

Analog Experiment-7

Title:

Design a supply independent current reference also known as beta multiplier

Objective:

Design a beta multiplier circuit to obtain a reference current of 100uA. Plot the reference current variation w.r.t. supply voltage VDD. Calculate the current sensitivity to supply voltage.

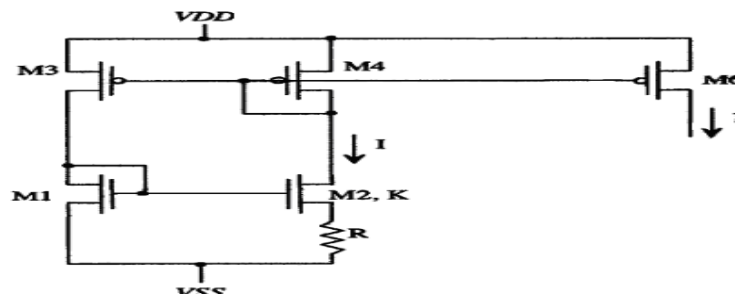
Design a modified beta-multiplier as shown in the next section and plot the reference current variation w.r.t. supply voltage VDD. Calculate the current sensitivity to supply voltage.

Components/Tools Required:

Ltspice

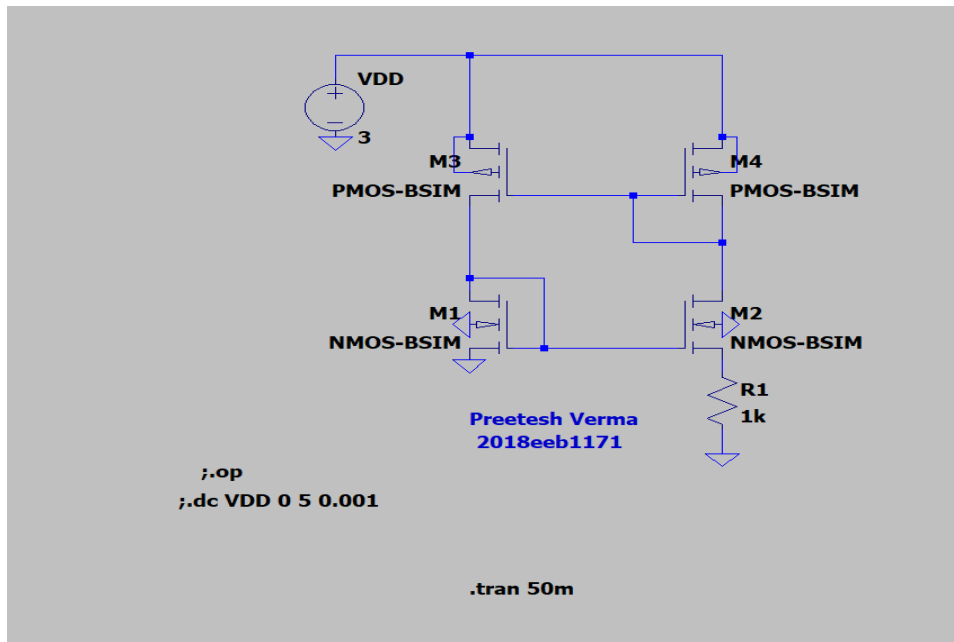
Theory:

Beta multiplier circuit (self-biasing technique) improves upon power supply dependency. Given below is the circuit diagram, with source degenerated (by resistor 'R'), output device (M2) that is referred to as a simple β multiplier is loaded by a simple NMOS current mirror, loaded by a simple PMOS current mirror with an additional mirroring device (M6) to copy I to the reference's output.

