

Homework1 Solution

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1 Problem 1

(a).

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow S = \sqrt{2}/2$$

(b).

Voltage should scale as S, because

$$E_{ox} = (V_{DD} - V_{th}) / t_{ox}$$

where the t_{ox} is gate oxide thickness

To keep E_{ox} constant, V scales as S, V_{th} scales as S.

(c).

Density of transistor $\sim 1/s^2$

Drain source current in saturation region $\sim S$

$$I_{ds} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{TH})^2$$

C_{ox} scales as $1/S$, as voltages goes as S, $I_{ds} \sim S$

g_m remain constant

$$g_m = \left. \frac{\partial I_D}{\partial V_{GS}} \right|_{V_{DS} \text{const}} = \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{TH})$$

C_{ox} scales as $1/S$, Hence g_m remain constant

junction capacitance $\sim \frac{S^2}{S} = S$, $C \sim \frac{\text{Area}}{\text{Distance}}$

$r_o \sim 1$ $r_o = \frac{1}{\lambda \times I_{ds}}$, λ scales with $1/s$ while I_{ds} scales as S, hence no change in r_o

(d).

$$Idt = dVC$$

$$dV \sim S$$

$$C \sim S$$

$$I \sim S \Rightarrow dt \sim S$$

$1/dt \sim 1/S$, the speed f scales as $1/S$

(e).

$P = C_{GS} V_{DD}^2 f$, single device scales as $S \times S_2 \times 1/S = S^2$

Total power consumption: $S^2 \times \frac{1}{S^2} = 1$ remains unchanged.

(f).

Could be fabrication technique, could be quantum effects influence device performance.

2 Problem 2

a.

Before switch turn on, $V_{gs} = 0 > V_{TH} = -0.4$, there is no current in PMOS

After switch turns on, $V_{SD} = 1V > V_{SG} + V_{TP} = 0.6V$, PMOS is in saturation regime.

$$I_{SD} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_p C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (|V_{GS} - V_{TH}|)^2 = 277 \mu A$$

For the Cap, $i = C \frac{dV}{dt} \Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt} = 2.77 \times 10^9 \frac{V}{S}$ Capacitor will charge linearly because of the constant current until $V_x = 0.4V$, then $V_{GD} = -0.4 = V_{TH}$

$$V_x(t) = V_x(t=0) + \int \frac{dV_x}{dt} = 0.4 V$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 1.44 \times 10^{-10} s$$

b.

At first, PMOS is in saturation region, after 1.44×10^{10} s capacitor charge, PMOS now is in triode region.

$$I_{SD} = \mu_p C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} \left[(V_{SG} - |V_{TH}|) \cdot V_{SD} - \frac{1}{2} V_{SD}^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial I_{SD}}{\partial V_{SV}} = \mu_p C_{OX} \frac{W}{\tau} (V_{SG} - |V_{TH,p}| - V_{SD})$$

v_{SD} will goes from 0.6 to 0, we will use an average value by assuming $V_{SD} = 0.3$, so we can approximate the transistor as resistor.

$$\frac{\partial I_{SD}}{\partial V_{SG}} = 4.62 \times 10^{-4} \Omega^{-1} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial V_{SG}}{\partial I_{SD}} = 2167 \Omega$$

Now we have this circuit:

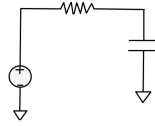


Figure 1: Problem2-b

$$V_x(t) = V_{fin} - (V_{fin} - V_{init}) e^{\frac{-(t-t_1)}{RC}} = 1 - (1.0 - 0.4) e^{\frac{-(t-1.44 \times 10^{-10})}{2.167 \times 10^{-10}}}$$

After $\Delta t = t - t_1 = RC$, V_x will be $V_f - (V_f - V_i) \times e^{-1} = 0.78V$ and $t = 3.6 \times 10^{-10} s$

$$\frac{\partial V_x(t)}{\partial t} = \frac{V_f - V_i}{RC} = \frac{0.6V}{2.167 \times 10^{-10} s} = 2.77 \times 10^9 \frac{V}{S}$$

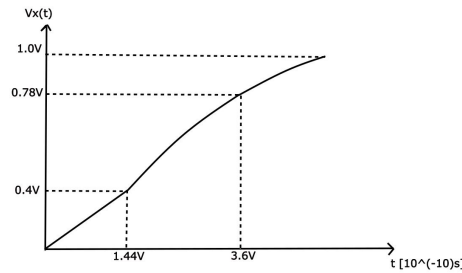


Figure 2: Problem2-b-2

c.

