

## ECE137B Final Exam

There are 5 problems on this exam and you have 3 hours  
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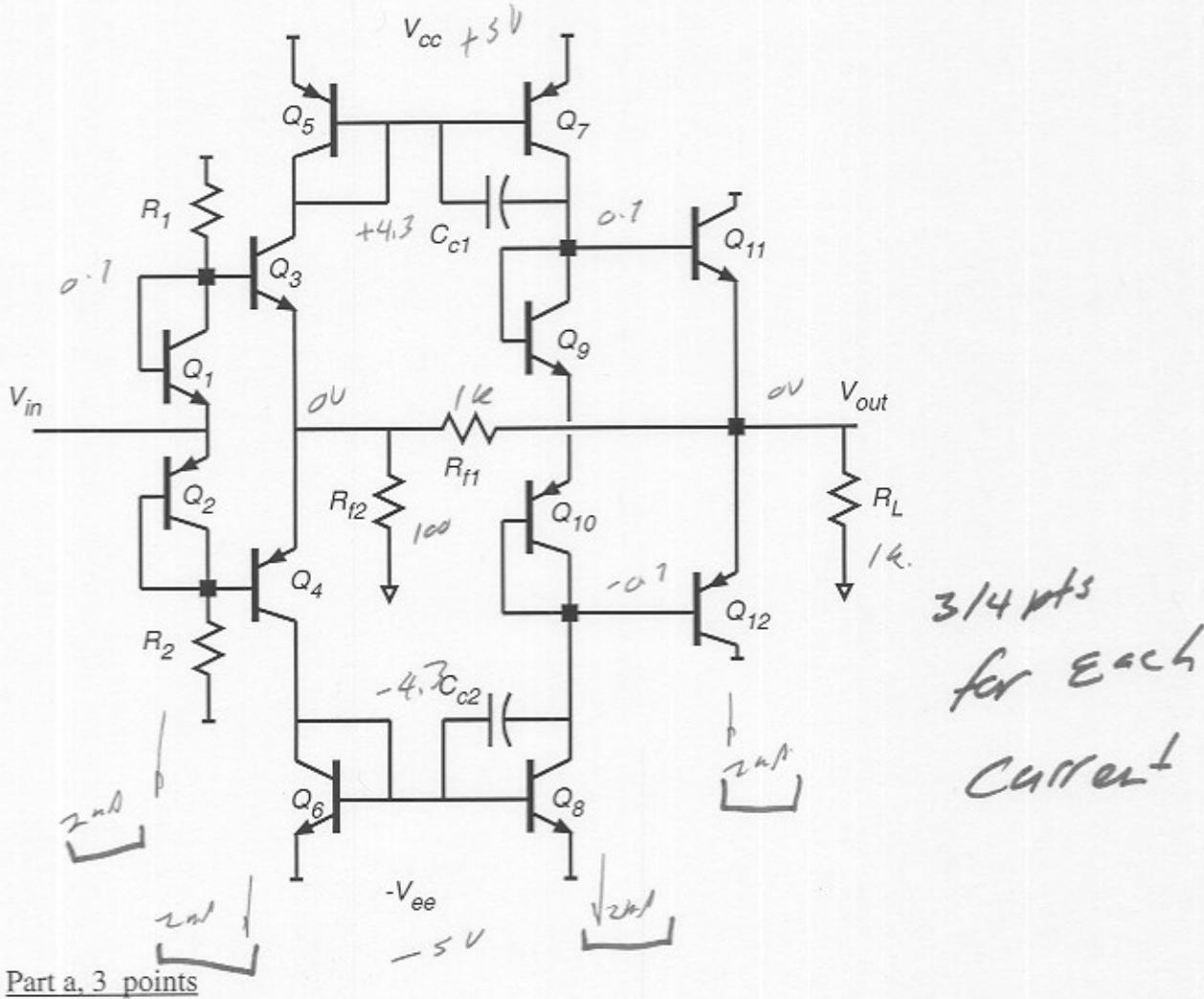
| Time function                               | LaPlace Transform   |
|---|---|
| $\delta(t)$                                 | 1   |
| $U(t)$                                      | $1/s$   |
| $e^{-\alpha t} \cdot U(t)$                  | $\frac{1}{s + \alpha}$ or $\frac{1/\alpha}{1 + s/\alpha}$ |
| $e^{-\alpha t} \cos(\omega_d t) \cdot U(t)$ | $\frac{s + \alpha}{(s + \alpha)^2 + \omega_d^2}$          |
| $e^{-\alpha t} \sin(\omega_d t) \cdot U(t)$ | $\frac{\omega_d}{(s + \alpha)^2 + \omega_d^2}$            |

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| Problem | points | possible | Problem | points | possible |
|---------|--------|----------|---------|--------|----------|
| 1a      |        | 3        | 2       |        | 10       |
| 1b      |        | 2        | 3a      |        | 7        |
| 1c      |        | 8        | 3b      |        | 13       |
| 1d      |        | 5        | 4a      |        | 10       |
| 1e      |        | 12       | 4b      |        | 5        |
| 1f      |        | 5        | 5a      |        | 5        |
| 1g      |        | 5        | 5b      |        | 5        |
|         |        |          | 5c      |        | 5        |

**Problem 1, 40 points**

*method of first-order and second-order time constants, some feedback theory*



Find all transistor DC emitter currents, find all node voltages. Make these on the circuit diagram.

|  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| $\beta$ : infinity, for all transistors.   |                                       |
| Va=200 V for Q7 and Q8   | Va=infinity for all other transistors |
| $C_{cb}$ = zero, for all transistors.  | $C_{c1} = C_{c2} = 5 \text{ fF}$      |
| $\tau_f = 1 \text{ ps}$ and $C_{je} = 5 \text{ fF}$ for Q7, Q8, Q11, Q12.                        |                                       |
| $\tau_f = 0 \text{ ps}$ and $C_{je} = 0 \text{ fF}$ for all other transistors                    |                                       |
| All transistors have identical $I_s$ , the DC component of $V_{in}$ is zero volts                |                                       |
| The supplies are +/- 5 Volts. $Rf1=1 \text{ kOhm}$ , $Rf2=100 \text{ Ohm}$ , $RL=1 \text{ kOhm}$ |                                       |
| $R1=R2$ : select their value so that the DC emitter currents in Q1 and Q2 are 2 mA               |                                       |

$$R_1 = R_2 = \frac{5 - 0.7V}{2mA} = \frac{4.3V}{2mA} = 2.15k\Omega$$

Part b. 2 points  
 small signal parameters

Find the following:

|     | $r_e = 1/g_m$ | $R_{be}$ | $R_{ce}$ | $C_{be}$ | $C_{cb}$ | $f_T$ |
|-----|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------|
| Q1  | 13 n          | oo       | oo       | 0        |          | oo    |
| Q3  |               |          | oo       | 0        |          | oo    |
| Q5  |               |          | oo       | 0        |          | oo    |
| Q7  |               |          | 100k     | 82fF     |          | 1496K |
| Q9  |               |          | oo       | ~        |          | oo    |
| Q11 |               |          | oo       | 82fF     |          | 1496K |