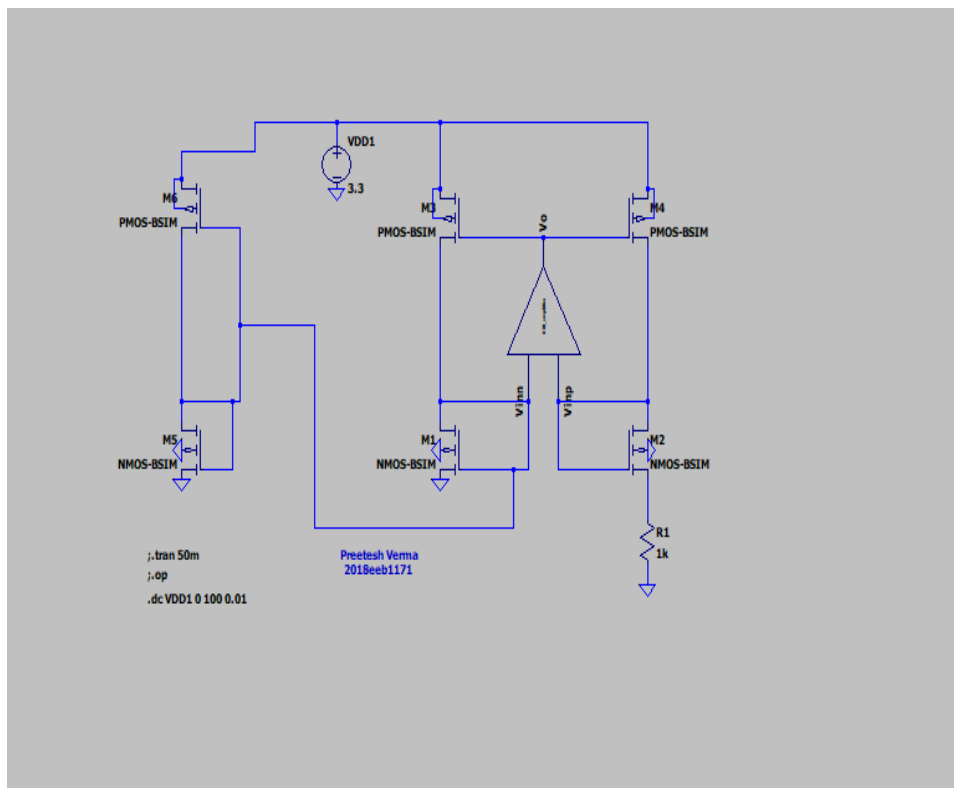


$$I = \frac{2}{R^2 \beta_1} \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{1}{K}}\right)^2, \text{ where } K \text{ is } w/l \text{ of } M2$$

Circuit Diagram: Beta multiplier



Modified Beta multiplier

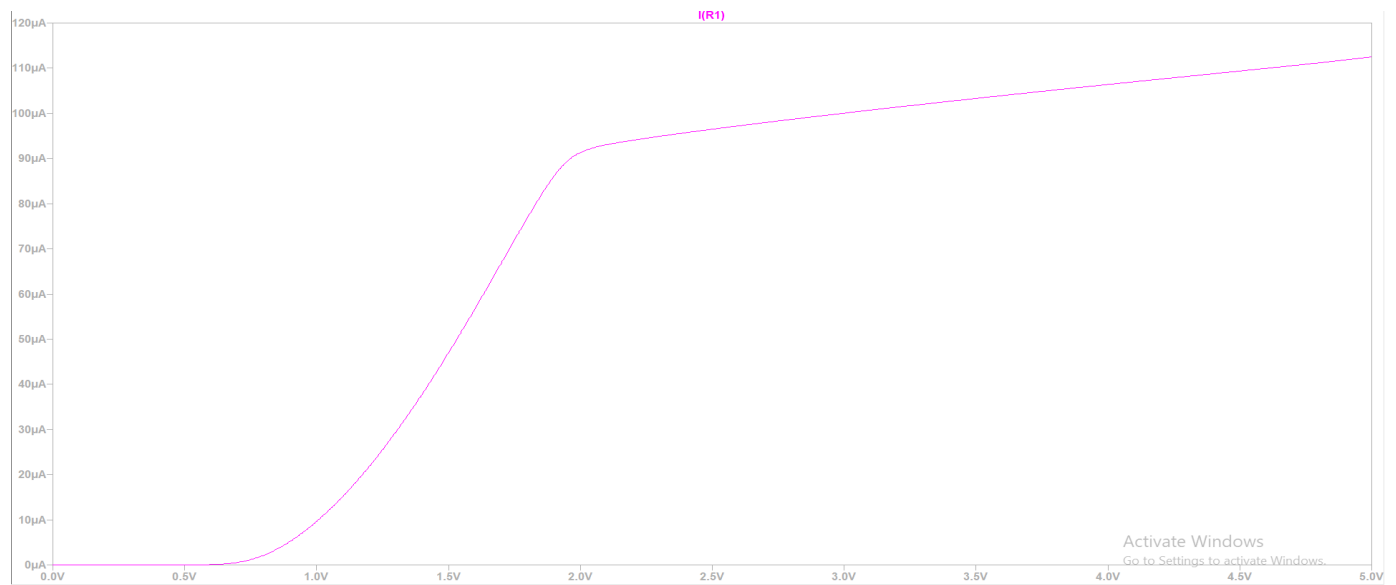


Waveforms:

