

Chapter 6

MOSFET V_t

6.1 $15 \Omega\text{-cm} = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $\therefore E_f = E_v + 0.26\text{eV}$ oxide trap density $= 8 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-2}$, $Z = 50 \mu\text{m}$, $L = 2 \mu\text{m}$, $T_{\text{ox}} = 5\text{nm}$

(a) $V'_{\text{fb}} = V_{\text{fb}} + \Delta V$. $V_{\text{fb}} = 3.1 - (3.1 + 0.86) = -0.86\text{eV}$, $\Delta V = Q_f/C_{\text{ox}} = 18.5 \text{ mV}$.
Therefore $V'_{\text{fb}} \cong V_{\text{fb}} = -0.86 \text{ eV}$

When oxide thickness is thin, the trap charge effect can be ignored.

(b) $V_t = V'_{\text{fb}} + V_{\text{ox}} + V_s \cong V_{\text{fb}} + 2\phi_B + (2\varepsilon_s q N_a 2\phi_B)^{1/2}/C_{\text{ox}}$
 $= -0.86 + 0.6 + 0.02\text{V} = -0.24\text{V}$

(c) To make $V_t = 0.5\text{V}$, one should implant boron into silicon substrate such that $\Delta V_t = Q_{\text{imp}}/C_{\text{ox}}$. Therefore ion implant dose should be $(0.5\text{V} + 0.24\text{V}) \times C_{\text{ox}} \div q = 3.2 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-2}$.

6.2 (a) Using Equation 4.16.4 and referring to Table 1-4, we find

$$\phi_{bi} = \phi_{Bn} - kT \ln \left(\frac{N_c(\text{GaAs})}{N_d} \right) = 1\text{V} - kT \ln \left(\frac{4.7 \times 10^{17}}{1 \times 10^{17}} \right) = 0.96\text{V}.$$

Then,

$$W_{\text{dep}} = \sqrt{\frac{2\varepsilon_s \phi_{bi}}{q} \frac{1}{N_d}} = \sqrt{\frac{2(13\varepsilon_0)\phi_{bi}}{q} \frac{1}{N_d}} = 0.12 \mu\text{m}.$$

(b) $W_{\text{dep}} = 0.2 \mu\text{m} = \sqrt{\frac{2(13\varepsilon_0)(\phi_{bi} + V)}{q} \frac{1}{N_d}} \Rightarrow V = \frac{qN_d W_{\text{dep}}^2}{2(13\varepsilon_0)} - \phi_{bi} = 1.82\text{V}.$

A negative V_g is need to increase W_{dep} and turn-off the channel. (A metal/N-type semiconductor Schottky diode exhibits the same forward/reverse bias properties as an P^+/N diode.)

(c) Yes. If the positive V_g is kept small (say 0.5V), the forward current of the Schottky gate maybe comparable to the subthreshold drain leakage current. A positive V_g would reduce W_{dep} and therefore raise I_{ds} .

(d) The channel thickness or doping concentration must be reduced so that $W_{\text{dep}} \geq$ channel thickness at $V_g = 0$.

$$6.3 \quad C_{ox} = 6.9 \times 10^{-7} \frac{F}{cm^2}, \phi_B = \frac{kT}{q} \ln \frac{N_{sub}}{n_i} = 0.47 eV$$

$$(a) \quad V_t = V_{fb} + 2\phi_B + \frac{1}{C_{ox}} \sqrt{2q\epsilon_s N_{sub} 2\phi_B}$$

$$V_t = -\frac{E_g}{2} - \phi_B + 2\phi_B + \frac{1}{C_{ox}} \sqrt{2q\epsilon_s N_{sub} 2\phi_B} = -0.09 + 0.61 = 0.52V$$

$$(b) \quad V_t = V_{fb} - 2\phi_B - \frac{1}{C_{ox}} \sqrt{2q\epsilon_s N_{sub} 2\phi_B}$$

$$V_t = -\frac{E_g}{2} + \phi_B - 2\phi_B - \frac{1}{C_{ox}} \sqrt{2q\epsilon_s N_{sub} 2\phi_B} = -0.56 - 0.47 - 0.61 = -1.64V$$

$$(c) \quad V_t = V_{fb} - 2\phi_B - \frac{1}{C_{ox}} \sqrt{2q\epsilon_s N_{sub} 2\phi_B}$$

$$V_t = \frac{E_g}{2} + \phi_B - 2\phi_B - \frac{1}{C_{ox}} \sqrt{2q\epsilon_s N_{sub} 2\phi_B} = -0.52V$$

$$(d) \quad V_b = 0V$$

$$V_s = 0V$$

$$V_d = 2.5V$$

$$V_g = 2.5V$$

$$(e) \quad V_b = 2.5V$$

$$V_s = 2.5V$$

$$V_d = 0V$$

$$V_g = 0V$$

$$(f) \quad I_{dsat} = \frac{\mu_n W C_{ox}}{2L} (V_{gs} - V_t)^2$$

$$\frac{I_{dsatc}}{I_{dsatb}} = \frac{(-2.5 - (-0.52))^2}{(-2.5 - (-1.64))^2} \approx 5.3$$

The transistor with the lower absolute value of threshold voltage has a higher saturation current. That is why P⁺ poly-gate PMOSFETs are typically used in IC.

(g) The ratio of the current is the ratio of the mobilities.

