

1. An amplifier with feedback capacitor  $C_f$ , open-loop gain  $-A$ , and equivalent circuit as shown in Fig. 1. Find  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  using Miller effect (5%)

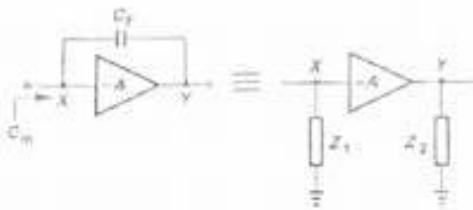


Fig. 1

2. Fig. 2 shows a common gate amplifier with  $C_{D1} = 20\text{fF}$ ,  $C_{S1} = 20\text{fF}$ ,  $C_L = 100\text{fF}$ ,  $g_{m1} = 0$ ,  $r_{o1} = \infty$ ,  $g_m = 1\text{mA/V}$ ,  $R_S = 10\text{k}\Omega$ , and  $R_D = 100\text{k}\Omega$  (5%)  
 (a) Find the input and output impedances. (2.5%)  
 (b) Find the correlated input pole  $\omega_{in}$  and output pole  $\omega_{out}$ . (2.5%)

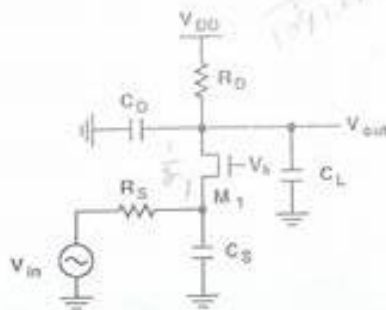


Fig. 2

3. A two-stage Op Amp in Fig. 3 has  $A_{v1} = 20$ ,  $A_{v2} = 40$ . The output referred noise of  $A_1 = 2 \times 10^{-12} \text{V}^2/\text{Hz}$  and  $A_2 = 4 \times 10^{-12} \text{V}^2/\text{Hz}$ . (5%)  
 (a) Find the output referred noise of amplifier A. (2.5%)  
 (b) Find the "best" input referred noise with same total gain  $A = 800$ . (2.5%)

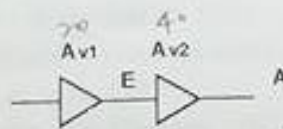


Fig. 3

$2 \times 10^{-12} + \frac{4 \times 10^{-12}}{4^2} = \frac{6 \times 10^{-12}}{4} = 1.5 \times 10^{-12}$   
 $A_{v1} A_{v2} = 800$   
 $\frac{6 \times 10^{-12}}{64 \times 10^2}$

4. A common source amplifier is shown in Fig. 4. The thermal noise and flicker noise of  $M_1$  are  $4kTg_m(\frac{2}{3})$  and  $\frac{K}{C_{ox}WLf}$ , the thermal noise of  $R_D$  is  $4kTR_D$  (5%)  
 (a) Derive the output referred noise. (2.5%)  
 (b) Derive the input referred noise. (2.5%)

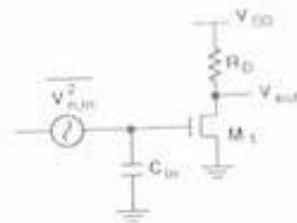


Fig. 4

5. An amplifier with a DC gain = 60dB and two poles at 1Mhz and 100Mhz. (10%)  
 (a) Sketch the Bode plot with amplitude and phase. (2.5%)  
 (b) Determine and explain the system is stable or not (Phase margin  $> 45^\circ$ ). (2.5%)  
 (c) Do the frequency compensation to get a phase margin =  $45^\circ$  and explain the new locations of poles. (5%)

6. Fig. 6 shows a differential pair with  $C_E = 20\text{fF}$ ,  $C_L = 100\text{fF}$ ,  $g_{m1} = 0$ ,  $r_{o1} = 100\text{k}\Omega$ ,  $g_m = 1\text{mA/V}$ ,  $|V_{ov}| = 0.2\text{V}$ ,  $|V_{in}| = 0.6\text{V}$ . (10%)  
 (a) Find the minimum input DC bias voltage with  $V(I_{SS}) = 0.3\text{V}$ . (2.5%)  
 (b) Find the voltage gain  $V_{out}/V_{in}$ . (2.5%)  
 (c) Find the dominant pole  $\omega_{p1}$ . (2.5%)  
 (d) Find the value of zero  $\omega_z$ . (2.5%)

