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EE 303 Midterm Spring 2008

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When numerical values are requested use the spice parameters  $KP=2x10^{-5}A/V^2$ , W=L=10u, VTO=0.8V, LAMBDA= $2x10^{-3}/V$  Cgs=Cgd=5pFd, BF=120, VAF=110V, IS= $10^{-14}A$ , VBE=0.7V. For thermal voltage use VT=0.026V.

## 1. (50 points; 30 minutes)

For the following current mirror, assume that at DC the mirror gives  $I_2=3$ mA out for  $I_1=3$ mA in with identical transistors operating in the saturation region.



a) draw the small signal 2-port equivalent circuit.

- b) analytically (not numerically) find the Y matrix in terms of the Spice parameters (including both gate capacitors).
- c) numerically evaluate Y(s) and comment upon the poles and zeros.
- d) assuming a load conductance  $g_L$  is placed across port 2, analytically find the small signal voltage gain,  $(v_2/v_1)=G(s)$ . Evaluate G(s) numerically for  $g_L=2mMho$ .

2. (50 points; 30 minutes)



For this circuit

- a) Numerically find RE and Rg so that the  $V_{GS} = 2V$ .
- b) Given the result of part a) find numerically the maximum RL (call it Rmax) such that the transistor M remains in saturation for all smaller values of the non-negative load resistance RL.
- c) Calculate numerically the drain current,  $i_D,$  of M for  $0{\leq}RL{\leq}Rmax$  and sketch  $i_D$  vs RL.