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Concept

This purpose of this project is to design, implement, and simulate a two-bit ALU via CMOS transistors. The following block diagram below (figure-1) shows how to construct a two-bit ALU from two one-bit ALUs. The two-bit ALU shall be able to perform four basic operations: addition, AND, NOR, and XOR. The performed operation will be determined via the select lines.

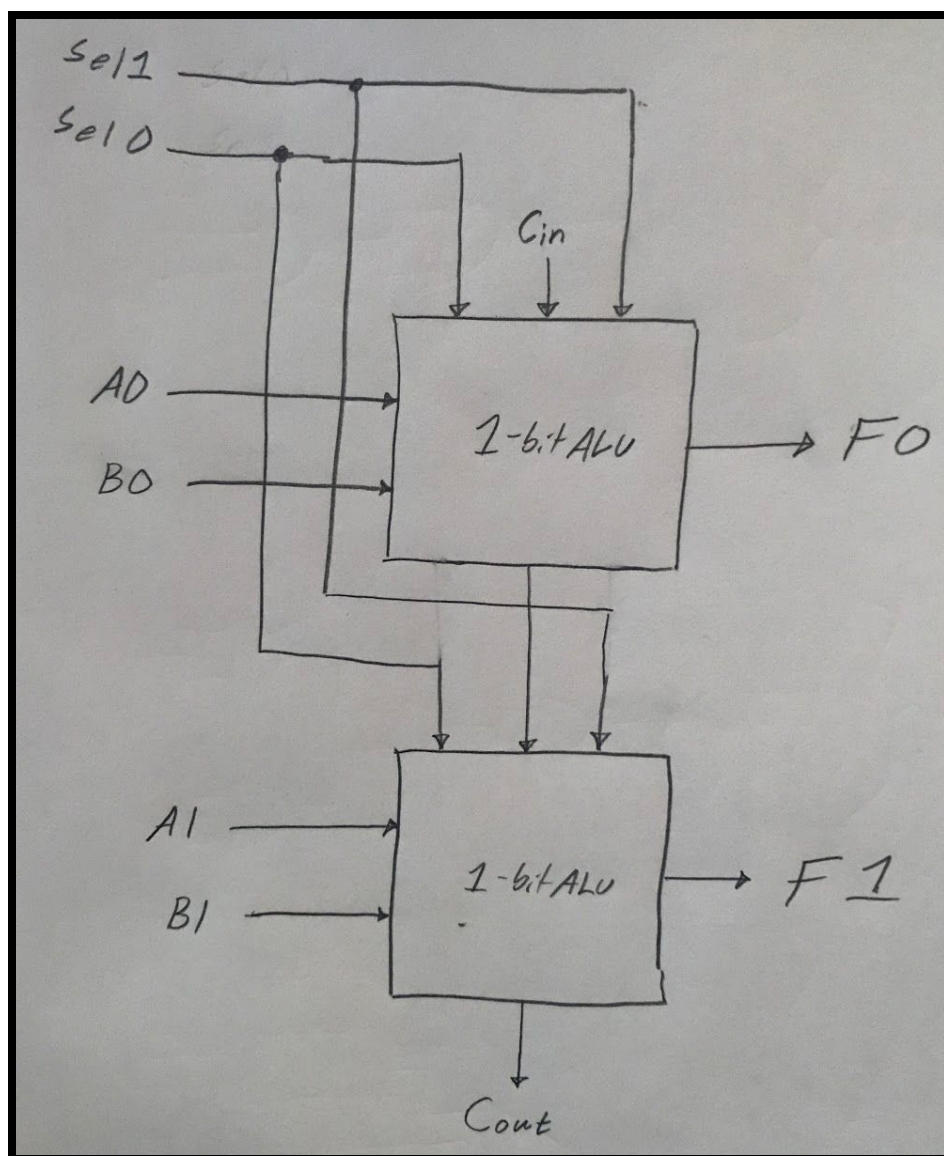


Figure-1: Two-Bit ALU Block Diagram

Design

As stated in the previous section, a two-bit ALU may be constructed from cascading two one-bit ALUs together, therefore, the first step is to design a single one-bit ALU. A one-bit ALU is composed of three units: an arithmetic unit to perform the addition (i.e., a full adder), a logic unit to perform the logical operations (i.e., AND, NOR, and XOR), and a 4:1 multiplexer to provide the output determined by two select lines. The following figure below (figure-2) shows this design of a one-bit ALU.

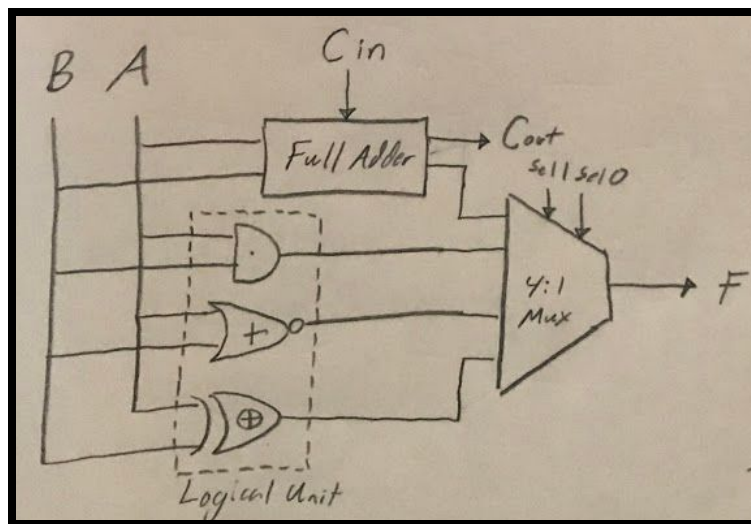


Figure-2: One-Bit ALU Design

The instruction set for this one-bit ALU design is laid out below in table-1.

