

## The project description: ALU

It is required to design the ALU shown in Fig.1 using circuit design tools (CAD). This ALU can execute arithmetic and logical operations. The operation of the ALU is described by table1. The output (arithmetic or logical) is selected by the MSB of the selection line, while the required operation is selected by the other 3 bits. Input (a), input (b), and output (y) are all 4 bits, Control signal (sel) is a 4 bits word.

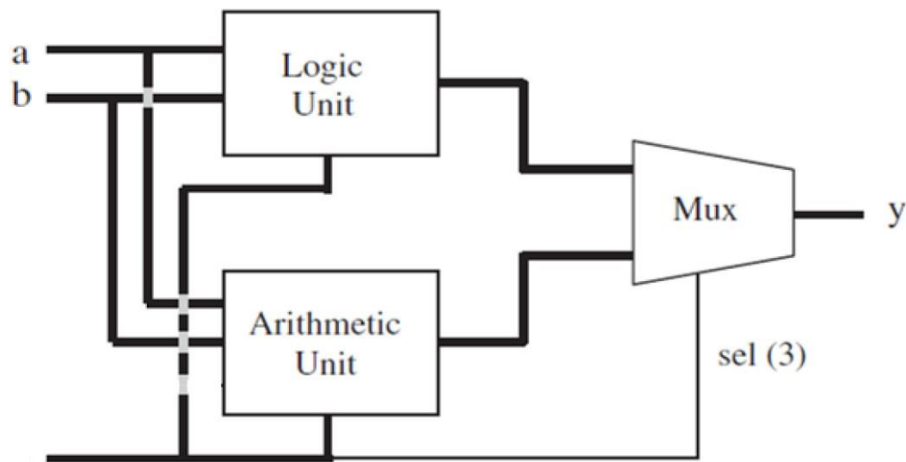


Fig.1

Table 1

Sel	Operation	Unit
0000	Increment a	Arithmetic
0001	Decrement a	
0010	Transfer a	
0011	Increment b	
0100	Decrement b	
0101	Transfer b	
0110	Add a and b	
0111	Subtract a and b (first compare which is smaller and subtract it from the other)	
1000	Complement a	Logic
1001	Complement b	
1010	AND	
1011	OR	
1100	XOR	
1101	XNOR	
1110	NAND	
1111	NOR	

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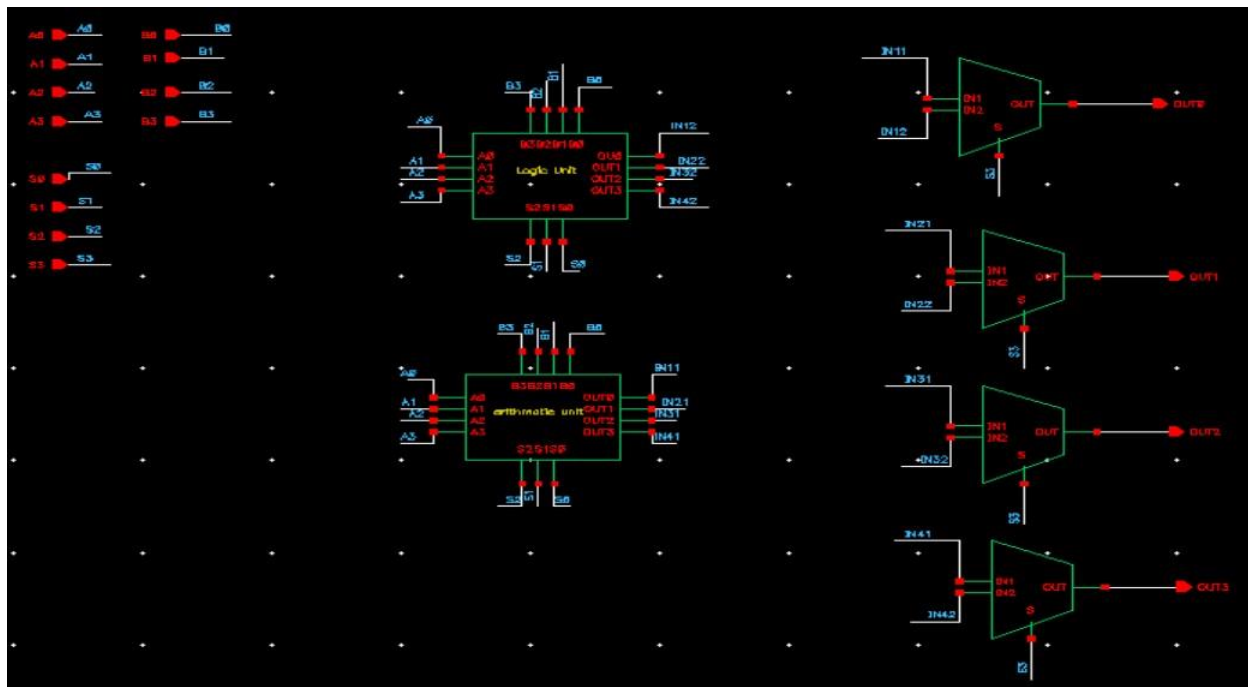
## Introduction

An ALU is a combinational logic circuit, meaning that its outputs will change asynchronously in response to input changes. In normal operation, stable signals are applied to all of the ALU inputs and, when enough time (known as the "propagation delay") has passed for the signals to propagate through the ALU circuitry, the result of the ALU operation appears at the ALU outputs. The external circuitry connected to the ALU is responsible for ensuring the stability of ALU input signals throughout the operation, and for allowing sufficient time for the signals to propagate through the ALU before sampling the ALU result.

In general, external circuitry controls an ALU by applying signals to its inputs. Typically, the external circuitry employs sequential logic to control the ALU operation, which is paced by a clock signal of a sufficiently low frequency to ensure enough time for the ALU outputs to settle under worst-case conditions.

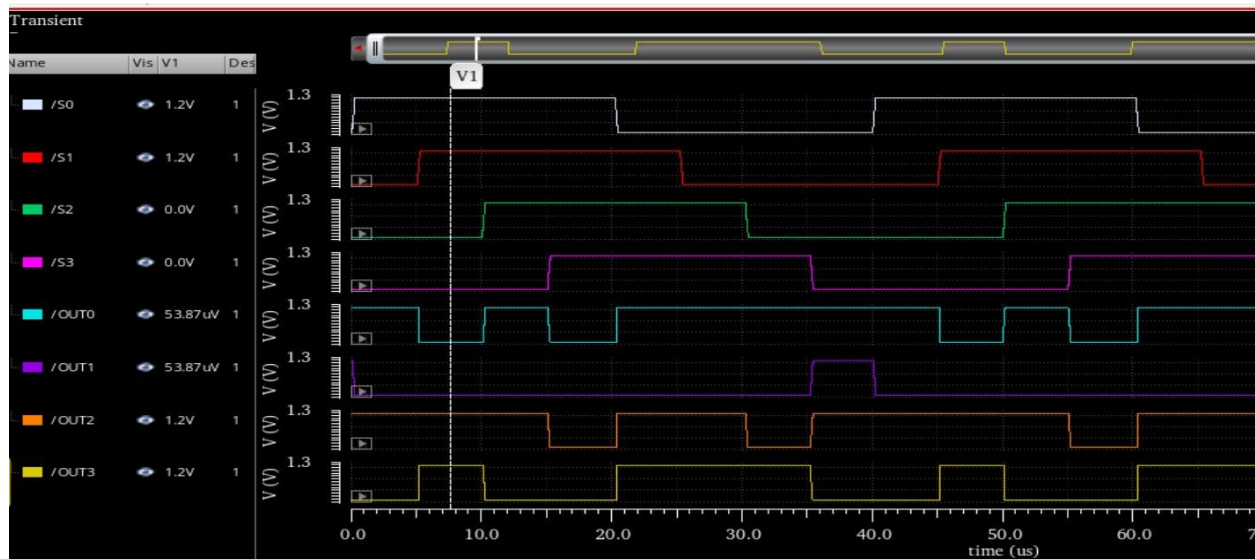
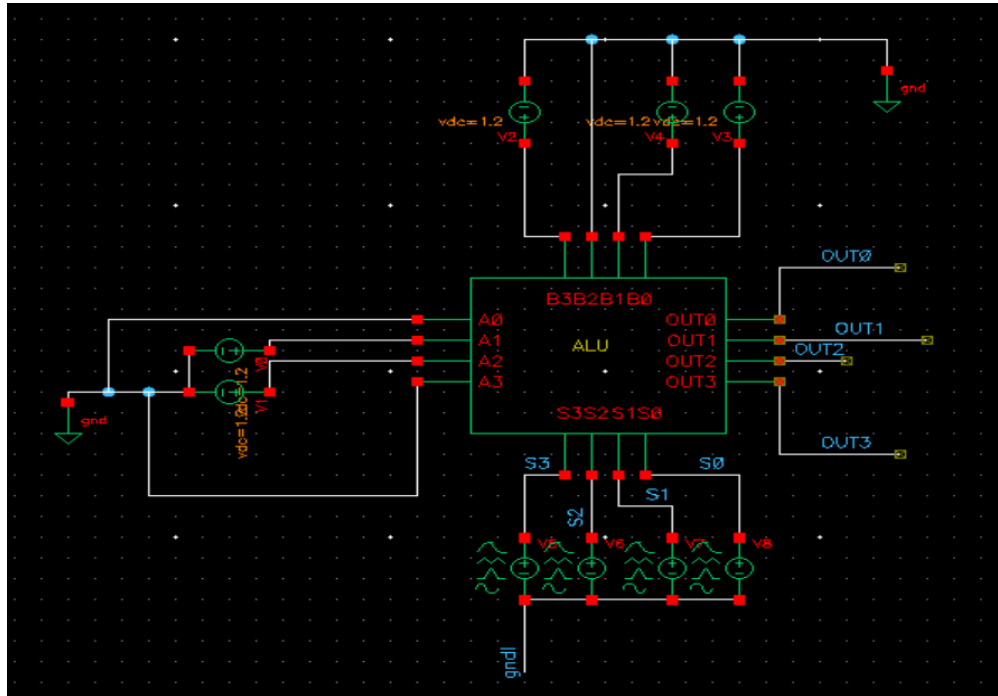
## 4Bit ALU Design

The ALU consists of 2 blocks the Logic unit and the Arithmetic unit the MUXs choose between the output of each block to be the output of the ALU there are 4 MUXs each responsible for one bit of the 4 bit output of the ALU



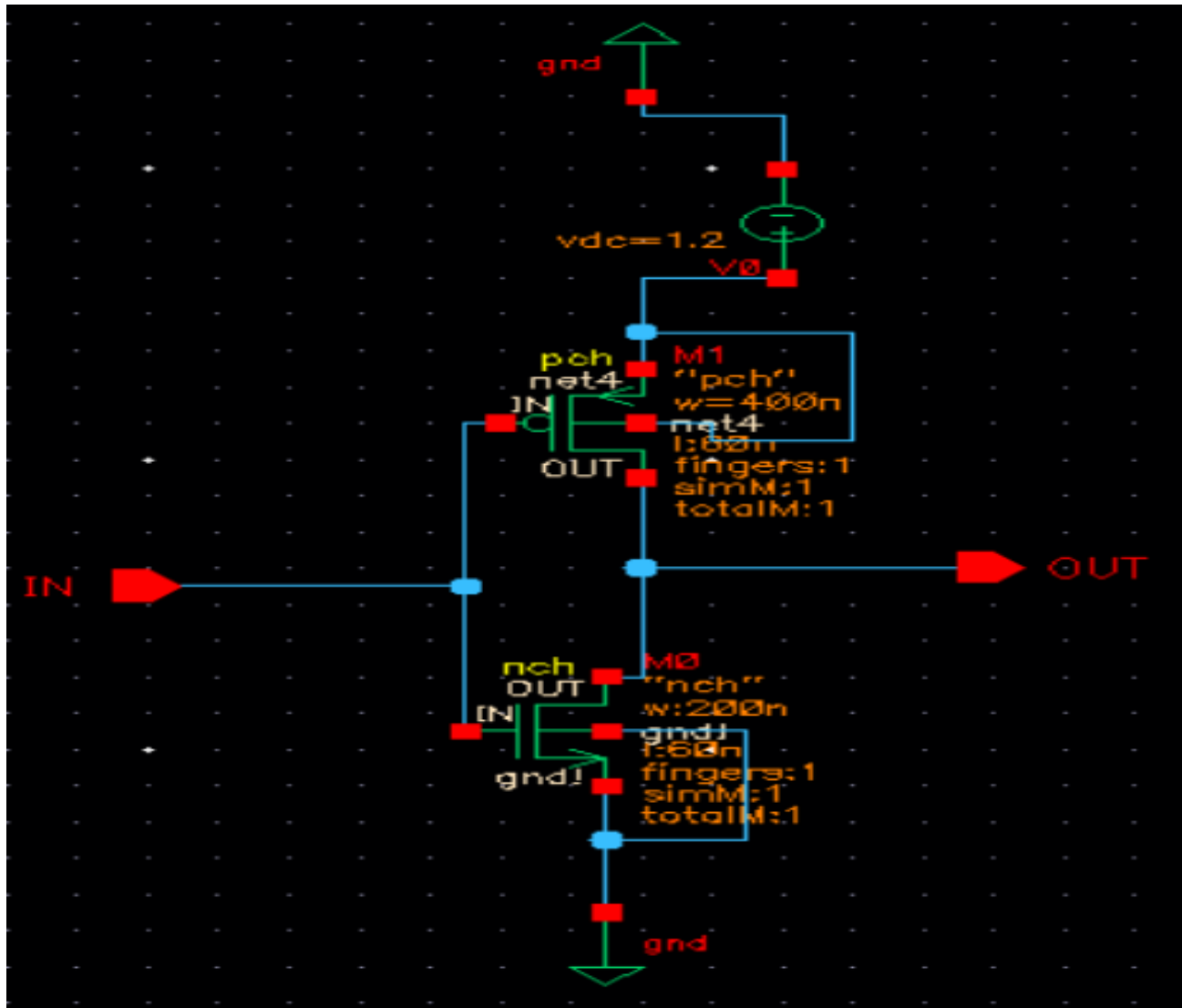
## ALU Test bench

The below testbench tests different outputs of the ALU when the inputs are A= 0110 and B=1011 while sweeping the select pins inputs

