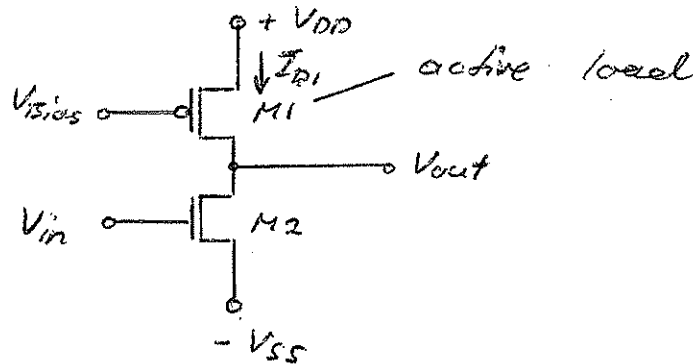


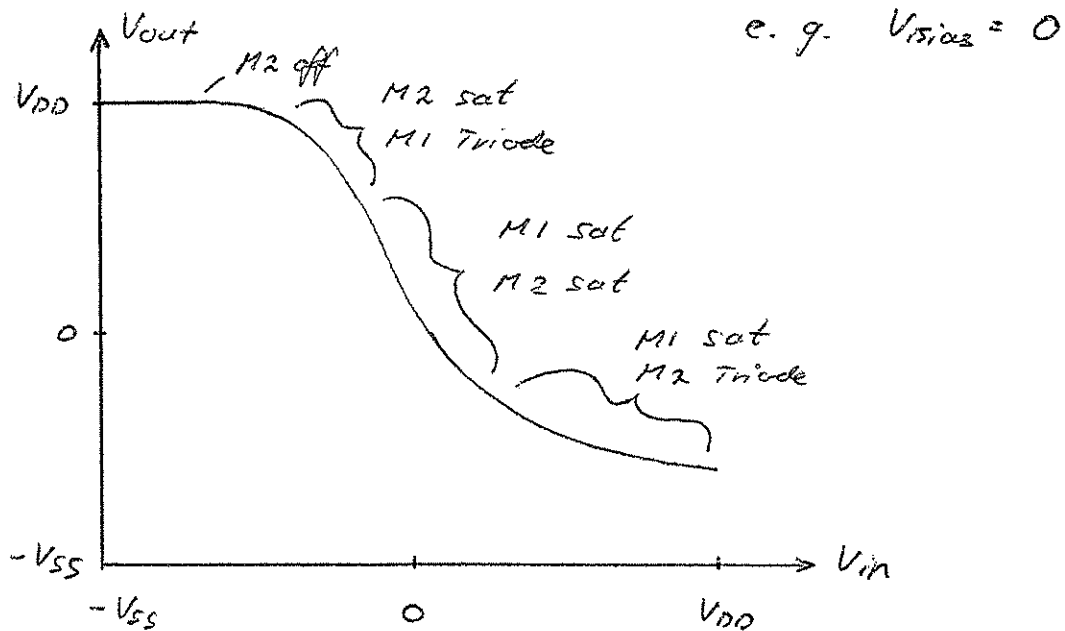
III MOS Sub Circuits (Building Blocks)

1. The MOS Inverter (Common Source Amp.)

Basic Configuration



a) Large Signal Response (DC Transfer char.)



DC Considerations

If $V_{DD} = V_{SS}$ and $V_{Bias} = V_{in,DC} = V_{out,DC}$
we can write:

$$I_{D1} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_p C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_p [V_{DD} - V_{tp}]^2 = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_n [V_{SS} - V_{tn}]^2$$

$$\therefore \left| \mu_p \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_p [V_{DD} - V_{tp}]^2 = \mu_n \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_n [V_{SS} - V_{tn}]^2 \right|$$

or

$$\left| \frac{\mu_n \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_n}{\mu_p \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_p} = \frac{[V_{DD} - V_{tp}]^2}{[V_{SS} - V_{tn}]^2} \right|$$

Example: $V_{DD} = V_{SS} = 2.5V$

$$V_{tn} = 0.7V$$

$$C_{ox} = 2.5 \cdot 10^{-3} \frac{F}{m^2}$$

$$V_{tp} = -0.9V$$

$$\mu_n = 4 \cdot 10^{-2} \frac{m^2}{Vs}$$

$$\mu_p = 1.8 \cdot 10^{-2} \frac{m^2}{Vs}$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \text{Find } \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_n \text{ and } \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_p \text{ such that} \\ I_{D1} = 100\mu A \end{array} \right|$$

Solution

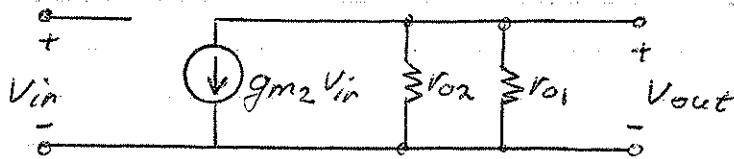
$$\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_p = \frac{I_{D1}}{\frac{1}{2} \mu_p C_{ox} [V_{DD} + V_{tp}]^2} \approx 1.74$$

$$\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_n = \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_p \frac{\mu_p}{\mu_n} \frac{[V_{DD} - V_{tp}]^2}{[V_{SS} - V_{tn}]^2} = 0.62$$

e.g. $\left| \begin{array}{ll} W_p = 7 & W_n = 2.5 \\ L_p = 4 & L_n = 4 \end{array} \right|$

A.C. Considerations

Linear equivalent circuit



$$|A_v = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = -g_{m2}(r_{o1} || r_{o2}) = -\frac{g_{m2}}{g_{o1} + g_{o2}}|$$

where

$$\left| \begin{aligned} g_{m2} &= \sqrt{2\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_n \mu_n C_{ox} I_{D1}} \\ g_{o1} &= I_{D1} \lambda_p \\ g_{o2} &= I_{D1} \lambda_n \end{aligned} \right|$$

$$\therefore |A_v| = -\frac{\sqrt{2\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_n \mu_n C_{ox}}}{\sqrt{I_{D1}} [\lambda_n + \lambda_p]}$$

Recall: $\lambda \approx \frac{1}{L} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_s}{2qN_{sub}(\phi_0 + V_{DS} - V_{eff})}} \approx \frac{9 \cdot 10^{-8} [cm]}{L}$

Thus

$$|| |A_v| \propto \sqrt{\frac{W \cdot L \cdot \mu C_{ox} N_{sub}}{I_D}} ||$$

e.g. $L_n = L_p = 4 \mu m$

$W_p = 7 \mu m$

$W_n = 2.5 \mu m$

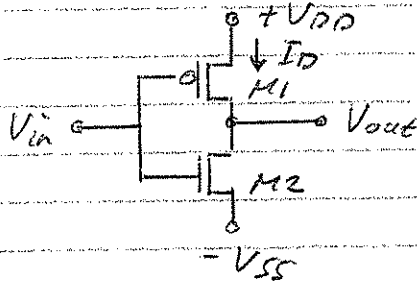
$I_D = 100 \mu A$

$\mu_n C_{ox} = 10^{-4} \frac{A}{V^2}$

$\therefore |A_v| \approx -24.8$

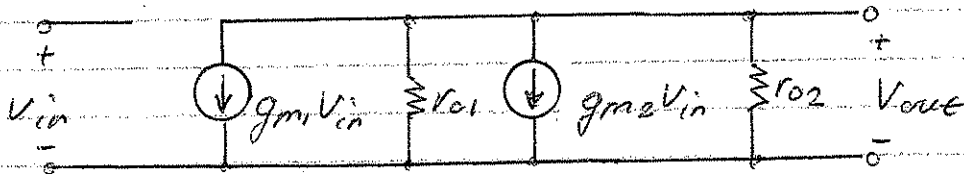
Special Case CMOS Inverter

Self-biased Inverter



$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \mu_p C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_p [V_{in} - V_{DD} - V_{tp}]^2 = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_n [V_{in} - V_{ss} - V_{tn}]^2$$

