

Introduction to VLSI (ECE361) & Advanced VLSI, Spring 2013 Assignment-2

Due: Mon., 28-1-2013

CMOS INVERTER CHARACTERISTICS IN THE PRESENCE OF PROCESS VARIATION

Problem-1

Design a CMOS inverter with $\frac{W_P}{L_P} = K \frac{W_N}{L_N}$ and K=3 and obtain its transfer characteristics. Analyse the Noise Margins(NM_H and NM_L) of the designed inverter for typical process corners.

Problem-2

Analyse the Noise Margins for (a) Slow and (b) Fast process corners.

Problem-3

- 1. Perform Monte Carlo simulations for variations in the W, L, V_{th} .
- 2. Perform mismatch analysis for different values of 'K'.

Problem-4

Analyse the effect of supply voltage scaling(by 10 %) on the inverter's characteristics.

Tools and Technology

You will be using LTSPICE or other tools for the simulations using 90nm MOS corner models.

Deliverables

A pdf document containing

- 1. A brief write up on the theoretical analysis of the problem.
- 2. Circuit schematics and SPICE results (graphs) along with your detatiled observations on the results.