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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

Single Event Effects (SEE) are caused by the interaction of ionizing particles with semiconductor devices. The passing of an ionizing particle through a semiconductor device generates electron-hole pairs (ehps) along the track path and may be collected at the terminals of a device. Linear Energy Transfer (LET) is defined as the energy loss per unit path length, normalized by the density of the material. LET has units of MeV/mg/cm². A calculation of the charge deposited per unit length can be determined if the LET of the ion, average energy needed to create an ehp for a material, and density of the material are known [1]. For silicon, an ion with a LET of 97 MeV/mg/cm² will deposit 1pC of charge per micron length of the ion track [2].

The charge collection process in semiconductor devices normally occur in reversedbiased p/n junctions due to the presence of the high electric field in the reverse-biased junction depletion region (drift collection). Diffusion collection process is due to the presence of carriers outside of the depletion region that can diffuse back toward the junction. Bipolar amplification process is another collection mechanism. This collection mechanism is due to a lowering of the body potential and turns-on of a parasitic bipolar transistor for CMOS submicron technologies [3]

Single Event Upsets (SEU) occur when the SEE leads to a logic gate switch, voltage transients, or alteration of stored information. The first reported instance of SEU was in 1975 by Binder, et al [4]. SEU hardening techniques have been developed over the years

and a circuit-level hardening approach (i.e., Dual Interlocked Storage Cell - DICE latch) [5] is examined in this thesis.

This thesis makes use of Technology Computer-Aided Design (TCAD) and circuit simulations to determine and analyze single event vulnerabilities of a 130 nm CMOS technology with the results verified through heavy ion experimental data.

A significant single event issue examined in this thesis is charge sharing between multiple nodes. Scaling technology can increase the charge collection at multiple nodes from a single ion hit due to decreased spacing of devices. The collection of charge at multiple nodes (i.e. charge sharing) presents layout challenges for existing single event circuit-level mitigation methods (e.g. DICE latch and Triple Modular Redundancy – TMR). This thesis discusses the charge sharing effect and examines layout techniques to help retain the hardness of circuit-level mitigation techniques.

Chapter II discusses the single event response of a single device to an ion strike and also takes into account loading effects for this technology node. Chapter III explains the charge sharing effects and main mechanisms responsible for these effects. It also covers techniques to mitigate the charge sharing effects for the 130nm technology node. Finally, Chapter IV shows how the charge sharing effect can affect a hardened circuit (i. e., DICE latch) and reduce the LET threshold as seen in heavy-ion exposure data. Also, it discusses how a combination of circuit and TCAD simulations was used to explain the unexpected low LET threshold and how the hardness of the DICE latch can be maintained.

CHAPTER II

CHARGE COLLECTION

Modeling and Calibration of 130 nm CMOS Devices

It is important to be able to accurately model the electrical characteristics of CMOS devices so they can be used in Single Event (SE) simulations. The SE simulations help to reduce the time and cost associated with SE testing while accurately predicting the SE response of CMOS devices to an ion strike.

TCAD is the simulation of manufacturing processes and device performance. By solving the transport equations for electrons and holes, device simulators predict the operating conditions of a device based on the given structure and doping profiles [6]. PISCES[7] and MINIMOS[8] are two examples of device simulators. Device simulators can be useful in simulating DC operating point, AC small-signal, RF harmonic balance for large signal, and switching transients [6].

Sentaurus-DEVICE is a modern device simulator that includes a special module for simulating single events and is the TCAD simulator used for this work. Sentaurus-DEVICE is also a mixed-mode simulator, therefore, it allows for the addition of circuit elements in compact models around the simulated TCAD structure. Mixed-mode simulators [9] allow for the examination of the performance of a device in a larger environment and can be used to determine the vulnerability of a circuit to single event strikes as shown by Dodd, et al [10].

The modeling and calibration were carried out on IBM 8RF twin well option 130 nm

NMOS and PMOS devices using 3-D TCAD structures developed with Synopsis DEVISE and DESSIS simulators using structural information available from multiple sources [11, 12]. The 3D TCAD structures of both NMOS and PMOS devices are shown in Figs. 1 and 2. A 2D cross-section showing the location of the Shallow Trench Isolation (STI), well implants, Threshold Voltage Implants (V_T), and source and drain doping profiles are shown for both NMOS and PMOS in Figs. 3 and 4. The well contacts are not shown in the 2D cross-sections because the cross-section cut was along the width of the device.

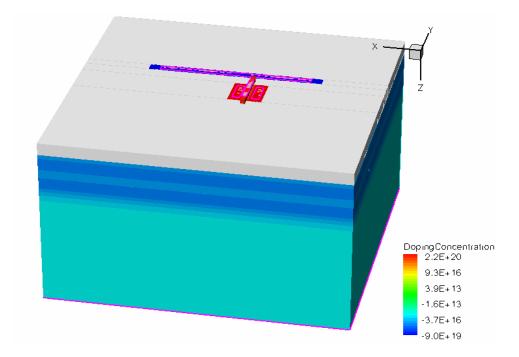


Figure 1: 3D TCAD structure of IBM 8RF NMOS device.

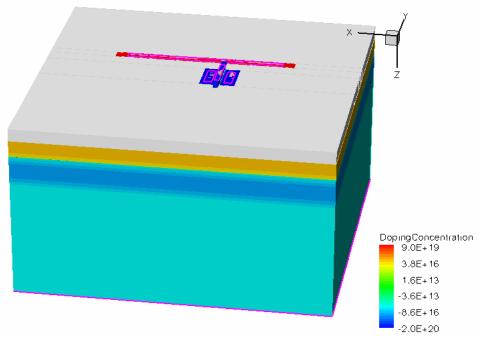


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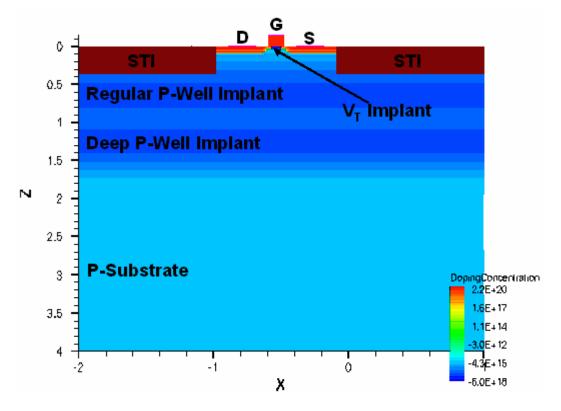


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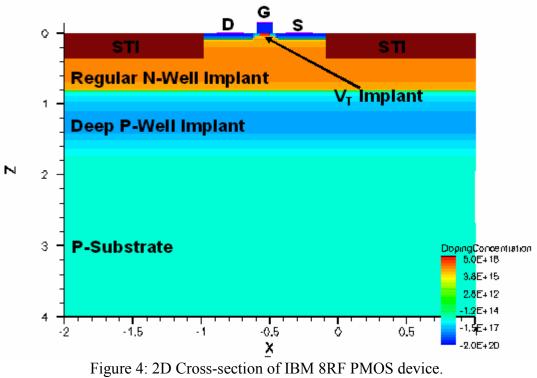


Table 1: Device properties for the calibrated IBM 8RF NMOS and PMOS devices

Device Property	NMOS	PMOS
W/L	1 μm/ 130 nm	1 μm/ 130 nm
Gate oxide thickness (t _{ox})	2.5 nm	2.5 nm
Substrate doping	1e16 (Boron)	1e16 (Boron)
Source and Drain doping	2e20 (Arsenic)	2e20 (Boron)
Lightly Doped Drain (LDD) doping	2.5e19 (Arsenic)	2.5e19 (Boron)
Threshold Voltage (V _T) Implant	6e18 (Boron)	5e18 (Arsenic)
Deep P-Well	1e18 (Boron)	1e18 (Boron)
Regular N-Well	-	1e17 (Arsenic)
Regular P-Well	8e17 (Boron)	-
Shallow Trench Isolation depth	0.36 µm	0.36 µm
Sidewall Doping	5e19 (Boron)	5e19 (Arsenic)

Table 1 is a list of the device properties for the calibrated devices. The devices were calibrated by adjusting the LDD depth, the V_T implant, and the depth of the source and drain doping, to match electrical characteristics (I_d - V_g and I_d - V_d curves) obtained from the IBM PDK 130nm compact models. Figures 5 and 6 show a good agreement between the 3D TCAD calibrated I_d - V_g curves and the I_d - V_g curves obtained from the IBM 130nm compact models. Figures 7 and 8 show a good agreement between the 3D TCAD calibrated I_d - V_d curves obtained from the IBM 130nm compact models. All simulations were conducted using the ACCRE computing cluster [13].

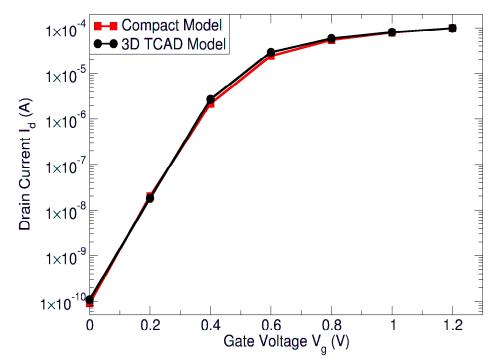


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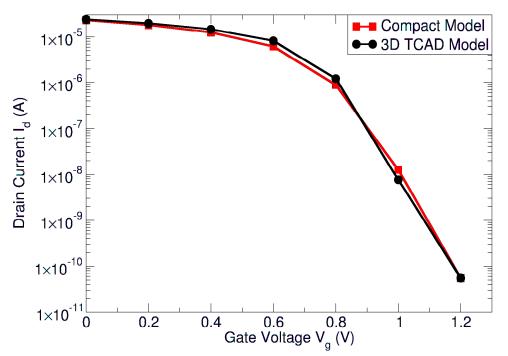


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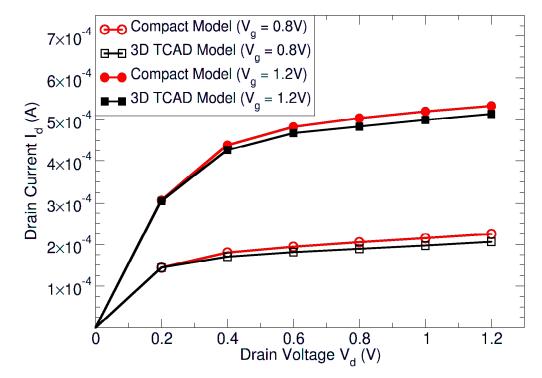


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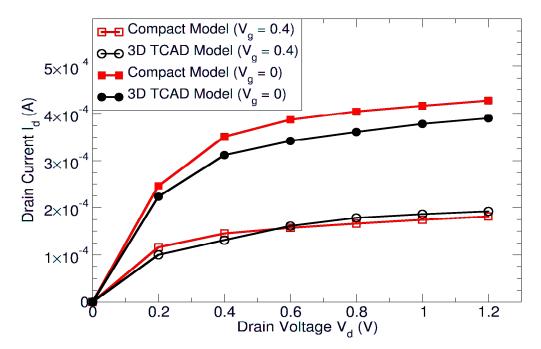


Figure 8: PMOS I_dV_d curves of 3D TCAD model vs. IBM 130nm Compact Model.

Effective Collection Depth

A factor that affects the total amount of charge collected is the effective collection depth [14]. Any track depth that goes beyond the effective collection depth will not result in additional charge collected at the hit node or at adjacent nodes. Consequently, the smaller the effective charge collection depth, the smaller the amount of charge collected by the hit device and adjacent devices.

In order to determine the effective collection depth for both NMOS and PMOS devices, 3-D TCAD simulations were carried out on both NMOS and PMOS devices without the source, striking the same location and varying the ion-strike depth as shown in Fig. 9. Absence of the source ensures that the possibility of the parasitic bipolar action turn-on will not interfere with the charge collected, since the charge collection is strictly a p-n junction collection.

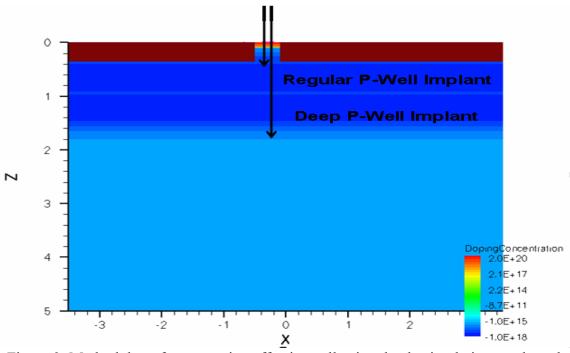


Figure 9: Methodology for measuring effective collection depth, simulation conducted with ion strikes of varying depths.

In the PMOS device, the n-well/p+-deep-implant-well junction acts as a natural barrier to charge collection and is located at ~0.9 μ m from the surface of the device (see Fig. 4). As a result, all charge outside the n-well diffuse out, recombine, or are collected by the substrate contact. Figure 10 shows that for PMOS devices, collected charge increases linearly until the strike depth of ~0.9 μ m beyond which it starts to saturate. The 3-D TCAD NMOS simulations results shown in Fig. 11 and microbeam experimental data shown in Fig. 12[15] show the effective collection depth for the NMOS to be ~1.2 μ m. The presence of the retrograde p-well and the p+ implant help limit the charge collection of the NMOS device [16]. It should be noted that the collected charge for the NMOS device does not have the sharp onset of saturation that is easily observed in PMOS device

and with increase in LET; there is a slight increase in the collection depth. With the knowledge of the effective collection depth, one can easily calculate the amount of charge deposited and the LET being used in single event circuit simulations, and the effective collection depth is useful for performing cross-section calculations.

