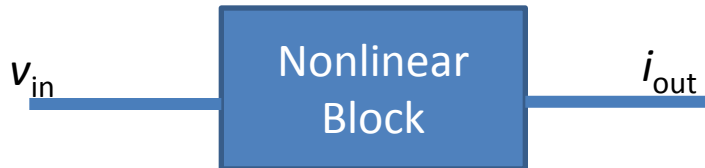


Today's Agenda (Nov. 8)

- Reviews and Quick Questions
- Distortion with Feedback
- Sample Distortion Problems

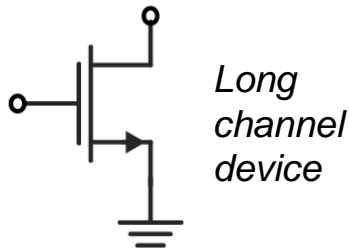
Important Distortion Matrices



$$i_{\text{out}} \text{ (or } v_{\text{out}}) = a_1 v_{\text{in}} + a_2 v_{\text{in}}^2 + a_3 v_{\text{in}}^3 + \dots$$

Very Important: v_{in} and i_{out} are small-signal !!!

Extract the correct power series for distortion analysis



Long
channel
device

$$I_d = 0.5 \mu_n C_{\text{ox}} W/L (V_{\text{gs}} - V_{\text{th}})^2$$

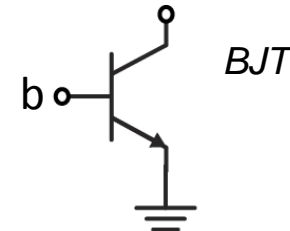
$$= 0.5 \mu_n C_{\text{ox}} W/L V_{\text{th}}^2 - \mu_n C_{\text{ox}} W/L V_{\text{th}} V_{\text{gs}} + 0.5 \mu_n C_{\text{ox}} W/L V_{\text{gs}}^2$$



$$i_d = 0.5 \mu_n C_{\text{ox}} W/L (V_{\text{gs0}} - V_{\text{th}} + v_{\text{in}})^2 =$$

$$0.5 \mu_n C_{\text{ox}} W/L (V_{\text{gs0}} - V_{\text{th}})^2 + \mu_n C_{\text{ox}} W/L (V_{\text{gs0}} - V_{\text{th}}) v_{\text{in}} + 0.5 \mu_n C_{\text{ox}} W/L v_{\text{in}}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow i_{\text{out}} = \mu_n C_{\text{ox}} W/L (V_{\text{gs0}} - V_{\text{th}}) v_{\text{in}} + 0.5 \mu_n C_{\text{ox}} W/L v_{\text{in}}^2$$



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$$I_c \approx I_{s0} \exp(V_b/V_T)$$

$$= I_{s0} + I_{s0}/V_T V_b + I_{s0}/2V_T^2 V_b^2 + I_{s0}/6V_T^3 V_b^3 + \dots$$



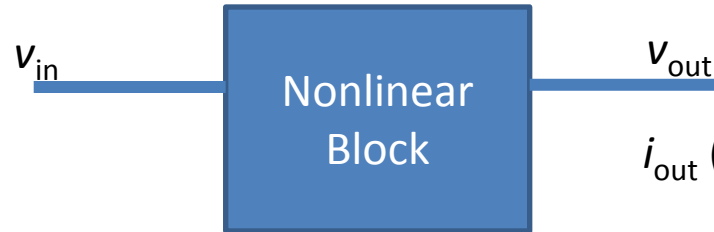
$$i_c \approx I_{s0} \exp[(V_b + v_{\text{in}})/V_T] = I_{c0} \exp(v_{\text{in}}/V_T)$$

$$= I_{c0}/V_T v_{\text{in}} + I_{c0}/(2V_T^2) v_{\text{in}}^2 + I_{c0}/(6V_T^3) v_{\text{in}}^3 + \dots$$

$$I_{c0} = I_{s0} \exp(V_b/V_T)$$



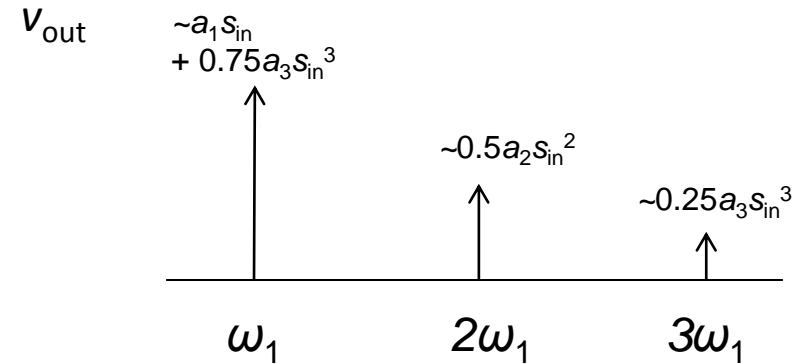
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$$i_{\text{out}} \text{ (or } v_{\text{out}}) = a_1 v_{\text{in}} + a_2 v_{\text{in}}^2 + a_3 v_{\text{in}}^3 + \dots$$

