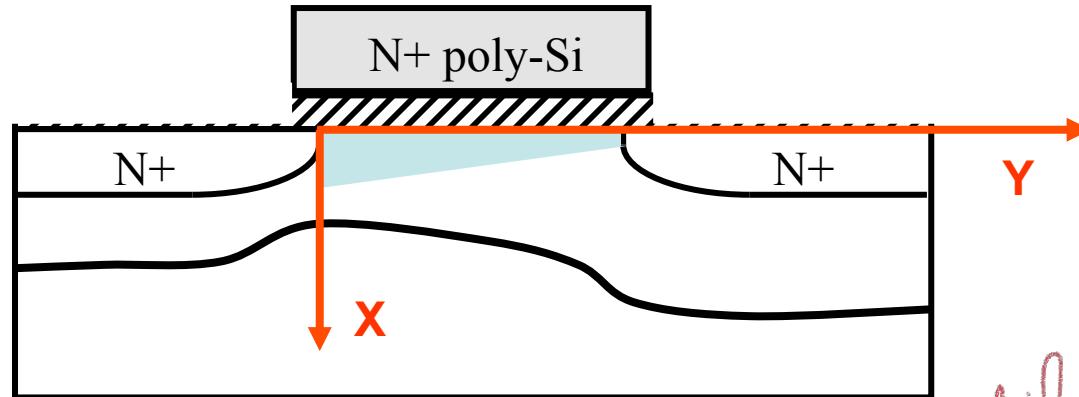


# Piece-wise Model (Above Threshold)



$$V_{GS} > V_T, V_{DS} > 0$$

**Inversion layer exists throughout the channel**

$$I_D = \mu_{eff} \frac{W}{L} \int_0^{V_{DS}} [-Q_i(V) dV]$$

Valid above threshold  
(we have taken  $\phi_s = 2\phi_F$ )

$$-Q_i(V) = C_{ox} [V_{GS} - V_{FB} - 2\phi_F - V(y)]$$

**Surface potential**

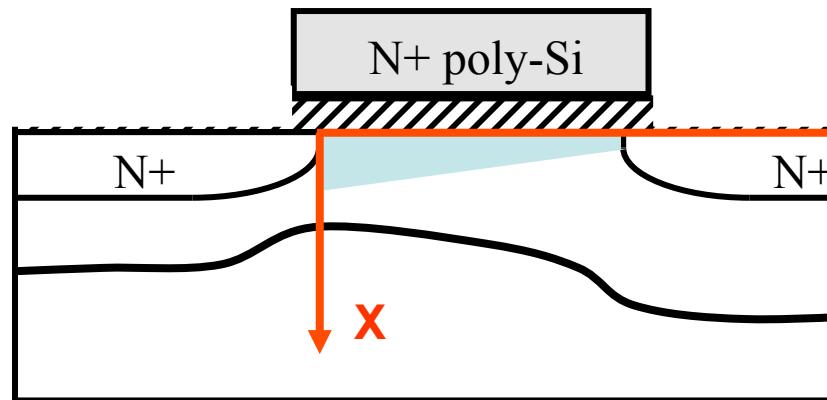
*always valid*

Voltage at Y

$$\sqrt{2q\epsilon_{si}N_A(2\phi_F + V(y))}$$

**Depletion charges**

# Piece-wise Model (Above Threshold)



$$V_{GS} > V_T, V_{DS} > 0$$

$$I_d = \mu_{eff} \frac{W}{L} \int_0^{V_{ds}} -Q_1(v) dv$$

$$I_D = \mu_{eff} C_{OX} \frac{W}{L}$$

$$*[(V_G - V_{FB} - 2\phi_F - \frac{V_{DS}}{2})V_{DS} - \frac{2\sqrt{2\varepsilon_{si}qN_A}}{3C_{OX}} \{(2\phi_F + V_{DS})^{3/2} - (2\phi_F)^{3/2}\}]$$

