

# Lecture 36

- Last time:
  - Cascode amplifiers, totem pole voltage supplies
- Start: two-stage CMOS transconductance amp
- Today :
  - Complete "lecture design" of two-stage CMOS transconductance amplifier

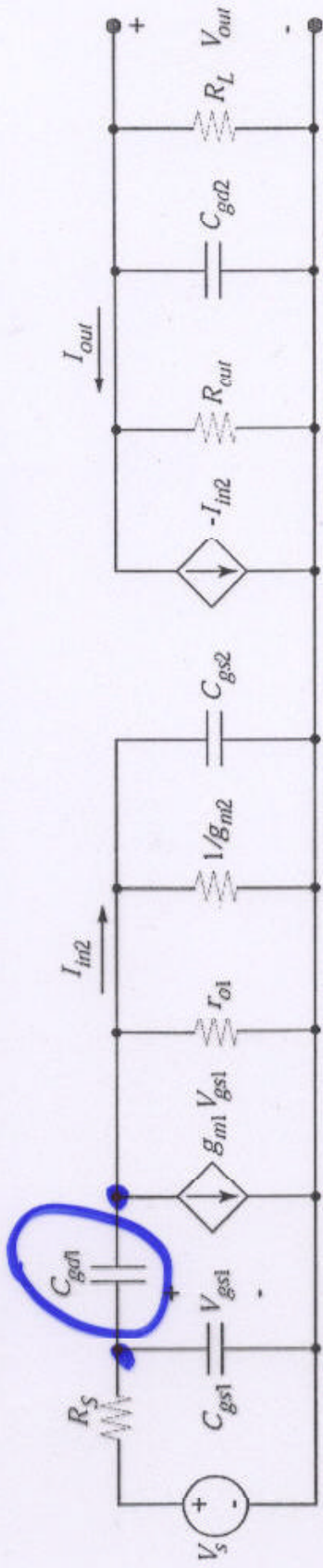
## 3 EXAMPLES

- PS DUE AT 4PM TODAY
- PS 12 OUT FRIDAY

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**9:30 - 11:00**

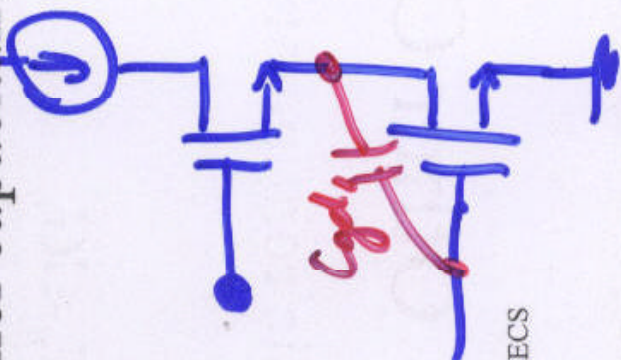
# Two-Port Model with Capacitors



Miller capacitance:  $C_M = (1 - A_v)C_{gs1}$

$(1 - A_v)C_{gd1}$

