

**MEVD-204 B**  
**ME/M.Tech (Second Semester) MEVD**  
**EXAMINATION, July/August, 2008**  
**System Hardware Design**  
*Time: Three Hours*  
*Maximum Marks: 100*  
*Minimum Pass Marks: 40*

**Note: Attempt any Five Questions. All questions carry equal marks.**

- Q.1 Give an overview of current CMOS technologies. What are the basic semiconductor processes involved in fabrication of IC's.
- Q.2a) What is FET? Discuss its switching characteristics compare these characteristics with those of BJT.  
b) What are active resistors. Explain. Also give design procedure of such resistors.
- Q.3a) What is CMOS. Explain. Draw circuit diagram of a CMOS-NOR gate and explain its working.  
b) Define all characteristic parameters of digital IC's with specific reference to CMOS logic.
- Q.4a) What is signal propagation delay? Explain. Give various delay models.  
b) What is capacitive loading? How it can be minimized? Explain.
- Q.5a) Explain the working of a step-ramp analog to digital converter.  
b) Draw a circuit for R-2R ladder resistive network which can be used in a 6 bit D/A converter. Label all the inputs and outputs. Calculate its percent resolution and the output voltages caused by each bit if the input levels are  $v(o)=0$  and  $v(i)=5$  volts.
- Q.6 What are HDL's? Explain their importance and applications in brief.
- Q.7a) Discuss IC layout design rules in brief.  
b) Give the VLSI design flow chart and explain in brief.
- Q.8 Write short notes (any two)  
a) A current mirror  
b) Switched capacitor filters  
c) ASIC design flow  
d) Voltage reference  
e) CMOS with transmission gates