

SPIRE COLD JFET PERFORMANCE VS VSS

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A feeble attempt to estimate the U401 source follower pair noise at low temperature, by adding a freezing temperature to the PSPICE model. The JFET temperature is derived from a heat balance.

$k_b \equiv 1.380658 \cdot 10^{-23}$ joule/K -> Boltzmann's constant;

Define the U401 JFET parameters:

$V_{TO0} \equiv -1.316$ volt -> JFET's threshold voltage,

$V_{TOTC} \equiv -2.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$ volt/K -> VTO temperature coefficient,

$BETA_0 \equiv 1.577 \cdot 10^{-3}$ amp/volt² -> JFET's transconductance coefficient,

$BETATCE \equiv -0.5$ %/K -> transconductance exponential thermal coefficient

$LAMBDA \equiv 0.01$ 1/volt -> JFET's channel-length modulation,

$KF \equiv 4.59 \cdot 10^{-18}$ -> flicker noise coefficient,

$AF \equiv 1$ -> flicker noise exponent,

$T_{nom} \equiv 293$ K -> reference temperature

$T_{freeze} \equiv 80$ $\delta T_{freeze} := 30$ K -> freeze temperature and interval

Define the source follower parameters:

$R_S \equiv 120 \cdot 10^3$ ohm -> source resistor value,

$V_{DD} \equiv 2$ volt -> Positive power supply

$V_{SSmax} := -5$ $V_{SSmin} \equiv 0$ volt -> Negative Power supply range

$T_{base} \equiv 20$ K -> JFET box base temperature

$G_0 \equiv 14.15 \cdot 10^{-6}$ W/K -> Membrane thermal conductivity @ $T = 0$ K

$dGdT \equiv 1.797 \cdot 10^{-7}$ W/K -> G thermal slope

Find the corrected parameters for the operational temperature

$$V_{TO}(T_x) := V_{TO0} + V_{TOTC} \cdot (T_x - T_{nom})$$

$$BETA(T_x) := \text{if} \left[T_x > T_{freeze}, BETA_0 \cdot 1.01^{BETATCE \cdot (T_x - T_{nom})} \cdot \left[1 - \exp \left[- \left(\frac{T_x - T_{freeze}}{\delta T_{freeze}} \right)^2 \right] \right], 0 \right]$$

Define the equation for the drain current in saturation mode -> $0 < V_{gs} - V_{TO} < V_{ds}$

$$ID(V_{GS}, T_x) := BETA(T_x) \cdot [1 + LAMBDA \cdot (V_{DD} + V_{GS})] \cdot (V_{GS} - V_{TO}(T_x))^2$$

Define the equation for the VGS of a source follower

$$\begin{aligned} x := 0 \quad V_{GS}(V_{SS}, T_x) &:= \text{root}[x + V_{SS} + (ID(x, T_x)) \cdot R_S, x] & V_{GS}(-0, 120) &= -0.836 \\ V_{GS1}(V_{SS}, T_x) &:= V_{GS}(V_{SS} + 0.0001, T_x) & V_{GS1}(-0, 120) &= -0.836 \end{aligned}$$

Define the dissipated electrical power of the stage

$$PE(V_{SS}, T_x) := ID(V_{GS}(V_{SS}, T_x), T_x) \cdot (V_{DD} - V_{SS}) \cdot 2$$

$$PE24(V_{SS}, T_x) := ID(V_{GS}(V_{SS}, T_x), T_x) \cdot (V_{DD} - V_{SS}) \cdot 48 \quad PE24(-5, 120) = 0.016$$

Define the equation for the membrane thermal conductivity:

$$G(T_x) := G_0 + dGdT \cdot T_x \quad G(120) = 3.571 \times 10^{-5}$$

Define the equation for the JFET temperature:

$$T_x := T_{nom} \quad T_{JF}(V_{SS}) := \text{root}\left(T_{base} + \frac{PE24(V_{SS}, T_x)}{G(T_x)} - T_x, T_x\right) \quad T_{JF}(-1.65) = 120.207$$