In this situation, the circuit won't work very well because the PMOS will off when $V_{SG} = 0.3$ because $V_{TH} = 0.4V$. If V_x starts at a high voltage before V_{SW} goes 1 to 0, then it will drop to 0.4, and the current will stay flowing, so V_x will never read V_{in} .

We can use the following circuit:

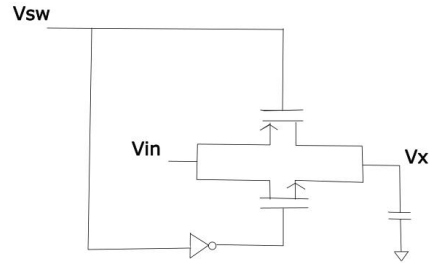


Figure 3: Problem2c

The NMOS can solve this issue when V_{in} is low and PMOS can solve this issue when V_{in} is high.

3 Problem 3

a.

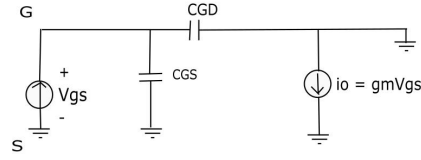


Figure 4: Problem3A

Note that V_{gs} is a small signal.

$$i = j\omega(CGD + CGS)V_{gs} \text{ and } i_o = gmV_{gs}$$

so,

$$|\beta| = \frac{i_0}{i_i} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{g_m}{\omega_T (C_{GD} + C_{GS})} = 1$$

$$\omega_T = \frac{g_m}{C_{GD} + c_{GS}}$$

$$f_t = \frac{w_t}{2 \times \pi} = \frac{g_m}{2 \times \pi \times (C_{gd} + C_{gs})}$$

c.

$$g_m = \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{TH})$$

$$C_{GD} + C_{GS} \approx C_{ox} WL.$$

Plug into the original f_t from part a can prove the equation

4 Problem 4

NMOS:

From book, we know

$$C_{ox} = \frac{\varepsilon_{ox}}{t_{ox}} = \frac{8.85 \times 10^{-14} \times 3.9}{9 \times 10^{-7}} = 3.83 fF/(um)^2$$

also, $\mu_n = UO$, Hence,

$$g_m = \sqrt{2u_n C_{ox} \frac{w}{L} I_{DS}} = 3.66 \frac{mA}{V}$$

$$r_o = \frac{1}{\lambda I_{DS}} = 20 k\Omega$$

$$g_m r_o = 73.3$$

PMOS:

$$g_m = \sqrt{2N_p C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} I_{DS}} = 1.96 \frac{mA}{V}$$

$$r_o = \frac{1}{\lambda I_{DS}} = 10 k\Omega$$

$$g_m r_o = 19.6$$

5 Problem 5

NMOS as a example, we have, in saturation:

$$I_D \approx \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{TH})^2 (1 + \lambda V_{DS})$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_m &= \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{TH}) (1 + \lambda V_{DS}) \\ &= \sqrt{2 \mu_n C_{ox} (W/L) I_D} (1 + \lambda V_{DS}) \end{aligned}$$

λV_{DS} is small,

$$\begin{aligned} g_m &= \sqrt{2 \mu_n C_{ox} (W/L) I_D} \\ r_O &= \frac{\partial V_{DS}}{\partial I_D} \\ &= \frac{1}{\partial I_D / \partial V_{DS}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{TH})^2 \cdot \lambda} \\ &\approx \frac{1}{\lambda I_D} \end{aligned}$$

so,

$$g_m r_O = \frac{\sqrt{2 \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} I_{DS}}}{\lambda I_{DS}}$$

Since $\lambda \propto \frac{1}{L}$, we can rewrite

$$g_m r_O = C \cdot \sqrt{\frac{L}{I_{DS}}}$$

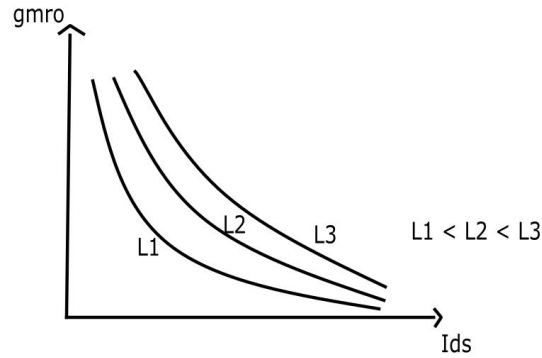


Figure 5: Problem5