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# ECE 255: L13

## MOSFETs

(Sedra and Smith, 7<sup>th</sup> Ed., Sec. 5.1)

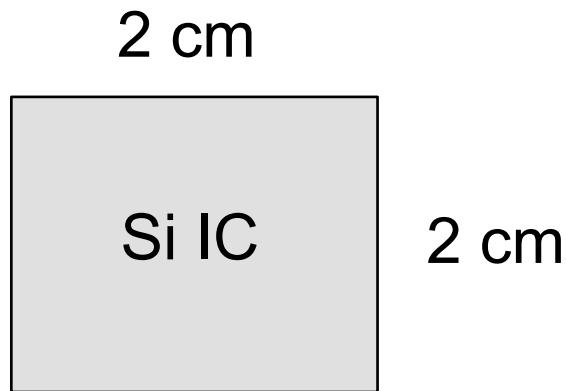
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# Quiz

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How many kilometers of wire  
are there in a modern Si chip?

$$1 \text{ km} = 10^5 \text{ cm}$$

- a)  $2 \times 10^{-5}$
- b)  $10 \times 10^{-5}$
- c)  $4 \times 10^{-2}$
- d)  $2 \times 10^{-1}$
- e) 3



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## Company Information Session

Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

7:00 - 8:00 PM

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**Tuesday February 19, 10 AM-3 PM, in PMU Ballrooms**

**Mon 2/18      Information Sessions      HCRS 1076**

- 8:30am Fulbright U.S. Student Program Overview  
11:30am Fulbright U.S. Student Program Overview

**Mon 2/18      Fulbright Program Mixer      Duhme Hall Atrium**

6:00pm Join us for food and drink with Purdue Fulbright alumni to hear about their experiences in the program.

**Tues 2/19      Information Sessions      HCRS 1066**

- 3:30pm Research & Study Grants – guidance for graduate students  
4:15pm 2020-21 English Teaching Assistant Grants  
5:00pm 2020-21 Research and Study Grants

**Wed 2/20      Information Sessions      HCRS 1066**

- 5:00pm 2020-21 Research and Study Grants  
5:45pm 2020-21 English Teaching Assistant Grants  
6:30pm Research & Study Grants – guidance for graduate students

**Thurs 2/21      Information Sessions      HCRS 1066**

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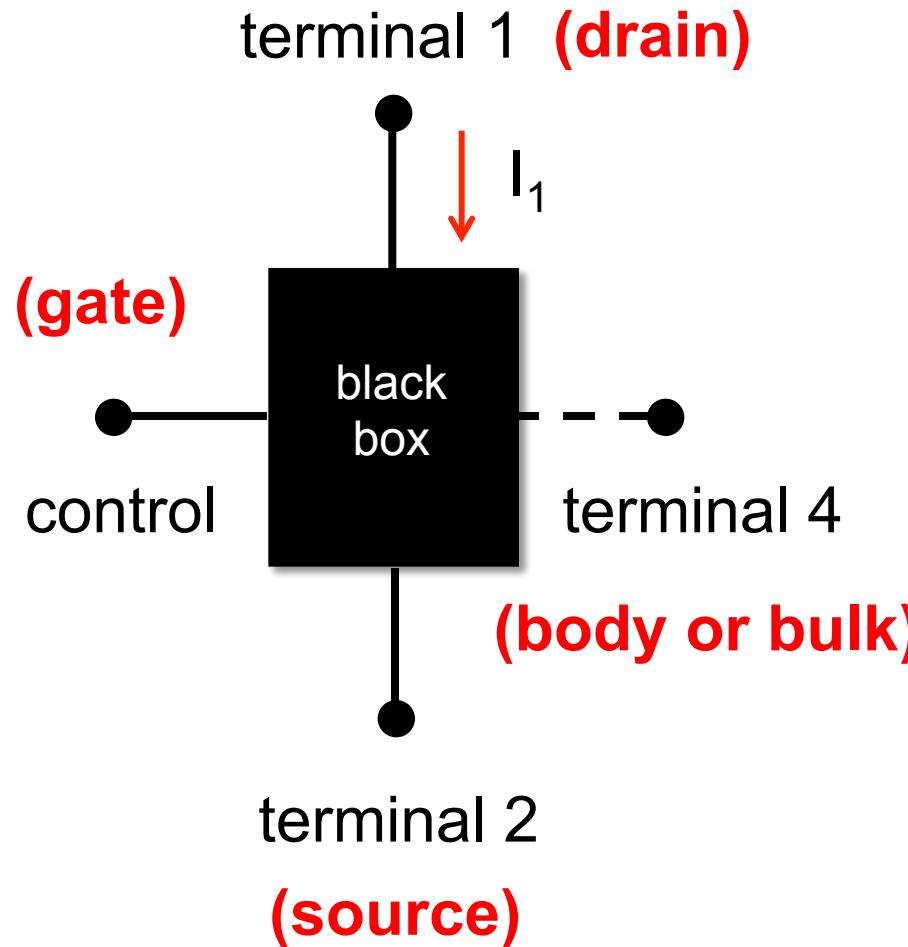
# MOSFETs

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- 1) Physical structure
- 2) IV characteristics (descriptive)
- 3) IV characteristics (energy band approach)
- 4) IV characteristics (mathematical model)

# Transistor as a “black box”

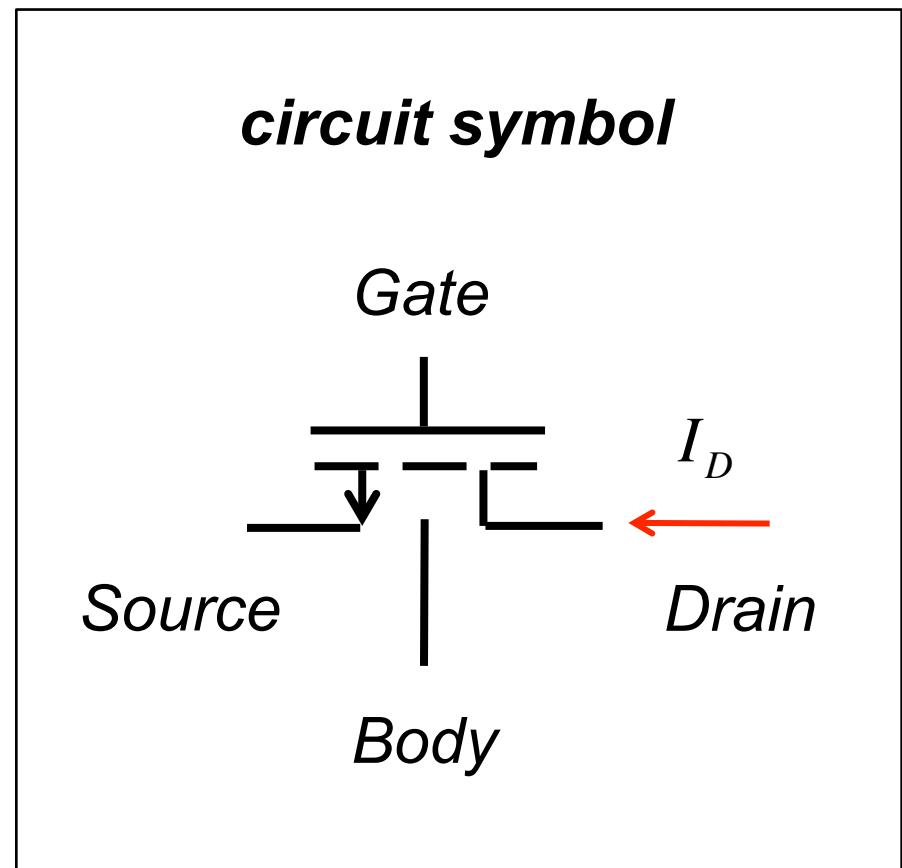
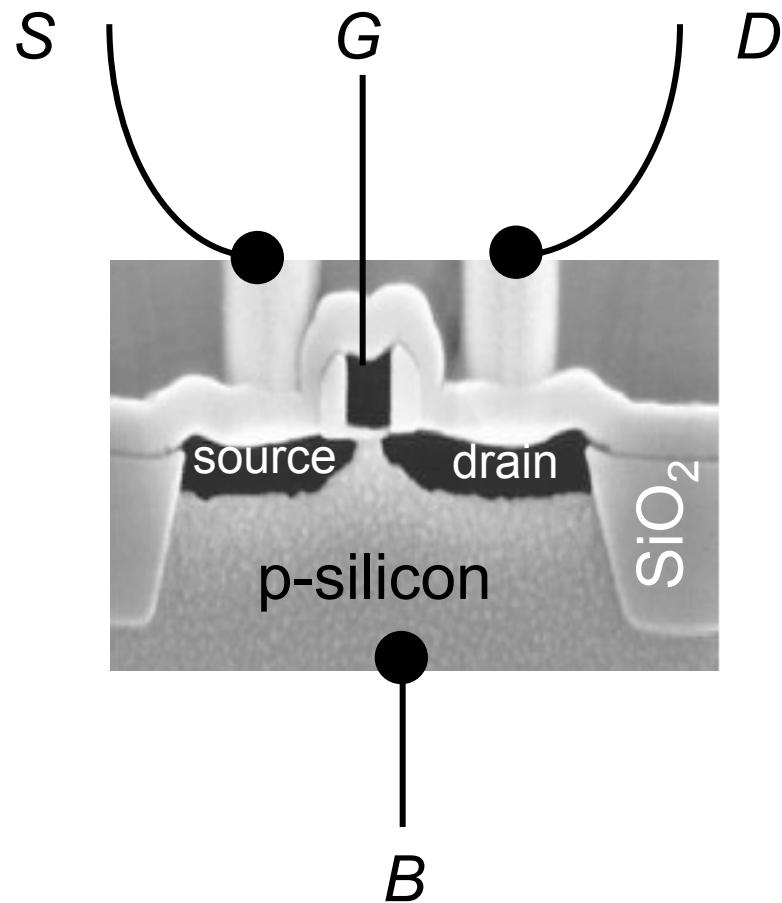
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A small current (or voltage) on the control terminal controls a much larger current through two other terminals.

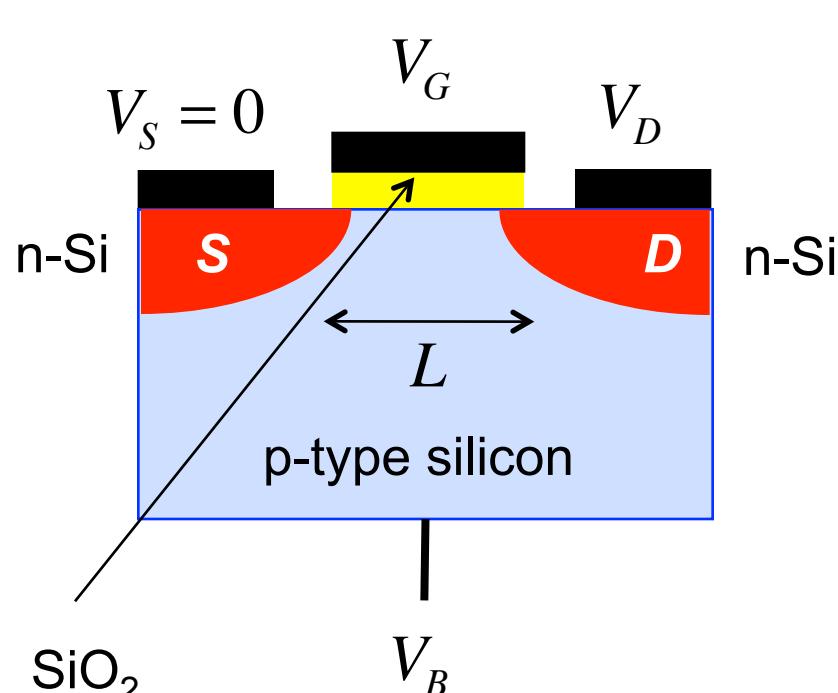
Current control: BJT  
Voltage control: MOSFET

# Physical structure



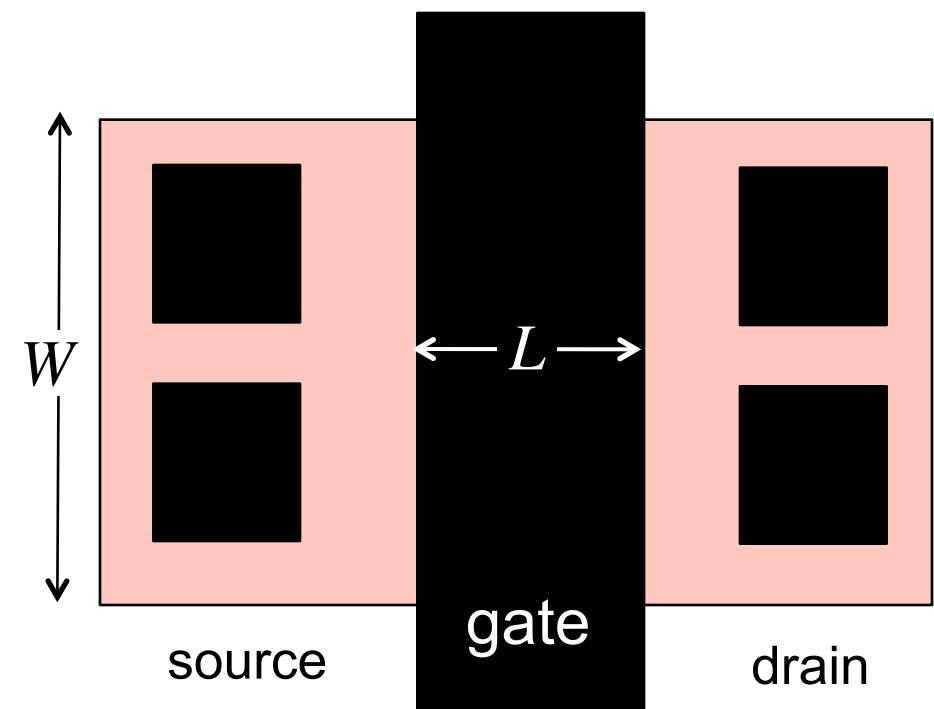
# Side and top views of an n-channel MOSFET

