

Question:

The differential amplifier as shown in **Figure 1** has a pair of PMOS transistors as input devices and a pair of NMOS transistors connected as an active load. The circuit is biased with $I_Q = 0.2 \text{ mA}$, and the transistor parameters are: $K_n = K_p = 0.1 \text{ mA/V}^2$, $\lambda_n = 0.01 \text{ V}^{-1}$, $\lambda_p = 0.015 \text{ V}^{-1}$, $V_{TN} = 1 \text{ V}$, and $V_{TP} = -1 \text{ V}$.

- (a) Find the open-circuit differential-mode voltage gain, A_d . [5 marks]
- (b) Calculate the output resistance, R_O , of the circuit. [5 marks]

Answer:

(a)

$$g_{m2} = 2\sqrt{K_p I_{DQ2}} = 2\sqrt{K_p (I_Q/2)} \quad [1]$$

$$g_{m2} = 2\sqrt{(0.1\text{m})(0.1\text{m})} = 0.2\text{mA/V}$$

$$r_{o2} = 1/(\lambda_p I_{DQ2}) = 1/(\lambda_p (I_Q/2)) \quad [1]$$

$$= 1/((0.015)(0.1\text{m})) = 0.667 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$r_{o4} = 1/(\lambda_n I_{DQ4}) = 1/(\lambda_n (I_Q/2)) \quad [1]$$

$$= 1/((0.01)(0.1\text{m})) = 1 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$A_d = g_{m2}(r_{o2} \parallel r_{o4}) \quad [1]$$

$$= (0.2\text{m})(0.667\text{M} \parallel 1\text{M})$$

$$= 80 \quad [1]$$

(b)

$$r_{o2} = 1/(\lambda_p I_{DQ2}) = 1/(\lambda_p (I_Q/2)) \quad [1.5]$$

$$= 1/((0.015)(0.1\text{m})) = 0.667 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$r_{o4} = 1/(\lambda_n I_{DQ4}) = 1/(\lambda_n (I_Q/2)) \quad [1.5]$$

$$= 1/((0.01)(0.1\text{m})) = 1 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$R_O = r_{o2} \parallel r_{o4} \quad [2]$$

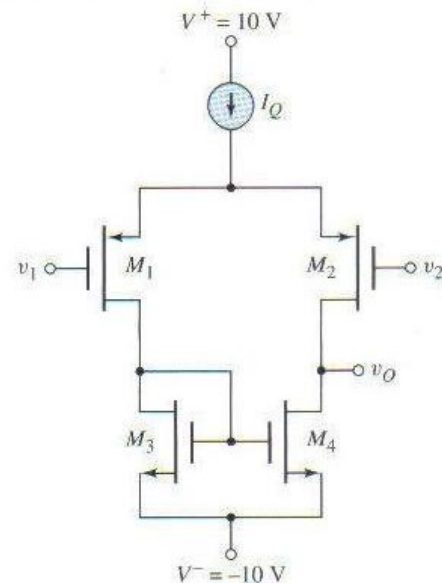
$$= 0.667\text{M} \parallel 1\text{M} = 400 \text{ k}\Omega$$


Figure 1

Question:

The differential amplifier as shown in **Figure 1** has a pair of PMOS transistors as input devices and a pair of NMOS transistors connected as an active load. The circuit is biased with $I_Q = 0.3 \text{ mA}$, and the transistor parameters are: $K_n = K_p = 0.1 \text{ mA/V}^2$, $\lambda_n = 0.015 \text{ V}^{-1}$, $\lambda_p = 0.01 \text{ V}^{-1}$, $V_{TN} = 1 \text{ V}$, and $V_{TP} = -1 \text{ V}$.

- (c) Find the open-circuit differential-mode voltage gain, A_d . [5 marks]
- (d) Calculate the output resistance, R_O , of the circuit. [5 marks]

Answer:

(a)

$$g_{m2} = 2\sqrt{K_p I_{DQ2}} = 2\sqrt{K_p (I_Q/2)} \quad [1]$$

$$g_{m2} = 2\sqrt{(0.1\text{m})(0.15\text{m})} = 0.245\text{mA/V}$$

$$r_{o2} = 1/(\lambda_p I_{DQ2}) = 1/(\lambda_p (I_Q/2)) \quad [1]$$

$$= 1/((0.01)(0.15\text{m})) = 0.667 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$r_{o4} = 1/(\lambda_n I_{DQ4}) = 1/(\lambda_n (I_Q/2)) \quad [1]$$

$$= 1/((0.015)(0.15\text{m})) = 0.444 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$A_d = g_{m2}(r_{o2} \parallel r_{o4}) \quad [2]$$

$$= (0.245\text{m})(0.667\text{M} \parallel 0.444\text{M})$$

$$= 65.3$$

(b)

$$r_{o2} = 1/(\lambda_p I_{DQ2}) = 1/(\lambda_p (I_Q/2)) \quad [1.5]$$

$$= 1/((0.01)(0.15\text{m})) = 0.667 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$r_{o4} = 1/(\lambda_n I_{DQ4}) = 1/(\lambda_n (I_Q/2)) \quad [1.5]$$

$$= 1/((0.015)(0.15\text{m})) = 0.444 \text{ M}\Omega$$

$$R_O = r_{o2} \parallel r_{o4} \quad [2]$$

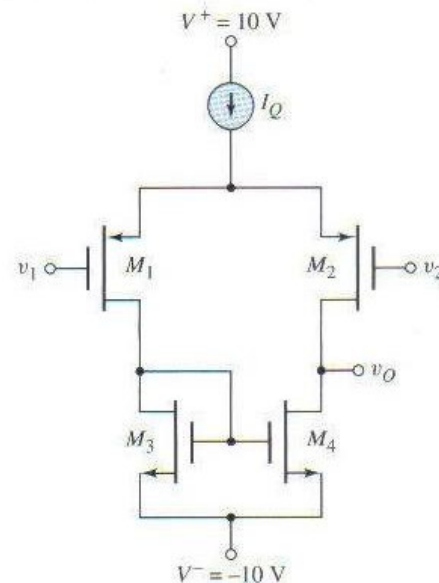
$$= 0.667\text{M} \parallel 0.444\text{M} = 266.7 \text{ k}\Omega$$


Figure 1