

## ECE137B Final Exam

There are 5 problems on this exam and you have 3 hours  
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Show all work:

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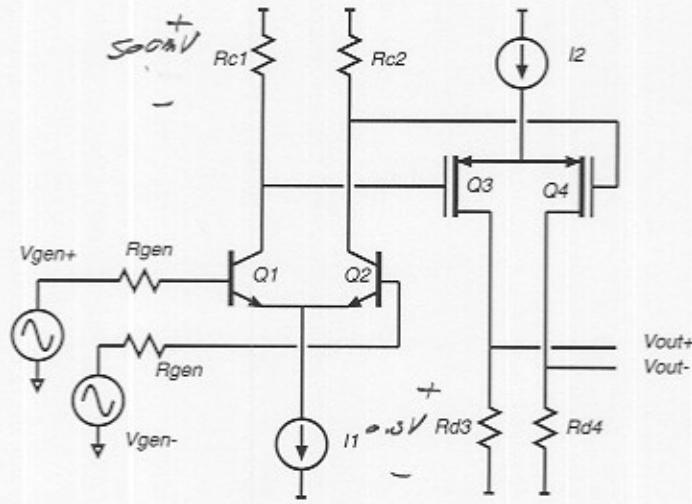
Class Crib sheets and 2 pages (front and back → 4 surfaces) of your own notes permitted.  
Don't panic.

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

Name: Solution B

Problem	points	possible	Problem	points	possible
1a		4	3a		10
1b		5	3b		20
1c		4	4		20
1d		12	5a		7
2		10	5b		8

**Problem 1, 25 points**  
*method of first-order and second-order time constants*



Q1 and Q2 have  $\beta = \infty$ ,  
 $V_a = \infty$ ,  $\tau_f = 1 \text{ ps}$ ,  $C_{je} = 1 \text{ fF}$ ,  
 $C_{cb} = 0 \text{ fF}$ .

Q3 and Q4 have  $v_{sat} c_{ox} W_g = 100$   
 $\text{mS}$ ,  $|V_t| = 0.25 \text{ volts}$ ,  $\lambda = 0 \text{ V}^{-1}$ ,  
 $C_{gs} = 160 \text{ fF}$ ,  $C_{gd} = 16 \text{ fF}$

The supplies are  $\pm 3.3 \text{ Volts}$ .  
 $R_{gen} = 100 \text{ Ohms}$

The input is fully differential, with  
 $V_{gen+} = -1 * V_{gen-}$

Part a, 4 points

The DC voltage drops across  $R_{c1}$  and  $R_{c2}$  are both 500 mV.

$R_{c1}, R_{c2}$ , are both 50 Ohms.

$R_{d3}$  and  $R_{d4}$  are both 25 Ohms.

The DC voltage drops across  $R_{d3}$  and  $R_{d4}$  are both 0.5 V.

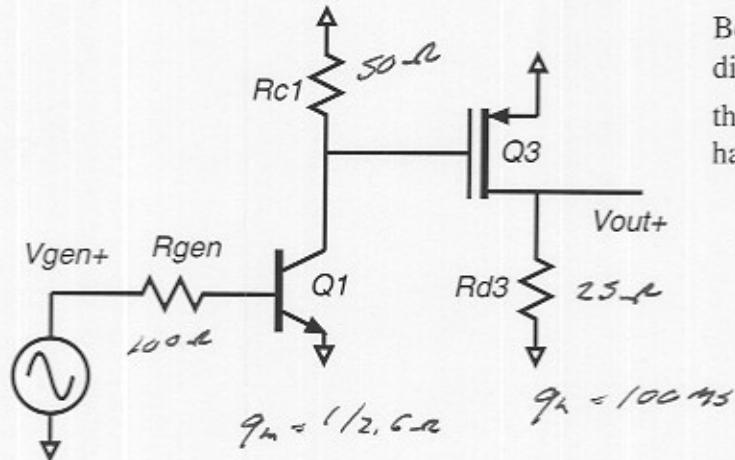
Find  $I_1$  and  $I_2$

$$I_1 = \frac{20 \text{ mA}}{R_{d3}} \quad I_2 = \frac{40 \text{ mA}}{R_{d4}}$$

$$I_1 = 2 \cdot \frac{500 \text{ mV}}{50 \Omega} = 20 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_2 = 2 \cdot \frac{500 \text{ mV}}{25 \Omega} = 40 \text{ mA}$$

Part b. 5 points



Because the input is fully differential, with  $V_{gen+} = -1 * V_{gen-}$ , the circuit can be analyzed using a half-circuit equivalent.

