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**M.Tech. Degree Examination, June/July 2013**  
**Advances in VLSI Design**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions.

- 1 a. What are MOS devices? Explain saturation, linear and cut-off regions using drain current equations for MOS devices. (10 Marks)
- b. Compare CMOS and BiCMOS technologies. (06 Marks)
- c. Discuss CMOS device aspect ratio. (04 Marks)
- 2 a. With neat diagram, explain how MESFET reaches pinch-off and saturation. (10 Marks)
- b. Derive a drain current ( $I_D$ ) of JFET extended to MESFET using its quantitative description. (10 Marks)
- 3 a. Explain MIS system in equilibrium. (06 Marks)
- b. Calculate the threshold voltage for realistic n-channel MIS system device, given the following:  $N_a = 10^{17} \text{cm}^{-3}$ ,  $Q_i = 10^{11} \text{q/cm}^2$ ,  $d = 20 \text{nm}$ ,  $\psi_{ms} = -0.95 \text{V}$ . (08 Marks)
- c. Explain small signal model operation of MOSFET. (06 Marks)
- 4 a. Using mobility, transit time and drain current explain short channel effect. (12 Marks)
- b. What is proximity effect? Explain processing challenges for CMOS miniaturization. (08 Marks)
- 5 a. Explain carbon nanotubes. (08 Marks)
- b. Discuss molecular diode under forward bias and reverse bias. (08 Marks)
- c. Write note on direct tolerant computing. (04 Marks)
- 6 a. With the help of long polysilicon line, derive an expression for propagation delay. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain designing of pass transistor logic for NMOS, PMOS and CMOS. (10 Marks)
- 7 a. Realize 4-bit tree network using tally circuit and write its stick diagram. (10 Marks)
- b. Realize the static AOI gates in NMOS and CMOS technology for the following:  
 $Y = \overline{(AB + CD)}$ . (06 Marks)
- c. Explain chip architecture. (04 Marks)
- 8 Explain the following:
  - a. Regularity and modularity.
  - b. Programmable structure.
  - c. CMOS design method.
  - d. Full custom design. (20 Marks)

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Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.  
 2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg. 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.