

PLAN AND ASSESSMENT OF FINFET BASED SRAM CELLS AT 22NM AND 14NM NODE TECHNOLOGIES

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ABSTRACT

In this paper are situation more than 85-90% of the chip territory is for the most part involved by memory. There is a requirement for quicker and solid memory framework for different incorporated gadgets from PCs to different handheld gadgets. The memory gadgets, for example, SRAM, DRAM and so on were served by the customary MOSFETs till to date however as the interest of the better performing and the reduced displaying of the incorporated gadgets are causing the disappointment of MOSFETs activities. The MOSFET scaling is endured by Short Channel Effects (SCE's).SRAM is one of the memories mainly utilized in the store memory of gadgets. It must be quicker, less power devouring and dependable however this is influenced by CMOS scaling causing process varieties. Here in this paper the substitute answer for the issues looked by MOSFET based SRAM is overwhelmed by FinFET based SRAM. A 6T short gated FinFET based SRAM is taken for the investigation and the flavor models are made at 22nm and 14nm utilizing Predictive Technology Models (PTM) and reenacted utilizing HSPICE. The execution is broke down as far as Static Noise Margin (SNM), power and deferral for the 6T SRAM. The outcomes demonstrates FinFET based SRAM is quicker, solid and the power utilization is fundamentally diminished and offers great exchange offs at lower innovation hubs.

Keywords: FinFET, SRAM Cell, CMOS, SNM, PTM Read delay, Write delay.

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1. INTRODUCTION

As of late, the interest for low power gadgets has been increments massively because of quick development of battery worked compact applications, for example, PDAs, mobile phones, workstations and other handheld gadgets. Be that as it may, restrictions of persistent innovation scaling have as of late made power decrease an essential plan issue for the advanced circuits and applications. As MOS transistors enter profound submicron sizes, bothersome results with respect to control utilization emerge. Up to this point, dynamic or exchanging power segment ruled the all out power scattered by an IC. Voltage scaling is the best strategy to diminish dynamic power because of the square law reliance of computerized circuit dynamic power on the supply voltage. Thus, this requests a decrease of edge voltage to look after execution. Low edge voltage results in an exponential increment in the sub-limit spillage current. Then again as innovation downsizes, shorter direct lengths result in expanded sub-edge spillage current through an off transistor. Along these lines, in DSM process static or spillage control turns into an extensive extent of the complete power scattering. Along these lines door length scaling expands the gadget spillage exponentially crosswise over innovation ages. Besides, the cell strength will keep on corrupting with diminishing the framework supply voltage (VDD) and the transistor limit voltages (VT) in nanometer innovation hubs.

The FinFET transistor structure has been acquainted as an option with the mass Si MOSFET structure for enhanced versatility. The structure has two doors which can be electrically detached and have two distinct voltages (back entryway) for an enhanced task. In the twofold door (DG) working mode, the two entryways have associated together to switch the FinFET on/off, while in the back-door (BG) working mode, they are one-sided autonomously – with one entryway used to switch the FinFET on/off and the other door used to decide the edge voltage.

Difficulties in the kept scaling of planar mass CMOS gadgets incorporate overwhelming corona doping to adjust for debased short channel impacts, diminished transporter mobilities in the channel, expanded source-deplete spillage current, arbitrary dopant changes, and basic measurement control. FinFETs are potential choices to mass FETs because of their more grounded electrostatic command over the divert bringing about enhanced short channel conduct. These gadget qualities make FinFETs a useful for SRAM applications.

2. FINFET TECHNOLOGY & DESIGN PARAMETERS

The FinFET based transistors offers great tradeoff for power also offering fascinating deferral. The Figure 2.1 demonstrates the 3D structure of multi-FIN based field effect transistors. Fig 1 demonstrates a basic structure of FinFET, it is a 4 terminal gadget including source and drain associated by a channel, the channel is folded over by numerous doors, for this situation we consider 2 entryways to be specific forward and in reverse entryways or front and back entryways. A FinFET resembles a FET, however the channel has been "turned on its edge" and made to stand up subsequently structure gave the name for the gadget as FinFET. FinFETs might be substituted into a previous mass CMOS structure by only shorting the front-and back-entryways together amid gadget manufacture to permit just a single door association for every FinFET. This transistor setup is frequently called shorted entryway (SG).

