

# Digital IC Design Report

## Exercise 4: Energy-Efficient Design

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### 2x2 Convolution (without pipeline)

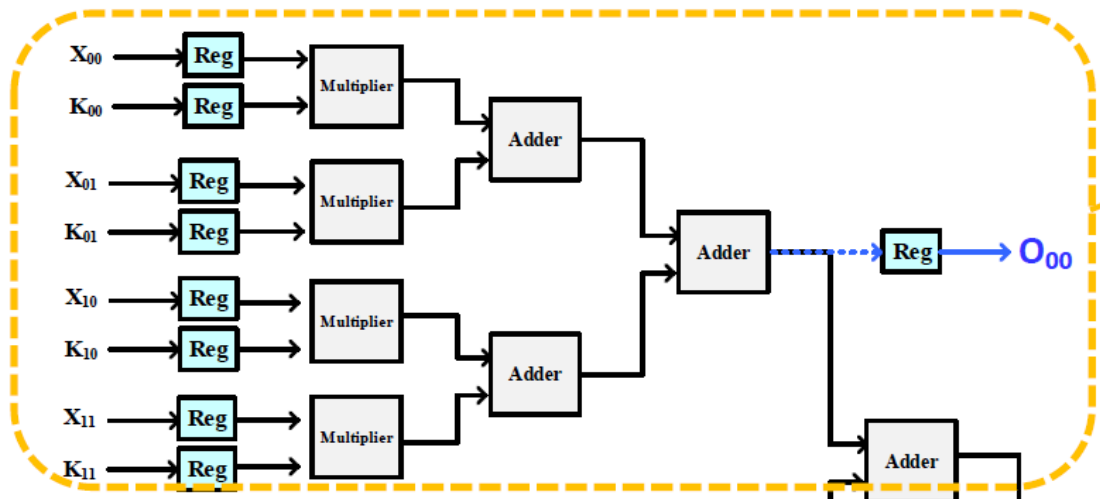


Figure 1. Schematic of 2x2 Convolution circuit

### ➤ HSPICE waveform

#### Input Pattern:

```
pattern - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
radix 1 1 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111
vname rst invalid inIFM1_[3:0] inIFM2_[3:0] inIFM3_[3:0] inIFM4_[3:0] inW1_[3:0] inW2_[3:0] inW3_[3:0] inW4_[3:0]
io 1 1 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111
tunit ps
slope 10
vih 0.7
vil 0
period 1000

0 0 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000
1 1 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000
1 1 0011 1010 1010 1010 1010 1111 1011 1100
1 1 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010 1111 1011 1100
1 1 1110 1111 1011 1110 0111 0101 1011 0111
1 1 1000 1010 1011 0001 1101 0101 1011 1111
1 1 0010 0001 0111 0001 1101 0101 0111 0001
1 1 1000 1010 0011 0101 1110 0001 1011 1000
1 1 1000 1010 1001 1111 1101 0001 1011 1000
1 1 1000 1000 1111 0001 0111 0101 1011 0000
1 1 1001 1011 0010 0001 1000 0101 0011 0100
1 1 1001 1000 0010 0001 1001 0111 0011 0101
1 1 1000 1011 1010 0001 1001 0101 0001 0101
```

