

Question Paper

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Answer all the questions.

- 1) a) Describe the basic structure of Amorphous materials, Polycrystals and Single crystals. (10)
b) Discuss on crystal defects.
- 2) Explain the thermal oxidation mechanism. (10)
- 3) a) With a neat diagram, describe the structure of a MOSFET (10)
b) List the advantages of MOSFET over BJT.
- 4) Explain the concept of holes and islands in patterning. What are the basic photoresist components and their roles in the process? (10)
- 5) List the components of dynamic power dissipation? Explain them briefly with the relevant formulae and diagrams. (10)
- 6) Explain transistor sizing? What is its importance? Explain the T-sizing of the following Boolean expression: $Z = [(A.B + C.D).E]'$ (10)
- 7) Derive a complete low frequency, small signal model for a MOSFET with bulk effect. (10)
- 8) Describe a structured CMOS design? List its advantages? Explain the steps in this design with an example. (10)
- 9) Define noise margin for a gate. How do you determine the noise margin for a CMOS inverter using its DC transfer characteristics. (10)
- 10) a) Explain design rules? Compare lambda-based and micron-based design rules. (10)
b) Describe stick diagrams? Illustrate how are they helpful in physical layout? Explain.

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