To find μ_n ,

$$(V_{gs} + V_t + 0.2) / 6T_{oxe} = (2.5 + 0.52 + 0.2)V / (6 \times 5 \times 10^{-7}) cm = 1.07 MV / cm$$

$$\text{and } \mu_n = 250 cm^2 V^{-1} s^{-1}.$$

To find μ_p ,
 $-(V_{gs} + 1.5V_t - 0.25)/6T_{oxe} = -(-2.5 + 1.5 \times (-0.52) - 0.25)V / (6 \times 5 \times 10^{-7}) \text{ cm} = 1.01 \text{ MV/cm}$
 and $\mu_p = 63 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$.

$$\frac{I_{dsat(c)}}{I_{dsat(a)}} = \frac{\mu_p}{\mu_n} \approx \frac{1}{4}$$

Basic MOSFET IV Characteristics

6.4 (a) Due to the highly doped regions nearby, transistor C-V always approaches C_{ox} in inversion. Hence, it is impossible to determine the frequency. Either high or low frequency could have been used.

(b) Since $V_t > V_{fb}$, this is a NMOS.

(c) From the I_d - V_g curve, V_t is 0.55V. More precisely,

$$I_d = \mu C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} V_{ds} \left(V_g - V_t - \frac{V_{ds}}{2} \right) \Rightarrow 0.55 - V_t - \frac{V_{ds}}{2} = 0$$

$$V_t = 0.5 \text{ V}$$

(d) Slope of curve I_d - V_g line $= \mu C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} V_{ds} = 5 \times 10^{-3} \Omega^{-1}$.

$$V_{ds} = 0.1 \text{ V}$$

From the CV curve,

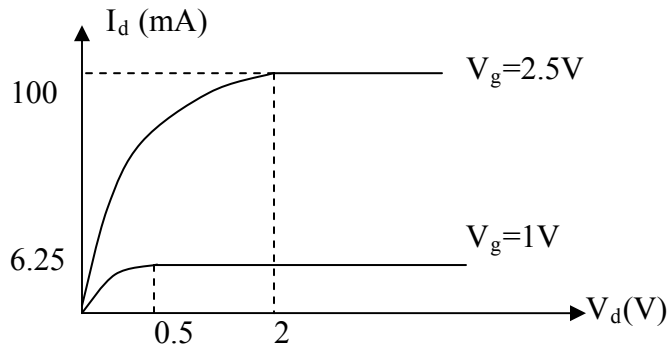
$$C_{ox} WL = 1 \text{ pF} \Rightarrow C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} = 10^{-4} \frac{\text{F}}{\text{cm}^2}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \mu = \frac{5 \times 10^{-3}}{0.1 \times 10^{-4}} = 500 \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{Vs}}$$

(e) $V_{dsat} = V_g - V_t$

$$I_{dsat} = \frac{\mu C_{ox} W}{2L} (V_{dsat})^2 = 0.025 \frac{\text{A}}{\text{V}^2} V_{dsat}^2$$

V_g	1V	2.5V
V_{dsat}	0.5V	2V
I_{dsat}	6.25mA	100mA



6.5 (a) For $V_{gs}=4V$, $V_{dsat} \sim 3V=(V_{gs}-V_t)$ and $V_t=1V$

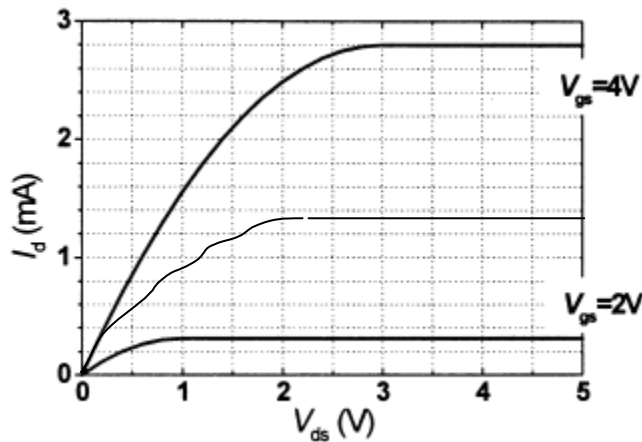
(b) $I_{dsat} = \mu_n C_{ox} W / 2L \cdot (V_g - V_t)^2$

$$C_{ox} = 3.45 \times 10^{-7} F / cm^2$$

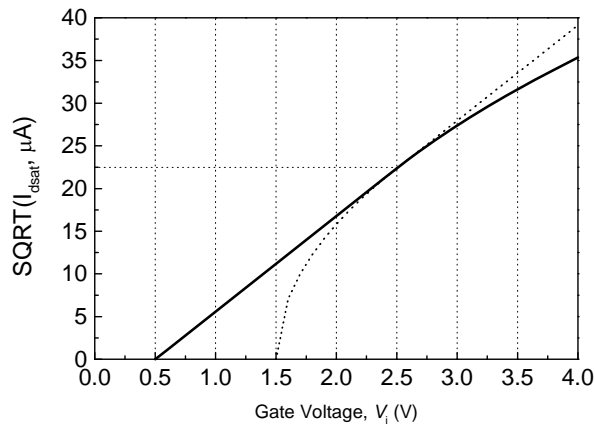
$$\mu_n = \frac{2I_{dsat}}{C_{ox} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right) (V_g - V_t)^2} = 361 cm^2 / Vs$$