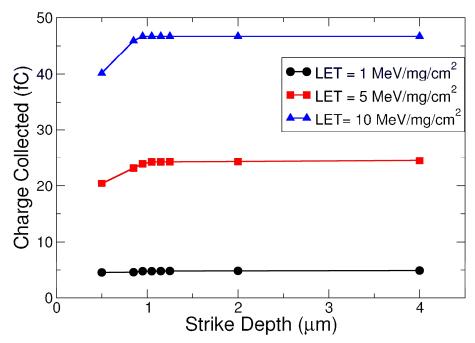


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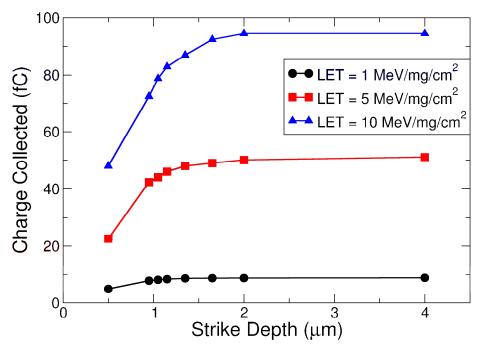


Figure 11: Simulation results show that the effective collection depth for NMOS is ~1.2 μ m.

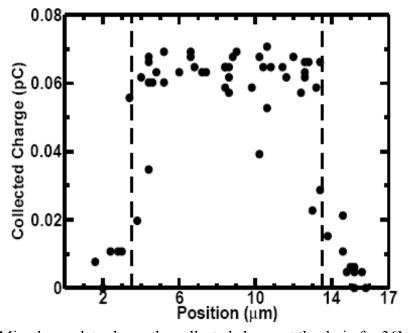


Figure 12: Microbeam data shows the collected charge at the drain for 36MeV oxygen ions (7 MeV/mg/cm²) normally incident to the surface. The active diffusion is bounded by the dotted lines and extends from 3.5 μ m to 13.5 μ m. From these data, a charge collection depth of 1 μ m was estimated, after Tipton, et al., [15].

Parasitic Bipolar Effect

Several basic mechanisms affect charge transport and charge collection after an ion hit at a circuit node. Much work has been done to estimate the charge collected by a single junction [1]. The total charge collected is the sum of drift, diffusion, and bipolar amplification components.

For CMOS technologies, it has been shown that parasitic bipolar action affects the collected charge [3, 17], and with decreasing gate length, the bipolar current gain increases [18]. The lateral parasitic bipolar transistor is formed by the drain, channel, and source region as shown in Figure 13. The drain acts as the collector, the body as the base, and the source as the emitter for the parasitic bipolar transistor.

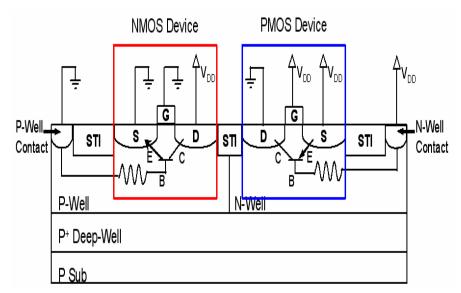


Figure 13: The NMOS device has a lateral parasitic npn bipolar transistor; the PMOS device has a lateral parasitic pnp bipolar transistor.

In simulations, the charge contribution due to bipolar action can be distinguished from the total charge collection by removing the source (emitter for parasitic bipolar transistor) junction from the simulation, thereby leaving only one p-n junction to collect charge by drift and diffusion.

To examine the parasitic bipolar effect for this technology node, 3-D TCAD simulations are conducted for individual PMOS and NMOS devices. The SE simulations were conducted using devices with and without the source implant (i.e., with and without the emitter junction for the parasitic bipolar transistor) for the same LET and hit location. The contacts for the n-well and p-well implants are located at the top of the devices and are 0.28 µm away from the devices, and the substrate contact was located at the bottom of the devices. The location of the well contacts represents the minimum parasitic bipolar amplification because of the reduced resistance for current flow as described by Olson in [19]. Due to the area of the structure and presence of the p+-deep-implant-well, the location of the substrate contact has no effect on the parasitic bipolar effect. The difference in the charge collected at a node with and without the source implant for individual PMOS and NMOS devices is shown in Fig. 14.

The PMOS device shows high parasitic bipolar amplification compared to the NMOS device due to a voltage collapse in the n-well during the charge collection process. This n-well voltage collapse has also been reported by other researchers [19, 20]. Parasitic bipolar amplification is significant for PMOS devices because the electrons generated from the ion strike are confined to the n-well region and this in turn drops the n-well potential, thereby forward biasing the parasitic base-emitter junction and causing the significant parasitic bipolar amplification. The bipolar amplification is not as significant in the p-well because the holes can diffuse out over a larger area.

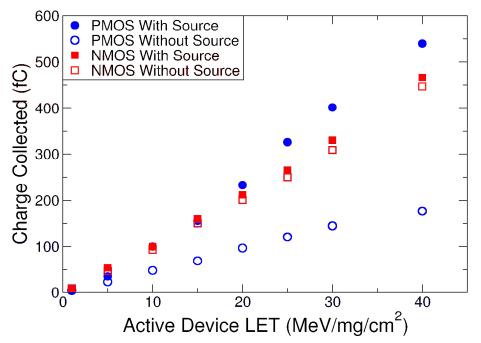


Figure 14: Parasitic bipolar transistor effect for individual devices with increase in LET.

Single Event Effects in a 130 nm D Flip-Flop

In order to examine the single event charge collection of the device *in situ* in the circuit to properly account for loading effects of complementary devices and capacitance of adjacent stages, a D Flip-Flop is examined in a mixed-mode simulation. The D flip-flop is edge-triggered and the output of the Flip-Flop tracks the input when the clock goes high. The circuit of the D flip-flop circuit is part of DARPA Radiation Hardening By Design (RHBD) program and is shown in Figure 15 [21]. The unhardened nature of the D flip-flop makes it susceptible to low LET upsets. Experiments conducted at low LET ions at Berkeley Laboratory on a shift register made up of an array of D flip-flops showed that the D flip-flop is very vulnerable to single event upsets as seen in Figure 16 [21]. The ions used were Argon, Copper, Xenon, and Krypton with LET ranging from 3.45 to 62 MeV/mg/cm². The angles used for exposure were 0°, 45°, and 60° from normal.

Using double exponential, time dependent current pulses described by Massengill in [1], Spectre simulations were conducted on the IBM 8RF D flip-flop to determine the devices and nodes most susceptible to upset. The double exponential, time dependent current pulse used had a rise time of 7 ps and fall time of 200 ps, the peak current was adjusted accordingly to vary the charge deposited on the node from 1 fC to 100 fC. The Spectre simulations showed NMOS MN16 (circled in Fig. 15) to be one of the most sensitive nodes. Next, a 3D TCAD model of MN16 was used in a mixed-mode simulation. In a mixed-mode simulation, one device is simulated in TCAD (MN16), and the other devices were electrically connected to the TCAD device and simulated as IBM PDK 130 nm compact models. The mixed-mode simulation was conducted using an LET of 3.45 MeV/mg/cm² at an angle of 60°.

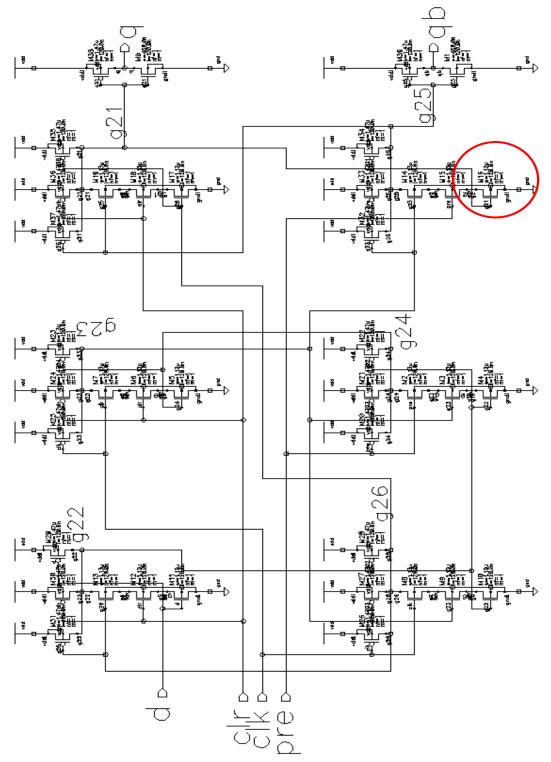


Figure 15: Boeing Standard D Flip-Flop for 2005 test chip, the circled device is the sensitive NMOS device MN16.

Also a simulation was conducted using a standalone TCAD transistor connected directly to the power rail to provide a comparison of the ion strike effects with and without loading. A comparison of the simulation with and without loading effects shows that there is a significant difference in the peak currents as seen in Fig. 17. However, Fig. 18 shows that the total amount of charge collected is approximately the same for simulations with and without loading effects. Also from the mixed-mode simulation it was determined that the critical charge needed to cause an upset in the D flip-flop is 45 fC as seen in Fig. 18. The waveforms generated from the mixed-mode simulation are shown in Fig. 19.

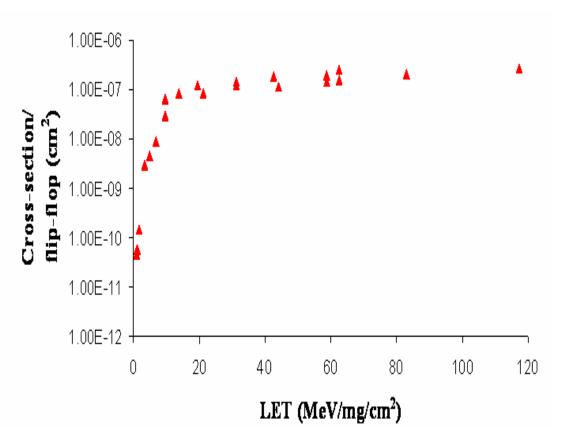


Figure 16: D flip-flop cross-section, after Baze, et al., [21].

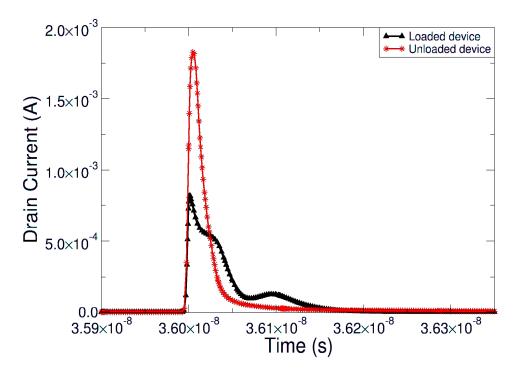


Figure 17: Current pulse for MN16 drain with and without loading effects.

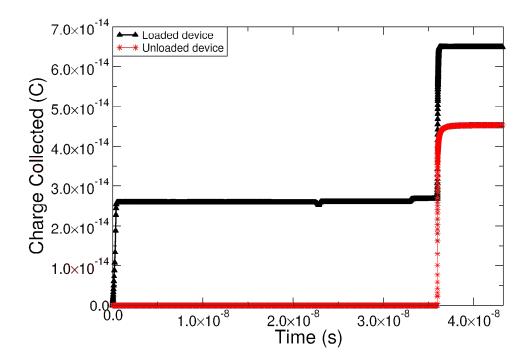


Figure 18: Charge collection for MN16 drain with and without loading effects.

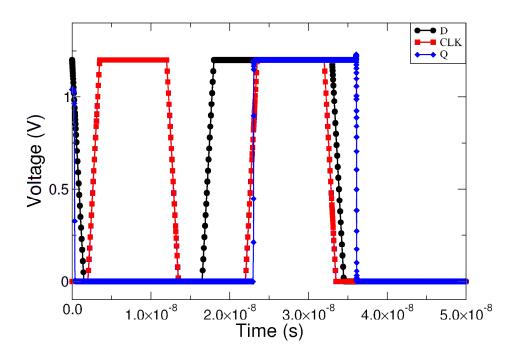


Figure 19: Waveforms from the mixed-mode simulation of the D Flip-flop: The state of the input signal is clocked in and held at the output at every clock rising edge but due to the ion strike that occur at 36 ns, the output goes low.

CHAPTER III

CHARGE SHARING

Introduction

The amount of charge required to represent a logic HIGH state in CMOS digital circuits has been reduced dramatically with the scaling of supply voltage and nodal capacitances in semiconductor technology generations, making single events increasingly problematic. Circuit hardening approaches, such as Triple Mode Redundancy (TMR) [22] have been employed to address this issue; however many of these techniques are designed to mitigate effects of charge deposited at a single circuit node. Decreased spacing of devices with scaling can increase the charge collection at nodes other that than the hit node [19, 23, and 24]. Such charge collection at multiple nodes due to a single hit (i.e. "charge sharing") [25] can render existing methods for SEU mitigation ineffective. Thus, it is critical to understand the mechanisms and processes that affect the charge sharing and develop design guidelines that reduce the amount of charge collected at nodes other than the hit node.

Charge Sharing Mechanisms

It is important to distinguish between the charge that is the direct result of a hit and the charge that is due to parasitic bipolar action so as to explore an appropriate mitigation technique. The charge collected due to parasitic bipolar action is specific to the device. This charge is not shared with adjacent nodes, while charge collected due to

drift/diffusion processes is subject to charge sharing with other nodes in proximity. However, charge transported by diffusion to a secondary device can result in bipolar amplification if the voltage perturbations on the secondary device are sufficient to turn on the parasitic bipolar transistor.

Charge sharing takes place due to the diffusion of the carriers in the substrate/well. Immediately after an ion hit, carriers are collected by drift process due to the electric field present in the reversed-biased p-n junctions. This is followed by the diffusion of the carriers from the substrate. For older technologies, the distance between the hit device and secondary device was large enough that most of the diffusion charge was also collected by the hit node. However, for advanced technologies, the close proximity of the devices results in diffusion of charge to nodes other than the hit node. With the very small amount of charge required to represent a HIGH logic state at a node, the charge collected due to diffusion at an adjacent node is significant.

