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Problem 1 (30 points)

For all the circuits below, use the following NMOS parameters

$$K_{PN} = \mu_n C_{ox} = 100 \mu A/V^2, V_{TN} = 1V, \lambda_n = 0V^{-1}$$

and the following PMOS parameters

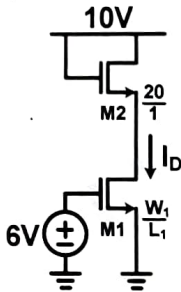
$$K_{PP} = \mu_p C_{ox} = 30 \mu A/V^2, V_{TP} = -1V, \lambda_p = 0V^{-1}$$

For the following two circuits calculate

i. I_D with $W_1/L_1 = 10/1$. (10 points)

ii. The maximum W_1/L_1 such that the M1 transistor remains in saturation (10 points)

a)



$$i. I_D = \frac{K_{PN}}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_1 (V_{GS1} - V_{TN})^2 = \frac{100 \mu}{2} (10) (6 - 1)^2 = 12.5 \text{ mA}$$

Check Sat: $V_{DS1} \geq V_{GS1} - V_{TN} = 6V - 1V = 5V$

$$V_{DS1} = V_{S2} = V_{DD} - V_{GS2} = V_{DD} - \left(\sqrt{\frac{2I_D}{K_{PN} \frac{W}{L}_2}} + V_{TN} \right) = 10V - \left(\sqrt{\frac{2(12.5 \text{ mA})}{100 \mu (20)}} + 1 \right) = 5.46V \Rightarrow \text{Sat.}$$

ii. Max $\frac{W}{L}$ occurs with I_D that sets $V_{DS1} = 5V$

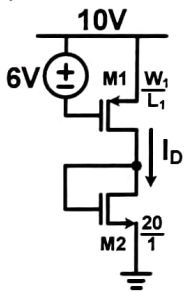
$$I_D = \frac{K_{PN}}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_2 (V_{GS2} - V_{TN})^2 = \frac{K_{PN}}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_1 (V_{DS1} - V_{TN})^2$$

$$\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_1 = \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_2 \frac{(V_{GS2} - V_{TN})^2}{(V_{DS1} - V_{TN})^2} = 20 \frac{(5 - 1)^2}{(6 - 1)^2} = 12.8$$

$$I_D (W_1/L_1 = 10/1) = 12.5 \text{ mA}$$

$$M1 \text{ Sat. Max } W_1/L_1 = 12.8$$

b)



$$i. I_D = \frac{K_{PP}}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_1 (V_{SG1} - |V_{TP}|)^2 = \frac{30 \mu}{2} (10) (6V - (-1V))^2 = 3.75 \text{ mA}$$

Check Sat: $V_{SD1} \geq V_{SG1} - |V_{TP}| = 6V - (-1V) = 5V$

$$V_{SD1} = V_{DD} - V_{GS2} = V_{DD} - \left(\sqrt{\frac{2I_D}{K_{PN} \frac{W}{L}_2}} + V_{TN} \right) = 10V - \left(\sqrt{\frac{2(3.75 \text{ mA})}{100 \mu (20)}} + 1 \right) = 7.06V \Rightarrow \text{Sat.}$$

ii. Max $\frac{W}{L}$ occurs with I_D that sets $V_{SD1} = 5V$

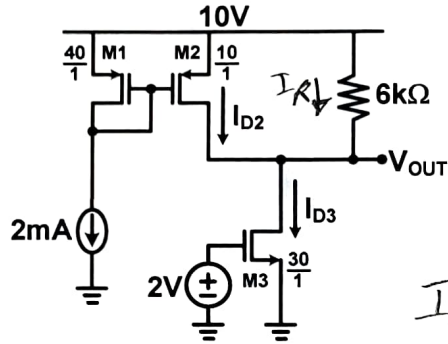
$$I_D = \frac{K_{PP}}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_1 (V_{SG1} - |V_{TP}|)^2 = \frac{K_{PP}}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_2 (V_{GS2} - V_{TN})^2$$

