

## ECE 2C Mid-Term Exam

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There are xx problems on this exam, and you have 75 minutes.

Use any and all reasonable approximations (5% accuracy is fine.) , **AFTER STATING and approximately Justifying them.**

(1) Answers without units are wrong.

(2) Plots without correctly labelled and dimensioned axes are wrong.

Name: Solution - even "a"

Perm #: \_\_\_\_\_

Problem	Points Received	Points Possible
1a		5
1b		5
1c		10
2a		5
2b		5
3a		5
3b		10
3c		10
4a		10
4b		10
5a	11	10
5b	11	10
total		100 75

**Problem 1, 15 points**

Part a, 5 points.

Q1 is a mobility-limited FET, ie.

$$I_d = (\mu C_{ox} W_g / 2L_g) (V_{gs} - V_{th})^2 (1 + \lambda V_{ds}) \text{ where}$$

$$(\mu C_{ox} W_g / 2L_g) = 1 \text{ mA/V}^2, \lambda = 0.0 \text{ V}^{-1}, \text{ and } V_{th} = 0.3 \text{ V.}$$

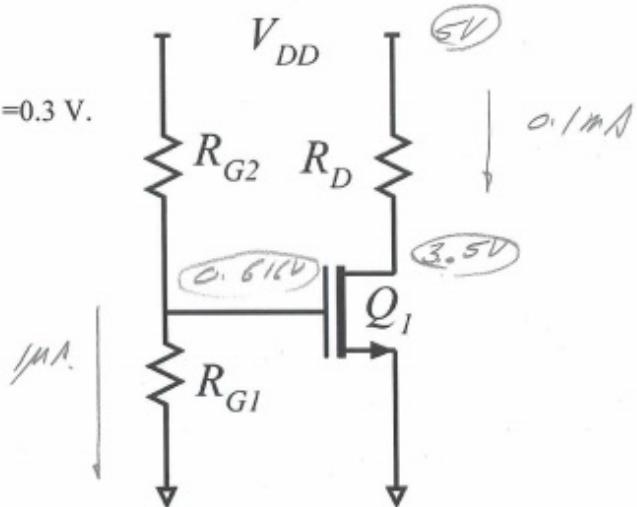
$$V_{DD} = 5 \text{ Volts}$$

The drain is biased at +3.5 Volts.

The drain current is 0.1 mA.

The DC current in  $R_{G1}$  is 1  $\mu$ A

Find  $R_{G1}$ ,  $R_{G2}$ ,  $R_D$ , and the DC gate voltage.



$$R_{G1} = \frac{616 \mu\text{A}}{0.616 \text{V}} \quad R_{G2} = \frac{4.58 \text{mA}}{0.1 \text{mA}} \quad R_D = \frac{156 \Omega}{156 \Omega}$$

1pt 
$$R_D = (5V - 3.5V) / 0.1mA = 1.5V / 0.1mA = 15k\Omega$$

2pt 
$$0.1mA = \frac{1mA}{V^2} (V_{gs} - 0.3V)^2 \rightarrow 0.1V^2 = (V_{gs} - 0.3V)^2$$

$$\rightarrow V_{gs} = 0.616V$$

1pt 
$$R_{G1} = \frac{0.616V}{1\mu\text{A}} = 616k\Omega$$

1pt, 
$$R_{G2} = \frac{5V - 0.616V}{1\mu\text{A}} = \frac{4.584V}{1\mu\text{A}} = 4.58M\Omega$$

Part b, 5 points

Using the FET parameters and DC bias conditions of part (a), draw a small-signal model of the FET and give numerical values of all small-signal parameters.

