

NAME: SOLUTION SET

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MAXIMUM POINTS: 100

**EECE 322: Electronics-II (Spring 2013, University of New Mexico)**  
**MID TERM EXAMINATION-I**

**RULES:**

- Write your name on the top left corner
- Time Allotted = 75 Minutes
- Closed Book and Closed Notes
- You are allowed one single sided 8.5 x 11 page of formulae
- You may use a scientific calculator
- Write your answers on the question paper. You may use additional sheets if needed.

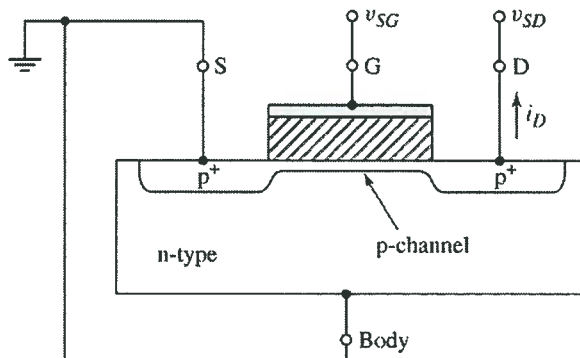
**HINTS:**

- Please read the questions carefully and only provide only the information that is requested. This will save you time.
- If you are stuck in a particular question, move on to the next and come back to the question later. Solving the easy problems will give you confidence to solve the more challenging questions.

**Section A: Conceptual Questions**

**Multiple Choice: Circle the correct answer. ( 60 Points)**

1. Consider the transistor shown below.



5 Points

Which of these statements about this transistor is true?

- a. This is a normally off PMOS with no body effect
- b. This is a normally on PMOS with no body effect
- c. This is a normally off PMOS with body effect
- d. This is a normally on NMOS with body effect

## MOSFET

- 2 Consider an NMOS enhancement mode MOSFET with the following parameters.

$V_{TN}=0.4V$ ,  $W=20\mu m$ ,  $L=0.8\mu m$ ,  $\mu_n=650cm^2/Vs$ ,  $t_{ox}=20nm$ , and  $\epsilon_{ox}=(3.9)\epsilon_0$ , where

$\epsilon_0=8.85 \times 10^{-14} F/cm$ . Determine the current when the transistor is biased in saturation with  $V_{GS}=1.6V$ .

5 Points

$$K_n = \frac{W}{2L} \frac{\mu_n \epsilon_{ox}}{t_{ox}} = 1.40 mA/V^2$$

$$V_{GS} = 1.6V \quad \text{In saturation}$$

$$I_{DQ} = K_n (V_{GSQ} - V_{TN})^2$$

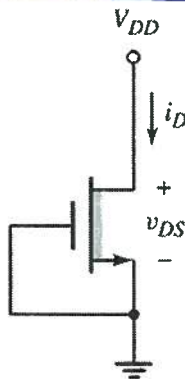
$$= 2.02 mA$$

- 3 Consider the transistor below. Which of these statements is true?

- This transistor is always in saturation
- This transistor is always in non-saturation
- This transistor is always in cut-off

5 Points

- d. The state of this transistor depends on the biasing conditions.



Depletion mode  
load

- 4 A transistor has a threshold voltage of  $V_{TN}=1V$ ,  $K_n=0.1 \text{ mA/V}^2$  and  $V_{GS}=2.35V$ . Calculate the transition point of the transistor (i.e. determine the value of  $V_{DS}$  that makes the transistor go from saturation to non-saturation).

