

Design & Simulation of Low Power Dynamic Logic

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Abstract—as far there is vast applications of vlsi circuit designing so regularly there is introduction of some new techniques goes on to make better of it , as traditionally static cmos found to have some problems regarding power consumption so standard dynamic logic introduced but as far as concern to make better of it ,there is domino logic, another technique that overcomes the problem of dynamic so there are different techniques introduced doing better than the previous one, similarly in this proposed topic there is another technique to make dynamic logic much better to perform regarding with its area ,power speed as well .The technique is “single transistor type dynamic logic” STTDL, using TANNER EDA tools for its designing and simulation.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Although static cmos logic has the lowest static power dissipation, but due to use of a p-type transistor for each n-type device in the circuit gives it several disadvantages as a consequence of it speed is degraded as well because the preceding gate has to drive two transistors, the use of larger number of transistors increases capacitance causing degradation of dynamic power dissipation which can be solve by decreasing number of transistor of one type while leaving the number of other complementary transistor unchanged. A logic which can resolve some of this problem is standard dynamic logic as shown in fig , driven by clock signal so also known as clocked logic. It consists of pull down NMOS / pull up PMOS logic block and an extra NMOS and a PMOS transistors, Clock is used to ensure that PMOS and NMOS transistors are not turned ON simultaneously , but this logic has problems when cascaded because of floating nodes during evaluation phase so to overcome this problem , domino logic is introduced with the use of an inverter. As for effective noise tolerant design techniques that incur little overhead in silicon area, speed and power consumption are highly demanded.

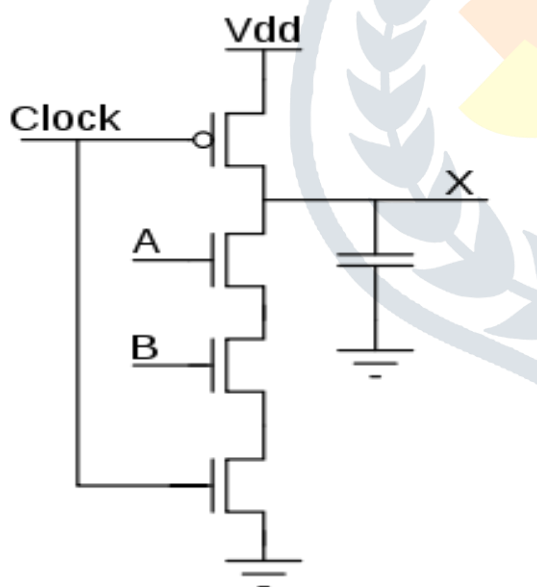


fig 1. STANDARD DYNAMIC LOGIC

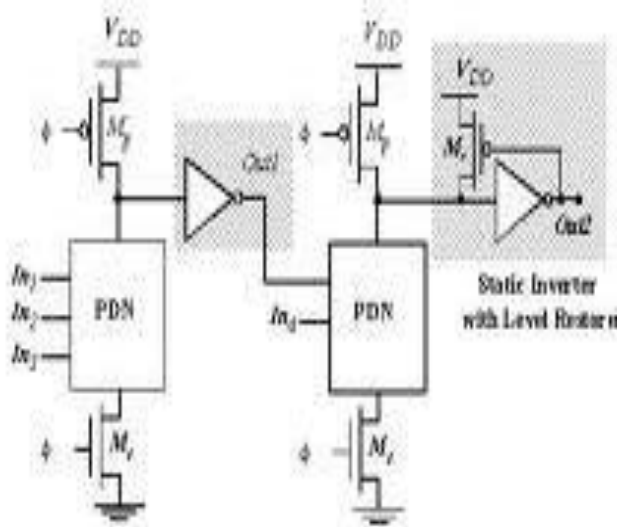


fig 2. Cascaded domino logic

There are several techniques improved and still improving to improve domino logic, In this proposed topic , another technique has been introduced to improve the performance of domino logic.

The present thesis describes STTDL, a Single Transistor Type Dynamic Logic that can be built entirely with either NMOS or PMOS transistors with the objective of using minimum number of transistors for implementation of a given logic function, proposed technique achieves better performance and simpler design compared to conventional domino logic.