$\leftarrow A_v C_{gd1} \approx -g_{m1}/g_{m2} \dots$

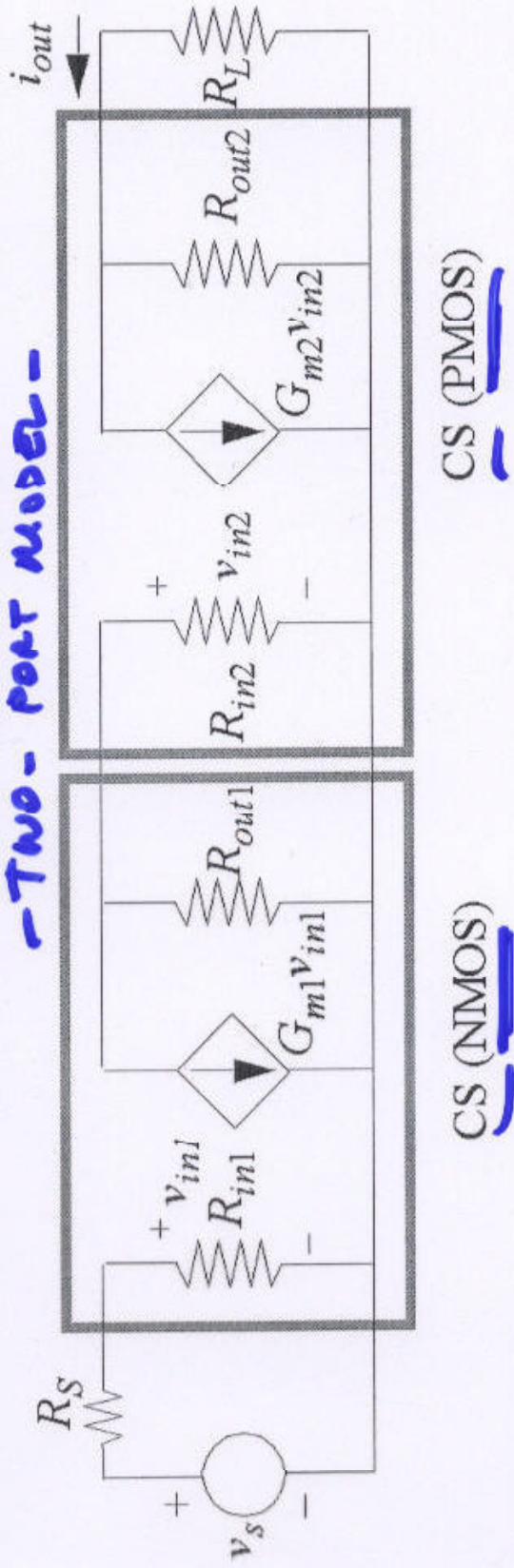


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# Multistage Amplifier Design Examples

Start with basic two-stage transconductance amplifier:

**- TWO-PORT MODEL -**



Why do this combination?

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**CS - CS ...**

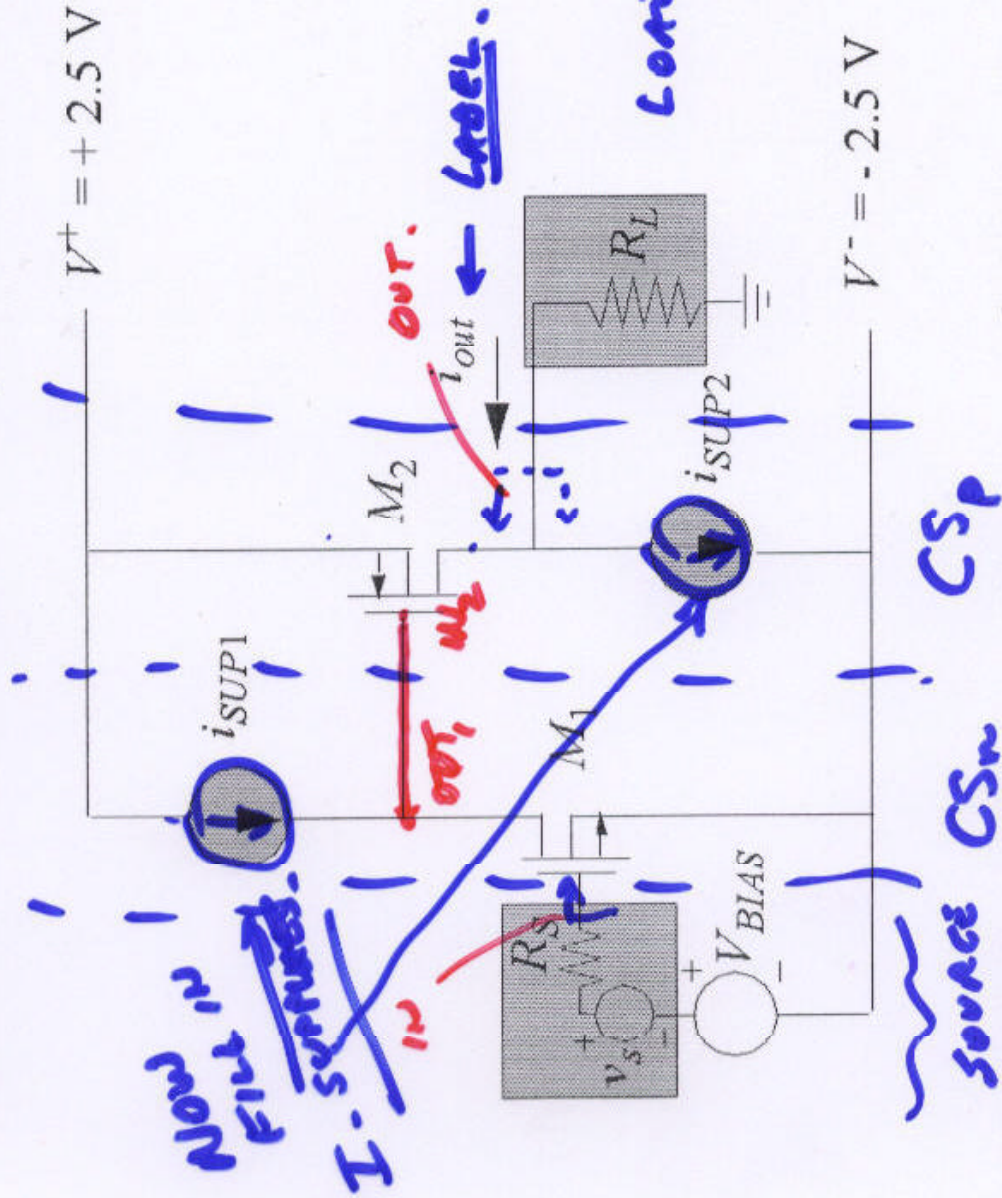
**1ST STEP IN MULTISTAGE DESIGN**

**WHY? DC LEVEL SHIFTS**

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# Two-Stage Amplifier Topology.

