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CURRENT-MODE ANALOGUE SIGNAL PROCESSING

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Time allowed: 3:00 hours

There are SIX questions on this paper.

Answer FOUR questions.

All questions carry equal marks

Any special instructions for invigilators and information for candidates are on page 1.

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Special instructions for students

$$\sinh(x) = \frac{\exp(x) - \exp(-x)}{2}$$

$$\cosh(x) = \frac{\exp(x) + \exp(-x)}{2}$$

$$\tanh(x) = \frac{\sinh(x)}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$\operatorname{sech}(x) = \frac{1}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$\operatorname{sech}^2(x) + \tanh^2(x) = 1$$

Question 1

The transfer function of an Infinite Impulse Response (IIR) filter of order N is given by:

$$y(m) = \sum_{n=1}^N a(n)y(m-n) + \sum_{n=0}^N b(n)x(m-n)$$

In this question the design of an IIR filter of order 2 will be outlined using switched current cells. This is a low-pass filter with a break frequency $f_B = 0.35f_S$ (f_S is the switching frequency). The filter nominal pass-band gain is unity. The filter coefficients are:

j	a(j)	b(j)
0	-----	0.44
1	0.76	0.88
2	0.45	0.44

- (a) Draw a block diagram of such a filter, in terms of unity delay elements, gain elements and summing junctions. [3]
- (b) Design a switched current “branching element” cell which for a given input generates two outputs each equal to half the input. Discuss the effect of transistor mismatch. [5]
- (c)
 - i) Use the divide-by-two branching element from part (b) to design one of the filter coefficients of part (a) to a coefficient absolute tolerance of $5 \cdot 10^{-3}$. Draw your circuit diagram in terms of branching cells, NOT in terms of transistors. (hint: you will need to construct a binary representation of the filter coefficient by multiplying it by a suitable power of 2, and use several branching stages).
 - ii) Estimate the number of control clock phases required for each coefficient.
 - iii) Estimate the number of transistors, including switches and bias current sources required to implement the filter using this technique.
 - iv) Estimate the number of phases needed to run this filter. If the transistors have a transit frequency of 10 GHz, what is the maximum signal frequency the filter can handle? Explain your answer. [12]

Question 2

In this question “x” denotes the current input terminal of a current conveyor, and “y” denotes the other input terminal.

- (a) Describe the function of an ideal 3rd generation current conveyor, and write an equation relating the voltages and currents at its terminals. What is the application of the CCIII? [5]
- (b) i) What is the terminal impedance of an ideal CCIII on the “x” terminal if the “y” terminal is grounded?
- ii) What is the terminal impedance of a CCIII on the “y” terminal if the “y” terminal is grounded?
- iii) Without drawing a circuit diagram describe the kind of feedback connections and the magnitude of the loop gain of each required to approximately obtain the terminal characteristics of an ideal CCIII using real devices. Discuss the consequences of such a circuit topology. [5]
- (c) Draw the circuit diagram of a current difference amplifier of gain +10 using only CCII-current conveyors. [5]
- (d) Use your result from Question 2(c) above, together with any other current conveyors needed to design a differential-to-single-ended current mode 2nd order active high pass filter following the Sallen-Key methodology. [5]

Question 3

In this question CFOA means Current feedback op-amp

(a)

- i) Write a matrix equation describing the output of an ideal CFOA in terms of its inputs.
- ii) Write an equation for the transfer function of a CFOA with a finite transimpedance, but otherwise ideal.
- iii) Draw a circuit diagram for a non-inverting voltage amplifier constructed around an finite gain but otherwise ideal CFOA.
- iv) Write an expression for the gain of this amplifier in terms of the CFOA gain and any resistors used. What is the limit of this expression as the transimpedance goes to infinity? [5]

(b)

- i) Write an equation describing the frequency dependent transfer function of a realistic CFOA in terms of its inputs. Include the effect of a finite, frequency dependent transimpedance only.
- ii) What is the low frequency gain of this model? What is the bandwidth? What is the gain-bandwidth product? [7]

(c)

- i) Extend the model of part (b) to include a finite input impedance at the inverting input. Assign a single pole model, at a time constant τ_1 , to this input impedance.
- ii) Show that the resulting non-inverting amplifier is a band-pass filter. Calculate the centre frequency and quality factor of this filter. Assume the low frequency transimpedance is much larger than any other impedance in the problem.
- iii) Comment on your result. How does the filter Q scale with the ratio of the input pole frequency (typically GHz) to the transimpedance pole frequency (typically kHz)?

[8]

Question 4

- (a) Derive the bipolar translinear principle with reference to a loop containing 2m base-emitter junctions. State all the assumptions that you make and list the conditions which must be satisfied in order for this principle to be valid. [3]
- (b) Compare the translinear principle relations for the MOS and the Bipolar cases [2]
- (c) Figure 4.1 illustrates a translinear circuit whose differential current output realises a trigonometric approximation.
- (i) Express the currents I_3 and I_4 in terms of I and I_x . [3]
- (ii) Next, express the differential output $I_2 - I_1$ in terms of I and I_x and show that when $I_x = yI$ holds: $I_2 - I_1 = \frac{2(2y - y^3)}{3(1 + y^2)} I$. You may assume that the transistors' beta value is large. [4]

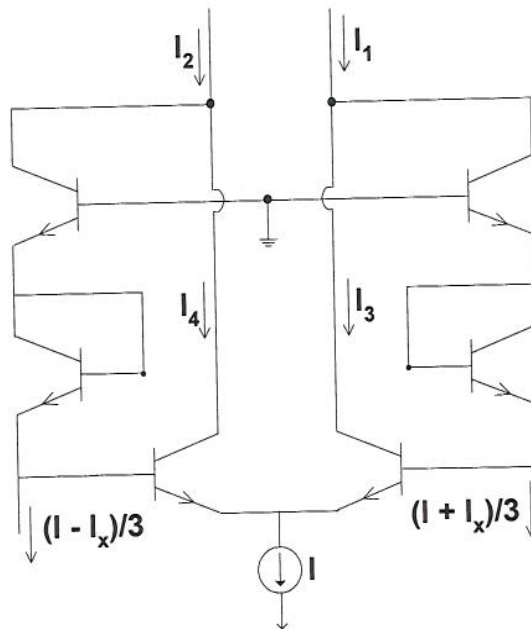


Figure 4.1

(d) Figure 4.2 illustrates a translinear circuit whose output current I_z can implement a variety of trigonometric approximations.

(i) Express the current I_2 in terms of I, I_x and the output current I_z .

[2]

(ii) Next, express the output current I_z in terms of I, I_x and the emitter area A .

