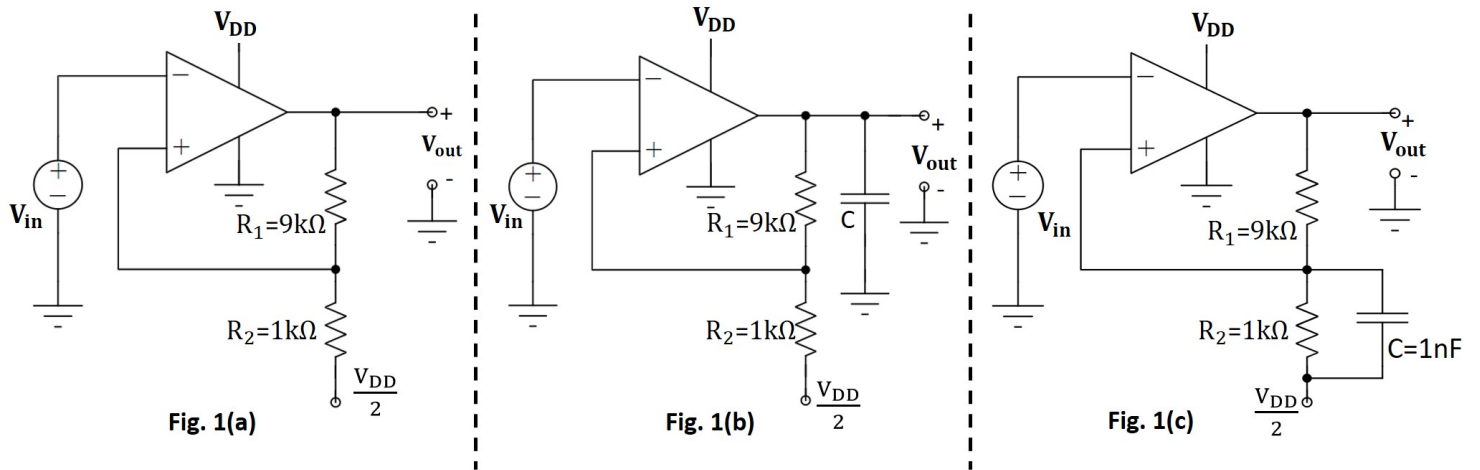


## Mid-semester Examination

Total Marks : 20

Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023, Time: 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm.

Q1)



- (a) Fig. 1(a) shows schematic of a single-supply non-inverting amplifier (Op-Amp is ideal).

$$V_{in}(t) = V_m \sin(\omega_0 t) + V_{DD}/2$$

where,  $V_m = 0.04V_{DD}$ . Derive the expression for  $V_{out}(t)$

{1 mark}

- (b) All conditions remain same as the conditions in Q1(a) except adding a parasitic capacitor at the output as shown in Fig. 1(b). Will there be any change in  $V_{out}$  as compared to Fig. 1(a)? If answer is yes, derive the new expression of  $V_{out}(t)$  with  $C$  as a parameter. If answer is no, explain the reason.

{1 mark}

- (c) All conditions remain same as the conditions in Q1(a) except adding a capacitor of  $1nF$  parallel to  $R_2$  as shown in Fig. 1(c). Consider only sinusoidal components of  $V_{in}$  and  $V_{out}$  (i.e. small signal voltages). Determine how voltage gain of the circuit will vary with frequency. Plot  $20\log(\text{magnitude of voltage gain})$  as a function of  $\log(\omega)$ .