The following sections quantify the charge collection between adjacent nodes as a function of distance to provide layout guidelines for a 130 nm technology.

Simulation Setup

Single event simulations were performed to determine charge collection in the "hit" device, as well as in other devices in close proximity of the hit device. In the following discussion, the device that was hit directly by the ion is termed the *active* device, while the other device in proximity is termed the *passive* device. For all simulations, a transistor size of W/L = 1 μ m/130 nm was used. In all simulation results, the charge reported on the passive device was collected after the passive drain charge-collection saturated. The

simulations were conducted for distances between the pair of devices ranging from 0.18 μ m to 2 μ m as shown in Fig. 20. The effectiveness of using guard band, interdigitation and separate wells to reduce charge sharing also was explored.

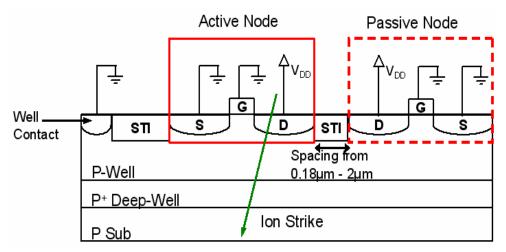


Figure 20: Nodal separation setup for NMOS charge sharing.

Simulation Results

The first step was to determine a threshold charge for the passive node. The threshold charge is defined as the minimum charge required on the passive node that could cause an upset in a circuit. Using a minimum sized 6-inverter chain, single event strikes were conducted on the IBM 130 nm compact models using the double exponential current pulse. The ion strike occurred on the drain of the 5th stage inverter and the hit was an N-hit (i. e., NMOS drain High, transistor off). The minimum charge required to cause the 6th stage output to go from LOW to HIGH was 11.5 fC and is used as the threshold charge for the passive node charge.

A factor that strongly influences the charge collected by the passive device is the LET of the incident particle. Figure 21 shows the amount of charge collected by the active and the passive devices vs. LET for inter-device spacing of 0.18 μ m. For a LET of 40

MeV/mg/cm², the charge collected by the passive PMOS device is about 40% of the charge collected by the active PMOS device, compared to the NMOS devices in which the passive device collects less than 25% of the charge collected by the active device. The combined total charge collected by the active and the passive nodes as shown in Fig. 21 is 27% higher than the total charge collected by a stand-alone node seen in Fig. 14. This is due to the parasitic bipolar turn-on and the passive node collection of charge that would normally diffuse out and recombine.

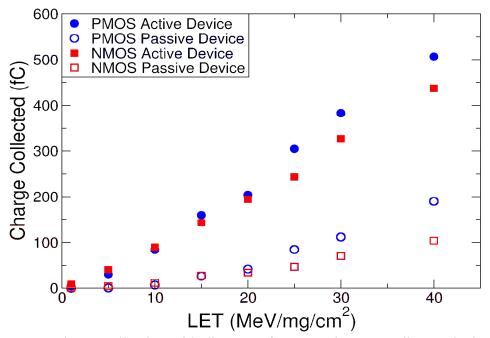


Figure 21: Charge collection with distance of 0.18 µm between adjacent devices.

The collected charge is also a strong function of the distance between the active and passive device. Figures 22 and 23 shows the charge collected on the passive node as a function of distance to the active device. For the PMOS devices, there is very little charge sharing for spacing greater than 1.62 μ m, while the NMOS passive device still collects a

significant amount of charge at a distance of 2 μ m. This is due to the difference in the collection volume. The n-well limits the collection in the PMOS device to 0.9 μ m, whereas, the collection depth for the NMOS is ~1.2 μ m. Another contributing factor is the difference in mobility of holes vs. the mobility of electrons. The mobility of electrons can be three times higher than that of holes, and the increased mobility of electrons will cause the diffusion of ion-strike generated electrons to the drain of the NMOS passive device.

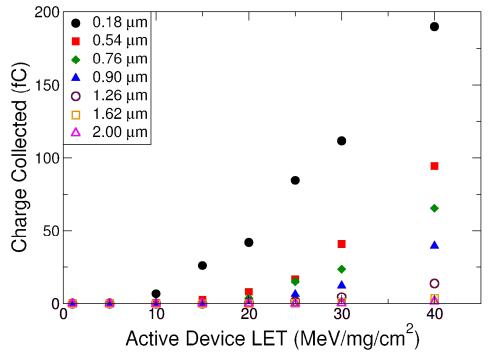


Figure 22: Nodal separation of two PMOS devices, Passive PMOS charge collection shows a decrease in charge collection with increase in distance.

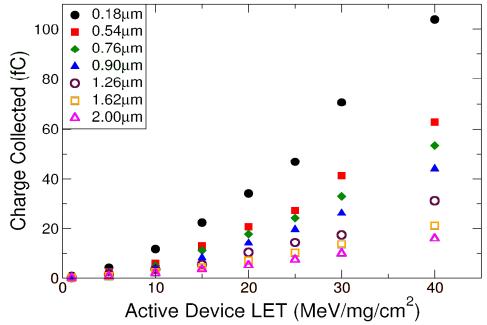


Figure 23: Nodal separation of two NMOS devices, Passive NMOS charge collection shows a decrease in charge collection with increase in distance.

Figure 24 shows the simulation results with the source (emitter for parasitic bipolar) region from the NMOS and PMOS devices (both active and passive) removed for interdevice spacing of 0.18 µm. The charge collection decreases significantly for passive PMOS device when the source is removed, indicating a high contribution from the parasitic bipolar transistor as seen in Fig. 25. For passive NMOS device, the difference in charge collection with and without the parasitic bipolar transistor is not significant because the bipolar effect in the substrate is not as strong as it is inside the n-well. Hence, the dominant mechanism for charge-sharing in the passive NMOS device is diffusion.

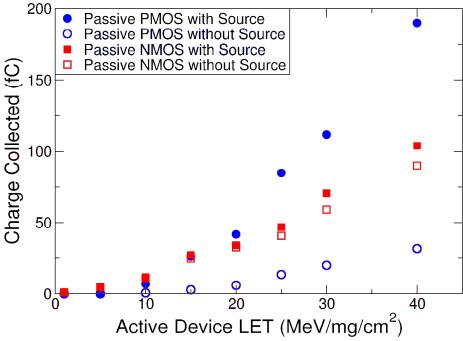


Figure 24: Parasitic bipolar amplification effects for Passive devices.

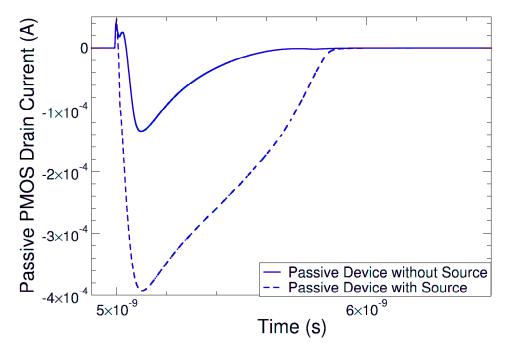
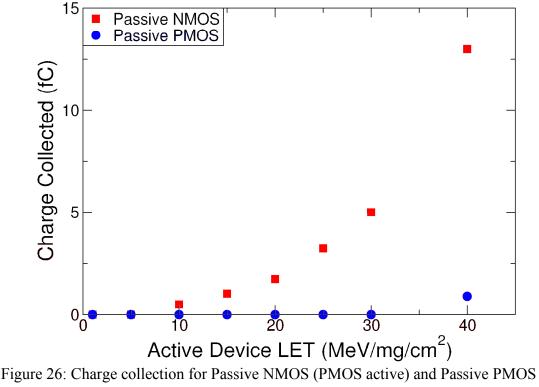


Figure 25: Parasitic bipolar amplification of the drain current in passive PMOS device, $LET = 40 \text{ MeV/mg/cm}^2$.

In order to determine the charge sharing effect for devices in different wells, simulations were conducted with inter-device spacing of 0.6 μ m between the NMOS and PMOS device. The devices are interchanged, with the NMOS as the active device and the PMOS as the passive device, and vice versa. Figure 26 shows that the charge sharing effect is not as prominent for devices in different wells. The charge collected by the passive NMOS device at LET of 40 MeV/mg/cm² is above the threshold, this is due to the difference in the depth of the n-well located at 0.9 μ m and the effective collection depth of the NMOS transistor at 1.2 μ m. It should be noted that with increase in LET, the charge sharing effect between devices in separate wells is expected to increase as discussed in [19].



(NMOS active).

Mitigation Strategies

A solution for mitigating charge sharing is nodal separation. Figures 22 and 23 clearly show that this is not a practical mitigation technique because the passive node can still collect 16 fC (which is greater than the charge threshold of 11.5 fC) for a distance of 2 μ m between adjacent devices. Due to higher packing densities, there will be several devices within the 2 μ m radius and all of these devices will collect charge due to a single hit, resulting in multiple SE pulses propagating through the circuit. With technologies smaller than 130 nm, this problem will become even more severe, requiring hardening techniques that mitigate multiple SE pulses within the circuit.

As the parasitic bipolar transistor contributes the majority of the collected charge on the passive PMOS node, hardening approaches should include techniques to reduce overall contribution of the parasitic bipolar transistor. The main reason parasitic bipolar transistor turns ON is the collapse of the well voltage, which forward biases the parasitic transistor base-emitter junction. Additional well contacts or guard band around each transistor in the well will prevent the well voltage from collapsing, thereby decreasing the contribution by the parasitic bipolar transistor. The presence of the guard-band causes an increase of 30% in the area compared to the minimum nodal separation of 0.18 µm between the transistors. Figures 27 and 28 show the charge collection on the passive device with and without a guard ring around the active devices. At an LET of 40 MeV/mg/cm², the passive PMOS device collects 97% less charge than without the guard ring, whereas the NMOS passive device collects 35% less charge.

The significant decrease in the amount of charge collected by the PMOS passive device is due to the guard ring which helps maintain the well potential, and prevents the parasitic bipolar transistor from turning on. The guard-band mitigation technique is marginally effective in the NMOS charge sharing because the primary charge-sharing mechanism is diffusion and not the parasitic bipolar transistor turn-on.

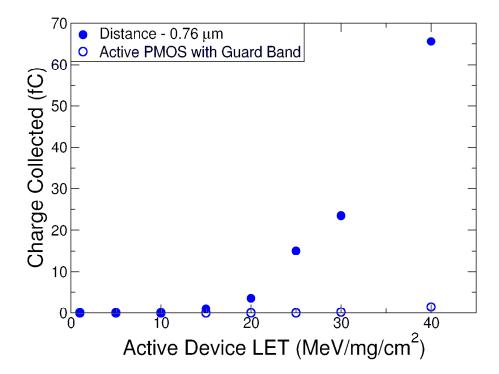
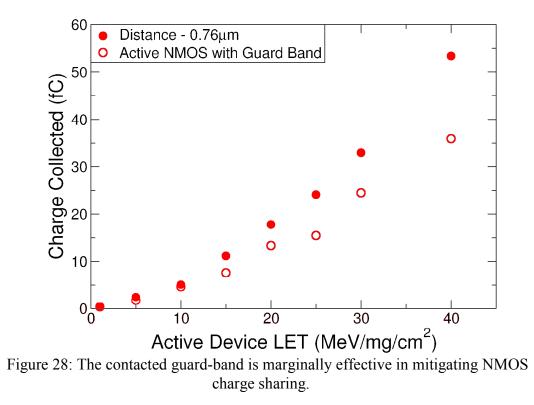


Figure 27: The contacted guard-band is highly effective in mitigating PMOS charge sharing.



Another mitigation technique considered for PMOS charge sharing is the use of separate wells as shown in Figure 29. It should be noted that the use of separate wells will consume more area than using a contacted guard band, however for this simulation, the device spacing between the three different scenarios presented in Fig. 30 is $1.52 \mu m$. Figure 30 shows that the use of the contacted guard band is more effective than using separate wells.

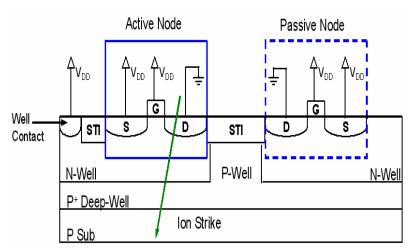


Figure 29: Active PMOS and Passive PMOS devices separated by a P-Well

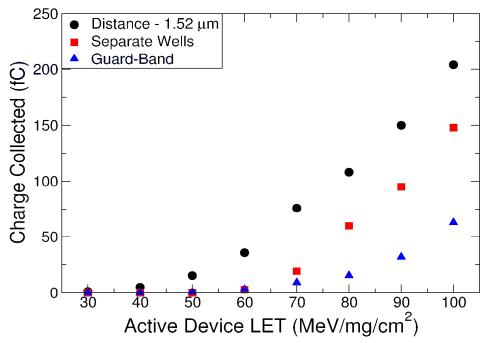


Figure 30: The use of contacted guard-band for PMOS charge sharing is more effective compared to the use of separate wells.

For NMOS charge sharing, interdigitating the transistors is considered as shown in Fig. 31. The *less-sensitive* node can be a transistor in the same combinational logic circuit as the active and passive devices or a transistor from another combinational logic circuit.

Here it is assumed that the less-sensitive node is less vulnerable to SE strikes as compared to the passive node, therefore the increase in the charge collection on the less-sensitive node is less likely to cause an upset. Figure 32 shows that the use of interdigitation can be effective for NMOS charge sharing, provided that the layout designer has a previous knowledge of the sensitivity and vulnerability of each node in the cell to SE strikes.

