

Due: Wednesday, April 30, 2003

1. For an n-channel Si MOSFET with an oxide thickness $d=150 \text{ \AA}$, a channel mobility $\mu_n = 1000 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s}$, $Z=100 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$, and $L=5 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$, determine the threshold voltages for $N_a = 10^{15}$ and $10^{17}/\text{cm}^3$, respectively. Calculate and tabulate $I_D(V_D, V_G)$ in the linear region at 300 K. Allow V_D to take on values of 0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9 and 1.1 V for $V_G = 2, 3, 4$, and 5 V. Assume that $Q_i = 5 \times 10^{11} \text{ qC/cm}^2$. Also, determine $I_{D\text{sat}}$ in the saturation region for each gate bias and doping.

Solution:

Assume the gate material is n+. (At present, most practical gate is made from poly n+.)

$$f_F = 0.0259 \ln \frac{N_a}{n_i}, \quad C_i = \frac{e_i}{d} = \frac{3.9 \times 8.85 \times 10^{-14}}{150 \times 10^{-8}} = 2.301 \times 10^{-7} \text{ F/cm}^2, \quad Q_d = -2\sqrt{q e_s f_F N_a}$$

You can look up the Fig 6-17 to get Φ_{ms} , or by assuming n+ material has E_F at E_C : $\Phi_{ms} = -0.55 - f_F$

$$V_T = \Phi_{ms} - \frac{Q_i}{C_i} - \frac{Q_d}{C_i} + 2f_F \text{ (please notice that } Q_d \text{ is negative here).}$$

$N_a \text{ (cm}^{-3}\text{)}$	$f_F \text{ (V)}$	$Q_d \text{ (C/cm}^2\text{)}$	$\Phi_{ms} \text{ (V)}$	$V_T \text{ (V)}$
10^{15}	0.288	-1.38×10^{-8}	-0.9	-0.613V
10^{17}	0.407	-1.65×10^{-7}	-1.05	0.133

We can use either equation 6-49 or 6-50. The solution offered below uses 6-49. If you use 6-50, the solution should be similar.

This problem is most easily solved using some computer programs such as MS-Excel or Matlab. There are three operation modes for MOSFET: cut-off, linear region, and saturation region. The condition and I_d equations for these three modes are:

Cutoff: happen when $V_G < V_T$, $I_d = 0$

$$\text{Linear region: } V_G > V_T, \text{ and } V_{DS} < V_G - V_T, \quad I_{\text{Linear}} = \frac{m_n Z C_i}{L} \left[(V_G - V_T) V_D - \frac{1}{2} V_D^2 \right]$$

$$\text{Saturation Region: } V_G > V_T, \text{ and } V_{DS} > V_G - V_T, \quad I_{\text{sat}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_n Z C_i}{L} (V_G - V_T)^2$$

Use your favorite computer program, you should be able to obtain following table.

For $N_a = 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, Table for $I_d \text{ (mA)}$

$V_D \text{ (V)} \backslash V_G \text{ (V)}$	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.1
2	1.18	3.4	5.43	7.29	8.95	10.4
3	1.64	4.78	7.74	10.5	13.1	15.5
4	2.01	6.16	10.0	13.7	17.2	20.6
5	2.56	7.54	12.3	17.0	21.4	25.6

For $N_a = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, Table for I_d (mA)

$V_D(V) \backslash V_G(V)$	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.1
2	0.836	2.37	3.72	4.89	5.87	6.67
3	1.30	3.75	6.02	8.11	10.1	11.7
4	1.76	5.13	8.32	11.3	14.2	16.8
5	2.22	6.51	10.6	14.6	18.3	21.9

Table for $I_{D,SAT}$ (mA) :

$V_G(V) \backslash N_a(\text{cm}^{-3})$	10^{15}	10^{17}
2	15.7	8.02
3	30.0	18.9
4	48.9	34.4
5	72.5	54.5

2. Plot I_D vs. V_D for $V_G = -2, -3$, and $-4V$ for a thin-oxide (100\AA) p-channel transistor. The substrate doping and effective interface charge are $N_d = 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and $Q_i = 5 \times 10^{10} \text{ q/cm}^2$, respectively. Assume that $I_{D,sat}$ remains constant beyond pinch-off and $\mu_p = 200 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-s}$ and $Z = 10L$.

For pMOS:

$$f_F = -0.0259 \ln \frac{N_d}{n_i} = -0.347V,$$

$$C_i = \frac{\epsilon_i}{d} = \frac{3.9 \times 8.85 \times 10^{-14}}{100 \times 10^{-8}} = 3.452 \times 10^{-7} \text{ F/cm}^2,$$

$$Q_d = 2\sqrt{q\epsilon_s f_F N_a} = 4.816 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C/cm}^2$$

You can look up the Fig 6-17 to get Φ_{ms} , or by assuming n+ material has E_F at E_C : $\Phi_{ms} = -0.55 - f_F$

Here we use results from Fig 6-17, $\Phi_{ms} = -0.25V$

$$V_T = \Phi_{ms} - \frac{Q_i}{C_i} - \frac{Q_d}{C_i} + 2f_F = -0.25 - \frac{5 \times 10^{10} \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}}{3.542 \times 10^{-7}} - \frac{4.816 \times 10^{-8}}{3.542 \times 10^{-7}} - 2 \times 0.347 = -1.11 \text{ Volts}$$

The condition and I_d equations for three operation modes of a pMOS are:

Cutoff: happen when $V_G > V_T$, $I_d = 0$

$$\text{Linear region: } V_G < V_T, \text{ and } V_{DS} > V_G - V_T, \quad I_{Linear} = \frac{m_p Z C_i}{L} \left[(V_G - V_T) V_{DS} - \frac{1}{2} V_{DS}^2 \right]$$

$$\text{Saturation Region: } V_G < V_T, \text{ and } V_{DS} < V_G - V_T, \quad I_{sat} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_p Z C_i}{L} (V_G - V_T)^2$$

The plot is shown next page:

