

Mini Project: Two-Stage Miller OTA

■ Part 1: gm/ID design charts

Using $L = 0.2\mu m$: $0.2\mu m$: $2\mu m$ & $VDS = \frac{VDD}{3} = 0.6$



- $g_m r_o \left(\frac{g_m}{g_{ds}} \right) \& \frac{I_D}{W}$ & $\frac{g_m}{C_{gg}}$ & V_{GS} for PMOS



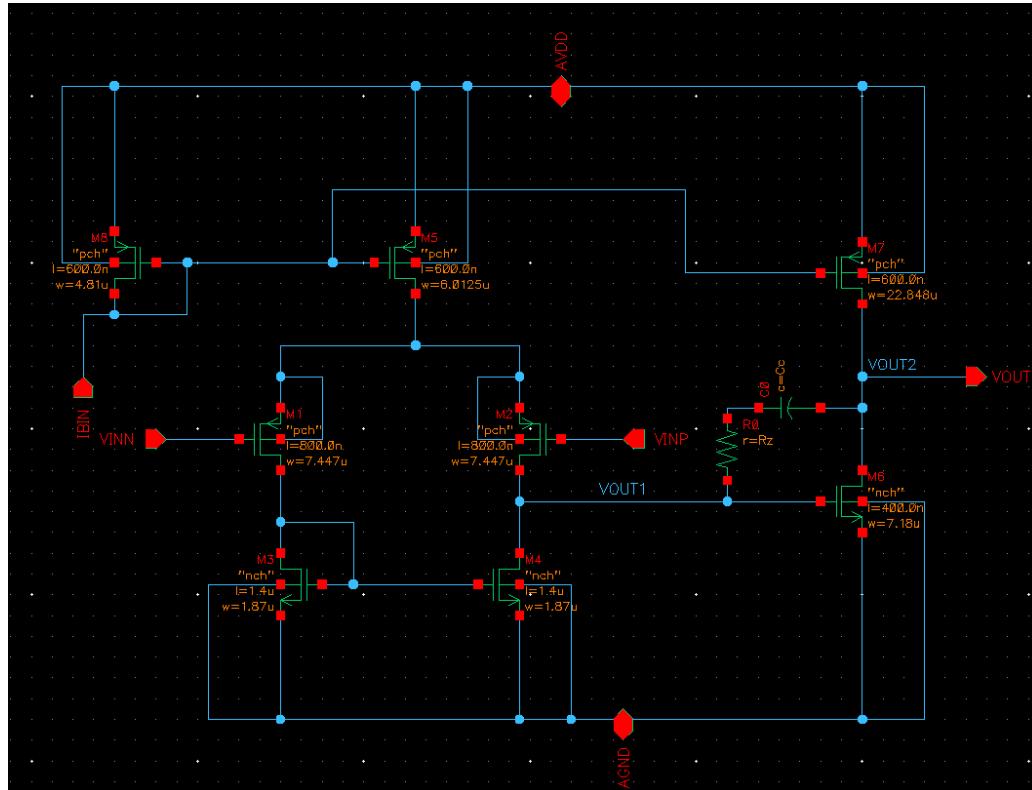
- $g_m r_o \left(\frac{g_m}{g_{ds}} \right) \& \frac{I_D}{W}$ & $\frac{g_m}{C_{gg}}$ & V_{GS} for NMOS

▪ Part 2: OTA design

Parameter	Spec
Supply voltage	1.8 v
Static gain error	$\leq 0.05\%$
CMRR @ DC	$\geq 74 \text{ db}$
Phase margin	$\geq 70^\circ$
OTA current consumption	$\leq 60 \mu\text{A}$
CMIR-high	$\geq 1\text{v}$
CMIR-low	$\leq 0.2 \text{ v}$
Output swing	$0.2 - 1.6 \text{ v}$
Load	5 pF
Buffer closed loop rise time	$\leq 70 \text{ ns}$
Slew rate	$5 \text{ V}/\mu\text{s}$

\because CMIR limits are close to ground (0.2-1)

\therefore the desired OTA is OTA with PMOS input pair



- Design procedures

$$2) \text{ let } C_c = \frac{1}{2} C_l = 2.5 \text{ pF}$$

$$3) \because t_{rise} = 2.2 RC \rightarrow \therefore RC = \frac{t_{rise}}{2.2} \leq 31.818 \text{ ns}$$

$$\because W_u = \frac{1}{2\pi RC} \geq 5.002 \text{ MHZ}, \quad W_u = \frac{g_{m1,2}}{2\pi C_c} \rightarrow g_{m1,2} = 2\pi C_c W_u$$

$$\therefore g_{m1,2} \geq 78.571 \mu S$$

$$4) \because SR = \frac{I_{B1}}{C_c} = 5 \text{ V}/\mu S \rightarrow I_{B1} = SR * C_c = 12.5 \mu A$$

$$\because \text{total current budget} = 60 \mu A \rightarrow \therefore I_{B2} = 60 - 12.5 = 47.5 \mu A$$

$$\succ I_{D1,2,3,4} = \frac{1}{2} I_{B1} = 6.25 \mu A \quad \& \quad I_{D5} = I_{B1} = 12.5 \mu A \quad \& \quad I_{D6,7} = 47.5 \mu A$$

$$5) \because g_{m1,2} \geq 78.571 \mu \quad \& \quad I_{D1,2} = 6.25 \mu \rightarrow \therefore \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D} \right)_{1,2} \geq 12.571$$

$$\text{Let } \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D} \right)_{1,2} = 13$$

$$6) \because A_{CL} = \frac{A_{OL}}{1+\beta A_{OL}}, \text{ for a buffer } \beta = 1 \rightarrow A_{CL} = \frac{A_{OL}}{1+A_{OL}} = \frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{A_{OL}}} \approx 1 - \frac{1}{A_{OL}}$$

$$\text{Static gain error } \varepsilon = \frac{|A_{CL,actual} - A_{CL,ideal}|}{A_{CL,ideal}} * 100 = \frac{\left| \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{A_{OL}}-1} - 1 \right|}{1} * 100 = \frac{1}{A_{OL}} * 100$$

$$\therefore A_{OL} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} * 100 \rightarrow A_{OL} \geq 2000 (66.02 db)$$

$$7) \text{ assume } A_{v1} = 2A_{v2} \quad \& \quad A_{OL} = A_{v1}A_{v2}$$

$$\therefore A_{v1} \geq 63.246 (36.02 db) \quad \& \quad A_{v2} \geq 31.623 (30 db)$$

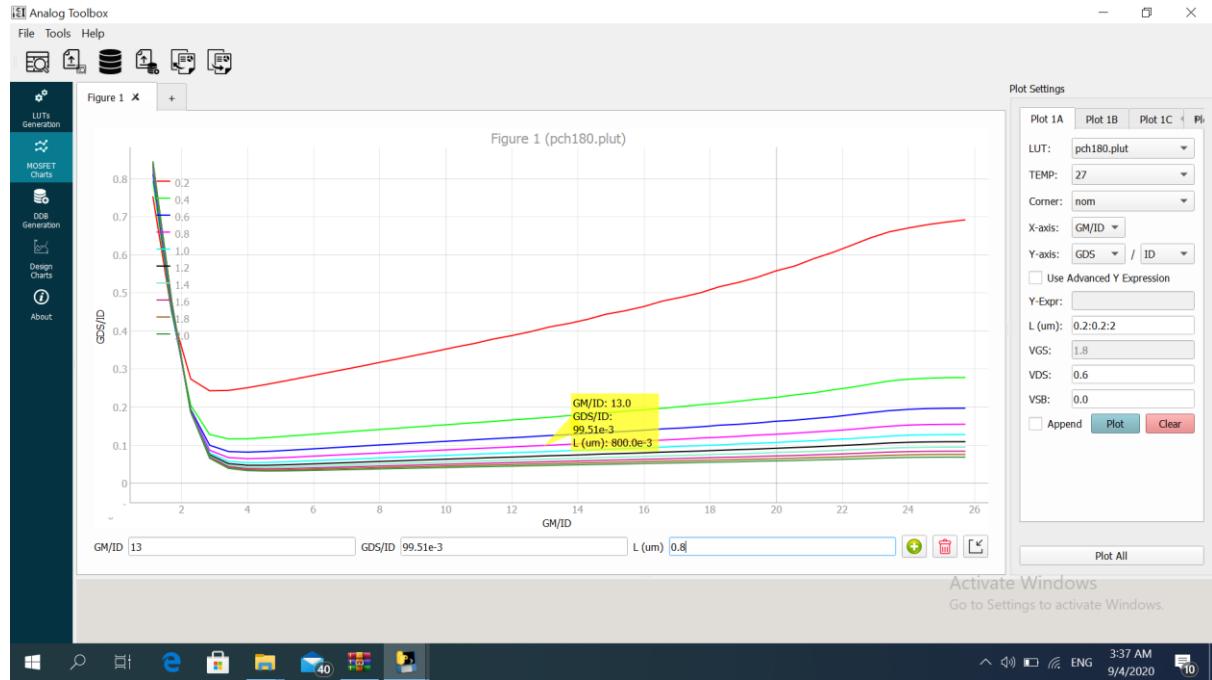
$$8) \because A_{v1} = g_{m1,2}(r_{o1,2} \setminus r_{o3,4}) = g_{m1,2} \left(\frac{1}{g_{ds1,2}} \setminus \frac{1}{g_{ds3,4}} \right)$$

$$\text{Assume } r_{o1,2} = r_{o3,4} \rightarrow \frac{1}{g_{ds1,2}} = \frac{1}{g_{ds3,4}} \rightarrow \therefore A_{v1} = \frac{g_{m1,2}}{2g_{ds1,2,3,4}}$$

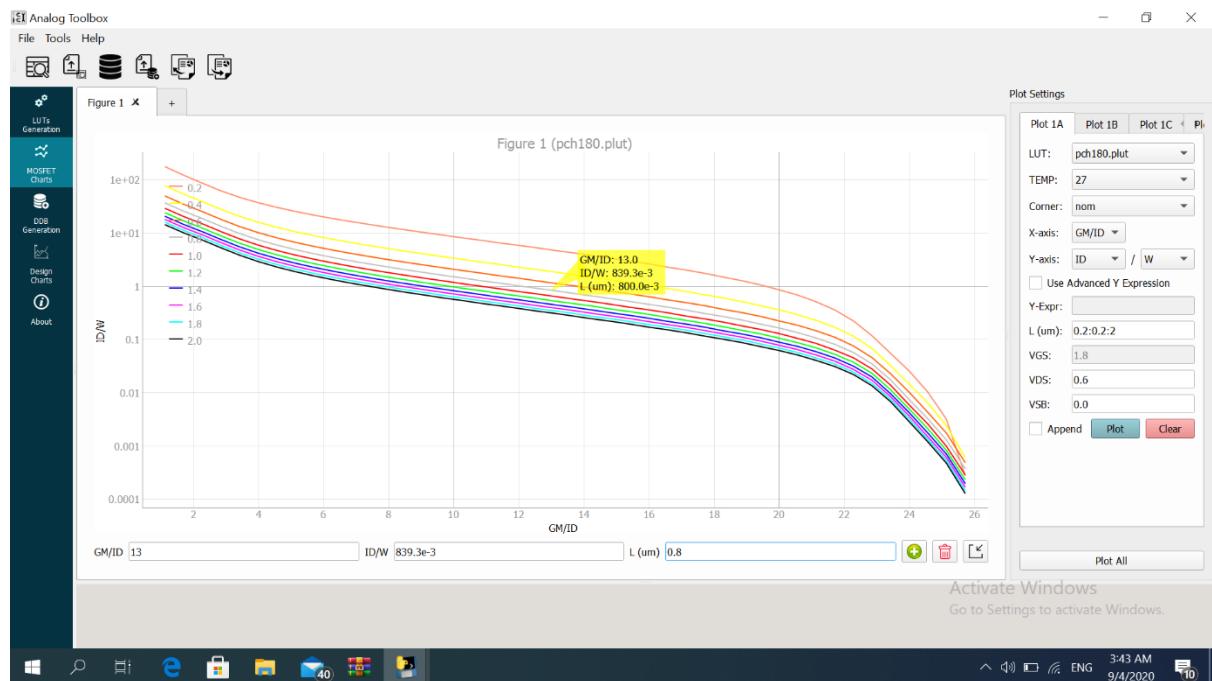
$$\therefore g_{ds1,2,3,4} \leq 642.333 \text{ nS}$$

$$\triangleright \left(\frac{g_{ds}}{I_D}\right)_{1,2} \leq 102.773 \text{ m} \quad \& \quad \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D}\right)_{1,2} = 13$$

