

Last Lecture → MOS

- Two external voltage sources are required for biasing
- Three operation modes:

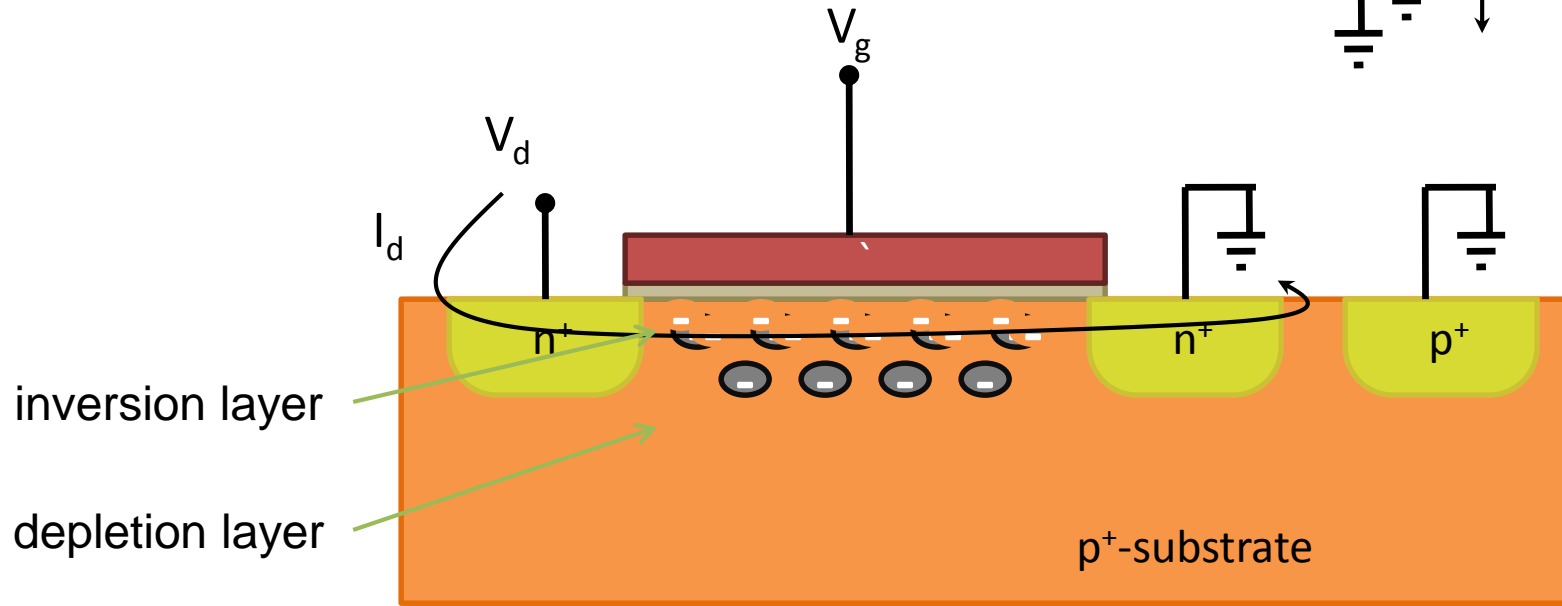
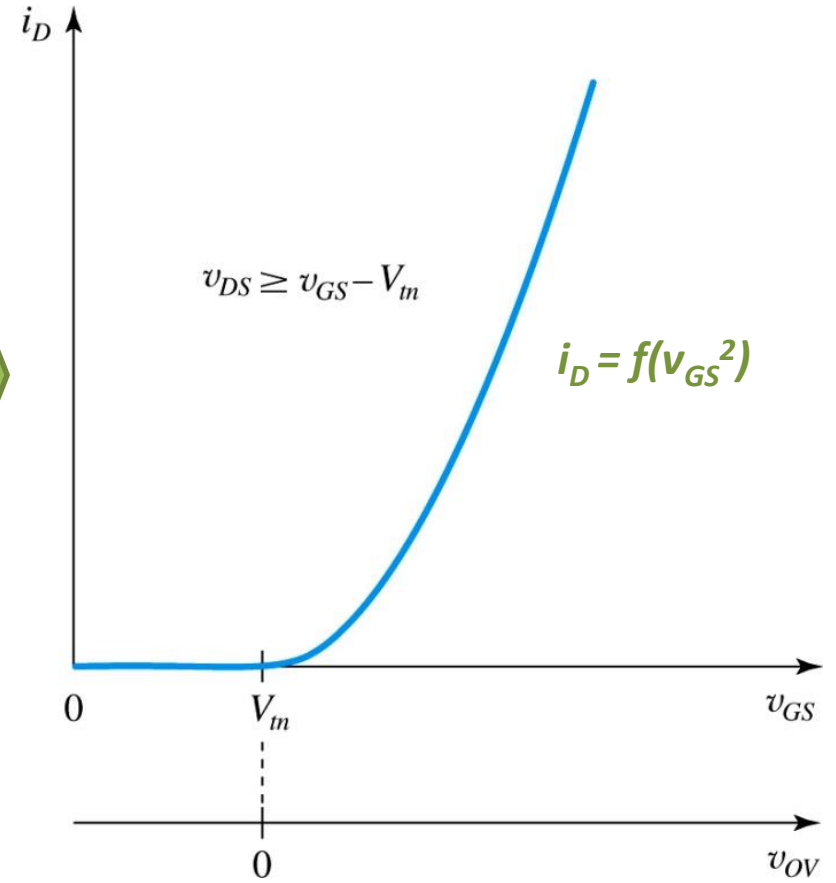
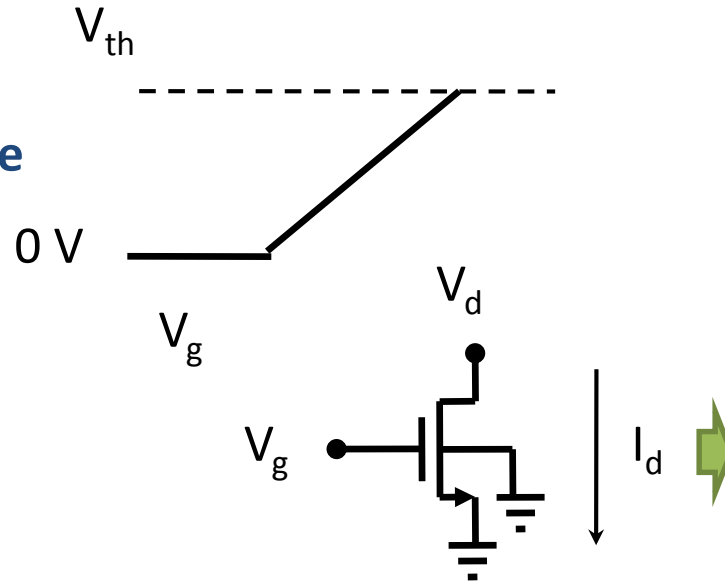
1) Cut-Off

