

Important CMOS Inverters Formulas PDF



**Formulas
Examples
with Units**

**List of 16
Important CMOS Inverters Formulas**

1) Average Power Dissipation CMOS Formula ↻

Formula

$$P_{\text{avg}} = C_{\text{load}} \cdot (V_{\text{DD}})^2 \cdot f$$

Example with Units

$$0.4041 \text{ mW} = 0.93 \text{ fF} \cdot (3.3 \text{ v})^2 \cdot 39.9 \text{ GHz}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

2) Average Propagation Delay CMOS Formula ↻

Formula

$$\zeta_p = \frac{\zeta_{\text{PHL}} + \zeta_{\text{PLH}}}{2}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0042 \text{ ns} = \frac{0.00229 \text{ ns} + 0.006182 \text{ ns}}{2}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

3) Load Capacitance of Cascaded Inverter CMOS Formula ↻

Formula

$$C_{\text{load}} = C_{\text{gd,p}} + C_{\text{gd,n}} + C_{\text{db,p}} + C_{\text{db,n}} + C_{\text{in}} + C_g$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

Example with Units

$$0.93 \text{ fF} = 0.15 \text{ fF} + 0.1 \text{ fF} + 0.25 \text{ fF} + 0.2 \text{ fF} + 0.05 \text{ fF} + 0.18 \text{ fF}$$

4) Maximum Input Voltage CMOS Formula ↻

Formula

$$V_{\text{IL}} = \frac{2 \cdot V_{\text{output}} + (V_{\text{T0,p}}) - V_{\text{DD}} + K_r \cdot V_{\text{T0,n}}}{1 + K_r}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

Example with Units

$$1.08 \text{ v} = \frac{2 \cdot 3.14 \text{ v} + (-0.7 \text{ v}) - 3.3 \text{ v} + 2.5 \cdot 0.6 \text{ v}}{1 + 2.5}$$

5) Maximum Input Voltage for Symmetric CMOS Formula ↻

Formula

$$V_{\text{IL(sym)}} = \frac{3 \cdot V_{\text{DD}} + 2 \cdot V_{\text{T0,n}}}{8}$$

Example with Units

$$1.3875 \text{ v} = \frac{3 \cdot 3.3 \text{ v} + 2 \cdot 0.6 \text{ v}}{8}$$

Evaluate Formula ↻



6) Minimum Input Voltage CMOS Formula

Formula

$$V_{IH} = \frac{V_{DD} + (V_{T0,p}) + K_r \cdot (2 \cdot V_{out} + V_{T0,n})}{1 + K_r}$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$1.5571 \text{ v} = \frac{3.3 \text{ v} + (-0.7 \text{ v}) + 2.5 \cdot (2 \cdot 0.27 \text{ v} + 0.6 \text{ v})}{1 + 2.5}$$

7) Minimum Input Voltage for Symmetric CMOS Formula

Formula

$$V_{IH(sym)} = \frac{5 \cdot V_{DD} - 2 \cdot V_{T0,n}}{8}$$

Example with Units

$$1.9125 \text{ v} = \frac{5 \cdot 3.3 \text{ v} - 2 \cdot 0.6 \text{ v}}{8}$$

Evaluate Formula 

8) Noise Margin for High Signal CMOS Formula

Formula

$$N_{MH} = V_{OH} - V_{IH}$$

Example with Units

$$1.8 \text{ v} = 3.35 \text{ v} - 1.55 \text{ v}$$

Evaluate Formula 

9) Oscillation Period Ring Oscillator CMOS Formula

Formula

$$T_{osc} = 2 \cdot n \cdot \zeta_p$$

Example with Units

$$0.0252 \text{ ns} = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 0.0042 \text{ ns}$$