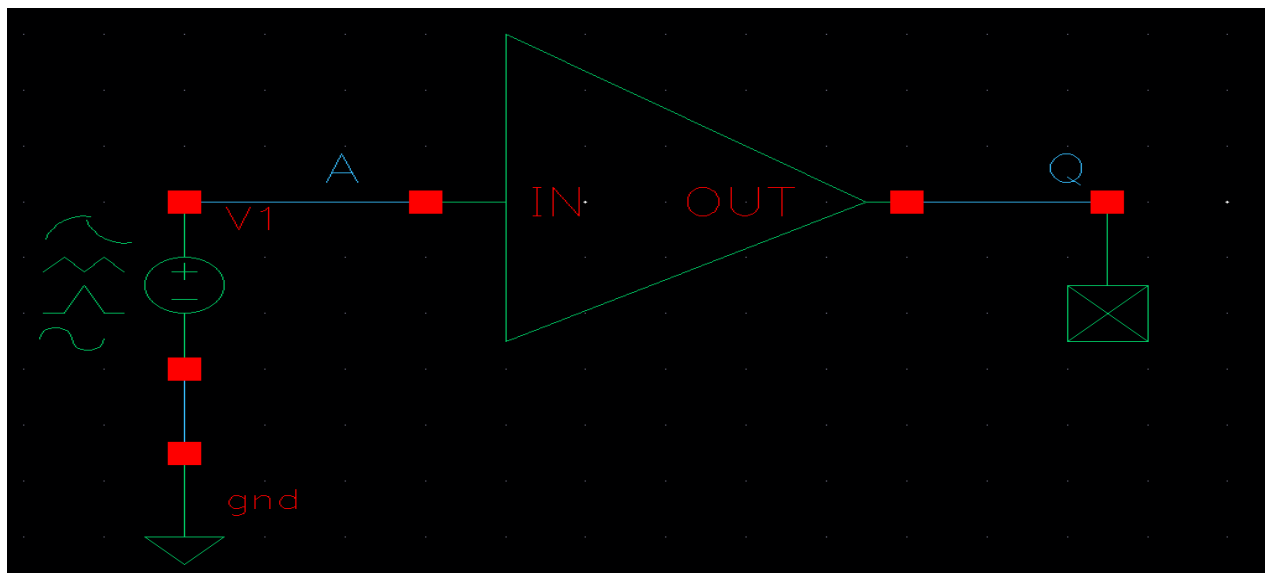


## Implementation of gates and MUX

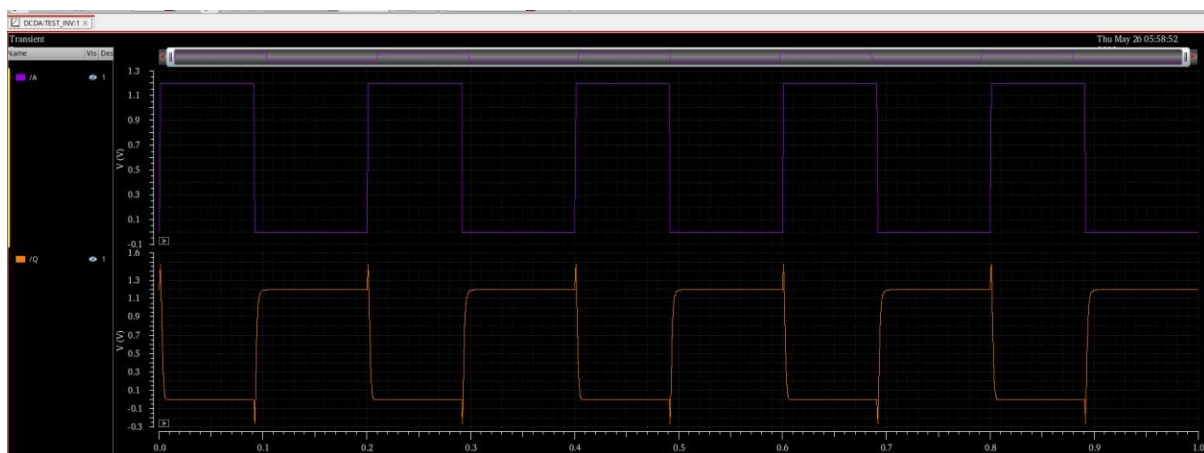
Complement a or b (inverter)



Inverter Design

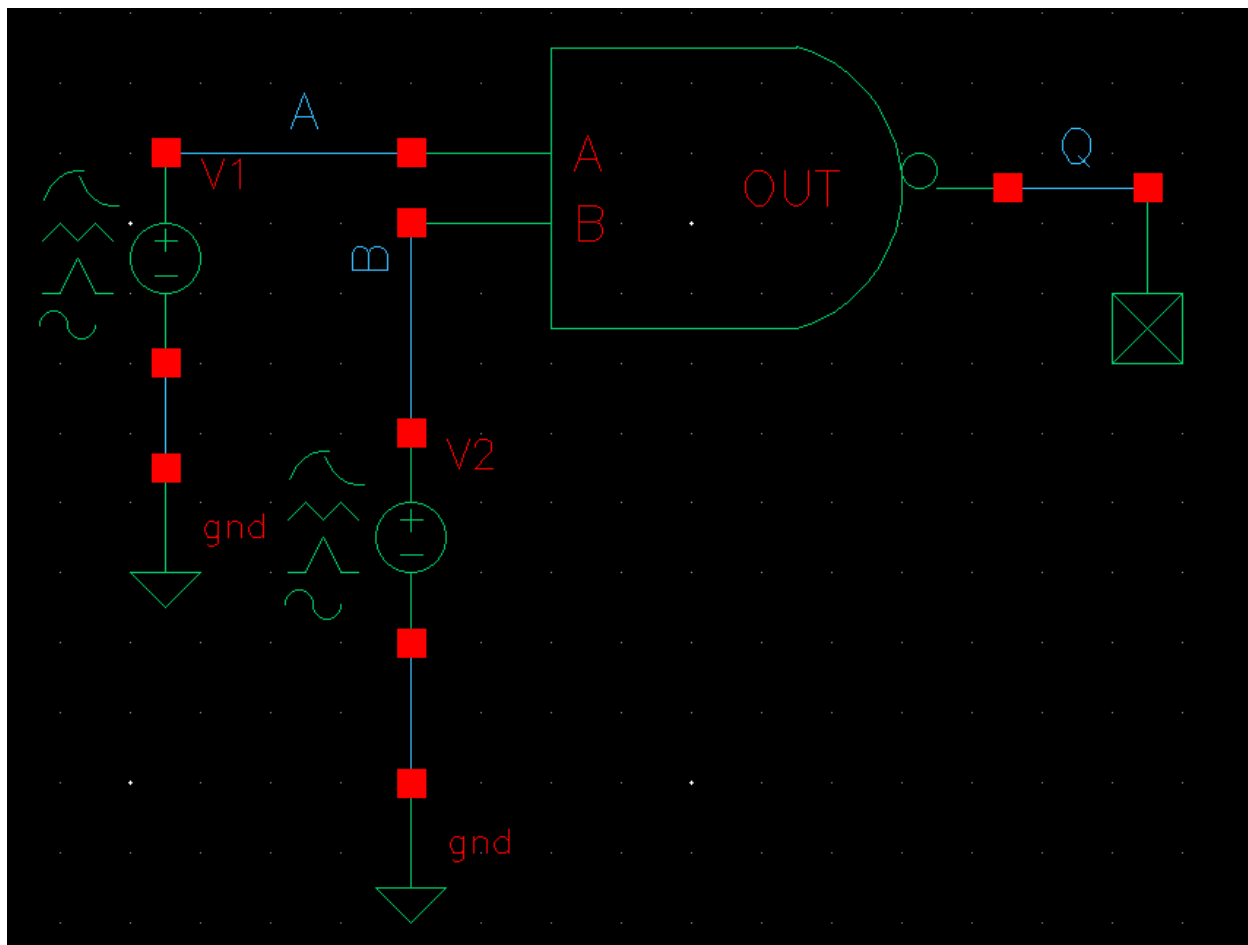


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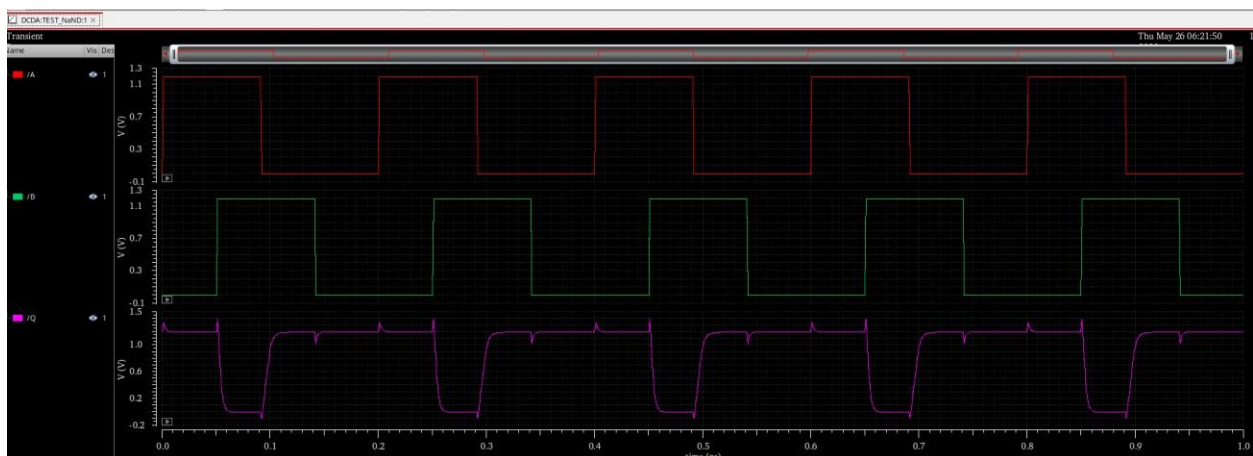


Inverter TestBench

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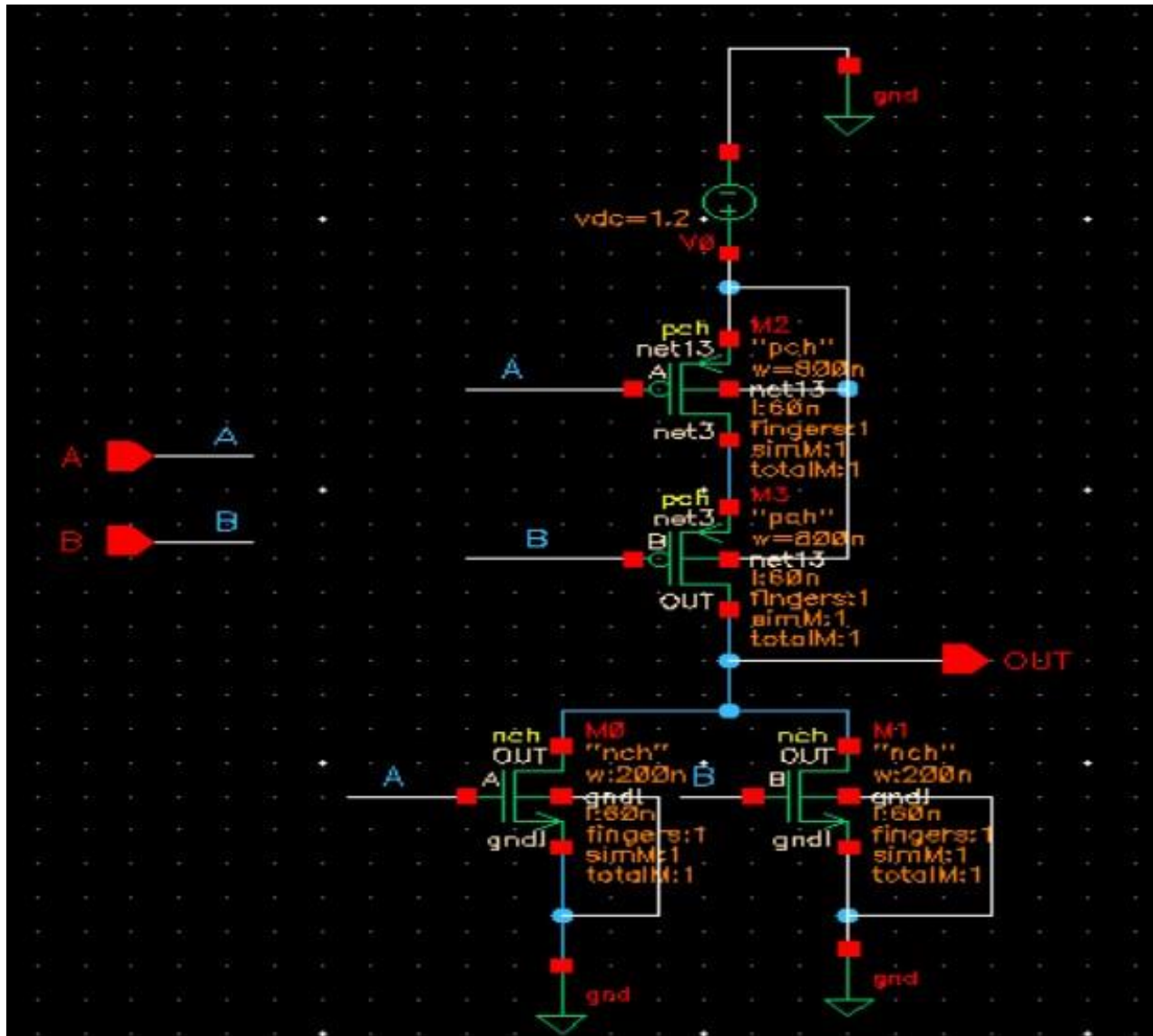
NAND Symbol



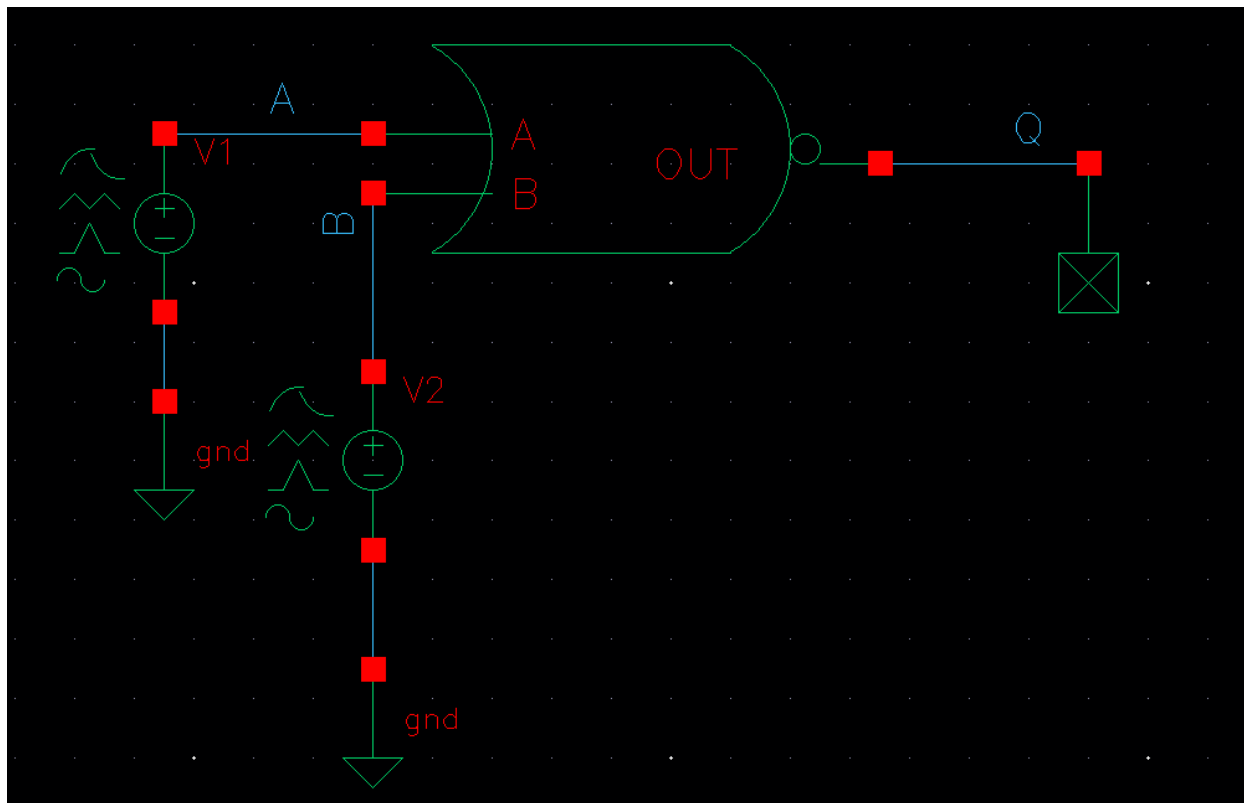
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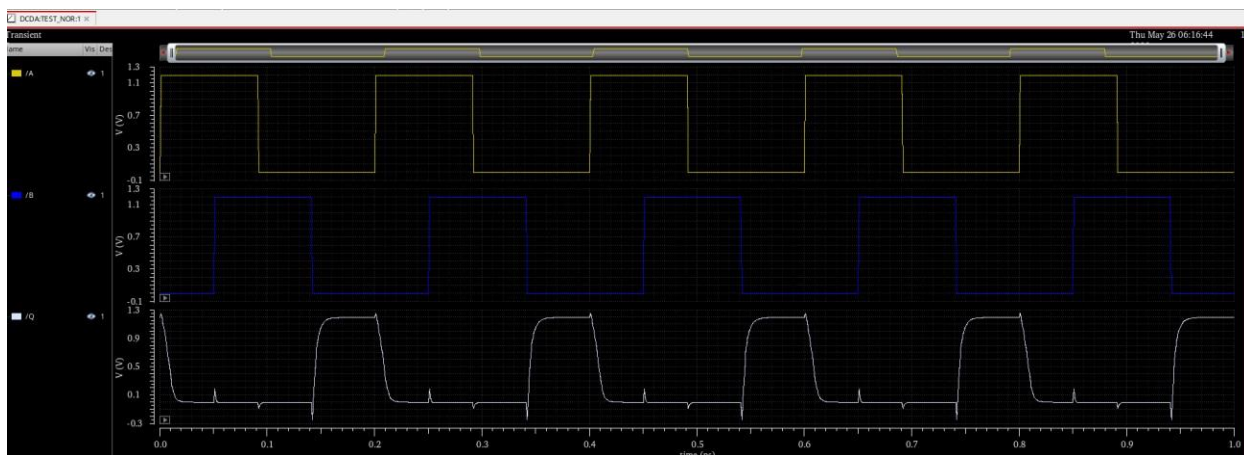
# NOR