FET operating at  $V_{GS} = 0.616V$ ,  $V_{DS} = 3.5V$

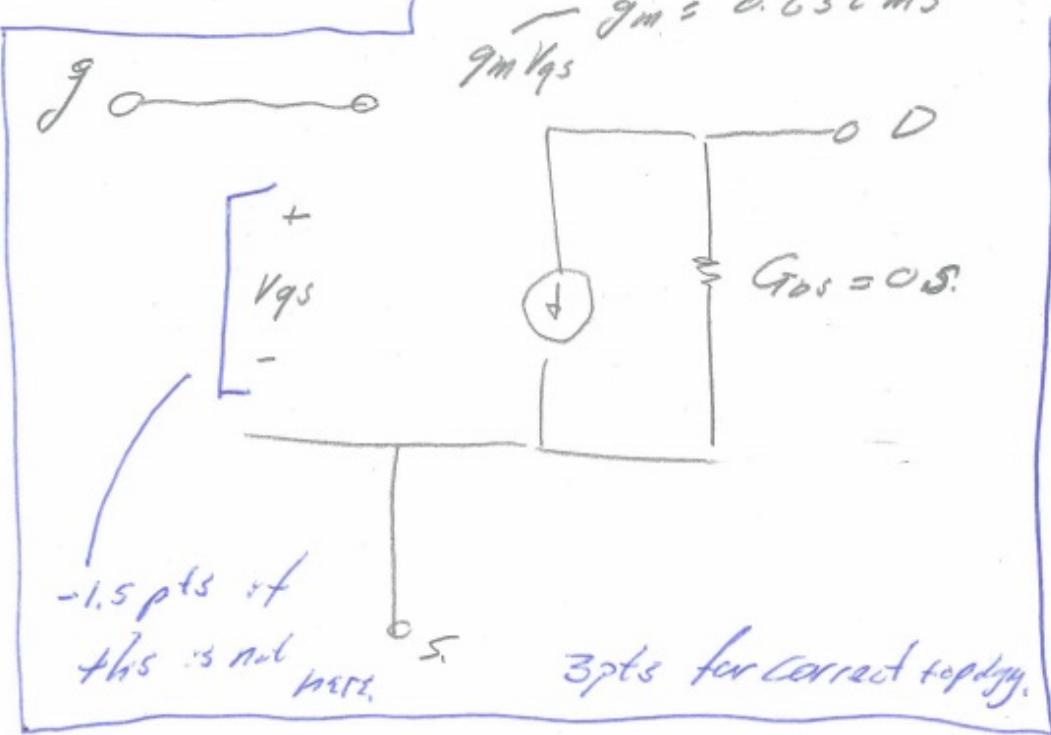
$$I_{D0} = \frac{1mA}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot (V_{GS} - V_{th})^2 (1 + \lambda V_{DS})$$

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$$g_m \triangleq \frac{\partial I_D}{\partial V_{GS}} = \frac{2mA}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot (V_{GS} - 0.3V) = 0.632 \text{ mS}$$

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$$G_{DS} = \frac{\partial I_D}{\partial V_{DS}} = 0 \quad \text{because } \lambda = 0$$

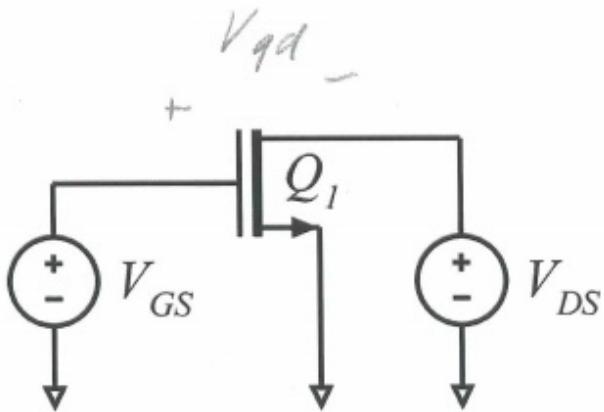


Part c, 10 points.

When FET gate lengths become *very* short, neither the mobility-limited nor the velocity-limited models are correct. Instead, we have **degenerate/ballistic** characteristics, which for *low V<sub>ds</sub>* gives:

$$I_d = K(V_{gs} - V_{th})^{3/2} - K(V_{gd} - V_{th})^{3/2}$$

For this FET,  $K=1 \text{ mA/V}^{3/2}$ , and  $V_{th}=0.2 \text{ V}$ .



In the circuit shown, the gate is biased at +0.8 Volts, and the drain is biased at +0.2 Volts.