[3]

(iii) Determine the emitter area A so that

$$I_z = 1.05I + 3.45I_x + 0.7 \left[\frac{I_x^2}{I} - \frac{I_x^3}{I^2} \right]. \quad [3]$$

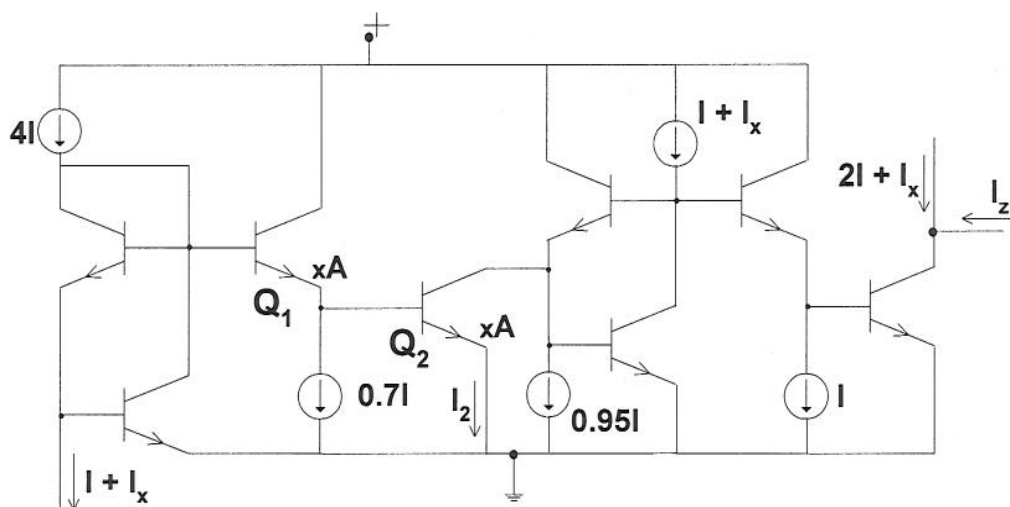


Figure 4.2

Question 5

(a) Figure 5.1 illustrates a general companding circuit.

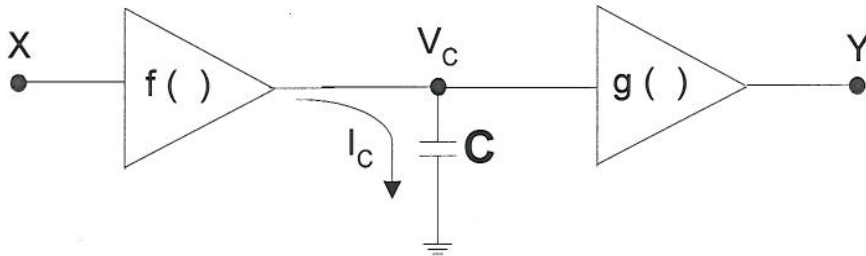


Figure 5.1

- (i) Derive the condition under which the circuit operates as an input-output linear integrator. [2]
- (ii) If the input signal X is a current of value I_m and the output signal Y is a current $g(V_C) = I_T \tanh(\alpha V_C)$ with $\alpha = V_T^{-1}$ and I_T a constant with dimensions of current, determine the function $f()$ which ensures that the circuit operates as an input-output linear companding integrator. [2]

(b) You are given the following state-space:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1(t) &= -\omega_0 x_1(t) + \omega_0 x_2(t) \\ \dot{x}_2(t) &= -2\omega_0 x_1(t) + \omega_0 x_2(t) + \omega_0 U(t) \\ y(t) &= x_1(t) \end{aligned}$$

where $U(t)$ denotes the input, $y(t)$ denotes the output, $x_1(t)$ and $x_2(t)$ are state variables and a dot above a variable denotes time-differentiation. The input U is tuned appropriately to initially start oscillation.

- (i) Show that the transfer function of the above oscillator is provided by the relation: $H(s) = \frac{\omega_0^2}{s^2 + \omega_0^2}$ [3]

- (ii) Using the exponential mappings $x_j = I_0 \exp\left(\frac{V_j}{V_T}\right)$ ($j = 1, 2$) and

$$U = I_S \exp\left(\frac{V_U}{V_T}\right)$$

show that the above linear state-space equations can be

transformed into non-linear log-domain design equations (I_S denotes the reverse saturation current of a bipolar junction transistor). [6]

- (iii) Sketch the transistor level implementation of the log-domain oscillator which realises these design relations and choose DC bias current values to give an oscillation frequency $\omega_0 = 2\pi(5 \times 10^6)$ rad/s. You may assume that all capacitors to be used are of value 7.5 pF. [7]

Question 6

- (a) Derive and sketch the adjoint network of a resistor, a nullor and a voltage amplifier [6]

(b)

- (i) Figure 6.1 illustrates a typical current amplifier. Show that

$$\frac{i_{out}}{i_{in}} = \frac{A_i \left(I + \frac{R_2}{R_I} \right)}{A_i + \left(I + \frac{R_2}{R_I} \right)} \text{ with } A_i \text{ denoting the gain of the amplifier.}$$

[3]

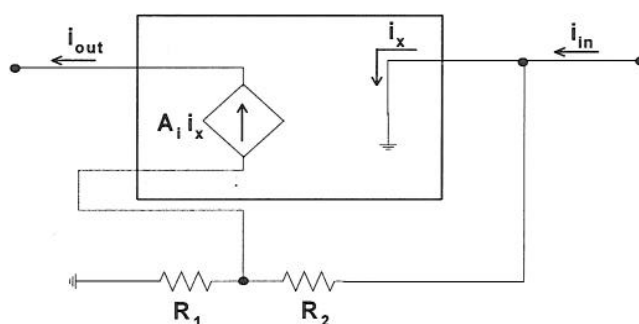


Figure 6.1

- (ii) Figure 6.2 illustrates a current-mode Sallen-Key filter. Based on the results you derived in (i) show that its transfer function is provided by the

$$\text{relation } \frac{I_{out}(s)}{I_{in}(s)} = \frac{G}{(RC)^2 s^2 + (3 - G)(RC)s + 1} \text{ where } G = I + \frac{R_2}{R_I} \text{ and } A_i \gg I.$$

[5]

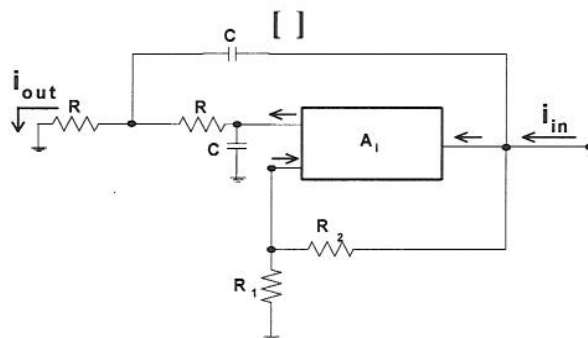


Figure 6.2

(c) Figure 6.3 shows the architecture of a simple current-follower, where the Symbols CM represent current-mirrors with an arrow marking their input side.

- (i) Derive expressions for d.c. input offset voltage and small-signal input resistance at node X. [2]

Explain with the aid of a diagram in each case, how the circuit can be modified to:

- (ii) Reduce the d.c. offset without increasing the small-signal input resistance [2]

- (iii) Reduce the small signal input resistance without increasing the value of I_0 . [2]

