

## **ECE202A Final Exam.**

This is a 3-hour exam. There are 3 questions. Please don't turn the cover page until the exam is distributed to everyone.

Use any and all reasonable approximations in circuit analysis, *after stating them*.

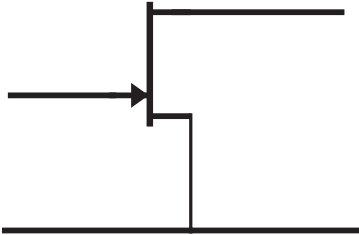
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**Problem 1, 50 points:**

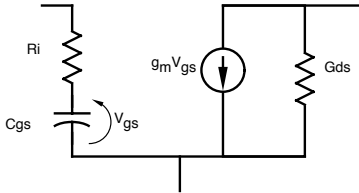
*Reactive-matched amplifiers, Stability, etc*

**Part A. 10 points**

*Properties of S-parameters*



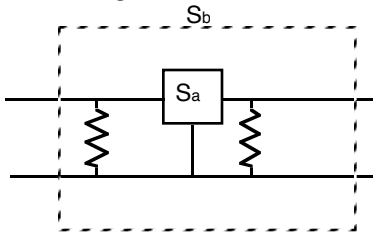
. Find the 4 S-parameters for a the transistor at Left in a  $50\Omega$  system at 10 GHz. The transistor model is shown below. The transistor has a 100 mS transconductance,  $R_i$  is zero,  $R_{ds}$  is  $500\Omega$ , and  $C_{gs}$  is 0.318 pF.





**B. 15 points**

*Mason's gain rules*

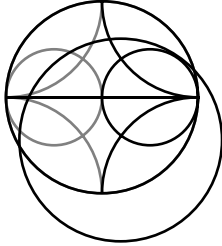


An amplifier ( $S^a$ ) has  $S^{a_{11}}=0.2$ ,  $S^{a_{22}}=0.3$   $S^{a_{21}}=5$   
 $S^{a_{12}}=0.1$ .  $50\Omega$  resistors are connected to ground  
on the input and output, thus. Find  $S^{b_{21}}$  of the  
overall network.

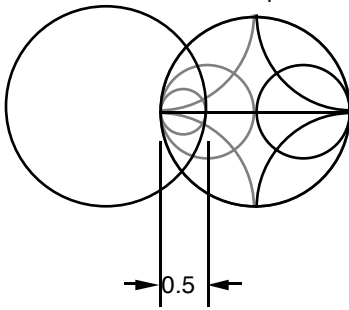
C. 5 points

*Stability again*

Input Stability circle



Output Stability circle

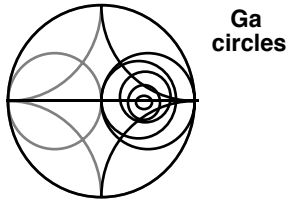


The stability circles for a bipolar transistor is shown to the left.  $|S_{11}|=2$ ,  $|S_{22}|=0.5$ . The system impedance is  $50\Omega$ .

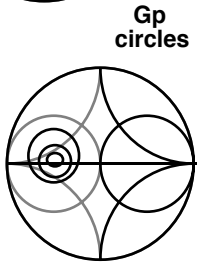
Show circuit diagrams for two methods of ensuring that the transistor is stable, together with the values of the components involved.

Part D, 10 points

*Power gain definitions, impedance matching*

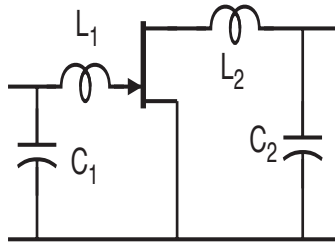


**Ga**  
circles



**Gp**  
circles

Ga and Gp circles for the transistor are shown at left (10 GHz). The center of the Ga circles is  $\Gamma=+0.5$ , and the center of the Gp circles is  $\Gamma=-0.25$ .



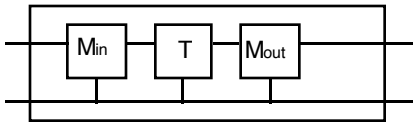
Using the Smith chart, find the values of the components required to Match the amplifier to a  $50\Omega$  system at 5 GHz.



E. 10 points

*Power Gain Relationships*

Amplifier A



An transistor ( $S^t$ ) has  $S_{11}^t=0.5$ ,  $S_{22}^t=0.25$   
 $S_{21}^t=10$   $S_{12}^t=0$ , given a 50 ohm impedance  
definition

The generator is 25 ohms, the load is 75 ohms.

Impedance-matching networks are connected to the  
amplifier input and output, creating an amplifier A.

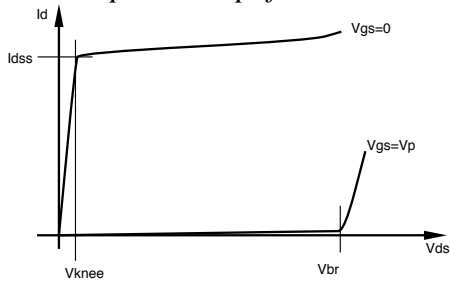
- 1) Find the MAGNITUDES of the 4 S-parameters  
of the amplifier A
- 2) Find the transducer power gain of the amplifier  
given that the generator is 25 ohms and the load is  
75 ohms.
- 3) Find the transducer power gain of the amplifier  
if connected to a  $50\Omega$  generator and load.





**Problem 2, 20 points:**

*Class-A power amplifiers*



On the right are a SiC MESFET's output characteristics.  $V_{knee}=5V$ ,  $V_{br}=105V$ ,  $I_{dss}= 200$  mA per millimeter of Gate Width. .

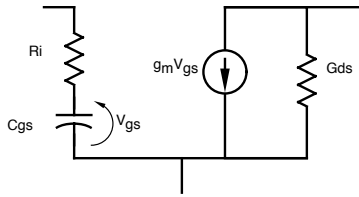
A: 5 points: We want to design a 1 kW class-a power amplifier. What Gate Width is required?

B: 5 points: What is the load impedance required for this?

C: 5 points: What would be the DC-to-RF efficiency?

D: 5 points: If the load impedance was increased 30% from this value, what would be the maximum output power?

**Problem 3, 30 points:**  
*Design Problem*



The transistor at left has 1000 mS/mm transconductance,  $R_i=1/g_m$ , a 160 GHz current gain cutoff frequency and a 250 GHz power gain cutoff frequency

The parameters above are obtained with  $V_{ds}=2$  V and  $V_{gs}=-0.2$  Volts.

It is desired to have an amplifier with 15 dB gain and 100 GHz bandwidth at the 3-dB-point. You will use resistive feedback amplifiers, probably several cascaded stages. Design such a amplifier, showing your calculations for all relevant parameters, and give a full circuit diagram.