Find the following quantities at mid-band  
 $V_{out}/V_{gen} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

small-signal voltage gain of Q3 =  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

small-signal voltage gain of Q1 =  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$$I_{c1} = 10\text{mA} \rightarrow r_o = 1/2.6\text{mA}$$

$$Q_3: \text{cs: } Av = -g_m R_{load} = -2.5$$

$$Q_1: \text{cs: } Av = -g_m R_{load} = -19.23$$

$$v_i/v_{gen} = 1 \quad \text{because } R_{in} = \infty$$

$$v_i/v_{gen} = -192.3$$

Part c. 4 points

Find the following:

$$Q1: f_r = \frac{158 \text{ GHz}}{386 \text{ Hz}}$$
$$Q3: f_r = \frac{90.3 \text{ GHz}}{C_{bel}}$$

$$Q1 \quad C_{6e} = C_{je} + g_s T_f = 386 \text{ fF}$$

$$T_f = \frac{g_m}{2\pi(C_{se} + C_{os})} = 158 \text{ GHz}$$

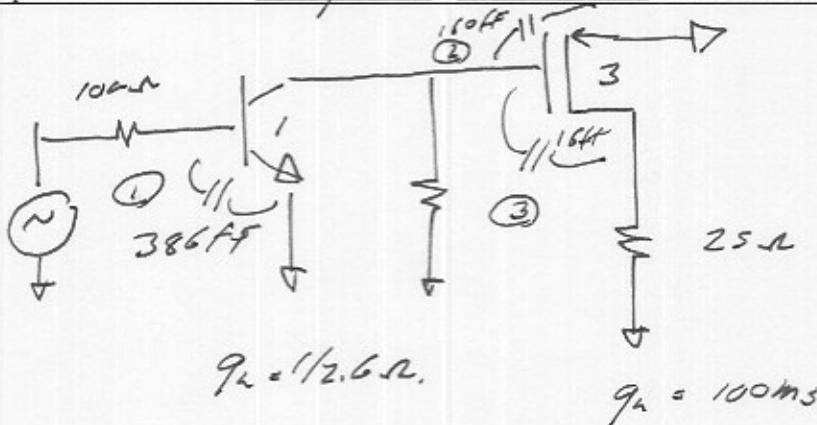
$$Q3: T_f = \frac{g_m}{2\pi(C_{gs} + C_{gd})} = 90.3 \text{ GHz}$$

Part d. 12 points

Using MOTC, you will find the frequency, in Hz (not rad/sec), of the *two* major poles in the transfer function.

capacitor 1:	capacitor 2:	capacitor 3:
$R_{11}^0 = 100\Omega$	$R_{22}^0 = 50\Omega$	$R_{33}^0 = 200\Omega$
$R_{22}^1 = 50\Omega$	$R_{33}^1 = 200\Omega$	$R_{33}^2 = 25\Omega$
$f_{p1} = 4.14 \text{ GHz}$	$f_{p2} = 13.4 \text{ GHz}$	

capacitor 1 is the capacitance between base & emitter of transistor Q<sub>1</sub>  
 capacitor 2 is the capacitance between gate & source of transistor Q<sub>3</sub>  
 capacitor 3 is the capacitance between gate & drain of transistor Q<sub>3</sub>



$$R_{11}^0 = 100\Omega \quad R_{11}^0 C_1 = 38.6 \mu\text{s}$$

$$R_{22}^0 = 50\Omega \quad R_{22}^0 C_2 = 50\Omega \cdot 160 \text{ fF} = 8\mu\text{s}$$

$$R_{33}^0 = 50\Omega (1 + 25\Omega \cdot 100\text{ms}) + 25\Omega = 200\Omega$$

$$R_{33}^0 C_3 = 200\Omega \cdot 16 \text{ fF} = 3.2 \mu\text{s}$$

$$R_{22}' = R_{22}^0 = 50\Omega \quad R_{11}^0 C_1 C_2 R_{22}' = 3.1 (10^{-22}) \text{ sec}^2$$

$$R_{33}' = R_{33}^0 = 200\Omega \quad R_{11}^0 C_1 C_2 R_{33}' = 1.23 (10^{-22}) \text{ sec}^2$$

$$R_{33}' = 25\Omega \quad R_{11}^0 C_1 C_2 R_{33}' = 1.54 (10^{-23}) \text{ sec}^2$$

$$a_1 = 49.8 \text{ ps}$$

$$a_2 = 4.49 (10^{-22}) \text{ sec}^2 = (z_{1,2} \text{ ps})^2$$

SPN does not work because  $|a_2| \sim a_1$

$$1 + a_1 s_p + a_2 s_p^2 = 0$$

$$s_p = -a_1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{a_1^2 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot a_2}}{2 \cdot a_2}$$

