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# Compact Modelling of LDMOS Devices

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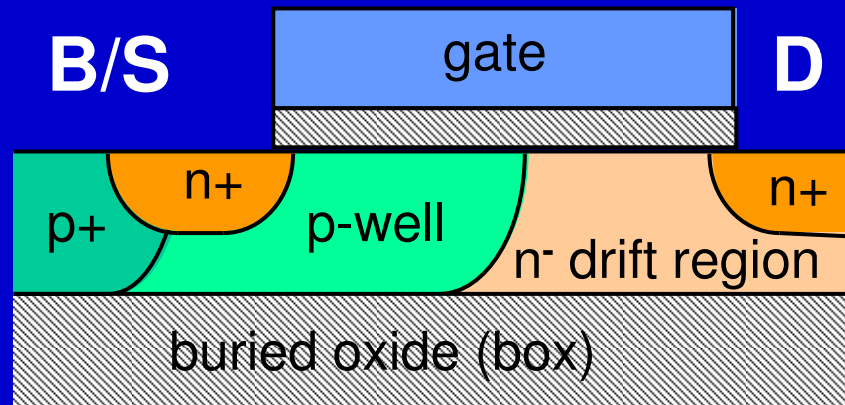
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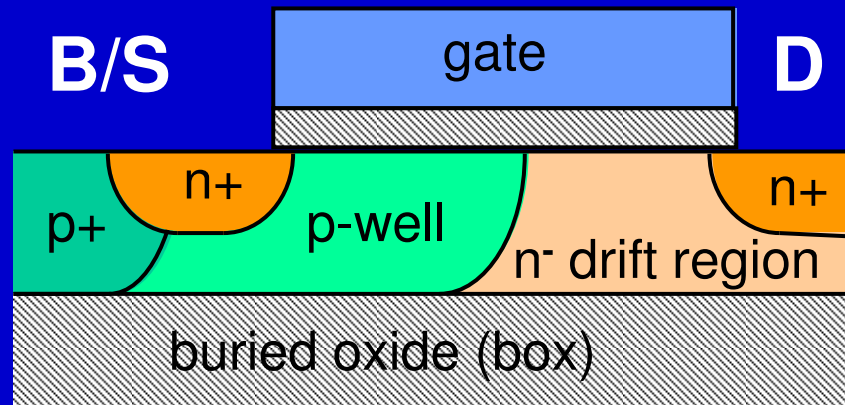
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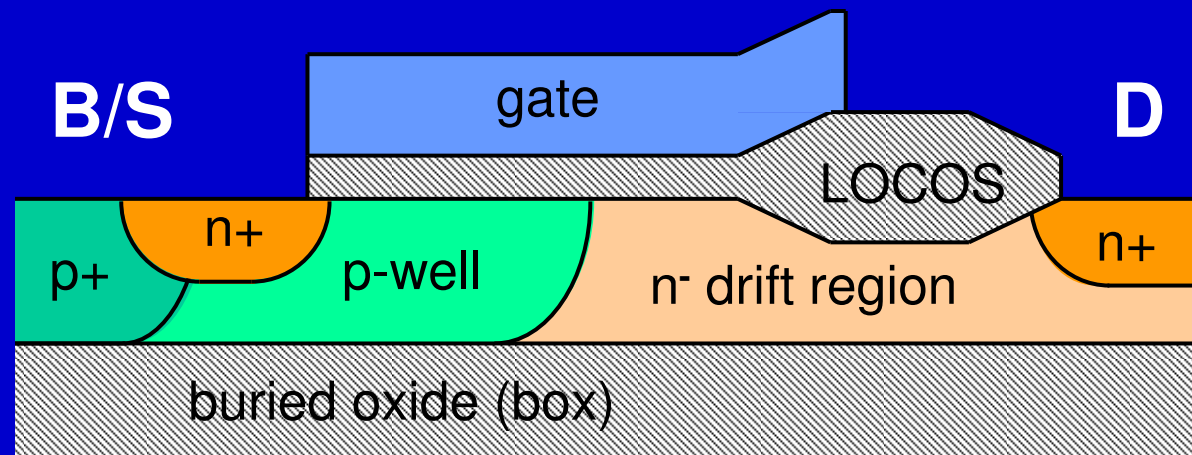
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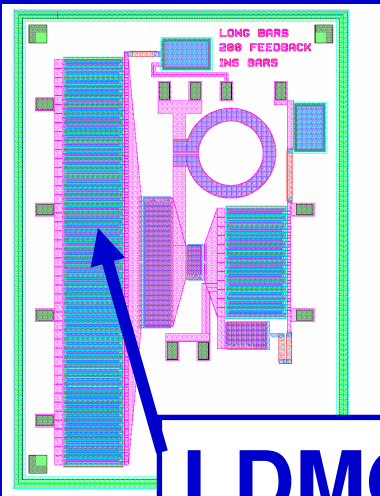
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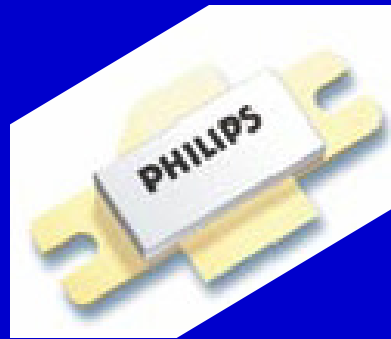
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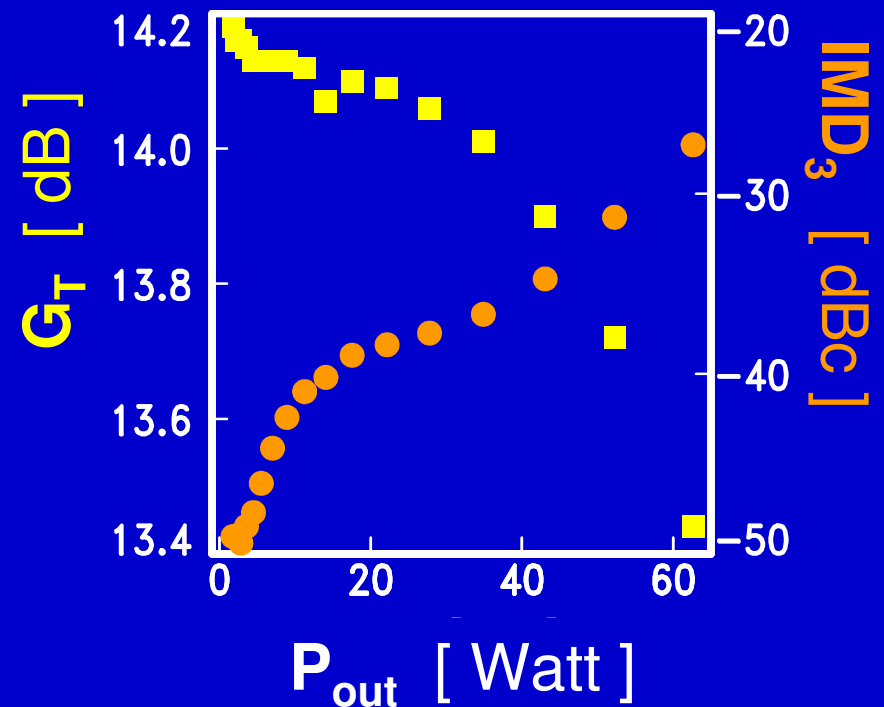


**LDMOS**



## RF-power amplifiers

@ 2.2 GHz

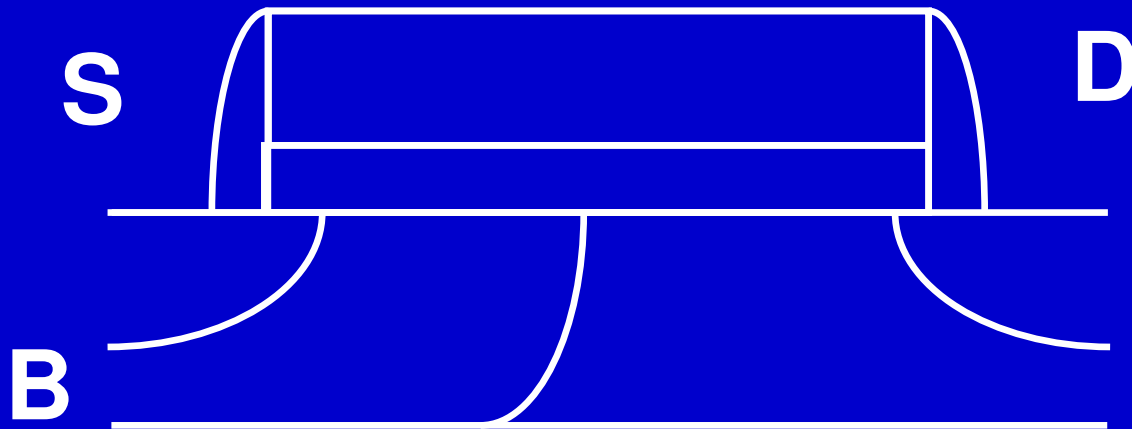


**LDMOS applications  $\Rightarrow$  accurate modelling  
important**

# modelling approach: sub-circuit models

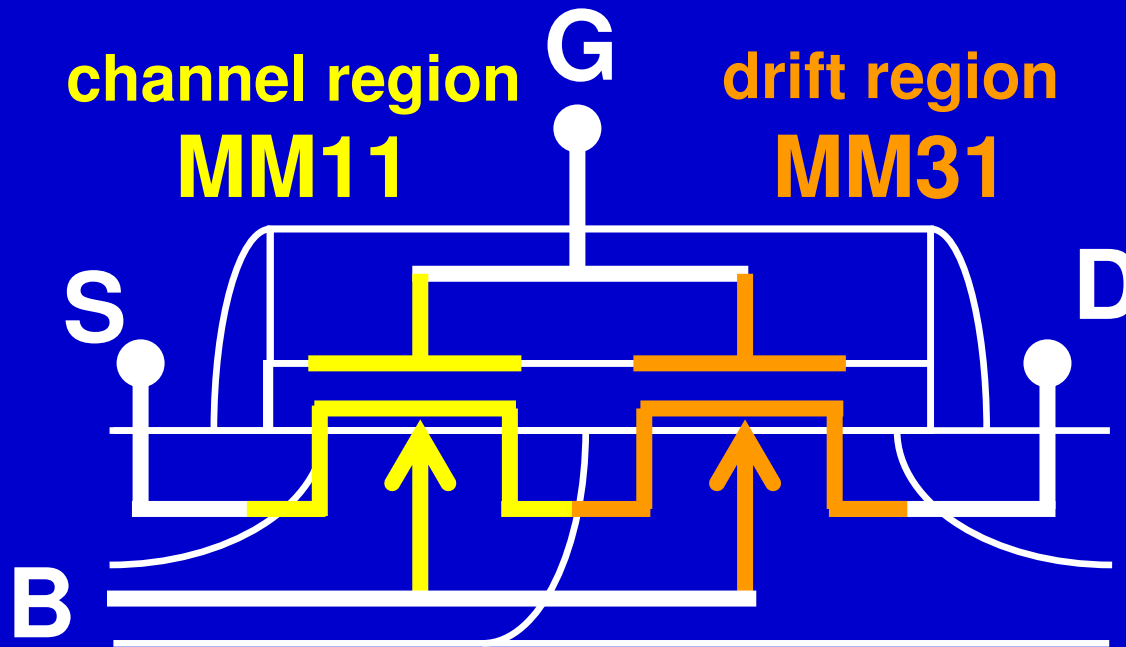
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channel region **G** drift region



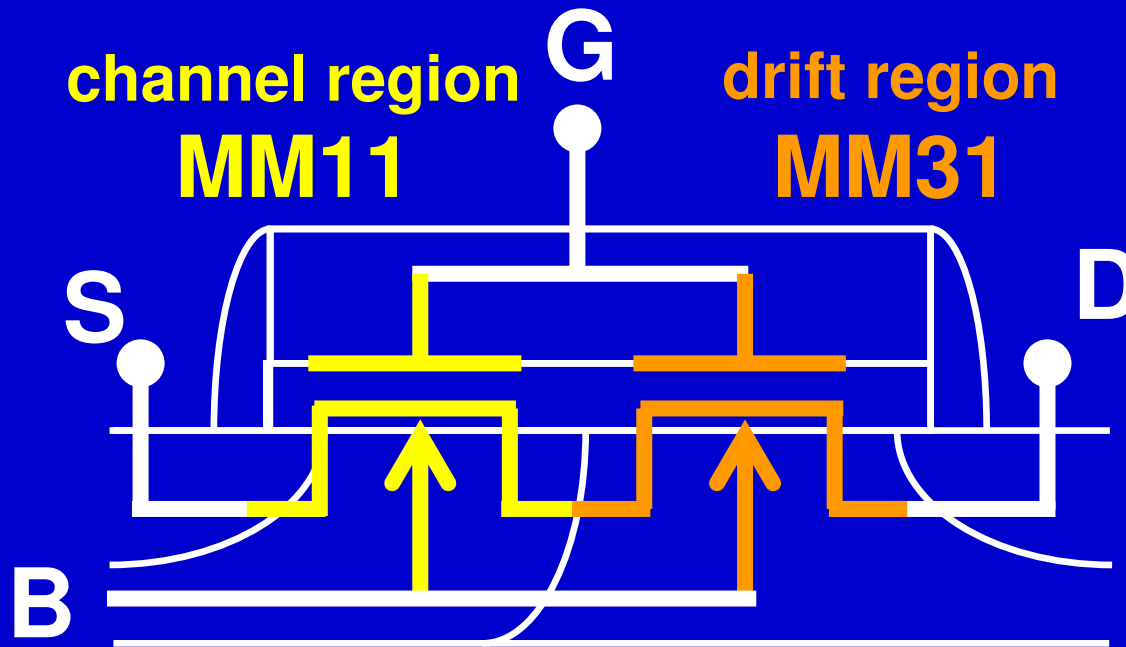
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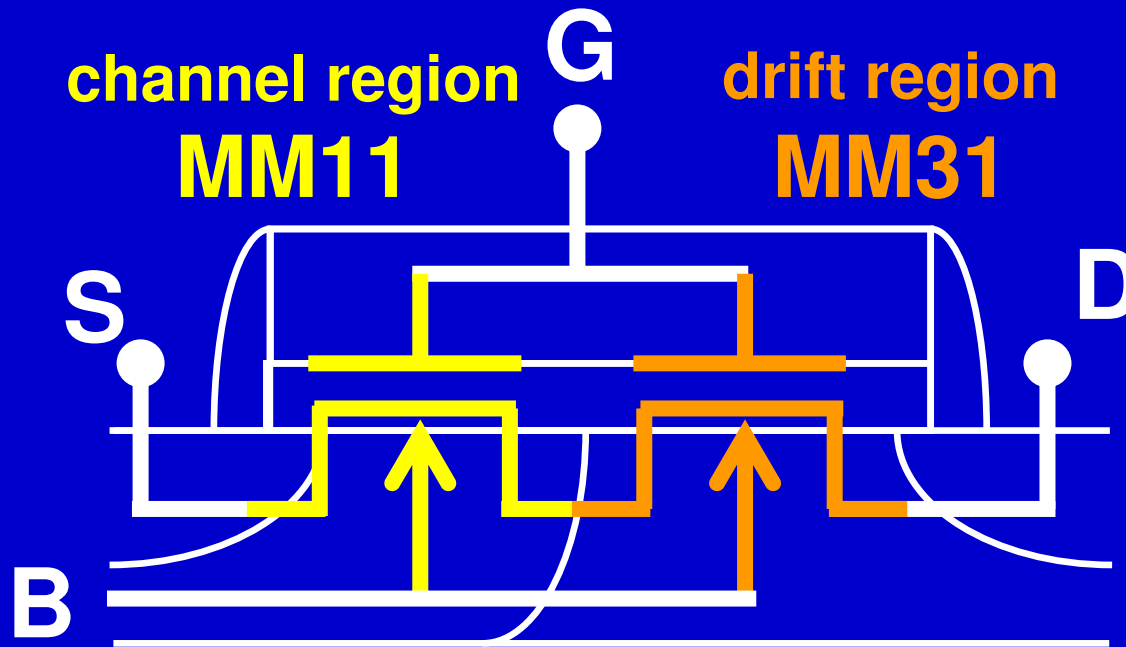


