
EE532: Device Simulation Lab

Experiment No. 3

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Experiment Name: Design and analysis of 1.5 μm , 500 nm, 180 nm channel length bulk MOSFET using Sentaurus Structure Editor.

This Experiment involves the design and simulation of MOSFET in sentaurus TCAD and further we have to analyse its various results. For design and simulation we are using SDE (command line mode), Sdevice in the SWB environment. First, we created the structure of MOSFET and set the doping of substrate, set the contacts at metal, source, drain and body side, Meshing at the substrate oxide interface and build the mesh.

The Design Parameters of MOSFET is mentioned in the below table:

Table 1: Design Parameters for MOSFET

Parameter	Value\ Type
Substrate	Silicon
P-type Dopant with concentration	Boron($1 \times 10^{15} - 1 \times 10^{17}$)
N-type Dopant with concentration	Phosphorous($1 \times 10^{17} - 1 \times 10^{20}$)
Source and Drain Doping	Analytical profile placement
Source and Drain Area	150 nm \times 150 nm
Oxide Thickness	20 nm
Gate Metal	Aluminum
Metal Thickness	40 nm
Metal WorkFunction	5 eV

1 Physics Models

The Physics Models used for simulation are mentioned in the below table:

Table 2: Illustration/List of the physical models of MOSFET

Parameters	Value/Type
Band gap and Bandgap narrowing	Effective intrinsic density (no band gap narrowing)
Mobility models	Mobility (Doping Dependence HighFieldSaturation)
Temperature (K)	300
Traps	FixedCharge

2 Device Structure and Meshing of MOSFET

For $1.5\mu\text{m}$ Channel length:

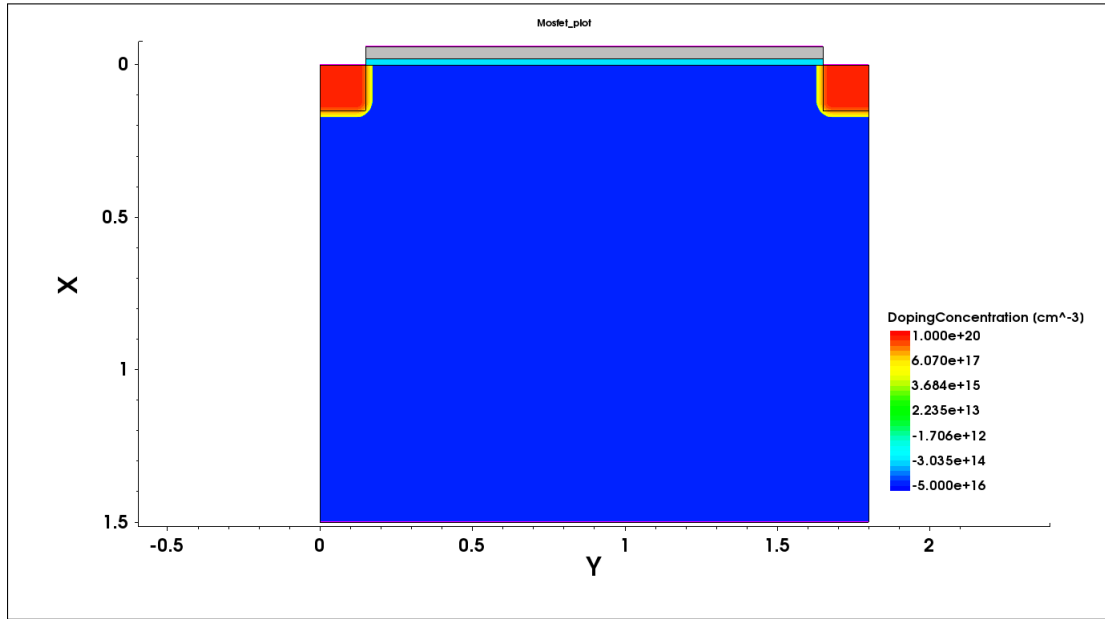


Figure 1: Simulated Structure of MOSFET Device with $1.5\mu\text{m}$ Channel length

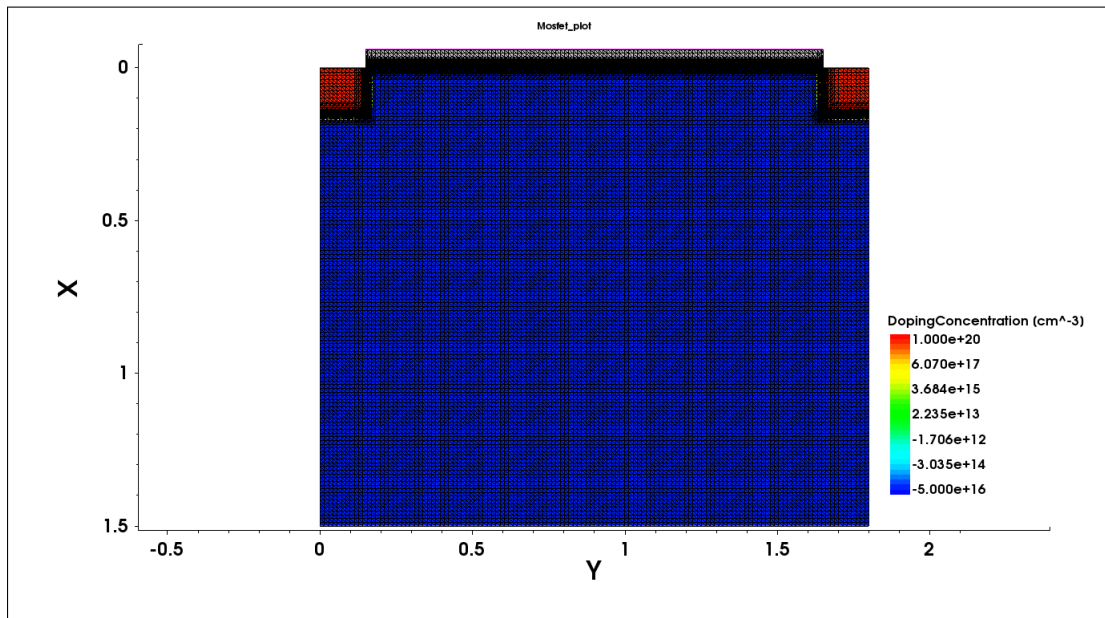


Figure 2: Simulated Structure of MOSFET Device with $1.5\mu\text{m}$ Channel length with Meshing

For 500 nm Channel length:

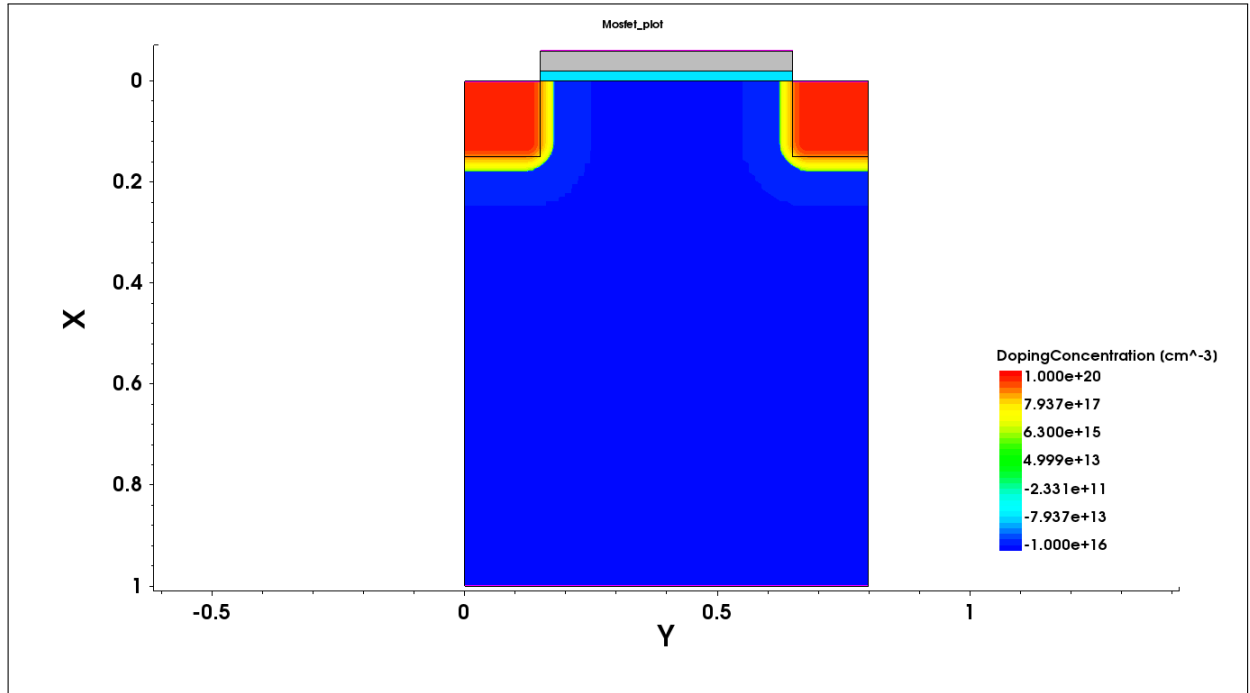


Figure 3: Simulated Structure of MOSFET Device with 500 nm Channel length

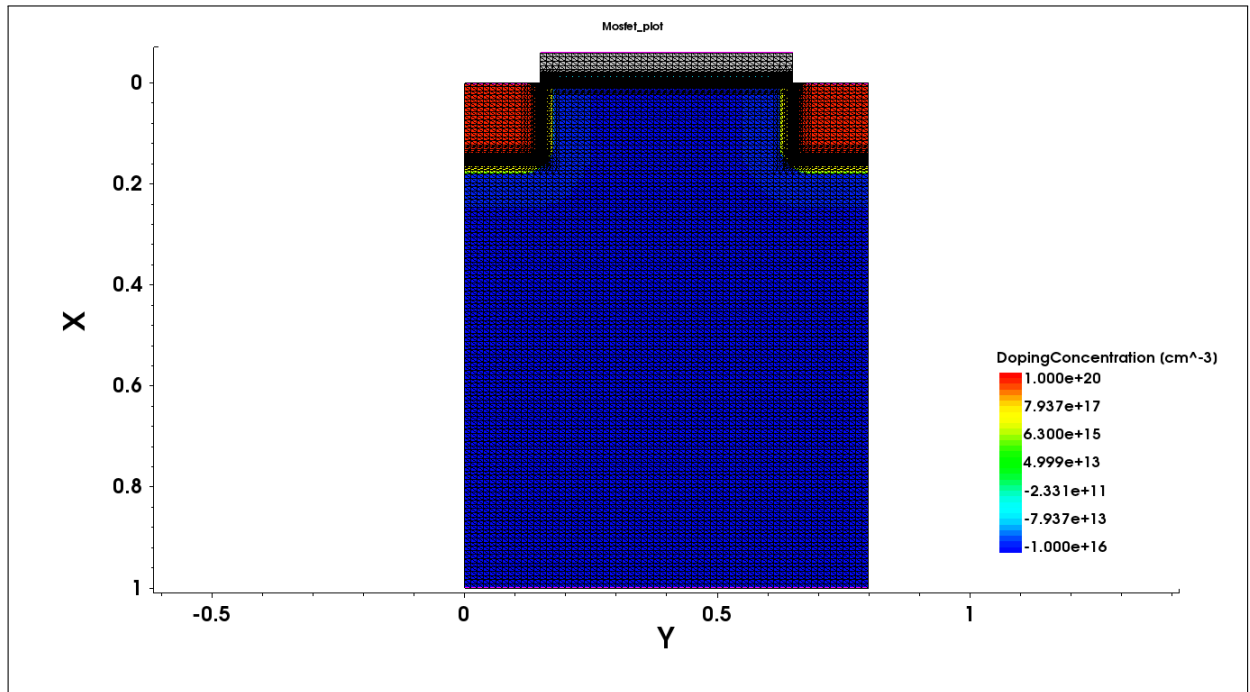


Figure 4: Simulated Structure of MOSFET Device with 500 nm Channel length with Meshing

For 180 nm Channel length:

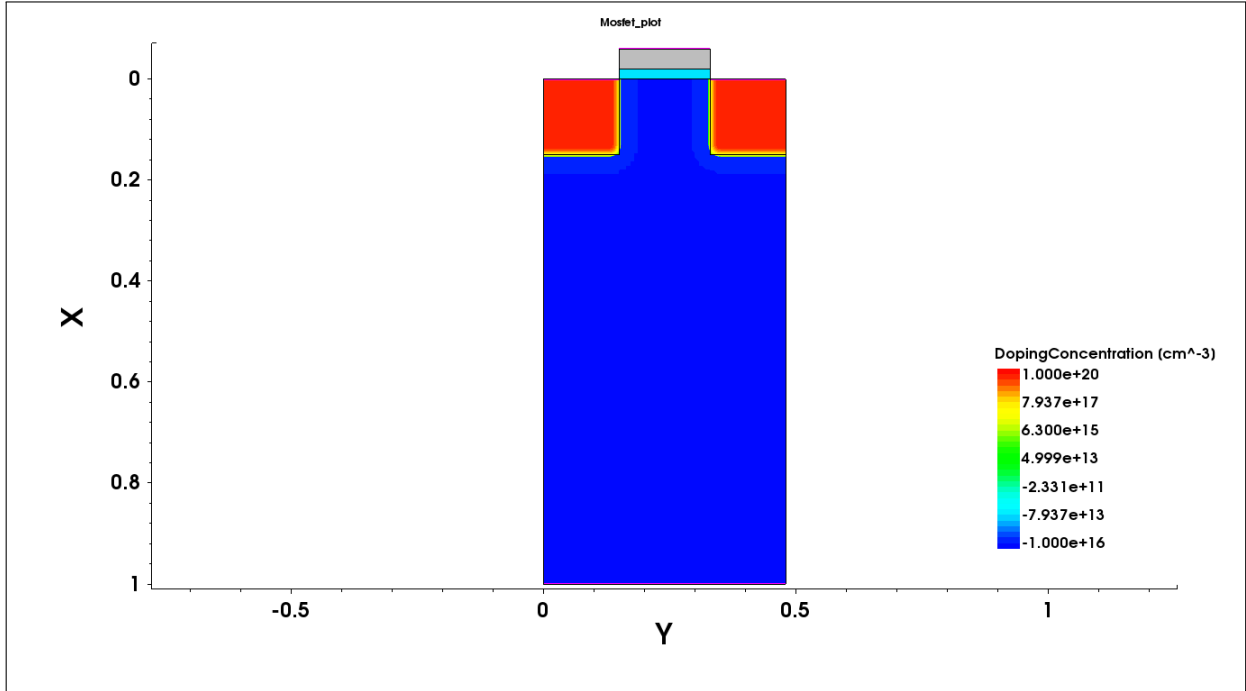


Figure 5: Simulated Structure of MOSFET Device with 180 nm Channel length

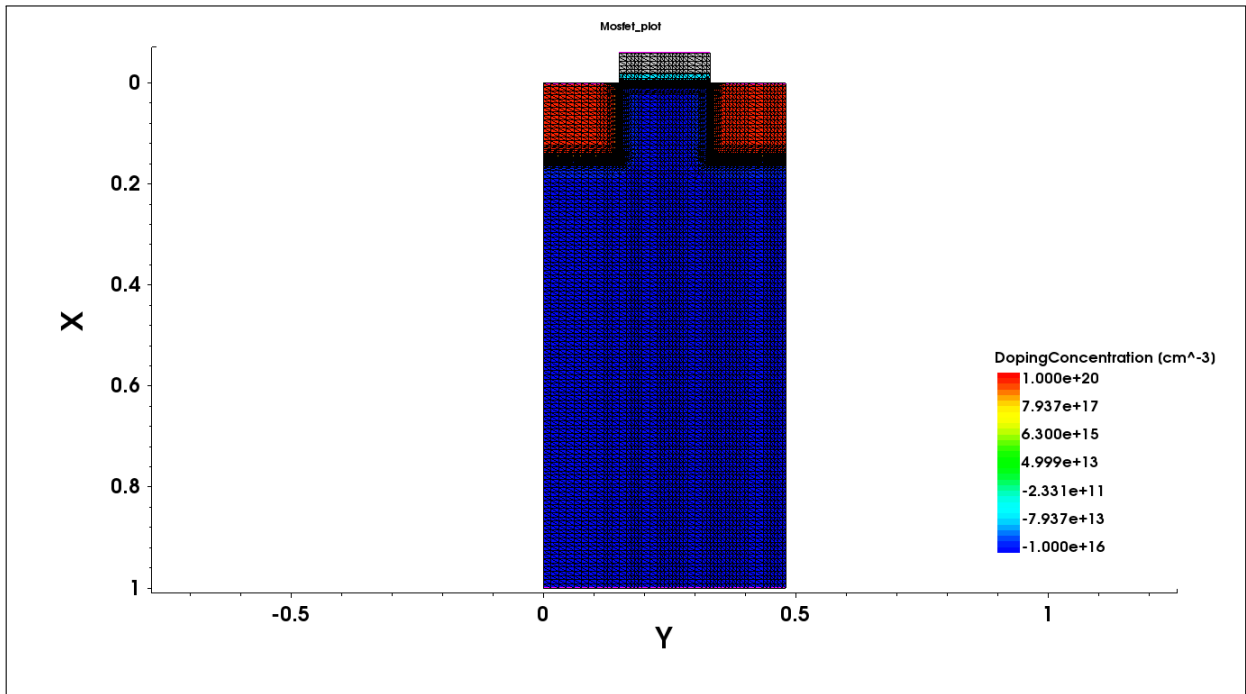


Figure 6: Simulated Structure of MOSFET Device with 180 nm Channel length with Meshing

3 Analysis of MOSFET Device

3.1 Plot and examine the transfer and output characteristics for the three cases

Transfer Characteristics (I_{DS} vs V_{GS}): Typically V_{ds} is fixed for the I_D vs V_{GS} . The transition from the ON state to the OFF state is gradual

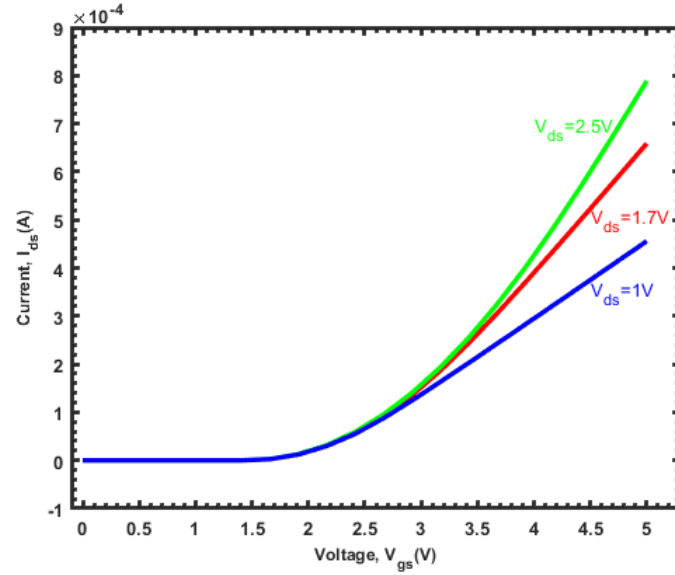


Figure 7: I_{DS} vs V_{GS} with 1.5 μm Channel length

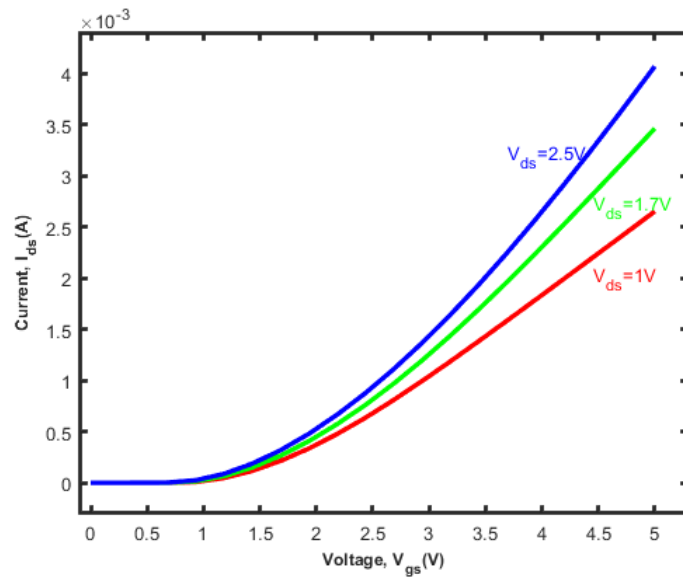


Figure 8: I_{DS} vs V_{GS} with 500 nm Channel length

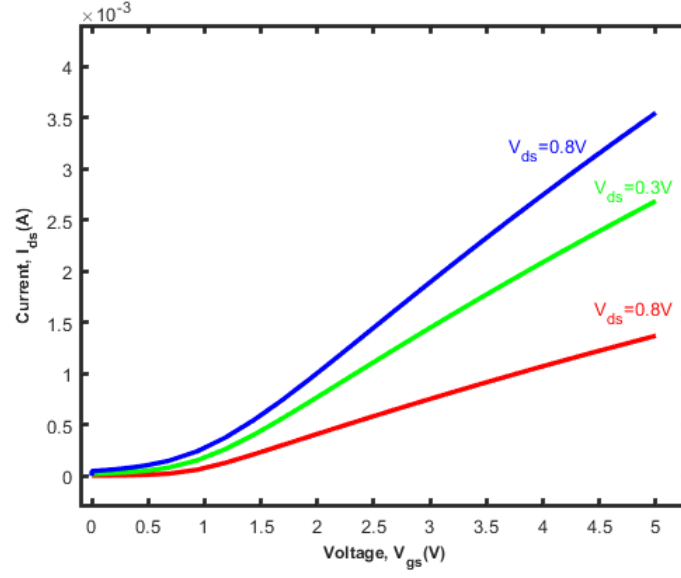


Figure 9: I_{DS} vs V_{GS} with 180 nm Channel length

Output Characteristics (I_{DS} vs V_{DS}):