*Draw a small-signal model of the FET labelling all elements and all control voltages, and give numerical values of all small-signal parameters.*

$$\boxed{1} \quad I_d = K(V_{gs} - V_{th})^{3/2} - K(V_{gd} - V_{th})^{3/2}$$

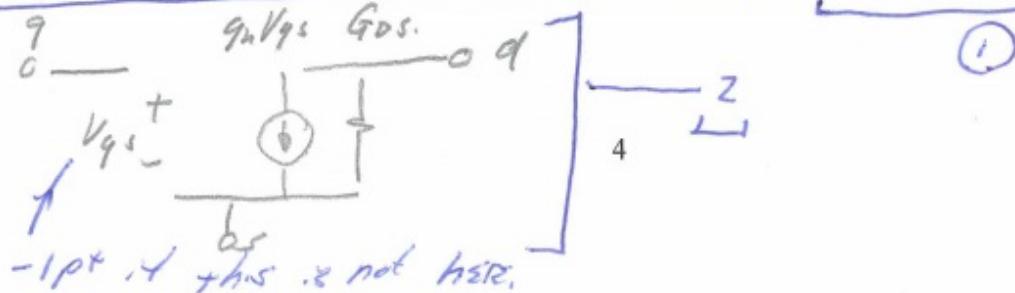
key:  $V_{gd} = V_{gs} - V_{ds}$  (*important!*)

$$\boxed{2} \quad I_d = K(V_{gs} - V_{th})^{3/2} - K(V_{gs} - V_{ds} - V_{th})^{3/2}$$

$$\boxed{2} \quad g_m \triangleq \frac{\partial I_d}{\partial V_{gs}} = \frac{3K}{2} (V_{gs} - V_{th})^{1/2} - \frac{3K}{2} (V_{gs} - V_{ds} - V_{th})^{1/2}$$

$$\boxed{1} \quad = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\text{mA}}{\text{V}^{3/2}} (0.8V - 0.2V)^{1/2} - \frac{3}{2} \frac{\text{mA}}{\text{V}^{3/2}} (0.8V - 0.4V)^{1/2} = 0.213 \frac{\text{mA}}{\text{V}}$$

$$\boxed{2} \quad G_{ds} \triangleq \frac{\partial I_d}{\partial V_{ds}} = (+) \frac{3K}{2} (V_{gs} - V_{ds} - V_{th})^{1/2} = \frac{3\text{mA}}{2V^{3/2}} (0.8V - 0.4V)^{1/2} = 0.95 \frac{\text{mA}}{\text{V}}$$



**Problem 2, 15 points**

Q1 is a mobility-limited FET, ie.

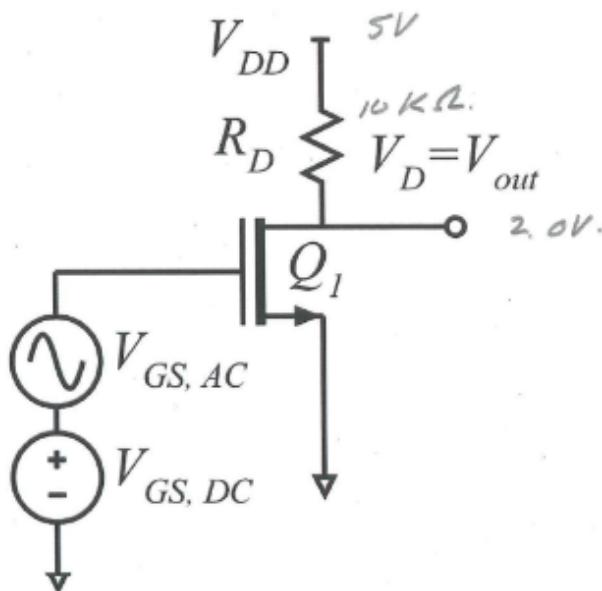
$$I_d = (\mu C_{ox} W_g / 2L_g)(V_{gs} - V_{th})^2 (1 + \lambda V_{ds})$$

where  $(\mu C_{ox} W_g / 2L_g) = 1 \text{ mA/V}^2$ ,

$\lambda = 0.1 \text{ V}^{-1}$ , and  $V_{th} = 0.3 \text{ V}$ .

$$V_{DD} = 5 \text{ Volts}$$

$$R_D = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$$



Part a, 5 points

We wish to have a DC drain voltage of 2.0 Volts.