NOR design

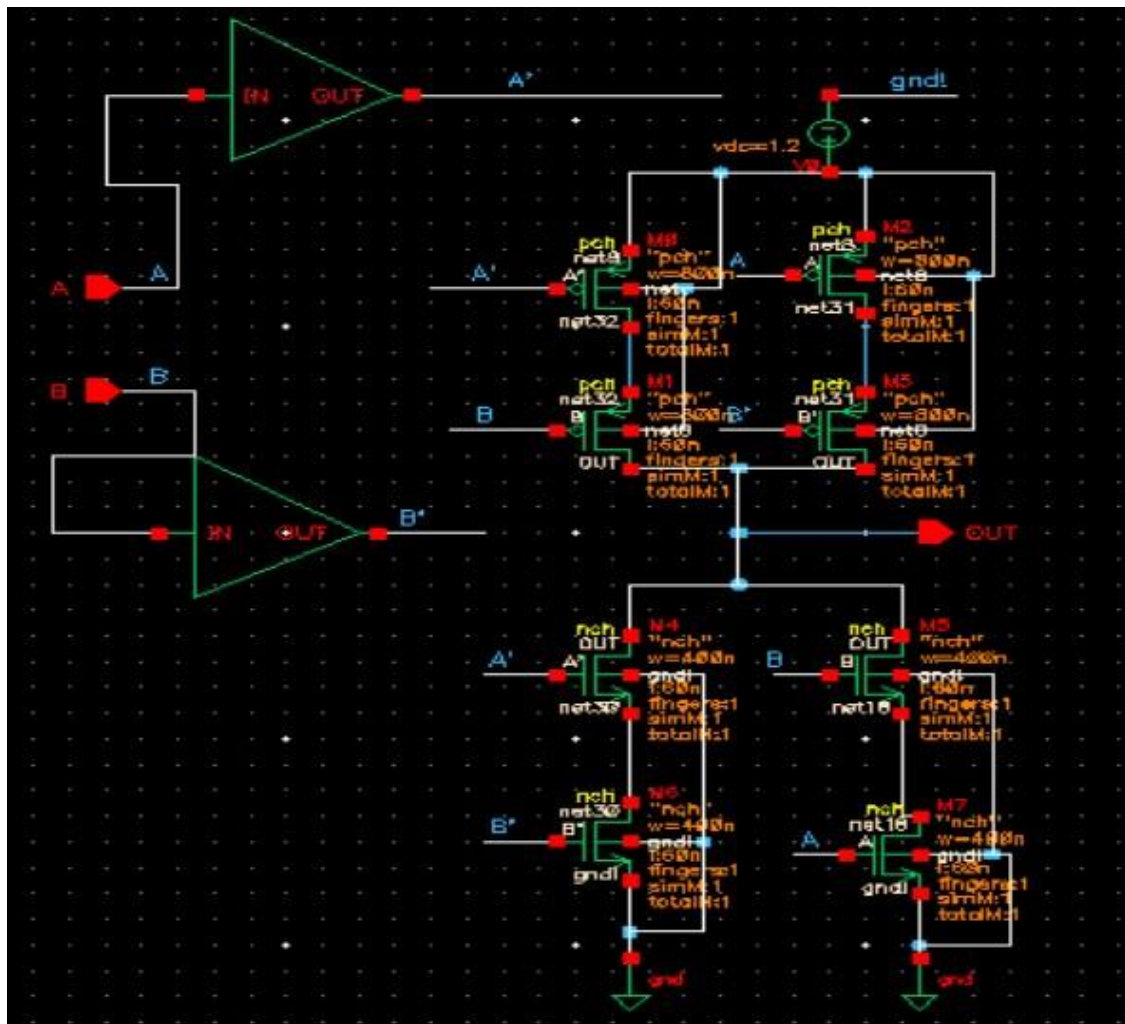


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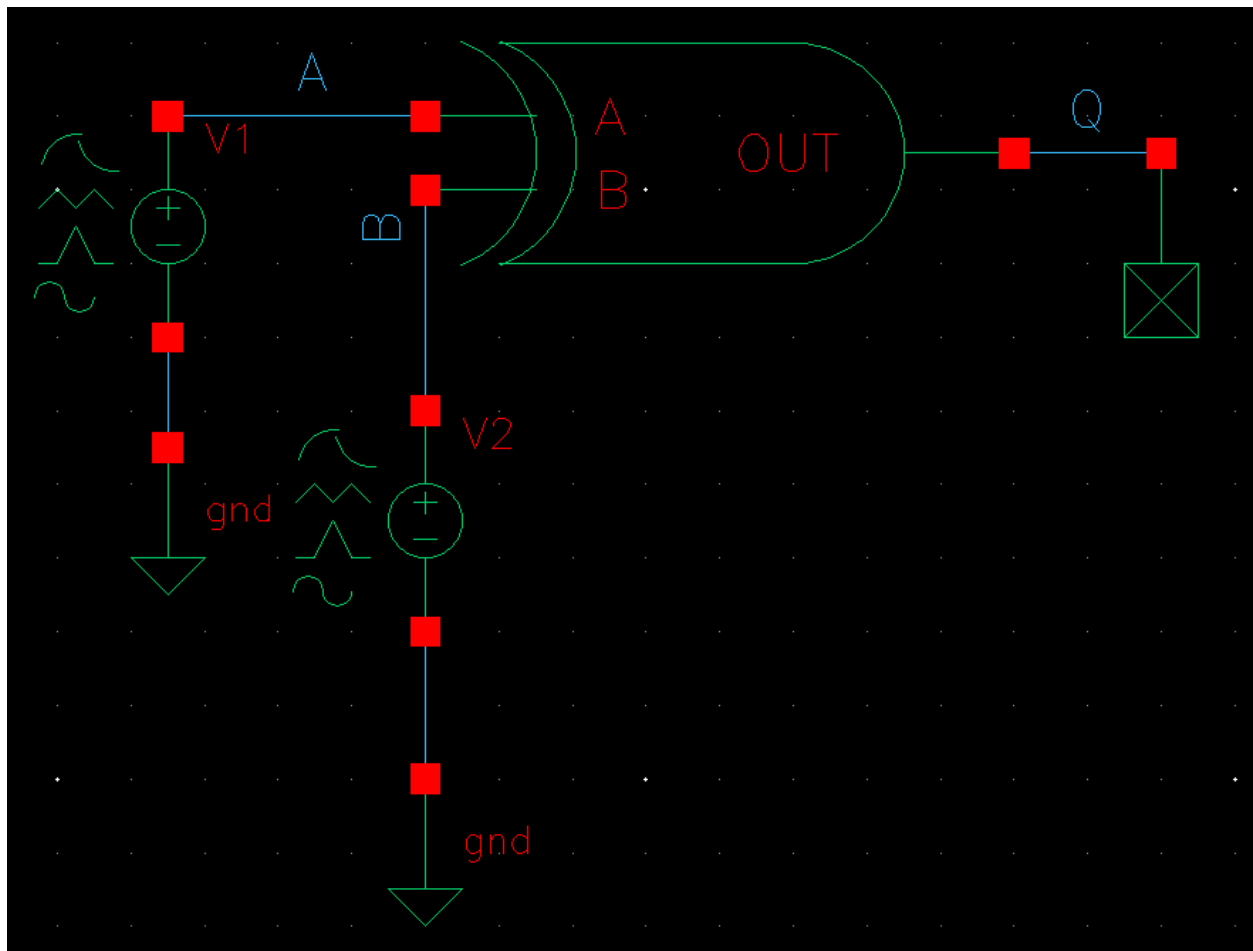


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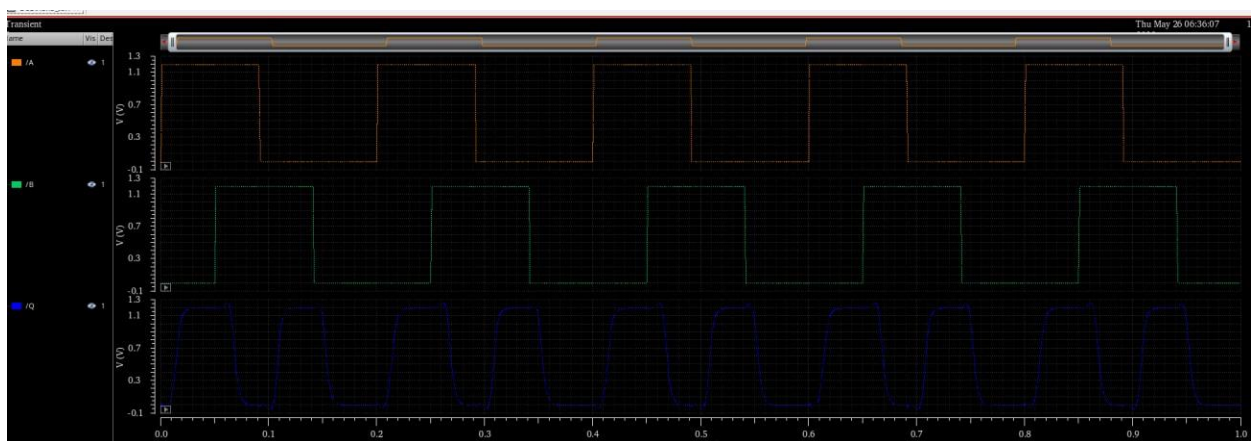
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XOR Design

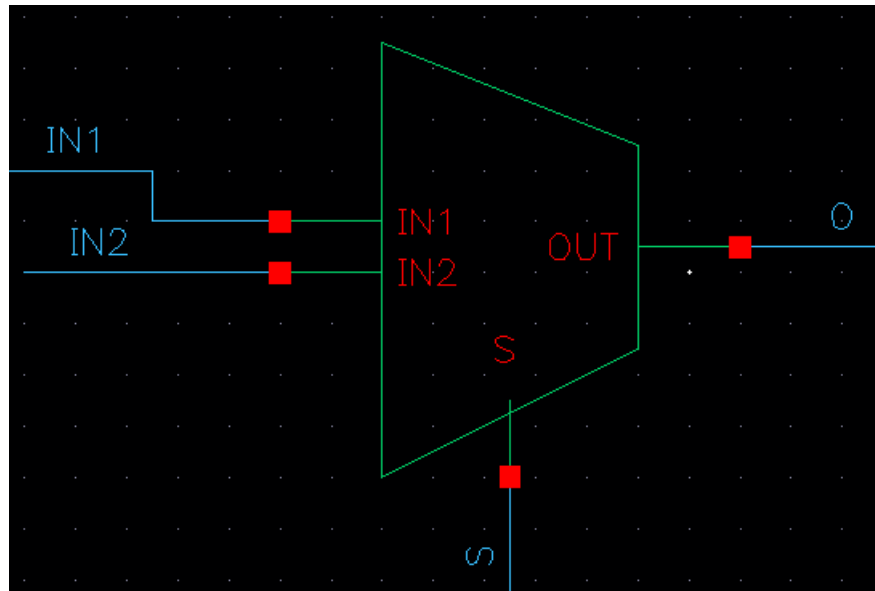


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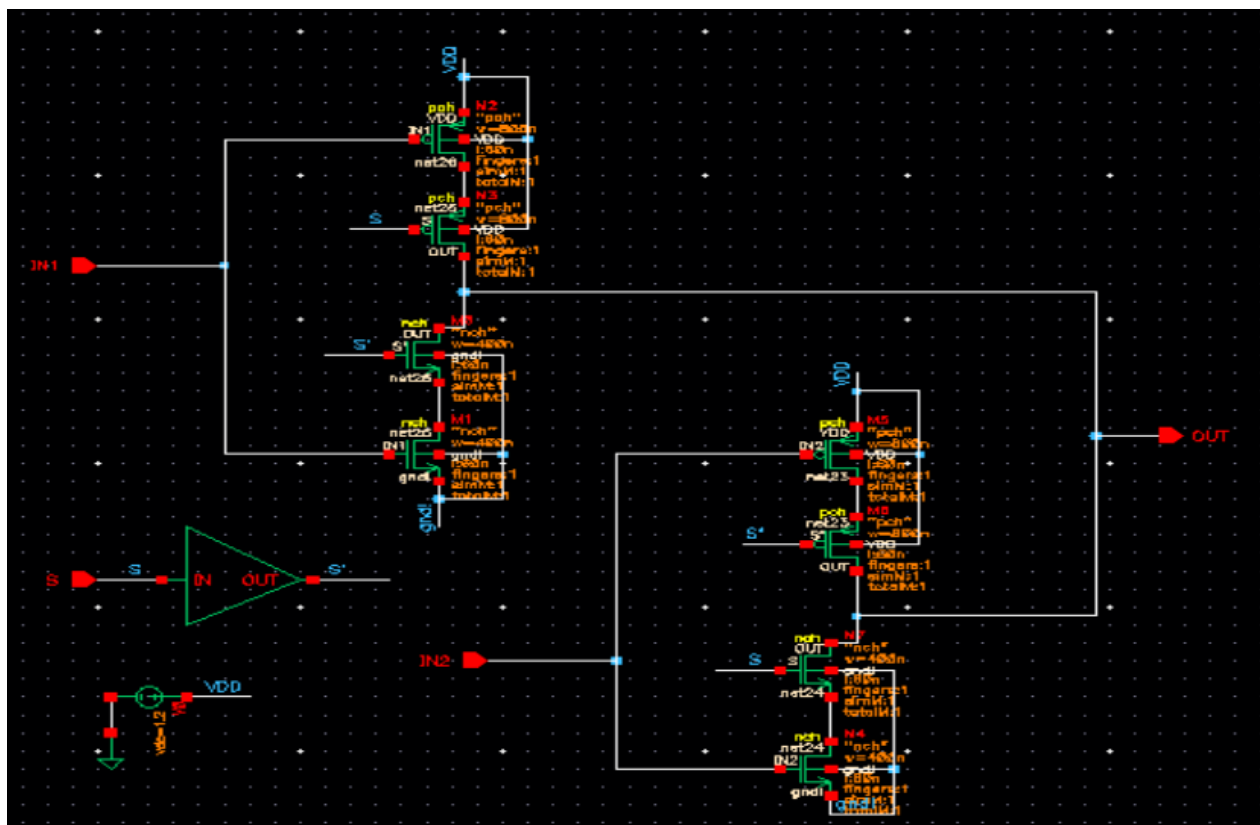


