

# Field-Effect Transistors

⇒ Amplifiers & logic switches

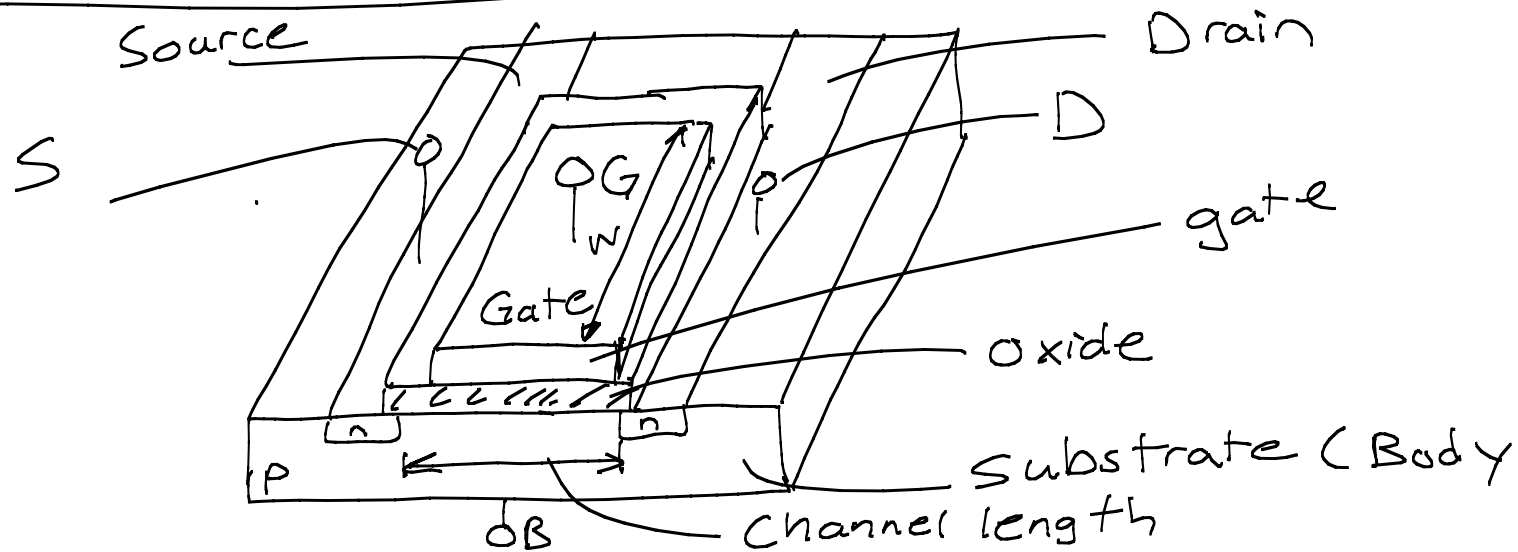
## Main Types

⇒ Enhancement mode Metal-Oxide Semiconductor Field-Effect Transistor (MOSFET)

⇒ Depletion mode MOSFET

⇒ Junction Field-Effect Transistor (JFET)