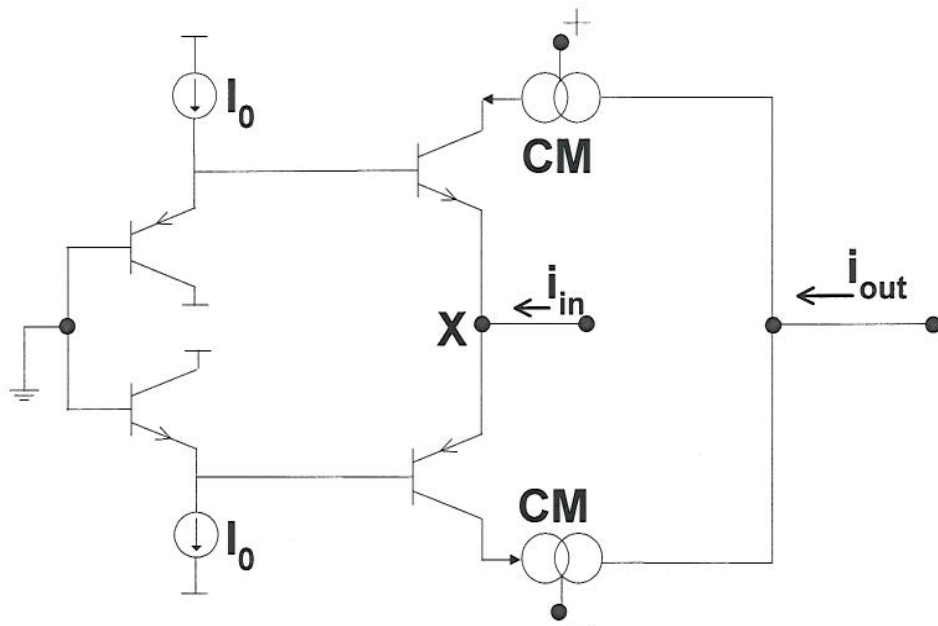


Figure 6.3

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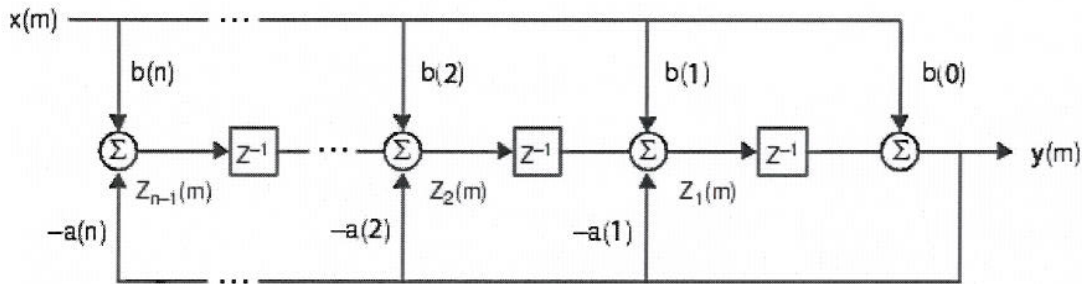
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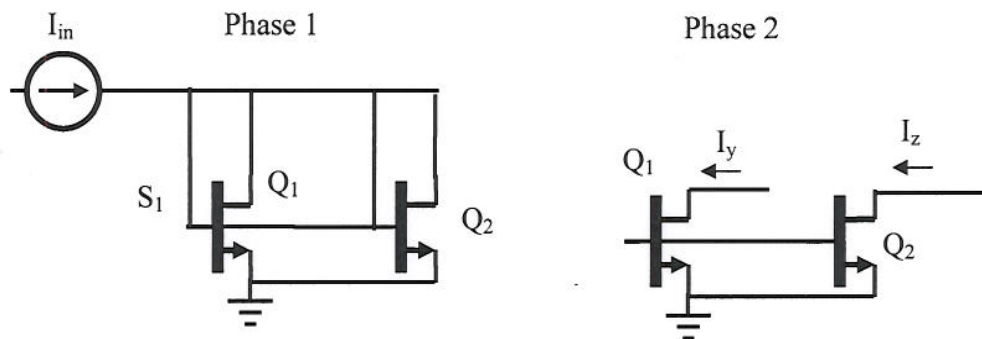
ANSWER Q1:

a) [bookwork]



[3]

b) [computed example]



[3]

Transistor mismatch has the effect that $I_y = \frac{I}{2}(1 + \epsilon)$, $I_z = \frac{I}{2}(1 - \epsilon)$

[2]

c) [computed example]

A binary representation of a coefficient can be implemented by the branching elements. Each stage needs a separate phase, so an N-bit representation needs N phases: For example, $0.88 = 0.11100001$ in the required 8 bit accuracy.

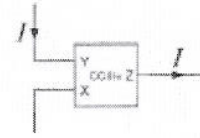
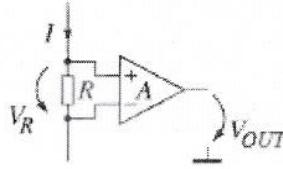
[2]

A block diagram of a circuit which can do this is:

ANSWERS Q2:

a) [bookwork]

$$\begin{bmatrix} i_y \\ v_x \\ i_z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_y \\ i_x \\ v_z \end{bmatrix}$$



This is an ideal current meter. The two inputs together behave like an ideal node

[5]

b) [interpretation of theory]

From the behavioural equation, if y is grounded, $v_x = 0 \Rightarrow Z_x = 0$.

Similarly, if x is grounded, $v_y = 0 \Rightarrow Z_y = 0$.

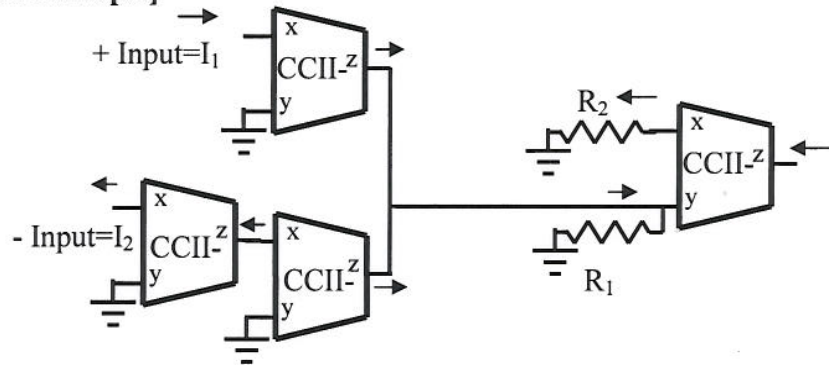
To obtain zero terminal impedance on the terminals we need unity gain positive feedback connected in series with each of the inputs. Since the output is required to be a current source the connection at the output side is a shunt connection. So a series-shunt positive feedback connection at each of the inputs is required. The opposite current polarity requires an extra inversion in one of the feedback connections.

Such a circuit is likely to be unstable in a real implementation. Alternatively, a very large loop gain shunt-series connection is required, severely restricting the bandwidth of the device.

(Note: Either answer will be accepted as correct)

[5]

c) [computed example]

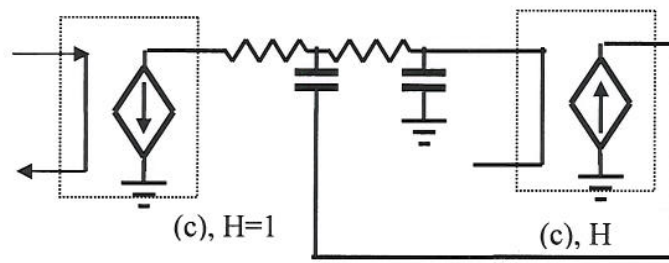


$$\left. \begin{aligned} V_x &= V_y \\ V_x &= -i_x R_2 \\ V_y &= (I_1 - I_2) R_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow i_x R_2 = -(I_1 - I_2) R_1 \Rightarrow$$

$$i_z = -i_x = \frac{R_1}{R_2} (I_1 - I_2) \Rightarrow R_1 = 10 R_2$$

[5]

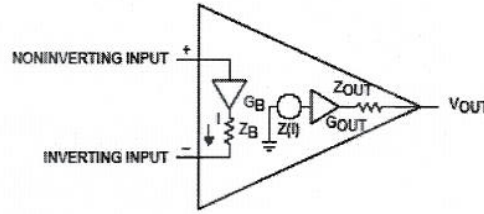
d) [computed example]



[5]

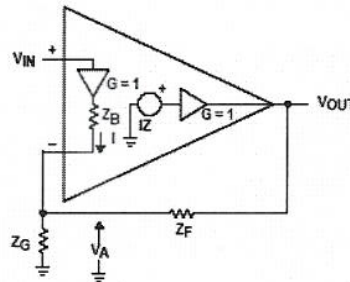
ANSWER Q3.

a) [bookwork+extensions]



$v_{out} = Z_T I_{IN}$, for an ideal CFOA $Z_T = \infty$.

