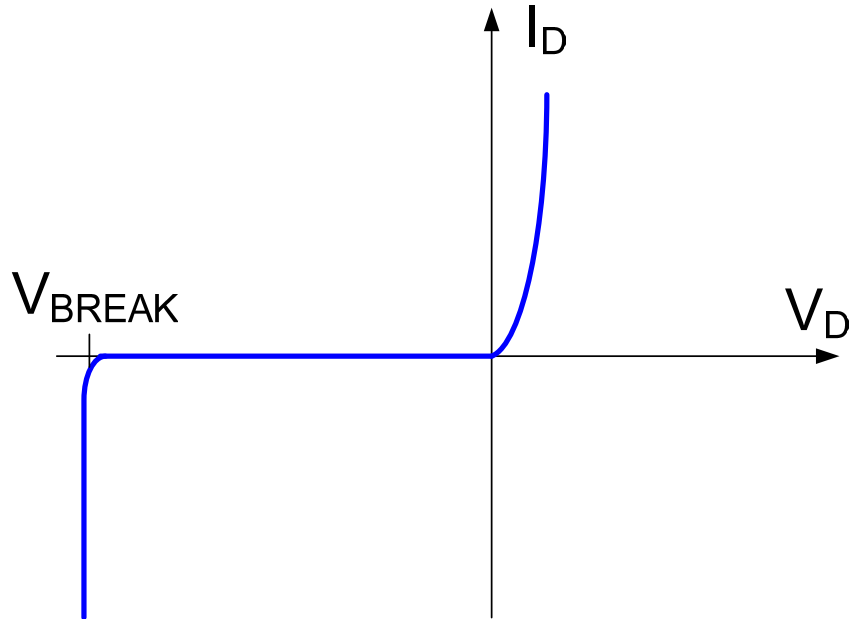


EE 230
Lecture 30

The MOS Transistor

Quiz 30

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And the number is ?

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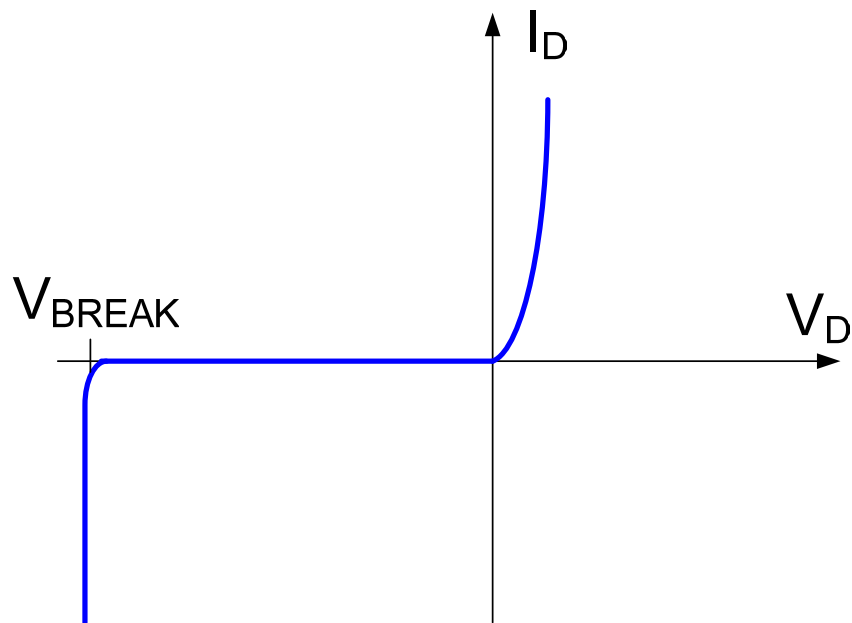
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Quiz 30

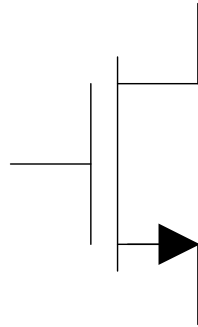
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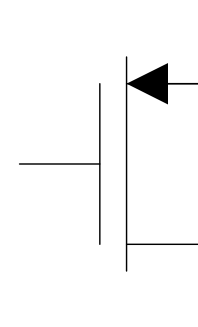
Solution: Because the power dissipation becomes too large.

Review from Last Time:

MOS Transistors



n-channel

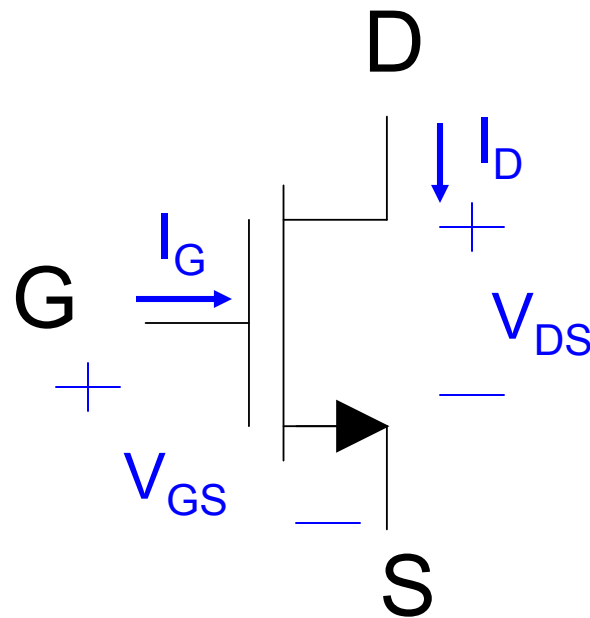


p-channel

- Operation very similar
- Model parameters differ modestly
- Direction of current flow differs

Review from Last Time:

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Model:

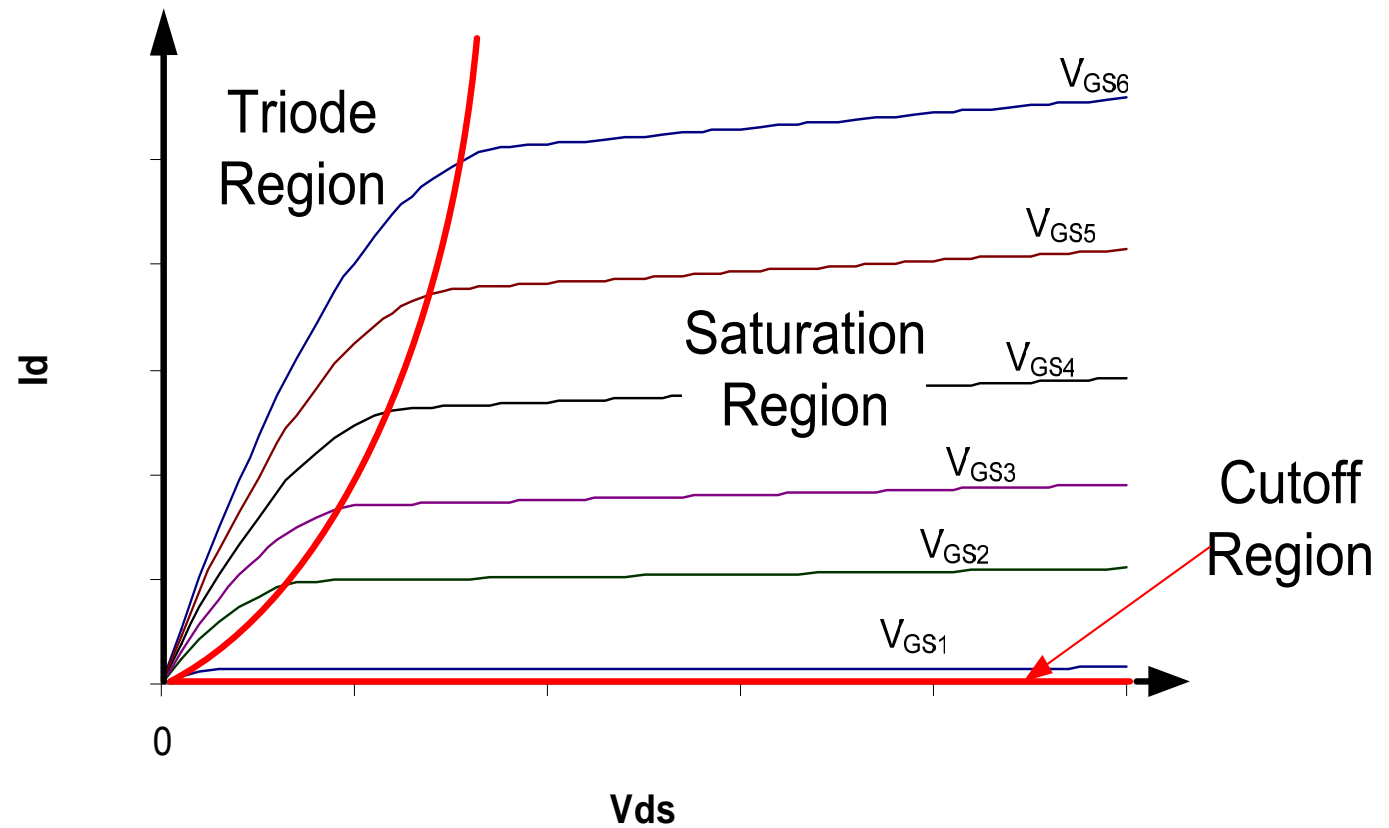
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$$I_D = f_1(V_{GS}, V_{DS})$$

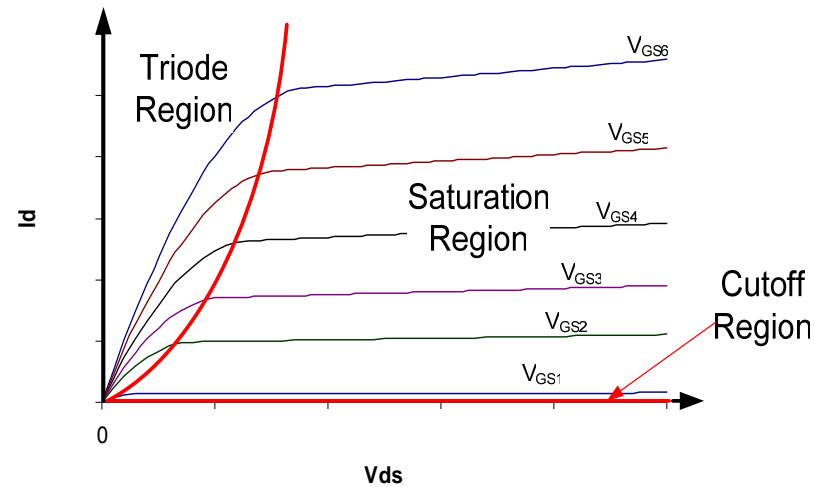
the two-variable function f_1 is quite nonlinear

