



TOTAL IONIZING DOSE TEST REPORT

No. 04T-RT54SX32SU-D122H1

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I. SUMMARY TABLE

| Parameter | Tolerance |
|---|--|
| 1. Gross Functionality | Passed 100 krad (Si) after room temperature annealing |
| 2. Power Supply Current (I_{CCA}/I_{CCI}) | Passed 55 krad (Si) per 25-mA spec. Post 100 krad (Si) and after 15 days room temperature annealing: average I_{CCA} = 136.4 mA, and average I_{CCI} = 123.2 mA. |
| 3. Input Threshold (V_{TIL}/V_{IH}) | Passed 100 krad (Si) |
| 4. Output Drive (V_{OL}/V_{OH}) | Passed 100 krad (Si) |
| 5. Propagation Delay | Passed 84 krad (Si) for 10% degradation criterion, post 100 krad degradation is 13.52%. |
| 6. Transition Time | Passed 100 krad (Si) |

II. TOTAL IONIZING DOSE (TID) TESTING

This testing is designed on the base of an extensive database (see, for example, TID data of antifuse-based FPGA in <http://www.klabs.org/>) accumulated from the TID testing of many generations of antifuse-based FPGAs. One distinctive quality about this testing is the bench measurement of electrical parameters. Compared to an automatic-tester measurement, the bench measurement offers lower noise, better accuracy and more flexibility. Although not every pin is sampled for some tests (e.g. threshold voltage measurement), the bench measurement is suitable to determine the total dose tolerance because either the I_{CC} or propagation delay always dominates the result.

A. Device Under Test (DUT) and Irradiation Parameters

Table 1 lists the DUT and irradiation parameters. During irradiation each input or output is grounded through a 1-M ohm resistor; during annealing each input or output is grounded through a 1-k ohm resistor. Appendix A contains the schematics of the bias circuit.

Table 1 DUT and Irradiation Parameters

| | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Part Number | RT54SX32SU |
| Package | CQFP256 |
| Foundry | United Microelectronics Corp. |
| Technology | 0.25 μ m CMOS |
| DUT Design | TDSX32CQFP256_2Strings |
| Die Lot Number | D122H1 |
| Quantity Tested | 5 |
| Serial Number | 49697, 49698, 49699, 49700, 49701 |
| Radiation Facility | Defense Microelectronics Activity |
| Radiation Source | Co-60 |
| Dose Rate | 1 krad (Si)/min ($\pm 5\%$) |
| Irradiation Temperature | Room |
| Irradiation and Measurement Bias (V_{CCI}/V_{CCA}) | Static at 5.0 V/2.5 V |

B. Test Method

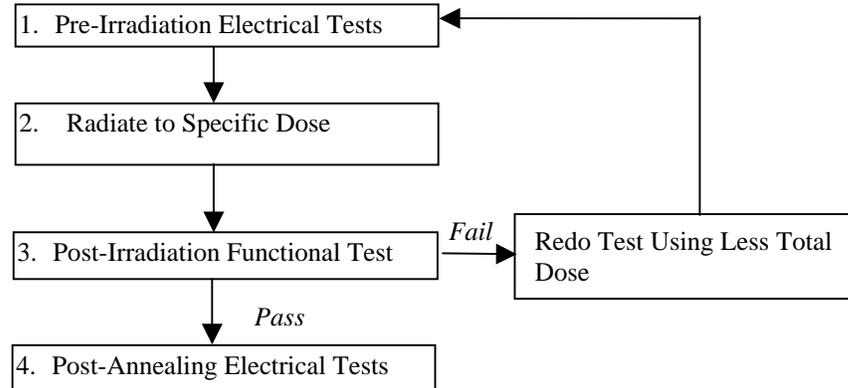


Figure 1 Parametric test flow chart

The test method generally follows the guidelines in the military standard TM1019. Figure 1 is the flow chart showing the steps for parametric tests, irradiation, and post-irradiation annealing.

The accelerated aging, or rebound test mentioned in TM1019 is unnecessary because there is no adverse time dependent effect (TDE) in products manufactured by sub-micron CMOS technology. To prove this point, test data using a high dose rate (1 krad (Si)/min) are compared with test data using a low dose rate (1 krad (Si)/hr) for devices manufactured by several generations of sub-micron CMOS technologies. Since the results always show the low-dose-rate degradation less than the high-dose-rate degradation, the elevated rebound annealing would artificially improve the electrical parameters. Therefore, only room temperature annealing is performed in this report. DUTs are biased annealed for 10 days after the 100-krad (Si) irradiation.

C. Design and Parametric Measurements

DUTs use a high utilization generic design (TDSX32CQ256_2Strings) to test total dose effects in typical space applications. Appendix B contains the schematics illustrating the logic design.

Table 2 lists each electrical parameter and the corresponding logic design. The functionality is measured on the output pins (O_AND3 and O_AND4) of two combinational buffer-strings with 616 buffers each and output pins (O_OR4 and O_NAND4) of a shift register with 512 bits. I_{CC} is measured on the power supply of the logic-array (I_{CCA}) and I/O (I_{CCI}) respectively. The input logic thresholds (V_{TIL}/V_{IH}) and output-drive voltages (V_{OL}/V_{OH}) are measured on a combinational net, the input pin DA to the output pin QA0. The propagation delays are measured on the O_AND4 output of one buffer string. The delay is defined as the time delay from the time of triggering edge at the CLOCK input to the time of switching state at the output O_AND4. Both the low-to-high and high-to-low output transitions are measured; the propagation delay is defined as the average of these two transitions. The transition characteristics, measured on the output O_AND4, are displayed as oscilloscope snapshots of the rising and falling edge during logic transitions.

Table 2 Logic Design for Parametric Measurements

| Parameters | Logic Design |
|---|--|
| 1. Functionality | All key architectural functions (pins O_AND3, O_AND4, O_OR3, O_OR4, and O_NAND4) |
| 2. I_{CC} (I_{CCA}/I_{CCI}) | DUT power supply |
| 3. Input Threshold (V_{TIL}/V_{IH}) | Input buffer (pin DA to QA0) |
| 4. Output Drive (V_{OL}/V_{OH}) | Output buffer (pin DA to QA0) |
| 5. Propagation Delay | String of buffers (pin LOADIN to O_AND4) |
| 6. Transition Characteristic | D flip-flop output (O_AND4) |

III. TEST RESULTS

A. Functionality

Every DUT passes the pre-irradiation and post-irradiation-annealing functional tests.

B. Power Supply Current (I_{CCA} and I_{CCI})

Since the pre-irradiation I_{CCA} and I_{CCI} of every DUT are below 1 mA, the in-flux I_{CC} -plots of Figure 2 to Figure 6 basically show the radiation-induced leakage current. For every DUT, the logic array current, I_{CCA} exhibits a transition near 60 krad. This transition is due to the temporary degradation of the charge pump because the radiation-induced leakage current overloads the output of the charge pump. After the pump degrading to a certain voltage, the array logic changes to another state and logic outputs are disabled; this causes the I_{CCA} transition. However, the temporary degradation of the charge pump is only a testing artifact because the logic outputs recover after few hours of room temperature annealing.

By technicality, TM1019 doesn't allow further irradiation after disabling of the logic outputs. However, in this case, because the logic state of the DUT is still well defined, further irradiation is still valid. Every DUT was irradiated to 100 krad; after few hours of room temperature annealing, the logic outputs in every DUT were recovered.

The room temperature annealing effect on I_{CC} is shown by Table 3, where the post-annealing data are compared with the post-irradiation data.

Table 3 Post Irradiation and Post-Annealing I_{CC}

| DUT | I_{CCA} (mA) | | I_{CCI} (mA) | |
|-------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------|
| | Post-rad | Post-ann | Post-rad | Post-ann |
| 49697 | 332 | 77 | 256 | 129 |
| 49698 | 361 | 164 | 276 | 111 |
| 49699 | 324 | 172 | 247 | 102 |
| 49700 | 344 | 98 | 265 | 140 |
| 49701 | 335 | 171 | 261 | 134 |

An empirical equation is used to extract the tolerance for I_{CC} reaching 25-mA spec. The critical total dose ($\gamma_{critical}$) for a 10-year mission to induce I_{CC} to 25 mA is obtained from the equation:

$$I_{CCA}(\gamma_{critical}) \times 0.32 + I_{CCI}(\gamma_{critical}) \times 0.29 = 25mA$$

Where $I_{CCA}(\gamma)$ and $I_{CCI}(\gamma)$ are in-flux currents extracted from the raw data. Using the worst-case degradation, which belongs to DUT 49698 (Figure 6), the tolerance ($\gamma_{critical}$) is obtained as approximately 55 krad (Si). Since the total-dose-induced leakage current distributes uniformly across the whole chip and causes no other impact except the background DC current, this derived tolerance is very conservative.

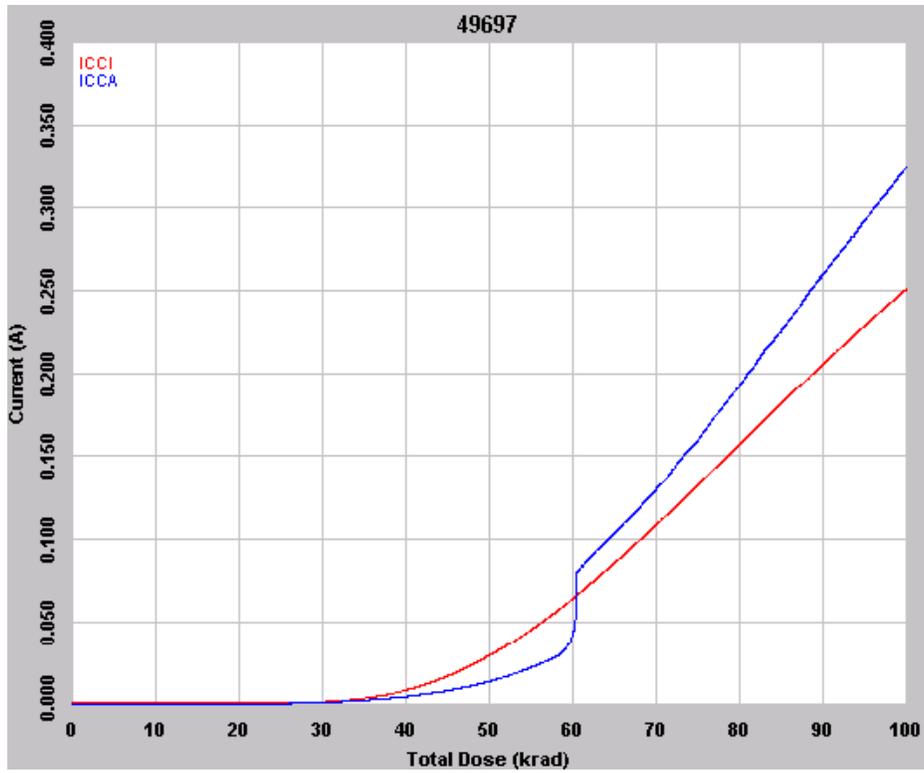


Figure 2 In flux I_{CCA} and I_{CCI} of DUT 49697, I_{CCA} shows a transition near 60 krad that indicates the temporary disabling of the outputs.

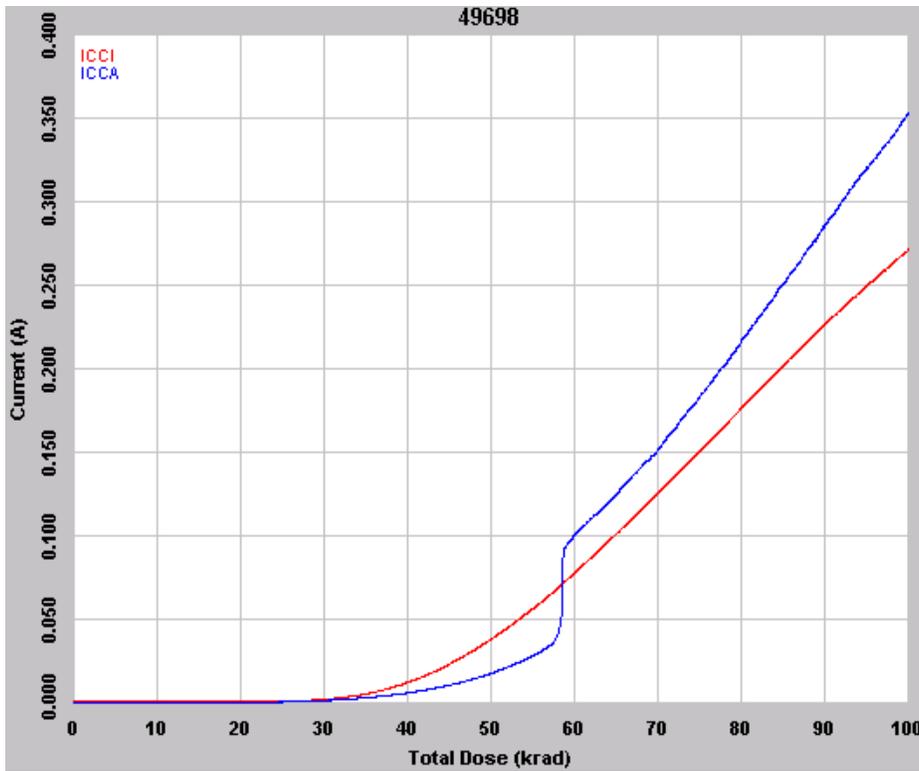


Figure 3 In flux I_{CCA} and I_{CCI} of DUT 49698, I_{CCA} shows a transition near 58 krad that indicates the temporary disabling of the outputs.

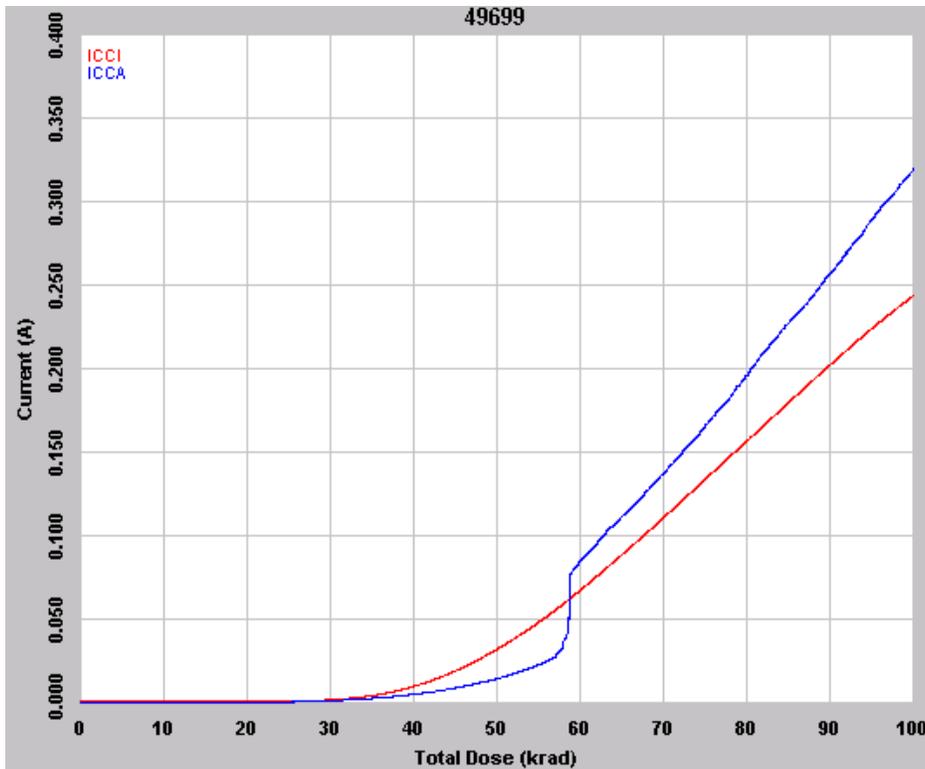


Figure 4 In flux I_{CCA} and I_{CCI} of DUT 49699, I_{CCA} shows a transition near 58.5 krad that indicates the temporary disabling of the outputs.