The non-inverting amplifier diagram is the same as with a voltage op-amp:



$V_{out} = Z_T I$ and the gain goes to infinity as $Z_T \rightarrow \infty$, with the input current out of the inverting input. The inverting input voltage follows that of the non-inverting input.

Since:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} V_- &= V_+ \\ i_- + \frac{V_-}{R_G} + \frac{(V_- - V_{out})}{R_F} &= 0 \\ V_{out} &= -Z_T i_- \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow G = \frac{V_{out}}{V_+} = Z_T \left(\frac{1}{R_G} + \frac{1}{R_F} \right) \left/ \left(1 + \frac{Z_T}{R_F} \right) \right.$$

$$\lim_{Z_T \rightarrow \infty} G = 1 + \frac{R_F}{R_G} \equiv G_0$$

[5]

b) Let $Z_T = \frac{Z_0}{1+s\tau}$. Then,

$$G = \frac{V_{out}}{V_+} = \frac{Z_0}{1+s\tau} \left(\frac{1}{R_G} + \frac{1}{R_F} \right) \left/ \left(1 + \frac{Z_0}{R_F(1+s\tau)} \right) \right. = \frac{Z_0}{R_F + Z_0} G_0 \left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{R_F}{R_F + Z_0} s\tau} \right)$$

The low frequency gain is clearly:

$$G(0) = \frac{G_0}{R_F / Z_0 + 1}$$

the bandwidth: $\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\tau} \left(1 + \frac{Z_0}{R_F} \right) \approx \frac{Z_0}{\tau R_F}$ depends only on R_F , and the gain bandwidth

product is:

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$$\omega_0 G(0) = \frac{G_0}{R_F/Z_0 + 1} \approx \frac{Z_0}{\tau R_F} \left(1 + \frac{R_F}{R_G}\right), \text{ which is clearly not a constant.}$$

[7]

c) we allow for a finite $R_{in} = R_0 / (1 + s\tau_1)$:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} V_- &= V_+ + i_- R_{in} \\ i_- + \frac{V_-}{R_G} + \frac{(V_- - V_{out})}{R_F} &= 0 \\ V_{out} &= -Z i_- \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow G = \frac{V_{out}}{V_+} = Z_T \left(\frac{1}{R_G} + \frac{1}{R_F} \right) \Bigg/ \left(1 + \frac{R_{in}}{R_G} + \frac{R_{in}}{R_F} + \frac{Z_T}{R_F} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow G = \frac{Z_T G_0}{R_F} \Bigg/ \left(1 + \frac{R_{in} G_0}{R_F} + \frac{Z_T}{R_F} \right) = \frac{Z_T G_0}{R_F + G_0 R_{in} + Z_T} = \frac{Z_0}{(1 + s\tau)} \frac{G_0}{R_F + \frac{R_0 G_0}{1 + s\tau_1} + \frac{Z_0}{1 + s\tau}} =$$

$$= \frac{Z_0 G_0 (1 + s\tau_1)}{R_F (1 + s\tau_1) (1 + s\tau) + R_0 G_0 (1 + s\tau) + Z_0 (1 + s\tau_1)} =$$

$$= \frac{Z_0 G_0}{R_F + Z_0 + G_0 R_0} \frac{1 + s\tau_1}{1 + \left(\frac{R_F (\tau + \tau_1) + G_0 R_0 \tau + Z_0 \tau_1}{R_F + Z_0 + G_0 R_0} \right) s + s^2 \frac{R_F \tau \tau_1}{R_F + Z_0 + G_0 R_0}} =$$

The

$LPF + BPF$, both 2nd order.

$$\text{with } G_0 = 1 + \frac{R_F}{R_G}$$

two filter transfer functions share natural frequency and Q:

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{1 + Z_0/R_F + G_0 R_0/R_F}{\tau \tau_1}}, \quad Q = \frac{R_F + Z_0 + G_0 R_0}{R_F (\tau + \tau_1) + G_0 R_0 \tau + Z_0 \tau_1} \sqrt{\frac{\tau \tau_1}{1 + Z_0/R_F + G_0 R_0/R_F}}$$

if Z_0 is by far the largest term, as is usually the case,

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{1 + Z_0/R_F + G_0 R_0/R_F}{\tau \tau_1}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{Z_0}{R_F \tau \tau_1}}, \quad Q = \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{\tau_1}} \sqrt{\frac{R_F}{Z_0}}$$

An attempt to increase the bandwidth clearly increases the Q, as does an attempt to overcompensate the amplifier. The break frequency now varies with the square root of R_F , and the gain-bandwidth product is:

$$GBP = \frac{Z_0 G_0}{R_F + Z_0 + G_0 R_0} \sqrt{\frac{Z_0}{R_F \tau \tau_1}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{Z_0 G_0}{R_F \tau \tau_1}} \text{ much closer to a constant.}$$

Question 4

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a) Assumptions & Conditions [Bookwork]

equal number of CW & ACW upn junctions

-V- -II- -V- -IV & ACW pnp -II-

Same V_T (i.e. temperature) for all devicesAll upn (pnp) devices have same current density $I_{sn}(I_{sp})$

When the above hold:

$$CW \sum_{j=1}^m V_{bej} = ACW \sum_{j=1}^m V_{bej} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow CW \sum_{j=1}^m V_T \ln \left[\frac{I_{Cj}}{I_{sj} A_j} \right] = ACW \sum_{j=1}^m V_T \ln \left[\frac{I_{Cj}}{I_{sj} A_j} \right] \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow CW \prod_{j=1}^m \left[\frac{I_{Cj}}{I_{sj} A_j} \right] = ACW \prod_{j=1}^m \left[\frac{I_{Cj}}{I_{sj} A_j} \right] \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow CW \prod_{j=1}^m \left[\frac{I_{Cj}}{A_j} \right] = ACW \prod_{j=1}^m \left[\frac{I_{Cj}}{A_j} \right] \quad \text{3 marks}$$

$$b) \text{ MOS TLP: } CW \sum_{j=1}^m \sqrt{\frac{I_{Dj}}{K_j}} = ACW \sum_{j=1}^m \sqrt{\frac{I_{Dj}}{K_j}}$$

[Bookwork]

$$K_j = \frac{\mu_{ox}}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right)$$

- Disadvantages:
- "Sum of roots" is not as widely useful as bipolar "products"
 - MOS square law holds over a smaller current range than the bipolar exponential law
 - process parameters do not cancel "automatically" for "mixed" (NMOS & PMOS) TL loop

Advantage : MOS TL circuits do not suffer from beta errors.

