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EECE 310 – Electronics

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Closed Book – *No Programmable Calculators*

90 minutes

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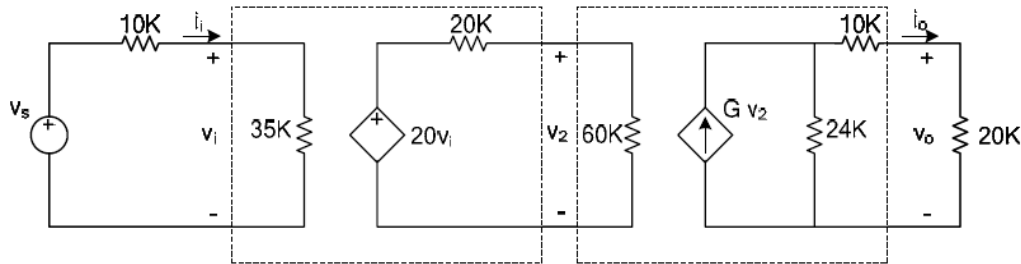
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An N-channel MOSFET with  $k' = 1 \text{ mA/V}^2$  is biased such that it is operating in the saturation region. The Early voltage for this MOSFET is  $V_A = 5 \text{ V}$ .  
 When the MOSFET is biased at  $V_{OV} = 1 \text{ V}$ , with  $V_{DS} = V_X$  Volts, the drain current is  $1 \text{ mA}$ . When the overdrive voltage increases to  $1.2 \text{ V}$ ,  $V_{DS}$  decreases by  $20\%$  to  $0.8 \times V_X$  while the drain current increases to  $1.2 \text{ mA}$ .

- Find the initial value of  $V_{DS}$  ( $V_X$  in V).  
 a) 35      b) 32.5      c) 27.5      **d) 25**      e) 30
- Find the value of  $(W/L)$  for this MOSFET.  
 a)  $1/6$       b)  $1/7$       c)  $1/4$       **d)  $1/3$**       e)  $1/5$

- If a P-channel MOSFET is biased at  $V_{GS} = -9 \text{ V}$  and  $V_{DS} = -1 \text{ V}$ , and has a threshold voltage  $V_t = -3 \text{ V}$ , find its region of operation.  
**a) Triode (Linear)**    b) Saturation    c) Cutoff    d) Pinch-Off    e) Unknown

- Consider the two-stage amplifier shown below. What should be the value of  $G$  (in  $\text{mA/V}$ ) to achieve a voltage gain  $v_o/v_i$  of  $700$ ?



- a) 7.5      b) 4.5      **c) 5.25**      d) 6      e) 6.75

- Find the output resistance (in  $\text{K}\Omega$ ) of the amplifier (set the input to zero, and use the definition of output resistance).

- a) 94      **b) 34**      c) 7.06      d) 10      e) 24

- If  $G = 3 \text{ mA/V}$ , what is the short-circuit transconductance  $i_o / v_i$  (in  $\text{mA/V}$ ), when the  $20\text{K}$  load resistance connected across the output is set to zero (replaced by a short circuit)?

- a) 21.2      **b) 31.8**      c) 42.4      d) 52.9      e) 63.5

The drain current of an enhancement N-channel MOSFET is measured at several values of  $V_{GS}$ ,  $V_{DS}$ , and  $V_{SB}$ , as shown in the table below. For this MOSFET,  $|2\phi_f| = 0.6$  V.

$V_{GS}$ (V)	$V_{DS}$ (V)	$V_{SB}$ (V)	$I_D$ (mA)
3	3	0	3.6
3	4	0	4.2
4	1	0	$I_X$
4	4	0	9.45
4	4	4	6.6703

7. Find the value of  $V_{t0}$  (in V).  
 a) 0.9      b) 0.8      c) 0.6      d) 0.7      **e) 1.0**
8. Find the value of  $k'(W/L)$  (in mA/V<sup>2</sup>).  
**a) 0.9**      b) 1.4      c) 1.1      d) 1.2      e) 1.3
9. Find  $I_X$  (in mA).  
 a) 3.77      b) 3.92      **c) 2.25**      d) 3.24      e) 2.86
10. Find the value of  $V_A$  (in V).  
 a) 4      **b) 3**      c) 5      d) 10      e) 7
11. Find the value of  $\gamma$  (in V<sup>1/2</sup>).  
**a) 0.35**      b) 0.4      c) 0.5      d) 0.3      e) 0.45
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The MOSFET in the circuit below has the  $i_D - v_{DS}$  characteristics shown in Figure A. The curves correspond to the following values of  $V_{GS}$ : 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 V. Assume that  $V_{DD} = 5$  V and  $R_D = 2.2$  K $\Omega$ .