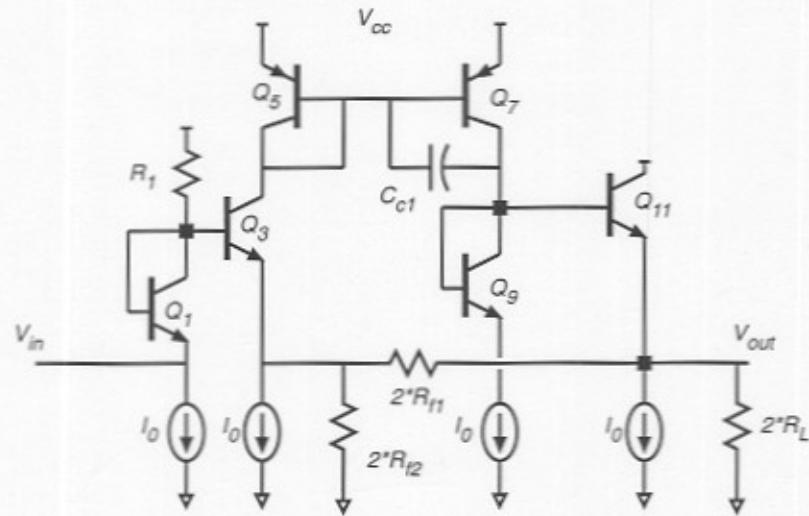
$$1 \left[ C_{ce} = C_{je} + g_m T_f = 5fF + \frac{10^5}{13n} = 82fF \right]$$

$$1 \left[ f_T = \frac{g_m}{2\pi(C_{ce} + C_b)} = 149 \text{ GHz} \right]$$

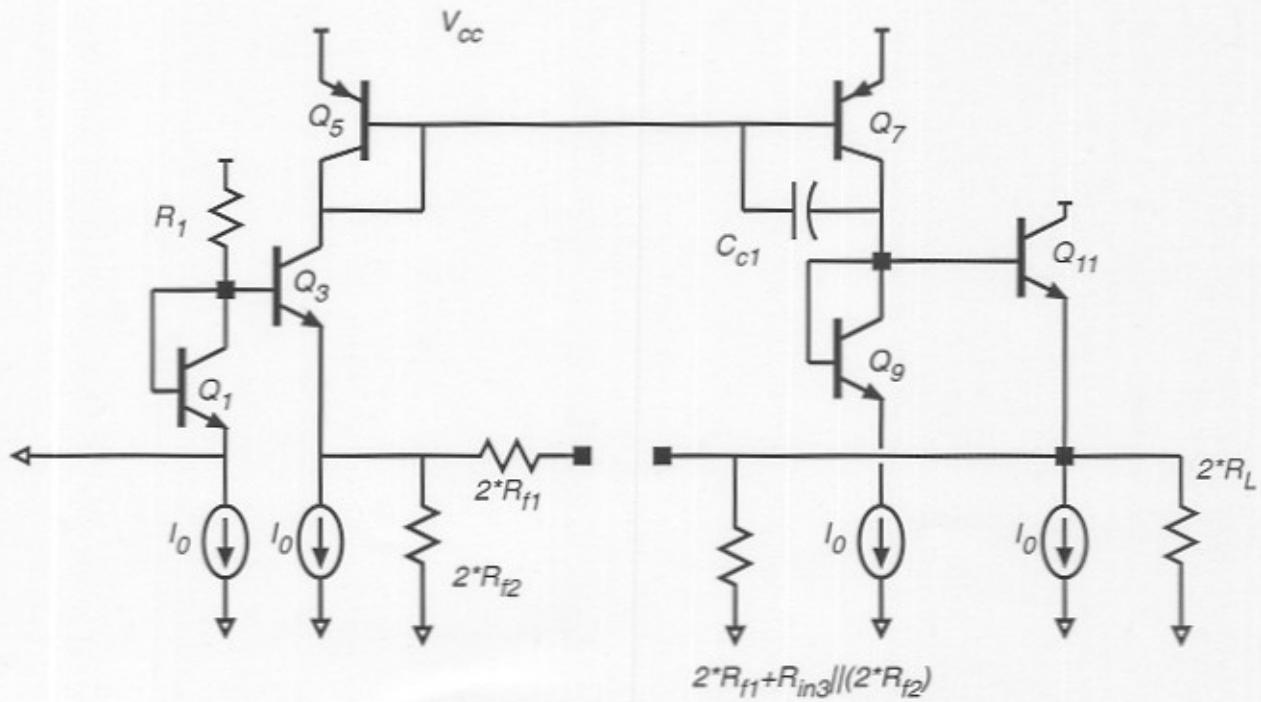
Part c, 8 points  
mid-band analysis

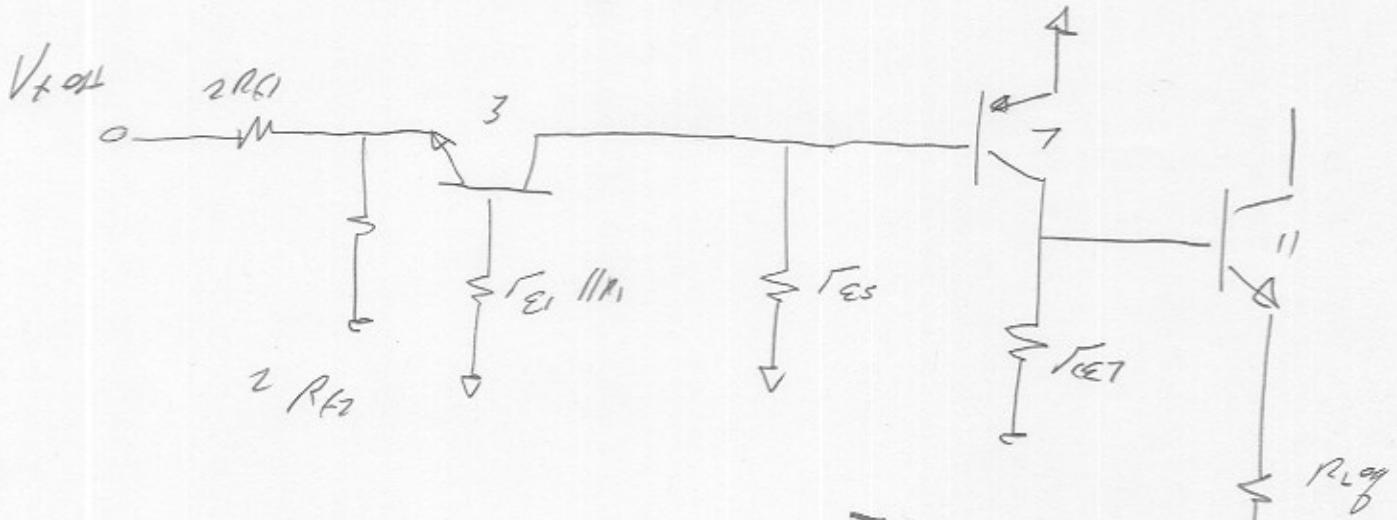
Find the low-frequency loop transmission:  
 $T(f=0 \text{ Hz}) = \underline{\underline{46.11}}$

To do this, you must make 2 changes to the circuit. First, the circuit is symmetric, and can be thus simplified, where  $I_o$  is the value of the DC current in  $R_1$ .