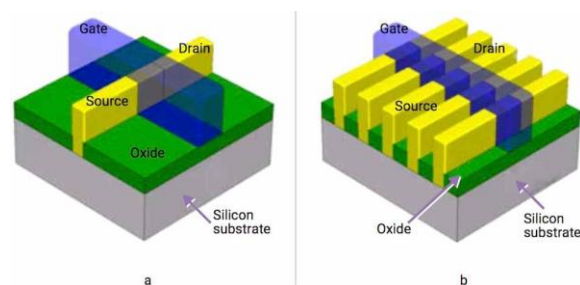


Fig.1.3D Multi-FIN Based Field Effect Transistor Structure

The gadget parameters contemplations are one of the imperative strides in building up a flavor model and after that reproducing it. Regularly utilized FinFET recreation models accessible to the examination network are the Predictive Technology Model (PTM) [7] and BSIM-CMG/BSIM-IMG [8]. Table1 demonstrates the estimations of FinFET parameters utilized in this work. The estimations of the parameters appeared table 1 are considered concerning PTM.

Table.1 Design considerations

PARAMETER	22nm FinFET	14nm FinFET
Gate Length (Lg)	22nm	14nm
Supply Voltage	0.9v	0.8v
Thickness of Fin (tfin)	10nm	10nm
Height of Fin (Hfin)	30nm	23nm
Thickness of oxide (tox)	1.4nm	1.3nm

The gadget parameters referenced here are vital in structuring any circuit utilizing FinFET. Advancements hubs are characterized dependent on the entryway length, as the gadget is downsized the supply voltage, oxide thickness and tallness of the balance is likewise downsized to meet the necessities and to maintain a strategic distance from the scaling issue, for example, speed immersion. The plan contemplations are absolutely done on the geometric portrayal of FinFET gadget structure [13-15]. There will be a great deal of varieties in changing the estimations of any of these parameters referenced. In our investigation we have concentrated on these 5 parameters referenced in the table.

3. SRAM CELL PERFORMANCE OPERATION

3.1. Static Noise Margin: Static Noise Margin (SNM) is a standout amongst the most vital measurement for SRAM memory cell. SNM influences both read and compose edge, which is identified with the limit voltages of the NMOS and PMOS gadgets of the SRAM cell. The

SNM is characterized the base clamor voltage present at every one of the cell stockpiling hubs important to flip the condition of the cell. SNM parameter can be better comprehended by illustration the inverter attributes and afterward reflecting it on itself and estimating the greatest square between them. For soundness of the SRAM cell, great SNM is required that relies upon the estimation of the cell proportion, pull up proportion and furthermore supply voltage. Driver transistor is in charge of 70 % estimation of the SNM. Cell proportion is the proportion between sizes of the driver transistor to the heap transistor amid the read activity. Draw up proportion is likewise only a proportion between sizes of the heap transistor to the entrance transistor amid composes activity.

