

Analog details behind the digital abstraction

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Some of the material is out of the textbook. Additional resources include Appendix B of Brown and Vranesic book, “Fundamentals of digital logic.”

1 Objectives

1. Describe how tri-state and open-collector outputs are different from totem-pole outputs
2. Compute noise margin of one device driving the same time

2 FPGA [1, Section B.6.5]

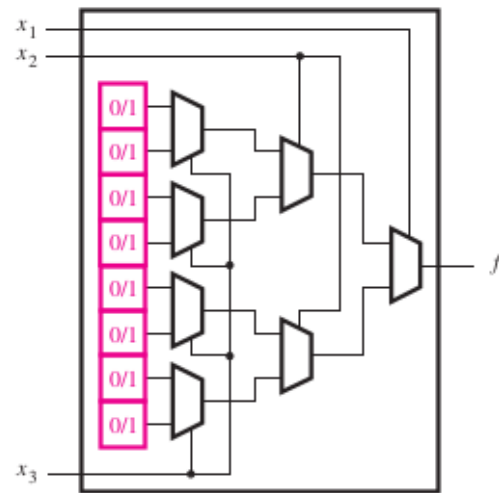
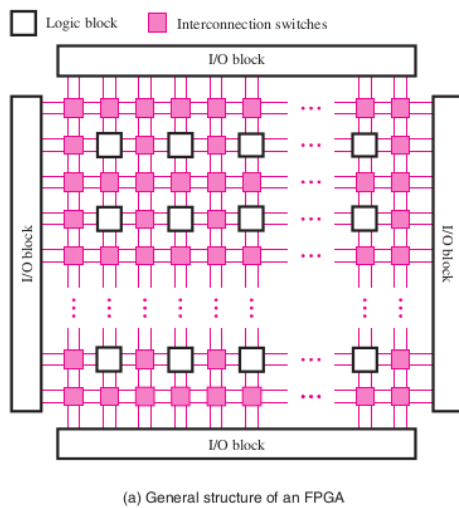


Figure B.37 A three-input LUT.

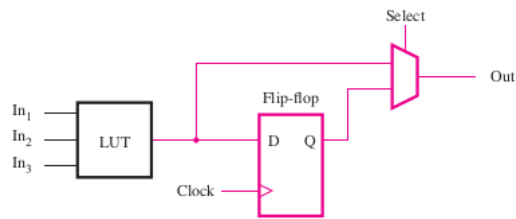


Figure B.38 Inclusion of a flip-flop in an FPGA logic element.

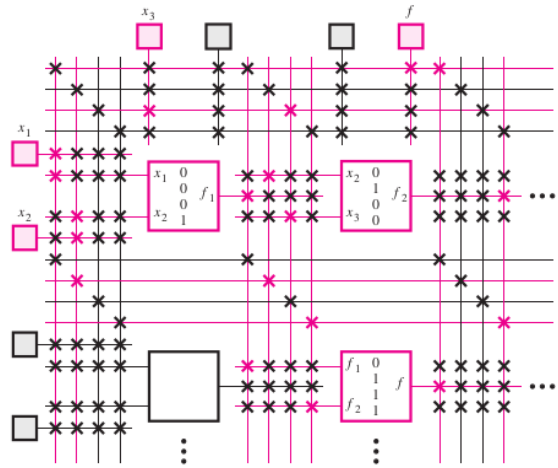
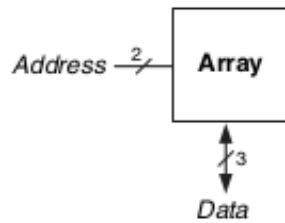


Figure B.39 A section of a programmed FPGA.

Definition 1 (Random Access Memory (RAM)). *Structure of a RAM is as follows:*



(a)



(b)

Figure 5.39 4×3 memory array: (a) symbol, (b) function

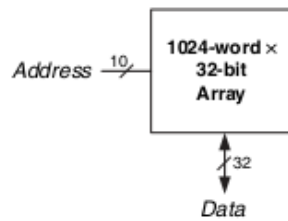


Figure 5.40 32 Kb array: depth = $2^{10} = 1024$ words, width = 32 bits

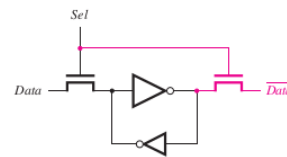


Figure B.64 An SRAM cell.

