

# Design of Low Power Binary Multiplier

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**Abstract:** In today's world of electronics industries low power has emerged as a principal theme. For integrated Chip, Power dissipation has become an important consideration as performance and area design. Due to increased complexity, reducing power consumption and over all power management of the IC are the key challenges. The need to reduce package cost and extended battery life is emphasis for many designs along with optimization of power and timing. Multipliers play a vital role in the computation part of ALU. Binary multiplication by digital circuits requires the generation of partial products, addition of partial product by reduction tree until two partial product rows remain and adding of partial product rows by an adder. In this project a low power binary multiplier is designed using voltage scaling technique.

**Keywords:** Multiplier, Power Dissipation, Voltage scaling, ALU

## I. INTRODUCTION

A multiplier is one of the key hardware blocks in most digital and high performance systems such as FIR filters, digital signal processors and microprocessors etc. With advances in technology, many researchers have tried and are trying to design multipliers which offer either of the following- high speed, low power consumption, regularity of layout and hence less area or even combination of them in multiplier. Thus making them suitable for various high speed, low power, and compact VLSI implementations. However area and speed are two conflicting constraints. So improving speed results always in larger areas. So here we try to find out the best trade off solution among the both of them. Generally as we know multiplication goes in two basic steps. Partial product and then addition. Hence in this project we have first tried to design different adders and compare their speed and complexity of circuit i.e. the area occupied. And then we have designed the Binary multiplier.

## II. MOTIVATION

As the scale of integration keeps growing, more and more sophisticated signal processing systems are being implemented on a VLSI chip. These signal processing applications not only demand great computation capacity but also consume considerable amount of energy. While performance and Area remain to be the two major design tolls, power consumption has become a critical concern in today's VLSI system design. The need for low-power VLSI system arises from two main forces. First, with the steady growth of

operating frequency and processing capacity per chip, large currents have to be delivered and the heat due to large power consumption must be removed by proper cooling techniques. Second, battery life in portable electronic devices is limited. Low power design directly leads to prolonged operation time in these portable devices. Multiplication is a fundamental operation in most signal processing algorithms. Multipliers have large area, long latency and consume considerable power. Therefore low-power multiplier design has been an important part in low- power VLSI system design. There has been extensive work on low-power multipliers at technology, physical, circuit and logic levels. A system's performance is generally determined by the performance of the multiplier because the multiplier is generally the slowest element in the system. Furthermore, it is generally the most area consuming. Hence, optimizing the speed and area of the multiplier is a major design issue. However, area and speed are usually conflicting constraints so that improving speed results mostly in larger areas. As a result, a whole spectrum of multipliers with different area- speed constraints has been designed with fully parallel. Fully Parallel Multipliers at one end of the spectrum and fully serial multipliers at the other end. In between are digit serial multipliers where single digits consisting of several bits are operated on. These multipliers have moderate performance in both speed and area. However, existing digit serial multipliers have been plagued by complicated switching systems and/or irregularities in design. Radix  $2^n$  multipliers which operate on digits in a parallel fashion instead of bits bring the pipelining to the digit level and avoid most of the above problems. These structures are iterative and modular. The pipelining done at the digit level brings the benefit of constant operation speed irrespective of the size of the multiplier. The clock speed is only determined by the digit size which is already fixed before the design is implemented.

Multiplication consists of three steps: generation of partial products or (PPG), reduction of partial products (PPR), and finally carry-propagate addition (CPA). In general there are sequential and combinational multiplier implementations. We only consider combinational case here because the scale of integration now is large enough to accept parallel multiplier implementations in digital VLSI systems. Different multiplication algorithms vary in the approaches of PPG, PPR, and CPA. For PPG, radix-2 is the easiest. To reduce the number of PPs and consequently reduce the area/delay of PP

reduction, one operand is usually recoded into high-radix digit sets. The most popular one is the radix-4 digit set  $\{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$ . For PPR, two alternatives exist: reduction by rows, performed by an array of adders, and reduction by columns, performed by an array of counters. The final CPA requires a fast adder scheme because it is on the *critical path*. In some cases, final CPA is postponed if it is advantageous to keep redundant results from PPG for further arithmetic operations