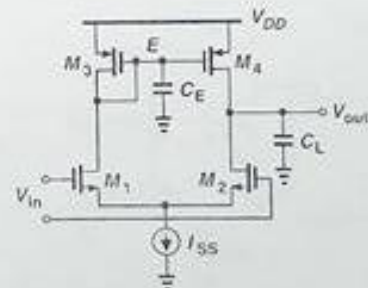


Fig. 6

7. A general block diagram of feedback system is shown in Fig. 7. Assume  $A(s) = A_0/[1+(s/\omega_0)]$ , answer the following questions. (10%)
- State the oscillation condition. (Barkhausen's Criteria). (2%)
  - Find the equation of closed loop gain. (2%)
  - Explain the *bandwidth modification* of closed-loop system. (2%)
  - List down 4 types of feedback topology. (2%)
  - Explain the impedance modification of the 4 feedback-structures in terms of equations of  $R_{in, closed}/R_{in, open}$  and  $R_{o, closed}/R_{o, open}$ . (2%)

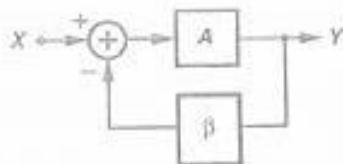


Fig 7

8. A closed-loop amplifier is shown in Fig. 8 with  $R1 = 400K\Omega$  and  $R2 = 100 K\Omega$ . (5%)
- With the open loop gain  $A = 100$ , find the closed-loop gain. (2.5%)
  - Find the requirement of  $A$  to get an error of closed-loop gain smaller than 1% of ideal one ( $A = \infty$ ). (2.5%)

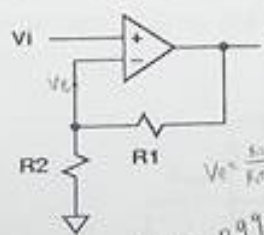


Fig 8

9. Explain the definitions and purposes of the following terminologies. (10%)
- Miller compensation. (2%)
  - Noise power spectrum density. (2%)
  - Flicker noise. (2%)
  - Slewing in an Op Amp. (2%)
  - Power-supply rejection ratio (PSRR). (2%)

10. Fig. 10 shows a closed-loop amplifier with  $r_{o1} = 100k\Omega$  and  $g_{m1} = 1mA/V$ . (10%)
- Find the feedback factor. (2%)
  - Find the open-loop gain with loading effect. (4%)
  - Find closed-loop gain  $V_{out}/V_{in}$ . (2%)
  - Find closed-loop output impedance. (2%)

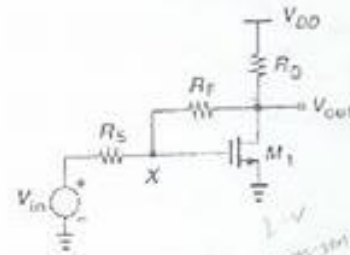


Fig 10

11. An impedance boosting circuit is as shown in Fig. 11. Find the  $R_{out}$  in term of  $r_{o1(n)}$  and  $g_{m(n)}$ . (5%)

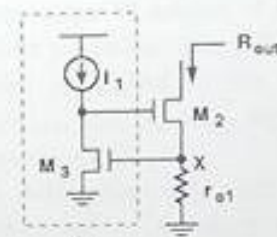


Fig 11

12. A unity-gain buffer is shown in Fig. 12 with  $|V_{DS[n]}| = 0.8V$ ,  $|V_{GS[n]}| = 0.6V$ , and  $V_{DD} = 2.5V$ , find the available output range. (5%)

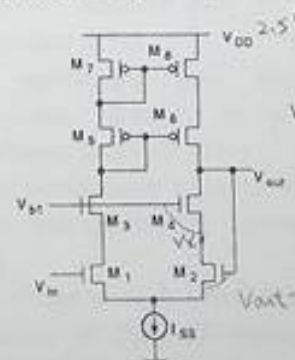


Fig 12

13. Find slew rate of the following Op Amps: (5%)  
 (a) The differential-to-single-ended amplifier with capacitive feedback (2.5%)  
 (b) 2-stage OP Amp with capacitor  $C_C$ . (2.5%)

