

# **sEKV Parameter Extraction for the IHP 130nm Process**

**pMOS**

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# 1 Introduction

In this notebook we will extract the sEKV parameters for pMOS transistors of the IHP SG2 130nm CMOS process from IHP. The extraction is done with data generated by PSP for the typical-typical (t-t) case. The parameters are extracted first for a long and wide transistor, then for a medium transistor and finally for a short and wide transistor. In addition to the basic sEKV paramaters  $n$ ,  $I_{spec\square}$ ,  $V_{T0}$  and  $L_{sat}$ , we also extract the flicker noise parameters  $K_F$  and  $AF$ , the junction, overlap and fringing capacitances. All the parameters are saved into an Excel file.

## 2 Transistor geometry parameters

### 2.1 Effective length and width for current

Before we start the extraction we need to account for the geometry dependence. With PSP you can choose between geometry scaling rules or binning rules with parameter *SWGEO*. If *SWGEO* = 1, the scaling rules are chosen. This is the case in the IHP 130nm G2 PDK. The geometrical parameters are defined in Figure 2.1.

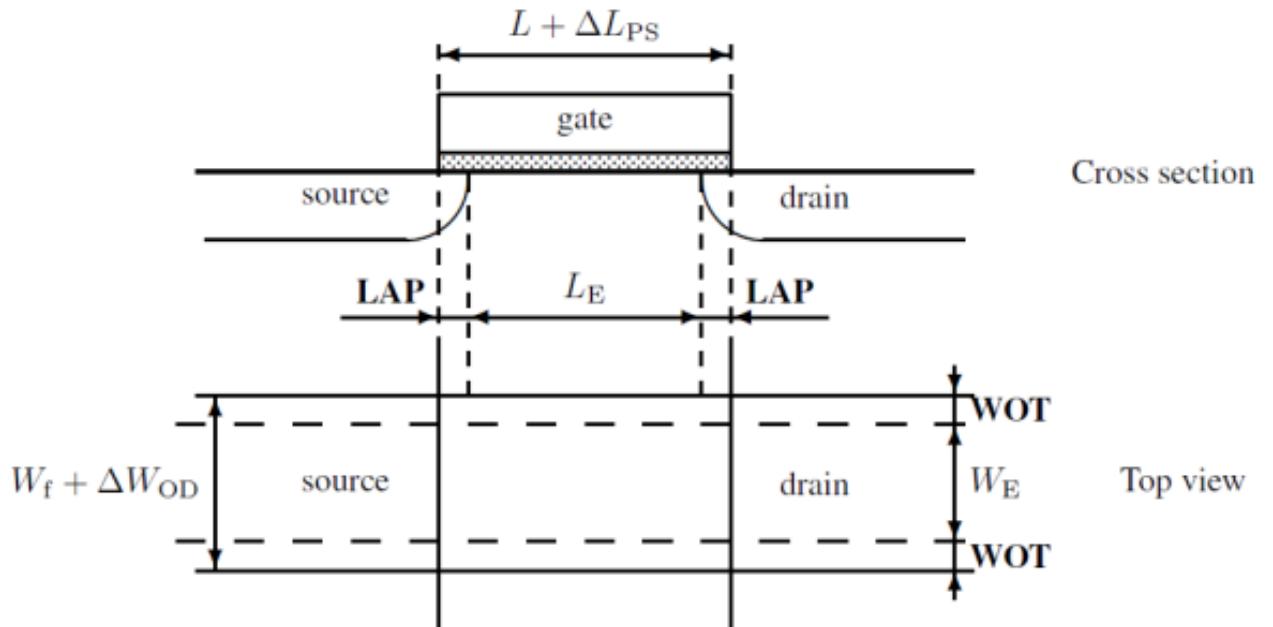


Figure 2.1: Definition of transistor geometrical parameters.

The effective length and width are defined as

$$L_{eff} = L - \Delta L, \quad (2.1)$$

$$W_{eff} = W_f - \Delta W, \quad (2.2)$$

where  $W_f$  is the width of one finger defined as

$$W_f = \frac{W}{NF}. \quad (2.3)$$

In our case we will assume that the number of fingers  $NF = 1$  and hence that  $W_f = W$ .

$\Delta L$  and  $\Delta W$  are given by

$$\Delta L = 2 LAP - \Delta L_{PS}, \quad (2.4)$$

$$\Delta W = 2 WOT - \Delta W_{OD}, \quad (2.5)$$

with

$$\Delta L_{PS} = LVARO \cdot \left(1 + LVARL \cdot \frac{L_{EN}}{L}\right) \cdot \left(1 + LVARW \cdot \frac{W_{EN}}{W_f}\right), \quad (2.6)$$

$$\Delta W_{OD} = WVVARO \cdot \left(1 + WVARL \cdot \frac{L_{EN}}{L}\right) \cdot \left(1 + WVARW \cdot \frac{W_{EN}}{W_f}\right). \quad (2.7)$$

$$L = 1.000 \mu m$$

$$L_{eff} = 1.043 \mu m$$

$$W = 1.000 \mu m$$

$$W_{eff} = 0.970 \mu m$$

We can approximate the effective length and width by setting  $\Delta L_{PS}$  and  $\Delta W_{OD}$  to zero, like it is effectively the case for nMOS. In this case we can define and length and width corrections as

$$DL = 51 \text{ nm}$$

$$DW = 30 \text{ nm}$$

## 2.2 Effective length and width for capacitances

The effective length and width are slightly different for the calculation of the capacitances.

The effective length and width for the calculation of the intrinsic and overlap capacitances are defined as

$$L_{E,CV} = L - \Delta L_{CV}, \quad (2.8)$$

$$W_{E,CV} = W - \Delta W_{CV}, \quad (2.9)$$

where

$$\Delta L_{CV} = 2 LAP - \Delta L_{PS} - DLQ, \quad (2.10)$$

$$\Delta W_{CV} = 2 WOT - \Delta W_{OD} - DWQ. \quad (2.11)$$

As mentioned above, for the IHP 130nm for nMOS  $\Delta L_{PS} = 0$  and  $\Delta W_{OD} = 0$  so that

$$\Delta L_{CV} = 2 LAP - DLQ, \quad (2.12)$$

$$\Delta W_{CV} = 2 WOT - DWQ. \quad (2.13)$$

The effective length and width for the calculation of the fringing field capacitances are defined as

$$L_{G,CV} = L - \Delta L_{G,CV}, \quad (2.14)$$

$$W_{G,ov} = W - \Delta W_{G,CV}, \quad (2.15)$$

where

$$\Delta L_{G,CV} = -\Delta L_{PS} - DLQ, \quad (2.16)$$

$$\Delta W_{G,CV} = -\Delta W_{OD} - DWQ. \quad (2.17)$$

Length and width correction for intrinsic and overlap capacitances:

$$L = 0.130 \mu m$$

$$L_{CV} = 0.055 \mu m$$

$$W = 1.000 \mu m$$

$$W_{CV} = 0.985 \mu m$$

Length and width correction for fringing capacitances:

$$L = 0.130 \mu m$$

$$L_{CVG} = 0.105 \mu m$$

$$W = 1.000 \mu m$$

$$W_{CVG} = 1.015 \mu m$$

Similarly, we can approximate the effective length and width by setting  $\Delta L_{PS}$  and  $\Delta W_{OD}$  to zero, like it is effectively the case for nMOS. In this case we can define and length and width corrections for capacitance calculation as

Length and width correction for intrinsic and overlap capacitances:

$$\Delta L_{CV} = 146 \text{ nm}$$

$$\Delta W_{CV} = 15 \text{ nm}$$

Length and width correction for fringing capacitances:

$$\Delta L_{G,CV} = 96 \text{ nm}$$

$$\Delta W_{G,CV} = -15 \text{ nm}$$

The value of  $\Delta L_{CV}$  and  $\Delta L_{G,CV}$  seem to be very high!

Table 2.1: Length and width corrections.

|                                        | Length correction DL | Width correction DW | Comment            |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| For current                            | 5.051e-08            | 3.000e-08           | extracted from PDK |
| For intrinsic and overlap capacitances | 1.464e-07            | 1.500e-08           | extracted from PDK |

Table 2.1: Length and width corrections.

|                                 | Length correction DL | Width correction DW | Comment            |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| For fringing-field capacitances | 9.592e-08            | -1.500e-08          | extracted from PDK |

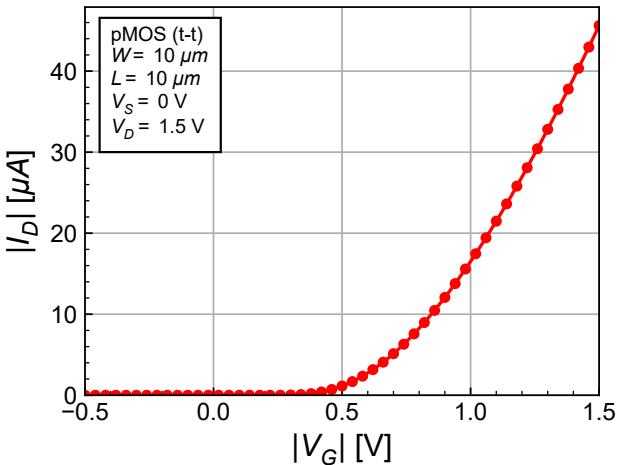
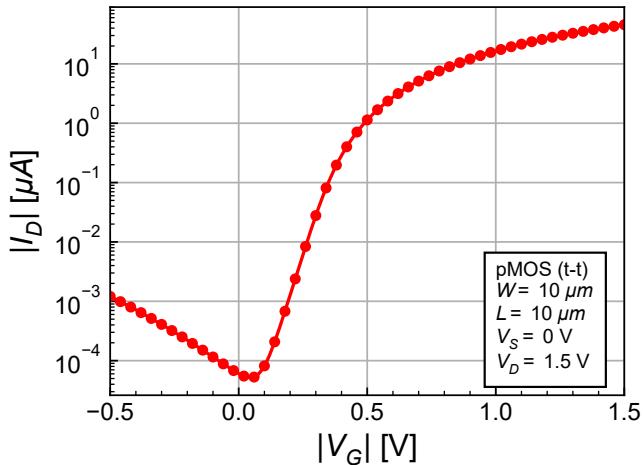
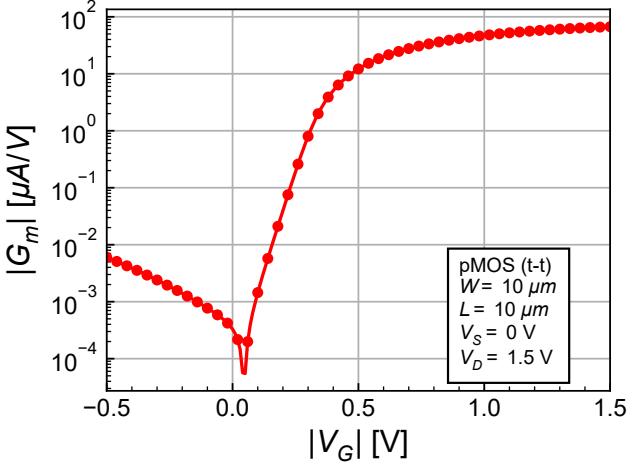
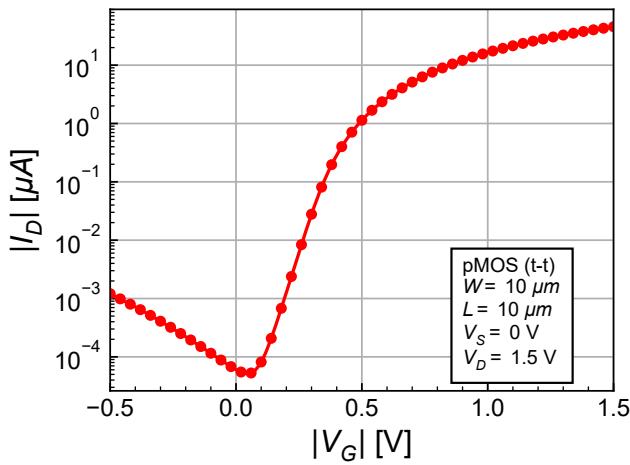
### 3 Long-channel parameters

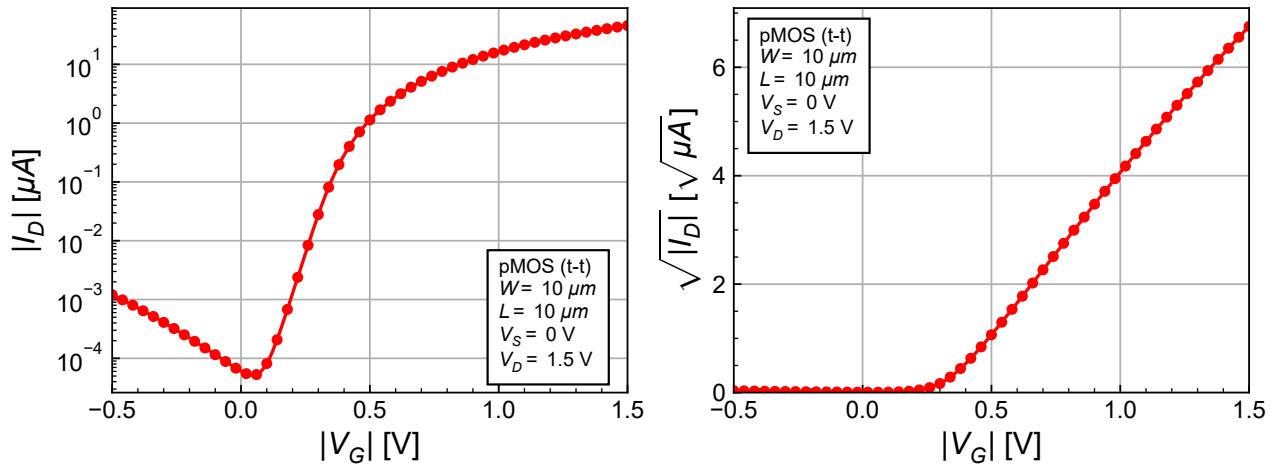
#### 3.1 DC Transfer Characteristic Parameters

##### 3.1.1 Generating the data

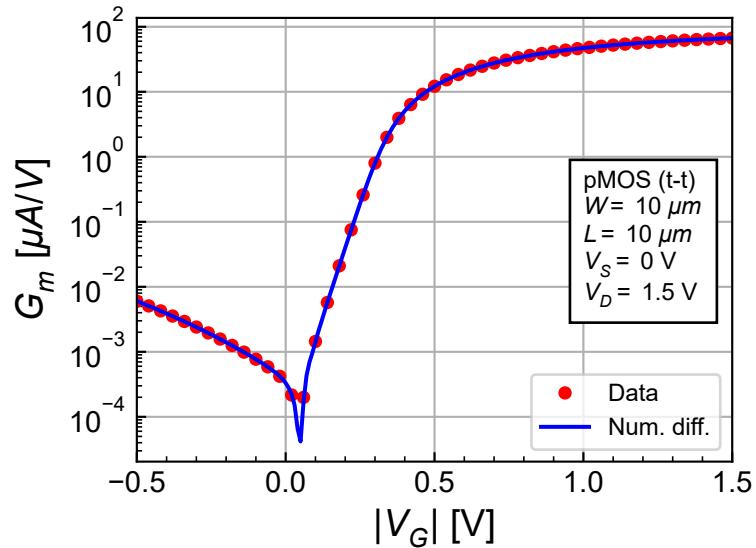
##### 3.1.2 Importing and plotting the data

###### 3.1.2.1 $I_D$ and $G_m$ versus $V_G$



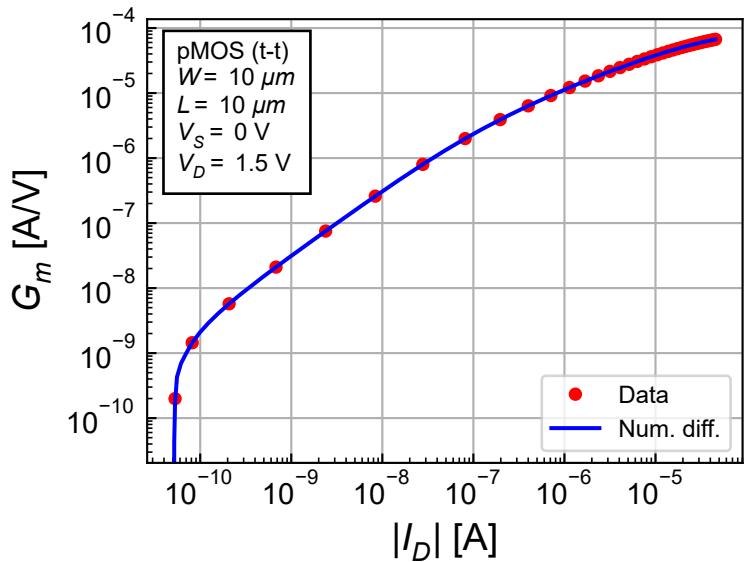


### 3.1.2.2 $G_m$ - $V_G$

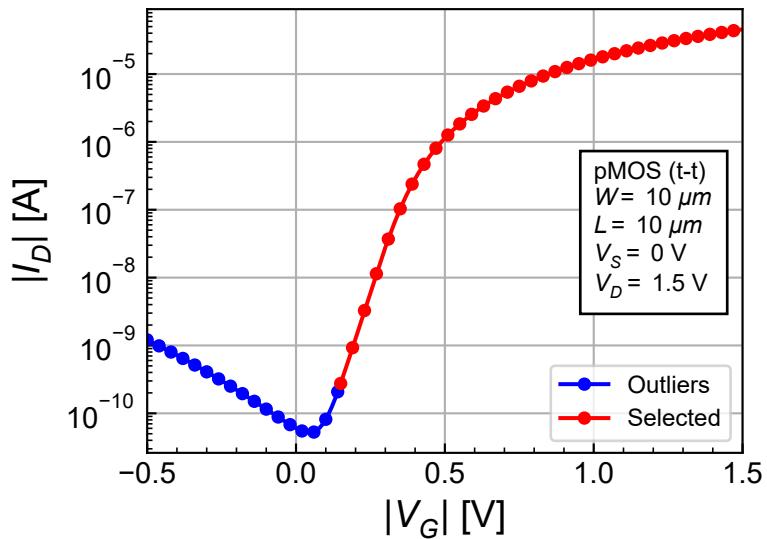


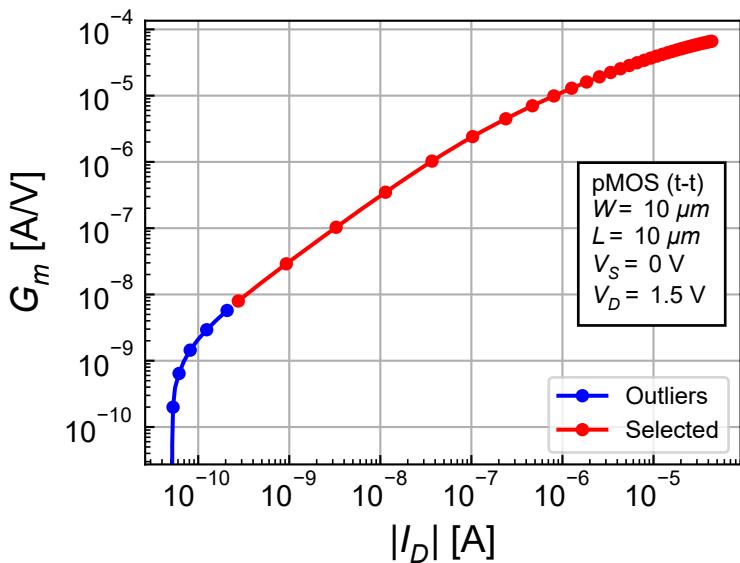
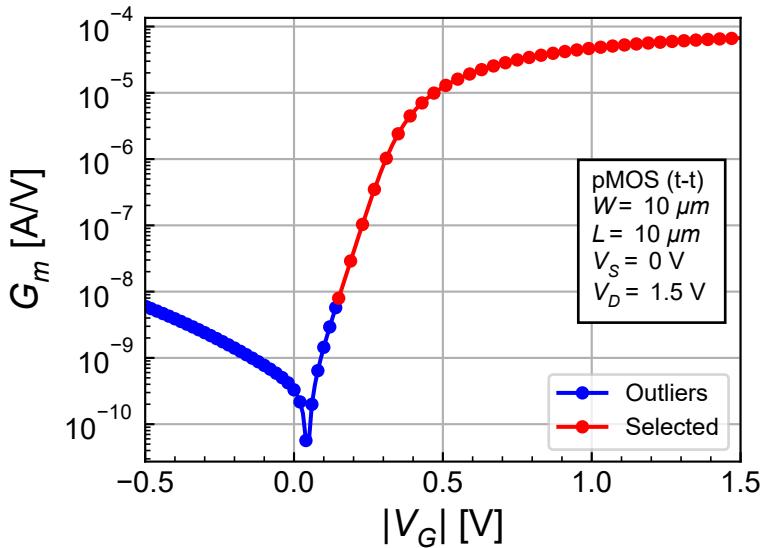
We see that the transconductance obtained by differentiating the large-signal  $I_D$ - $V_G$  characteristic is equal to the transconductance extracted from the PSP model. We will keep the value extracted from the PSP model.

### 3.1.2.3 $G_m$ - $I_D$



### 3.1.2.4 Filtering the outliers





### 3.1.3 Direct extraction with $\lambda_c = 0$

#### 3.1.3.1 Slope factor $n$ and $I_{spec}$ extraction

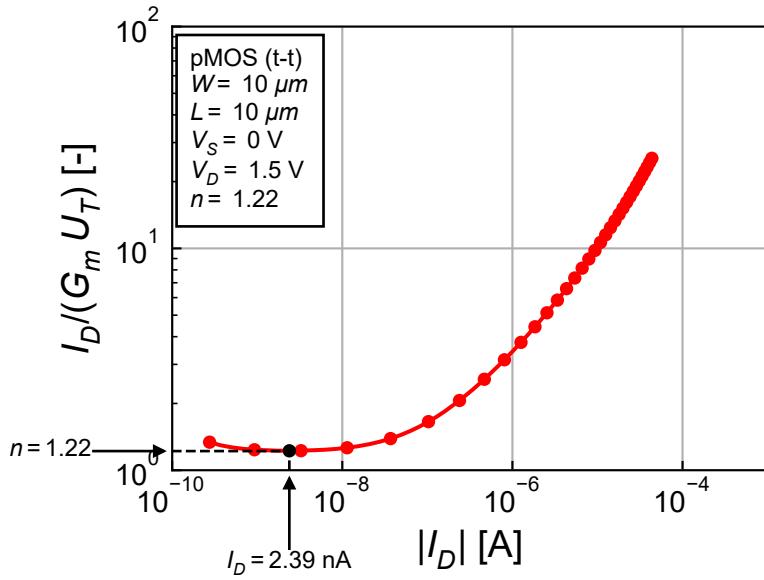
The gate transconductance in weak inversion and saturation is given by

$$G_m = \frac{I_D}{n U_T}. \quad (3.1)$$

So if we plot  $I_D/(G_m U_T)$  we should see a plateau in weak inversion the value of which is equal to the slope factor  $n$ .

$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{D,ext} = 2.39 \text{ nA}$$



On the other hand the normalized  $G_m/I_D$  function for a long-channel transistor in strong inversion and saturation is given by

$$\frac{G_m n U_T}{I_D} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{IC}} = \sqrt{\frac{I_{spec}}{I_D}}. \quad (3.2)$$

We can then plot  $(G_m n U_T)^2 / I_D$  which should find a maximum value equal to  $I_{spec}$ .

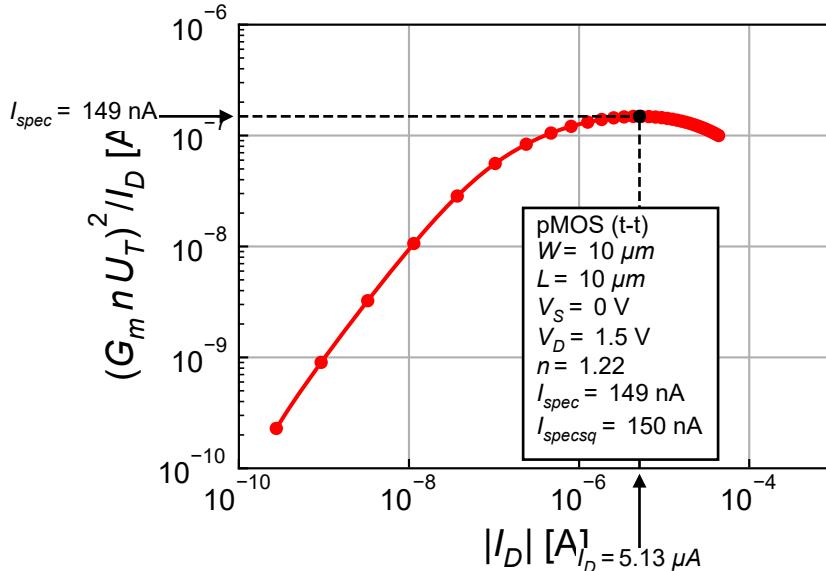
$$W_{eff} = 9.970 \mu m$$

$$L_{eff} = 10.046 \mu m$$

$$I_{spec} = 149 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 150 \text{ nA}$$

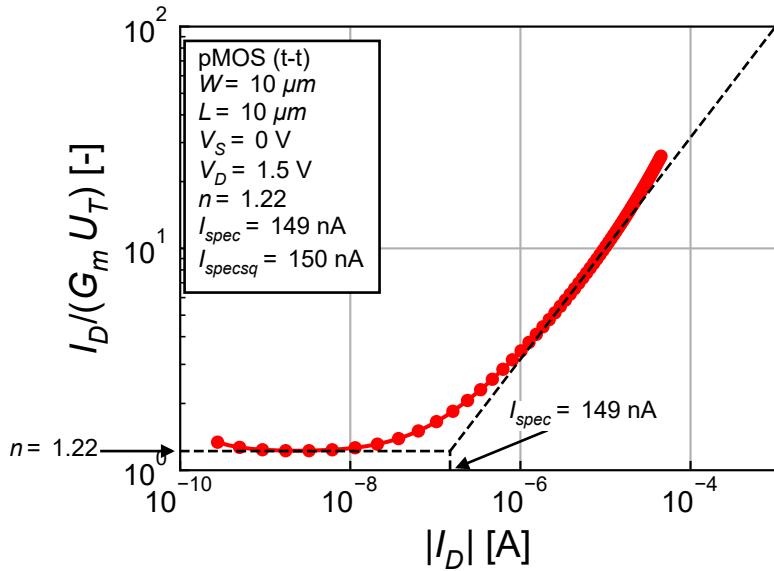
$$I_{D,ext} = 5.128 \mu A$$



$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 149 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 150 \text{ nA}$$



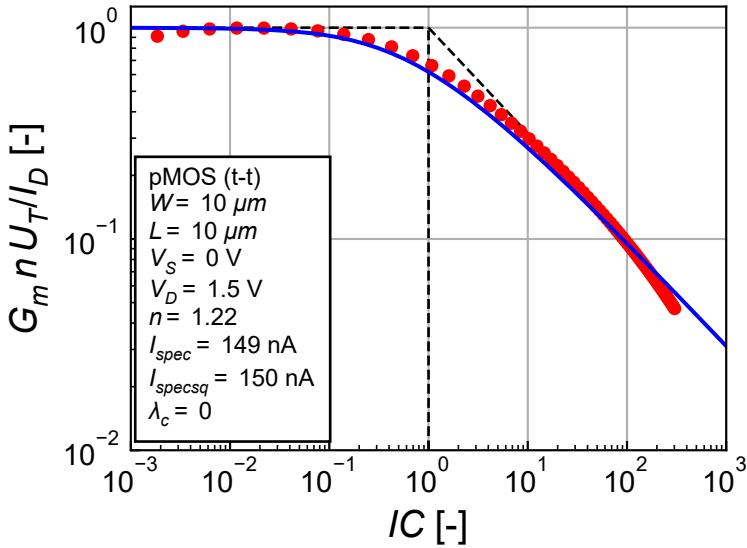
Having extracted  $n$  and  $I_{spec}$ , we can now plot the normalized  $G_m/I_D$  function.

