

# VE311 RC1

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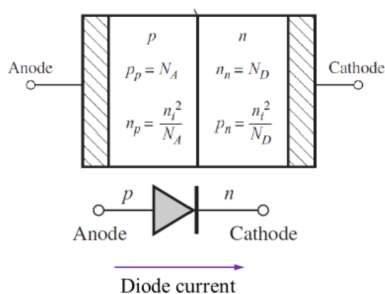


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- 1 Diode and Diode Circuit
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# PN Junction Diode



$N_A, N_D$ : doping densities  
 $n_i$ : intrinsic carrier  
concentration

hole in p:

$$p_p = N_A \quad (1)$$

electron in p:

$$n_p = \frac{n_i^2}{N_A} \quad (2)$$

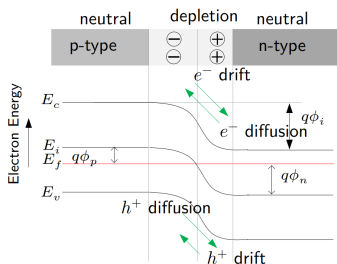
electron in n:

$$n_n = N_D \quad (3)$$

hole in n:

$$p_n = \frac{n_i^2}{N_D} \quad (4)$$

# PN Junction Diode



built-in potential:

$$V_{bi} = V_T \ln\left(\frac{N_A N_D}{n_i^2}\right) \quad (5)$$

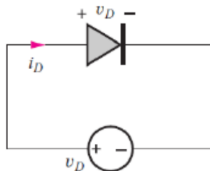
- ▶ Some electrons/holes in the **neutral regions** with sufficient energy continuously diffuse to the opposite sides. → Formation of diffusion
- ▶ Some electrons/holes wandering into the in the **depletion region** get swept by the built-in electric field. → Formation of drift current
- ▶ Diffusion current cancels drift current. **No net current flowing.**

- ▶ **Forward Bias:** Diode is on. Current flows from p to n.
- ▶ **Reverse Bias:** Diode is off. Current doesn't flow, but saturation current exists.

$$I_D = I_S \left( e^{\frac{qV_D}{kT}} - 1 \right) = I_S \left( e^{\frac{V_D}{V_T}} - 1 \right) \quad (6)$$

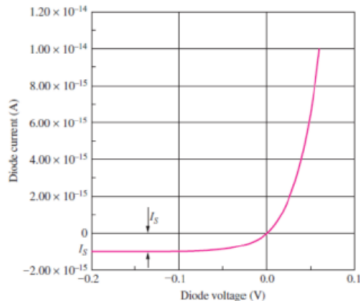
## Note:

- ▶  $k$  = Boltzmann's constant,  $8.62 \times 10^{-5}$  eV/K
- ▶  $\frac{kT}{q} = 0.026(0.025875)$  V at 300K when calculation.



# IV Characteristics of Diode

- ▶ **Non-linear** behavior
- ▶ turn-on voltage  $> V_{bi}$



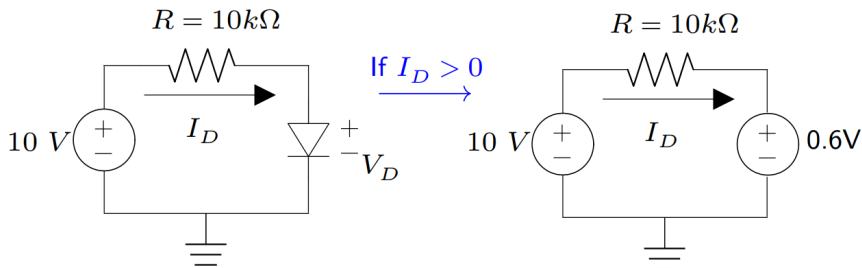
Non-linear, or rectifying, behavior

# Exercise 1

(23FA Mid/1) Choose one description that is not right.

- (1) At equilibrium, a PN diode current is zero.
- (2) Under a forward bias, a PN diode current increases exponentially.
- (3) Under a forward bias, a PN diode current is from P to N.
- (4) Under a moderate reverse bias (before the breakdown), a PN diode current is almost zero.
- (5) A PN diode shows a rectifying behavior, i.e. nonlinear I-V curve, because a drift current is dominant over a diffusion current under a forward bias.