Multipliers are the key components in the data path which consume huge amount of power and occupy large areas. In multipliers, the power dissipation is huge owing to the power dissipated in the large number of gates which are a part of the multiplier structure. Adder blocks form the building blocks for various multiplier structures. In general, any multiplication operation can be divided into three steps [6]

- 1) Partial Product Generation – With the inputs available generating partial products utilizing a collection of gates.
- 2) Partial Product Reduction – Utilizing the adders to reduce the partial products to sum and carry vectors for further computation.
- 3) Final Carry-Propagate Addition – Adding sum and carry vectors to produce the final result.

A multiplication operation performed on an M-bit number and an N-bit number results in a result with (M + N) number of bits. The figure below shows a basic scheme for an unsigned M x N-bit multiplier [12]

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- 1) Sequential Multipliers – in these types of multipliers, the partial products are generated sequentially and these are added to the previously accumulated sum. The shift and add multipliers are an example of sequential multipliers. The delay of sequential multipliers is very large and so hardly put into use in modern designs.
- 2) Parallel Multipliers – in these types of multipliers, the partial products are generated in parallel and multi operand fast adders are used for accumulation of the product.
- 3) Array Multipliers – these types of multipliers iteratively utilize identical cells that generate new partial products and accumulate them simultaneously.

A multiplier is one of the key hardware blocks in most digital signal processing (DSP) systems. Typical DSP applications where a multiplier plays an important role include digital filtering, digital communications and spectral analysis (Ayman.A et al (2001)). Many current DSP applications are targeted at portable, battery-operated systems, so that power dissipation becomes one of the primary design constraints. Since multipliers are rather complex circuits and must typically operate at a high system clock rate, reducing the delay of a multiplier is an essential part of satisfying the overall design.