2 marks

c) Exercise based on taught theory

i) $I_3 + I_4 = I$

$$\left[\frac{I - I_x}{2} \right]^2 I_4 = I_3 \left[\frac{I + I_x}{2} \right]^2 \Rightarrow \frac{I_4}{I_3} = \left[\frac{I + I_x}{I - I_x} \right]^2 \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{I_4 + I_3}{I_3} = \frac{I}{I_3} = \frac{[I + I_x]^2 + [I - I_x]^2}{[I - I_x]^2} \Rightarrow$$

$$I_3 = \frac{[I - I_x]^2 I}{[I + I_x]^2 + [I - I_x]^2}$$

$$I_4 = \frac{[I + I_x]^2 I}{[I + I_x]^2 + [I - I_x]^2}$$

3 marks

ii)
$$\left. \begin{aligned} I_2 &= I_4 + \frac{I - I_x}{2} = \frac{I - I_x}{2} + \frac{[I + I_x]^2 I}{[I + I_x]^2 + [I - I_x]^2} \\ I_1 &= I_3 + \frac{I + I_x}{2} = \frac{I + I_x}{2} + \frac{[I - I_x]^2 I}{[I + I_x]^2 + [I - I_x]^2} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$I_2 - I_1 = -\frac{2I_x}{2} + \frac{[I^2 + I_x^2 + 2II_x - I^2 - I_x^2 - 2II_x]}{I^2 + I_x^2 + 2II_x + I^2 + I_x^2 - 2II_x} I \Rightarrow$$

$$I_2 - I_1 = -\frac{2I_x}{2} + \frac{4II_x}{2(I^2 + I_x^2)} \stackrel{(I_x = yI)}{=} -\frac{2yI}{2} + \frac{4yI^2}{2(I^2 + y^2I^2)} \Rightarrow$$

$$I_2 - I_1 = \left[\frac{2y}{1 + y^2} - \frac{2y}{2} \right] I = \frac{6y - 2y(1 + y^2)}{2(1 + y^2)} I = 2 \frac{(2y - y^3)}{2(1 + y^2)} I$$

4 marks

d) i) Applying the TLP & KCL yields:

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$$(2I + I_x + I_z) \times I = (0.95I + I_z)(I + I_x) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow I_z = \frac{(2I + I_x + I_z)I}{I + I_x} - 0.95I \quad \text{2 marks}$$

ii)

TLP \Rightarrow

$$\frac{I_z}{A} \frac{0.7I}{A} = (I + I_x) \left[\frac{4I - (I + I_x)}{(I + I_x)} \right] \rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{(2I + I_x + I_z)I}{I + I_x} - 0.95I \right] (0.7I) = \frac{A^2 (3I - I_x)}{A^2} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2I + I_x + I_z)I}{(I + I_x)} = \frac{A^2 (I + I_x) (3I - I_x)}{0.7I} + 0.95I \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow 2I + I_x + I_z = \frac{I + I_x}{I} \frac{A^2 (I + I_x) (3I - I_x) + 0.665I^2}{0.7I}$$

$$\Rightarrow I_z = \frac{A^2 (I + I_x)^2 (3I - I_x) + 0.665I^2 (I + I_x)}{0.7I^2} - 2I - I_x$$

3 marks

$$\text{iii)} \quad I_z = \frac{A^2 (I^2 + I_x^2 + 2II_x) (3I - I_x) + 0.665 I^2 (I + I_x) - 1.4 I^3 - 0.7 I^2 I_x}{0.7 I^2} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow I_z = \left(\frac{3A^2 - 0.735}{0.7} \right) I + \left(\frac{5A^2 - 0.035}{0.7} \right) I_x + \frac{A^2}{0.7} \left[\frac{I_x^2}{I} - \frac{I_x^3}{I^2} \right]$$

for A = 0.7 \Rightarrow

$$I_z = 1.05 I + 3.45 I_x + 0.7 \left[\frac{I_x^2}{I} - \frac{I_x^3}{I^2} \right]$$

3 marks

Question 5[Exercise based on taught material]P.P.5

a) i) $y = g(V_c)$

for linear operation

$$f(x) = I_c = C \dot{V}_c$$

$$y = K \int x dt \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = K X \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dV_c} \dot{V}_c = K X \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy(V_c)}{dV_c} \frac{I_c \rightarrow f(x)}{C} = K X \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \frac{dy(V_c)}{dV_c} \frac{f(x)}{C} = K X \right\} \Rightarrow$$

condition for linear integration

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{K C X}{\frac{dy(V_c)}{dV_c}}$$

2 marks

ii) $g(V_c) = I_T \tanh(a V_c)$

$$\frac{dg(V_c)}{dV_c} = \frac{I_T}{V_T} \operatorname{sech}^2(a V_c) = \frac{I_T}{V_T} \frac{1}{\cosh^2(a V_c)} \Rightarrow$$

2 marks

$$\frac{dg(V_c)}{dV_c} = \frac{I_T}{V_T} \left[1 - \tanh^2(a V_c) \right] = \frac{I_T}{V_T} \frac{[I_T^2 - y^2]}{I_T^2} \Rightarrow$$

$$f(x) = \frac{K C X}{\frac{I_T^2 - y^2}{V_T I_T}} = \boxed{(K C V_T) \frac{I_T X}{I_T^2 - y^2}}$$

b) [New Exercise based on taught material] pp. 6

$$\dot{x}_1 + \omega_0 x_1 - \omega_0 x_2 = 0$$

$$2\omega_0 x_1 + \dot{x}_2 - \omega_0 x_2 = \omega_0 \mathcal{U}(t)$$

$$y = x_1$$

i) Applying Laplace transform:

$$(s + \omega_0) \bar{x}_1(s) - \omega_0 \bar{x}_2(s) = 0$$

$$2\omega_0 \bar{x}_1(s) + (s - \omega_0) \bar{x}_2(s) = \omega_0 \mathcal{U}(s)$$

$$D = \begin{vmatrix} s + \omega_0 & -\omega_0 \\ 2\omega_0 & s - \omega_0 \end{vmatrix} = s^2 - \omega_0^2 + 2\omega_0^2 = s^2 + \omega_0^2$$

$$D_{x_1} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & -\omega_0 \\ \omega_0 \mathcal{U}(s) & (s - \omega_0) \end{vmatrix} = \omega_0^2 \mathcal{U}(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x}_1(s) = \frac{\omega_0^2}{s^2 + \omega_0^2} \mathcal{U}(s) \Rightarrow \frac{\bar{x}_1(s) \equiv \mathcal{Y}(s)}{\mathcal{U}(s)} = \frac{\omega_0^2}{s^2 + \omega_0^2}$$

3 marks

$$\text{ii/ } X_1 = I_1 e^{V_1/V_T} \Rightarrow \dot{X}_1 = X_1 \frac{\dot{V}_1}{V_T}$$

$$X_2 = I_2 e^{V_2/V_T} \Rightarrow \dot{X}_2 = X_2 \frac{\dot{V}_2}{V_T}$$

$$V = I_u e^{V_u/V_T} \Rightarrow$$

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$$\left. \begin{aligned} \cancel{X_1} \frac{\dot{V}_1}{V_T} + \omega_0 \cancel{X_1} - \omega_0 \cancel{X_2} &= 0 \\ 2\omega_0 \frac{X_1}{X_2} + \cancel{X_2} \frac{\dot{V}_2}{V_T} - \omega_0 \cancel{X_2} &= \omega_0 \frac{V(t)}{X_2} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\left[\begin{aligned} C\dot{V}_1 + (CV_T\omega_0) &= (CV_T\omega_0) \frac{I_2}{I_1} e^{\frac{V_2-V_1}{V_T}} \\ C\dot{V}_2 + 2(CV_T\omega_0) \frac{I_1}{I_2} e^{\frac{V_1-V_2}{V_T}} &= (CV_T\omega_0) + (CV_T\omega_0) \frac{I_u}{I_2} e^{\frac{V_u-V_2}{V_T}} \end{aligned} \right]$$

