## Lab 3

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## Part 1: Common-Collector (CC) Amplifier/Emitter Follower

Q1.

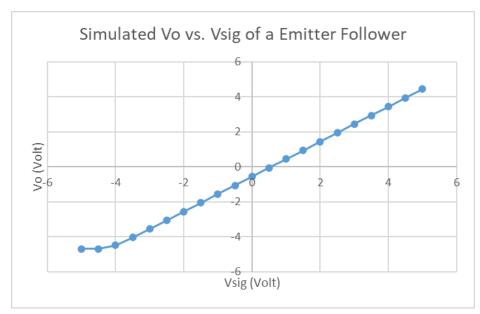


Figure 1:  $V_o$  vs  $V_{sig}$  graph from simulation

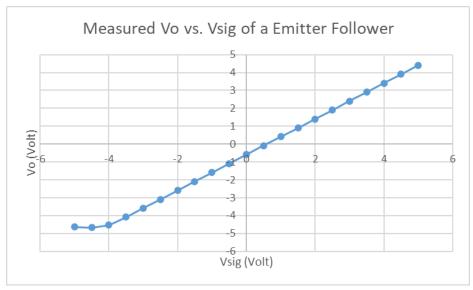


Figure 2:  $V_o$  vs  $V_{sig}$  graph from AD2 measurements

- (1) The  $V_o$  vs  $V_{sig}$  characteristics of the simulated and measured data were almost identical. They both have an upward trend. As  $V_{sig}$  increases,  $V_o$  increases linearly. This makes sense because  $V_{sig}$  is voltage at the base and  $V_o$  is voltage at the emitter, so the voltage difference  $V_{sig}$   $V_o$  must equal  $V_{BE,on}$ . As  $V_{sig}$  increases,  $V_o$  must increase to stay in the active region. This is the characteristic of an emitter follower.
- (2) Based on the simulation data, we can see that  $I_{E2}$  starts to be constant at -0.185mA when  $V_{sig} >$  -2.5V. This is also where the voltage difference  $V_{sig}$   $V_o$  equal  $V_{BE,on}$  of the transistor, which is 0.553V. So for the simulation, the range for  $V_{sig}$  is -2.5V <  $V_{sig}$  < 5V,

and the range for  $V_o$  is -3.053V <  $V_o$  < 4.447V. Based on the measured data, we can see that  $V_{BE,on}$  of the transistor is equal to 0.594V, and  $V_{sig}$  -  $V_o$  is equal to 0.594V when  $V_{sig}$  > -2.5V. So the range for  $V_{sig}$  is -2.5V <  $V_{sig}$  < 5V, and the range for  $V_o$  is -3.096V <  $V_o$  < 4.406V.

For both simulation and measurement, It should be noted that  $V_{\text{BC}} = V_{\text{sig}}$  - 5V should be less than  $V_{\text{BC,on}}$  to stay in the active region, so the actual maximum for  $V_{\text{sig}}$  is 5V +  $V_{\text{BC,on}}$ , and the actual maximum for  $V_{\text{o}}$  is  $V_{\text{sig}}$  -  $V_{\text{BE,on}}$  = 5V +  $V_{\text{BC,on}}$  -  $V_{\text{BE,on}}$ .

(3) For the simulation,  $V_{sig} = 0.553V$  gives  $V_o \approx 0V$ . For the measurement,  $V_{sig} = 0.594V$  gives  $V_o \approx 0V$ .

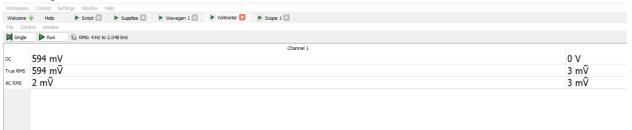


Figure 3:  $V_{sig}$  value when  $V_o = 0$ 

Q2.

The simulated  $A_{vo}$  at low frequency (100 Hz) is 0 dB with a phase of -8.47e-5 degrees. The measured  $A_{vo}$  at 100 Hz is 0.6 dB with a phase of 9.8 degrees.

1	Frequency	M(V(Vo))	P(V(Vo))	Av = 20*log( Vo /1mV)
2	Hz	Volts	Degrees	dB
3	100	0.001	-8.47E-05	0.00

Figure 4: Simulated numbers from PSpice

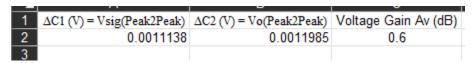


Figure 5: Measured numbers from AD2

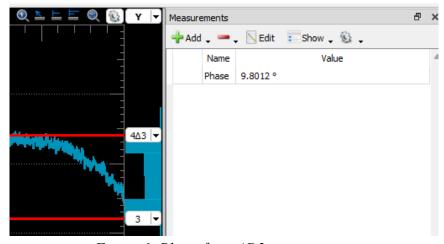
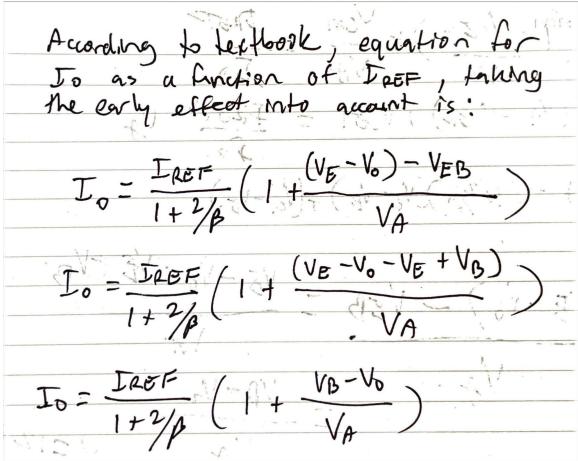