Evaluate Formula 

10) Propagation Delay for High to Low Output Transition CMOS Formula

Formula

$$\zeta_{PHL} = \left(\frac{C_{load}}{K_n \cdot (V_{DD} - V_{Tn})} \right) \cdot \left(\left(2 \cdot \frac{V_{Tn}}{V_{DD} - V_{Tn}} \right) + \ln \left(\left(4 \cdot \frac{V_{DD} - V_{Tn}}{V_{DD}} \right) - 1 \right) \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$0.0025 \text{ ns} = \left(\frac{0.93 \text{ fF}}{200 \mu\text{A/V}^2 \cdot (3.3 \text{ v} - 0.8 \text{ v})} \right) \cdot \left(\left(2 \cdot \frac{0.8 \text{ v}}{3.3 \text{ v} - 0.8 \text{ v}} \right) + \ln \left(\left(4 \cdot \frac{3.3 \text{ v} - 0.8 \text{ v}}{3.3 \text{ v}} \right) - 1 \right) \right)$$

11) Propagation Delay for Low to High Output Transition CMOS Formula

Formula

$$\zeta_{PLH} = \left(\frac{C_{load}}{K_p \cdot (V_{DD} - |V_{Tp}|)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{2 \cdot |V_{Tp}|}{V_{DD} - |V_{Tp}|} \right) + \ln \left(\left(4 \cdot \frac{V_{DD} - |V_{Tp}|}{V_{DD}} \right) - 1 \right) \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

Example with Units

$$0.0068 \text{ ns} = \left(\frac{0.93 \text{ fF}}{80 \mu\text{A/V}^2 \cdot (3.3 \text{ v} - |-0.9 \text{ v}|)} \right) \cdot \left(\left(\frac{2 \cdot |-0.9 \text{ v}|}{3.3 \text{ v} - |-0.9 \text{ v}|} \right) + \ln \left(\left(4 \cdot \frac{3.3 \text{ v} - |-0.9 \text{ v}|}{3.3 \text{ v}} \right) - 1 \right) \right)$$



12) Resistive Load Maximum Input Voltage CMOS Formula

Formula

$$V_{IL(RL)} = V_{T0} + \left(\frac{1}{K_n \cdot R_L} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$1.4025 \text{ v} = 1.4 \text{ v} + \left(\frac{1}{200 \mu\text{A/V}^2 \cdot 2 \text{ M}\Omega} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

13) Resistive Load Minimum Input Voltage CMOS Formula

Formula

$$V_{IH(RL)} = V_{T0} + \sqrt{\frac{8 \cdot V_{DD}}{3 \cdot K_n \cdot R_L}} - \left(\frac{1}{K_n \cdot R_L} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$1.5458 \text{ v} = 1.4 \text{ v} + \sqrt{\frac{8 \cdot 3.3 \text{ v}}{3 \cdot 200 \mu\text{A/V}^2 \cdot 2 \text{ M}\Omega}} - \left(\frac{1}{200 \mu\text{A/V}^2 \cdot 2 \text{ M}\Omega} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

14) Resistive Load Minimum Output Voltage CMOS Formula

Formula

$$V_{OL(RL)} = V_{DD} - V_{T0} + \left(\frac{1}{K_n \cdot R_L} \right) - \sqrt{\left(V_{DD} - V_{T0} + \left(\frac{1}{K_n \cdot R_L} \right) \right)^2 - \left(2 \cdot \frac{V_{DD}}{K_n \cdot R_L} \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0043 \text{ v} = 3.3 \text{ v} - 1.4 \text{ v} + \left(\frac{1}{200 \mu\text{A/V}^2 \cdot 2 \text{ M}\Omega} \right) - \sqrt{\left(3.3 \text{ v} - 1.4 \text{ v} + \left(\frac{1}{200 \mu\text{A/V}^2 \cdot 2 \text{ M}\Omega} \right) \right)^2 - \left(2 \cdot \frac{3.3 \text{ v}}{200 \mu\text{A/V}^2 \cdot 2 \text{ M}\Omega} \right)}$$

Evaluate Formula 

15) Threshold Voltage CMOS Formula

Formula

$$V_{th} = \frac{V_{T0,n} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{K_r}} \cdot (V_{DD} + (V_{T0,p}))}{1 + \sqrt{\frac{1}{K_r}}}$$

Example with Units

$$1.3749 \text{ v} = \frac{0.6 \text{ v} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2.5}} \cdot (3.3 \text{ v} + (-0.7 \text{ v}))}{1 + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2.5}}}$$