- ▶ **Ideal Diode Model:** **Short circuit** for Forward Bias and **Open Circuit** for Reverse Bias
- ▶ **Constant Voltage Drop Model:** **Replace Diode with a voltage source** for Forward Bias and **Open Circuit** for Reverse Bias.

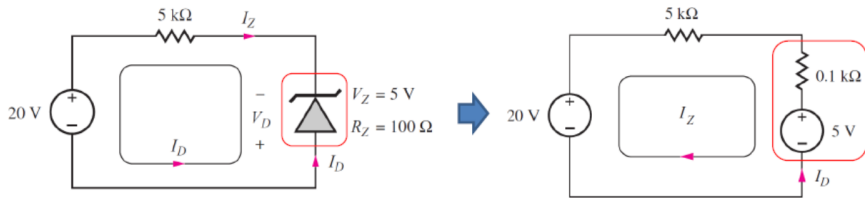




1. **Identify** the model for simplification.
2. **Assume** the voltage applied on the diode
3. **Transform** the diode to source and resistor according to the assumption.
4. **Validate** that the assumption is correct or not.

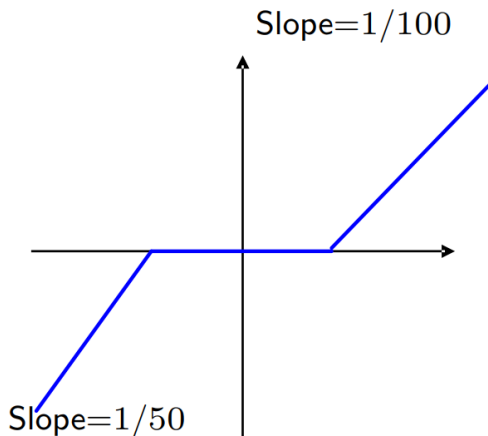
# Diodes (Zener) in Breakdown Region

**Method:** Replace the Diode with a "Reverse" voltage source and a resistance.



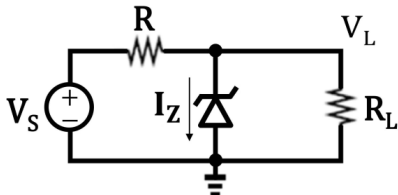
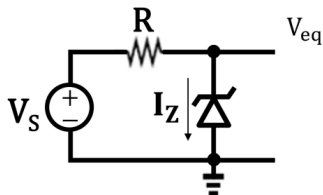
# IV Characteristics

When  $V_D < V_{break}$ , voltage source is  $V_{break}$ , slope is  $\frac{1}{R_Z}$ .



# Voltage Regulator

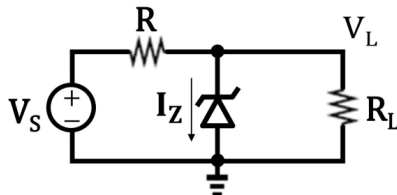
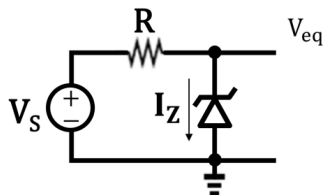
Assume the zener diode operates in reverse breakdown region.



$$V_{eq} = V_{break} + \frac{V_S - V_{break}}{R + R_Z} R_Z \quad (7)$$

$$V_L = V_{eq} \frac{R_L}{(R \parallel R_Z) + R_L} \quad (8)$$

# Voltage Regulator



$$\text{Line Regulation} = \frac{dV_L}{dV_S} = \frac{R_Z}{R + R_Z} (R_L = \infty) \quad (9)$$

