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APJ ABDUL KALAM TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY
EIGHTH SEMESTER B.TECH DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2019

Course Code: EC464
Course Name: LOW POWER VLSI DESIGN

Max. Marks: 100

Duration: 3 Hours

PART A

Answer any two full questions, each carries 15 marks.

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| 1 | a) What is threshold voltage of MOSFET? Write down the mathematical expression.
What is the effect of body voltage on threshold voltage? | (6) |
| | b) Draw the energy band diagrams of MIS structure at different bias conditions. | (9) |
| 2 | a) When MOSFET is considered as a short channel MOSFET? | (3) |
| | b) What is Hot electron effect? Explain with diagram. | (6) |
| | c) Derive an expression for short circuit power dissipation of a CMOS inverter. | (6) |
| 3 | a) Explain the transistor leakage mechanisms of deep submicron transistors. | (10) |
| | b) What is switching power dissipation and how it can be minimized? | (5) |

PART B

Answer any two full questions, each carries 15 marks.

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| 4 | a) What is Domino CMOS logic? What is its advantage? | (5) |
| | b) Implement the function $Z = AB(C + D)(E + F)GH$ using three units of Domino CMOS logic. | (10) |
| 5 | a) What are short channel effects? | (5) |
| | b) How to minimize short channel effects? | (10) |
| 6 | a) Explain the working of clocked CMOS circuits. | (5) |
| | b) What is charge sharing in clocked CMOS circuits? How it can be overcome? | (5) |
| | c) Implement the logic function $F = (PQ + RS + T)'$ using clocked CMOS logic. | (5) |

PART C

Answer any two full questions, each carries 20 marks.

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| 7 | a) Implement the function $F = (A'B + AB')$ using
1. Fully complementary logic
2. Pass transistor Logic
3. pseudo NMOS Logic | (16) |
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4. DCVS logic

- b) What are the advantages of DCVS logic over fully complementary logic? (4)
- 8 a) Draw and explain one stage adiabatic buffer. (7)
- b) Draw and explain the circuit of an adiabatic CMOS AND/NAND gate. (8)
- c) Briefly describe adiabatic switching. (5)
- 9 a) What is a pass transistor logic and complementary pass transistor logic? (10)
- What is the advantage of pass transistor logic?
- Why NMOS can pass only 'weak 1'?
- b) Implement $F = A+B$ and $F' = (A+B)'$ using pass transistor logic. (6)
- c) Explain the concept of pulsed power supplies (4)
