

# Investigation of Different Width Size of Transistor on Internal Resistance and Output Power in CMOS Rectifier Using Two PMOS and NMOS

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**Abstract**— This paper presents the simulation studies on different width size of PMOS and NMOS on internal resistance and output power in CMOS rectifier. This investigation focuses on the internal resistance of the MOSFET and output power in the rectifier. The proposed CMOS rectifier considered the PMOS carrier mobility by increasing the width size of transistors rapidly. This simulation is done using CADENCE simulation software. The best configuration of CMOS rectifier is selected based on the total internal resistance and output power of the CMOS rectifier.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

The needs of DC supply voltage are increasing exponentially by time. The DC supply plays as an important role in energy scavenging system, radio frequency identification (RFID), and antenna[1]–[6]. The input voltage from the environment is accumulated and converted using rectifier block. The conventional rectifier has a disadvantage of high voltage drop in the converter since it has high internal resistance. Then, researchers find a way to replace the converter using Schottky-diode and CMOS technology which have lower voltage drop in the converter compared to the previous design[7], [8]. However, Schottky-diode did not compatible with the CMOS technologies therefore did not suited CMOS implementations [9]. So, all the researchers work on the CMOS rectifier for the applications that have low input voltage[9], [10]. In the converter design, it consist PMOS and NMOS transistors. The transistors have different carrier mobility. The mobility of carriers in the channel is one of the fundamental parameters of MOSFET operation. The carrier mobility determines the current drive, the transconductance, and the speed of the transistor[11]. Many researchers do hard works to improve the mobility problem in PMOS[11]–[15]. However, for the CMOS rectifier circuit, the design have similar width size of transistors for PMOS and NMOS. There are no consideration of carrier mobility in PMOS in the CMOS rectifier. This paper presented the

variation of design using similar topologies (two PMOS and NMOS).

## II. TYPICAL CMOS RECTIFIER

Typical CMOS rectifier is based on the conventional rectifier shown in Figure 1. CMOS consist of PMOS and NMOS can create the virtual diode based on their structured. In CMOS rectifier, as shown in Figure 3 the circuit consist of two PMOS (M1 and M3) and two NMOS (M2 and M4). In previous work, the CMOS rectifier is designed with the similar width size of transistors for PMOS and NMOS which is at 750 $\mu$ m [12-14]. For each positive and negative cycle two transistor will turn on (PMOS and NMOS) that is shows in Figure 4 and 5. For positive cycle, M1 and M4 is turn on while M2 and M3 will turn on in negative cycle. The main issue highlighted in this paper is the size of PMOS and NMOS which should not be in the same size regarding to the different carrier mobility for both type of MOSFET[13], [15].

The design configuration of CMOS rectifier will be discussed and presented in the next section.

## III. PROPOSED CMOS RECTIFIER

The drive current capability for PMOS and NMOS is different. The electron in NMOS is lighter thus make the higher mobility compared to PMOS[13]. In previous design, CMOS rectifier is design with the same width size of transistors for PMOS and NMOS[1], [5], [16]–[18]. The proposed CMOS rectifier consists of PMOS and NMOS. In this paper, the mobility of PMOS is tolerated in CMOS rectifier. The pattern of resistance and output power are taken by varying the width size of transistors. The width size of PMOS is increased to have lower internal resistance in the transistor and to overcome the low mobility in PMOS. It will increase the performance of CMOS rectifier that is presented in the result. Section IV will explain the configuration design of CMOS rectifier in details.

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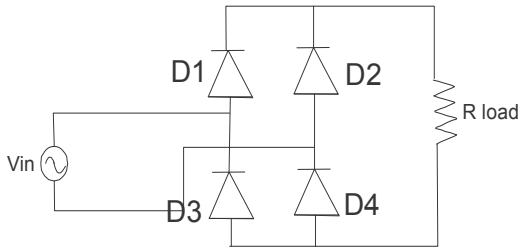


Fig. 1. Conventional AC/DC converter

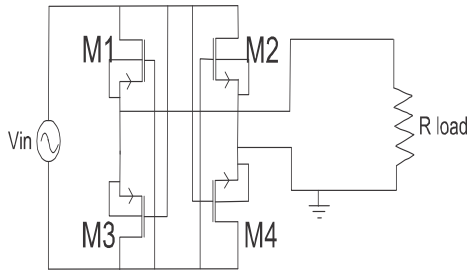


Fig. 2. Circuit of CMOS Rectifier

#### IV. COMPUTER SIMULATION MODEL

In this section, there are two types of analysis which are the analysis on the internal resistance and the analysis to observe the output power of the CMOS rectifier. The simulation is done using CADENCE simulation software. The input voltage is set to  $1V_p$  and load is set to  $2k\Omega$ .

