

## CHAPTER 17

### 17.1

(a) Carriers enter the channel at the source contact and leave the channel (or are "drained") at the drain contact.

(b) Channel...inversion layer beneath the MOS gate which electrically connects the source and drain.

(c) The portion of the characteristics where  $V_D > V_{Dsat}$  for a given  $V_G$  (the approximately horizontal portion of the characteristics) is referred to as the saturation region of operation.

(d) The depletion-inversion transition point voltage and the threshold voltage are one and the same voltage.

(e) There is an additional carrier scattering mechanism in the surface channel of a MOSFET; namely, surface scattering. With increased scattering the mobility decreases.

(f) The square-law name arises from the fact that  $I_{Dsat}$  varies as the square of  $V_{Dsat}$  in this first-order formulation (see Eq. 17.22).

(g) The bulk-charge theory gets its name from the fact that source-to-drain variations in the depletion-layer or "bulk" charge are modeled correctly in the formulation.

(h)  $I_D$  versus  $V_G$  with  $V_D$  held constant.

(i) 
$$g_d \equiv \left. \frac{\partial I_D}{\partial V_D} \right|_{V_G=\text{constant}} ; \quad g_m \equiv \left. \frac{\partial I_D}{\partial V_G} \right|_{V_D=\text{constant}}$$

(j) The source and drain islands in a MOSFET supply the minority carriers required to obtain a low-frequency characteristic. Under inversion conditions minority carriers merely use the surface channel to flow laterally into and out of the MOS gate area in response to the applied ac signal.

17.2

(a)

$$\phi_F = \frac{kT}{q} \ln(N_A/n_i) = 0.0259 \ln(10^{15}/10^{10}) = 0.298V$$

$$V_T = 2\phi_F + \frac{K_S x_0}{K_O} \sqrt{\frac{4qN_A}{K_S \epsilon_0} \phi_F} \quad \dots(17.1a)$$

$$= (2)(0.298) + \frac{(11.8)(5 \times 10^{-6})}{(3.9)} \left[ \frac{(4)(1.6 \times 10^{-19})(10^{15})(0.298)}{(11.8)(8.85 \times 10^{-14})} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$V_T = 0.800 V$$

(b) In the square-law theory

$$I_{Dsat} = \frac{Z \bar{\mu}_n C_o}{2L} (V_G - V_T)^2 \quad \dots(17.22)$$

$$C_o = \frac{K_O \epsilon_0}{x_0} = \frac{(3.9)(8.85 \times 10^{-14})}{(5 \times 10^{-6})} = 6.90 \times 10^{-8} \text{ F/cm}^2$$

$$I_{Dsat} = \frac{(5 \times 10^{-3})(800)(6.9 \times 10^{-8})(2 - 0.8)^2}{(2)(5 \times 10^{-4})} = 0.397 \text{ mA}$$

(c) In the bulk-charge theory we must first determine  $V_{Dsat}$  using Eq.(17.29). We know  $\phi_F$  and  $V_T$  from part (a), but must compute  $V_W$  before substituting into the  $V_{Dsat}$  expression.

$$W_T = \left[ \frac{2K_S \epsilon_0}{qN_A} (2\phi_F) \right]^{1/2} = \left[ \frac{(2)(11.8)(8.85 \times 10^{-14})(2)(0.298)}{(1.6 \times 10^{-19})(10^{15})} \right]^{1/2} = 0.882 \mu\text{m}$$

$$V_W = \frac{qN_A W_T}{C_o} = \frac{(1.6 \times 10^{-19})(10^{15})(8.82 \times 10^{-5})}{(6.90 \times 10^{-8})} = 0.205V$$

Noting that  $V_G - V_T = 1.20V$ , substituting into Eq.(17.29) then gives

$$V_{Dsat} = 1.20 - 0.205 \left\{ \left[ \frac{(1.20)}{(2)(0.298)} + \left( 1 + \frac{(0.205)}{(4)(0.298)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} - \left[ 1 + \frac{(0.205)}{(4)(0.298)} \right] \right\}$$

or

$$V_{Dsat} = 1.06V \quad \dots \text{smaller than } V_{Dsat} \text{ of square-law theory as expected}$$

Now

$$\frac{Z \bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} = \frac{(5 \times 10^{-3})(800)(6.90 \times 10^{-8})}{(5 \times 10^{-4})} = 5.52 \times 10^{-4} \text{ amps/V}^2$$

Finally, substituting into Eq.(17.28) gives  $I_{Dsat}$  if  $V_D = V_{Dsat}$ . Thus

$$I_{Dsat} = (5.52 \times 10^{-4}) \left\{ (1.20)(1.06) - \frac{(1.06)^2}{2} - \frac{4}{3} (0.205)(0.298) \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{(1.06)}{(2)(0.298)} \right)^{3/2} - \left( 1 + \frac{(3)(1.06)}{(4)(0.298)} \right) \right] \right\}$$

$$I_{Dsat} = 0.349 \text{ mA} \quad \Leftarrow \text{bulk charge result (smaller than the square-law result as expected)}$$

(d) Clearly here the device is biased below pinch-off. From Table 17.1 we note that both the square-law and bulk-charge theories reduce to the same result if  $V_D = 0$ .

$$g_d = \frac{Z \bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} (V_G - V_T) = (5.52 \times 10^{-4})(2 - 0.8) = 0.662 \text{ mS}$$

(e) In the square-law theory,  $V_{Dsat} = V_G - V_T$ . Thus  $V_{Dsat} = 1.20V$  and  $V_D = 2V$ . Since  $V_D > V_{Dsat}$ , the device is saturation (above-pinch-off) biased, and from Table 17.1

$$g_m = \frac{Z \bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} (V_G - V_T) = 0.662 \text{ mS} \quad \dots \text{same as } g_d \text{ of part (d)}$$

(f) In part (c) we calculated the bulk-charge  $V_{Dsat} = 1.06V$ . Since  $V_D > V_{Dsat}$ , the device is above-pinch-off biased, and from Table 17.1

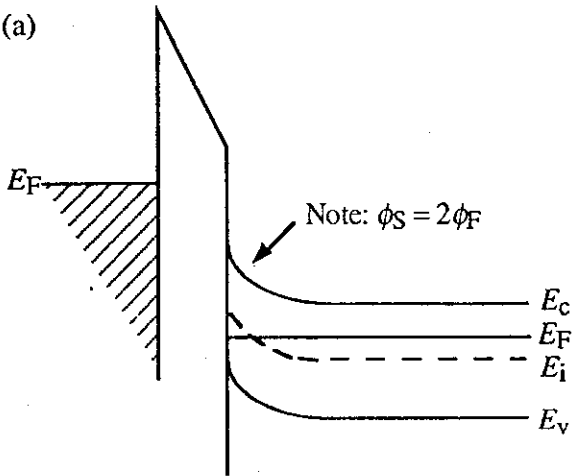
$$g_m = \frac{Z \bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} V_{Dsat} = (5.52 \times 10^{-4})(1.06) = 0.585 \text{ mS}$$

(g) For the applied  $V_G = 2V$ ,  $V_{Dsat} = 1.20V$  in the square-law theory and  $V_{Dsat} = 1.06V$  in the bulk-charge theory. Since in either case  $V_D < V_{Dsat}$ , we can utilize the second form of Eq.(17.37).

