

# Simulation Study of RSFQ OR-gates and Their Layouts for Nb Process

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In this work, we have designed two different kinds of Rapid Single Flux Quantum (RSFQ) OR-gates. One was based on the already developed RSFQ cells and the other was aimed to develop a more compact version. One used a combination of two D Flip-Flops and a merger to develop a new kind of OR-gate and the other used a combination of RS Flip-Flops and Confluence Buffer. We tested the circuit performance by using simulation tools, such as Xic and Wrspace. We obtained the operation margins of the circuit elements by a margin calculation program, and we obtained the minimum operation margins of  $\pm 30\%$ . The circuits were laid out, aimed to fabricate by using the existing KRISS Nb process. KRISS Nb process applied to Nb/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/Nb trilayer and was fabricated by DC magnetron sputtering, reactive ion etching technique. The major tools used in layout include Xic and L-meter.

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