## Third SPICE Exercise

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## Chapter 1

# Differential amplifier with MOS current source

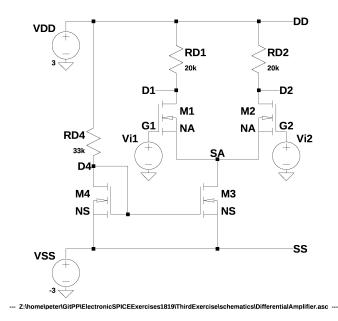


Figure 1.1: Differential amplifier with MOS current source

Data:

$$V_t = 0.5V \tag{1.1}$$

$$uA$$

$$V_t = 0.5V$$

$$K'_n = \mu_n C_{ox} = 200 \frac{\mu A}{V^2}$$

$$\lambda = 0$$
(1.1)
$$(1.2)$$

$$\lambda = 0 \tag{1.3}$$

$$\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_1 = \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_2 = 20\tag{1.4}$$

$$\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_3 = \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_4 = 5\tag{1.5}$$

$$R_{D_1} = R_{D_2} = 20k\Omega (1.6)$$

$$R_{D_4} = \frac{30}{1000} \cdot 1097752\Omega = 32.93k\Omega \simeq 33k\Omega \tag{1.7}$$

$$V_{DD} = 3V (1.8)$$

$$V_{SS} = -3V \tag{1.9}$$

### 1.1 MOSFET current mirror source - Analytic solution

#### 1.1.1 MOSFET $M_4$

 $V_{D_4SS}$ 

The transistor  $M_4$  has a short circuit between its drain and its gate, so the transistor works in saturation mode and the voltage between the drain and the gate are the same of the voltage between the gate and the source. The current  $I_{D_4}$  could be calculated as:

$$I_{D_4} = \frac{1}{2} K'_n \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_4 (V_{D_4SS} - V_t)^2$$
(1.10)

Other expression of the current  $I_{D_4}$  could be calculated using the LKT:

$$V_{DD} - R_{D_4} I_{D_4} - V_{D4SS} - V_{SS} = 0 \implies I_{D_4} = \frac{V_{DD} - V_{D_4SS} - V_{SS}}{R_{D_4}}$$
(1.11)

Using the equations 1.20 and 1.11 it's possible calculating  $V_{D_4SS}$ :

$$\frac{1}{2}K'_n\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_4(V_{D_4SS} - V_t)^2 = \frac{V_{DD} - V_{D_4SS} - V_{SS}}{R_{D_4}}$$
(1.12)

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot 200 \frac{\mu A}{V^2} \cdot 5 \frac{\mu m}{\mu m} (V_{D_4 SS} - 0.5 V)^2 = \frac{3V - V_{D_4 SS} - (-3V)}{33k\Omega}$$
(1.13)

$$500\frac{\mu A}{V^2}(V_{D_4SS} - 0.5V)^2 = \frac{6}{33}mA - \frac{1}{33k\Omega}V_{D_4SS}$$
 (1.14)

$$500\frac{\mu A}{V^2}(V_{D_4SS}^2 - V_{D_4SS} \cdot V + 0.25V^2) = \frac{6}{33}mA - \frac{1}{33k\Omega}V_{D_4SS}$$
 (1.15)

$$500\frac{\mu A}{V^2} \cdot V_{D_4SS}^2 + \left(-500\frac{\mu A}{V^2}V + \frac{1}{33k\Omega}\right)V_{D_4SS} + 500\frac{\mu A}{V^2} \cdot 0.25V^2 - \frac{6}{33}mA = 0 \tag{1.16}$$

$$0.5\frac{mA}{V^2} \cdot V_{D_4SS}^2 + \left(-0.5\frac{mA}{V^2}V + \frac{1}{33k\Omega}\right)V_{D_4SS} + 0.5\frac{mA}{V^2} \cdot 0.25V^2 - \frac{6}{33}mA = 0 \tag{1.17}$$

$$\left(0.5 \frac{mA}{V^2}\right) V_{D_4SS}^2 + \left(-\frac{31}{66} \frac{mA}{V}\right) V_{D_4SS} + \left(-\frac{5}{88} mA\right) = 0$$
(1.18)