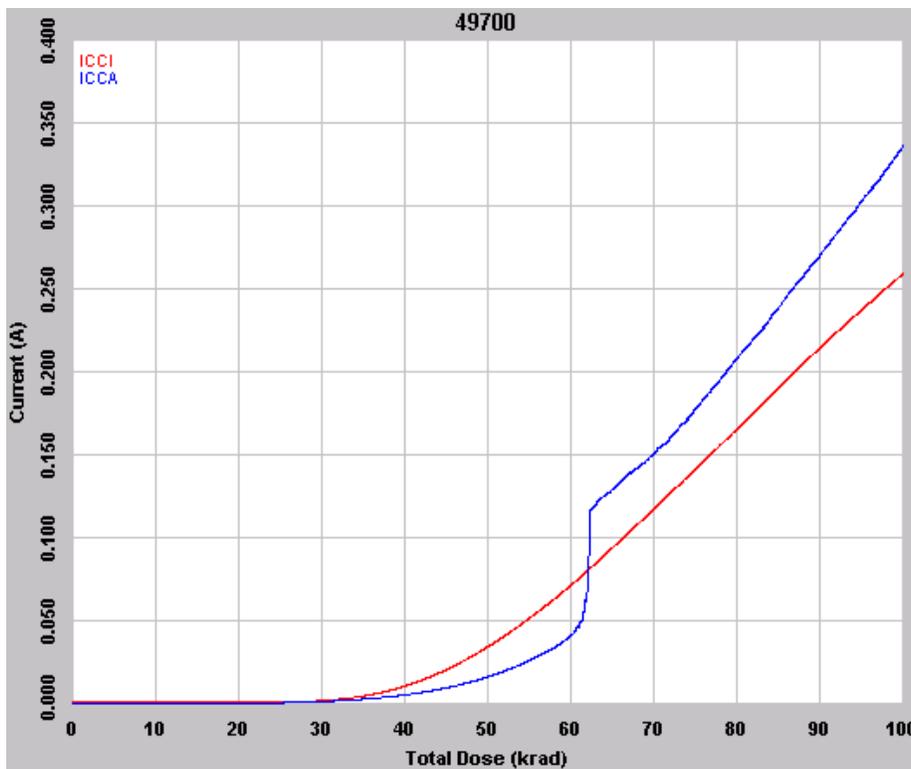


Figure 5 In flux I_{CCA} and I_{CCI} of DUT 49700, I_{CCA} shows a transition near 62 krad that indicates the temporary disabling of the outputs.

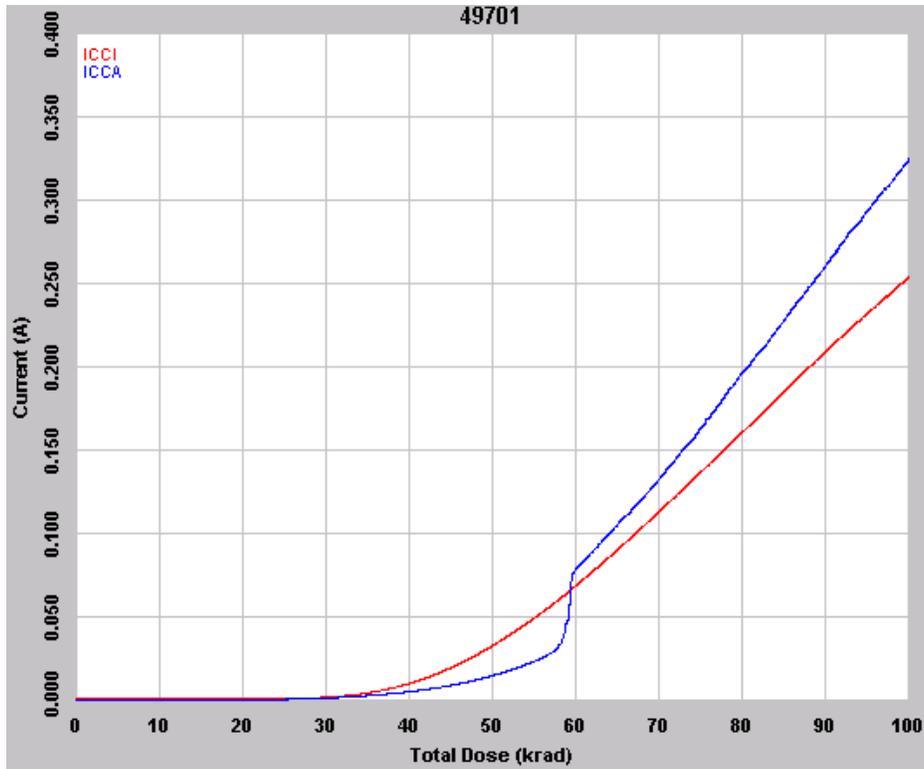


Figure 6 In flux I_{CCA} and I_{CCI} of DUT 49701, I_{CCA} shows a transition near 58 krad that indicates the temporary disabling of the outputs.

C. Input Logic Threshold (V_{IL}/V_{IH})

Table 4 lists the pre-irradiation and post-annealing input logic threshold. All data are within the spec limits. Although DUT 49698 and 49701 have shifted more than 1 V after 100-krad irradiation and annealing, but it doesn't deteriorate the functionality of the devices. Since both DUTs have shifted to the center of V_{CC1} , the noise margin actually increased after irradiation and annealing. The thresholds of more than one pin were measured to verify that the shift is not due to artifact such as ESD during handling. Further annealing is in progress to investigate if this is a dose-rate effect.

Table 4 Pre-Irradiation and Post-Annealing Input Thresholds

| DUT | Pre-Irradiation | | Post-Annealing | |
|-------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| | V_{IL} (V) | V_{IH} (V) | V_{IL} (V) | V_{IH} (V) |
| 49697 | 1.25 | 1.48 | 1.26 | 1.53 |
| 49698 | 1.24 | 1.48 | 2.29 | 2.52 |
| 49699 | 1.25 | 1.47 | 1.25 | 1.47 |
| 49700 | 1.25 | 1.49 | 1.23 | 1.51 |
| 49701 | 1.25 | 1.47 | 2.32 | 2.55 |

D. Output-Drive Voltage (V_{OL}/V_{OH})

The pre-irradiation and post-annealing V_{OL}/V_{OH} are listed in Tables 5 and 6. The post-annealing data are within the spec limits; in each case, the post-annealing data varies minutely with respect to the pre-irradiation data.

Table 5 Pre-Irradiation and Post-Annealing V_{OL} (V) at Various Sinking Current

| DUT | 1 mA | | 12 mA | | 20 mA | | 50 mA | | 100 mA | |
|-------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| | Pre-rad | Pos-an |
| 49697 | 0.009 | 0.010 | 0.103 | 0.109 | 0.172 | 0.182 | 0.434 | 0.458 | 0.894 | 0.943 |
| 49698 | 0.009 | 0.010 | 0.102 | 0.108 | 0.169 | 0.179 | 0.428 | 0.451 | 0.881 | 0.930 |
| 49699 | 0.009 | 0.009 | 0.102 | 0.106 | 0.170 | 0.176 | 0.429 | 0.443 | 0.883 | 0.911 |
| 49700 | 0.009 | 0.009 | 0.103 | 0.104 | 0.171 | 0.174 | 0.432 | 0.439 | 0.891 | 0.906 |
| 49701 | 0.009 | 0.010 | 0.103 | 0.107 | 0.171 | 0.177 | 0.432 | 0.447 | 0.890 | 0.922 |

Table 6 Pre-Irradiation and Post-Annealing V_{OH} (V) at Various Sourcing Current

| DUT | 1 mA | | 8 mA | | 20 mA | | 50 mA | | 100 mA | |
|-------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| | Pre-rad | Pos-an |
| 49697 | 4.98 | 4.98 | 4.87 | 4.85 | 4.66 | 4.64 | 4.12 | 4.06 | 2.97 | 2.78 |
| 49698 | 4.98 | 4.98 | 4.87 | 4.86 | 4.66 | 4.64 | 4.12 | 4.04 | 2.96 | 2.48 |
| 49699 | 4.98 | 4.98 | 4.87 | 4.86 | 4.66 | 4.65 | 4.12 | 4.07 | 2.97 | 2.78 |
| 49700 | 4.98 | 4.99 | 4.86 | 4.87 | 4.66 | 4.66 | 4.11 | 4.09 | 2.93 | 2.84 |
| 49701 | 4.98 | 4.99 | 4.87 | 4.87 | 4.67 | 4.65 | 4.13 | 4.07 | 2.98 | 2.80 |

E. Propagation Delay

Table 7 lists the pre-irradiation and post-annealing propagation delays and the radiation-induced degradations in percentage. To extract the 10% degradation tolerance, a piece-wise linear approximation based on empirical curve fitting is used. The piece-wise linear curve has two regions, region 1 from 0 krad(Si) to 40 krad(Si) has 0% degradation, and region 2 from 40 krad(Si) to 100 krad(Si) has a slope defined in the equation,

$$\text{Slope} = \frac{TPD(\text{Max Dose}) - TPD(\text{Initial})}{\text{Maximum Dose} - 40\text{krad}}$$

TPD is the propagation delay in percentage. To be conservative, $TPD(\text{Max Dose} = 100 \text{ krad})$ uses the worst degradation of 13.52% in DUT 49701. The tolerance is obtained as 84 krad, which corresponds to 10% degradation on the linear curve in region 2.

Table 7 Radiation-Induced Propagation Delay Degradations

| DUT | Pre-Irradiation | Post-Annealing | Degradation |
|-------|-----------------|----------------|-------------|
| 49697 | 566.95 | 630.29 | 11.22% |
| 49698 | 570.02 | 637.70 | 11.94% |
| 49699 | 560.97 | 613.50 | 9.42% |
| 49700 | 568.93 | 636.36 | 11.90% |
| 49701 | 571.46 | 648.33 | 13.52% |

F. Transition Time

Figures 7 to 16 show the post-annealing transition rising and falling edges. These waveforms show no observable radiation induced degradations.

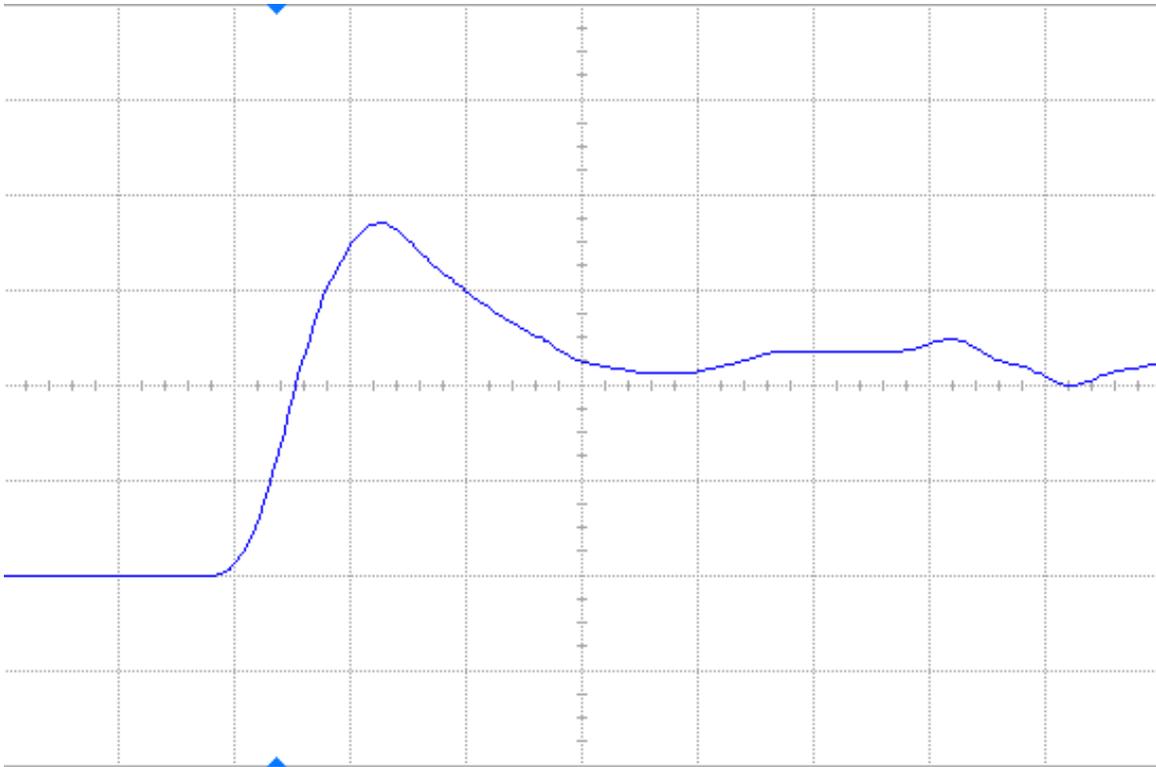


Figure 7 Post-annealing rising edge of DUT 49697, abscissa scale is 2 V/div and ordinate scale is 2 ns/div.