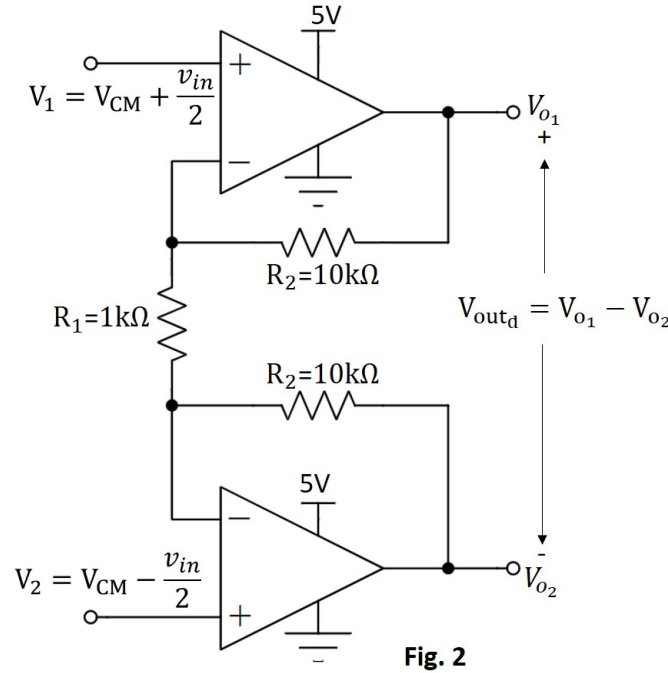
{1 + 1 + 1 marks}

Q2)

Consider fully differential instrumentation amplifier shown in Fig. 2. Op-Amps are ideal but with limited swing, i.e.

$$V_{1max} = V_{2max} = 4V; \quad V_{1min} = V_{2min} = 1V.$$

$$V_{o1max} = V_{o2max} = 4.5V; \quad V_{o1min} = V_{o2min} = 0.5V.$$



- (a) For  $v_{in_{max}} = 50\text{mV}$ , determine  $V_{CM_{max}}$  and  $V_{CM_{min}}$ . {1 mark}
- (b) If  $V_{CM} = 2\text{V}$ , determine  $v_{in_{max}}$ . {1 mark}
- (c) Determine amount of current sourced to/or sunk from output of each Op-Amp for Q2(a) and Q2(b) each. {1 + 1 marks}
- (d) If a resistor  $R = 40\text{k}\Omega$  is connected between  $V_{o1}$  and  $V_{o2}$ , how will  $A_{vd} = V_{out_d}/v_{in}$  change? {1 mark}

**Information related to questions 3 and 4:**

For NMOS transistors:  $\mu_n C_{ox} = 400\mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2$ ,  $\lambda \approx 0$  (negligible),  $V_{tn} = 0.4\text{V}$ .

$$I_D \approx \frac{\mu_n C_{ox}}{2} \left( \frac{W}{L} \right) (V_{GS} - V_{tn})^2 ; V_{GST} = V_{GS} - V_{tn}, \text{ (Saturation or pinch-off region)}$$

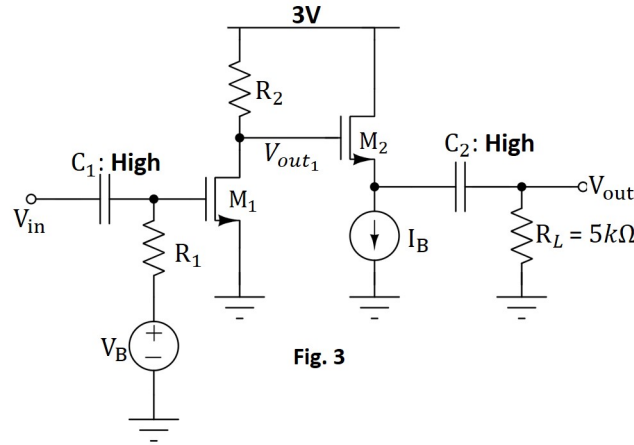
$$I_D \approx \mu_n C_{ox} \left( \frac{W}{L} \right) (V_{GS} - V_{tn}) V_{DS} \text{ (Ohmic or linear region).}$$

**Q3)**

Consider the circuit schematic of common source amplifier followed by a source follower stage as shown in Fig. 3.