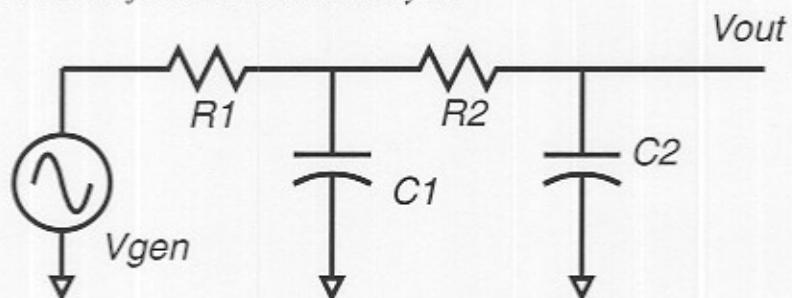
$$= -8.456 (10^{10}) \text{ sec}^{-t} \text{ and}$$

$$2.636 (10^{10}) \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

$$f_p = 13.44 \text{ GHz and } 4.19 \text{ GHz.}$$

**Problem 2: 10 points**

*method of time constants analysis*



$$R_1 = 1 \text{ KOhm}, R_2 = 2 \text{kOhm} \quad C_1 = 1 \text{ fF} \quad C_2 = 0.5 \text{ fF}$$

Using MOTC, find the transfer function  $V_{out}(s)/V_{gen}(s)$ . Give the answer in standard form

$$\frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{gen}(s)} = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{gen}} \Big|_{DC} \frac{1 + b_1 s + b_2 s^2 + \dots}{1 + a_1 s + a_2 s^2 + \dots}$$

HINT:  $b_1 = 0 = b_2 = b_3 = \dots$

$$R_{11}^0 = \frac{1 \text{ k}\Omega}{1 \text{ k}\Omega}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{gen}} \Big|_{DC} = \frac{1}{1}$$

$$R_{22}^0 = \frac{3 \text{ k}\Omega}{2.5 \text{ ps}}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{2.5 \text{ ps}}{10^{-24} \text{ sec}^2}$$

$$R_{22}^1 = \frac{2 \text{ k}\Omega}{10^{-24} \text{ sec}^2}$$

$$R_{11}^0 = R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_{22}^0 = R_1 + R_2 = 3 \text{ k}\Omega$$

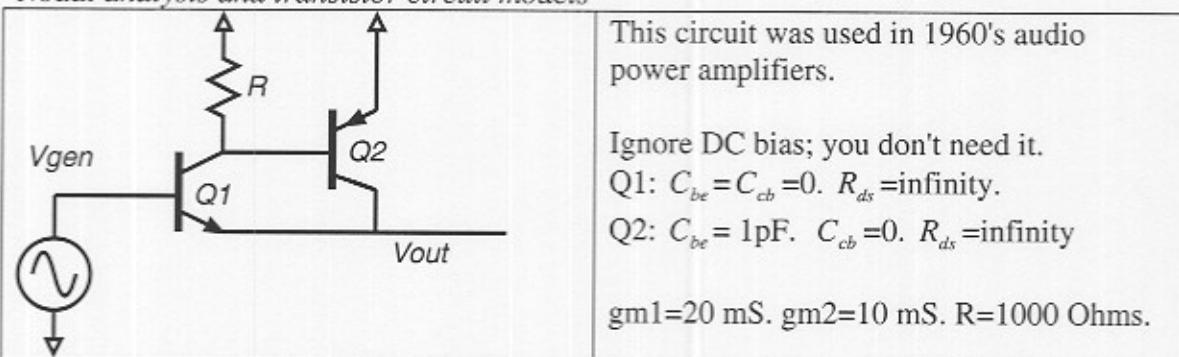
$$R_{22}' = R_2 = 2 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$a_1 = R_{11}^0 C_1 + R_{22}^0 C_2 = 2.5 \text{ ps}$$