Direct DC connection: use NMOS then PMOS

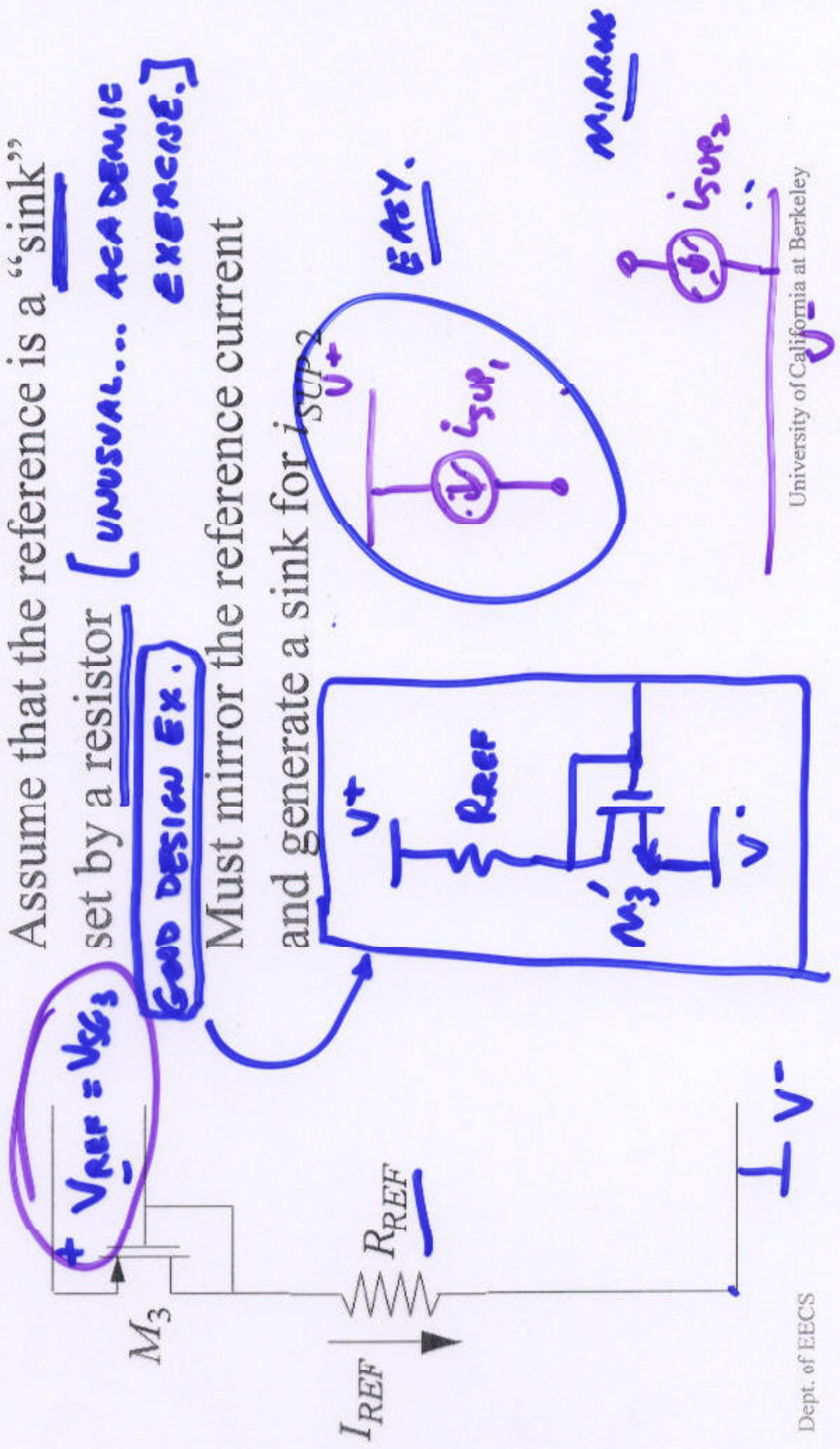


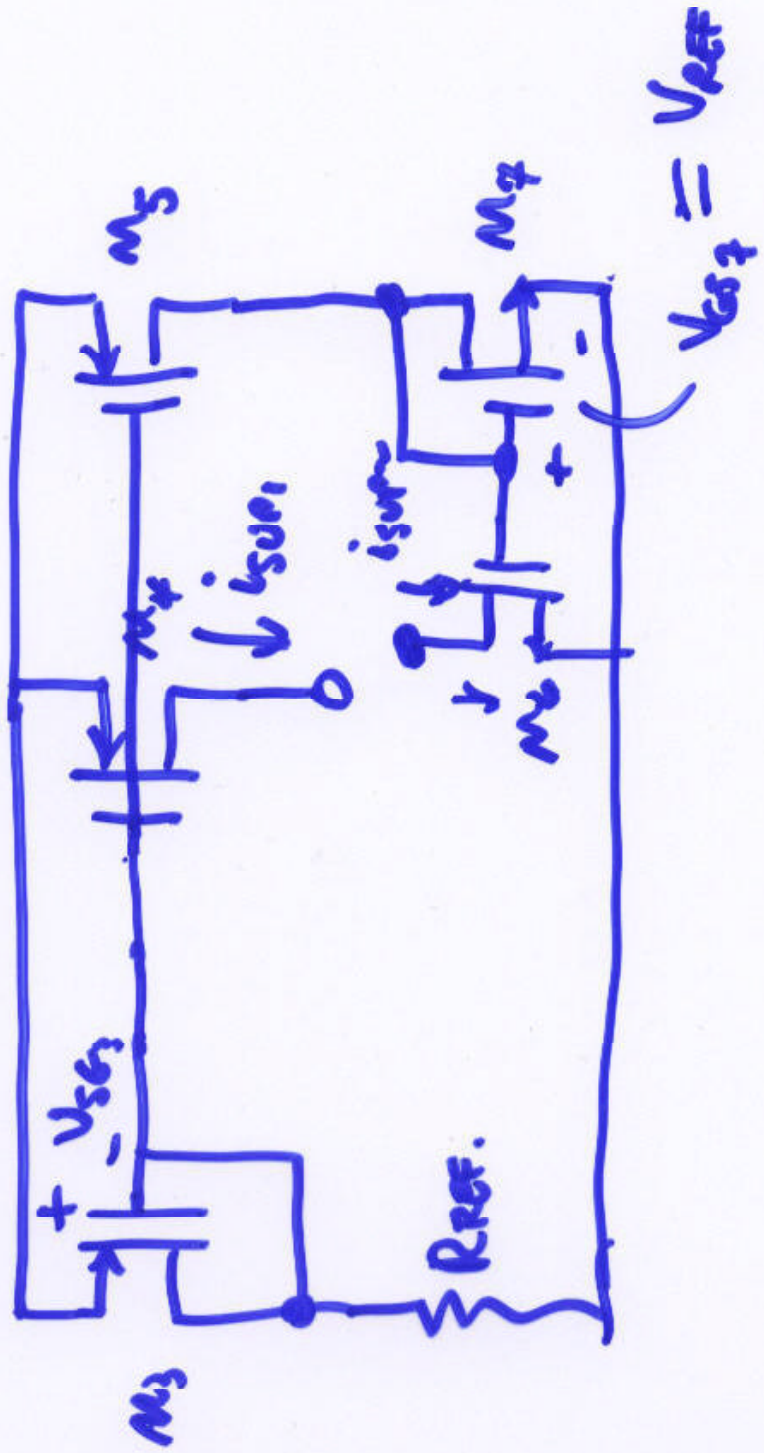
# Current Supply Design

Assume that the reference is a "sink" set by a resistor [UNUSUAL... ACADEMIC EXERCISE.]