\therefore from design charts:



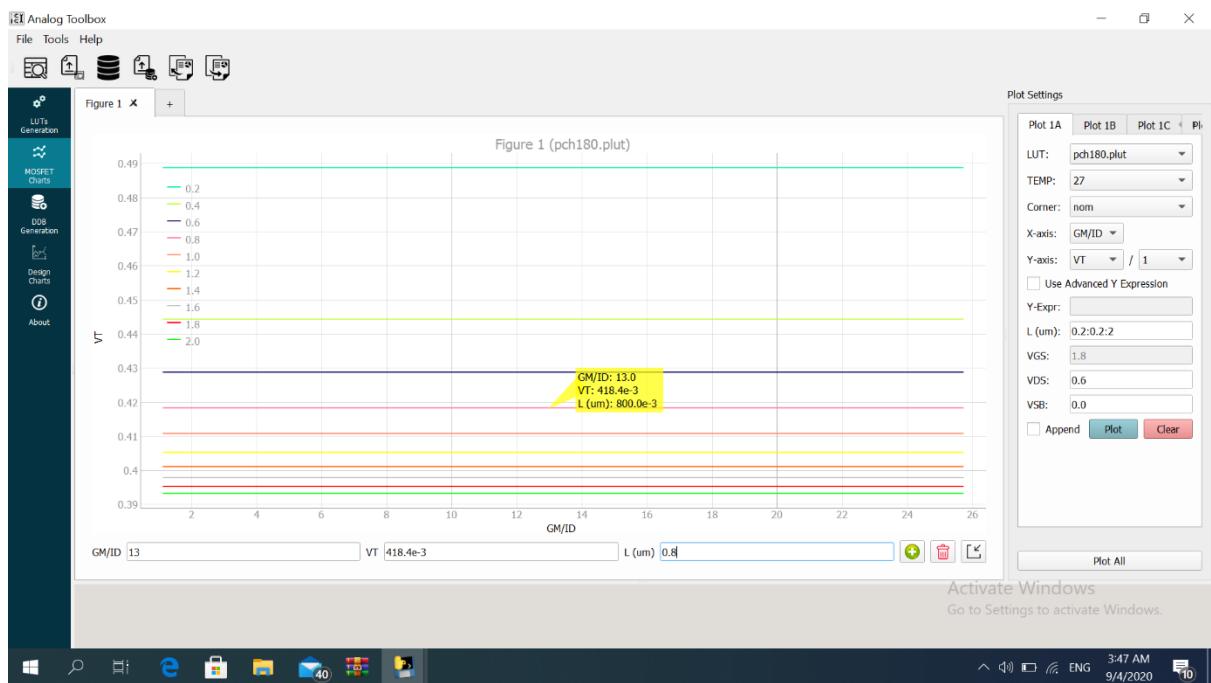
$$\triangleright L_{1,2} = 0.8 \mu\text{m}$$



$$\triangleright \left(\frac{I_D}{W}\right)_{1,2} = 839.3 \text{ m} \quad \therefore W_{1,2} = 7.447 \mu\text{m}$$



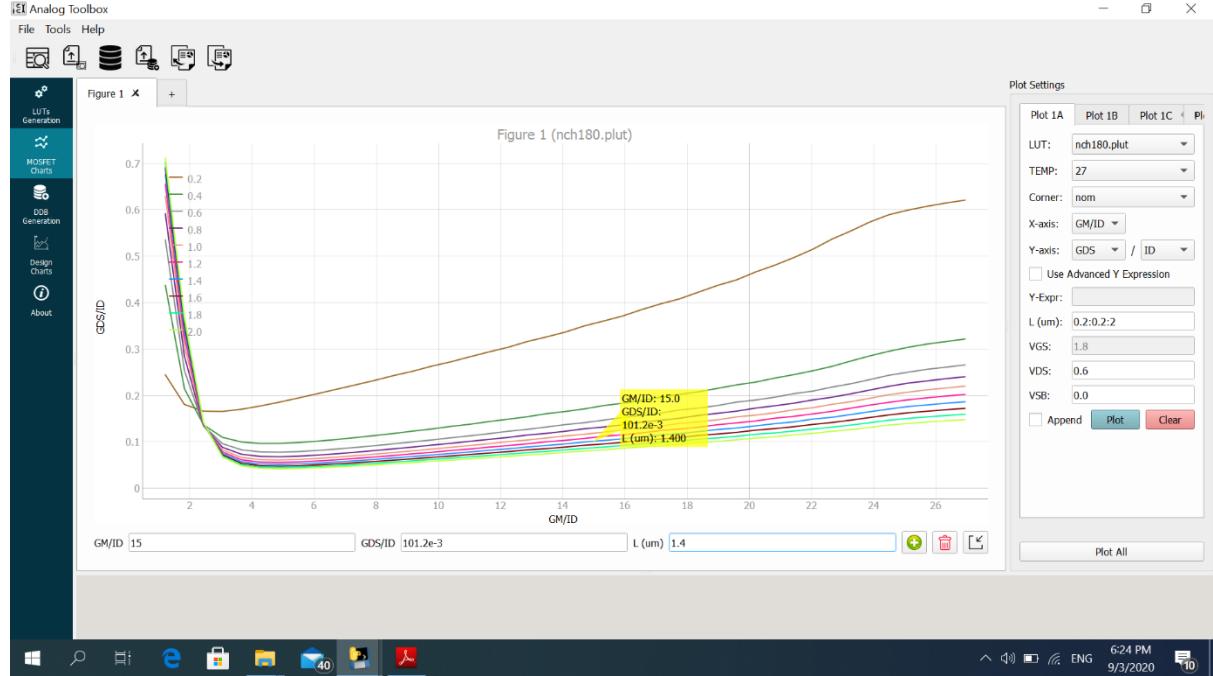
$$\triangleright V_{GS1,2} = 564.4 \text{ mV}$$



$$\triangleright V_{th1,2} = 418.4 \text{ mV}$$

$$9) \because \left(\frac{g_{ds}}{I_D}\right)_{3,4} \leq 102.773 \text{ m} \quad \& \text{ assuming } \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D}\right)_{3,4} = 15$$

\therefore from design chart:



$$\Rightarrow L_{3,4} = 1.4 \mu\text{m}$$

$$10) \because PM \geq 70^\circ \rightarrow \therefore \text{let } PM \approx 76 \quad \& \quad W_{p2} = 4W_u = 20.008 \text{ MHZ}$$

$$\because W_{p2} = \frac{g_{m6}}{2\pi C_l} \rightarrow \therefore g_{m6} = 2\pi C_l * W_{p2} = 628.57 \mu\text{S} \quad \& \quad I_{D6} = 47.5 \mu\text{A}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D}\right)_6 = 13.233$$

$$11) \because CMIR_{high} = V_{DD} - V_{GS1,2} - V_5^* \geq 1$$

$$\therefore V_5^* \leq V_{DD} - V_{GS1,2} - 1 \rightarrow V_5^* \leq 235.6 \text{ m} \rightarrow \therefore \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D}\right)_5 \geq 8.489$$

$$\because swing_{high} = V_{DD} - V_7^* \geq 1.6 \rightarrow V_7^* \leq 0.2 \rightarrow \therefore \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D}\right)_7 \geq 10$$

$$\because M_{5,7,8} \text{ are identical (have the same } \frac{g_m}{I_D} \text{ & } L)$$

$$\therefore \text{let } \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D}\right)_{5,7,8} = 10$$

$$12) \because CMRR = \frac{A_{v1}}{A_{vCM}} \rightarrow \therefore A_{vCM} = \frac{A_{v1}}{CMRR} \rightarrow A_{vCM} \leq 0.0126 (-38db)$$

$$\therefore A_{vCM} = \frac{1}{2g_{m3,4}R_{SS}} = \frac{1}{2g_{m3,4}r_{o5}} = \frac{g_{ds5}}{2g_{m3,4}} \rightarrow g_{ds5} = 2g_{m3,4} * A_{vCM}$$

Assume $\left(\frac{g_m}{I_D}\right)_{3,4} = 10$ & $I_{D3,4} = 6.25\mu$ $\rightarrow \therefore g_{m3,4} = 62.5 \mu S$

$$\therefore g_{ds5} \leq 1.574 \mu S \quad \& \quad \left(\frac{g_{ds}}{I_D}\right)_5 \leq 125.893 m$$

From design chart:



$$\Rightarrow L_{5,7,8} = 0.6 \mu m$$

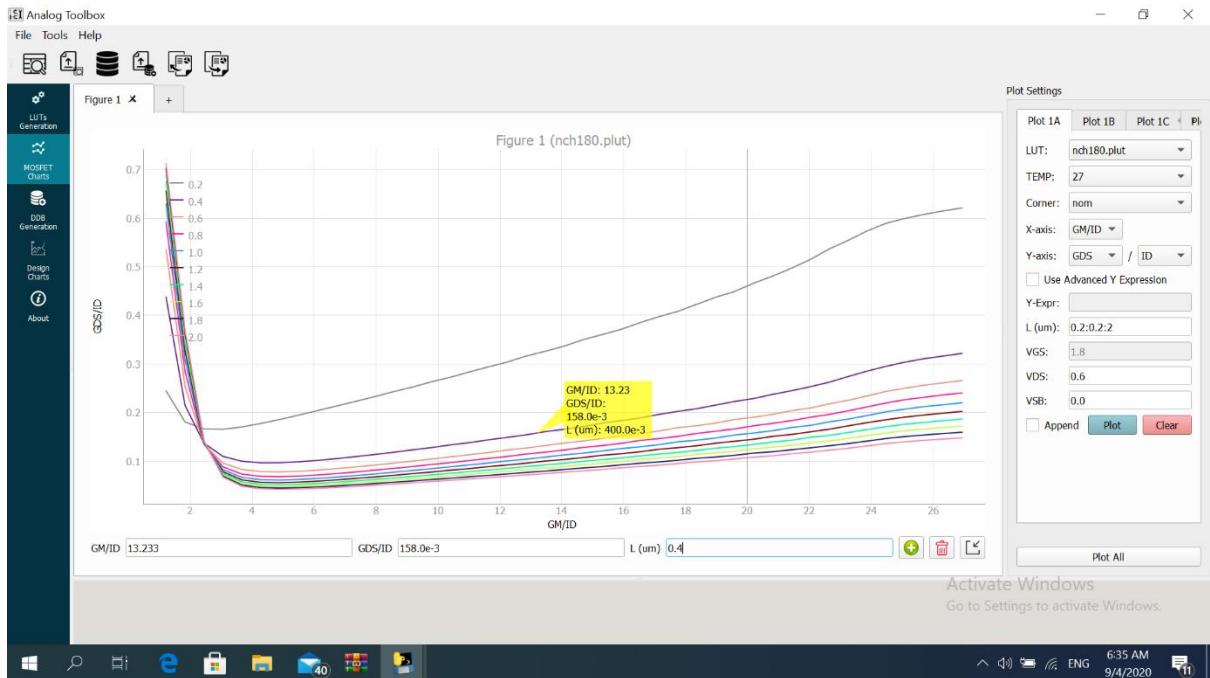
$$13) \therefore \left(\frac{g_{ds}}{I_D}\right)_7 = 110.4 m \quad \& \quad I_{D7} = 47.5 \mu \quad \therefore g_{ds7} = 5.244 \mu S$$

$$14) \therefore A_{v2} = g_{m6}(r_{o6} \setminus r_{o7}) = g_{m6} \left(\frac{1}{g_{ds6}} \setminus \frac{1}{g_{ds7}} \right)$$