What DC gate-source voltage does this require?

$$V_{GS,DC} = \underline{\underline{0.8V}}$$

$$2 \quad \left[ I_D = \frac{5V - 2V}{10k\Omega} = \frac{3V}{10k\Omega} = 0.3 \text{ mA} \right]$$

$$3 \quad \left[ \begin{aligned} I_D &= 0.3 \text{ mA} = \frac{1 \text{ mA}}{\text{V}^2} (V_{gs} - 0.3V)^2 \left( 1 + \frac{V_{ds}}{10V} \right) \\ 0.25 \text{ V}^2 &= (V_{gs} - 0.3V)^2 \rightarrow V_{gs} = 0.8V \end{aligned} \right]$$

Part b, 5 points

$$V_{GS,AC}(t) = 1 \text{ mV} \cdot \cos(2\pi \cdot 1 \text{ kHz} \cdot t)$$

What is the AC drain voltage?

$$\rightarrow V_{D,AC}(t) = \underline{\underline{\quad}}$$

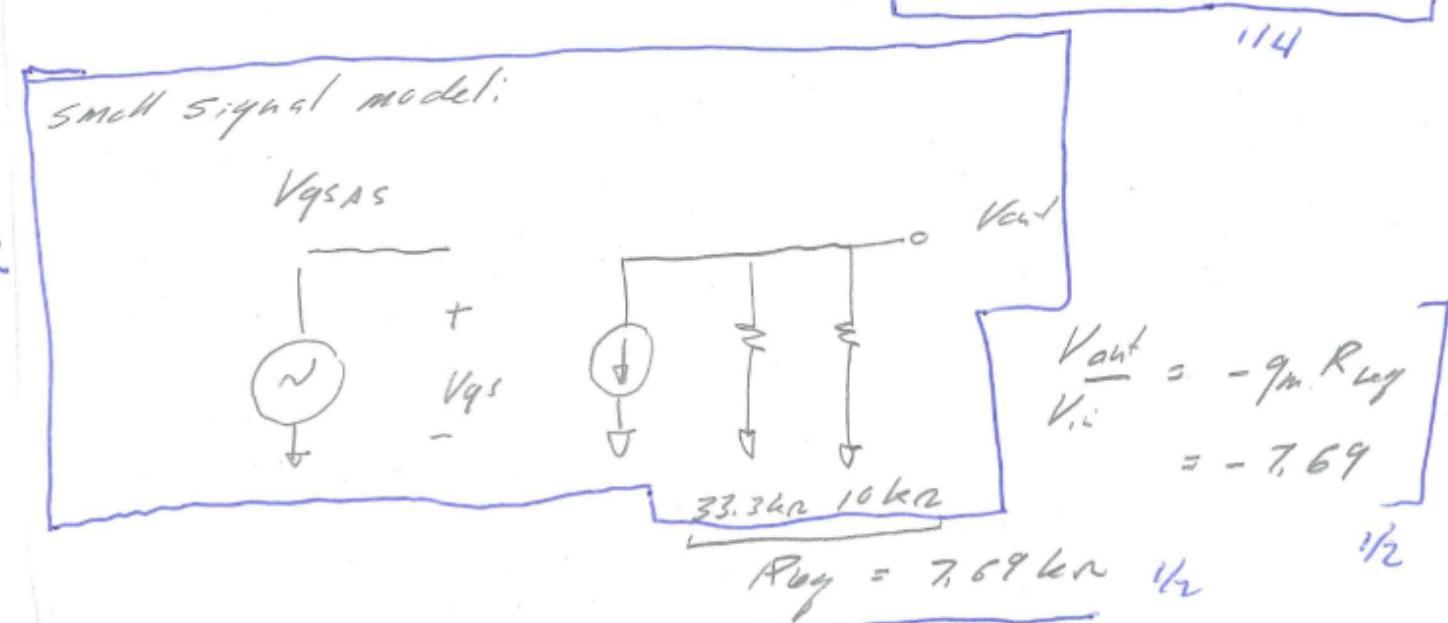
we need ss model (!)