$$V_{D_4SS_{1,2}} = \frac{-\left(-\frac{31}{66}\frac{mA}{V}\right) \pm \sqrt{\left(-\frac{31}{66}\frac{mA}{V}\right)^2 - 4\cdot\left(0.5\frac{mA}{V^2}\right)\cdot\left(-\frac{5}{88}mA\right)}}{2\cdot0.5\frac{mA}{V^2}} = \begin{cases} 1.04784V \\ -0.10845V \text{ Not possible: } < \text{ of } V_t \end{cases}$$

$$(1.19)$$

 $I_{D_4}$ 

Using the equation 1.20 and the result of the equation 1.19:

$$I_{D_4} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 200\mu A/V^2 \cdot 5\frac{\mu m}{\mu m} \cdot (1.04784V - 0.5V)^2 = 150.06433\mu A \tag{1.20}$$

#### 1.1.2 MOSFET $M_3$

 $I_{S_A}$ 

Using the result of the equation 1.19 and supposing that the work is on the saturation mode, it's possible calculating the drain current of the MOSFET  $M_3$ :

$$I_{SA} = \frac{1}{2} K'_n \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_3 (V_{D_4SS} - V_t)^2$$
(1.21)

$$I_{SA} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 200\mu A/V^2 \cdot 5\frac{\mu m}{\mu m} \cdot (1.04784V - 0.5V)^2 = 150.06433\mu A \tag{1.22}$$

### 1.2 SPICE Operating Point analysis

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* Differential Amplifier
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* http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/ or send a letter to Creative
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*************************
* Parameters
.param RD = 20k
. param VG1 = 0
. param VG2 = 0
* NMOS models
. model NA NMOS VT0=0.5 KP=200u LAMBDA=0 W=4.00u L=0.20u
. model NS NMOS VT0=0.5 KP=200u LAMBDA=0 W=1.25u L=0.25u
* Resistances
RD1 DD D1 {RD}
RD2 DD D2 {RD}
RD4 DD D4 33k
* Transistors
M1 D1 G1 SA SA NA
M2 D2 G2 SA SA NA
M3 SA D4 SS SS NS
M4 D4 D4 SS SS NS
* Voltage sources
VDD DD 0 3
VSS SS 0 -3
Vi1 G1 0 {VG1}
Vi2 G2 0 {VG2}
* Analysis
.op
.END
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Operating Point ----
V(dd):
           3
                             voltage
V(d1):
           1.49935
                             voltage
V(d2):
           1.49935
                             voltage
V(d4):
           -1.95216
                             voltage
V(g1):
           0
                             voltage
V(sa):
           -0.693691
                             voltage
V(g2):
           0
                             voltage
V(ss):
           -3
                             voltage
Id (M4):
           0.000150065
                             device_current
Ig (M4):
                             device_current
Ib (M4):
           -1.05784e-012
                             device_current
Is (M4):
           -0.000150065
                             device_current
Id (M3):
           0.000150065
                             device_current
Ig (M3):
           0
                             device_current
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Ib (M3):
            -2.31631e-012
                                 device_current
Is (M3):
            -0.000150065
                                 device_current
Id (M2):
            7.50327e - 005
                                 device_current
Ig (M2):
                                 {\tt device\_current}
            0
            -2.20304\,\mathrm{e}\!-\!012
Ib (M2):
                                 device_current
Is (M2):
            -7.50327e-005
                                 device_current
Id (M1):
            7.50327e - 005
                                 \tt device\_current
Ig (M1):
                                 device\_current
            -2.20304e-012
Ib (M1):
                                 device_current
Is (M1):
            -7.50327e-005
                                 device_current
I (Rd4):
            0.000150065
                                 device_current
I (Rd2):
            7.50327\,\mathrm{e}\!-\!005
                                 {\tt device\_current}
I (Rd1):
            7.50327e - 005
                                 device_current
I(Vi2):
            0
                                 device\_current
I(Vi1):
            0
                                 d\,e\,v\,i\,c\,e\,{}_{-}\,c\,u\,r\,r\,e\,n\,t
I(Vss):
            0.000300131
                                 device\_current
I (Vdd):
            -0.000300131
                                 device_current
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