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# MOS Transistor Mismatch in a 0.35 $\mu$ m HV-Process

*Test Structures and Parameter Extraction*

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# INTRO / MOTIVATION

What: Mismatch, HV-MOS

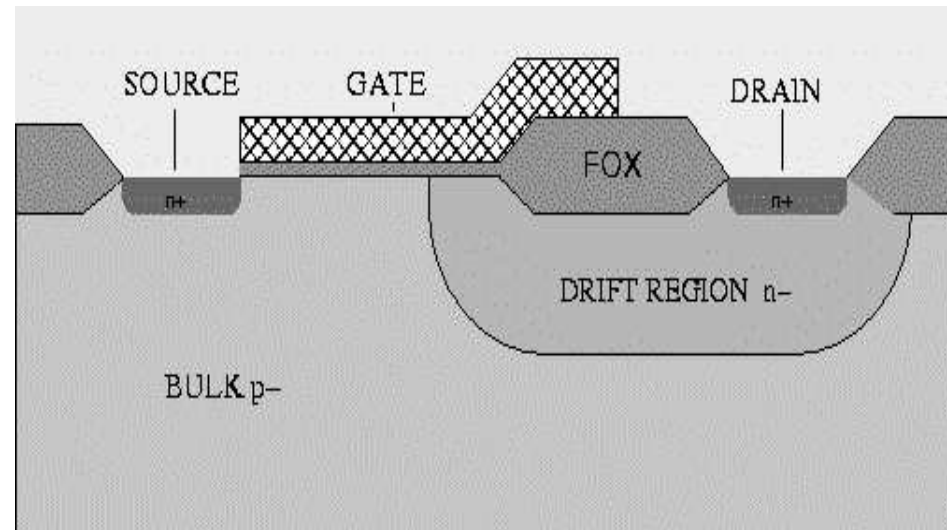
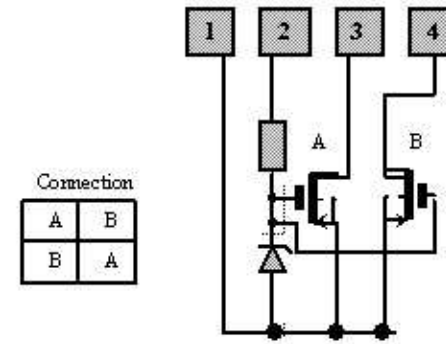
Why: structures of HV-MOSFET,  
different effects (RON)

Needed: Short and long distance  
mismatch characterisation

Goal:

Parameters for

Simulator Implementation



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# Drain current mismatch

Relative Drain current

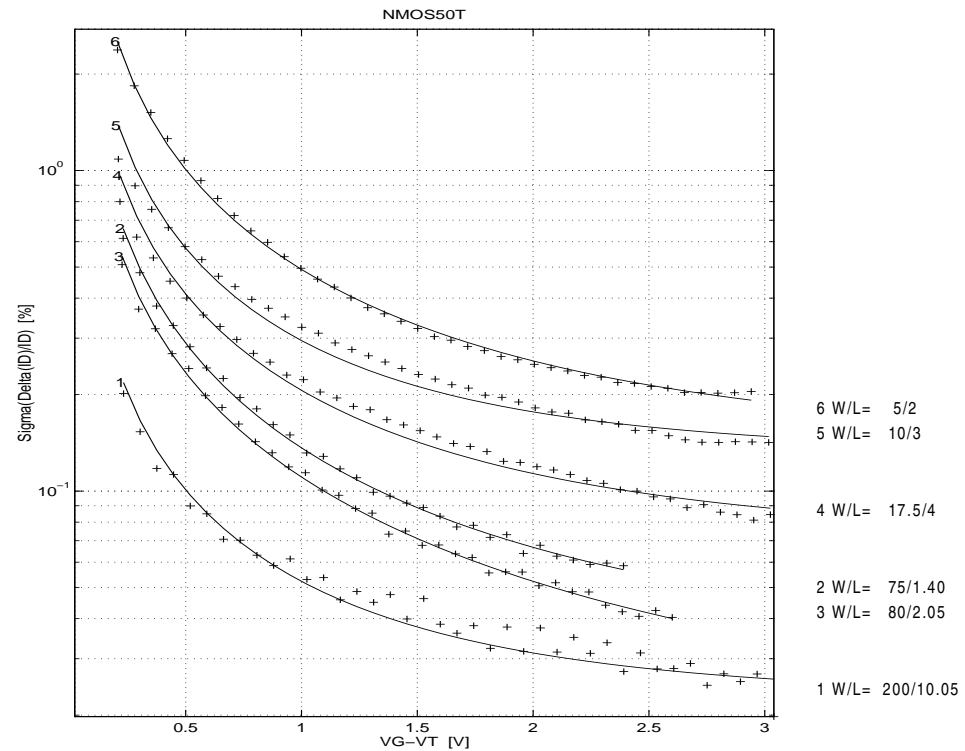
mismatch:

$$\frac{\Delta ID}{ID} = \frac{2 \cdot (ID_1 - ID_2)}{(ID_1 + ID_2)}$$

Variance of Drain current

mismatch:

$$\sigma(\Delta ID / ID) = \sigma\left(\frac{2 \cdot (ID_1 - ID_2)}{(ID_1 + ID_2)}\right)$$