## n-channel Enhancement Mode MOSFET

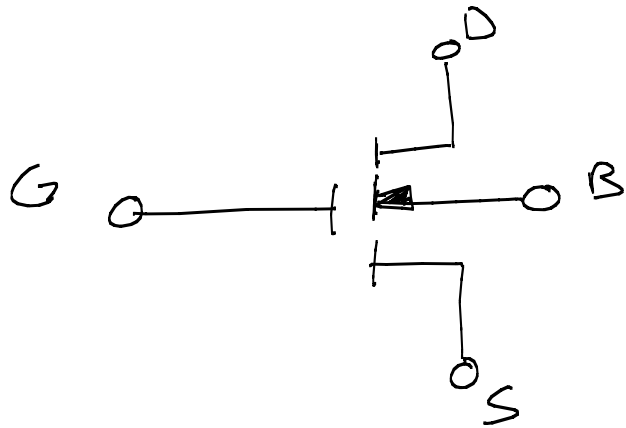


## Terminals

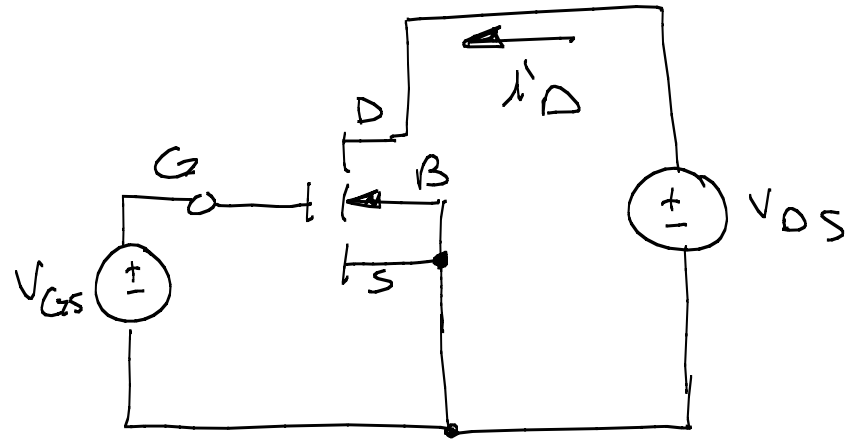
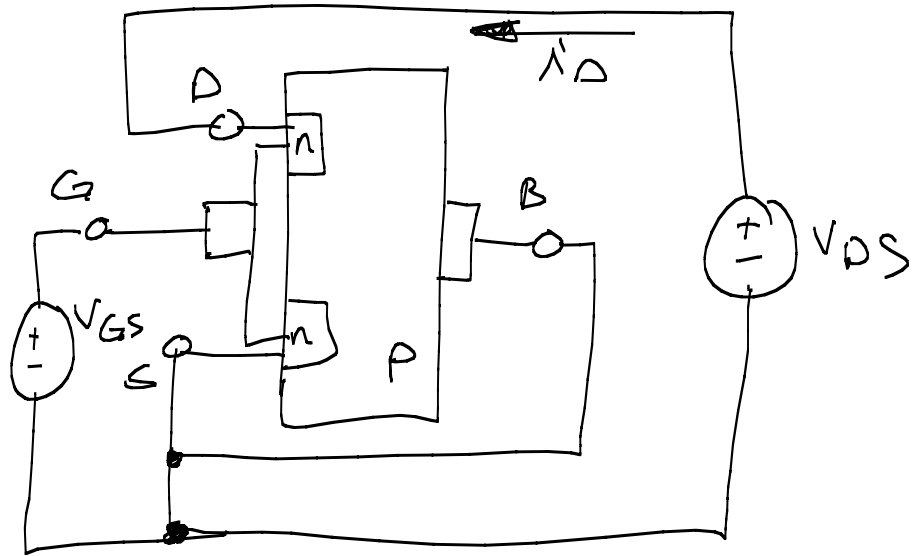
Source (S)  
Gate (G)  
Drain (D)  
Body (B)

Channel Length  $\Rightarrow$  0.2 to 10  $\mu\text{m}$   
Width (W)  $\Rightarrow$  0.05 to 0.1  $\mu\text{m}$   
Oxide  $\Rightarrow$  Silicon dioxide  
Gate  $\Rightarrow$  Use to be Aluminum  
Now polysilicon

## Circuit Symbol



## Operation in the Cutoff Region



pn-junctions  $\Rightarrow$  Drain-Body, Source-Body

$V_{DS} \Rightarrow$  Causes the Drain-Body to go into Reverse Bias  $\Rightarrow i_D = 0$  (Cutoff Region)