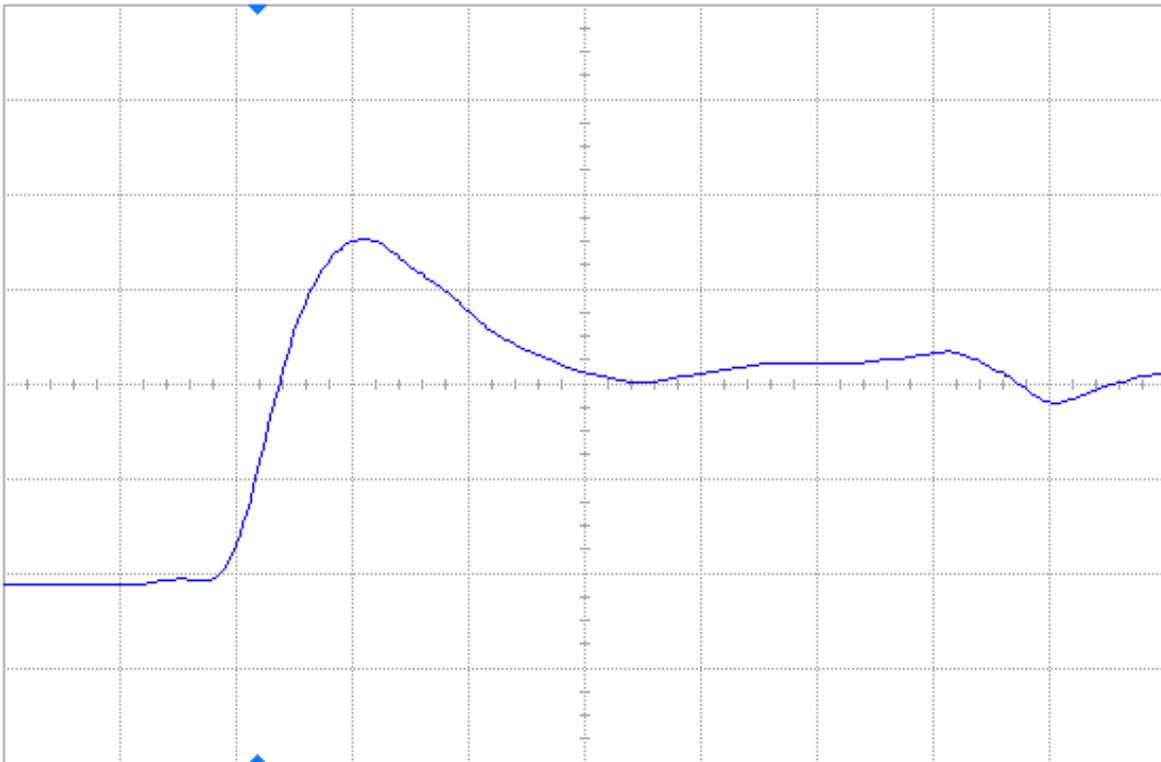


Figure 8 Post-annealing rising edge of DUT 49698, abscissa scale is 2 V/div and ordinate scale is 2 ns/div.

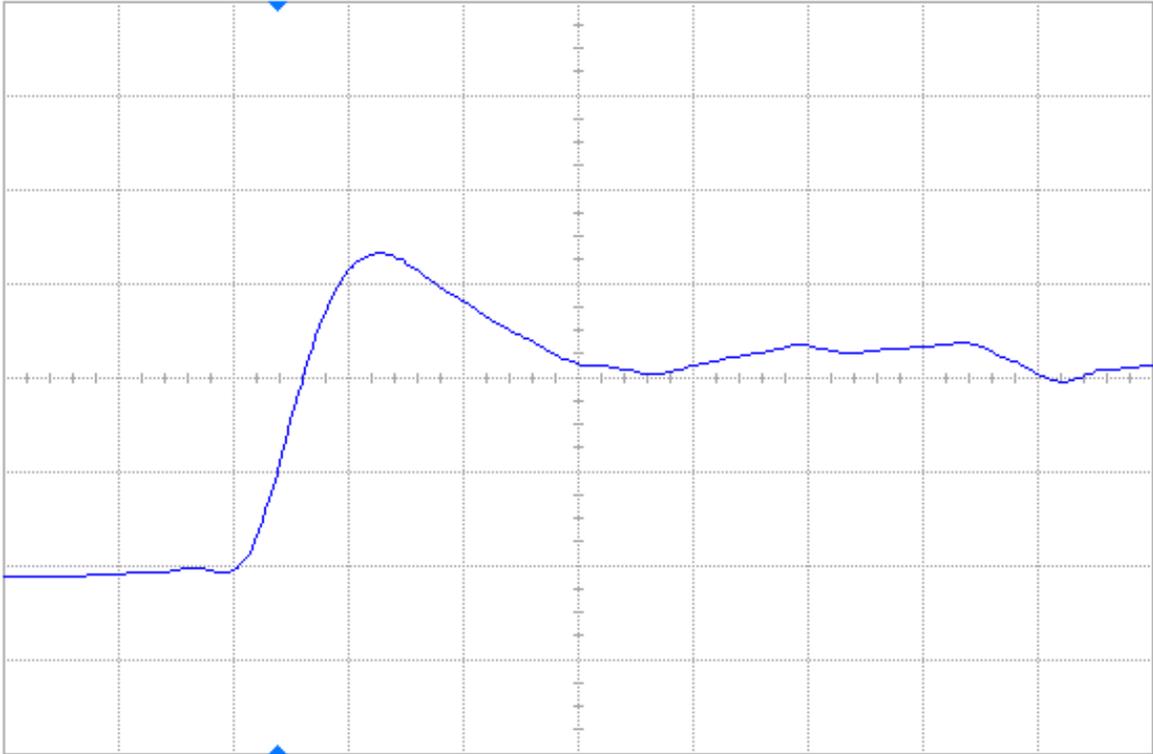


Figure 9 Post-annealing rising edge of DUT 49699, abscissa scale is 2 V/div and ordinate scale is 2 ns/div.

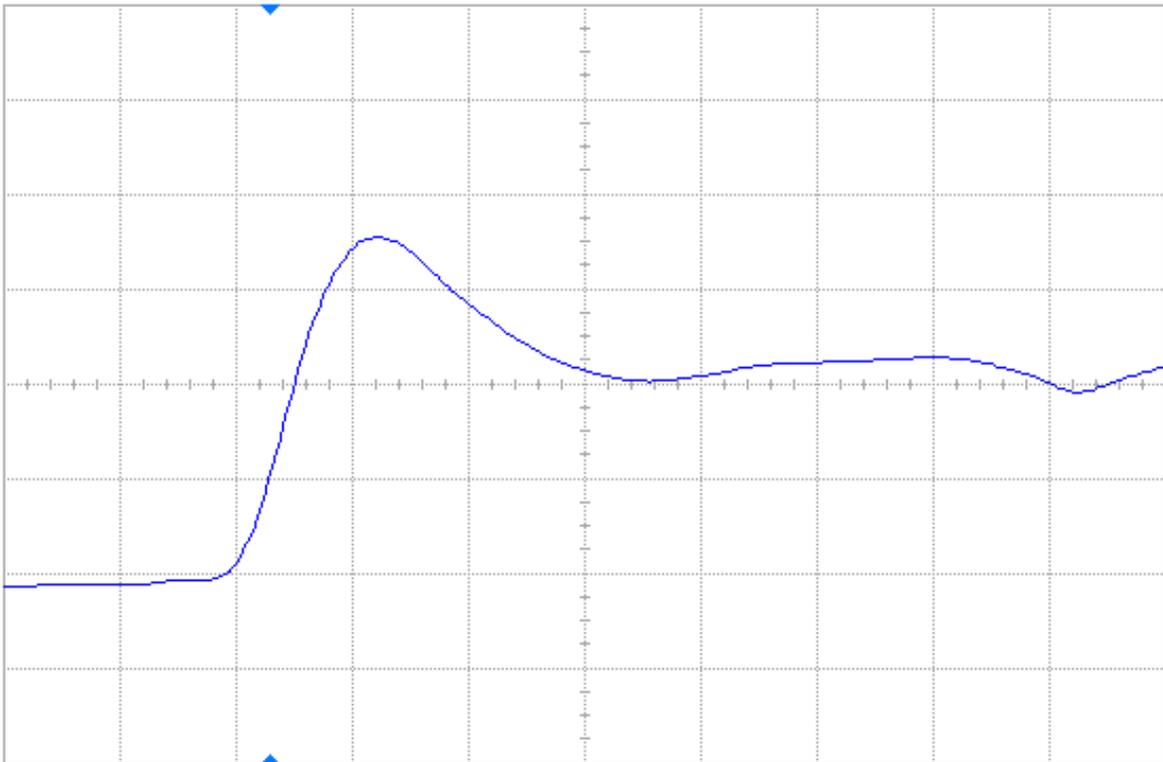


Figure 10 Post-annealing rising edge of DUT 49700, abscissa scale is 2 V/div and ordinate scale is 2 ns/div.

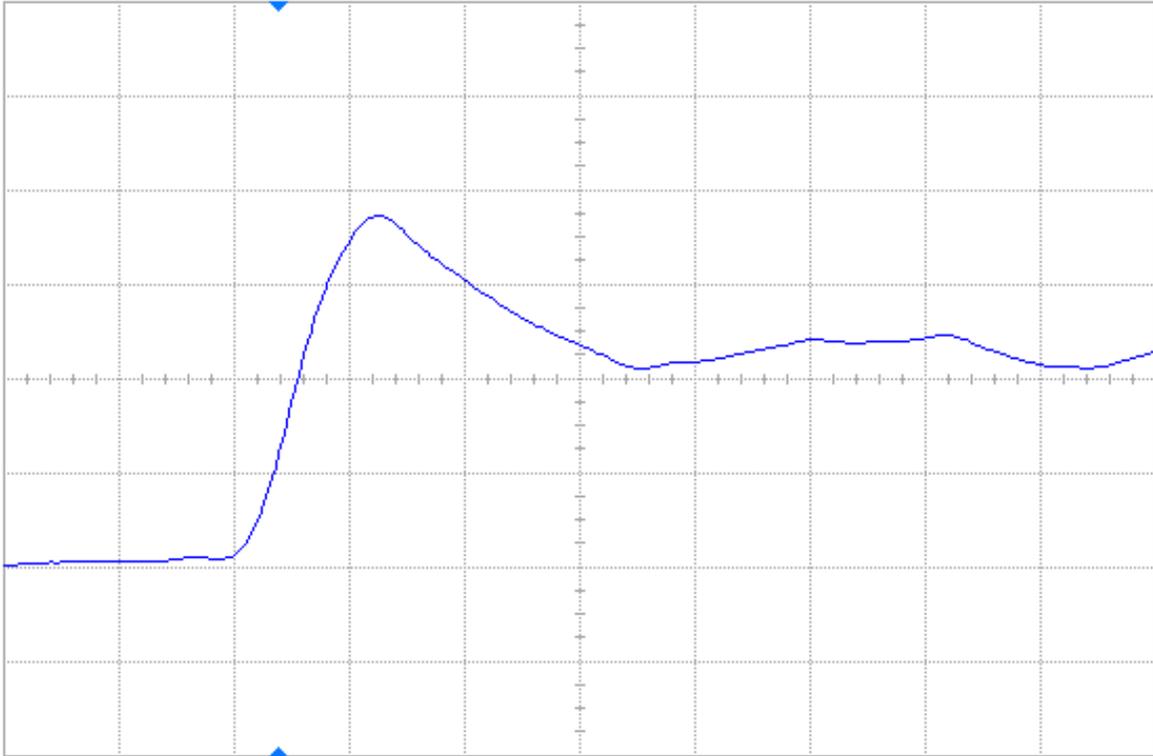


Figure 11 Post-annealing rising edge of DUT 49701, abscissa scale is 2 V/div and ordinate scale is 2 ns/div.

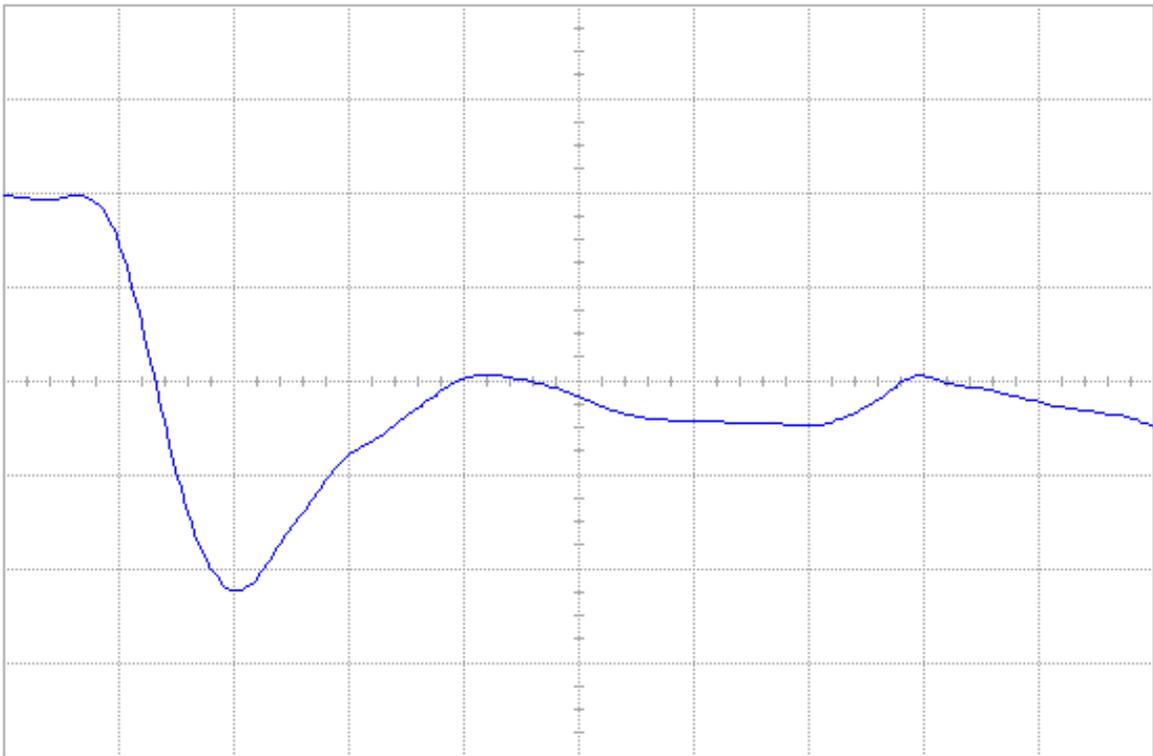


Figure 12 Post-annealing falling edge of DUT 49697, abscissa scale is 2 V/div and ordinate scale is 2 ns/div.