INPUTS		OUTPUTS
SEL_0	SEL_1	Operation
0	0	Addition
0	1	AND
1	0	NOR
1	1	XOR

Table-1: Two-Bit ALU Instruction Set

One-Bit ALU Arithmetic Unit

Now that we have the one-bit ALU broken down into the three sub-modules (i.e., the arithmetic unit, the logical unit, and the multiplexer), we can start designing a one-bit full adder required for the arithmetic unit. We must start with the truth table for this module so that we may use k-maps to derive the optimized boolean algebra functions needed to layout the logic-gate design. The next figure (figure-3) lays out the truth tables and k-maps of the one-bit ALU.

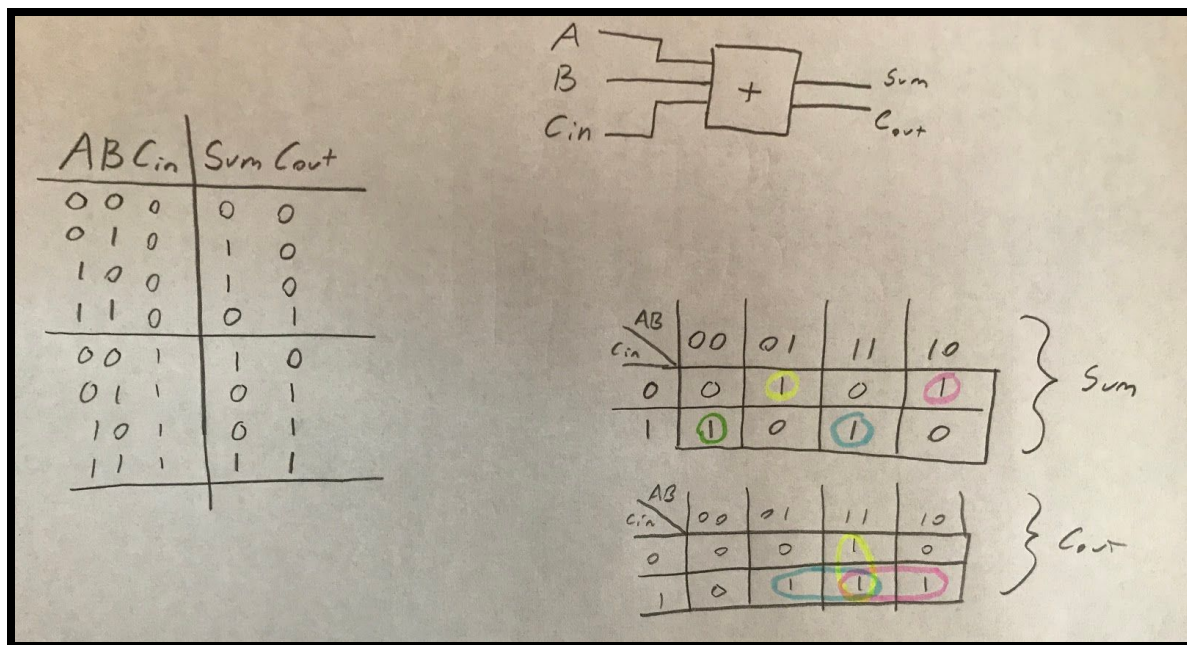


Figure-3: One-Bit Full Adder Truth Tables & K-Maps

Using the K-Maps we can optimize the functions to derive the needed logic gates, which is shown in the following figure (figure-4) on the next page. It details the operations performed to realize the sum and carry-out output variables for the one-bit full adder.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Sum} &= A'B'C + ABC + A'BC' + AB'C' \\
 &= C(A'B' + AB) + C'(A'B + AB') \\
 &= C(\overline{A'B + AB'}) + C'(A \oplus B) \\
 &= C(\overline{A \oplus B}) + C'(A \oplus B) \\
 &= A \oplus B \oplus C \\
 \\
 \text{C}_{out} &= AB + AC + BC \\
 &= AB + C(A + B) \\
 &= AB + C(A \oplus B) \\
 &= \overline{(\overline{AB})(\overline{C(A \oplus B)})}
 \end{aligned}$$

Figure-4: Optimized Boolean Algebra Expressions for One-Bit Full Adder

Now we can finally layout the logic gates to realize a one-bit full adder, as it requires three NAND gates, and two XOR gates. The logic gate design is shown below (figure-5).

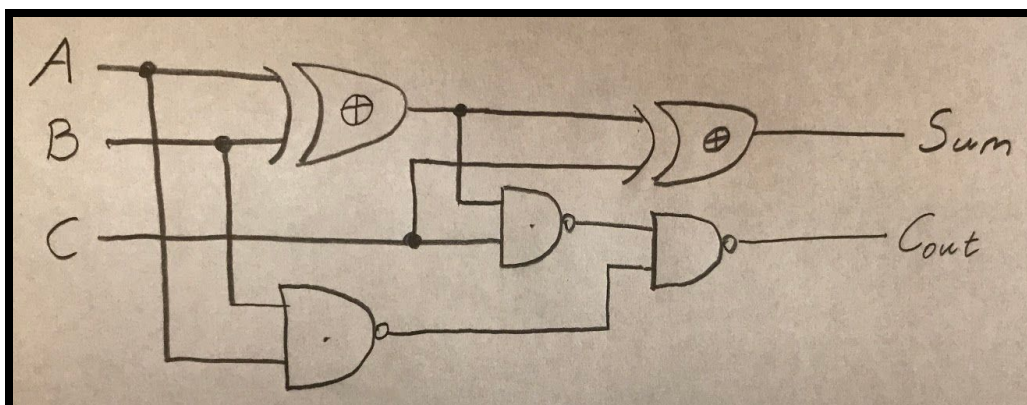


Figure-5: One-Bit Full Adder Logic-Gate Design

One-Bit ALU Multiplexer Unit

Moving onto the second sub-module for the one-bit ALU, we need to design the 4:1 multiplexer. For simplicity, we shall design this using all NAND logic-gates, and break it down into three groups of 2:1 multiplexers, where two select lines are responsible for determining which one of the four input signals will be the output. The breakdown of multiplexer groups are shown below in figure-6, and the logic gate representation follows in figure-7.