**Valid for any  $V_{DS}$   
but only above  
threshold**

# Piece-wise Model (Above Threshold)

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$$\begin{aligned} & (2\phi_F + V_{DS})^{3/2} - (2\phi_F)^{3/2} \\ &= (2\phi_F)^{3/2} \left[ \left(1 + \frac{V_{DS}}{2\phi_F}\right)^{3/2} - 1 \right] \quad \text{Taylor expansion for small } V_{DS} \\ &= (2\phi_F)^{3/2} \left[ 1 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{V_{DS}}{2\phi_F} + \frac{3}{8} \left(\frac{V_{DS}}{2\phi_F}\right)^2 + \dots - 1 \right] \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{2\phi_F} \left[ V_{DS} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{V_{DS}^2}{2\phi_F} \right] \end{aligned}$$

# Piece-wise Model (Above Threshold)

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For small  $V_{DS}$ , keep 1<sup>st</sup> order term

$$I_D = \mu_{eff} C_{OX} \frac{W}{L}$$

$$*[V_G - V_{FB} - 2\phi_F - \frac{\sqrt{2\varepsilon_{si}qN_A}2\phi_F}{C_{OX}}]V_{DS}$$

$$= \mu_{eff} C_{OX} \frac{W}{L} [V_G - V_T] V_{DS}$$

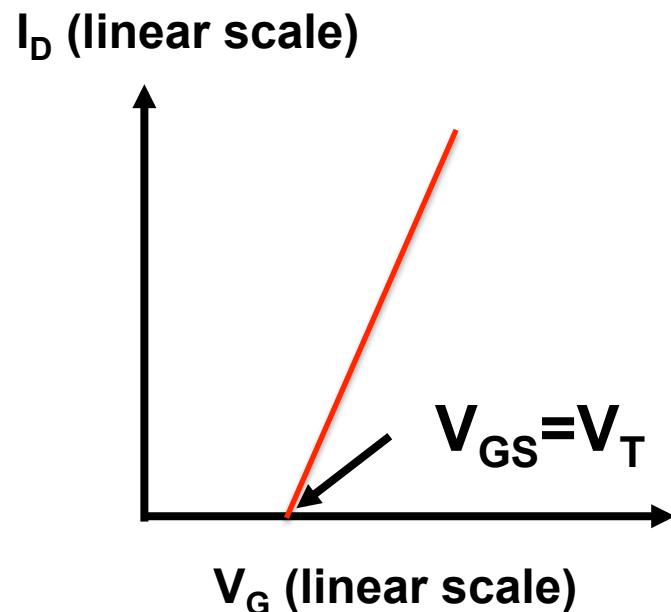
$$V_T = V_{FB} + 2\phi_F + \frac{\sqrt{2\varepsilon_{si}qN_A}2\phi_F}{C_{OX}}$$

# Linear region ( $V_{DS}$ small) – Transfer curves

Drain current linearly dependent on  $V_{GS}$  ( $>V_T$ )

$$I_D = \mu_{eff} C_{OX} \frac{W}{L_{eff}} [V_{GS} - V_T] V_{DS}$$

But the formula is only valid  
for  $V_G$  above  $V_T$



Intercept with X axis gives  
linear  $V_T \rightarrow V_{TLIN}$

# Piece-wise Model (Above Threshold)

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$$I_D = \mu_{eff} C_{OX} \frac{W}{L}$$

For moderate  $V_{DS}$ , keep up to 2<sup>nd</sup> order terms

$$*[(V_G - V_{FB} - 2\phi_F - \frac{V_{DS}}{2}) \\ - \frac{\sqrt{2\varepsilon_{si}qN_A}2\phi_F}{C_{OX}} - \frac{1}{C_{OX}}\sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_{si}qN_A}{4\phi_F}}\frac{V_{DS}}{2}]V_{DS}$$