Single-Tone Excitation: $v_{\text{in}} = s_{\text{in}} \cos(\omega_1 t)$

- Gain = $a_1 + (3a_3/4) \times s_{\text{in}}^2$
- HD2 = $a_2/(2a_1) \times s_{\text{in}}$
- HD3 = $a_3/(4a_1) \times s_{\text{in}}^2$
- $\text{IP}_{1\text{dB}}$: $s_{\text{in}} = \sqrt{|4a_1|/|3a_3| \times 0.11}$

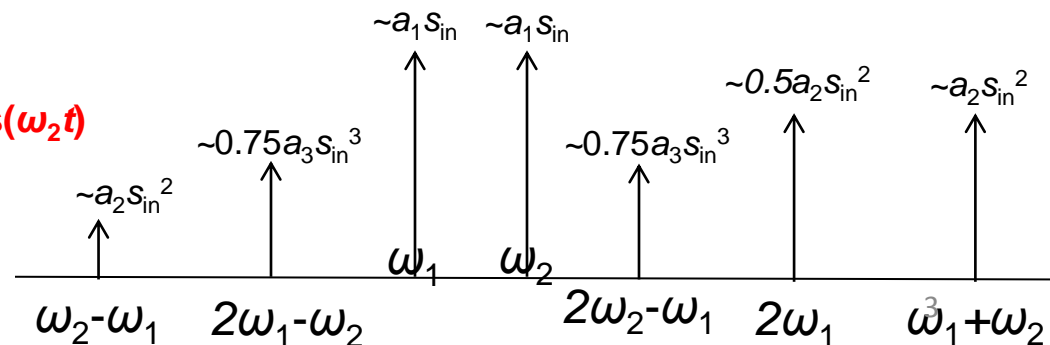


Two-Tone Characterization: $v_{\text{in}} = s_{\text{in}} \cos(\omega_1 t) + s_{\text{in}} \cos(\omega_2 t)$

- IM2 = $a_2/a_1 \times s_{\text{in}}$
- IIP2 = $s_{\text{in}} = a_1/a_2$
- IM3 = $3a_3/(4a_1) \times s_{\text{in}}^2$
- IIP3 = $s_{\text{in}} = \sqrt{|4a_1/3a_3|}$

Small sig. with blocker: $v_{\text{in}} = s_{\text{in}} \cos(\omega_1 t) + s_b \cos(\omega_2 t)$

- Gain = $a_1 (1 + (3a_3/2a_1) s_b^2)$



Quick Questions

IIP2 = 5 dBm, Input@ ω_1 = 0 dBm, Input@ ω_2 = -10 dBm, What is the output IM2?

Assume x = OIP2

(Output 2nd intermodulation)/(output ω_1) = $(x-5-15) - (x-5) = -15$ dBc

(Output 2nd intermodulation)/(output ω_2) = $(x-5-15) - (x-15) = -5$ dBc

Is the upper-band IIP2 always the same to the lower-band IIP2?

No! Maybe there is a output filter!

IIP3 = 5 dBm, Input@ ω_1 = 4 dBm, Input@ ω_2 = 0 dBm, What is the output IM3?

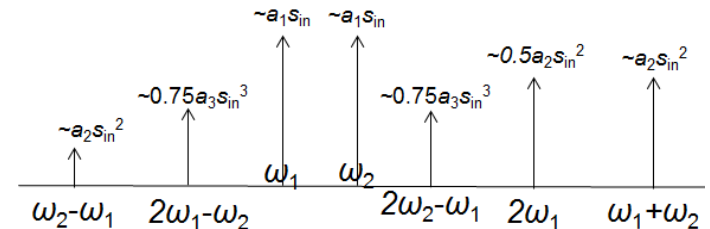
Assume x = OIP3

(Output $2\omega_2 - \omega_1$)/(output ω_1) = $(x-5*2-1) - (x-1) = -10$ dBc

(Output $2\omega_2 - \omega_1$)/(output ω_2) = $(x-5*2-1) - (x-5) = -6$ dBc

(Output $2\omega_1 - \omega_2$)/(output ω_1) = $(x-1*2-5) - (x-1) = -6$ dBc

(Output $2\omega_1 - \omega_2$)/(output ω_2) = $(x-1*2-5) - (x-5) = -2$ dBc



With $\omega_1 \approx \omega_2$, IIP3 = 10 dBm. (i) What is the IP_{1dB} ?

