

A Study on Power Distribution in VLSI Technique

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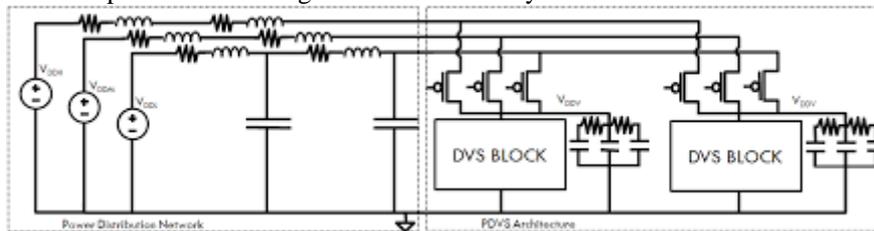
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ABSTRACT

Low power has emerged as a principal theme in today's world of natural philosophy industries. Power dissipation has become a crucial thought as performance and space for VLSI Chip style. With shrinking technology reducing power consumption and over all power management on chip square measure the key challenges below 100nm attributable to magnified complexity. for several styles, optimisation of power is vital as temporal arrangement attributable to the requirement to cut back package price and extended battery life. For power management run current conjointly plays a crucial role in low power VLSI styles. run current is turning into AN more and more necessary fraction of the entire power dissipation of integrated circuits. This paper describes concerning the varied methods, methodologies and power management techniques for low power circuits and systems. Future challenges that has to be met to styles low power high performance circuits also are mentioned.

1. INTRODUCTION

The advantage of utilizing a mixture of low-power elements in conjunction with low-power style techniques is a lot of valuable currently than ever before. necessities for lower power consumption still increase considerably as elements become powered, smaller and need a lot of practicality. within the past the main considerations for the VLSI designers was space, performance and price. Power thought was the secondary involved.



Currently a day's power is that the primary involved attributable to the outstanding growth and success within the field of non-public computing devices and wireless communication system that demand high speed computation and complicated practicality with low power consumption. The motivations for reducing power consumption dissent application to application. within the category of micro-powered battery operated transportable applications like cell phones, the goal is to stay the battery time period and weight affordable and packaging price low.

For prime performance transportable computers like portable computer the goal is to cut back the facility dissipation of the natural philosophy portion of the system to a degree that is concerning 1/2 the entire power dissipation. Finally for the high performance non battery operated system like workstations the goal of power step-down is to cut back the system price whereas making certain future device responsibility. For such high performance systems, method technology has driven power to the fore front to any or all factors in such styles. At method nodes below one hundred nm technology, power consumption attributable to run has joined change activity as a primary power management concern. There square measure several techniques [15] that are developed over the past decade to deal with the incessantly aggressive power reduction necessities of most of the high performance. the fundamental techniques for low power style such as: clock gating for reducing dynamic power, multiple threshold voltage (multi-Vt) to decrease run current, square measure well-established and supported by existing tools [17].

2. LOW POWER METHODS

Effective power management is feasible by mistreatment the various International Journal of Electrical natural philosophy & technology Engineering strategies at varied levels in VLSI style method. thus designers want AN intelligent approach for optimizing power consumptions in styles.



3. POWER DISSIPATION BASICS

In circuit 3 elements square measure chargeable for power dissipation: dynamic power, short-circuit power and static power. Supply Voltage, that has been dropping with ordered method nodes, α : Activity issue, which means however typically, on average, the wires switch, f : Clock Frequency, that is increasing at every ordered method node. Static power or run power could be a operate of the provision voltage (V_{dd}), the change threshold (V_t), and junction transistor sizes (Figure2). As method nodes shrink, run becomes a a lot of important supply of energy use, overwhelming a minimum of half-hour of total power [2]. pry currents, caused once each the PMOS and NMOS devices square measure at the same time on, conjointly contribute to the run power dissipation [17]. Most circuit level step-down techniques focus solely on Sub threshold run reduction while not considering the consequences of gate run [15].

4. LOW POWER STYLE HOUSE

From the higher than section it's disclosed that there square measure 3 degrees of freedom within the VLSI style house : Voltage, Physical Capacitance and information activity. Optimizing for a lot of power entails an effort to cut back one or a lot of of those factors. This section shortly describes concerning their importance in power optimisation method.

