

1. (10%) Design the quiescent current of a class AB BJT output stage so that the incremental voltage gain for  $v_i$  in the vicinity of the origin is 0.8 V/V for the load equal to 100  $\Omega$ . Assume that the BJTs have  $V_{BE}$  of 0.7 V at a current of 100 mA and determine the value of  $V_{BB}$  required.

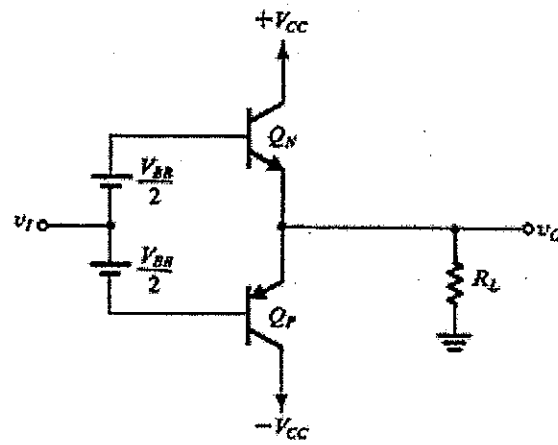


Fig. 1 Class AB output stage

2. (a) (5%) Show that the PSRR<sup>-</sup> of a CMOS two-stage op amp for which all transistors have the same channel length and are operated at equal  $|V_{OV}|$  is given by

$$\text{PSRR}^- = 2 \left| \frac{V_A}{V_{OV}} \right|^2$$

- (b) (5%) For  $|V_{OV}| = 0.2$  V, what is the minimum channel length required to obtain a PSRR<sup>-</sup> of 80 dB? For the technology available,  $|V_A'| = 20$  V/ $\mu\text{m}$ .

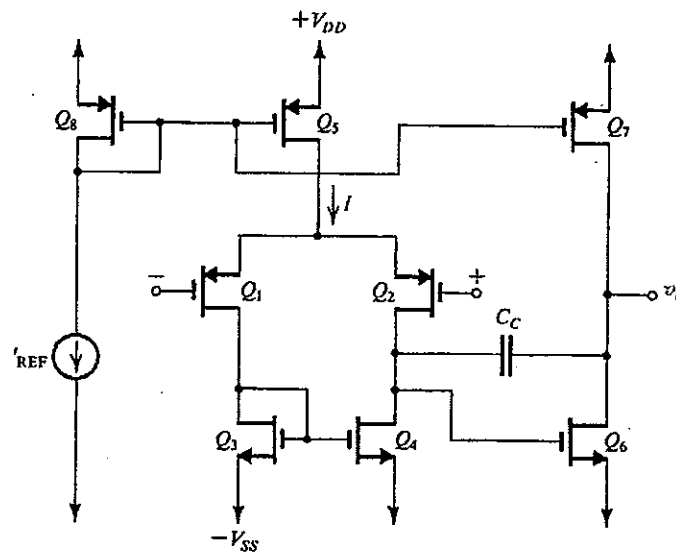


Fig. 2 The basic CMOS two-stage op-amp

3. (a) (5%) Using the fact that for  $Q \gg 1$  the second-order bandpass response in the neighborhood of  $\omega_0$  is the same as the response of a first-order low-pass with 3-dB frequency of  $(\omega_0/2Q)$ , show that the bandpass response at  $\omega = \omega_0 + \delta\omega$ , for  $\omega \ll \omega_0$ , is given by

$$|T(j\omega)| \cong \frac{|T(j\omega_0)|}{\sqrt{1 + 4Q^2 (\delta\omega/\omega_0)^2}}$$

(Hint: first-order low-pass transfer function is  $T(s) = \frac{\omega_0}{s + \omega_0}$ )

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(b) (5%) Use the relationship derived in (a) together with the 3-dB bandwidth  $B$  of the overall amplifier to show that a bandpass amplifier with a 3-dB bandwidth  $B$ , designed using  $N$  synchronously tuned stages, has an overall transfer function given by

$$|T(j\omega)|_{\text{overall}} = \frac{|T(j\omega_0)|_{\text{overall}}}{[1 + 4(2^{1/N} - 1)(\delta\omega/B)^2]^{N/2}}$$

(Hint: 3-dB bandwidth  $B = \frac{\omega_0}{Q} \sqrt{2^{1/N} - 1}$ )

(c) (3%) Use the relationship derived in (b) to find the attenuation (in decibels) obtained at a bandwidth  $2B$  for  $N = 5$ . Also find the ratio of the 30-dB bandwidth to the 3-dB bandwidth for  $N = 5$ .

(Hint: attenuation function  $A(\omega) \equiv -20 \log |T(j\omega)|$ )

4. (10%) Find the transfer function of the following circuit and determine the value of the half-power frequency.

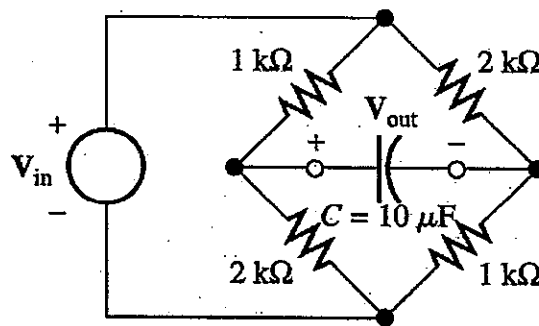


Fig. 3

5. (10%) Assuming that the operational amplifier is almost ideal, what is the output voltage  $V_{\text{out}}$  for  $V_{\text{in}} = 100$  mV,  $R = 20$  ohm.