3.2 Plot energy band diagram for various regions.

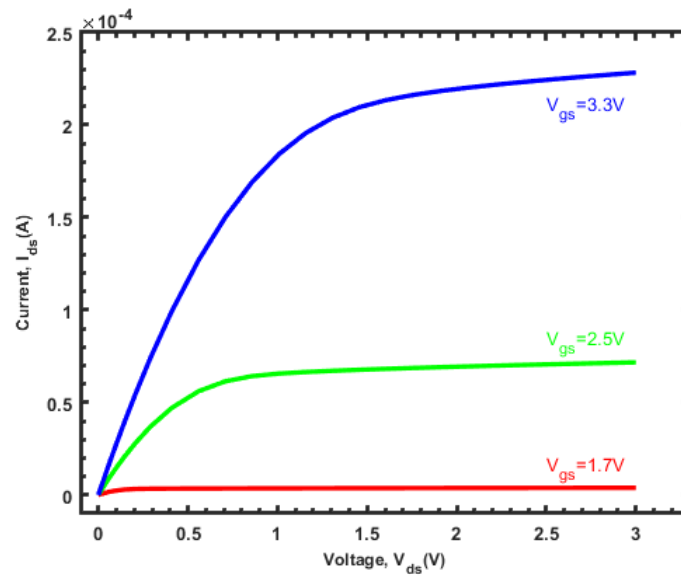


Figure 10: I_{DS} vs V_{DS} with 1.5 μm Channel length

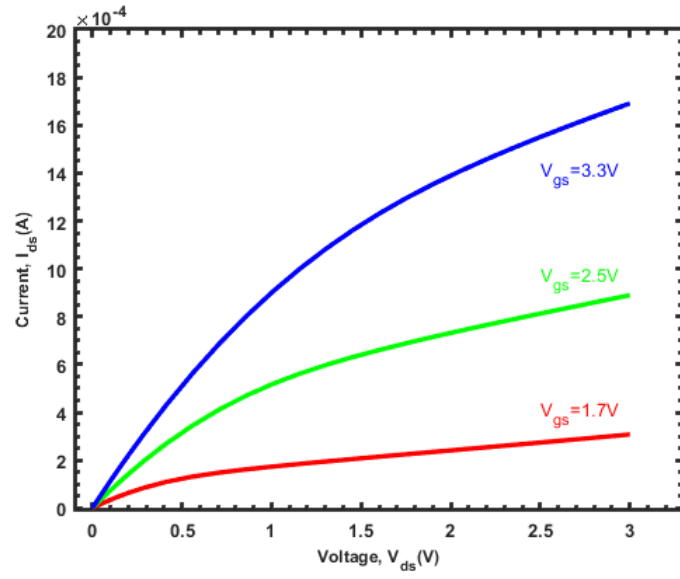


Figure 11: I_{DS} vs V_{DS} with 500 nm Channel length

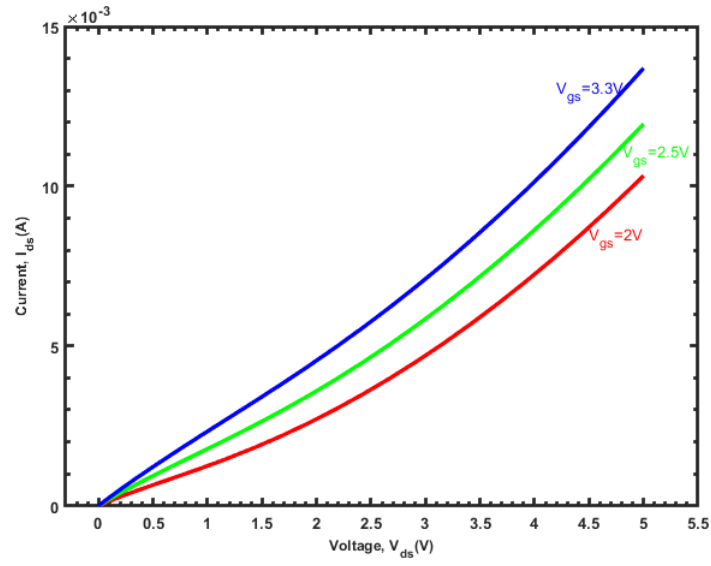


Figure 12: I_{DS} vs V_{DS} with 180 nm Channel length

3.3 Plot energy band diagram for various regions.

First, we have to calculate the value of metal work function ϕ_m . We have p-type substrate. So, Electron Affinity of silicon (χ_s) = 4.05 eV

$$E_C - E_i = 0.56 \text{ eV}$$

$$\text{Substrate Doping } (N_A) = 5 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\text{Intrinsic carrier concentration } (n_i) = 1.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\frac{KT}{q} = 0.0259 \text{ V}$$

$$E_i - E_f = \frac{KT}{q} \ln\left(\frac{N_A}{n_i}\right) = 0.0259 \ln\left(\frac{5 \times 10^{16}}{1.5 \times 10^{10}}\right) = 0.389 \text{ eV}$$

$$\phi_m = \chi_s + (E_C - E_i) + (E_i - E_f) = 4.05 + 0.56 + 0.389 = 5 \text{ eV}$$

For C_{OX} ,

$$\text{Dielectric Constant of SiO}_2 = \epsilon_{OX} = 3.9$$

$$\text{thickness of SiO}_2 (t_{OX}) = 20 \text{ nm}$$

$$\epsilon_o = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \frac{F}{m}$$

$$\text{Oxide Capacitance } C_{OX} = \frac{\epsilon_{OX} \times \epsilon_o}{t_{OX}} = 0.172 \frac{\mu F}{\text{cm}^2}$$

For C_{DEP} ,

$$\text{Dielectric Constant of Si} = \epsilon_s = 11.8$$

$$\text{thickness of depletion width } (W_{dmax}) = \sqrt{\frac{2\epsilon_s \epsilon_o 2\phi_f}{qN_A}} = 0.1425 \mu\text{m}$$

$$\epsilon_o = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \frac{F}{m}$$

$$\text{Depletion Capacitance } C_{DEP} = \frac{\epsilon_{OX} \times \epsilon_o}{t_{OX}} = 0.732 \frac{nF}{\text{cm}^2}$$

So we have set the value of metal work function in parameter file and plots the Energy band diagrams in various regions

Energy Band Diagram in Equilibrium or Flat Band Condition

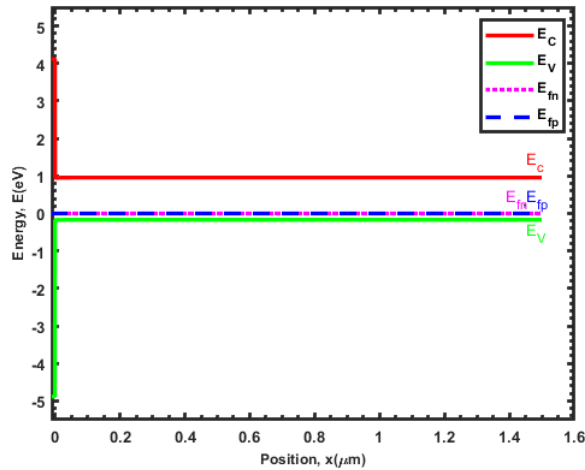


Figure 13: Energy Band Diagram at $V_g = 0 \text{ V}$

Flat Band occurs when $V_g = 0 \text{ V}$. The flat band voltage is the voltage where no band bending occurs. At the flat-band voltage, electric field is zero everywhere.

Energy Band Diagram in Accumulation Region

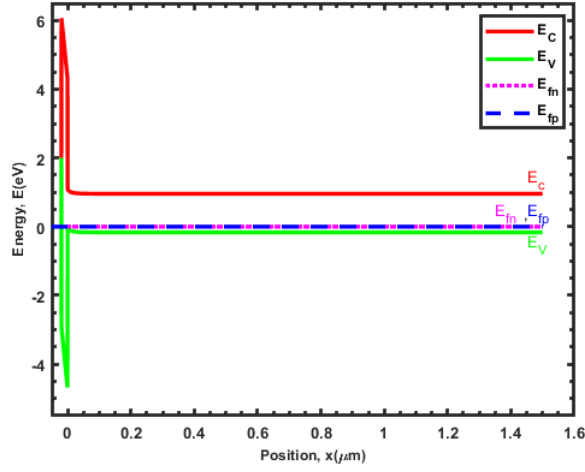


Figure 14: Energy Band Diagram at $V_g = -2$ V

Accumulation occurs at voltage V_g less than flat band condition. For p-type substrate when we applied negative voltage, the negative charge on the gate attracts the hole from the substrate. So band bending occurs as shown in above figure.