## Metal Oxide Semiconductor Field Effect Transistor



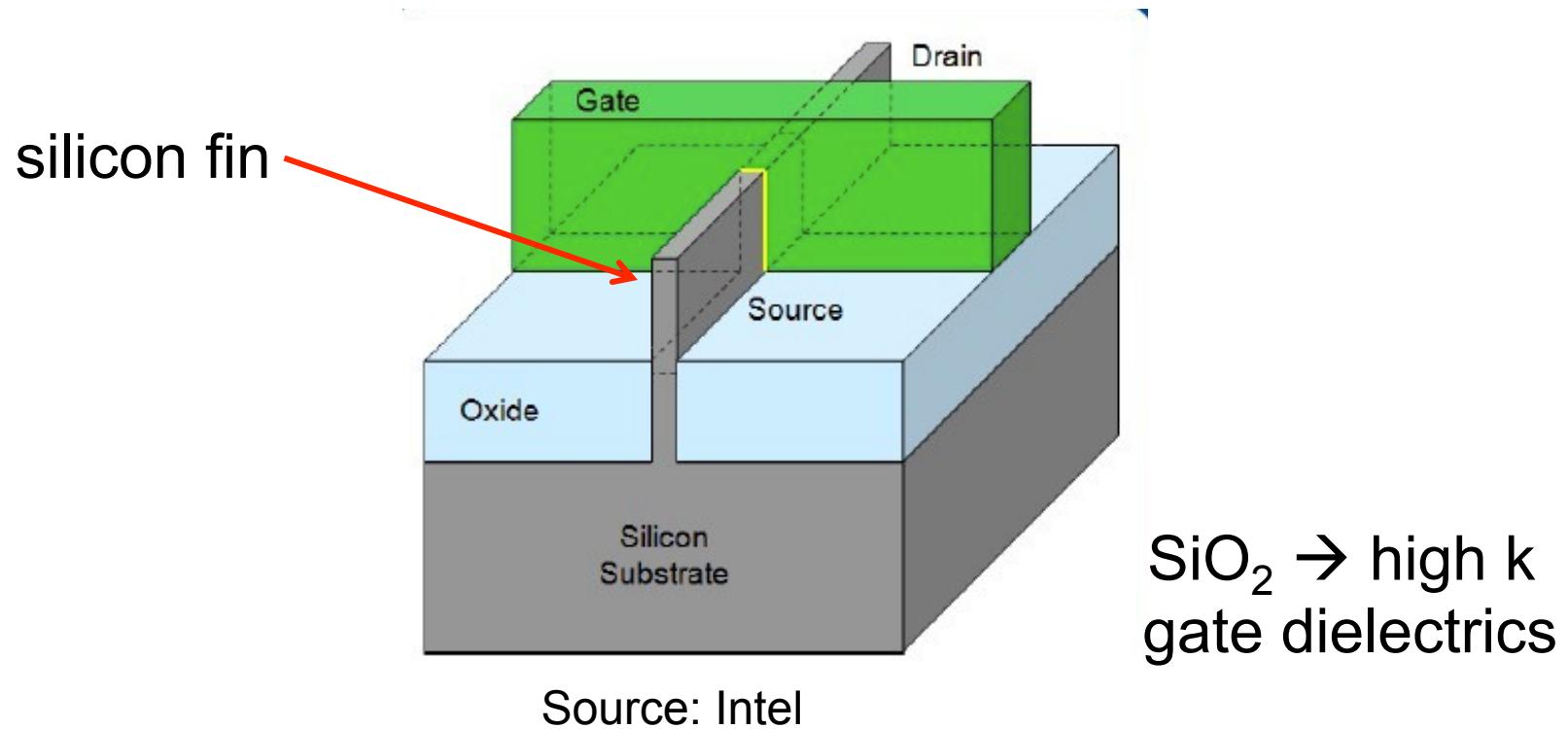
side view

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top view

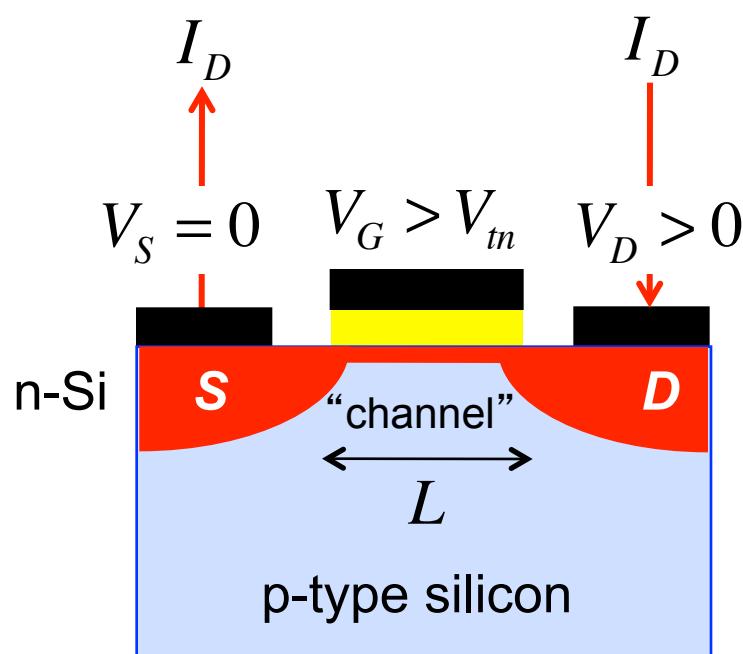
# Modern MOSFETs: FinFETs



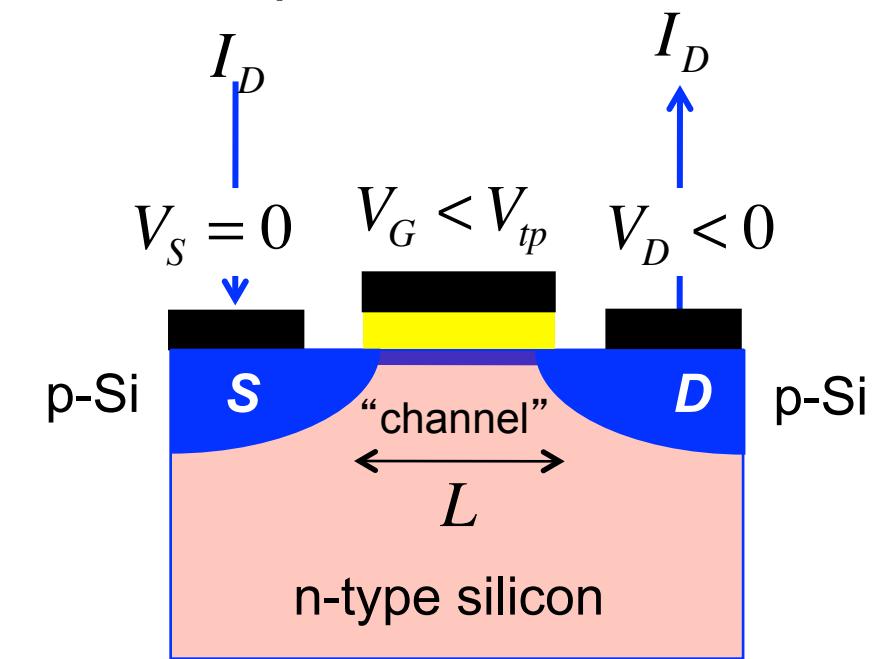
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# N-channel vs. P-channel MOSFET

n-MOSFET



p-MOSFET



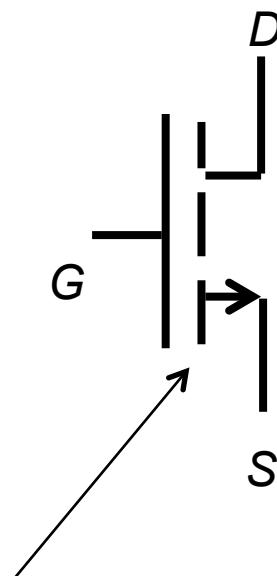
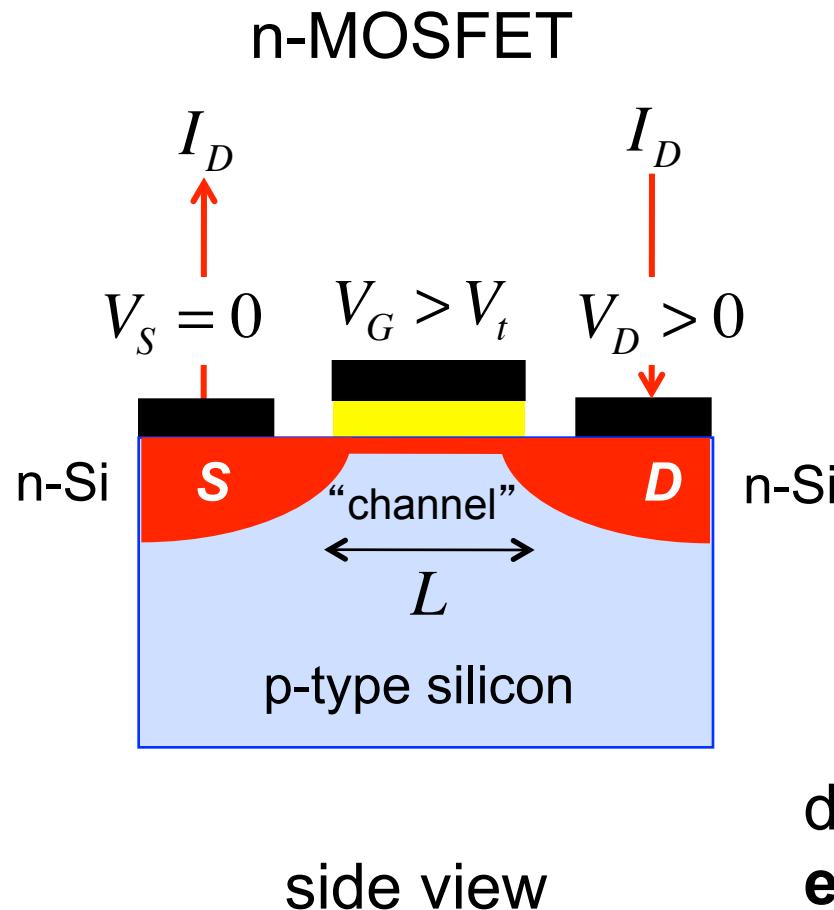
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**Current flows in the drain**

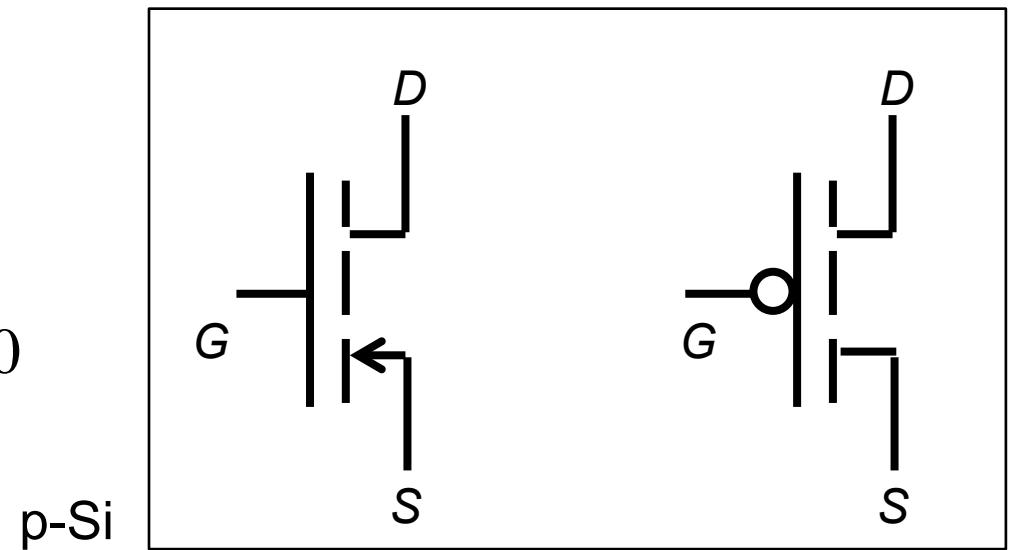
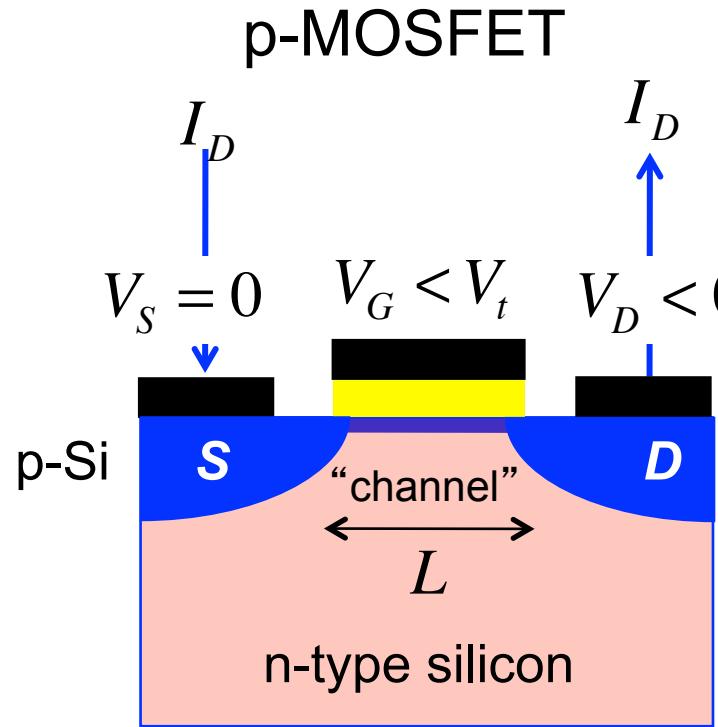
**Current flows out the drain** <sub>10</sub>

# N-channel MOSFET: circuit symbol



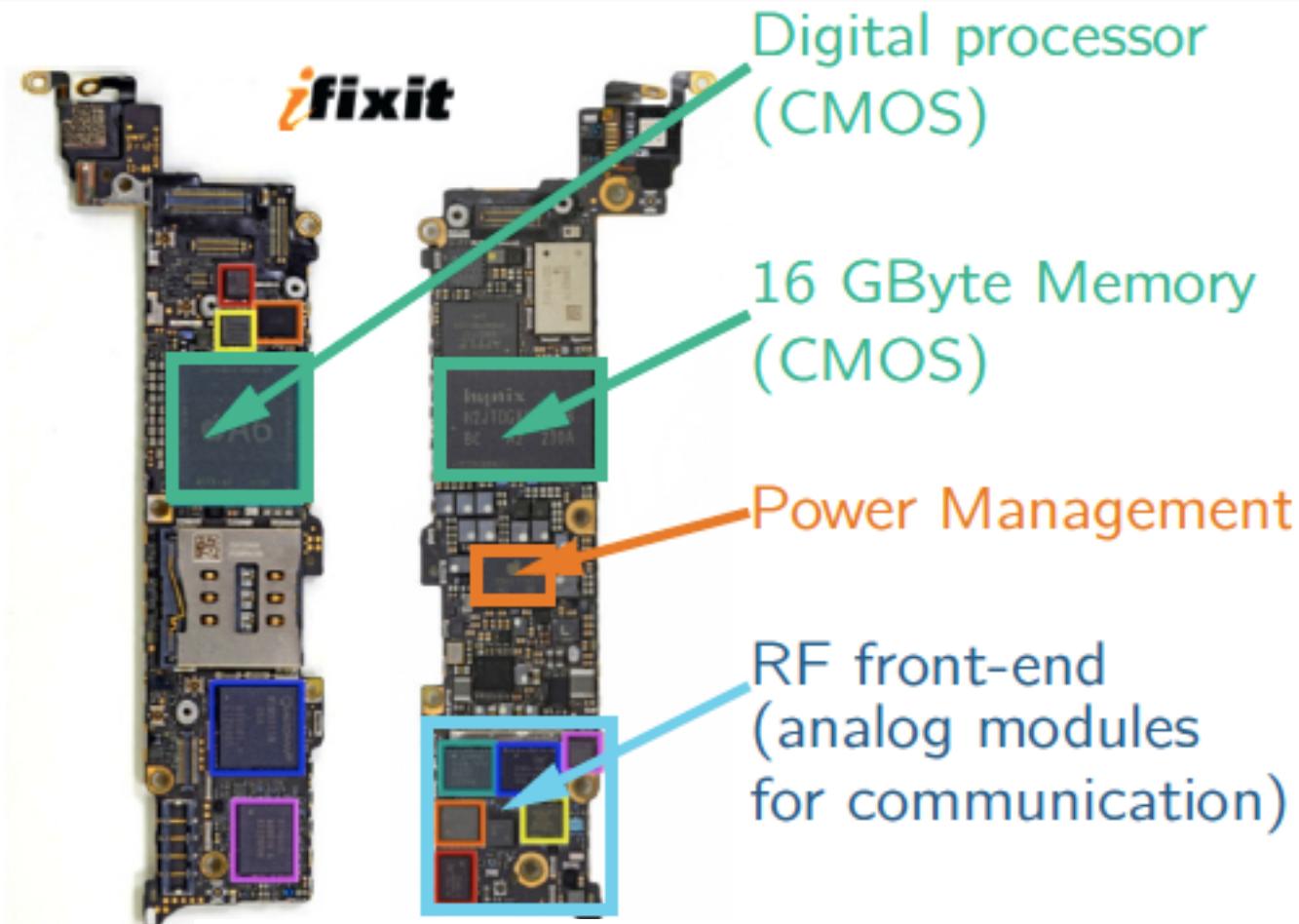
dashed line indicates an  
**enhancement mode** MOSFET.

