

**PROBLEM SET #5**

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Due: Tuesday, Feb.28, 2012, 6:00 p.m. in the EE 140 homework box in 240 Cory

1. For the two current sources shown in Fig. PS5.1, assume  $R = 68k\Omega$ ,  $\beta_f = 50$ ,  $V_A = 60V$ , and  $V_{BE(on)} = 0.7V$ , calculate the output currents ( $I_{O2}$  and  $I_{O3}$ ) and the corresponding output resistances for each circuit. For the circuit in Fig. PS5.1(b), assume  $V_A = \infty$ .

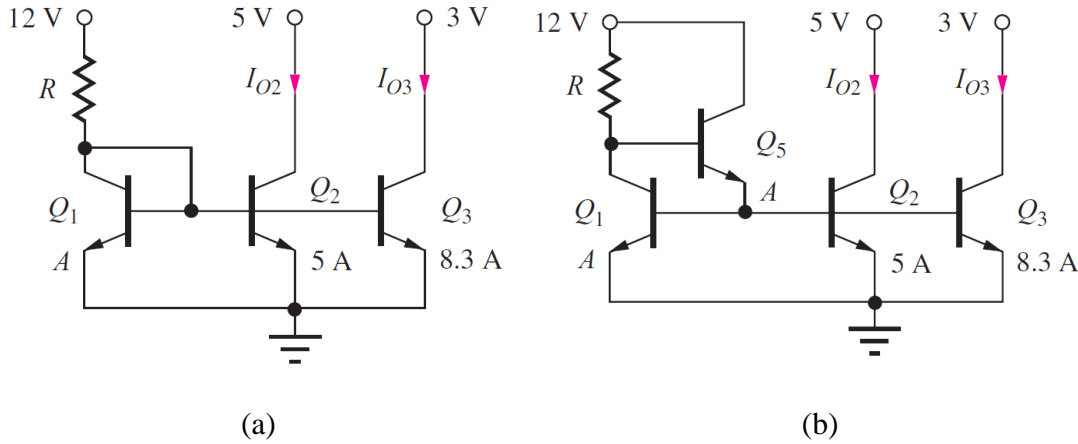


Fig. PS5.1

2. For the current source circuit shown in Fig. PS5.2, assume  $V_t = 0.7V$ ,  $k' = 110\mu A/V^2$ ,  $\gamma = 0.4$ ,  $\lambda = 0.04$ ,  $2|\phi_f| = 0.7$ .
- For Fig. PS5.2 (a), calculate the bias  $V_{b1}$  in order to achieve an output current  $I_{out} = 10\mu A$ .
  - Continuing from part a), calculate the output resistance and the minimum output voltage required to keep the transistor in saturation in the circuit of Fig. PS5.2 (a).
  - Suppose the source degenerated resistor in Fig. PS5.2 (a) is replaced by a transistor  $M_2$  as shown in Fig. PS5.2 (b). Design the size of  $M_2$  to achieve  $I_{out} = 10\mu A$  with the same output resistance as the circuit in Fig. PS5.2 (a). Calculate the required bias voltage  $V_{b2}$ . What is the minimum output voltage required to keep the transistors in saturation?

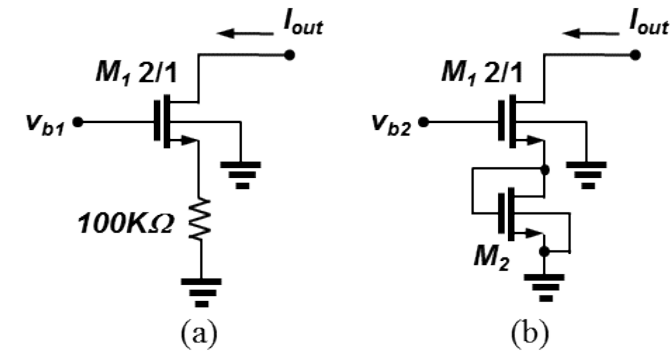


Fig. PS5.2

3. For the current source circuit shown in Fig. PS5.3, assume  $V_t = 0.7\text{V}$ ,  $k' = 110\mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2$ ,  $\gamma = 0.4$ ,  $\lambda = 0.04$ ,  $2|\phi_f| = 0.7$ .
  - a) For Fig. PS5.3 (a), design the size of  $M_4$  to achieve the minimum output voltage  $2V_{OV, M1}$ . (You may ignore body effect for this part.)
  - b) From part a), considering the body effect, what is the minimum output voltage that ensures all transistors are in saturation region? What is the output resistance?
  - c) Suppose the reference current sources are reduced by half as shown in Fig. PS 5.3 (b). Size  $M_3$  and  $M_4$  to achieve the same output current as that of the circuit in Fig. PS 5.3 (a).

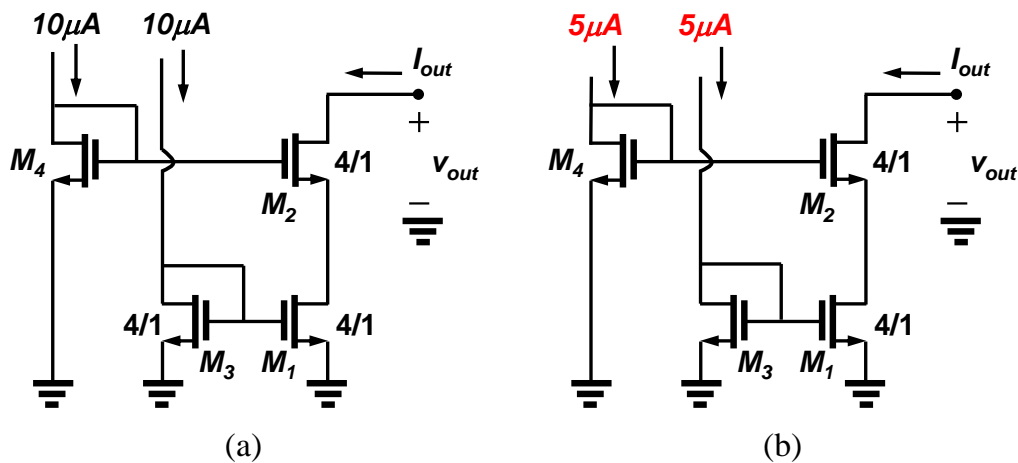


Fig. PS5.3

4. In the circuit of Fig. PS5.4, a source follower using a wide transistor  $M_4$  and a small bias current  $I_1$  is inserted in series with the gate of  $M_3$  so as to bias  $M_2$  at the edge of saturation. Assuming  $M_0$ - $M_3$  are identical with a size of  $(W_0/L_0)$  and  $\lambda \neq 0$ , write an expression for  $I_{out} / I_{REF}$  for a)  $\gamma = 0$ ; b)  $\gamma \neq 0$ .

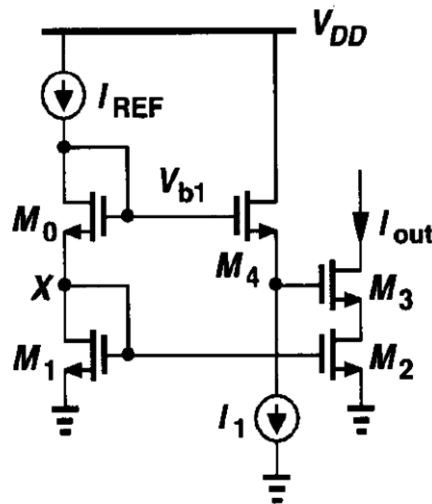


Fig. PS5.4