

# Question Paper

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## MANIPAL ACADEMY OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Manipal School of Information Sciences (MSIS), Manipal  
Second Semester Master of Engineering - ME (VLSI Design) Degree Makeup Examination - June 2023

### Advanced VLSI Design [VLS 5201]

Marks: 100

Duration: 180 mins.

Wednesday, June 28, 2023

Answer all the questions.

- 1) a) Explain the effect of Temperature and Voltage on CMOS Resistor. (10)  
b) Estimate the minimum and maximum resistance of an n-well resistor with a length of  $100\mu\text{m}$  and a width of  $10\mu\text{m}$  over a temperature range of  $0$  to  $100^\circ\text{C}$ . [Data Given:  $\text{TCR} = 10,000\text{ppm}/^\circ\text{C}$ ; N-well sheet resistance =  $2\text{K}\Omega$  to  $3\text{K}\Omega/\text{square}$ ]
- 2) Write a note on different SPICE and BSIM MOSFET models. Explain a few important parameters used by them. (10)
- 3) Draw and explain the circuit of Cascode current mirror and show that output resistance of the n-stage cascode current mirror  $R_{o(n)} = r_o(1 + g_m R_{o(n-1)}) + R_{o(n-1)}$ , where  $r_o$  is output resistance of all the MOSFETs,  $g_m$  is the transconductance of all the MOS used in the circuit. (10)
- 4) With a diagram, explain cascode current mirror. List its advantages over a simple current mirror? (10)
- 5) Show how can we maximize the voltage gain of a CMOS Common-Source amplifier with passive resistor load? Illustrate the different trade-offs that should be done. Obtain the expression for the gain considering channel-length modulation. (10)
- 6) With the help of a small-signal equivalent circuit, develop an expression for  $A_v$  for a CMOS Common-Gate amplifier with passive resistor load. Assume finite output impedance,  $r_o$  and signal source impedance  $r_s$ . (10)
- 7) Describe a **Common Mode Range** (CMR) of a differential amplifier? Explain, with diagram, how do you measure it? (10)
- 8) Explain **charge injection** and **clock feedthrough** in a MOSFET switch? Discuss a method used to reduce their effect. (10)
- 9) Discuss the different errors that occur in a *Sample-and-Hold* circuit. (10)
- 10) Develop expressions for  $|\text{INL}|_{\text{max}}$  and  $|\text{DNL}|_{\text{max}}$  for a simple Resistor string DAC. (10)

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