



Equivalent circuit models for an amplifier





A<sub>vo</sub>: Open-Circuit Voltage Gain

R<sub>0</sub>: Output Resistance





Various types of amplifiers

Voltage Amplifier



**Current Amplifier** 





**Transconductance Amplifier** 



$$R_i = \infty$$
$$R_o = \infty$$

Transimpedance (Transresistance) Amplifier





How can we make amplifiers with MOSFET(s)?





**CS** Amplifiers





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#### small-signal model



$$A_{vo} = \frac{v_{out}}{v_{in}} = -g_m(r_o//R_D)$$

$$R_{in} = \infty$$
$$R_{out} = r_o / / R_D$$



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Signal Swing?

Max.  $v_{OUT}$ ?  $V_{DD}$ 

When MOSFET is in cut-off

Min. v<sub>OUT</sub>?

When MOSFET enters triode region

$$v_{DS} = v_{GS} - V_T$$

 $v_{OUT} - V_{SS} = V_{GG} - V_{SS} - V_{T}$  (ignoring vs)

$$v_{OUT,min} = V_{GG} - V_{T}$$



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#### small-signal model



For large  $A_{vo}$ ,  $R_D$  should be large  $\rightarrow$  Good transconductance amplifier But large  $R_D$  is not desirable

→Use current source instead of R<sub>D</sub> (active load)



CS Amplifier with current source (active load)





CS Amplifier with current source (active load)



#### small-signal model



R<sub>out</sub> = ?

