

ANSWERS

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Solution for 1

(a) To determine V_b we first need to know the current through M_5 . This is the current through M_1 minus the current through M_3 .

$$I_{D3} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_p C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_3 \left(\frac{V_{DD}}{2} - |V_{t0p}| \right)^2 \left(1 + |\lambda_p| \frac{V_{DD}}{2} \right) = 1.15 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_{D5} = I_{D1} - I_{D3} = \frac{9.2 \text{ mA}}{2} - 1.15 \text{ mA} = 3.45 \text{ mA}$$

Now we can find the value of V_b as V_{DD} minus the source-gate voltage of M_5 .

$$V_{SG5} = \sqrt{\frac{2I_{D5}}{\mu_p C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)_5 \left(1 + |\lambda_p| \frac{V_{DD}}{2} \right)}} + |V_{t0p}| = 1.5 \text{ V}$$

$$V_b = V_{DD} - V_{SG5} = 3 - 1.5 = 1.5 \text{ V}$$

Answer: V_b is 1.5 V to make the output bias level $V_{DD}/2$.

(b) We find the ratio of g_{m1} to g_{m5} .

$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \mu_{n/p} C_{ox} (W/L) (V_{GS} - V_{t0})^2 (1 + \lambda_{n/p} V_{DS})$$

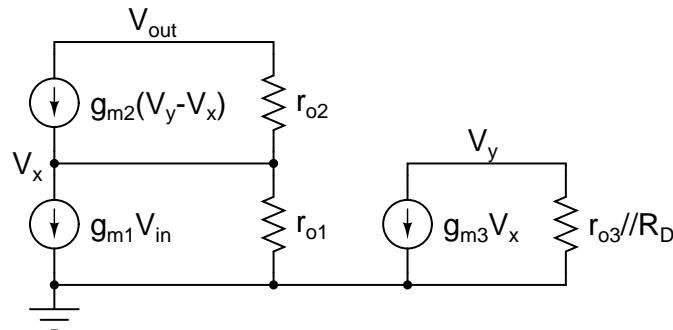
$$g_m = \frac{dI_D}{dV_{GS}} = \sqrt{2\mu_{n/p} C_{ox} (W/L) I_D (1 + \lambda_{n/p} V_{DS})}$$

$$\frac{g_{m1}}{g_{m5}} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_n C_{ox} (W/L)_1 I_{D1} (1 + \lambda_n V_{DS1})}{\mu_p C_{ox} (W/L)_5 I_{D5} (1 + |\lambda_p| V_{SD5})}} = \sqrt{\frac{200 \times 84 \times 4.6 \times (1+0)}{50 \times 120 \times 3.45 \times (1+0.1 \times 1.5)}} \approx 1.8$$

Answer: The ratio g_{m1}/g_{m5} is 1.8.

Solution for 2

(a) Small-signal model:



(b) Find the DC gain.

KCL at V_x :

$$g_{m1}V_{in} + \frac{V_x}{r_{o1}} = g_{m2}(V_y - V_x) + \frac{V_{out} - V_x}{r_{o2}} \Rightarrow g_{m1}V_{in} + \left(g_{m2} + \frac{1}{r_{o1}} + \frac{1}{r_{o2}} \right) V_x = g_{m2}V_y + \frac{V_{out}}{r_{o2}} \quad (1)$$

KCL at V_y :

$$V_y = -g_{m3}(r_{o3} // R_D)V_x \quad (2)$$

KCL at V_{out} :

$$g_{m2}(V_y - V_x) + \frac{V_{out} - V_x}{r_{o2}} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{V_{out}}{r_{o2}} + g_{m2}V_y = \left(g_{m2} + \frac{1}{r_{o2}} \right) V_x \quad (3)$$

(2) in (1):

$$\begin{aligned} g_{m1}V_{in} + \left(g_{m2} + \frac{1}{r_{o1}} + \frac{1}{r_{o2}} \right) V_x &= -g_{m2}g_{m3}(r_{o3} // R_D)V_x + \frac{V_{out}}{r_{o2}} \\ &\Rightarrow g_{m1}r_{o1}r_{o2}V_{in} + [(1 + (1 + g_{m3}(r_{o3} // R_D))g_{m2}r_{o2})r_{o1} + r_{o2}]V_x = r_{o1}V_{out} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