Setting $I_1 = I_2 = I_0 \neq I_u = I_s \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \left[\begin{aligned} C\dot{V}_1 + I_0 &= I_0 e^{\frac{V_2-V_1}{V_T}} \\ C\dot{V}_2 + 2I_0 e^{\frac{V_1-V_2}{V_T}} &= I_0 = I_s e^{\frac{V_u-V_2}{V_T}} \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$Y = X_1 = I_0 e^{V_1/V_T}$$

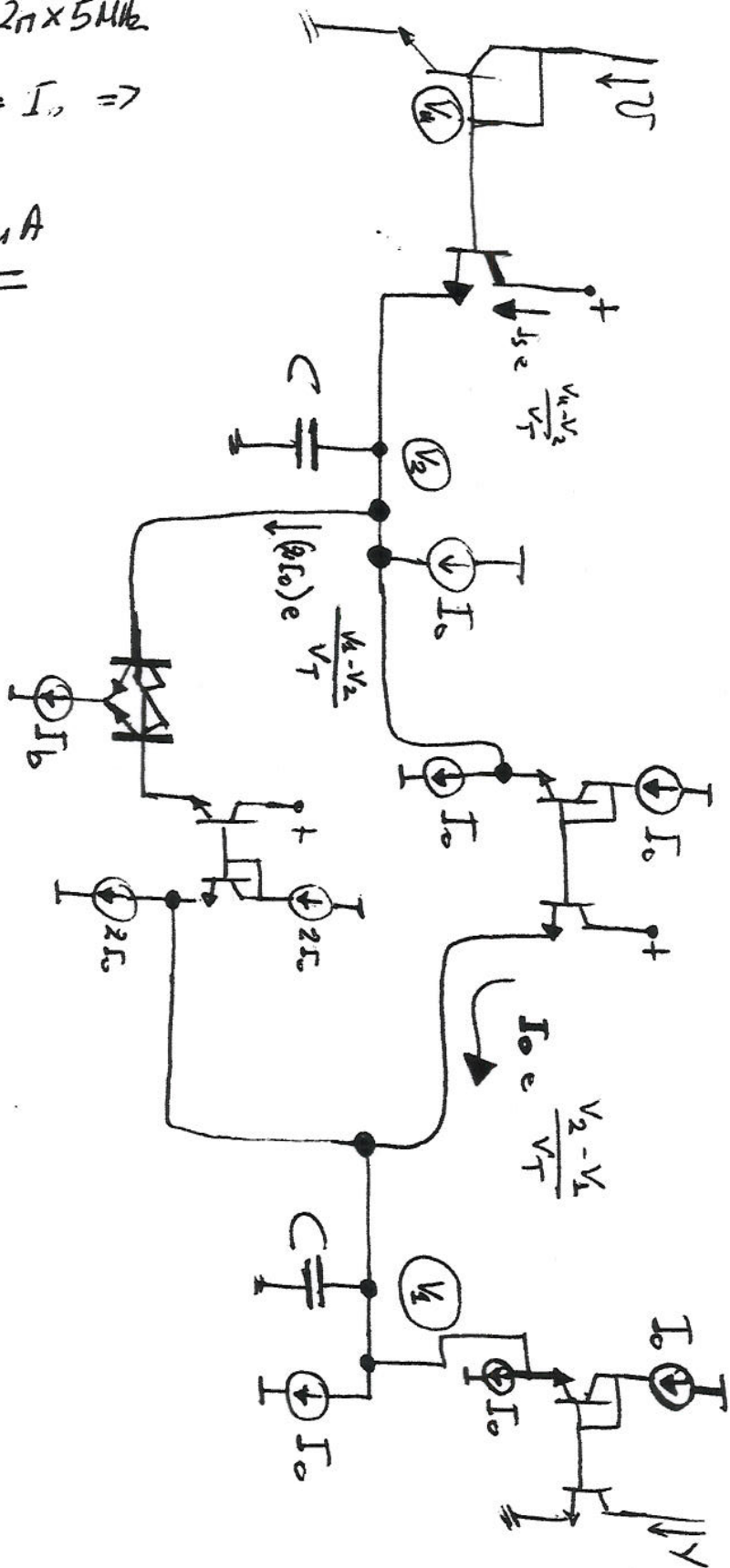
$$\underline{\underline{CV_T\omega_0 = I_0}}$$

6 marks

iii)

$f > f_p \quad 2\pi \times 5 \text{ MHz}$
 $\uparrow \quad \uparrow$
 $C V_T W_0 = I_0 \Rightarrow$

$I_0 = 6.13 \mu A$



7 marks

Question 6

[Bookwork]

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- a) Two N -port networks A & B must satisfy the following relation in order to be adjoint:

$$\sum_{n=1}^N (V_{A_n} I_{B_n} - V_{B_n} I_{A_n}) = 0$$

with V_{A_n} denoting the voltage at the n -th port of network A , etc.

Resistor $V_A = R_A I_A$, one port

$$V_A I_B - V_B I_A = 0 \rightarrow \frac{V_B}{I_B} = \frac{V_A}{I_A} \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{But } \frac{V_A}{I_A} = R_A \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow V_B = I_B \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ R_B!}}{R_A'} \Rightarrow$$

\Rightarrow The adjoint of a resistor is a resistor of the same value

$$R_A \rightleftharpoons R_B (= R_A)$$

Nullor



$$V_A = [V_{A1} \ V_{A2}] = [0 \ X]$$

$$I_A = [I_{A1} \ I_{A2}] = [0 \ X]$$

X denotes "any value"

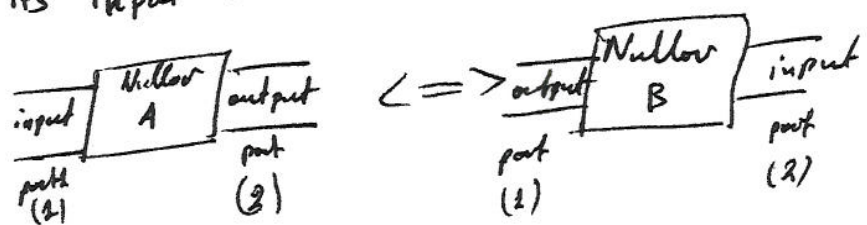
$$\text{Have I want: } \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ 0}}{V_{A1}} I_{B1} - \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ 0}}{V_{B1}} I_{A1} + \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ X}}{V_{A2}} I_{B2} - \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ X}}{V_{B2}} I_{A2} = 0$$

$$\text{Hence when } V_B = [V_{B1} \ V_{B2}] = [X \ 0]$$

$$\text{and } I_B = [I_{B1} \ I_{B2}] = [X, 0]$$

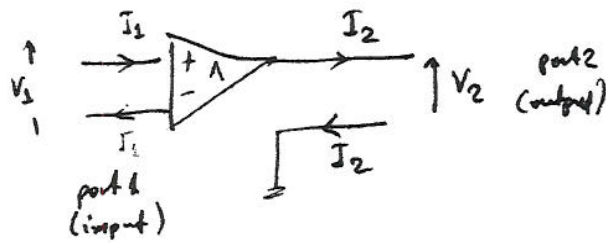
the relation is satisfied

Thus, the adjoint of a nullor is another nullor with its input & output ports interchanged



