

## Exercise 1

- 1-1. Consider the circuit of Fig.1.1.
- a) Using the simple model with  $V_{\rm Don} = 0.7 \text{V}$ , solve for  $I_{\rm D}$ ;
- b) Find  $I_D$  and  $V_D$  using the ideal diode equation. Use  $I_S = 10^{-14}$  A and T = 300 K.

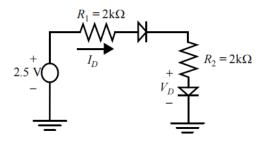


Fig.1.1

## **Answer:**

a. 
$$I_D = \frac{V_{in} - 2*V_{Don}}{R_1 + R_2} = \frac{2.5 - 2*0.7}{4K\Omega} = 275uA$$

b. 
$$I_S = 10^{-14} A, T = 300 K, V_{Don} = 0.7 V. I_D = I_S \times (e^{\frac{V_D q}{KT}} - 1)$$
 where  $\frac{KT}{q} = 26 m V @ 300 K$ 

$$I_{D} = \frac{V_{in} - 2 \cdot V_{Don}}{R_{1} + R_{2}} = I_{S} \times \left(e^{\frac{V_{D}q}{KT}} - 1\right) \text{ iterating on this expression we can obtain } \frac{V_{D}}{I_{D}} = \frac{0.628V}{311uA}$$

- 1-2. For the circuit in Fig.1.2,  $V_s$ =3.3 V. Assume  $A_D = 12 \mu m^2$ ,  $\varphi_0 = 0.65 \text{ V}$ , and m= 0.5,  $N_{\rm A} = 2.5 \times 10^{16}$  and  $N_{\rm D} = 5 \times 10^{15}$ .
- a) Is the diode forward- or reverse-biased?
- b) Find  $I_D$  and  $V_D$ ;
- c) Find the depletion region width,  $W_j$ , of the diode;
- d) Use the parallel-plate model to find the junction capacitance,  $C_i$ ;
- e) Set  $V_s = 1.5$  V. Again using the parallel-plate model, explain qualitatively why  $C_j$ increases.

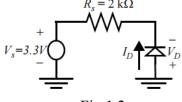


Fig.1.2

### **Answer:**

Reverse biased

b. 
$$I_D = I_{REV} = -I_S \approx 0, V_D = -V_S = -3.3V$$

c. 
$$W_j = \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot \varepsilon_{si}}{q} \times \frac{N_A + N_D}{N_A N_D} \times (\varphi_0 - V_D)}, q = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} C, V_D = -V_S = -3.3 V,$$

$$\varepsilon_{si} = 11.7\varepsilon_0 = 1.035 \times 10^{-10} \, F/_m$$
,  $N_A = 2.5 \times \frac{10^{16}}{\text{cm}^3}$ ,  $N_D = 5 \times \frac{10^{15}}{\text{cm}^3}$ 

 $W_i = 1.107 \times 10^{-4} cm.$ 

d. 
$$C_j = \frac{\varepsilon_{si} \cdot A_D}{W_i}$$
,  $A_D = 12 \times 10^{-8} cm^2$ ,  $C_j = 1.12 \times 10^{-15} F$ .

e.  $V_{SNEW} = 1.5 \text{V} < V_{SOLD} = 3.3 \text{V}$ . The new voltage reduces the reverse bias of the PN junction, hence the width of the depletion region,  $W_j$ , decreases. As you bring the plates of capacitor together, the capacitance increases.

1-3.Fig.1.3 shows NMOS and PMOS devices with drains, source, and gate ports annotated. Determine the operation region (saturation, linear, or cut-off) and the drain current  $I_D$  for each of the biasing configurations given in table. Assume the model parameters from Table.1.1,  $V_{BS}$ =0 and W/L = 1, L=1um, fill the table

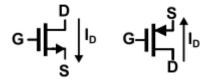


Fig.1.3

# **Answer:**

	$V_{GS}(V)$	$V_{DS}(V)$	Operation region	$I_D$
NMOS	2.5	2.5	saturation	392.04uA
	3.3	2.2	linear	726uA
	0.6	0.1	cut-off	0
PMOS	-0.5	-1.25	cut-off	0
	-2.5	-1.8	saturation	176.58uA
	-2.5	-0.7	linear	101.5uA

NMOS :1. Saturation 
$$I_D = k'_n \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{TH})^2 (1 + \lambda V_{DS}) = 392.04 uA;$$