(c) At $V_{gs}=3V$, $V_{dsat}=(3-1)V=2V$

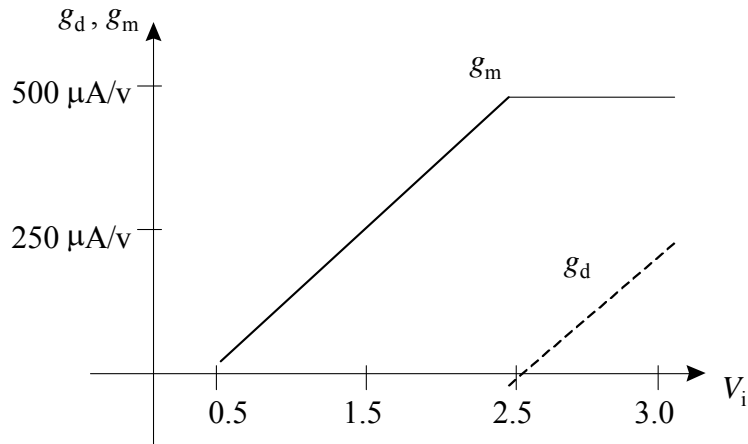
$$I_{dsat} = 361 \times 3.45 \times 10^{-7} \cdot (10/2) \cdot (3-1)^2 / 2 = 1.25 \times 10^{-3} A$$



6.6 (a) At saturation, $V_d = V_{dsat} = V_g - V_t$. $V_{dd}=2V$. Therefore the transistor is in saturation mode when $V_g < 2.5V$. $I_{dsat} = 125(V_g - 0.5)^2 \mu A$. When $V_g > 2.5V$, the transistor is in linear region with $I_d = 500(V_g - 1.5) \mu A$.



(b) & (c) Transconductance: solid line, Output Conductance: dotted line



6.7 (a) $V_{gs} - V_t = 2V$

$$V_{gs} = 2.5V$$

(b) $Q_n = -C_{ox}(V_{gs} - V_t - V_c) = 0$ (Pinch-Off)

(c) $I_{ds} @ V_{ds} = 4V$

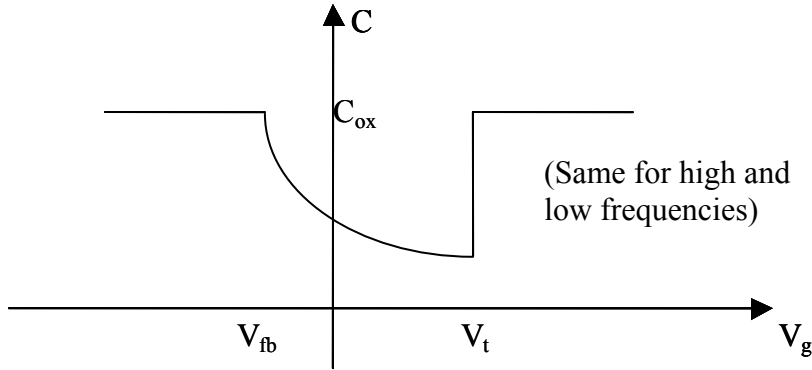
$$V_{dsat} = V_{gs} - V_t = 3V$$

(in saturation)

$$I_{ds} \propto (V_{gs} - V_t)^2$$

$$I_{ds} = 10^{-3} \times \frac{3^2}{2^2} = 2.25 \times 10^{-3} A$$

(d)



6.8 (a) $\phi_B = \frac{kT}{q} \ln \frac{N_a}{n_i} = 0.297V$

$$C_{ox} = \frac{\epsilon_{ox}}{t_{ox}} = 7.08 \times 10^{-8} \text{ F/cm}^2$$

$$V_{fb} = \chi_{Si} - \left(\chi_{Si} + \frac{E_g}{2} + \phi_B \right) = -0.857V$$

$$V_g = V_{fb} + V_s + V_{ox} \Rightarrow V_t = V_{fb} + 2\phi_B + \frac{\sqrt{2\epsilon_s q N_a 2\phi_B}}{C_{ox}} = -0.064V$$

(b) $I_{dsat} = \frac{\mu_n C_{ox} W}{2L} (V_g - V_t)^2 = 1.21mA$

(c) Since V_d is less than $(V_g - V_t)$, it is in the linear region.

$$I_d = \frac{\mu C_{ox} W}{L} \left[(V_g - V_t) V_d - \frac{V_d^2}{2} \right]$$

$$g_d = \frac{\partial I_d}{\partial V_D} = \frac{\mu C_{ox} W}{L} [(V_g - V_t) - V_d] = 1.17mS$$

(d) Since V_d is less than $(V_g - V_t)$, it is in the linear region.

$$I_d = \frac{\mu C_{ox} W}{L} \left[(V_g - V_t) V_d - \frac{V_d^2}{2} \right]$$

$$g_d = \frac{\partial I_d}{\partial V_g} = \frac{\mu C_{ox} W}{L} V_d = 1.13mS$$

Potential and Carrier Velocity in MOSFET Channel

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{6.9} \quad I_d &= -Q_n \mu_n \frac{dV_c}{dx} W = (V_g - V_t - V_c) C_{ox} \mu_n \frac{dV_c}{dx} W \\
 \therefore \int_0^x \frac{I_d}{\mu_n C_{ox} W} dx &= \int_0^{V_c} (V_g - V_t - V_c) dV_c \\
 \rightarrow I_d \cdot x / (\mu_n C_{ox} W) &= (V_g - V_t) V_c - 1/2 V_c^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Solving this quadratic equation of V_c , we get

$$\therefore V_c(x) = (V_g - V_t) \pm \sqrt{(V_g - V_t)^2 - \frac{2I_d x}{\mu_n C_{ox} W}}$$