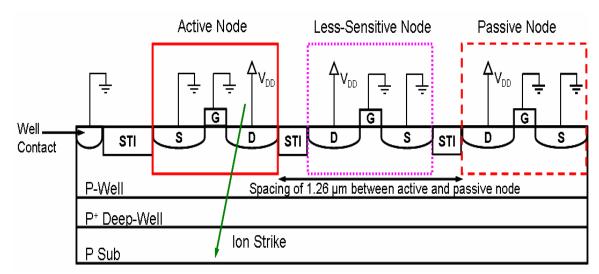


Figure 31: Interdigitation to mitigate NMOS charge sharing

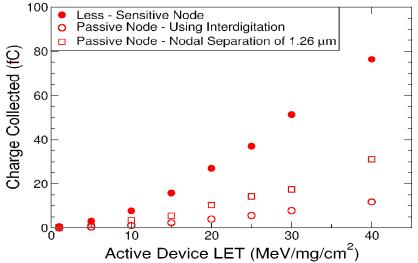


Figure 32: The less-sensitive node collects most of the diffusion charge, thereby reducing the passive node charge collection.

Conclusion

Charge sharing between two devices in the same well was simulated for the IBM 8RF (twin well option) 130 nm technology. For the PMOS devices, the parasitic bipolar significantly increases the total charge collected by the passive (non-hit) node, while the main mechanism for charge sharing in the NMOS devices is diffusion. Due to scaling trends, (i.e., higher packing densities and lower nodal capacitances), both parasitic bipolar amplification and charge diffusion are expected to be exacerbated, thereby making charge sharing a major SE issue in future technologies.

Contacted guard-band reduced the charge sharing between PMOS devices in the n-well by 97% and between NMOS devices in the p-well by 35%. Therefore, the most effective mitigation technique for PMOS charge sharing mitigation is the use of contacted guardband because it eliminates the drop in the n-well potential that allows the parasitic bipolar to turn on. For NMOS charge sharing, a combination of nodal separation, interdigitation, and contacted guard-band should help mitigate the charge sharing effect.

CHAPTER IV

SINGLE EVENT EFFECTS IN A 130 nm DICE LATCH

Introduction

Critical charge to maintain a logic HIGH is steadily decreasing with decreasing feature size. Many methods have been developed to increase critical charge requirement for storage elements, thereby reducing the error rates [22, 26, and 27]. Design-based approaches have been proposed that use four storage nodes instead of two nodes to retain data [5]. Such designs are considered SEU immune at low LET ion hits for all practical purposes because a single ion hit at a storage node does not cause an upset. However, such designs are vulnerable to hits that deposit charge on multiple nodes [23]. Since, multiple node hits are very rare, such designs were considered practically SEU immune. However, for deep sub-micron technologies, the proximity of circuit nodes results in charge collection at multiple nodes when a single ion strikes a node. Researchers first observed the effect of such charge sharing in hardened SRAM designs [23]. Experimental data showing upsets in DICE latch design when exposed to low LET ions was unexpected based on the assumed hardness of the circuit. Circuit and 3D TCAD simulations show that charge sharing between sensitive pairs of devices as the primary reason for upsets.

DICE Design and SEU Exposure

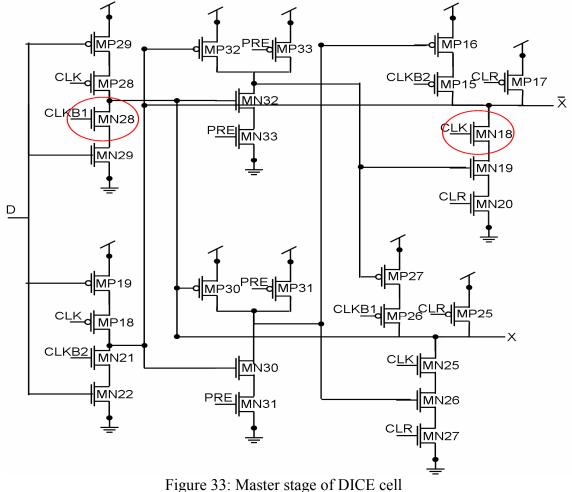


Figure 55. Waster stage of DICE cell

The DICE cell design has a master and slave stage, the master stage is shown in Fig. 33. A test chip utilizing an array of these latches was designed in a shift register fashion and fabricated in the IBM 8RF 130 nm CMOS technology as part of the DARPA RHBD program [21]. Multiple shift registers were put in parallel to isolate clock hits from individual node hits in a DICE cell (clock line hits will result in upsets for all shift registers, individual hits will result in upsets in a single shift register). This design was

exposed to low LET ions at Berkeley Laboratory. The ions used were Argon, Copper, Xenon, and Krypton with LET ranging from 3.45 to 62 MeV/mg/cm². The angles used for exposure were 0°, 45°, and 60° from normal. Due to hardened nature of DICE cell and low LET of particles, no upsets were expected except at very high LETs. However, Fig. 34 [21] shows that the DICE cell upsets for LETs as low as 13.77 MeV/mg/cm². These upsets were consistent through out the experiments and unexpected as a single low LET ion hits on a node can not cause an upset in a DICE latch. Charge sharing between two nodes due to one ion hit was proposed as the main reason for upset. This theory was verified through circuit and 3D TCAD simulations as described in the following section.

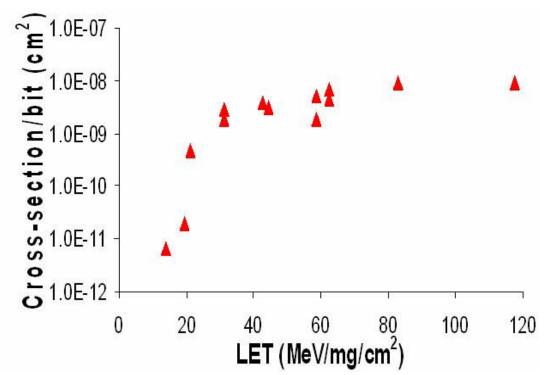


Figure 34: Data shows DICE upsets at LET values well below theoretical expectations, after Baze, et al, [21]

Circuit and 3D TCAD Simulation Approach

An exhaustive set of single node hit circuit-level simulations were conducted on the 130 nm DICE latch using Cadence Spectre circuit simulator to confirm that single node hit will not cause an upset for the DICE latch [28]. The simulations were conducted using the double-exponential current pulse described in [1]. The double exponential, time dependent current pulse used had a rise time of 7 ps and fall time of 200 ps, the peak current was adjusted accordingly to vary the charge deposited on the node from 1 fC to 1 pC. The simulation results from the single node hit confirmed the hardness of the DICE latch to single node hit upsets. Charge sharing between two nodes does not necessarily affect the DICE circuit operation. Only when charge is collected by specific pairs of sensitive nodes, the circuit operation may be disrupted. Sensitive pairs are defined as two transistors that upon simultaneous charge collection cause the DICE latch to upset. The double exponential current pulse was used to inject charge at the drain of the sensitive pairs. The double exponential, time dependent current pulse used had a rise time of 7 ps and fall time of 200 ps, the peak current was adjusted accordingly to vary the charge deposited on the nodes from 1 fC to 100 fC. An exhaustive set of circuit simulations were performed in order to determine sensitive pairs for the DICE latch circuit shown in Figure 33. The circuit simulations accounted for the four possible input states:

- when data is high and clock is high
- when data is high and clock is low
- when data is low and clock is high
- when data is low and clock is low

The DICE latch design consisted of 66 transistors which resulted in 4356 node

pairs for each input state. As charge sharing is a strong function of layout, and layout may contain any of these nodes in close proximity, all possible combinations of node pairs were simulated. The circuit simulations identified a total of 124 unique pairs of sensitive nodes; 48 of which are PMOS-NMOS pairs, 56 are PMOS-PMOS pairs, and 20 are NMOS-NMOS pairs as seen in Table 2 [28]. These sensitive pairs are due to the circuit function and are independent of the layout of the DICE latch.

Table 2

D high, C high	D high, C low	D low, C high	D low, C low
MN30 MN32	MN10 MN13	MN18 MN25	MN3 MN6
MP18 MN32	MN10 MN14	MN18 MN26	MP10 MN6
MP18 MP25	MN10 MN16	MN18 MN28	MP10 MP13
MP18 MP26	MN11 MN13	MN19 MN25	MP10 MP14
MP18 MP27	MN11 MN14	MN19 MN26	MP10 MP15
MP18 MP28	MN11 MN16	MN19 MN28	MP10 MP16
MP18 MP29	MN8 MN13	MN21 MN25	MP10 MP17
MP19 MN32	MN8 MN14	MN21 MN26	MP11 MN6
MP19 MP25	MN8 MN16	MN21 MN28	MP11 MP13
MP19 MP26	MP3 MN10	MP30 MN18	MP11 MP14
MP19 MP27	MP3 MN11	MP30 MN19	MP11 MP15
MP19 MP28	MP3 MN8	MP30 MN21	MP11 MP16
MP20 MN32	MP3 MN9	MP30 MP32	MP11 MP17
MP20 MP25	MP3 MP6	MP30 MP33	MP12 MN6
MP20 MP26	MP3 MP7	MP31 MN18	MP12 MP13
MP20 MP27	MP4 MN10	MP31 MN19	MP12 MP14
MP20 MP28	MP4 MN11	MP31 MN21	MP12 MP15
MP20 MP29	MP4 MN8	MP31 MP32	MP12 MP16
MP21 MN32	MP4 MN9	MP31 MP33	MP12 MP17
MP21 MP25	MP4 MP6	MP32 MN25	MP13 MN3
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MP21 MP27	MP6 MN13	MP32 MN28	MP15 MN3
MP21 MP28	MP6 MN14	MP33 MN25	MP16 MN3
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MP25 MN30			MP9 MN6
MP26 MN30			MP9 MP13
MP27 MN30			MP9 MP15
MP28 MN30			MP9 MP16
MP29 MN30			MP9 MP17

List of Sensitive Node Pairs for DICE latch. D=Data. C=Clock.

Of all the possible combinations of sensitive pairs, only some of the pairs are in close proximity to each other on a layout. All sensitive pairs were examined in the DICE latch layout to identify pairs that have the least distance between the nodes. Based on the distance between the sensitive pairs, three pairs were identified as the case-study examples and considered for further analysis. The pairs included: MN18 and MN28 shown in Fig. 35 with the distance of 1.41 μ m between the devices. This pair of devices was sensitive when data was low and clock was high. MP22 and MP28 with distance of 0.74 μ m between devices shown in Fig. 36 were sensitive when both data and clock are high; and MP25 and MN30 with distance of 4.3 μ m between devices shown in Fig. 37 were sensitive when both data and clock are high.



Figure 35: An excerpt showing layout proximity of sensitive NMOS-NMOS node pair MN28-MN18 in the DICE layout.

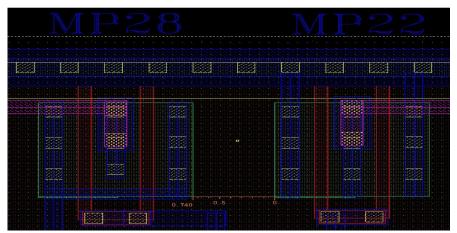


Figure 36: An excerpt showing layout proximity of sensitive PMOS-PMOS node pair MP22-MP28 in the DICE layout.

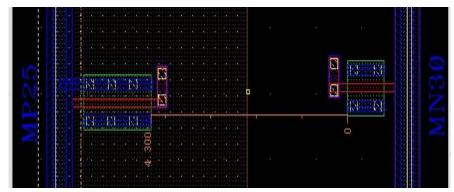


Figure 37: An excerpt showing layout proximity of sensitive NMOS-PMOS node pair MN30-MP25 in the DICE layout.

Once the case-study sensitive pairs were identified, the next step was to determine the amount of charge needed on each of the two nodes to cause an upset in the DICE latch. This was done using exponential current sources to model charge collection process at each node in a Spectre simulation. The device that was hit directly by the ion is termed the *active* device, while the other device in proximity is termed the *passive* device. The double exponential, time dependent current pulse used had a rise time of 7 ps and fall time of 200 ps, the peak current was adjusted accordingly to vary the charge deposited on

the active and passive nodes for each sensitive pair from 1 fC to 100 fC in 1 fC increments [28]. The charge contours in Figs. 38, 39, and 40 [28] show an upset region with the amount of charge needed on each transistor to cause an upset in the DICE latch. It should be noted that the charge contours are an approximation due to the use of a constant pulse width for the varied charge depositions.

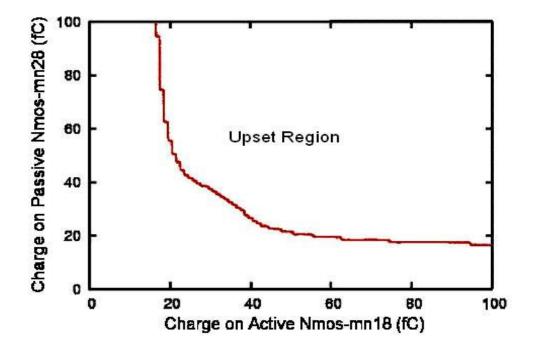


Figure 38: Upset/No-Upset SHMOO plot for each sensitive NMOS pair quantifies the charge sharing necessary for upset, after Sternberg, [28].

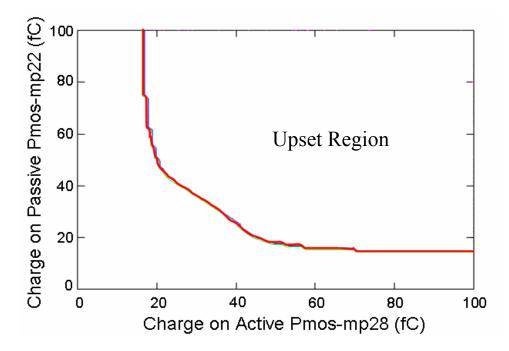


Figure 39: Upset/No-Upset SHMOO plot for each sensitive PMOS pair quantifies the charge sharing necessary for upset, after Sternberg, [28].