Figure 2. Pattern Vector File

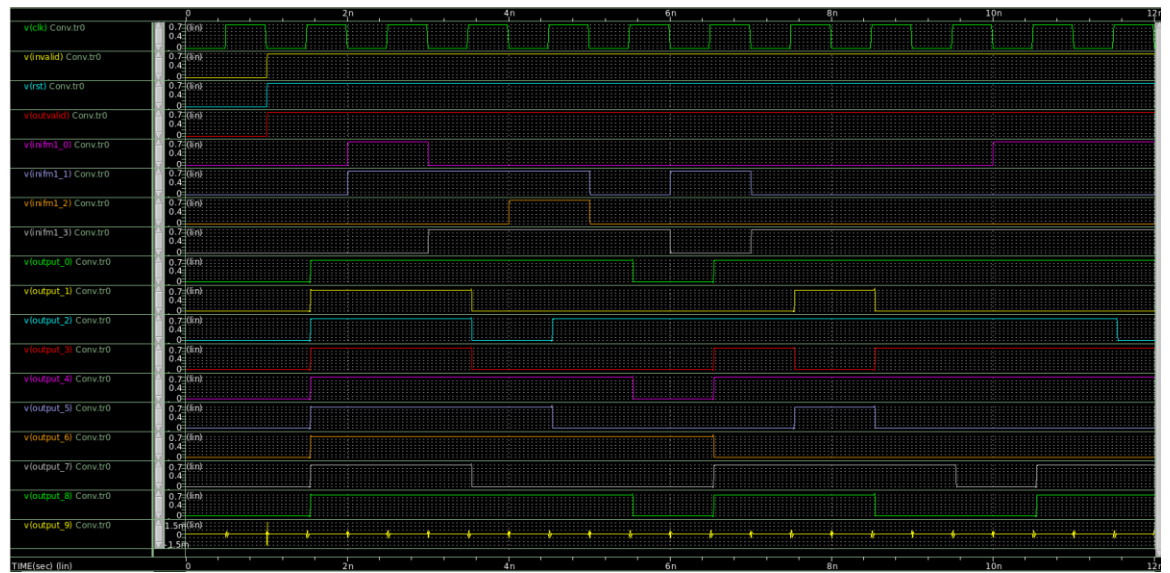


Figure 3. Waveform of 2x2 Convolution circuit

*Critical Path: inIFM1\_0 (r)  $\longrightarrow$  output\_2 (r)*

## ➤ Voltage Scaling

✓ 0.7V:

1	\$DATA1 SOURCE='HSPICE' VERSION='0-2018.09 linux64' PARAM_COUNT=0			
2	.TITLE '.title conv 2x2'			
3	tpd	pwr	temper	alter#
4	2.540e-09	4.518e-04	25.0000	1

Energy-Delay Product =  $1.147572 \times 10^{-12}$

✓ 0.65V:

1	\$DATA1 SOURCE='HSPICE' VERSION='0-2018.09 linux64' PARAM_COUNT=0			
2	.TITLE '.title conv 2x2'			
3	tpd	pwr	temper	alter#
4	2.547e-09	3.659e-04	25.0000	1

Energy-Delay Product =  $9.319473 \times 10^{-13}$

✓ 0.6V:

1	\$DATA1 SOURCE='HSPICE' VERSION='0-2018.09 linux64' PARAM_COUNT=0			
2	.TITLE '.title conv 2x2'			
3	tpd	pwr	temper	alter#
4	2.558e-09	2.877e-04	25.0000	1

Energy-Delay Product =  $7.359366 \times 10^{-13}$

✓ 0.55V:

1	\$DATA1	SOURCE='HSPICE'	VERSION='0-2018.09 linux64'	PARAM_COUNT=0
2	.TITLE	.title conv 2x2'		
3	tpd	pwr	temper	alter#
4	2.574e-09	2.182e-04	25.0000	1

Energy-Delay Product =  $5.616468 \times 10^{-13}$

✓ 0.5V:

1	\$DATA1	SOURCE='HSPICE'	VERSION='0-2018.09 linux64'	PARAM_COUNT=0
2	.TITLE	.title conv 2x2'		
3	tpd	pwr	temper	alter#
4	2.599e-09	1.591e-04	25.0000	1

Energy-Delay Product =  $4.135009 \times 10^{-13}$

✓ 0.45V:

1	\$DATA1	SOURCE='HSPICE'	VERSION='0-2018.09 linux64'	PARAM_COUNT=0
2	.TITLE	.title conv 2x2'		
3	tpd	pwr	temper	alter#
4	failed	1.085e-04	25.0000	1