Second, you need to cut the feedback loop, thus, to find the loop transmission





~~$$Q_{11 \text{ CE}} \quad Av = \frac{1k\Omega}{1k\Omega + 13} = 0.98717 \quad ] 1$$~~

T. V\_{Tout}

~~$$Q_{11 \text{ CE}} \quad Av = \frac{r_{ce1}}{r_{e1}} = \frac{100k\Omega}{13} = 7700 \quad ] 2 \quad \begin{aligned} R_{load} &= 2R_E1 \\ &= (2R_E1 + R_{e2}/2k\Omega) \\ &= 1k\Omega \end{aligned}$$~~

Q3: CS

~~$$2 \left[ Av = \frac{R_{load}}{r_e} = \frac{r_{ce3}}{r_{ce2}} = 1, \quad r_{ce3} = 13\Omega. \right.$$~~

Feedback network.

~~$$2 \left[ \frac{t_{erm}}{r_{ce3} || 2R_E2} = \frac{13 || 200}{13 || 200 + 2000} = 0.0060667 \right]$$~~

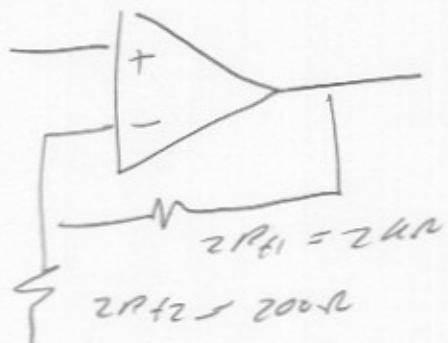
$$\text{Loop transmission} = 0.98717 \cdot 7700 \cdot 1 \cdot 0.0060667 = \underline{\underline{46.11}} \quad ] 1$$

Part d, 5 points  
feedback theory

At low frequencies, what is the closed-loop gain  $V_{out}/V_{in}$  ?

$$V_{out}/V_{in} = \underline{10.766}$$

2.  $A_{cl} = A_{oc} \frac{T}{1+T}$        $T = \frac{46.11}{\text{at DC}}$



$$\Rightarrow A_{oc} = \frac{2k + 200}{200} = 11 \quad [2]$$

$$[A_{cl} = 11 \cdot \frac{46.11}{46.11 + 1} = 10.766]$$

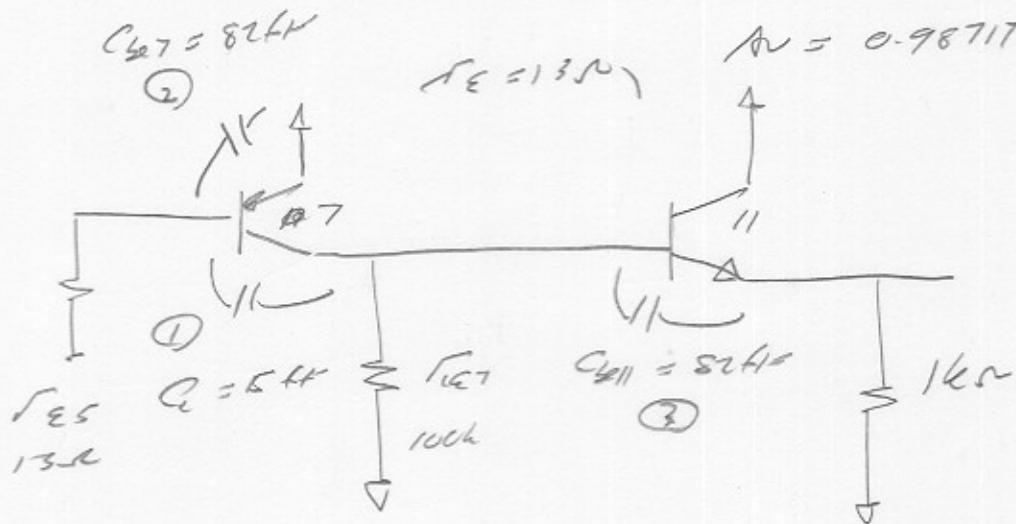
Part e, 12 points

motc

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:             |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| $R_{11}^0 = 200k\Omega$    | $R_{22}^0 = 13\Omega$      | $R_{33}^0 = 1296\Omega$  |
| $R_{22}^1 = 6.5 \Omega$    | $R_{33}^1 = 13.0 \Omega$   | $R_{33}^2 = 1296 \Omega$ |
| $f_{p1} = 262 \text{ MHz}$ | $f_{p2} = 825 \text{ GHz}$ |                          |

capacitor 1 is the compensation capacitance  
 capacitor 2 is the capacitance between base & emitter of transistor Q<sub>1</sub>  
 capacitor 3 is the capacitance between " & " of transistor Q<sub>II</sub>



$$1 \left[ r_{11}^0 = 13\Omega(1 - Av_1) + R_{a1} = 13\Omega(1 + 7700) + 100k\Omega \right. \\ \left. = 200k\Omega \right]$$

$$1 \left[ r_{22}^0 = 13\Omega \right]$$

$$1 \left[ r_{33}^0 = 100k\Omega(1 - Av_{II}) + R_{aII} = 1.284k\Omega + 13\Omega = 1296\Omega \right]$$

$$1 \left[ q_1 = r_{11}^0 g_1 + r_{22}^0 g_2 + r_{33}^0 g_3 = 100k\Omega(5.65) + 13\Omega(82fF) \right. \\ \left. + 1296\Omega(82fF) \right]$$