### III. IMPLEMENTATION

#### BINARY MULTIPLIER

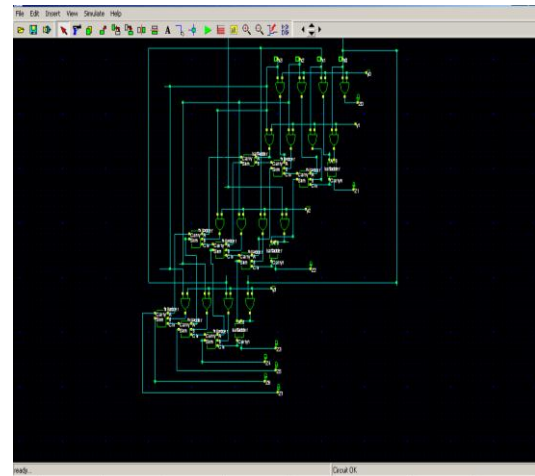


Figure 1: Schematic of 4bit-binary multiplier

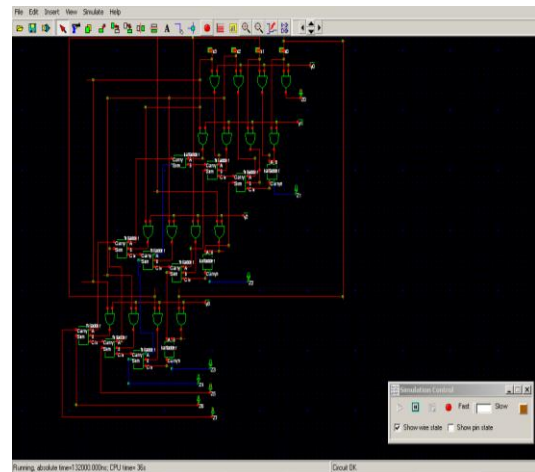


Figure 1a: Schematic of 4bit-binary multiplier with inputs

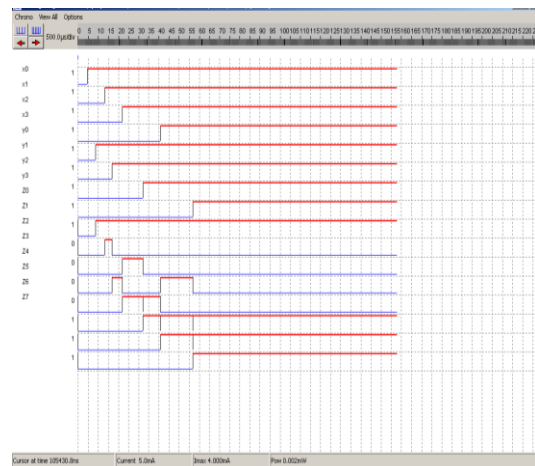


Figure 1b: Timing diagram of 4bit-binary multiplier

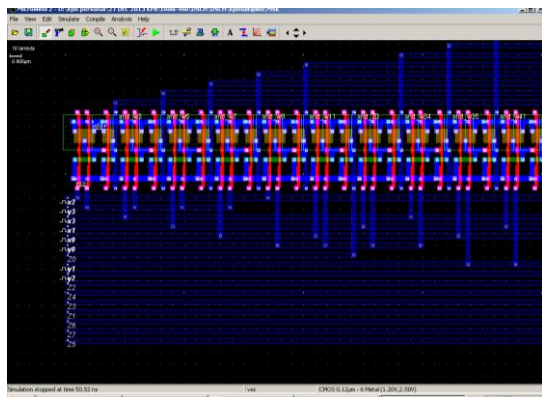


Figure 1c: Layout diagram of 4bit-binary multiplier

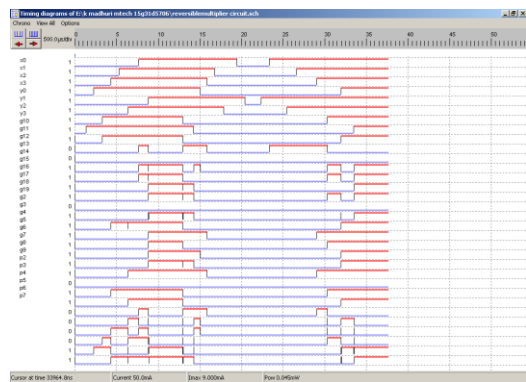


Figure 2b: Timing Diagram of 4bit-Reversible binary multiplier

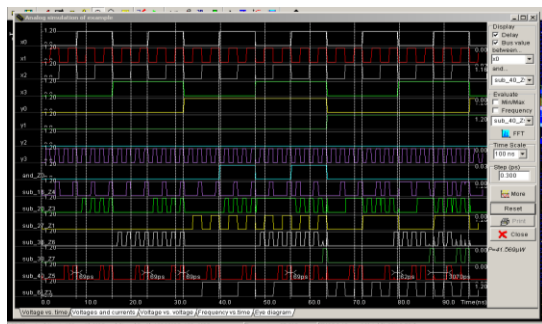


Figure 1d: Power dissipation diagram of 4bit-binary multiplier

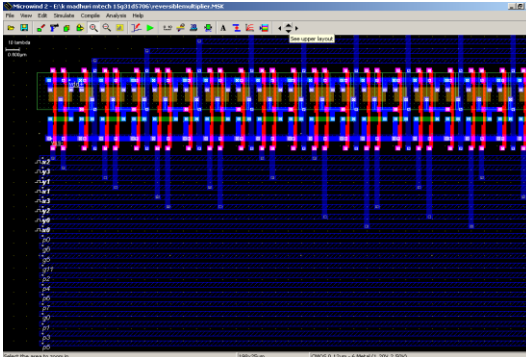