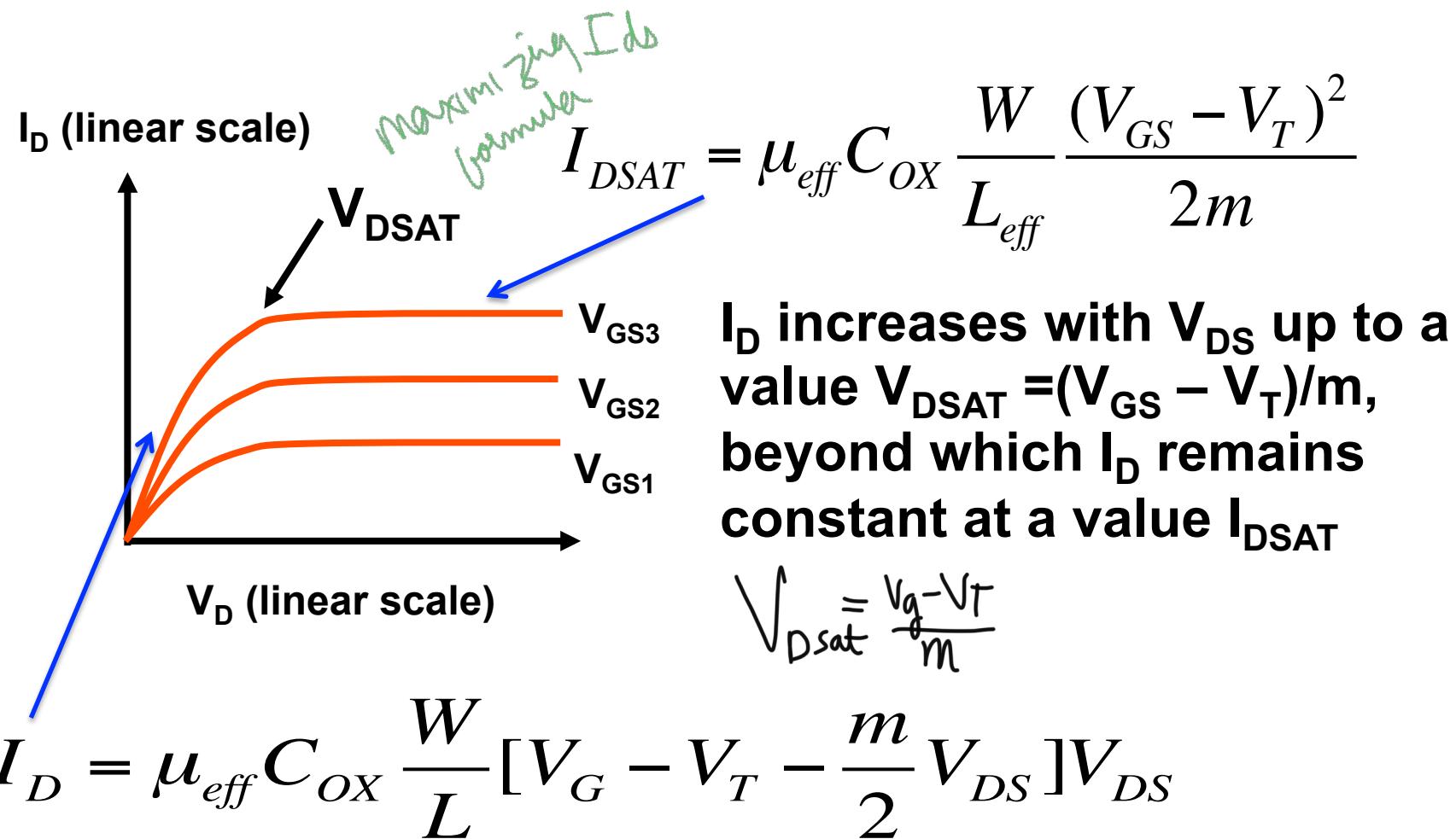
$$= \mu_{eff} C_{OX} \frac{W}{L} [V_G - V_T - \frac{m}{2}V_{DS}]V_{DS}$$

$$m = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{\varepsilon_{si}qN_A / 4\phi_F}}{C_{OX}} = 1 + \frac{C_D}{C_{OX}} = 1 + \frac{3T_{OX}}{W_{MAX}}$$