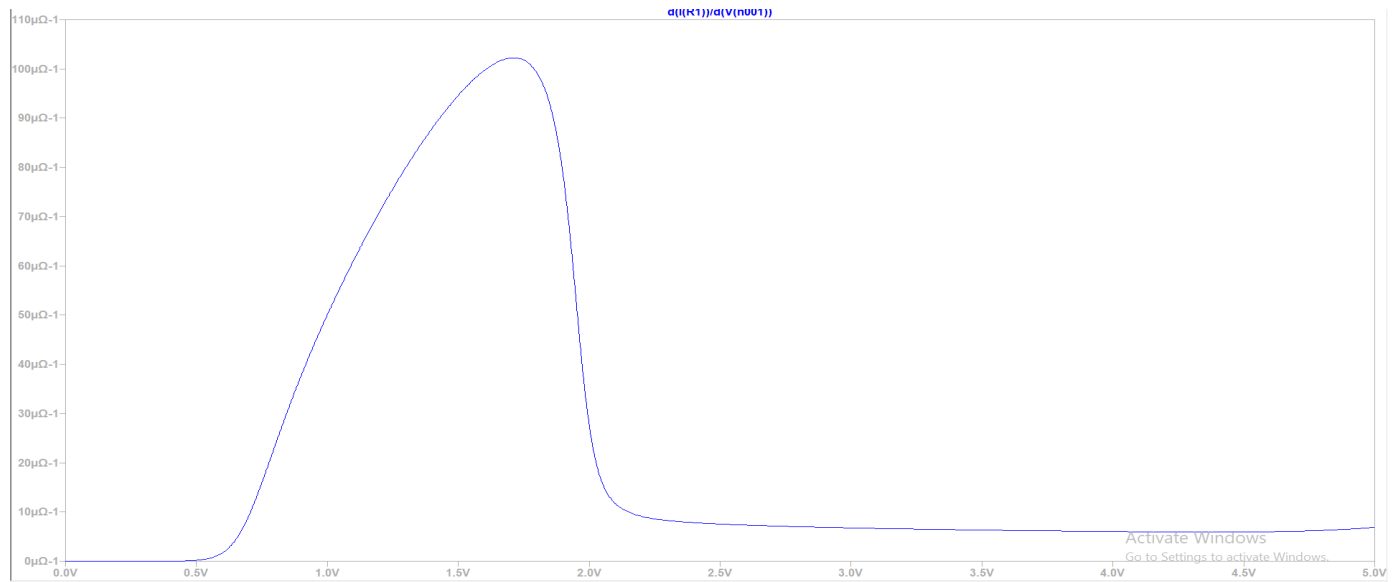
- Beta multiplier



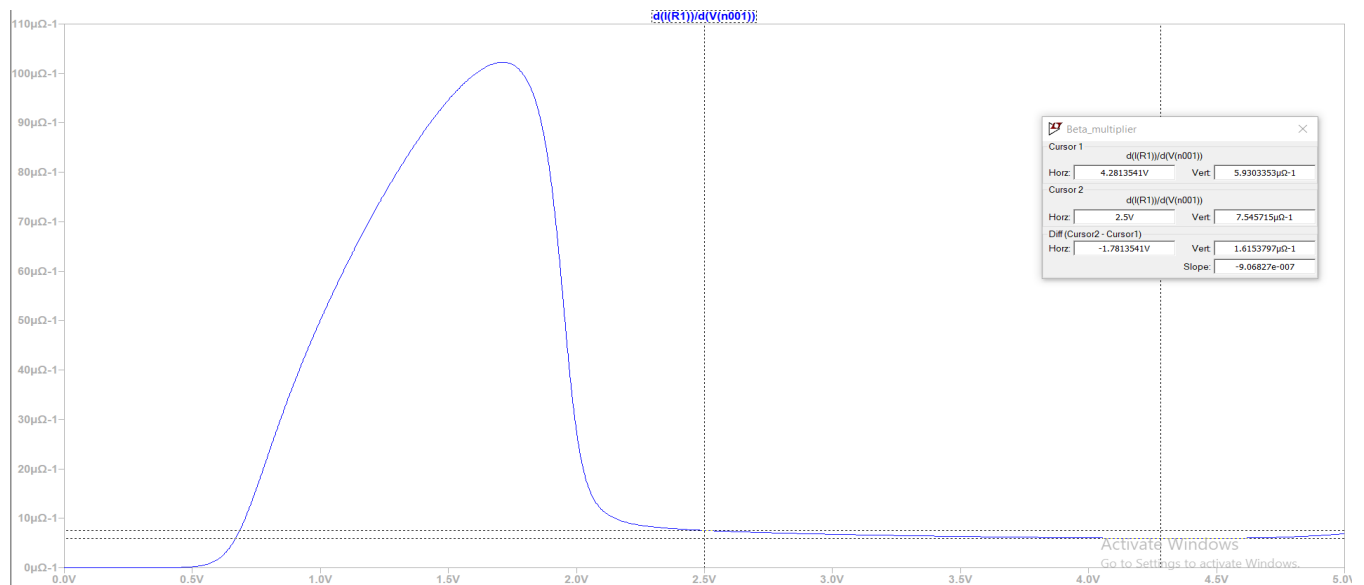
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I_d vs V_{dd}