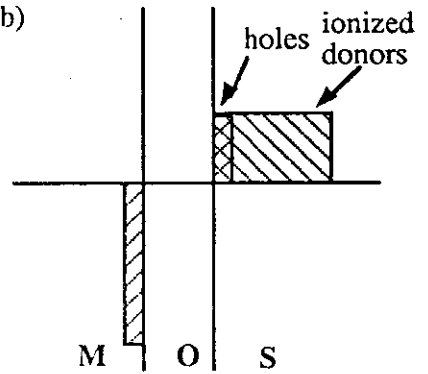
$$f_{max} = \frac{\bar{\mu}_n V_D}{2\pi L^2} = \frac{(800)(1)}{(2\pi)(5 \times 10^{-4})^2} = 509 \text{ MHz}$$

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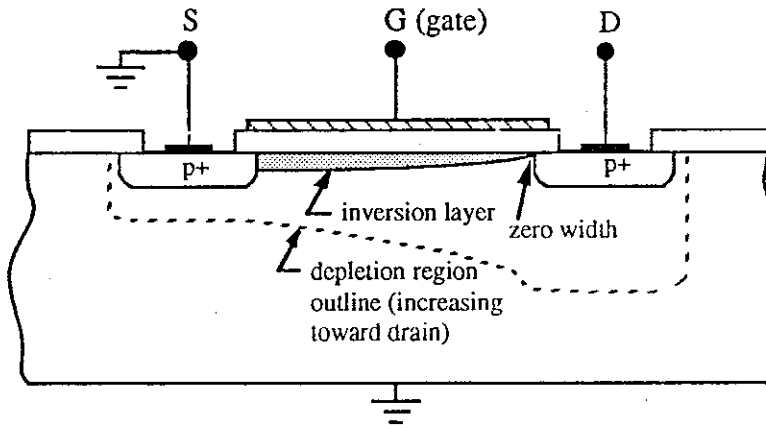
(a)



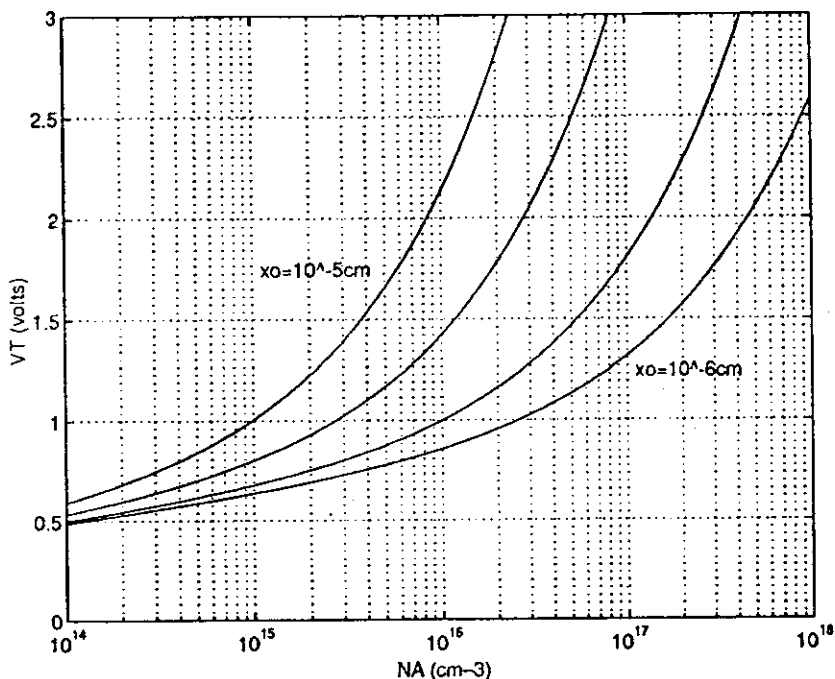
(b)



(c)



## 17.4



MATLAB program script...

%Problem 17.4...VT vs. NA with xo as a parameter

%Initialization

clear; close

%Constants and Parameters

q=1.6e-19; e0=8.85e-14;

kT=0.0259; ni=1.0e10;

KS=11.8; KO=3.9;

NA=logspace(14,18);

xo=[1.0e-6 2.0e-6 5.0e-6 1.0e-5];

%VT Computation

øF=kT.\*log(NA./ni);

for i=1:4,

    xoo=xo(i);

    VT= 2 .\*øF+((KS\*xoo)/KO) .\*sqrt((4 .\*q.\*NA.\*øF)./(KS\*e0));

    semilogx(NA,VT); axis([1.0e14,1.0e18,0,3])

    hold on

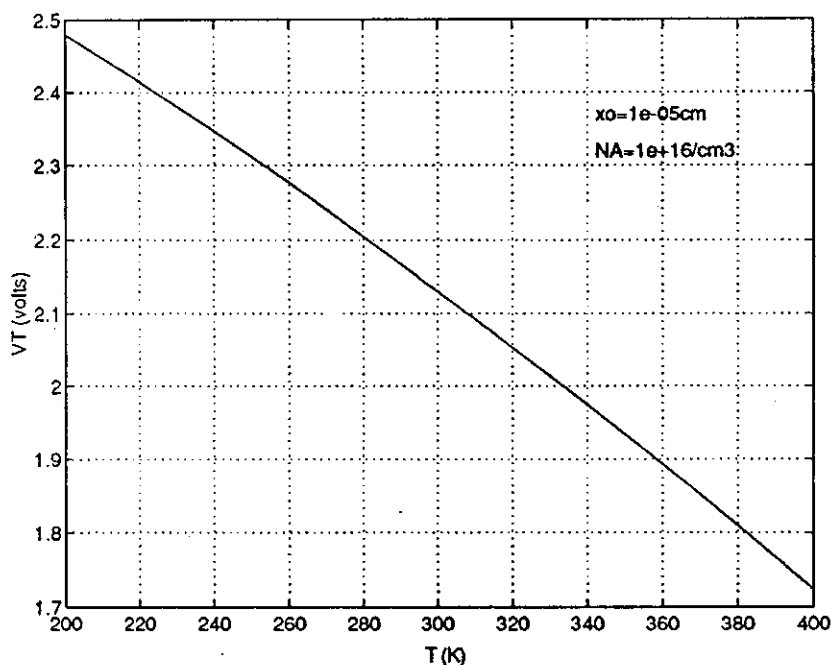
end

grid; xlabel('NA (cm-3)'); ylabel('VT (volts)')

text(1.1e17,1.25,'xo=10^-6cm'); text(1.1e15,1.75,'xo=10^-5cm');

hold off

## 17.5



The threshold voltage is seen to decrease in an almost linear fashion with increasing  $T$ .