Choosing “-” so that $V_c(0)=0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore V_c(x) &= (V_g - V_t) \left[1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{2I_d x}{\mu_n C_{ox} W (V_g - V_t)^2}} \right] \\
 &= (V_g - V_t) \left[1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{2x \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{2L} (V_g - V_t)^2}{\mu_n C_{ox} W (V_g - V_t)^2}} \right] \\
 &= (V_g - V_t) \left[1 - \sqrt{1 - x/L} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{6.10} \quad (a) \quad I_{ds} &= WC_{oxe} (V_{gs} - mV_{cs} - V_t) \mu_{es} dV_{cs} / dx \\
 \int_0^x I_{ds} dx &= WC_{oxe} \mu_s \int_0^{V_{cs}} (V_{gs} - mV_{cs} - V_t) dV_{cs} \\
 I_{ds} x &= WC_{oxe} \mu_s (V_{gs} - V_t - \frac{mV_{cs}}{2}) V_{cs}
 \end{aligned}$$

Equating the expression above with

$$I_{ds} = \frac{W}{L} C_{oxe} \mu_s (V_{gs} - V_t - \frac{m}{2} V_{ds}) V_{ds},$$

we get

$$\frac{x}{L} \left(V_{gs} - V_t - \frac{mV_{ds}}{2} \right) V_{ds} = (V_{gs} - V_t - \frac{mV_{cs}}{2}) V_{cs}$$

$$mV_{cs}^2 - 2(V_g - V_t)V_{cs} + \frac{x}{L}(2(V_g - V_t) - mV_{ds})V_{ds} = 0$$

Solving the quadratic equation, we get

$$V_{cs} = \frac{V_{gs} - V_t}{m} \pm \frac{\sqrt{(V_g - V_t)^2 - m \frac{x}{L} (2(V_g - V_t) - mV_{ds})V_{ds}}}{m}$$

$$V_{cs} = \frac{V_{gs} - V_t}{m} \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{x}{L}} \right)$$

$$(b) \quad Q_{inv}(x) = C_{oxe} (V_{gs} - mV_{cs} - V_t) = C_{oxe} \left[V_{gs} - V_t - (V_{gs} - V_t) \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{x}{L}} \right) \right]$$

$$= C_{oxe} (V_{gs} - V_t) \left[1 - \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{x}{L}} \right) \right] = C_{oxe} (V_{gs} - V_t) \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{x}{L}} \right)$$

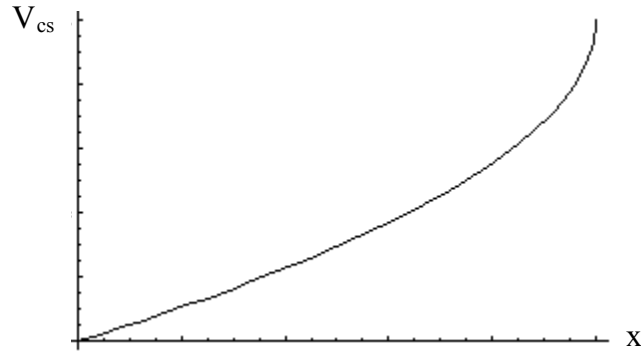
$$(c) \quad \frac{dV_{cs}}{dx} = \mathcal{E}(x) = \frac{(V_g - V_t)}{m} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x/L}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{L} \right) = \frac{(V_g - V_t)}{2mL} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x/L}} \right)$$

$$v(x) = \mu_n \frac{dV_{cs}}{dx} = \mu_n \mathcal{E}(x) = \frac{\mu_n (V_g - V_t)}{2mL} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x/L}} \right)$$

$$(d) \quad WQ_{inv} \mu_n \mathcal{E} = W \cdot C_{oxe} (V_{gs} - V_t) \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{x}{L}} \right) \cdot \frac{\mu_n (V_g - V_t)}{2mL} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x/L}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{WC_{oxe} \mu_n}{2mL} (V_{gs} - V_t)^2 = I_{dsat}$$

(e)



IV Characteristics of Novel MOSFET

6.11 (a) $I_d = -Q_n \mu_n \frac{dV_c}{dx} W = (V_g - V_t - V_c) C_{ox}(x) \mu_n \frac{dV_c}{dx} W$

$$= (V_g - V_t - V_c) \frac{\epsilon_{ox}}{Ax^2 + B} \mu_n \frac{dV_c}{dx} W$$

$$\therefore \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} I_d \cdot (Ax^2 + B) dx = \int_0^{V_{ds}} (V_g - V_t - V_c) \epsilon_{ox} \mu_n W dV_c$$

$$\rightarrow I_d \cdot \left[\frac{A}{3} x^3 + Bx \right]_{-L/2}^{L/2} = \epsilon_{ox} \mu_n W [(V_g - V_t) V_c - 1/2 V_c^2]_0^{V_{ds}}$$

$$\therefore I_d = \frac{W}{L} \cdot \frac{\epsilon_{ox} \mu_n}{\frac{AL^2}{12} + B} \cdot [(V_g - V_t) V_{ds} - 1/2 V_{ds}^2]$$

(b) $V_{dsat} = V_{ds} @ \frac{\partial I_d}{\partial V_{ds}} \big|_{V_{gs}} = 0 \quad \therefore V_{dsat} = V_g - V_t$