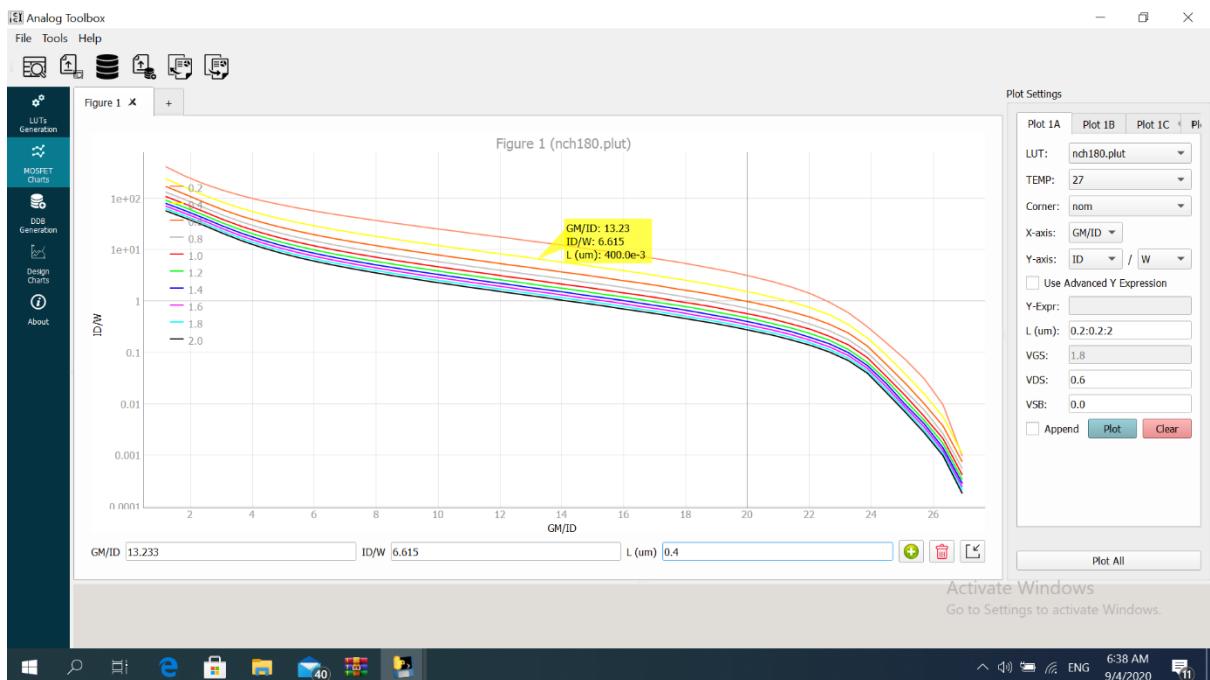
$$\therefore A_{v2} \geq 31.623 (30db) \quad \& \quad g_{m6} = 628.57 \mu S \quad \rightarrow \therefore g_{ds6} \leq 14.633 \mu S$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{g_{ds}}{I_D}\right)_6 \leq 308.063 m \quad \& \quad \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D}\right)_6 = 13.233$$

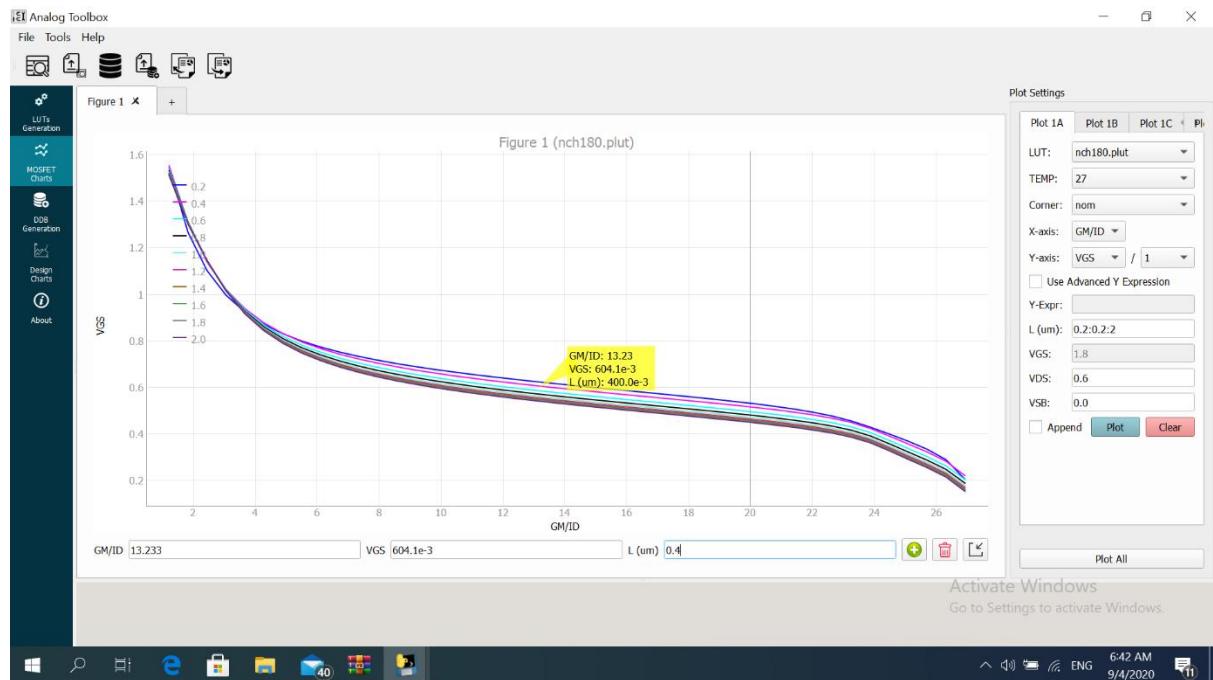
\therefore from design charts:



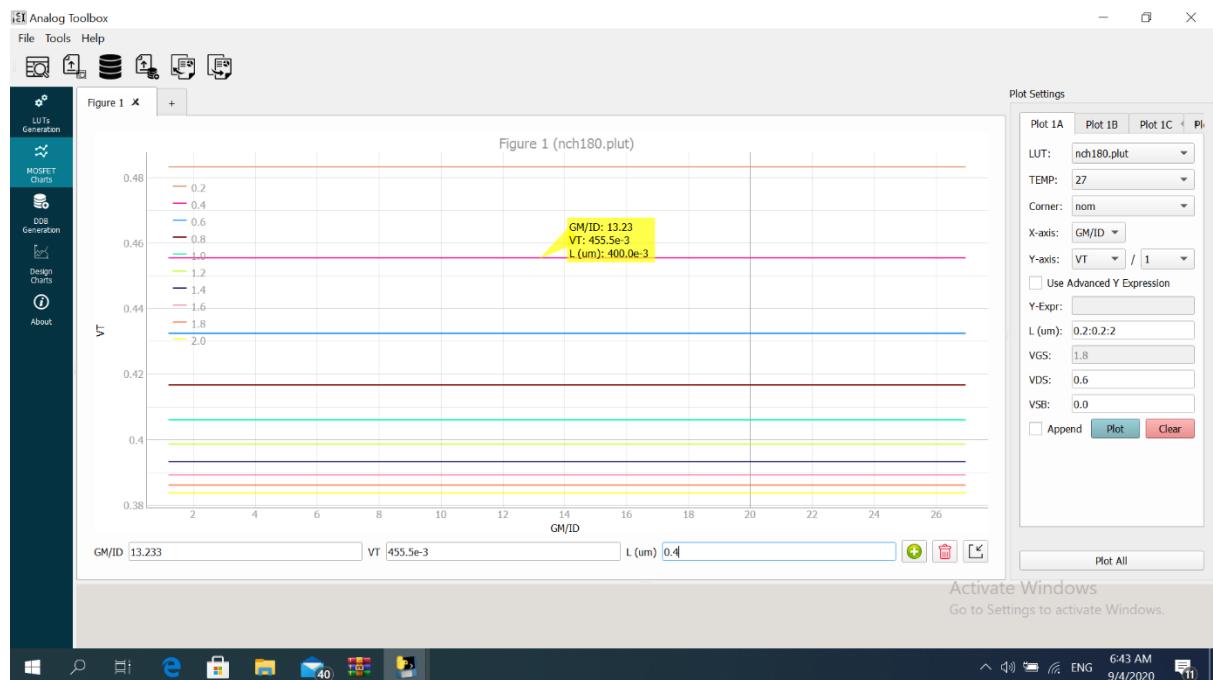
$$\Rightarrow L_6 = 0.4 \mu m$$



$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{I_D}{W} \right)_6 = 6.615 \quad \& \quad I_{D6} = 47.5 \mu A \quad \rightarrow \therefore W_6 = 7.18 \mu m$$



$$\triangleright V_{GS6} = 604.1 \text{ mV}$$



$$\triangleright V_{th7} = 455.5 \text{ mV}$$

$$15) \because V_{GS3,4} = V_{GS6} = 604.1 \text{ mV} \quad \& \quad L_{3,4} = 1.4 \mu\text{m}$$

\therefore from design chart:



$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D} \right)_{3,4} = 9.937$$

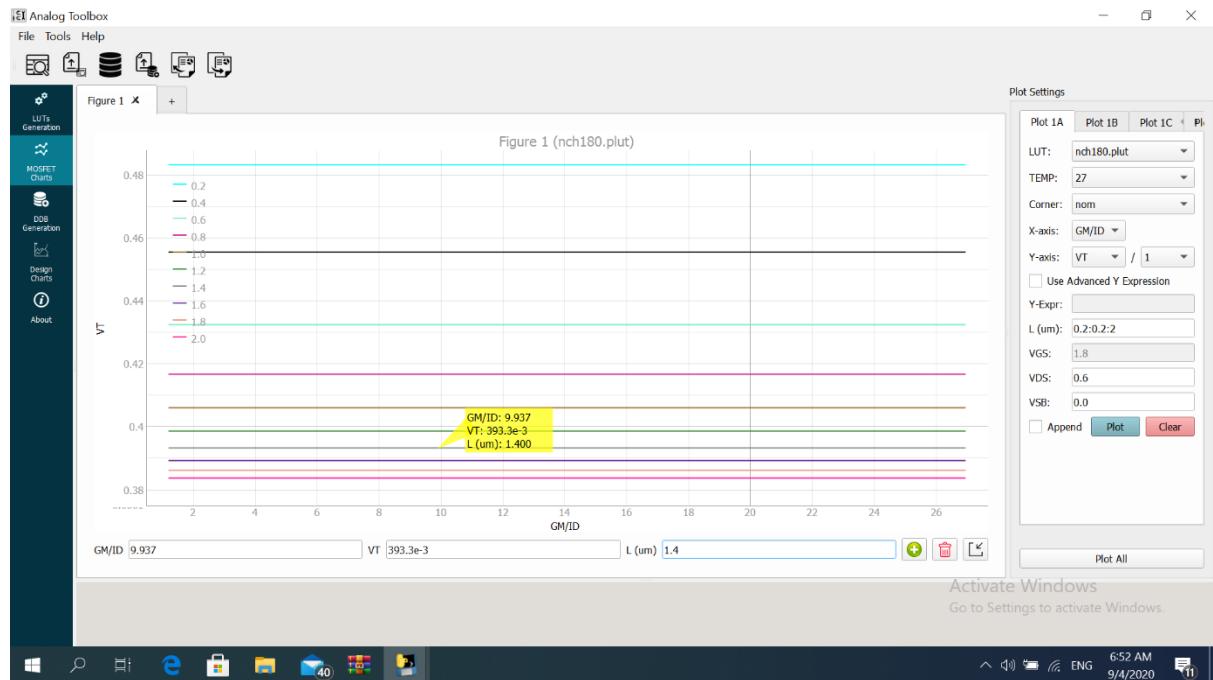
$$\because \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D} \right)_{3,4} = 9.937 \approx 10 \left(\left(\frac{g_m}{I_D} \right)_{3,4} \text{ assumed before} \right) \quad \therefore \text{no need for re iteration}$$



