

Figure 1: Circuit for Simulation 4

The results for Simulation 4 are similar to Simulation 2, except a PMOS is used instead of an NMOS. The definition  $g_{sd} = \frac{\partial I_D}{\partial V_{SD}}$  is used instead.

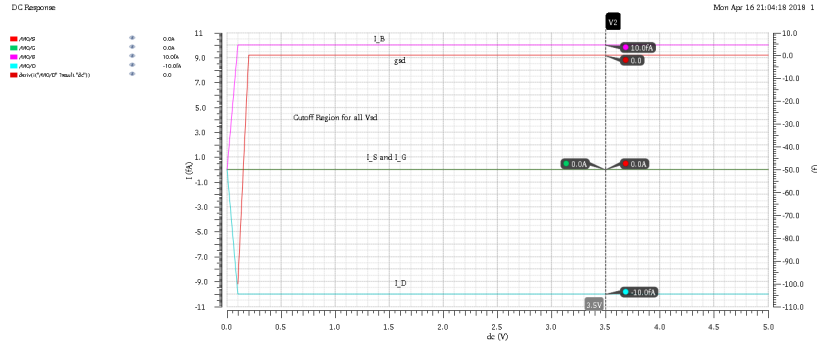


Figure 2: PMOS  $I_D$  versus  $V_{SD}$  when  $V_{SG} = 0V$

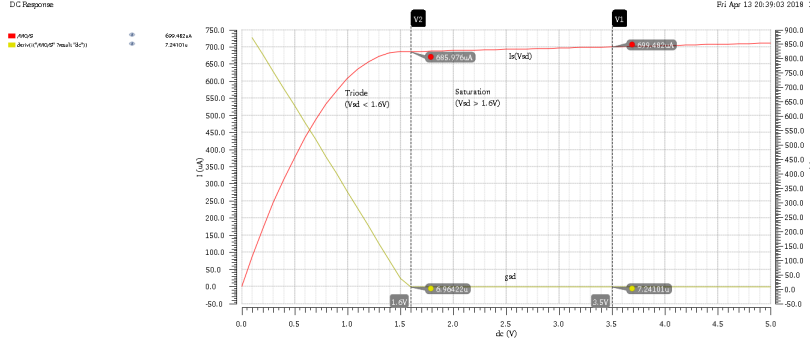


Figure 3: PMOS  $I_D$  versus  $V_{SD}$  when  $V_{SG} = 2.5V$

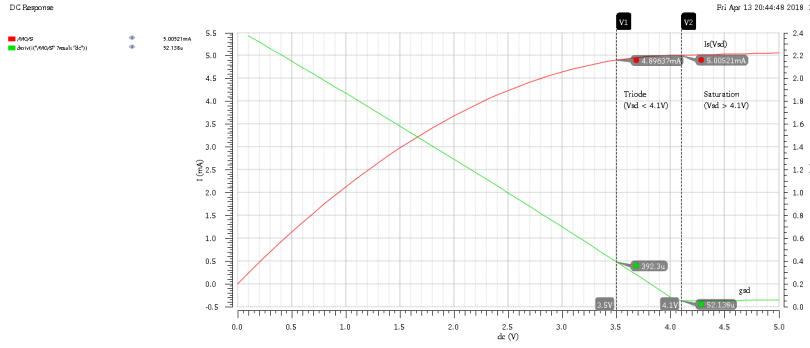


Figure 4: PMOS  $I_D$  versus  $V_{SD}$  when  $V_{SG} = 5.0V$

Table 1: Simulation 4 Results

Vgs [ V ]	gsd from Simulation Curves [ uA / V ]	gsd from DC Operating Point Simulation [ mA / V ]
0	0	0
2.5	7.24	7.249
5.0	392.3	361.6

$\lambda$  for the NMOS and PMOS can be calculated from the given data. Two samples are already taken for each transistor: the current at the edge of saturation and triode  $I_{D1}$  and the current at  $V_{DS} = 3.5V$  (or  $V_{SD}$  in the case of a PMOS). Consider the transistor at  $V_{GS} = 2.5V$  (or  $V_{SG}$  in the case of a PMOS). It operates in saturation at this  $V_{DS}$  (or  $V_{SD}$  value). Therefore, its current is given by  $I_D = I'_D(1 + \lambda V_{DS})$  (or  $V_{SD}$  in the case of a PMOS). So,  $\lambda$  can be determined from a system of equations. The equations are written for the NMOS, but extrapolating to the PMOS is trivial by simply replacing  $V_{DS}$  with  $V_{SD}$ :

$$I_{D1} = I'_D(1 + \lambda V_{DS1}) \quad (1)$$

$$I_{D2} = I'_D(1 + \lambda V_{DS2}) \quad (2)$$

Solving equations (1) and (2) for  $\lambda$  yields:

$$\lambda = \frac{I_{D2} - I_{D1}}{I_{D1}V_{DS2} - I_{D2}V_{DS1}} \quad (3)$$

$\lambda$  for each transistor is presented in table(2). The results are compared with the simulation models.

Table 2: Lambda Calculations for Transistors

	Calculated Lambda	Model-Specified Lambda	Percentage Error
NMOS	0.0051209300	0.0050000000	2.4186002719%
PMOS	0.0105371990	0.0100000000	5.3719898064%

A simpler approach can also be taken to determine  $\lambda$ . For processes with relatively long transistors,  $\lambda$  should not be very large. Because  $\lambda = \frac{1}{V_A}$ , where  $V_A$  is the Early voltage, this implies that  $V_A$  is quite large. So, long as  $V_{DS}$  (or  $V_{SD}$  in the case of a PMOS) is not very large relative to  $V_A$  ( $V_{DS} \ll V_A$ ), the following approximation can be made:

$$I_D = I'_D(1 + \lambda V_{DS}) = I'_D(1 + \frac{V_{DS}}{V_A}) \approx I'_D \quad (4)$$

Therefore,  $g_{ds} = \lambda I'_D \approx \lambda I_D$  for  $V_A \gg V_{DS}$  (or  $V_A \gg V_{SD}$  for a PMOS). So, *lambda* can also be approximated using  $\lambda \approx \frac{g_{ds}}{I_D}$  (or  $g_{sd}$  in the case of a PMOS) provided that these assumptions about the transistor hold.