$$a_2 = R_{11}^0 C_1 C_2 R_{22}' = 10^{-24} \text{ sec}^2$$

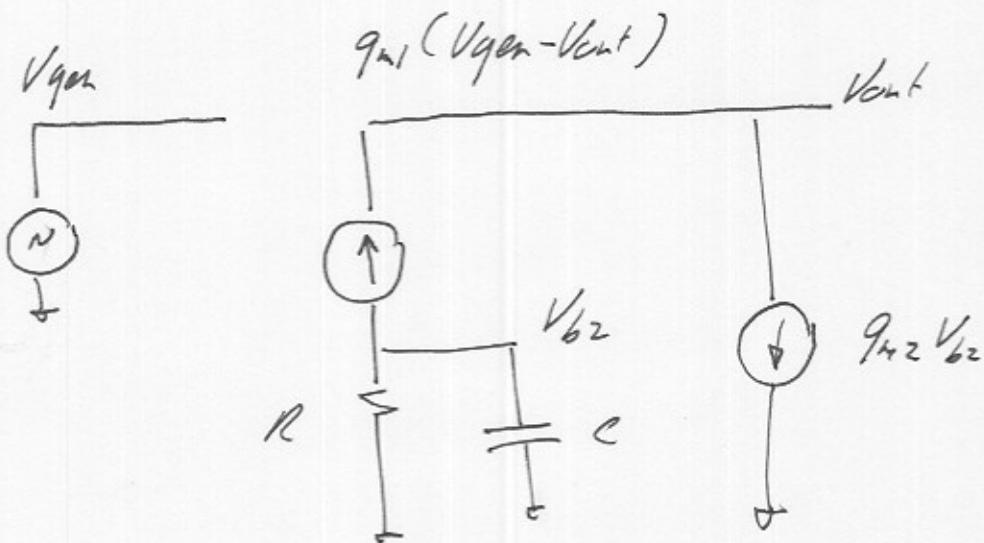
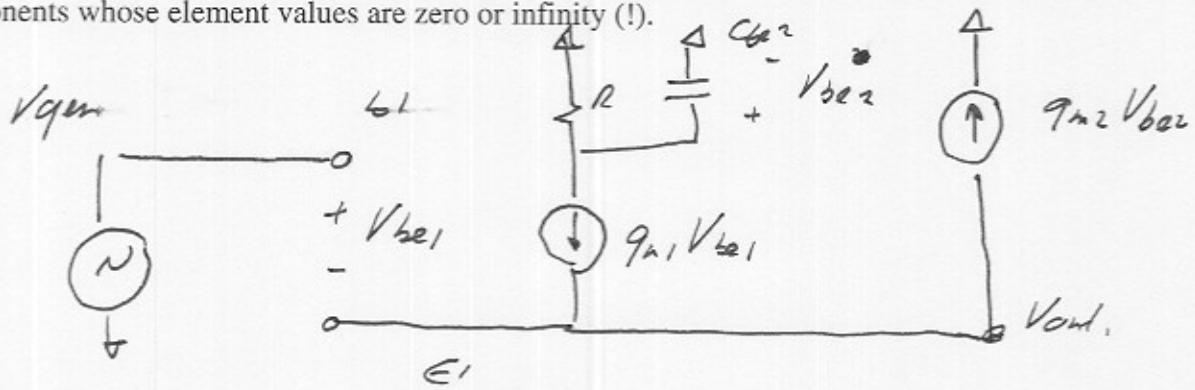
**Problem 3 30 points**

*Nodal analysis and transistor circuit models*



Part a, 10 points

Draw an accurate small-signal equivalent circuit model of the circuit above. Do not show components whose element values are zero or infinity (!).



Part b, 20 points

Using NODAL ANALYSIS, find the transfer function  $V_{out}(s)/V_{gen}(s)$ .

The answer must be in standard form  $\frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{gen}(s)} = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{gen}} \Big|_{DC} \frac{1 + b_1 s + b_2 s^2 + \dots}{1 + a_1 s + a_2 s^2 + \dots}$

$$\frac{V_{out}}{V_{gen}} \Big|_{DC} = \frac{1}{0}, \quad a_1 = 0, \quad a_2 = 0 \\ b_1 = 0, \quad b_2 = 0$$

(note that  $a_3, a_4, \dots, b_3, b_4, \dots$  are all zero)

$$\sum I = 0 \quad @ \quad V_{b2} \\ g_{m1} (V_{gen} - V_{out}) + V_{b2} (V_R + \Delta C) = 0 \\ V_{out} (-g_{m1}) + V_{b2} (V_R + \Delta C) = -g_{m1} V_{gen}.$$

$$\sum I = 0 \quad @ \quad V_{out} \\ g_{m1} (V_{out} - V_{gen}) + V_{b2} \cdot g_{m2} = 0 \\ V_{out} (g_{m1}) + V_{b2} g_{m2} = g_{m1} V_{gen}.$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -g_{n1} & uR + Sc \\ g_{n1} & g_{n2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_{out} \\ V_{in} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P - g_{n1} \\ g_{n1} \end{bmatrix} V_{ga}$$

