

Lecture 35: Differential Pair

• Announcements:

- HW#10 online and due Friday Nov. 16
- Lab 6 online and due 5 p.m., Friday, Dec. 7
 - ↳ Last Friday's lecture said a lot about how to do Lab#6
- Lecture 33 video now online at CalCentral
 - ↳ I will also place it on our website at some point
- Graded midterms coming back today

• Lecture Topics:

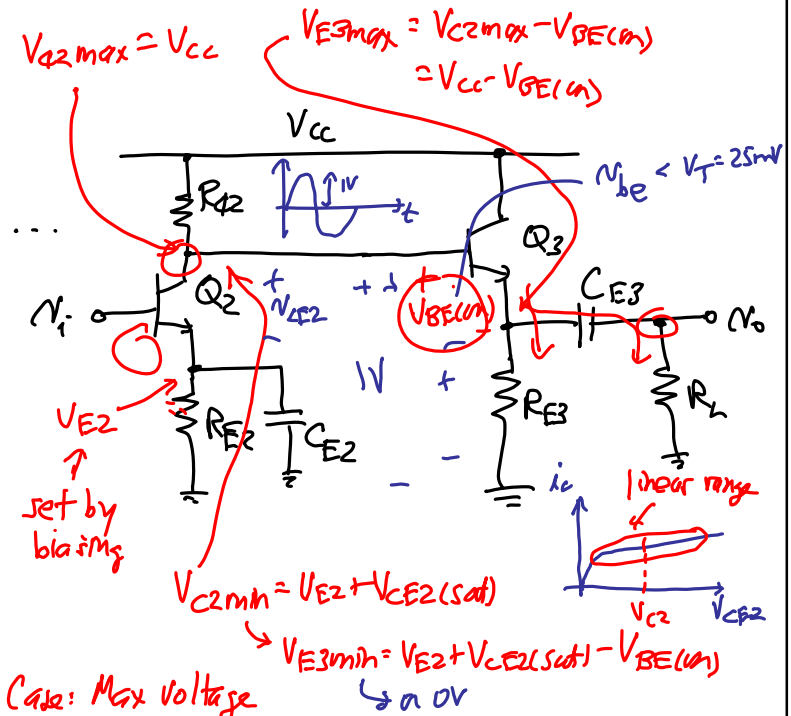
- ↳ Differential Pair
- ↳ Cascode Topology - or maybe leave for discussion section

• Last Time:

- Covered purposeful design and output stages, then started differential pairs
- Now continue this ...
- ... but first, one more thing about output stages: the stage before the output stage

Emitter Follower Output Stage

⇒ What is the max voltage swing @ the output?
 ⇒ Need to think in both small & large signal domains



Case: Max Voltage

⇒ Q_3 sources enough current to push v_o up across $R_{E3} || R_L$
 ⇒ max voltage limit determined by Q_2 stage

$$\therefore V_{omax} = \frac{V_{E3max} - V_{E3min}}{2}$$

Differential Pair → A Simple Op Amp

Assumptions:
 $Q_1 \neq Q_2$ are identical
 $R_{C1} \neq R_{C2}$ identical

Purpose: Amplify the difference between two signals regardless of their common-mode values.

Definitions.

$V_{ID} = V_{I1} - V_{I2}$ (differential input)

$V_{ICM} = \frac{V_{I1} + V_{I2}}{2}$ (common-mode input)

$V_{I1} = V_{ICM} + \frac{V_{ID}}{2}$

$V_{I2} = V_{ICM} - \frac{V_{ID}}{2}$

Differential Gain = $A_d = \frac{V_{O1} - V_{O2}}{V_{ID}} = \frac{V_{Od}}{V_{Id}}$ (WANT BIG)

Common-Mode Gain = $A_{cm} = \frac{V_{O1}}{V_{icm}} = \frac{V_{O2}}{V_{icm}}$ (WANT SMALL)

Common-Mode Rejection Ratio = CMRR = $\frac{A_{dm}}{A_{cm}}$ (WANT BIG)

WANT $V_{Id} = \frac{V_{O1} - V_{O2}}{V_{i1} - V_{i2}}$

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Replica Biasing

T-model

$i_{RD2} = \frac{V_{i1}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} g_m V_{i1}$

$$V_{o2} = i_{R_{D2}} R_{D2} \approx +\frac{1}{2} g_m V_{i1} R_{D2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{V_{o2}}{V_{i1}} = \frac{1}{2} g_m R_D \quad [R_D = R_{D1} = R_{D2}]$$

$$[g_m = g_{m1} = g_{m2}]$$

Get $\frac{V_{o2}}{V_{i2}}$:

$$V_{o2} = -\frac{1}{2} g_m R_{D2} V_{i2}$$

$$i_{d2} = g_{m2} \left(\frac{1}{2} V_{i2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} g_m V_{i2}$$

$$V_{o2} = \frac{1}{2} g_m R_D V_{i1} - \frac{1}{2} g_m R_D V_{i2}$$

w/ similar analysis $\rightarrow V_{o1} = -\frac{1}{2} g_m R_D V_{i1} + \frac{1}{2} g_m R_D V_{i2}$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} V_{o1} &= -\frac{1}{2} g_m R_D (V_{i1} - V_{i2}) \\ V_{o2} &= +\frac{1}{2} g_m R_D (V_{i1} - V_{i2}) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} V_{od} &= V_{o1} - V_{o2} \\ &= -g_m R_D (V_{i1} - V_{i2}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{V_{od}}{V_{id}} = A_{dm} = -g_m R_D$$

- Hand back midterms and skim through solutions

Midterm 2 Statistics	
Top Score	90
Average	56
Std. Dev.	16
Median	57