*$\frac{\varepsilon_{si}qN_A}{4\phi_F}$*   $\rightarrow$   *$\frac{\varepsilon_{si}^2}{4\phi_F}$*

# Output Characteristics

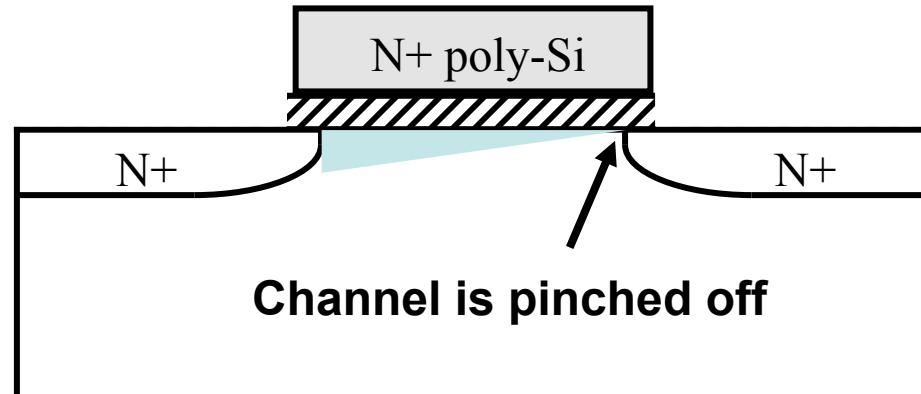
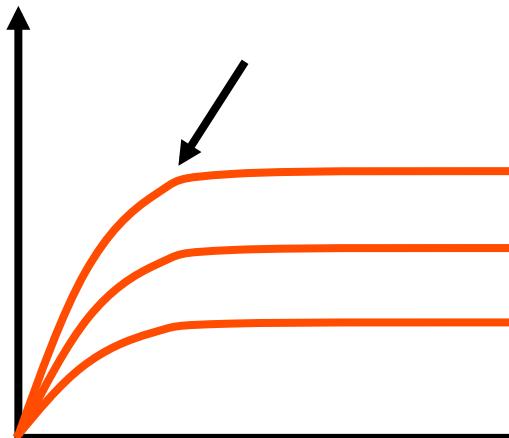
For a given  $V_{GS}$  ( $>V_T$ ),  $V_{DS}$  is increased



# Channel Pinch Off

Channel does not exist in the drain end when  $V_{DS} = V_{DSAT}$

$I_D$  (linear scale)



$$Q(y) = C_{OX} [V_{GS} - V_T - mV(y)]$$

$V(y=0)=0$  at S end

$V(y=L_{eff})=V_{DS}$  at D end

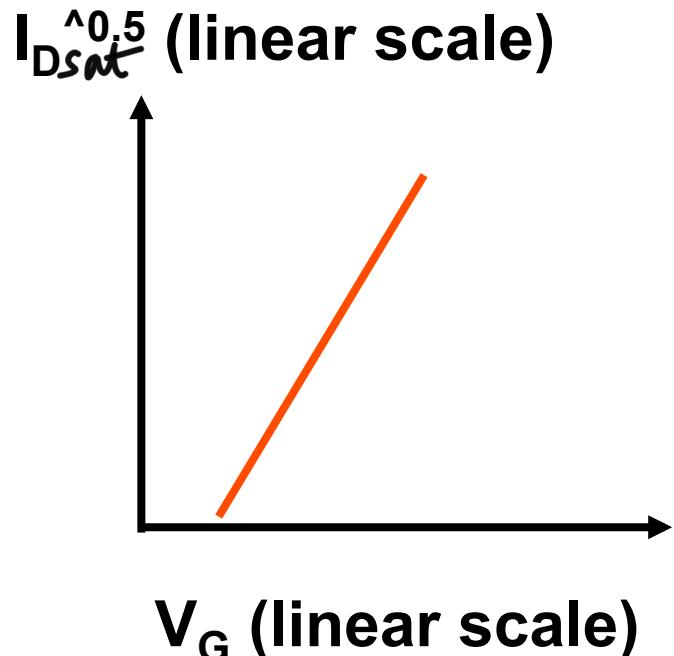
$$I_{DSAT} = \mu_{eff} C_{OX} \frac{W}{L_{eff}} \frac{(V_{GS} - V_T)^2}{2m}$$