(c) It suggests a large $W_{dmax} \cdot V_{ox} = Q_n / C_{ox}$

6.12 (a) $I_d = -Q_n \mu_n \frac{dV_c}{dx} W(x) = (V_g - V_t - V_c) C_{ox} \mu_n \frac{dV_c}{dx} W(x)$

$$\therefore \int_0^L I_d / W(x) dx = \int_0^{V_{ds}} (V_g - V_t - V_c) \mu_n C_{ox} dV_c$$

$$\rightarrow I_d \cdot \ln[(W_0 + L) / W_0] = \mu_n C_{ox} [(V_g - V_t) V_{ds} - 1/2 V_{ds}^2]$$

$$\therefore I_d = \frac{\mu_n C_{ox}}{\ln(1 + L/W_0)} [(V_g - V_t) V_{ds} - 1/2 V_{ds}^2]$$

$$(b) V_{dsat} = V_{ds} @ \frac{\partial I_d}{\partial V_{ds}} \bigg|_{V_{gs}} = 0 \quad \therefore V_{dsat} = V_g - V_t$$

$$\therefore I_{dast} = \frac{\mu_n C_{ox}}{\ln(1 + L/W_0)} \cdot \frac{(V_g - V_t)^2}{2}$$

CMOS

6.13 (a) $V_{fb,NMOS} = -(E_g/2) - (kT/q * \ln(5e15/1e10)) = -0.55 - 0.4 = -0.95V$
 $V_{fb,PMOS} = -0.55 + 0.4 = -0.15V$
 Not symmetrical

(b) $V_{fb,NMOS} = 0.55 - 0.4 = 0.15V$
 $V_{fb,PMOS} = 0.55 + 0.4 = 0.95V$
 Not symmetrical

(c) Since V_{ox} and V_s will be symmetrical, I would use a mid-gap gate material such as tungsten.
 So the workfunction will be $4.05 \text{ eV} + E_{g,Si}/2 = 4.6\text{eV}$. However, processing issues makes tungsten (or any metal gates for that matter) a challenge to implement.

(d) In the same process, the NMOS and PMOS will have same oxide thickness. If the substrate doping levels for n and p flavors are the same, then I would use P^+ gates for PMOS devices and N^+ gates for NMOS devices. In this way, the flatband voltages will be symmetrical and the resulting $|V_t|$ small.

6.14 (a) PMOS, N-type substrate:

$$\phi_n = kT \ln \frac{N_d}{n_i} = 0.38V$$

$$V_{fb} = \phi_m - \chi_{si} - \frac{E_g}{2} + \phi_n = 4.1 - 4.05 - 0.55 + 0.38 = -0.12V.$$

NMOS, N-type substrate:

$$\phi_p = kT \ln \frac{N_a}{n_i} = 0.42V$$

$$V_{fb} = \phi_m - \chi_{si} - \frac{E_g}{2} - \phi_p = 4.1 - 4.05 - 0.55 - 0.42 = -0.92V$$

(b) $C_{ox} = \frac{\epsilon_{ox}}{t_{ox}} = 6.9 \times 10^{-7} \frac{F}{cm^2}$

PMOS:

$$V_t = V_{fb} - 2\phi_n - \frac{1}{C_{ox}} \sqrt{2\epsilon_s q N_d 2\phi_n} = -0.12 - 0.76 - 0.10 = -0.98V$$

NMOS:

$$V_{fb} + 2\phi_p + \frac{1}{C_{ox}} \sqrt{2\epsilon_s q N_d 2\phi_p} = -0.92 + 0.84 + 0.24 = 0.16V$$

(c) The threshold voltage must be changed by

$$\Delta V_t = -\frac{Q_{impl}}{C_{ox}} = 0.82V.$$

Hence,

$$Q_{impl} = -5.7 \times 10^{-7} \frac{C}{cm^2}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{6.15} \quad I_{ds} &= WC_{oxe} (V_{gs} - mV_{cs} - V_t) \frac{\mu_s dV_{cs}/dx}{1 + \frac{dV_{cs}}{dx} / \epsilon_{sat}} \\ \int_0^L I_{ds} dx &= \int_0^{V_{ds}} [WC_{oxe} \mu_s (V_{gs} - mV_{cs} - V_t) - I_{ds} / \epsilon_{sat}] dV_{cs} \\ I_{ds} L + I_{ds} \frac{V_{ds}}{\epsilon_{sat}} &= WC_{oxe} \mu_s (V_{gs} - V_t - \frac{m}{2} V_{ds}) V_{ds} \\ I_{ds} &= WC_{oxe} \mu_s (V_{gs} - V_t - \frac{m}{2} V_{ds}) V_{ds} \left/ \left(L + \frac{V_{ds}}{\epsilon_{sat}} \right) \right. \\ I_{ds} &= \frac{W}{L} C_{oxe} \mu_s (V_{gs} - V_t - \frac{m}{2} V_{ds}) V_{ds} \left/ \left(1 + \frac{V_{ds}}{L \epsilon_{sat}} \right) \right. = \frac{I_{ds} (Long channel)}{1 + V_{ds} / \epsilon_{sat} L}. \end{aligned}$$

6.16

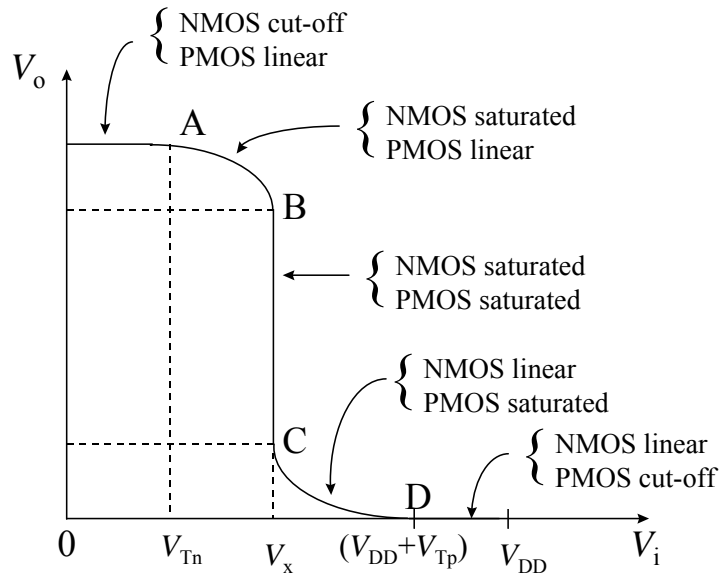
	NFET Operation Mode	PFET Operation Mode
A	Cut-off	Linear
B	Saturation	Linear
C	Linear	Saturation
D	Linear	Cut-off

