

Low Power CMOS OTA Design for Biomedical Applications

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Abstract – In this paper designing of MOS Transistors in two stages OTA has been done and simulated in 120nm technology. Layout has done using Microwind 2 and schematic is designed using DSCH software. A comparison has been made between scaled voltage supply and power consumption. The simulation results show that the designed two stages OTA achieves the low power consumption

Keywords— Operational transconductance amplifier (OTA), CMOS, Power consumption, 120nm Technology, Microwind 2, DSCH 2.

I. INTRODUCTION

Operational transconductance amplifier is the differential amplifier with single stage. OTA is having two high input impedance nodes. OTA is a device which converts input voltage to output current. Primarily these are called voltage to current amplifiers. It is denoted as gm . The output current is the difference between the inverting and non inverting voltages is shown in the equation 1.

OTA are mainly used in video applications, intermediate frequency, radio frequency. Other additional applications for OTA are sample and hold, timers, multiplexers broadcast equipment and high speed data acquisition devices.

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In this paper the two stage transconductance amplifier is designed for lower applications like suitable for biomedical applications by using voltage scaling. In the

first stage the difference amplifier has designed as shown in fig.1.

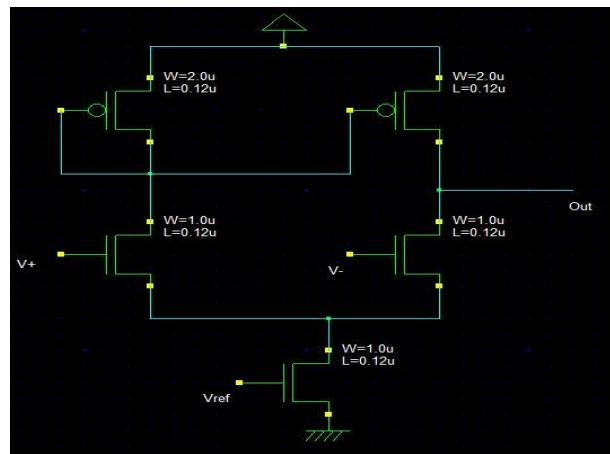


Fig.1 CMOS Differential Amplifier

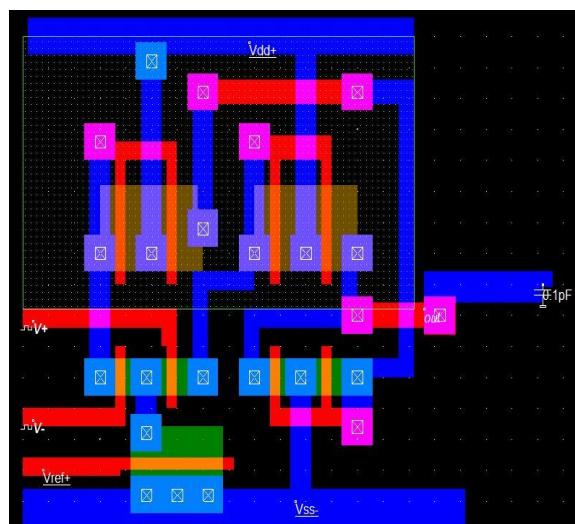


Fig 2. Differential Amplifier Layout

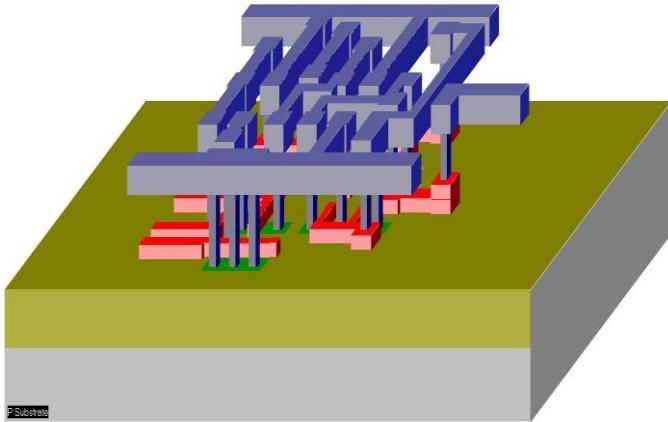


Fig 3. Differential amplifier 3D process view

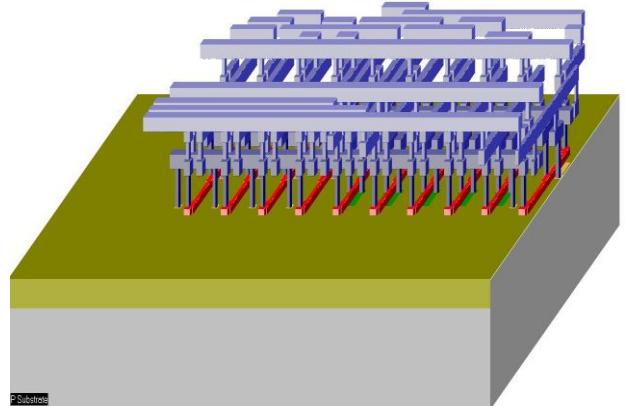


Fig 6. OTA 3D process view

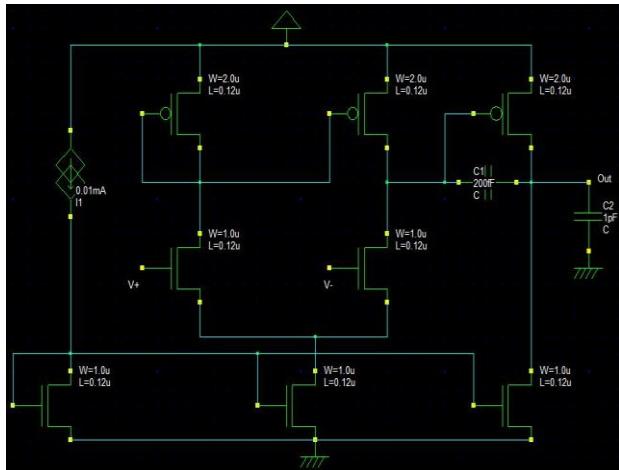


Fig 4. CMOS OTA

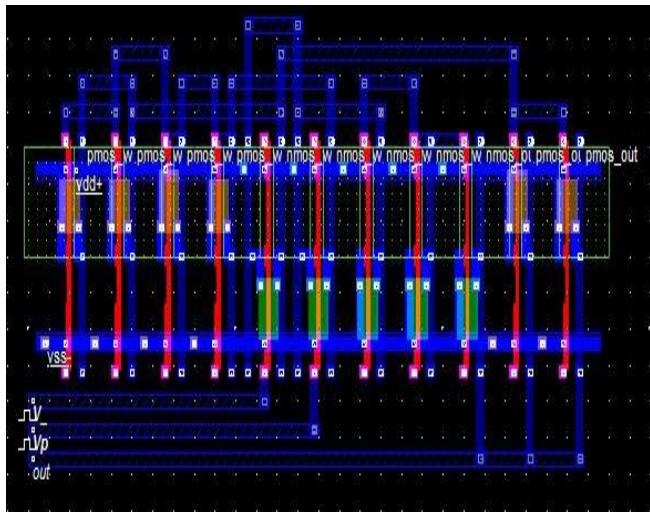