Figure 6: Phase from AD2 measurement

## Part 2: Differential Amplifier with Current Mirror (CM) Load

Q3.

(1) Expression for  $I_o$  as a function of  $I_{REF}$ :



(2) When  $I_{REF}$  is 0.1 mA,  $I_o$  is 0.104 mA. The ratio  $I_o/I_{REF}$  is 1.04. When  $I_{REF}$  is 1 mA,  $I_o$  is 0.975 mA. The ratio  $I_o/I_{REF}$  is 0.975.

4	Α	В	С	D	E	F
1	IREF	lo	Vin	Vo	VEC(Q1) = VEB(Q1)	VEC(Q2)
2	Amps	Amps	Volts	Volts	Volts	Volts
3	0.0001	0.000104	4.423166	-3.961	0.58	8.96

Figure 7: Simulation data from Step 2.2 when  $I_{REF}$  is 0.1mA

	Α	В	С	D	E	F
1	IREF	lo	Vin	Vo	VEC(Q1) = VEB(Q1)	VEC(Q2)
93	0.001	0.000975	4.341335	4.746068	0.66	0.25
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Figure 8: Simulation data from Step 2.2 when  $I_{REF}$  is 1mA

(3) From the simulation data, we can see that as  $I_{REF}$  and  $I_o$  increases, the ratio  $I_o/I_{REF}$  gets smaller. This makes sense because as  $I_o$  and  $I_{REF}$  increases,  $V_o$  increases, and according to the theoretical equation, as  $V_o$  increases  $I_o$  decreases. Based on data from lab 1, the

PNP-BJT 2N3906 has the characteristics  $\beta$  = 123 and  $V_A$  = 143V. Using these values for  $I_{REF}$  = 0.1mA ( $V_o$  = -3.961V,  $V_B$  =  $V_{in}$  = 4.423166V), the theoretical value of  $I_o$  = 0.1042mA, and for  $I_{REF}$  = 1mA ( $V_o$  = 4.746V,  $V_B$  =  $V_{in}$  = 4.341335V), the theoretical value of  $I_o$  = 0.981mA. These values are almost identical to the simulated results.

Q4.

(1) Based on the simulation data,  $R_{in}$  looking from  $V_{in}$  toward the collector of Q1 is 389.12 ohms, and current gain  $A_i$  is 1.04 A/A.

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1	A	В	C	D	E	F	G
1	Frequency	M(V(Vin))	P(V(Vin))	M(I(V2))	P(I(V2))	R11 = h11 = v1/i1@v2=0 (Ohm)	Ai = h21 = i2/i1@v2=0 (A/A)
2	Hz	Volts	Degrees	Amps	Degrees	Ohm	A/A
3	100	0.000389118	-0.000369428	1.04E-06	179.9995855	389.12	1.04
4	110	0.000389118	-0.000406371	1.04E-06	179.9995443	389.12	1.04
5	120	0.000389118	-0.000443313	1.04E-06	179.9995031	389.12	1.04
6	130	0.000389118	-0.000480256	1.04E-06	179.9994619	389.12	1.04
7	140	0.000389118	-0.000517199	1.04E-06	179.9994208	389.12	1.04
8	150	0.000389118	-0.000554142	1.04E-06	179.9993796	389.12	1.04
9	160	0.000389118	-0.000591084	1.04E-06	179.9993384	389.12	1.04
10	170	0.000389118	-0.000628027	1.04E-06	179.9992972	389.12	1.04
11	180	0.000389118	-0.00066497	1.04E-06	179.999256	389.12	1.04
12	190	0.000389118	-0.000701913	1.04E-06	179.9992148	389.12	1.04
13	200	0.000389118	-0.000738856	1.04E-06	179.9991736	389.12	1.04
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Figure 9: Measurements from Step 2.5

(2) Based on simulation data, output impedance R<sub>o</sub> looking into collector of Q2 is 1.58e+6 ohms or 1.58 Mohms.

