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Test 1

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Course Title : **Electronics Analysis & Design II**
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Time Allowed : **1.5 hours**

Instructions to the candidates:

1. Write your Name and Student ID number. Circle your section number.
2. Write all your answers using pen. **DO NOT USE PENCIL** except for the diagram.
3. **ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.**
4. **WRITE YOUR ANSWER ON THIS QUESTION PAPER.**
5. For BJT, use $V_T = 26 \text{ mV}$ where appropriate.
6. Use at least **4 significant numbers** in all calculations.

NOTE: DO NOT OPEN THE QUESTION PAPER UNTIL INSTRUCTED TO DO SO.

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Question No.	1	2	3	Total
Marks				

Question 1 [40 marks]

- a) Explain clearly why are currents I_{C1} and I_{C2} in the basic two-transistor BJT current source similar? [5 marks]
- b) The values of β for the transistors in Figure 1.1 are very large.
- i) If Q_1 in the Figure 1.1 is diode-connected, as shown in Figure 1.2, to provide constant current $I_{REF} = I_1 = 0.5 \text{ mA}$, determine the collector currents in the other transistors, i.e. I_2 and I_3 . [6 marks]
- ii) Find I_1 and I_3 if Q_2 is diode-connected to provide $I_{REF} = I_2 = 0.5 \text{ mA}$. [2 marks]
- iii) Find I_1 and I_2 if Q_3 is diode-connected to provide $I_{REF} = I_3 = 0.5 \text{ mA}$. [2 marks]

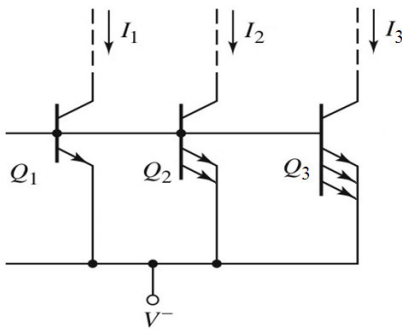


Figure 1.1

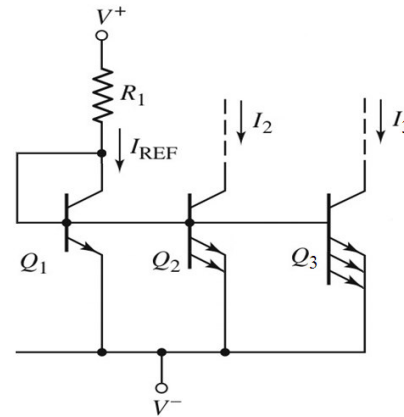


Figure 1.2

Answers for Question 1

Q1(a)

- Transistors Q_1 and Q_2 are matched, i.e. $I_{S1} = I_{S2}$, as well as other parameters eg β , V_A and $V_{EB(on)}$. [1.5]
- From the circuit, $V_{BE1} = V_{BE2}$ [1.5]
- From the equation $I_C = I_S (\exp(V_{BE} / V_T))$, [1]
- if Q_1 and Q_2 are matched and have the same V_{BE} , then $I_{C1} = I_{C2}$ [1]

c) **Figure 1.3** shows a **pnp current source** with transistor parameters $\beta = 50$, $V_A = 50 \text{ V}$ and $V_{EB(\text{on})} = 0.7 \text{ V}$.

- i) Find R_1 such that $I_{REF} = 1.5 \text{ mA}$ and find the value of I_O . [7 marks]
- ii) What is the maximum value of R_{C2} such that Q_2 remains in the **forward-active region**? Assume $V_{EC2(\text{min})} = V_{EB(\text{on})}$. [3 marks]
- iii) Find the change in I_O , i.e. dI_O , if $V_O = 3.5 \text{ V}$. [9 marks]
- iv) Calculate the percentage change in I_O for **part iii)** above. [3 marks]
- v) The circuit in **Figure 1.3** is **modified** to include a resistor R_E at the emitter of Q_2 . **Discuss** what will happen to the percentage change in I_O of the current source in this situation. [3 marks]

Answers for Question 1 (Cont.)