## CIRCUIT FAIL

Ans: Minimal Energy-Delay Product appears at 0.5V,

$4.135009 \times 10^{-13}$

## ✚ 2x2 Convolution (pipeline)

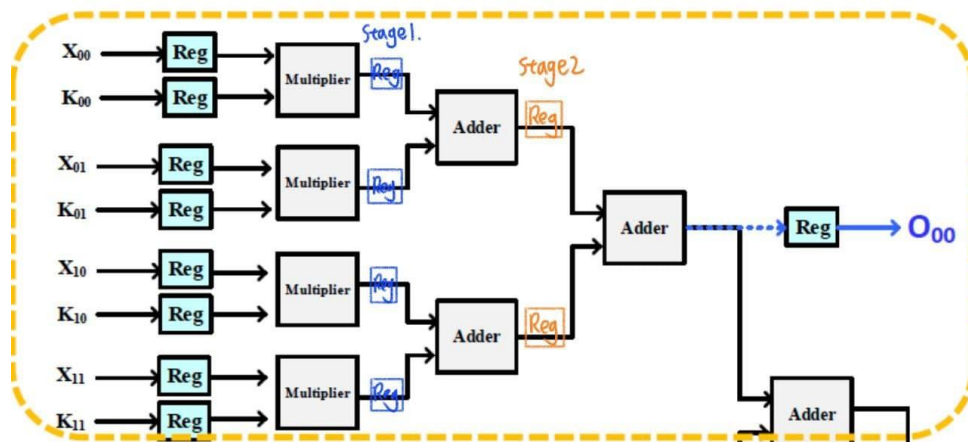


Figure 4. Schematic of 2x2 Convolution pipelined design

## ➤ HSPICE waveform

### Input Pattern:

```

pattern_pp - Notepad
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io 1 1 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111
tunit ps
slope 10
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vil 0
period 1000

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1 1 1000 1010 1011 0001 1101 0101 1011 1111
1 1 0010 0001 0111 0001 1101 0101 0111 0001
1 1 1000 1010 0011 0101 1110 0001 1011 1000
1 1 1000 1010 1001 1111 1101 0001 1011 1000
1 1 1000 1000 1111 0001 0111 0101 1011 0000
1 1 1001 1011 0010 0001 1000 0101 0011 0100
1 1 1001 1000 0010 0001 1001 0111 0011 0101
1 1 1000 1011 1010 0001 1001 0101 0001 0101

```

Figure 5. Input pattern vector file



Figure 6. Waveform of 2x2 Convolution pipelined circuit

### Critical Path:

Point	Incr	Path
-----		
clock clk (rise edge)	0.00	0.00
clock network delay (ideal)	0.00	0.00
PPR2_2_reg[0]/CLK (ASYNC_DFFHx1_ASAP7_75t_R)	0.00	0.00 r
PPR2_2_reg[0]/QN (ASYNC_DFFHx1_ASAP7_75t_R)	56.07	56.07 r
U400/Y (NOR2xp33_ASAP7_75t_R)	43.23	99.30 f
U868/Y (MAJExp5_ASAP7_75t_R)	43.31	142.61 r
U909/Y (MAJExp5_ASAP7_75t_R)	32.54	175.14 f
U924/Y (MAJExp5_ASAP7_75t_R)	35.42	210.56 r
U1005/Y (MAJExp5_ASAP7_75t_R)	31.25	241.81 f
U1020/Y (MAJExp5_ASAP7_75t_R)	35.13	276.94 r
U1041/Y (MAJExp5_ASAP7_75t_R)	31.23	308.16 f
U1042/Y (MAJExp5_ASAP7_75t_R)	32.97	341.13 r
U1083/Y (AND2x2_ASAP7_75t_R)	25.48	366.61 r
U381/Y (NOR2xp33_ASAP7_75t_R)	14.86	381.47 f
U1084/SN (HExp5_ASAP7_75t_R)	25.55	407.03 f
U1085/Y (NAND2xp33_ASAP7_75t_R)	11.80	418.83 r
U462/Y (NAND2xp33_ASAP7_75t_R)	11.59	430.42 f
Out_OFM_reg[8]/D (ASYNC_DFFHx1_ASAP7_75t_R)	0.00	430.42 f
data arrival time		430.42
clock clk (rise edge)	1000.00	1000.00
clock network delay (ideal)	0.00	1000.00
Out_OFM_reg[8]/CLK (ASYNC_DFFHx1_ASAP7_75t_R)	0.00	1000.00 r
library setup time	-16.27	983.73
data required time		983.73
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data required time		983.73
data arrival time		-430.42
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slack (MET)		553.32