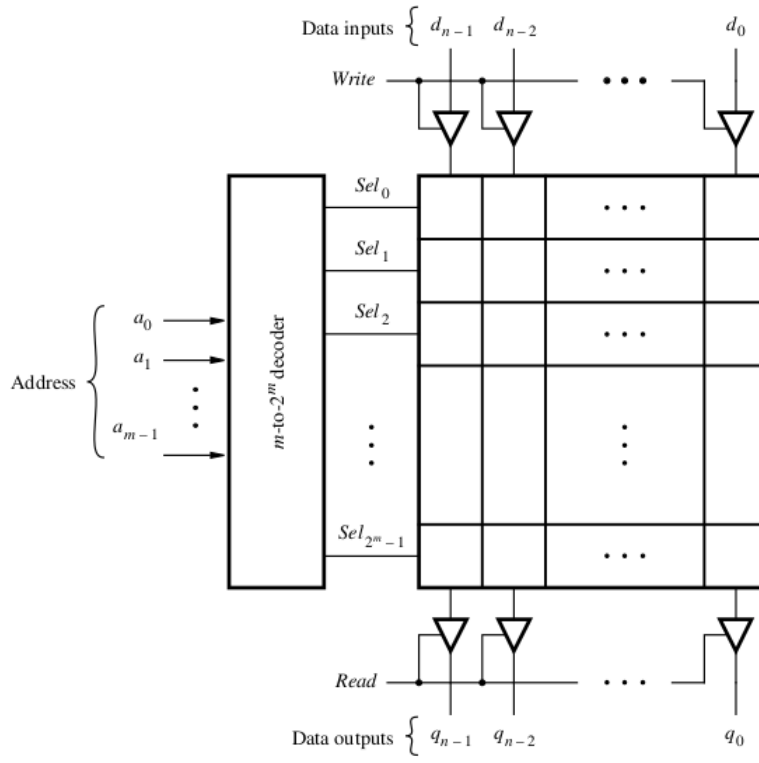


Figure B.66 A $2^m \times n$ SRAM block.

Definition 2 (Read Only Memory (ROM)). *Structure of a ROM is as follows:*

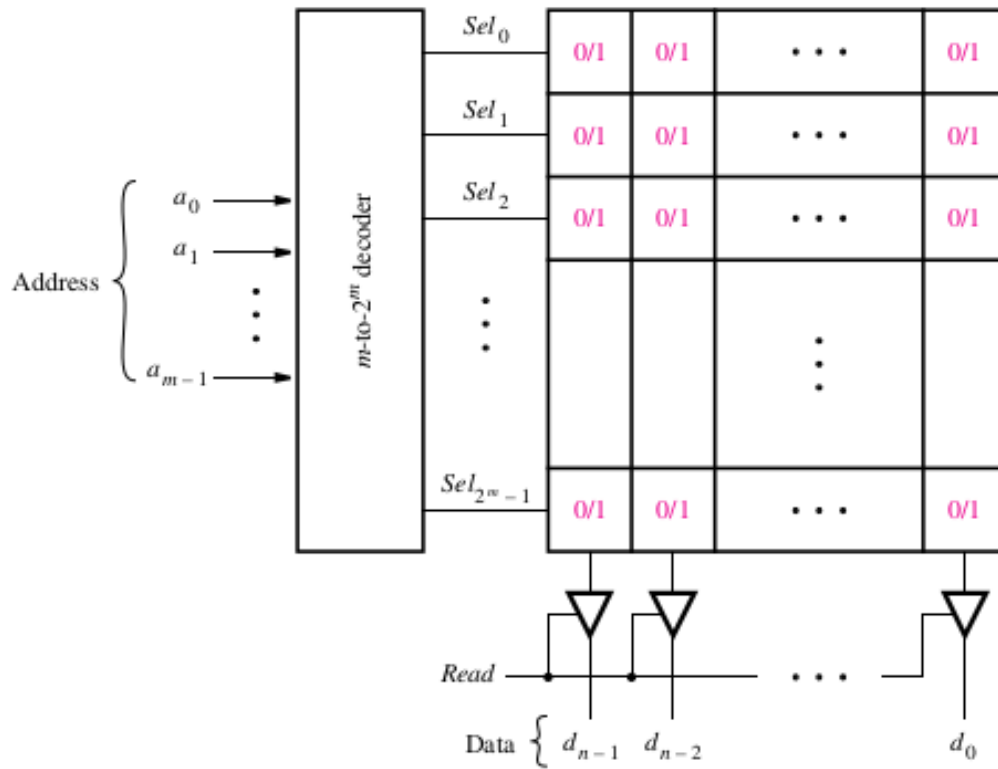
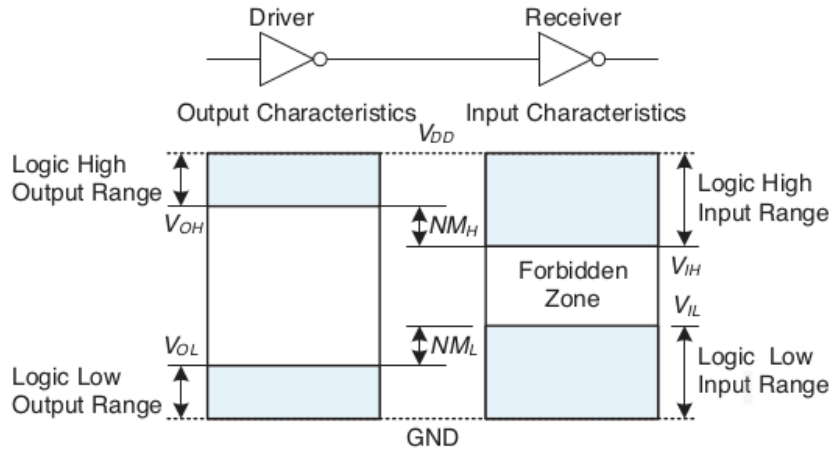