Figure 2c: Layout Diagram of 4bit-Reversible binary multiplier

REVERSIBLE BINARY MULTIPLIER

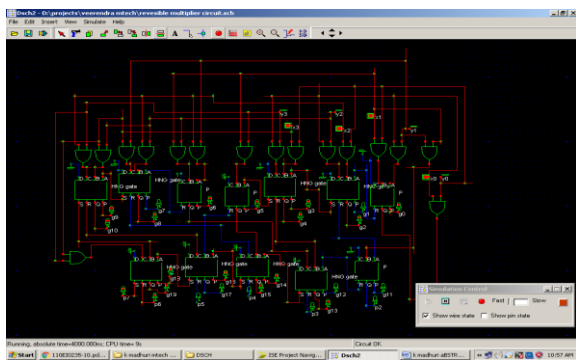


Figure 2: Schematic of 4bit-Reversible binary multiplier

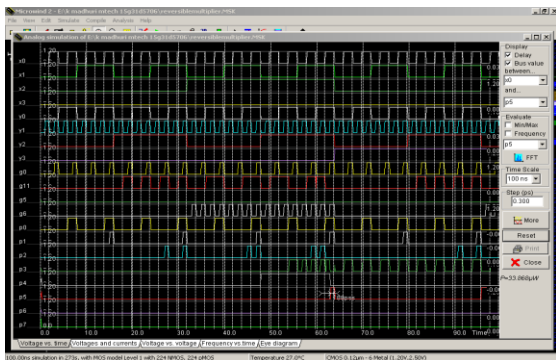


Figure 2d: Power dissipation diagram of 4bit-Reversible binary multiplier

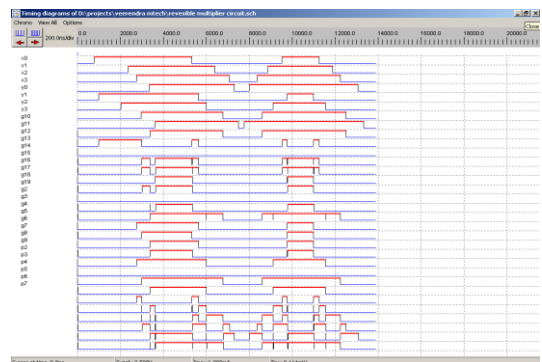


Figure 2a: Timing Diagram of 4bit-Reversible binary multiplier

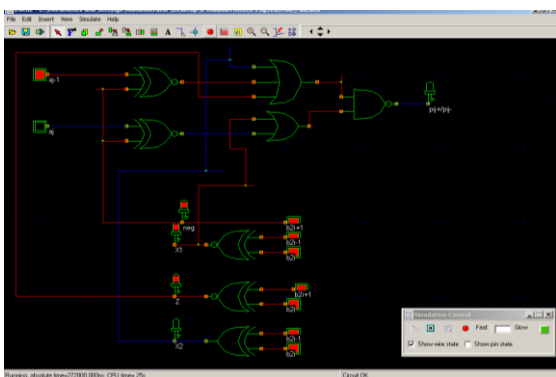


Figure 3: Schematic of MBE



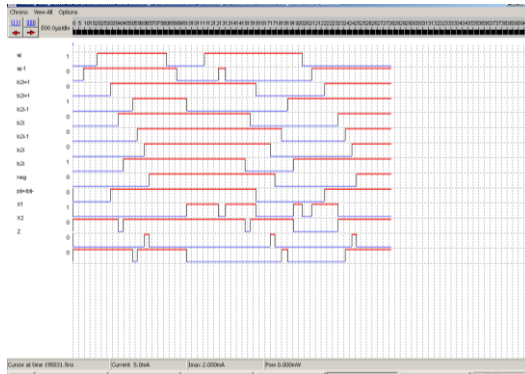


Figure 3a: Timing Diagram of MBE

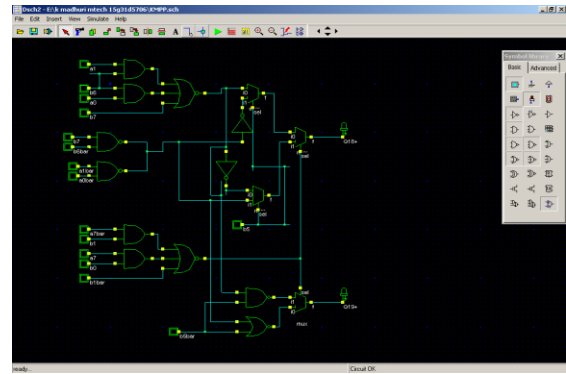


Figure 4 : Schematic of Partial Product generator Q18+ & Q19+

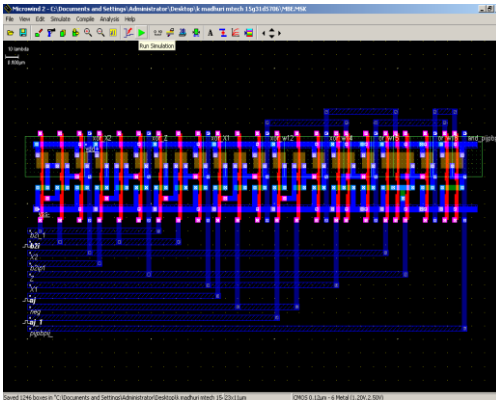


Figure 3b: Layout of MBE

