## ECE 445 Design Project – 4-bit Carry-Ripple Adder February 20, 2018

Part A: Design an inverter, ring oscillator, and buffer which meet the following specifications:

- 1. Limitations
  - (a) Temperature = 27 C.
  - (b)  $V_{DD} \le 1.2 \text{ V}.$
- 2. 1X Inverter
  - (a)  $L_n = L_p = 65 \text{ nm}$ ;  $W_n = 100 \text{ nm}$ ;  $W_p \ge W_n$ .
  - (b) Switching voltage  $(V_S) \approx V_{DD}/2$ .
  - (c)  $t_{P_{HL}} \approx t_{P_{LH}}$ .
- 3. Ring Oscillator (using 1X inverters)
  - (a)  $f = 1 \text{ GHz } \pm 3\%$ .
  - (b) Power =?
- 4. Digital Buffer
  - (a) Buffer should allow the Ring Oscillator to drive a load capacitance of 5 pF.
  - (b) Power =?

Due: 22 March 2018

**Part B:** Design a 4-bit carry-ripple adder configured as a counter using the 65nm CMOS process which meets the following specifications:

- 1. Performance and Limitations:
  - (a) The 4-bit counter increments by "1" each clock cycle.
  - (b) Clock frequency = 5 GHz.
  - (c) Temperature = 27 C.
  - (d)  $L_n = L_p = 65 \text{ nm}$ ;  $W_n = 100 \text{ nm}$ ;  $W_p \ge W_n$ .
  - (e) Average power consumption = minimum. The design with the lowest average power consumption wins a prize!!!
- 2. Inputs (3):
  - (a) Single ground node labeled: "gnd".
  - (b) Single DC voltage source  $V_{sup} \le 1.2 \text{ V}$  labeled as "vsup".

- (c) Ideal clock using the PULSE generator input to a sequence of three 1X-inverters. The output the tjord inverter is labeled as "clk".
  - i. Period = 0.2 ns.
  - ii. Voltage levels: 0 and  $V_{sup}$ .
  - iii. Rise time, fall time, and duty cycle: up to the designer.

## 3. Outputs (4):

- (a) Most significant bit labeled as "s3".
- (b) Next most significant bit labeled as "s2".
- (c) Next most significant bit labeled as "s1",
- (d) Least significant bit labeled as "s0".

Due: Last week of class.