A: $V_{gs} < V_{th}$ for NFET, therefore it is cut off. For PFET $|V_{gs}| > |V_{th}|$ and $|V_{ds}| < |V_{dsat}|$ ($|V_{ds}| \sim 0V$, $|V_{dsat}| \sim 1.05V$), so it operates in linear mode.

B: For NFET $V_{gs} > V_{th}$ and $V_{ds} > V_{dsat}$ ($V_{ds} \sim 1.75V$, $V_{dsat} \sim 0.3V$), so it operates in saturation mode. For PFET $|V_{gs}| > |V_{th}|$ and $|V_{ds}| < |V_{dsat}|$ ($|V_{ds}| \sim 0.25V$, $|V_{dsat}| \sim 0.6V$), so it operates in linear mode.

The answers to C and D can be worked out through the same procedure.

6.17 (a)



- (b) At the point B where $V_i = V_x$, the NMOS is just becoming saturated from the linear region. Since NMOS is in the linear region

$$I_{dn} = K_N \left[(V_x - V_{tn})(V_x - V_{tn}) - \frac{(V_x - V_{tn})^2}{2} \right]$$

Since PMOS is saturated

$$I_{dp} = \frac{K_P}{2} (V_{dd} - V_x + V_{tp})^2$$

But $I_{DN} = I_{DP}$

$$\therefore 40 \left[(V_x - 1)^2 - \frac{(V_x - 1)^2}{2} \right] = \frac{35}{2} (5 - V_x - 1)^2$$

$$40(V_x - 1)^2 = 40(4 - V_x)^2 \Rightarrow V_x = 2.45 \text{ V}$$

Thus,

Point	$V_i(\text{V})$	$V_o(\text{V})$
A	1	5
B	2.45	3.45
C	2.45	1.45
D	4	0

Body Effect

6.18 For a P-channel MOSFET, we have

$$V_t = V_{fb} + 2\phi_B + \frac{\sqrt{2\varepsilon_s q N_d (2\phi_B + V_{bs})}}{C_{ox}}$$

$$\Delta V_t = \frac{\sqrt{2\varepsilon_s q N_d}}{C_{ox}} (\sqrt{2\phi_B + V_{bs}} - \sqrt{2\phi_B})$$

(a) For 100 nm oxide, $C_{ox} = 3.45 \times 10^{-8} \text{ F/cm}^2$.

If $V_{bs} = 5\text{V}$, $\Delta V_t = -0.8\text{V}$.

By iteration, using initial guess of $\phi_B = 0.3\text{V}$, we obtain

$N_d = 8.9 \times 10^{14} / \text{cm}^3$ and $\phi_B = 0.284\text{V}$.

(b) If V_{sb} is -2.5 V , $\Delta V_t = -0.497\text{V}$.

$V_t = -1.5 - 0.497 = 2.0\text{ V}$

Velocity-Saturation Effect

6.19 In all 3 cases, use the general equation $I = WQ_{inv}V_{drift}$.

Case A:

The NMOS is in the triode region.

On source side, $Q_{inv} = C_{ox}(V_g - V_t) = 138\text{e-}9(5 - .7) = 593 \text{ nC/cm}^2$.

So $v_{drift} = I/(WQ_{inv}) = 1.5\text{e-}3/(15\text{e-}4 \times 593\text{e-}9) = 1.7 \times 10^6 \text{ cm/sec}$.

On drain side, $Q_{inv} = C_{ox}(V_g - V_t - V_d) = 138\text{e-}9(5 - .7 - .5) = 524 \text{ nC/cm}^2$.

Thus, $v_{dr} = 1.5\text{e-}3/(15\text{e-}4 \times 524\text{e-}9) = 1.9 \times 10^6 \text{ cm/sec}$.

Case B:

The NMOS enters saturation region.

On source side, $v_{dr} = 3.75\text{e-}3/(15\text{e-}4 \times 593\text{e-}9) = 4.2 \times 10^6 \text{ cm/sec}$.

On drain side, the electron velocity is saturated.

Thus, $v_{dr} = v_{sat} = 8 \times 10^6 \text{ cm/sec}$.

Case C:

Similar to case B.

On source side, $v_{dr} = 4\text{e-}3/(15\text{e-}4 \times 593\text{e-}9) = 4.5 \times 10^6 \text{ cm/sec}$.

On drain side, $v_{dr} = v_{sat} = 8 \times 10^6 \text{ cm/sec}$.

6.20

	T_{ox}	W	L	V_t	V_g
V_{dsat}	↑	No change	↓	↑	↓
I_{dsat}	↑	↓	↑	↑	↓

Reducing T_{ox} means smaller $V_t \Rightarrow$ larger V_{dsat} $(1/(V_g - V_t) + 1/(E_{sat}L))^{-1}$ & larger I_{dsat} ($Q_{inv} \propto C_{ox}$).

Reducing W has no effect on V_{dsat} and decreases I_{dsat} since $I_{dsat} = WQ_{inv}V_{sat}$.