Energy Band Diagram in Depletion Region

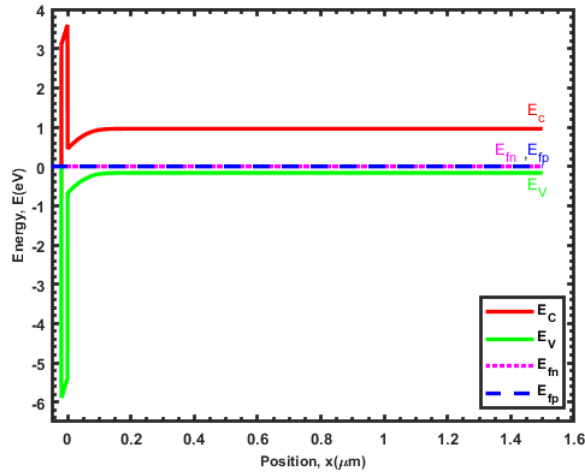


Figure 15: Energy Band Diagram at $V_g = 1$ V

As we increase the value of applied voltage from negative to positive, the holes will be repelled back to the bulk and depletion charges accumulated near the Si-SiO₂ interface. A depletion region is formed and $\phi_s < 2\phi_f$. So band bending occurs in the other direction as shown in the above figure.

Energy Band Diagram in Inversion Region

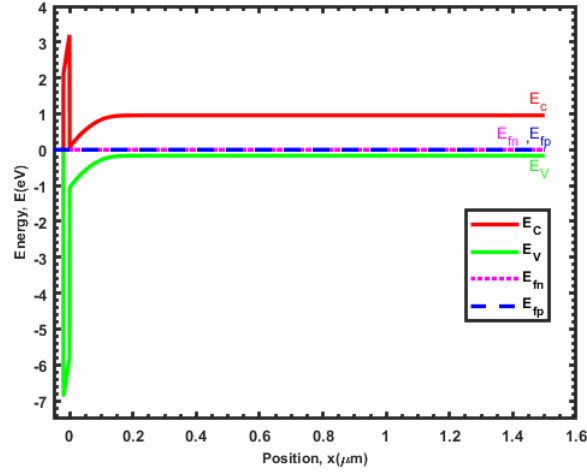


Figure 16: Energy Band Diagram at $V_g = 2$ V

$$V_{th} = 2\phi_F + \frac{K_s}{K_O} x_o \sqrt{\frac{4qN_A}{K_s \epsilon_O} \phi_F}$$

$$\phi_S = 2\phi_F = 2 \times 0.389 = 0.778 \text{ V}$$

Dielectric Constant of Silicon, $K_S = 11.8$

Dielectric Constant of SiO_2 , $K_O = 3.9$

Thickness of oxide, $x_O = 20 \text{ nm}$

Substrate Doping, $N_A = 5 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

So the Calculated Value of V_{th} is,

$$V_{th} = 1.47 \text{ V}$$

As we further increase the applied voltage value than the electrons accumulate near the Si-SiO₂ interface and a condition will come When $\phi_s = 2\phi_f$ this is onset of inversion and the applied voltage at this condition is threshold voltage. Now, for $\phi_s > 2\phi_f$ strong inversion. So band bending increases as shown in above figure.

Now we are doing the x cut analysis of the MOSFET . so we are plotting the Energy bands for cutt off , linear and saturation region of operation.

Energy Band Diagram For Channel length $1.5 \mu\text{m}$ in Cutt off Region

$$V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}$$

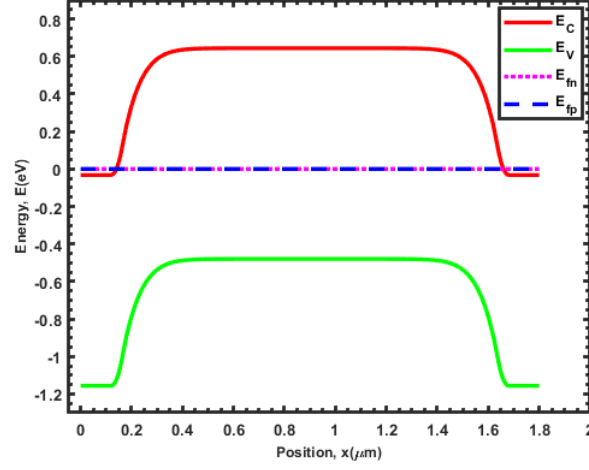


Figure 17: Energy Band Diagram in Cutt off region at $V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}$

Above Plot is for the MOSFET having channel length ($1.5 \mu\text{m}$) is in cutoff region .

Energy Band Diagram For Channel length $1.5 \mu\text{m}$ in Linear Region

$$V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{DS} = 0.3 \text{ V}$$

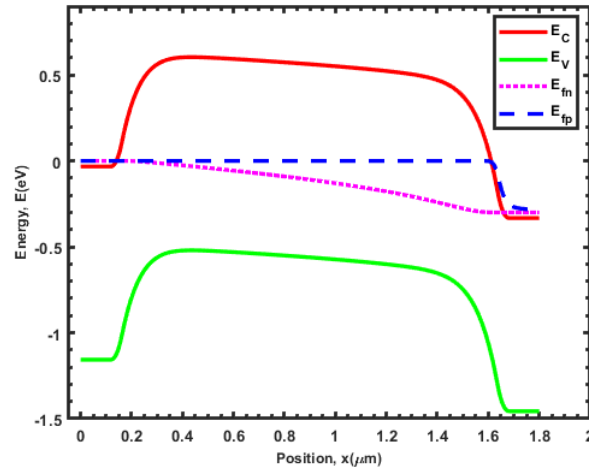


Figure 18: Energy Band Diagram in Linear region at $V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$, $V_{DS} = 0.3 \text{ V}$

Above Plot is for the MOSFET having channel length ($1.5 \mu\text{m}$) is in Linear region and we observe that on drain side barrier height increases and the shift is $-qV_{DS} = -0.3 \text{ eV}$ and on gate side the energy level shifted by $-q(V_{GS} - V_{TH}) = -0.34 \text{ eV}$

Energy Band Diagram For Channel length $1.5 \mu\text{m}$ in Saturation Region

$$V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{DS} = 0.9 \text{ V}$$

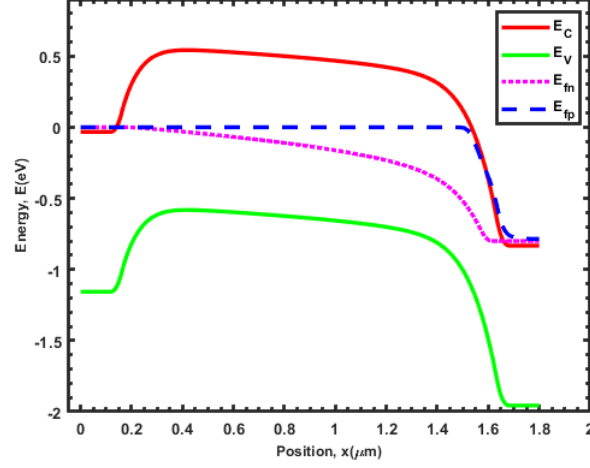


Figure 19: Energy Band Diagram in saturation region at $V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$, $V_{DS} = 0.9 \text{ V}$