Voltage amplifier

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$$V_A = [V_{A1} \ V_{A2}] = [V_{in} \ A V_{in}]$$

$$I_A = [I_{A1} \ I_{A2}] = [0 \ X]$$

Hence,

$$V_{A1} I_{B1} - V_{B1} I_{A1} + V_{A2} I_{B2} - V_{B2} I_{A2} = 0$$

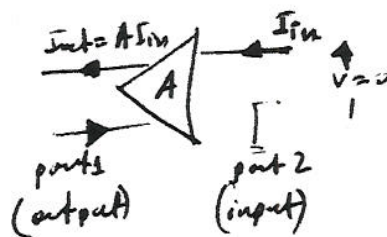
\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow
 V_{in} 0 $A V_{in}$ X

and where $V_B = [V_{B1} \ V_{B2}] = [X \ 0]$

$$I_B = [I_{B1} \ I_{B2}] = [-A I_{in} \ I_{in}]$$

then the relation is satisfied

Thus, the adjoint of an ideal voltage amplifier is a current amplifier with input & output ports interchanged:

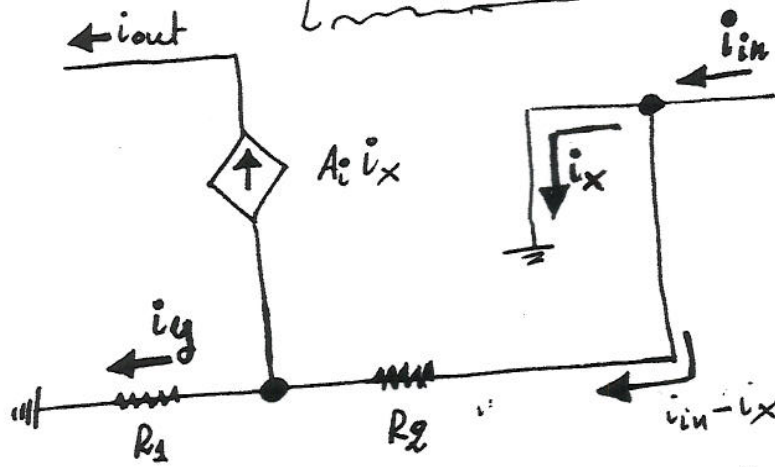


6 marks

b)
i)

[Exercise based on taught material]

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$$\left. \begin{aligned} (1) \quad (i_{in} - i_x) R_2 + i_y R_1 &= 0 \\ (2) \quad (i_{in} - i_x) &= i_y + A_i i_x \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{aligned} (i_{in} - i_x) R_2 + [i_{in} - (A_i + 1) i_x] R_1 &= 0 \\ i_y &= i_{in} - (A_i + 1) i_x \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow [R_2 i_x + R_1 (A_i + 1) i_x] = (R_2 + R_1) i_{in} \Rightarrow$$

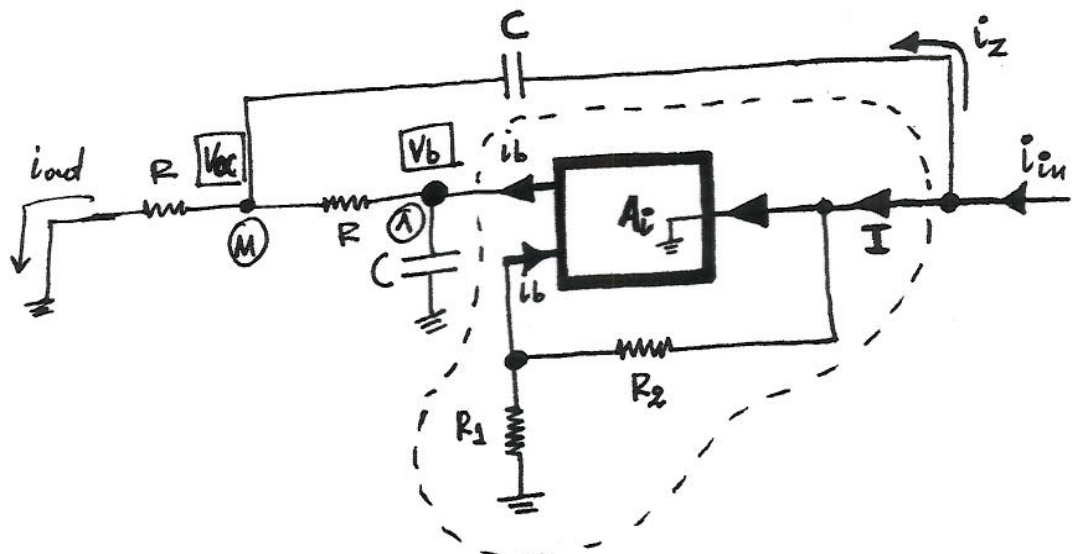
$$\Rightarrow i_x = \frac{R_2 + R_1}{R_2 + R_1 (A_i + 1)} = \frac{R_2 + R_1}{R_1 [A_i + \frac{R_2 + R_1}{R_1}]} = \frac{1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}}{A_i + (1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1})} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{i_{out}}{i_{in}} = \frac{A_i (1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1})}{A_i + (1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1})}$$

When $A_i \gg 1$, then $\frac{i_{out}}{i_{in}} = 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}$

3 marks

ii)



When $A_i \gg 1 \Rightarrow i_b = G I = G(i_{in} - i_z) \Rightarrow$ PP.12

$$\Rightarrow i_b = G(i_{in} + C\dot{V}_\alpha) \Rightarrow \boxed{i_b(s) = G[i_{in}(s) + CS V_\alpha(s)]} \quad (1)$$

KCL at \textcircled{M} : $i_z = i_{out} + \frac{V_\alpha - V_b}{R} \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow -C\dot{V}_\alpha = \frac{V_\alpha}{R} + \frac{V_\alpha - V_b}{R} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{V_b}{R} = \frac{2}{R} V_\alpha + C\dot{V}_\alpha \Rightarrow \frac{V_b(s)}{R} = \left[\frac{2}{R} + CS \right] V_\alpha(s) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{V_b(s) = [2 + RCS] V_\alpha(s)} \quad (2)$$

KCL at \textcircled{A} : $\frac{V_\alpha - V_b}{R} + i_b = C\dot{V}_b \Rightarrow$

$$\frac{V_\alpha}{R} + i_b = \frac{V_b}{R} + C\dot{V}_b \Rightarrow \frac{V_\alpha(s)}{R} + i_b(s) = \left[\frac{1}{R} + CS \right] V_b(s) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{V_\alpha(s) + R i_b(s) = [1 + RCS] V_b(s)} \quad (3)$$

Substituting (1) & (2) into (3):

$$V_\alpha(s) + RG[i_{in}(s) + CS V_\alpha(s)] = [1 + RCS][2 + RCS] V_\alpha(s) \Rightarrow$$

$$G(RC)S V_\alpha(s)$$

$$\Rightarrow [2 + RCS + 2RCS + (RC)^2 s^2 - G(RC)S] V_\alpha(s) = \frac{-1}{G} R i_{out}(s)$$

$$V_\alpha(s) = R i_{out}(s)$$

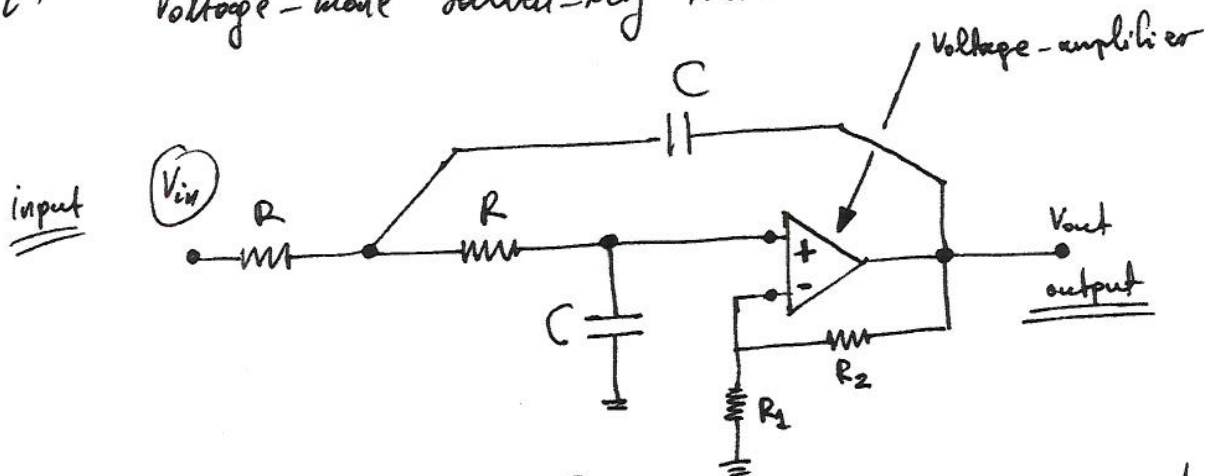
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{i_{out}(s)}{i_{in}(s)} = \frac{G}{(RC)^2 s^2 + (3-G)CS + 1}}$$