Reducing L reduces V_{dsat} (as discussed in lecture) and increases I_{dsat} . If you want to consider very short-channel length devices ($L \Rightarrow 0$), then essentially I_{dsat} is independent of L .

Reducing $V_t \Rightarrow$ larger V_{dsat} & larger I_{dsat} .

Reducing $V_g \Rightarrow$ smaller V_{dsat} & smaller I_{dsat} .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{6.21} \quad I_d &= \mu_s C_{ox} W \left(V_{gs} - V_t - m \frac{V_{ds}}{2} \right) V_{ds} / \left(L + \frac{V_{ds}}{\mathcal{E}_{sat}} \right) \\
 &= WC_{ox} (V_{gs} - V_t - mV_{ds}) V_{sat} \\
 &= WC_{ox} (V_{gs} - V_t - mV_{ds}) \mu_s \frac{\mathcal{E}_{sat}}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(V_{gs} - V_t - m \frac{V_{ds}}{2} \right) V_{ds} &= (V_{gs} - V_t - mV_{ds}) \mathcal{E}_{sat} / 2 \left(L + \frac{V_{ds}}{\mathcal{E}_{sat}} \right) \\
 &= (V_{gs} - V_t - mV_{ds}) \frac{\mathcal{E}_{sat} L}{2} + (V_{gs} - V_t - mV_{ds}) \frac{V_{ds}}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{gs} V_{ds} - V_t V_{ds} &= (V_{gs} - V_t - mV_{ds}) \mathcal{E}_{sat} L \\
 V_{ds} (V_{gs} - V_t - m\mathcal{E}_{sat} L) &= (V_{gs} - V_t) \mathcal{E}_{sat} L
 \end{aligned}$$

$$V_{ds} = \frac{(V_g - V_t) \mathcal{E}_{sat} L}{(V_{gs} - V_t - m\mathcal{E}_{sat} L)} = \left[\frac{m}{(V_{gs} - V_t)} + \frac{1}{\mathcal{E}_{sat} L} \right]^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{6.22} \quad I_{ds} &= \frac{\frac{W}{L} C_{oxe} \mu_{ns} \left(V_{gs} - V_t - \frac{m}{2} V_{ds} \right) V_{ds}}{1 + \frac{V_{ds}}{\mathcal{E}_{sat} L}} = \frac{\frac{W}{L} C_{oxe} \mu_{ns} \left((V_{gs} - V_t) \left(\frac{1}{V_{ds}} \right) - \frac{m}{2} \right)}{\frac{1}{V_{ds}^2} + \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{E}_{sat} L} \right) \frac{1}{V_{ds}}} \\
 \frac{1}{V_{dsat}} &= \frac{m}{V_{gs} - V_t} + \frac{1}{\mathcal{E}_{sat} L}
 \end{aligned}$$

6.23 (a) We know that

$$V_{dsat} = |\mathcal{E}_c L| \left[\left(1 + 2 \cdot \frac{(V_g - V_t)}{|E_c L|} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 \right]$$

$$|\mathcal{E}_c L| = 0.1 \text{ V} \Rightarrow V_{dsat} = 0.1 \cdot \left[\left(1 + 2 \cdot \frac{4}{0.1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 \right] = 0.54 \text{ V}$$

$$(b) |\mathcal{E}_c L| = 10 \text{ V} \Rightarrow V_{dsat} = 10 \cdot \left[\left(1 + 2 \cdot \frac{4}{10} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 \right] = 1.83 \text{ V}$$

(c) We know that

$$I_{dsat} = \frac{\mu_{n0} C_{ox} Z}{2L} V_{dsat}^2 \quad \text{and} \quad C_{ox} Z = \frac{10 \text{ fF}}{L}.$$

$$7 \text{ mA} = \frac{\mu_{n0} 10 \text{ fF}}{2L^2} 0.54^2$$

$$\mu_{n0} = 480 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

6.24 $V_{dsat} = \mathcal{E}_{sat} L (V_g - V_t) / (V_g - V_t + \mathcal{E}_{sat} L)$

What is \mathcal{E}_{sat} ? $2v_{sat}/\mu_s = \mathcal{E}_{sat}$. μ_s is given by the universal mobility curve.

At $T_{ox}=60\text{A}$, $(V_g + V_t + 0.2)/6T_{ox} = \mathcal{E}_{eff} = .9 \text{ MV/cm}$.

From the curve, $\mu_s \sim 250 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$.

This yields $\mathcal{E}_{sat} \sim 2(8 \times 10^6)/250 \text{ V/cm} = 6.4 \times 10^4 \text{ V/cm}$. Plug this back into the expression for V_{dsat} to get $L \sim 0.19 \mu\text{m}$.

$$I_{dsat}/W = Q_{inv} v_{sat} = C_{ox} (V_g - V_t - V_{dsat}) v_{sat}$$

$$= (3.9 \epsilon_0 / 60 \text{ e-}8) \times (2.5 - 5 - .75) \times 8 \times 10^6 = 575 \text{ uA/um width}.$$

Note: You will often find in literature that the saturation current is stated in units of uA/um instead of amperes. Also, notice that the Q_{inv} at $V_c = V_{dsat}$ is not zero. That is, I_{dsat} is limited by velocity saturation instead of pinch-off.