$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{I_D}{W}\right)_{3,4} = 3.342 \rightarrow \therefore W_{3,4} = 1.87 \mu m$$



$$\Rightarrow V_{GS3,4} = 604.1 \text{ mv}$$



$$\Rightarrow V_{th3,4} = 393.3 \text{ mv}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D}\right)_{5,7,8} = 10 \quad \& \quad L_{5,7,8} = 0.6 \mu m$$

\therefore from design charts:



$$\triangleright \left(\frac{I_D}{W}\right)_{5,7,8} = 2.079$$

$$\checkmark \quad \because I_{D5} = 12.5 \mu \rightarrow \therefore W_5 = 6.0125 \mu m$$

$$\checkmark \quad \because I_{D7} = 47.5 \mu \rightarrow \therefore W_7 = 22.848 \mu m$$

$$\checkmark \quad \because I_{D8} = 10 \mu \rightarrow \therefore W_8 = 4.81 \mu m$$



➤ $V_{GS5,7,8} = 625.2 \text{ mv}$



➤ $V_{th5,7,8} = 428.8 \text{ mv}$

$$16) \because CMIR_{low} = -|V_{GS1,2}| + V_{1,2}^* + V_{GS3,4} \leq 0.2 \rightarrow \therefore V_{GS3,4} \leq 633.754 \text{ mv}$$

$$\because swing_{low} = V_6^* \leq 0.2 \rightarrow \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D}\right)_6 \geq 10$$

$$\because V_{GS3,4} = 604.1 \text{ mv} < 633.754 \text{ mv} \quad \& \quad \left(\frac{g_m}{I_D}\right)_6 = 13.233 > 10$$

And $CMIR_{high}$ & $swing_{high}$ were obtained in the design

$\therefore \frac{g_m}{I_D}$ choices does not violate CMIR & swing specs

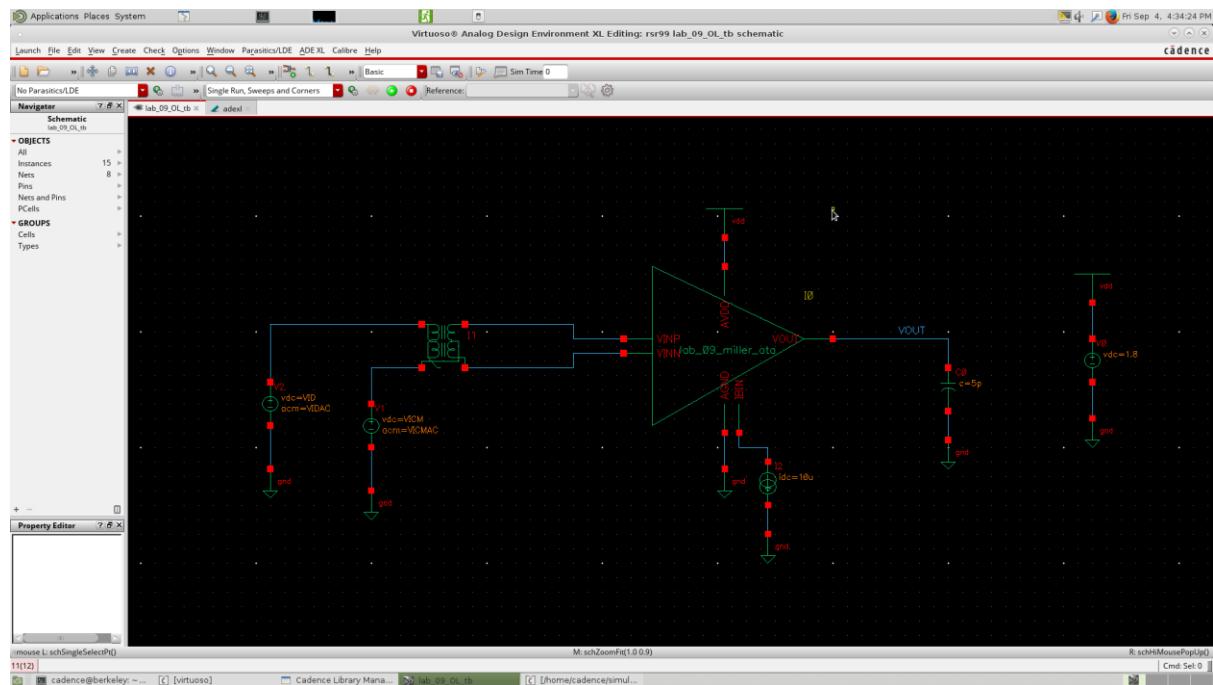
$$17) \because W_z = \frac{1}{c_c \left(\frac{1}{g_{m6}} - R_z \right)} \rightarrow \therefore \text{to place the zero at infinity}$$

$$\frac{1}{g_{m6}} - R_z = 0 \rightarrow R_z = \frac{1}{g_{m6}} = 1591 \Omega = 1.591 \text{ k}\Omega$$

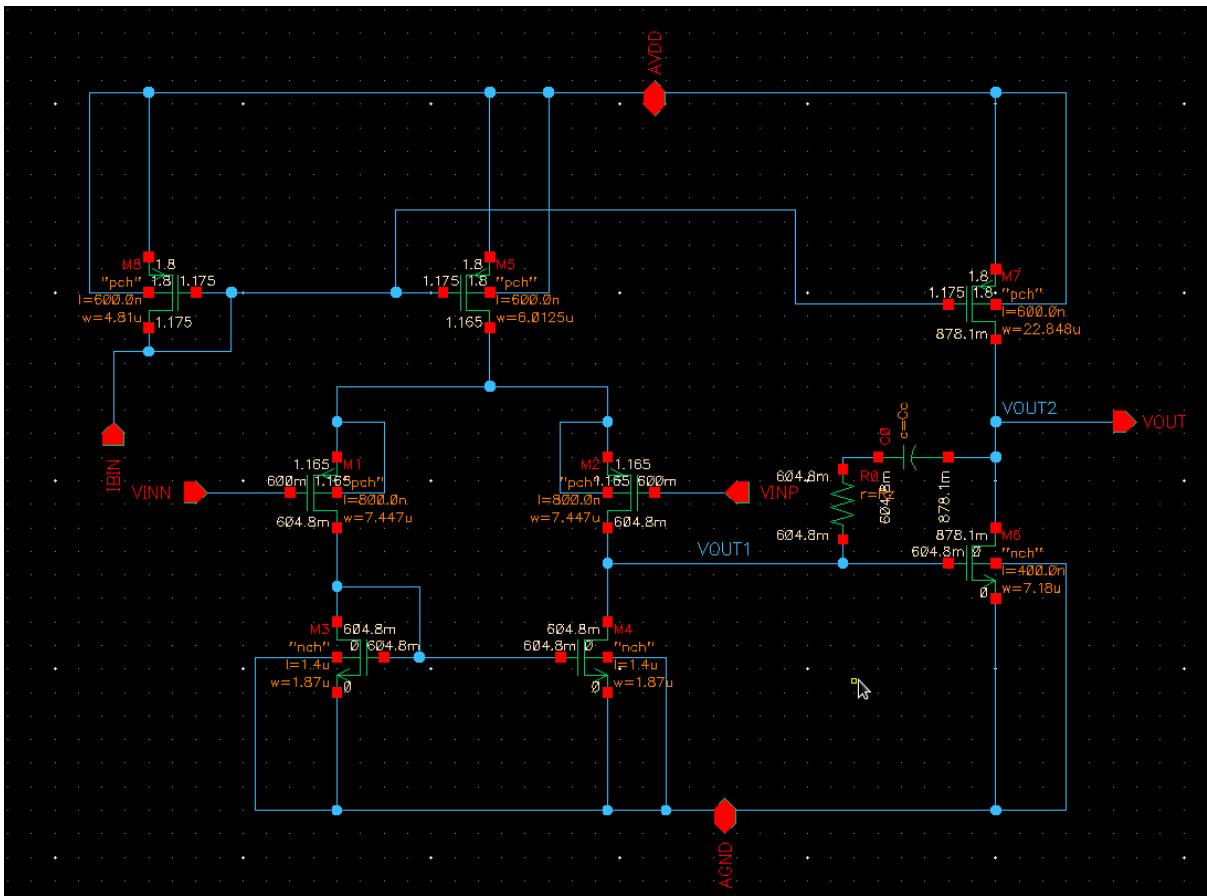
- A table showing design parameters as calculated from design charts

	$W(\mu)$	$L(\mu)$	$g_m(\mu)$	$I_D(\mu)$	$\frac{g_m}{I_D}$	$V^*(m)$	$V_{GS}(m)$	$V_{th}(m)$	$V_{ov}(m)$
$M_{1,2}$	7.447	0.8	81.25	6.25	13	153.846	564.4	418.4	146
M_6	7.18	0.4	628.57	47.5	13.233	151.137	604.1	455.5	148.6
$M_{3,4}$	1.87	1.4	62.106	6.25	9.937	201.268	604.1	393.3	210.8
M_5	6.0125	0.6	125	12.5	10	200	625.2	428.8	196.4
M_7	22.848	0.6	475	47.5	10	200	625.2	428.8	196.4
M_8	4.81	0.6	100	10	10	200	625.2	428.8	196.4