##### A. Analysis of different design configuration of transistors on internal resistance in CMOS rectifier.

In this analysis, CMOS rectifier is designed in two different analyses. The focused on this design is to determine the internal resistance of the converter which is the resistance in PMOS and NMOS. The first analysis set the width size for all transistors to be similar. The designs are varied from small, medium and large width sizes. It is represented by design 1, 2, and 3. For second analysis, the width size of PMOS transistor is varied to improve the drive current in the circuit. The PMOS width size is enlarged to  $1100\mu m$  and  $1500\mu m$  (design 4 and 5) while the NMOS size is set at  $750\mu m$ .

##### B. Analysis on the width size of transistors to the output power in CMOS rectifier

This analysis focused on the output power occurred from the converter. Two different design configurations are analyzed. For the first design configuration, the width size of PMOS and NMOS is set to be similar. The width size of the transistors is varied from  $10\mu m$  to  $1200\mu m$ . In the second

design configurations, the width size of PMOS is varied from  $800\mu m$  to  $1500\mu m$  while the width size of NMOS is set at  $750\mu m$ . The second analysis is done to observe the variations of output power when the drive current is improved. These two analyses are done to get the profile of output power by the CMOS rectifier.

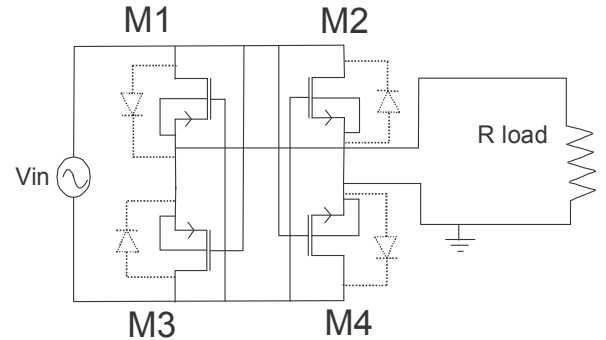


Fig. 3. Circuit of CMOS Rectifier with virtual diode

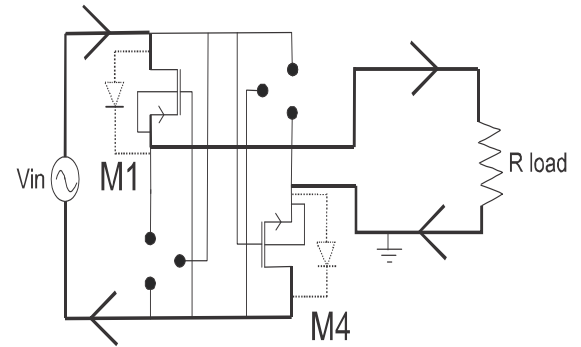


Fig. 4. Simplified circuit for positive cycle in CMOS Rectifier

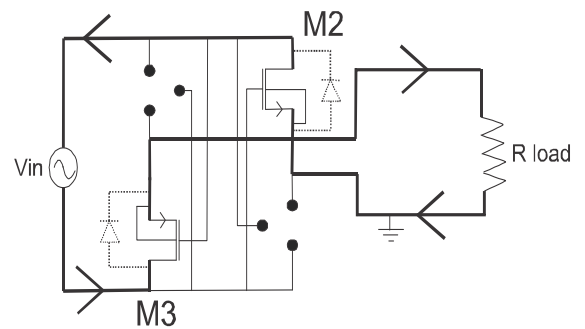


Fig. 5. Simplified circuit for negative cycle in CMOS Rectifier

## V. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

For every cycle (positive and negative cycle) of the input voltage, the PMOS and NMOS will be represented as a diode which have the internal resistance. The simplified circuit for the PMOS and NMOS transistor is shown in Figure 6. In analysis A, the result for five design is shown in Table I. Design 1 to 3 shows the design for the similar width size of the transistors. Design 4 