

## EE303 - Problem Set

In the following problems, unless otherwise stated, assume  $\mu_n C_{ox} = 200 \mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2$ ,  $\mu_p C_{ox} = 100 \mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2$ , and  $V_{TH} = 0.4 \text{ V}$  for NMOS devices and  $-0.4 \text{ V}$  for PMOS devices.

### Problem 1

It is possible to define an “intrinsic time constant” for a MOSFET operating as a resistor:

$$\tau = R_{on} C_{GS}, \quad (6.79)$$

where  $C_{GS} = WLC_{ox}$ . Obtain an expression for  $\tau$  and explain what the circuit designer must do to minimize the time constant.

### Problem 2

In the circuit of Fig. 6.37,  $M_1$  serves as an electronic switch. If  $V_{in} \approx 0$ , determine  $W/L$  such that the circuit attenuates the signal by only 5%. Assume  $V_G = 1.8 \text{ V}$  and  $R_L = 100 \Omega$ .

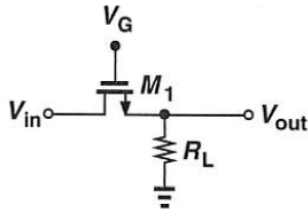


Figure 6.37

**Problem 3**

Determine the region of operation of  $M_1$  in each of the circuits shown in Fig. 6.38.

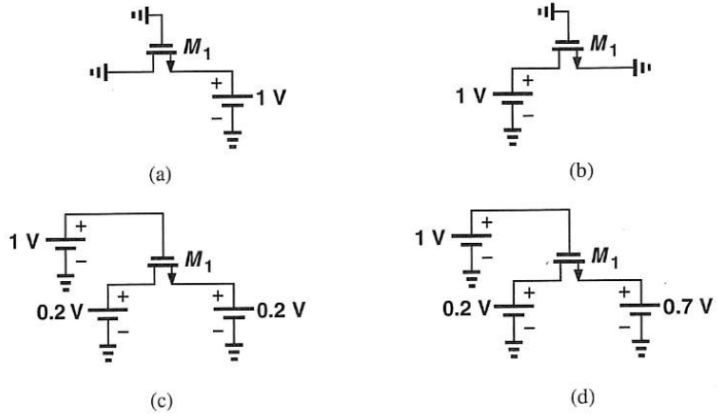


Figure 6.38

**Problem 4**

In the Fig. 6.42, what is the minimum allowable value of  $V_{DD}$  if  $M_1$  must not enter the triode region? Assume  $\lambda = 0$ .

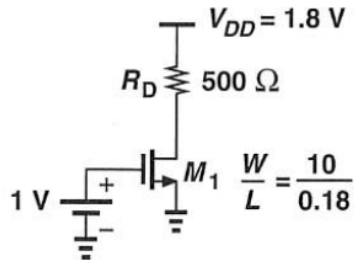


Figure 6.42

**Problem 5**

Calculate the bias current of  $M_1$  in Fig. 6.43 if  $\lambda = 0$ .

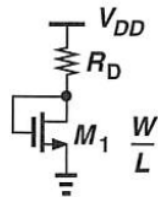


Figure 6.43

*Problem 6*

Determine the region of operation of  $M_1$  in each circuit shown in Fig. 6.51.

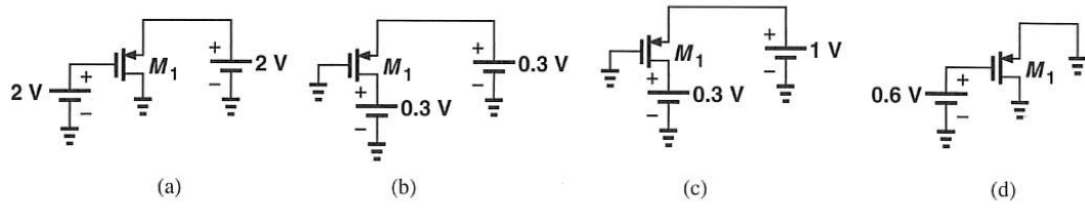


Figure 6.51