Linear Equivalent Circuit



$$A_v = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = - \frac{g_{m1} + g_{m2}}{g_{o1} + g_{o2}}$$

If $\mu_n C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_n = \mu_p C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_p = \beta$

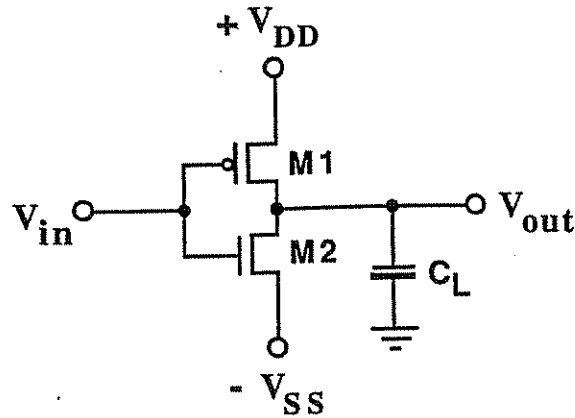
Then

$$A_v = - \frac{\sqrt{\beta}}{\sqrt{I_D}} \frac{2V_{DD}}{(\lambda_n + \lambda_p)} \quad \therefore A_v \propto L_{eff}$$

e.g. $\beta = 2 \cdot 10^{-4} \frac{A}{V^2}$
 $I_D = 10^{-4} A$
 $\lambda_n = \lambda_p = 0.05 \frac{1}{V}$

$$\therefore |A_v| \approx -40$$

The self-biased CMOS Inverter



Linear gain

Assumption:

$$\frac{1}{2} \mu_1 \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_1 C_{ox} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_2 C_{ox} = k \quad (1)$$

$$\left| A_v \cong - \frac{4}{[V_{SS} - V_t][\lambda_1 + \lambda_2]} \right| \quad (2)$$

where

$$\lambda \cong \frac{1}{L_{eff}} \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_s}{2 q N_{Sub} (\phi_B + V_{DS} - V_{eff})}} \quad (3)$$

and

$$L_{eff} \cong L_{Drawn} - x_{LD} - \sqrt{\frac{2 \epsilon_s (\phi_B + V_{DS} - V_{eff})}{q N_{Sub}}} \quad (4)$$

Therefore

$$A_v \propto L_{eff} \quad (5)$$

Settling behavior

A) Linear

$$\left| V_{out}(t) = \Delta V A_v [1 - e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}] \right| \quad t \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta V \leq \frac{V_t}{|A_v|} \quad (6)$$

where

$$\tau \equiv \frac{C_L}{k} \frac{1}{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) [V_{SS} - V_t]^2} \quad (7)$$

Consequently

$$\tau \propto \frac{L_{eff}}{k} \propto L_{eff} \left(\frac{L}{W} \right) \quad (8)$$

B) Nonlinear

$$\left| t_{settl.} \equiv \frac{C_L}{k} \frac{2\sqrt{\Delta V(V_{SS} - V_t)} + (V_t - \Delta V)}{2\Delta V(V_{SS} - V_t)} \right| \quad \frac{V_t}{|A_v|} \leq \Delta V \leq V_t \quad (9)$$

Case B:

$$\left| t_{settl.} \equiv \frac{C_L}{k} \frac{2\sqrt{\Delta V(V_{SS} - V_t)} - (\Delta V - V_t)}{2V_{SS}\Delta V - \frac{1}{2}(\Delta V + V_t)^2} \right| \quad V_t \leq \Delta V \leq (V_{SS} - V_t) \quad (10)$$

Case C:

$$\left| t_{settl.} \equiv \frac{C_L}{k} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}V_{SS} + (\Delta V - V_t)} \right| \quad (V_{SS} - V_t) \leq \Delta V \leq V_{SS} \quad (11)$$

Numerical Example (90% settling times according to SPICE)

$V_{DD} = V_{SS} = 2.5V$
 $V_t = 0.8V$
 $C_L = 400fF$
 $k = 100\mu A/V^2$

ΔV [V]	$t_{settl.}$ [ns]
0.2	10.4
0.3	7.6
0.4	6.0
0.6	4.4
0.9	3.1
1.2	2.5
1.6	2.0
2.0	1.6
2.5	1.4

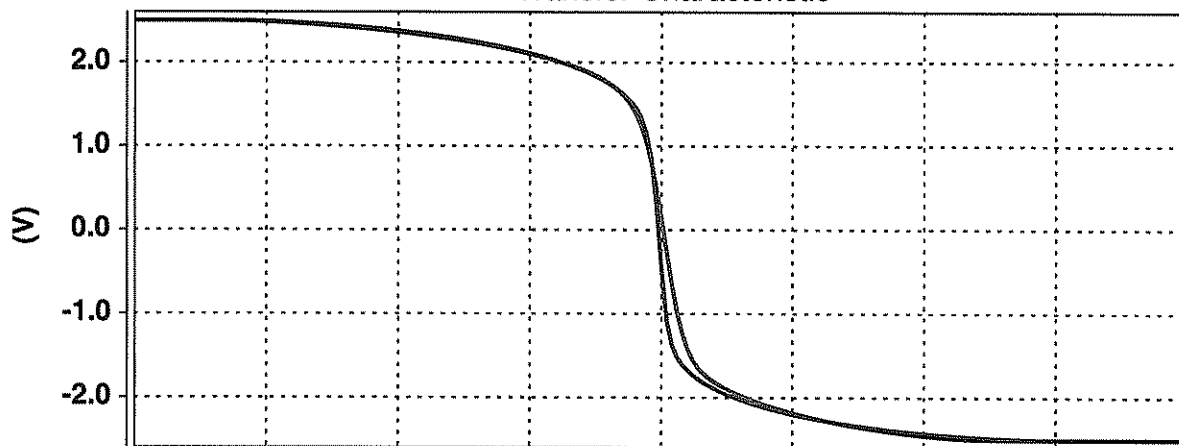
CMOS Inverters

Transfer Characteristic

(V) : VOLTS(V)

v(o1)

v(o2)

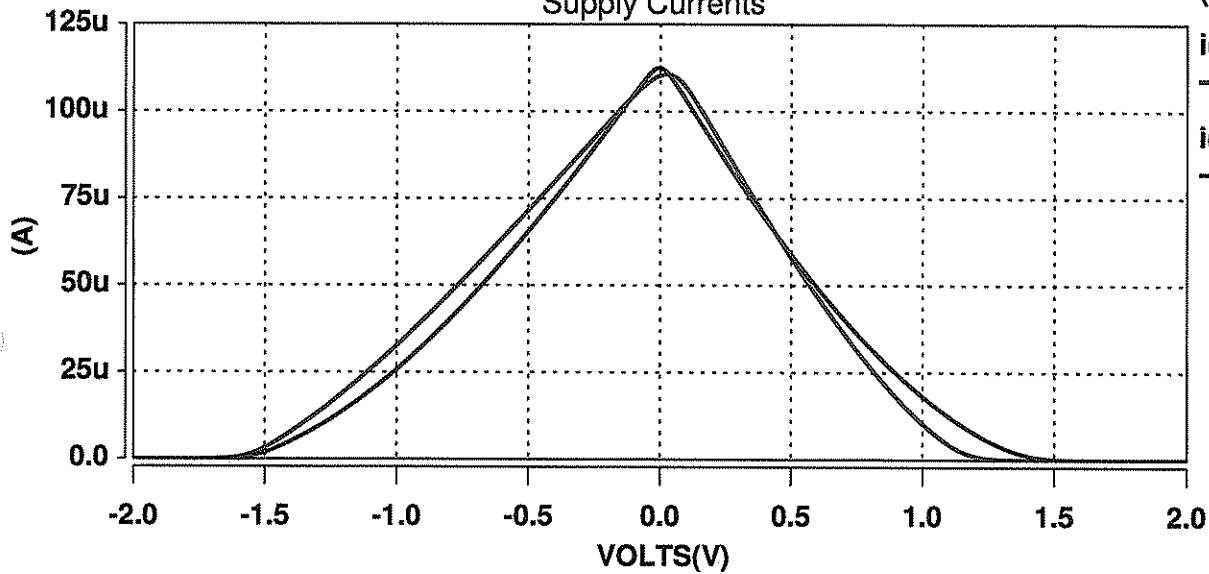


Supply Currents

(A) : VOLTS(V)

i(mn1)

i(mn2)