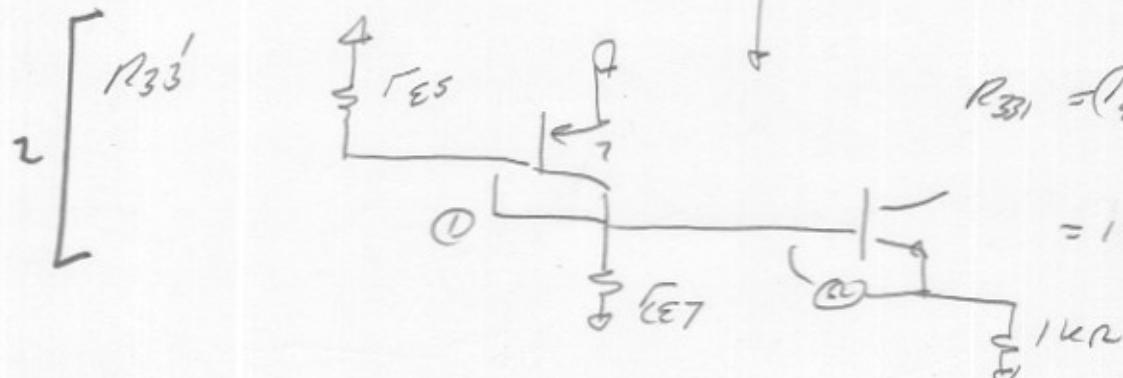
$$1 \left[ q_1 = 500\text{ps} + 1.06\text{ps} + 107\text{ps} = \underline{\underline{607\text{ps}}} \right]$$



$$R_{22}' = R_{E5} // R_{E7} // R_{E7}$$

$$= 13 // 13 // 100k$$

$$= 6.5\Omega.$$



$$R_{33} = (R_{E5} // R_{E7} // R_{E7}) (1 - \Delta_{11})$$

$$+ R_{E1} // 1k\Omega$$

$$= 13\Omega (1 - 0.98777)$$

$$+ 13 // 1k\Omega$$

$$= 0.166\Omega + 12.8$$

$$= 13.0\Omega$$

$$2 \left[ R_{23}^2 = R_{22}^0 \text{ by inspection!} \right]$$

$$1 \left[ g_2 = R_{11}^0 C_1 C_2 R_{22}' + R_{11}^0 C_1 C_3 R_{33}' + R_{22}^0 C_2 C_3 R_{33}^2 \right]$$

$$= 200k\Omega (5fF) (87fF) \cdot 6.5\Omega + 200k\Omega (5fF) 82fF \cdot 13\Omega$$

$$+ 13\Omega \cdot 82fF \cdot 82fF \cdot 1270\Omega$$

$$= 5.33 \cdot 10^{-25} + 1.06 \cdot 10^{-21} \text{ sec}^2 + 1.13 (10^{-22}) \text{ sec}^2$$

$$= 1.17 (10^{-21}) \text{ sec}^2$$

$$1 \left[ \frac{\text{cuse SPA}}{\text{cuse SPA}} \quad f_{p1} = \frac{1}{2\pi g_1} = \underline{\underline{262 \text{ MHz}}} \quad \right] \text{ SPA ok.}$$

$$f_{p2} = \frac{g_2}{2\pi g_2} = 92.5 \text{ GHz} \quad \left. \right\}$$

46.11  
262 mHz  
82.56 Hz

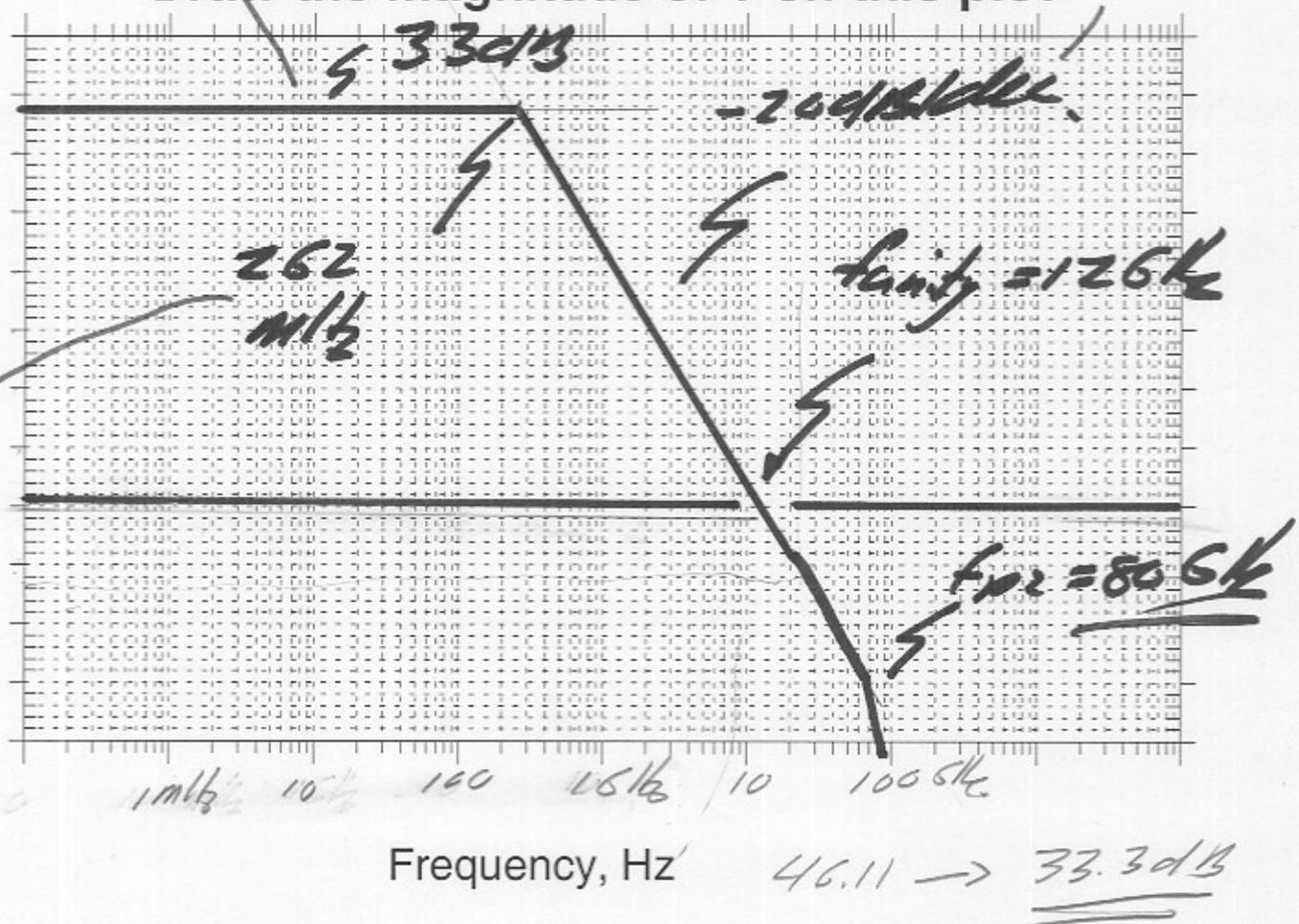
Part f, 5 points

Make accurate asymptotic plots of T. Find the phase margin and the loop bandwidth.  
 Phase margin = 81.7° Loop bandwidth = 17.16 Hz

1/2pt

Draw the magnitude of T on this plot

1pt



1pt  $F_{\text{unity}} = 46.11 \cdot 262 \text{ mHz} = 12.1 \text{ GHz}$

1/2 pt  $\angle T = -90^\circ (\text{pole 1}) - \arctan(12.1 \text{ GHz} / 82.56 \text{ Hz})$   
 $= -90 - 8.33^\circ$

