
Advanced MOSFETs and Novel Devices

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9. Tutorial & Exercise

9.1 Homework CMOS Roadmap

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Homework CMOS Roadmap



International Roadmap for Devices and Systems

Find out the dates, when the physical gate length (for HP logic) drops below 20 and 14 nm. Relate these values to the according technology nodes and give the device lateral pitch for high performance devices. (IRDS 2018)

Technology Node		
Year		
Physical Gate Length	< 20 nm	< 14 nm
Device lateral pitch (nm)		

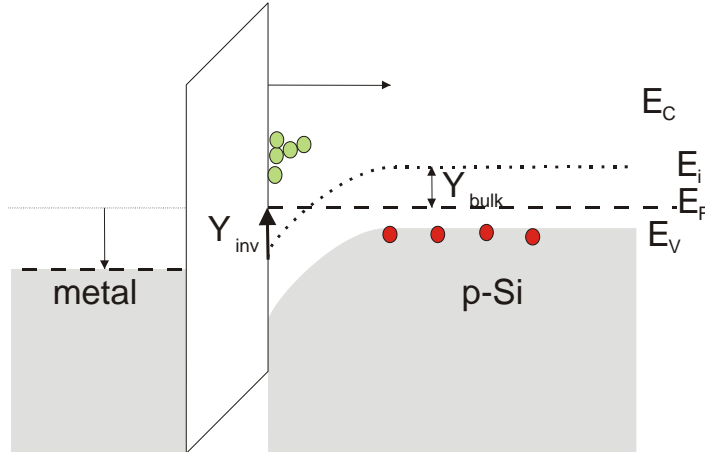
<https://irds.ieee.org>



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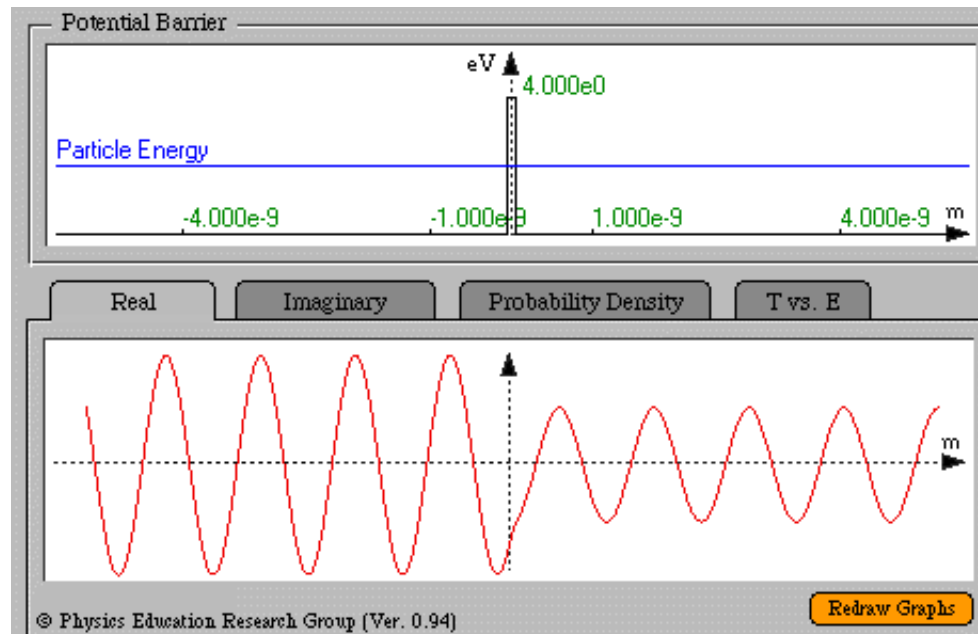
2018 UPDATE

TFET - Introduction



- SiO_2 has a barrier height of 3.1 eV
- In classical physics no electron with less energy should pass this barrier
- But leakage current exists