$$V_{out}/V_{ga} = N/D \quad \text{where}$$

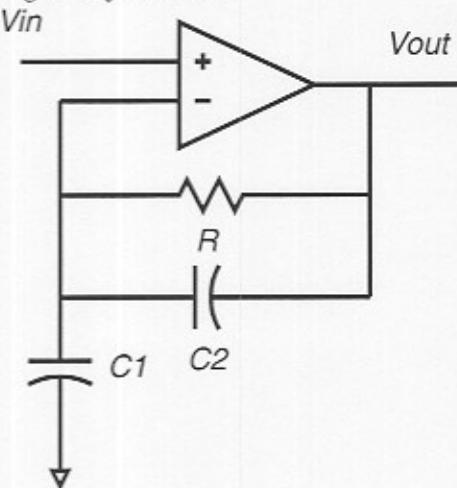
$$N = \begin{vmatrix} -g_{n1} & uR + Sc \\ g_{n1} & g_{n2} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} -g_{n1} & uR + Sc \\ g_{n1} & g_{n2} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$V_{out}/V_{ga} = 1$$

**Problem 4, 20 points**

*negative feedback*



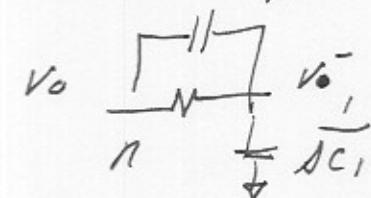
The amplifier has a differential gain of  $10^5$ .  $R=1$  kOhm,  $C_2=100 \text{ pF}$ ,  $C_1=25 \text{ pF}$ . The op-amp has infinite differential input impedance and zero differential output impedance.

The differential amplifier has 1 pole in its open-loop transfer function at 1000 Hz, and one pole at 50 MHz.

$$C = 1 \text{nF}$$

Using the Bode plot on the next page, plot the open-loop gain ( $A_d$  or  $A_{ol}$ ), the inverse of the feedback factor ( $1/\beta$ ), closed loop gain ( $A_{CL}$ ), and determine the following:

Loop bandwidth =  $20 \text{MHz}$  phase margin =  $54^\circ$   
 Vout/Vgen at DC =  $1/AC_2$



$$V_o^- (AC_2 + AC_1 + G) + V_o (-G - AC_2) = 0$$

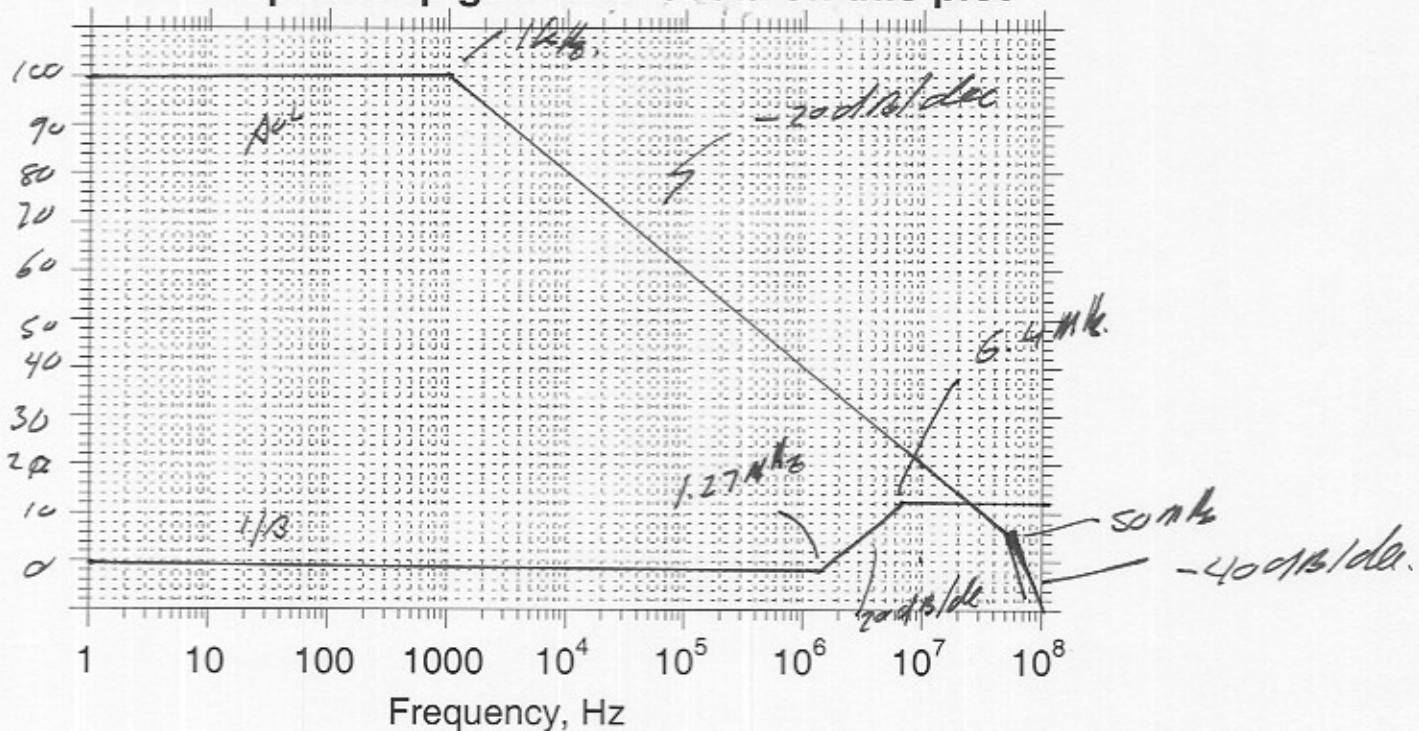
$$\rightarrow \beta(\omega) = \frac{V_o}{V_i^-} = \frac{G + AC_2}{G + AC_1 + AC_2} = \frac{1 + AC_2 R}{1 + AC_2 R + AC_1 R}$$