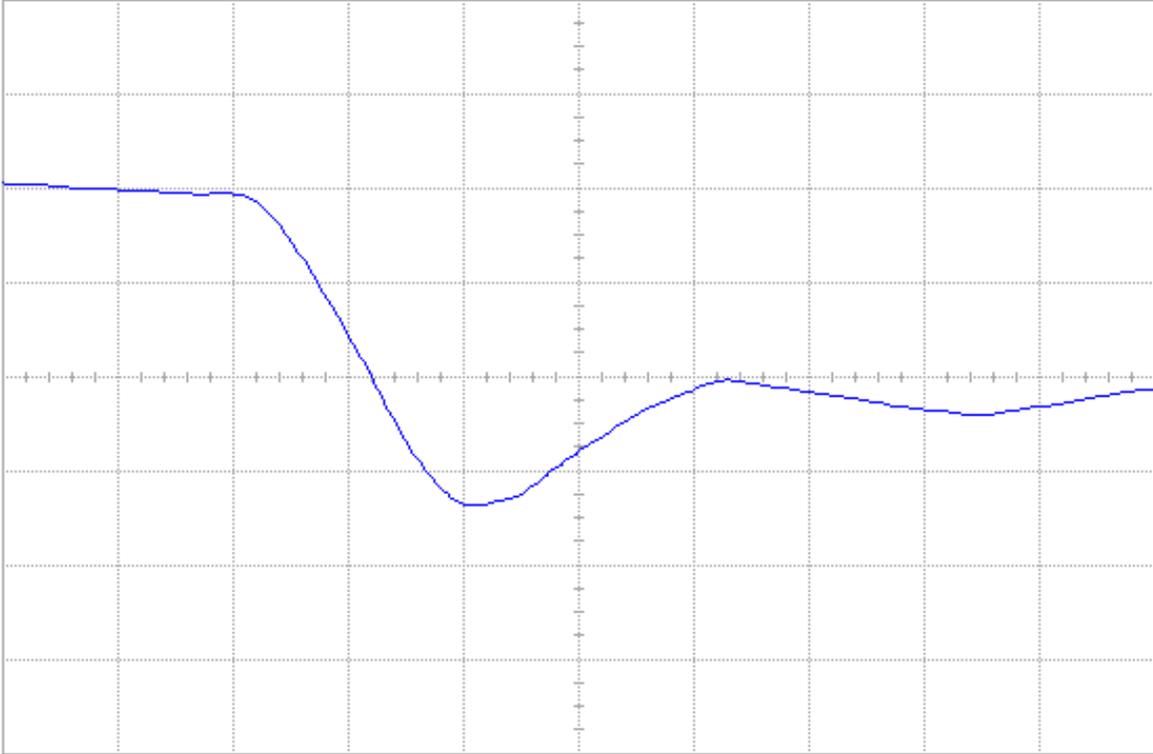


Figure 13 Post-annealing falling edge of DUT 49698, abscissa scale is 2 V/div and ordinate scale is 2 ns/div.

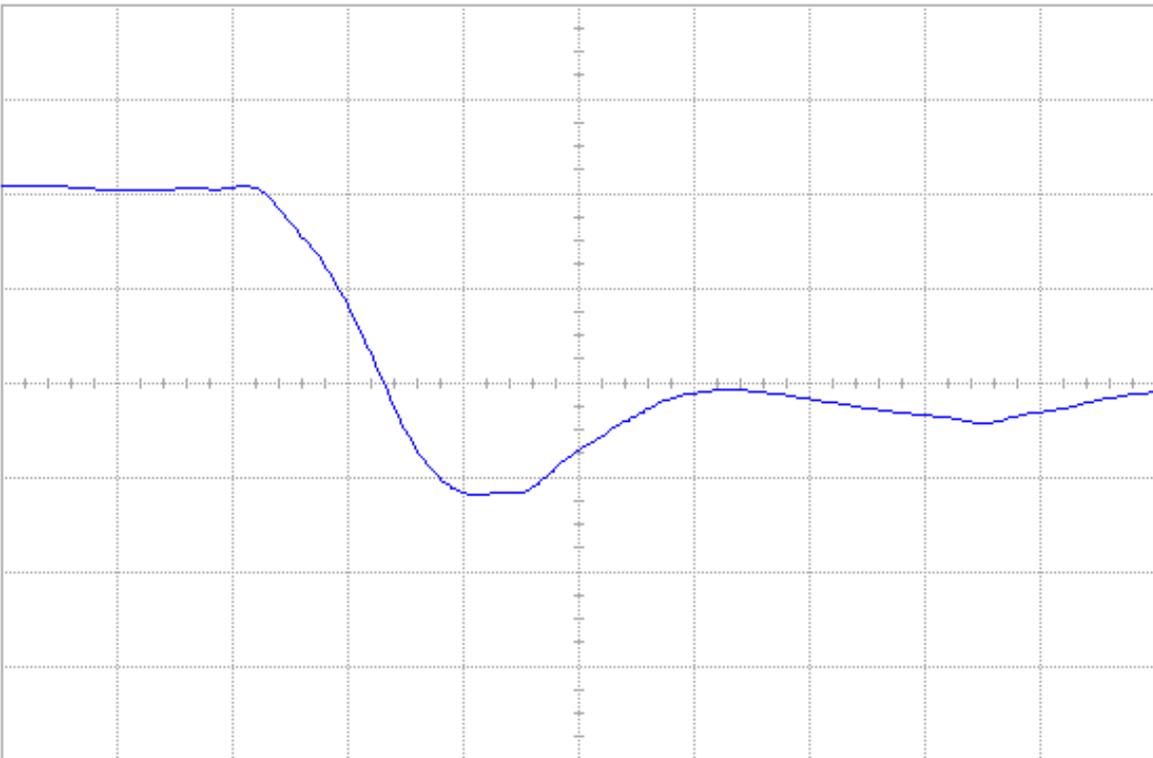


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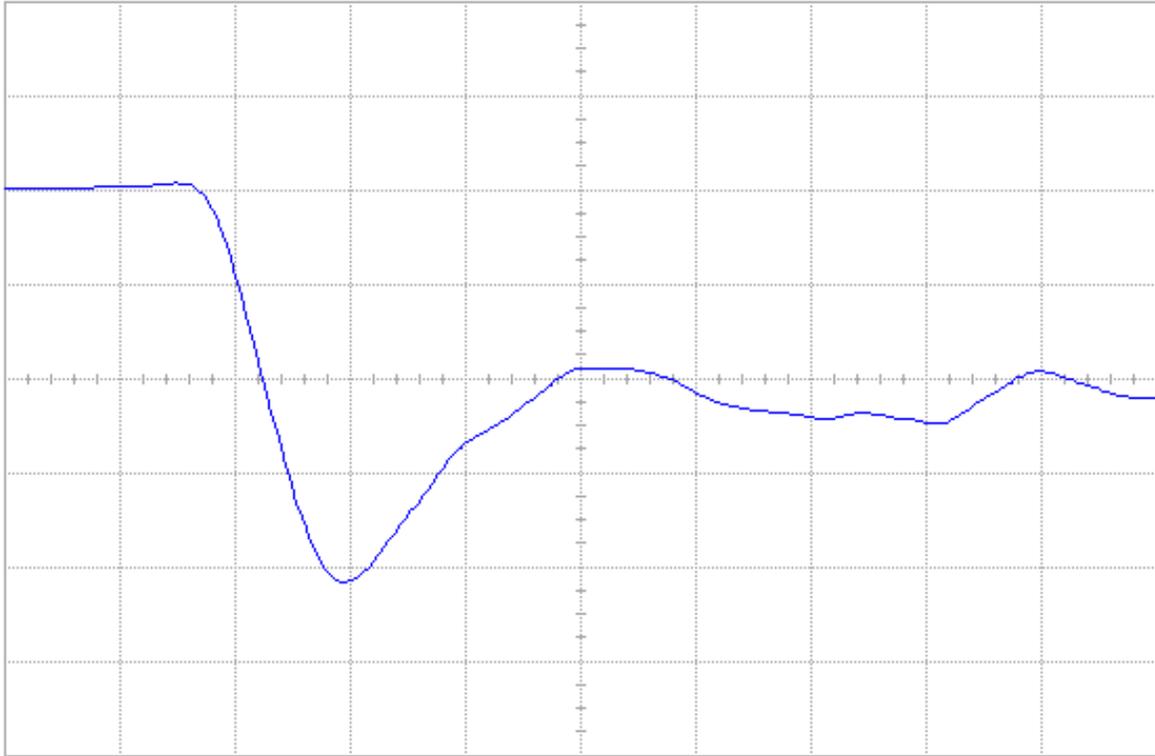


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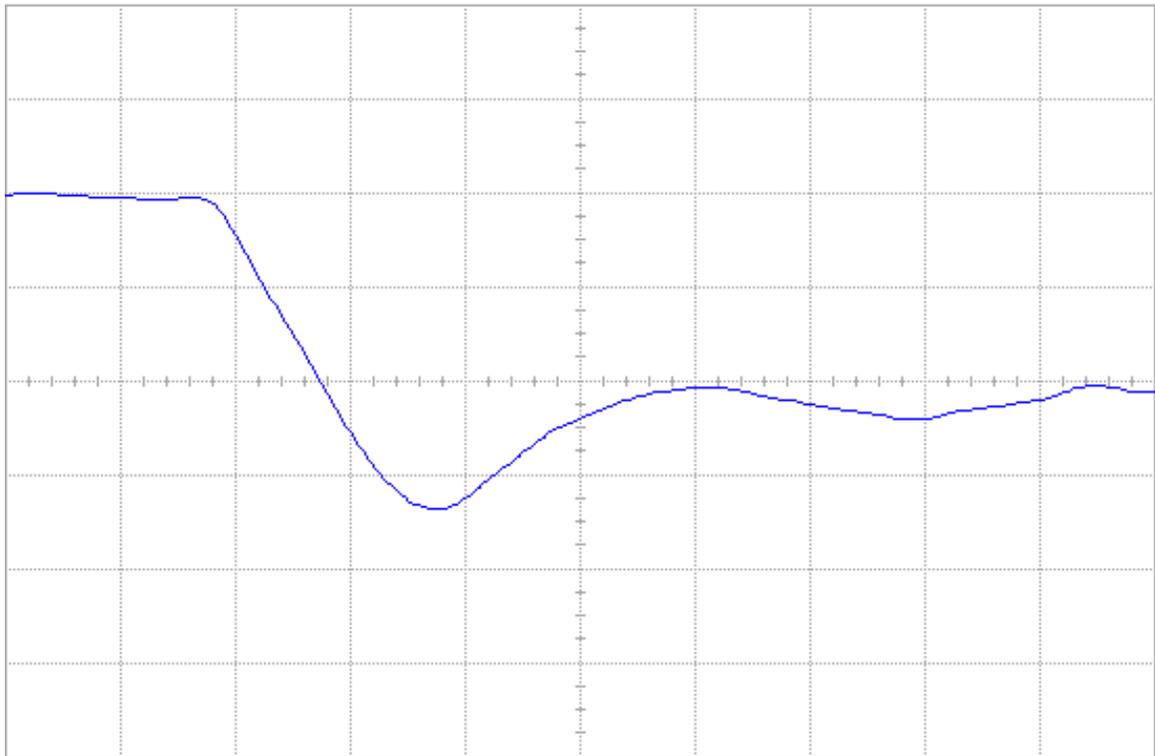
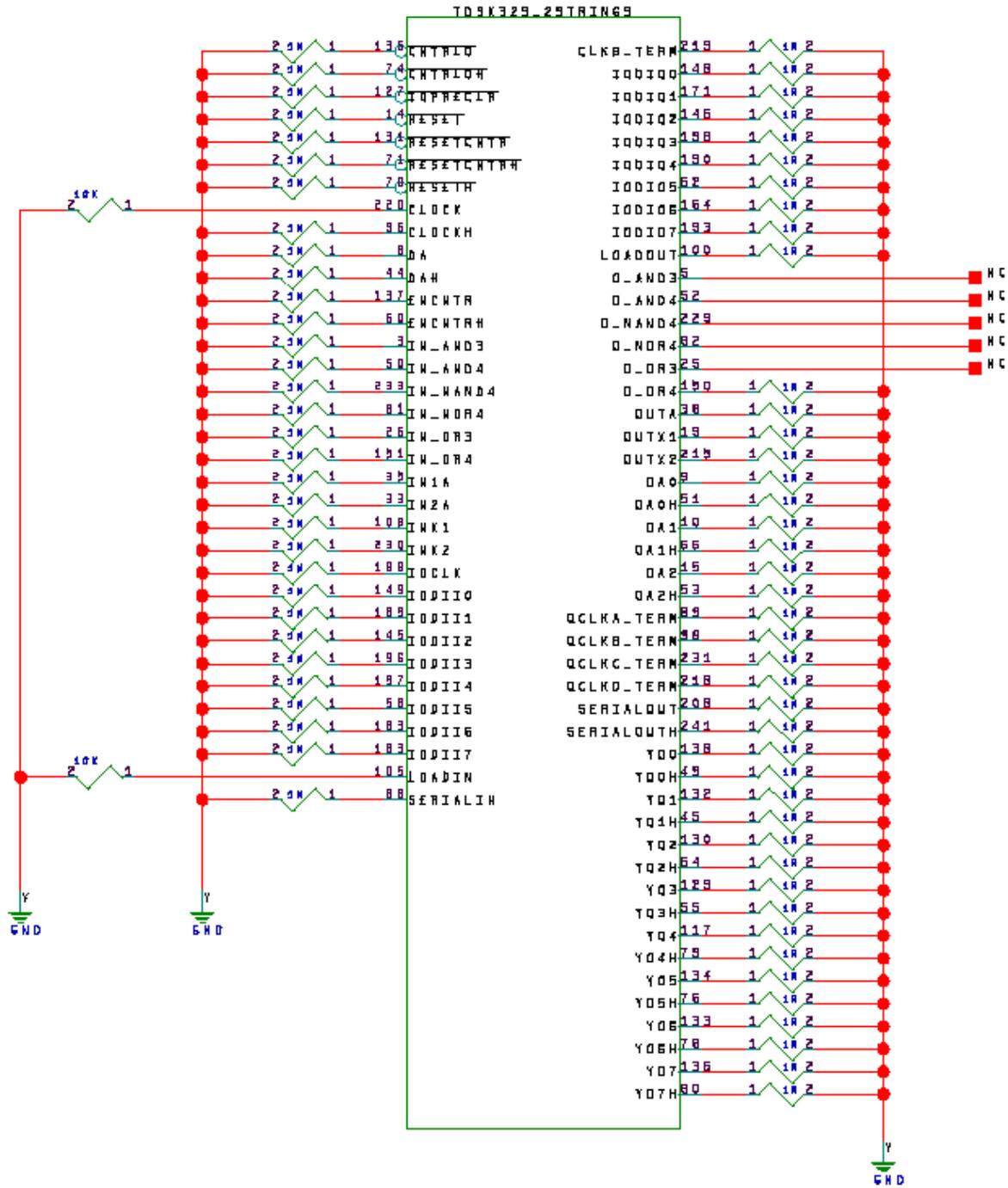
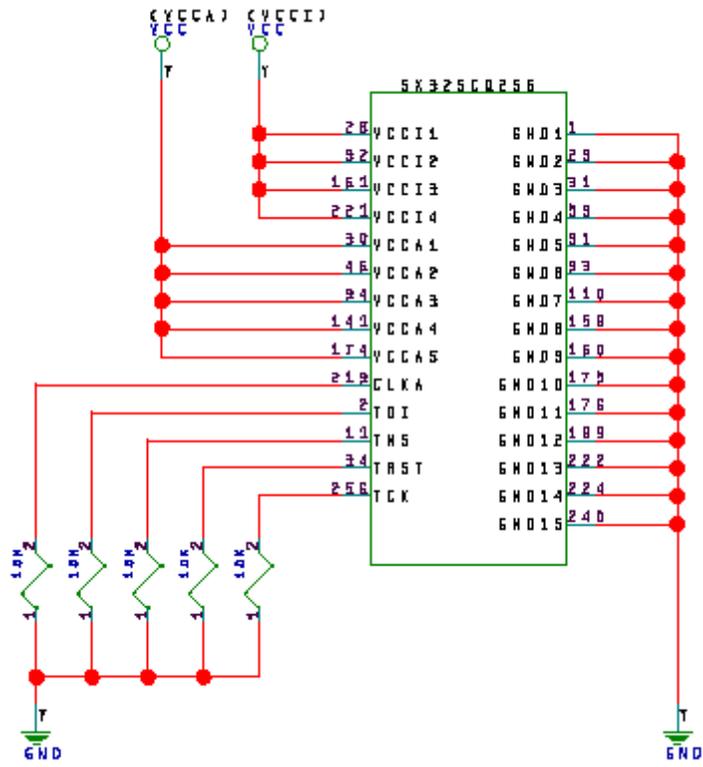