$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 149 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 150 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$



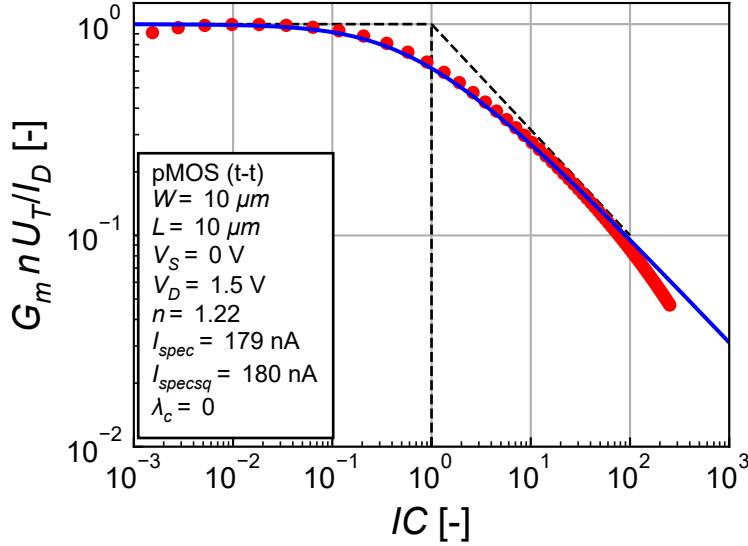
The fit is reasonable over the entire  $IC$  span. There is some discrepancy in the moderate inversion region which is due to the mobility reduction due to the vertical field appearing for  $IC > 10^2$ . The latter can be accounted for by using the  $\lambda_c$  parameter which is normally used for modeling the effect of velocity saturation in short-channel transistor but can also be used to correct the effect of mobility reduction due to the vertical field appearing in long-channel transistors. We will not do this here since we want to extract the long-channel parameters keeping  $\lambda_c = 0$ , but since we are mostly interested in the moderate inversion region, we can slightly increase  $I_{spec}$  to improve the fit in moderate inversion at the cost of a degradation in strong inversion.

$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 179 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 180 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$



The fit is now much better in moderate inversion but less in strong inversion. This is due to mobility reduction due to the vertical field an effect that is not accounted for in the model. However, we will keep the new values.

### 3.1.3.2 Threshold voltage extraction

We can extract the threshold voltage in weak inversion (assuming  $V_S = 0$ ) from the normalized current (inversion coefficient) given by

$$IC = e^{\frac{V_G - V_{T0}}{nU_T}}. \quad (3.3)$$

We can now plot

$$V_{T0} = V_G - nU_T \ln(IC) \quad (3.4)$$

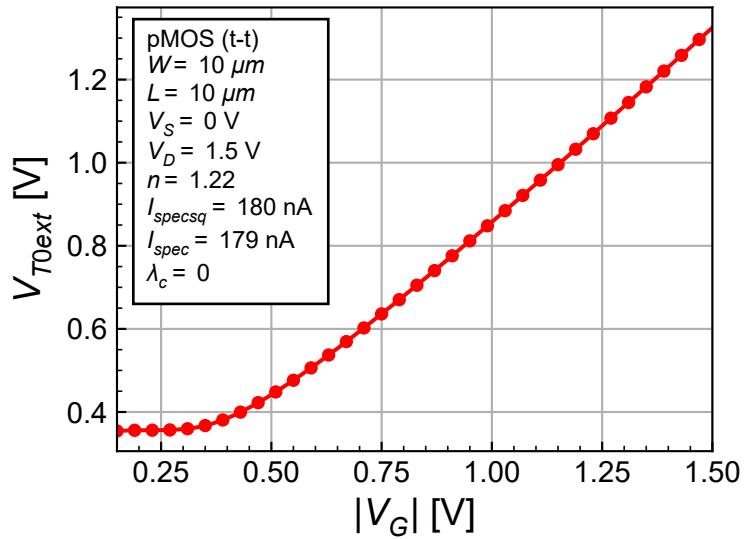
to extract the threshold voltage.

$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 179 \text{ nA}$$

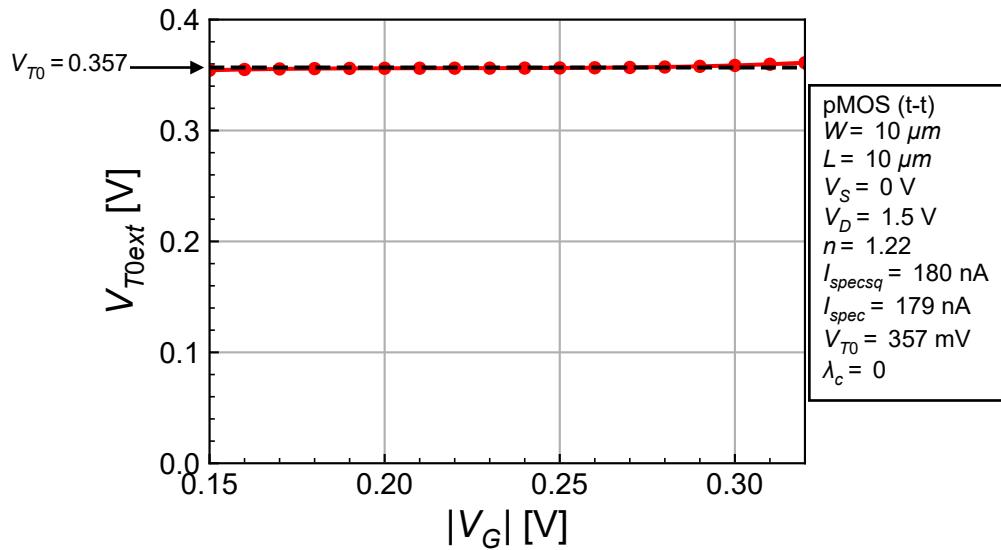
$$I_{spec\square} = 180 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$



We see a plateau in weak inversion where we can average its value to get the threshold voltage in weak inversion.

$$V_{T0,wi} = 357 \text{ mV}$$



The threshold voltage for this wide and long device is consistent with the documentation giving a typical-typical  $V_{TH} \cong 350 \text{ mV}$  for  $W = 10 \mu\text{m}$  and  $L = 10 \mu\text{m}$ .

We can now plot the  $I_D$ - $V_G$  for this threshold voltage.

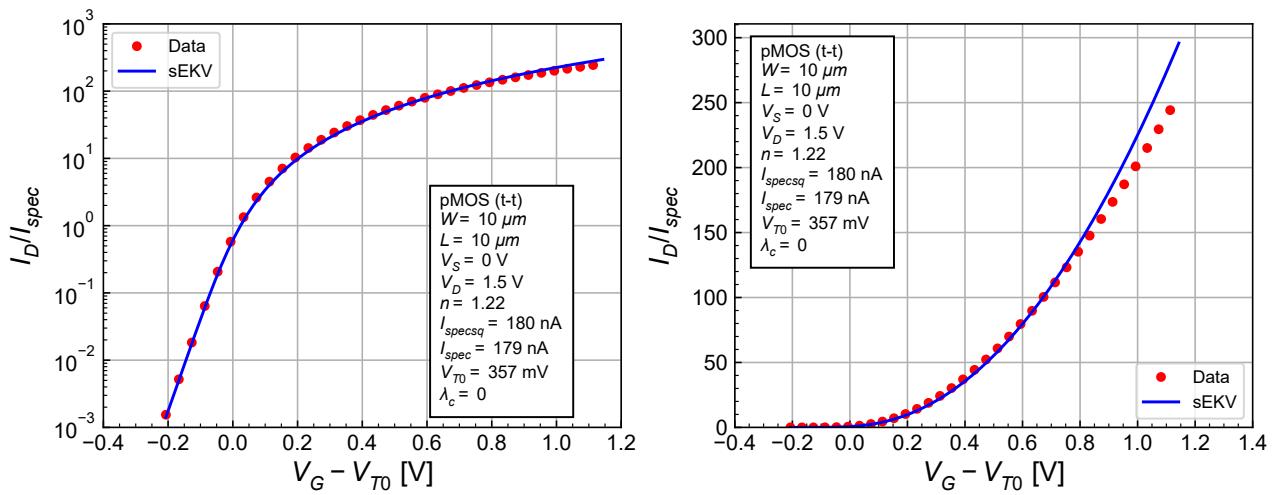
$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 179 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 180 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$V_{T0,wi} = 357 \text{ mV}$$



We get a reasonable fit with some deviations in strong inversion.

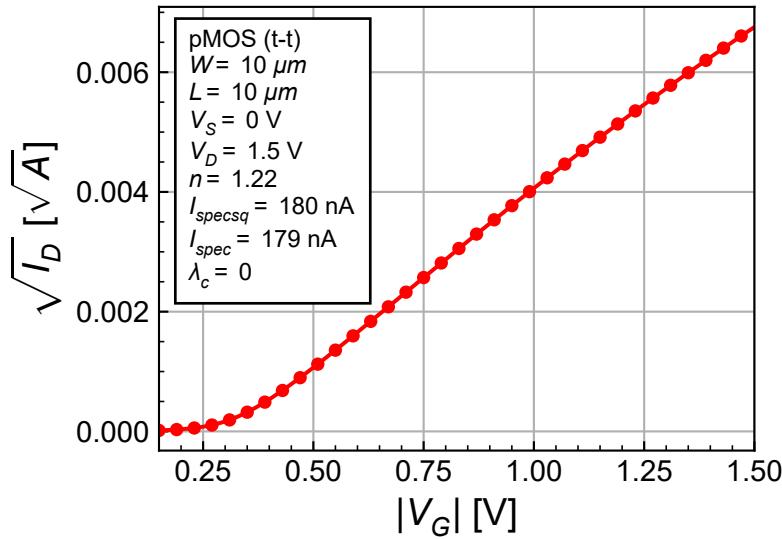
We can also extract the threshold voltage in strong inversion.

$$n = 1.22$$

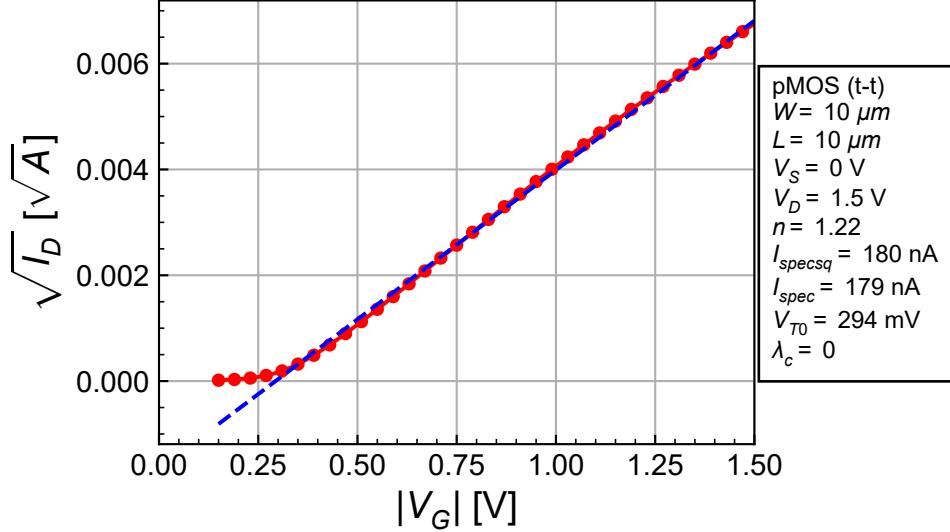
$$I_{spec} = 179 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 180 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$



$$V_{T0,si} = 294 \text{ mV}$$



We get a smaller value of the threshold voltage than the value extracted in weak inversion. We can check the fit in all regions.

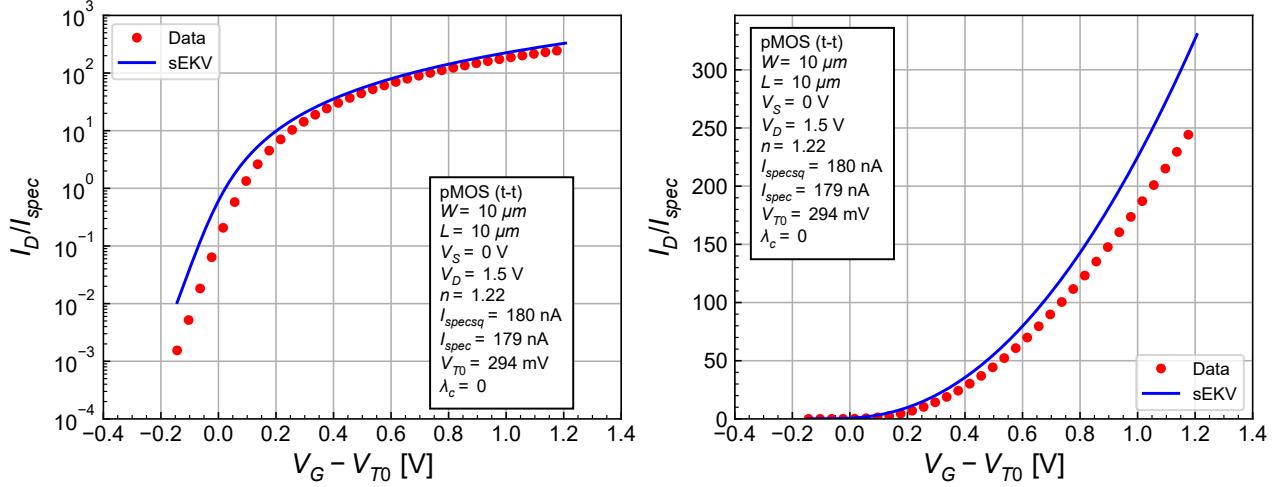
$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 179 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 180 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$V_{T0,si} = 294 \text{ mV}$$



As expected, we get a less good fit in weak inversion. We therefore keep the value of the threshold voltage extracted in weak inversion.

### 3.1.3.3 Summary

$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 179 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 180 \text{ nA}$$

$$V_{T0,wi} = 357 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

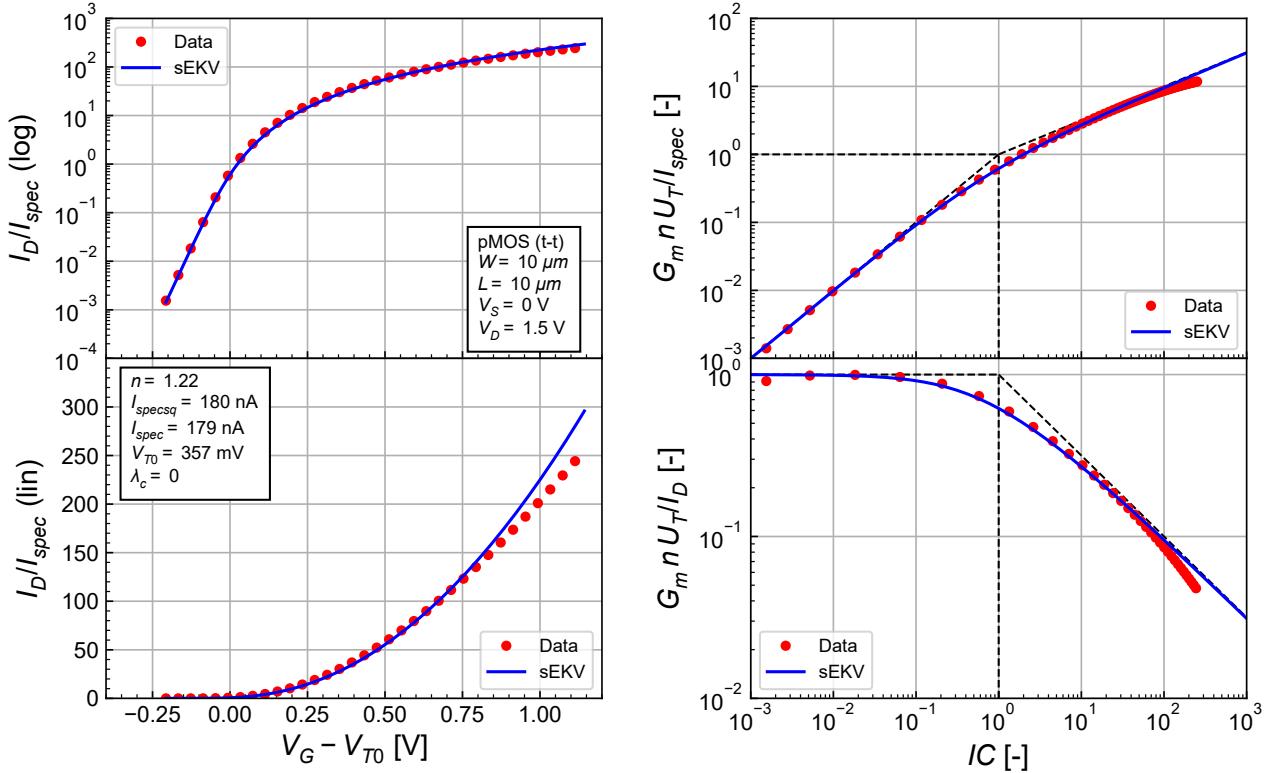


Table 3.1: Direct extraction of the sEKV parameters for the long-channel transistor with  $\lambda_c = 0$

|      | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | n         | $I_{specsq}$ | $V_{T0}$  | $\lambda_{dac}$ | Lsat | Com    |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------|-----------------|------|--------|
| long | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.800e-07    | 3.568e-01 | 0               | 0    | direct |

### 3.1.4 Extraction using optimization with $\lambda_c = 0$

#### 3.1.4.1 Slope factor $n$ and $I_{spec}$ extraction

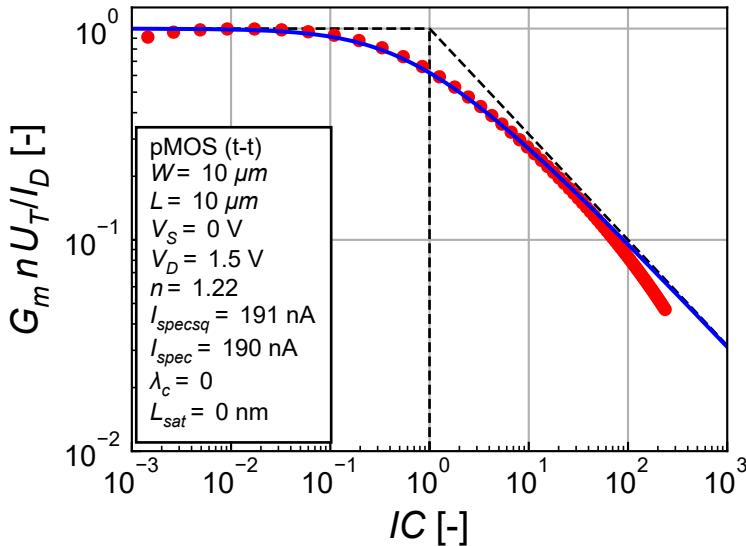
We can try to extract  $n$  and  $I_{spec}$  for a long-channel directly from the normalized  $G_m/I_d$  function.

$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 190 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 191 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$



We get a reasonable fit a value of  $I_{spec\square}$  larger than what we got with the direct extraction.

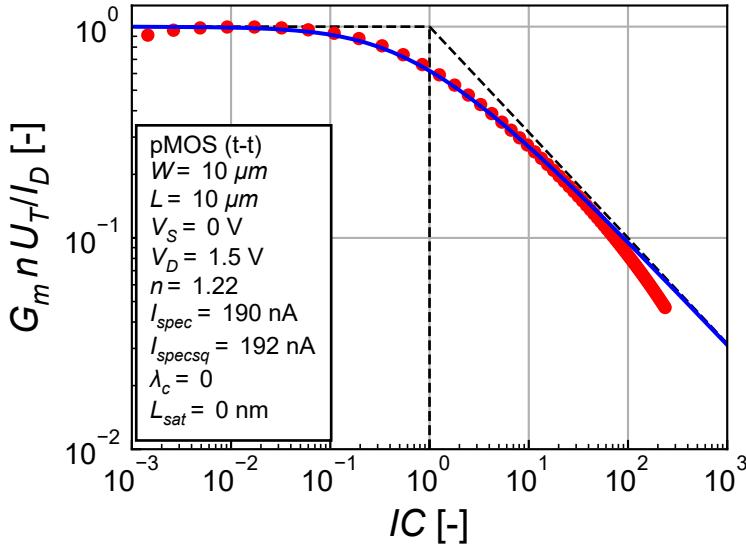
We can also try to keep the value of  $n$  extracted from the direct extraction above and optimize for  $I_{spec}$  only.

$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 190 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 192 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$



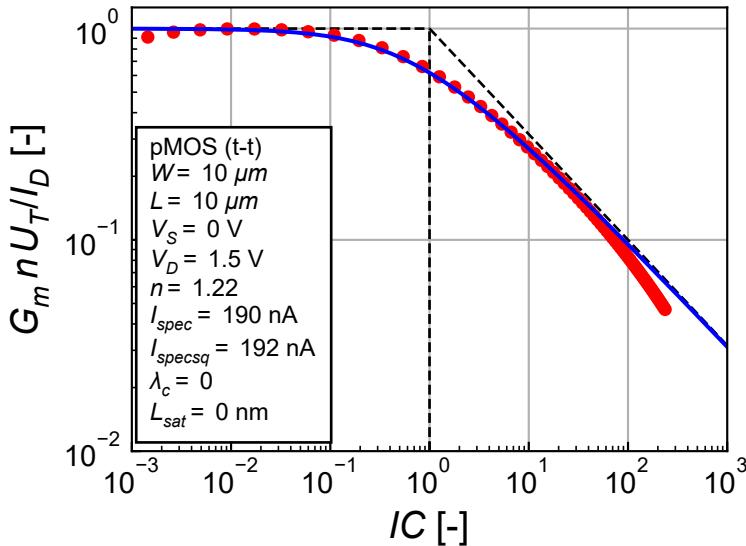
The fit is good in weak and moderate inversion, but we still have some discrepancies in strong inversion which is due to mobility reduction due to the vertical field. We will keep the last extracted values for  $I_{specsq}$ .

$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 190 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 192 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$



### 3.1.4.2 Threshold voltage extraction

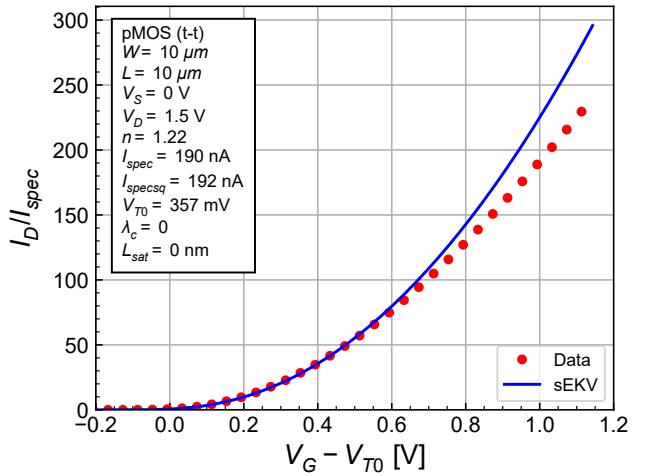
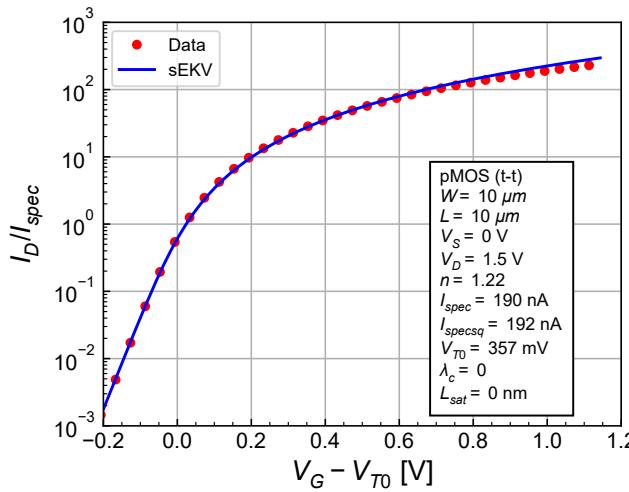
$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 190 nA$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 192 nA$$

$$V_{T0} = 357 mV$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$



We see a reasonable fit except in strong inversion. This is expected since we optimized the moderate inversion region.

### 3.1.4.3 Summary

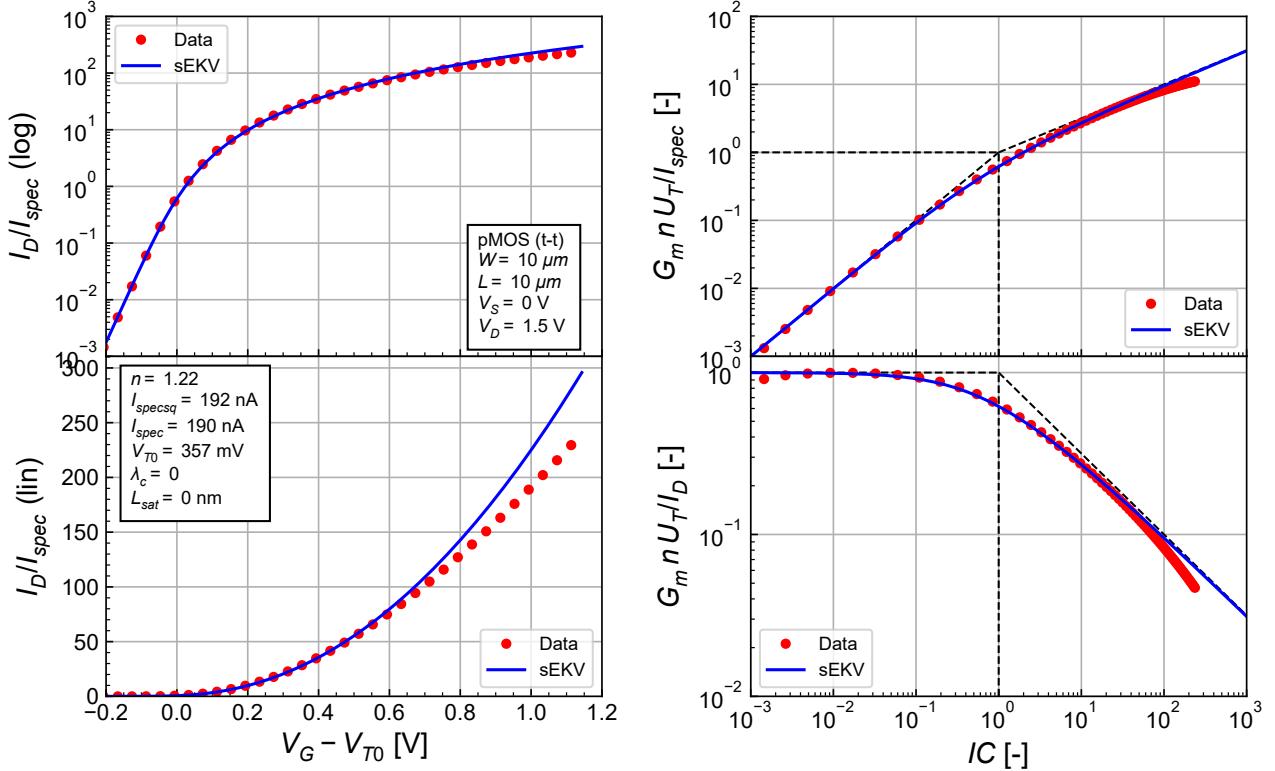
$$n = 1.22$$

$$I_{spec} = 190 nA$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 192 nA$$

$$V_{T0} = 357 mV$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$



The extraction using curve-fitting gives a better fit in moderate inversion but less in strong inversion.