used for switching!

2) Ohmic

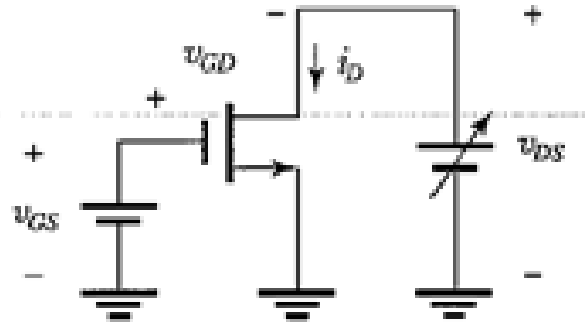
3) Saturation

used for amplification!



nMOS Operation → Saturation

- $V_{GS} > V_{th}$
- $V_{DS} > V_{GS} - V_{th} = V_{ov}$
- $i_G = 0$



Channel Length Modulation Parameter [1/V]

$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} K_n \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{th})^2 (1 + \lambda V_{DS})$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{2} k_n' \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{th})^2$$

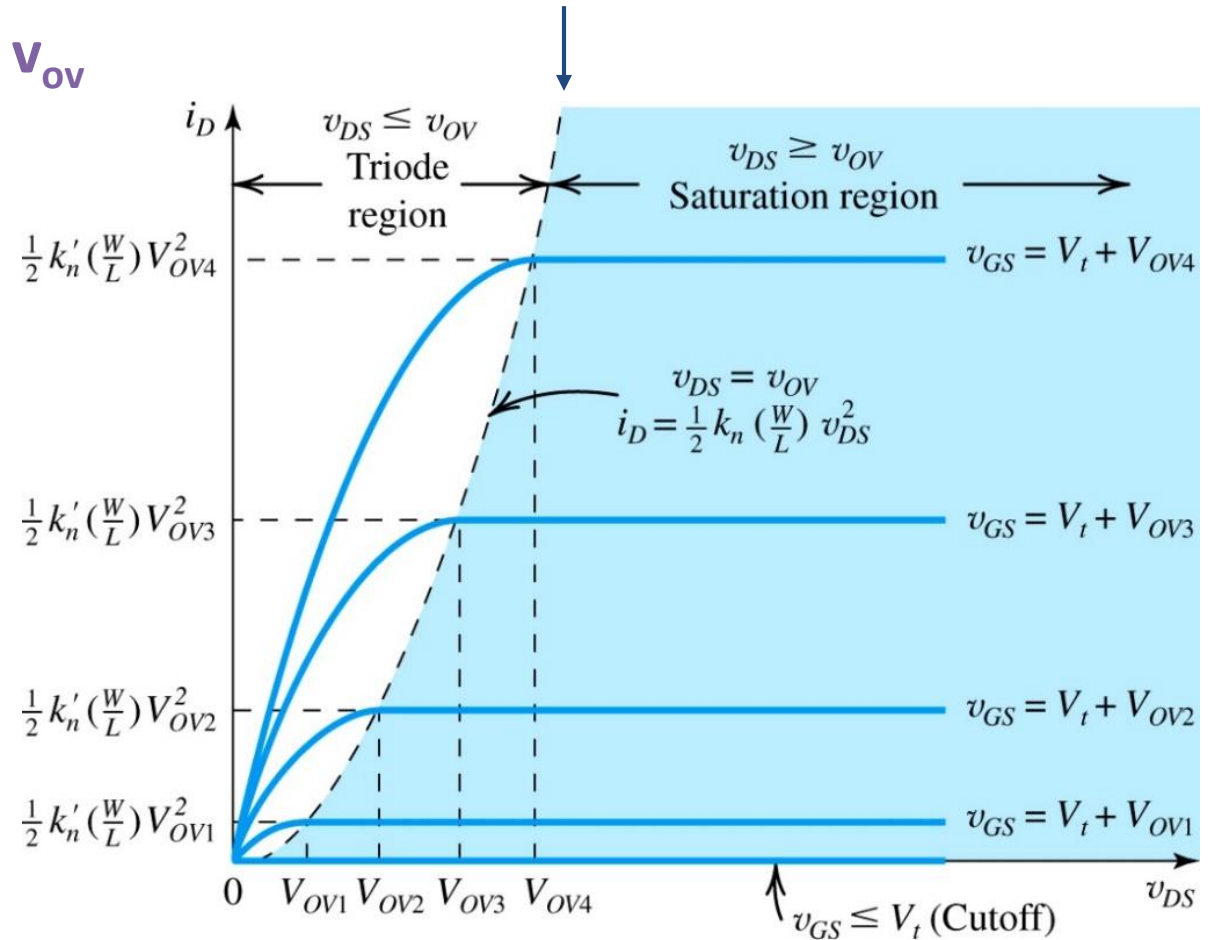
Transconductance Parameter [A/V²]

$$k_n' = \mu_n C_{ox}$$

Over-drive Voltage

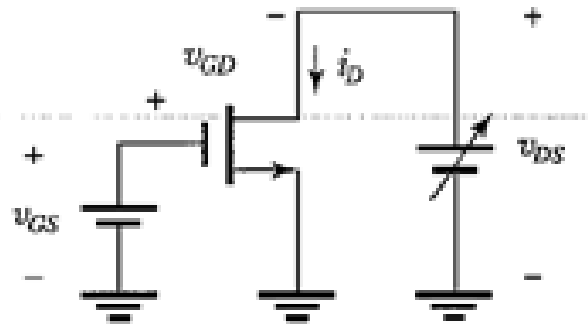
$$V_{ov} = V_{GS} - V_{th}$$

$$i_D = f(v_{GS}, v_{DS})$$



nMOS Operation → Ohmic

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- $V_{DS} < V_{GS} - V_{th} = V_{ov}$
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$$I_D = k_n' \frac{W}{L} \left[(V_{GS} - V_{th})(V_{DS}) - \frac{1}{2} V_{DS}^2 \right]$$

