

# EE 330

## Lecture 39

### Digital Circuits

Sizing of Devices for Logic Circuits

Ratio Logic

Other MOS Logic Families

Propagation Delay – basic characterization

Device Sizing (Inverter and multiple-input gates)

# Exam Schedule

**Final**

**Wed May 11 7:30 a.m.**

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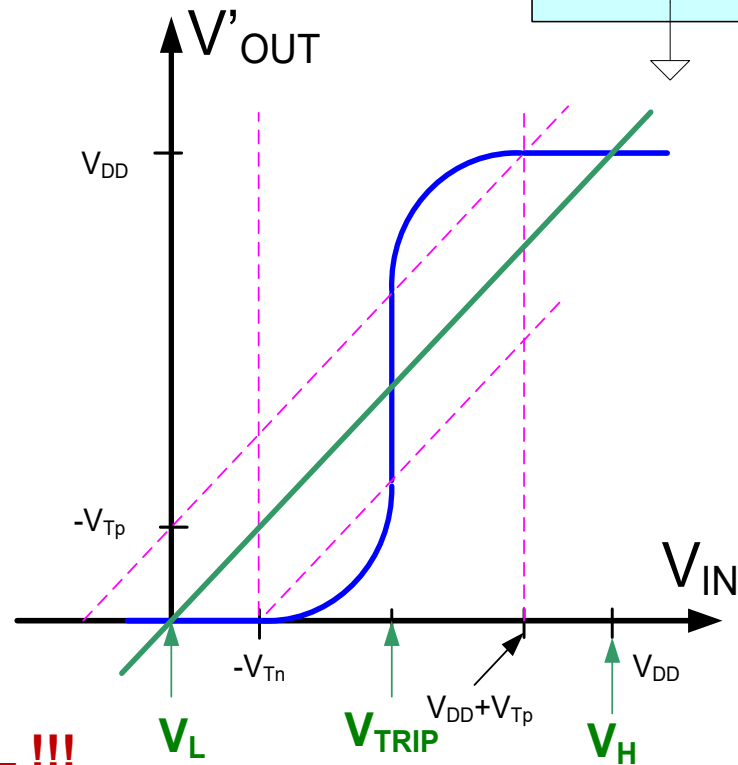
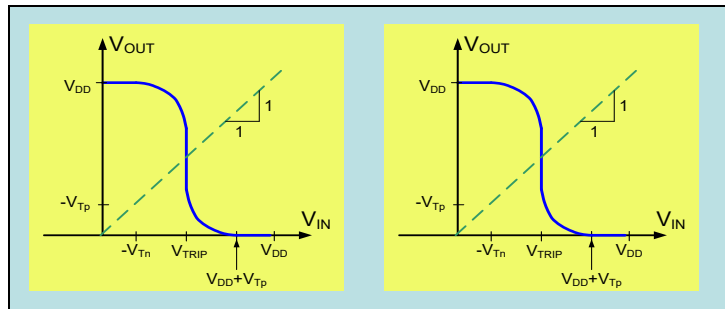
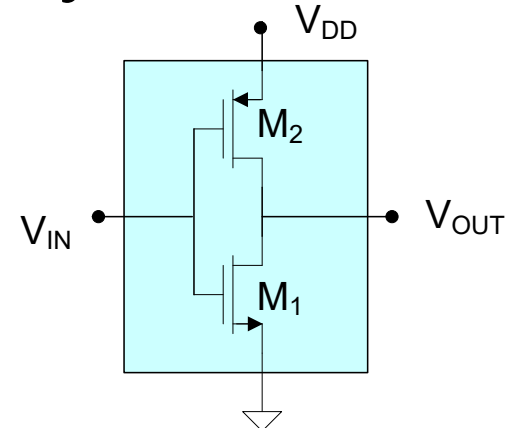
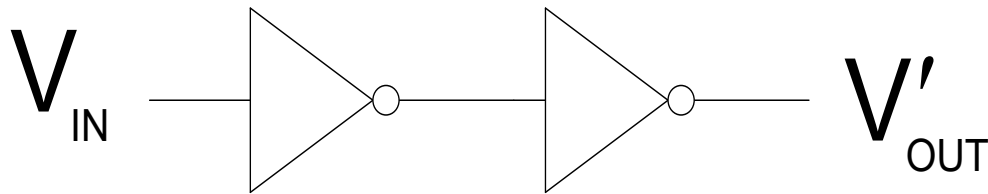


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Review from last lecture

# Inverter Transfer Characteristics of Inverter Pair for THIS Logic Family



$$V_H = V_{DD} \text{ and } V_L = 0$$

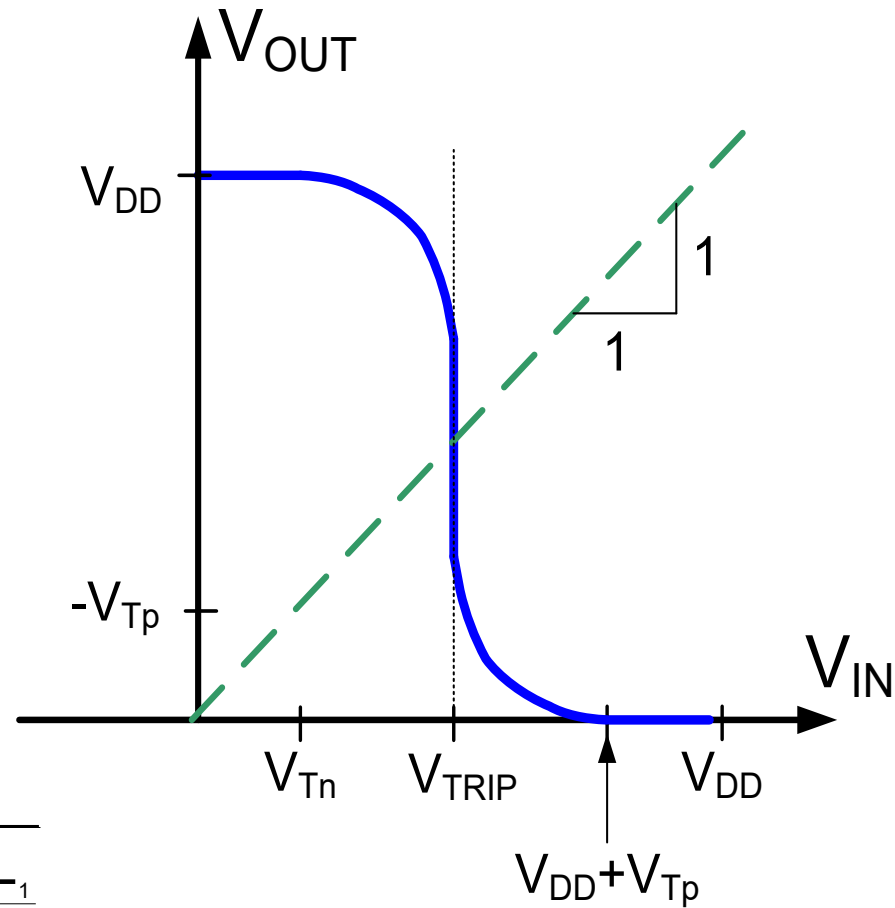
Note this is independent of device sizing for THIS logic family !!

Device sizing does not affect  $V_H$  and  $V_L$  !!!

Review from last lecture

# Transfer characteristics of the static CMOS inverter

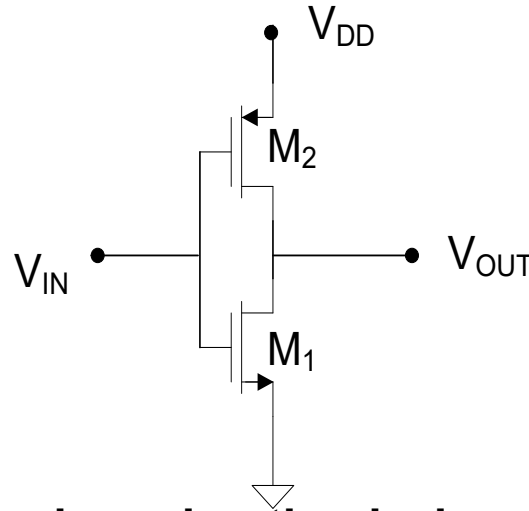
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From Case 3 analysis:

$$V_{IN} = \frac{(V_{Tn}) + (V_{DD} + V_{Tp}) \sqrt{\frac{\mu_p}{\mu_n} \frac{W_2}{W_1} \frac{L_1}{L_2}}}{1 + \sqrt{\frac{\mu_p}{\mu_n} \frac{W_2}{W_1} \frac{L_1}{L_2}}}$$

# Sizing of the Basic CMOS Inverter



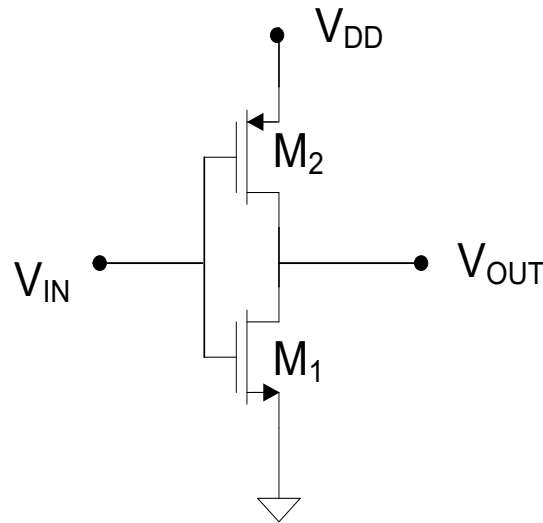
**Most logic families require using the device sizing variables to determine acceptable  $V_H$  and  $V_L$  values**

**The characteristic that device sizes do not need to be used to establish  $V_H$  and  $V_L$  logic levels is a major advantage of this type of logic !!**

**How should  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be sized?**

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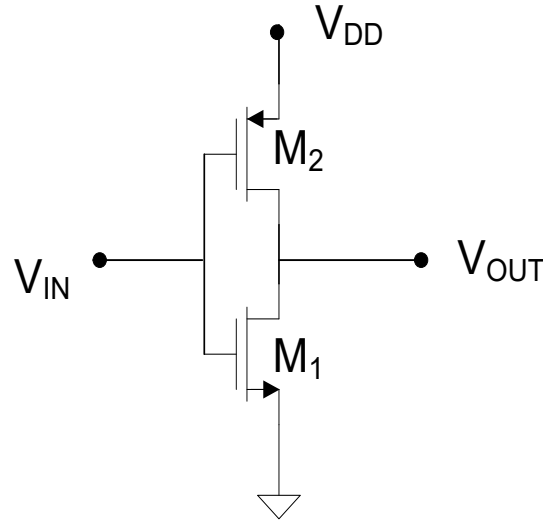
4 degrees of freedom

But in basic device model and in most performance metrics,  $W_1/L_1$  and  $W_2/L_2$  appear as ratios

$$\{ W_1/L_1, W_2/L_2 \}$$

effectively 2 degrees of freedom

# How should $M_1$ and $M_2$ be sized?



$\{ W_1, W_2, L_1, L_2 \}$

4 degrees of freedom

Usually pick  $L_1=L_2=L_{\min}$

That leaves

$\{ W_1, W_2 \}$

effectively 2 degrees of freedom

How are  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  chosen?

Depends upon what performance parameters are most important for a given application!



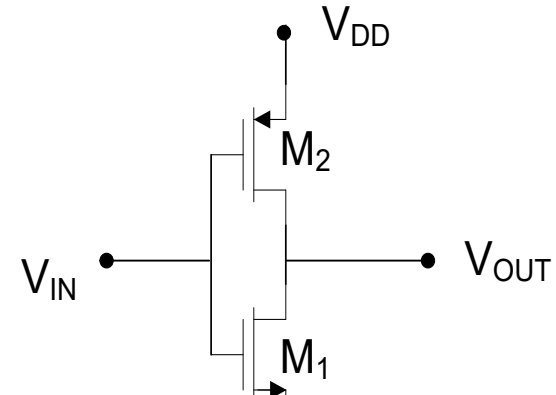
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One popular sizing strategy:

1. Pick  $W_1=W_{\min}$  to minimize area of  $M_1$
2. Pick  $W_2$  to set trip-point at  $V_{DD}/2$

Observe Case 3 provides expression for  $V_{\text{TRIP}}$

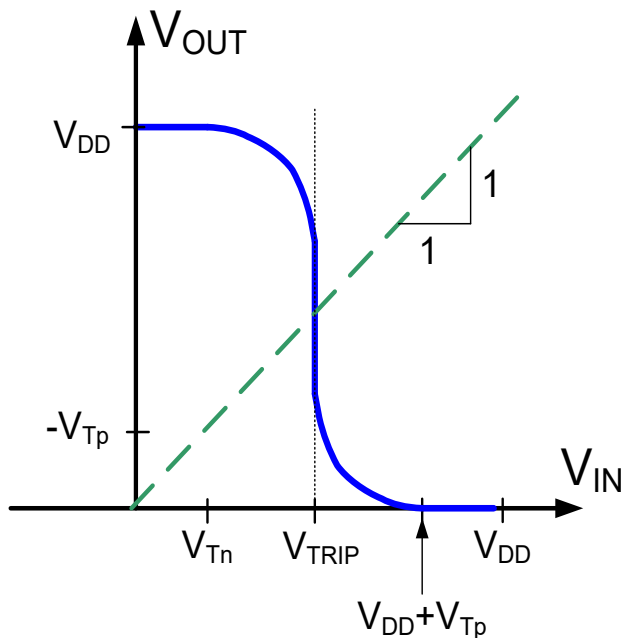


Thus, at the trip point,

$$V_{\text{OUT}} = V_{\text{IN}} = V_{\text{TRIP}} = \frac{(V_{\text{Tn}}) + (V_{\text{DD}} + V_{\text{Tp}}) \sqrt{\frac{\mu_p}{\mu_n} \frac{W_2}{W_1}}}{1 + \sqrt{\frac{\mu_p}{\mu_n} \frac{W_2}{W_1}}}$$

If  $V_{\text{Tn}} = -V_{\text{Tp}}$

$$\frac{V_{\text{DD}}}{2} = \frac{(V_{\text{Tn}}) + (V_{\text{DD}} - V_{\text{Tn}}) \sqrt{\frac{\mu_p}{\mu_n} \frac{W_2}{W_1}}}{1 + \sqrt{\frac{\mu_p}{\mu_n} \frac{W_2}{W_1}}}$$