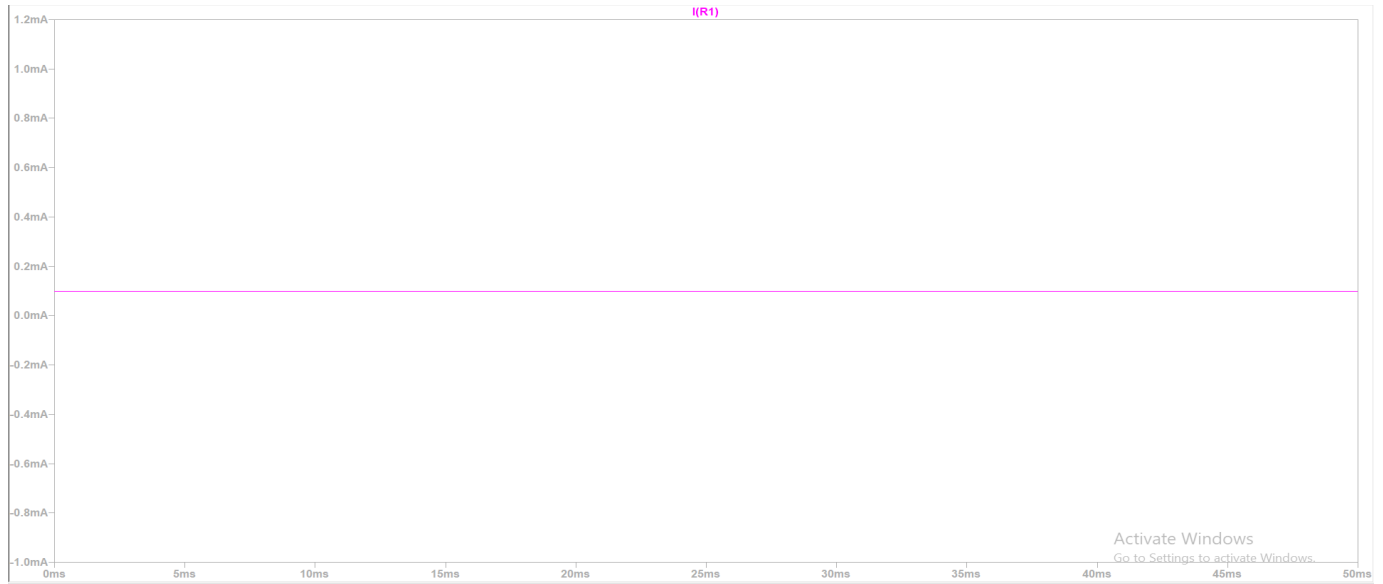


Sensitivity curve : $\frac{d(I_d)}{d(V_{dd})}$

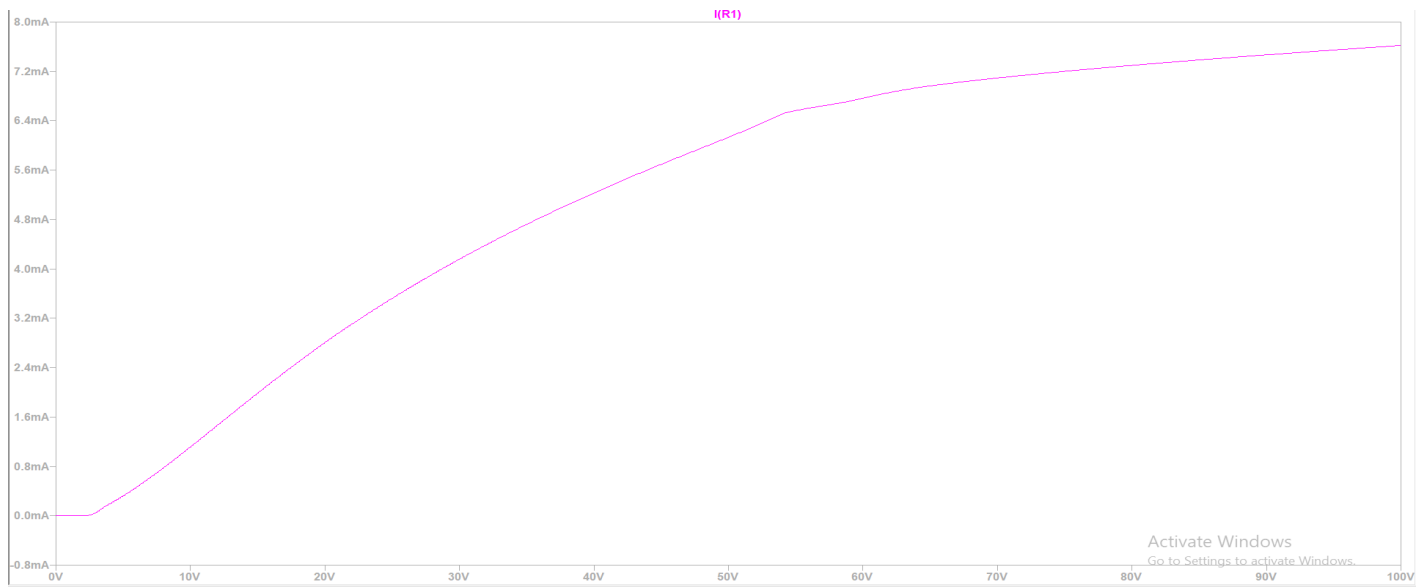