2. linear 
$$I_D = 2 \times k_n' \frac{w}{L} \left( (V_{GS} - V_{TH}) V_{DS} - \frac{V_{DS}^2}{2} \right) = 726 uA;$$

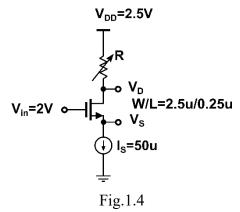
3. cut-off  $I_D = 0$ ,

PMOS : 1. cut-off 
$$I_D = 0$$
,

2. Saturation 
$$I_D = k_p' \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{TH})^2 (1 + \lambda V_{DS}) = 176.58 uA$$

3. linear 
$$I_D = 2 \times k_p' \frac{W}{L} \left( (V_{GS} - V_{TH}) V_{DS} - \frac{V_{DS}^2}{2} \right) = 101.5 uA$$

- 1-4. An NMOS device is plugged into the test configuration shown below in Fig. 1.4 The input  $V_{in}$  is 2V. The current source draws a constant current of 50  $\mu$ A. R is a variable resistor between  $10k\Omega$  and  $30 k\Omega$ . Transistor M1 has following transistor parameters:  $k'=110\mu$  V/A<sup>2</sup>,  $V_T=0.7$ V, and  $V_{DSAT}=0.6$ V, and has a  $W/L=2.5\mu$ m/0.25um. For simplicity, the body effect and channel length modulation can be neglected, i.e  $\lambda=0$ ,  $\gamma=0$ .
- a) When  $R = 10k\Omega$  find the operation region,  $V_D$  and  $V_S$ .
- b) For the case of  $R = 10k\Omega$ , would  $V_S$  increase or decrease if  $\lambda \neq 0$ . Explain qualitatively.



#### **Answer:**

**a.** When R = 10K,  $V_D = V_{DD} - IR = 2.5 - 50 \times 10^{-6} \times 10^4 = 2.5 - 0.5 = 2V$ . Assume the device is in saturation  $I_D = k_n' \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{TH})^2 = 50uA$  find  $V_{GS} - V_{TH} = 0.213V$ , so  $V_{GS} = 0.213 + 0.7V = 0.913V$ ,

 $V_S = 1.087 V.V_{GS}$ =0.913V, $V_{DS}$ =1.087V device in the saturation.

**b.** Increase.  $V_D$  is fixed due to constant current.  $1 + \lambda V_{DS}$  form would try to increase the current more then 50uA, thus  $V_{GS}$  needs to reduce by increase  $V_S$ .

### Thinking Questions(optional)

1-5. Show that two MOS transistors connected in parallel with channel widths of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  and identical channel lengths of L can be modeled as one equivalent MOS transistor whose width is  $W_1+W_2$  and whose length is L, as shown in Fig.2.6 Assume the transistors are identical except for their channel widths.

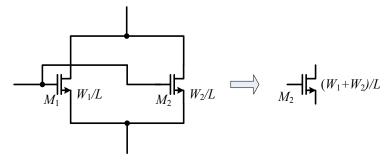


Fig.2.6

## **Answer:**

For 
$$V_{DS} \leq V_{GS} - V_{TH}$$

$$I_{D1} = \mu C_{OX} \frac{W_1}{L} [(V_{GS} - V_{TH})V_{DS} - \frac{1}{2}V_{DS}^2]$$

$$I_{D2} = \mu C_{OX} \frac{W_2}{L} [(V_{GS} - V_{TH})V_{DS} - \frac{1}{2}V_{DS}^2]$$
.....
$$I_{Dn} = \mu C_{OX} \frac{W_n}{L} [(V_{GS} - V_{TH})V_{DS} - \frac{1}{2}V_{DS}^2]$$

$$\therefore I_D = I_{D1} + I_{D2} + \dots + I_{Dn} = \mu C_{OX} \frac{W_1 + W_2 + \dots + W_n}{L} [(V_{GS} - V_{TH})V_{DS} - \frac{1}{2}V_{DS}^2]$$
For  $V_{DS} \geq V_{GS} - V_{TH}$ 

$$I_D = I_{D1} + I_{D2} + \dots + I_{Dn} = \frac{1}{2}\mu C_{OX} \frac{W_1 + W_2 + \dots + W_n}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{TH})^2$$

Thus the equivalent length = L and the equivalent width =  $W_1 + W_2 + ... + W_n$ .

1-6. Show that two MOS transistors connected in series with channel lengths of  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  and identical channel widths of W can be modeled as one equivalent MOS transistor whose width is W and whose length is  $L_1+L_2$ , as shown in Fig. 2.7. Assume the transistors are identical except for their channel lengths. Ignore the body effect and channel-length modulation.