- $C_1$  and  $C_2$  will be almost like a short circuit at the frequency of small signal  $v_{in}$ .
- DC information:  $V_{GST1} = V_{GST2} = 0.2\text{V}$ ,  $I_{D_{M1}} = 0.2\text{mA}$

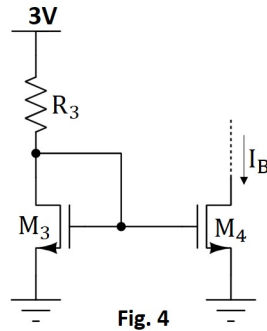
- (a) If small signal voltage gain  $\frac{v_{out1}}{v_{in}} = -20$ , determine  $\left( \frac{W}{L} \right)_{M1}$ ,  $V_B$  and  $R_2$ . Show transistor  $M_1$  is biased in the saturation region. {0.5 + 0.5 + 0.5 + 1 marks}



- (b) If small signal transfer function  $\frac{v_{out}}{v_{out1}} = 0.9$ , determine bias current  $I_B$ . For this purpose, first derive the small signal  $\frac{v_{out}}{v_{out1}}$  as a function of  $g_{m2}$  and  $R_L$  by drawing the small signal circuit of  $M_2$  and then calculate  $I_B$ . {1 + 1 marks}
- (c) Determine small signal gain  $\frac{v_{out}}{v_{in}}$ , DC value of  $V_{out}$  and DC voltage across current source  $I_B$ . {0.5 + 0.5 + 0.5 marks}
- (d) What would be the problem if the source follower stage is removed and capacitor  $C_2$  & resistor  $R_L$  are directly connected to the drain of  $M_1$  in Fig. 3. {1 mark}

#### Q4)

An ideal current source  $I_B$  was used in Fig. 3 to bias transistor  $M_2$ . In this question you will design an actual circuit for generating  $I_B$ , shown in Fig. 4.



Requirements:

- Transistors  $M_3$  and  $M_4$  must be biased in saturation (pinch-off) region.
- $I_B$  = The value you calculated in Q3(b),  $I_{D_{M3}} < 100\mu A$ ,  $V_{DS4_{min}} = 150mV$ .

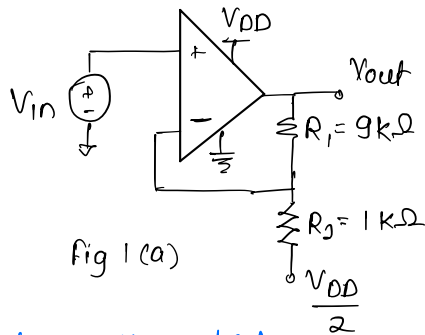
Determine value of  $R_3$ ,  $(\frac{W}{L})_{M3}$  and  $(\frac{W}{L})_{M4}$ .

{1 + 1 + 1 marks}

**Notice:** This question is a design problem and there are many solutions.

**All the Best!**

Q1) a)



We have from figure 1(a)

$$V_{cm} = \frac{V_{DD}}{2}$$

$$V_{in} = V_m \sin(\omega_0 t) + V_{cm} \quad \text{where } V_m = 0.04 V_{DD}$$

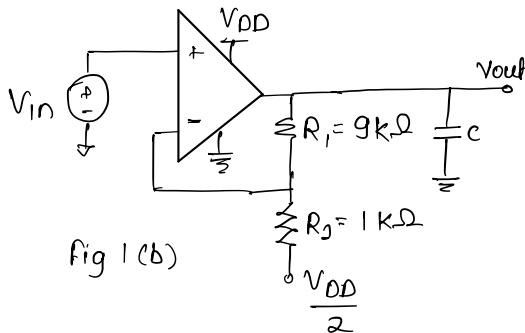
$$\text{Thus } V_{out} = \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right)(V_{in} - V_{cm}) + V_{cm} \quad \text{--- } \langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{9}{1}\right)(V_m \sin(\omega_0 t) + V_{cm})$$

$$\therefore V_{out} = 10 \times 0.04 V_{DD} \sin(\omega_0 t) + \frac{V_{DD}}{2}$$

$$\therefore V_{out} = 0.4 V_{DD} \sin(\omega_0 t) + \frac{V_{DD}}{2} \quad \text{--- } \langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$$

b)

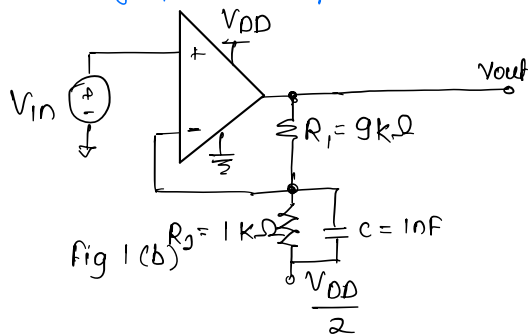


The opamp is ideal.