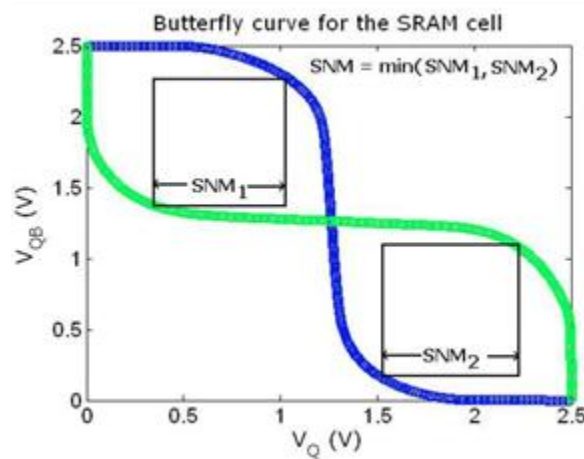


Fig.2. SRAM butterfly curve

Cell Ratio = $(W1/L1) / (W5/L5)$ – During Read task Pull up Ratio = $(W4/L4) / (W6/L6)$ – During Write activity SNM, influences both read and compose edges that are specifically identified with the edge voltages of NMOS and PMOS gadgets. To increment SNM, we can build the edge voltages of PMOS and NMOS in any case, that expansion is constrained and Likewise having a limit voltage that is exceptionally high makes the gadgets hard to work as it turns out to be difficult to flip the MOSFET. Subsequently we swing to the utilization of FinFETs for upgrade of measurements that will improve SRAM execution. In our examination we have determined SNM at reserve method of the FinFET based 6T SRAM cell utilizing graphical strategy by recreating the FinFET SRAM zest show in HSPICE. SNM ought to be high for a gadget to perform easily and create legitimate yields.

3.2. Power:Power utilization and dissemination is one of the real execution metric of SRAM.

The MOSFET based SRAM neglects to work when it is downsized to the nanometer routine of innovation hub, causing high power utilization and dissemination of the SRAM cell. The power devoured by the FinFET based SRAM cell at 22nm and 14nm innovation hubs are examined here. The framework exchange offs of intensity are likewise seen here. The power utilization regularly identifies with the supply voltage and subsequently as we downsize the FinFET, the power utilization of the whole circuit should likewise diminish however in few cases the dissemination of intensity may expand on account of the thickness of the incorporated gadget. Thus understanding the measurement control is essential here.

3.3. Delay: The delay of the SRAM cell can be estimated as far as the compose and read postponement of the circuit. The compose delay is the time taken by the SRAM circuit to compose a touch of information into the memory i.e. the hook circuit. The read postponement is the time taken for extricating the put away piece of information from the hook to yield. The read deferral additionally relies on the sense intensifier hardware utilized for perusing the yield, in the event that the detecting is quick, getting the yields will be likewise quick. The compose and read postponements are gotten for FinFET based SRAM cell at 22nm and 14nm hub advancements. Again the framework exchange offs between powers, territory and deferral are contemplated here.

4. SRAM MEMORY

4.1. Static Random Access (Memory [SRAM] Cell): It is a standout amongst the most usually utilized sort of semiconductor memory that utilizes a bi-stable hooking hardware to store each piece, it is static in nature and not the same as D-RAM which is dynamic and is invigorated occasionally. SRAM is unpredictable and will lose its information in the event that it isn't controlled. It is utilized in PCs, workstations and other fringe gear alike inner CPU reserves, hard circle cradles and so forth.

There are two sorts of SRAM cells:

1. Asynchronous SRAM
2. Nonvolatile SRAM

SRAMs are additionally characterized based on the transistor type used to assemble a SRAM. BJTs are quick however expending a great deal of intensity, at that point came the MOSFET bases SRAMs which supplanted the BJTs and served every one of the tasks with higher execution. The need of better execution and downsizing the measure of MOSFET with diminished short channel impacts made ready for the possibility of FinFET based SRAMs. The FinFET based 6T SRAM circuit is appeared in taking a gander at the circuit charts we can plainly comprehend the nearness of twofold entryways specifically forward and in reverse doors in the FinFET based SRAM cell. In our examination we have considered the twofold entryway short gated FinFET SRAM cell where the forward and in reverse door are shorted and furnished with the door input. This gives better channel control and the disappointment of MOSFET at nanometer routine innovation hub can be survived.

