

Mid-Term Exam, ECE-137B
 Tuesday, April 28, 2015

Closed-Book Exam

There are 2 problems on this exam, and you have 75 minutes.

1) show all work. Full credit will not be given for correct answers if supporting work is not shown.

2) please write answers in provided blanks

3) Don't Panic !

4) 137a, 137b crib sheets, and 2 pages personal sheets permitted.

Use any, all reasonable approximations. 5% accuracy is fine if the method is correct.

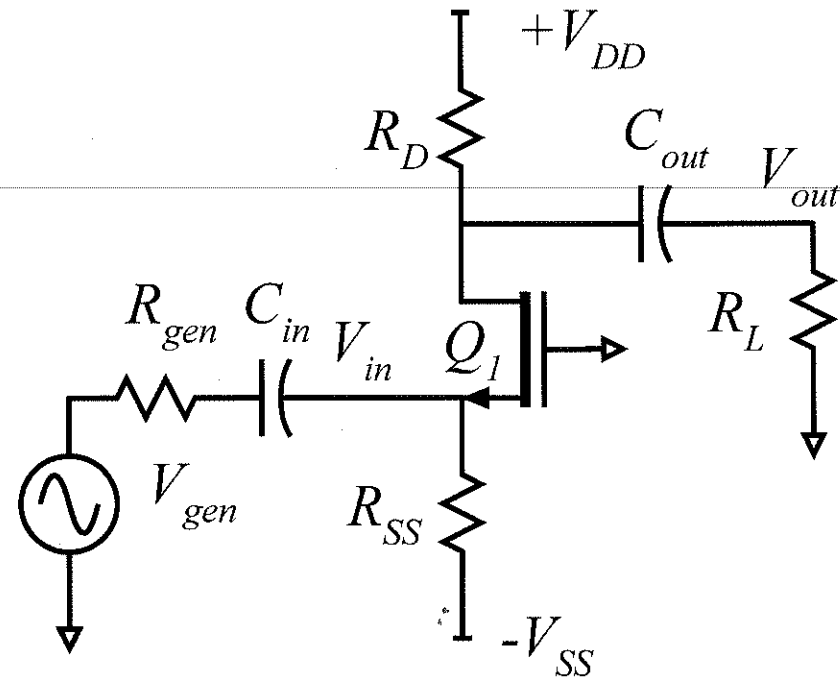
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Time function	LaPlace Transform
$\delta(t)$	1
$U(t)$	$1/s$
$e^{-\alpha t}U(t)$	$\frac{1}{s + \alpha}$
$e^{-\alpha t} \cos(\omega_d t)U(t)$	$\frac{s + \alpha}{(s + \alpha)^2 + \omega_d^2}$
$e^{-\alpha t} \sin(\omega_d t)U(t)$	$\frac{\omega_d}{(s + \alpha)^2 + \omega_d^2}$

Problem	Points Received	Points Possible
1a		6
1b		8
1c		8
1d		14
1e		14
1f		10
2a		10
2b		10
2c		10
2d		10
total		100

Problem 1, 60 points



Q1 has 1.0 nm oxide thickness, $\epsilon_r=3.8$, 22 nm gate length, and a 0.2 V threshold.

Mobility is $400 \text{ cm}^2/(\text{V}\cdot\text{s})$, saturation drift velocity is $1\text{E}7 \text{ cm/s}$, $\lambda = 0 \text{ Volts}^{-1}$,

$C_{gs} = \epsilon_r \epsilon_{ox} L_g W_g / T_{ox} + (0.5\text{fF} / \mu\text{m}) \cdot W_g$ and $C_{gd} = (0.5\text{fF} / \mu\text{m}) \cdot W_g$.

Hints:

$\epsilon_r \epsilon_{ox} / T_{ox} = 3.36 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ F/m}^2$, $(\mu c_{ox} W_g / 2L_g) = (3.06 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ A/V}^2) \cdot (W_g / 1\mu\text{m})$

$(c_{ox} v_{sat} W_g) = (3.36 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ A/V}^1) \cdot (W_g / 1\mu\text{m})$, $(v_{sat} L_g / \mu) = 55\text{mV}$.

The power supplies are +2V and -2V. The drain currents of Q1 is 2 mA.

V_{gs} of Q1 is 0.30 V. The drain of Q1 is at +1.0V.