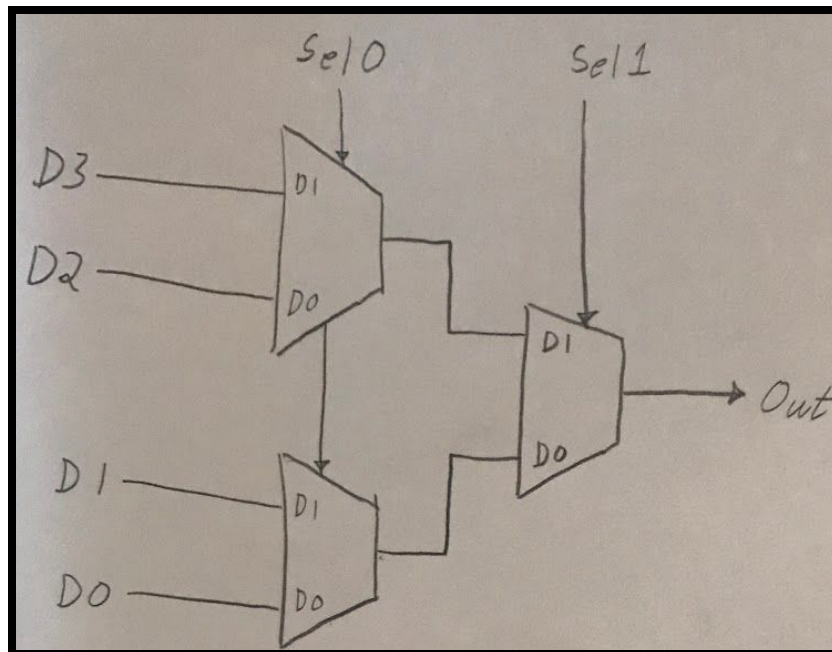


Figure-6: 4:1 Multiplexer Using 2:1 Multiplexers

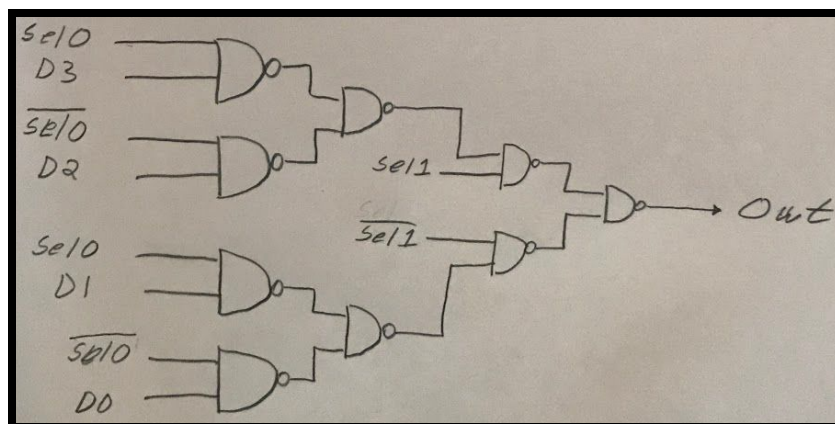


Figure-6: 4:1 Multiplexer Using NAND Logic-Gates

One-Bit ALU Logic Unit

Finally we are onto the third sub-module for the one-bit ALU, where we need to design the AND, NOR, and XOR logic gates. We must start by using the truth tables to describe the function in such a way that we can construct the layout of the design using CMOS transistors.

Firstly, we will design a NAND gate, as it is cheaper to use, we have constructed our multiplexer from them, and we can cascade two NAND gates together to get the functionality of a AND gate. We will also require a XOR gate layout. The truth tables for these logic gates are shown below in tables 2, and 3.

A	B	$(AB)'$
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Table-2: NAND Logic-Gate Truth Table

A	B	$(A\oplus B)$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Table-3: XOR Logic-Gate Truth Table

Now we may use these tables to derive an expression that allows us to implement the design from CMOS transistors. The following page details these expressions.

$$\overline{AB} = (AB)'$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \oplus B &= AB' + A'B \\ &= ((\overline{AB'}) (\overline{A'B}))' \\ &= ((A'+B)(A+B'))' \\ &= (A'B' + AB)' \end{aligned}$$

Figure-7: NAND Logic Derive to CMOS Form

Figure-8: XOR Logic Derive to CMOS Form

For simplicity, we will use NAND gates throughout and design our wanted NOR functional from the use of multiple NAND gates, as well as our AND gate. The following figure below show an AND gate composed of NAND gates (figure-9).

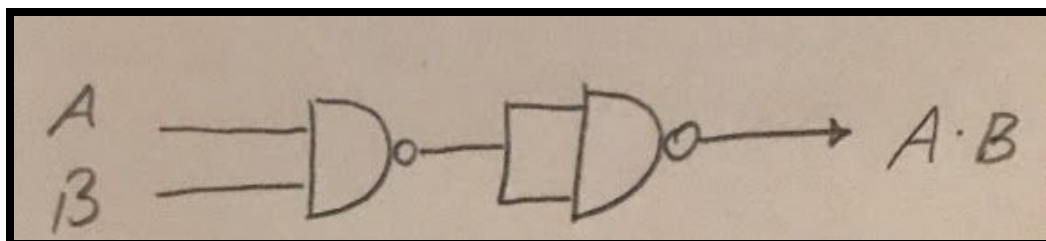


Figure-9: AND Gate Logic via NAND Gates

Likewise, the next figure below shows a NOR gate composed of NAND gates (figure-10).

