

NAME and SID Solution Set

Note: Use the device parameters given in class. $V_t = \pm 0.5V$, $\mu_n C_{ox} = 200 \mu A/V^2$, $\mu_p C_{ox} = 100 \mu A/V^2$, $\lambda = 0.02 V^{-1}$

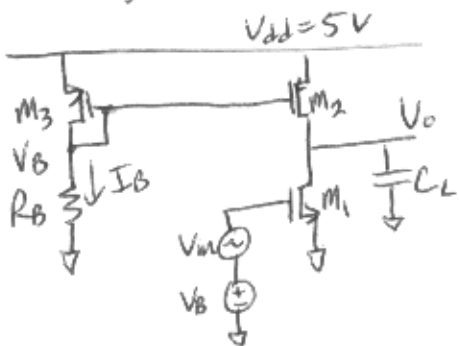
1. (30pts) Design an amplifier with a low frequency gain of at least 100 and a unity gain frequency of 5 GHz with a 10pF load. Use an NMOS-input common-source amplifier with a PMOS current source load. You may use one resistor in your circuit, and assume a 5V supply, but all other devices must be FETs (no ideal voltage source, current sources, etc.). Try to minimize the size WIDTH of your transistors. All overdrive voltages (V_{ov} or V_{dsat}) must be between 0.1 and 0.5 volts.

- Calculate the values for g_m , r_o , I_D , and V_{dsat} that you will use.
- Draw a schematic of your design and clearly label all components ($R = \dots$, $W/L = \dots$)
- Fill in the table with the data about each of your FETs.

$$g_m = \frac{2I_D}{V_{dsat}} \quad r_o = \frac{1}{\lambda I_D}$$

Specs: single stage NMOS CS amp
 $|A_{vol}| \geq 100 V/V$ $f_u = 5 GHz$ $C_L = 10pF$

Proposed design:



For M_2 , use 10 M_3 devices in parallel.

Transistor	W	L	V_{dsat}	g_m	r_o
M_1	3140 μm	1 μm	0.5V	0.314S	637 Ω
M_2	6280 μm	1 μm	0.5V	0.314S	637 Ω
M_3	628 μm	1 μm	0.5V	31.4mS	6.37k Ω
R_B	—	—	—	—	510 Ω

Unity gain spec: $f_u = \frac{g_{m1}}{2\pi C_L}$
 $\Rightarrow g_{m1} = 2\pi C_L f_u = 0.314 S$ ← pretty big!

Gain spec: $|A_{vol}| = g_{m1} r_o = g_{m1} (r_{o1} || r_{o2}) = g_{m1} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda_n I_{D1}} || \frac{1}{\lambda_p I_{D1}} \right)$

\Rightarrow Assume $\lambda_n = \lambda_p$ (thus $L_1 = L_2$) For $L_1 = L_2 = 1 \mu m$, $\lambda = 0.02 V^{-1}$

Then $|A_{vol}| = g_{m1} \frac{1}{2\lambda I_{D1}} = \frac{2I_{D1}}{V_{dsat1}} \frac{1}{2\lambda I_{D1}} = \frac{1}{V_{dsat1} \lambda}$

Note that you could assume that λ is constant here so you could have used $L = 0.35 \mu m$

$\Rightarrow V_{dsat1} = \frac{1}{|A_{vol}| \lambda} = 0.5 V$

$I_{D1} = \frac{g_{m1} V_{dsat1}}{2} = 78.5 mA$

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_1 = \frac{2I_{D1}}{\mu_n C_{ox} V_{dsat1}^2} = 3140$

Since V_{dsat} must be 0.5V or less, choose $V_{dsat2} = 0.5V$ to minimize $\left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_2$

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_2 = 2 \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_1 = 6280$ (since $\mu_{pCox} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_{nCox}$)

For simplicity and power/area savings, choose $I_B = \frac{1}{10} I_{D1} = 7.85 mA$

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_3 = 628 \quad R_B = \frac{V_B}{I_B} = \frac{V_{DD} - |V_{gs3}|}{I_B} = \frac{5V - 1V}{7.85 mA} \approx 510 \Omega$

2. (25pts) For the amplifier shown below,

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- Circle and label all differential pairs, current mirrors, gain stages.