# p-channel MOSFET: circuit symbol



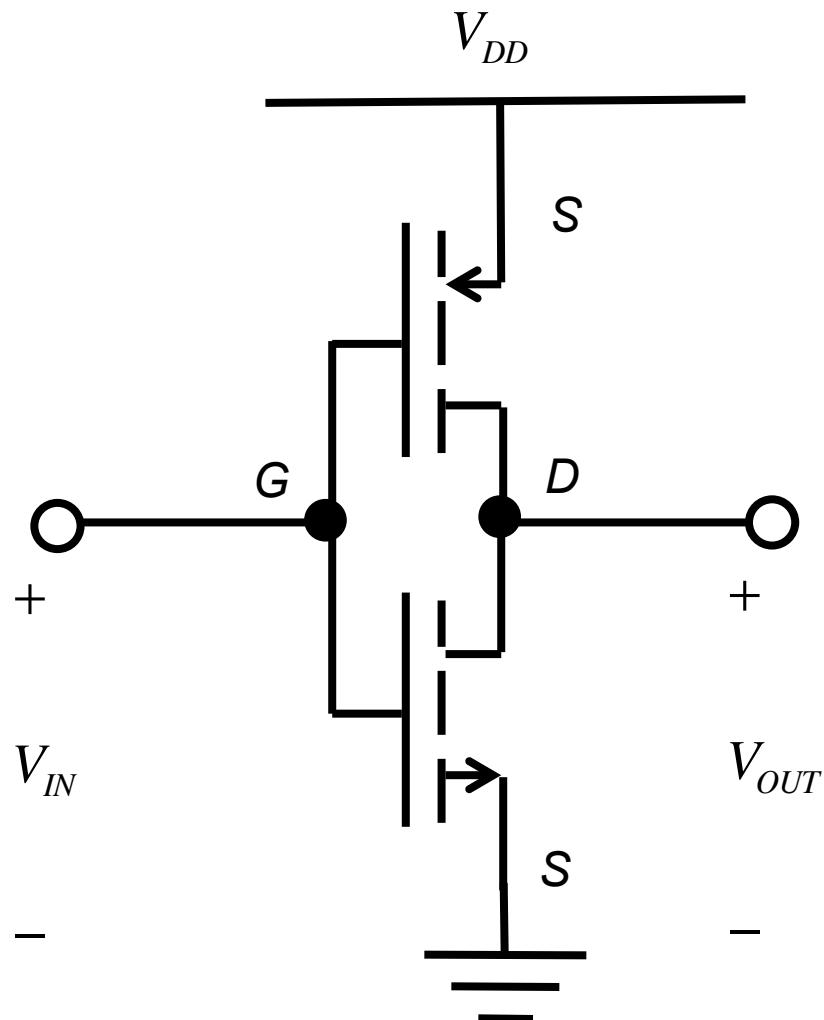
side view

# MOSFETs and BJTs



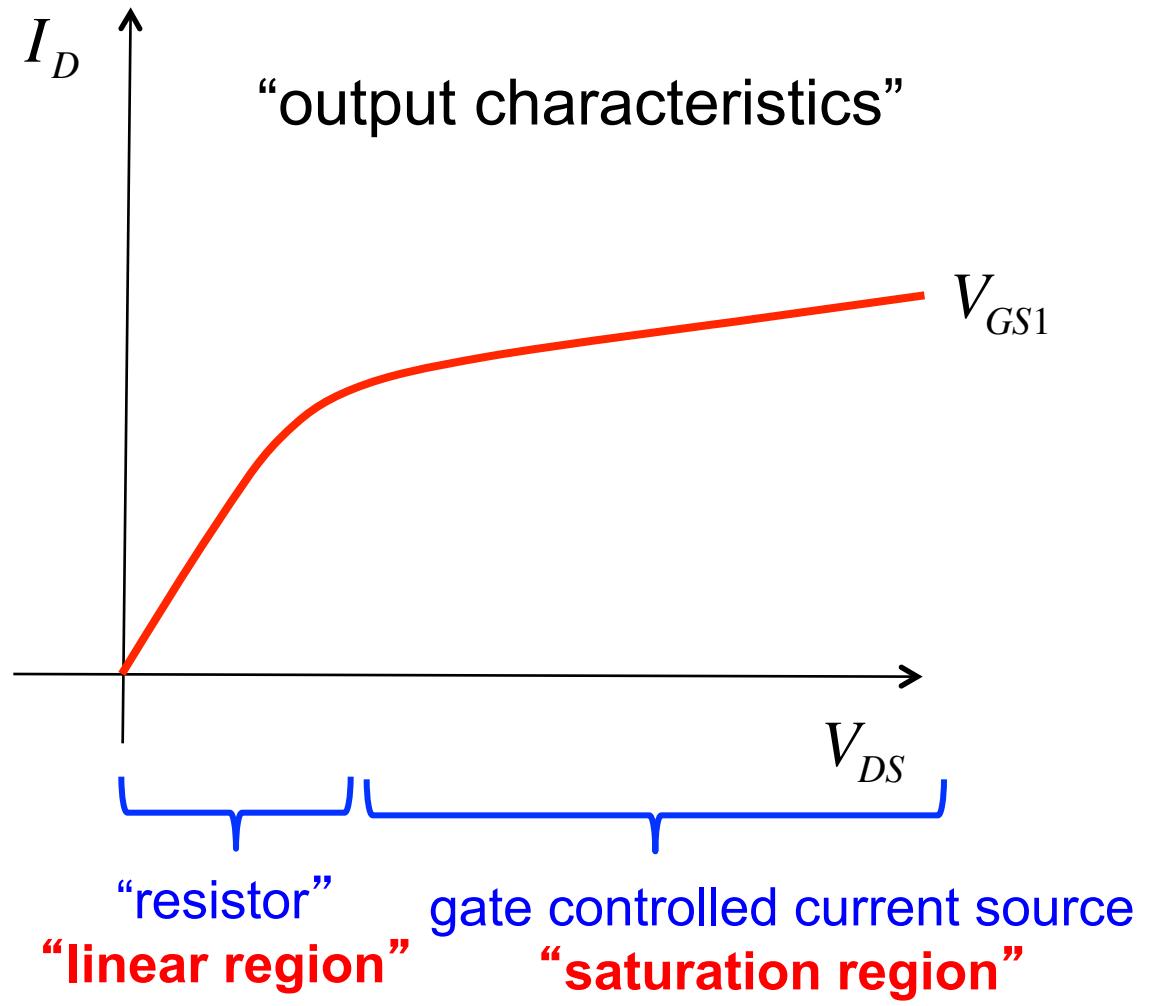
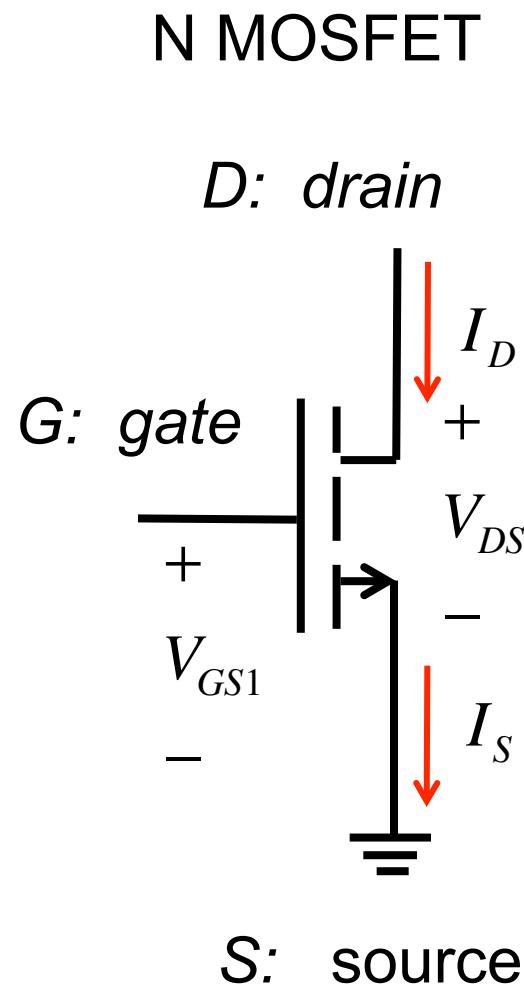
# CMOS digital technology

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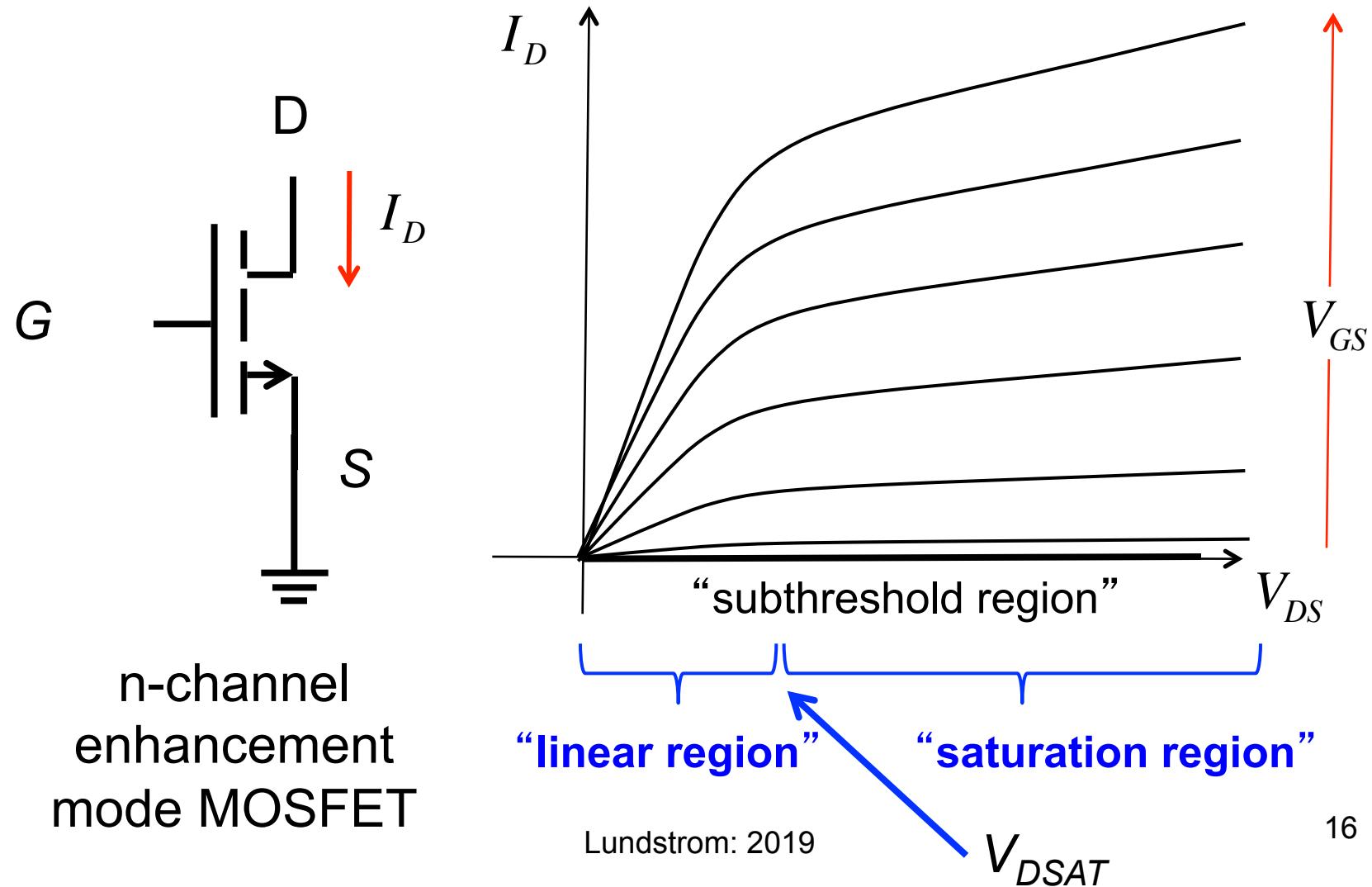


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# N-MOSFET IV characteristics