MATLAB program script...

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%Problem 17.5...VT vs. T
%Initialization
clear; close
%Constants and Parameters
q=1.6e-19; k=8.617e-5;
e0=8.85e-14;
KS=11.8; KO=3.9;
T=linspace(200,400);
kT=k.*T;
xo=input('Input the oxide thickness in cm, xo = ');
NA=input('Input the Si doping in cm-3, NA = ');
%ni versus T
%Constants
A=2.510e19;
Eex=0.0074;
%Band Gap vs. T
EG0=1.17;
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a=4.730e-4;
b=636;
EG=EG0-a.*(T.^2)./(T+b);
%Effective mass ratio (mnr=mn*/m0, mpr=mp*/m0)
mnr=1.028 + (6.11e-4).*T - (3.09e-7).*T.^2;
mpr=0.610 + (7.83e-4).*T - (4.46e-7).*T.^2;
%Computation of ni
ni=A.*((T./300).^ (1.5)).*((mnr.*mpr).^ (0.75)).*exp(-(EG-Eex)./(2
.*k.*T));
%VT Computation
øF=kT.*log(NA./ni);
VT= 2 .*øF+((KS*xo)/(KO)).*sqrt((4 .*q.*NA.*øF)./(KS*e0));
plot(T,VT); grid
xlabel('T (K)'); ylabel('VT (volts)')
text(342,2.37,['xo=',num2str(xo),'cm'])
text(342,2.32,['NA=',num2str(NA),' /cm3'])

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## 17.6

Differentiating Eq.(17.17) with respect to  $V_D$  with  $V_G$  held constant yields

$$\left. \frac{\partial I_D}{\partial V_D} \right|_{V_G=\text{constant}} = \frac{Z \bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} (V_G - V_T - V_D) \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 0$$

Solving we obtain

$$V_G - V_T - V_{D\text{sat}} = 0$$

or

$$V_{D\text{sat}} = V_G - V_T$$

## 17.7

$$J_P \equiv J_{Py} \equiv q \mu_{np} \mathcal{E}_y \equiv -q \mu_{np} \frac{d\phi}{dy} \quad (17.7')$$

$$I_D = \int \int J_{Py} dx dz = Z \int_0^{x_c(y)} J_{Py} dx \quad (17.8a')$$

(Note that  $I_D$  is defined to be positive flowing *out-of* the drain.)

$$I_D = \left( -Z \frac{d\phi}{dy} \right) \left( q \int_0^{x_c(y)} \mu_p(x,y) p(x,y) dx \right) \quad (17.8b')$$

$$Q_P(y) = q \int_0^{x_c(y)} p(x,y) dx \quad (17.3')$$

$$\bar{\mu}_p = \frac{q}{Q_P(y)} \int_0^{x_c(y)} \mu_p(x,y) p(x,y) dx \quad (17.4')$$

$$I_D = -Z \bar{\mu}_p Q_P \frac{d\phi}{dy} \quad (17.9')$$

$$\int_0^L I_D dy = I_D L = -Z \int_0^{V_D} \bar{\mu}_p Q_P d\phi \quad (17.10')$$

$$I_D = -\frac{Z \bar{\mu}_p}{L} \int_0^{V_D} Q_P d\phi \quad (\text{NOTE: } V_D \leq 0, \text{ which gives } I_D \text{ the correct sign.}) \quad (17.11')$$

$$\Delta Q_{\text{gate}} = -\Delta Q_{\text{scmi}} \equiv -Q_P \quad (17.12')$$

$$\Delta Q_{\text{gate}} = C_o(V_G - V_T) \quad (17.13')$$

$$Q_P \equiv -C_o(V_G - V_T) \quad (17.14')$$

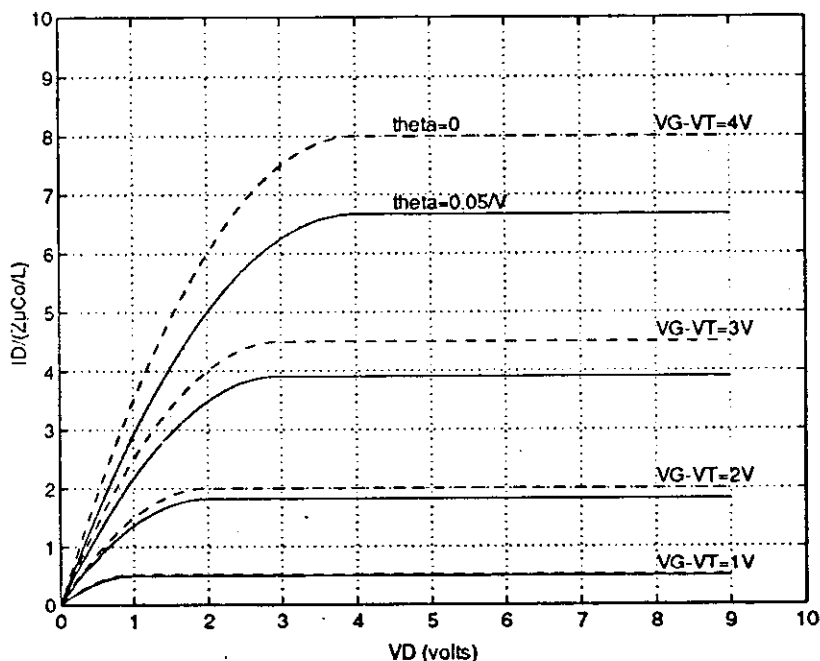
$$Q_P(y) \equiv -C_o(V_G - V_T - \phi) \quad (17.16')$$

$$I_D = \frac{Z \bar{\mu}_p C_o}{L} [(V_G - V_T)V_D - V_D^2/2] \quad \begin{array}{l} \dots 0 \geq V_D \geq V_{D\text{sat}} \\ \dots V_G \leq V_T \end{array} \quad (17.17')$$

Note that Eq.(17.17') is the same as the text Eq.(17.17) except  $\bar{\mu}_n \rightarrow \bar{\mu}_p$  and there is a polarity reversal in the inequalities specifying the range of valid  $V_D$  and  $V_G$  values.



## 17.8



MATLAB program script...