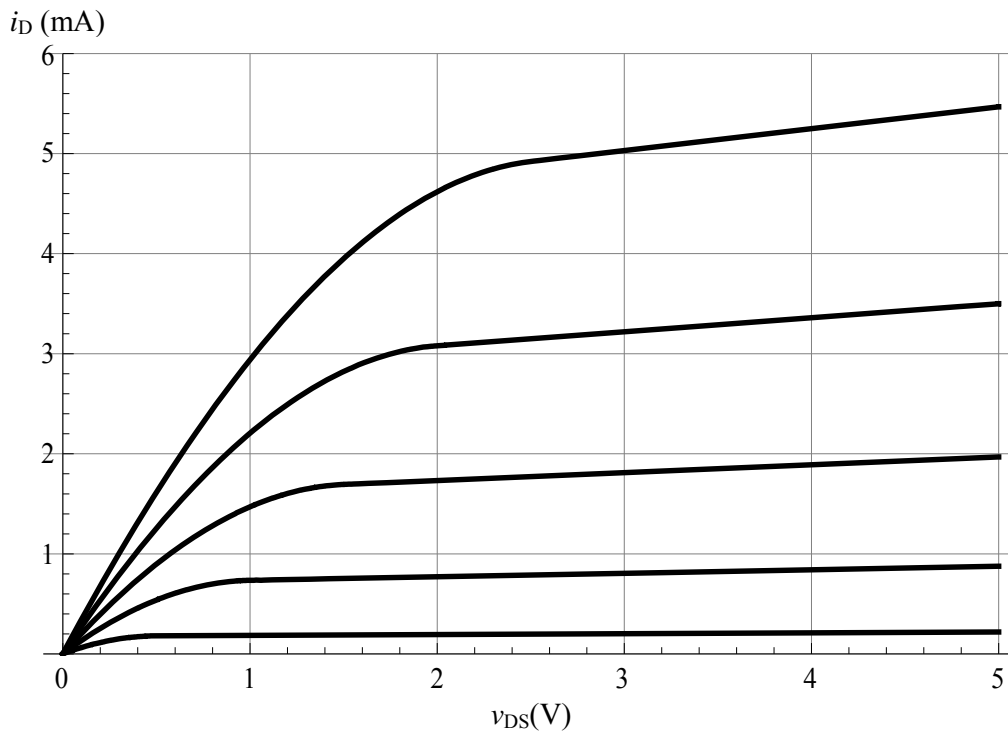
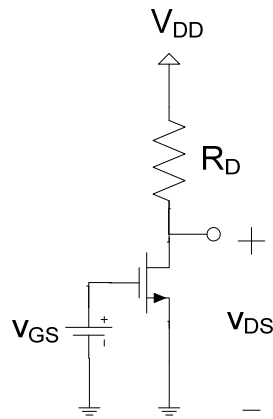
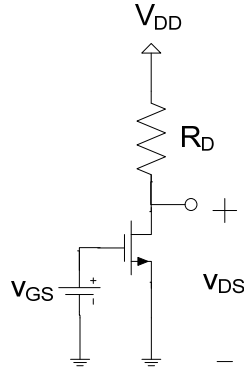


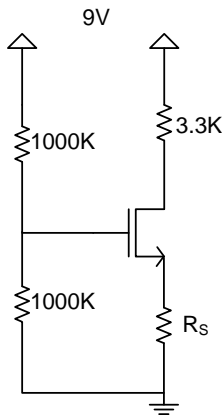
Figure A

12. Find the y-axis intercept of the load line.  
a) 2.27      b) 5      c) 4.17      d) 3.33      e) 2.78
13. Find  $V_{DS}$  (in V) at the bias (Q) point of the MOSFET when  $V_{GS} = 4$  V.  
a) 2.4      b) 1.8      c) 0.8      d) 3.2      e) 1.2

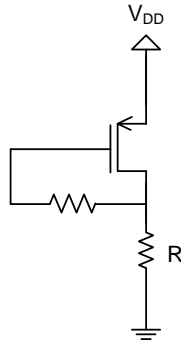
14. Find the drain current (in mA) for the MOSFET in the circuit below. The MOSFET parameters are  $V_{t0} = 1 \text{ V}$ ,  $k'(W/L) = 1 \text{ mA/V}^2$ , and  $V_A = 4 \text{ V}$ . Assume  $V_{GS} = 3 \text{ V}$ ,  $V_{DD} = 9 \text{ V}$  and  $R_D = 1 \text{ K}\Omega$ .
- a) 0.39      b) 1.44      c) 2.85      **d) 4.33**      e) 5.70