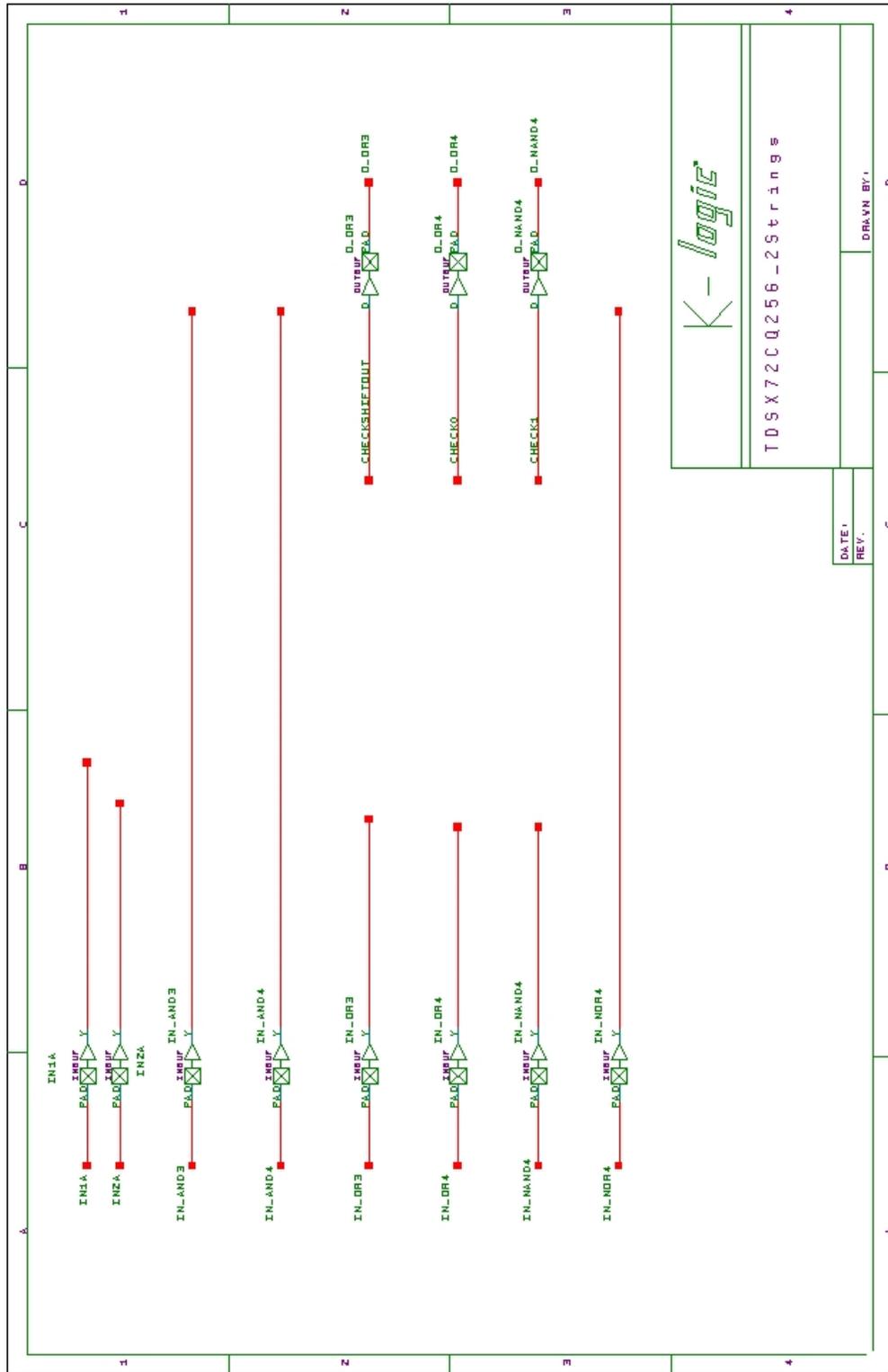
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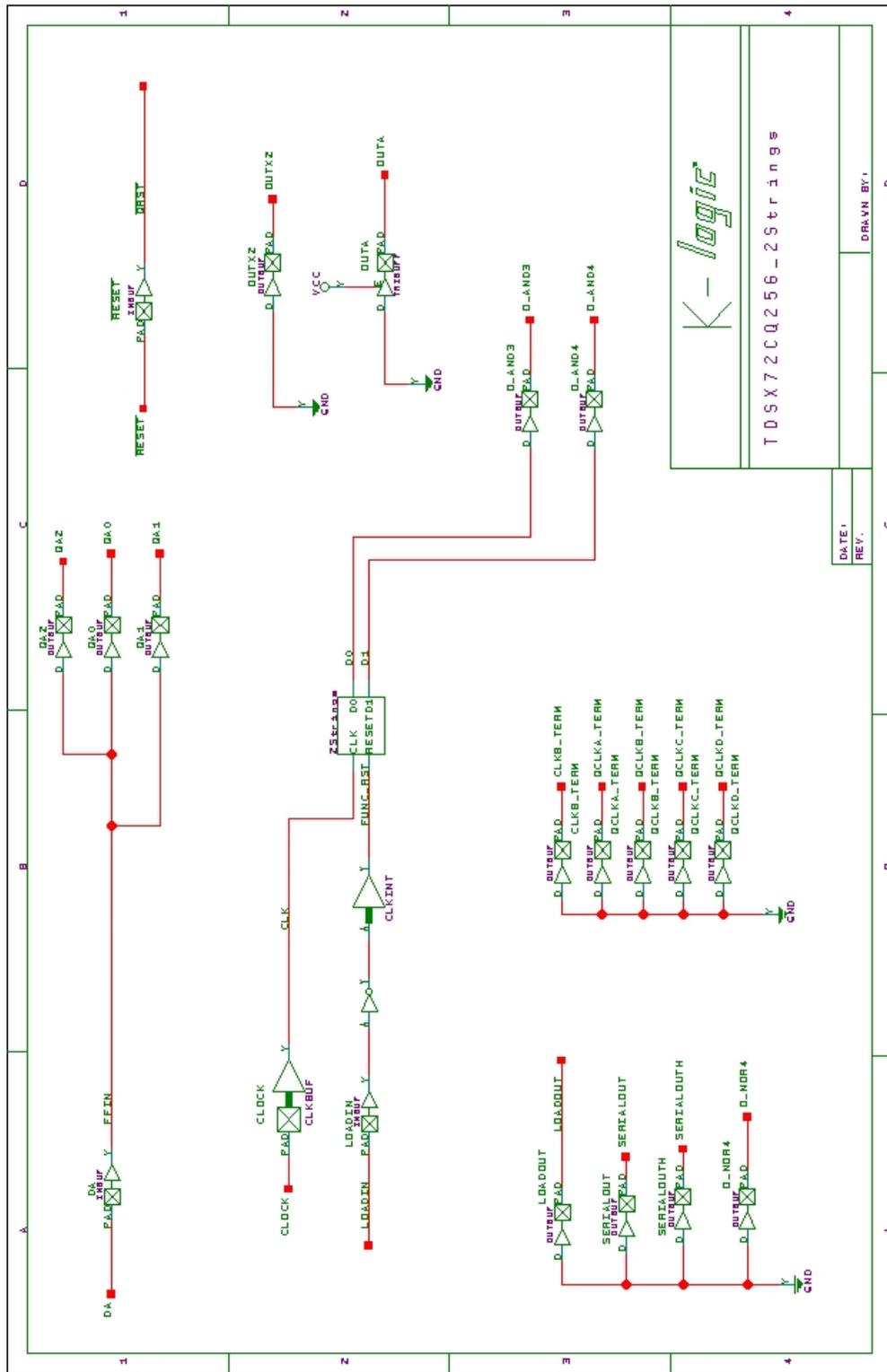
Appendix A DUT Bias





APPENDIX B DUT DESIGN SCHEMATICS (TDSX32CQ256_2STRINGS is the same as TDSX72CQ256_2STRINGS except the sizes of buffer strings and shift registers)