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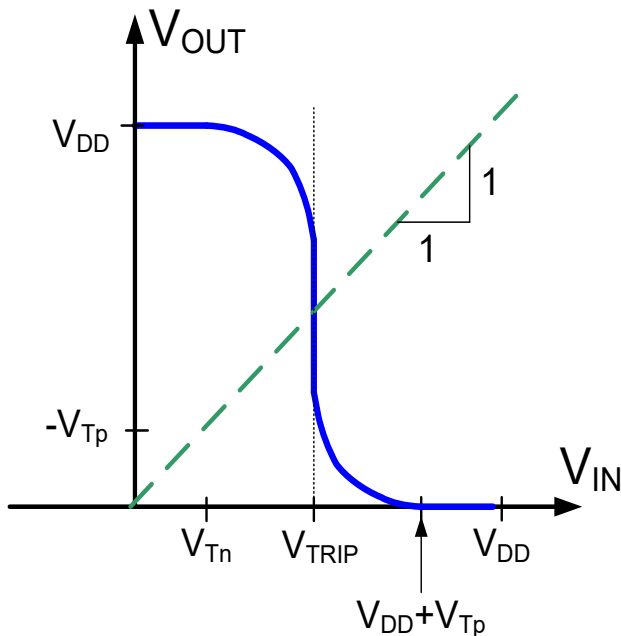
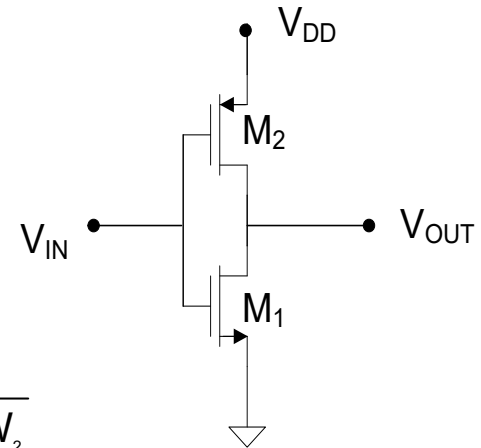
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(solution continued)



$$\frac{V_{DD}}{2} = \frac{(V_{Tn}) + (V_{DD} - V_{Tn}) \sqrt{\frac{\mu_p W_2}{\mu_n W_1}}}{1 + \sqrt{\frac{\mu_p W_2}{\mu_n W_1}}}$$

solving for  $\sqrt{\frac{\mu_p W_2}{\mu_n W_1}}$  we obtain

$$\sqrt{\frac{\mu_p W_2}{\mu_n W_1}} = \frac{V_{Tn} - \frac{V_{DD}}{2}}{-\frac{V_{DD}}{2} + V_{Tn}} = 1$$

thus

$$\frac{W_2}{W_1} = \frac{\mu_n}{\mu_p} \Rightarrow W_2 = \frac{\mu_n}{\mu_p} W_{\min} \approx 3W_{\min}$$

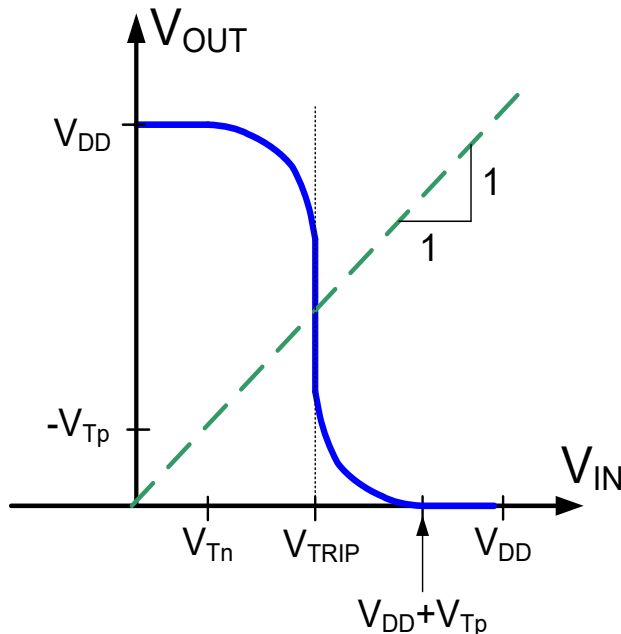
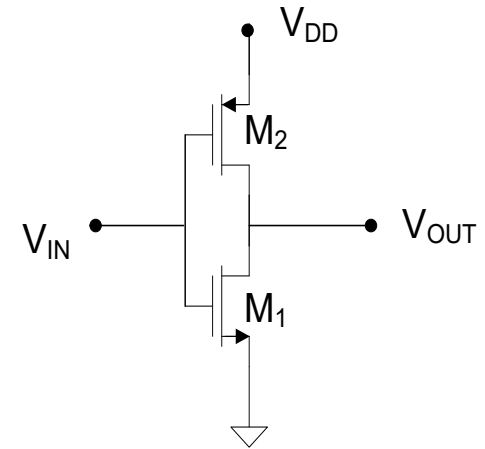
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Summary:  $V_{TRIP} = \frac{V_{DD}}{2}$  sizing strategy

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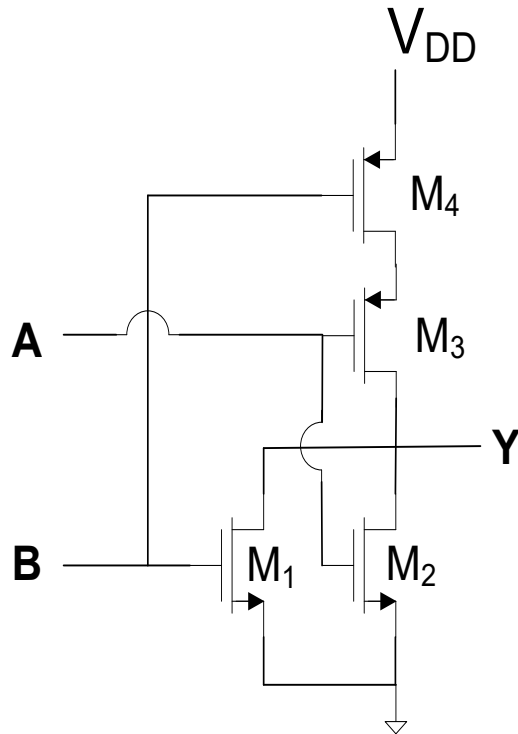
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(dependent upon assumption  $V_{Tp} = -V_{Tn}$ )

**Other sizing strategies will be discussed later !**

# Extension of Basic CMOS Inverter to Multiple-Input Gates



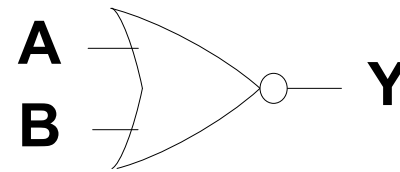
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*Truth Table*

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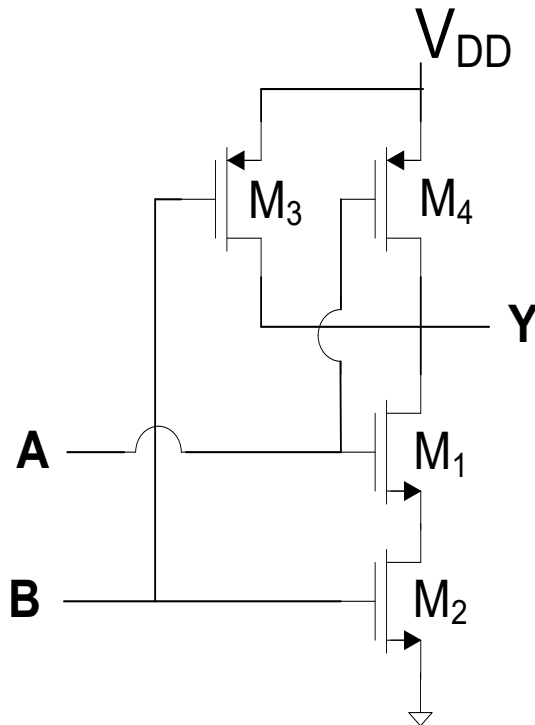
**Can be easily extended to an n-input NOR Gate**

**$V_H = V_{DD}$  and  $V_L = 0$  (inherited from inverter analysis)**



analysis not shown here but straightforward and consistent with claim that performance of gates in logic family determined by those of basic inverter

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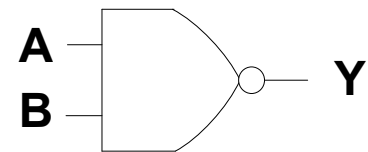
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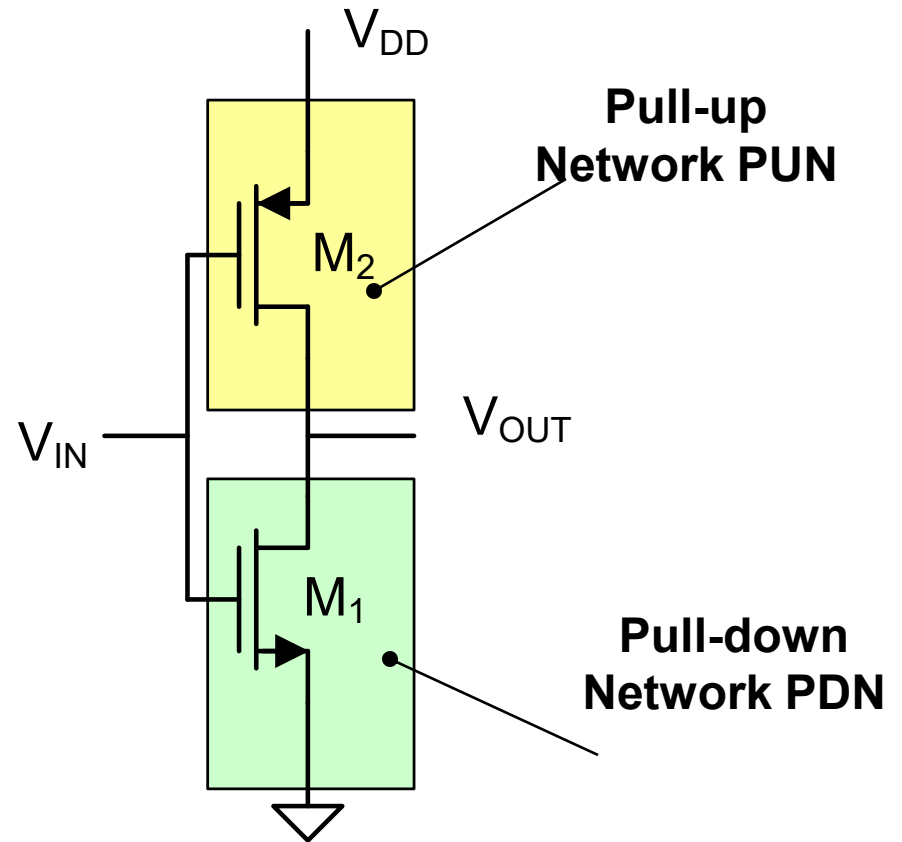
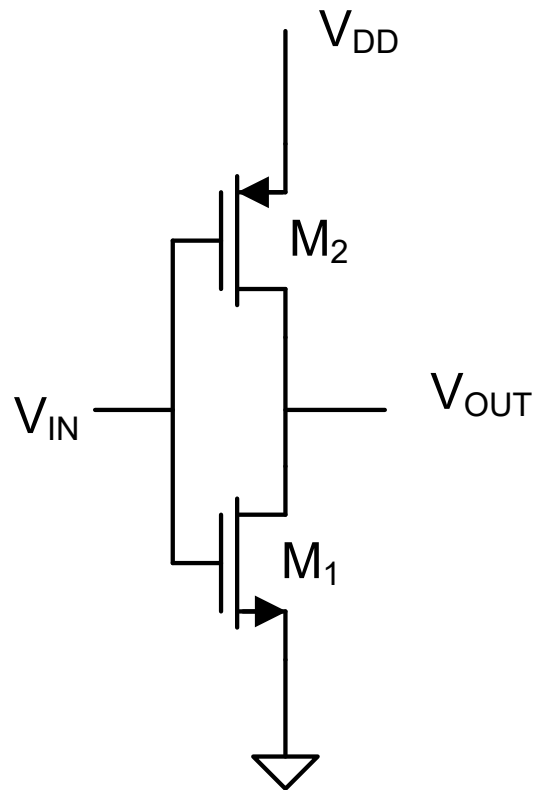
**Performs as a 2-input NAND Gate**

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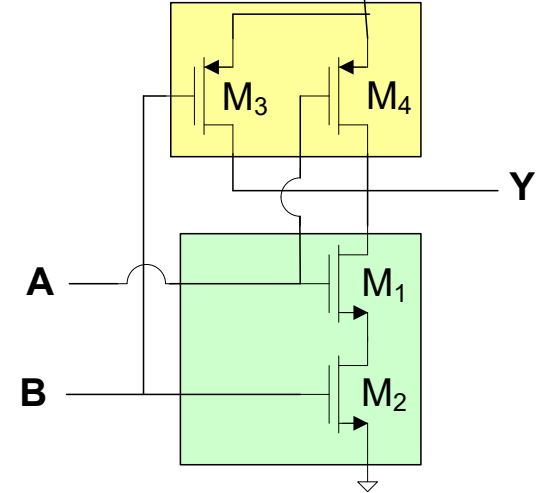
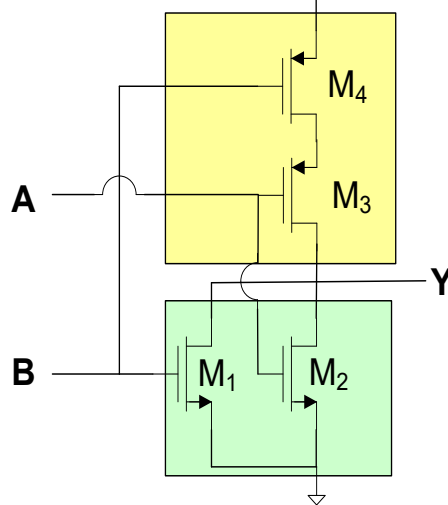
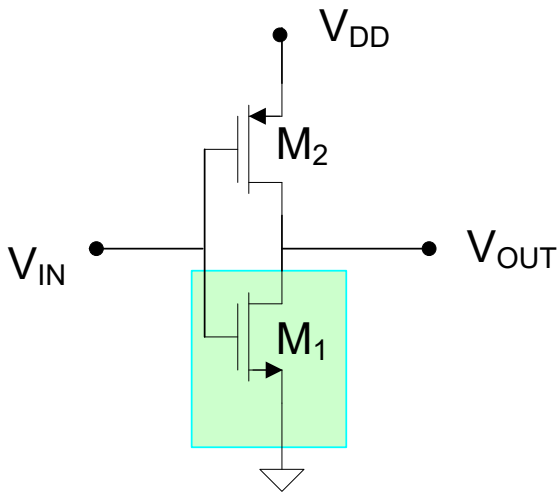
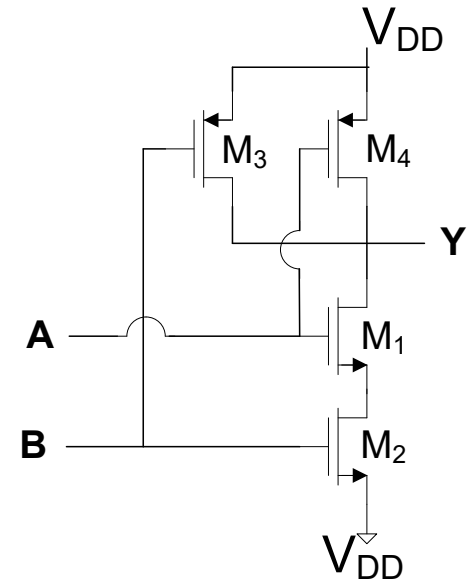
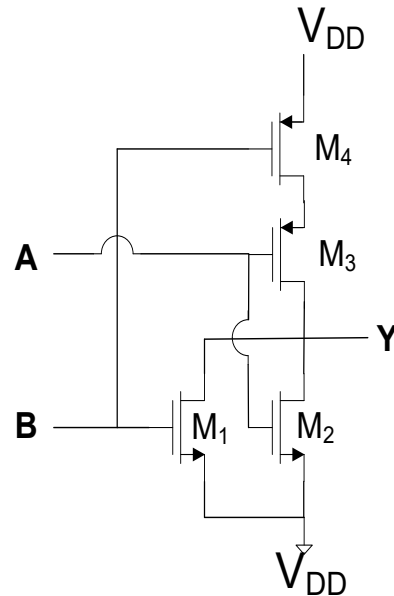
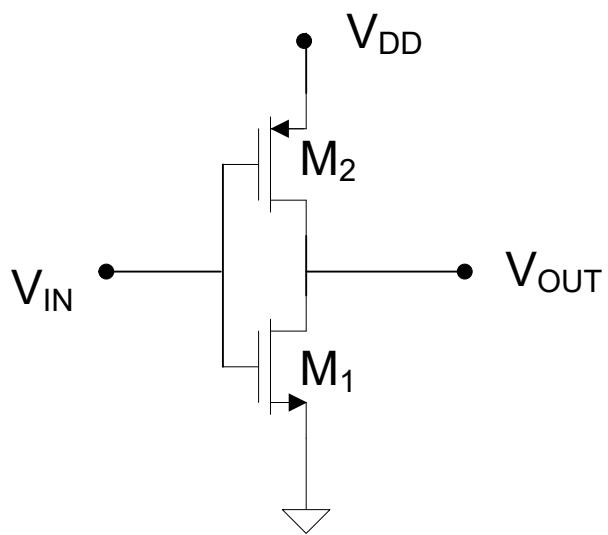
# Static CMOS Logic Family



