# FINAL EXAMINATION - DR. ALLEN 

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INSTRUCTIONS: This exam is closed book with four sheets of notes permitted. The exam is in two parts. One part is from Dr. Allen and the other is from Dr. Ayazi. You must work the two problems that are required (these problems are Problem 1 on Dr. Allen's part and Problem 1 on Dr. Ayazi's part). You also must work four other problems from the 6 remaining problems ( 3 on Dr. Allen's part and 3 on Dr. Ayazi's part). You should submit only 6 worked problems for maximum possible 120 points. Please circle the number in the table above of the remaining three problems you wish graded. Keep the two exam parts separate when you turn in the exams. Please show your work leading to your answers so that maximum partial credit may be given where appropriate.
Problem 1-(20 points - This problem is required)
An open-loop comparator has a gain of $10^{4}$, a dominant pole of $10^{5}$ radians $/ \mathrm{sec}$., a slew rate of $5 \mathrm{~V} / \mu \mathrm{s}$ and an output swing of 1 V . (a.) If $V_{\text {in }}=1 \mathrm{mV}$ find the propagation delay time of this comparator (the time for the output to go halfway from one state to the other). (b.) Repeat part (a.) if $V_{\text {in }}=10 \mathrm{mV}$. (c.) Repeat part (a.) if $V_{\text {in }}=100 \mathrm{mV}$.

Problem 2-(20 points - This problem is optional)
Assume the capacitances connected to the drains of M1 and M2 ( $C_{1}$ and $C_{2}$ ) are initially discharged. Express $\Delta V_{\text {out }}=$ $v_{o 2}-v_{o 1}$ as a function of the applied input, $\Delta V_{i n}=v_{i 1}-v_{i 2}$, in the time domain assuming $\Delta V_{i n}$ is a step input. If $g_{m 1}=$ $g_{m 2}=1 \mathrm{mS}, g_{m 3}=g_{m 4}=100 \mu \mathrm{~S}$, and $C_{1}=C_{2}=1 \mathrm{pF}$, what is the propagation delay time $\left(\Delta V_{\text {out }}=10.5\left(V_{O H}-V_{O L}\right) \mid\right)$ for a step input of $\Delta V_{i n}=0.01\left(V_{O H}-V_{O L}\right)$ ?


## Problem 3-(20 points - This problem is optional)

An internally-compensated, cascode op amp is shown. (a) Derive an expression for the common-mode input range. (b) Find $W_{1} / L_{1}, W_{2} / L_{2}, W_{5} / L_{5}$, and $W_{6} / L_{6}$ when $I_{\text {BIAS }}$ is 80 A and the input CMR is -1.25 V to +2 V . Use $K_{N}^{\prime}=110 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{V}^{2}, K_{p}^{\prime}=50 \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{V}^{2}$ and $\left|V_{T}\right|=0.6$ to 0.8 V . (c.) Develop an expression for the small-signal differential-voltage gain and output resistance of the cascode op amp.


## Problem 4-(20 points - This problem is optional)

George P. Burdell has submitted the following input stage for the design challenge problem in ECE 6412. Assuming that the transistor model parameters are $K_{N}{ }^{\prime}=110 \mu \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{V}^{2}, V_{T N}=$ $0.7 \mathrm{~V}, \lambda_{N}=0.04 \mathrm{~V}^{-1}, K_{P}{ }^{\prime}=50 \mu \mathrm{~A} / \mathrm{V}^{2}, V_{T P}=-0.7 \mathrm{~V}, \lambda_{P}=0.05 \mathrm{~V}^{-1}$, your job is to check this op amp out. In particular, what is the upper and lower input common mode voltages, what is the minimum power supply that gives zero input common mode range, what is the smallsignal voltage gain, and compare this input stage with the classical differential input stage (list advantages and disadvantages).


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