⇒ quantum mechanical tunneling

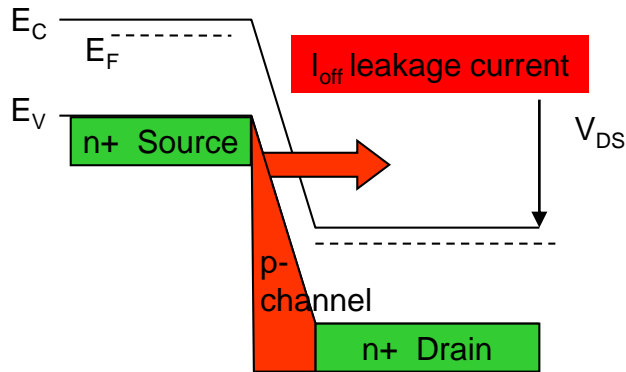


source: <http://phys.educ.ksu.edu/vqm/html/qtunneling.html>

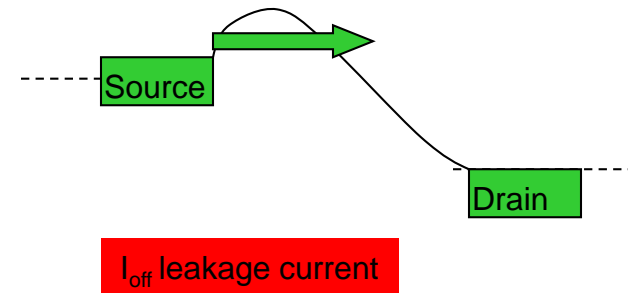
- Electrons have a wavelength of 8 nm
- Electrons can tunnel through Gateoxids less than 3 nm

Tunneling effects in Short-channel MOSFETs:

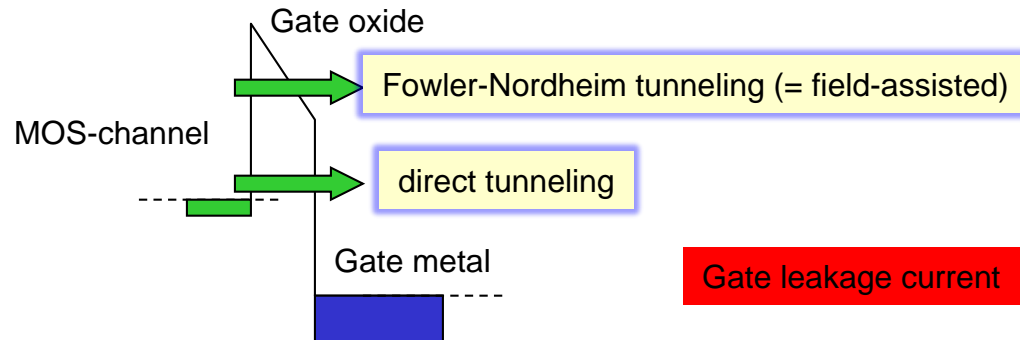
Band-Band Tunneling



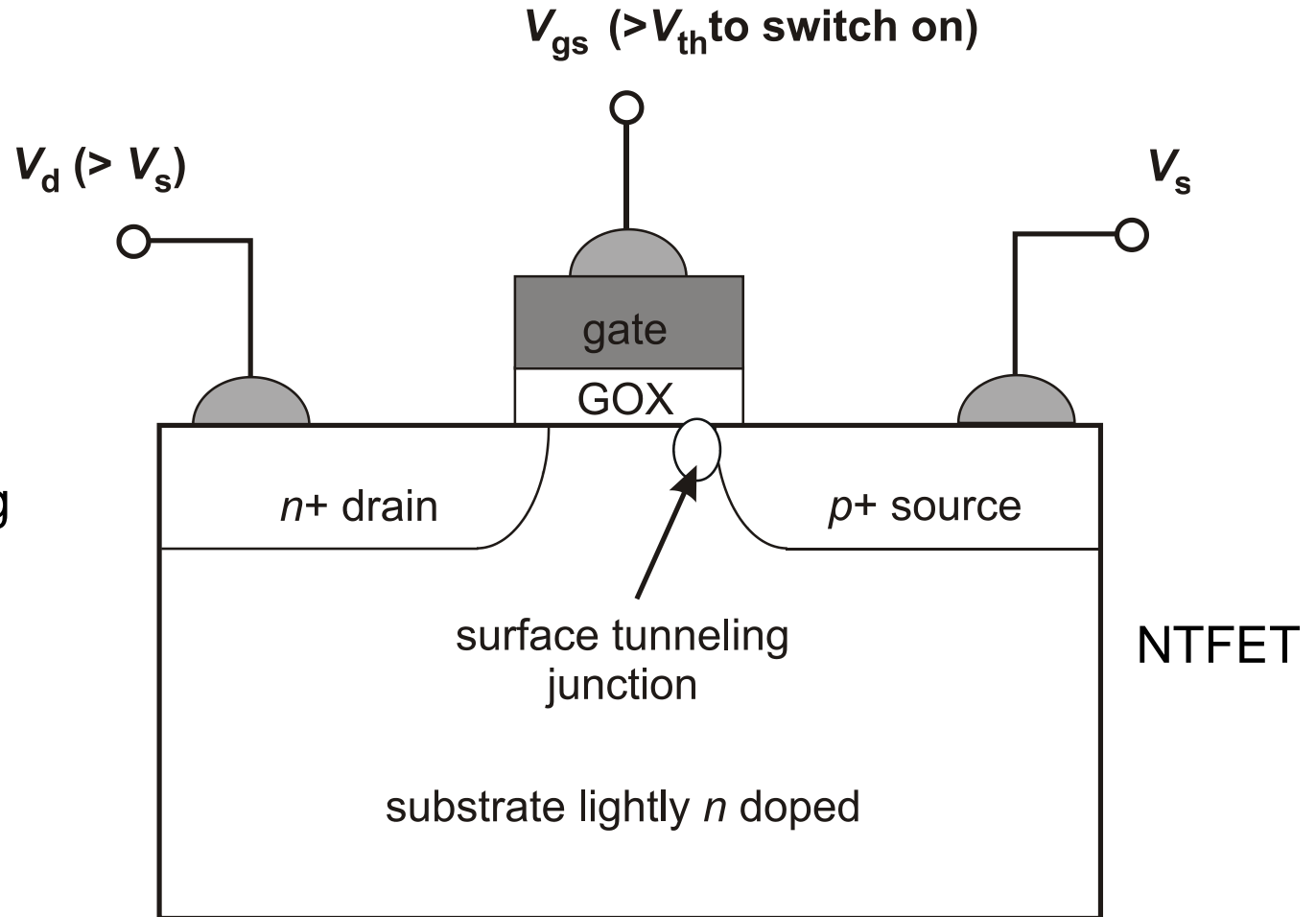
Direct Tunneling



Direct (Heterostructure) Tunneling



- Reverse biased *pin*-diode
- Interband tunneling is controlled by a MOS-gate



Tunneling probability for interband tunneling:

1. Physical model:

$$P_t = \frac{|\Psi(x_2)|^2}{|\Psi(x_1)|^2} \approx \exp\left(-2 \int_{x_1}^{x_2} |k(x)| dx\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{\pi \sqrt{m^*} E_g^{3/2}}{2\sqrt{2} e E \hbar}\right) \text{ with } k(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2m^*}{\hbar^2} \cdot \Delta E(x)}$$

