

SOLUTIONS

$$1.1 \quad F = \overline{A \cdot C + B \cdot (D + E)}$$

1.2 Worst case combinations for  $V_{OL}$ : AC, BD, BE

1.3 Assume  $V_{OL} \approx 0.05V_{DD} = 0.25V$

For NMOS load:

$$V_{T,n} = V_{T0,n} + \gamma \left( \sqrt{|-2\phi_F + V_{SB}|} - \sqrt{|2\phi_F|} \right) = 1.0V + 0.4V^{1/2} \left( \sqrt{|0.6V + 0.25V|} - \sqrt{|0.6V|} \right) \\ = 1.06V \approx 1V$$

$$V_{GS} = 7V - 0.25V > V_{Tn} = 1.06V \quad V_{DS} = 5V - 0.25V < V_{GS} - V_{T,n} \quad \text{linear}$$

$$I_{D,load} = \frac{\mu_n C_{ox}}{2} \left( \frac{5}{5} \right) \left[ 2(7 - V_{out} - 1)(5 - V_{out}) - (5 - V_{out})^2 \right] \\ = \frac{\mu_n C_{ox}}{2} \left[ 35 - 12V_{out} + V_{out}^2 \right]$$

For NMOS pulldown, linear since  $V_{DS} = 0.25V$  (assumed) and  $V_{GS} = 5V$

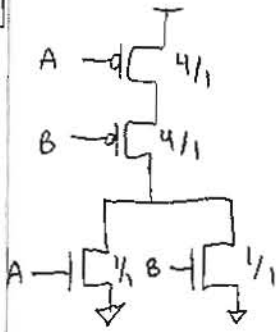
$$I_{D,pulldown} = \frac{\mu_n C_{ox}}{2} \left( \frac{100}{5} \right) \frac{1}{2} \left[ 2(5 - 1)V_{out} - V_{out}^2 \right] = I_{D,load}$$

$$\frac{\mu_n C_{ox}}{2} \left[ 35 - 12V_{out} + V_{out}^2 \right] = \frac{\mu_n C_{ox}}{2} \left[ 80V_{out} - 10V_{out}^2 \right]$$

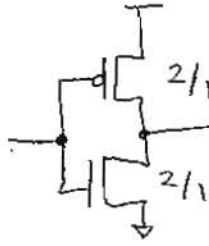
$$9V_{out}^2 - 92V_{out} + 35 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{V_{out} = 0.395V = V_{OL}}$$

1.4 No, since pullup and pulldown are both NMOS,  $k_n$  cancels out when currents are equated.

2.1



Equivalent Inverter (all inputs switching)



$$K_p = \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_p \mu_p C_{ox} = 2 \cdot 20 = 40 \mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2$$

$$K_n = \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_n \mu_n C_{ox} = 2 \cdot 40 = 80 \mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2$$

$$K_R = \frac{K_n}{K_p} = \frac{80}{40} = 2$$

$$V_{OH} = V_{DD} = 5\text{V}$$

$$V_{OL} = 0\text{V}$$

$$V_{IL} = \frac{2V_{out} - V_{T0,p} - V_{DD} + K_R V_{T0,n}}{1 + K_R} \Rightarrow V_{IL} = \frac{2V_{out} + 0.7 - 5 + 1.4}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{out} = 1.5V_{IL} + 0.97 \quad (A)$$

$$\frac{K_n}{2} (V_{IL} - V_{T0,n})^2 = \frac{K_p}{2} [2(V_{IL} - V_{DD} - V_{T0,p})(V_{out} - V_{DD}) - (V_{out} - V_{DD})^2]$$

$$40 (V_{IL} - 0.7)^2 = 20 [2(V_{IL} - 5 + 0.7)(V_{out} - 5) - (V_{out} - 5)^2]$$

$$\text{Plug in (A) for } V_{out} \Rightarrow 1.25V_{IL}^2 + 6.07V_{IL} - 17.43 = 0$$

$$V_{IL} = 2.02\text{V}$$

$$V_{IH} = \frac{V_{DD} + V_{T0,p} + K_R (2V_{out} + V_{T0,n})}{1 + K_R}$$

$$\frac{K_n}{2} [2(V_{IH} - V_{T0,n})(V_{out}) - V_{out}^2] = \frac{K_p}{2} (V_{IH} - V_{DD} - V_{T0,p})^2$$

$$V_{IH} = \frac{5 - 0.7 + 2(2V_{out} + 0.7)}{3} \Rightarrow 3V_{IH} = 5.7 + 4V_{out} \Rightarrow V_{out} = 0.75V_{IH} - 1.425 \quad (B)$$

$$40 [2(V_{IH} - 0.7)V_{out} - V_{out}^2] = 20 (V_{IH} - 5 + 0.7)^2$$

$$\text{Plug in (B) for } V_{out} \Rightarrow 0.88V_{IH}^2 + 5.08V_{IH} - 18.56 = 0$$