%Problem 17.8...effective mobility per Eq. (17.5)

%ID-VD Characteristics /// Square-Law Theory

%Initialization

clear; close

%Let VGT = VG - VT;

for VGT=4:-1:1,

    %Primary Computation

    VD=linspace(0,VGT);

    ID0=VGT.\*VD-VD.\*VD./2;

    ID0sat=VGT\*VGT/2;

    ID0=[ID0,ID0sat];

    ID1=(VGT.\*VD-VD.\*VD./2)./(1+0.05\*VGT);

    ID1sat=(VGT\*VGT/2)/(1+0.05\*VGT);

    ID1=[ID1,ID1sat];

    VD=[VD,9];

    %Plotting and Labeling

    if VGT==4,

        plot(VD,ID0,'g--',VD,ID1,'r'); grid

        axis([0 10 0 10])

        xlabel('VD (volts)'); ylabel('ID/(2μCo/L)')

        text(8,ID0sat+0.2,'VG-VT=4V')

        text(4.5,ID0sat+0.2,'theta=0')

        text(4.5,ID1sat+0.2,'theta=0.05/V')

        hold on

    else,

        plot(VD,ID0,'g--',VD,ID1,'r');

    %Labeling of VG-VT curves < 4

    if VGT==3,

        text(8,ID0sat+0.2,'VG-VT=3V');

    elseif VGT==2,

        text(8,ID0sat+0.2,'VG-VT=2V');

    else,

        text(8,ID0sat+0.2,'VG-VT=1V');

    end

    end

end

### 17.9

(a) From Fig. P17.9 we note in general that

$$V_G = V_D + V_B \quad \text{or} \quad V_D = V_G - V_B$$

In the square-law formulation  $V_{D\text{sat}} = V_G - V_T$ . If  $V_B = V_T/2$ , then  $V_D = V_G - V_T/2 > V_{D\text{sat}}$  and the MOSFET is *always biased into saturation*. Noting  $I_D = 0$  if  $V_G < V_T$  or  $V_D < V_T/2$ , and using Eq.(17.22), we conclude

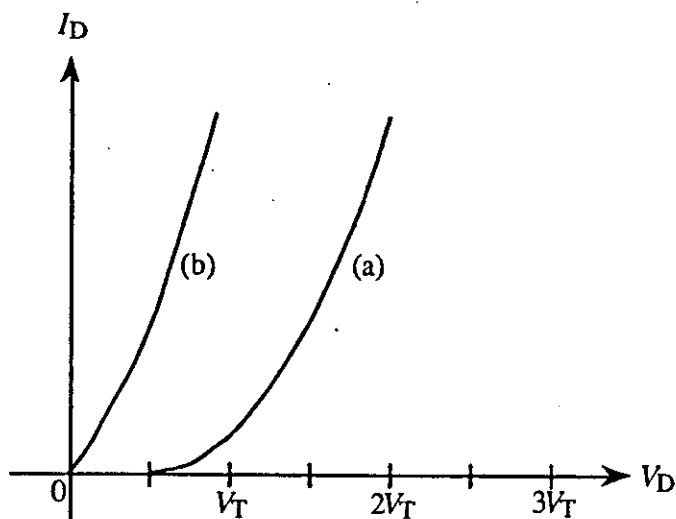
$$I_D = \frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n C_o}{2L} (V_G - V_T)^2 = \frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n C_o}{2L} (V_D - V_T/2)^2 \quad \dots V_D > V_T/2$$

and

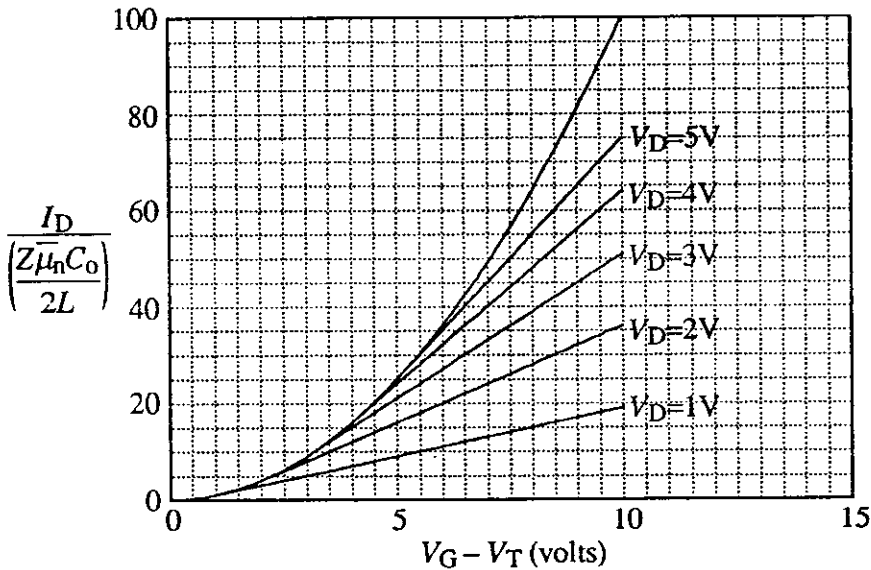
$$I_D = 0 \quad \dots V_D < V_T/2$$

(b) If  $V_B = 2V_T$ , then  $V_D = V_G - 2V_T < V_G - V_T = V_{D\text{sat}}$  and the MOSFET is always biased in the linear region of operation. The device turns on for  $V_G > V_T$  or  $V_D > -V_T$  and is therefore on for all  $V_D \geq 0$ . Using Eq.(17.17) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} I_D &= \frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} [(V_G - V_T)V_D - V_D^2/2] = \frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} [(V_D + V_T)V_D - V_D^2/2] \\ &= \frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} (V_D^2/2 + V_T V_D) = \frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n C_o}{2L} [(V_D + V_T)^2 - V_T^2] \quad \dots V_D \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$



Note that both curves have the same general shape; the part (b) curve is simply shifted to the left and displaced downward.



The above  $I_D$  versus  $V_G - V_T$  characteristics were arrived at as follows:

(i) Suppose we systematically increase  $V_G - V_T$  from zero with  $V_D$  held constant. Initially  $V_D$  is greater than  $V_G - V_T$  and the device is in saturation. (Use is being made of the square-law theory.) Thus initially

$$I_D = I_{Dsat} = \frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n C_o}{2L} (V_G - V_T)^2$$

and we conclude  $I_D$  varies as the square of  $V_G - V_T$  if  $V_G - V_T < V_D$ .

(ii) When  $V_G - V_T$  becomes equal to  $V_D$ , the device moves into the linear region of operation. In the linear region

$$I_D = \frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} [(V_G - V_T)V_D - V_D^2/2]$$

and  $I_D$  varies linearly with  $V_G - V_T$ .

(iii) With increased  $V_D$ , one stays on the voltage-squared part of the curve for a longer and longer range of voltages. Once  $V_G - V_T > V_D$ , a linear region whose slope increases with increasing  $V_D$  is observed.