Table 3.2: Extraction of the sEKV parameters by optimization for the long-channel transistor  $\lambda_c = 0$ .

|      | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | n         | Ispecsq   | VT0       | lambdac | Lsat | Com    |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|------|--------|
| long | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.800e-07 | 3.568e-01 | 0       | 0    | direct |
| long | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.915e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 0       | 0    | optim  |

### 3.1.5 Extraction using optimization with $\lambda_c > 0$

We start extracting  $n$ ,  $I_{spec}$  and  $\lambda_c$  using curve fitting on  $G_m/I_D$ .

$$n = 1.23$$

$$I_{spec} = 212 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 212 \text{ nA}$$

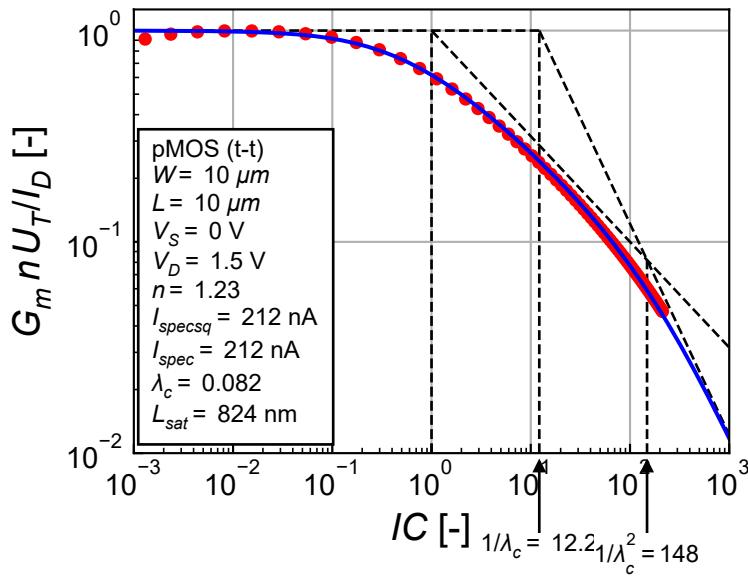
$$V_{T0} = 357 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.082$$

$$L_{sat} = 824.416 \text{ nm}$$

$$1/\lambda_c = 12$$

$$1/\lambda_c^2 = 148$$



We now have a good fit in strong inversion that we can still improve by slightly reducing the value of  $I_{specsq}$ , which seems too high and  $\lambda_c$ .

$$n = 1.23$$

$$I_{spec} = 198 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 200 \text{ nA}$$

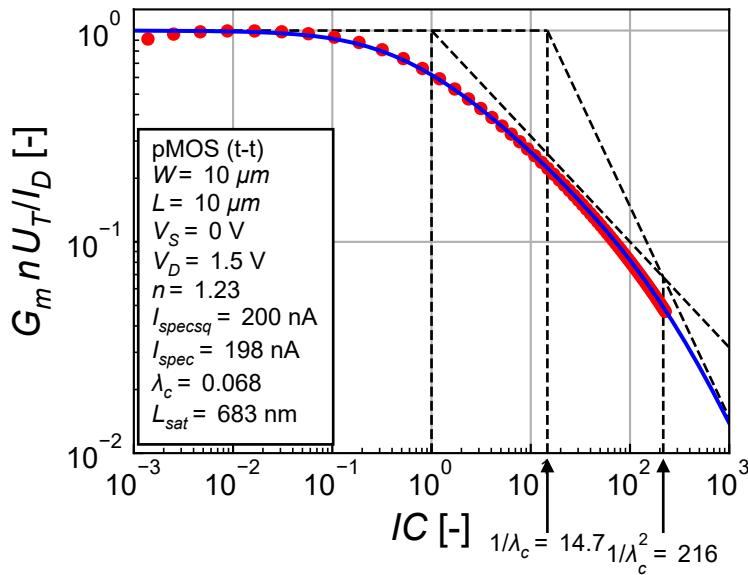
$$V_{T0} = 357 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.068$$

$$L_{sat} = 683 \text{ nm}$$

$$1/\lambda_c = 15$$

$$1/\lambda_c^2 = 216$$



We now have an almost perfect fit.

### 3.1.5.1 Summary

We can now check the large and small-signal characteristics.

$$n = 1.23$$

$$I_{spec} = 198 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 200 \text{ nA}$$

$$V_{T0} = 357 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.068$$

$$L_{sat} = 683 \text{ nm}$$

$$1/\lambda_c = 15$$

$$1/\lambda_c^2 = 216$$

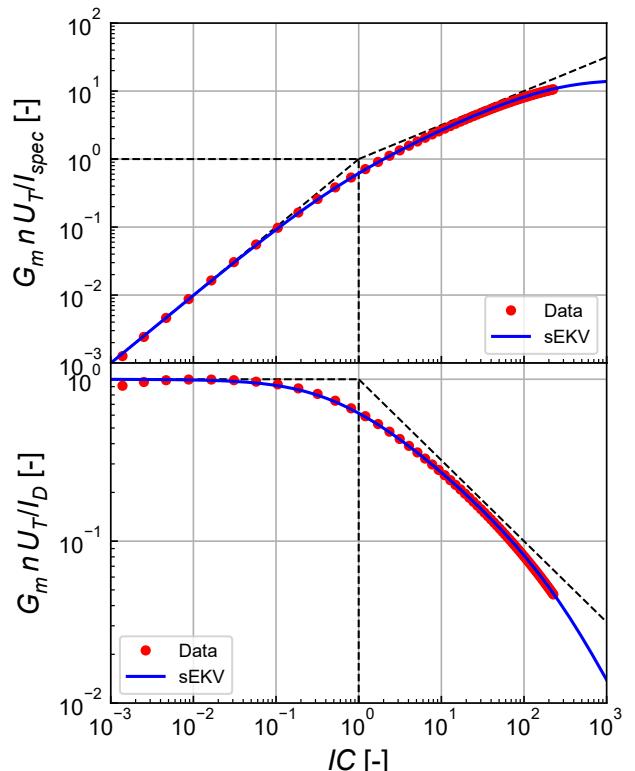
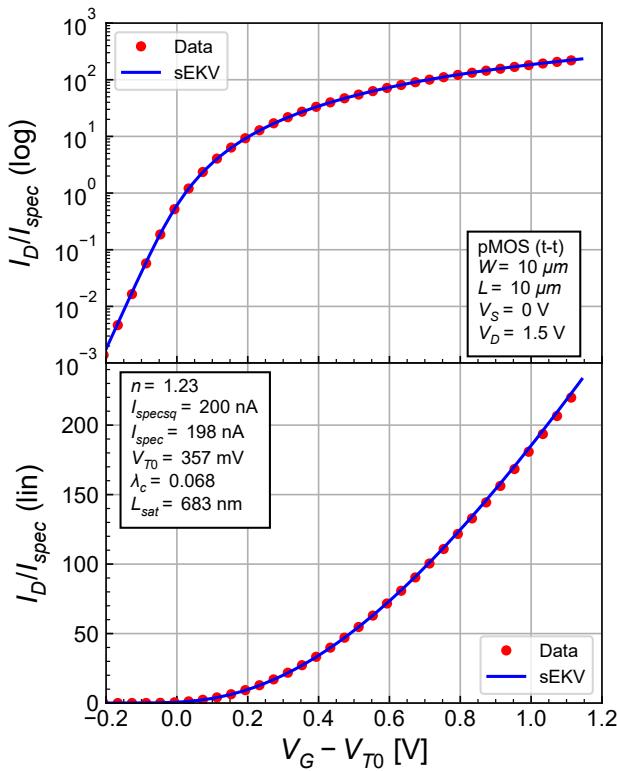


Table 3.3: Extraction of the sEKV parameters by optimization for the long-channel transistor  $\lambda_c > 0$ .

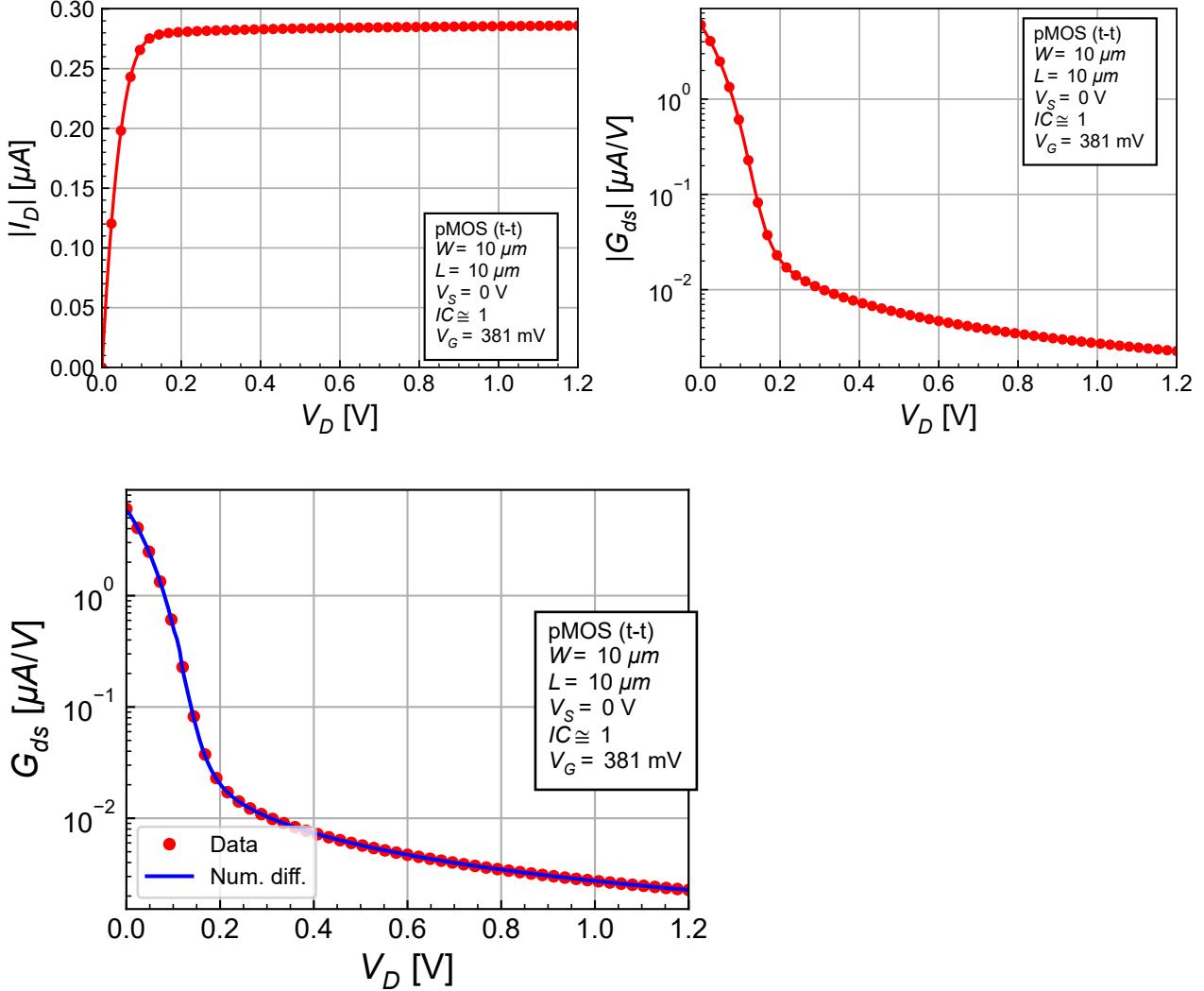
|      | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | n         | Ispecsq   | VT0       | lambdac   | Lsat      |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| long | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.800e-07 | 3.568e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |
| long | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.915e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |
| long | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.227e+00 | 2.000e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 6.800e-02 | 6.831e-07 |

## 3.2 Output characteristic

### 3.2.1 Generating the data

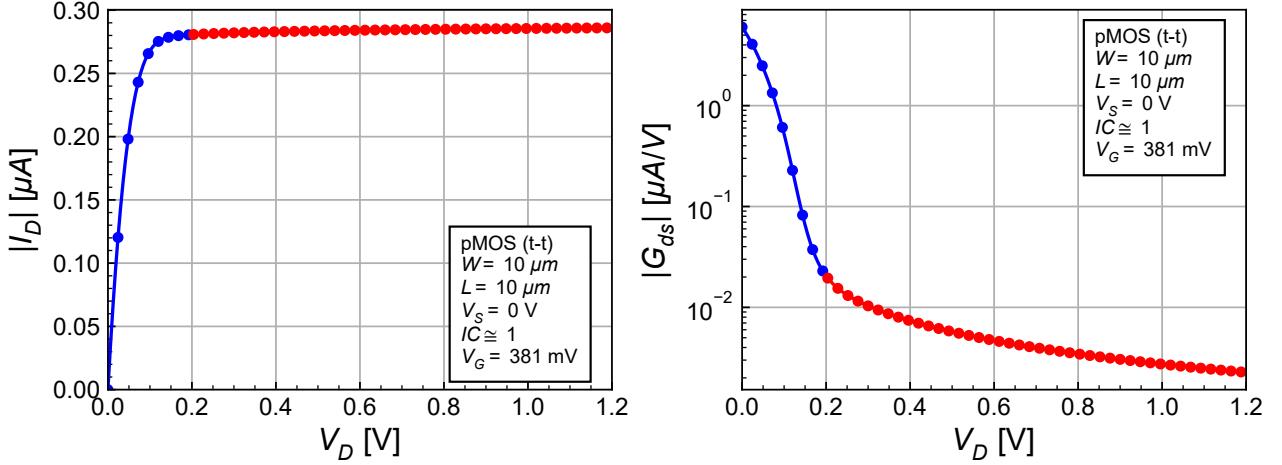
### 3.2.2 Importing and plotting the data

#### 3.2.2.1 $I_D$ and $G_{ds}$ versus $V_D$



The output conductance calculated by differentiating the large-signal  $I_D$ - $V_D$  matches the value extracted from the PSP model. We will keep the value from PSP.

### 3.2.2.2 Filtering the outliers



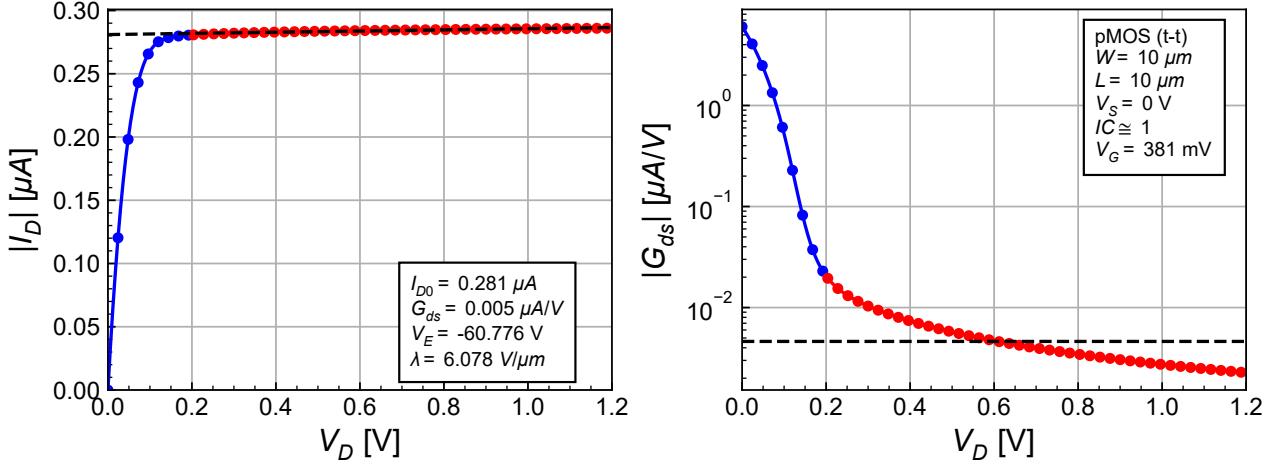
### 3.2.3 Extracting the CLM parameter

$$G_{ds} = 0.005 \mu A/V$$

$$I_{D0} = 0.281 \mu A$$

$$V_E = -60.776 V$$

$$\lambda = 6.078 V/\mu m$$



We get a much smaller output conductance than for the nMOS and hence a higher value of the  $\lambda$  parameter.

Table 3.4: CLM parameters extracted for the long-channel transistor in moderate inversion.

|      | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | IC | Gds       | ID0       | VE         | lambda    | Com |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----|
| long | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1  | 4.623e-09 | 2.810e-07 | -6.078e+01 | 6.078e+06 | mod |

### 3.3 Noise

In this section we will extract the flicker noise parameters to be used with sEKV and check the white noise power spectral density (PSD). We reuse the flicker noise model from EKV 2.6, where the input (gate) referred PSD is given by

$$S_{nin,fl}(f) = \frac{KF}{W_{eff} L_{eff} C_{ox} f^{AF}} \quad (3.5)$$

In this model the flicker noise is assumed to scale as  $1/C_{ox}$ , which is correct if the noise follows the Hooge model (i.e. originates from mobility fluctuations). In the case of the Mc Worther model (i.e. flicker noise originating from traps in Si-SiO<sub>2</sub> interface and in the oxyde), the PSD scales as  $C_{ox}^2$ . Despit the flicker noise is usually domanted by the trapping mechanism, we will keep the above model with a  $1/C_{ox}$  scaling.

In EKV , we like to rewrite the flicker noise PSD like the thermal noise in terms of a input-referred noise resistance

$$S_{nin,fl}(f) = 4kT R_{nin,fl}(f) \quad (3.6)$$

where

$$R_{nin,fl}(f) = \frac{\rho}{W_{eff} L_{eff} f^{AF}} \quad (3.7)$$

with

$$\rho = \frac{KF}{4kT C_{ox}} \quad (3.8)$$

Note that the flicker noise parameter have some weird units. Indeed,  $KF$  is in  $A \cdot V \cdot s^{2-AF}$  and  $\rho$  is in  $V \cdot m^2/(A \cdot s^{AF})$ . If  $AF = 1$ , like it is often the case, then  $KF$  is in  $A \cdot V \cdot s$  and  $\rho$  is in  $V \cdot m^2/(A \cdot s)$ .

To extract the noise parameters, we use a common-source stage loaded by a noiseless resistor. We first will set the bias condition in terms of  $IC$  and calculate the input-referred white noise to compare it to the result obtained from the PSP simulations.

#### 3.3.1 Setting bias conditions

Having extracted  $n$ ,  $I_{spec\square}$  and  $V_{T0}$ , we can impose the inversion coefficient and calculate the corresponding gate voltage  $V_G$ . We nee to make sure the transistor remains in saturation.

$$W = 10 \mu m$$

$$L = 10 \mu m$$

$$IC = 1$$

$$I_D = 0.190 \mu A$$

$$V_G = 0.381 V$$

$$V_S = 0.000 V$$

$$G_m = 3.723 \mu A/V$$

$$\gamma_n = 0.688$$

$$R_{n,th} = 184.714 \text{ } k\Omega$$

$$S_{n,th} = 3.062\text{e-}15 \text{ } V^2/\text{Hz}$$

$$V_{n,th} = 55.334 \text{ } nV/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

$$A_v = 10$$

$$R_L = 2686.093 \text{ } k\Omega$$

$$V_{DD} = 1.200 \text{ } V$$

$$V_{RL} = 0.511 \text{ } V$$

$$V_{DS} = 0.689 \text{ } V$$

$$V_{DSsat} = 0.116 \text{ } V$$

The transistor is biased in the saturation region

### 3.3.2 Extract operating point information

We can extract the values of the PSP noise parameters from the operating point informations.

$$V_{n,th} = 74.370 \text{ } nV/\sqrt{\text{Hz}} \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$f_k = 1.022 \text{ } kHz \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$KF = 8.726\text{e-}24 \text{ } VAs \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$\rho = 0.034 \text{ } Vm^2/(As) \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$AF = 1.000 \text{ (PSP)}$$

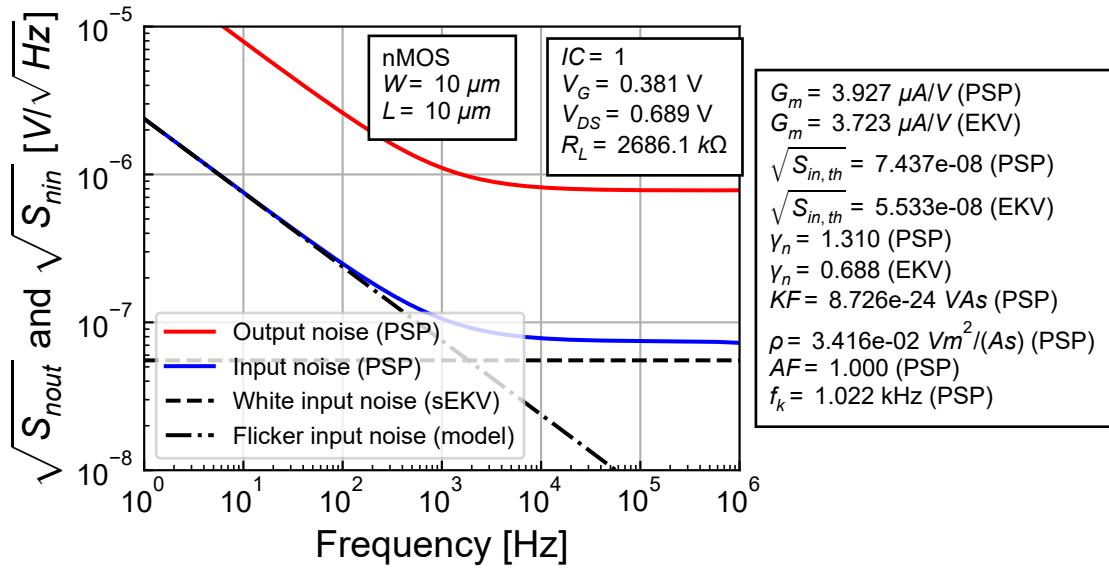
$$R_{n,th} = 333.665 \text{ } k\Omega \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$\gamma_n = 1.310 \text{ (PSP)}$$

|    | Weff      | Leff      | IDS       | Gm        | Gds       | Snidth    | Vninth    | Snidfl @ 1Hz | Vninf @ 1Hz |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-------------|
| Mp | 9.970e-06 | 1.005e-05 | 1.994e-07 | 3.927e-06 | 2.840e-09 | 8.531e-26 | 7.437e-08 | 8.718e-23    | 7.518e-08   |

### 3.3.3 Simulating noise PSD

We can now simulate the PSD and check against the EKV model.



The flicker noise parameters are given by

Table 3.6: Extraction of the noise parameters for the long-channel transistor.

|      | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | IC | KF        | AF        | rho       | Comment  |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| long | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1  | 8.726e-24 | 1.000e+00 | 3.416e-02 | moderate |

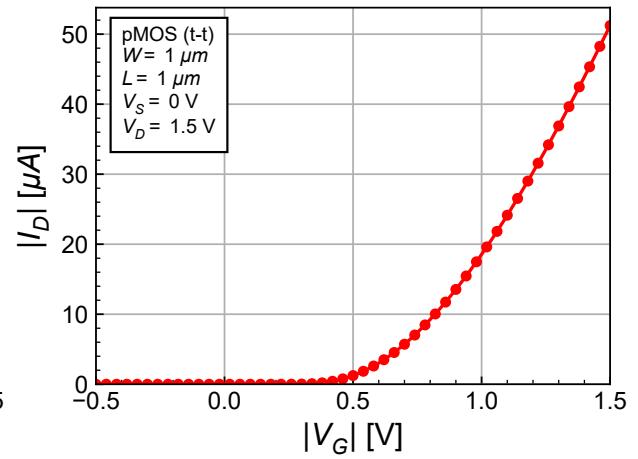
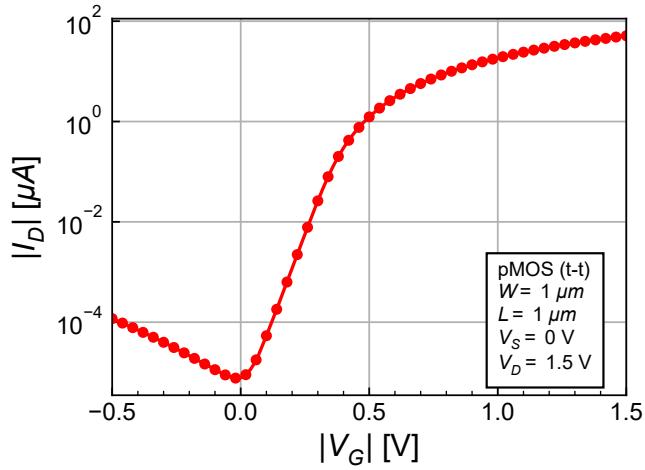
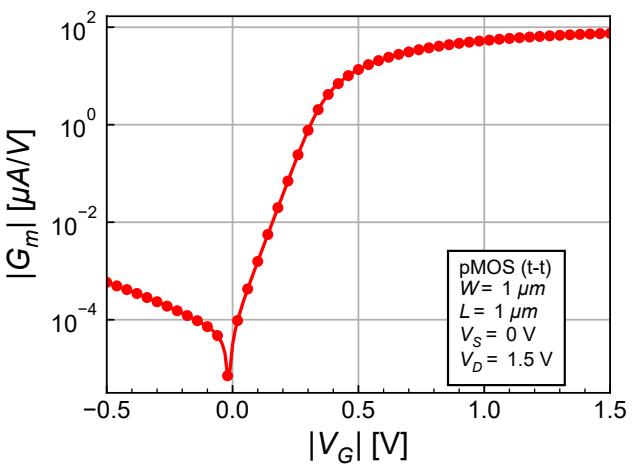
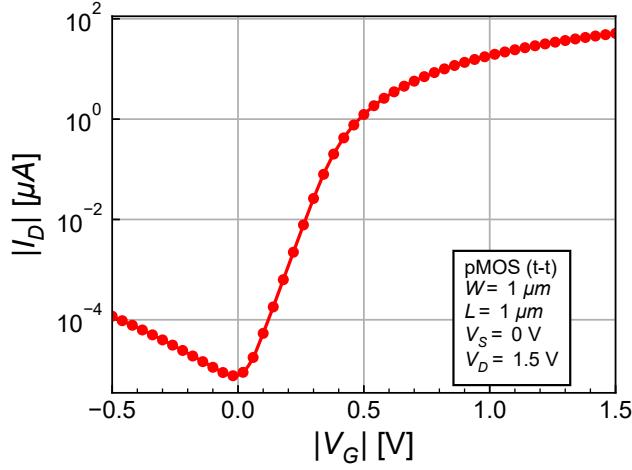
## 4 Medium-channel parameters

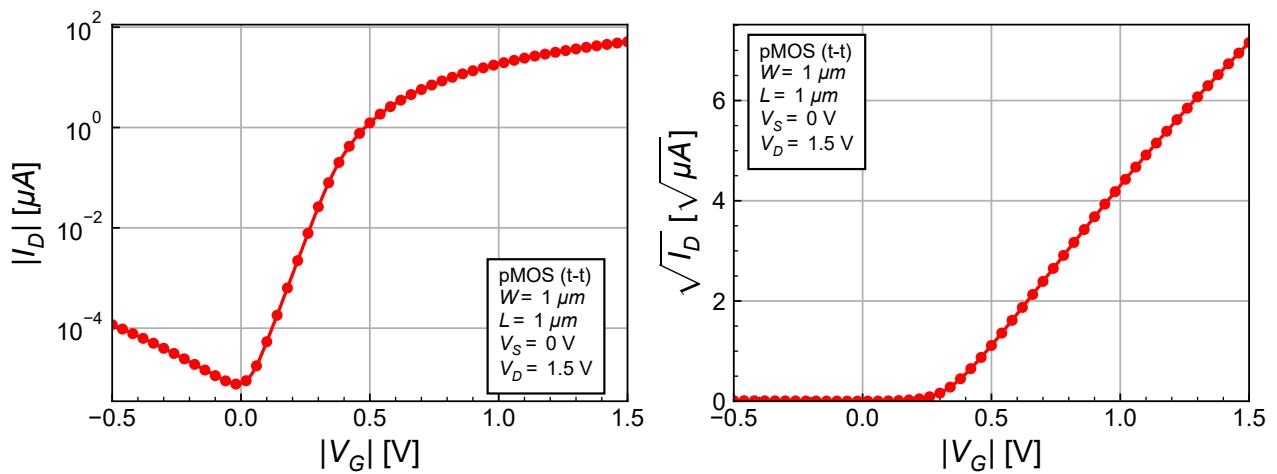
### 4.1 DC Transfer Characteristic Parameters

#### 4.1.1 Generating the data

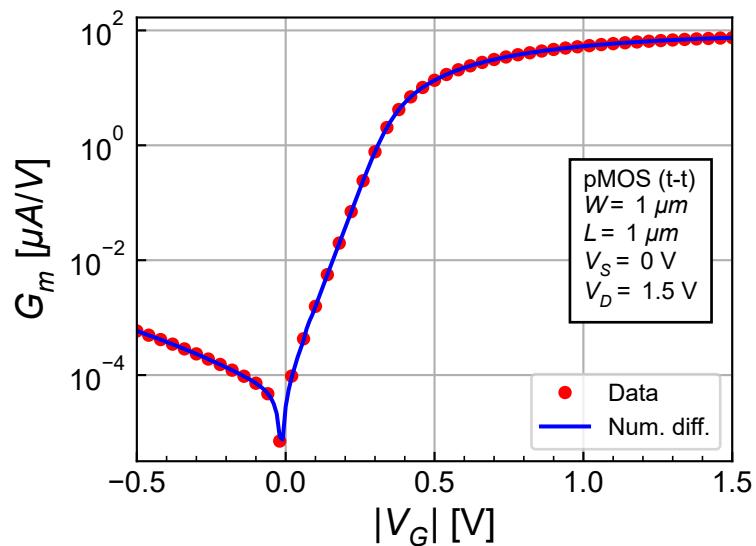
#### 4.1.2 Importing and plotting the data