# Threshold Voltage Extraction (Saturation)

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Saturation current

$$I_{DSAT} = \mu_{eff} C_{OX} \frac{W}{L_{eff}} \frac{(V_{GS} - V_T)^2}{2m}$$



Plot of root ( $I_{DSAT}$ ) versus  $V_{GS}$  is a straight line, find  $V_T$  (saturation) from intercept

Is  $V_{TSAT}$  same as  $V_{TLIN}$ ?

# Better Expression for $V_{DSAT}$

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Should not do series expansion for larger  $V_{DSAT}$

$$I_D = \mu_{eff} C_{OX} \frac{W}{L} * [(V_G - V_{FB} - 2\phi_F - \frac{V_{DS}}{2})V_{DS} - \frac{2\sqrt{2\varepsilon_{si}qN_A}}{3C_{OX}} \{(2\phi_F + V_{DS})^{3/2} - (2\phi_F)^{3/2}\}]$$

When  $V_D = V_{DSAT}$ ,  $dI_D/dV_D = 0$

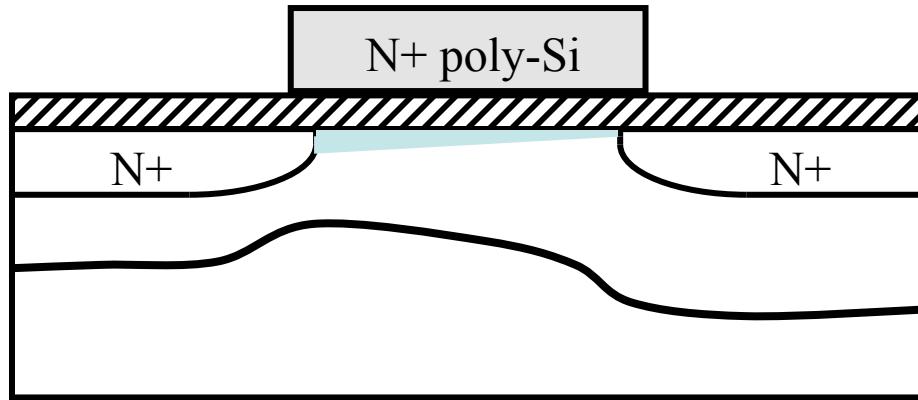
## Better Expression for $V_{DSAT}$

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$$V_{DSAT} = V_G - V_{FB} - 2\phi_F + \frac{\varepsilon_{si} q N_A}{C_{OX}^2}$$
$$- \sqrt{\frac{2\varepsilon_{si} q N_A}{C_{OX}^2} \left( V_G - V_{FB} + \frac{\varepsilon_{si} q N_A}{2C_{OX}^2} \right)}$$

