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1. The pn junction

•The *pn junction* plays a fundamental role in all semiconductor devices.

•A pure intrinsic silicon crystal is made as a tridimensional array of atoms: *crystal lattice*.

•Atoms are held in place by the *valence electrons* that form bonds among the atoms.

•At zero absolute temperature all these electrons are frozen firmly in place. At room temperature the lattice vibrates and this *thermal motion* makes some electrons loose from the parent atom.

•They then become *free electrons* that can move across the crystal.

•Each free electron leave a *hole* in the parent atom and the atom next to it could supply a valence electron to fill that hole and the next to next could do the same.

•As a result we can think to a *moving hole* that carries a positive charge.

•When a wondering around electron meets a wondering around hole they annihilate; this is called *recombination*.

•The volume concentration of free electrons and holes in the intrinsic silicon are equal

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$n_i = n_p = 1.45 \cdot 10^{10} \,\mathrm{cm}^{-3}$

•Because there are **5** • **10**²² **cm**⁻³ atoms in a silicon crystal only **3** out of every **10 13** of these atoms contribute to an electron-hole pair. Electrons and holes are called *carriers*.

•It is possible to make the number of free electrons different from that of the holes inserting foreign atoms, *impurities*, in the lattice crystal.

•This process is called *doping* and the crystal becomes then *extrinsic*.

•To enrich the population of free electrons, the dopant is chosen to have one electron more than those required to bond to the neighborough atoms in the crystal.

•The dopant atoms in this case are called *donors* (phosphorous, arsenic, antimony) and the extrinsic silicon is *n*-*type*. Electrons are *majority* cariers and hole *minority*.

•To enrich the population of holes, atoms with one electron less than those required for perfect bonding are inserted.

•The dopant atoms in this case are called *acceptors* (boron, gallium, indium) and the extrinsic silicon is *p-type*. Holes are *majority* cariers and electrons *minority*.

•The donor *concentration* is called N_D , while the acceptor concentration is called N_A . They are several order of magnitude higher than n_i .



•Typically there are one donor or acceptor atom out of every **10**⁸ atoms of silicon.

•In the figure a physical model of a *pn junction* is given. We assume that the impurity concentration changes abruptly from N_D , donors in n-type, to N_A , acceptors in p-type. •This is called *step junction*.

•When the junction is formed, the two types of carriers *diffuse* across the junction.

•It should be noted that diffusion takes place everytime there is a different *concentration* of particles or a gradient in the concentration and it does not imply any electric field (smoke in the air, color in the water etc.).

•When electrons diffuse across the junction they leave positive charged donors, near the junction, $q \cdot N_D$. Similarly holes leaving the p side, generate a charge $-q \cdot N_A$ negative near the junction.

•Due to these charges of opposite sign but same in absolute value, an electrical field E_0 is created that tends to cause an opposite carrier movement (*drift current*) of free electrons and holes. •When the current due to the free carrier diffusion equals the drift current due to E_0

the junction is in equilibrium with $V_D = 0$ and $i_D = 0$.

•The *depletion region,* x_d , is defined as the region around the juction which is depleted of free carriers:

$$x_d = x_n - x_p \tag{1.1}$$

Because of electrical neutrality:

$$qN_D x_n = -qN_A x_p \tag{1.2}$$

where $q = 1.6 \cdot 10^{-19} C$, electron charge.

•From Gauss' law:

$$E_0 = \frac{q N_A x_p}{\mathcal{E}_{Si}} = -\frac{q N_D x_n}{\mathcal{E}_{Si}}$$
(1.3)

where \mathcal{E}_{Si} is the *dielectric constant* of Si: $\mathcal{E}_{Si} = 11.7 \cdot \mathcal{E}_0$ where $\mathcal{E}_0 = 8.85 \cdot 10^{14}$ F/cm.

•The voltage is found by integrating:

$$\phi_0 - V_D = \frac{-E_0(x_n - x_p)}{2}$$
(1.4)

where V_D is the externally applied voltage. ϕ_0 is the *barrier potential* and is given as

$$\phi_0 = \frac{kT}{q} \cdot \ln \frac{N_A N_D}{n_i^2}$$
$$= V_t \cdot \ln \frac{N_A N_D}{n_i^2}$$

(1.5)

where $k = 1.38 \cdot 10^{-23} \text{ J/}^{\circ}\text{K}$ is the Boltzmann constant and n_i is the intrinsic concentration of Si. V_t at 300°K is 25.9 mV.

