

## ASSIGNMENT 1

1. The collector current,  $I_C$ , from the large signal characteristic of a bipolar junction transistor (BJT) is given by the following equation

$$I_C = I_S \left( 1 + \frac{V_{CE}}{V_A} \right) \exp \frac{V_{BE}}{V_T}$$

where  $I_S$  is the constant saturation current which value is  $10^{-15}$ A,  $V_A$  is the Early voltage in the order of 50V,  $V_T$  is the thermal voltage,  $V_{CE}$  is the reverse-biased collector to emitter voltage and  $V_{BE}$  is the forward-bias base to emitter voltage. The BJT large signal model is shown in Figure 1.

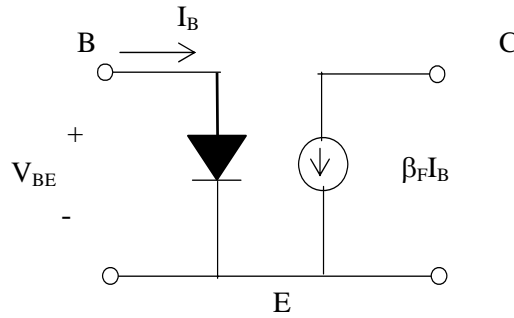


Figure 1

Given  $I_S = \frac{qAD_n n_{p0}}{W_B}$  and  $\beta_F = \frac{1}{\frac{W_B^2}{2\tau_b D_n} + \frac{D_p}{D_n} \frac{W_B}{L_p} \frac{N_A}{N_D}}$ , prove that the base

current is  $I_B = \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{n_{p0} W_B q A}{\tau_b} + \frac{q A D_p}{L_p} \frac{n_i^2}{N_D} \right) \exp \frac{V_{BE}}{V_T}$

where  $q$  is the electronic charge with value of  $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ C,  $A$  is the cross-sectional area of the emitter,  $D_n$  and  $D_p$  are the diffusion constants for electrons and holes, respectively,  $n_{p0}$  is the equilibrium concentration of electrons in the base,  $W_B$  is the width of the base,  $\tau_b$  is the minority-carrier lifetime,  $L_p$  is the diffusion length for holes in the emitter and  $N_A$  and  $N_D$  are the base doping density and donor concentration in emitter, respectively.

2. Draw the small signal equivalent circuit by ignoring collector-base resistance,  $r_{\mu}$  and emitter lead series resistance,  $r_{ex}$ . Show that the ac current gain is

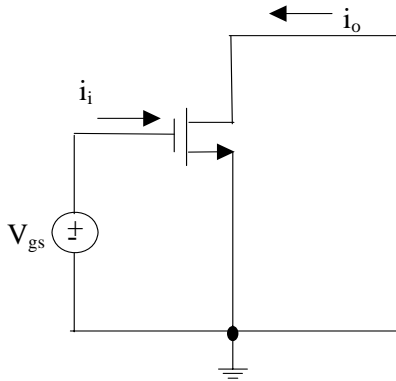
$$B(j\omega) = \frac{g_m}{j\omega(C_{\pi} + C_{\mu})} \text{ and the unity gain frequency is } f_T = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{g_m}{C_{\pi} + C_{\mu}}.$$

3. Given electron mobility  $\mu_n = 1350 \frac{cm^2}{V.S}$  and hole mobility  $\mu_p = 480 \frac{cm^2}{V.S}$ ,  $W_B = 1\mu m$ ,  $N_A = 10^{17} cm^{-3}$ ,  $N_D = 10^{18} cm^{-3}$  and  $\tau_b = 10ns$ . Calculate  $\beta_F$  using Einstein's relation,  $\frac{D}{\mu} = \frac{kT}{q}$  and  $L = \sqrt{D\tau}$ . Comment on the answer. Given also  $I_C = 2mA$ ,  $C_{\mu} = 100fF$ ,  $C_{je} = 100fF$  and  $C_b = 100fF$ , calculate  $f_T$ . Comment also on this answer.

4. Given a MOS transistor as shown in Figure 2. Draw the small signal model of the transistor. Assume  $V_{sb} = V_{ds} = 0$ ,  $g_{mb}$ ,  $r_o$ ,  $C_{sb}$  and  $C_{db}$  are ignored. Prove that

$$f_T = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{g_m}{C_{gs} + C_{gb} + C_{gd}}$$

Compare the above expression with the unity gain frequency expression for the BJT.



5. Find the overdrive voltage  $V_{ov}$ , transconductance  $g_m$  dan  $g_{mb}$ , output resistance  $r_o$  and all capacitances  $C_{sb}$ ,  $C_{db}$ ,  $C_{ox}$  and  $C_{gs}$  (in other words, derive the complete small signal model for the NMOS). Given  $I_D = 200\mu A$ ,  $V_{SB} = 1.5V$ ,  $V_{DS} = 2V$ . Device parameters are:

$\phi_f = 0.3V, W = 20\mu m, L = 1\mu m, \gamma = 0.5V^{1/2}, k' = 200 \frac{\mu A}{V^2}, \lambda = 0.02V^{-1}, t_{ox} = 10nm,$   
 $\psi_o = 0.6V, C_{sbo} = C_{dbo} = 10fF$  . Overlap capacitance from gate to source and gate to drain is 1fF. Assume  $C_{gb} = 6fF$  . Find also the unity gain frequency,  $f_T$  .