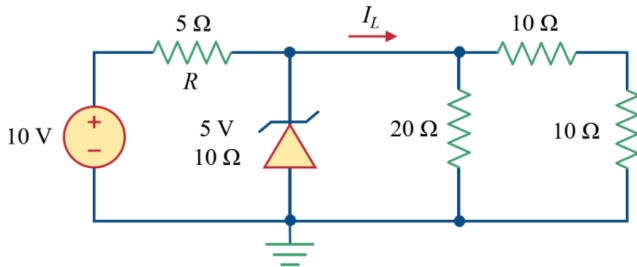
$$\text{Load Regulation} = \frac{dV_L}{dI_L} = R \parallel R_Z \quad (10)$$

## Exercise 2

(23FA Mid/6) For the diode circuit below:

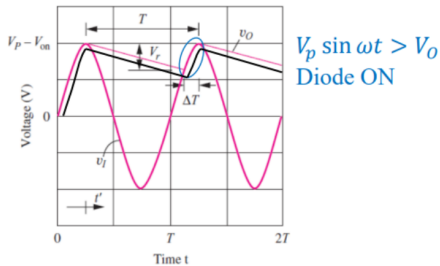
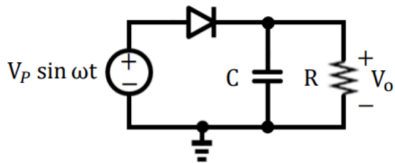
(1) Calculate the value  $I_L$ . [10 points]

(2) Find the maximum value of  $R$  required for reverse breakdown to happen. [5 points]



# Half-Wave Rectifier

The basic rectifier circuit converts an AC voltage to a pulsating DC voltage.



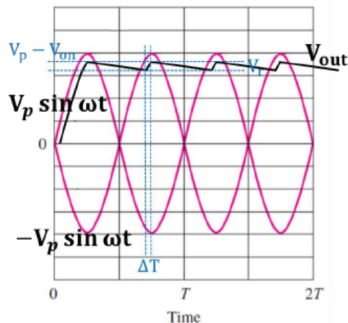
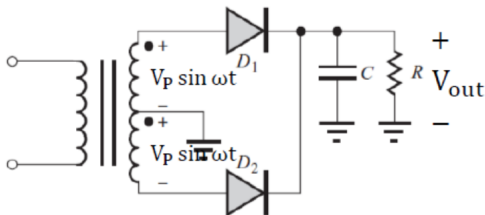
## CTPP Time!

1.  $V_{dc} = V_s - V_{on}$
2.  $I_{dc} = \frac{V_{dc}}{R}$
3. Ripple Voltage:  $V_r = V_{dc}(1 - e^{\frac{T-\Delta T}{RC}}) \approx V_{dc} \frac{T}{RC}$
4. Conduction Angle:  $\theta_c = \sqrt{\frac{2V_r}{V_s}}$
5. Conduction Interval:  $\Delta T = \frac{\theta_c}{\omega}$
6. Diode Current:  $I_{peak} = \frac{2I_{dc}T}{\Delta T}$
7. Surge Current:  $I_{surge} = C \frac{dV}{dt} = \omega CV_s(t=0)$
8. Peak Inverse Voltage (PIV):  $PIV = 2V_s - V_{on}$



# Full-Wave Rectifier

Full-wave rectifier circuits cut the capacitor discharge time in half and offer the advantage of requiring only one-half the filter capacitance to achieve a given ripple voltage



## CTPP Time!

Just replace  $T$  with  $\frac{T}{2}$  in the Half-Wave rectifier.

1.  $V_{dc} = V_s - V_{on}$

2.  $I_{dc} = \frac{V_{dc}}{R}$

3. Ripple Voltage:  $V_r = V_{dc}(1 - e^{\frac{T/2 - \Delta T}{RC}}) \approx V_{dc} \frac{T}{2RC}$

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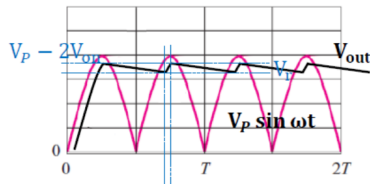
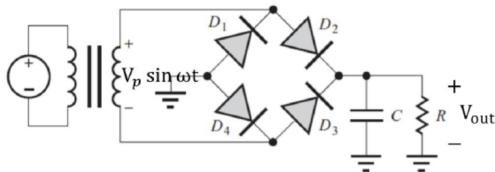
6. Diode Current:  $I_{peak} = \frac{I_{dc} T}{\Delta T}$