$\Psi(x)$ = wave function

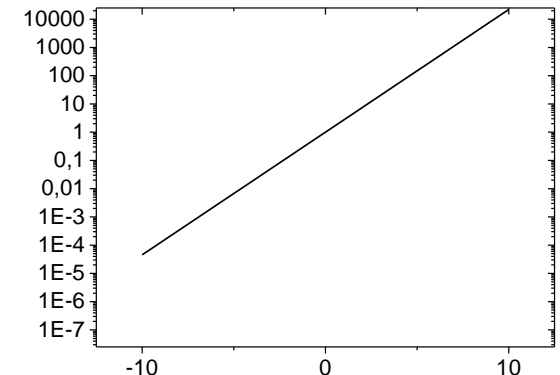
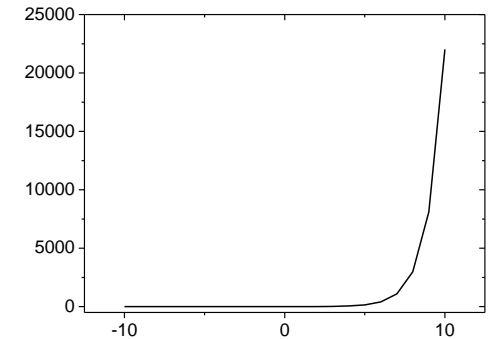
$|\Psi(x)|^2$ = probability density function

2. Empirical model used by medici simulation

Wentzel-Kramer-Brillouin approximation

Medici User Guide

Band-to-Band Tunneling



The model used by Medici has the form of Kane's model [56].

$$G^{BB} = A \cdot BTBT \frac{E_g^{C \cdot BTBT}}{E_g^{1/2}} \cdot \exp\left(-B \cdot BTBT \frac{E_g^{3/2}}{E}\right) \quad \text{Equation 2-389}$$

In this expression, E is the magnitude of the electric field and E_g is the energy bandgap. A search along the direction opposite to the electric field is performed to determine whether there is an electric potential increase of at least E_g/q for the band-to-band tunneling to occur. The check for sufficient band-bending can be adjusted using the parameters `T.DISTAN` and `V.CHANGE` on the `MODELS` statement.

The parameters `A.BTBT`, `B.BTBT` and `C.BTBT` are user adjustable parameters. Their default values are shown in Table 2-14. These values can be modified using the `MATERIAL` statement.

Table 2-14 Default Values for Band-to-Band Tunneling Parameters

G^{BB} Generation current by band-band tunneling

Tunneling current density of a reverse biased *pn*-diode (zener tunneling):

$$j_t = \int_{E_C}^{E_V} \frac{\partial j_{\text{incident}}}{\partial E} P_t \left(f_V(E) - f_C(E) \right) dE$$