$R_{gen} = 500\Omega$. $R_L = 3 \cdot R_D$

$C_{in} = 1 \text{ nF}$, $C_{out} = 2 \text{ nF}$

Part a, 6 points

Find the following:

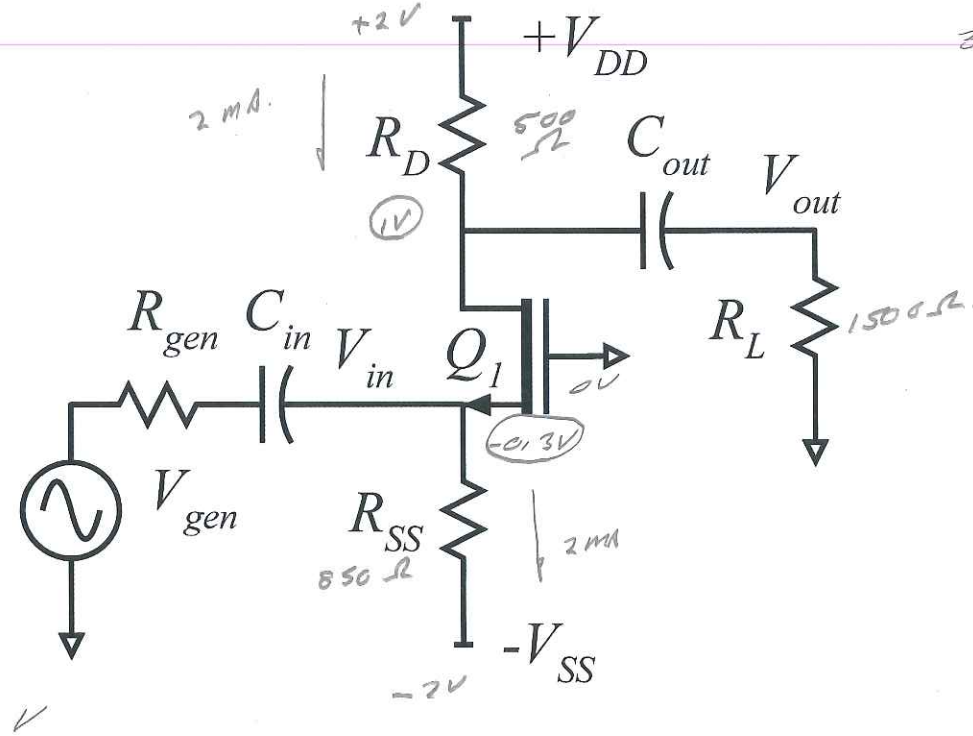
$$R_{ss} = \underline{850 \Omega} \quad R_D = \underline{500 \Omega}$$

$$W_g = \underline{8.3 \mu\text{m}} \quad R_L = \underline{1500 \Omega}$$

$$3.36 \frac{\text{mA}}{\text{V}} \cdot \frac{W_g}{1 \mu\text{m}}$$

Draw all DC node voltages on the circuit diagram below.

$$30.6 \frac{\text{mA}}{\text{V}^2} \cdot \frac{W_g}{1 \mu\text{m}}$$



$$V_{GS} = 0.5 \text{V} \approx V_{GS} + \Delta V$$

→ velocity limited.

$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3.36 \frac{\text{mA}}{\text{V}} \cdot \frac{W_g}{1 \mu\text{m}} \cdot (V_{GS} - 0.225 \text{V})^2$$

$2 \text{ mA} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3.36 \frac{\text{mA}}{\text{V}} \cdot \frac{W_g}{1 \mu\text{m}} \cdot (0.3 \text{V})^2$

$$\Rightarrow W_g = 8.27 \mu\text{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow I_D = 27.8 \frac{\text{mA}}{\text{V}} \cdot (V_{GS} - 0.225 \text{V})^2$$

$$R_D = 1 \text{V} / 2 \text{mA} = 500 \Omega$$

$$R_{SS} = \frac{1.7 \text{V}}{2 \text{mA}} = 850 \Omega$$

$$R_L = 3 \cdot R_D = 1500 \Omega$$

Part b. 8 points

small-signal parameters

Find the following

$$C_{gs} = \frac{66.1 \text{ fF}}{27.8 \text{ mS}} \quad C_{gd} = \frac{4.15 \text{ fF}}{305 \text{ GHz}}$$

$$C_{gs} = 3.36 \cdot 10^{-2} \frac{\text{fF}}{\text{m}^2} \cdot L_g \cdot W_g + 0.5 \frac{\text{fF}}{\mu\text{m}} \cdot W_g$$