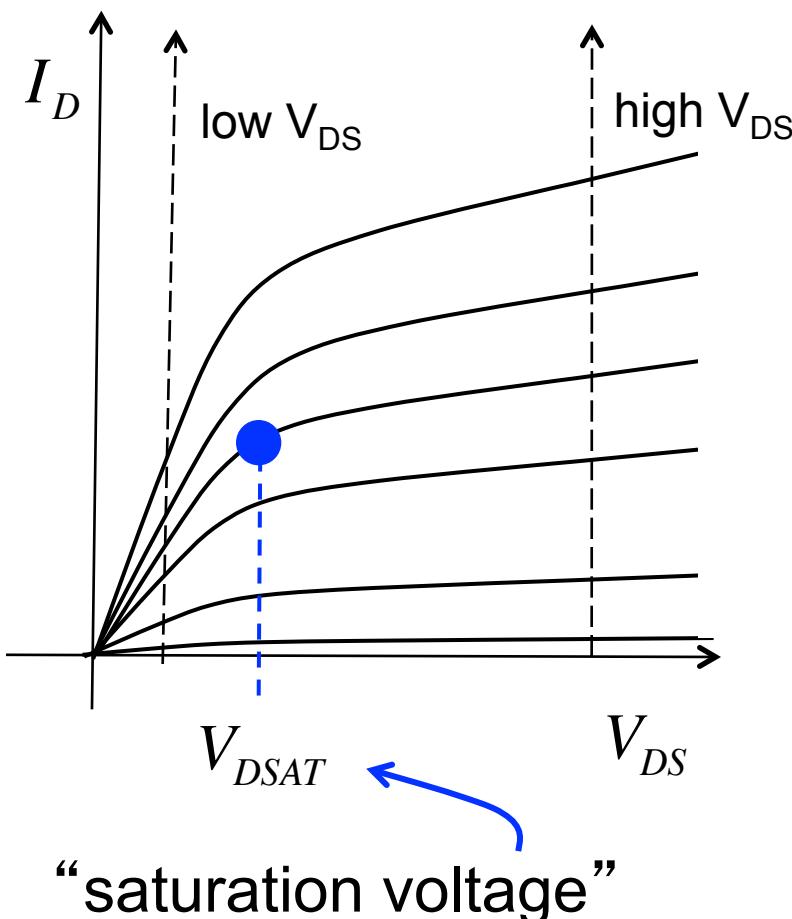


# N-MOSFET output characteristics

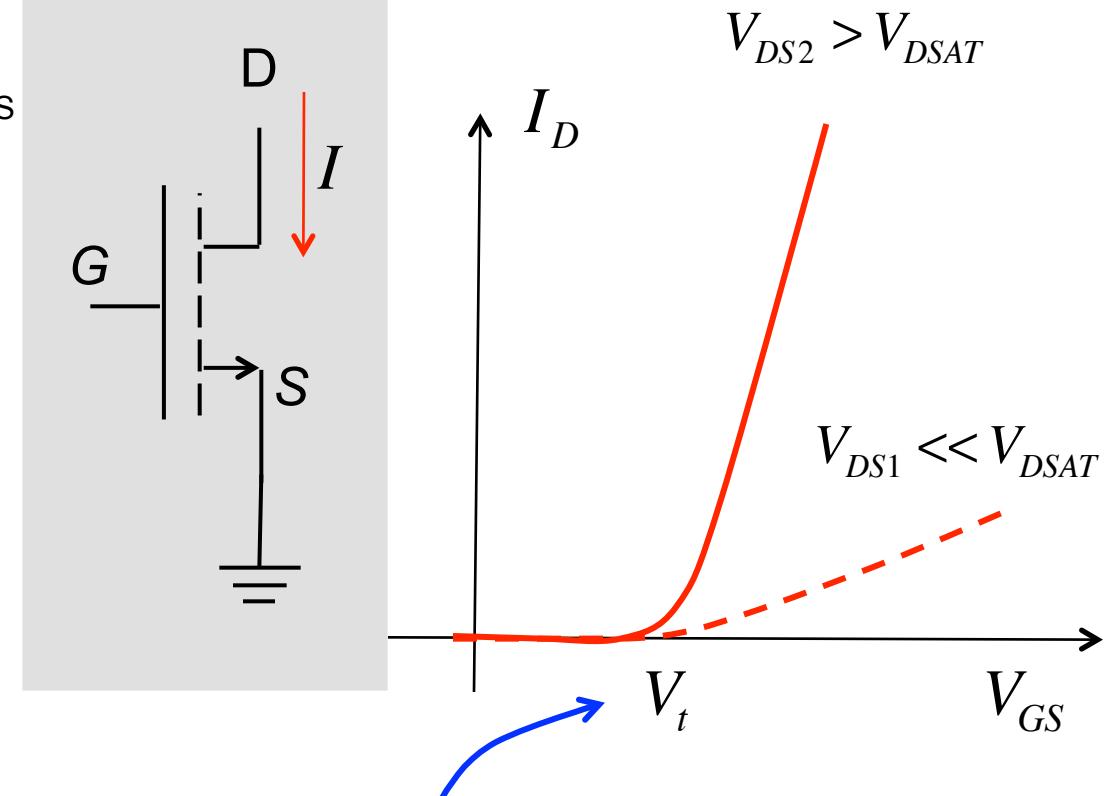
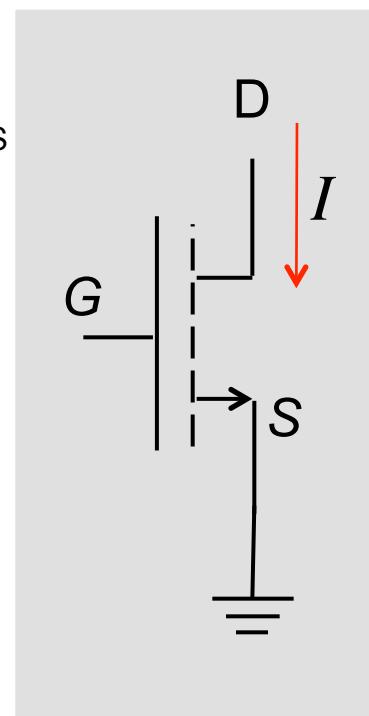


# Output vs. transfer characteristics

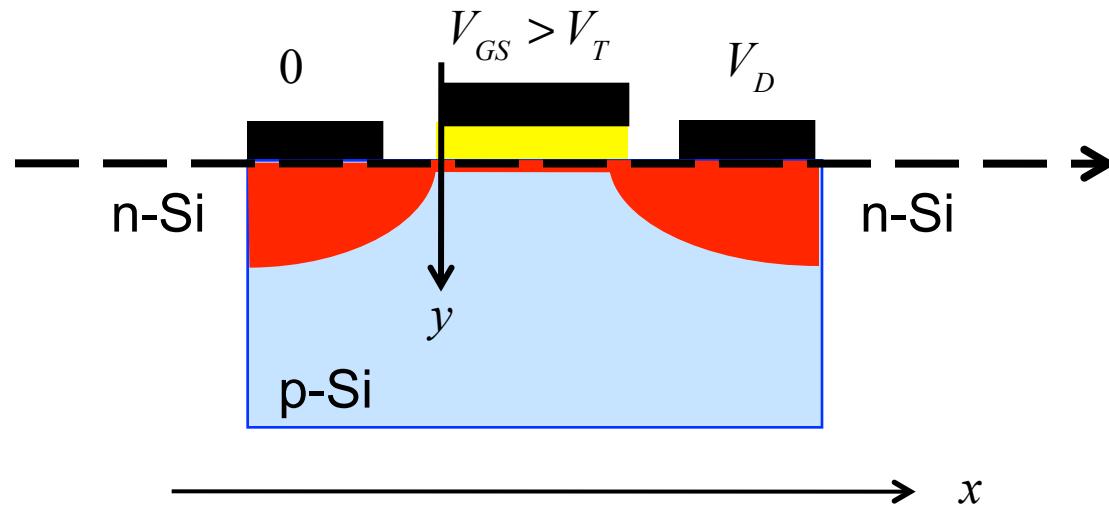
output characteristics



← → transfer characteristics



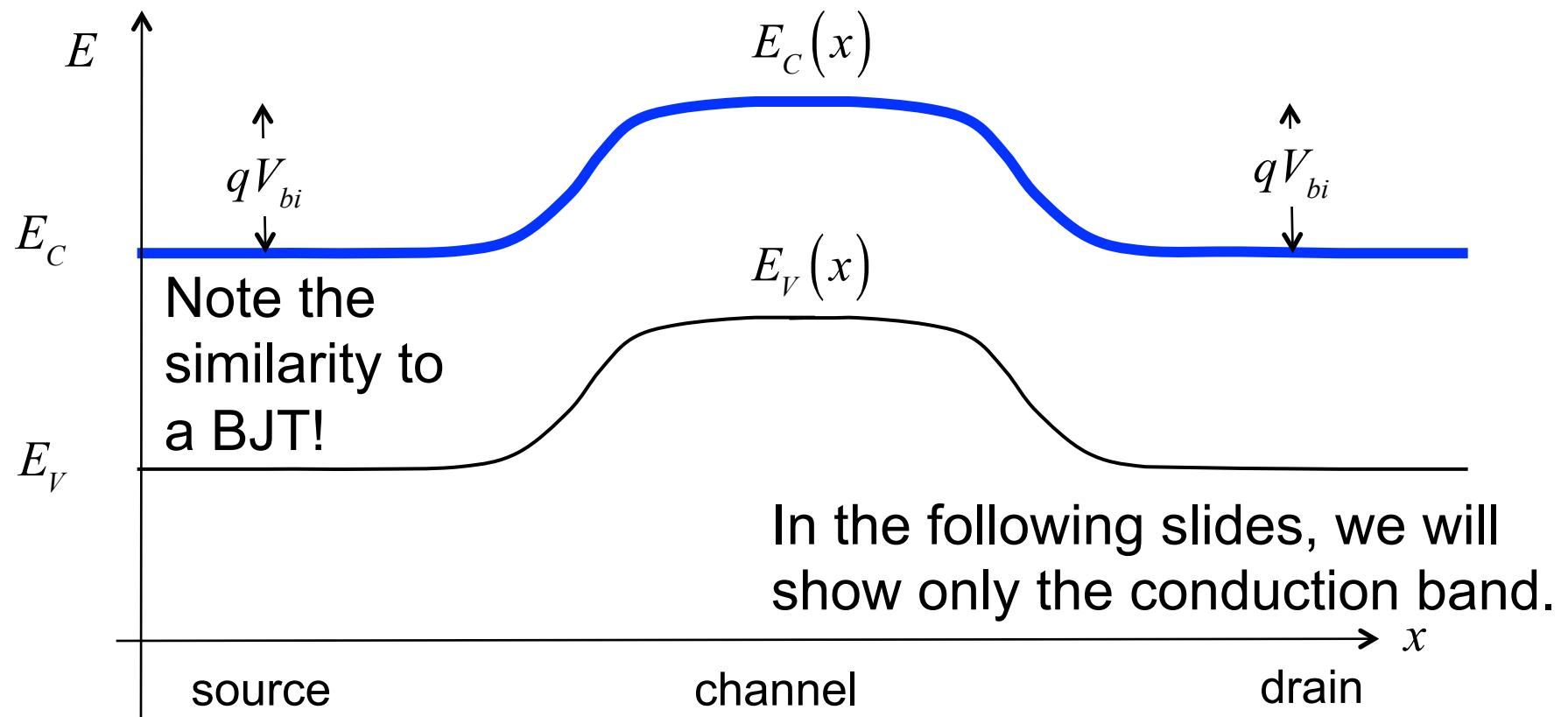
# Energy band treatment of the MOSFET



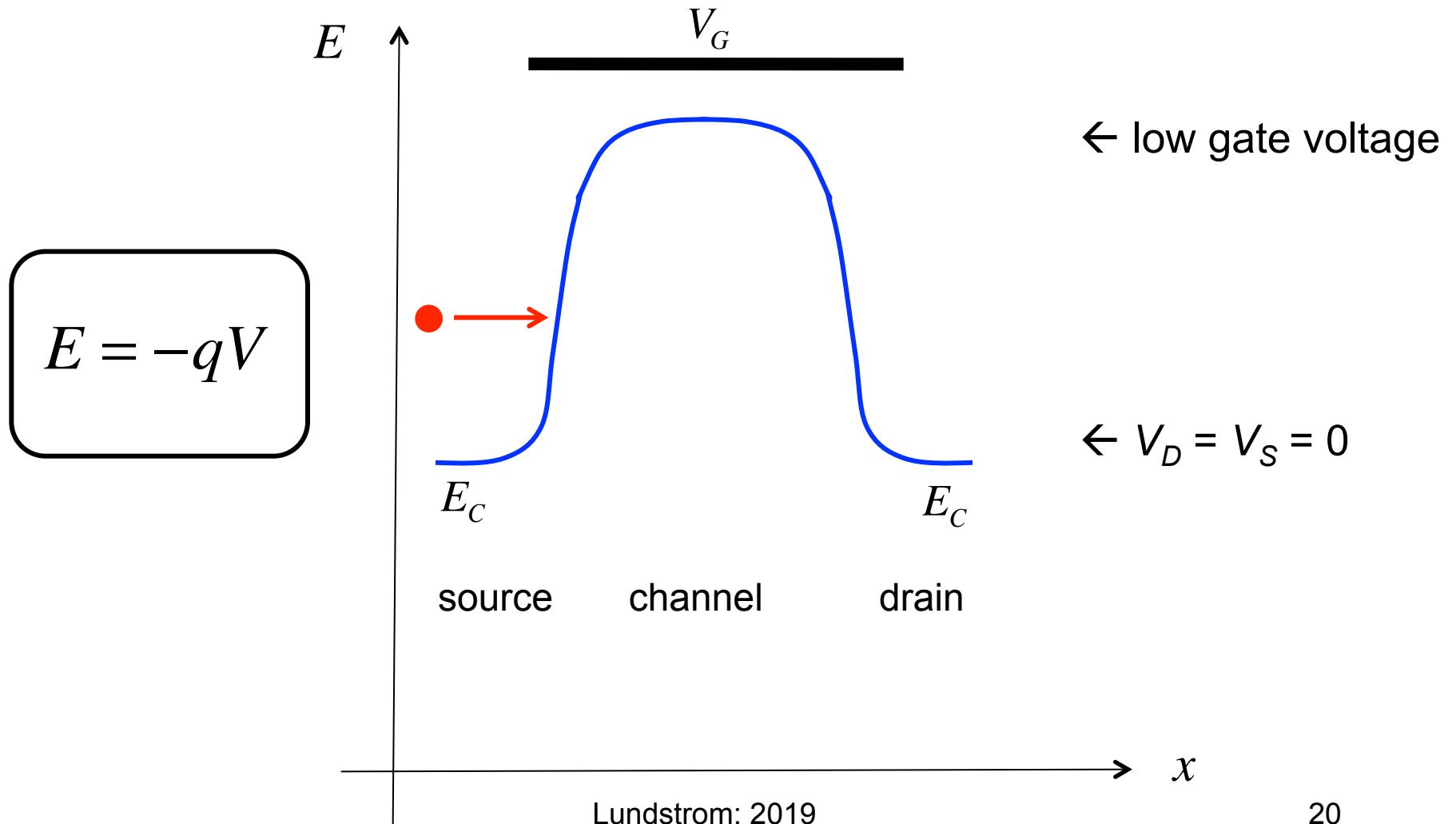
To understand this device, we should first draw an ***Energy Band Diagram*** from the source, across the channel, and out the drain.

# Equilibrium energy band diagram

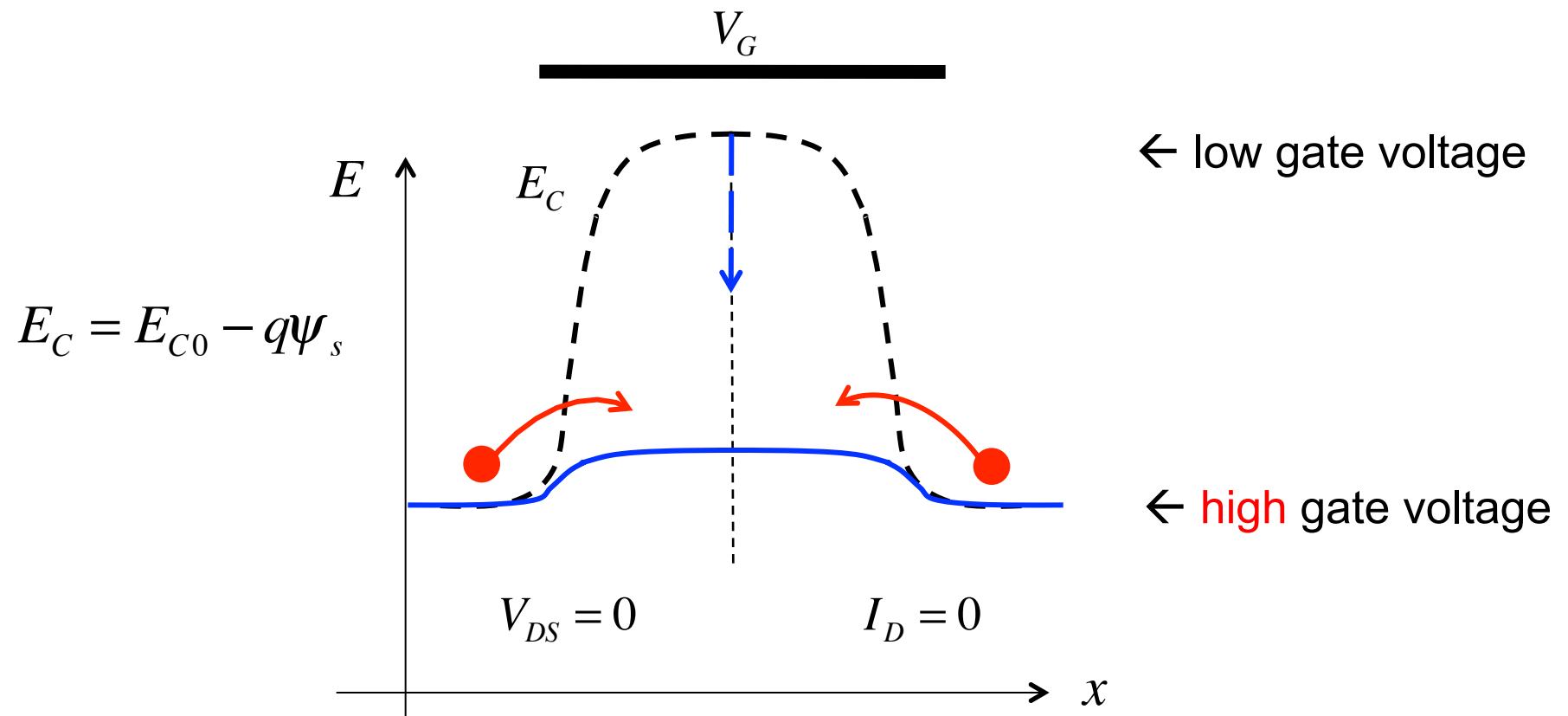
**Now, what effect does a gate voltage have?**