(ii) What is the HD3 with input@ ω_1 of 5 dBm and 20-dB filter loss to $3\omega_1$?

(i) $IIP3 = \sqrt{|4a_1/3a_3|}$, $s_{in,P1dB} = \sqrt{|4a_1/3a_3| \times 0.11} \Rightarrow IIP3 = IP_{1dB} + 9.5$ dB

(ii) $IIP3 = \sqrt{|4a_1/3a_3|}$ in power is 10 dBm $\Rightarrow 0.01(W) = |4a_1/3a_3|/(2 \times 50) \Rightarrow |4a_1/3a_3| = 1$

Input power is 5 dBm (3.2 mW) $\Rightarrow s_{in}^2 = 0.32$

HD3 before filter = $a_3/(4a_1) \times s_{in}^2 = 0.33 \times 0.32 = 0.106 = -19.5$ dB

HD3 = -19.5 dB - 20 dB (filter) = -39.5 dB

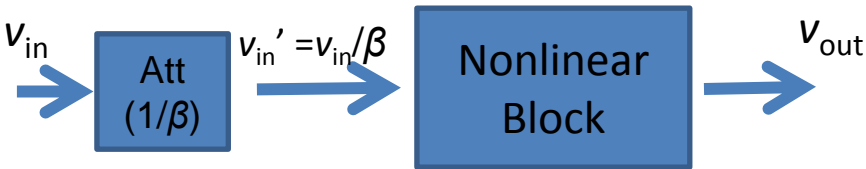
Distortion With Attenuator

Case A



$$v_{out} = a_1 v_{in} + a_2 v_{in}^2 + a_3 v_{in}^3 + \dots$$

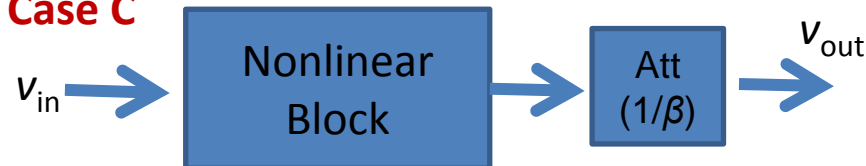
Case B



$$v_{out} = a_1 v_{in}' + a_2 v_{in}'^2 + a_3 v_{in}'^3 + \dots$$

$$v_{out} = (a_1/\beta) v_{in} + (a_2/\beta^2) v_{in}^2 + (a_3/\beta^3) v_{in}^3 + \dots$$

Case C

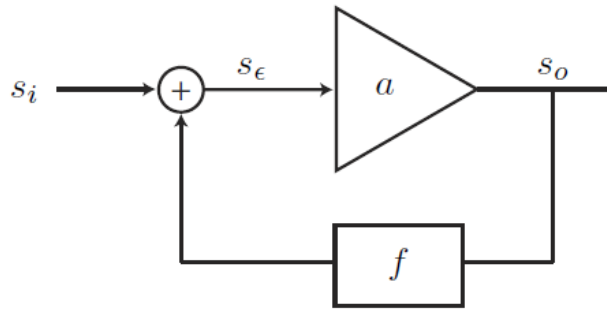


$$v_{out} = (a_1/\beta) v_{in} + (a_2/\beta) v_{in}^2 + (a_3/\beta) v_{in}^3 + \dots$$

$$v_{in} = s_{in} \cos(\omega_1 t)$$

	Case A	Case B	Case C
Same Input Level			
Output Sig.	$a_1 s_{in}$	$(a_1/\beta) \times s_{in}$	$(a_1/\beta) \times s_{in}$
Output 2nd	$(a_2/2) \times s_{in}^2$	$(a_2/2\beta^2) \times s_{in}^2$	$(a_2/2\beta) \times s_{in}^2$
HD2	$a_2/(2a_1) \times s_{in}$	$a_2/(2a_1\beta) \times s_{in}$	$a_2/(2a_1) \times s_{in}$
Generate the Same Output Level			
Output Sig.	$a_1 s_{in}$	$(a_1/\beta) \times \beta s_{in}$	$(a_1/\beta) \times \beta s_{in}$
Output 2nd	$(a_2/2) \times s_{in}^2$	$(a_2/2\beta^2) \times \beta^2 s_{in}^2$	$(a_2/2\beta) \times \beta^2 s_{in}^2$
HD2	$a_2/(2a_1) \times s_{in}$	$a_2/(2a_1) \times s_{in}$	$a_2/(2a_1) \times \beta s_{in}$