7. Surge Current:  $I_{surge} = C \frac{dV}{dt} = \omega C V_s (t = 0)$

8. Peak Inverse Voltage (PIV):  $PIV = 2V_s - V_{on}$

# Full-Wave Bridge Rectifier

- ▶ For  $v_i > 0$ ,  $D_2$  and  $D_4$  will be on and  $D_1$  and  $D_3$  will be off.
- ▶ For  $v_i < 0$ ,  $D_2$  and  $D_4$  will be off and  $D_1$  and  $D_3$  will be on.



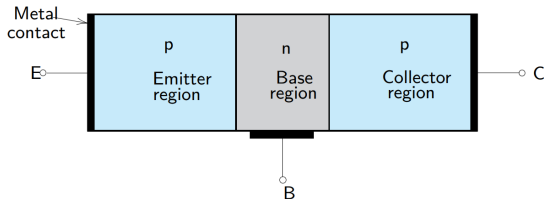
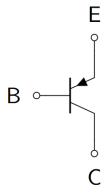
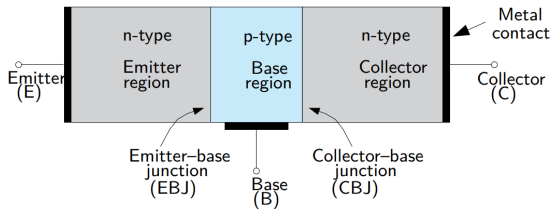
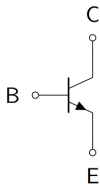
## CTPP Time!

Just replace  $V_{on}$  with  $2V_{on}$  in the Full-Wave rectifier and change PIV.

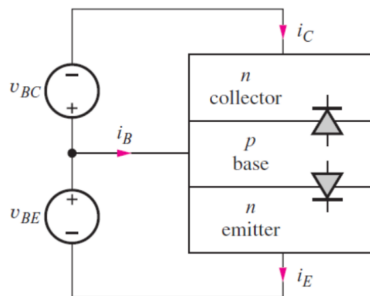
1.  $V_{dc} = V_s - 2V_{on}$
2.  $I_{dc} = \frac{V_{dc}}{R}$
3. Ripple Voltage:  $V_r = V_{dc}(1 - e^{\frac{T/2 - \Delta T}{RC}}) \approx V_{dc} \frac{T}{2RC}$
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# npn and pnp

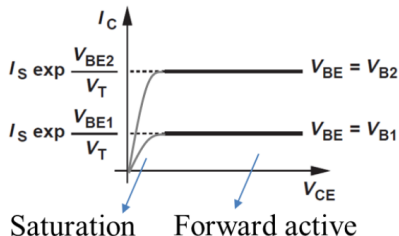


# Forward Active Mode



- ▶ EB diode is forward biased ( $V_{BE} > 0$  or  $V_{EB} < 0$ )
- ▶ BC diode is reversed biased ( $V_{BC} < 0$  or  $V_{CB} > 0$ )

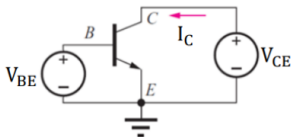
# Saturation v.s. Forward Active



- ▶  $V_{CE} < V_{BE}$ , then  $V_{CB} < 0$  or  $V_{BC} > 0$ , meaning that BC diode is forward biased. Both diodes are on, which is called as saturation.
- ▶  $V_{CE} > V_{BE}$ , then  $V_{CB} > 0$  or  $V_{BC} < 0$ , meaning that BC diode is reverse biased. → Forward Active



## Summary:



$V_{CE} \geq V_{BE}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Forward – Active

