

MODELLING OF VLSI DEVICE
(VLSI 5142)

Time Allotted : 3 hrs

Full Marks : 70

Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to answer Group A and any 5 (five) from Group B to E, taking at least one from each group.

Candidates are required to give answer in their own words as far as practicable.

Group - A
(Multiple Choice Type Questions)

1. Choose the correct alternative for the following: **10 × 1 = 10**
- (i) The Fermi level throughout of a PN junction in thermal equilibrium is
 - (a) constant
 - (b) different
 - (c) broadened
 - (d) narrowed.
 - (ii) The contact potential of a PN-junction depends on
 - (a) Intrinsic carrier concentration
 - (b) doping concentration
 - (c) absolute temperature
 - (d) all of the above.
 - (iii) With an increase in the drain bias the pinch-off point of a MOSFET shifts towards the
 - (a) source
 - (b) drain
 - (c) gate
 - (d) substrate.
 - (iv) The dominant current component in a MOSFET under strong inversion is
 - (a) drift
 - (b) diffusion
 - (c) leakage current
 - (d) drift and diffusion both.
 - (v) The effective channel length of a MOSFET in saturation decreases with increase in the
 - (a) Gate voltage
 - (b) drain voltage
 - (c) source voltage
 - (d) substrate voltage.

- (vi) The minimum value of the body-effect coefficient of a MOSFET is
(a) zero (b) unity (c) ten (d) 100.
- (vii) The MOSFET in its linear region of operation behaves like a
(a) resistor (b) capacitor
(c) inductor (d) diode.
- (viii) Presence of substrate bias causes the threshold voltage of an NMOS to
(a) increase (b) decrease
(c) remain unaltered (d) go to zero.
- (ix) HiSIM model is an example of
(a) SP model (b) CB model
(c) V_{th} model (d) none of the above.
- (x) The collector voltage at which the linearly extrapolated collector current of a BJT reaches zero is known as the
(a) early voltage (b) threshold voltage
(c) cut-off voltage (d) cut-in voltage

Group - B

2. (a) What are the capacitances associated with a PN-junction? Explain their origin.
- (b) Explain the mechanism of drift of carriers in a semiconductor. Hence obtain an expression for the conductivity of a semiconductor sample due to drift of both electrons and holes.

6 + 6 = 12

3. (a) Derive the necessary relation to prove that the Fermi level difference is the driving force for the flow of current in a semiconductor.
- (b) Mention the ways in which carriers move in a PN-junction. Write down the current-voltage relation of a PN-junction diode.

6 + (4 + 2) = 12

Group - C

4. (a) Draw the band diagram of an n-MOSFET under inversion. Why is the channel called 'inverted'?
- (b) Derive the expression of the threshold voltage of an NMOS considering its surfaces to be real.

4 + 8 = 12

5. (a) Justify the nature of variation of the MOSFET capacitance with the applied gate voltage. Give suitable diagram.
- (b) How does the substrate bias affect the threshold voltage of a MOSFET?
(5 + 3) + 4 = 12

Group - D

6. (a) Show the effect of full scaling on the following MOSFET parameters: intrinsic delay, power dissipation, power dissipation density and the packing density.
- (b) Write a short note on ITRS specifications.
8 + 4 = 12
7. (a) Explain the dependence of threshold voltage on the length of a MOSFET. How can the threshold voltage roll-off in short channel MOSFETs be taken care of?
- (b) How are 'hot' electrons created in short channel devices? Discuss the vertical and lateral hot electron effects.
(4+2) + (2+4) = 12

Group - E

8. (a) What is a compact model? Justify the need for the development of compact MOSFET models.
- (b) Discuss the Level 1 MOSFET model and its accuracy.
(3+4) + 5 = 12
9. (a) Explain the charge sharing model in a MOSFET.
- (b) Mention the important assumptions and the region of its validity of the GCA model of a MOSFET.
8 + 4 = 12

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