

The fab line data for an n-channel MOSFET: $N_A = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $t_{ox} = 30 \text{ nm}$, $V_{TN0} = 0.7 \text{ V}$, $\mu_n = 430 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-sec}$, and $(\lambda, C_{gs0}, C_{gd0}) \rightarrow 0$. Other relevant data: $V_T = 26 \text{ mV}$, $\epsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-14} \text{ F/cm}$, $\epsilon_r(\text{Si}) = 11.7$, $\epsilon_r(\text{SiO}_2) = 3.9$, $q = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$, $n_i = 1.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

- Design the values (in μm) of W and L , such that with the device biased in saturation with the lowest allowed values of the gate overdrive voltage and the corresponding V_{DS} , it should have unity-gain cutoff frequency (f_T) of 5 GHz and device power dissipation of 100 nW . 8
- If the designed device is biased with $V_G = 3 \text{ V}$, $V_D = 1.5 \text{ V}$, $V_S = 1 \text{ V}$, and $V_B = 0 \text{ V}$, determine the drain current I_D . 4
- If the values of V_G and V_S are maintained as in part b), but now V_D is changed to 3 V , determine the required value of V_B that will make the device operate with a body factor (χ) of 0.1 . 3

a) $\Delta V = V_{GT} \rightarrow \Delta V_{min} = 3V_T = \underline{78 \text{ mV}} = V_{DS, sat} = V_{DS, min}$ (80 mV also acceptable)
 $f_T = \frac{g_m}{2\pi C_{gs}}$ \because In sat., $C_{gd} = C_{gd0} \rightarrow 0$, as per given data. answers will change a little

In sat., $g_m = K'_N \left(\frac{W}{L}\right) V_{GT}$ & $C_{gs} = \frac{2}{3} WL C_{ox} \Rightarrow f_T = \frac{3K'_N V_{GT}}{4\pi L^2 C_{ox}}$
 $C_{ox} = \frac{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_r}{t_{ox}} = \frac{3.9 \epsilon_0}{30 \text{ nm}} = \underline{1.15 \times 10^{-7} \text{ F/cm}^2}$ $K'_N = \mu_n C_{ox} = \underline{49.5 \mu\text{A/V}^2}$

$\Rightarrow L^2 = \frac{3K'_N V_{GT}}{4\pi C_{ox} f_T} = \underline{1.6 \times 10^{-9}} \Rightarrow L = 4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm} = \underline{0.4 \mu\text{m}}$

$P_D = 100 \text{ nW} = V_{DS, sat} \times I_D \Rightarrow I_D = \underline{1.28 \mu\text{A}} = \frac{K'_N}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right) V_{GT}^2$ ($\because \lambda \rightarrow 0$)

$\Rightarrow W = \frac{2 I_D L}{K'_N V_{GT}^2} = \underline{3.4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}} = \underline{3.4 \mu\text{m}} \Rightarrow \underline{(W/L) = 8.5}$

b) $V_{GS} = \underline{2 \text{ V}}$ $V_{DS} = \underline{0.5 \text{ V}}$ $V_{SB} = \underline{1 \text{ V}}$ $\phi_F = V_T \ln \frac{N_A}{n_i} = \underline{0.35 \text{ V}} \Rightarrow 2\phi_F = \underline{0.7 \text{ V}}$

$\gamma = \frac{\sqrt{2q \epsilon_0 N_A}}{C_{ox}} = \underline{0.5 \text{ V}^{1/2}} \Rightarrow V_{TN} = V_{TN0} + \gamma (\sqrt{2\phi_F + V_{SB}} - \sqrt{2\phi_F}) = \underline{0.9336 \text{ V}}$

$\Rightarrow V_{GT} = \underline{1.0664 \text{ V}} > V_{DS} \Rightarrow \underline{\text{Linear mode of operation.}}$

$\Rightarrow I_D = K'_N \left(\frac{W}{L}\right) \left(V_{GT} V_{DS} - \frac{V_{DS}^2}{2}\right) = \underline{171.75 \mu\text{A}}$

c) $V_G = V_D = 3 \text{ V}$ & $V_S = 1 \text{ V} \Rightarrow V_{GS} = V_{DS} = 2 \text{ V} \Rightarrow \underline{\text{Sat.}}$