$$\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_1 = \frac{K_{PN} \frac{W}{L}_2 (V_{GS2} - V_{TN})^2}{K_{PP} \frac{W}{L}_1 (V_{SG1} - |V_{TP}|)^2} = \frac{100 \mu (20) (5 - 1)^2}{30 \mu (10) (6 - 1)^2} = 42.7$$

$$I_D (W_1/L_1 = 10/1) = 3.75 \text{ mA}$$

$$M1 \text{ Sat. Max } W_1/L_1 = 42.7$$

c) For the following circuit find the values for I_{D2} , I_{D3} , and V_{OUT} . Assume all transistors are operating in saturation. (10 points)



From Current Mirror

$$I_{D2} = I_{D1} \frac{(W/L)_2}{(W/L)_1} = 2\text{mA} \left(\frac{10}{40}\right) = 500\mu\text{A}$$

$$I_{D3} = \frac{K_{PN}}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_3 (V_{GS3} - V_{TN})^2 = \frac{100\mu}{2} (30) (2-1)^2 = 1.5\text{mA}$$

$$I_{D2} = 500\mu\text{A}$$

$$I_{D3} = 1.5\text{mA}$$

$$I_R = I_{D3} - I_{D2} = 1.5\text{mA} - 0.5\text{mA} = 1\text{mA}$$

$$V_{OUT} = 4\text{V}$$

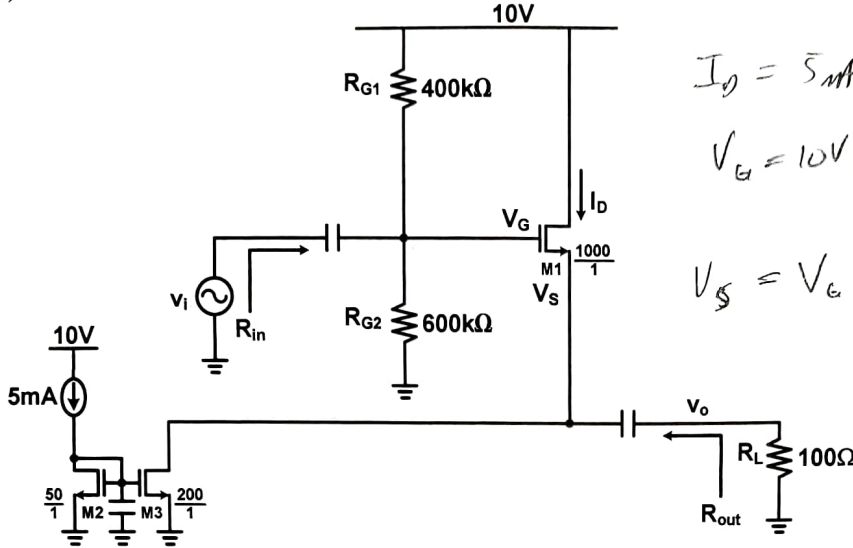
$$V_{OUT} = V_{DD} - I_R R = 10\text{V} - 1\text{mA} (6\text{k}\Omega) = 4\text{V}$$

Problem 2 (35 points)

Assume for problem 2 that the NMOS transistors are all operating in saturation and have

$$K_{PN} = \mu_n C_{ox} = 100 \mu A/V^2, V_{TN} = 1V, \lambda_N = 0V^{-1}$$

a) Calculate the DC values for I_D , V_G , V_S and the AC small-signal g_{m1} . (10 points)



$$I_D = 5mA \left(\frac{200}{50} \right) = 20mA$$

$$V_G = 10V \left(\frac{600K}{400K + 600K} \right) = 6V$$

$$V_S = V_G - \left(\sqrt{\frac{2I_D}{K_{PN} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)}} + V_{TN} \right)$$