In this proposed topic gated diode is used which is an essential part of it as shown in figure, GATED DIODE is a two terminal device basically used to precharge the boost voltage , gated diode is also known as variable capacitor as it drain and source is shorted

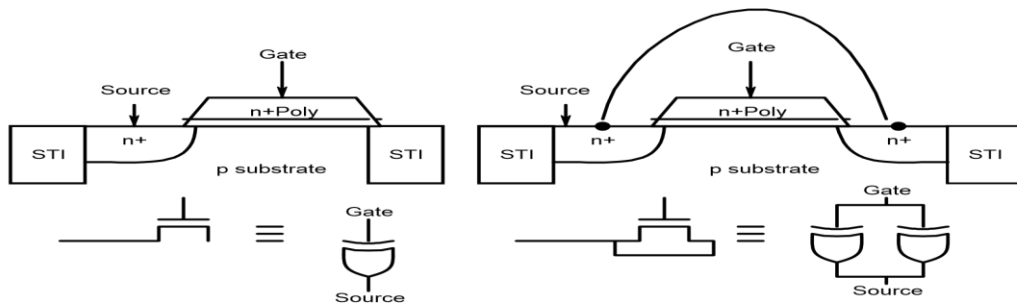
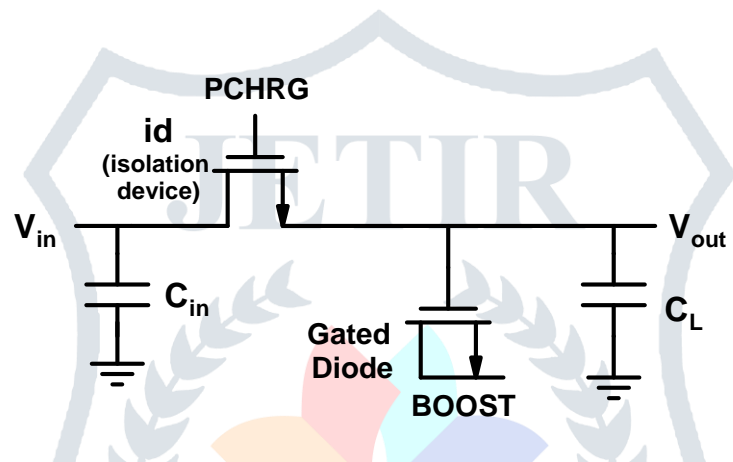


Fig. 3.1: Gated diode structure

Fig. 3.2: Gated diode structure with source drain shorted

This gated diode will also work in two phase :precharge phase and boost phase or evaluation phase ,as shown below.Inprecharge phase when precharge voltage is high and boost voltage is low ,node connected to gate terminal of gated diode will be precharged by V_{in} and when in another phase when precharge voltage become low node will disconnectedfrom V_{in} and boost signal will be precharged depends on precharge voltage,



$$V_{out}(Boost) \cong V_{out}(Pchrg) + C_{gs}\{V_{out}(P_{chrg})\}C_{gs}\{V_{out}(P_{chrg})\} + C_L \times \Delta V_s$$

Where,

$V_{out}(Boost)$ = Boosted output voltage when Boost signal high

$V_{out}(PCHRG)$ = Output voltage in precharge phase

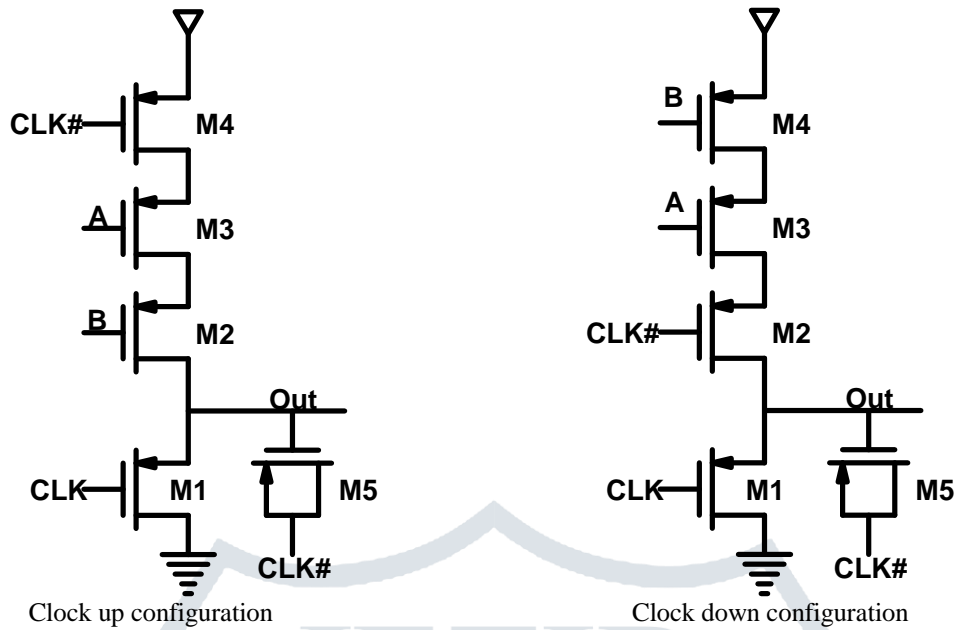
C_{gs} = Gate to source capacitance in precharge phase

C_L = Load capacitance

ΔV_s = Change in voltage across gated diode during between precharge and boost phase

With the help of this above explained gated diode proposed single transistor type dynamic logic is design as shown below the” **P type single transistor type dynamic logic**”