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- Label the input(s) and the output(s)

- Which devices make up the bias network:

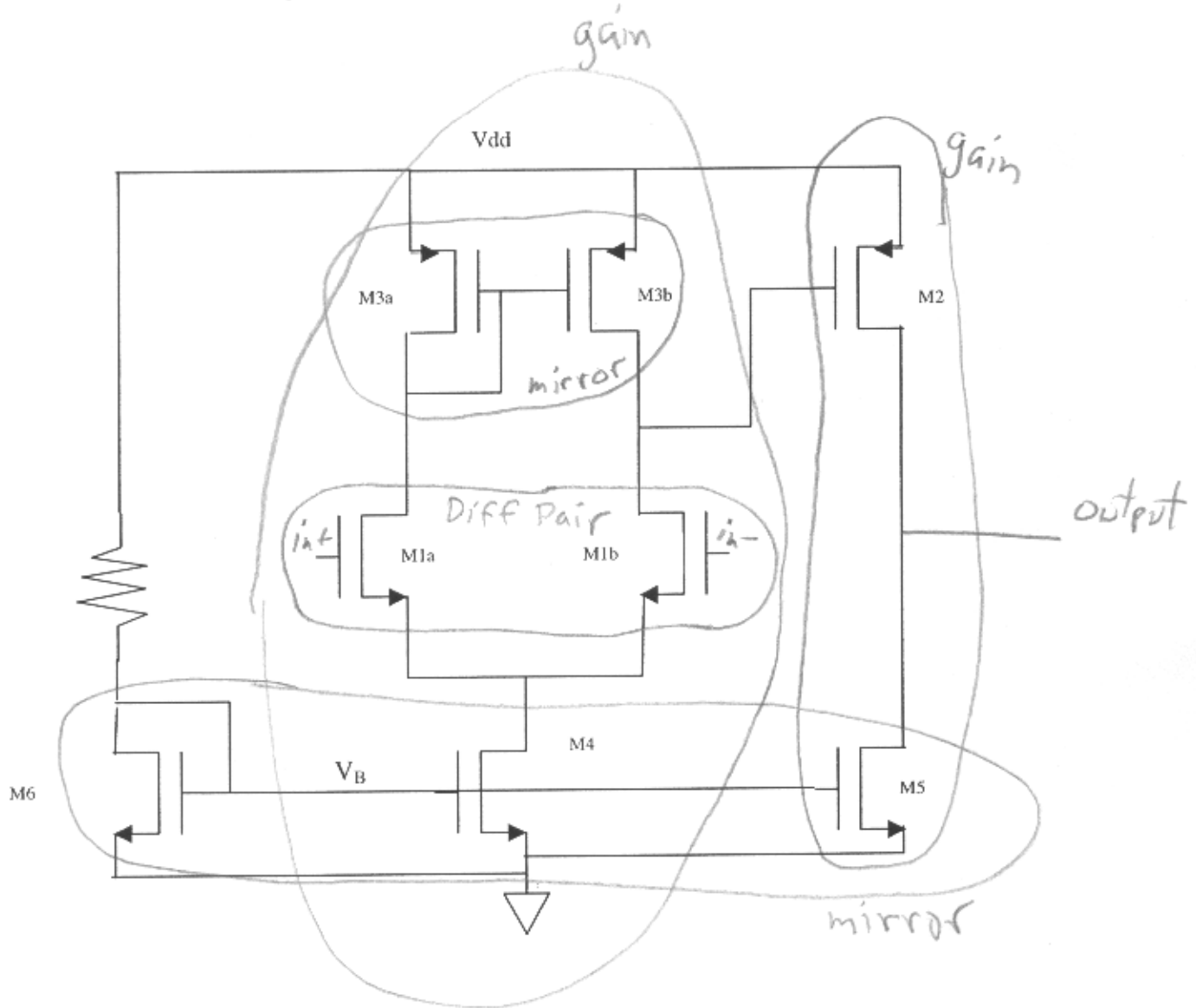
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$R, M6, M4, M5$

- Which transistors are in the signal path:

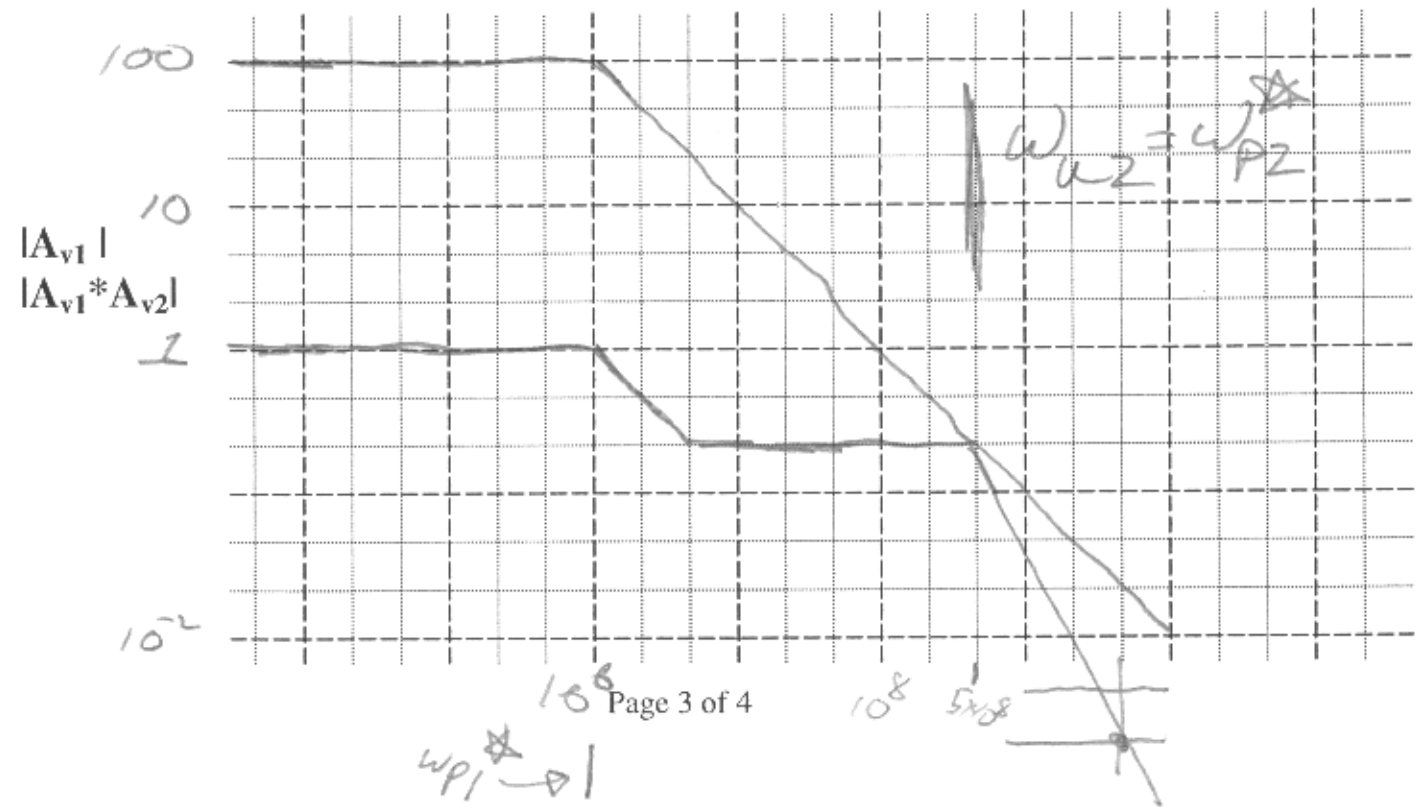
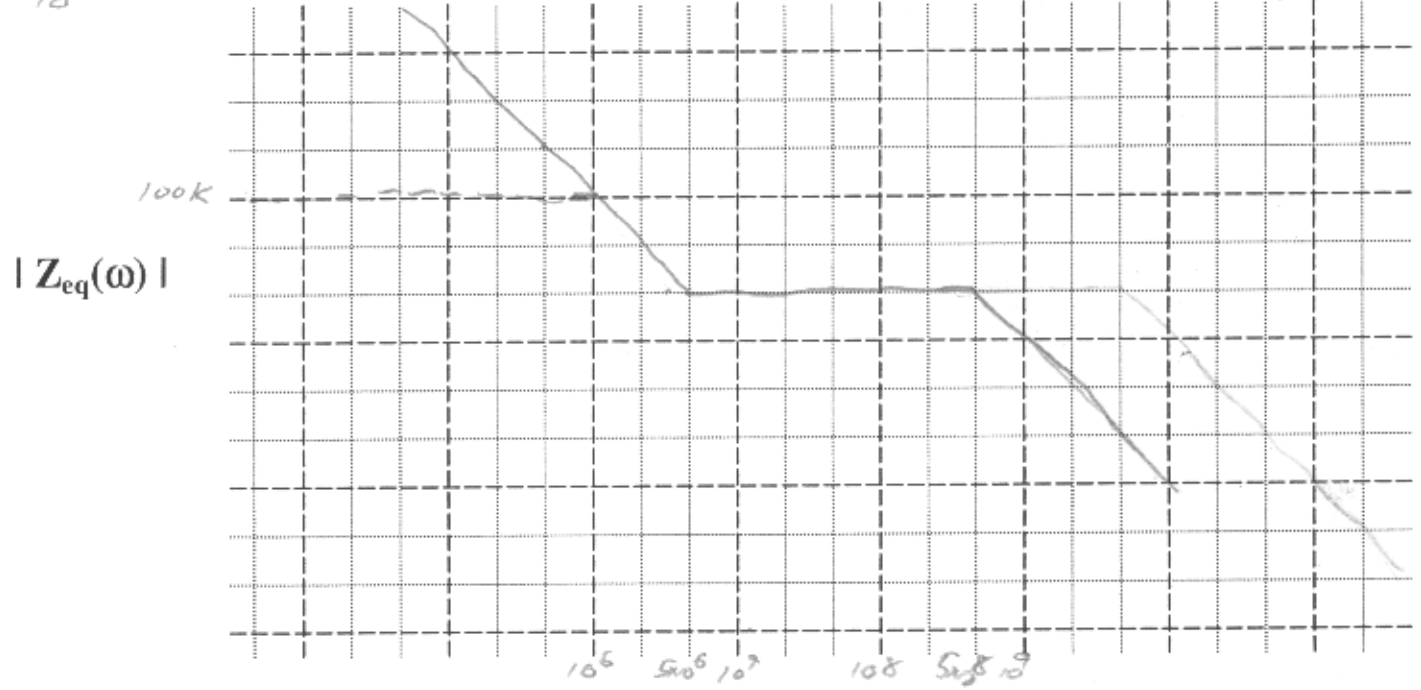