##### 4.1.2.1 $|I_D|$ and $|G_m|$ versus $|V_G|$



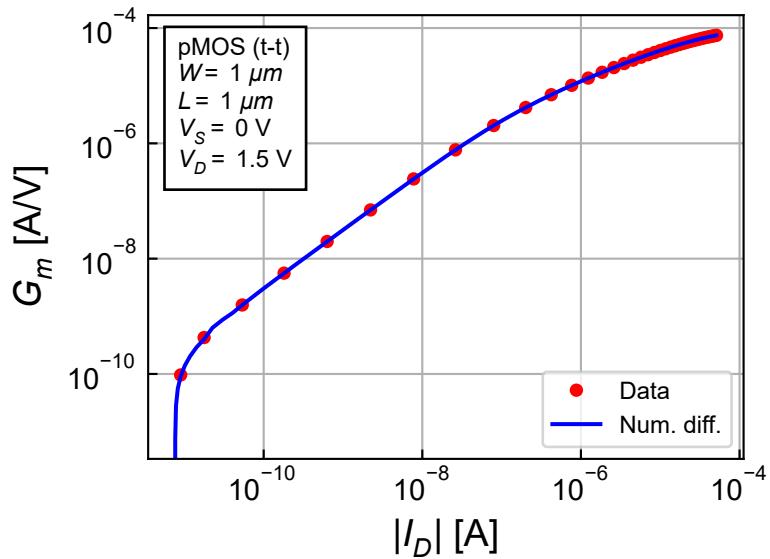


#### 4.1.2.2 $G_m$ - $V_G$

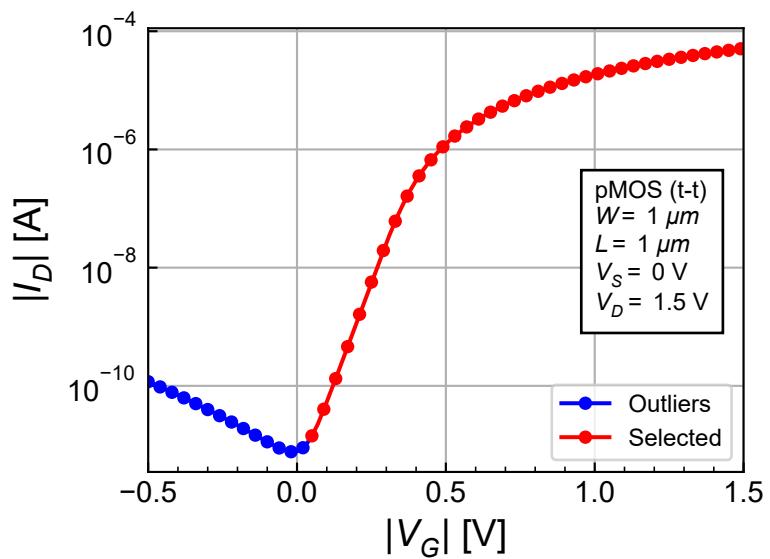


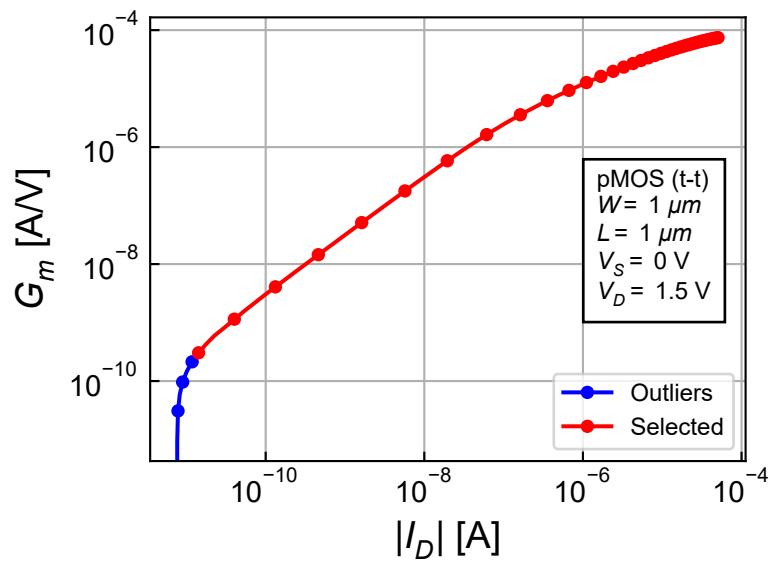
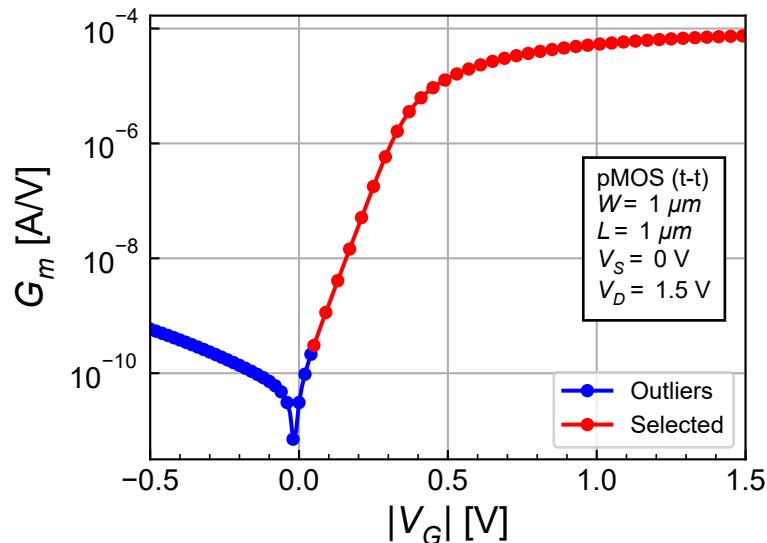
We see that the transconductance obtained by differentiating the large-signal  $I_D$ - $V_G$  characteristic is equal to the transconductance extracted from the PSP model. We will keep the value extracted from the PSP model.

#### 4.1.2.3 $G_m$ - $I_D$



#### 4.1.2.4 Filtering the outliers





#### 4.1.3 Direct extraction with $\lambda_c = 0$

##### 4.1.3.1 Slope factor $n$ and $I_{spec}$ extraction

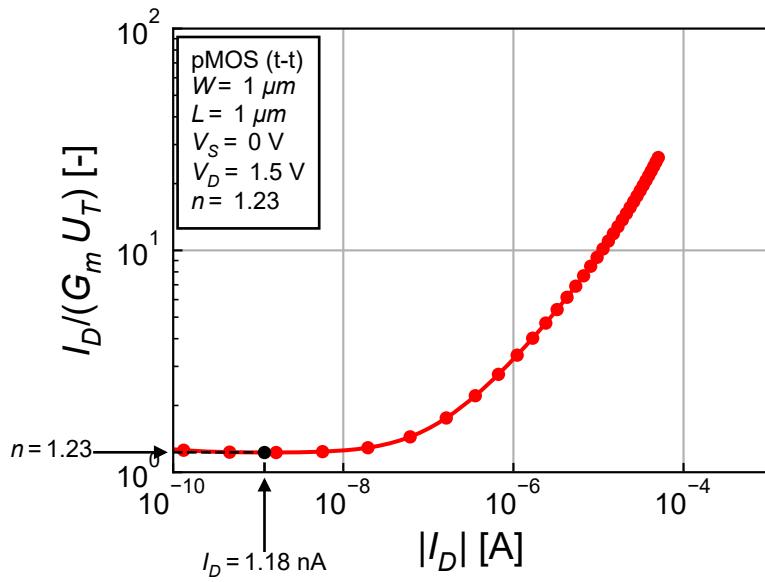
The gate transconductance in weak inversion and saturation is given by

$$G_m = \frac{I_D}{n U_T}. \quad (4.1)$$

So if we plot  $I_D/(G_m U_T)$  we should see a plateau in weak inversion the value of which is equal to the slope factor  $n$ .

$$n = 1.23$$

$$I_{D,ext} = 1.18 \text{ nA}$$



On the other hand the normalized  $G_m/I_D$  function for a long-channel transistor in strong inversion and saturation is given by

$$\frac{G_m n U_T}{I_D} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{IC}} = \sqrt{\frac{I_{spec}}{I_D}}. \quad (4.2)$$

We can then plot  $(G_m n U_T)^2/I_D$  which should find a maximum value equal to  $I_{spec}$ .

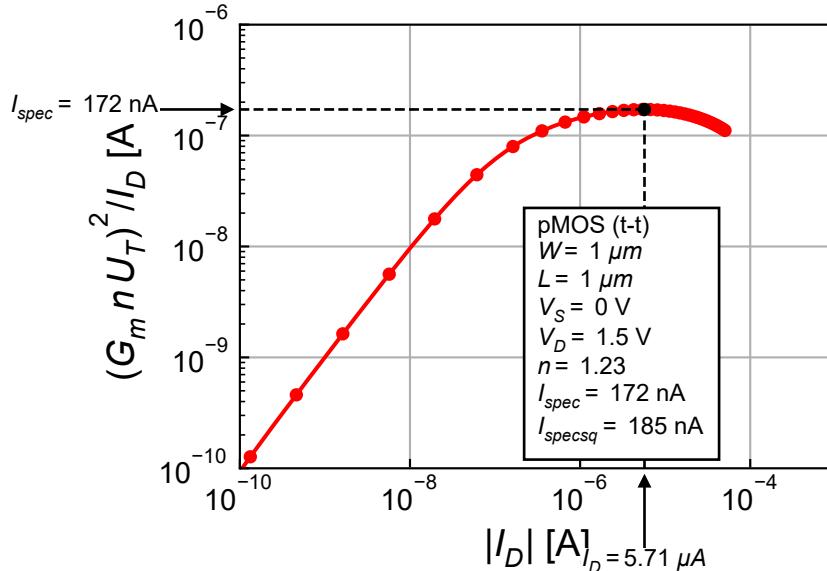
$$W_{eff} = 0.970 \mu\text{m}$$

$$L_{eff} = 1.043 \mu\text{m}$$

$$I_{spec} = 172 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 185 \text{ nA}$$

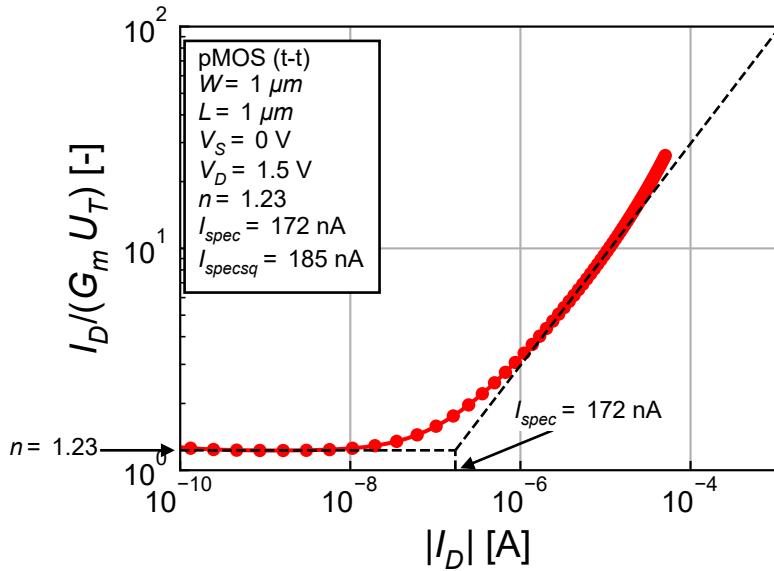
$$I_{D,ext} = 5.714 \mu\text{A}$$



$$n = 1.23$$

$$I_{spec} = 172 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 185 \text{ nA}$$



Having extracted  $n$  and  $I_{spec}$ , we can now plot the normalized  $G_m/I_D$  function.

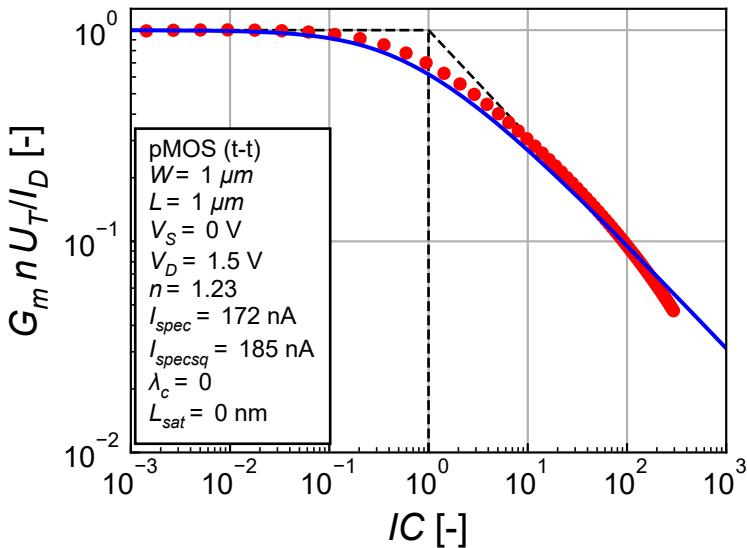
$$n = 1.23$$

$$I_{spec} = 172 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 185 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



The fit is reasonable over the entire  $IC$  span. There is some discrepancy in the moderate inversion region which is due to the mobility reduction due to the vertical field appearing for  $IC > 10^2$ . The latter can be accounted for by using the  $\lambda_c$  parameter which is normally used for modeling the effect of velocity saturation in short-channel transistor but can also be used to correct the effect of mobility reduction due to the vertical field appearing in long-channel transistors. We will not do this here since we want to extract the long-channel parameters keeping  $\lambda_c = 0$ , but since we are mostly interested in the moderate inversion region, we can slightly increase  $I_{spec}$  to improve the fit in moderate inversion at the cost of a degradation in strong inversion.

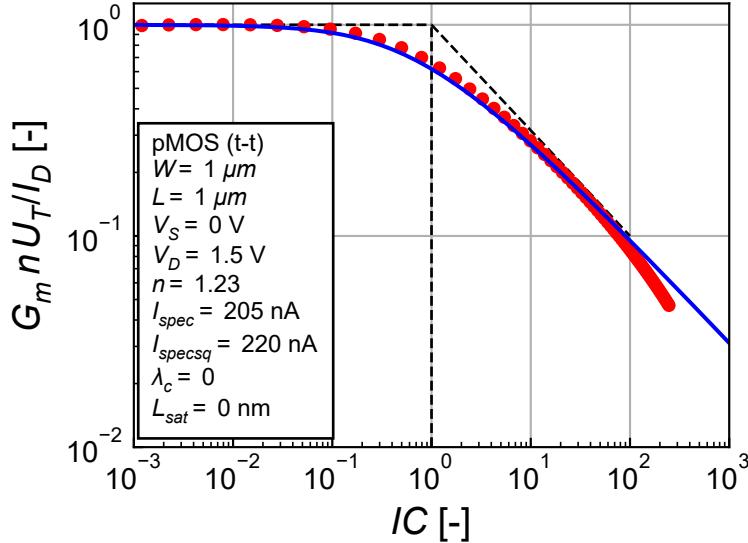
$$n = 1.23$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 220 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec} = 205 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



The fit is now much better in moderate inversion but less in strong inversion. This is due to mobility reduction due to the vertical field an effect that is not accounted for in the model. However, we will keep the new values.

#### 4.1.3.2 Threshold voltage extraction

We can extract the threshold voltage in weak inversion (assuming  $V_S = 0$ ) from the normalized current (inversion coefficient) given by

$$IC = e^{\frac{V_G - V_{T0}}{nU_T}}. \quad (4.3)$$

We can now plot

$$V_{T0} = V_G - nU_T \ln(IC) \quad (4.4)$$

to extract the threshold voltage.

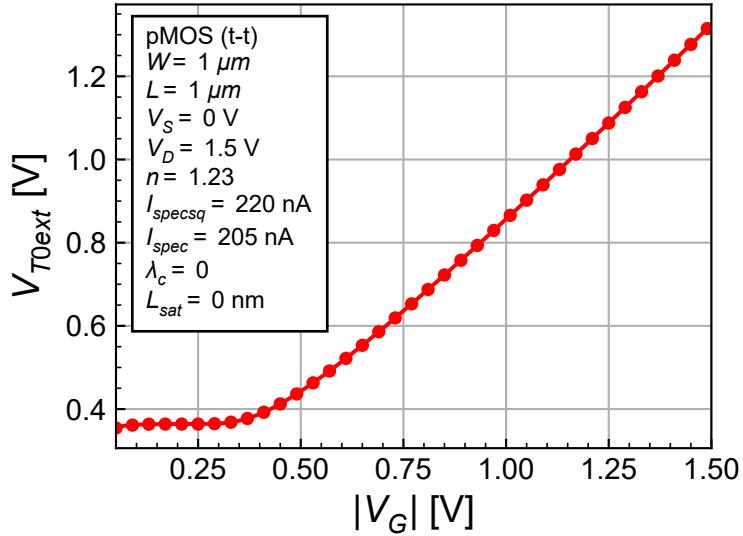
$$n = 1.23$$

$$I_{spec} = 205 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 220 \text{ nA}$$

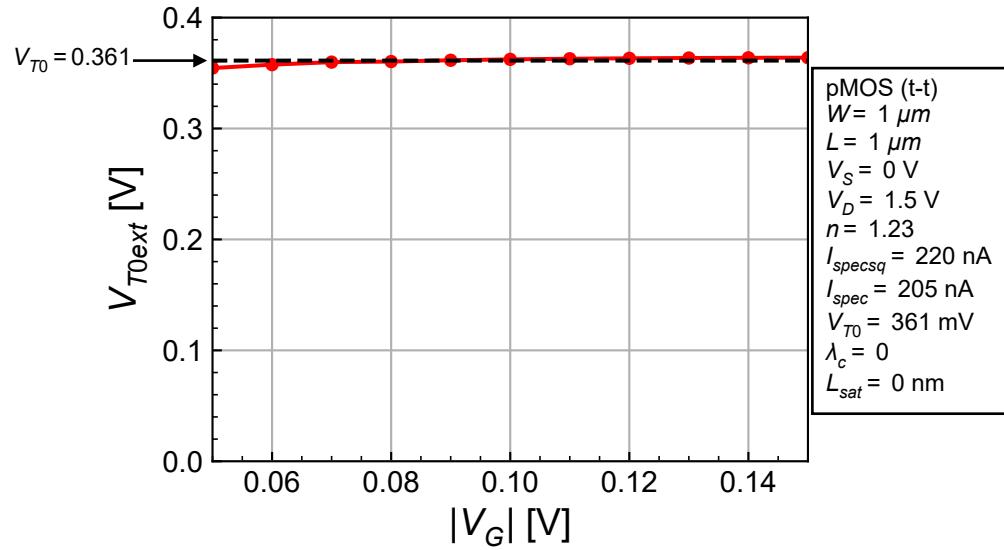
$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



We see a plateau in weak inversion where we can average its value to get the threshold voltage in weak inversion.

$$V_{T0,wi} = 361 \text{ mV}$$



The threshold voltage for this medium device is consistent with the documentation giving a typical-typical  $V_{TH} \cong 350 \text{ mV}$  for  $W = 10 \mu\text{m}$  and  $L = 10 \mu\text{m}$ .

We can now plot the  $I_D$ - $V_G$  for this threshold voltage.

$$n = 1.23$$

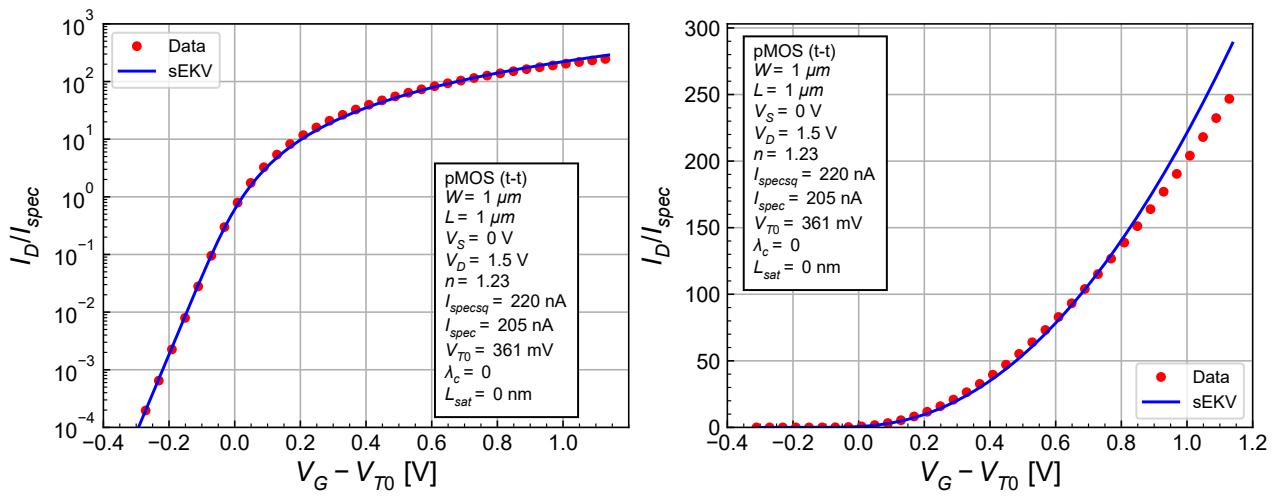
$$I_{spec} = 205 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 220 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$

$$V_{T0,wi} = 361 \text{ mV}$$



We get a reasonable fit with some deviations in strong inversion.

#### 4.1.3.3 Summary

$$n = 1.23$$

$$I_{\text{spec}} = 205 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{\text{spec}\square} = 220 \text{ nA}$$

$$V_{T0,wi} = 361 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{\text{sat}} = 0$$

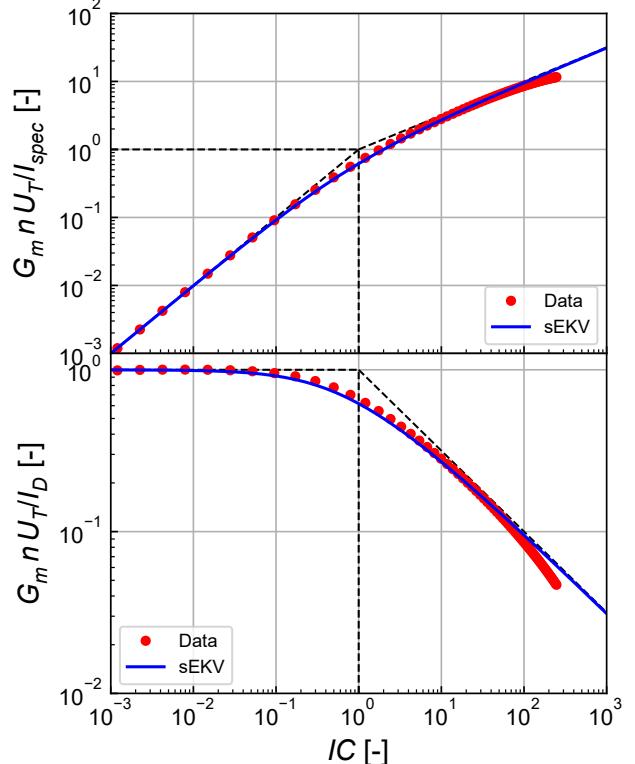
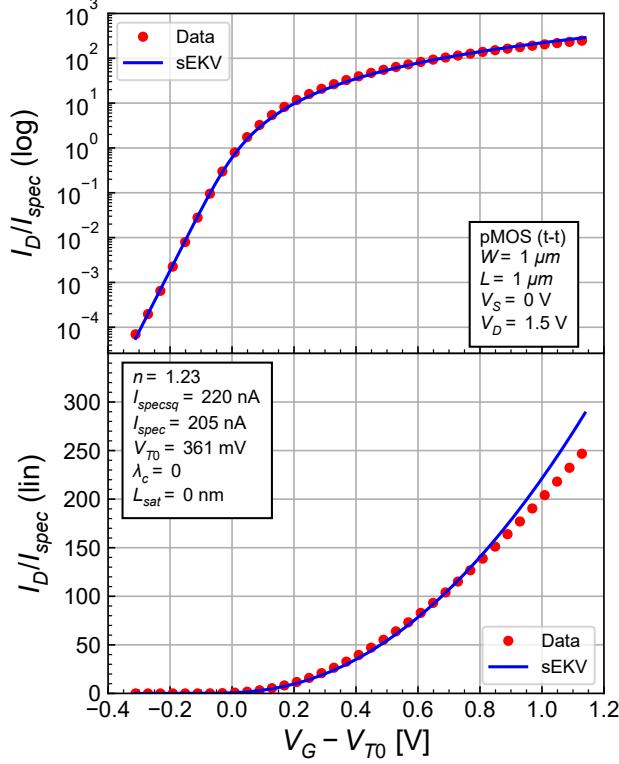


Table 4.1: Direct extraction of the sEKV parameters for the medium-channel transistor

|        | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | n         | Ispecsq   | VT0       | lambdac   | Lsat      |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.800e-07 | 3.568e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.915e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.227e+00 | 2.000e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 6.800e-02 | 6.831e-02 |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.230e+00 | 2.200e-07 | 3.612e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |

#### 4.1.4 Extraction using optimization with $\lambda_c = 0$

##### 4.1.4.1 Slope factor n and $I_{spec}$ extraction

We can try to extract  $n$  and  $I_{spec}$  for a long-channel directly from the normalized  $G_m/I_d$  function.

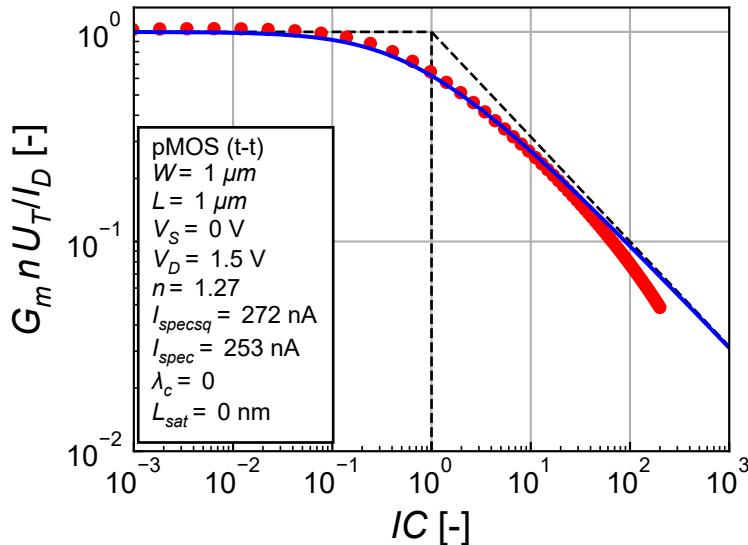
$$n = 1.27$$

$$I_{spec} = 253 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 272 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



We get a reasonable fit a value of  $I_{spec\square}$  that is slightly higher than the direct extraction.

We can also try to keep the value of  $n$  extracted from the direct extraction above and optimize for  $I_{spec}$  only.

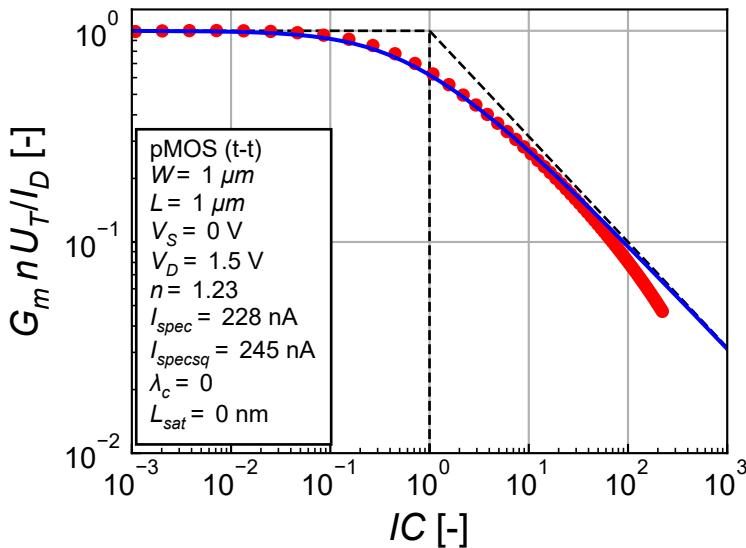
$$n = 1.23$$

$$I_{spec} = 228 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 245 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



The fit is good in weak and moderate inversion, but we still have some discrepancies in strong inversion which is due to mobility reduction due to the vertical field. We will keep the last extracted values for  $I_{specsq}$ .