Ideal case

$$I_C = I_S \left( e^{\frac{qV_{BE}}{kT}} - 1 \right)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{I_C}{I_E} \cong 1$$

$$\beta = \frac{I_C}{I_B} = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha}$$



$$I_C = I_S \left( e^{\frac{qV_{BE}}{kT}} - 1 \right)$$

$$\alpha = \frac{I_C}{I_E} = 1$$

$$\beta = \frac{I_C}{I_B} = \infty$$

Don't forget this:  $I_E = I_C + I_B$

Early effect:  $V_A$  is called the Early voltage

$$I_C = I_S \left( e^{\frac{qV_{BE}}{kT}} - 1 \right) \left( 1 + \frac{V_{CE}}{V_A} \right) \quad (11)$$

or

$$I_C = I_S \left( e^{\frac{qV_{BE}}{kT}} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{V_{CE}}{V_A} \right) \quad (12)$$

$$V_{out} = V_{OUT} + v_{out}$$

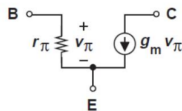
$V_{out}$ : DC+AC,  $V_{OUT}$ : DC,  $v_{out}$ : AC

It is important to bear in mind that small-signal analysis deals with only (small) changes in voltages and currents in a circuit around their quiescent values. Thus, all constant sources, i.e., **voltage and current sources that do not vary with time (independent sources)**, must be set to zero for small-signal analysis.

How to get a small signal circuit:

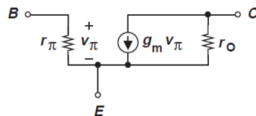
- ▶ DC voltage source: short circuit
- ▶ DC current source: open circuit
- ▶ Capacitor: short circuit (short in AC, open in DC)

Small-Signal  
Model



Without Early Effect

Modified Small-Signal  
Model

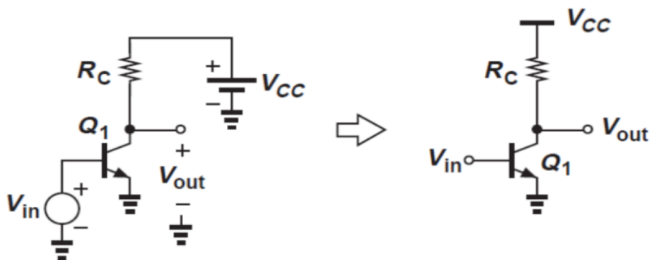


With Early Effect

$$r_\pi = \frac{dV_{BE}}{dI_B} = \frac{1}{\frac{dI_C}{\beta dV_{BE}}} = \frac{1}{\frac{g_m}{\beta}} = \frac{\beta}{g_m} \quad (13)$$

$$g_m = \frac{dI_C}{dV_{BE}} \cong \frac{I_C}{kT/q} \quad (14)$$

$$r_o = \frac{1}{\frac{dI_C}{dV_{CE}}} \cong \frac{V_A}{I_C} \quad (15)$$



## Attention:

- ▶  $V_{out}$  is not connected in the circuit! There is no current to it.
- ▶  $V_{in}$  is connected. There is current from it.

Tips: See  $V_{out}$  as a voltmeter,  $V_{in}$  as a voltage source.

How to calculate  $R_{out}$ ?

1. Draw small signal model.
2. Connect port with  $V_{in}$  to ground. Connect a test voltage  $v_t$  on port with  $V_{out}$ .
3. Derive  $i_t$ .
4. Calculate  $R_{out} = \frac{v_t}{i_t}$

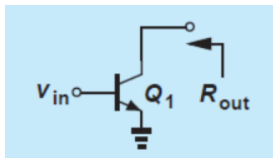
How to calculate  $R_{in}$ ?

1. Draw small signal model.
2. Connect a test voltage  $v_t$  on port with  $V_{in}$ . Do nothing on output port.
3. Derive  $i_t$ .
4. Calculate  $R_{in} = \frac{v_t}{i_t}$



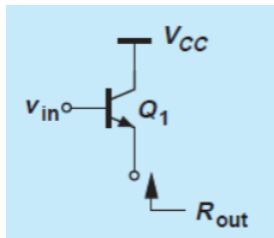
# Exercise 3

Assuming that the BJT operates in the forward active region, determine the impedance seen into the collector of Q1. Please **consider the Early effect**.