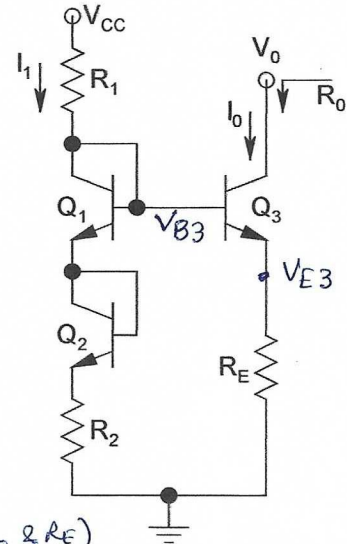
\because Small-Signal Model parameters can be evaluated,

$\chi = \frac{\gamma}{2\sqrt{2\phi_F + V_{SB}}} = 0.1 \Rightarrow V_{SB} = \underline{5.55 \text{ V}} \Rightarrow \underline{V_B = -4.55 \text{ V}}$

* χ independent of I_D . With change in V_B , I_D will change, but no effect of that! on χ .

All BJTs in the circuit shown are identical with $(\beta, V_A) \rightarrow \infty$ [for parts a)-d)].

- Show that I_0 is a function only of V_{CC} and R_E , if $R_1 = R_2$. 4
- If $I_0 = I_1$, how is R_E related to R_1 (or R_2 , since $R_1 = R_2$)? 2
- If $V_{CC} = 5$ V, determine $R_1 (= R_2)$ and R_E to give $I_0 = 1$ mA. 2
- What is $V_{0,min}$? Is the value acceptable to you? Comment. 2
- Only for this part, assuming $\beta = 100$, $V_A = 100$ V, I_0 and I_1 remain at 1 mA, and using the values of $R_1 (= R_2)$ and R_E calculated in part c), estimate the output resistance R_0 . 5



a) $\beta \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow$ Base Current Neglected.

$$\Rightarrow V_{B3} = 2V_{BE} + I_1 R_2 \quad \& \quad I_1 = \frac{V_{CC} - 2V_{BE}}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{B3} = \frac{V_{CC}}{2} + V_{BE} \quad (\because R_1 = R_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{E3} = V_{B3} - V_{BE} = \frac{V_{CC}}{2} \Rightarrow I_0 = \frac{V_{E3}}{R_E} = \frac{V_{CC}}{2R_E} \quad (\text{fn. only of } V_{CC} \& R_E)$$

$$\text{b) } I_0 = I_1 \Rightarrow \frac{V_{CC}}{2R_E} = \frac{V_{CC} - 2V_{BE}}{2R_1} \Rightarrow R_1 = R_2 = R_E \left[1 - \frac{2V_{BE}}{V_{CC}} \right]$$

$$\text{c) } R_E = \frac{V_{CC}}{2I_0} = \frac{5 \text{ V}}{2 \times 1 \text{ mA}} = 2.5 \text{ k}\Omega \quad \& \quad R_1 = R_2 = 2.5 \text{ k}\Omega \times \left[1 - \frac{2 \times 0.7}{5} \right] = 1.8 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$\text{d) } V_{0,min} = V_{CE3}(SS) + I_0 R_E = 0.2 + 1 \text{ mA} \times 2.5 \text{ k}\Omega = 2.7 \text{ V}$$

Horrendous value, \because it's more than 50% of V_{CC} !

e) To a first-order, base of Q_3 is at ac gnd.

\because By inspection: $R_0 = r_{o3} [1 + g_{m3} R_{eff}]$ with $R_{eff} = r_{\pi3} || R_E$

$$r_{E3} = \frac{V_T}{I_0} = 26 \Omega \quad g_{m3} = \frac{1}{r_{E3}} = \frac{1}{26} \text{ S} \quad r_{\pi3} = \beta r_{E3} = \underline{2.6 \text{ k}\Omega}$$

$$R_{eff} = 2.6 \text{ k}\Omega || 2.5 \text{ k}\Omega = \underline{1.275 \text{ k}\Omega}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_0 = 100 \text{ k}\Omega \times \left(1 + \frac{1}{26} \times 1.275 \text{ k}\Omega \right) = \underline{5 \text{ M}\Omega}$$