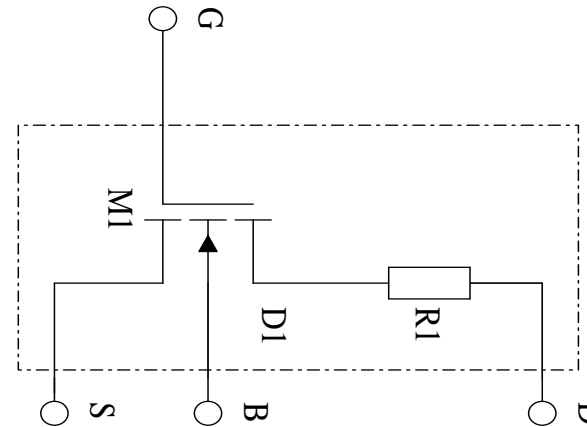


NMOS50T relative drain current mismatch vs.  $V_G - V_T$ , +... measurement, —... mismatch model

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# Mismatch Modeling

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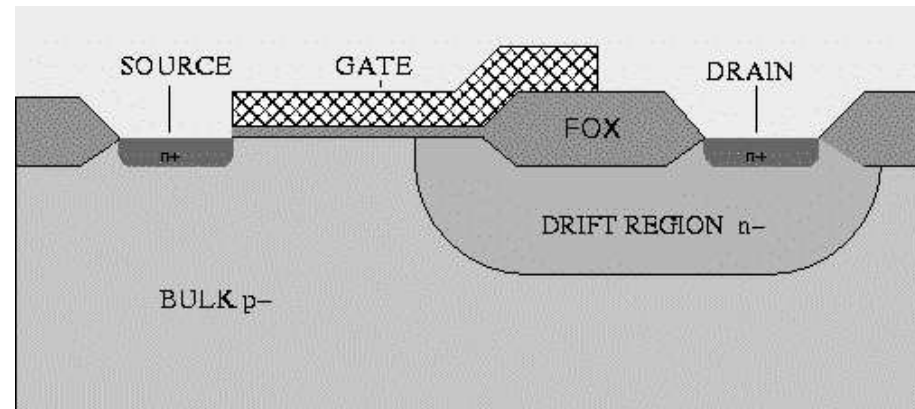


What is needed:

mobility

threshold

resistances (drift region)



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# Variance Model

Drain current:

$$I_D = f(P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n)$$

Variance Model:

Sensitivities  $S_{P_i}$

$$\frac{\Delta I_D}{I_D} = \frac{1}{I_D} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial P_1} \right) \Delta P_1 + \frac{1}{I_D} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial P_2} \right) \Delta P_2 + \dots + \frac{1}{I_D} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial P_n} \right) \Delta P_n + corr.$$

$$\sigma^2 \left( \frac{\Delta I_D}{I_D} \right) = S_{P_1}^2 \sigma^2(\Delta P_1) + S_{P_2}^2 \sigma^2(\Delta P_2) + \dots + S_{P_n}^2 \sigma^2(\Delta P_n) + corr$$

# Example

Example:

$V_T$   $\kappa$   $\theta$   $R_D$

threshold voltage

current gain factor

mobility reduction

drain resistance

drain current saturation region: .....Saturation region

$$I_D = \frac{W}{L} \frac{\kappa}{2} \frac{(V_G - V_T)^2}{1 + \theta(V_G - V_T)}$$

drain current linear region:

$$I_D = \frac{W}{L} \frac{\kappa(V_G - V_T) \cdot V_{DS}}{1 + (\theta + \alpha_r) \cdot (V_G - V_T)}, \quad \alpha_r = \frac{W}{L} \cdot \kappa \cdot R_D$$

# Example Sensitivities

Sensitivities linear region

$$\frac{\Delta I_D}{I_D} = - \left( \frac{1}{(V_G - V_T)(1 + (\theta + \alpha_r)(V_G - V_T))} \right) \Delta V_T - \left( \frac{V_G - V_T}{1 + (\theta + \alpha_r)(V_G - V_T)} \right) \Delta \theta$$