Sensitivity = $5.932 \mu\Omega^{-1}$

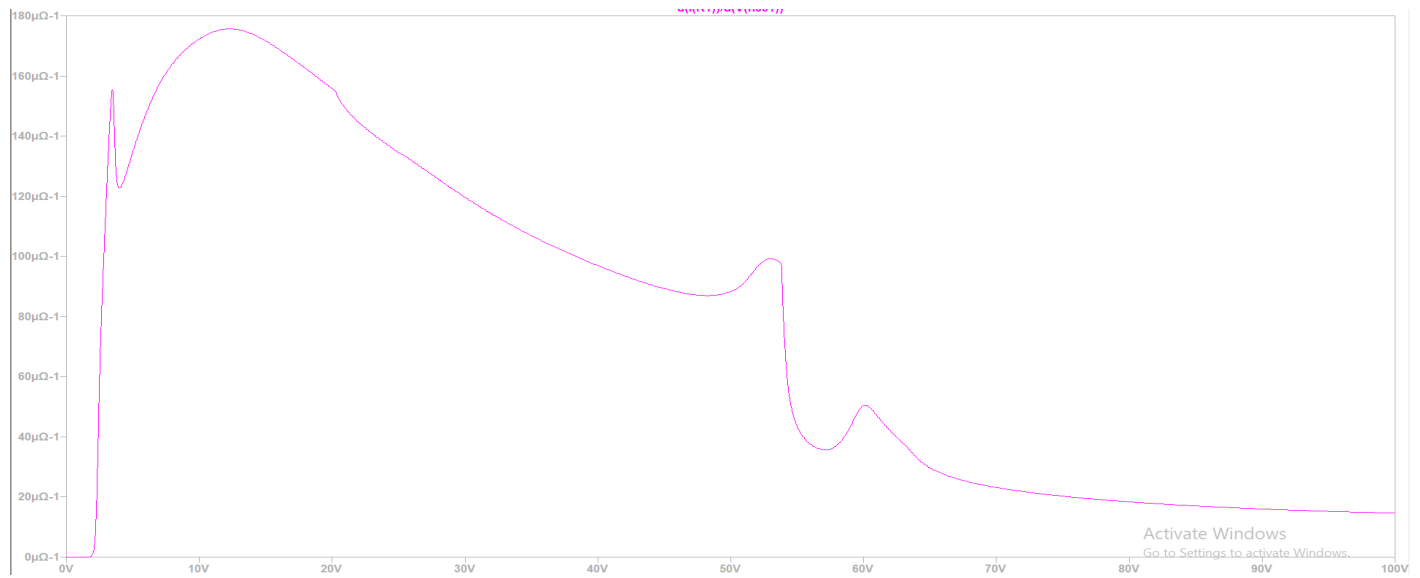
- Modified Beta multiplier