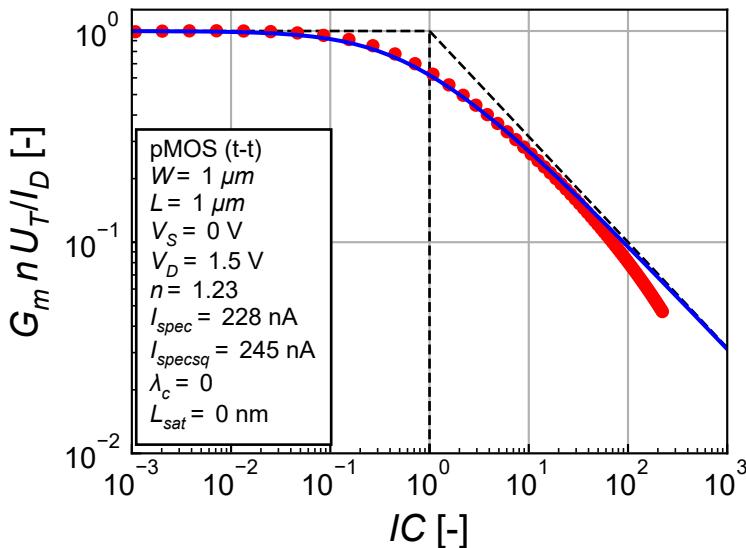
$$n = 1.23$$

$$I_{spec} = 228 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 245 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



#### 4.1.4.2 Threshold voltage extraction

$$n = 1.23$$

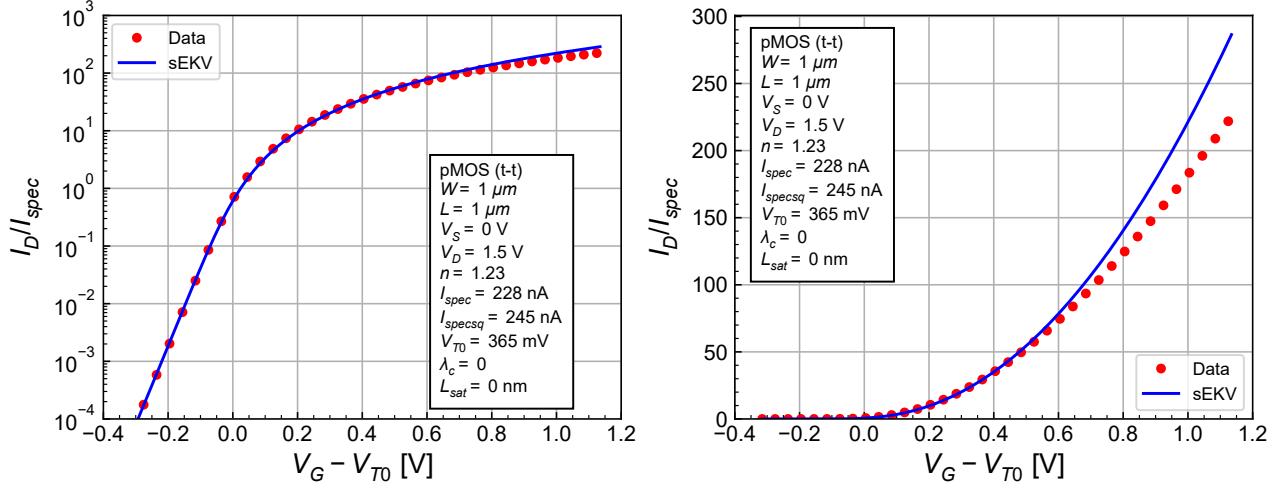
$$I_{spec} = 228 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 245 \text{ nA}$$

$$V_{T0} = 365 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



We see a reasonable fit except in strong inversion. This is expected since we optimized the moderate inversion region.

#### 4.1.4.3 Summary

$$n = 1.23$$

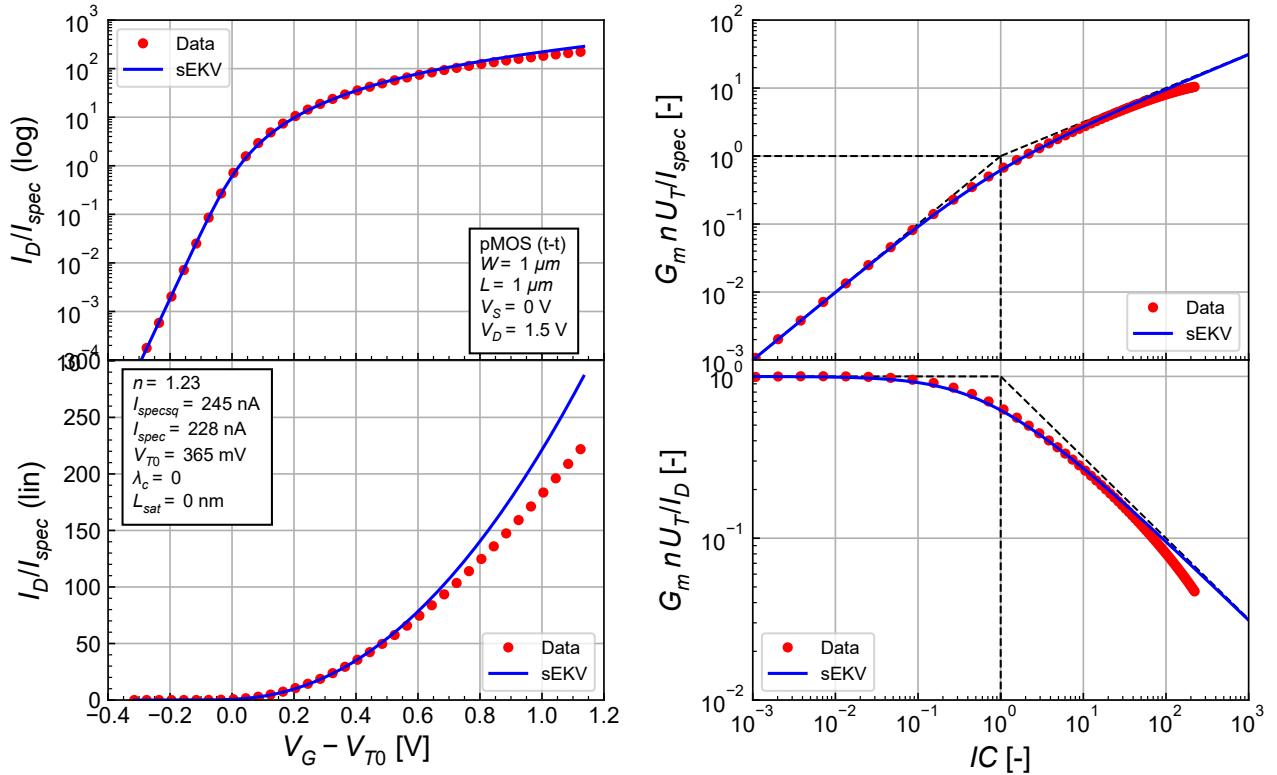
$$I_{spec} = 228 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 245 \text{ nA}$$

$$V_{T0} = 365 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



The extraction using curve-fitting gives a better fit in moderate inversion but less in strong inversion.

Table 4.2: Extraction of the sEKV parameters by optimization for the medium-channel transistors with  $\lambda_c = 0$ .

|        | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | n         | Ispecsq   | VT0       | lambdac   | Lsat      |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.800e-07 | 3.568e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.915e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.227e+00 | 2.000e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 6.800e-02 | 6.831e-02 |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.230e+00 | 2.200e-07 | 3.612e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.230e+00 | 2.446e-07 | 3.655e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |

#### 4.1.5 Extraction using optimization with $\lambda_c > 0$

We start extracting  $n$ ,  $I_{spec}$  and  $\lambda_c$  using curve fitting on  $G_m / I_D$ .

$$n = 1.28$$

$$I_{spec} = 293 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 293 \text{ nA}$$

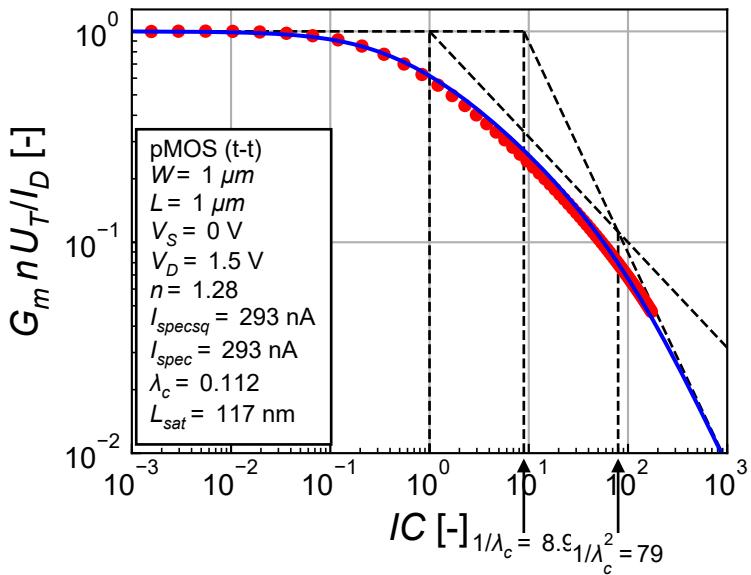
$$V_{T0} = 365 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 117$$

$$1/\lambda_c = 9$$

$$1/\lambda_c^2 = 79$$



We now have a good fit in strong inversion that we can still improve by slightly reducing the value of  $I_{specsq}$ , which seems too high and  $\lambda_c$ .

$$n = 1.28$$

$$I_{spec} = 242 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 260 \text{ nA}$$

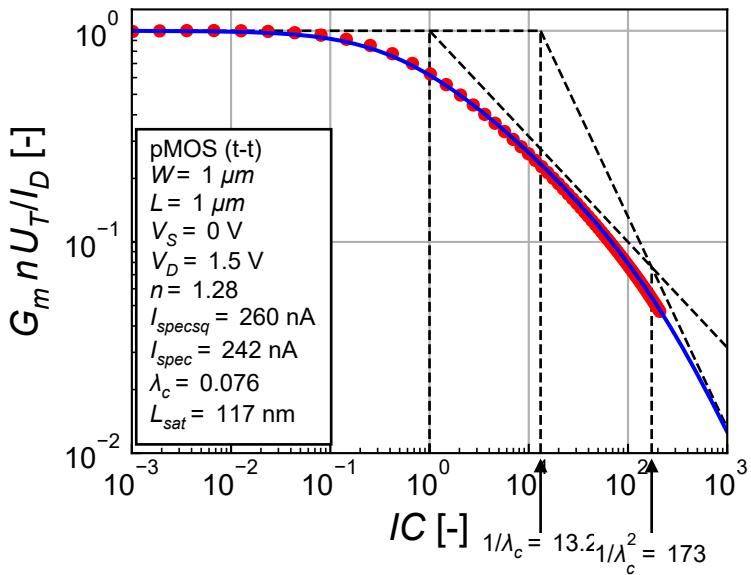
$$V_{T0} = 365 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.076$$

$$L_{sat} = 117$$

$$1/\lambda_c = 13$$

$$1/\lambda_c^2 = 173$$



We now have an almost perfect fit.

#### 4.1.5.1 Summary

We can now check the large and small-signal characteristics.

$$n = 1.28$$

$$I_{spec} = 242 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 260 \text{ nA}$$

$$V_{T0} = 365 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.076$$

$$L_{sat} = 117$$

$$1/\lambda_c = 13$$

$$1/\lambda_c^2 = 173$$

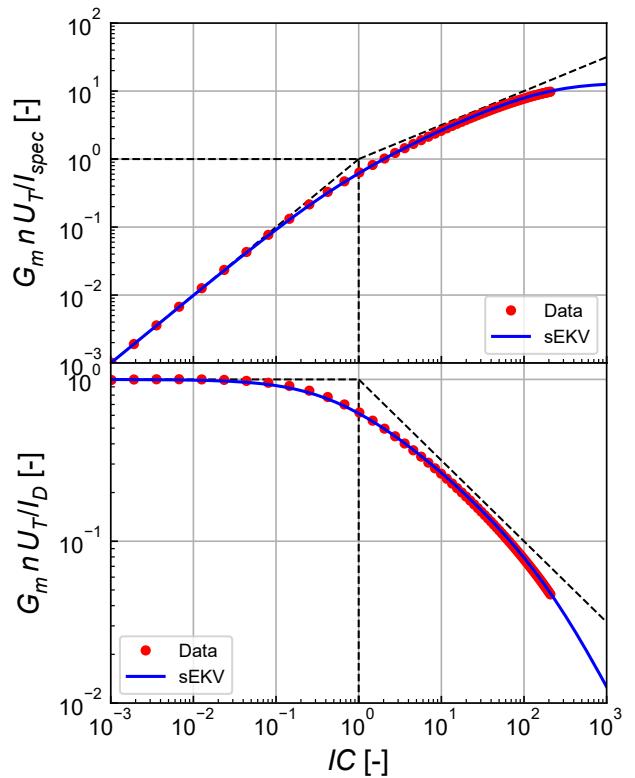
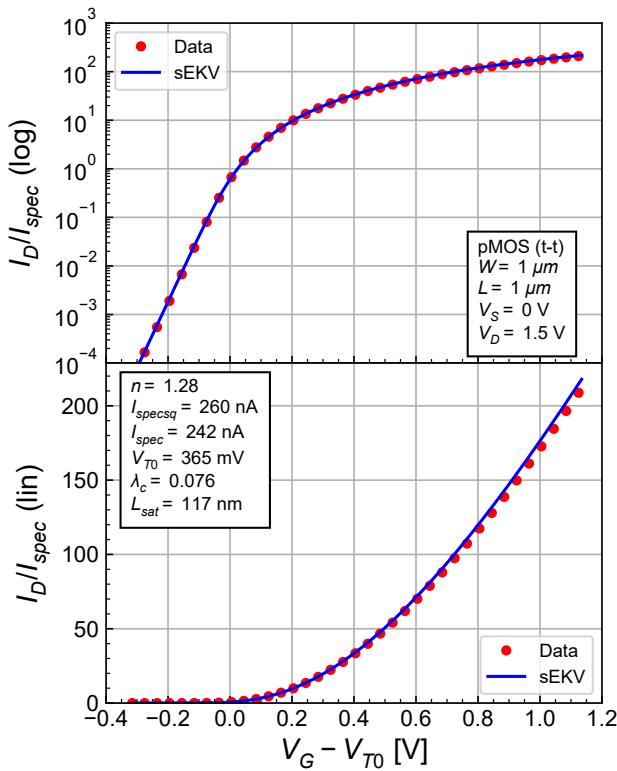


Table 4.3: Extraction of the sEKV parameters by optimization for the medium-channel transistors ( $\lambda_c > 0$ ).

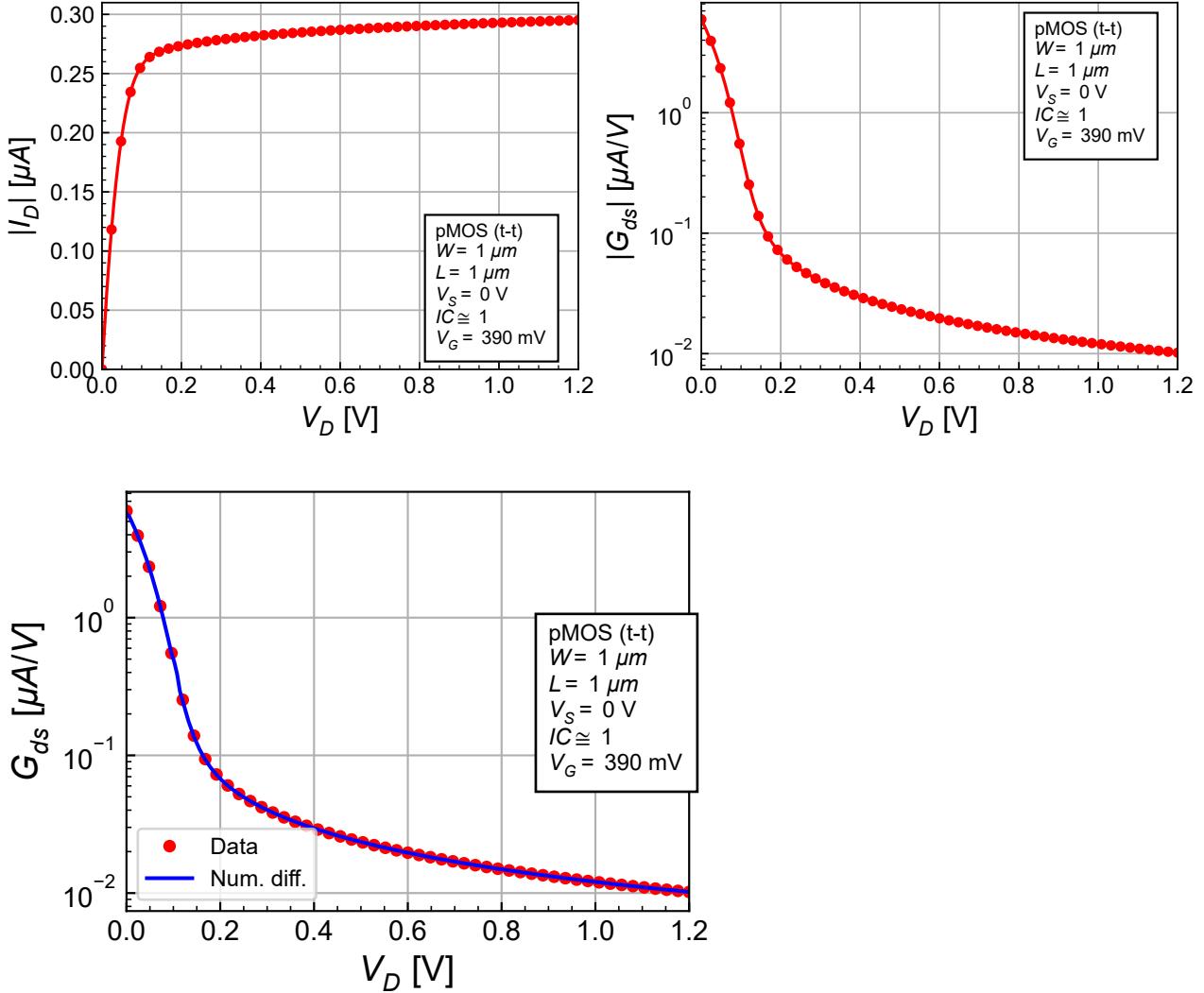
|        | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | n         | Ispecsq   | VT0       | lambdac   | Lsat      |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.800e-07 | 3.568e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.915e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.227e+00 | 2.000e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 6.800e-02 | 6.831e-02 |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.230e+00 | 2.200e-07 | 3.612e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.230e+00 | 2.446e-07 | 3.655e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e+00 |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.277e+00 | 2.600e-07 | 3.655e-01 | 7.600e-02 | 1.170e-01 |

## 4.2 Output characteristic

### 4.2.1 Generating the data

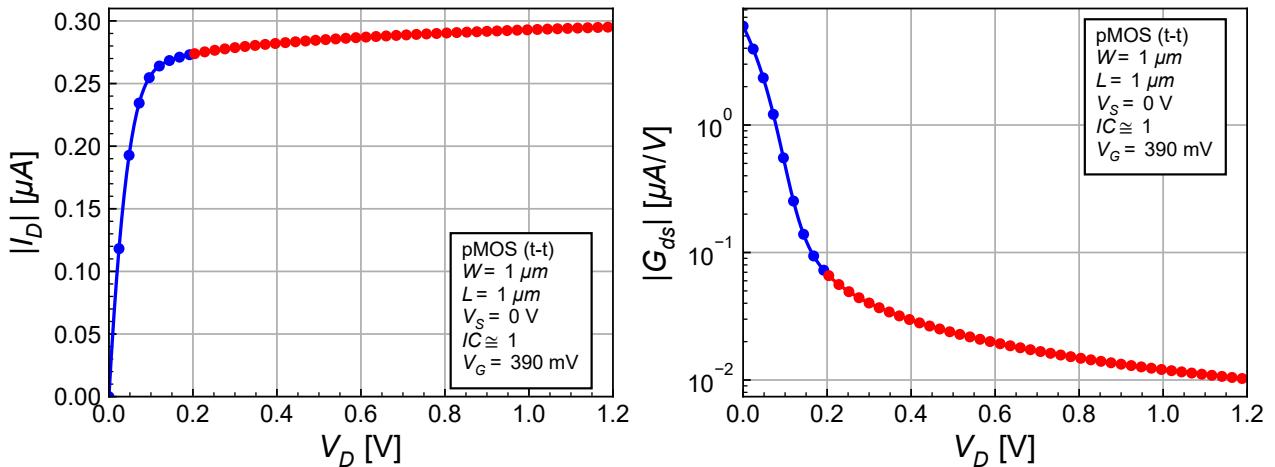
### 4.2.2 Importing and plotting the data

#### 4.2.2.1 $I_D$ and $G_{ds}$ versus $V_D$



The output conductance calculated by differentiating the large-signal  $I_D$ - $V_D$  matches the value extracted from the PSP model. We will keep the value from PSP.

#### 4.2.2.2 Filtering the outliers



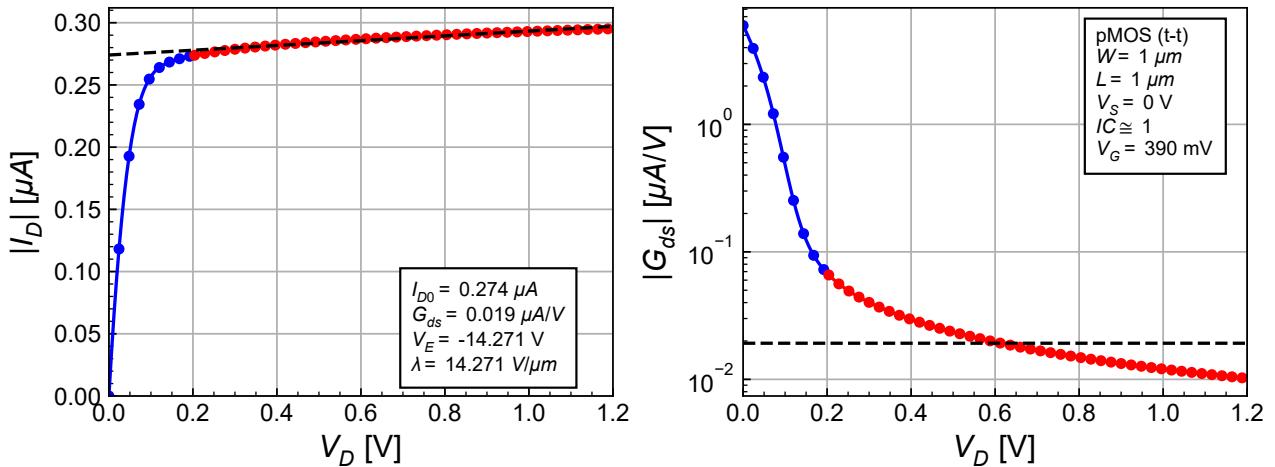
#### 4.2.3 Extracting the CLM parameter

$$G_{ds} = 0.019 \mu A/V$$

$$I_{D0} = 0.274 \mu A$$

$$V_E = -14.271 V$$

$$\lambda = 14.271 V/\mu m$$



We get a smaller output conductance than what we got for the nMOS transistor.

Table 4.4: CLM parameters extracted for the medium-channel transistor in moderate inversion.

|        | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | IC | Gds       | ID0       | VE         | lambda    | ... |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----|
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1  | 4.623e-09 | 2.810e-07 | -6.078e+01 | 6.078e+06 |     |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1  | 1.920e-08 | 2.741e-07 | -1.427e+01 | 1.427e+07 |     |

## 4.3 Noise

In this section we will extract the flicker noise parameters to be used with sEKV and check the white noise power spectral density (PSD). We reuse the flicker noise model from EKV 2.6, where the input (gate) referred PSD is given by

$$S_{nin,fl}(f) = \frac{KF}{W_{eff} L_{eff} C_{ox} f^{AF}} \quad (4.5)$$

In this model the flicker noise is assumed to scale as  $1/C_{ox}$ , which is correct if the noise follows the Hooge model (i.e. originates from mobility fluctuations). In the case of the Mc Worther model (i.e. flicker noise originating from traps in Si-SiO<sub>2</sub> interface and in the oxyde), the PSD scales as  $C_{ox}^2$ . Despit the flicker noise is usually domanted by the trapping mechanism, we will keep the above model with a  $1/C_{ox}$  scaling.

In EKV , we like to rewrite the flicker noise PSD like the thermal noise in terms of a input-referred noise resistance

$$S_{nin,fl}(f) = 4kT R_{nin,fl}(f) \quad (4.6)$$

where

$$R_{nin,fl}(f) = \frac{\rho}{W_{eff} L_{eff} f^{AF}} \quad (4.7)$$

with

$$\rho = \frac{KF}{4kT C_{ox}} \quad (4.8)$$

Note that the flicker noise parameter have some weird units. Indeed,  $KF$  is in  $A \cdot V \cdot s^{2-AF}$  and  $\rho$  is in  $V \cdot m^2/(A \cdot s^{AF})$ . If  $AF = 1$ , like it is often the case, then  $KF$  is in  $A \cdot V \cdot s$  and  $\rho$  is in  $V \cdot m^2/(A \cdot s)$ .

To extract the noise parameters, we use a common-source stage loaded by a noiseless resistor. We first will set the bias condition in terms of  $IC$  and calculate the input-referred white noise to compare it to the result obtained from the PSP simulations.

### 4.3.1 Setting bias conditions

Having extracted  $n$ ,  $I_{spec\square}$  and  $V_{T0}$ , we can impose the inversion coefficient and calculate the corresponding gate voltage  $V_G$ . We nee to make sure the transistor remains in saturation.

$$W = 1 \mu m$$

$$L = 1 \mu m$$

$$IC = 1$$

$$I_D = 0.228 \mu A$$

$$V_G = 0.390 V$$

$$V_S = 0.000 V$$

$$G_m = 4.420 \mu A/V$$

$$\gamma_n = 0.693$$

$$R_{n,th} = 156.871 \text{ } k\Omega$$

$$S_{n,th} = 2.600\text{e-}15 \text{ } V^2/\text{Hz}$$

$$V_{n,th} = 50.993 \text{ } nV/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$$

$$A_v = 10$$

$$R_L = 2262.662 \text{ } k\Omega$$

$$V_{DD} = 1.500 \text{ } V$$

$$V_{RL} = 0.515 \text{ } V$$

$$V_{DS} = 0.985 \text{ } V$$

$$V_{DSsat} = 0.116 \text{ } V$$

The transistor is biased in the saturation region

#### 4.3.2 Extract operating point information

We can extract the values of the PSP noise parameters from the operating point informations.

$$V_{n,th} = 67.321 \text{ } nV/\sqrt{\text{Hz}} \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$f_k = 118.436 \text{ } kHz \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$KF = 8.371\text{e-}24 \text{ } VAs \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$\rho = 0.033 \text{ } Vm^2/(As) \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$AF = 1.000 \text{ (PSP)}$$

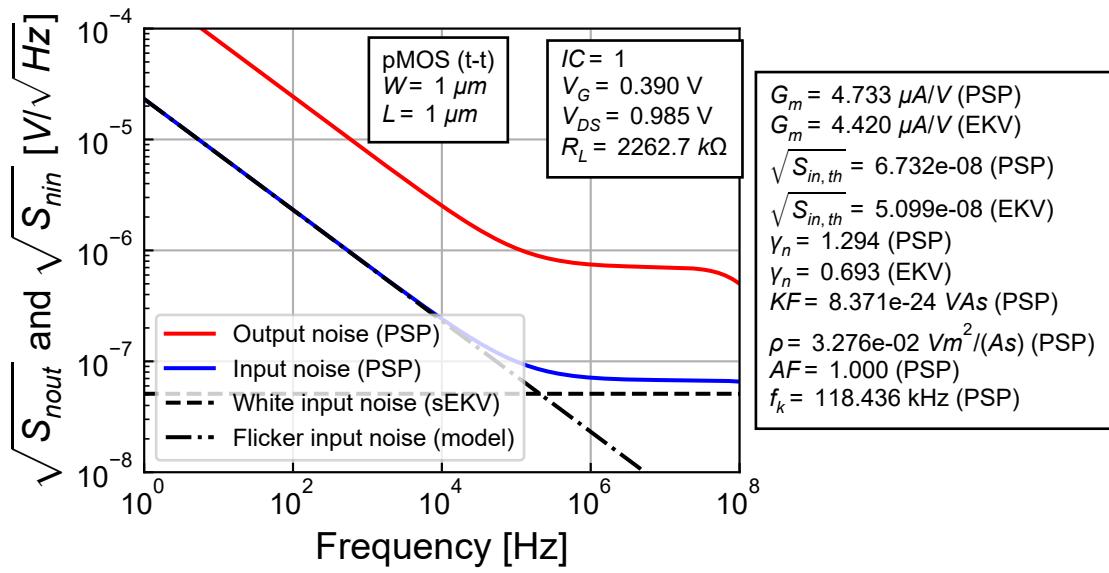
$$R_{n,th} = 273.415 \text{ } k\Omega \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$\gamma_n = 1.294 \text{ (PSP)}$$

|    | Weff      | Leff      | IDS       | Gm        | Gds       | Snidth    | Vninth    | Snidfl @ 1Hz | Vninf @ 1Hz |
|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-------------|
| Mp | 9.700e-07 | 1.043e-06 | 2.417e-07 | 4.733e-06 | 1.020e-08 | 1.015e-25 | 6.732e-08 | 1.203e-20    | 7.326e-07   |

#### 4.3.3 Simulating noise PSD

We can now simulate the PSD and check against the EKV model.