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow$
 $22 \text{ nm} \quad 8.5 \mu\text{m} \quad 5.3 \mu\text{m}$

$$= 6.17 \text{ fF} + 4.15 \text{ fF}$$
$$= \frac{66.1 \text{ fF}}{10.34 \text{ fF}}$$

$$C_{gd} = 0.5 \frac{\text{fF}}{\mu\text{m}} \cdot W_g = 4.15 \text{ fF}$$

\uparrow
 $5.3 \mu\text{m}$

$$I_D = 27.8 \frac{\mu\text{A}}{\text{V}} \cdot (V_{gs} - 0.228 \text{ V}) \Rightarrow g_m = 27.8 \text{ mS}$$

$$f_T = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{g_m}{(C_{gs} + C_{gd})} = 0.159 \frac{27.8 \text{ mS}}{14.49 \text{ fF}}$$
$$= \frac{65.0 \text{ GHz}}{305.35 \text{ GHz}}$$

Part c: 8 points

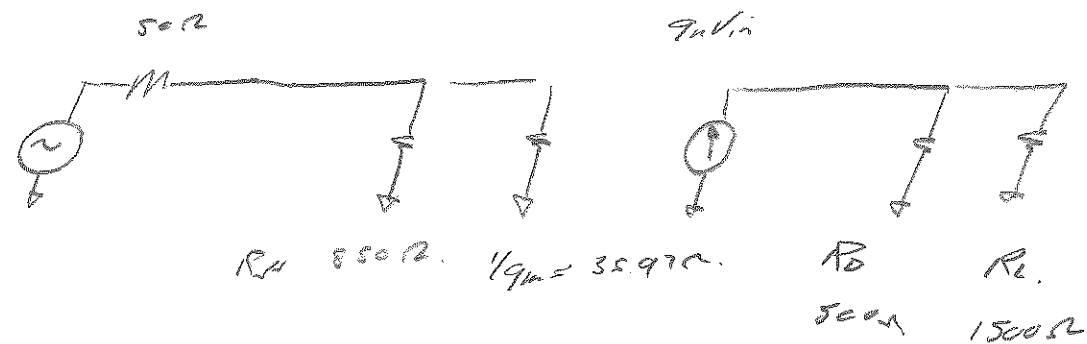
Mid Band Analysis:

Find the following:

$$R_{in, \text{Amplifier}} = \underline{34,5 \Omega} \quad R_{i, \text{eq}} = \underline{375 \Omega}$$

$$V_{out} / V_{in} = \underline{10,42} \quad V_{in} / V_{gen} = \underline{0,408}$$

$$V_o / V_{gs} = \underline{4,25}$$



$$R_{in, \text{AMP}} = 35,97 \Omega \parallel 850 \Omega$$

$$= 34,5 \Omega$$

$$R_{eq} = R_B \parallel R_L = 500 \Omega \parallel 1500 \Omega = 375 \Omega$$

$$R_T = R_{in, \text{AMP}} \parallel R_{gs} = 20,4 \Omega$$

$$V_{in} / V_{gs} = \frac{R_{in}}{R_{in} + R_{gs}} = \frac{34,5 \Omega}{34,5 \Omega + 50 \Omega} = 0,408$$

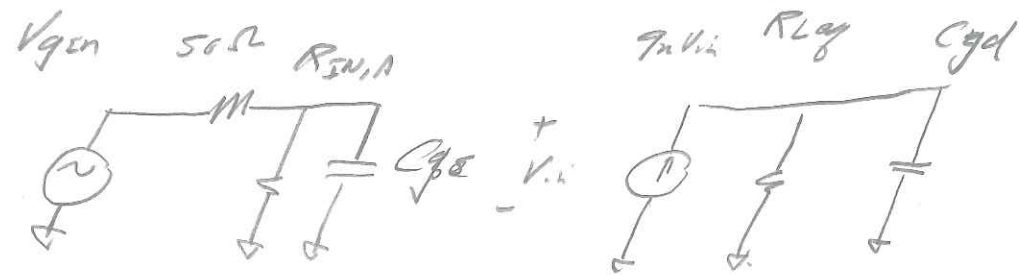
$$V_o / V_{gs} = \beta \cdot I_b \cdot R_{eq} = \frac{375 \Omega}{35,97 \Omega} = 10,42$$