17.11

(a)

$$J_N = J_{Nr} = q\mu_n n \mathcal{E}_r = -q\mu_n n \frac{d\phi}{dr} \quad (17.7')$$

If the  $z$ -direction points from the surface into the bulk,

$$\begin{aligned} I_D &= - \int \int J_{Nr} dz d\theta = - \int_0^{z_c} 2\pi r J_{Nr} dz \quad \dots z_c \text{ is the channel depth} \\ &= \left( -2\pi r \frac{d\phi}{dr} \right) \left( -q \int_0^{z_c} \mu_n n dz \right) \end{aligned} \quad (17.8')$$

Since the second quantity enclosed in parentheses above is just  $\bar{\mu}_n Q_N$ , we can write

$$I_D = -2\pi r \bar{\mu}_n Q_N \frac{d\phi}{dr} \quad (17.9')$$

Integrating over the  $r$ -width of the channel,

$$\int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{I_D}{2\pi r} dr = \frac{I_D}{2\pi} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{dr}{r} = \frac{I_D}{2\pi} \ln(r_2/r_1) = -\bar{\mu}_n \int_0^{V_D} Q_N d\phi \quad (17.10')$$

and

$$I_D = -\frac{2\pi}{\ln(r_2/r_1)} \bar{\mu}_n \int_0^{V_D} Q_N d\phi \quad (17.11')$$

The change in geometry does not modify Eqs.(17.12) through (17.16). Thus

$$Q_N = -C_0(V_G - V_T - \phi)$$

and

$$I_D = \frac{2\pi}{\ln(r_2/r_1)} \bar{\mu}_n C_0 [(V_G - V_T)V_D - V_D^2/2]$$

(b) Setting  $r_2 = r_1 + L$ , we can write

$$\ln(r_2/r_1) = \ln\left(\frac{r_1+L}{r_1}\right) = \ln(1 + L/r_1)$$

If  $L/r_1 \ll 1$

$$\ln(1 + L/r_1) = (L/r_1) - \frac{1}{2}(L/r_1)^2 + \dots \cong L/r_1$$

Thus

$$\frac{2\pi}{\ln(r_2/r_1)} \rightarrow \frac{2\pi r_1}{L} = \frac{Z}{L}$$

and one obtains the usual  $I_D - V_D$  result.

### 17.12

(a) Utilizing the Eq. (17.22) square-law result,

$$I_{Dsat} = \frac{Z \bar{\mu}_n C_o}{2L} (V_G - V_T)^2$$

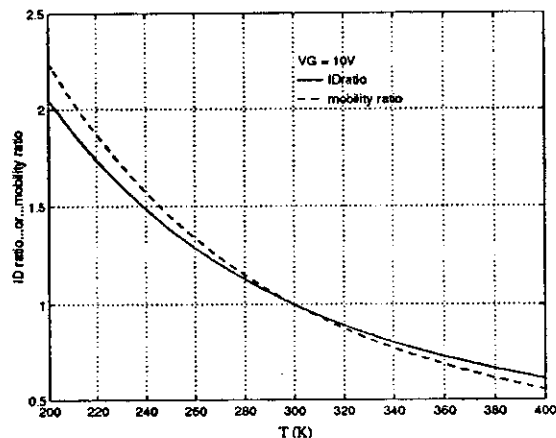
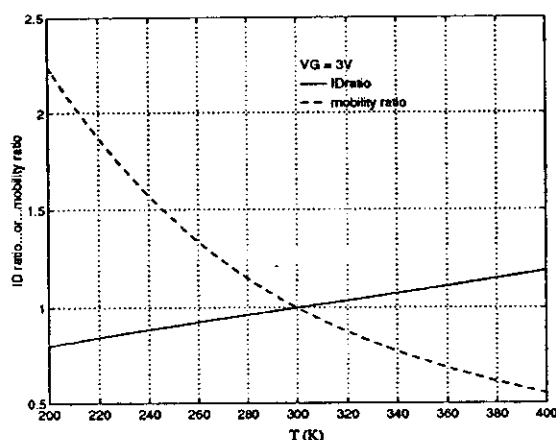
and

$$\frac{I_{Dsat}(T)}{I_{Dsat}(300K)} = \frac{\bar{\mu}_n(T)}{\bar{\mu}_n(300K)} \left[ \frac{V_G - V_T(T)}{V_G - V_T(300K)} \right]^2$$

Assuming  $\bar{\mu}_n$  has the same temperature dependence as  $\mu_n$  (and neglecting any differences in the effective mobility as a function of temperature that may result from operating at slightly different  $V_G - V_T$  points), we obtain the computational expression

$$\frac{I_{Dsat}(T)}{I_{Dsat}(300K)} = \frac{\mu_n(T)}{\mu_n(300K)} \left[ \frac{V_G - V_T(T)}{V_G - V_T(300K)} \right]^2$$

(b)



The results here are rather interesting. If the device is  $V_G$  biased far above turn-on, then the  $V_G - V_T$  term in the part (a) expression becomes approximately unity and the characteristics exhibit essentially the same temperature dependence as the mobility — generally decreasing with temperature. However, the threshold voltage change with temperature is sufficiently large that a totally different  $I_{Dsat}$  temperature-dependence is observed if the chosen  $V_G$  is only slightly greater than  $V_T$ . — The change in the degree of surface inversion becomes more important than the change in mobility.

It should be noted that in performing the computations the  $\mu_n$  value in  $N_A$ -doped Si was assumed to be the same as that in equivalently  $N_D$ -doped Si.

MATLAB program script...

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%Problem 17.12...IDsat(T)/IDsat(300K) vs. T
%Initialization
clear; close

