

FET: [Field Effect Transistor].

- Field effect transistors (FETs) are 3 terminal semiconductor devices.
- These 3 terminals are drain (D), the gate (G) and the source (S).
- In these devices, the conduction of current is controlled by the electric field created by the carriers present in the channel.
- FET's are classified into groups.

1. Junction FETs (JFETs)

↓ are 2 types namely

1. N-channel JFET.

P-channel JFET.

2. Metal-oxide Semiconductor FETs (MOSFETs)

↓ 2 types

1. Depletion MOSFET.

2. Enhancement MOSFET.

⇒ Comparison b/w BJT's v/s FET's

BJT

- 1.) It is a bipolar device
- 2.) Both electrons & holes contribute to flow of current
- 3.) It is a current-controlled device.
- 4.) so base current controls the device current i.e., collector current
- 5.) only 3 types exist namely, NPN & PNP transistors
- 6.) It exhibits low i/p resistance (kΩ).

FET

- 1.) It is a unipolar device
- 2.) Either electrons or holes contribute to flow of current.
- 3.) It is a voltage-controlled device.
- 4.) Gate-source voltage controls the device current i.e., Drain current.
- 5.) several type exhibit namely N-channel, P-channel JFETs, E & D MOSFET
- 6.) It exhibits very high i/p impedance (MΩ)

7) It is too noisy due to
carrier crossing 2 junctions

8) Thermal stability is low

9) Large in size

10) Gain is large in
BJT amplifiers.

Hence gain B.W. is
Quite large

7) It is less noisy (in JFET)
to carrier crossing one junction

8) Thermal stability is high

9) Smaller in size

[So preferred in fabrication of
IC's]

10) Gain is less in JFET
amplifiers. Hence gain
B.W. is low.

JUNCTION FIELD TRANSISTOR'S

→ The simplest possible type of FET is the JFET.

→ as I said 2 types of JFET's.

1. n-channel JFET [where the semiconductor channel
is an 'n'-type material & the other
type is p-channel JFET.]

2. p-channel JFET [where the semiconductor channel
is 'p'-type material & the other
type is n-channel JFET.]

→ These are Voltage-controlled devices.

[in the sense that the voltage applied at one
terminal controls the flow of current b/w the
remaining 2 terminals]

INSTRUCTION & STRUCTURE

Fig ① n-channel JFET

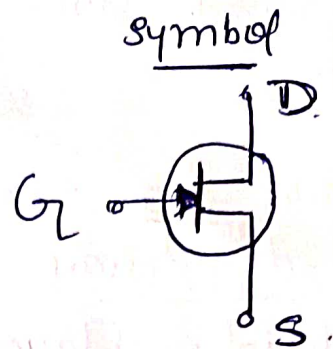
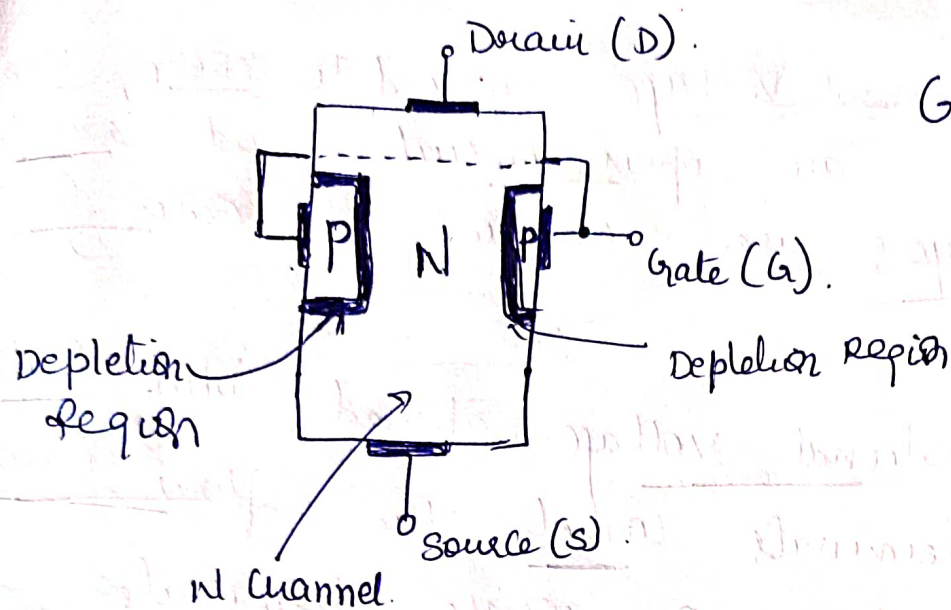
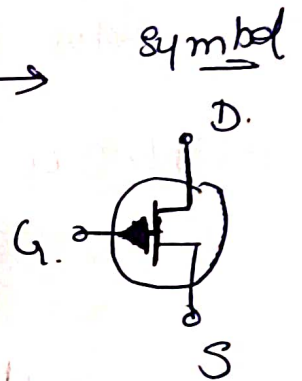


Fig ② p-channel JFET



channel is 'p'
& other two is
n' channel.