XOR TestBench

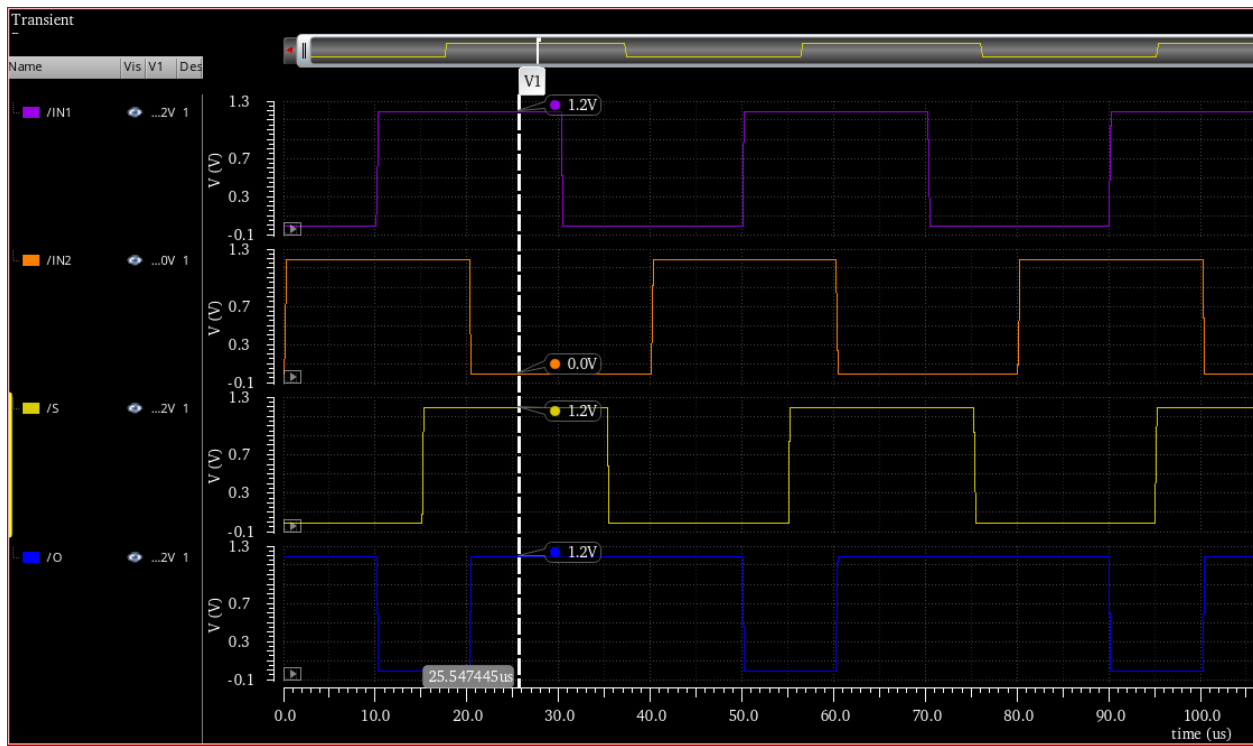
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2x1 MUX Symbol

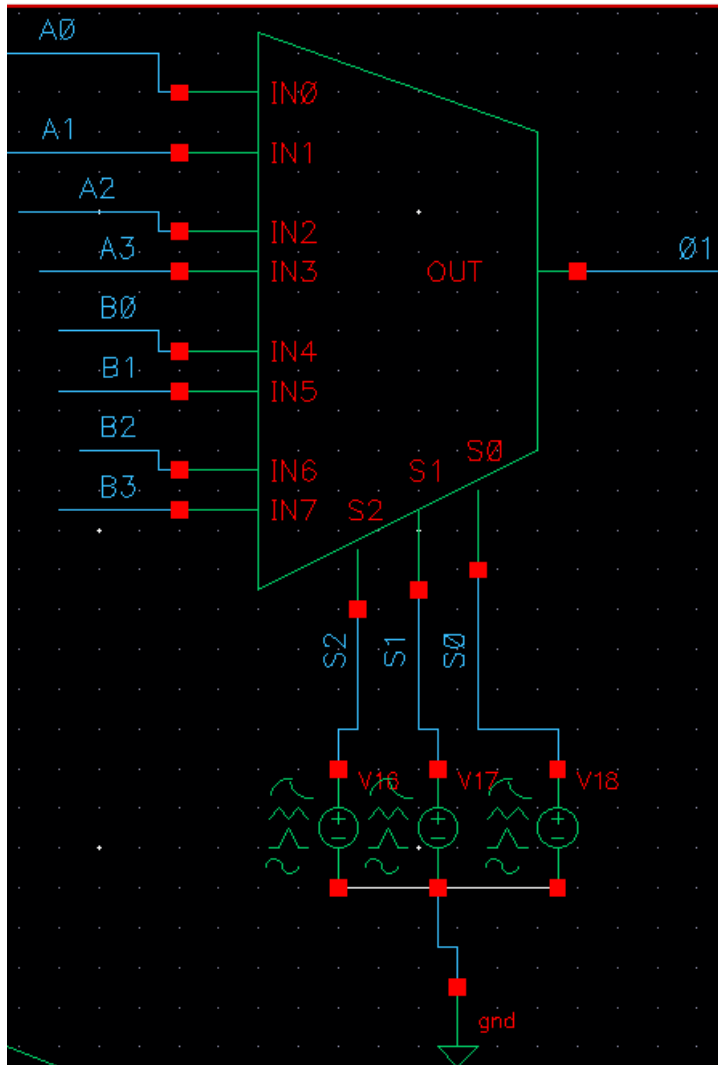


2x1 MUX design

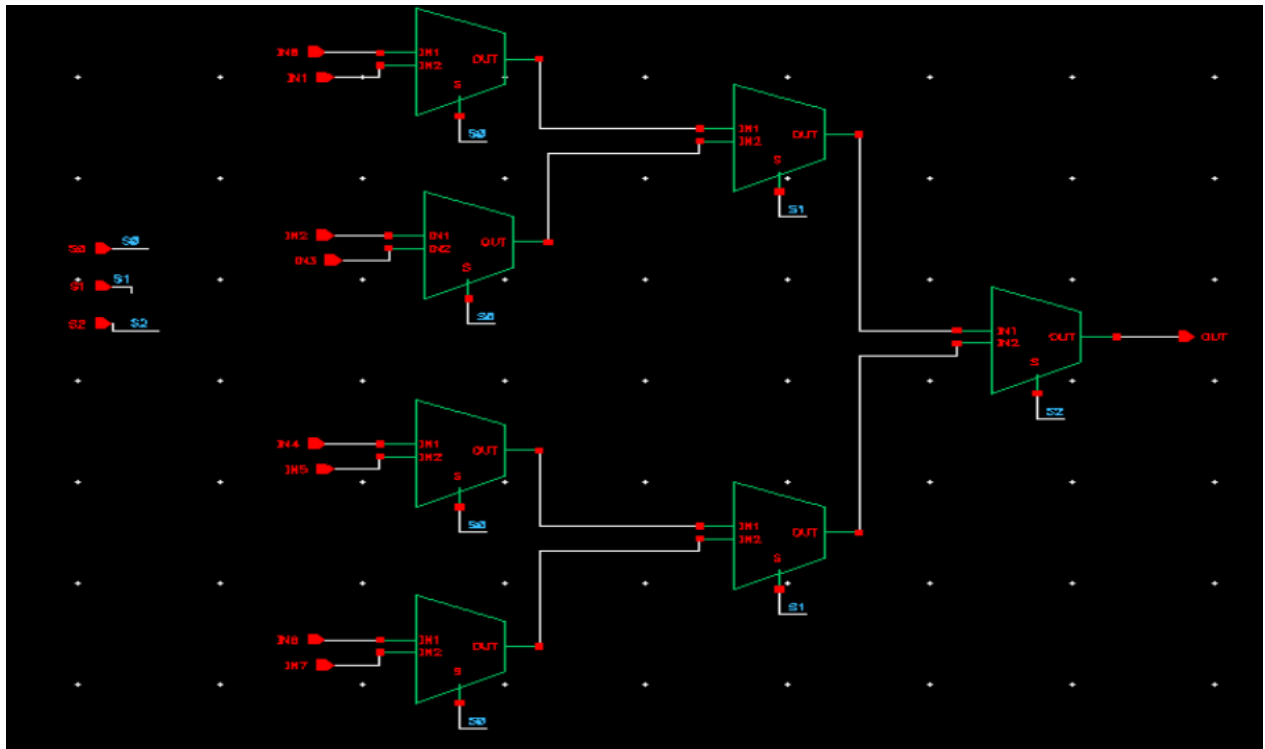


2x1 MUX TestBench

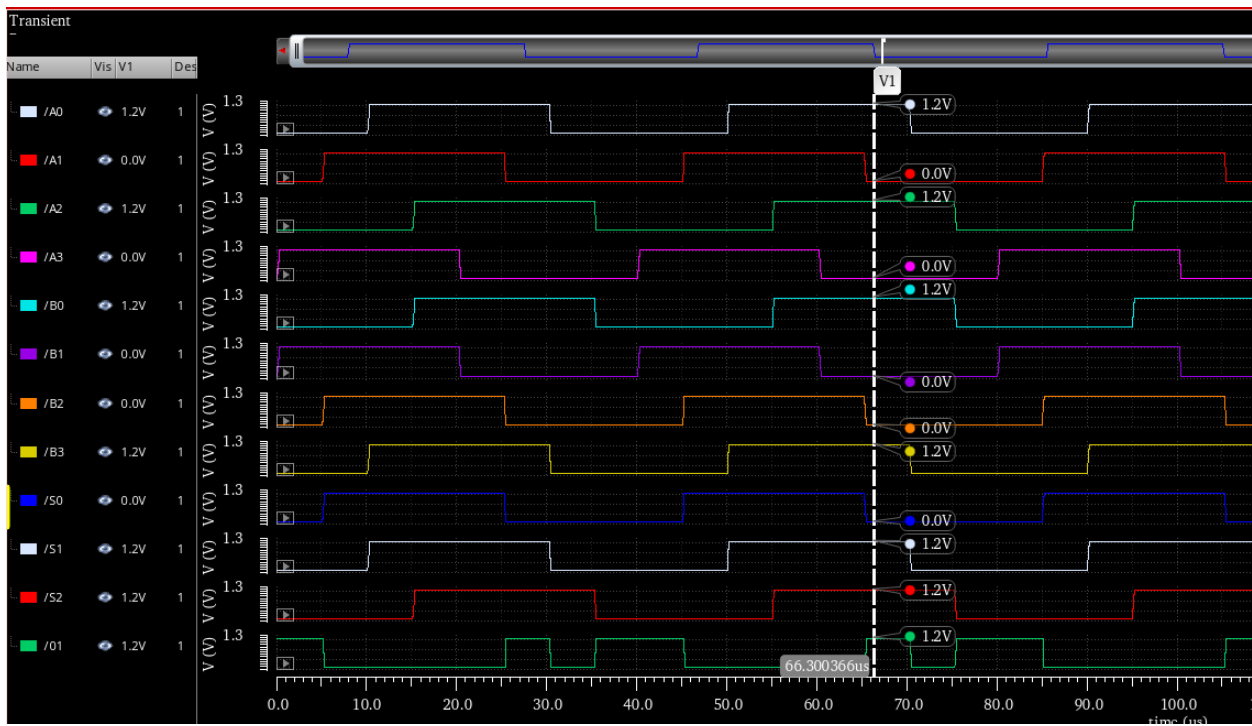
### 8 v 1 mux (INVERTED)



### 8X1 MUX Symbol



8X1 MUX Design

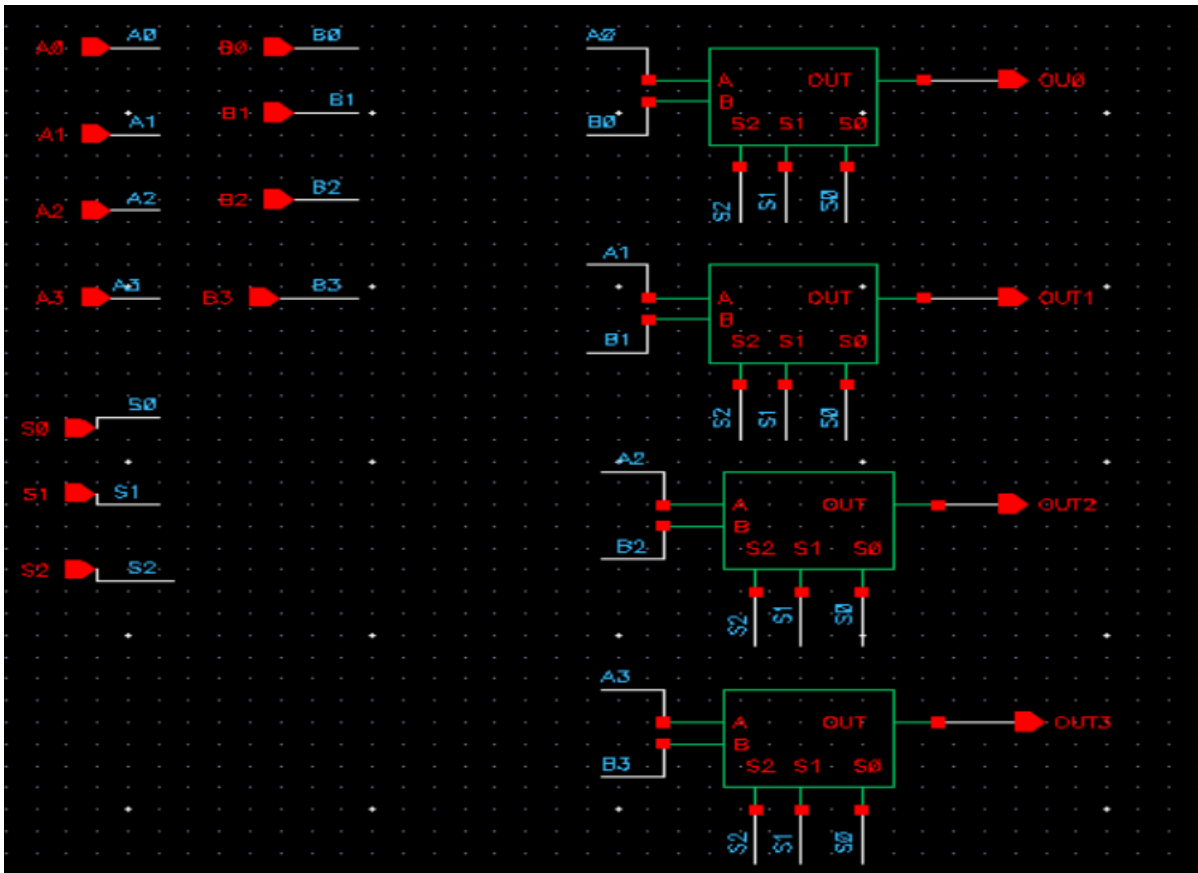


8X1 MUX TestBench

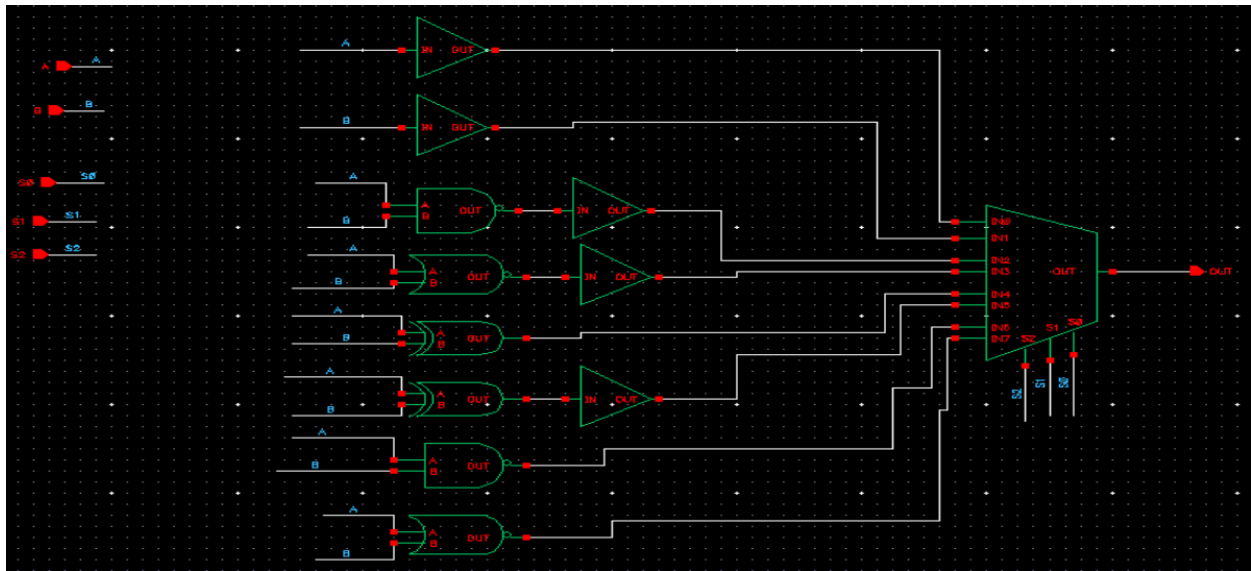


## Logic unit (INVERTED)

The Logic Unit consists of four blocks each is responsible for outputting 1 bit of the 4 bits of the output, the output of the blocks is inverted due to the use of inverted muxes but when the Logic unit output is connected to the muxes of the ALU it is inverted again so the output of the ALU is the true value