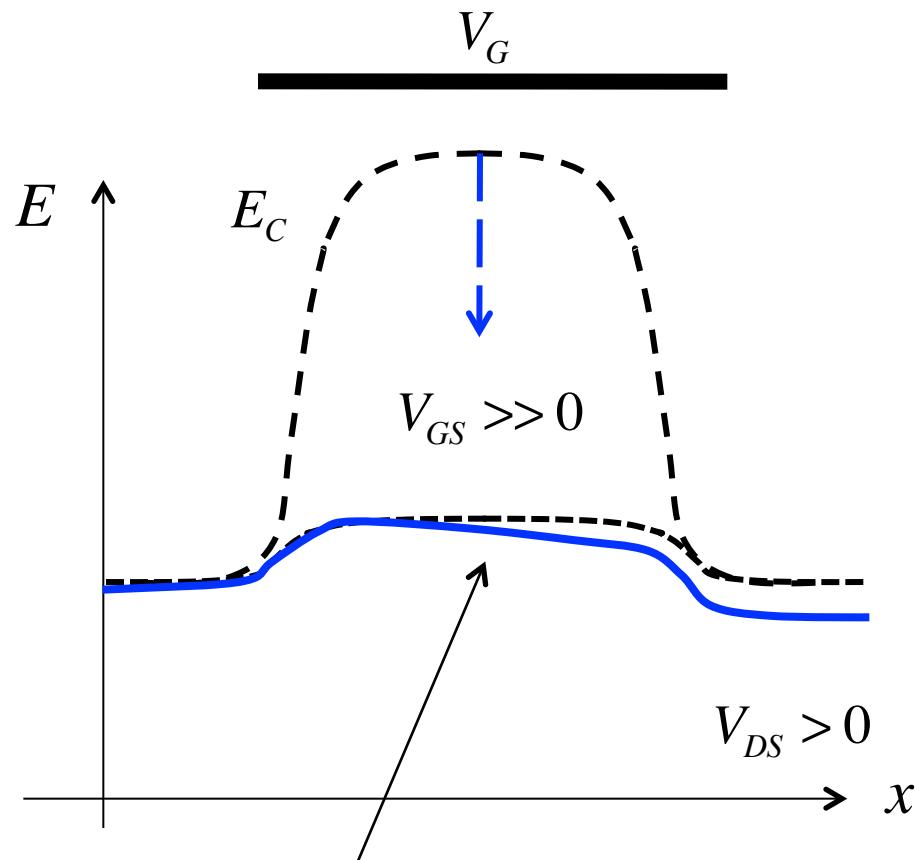
# The MOSFET as a barrier controlled device



# Examine effect of gate voltage first



# Now add a small drain voltage

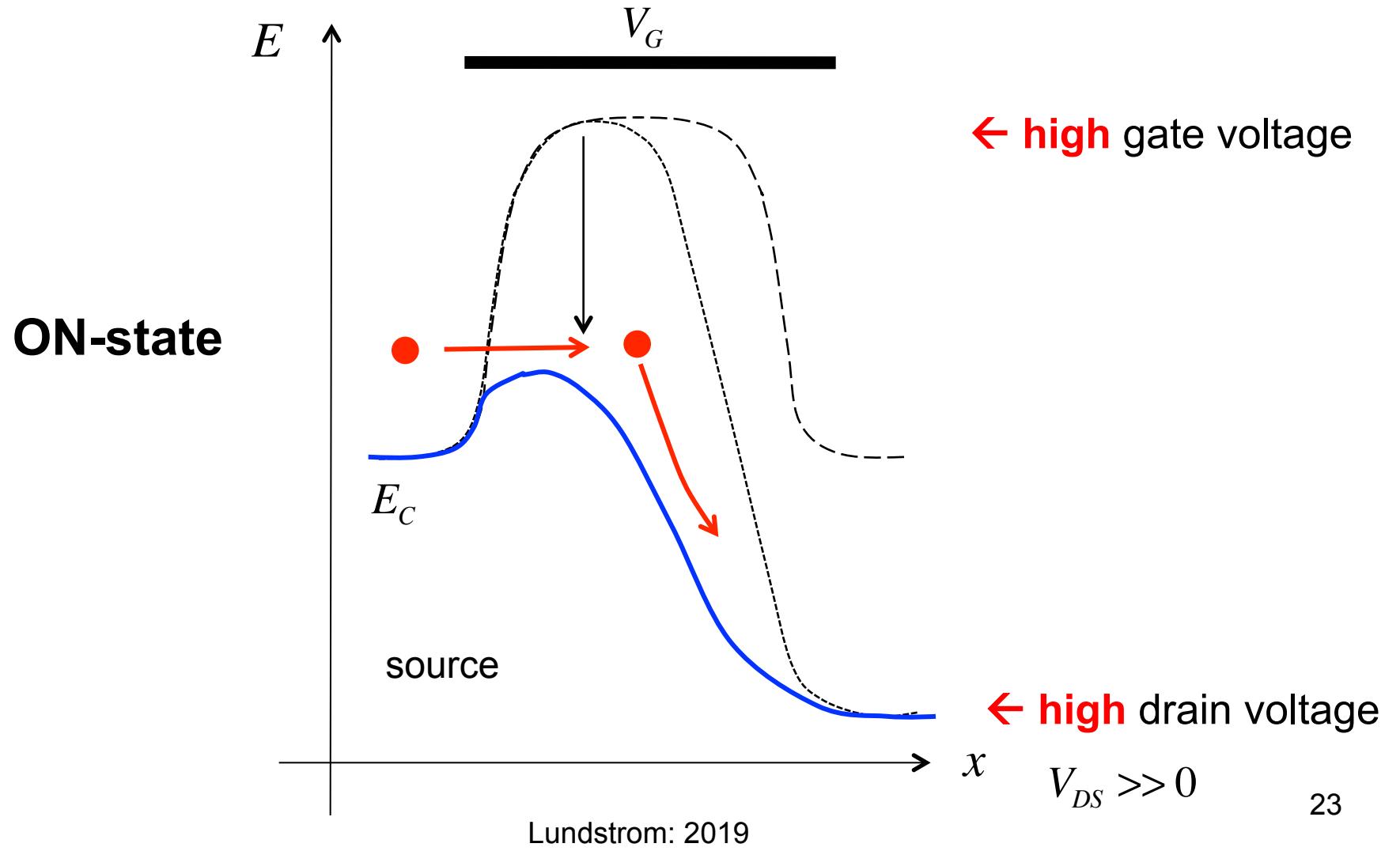


constant electric field and  
substantial electron density

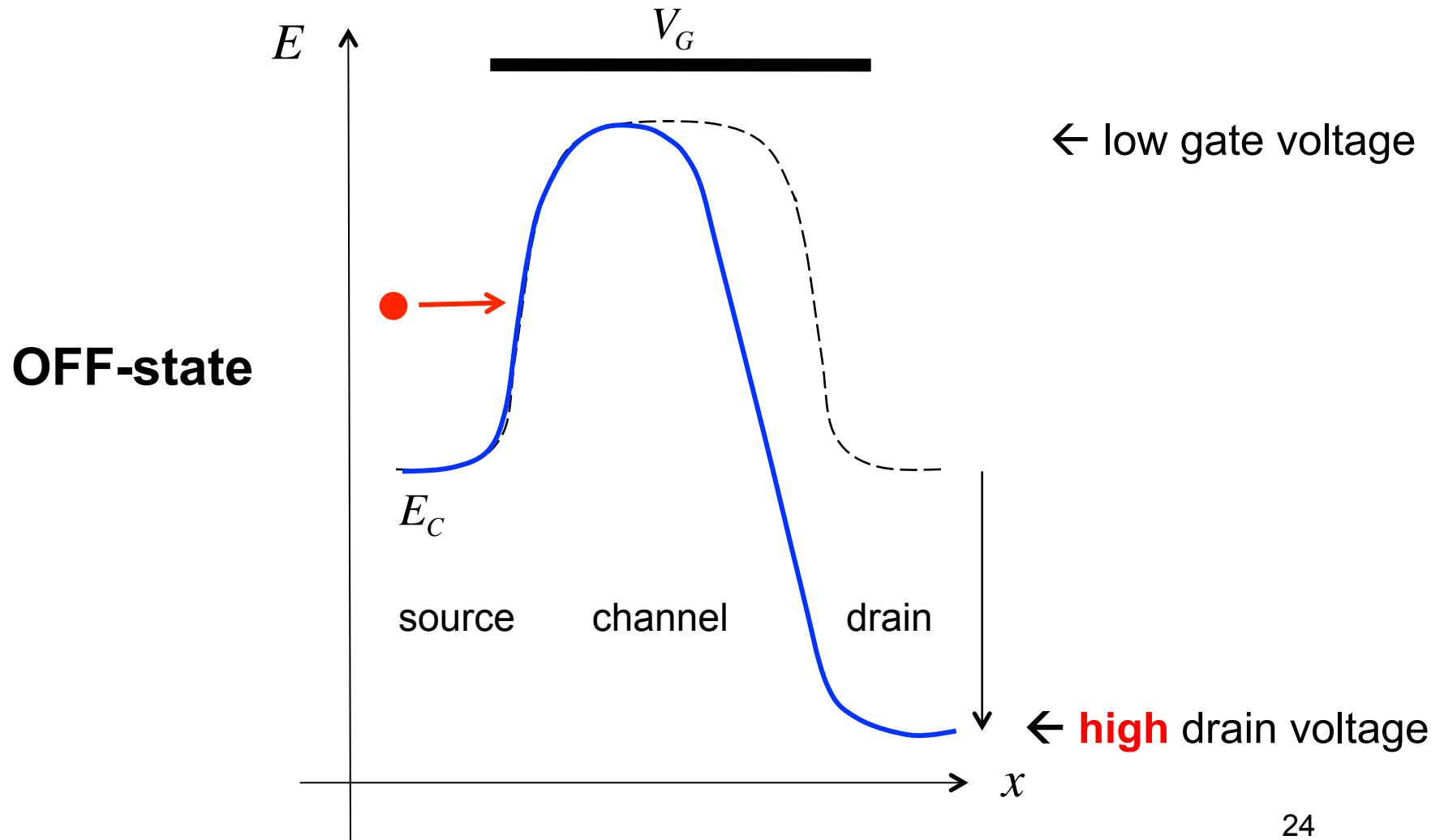
What if we apply a small positive voltage to the drain?

The conduction band in the drain is lowered.