Compare  $V_{DSAT}$  from both methods

# Current Conduction (Subthreshold)

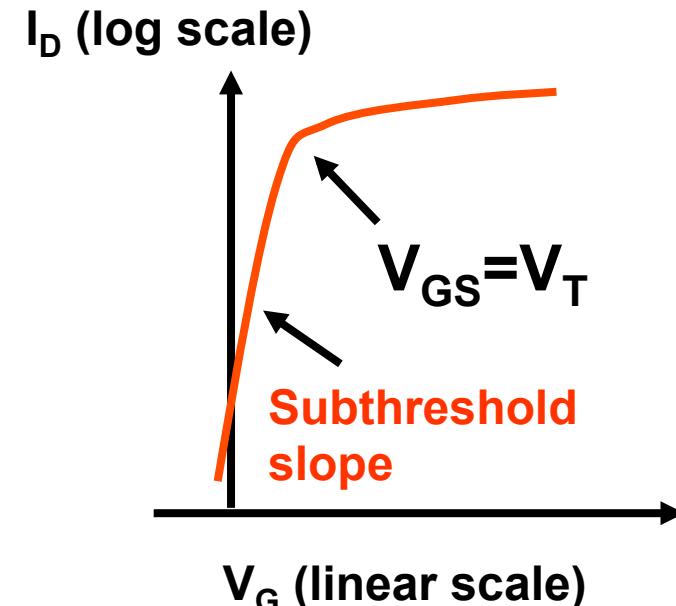


$$V_{GS} < V_T, V_{DS} > 0$$

Fewer mobile electrons (negligible drift), but strong density gradient → current dominated by diffusion of electrons from S to D

Exponential dependence on  $V_{GS}$

Subthreshold slope → how many “V” must  $V_{GS}$  be reduced to reduce  $I_D$  by each decade below  $V_T$



Reduction in  $V_T$  increases off current

# Charges in Regime of Interest

Total charge density in depletion / inversion

$$Q = -\sqrt{2\epsilon_{si}kTN_A} \left[ \frac{q\psi_s}{kT} + \frac{n_i^2}{N_A^2} e^{q(\psi_s-V)/kT} \right]^{1/2}$$

*from general channel approx*

Expand in power series for weak inversion

$$\frac{Q_{inv}}{Q_{dep}}$$

$$Q = -\sqrt{2\epsilon_{si}qN_A\psi_s} \left[ 1 + \frac{kT}{2q\psi_s} \frac{n_i^2}{N_A^2} e^{q(\psi_s-V)/kT} \right]$$

Depletion charge

Inversion charge

$$Q_i = -\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_{si}qN_A}{2\psi_s}} \left( \frac{kT}{q} \right) \left( \frac{n_i}{N_A} \right)^2 e^{q(\psi_s-V)/kT}$$

# Current Conduction (Subthreshold)

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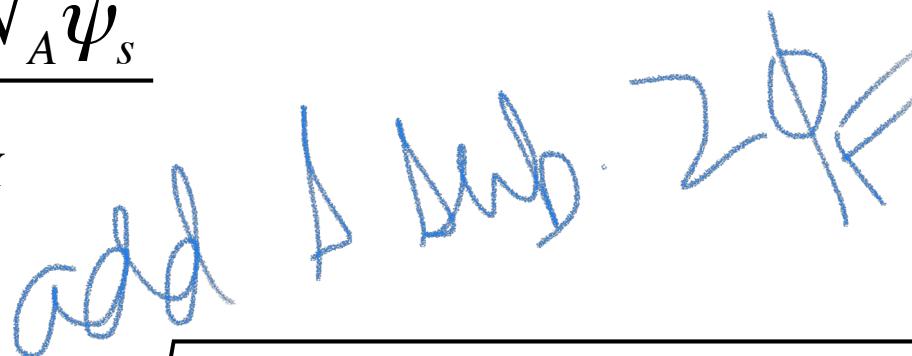
$$V_G = V_{FB} + \psi_s + \frac{\sqrt{2\epsilon_{si}kTN_A}}{C_{OX}} \left[ \frac{q\psi_s}{kT} + \frac{n_i^2}{N_A^2} e^{q(\psi_s - V)/kT} \right]^{1/2}$$

For depletion region, ignore inversion term (appx.)