•From (1.2), (1.3) and (1.4) we get:

$$x_{n} = \left[\frac{2\mathcal{E}_{Si}(\phi_{0} - V_{D})N_{A}}{q N_{D}(N_{A} + N_{D})}\right]^{1/2}$$
(1.6)

$$x_{p} = -\left[\frac{2\mathcal{E}_{Si}(\phi_{0} - V_{D})N_{D}}{q N_{A}(N_{A} + N_{D})}\right]^{1/2}$$
(1.7)

and then:

$$x_{d} = \left[\frac{2\mathcal{E}_{Si}(\phi_{0} - V_{D})(N_{A} + N_{D})}{qN_{A}N_{D}}\right]^{1/2}$$
$$= \left[\frac{2\mathcal{E}_{Si}(N_{A} + N_{D})}{qN_{A}N_{D}}\right]^{1/2} \cdot (\phi_{0} - V_{D})^{1/2}$$
(1.8)

•From (1.8) we understand that the depletion width is proportional to the square root of the difference between barrier potential and externally applied voltage. x_d extends with the junction inverse biasing.

•We see also that:

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 $egin{aligned} & x_d \approx x_n & ext{if} & N_A >> N_D \ & \text{or} & & & \ & x_d \approx x_p & ext{if} & N_D >> N_A. \end{aligned}$

That means that the depletion region will extend further into the lightly doped semiconductor than it will into the heavily doped semiconductor.

•We also define the depletion charge that is equal to the magnitude of the fixed charge on either side of the junction:

$$Q_{j} = |A q N_{A} x_{p}| = A q N_{D} x_{n}$$
$$= A \cdot \left[\frac{2 \mathcal{E}_{si} q N_{A} N_{D}}{N_{A} + N_{D}} \right]^{1/2} \cdot \left(\phi_{0} - V_{D} \right)^{1/2}$$
(1.9)

where **A** is the cross section area of junction in **cm**².

•Substituting (1.6) or (1.7) in (1.3) we get: $E_{0} = \left[\frac{2qN_{A}N_{D}}{\mathcal{E}_{Si}(N_{A}+N_{D})}\right]^{1/2} (\phi_{0}-V_{D})^{1/2}$ (1.10)

•(1.8), (1.9) and (1.10), here summarized, are the key relations to understand the pn junction

$$x_{d} = \left[\frac{2\boldsymbol{\mathcal{E}}_{Si}(N_{A}+N_{D})}{qN_{A}N_{D}}\right]^{1/2} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\phi}_{0}-V_{D})^{1/2}$$
(1.8)

 $x_d \approx x_n$ if $N_A >> N_D$, $x_d \approx x_p$ if $N_D >> N_A$

$$Q_{j} = A \left[\frac{2 \mathcal{E}_{si} q N_{A} N_{D}}{N_{A} + N_{D}} \right]^{1/2} (\phi_{0} - V_{D})^{1/2}$$
(1.9)
$$E_{0} = \left[\frac{2 q N_{A} N_{D}}{\mathcal{E}_{si} (N_{A} + N_{D})} \right]^{1/2} (\phi_{0} - V$$
(1.10)

•The depletion region of a pn junction forms a capacitance called depletionlayer capacitance. Its value can be found by (1.11):

$$C_{j} = \frac{dQ_{j}}{dV_{D}} = A \cdot \left[\frac{\mathcal{E}_{si}qN_{A}N_{D}}{2(N_{A}+N_{D})}\right]^{1/2} \cdot \frac{1}{(\phi_{0}-V_{D})^{1/2}}$$
$$= \frac{C_{j0}}{[1-(V_{D}/\phi_{0})]^{m}}$$

(1.11)

where $C_j = C_{j0}$ at $V_d = 0$ and m is the grading coefficient. m = 1/2 for step junction, in practice $m = 1/3 \div 1/2$.