Sensitivities

$$+ \left( \frac{1 + \theta(V_G - V_T)}{\kappa(1 + (\theta + \alpha_r)(V_G - V_T))} \right) \Delta \kappa - \left( \frac{W}{L} \frac{\kappa(V_G - V_T)}{1 + (\theta + \alpha_r)(V_G - V_T)} \right) \Delta R_D$$

$$-\frac{I_D}{V_{DS}}$$

Sensitivities saturation region

$$\frac{\Delta I_D}{I_D} = - \left( \frac{2 + \theta(V_G - V_T)}{(V_G - V_T)(1 + \theta(V_G - V_T))} \right) \Delta V_T + \frac{1}{\kappa} \Delta \kappa - \left( \frac{V_G - V_T}{1 + \theta(V_G - V_T)} \right) \Delta \theta$$

Sensitivities

# Strategy saturation region

*m: number of matched pairs,  $n = 2m$ : number of measured curves*

1) *Extract transistor parameters  $V_{T_i}$ ,  $\kappa_i$  and  $\theta_i$  ( $i = 1 \dots n$ ) from measured curves of  $ID$  vs.  $V_G$  and  $V_D \gg V_G - V_T$ .*

2) *Calculate averaged parameters*

$$V_T = \frac{1}{n} \sum V_{T_i}, \kappa = \frac{1}{n} \sum \kappa_i, \theta = \frac{1}{n} \sum \theta_i$$

3) *Calculate*

$$S_{V_T}^2 = \left( -\frac{2 + \theta(V_G - V_T)}{(V_G - V_T)(1 + \theta(V_G - V_T))} \right)^2 \quad S_{\kappa}^2 = \frac{1}{\kappa^2} \quad S_{\theta}^2 = \left( -\frac{V_G - V_T}{1 + \theta(V_G - V_T)} \right)^2$$



# Strategy linear region

$m$ : number of matched pairs,  $n = 2m$ : number of measured curves

1) Extract transistor parameters  $V_{T_i}$ ,  $(\kappa_i, \theta_i)$  and  $RD_i$  ( $i = 1 \dots n$ ) from measured curves of  $ID$  vs.  $V_G$  and  $VD \ll VG - VT$ .

2) Calculate averaged parameters

$$V_T = \frac{1}{n} \sum V_{T_i}, \quad RD = \frac{1}{n} \sum RD_i, \quad \left( \kappa = \frac{1}{n} \sum \kappa_i, \theta = \frac{1}{n} \sum \theta_i \right)$$

3) Calculate

$$S_{V_T}^2 = \left( -\frac{1}{(V_G - V_T)(1 + (\alpha_r + \theta)(V_G - V_T))} \right)^2 \quad S_{\theta}^2 = \left( -\frac{V_G - V_T}{1 + (\alpha_r + \theta)(V_G - V_T)} \right)^2$$

$$S_{\kappa}^2 = \left( \frac{1 + \theta(V_G - V_T)}{\kappa(1 + (\alpha_r + \theta)(V_G - V_T))} \right)^2 \quad S_{RD}^2 = \left( -\frac{\kappa \frac{W}{L} (V_G - V_T)}{1 + (\alpha_r + \theta)(V_G - V_T)} \right)^2 = \left( -\frac{ID}{VDS} \right)^2$$

## Extraction of Mismatch parameters

Mismatch consists of:

$$\sigma^2\left(\frac{\Delta I_D}{I_D}\right) = S_{V_T}^2 \sigma^2(\Delta V_T) + S_{\kappa}^2 \sigma^2(\Delta \kappa) + S_{\theta}^2 \sigma^2(\Delta \theta) + S_R^2 \sigma^2(\Delta R)$$