$$V_G = V_{FB} + \psi_s + \frac{\sqrt{2\epsilon_{si}qN_A\psi_s}}{C_{OX}}$$

Rewrite:

$$V_G = V_{FB} + 2\phi_F + (\psi_s - 2\phi_F) + \frac{\sqrt{2\epsilon_{si}qN_A\{2\phi_F + (\psi_s - 2\phi_F)\}}}{C_{OX}}$$



# Current Conduction (Subthreshold)

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$$I_D = \mu_{eff} \frac{W}{L} \int_0^{V_{DS}} [-Q_i(V)] dV$$

$$Q_i = -\sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_{si} q N_A}{2\psi_s}} \left(\frac{kT}{q}\right) \left(\frac{n_i}{N_A}\right)^2 e^{q(\psi_s - V)/kT}$$

$$I_D = \mu_{eff} \frac{W}{L} \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_{si} q N_A}{2\psi_s}} \left(\frac{kT}{q}\right)^2 \left(\frac{n_i}{N_A}\right)^2 e^{q\psi_s/kT} [1 - e^{-qV_{DS}/kT}]$$

# Current Conduction (Subthreshold)

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$$\begin{aligned} V_G &= V_{FB} + 2\phi_F + (\psi_s - 2\phi_F) \\ &+ \frac{\sqrt{4\epsilon_{si}qN_A\phi_F}}{C_{OX}} \left[ 1 + \frac{\psi_s - 2\phi_F}{2\phi_F} \right]^{1/2} \\ &= V_{FB} + 2\phi_F + (\psi_s - 2\phi_F) \\ &+ \frac{\sqrt{4\epsilon_{si}qN_A\phi_F}}{C_{OX}} + \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_{si}qN_A / 4\phi_F}}{C_{OX}} (\psi_s - 2\phi_F) \\ &= V_{FB} + 2\phi_F + \frac{\sqrt{4\epsilon_{si}qN_A\phi_F}}{C_{OX}} + \left( 1 + \frac{\sqrt{\epsilon_{si}qN_A / 4\phi_F}}{C_{OX}} \right) (\psi_s - 2\phi_F) \\ &= V_T + m(\psi_s - 2\phi_F) \end{aligned}$$

**Assume  $\psi_s$  close to  $2\Phi_F$**   
(appx.) *Contradicting assumption  
as if  $\psi_s$  is close to  $2\phi_F$  then how  
 $Q_{inv} \ll Q_{dep}$*

# Current Conduction (Subthreshold)

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$$\psi_s = (V_G - V_T) / m + 2\phi_F$$

$$I_D = \mu_{eff} \frac{W}{L} \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_{si} q N_A}{2\psi_s}} \left(\frac{kT}{q}\right)^2 \left(\frac{n_i}{N_A}\right)^2 e^{q\psi_s/kT} [1 - e^{-qV_{DS}/kT}]$$