Define the equation for the JFET transconductance:

$$g_m(V_{SS}) := \frac{ID(V_{GS1}(V_{SS}, T_{JF}(V_{SS})), T_{JF}(V_{SS})) - ID(V_{GS}(V_{SS}, T_{JF}(V_{SS})), T_{JF}(V_{SS}))}{V_{GS1}(V_{SS}, T_{JF}(V_{SS})) - V_{GS}(V_{SS}, T_{JF}(V_{SS}))}$$

$$g_m(-1.65) = 5.073 \times 10^{-4}$$

Find the single JFET output impedance and voltage gain:

$$Z_o(V_{SS}) := \frac{R_S}{1 + g_m(V_{SS}) \cdot R_S} \quad A_v(V_{SS}) := Z_o(V_{SS}) \cdot g_m(V_{SS})$$

$$Z_o(-1.65) = 1.939 \times 10^3 \quad A_v(-1.65) = 0.984$$

Find the total voltage noise of the NJ401, RTO and RTI, in nVrms/RtHz

$$ON(fx, VSS) := Zo(VSS) \cdot \sqrt{\left[4 \cdot kb \cdot Tx \cdot \left(\frac{1}{RS} + \frac{2}{3} \cdot gm(VSS) \right) + KF \cdot \frac{ID(VGS1(VSS, TJF(VSS)), TJF(VSS))}{fx} \right]}$$

$$IN(fx, VSS) := \frac{\overrightarrow{ON(fx, VSS)}}{Av(VSS)} \quad IN(150, -1.65) = 4.921 \times 10^{-9}$$

Find the total voltage noise of the stage, RTO and RTI, in nVrms/RtHz, and the output impedance