Q1(b)

- i) $I_{REF} = I_1 = 0.5 \text{ mA}$
 From Figure 1.2,
 $I_2 = 2 I_{REF} = 2 I_1$ [2]
 $= 2 (0.5\text{m}) = 1 \text{ mA}$ [1]
 $I_3 = 3 I_{REF} = 3 I_1$ [2]
 $= 3 (0.5\text{m}) = 1.5 \text{ mA}$ [1]

- ii) $I_{REF} = I_2 = 0.5 \text{ mA}$
 Similar with above,
 $I_1 = I_2 / 2 = (0.5\text{m}) / 2 = 0.25 \text{ mA}$ [1]
 $I_3 = 3 I_1 = 3(0.25\text{m}) = 0.75 \text{ mA}$ [1]

- iii) $I_{REF} = I_3 = 0.5 \text{ mA}$
 Similar with above,
 $I_1 = I_3 / 3 = (0.5\text{m}) / 3 = 0.167 \text{ mA}$ [1]
 $I_2 = 2 I_1 = 2(0.167\text{m}) = 0.33 \text{ mA}$ [1]

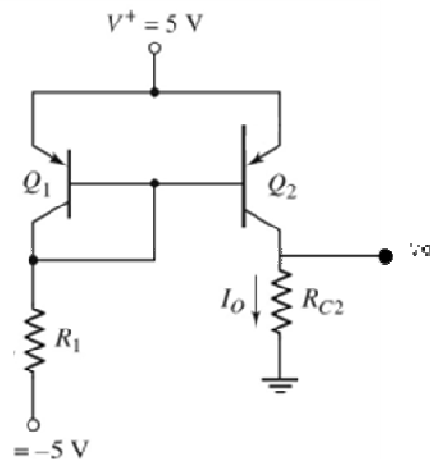


Figure 1.3

Answers for Question 1 (Cont.)

Q1c(i)

$$I_{REF} = \frac{V^+ - V_{EB}(\text{on}) - V^-}{R_1} = 1.5\text{mA} \quad [2]$$

$$R_1 = \frac{5 - 0.7 - (-5)}{1.5\text{m}} = 6.22\text{k}\Omega \quad [2]$$

$$I_O = \frac{I_{REF}}{1 + 2/\beta} = \frac{1.5\text{m}}{1 + 2/50} = 1.44\text{mA} \quad [3]$$

Q1c(ii)

$$R_2(\text{max}) = \frac{V^+ - V_{EC}(\text{min})}{I_O} \quad [2]$$

$$R_2(\text{max}) = \frac{5 - 0.7}{1.44\text{mA}} = 2.986\text{k}\Omega \quad [1]$$

Q1c(iii)

$$dI_O = dV_O/R_O \quad [2]$$

$$R_O = r_{o2} \quad [1]$$

$$r_{o2} = V_A/I_O = 50/(1.44\text{m}) = 34.72\text{k}\Omega \quad [2]$$

$$V_O(\text{original}) = V^+ - V_{EC}(\text{min}) = 5 - 0.7 = 4.3\text{V} \quad [2]$$

$$\text{So, } dV_O = 4.3\text{V} - 3.5\text{V} = 0.8\text{V} \quad [1]$$

$$\text{So, } dI_O = 0.8\text{V}/34.72\text{k}\Omega = 0.023\text{mA} \quad [1]$$

Q1c(iv)

$$\% \text{ change in } I_O = dI_O/I_O \times 100\% \quad [2]$$

$$= 0.023\text{m}/1.44\text{m} \times 100\% = 1.597\% \quad [1]$$

Q1c(v)

- The circuit becomes the Widlar current source. [0.5]
- Widlar's output impedance R_O is much larger, [0.5]
i.e. $R_O = r_{o2}[1 + g_m(r_{\pi}/R_E)]$. [0.5]
- Hence, lowering the dI_O . [0.5]
- So, the % change in I_O will decrease, [0.5]
- thus, improving the performance of the current source in terms of stability of I_O . [0.5]

Question 2 [30 marks]

The current equation for an NMOS transistor is given by:

$$i_D = K_n (v_{GS} - V_{TN})^2 (1 + \lambda v_{DS})$$

where
$$K_n = \frac{k'_n}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)$$

Consider the **basic MOSFET two-transistor** current source in **Figure 2**. The circuit parameters are $V^+ = 3 \text{ V}$, $V^- = -3 \text{ V}$, and $I_{REF} = 120 \text{ }\mu\text{A}$; and the transistor parameters are $V_{TN} = 0.8 \text{ V}$ and $k'_n = 80 \text{ }\mu\text{A/V}^2$.