Hence it can provide current to charge & discharge of capacitor C of any value at freq of  $\omega_0$ .  $\langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$

Hence presence of parasitic capacitor C will not change the o/p of the opamp.  $\langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$

c)



The Transfer function

$$V_{in}(s) = \frac{R_2}{R_2 s + 1} \cdot \frac{V_{out}(s)}{R_1 + \frac{R_2}{R_2 s + 1}} \quad \text{--- } \langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$$

Hence  $V_{in}(s) = \frac{R_2}{R_2 + R_1(R_2Cs + 1)} \cdot V_{out}(s)$

$\therefore \frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = 1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2} (R_2Cs + 1)$  — <0.5 mark>

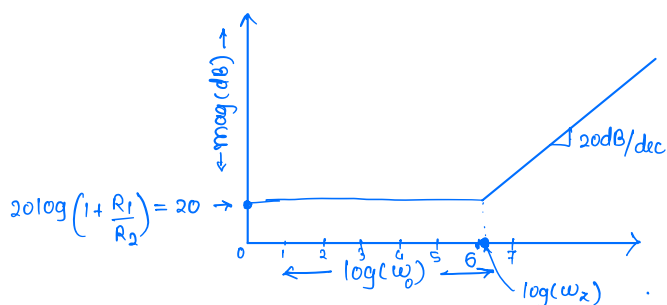
Thus  $\frac{V_{out}(j\omega)}{V_{in}(j\omega)} = 1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2} (1 + jR_2C\omega)$  — ① — <0.5 mark>

We have  $R_1 = 9k\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 1k\Omega$  &  $C = 1nF$

$\therefore \frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = 1 + 9(10^{-6}s + 1) = 10 + 9(10^{-6}s) = \frac{10^7 + 9s}{10^6}$   $\omega_z = \frac{10^7}{9} = 1.1 \times 10^6 \text{ rad/s}$  — <0.5 mark>

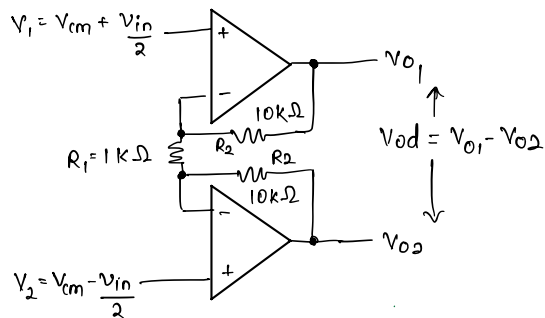
From eq<sup>n</sup> ①, the voltage gain of the circuit will increase with  $\omega$ . i.e High Pass filter behavior is obtained.

The frequency plot will be as follows



0.5 marks for graph  
0.25 mark for X axis annotations  
0.25 mark for Y axis annotations

Q2)

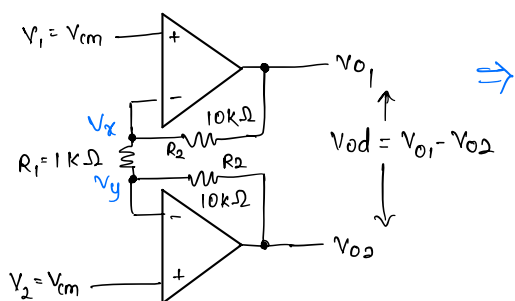


$V_{1max} = V_{2max} = 4V$   
 $V_{1min} = V_{2min} = 1V$   
 $V_{01max} = V_{02max} = 4.5V$   
 $V_{01min} = V_{02min} = 0.5V$