Put input attenuator => linearity does not improve
 Put output attenuator => linearity degrades



- We usually implement the feedback with a passive network
- Assume that the only distortion is in the forward path a

$$s_o = a_1 s_\epsilon + a_2 s_\epsilon^2 + a_3 s_\epsilon^3 + \dots$$

$$s_\epsilon = s_i - f s_o$$

$$s_o = a_1(s_i - f s_o) + a_2(s_i - f s_o)^2 + a_3(s_i - f s_o)^3 + \dots$$

$$s_o = b_1 s_i + b_2 s_i^2 + b_3 s_i^3 + \dots$$

$$b_1 = \frac{a_1}{1 + a_1 f} = \frac{a_1}{1 + T}$$

$$b_2 = \frac{a_2}{(1 + T)^3}$$

$$b_3 = \frac{a_3(1 + a_1 f) - 2a_2^2 f}{(1 + a_1 f)^5}$$

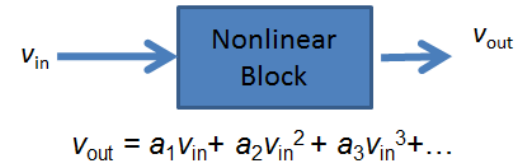
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Single-Tone Excitation: $v_{in} = s_{in} \cos(\omega_1 t)$

- Gain = a_1
- HD2 = $a_2/(2a_1) \times s_{in}$
- HD3 = $a_3/(4a_1) \times s_{in}^2$
- IP_{1dB} : $s_{in} = \sqrt{(|4a_1|/|3a_3| \times 0.11)}$



Two-Tone Excitation: $v_{in} = \mathbf{s}_{in} \cos(\omega_1 t) + \mathbf{s}_{in} \cos(\omega_2 t)$

- IM2 = $a_2/a_1 \times s_{in}$
- IIP2 = $s_{in} = a_1/a_2$
- IM3 = $3a_3/(4a_1) \times s_{in}^2$
- IIP3 = $s_{in} = \sqrt{(|4a_1|/|3a_3|)}$

A small sig. with blocker: $v_{in} = s_{in} \cos(\omega_1 t) + s_b \cos(\omega_2 t)$

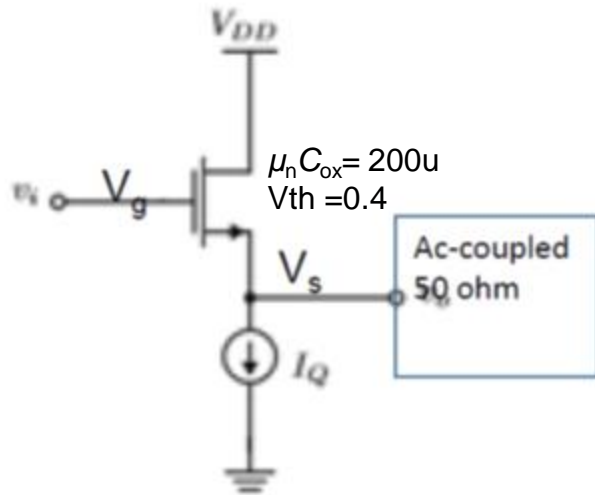
$$\text{Gain} = a_1 (1 + (3a_3/2a_1) \mathbf{s}_b^2)$$

First notice the Gain degrades by a factor of $(1+T)$

With FB	Same input to the no-feedback case (input = s_{in})	Same output to the no-feedback case (input = $(1+T)s_{in}$)
HD2	$b_2/(2b_1) \times s_{in} = (a_2/2a_1) \times s_{in}/(1+T)^2$	$(a_2/2a_1) \times s_{in}/(1+T)$
IM2	$a_2/a_1 \times s_{in}/(1+T)^2$	$(a_2/a_1) \times s_{in}/(1+T)$
HD3	$b_3/(4b_1) \times s_{in}^2 = [(a_3/4a_1)/(1+T)^3 - (a_2^2 f)/(2a_1(1+T)^4)] \times s_{in}^2$	$[(a_3/4a_1)/(1+T) - (a_2^2 f)/(2a_1(1+T)^2)] \times s_{in}^2$
IM3	$3b_3/(4b_1) \times s_{in}^2$	$3b_3/(4b_1) \times s_{in}^2 (1+T)^2$