%Constants and Parameters
q=1.6e-19;
k=8.617e-5;
KS=11.8;
KO=3.9;
e0=8.85e-14;
T=linspace(200,400,101); %Note: T(51)=300K;
kT=k.*T;
xo=1.0e-5;
NA=1.0e16;
VG=input('Input gate voltage in volts, VG = ');
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%ni versus T
%Constants
A=2.510e19;
Eex=0.0074;
%Band Gap vs. T
EG0=1.17;
a=4.730e-4;
b=636;
EG=EG0-a.*(T.^2)./(T+b);
%Effective mass ratio (mnr=mn*/m0, mpr=mp*/m0)
mnr=1.028 + (6.11e-4).*T - (3.09e-7).*T.^2;
mpr=0.610 + (7.83e-4).*T - (4.46e-7).*T.^2;
%Computation of ni
ni=A.*((T./300).^(1.5)).*((mnr.*mpr).^(0.75)).*exp(-(EG-Eex)./(2
.*k.*T));
%VT Computation
øF=kT.*log(NA./ni);
VT= 2 .*øF+((KS*xo)/KO).*sqrt((4 .*q.*NA.*øF)./(KS*e0));
%Mobility Computation
%Fit Parameters
NDref=1.3e17; TNref=2.4;
µnmin=92; Tµnmin=-0.57;
µn0=1268; Tµn0=-2.33;
an=0.91; Ta=-0.146;
%Mobility Calculation
NDrefT=NDref*(T./300).^TNref;
µnminT=µnmin.*(T./300).^Tµnmin;
µn0T=µn0.*(T./300).^Tµn0;
anT=an.*(T./300).^Ta;
µn=µnminT+µn0T./(1+(NA./NDrefT).^anT);
%IDSat Computation and Plot
%IDratio=IDSat(T)/IDSat(300K) and µnratio=µn(T)/µn(300K);
µnratio=µn/µn(51);
IDratio=µnratio.*((VG-VT)/(VG-VT(51))).^2;
%Plotting result
plot(T,IDratio,T,µnratio,'g--'); grid
xlabel('T (K)'); ylabel('ID ratio...or...mobility ratio')
%Key
text(302,2.25,['VG = ',num2str(VG),'V'])
x=[302,312]; y1=[2.15,2.15]; y2=[2.05,2.05]
hold on; plot(x,y1,x,y2,'g--')
text(314,2.15,'IDratio')
text(314,2.05,'mobility ratio')
hold off

```

### 17.13

With  $R_S$  and  $R_D$  taken into account, the channel voltages at  $y=0$  and  $y=L$  become  $V(0) = I_D R_S$  and  $V(L) = V_D - I_D R_D$ . Inserting the revised voltage limits into Eq. (17.10), and likewise modifying Eq. (17.11), we obtain

$$I_D = -\frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n}{L} \int_{I_D R_S}^{V_D - I_D R_D} Q_N d\phi \quad (17.11')$$

where in the square-law theory

$$Q_N = -C_o(V_G - V_T - \phi) \quad (17.16)$$

Substituting the Eq. (17.16) expression for  $Q_N$  into Eq. (17.11') and integrating yields

$$I_D = \frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} \left\{ (V_G - V_T)[V_D - I_D(R_S + R_D)] - \frac{(V_D - I_D R_D)^2}{2} + \frac{(I_D R_S)^2}{2} \right\}$$

or

$$I_D = \frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} \left\{ (V_G - I_D R_S - V_T)[V_D - I_D(R_S + R_D)] - \frac{[V_D - I_D(R_S + R_D)]^2}{2} \right\} \quad (17.17')$$

Turning next to the modification of Eq. (17.21), we note that when  $V_D = V_{Dsat}$ ,  $Q_N(L) = 0$ ,  $\phi(L) = V_{Dsat} - I_{Dsat} R_D$ , and from Eq. (17.16),

$$0 = -C_o[V_G - V_T - (V_{Dsat} - I_{Dsat} R_D)]$$

or

$$V_{Dsat} - I_{Dsat} R_D = V_G - V_T \quad (17.21')$$

Finally, setting  $V_D = V_{Dsat}$  and  $I_D = I_{Dsat}$  in Eq. (17.17'), and simplifying the result using Eq. (17.21'), one obtains

$$I_{Dsat} = \frac{Z\bar{\mu}_n C_o}{2L} (V_G - I_{Dsat} R_S - V_T)^2 \quad (17.22')$$

Note that replacing  $V_D$  by  $V_D - I_D(R_S + R_D)$  and  $V_G$  by  $V_G - I_D R_S$  in Eqs. (17.17), (17.21), and (17.22) does indeed yield Eqs. (17.17'), (17.21'), and (17.22').



### 17.14

Following the text suggestion, we set  $Q_N(L) = 0$  in Eq.(17.27) when  $V(L) = V_D \rightarrow V_{Dsat}$ .

$$Q_N(L) = -C_o [V_G - V_T - V_{Dsat} - V_W (\sqrt{1 + V_{Dsat}/2\phi_F} - 1)] \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 0$$

or

$$V_G - V_T - V_{Dsat} - V_W (\sqrt{1 + V_{Dsat}/2\phi_F} - 1) = 0$$

Manipulating the preceding into a form which can be solved for  $V_{Dsat}$  we note

$$V_G - V_T + V_W - V_{Dsat} = V_W \sqrt{1 + V_{Dsat}/2\phi_F}$$

Squaring

$$V_{Dsat}^2 - 2(V_G - V_T + V_W)V_{Dsat} + (V_G - V_T + V_W)^2 = V_W^2 + V_W^2 V_{Dsat}/2\phi_F$$

or

$$V_{Dsat}^2 - \left[ \frac{V_W^2}{2\phi_F} + 2(V_G - V_T + V_W) \right] V_{Dsat} + (V_G - V_T + V_W)^2 - V_W^2 = 0$$

Solving the quadratic equation gives

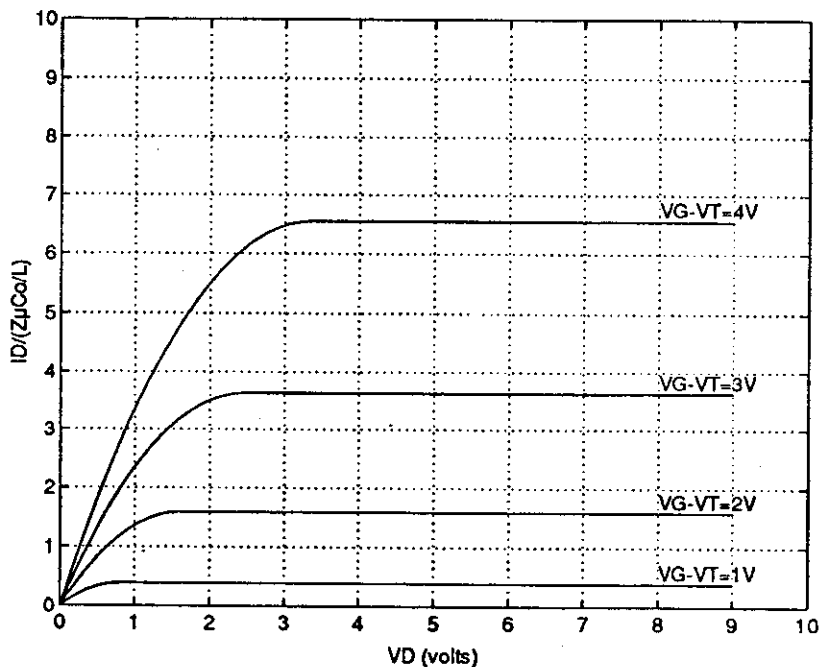
$$\begin{aligned} V_{Dsat} &= \frac{V_W^2}{4\phi_F} + (V_G - V_T + V_W) \pm \left\{ \left[ \frac{V_W^2}{4\phi_F} + (V_G - V_T + V_W) \right]^2 - (V_G - V_T + V_W)^2 + V_W^2 \right\}^{1/2} \\ &= V_G - V_T + V_W \left( 1 + \frac{V_W}{4\phi_F} \right) \pm \left[ \left( \frac{V_W^2}{4\phi_F} \right)^2 + 2 \frac{V_W^2}{4\phi_F} (V_G - V_T + V_W) + V_W^2 \right]^{1/2} \\ &= V_G - V_T + V_W \left( 1 + \frac{V_W}{4\phi_F} \right) \pm V_W \left[ \left( \frac{V_W}{4\phi_F} \right)^2 + 2 \frac{V_W}{4\phi_F} + \frac{V_G - V_T}{2\phi_F} \right]^{1/2} \\ &= V_G - V_T + V_W \left( 1 + \frac{V_W}{4\phi_F} \right) \pm V_W \left[ \frac{V_G - V_T}{2\phi_F} + \left( 1 + \frac{V_W}{4\phi_F} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

Note that if the (+) root is chosen  $V_{Dsat}(+root) > V_G - V_T$ . Choosing the (-) root on the other hand yields  $V_{Dsat} < (V_G - V_T)$ . As discussed in the text, in the bulk-charge formulation, part of the change in the gate charge goes into balancing changes in the depletion-layer charge. Thus, there is less inversion-layer charge at a given  $V_G$  relative to the square-law formulation. Consequently  $V_{Dsat}$  occurs at a lower voltage than  $V_G - V_T$ . We choose the (-) root and slightly rearrange our result to finally obtain Eq.(17.29).

$$V_{Dsat} = V_G - V_T - V_W \left\{ \left[ \frac{V_G - V_T}{2\phi_F} + \left( 1 + \frac{V_W}{4\phi_F} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} - \left( 1 + \frac{V_W}{4\phi_F} \right) \right\}$$

### 17.15

The required computer program and a sample output is reproduced below.



MATLAB program script...

