# Simplified All-Region Models



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# Linearizing the Depletion Region Charge

The "complete" all-region model of 4 terminal MOS is very accurate, but is too complicated for some applications such as  $\underline{Q'_B}$ 

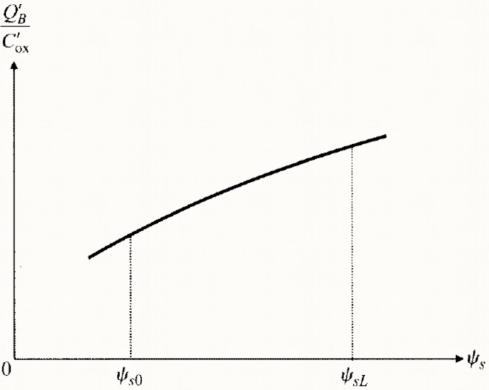
It is clear from the development presented that the origin of these terms is the square root in the expression for  $Q'_B$  in following equation:

$$Q'_B = -\gamma C'_{ox} \sqrt{\psi_s}$$

This equation is plotted in following figure

Since the slope of the plot in following figure does not vary much, it is reasonable to attempt to approximate it with first two terms of Taylor expansion around a convenient expansion point such as  $\psi_{se}$ 

$$-\frac{Q'_B}{C'_{ox}} = \gamma \sqrt{\psi_{se}} + \frac{\gamma}{2\sqrt{\psi_{se}}}(\psi_s - \psi_{se})$$





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# Linearizing ...

•Defining  $\alpha$ 

$$\alpha = 1 + \frac{\gamma}{2\sqrt{\psi_{se}}}$$
$$-\frac{Q'_B}{C'_{ox}} = \gamma \sqrt{\psi_{se}} + (\alpha - 1)(\psi_s - \psi_{se})$$

Now from our <u>past equations</u>

$$\int_{\psi_{s0}}^{\psi_{sL}} (Q'_B) d\psi_S(x) = -C'_{ox} \left[ \gamma \sqrt{\psi_{se}} + (\alpha - 1)(\psi_{se} - \frac{\psi_{s0} + \psi_{sL}}{2}) \right] (\psi_{sL} - \psi_{s0})$$
$$Q'_B(\psi_{sL}) - Q'_B(\psi_{s0}) = -C'_{ox}(\alpha - 1)(\psi_{sL} - \psi_{s0})$$

Subsequently:

$$I_{DS1} = \frac{W}{L} \mu C'_{ox} \left[ \left( V_{GB} - V_{FB} - \psi_{se} - \gamma \sqrt{\psi_{se}} \right) + \alpha \left( \psi_{se} - \frac{\psi_{s0} + \psi_{sL}}{2} \right) \right] (\psi_{sL} - \psi_{s0})$$
$$I_{DS2} = \frac{W}{L} \mu C'_{ox} \alpha \phi_T (\psi_{sL} - \psi_{s0})$$



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# Linearizing ...

Channel end potentials are <u>calculated before</u>.

In this situation the inversion layer charge become:

 $Q'_{I} = -C'_{ox}(V_{GB} - V_{FB} - \psi_{s}) - Q'_{B} = -C'_{ox}(V_{GB} - V_{FB} - \psi_{se} - \gamma\sqrt{\psi_{se}} - \alpha(\psi_{s} - \psi_{se}))$ 

•Our discussion so far has been in terms of an arbitrary expansion point  $\psi_{se}$ .

•Several choices for  $\psi_{se}$  have been proposed in the literature.

Next discussion in about choosing  $\psi_{se}$ .





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First choice :

$$\psi_{se} = \psi_{sm} = \frac{\psi_{s0} + \psi_{sL}}{2}$$

Note that  $\psi_{sm}$  is the midpoint of the *potential*, not the physical midpoint of the channel.

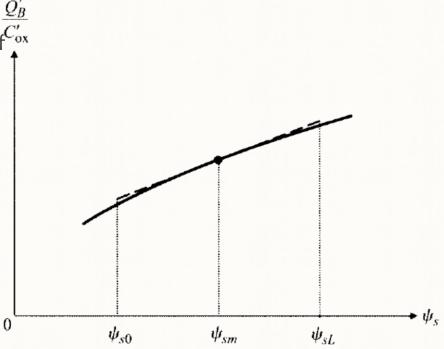
•The resulting value of  $\alpha$ :

$$\alpha = \alpha_m = 1 + \frac{\gamma}{2\sqrt{\psi_{sm}}}$$

•The corresponding equations for  $Q'_B$ ,  $I_{DS1}$  and  $I_{DS2}$  become:

$$-Q'_B = C'_{ox} \left[ \gamma \sqrt{\psi_{sm}} + (\alpha_m - 1)(\psi_s - \psi_{sm}) \right]$$

$$I_{DS1} = \frac{W}{L} \mu C'_{ox} \left[ \left( V_{GB} - V_{FB} - \psi_{sm} - \gamma \sqrt{\psi_{sm}} \right) \right] (\psi_{sL} - \psi_{s0})$$
$$I_{DS2} = \frac{W}{L} \mu C'_{ox} \alpha_m \phi_T (\psi_{sL} - \psi_{s0})$$







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Note that  $\psi_{sm}$  and  $\alpha_m$  change when  $\psi_{sL}$  changes.