Above Plot is for the MOSFET having channel length ($1.5 \mu\text{m}$) is in Saturation region and we observe that on drain side barrier height increases and the shift is $-qV_{DS} = -0.9 \text{ eV}$ and on gate side the energy level shifted by $-q(V_{GS} - V_{TH}) = -0.34 \text{ eV}$

Energy Band Diagram For Channel length 500 nm in Cutt off Region

$$V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}$$

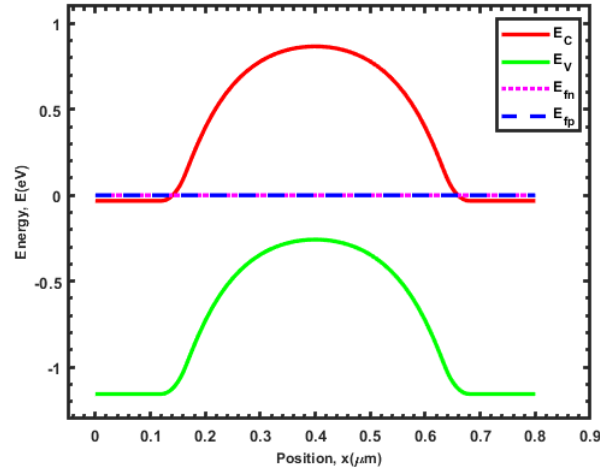


Figure 20: Energy Band Diagram in Cutt off region at $V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}$

Above Plot is for the MOSFET having channel length (500 nm) is in cutoff region .

Energy Band Diagram For Channel length 500 nm in Linear Region

$$V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{DS} = 0.3 \text{ V}$$

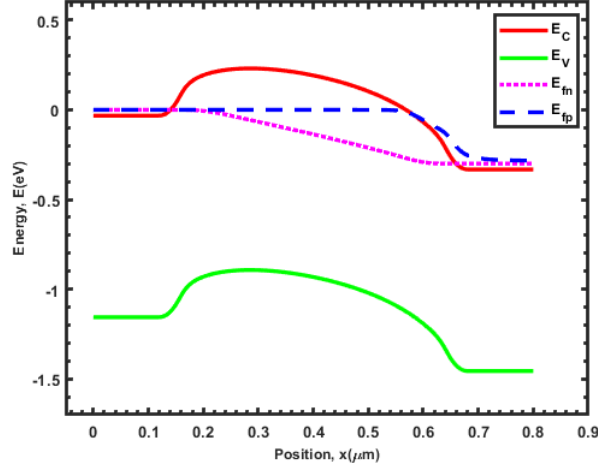


Figure 21: Energy Band Diagram in Linear region at $V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$, $V_{DS} = 0.3 \text{ V}$

Above Plot is for the MOSFET having channel length (500 nm) is in Linear region and we observe that on drain side barrier height increases and the shift is $-qV_{DS} = -0.3 \text{ eV}$ and on gate side the energy level shifted by $-q(V_{GS} - V_{TH}) = -0.34 \text{ eV}$

Energy Band Diagram For Channel length 500 nm in Saturation Region

$$V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{DS} = 0.9 \text{ V}$$

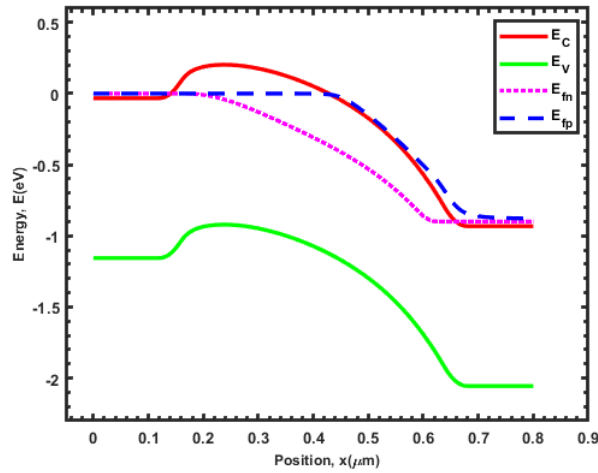


Figure 22: Energy Band Diagram in saturation region at $V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$, $V_{DS} = 0.9 \text{ V}$

Above Plot is for the MOSFET having channel length (1.5 μm) is in Saturation region and we observe that on drain side barrier height increases and the shift is $-qV_{DS} = -0.9 \text{ eV}$ and on gate side the energy level shifted by $-q(V_{GS} - V_{TH}) = -0.34 \text{ eV}$.

Energy Band Diagram For Channel length 180 nm in Cutt off Region

$$V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}$$

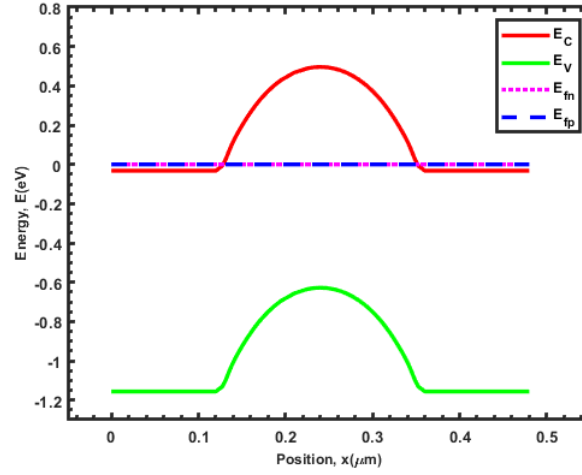


Figure 23: Energy Band Diagram in Cutt off region at $V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}$

Above Plot is for the MOSFET having channel length (180 nm) is in cutoff region .

Energy Band Diagram For Channel length 180 nm in Linear Region

$$V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{DS} = 0.3 \text{ V}$$

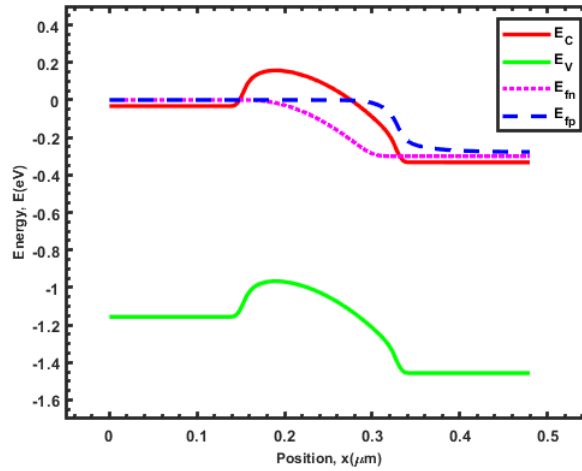


Figure 24: Energy Band Diagram in Linear region at $V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$, $V_{DS} = 0.3 \text{ V}$

Above Plot is for the MOSFET having channel length (180 nm) is in Linear region and we observe that on drain side barrier height increases and the shift is $-qV_{DS} = -0.3 \text{ eV}$ and on gate side the energy level shifted by $-q(V_{GS} - V_{TH}) = -0.34 \text{ eV}$

Energy Band Diagram For Channel length 180 nm in Saturation Region

$$V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{DS} = 0.9 \text{ V}$$

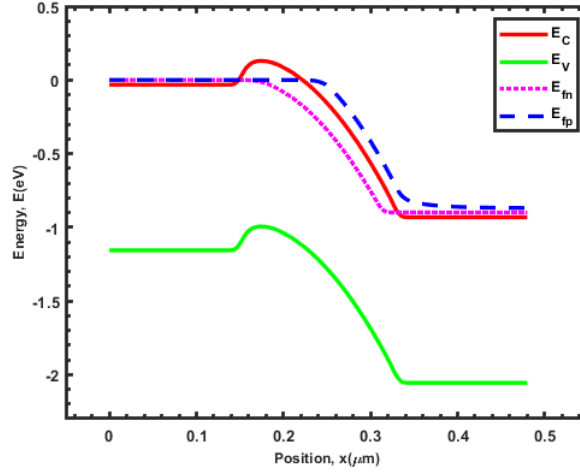


Figure 25: Energy Band Diagram in saturation region at $V_{GS} = 1.8 \text{ V}$, $V_{DS} = 0.9 \text{ V}$