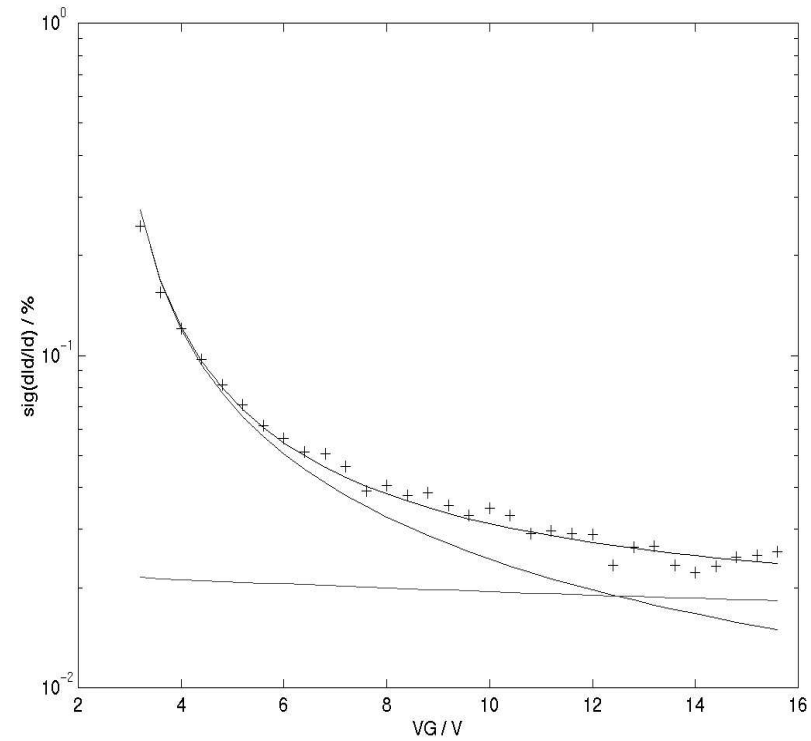
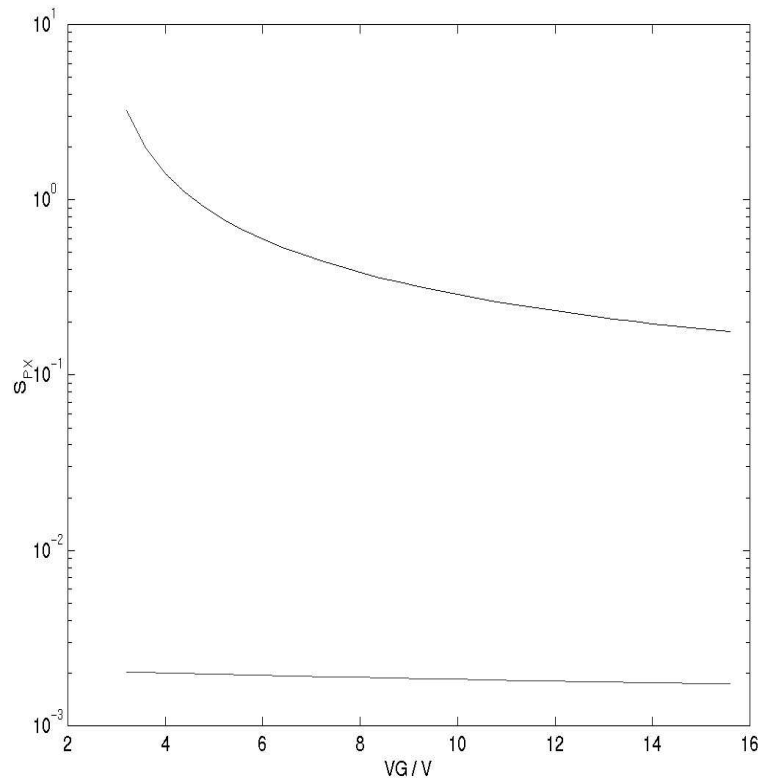
1. Step, saturation region: Extraction of