The flicker noise parameters are given by

Table 4.6: Extraction of the noise parameters for the medium-channel transistor.

|        | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | IC | KF        | AF        | rho       | Comment  |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1  | 8.726e-24 | 1.000e+00 | 3.416e-02 | moderate |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1  | 8.371e-24 | 1.000e+00 | 3.276e-02 | moderate |

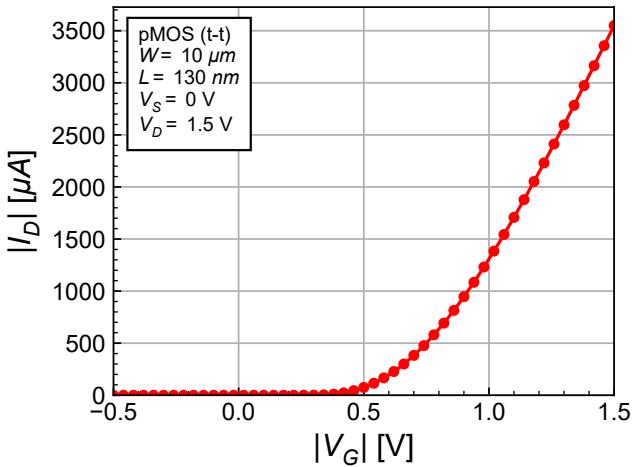
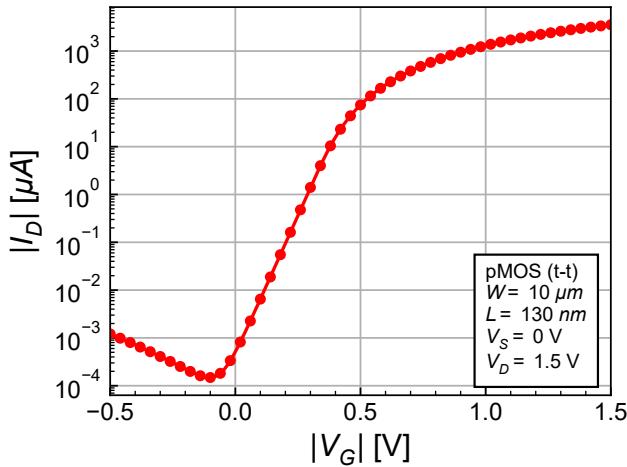
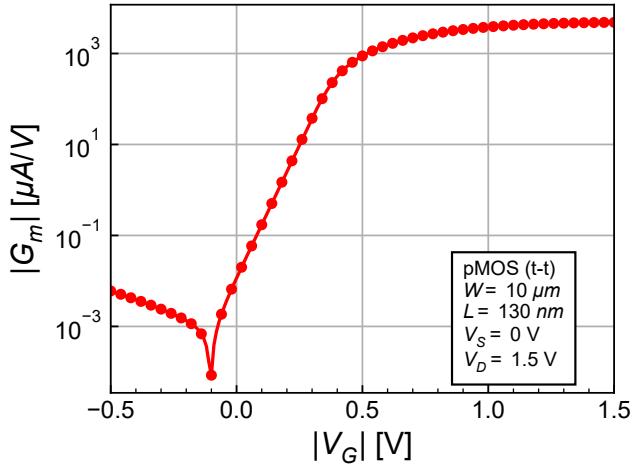
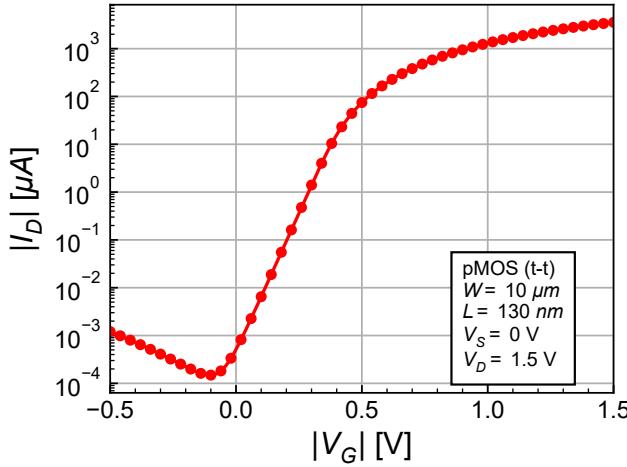
# 5 Short-channel parameters

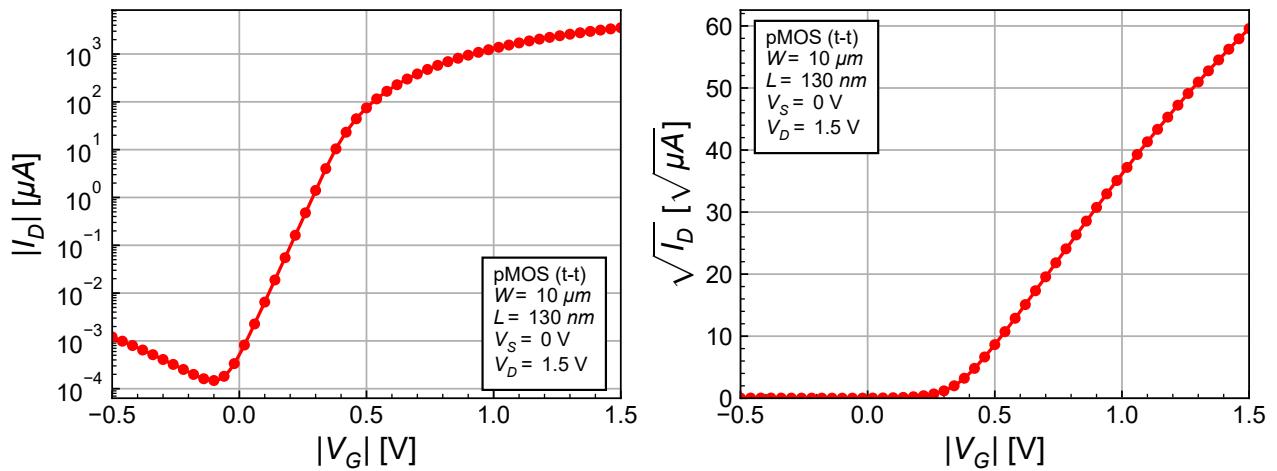
## 5.1 DC Transfer Characteristic Parameters

### 5.1.1 Generating the data

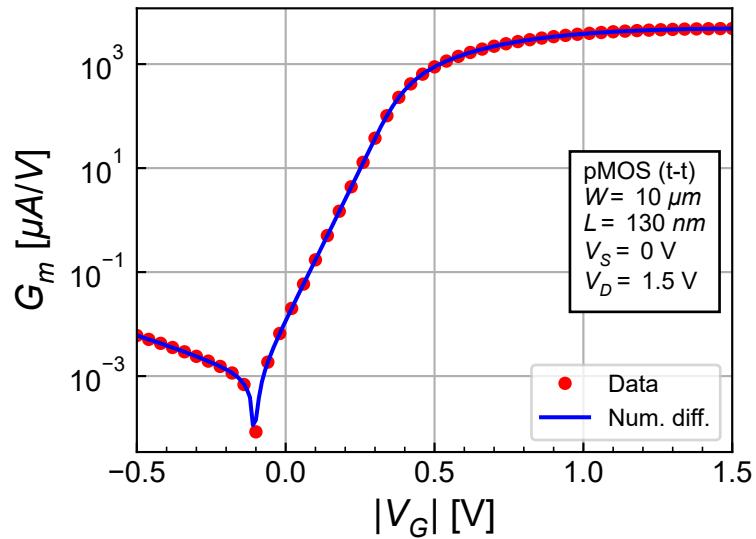
### 5.1.2 Importing and plotting the data

#### 5.1.2.1 $I_D$ and $G_m$ versus $V_G$



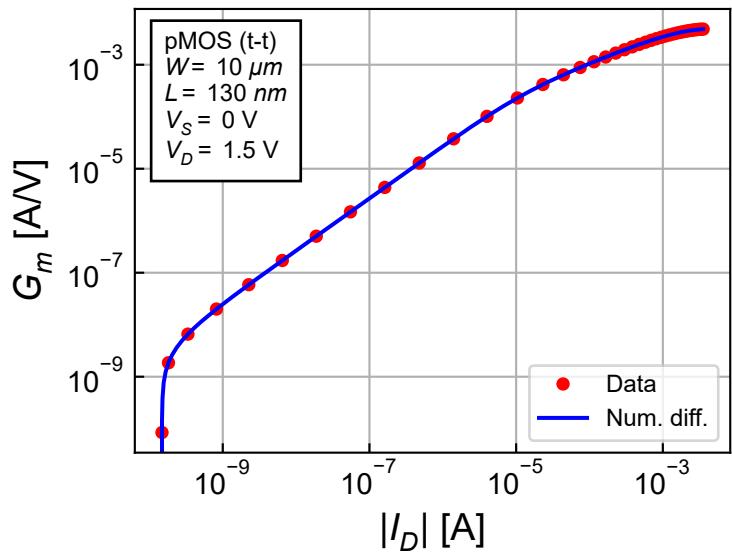


### 5.1.2.2 $G_m$ - $V_G$

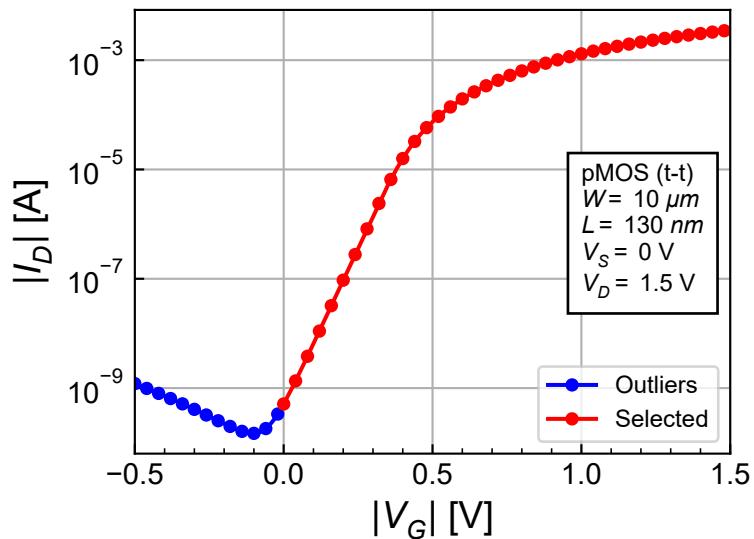


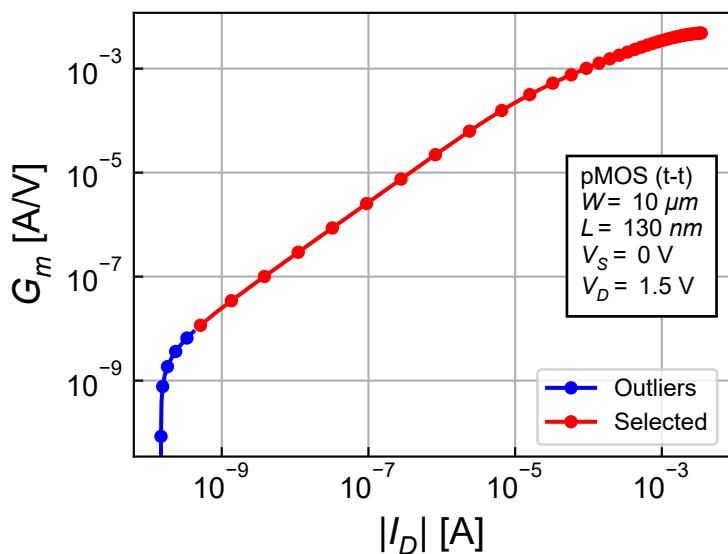
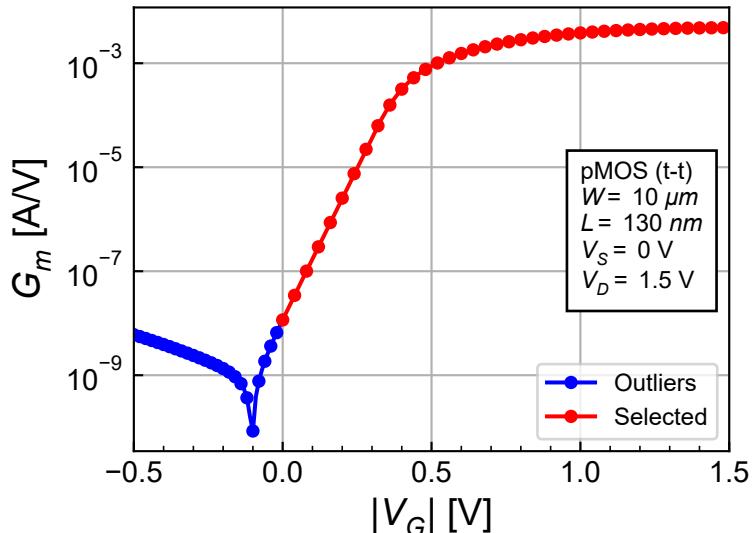
We see that the transconductance obtained by differentiating the large-signal  $I_D$ - $V_G$  characteristic is equal to the transconductance extracted from the PSP model. We will keep the value extracted from the PSP model.

### 5.1.2.3 $G_m$ - $I_D$



### 5.1.2.4 Filtering the outliers





## 5.2 Direct extraction with $\lambda_c = 0$

### 5.2.1 Slope factor $n$ and $I_{spec}$ extraction

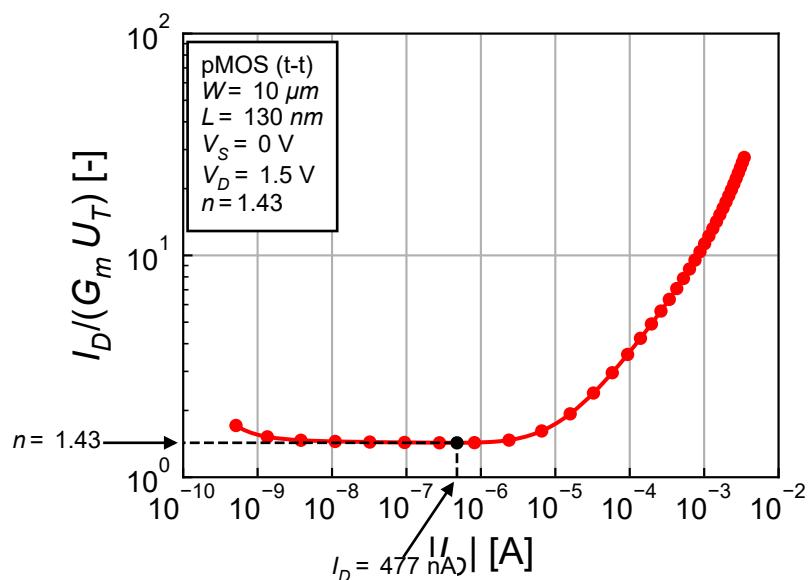
The gate transconductance in weak inversion and saturation is given by

$$G_m = \frac{I_D}{n U_T}. \quad (5.1)$$

So if we plot  $I_D/(G_m U_T)$  we should see a plateau in weak inversion the value of which is equal to the slope factor  $n$ .

$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{D,ext} = 477.12 \text{ nA}$$



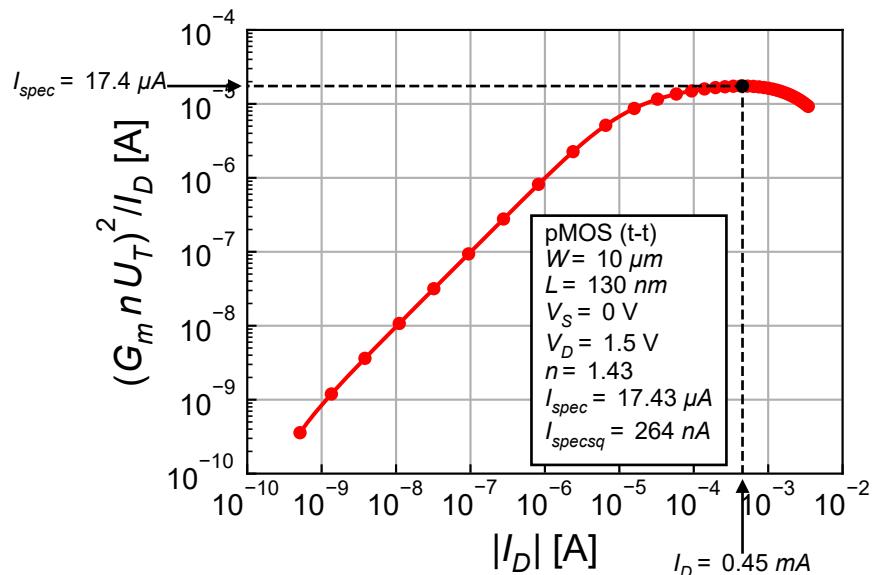
$$W_{eff} = 9.970 \mu m$$

$$L_{eff} = 150.802 nm$$

$$I_{spec} = 17.428 \mu A$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 264 nA$$

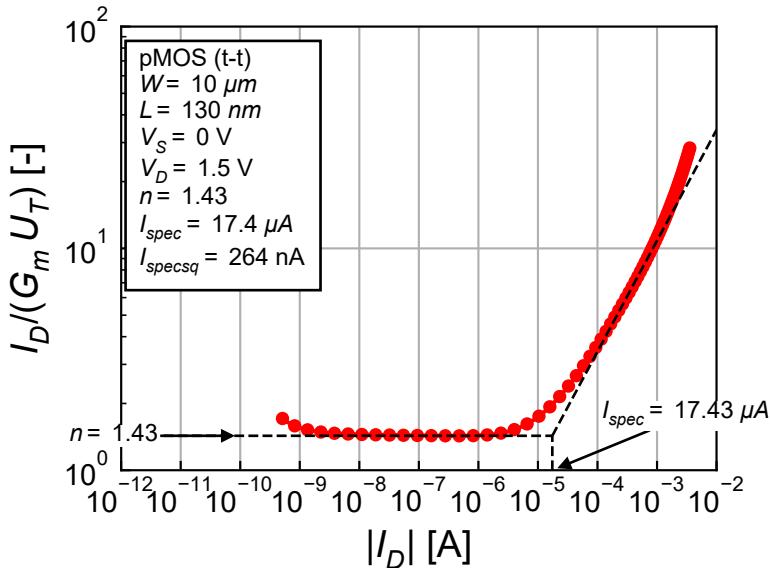
$$I_{D,ext} = 0.452 mA$$



$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{spec} = 17.428 \mu A$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 264 nA$$



Having extracted  $n$  and  $I_{spec}$ , we can now plot the normalized  $G_m/I_D$  function.

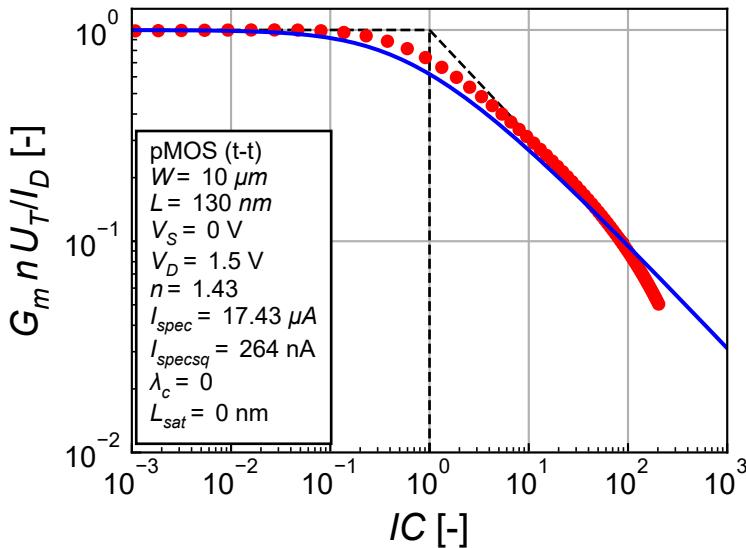
$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{spec} = 17 \mu\text{A}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 264 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



The fit is reasonable over the entire  $IC$  span. There is a strange bump in the moderate inversion which comes from the simulation data. There is some discrepancy in the moderate inversion region which is due to the mobility reduction due to the vertical field appearing for  $IC > 10^2$ . The latter can be accounted for by using the  $\lambda_c$  parameter which is normally used for modeling the effect of velocity saturation in short-channel transistor but can also be used to correct the effect of mobility reduction due to the vertical field appearing in long-channel transistors. We will not do this here since we want to extract the long-channel parameters keeping  $\lambda_c = 0$ , but since we are mostly interested in the moderate inversion region, we can slightly increase  $I_{spec}$  to improve the fit in moderate inversion at the cost of a degradation in strong inversion.

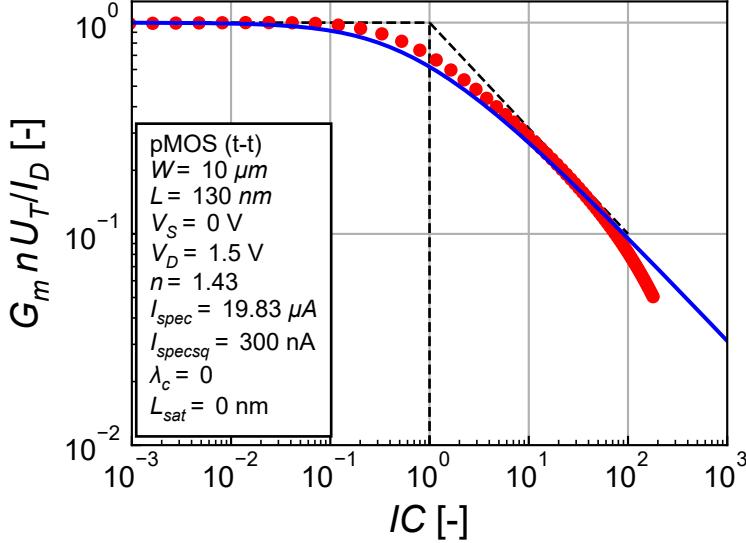
$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{spec} = 20 \mu A$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 300 nA$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



The fit is now better in moderate inversion but less in strong inversion. This is due to mobility reduction due to the vertical field an effect that is not accounted for in the model. However, we will keep the new values since it is a good trade-off between moderate and strong inversion.

### 5.2.2 Threshold voltage extraction

We can extract the threshold voltage in weak inversion (assuming  $V_S = 0$ ) from the normalized current (inversion coefficient) given by

$$IC = e^{\frac{V_G - V_{T0}}{nU_T}}. \quad (5.2)$$

We can now plot

$$V_{T0} = V_G - nU_T \ln(IC) \quad (5.3)$$

to extract the threshold voltage.

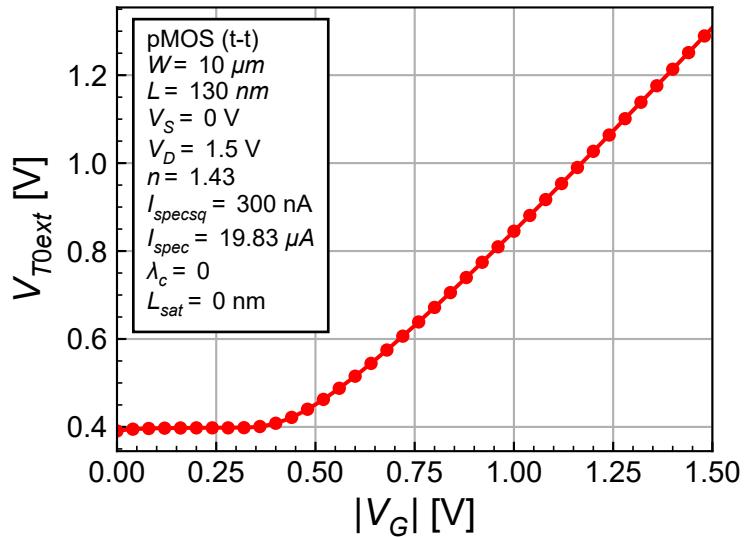
$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{spec} = 20 \mu A$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 300 nA$$

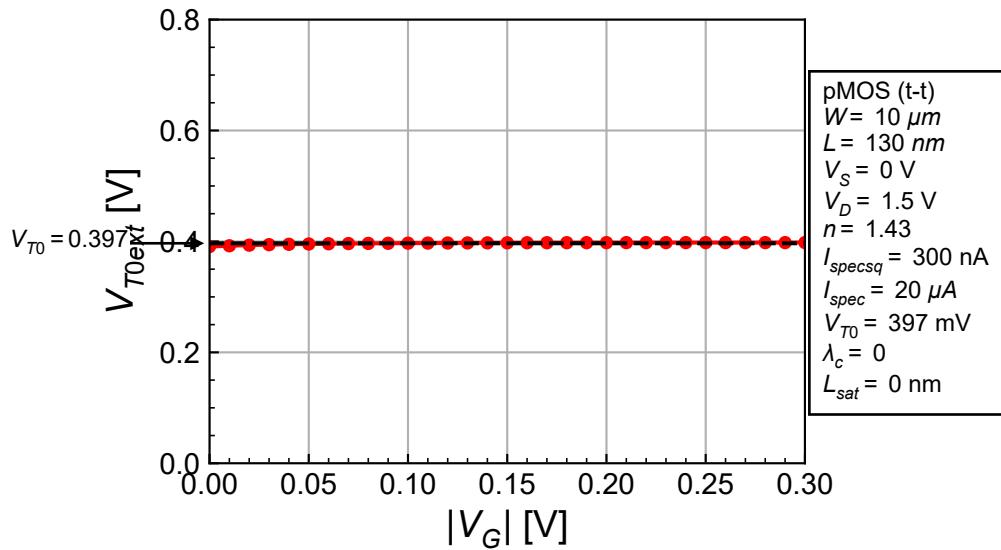
$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



We see a plateau in weak inversion where we can average its value to get the threshold voltage in weak inversion.

$$V_{T0,wi} = 397 \text{ mV}$$



The threshold voltage for this wide and short device is smaller than what is given in the documentation giving a typical-typical  $V_{TH} \cong 500 \text{ mV}$  for  $W = 10 \mu m$  and  $L = 130 \text{ nm}$ .

We can now plot the  $I_D$ - $V_G$  for this threshold voltage.

$$n = 1.43$$

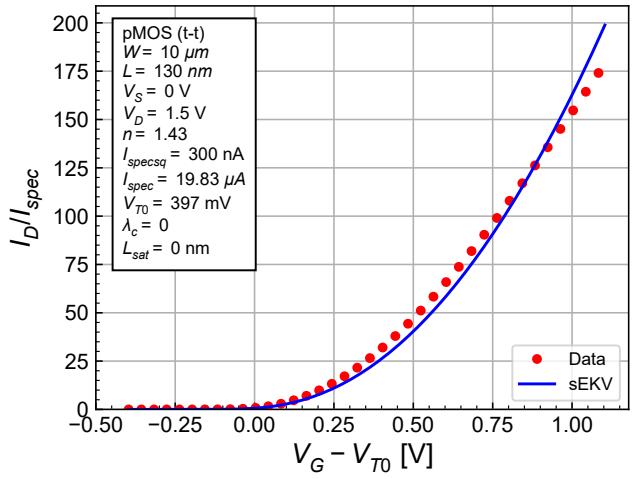
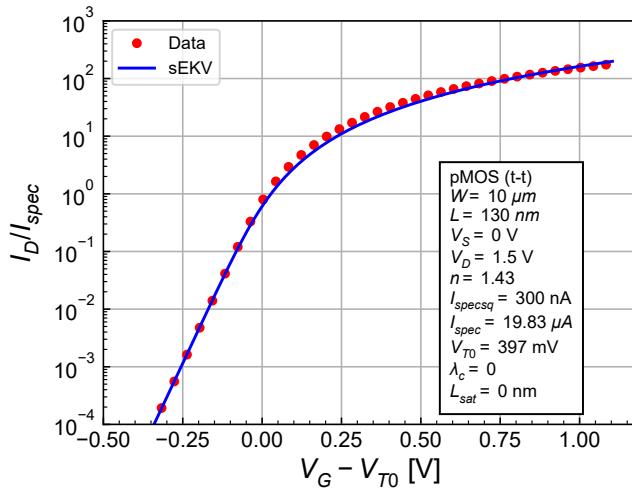
$$I_{spec} = 19834 \text{ nA}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 300 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$

$$V_{T0} = 397 \text{ mV}$$



We get a reasonable fit across all regions.