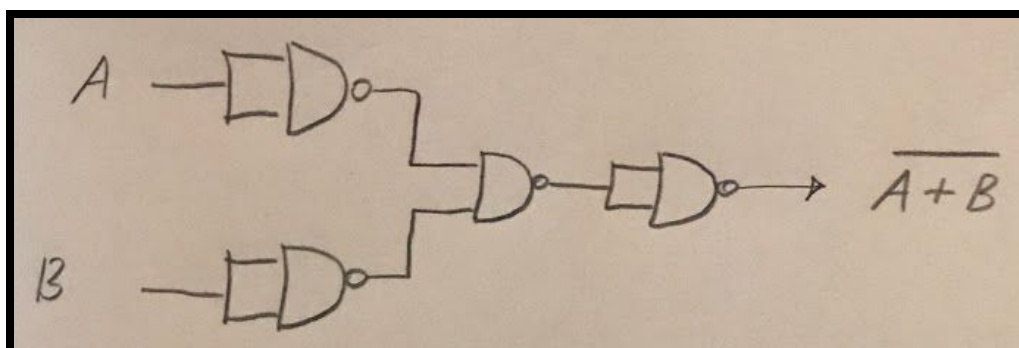


Figure-10: NOR Gate Logic via NAND Gates

Implementation

From the expressions detailed in the design section, we may now implement the CMOS configurations and stick figure diagrams from our needed logic-gates. Note that since we have simplified all of our modules and submodules into XOR and NAND gate designs, we only needed to implement these two gates before we can lay out the CMOS transistors to build our two-bit ALU.

Figures 11, and 12 detail the layout implementation for a NAND gate below.

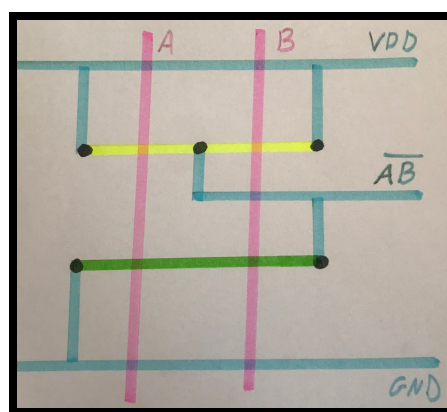
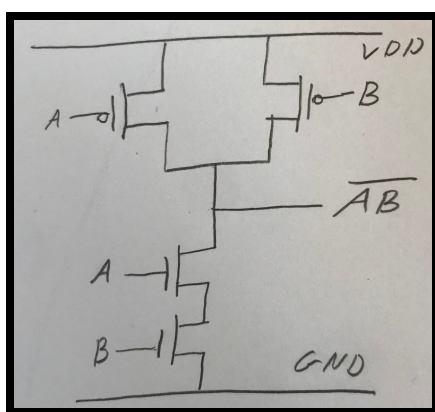


Figure-11: NAND Gate CMOS Implementation **Figure-12: NAND Gate CMOS Stick Diagram**

Figures 13, and 14 detail the layout implementation for an XOR gate below.

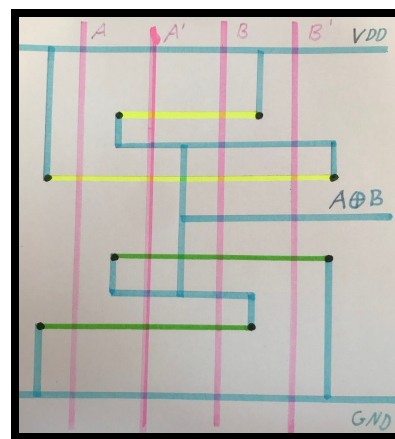
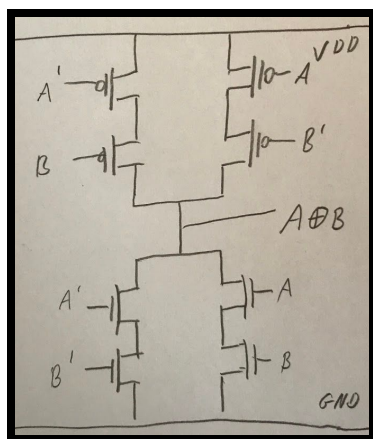


Figure-13: XOR Gate CMOS Implementation **Figure-14: XOR Gate CMOS Stick Diagram**

One-Bit ALU in L-Edit

We are now able to implement the transistor layouts in L-Edit to realize the full design. Starting with the one-bit ALU, you can see it has been broken up into two rows, and the left and right sides are divided by the select lines (figure-15).