Part d: 14 points

High-Frequency Analysis:

Find the frequencies, in Hz, of the two poles limiting the high-frequency response of the amplifier. Show your analysis (do not simply state that the input pole of a common-gate amplifier is approximately at f_T)

$f_{p1, HF} = \underline{754 \text{ Hz}}$ $f_{p2, HF} = \underline{102 \text{ kHz}}$



$$\tau_{in} = R_{in} \cdot C_{gs}$$

$$= 20.4 \Omega \cdot 10.34 \text{ fF}$$

$$= 21.1 \text{ pS}$$

$$f_{p1, HF} = \frac{0.159}{\tau} = 754.5 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\tau_{out} = R_{Lo} \cdot C_{gd}$$

$$= 375 \Omega \cdot 4.15 \text{ pF}$$

$$= 1.56 \text{ nS}$$

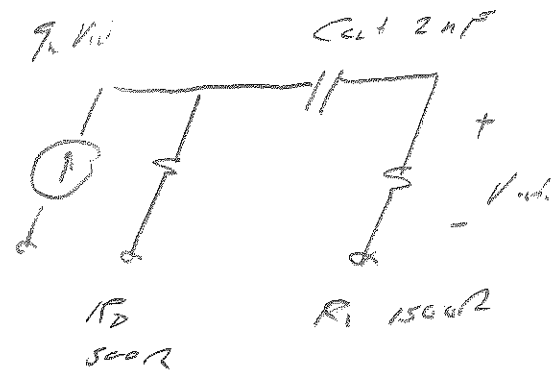
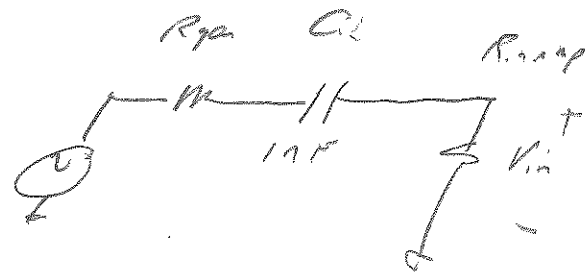
$$f_{p2, HF} = \frac{0.159}{\tau} = 102 \text{ kHz}$$

Part e: 14 points

Low-Frequency Analysis:

Find the frequencies, in Hz, of the two poles limiting the low-frequency response of the amplifier. Show your analysis.