- a) Give another name for the MOSFET current source. [1 mark]
- b) For the basic two-transistor NMOS current source, find the relationship between I_O and I_{REF} . [5 marks]
- c) Find V_{GS1} , V_{GS2} , V_{DS1} , and I_O at $\lambda = 0$ for the following transistor aspect ratios:
 - i) $(W/L)_1 = (W/L)_2 = 4.5$ [8 marks]
 - ii) $(W/L)_1 = 4.5$ and $(W/L)_2 = 2.25$ [8 marks]
- d) For $(W/L)_1 = 4.5$, $(W/L)_2 = 2.25$ and $\lambda = 0.02 \text{ V}^{-1}$, calculate the change in I_O if V_{DS2} changes by 0.75 Volts. [8 marks]

Answers for Question 2

Q2(a) Current mirror 1

Q2(b)
$$I_{REF} = K_{n1} (V_{GS1} - V_{TN1})^2 (1 + \lambda_1 V_{DS1})$$
 1

$$I_O = K_{n2} (V_{GS2} - V_{TN2})^2 (1 + \lambda_2 V_{DS2})$$
 1

$$\frac{I_{REF}}{I_O} = \frac{K_{n1} (V_{GS1} - V_{TN1})^2 (1 + \lambda_1 V_{DS1})}{K_{n2} (V_{GS2} - V_{TN2})^2 (1 + \lambda_2 V_{DS2})} = \frac{(W/L)_1 (1 + \lambda_1 V_{DS1})}{(W/L)_2 (1 + \lambda_2 V_{DS2})}$$
 2

$$I_O = I_{REF} \left[\frac{(W/L)_2 (1 + \lambda_2 V_{DS2})}{(W/L)_1 (1 + \lambda_1 V_{DS1})} \right]$$
 1

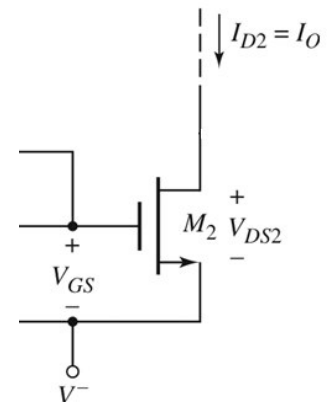


Figure 2

Answers for Question 2 (Cont.)

Q2(c)(i)

$$I_{REF} = K_{n1}(V_{GS1} - V_{TN1})^2 \quad \boxed{1}$$

$$V_{GS1} = V_{TN1} + \sqrt{\frac{I_{REF}}{K_{n1}}} \quad \boxed{1}$$

$$V_{GS1} = 0.8 + \sqrt{\frac{120\mu}{\left(\frac{80\mu}{2}\right)(4.5)}} = 0.8 + 0.8165 = 1.6165V \quad \boxed{1.5}$$

$$V_{GS2} = V_{GS1} = V_{DS1} = 1.6165V \quad \boxed{1.5}$$

$$I_O = I_{REF} \left[\frac{(W/L)_2(1 + \lambda_2 V_{DS2})}{(W/L)_1(1 + \lambda_1 V_{DS1})} \right] \quad \boxed{2}$$

$$I_O = I_{REF} = 120\mu A \quad \boxed{1}$$

Q2(c)(ii)

$$I_{REF} = K_{n1}(V_{GS1} - V_{TN1})^2 \quad \boxed{1}$$

$$V_{GS1} = V_{TN1} + \sqrt{\frac{I_{REF}}{K_{n1}}} \quad \boxed{1}$$

$$V_{GS1} = 0.8 + \sqrt{\frac{120\mu}{\left(\frac{80\mu}{2}\right)(4.5)}} = 0.8 + 0.8165 = 1.6165V \quad \boxed{1.5}$$

$$V_{GS2} = V_{GS1} = V_{DS1} = 1.6165V \quad \boxed{1.5}$$

$$I_O = I_{REF} \left[\frac{(W/L)_2}{(W/L)_1} \right] \quad \boxed{1.5}$$

$$I_O = 120\mu \left(\frac{2.25}{4.5} \right) = 60\mu A \quad \boxed{1.5}$$

Q2(d)