(2) in (3):

$$\frac{V_{out}}{r_{o2}} - g_{m2}g_{m3}(r_{o3} // R_D)V_x = \left(g_{m2} + \frac{1}{r_{o2}} \right) V_x \Rightarrow V_x = \frac{1}{1 + (1 + g_{m3}(r_{o3} // R_D))g_{m2}r_{o2}} V_{out} \quad (5)$$

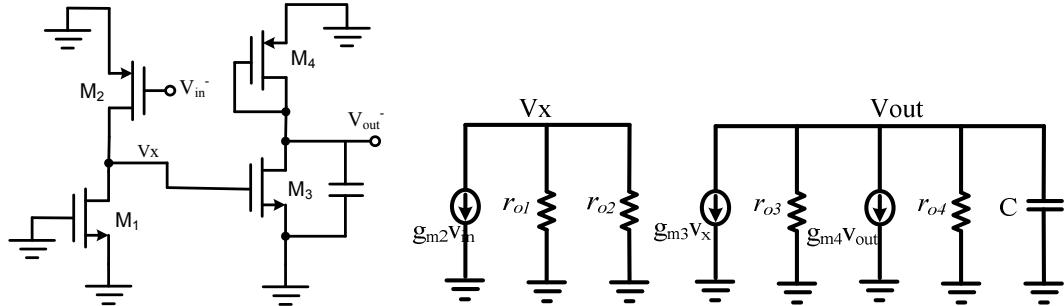
(5) in (4):

$$\begin{aligned} g_{m1}r_{o1}r_{o2}V_{in} + \frac{[(1 + (1 + g_{m3}(r_{o3} // R_D))g_{m2}r_{o2})r_{o1} + r_{o2}]}{1 + (1 + g_{m3}(r_{o3} // R_D))g_{m2}r_{o2}} V_{out} &= r_{o1}V_{out} \Rightarrow \\ g_{m1}r_{o1}r_{o2}[1 + (1 + g_{m3}(r_{o3} // R_D))g_{m2}r_{o2}]V_{in} &= -r_{o2}V_{out} \end{aligned}$$

Answer: $\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} = -g_{m1}r_{o1}[1 + (1 + g_{m3}(r_{o3} // R_D))g_{m2}r_{o2}] \approx -g_{m1}r_{o1} \cdot g_{m2}r_{o2} \cdot g_{m3}(r_{o3} // R_D)$

Solution for 3

(a) Apply half-circuit analysis



$$\text{At } V_x: g_{m2}V_{in} + (g_{ds1} + g_{ds2})V_x = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{V_x}{V_{in}} = \frac{-g_{m2}}{g_{ds1} + g_{ds2}} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{At } V_{out}: g_{m3}V_x + (g_{m4} + g_{ds3} + g_{ds4} + sC)V_{out} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{V_{out}}{V_x} = \frac{-g_{m3}}{g_{m4} + g_{ds3} + g_{ds4} + sC} \quad (2)$$

Using (1) and (2) we can find out the overall transfer function as the following:

$$\text{Answer: } \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}}(s) = \frac{-g_{m2}}{g_{ds1} + g_{ds2}} \times \frac{-g_{m3}}{g_{m4} + g_{ds3} + g_{ds4} + sC} = \frac{A_0}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_0}} \quad (3)$$

(b) Applying $s=0$ in the equation (3) will provide the DC gain, A_0 as follows

$$A_0 = \frac{g_{m2} \cdot g_{m3}}{(g_{ds1} + g_{ds2})(g_{m4} + g_{ds3} + g_{ds4})} \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}}(s) = \frac{A_0}{1 + \frac{s}{\omega_0}} = \frac{g_{m2} \cdot g_{m3}}{(g_{ds1} + g_{ds2})(g_{m4} + g_{ds3} + g_{ds4})} \frac{1}{1 + s/(g_{m4} + g_{ds3} + g_{ds4})/C} \quad (5)$$

$$\text{where } \omega_0 = \frac{g_{m4} + g_{ds3} + g_{ds4}}{C} = \frac{g_{m4} + 1/r_o3 + 1/r_o4}{C} = \frac{1}{(1/g_{m4} + 1/r_o3 + 1/r_o4)C}, \quad (6)$$

therefore, the dominant pole is

$$\text{Answer: } f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi(1/g_{m4} + 1/r_o3 + 1/r_o4)C}$$