**GOOD DESIGN EX.**

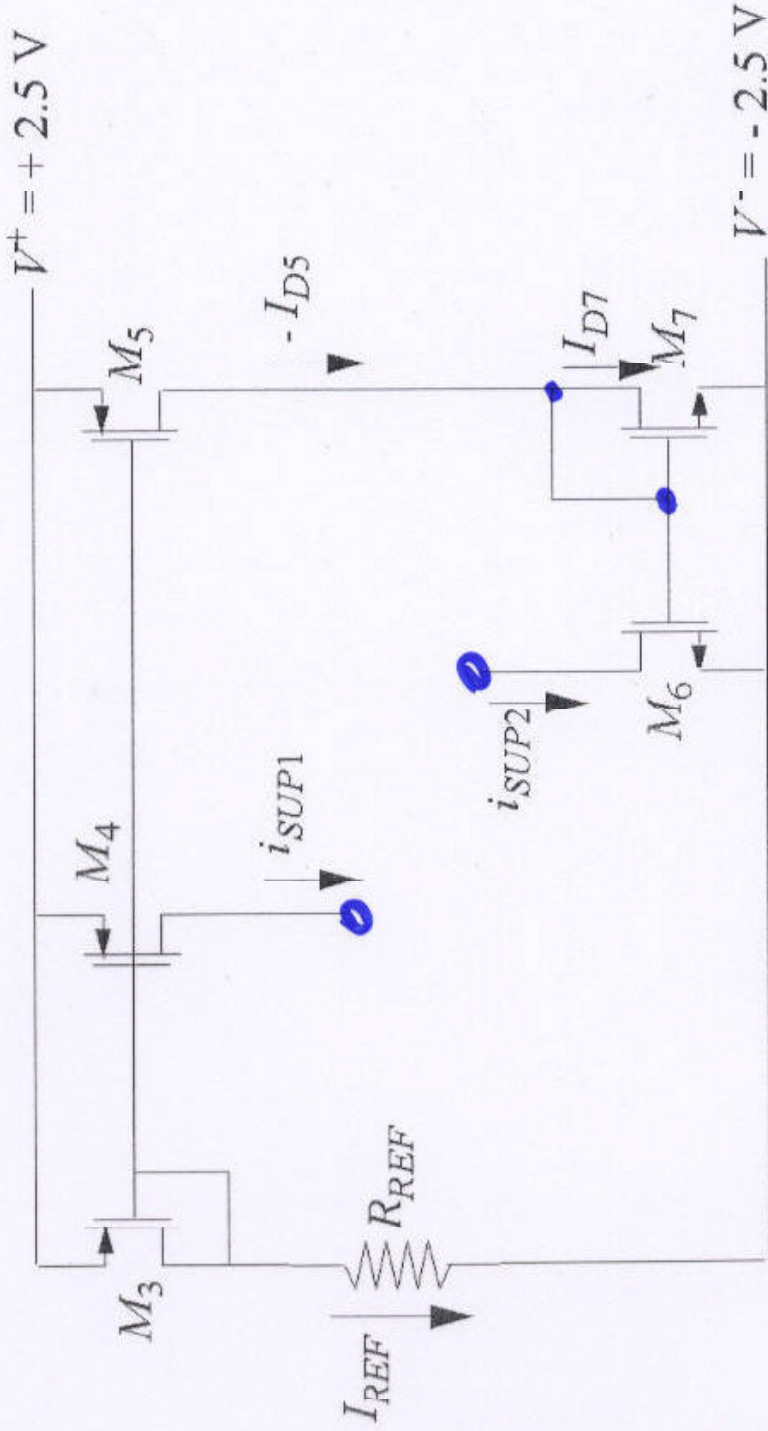
Must mirror the reference current and generate a sink for  $i_{SUP2}$





**SIMPLE**

# Use Basic Current Supplies



**5 NMOSFETS**  
**1 RESISTOR**

**NOTE:**

**2 "GAIN CURRENTS"**  
**I SUPPLIES.**

# DC Bias: Find Operating Points

**NEEDS  $\lambda$ 's.**

**APPROX. ... PSpICE.**

\* Find  $V_{BIAS}$  such that  $V_{OUT} = 0$  V

Device parameters:

$$\mu_n C_{ox} = 50 \mu\text{A/V}^2$$

$$\mu_p C_{ox} = 25 \mu\text{A/V}^2$$

$$V_{Tn} = 1 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{Tp} = -1 \text{ V}$$

$$\lambda_n = 0.05 \text{ V}^{-1}$$

$$\lambda_p = 0.05 \text{ V}^{-1}$$

- Device dimensions (for “lecture” design):

**HIGHLY CONSTRAIN ... SO MATH WORKS.**

$$(W/L)_n = \underline{50/2}$$

$$(W/L)_p = \underline{80/2}$$

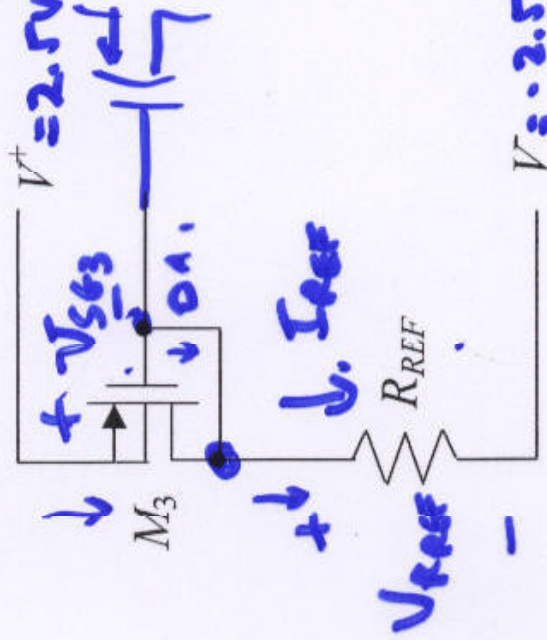
$$\mu_p/\mu_n \approx 1/2$$



# Finding $R_{REF}$

TOO LARGE!  
WASTES POWER.