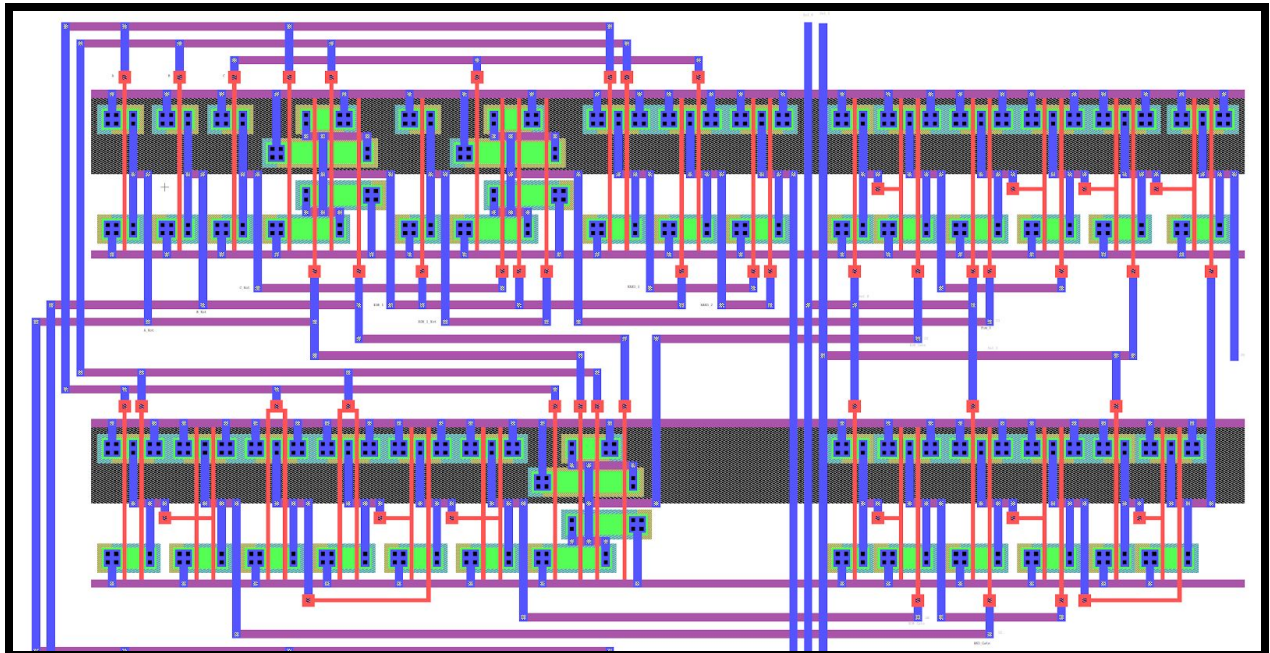


Figure-15: One-Bit ALU Layout in L-Edit

The left side of the top row is the one-bit full adder, and the left of the bottom row is the AND, NOR, and XOR gates laid out correspondingly. The right sides of the one-bit ALU show the 4:1 multiplexer implementation, as the outputs of the logic and arithmetic units are fed in as inputs, and the blue select lines in the middle dictate the operation given for the output.

The last step is to cascade two ALUs to complete our design and initial concept.

Two-Bit ALU in L-Edit

Finally, we arrive at the last layout that illustrates our two-bit ALU from the initial concept.