Exercise

Let's calculate x_p , x_n , x_d , o_0 , C_{jo} , and C_j at Vd = -4V, ambient temperature, for a step junction: being $NA = 5 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $ND = 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $A = 10 \cdot 10 \text{ um}^2$. We know that if ND >> NA then:

$$x_d = x_p = -\left[\frac{2\mathcal{E}_{Si}(\phi_0 - V_D)}{q N_A}\right]^{1/2}$$

where

$$\phi_0 = 25.9 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot \ln \frac{5 \cdot 10^{35}}{(1.45)^2 \cdot 10^{20}}$$
$$= 917 \text{ mV}$$

$$x_p = x_d = \left[\frac{2 \cdot 11.7 \cdot 8.85 \cdot 10^{-14} \cdot 4.917}{1.6 \cdot 10^{-19} \cdot 5 \cdot 10^{15}}\right]^{1/2}$$

= 1.128 \mum

$$C_{j} = A \left[\frac{\mathcal{E}_{s_{i}} q N_{A}}{2} \right]^{1/2} \frac{1}{(4.917)^{1/2}}$$

= $10^{-6} \left[\frac{11.7 \cdot 8.85 \cdot 10^{-14} \cdot 1.6 \cdot 10^{-19} \cdot 5 \cdot 10^{15}}{2 \cdot 4.917} \right]^{1/2}$
= $9.178 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ F}$

$$C_{j0} = 9.178 \cdot 10^{-15} \left[1 + \frac{4}{0.917} \right]^{1/2}$$
$$= 21.25 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ F}^{-15}$$

•The voltage breakdown of a reverse biased ($V_d < 0$) junction is determined by the maximum electric field that can exist across the depletion region.

For silicon the maximum electric field is about:

Emax \approx 300 kV/cm

•We can use the (1.10) where $V_d < 0$, much larger than ϕ_0 , to compute the breakdown voltage in the same case of the previous exercise:

$$V_{D_{breakdown}} = E_{max}^2 \cdot \frac{\mathcal{E}_{Si}(N_A + N_D)}{2q N_A N_D} \approx 58.2 \text{ V}$$

2.Direct current in the junction

•The total current of direct biased junction is



Minority carrier concentrations in a forward-biased pn junction.

made of four components: holes and electrons *drift currents* and hole and electrons *diffusion currents*. In our analysis we assume that V_d is sustained entirely at the junction.

•Then the total junction voltage will be $(\phi_0 - V_d)$. In forward bias $V_d > 0$, so the applied voltage reduces the barrier to the

diffusion flow of *majority carriers* at the junction.

•The reduced barrier permits transfer of holes from p-side to n-side and electrons from n-side to p-side.

•When these carriers enter the quasineutral region they become *minority carriers* and they are quickly neutralised by the majority carriers entering from ohmic contacts.

•The majority carriers act only as suppliers of minority carriers current or as neutralisers in the quasi-neutral region.

•The excess of minority carriers concentration on each side of the junction is shown by the curves. The concentration starts at a maximum and decreases to the value n_{p0} or p_{n0} that are the equilibrium concentrations of the *minority* carriers in the p-type and n-type semiconductors.

•The equilibrium concentration can be evaluated according to the following

considerations; as the free electrons concentration increases the chance of recombination with a hole increases. The hole concentration decreases by the same factor.

•Hence the product $p_{n0} \cdot N_D$, in the n-type, remains the same as in the intrinsic case, n_i^2 , where $p_i = n_i$. The same applies to the product $n_{p0} \cdot N_A$, in the p-type.

•Then

$$p_{n0} \cdot N_D = n_i^2$$
 and

$$p_{n0} = n_i^2 / N_D$$
 (2.1)

 $n_{p0} N_A = n_i^2$ and

$$n_{p0} = n_i^2 / N_A$$
 (2.2)

•As V_d is increased, the excess minority concentration is increased. For $V_d = 0$ there is no excess, for $V_d < 0$ the minority

carrier concentration is depleted below its equilibrium value.