Require  $I_{REF} = -I_{D3} = 50 \mu A$  ✓



$$V_{SG3} = -V_{Tp} + \sqrt{\frac{-2I_{D3}}{\mu_p C_{ox} (W/L)_3}}$$

$$= -(-1)V + \sqrt{\frac{2(50\mu A)}{35\mu A (80/2)}}$$

$$\approx 1 + \sqrt{\frac{4}{40}} = 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} = 1.32V$$

$$I_{REF} = 50\mu A \cdot \underbrace{V_{REF}}$$

$$= \frac{[V^+ - V_{SG3}] - [V^-]}{R_{REF}}$$

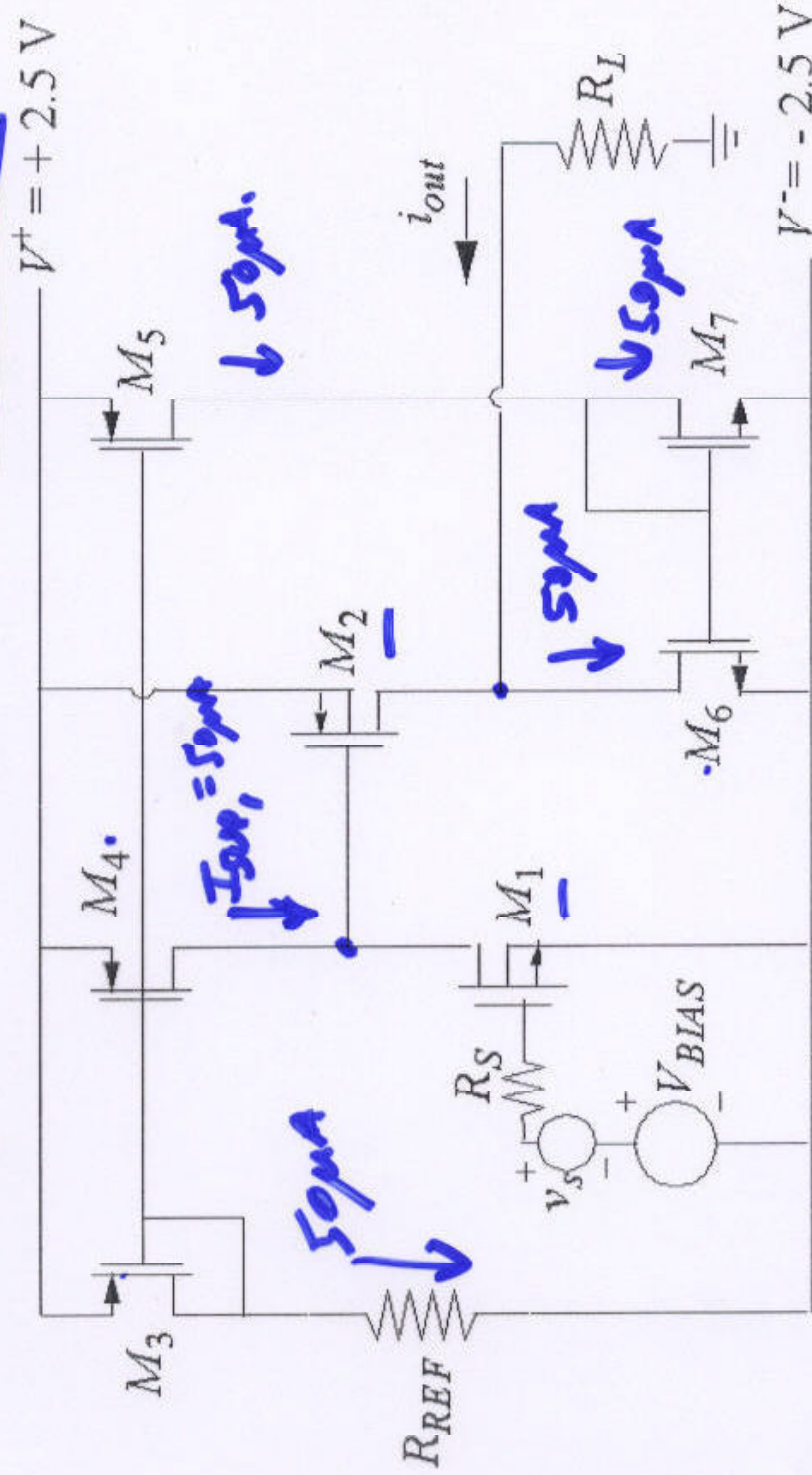
$$R_{REF} = \frac{(5 - 1.32)V}{50\mu A}$$

