

## **SOLUTIONS**

tive to variations in parasitics from one process to another.

- 4.23 The adder delay is 6.6 FO4 inverter delays, or about 133 ps in the 70 nm process.
- 4.24 F = (10 pF / 20 fF) = 500.  $N = \log_4 F = 4.5$ . Use a chain of four inverters with a stage (5 would also wor, but would produce the opposite polarity).  $D = 4F^{1/4} + 4 = 22.9 \tau = 4.58 \text{ FO4 delays}$ .
- 4.25 If the first upper inverter has size x and the lower 100-x and the second upper inverter has the same stage effort as the first (to achieve least delay), the least delays are:  $D = 2(300/x)^{1/2} + 2 = 300/(100-x) + 1$ . Hence x = 49.4,  $D = 6.9 \tau$ , and the sizes are 49.4 and 121.7 for the upper inverters and 50.6 for the lower inverter. Such circuits are called *forks* and are discussed in depth in [Sutherland99].
- 4.26 The clock buffer from Exercise 4.25 is an example of a 1-2 fork. In general, if a 1-2 fork has a maximum input capacitance of  $C_1$  and each of the two legs drives a load of  $C_2$ , what should the capacitance of each inverter be and how fast will the circuit operate? Express your answer in terms of  $P_{\text{inv}}$ .

Let the sizes be x and y in the 2-stage path and  $C_1 - x$  in the 1-stage path.

$$D = 2\sqrt{\frac{C_2}{x}} + 2p_{inv} = \frac{C_2}{C_1 - x} + p_{inv}$$

\*\*\* doesn't seem to have any closed-form solution

4.27 
$$P = aCV^2 f = 0.1 * (150e^{-12} * 70) * (0.9)^2 * 450e^6 = 0.38 W.$$

- 4.28 Dynamic power consumption will go down because it is quadratically dependent on  $V_{DD}$ . Static power will go up because subthreshold leakage is exponentially dependent on  $V_{DD}$ .
- 4.29 Simplify using  $V_{DD} >> v_T$ :

(a)

$$\begin{split} I_{1} &= I_{ds0}e^{\frac{-V_{I}}{v_{T}}} \left[ 1 - e^{\frac{-V_{DD}}{v_{T}}} \right] \approx I_{ds0}e^{\frac{-V_{I}}{v_{T}}} \\ I_{2} &= I_{ds0}e^{\frac{-V_{I}}{v_{T}}} \left[ 1 - e^{\frac{-1}{v_{T}}} \right] = I_{ds0}e^{\frac{-V_{I-2}}{v_{T}}} \left[ 1 - e^{\frac{-V_{DD+1}}{v_{T}}} \right] \\ I_{2} &\approx I_{1} \left[ 1 - e^{\frac{-1}{v_{T}}} \right] = I_{1}e^{\frac{-1}{v_{T}}} \\ 1 - e^{\frac{-1}{v_{T}}} &= e^{\frac{-1}{v_{T}}} \Rightarrow e^{\frac{-1}{v_{T}}} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow I_{2} / I_{1} = 1/2 \end{split}$$

(b) Increasing  $\eta$  increases  $I_1$  because the threshold is effectively reduced. The

PROBLEMS 4 SOLUTIONS

STATIC

$$P_{OH} = (2V)(\frac{1.8V}{20K}) = 180 \mu W$$

$$P_{STATIC} = P_{(v_0=1)} P_{OH} + P_{(v_0=0)} P_{OL}$$

$$= (0.3)(180 \mu w) = 54 \mu w$$

$$P_{1\rightarrow 0} = P_{v=1}, P_{v=0} = (0.3)(0.7) = 0.21$$

TCLZ=5ff  $P_{\gamma(1-)0} = (0.5)(0.5) = 0.25$ Px=1= PA=0 PR=0 = (0.6) (0.8) = 0.48 Px=0 = 1-Px=1 = 0.52  $P_{\times(1\to0)} = P_{\times=1} P_{\times=0} = (0.48)(0.52) = 0.2496$ PZ=0 = Px=, Py=, =(0.48)(0.5)=0.24  $P_{z=1} = 1 - P_{z=0} = 0.76$  $P_{2(1-)0} = (0.76)(0.24) = 0.1824$ PAYN = Px(120) & CL, VDD + Py(120) & CL2 VDD + PZ(170) + CL3 VOD2  $= (1eq)(2^2)[(0.2496)(5+)+(0.25)(5+)+(0.1824)(20+)]$ = 24.6 MW