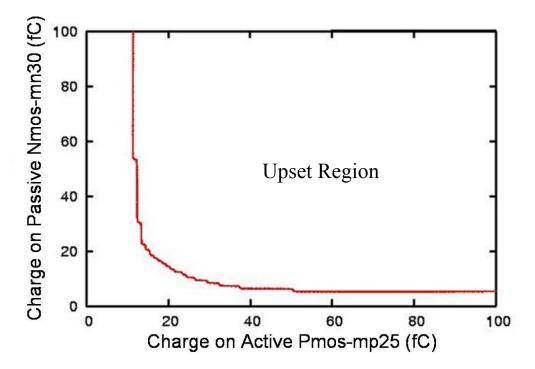


Figure 40: Upset/No-Upset SHMOO plot for each sensitive NMOS-PMOS pair quantifies the charge sharing necessary for upset, after Sternberg, [28].

Next, a calibrated 3D TCAD model was used to determine if two sensitive nodes collected enough charge to cause an upset for a given LET and angle of incidence. Both the active and the passive devices were included in the 3D model with actual physical dimensions being the same as that on the layout as shown in Figs. 41, 42, and 43. The devices are simulated in the OFF state, the active device was struck using different LET values, and the resulting charge collection at both device nodes was monitored. Current pulses at both the active and passive nodes were integrated to obtain the total amount of charge collected by each node. Simulations were carried out not only for normal strikes, but also for 45° and 60° angle strikes. The angles used were selected such that the ion would pass under the passive device to yield a worst-case scenario estimate.

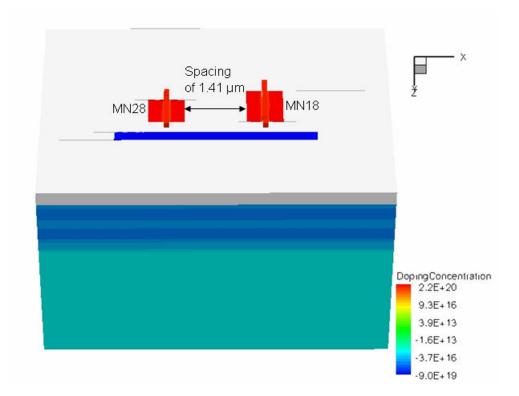


Figure 41: 3D TCAD layout of simulated NMOS-NMOS node pair MN28-MN18.

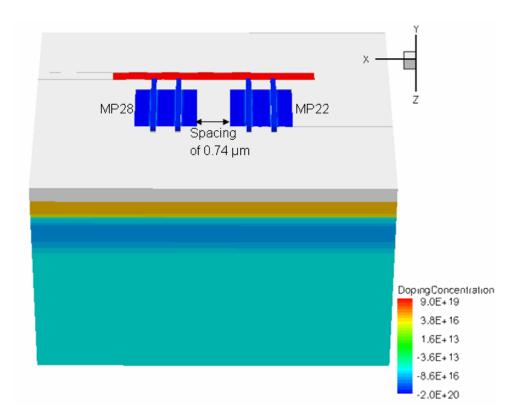


Figure 42: 3D TCAD layout of simulated PMOS-PMOS node pair MP22-MP28

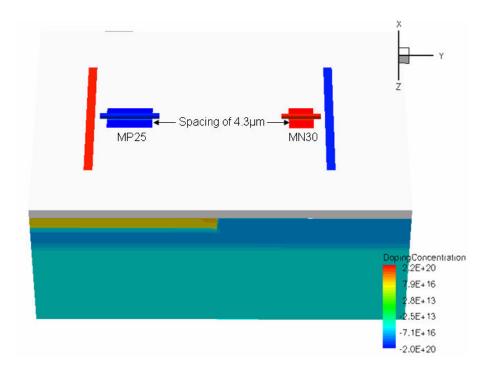


Figure 43: 3D TCAD layout of simulated PMOS-NMOS node pair MP25-MN30

The tables below show the results for these simulations. Each table section is for a pair of sensitive nodes. The role of active and passive was reversed for the pair comprised of MP25 (PMOS) and MN30 (NMOS) with the results shown in the tables 5 and 6.

			LET/Angle and total amount of charge collected (fC)				
		Qcrit (fC)	9.74/60°	21.33/0°	21.33/60°	31.3/0°	31.3/45°
MN18	Active	15	48	221	110	333	227
MN28	Passive	18	35	9	81	14	93

Table 3: Results for NMOS Pair (MN18 and MN28)

Table 4: Results for PMOS Pair (MP22 and MP28)

			LET/Angle and total amount of charge collected (fC)				
		Qcrit (fC)	9.74/60°	21.33/0°	21.33/60°	31.3/0°	31.3/45°
MP28	Active	15	106	474	378	779	484
MP22	Passive	16	118	42	254	119	254

Table 5: Results for NMOS/PMOS Pair (MN30 and MP25)

			LET/Angle and total amount of charge collected (fC)				
		Qcrit (fC)	9.74/60°	21.33/0°	21.33/60°	31.3/0°	31.3/45°
MN30	Active	5	73	229	172	337	344
MP25	Passive	12	0	0	16	0	0

			LET/Angle and total amount of charge collected (fC)				
		Qcrit (fC)	9.74/60°	21.33/0°	21.33/60°	31.3/0°	31.3/45°
MP25	Active	12	188	339	468	546	668
MN30	Passive	5	0	0	2	0	0

Table 6: Results for PMOS/NMOS Pair (MP25 and MN30)

Results indicate that charge sharing occurs more readily between devices in the same wells (i.e., from PMOS to PMOS and NMOS to NMOS) as shown in Tables 3 and 4, with very little charge sharing occurring across a well boundary (i.e. between PMOS and NMOS), as shown in Tables 5 and 6.

The next set of simulations conducted were 3D mixed-mode simulations with the sensitive pairs in 3D TCAD and the rest of the DICE cell in IBM 130 nm compact models. This was done to account for loading effects and to simulate a worst case scenario, the angled strikes were angled towards the passive device. For each case-study example examined, the strike occurs when the sensitive pair can cause an upset based on the state of the Data and Clock as seen in Table 2. Table 7 shows the mixed-mode sensitive pair upsets versus upsets seen in the experiment data. These 3D mixed-mode simulations clearly show that low LET particles may cause enough charge collection at sensitive node pairs to cause an upset. Such charge sharing effects not only affect the DICE latches, but will affect combinational logic as well.

		3D mixed-mode simulation				
LET/Angle	Heavy ion	NMOS Pair	PMOS Pair	NMOS/PMOS Pair		
	data	MN28/MN18	MP28/MP22	MP25/MN30		
9.74/45°	Upset	No Upset	No Upset	No Upset		
9.74/60°	Upset	No Upset	Upset	No Upset		
21.33/0°	Upset	No Upset	No Upset	No Upset		
21.33/60°	Upset	Upset	Upset	No Upset		
31.3/0°	Upset	No Upset	Upset	No Upset		
31.3/45°	Upset	Upset	Upset	No Upset		

Table 7: 3D mixed-mode simulation upsets vs. Heavy ion data.

Conclusion

Experimental results clearly show that a hardened cell (DICE) is vulnerable to SEU at low LET. This vulnerability is shown to be due to charge sharing between a hit node and an adjacent node in proximity. 3D TCAD standalone simulations show that the charge sharing effect is more pronounced for devices in the same well, and not as significant for devices in separate wells. Mixed-mode simulations show that the DICE will upset due to charge sharing as seen in the experimental data. The use of careful design layout (separating sensitive pairs in the layout design) can help increase the SE hardness of this cell and other cells in a given design library.

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

In this work, we have investigated the single event effects for the IBM 8RF 130 nm CMOS technology through a combination of circuit and 3D TCAD simulations, and have verified the simulation results with experimental data.

Modeling and calibration of the 130 nm allowed for a full analysis of the charge collection and charge sharing properties for this technology node. For charge collection, the presence of a n+/p+ junction in the PMOS and a deep p+ implant in the NMOS helped reduce the total amount of charge collected from an ion strike due to the reduced collection depth. The reduction in the total charge collected not only affects the struck device but also the devices in proximity.

Due to the reduced gate length, the turn-on the parasitic bipolar transistor is significant even at low LETs. This parasitic bipolar amplification is more pronounced in the PMOS devices than the NMOS devices because of the n-well voltage perturbation that occurs after an ion strike due to the confinement of the ion-strike generated electrons to the nwell region.

Using a D flip-flop, the critical charge needed to cause an upset and the associated current pulse for this technology were determined through a mixed-mode simulation. The simulation results were corroborated by the heavy ion experimental data and showed the accuracy of the calibrated 3D models. Also, it demonstrates the effectiveness of using 3D TCAD mixed-mode simulations to not only predict device response to single events, but

also to help guide heavy ion experiments.

Charge sharing effects between adjacent devices have been examined and quantified. Due to scaling trends (i.e. reduced spacing and decrease in nodal capacitance), charge sharing for deep-submicron technologies will be a major SE issue. Devices in the same well are more prone to charge sharing than device in separate wells. In terms of mitigation, PMOS charge sharing can be mitigated effectively by using contacted guardring. The presence of the guard-ring helps maintain the nwell potential thereby reducing the parasitic bipolar effect which is the primary effect for PMOS charge sharing. On the other hand, NMOS charge sharing can only be mitigated through a combination of interdigitation, contacted guard-rings, and nodal separation because the primary mechanism is diffusion.

A DICE latch is an example of a RHBD circuit, and requires a multiple node hit to cause an upset. However, due to charge sharing, experimental data and mixed-mode simulation results show the DICE latch to be vulnerable to low LET ions. This charge sharing effect will affect other circuit hardening techniques because most of the circuit level hardening techniques is based on the assumption that charge is collected at a single node. The DICE latch and other circuit hardening techniques can retain their hardness through layout mitigation techniques that include contacted guard-ring, interdigitation, and nodal separation.

Appendix

Devise file for NMOS devise

;This file contains the structural dimensions ,the doping profiles and the meshing for the ;calibrated ;IBM 8RF NMOS device

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;STI

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 3.5 0.4 0) (position 1.59 -0.6 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI2") (isegeo:create-cuboid (position -1.21 0.77 0) (position 3.5 0.4 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI3")

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position -1.21 1.05 0) (position 3.5 2 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI4") (isegeo:create-cuboid (position 0.7 0.4 0) (position -1.21 -0.6 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI6") (isegeo:create-cuboid (position -1.21 -0.4 0) (position 0 -2 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI7")

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 3.5 -0.6 0) (position 0 -2 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI8") (isegeo:create-cuboid (position -1.21 0.77 0) (position 0.29 1.05 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI9")

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 3.5 0.77 0) (position 2 1.05 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI10") ;;Contacts

(isegeo:define-contact-set "Drain" 4.0 (color:rgb 1.0 1.0 0.0) "##") (isegeo:define-contact-set "Gate" 4.0 (color:rgb 1.0 0.0 1.0) "##") (isegeo:define-contact-set "Source" 4.0 (color:rgb 1.0 1.0 1.0) "##") (isegeo:define-contact-set "Substrate" 4.0 (color:rgb 0.0 1.0 1.0) "##") (isegeo:define-contact-set "Pwell" 4.0 (color:rgb 0.0 1.0 1.0) "##") (isegeo:create-cuboid (position 1.205 0.4 -0.1425) (position 1.085 -0.6 -2) "Metal" "Gatemetal")

(isegeo:define-3d-contact (find-face-id (position 1.145 0 -0.1425)) "Gate")

(isegeo:delete-region (find-body-id (position 1.145 0 -1)))

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 0.59 1 0) (position 1.7 0.82 -2) "Metal" "Pwellmetal")

(isegeo:define-3d-contact (find-face-id (position 0.8 0.92 0)) "Pwell")

(isegeo:delete-region (find-body-id (position 0.8 0.92 -1)))

(isegeo:define-3d-contact (find-face-id (position 0 0 5)) "Substrate")

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 1.4975 0.3 0) (position 1.2975 -0.5 -2) "Metal" "Sourcemetal")

(isegeo:define-3d-contact (find-face-id (position 1.3975 0 0)) "Source")

(isegeo:delete-region (find-body-id (position 1.3975 0 -1)))

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 0.9925 0.3 0) (position 0.7925 -0.5 -2) "Metal" "Drainmetal")

(isegeo:define-3d-contact (find-face-id (position 0.8925 0 0)) "Drain")

(isegeo:delete-region (find-body-id (position 0.8925 0 -1)))

;----- Lets add in some dopings for the device -----

;----- First, lets begin with all the constant doping profiles

;Constant Doping in the poly

(isedr:define-constant-profile "Profile.Polyconst.Phos" "ArsenicActiveConcentration" 1e20)

(isedr:define-constant-profile-material "Place.Polyconst.Phos1" "Profile.Polyconst.Phos" "PolySi")

;-- Constant Doping in the silicon substrate region

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.Silconst.Bor" "Cuboid" (position -1.21 2 0) (position 3.5 -2 5))

(isedr:define-constant-profile "Profile.Silconst.Bor" "BoronActiveConcentration" 1e16)
(isedr:define-constant-profile-placement "Place.Silconst.Bor" "Profile.Silconst.Bor"
"Window.Silconst.Bor")

;-- Boron doping in the silicon

;-- Assumes deep pwell implant goes through whole die

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.DeepPWell.Bor.1" "Rectangle" (position -