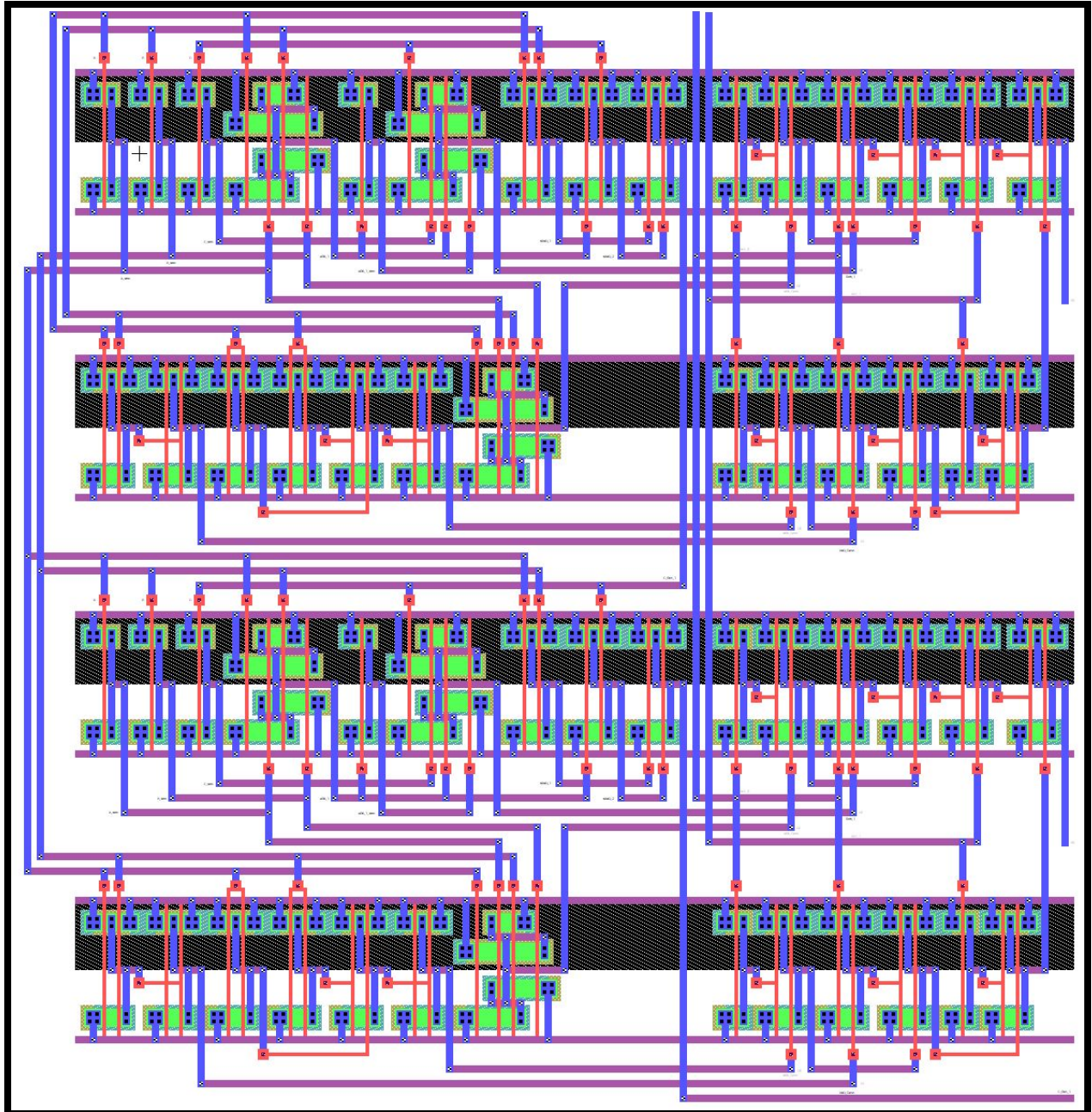


Figure-16: Two-Bit ALU Layout in L-Edit

Testing

The DRC check below (figures 17, and 18) shows that the two-bit ALU is verified to have been implemented corrected using the design rules for the transistor layouts.

```
DRC Errors in cell Cell0 of file C:\Users\RoderickLRenwick\Documents\03_mySchoolStuff\05_UMD_Fall_2019\ECE_413_VLSI
0 errors.
DRC Merge/Gen Layers Elapsed Time: 0.000000 seconds.
DRC Test Elapsed Time: 0.000000 seconds.
DRC Elapsed Time: 0 seconds.
```

Figure-17: DRC Error File

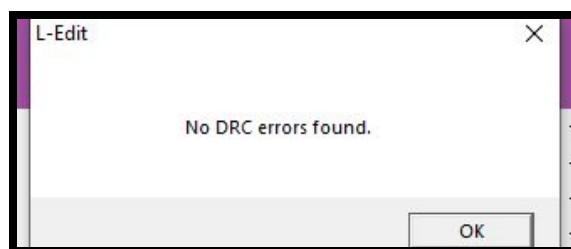


Figure-18: DRC Error Notification

The simulated waveforms below (figure-19) validates our two-bit ALU design as it was implemented in Valvado to run the circuit simulation. The code for the two-bit ALU written in Valvado is located in the following documentation section, detailing the test bench for the simulation as well.

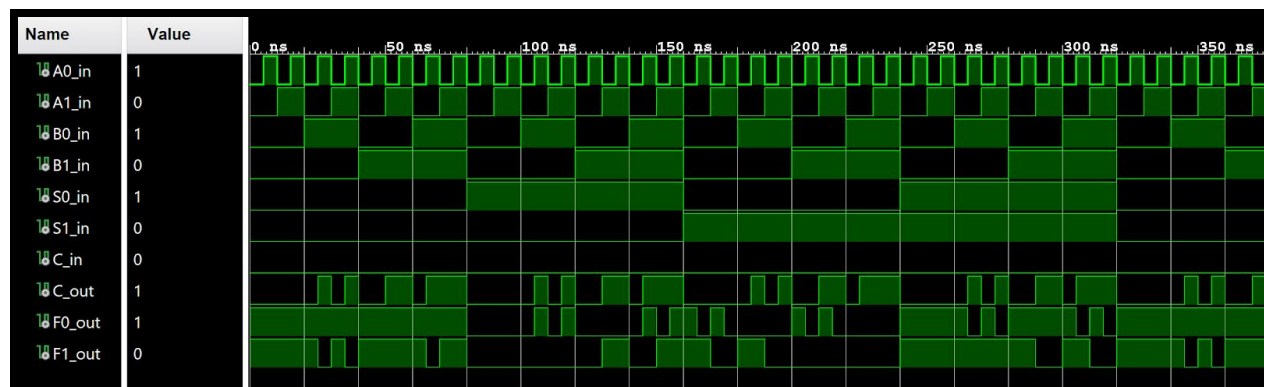


Figure-19: Resulting Waveforms of Two-Bit ALU Simulation

Documentation

The following figures show the implementation of the two-bit ALU through VHDL, simulated with Valvado. The breakdown follows the design steps, and the test bench is provided at the end.

```

1 |-----|
2 |-----|
3 | library IEEE;
4 | use IEEE.STD_LOGIC_1164.ALL;
5 |
6 | library UNISIM;
7 | use UNISIM.VComponents.all;
8 |
9 | entity nor2 is                -- NAND_GATE ENTITY DECLARATION
10 |     port (
11 |         i0, i1 : in std_logic;
12 |         o : out std_logic
13 |     );
14 | end nor2;
15 |
16 | architecture behaviour of nor2 is -- NAND_GATE ARCHITECTURE DECLARATION
17 | begin
18 |     o <= not ( i0 or i1 );      -- NAND_GATE BEHAVIORAL STATEMENT
19 | end behaviour;
20 |-----|
21 |-----|

```

```

20 |-----|
21 |-----|
22 | library IEEE;
23 | use IEEE.STD_LOGIC_1164.ALL;
24 |
25 | library UNISIM;
26 | use UNISIM.VComponents.all;
27 |
28 | entity nand2 is              -- NAND_GATE ENTITY DECLARATION
29 |     port (
30 |         i0, i1 : in std_logic;
31 |         o : out std_logic
32 |     );
33 | end nand2;
34 |
35 | architecture behaviour of nand2 is -- NAND_GATE ARCHITECTURE DECLARATION
36 | begin
37 |     o <= not ( i0 and i1 );    -- NAND_GATE BEHAVIORAL STATEMENT
38 | end behaviour;
39 |-----|
40 |-----|

```

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39 |-----|
40 |-----|
41 | library IEEE;
42 | use IEEE.STD_LOGIC_1164.ALL;
43 |
44 | library UNISIM;
45 | use UNISIM.VComponents.all;
46 |
47 | entity and2 is              -- NAND_GATE ENTITY DECLARATION
48 |     port (
49 |         i0, i1 : in std_logic;
50 |         o : out std_logic
51 |     );
52 | end and2;
53 |
54 | architecture behaviour of and2 is -- NAND_GATE ARCHITECTURE DECLARATION
55 | begin
56 |     o <= ( i0 and i1 );      -- NAND_GATE BEHAVIORAL STATEMENT
57 | end behaviour;
58 |-----|
59 |-----|

```

