

Design a NAND Gate using CMOS transistor

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Objective: -

To design a nand gate on Cadence Virtuoso tool using GPDK90 technology.

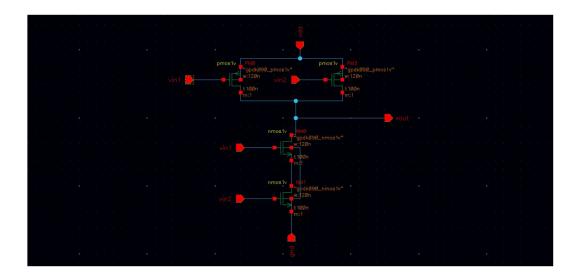
Tools and Technologies: -

- Cadence Virtuoso
- GPDK90 technology

Design Flow (procedure): -

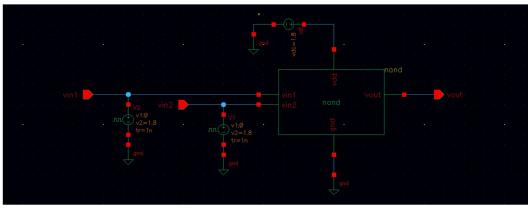
1. Schematic Design

• The CMOS nand gate schematic was created in Cadence Virtuoso, followed by symbol generation for reuse in simulations and testbenches.



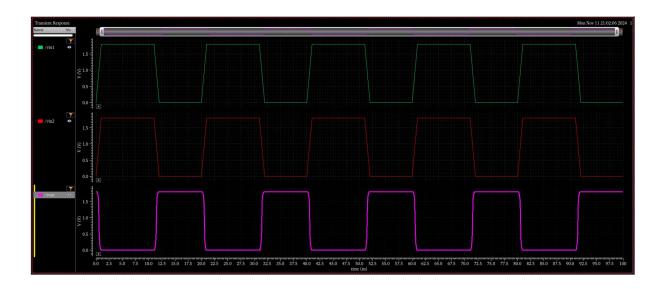
2. Testbench Setup

• A testbench was designed to simulate the behaviour of the CMOS nand and validate its output characteristics.



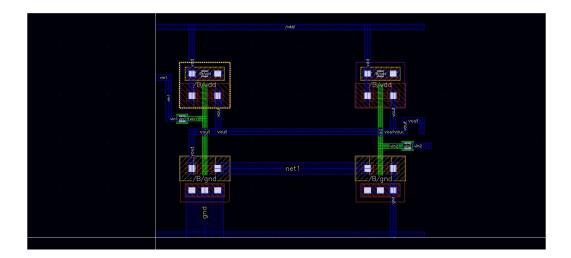
3. Simulation Results

• The Nand's Voltage Transfer Characteristics (VTC) and threshold voltage were measured through transient and DC sweep analyses.



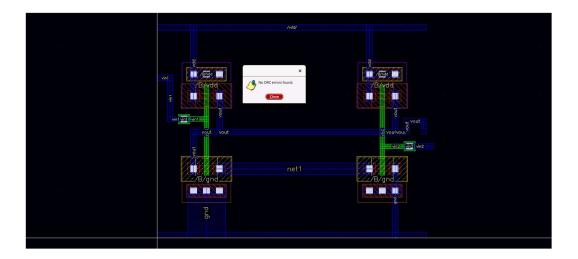
4. Layout Design

• The layout of the CMOS nand was designed, following the specifications of GPDK90 technology. This layout forms the foundation for DRC and LVS checks.



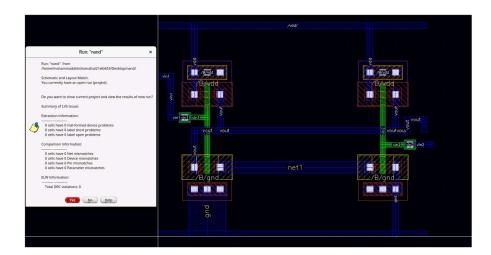
5. DRC Check

• Design Rule Check (DRC) check was performed to verify that the layout complies with fabrication rules.



6. LVS Check

• Layout Versus Schematic (LVS) check was performed to verify that the layout complies with matches the schematic.



7. Pre-Layout and Post-Layout Simulations

• Simulations were performed on both pre-layout and post-layout designs to compare performance metrics such as delay.

• Pre-Layout Results

• The delay measured in pre-layout simulations was found to be 66.17 ps.



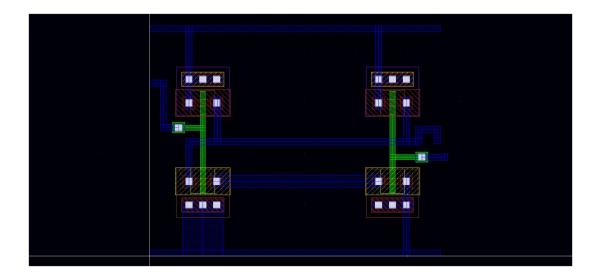
• Post-Layout Results

• Post-layout simulations showed an increase in delay to 85.12 ps due to parasitic effects.



8. GDSII File Generation

 The final layout was exported in GDSII format, ready for tape-out and further fabrication steps.



Conclusion: -

The project successfully covered the design, simulation, and layout of a CMOS nand using Cadence Virtuoso. Beginning with the schematic design and testbench setup, the Nand's performance was validated through simulations, ensuring accurate Voltage Transfer Characteristics (VTC) and threshold voltage measurements. The subsequent layout design adhered to the GPDK90 technology specifications, forming a reliable base for DRC and LVS checks, which confirmed compliance with design and fabrication rules. The final GDSII file generation prepares the layout for potential tapeout, completing the design process for fabrication readiness. This comprehensive flow establishes a robust approach for CMOS nand design and verification, ensuring both functionality and manufacturability.