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There are 100 points over 3 problems on 3 additional pages.

Be sure to **state** any assumptions made and **check** them when possible.

## Useful units and constants

Definition of electron volt:  $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ Electronic charge:  $q = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$ Boltzmann constant:  $k = 8.62 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV/K} = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$ Thermal voltage at room temperature: kT / q = 0.0259 VRelative permittivity of silicon:  $\varepsilon_r = 11.7$ Relative permittivity of SiO<sub>2</sub>:  $\varepsilon_r = 3.9$ Permittivity of free space:  $\varepsilon_0 = 8.854 \times 10^{-14} \text{ F/cm}$ Silicon intrinsic carrier density at room temperature:  $n_i = 10^{10}/\text{cm}^3$ Band gap for silicon:  $E_G = 1.12 \text{ eV}$  1. (32 points) Design a four-resistor bias network for an NMOS transistor with  $R_D = R_S$  to give a Q-point (*i*<sub>DS</sub>, *v*<sub>DS</sub>) of (0.25 mA, 2 V) with  $V_{DD} = 5$  V. Use  $K_n' = 50 \mu A/V^2$ ,  $V_{TO} = 0.8$  V, and (W/L) = 2/1. Ignore channel length modulation effect.

(a) (5 points) What are the values of  $R_D$  and  $R_S$ ?

(b) (12 points) What is the ratio  $R_1/R_2$  to give the desired biasing for  $\gamma = 0$ ? What is transistor mode?

(c) (5 points) What value of  $R_1$  would make the current through  $R_1$  equal to 5% of drain current.

(d) (10 points) Repeat (b) if body effect parameter is  $\gamma = 0.6 \text{ V}^{1/2}$  and  $2\varphi_F = 0.7 \text{ V}$ .



2. (36 points) An NMOS depletion load inverter design is shown in the figure below. Use  $K_n' = 20 \ \mu A/V^2$  for both devices.  $V_{TO}^S = 1.0 \ V$  and  $V_{TO}^L = -1.0 \ V$ . Neglect the body effect.

(a) (12 pts) If (W/L)s = (1/1), find the value of (W/L)<sub>L</sub> to give  $V_L = 0.7$  V. Neglect channel length modulation effect ( $\lambda = 0$ ).

(b) (6 pts) How should the aspect ratios of the MOSFETs be changed to make the maximum power consumption of the inverter 4 mW, with  $V_H$  and  $V_L$  kept unchanged.

(c) (8 pts) If channel length modulation was significant, would  $V_L$  increase/decrease/stay the same? Explain.

(d) (10 pts) Estimate the noise margins based on the voltage transfer characteristic provided.





EE 331 Exam 2 Instructor: Dunham Spring 2012 Version A 3. (32 points) Use  $K_{n,p} = 100 \ \mu \text{A/V}^2$ ,  $\gamma = 0$ , and  $\lambda = 0$ . The on voltages of body pn junctions are 0.7 V. (a) (10 points)  $V_S = V_B = 2$  V.  $V_D = 3$  V.  $V_{T0}=0.5$ V. The current into terminal D is 2 mA. What is  $V_G$ ? 

(a) (12 points) The current into terminal D is -2 mA.  $V_{T0}=0.5$ V.  $V_S = V_B = V_G = 0$ V. Find  $V_D$  and current into terminal S.



(b) (10 points) This transistor is a depletion mode PMOS devices with  $V_{TO} = 0.5$  V.  $V_S = V_B = 0$  V,  $V_G = -1$  V, and  $V_D = -2$  V. What mode is device operating in? What is current **into** terminal D?