Logic unit Blocks

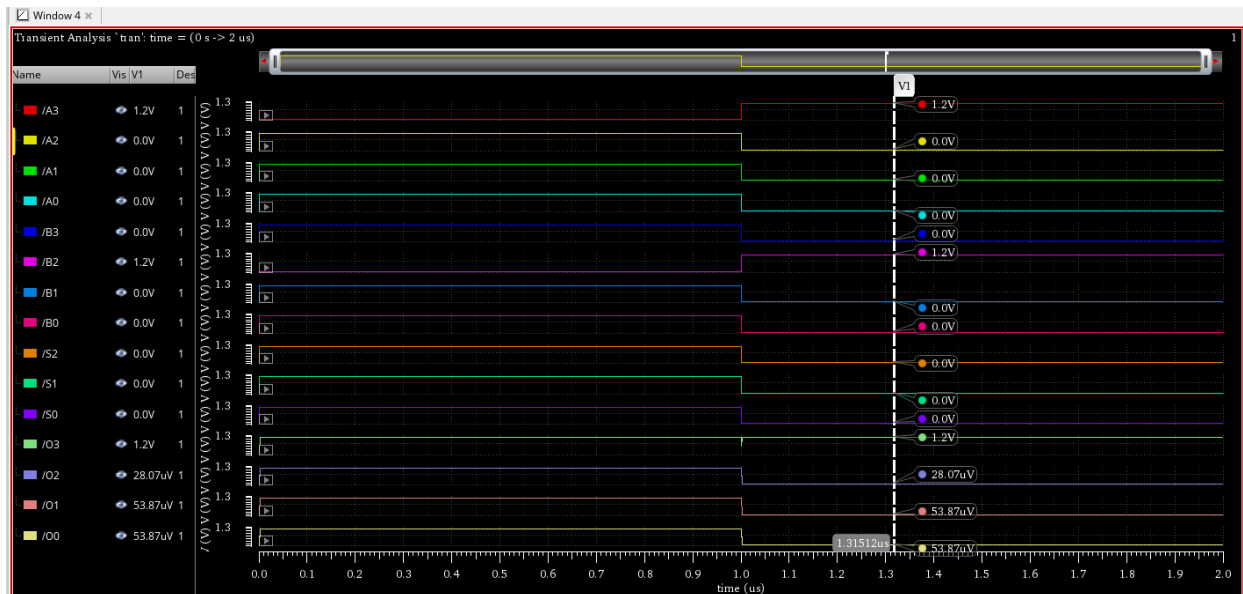


Logic unit Block components

## TestBench of Logic Unit

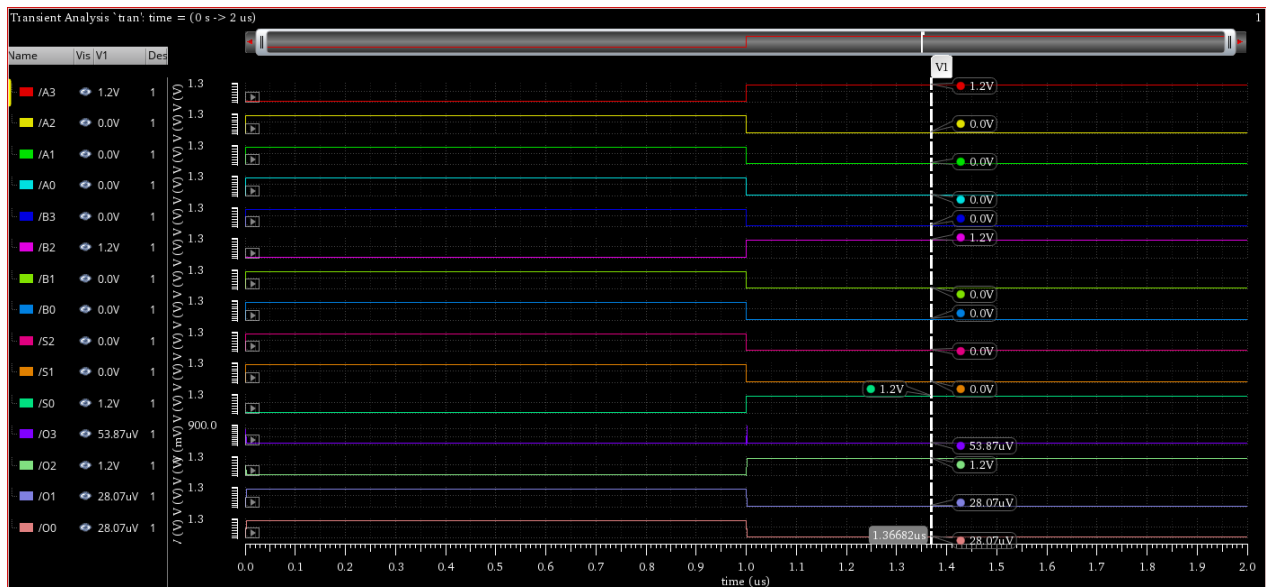
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### COMPLEMENT A



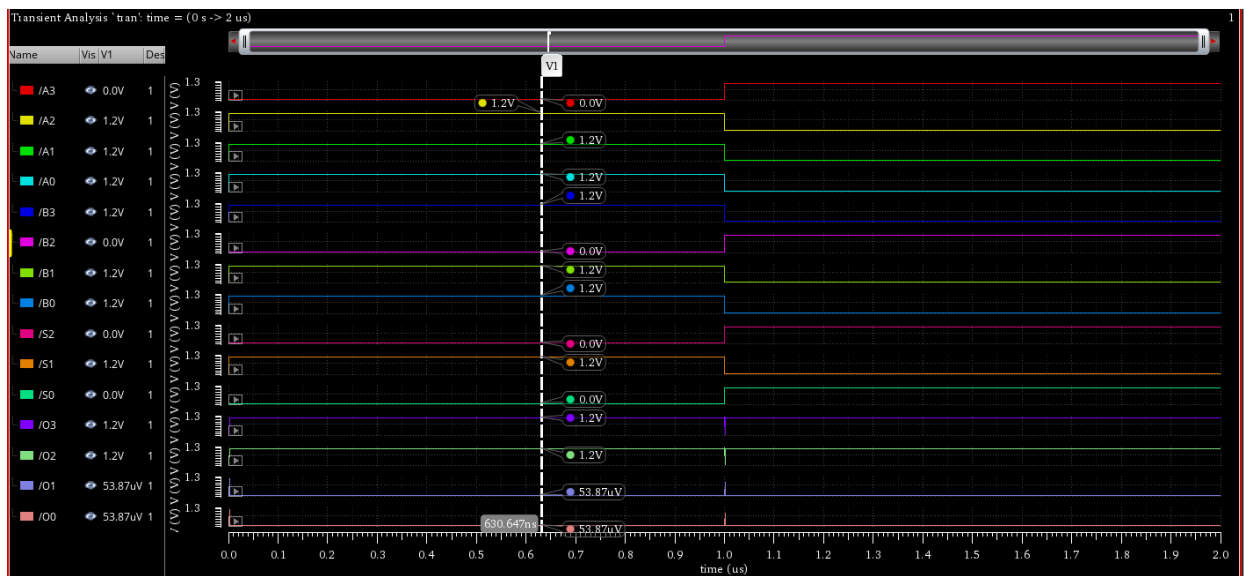
Inverter TestBench

## COMPLEMENT B



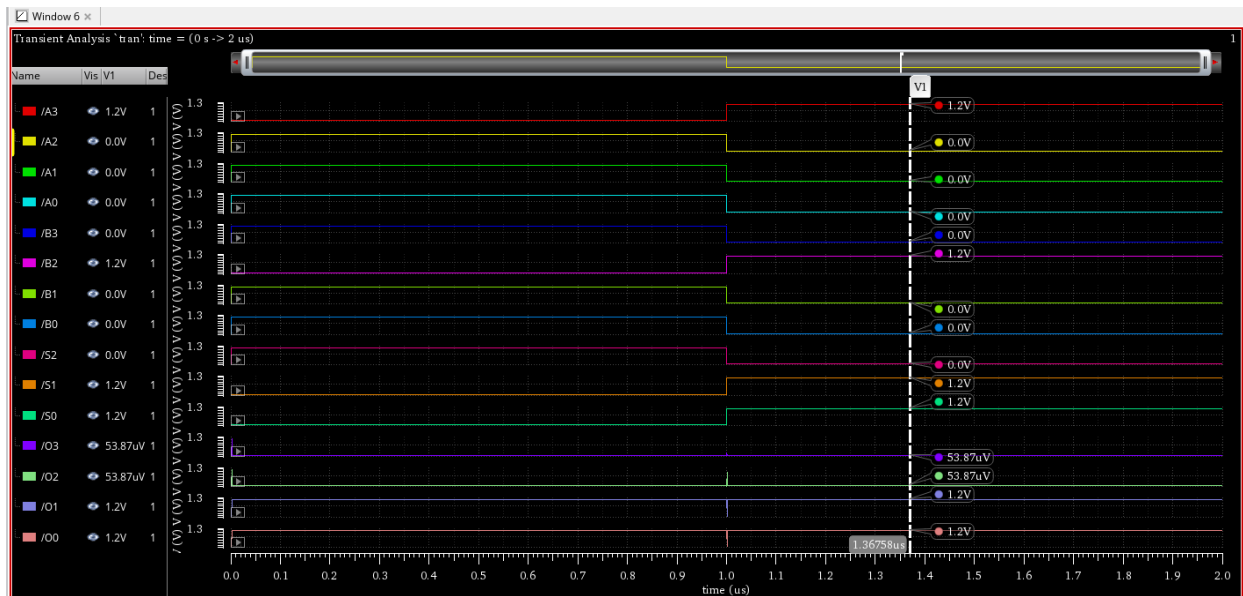
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## AND



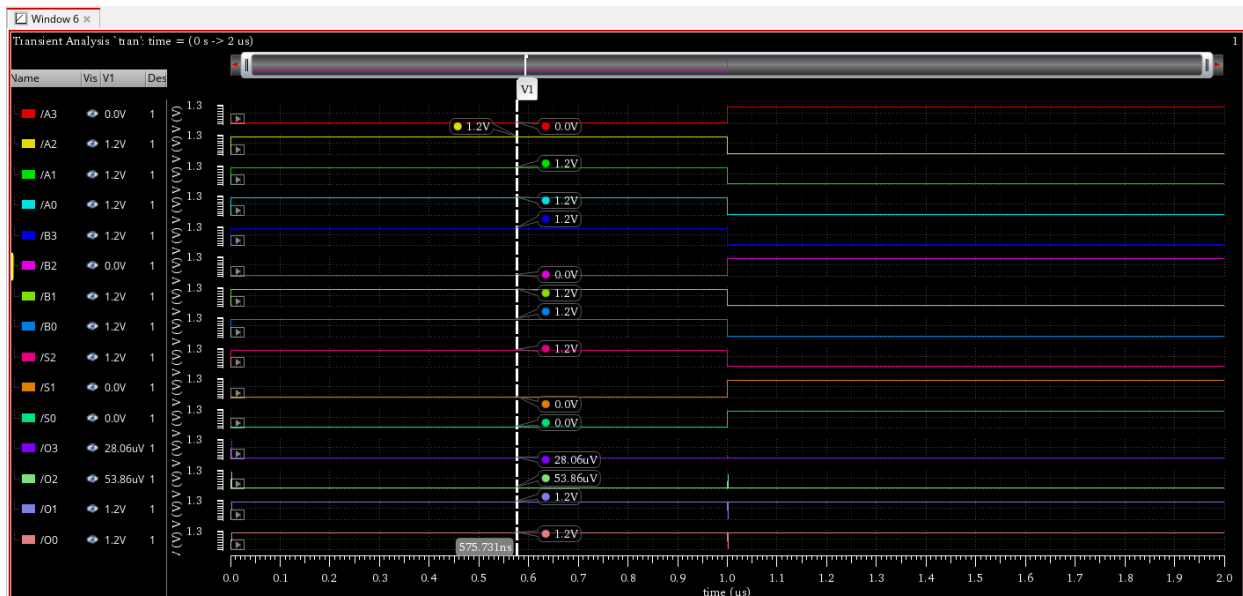
AND TestBench

OR



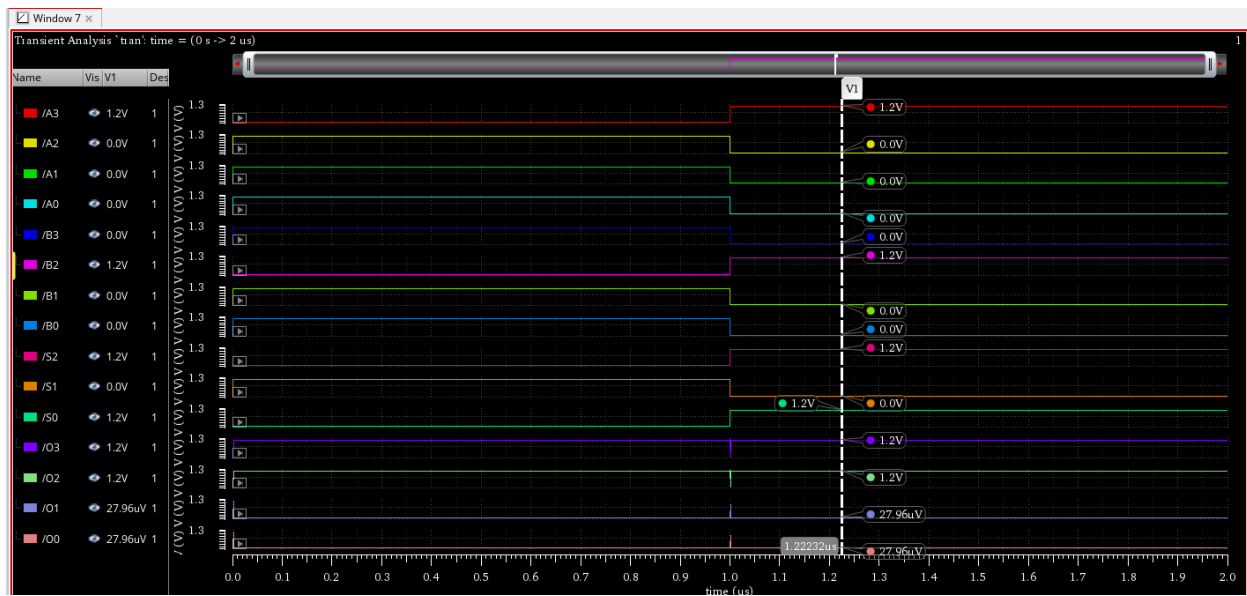
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XOR



