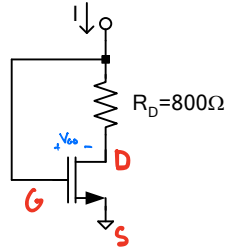


1. Find the value of the dc bias current  $I$  for which the transistor in the following circuit is at the border point between triode and saturation regions. Assume  $\lambda = 0$ ,  $V_{TH} = 0.6V$ ,  $\mu_n C_{ox} = 180 \mu A/V^2$ ,  $(W/L)_{NMOS} = 30$ ,  $R_D = 0.8k\Omega$ .

$$V_{GD} = R_D I$$



Boundary of Saturation/Triode Region:

$$V_{GS} - V_{th} = V_{DS} \rightarrow V_{GS} - V_{DS} = V_{th}$$

$$\therefore V_{GD} = V_{th}$$

$$R_D I = 0.6V \rightarrow 0.8k\Omega I = 0.6V$$

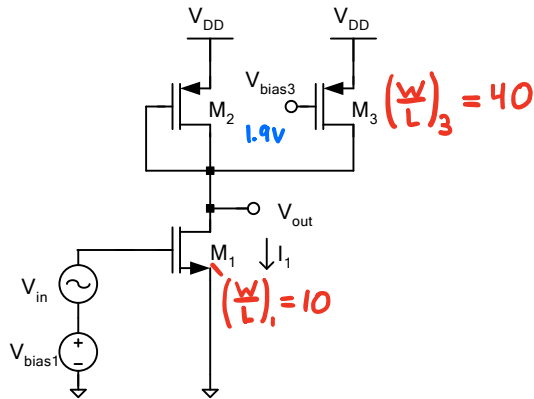
$$\therefore I = 0.75mA$$

$I > 0.75mA$  ,  $V_{GD} > V_{th}$  Triode Region

$I < 0.75mA$  ,  $V_{GD} < V_{th}$  Saturation Region

2. Using the following device parameters:

$\lambda = \gamma = 0$ ,  $V_{TH0(NMOS)} = 0.5V$ ,  $V_{TH0(PMOS)} = -0.6V$ ,  $\mu_n C_{ox} = 200 \mu A/V^2$ , and  $\mu_p C_{ox} = 100 \mu A/V^2$ , in the following circuit assume that all transistors are operating in the saturation region. Also, assume that  $V_{DD} = 3V$ ,  $V_{bias3} = 1.9V$ ,  $(W/L)_1 = 10$ , and  $(W/L)_3 = 40$ .



a) Find  $V_{bias1}$  such that the bias current of  $M_1$  is  $I_1 = 1mA$ .

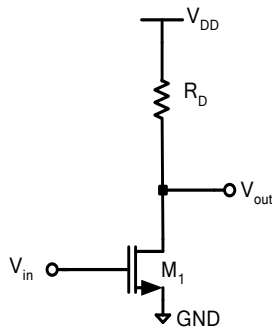
b) For  $I_1 = 1mA$ , find  $(W/L)_2$  such that the magnitude of the small-signal gain of the circuit is 2.

3. Design a common-source amplifier with a resistive load based on the schematic shown below with the following design specifications:

- $V_{DD}=1.8V$
- Transistor  $M_1$  is in saturation
- The minimum possible output voltage to keep  $M_1$  in saturation is  $0.2V$
- Total power consumption of the amplifier is  $0.9mW$
- Absolute value of gain of 10
- $L=0.4\mu m$  for the transistor

The technology parameters are:

$\lambda_{(NMOS)} = 0$ ,  $\gamma = 0$ ,  $V_{DD}=1.8V$ ,  $V_{TH(NMOS)} = 0.4V$ ,  $\mu_n C_{ox} = 1 \text{ mA/V}^2$ .



Find the following values:

- 1) DC level of the input
- 2) Width ( $W_1$ ) of transistor  $M_1$
- 3)  $R_D$
- 4) Nominal dc level (bias level) of the output node
- 5) Maximum output signal swing for a symmetric output signal