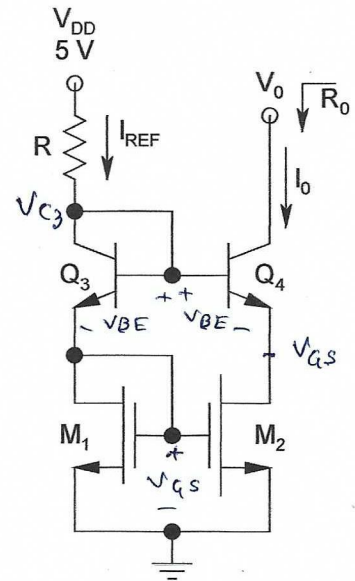
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$$r_{o3} = \frac{V_A}{I_0} = \underline{100 \text{ k}\Omega}$$

In the BiMOS (combination of BJT and MOS) cascode current source shown in the figure, M_1 - M_2 is a *perfectly matched pair*, and so is Q_3 - Q_4 . Neglect DC base current, and assume that $\lambda V_{DS} \ll 1$.

Data: for M_1 - M_2 : $V_{TN0} = 0.7$ V, $k'_N = 40 \mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2$, $\gamma = 0.4 \text{ V}^{1/2}$, $2\phi_F = 0.6$ V;
for Q_3 - Q_4 : $\beta = 100$, $V_A = 100$ V.

- Show that $R_0 \approx \beta r_{o4}$. Clearly highlight all the assumptions made in arriving at this result. 5
- Choose the values of I_{REF} , R , and (W/L) of M_1 - M_2 , in order to have R_0 and $V_{0,\min}$ of $1 \text{ G}\Omega$ and 1 V respectively. 7
- What is the most critical parameter and what should be its value for the assumption made in the derivation of R_0 [part a)] to hold? An error band of 5% is acceptable. 3



a) Base of Q_4 and Gate of M_2 at ac gnd.

$$\Rightarrow \text{By inspection: } R_0 = r_{o4} (1 + g_{m4} R_{eff})$$

$$R_{eff} = r_{\pi 4} \parallel r_{o2} \quad \text{Now, if } r_{o2} \gg r_{\pi 4} \Rightarrow R_{eff} \approx r_{\pi 4}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_0 \approx r_{o4} (1 + g_{m4} r_{\pi 4}) = r_{o4} (1 + \beta) \quad (\because \beta = g_{m4} r_{\pi 4})$$

$$\Rightarrow R_0 \approx \beta r_{o4} \quad (\text{if } \beta \gg 1)$$

b) $R_0 = \beta r_{o4} = 1 \text{ G}\Omega \Rightarrow r_{o4} = 10 \text{ M}\Omega = \frac{V_A}{I_0} \Rightarrow \boxed{I_0 = I_{REF} = 10 \mu\text{A}}$ (Current Mirror)

$$V_{0,\min} = V_{CE4}(ss) + V_{DS2} = V_{CE4}(ss) + V_{D2} = V_{CE4}(ss) + V_{GS} = \underline{1 \text{ V}}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{GS} = 1 - V_{CE4}(ss) = 1 - 0.2 = \underline{0.8 \text{ V}}$$

$$V_{TN} = V_{TN0} \quad (\because M_1 \& M_2 \text{ has bodies connected to gnd.}) = \underline{0.7 \text{ V}} \Rightarrow V_{GT} = \underline{0.1 \text{ V}}$$

$$\Rightarrow I_{REF} = \frac{k'_N}{2} \frac{W}{L} V_{GT}^2 \quad (\because \lambda V_{DS} \ll 1) \Rightarrow \boxed{\left(\frac{W}{L}\right) = 50}$$

$$V_{C3} = V_{BE} + V_{GS} = \underline{1.5 \text{ V}} \Rightarrow R = \frac{V_{DD} - V_{C3}}{I_{REF}} = \boxed{350 \text{ k}\Omega}$$

c) Mosh imp. assumption: $r_{o2} \gg r_{\pi 4} \Rightarrow \text{Mosh imp. parameter} \Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda_2}$