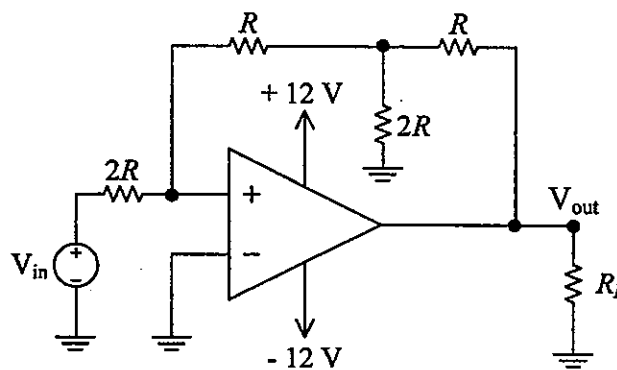


Fig. 4

6. (a) (5%) Draw the schematic diagram of a CMOS inverter and indicate clearly the connection of input, output, supply voltage, and ground to the transistor terminals (including body). (no partial credit will be given)  
 (b) (8%) Draw the cross-section of physical structure of the above CMOS inverter and show all the transistor terminals. (no partial credit will be given)

7. In Fig. 5,  $I_B$  is 1 mA,  $R_D = 6\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_S = 400\ \Omega$ , transistors  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  have  $W/L = 20\ \mu\text{m}/0.2\ \mu\text{m}$ . Let  $K_n' = 250\ \mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2$ ; ignore the channel-length modulation effect. Assume both circuits of Fig. 5(a) and 5(b) are properly biased ( $V_{CM}$  is a bias voltage) such that all transistors operate in the saturation region.

(a) (6%) For the circuit shown in Fig. 5(a), find the transistor  $V_{OV}$  and  $g_m$ , and the voltage gain,  $V_{out}/V_{id}$ , of the circuit.

(b) (6%) If you want to double the gain ( $V_{out}/V_{id}$ ) of the circuit by changing the resistance value of  $R_S$ , what value would you adjust  $R_S$ ?

(c) (6%) The circuit of Fig. 5(a) is modified to a single-ended circuit shown in Fig. 5(b). Find the voltage gain,  $V_{out}/V_i$ , of this circuit. Please show your derivations.

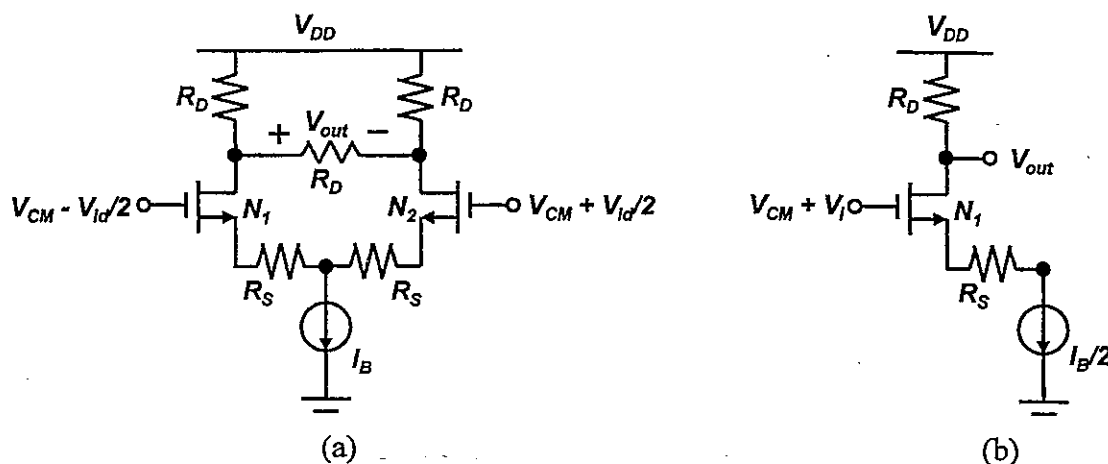


Fig. 5

8. (a) (6%) Fig. 6(a) shows a biasing technique to stabilize the drain current ( $I_D$ ) of a MOS circuit. Explain how this circuit topology helps to stabilize  $I_D$ .

(b) (5%) Fig. 6(b) is modified from Fig. 6(a) by removing  $R_G$  and connecting the drain and gate terminals together. Can this modified circuit of Fig. 6(b) maintain a stable  $I_D$ ? Please state your reason.

(c) (5%) Can the circuit of Fig. 6(b) be applied to a common-source amplifier? Please state your reason.

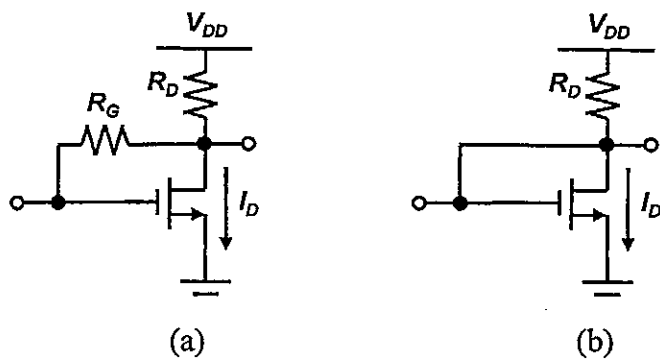


Fig. 6

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