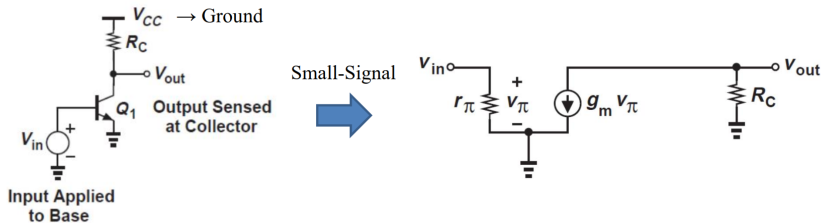
# Exercise 4

Assuming that the BJT operates in the forward active region, determine the impedance seen at the emitter. Please **neglect the Early effect** for simplicity.



- 1 Diode and Diode Circuit
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# CE Amplifier (Without Early Effect)



$$A_v = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = -g_m R_C \quad (16)$$

$$R_{in} = r_\pi = \frac{\beta}{g_m} = \frac{\beta V_T}{I_C} \quad (17)$$

$$R_{out} = R_C \quad (18)$$

Important properties of the CE stage:

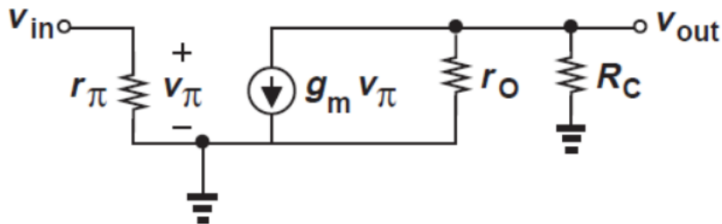
1. The small-signal gain is negative, i.e.  $V_{BE} \uparrow$  and  $I_C \uparrow$  lower  $V_{out}$ .
2. The voltage gain of the stage is limited by the supply voltage.

$$|A_v| = g_m R_C = \frac{I_C R_C}{V_T} \quad (19)$$

$I_C R_C$  indicates the voltage drops at the collector resistor  $R_C$ . Because  $I_C R_C < V_{CC}$ ,  $|A_v| < \frac{V_{CC}}{V_T}$ . Finally, as the BJT is in the active region, we can say that,  $|A_v| < \frac{V_{CC} - V_{BE}}{V_T}$ .

However, when  $R_C \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $|A_v| \rightarrow \infty$ . Contradiction!

# CE Amplifier (With Early Effect)



$$A_v = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = -g_m(R_C \parallel r_o) \quad (20)$$

$$R_{in} = r_\pi = \frac{\beta}{g_m} = \frac{\beta V_T}{I_C} \quad (21)$$

$$R_{out} = R_C \parallel r_o \quad (22)$$

# CE Amplifier (With Early Effect)

If  $R_C \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $A_v = -g_m r_O \rightarrow$ intrinsic gain

Because

$$g_m = \frac{I_C}{V_T} \quad (23)$$

and

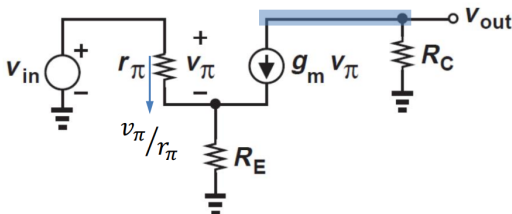
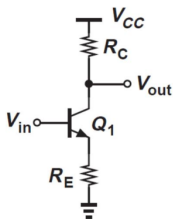
$$r_O = \frac{V_A}{I_C}, \quad (24)$$

we can get

$$A_v = -\frac{V_A}{V_T} \quad (25)$$

The Early effect limits the voltage gain even if  $R_C$  approaches infinity.