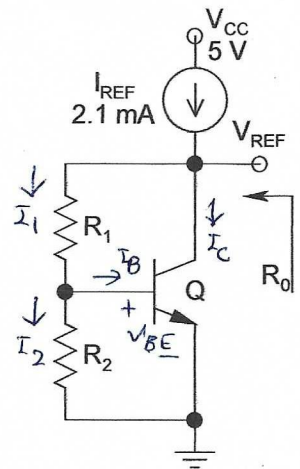
$$\text{For 5\% error, } r_{o2} \approx 20 r_{\pi 4} = 20 \beta r_{e4} = 20 \times 100 \times \frac{26 \text{ mV}}{10 \mu\text{A}} = \boxed{5.2 \text{ M}\Omega}$$

$$r_{o2} \geq \frac{1}{\lambda_2 I_0} \Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda_2 \leq \frac{1}{r_{o2} I_0} \leq 0.02 \text{ V}^{-1}}$$

$$\boxed{\lambda_2 V_{DS} = 0.016 \ll 1}$$

A DC reference voltage (V_{REF}) generator circuit is shown in the figure. For Q, assume $\beta = 100$, and neglect Early effect. The DC current source I_{REF} is ideal.

- Choosing the base current of Q to be 20% of the current flowing through R_1 , design the values of R_1 and R_2 to produce $V_{REF} = 2$ V. *Caution: Do not use equations blindly.* 5
- Quantitatively prove that the DC power of the circuit is a conserved quantity, i.e., the DC power supplied by V_{CC} is completely dissipated in the circuit. 4
- What is the ac small-signal resistance (R_0) of the designed voltage reference? Is it acceptable? Why or why not? 6



$$a) I_{REF} = I_C + I_1 = 2.1 \text{ mA} \quad I_C = \beta I_B = 100 I_B \quad I_B = 0.2 I_1$$

$$\Rightarrow I_C = 20 I_1 \Rightarrow I_1 = 100 \mu\text{A} \quad I_C = 2 \text{ mA} \quad I_B = 20 \mu\text{A}$$

$$I_2 = I_1 - I_B = 80 \mu\text{A} \quad V_{BE} = I_2 R_2 \Rightarrow R_2 = \frac{V_{BE}}{I_2} = \frac{0.7}{80 \mu\text{A}} = 8.75 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_1 = \frac{V_{REF} - V_{BE}}{I_1} = \frac{2 - 0.7}{100 \mu\text{A}} = 13 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$b) \text{ Power supplied by } V_{CC} = V_{CC} \times I_{REF} = 5 \times 2.1 = 10.5 \text{ mW}$$

$$\text{Power dissipated} = P_{I_{REF}} + P_Q + P_{R_1} + P_{R_2} = (V_{CC} - V_{REF}) \times I_{REF} + V_{CE} \times I_C + V_{BE} \times I_B + I_1^2 R_1 + I_2^2 R_2$$

$$= (5 - 2) \times 2.1 \text{ mA} + 2 \times 2 \text{ mA} + 0.7 \times 20 \mu\text{A} + (100 \mu\text{A})^2 \times 13 \text{ k}\Omega + (80 \mu\text{A})^2 \times 8.75 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$= 6.3 \text{ mW} + 4 \text{ mW} + 14 \mu\text{W} + 130 \mu\text{W} + 56 \mu\text{W} = 10.5 \text{ mW} \Rightarrow \text{Conserved!}$$

$$c) g_m = \frac{1}{13} \text{ S} \quad r_E = 13 \Omega \quad r_{\pi} = 1.3 \text{ k}\Omega \quad I_{REF} \text{ opens up.}$$

$$R' = 8.75 \text{ k}\Omega \parallel 1.3 \text{ k}\Omega = 1.13 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$i_1 = \frac{v_t}{R_1 + R'} = 7.08 \times 10^{-5} v_t$$

$$v = \frac{R'}{R_1 + R'} v_t = 0.08 v_t$$

$$g_m v = \frac{1}{13} \times 0.08 v_t = 6.15 \times 10^{-3} v_t$$

$$i_t = i_1 + g_m v = (7.08 \times 10^{-5} + 6.15 \times 10^{-3}) v_t = 6.22 \times 10^{-3} v_t$$

$$\Rightarrow R_0 = \frac{v_t}{i_t} = 160.75 \Omega$$

Excellent value, \because it's a voltage reference, its R_0 should be small, & a number less than 200Ω is not bad at all!