$$= \frac{1 + j \frac{1}{f_p} \beta}{1 + j \frac{1}{f_l} \beta}, \quad f_p \beta = 6.36 \text{ MHz} \\ f_l \beta = 1.27 \text{ MHz}$$

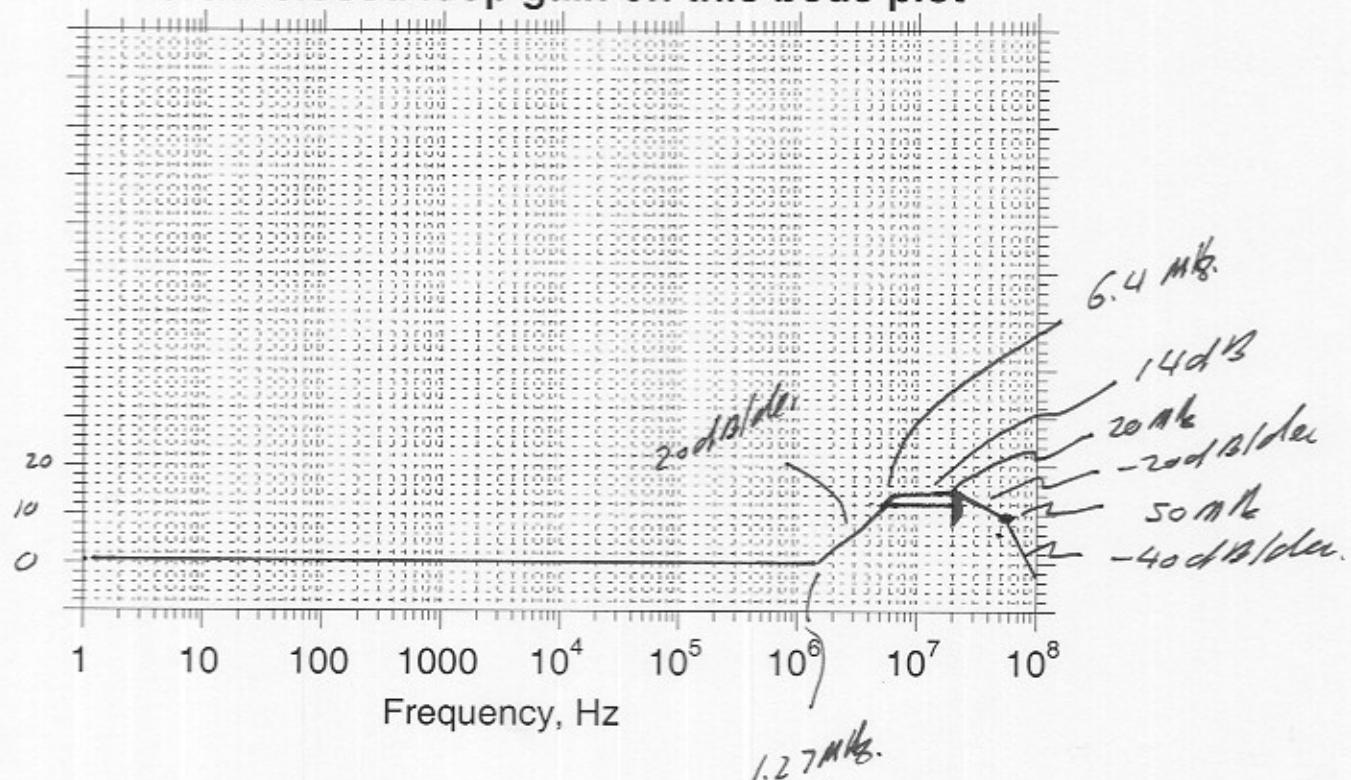
$$\begin{aligned} \rho_m &= 180 - \arctan(20 \text{MHz}/1 \text{ kHz}) - \arctan(20 \text{MHz}/1.27 \text{ MHz}) \\ &\quad + \arctan(20 \text{MHz}/6.36 \text{ MHz}) - \arctan(20 \text{MHz}/50 \text{ kHz}) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 54.2^\circ$$