# CE Stage With Emitter Degeneration (Without Early Effect)



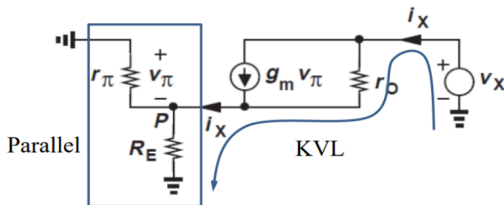
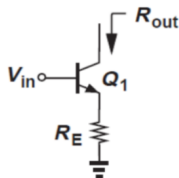
$$A_v = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{-g_m R_C}{1 + \left(\frac{1}{r_\pi} + g_m\right) R_E} \quad (26)$$

$$R_{in} = r_\pi + (\beta + 1) R_E \quad (27)$$

$$R_{out} = R_C \quad (28)$$

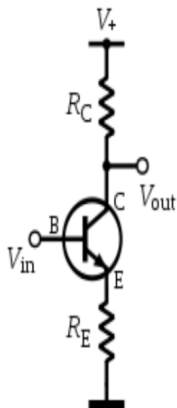


# CE Stage With Emitter Degeneration (With Early Effect)



$$R_{out} = r_o + (g_m r_o + 1)(R_E \parallel r_\pi) \approx r_o[1 + g_m(R_E \parallel r_\pi)] \quad (29)$$

# Summary



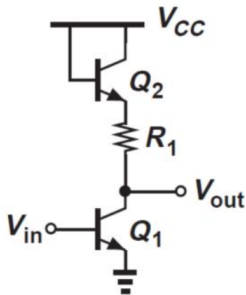
	Definition	Expression	
		With emitter degeneration	Without emitter degeneration; i.e., $R_E = 0$
Current gain	$A_i \triangleq \frac{i_{out}}{i_{in}}$	$\beta$	$\beta$
Voltage gain	$A_v \triangleq \frac{v_{out}}{v_{in}}$	$-\frac{\beta R_C}{r_\pi + (\beta + 1)R_E}$	$-g_m R_C$
Input impedance	$r_{in} \triangleq \frac{v_{in}}{i_{in}}$	$r_\pi + (\beta + 1)R_E$	$r_\pi$
Output impedance	$r_{out} \triangleq \frac{v_{out}}{i_{out}}$	$R_C$	$R_C$

## Suggestion:

- ▶ Remember the general case
- ▶ First identify B, C, E port
- ▶ Know how to analyze small signal model
- ▶ Understand all the exercise in lecture slides
- ▶ Don't ignore some small values too easily! Be careful!

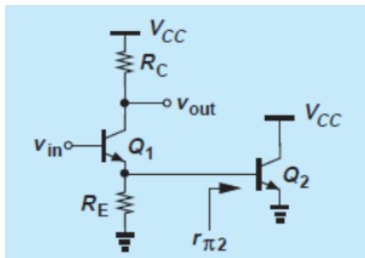
# Exercise 5

(23FA Mid/5) Using a small-signal model, determine output impedance of the circuit shown below with and without Early effect.  
[10 points]



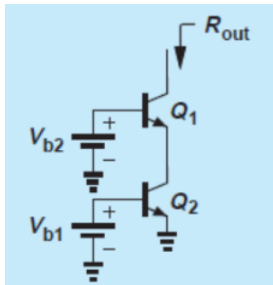
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Determine the voltage gain of the stage shown below. No Early effect.



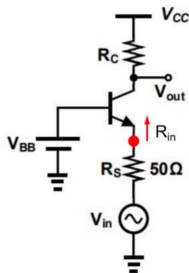
# Extra Exercise 1

Determine the output resistance of the circuit below. With Early Effect.



## Extra Exercise 2

(23FA Mid/9) The figure below shows a BJT amplifier. Assume  $V_{BE} = 0.7$  V,  $V_T = 25$  mV,  $\beta$  is very large (to be infinity). No Early effect. [15 points]



(a) Draw the small signal model and derive the gain for the amplifier. [5 points]

## Extra Exercise 2

(b) Find values of  $V_{BB}$  and  $R_C$  to have a gain of 20 and a matched resistance of  $100\ \Omega$  at the input, i.e.  $R_{in} = 100\ \Omega$  from the point above  $R_S$ . [5 points]

(c) By cascading another BJT circuit to the circuit in part b as shown below, find the total parametric gain of the amplifier. [5 points]

