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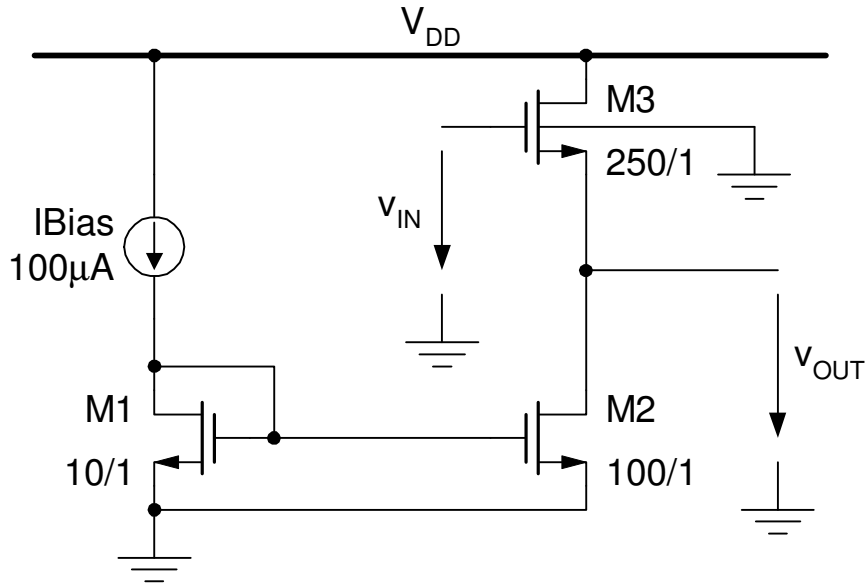
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- *Closed book, closed notes.*
- *No calculators.*
- *Copy your answers into marked boxes on exam sheets.*
- *Simplify numerical and algebraic results as much as possible.*
Up to 5 points penalty for results that are not reasonably simplified.
- *Mark your name and SID at the top of the exam and all extra sheets.*
- *Be kind to the graders and write legibly. No credit for illegible results.*

Problem 1 [25 points]



Given: $\mu_n C_{ox} = 200 \mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2$, $V_{TN} = 1\text{V}$, $\lambda_n = 0.01\text{V}^{-1}$ @ $L = 1\mu\text{m}$
 $g_m r_o \gg 1$

The circuit is biased such that all transistors are in saturation.

a) [10 points] Find *numerical* values (not expressions) for:

$I_{D3} = \mathbf{1000}$	μA
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$g_{m3} = \mathbf{10000}$	μS
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$$I_{DS3} = I_{DS2} = \frac{\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_2}{\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_1} \cdot I_{DS1} = \frac{\left(\frac{100}{1}\right)}{\left(\frac{10}{1}\right)} \cdot 100\mu\text{A} = 1000\mu\text{A}$$

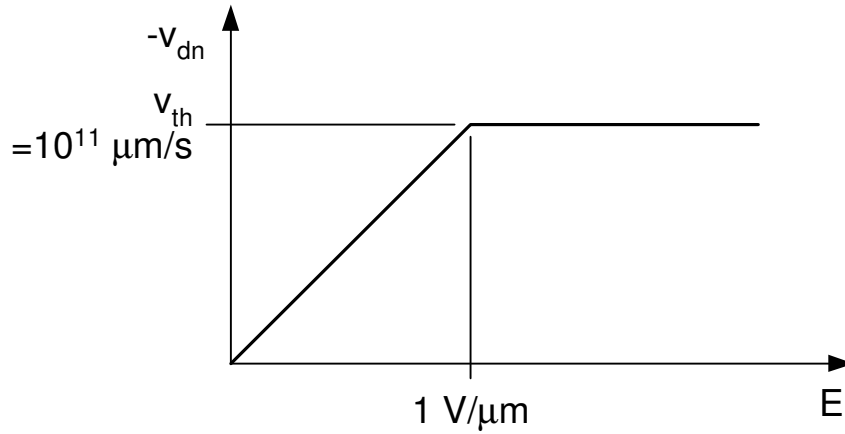
$$g_{m3} \approx \sqrt{\mu_n C_{ox} \cdot \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_3 \cdot 2 \cdot I_{DS3}} = \sqrt{(200 \mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2) \cdot \left(\frac{250}{1}\right) \cdot 2 \cdot 1000\mu\text{A}} = 10\text{mS} = 10000\mu\text{S}$$

b) [15 points] Find an *algebraic* expression for the small signal output resistance (at terminal v_{OUT}) of the circuit as a function of transistor small-signal parameters. Use $g_m r_o \gg 1$ to simplify your result as much as possible:

$$r_{out} = 1/(g_{m3} + g_{mb3})$$

$$r_{out} = r_{o2} \parallel \frac{r_{o3}}{1 + (g_{m3} + g_{mb3}) \cdot r_{o3}} \approx r_{o2} \parallel \frac{1}{(g_{m3} + g_{mb3})} \approx \frac{1}{(g_{m3} + g_{mb3})}$$

Problem 2 [25 points]



The above sketch shows a rough approximation of the electron drift velocity versus the electrical field in Silicon. For an NMOS transistor with $L=0.1\mu\text{m}$, $W=10\mu\text{m}$, and $C_{ox}=5\text{fF}/\mu\text{m}^2$ calculate the following:

a) [10 points] What is the minimum V_{DS} (*numerical* value) for which current flow is limited by the thermal carrier drift velocity? Assume that the field in the channel is uniform.