$f_{p1,LF} = 1.88 \text{ MHz}$ $f_{p2,LF} = 39.8 \text{ kHz}$



$\tau_{in} = RC$

$= (R_{gs} + R_{in}) C_{gs}$

$= 84.5 \Omega \cdot 1 \text{ nF}$

$= 84.5 \text{ ns}$

$f_{p1,LF} = 1.88 \text{ MHz} = \frac{0.159}{\tau}$

$\tau_{out} = (R_D + R_L) C_{c1}$

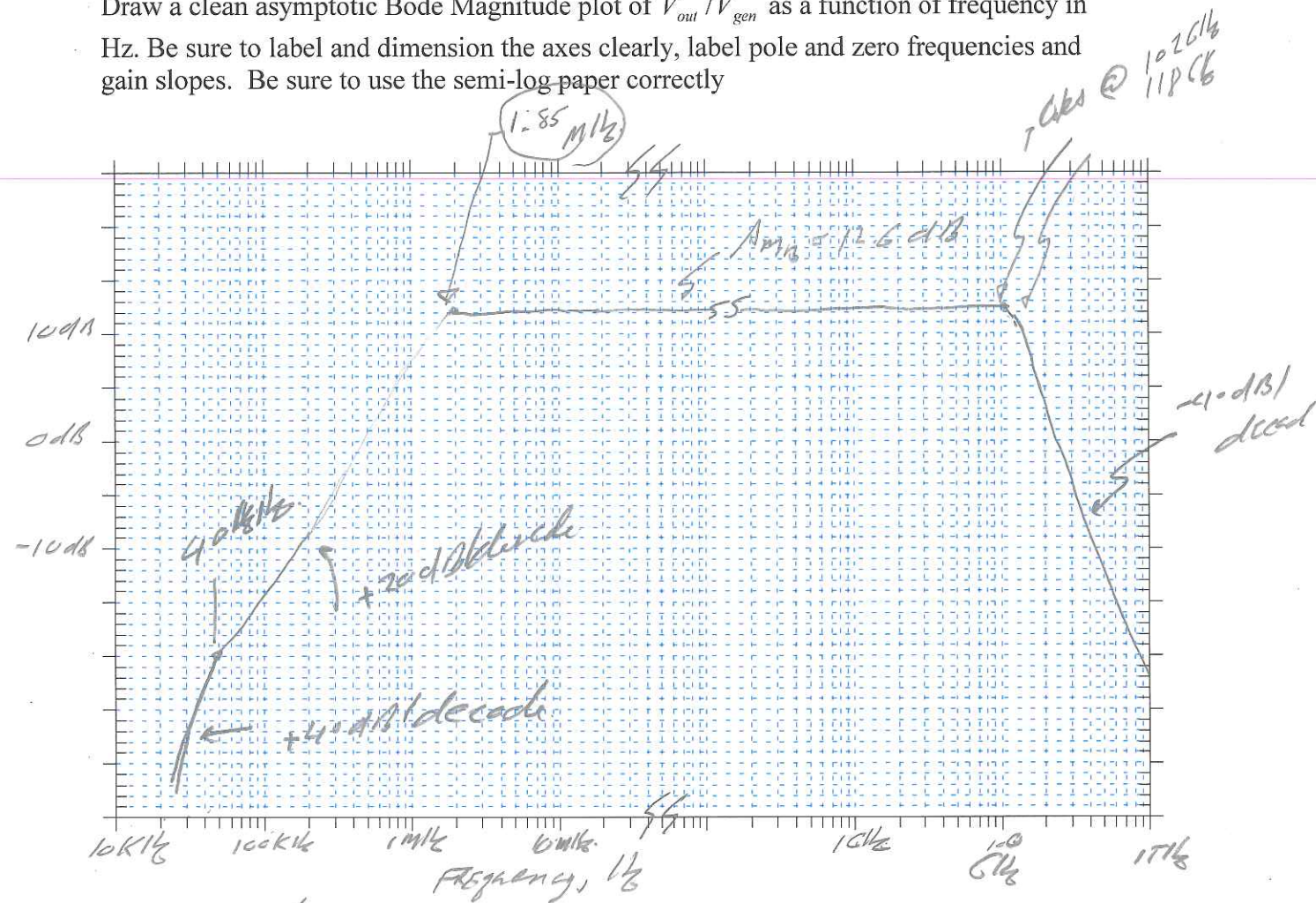
$= 2000 \Omega \cdot 2 \text{ nF}$

$= 4 \mu\text{s}$

$f_{p2,LF} = \frac{0.159}{4 \mu\text{s}} = 39.8 \text{ kHz}$

Part f: 10 points

Draw a clean asymptotic Bode Magnitude plot of V_{out} / V_{gen} as a function of frequency in Hz. Be sure to label and dimension the axes clearly, label pole and zero frequencies and gain slopes. Be sure to use the semi-log paper correctly