Fig 5. OTA Layout

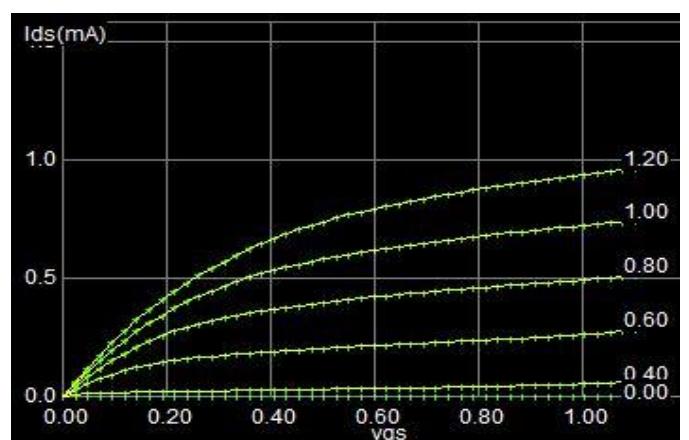


Fig 7. Ids versus Vds characteristics of OTA

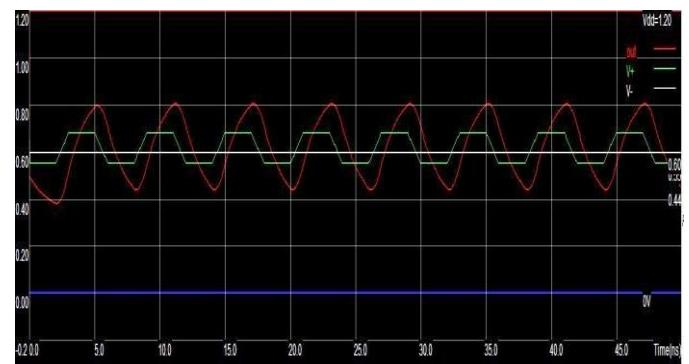


Fig 8. Voltage versus current

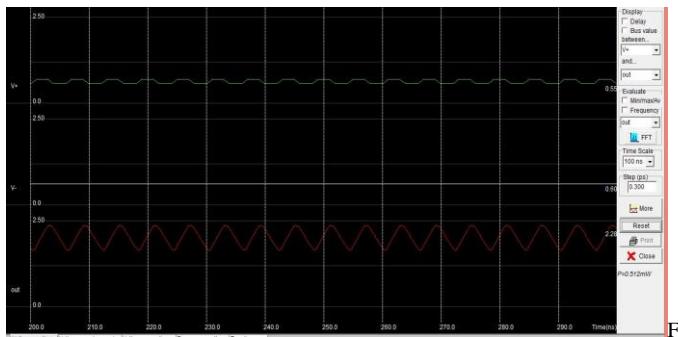


Fig 9. Amplifier simulation waveform at Vdd 2.5V

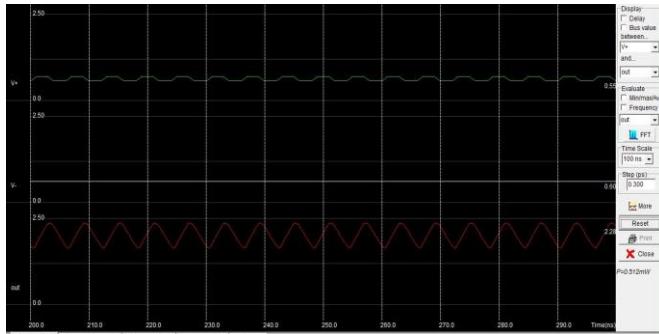


Fig 10. Amplifier simulation waveform at Vdd 1.8V

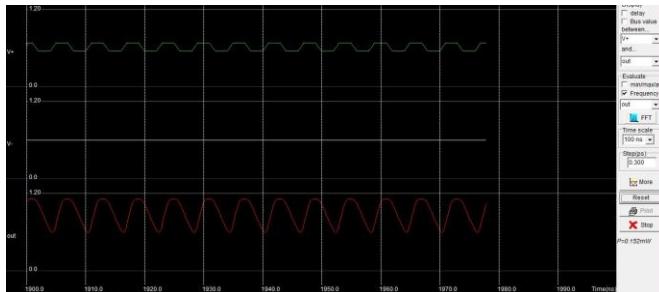
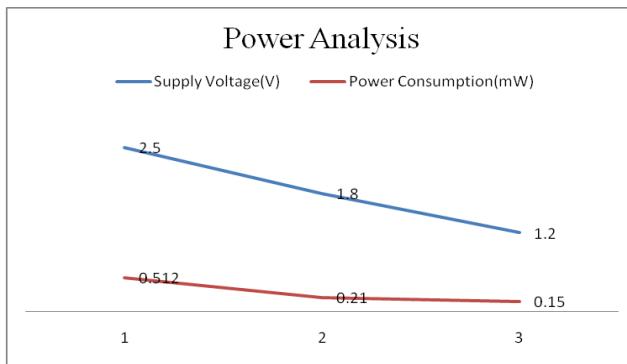


Fig 11. Amplifier simulation waveform at Vdd 1.2V

Table 1: Power analysis

Supply Voltage	Power Consumption
2.5V	0.512mW
1.8V	0.21mW
1.2V	0.15mW



Graph 1. Power analysis

III. CONCLUSION

In this design low power Operational transconductance amplifier has designed by using voltage scaling down and observed reduction in power consumption as follows when supply voltage 2.5V, 1.8V and 1.2 V applied, the power consumption is 0.512mW, 0.21mW, 0.15mW respectively.

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