$$R_{REF} = 74.4\Omega$$

$$I_{REF} = \frac{R_{REF}}{2.5 - (-1.32)} = (-2.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bullet \sqrt{V_{B1A5}} = V_{DS1} &= V_{TN} + \sqrt{\frac{2 I_{D1}}{\mu_n C_{ox} (W/L)_1}} \\
 &= 1 + \sqrt{\frac{100 \mu A}{(56 \mu A/V^2) \cdot (50/k)}} \\
 &= 1 + \sqrt{\frac{4}{50}} V \\
 &\approx 1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{50}} V \approx \frac{9}{7} V.
 \end{aligned}$$

# Complete Amplifier Topology



What's missing? The device dimensions and the bias voltage and reference resistor

KNOW ALL DC CURRENTS ...

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# Small-Signal Device Parameters

Transistors  $M_1$  and  $M_2$

$g_{m1} = 350 \mu S$

$r_{o1} = 400 k\Omega$

$g_{m2} = 315 \mu S$

$r_{o2} = 400 k\Omega$

$\frac{1}{\lambda n I_{D1}} = \frac{1}{(0.05) \cdot 50 \mu A}$

*0.05 · 50 μA*

*1 nΩ*

Current supplies  $i_{SUP1}$  and  $i_{SUP2}$

$r_{oc1} = r_{o4} = 400 k\Omega$

$r_{oc2} = r_{o6} = 400 k\Omega$

if same ...  $L$ 's same [WHY?]

BOOST (W/L)

$g_{m1} = \mu_n C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right) (V_{GS1} - V_{TH1})$

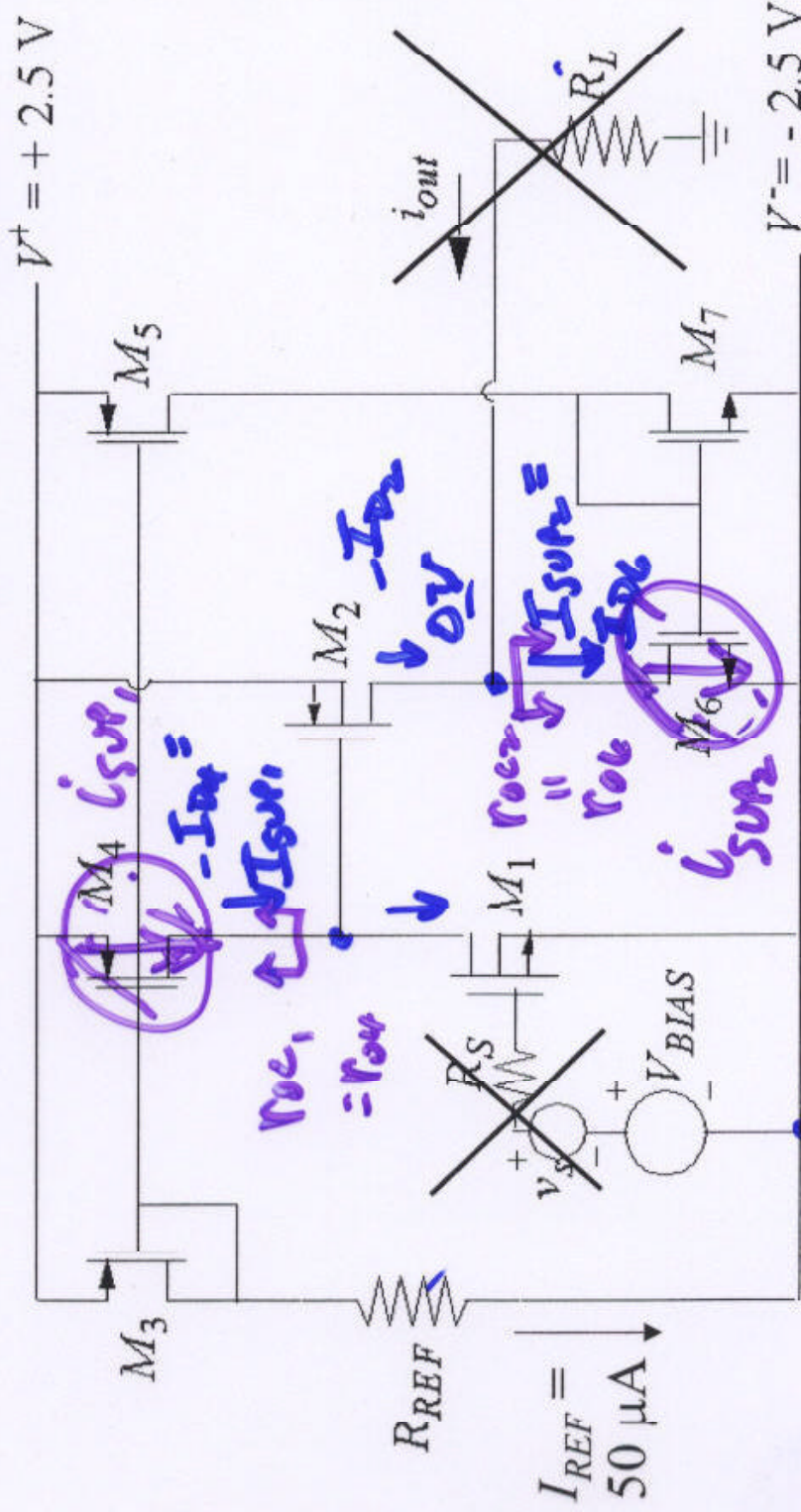
$g_{m1} = \frac{2 I_{D1}}{(V_{GS1} - V_{TH1})}$