### 5.2.3 Summary

$$n = 1.43$$

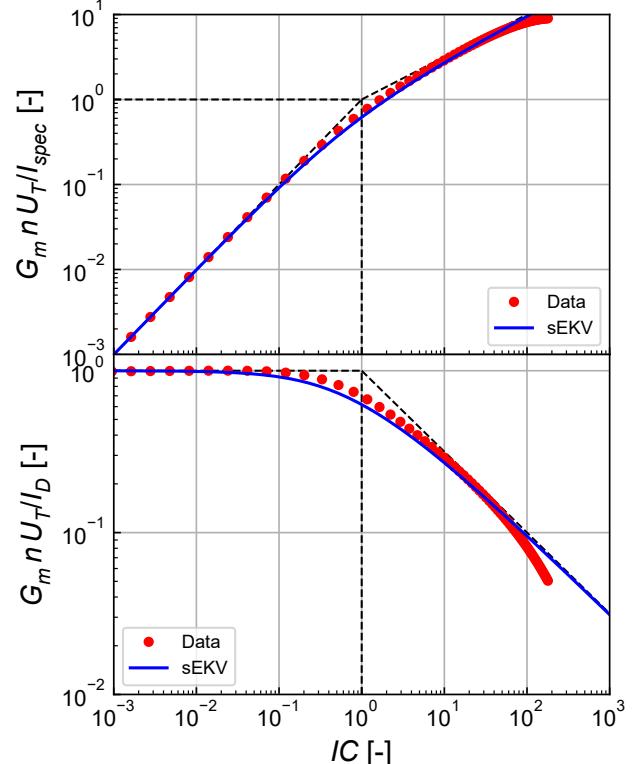
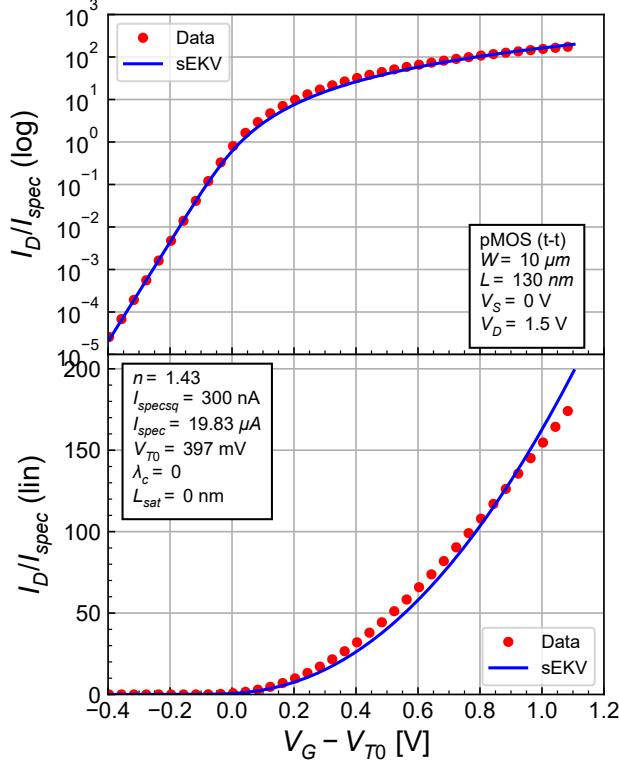
$$I_{spec} = 19834 nA$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 300 nA$$

$$V_{T0} = 397 mV$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$L_{sat} = 0$$



The fit is reasonable for the short-channel transistor accounting for the fact that  $\lambda_c = 0$ .

## 5.2.4 Direct extraction with $\lambda_c > 0$

### 5.2.4.1 Slope factor $n$ extraction

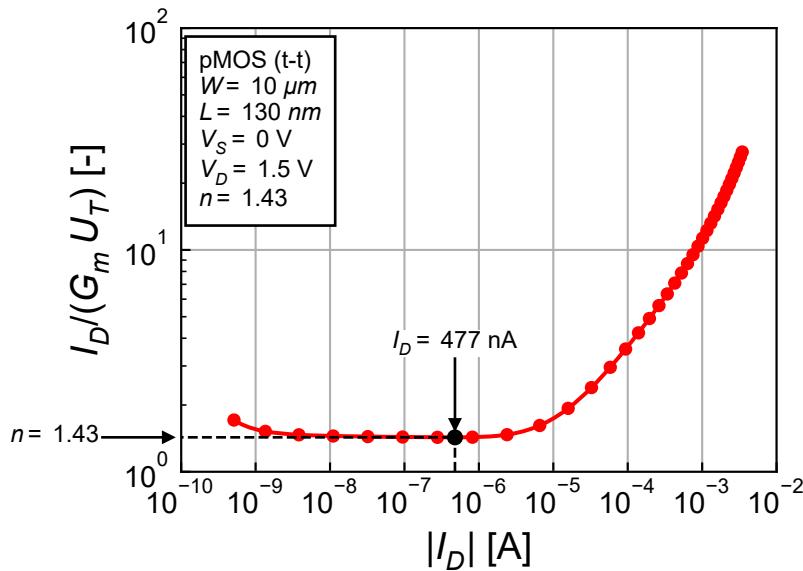
The gate transconductance in weak inversion and saturation is given by

$$G_m = \frac{I_D}{n U_T}. \quad (5.4)$$

So if we plot  $I_D/(G_m U_T)$  we should see a plateau in weak inversion the value of which is equal to the slope factor  $n$ .

$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{D,ext} = 477.12 \text{ nA}$$



### 5.2.4.2 Specific current $I_{spec}$ extraction

On the other hand the normalized  $G_m/I_D$  function for a long-channel transistor in strong inversion and saturation is given by

$$\frac{G_m n U_T}{I_D} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{IC}} = \sqrt{\frac{I_{spec}}{I_D}}. \quad (5.5)$$

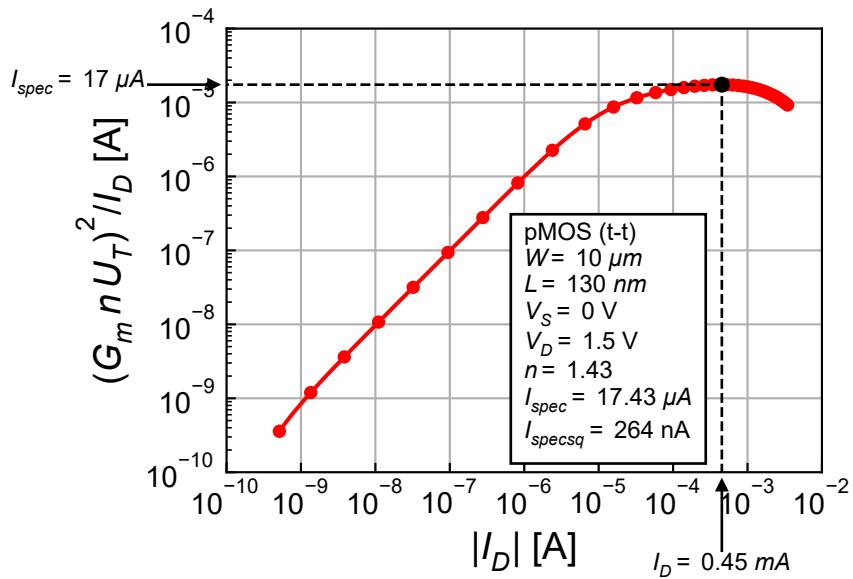
We can then plot  $(G_m n U_T)^2/I_D$  which should find a maximum value equal to  $I_{spec}$ .

$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{spec} = 17.428 \mu A$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 264 \text{ nA}$$

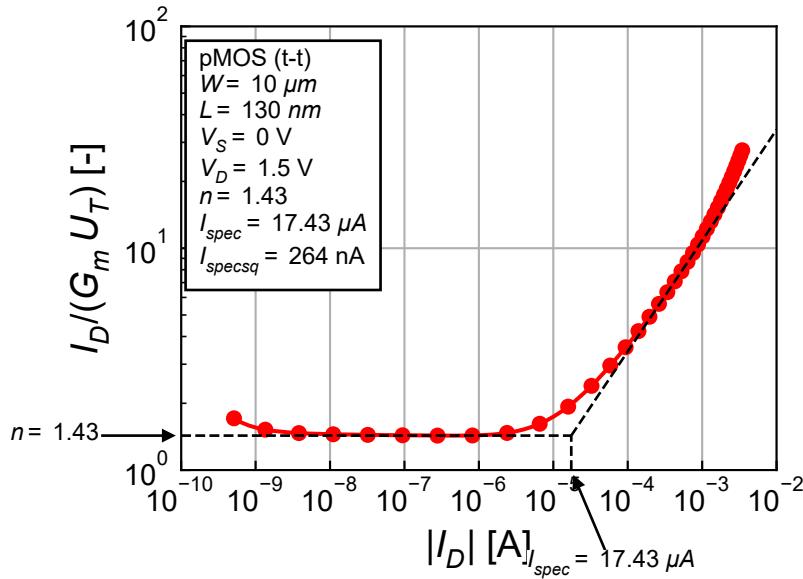
$$I_{D,ext} = 0.452 \text{ mA}$$



$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{spec} = 17 \mu\text{A}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 264 \text{ nA}$$



#### 5.2.4.3 Velocity saturation parameter $\lambda_c$ extraction

We can extract  $\lambda_c$  by looking at the asymptote in very strong inversion. For a short-channel transistor in strong inversion and saturation, the normalized  $G_m/I_D$  is given by

$$\frac{G_m n U_T}{I_D} = \frac{1}{\lambda_c IC} = \frac{I_{spec}}{\lambda_c I_D}. \quad (5.6)$$

So if we plot  $I_{spec}/(G_m n U_T)$  it will have a minimum at  $\lambda_c$ .

$$n = 1.43$$

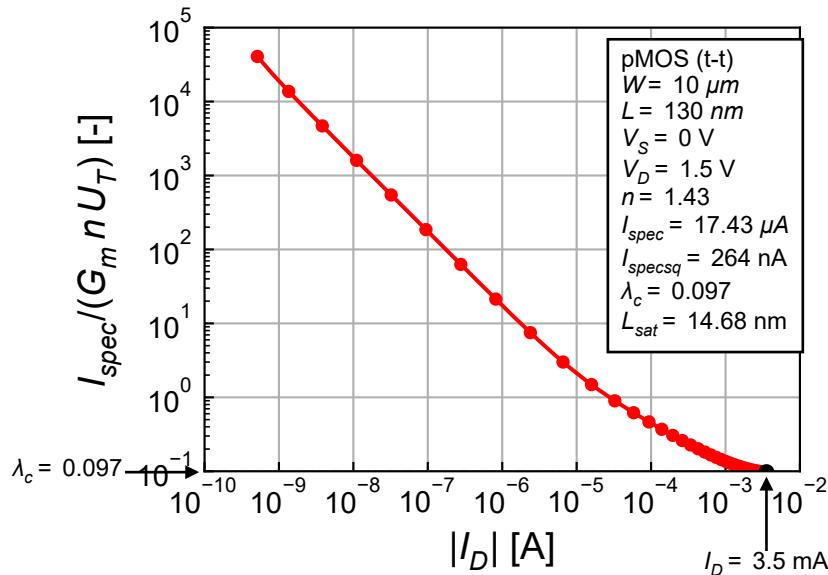
$$I_{spec} = 17.428 \mu\text{A}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 264 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.097$$

$$L_{sat} = 14.681 \text{ nm}$$

$$I_{D,ext} = 3.550 \text{ mA}$$



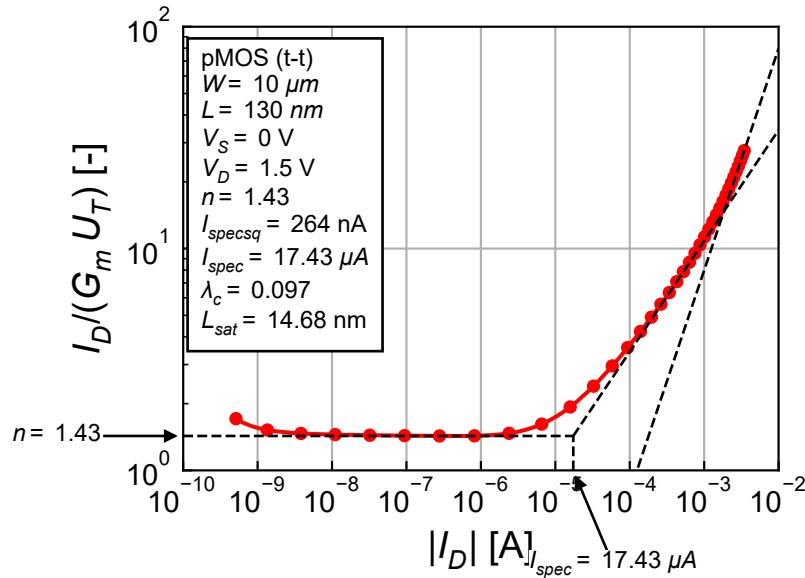
$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{spec} = 17.428 \mu\text{A}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 264 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.097$$

$$L_{sat} = 14.681 \text{ nm}$$



We can now check the normalized  $G_m/I_D$  characteristic.

$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{spec} = 17428 \text{ nA}$$

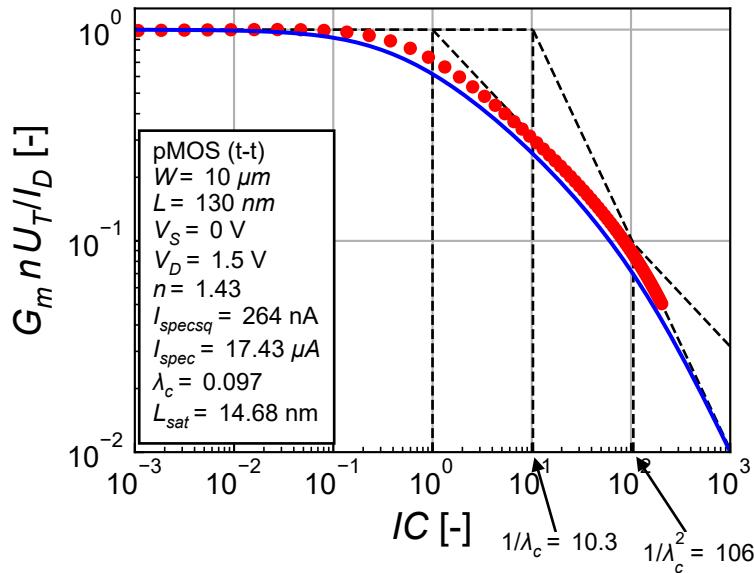
$$I_{spec\square} = 264 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.097$$

$$1/\lambda_c = 10.27$$

$$1/\lambda_c^2 = 106$$

$$L_{sat} = 14.681 \text{ nm}$$



The fit is not good. There is an offset with  $IC$ . We can increase the value of  $I_{\text{spec}\square}$  to shift the curve to the right.

$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{\text{spec}} = 26 \mu\text{A}$$

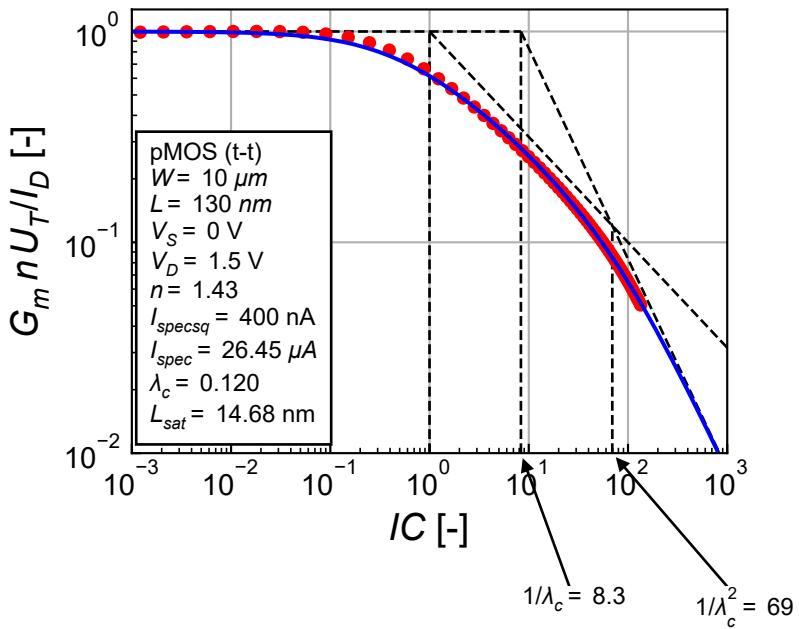
$$I_{\text{spec}\square} = 400 \text{ nA}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0$$

$$1/\lambda_c = 8.33$$

$$1/\lambda_c^2 = 69$$

$$L_{sat} = 14.681 \text{ nm}$$



The fit is now much better, offering a good trade-off between moderate and strong inversion.

#### 5.2.4.4 Threshold voltage extraction

$$n = 1.43$$

$$I_{spec} = 26.445 \mu A$$

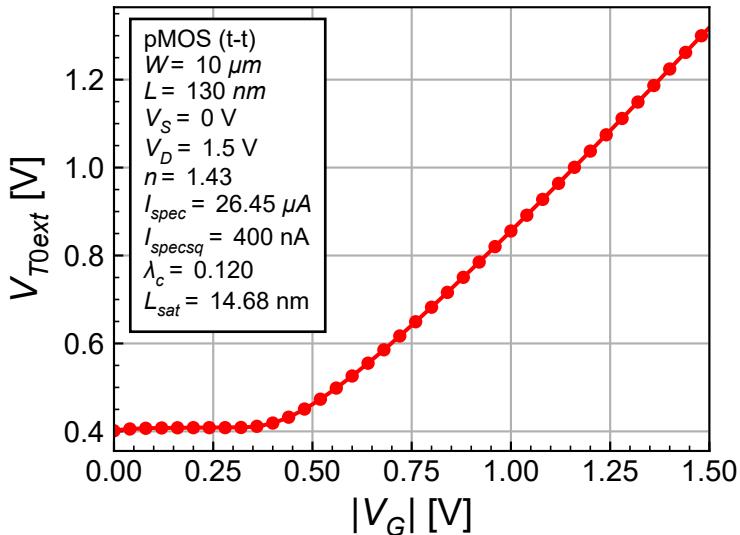
$$I_{spec\square} = 400 nA$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.120$$

$$1/\lambda_c = 8.333$$

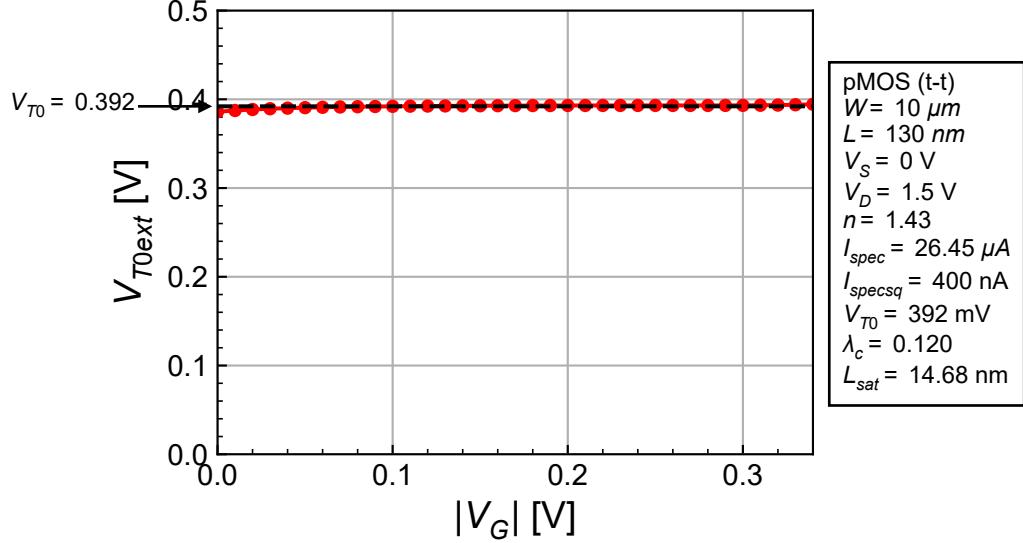
$$1/\lambda_c^2 = 69.444$$

$$L_{sat} = 14.681 nm$$



We see a plateau in weak inversion where we can average its value to get the threshold voltage in weak inversion.

$$V_{T0,wi} = 392 \text{ mV}$$



We can now check the  $I_D$ - $V_G$  curves.

$$n = 1.43$$

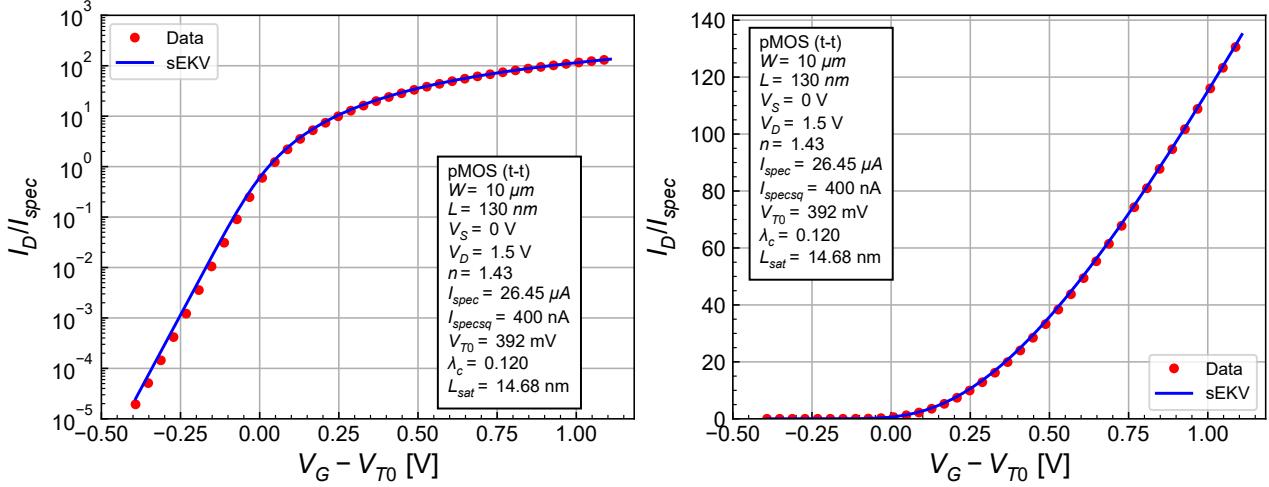
$$I_{spec} = 26.445 \mu\text{A}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 400 \text{ nA}$$

$$V_{T0} = 392 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.120$$

$$L_{sat} = 14.681 \text{ nm}$$



We see that the threshold voltage is not correct. We can fine tune it manually.

$$n = 1.43$$

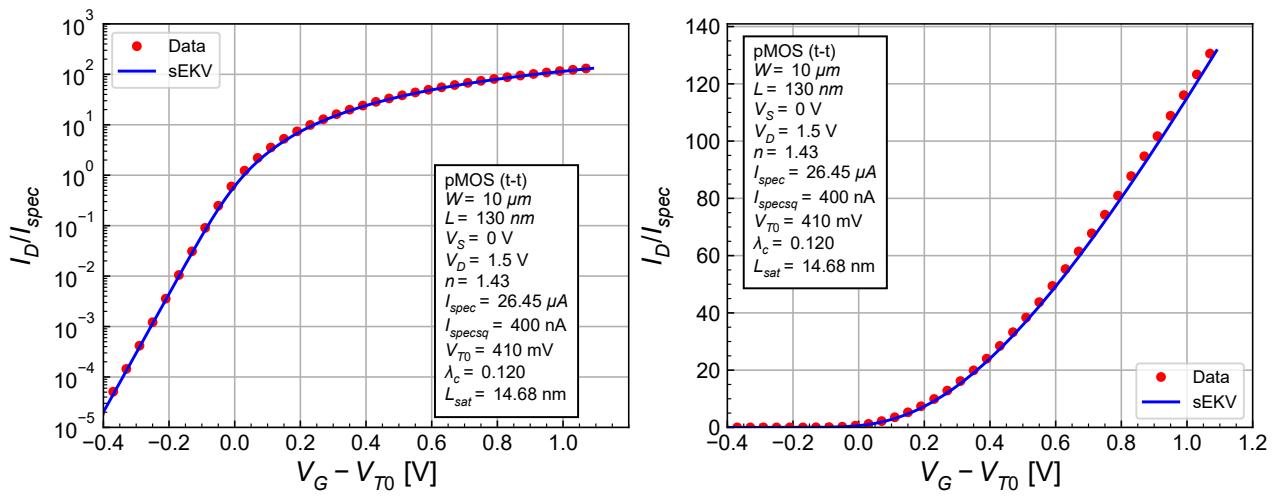
$$I_{spec} = 26.445 \mu\text{A}$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 400 \text{ nA}$$

$$V_{T0} = 410 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.120$$

$$L_{sat} = 14.681 \text{ nm}$$



We now have a very good fit of the  $I_D$ - $V_G$  characteristic.

#### 5.2.4.5 Summary

$$n = 1.43$$

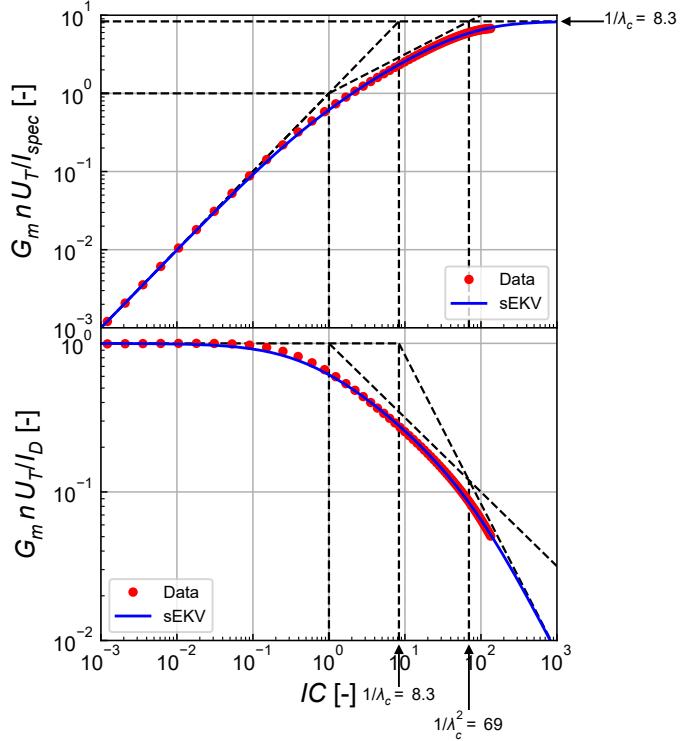
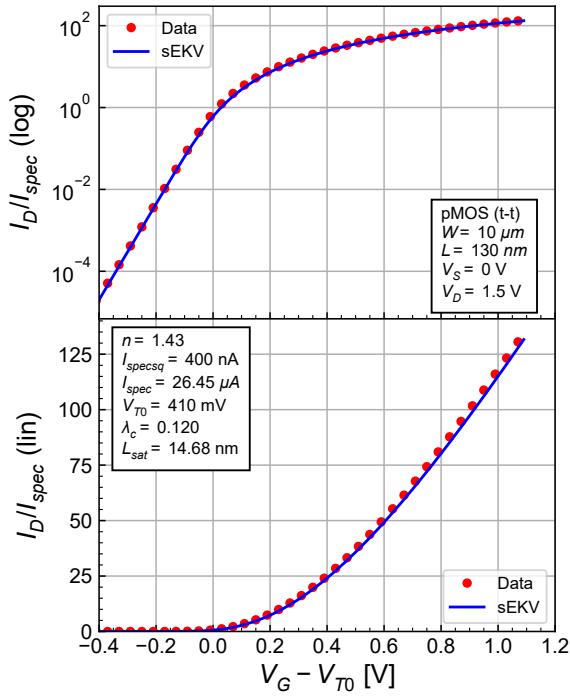
$$I_{spec} = 26.445 \mu A$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 400 nA$$

$$V_{T0} = 410 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.120$$

$$L_{sat} = 14.681 \text{ nm}$$



We finally get a reasonable fit of all characteristics.