6.25 (a)

$$1 + \frac{V_{gs} - V_t}{mE_{sat}L} = 2$$

$$V_{gs} - V_t = mE_{sat}L = \frac{2mv_{sat}L}{\mu_{ns}} = \frac{2 \cdot 1.2 \cdot 8 \times 10^6 \text{ cm/s} \cdot 1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}}{300 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V} \cdot \text{s}} = 0.64 \text{ V}$$

(b)

$$V_{gs} - V_t = mE_{sat}L$$

$$L = \frac{V_{gs} - V_t}{mE_{sat}} = \frac{\mu_{ns}(V_{gs} - V_t)}{2mv_{sat}} = \frac{300 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V} \cdot \text{s} \cdot 0.2 \text{ V}}{2 \cdot 1.2 \cdot 8 \times 10^6 \text{ cm/s}} = 3.13 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm} = 31.3 \text{ nm}$$

Effective Channel Length

6.26 (a) For very small V_{ds} ,

$$R_{channel} = \frac{V_{ds}}{I_{ds}} = \frac{L}{\mu_s C_{ox} W (V_g - V_t)}$$

In a short-channel device, S/D resistance can seriously degrade saturation current. Note that series resistance is worse for higher currents because $R_{channel}$ is the lowest under these bias conditions.

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad R_{total} &= R_s + R_d + R_{channel} = R_{sd} + R_{channel} \\ &= R_{sd} + \left[\frac{L_{eff}}{\mu_s C_{ox} W (V_g - V_t)} \right] = R_{sd} + \left(\frac{L_{gate} - \Delta L}{\mu_s C_{ox} W (V_g - V_t)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Think of R_{total} as the y-value, L_{gate} as the x-value, and $(\mu_s C_{ox} W (V_g - V_t))^{-1}$ as the slope. This fits nicely into the standard equation of the line: $y = mx + b$. You can choose devices with several gate lengths and measure the current from these devices at discrete gate voltages. Remember, that you are assuming V_{ds} is small ($<100\text{mV}$) in these measurements.

From the current, you can plot R_{total} versus L_{gate} . One sample data line is taken with the same V_g at different gate lengths. For example, if you measure your current at 5 different V_g 's, you will get 5 separate curves. Ideally, all the lines will intersect at the same point on your plot. This intersection point occurs at $L_{gate} = \Delta L$ and $R_{total} = R_{sd}$.

In practice, it is not always straightforward to make such a plot. For instance, V_t can be difficult to determine accurately. Also, there is a strong dependence of mobility on gate voltage for thin-oxide MOSFETs. It's a good idea to check your data by taking measurements at several different V_g instead of at 2 or 3 gate voltages.

(c) $I_{dsat} = k(V_{gs} - I_{dsat} R_s - V_t)$, where k is a constant of proportionality
 $I_{dsat}(1 + kR_s) = k(V_{gs} - V_t) = I_{dsat0}$, notice here that $k = I_{dsat0} / (V_{gs} - V_t)$
 $I_{dsat} = I_{dsat0} / (1 + kR_s) = I_{dsat0} / (1 + I_{dsat0} R_s / (V_{gs} - V_t))$

(d) $\mathcal{E}_{sat} = (V_{gs} + V_t + 0.2) / 6T_{ox} = 1.1 \text{ MV/cm}$.
 $\mu_s \sim 225 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ is picked out from the universal mobility plot.
 $\mathcal{E}_{sat} = 2v_{sat} / (\mu_s) = 7 \times 10^4 \text{ V/cm}$.
 $I_{dsat0} = (\text{long channel } I_{dsat}) / (1 + (V_{gs} - V_t) / (\mathcal{E}_{sat} L))$
 $= 1.6 \text{ mA} / (1 + (1.1 / .7)) = 0.622 \text{ mA}$.

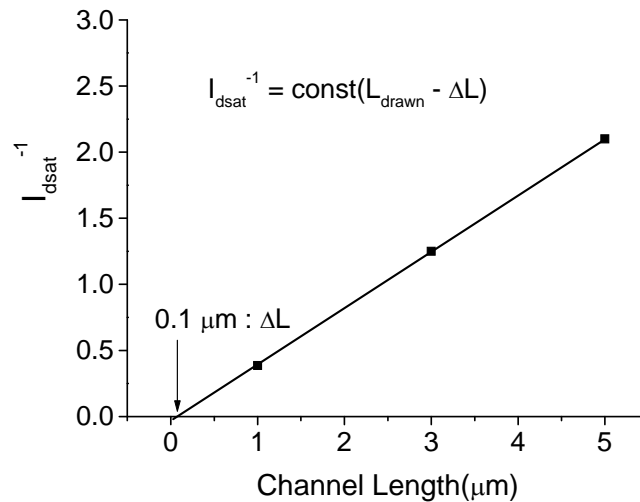
Plug in 0.622mA into the expression derived in part c and get the following:

@ $R_s = 0 \text{ ohms}$, $I_{dsat} = .62 \text{ mA}$
 @ $R_s = 100 \text{ ohms}$, $I_{dsat} = .59 \text{ mA}$
 @ $R_s = 1000 \text{ ohms}$, $I_{dsat} = .40 \text{ mA}$

6.27 (a) Choose three transistors with same channel width, Z, and different channel length, L_1 , L_2 , and L_3 . Measure I_{dsat} at saturation condition for the 3 transistors to

get I_{d1} , I_{d2} , and I_{d3} . Solve the 3 equations to get μ , C_{ox} , and L_{eff} .

(b) $\Delta L = L - L_{eff}$ when gate oxide thickness is 4.5nm. $Z = 10 \mu\text{m}$, $\mu = 300 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$. Using approach of (a), $\Delta L \cong 0.1 \mu\text{m}$.



(c) $2.59 \text{ mA}(L_1 - L_{eff}) = Z\mu C_{ox} (V_{gs} - V_t)$, $V_t = 0.5 \text{ V}$.