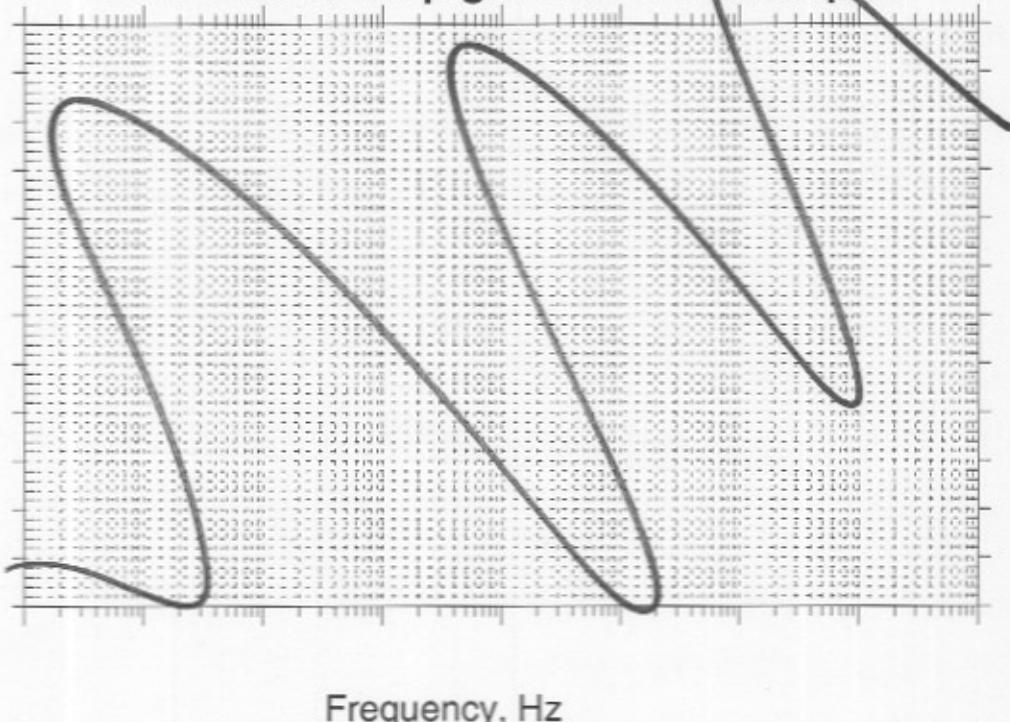
1pt  $\text{Phase margin} = 90 - 8.33 = 81.7^\circ$

Part g, 5 points

What is the gain and bandwidth of the closed-loop amplifier ?

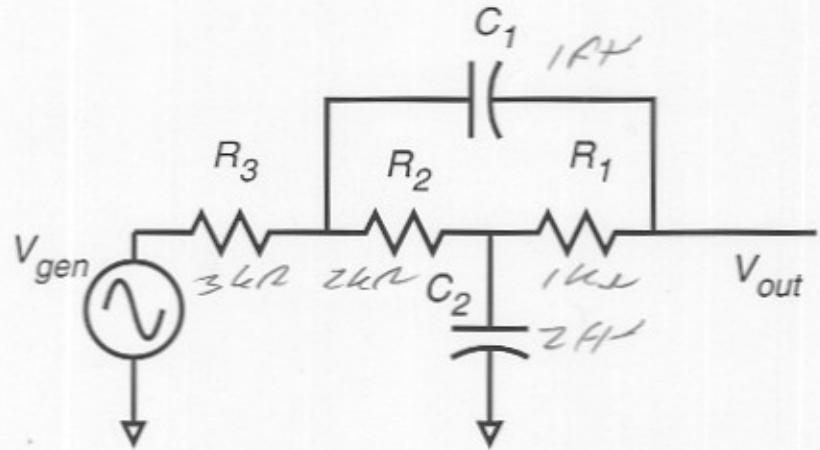
low frequency Vout/Vgen= 10.8 bandwidth of Vout/Vgen= 126.8 3

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



Frequency, Hz

Problem 2: 10 points  
method of time constants analysis



$$R_1 = 1 \text{ k}\Omega, R_2 = 2 \text{ k}\Omega, R_3 = 3 \text{ k}\Omega, C_1 = 1 \text{ fF}, C_2 = 2 \text{ fF}$$

Using MOTC, find the coefficients  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  of transfer function  $V_{out}(s)/V_{gen}(s)$ , given a

$$\text{transfer function in the standard form } \frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{gen}(s)} = \left. \frac{V_{out}}{V_{gen}} \right|_{DC} \frac{1 + b_1 s + b_2 s^2 + \dots}{1 + a_1 s + a_2 s^2 + \dots}$$

$$R_{11}^0 = \frac{3 \text{ k}\Omega}{R_1 + R_2 + R_3} = \frac{3 \text{ k}\Omega}{6 \text{ k}\Omega} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$R_{22}^0 = \frac{5 \text{ k}\Omega}{R_2 + R_3} = \frac{5 \text{ k}\Omega}{5 \text{ k}\Omega} = 1$$

$$R_{22}^1 = \frac{3.67 \text{ k}\Omega}{(4.69 \text{ ps})^2} = 2.2 \times 10^{-23} \text{ sec}^2$$

$$R_{11}^0 = R_1 + R_2 = 3 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$R_{22}^0 = R_2 + R_3 = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$$

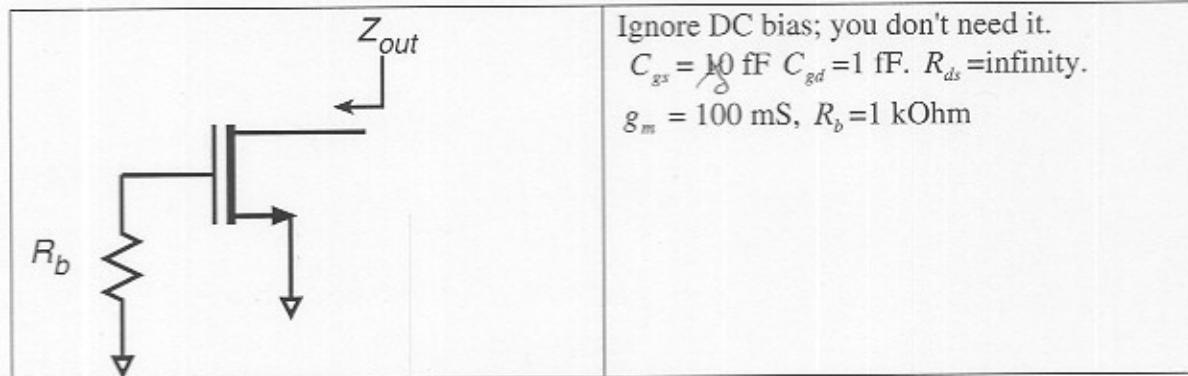
$$R_{22}^1 = R_3 + R_1 // R_2 = 3 \text{ k}\Omega + 2 \text{ k}\Omega // 1 \text{ k}\Omega = 3.67 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$a_1 = R_{11}^0 C_1 + R_{22}^0 C_2 = 3 \text{ k}\Omega \cdot 1 \text{ fF} + 5 \text{ k}\Omega \cdot 2 \text{ fF} = 13 \text{ ps}$$

$$a_2 = \cancel{R_{11}^0 R_{22}^0 C_1 C_2 R_{22}^1} = 3 \text{ k}\Omega \cdot 1 \text{ fF} \cdot 2 \text{ fF} \cdot 3.67 \text{ k}\Omega \\ = 2.2 \times 10^{-23} \text{ sec}^2 = (4.69 \text{ ps})^2$$