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channel / drift region

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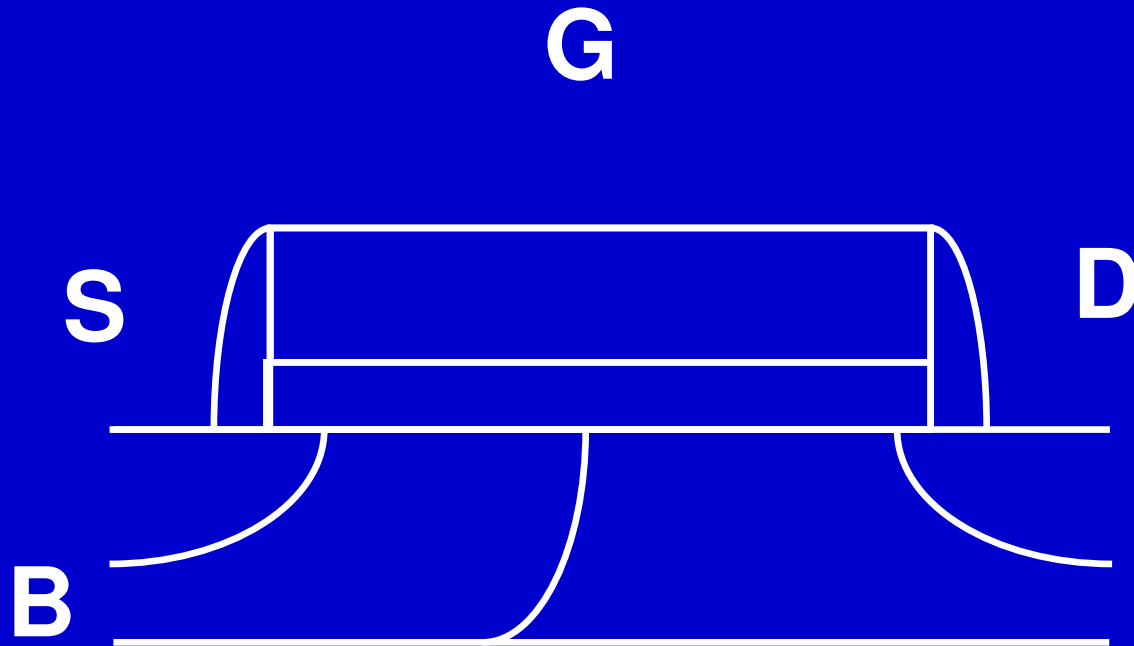
## con's

- uncontrolled node
- computation time /  
convergence



# modelling approach: single models

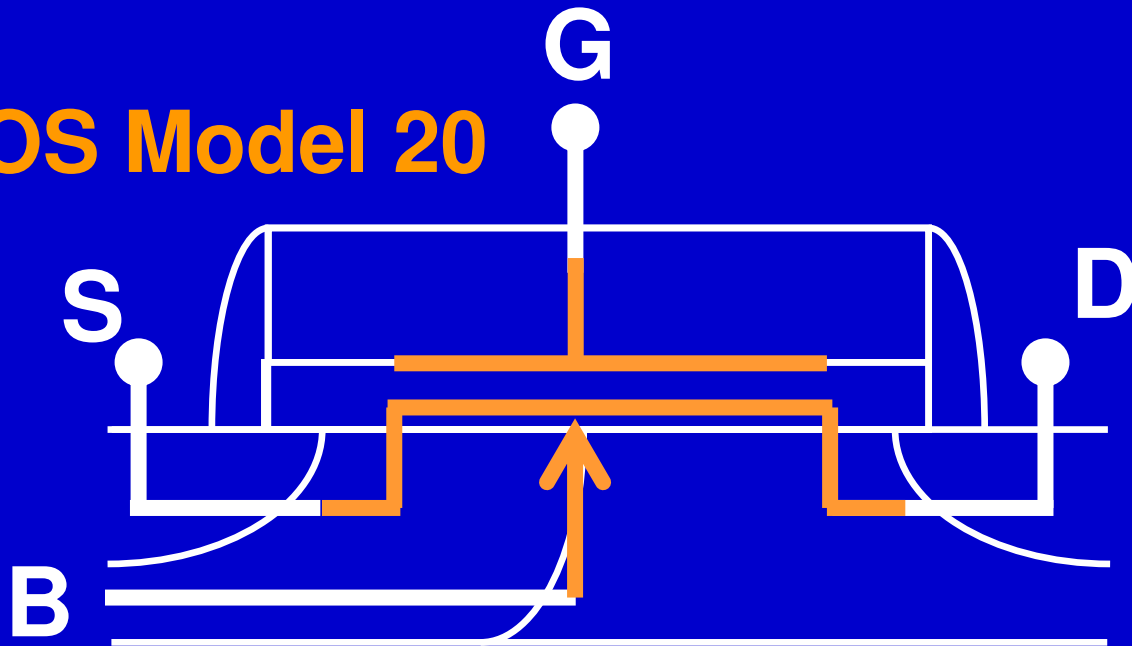
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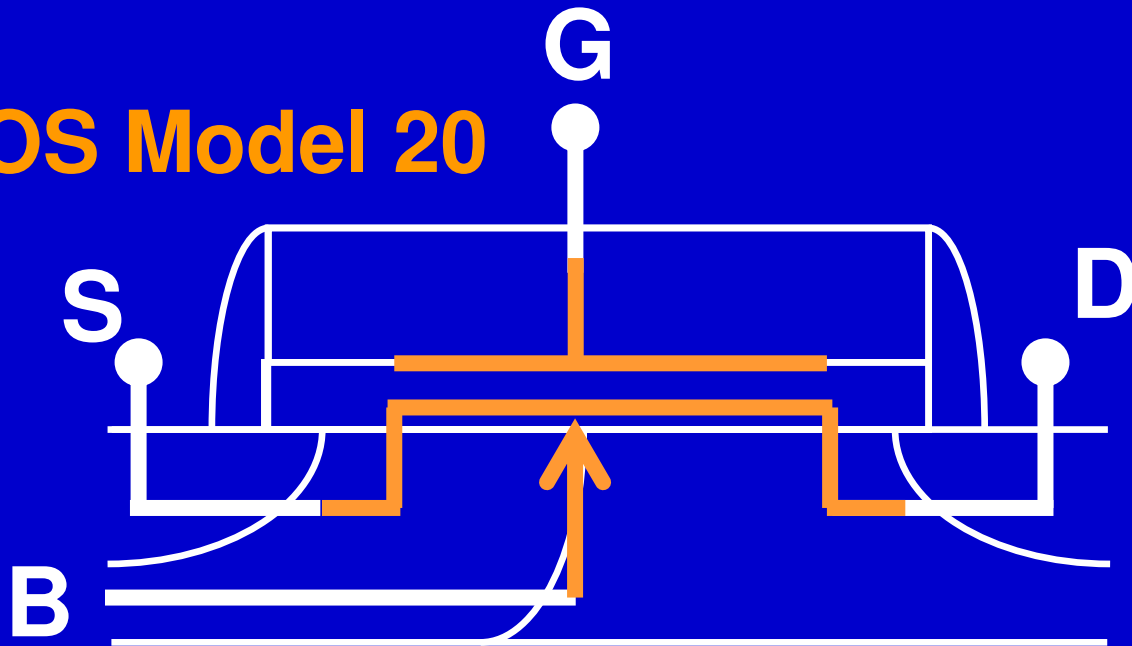
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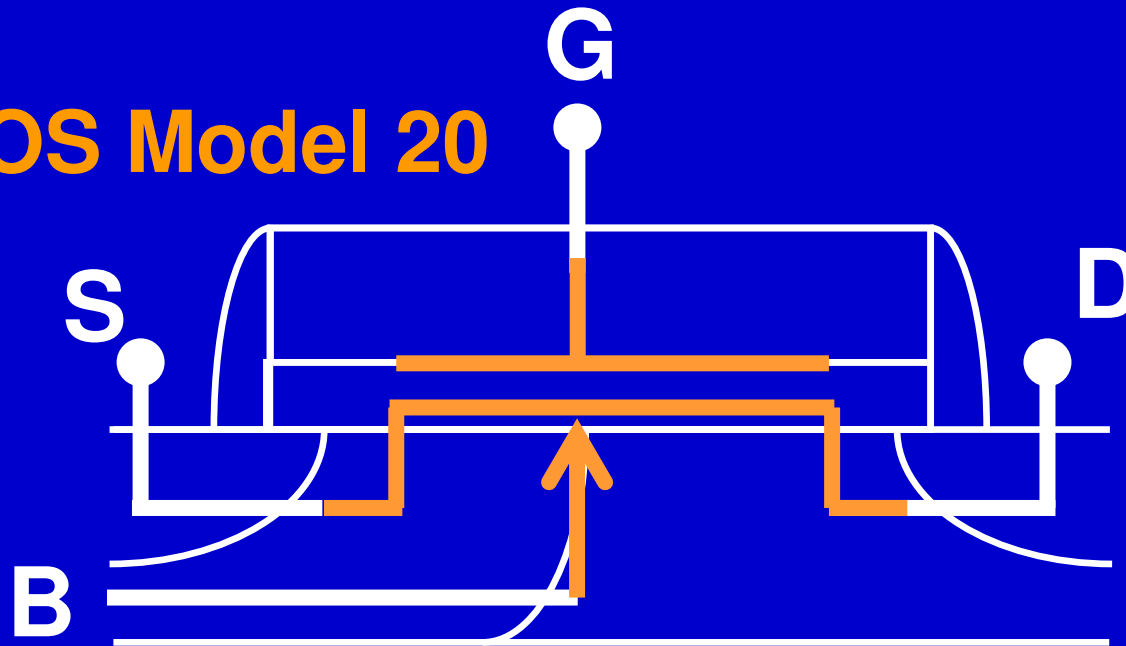
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### con's

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channel / drift region

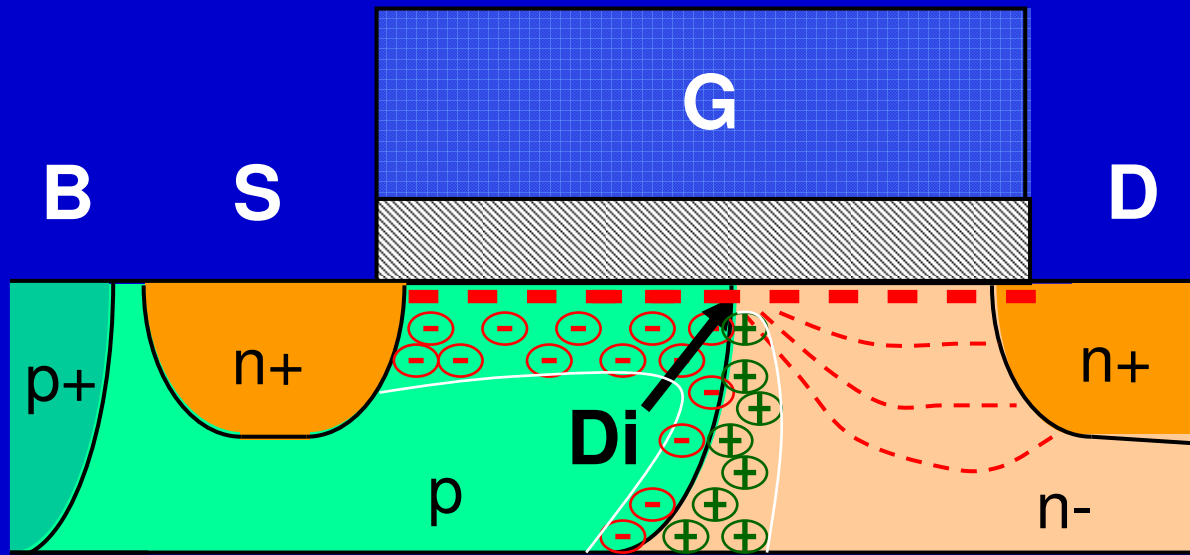
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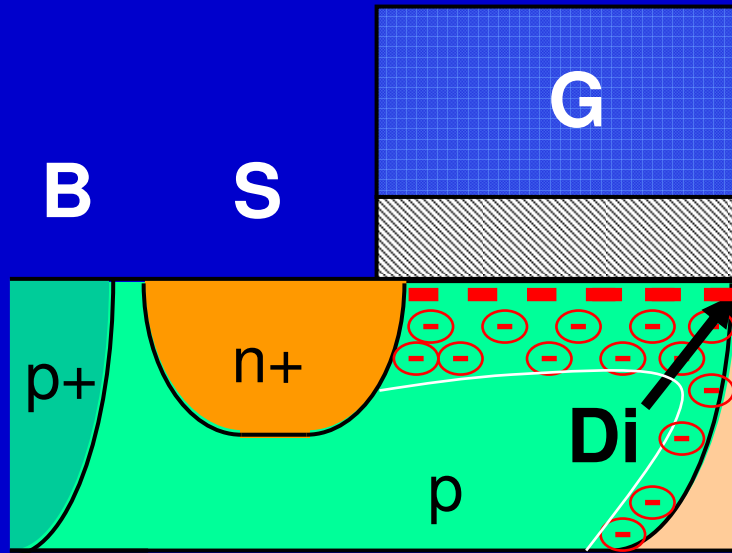
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Continuity eq:  $I_{ch} = I_{dr}$