Evaluate Formula 



16) Transconductance Ratio CMOS Formula

Formula

$$K_r = \frac{K_n}{K_p}$$

Example with Units

$$2.5 = \frac{200 \mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2}{80 \mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2}$$

Evaluate Formula 



Variables used in list of CMOS Inverters Formulas above

- **$C_{db,n}$** NMOS Drain Bulk Capacitance (Femtofarad)
- **$C_{db,p}$** PMOS Drain Bulk Capacitance (Femtofarad)
- **C_g** Inverter CMOS Gate Capacitance (Femtofarad)
- **$C_{gd,n}$** NMOS Gate Drain Capacitance (Femtofarad)
- **$C_{gd,p}$** PMOS Gate Drain Capacitance (Femtofarad)
- **C_{in}** Inverter CMOS Internal Capacitance (Femtofarad)
- **C_{load}** Inverter CMOS Load Capacitance (Femtofarad)
- **f** Frequency (Gigahertz)
- **K_n** Transconductance of NMOS (Microampere per Square Volt)
- **K_p** Transconductance of PMOS (Microampere per Square Volt)
- **K_T** Transconductance Ratio
- **n** Number of Stages Ring Oscillator
- **N_{MH}** Noise Margin for High Signal (Volt)
- **P_{avg}** Average Power Dissipation (Milliwatt)
- **R_L** Load Resistance (Megohm)
- **T_{osc}** Oscillation Period (Nanosecond)
- **V_{DD}** Supply Voltage (Volt)
- **V_{IH}** Minimum Input Voltage (Volt)
- **$V_{IH(RL)}$** Resistive Load Minimum Input Voltage (Volt)
- **$V_{IH(sym)}$** Minimum Input Voltage Symmetric CMOS (Volt)
- **V_{IL}** Maximum Input Voltage CMOS (Volt)
- **$V_{IL(RL)}$** Resistive Load Maximum Input Voltage CMOS (Volt)

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of CMOS Inverters Formulas above









- **Functions:** **abs**, abs(Number)
The absolute value of a number is its distance from zero on the number line. It's always a positive value, as it represents the magnitude of a number without considering its direction.
- **Functions:** **ln**, ln(Number)
The natural logarithm, also known as the logarithm to the base e, is the inverse function of the natural exponential function.
- **Functions:** **sqrt**, sqrt(Number)
A square root function is a function that takes a non-negative number as an input and returns the square root of the given input number.
- **Measurement:** **Time** in Nanosecond (ns)
Time Unit Conversion ↻
- **Measurement:** **Power** in Milliwatt (mW)
Power Unit Conversion ↻
- **Measurement:** **Frequency** in Gigahertz (GHz)
Frequency Unit Conversion ↻
- **Measurement:** **Capacitance** in Femtofarad (fF)
Capacitance Unit Conversion ↻
- **Measurement:** **Electric Resistance** in Megohm (MΩ)
Electric Resistance Unit Conversion ↻
- **Measurement:** **Electric Potential** in Volt (V)
Electric Potential Unit Conversion ↻
- **Measurement:** **Transconductance Parameter** in Microampere per Square Volt ($\mu A/V^2$)
Transconductance Parameter Unit Conversion ↻



- $V_{IL(sym)}$ Maximum Input Voltage Symmetric CMOS (Volt)
- V_{OH} Maximum Output Voltage (Volt)
- $V_{OL(RL)}$ Resistive Load Minimum Output Voltage (Volt)
- V_{out} Output Voltage (Volt)
- V_{output} Output Voltage for Max Input (Volt)
- $V_{T,n}$ Threshold Voltage of NMOS with Body Bias (Volt)
- $V_{T,p}$ Threshold Voltage of PMOS with Body Bias (Volt)
- V_{T0} Zero Bias Threshold Voltage (Volt)
- $V_{T0,n}$ Threshold Voltage of NMOS Without Body Bias (Volt)
- $V_{T0,p}$ Threshold Voltage of PMOS Without Body Bias (Volt)
- V_{th} Threshold Voltage (Volt)
- ζ_P Average Propagation Delay (Nanosecond)
- ζ_{PHL} Time for High to Low Transition of Output (Nanosecond)
- ζ_{PLH} Time for Low to High Transition of Output (Nanosecond)



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