D: Drain
G: Gate
S: Source

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Popular square-law model for the transistor

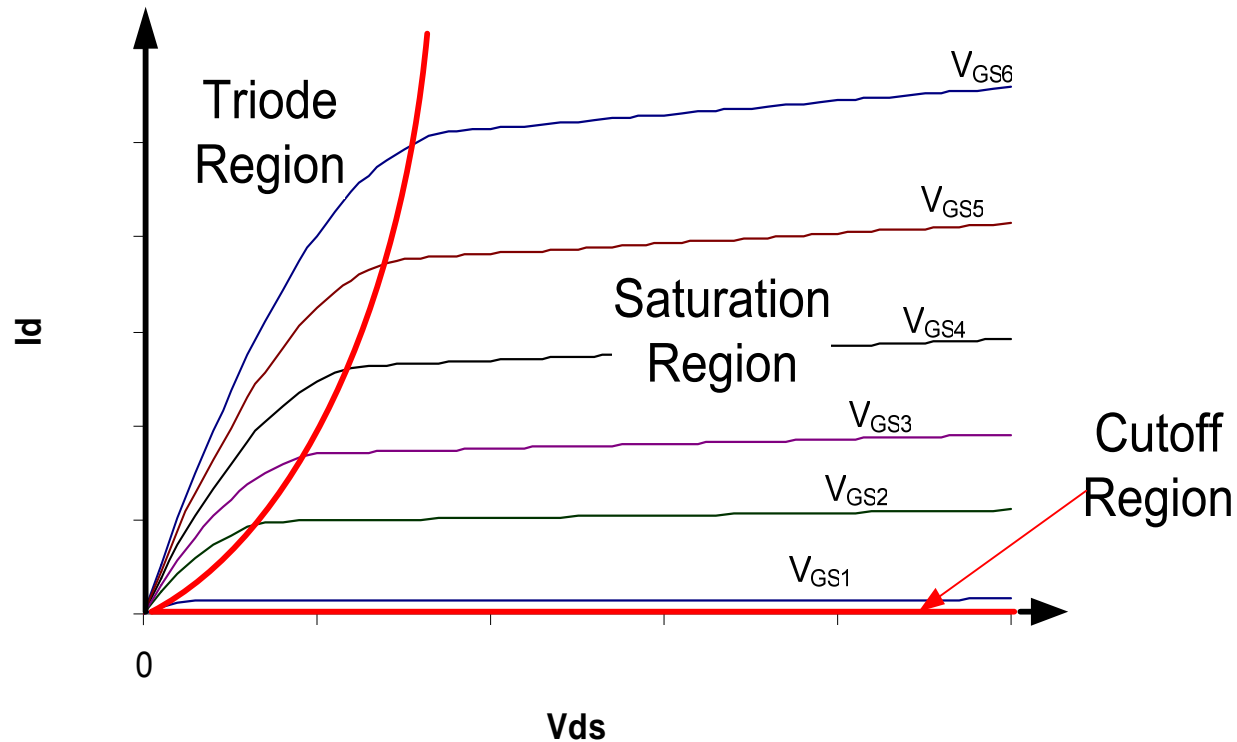
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← Cutoff
← Triode
← Saturation

$\{\mu, C_{OX}, V_T, \lambda, W, L\}$ are model parameters

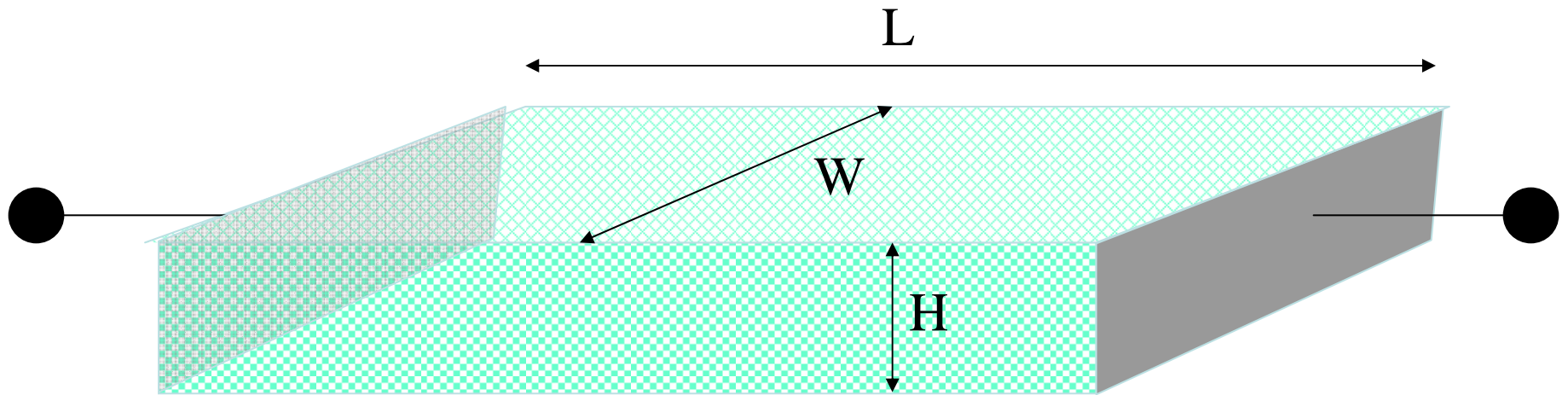
MOS Transistors



In most analog applications, the MOSFET is operated in the saturation region

In most digital applications, the MOSFET is operated in either the cutoff or triode regions and changes between these two regions as the boolean variables change from a “0” to a “1”

n-type resistor



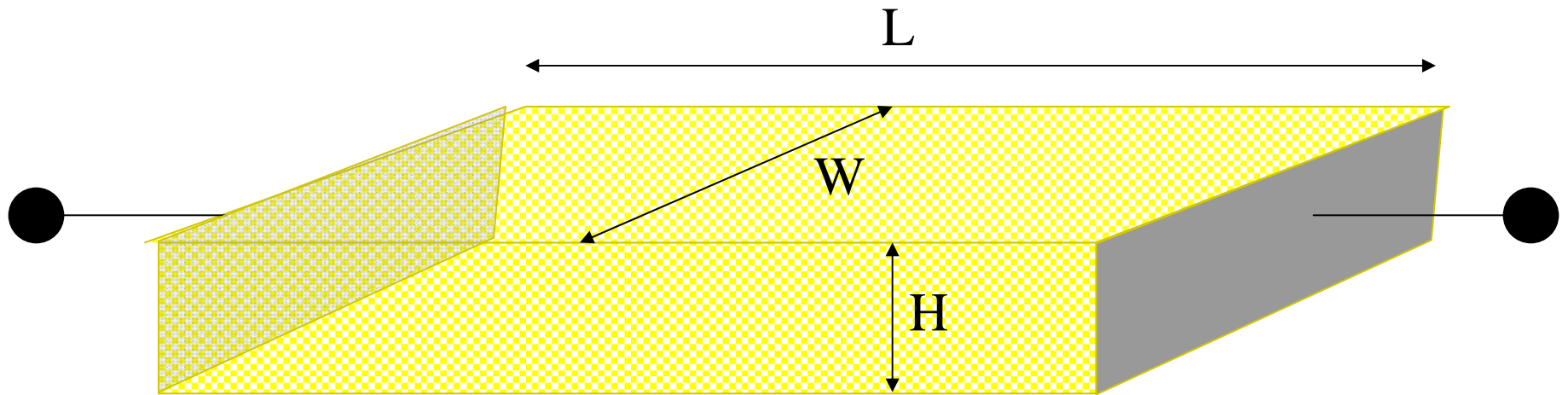
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p-type resistor