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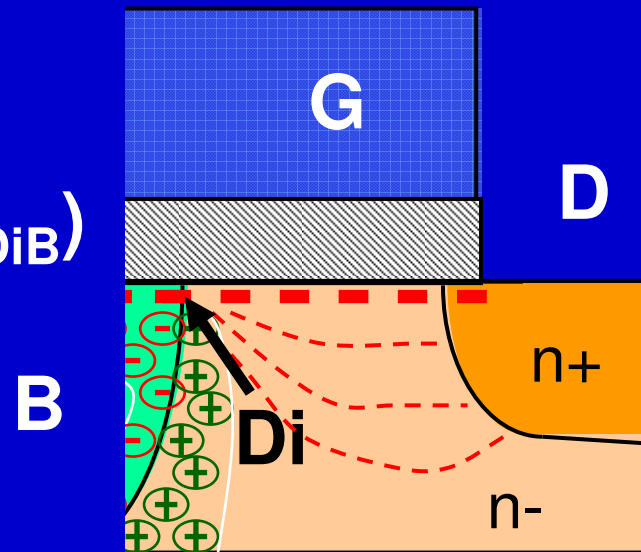
$$I_{\text{ch}} = I_{\text{ch}} (V_{\text{DiS}}, V_{\text{GS}}, V_{\text{SB}})$$

- strong inversion
- mobility reduction due to vertical field
- velocity saturation

# MOS Model 20: DC-model

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$$I_{dr} = I_{dr}(V_{GD_i}, V_{GD}, V_{DiB})$$

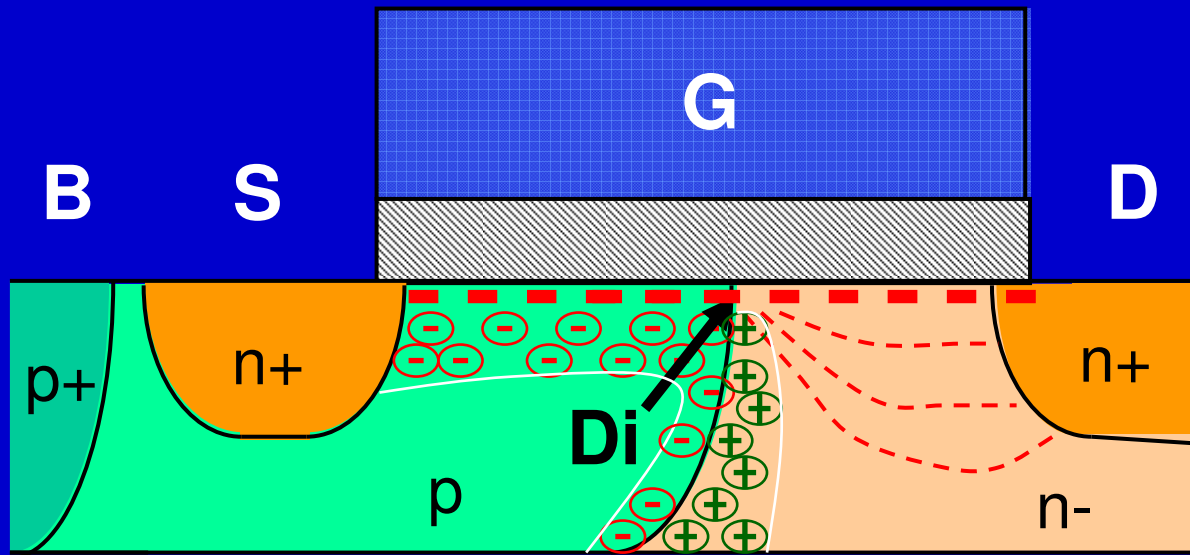


- accumulation
- depletion
- bulk current
- mobility reduction due to vertical field



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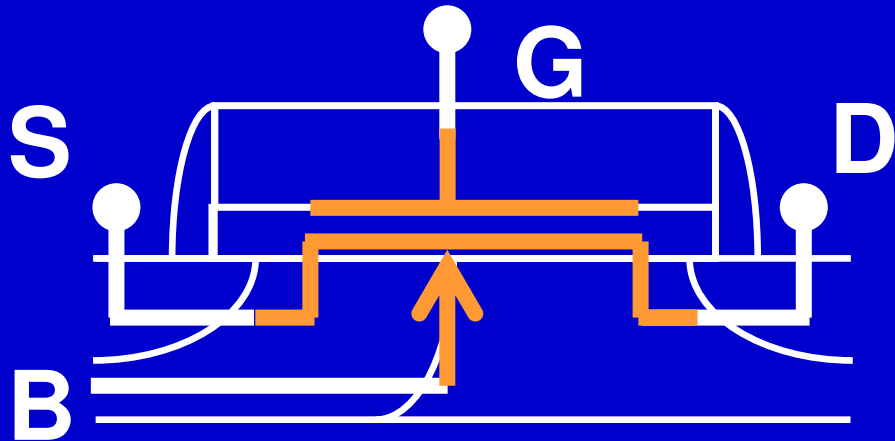


internal node  $D_i$  expressed analytically from

$$I_{ch}(V_{DiS}, V_{GS}, V_{SB}) = I_{dr}(V_{DiS}, V_{DS}, V_{GS}, V_{SB})$$

# MOS Model 20: DC-model

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**surface-potential based**

$$I_{DS} = I_{ch}(\psi_{sL}, \psi_{s0})$$

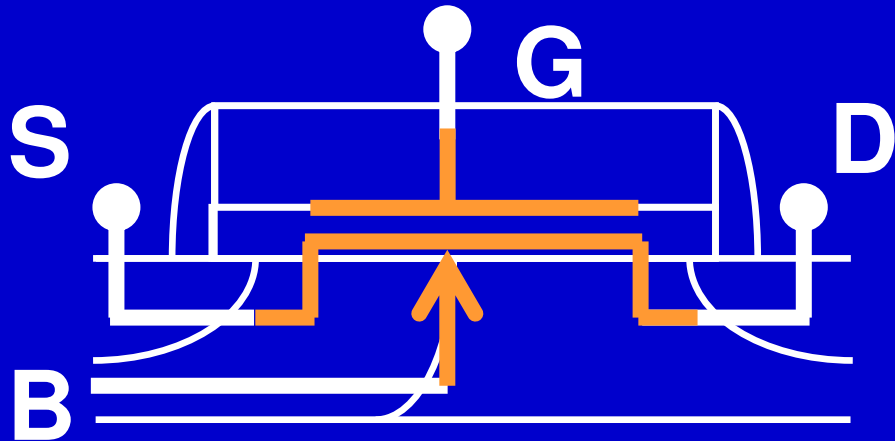
$$\psi_{s0} = \psi_{s0}(V_{SB}, V_{GB})$$

$$\psi_{sL} = \psi_{sL}(V_{DiB}, V_{GB})$$

- **weak and strong inversion**
- **saturation in channel region**
- **accumulation and bulk current in drift region**
- **mobility reduction**
- **DIBL and static feedback**
- **weak avalanche**

# MOS Model 20: DC-model

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- **21 dc-parameters**
- **temperature scaling (6 parameters)**
- **self-heating**
- **width-scaling**
- **length scaling**

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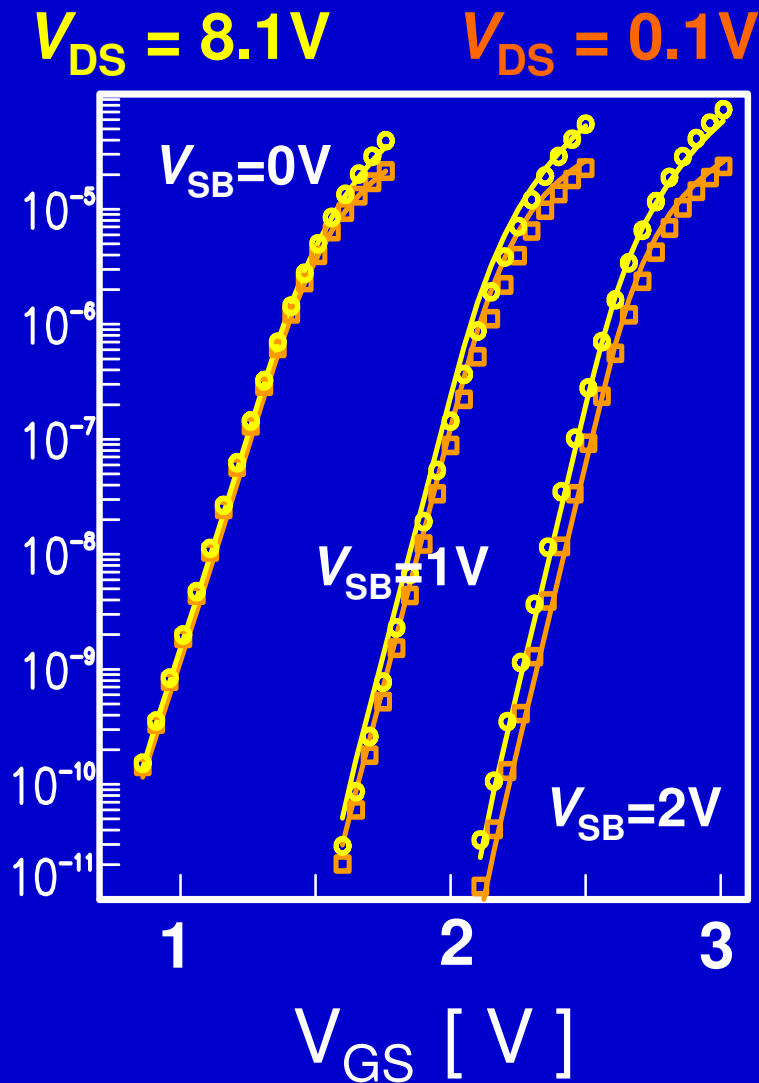
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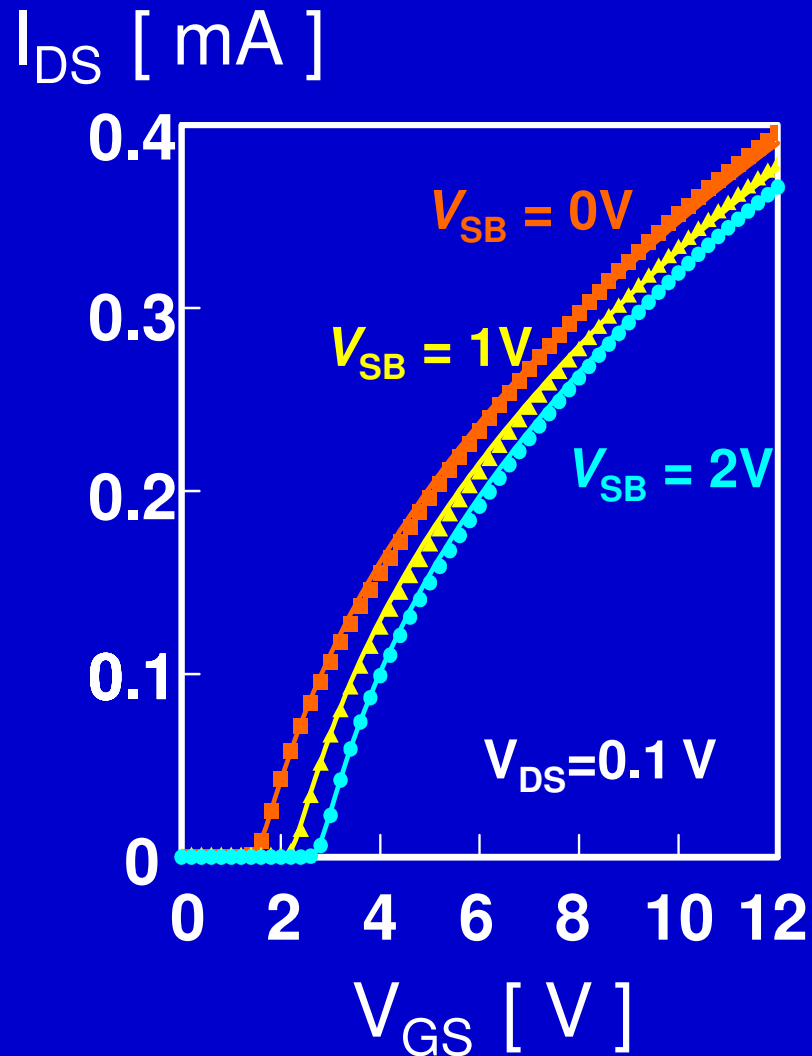
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$I_{DS}$  [ mA ]