on to drop

$$\frac{1}{4} \left[ g_m \approx 2(\mu C_{ox} W/L)(V_{GS} - V_{th})(1 + \frac{1}{2}V_{DS}) \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \left[ = \frac{2 \text{ mA}}{\text{V}^2} (0.8 \text{ V} - 0.3 \text{ V}) = \underline{\underline{1 \text{ mA}}} \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \left[ G_{DS} \triangleq \frac{\partial I_D}{\partial V_{DS}} = \frac{1 I_D}{1 + 1 V_{GS}} \approx 1 I_D = \frac{0.3 \text{ mA}}{10 \text{ V}} = 30 \mu \text{A} = \frac{1}{33.3 \text{ k}\Omega} \right]$$



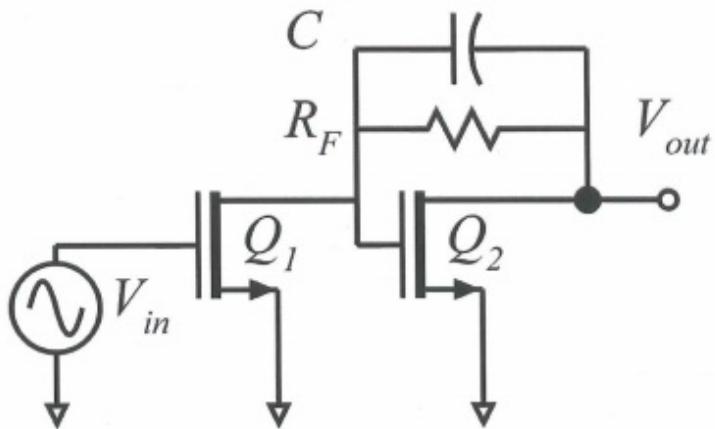
$$1 \left[ V_{out}(t) = -7.69 \text{ mV} \cdot \cos(2\pi \cdot 1 \text{ kHz} \cdot t) \right]$$

Problem 3, 25 points

You will be working with the circuit at right. Ignore DC bias. You don't need it.

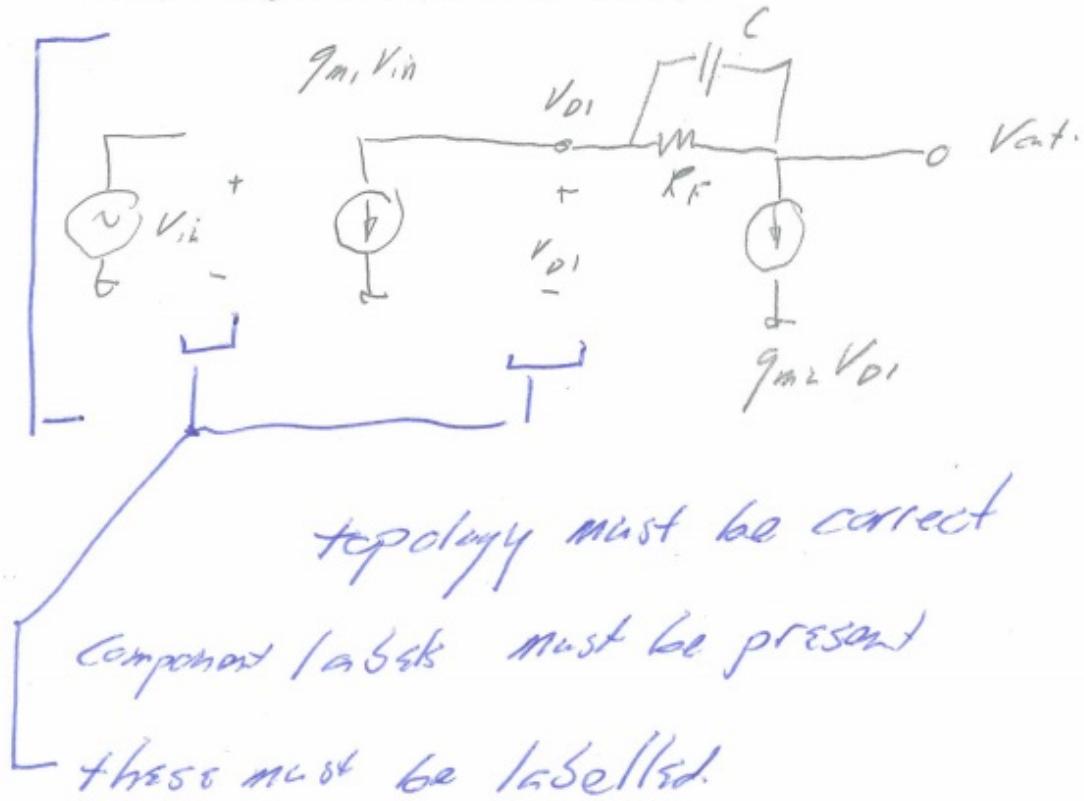
The transistors Q1 and Q2 have transconductances  $g_{m1}$  and  $g_{m2}$ , both nonzero, but  $G_{ds1} = G_{ds2} = 0$  mS.