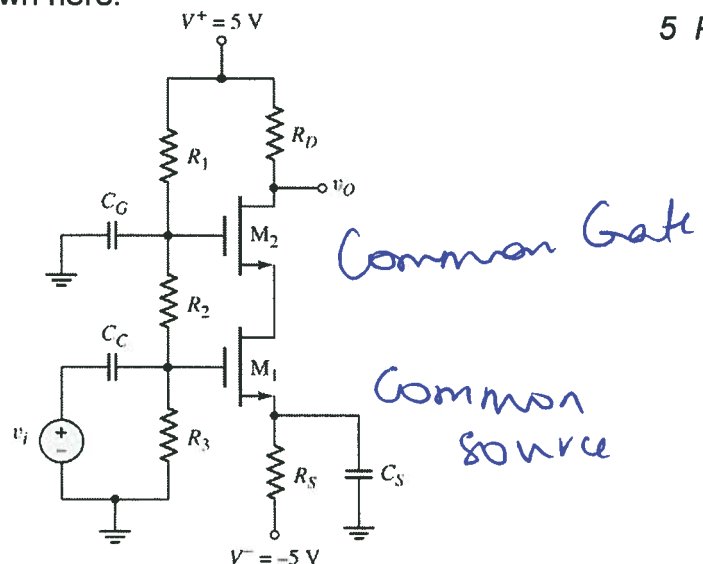
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Transition point is the same as  $V_{DS}(\text{sat})$  since  $V_{GS}$  is fixed

$$V_{DS}(\text{sat}) = (V_{GS} - V_{TN}) = \underline{\underline{1.35V}}$$

5. Consider the circuit shown here.

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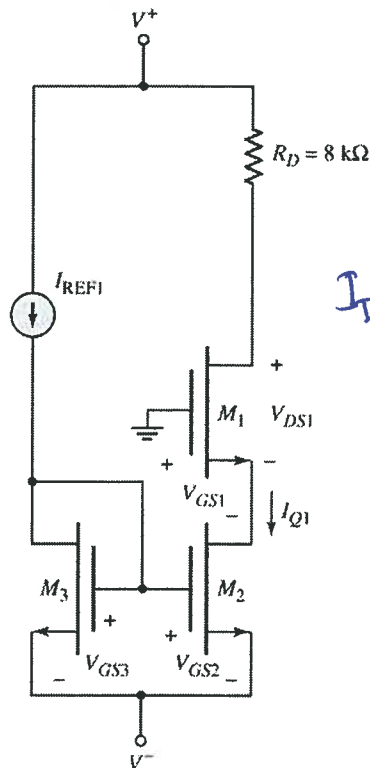


In this circuit,

- The first stage is a common gate amplifier and the second stage is common source amplifier
- The first stage is a common source amplifier and the second stage is common gate amplifier
- The first stage is a common gate amplifier and the second stage is common drain amplifier
- The first stage is a common drain amplifier and the second stage is common gate amplifier

6. For the circuit shown below, assume that  $I_{REF1}=120\mu A$ ,  $V^+=3V$ ,  $V^-=-3V$  and the transistor parameters are  $V_{TN}=0.4V$ ,  $\lambda=0$ ,  $K_{n1}=50\mu A/V^2$ ,  $K_{n2}=30\mu A/V^2$  and  $K_{n3}=60\mu A/V^2$ . Determine  $I_{Q1}$ .

6 Points



$$I_{REF1} = I_{DQ3}$$

$$I_{DQ3} = K_{n3} (V_{GSQ3} - V_{TN})^2$$

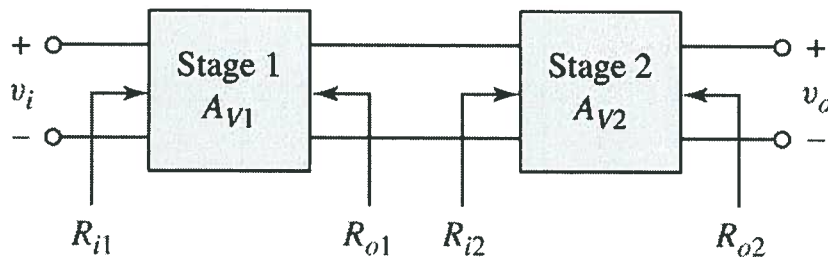
$$I_{DQ1} = I_{DQ2} = K_{n2} (V_{GSQ2} - V_{TN})^2$$

Since  $V_{GSQ2} = V_{GSQ3}$ , and

$$K_{n3} = 2K_{n2}$$

$$I_{DQ1} = I_{Q1} = \underline{\underline{60\mu A}}$$

7. Consider this two stage amplifier. Write an expression for the overall gain of this amplifier (i.e.  $A_v = v_o/v_i$ )