$$V_{GS2} = V_{GS1} = 1.6165V \quad \boxed{1}$$

$$I_O = \frac{k_n}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_2 (V_{GS2} - V_{TN})^2 = \frac{80\mu}{2} (2.25)(0.8165)^2 = 60\mu A \quad \boxed{2.5}$$

$$r_{O2} = \frac{1}{\lambda_o} = \frac{1}{(0.02)(60\mu)} = 833k\Omega \quad \boxed{1.5}$$

$$R_o = r_{O2} \quad \boxed{1}$$

$$\frac{dI_O}{dV_{DS2}} = \frac{1}{R_o} \Rightarrow dI_O = \frac{(dV_{DS2})}{(R_o)} \quad \boxed{1}$$

$$dI_O = \frac{(0.75)}{(833k)} = 0.9003\mu A \quad \boxed{1}$$

Question 3 [30 marks]

a) **Figure 3.1** shows a basic BJT differential pair. Assume that Q_1 and Q_2 are matched pair and operating at the same temperature.

i) By defining $v_d = v_{BE1} - v_{BE2}$

Show that
$$i_{C1} = \frac{I_Q}{1 + e^{-v_d/V_T}} \quad \text{and} \quad i_{C2} = \frac{I_Q}{1 + e^{+v_d/V_T}}$$

[10 marks]

ii) **What** happen when differential-mode input voltage (v_d) is zero? **Show** how the answer is obtained and **explain** your answer.

[4 marks]

Answers for Question 3

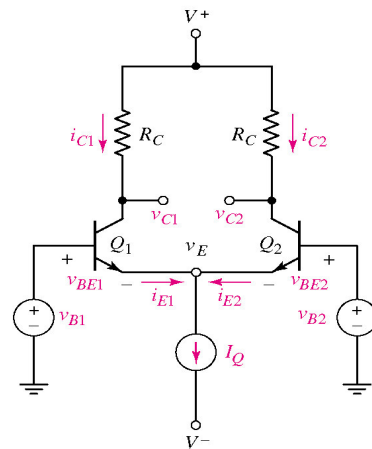


Figure 3.1

- b) **Figure 3.2** shows the **small-signal equivalent circuit** for basic BJT differential pair of **Figure 3.1**, where v_{B1} and v_{B2} in the **Figure 3.1** are represented by 2 input signals V_{b1} and V_{b2} respectively, and their input signal resistors R_B in the **Figure 3.2**.

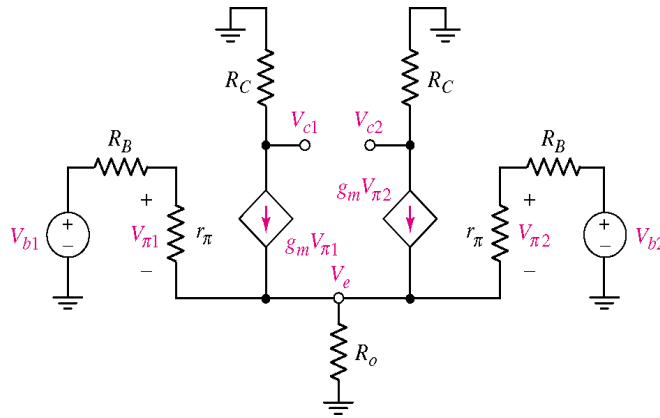


Figure 3.2

With small-signal analysis, it can be found that **one-sided output** (V_o) taken at collector of Q_2 (i.e. V_{c2}) is given by:

$$V_o = \frac{-\beta R_c}{r_\pi + R_B} \left\{ \frac{V_{b2} \left[1 + \frac{r_\pi + R_B}{(1 + \beta)R_o} \right] - V_{b1}}{2 + \frac{r_\pi + R_B}{(1 + \beta)R_o}} \right\}$$

If differential-mode input is $V_d = v_{BE1} - v_{BE2} = (V_{b1} - V_e) - (V_{b2} - V_e) = V_{b1} - V_{b2}$ and an **ideal constant-current source** is used to bias the BJT differential pair, **show that** the differential-mode gain is

$$A_d = \frac{V_o}{V_d} = \frac{\beta R_c}{2(r_\pi + R_B)}$$

[4 marks]