$$\omega_c / \omega_{in} / \text{MHz} = 4.25 = 12.6 \text{ dB}$$

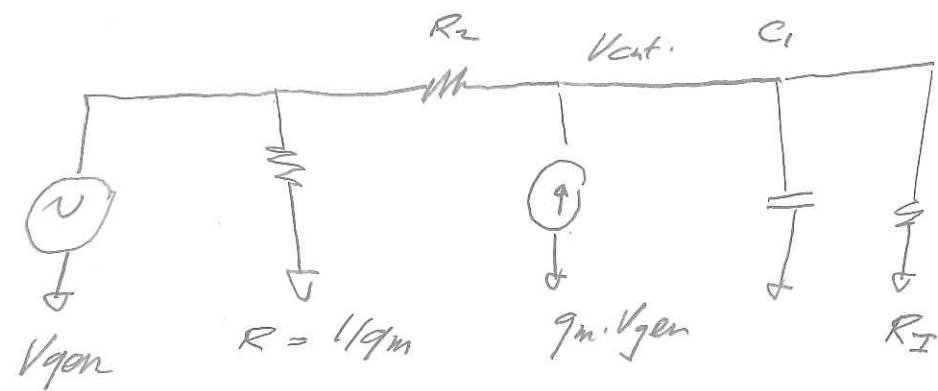
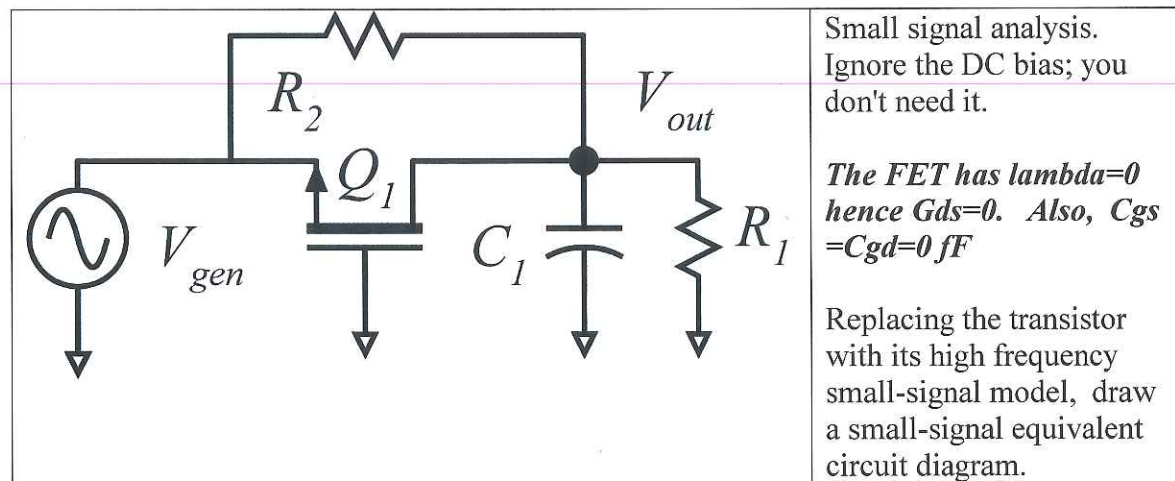
LF: (85 MHz, 37.8 kHz

HF: 118 kHz, 102.6 kHz

(plot has too small a range, I've had to split scales)

Problem 2, 40 points

Part a 10 points



Part b, 10 points

USING NODAL ANALYSIS, compute $V_{out}(s)/V_{gen}(s)$ in ratio-of-polynomials form:

$$\frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{gen}(s)} = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{gen}} \Big|_{\text{mid-band}} \times (s\tau)^m \times \frac{1 + b_1s + b_2s^2 + \dots}{1 + a_1s + a_2s^2 + \dots} =$$

here m , an integer, can be positive or negative or zero

$\Sigma I = 0$ @ V_{out}

$$V_{out} [G_2 + G_1 + sC_1] + V_{gen} [-G_2 - g_m] = 0$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{gen}} = \frac{G_2 + g_m}{G_1 + G_2 + sC_1}$$

$$= \frac{G_2 + g_m}{G_1 + G_2} \frac{1}{1 + sC_1(G_1 + G_2)^{-1}}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{gen}} = (g_m + 1/R_2) R_1 || R_2 \cdot \frac{1}{1 + sC_1 (R_1 || R_2)}$$

Part c, 10 points

$$g_m = 10 \text{ mS}, R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega, R_2 = 3 \text{ k}\Omega, C_1 = 1 \text{ pF}$$

Find the frequencies of any zeros (there may be zero, one or two present) in the transfer function:

$$f_{z1} = \text{---}, f_{z2} = \text{---}, \dots$$

There may be either 1 or 2 poles of the transfer function.

If the poles are real, give the 1 or 2 pole frequencies in Hz:

$$f_{p1} = 212 \text{ MHz}, f_{p2} = \text{---}$$

If there are 2 poles, and they are complex, give $f_n = \omega_n / 2\pi$ and the damping factor ζ :

$$f_n = \omega_n / 2\pi = \text{---}, \zeta = \text{---}$$

there is a single, σ -axis pole in the transfer function

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_1 &= (R_1 \parallel R_2) C_1 \\ &= 750 \Omega \cdot 1 \text{ pF} \\ &= 750 \text{ pS} \end{aligned}$$