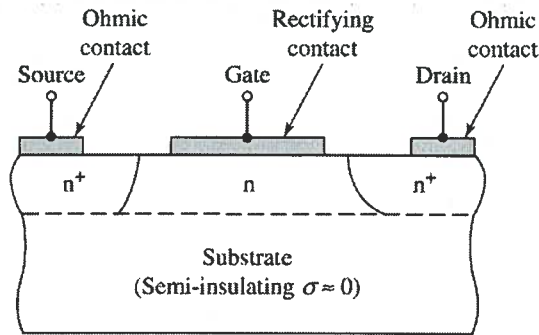
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$$A_v = \left[ \frac{R_{i2}}{R_{i2} + R_{o1}} \right] A_{V1} \times A_{V2}$$

8. The schematic below is that of a

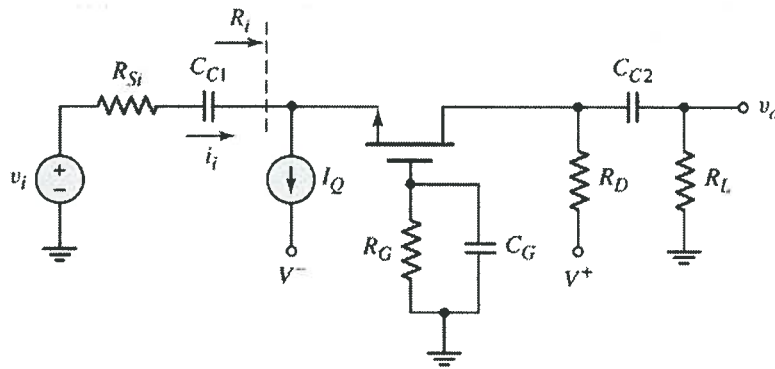
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- a. Enhancement mode MESFET
- b. Enhancement mode MOSFET
- c. Depletion mode JFET
- d. Depletion mode MESFET



9. In the circuit below, what is the value of  $R_i$  (input resistance to an AC source). Given that  $g_m = 2\text{mA/V}$ ,  $\lambda = 0$ ,  $R_{Si} = 1\text{K}\Omega$ ,  $R_G = 100\text{M}\Omega$ ,  $R_D = R_L = 10\text{K}\Omega$ .

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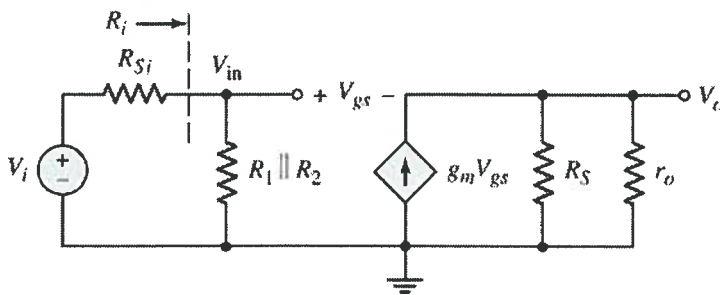


$R_i$  for common gate amplifier =  $\frac{1}{g_m}$

$$R_i = \frac{1}{2\text{mA/V}} = \underline{\underline{500\Omega}}$$

10. What is the overall gain ( $A_v = V_o/V_i$ ) for the circuit shown below.

10 Points



Common Drain Amplifier

$$V_o = g_m V_{gs} (R_S \parallel r_o)$$

$$V_i = V_{gs} + V_o \Rightarrow V_{gs} = (V_i - V_o)$$

$$V_o = g_m (R_S \parallel r_o) (V_i - V_o)$$

$$V_o (1 + g_m (R_S \parallel r_o)) = g_m (R_S \parallel r_o) V_i$$

$$A_v = \frac{V_o}{V_i} = \frac{g_m (R_S \parallel r_o)}{1 + g_m (R_S \parallel r_o)}$$

## Section B: Problems (40 Points)

B.1 The transistor in the common-gate circuit in the figure below has transistor parameters of  $V_{TN} = 0.4 \text{ V}$ ,  $k'_n = 100 \mu\text{A/V}^2$ , and  $\lambda = 0$ . The output resistance  $R_o$  is to be  $500 \Omega$  and the drain-to-source quiescent voltage is to be  $V_{DSQ} = V_{DS}(\text{sat}) + 0.3 \text{ V}$ .