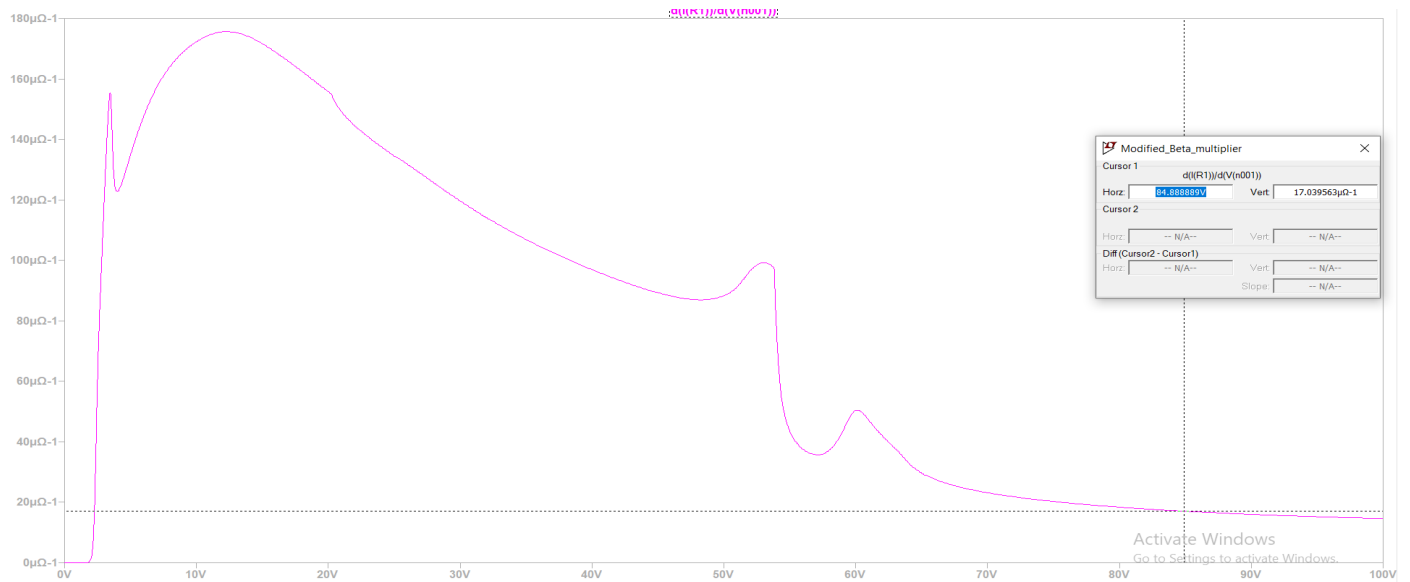
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Sensitivity: $17.063 \mu\Omega^{-1}$