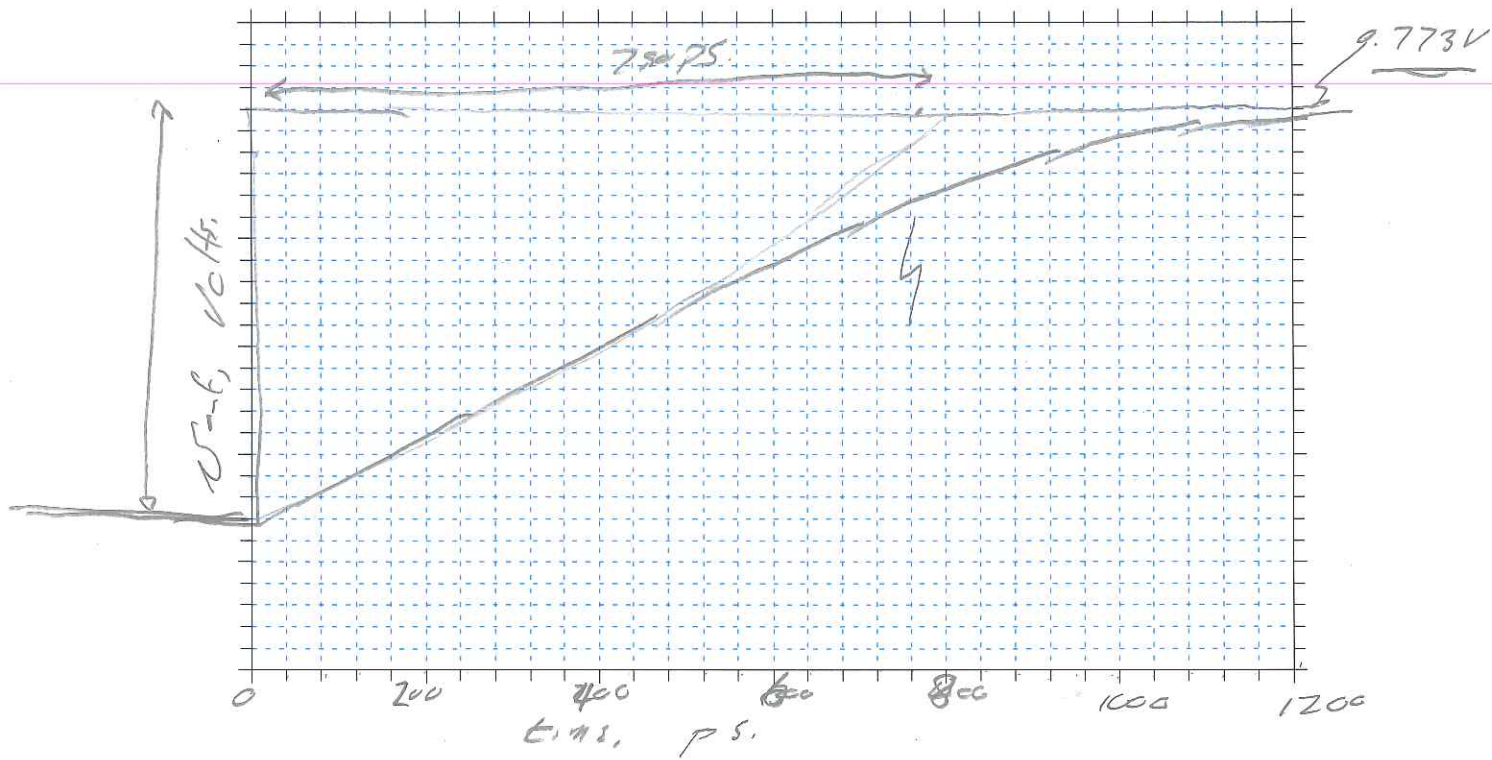
$$\frac{1}{f_{p1}} = \frac{0.159}{\tau_1} = 212 \text{ MHz}$$

low-frequency gain

$$\begin{aligned} &= (g_m + 1/R_2)(R_1 \parallel R_2) \\ &= 10.333 \text{ mS} (750 \Omega) \\ &= 7.73 \end{aligned}$$

Part d, 10 points

If $V_{in}(t)$ is a 100mV step-function, find and plot $V_{out}(t)$. Be sure to label and dimension the axes clearly, and to clearly label key features of the time waveform.



by inspection:

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_o(t) &= 0.1 \cdot 7.73 \cdot u(t) \left[1 - e^{-t/175} \right] \\
 &= 0.773 \cdot u(t) \left[1 - e^{-t/175 \text{ps}} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$