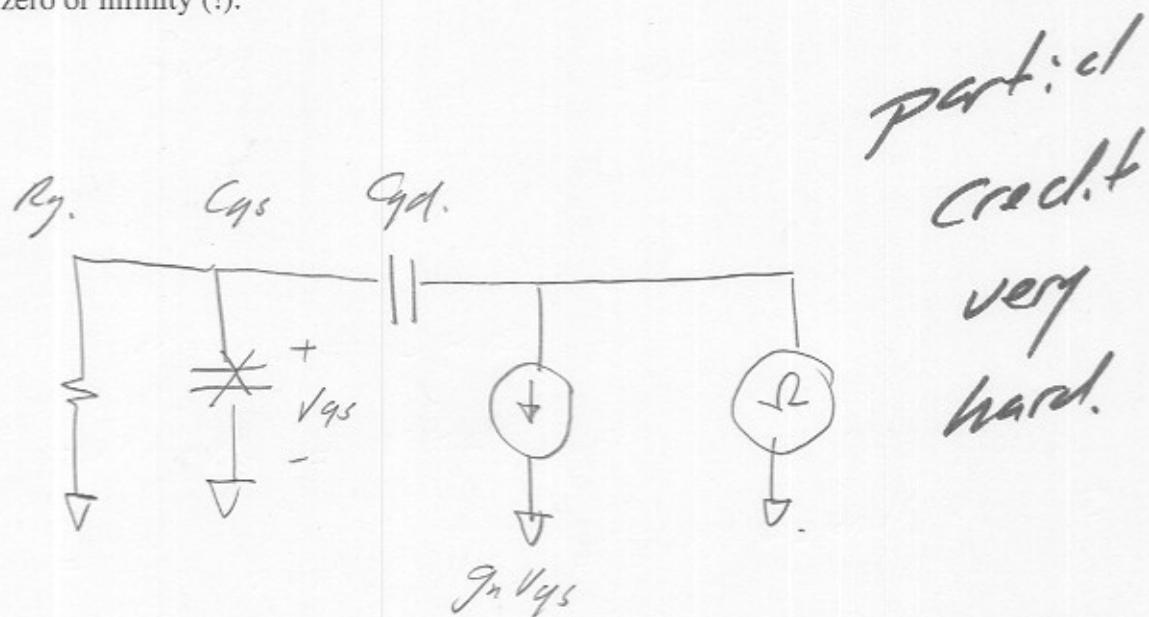
**Problem 3: 20 points**

*Nodal analysis and transistor circuit models*



Part a, 7 points

Draw an accurate small-signal equivalent circuit model of the circuit above. Represent the  $Z_{out}$  measurement by connecting an Ohm meter. Do not show components whose element values are zero or infinity (!).



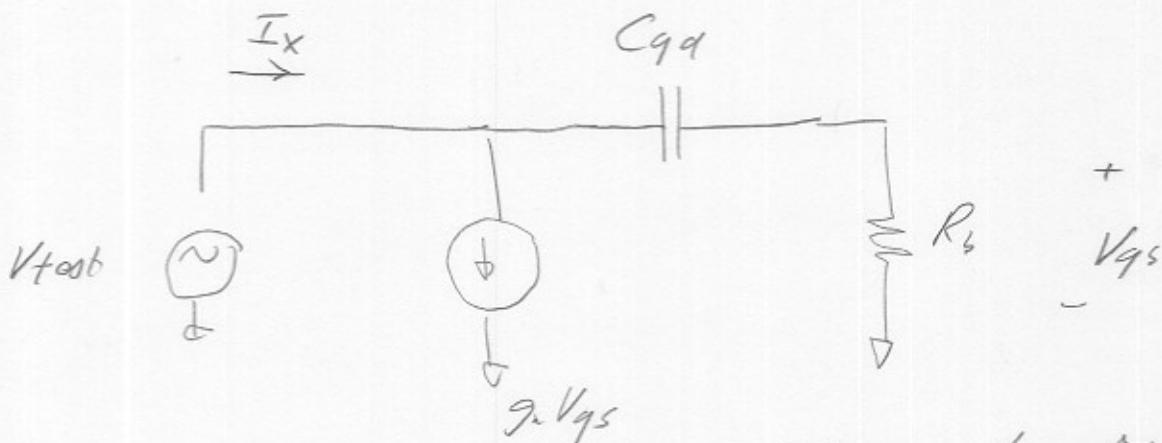
Part b, 13 points

Using NODAL ANALYSIS, find the frequency-dependent output impedance  $Z_{out}(s)$

The answer must be in standard form  $Z_{out}(s) = Z_1 * s^n * \frac{1 + b_1 s + b_2 s^2 + \dots}{1 + a_1 s + a_2 s^2 + \dots}$ ,

where  $n$  might be 0, 1, or 2, or -1 or -2

$$Z_{out}(s) = \underline{\hspace{10em}}$$



$$\text{by inspection: } V_{gs} = V_{test} \cdot \frac{AT}{1+AT} \quad \text{where } T = R_s \cdot C_{gd} = R \cdot C.$$

$$\frac{1}{Z_{out}} \cdot \frac{I_x}{V_{test}} = \frac{1}{R + 1/(sC_{gd})} + \frac{g_m AT}{1+AT} = \frac{AC}{1+AT} + \frac{g_m AT}{1+AT}$$

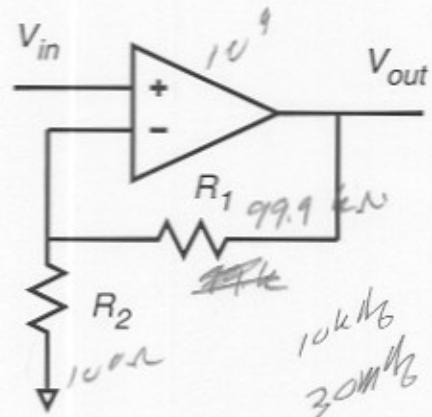
$$\frac{1}{Z_{out}} = \frac{AC + g_m AT}{1+AT} = \frac{AC + AC g_m R}{1+AT R} = \frac{AC(1+g_m R)}{1+AT R}$$

$$\boxed{Z_{out} = \frac{1+AT R}{AC(1+g_m R)} = \frac{1}{AC(1+g_m R)} (1+AT R)}$$

If by "Nodal Analysis", 6 pts for  $\sum I = 0$   
7 pts for answer.