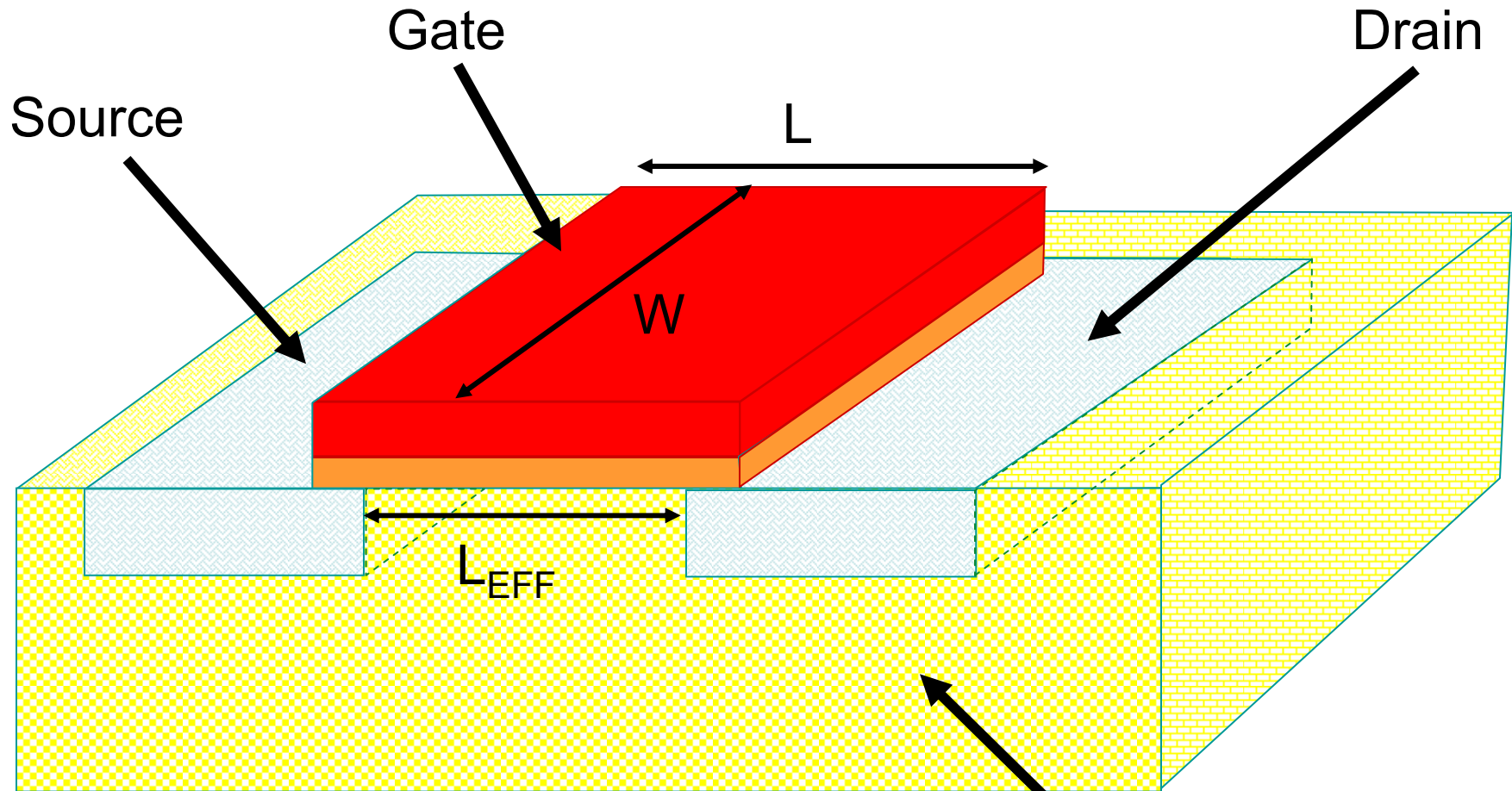
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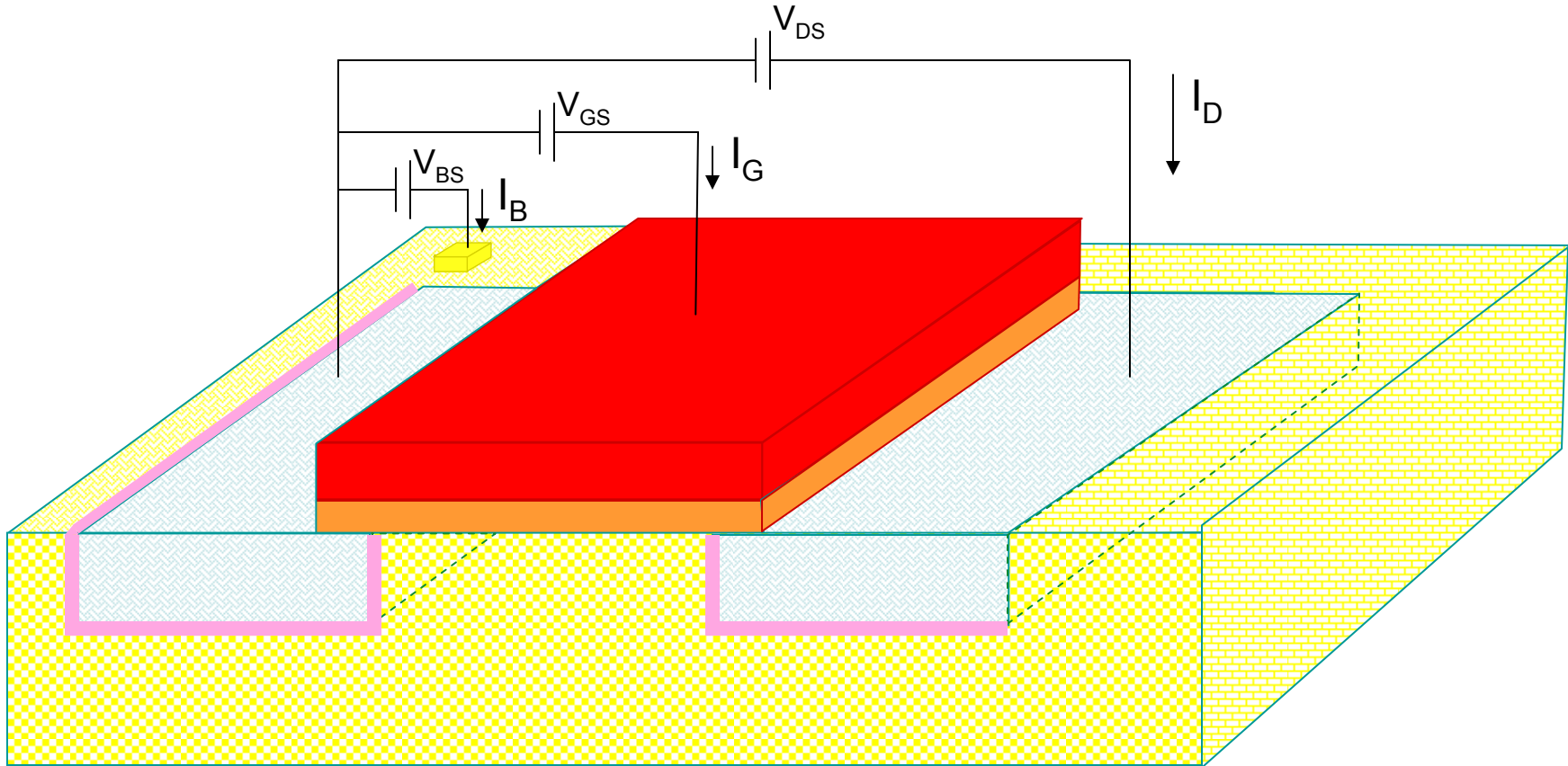
n-Channel MOSFET



- | | | | |
|---|---|---|------------|
|  | Poly |  | Gate oxide |
|  | n-active |  | p-sub |
|  | depletion region (electrically induced) | | |

Bulk

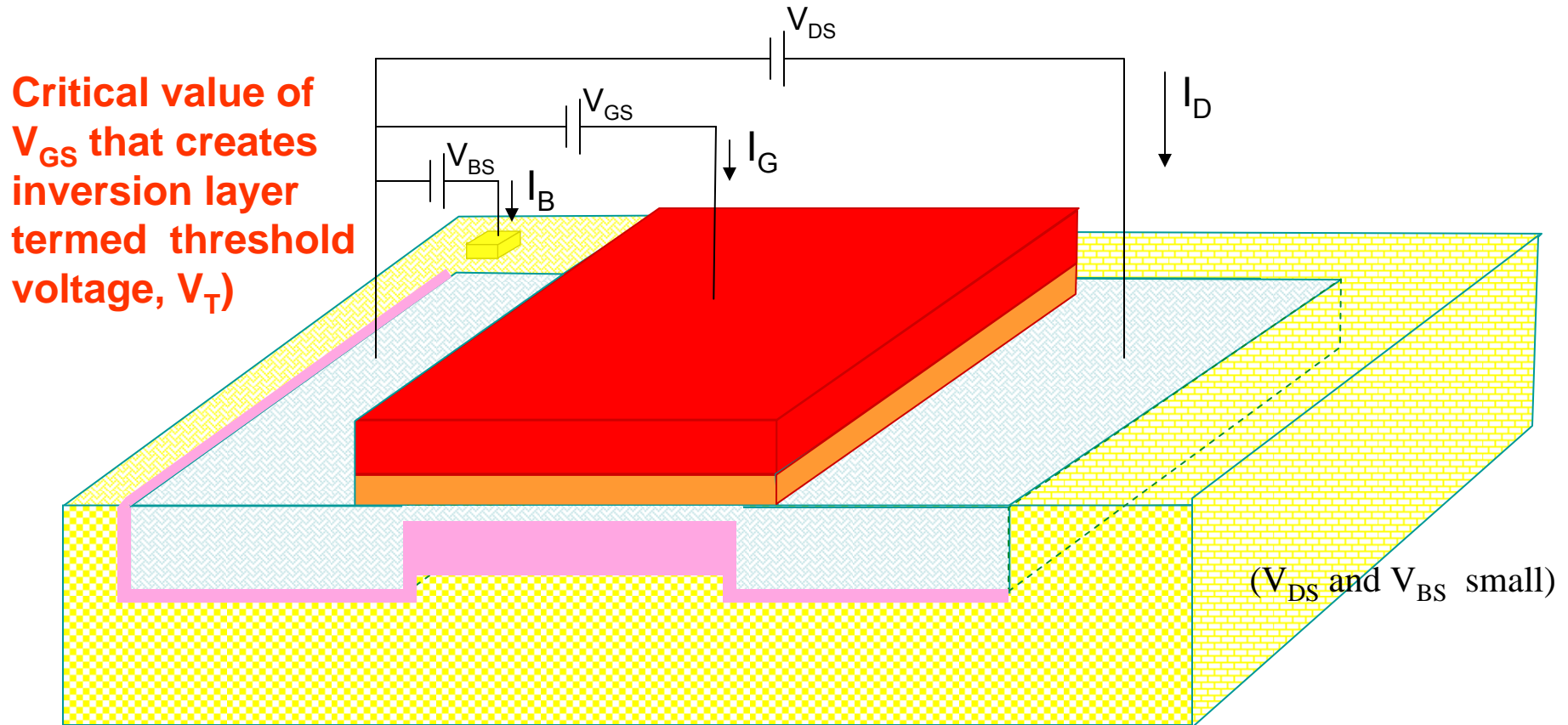
n-Channel MOSFET Operation and Model



“Cutoff” region of operation

$$\begin{aligned} I_D &= 0 \\ I_G &= 0 \\ I_B &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