(c) The unity-gain frequency $f_u \approx A_0 f_0$. Using (4) and (6), f_u can be found out as

$$f_u = \frac{g_{m2} \cdot g_{m3}}{(g_{ds1} + g_{ds2}) \cdot (g_{m4} + g_{ds3} + g_{ds4})} \cdot \frac{g_{m4} + g_{ds3} + g_{ds4}}{2\pi C} = \frac{g_{m2} \cdot g_{m3}}{2\pi \cdot (g_{ds1} + g_{ds2}) \cdot C} \quad (7)$$

Solution for 4

a) The total delay $D(m) = mt_p + m \left[0.38 \left(\frac{d}{m} \right)^2 rc \right] = mt_p + 0.38 \frac{d^2}{m} rc$

For optimum delay we should have $\frac{dD(m)}{dm} = t_p - 0.38 \frac{d^2}{m^2} rc = 0$

$$m_{opt} = \sqrt{\frac{0.38rcd^2}{t_p}} \quad (1)$$

$$D(8) = 8t_p + 0.38rc \frac{d^2}{8}$$

$$D(6) = 6t_p + 0.38rc \frac{d^2}{6}$$

$$D(8) - D(6) = 2t_p + 0.38rcd^2 \left(\frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{6} \right) = \frac{4t_p}{3}$$

$$t_p = \frac{1}{16} 0.38rcd^2 \quad (2)$$

$$(1) \text{ and } (2): m_{opt} = \sqrt{\frac{0.38rcd^2}{t_p}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.38rcd^2}{\frac{1}{16} 0.38rcd^2}} = 4$$

Answer: $m_{opt} = 4$

Solution for 5

For a 4-stage ring oscillator (with identical stages), the transfer function is written as:

$$H(j\omega) = -\frac{A^4}{(1 + j\omega/\omega_0)^4}$$

where A is the DC gain of each stage, and ω_0 is the pole frequency. According Barkhausen criteria, the phase contribution of each stage should be 45° . Then:

$$\tan^{-1}(\omega_{osc}/\omega_0) = 45^\circ \Rightarrow \omega_{osc} = \omega_0 \quad (1)$$

Putting the magnitude of the transfer function greater than 1 gives:

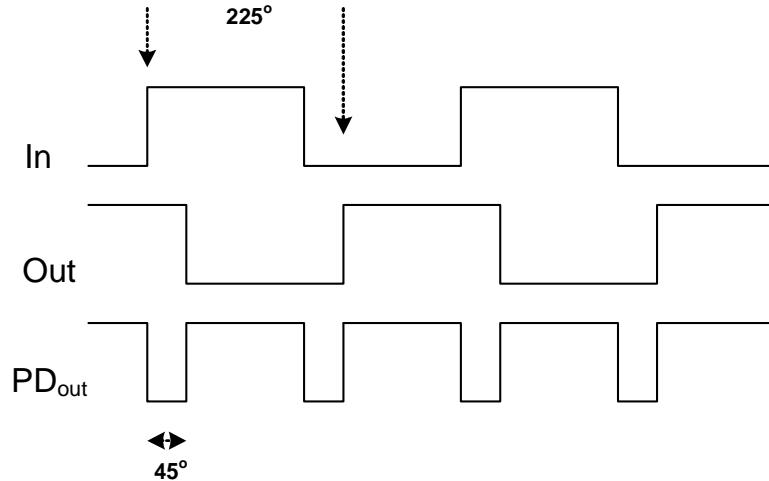
$$|H(j\omega)| = \frac{A^4}{\sqrt{(1 + (\omega/\omega_0)^2)^4}} \geq 1$$

Considering (1), it results is: $|A| \geq \sqrt{2}$

In case of the differential stage the DC gain is $-g_m R$. Then:

$$g_m R \geq \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow R \geq \sqrt{2} \text{ } K\Omega$$

Solution for 6



$$\text{Average} = 3 - \frac{2 \times 45}{360} \times 3 = 2.25 \text{ V}$$