Let  $V_{inmax} = 50mV$

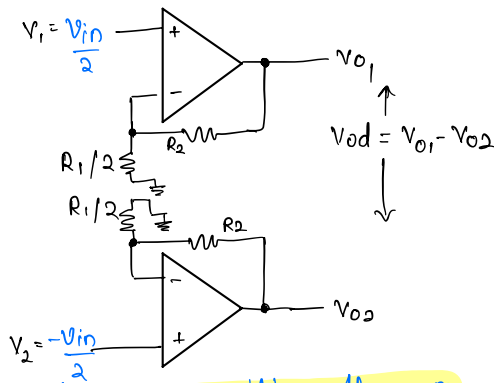
$V_1 = V_{ic} + V_{id}$  &  $V_2 = V_{ic} - V_{id}$  where  $V_{ic} = \frac{V_1 + V_2}{2} = V_{cm}$  &  $V_{id} = \frac{V_1 - V_2}{2} = \frac{V_{in}}{2}$

Considering only common mode signal



$V_x = V_y = V_{cm}$   
 $I_{R1} = 0$  & Hence  $I_{R2} = 0$   
 $V_{01} = V_{cm}$  &  $V_{02} = V_{cm}$   
 $V_{0d} = 0$  — ①

Considering only differential mode signal



$$V_{01} = \left(1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1/2}\right) V_1$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1}\right) \cdot \frac{V_{in}}{2}$$

$$\& V_{02} = \left(1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{V_{in}}{2}\right) \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

$$V_{0d} = \left(1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1}\right) (V_{in})$$

Thus by superposition theorem,

$$V_{01} = V_{cm} + \left(1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1}\right) (V_{in}/2) \quad \left. \vphantom{V_{01}} \right\} 0.5 \text{ mark}$$

$$V_{02} = V_{cm} + \left(1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1}\right) \left(-\frac{V_{in}}{2}\right)$$

$$V_1 = V_{cm} + \frac{V_{in,max}}{2} = V_{cm} + 25 \text{ mV}$$

$$\& V_2 = V_{cm} - 25 \text{ mV} \quad \& V_{01} = V_{cm} + \left(1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1}\right) (V_{in}/2)$$

$$\therefore V_{01} = (21)(25 \text{ mV}) + V_{cm} = 0.525 \text{ V} + V_{cm}$$

$$V_{01,max} = 4.5 \text{ V} \text{ thus}$$

$$V_{cm,max} = V_{01,max} - 0.525 \text{ V} = 3.975 \text{ V} \quad \text{--- } < 0.25 \text{ mark}$$

$$V_2 = V_{cm} - \frac{V_{in,max}}{2} = V_{cm} - 25 \text{ mV} \quad \& V_{02} = V_{cm} + \left(1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1}\right) (-V_{in}/2)$$

$$\therefore V_{02} = (21)(-25 \text{ mV}) + V_{cm} = -0.525 \text{ V} + V_{cm}$$

$$V_{02,min} = 0.5 \text{ V}$$

$$\therefore V_{cm,min} = V_{02,min} + 0.525 \text{ V} = 1.025 \text{ V} \quad \text{--- } < 0.25 \text{ mark}$$

$$\< b \> V_{cm} = 2 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{01/02} = V_{cm} + \left(1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1}\right) \left(\pm \frac{V_{in}}{2}\right) \quad \text{--- } 0.5 \text{ marks}$$

$$0.5 < V_{cm} + \left(1 + \frac{2R_2}{R_1}\right) \left(\pm \frac{V_{in}}{2}\right) < 4.5$$

$$-0.142 < \pm V_{in} < 0.238$$

$$\boxed{-0.142 < V_{in} < 0.238}$$

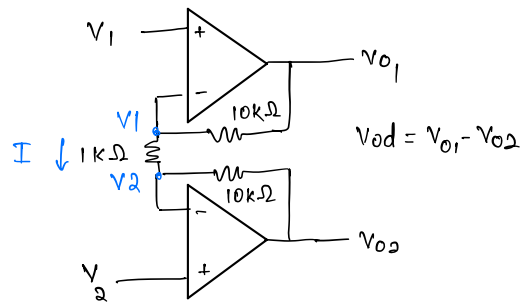
and

$$\boxed{0.142 > V_{in} > -0.238}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & 1 & & & & \\ & & | & & & & \\ -0.238 & -0.142 & 0.142 & 0.238 \end{array}$$

