

For the shown circuit, determine the maximum value of R so that M_2 is saturated. What is I ?

$$V_{GS1} = V_{GS2}$$

$$\text{But } I_{D1} = \frac{K_n}{2} (V_{GS1} - V_{th})^2$$

$$10^{-3} = \frac{2.0 \times 10^{-3}}{2} (V_{GS1} - 1)^2$$

$$\therefore \pm 1 = V_{GS1} - 1 \Rightarrow V_{GS1} = 2.0$$

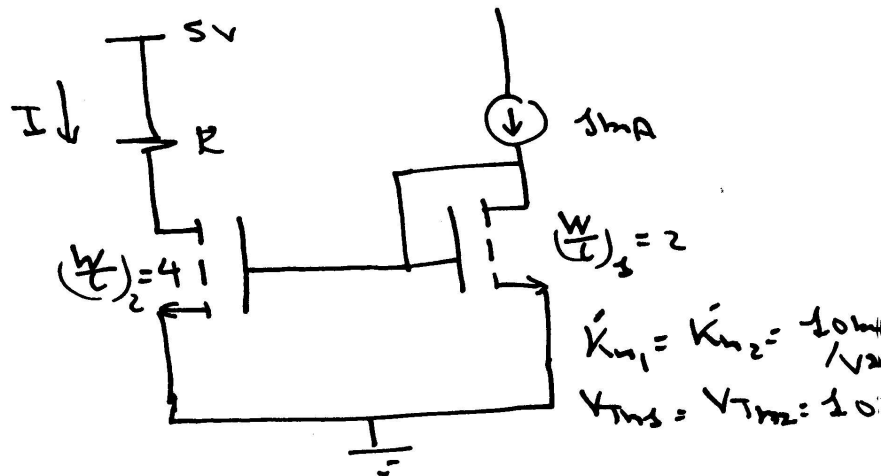
$$I = 1.0 \text{ mA}$$

for saturation

$$V_{DS2} > V_{GS2} - V_{TN}$$

$$5 - IR > 2.0 - 1$$

$$5 - R > 1.0 \Rightarrow R < 4k$$



Repeat the previous problem for non matched transistors

$$V_{GS1} = 2V \text{ still}$$

At saturation

$$I = \frac{K_n}{2} (V_{GS2} - V_{Th})^2$$

$$I = \frac{K_n}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_2 (V_{GS2} - V_{TN})^2$$

$$I = \frac{1.0}{2} \times 4 (2 - 1)^2$$

$$I = 2 \text{ mA}$$

* to remain in saturation we must have

$$V_{DS2} > V_{GS2} - V_{TN}$$

$$5 - I \times R > 1 \Rightarrow R < 2 \text{ k}$$

This circuit acts as a current source for certain range of load resistor