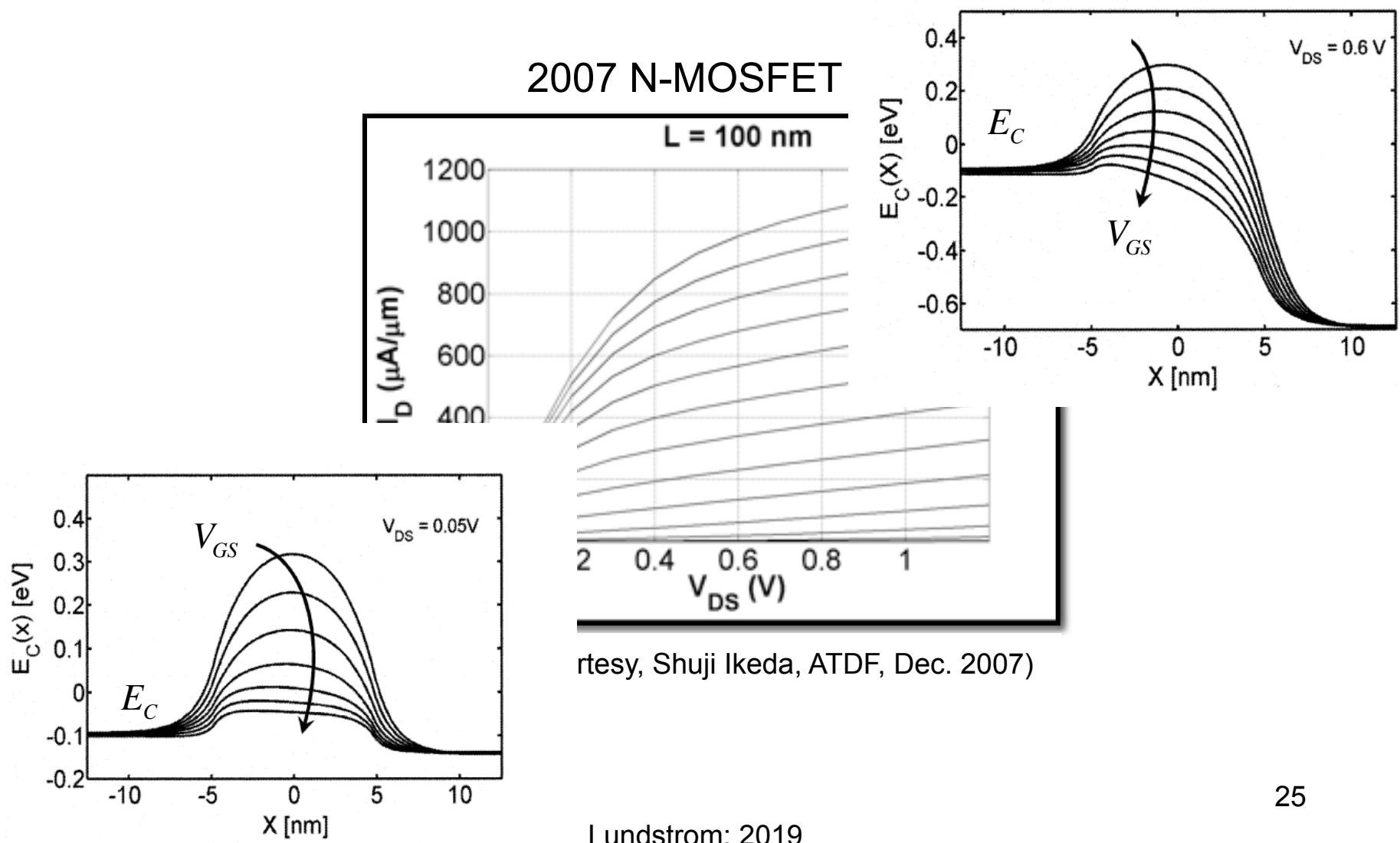
# Now increase the drain voltage



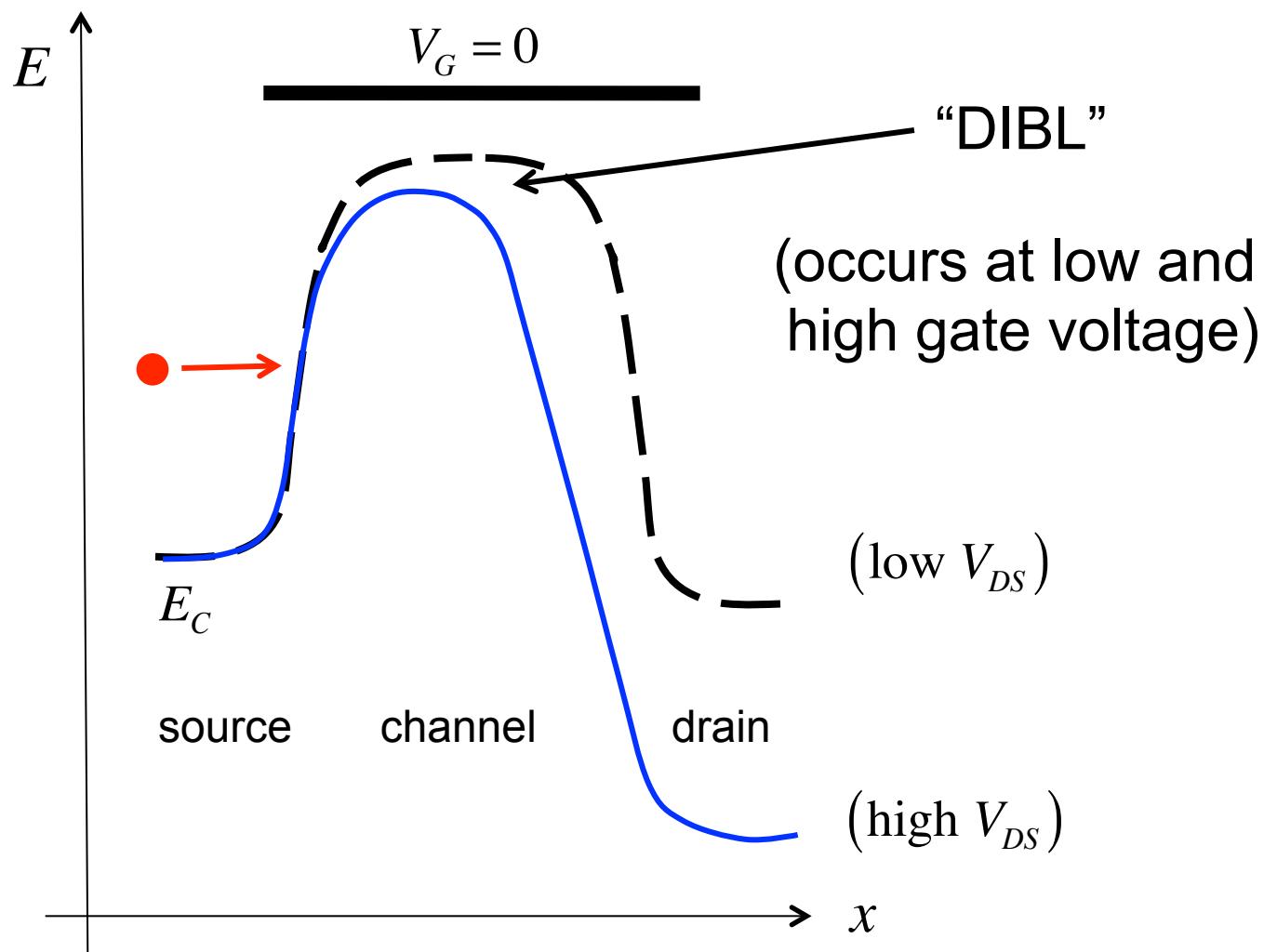
# Now remove the gate voltage



# How MOSFETs work

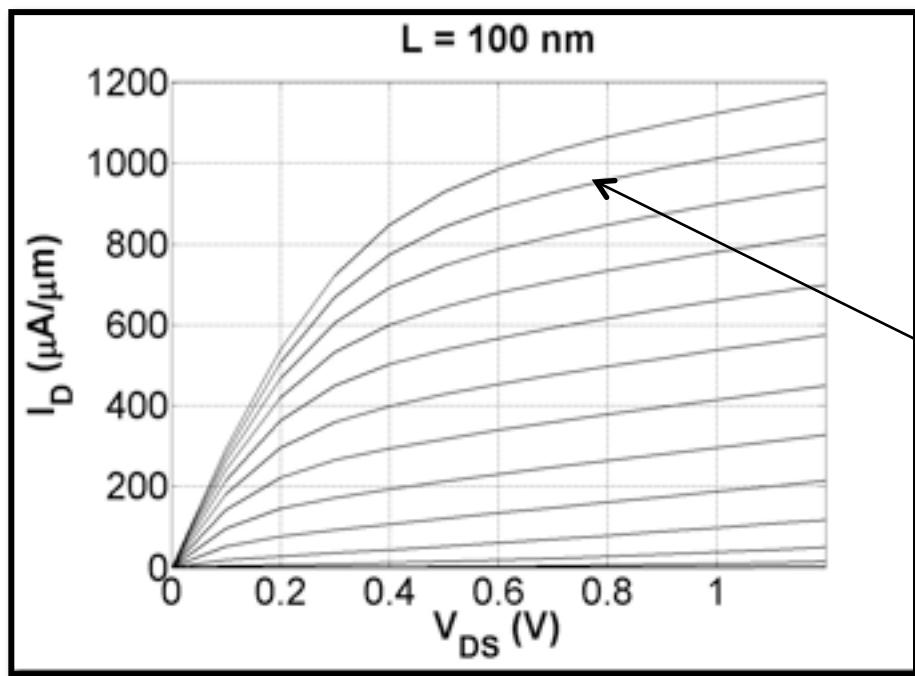


# Effect of drain voltage



# Output conductance

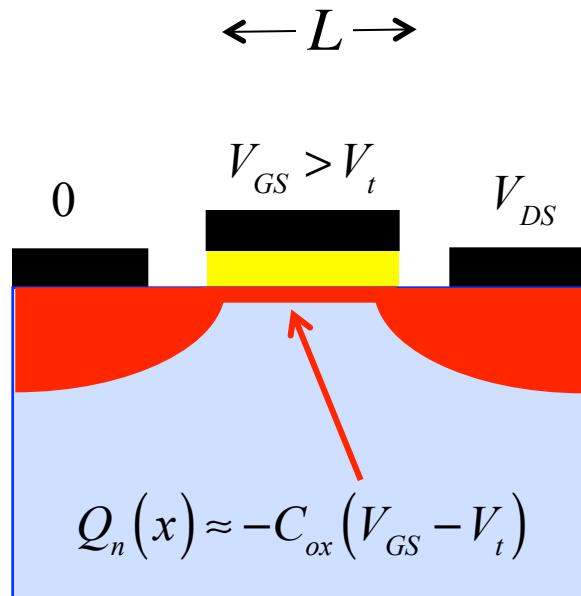
2007 N-MOSFET



DIBL explains the slope  
in the saturation region

(Courtesy, Shuji Ikeda, ATDF, Dec. 2007)

# Mathematical treatment: Small $V_{DS}$



$$Q = CV$$

$$C = \frac{\kappa_{ox} \epsilon_0}{t_{ox}} A = \frac{\epsilon_{ox}}{t_{ox}} A \quad \text{F}$$

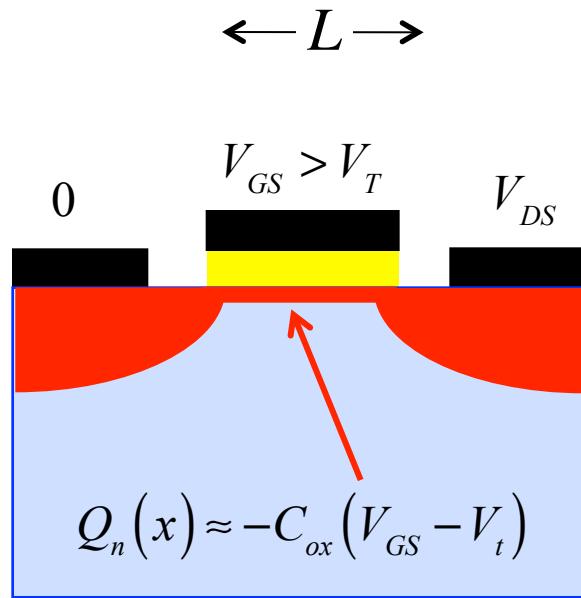
$$C_{ox} = \frac{C}{A} = \frac{\kappa_{ox} \epsilon_0}{t_{ox}} \quad \frac{\text{F}}{\text{cm}^2}$$

$$V_{OV} = (V_{GS} - V_t)$$

$$Q_n(x) \approx -C_{ox}(V_{GS} - V_t) \frac{\text{C}}{\text{cm}^2}$$

Sedra and Smith

# Mathematical treatment: Small $V_{DS}$

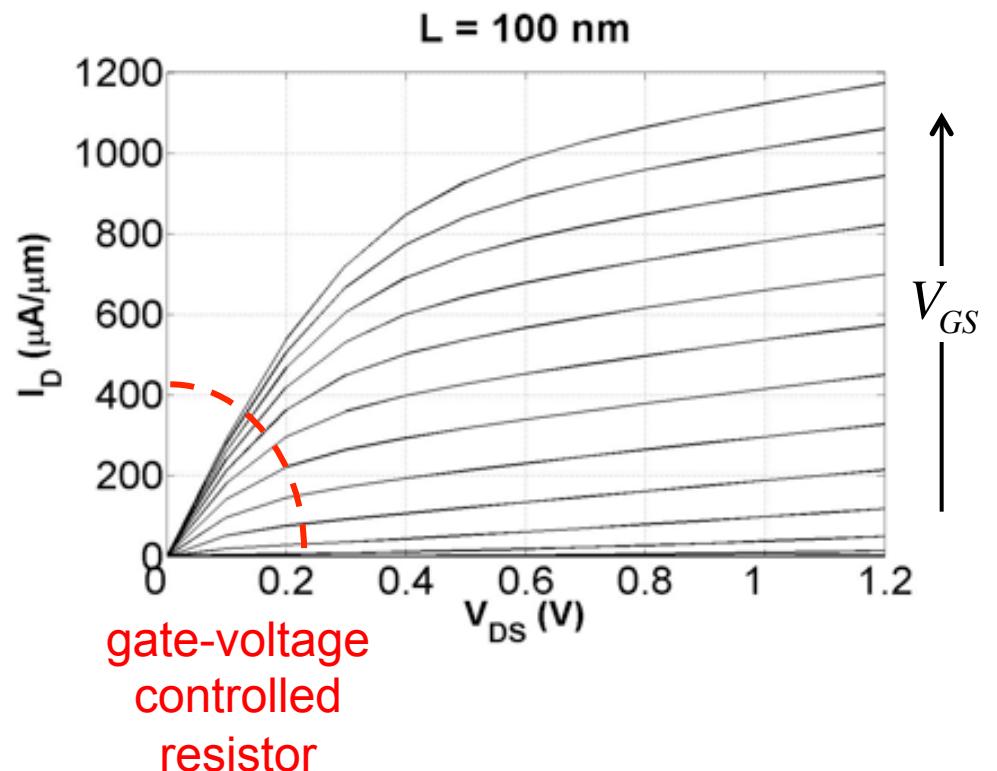


$$I_D = -W Q_n(x) \langle v_x(x) \rangle$$

$$Q_n = -C_{ox} (V_{GS} - V_t)$$

$$\langle v_x(x) \rangle = -\mu_n \mathcal{E}_x$$

$$\mathcal{E}_x = -V_{DS}/L$$



$$I_D = \frac{W}{L} \mu_n C_{ox} (V_{GS} - V_t) V_{DS}$$



# The transconductance parameter

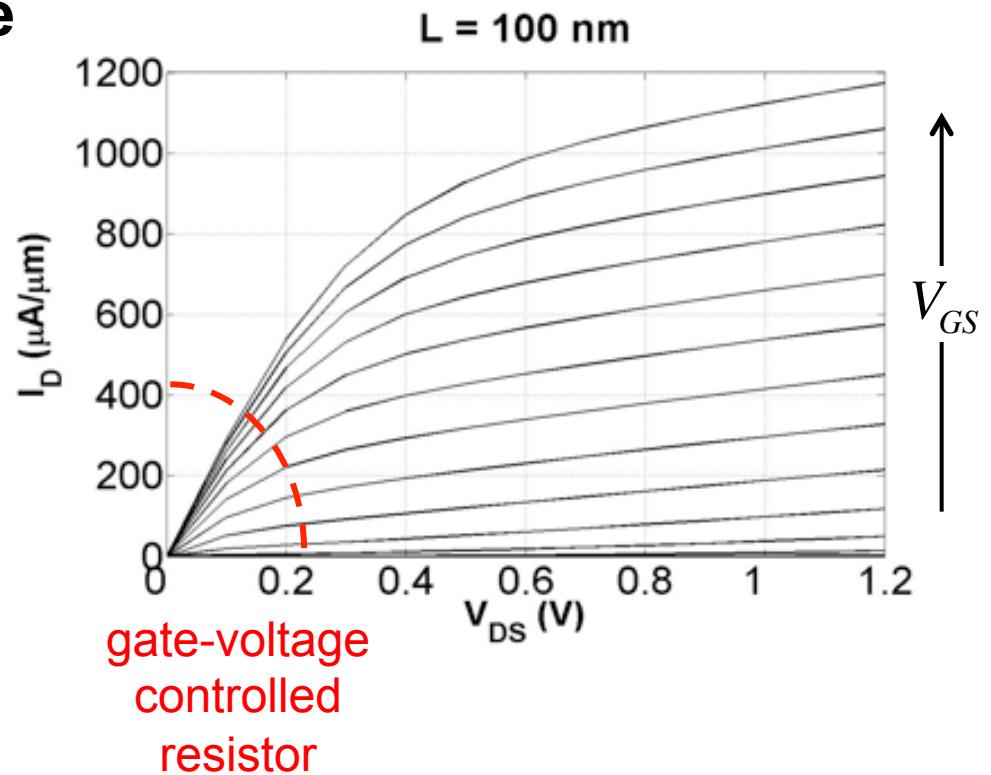
**MOSFET transconductance parameter:**

$$k_n = \frac{W}{L} \mu_n C_{ox}$$

$$k'_n = \mu_n C_{ox}$$

$$k_n = k'_n \frac{W}{L}$$

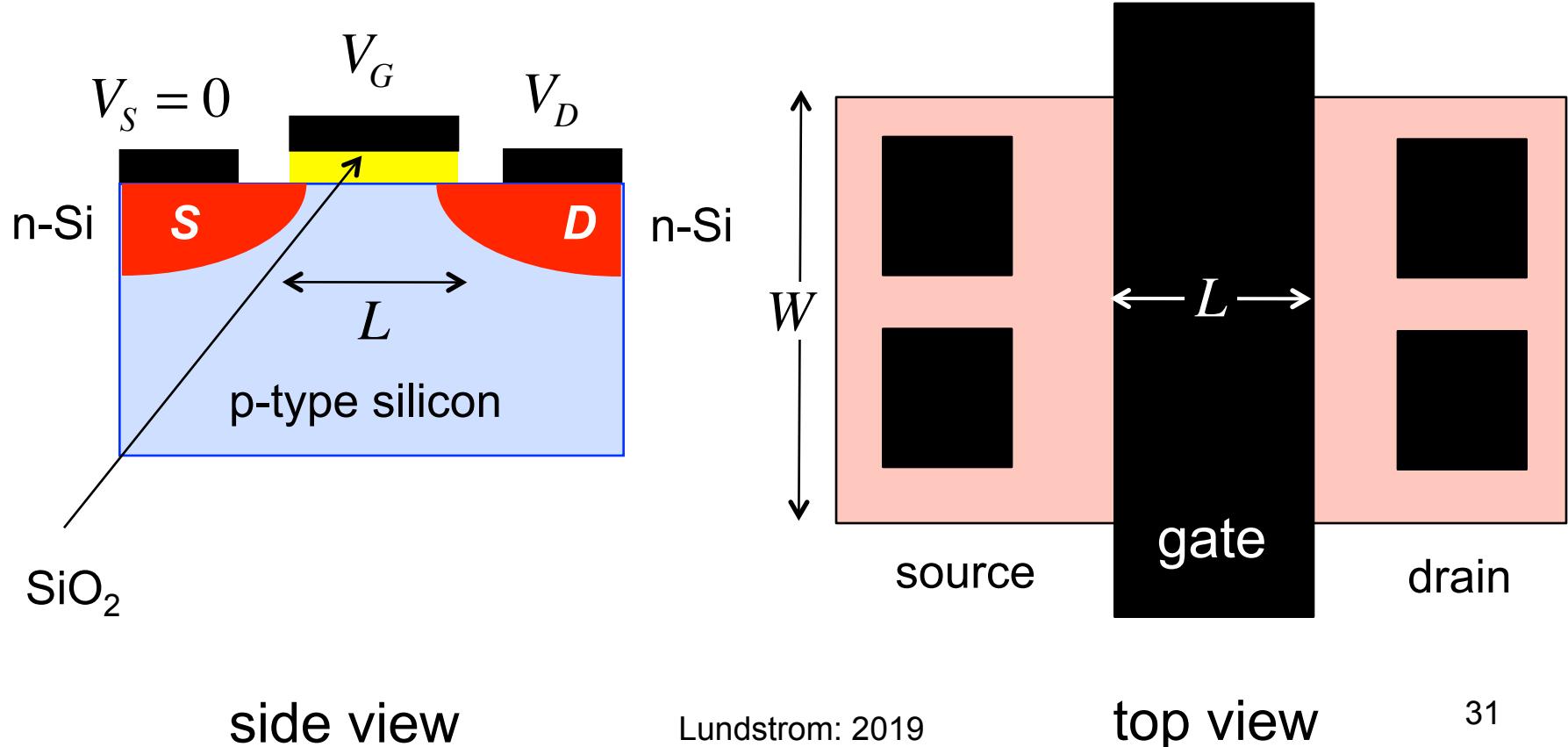
**MOSFET aspect ratio: W/L**



$$I_D = \frac{W}{L} k'_n (V_{GS} - V_t) V_{DS}$$

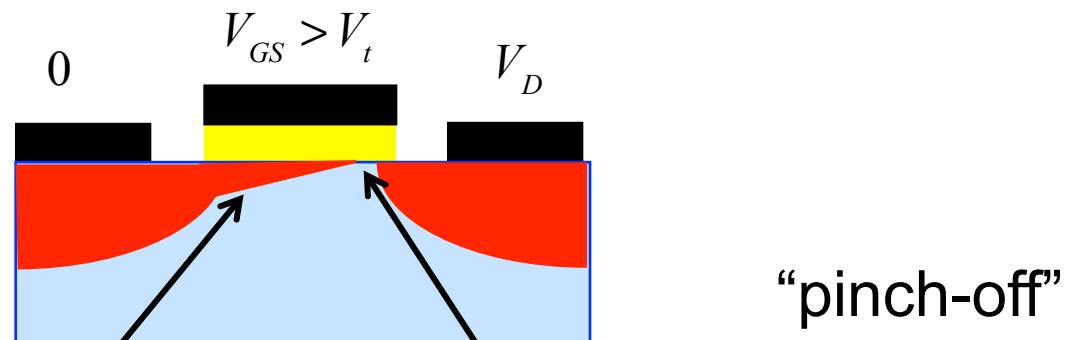
# Aspect ratio

## Metal Oxide Semiconductor Field Effect Transistor



# Mathematical treatment: Large $V_{DS}$

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$$Q_n(x) = -C_{ox}(V_{GS} - V_t - V(x))$$

