National University of Singapore Electrical and Computer Engineering

CG2027 (Transistor-Level Digital Circuits) Assignment #2

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Due: Aug. 22, 2021 (18:00)

Problem 1: Load Estimate (Capacitance and Resistance)

We assume a wire length of 200um, and width of 0.2um.



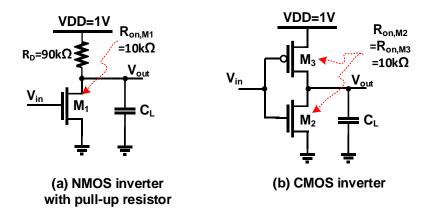
- a) Calculate the value of C_{wire} for the wire segment A to B of the metal. Assume area capacitance is 19 AF/um2, and fringe capacitance is 61 AF/um.
- b) Calculate the value of R_{wire} for the segment A to B. Assume the sheet resistance of the metal is given as $0.04/\Box$.

Problem 2: Propagation Delay and IR Drop

- a) For the wire given in Problem 1, assuming 4mA of current is flowing through the segment, what is the IR drop?
- b) If a voltage source with 50Ω output impedance is driving this wire segment, what is the propagation delay t_p ?

Problem 3: Inverter Output Voltage

We assume two inverters: (a) an NMOS inverter with pull-up resistor, and (b) a CMOS inverter, as shown below. Assume the on resistance of all the transistors (M1-M3) is $10k\Omega$.



- a) For the NMOS inverter shown in the figure 3 (a), what is the steady-state V_{out} value when V_{in} =0V and 1V, respectively?
- b) For the CMOS inverter shown in Fig. 3(b), what is the steady-state V_{out} value when V_{in} =0V and 1V, respectively?