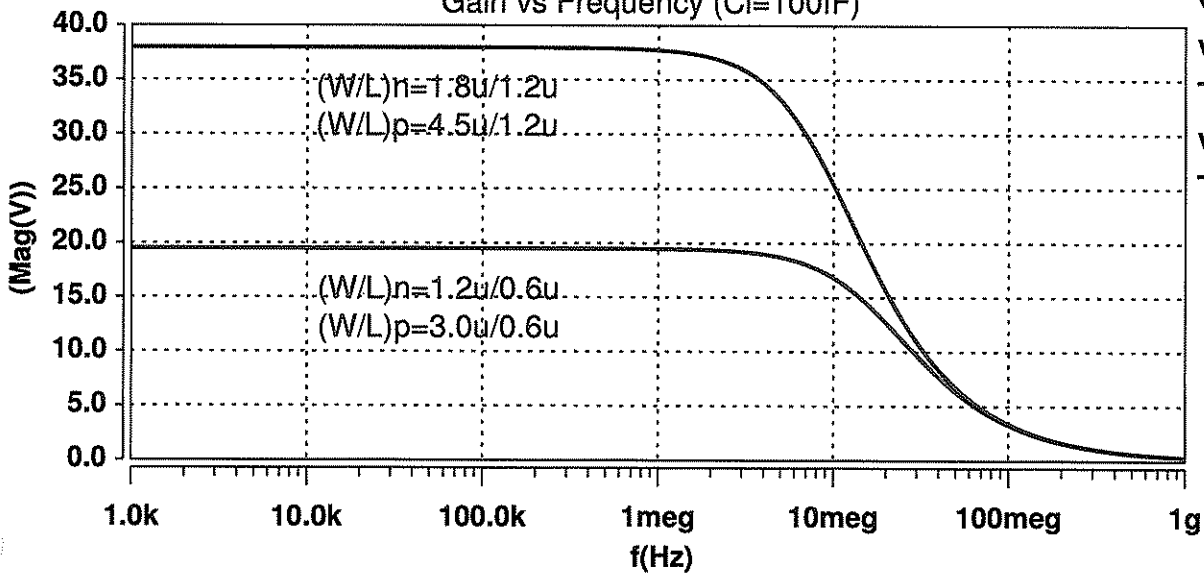


Gain vs Frequency (Cl=100fF)

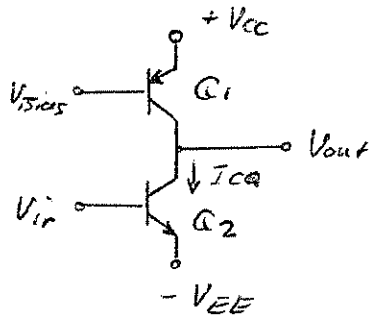
(Mag(V)) : f(Hz)

vm(o1)

vm(o2)



BJT Inverter (CE amplifier)

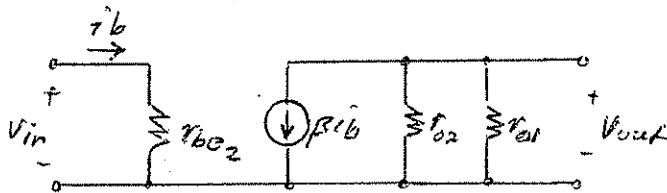


Q-point:

$$I_{CQ} \approx I_{S1} e^{\frac{(V_{CC} - V_{BE1})}{V_T}}$$

AC Performance:

linear eq. circuit



$$\left| \begin{aligned} V_{out} &= -\beta i_b (r_{o1} \parallel r_{o2}) \\ i_b &= V_{in} \frac{1}{r_{be2}} \end{aligned} \right| \Rightarrow \left| V_{out} = -V_{in} \frac{\beta}{r_{be2}} (r_{o1} \parallel r_{o2}) \right|$$

where $r_{be2} \approx \beta \frac{V_T}{I_{CQ}}$

and $r_{o1} \approx V_{A1}/I_{CQ}$

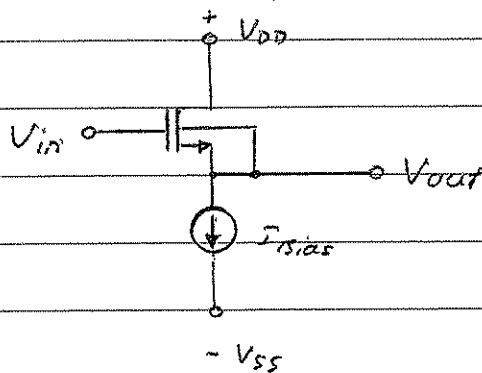
$r_{o2} = V_{A2}/I_{CQ}$

$$\therefore \left| A_V = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \approx - \frac{V_{A1} \cdot V_{A2}}{(V_{A1} + V_{A2})} \frac{1}{V_T} \right|$$

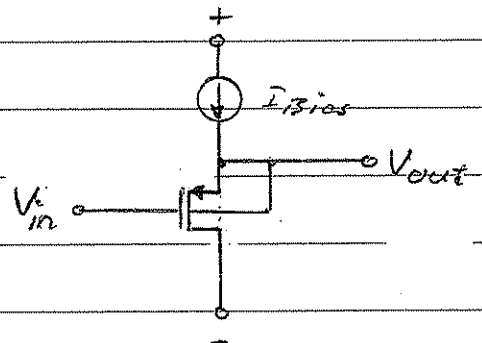
$$V_T = \frac{kT}{q}$$

$$A_V \propto \frac{\overline{V_A}}{V_T}$$

2. Source Follower (Common Drain Amp.)



p-well process (no body effect)



n-well process

a) Large Signal response

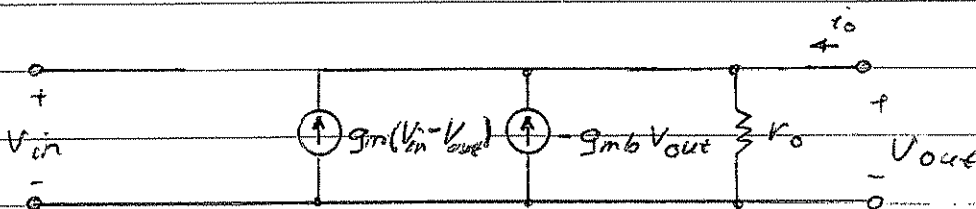
$$I_D = I_{Bias} \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox} (V_{in} - V_{out} - V_t)^2 \quad (\text{sat})$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\| V_{out} \approx (V_{in} - V_t) - \sqrt{2 \frac{I_{Bias} \cdot L}{W \mu C_{ox}}} \right\| \quad \text{dc}$$

$$\text{where } V_t = V_{t0} + \gamma \left[\sqrt{2\phi_F + V_{SS}} - \sqrt{2\phi_F} \right]$$