- In most cases, linearity can be truly improved!
- Feedback might be used to make $b_3 = 0$
- If $a_3 = 0$ and $a_2 \neq 0$ (e.g. long-channel NMOS), then feedback creates $b_3 \neq 0$

- (i) Find the output referred OIP_3 of the amplifier assuming that it drives a load $R_L = 50\Omega$ (AC coupled). Bias the amplifier in order to drive a voltage swing of 100mV onto the load with an IM_3 better than -50 dBc, when input is 0.12V



$$IM_3 = -50 \text{ dBc} @ V_{out} = 0.1V$$

$$\Rightarrow OIP_3 = 0.1V + 25 \text{ dB} = 1.78V$$

Without feedback (use the correct power series in page 2)

$$i_{out} = \mu_n C_{ox} W/L * (V_{gs0} - V_{th}) v_{in} + 0.5 \mu_n C_{ox} W/L * v_{in}^2$$

Replace v_{in} by $v_{in} - i_{out} 50$ in the above power series

New power series with FB

$$\text{Use } I_{dc} = 0.5 \mu_n C_{ox} W/L * (V_{gs0} - V_{th})^2$$

$$i_{out} = \frac{b_1 \sqrt{\frac{2I_{dc} \mu_n C_{ox} W}{L}}}{1 + 50 \sqrt{\frac{2I_{dc} \mu_n C_{ox} W}{L}}} v_{in,new} + ? v_{in,new}^2 + \frac{b_3 \frac{-2(0.5 \times \mu_n C_{ox} W/L)^2 \times 50}{[1 + 50 \sqrt{\frac{2I_{dc} \mu_n C_{ox} W}{L}}]^5}}{[1 + 50 \sqrt{\frac{2I_{dc} \mu_n C_{ox} W}{L}}]^5} v_{in,new}^3$$

With a two-tone input

$$b_1 s_{in} = 0.1$$

$$3b_3/(4b_1) \times s_{in}^2 = 0.1 * 0.0032$$

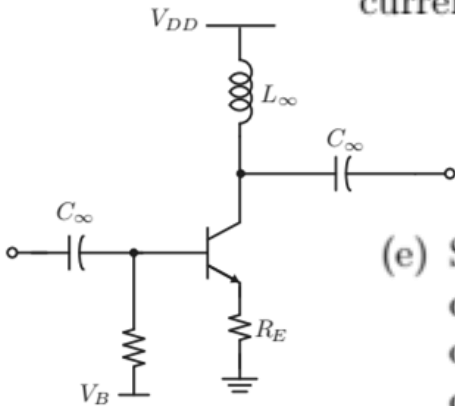
$$s_{in} = 0.12 \rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow I_{dc} = 4.2 \text{ mA}, W/L = 6150$$

BJT Emitter Degeneration

16'Spring
Final

2. (25 points) Consider the following power amplifier. The power transistor has a $V_{CE,sat} = 0.3V$ and a degeneration resistance of $R_E = 3\Omega$ and is biased at a quiescent current $I_Q = 1A$. The power supply voltage is 20V.



- (e) Suppose the signal is a multi-carrier OFDM signal. We wish to limit the largest component of the distortion to be 10 dB down from the sub-carrier signal (think of the signal as a multi-tone input and consider the strongest distortion component only). Specify the required back-off to meet this specification.

Assume IM3 is the strongest distortion: IM3 = -10 dBc

Without feedback and assume $I_Q = 1A$
(use the correct power series in page 2)

$$i_{out} = I_{c0}/V_T * v_{in} + I_{c0}/(2V_T^2) * v_{in}^2 + I_{c0}/(6V_T^3) * v_{in}^3 + \dots$$

$$v_{in,new} = v_{in} - i_{out} R_E$$

$$(1+T) = (1 + R_E I_{c0}/V_T) ; f = R_E = 3 ; I_{c0} = 1A ; I_{c0}/V_T = 40 ; V_T = 0.025$$

$$b_1 = (I_{c0}/V_T)/(1 + R_E I_{c0}/V_T) = 0.33$$

$$b_3 = (I_{c0}/6V_T^3)/(1 + R_E I_{c0}/V_T)^4 - 2[I_{c0}^2/(4V_T^4)] * R_E / (1 + R_E I_{c0}/V_T)^5 = 5e-5 - 14.8e-5 = -9.8e-5$$

$$IIP3 = \sqrt{|4b_1|/|3b_3|} = 67V ; \text{Input for -10-dB IM3} \Rightarrow 5\text{-dB back off} \Rightarrow \text{Input} = 21V$$