Figure B.72 A $2^m \times n$ read-only memory (ROM) block.

Example 1. Draw a Multiplexer using sum of products form.

3 Logic levels and Noise Margins



Definition 3 (Supply Voltage ($V_{DD}/V_{CC}/V_{SS}$)).

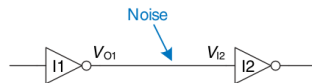
Definition 4 (Ground Voltage (V_{GND})).

Definition 5 (Input high (V_{IH}) and Input Low (V_{IL}) of a gate).

Definition 6 (Output high (V_{OH}) and Output low (V_{OL}) of gate).

Definition 7 (Positive logic and Negative logic).

Definition 8 (Noise margins (NM_L and NM_H) of a channel).



Example 2.

If $V_{DD} = 5V$, $V_{IL} = 1.35V$, $V_{IH} = 3.15V$, $V_{OL} = 0.33V$ and $V_{OH} = 3.84V$ for both the "inverters", then what are the low and high noise margins? Can the circuit tolerate 1V of noise at the channel?

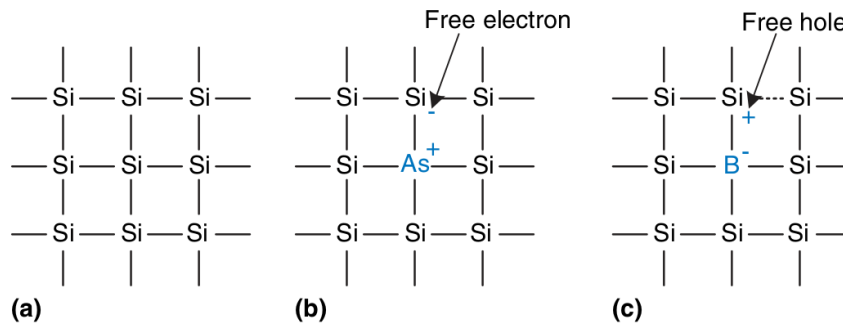
4 Semiconductors and Doping

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Elements recognized as metalloids V•T•E

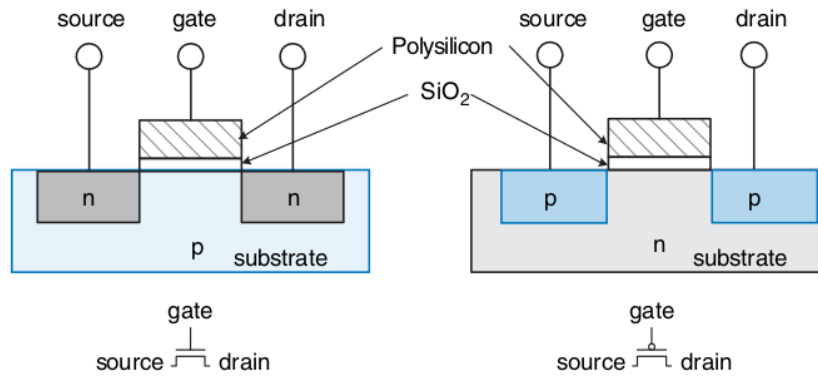
	13	14	15	16	17
2	B Boron	C Carbon	N Nitrogen	O Oxygen	F Fluorine
3	Al Aluminium	Si Silicon	P Phosphorus	S Sulfur	Cl Chlorine
4	Ga Gallium	Ge Germanium	As Arsenic	Se Selenium	Br Bromine
5	In Indium	Sn Tin	Sb Antimony	Te Tellurium	I Iodine
6	Tl Thallium	Pb Lead	Bi Bismuth	Po Polonium	At Astatine