Figure 7. Timing Report 2x2 Pipelined Convolution Circuit

Critical Path: n190 (r) → n371(f)

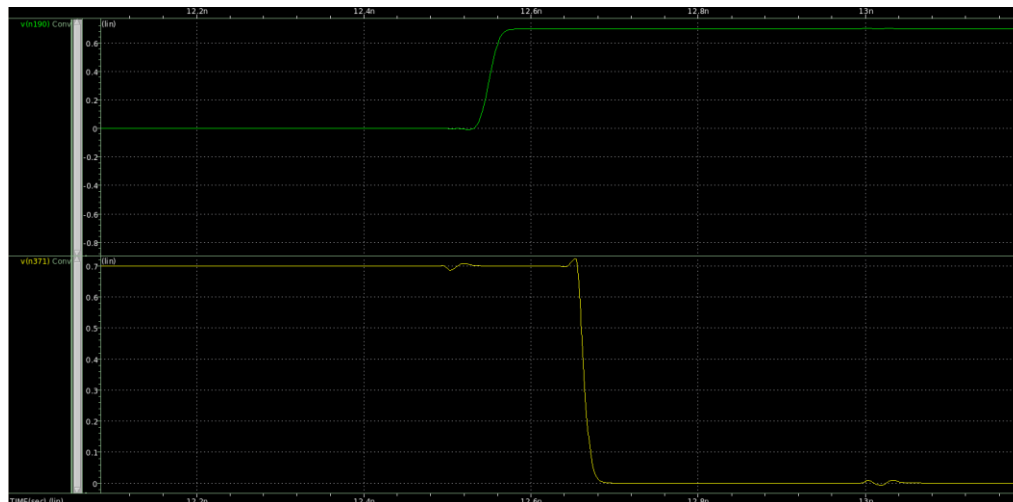


Figure 8. Rising edge of node 190 and falling edge of node 371

## ➤ Voltage Scaling

✓ 0.7V:

```
***** transient analysis tnom= 25.000 temp= 25.000 *****  
tpd= 112.7391p targ= 12.6630n trig= 12.5502n  
pwr= 227.6791u from= 0. to= 16.0000n
```

Energy-Delay Product =  $2.5668 \cdot 10^{-14}$

✓ 0.65V:

```
***** transient analysis tnom= 25.000 temp= 25.000 *****  
tpd= 127.6415p targ= 12.6850n trig= 12.5574n  
pwr= 194.7061u from= 0. to= 16.0000n
```

Energy-Delay Product =  $2.4852 \cdot 10^{-14}$

✓ 0.6V:

```
***** transient analysis tnom= 25.000 temp= 25.000 *****  
tpd= 149.0594p targ= 12.7167n trig= 12.5676n  
pwr= 164.4839u from= 0. to= 16.0000n
```

Energy-Delay Product =  $2.4518 \cdot 10^{-14}$

✓ 0.55V:

```
***** transient analysis tnom= 25.000 temp= 25.000 *****  
tpd= 181.3551p targ= 12.7641n trig= 12.5828n  
pwr= 137.1577u from= 0. to= 16.0000n
```

Energy-Delay Product =  $2.4874 \cdot 10^{-14}$

✓ 0.5V:

```
***** transient analysis tnom= 25.000 temp= 25.000 *****  
tpd= 181.4802p targ= 12.7643n trig= 12.5828n  
pwr= 137.0283u from= 0. to= 16.0000n
```

Energy-Delay Product =  $2.48679 \cdot 10^{-14}$

✓ 0.45V:

```
***** transient analysis tnom= 25.000 temp= 25.000 *****  
tpd= 181.5638p targ= 12.7643n trig= 12.5828n  
pwr= 138.0611u from= 0. to= 16.0000n
```

Energy-Delay Product =  $2.5066 \times 10^{-14}$

✓ 0.4V

**CIRCUIT FAIL**

Ans: The minimal energy-delay product appears at 0.6V,

$2.4518 \times 10^{-14}$ .