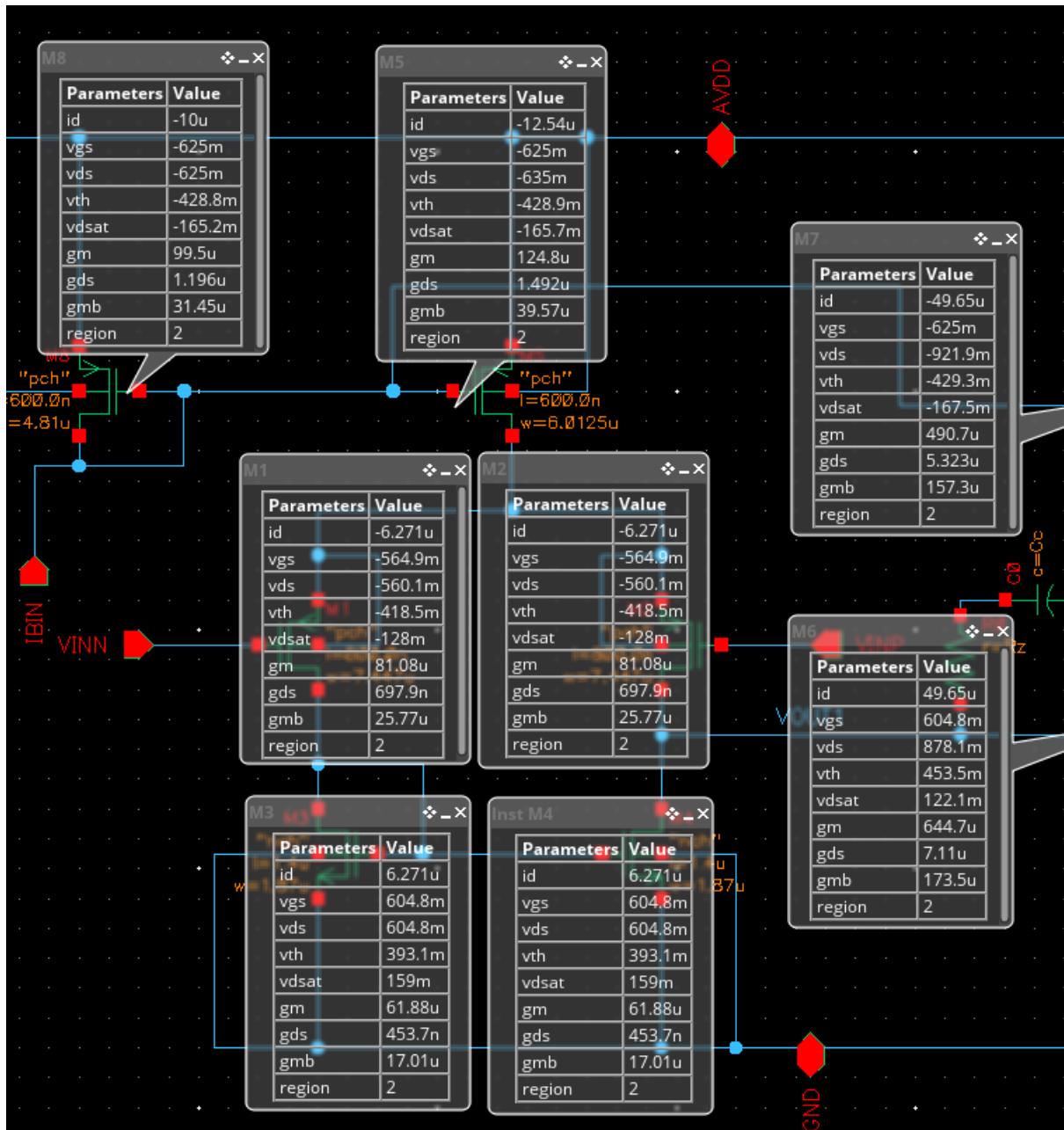
▪ Part 3: Open-Loop OTA Simulation



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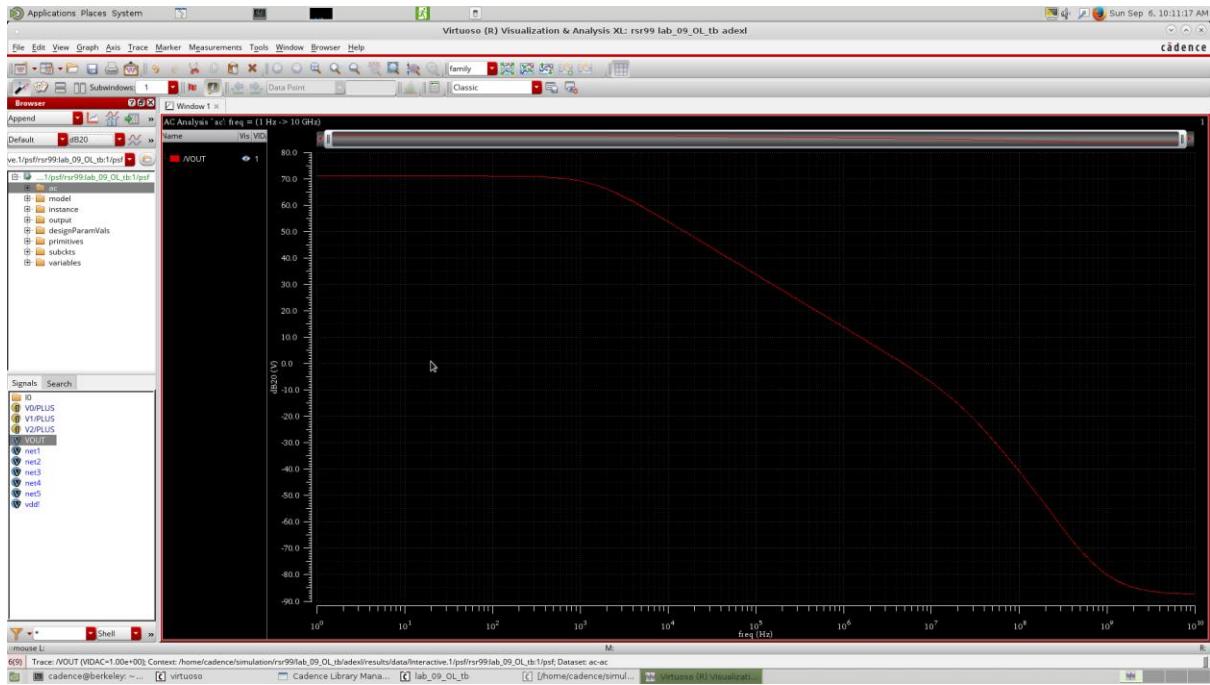


- The OTA with DC node voltages
- $V_{out1} = 604.8 \text{ mV}$ as $V_{out1} = V_{GS3,4,6}$
- $V_{out2} = 878.1 \text{ mV}$ as $V_{out2} = V_{DS6} = V_{DD} - V_{DS7} \approx \frac{V_{DD}}{2}$



- DC OP
- The current & g_m in the input pair are exactly equal

2) Diff small signal ccs



- Diff gain (db) vs frequency

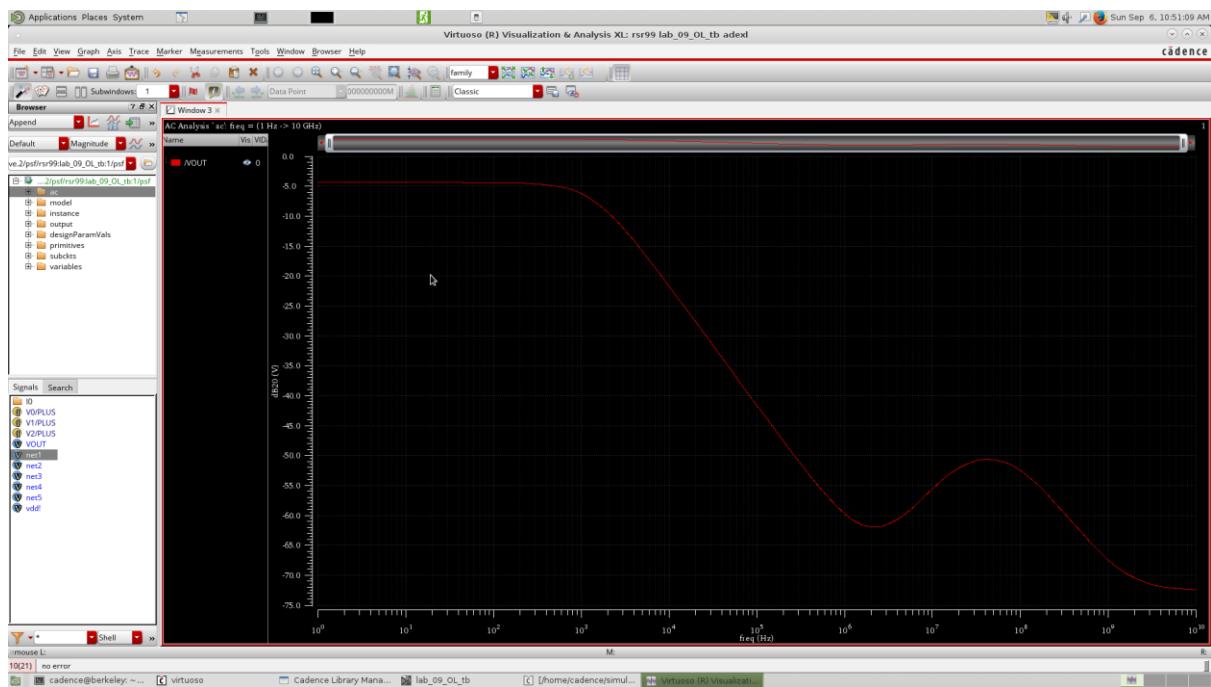
<code>ymax(mag(v("/VOUT" ?result "ac")))</code>	3.637E3
<code>ymax(dB20(mag(v("/VOUT" ?result "ac"))))</code>	71.22
<code>bandwidth(mag(v("/VOUT" ?result "ac")) 3 "low")</code>	1.371E3
<code>gainBwProd(mag(v("/VOUT" ?result "ac")))</code>	5.000E6
<code>unityGainFreq(mag(v("/VOUT" ?result "ac")))</code>	4.874E6

- DC gain , BW , GBW & UGF from simulation
- Analytically:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{DC gain} = A_v = A_{v1}A_{v2} = g_{m1,2}(r_{o2} \parallel r_{o4}) * g_{m6}(r_{o6} \parallel r_{o7}) \\
 & = g_{m1,2} \left(\frac{1}{g_{ds2}} \parallel \frac{1}{g_{ds4}} \right) * g_{m6} \left(\frac{1}{g_{ds6}} \parallel \frac{1}{g_{ds7}} \right) = 3.65k = 71.25db \\
 & \text{BW} = \frac{1}{(r_{o2} \parallel r_{o4}) * (C_c(g_{m6}(r_{o6} \parallel r_{o7})))} = \frac{1}{g_{m6} \left(\frac{1}{g_{ds6}} \parallel \frac{1}{g_{ds7}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{g_{ds2}} \parallel \frac{1}{g_{ds4}} \right) C_c} \\
 & = 8.883 \text{ k } r/s = 1.414 \text{ kHz} \\
 & \text{GBW} = A_v * \text{BW} = \frac{g_{m1,2}}{C_c} = 32.432 \text{ M } r/s = 5.162 \text{ MHz}
 \end{aligned}$$

	Simulation results	Hand analysis results
<i>DC gain</i>	$3.637k = 71.22db$	$3.65k = 71.25db$
<i>BW</i>	$1.371kHz$	$1.414kHz$
<i>GBW</i>	$5MHz$	$5.162MHz$

3) CM small signal ccs



- CM gain (db) vs frequency

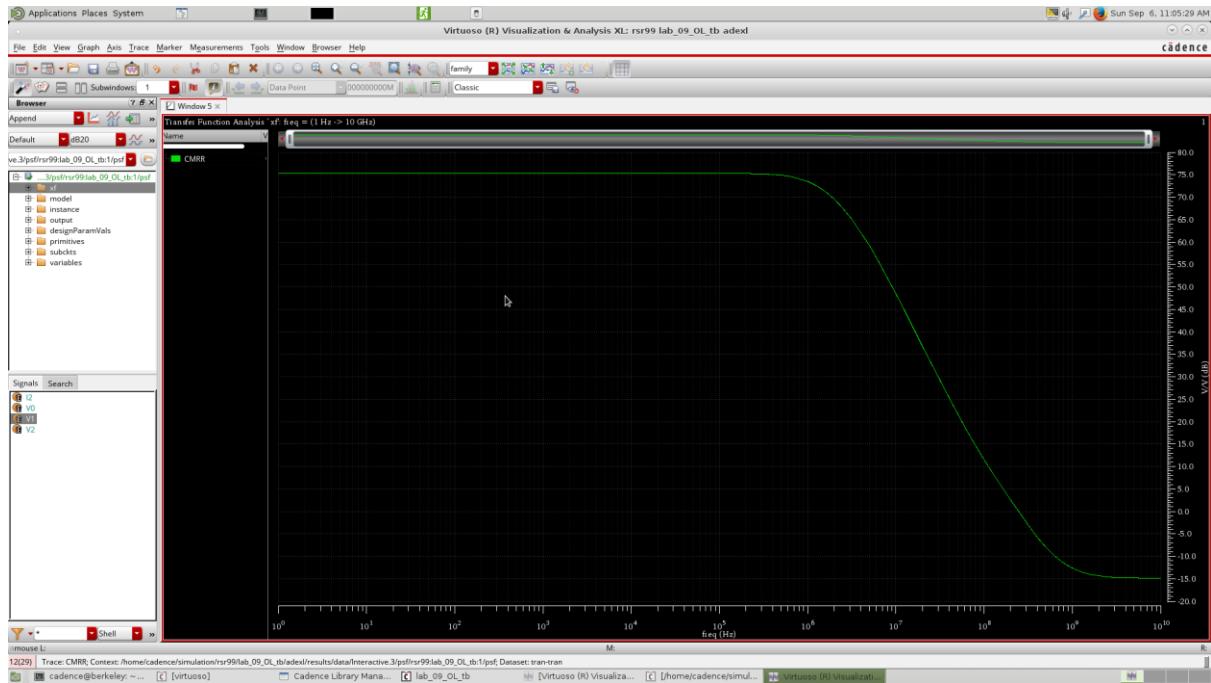
ymax(mag(v"/VOUT" ?result "ac")))	609.7E-3
ymax(dB20(mag(v"/VOUT" ?result "ac"))))	-4.298