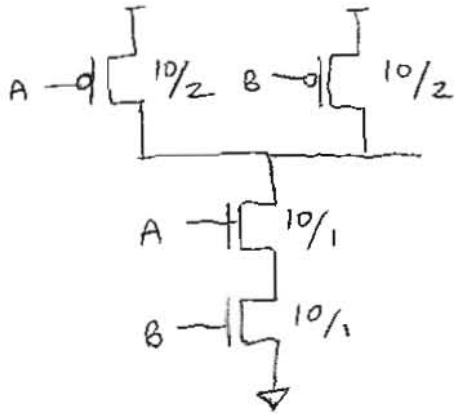
$$V_{IH} = 2.53\text{V}$$

2.1 (cont.)

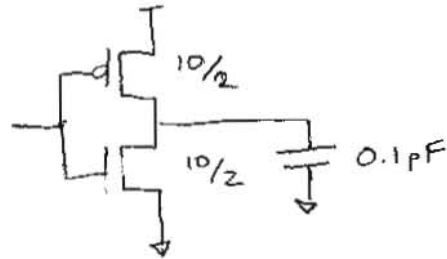
$$NM_L = V_{IL} - V_{OL} = 2.02V$$

$$NM_H = V_{OH} - V_{IH} = 2.47V$$

3.1



Equivalent inverter (worst case delays)



$$k_n = k_n' \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_n = 20 \mu A/V^2 \left(\frac{10}{2}\right) = 100 \mu A/V^2$$

$$k_p = k_p' \left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_p = 10 \mu A/V^2 \left(\frac{10}{2}\right) = 50 \mu A/V^2$$

Can use several methods. Here, use formulas from lecture:

$$t_{pHL} = \frac{C_{load}}{k_n (V_{DD} - V_{T,n})} \left[ \frac{2V_{T,n}}{V_{DD} - V_{T,n}} + \ln \left( \frac{4(V_{DD} - V_{T,n})}{V_{DD}} - 1 \right) \right]$$

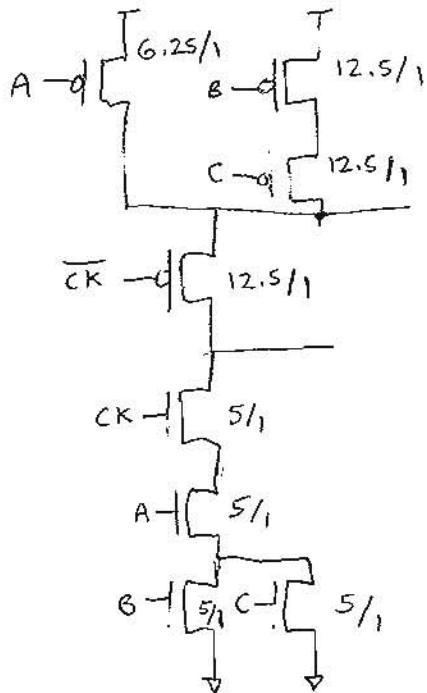
$$t_{pLH} = \frac{C_{load}}{k_p (V_{DD} - |V_{T,p}|)} \left[ \frac{2|V_{T,p}|}{V_{DD} - |V_{T,p}|} + \ln \left( \frac{4(V_{DD} - |V_{T,p}|)}{V_{DD}} - 1 \right) \right]$$

$$t_{pHL} = \frac{0.1 \times 10^{-12}}{100 \times 10^{-6} (4)} \left[ \underbrace{\frac{2}{4} + \ln \left( \frac{4 \cdot 4}{5} - 1 \right)}_{2.7} \right] = \boxed{0.675 \text{ ns}}$$

$$t_{pLH} = 2t_{pHL} = \boxed{1.35 \text{ ns}}$$

4.1

$$F = A(B+C)$$



For  $t_{fall} = t_{rise}$ ,  $\mu_n W_n = \mu_p W_p$

$$\Rightarrow W_p = \frac{\mu_n}{\mu_p} W_n = 2.5 W_n$$

Other solutions possible ...