Table 5.1: Direct extraction of the sEKV parameters for the short-channel transistor wi

|        | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | n         | Ispecsq   | VT0       | lambdac   | Lsat   |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.800e-07 | 3.568e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e |
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.915e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e |
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.227e+00 | 2.000e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 6.800e-02 | 6.831e |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.230e+00 | 2.200e-07 | 3.612e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.230e+00 | 2.446e-07 | 3.655e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.277e+00 | 2.600e-07 | 3.655e-01 | 7.600e-02 | 1.170e |
| short  | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.300e-07 | 1.508e-07 | 1.430e+00 | 4.000e-07 | 4.100e-01 | 1.200e-01 | 1.468e |

## 5.2.5 Extraction using optimization

### 5.2.5.1 Specific current $I_{spec}$ and $\lambda_c$ extraction

We can extract the slope factor  $n$ , the specific current  $I_{spec}$  and the velocity saturation parameter  $\lambda_c$  using curve-fitting.

$$n = 1.45$$

$$I_{spec} = 31.718 \mu A$$

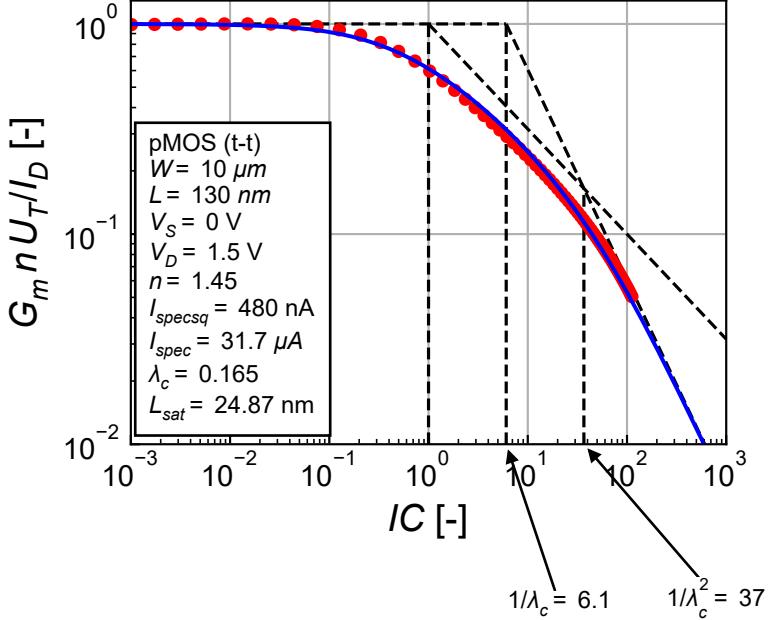
$$I_{spec\square} = 480 nA$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.165$$

$$1/\lambda_c = 6.06$$

$$1/\lambda_c^2 = 37$$

$$L_{sat} = 24.869 nm$$



We get a good fit across all regions.

### 5.2.5.2 Threshold voltage extraction

$$n = 1.45$$

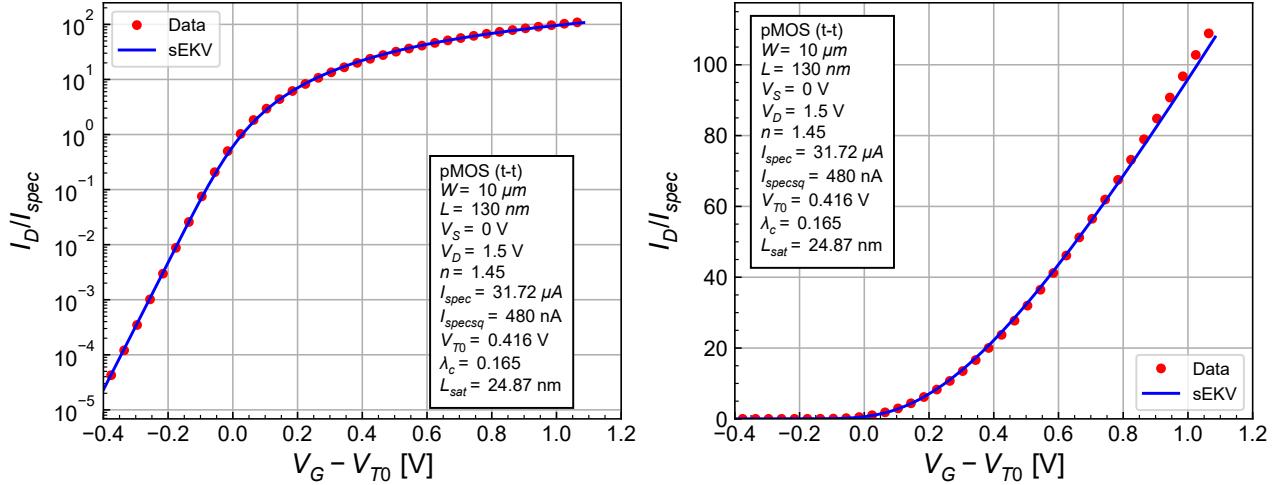
$$I_{spec} = 31.718 \mu A$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 480 nA$$

$$V_{T0} = 416 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.165$$

$$L_{sat} = 24.869 \text{ nm}$$



We finally get a very good fit!

### 5.2.5.3 Summary

$$n = 1.45$$

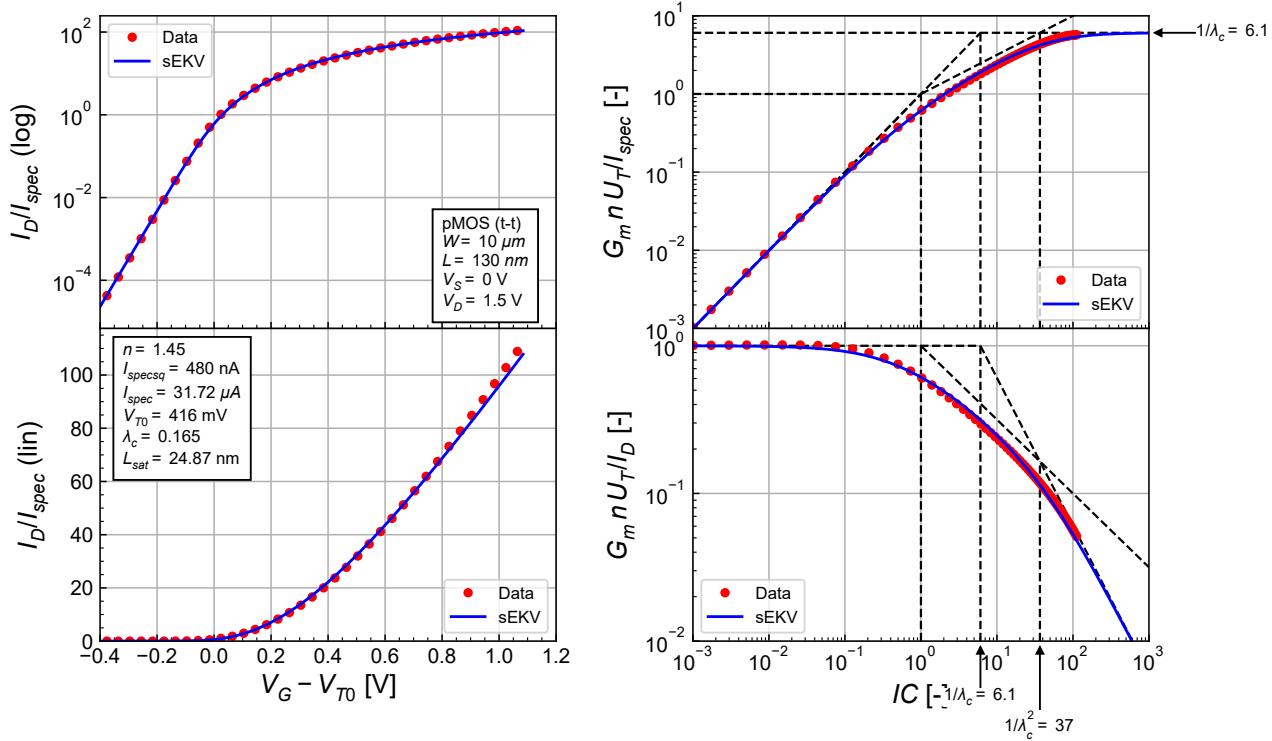
$$I_{spec} = 31.718 \mu A$$

$$I_{spec\square} = 480 nA$$

$$V_{T0} = 416 \text{ mV}$$

$$\lambda_c = 0.165$$

$$L_{sat} = 24.869 \text{ nm}$$



We have an overall very good fit.

Table 5.2: Extraction of the sEKV parameters by optimization for the short-channel tra  
 $\lambda_c > 0$ .

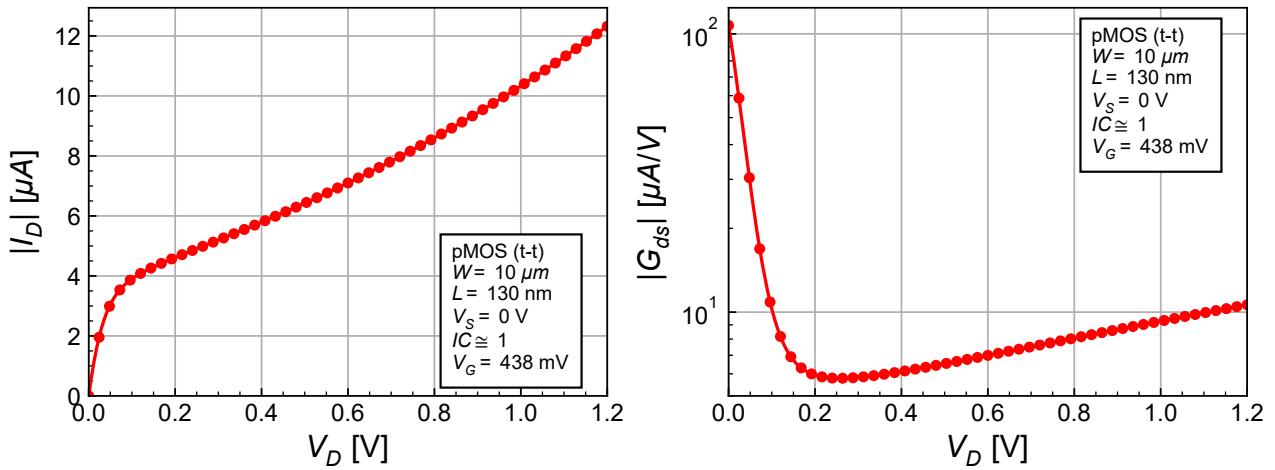
|        | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | n         | Ispecsq   | VT0       | lambdac   | Lsat   |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.800e-07 | 3.568e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e |
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.220e+00 | 1.915e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e |
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1.227e+00 | 2.000e-07 | 3.569e-01 | 6.800e-02 | 6.831e |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.230e+00 | 2.200e-07 | 3.612e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.230e+00 | 2.446e-07 | 3.655e-01 | 0.000e+00 | 0.000e |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1.277e+00 | 2.600e-07 | 3.655e-01 | 7.600e-02 | 1.170e |
| short  | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.300e-07 | 1.508e-07 | 1.430e+00 | 4.000e-07 | 4.100e-01 | 1.200e-01 | 1.468e |
| short  | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.300e-07 | 1.508e-07 | 1.449e+00 | 4.798e-07 | 4.158e-01 | 1.649e-01 | 2.487e |

## 5.3 Output characteristic

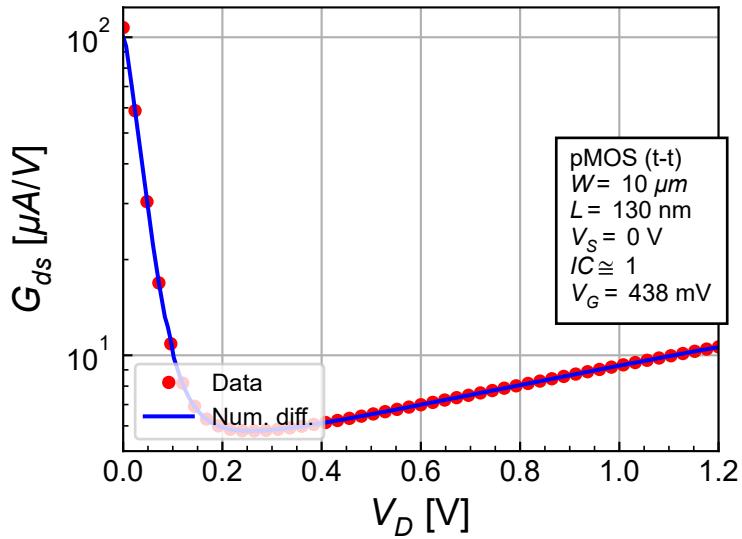
### 5.3.1 Generating the data

### 5.3.2 Importing and plotting the data

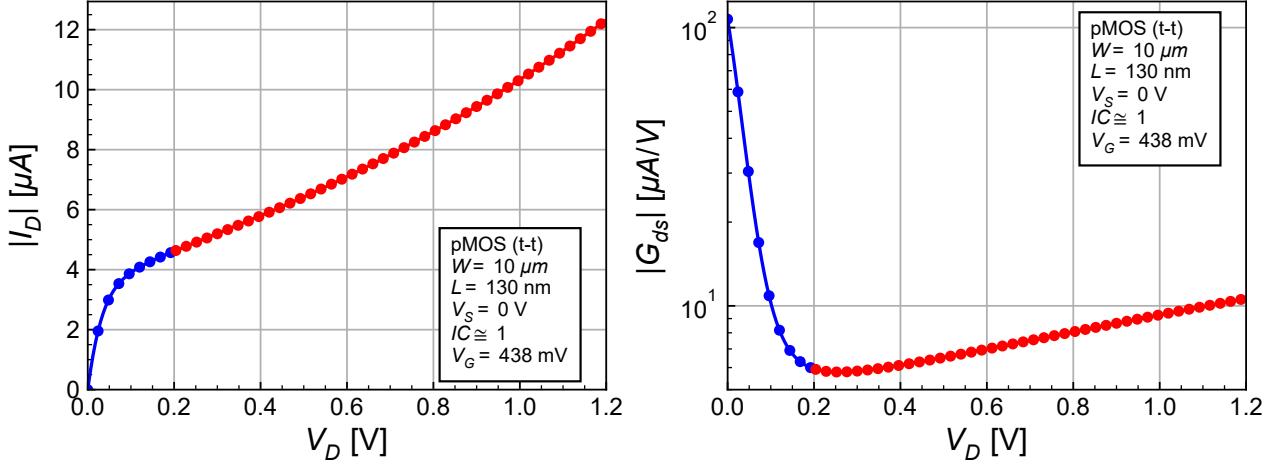
#### 5.3.2.1 $I_D$ and $G_{ds}$ versus $V_D$



We see the effect of DIBL that will be difficult to fit with the CLM model only.



### 5.3.2.2 Filtering the outliers



### 5.3.2.3 Extracting the CLM parameter

$$G_{ds} = 7.630 \text{ } \mu A/V$$

$$I_{D0} = 2.703 \text{ } \mu A$$

$$V_E = -0.354 \text{ V}$$

$$\lambda = 2.725 \text{ V}/\mu m$$

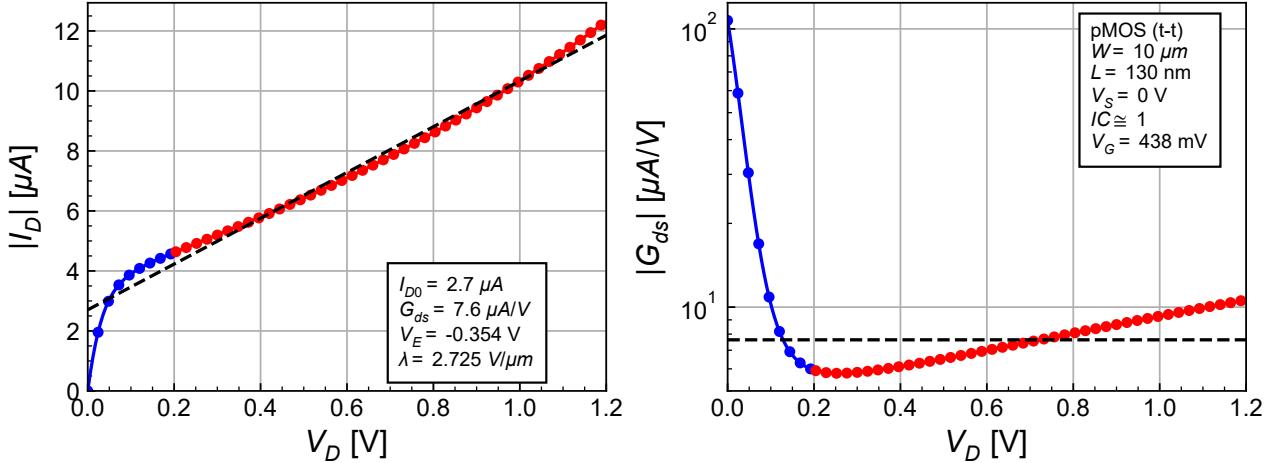


Table 5.3: CLM parameters extracted for the short-channel transistor in moderate inversion.

|        | W         | Weff      | L         | Leff      | IC | Gds       | ID0       | VE         | lambda    |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| long   | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.000e-05 | 1.005e-05 | 1  | 4.623e-09 | 2.810e-07 | -6.078e+01 | 6.078e+06 |
| medium | 1.000e-06 | 9.700e-07 | 1.000e-06 | 1.043e-06 | 1  | 1.920e-08 | 2.741e-07 | -1.427e+01 | 1.427e+07 |
| short  | 1.000e-05 | 9.970e-06 | 1.300e-07 | 1.508e-07 | 1  | 7.630e-06 | 2.703e-06 | -3.543e-01 | 2.725e+06 |

## 5.4 Noise

In this section we will extract the flicker noise parameters to be used with sEKV and check the white noise power spectral density (PSD) for the short channel transistor. We first will set the bias condition

in terms of  $IC$  and calculate the input-referred white noise to compare it to the result obtained from the PSP simulations.

#### 5.4.1 Setting bias conditions

$$W = 10 \mu m$$

$$L = 130 nm$$

$$IC = 1.0$$

$$I_D = 26.445 \mu A$$

$$V_G = 0.438 V$$

$$V_S = 0.000 V$$

$$G_m = 441.888 \mu A/V$$

$$\gamma_n = 0.806$$

$$R_{n,th} = 1.824 k\Omega$$

$$S_{n,th} = 3.024e-17 V^2/Hz$$

$$V_{n,th} = 5.499 nV/\sqrt{Hz}$$

$$A_v = 10$$

$$R_L = 22.630 k\Omega$$

$$V_{DD} = 1.800 V$$

$$V_{RL} = 0.598 V$$

$$V_{DS} = 1.202 V$$

$$V_{DSsat} = 0.116 V$$

The transistor is biased in the saturation region

#### 5.4.2 Extract operating point information

We can extract the values of the PSP noise parameters from the operating point informations.

$$V_{n,th} = 6.781 nV/\sqrt{Hz} \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$f_k = 8259.325 kHz \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$KF = 8.801e-24 VAs \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$\rho = 3.445e-02 Vm^2/(As) \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$AF = 1.000 \text{ (PSP)}$$

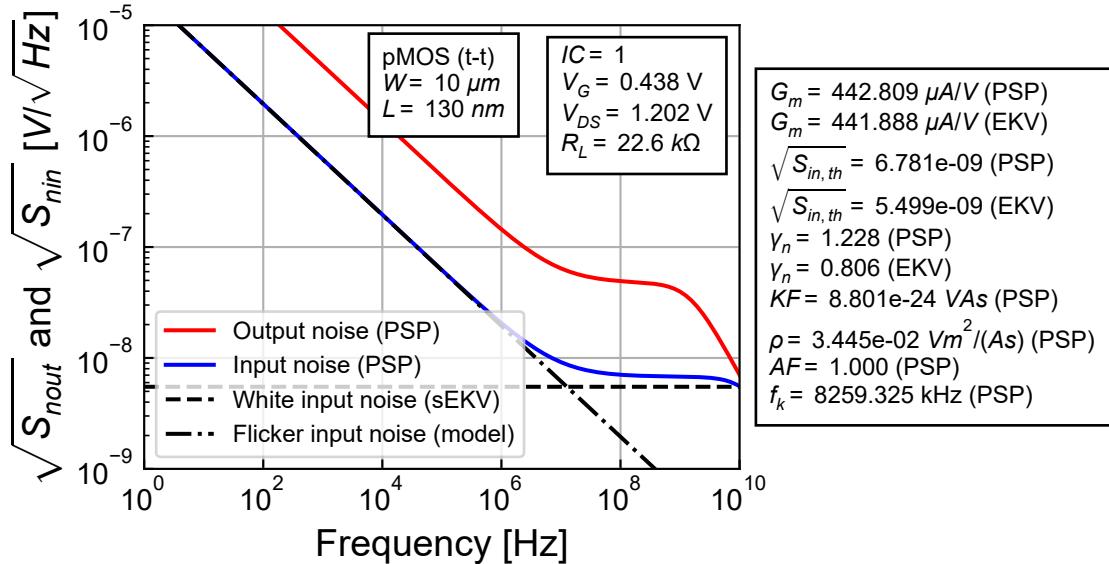
$$R_{n,th} = 2.774 k\Omega \text{ (PSP)}$$

$$\gamma_n = 1.228 \text{ (PSP)}$$

|    | Weff     | Leff     | IDS      | Gm       | Gds      | Snidth   | Vninth   | Snidfl @ 1Hz | Vninf @ 1kH |
|----|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------------|-------------|
| Mn | 9.97E-06 | 1.51E-07 | 2.58E-05 | 4.43E-04 | 1.90E-05 | 9.02E-24 | 6.78E-09 | 7.45E-17     | 6.16E-07    |

### 5.4.3 Simulating noise PSD

We can now simulate the PSD and check against the EKV model.



The transconductance value from sEKV is very close to that of PSP. However, the thermal noise excess factor  $\gamma_n$  in PSP seems to be very large compared to the EKV value. This leads to a higher white noise for PSP compared to EKV.

The flicker noise parameter for the short-channel transistor is slightly larger than the values extracted for the long and medium transistors.

Table 5.5: Extraction of the noise parameters for the short-channel transistor.

|        | W        | Weff     | L        | Leff     | IC | KF       | AF       | rho      | Comment  |
|--------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| long   | 1.00E-05 | 9.97E-06 | 1.00E-05 | 1.00E-05 | 1  | 8.73E-24 | 1.00E+00 | 3.42E-02 | moderate |
| medium | 1.00E-06 | 9.70E-07 | 1.00E-06 | 1.04E-06 | 1  | 8.37E-24 | 1.00E+00 | 3.28E-02 | moderate |
| short  | 1.00E-05 | 9.97E-06 | 1.30E-07 | 1.51E-07 | 1  | 8.80E-24 | 1.00E+00 | 3.44E-02 | moderate |

# 6 Extrinsic capacitances

## 6.1 Junction capacitances

The calculation of the junction capacitances depends on the value used for the **SWJUNCAP** parameter. In this PDK **SWJUNCAP** is equal to 3 for which the junction area  $AB$ , junction length of side-wall capacitance along the STI edge  $LS$  and junction length of the side-wall capacitance along the gate edge  $LG$  are calculated according to

$$AB = AS, \quad (6.1)$$

$$LS = PS - WE, \quad (6.2)$$

$$LG = WE, \quad (6.3)$$

$$(6.4)$$

where  $AS$  is the source junction area and  $PS$  the total source junction perimeter and

$$AB = AD, \quad (6.5)$$

$$LS = PD - WE, \quad (6.6)$$

$$LG = WE, \quad (6.7)$$

$$(6.8)$$

where  $AD$  is the drain junction area and  $PD$  the total drain junction perimeter.

The total junction capacitance on the source  $CJS$  and drain side  $CJD$  are then given by

$$CJS = AS \cdot CJORBOT + (PS - WE) \cdot CJORSTI + WE \cdot CJORGAT, \quad (6.9)$$

$$CJD = AD \cdot CJORBOT + (PD - WE) \cdot CJORSTI + WE \cdot CJORGAT, \quad (6.10)$$

where:

- **CJORBOT** is the zero-bias bottom capacitance per unit-area,
- **CJORSTI** is the zero-bias capacitance per unit-of-length along the STI-edge,
- **CJORGAT** is the zero-bias capacitance per unit-of-length along the gate-edge.

The above junction capacitance parameters are extracted directly from the PDK. We will use the the zero-bias bias value of th various junctions capacitances.

If  $AS$ ,  $PD$ ,  $AD$  and  $PS$  are not specified, they are calculated automatically in the sg13g2\_moslv\_mod.lib file.

In the circuit examples, we will calculate  $AS$ ,  $PD$ ,  $AD$  and  $PS$  for avoiding the automatic cal.culation

$$CJp = 8.631e-04 \frac{F}{m^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
CJSWSTIp &= 3.192e-11 \frac{F}{m} \\
CJSWGATp &= 2.747e-11 \frac{F}{m} \\
CJp &= 0.863 \frac{fF}{\mu m^2} \\
CJSWSTIp &= 0.032 \frac{fF}{\mu m} \\
CJSWGATp &= 0.027 \frac{fF}{\mu m}
\end{aligned}$$

Table 6.1: Extraction of the junction capacitance parameters.

|                                            | Zero-bias junction capacitance | Comment            |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Bottom cap per area                        | 8.63E-04                       | extracted from PDK |
| Side-wall cap per unit length (along STI)  | 3.19E-11                       | extracted from PDK |
| Side-wall cap per unit length (along gate) | 2.75E-11                       | extracted from PDK |

## 6.2 Overlap capacitances

In PSP, the gate-to-source and gate-to-drain overlap capacitances are equal and given by

$$CGOV = \epsilon_{ox} \cdot \frac{W_{E,CV} \cdot LOV}{TOXOV}, \quad (6.11)$$

where  $W_{E,CV}$  has already been defined above and is repeated here

The effective length and width for the calculation of the intrinsic and overlap capacitances are defined as

$$L_{E,CV} = L + \Delta L_{CV}, \quad (6.12)$$

$$W_{E,CV} = W + \Delta W_{CV}, \quad (6.13)$$

where

$$\Delta L_{CV} = 2 LAP - \Delta L_{PS} - DLQ, \quad (6.14)$$

$$\Delta W_{CV} = 2 WOT - \Delta W_{OD} - DWQ. \quad (6.15)$$

As mentioned above, for the IHP 130nm for nMOS  $\Delta L_{PS} = 0$  and  $\Delta W_{OD} = 0$  so that

$$\Delta L_{CV} = 2 LAP - DLQ, \quad (6.16)$$

$$\Delta W_{CV} = 2 WOT - DWQ. \quad (6.17)$$

Gate-to-source and gate-to-drain overlap capacitances per effective unit width

$$C_{GSo} = 4.426\text{e-}10 \frac{F}{m}$$

$$C_{GDo} = 4.426\text{e-}10 \frac{F}{m}$$

$$C_{GSo} = 0.443 \frac{fF}{\mu m}$$

$$C_{GDo} = 0.443 \frac{fF}{\mu m}$$

Gate-to-bulk overlap capacitances per effective unit length

$$C_{GBo} = 2.186\text{e-}11 \frac{F}{m}$$

$$C_{GBo} = 0.022 \frac{fF}{\mu m}$$

In PSP, the fringing field capacitance is given by

$$CFR = CFRW \cdot \frac{W_{G,CV}}{W_{EN}}, \quad (6.18)$$

where

$$W_{G,CV} = W_f + \Delta W_{OD} + DWQ \quad (6.19)$$

Since  $\Delta W_{OD} = 0$  it reduces to

$$W_{G,CV} = W_f + DWQ \quad (6.20)$$

Gate-to-source and gate-to-drain fringing capacitances per effective unit width

$$C_{GSf} = 1.000\text{e-}10 \frac{F}{m}$$

$$C_{GDf} = 1.000\text{e-}10 \frac{F}{m}$$

$$C_{GSf} = 0.100 \frac{fF}{\mu m}$$

$$C_{GDf} = 0.100 \frac{fF}{\mu m}$$

Total gate-to-source and gate-to-drain extrinsic capacitances per effective unit width

$$C_{GSe} = 5.426\text{e-}10 \frac{F}{m}$$

$$C_{GDe} = 5.426\text{e-}10 \frac{F}{m}$$

$$C_{GSe} = 0.543 \frac{fF}{\mu m}$$

$$C_{GDe} = 0.543 \frac{fF}{\mu m}$$

Table 6.2: Extraction of the junction capacitance parameters.

|          | CGS per effective unit width | CGD per effective unit width | CGB per effective unit length | Comm    |
|----------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|
| Overlap  | 4.43E-10                     | 4.43E-10                     | 2.19E-11                      | extract |
| Fringing | 1.00E-10                     | 1.00E-10                     | -                             | extract |
| Total    | 5.43E-10                     | 5.43E-10                     | -                             | extract |

## 7 Conclusion

The sEKV parameters have been extracted for a long, medium and short pMOS transistor. The overall results are good.

For the long-channel transistor both the direct extraction and optimization with  $\lambda_c = 0$  give similar results. The fit is good up to about  $IC = 100$ . Above that the model cannot catch the effect due to the mobility reduction due to the vertical field.

For the short-channel transistor, again the direct extraction and the optimization with  $\lambda_c > 0$  give similar results. The fit is good over the whole range of  $IC$ . Notice that the bump observed in moderate inversion for the nMOS does not appear for the pMOS.

Overall, the sEKV can do a good job for the long, medium and short pMOS transistors.