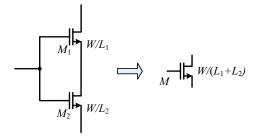
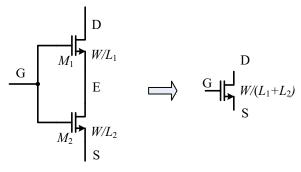


Fig.2.7

#### **Answer:**



(1) When  $V_{GS} < V_{TH}$  and  $V_{GE} < V_{GS} < V_{TH}$ , the MOSFETs are in cut off.

(2) While M1 operates in triode ( $V_{DE} < V_{GE} - V_{THN}$ ), that is equivalent to  $V_{DE} + V_{ES} < V_{GE} + V_{ES} - V_{THN}$ , i.e.  $V_{DS} < V_{GS} - V_{THN}$ .

Thus M2 operates in triode, too.

Thus

$$I_{D1} = \mu_n C_{OX} \frac{W}{L_1} [(V_{GE} - V_{TH}) V_{DE} - \frac{1}{2} V_{DE}^2]$$
 (1)

$$I_{D2} = \mu_n C_{OX} \frac{W}{L_2} [(V_{GS} - V_{TH}) V_{ES} - \frac{1}{2} V_{ES}^2]$$
 (2)

Since

$$V_{DS} = V_{DE} + V_{ES} \quad (3)$$

$$V_{GE} = V_{GS} - V_{ES} \quad (4)$$

$$I_{D1} = I_{D2} = I_{D}$$
 (5)

It can be derived from equations (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) that

$$(V_{GS} - V_{TH})V_{ES} - \frac{1}{2}V_{ES}^{2} = \frac{L_{2}}{L_{1}}[(V_{GS} - V_{TH} - V_{ES})(V_{DS} - V_{ES}) - \frac{1}{2}(V_{DS} - V_{ES})^{2}]$$

$$= \frac{L_{1}}{L_{1} + L_{2}}[(V_{GS} - V_{TH})V_{DS} - \frac{1}{2}V_{DS}^{2}]$$

So we can get 
$$I_D = \mu_n C_{OX} \frac{W}{L_1 + L_2} [(V_{GS} - V_{TH})V_{DS} - \frac{1}{2}V_{DS}^2]$$

(3) While M1 operates in saturation ( $V_{DE} > V_{GE} - V_{THN}$ ). It means  $V_{DE} + V_{ES} > V_{GE} + V_{ES} - V_{THN}$ , i.e.  $V_{DS} > V_{GS} - V_{THN}$ .

 $V_E = V_G - V_{GE} < V_G - V_{THN}$ , it means  $V_{ES} < V_{GS} - V_{THN}$ . M2 operates in triode.

So

$$I_{D1} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{OX} \frac{W}{L_1} (V_{GE} - V_{TH})^2$$
 (1)

$$I_{D2} = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{OX} \frac{W}{L_2} [2(V_{GS} - V_{TH})V_{ES} - V_{ES}^2]$$
 (2)

$$V_{DS} = V_{DE} + V_{ES} \quad (3)$$

$$V_{GE} = V_{GS} - V_{ES} \quad (4)$$

$$I_{D1} = I_{D2} = I_{D}$$
 (5)

It can be derived from equations (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5) that

$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{OX} \frac{W}{L_1 + L_2} (V_{GS} - V_{TH})^2$$

That just like a MOSFET operating in saturation, which has a length of  $L_1 + L_2$  and a width of W. It can be deducted similarly that n MOSFETs in series acts as a MOSFET with an aspect ratio of  $W/(L_1 + L_2 + \ldots L_n)$ .

Table.1.1

Parameter Symbol		Typical Parameter Value		
	Parameter Description	n-Channel	p-Channel	Units
$V_{ extsf{T0}}$	Threshold voltage $(V_{BS}=0)$	0.7	-0.7	V
<i>K</i> '	Transconductance parameter ( in saturation)	110.0	50.0	$\mu$ A/V <sup>2</sup>
γ	Bulk threshold parameter	0.4	0.57	$V^{1/2}$
λ	Channel length modulation parameter	0.04 (L=1μm) 0.01 (L=2μm)	0.05 (L=1μm) 0.01 (L=2μm)	$V^{-1}$
$2 \Phi_{_{ m F}} $	Surface potential at strong inversion	0.7	0.8	V

$$*K' = \frac{1}{2}\mu C_{ox}$$