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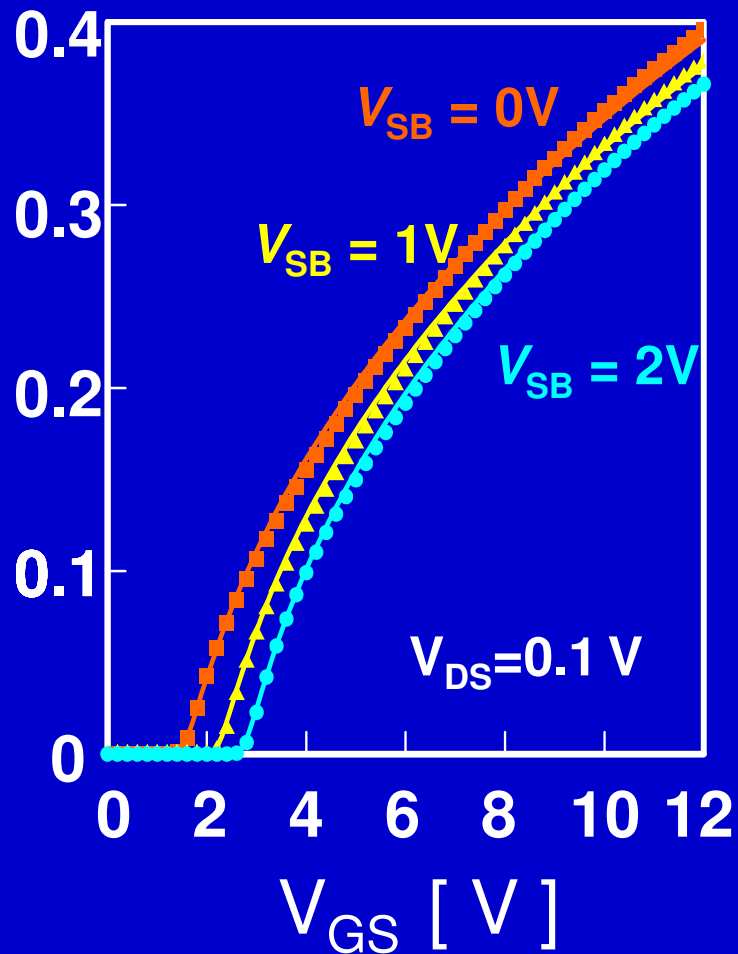
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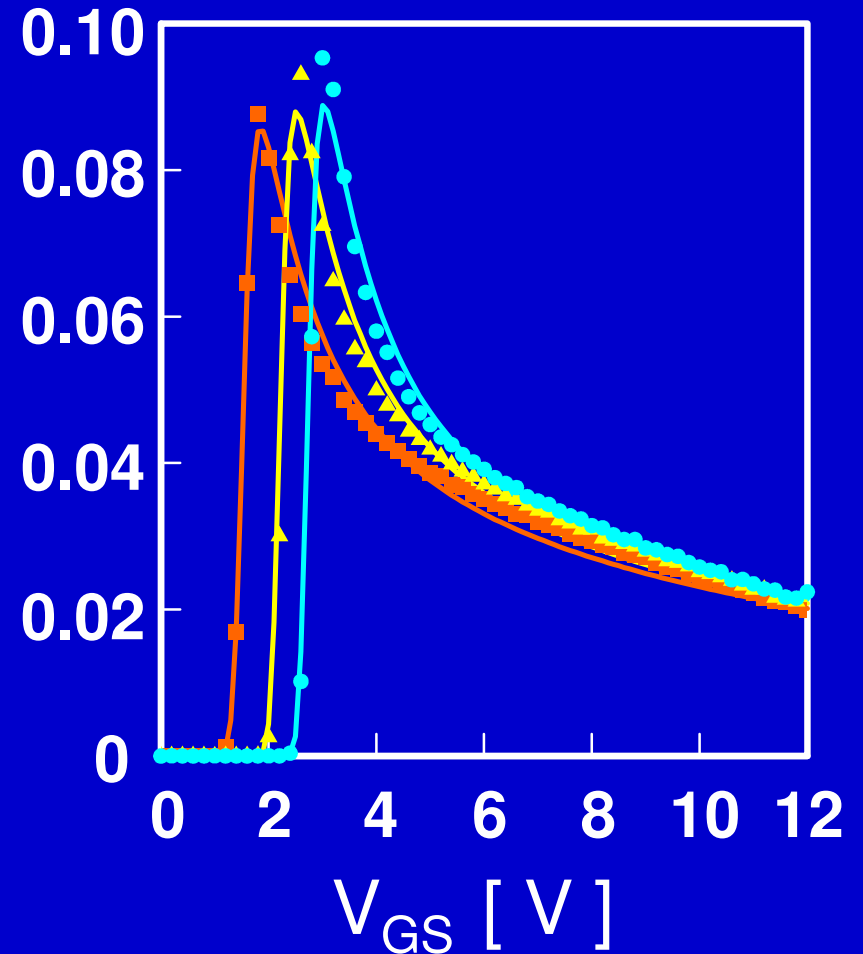
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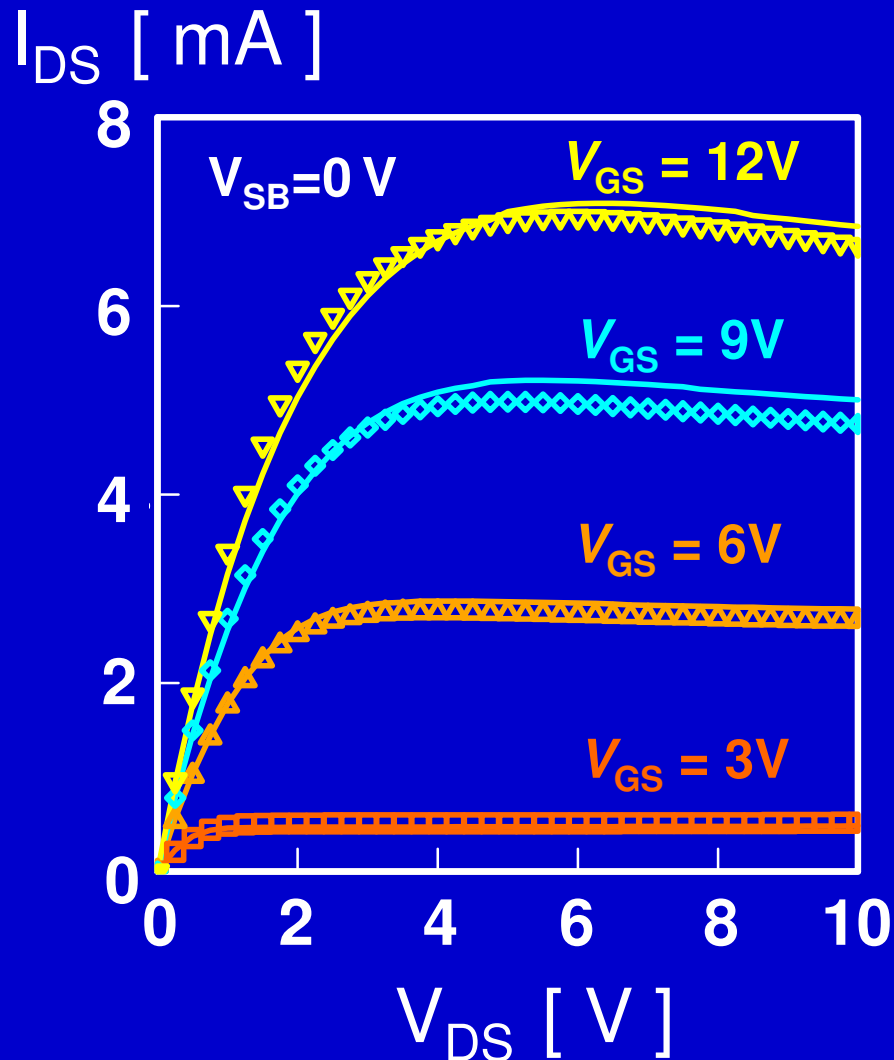


$g_m$  [ mA/V ]



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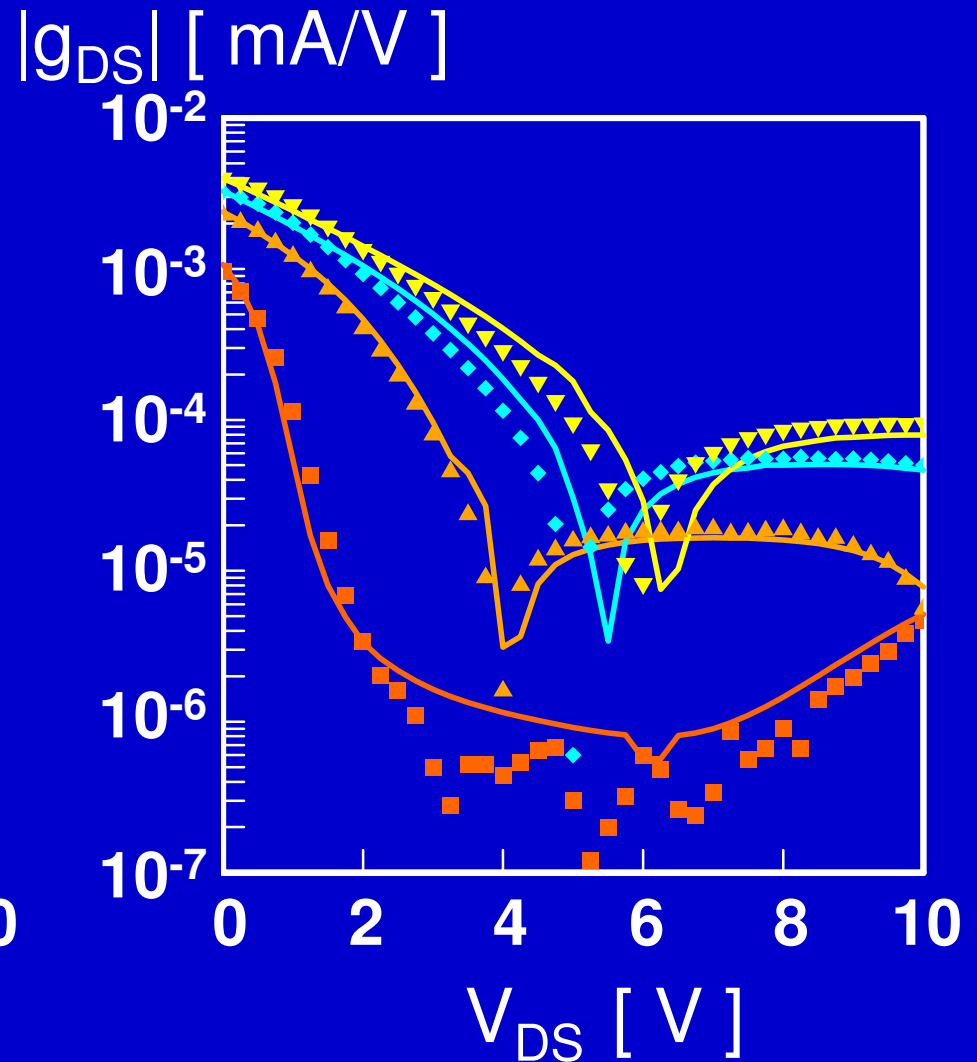
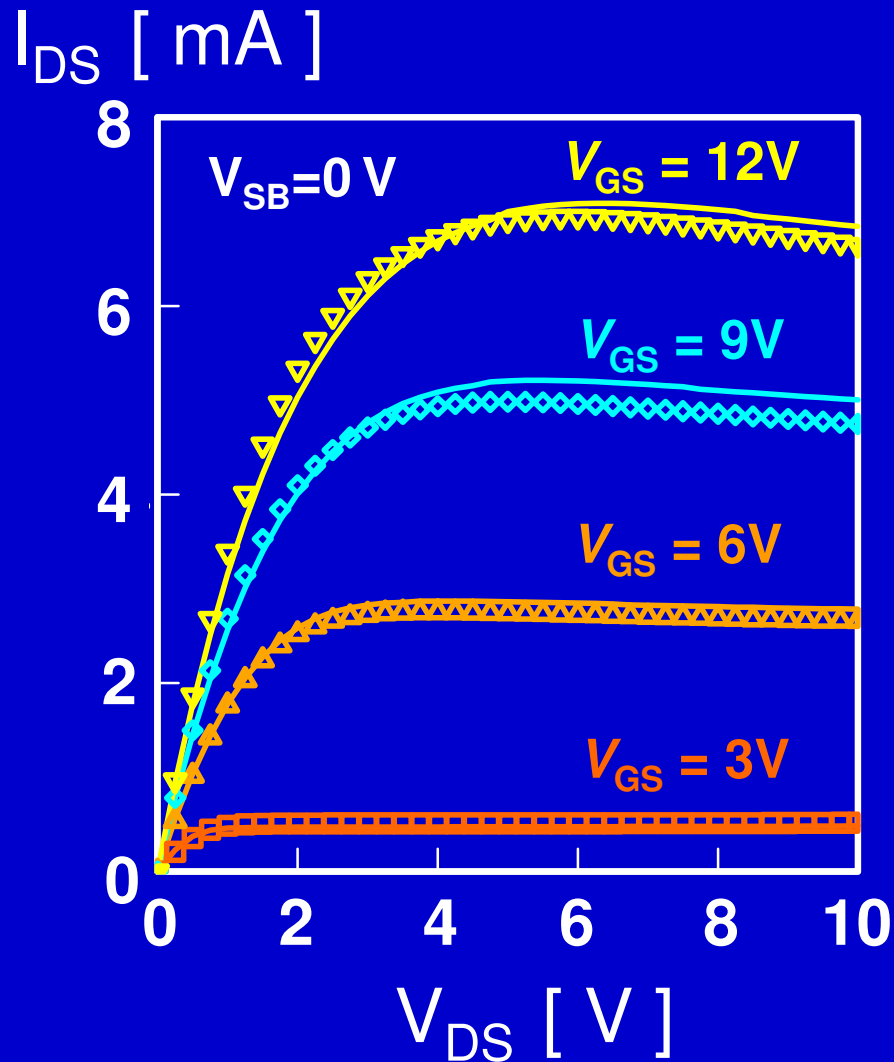
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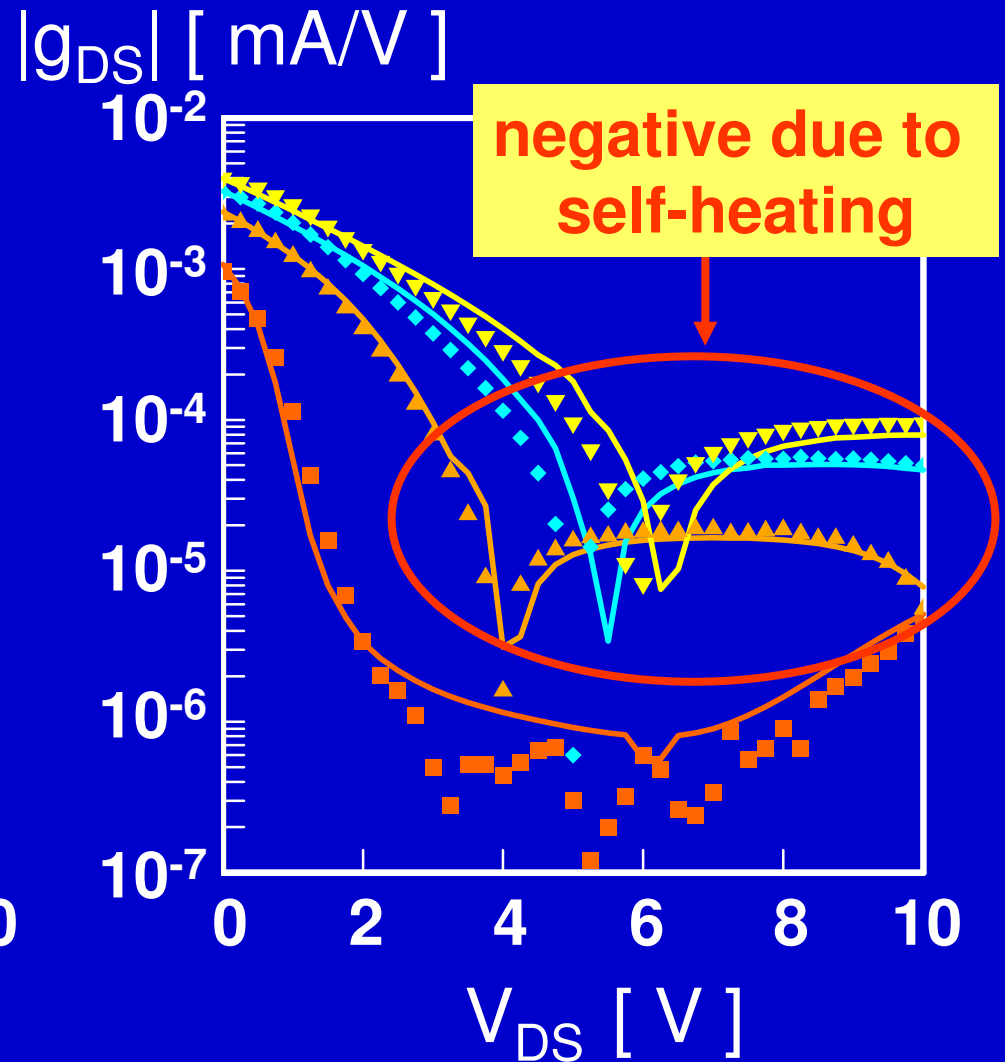
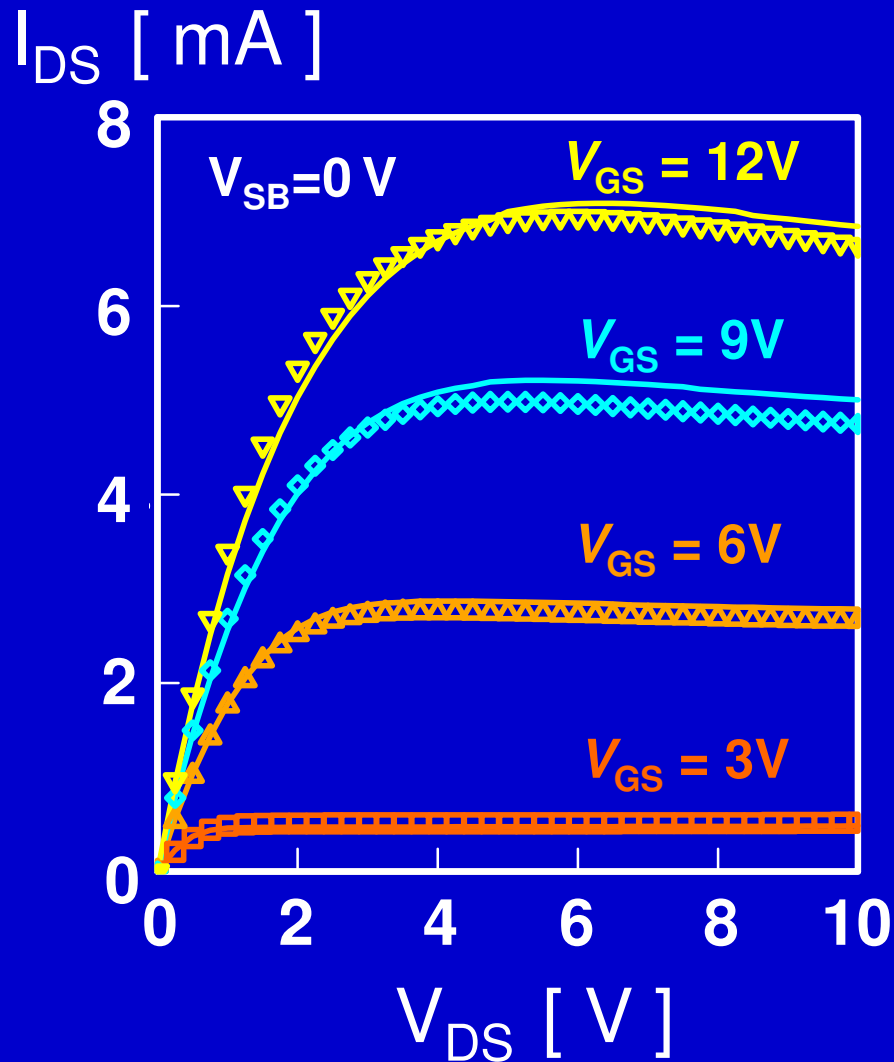
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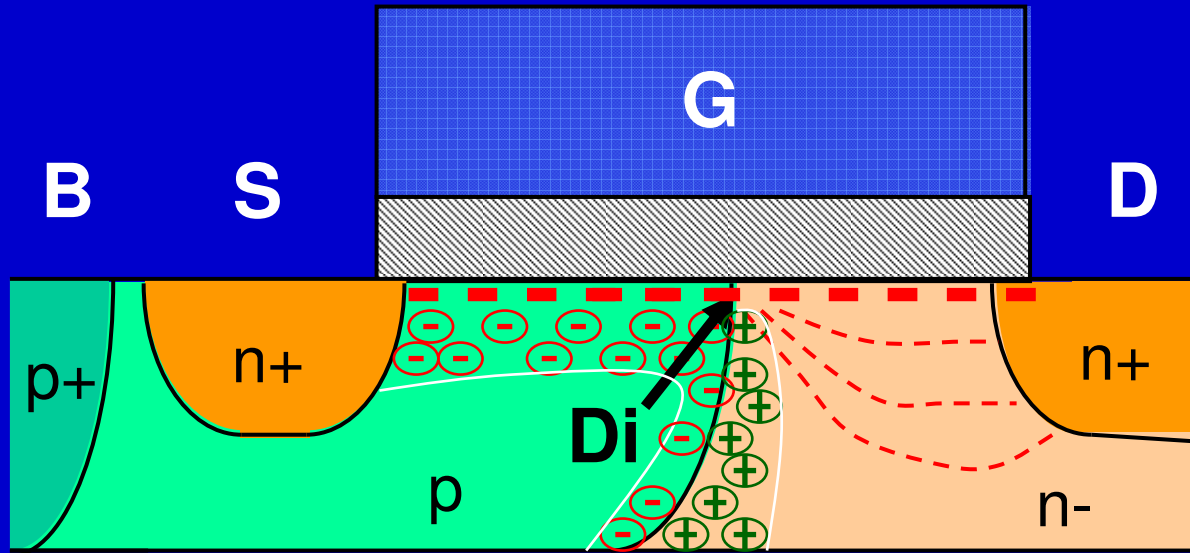
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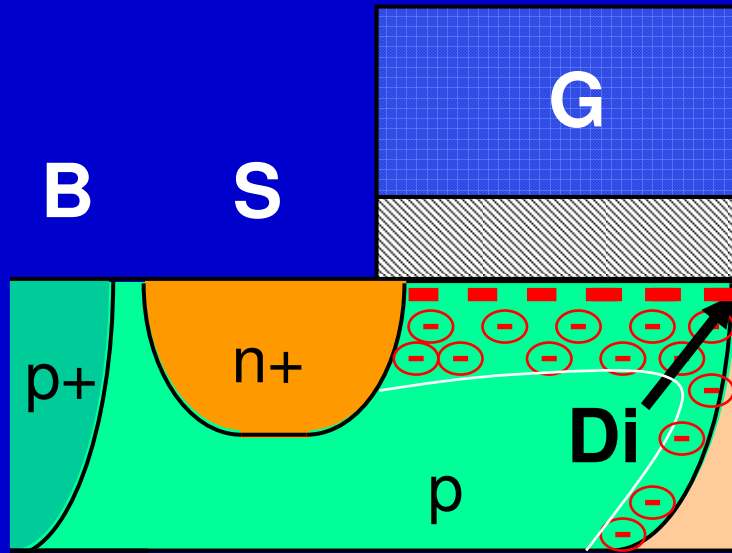
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# MOS Model 20: gate and bulk charges