1.21 2 1.25) (position 3.5 -2 1.25))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "Profile.DeepPWell.Bor.1" "BoronActiveConcentration"
"PeakPos" 0 "PeakVal" 1e18 "ValueAtDepth" 1e16 "Depth" 0.4 "Gauss" "Factor"
0.0001)

(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "Place.DeepPWell.Bor.1" "Profile.DeepPWell.Bor.1" "Window.DeepPWell.Bor.1" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval") ; Regular pwell

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.PWell.Bor.2" "Rectangle" (position -1.21 2 0.65) (position 3.5 -2 0.65))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "Profile.PWell.Bor.2" "BoronActiveConcentration"
"PeakPos" 0 "PeakVal" 8e17 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.35 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.01)
(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "Place.PWell.Bor.2" "Profile.PWell.Bor.2"
"Window.PWell.Bor.2" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

;pwell contact doping

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.PWellCon.Bor.3A" "Rectangle" (position 0.29 1.05 0) (position 2 0.77 0))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "Profile.PWellCon.Bor.3A" "BoronActiveConcentration"
"PeakPos" 0 "PeakVal" 9e19 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.08 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.01)
(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "Place.PWellCon.Bor.3A"
"Profile.PWellCon.Bor.3A" "Window.PWellCon.Bor.3A" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")
; STI Implant - Front & Back Extensions (Added 4/06/06)

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.FrontB" "Cuboid" (position 1.205 0.4 0) (position 1.085 0.385 0.36))

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.BackB" "Cuboid" (position 1.205 -0.6 0) (position 1.085 -0.585 0.36))

(isedr:define-constant-profile "Profile.ImplantB" "BoronActiveConcentration" 5e19)

(isedr:define-constant-profile-placement "Place.Implant.FrontB" "Profile.ImplantB" "Window.FrontB")

(isedr:define-constant-profile-placement "Place.Implant.BackB" "Profile.ImplantB" "Window.BackB")

;-- Arsenic doping in the silicon

; - DRAIN SIDE

(isedr:define-refinement-window "drain.Profile.Region" "Rectangle" (position 1.056 0.40) (position 0.7 -0.6 0))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "drain.Profile" "ArsenicActiveConcentration" "PeakPos" 0 "PeakVal" 2e20 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.08 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.1)

(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "drain.Profile.Place" "drain.Profile"
"drain.Profile.Region" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

; - SOURCE SIDE

(isedr:define-refinement-window "source.Profile.Region" "Rectangle" (position 1.234 0.4 0) (position 1.59 -0.6 0))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "source.Profile" "ArsenicActiveConcentration" "PeakPos"0 "PeakVal" 2e20 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.08 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.1)

(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "source.Profile.Place" "source.Profile"
"source.Profile.Region" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

; Lightly Doped Drain

(isedr:define-refinement-window "drainldd.Profile.Region" "Rectangle" (position (-1.106 0.0) 0.4 0) (position 0.7 -0.6 0))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "drainldd.Profile" "ArsenicActiveConcentration"
"PeakPos" 0 "PeakVal" 2.5e19 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.03 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.1)
(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "drainldd.Profile.Place" "drainldd.Profile"
"drainldd.Profile.Region" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

; Lightly Doped Source

(isedr:define-refinement-window "sourceldd.Profile.Region" "Rectangle" (position (+ 1.184 0.0) 0.4 0) (position 1.59 -0.6 0))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "sourceldd.Profile" "ArsenicActiveConcentration"
"PeakPos" 0 "PeakVal" 2.5e19 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.03 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.1)
(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "sourceldd.Profile.Place" "sourceldd.Profile"
"sourceldd.Profile.Region" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

; Vt IMPLANT

(isedr:define-refinement-window "implant.Profile.Region" "Rectangle" (position 1.175 0.4 0.0165) (position 1.115 -0.6 0.0165))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "implant.Profile" "BoronActiveConcentration" "PeakPos"
0 "PeakVal" 6e18 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.0165 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.0001)
(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "implant.Profile.Place" "implant.Profile"
"implant.Profile.Region" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

;;bulk meshing

; Meshing Strategy:

(isedr:define-refinement-size "size.whole" 0.25 0.3 0.25 0.1 0.1 0.05)

(isedr:define-refinement-window "window.whole" "Cuboid" (position -1.21 2 0) (position 3.5 -2 5))

(isedr:define-refinement-placement "placement.whole" "size.whole" "window.whole") (isedr:define-refinement-size "size.well" 0.1 0.1 0.05 0.05 0.05 0.05)

(isedr:define-refinement-function "size.well" "DopingConcentration" "MaxTransDiff" 1) (isedr:define-refinement-window "window.well" "Cuboid" (position 0.29 0.77 0) (position 2 1.05 0.1))

(isedr:define-refinement-placement "placement.well" "size.well" "window.well")

(isedr:define-refinement-size "size.dopingmesh1" 0.1 0.1 0.05 0.025 0.025 0.025)

(isedr:define-refinement-function "size.dopingmesh1" "DopingConcentration"
"MaxTransDiff" 1)

(isedr:define-refinement-window "window.dopingmesh1" "Cuboid" (position 0.7 0.4 0) (position 1.59 -0.6 0.1))

(isedr:define-refinement-placement "placement.dopingmesh1" "size.dopingmesh1" "window.dopingmesh1")

(isedr:define-refinement-size "size.dopingmesh2" 0.075 0.075 0.05 0.005 0.01 0.005)

(isedr:define-refinement-function "size.dopingmesh2" "DopingConcentration"
"MaxTransDiff" 1)

(isedr:define-refinement-window "window.dopingmesh2" "Cuboid" (position 1.215 0.4

0) (position 1.075 -0.6 0.1))

(isedr:define-refinement-placement "placement.dopingmesh2" "size.dopingmesh2" "window.dopingmesh2")

(ise:save-model "NMOS")

Devise file for PMOS devise

;This file contains the structural dimensions ,the doping profiles and the meshing for the ;calibrated ;IBM 8RF PMOS device

```
(isegeo:set-default-boolean "ABA")
;Bulk
(isegeo:create-cuboid (position -1.21 2 5)
                                            (position 3.5 - 2.0)
                                                                   "Silicon" "R.Bulk")
;Gate poly and oxide
(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 1.205 0.4 0) (position 1.085 -0.6 -0.0025) "SiO2"
"R.GateOxide")
(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 1.205 0.4 -0.0025) (position 1.085 -0.6 -0.1425)
"PolySi" "R.PolyGate")
;Field oxide extensions
(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 1.205 0.4 0.0) (position 1.085 0.63 -0.025) "SiO2"
"R.FieldOxideA")
(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 1.205 -0.6 0.0) (position 1.085 -0.83 -0.025) "SiO2"
"R.FieldOxideB")
;Gate poly extensions
(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 1.205 0.4 -0.025) (position 1.085 0.63 -0.1425) "PolySi"
"R.PolyGateA")
(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 1.205 -0.6 -0.025) (position 1.085 -0.83 -0.1425) "PolySi"
"R.PolyGateB")
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(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 3.5 0.4 0) (position 1.59 -0.6 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI2") (isegeo:create-cuboid (position -1.21 0.77 0) (position 3.5 0.4 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI3")

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position -1.21 1.05 0) (position 3.5 2 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI4") (isegeo:create-cuboid (position 0.7 0.4 0) (position -1.21 -0.6 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI6") (isegeo:create-cuboid (position -1.21 -0.4 0) (position 0 -2 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI7")

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 3.5 -0.6 0) (position 0 -2 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI8") (isegeo:create-cuboid (position -1.21 0.77 0) (position 0.29 1.05 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI9")

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 3.5 0.77 0) (position 2 1.05 0.36) "SiO2" "R.STI10") ;;Contacts

(isegeo:define-contact-set "Drain" 4.0 (color:rgb 1.0 1.0 0.0) "##")

(isegeo:define-contact-set "Source" 4.0 (color:rgb 1.0 1.0 1.0) "##")

(isegeo:define-contact-set "Substrate" 4.0 (color:rgb 0.0 1.0 1.0) "##")

(isegeo:define-contact-set "Nwell" 4.0 (color:rgb 0.0 1.0 1.0) "##")

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 1.205 0.4 -0.1425) (position 1.085 -0.6 -2) "Metal"

"Gatemetal")

(isegeo:define-3d-contact (find-face-id (position 1.145 0 -0.1425)) "Gate")

(isegeo:delete-region (find-body-id (position 1.145 0 -1)))

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 0.59 1 0) (position 1.7 0.82 -2) "Metal" "Nwellmetal")

(isegeo:define-3d-contact (find-face-id (position 0.8 0.92 0)) "Nwell")

(isegeo:delete-region (find-body-id (position 0.8 0.92 -1)))

(isegeo:define-3d-contact (find-face-id (position 0 0 5)) "Substrate")

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 1.4975 0.3 0) (position 1.2975 -0.5 -2) "Metal"

"Sourcemetal")

(isegeo:define-3d-contact (find-face-id (position 1.3975 0 0)) "Source")

(isegeo:delete-region (find-body-id (position 1.3975 0 -1)))

(isegeo:create-cuboid (position 0.9925 0.3 0) (position 0.7925 -0.5 -2) "Metal"

"Drainmetal")

(isegeo:define-3d-contact (find-face-id (position 0.8925 0 0)) "Drain")

(isegeo:delete-region (find-body-id (position 0.8925 0 -1)))

;----- Lets add in some dopings for the device -----

;----- First, lets begin with all the constant doping profiles

;Constant Doping in the poly

(isedr:define-constant-profile "Profile.Polyconst.Phos" "BoronActiveConcentration"

1e20)

(isedr:define-constant-profile-material "Place.Polyconst.Phos1" "Profile.Polyconst.Phos" "PolySi")

;-- Constant Doping in the silicon substrate region

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.Silconst.Bor" "Cuboid" (position -1.21 2 0)

(position 3.5 -2 5))

(isedr:define-constant-profile "Profile.Silconst.Bor" "BoronActiveConcentration" 1e16)
(isedr:define-constant-profile-placement "Place.Silconst.Bor" "Profile.Silconst.Bor"
"Window.Silconst.Bor")

;-- Boron doping in the silicon

;-- Assumes deep pwell implant goes through whole die

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.DeepPWell.Bor.1" "Rectangle" (position -

1.21 2 1.25) (position 3.5 -2 1.25))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "Profile.DeepPWell.Bor.1" "BoronActiveConcentration"
"PeakPos" 0 "PeakVal" 1e18 "ValueAtDepth" 1e16 "Depth" 0.4 "Gauss" "Factor"
0.0001)

(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "Place.DeepPWell.Bor.1"

"Profile.DeepPWell.Bor.1" "Window.DeepPWell.Bor.1" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval"); Regular nwell

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.NWell.Bor.2" "Rectangle" (position -1.21 2 0.45) (position 3.5 -2 0.45))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "Profile.NWell.Bor.2" "ArsenicActiveConcentration"
"PeakPos" 0 "PeakVal" 1e17 "ValueAtDepth" 1e16 "Depth" 0.45 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.01)
(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "Place.NWell.Bor.2" "Profile.NWell.Bor.2"
"Window.NWell.Bor.2" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

;nwell contact doping

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.NWellCon.Bor.3A" "Rectangle" (position

0.29 1.05 0) (position 2 0.77 0))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "Profile.NWellCon.Bor.3A" "ArsenicActiveConcentration"
"PeakPos" 0 "PeakVal" 9e19 "ValueAtDepth" 3e17 "Depth" 0.08 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.01)
(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "Place.NWellCon.Bor.3A"
"Profile.NWellCon.Bor.3A" "Window.NWellCon.Bor.3A" "Symm" "NoReplace"

"Eval")

; STI Implant - Front & Back Extensions (Added 4/06/06)

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.FrontB" "Cuboid" (position 1.205 0.4 0) (position 1.085 0.385 0.36))

(isedr:define-refinement-window "Window.BackB" "Cuboid" (position 1.205 -0.6 0) (position 1.085 -0.585 0.36))

(isedr:define-constant-profile "Profile.ImplantB" "ArsenicActiveConcentration" 5e19)
(isedr:define-constant-profile-placement "Place.Implant.FrontB" "Profile.ImplantB"
"Window.FrontB")

(isedr:define-constant-profile-placement "Place.Implant.BackB" "Profile.ImplantB" "Window.BackB")

;--Boron doping in the silicon

; - DRAIN SIDE

(isedr:define-refinement-window "drain.Profile.Region" "Rectangle" (position 1.056 0.40) (position 0.7 -0.6 0))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "drain.Profile" "BoronActiveConcentration" "PeakPos" 0 "PeakVal" 2e20 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.08 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.1) (isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "drain.Profile.Place" "drain.Profile"

"drain.Profile.Region" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

; - SOURCE SIDE

(isedr:define-refinement-window "source.Profile.Region" "Rectangle" (position 1.234 0.40) (position 1.59 -0.6 0))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "source.Profile" "BoronActiveConcentration" "PeakPos" 0

"PeakVal" 2e20 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.08 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.1) (isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "source.Profile.Place" "source.Profile" "source.Profile.Region" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

; Lightly Doped Drain

(isedr:define-refinement-window "drainIdd.Profile.Region" "Rectangle" (position (-

1.106 0.01685) 0.4 0) (position 0.7 -0.6 0))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "drainldd.Profile" "BoronActiveConcentration" "PeakPos"

0 "PeakVal" 2.15e18 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.03 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.1)

(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "drainldd.Profile.Place" "drainldd.Profile"

"drainIdd.Profile.Region" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

; Lightly Doped Source

(isedr:define-refinement-window "sourceldd.Profile.Region" "Rectangle" (position (+

1.184 0.01685) 0.4 0) (position 1.59 -0.6 0))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "sourceldd.Profile" "BoronActiveConcentration" "PeakPos" 0 "PeakVal" 2.15e18 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.03 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.1)

(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "sourceldd.Profile.Place" "sourceldd.Profile" "sourceldd.Profile.Region" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

; Vt IMPLANT

(isedr:define-refinement-window "implant.Profile.Region" "Rectangle" (position 1.175 0.4 0.0165) (position 1.115 -0.6 0.0165))

(isedr:define-gaussian-profile "implant.Profile" "ArsenicActiveConcentration" "PeakPos"0 "PeakVal" 5e18 "ValueAtDepth" 1e17 "Depth" 0.0165 "Gauss" "Factor" 0.0001)

(isedr:define-analytical-profile-placement "implant.Profile.Place" "implant.Profile" "implant.Profile.Region" "Symm" "NoReplace" "Eval")

;;bulk meshing

; Meshing Strategy:

(isedr:define-refinement-size "size.whole" 0.25 0.3 0.25 0.1 0.1 0.05)

(isedr:define-refinement-window "window.whole" "Cuboid" (position -1.21 2 0)

(position 3.5 -2 5))

(isedr:define-refinement-placement "placement.whole" "size.whole" "window.whole") (isedr:define-refinement-size "size.well" 0.1 0.1 0.05 0.05 0.05 0.05)

(isedr:define-refinement-function "size.well" "DopingConcentration" "MaxTransDiff" 1)

(isedr:define-refinement-window "window.well" "Cuboid" (position 0.29 0.77 0)

(position 2 1.05 0.1))

(isedr:define-refinement-placement "placement.well" "size.well" "window.well")

(isedr:define-refinement-size "size.dopingmesh1" 0.1 0.1 0.05 0.025 0.025 0.025)

(isedr:define-refinement-function "size.dopingmesh1" "DopingConcentration"

"MaxTransDiff" 1)

(isedr:define-refinement-window "window.dopingmesh1" "Cuboid" (position 0.7 0.4 0) (position 1.59 -0.6 0.1))

(isedr:define-refinement-placement "placement.dopingmesh1" "size.dopingmesh1" "window.dopingmesh1")

(isedr:define-refinement-size "size.dopingmesh2" 0.075 0.075 0.05 0.005 0.01 0.005)
(isedr:define-refinement-function "size.dopingmesh2" "DopingConcentration"
"MaxTransDiff" 1)

(isedr:define-refinement-window "window.dopingmesh2" "Cuboid" (position 1.215 0.4

0) (position 1.075 -0.6 0.1))

(isedr:define-refinement-placement "placement.dopingmesh2" "size.dopingmesh2"

"window.dopingmesh2")

(ise:save-model "PMOS")

Dessis file for 3D mixed-mode D Flip Flop simulation

This file contains the setup for the mixed-mode single event D flip flop simulations,

including the netlist for the D flip flop

DEVICE NFET1 {

File {

Grid = "NMOS16_msh.grd"
Doping = "NMOS16_msh.dat"
Param = "dessis.par"
}

Electrode {

{ Name="Drain"	Voltage=0.0 }
{ Name="Gate"	Voltage=0.0 }
{ Name="Source"	Voltage=0.0 }
{ Name="PWell"	Voltage=0.0 }
{ Name="Substrate"	Voltage=0.0 }
}	

Physics {

Recombination(SRH Auger) #TPA_gen

Mobility(Phumob HighFieldsat Enormal)

EffectiveIntrinsicDensity(OldSlotboom)

Fermi

HeavyIon(

time=36e-9

length=5

wt_hi=0.05

location=(-0.268,0.4,0)

direction=(0,-1,0.577)

LET_f=0.0345

Gaussian

Picocoulomb)

}

Plot {

Potential Electricfield

eDensity hDensity

eCurrent/Vector hCurrent/Vector

TotalCurrent/Vector

SRH Auger Avalanche

eMobility hMobility

eQuasiFermi hQuasiFermi

eGradQuasiFermi hGradQuasiFermi

eEparallel hEparallel

eMobility hMobility

eVelocity hVelocity

DonorConcentration Acceptorconcentration

Doping SpaceCharge ConductionBand ValenceBand BandGap Affinity xMoleFraction eTemperature hTemperature HeavyIonChargeDensity } Math {

WallClock

}

Extrapolate

Derivatives

RelErrControl

Iterations=15

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notdamped=100
```