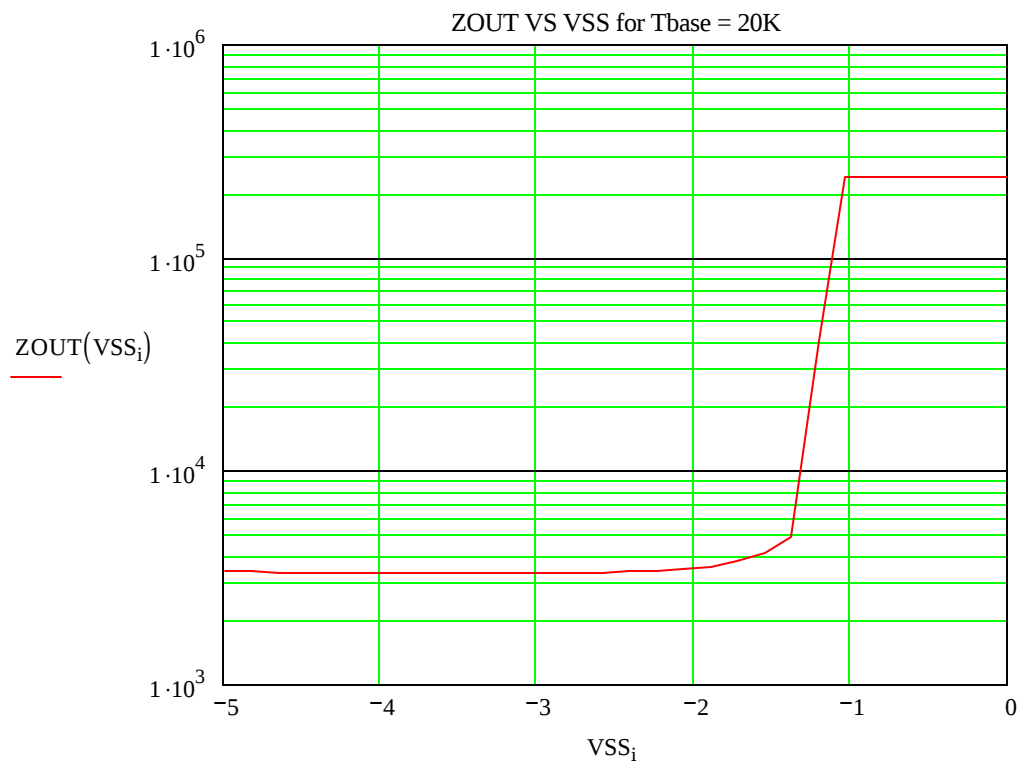
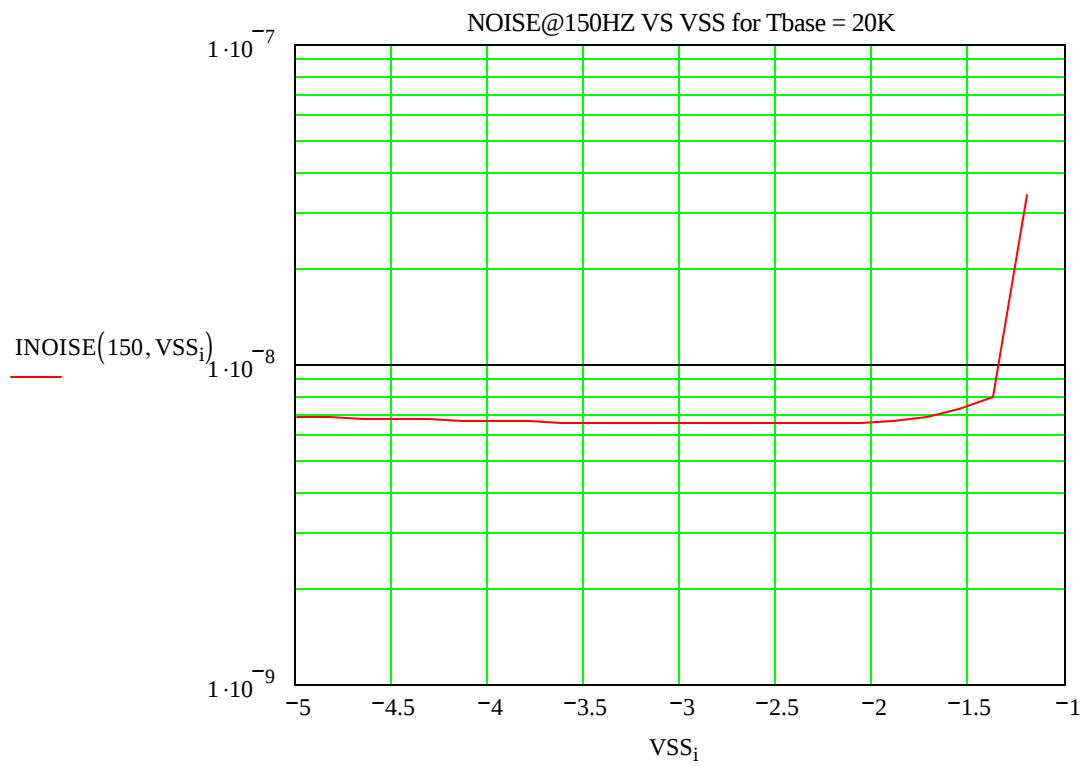
$$ZOUT(VSS) := 2 \cdot Zo(VSS)$$