and 5 shows the PMOS width size that is enlarged. For the analysis of similar width size of transistors, design 3 have the total resistance at  $7.60 \Omega$  and for the study of enlarging the PMOS width size, design 5 have the total resistance at  $4.60 \Omega$  compared to  $5.80 \Omega$  for design 4. It prove that the width size is one of the factor that effect the internal resistance in the transistors. The larger the width size of the transistor make the bigger current to go through to the transistor thus have the small value of the resistance. In design 4 and 5, the PMOS width size is set to be larger than NMOS width size to consider the low mobility of the PMOS. The PMOS width size from design 5 is designed twice from the NMOS width size. The design overcome the problem of lesser mobility in PMOS hence improves drive capability of PMOS. Figure 7 shows the graph plotted for the total resistance in analysis A.

In Analysis B, the performance of the CMOS rectifier is determined by finding the output power of the circuit. The analysis is done for the similar width size of the transistor which is shown in Table II and illustrated in Figure 8. The other analysis is the analysis which have the width size of PMOS larger than NMOS. This design configuration considered the low mobility of holes occurred in PMOS transistor compare to the electron occurs in NMOS. The result is shown in Table III and Figure 9. The output power is constant for designs  $1000\mu/750\mu$  to  $1500\mu/750\mu$  at  $4.898 \times 10^{-4}$  W. This is because it already achieved the current stability through the transistors in CMOS rectifier.

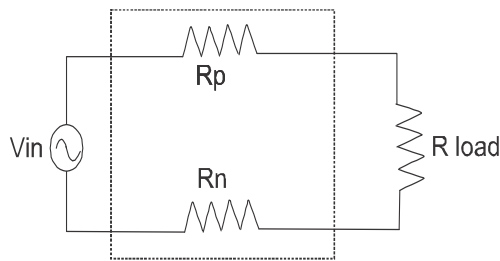


Fig. 6. Internal resistance for positive and negative cycle in CMOS rectifier

TABLE I. THE INTERNAL RESISTANCE FOR ANALYSIS A

Design	Design of CMOS rectifier (PMOS/NMOS)	Total Resistance( $\Omega$ )
1	$4\mu/4\mu$	1570.00
2	$50\mu/50\mu$	107.00
3	$750\mu/750\mu$	7.60
4	$1100\mu/750\mu$	5.80
5	$1500\mu/750\mu$	4.60

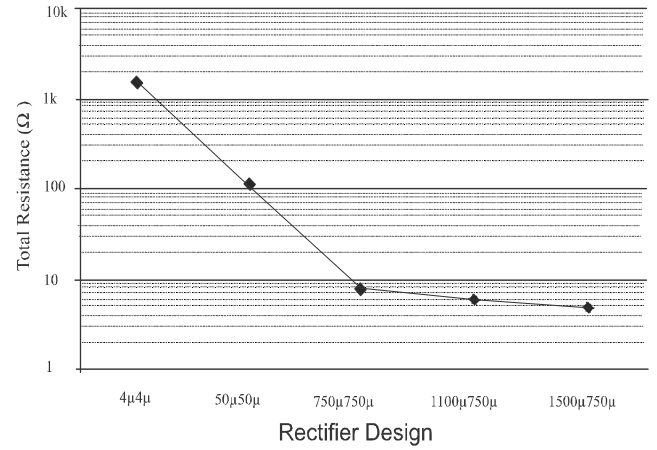


Fig. 7. Internal resistance for positive and negative cycle in CMOS rectifier

TABLE II. THE OUTPUT POWER FOR ANALYSIS B ( FOR SIMILAR WIDTH SIZE OF TRANSISTORS)