Commonly recognized (86–99%): B, Si, Ge, As, Sb, Te
 Irregularly recognized (40–49%): Po, At
 Less commonly recognized (24%): Se
 Rarely recognized (8–10%): C, Al
 (All other elements cited in less than 6% of sources)
 Arbitrary metal-nonmetal dividing line: between Be and B, Al and Si, Ge and As, Sb and Te, Po and At



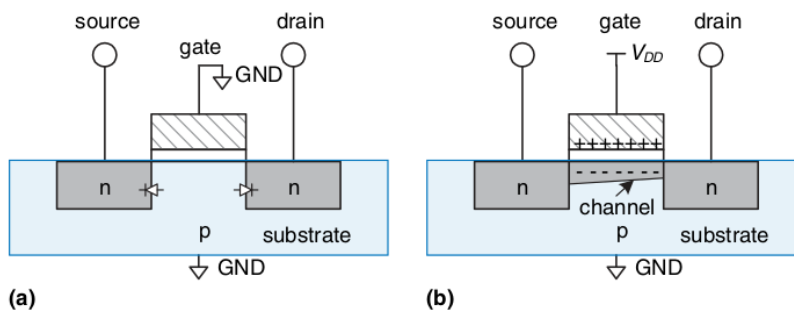
5 MOSFET: Metal Oxide Field Effect Transistors

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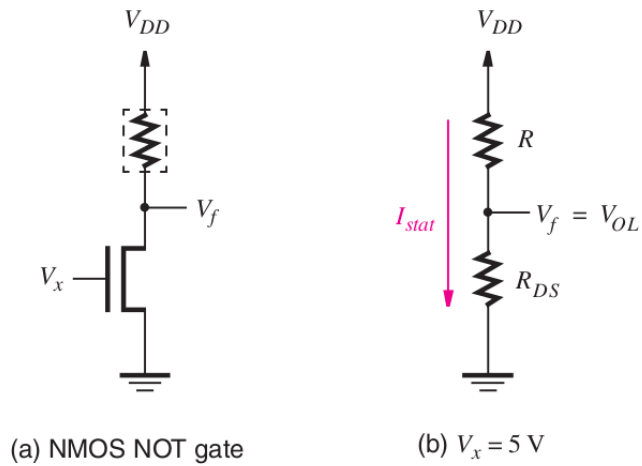
(b) pMOS

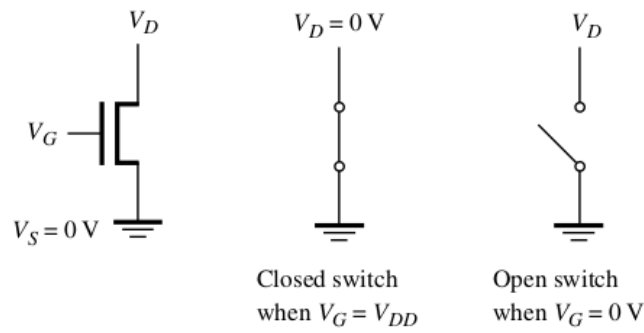
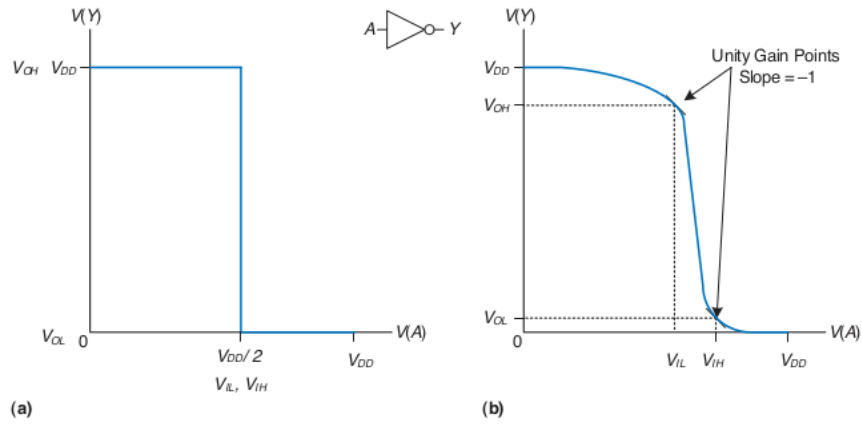