Observe PUN is p-channel, PDN is n-channel

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# Static CMOS Logic Family



**n-channel PDN and p-channel PUN**

**$V_H = V_{DD}$ ,  $V_L = 0V$  (same as for inverter!)**

# Digital Circuit Design

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  - Characterization of CMOS Inverter
  - Static CMOS Logic Gates
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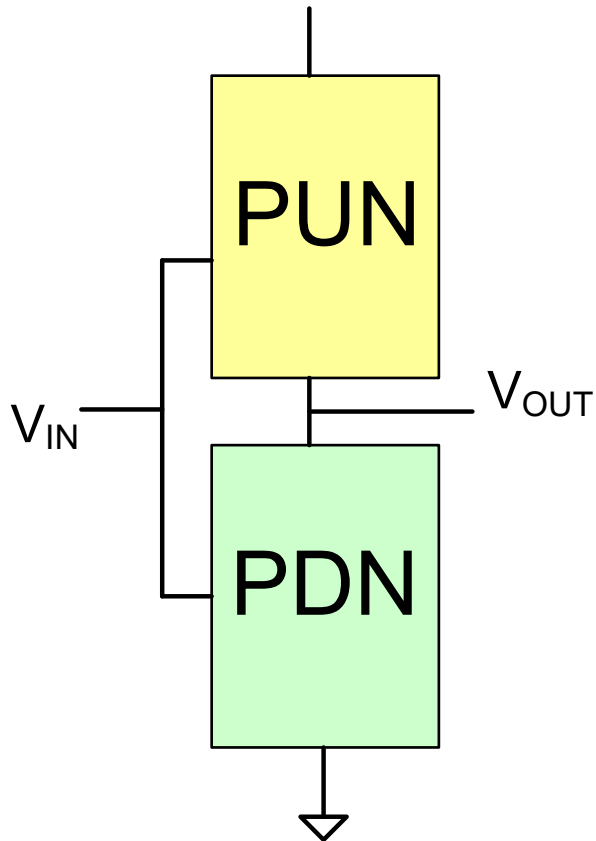
- Propagation Delay with Multiple Levels of Logic
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- Power Dissipation in Logic Circuits
- Other Logic Styles
- Array Logic
- Ring Oscillators

→ **done**

→ **partial**



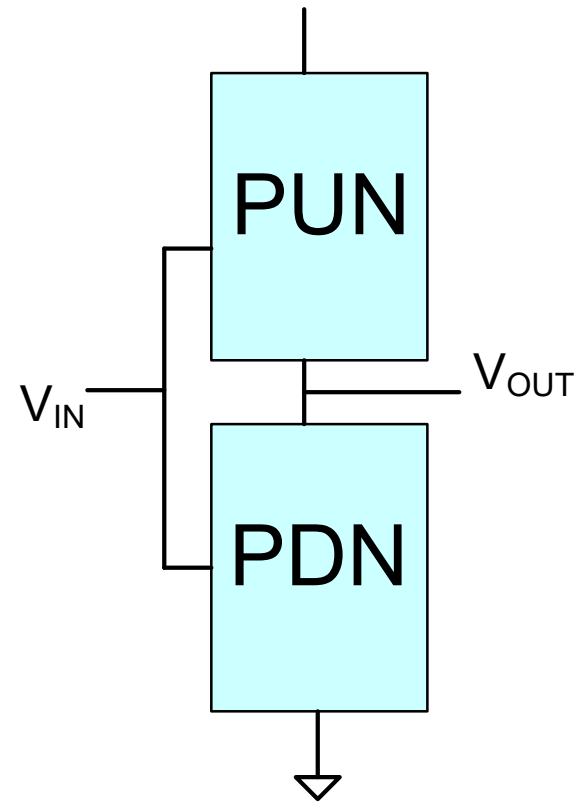
# General Logic Family



**Compound Gate in CMOS Process**

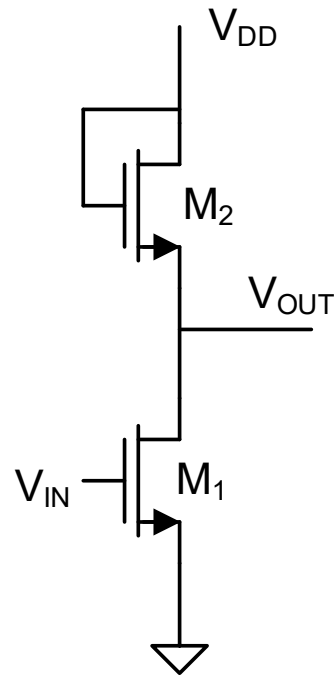
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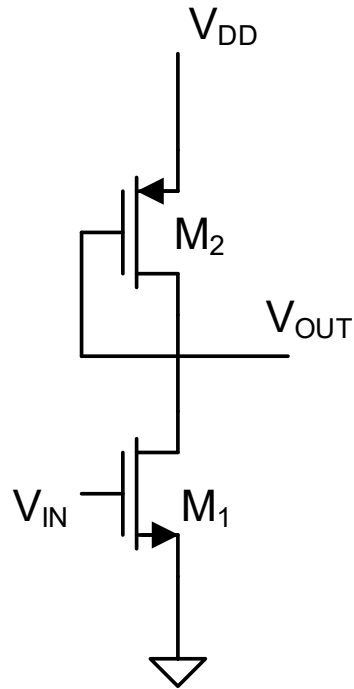


**Arbitrary PUN  
and PDN**

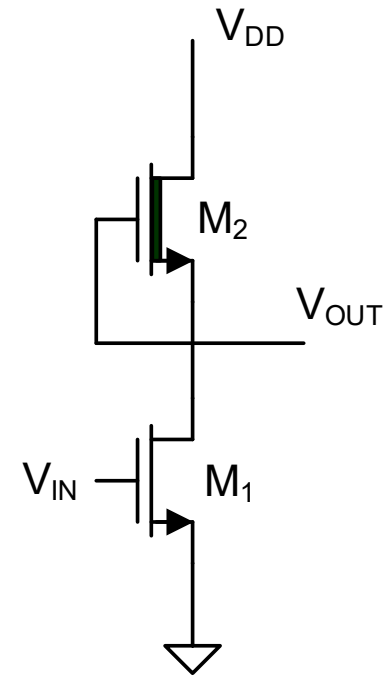
# Other MOS Logic Families



Enhancement Load  
NMOS

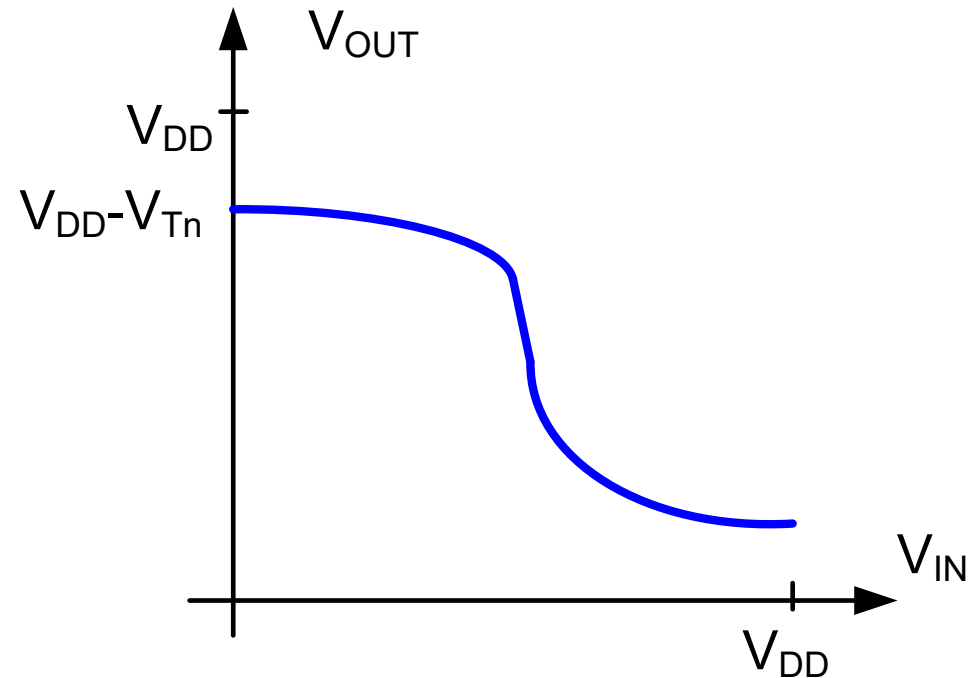
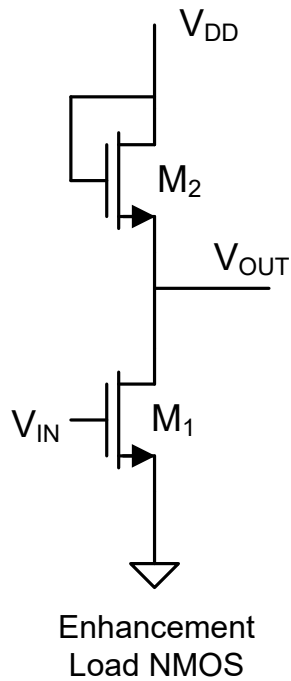