$$= 6V - \left(\sqrt{\frac{2(20mA)}{100\mu(1000)}} + 1 \right)$$

$$= 4.37V$$

$$I_D = 20mA$$

$$V_G = 6V$$

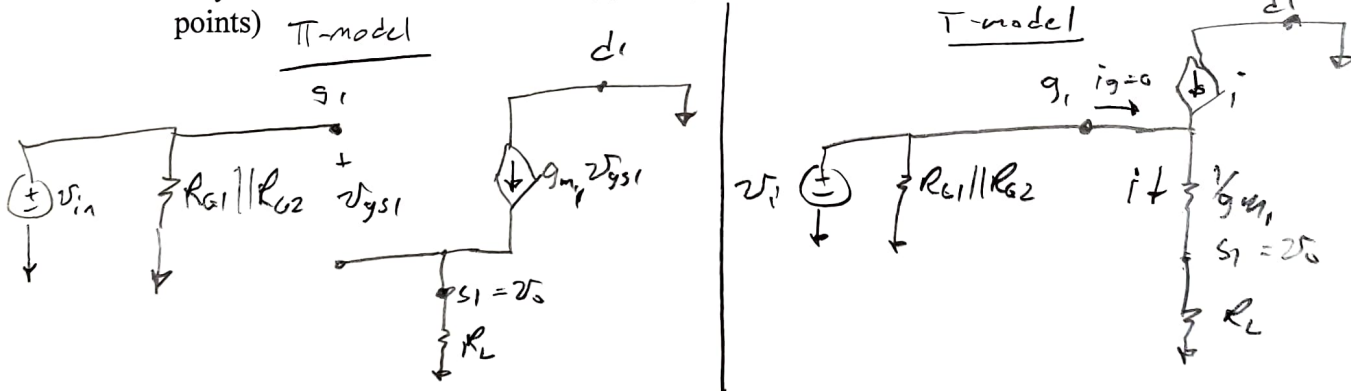
$$V_S = 4.37V$$

$$g_{m1} = 63.2 mA/V$$

$$g_{m1} = \sqrt{K_{PN} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right) 2I_D} = \sqrt{(100\mu)(1000)(2)(20mA)}$$

$$= 63.2 mA/V$$

b) Sketch the small-signal model of the circuit. Assume that the capacitors act as AC shorts and only draw the essential transistor(s). Only ONE version of the model (π or T) is required. (10 points)



c) Calculate small signal gain $A_v = v_o/v_i$, input resistance R_{in} , output resistance R_{out} . (15 points)

$$A_v = \frac{g_{m1} R_L}{1 + g_{m1} R_L} = \frac{(63.2 mA/V)(100)}{1 + (63.2 mA/V)(100)} = 0.863 V/V$$

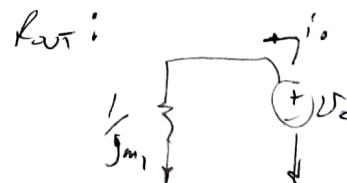
$$A_v = 0.863 V/V$$

$$R_{in} = R_G = 400k \parallel 600k = 240k\Omega$$

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$$R_{out} = \frac{1}{g_{m1}} = \frac{1}{63.2 mA/V} = 15.8\Omega$$