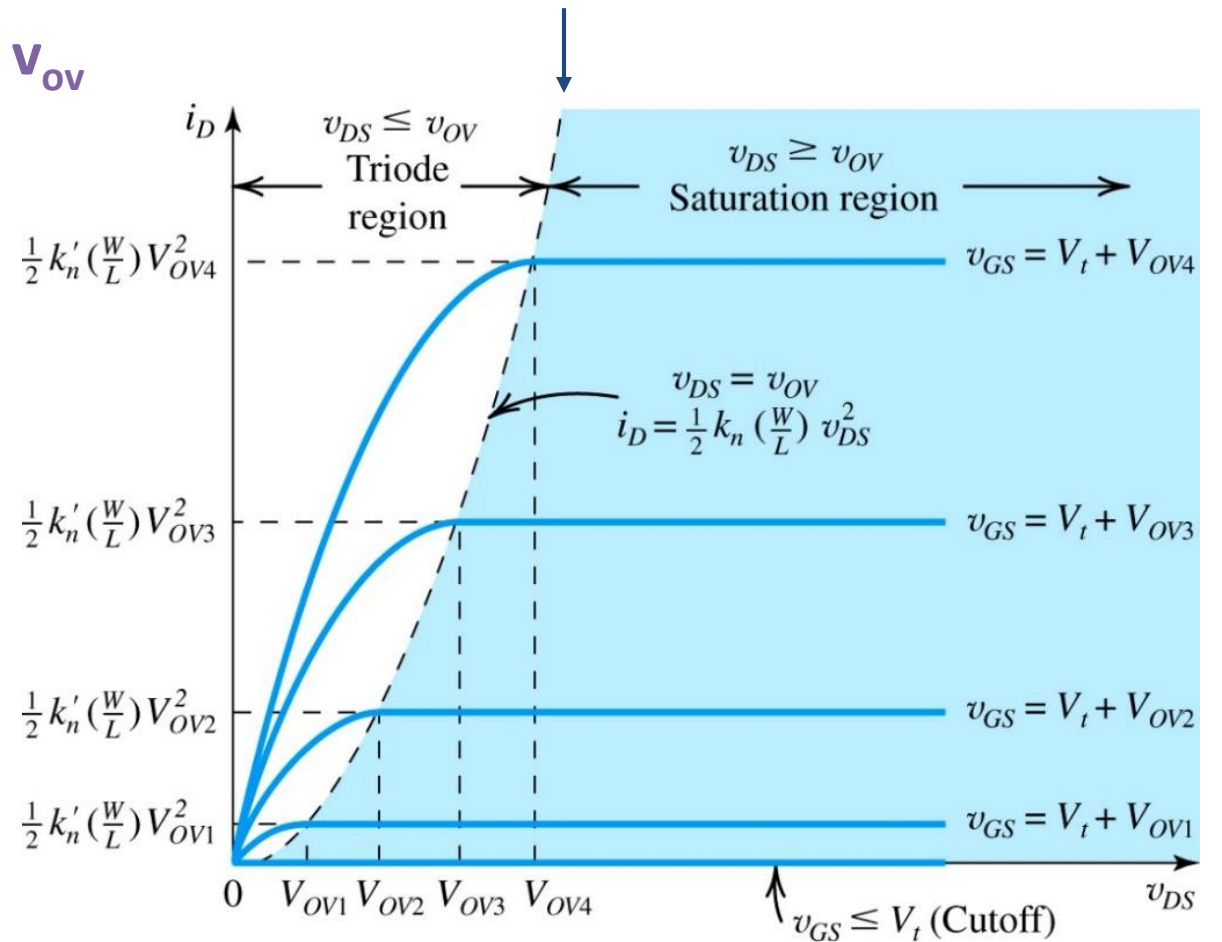
$$\approx k_n' \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{th}) \cdot V_{DS}$$

$$r_{ds} = \frac{1}{k_n' \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_{th})}$$

Over-drive Voltage

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Example 5.2

Consider an nMOS transistor fabricated in a $0.18\mu\text{m}$ process with $L=0.18\mu\text{m}$ and $W=2\mu\text{m}$. The process technology is specified to have $C_{\text{ox}}=8.6\text{fF}/\mu\text{m}^2$, $\mu_n=450\text{cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s}$, and $V_{\text{th}}=0.5\text{V}$.

- Find V_{GS} and V_{DS} that result in the MOSFET operating at the edge of saturation with $I_{\text{D}}=100\mu\text{A}$.
- If V_{GS} is kept constant, find V_{DS} that results in $I_{\text{D}}=50\mu\text{A}$.
- To investigate the use of the MOSFET as a linear amplifier, let it be operating in saturation with $V_{\text{DS}}=0.3\text{V}$. Find the change in i_{D} resulting from v_{GS} changing from 0.7V by $+0.01\text{V}$ and by -0.01V .

- $K_n=4.3\text{mA}$
 - $\rightarrow V_{\text{ov}}=V(2\cdot I_{\text{D}}/K_n)=0.22\text{mV}$
 - $\rightarrow V_{\text{DS}}=V_{\text{ov}}=0.22\text{mV}$
 - $\rightarrow V_{\text{GS}}=V_{\text{th}}+V_{\text{ov}}=0.72\text{mV}$.

Exercise 5.5

An n-channel MOSFET operating with $V_{ov}=0.5V$ exhibits a linear resistance $r_{DS}=1k\Omega$ when v_{DS} is very small.

- What is the value of the device trans-conductance parameter K_n ?
- Assuming $\lambda = 0$, what is the value of the current I_D obtained when v_{DS} is increased to 0.5V? And to 1V?
- Assuming an $\lambda = 0.1V^{-1}$, what is the value of the current I_D obtained when v_{DS} is increased to 0.5V? And to 1V?