```

58 -----
59 -----
60 library IEEE;
61 use IEEE.STD_LOGIC_1164.ALL;
62
63 library UNISIM;
64 use UNISIM.VComponents.all;
65
66 entity xor2 is                                -- XOR_GATE ENTITY DECLARATION
67     port (
68         i0, i1 : in std_logic;
69         o : out std_logic
70     );
71 end xor2;
72
73 architecture behaviour of xor2 is            -- XOR_GATE ARCHITECTURE DECLARATION
74 begin
75     o <= not ( ( not ( ( not ( i0 and i1 ) ) and i0 ) ) and ( not ( not ( i0 and i1 ) ) and i1 ) ); -- XOR_GATE BEHAVIORAL
76 end behaviour;
77 -----
78 -----

```

```

77 -----
78 -----
79 library IEEE;
80 use IEEE.STD_LOGIC_1164.ALL;
81
82 library UNISIM;
83 use UNISIM.VComponents.all;
84
85 entity one_bit_full_adder is                  -- XOR_GATE ENTITY DECLARATION
86     Port (
87         X_in : in STD_LOGIC;
88         Y_in : in STD_LOGIC;
89         C_in : in STD_LOGIC;
90         S_out : out STD_LOGIC;
91         C_out : out STD_LOGIC
92     );
93 end one_bit_full_adder;
94
95 architecture struct of one_bit_full_adder is -- XOR_GATE ARCHITECTURE DECLARATION
96
97     component xor2
98     port ( i0, i1 : in std_logic; o : out std_logic );
99     end component;
100
101     component nand2
102     port ( i0, i1 : in std_logic; o : out std_logic );
103     end component;

```

```

104
105     -- Internal Signals Declarations
106     signal xor0 : std_logic;
107     signal nand0 : std_logic;
108     signal nand1 : std_logic;
109
110 begin
111
112     -- Component Instantiations Statements
113     u0 : nand2 port map ( i0 => X_in, i1 => Y_in, o => nand0 );
114     u1 : nand2 port map ( i0 => xor0, i1 => C_in, o => nand1 );
115     u2 : nand2 port map ( i0 => nand0, i1 => nand1, o => C_out );
116     u3 : xor2 port map ( i0 => X_in, i1 => Y_in, o => xor0 );
117     u4 : xor2 port map ( i0 => xor0, i1 => C_in, o => S_out );
118
119 end struct;
120 -----
121 -----

```

```

20 -----
21 -----
22 library IEEE;
23 use IEEE.STD_LOGIC_1164.ALL;
24
25 library UNISIM;
26 use UNISIM.VComponents.all;
27
28 entity four_one_mux is          -- XOR_GATE ENTITY DECLARATION
29     Port (
30         D0 : in STD_LOGIC;
31         D1 : in STD_LOGIC;
32         D2 : in STD_LOGIC;
33         D3 : in STD_LOGIC;
34         S0 : in STD_LOGIC;
35         S1 : in STD_LOGIC;
36         M0 : out STD_LOGIC
37     );
38 end four_one_mux;
39
40 architecture struct of four_one_mux is  -- XOR_GATE ARCHITECTURE DECLARATION
41
42     component nand2
43     port ( i0, i1 : in std_logic; o : out std_logic );
44     end component;
45

```

```

46     -- Internal Signals Declarations
47     signal not_S0 : std_logic;
48     signal not_S1 : std_logic;
49
50     signal nand_0 : std_logic;
51     signal nand_1 : std_logic;
52     signal nand_2 : std_logic;
53     signal nand_3 : std_logic;
54     signal nand_4 : std_logic;
55     signal nand_5 : std_logic;
56     signal nand_6 : std_logic;
57     signal nand_7 : std_logic;

```

```

59 begin
60
61     not_S0 <= not S0;
62     not_S1 <= not S1;
63
64     -- Component Instantiations Statements
65     u0 : nand2 port map ( i0 => S0, i1 => D3, o => nand_0 );
66     u1 : nand2 port map ( i0 => not_S0, i1 => D2, o => nand_1 );
67     u2 : nand2 port map ( i0 => S0, i1 => D1, o => nand_2 );
68     u3 : nand2 port map ( i0 => not_S0, i1 => D0, o => nand_3 );
69
70     u4 : nand2 port map ( i0 => nand_0, i1 => nand_1, o => nand_4 );
71     u5 : nand2 port map ( i0 => nand_2, i1 => nand_3, o => nand_5 );
72
73     u6 : nand2 port map ( i0 => nand_4, i1 => S1, o => nand_6 );
74     u7 : nand2 port map ( i0 => nand_5, i1 => not_S1, o => nand_7 );
75
76     u8 : nand2 port map ( i0 => nand_6, i1 => nand_7, o => M0 );
77
78 end struct;
79 -----
80 -----

```



```

79 -----
80 -----
81 library IEEE;
82 use IEEE.STD_LOGIC_1164.ALL;
83
84 library UNISIM;
85 use UNISIM.VComponents.all;
86
87 entity one_bit_alu is          -- 2-bit adder ENTITY DECLARATION
88     Port (
89         X0_in : in STD_LOGIC;
90         Y0_in : in STD_LOGIC;
91         C_in  : in STD_LOGIC;
92         C_out : out STD_LOGIC;
93         S0_in : in STD_LOGIC;
94         S1_in : in STD_LOGIC;
95         S_out : out STD_LOGIC
96     );
97 end one_bit_alu;
98
99 architecture struct of one_bit_alu is -- 2-bit adder ARCHITECTURE DECLARATION
100
101     component one_bit_full_adder          -- NAND_GATE Component Declaration
102     port (
103         X_in, Y_in, C_in: in std_logic;
104         C_out, S_out : out std_logic
105     );
106 end component;
107

```