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3.4 Find out the various performance parameters only for 500 nm devices, along with theoretical calculations for $V_{t(lin)}$, $V_{t(sat)}$, g_m , g_{ds} , Subthreshold slope, DIBL, I_{on}/I_{off} , A_v and f_t

3.4.1 $V_{T,Lin}$ and $V_{T,Sat}$

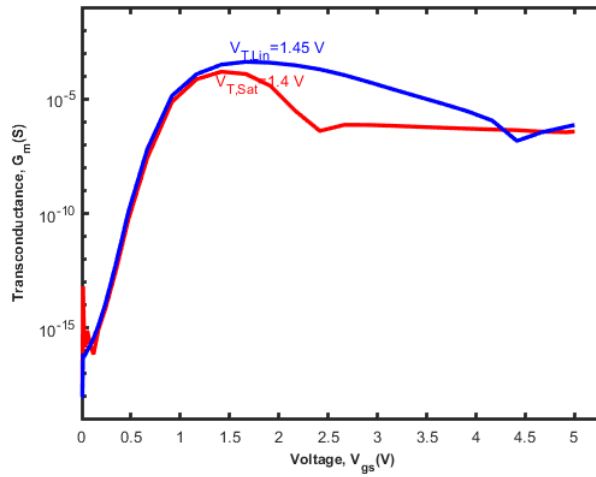


Figure 26: $V_{T,Lin}$ and $V_{T,Sat}$ for 500 nm device

$V_{T,Lin}$ is calculated from the g_m vs V_{gs} for low $V_{ds} = 0.2V$
 $V_{T,Sat}$ is calculated from the g_m vs V_{gs} for High $V_{ds} = 1 V$

$$V_{T,Lin} = 1.45 V$$

$$V_{T,Sat} = 1.4 V$$

3.4.2 Transconductance g_m

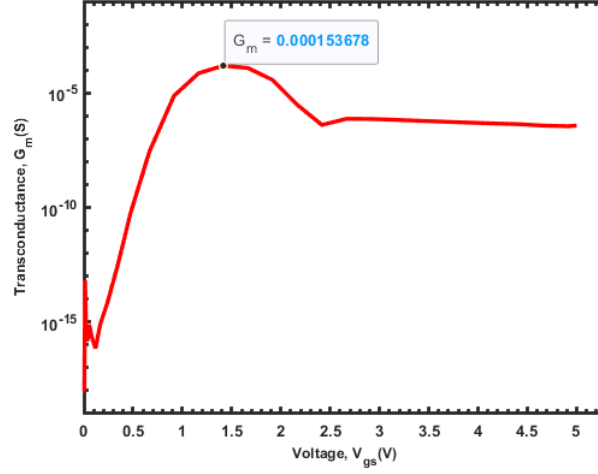


Figure 27: g_m vs V_{gs} for 500 nm device

$$g_{m,max} = \frac{dI_{ds}}{dV_{GS}}$$

$$g_{m,max} = 0.15 \text{ mS}$$

3.4.3 Transconductance g_{ds}

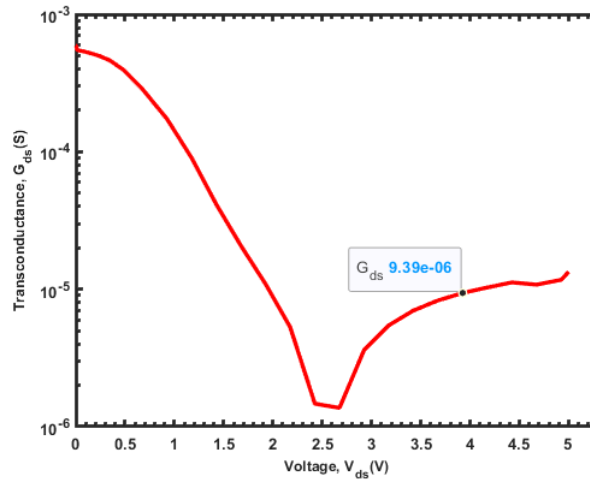


Figure 28: g_{ds} vs V_{gs} for 500 nm device

$$g_{ds} = 9.39 \mu\text{S}$$

$$R_o = \frac{1}{g_{ds}} = 105 K\Omega$$

3.4.4 Subthreshold Slope:

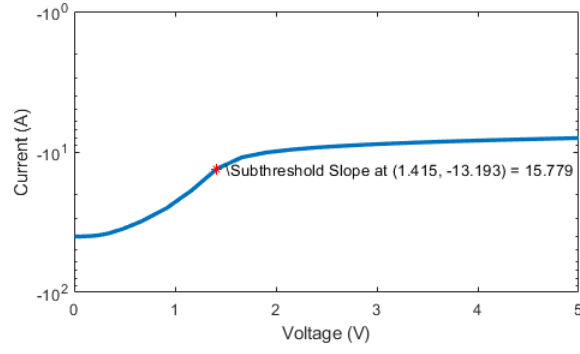


Figure 29: Subthreshold Slope for 500 nm device

$$\text{Subthreshold Slope} = \frac{d\log I_{DS}}{dV_{GS}}$$

$$\text{Subthreshold Swing} = \frac{1}{\text{Subthreshold Slope}} = 63 \text{ mV/decade}$$

3.4.5 DIBL:

$$V_{DS,Low} = 0.2 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{DS,High} = 1 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{T,Lin} = 1.45 \text{ V}$$

$$V_{T,Sat} = 1.4 \text{ V}$$

$$DIBL = \frac{V_{T,Lin} - V_{T,Sat}}{V_{DS,High} - V_{DS,Low}} = \frac{1.45 - 1.4}{1 - 0.2} = 0.0625 \quad (1)$$

3.4.6 Ion/Ioff

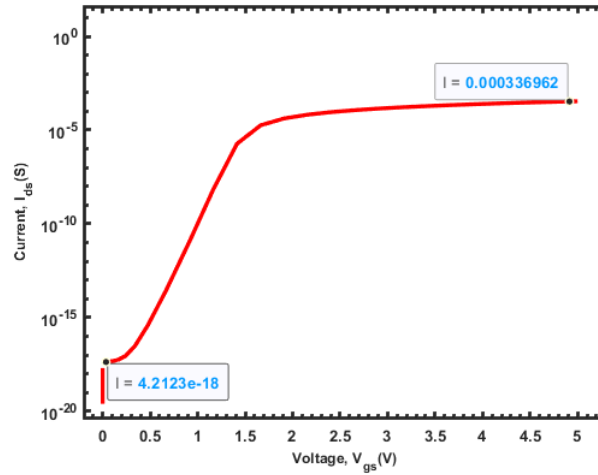


Figure 30: Ion/Ioff for 500 nm device

$$I_{on} = 0.3 \text{ mA}$$

$$I_{off} = 4.2 \times 10^{-18}$$

$$\frac{I_{on}}{I_{off}} = 7.14 \times 10^{16} \quad (2)$$

3.4.7 Gain, A_V

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Gain, } A_V &= g_m \times R_o \\ g_m &= 0.15 \text{ mA/V} \\ R_o &= 105 \text{ Kohm} \\ \text{Gain, } A_V &= 15.75 \text{ V/V} \\ \text{Gain, } A_V \text{ (in DB)} &= 20 \text{ Log}(\text{Gain, } A_V) = 23.94 \text{ DB} \end{aligned}$$

