EE435 Lab 3 Spring 2021

Current-Mirror Operational Amplifier Design

The current mirror op amp is shown below. This can be used as a standard operational amplifier in a feedback configuration though when it was introduced the primary focus was on using it in open-loop applications as an Operational Transconductance Amplifier.



- 1. Design this op amp in a 0.5 μ m process with supply voltages of V_{DD}=2.5V and V_{SS}=-2.5V. In this design, the lengths of all devices should be 5xL_{min}, the mirror gains M₃₅ and M₄₆ should be 10, the mirror gain M₉₈ should be 1, the power dissipation should be 1mW, and V_{EB} should be 100mV for all devices.
 - 2. Analytically determine the differential voltage gain, the BW, the GB, and the SR of this amplifier. Assume $C_L=20pF$.
 - 3. Analytically determine the output signal swing for a common-mode input of -200mV.
 - 4. Compare the results obtained in part 2 and part 3 with computer simulations.
 - 5. What is the 3dB bandwidth when feedback is applied to form a unitygain buffer?

- 6. What is the response of the unity-gain feedback amplifier to a 100mV step input with a common-mode input of -200mV?
- 7. Determine the poles and zeros using a Spice analysis for both the open-loop and closed-loop amplifier. The feedback should provide a dc gain of +1. Plot the two dominant open-loop and closed-loop poles.