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**80 minute quiz, OPEN Book. Please write your student number on all sheets, including rough work.**

**Part A- Multiple choice Questions ANSWER ANY 10 Questions (see separate sheet 2) - worth 0.6%**

See separate sheet – answer on the Question sheet.

**Part B- Answer 2 Questions – show all formulas and rough work -- worth 1.4%**

QB1.

For an NMOS differential pair with a common-mode voltage  $v_{CM}$  applied, as shown in Fig.1.

let  $V_{DD} = V_{SS} = 3\text{ V}$ ,  $k'(W/L) = 3\text{ mA/V}^2$ ,  $V_{th} = 0.7\text{ V}$ ,  $I = 0.2\text{ mA}$ ,  $R_D = 5\text{ kohm}$ , and neglect channel-length modulation.

(a) Find  $V_{OV}$  and  $V_{GS}$  for each transistor.

(b) For  $v_{CM} = 0$ , find  $v_{S1}$ ,  $i_{D1}$ ,  $i_{D2}$ ,  $v_{D1}$ , and  $v_{D2}$ .

(c) Repeat (b) for  $v_{CM} = +1\text{ V}$ .

(d) Repeat (b) for  $v_{CM} = -1\text{ V}$ .

(e) What is the highest value of  $v_{CM}$  for which  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  remain in saturation?

(f) If current source  $I$  requires a minimum voltage of  $0.3\text{ V}$  to operate properly, what is the lowest value allowed for  $v_S$  and hence for  $v_{CM}$ ?

QB2.

For the differential amplifier of Fig. 2, let  $I = 1\text{ mA}$ ,  $V_{CC} = V_{EE} = 5\text{ V}$ ,  $V_{CM} = -2\text{ V}$ ,  $R_C = 3\text{ k}\Omega$ , and  $\beta = 100$ .

Assume that the BJTs have  $v_{BE} = 0.7\text{ V}$  at  $i_C = 0.5\text{ mA}$ . Find the voltage at the emitters and at the outputs and estimate the Input resistance  $R_i$  and common mode gain  $A_{CM}$ .

Fig 1.

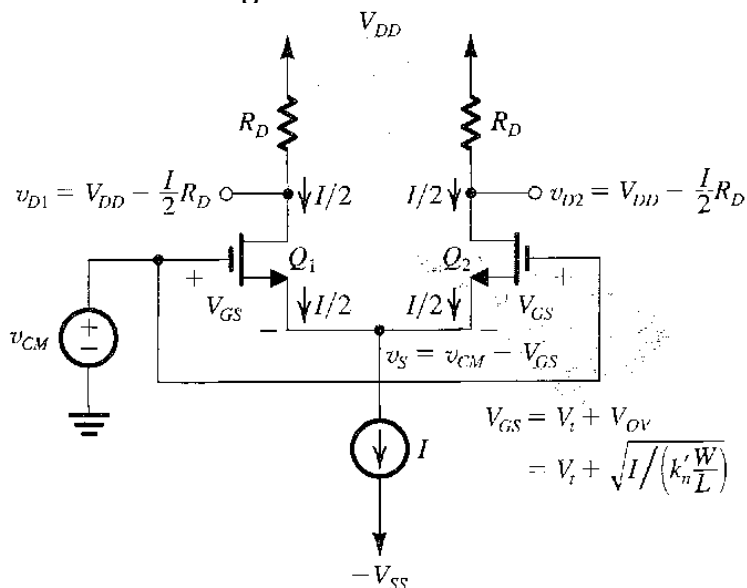


Fig 2