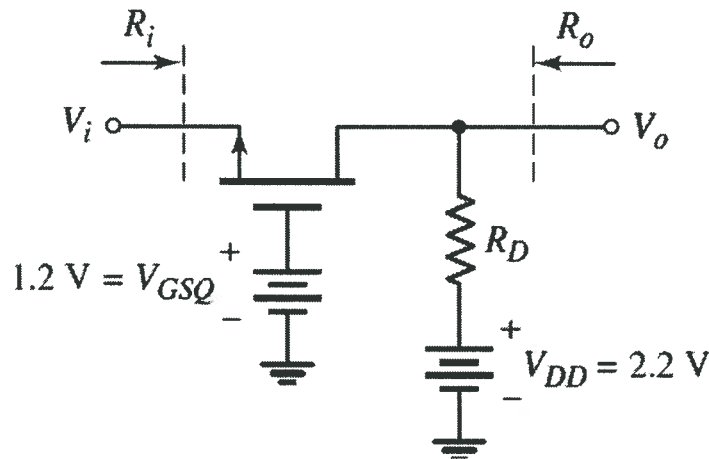
(a) What is the value of  $R_D$ ?

(b) What is the quiescent drain current  $I_{DQ}$ ?

20 Points

(c) Find the input resistance  $R_i$ .

(d) Determine the small-signal voltage gain  $A_v = V_o/V_i$ .



(a) Common gate amplifier

$$R_o = R_D = 500 \Omega$$

(b)  $V_{GSQ} = 1.2 \text{ V}$

Doing KVL on DS loop

$$I_{DQ} = \frac{V_{DD} - V_{DS}}{R_D} = \frac{2.2 - (V_{DS}(\text{sat}) + 0.3)}{0.5}$$

$$= \frac{2.2 - (1.2 - 0.4 + 0.3)}{0.5} = \underline{\underline{2.2 \text{ mA}}}$$