4 marks

iii)

Voltage-mode Sallen-Key filter

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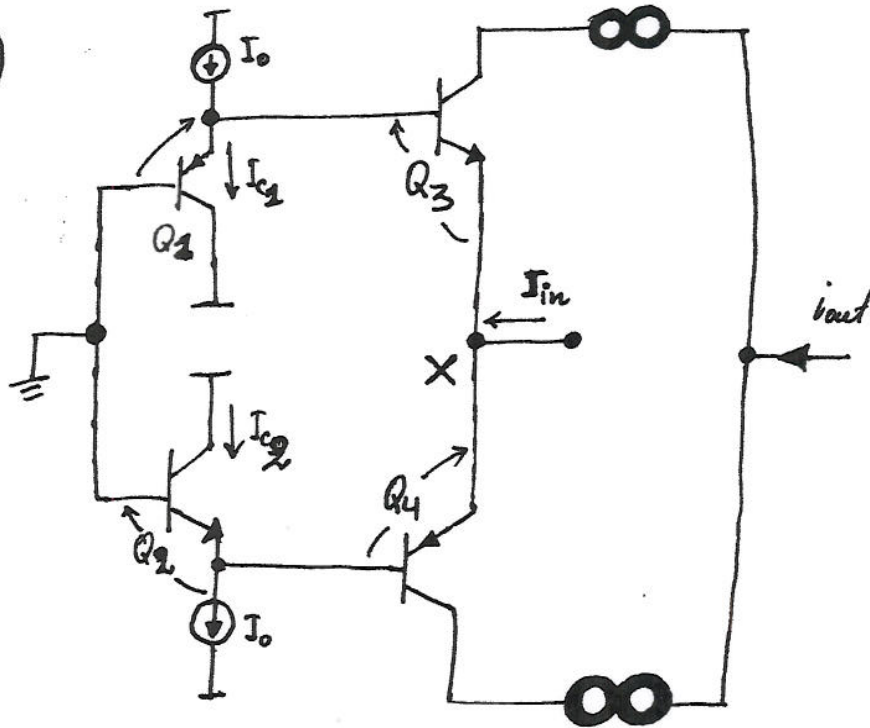


$$\frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{G}{(RC)^2 s^2 + (3-G)Cs + 1}$$

because adjoint
networks have
the same transfer
function!

1mark

c)



[Bookwork]

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i)

When $I_{in} = 0$, $I_{C3} = I_{C4}$ (assuming infinite beta & equal areas) \Rightarrow

By TLP: $I_{C1} I_{C2} = I_0^2 = I_{C3} I_{C4}$

$$\Rightarrow I_{C3} = I_{C4} = I_0$$

DC offset voltage

$$V_{offset} (\equiv V_x) + V_{be3} - V_{be4} = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{offset} = V_{be3} - V_{be4} = V_T \ln \left(\frac{I_0}{I_{sp}} \frac{I_{su}}{I_0} \right) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{offset} = V_T \ln \left(\frac{I_{su}}{I_{sp}} \right)$$

Small-signal R_x

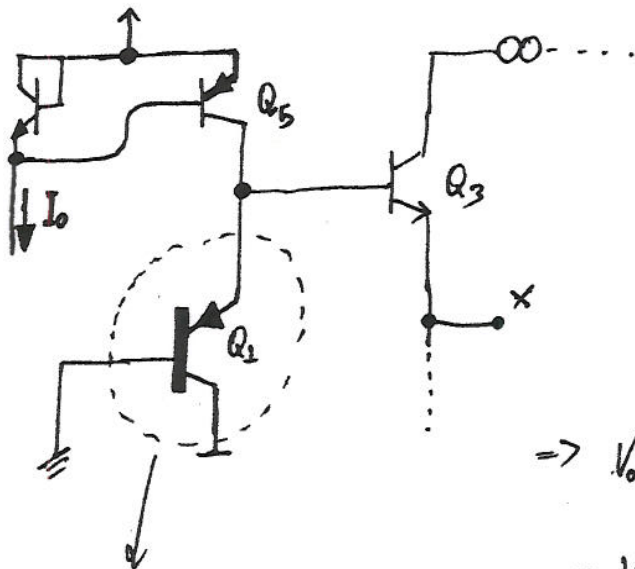
$$R_x = r_{e3} \parallel r_{e4} \approx \frac{V_T}{2I_0}$$

2 marks

ii)

Use of scaled current sources:

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In other words Q_1
looks like an npn
despite being pnp!

$$V_{be6} = V_T \ln \left(\frac{I_0}{I_{S1}} \right)$$

$$I_{C5} = I_{Sp} e^{\frac{V_T \ln \left(\frac{I_0}{I_{S1}} \right)}{V_T}} \Rightarrow$$

$$I_{C5} = \left(\frac{I_{Sp}}{I_{S1}} \right) I_0 = I_{C1} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{offset} = V_{be1} - V_{be3} =$$

$$= V_T \ln \left(\frac{I_{C1}}{I_{Sp}} \right) - V_T \ln \left(\frac{I_0}{I_{S1}} \right) =$$

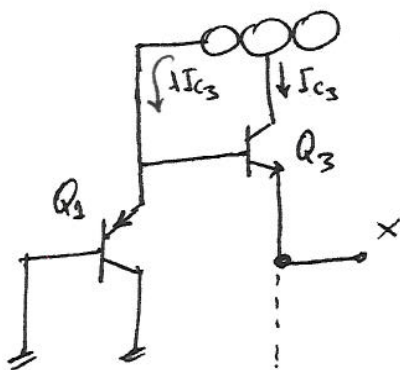
$$= V_T \ln \left[\frac{I_{Sp}}{I_{S1}} \frac{I_0}{I_{Sp}} \right] - V_T \ln \left(\frac{I_0}{I_{S1}} \right) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{offset} \rightarrow 0$$

2marks

iii)

Use of local current feedback



$$R_x = \frac{V_x}{I_x} = \frac{V_{be1} - V_{be3}}{I_x} \Rightarrow$$

$$R_x = \frac{V_T \ln \left[\frac{I_{Sp}}{I_{S1}} \frac{I_0}{I_{Sp}} \right]}{I_x} \Rightarrow$$

$$R_x = V_T \ln \left\{ \frac{I_{S1}}{I_{Sp}} \right\} \Rightarrow R_x \downarrow$$

$$1 \rightarrow 1$$

$$V_{be1} - V_{be3} \approx \text{constant}$$

2marks