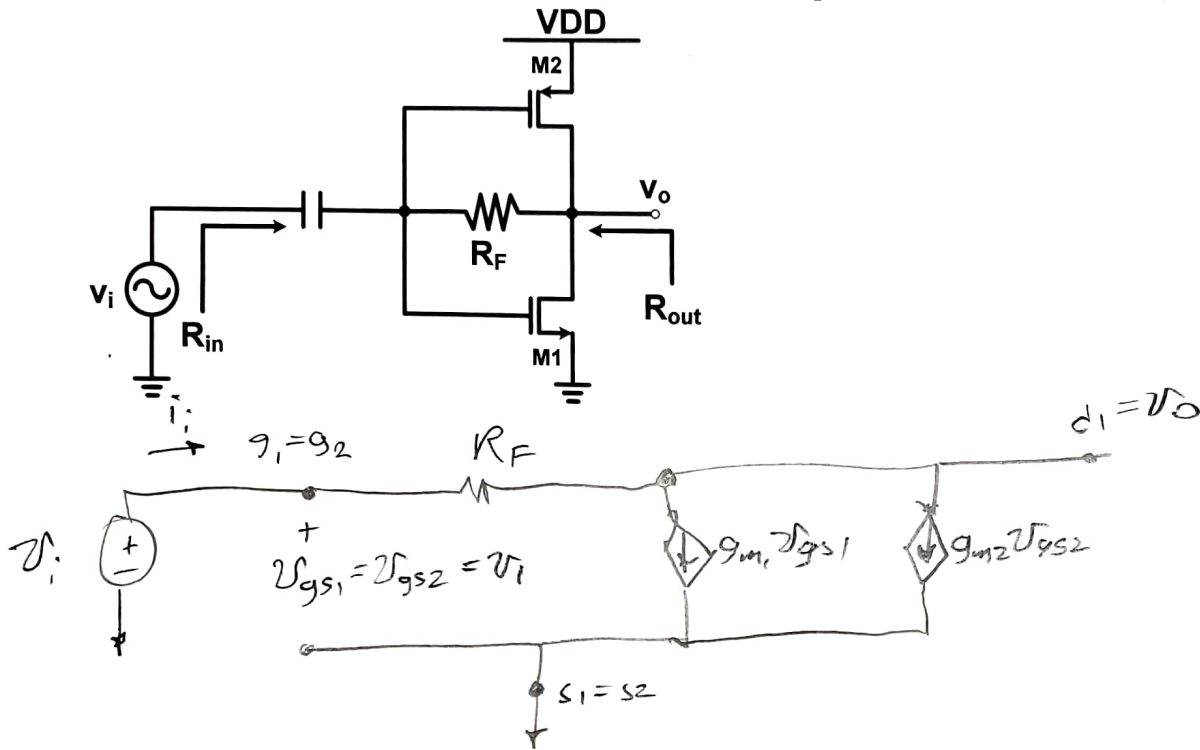
$$R_{out} = 15.8\Omega$$



Problem 3 (35 points)

This problem involves the small signal analysis of the circuit below. Assume that the transistors are all operating in saturation and have $r_o = \infty$.

a) Sketch the circuit's small-signal model. Assume the capacitors act as AC shorts. (15 points)



b) Derive expressions for the small signal gain $A_v = v_o/v_i$, input resistance R_{in} , and output resistance R_{out} . (20 points)

KCL at v_o :

$$\frac{v_o - v_i}{R_F} + g_{m1}v_i + g_{m2}v_i = 0$$

$$v_o \left(\frac{1}{R_F} \right) = v_i \left(\frac{1}{R_F} - g_{m1} - g_{m2} \right)$$

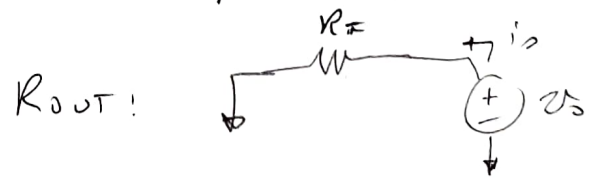
$$A_v = \frac{v_o}{v_i} = 1 - (g_{m1} + g_{m2})R_F$$

$R_{in} : i_i = (g_{m1} + g_{m2})v_i$

$$\frac{v_i}{i_i} = \frac{1}{g_{m1} + g_{m2}}$$

$$A_v = 1 - (g_{m1} + g_{m2})R_F$$

$$R_{in} = \frac{1}{g_{m1} + g_{m2}}$$



$$R_{out} = R_F$$