4.2. FinFET based SRAM Cell: The information stockpiling cell, i.e., the 1-bit memory cell in static RAM exhibits, perpetually comprises of a basic hook circuit with two stable working focuses (states). Contingent upon the safeguarded condition of the two-inverter hook circuit, the information being held in the memory cell will be translated either as a rationale "0" or as a rationale "1". To get to (read and compose) the information contained in the memory cell by means of the bit line, we require somewhere around one switch, which is constrained by the relating word line, i.e., the line address determination flag normally, two corresponding access switches comprising of nMOS pass transistors are executed to associate the 1-bit SRAM cell to the reciprocal piece lines (segments). This can be compared to turning the vehicle guiding wheel with both left and right submits correlative headings.

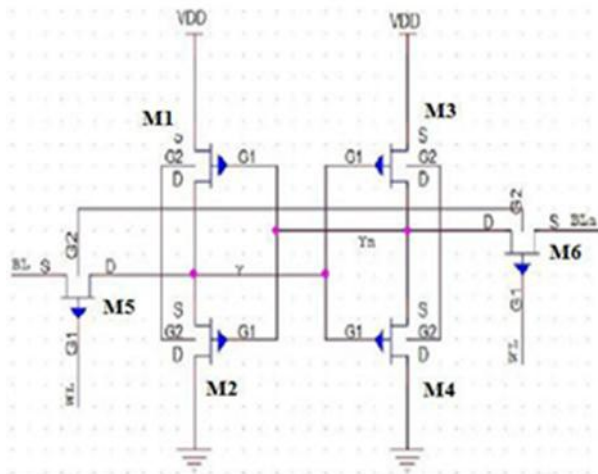


Fig.3. FinFET based 6T SRAM

The circuit structure of the full FinFET static RAM cell is appeared in Figure 3, alongside the pFET segment pull-up transistors on the integral piece lines. The most imperative favorable position of this circuit topology is that the static power dispersal is significantly littler; basically, it is restricted by the spillage current of the pFET transistors. A FinFET memory cell accordingly draws current from the power supply just amid an exchanging progress. The low backup control utilization has positively been a main impetus for the expanding noticeable quality of FinFET SRAMs.

5. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The spice models of FinFET SRAM are first made for 22nm and are reenacted utilizing HSPICE and the recreation waveforms are seen utilizing the universe adapt. The reenactments waveforms for compose and read postponements are as appeared in Fig 4 and Fig 5 separately at that point the models are altered for 14nm and the procedure is rehashed. Fig. 6 and 7 demonstrates the read and compose activity for the FinFET based 6T SRAM at 14nm. The voltage utilized is 0.8v.