**Problem 4, 15 points**  
*negative feedback*

part a, 10 points



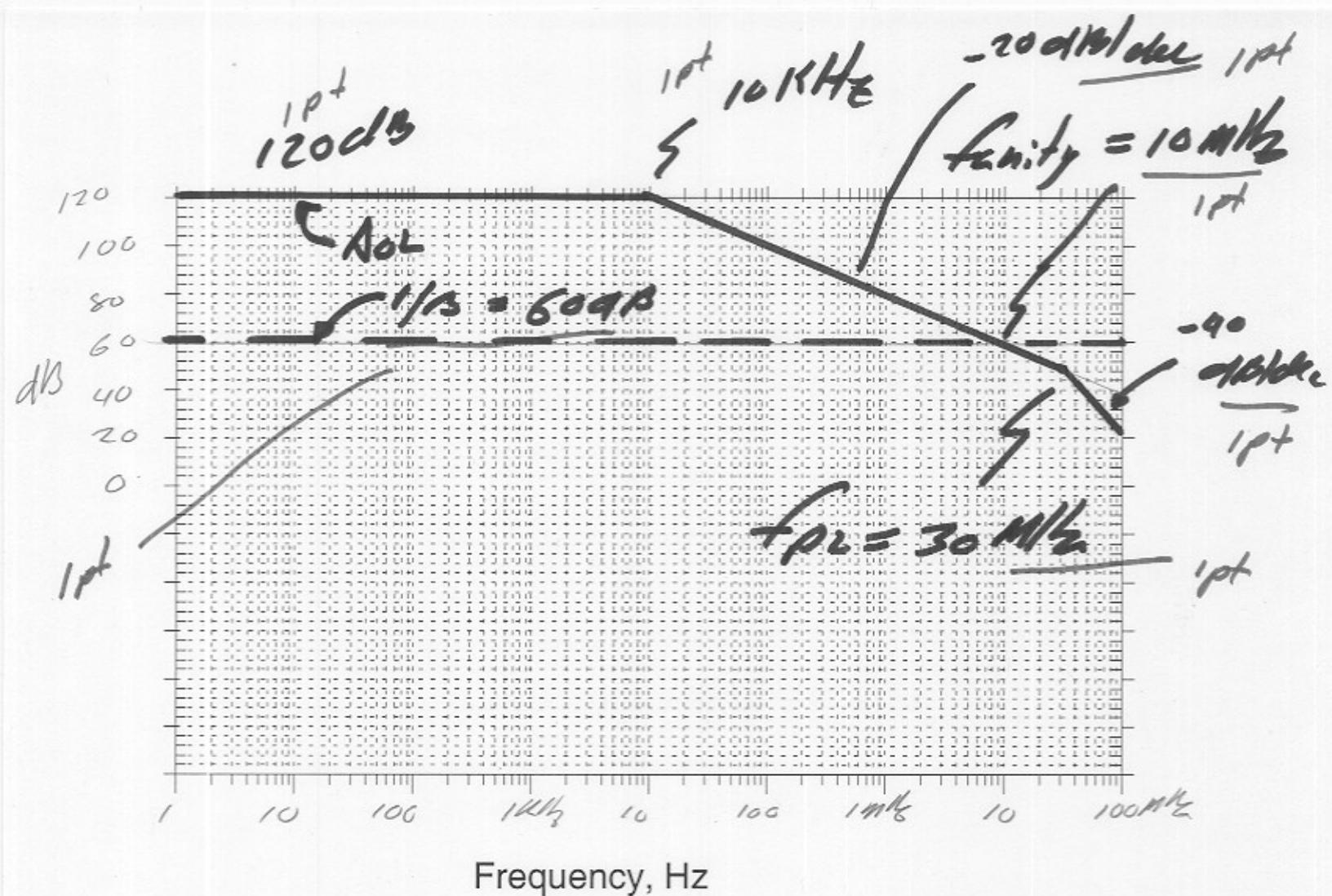
The amplifier has a differential gain of  $10^6$ .  
 R<sub>1</sub>=99.9 kOhm, R<sub>2</sub>=100 Ohm. The op-amp has infinite differential input impedance and zero differential output impedance.

The differential amplifier has 1 pole in its open-loop transfer function at 10 kHz, and one pole at 30 MHz.

Using the Bode plot on the next page, plot the open-loop gain ( $A_d$  or  $A_{oi}$ ), the inverse of the feedback factor ( $1/\beta$ ), closed loop gain ( $A_{CL}$ ). *Label all axes, slopes, pole/zero frequencies, etc.* Determine the following:

Loop bandwidth =  $10\text{kHz}$  phase margin =  $72^\circ$   
 Vout/Vgen at DC =  $\frac{1000}{1\text{pt}}$

$$\beta = \frac{100\text{k}}{100\text{ohm}} = 10^{-3} \Rightarrow -60\text{dB}$$



$$1st \begin{cases} f_{unity} = 10 \text{ mHz} \\ LT @ 10 \text{ mHz} = -90 - \arctan(10 \text{ mHz}/30 \text{ mHz}) \\ \quad \quad \quad = -90 - 18.45^\circ \\ \text{Phase margin} = 180 - 90 - 18.45^\circ = 71.6^\circ \end{cases}$$