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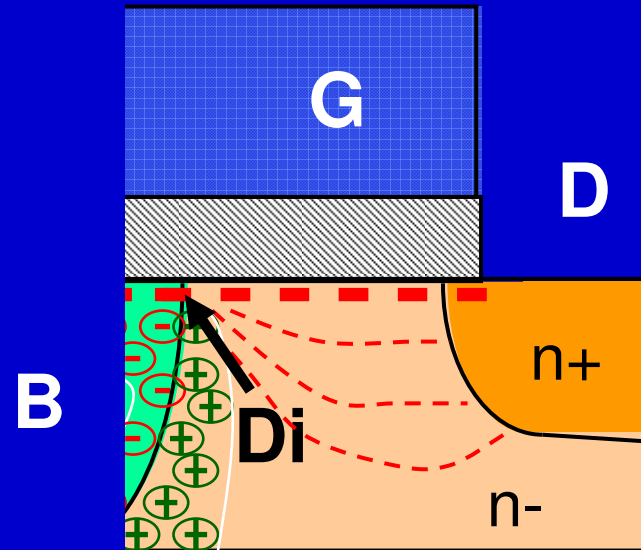


$$Q_{G, \text{channel}} = -W \int_0^L (Q'_{\text{inv}} + Q'_{\text{dep}} + Q'_{\text{acc}}) \cdot dx$$

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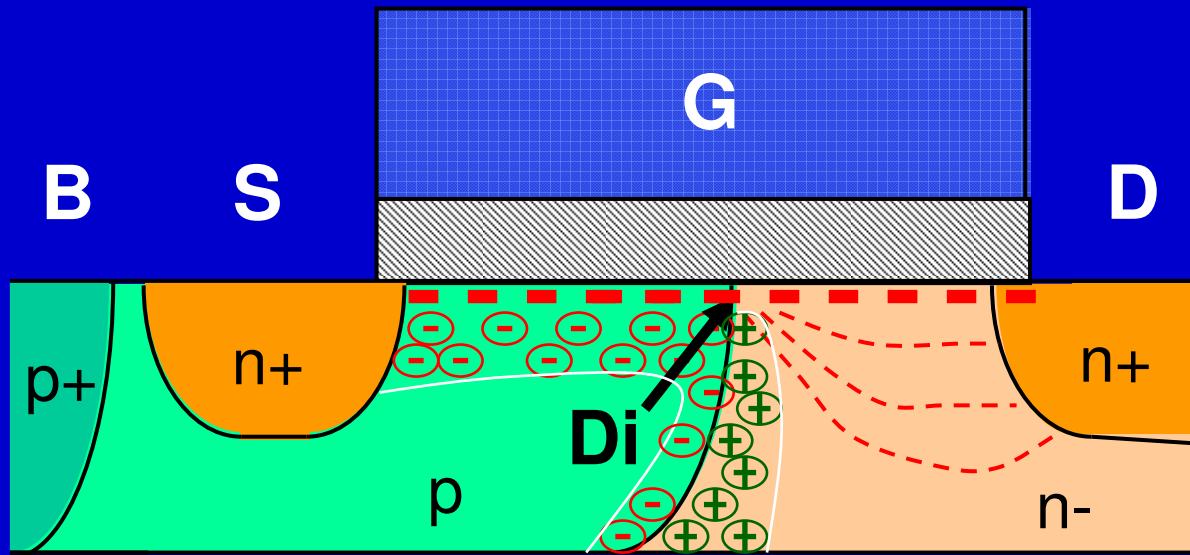


$$Q_{G, \text{ drift region}} = -W \int_0^{L_{\text{dr}}} (Q'_{\text{inv}} + Q'_{\text{dep}} + Q'_{\text{acc}}) \cdot dx$$

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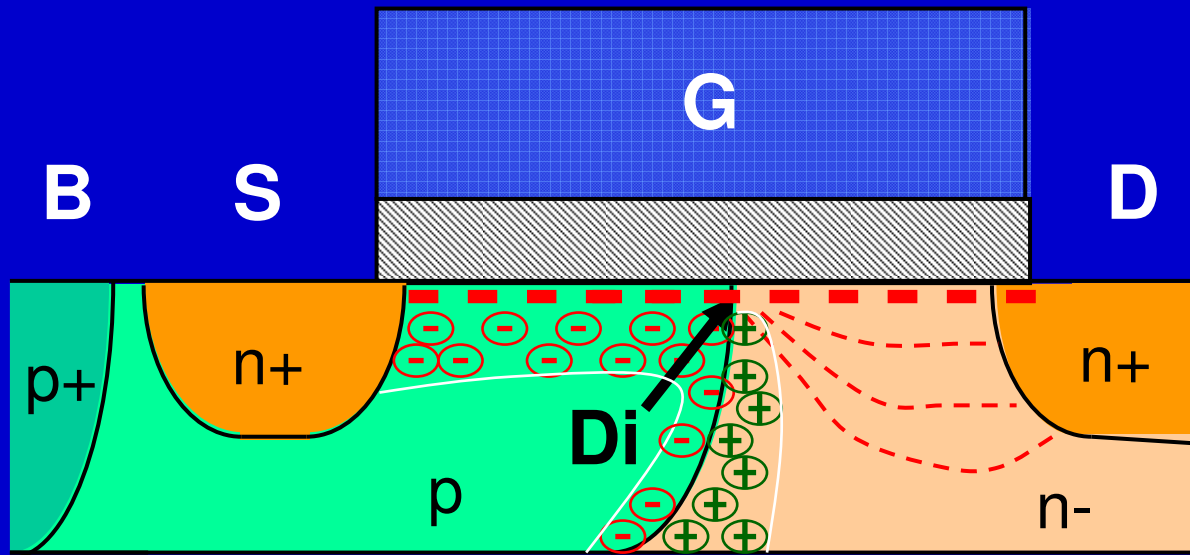
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$$Q_{G, \text{LDMOS}} = Q_{G, \text{channel}} + Q_{G, \text{drift region}}$$

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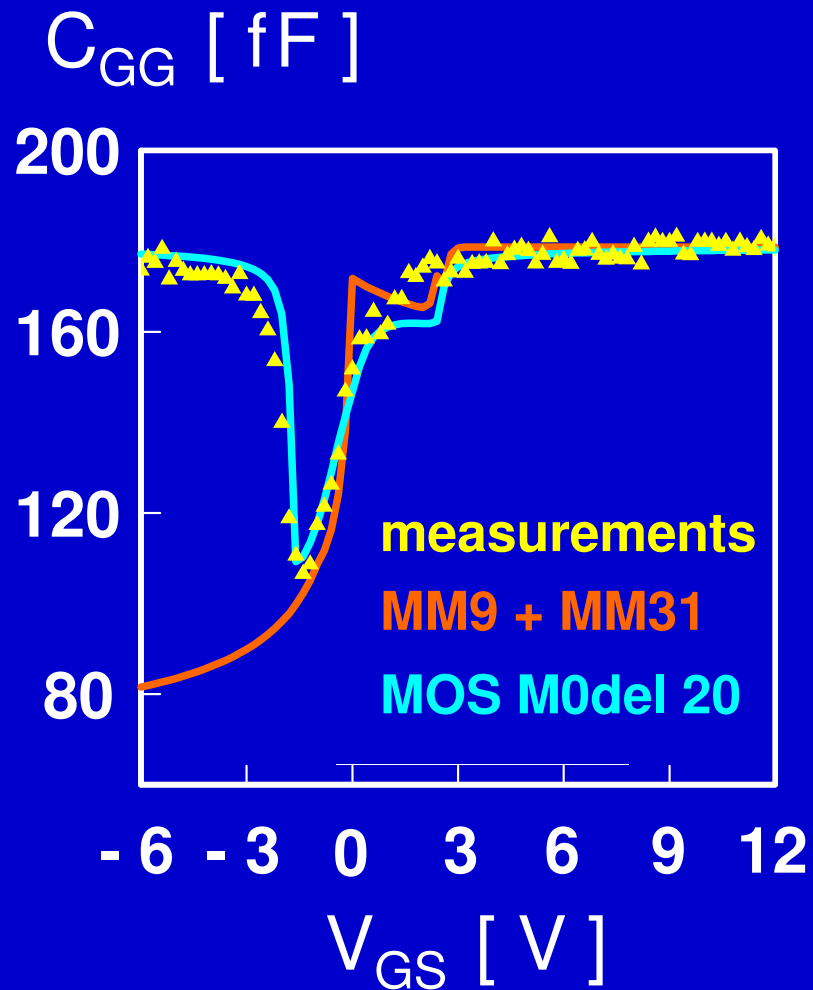
$$C_{ij} = (2 \cdot \delta_{ij} - 1) \cdot \frac{\partial Q_i}{\partial V_j}$$