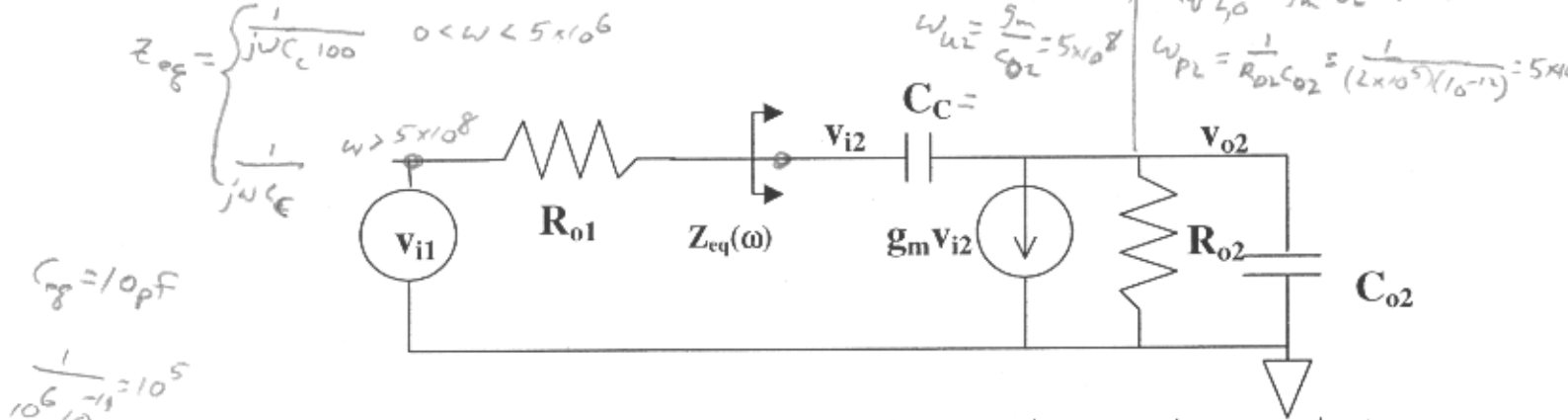
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$M1A, M3AB, M2$