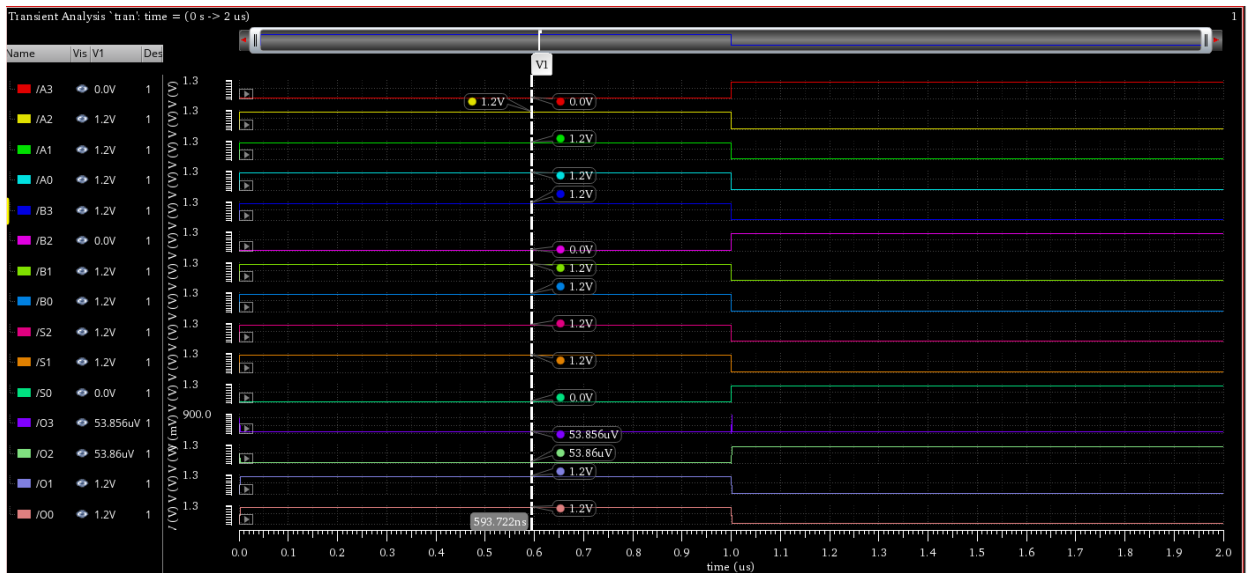
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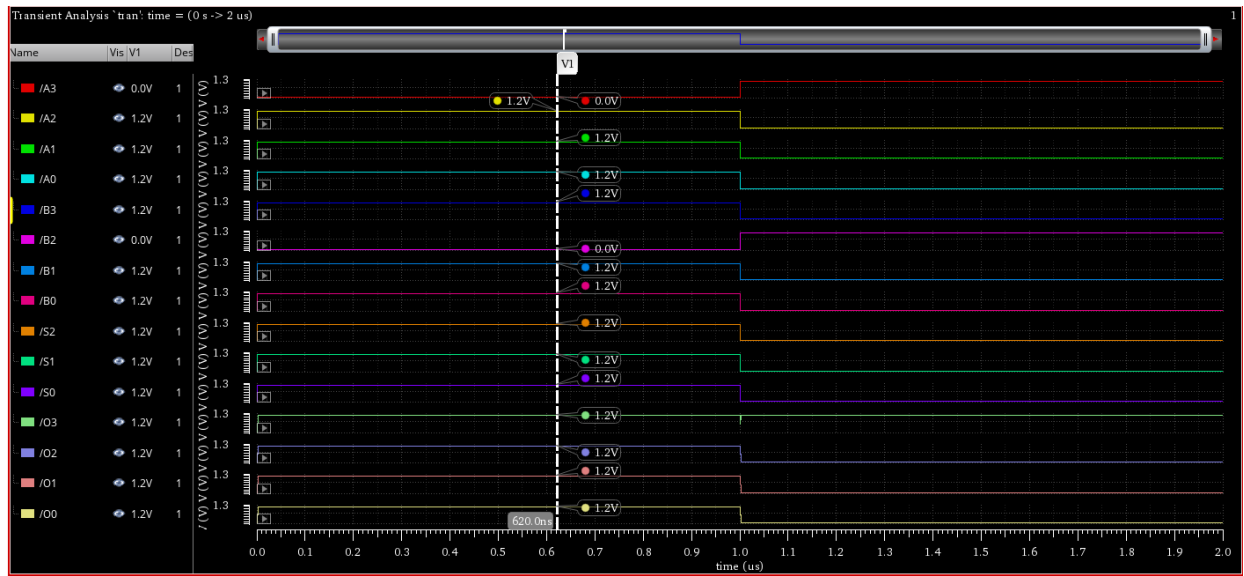
XNOR TestBench

## NAND



NAND TestBench

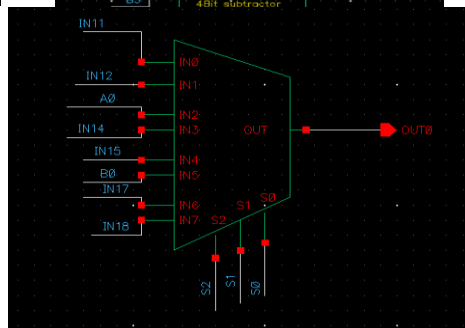
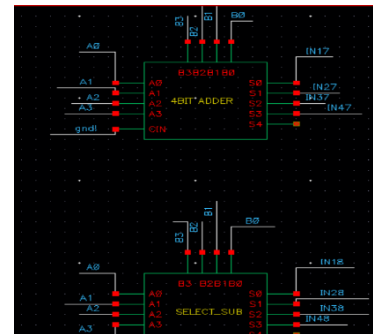
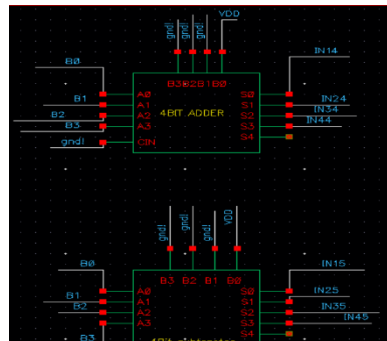
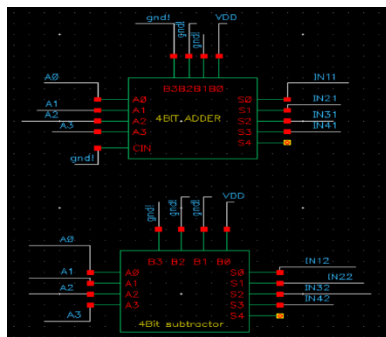
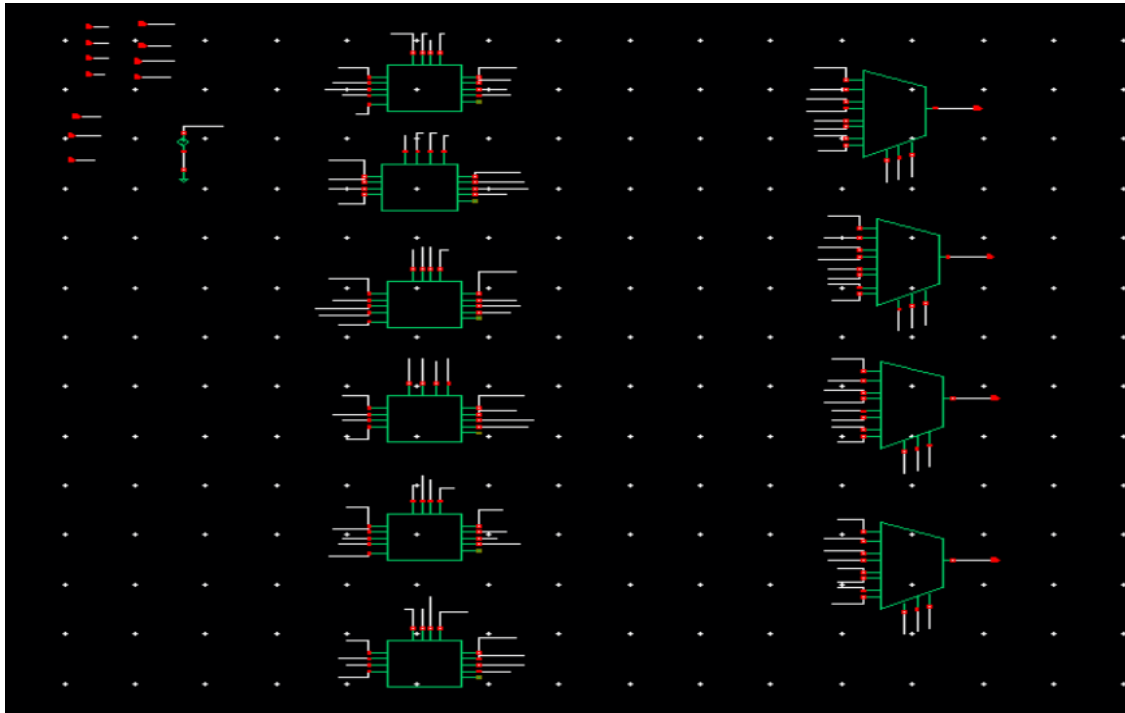
# NOR



NOR TestBench

## Arithmetic unit (INVERTED)

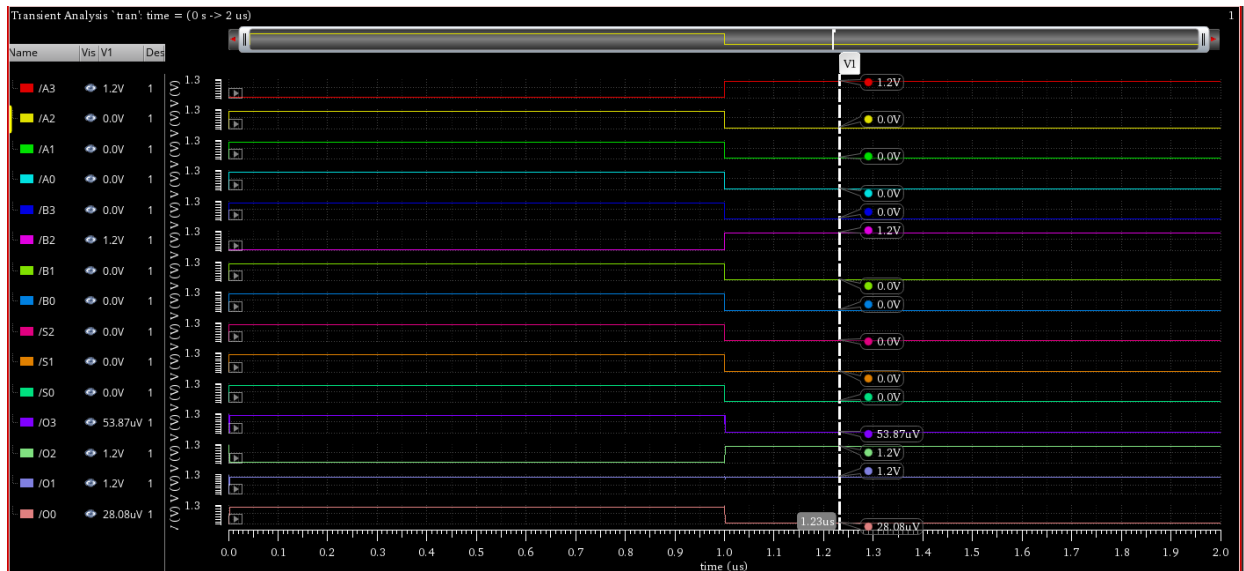
The arithmetic unit consists of 6 blocks each block outputs the output of one of the 8 functions specific for the arithmetic unit the other two outputs which are transfer A and transfer B are taken directly from the input, then the outputs are connected to 4 MUXs responsible for outputting the 4 bit output, the output of the blocks is inverted due to the use of inverted MUXs but when the Arithmetic unit output is connected to the MUXs of the ALU it is inverted again so the output of the ALU is the true value