$V_{out} - V_{SS}$

b) Small Signal response ($V_{SS} \neq 0$)



$$\Rightarrow V_{out} = g_m r_o (V_{in} - V_{out}) - g_{mb} r_o V_{out}$$

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$$V_{out}[1 + g_m r_o + g_{mb} r_o] = g_m r_o V_{in}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{r_o g_m}{1 + r_o [g_m + g_{mb}]}$$

$$g_{mb} = g_m \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\phi_F + V_{SIS}}}$$

$$g_m r_o = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sqrt{\frac{2k}{I_{Bias}}} \quad (k = \frac{1}{2} \frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox})$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{1}{1 + \lambda \sqrt{\frac{I_{Bias}}{2k}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\phi_F + V_{SIS}}}} \right|$$

from Body effect

Example: $\lambda = 4 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ V}^{-1}$

$$I_{Bias} = 100 \mu\text{A}$$

$$k = 200 \frac{\mu\text{A}}{\text{V}^2}$$

$$\eta = 0.5 \sqrt{\text{V}}$$

$$\phi_F = 0.4 \text{ V}$$

a) $V_{SIS} = 0 \quad (V_{IS} = V_{out})$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{1}{1 + 4 \cdot 10^{-2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}}} \approx \underline{\underline{0.98}}$$

b) $V_{SIS} \neq 0 \quad (V_{IS} = 0)$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = \frac{1}{1 + 2 \cdot 10^{-2} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{\sqrt{\text{V}}}{\sqrt{0.8 \text{ V} + V_{out}}}} \quad \Bigg| \quad = \underline{\underline{0.83}}$$

$$V_{out} = 1 \text{ V}$$

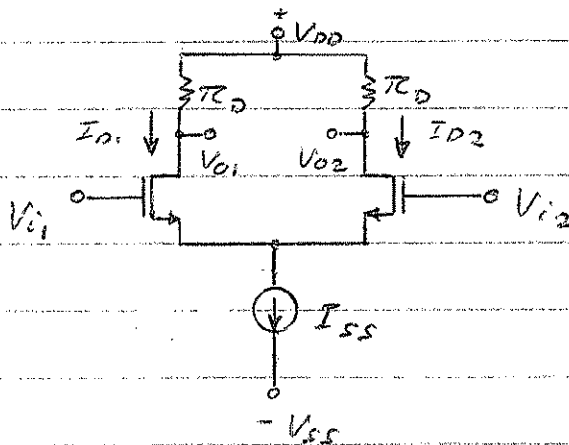
c) output impedance of source follower

from linear equivalent circuit

$$\left. \frac{V_o}{V_i} \right|_{V_i=0} = [r_o - (g_m + g_{mb}) V_o] r_o$$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \frac{V_o}{V_i} \right|_{V_i=0} = \frac{r_o}{1 + r_o(g_m + g_{mb})} \approx \frac{1}{g_m + g_{mb}} \quad g_o \ll g_m$$

5. Source Coupled pair



a) Large signal analysis

$$I_{D1} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox} [V_{GS1} - V_t]^2$$

$$I_{D2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox} [V_{GS2} - V_t]^2$$

$$V_{GS1} = V_t + \sqrt{2 \frac{I_{D1} L}{W \mu C_{ox}}} = V_t + \sqrt{\frac{I_{D1}}{K_1}}$$

$$V_{GS2} = V_t + \sqrt{2 \frac{I_{D2} L}{W \mu C_{ox}}} = V_t + \sqrt{\frac{I_{D2}}{K_2}}$$

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we define:

$$\Delta V_i = V_{i1} - V_{i2} = V_{GS1} - V_{GS2}$$

KVL

$$\bar{I}_D = \frac{1}{2} (\bar{I}_{D1} + \bar{I}_{D2}) = \frac{1}{2} I_{SS}$$

KCL

$$\Delta \bar{I}_D = \bar{I}_{D1} - \bar{I}_{D2}$$

$$\bar{I}_{D1} = \bar{I}_D + \frac{1}{2} \Delta \bar{I}_D$$

$$\bar{I}_{D2} = \bar{I}_D - \frac{1}{2} \Delta \bar{I}_D$$

Differential Mode

$$\Rightarrow \Delta V_i = \sqrt{\frac{\bar{I}_D + \frac{1}{2} \Delta \bar{I}_D}{k}} - \sqrt{\frac{\bar{I}_D - \frac{1}{2} \Delta \bar{I}_D}{k}}$$

$$k = \frac{1}{2} \frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox}$$

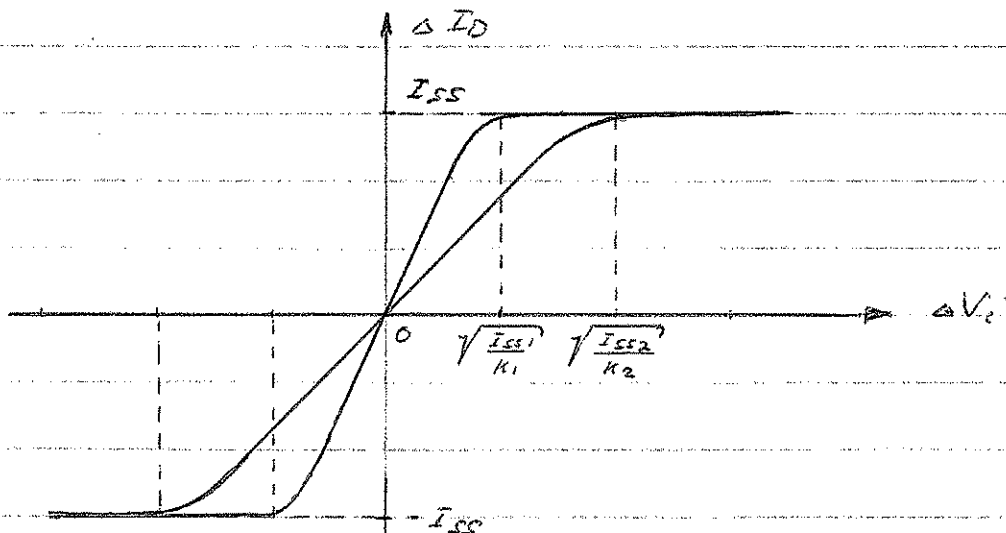
$$\Delta V_i^2 = \frac{1}{k} \left[(\bar{I}_D + \frac{1}{2} \Delta \bar{I}_D) + (\bar{I}_D - \frac{1}{2} \Delta \bar{I}_D) - 2 \sqrt{\bar{I}_D^2 - \frac{1}{4} \Delta \bar{I}_D^2} \right]$$

$$\bar{I}_{SS} = 2 \bar{I}_D \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{k} \left[\bar{I}_{SS} - \sqrt{\bar{I}_{SS}^2 - \Delta \bar{I}_D^2} \right]$$

$$\Delta \bar{I}_D^2 = \bar{I}_{SS}^2 - (\Delta V_i^2 k - \bar{I}_{SS})^2 = \Delta V_i^2 k^2 \left[\frac{2 \bar{I}_{SS}}{k} - \Delta V_i^2 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\Delta \bar{I}_D = \Delta V_i k \sqrt{\frac{2 \bar{I}_{SS}}{k} - \Delta V_i^2}} \quad \text{for} \quad \underline{\Delta V_i^2 \leq \frac{\bar{I}_{SS}}{k}}$$