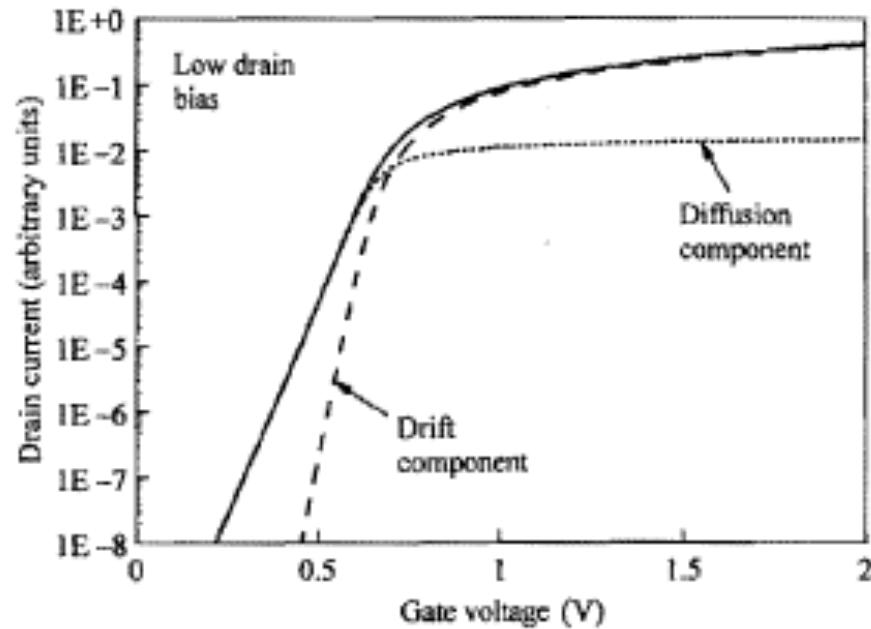
$$= \mu_{eff} \frac{W}{L} \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon_{si} q N_A}{4\phi_B}} \left(\frac{kT}{q}\right)^2 e^{q(V_G - V_T)/mkT} [1 - e^{-qV_{DS}/kT}]$$

*m = 1 + ~~(\varepsilon\_{si} N\_A)~~  
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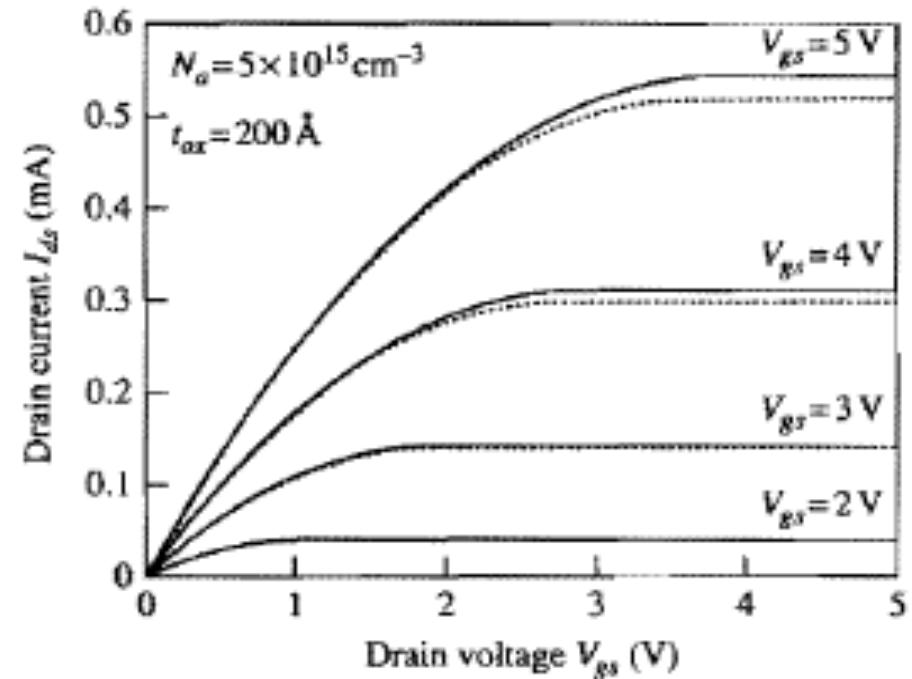
$$I_D = \mu_{eff} \frac{W}{L} C_{OX} (m-1) \left(\frac{kT}{q}\right)^2 e^{q(V_G - V_T)/mkT} [1 - e^{-qV_{DS}/kT}]$$

$$S = \left( \frac{d \log_{10} I_D}{d V_G} \right)^{-1} = 2.3m \frac{kT}{q} = 2.3 \frac{kT}{q} \left(1 + \frac{C_D}{C_{OX}}\right)$$

# MOSFET I-V Characteristics



Transfer curve



Output curves, calculated using full (solid, slide 30) and approximate (dashed, slide 35) equations