**Draw open loop gain and 1/beta on this plot**



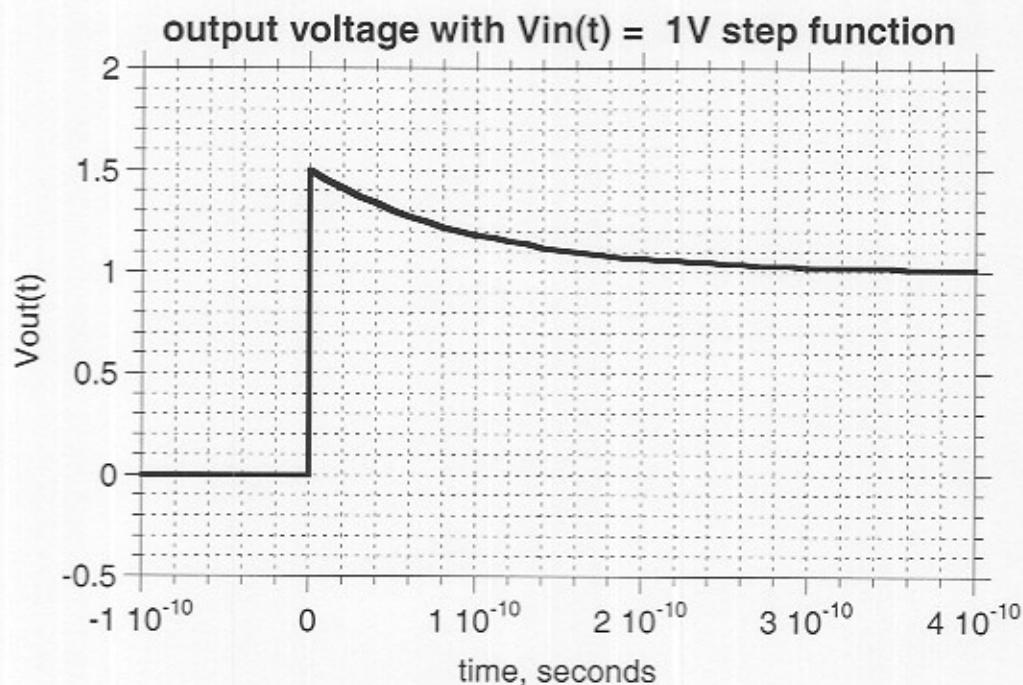
**draw closed loop gain on this bode plot**