The transistors have no gate-source or gate-drain capacitances.



Part a, 5 points

replacing the transistors with their small-signal models, draw a small-signal equivalent circuit, labelling all elements and all control voltages.



Part b, 10 points

Compute  $V_{out}(s)/V_{in}(s)$ : The answer must be in one of these two standard forms:

$$\frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \Big|_{\substack{\text{low-frequency} \\ \text{value}}} \times \frac{1 + b_1 s + b_2 s^2 + \dots}{1 + a_1 s + a_2 s^2 + \dots} \quad \text{or}$$

$$\frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}} \Big|_{\substack{\text{low-frequency} \\ \text{value}}} \times \frac{(1 - s/s_{z1})(1 - s/s_{z2})\dots}{(1 - s/s_{p1})(1 - s/s_{p2})\dots}$$

$$V_{out}(s)/V_{in}(s) = \underline{\hspace{10cm}}$$

3  $\sum I = 0 @ V_{D1}$   $\rightarrow$   $\boxed{g_m V_{in} + V_{D1}(SC + GF) + V_{out}(-SC - GF) = 0}$

$$\rightarrow V_{D1}(SC + GF) + V_{out}(-SC - GF) = -g_m V_{in}$$

3  $\sum I = 0 @ V_{out}$   $\rightarrow$   $\boxed{V_{out}(SC + GF) + V_{D1}(g_m - SC - GF) = 0}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} SC + GF & -SC - GF \\ g_m - SC - GF & SC + GF \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_{D1} \\ V_{out} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -g_m V_{in} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D(\Delta) = \begin{vmatrix} \Delta C + G_F & -\Delta C - G_F \\ \Delta C - G_F & \Delta C + G_F \end{vmatrix} = \Delta C (\Delta C + G_F)$$

$$N(\Delta) = \begin{vmatrix} \nu & -\Delta m_1 V_{11} \\ \Delta m_2 - \Delta C - G_F & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \Delta m_1 (\Delta m_2 - \Delta C - G_F)$$

$$= \frac{\Delta m_1 (\Delta m_2 - \Delta C - G_F)}{\Delta m_2 (\Delta C + G_F)}$$

$$= \frac{\Delta m_1 (\Delta m_2 - G_F)}{\Delta m_2 G_F} \frac{(1 - \Delta C / (\Delta m_2 - G_F))}{1 + \Delta C / G_F}$$

$$\frac{V_D(\Delta)}{V_{RF}(\Delta)} = \frac{\Delta m_1 (\Delta m_2 R_F - 1)}{\Delta m_2} \frac{1 - \Delta C (\Delta m_2 - G_F)^{-1}}{1 + \Delta C R_F}$$

(z)

Part c, 10 points

Now  $g_{m1} = g_{m2} = 1 \text{ ms}$ ,  $R_f = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $C = 1 \text{ nF}$ .

Give the frequencies, in Hz, of any and all poles and zeros. Clearly indicate if any lie in the right half of the S-plane

1st pole frequency = 15.9 kHz, 2nd pole frequency = \_\_\_\_\_,  
3rd pole frequency = \_\_\_\_\_

1st zero frequency = 143 kHz, 2nd zero frequency = \_\_\_\_\_,  
3rd zero frequency = \_\_\_\_\_

Pole:

$$3 \left[ T = C \cdot R_f = 1 \text{nF} \cdot 10 \text{k}\Omega = 10 \mu\text{s} \right]$$
$$2 \left[ f_p = \frac{0.159}{10 \mu\text{s}} = 15.9 \text{ kHz} \right]$$