- c) For the differential amplifier shown in **Figure 3.1**, given that $i_{E1} = 0.4 \text{ mA}$ and $R_C = 12 \text{ k}\Omega$. The transistor parameters are $\beta = 100$ and $V_A = \infty$. Assume the output resistance looking into the constant-current source is $R_o = 25 \text{ k}\Omega$ and the input signal resistors R_B are zero. The common-mode gain is given by:

$$A_{cm} = - \frac{g_m R_C}{1 + \frac{2(1 + \beta)R_o}{r_\pi + R_B}}$$

Consider a **one-sided output** taken at v_{c2} . **Calculate:**

- i) The differential-mode gain. [4 marks]
- ii) The common-mode gain. [5 marks]
- iii) The common-mode rejection ratio (**CMRR**). [3 marks]

Answers for Question 3 (Cont.)

Q3a(i)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \boxed{1} \quad \boxed{1} \\
 i_{C1} &= I_S e^{v_{BE1}/V_T}, i_{C2} = I_S e^{v_{BE2}/V_T} \\
 I_Q &= i_{C1} + i_{C2} = I_S [e^{v_{BE1}/V_T} + e^{v_{BE2}/V_T}] \quad \boxed{1} \\
 \frac{i_{C1}}{I_Q} &= \frac{I_S e^{v_{BE1}/V_T}}{I_S [e^{v_{BE1}/V_T} + e^{v_{BE2}/V_T}]} = \frac{I_S (e^{v_{BE1}/V_T}) / e^{v_{BE1}/V_T}}{I_S [e^{v_{BE1}/V_T} + e^{v_{BE2}/V_T}] / e^{v_{BE1}/V_T}} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{(v_{BE2} - v_{BE1})/V_T}} \quad \boxed{2} \\
 \frac{i_{C2}}{I_Q} &= \frac{I_S e^{v_{BE2}/V_T}}{I_S [e^{v_{BE1}/V_T} + e^{v_{BE2}/V_T}]} = \frac{I_S (e^{v_{BE2}/V_T}) / e^{v_{BE2}/V_T}}{I_S [e^{v_{BE1}/V_T} + e^{v_{BE2}/V_T}] / e^{v_{BE2}/V_T}} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(v_{BE2} - v_{BE1})/V_T}} \quad \boxed{2} \\
 v_{BE1} - v_{BE2} &= v_d \quad \boxed{1} \\
 \rightarrow i_{C1} &= \frac{I_Q}{1 + e^{(v_{BE2} - v_{BE1})/V_T}} = \frac{I_Q}{1 + e^{-v_d/V_T}} \quad \boxed{1} \\
 \rightarrow i_{C2} &= \frac{I_Q}{1 + e^{-(v_{BE2} - v_{BE1})/V_T}} = \frac{I_Q}{1 + e^{+v_d/V_T}} \quad \boxed{1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q3a(ii)

$$\begin{aligned}
 i_{C1} &= \frac{I_Q}{1 + e^{-v_d/V_T}} = \frac{I_Q}{1 + e^{-0/V_T}} = \frac{I_Q}{1 + 1} = \frac{I_Q}{2} \quad \boxed{1} \\
 i_{C2} &= \frac{I_Q}{1 + e^{+v_d/V_T}} = \frac{I_Q}{1 + e^{0/V_T}} = \frac{I_Q}{1 + 1} = \frac{I_Q}{2} \quad \boxed{1}
 \end{aligned}$$

When $v_d = 0$, $i_{C1} = i_{C2} = I_Q/2 \rightarrow$ current I_Q splits evenly between i_{C1} and i_{C2}