**Problem 5: 15 points**  
*transfer functions*

Part a. 7 points

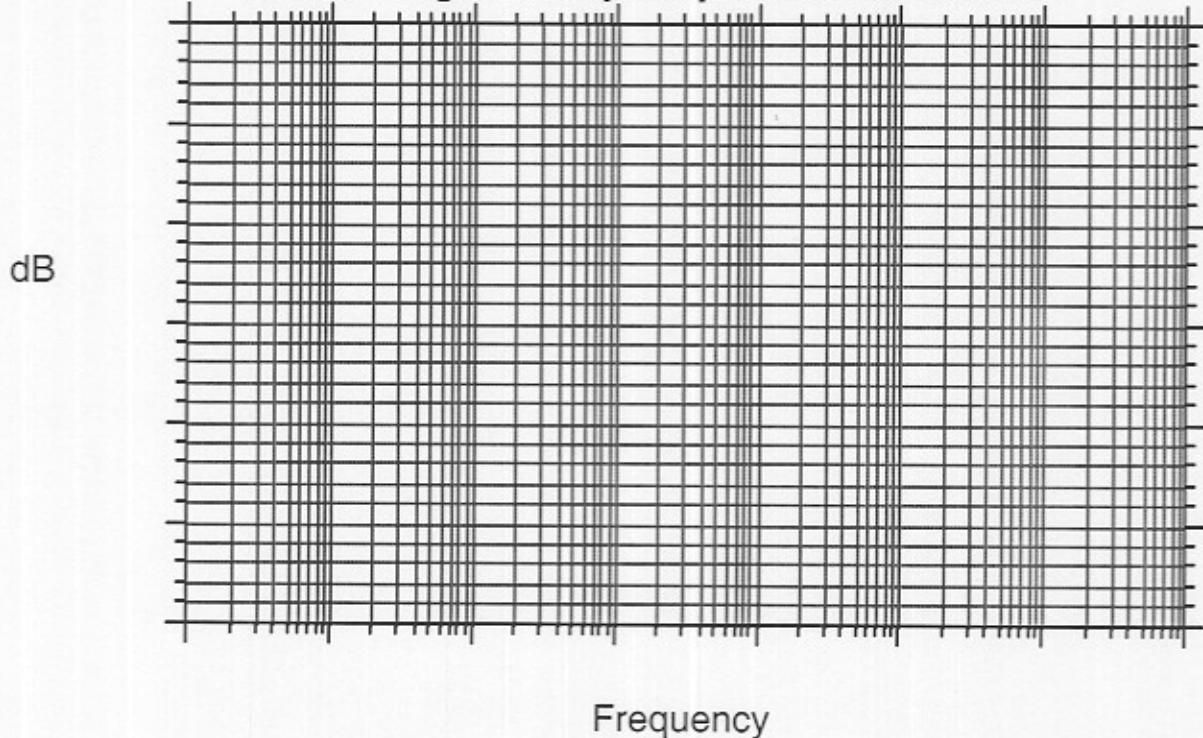
A transistor circuit has a step response (input is a 1-V step function) as shown.



identify all pole and zero frequencies in the transfer function

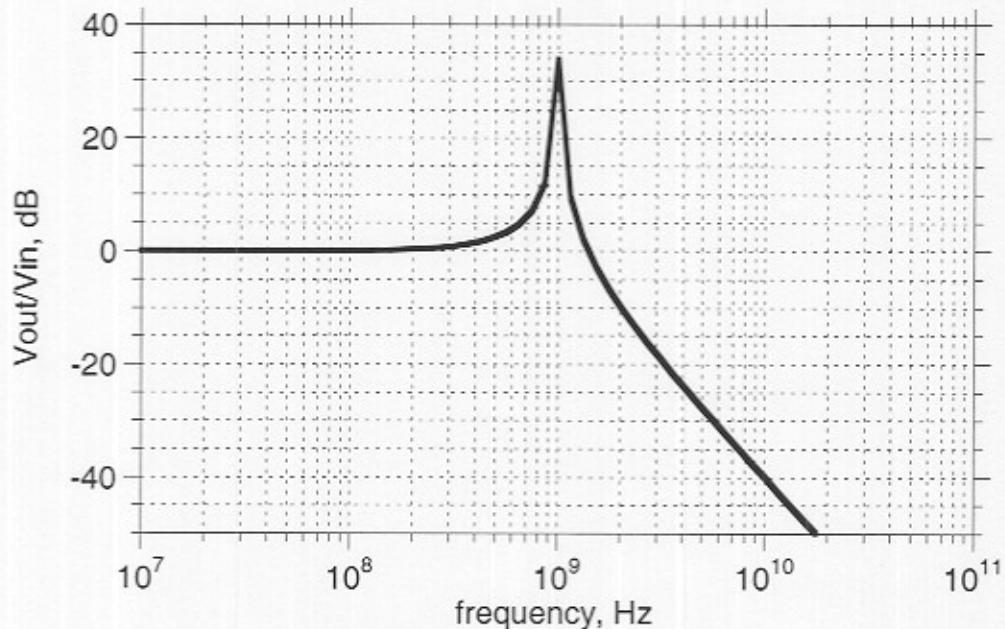
Draw a Bode Plot (Straight-line asymptotes) of the circuit transfer function  $V_{out}/V_{gen}$ , labeling all pole and zero frequencies and labeling the slopes of all asymptotes.

### Bode Magnitude plot-please label axes



Part b, 8 points

Another transistor circuit has a frequency response as shown.



Identify the frequency of all significant poles in the transfer function.

\_\_\_\_\_ Hz, \_\_\_\_\_ Hz, (etc)

If the poles are complex, please give the damping factor \_\_\_\_\_

Draw the output voltage given that the input is a 1-V step function. Clearly label and dimension the axes, and show and label clearly all key features of the waveform.