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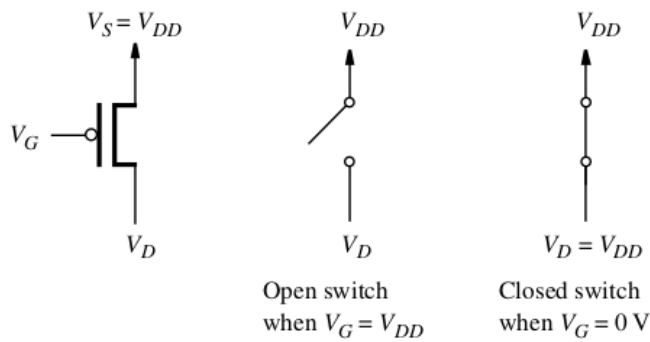
(b)

6 DC Transfer characteristic





(a) NMOS transistor



(b) PMOS transistor

Example 3. Draw a NOT gate using nMOS transistors.

Example 4. Draw a NOT gate using pMOS transistors.

Remark 1. nMOS transistors pass 0's well (output between 0 and $V_{DD} - V_t$). pMOS transistors pass 1's well (output between V_t and V_{DD}).

Example 5. Draw CMOS NOT Gate.

Example 6. Draw a two input CMOS NAND Gate

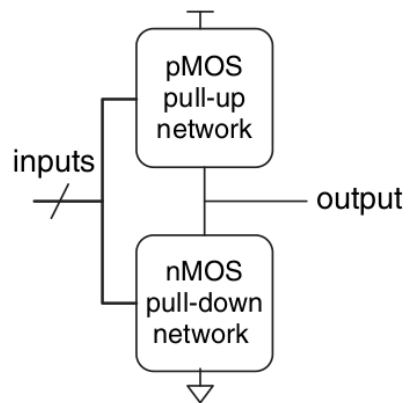
Definition 9 (Negative logic).

Example 7. Analyze the above circuit under negative logic.

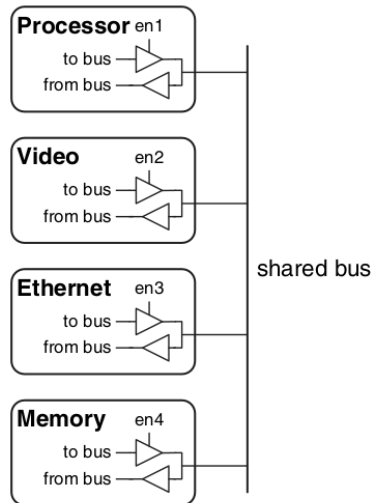
Example 8. Draw a three input NAND using CMOS.

Example 9. Draw a three input NOR using CMOS.

Example 10. Draw a two input AND gate using CMOS.



6.1 Gates with floating output



Definition 10 (Transmission gate). *Draw a schematic of transmission gate and truth table for transmission gate. What is its commonly used symbol?*

Definition 11 (Tristate buffer). *What is tristate buffer? Draw its symbol and truth table? Where is it used?*

Example 11. *Draw a Multiplexer using transmission gates.*

Example 12. *Draw a Multiplexer using tristate buffers.*

Definition 12 (Totem-pole). *Draw a Push-pull (or Totem-pole) output NAND gate using CMOS. Can you connect this gate to a shared bus?*

Definition 13 (Tristate). *Draw a Tristate output NAND gate using CMOS with an output enable (OE) input. Can you connect this gate to a shared bus?*

Definition 14 (Open-collector). *Draw a open-collector output NAND gate. Can you connect this gate to a shared bus?*

7 Verilog truth tables

Table 11-11—Bitwise binary AND operator

&	0	1	x	z
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	x	x
x	0	x	x	x
z	0	x	x	x

Table 11-12—Bitwise binary OR operator

	0	1	x	z
0	0	1	x	x
1	1	1	1	1
x	x	1	x	x
z	x	1	x	x

References

- [1] Brown Stephen and Vranesic Zvonko. *Fundamentals of digital Logic with Verilog design*. McGraw Hill, 2022.