BOOST  
 $I_{D1}$   
 $50 \mu A$

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SET  $V_{DS}$  SO THAT  $V_{out}$  OR  $I_{out} = 0$

# DC Operating Point

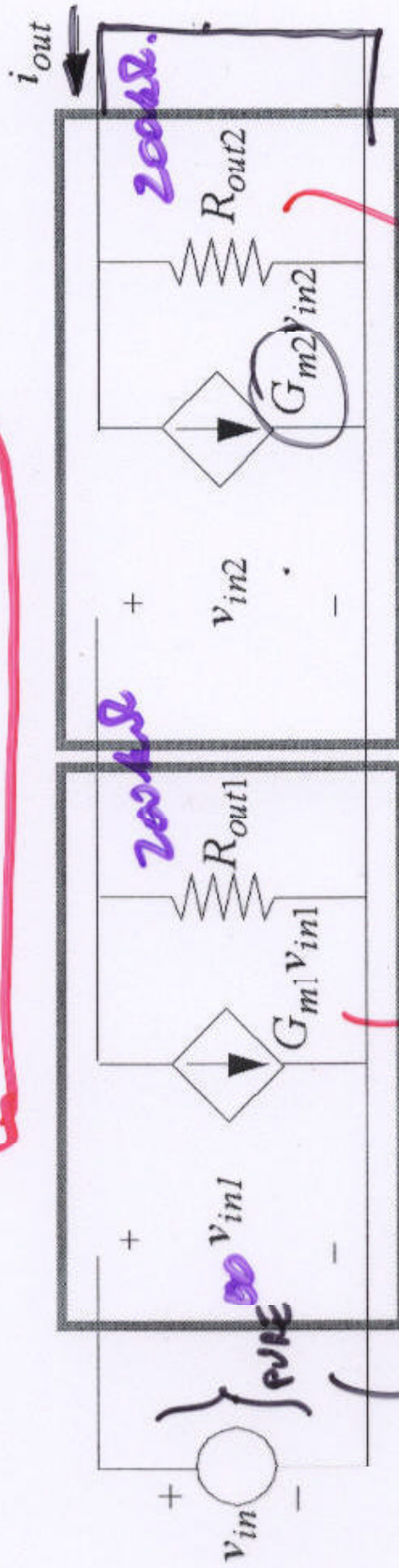


HAND...  $V_{BIAS} =$   
 CALC...  $= I_{SUP1} = 50\ \mu\text{A}$ .  
 STATEMENT FOR POINT SPICE  
 $I_{D1} = \frac{A_n C_{ox}}{2} (V_{GS1} - V_{TH1})^2 (1 + \lambda V_{DS1})$   
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 ABLE...  $\downarrow \lambda$

$g_{m1} = 0.35 \text{ mS}$ ;  $R_{out1} = 200 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

$g_{m2} = 0.315 \text{ mS}$ .

# TWO-PORT MODEL



CS (NMOS)

CS (PMOS)

$R_{out} = R_{out2}$

Find  $G_m = i_{out} / v_{in}$

$= -g_{m1} g_{m2} R_{out1}$

$g_{m1} = g_{m2}$

$R_{out1} = r_{o1} \parallel r_{oc1}$

$= r_{o2} \parallel r_{oc2}$

$v_{in1} = -g_{m1} \cdot R_{out1} \cdot v_{in}$

$i_{out} = g_{m2} \cdot v_{in2}$

$i_{out} = g_{m2} [-g_{m1} \cdot R_{out1}] \cdot v_{in}$

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KNOW WHY!