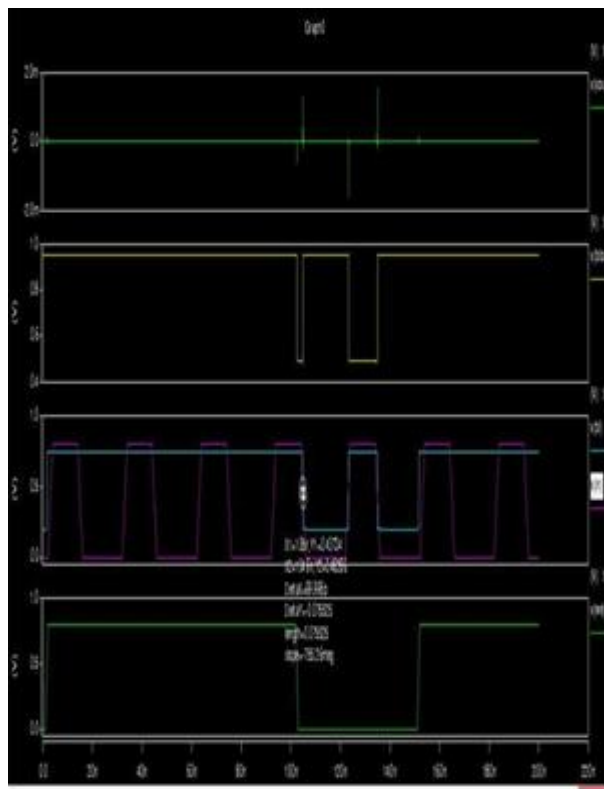


Fig.4. Write delay for 22nm FinFET based SRAM

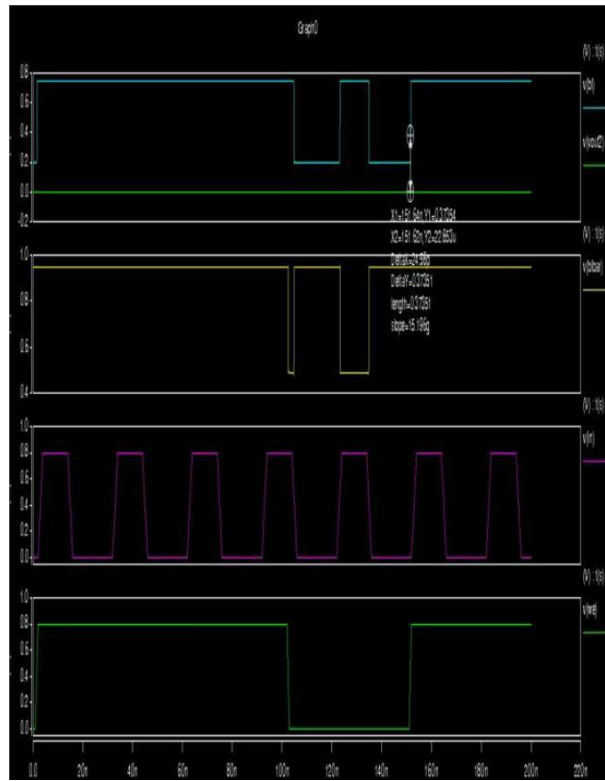


Fig.5. Read delay for 22nm FinFET based SRAM

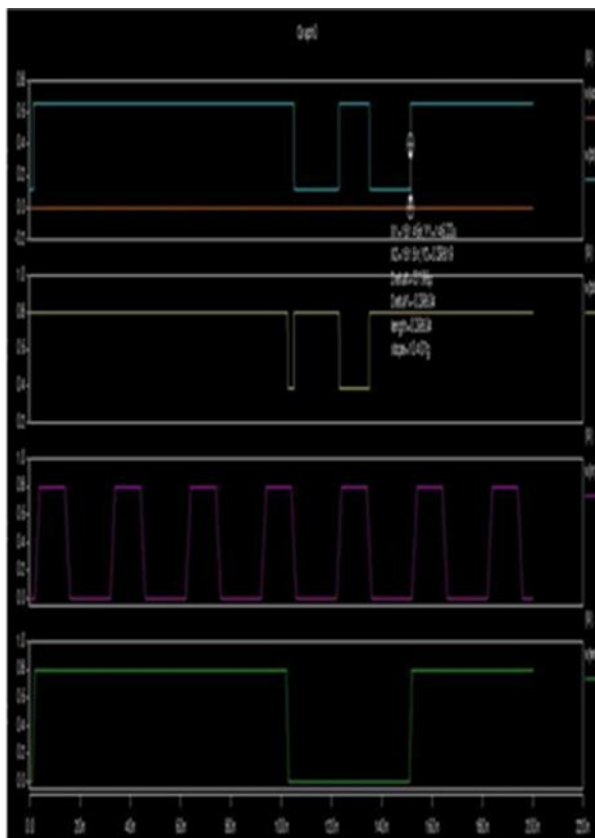


Fig.6. Write delay for 14nm FinFET based SRAM

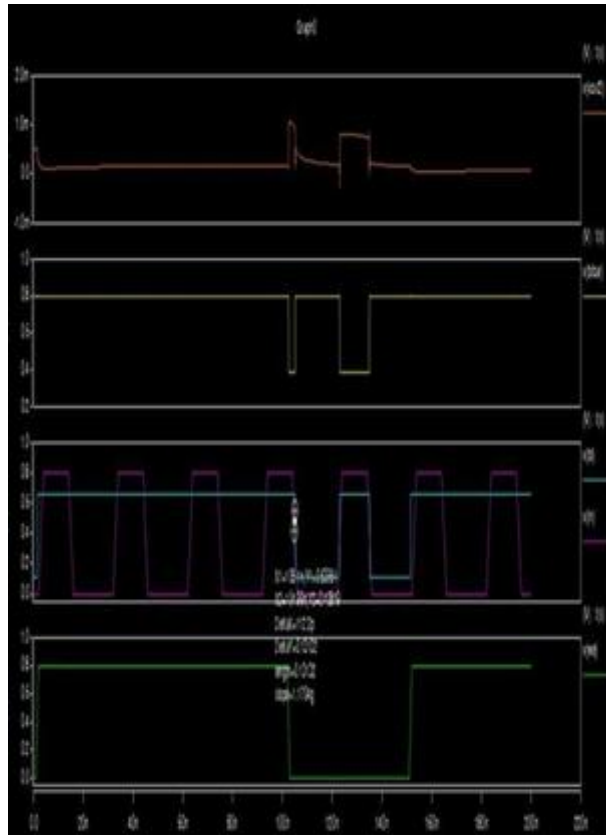


Fig. 7: Read delay for 14nm FinFET based SRAM

Here the word empower (we) goes about as a control flag. At the point when the word empower is low, compose activity is finished. At the point when the word empower is high the information what was composed will be detected by the sense intensifier. The read task is performed when word empower is high Fig. 8 and 9 demonstrates the butterfly bends for FinFET based 6T SRAM cell at 22nm and 14n separately. This demonstrates the Static Noise Margin (SNM) at backup mode esteems got for each situation of the SRAM cell. These butterfly bends are acquired utilizing the graphical strategy plot in HSPICE. The SNM esteems are perused from the DeltaY esteem, considering the fig.8 the DeltaY esteem indicates 0.20738 in volts, henceforth the SNM esteem got for 22nm FinFET 6T SRAM is 207.38 mV. So also considering Fig.9 we can see the DeltaY esteem got is 0.18467 in volts, henceforth the SNM got for 14nm FinFET 6T SRAM cell is 184.67mV.