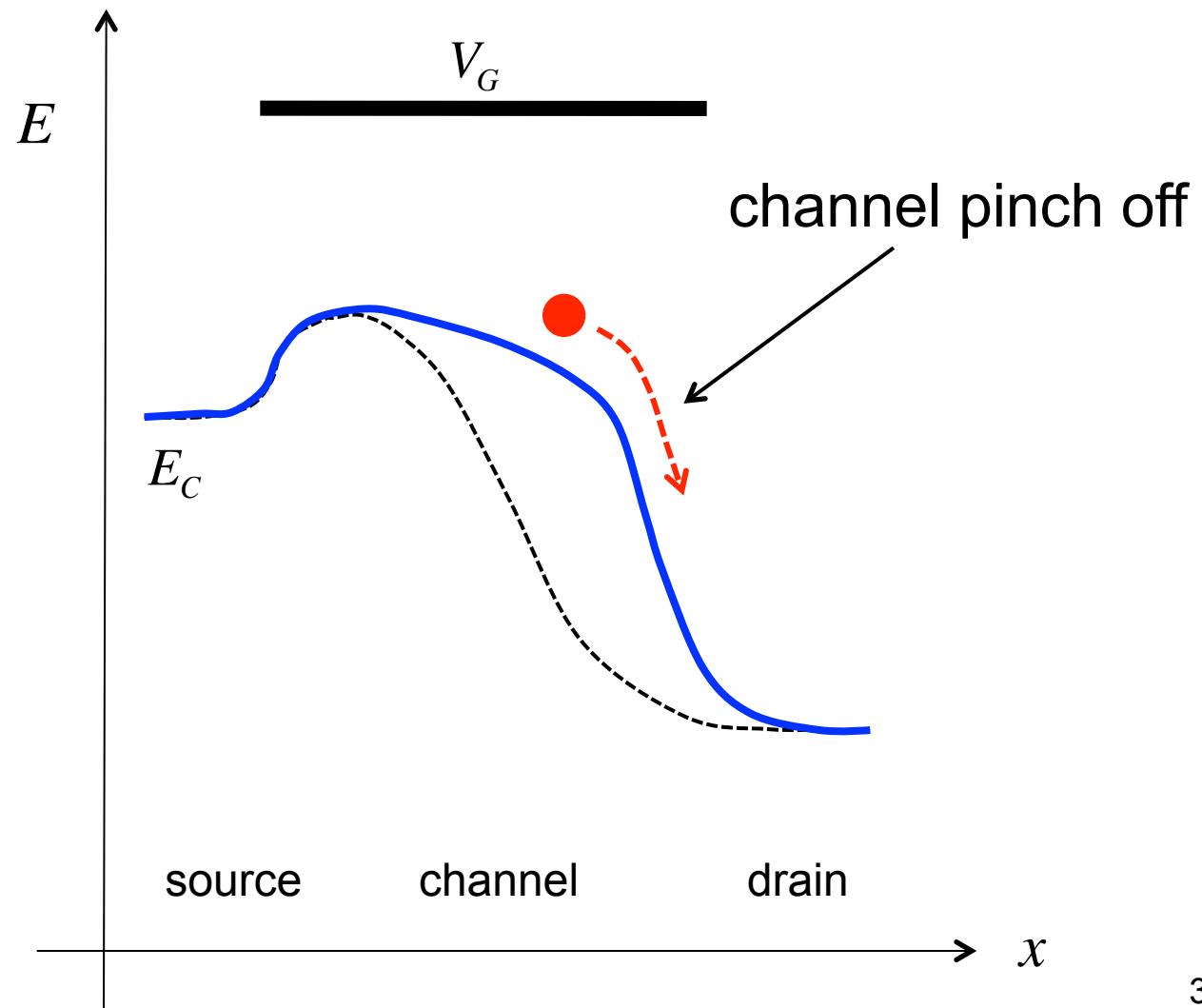
$$0 \leq V(x) \leq V_{GS} - V_t$$

Note: thickness of channel  
illustrates the areal density of  
electrons – not the actual  
thickness.

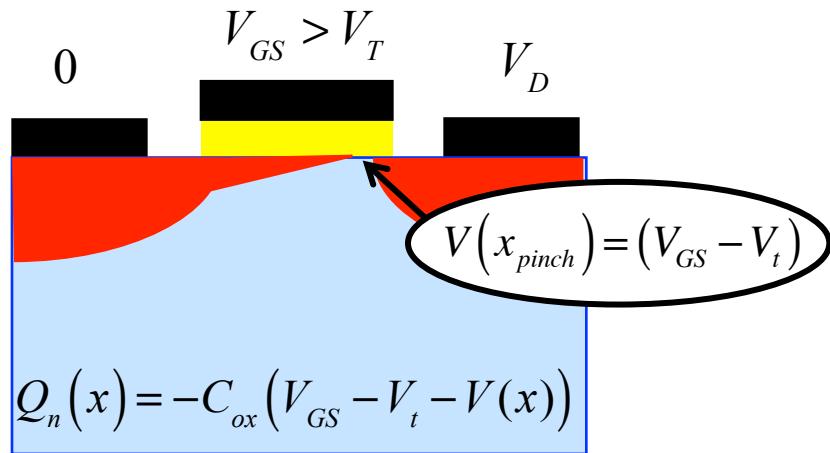
$$V(x_{pinch}) = (V_{GS} - V_t)$$
$$Q_n(x_{pinch}) \approx 0$$

Electric field is very large in  
the pinch-off region.

# “Pinch off” on an energy band diagram



# Square law MOSFET



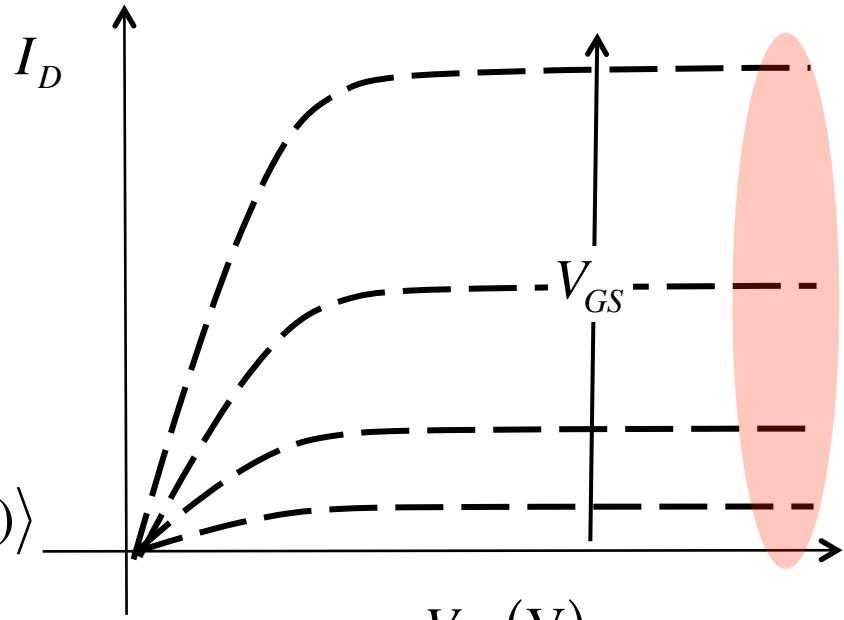
$$I_D = -W Q_n(x) \langle v_x(x) \rangle = W Q_n(0) \langle v_x(0) \rangle$$

$$Q_n(0) = -C_{ox}(V_{GS} - V_t)$$

$$\langle v_x(0) \rangle = -\mu_n \mathcal{E}_x(0)$$

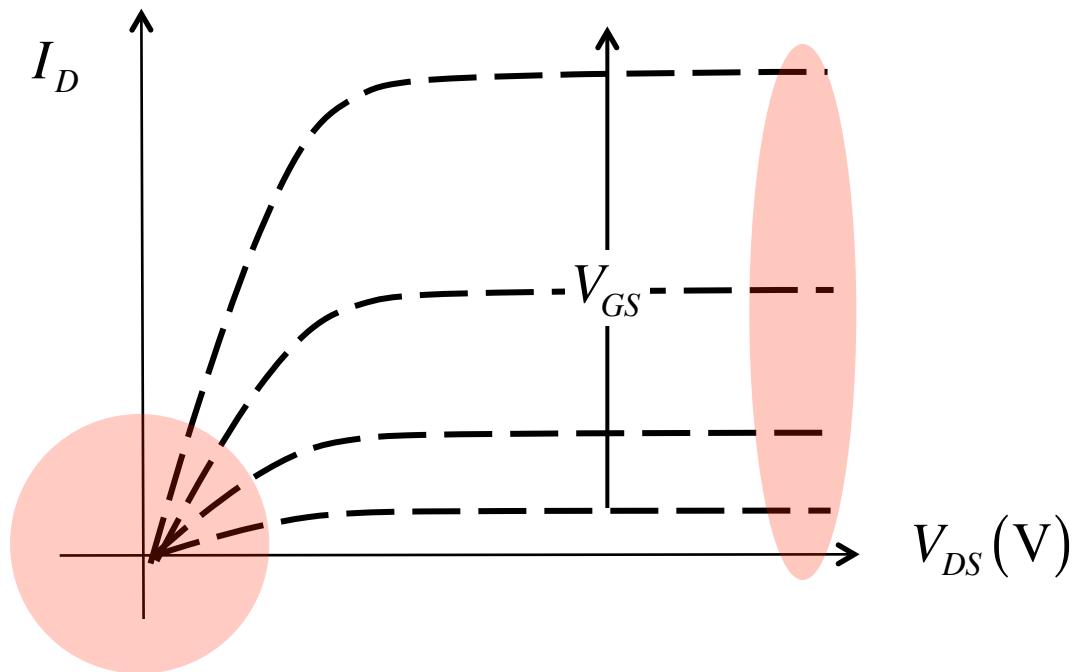
$$\mathcal{E}_x(0) \approx -V(x_{pinch})/L = -(V_{GS} - V_t)/L$$

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$$I_D = \frac{W}{2L} \mu_n C_{ox} (V_{GS} - V_t)^2$$

# Square law MOSFET



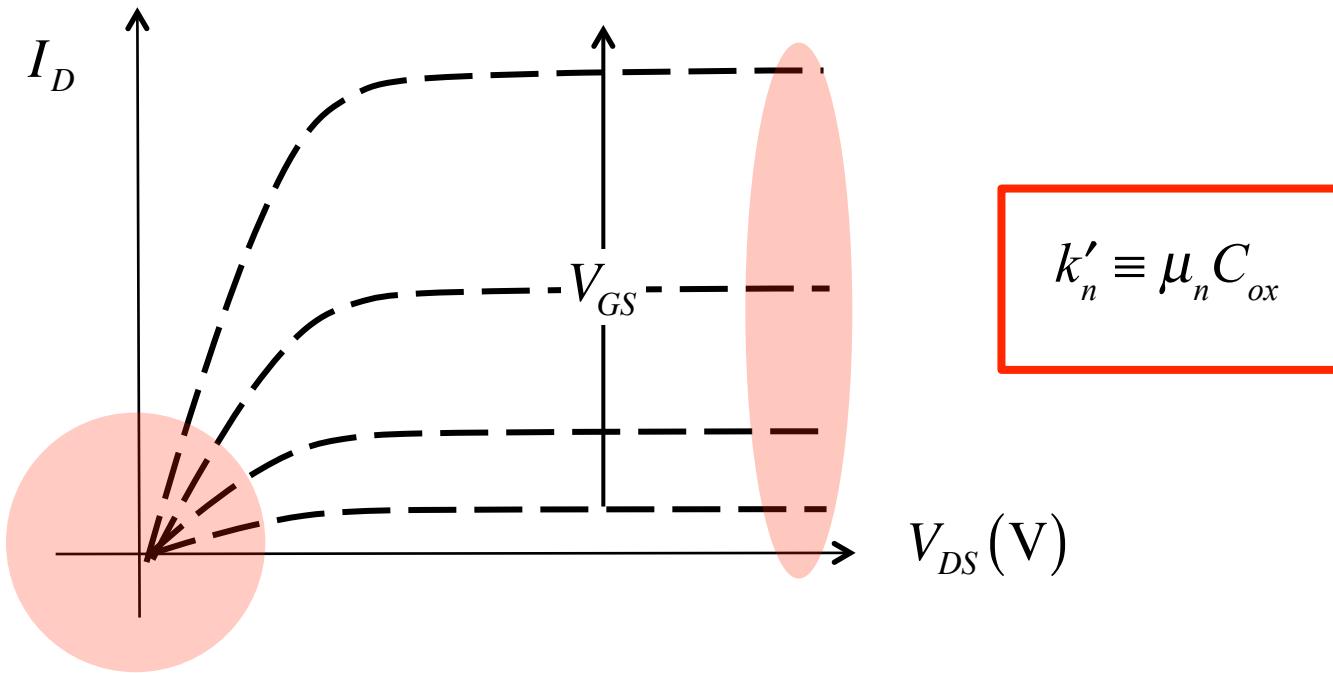
$$I_D = \frac{W}{L} \mu_n C_{ox} (V_{GS} - V_t) V_{DS}$$

$$I_D = \frac{W}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} (V_{GS} - V_t)^2$$

$$V_{GS} > V_t \quad V_{DS} \ll V_{GS} - V_t$$

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# Square law MOSFET (technology constant)