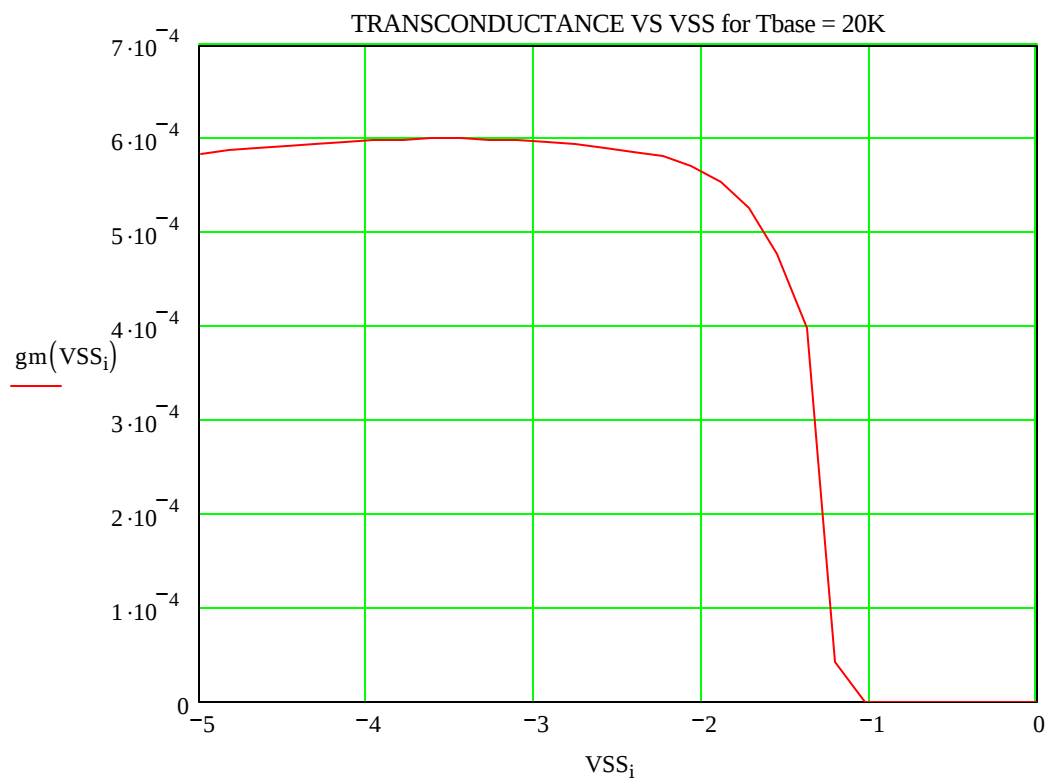
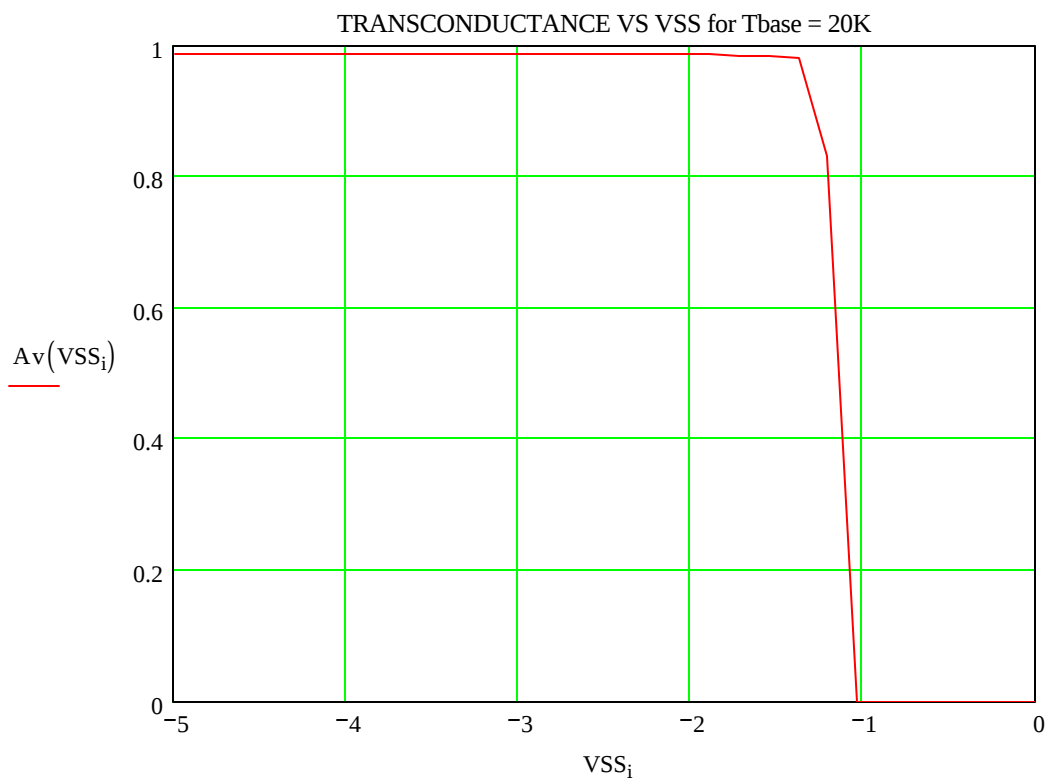
$$ONOISE(fx, VSS) := ON(fx, VSS) \cdot \sqrt{2} \quad INOISE(fx, VSS) := IN(fx, VSS) \cdot \sqrt{2}$$