- CM gain from simulation
 - Analytically:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CM gain} &= A_{vCM} = A_{v1CM} * A_{v2} = \frac{1}{2g_{m3,4}r_{o5}} * g_{m6}(r_{o6} \setminus r_{o7}) \\ &= \frac{g_{ds5}}{2g_{m3,4}} * g_{m6}\left(\frac{1}{g_{ds6}} \setminus \frac{1}{g_{ds7}}\right) = 625.13m = -4.08db \end{aligned}$$

	Simulation results	Hand analysis results
CM gain	$609.7m = -4.298db$	$625.13m = -4.08db$

4) CMRR



- CMRR (db) vs frequency

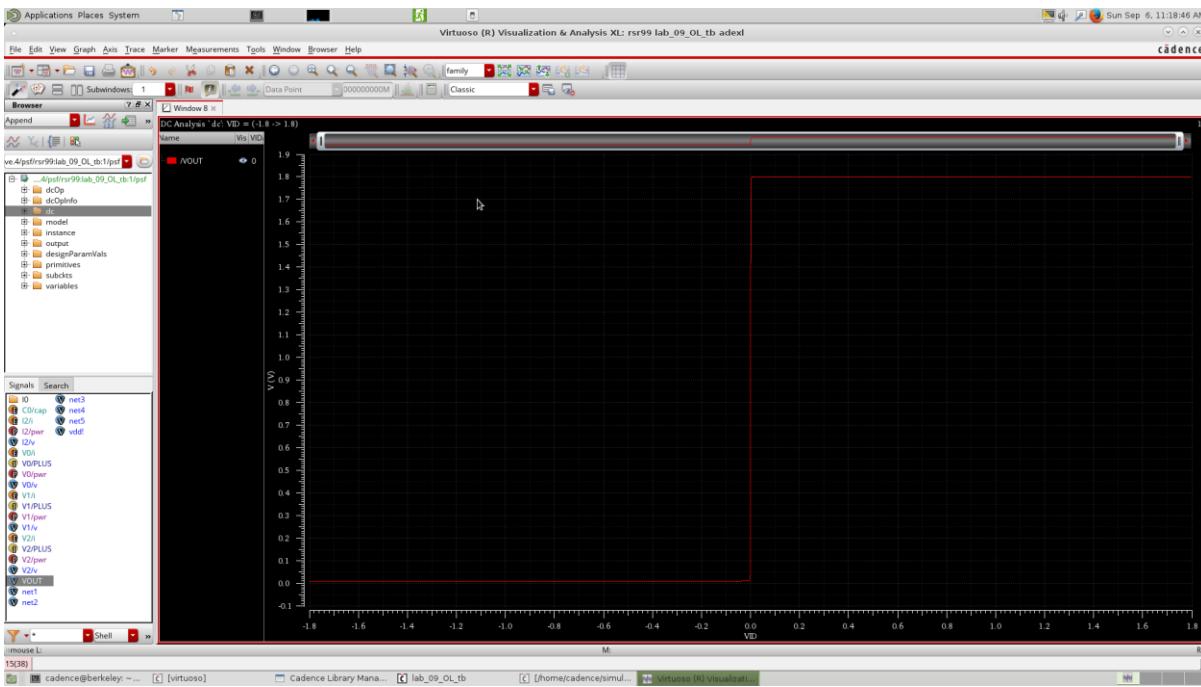
Expression	<code>ymax(value((mag(getData("/V2" ?result "xf")) / mag(getData("/V1" ?result "xf")))) "VID..."</code>
Value	5.966E3
Expression	<code>ymax(dB20(value((mag(getData("/V2" ?result "xf")) / mag(getData("/V1" ?result "xf")))))</code>
Value	75.51

- CMRR from simulation
- Analytically:

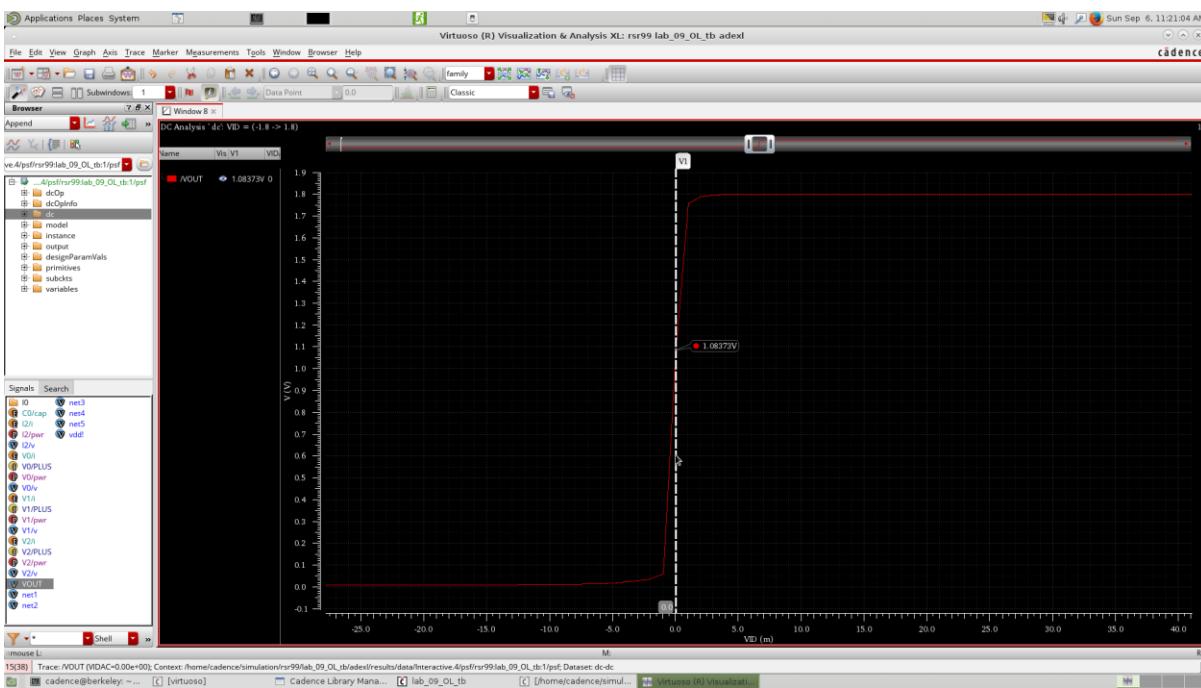
$$\begin{aligned} \text{CMRR} &= \frac{A_v}{A_{vCM}} = \frac{\frac{g_{m1,2}(r_{o2} \parallel r_{o4}) * g_{m6}(r_{o6} \parallel r_{o7})}{\frac{1}{2g_{m3,4}r_{o5}} * g_{m6}(r_{o6} \parallel r_{o7})}} = g_{m1,2} \left(\frac{1}{g_{ds2}} \parallel \frac{1}{g_{ds4}} \right) * \frac{2g_{m3,4}}{g_{ds5}} \\ &= 5.84k = 75.33db \end{aligned}$$

	Simulation results	Hand analysis results
CMRR	$5.966k = 75.51db$	$5.84k = 75.33db$

5) Diff large signal ccs

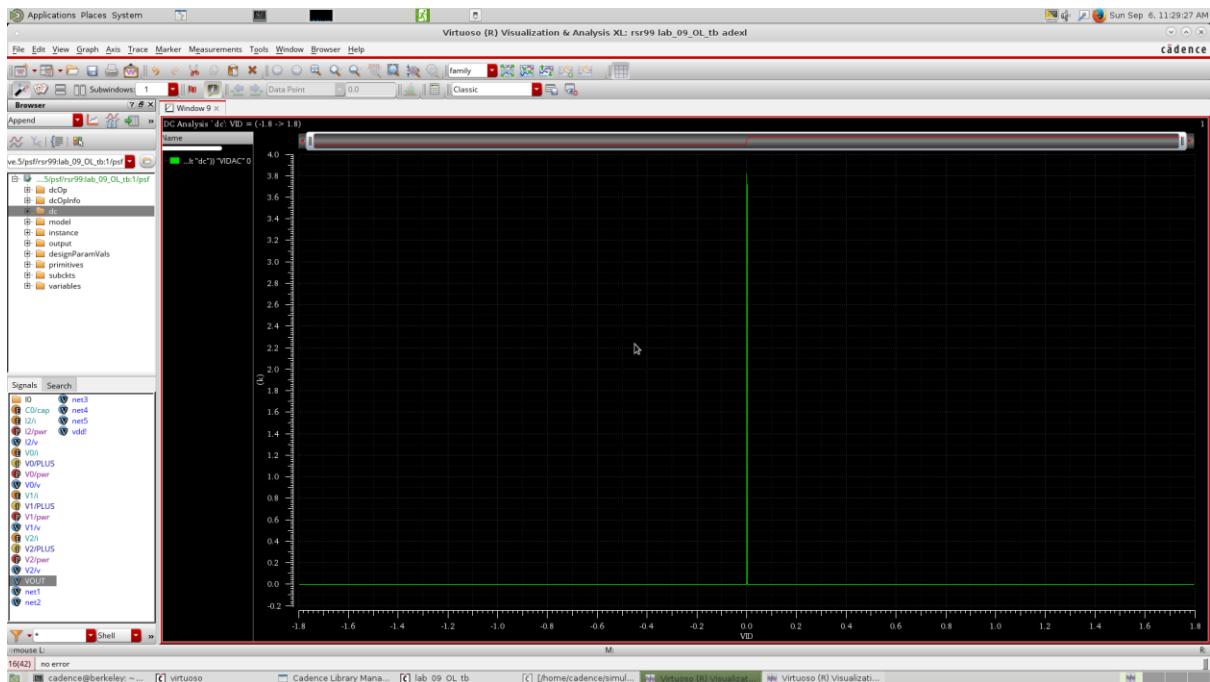


- V_{out} vs V_{id} @ $V_{icM} = \frac{V_{DD}}{2} = 0.9$



- $V_{out} = 1.08373v$ @ $V_{id} = 0$ & $V_{icM} = 0.9$

	From V_{out} vs V_{id} @ $V_{icM} = 0.9$	From DC OP @ $V_{icM} = 0.6$
V_{out} @ $V_{id} = 0$	1.08373v	878.1mv



- V_{out} deriv vs V_{id}

Expression	<code>ymax(value(deriv(v("/VOUT" ?result "dc")) "VIDAC" 0.0))</code>
Value	3.826E3