Enhancement Load  
Pseudo-NMOS

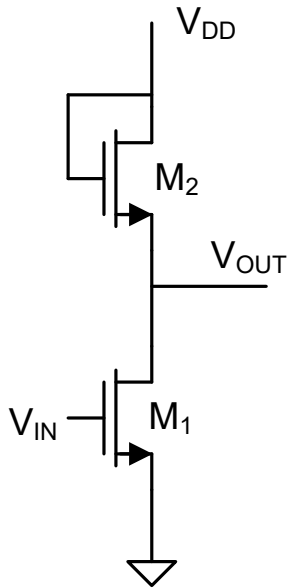


Depletion Load  
NMOS

# Other CMOS/MOS Logic Families



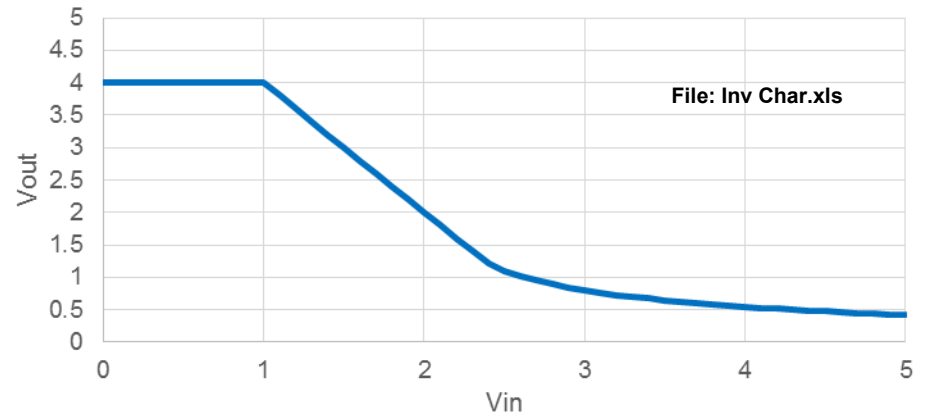
# NMOS example



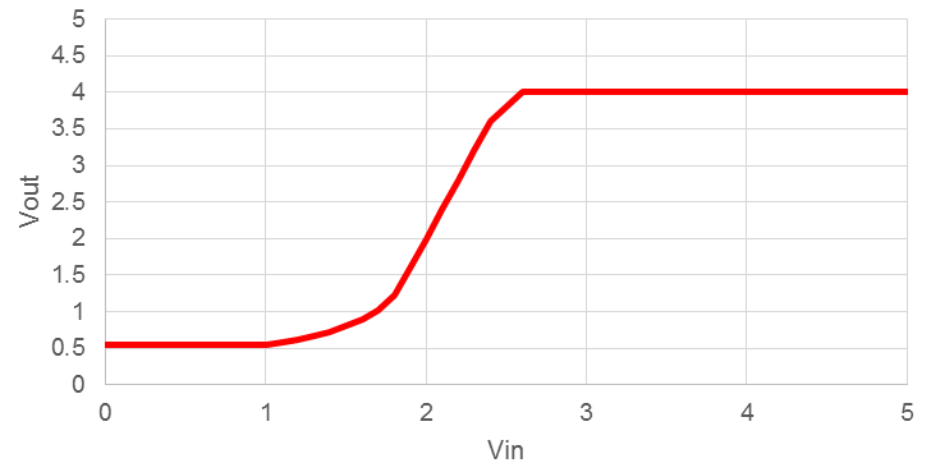
Enhancement  
Load NMOS

$V_{TH}$		1
$W_1/L_1$		4
$W_2/L_2$		1
$V_{DD}$		5

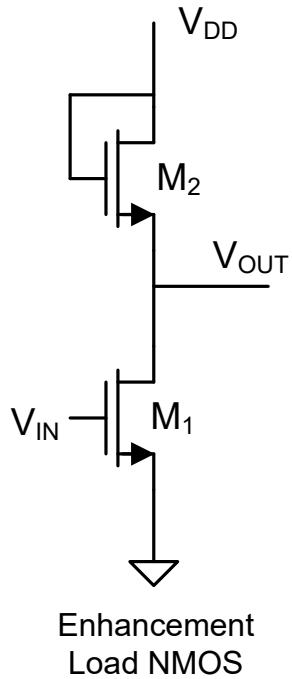
Inverter



Inverter Pair

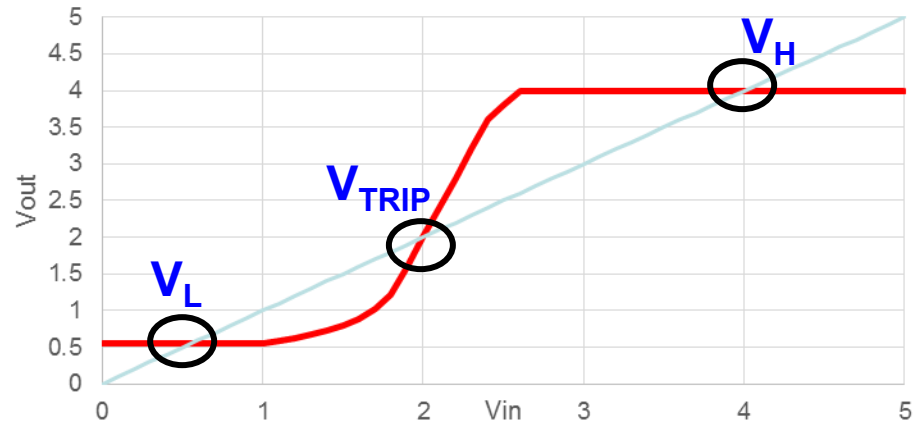


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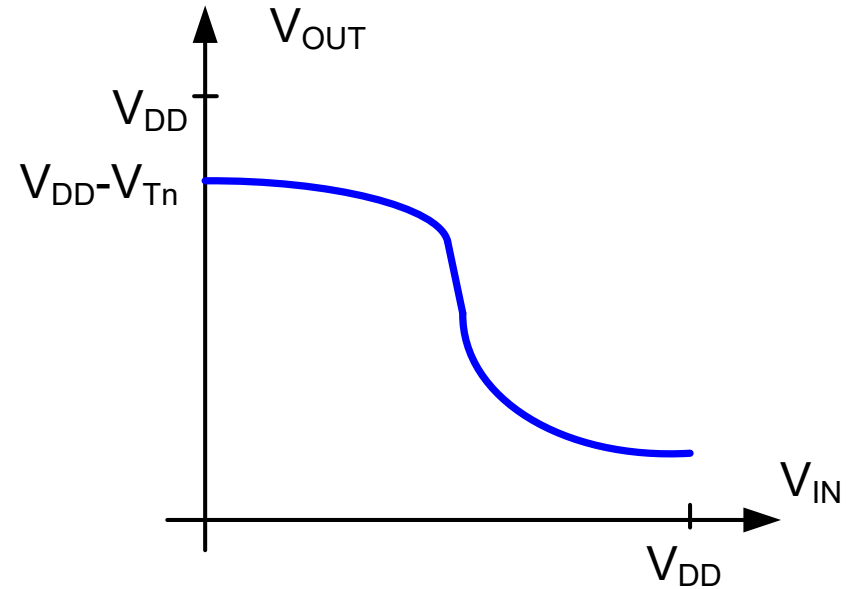
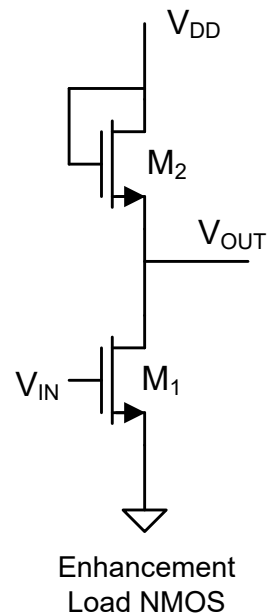







$$V_H = 4V$$

$$V_L = 0.55V$$

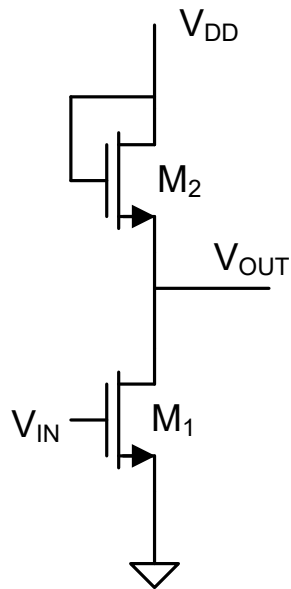
$$V_{TRIP} = 2V$$

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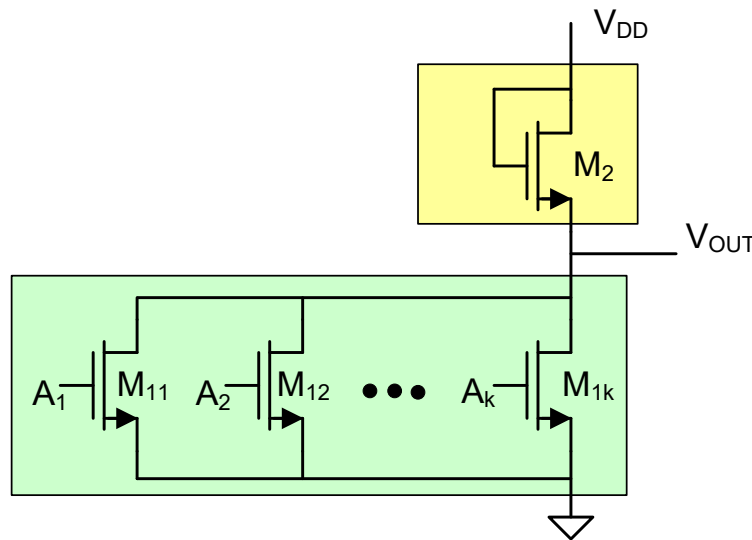


- High and low swings are reduced
- Response time is slow on LH output transitions
- Static Power Dissipation Large when  $V_{OUT}$  is low (will sl )
- Very economical process 
- Termed “ratio logic” (because logic values dependent on device W/L ratios – USE UP DOF!)
- May not work for some device sizes 
- Compact layout (no wells !)
- Can use very low cost process 
- Available to use in standard CMOS process 

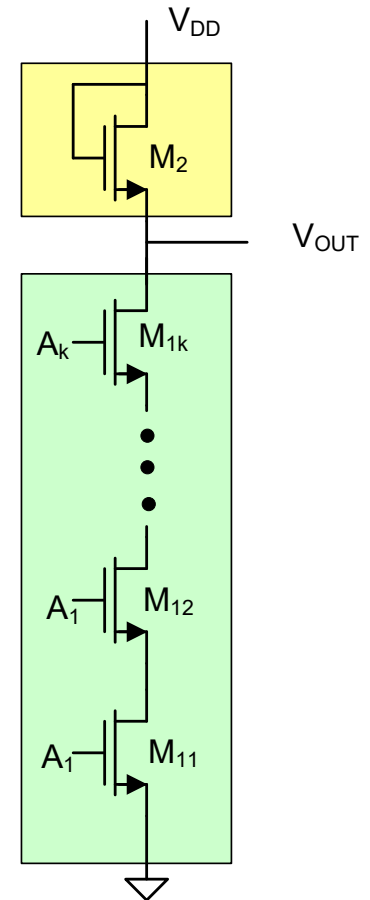
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Enhancement  
Load NMOS



**k-input NOR**



**k-input NAND**

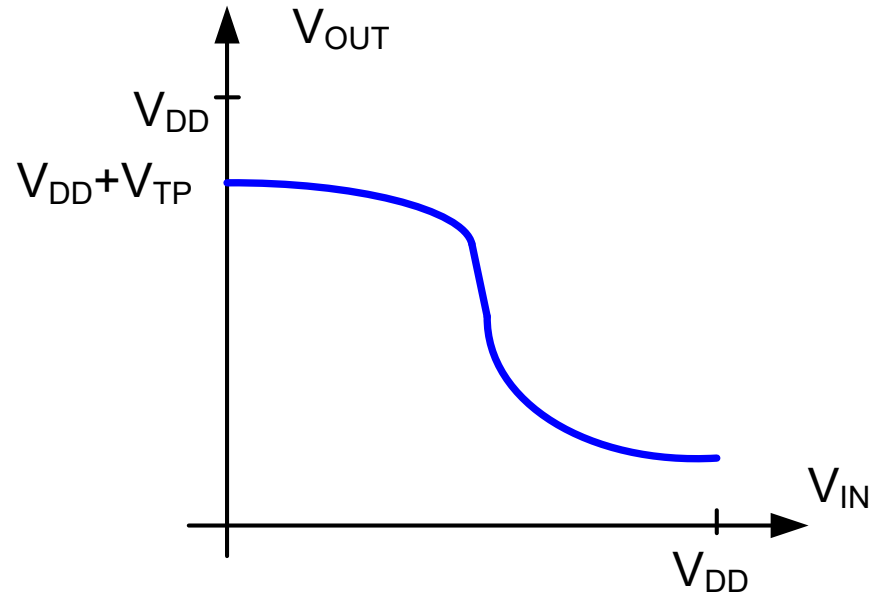
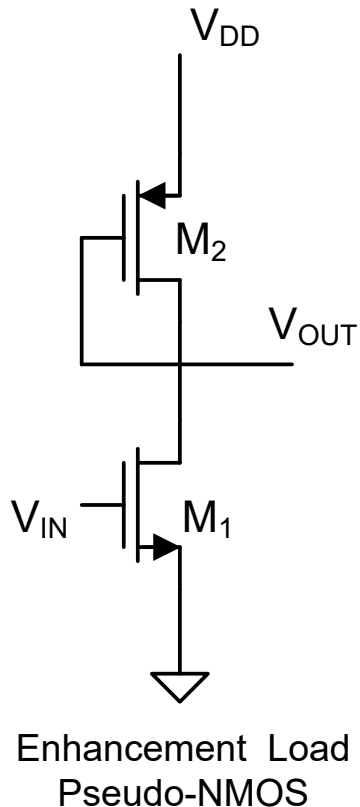
- **Multiple-input gates require single transistor for each additional input**



- **Still useful if many inputs are required**  
(will be shown that static power does not increase with k)



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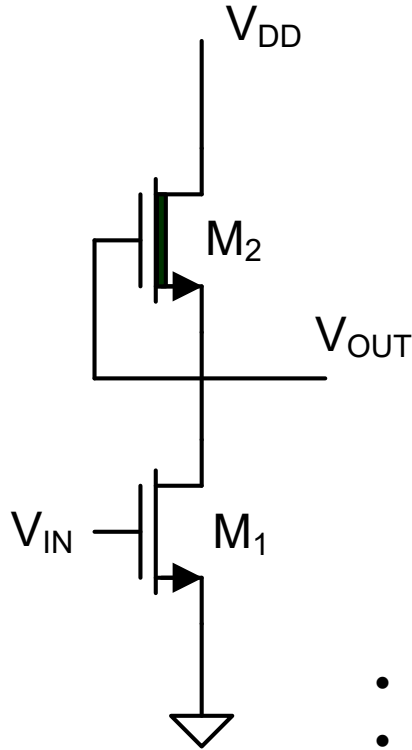


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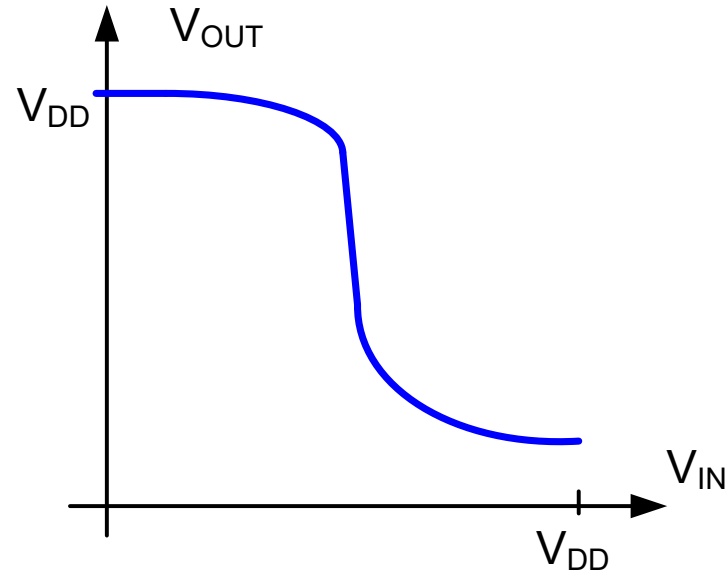




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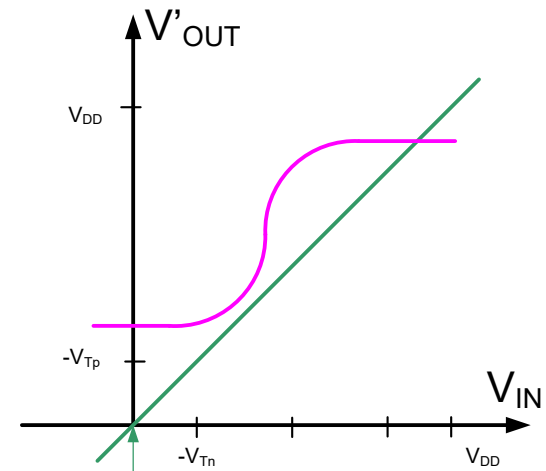
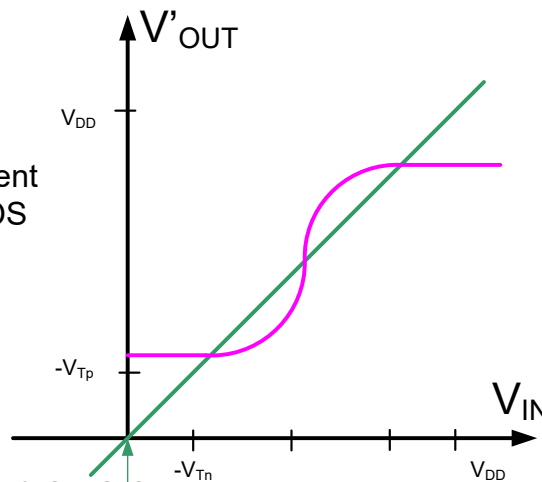
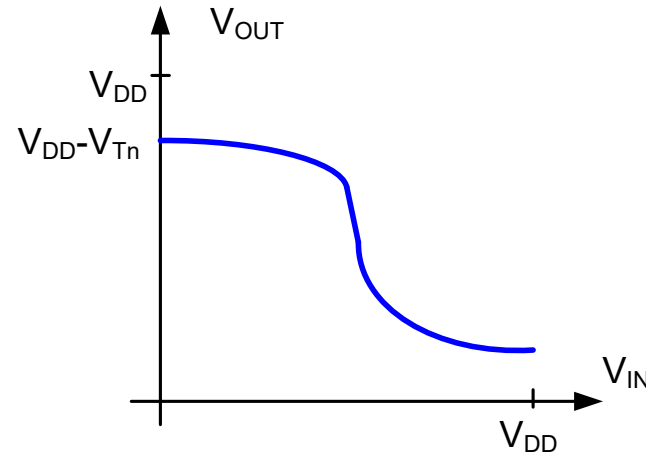
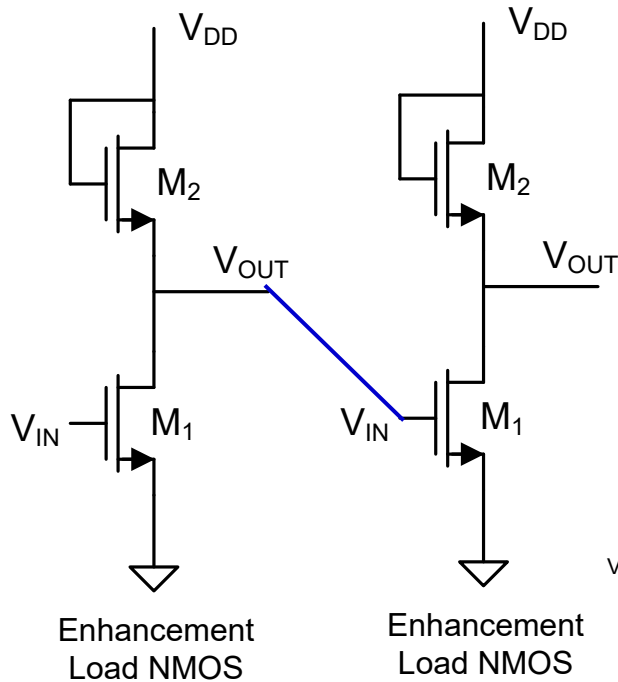
$V_{TD} < 0$