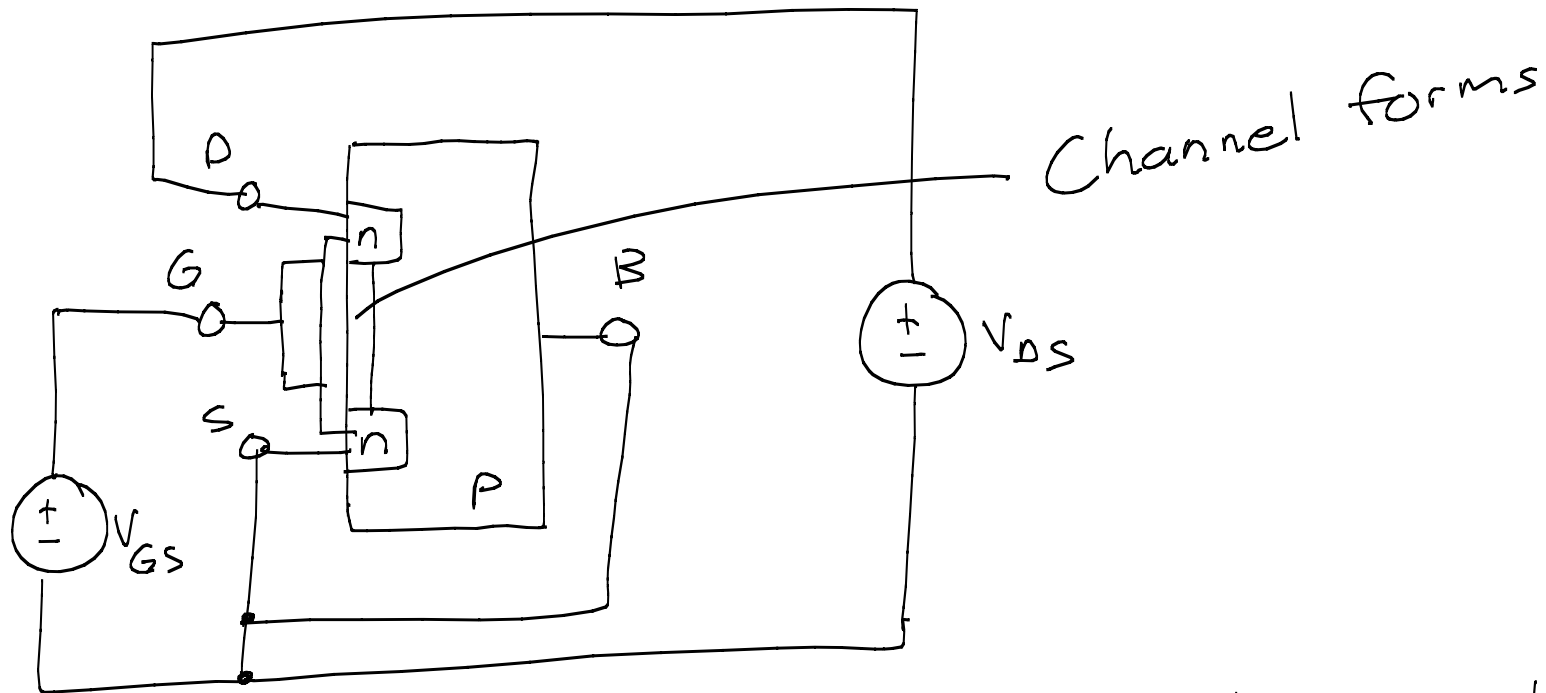
The device will remain in cutoff until  $V_{GS}$  reaches a voltage called the threshold voltage,

$V_{to}$

$$i_D = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad V_{GS} \leq V_{to} \quad \boxed{\text{Cutoff}}$$

# Triode Region

$V_{GS}$  exceeds the threshold voltage



As  $V_{GS}$  increases  $\Rightarrow$  Electric Field  $\Rightarrow$  n-type channel is formed between the drain and the source  
 $\Rightarrow$  Current Flows into the drain, and out the source

$\Rightarrow$  Related the excess gate voltage

$$\Rightarrow V_{GS} - V_{to}$$

$\Rightarrow$  As  $V_{DS}$  increases,  $i_D$  increases more slowly  
 $\Rightarrow$  Channel "pinches" down on the drain end



Triode Region

$$V_{GS} > V_{to}$$

$$V_{DS} < V_{GS} - V_{to}$$

$$i_D = K \left[ 2(V_{GS} - V_{to})V_{DS} - V_{DS}^2 \right]$$

$$K = \left(\frac{W}{L}\right) \frac{K_P}{2}$$

$W$  = width of the gate

$L$  = Channel length

$$K_P = \mu_n C_{ox}$$

$\mu_n$  = surface mobility

$C_{ox} \Rightarrow$  Capacitance of the gate per unit area

For n-channel enhancement device

$$K_P = 50 \mu A/V^2$$

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Saturation Region

Channel goes to zero at the drain end

$V_{DS} \Rightarrow$  Increases  $\Rightarrow I_D$  is constant

$$V_{GS} > V_{to} \quad V_{DS} \geq V_{GS} - V_{to}$$

$$i_D = K (V_{GS} - V_{to})^2$$