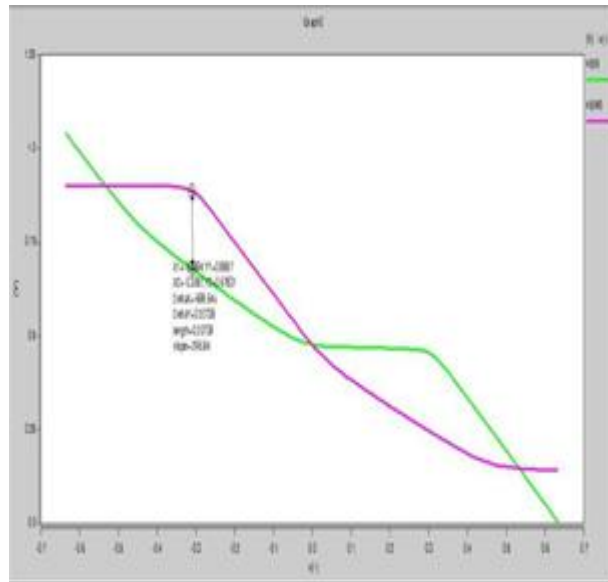


Fig.8. Butterfly curve for FinFET based 6T SRAM at 22nm

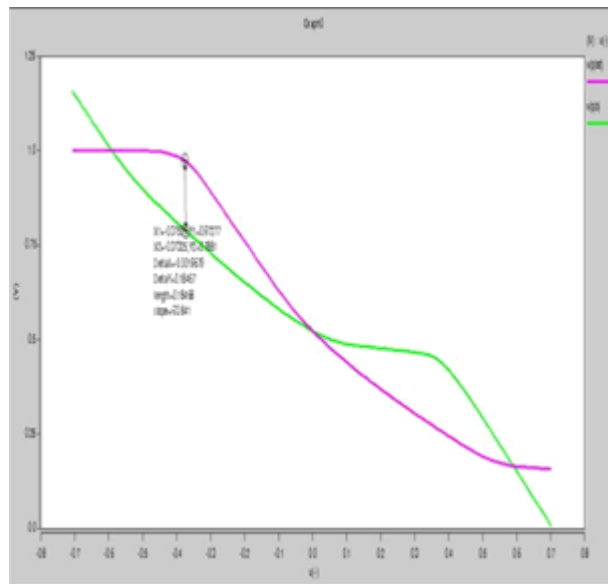


Fig.9: Butterfly curve for FinFET based 6T SRAM at 14nm

The normal and most extreme power devoured by the FinFET SRAM cell at 22nm and 14nm and the read and compose delay is estimated and it is arranged in Table 2. The plotted charts in fig.10 demonstrate the correlation of the all the parameter esteems estimated for the SRAM circuits. Here we can see the framework exchange offs between power, zone and deferral of the FinFET SRAM circuit. As we downsized the FinFET gadget from 22nm to 14nm the region has been

decreased subsequently empowering the incorporation of more segments for more tasks and better numerous highlights. The second exchange off is with postpone where the speed of the activity regarding the compose and read has been decreased a significant little in the 14nm SRAM contrasted with that of the 22nm model however the power utilization is more if there should be an occurrence of the 22nm circuit yet less in the 14nm FinFET SRAM. The SNM got demonstrates that the FinFET based SRAM is dependable at lower innovation hubs and the read and compose tasks of the SRAM cell will run easily.

Table 2 Results for FinFET based 6T SRAM Cell

PARAMETER	14nm 6T SRAM	22nm 6T SRAM
Static Noise Margin (SNM)	184.67mV	207.38mV
Avg Power	30.1870uW	35.2259uW
Max Power	63.0222uW	79.0756uW
Write Delay	112.2ps	99.98ps
Read Delay	37.96ps	24.58ps

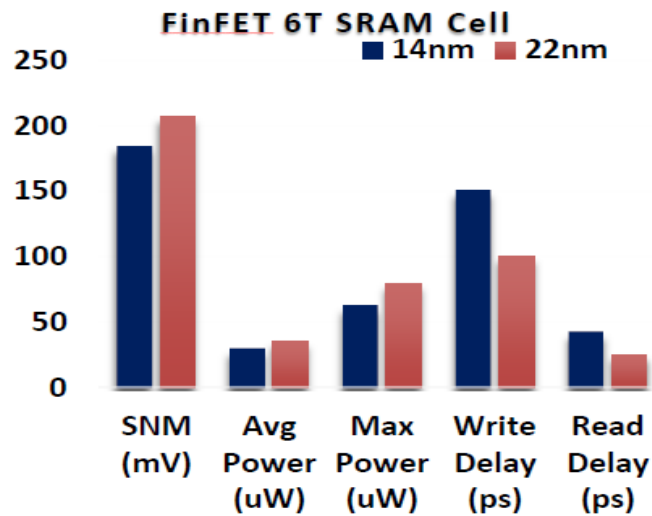


Fig.10 Graphical plot showing results of 6T SRAM cell at 22nm and 14nm

6. CONCLUSION

The FinFET based 6T SRAM cell at 22nm and 14nm are dissected here. The got outcomes for the SRAM zest models demonstrate a promising answer for MOSFETs scaling issues. The static commotion edge esteems got for the SRAM cell demonstrates that the FinFET based SRAM cell is dependable at lower innovation hubs and the tolerant limit is better at the nanometer routine. The power utilization of the gadget has diminished altogether and this memory cell could be coordinated with any such memory based gadgets requiring less power utilization. The speed of the memory circuits are additionally considered regarding the compose and read defer which demonstrates that the read and compose speed has expanded and the framework exchange offs between power, zone and postpone is sensible where the deferral has expanded at 14nm model yet the power and territory has decreased fundamentally.

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