Depletion  
Load NMOS

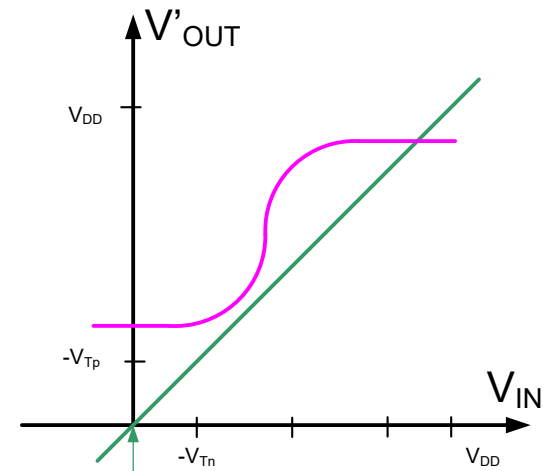
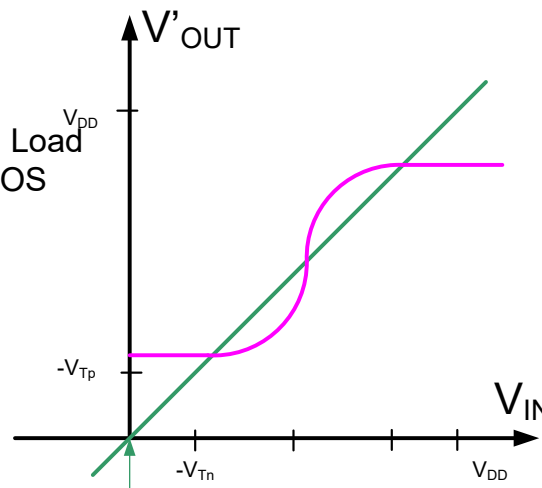
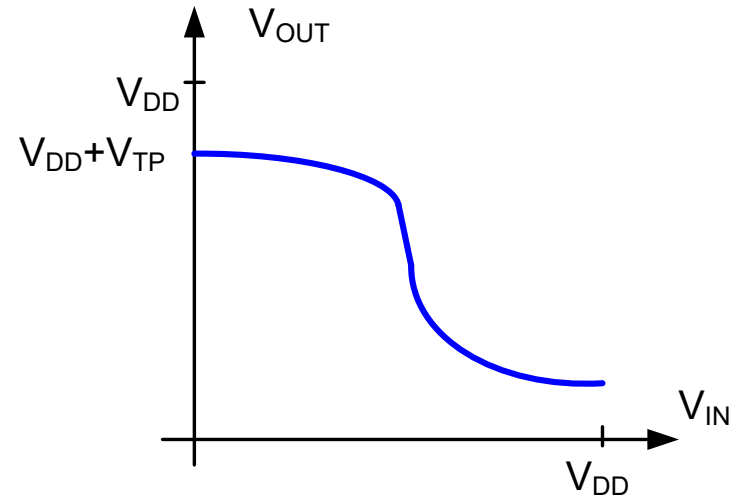
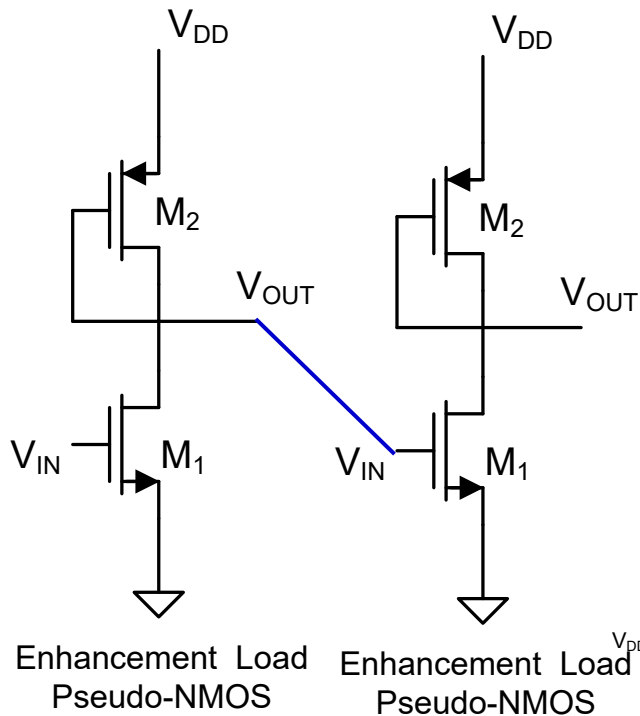
- **Low swing is degraded** 😞
- **Static Power Dissipation Large when  $V_{OUT}$  is low** 😞
- **Very economical process** 😊
- **Better than Enhancement Load NMOS**
- **Termed “ratio” logic**
- **Compact layout (no wells !)** 😊
- **Response time slow on L-H output transitions** 😞
- **Dominant MOS logic until about 1985**
- **Depletion device not available in most processes today** 😞

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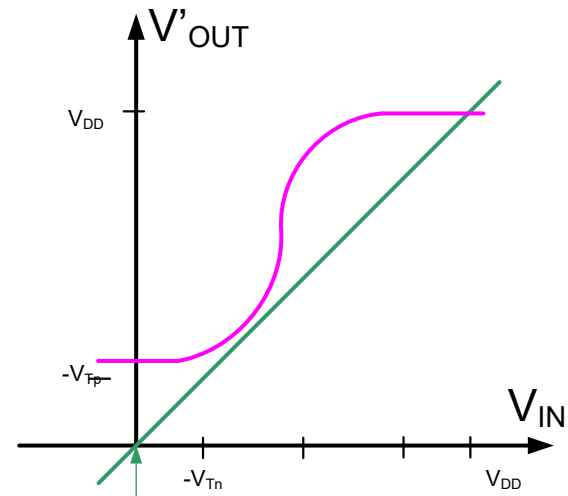
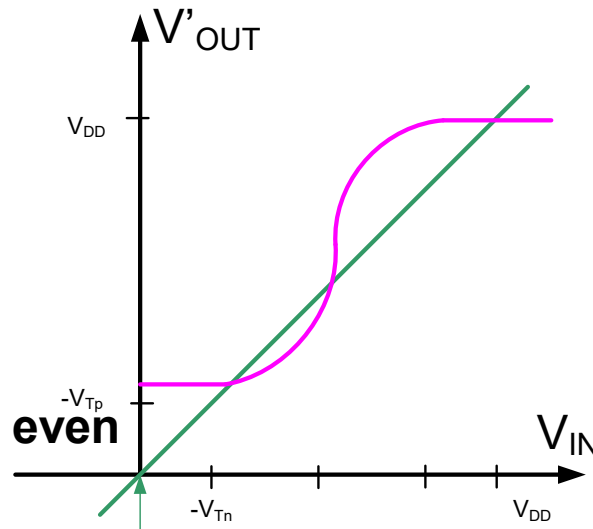
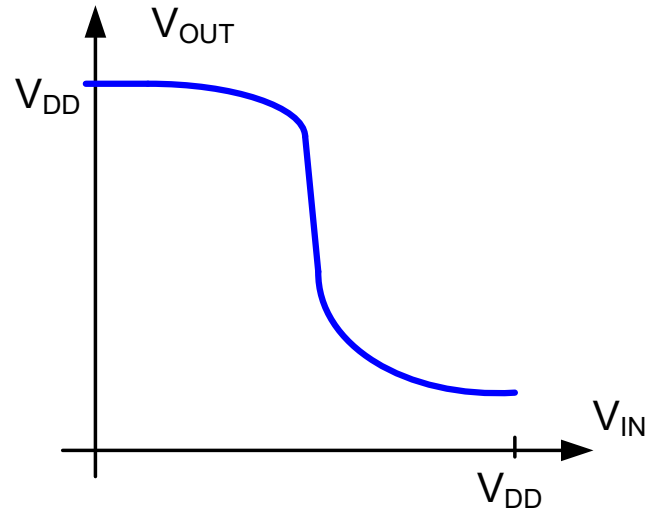
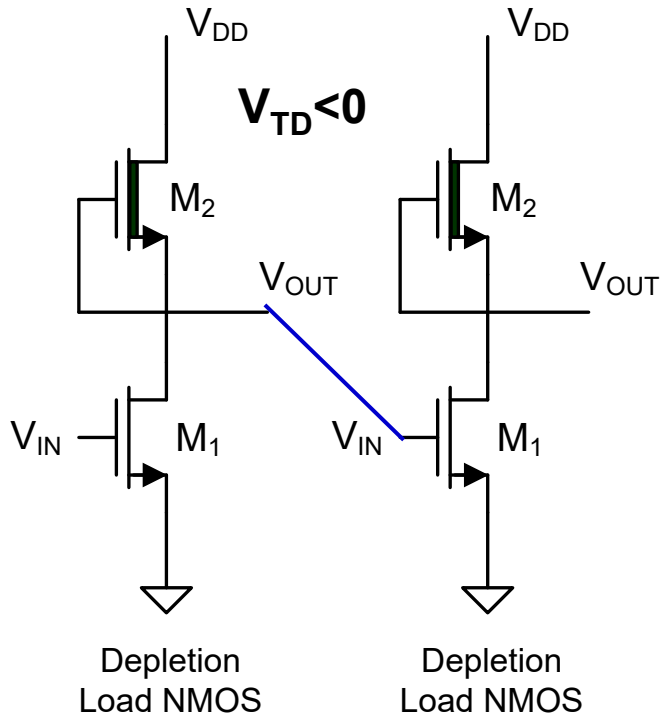
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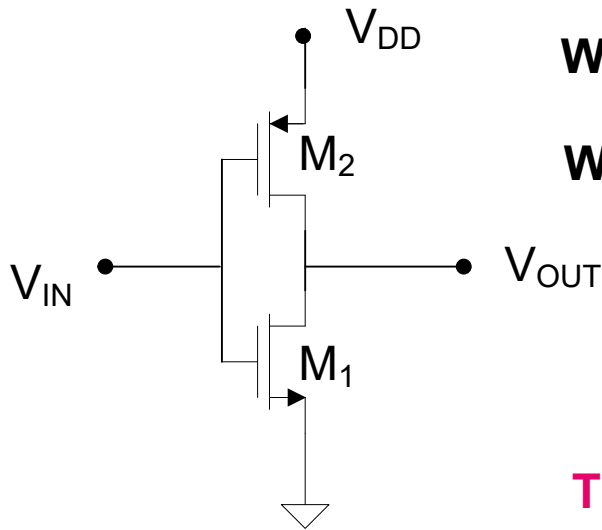
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# Static Power Dissipation in Static CMOS Family

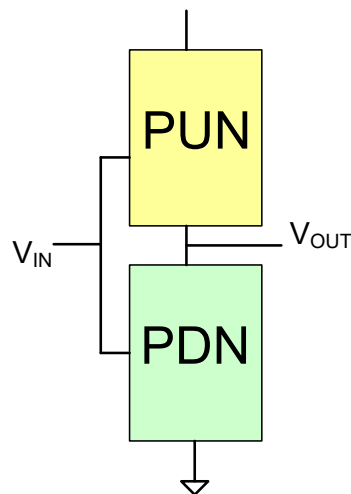


When  $V_{IN}$  is Low and  $V_{OUT}$  is High,  $M_1$  is off and  $I_{D1}=0$

When  $V_{IN}$  is High and  $V_{OUT}$  is Low,  $M_2$  is off and  $I_{D2}=0$

Thus,  $P_{STATIC}=0$

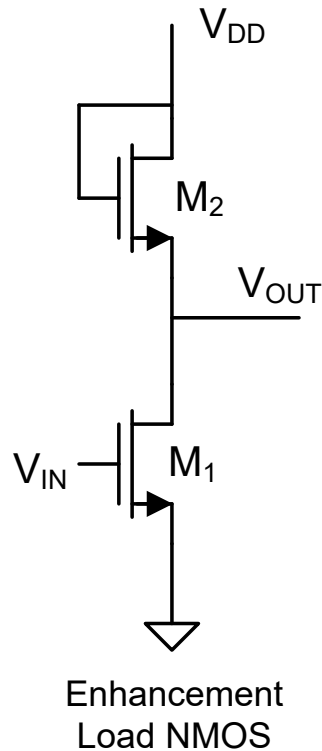
**This is a key property of the static CMOS Logic Family → the major reason Static CMOS Logic is so dominant**



It can be shown that this zero static power dissipation property can be preserved if the PUN is comprised of p-channel devices, the PDN is comprised of n-channel devices and they are never both driven into the conducting states at the same time