$\Delta \bar{I}_D$ versus ΔV_i characteristics



b) Small Signal analysis

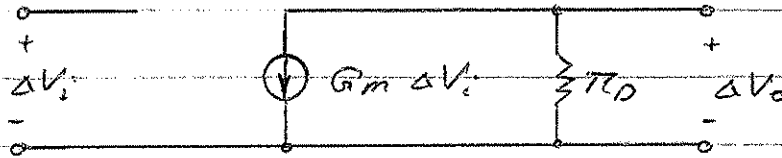
we define : $G_m = \left. \frac{d \Delta I_D}{d \Delta V_i} \right|_{\Delta V_i = 0}$

from large signal analysis :

$$\frac{d \Delta I_D}{d \Delta V_i} = \left. \frac{2 I_{SS} - 2 K \Delta V_i^2}{\sqrt{\frac{2 I_{SS}}{K} - \Delta V_i^2}} \right|_{\Delta V_i = 0} = \frac{2 I_{SS}}{\sqrt{\frac{2 I_{SS}}{K}}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{G_m = \sqrt{2 K I_{SS}} = \sqrt{\frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox} I_{SS}} = g_{m1} = g_{m2}}$$

linear equivalent circuit (differential mode)



$$\Delta V_o = V_{o1} - V_{o2} = -\frac{1}{2} \Delta I_D \pi_D - (+\frac{1}{2} \Delta I_D \pi_D)$$

$$\Delta V_o = -\Delta V_i G_m \pi_D$$

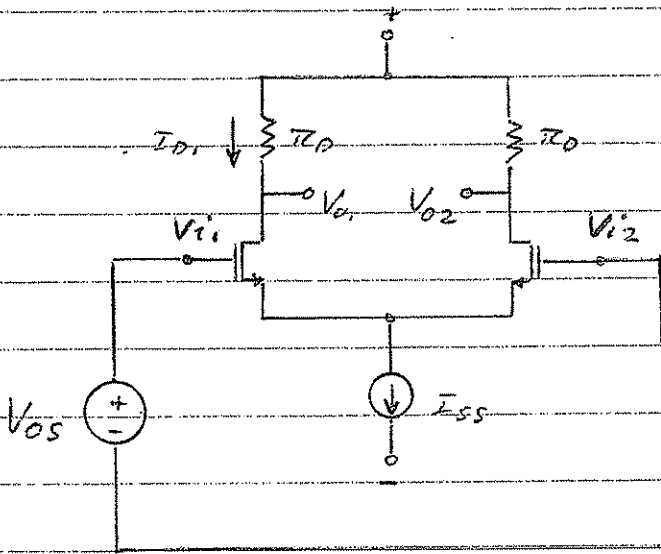
$$\Rightarrow \underline{\frac{\Delta V_o}{\Delta V_i} = -G_m \pi_D} \quad (G_m = g_{m1} = g_{m2})$$

Note:

$$\underline{\frac{V_{o1}}{\Delta V_i} = -\frac{1}{2} G_m \pi_D}$$

$$\underline{\frac{V_{o2}}{\Delta V_i} = +\frac{1}{2} G_m \pi_D}$$

c) Offset Voltage



$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox} [V_{GS} - V_T]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{GS} = V_T + \sqrt{\frac{2I_D}{\frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox}}}$$

<u>Def</u>	$V_{OS} = \Delta V_i \Big _{\Delta V_O = 0} = \Delta V_{GS} \Big _{\Delta V_O = 0}$
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$$\Rightarrow V_{OS} = \Delta V_T + \Delta \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{2I_D}{\left(\frac{W}{L}\right) \mu C_{ox}}} \right\}$$

Random offset due
to device mismatch

$$\frac{\Delta I_D}{I_D} \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{2I_D}{\left(\frac{W}{L}\right) \mu C_{ox}}} = \frac{\Delta \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)}{\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)} \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{2I_D}{\left(\frac{W}{L}\right) \mu C_{ox}}}$$

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$$\Rightarrow V_{OS} = \Delta V_t + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{2 I_D}{\frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox}}} \left[\frac{\Delta I_D}{I_D} - \frac{\Delta(\frac{W}{L})}{(\frac{W}{L})} \right]$$

$$= \Delta V_t + \frac{1}{2} [V_{OS} - V_t] \left[\frac{\Delta I_D}{I_D} - \frac{\Delta(\frac{W}{L})}{(\frac{W}{L})} \right]$$

Furthermore, $\frac{\Delta I_D}{I_D} = \frac{\Delta \tau_D}{\tau_D}$

$$\Rightarrow V_{OS} = \Delta V_t + \frac{1}{2} [V_{OS} - V_t] \left[\frac{\Delta \tau_D}{\tau_D} - \frac{\Delta(W/L)}{(W/L)} \right]$$

or

$$V_{OS} = \Delta V_t + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{I_D}{K}}}_{I_D/g_m} \left[\frac{\Delta \tau_D}{\tau_D} - \frac{\Delta(W/L)}{(W/L)} \right] \quad K = \frac{1}{2} \frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox}$$

Compare: In Bipolar

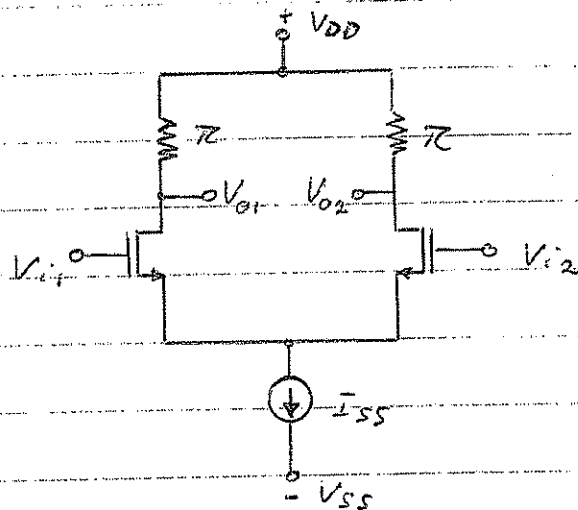
$$V_{OS} = \frac{kT}{q} \left[\frac{\Delta Q_B}{Q_B} - \frac{\Delta A}{A} - \frac{\Delta \tau_C}{\tau_C} \right]$$

Comments: - MOS has additional offset component ΔV_t

- MOS offset voltage increases with I_D/g_m

$\Rightarrow$ we want g_m/I_D high

Summary Source - Coupled pair



small signal analysis's

$$\frac{\Delta V_o}{\Delta V_i} = -G_m R$$

$$G_m = \sqrt{\frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox} I_{SS}}$$

Notes: $\frac{V_{o1}}{\Delta V_i} = -\frac{1}{2} G_m R$

$\frac{V_{o2}}{\Delta V_i} = +\frac{1}{2} G_m R$

Offset Voltage

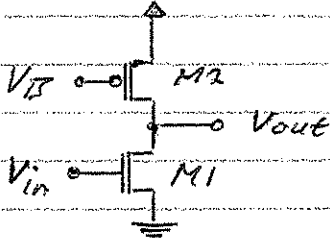
Def.

$$V_{os} = \Delta V_i \Big|_{\Delta V_o=0} = \Delta V_{gs} \Big|_{\Delta V_o=0}$$

$$V_{os} = \Delta V_t + \frac{1}{2} [V_{gs} - V_t] \left[\frac{\Delta R}{R} - \frac{\Delta(W/L)}{(W/L)} \right]$$

Summary - MOS Gain Stages

1. Common Source Amplifier



$$A_v = - \frac{g_{m1}}{g_{o1} + g_{o2}}$$

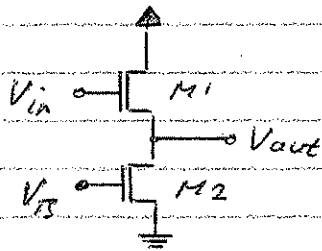
$$r_{in} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$r_{out} = \frac{1}{g_{o1} + g_{o2}}$$

$$g_m = \sqrt{2 \frac{W}{L} \mu C_{ox} I_{DQ}}$$

$$g_o = \lambda I_{DQ}$$

2. Common Drain Amplifier (Source Follower)

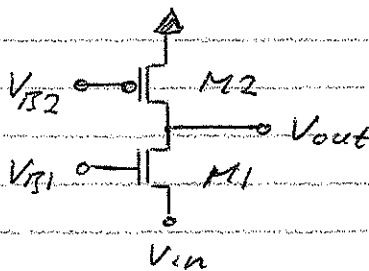


$$A_v = \frac{g_{m1}}{g_{m1} + g_{m2} + g_{o1} + g_{o2}}$$

$$r_{in} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$r_{out} = \frac{1}{g_{m1} + g_{m2} + g_{o1} + g_{o2}}$$