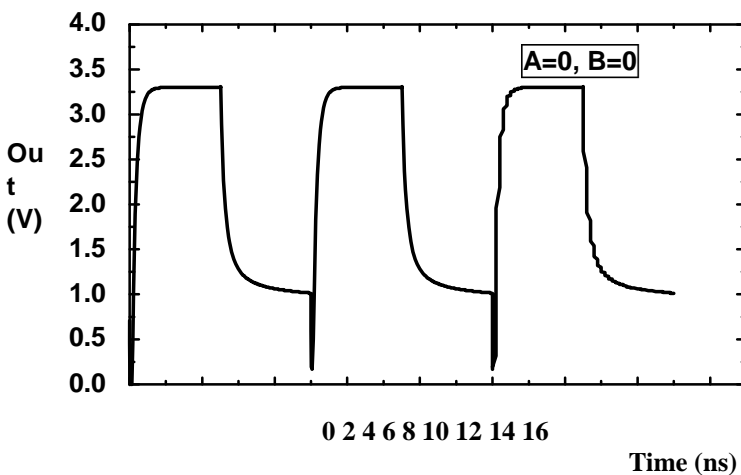
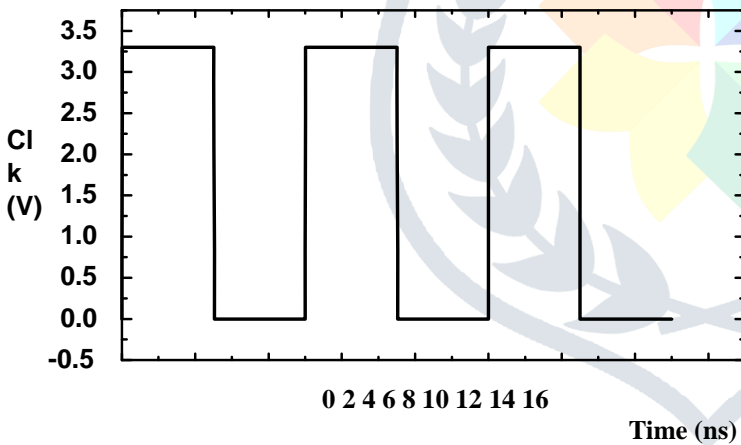
Below shows **the 2 input nor gate** design using P type sttdl ,here all the transistor are Pmos and gated diode M5 ,clock signal are used with inverted clock signal



P-type STTDL design

It works in two phase namely pre-discharge and evaluation phase. In the pre-discharge phase CLK signal is low and CLK# signal is high, resulting in discharge of node 'Out' through transistor M1. However, node 'Out' is not fully discharge due to threshold drop across PMOS transistor M1. This drop can be compensated by PMOS based gated diode M5. During the evaluation phase, CLK signal goes high and CLK# signal goes high. Depending upon the inputs A and B output will either be raised to VDD through pull-up network or discharged through gated diode M5.

Simulation results are shown below:



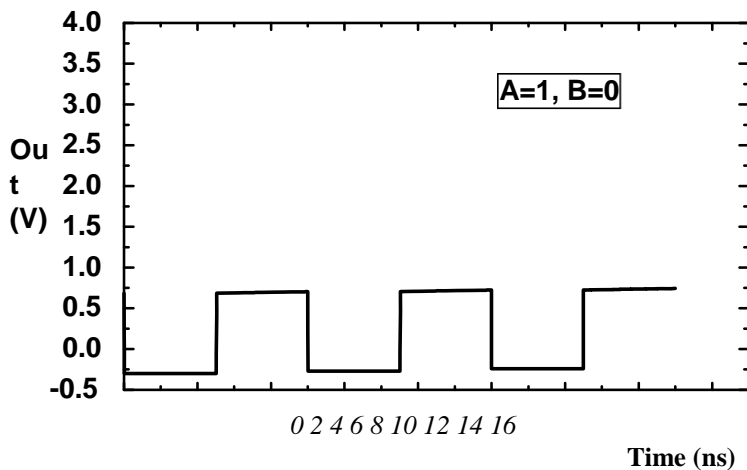


Table: Because STTDL uses only one transistor type, this design can achieve significant savings in silicon area. Table 1 shows a comparison of area for static cmos, domino logic and proposed P-STTDL NOR gates.

No. of inputs (Nor gate)	Area (Static CMOS) (μm^2)	Area(standard domino) (μm^2)	Area (STTDL) (μm^2)
2	32.595	43.99	26.04 (30%, 40%)
3	40.545	43.99	30.225 (25%, 31%)
4	48.495	47.17	34.41 (29%, 27%)

CONCLUSION: In this work, a new dynamic logic family, STTDL, has been proposed, which achieves higher speed, smaller area, and simpler design over the conventional domino logic. A key feature of these dynamic logic styles is the use only Single type of transistors (either PMOS or NMOS) for the complete logic design. Basic building blocks such as NAND, NOR, Half-Adder and a larger carry lookahead adder block were implemented to validate the proposed design

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