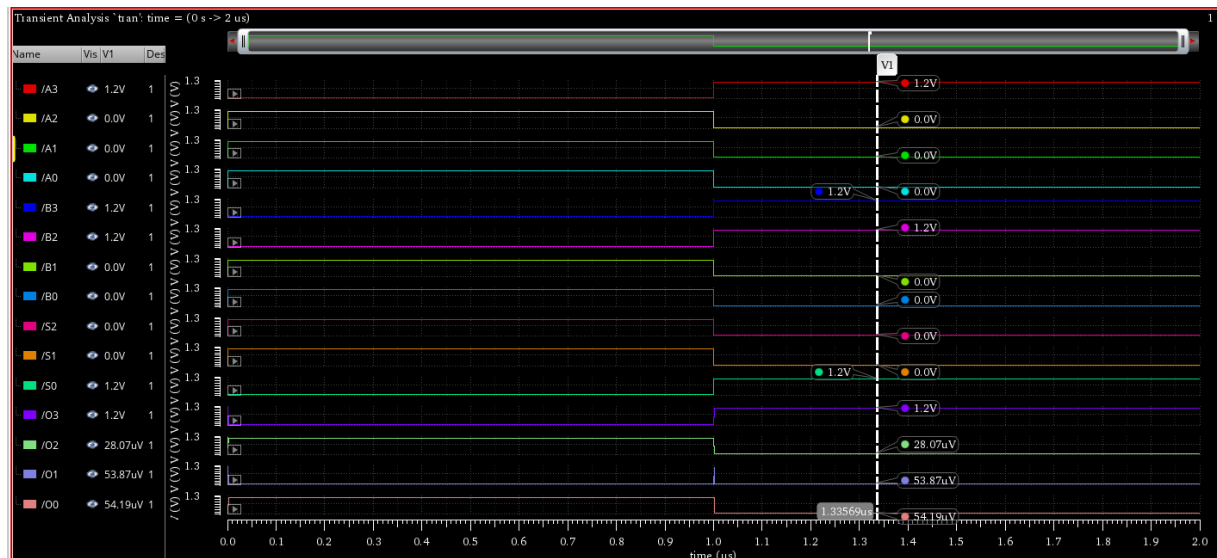
# TestBench of Arithmetic Unit

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## INCREMENT A

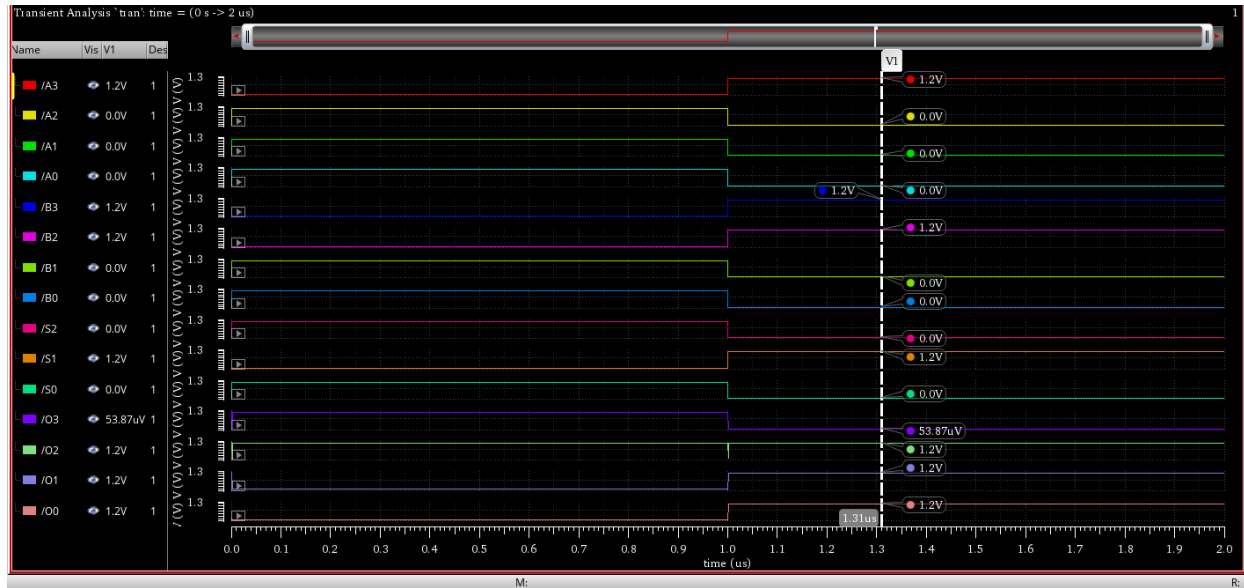


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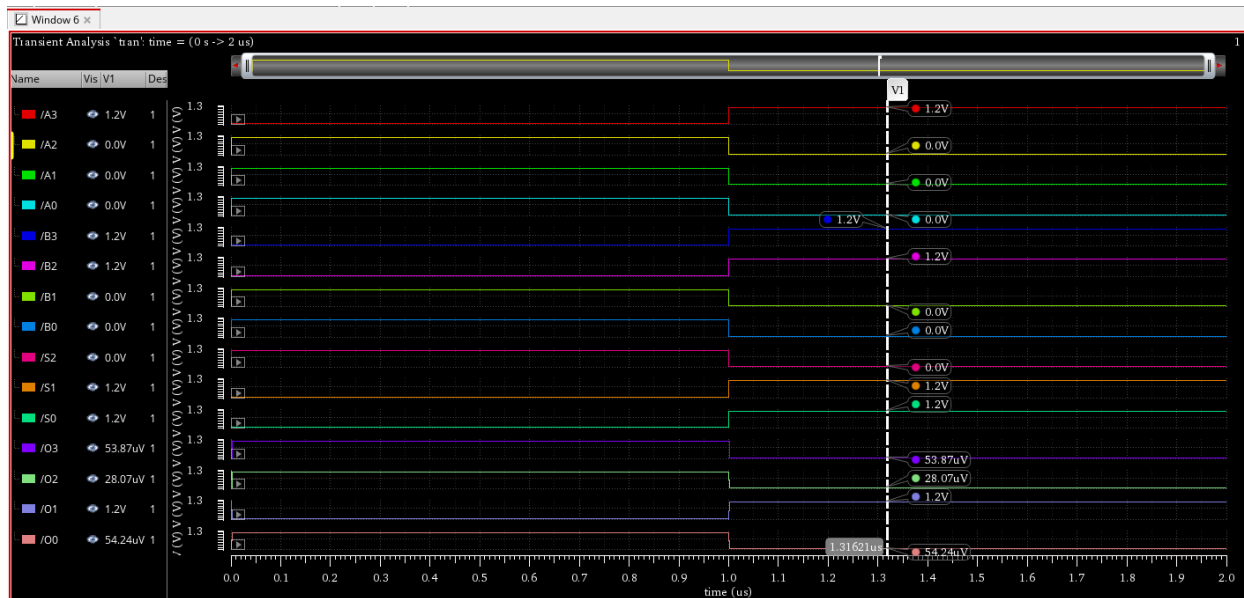




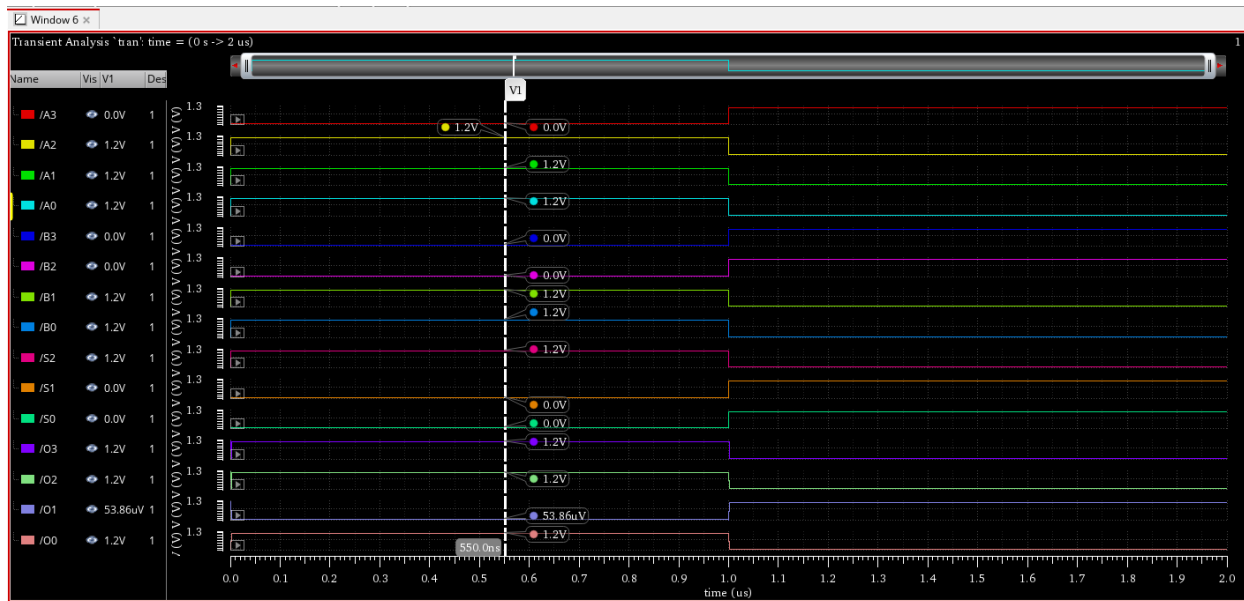
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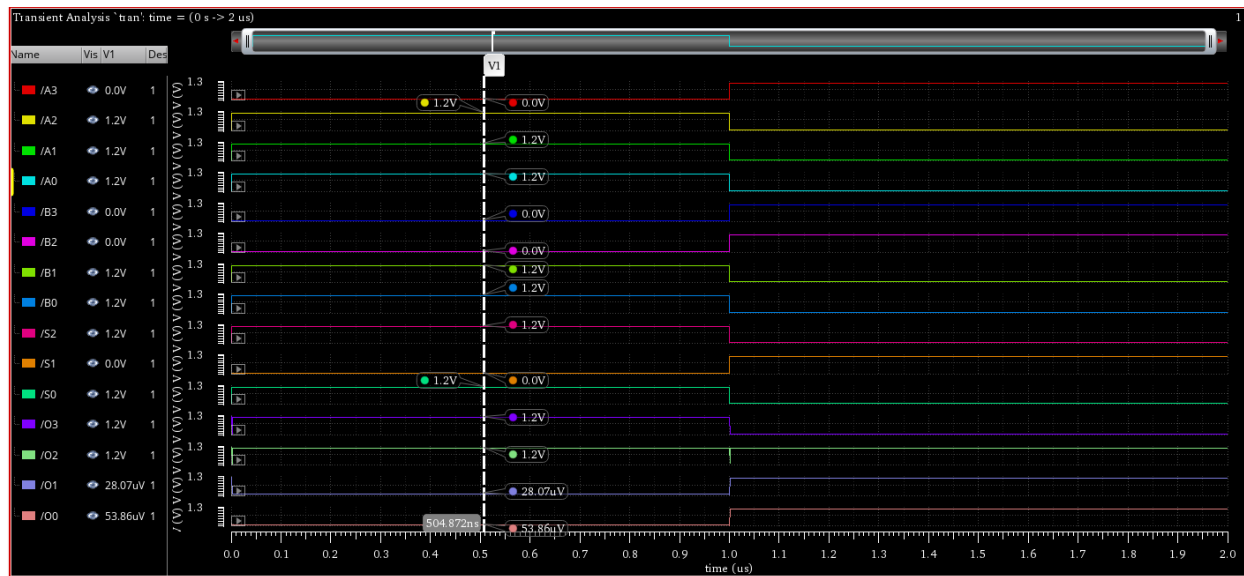
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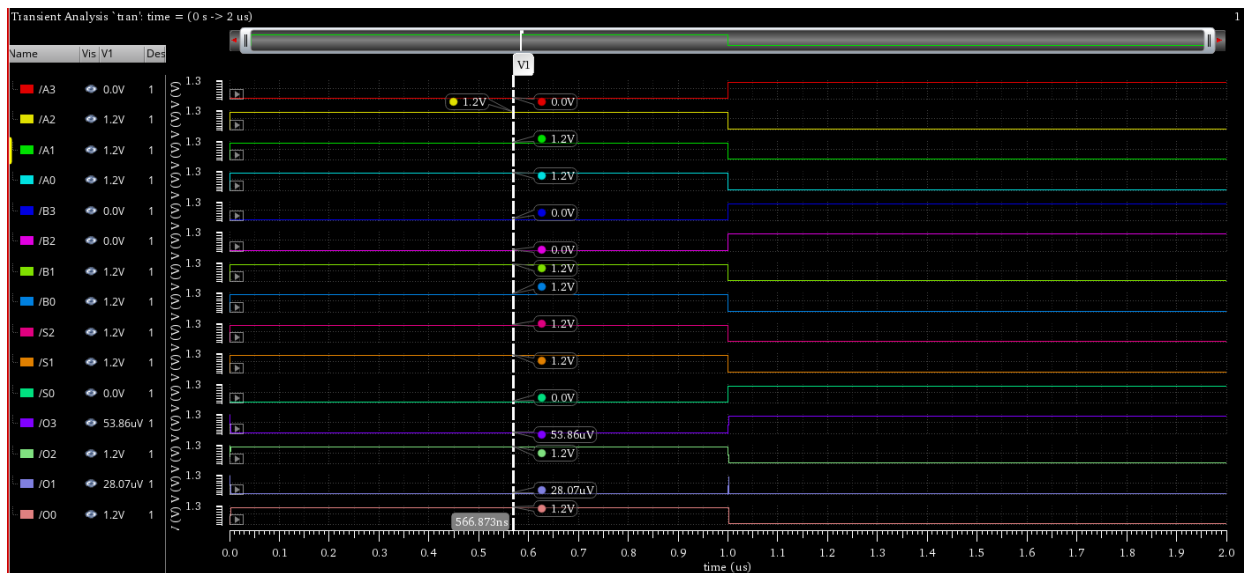
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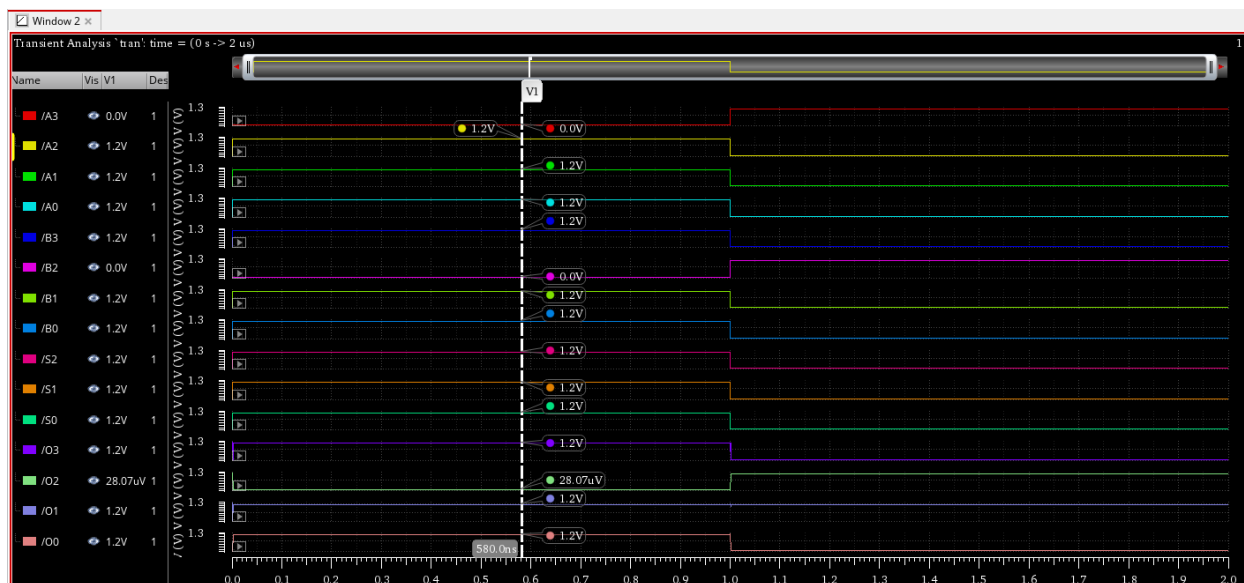
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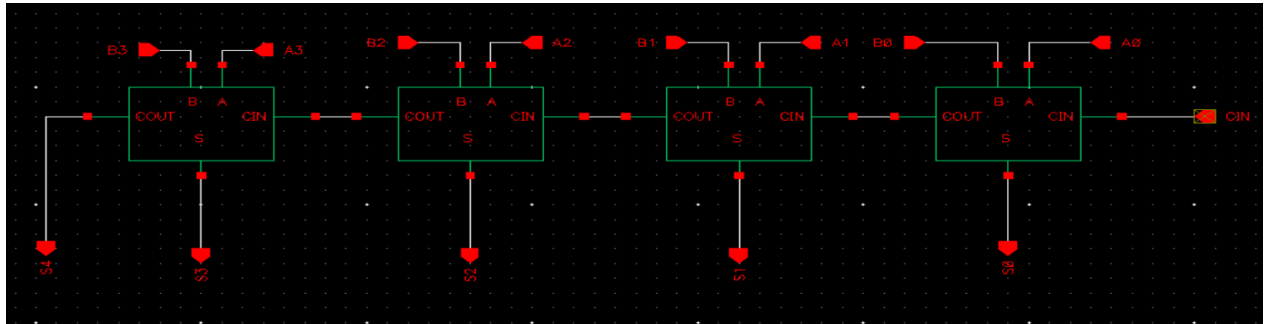
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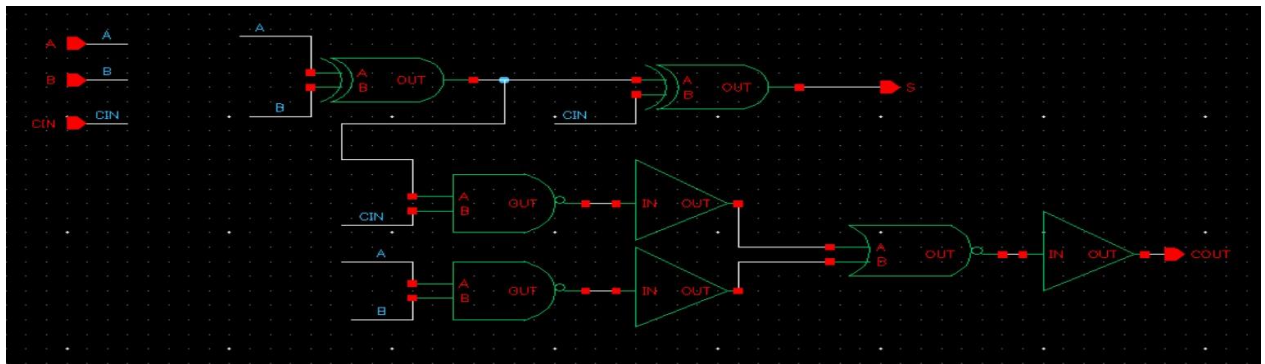
## SUBTRACT A-B