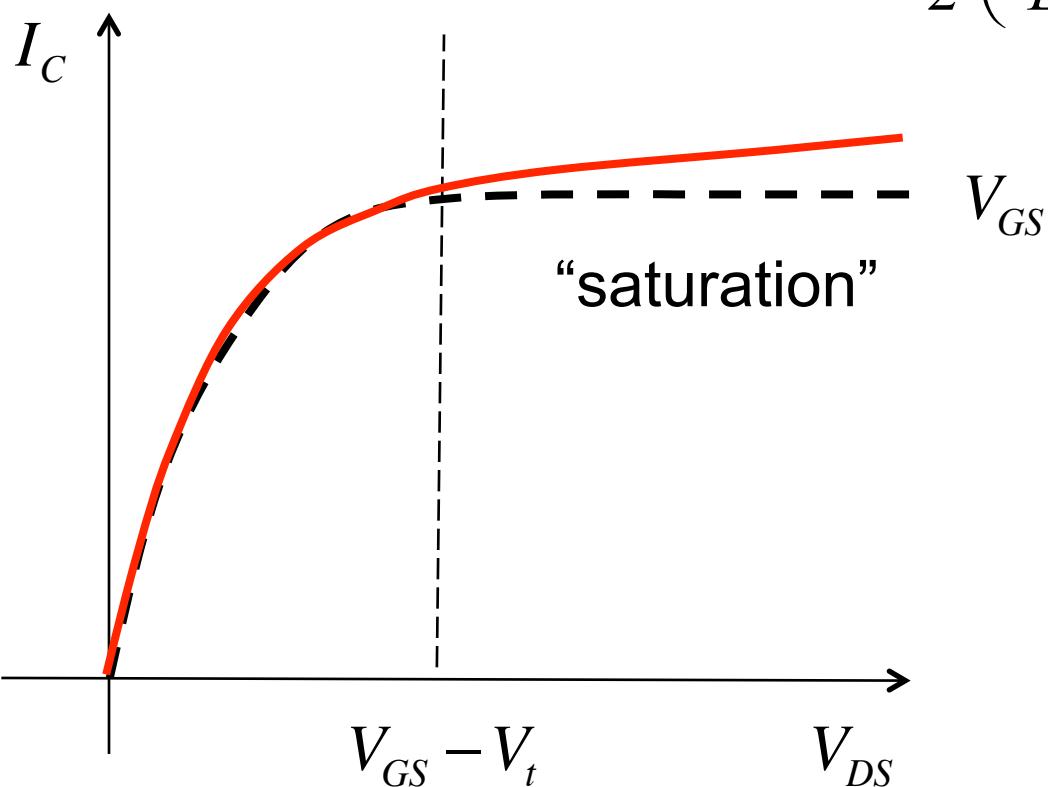
$$I_D = \frac{W}{L} k'_n (V_{GS} - V_t) V_{DS}$$

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$$I_D = \frac{W}{L} \frac{k'_n}{2} (V_{GS} - V_t)^2$$

$$V_{GS} > V_t \quad V_{DS} > V_{GS} - V_t$$

# Output resistance



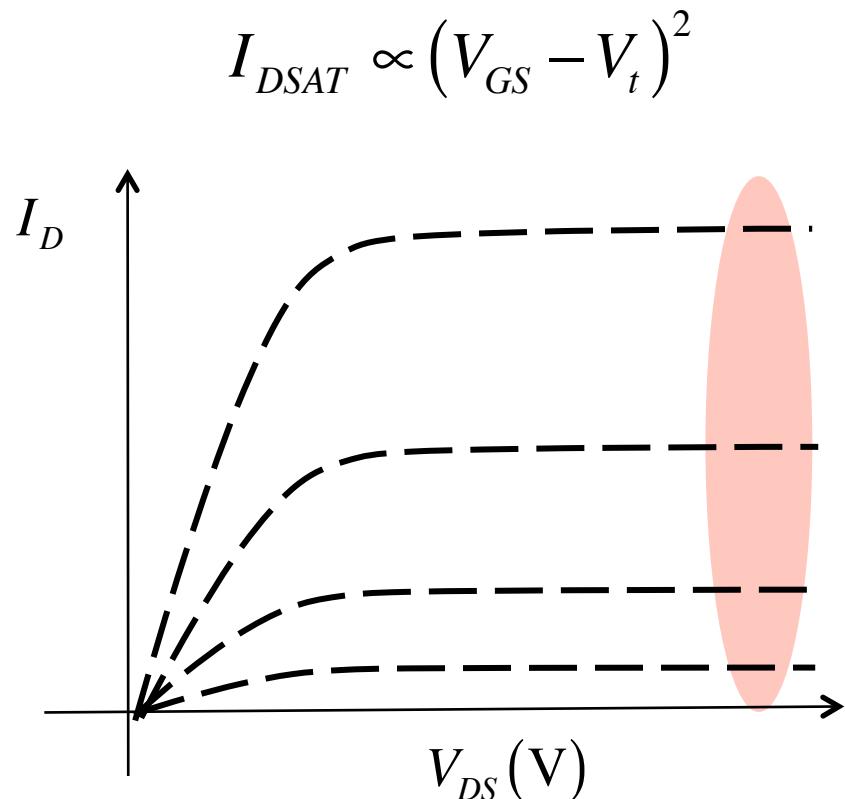
$$I_D = \frac{k'_n}{2} \left( \frac{W}{L} \right) (V_{GS} - V_t)^2 (1 + \lambda V_{DS})$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{V_A}$$

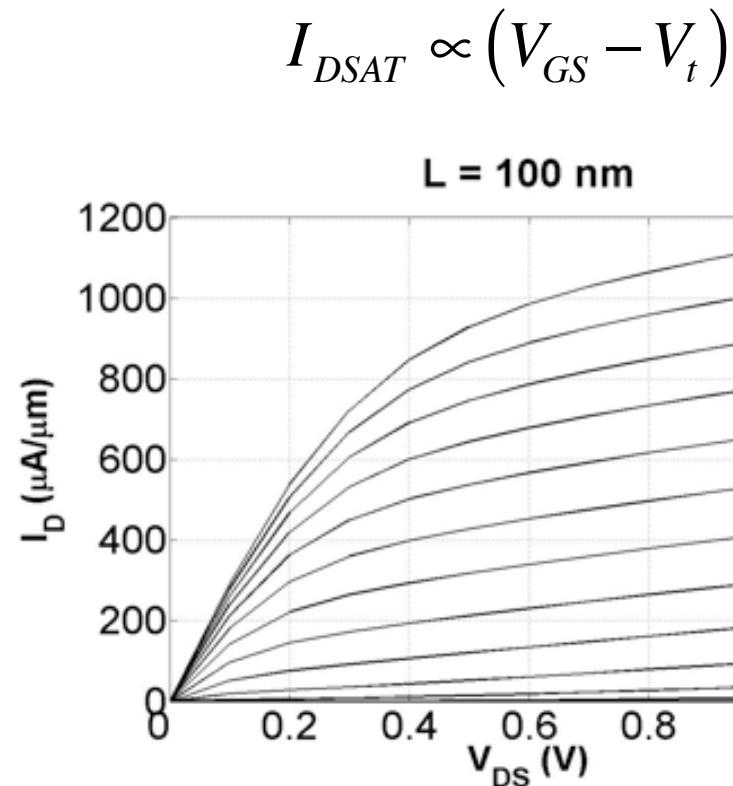
Like the Early voltage for a BJT.

# Long vs. Short Channel MOSFETs

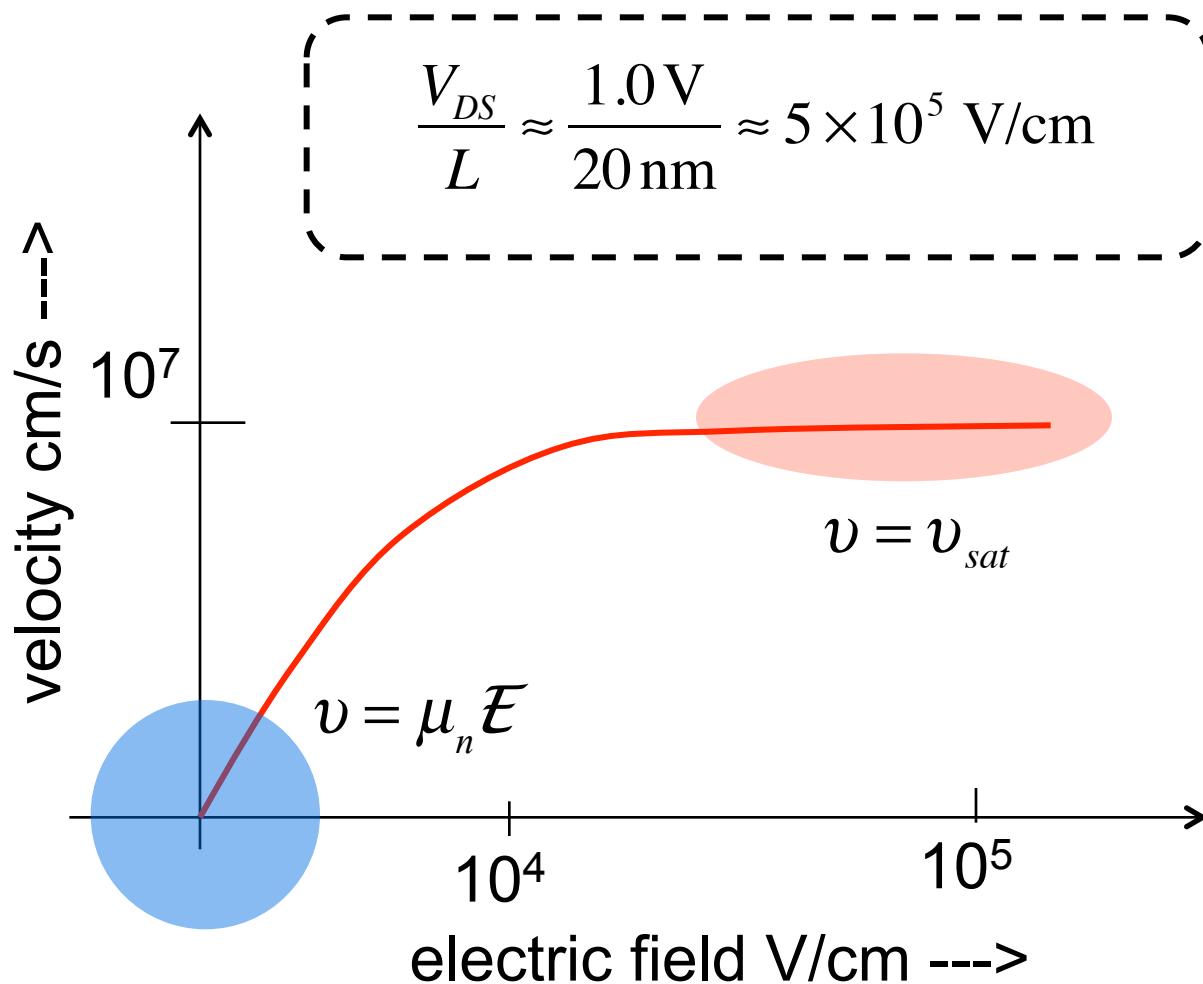
Square Law



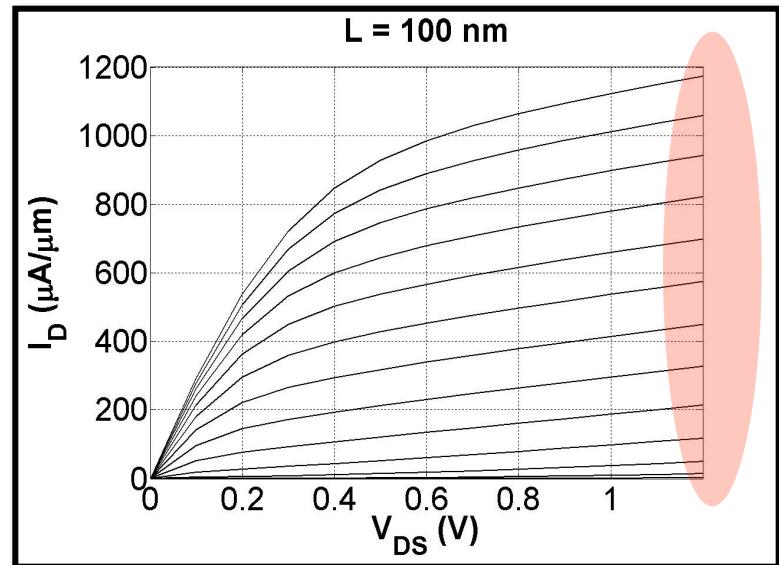
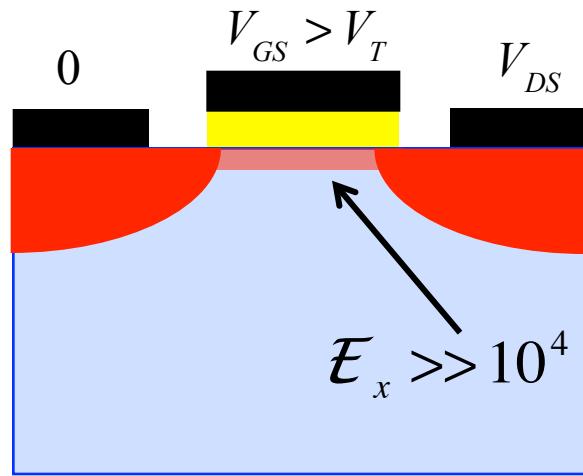
“Velocity saturated”



# High $V_{DS}$ : Velocity saturation



# MOSFET IV: velocity saturation



$$I_D = -W Q_n(x) \langle v_x(x) \rangle$$

(Courtesy, Shuji Ikeda, ATDF, Dec. 2007)

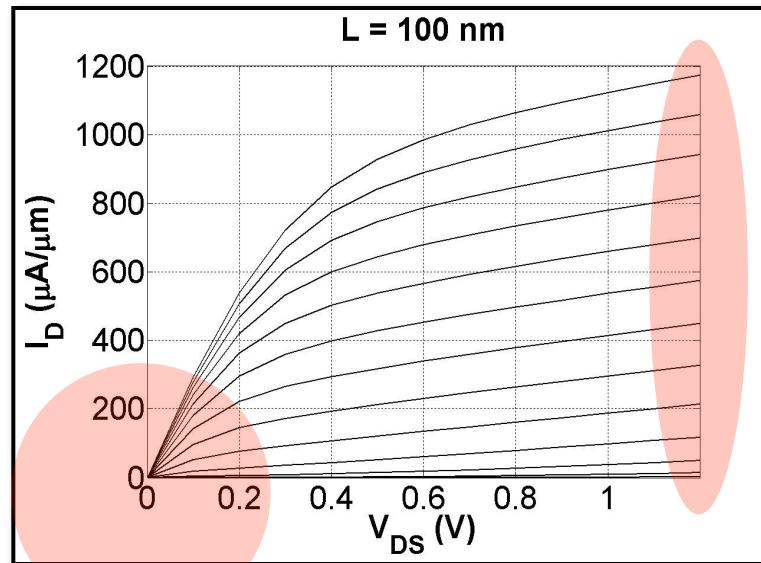
$$Q_n = -C_{ox} (V_{GS} - V_t)$$

$$\langle v_x \rangle = v_{sat}$$

$$I_D = W C_{ox} v_{sat} (V_{GS} - V_t)$$



# The velocity saturated MOSFET



(Courtesy, Shuji Ikeda, ATDF, Dec. 2007)

$$I_D = \frac{W}{L} \mu_n C_{ox} (V_{GS} - V_t) V_{DS}$$

$$V_{GS} > V_t \quad V_{DS} \ll V_{GS} - V_t$$

$$I_D = W C_{ox} v_{sat} (V_{GS} - V_t)$$

$$V_{GS} > V_t \quad V_{DS} > V_{GS} - V_t$$

# Summary

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A MOSFET is a barrier controlled transistor (just like a BJT).

MOSFETs come in two flavors – N-channel (NPN) and P-channel (PNP).

In the **saturation region**, the gate to source voltage is greater than the **threshold voltage**, and the drain voltage is greater than the **drain saturation voltage**.

In the **linear region**, the gate to source voltage is greater than the **threshold voltage**, and the drain voltage is **much less than** the drain saturation voltage.

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