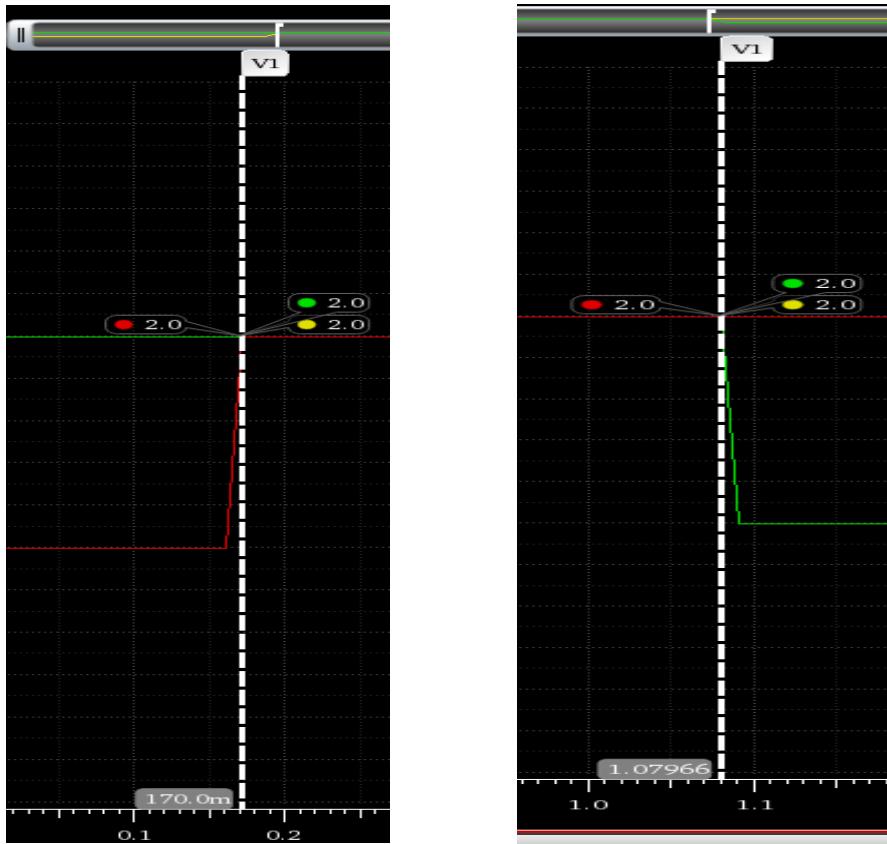
- V_{out} deriv peak from simulation

V_{out} derive peak	A_{vd}
$3.826k = 71.65db$	$3.637k = 71.22db$

6) CM large signal ccs (region vs VICM)



- Region OP vs V_{iCM}



- $CMIR = (0.17 - 1.07966)$ from simulation

- Analytically:

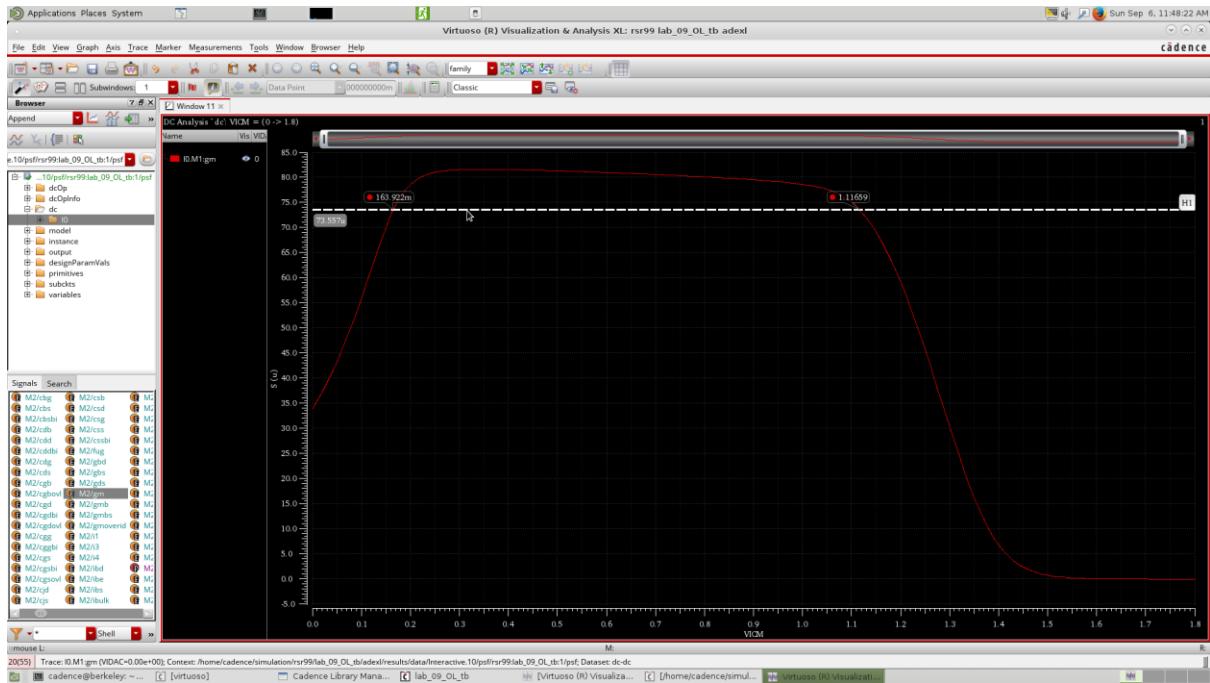
➤ $CMIR_{low} = -|V_{GS1,2}| + V_{Dsat1,2} + V_{GS3,4} = 0.1679$

➤ $CMIR_{high} = V_{DD} - V_{Dsat5} - |V_{GS1,2}| = 1.0694$

	Simulation results	Hand analysis results
$CMIR$	$0.17 - 1.07966$	$0.1679 - 1.0694$

7) CM large signal ccs (GBW vs VICM)

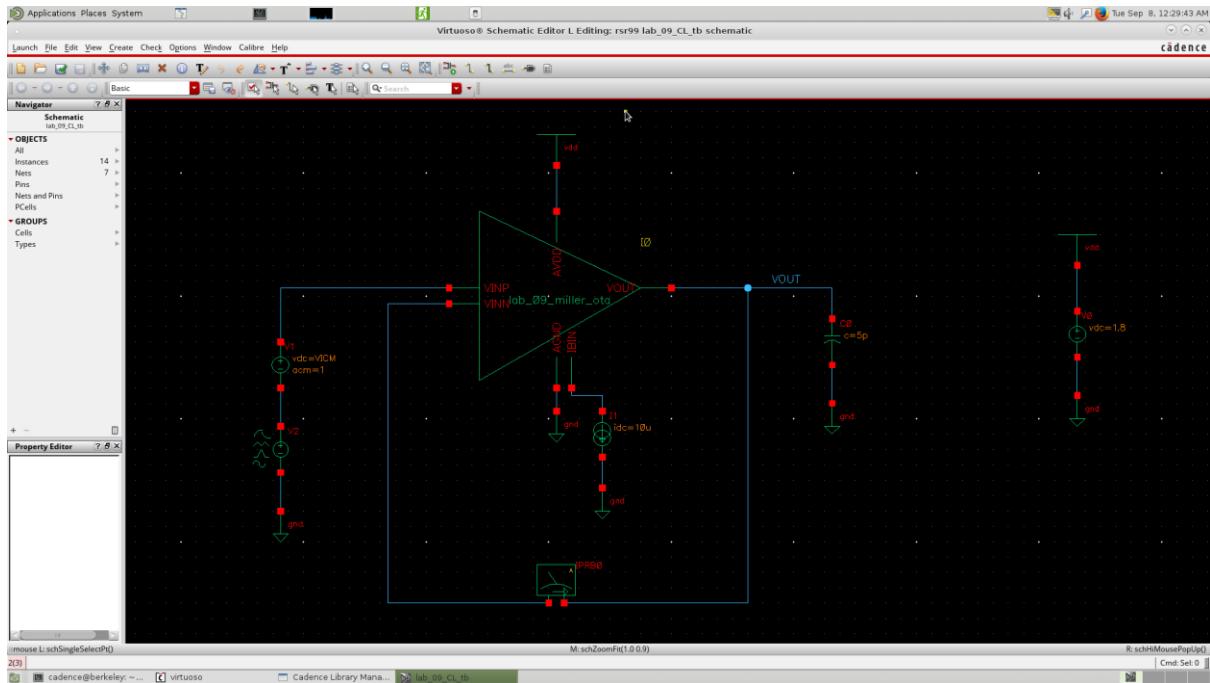
$\because GBW = \frac{g_{m1,2}}{2\pi C_C} \rightarrow \therefore GBW$ variation is itself g_m variation



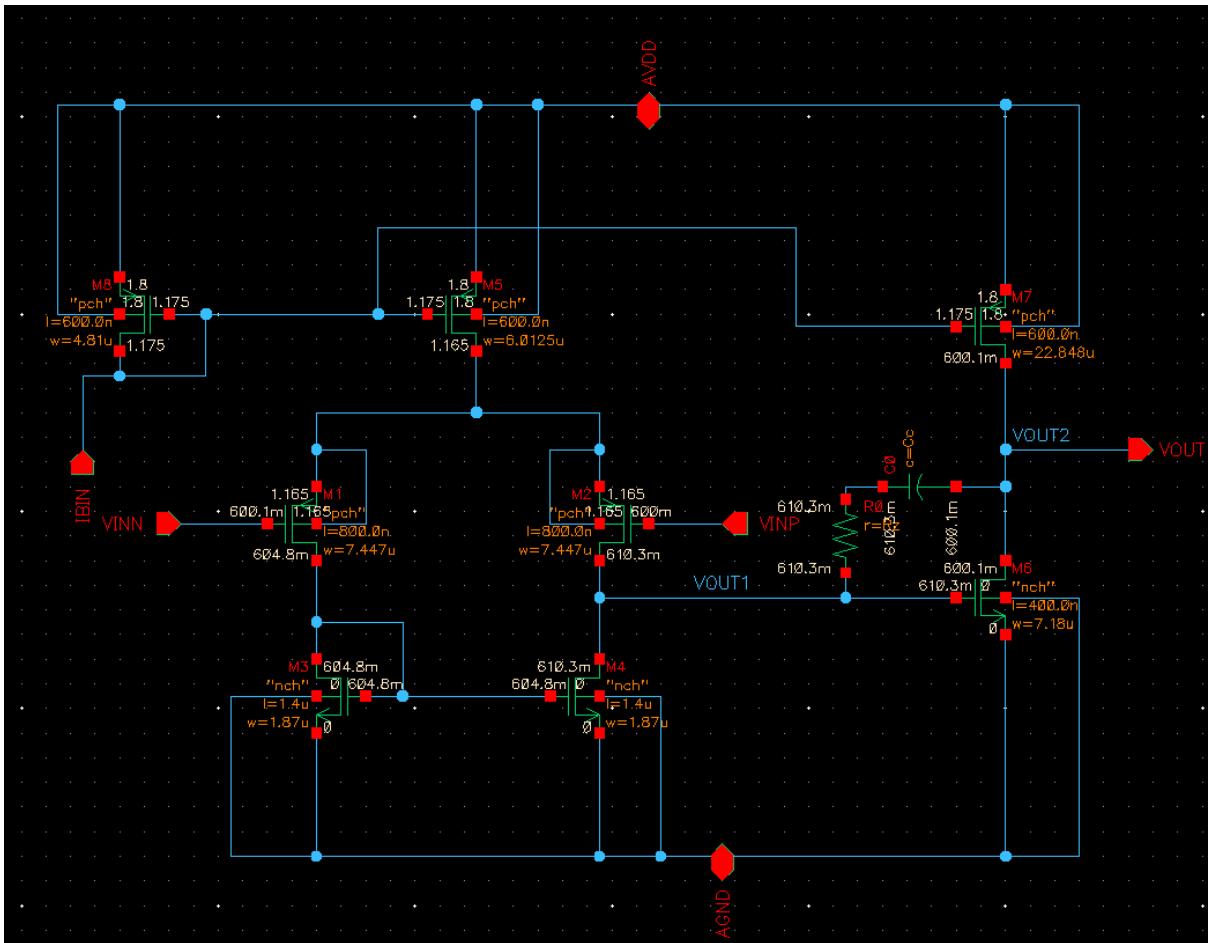
- $g_m(GBW)$ vs V_{iCM}
- $CMIR = 163.922m - 1.11659$ from simulation