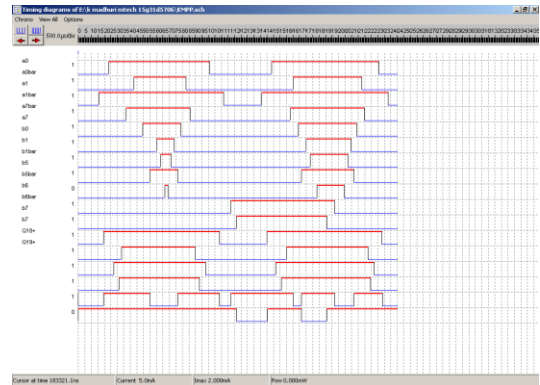


Figure 4a: Timing Diagram of Partial Product generator Q18+ & Q19+

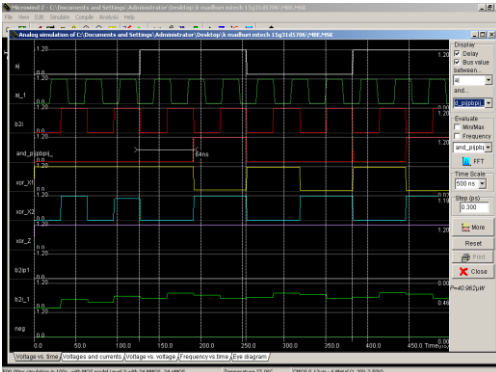


Figure 3c: Power Dissipation of MBE in 120µm technology

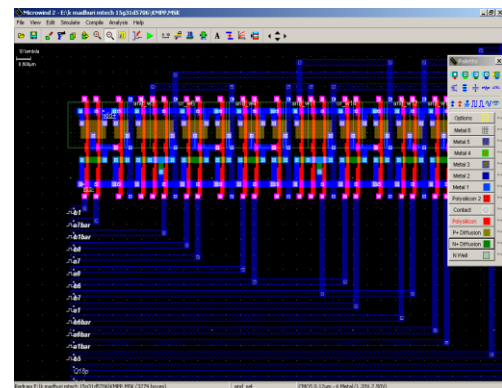


Figure 4b: Layout Diagram of Partial Product generator Q18+ & Q19+

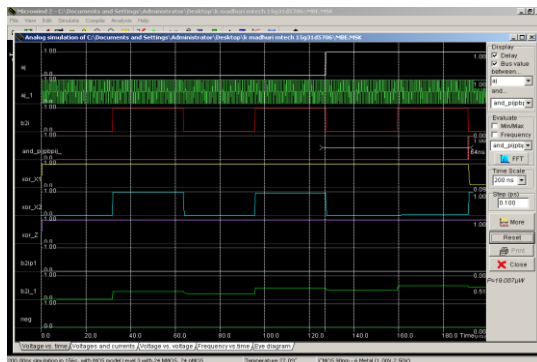


Figure 3d: Power Dissipation of MBE in 90nm technology

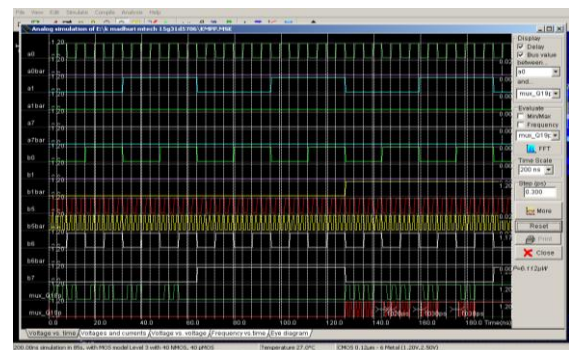
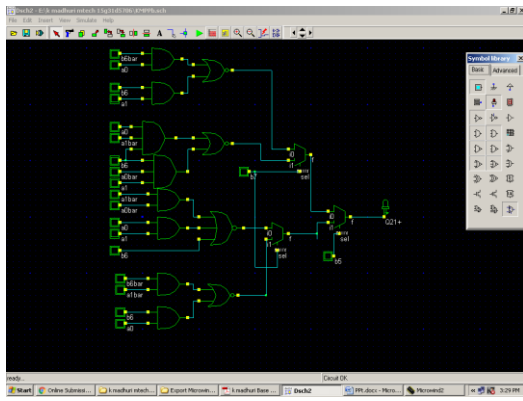
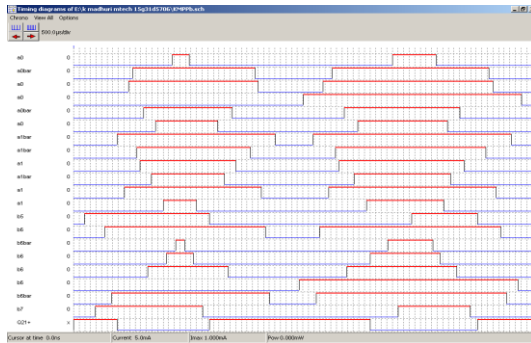
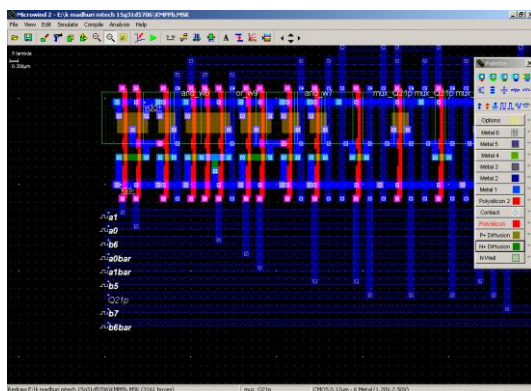
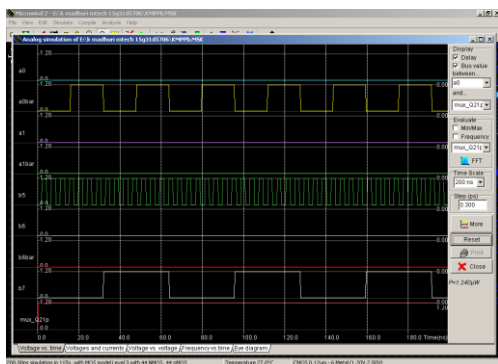


Figure 4c: Power Dissipation Diagram of Partial Product generator Q18+ & Q19+

Figure 4d: Schematic of Partial Product generator Q20<sup>+</sup>Figure 4e : Timing Diagram of Partial Product generator Q20<sup>+</sup>Figure 4f: Layout of Partial Product generator Q20<sup>+</sup>Figure 4h: Power Dissipation of Partial Product generator Q20<sup>+</sup>

## IV. CONCLUSION

From the above results we conclude that using voltage scaling technique there is drastic power reduction in above circuits, which is 30% variation with previous foundry technologies. 90nm foundry technology is having low power dissipation when compared with 120nm foundry technology. FinFet, MIFG mosfets can be used in the above designs as a future scope with very low power dissipation expectation.

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