As introduced before, the quantity  $C'_{ox}(V_{GB} - V_{FB} - \psi_{sm} - \gamma \sqrt{\psi_{sm}})$  is the magnitude of the inversion charge (per unit area).

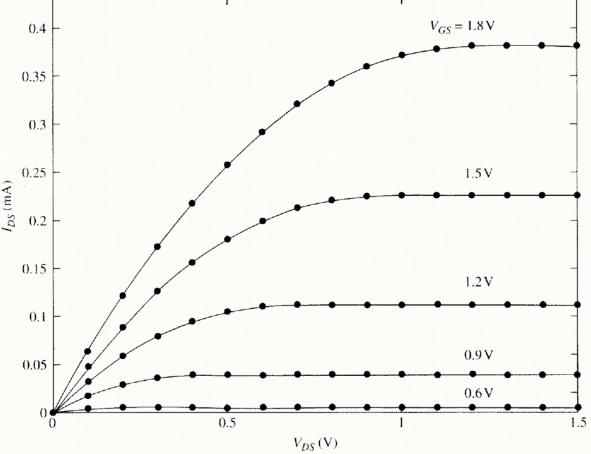
•Thus,  $I_{DS1}$  (drift current) can be interpreted as follows: the "vertical" field caused by the applied voltage VGB induces a conducting channel to form underneath the gate, with an "effective" charge as above, and the "lateral" field caused by  $\psi_{sL} - \psi_{s0}$  causes current to flow through this conducting channel.



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 Although square-root terms are still present in equations, the expressions are analytically and computationally simpler than before and numerically more stable to evaluate; yet, they are essentially indistinguishable in terms of accuracy.

One can choose another point of  $\psi_{se}$  such as  $\psi_{s0}$ 

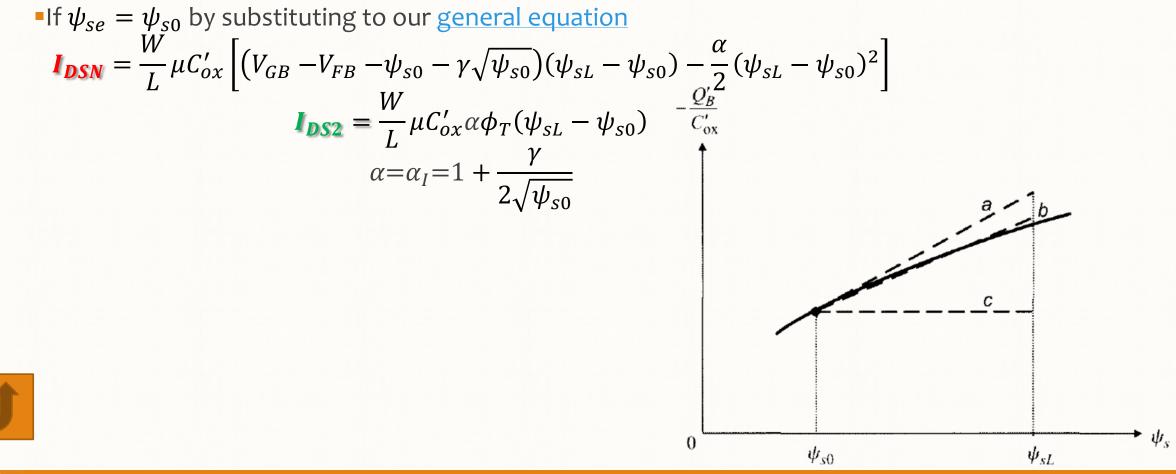




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## Charge Formulation of Simplified All-Region Models

•As it is shown  $Q'_B$  is change linearly  $\rightarrow Q'_I$  can be also assumed to change linearly as:

$$Q'_{I} = -C'_{ox}(V_{GB} - V_{FB} - \psi_{s}) - Q'_{B} = -C'_{ox}(V_{GB} - V_{FB} - \psi_{se} - \gamma\sqrt{\psi_{se}} - \alpha(\psi_{s} - \psi_{se}))$$

•For such approximations, the corresponding inversion charge  $Q'_I$  for a fixed  $V_{GB}$  also varies linearly with  $\psi_s$ .

•This approximation for  $Q'_I$  is more accurate than the one for  $Q'_B$ , as  $Q'_I$  already contained a dominant linear term to begin with.

$$\frac{dQ'_I}{d\psi_s} = \alpha C'_{ox}$$

Based on past driven equation now we have:

$$I_{DS1} = \frac{W}{L} \mu \left( \int_{\psi_{s0}}^{\psi_{sL}} (-Q_I') d\psi_s(x) \right) = \frac{W}{L} \mu \left( \int_{Q_{I0}'}^{Q_{IL}'} (-Q_I') \frac{1}{\alpha C_{ox}'} dQ_I' \right) = \frac{W}{L} \mu \frac{1}{\alpha C_{ox}'} (Q_{I0}'^2 - Q_{IL}'^2)$$
$$I_{DS2} = \frac{W}{L} \mu \phi_T (Q_{IL}' - Q_{I0}')$$
$$\psi_{se} = \psi_{sa}$$



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