$$V_{in,max} = 0.142 \quad (0.5 \text{ marks})$$

<c> current sourced/sunk by op-amp



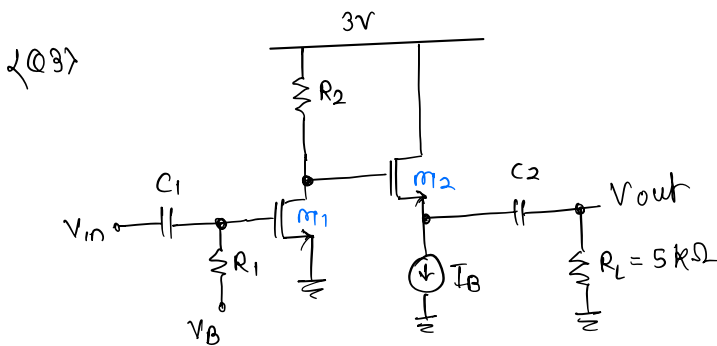
$$\therefore I = \frac{V_1 - V_2}{1k\Omega} \quad \leftarrow \langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$$

$$|I_{\text{sourced}}| = |I_{\text{sunk}}| \quad \leftarrow \langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$$

for 2(a)  $I_{\text{sourced}} = \frac{50\text{mV}}{1k\Omega} = 50\mu\text{A} \quad \leftarrow \langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$

for 2(b)  $I_{\text{sourced}} = \frac{238.1\text{mV}}{1k\Omega} = 238.1\mu\text{A} \quad \leftarrow \langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$

<d> The OPAMP used in Q2 are ideal except for min/max range of input & o/p, the  
Hence opAMP can source/sink any current, thus adding a 40kΩ resistance bet<sup>n</sup>  
 $V_{01}$  &  $V_{02}$  will not have any impact on o/p



<Q3>  $\frac{V_{out1}}{V_{in}} = -20 = -g_{m1} \cdot R_2 \quad \leftarrow \langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$

$$g_{m1} = \frac{2I_{D1}}{V_{GS1}} = \frac{2 \times 0.2\text{mA}}{0.2} = 2\text{mA/V} \quad \leftarrow \langle 0.25 \text{ mark} \rangle$$

$$\therefore -2\text{mA/V} \times R_2 = -20$$

$$\therefore R_2 = 10k\Omega \quad \leftarrow \langle 0.25 \text{ mark} \rangle$$

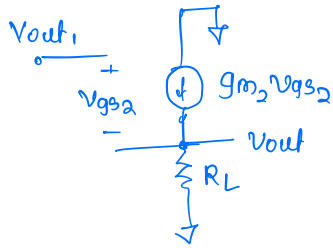
$$I_{D1} = \frac{\mu_n C_{ox}}{2} \left( \frac{W}{L} \right)_1 (V_{GS1})^2 = \frac{400\mu}{2} \left( \frac{W}{L} \right)_1 (0.2)^2 = 0.2\text{mA}$$

$$\therefore \left( \frac{W}{L} \right)_1 = 25 \quad \leftarrow \langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$$

$$V_{GS1} = V_B = V_{GS1} + V_{Tn}$$

$$\therefore V_B = 0.2\text{V} + 0.4\text{V} = 0.6\text{V} \quad \leftarrow \langle 0.5 \text{ mark} \rangle$$

<b> The small signal equivalent circuit of only  $M_2$  &  $R_L$  is as follows



$$g_{m2} v_{gs2} = g_{m2} (v_{out1} - v_{out})$$

$$\Rightarrow \therefore \frac{v_{out}}{R_L} = g_{m2} (v_{out1} - v_{out})$$

$$\therefore \frac{v_{out}}{v_{out1}} = \frac{g_{m2} \cdot R_L}{1 + g_{m2} R_L} \quad \text{--- (0.5 mark)}$$

$$\therefore \frac{g_{m2} \cdot 5K}{1 + g_{m2} \cdot 5K} = 0.9$$

$$\therefore g_{m2} = 1.8 \text{ mA/V} \quad \text{--- (0.5 mark)}$$

$$g_{m2} = \frac{2 \times I_B}{V_{asT2}} = \frac{2 \times I_B}{0.2} = 1.8 \times 10^{-3} \quad \text{--- (0.5 mark)}$$