4	A	В	C	D	E	F	G	н
1	Frequency	M(V(Vin))	P(V(Vin))	M(I(V2))	P(I(V2))	h12 = v1/v2@i1=0	h22 = i2/v2@i1=0	Ro = 1/(h22 - 1/RL)
2	Hz	Volts	Degrees	Amps	Degrees	V/V	S	Ohm
3	100	7.05E-13	89.99031688	1.01E-10	179.9999973	7.05E-07	1.01E-04	1.58E+06
4	110	7.75E-13	89.99112589	1.01E-10	179.9999973	7.75E-07	1.01E-04	1.58E+06
5	120	8.46E-13	89.99179385	1.01E-10	179.9999973	8.46E-07	1.01E-04	1.58E+06
6	130	9.16E-13	89.99235331	1.01E-10	179.9999973	9.16E-07	1.01E-04	1.58E+06
7	140	9.87E-13	89.99282752	1.01E-10	179.9999973	9.87E-07	1.01E-04	1.58E+06
8	150	1.06E-12	89.99323354	1.01E-10	179.9999973	1.06E-06	1.01E-04	1.58E+06
9	160	1.13E-12	89.99358414	1.01E-10	179.9999973	1.13E-06	1.01E-04	1.58E+06
10	170	1.20E-12	89.99388912	1.01E-10	179.9999973	1.20E-06	1.01E-04	1.58E+06
11	180	1.27E-12	89.99415606	1.01E-10	179.9999973	1.27E-06	1.01E-04	1.58E+06
12	190	1.34E-12	89.99439098	1.01E-10	179.9999973	1.34E-06	1.01E-04	1.58E+06
13	200	1.41E-12	89.99459868	1.01E-10	179.9999973	1.41E-06	1.01E-04	1.58E+06
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Figure 10: Measurements from Step 2.6

(3) Linear two-port network with h-parameters: (Note: h12 is neglected)

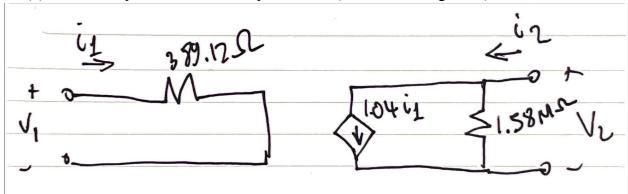


Figure 11: Linear two-port network for the current mirror

## Part 3: Differential Amplifier with a Current Mirror (CM) Load

Q5.

- (1) The voltage gain  $A_d$  for the differential mode signal is 70.07 dB.
- (2) Yes, there was a mismatch in Step 3.6. I applied an offset voltage of 0.01025V to  $V_2$ .
- (3) The measured gain was 56.8 dB, which is significantly lower than the simulated gain of 70.07 dB.

	Α	В	С	D
1	Frequency	M(V(Vo))	P(V(Vo))	Ad = 20*log( Vo /2mV)
2	Hz	Volts	Degrees	dB
3	100	6.37860726	-0.51804511	70.07

Figure 12: Simulated data at 100 Hz from Step 3.2

4	A	В	
1	$\Delta$ C1 (V) = Vsig(Peak2Peak)	$\Delta C2 (V) = Vo(Peak2Peak)$	Differential Voltage Gain Avd of a Single-Stage Differential Amplifier (dB)
2	1.2607E-03	1.7503	56.8
3			

Figure 13: Measured gain at 100 Hz

Q6. The upper 3-dB frequency  $f_{\rm H}$  is approximately 11,207 Hz.

<b>4</b>	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	
1	Frequency	M(V(Vo))	P(V(Vo))	Ad = 20*log( Vo /2mV)	GBW	GBW in Step 3.6, Lab 2		
207	TU466.5TZ1T	4.633467232	-43.4ZbTT14b	67.30				
208	10707.86705	4.583242224	-44.07880272	67.20				
209	10954.78757	4.53238499	-44.73198261	67.11				
210	11207.40201	4.48092768	-45.38531231	67.01				
211	11465.84168	4.428903778	-46.0384526	66.91				
212	11730.24089	4.376348003	-46.69106476	66.80				
213	12000.73707	4.323296193	-47.34281148	66.70				
214	12277.47083	4.269785188	-47.99335769	66.59				
215	12560.58599	4.215852707	-48.64237144	66.48				
216	12850.22971	4.161537222	-49.28952472	66.36				
217	13146.55253	4.106877827	-49.93449428	66.25				
210	12440 70040	4 054044400	EN E7606920	CC 12				

Figure 14: Row 210 shows the upper 3-dB frequency

O7.

The upper 3-dB frequency of this differential amplifier with a current mirror load is 11.2 kHz while the upper 3-dB frequency of a differential amplifier with a resistive load is 8.33 MHz, which is much higher than that of the differential amplifier with a current mirror load. This is because the current mirror load uses transistors as the load, which means at high frequencies, the load's functionality is affected by the internal capacitive effects while resistive loads are not affected at high frequencies.

O8.

The GBW of the differential amplifiers with the current mirror load and resistive load are 3.57 \* 10^7 Hz and 7.95 \* 10^7 Hz, respectively.

E	F
) GBW	GBW in Step 3.6, Lab 2
Hz	Hz
3.57E+07	7.95E+07

Figure 15: Gain bandwidth product calculated from simulated data on Excel