4.1. Voltage

Because of its quadratic relationship to power , voltage reduction offers the foremost effective means that of minimizing power consumption. while not requiring any special circuits and technologies, an element of 2 reduction in provide voltage yields an element of 4 decreases in power consumption. sadly, there's speed penalty for provide voltage reduction and delays drastically increase as V_{dd} approaches to the edge voltage American state of the device. The approach to cut back the provision voltage while not loss in turnout is to switch the edge voltage of the devices. Reducing the American state permits the provision voltage to be scaled down while not loss in speed. The limit of however low low the American state will go is about by the requirement to line adequate noise margins and management the rise within the subthreshold run current [6,8,10].

4.2. Physical Capacitance

Dynamic power consumption depends linearly on the physical capacitance being switched. So, additionally to operational at low voltages, minimizing capacitances supply another technique for minimizing power consumption. The capacitances will be unbroken at a minimum by mistreatment less logic, smaller devices , fewer and shorter wires[6,8,10]. like voltage, however, we have a tendency to don't seem to be liberated to optimize capacitances severally, for instance reducing device sizes reduces physical capacitance, however it conjointly reduces this drive of the junction transistor creating the circuit operate a lot of slowly.

5. POWER STEP-DOWN TECHNIQUES

This section addresses (TABLE II) totally different{the various} approaches to reduce the facility at different levels:

5.1. Reducing Chip and package capacitance

This can be achieved through method development like SOI with partly or absolutely depleted wells, CMOS scaling to submicron device sizes and advanced interconnect substrates like multi chip module (MCM). This approach will be terribly effective however is additionally terribly dearly-won [15, 19].

5.2. Scaling the provision voltage (Voltage Scaling)

This approach will be terribly effective in reducing the facility dissipation, however typically needs new IC fabrication process [13].

5.3. mistreatment power management methods

Effective power management involves choice of the correct technology, the utilization of optimized libraries, science (intellectual property), and style methodology [1, 19]. Figure-3 shows the effective power management strategy.

5.3.1 The Role of Technology Selection: correct technology choice is one in all the key aspects of power management [1]. The goal of every technology advancement is to enhance performance, density, and power consumption. the everyday approach in developing a brand new generation of technology is to use constant-electric-field scaling. method designers scale each the applied voltage and therefore the chemical compound thickness to take care of an equivalent field [13,16]. This approach reduces power by concerning five hundredth with each new technology node but, because the voltage gets smaller, the edge voltage conjointly should scale all the way down to meet the performance targets of that technology. This scaling sadly will increase the sub threshold current and therefore the run power. to beat this constraint, method engineers now not apply constant-field scaling for processes of sixty five nm or smaller; instead, they used a a lot of generalized sort of scaling. As a result of it's not possible to optimize a technology for each performance and run quickly, every technology typically has 2 variants. One variant aims for prime performance, and therefore the alternative shoots for low run. the first variations between the 2 square measure within the chemical



compound thickness, provide voltage, and threshold voltage. The technology variant with the thicker gate chemical compound aims for low-leakage style and should support a better voltage to attain an inexpensive performance [9]. once choosing a technology to optimize the facility for a given style, have to be compelled to} take each aspects into consideration: the requirement to use a smaller pure mathematics to cut back active power and therefore the need to use a low-leakage variant to cut back run.

6. CONCLUSION

The need for lower power systems is being driven by several market segments. sadly planning for low power adds another dimension to the already advanced style downside and therefore the style needs to be optimized for power in addition as Performance and space. finally varied problems and major challenges relating to low power styles are:-

- 1 Technology Scaling: It relates with the subsequent factors like: Capacitance per node reduces by half-hour, Electrical nodes will increase by 2X, Die size grows by Bastille Day (Moore's Law), provide Voltage reduces by V-J Day and Frequency will increase by 2X. to satisfy these problems comparatively two.7 X active power can increase.
- 2 run power: to satisfy frequency demand American state are going to be scaled which ends high run power. a coffee voltage / low threshold technology gate style approach, targeting provide voltage around 1V and operational with reduced thresholds.
- 3 Dynamic power management techniques, varied provide voltage and swiftness per the activity measure.
- 4 Low power interconnect, mistreatment advance technology, reduced swing or activity approach.
- 5 Development of power aware techniques and tools for activity synthesis, logic synthesis and layout optimisation.
- 6 Power saving techniques that recycle the signal energies mistreatment the adiabatic change principals rather them dissipating them as a heat and promising in sure applications wherever speed will be trades for low power.

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