Newdiscretization

Method=ILS

RecBoxIntegr

number_of_threads=2

}

File {

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Output = "dffFlog"
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SPICEPath = "." ###path where your spice models are ###

Plot = "dffFplot.dat" Current = "dffFcurrent.plt" } System { Vsource_pset DINPUT (D 0) {pwl=(0.0e+00 1.2 1.5e-9 0 16.5e-9 0 18e-9 1.2 33e-9 1.2 34.5e-9 0 50e-9 0) } Vsource_pset CLOCK (CLK 0) {pwl=(0.0e+00 0 2e-9 0 3.5e-9 1.2 12e-9 1.2 13.5e-9 0 22e-9 0 23.5e-9 1.2 32e-9 1.2

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33.5e-9 0
50e-9 0
)
}
Vsource_pset VDD (HIGH 0) {dc = 1.2} ###voltage source (HIGH 0) are
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node names###

###This is the TCAD device,I am referencing the device above, and connecting the electrodes to spice nodes###

###These are spice transistors, NMOS13 & PMOS13 are the names from the spice model file, M0-M39 is the name I give it here (drain gate source bulk) ###

NMOS13M0
$$(Q G21 0 0)$$
 $\{w = 0.46e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$ $pd = 1.885e-6 \ ps = 1.885e-6 \ ad = 2.19e-13 \ as = 2.19e-13 \}$ NMOS13M1 $(QBAR G25 0 0)$ $\{w = 0.46e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$ $pd = 1.885e-6 \ ps = 1.885e-6 \ ad = 2.19e-13 \ as = 2.19e-13 \}$ NMOS13M2 $(G24 \ HIGH \ G11 \ 0)$ $\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$ $pd = 3.225e-6 \ ps = 3.225e-6 \ ad = 5.72e-13 \ as = 5.72e-13 \}$ NMOS13M3 $(G11 \ G23 \ G10 \ 0)$ $\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$

pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

- NMOS13 M4 (G10 G22 0 0) { $w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$ pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}
- NMOS13 M5 (G9 G24 0 0) $\{w = 1.13e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6\}$

NMOS13 M6 (G8 HIGH G9 0) {
$$w = 1.13e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 M7 (G23 CLK G8 0) {
$$w = 1.13e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 M8 (G26 CLK G7 0) {
$$w = 1.13e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 M9 (G7 G23 G6 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6\}$$

pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 M10 (G6 G22 0 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6$$

$$pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13$$

NMOS13 M11 (G5 D 0 0) {
$$w = 1.13e-6 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 M12 (G4 HIGH G5 0) {
$$w = 1.13e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 M13 (G22 G26 G4 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6\}$$

NMOS13 M14 (G25 G23 G3 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

$$pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13$$

- NMOS13 M15 (G3 HIGH G2 0) { $w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$ pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}
- # NMOS13 M16 (G2 G21 0 0) $\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$

#

$$pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13$$

NMOS13 M17 (G1 G26 0 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

NMOS13 M18 (G0 HIGH G1 0) {
$$w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 M19 (G21 G25 G0 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 3.225e-6 \ ps = 3.225e-6 \ ad = 5.72e-13 \ as = 5.72e-13\}$$

PMOS13 M20 (G24 HIGH HIGH HIGH) {
$$w = 1.47e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13}

PMOS13 M21 (G24 G23 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 3.905e-6 \ ps = 3.905e-6 \ ad = 7.52e-13 \ as = 7.52e-13 \}$$

PMOS13 M22 (G24 G22 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13 $\}$

PMOS13 M23 (G23 G24 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13 $\}$

PMOS13 M24 (G23 HIGH HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13 $\}$

PMOS13 M25 (G23 CLK HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13 $\}$

PMOS13 M26 (G26 CLK HIGH HIGH) $\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$

pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13}

PMOS13 M27 (G26 G23 HIGH HIGH) $\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 3.905e-6 \ ps = 3.905e-6 \ ad = 7.52e-13 \ as = 7.52e-13\}$

PMOS13 M28 (G26 G22 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 3.905e-6 \ ps = 3.905e-6 \ ad = 7.52e-13 \ as = 7.52e-13 \}$$

PMOS13 M29 (G22 D HIGH HIGH) {
$$w = 1.47e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13}

PMOS13 M30 (G22 HIGH HIGH HIGH) {
$$w = 1.47e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13}

PMOS13 M31 (G22 G26 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 3.905e-6 \ ps = 3.905e-6 \ ad = 7.52e-13 \ as = 7.52e-13\}$$

PMOS13 M32 (G25 G23 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13 $\}$

PMOS13 M33 (G25 HIGH HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13 $\}$

PMOS13 M34 (G25 G21 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 3.905e-6 \ ps = 3.905e-6 \ ad = 7.52e-13 \ as = 7.52e-13\}$$

PMOS13 M35 (G21 G26 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 3.905e-6 \ ps = 3.905e-6 \ ad = 7.52e-13 \ as = 7.52e-13\}$$

PMOS13 M36 (G21 HIGH HIGH HIGH) {
$$w = 1.47e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13}

PMOS13 M37 (G21 G25 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13 $\}$

####this is initializes the node outright to 0 volts, look at the manual for more information###

###this is for the spice .plt file###

Plot "dffF" (time() v(HIGH) v(D) v(CLK) v(Q) v(QBAR) v(G26) v(G25) v(G23) v(G21) v(G2))

}

 $Solve \{$

```
Coupled (iterations=100) {Circuit}
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Coupled (iterations=100) {Poisson}

Coupled (iterations=100) {Poisson Circuit}

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Coupled (iterations=100) {Poisson Circuit Contact}
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```
Coupled (iterations=100) {Poisson Hole Contact Circuit}
```

Coupled (iterations=100) {Poisson Electron Hole Contact Circuit}

NewCurrentFile="transientdffF"

Transient (

```
InitialTime=0 FinalTime=35.9e-9
```

```
InitialStep=1e-12 MaxStep=7.5e-11 Increment=1.2)
```

{

coupled {device1.poisson device1.electron device1.hole device1.contact

circuit}

}

Transient (

```
InitialTime=35.9e-9 FinalTime=36.5e-9
InitialStep=1e-12 MaxStep=2.5e-12 Increment=1.2 )
{
```

coupled {device1.poisson device1.electron device1.hole device1.contact circuit}

```
Plot ( FilePrefix="imF" Time=(36e-9;36.05e-9;36.1e-9;36.15e-9;36.2e-
```

```
9;36.3e-9;36.5e-9) NoOverwrite)
```

}

Transient (

InitialTime=36.5e-9 FinalTime=50e-9

InitialStep=1e-12 MaxStep=7.5e-11

Increment=1.2)

{

coupled{device1.poisson device1.electron device1.hole device1.contact circuit}

Plot (FilePrefix="laterF" Time=(37e-9;38e-9;40e-9) NoOverwrite)

}

}

Dessis file for 3D mixed-mode DICE Latch simulation

This file contains the setup for the mixed-mode single event DICE Latch simulations,

including the netlist for the DICE latch

DEVICE NFET1 {

File {

Grid = "NMOS_msh.grd" Doping = "NMOS_msh.dat" Param = "dessis.par"

}

Electrode {

{ Name="Drain1"	Voltage=0 }
{ Name="Gate1"	Voltage=0 }
{ Name="Source1"	Voltage=0 }
{ Name="Drain2"	Voltage=0 }
{ Name="Gate2"	Voltage=0 }
{ Name="Source2"	Voltage=0 }
{ Name="Pwell"	Voltage=0 }
{ Name="Substrate"	Voltage=0 }

}

Physics {

```
Recombination(SRH Auger) #TPA_gen
    Mobility( Phumob HighFieldsat Enormal)
    EffectiveIntrinsicDensity( OldSlotboom )
    Fermi
    HeavyIon(
    time=7e-9
    length=5
    wt_hi=0.05
    location=(-0.885,0.1,0)
    direction=(1,0,1)
    LET_f=0.3128
    Gaussian
    Picocoulomb)
     }
Plot {
```

Potential Electricfield

eDensity hDensity

eCurrent/Vector hCurrent/Vector

TotalCurrent/Vector

SRH Auger Avalanche

eMobility hMobility

eQuasiFermi hQuasiFermi

eGradQuasiFermi hGradQuasiFermi

eEparallel hEparallel

eMobility hMobility

eVelocity hVelocity

DonorConcentration Acceptorconcentration

Doping SpaceCharge

ConductionBand ValenceBand

BandGap Affinity

xMoleFraction

eTemperature hTemperature

HeavyIonChargeDensity

}

}

Math {

WallClock

Extrapolate

Derivatives

RelErrControl

Iterations=15

notdamped=100

Newdiscretization

Method=ILS

```
RecBoxIntegr
    number_of_threads=2
    }
File {
    Output = "dice2Alog"
    SPICEPath = "." ###path where your spice models are ###
    Plot = "dice2Aplot.dat"
    Current = "dice2Acurrent.plt"
    }
System
           {
           Vsource_pset DATA (D 0)
                                           {pwl=(
                                           0.0e+00 1.2
                                           2e-9 1.2
                                           2.2e-9 0
                                           20e-9 0
                                           )
                                           }
    Vsource_pset CLOCK
                              (CLK 0)
                                           pwl=(
                                           0.0e+00 0
                                           4e-9
                                                  0
                                           4.2e-9 1.2
                                           20e-9 1.2
                                           )
```

Vsource_pset VDD (HIGH 0) {dc = 1.2} ###voltage source (HIGH 0) are node names###

}

Vsource_pset PRESET (PRE 0) {dc = 1.2} ###voltage source (HIGH 0) are node names### Vsource_pset CLEAR (CLR 0) {dc = 1.2} ###voltage

source (HIGH 0) are node names###

###This is the TCAD device,I am referencing the device above, and connecting the electrodes to spice nodes##