```
%ID-VD Characteristics /// Bulk-Charge Theory
%Initialization
clear; close
%Constants and Parameters
q=1.60e-19;
e0=8.85e-14;
kT=0.0259;
ni=1.0e10;
KS=11.8;
KO=3.9;
NA=input('input the doping in cm-3, NA = ');
xo=input('input the oxide thickness in cm, xo = ');
%Computed Parameters
øF=kT*log(NA/ni);
WT=sqrt((4*KS*e0*øF)/(q*NA));
Co=KO*e0/xo;
VW=q*NA*WT/Co;
```

17.16 (Solution not supplied.)

17.17 (Solution merely involves straightforward mathematical manipulations.)

17.18

(a) Given  $V_D = 0$ , then  $\phi(y) = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} Q_N(\text{all } y) &= -C_o(V_G - V_T) = \frac{K_O \epsilon_0}{x_o} (V_G - V_T) = \frac{(3.9)(8.85 \times 10^{-14})(2)}{5 \times 10^{-6}} \\ &= -1.38 \times 10^{-7} \text{ coul/cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad g_{d|V_D=0} &= \frac{Z \bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} (V_G - V_T) \quad \dots \text{making use of Table 17.1} \\ &= -\frac{Z \bar{\mu}_n Q_N}{L} = \frac{(70 \times 10^{-4})(550)(1.38 \times 10^{-7})}{7 \times 10^{-4}} \\ &= 7.59 \times 10^{-4} \text{ S} \end{aligned}$$

17.19

$|V_T|$  is the same in ideal  $p$ -channel and  $n$ -channel MOSFETs with the same  $x_o$  and bulk doping concentration. Thus, with the devices also equivalently biased, one concludes from Table 17.1 that the same  $g_m$ 's will result if

$$\frac{Z_p}{L_p} \bar{\mu}_p = \frac{Z_n}{L_n} \bar{\mu}_n$$

where the subscripts indicate the channel type. This same conclusion is reached whether one uses the square-law theory or bulk-charge theory and whether the devices are biased below or above pinch-off.

Next, examining the first form of Eq. (17.37), we again quite generally conclude that  $C_O(p\text{-channel})$  must equal  $C_O(n\text{-channel})$  for the  $f_{\max}$  values to be the same. Since  $C_O = K_O \epsilon_0 Z L / x_o$ , we therefore require

$$Z_p L_p = Z_n L_n$$