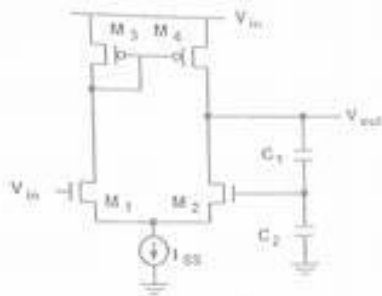


Fig. 13(a)

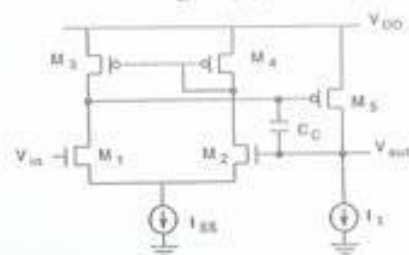


Fig. 13(b)

14. In Fig. 14,  $g_m = 1\text{mA/V}$ ,  $r_o = 100\text{k}\Omega$ ,  $C_{GD} = C_{GS} = 10\text{fF}$ ,  $C_{DB} = C_{SB} = 5\text{fF}$ ,  $R_S = 10\text{k}\Omega$ , and  $R_D = 100\text{k}\Omega$ . (5%)  
 (a) Use Miller effect to find the equivalent  $C_{in}$  at node X and  $C_{out}$  at node  $V_{out}$ . (2.5%)  
 (b) Find the input pole  $\omega_{in}$  and output pole  $\omega_{out}$ . (2.5%)

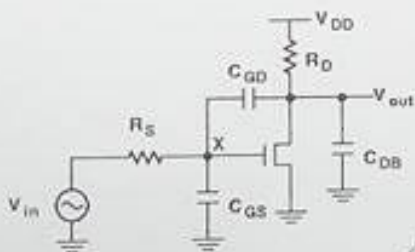


Fig. 14

15. Fig. 15 shows a common-source amplifier with  $g_m = g_{m2} = 1\text{mA/V}$ ,  $r_{o1} = r_{o2} = 100\text{k}\Omega$ ,  $V_S = 2.5\text{V}$ ,  $V_{in} = 1\text{V}$ ,  $V_{(in)} = 3.3\text{V}$ ,  $|V_{out}| = |V_{in}| = 0.5\text{V}$ . (5%)  
 (a) Find the available output swing. (2.5%)  
 (b) Find the small-signal voltage gain  $V_{out}/V_{in}$ . (2.5%)

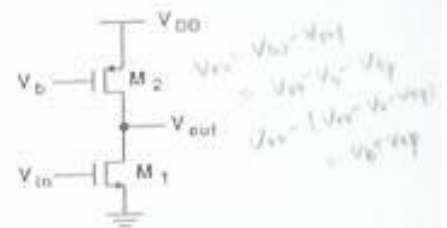


Fig. 15

16. Answer the following questions with TRUE or FALSE: (10%)  
 (a) Flicker noise of MOS device and noise of resistor are all white noise. (1%)  
 (b) Phase margin is defined of the phase shift distance to  $-180^\circ$  at  $0\text{dB}$ . (1%)  
 (c) CMRR is defined by the ratio between  $A_{DM}/A_{CM}$  and it will degrade at high frequency. (1%)  
 (d) Left half plane zero will degrade the stability due to its negative phase shift. (1%)  
 (e) Usually the noise types in a circuit are from device and environmental noise. (1%)  
 (f) The linear response is degraded when Op Amp enters the slewing condition. (1%)  
 (g) Oscillation happens only in closed-loop architecture. (1%)  
 (h) The input/output port impedance of closed-loop system is increase by serial/serial feedback. (1%)  
 (i) Noise performance is usual illustrated by power spectral density express in  $\text{V}^2/\text{Hz}$ . (1%)  
 (j) The common-mode feedback circuit is necessary in fully-differential OP Amp. (1%)