NFET1	device1	("Drain2"=N1		
	"Gate2"=C	"Gate2"=CLKB1		
	"Source2"=	"Source2"=N241		
	"Drain1"=N2			
	"Gate1"=C	LK		
	"Source1"=	=N257		
	"Substrate'	'=0		
	"Pwell"=0))		

###These are spice transistors, NMOS13 & PMOS13 are the names from the spice model file, M0-M39 is the name I give it here (drain gate source bulk) ###

NMOS13 MN1 (QBAR N137 0 0) {w = 1.42e-6 1 = 0.12e-6 pd = 3.805e-6 ps = 3.805e-6 ad = 7.25e-13 as = 7.25e-13}

- NMOS13 MN2 (Q N7 0 0) { $w = 1.42e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6$ pd = 3.805e-6 ps = 3.805e-6 ad = 7.25e-13 as = 7.25e-13}
- NMOS13 MN3 (N7 N5 N153 0) { $w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$ pd = 2.565e-6 ps = 2.565e-6 ad = 3.98e-13 as = 3.98e-13}

NMOS13 MN4 (N153 CLR 0 0) {
$$w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 2.565e-6 ps = 2.565e-6 ad = 3.98e-13 as = 3.98e-13}

NMOS13 MN5 (N137 N8 0 0) {
$$w = 0.46e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 1.885e-6 ps = 1.885e-6 ad = 2.19e-13 as = 3.98e-13}

NMOS13 MN6 (N8 N6 N173 0) {
$$w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 2.565e-6 ps = 2.565e-6 ad = 3.98e-13 as = 3.98e-13}

NMOS13 MN7 (N173 CLR 0 0)
$$\{w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

NMOS13 MN8 (N5 CLK N161 0) {
$$w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 2.565e-6 ps = 2.565e-6 ad = 3.98e-13 as = 3.98e-13}

NMOS13 MN9 (N161 N2 0 0)
$$\{w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

NMOS13 MN10 (N5 CLKB1 N181 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

$$pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13$$

NMOS13 MN11 (N181 N8 N177 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

NMOS13 MN12 (N177 PRE 0 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 MN13 (N6 CLKB2 N145 0) {w = 1.13e-6 1 = 0.12e-6

pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 MN14 (N145 N7 N149 0) {w = 1.13e-6 1 = 0.12e-6 pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 MN15 (N149 PRE 0 0) {
$$w = 1.13e-6 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 MN16 (N6 CLK N189 0) {
$$w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 2.565e-6 ps = 2.565e-6 ad = 3.98e-13 as = 3.98e-13}

NMOS13 MN17 (N189 N1 0 0)
$$\{w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

NMOS13 MN18 (N2 CLK N257 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

$$pd = 3.225e-6 \ ps = 3.225e-6 \ ad = 5.72e-13 \ as = 5.72e-13$$

NMOS13 MN19 (N257 N3 N253 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

NMOS13 MN20 (N253 CLR 0 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

NMOS13 MN21 (N2 CLKB2 N209 0) {
$$w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 2.565e-6 ps = 2.565e-6 ad = 3.98e-13 as = 3.98e-13}

NMOS13 MN22 (N209 D 0 0)
$$\{w = 0.80e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6$$

NMOS13 MN23 (CLKB1 CLK 0 0)
$$\{w = 0.46e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6$$

NMOS13 MN24 (CLKB2 CLK 0 0)
$$\{w = 0.46e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

$$pd = 1.885e-6 ps = 1.885e-6 ad = 2.19e-13 as = 3.98e-13$$

NMOS13 MN25 (N1 CLK N217 0) {
$$w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13}

NMOS13 MN26 (N217 N4 N221 0) {
$$w = 1.13e-6 = 0.12e-6$$

nd = 3 225e-6 ns = 3 225e-6 ad = 5 72e-13 as = 5 72e-13}

$$pu = 5.225e-0 \ ps = 5.225e-0 \ au = 5.72e-15 \ as = 5.72e-15$$

NMOS13 MN27 (N221 CLR 0 0)
$$\{w = 1.13e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

$$pd = 3.225e-6 ps = 3.225e-6 ad = 5.72e-13 as = 5.72e-13$$

NMOS13 MN28 (N1 CLKB1 N241 0)
$$\{w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

$$pd = 2.565e-6 \ ps = 2.565e-6$$
 $ad = 3.98e-13 \ as = 3.98e-13$ }

NMOS13 MN29 (N241 D 0 0)
$$\{w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$$

NMOS13 MN30 (N4 N2 N225 0)
$$\{w = 0.80e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6\}$$

NMOS13 MN31 (N225 PRE 0 0)
$$\{w = 0.80e-6 \ l = 0.12e-6\}$$

NMOS13 MN32 (N3 N1 N249 0)
$$\{w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

NMOS13 MN33 (N249 PRE 0 0)
$$\{w = 0.80e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

PMOS13 MP1 (QBAR N137 HIGH HIGH) {
$$w = 4.3e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 9.565e-6 ps = 9.565e-6 ad = 2.245e-12 as = 2.245e-12}

PMOS13 MP2 (Q N7 HIGH HIGH) {
$$w = 4.3e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6

pd = 9.565e-6 ps = 9.565e-6 ad = 2.245e-12 as = 2.245e-12}

PMOS13 MP3 (N7 N6 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13

- PMOS13 MP4 (N7 CLR HIGH HIGH) $\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$ pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13 $\}$
- PMOS13 MP5 (N137 N8 HIGH HIGH) {w = 1.47e-6 1 = 0.12e-6pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13}
- PMOS13 MP6 (N8 CLR HIGH HIGH) $\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$ pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13 $\}$

PMOS13 MP7 (N8 N5 HIGH HIGH) {
$$w = 1.47e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13}

PMOS13 MP8 (N5 CLKB1 N32 HIGH)
$$\{w = 2.85e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 6.665e-6 \ ps = 6.665e-6 \ ad = 1.48e-12 \ as = 1.48e-12\}$$

PMOS13 MP9 (N32 N2 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 2.85e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ nd =$$

$$pd = 0.005e-0 \ ps = 0.005e-0 \ ad = 1.48e-12 \ as = 1.48e-12$$

PMOS13 MP10 (N5 CLK N0471 HIGH) {w = 2.85e-6 1 = 0.12e-6 pd = 6.665e-6 ps = 6.665e-6 ad = 1.48e-12 as = 1.48e-12}

PMOS13 MP11 (N0471 N7 HIGH HIGH) {
$$w = 2.85e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 6.665e-6 ps = 6.665e-6 ad = 1.48e-12 as = 1.48e-12}

- PMOS13 MP12 (N5 PRE HIGH HIGH) {w = 1.47e-6 1 = 0.12e-6 pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13 }
- PMOS13 MP13 (N6 CLKB2 N64 HIGH) $\{w = 2.85e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 6.665e-6 \ ps = 6.665e-6 \ ad = 1.48e-12 \ as = 1.48e-12\}$
- PMOS13 MP14 (N64 N1 HIGH HIGH) $\{w = 2.85e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 6.665e-6 \ ps = 6.665e-6 \ ad = 1.48e-12 \ as = 1.48e-12\}$

- PMOS13 MP15 (N6 CLK N0435 HIGH) { $w = 2.85e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$ pd = 6.665e-6 ps = 6.665e-6 ad = 1.48e-12 as = 1.48e-12}
- PMOS13 MP16 (N0435 N8 HIGH HIGH) $\{w = 2.85e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 6.665e-6 \ ps = 6.665e-6 \ ad = 1.48e-12 \ as = 1.48e-12\}$
- PMOS13 MP17 (N6 PRE HIGH HIGH) $\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 3.905e-6 \ ps = 3.905e-6 \ ad = 7.52e-13 \ as = 7.52e-13\}$

PMOS13 MP18 (N2 CLK N76 HIGH) {
$$w = 2.85e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 6.665e-6 ps = 6.665e-6 ad = 1.48e-12 as = 1.48e-12}

PMOS13 MP19 (N76 D HIGH HIGH) {
$$w = 2.85e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 6.665e-6 ps = 6.665e-6 ad = 1.48e-12 as = 1.48e-12}

PMOS13 MP20 (N2 CLR HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 3.905e-6 \ ps = 3.905e-6 \ ad = 7.52e-13 \ as = 7.52e-13\}$$

- PMOS13 MP21 (N2 CLKB2 N0551 HIGH) {w = 2.85e-6 = 1 = 0.12e-6pd = 6.665e-6 ps = 6.665e-6 ad = 1.48e-12 as = 1.48e-12}
- PMOS13 MP22 (N0551 N4 HIGH HIGH) $\{w = 2.85e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 6.665e-6 \ ps = 6.665e-6 \ ad = 1.48e-12 \ as = 1.48e-12\}$
- PMOS13 MP23 (CLKB1 CLK HIGH HIGH) {w = 1.47e-6 1 = 0.12e-6 pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13}
- PMOS13 MP24 (CLKB2 CLK HIGH HIGH) {w = 1.47e-6 1 = 0.12e-6 pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13}
- PMOS13 MP25 (N1 CLR HIGH HIGH) $\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6$ pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13 $\}$
- PMOS13 MP26 (N1 CLKB1 N0515 HIGH) $\{w = 2.85e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$

pd = 6.665e-6 ps = 6.665e-6 ad = 1.48e-12 as = 1.48e-12}

PMOS13 MP27 (N0515 N3 HIGH HIGH) {w = 2.85e-6 = 1 = 0.12e-6pd = 6.665e-6 ps = 6.665e-6 ad = 1.48e-12 as = 1.48e-12}

PMOS13 MP28 (N1 CLK N112 HIGH)
$$\{w = 2.85e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 6.665e-6 \ ps = 6.665e-6 \ ad = 1.48e-12 \ as = 1.48e-12\}$$

PMOS13 MP29 (N112 D HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 2.85e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 6.665e-6 \ ps = 6.665e-6 \ ad = 1.48e-12 \ as = 1.48e-12\}$$

PMOS13 MP30 (N4 N1 HIGH HIGH) {
$$w = 1.47e-6$$
 1 = 0.12e-6
pd = 3.905e-6 ps = 3.905e-6 ad = 7.52e-13 as = 7.52e-13}

PMOS13 MP31 (N4 PRE HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 3.905e-6 \ ps = 3.905e-6 \ ad = 7.52e-13 \ as = 7.52e-13\}$$

PMOS13 MP32 (N3 N2 HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6\}$$

PMOS13 MP33 (N3 PRE HIGH HIGH)
$$\{w = 1.47e-6 \ 1 = 0.12e-6 \ pd = 3.905e-6 \ ps = 3.905e-6 \ ad = 7.52e-13 \ as = 7.52e-13\}$$

####this is initializes the node outright to 0 volts, look at the manual for more information###

###this is for the spice .plt file###

Plot "dice2A" (time() v(Q) v(QBAR) v(PRE) v(N2) v(CLK) v(N257) v(N3) v(N253) v(CLR) v(N1) v(CLKB1) v(N241) v(D) v(N137) v(N6) v(N8) v(N5) v(N32) v(N0471) v(N7) v(N64) v(N0435) v(N0551) v(N4) v(N0515) v(N161) v(N189) v(N209) v(N217) v(N221))

}

Solve{

```
Coupled (iterations=100) {Circuit}

Coupled (iterations=100) {Poisson}

Coupled (iterations=100) {Poisson Circuit}

Coupled (iterations=100) {Poisson Circuit Contact}

Coupled (iterations=100) {Poisson Hole Contact Circuit}

Coupled (iterations=100) {Poisson Electron Hole Contact Circuit}

NewCurrentFile="transientdice2A"

Transient (

InitialTime=0 FinalTime=1.99e-9
```

```
InitialStep=1e-12 MaxStep=7.5e-11 Increment=1.2)
```

{

```
coupled {device1.poisson device1.electron device1.hole device1.contact circuit}
```

```
}
```

```
Transient (
```

```
InitialTime=1.99e-9 FinalTime=2.21e-9
InitialStep=1e-12 MaxStep=2.5e-12 Increment=1.2)
```

{

```
coupled {device1.poisson device1.electron device1.hole device1.contact circuit}
```

```
}
```

Transient (

```
InitialTime=2.21e-9 FinalTime=3.99e-9
InitialStep=2.5e-12 MaxStep=7.5e-11 Increment=1.2)
```

coupled {device1.poisson device1.electron device1.hole device1.contact circuit}

}

```
Transient (
```

```
InitialTime=3.99e-9 FinalTime=4.21e-9
```

InitialStep=1e-12 MaxStep=2.5e-12 Increment=1.2)

{

coupled {device1.poisson device1.electron device1.hole device1.contact circuit}

```
}
```

Transient (

```
InitialTime=4.21e-9 FinalTime=6.99e-9
InitialStep=1e-12 MaxStep=7.5e-11 Increment=1.2)
```

{

coupled {device1.poisson device1.electron device1.hole device1.contact circuit}

}

Transient (

```
InitialTime=6.99e-9 FinalTime=7.5e-9
```

```
InitialStep=1e-12 MaxStep=2.5e-12 Increment=1.2 )
```

{

coupled{device1.poisson device1.electron device1.hole device1.contact circuit}

```
Plot ( FilePrefix="imdice2A" Time=(7e-9;7.05e-9;7.1e-9;7.25e-9;7.5e-9)
NoOverwrite)
```

```
}
```

Transient (

```
InitialTime=7.5e-9 FinalTime=20e-9
InitialStep=2.5e-12 MaxStep=7.5e-11 Increment=1.2)
```

coupled{device1.poisson device1.electron device1.hole device1.contact circuit}

```
Plot (FilePrefix="laterdice2A" Time=(7.8e-9;8.5e-9) NoOverwrite)
```

```
}
```

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