- From both region and GBW simulation: $CMIR = 163.922m - 1.07966$

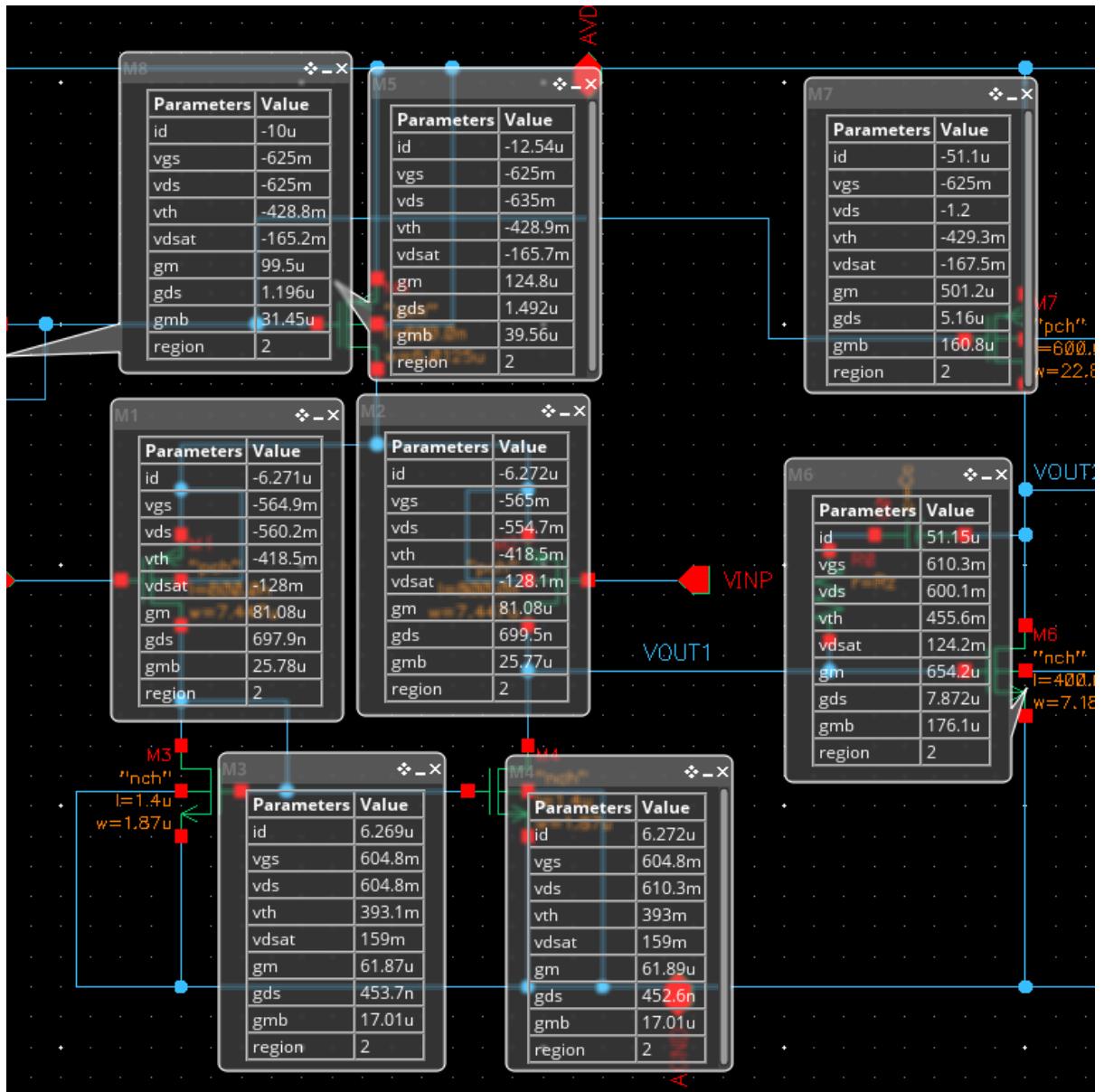
■ Part 4: Closed-Loop OTA Simulation



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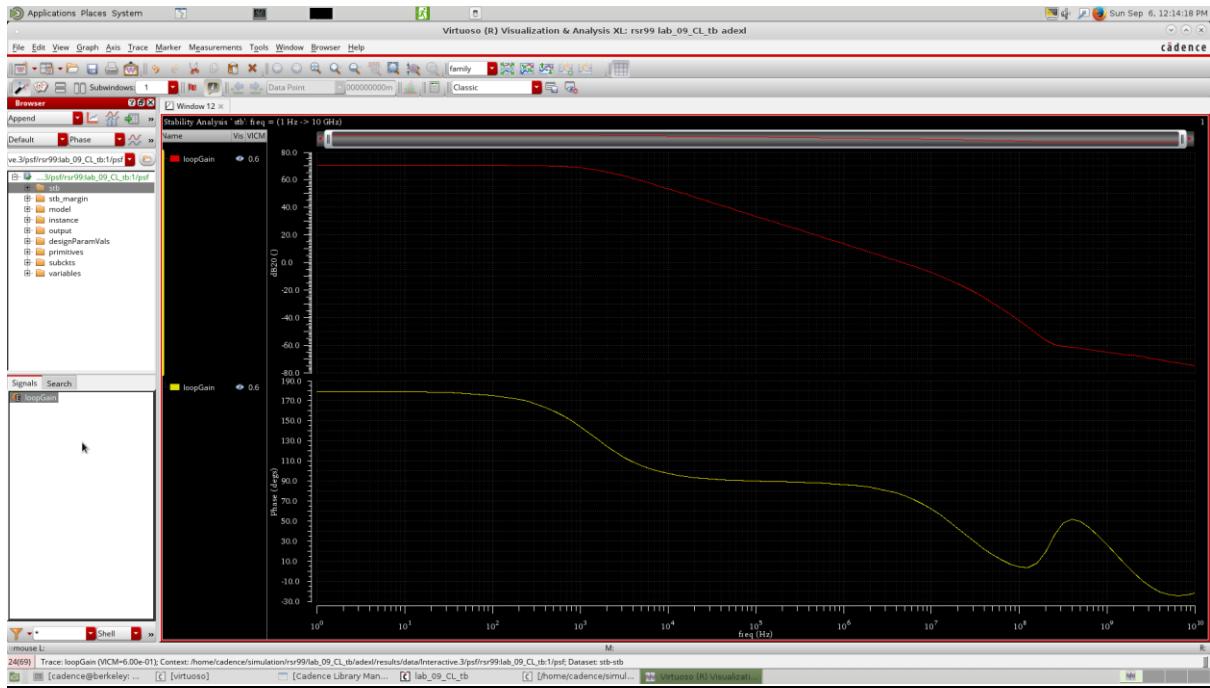


- The OTA with DC node voltages



- DC OP
- The DC voltages at the input terminals of the op amp are not exactly the same
- V_{out1} (610.3m) is not exactly equal to its value in OL simulation (604.8m)
- The currents in the input pair are not exactly equal
- as V_{out} deviates from its CM level in order to follow the input which cause imbalance in the circuit which act as a mismatch

1) Loop gain



- LG (db & phase) vs frequency

<code>ymax(mag(getData("loopGain" ?result "stb")))</code>	3.519E3
<code>ymax(db20(mag(getData("loopGain" ?result "stb"))))</code>	70.93
<code>bandwidth(mag(getData("loopGain" ?result "stb")) 3 "low")</code>	1.416E3
<code>gainBwProd(mag(getData("loopGain" ?result "stb"))))</code>	4.997E6
<code>unityGainFreq(mag(getData("loopGain" ?result "stb"))))</code>	4.872E6

- DC LG , BW , GBW & UGF from simulation

	OL Simulation results	CL Simulation results
<i>DC gain</i>	$3.637k = 71.22db$	$3.519k = 70.93db$
<i>BW</i>	$1.371kHz$	$1.416kHz$
<i>GBW</i>	$5MHz$	$4.997MHz$

- Analytically:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DC LG} &= \beta A_{OL} \approx A_{OL} = A_v = g_{m1,2} \left(\frac{1}{g_{ds2}} \parallel \frac{1}{g_{ds4}} \right) * g_{m6} \left(\frac{1}{g_{ds6}} \parallel \frac{1}{g_{ds7}} \right) \\ &= 3.533k = 70.96db \end{aligned}$$

$$BW = \frac{1}{g_{m6} \left(\frac{1}{g_{ds6}} \parallel \frac{1}{g_{ds7}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{g_{ds2}} \parallel \frac{1}{g_{ds4}} \right) C_c} = 9.18kr/s = 1.461kHz$$

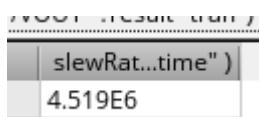
$$GBW = DC\ LG * BW = \frac{g_{m1,2}}{2\pi C_c} = 5.162MHz$$

	Simulation results	Hand analysis results
<i>DC LG</i>	$3.519k = 70.93db$	$3.533k = 70.96db$
<i>BW</i>	$1.416kHz$	$1.461kHz$
<i>GBW</i>	$4.997MHz$	$5.162MHz$

2) Slew rate



- V_{in} & V_{out} overlaid vs time

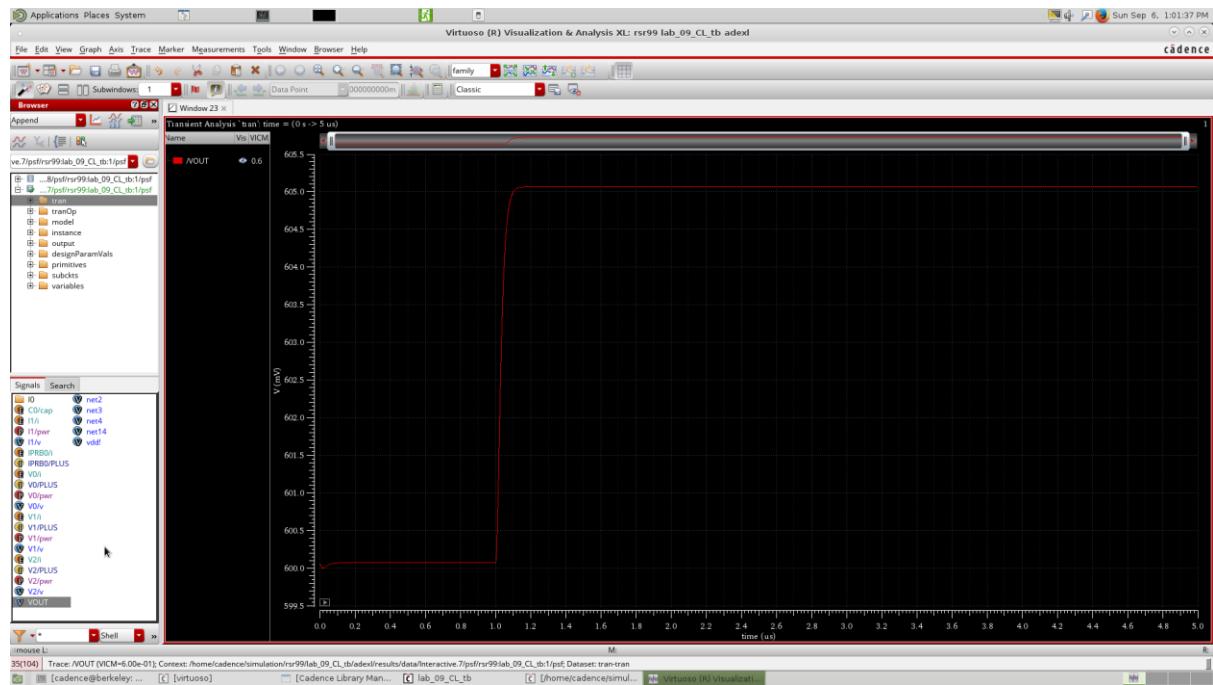


- Slew rate from simulation
- Analytically:

➤ Slew rate = $SR = \frac{I_{B1}}{C_c} = 5.016M v/s = 5.016 v/\mu s$

	Simulation results	Hand analysis results
Slew rate	$4.519 v/\mu s$	$5.016 v/\mu s$

3) Settling time



- V_{out} vs time

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'VOUT' ?result "tran" ..
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<code> riseTim...time" </code>
50.98E-9

- V_{out} rise time from simulation
- Analytically:

$$\gg t_{rise} = 2.2 * \frac{1}{g_{m1,2}} * C_c = 67.834ns$$

	Simulation results	Hand analysis results
Rise time	50.98ns	67.934ns

- There is no ringing as the system is critically damped.