
Lecture8: MOSFET, IV

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Drain current

- It is easy to guess that
 - When $V_{GS} < V_{TH}$, no drain current is allowed.

$$I_D = 0$$

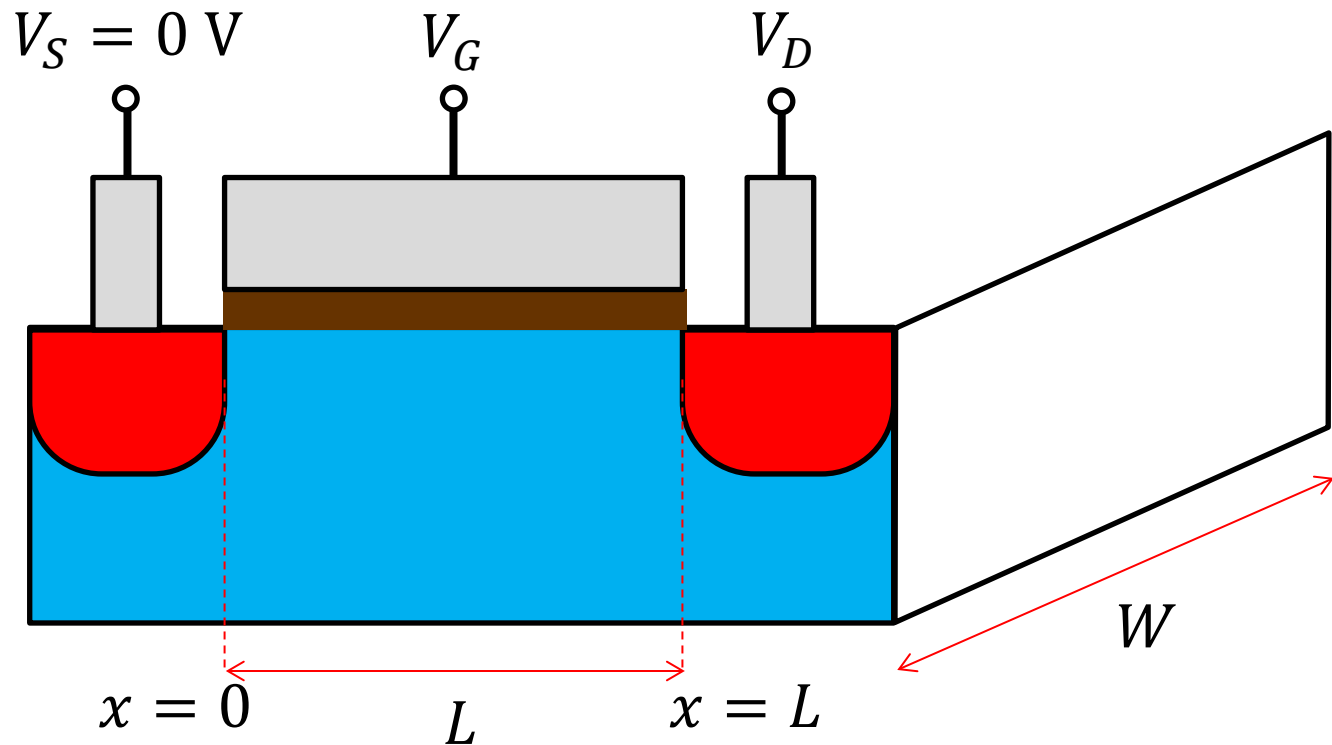
- When $V_{GS} > V_{TH}$,

$$I_D \propto C_{ox}(V_{GS} - V_{TH})$$

- In this lecture, we derive an appropriate expression for I_D .

Device structure

- Two-dimensional cross-section
 - Potential can be dependent on the position, $V(x)$.



Derivation of IV (1/2)

- Drain current

- First of all, the current is given by

$$I(x) = Q_{elec}(x) v(x) \quad (6.4)$$

- Here, Q_{elec} is the electron charge density *per unit length*.
- It follows

$$Q_{elec} = WC_{ox}[V_G - V(x) - V_{TH}] \quad (6.3)$$

- Also v is the electron velocity.

$$v = -\mu_n E = +\mu_n \frac{dV}{dx} \quad (6.5 \text{ and } 6.6)$$

- It is easy to understand that $I_D = I(x)$. The drain current is

$$I_D = WC_{ox}[V_G - V(x) - V_{TH}]\mu_n \frac{dV}{dx} \quad (6.7)$$

Derivation of IV (2/2)

- Integration over the channel

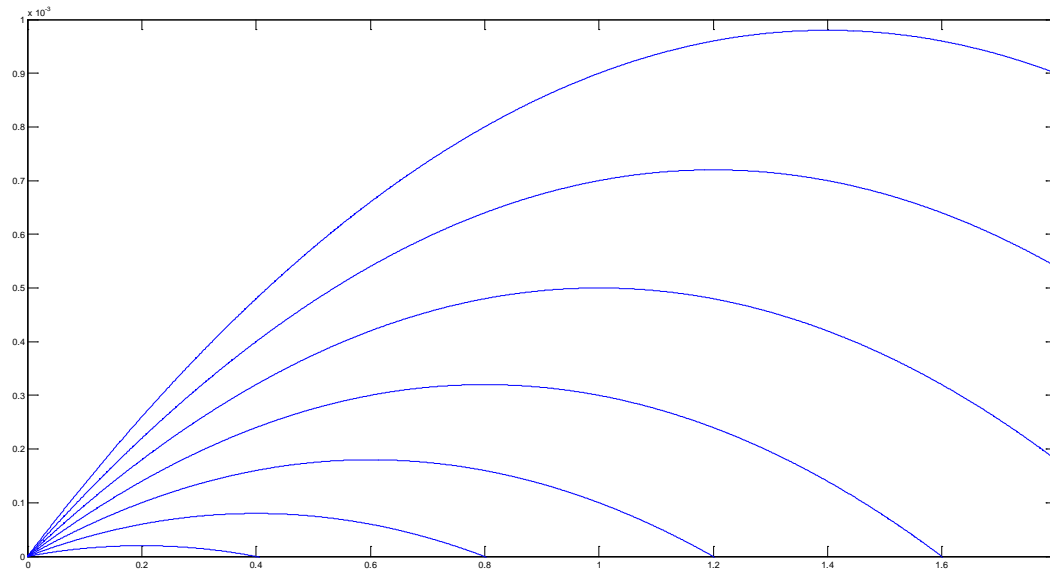
- Simply re-arranging,

$$I_D dx = \mu_n C_{ox} W [V_G - V(x) - V_{TH}] dV$$

- When integrated,

$$I_D = \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} \left[(V_G - V_{TH}) V_{DS} - \frac{1}{2} V_{DS}^2 \right]$$

Current



← Is it acceptable?

Voltage