Source: S. M. Sze, Physics of Semiconductor Devices

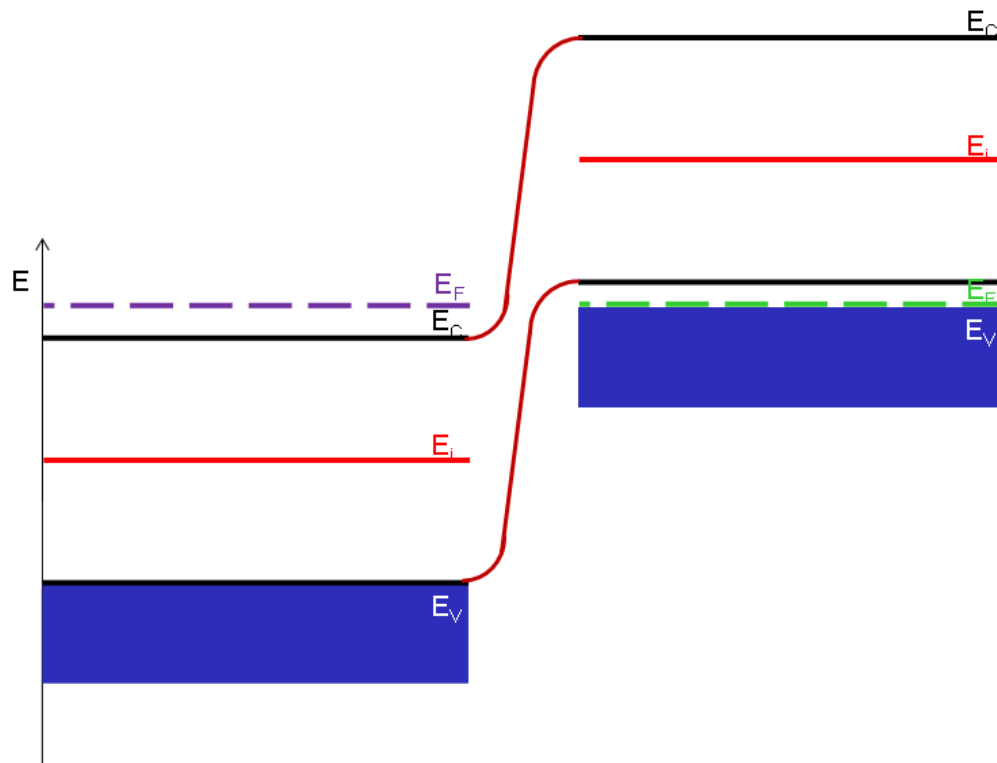
$f(E)$ = Fermi distribution

j_{incident} = incident probability current density

pn-diode

n^+

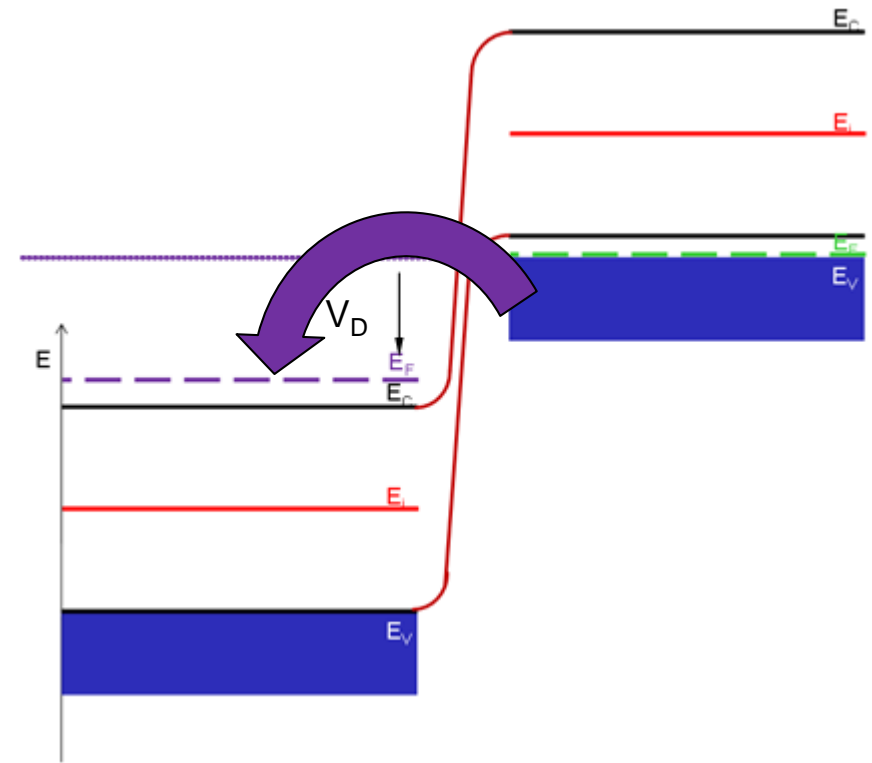
p^+



Reverse biased *pn*-diode

n^+

p^+



Tunneling current density of a reverse biased *pn*-diode:

$$j_t = \frac{\sqrt{2} \cdot e^3 E \sqrt{m^*} V_{\text{bias}}}{4\pi^3 \hbar^2 \sqrt{E_g}} \exp\left(-\frac{\pi \sqrt{m^*} E_g^{3/2}}{2\sqrt{2} \cdot e E \hbar}\right)$$