(c)  $g_m = 2\sqrt{k_n I_{DQ}} =$

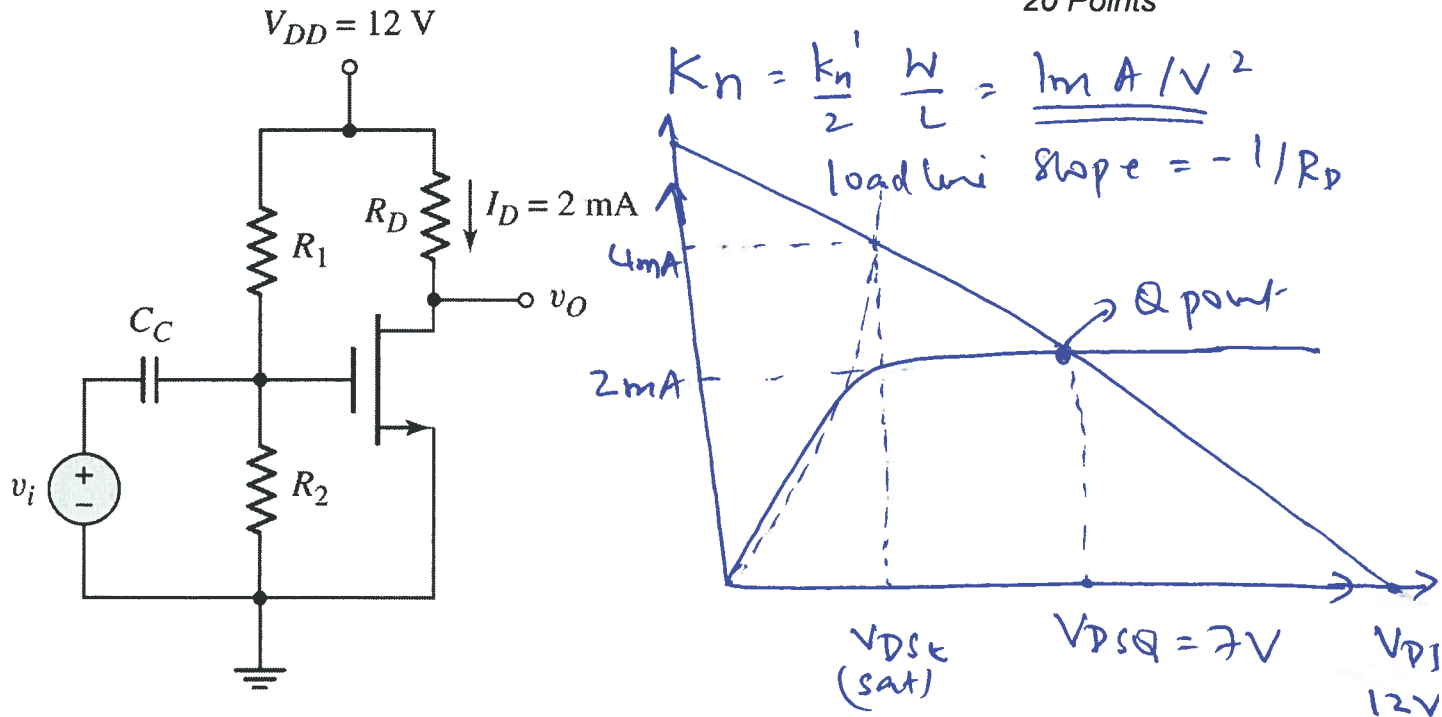
$$I_{DQ} = k_n (V_{GSQ} - V_{TN})^2 = k_n = 3.44 \text{ mA/V}^2$$

$$g_m = 5.5 \text{ mA/V} \text{ and } R_i = \frac{1}{g_m} = \underline{\underline{182 \Omega}}$$

(d)  $A_v = g_m R_D = \underline{\underline{+2.75}}$

B.2 The circuit below has a Q-point with  $I_{DQ}=2\text{mA}$ .  $R_1||R_2$  is equal to  $100\text{K}\Omega$ . Design the circuit (calculate the values of all the resistors) such that the Q-point is in the middle of the saturation region. The transistor parameters are  $V_{TN}=1\text{V}$ ,  $k'_n = 80\mu\text{A/V}^2$ ,  $W/L = 25$ , and  $\lambda = 0.015\text{ V}^{-1}$ . Hint: In the saturation region,  $V_{DS}$  is bounded by  $V_{DD}$  on one side and  $V_{DS}(\text{sat})$  on the other. The values of the drain current at these two points will help you determine the range of the drain current along the load line.

20 Points



Since the transistor is biased in the center of saturation region  $I_{Dt}$  ( $I_D$  at transition point) =  $4\text{mA}$

$$I_{Dt} = 4 = K_n (V_{Gst} - V_{TN})^2 = \underline{\underline{V_{Gst} = 3\text{V}}}$$

$$V_{DSt} = V_{Gst} - V_{TN} = \underline{\underline{2\text{V}}}$$

Since transistor Q-point is midway between

$$V_{DSt} \text{ \& } V_{DD}, \quad \underline{\underline{V_{DSQ} = 7\text{V}}}$$

$$R_D = \frac{V_{DD} - V_{DSQ}}{I_{DQ}} = \frac{12 - 7}{2} = \underline{\underline{2.5\text{k}\Omega}}$$



So we need to find  $V_{GSQ}$

$$I_{DQ} = 2 = K_n (V_{GSQ} - V_{TN})^2$$

$$V_{GSQ} = 2.41V$$

$$V_{GSQ} = 2.41 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} V_{DD} = \frac{1}{R_1} R_2 V_{DD}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{R_1 = 498k\Omega \text{ \& } R_2 = 125k\Omega}}$$