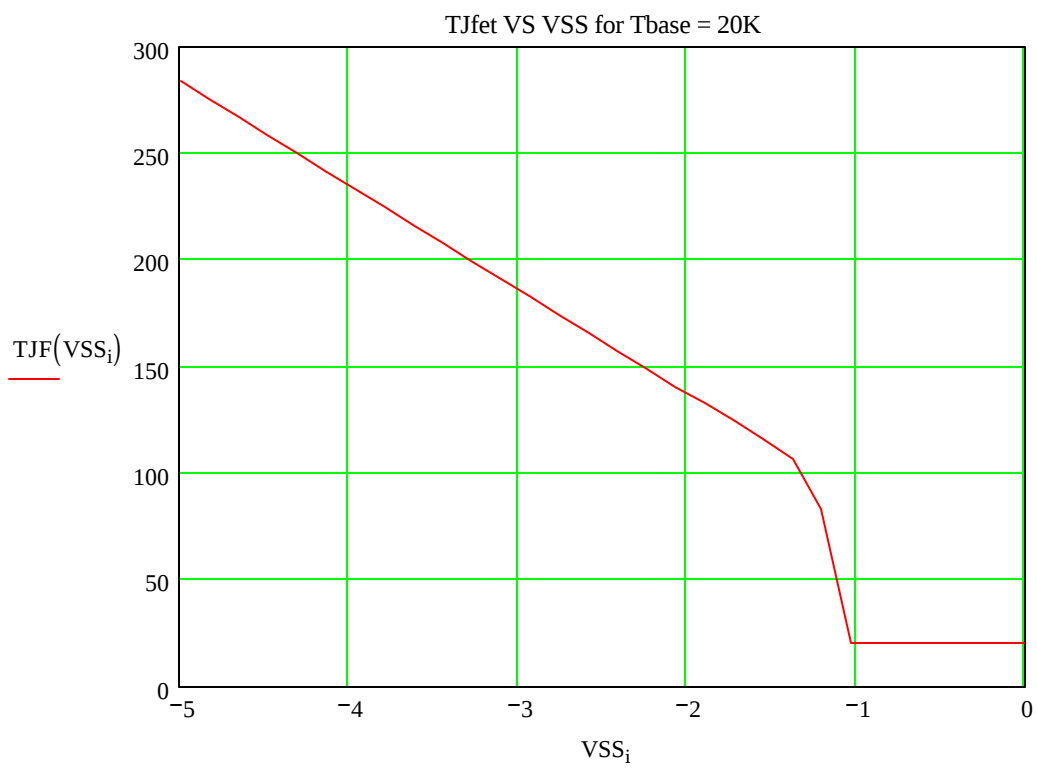
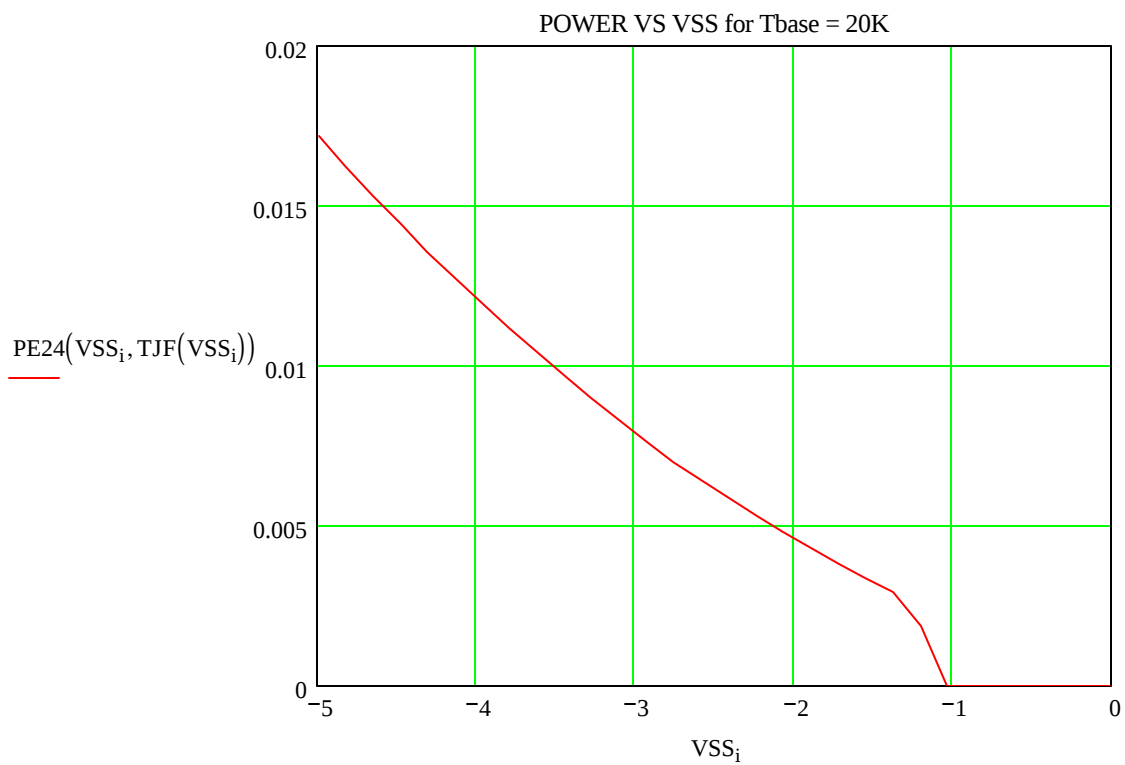
Define the VSS variable

$$N := 30 \quad i := 0..N - 1 \quad VSSmin = 0 \quad VSSmax = -5$$

$$VSS_i := VSSmin + \frac{(VSSmax - VSSmin)}{N - 1} \cdot i$$







Stage Thermal Conductance expression parameters (from the Jamie's plot)

$$m := 0..3 \quad Tg_0 := 76 \quad Tg_1 := 98 \quad Tg_2 := 118 \quad Tg_3 := 128$$

$$Gx_0 := \frac{2 \cdot 10^{-3}}{Tg_0 - 4} \quad Gx_1 := \frac{3 \cdot 10^{-3}}{Tg_1 - 4} \quad Gx_2 := \frac{4 \cdot 10^{-3}}{Tg_2 - 4} \quad Gx_3 := \frac{5 \cdot 10^{-3}}{Tg_3 - 4}$$

$$SGx := \text{slope}(Tg, Gx) \quad IGx := \text{intercept}(Tg, Gx)$$

$$SGx = 2.233 \times 10^{-7} \quad IGx = 1.033 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$Gxx(Tx) := IGx + SGx \cdot Tx \quad Gxx(120) = 3.713 \times 10^{-5}$$