2 mirrors
2 gain stages
1 diff pair
1 output
2 inputs

3) (30pts) For the amplifier below assume that $g_m=500\mu\text{S}$, $R_{o1}=100\text{k}\Omega$, $R_{o2}=200\text{k}\Omega$, $C_{o2}=1\text{pF}$, $C_C=0.1\text{pF}$. In the top plot draw the magnitude of the impedance $Z_{eq}(\omega)$ seen looking into the capacitor at node V_{i2} , and in the lower plot draw the magnitude of the first stage gain, v_{i1} to v_{i2} , and the total gain, v_{i1} to v_{o2} . LABEL AXES, poles, and magnitudes CLEARLY!



4. (15 points)

- A. You have a single stage MOS amplifier with a low frequency gain of 100, a pole frequency of 5MHz, and an output capacitance of 1pF. Calculate the unity gain frequency, the transconductance g_m , and the output resistance R_o .

See plot below which is a general single pole amp system AC response.

Given: $|A_{vol}| = g_m R_o = 100$ $\omega_p = \frac{1}{R_o C_L} = 2\pi \times 5 \text{ MHz}$ $C_L = 1 \text{ pF}$

From plot:
and above

$$\Rightarrow R_o = \frac{1}{\omega_p C_L} = 31.8 \text{ k}\Omega \Rightarrow g_m = \frac{|A_{vol}|}{R_o} = 3.14 \text{ mS}$$

$$\omega_u = \frac{g_m}{C_L} = 3.14 \text{ G rad/s} \Rightarrow f_u = 500 \text{ MHz}$$

- B. You need to design a single-stage amplifier with a gain of 5 at 10^9 rad/sec, and a DC gain of 50. Calculate the unity gain frequency, the pole frequency, and the gain at 10^7 rad/sec and 10^{10} rad/sec.

Given: $|A_{vol}| = |g_m R_o| = 50$ $A_v(10^9 \text{ rad/s}) = 5$

From plot
and above:

Gain-Bandwidth = constant for single pole amp

$$GBW = 5 \times 10^9 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_u = 5 \times 10^9 \text{ rad/s} \Rightarrow f_u = 795.8 \text{ MHz}$$

$$\omega_p = \frac{GBW}{|A_{vol}|} = 10^8 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$A_v(10^8 \text{ rad/s}) = \frac{GBW}{10^8 \text{ rad/s}} = 0.5 \text{ V/V}$$

$$A_v(10^7 \text{ rad/s}) = A_{vol} = 50 \text{ V/V} \leftarrow \text{below pole by a decade}$$

- C. You have a single-stage amplifier with an output resistance of 10^7 Ohms, a transconductance of 10mS, and a unity gain frequency of 10^9 rad/sec. What is the DC gain, the pole frequency, and the output capacitance?

Given: $R_o = 10^7 \Omega$ $g_m = 10 \text{ mS}$ $\omega_u = \frac{g_m}{C_L} = 10^9 \text{ rad/s}$

From plot
and above:

$$\Rightarrow |A_{vol}| = |g_m R_o| = 10^5 \text{ V/V}$$

$$C_L = \frac{g_m}{\omega_u} = 10 \text{ pF}$$

$$\omega_p = \frac{1}{R_o C_L} = 10^4 \text{ rad/s} \Rightarrow f_p = 1.59 \text{ kHz}$$