$$\therefore I_B = 180 \mu A = 0.18 \text{ mA} \quad \text{--- (0.5 mark)}$$

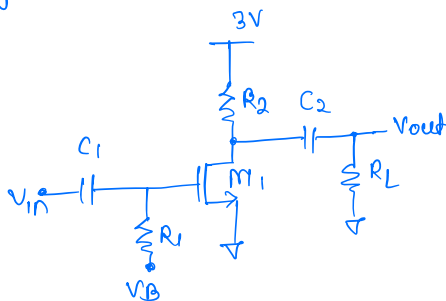
$$<c> \frac{v_{out}}{v_{in}} = \frac{v_{out}}{v_{out1}} \times \frac{v_{out1}}{v_{in}} = 0.9 \times -20 = -18 \text{ V/V} \quad \text{--- (0.5 mark)}$$

The capacitor  $C_2$  will block DC voltage hence no DC current will flow through  $R_L$

$$\therefore v_{outDC} = 0 \text{ V} \quad \text{--- (0.5 mark)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DC voltage across } I_B &= V_{DD} - I_{D1} R - V_{as2} = V_{DD} - I_{D1} R - (V_{asT} + V_{TD}) \quad \text{--- (0.25 mark)} \\ &= 3 - 0.2 \text{ mA} \times 10 \text{ K} - (0.2 + 0.4) \\ &= 0.4 \text{ V} \quad \text{--- (0.25 mark)} \end{aligned}$$

<d> If the source follower stage is removed i.e



$\Rightarrow$  Load resistance will become  $R_L \parallel R_2$  instead of  $R_2$  with source follower stage

$$\text{Hence gain of this stage will drop by a factor of } \frac{R_2 \parallel R_L}{R_2} = \frac{5 \text{ K} \parallel 10 \text{ K}}{10 \text{ K}} = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{--- (0.5 mark)}$$

$$\text{Thus } A_{v1} = -20 \times \frac{1}{3} = -6.67 \text{ V/V} \quad \text{--- (0.5 mark)}$$



<Q4>

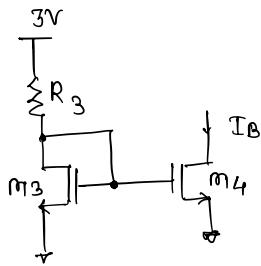


Fig 4

∴ We have  $V_{DS3} = V_{DS4}$

Hence  $\frac{I_{D3}}{I_{D4}} = \frac{(W/L)_3}{(W/L)_4}$  — <0.5 mark>

From Q3 b),  $I_{D4} = I_B = 180 \mu A$

Requirement 1 :-  $V_{DS4min} = 0.15 V$

Step 1> students can choose any  $V_{GST4}$  value less than or equal to  $V_{DS4min}$

$V_{GST4} \leq V_{DS4min}$  i.e.  $V_{GST4} \leq 0.15$

for example  $V_{GST4} = 0.15 V$

∴  $V_{GS4} = V_{GST4} + V_{TN} = 0.15 + 0.4 = 0.55 V$  — <0.5 mark>

Requirement 2 :-  $I_{D3} < 100 \mu A$

Step 2> students can choose any value less than  $100 \mu A$

for example consider  $I_{D3} = 90 \mu A$

We have from fig 4 & Step 1,  $V_{DS3} = V_{DS4} = 0.55 V$

∴  $R_3 = \frac{3V - V_{DS3}}{I_{D3}} = \frac{3 - 0.55}{90 \mu} = 27.22 k\Omega$  — <1 mark>

$I_{D3} = \frac{\mu_n \cdot C_{ox}}{2} \left( \frac{W}{L} \right)_3 (V_{GST3})^2$

∴  $90 \mu = \frac{400 \mu}{2} \left( \frac{W}{L} \right)_3 (0.15)^2$

∴  $\left( \frac{W}{L} \right)_3 = 20$  — <0.5 mark>

∴  $\left( \frac{W}{L} \right)_4 = \frac{I_B}{I_{D3}} \times \left( \frac{W}{L} \right)_3 = \frac{180 \mu}{90 \mu} \times 20 = 40$

∴  $\left( \frac{W}{L} \right)_4 = 40$  — <0.5 mark>