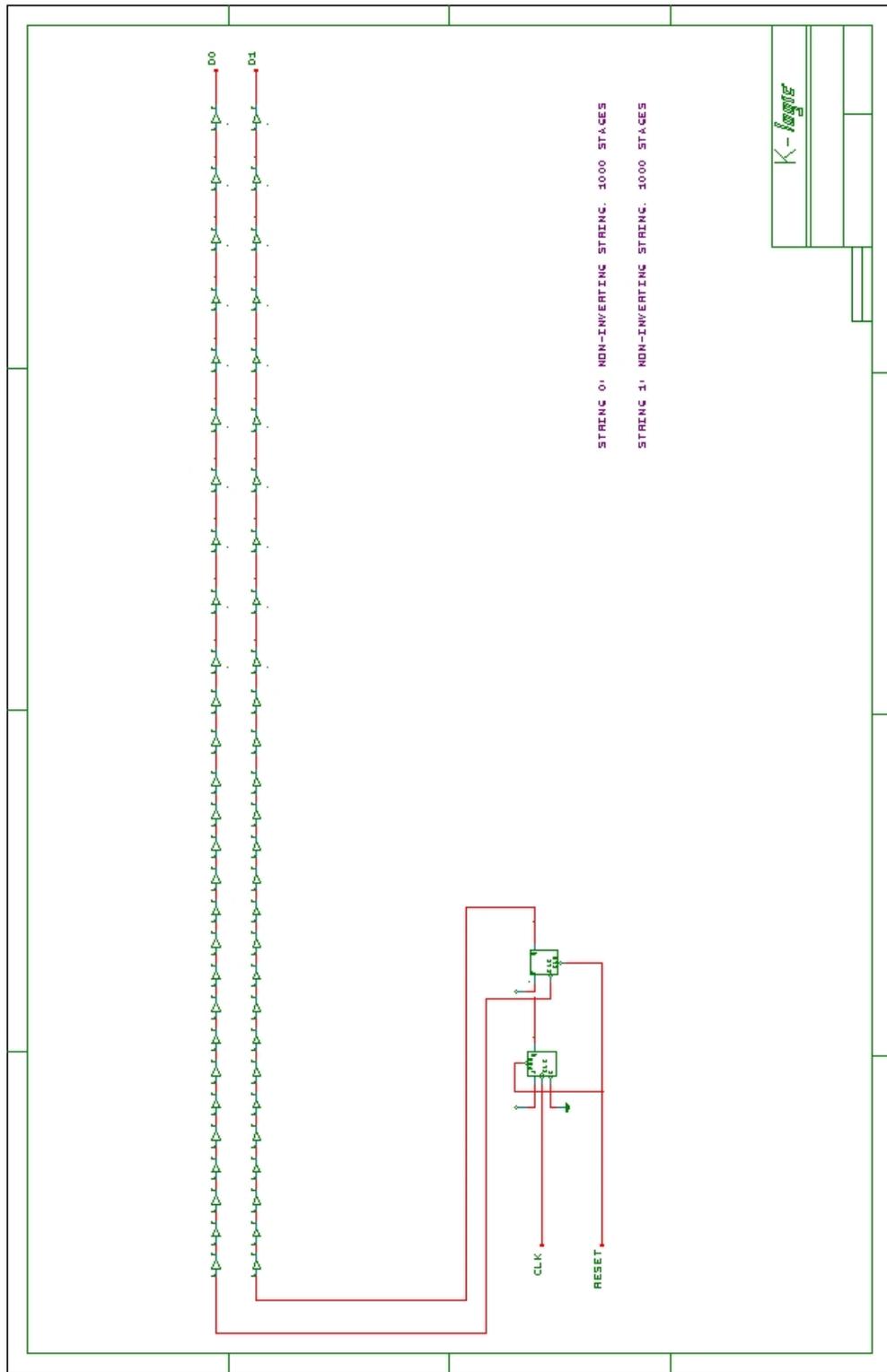


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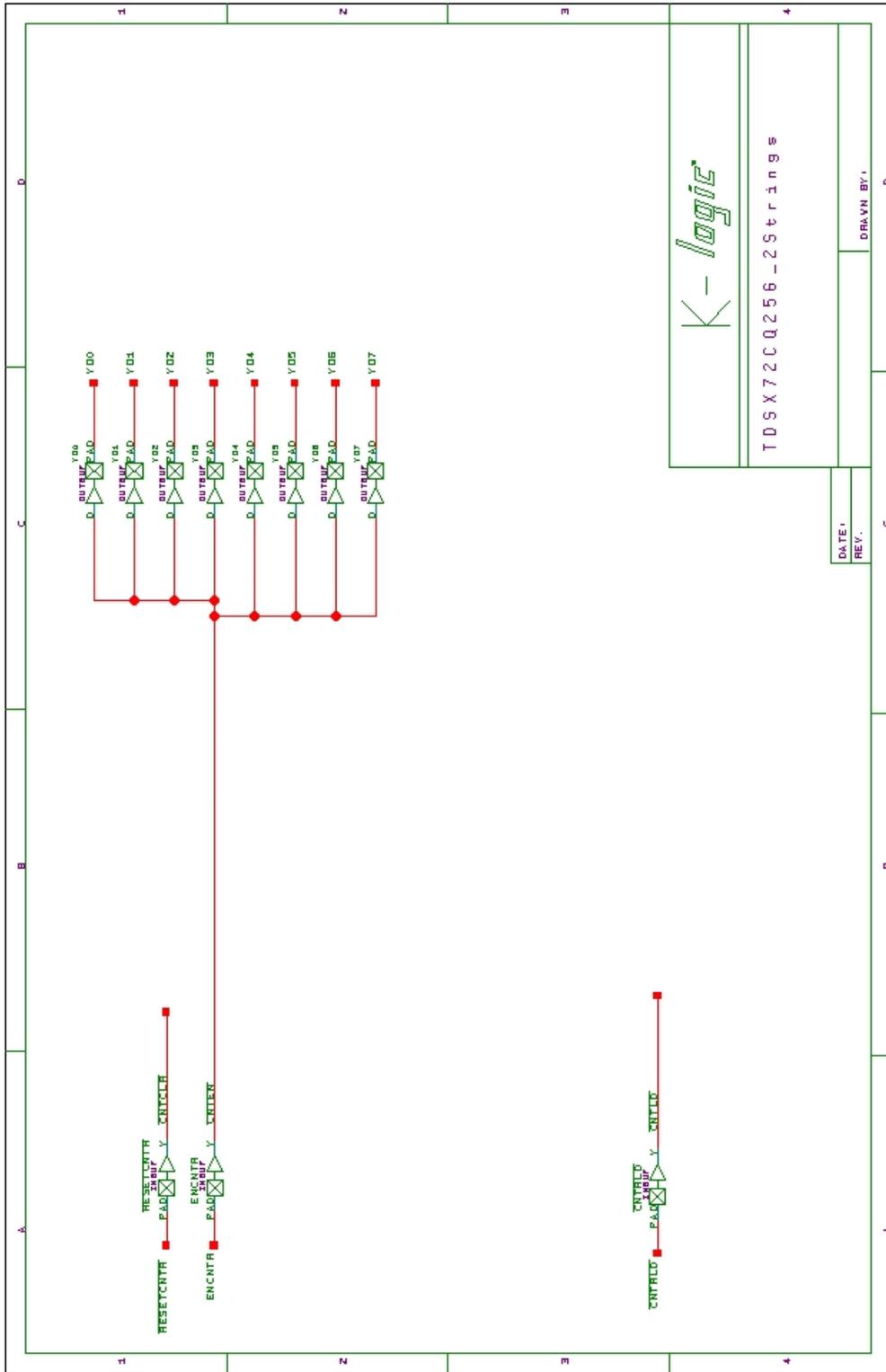
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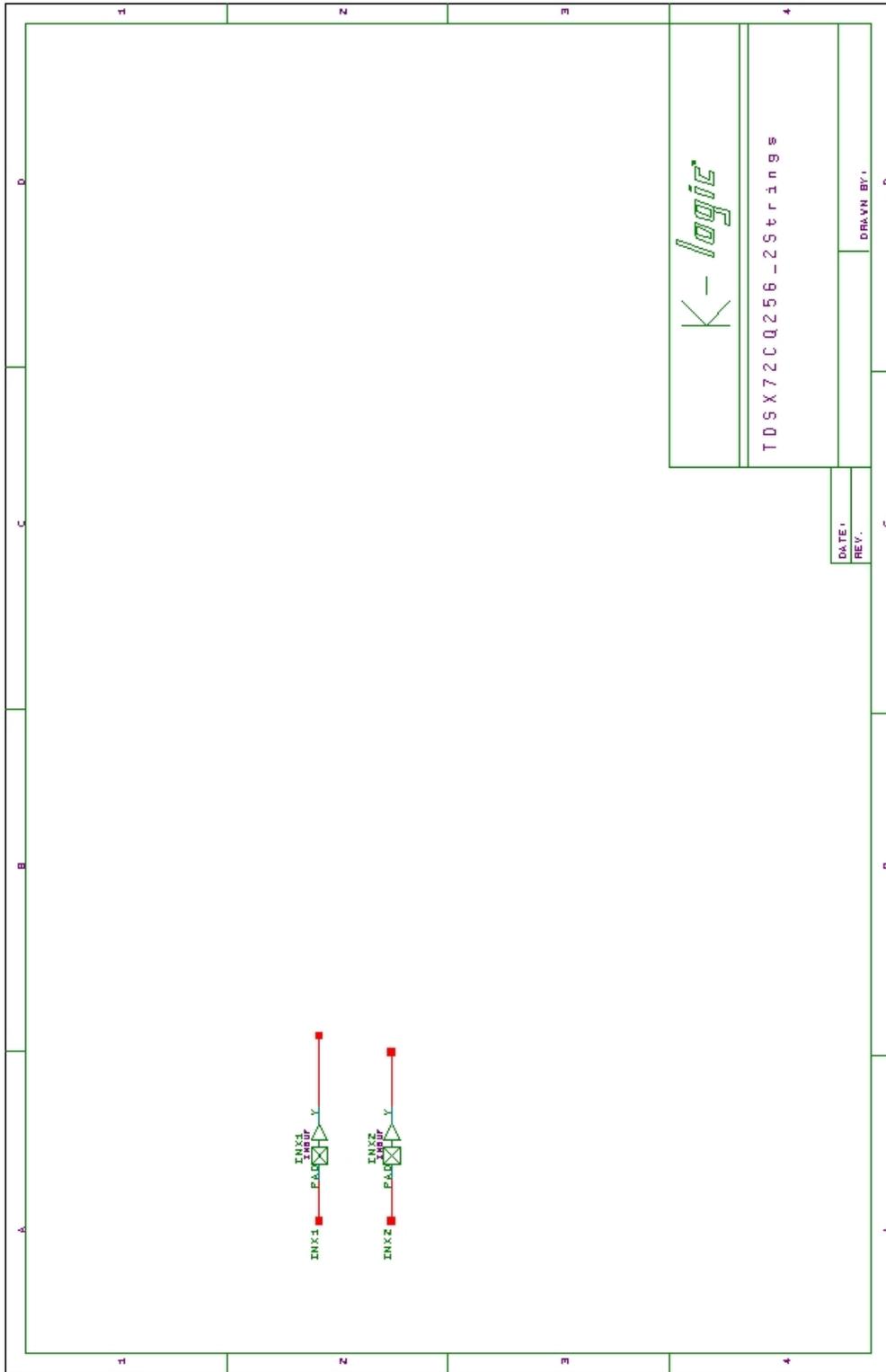


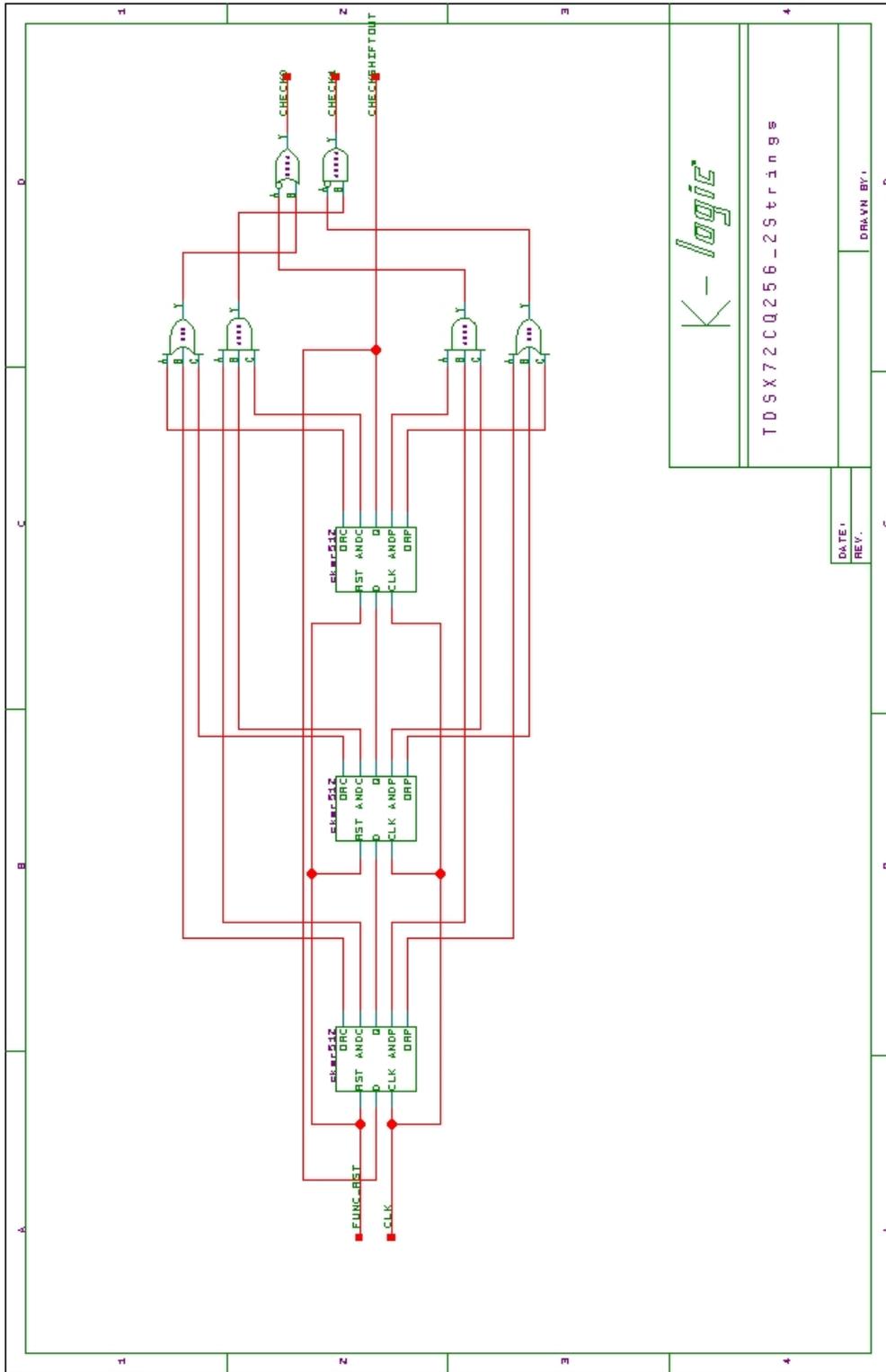


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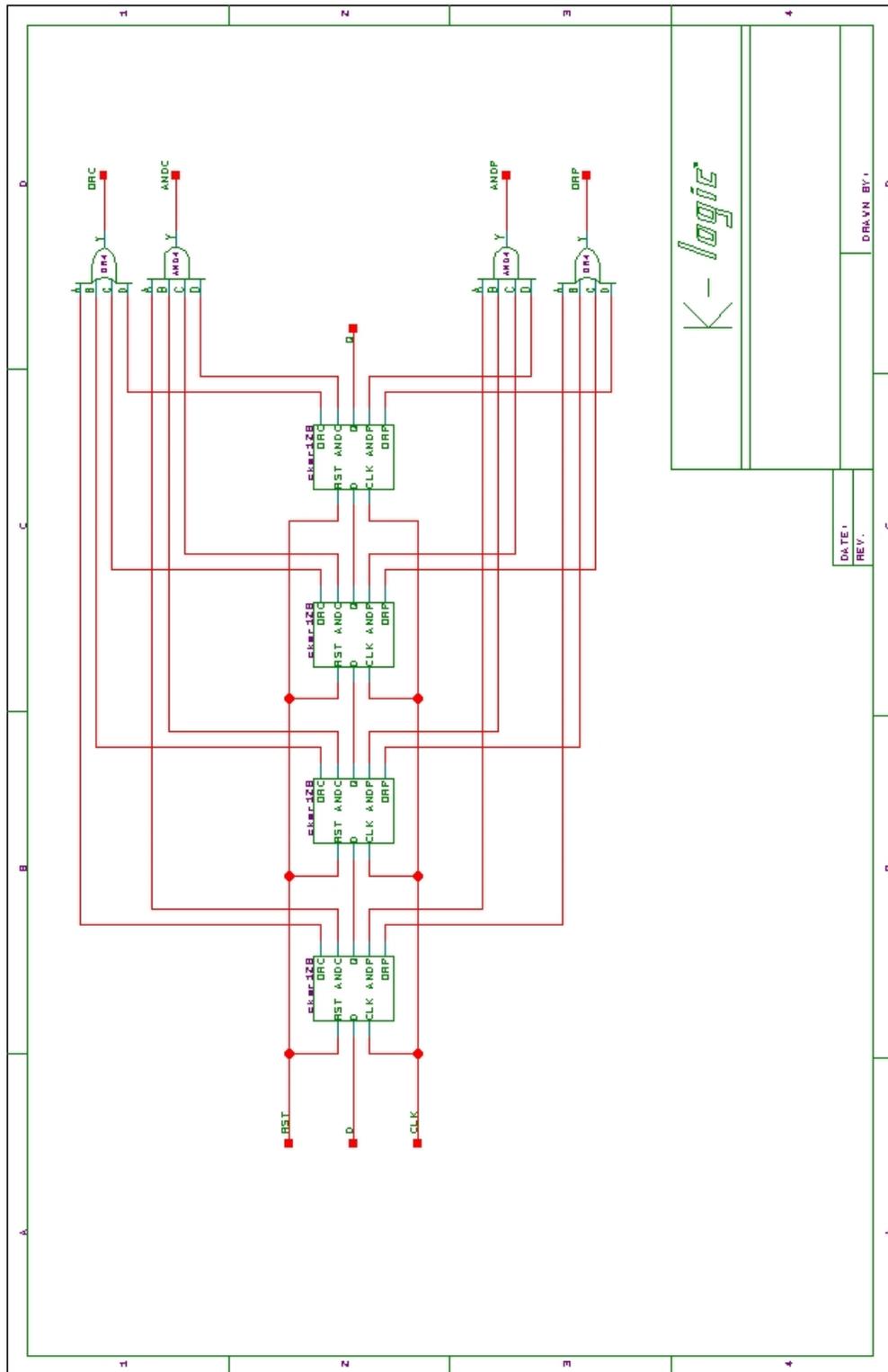