n-Channel MOSFET Operation and Model



“Triode” region of operation

Inversion layer forms in channel

Inversion layer will support current flow from D to S

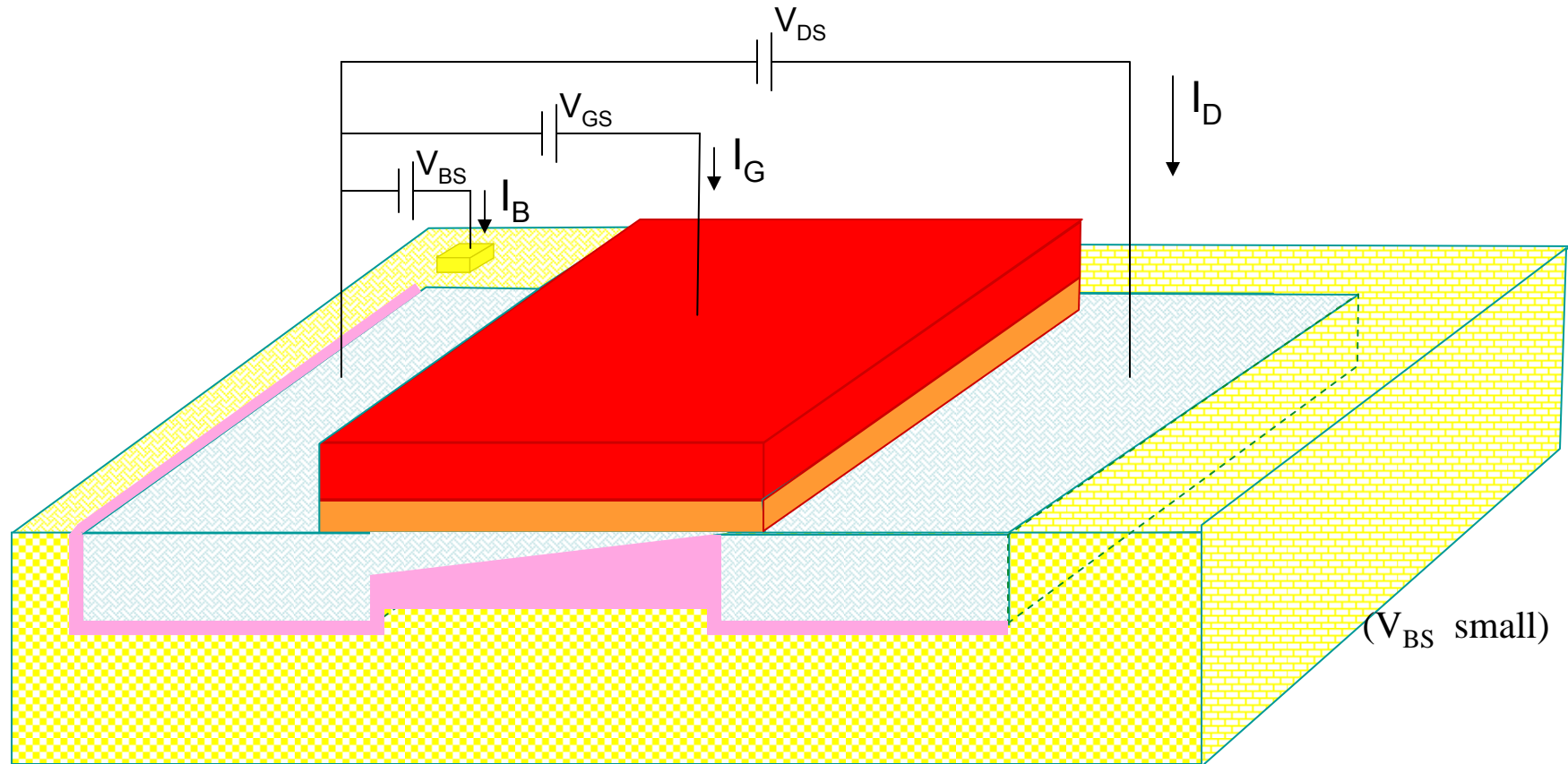
Channel behaves as thin-film resistor

$$I_D R_{CH} = V_{DS}$$

$$I_G = 0$$

$$I_B = 0$$

n-Channel MOSFET Operation and Model



“Saturation” region of operation

Inversion layer disappears near drain

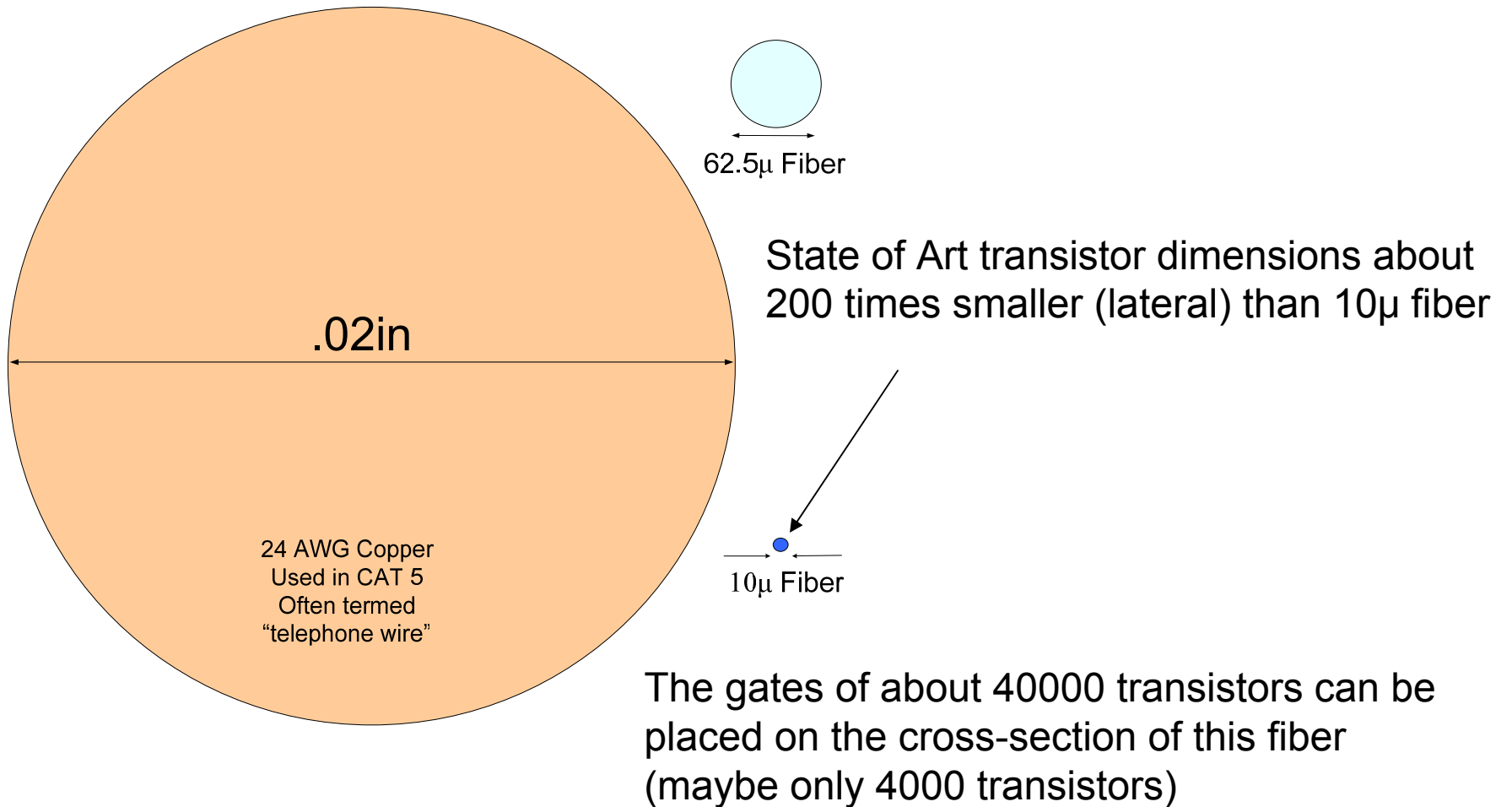
Saturation first occurs when $V_{DS} = V_{GS} - V_T$

$$I_D = ?$$

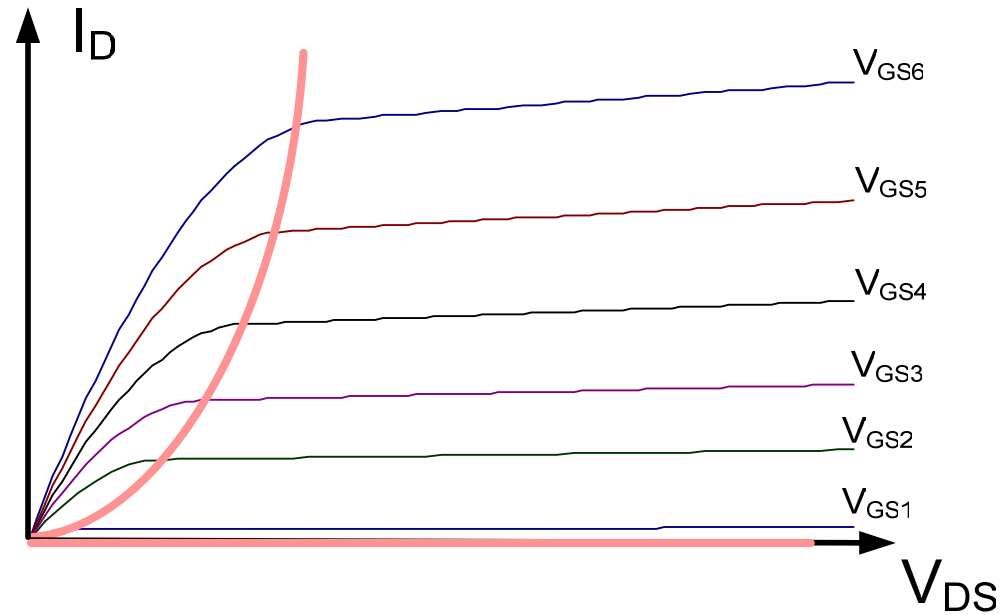
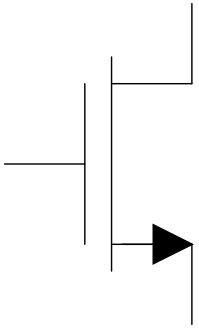
$$I_G = 0$$

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Transistor Size Comparison with 24AWG Copper Cable (Drawn to scale)



MOS Transistors



Standard square-law model

$$I_G = 0$$

$$I_D = \begin{cases} 0 & V_{GS} < V_T \\ \left(\frac{\mu C_{ox} W}{L}\right) \left(V_{GS} - V_T - \frac{V_{DS}}{2}\right) V_{DS} & V_{GS} \geq V_T, V_{DS} \leq V_{GS} - V_T \\ \left(\frac{\mu C_{ox} W}{2L}\right) (V_{GS} - V_T)^2 (1 + \lambda V_{DS}) & V_{GS} \geq V_T, V_{DS} > V_{GS} - V_T \end{cases}$$

$$V_{GS} < V_T$$

Cutoff

$$V_{GS} \geq V_T, V_{DS} \leq V_{GS} - V_T$$

Triode

$$V_{GS} \geq V_T, V_{DS} > V_{GS} - V_T$$

Saturation

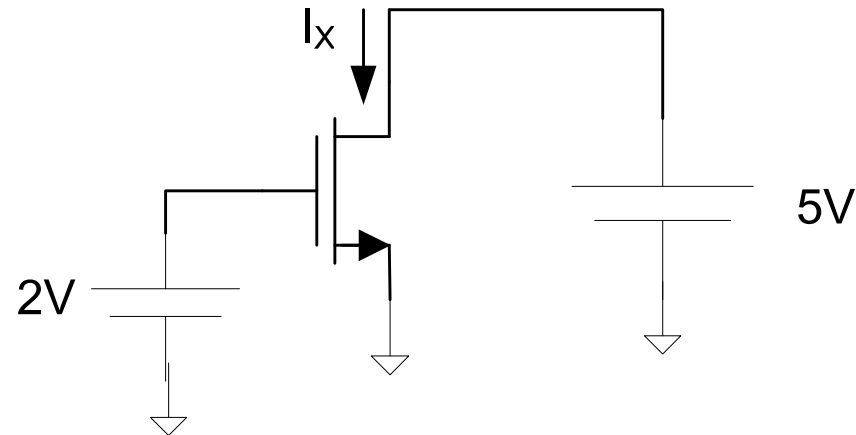
$$\mu C_{ox} \approx 10^{-4} \text{ A/V}^2$$

$$\lambda \approx .01 \text{ V}^{-1}$$

$$V_T \approx 0.5 \text{ V to } 3 \text{ V}$$

W/L varies by design

Example:



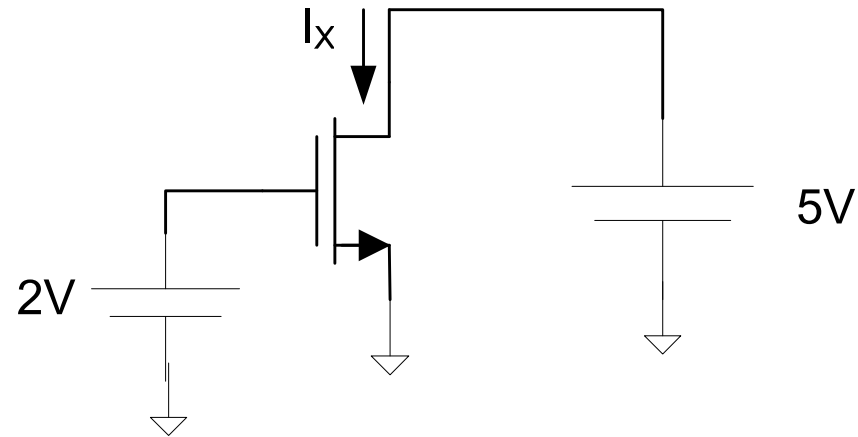
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Guess Saturation:

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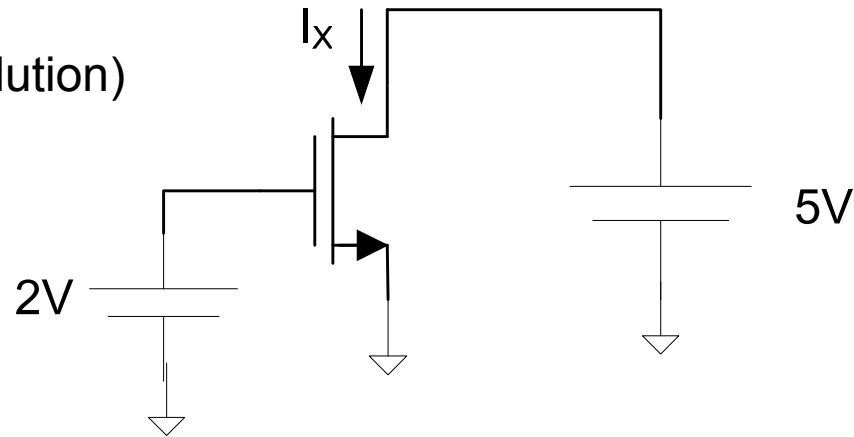
$$2V \geq 1V$$

$$5V > 2V - 1V$$

$$I_D = 0.25mA$$

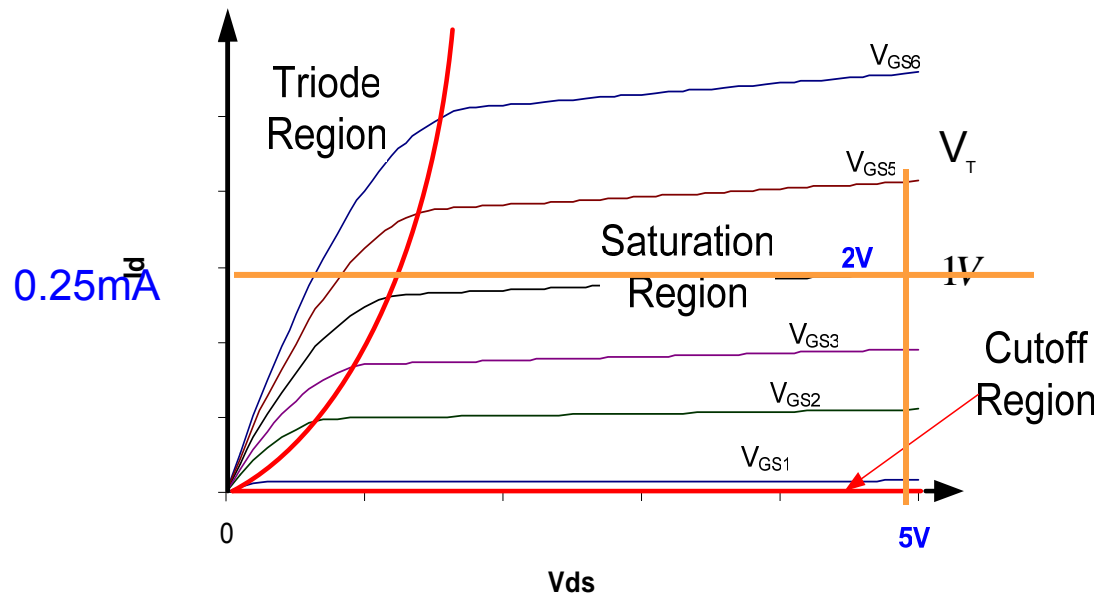
Example:

(alternative graphical solution)

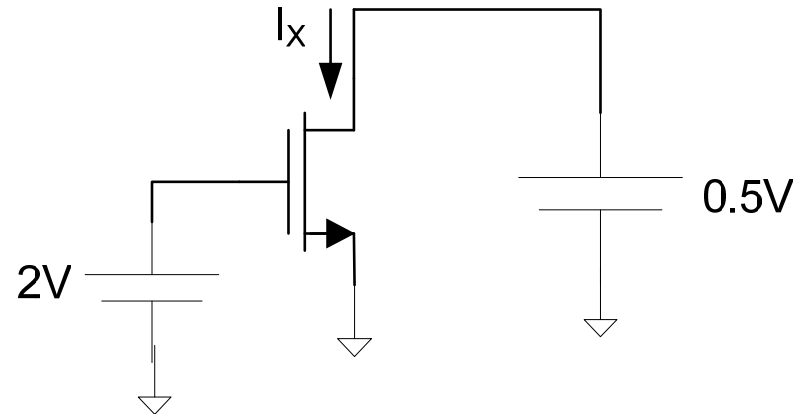


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Consider model for THIS device:



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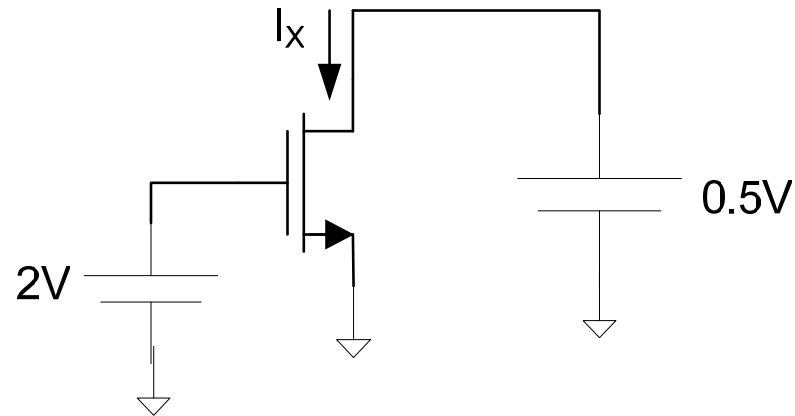
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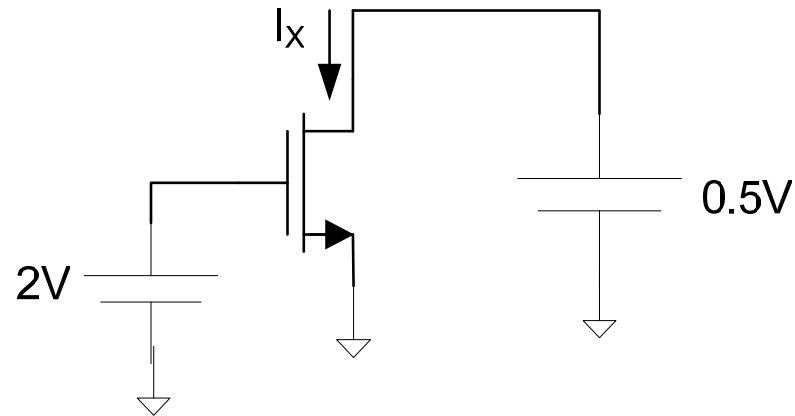
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Verification Fails

Example:



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Guess Triode:

$$I_D = \mu C_{OX} \frac{W}{L} \left(V_{GS} - V_T - \frac{V_{DS}}{2} \right) V_{DS}$$

$$V_{GS} \geq V_T \quad V_{DS} < V_{GS} - V_T$$

$$I_D = 10^{-4} \frac{10\mu}{2\mu} (2 - 1 - 0.25) 0.25$$

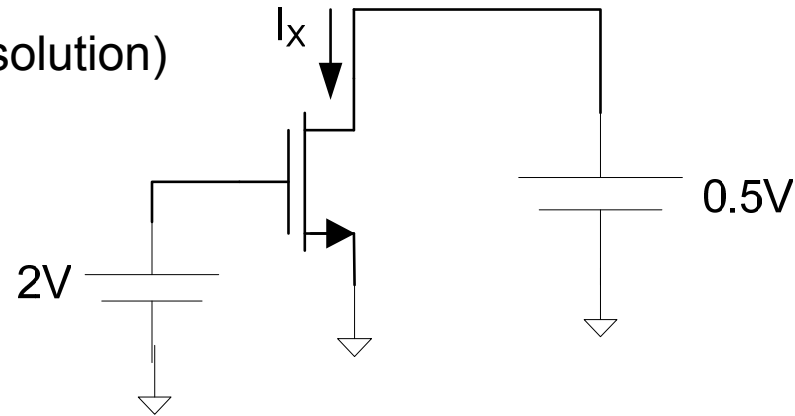
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$$I_D = 94\mu A$$

Verification Passes

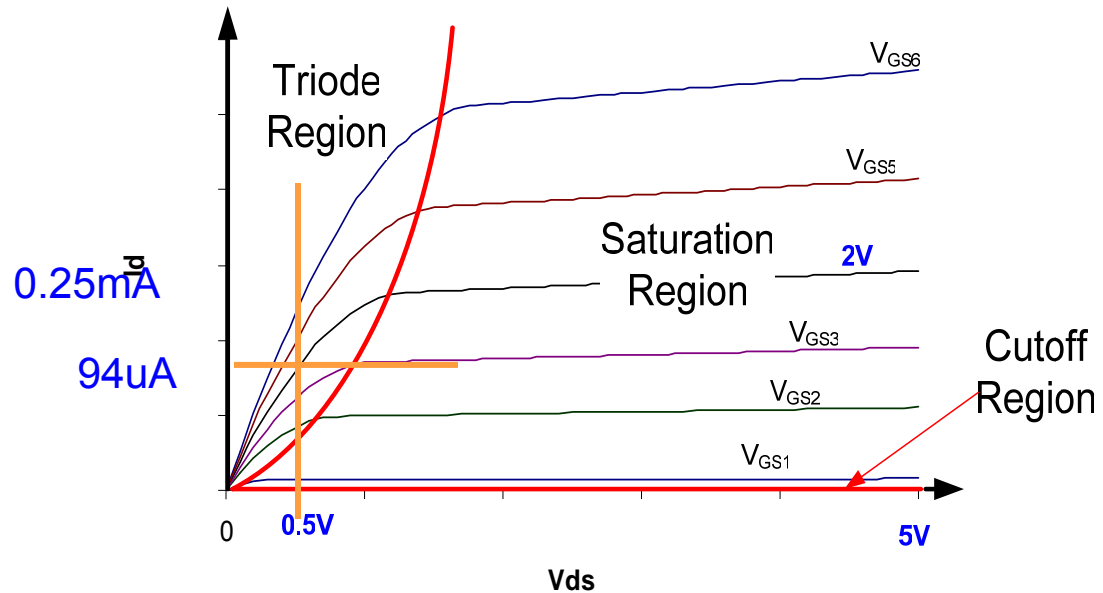
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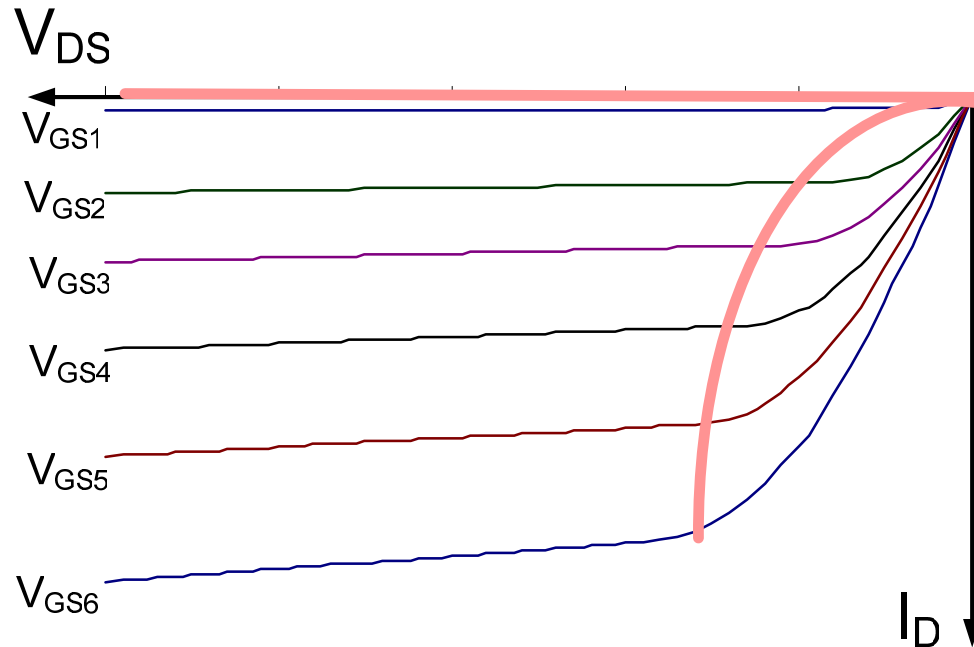
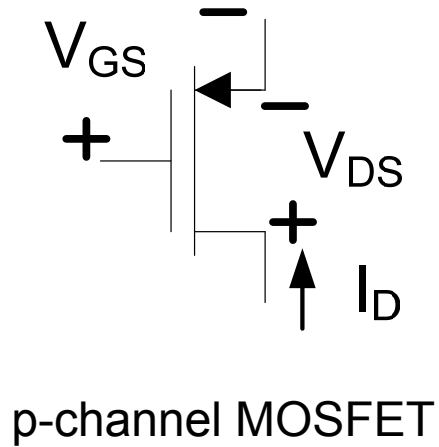


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Standard square-law model

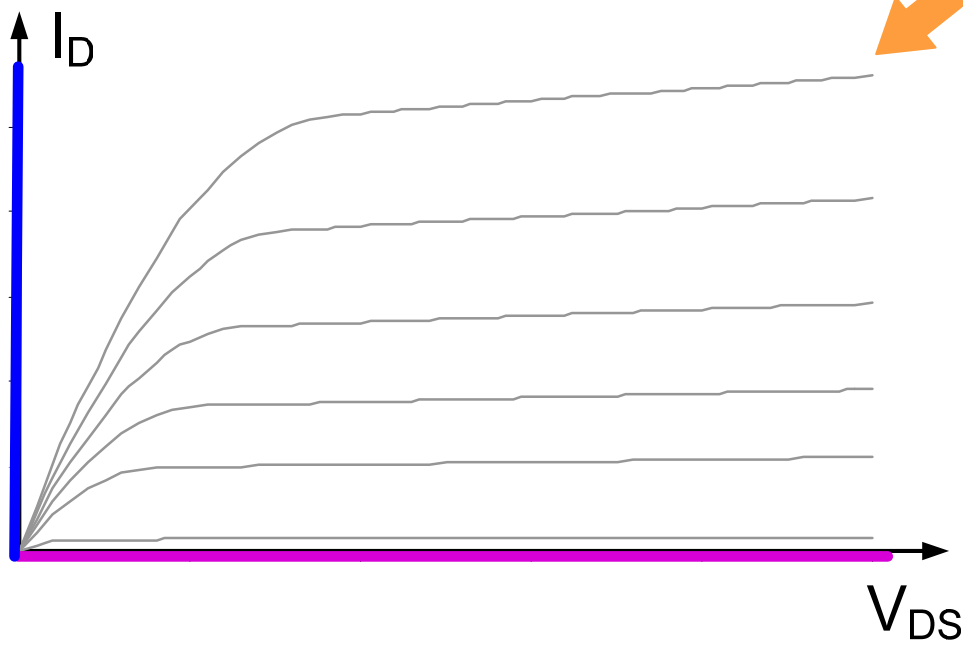
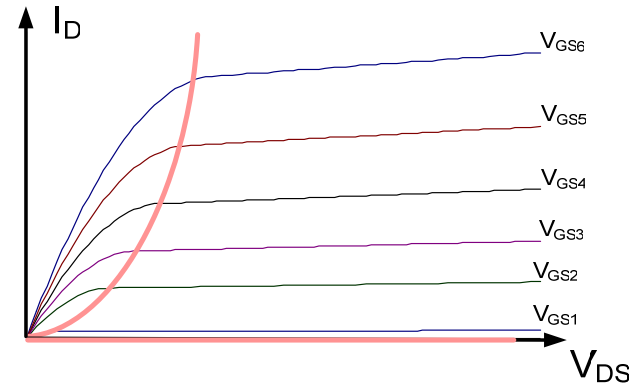
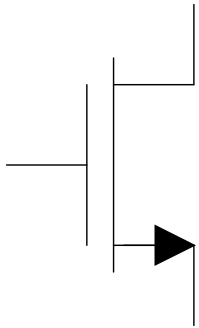
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Cutoff	$V_T < 0$
Triode	$I_D \leq 0$
Saturation	$V_{DS} \leq 0$

MOS Transistor Models

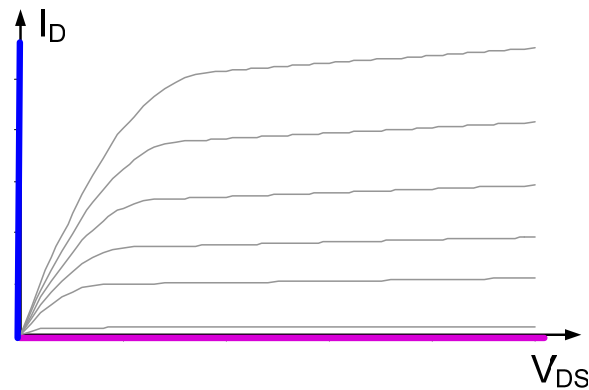
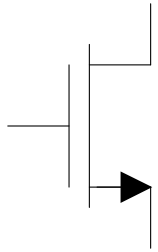
simplifications



$I_G = 0$
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Switch-level dc model – good enough for predicting basic operation of many digital circuits

MOS Transistor Models simplifications



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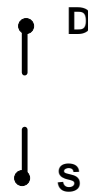
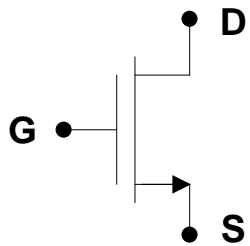
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Cutoff