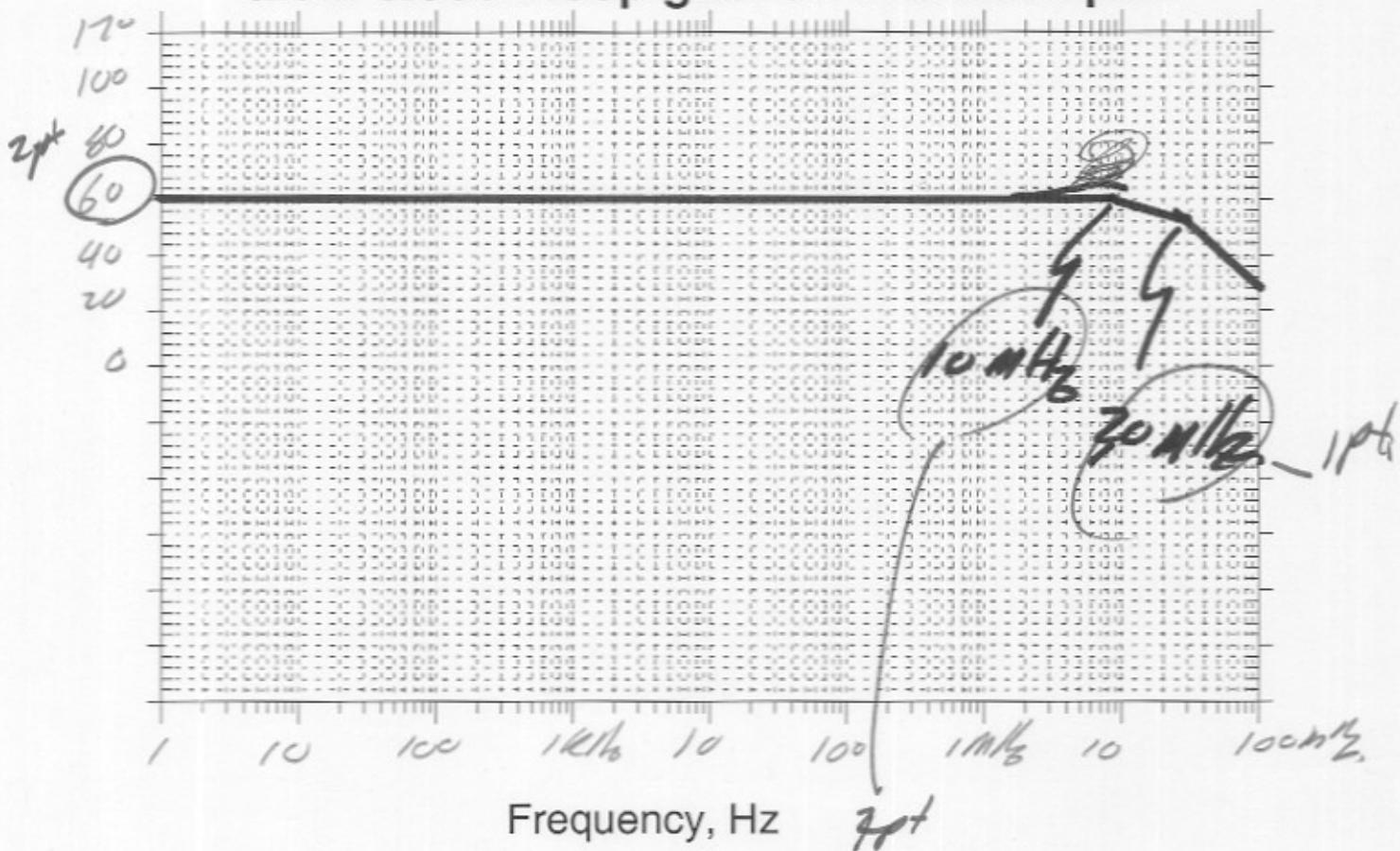
part b, 5 points

What is the gain and bandwidth of the closed-loop amplifier?

$$\text{low frequency } V_{out}/V_{gen} = \frac{1000}{1000} \quad \text{bandwidth of } V_{out}/V_{gen} = \frac{10\text{Hz}}{10\text{Hz}}$$

Draw a plot of the closed loop gain, labeling all axes, slopes, pole/zero frequencies, etc.

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



$$A_{cl} = \begin{cases} 1/3 & T \gg 1 \\ \frac{1}{R} \frac{e^{j\theta_T}}{1+e^{j\theta_T}} & \text{for } T = 1 \cdot e^{j\theta_T} \end{cases}$$

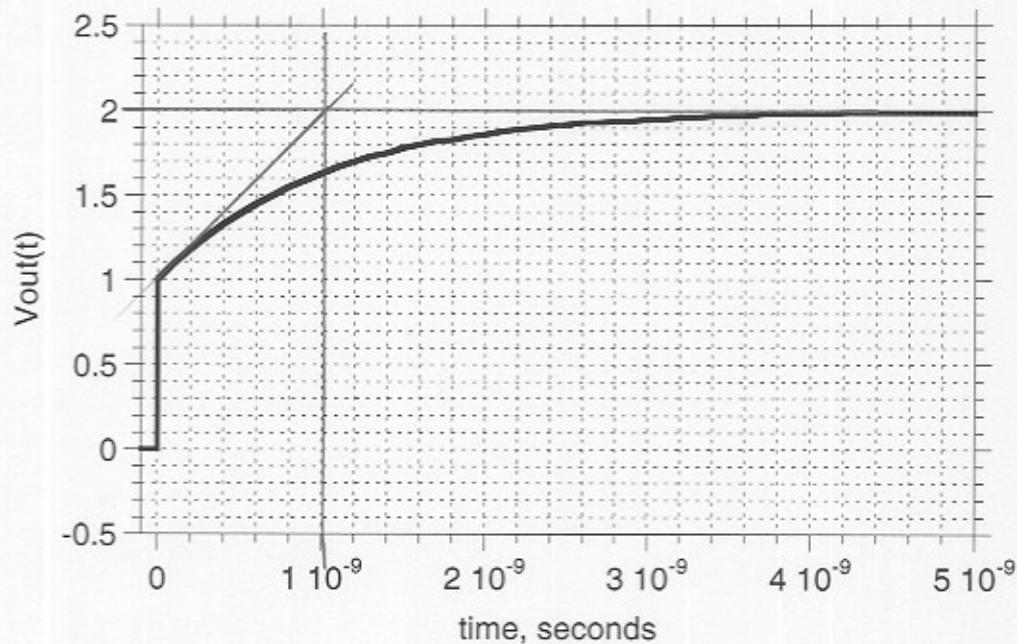
for  $T \ll 1$

because  $\rho_m$   
is large,  
transfer functn  
shas little or  
no peaking freq.,

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

Part a, 5 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

pole frequencies: 160MHz, X, X Hz

zero frequencies: 320MHz, X, X Hz

3)  $\boxed{\text{function is } 2 \cdot a(t) - a(t) e^{-611ns}}$

Part b, 5 points

Give the transfer function

$$V_{out}(s)/V_{gen}(s). \text{ Give the answer in standard form } \frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{gen}(s)} = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{gen}} \Big|_{DC} \underbrace{\frac{1+b_1s+b_2s^2+\dots}{1+a_1s+a_2s^2+\dots}}$$

$$V_{out}(s)/V_{gen}(s) = \frac{1}{V_i(s) = 1V/A}$$

$$2 \left[ V_o(s) = \frac{z^6}{s} - \frac{1V \cdot T}{1+AT} \right] \quad | \quad V_i(s) = 1V/A$$

$$2 \left[ \begin{aligned} V_i(s) &= \frac{z^6}{s} - \frac{1V \cdot T}{1+AT} \\ &= z - \frac{sT}{1+sT} = \frac{z + sT - sT}{1+sT} \\ &= \frac{z + AT}{1+AT} = z \frac{1+AT/2}{1+AT} \end{aligned} \right] \quad T = 1 \text{ ns.}$$

$$\text{D pole } @ \quad f_{p1} = \frac{1}{2\pi(1 \text{ ns})} = 160 \text{ MHz}$$

$$\text{D zero } @ \quad f_{q1} = \frac{1}{2\pi(1/2 \text{ ns})} = 320 \text{ MHz}$$

Part c, 5 points

Draw an accurate Bode plot of the transfer function