3. Common Gate Amplifier



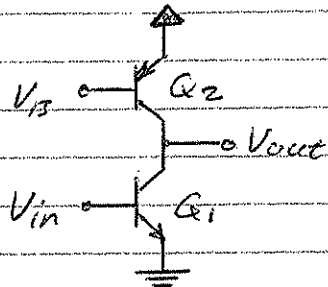
$$A_v = \frac{g_{m1} + g_{o1}}{g_{o1} + g_{o2}}$$

$$r_{in} = \frac{1 + g_{o1} r_{o2}}{g_{m1} + g_{o1}}$$

$$r_{out} = \frac{1}{g_{o1} + g_{o2}}$$

Compare - BJT Gain Stages

Common Emitter Amplifier



$$A_v = -\beta \frac{r_{ce1} \parallel r_{ce2}}{r_{be}}$$

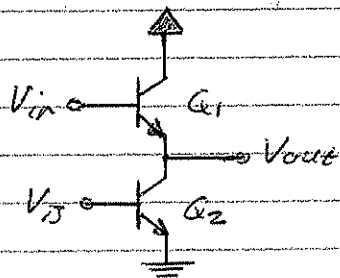
$$r_{in} = r_{be}$$

$$r_{out} = r_{ce1} \parallel r_{ce2}$$

$$r_{be} = \beta \frac{V_T}{I_{ce}}$$

$$r_{ce} = \frac{V_A}{I_{ce}}$$

Common Collector Amplifier (Emitter Follower)

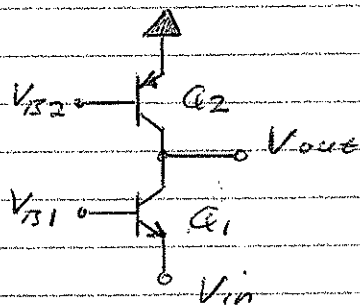


$$A_v = \frac{(1+\beta)r_{ce1} \parallel r_{ce2}}{r_{be1} + (1+\beta)r_{ce1} \parallel r_{ce2}}$$

$$r_{in} = r_{be1} + (1+\beta)r_{ce1} \parallel r_{ce2}$$

$$r_{out} = \frac{r_{be1}}{(1+\beta) + \frac{r_{be1}}{r_{ce1} \parallel r_{ce2}}}$$

Common Base Amplifier



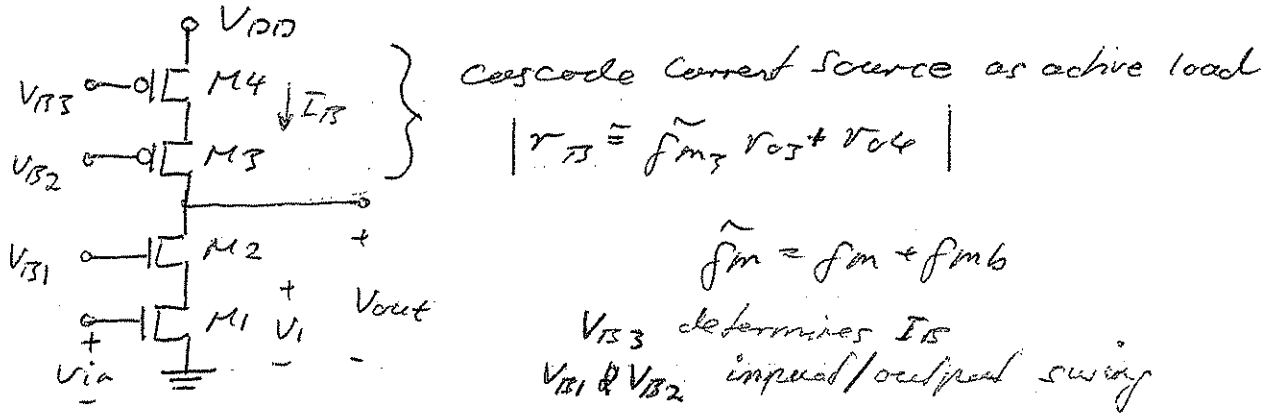
$$A_v = \beta \frac{r_{out}}{r_{be}}$$

$$r_{in} = \frac{1}{\beta} r_{be}$$

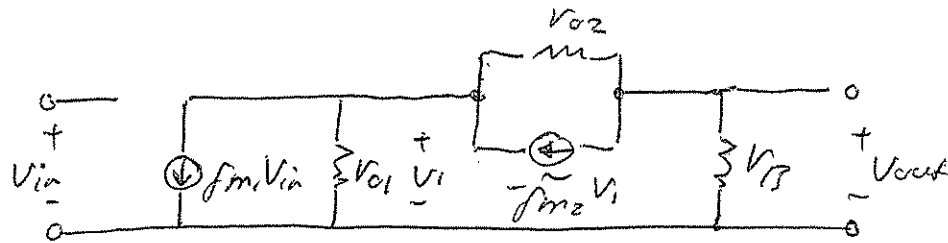
$$r_{out} = \beta r_{ce1} \parallel r_{ce2} \approx r_{ce2}$$

4. Cascode Gain Stage (CS+CG Amp)

Basic Config.



AC equivalent circuit



$$(1) \quad V_{out} = (V_1 - V_{out}) \frac{r_{B3}}{r_{o2}} + V_1 \tilde{f}_{m2} r_{B3}$$

$$(2) \quad V_1 = -V_{in} f_m r_{o1} - (V_1 - V_{out}) \frac{r_{o1}}{r_{o2}} - \tilde{f}_{m2} r_{o1} V_1$$

$$\text{from (1)} \quad V_1 = V_{out} \frac{[1 + \frac{r_{B3}}{r_{o2}}]}{[\frac{r_{B3}}{r_{o2}} + \tilde{f}_{m2} r_{B3}]} \quad (3)$$

(3) into (2)

$$\therefore (4) \quad V_{out} \frac{[1 + \frac{r_{B3}}{r_{o2}}][1 + \frac{r_{o1}}{r_{o2}} + \tilde{f}_{m2} r_{o1}] - \frac{r_{o1}}{r_{o2}} [\frac{r_{B3}}{r_{o2}} + \tilde{f}_{m2} r_{B3}]}{[\frac{r_{B3}}{r_{o2}} + \tilde{f}_{m2} r_{B3}]} = -V_{in} f_m r_{o1}$$

Rewriting (4) yields

$$\left\| \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = - \frac{g_{m1} r_{o1} r_{15} [1 + \tilde{g}_{m2} r_{o2}]}{r_{o2} \left[1 + \frac{r_{o1}}{r_{o2}} + \tilde{g}_{m2} r_{o1} + \frac{r_{15}}{r_{o2}} \right]} \right\|$$

Since $\tilde{g}_m r_o \gg 1$

$$\left\| \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \cong - \frac{g_{m1} \tilde{g}_{m2} r_{o2} r_{o1} r_{15}}{\tilde{g}_{m2} r_{o2} r_{o1} + r_{15}} \right\|$$

Notes: $\tilde{g}_{m2} r_{o2} r_{o1}$ is the resistance from the output to ground (through M_1 & M_2) while r_{15} represents the resistance from the output to V_{DD} (through M_3 & M_4)

Thus $\left\| r_{out} \cong \tilde{g}_{m2} r_{o2} r_{o1} \parallel \tilde{g}_{m3} r_{o3} r_{o4} \right\|$ large value $\circ$

Numerical Example

$$I_{15} = 50 \mu A \quad \mu_n C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_n = \mu_p C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_p = 1 \text{ mA/V}^2$$

$$\therefore \tilde{g}_{m_n} = \tilde{g}_{m_p} = 320 \mu S \quad \tilde{g}_m \approx 400 \mu S$$