Triode

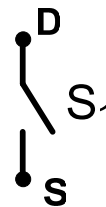
Equivalent Circuit Models



$$V_{GS} < V_T$$



$$V_{GS} > V_T$$

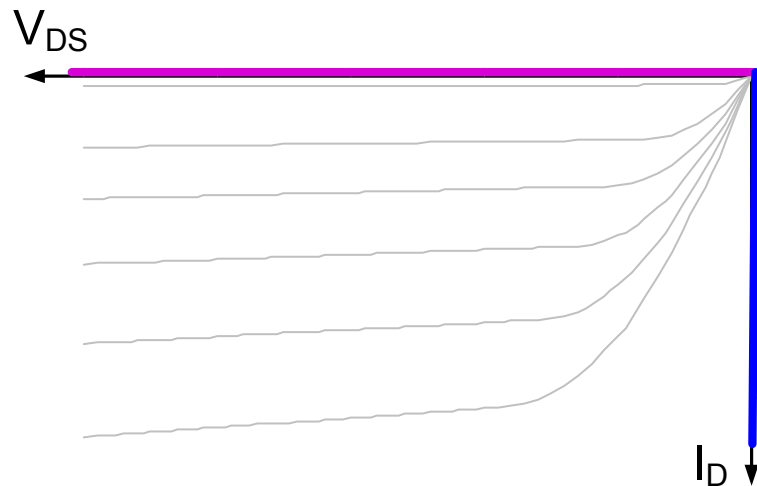
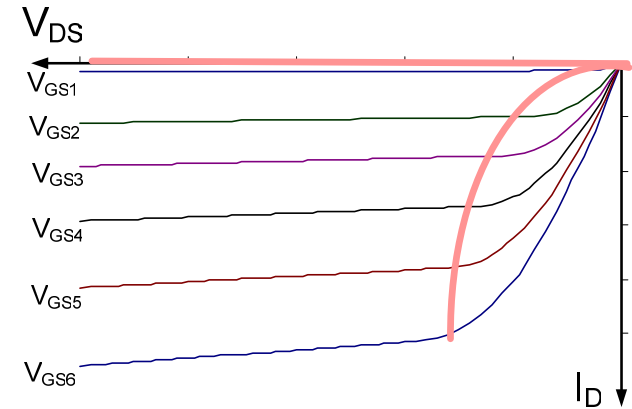
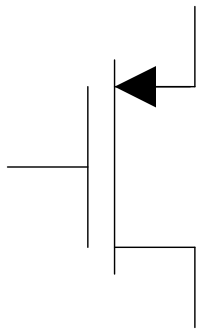


S_1 open for $V_{GS} < V_T$

S_1 closed for $V_{GS} > V_T$

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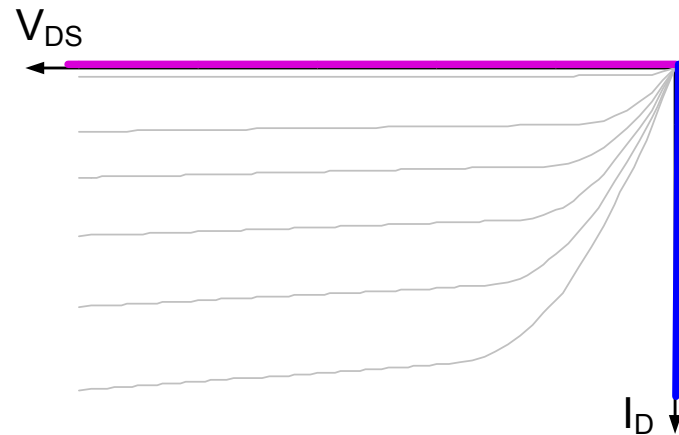
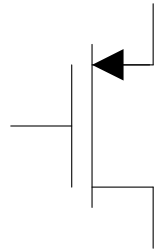
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$I_G = 0$		
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$V_{DS} = 0$	$V_{GS} \leq V_T$	Triode

Switch-level dc model — good enough for predicting basic operation of many digital circuits

MOS Transistor Models simplifications



$$I_G = 0$$

$$I_D = 0$$

$$V_{DS} = 0$$

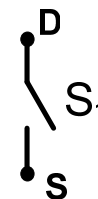
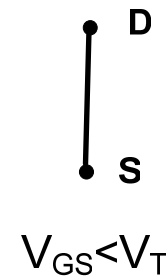
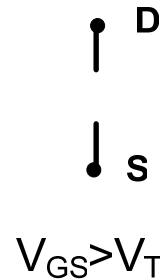
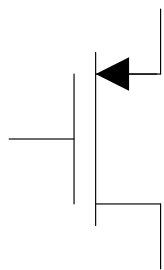
$$V_{GS} > V_T$$

$$V_{GS} \leq V_T$$

Cutoff

Triode

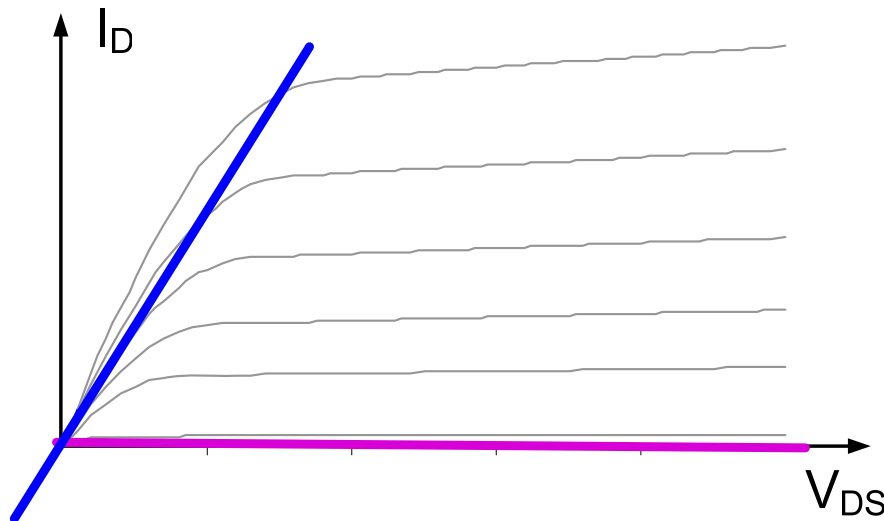
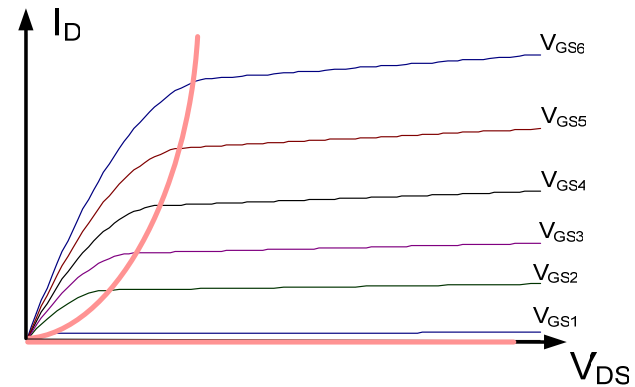
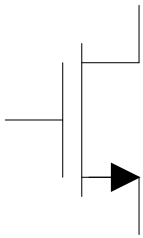
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S_1 open for $V_{GS} > V_T$

S_1 closed for $V_{GS} < V_T$

MOS Transistor Models simplifications



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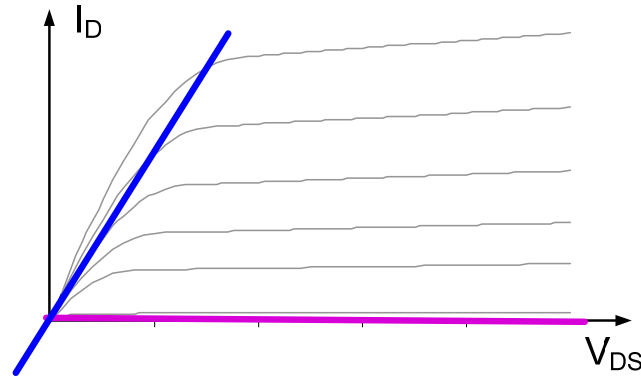
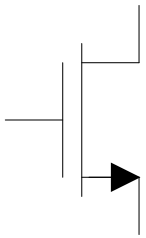
Cutoff

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$$R_{FET} \cong \frac{1}{V_{GS} - V_T} \left(\frac{L}{\mu C_{OX} W} \right)$$

Better Switch-level dc model — good enough for predicting basic operation of many digital circuits and can be used to predict speed performance if parasitic capacitances are added

MOS Transistor Models simplifications



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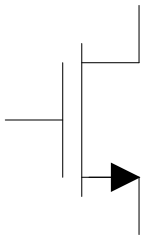
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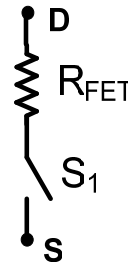
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$$V_{GS} > V_T$$



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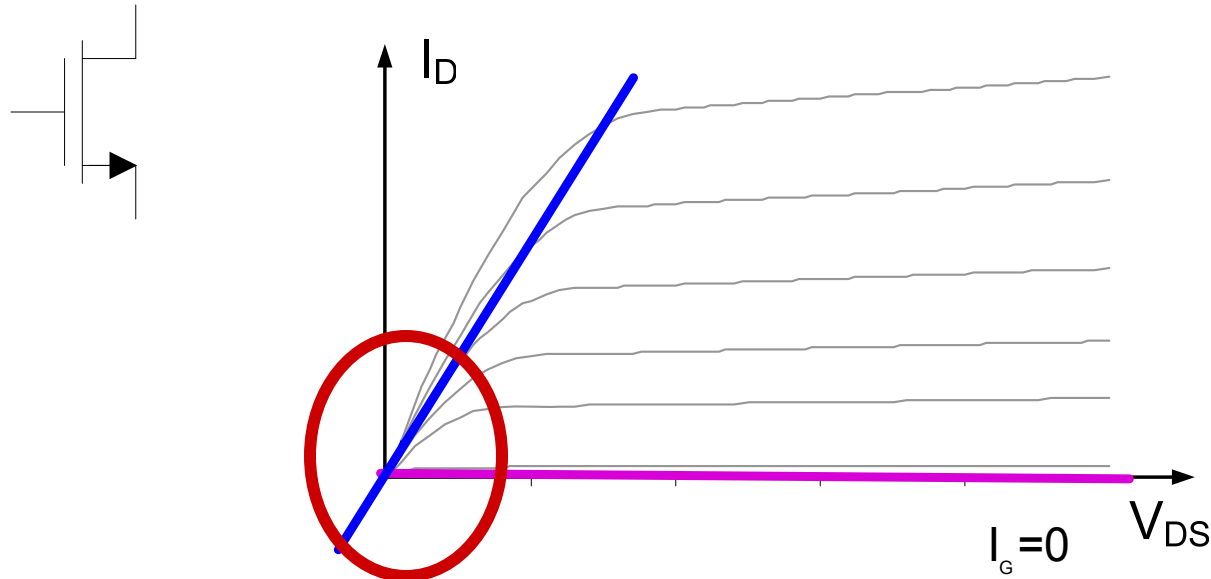