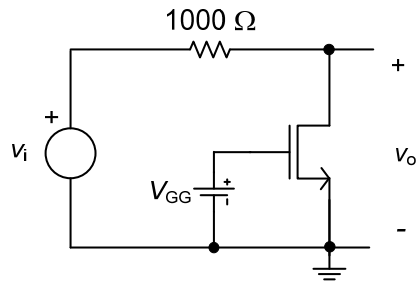
15. Find  $V_{GS}$  (in V) for the MOSFET in the circuit below. The MOSFET parameters are  $V_{t0} = 0.8 \text{ V}$  and  $k'(W/L) = 0.2 \text{ mA/V}^2$ . Assume  $R_S = 0.5 \text{ K}\Omega$ .
- a) 3.67      b) 4.37      **c) 3.99**      d) 3.27      e) 3.02



16. The drain current for the MOSFET in the circuit shown is given by  $V_{DD}/2R$ . The MOSFET threshold voltage is  $-V_{DD}/8$ . Find the product  $k'(W/L) \times V_{DD} \times R$ .
- a) 6.6      b) 11.1      c) 9.0      d) 7.84      **e) 7.1**

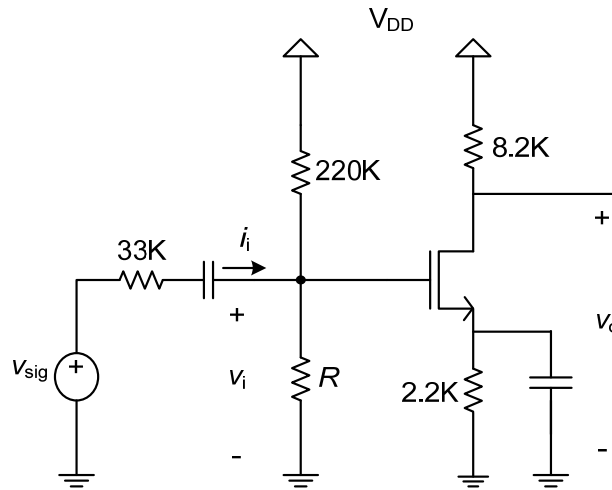


17. Assume in the circuit below that  $v_i$  is a small voltage, not exceeding a few millivolts. Find the value of  $(W/L)$  for the MOSFET, if it is required to have  $v_o/v_i = 0.5$  when  $V_{GG} = 1.8$  V. The MOSFET parameters are  $V_{t0} = 0.6$  V and  $k' = 0.1$  mA/V<sup>2</sup>.
- a) 4.76      b) 3.70      c) 11.1      **d) 8.33**      e) 6.25



18. A MOSFET amplifier is biased at  $V_{OV} = 0.1 \times V_{DD}$ ,  $V_{DS} = 0.5 \times V_{DD}$ . Find the product  $g_m \times r_o$  for this MOSFET, if  $V_A = 4 \times V_{DD}$ .
- a) 150      b) 170      **c) 90**      d) 110      e) 130

In the circuit shown below, the MOSFET is biased such that  $g_m = 1 \text{ mA/V}$  and  $r_o = 50 \text{ K}\Omega$ . Assume that all capacitors are very large, and that  $R = 220 \text{ K}\Omega$ .



19. Find the overall small-signal voltage gain  $v_o/v_{sig}$ .  
 a)  $-3.28$     b)  $-3.89$     c)  $-4.76$     d)  $-5.14$     e)  $-5.42$

20. Find the input resistance  $v_i/i_i$  in  $\text{K}\Omega$ .  
 a)  $28.7$     b)  $110$     c)  $89.2$     d)  $40.7$     e)  $68.8$

21. Assume that the gain from gate to drain  $v_o/v_i$  is  $-8$ . What is the maximum signal swing (in V) at the drain that keeps the MOSFET in saturation?

The transistor is biased at  $V_{OV} = 0.8 \text{ V}$ ,  $V_{DS} = 3 \text{ V}$ . Neglect signal distortion.

a)  $\pm 2.13$     b)  $\pm 1.42$     c)  $\pm 1.6$     d)  $\pm 1.78$     e)  $\pm 1.96$

22. The process transconductance parameter  $k'$  is  $0.2 \text{ mA/V}^2$  for a certain process. If the dielectric thickness  $t_{ox}$  is reduced by a factor of 2, find the new value of  $k'$  (in  $\text{mA/V}^2$ ).

a)  $0.5$     b)  $0.4$     c)  $0.3$     d)  $0.2$     e)  $0.1$

23. A MOSFET is biased at  $V_{OV} = 1 \text{ V}$ ,  $V_{DS} = 3 \text{ V}$ , with  $I_D = 0.2 \text{ mA}$ . Find the resistance value (in  $\text{K}\Omega$ ) that appears between gate and source in the small-signal  $T$ -model.

a)  $1.67$     b)  $2.0$     c)  $5.0$     d)  $3.33$     e)  $2.5$