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ECE 20 - LAB

## Experiment # 12

MOSFET Amplifiers testing and designing

### **Equipment:**

You must make up a complete equipment list and have your instructor review it before you start.

## **Objectives:**

- To verify the operating point for a MOSFET biasing network
- To verify the small signal performance for a given CSC amplifier: RIN, ROUT, Av, Ai, maximum input amplitude without distortion Vin max, etc.
- To verify the small signal performance for a given CDC amplifier: RIN, ROUT, Av, Ai, maximum input amplitude without distortion Vin max, etc.
- To establish the relationship between the voltage gain and the load

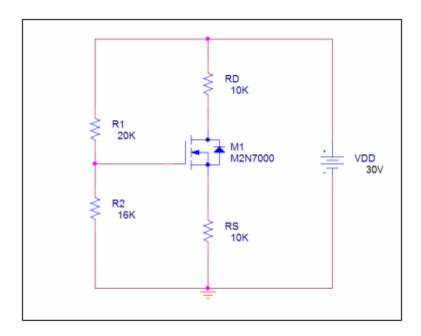


Figure # 1 – DC Biased MOSFET



#### 1.- (HW) Analysis

a. Analyze the circuit shown in Figure # 1 (use nominal values) and find VGG, VG, VS, VD, and ID

(assume **VDD** = 30 Volts DC, **K** = 64 mAmp/Volt<sup>2</sup>,**Vth** = 1.73 V). *note*: 
$$K = k_n$$
 (W/L)

- b. Assemble this circuit on SPICE
  - -For M1, use Part: M2N7000 (note: the student edition doesn't include this part)
  - -Analysis Type: Bias Type
  - -Show the DC Node Voltages and Currents, to verify your calculations

## 2.- Verification

a. Build and fully test the circuit shown in Figure #1. Measure VG, VS, VD, and ID using the DMM.



#### 3.- (HW) Analysis

Figure #1 can be configured as a CSC or CDC Amplifier. The DC Bias voltages and current remain the same as in Part 1 of this lab. Using the DC Bias Voltages & Currents that you have found, analyze the two different Amplifier Configurations below:

- 1. Refer to Figure #2 which shows the CSC configuration of the amplifier:
  - a. Find ROUT, RIN, Avo, Av (set RL=ROUT) and Ai (set RL=ROUT).
  - b. Also, find the maximum input voltage (Vin max) that the amplifier can accept before the output distorts (loaded and unloaded).
- 2. Create Figure #3, which connects Figure #1 in the CDC configuration.
  - a. Use a "shorting capacitor" CS, as was done in Figure #2, to short RD.
  - b. Find ROUT, RIN, Avo, Av (RL=ROUT) and Ai (RL=ROUT).
  - c. Also, find the maximum input voltage (Vin max) that the amplifier can accept before the output distorts (loaded and unloaded).

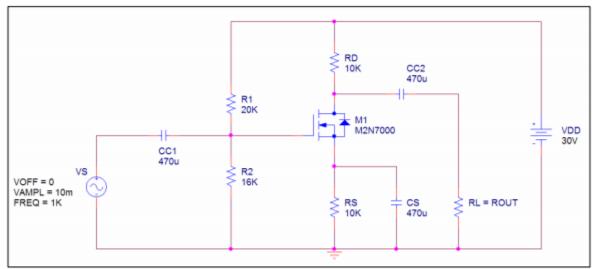


Figure #2 - MOSFET configured as a CSC (Common Source Configuration) Amplifier

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Figure #3 – (HW) Your design for MOSFET configured as a CDC (Common Drain Configuration) Amp is called Figure 3



#### 4.- Verification

Build and fully test the circuits shown in Figure #2 & Figure #3. Applying a sinusoidal signal, **Vs** (using the function generator), such that the small signal approximation holds (use Vs=10mV at 1KHz), measure:

- 1. Build the CSC Amplifier from Figure #2:
  - a. Voltage gain **Avo** the assembled circuit for the *unloaded* case (no CC2 or RL). Repeat and find Av with a load of RL=ROUT. Use the oscilloscope to compare VS to Vout
  - b. Find RIN (input impedance) and ROUT (output impedance) of the assembled circuit.
  - c. Find the maximum input voltage that the amplifier can accept before the output distorts (loaded case RL = ROUT). Plot the output signal and the corresponding input.
  - d. Determine the phase relationship between the input and output voltages.
  - e. Compare the measured results to your analysis calculations.
- 2. Build the CDC Amplifier from Figure #3. (<u>note</u>: This portion may be skipped to save lab time this is at the discretion of your GTA):
  - a. Voltage gain Avo the assembled circuit for the *unloaded* case (no CC2 or RL). Repeat and find Av with a load of RL=ROUT. Use the oscilloscope to compare VS to Vout.
  - b. Find RIN (input impedance) and ROUT (output impedance) of the assembled circuit.
  - c. Find the maximum input voltage that the amplifier can accept before the output distorts (loaded case RL = ROUT). Plot the output signal and the corresponding input.
  - d. Determine the phase relationship between the input and output voltages.
  - e. Compare the measured results to your analysis calculations.

**Hint:** Connect a large capacitor between VCC and ground in order to remove all the noise from the source. The noise is amplified and mixes with the output. You may also apply a bandpass filter to channel 1 of the digital oscilloscope to reduce the noise.



### 5.- (HW) Design of Common Source

Design a Common Source voltage amplifier (with shorting capacitor) similar to the one shown in Figure # 1. Use SPICE to verify that all the specifications have been achieved.

#### **Design Specifications of the Amplifier**

- VDD = 18 V DC
- RL=  $5 k\Omega$
- $|Av| \sim 30$  (with RL). |Av| > 30 is even better!
- 750 k $\Omega$ < RIN < 10 k $\Omega$  -- R1 and R2 should be in the k $\Omega$ range
- Vin max (before distortion)  $\geq$  60 mVpeak (when loaded with RL=5 k  $\Omega$ )
- Maximum Power must occur when loaded with RL= 5 k  $\Omega \pm 5\%$

(Recall maximum power transfer theorem related to Thevenin's theorem)

#### Assumptions:

- $K = 64 \text{ mAmp/Volt}^2 \underline{note}$ :  $K = k_n' \text{ (W/L)}$
- Vth = 1.73 V
- Vs = Vds = 1/3(VDD) ("Rule of Thumb" from textbook)
- **RD** = **RS**, and that  $r_0 >> RD$  and  $r_0 >> RS$
- Find R1, R2, RD & RS, as well as all voltages/currents. Show all design calculations.
- Compare the SPICE results to your design calculations and specifications and explain any and all differences.

#### 6.- Assembly, Test and Verification of Specifications

Build and test your design. Measure and verify that your design meets all the given specifications.

- a. Measure VG, VS, VD, and ID with no input.
- b. Measure Avo, Av (RL= at max power transfer), Rin (input impedance) and Rout (output impedance) of the assembled circuit.
- c. Find the maximum input voltage that the amplifier can accept before the output distorts.
- d. Measure the phase relationship between the input and output voltages.



## 7.- Conclusion

- a. Considering that these amplifiers are quite typical, what can you say about RIN, ROUT, and the Av for the CSC and CDC amplifiers?
- b. Based on your observation, what are the primary differences between BJT and MOSFET Amplifiers?
- c. Compare the measured results to your design calculations and specifications. Explain any and all differences!