S_1 closed for $V_{GS} > V_T$

S_1 open $V_{GS} < V_T$

MOS Transistor Models

Voltage Variable Resistor (VVR) operation



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$$I_D = \begin{cases} 0 & V_{GS} < V_T \\ V_{DS} / R_{FET} & V_{GS} \geq V_T \end{cases}$$

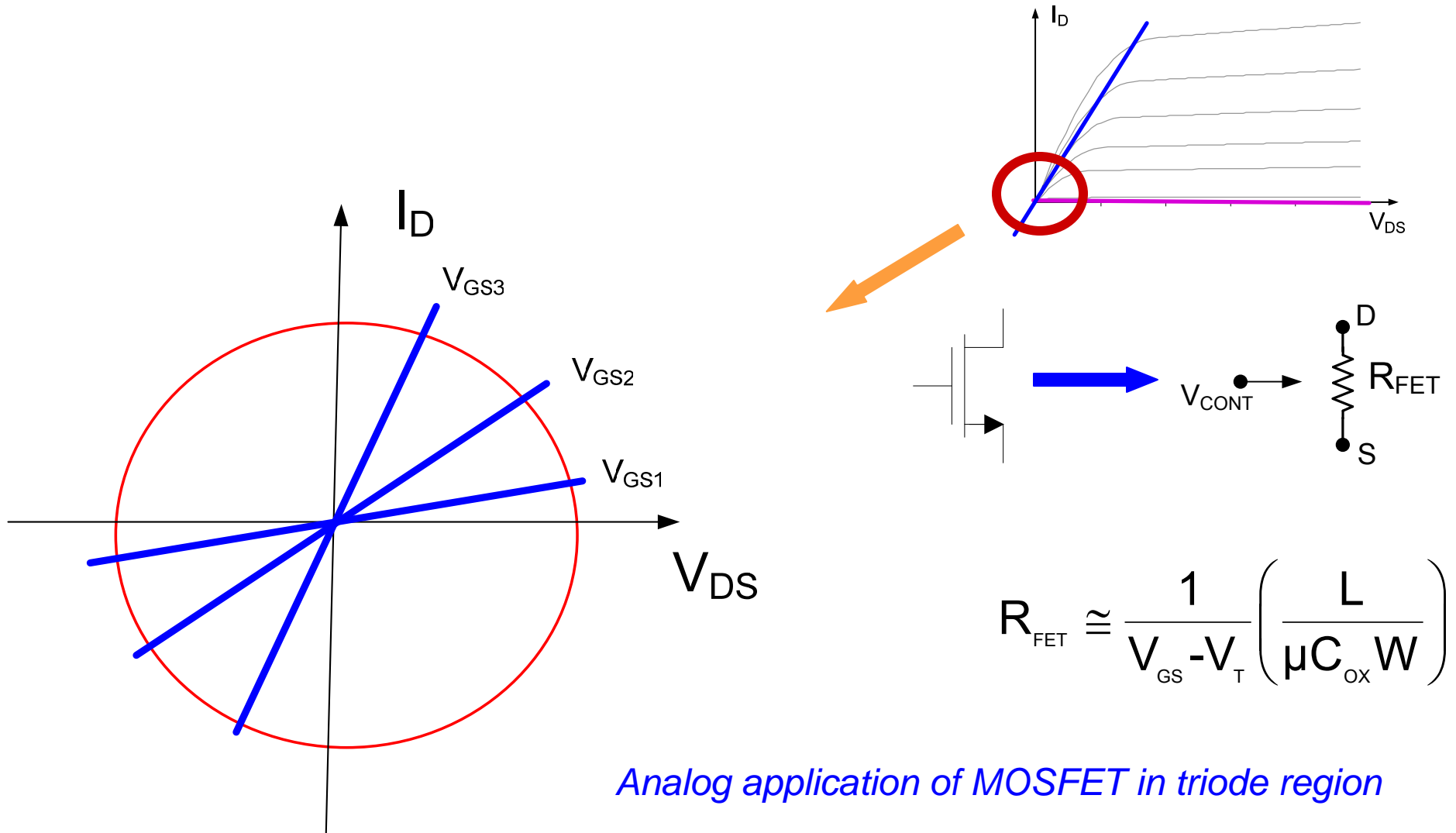
Cutoff
Triode

VVR Application – dc gate to source voltage can be used to control the resistance

Widespread applications in analog circuits and computer-control of electronic circuits

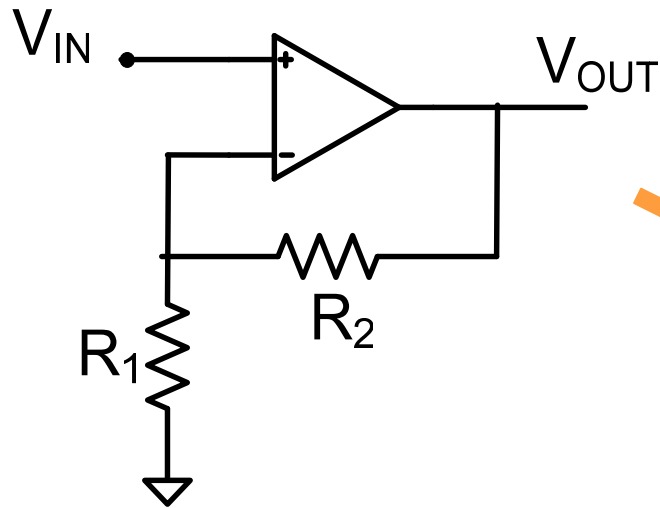
MOS Transistor Models

Voltage Variable Resistor (VVR) operation

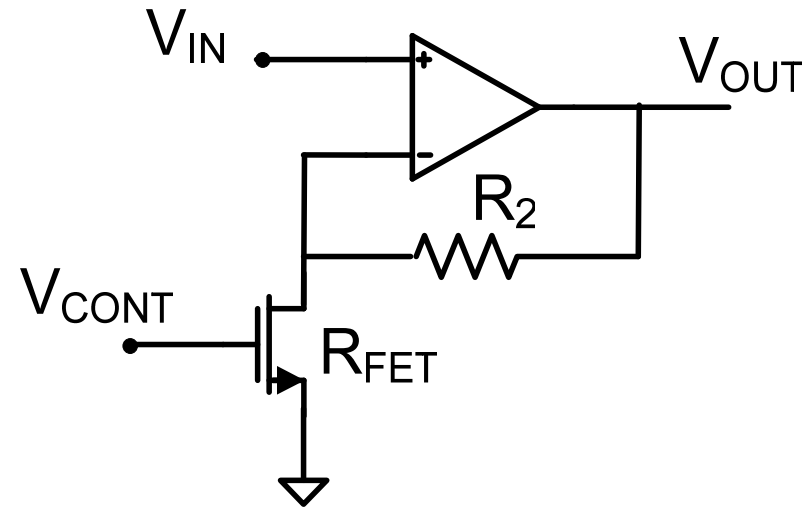


Analog application of MOSFET in triode region

Voltage Variable Resistor



$$A_V = 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}$$

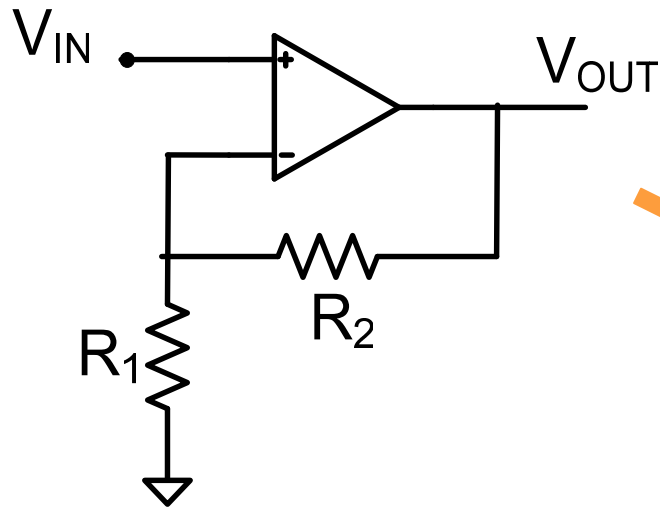


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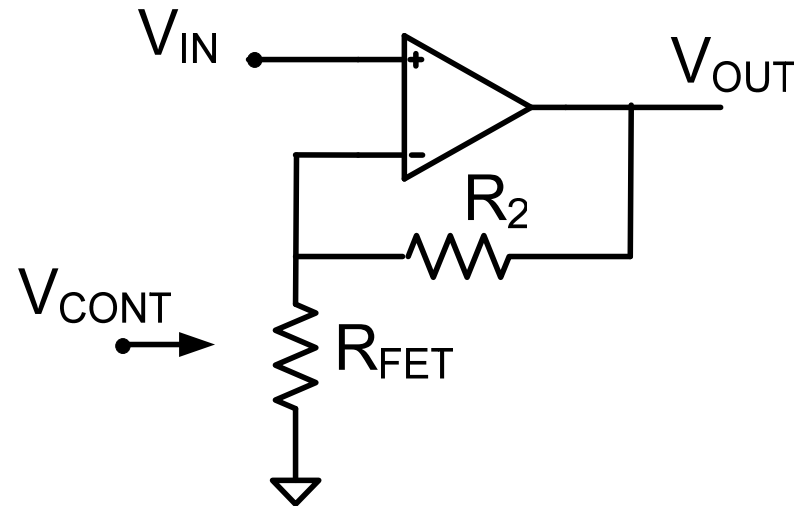
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