# Static Power Dissipation in Ratio Logic Families

**Example:**



**Assume  $V_{DD}=5V$**

**$V_T=1V$ ,  $\mu C_{OX}=10^{-4}A/V^2$ ,  $W_1/L_1=1$  and  $M_2$  sized so that  $V_L$  is close to  $V_{Tn}$**

**Observe:**

$$V_H = V_{DD} - V_{Tn}$$

**If  $V_{IN}=V_H$ ,  $V_{OUT}=V_L$  so**

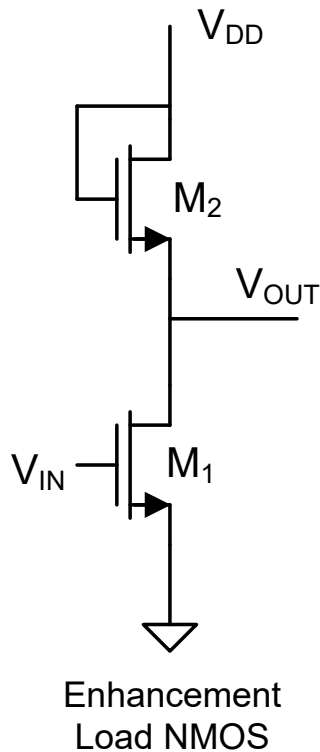
$$I_{D1} = \frac{\mu C_{OX} W_1}{L_1} \left( V_{GS1} - V_T - \frac{V_{DS1}}{2} \right) V_{DS1}$$

$$I_{D1} = 10^{-4} \left( 5 - 1 - 1 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \cdot 1 = 0.25mA$$

$$P_L = (5V)(0.25mA) = 1.25mW$$

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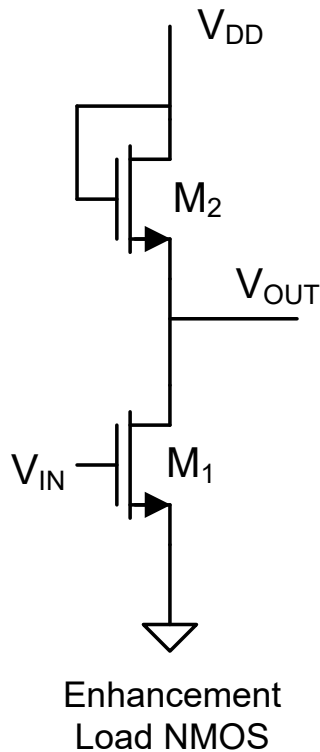
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$$P_{STATIC} = \frac{1}{2} 10^5 \cdot 1.25mW = \mathbf{62.5W}$$

**This power dissipation is way too high and would be even larger in circuits with 100 million or more gates – the level of integration common in SoC circuits today**

# Digital Circuit Design

- Hierarchical Design
- Basic Logic Gates
- Properties of Logic Families
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- Static CMOS Logic Gates
  - Ratio Logic
- Propagation Delay
  - Simple analytical models
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- Sizing of Gates
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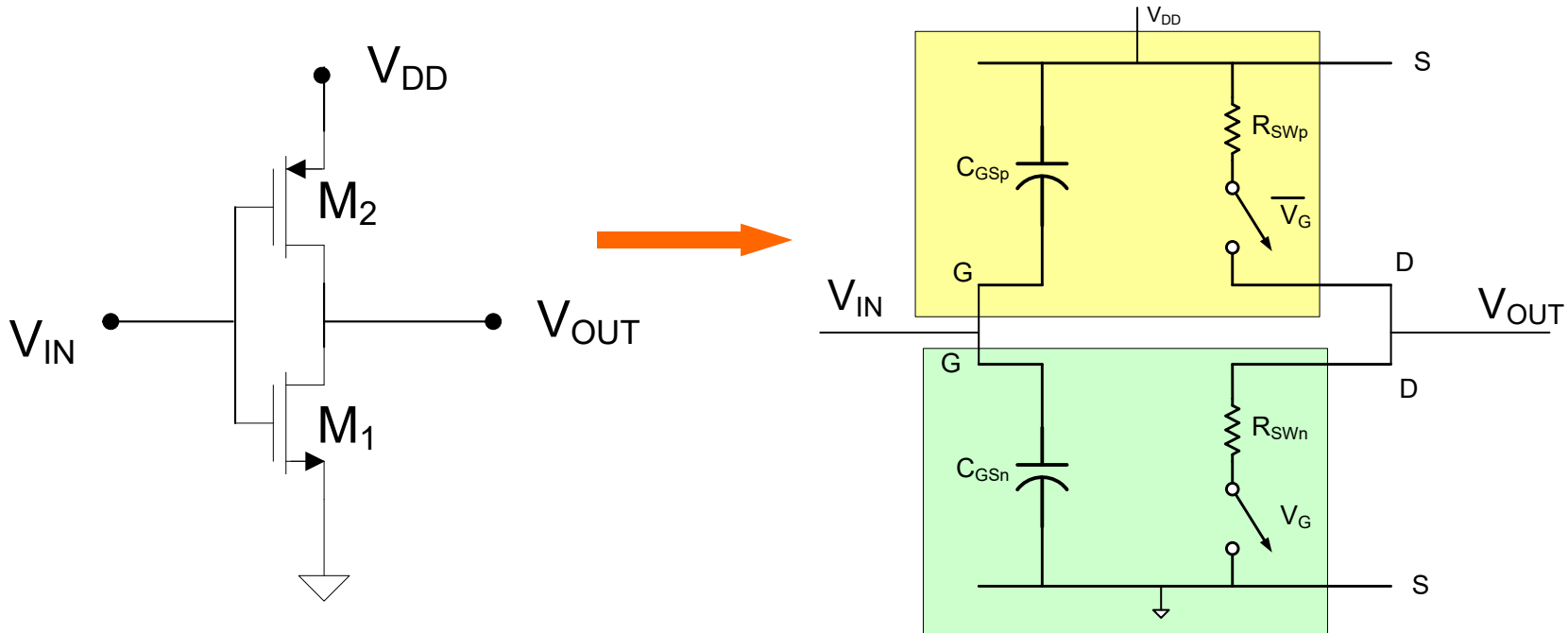
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# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

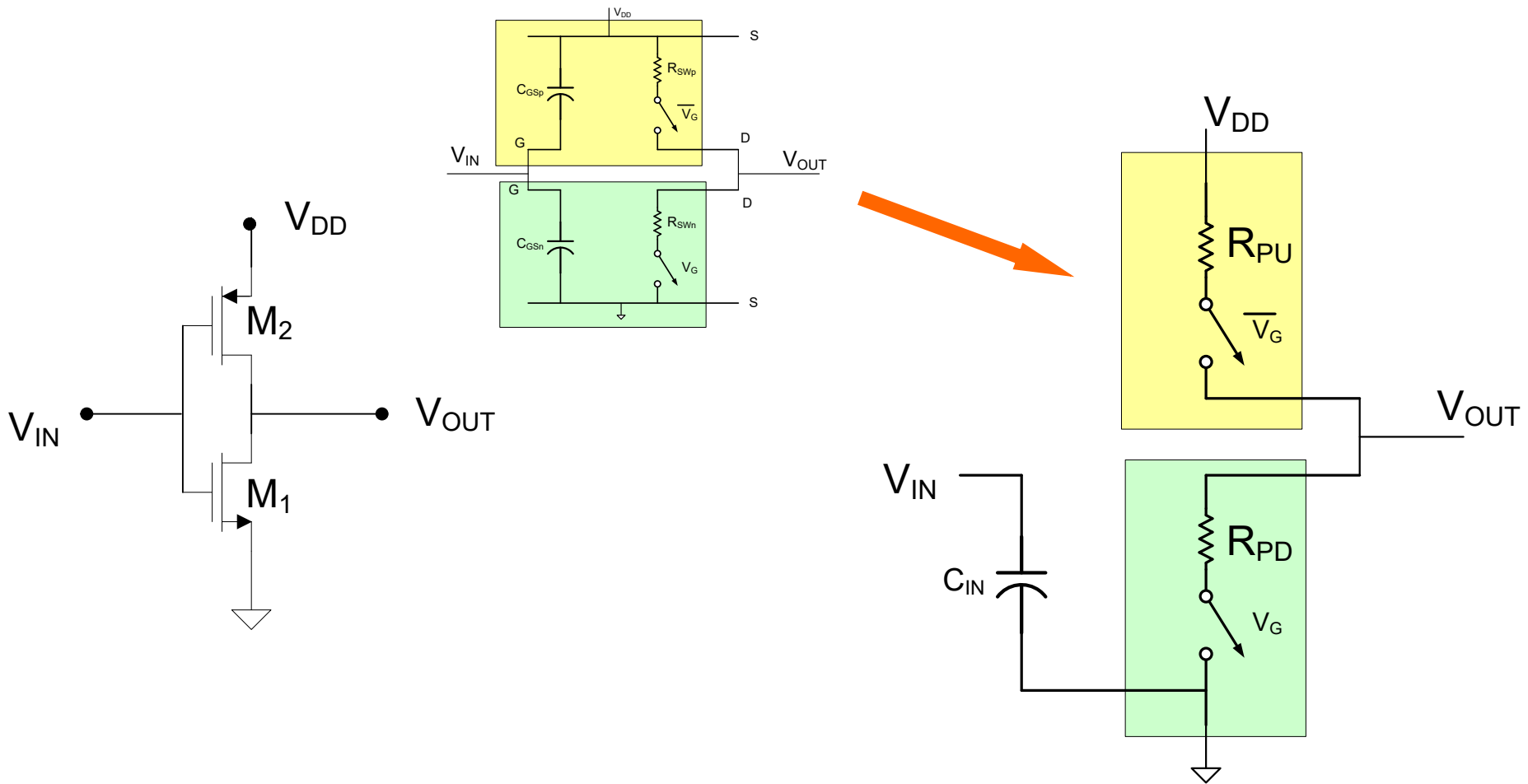
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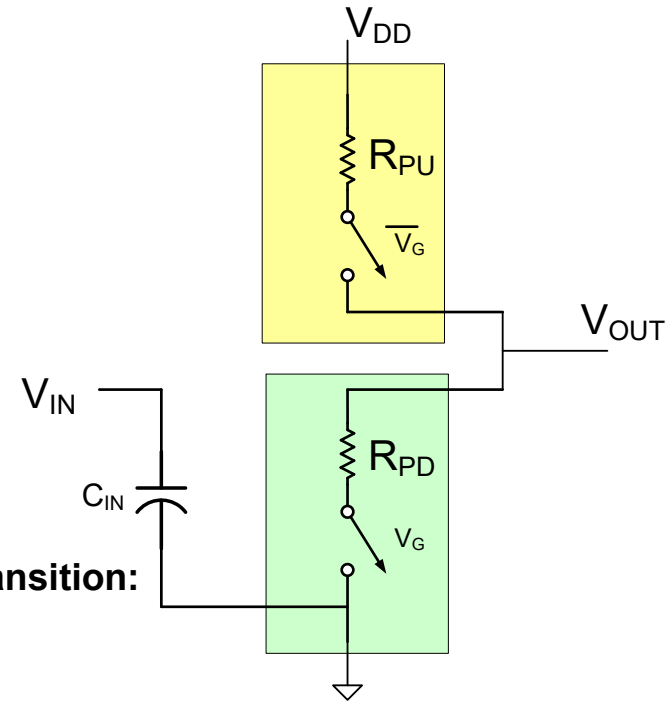
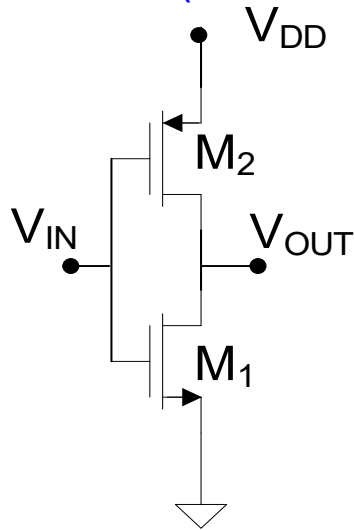
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# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

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Since conducting transistor operating in triode through most of transition:

$$I_D \cong \frac{\mu C_{OX} W}{L} \left( V_{GS} - V_T - \frac{V_{DS}}{2} \right) V_{DS} \cong \frac{\mu C_{OX} W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_T) V_{DS}$$

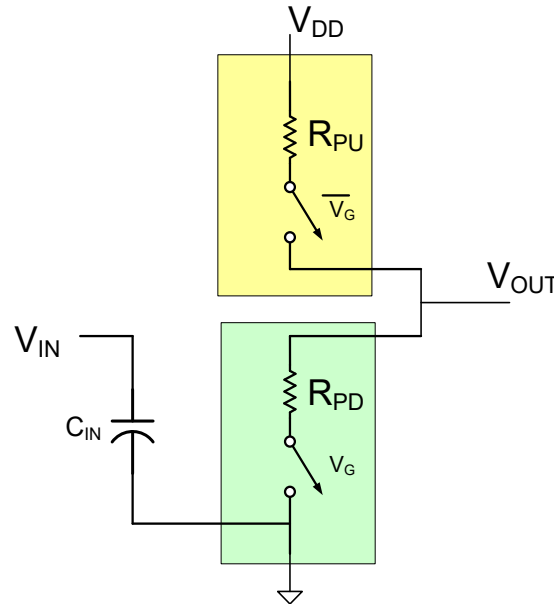
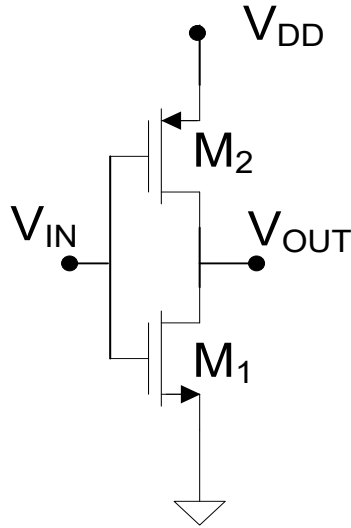
$$R_{PD} = \frac{V_{DS}}{I_D} = \frac{L_1}{\mu_n C_{OX} W_1 (V_{DD} - V_{Tn})}$$

$$R_{PU} = \frac{V_{DS}}{I_D} = \frac{L_2}{\mu_p C_{OX} W_2 (V_{DD} + V_{Tp})}$$

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## Example: Minimum-sized $M_1$ and $M_2$

If  $\mu_n C_{OX} = 100 \mu A V^{-2}$ ,  $C_{OX} = 4 \text{ fF} \mu^{-2}$ ,  $V_{Tn} = V_{DD}/5$ ,  $V_{Tp} = -V_{DD}/5$ ,  $\mu_n/\mu_p = 3$ ,  $L_1 = W_1 = L_{MIN}$ ,  $L_2 = W_2 = L_{MIN}$ ,  $L_{MIN} = 0.5 \mu$  and  $V_{DD} = 5V$

(Note: This  $C_{OX}$  is somewhat larger than that in the 0.5u ON process)