$V_{DS} = 0.1$	V
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$$E_{critical} = \frac{1V}{1\mu m} = \frac{V_{DS}}{L} = \frac{V_{DS}}{0.1\mu m} \Rightarrow V_{DS} = 0.1V$$

b) [15 points] Find the *numerical* value of the maximum drain current I_D for $V_{GS} - V_{TH} = 1V$. Hint: get the current from the channel charge and its velocity.

$I_D = 4.75$	mA
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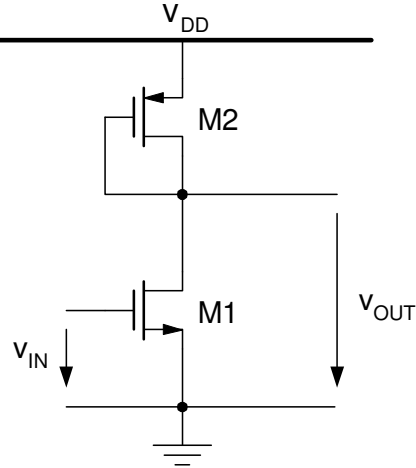
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Average channel charge} &= \frac{(\text{Charge @ source}) + (\text{Charge @ drain})}{2} \\ &= \frac{C_{ox} \cdot W \cdot L \cdot [(V_{GS} - V_{TH}) + (V_{GD} - V_{TH})]}{2} = \frac{C_{ox} \cdot W \cdot L \cdot [(V_{GS} - V_{TH}) + (V_{GS} - V_{DS} - V_{TH})]}{2} \\ &= \frac{5 \text{ fF} / \mu\text{m}^2 \cdot 10 \mu\text{m} \cdot 0.1 \mu\text{m} \cdot [1V + 0.9V]}{2} = 4.75 \text{ fC} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Average channel charge per unit length} = \frac{\text{Average channel charge}}{L} = 47.5 \text{ fC} / \mu\text{m}$$

$$I_D = (\text{Average channel charge per unit length}) \cdot (\text{velocity})$$

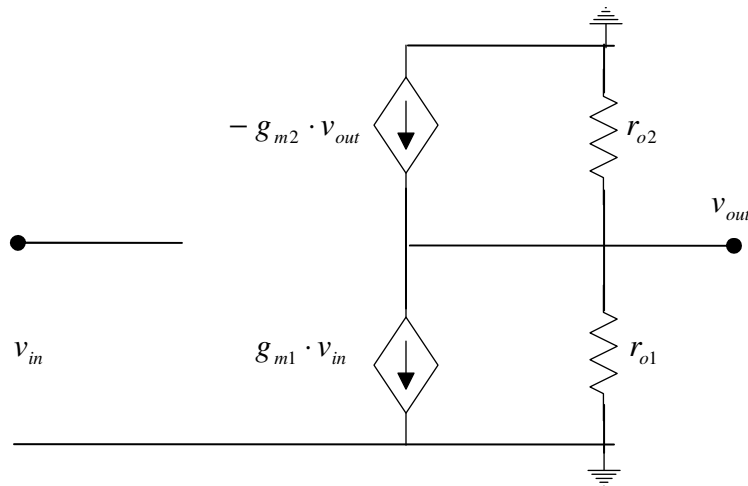
$$\therefore I_D = 47.5 \text{ fC} / \mu\text{m} \cdot 10^{11} \mu\text{m} / \text{s} = 4.75 \text{ mA}$$

Problem 3 [25 points]



The circuit shown above is biased so that all transistors are in saturation. Draw a small signal model (label all elements with appropriate symbols, e.g. g_{m1} , r_{o2}) and find an *algebraic* expression for the small-signal voltage gain $a_v = v_{out}/v_{in}$ as a function of small-signal parameters (g_m 's and r_o 's). Use $g_m r_o \gg 1$ to simplify your result.

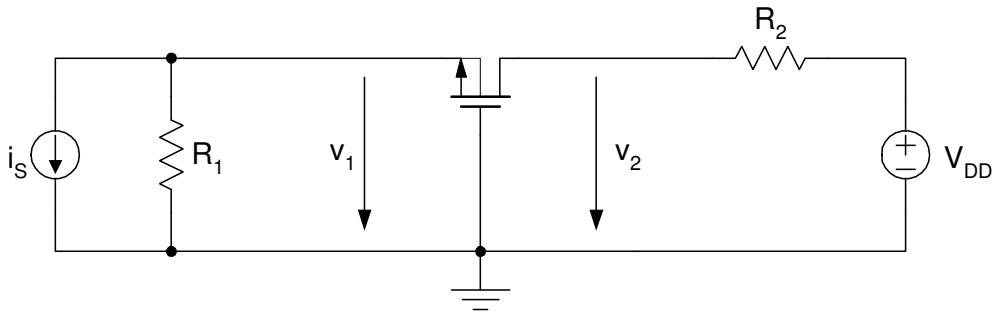
Small-signal model (neatness counts) [13 points]:



$$a_v = -g_{m1}/g_{m2}$$

$$a_v = -g_{m1} \cdot (r_{o1} \parallel r_{o2} \parallel \frac{1}{g_{m2}}) \approx \frac{-g_{m1}}{g_{m2}}$$

Problem 4 [23 points]



The circuit shown above is biased so that the transistor is in saturation.

a) [8 points] What is the type of this amplifier?

Common Gate

b) [15 points] Find an *algebraic* expression for the small-signal voltage ratio v_2/v_1 for $i_s=0$ as a function of R_1 , R_2 , and transistor small-signal parameters.
Hint: you may find small-signal model very helpful to answer this question.

$$v_2/v_1 = \frac{(1 + g_m r_o)}{r_o + R_2} \cdot R_2$$