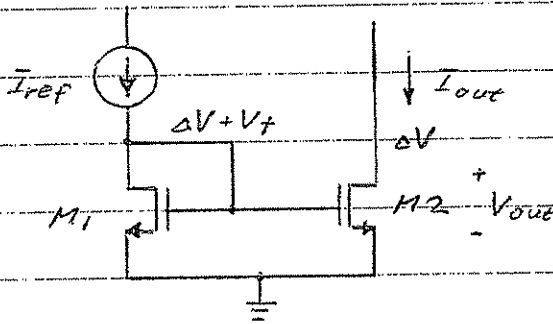
$$r_{o1} \cong r_{o2} \cong r_{o3} \cong r_{o4} = 400 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$\therefore \tilde{g}_m r_o = 160 \quad \tilde{g}_{m2} r_{o2} r_{o1} \cong \tilde{g}_{m3} r_{o3} r_{o4} = 64 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$\therefore \left\| \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \cong -10,000 \right\| \quad \left\| r_{out} \cong 32 \text{ M}\Omega \right\|$$

5. Current Sources

a) Simple Current Mirror



$$\text{Let } \Delta V = V_{GS} - V_t \approx \sqrt{\frac{2 I_{ref}}{(W/L)_1 \mu C_{ox}}}$$

$$\text{For saturation: } \underline{V_{out} \gg \Delta V}$$

$$(\Delta V \gg 0)$$

Large Signal response

$$V_{GS1} = V_{GS2} \equiv V_t + \sqrt{\frac{2 I_{ref}}{(W/L)_1 \mu C_{ox}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{out} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_2 \mu C_{ox} [V_{GS2} - V_t]^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_2 \mu C_{ox} \frac{2 I_{ref}}{(W/L)_1 \mu C_{ox}} = \frac{(W/L)_2}{(W/L)_1} I_{ref} \end{aligned}$$

Note: If you want to scale the current ratio, do it by means of $\frac{W_2}{W_1}$ (not $\frac{L_1}{L_2}$) (equal undercut yields constant ratio $\frac{L_1}{L_2}$ only if $L_1 = L_2$)

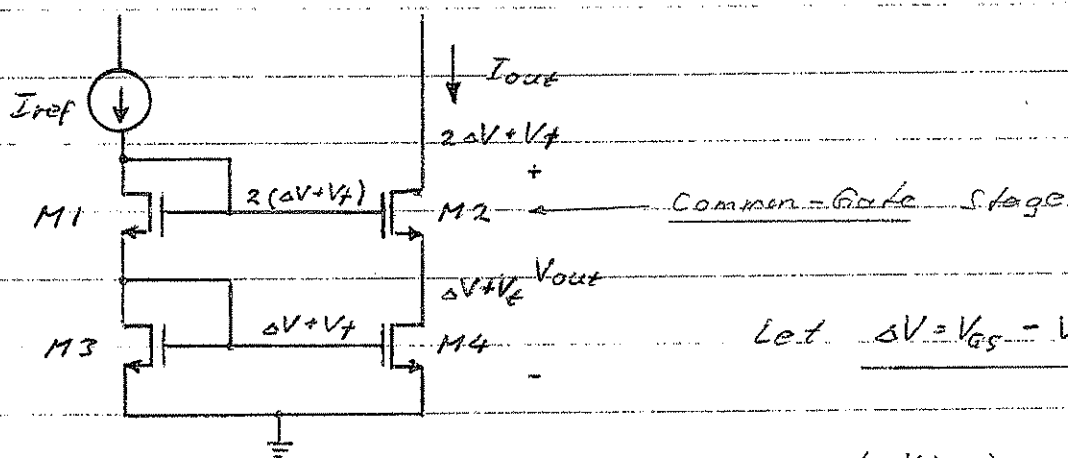
$$\begin{aligned} I_{ref} &= k_1 [V_{GS} - V_t]^2 (1 + \lambda V_t) \\ I_{out} &= k_2 [V_{GS} - V_t]^2 (1 + \lambda [V_{out} - V_{GS} + V_t]) \end{aligned} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{including channel} \\ \text{length modulation} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\therefore \left\| I_{out} = I_{ref} \frac{k_2}{k_1} \cdot \frac{1 + \lambda [V_{out} - V_{GS} + V_t]}{1 + \lambda V_t} \right\| \quad \frac{k_1}{k_2} = \frac{(W/L)_1}{(W/L)_2}$$

Output resistance

$$r_o = r_{o2} = \frac{1}{\lambda_2 I_{out}} = \frac{L_{eff2}}{I_{out}} \sqrt{\frac{2qN_{sub}(\phi_0 + V_{DS} - V_{eff})}{\epsilon_s}}$$

b) Cascode current source



$$V_{out} = V_{out2} + V_{out4}$$

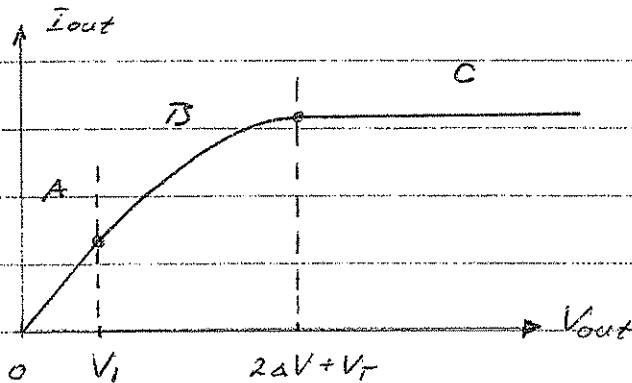
For saturation: $V_{out4} \geq \Delta V$

$$V_{out2} \geq 2(\Delta V + V_t) - \Delta V - V_t = \Delta V + V_t$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{V_{out} \geq 2\Delta V + V_t}$$

Compared to the simple current mirror, the voltage swing of the cascode current source is reduced by $V_t + \Delta V$

output characteristics

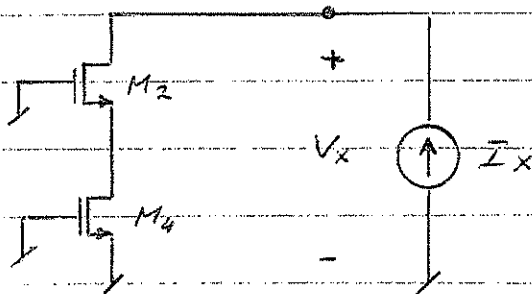


A: $M_2 + M_4$ Triode region $V_{out} \leq V_1 = \Delta V \left[1 + \frac{\Delta V}{2(V_T + \Delta V)} \right]$

B: M_4 sat., M_2 Triode $V_1 < V_{out} < V_T + 2\Delta V$

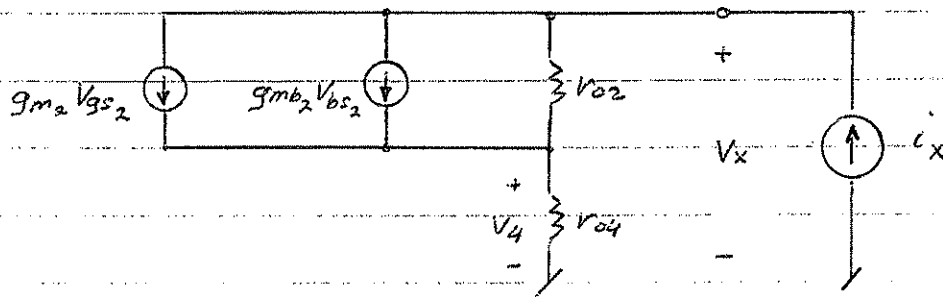
C: $M_2 + M_4$ sat. $V_{out} \geq V_T + 2\Delta V$

output resistance



$$r_{out} = \frac{V_x}{I_x}$$

linear equivalent circuit (for output resistance)



$$V_{gs2} = V_{bs2} = -V_4 \quad (1)$$

$$V_4 = -i_x r_{o4} \quad (2)$$

$$V_x = (i_x - g_{m2} V_{gs2} - g_{mbs2} V_{bs2}) r_{o2} + V_4 \quad (3)$$

$$(1) + (2) \text{ in } (3) \Rightarrow V_x = i_x (1 + g_{m2} r_{o4} + g_{mbs2} r_{o4}) r_{o2} + i_x r_{o4}$$