```

%ID-VD Computation and Plot
for VGT=4:-1:1,    %VGT = VG - VT;
%Compuation
A=VGT/(2*øF); B=1+VW/(4*øF);
VDSat=VGT-VW*(sqrt(A+B^2)-B);
VD=linspace(0,VDSat);
ID1=VGT.*VD-VW.*VD/2;
VDF=VD./(2*øF);
ID2=(4/3)*VW*øF.*((1+VDF).^1.5-(1+1.5*VDF));
ID=ID1-ID2;
IDSat1=VGT.*VDSat-VDSat.*VDSat/2;
VDFsat=VDSat./(2*øF);
IDSat2=(4/3)*VW*øF.*((1+VDFsat).^1.5-(1+1.5*VDFsat));
IDSat=IDSat1-IDSat2;
VD=[VD,9];
ID=[ID,IDSat];
%Plotting and Primary Labeling
if VGT==4,
plot(VD,ID); grid;
axis([0 10 0 10]);
xlabel('VD (volts)'); ylabel('ID/(ZμCo/L)');
text(8,IDSat+0.2,'VG-VT=4V');
hold on
else,
plot(VD,ID);
%The following 'if' labels VG-VT curves < 4
if VGT==3,
text(8,IDSat+0.2,'VG-VT=3V');
elseif VGT==2,
text(8,IDSat+0.2,'VG-VT=2V');
else,
text(8,IDSat+0.2,'VG-VT=1V');
end
end
end
hold off

```

Substituting  $Z_p$  from the first relationship into the second relationship and simplifying, one obtains

$$L_p = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_p}{\mu_n}} L_n$$

and

$$Z_p = \frac{Z_n L_n}{L_p} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_n}{\mu_p}} Z_n$$

The mobilities deduced from Fig. 3.5a yield  $\bar{\mu}_n = \mu_n/2 = 673 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-sec}$  and  $\bar{\mu}_p = \mu_p/2 = 229 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-sec}$ . Thus the required  $p$ -channel device dimensions are

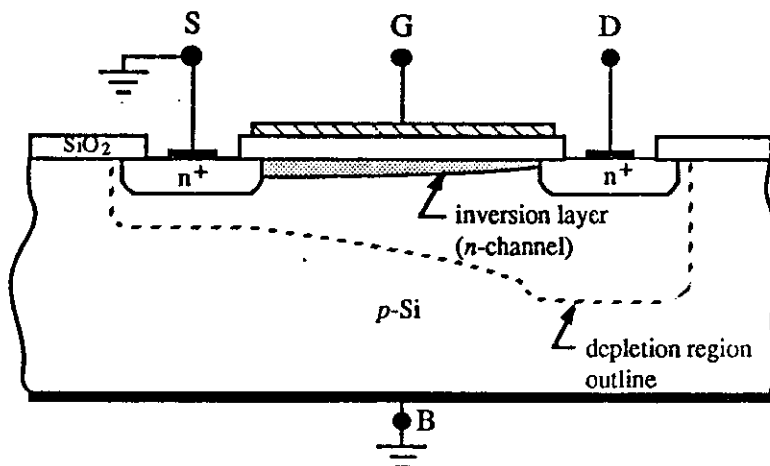
$$Z = \sqrt{673/229} \times 50 = 85.7 \mu\text{m}$$

and

$$L = \sqrt{229/673} \times 5 = 2.92 \mu\text{m}$$

### 17.20

(a) Since the applied  $V_D$  is greater than zero, we infer the given MOSFET is an  $n$ -channel device. Also, at point (1) the MOSFET is biased below saturation. Thus the channel narrows near the drain but is not pinched-off.



(b) In the square-law theory  $V_{Dsat} = V_G - V_T$ . Thus

$$V_G = V_{Dsat} + V_T = 6V$$

(c) The point (2) bias corresponds to the pinch-off point. At the pinch-off point, and based on the square-law theory, the charge in the MOSFET channel goes to zero at the drain.

$$Q_N(L) = 0$$

(d) With  $V_D = 4V$  and  $V_G - V_T = 3V$ ,  $V_D > V_{Dsat} = V_G - V_T$ . Consequently, for the readjusted gate voltage, the MOSFET is being operated in the saturation region. Since  $I_{Dsat} \propto (V_G - V_T)^2$ , it follows that

$$\frac{I_{Dsat1}}{I_{Dsat2}} = \left( \frac{V_{G1} - V_T}{V_{G2} - V_T} \right)^2$$

Here identifying the desired  $I_D = I_{Dsat1}$  ( $V_{G1} - V_T = 3V$ ) and  $I_{Dsat2} = 10^{-3}A$  ( $V_{G2} - V_T = 5V$ ) from the given characteristics, we conclude

$$I_D = (10^{-3}) \left( \frac{3}{5} \right)^2 = 3.6 \times 10^{-4} A$$

(e) By definition  $g_d = \partial I_D / \partial V_D$  with  $V_G$  held constant. Inspecting the given characteristic, we conclude  $\partial I_D / \partial V_D = 0$  at bias point (3) and  $g_d = 0$ . Alternatively, in the saturation region of operation,  $I_{Dsat}$  is not a function of  $V_D$ . Consequently  $\partial I_{Dsat} / \partial V_D = 0$  and  $g_d = 0$ .

(f) At bias point (3) the MOSFET is in the above pinch-off region of operation and from Table 17.1

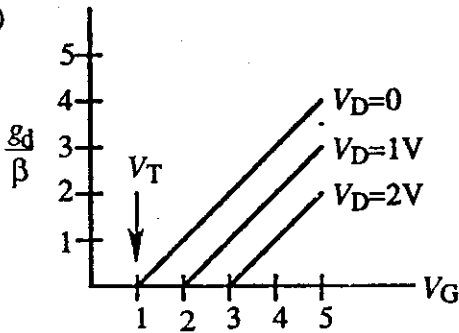
$$g_m = \frac{Z \bar{\mu}_n C_o}{L} (V_G - V_T) = \frac{2I_{Dsat}}{V_G - V_T} = \frac{(2)(10^{-3})}{5} = 4 \times 10^{-4} S$$

(g) For an  $n$ -channel ( $p$ -bulk) MOSFET, one expects a low-frequency MOS-C type characteristic similar to that displayed in Fig. 17.13(b).

17.21

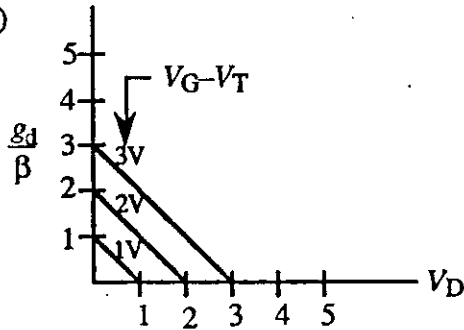
Making use of Table 17.1 and defining  $\beta = Z \bar{\mu}_n C_o / L$ , we conclude:

(a)



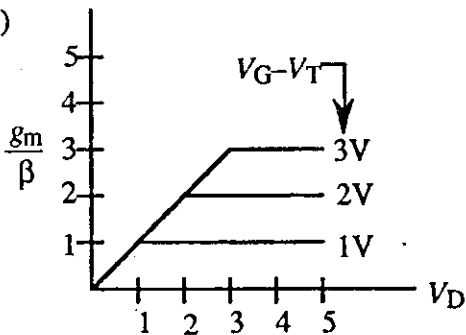
$$\frac{g_d}{\beta} = \begin{cases} 0 & \dots V_G - V_T \leq V_D \\ V_G - V_T - V_D & \dots V_G - V_T \geq V_D \end{cases}$$

(b)



$$\frac{g_d}{\beta} = \begin{cases} V_G - V_T - V_D & \dots V_D \leq V_G - V_T \\ 0 & \dots V_D \geq V_G - V_T \end{cases}$$

(c)



$$\frac{g_m}{\beta} = \begin{cases} V_D & \dots V_D \leq V_G - V_T \\ V_G - V_T & \dots V_D \geq V_G - V_T \end{cases}$$

## 17.22

There is of course no set answer to this question. The answer, however, should include some of the following points:

Externally the J-FET and MOSFET yield similar electrical characteristics and even appear similar physically, with the terminal leads being designated the source, drain, and gate.

The gate voltage in both devices determines the maximum conductance of the internal channel. However, there are major differences in the nature of the conducting channel and the substructure used to modulate the channel conductance. The J-FET channel is a narrow piece of bulk material; in the basic transistor configuration the MOSFET channel is an inversion layer which is created by the applied gate voltage. Manipulation of the channel conductance is accomplished by reverse biasing a  $pn$  junction in the J-FET; the MOSFET channel conductance is modulated by the bias applied to the MOS structure.

The first and even second-order quantitative analyses leading to the dc characteristics are quite similar for the two devices. Nonetheless, there are two complicating factors which enter the MOSFET analysis, factors which are not present in the J-FET analysis. First of all, carriers in a surface channel experience motion-impeding collisions with the Si surface which lower the mobility of the carriers and necessitate the introduction of an effective carrier mobility. Secondly, the carrier concentration and current density in the surface channel are strong functions of position, dropping off rapidly as one proceeds into the semiconductor bulk. For the device structure analyzed in the text, the carrier concentration and current density are of course constant across the J-FET channel.

Both first order theories give rise to an  $I_{Dsat}$  which varies (or varies approximately) as the square of the gate voltage. The general ac response and first order equivalent circuits for the two devices are identical.