```

108     component xor2
109     port ( i0, i1 : in std_logic; o : out std_logic );
110 end component;
111
112     component nor2
113     port ( i0, i1 : in std_logic; o : out std_logic );
114 end component;
115
116     component and2
117     port ( i0, i1 : in std_logic; o : out std_logic );
118 end component;
119
120     component four_one_mux
121     port ( D0, D1, D2, D3, S0, S1 : in std_logic; M0 : out std_logic );
122 end component;
123
124     -- Internal Signals Declarations
125     signal D0 : std_logic;
126     signal D1 : std_logic;
127     signal D2 : std_logic;
128     signal D3 : std_logic;

```

```

129
130 begin
131
132     -- Component Instantiations Statements
133     u0 : one_bit_full_adder port map ( X_in => X0_in, Y_in => Y0_in, C_in => C_in, C_out => C_out, S_out => D0 );
134     u1 : and2 port map ( i0 => X0_in, i1 => Y0_in, o => D1 );
135     u2 : nor2 port map ( i0 => X0_in, i1 => Y0_in, o => D2 );
136     u3 : xor2 port map ( i0 => X0_in, i1 => Y0_in, o => D3 );
137     u4 : four_one_mux port map ( D0 => D0, D1 => D1, D2 => D2, D3 => D3, S0 => S0_in, S1 => S1_in, M0 => S_out);
138
139 end struct;
140 -----
141 -----

```

```

240 -----
241 -----
242 library IEEE;
243 use IEEE.STD_LOGIC_1164.ALL;
244
245 library UNISIM;
246 use UNISIM.VComponents.all;
247
248 entity two_bit_alu is          -- 2-bit adder ENTITY DECLARATION
249     Port (
250         A0_in : in STD_LOGIC;
251         B0_in : in STD_LOGIC;
252         A1_in : in STD_LOGIC;
253         B1_in : in STD_LOGIC;
254         S0_in : in STD_LOGIC;
255         S1_in : in STD_LOGIC;
256         C_in  : in STD_LOGIC;
257         C_out : out STD_LOGIC;
258         F0_out : out STD_LOGIC;
259         F1_out : out STD_LOGIC
260     );
261 end two_bit_alu;

```

```

263 architecture struct of two_bit_alu is -- 2-bit adder ARCHITECTURE DECLARATION
264
265     component one_bit_alu
266     port (
267         X0_in : in STD_LOGIC;
268         Y0_in : in STD_LOGIC;
269         C_in  : in STD_LOGIC;
270         C_out : out STD_LOGIC;
271         S0_in : in STD_LOGIC;
272         S1_in : in STD_LOGIC;
273         S_out : out STD_LOGIC
274     );
275 end component;
276
277 -- Internal Signals Declarations
278 signal c_out_signal : std_logic;
279
280 begin
281
282     -- Component Instantiations Statements
283     u0 : one_bit_alu port map ( X0_in => A0_in, Y0_in => B0_in, C_in => C_in, C_out => c_out_signal, S0_in => S0_in, S1_in => S1_in, S
284     u1 : one_bit_alu port map ( X0_in => A1_in, Y0_in => B1_in, C_in => c_out_signal, C_out => C_out, S0_in => S0_in, S1_in => S1_in, S
285
286 end struct;
287 -----
288 -----

```

The last two figures displayed below are of the test bench file used for the simulation.

```

1  library IEEE;
2  use IEEE.STD_LOGIC_1164.ALL;
3
4  library UNISIM;
5  use UNISIM.VComponents.all;
6
7  entity two_bit_alu_tb is
8  end two_bit_alu_tb;
9
10 architecture two_bit_alu_tb of two_bit_alu_tb is
11
12     component two_bit_alu is
13         Port (
14             A0_in  : in STD_LOGIC;
15             B0_in  : in STD_LOGIC;
16             A1_in  : in STD_LOGIC;
17             B1_in  : in STD_LOGIC;
18             S0_in  : in STD_LOGIC;
19             S1_in  : in STD_LOGIC;
20             C_in   : in STD_LOGIC;
21             C_out  : out STD_LOGIC;
22             F0_out : out STD_LOGIC;
23             F1_out : out STD_LOGIC
24         );
25     end component;

```

```

27     signal A0_in : std_logic := '0';
28     signal A1_in : std_logic := '0';
29     signal B0_in : std_logic := '0';
30     signal B1_in : std_logic := '0';
31     signal S0_in : std_logic := '0';
32     signal S1_in : std_logic := '0';
33     signal C_in  : std_logic := '0';
34     signal C_out : std_logic;
35     signal F0_out : std_logic;
36     signal F1_out : std_logic;
37
38     begin
39
40     UUT : two_bit_alu
41         port map (
42             A0_in => A0_in, A1_in => A1_in, B0_in => B0_in, B1_in => B1_in, C_in => C_in, S0_in => S0_in, S1_in => S1_in,
43             C_out => C_out, F0_out => F0_out, F1_out => F1_out
44         );
45
46     A0_in <= NOT A0_in after 5 ns;
47     A1_in <= NOT A1_in after 10 ns;
48     B0_in <= NOT B0_in after 20 ns;
49     B1_in <= NOT B1_in after 40 ns;
50     S0_in <= NOT S0_in after 80 ns;
51     S1_in <= NOT S1_in after 160 ns;
52
53 end two_bit_alu_tb;

```