$\boxed{1}$

$\boxed{1}$

Q3b

For ideal constant-current source $R_o = \infty$

$\boxed{1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_o &= \frac{-\beta R_C}{r_\pi + R_B} \left\{ \frac{V_{b2} \left[1 + \frac{r_\pi + R_B}{(1 + \beta) R_o} \right] - V_{b1}}{2 + \frac{r_\pi + R_B}{(1 + \beta) R_o}} \right\} \\
 R_o = \infty &\rightarrow V_o = \frac{-\beta R_C}{r_\pi + R_B} \left\{ \frac{V_{b2} - V_{b1}}{2} \right\} = \frac{-\beta R_C}{r_\pi + R_B} \left\{ \frac{-V_d}{2} \right\} \\
 A_d = \frac{V_o}{V_d} &= \frac{\beta R_C}{2(r_\pi + R_B)} \quad \boxed{1} \quad \boxed{1} \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \boxed{1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q3c(i)

$$A_d = \frac{\beta R_C}{2(r_\pi + R_B)}$$

$$R_B = 0 \rightarrow A_d = \frac{\beta R_C}{2(r_\pi)} \quad \boxed{1}$$

Either:

$$g_m = \frac{\beta}{r_\pi} \rightarrow A_d = \frac{g_m R_C}{2}$$

$$g_m = \frac{I_{CQ}}{V_T} = \frac{i_{E1}}{V_T} = \frac{0.4\text{m}}{0.026} = 15.385\text{mA/V} \quad \boxed{1, 0.5}$$

$$A_d = \frac{g_m R_C}{2} = \frac{(15.385\text{m})(12\text{k})}{2} = 92.3 \quad \boxed{1, 0.5}$$

Or:

$$r_\pi = \frac{\beta V_T}{I_{CQ}} = \frac{\beta V_T}{i_{E1}} = \frac{(100)(0.026)}{0.4\text{m}} = 6.5\text{k}\Omega \quad \boxed{1, 0.5}$$

$$A_d = \frac{\beta R_C}{2(r_\pi)} = \frac{(100)(12\text{k})}{2(6.5\text{k})} = 92.3 \quad \boxed{0.5, 0.5, 0.5}$$

Q3c(ii)

$$A_{cm} = -\frac{g_m R_C}{1 + \frac{2(1 + \beta)R_o}{r_\pi + R_B}}$$

$$R_B = 0 \rightarrow A_{cm} = -\frac{g_m R_C}{1 + \frac{2(1 + \beta)R_o}{r_\pi}} \quad \boxed{1}$$

$$g_m = \frac{I_{CQ}}{V_T} = \frac{i_{E1}}{V_T} = \frac{0.4\text{m}}{0.026} = 15.385\text{mA/V} \quad \boxed{1}$$

$$r_\pi = \frac{\beta V_T}{I_{CQ}} = \frac{\beta V_T}{i_{E1}} = \frac{(100)(0.026)}{0.4\text{m}} = 6.5\text{k}\Omega \quad \boxed{1}$$

$$A_{cm} = -\frac{g_m R_C}{1 + \frac{2(1 + \beta)R_o}{r_\pi}} = -\frac{(15.385\text{m})(12\text{k})}{1 + \frac{2(1 + 100)(25\text{k})}{6.5\text{k}}} = -0.237 \quad \boxed{2}$$

Q3c(iii)

$$CMRR = \left| \frac{A_d}{A_{cm}} \right| = \left| \frac{92.3}{-0.237} \right| = 389$$

Appendix: BASIC FORMULA

BJT

$$i_C = I_S e^{v_{BE}/V_T}; \text{npn}$$

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$$i_C = \alpha i_E = \beta i_B$$

$$i_E = i_B + i_C$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\beta}{\beta + 1}$$

;Small signal

$$\beta = g_m r_\pi$$

$$r_\pi = \frac{\beta V_T}{I_{CQ}}$$

$$g_m = \frac{I_{CQ}}{V_T}$$

$$r_o = \frac{V_A}{I_{CQ}}$$

MOSFET

;N – MOSFET

$$v_{DS}(\text{sat}) = v_{GS} - V_{TN}$$

$$i_D = K_n [v_{GS} - V_{TN}]^2$$

$$K_n = \frac{k'_n}{2} \cdot \frac{W}{L}$$

;P – MOSFET

$$v_{SD}(\text{sat}) = v_{SG} + V_{TP}$$

$$i_D = K_p [v_{SG} + V_{TP}]^2$$

$$K_p = \frac{k'_p}{2} \cdot \frac{W}{L}$$

;Small signal

$$g_m = 2K_n (V_{GSQ} - V_{TN}) = 2\sqrt{K_n I_{DQ}}$$

$$r_o \cong \frac{1}{\lambda I_{DQ}}$$