$$\sigma(\Delta V_T), \quad \sigma(\Delta \kappa), \quad \sigma(\Delta \theta)$$

2. Step, linear region: Extraction of

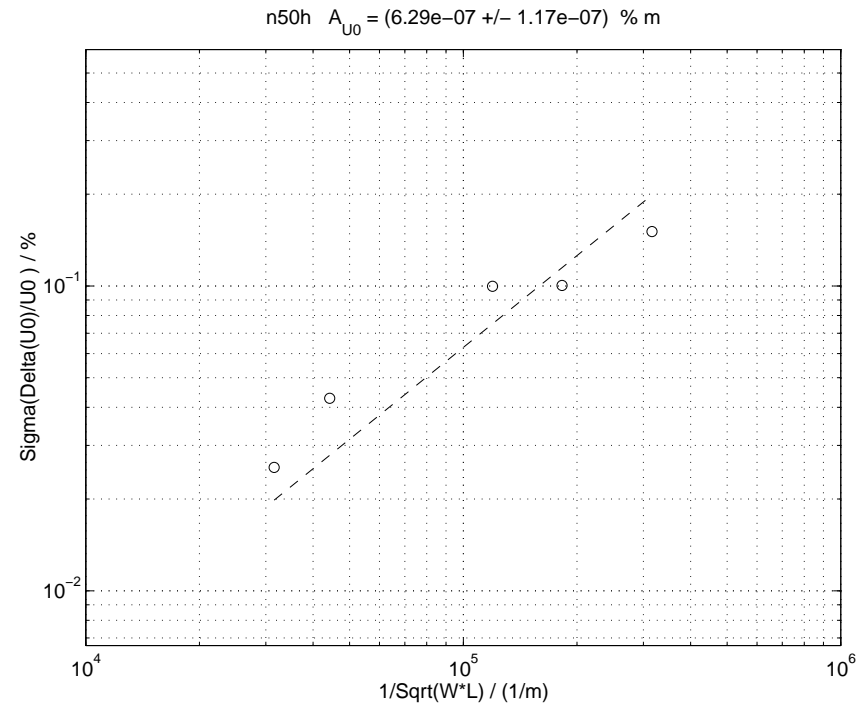
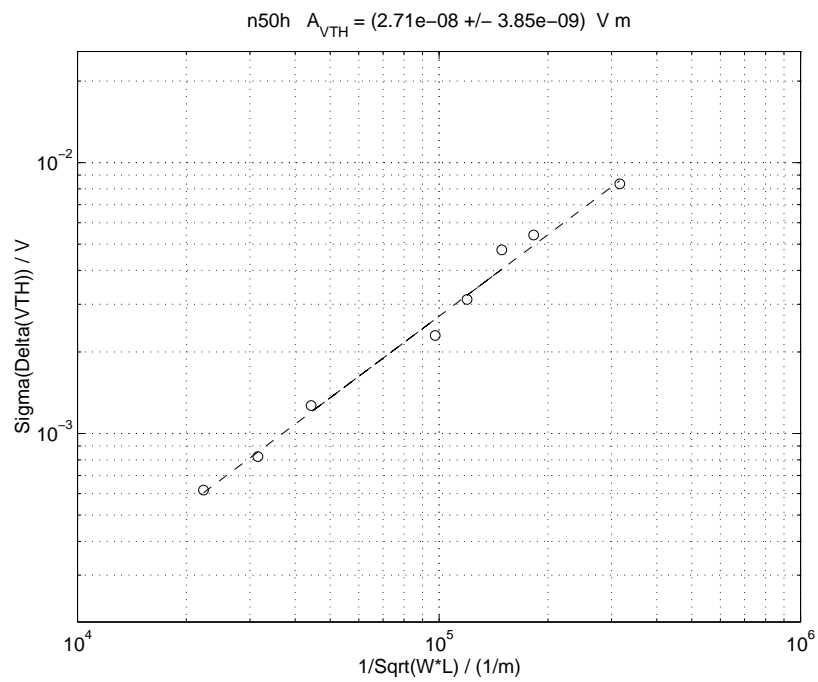
$$\sigma(\Delta V_T), \quad \sigma(\Delta R)$$

# SATURATION



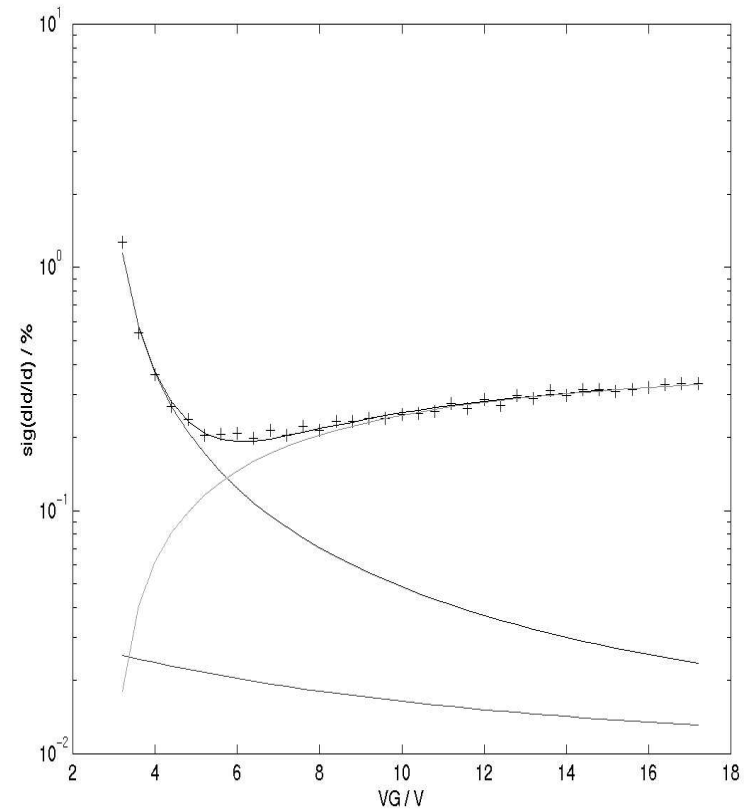
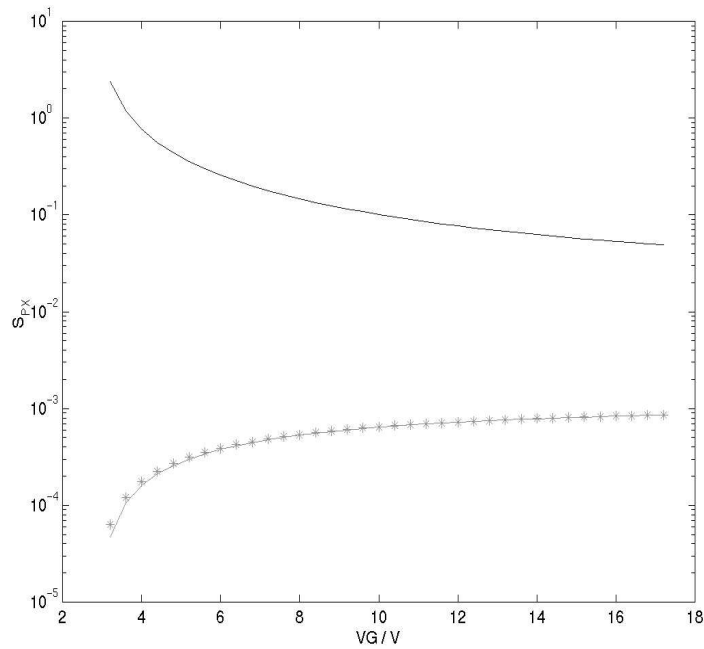
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# RESULTS SATURATION