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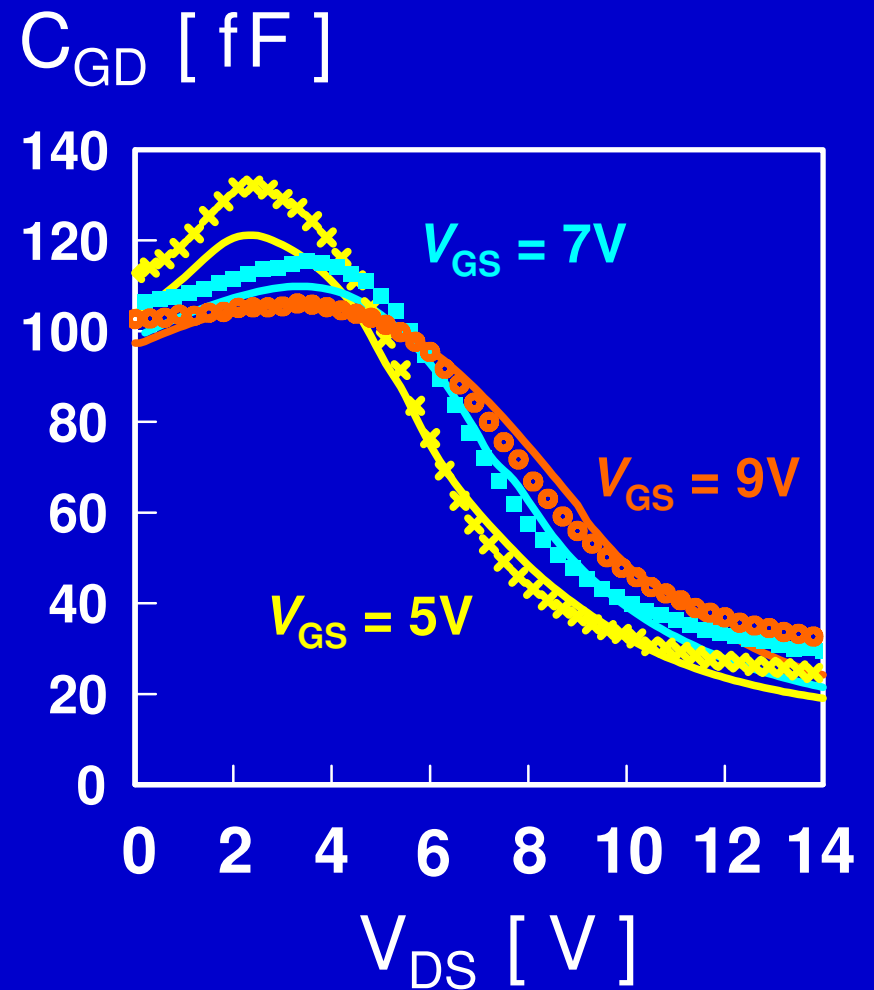
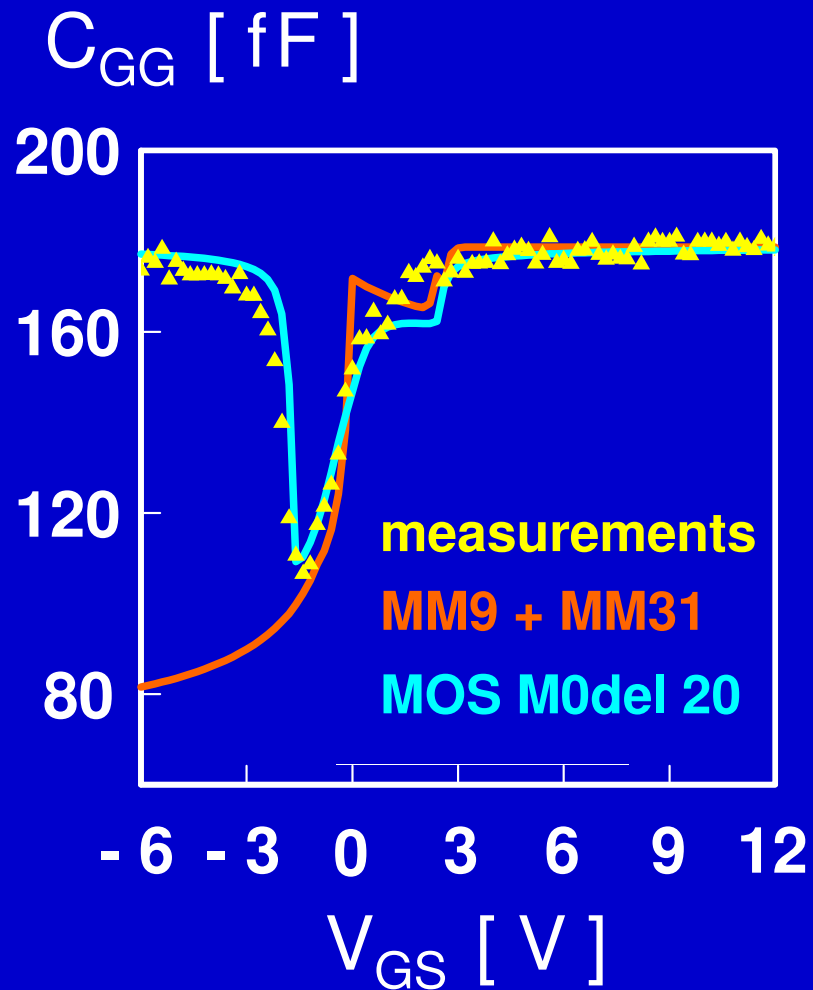
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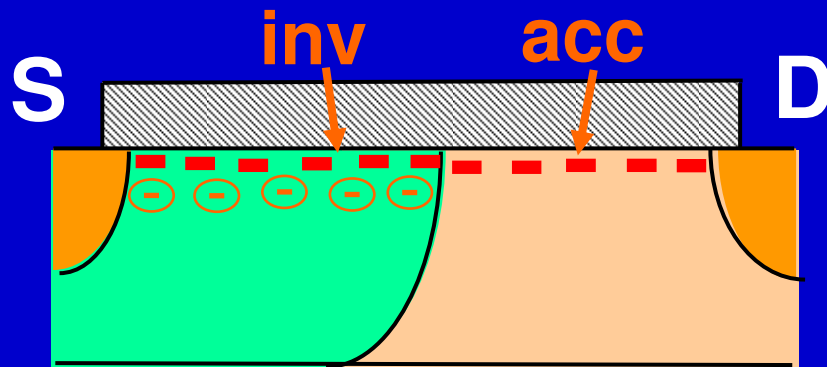


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channel region in  
strong inversion

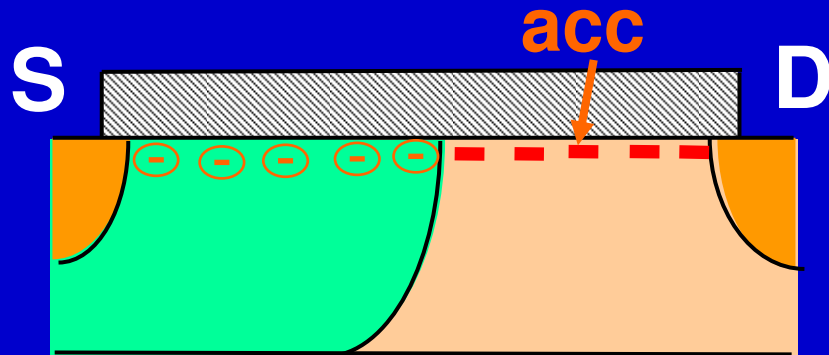
Ward-Dutton (uniform MOSFET)

$$Q_{D, \text{LDMOS}} = W \int_0^L \frac{x}{L + L_{\text{dr}}} Q'_{\text{inv}} dx + W \int_L^{L+L_{\text{dr}}} \frac{x}{L + L_{\text{dr}}} Q'_{\text{acc}} dx$$

$$Q_{S, \text{LDMOS}} = W \int_0^L \frac{L + L_{\text{dr}} - x}{L + L_{\text{dr}}} Q'_{\text{inv}} dx + W \int_L^{L+L_{\text{dr}}} \frac{L + L_{\text{dr}} - x}{L + L_{\text{dr}}} Q'_{\text{acc}} dx$$

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all charge in the drift region attributed to the drain

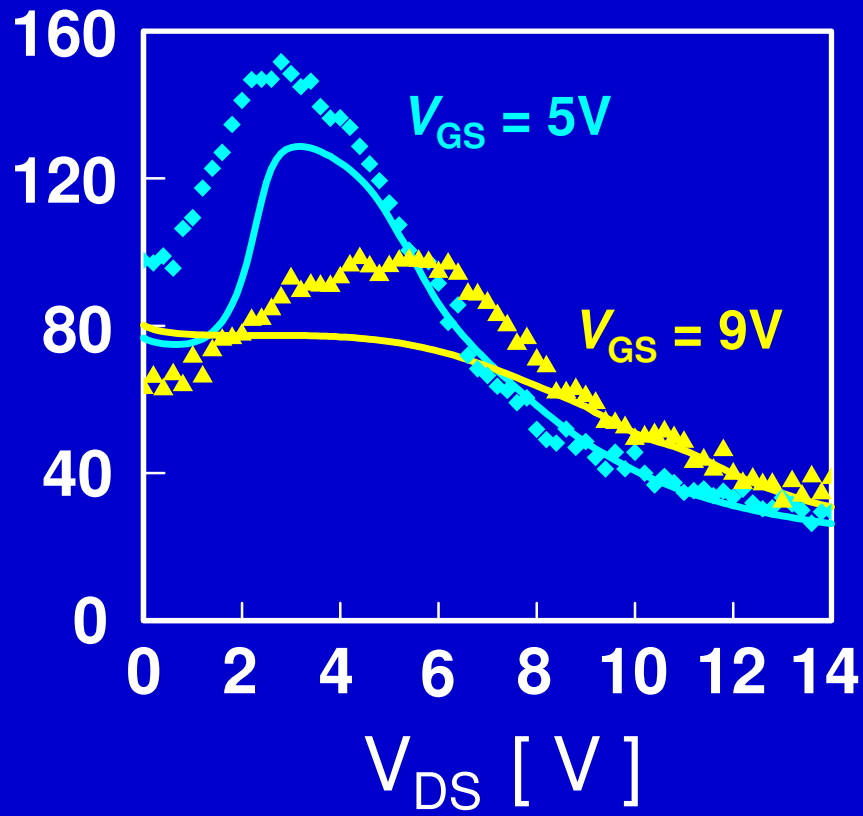
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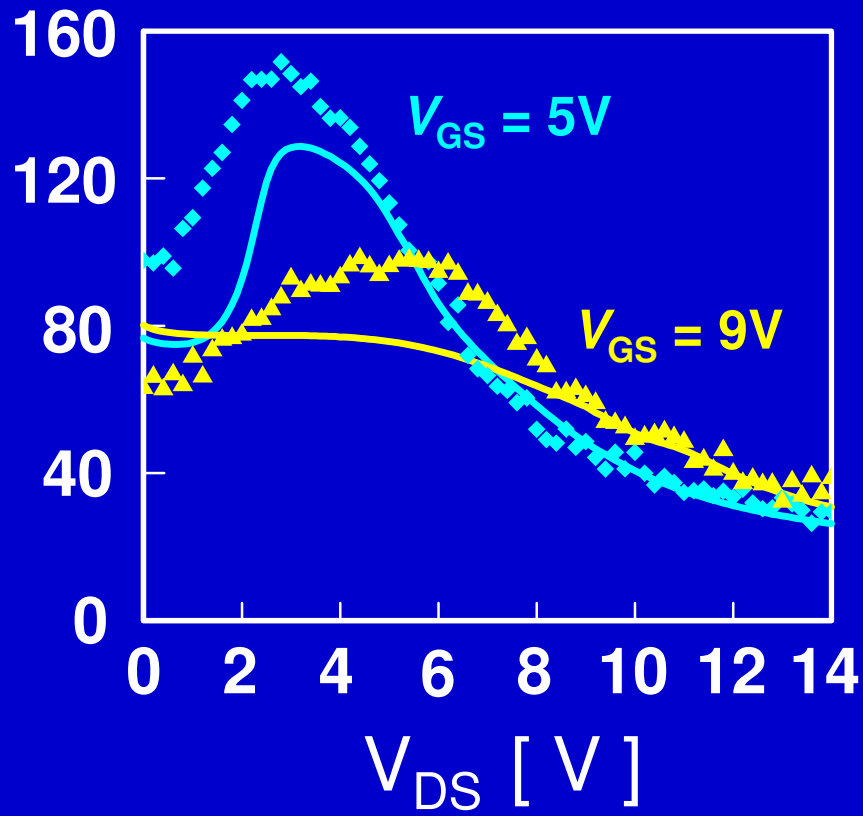
$C_{DD}$  [fF]