Rectifier design	Power ( $\times 10^{-4}$ W)	Rectifier design	Power ( $\times 10^{-4}$ W)
$10\mu/10\mu$	2.98	$300\mu/300\mu$	4.85
$20\mu/20\mu$	3.82	$400\mu/400\mu$	4.89
$30\mu/30\mu$	4.15	$500\mu/500\mu$	4.94
$40\mu/40\mu$	4.32	$600\mu/600\mu$	4.95
$50\mu/50\mu$	4.44	$700\mu/700\mu$	4.92
$60\mu/60\mu$	4.52	$750\mu/750\mu$	4.92
$70\mu/70\mu$	4.54	$800\mu/800\mu$	4.91
$80\mu/80\mu$	4.61	$900\mu/900\mu$	4.91
$90\mu/90\mu$	4.69	$1000\mu/1000\mu$	4.91
$100\mu/100\mu$	4.68	$1100\mu/1100\mu$	4.91
$200\mu/200\mu$	4.80	$1200\mu/1200\mu$	4.92

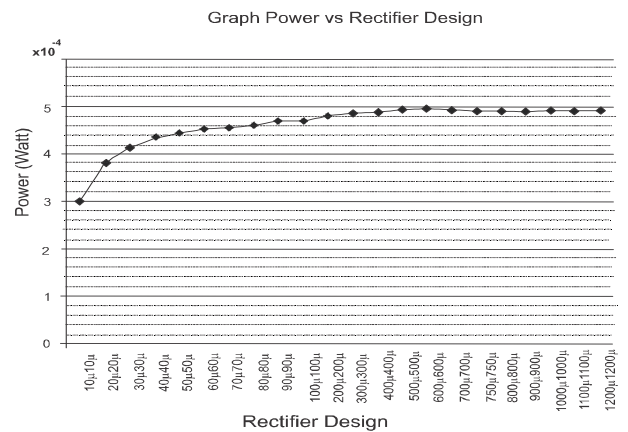


Fig. 8. Internal resistance for each cycle in CMOS rectifier

TABLE III. THE OUTPUT POWER FOR ANALYSIS B (WIDTH SIZE OF PMOS IS LARGER AND NMOS AT 750  $\mu\text{m}$ )

Rectifier design	Power ( $\times 10^{-4}$ W)
800 $\mu\text{m}$ /750 $\mu\text{m}$	4.886
900 $\mu\text{m}$ /750 $\mu\text{m}$	4.896
1000 $\mu\text{m}$ /750 $\mu\text{m}$	4.898
1100 $\mu\text{m}$ /750 $\mu\text{m}$	4.898
1300 $\mu\text{m}$ /750 $\mu\text{m}$	4.898
1500 $\mu\text{m}$ /750 $\mu\text{m}$	4.898

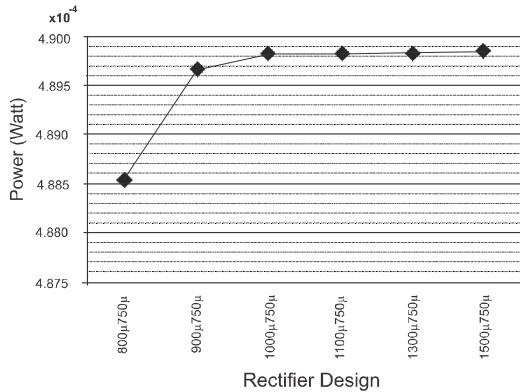


Fig. 9. Output power for analysis B for width size of PMOS larger than NMOS in CMOS Rectifier

## VI. CONCLUSION

The analyses are to determine the low internal resistance and the performance of the CMOS rectifier. Based on the analyses from analysis A and B the design that has lowest total resistance is design 5 that is 4.60  $\Omega$ . The design configuration for design 5 is 1500 $\mu\text{m}$  of PMOS and 750 $\mu\text{m}$  of NMOS. For the output power in CMOS rectifier, four designs are discussed in analysis B, have the same output power performance (1000 $\mu\text{m}$ /750 $\mu\text{m}$ , 1100 $\mu\text{m}$ /750 $\mu\text{m}$ , 1300 $\mu\text{m}$ /750 $\mu\text{m}$  and 1500 $\mu\text{m}$ /750 $\mu\text{m}$ ) which is 4.898  $\times 10^{-4}$  W. Design 5 is chose as the best circuit design since it has low internal resistance and optimum output performance of CMOS rectifier. This design mitigate the low PMOS mobility problem which is need to be larger than NMOS size.

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