Zero - in RHP.

$$3 \left[ T = \frac{C}{g_{m2} - G_1} = \frac{1 \text{nF}}{1 \text{ms} - 0.1 \text{ms}} = 1.11 \mu\text{s} \right]$$

$$2 \left[ f_{zero} = \frac{0.159}{1.11 \mu\text{s}} = 143 \text{ kHz} \right]$$

**Problem 4, 20 points**

We have a circuit for which

$$\frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = H(s) = H_{DC} \times \frac{1+s\tau_1}{(1+s\tau_2)(1+s\tau_3)}$$

where  $\tau_1 = 1 \text{ ns}$ ,  $\tau_2 = 10 \text{ ns}$ ,  $\tau_3 = 0.1 \text{ ns}$ .

$z_{poles} @ 160 \text{ MHz}$

Poles:  $16 \text{ MHz}, 1.6 \text{ GHz}$

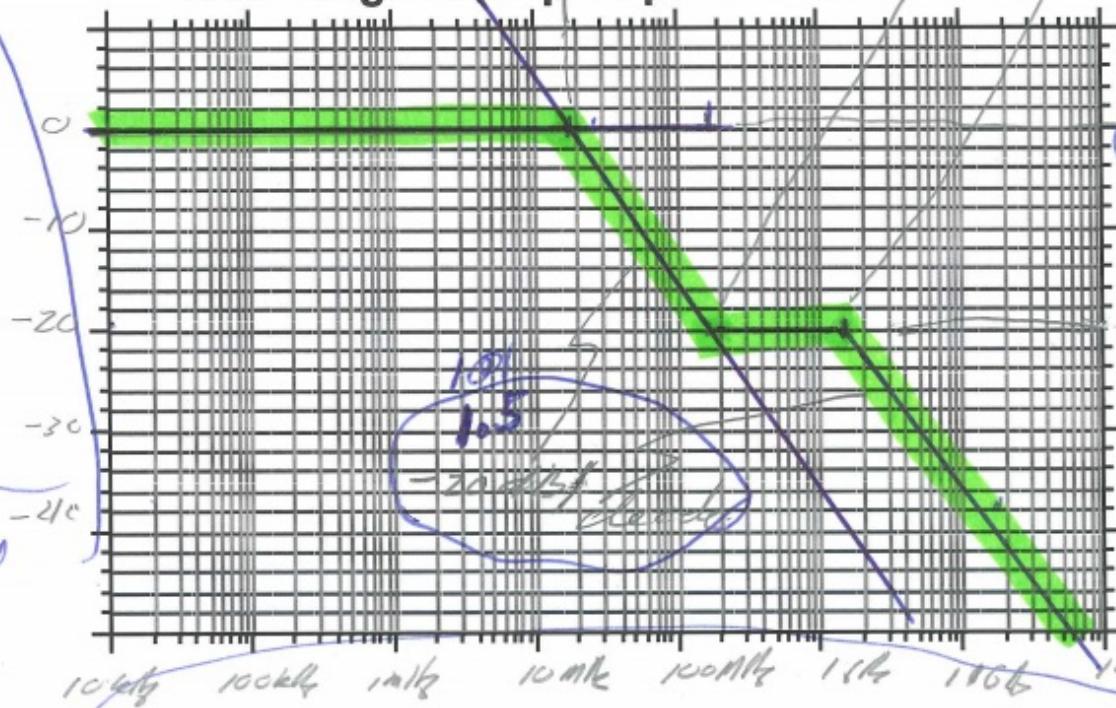
1/pot each

**Part a, 10 points**

Make an \*\*accurate\*\* asymptotic Bode plot of  $\|H\|$ , labelling and dimensioning axes and clearly labelling all slopes and all critical frequencies.



**Bode Magnitude plot-please label axes**



1/Pt  
0dB.  
-20dB  
pts for loc in right place.

Frequency, Hz

correct scales & labels: ~ 2 pts.

a exam.

**Part b, 10 points**

Make an \*\*accurate\*\* root locus plot of  $H(s)$ , labelling and dimensioning axes and clearly labelling all critical frequencies.

**be sure to label axes with #s and units**