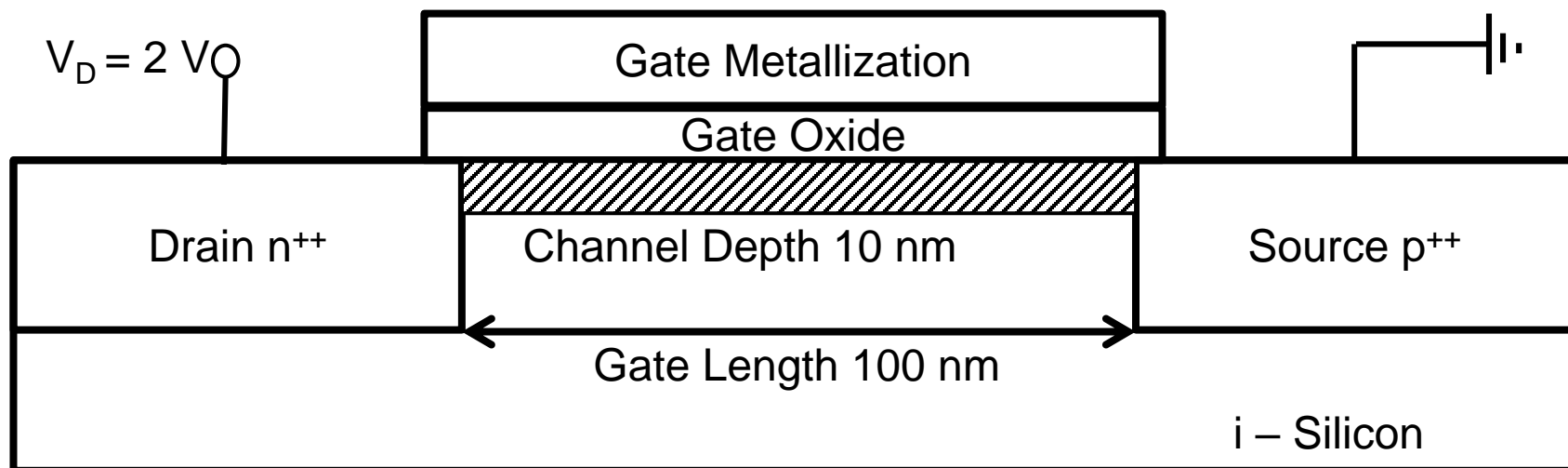
$$E \approx \frac{(E_g / e) + V_{\text{bias}}}{w}$$