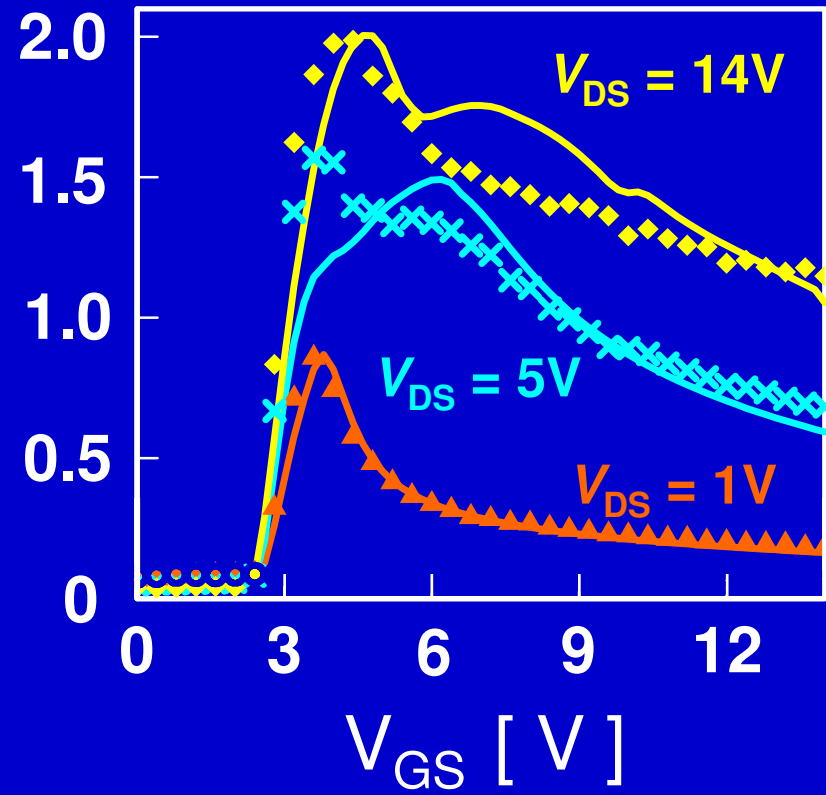
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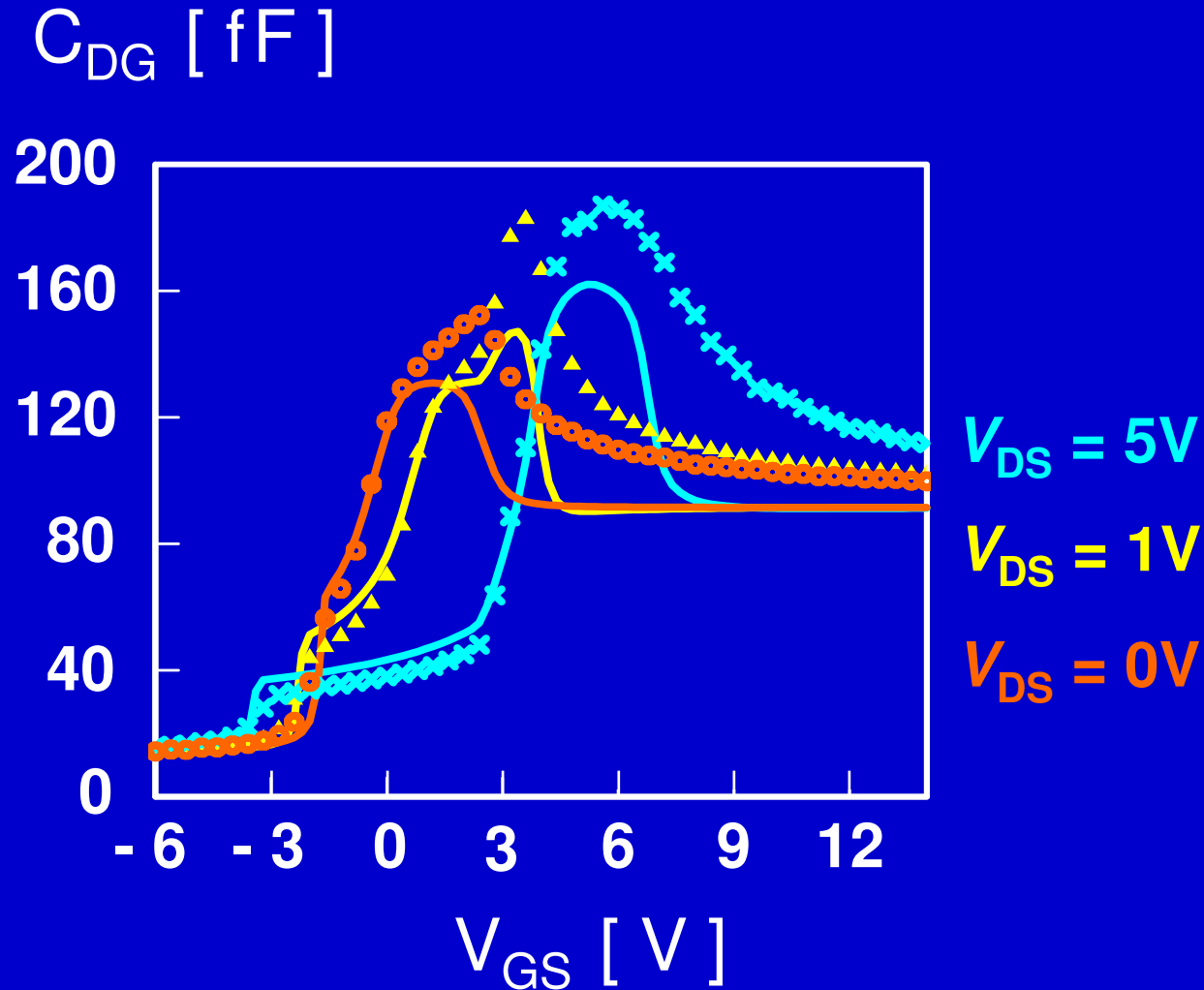


$f_T$  [GHz]



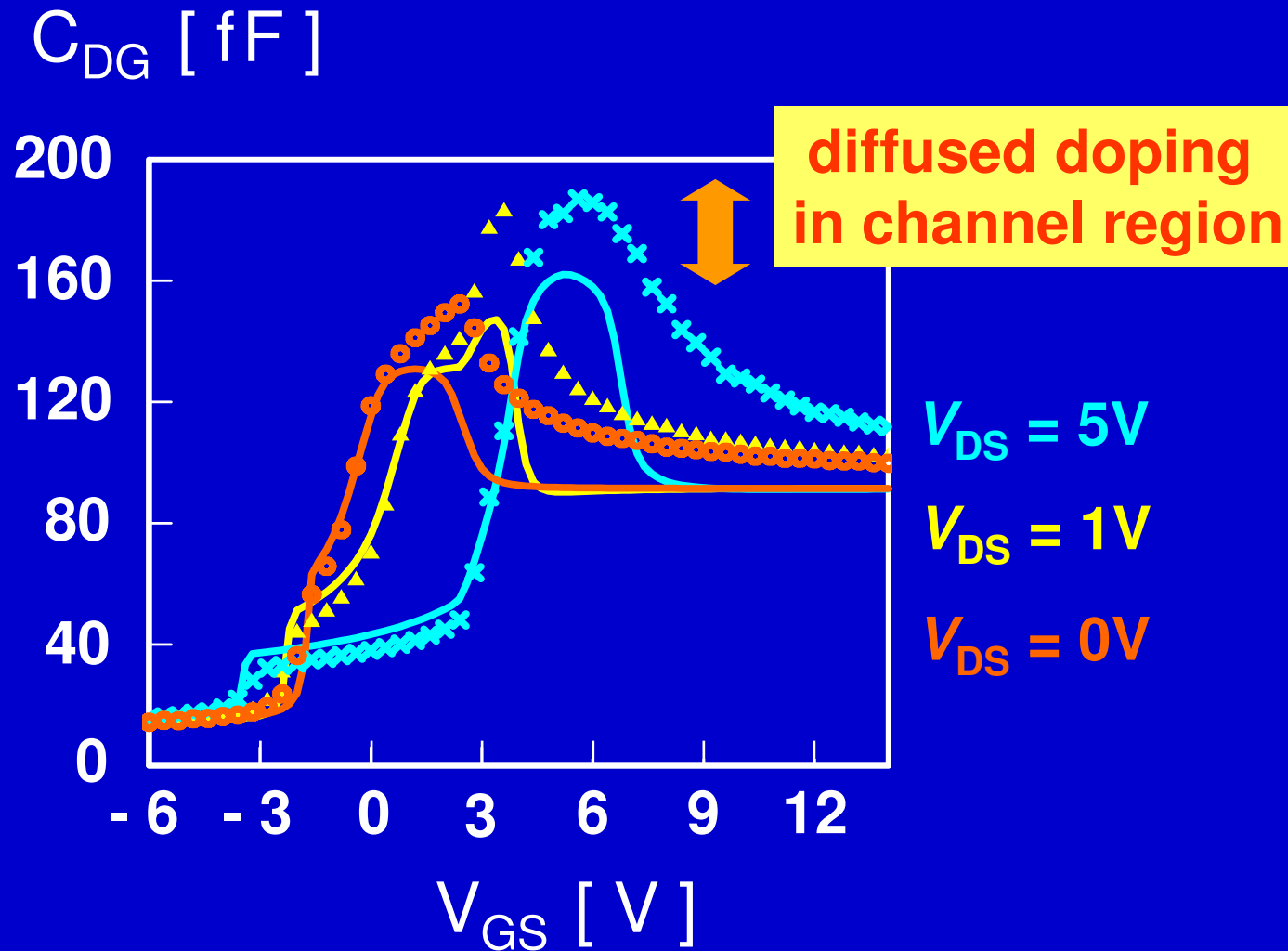
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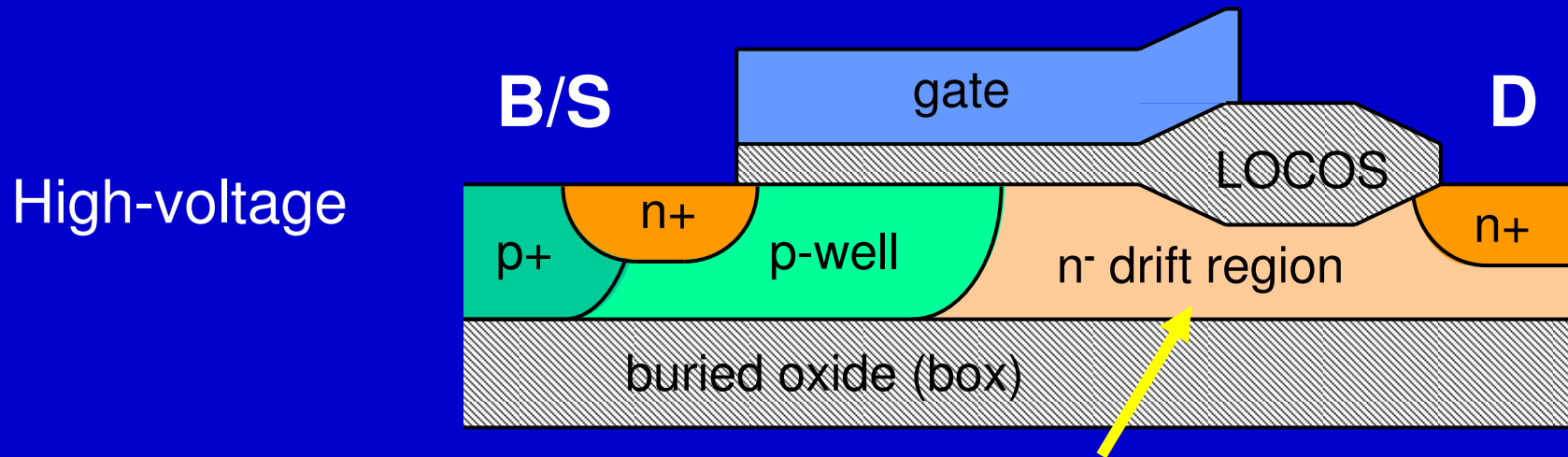
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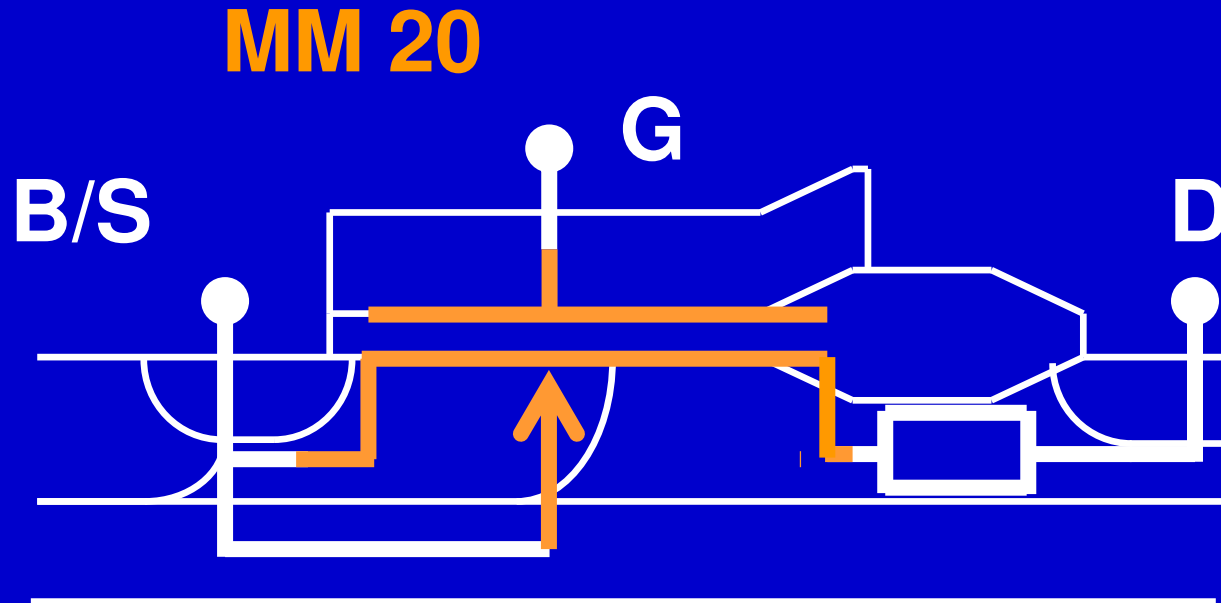
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*saturation may occur in drift region*

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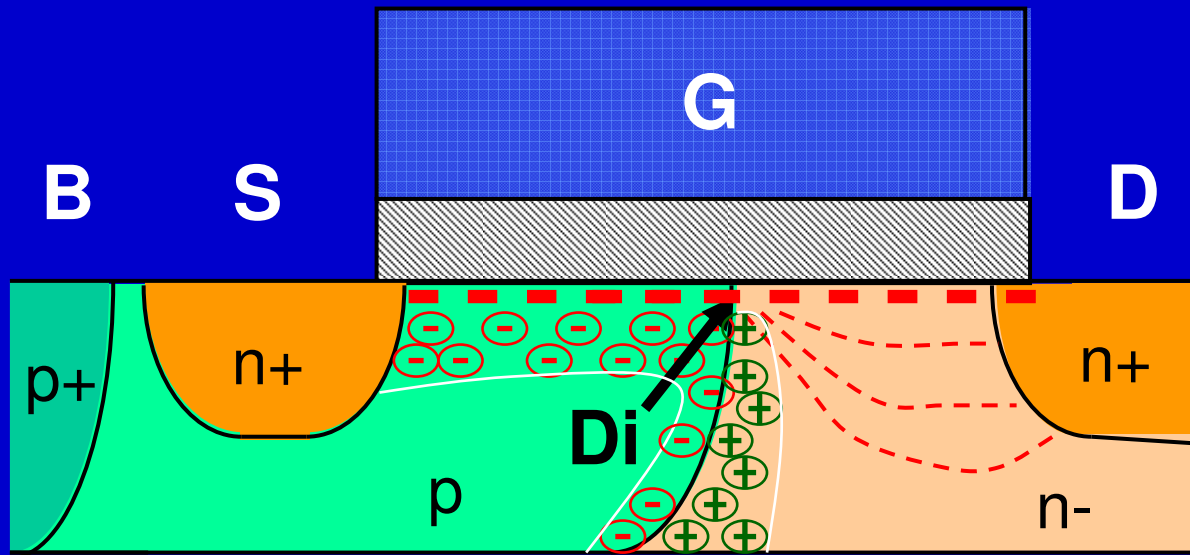
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**new MM 20: includes quasi-saturation**