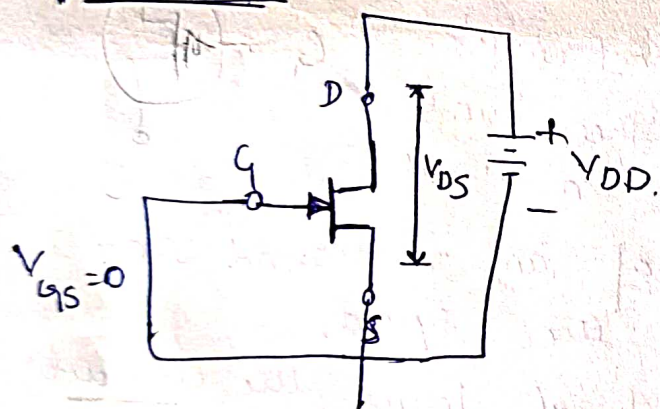
- The structure and construction of an n-channel JFET is as shown in Fig. ① and also the symbol.
- A 'n' type semiconductor material forms the channel b/w the embedded layers of p-type semiconductor material.
- An ohmic contact attached at the top of the n-type channel forms the "Drain terminal (D)" &
- while the ohmic contact attached at the bottom of the channel forms the "Source terminal (S)".
- The p-type materials are shorted together to form the "Gate terminal" (G).

→ In a p-channel JFET, a p-type s/c material forms a p-channel b/w the embedded layers of n-type s/c.

* → with no external voltage applied to JFET, the p-n junctions are open circuit and small depletion layers are observed at each of the junc

* → of an external voltage applied b/w gate & source terminals controls the flow of current b/w the drain & source terminals

PRINCIPLE OPERATION



CHARACTERISTIC CURVES

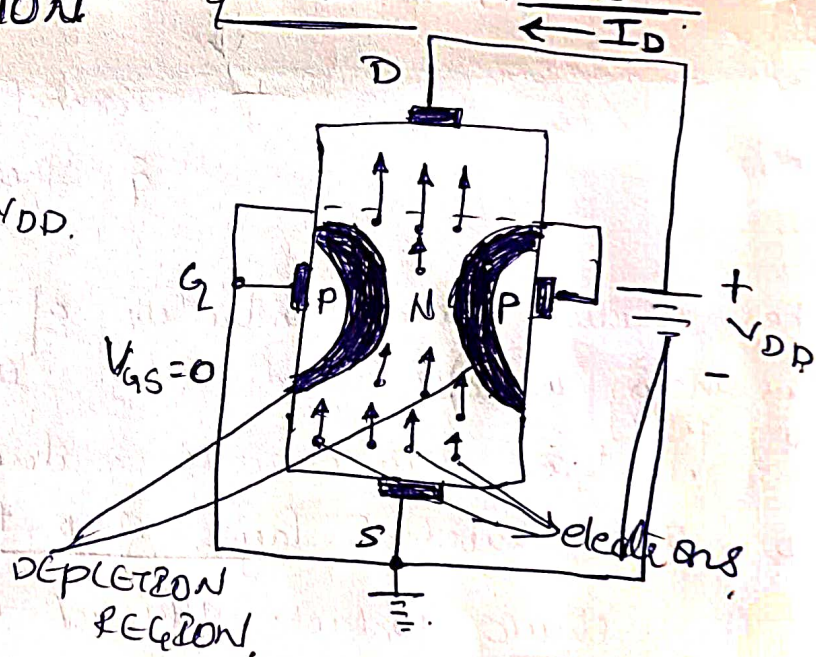


Fig : - Ckt showing n-channel JFET with $V_{GS} = 0$ & V_{DS} = a positive value.

→ let us consider an n-channel J-FET and discuss the principle of operation with

* → Gate shorted to the source terminal (i.e, $V_{GS} = 0$)

& → let a positive voltage V_{DD} is applied to the drain

Fig 1 shows the internal structure of JFET.
 The applied ~~voltage~~ potential V_{DD} directly appears across the drain-source terminals. labelled as V_{DS} as shown in Fig

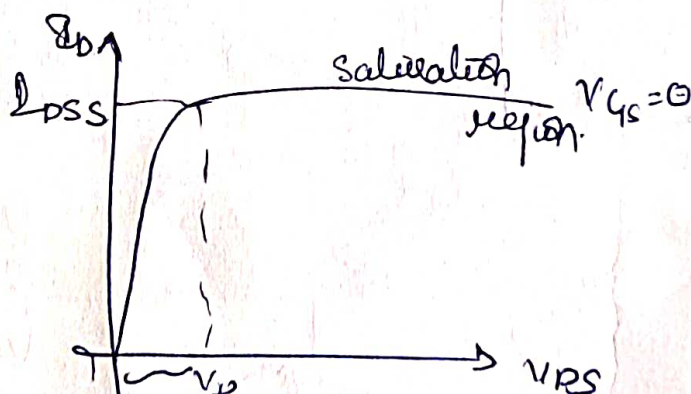
→ Due to +ve voltage on Drain terminal, e^- in the n-channel get energy from the applied voltage and move towards the drain

→ As a result, a current I_D flows from the terminal of V_{DD} , through drain terminal & back to -ve terminal of V_{DD}

→ The magnitude of this current depends on the value of V_{DS} & the channel resistance b/w D & S terminals.

→ Due to flow of Drain current I_D , the voltage V_{DS} will be uniformly dropped across the channel resistance.

→ This voltage reverse biases the J p-n junction



Explain about
 [pinch of voltage]