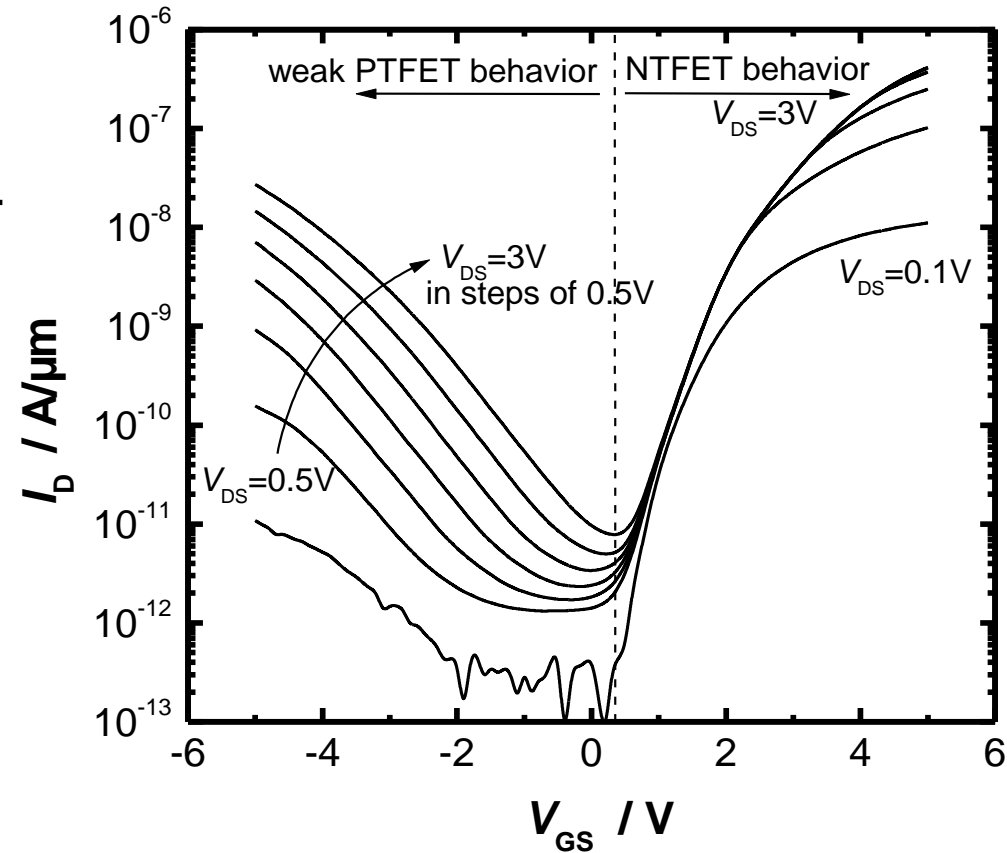
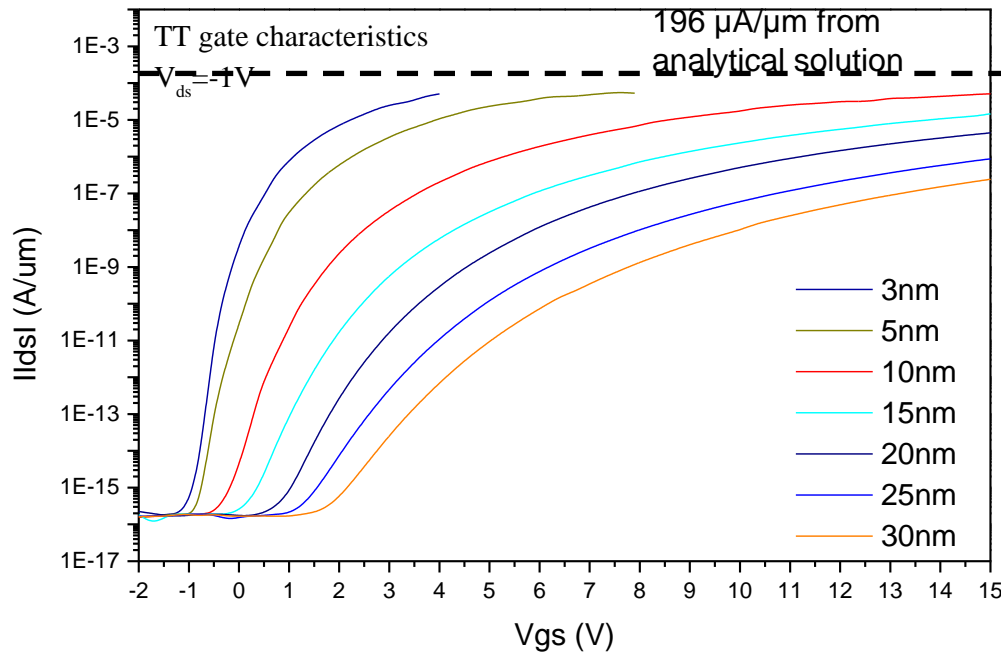
Approximation: Electric field E constant
along the whole space charge region w

Calculate the band-to-band tunneling current per micrometer channel width of a *n*-channel Tunneling Field Effect Transistor (NTFET) in the „on“ and the „off“ state.

The source and drain regions have a doping concentration of $N_A=5 \cdot 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and $N_D=5 \cdot 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, respectively. The 100 nm channel can be considered to consist of intrinsic silicon. The applied drain-source voltage V_{DS} is equal to 2.0V.

Assume that the channel depth is 10 nm. Also assume that in the „on“ state the drain doping is extended along the channel to the source, creating an abrupt *pn*-junction at the source-channel interface. The electric field E within the space charge region can be regarded constant.





- Even quantum mechanical tunneling currents can be calculated