



Fig. 2. NMOS cross-section. In addition to stress from cap layers and Ge raised source-drain (S-D) implants, device dimensions such as distance from source-channel boundary to nearby STI (SA and SB), proximity and regularity of overlying metal patterns, and short distances to other device patterns within the local ($< 2 \mu\text{m}$) stress field induce transverse (F_y) and lateral (F_x and F_z) stress components, which affect threshold and mobility. Increasing the distance to P+ ties increases local tub (bulk) resistance components R1 and R2, which isolate the device MOS model substrate node from the device subcircuit symbol V_b node and degrade HF performance. Hot carrier reliability stress is dependent on the sum of transverse and lateral fields E_y and E_x . These fields are increased near the drain by increasing source to bulk (V_{sb}) and drain (V_d) to gate (V_g) or source (V_s) voltages in various combinations. As hot carrier stress increases, damage to channel from interface trap density (N_{it}) affects threshold and mobility, while gate oxynitride (ON) or high-dielectric-constant (Hi-K) insulator trap density (N_{ot}) affects threshold and gate leakage.