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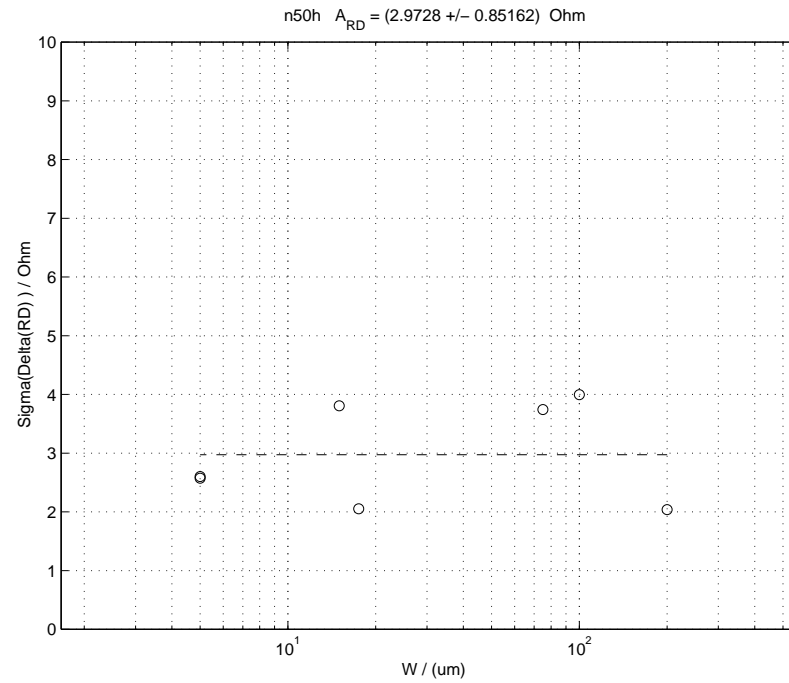
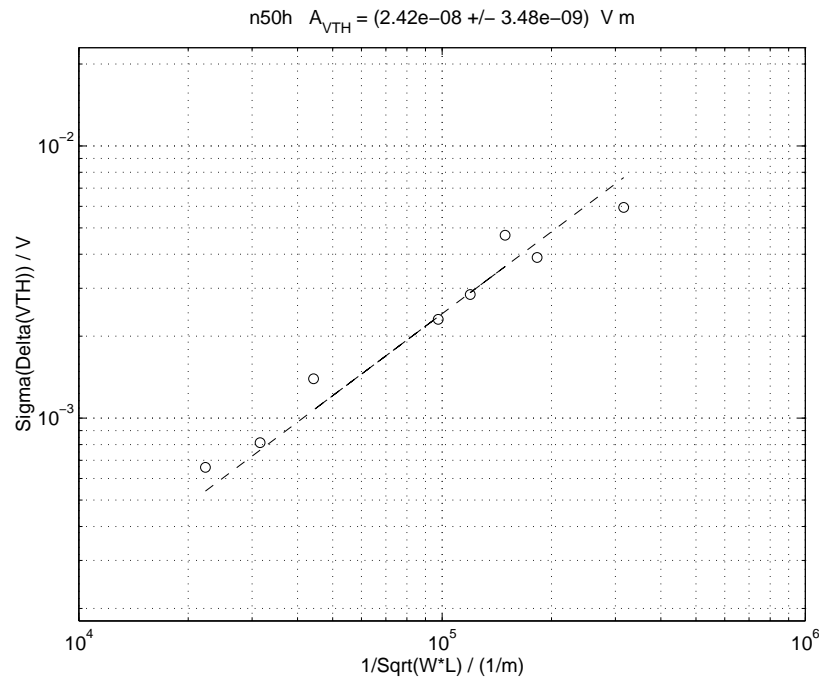
# LINEAR REGION



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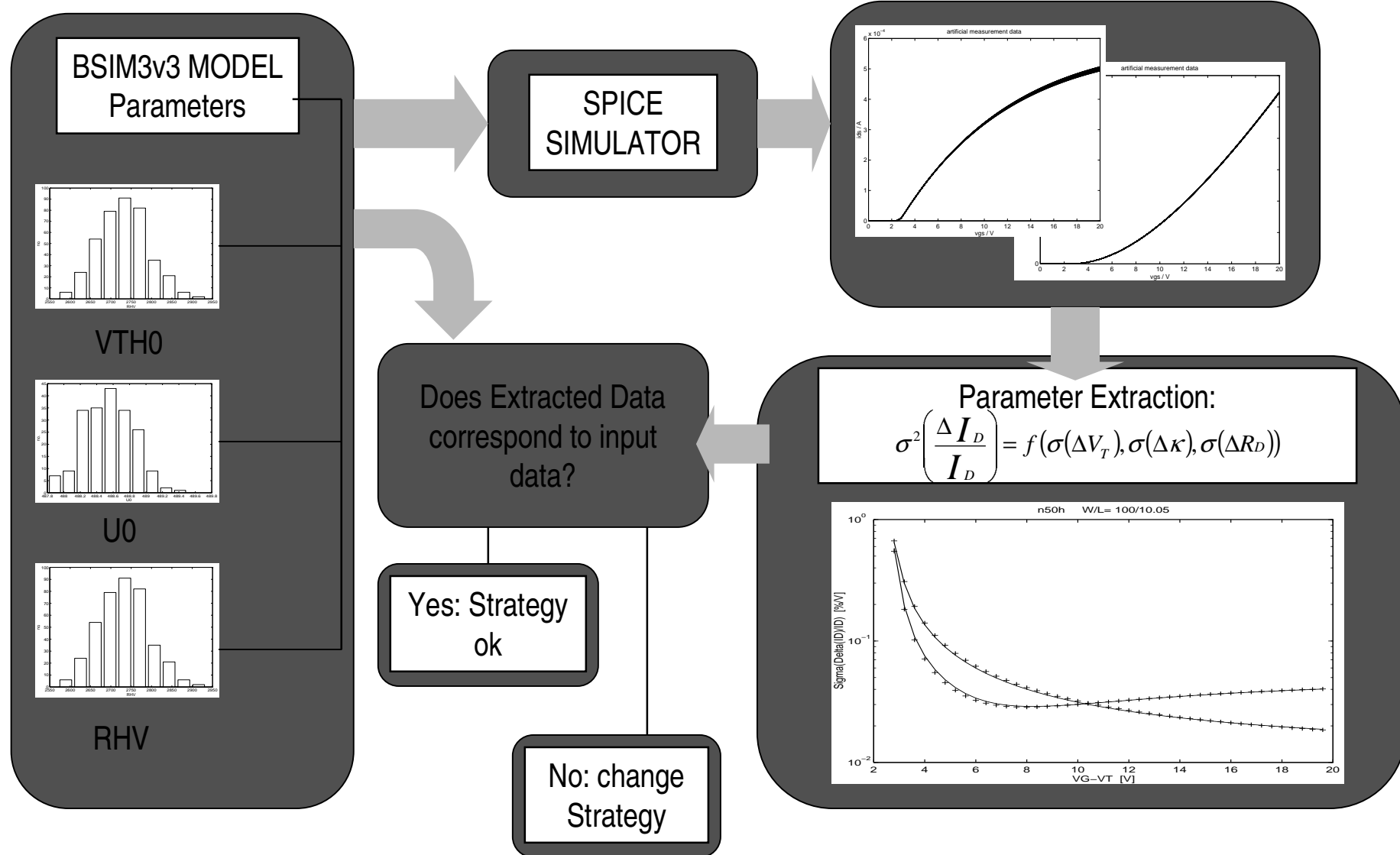
# RESULTS LINEAR REGION

## Results for linear region (RON)



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# Verification of the Strategy



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# MATCHING TC

## Test Chip:

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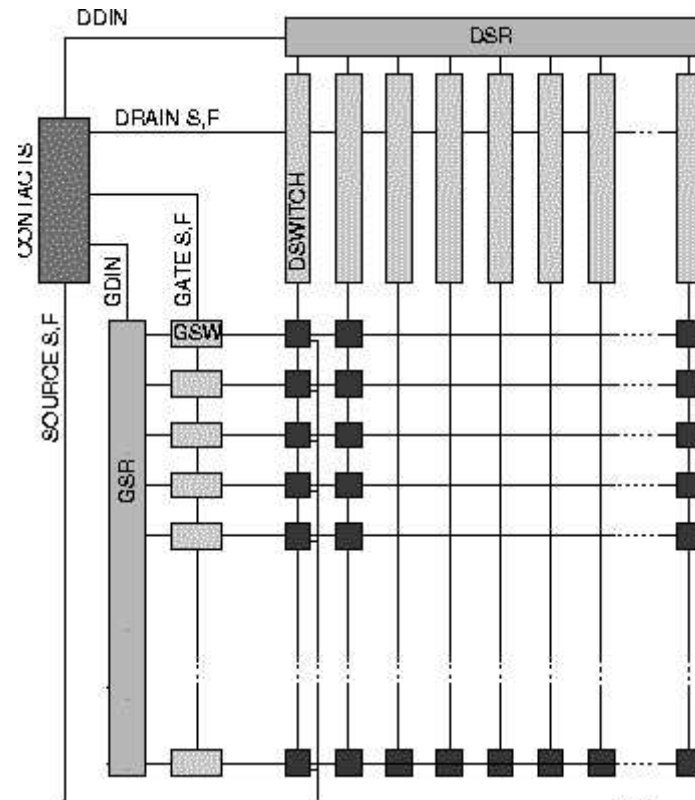
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compensation of contact resistances  
with Kelvin probes

number of devices is extendable

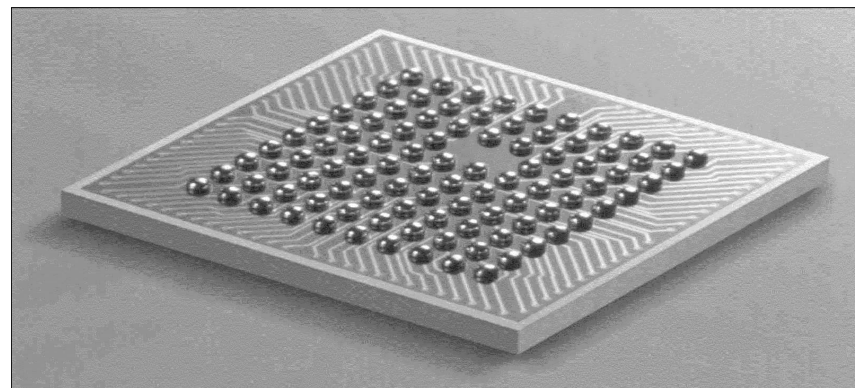
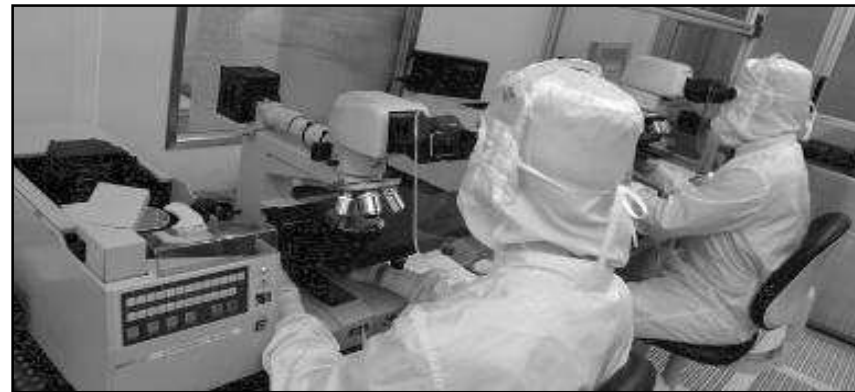
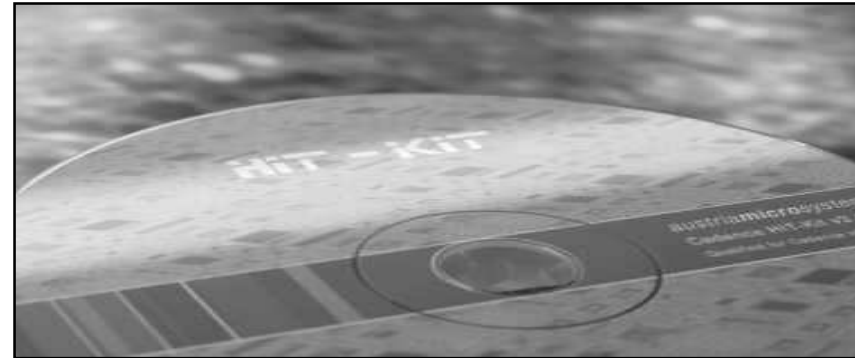
usage for: short distance mismatch

long distance mismatch





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