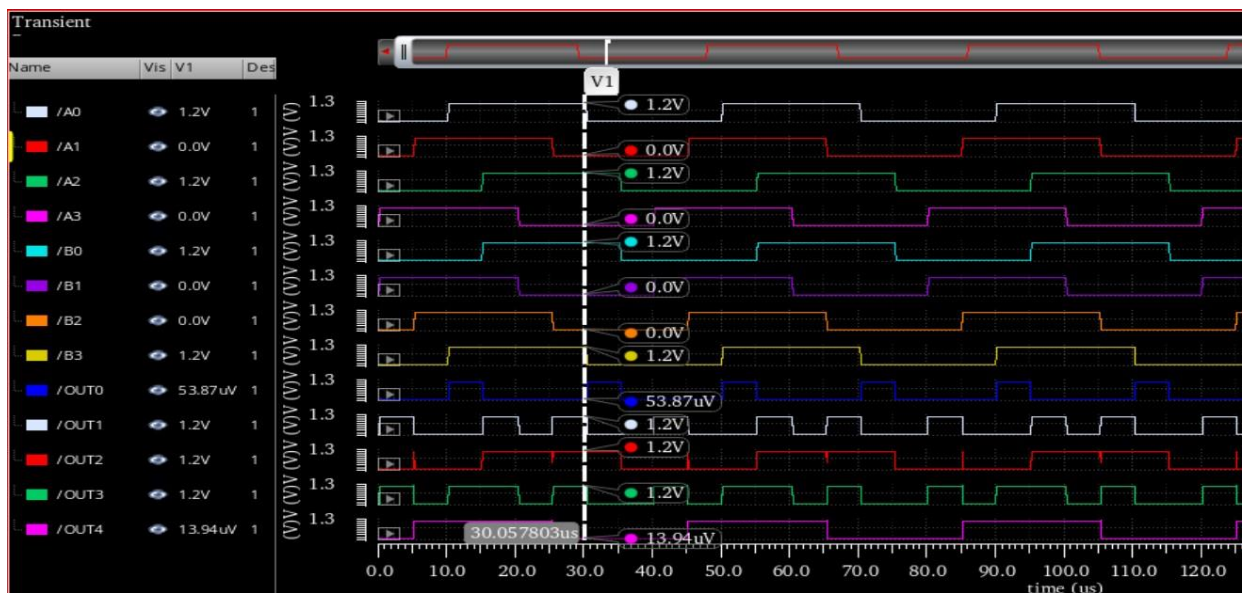
# Adder



Full Adder block



Full Adder design

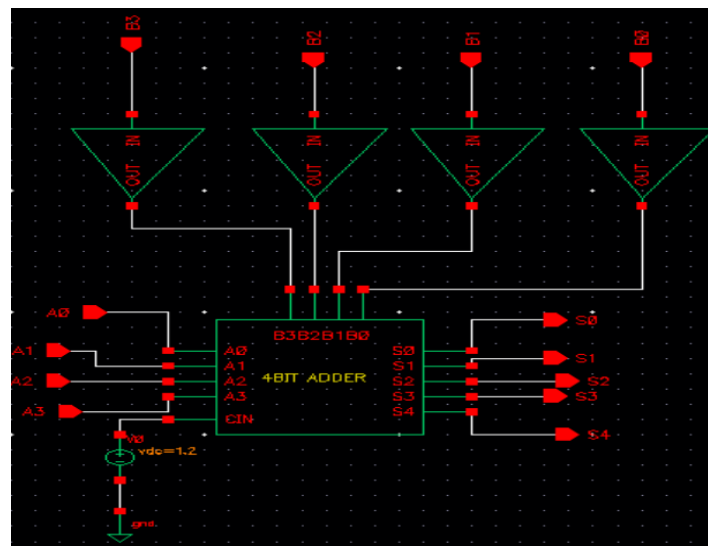


Full Adder TestBench

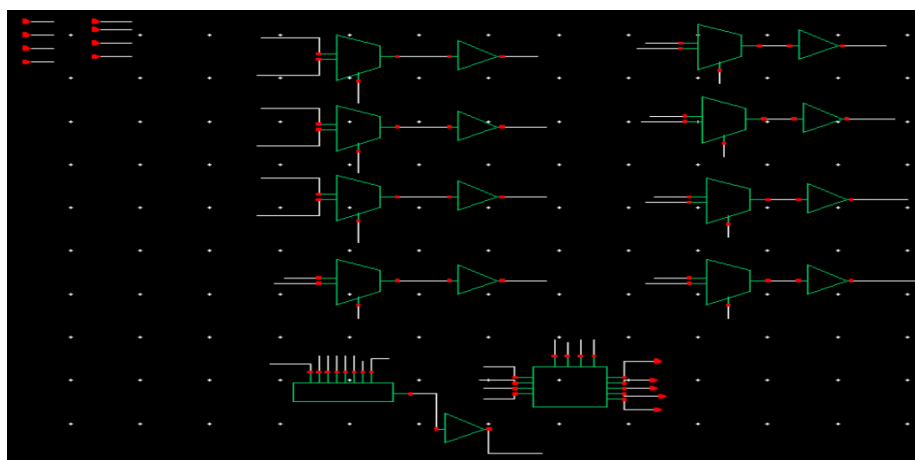
## Subtractor

The 4bit subtractor consists of a 4bit adder but the carry in bit should be high and the input B should be inverted as  $A-B=A+B'+1$

The subselect block uses the 4bit subtractor we designed which subtracts A(4bits)-B(4bits) and 8 MUXs that control which input goes to A and B of the subtractor the MUXs are controlled by the AGTB(A greater than B) block which outputs high if input A is greater than B if this is the case then Input A is connected to input A of the subtractor and input B is connected to input B of the subtractor if the output of AGTB is zero the muxes flip and input B is connected to input A of the subtractor and input A is connected to input B of the subtractor so the subtractor operation becomes (B-A) if  $B>A$

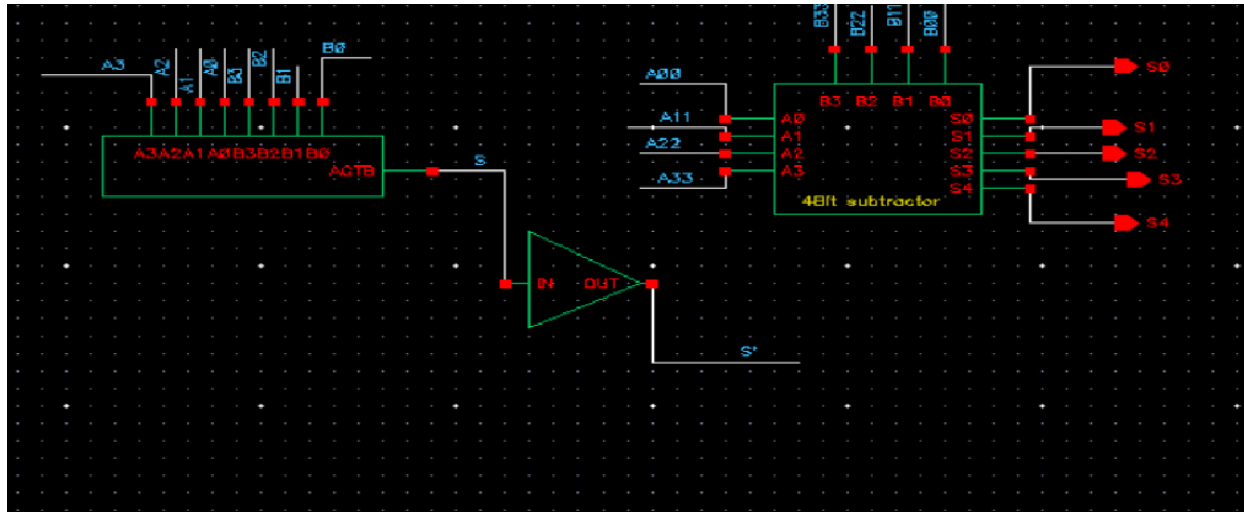


4 Bit Subtractor

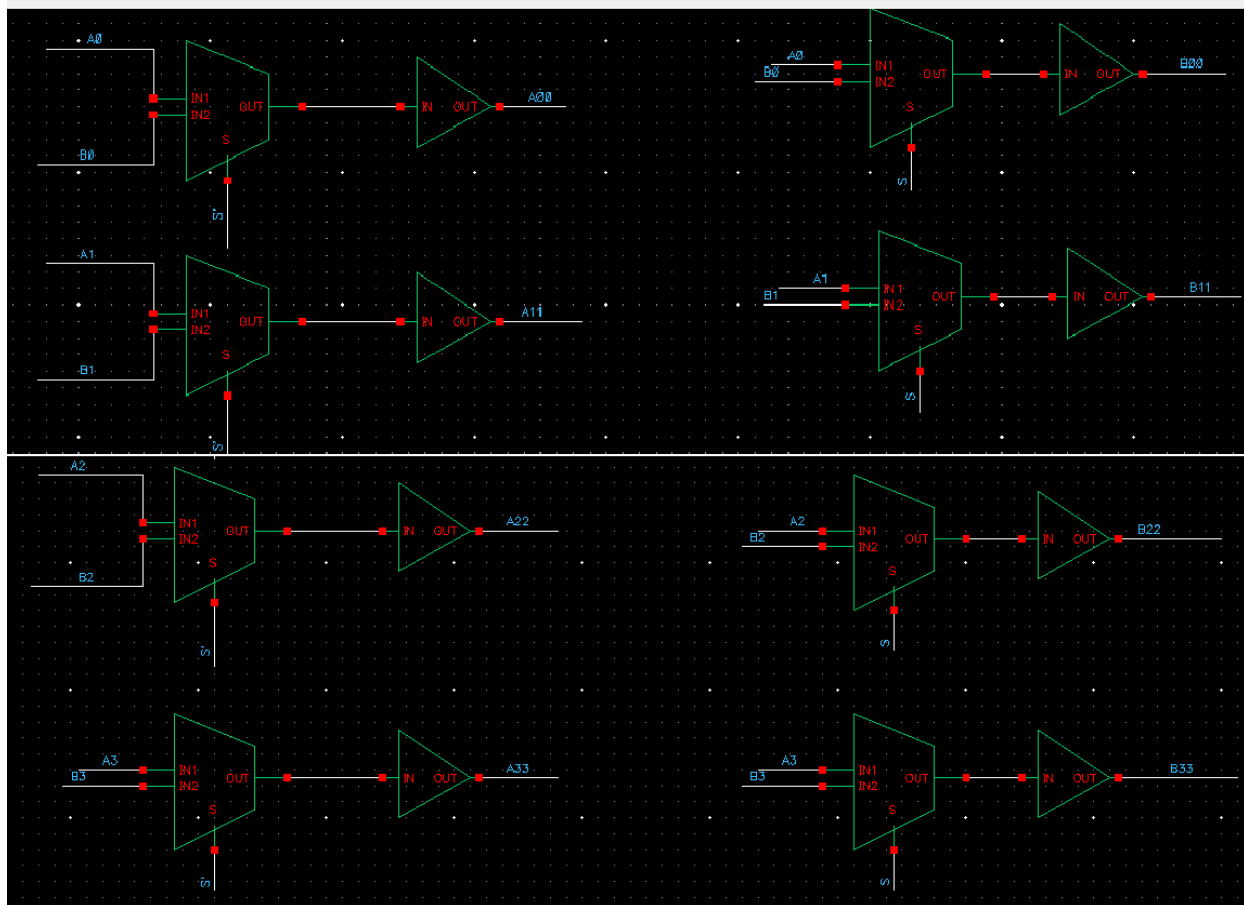


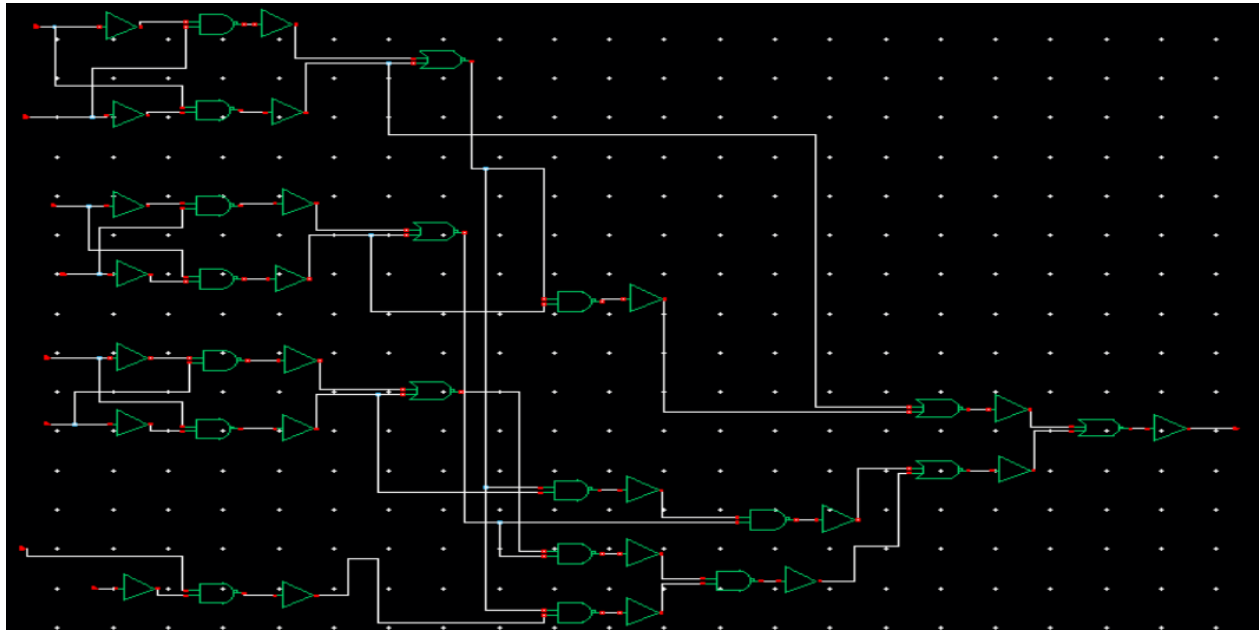
Subselect block

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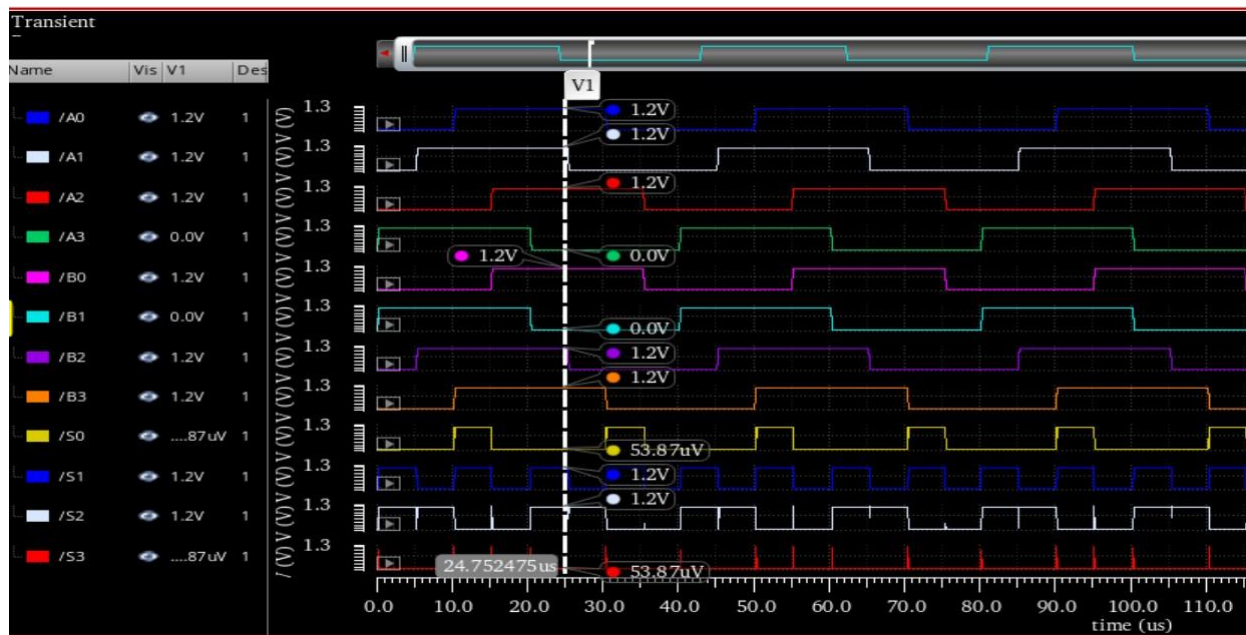


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Gate level of A greater than B block



A greater than B TestBench