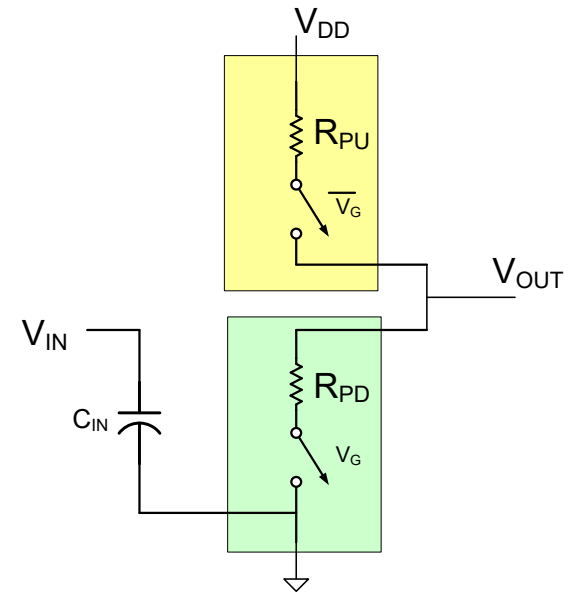
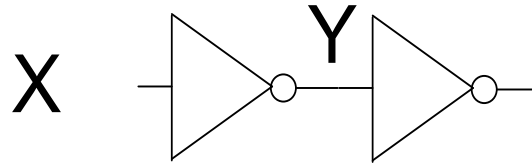
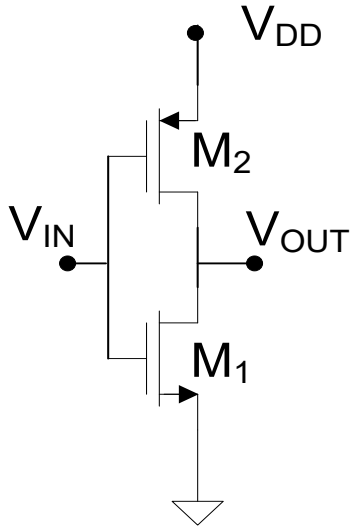
$$R_{PD} = \frac{1}{10^{-4} \cdot 0.8 V_{DD}} = 2.5 \text{ K}\Omega$$

$$C_{IN} = 4 \cdot 10^{-15} \cdot 2 L_{MIN}^2 = 2 \text{ fF}$$

$$R_{PU} = \frac{1}{10^{-4} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot 0.8 V_{DD}} = 7.5 \text{ K}\Omega$$

# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

(Review from earlier discussions)



In typical process with **Minimum-sized  $M_1$  and  $M_2$**  :

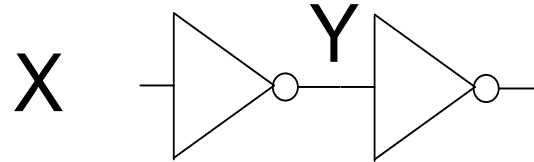
$$R_{PD} \cong 2.5K\Omega$$

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$$C_{IN} \cong 2fF$$

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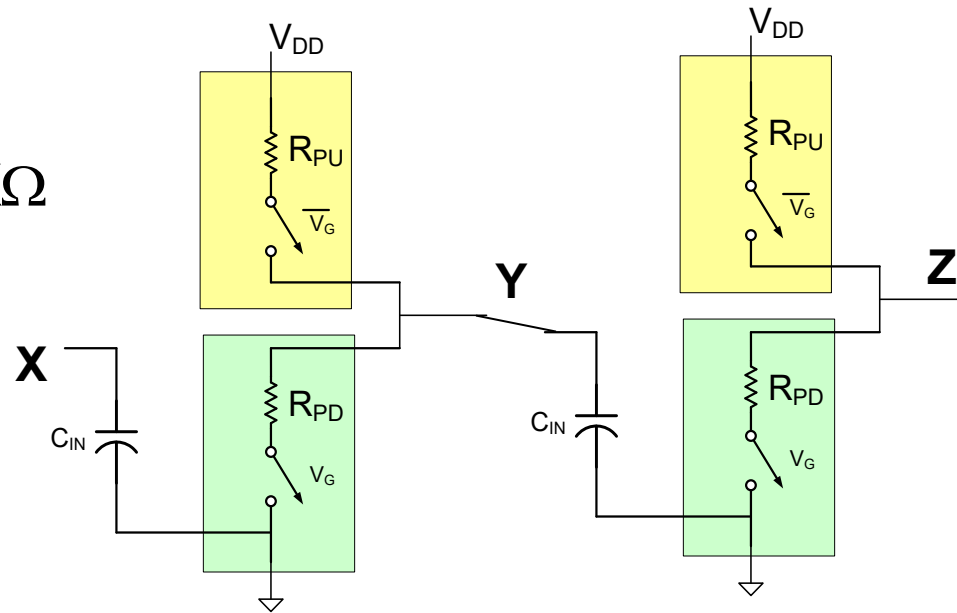


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How long does it take for a signal to propagate from x to y?

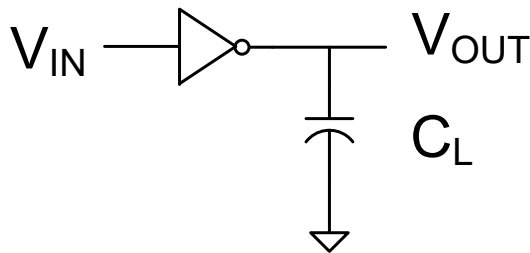


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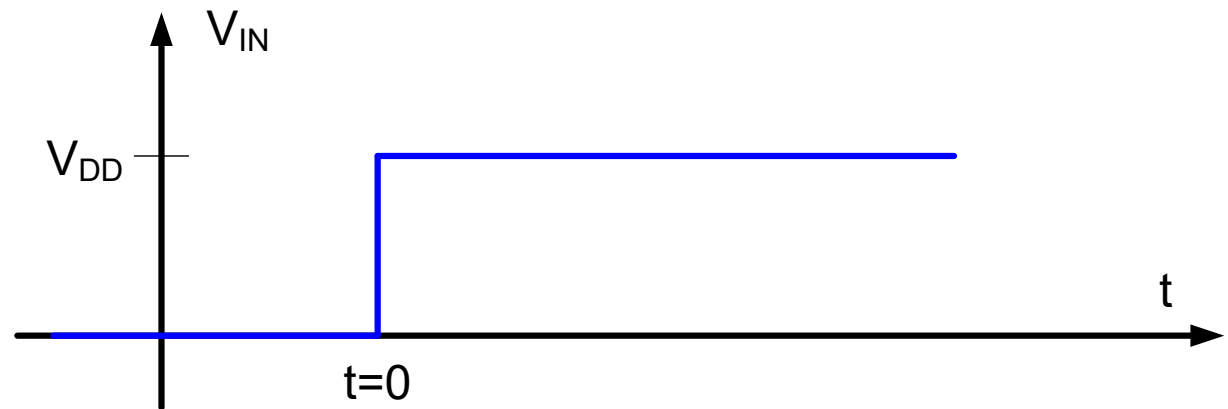
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Consider:

For HL output transition,  $C_L$  charged to  $V_{DD}$



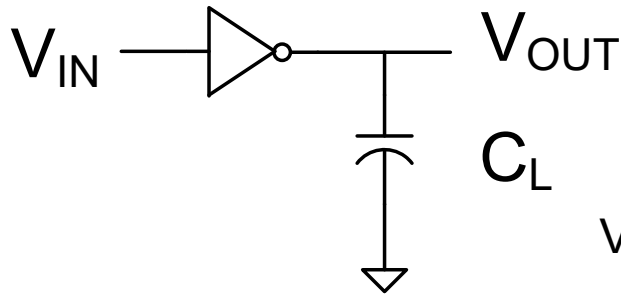
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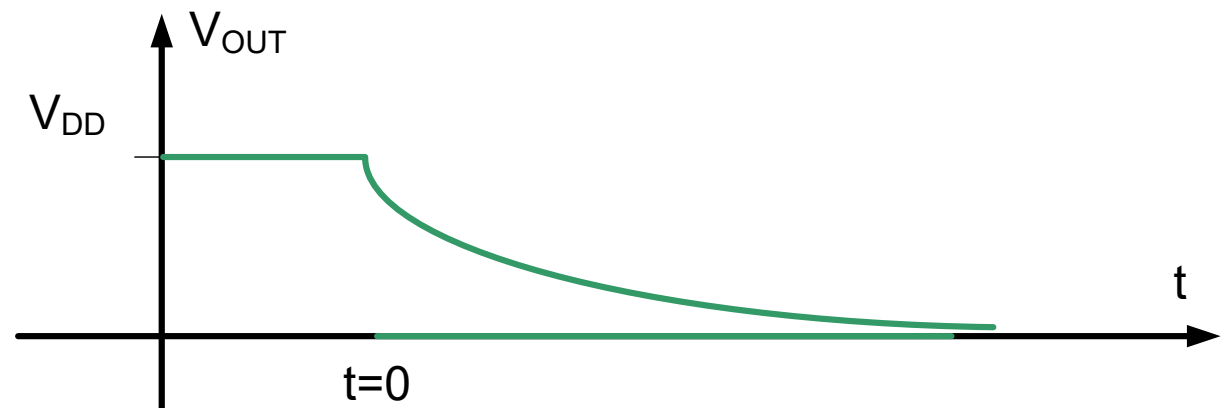
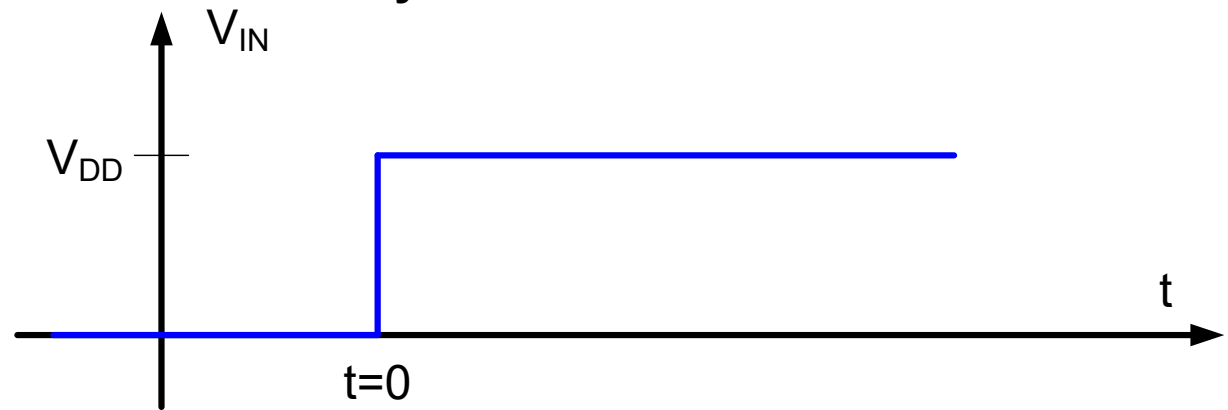
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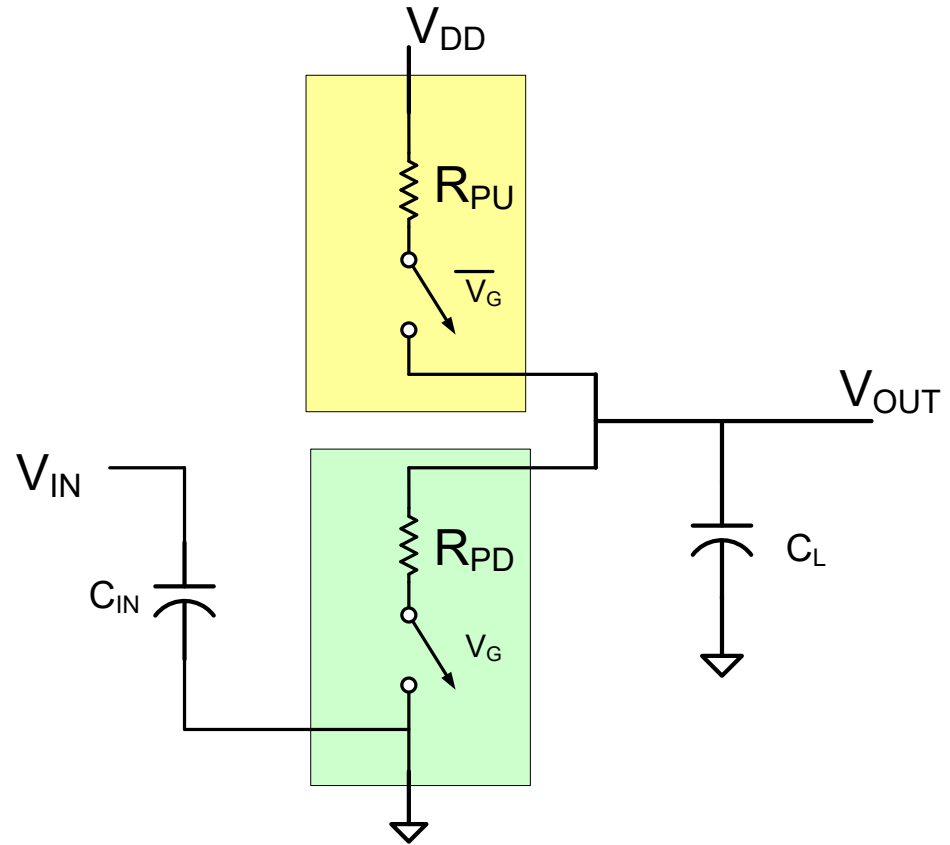
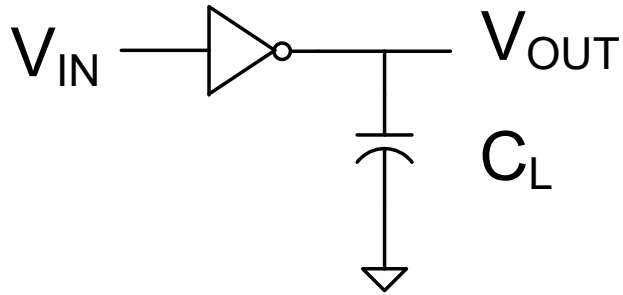
Actually:



What is the transition time  $t_{HL}$  ?

# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

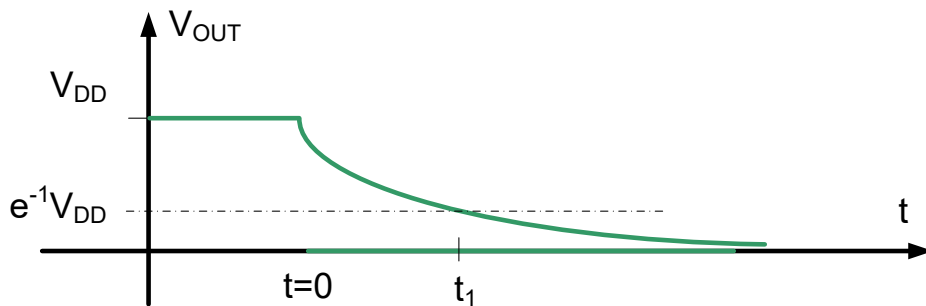
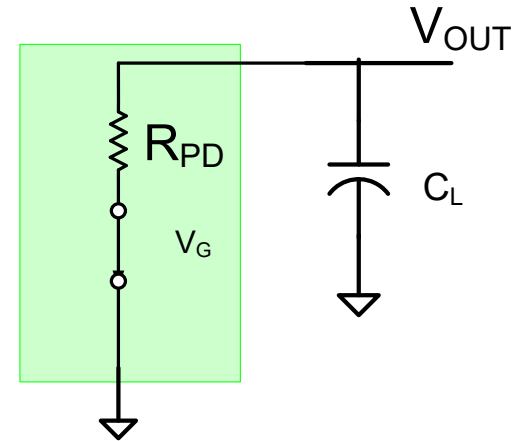
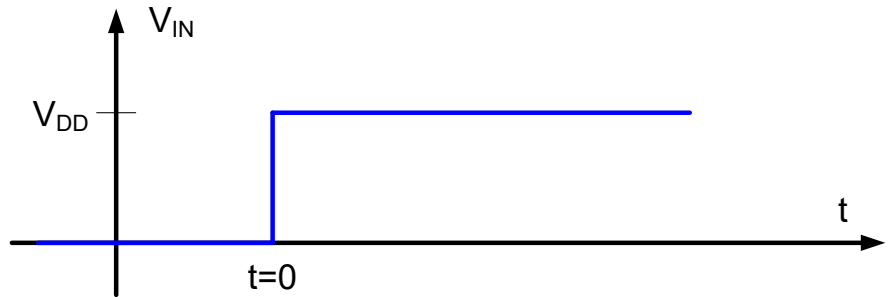
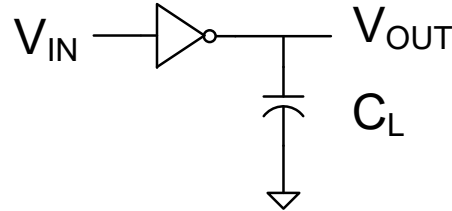
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# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

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For HL output transition,  $C_L$  charged to  $V_{DD}$



$$V_{OUT}(t) = F + (I - F)e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} = 0 + (V_{DD} - 0)e^{-\frac{t}{R_{PD}C_L}}$$

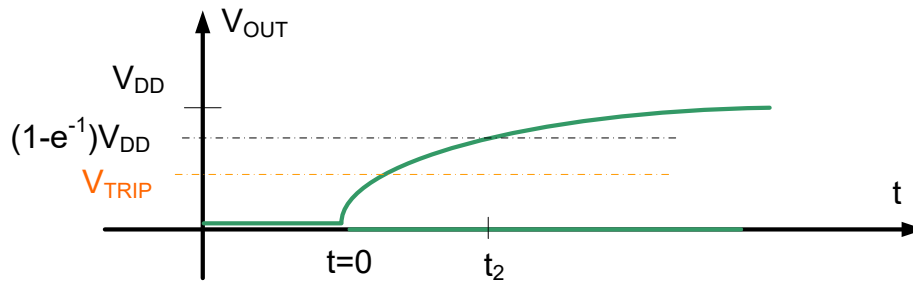
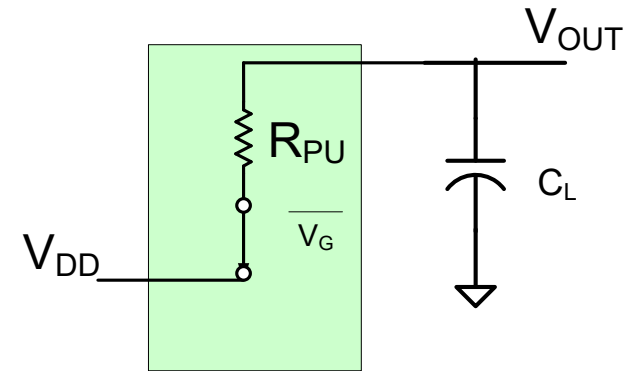
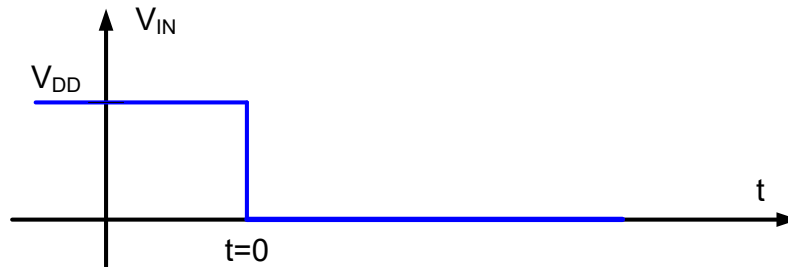
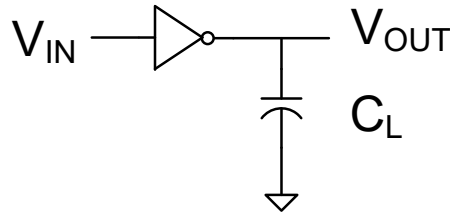
$$\frac{V_{DD}}{e} = V_{DD}e^{-\frac{t_1}{R_{PD}C_L}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad t_1 = R_{PD}C_L$$

If  $V_{TRIP}$  is close to  $V_{DD}/2$ ,  $t_{HL}$  is close to  $t_1$

# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

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For HL output transition,  $C_L$  charged to  $V_{DD}$



$$t_{LH} \cong t_2 = R_{PU} C_L$$

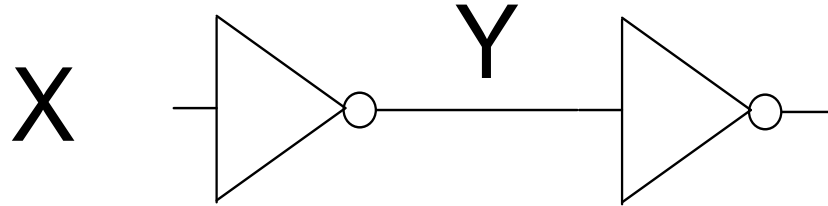
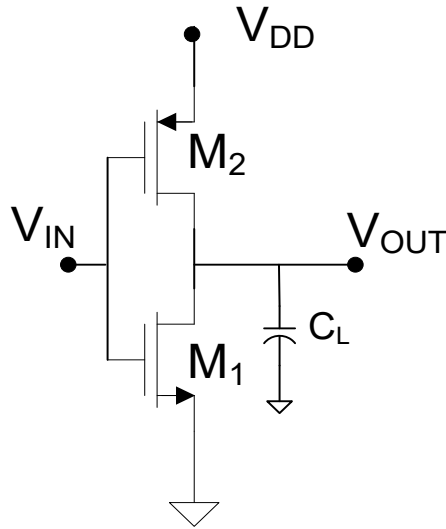
**Summary:**  $t_{LH} \cong R_{PU} C_L$

$$t_{HL} \cong R_{PD} C_L$$

For  $V_{TRIP}$  close to  $V_{DD}/2$

# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

(Review from earlier discussions)



In typical process with **Minimum-sized  $M_1$  and  $M_2$**  :

$$t_{HL} \cong R_{PD}C_L \cong 2.5K \cdot 2fF = 5ps$$

$$t_{LH} \cong R_{PU}C_L \cong 7.5K \cdot 2fF = 15ps$$

(Note: This  $C_{ox}$  is somewhat larger than that in the 0.5u ON process)

**Note: LH transition is much slower than HL transition**

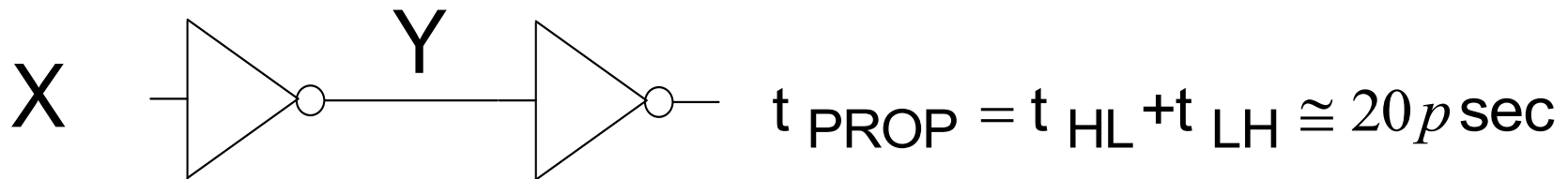
# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

**Defn:** The Propagation Delay of a gate is defined to be the sum of  $t_{HL}$  and  $t_{LH}$ , that is,  $t_{PROP} = t_{HL} + t_{LH}$

$$t_{PROP} = t_{HL} + t_{LH} \cong C_L (R_{PU} + R_{PD})$$

Propagation delay represents a fundamental limit on the speed a gate can be clocked at

For basic two-inverter cascade in static 0.5um CMOS logic driving an identical device



# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

$$t_{PROP} = t_{HL} + t_{LH} \cong C_L (R_{PU} + R_{PD})$$

$$R_{PD} = \frac{L_1}{\mu_n C_{OX} W_1 (V_{DD} - V_{Tn})} \quad R_{PU} = \frac{L_2}{\mu_p C_{OX} W_2 (V_{DD} + V_{Tp})} \quad C_{IN} = C_{OX} (W_1 L_1 + W_2 L_2)$$

$$\text{If } V_{Tn} = -V_{Tp} = V_T$$

$$t_{PROP} = C_{OX} (W_1 L_1 + W_2 L_2) \left( \frac{L_1}{\mu_n C_{OX} W_1 (V_{DD} - V_T)} + \frac{L_2}{\mu_p C_{OX} W_2 (V_{DD} - V_T)} \right)$$

$$\text{If } L_2 = L_1 = L_{min}, \mu_n = 3\mu_p,$$

$$t_{PROP} = \frac{L_{min}^2}{\mu_n (V_{DD} - V_T)} (W_1 + W_2) \left( \frac{1}{W_1} + \frac{3}{W_2} \right) = \frac{L_{min}^2}{\mu_n (V_{DD} - V_T)} \left( 4 + \frac{W_2}{W_1} + 3 \frac{W_1}{W_2} \right)$$

Note speed is a function of device sizing !

Can  $t_{PROP}$  be minimized?



# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

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Assume  $W_1 = W_{\min}$

$$\frac{\partial t_{PROP}}{\partial W_2} = \left[ \frac{L_{\min}^2}{\mu_n (V_{DD} - V_{TH})} \right] \left[ \frac{1}{W_{\min}} - 3 \frac{W_{\min}}{W_2^2} \right] = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{W_{\min}} - 3 \frac{W_{\min}}{W_2^2} = 0$$

$$W_2 = \sqrt{3} W_{\min}$$

$$t_{PROP} = \frac{L_{\min}^2}{\mu_n (V_{DD} - V_T)} (4 + 2\sqrt{3}) \cong \frac{L_{\min}^2}{\mu_n (V_{DD} - V_T)} (7.5) \quad (7.5)$$

# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

$$t_{\text{PROP}} = t_{\text{HL}} + t_{\text{LH}} \cong C_L (R_{\text{PU}} + R_{\text{PD}})$$

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For min size:

$$W_2 = W_1 = W_{\text{min}}$$

$$t_{\text{PROP}} = \frac{8L_{\text{min}}^2}{\mu_n (V_{\text{DD}} - V_{\text{T}})}$$

For equal rise/fall:

$$W_2 = 3W_1$$

$$t_{\text{PROP}} = \frac{8L_{\text{min}}^2}{\mu_n (V_{\text{DD}} - V_{\text{T}})}$$

For min delay:

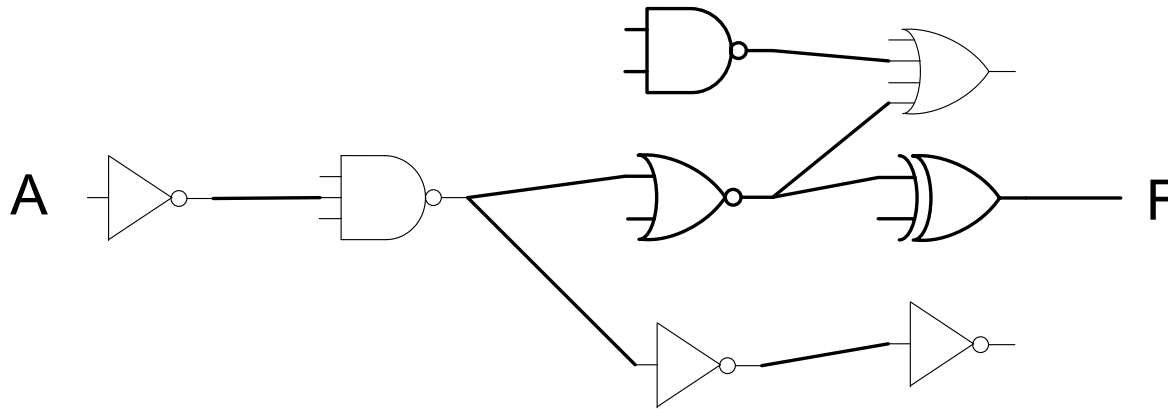
$$W_2 = \sqrt{3}W_1$$

$$t_{\text{PROP}} = \frac{(4 + 2\sqrt{3})L_{\text{min}}^2}{\mu_n (V_{\text{DD}} - V_{\text{T}})}$$

$$(4 + 2\sqrt{3}) \cong 7.5$$

**Propagation Delay About the Same for 3 Sizing Strategies**

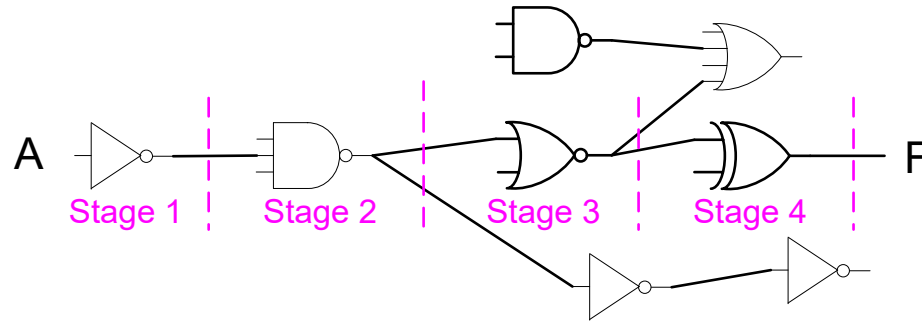
# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family



**The propagation delay through k levels of logic is approximately the sum of the individual propagation delays in the same path**

# Propagation Delay in Static CMOS Family

Example:



$$t_{HL} = t_{HL4} + t_{LH3} + t_{HL2} + t_{LH1}$$

$$t_{LH} = t_{LH4} + t_{HL3} + t_{LH2} + t_{HL1}$$

$$t_{PROP} = t_{LH} + t_{HL} = (t_{LH4} + t_{HL3} + t_{LH2} + t_{HL1}) + (t_{HL4} + t_{LH3} + t_{HL2} + t_{LH1})$$

$$t_{PROP} = t_{LH} + t_{HL} = (t_{LH4} + t_{HL4}) + (t_{LH3} + t_{HL3}) + (t_{LH2} + t_{HL2}) + (t_{LH1} + t_{HL1})$$

$$t_{PROP} = t_{PROP4} + t_{PROP3} + t_{PROP2} + t_{PROP1}$$





**Stay Safe and Stay Healthy !**

End of Lecture 39