3.4.8 Transit Frequency F_T

$$F_T = \frac{g_m}{2 \times \pi \times (C_{gs} + C_{gd})}$$

3.5 Effect of body bias voltage on energy band(at least three biases) for channel length 500 nm

Now we are apply a voltage V_{BS} and we will observe the changes in Band Diagram

Energy Band Diagram For Body bias voltage $V_{BS}=0$ V

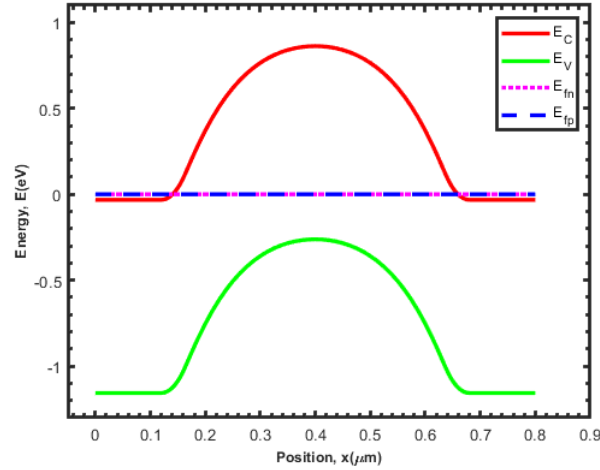


Figure 31: Energy Band Diagram For Body bias voltage $V_{BS}=0$ in 500 nm Device

For $V_{BS}=0$ V , there is no change in the Barrier

Energy Band Diagram For Body bias voltage $V_{BS}=0.2$ V

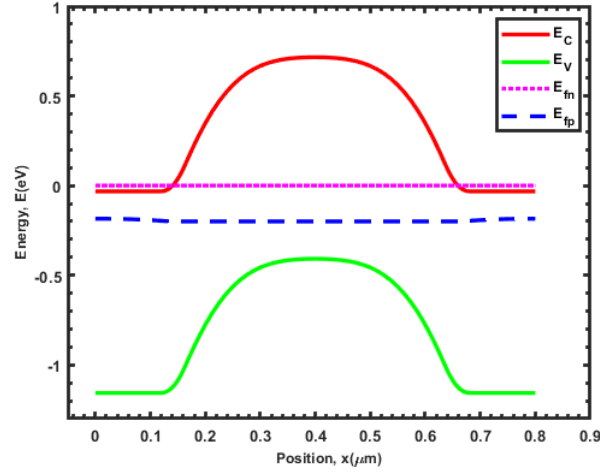


Figure 32: Energy Band Diagram For Body bias voltage $V_{BS}=0.2$ V in 500 nm Device

For $V_{BS}=0.2$ V , there is a slight change in Band bending , Barrier height is reduced by $-qV_{BS}$ times means it get reduced by 0.2 eV

Energy Band Diagram For Body bias voltage $V_{BS}=0.5$ V

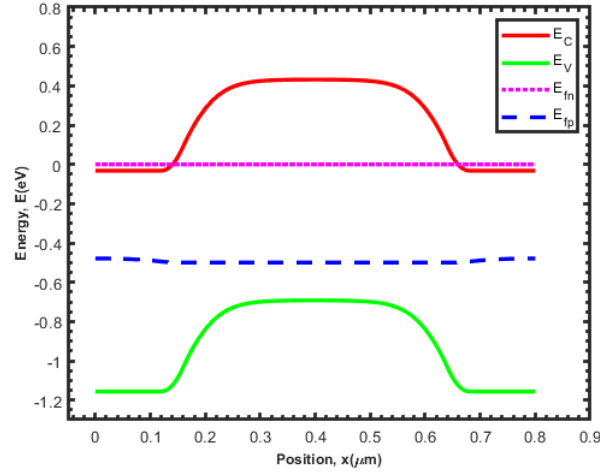


Figure 33: Energy Band Diagram For Body bias voltage $V_{BS}=0.5$ V in 500 nm Device

For $V_{BS}=0.5$ V , there is a change in Band bending , Barrier height is reduced by $-qV_{BS}$ times means it get reduced by 0.5 eV

Energy Band Diagram For Body bias voltage $V_{BS}=0.8$ V

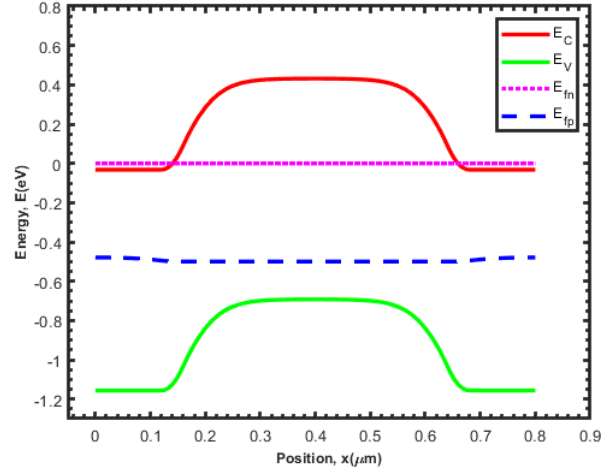


Figure 34: Energy Band Diagram For Body bias voltage $V_{BS}=0.8$ V in 500 nm Device

For $V_{BS}=0.8$ V, there is a change in Band bending, Barrier height is reduced by $-qV_{BS}$ times means it get reduced by 0.8 eV

3.6 V_t roll-off for each device (plot V_t vs L_g)

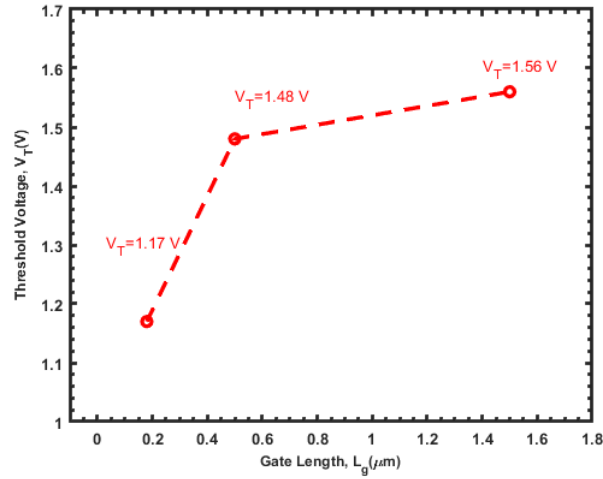


Figure 35: Threshold(V_{th}) Vs Gate Length(L_g)

$$\begin{aligned} W_T &= 0.1425 \mu\text{m} \\ N_A &= 5 \times 10^{16} \\ C_{ox} &= 0.172 \frac{\mu\text{F}}{\text{cm}^2} \\ r_J &= 0.15 \mu\text{m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta V_{TH} = -\frac{qN_A W_T r_j}{C_{ox} L_g} \left[\sqrt{1 + \frac{2W_T}{r_j}} - 1 \right] \quad (3)$$

For $L_g = 1.5 \mu m$:

$$\Delta V_{TH} = -0.006V \quad (4)$$

For $L_g = 0.5 \mu m$:

$$\Delta V_{TH} = -0.05V \quad (5)$$

For $L_g = 0.18 \mu m$:

$$\Delta V_{TH} = -0.334V \quad (6)$$

4 Conclusion

This experiment involved designing of MOSFET using SWB (Sentaurus WorkBench) and used SDE (Command Line mode). During this experiment we analysis the MOSFET by observing the Energy Band Diagrams in different regions for P-type substrate, transfer and output characteristics of MOSFET , Effect of Body bias and $V_{rolloff}$.

This study also provides the good learning of the TCAD tool and learn to design the device using SDE (Command Line mode) and also get experiential learning of SWB (Sentaurus WorkBench), SDevice , SVisual.