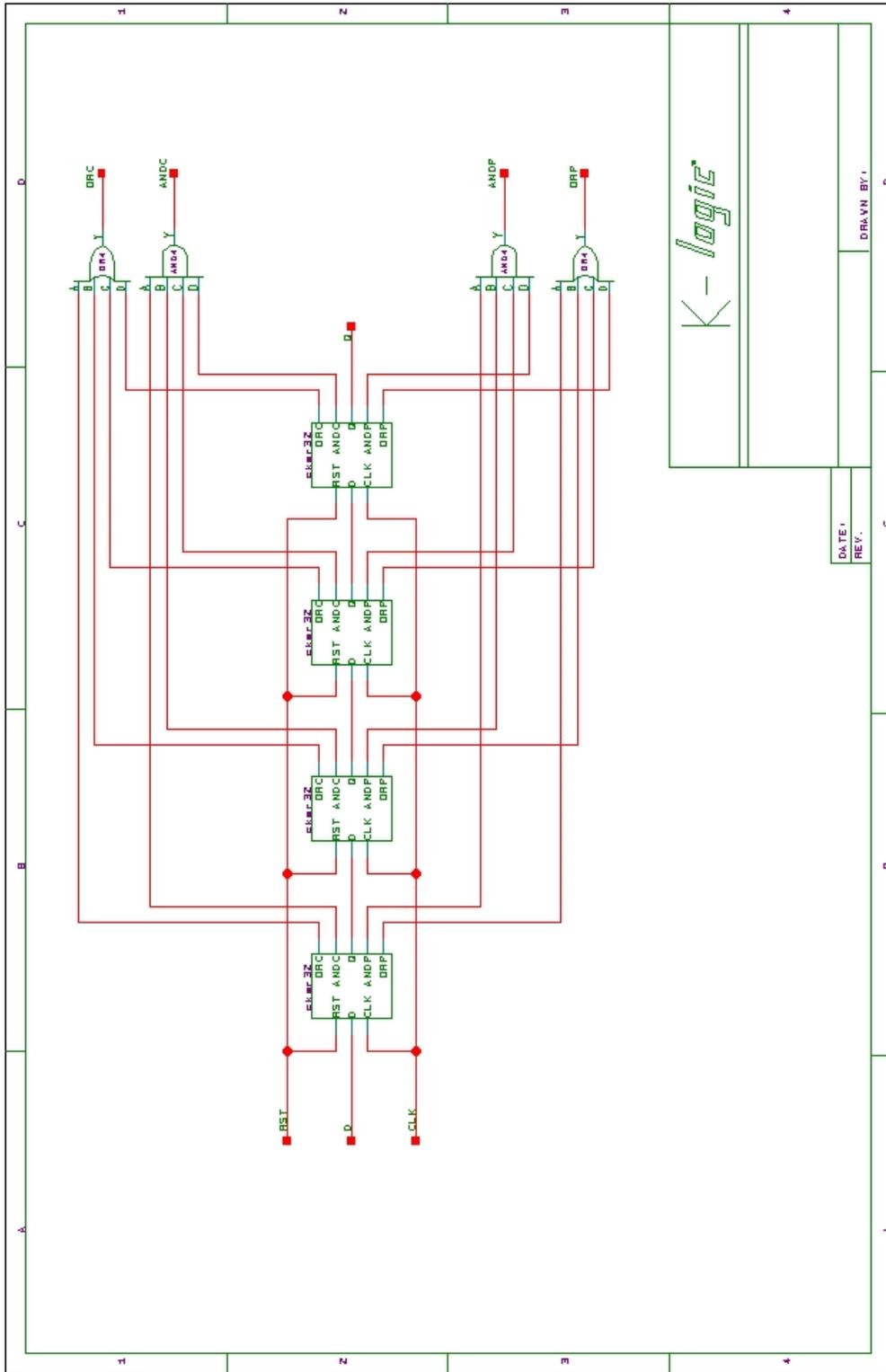
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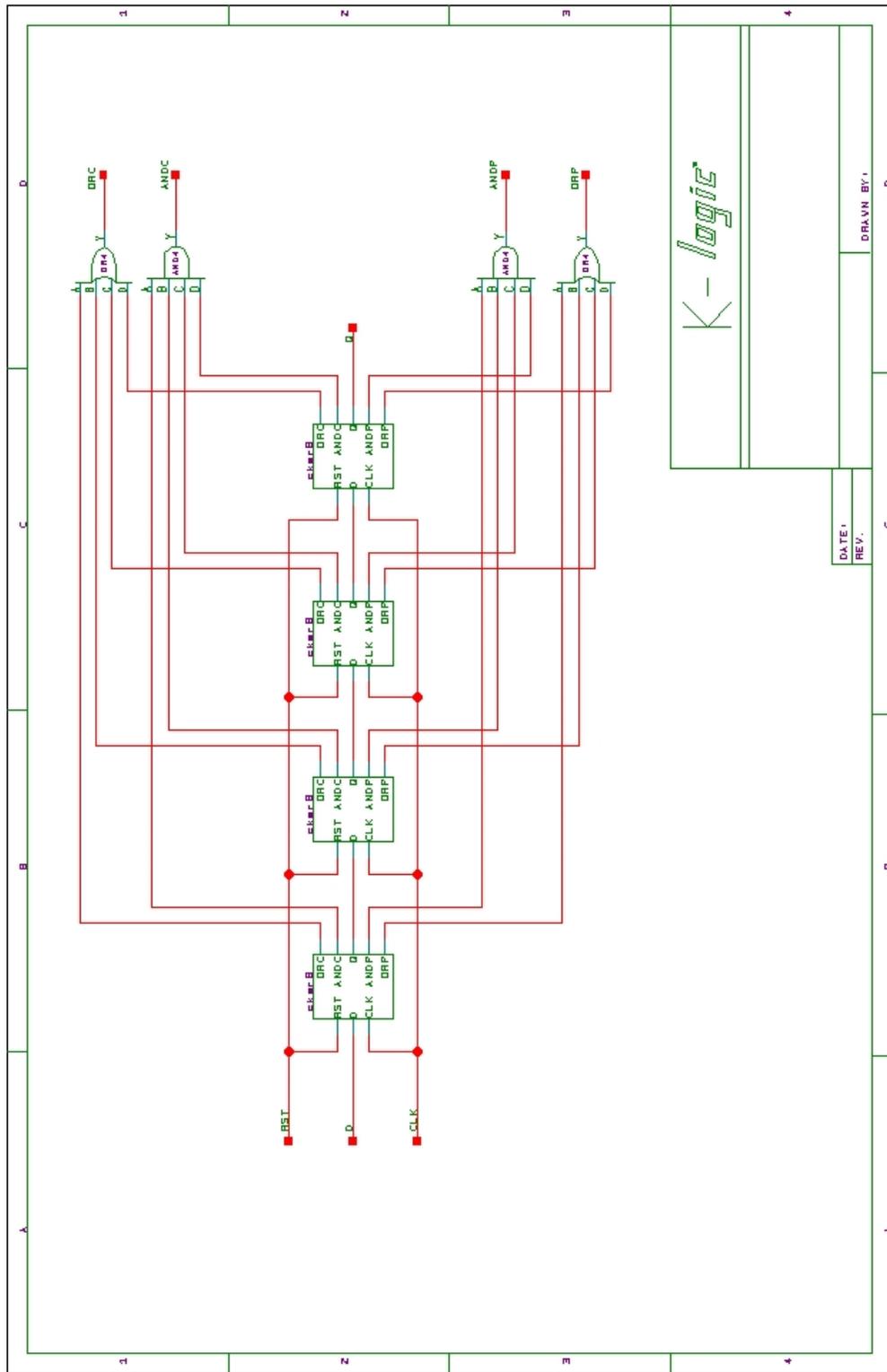




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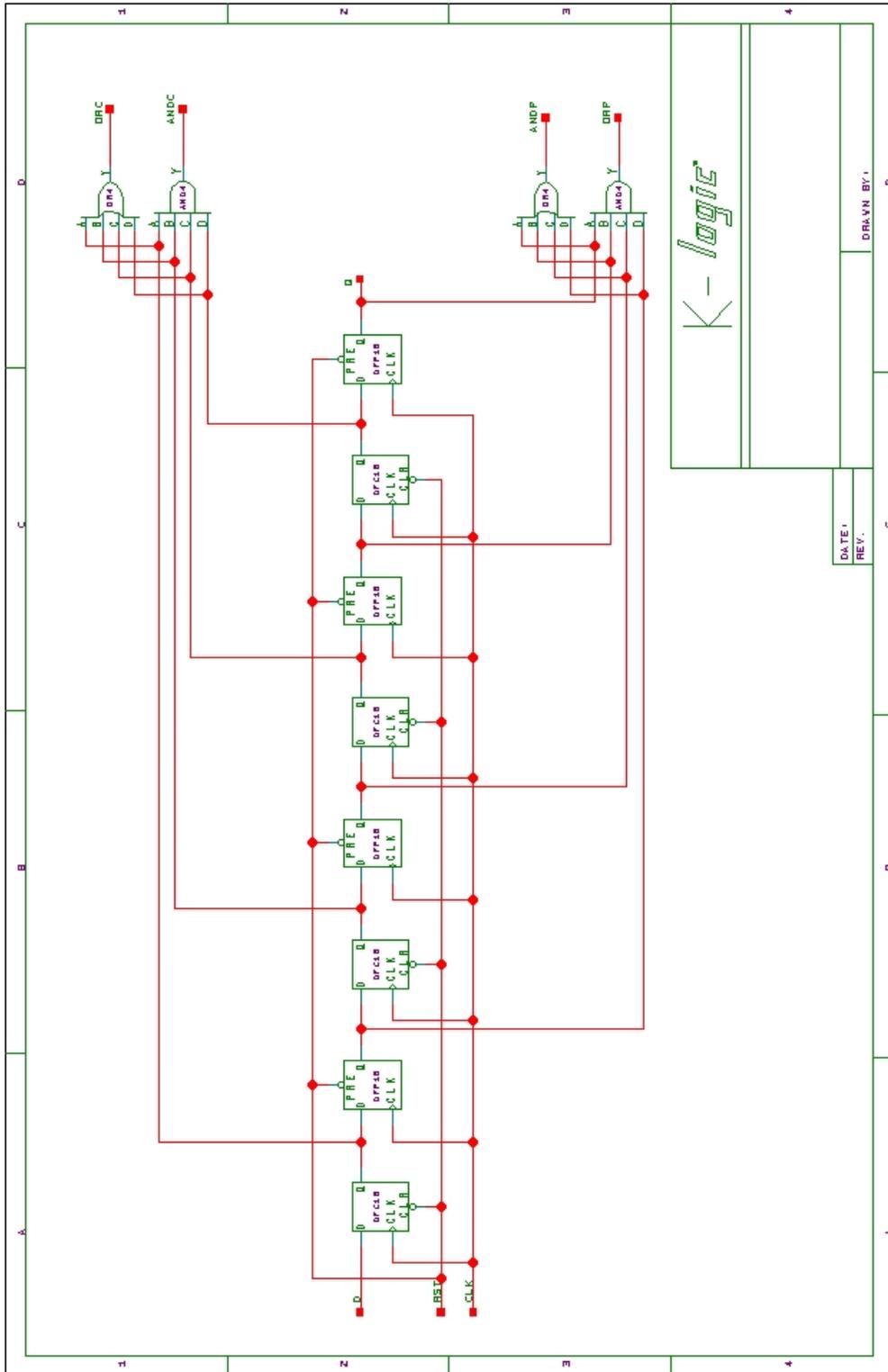
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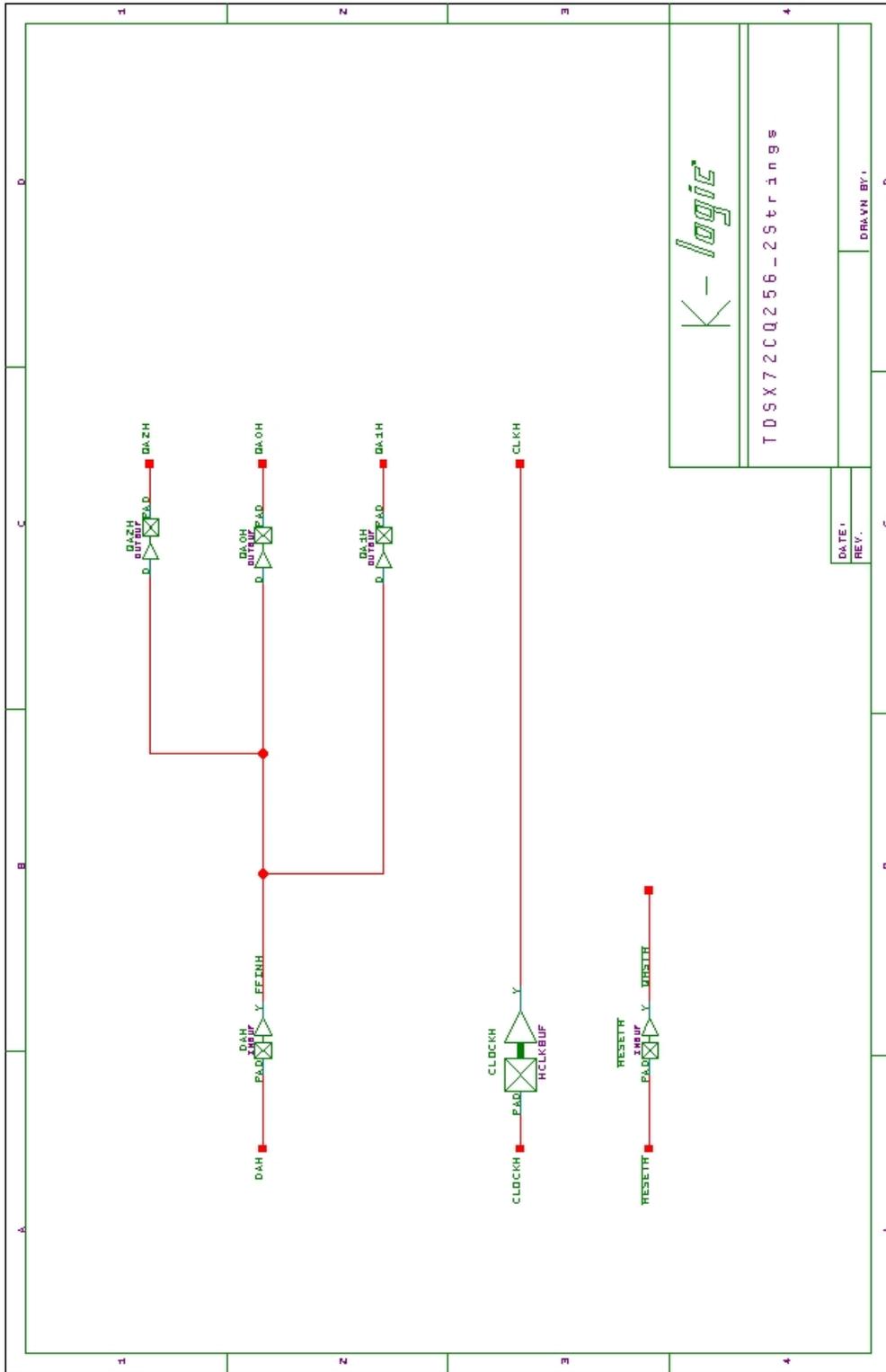