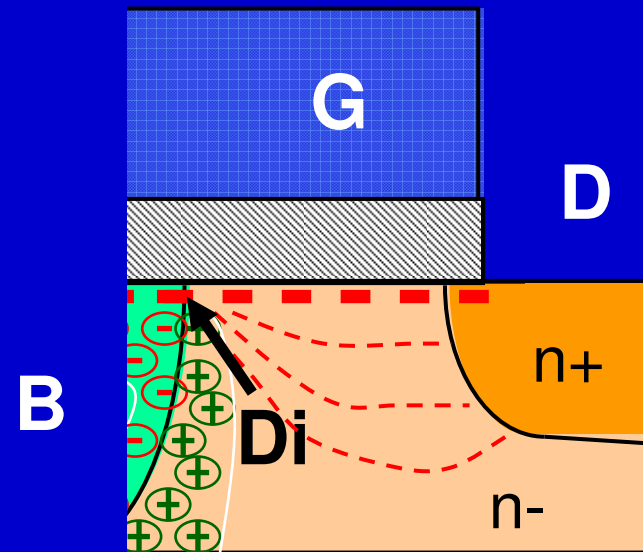
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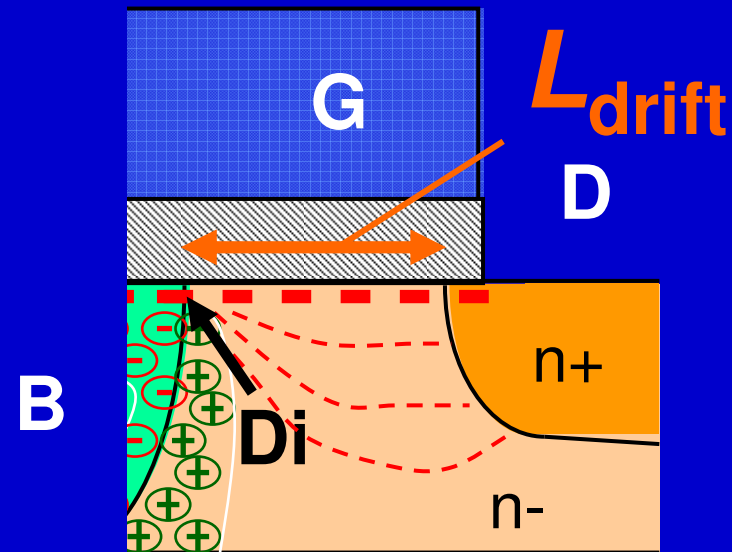
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- accumulation
- bulk current
- mobility reduction due to vertical field
- depletion
- velocity saturation

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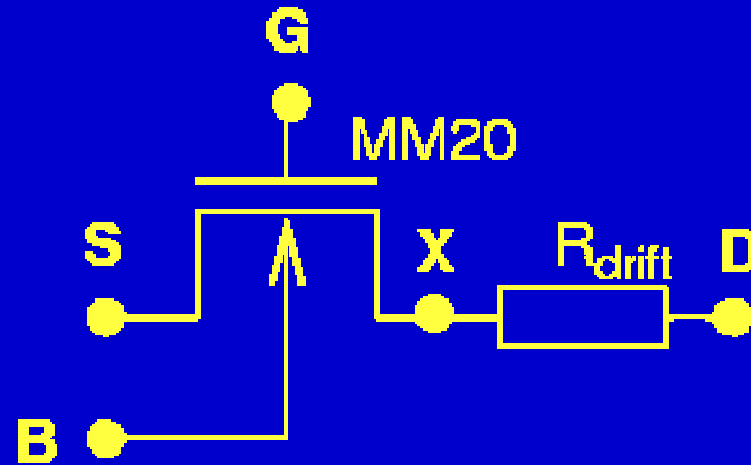


$$\mu^{\text{drift}} = \frac{\mu_{\text{eff}}}{1 + \theta_3^{\text{drift}} \cdot V_{\text{DDi,eff}}}$$

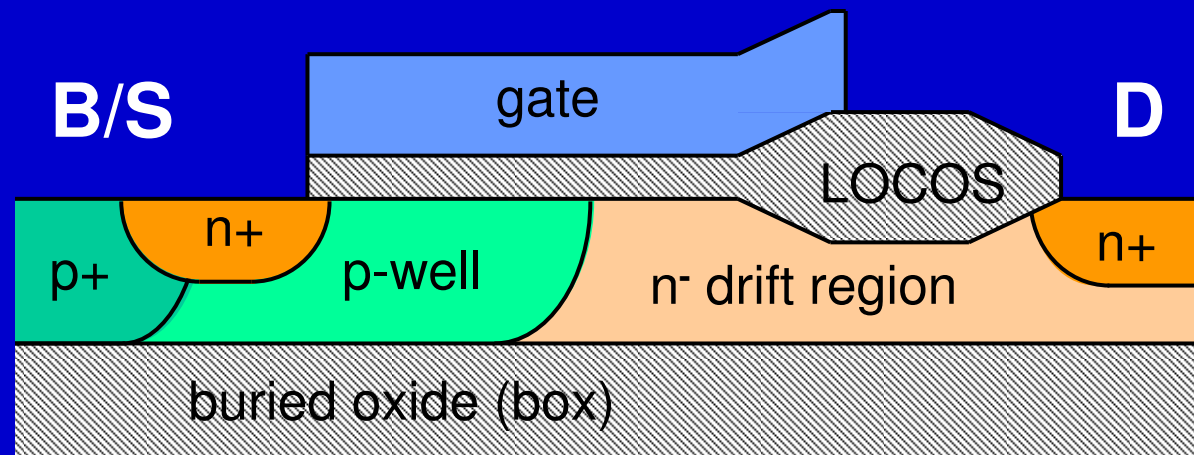
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sub-circuit

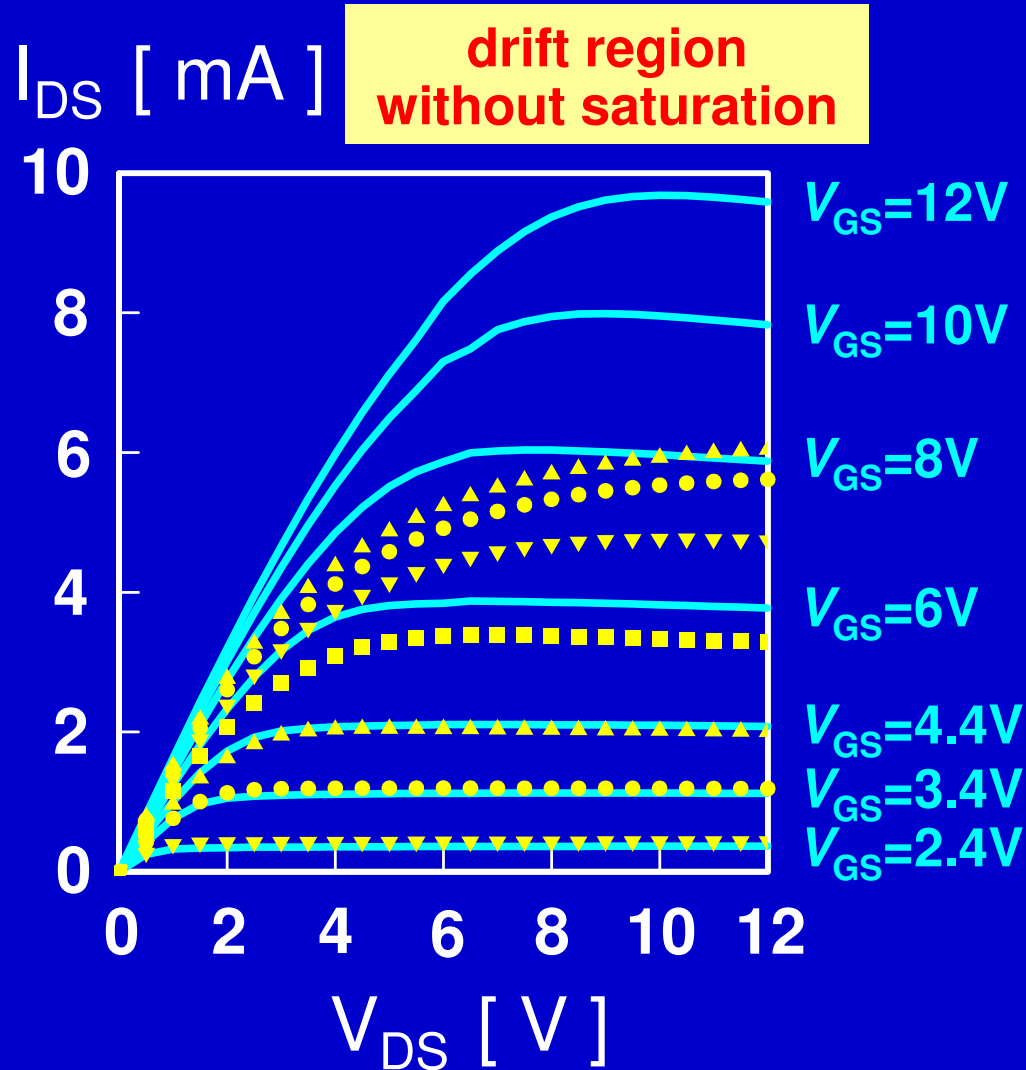


High-voltage



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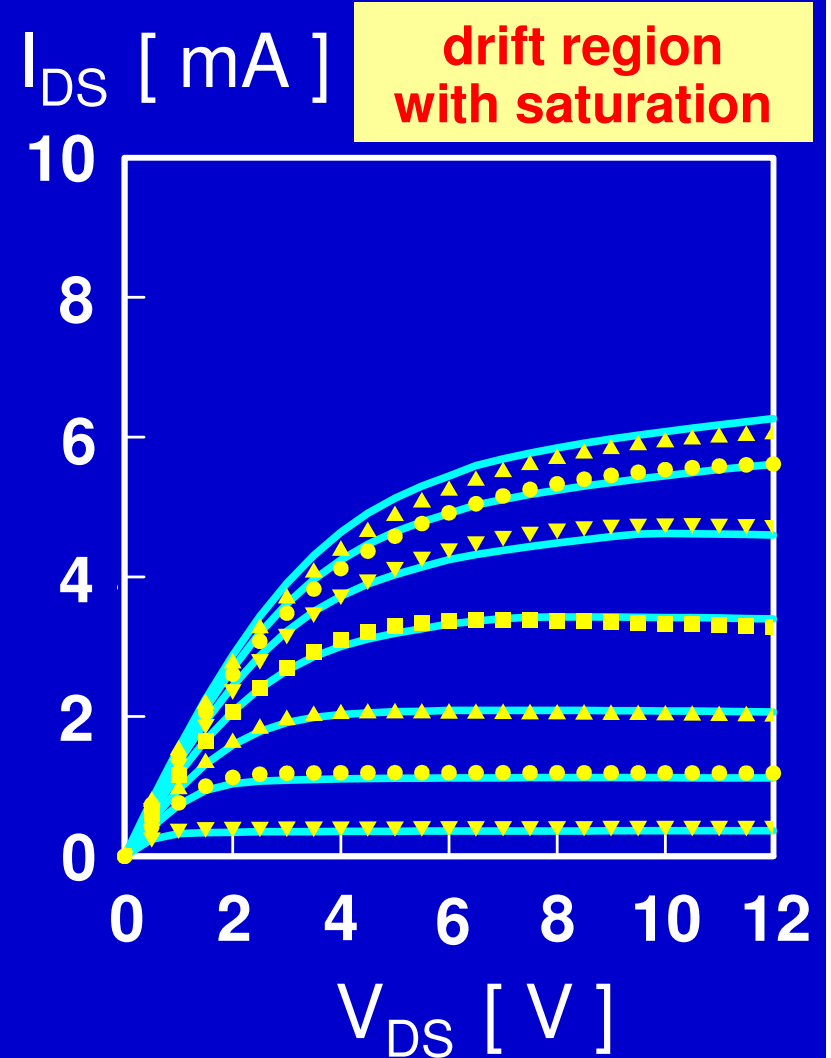
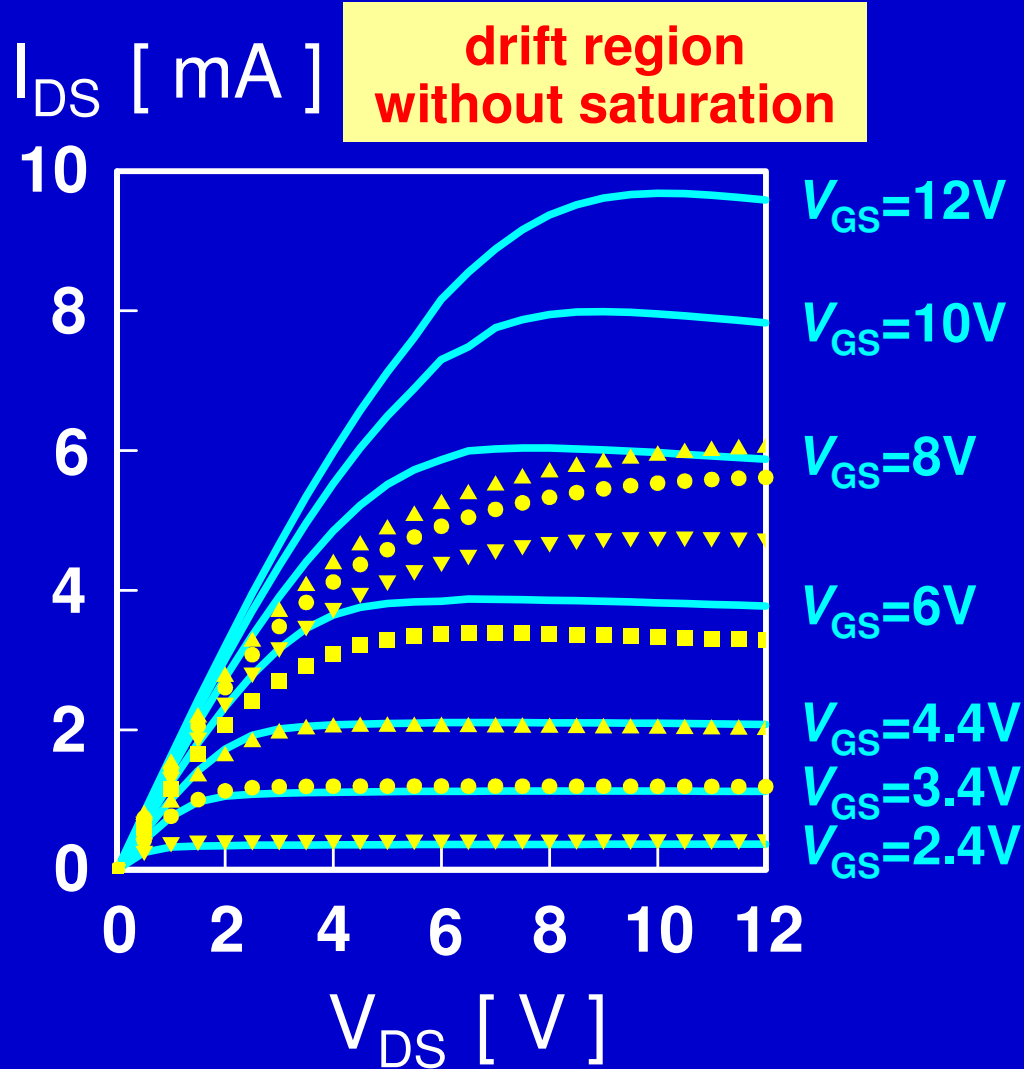
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## MOS Model 20

- single model
- for low-voltage ( $< 30$  V) LDMOS
- extension to medium-voltage ( $< 100$ V) LDMOS  
by inclusion of quasi-saturation
- includes dc-, charge- and noise model
- accurate description of dc- and ac-currents
- improvement in simulation speed compared  
to sub-circuit model

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