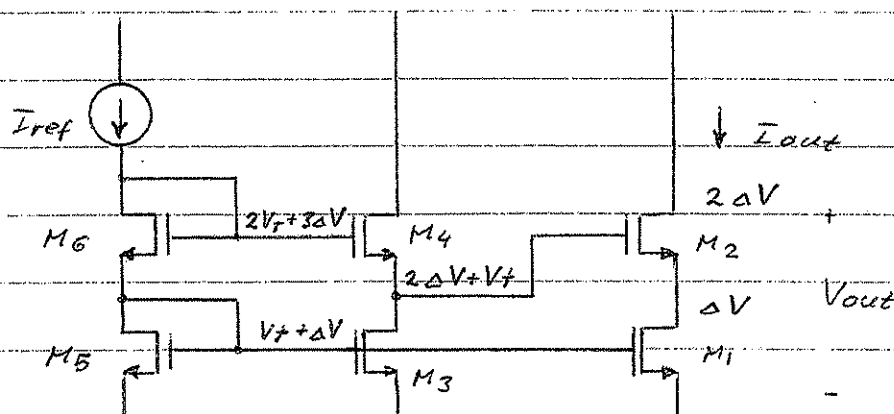
$$\Rightarrow r_{out} = \frac{V_x}{i_x} = r_{o2} + r_{o4} (1 + g_{m2} r_{o2} + g_{mbs2} r_{o2})$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{A_2 \gg 1}$

$$\underline{\underline{r_{out} \approx r_{o4} (1 + A_2)}}$$

The source impedance of the cascode configuration is increased by the voltage gain of the additional common-gate stage (i.e. A_2)

c) Improved Cascode Current source (Better dynamic range)



$$I_{ref} = I_6 = k' \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_6 [V_{as6} - V_t]^2$$

$$V_{as6} = V_t + 2\Delta V$$

$$I_{ref} = I_5 = k' \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_5 [V_{as5} - V_t]^2$$

$$V_{as5} = V_t + \Delta V$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_6 4\Delta V^2 = \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_5 \Delta V^2$$

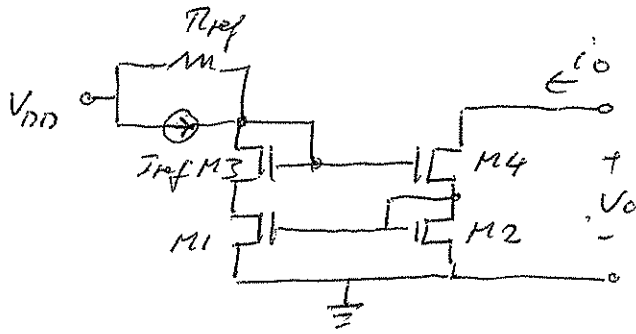
$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_6 = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_5}}$$

$$\text{But } \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_4 = \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_3$$

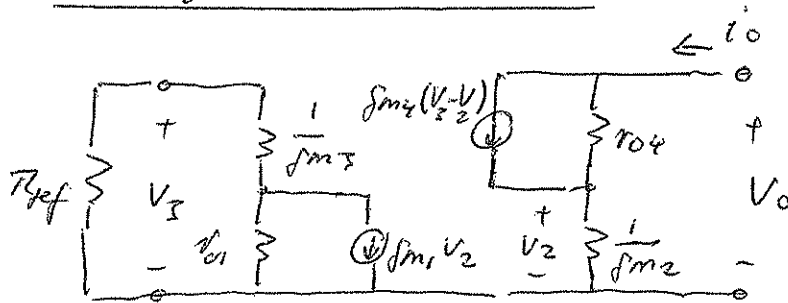
$$\left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_2 = \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_1$$

The voltage swing of the improved cascode current source is improved by V_t by inserting a voltage-level-shifting stage in series between the gate of M_6 and M_2 .

Wilson Current Mirror



ac equivalent circuit



$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad & V_3 = -\frac{V_3}{\pi_{ref}} \left[\frac{1}{g_{m3}} + r_{o1} \right] - g_{m1} r_{o1} V_2 \\ (2) \quad & V_2 = i_o \frac{1}{g_{m2}} \\ (3) \quad & V_o = i_o \left[r_{o4} + \frac{1}{g_{m2}} \right] - g_{m4} r_{o4} (V_3 - V_2) \end{aligned}$$

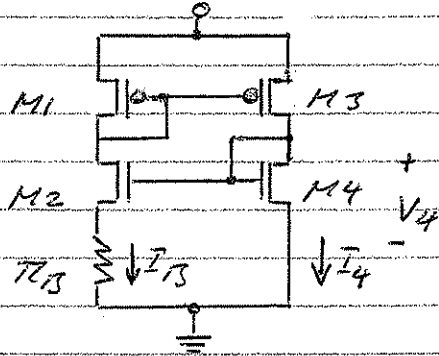
$$(1) + (2) \quad \therefore \left| V_3 \left[1 + \frac{1}{g_{m3} \pi_{ref}} + \frac{r_{o1}}{\pi_{ref}} \right] = - \frac{g_{m1} r_{o1}}{g_{m2}} i_o \right| \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3) + (2) + (4) \quad \therefore \quad & V_o = i_o \left[r_{o4} + \frac{1}{g_{m2}} + \frac{g_{m4} r_{o4}}{g_{m2}} + \right. \\ & \left. + g_{m4} r_{o4} \frac{g_{m1} r_{o1}}{g_{m2}} \frac{\pi_{ref}}{\left[\pi_{ref} + \frac{1}{g_{m3}} + r_{o1} \right]} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \left\| r_o = \frac{V_o}{i_o} \approx r_{o4} \left[1 + \frac{g_{m4}}{g_{m2}} \right] + g_{m4} r_{o4} \frac{g_{m1}}{g_{m2}} \pi_{ref} \parallel r_{o1} \right\|$$

Supply-Independent Current Source

Basic Configuration



assume $M1 \equiv M3$

Note: This circuit may require a start-up procedure if $V_4(t=0) < V_t$

Since $M1 \equiv M3 \therefore I_4 = I_B$

If we neglect the body effect in $M2$, we can write the following device equation

$$\left| \beta_2 [V_4 - I_B \pi_B - V_t]^2 = \beta_4 [V_4 - V_t]^2 \right| \quad \beta = \frac{1}{2} \mu C_{ox} \frac{W}{L}$$

$$V_4 - I_B \pi_B - V_t = \sqrt{\frac{\beta_4}{\beta_2}} [V_4 - V_t] \quad \beta_4 < \beta_2$$

$$\therefore \left| I_B = \frac{1}{\pi_B} [V_4 - V_t] \left[1 - \sqrt{\frac{\beta_4}{\beta_2}} \right] \right|$$

$$\text{If } L_2 = L_4 \therefore \sqrt{\frac{\beta_4}{\beta_2}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{W_4}{W_2}}$$

Notes If body effect is included, the current I_B will be

$$\text{reduced by } \left| \frac{\Delta V_{t2}}{\pi_B} = \frac{1}{\pi_B} [\sqrt{2\phi_F + I_B \pi_B} - \sqrt{2\phi_F}] \right|$$

iterative solution required