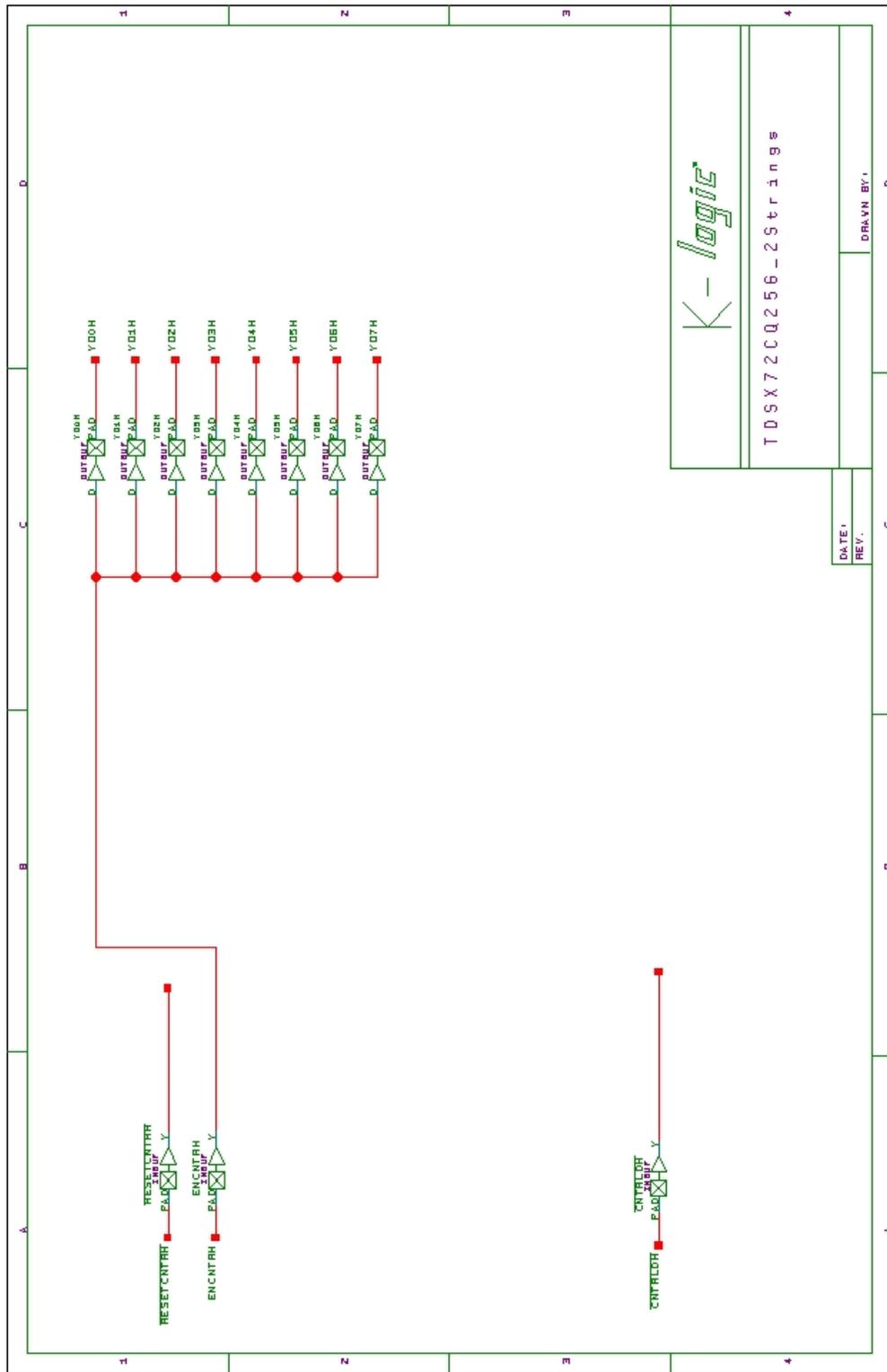
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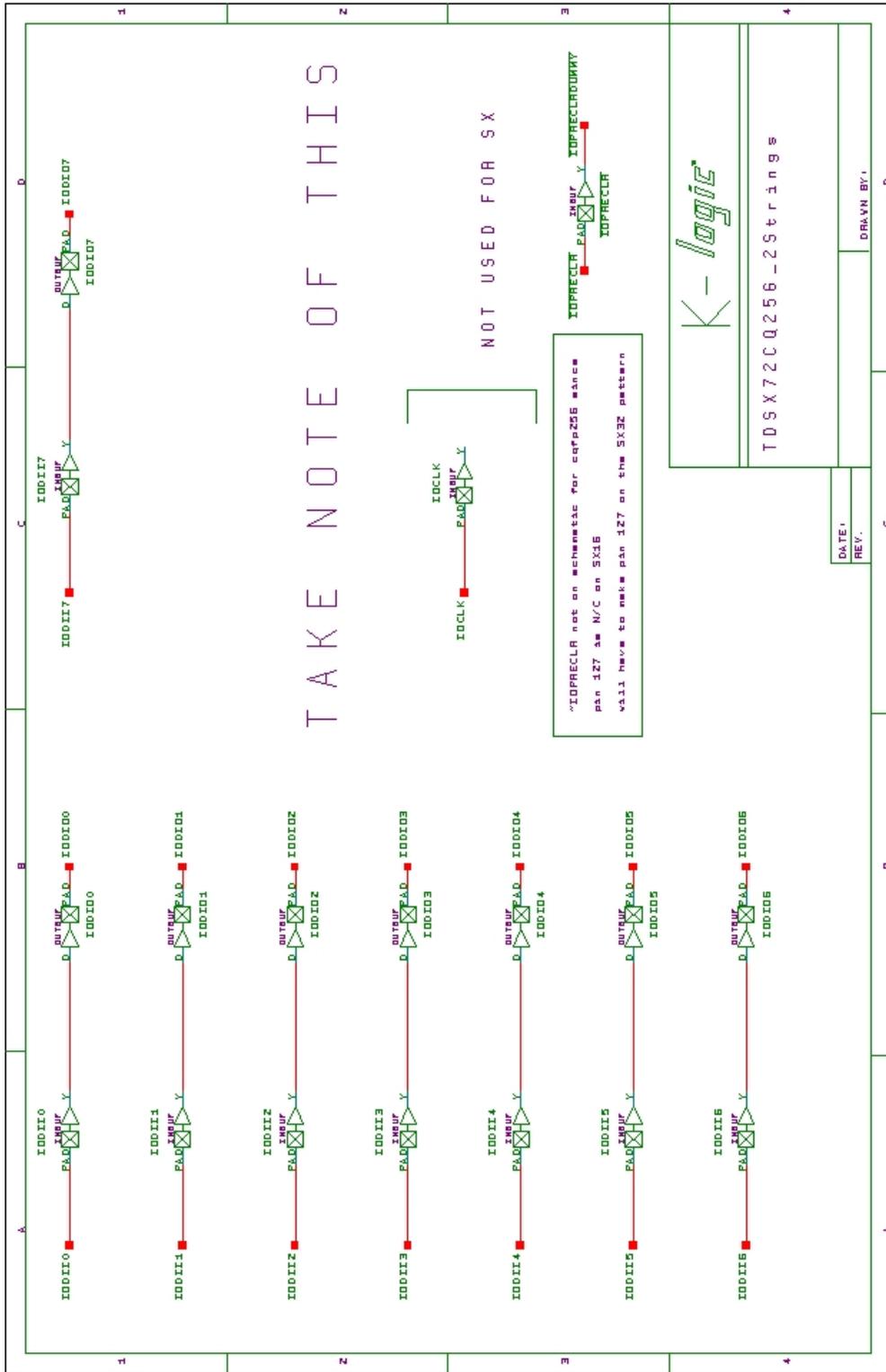
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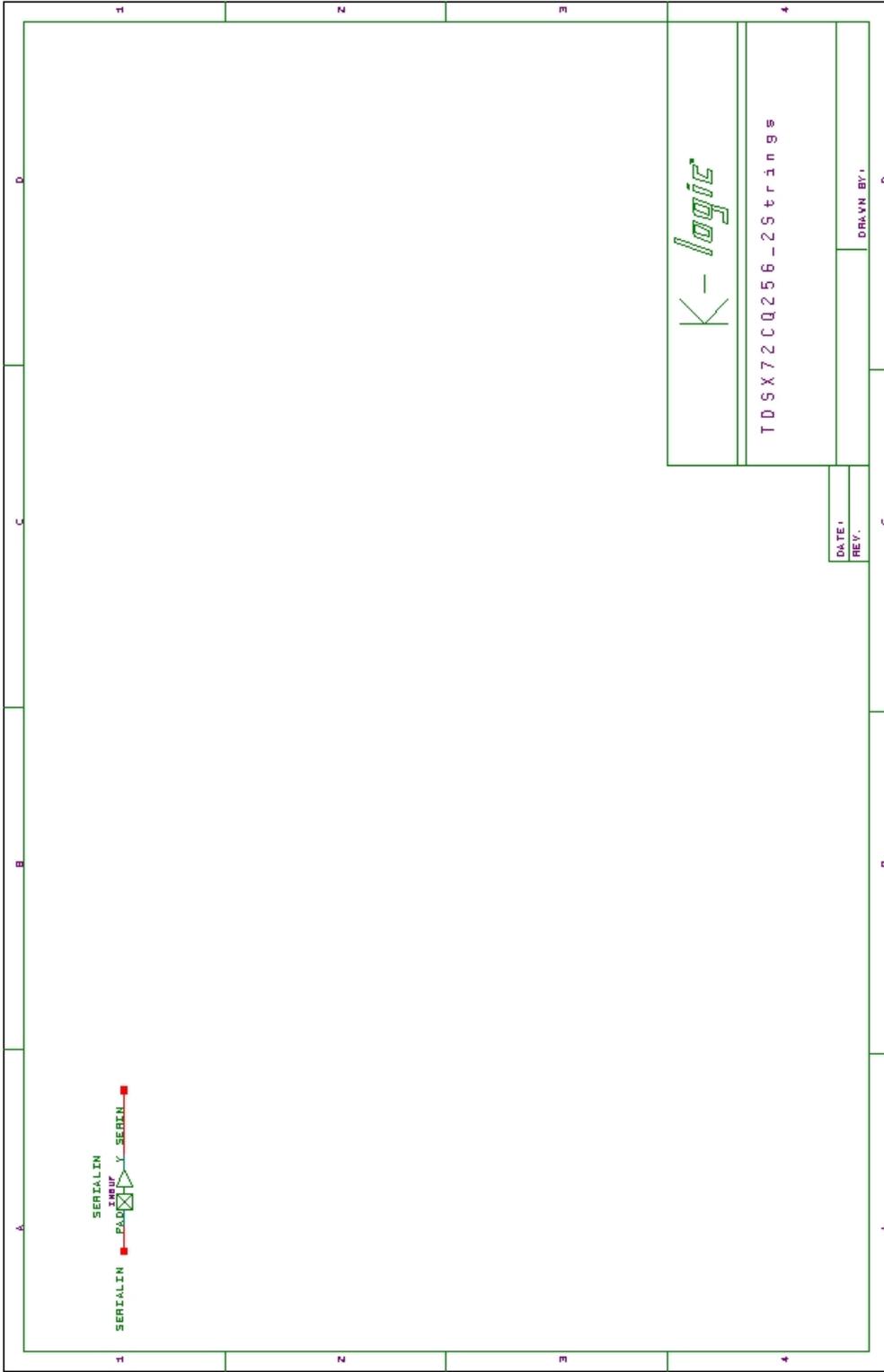
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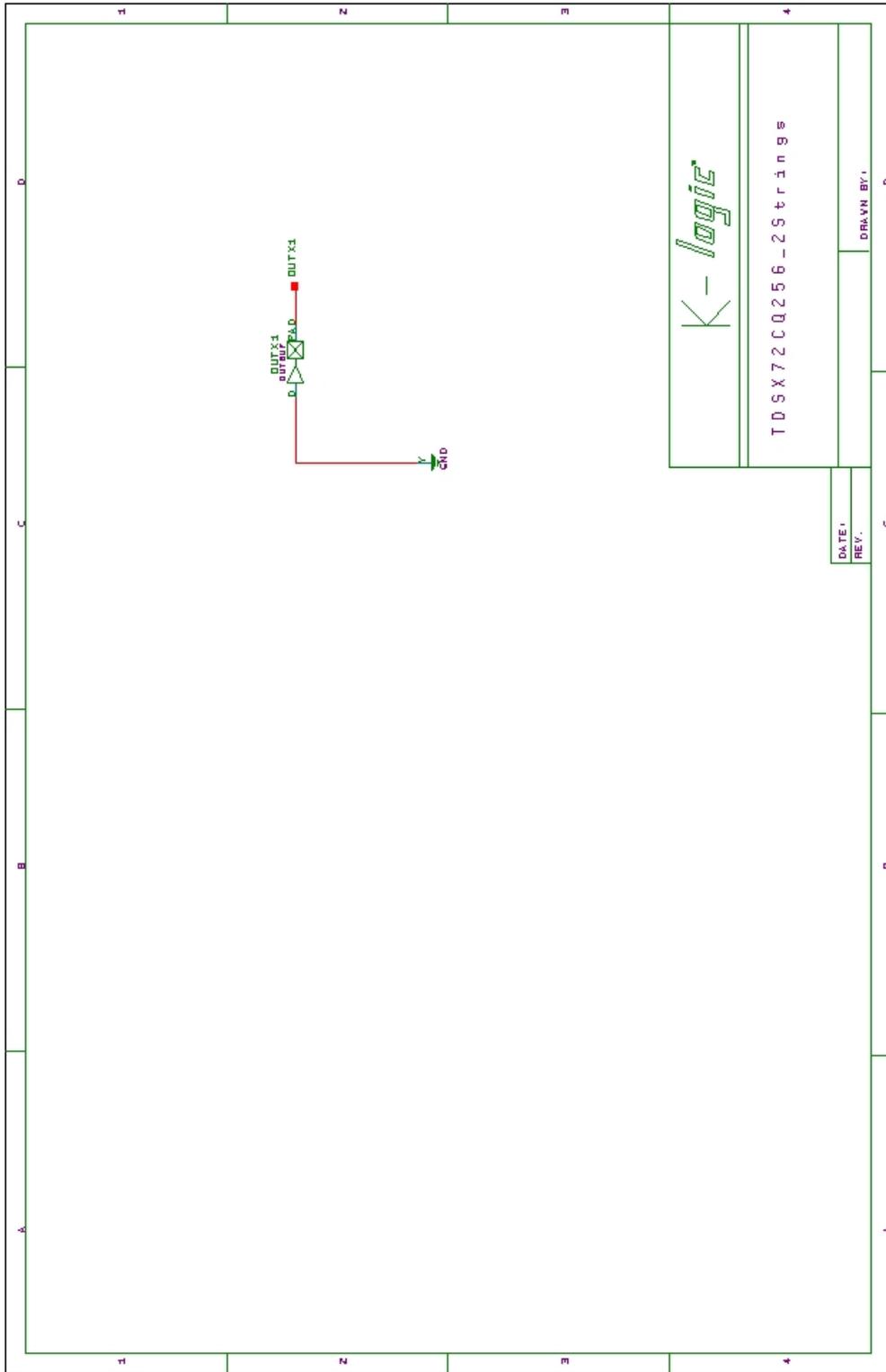












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