•The current that flows in the junction is proportional to the slope at x = 0

$$J_p(x) = -qD_p \frac{\partial p_n}{\partial x}\Big|_{x=0}$$
(2.3)

$$J_n(x) = q D_n \frac{\partial n_p}{\partial x} \Big|_{x=0}$$
(2.3a)

$$p_n(0) = p_{n0} \cdot e^{VD/V_t}$$

$$n_p(0) = n_{p0} \cdot e^{VD/V_t}$$
(2.4)

and D_p and D_n are the *diffusion constants* of the hole in n-type and electron in p-type.

•The diffusion constants are related to the mobility μ by the Einstein relationship $D=\mu V_t$, where mobility is constant of

proportionality between the electric field and the carrier velocity $v_{d} = \mu E$.

•With some manipulation we get that

$$I_D = qA \left[\frac{D_p p_{n0}}{L_p} + \frac{D_n n_{p0}}{L_n} \right] (e^{V_D/V_t} - 1)$$
$$= I_s (e^{V_D/V_t} - 1) \approx I_{s+e}^{V_D/V_t}$$

where L_p and L_n are the diffusion lengths for holes in n-type and electrons in p-type.

Example

Let's calculate *Is*, saturation current, using the (2.3), for a junction where $N_A = 5 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $N_D = 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ $D_n = 20 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$, $D_p = 10 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$, $L_n = 10 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ cm}$, $L_p = 5 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ cm}$ and $A = 1000 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ cm}^2$.

$$I_{s} = 1.6 \cdot 10^{-19} \left[\frac{10 p_{n0}}{5 \cdot 10^{-4}} + \frac{20 n_{p0}}{10 \cdot 10^{-4}} \right] \cdot 10^{-5}$$

$$n_{P0} = \frac{n_i^2}{N_A} = \frac{(1.45)^2 \cdot 10^{20}}{5 \cdot 10^{15}} = 4.2 \cdot 10^4$$

$$p_{n0} = \frac{ni^2}{N_D} = \frac{(1.45)^2 \cdot 10^{20}}{10^{20}} = 2.1$$

$$I_s = 1.34 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ A}$$

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3.The MOS transistor

•The physical structure of n-channel and pchannel MOS, using *p-well technology* is shown in the figure.



Physical structure of an NMOS and PMOS transistor in a p-well, CMOS technology.

p⁻ and *n*⁻ means lightly doped while *p*⁺ and
 n⁺ means heavily doped silicon.

•The substrate, either well or bulk, form a junction with source and drain. Because source and drain are separated by two inverse junctions the resistance in between is of the order of $10^{12} \Omega$. The gate and the

substrate are separated by SiO_2 and form a capacitance whose value is $C_{ox} L W$. Assuming to consider the n-type MOS, at the left in the figure, when a voltage is applied to the gate (positive) the positive charges of the p^- substrate are pushed away, that is equivalent to a negative charge created underneath the gate.

•The mobile charge *dQ* of holes originally contained in an infinitesimal horizontal layer of p-type material below the gate is given by

$$dQ = q(-N_A) \, dx_d \tag{3.1}$$

the change in potential required to displace the charge is

$$d\phi_{s} = -x_{d} \, dE = -x_{d} \, \frac{dQ}{\mathcal{E}_{si}}$$

that substituting (3.1), becomes

$$d\phi_{s} = \frac{x_{d} q N_{A} dx_{d}}{\mathcal{E}_{Si}}$$
(3.2)

that can be easily integrated

$$\phi_{s} = \frac{x_{d}^{2} q N_{A}}{2 \mathcal{E}_{si}} + \phi_{F}$$
(3.3)

where the integration constant ϕ_{F} is the equilibrium electrostatic potential that for p-type is

$$\phi_F = V_t \cdot \ln \frac{n_i}{N_A} \tag{3.4}$$

and for n-type is

$$\phi_F = V_t \cdot \ln \frac{N_D}{n_i} \tag{3.5}$$

•Assuming $\phi_{s} \ge \phi_{F}$ the (3.3) can be used to compute x_{d}

$$x_d = \left[\frac{2\boldsymbol{\mathcal{E}}_{Si}|\boldsymbol{\phi}_S - \boldsymbol{\phi}_F|}{q N_A}\right]^{1/2} \tag{3.6}$$

From (3.1), the immobile charge of the acceptor ions stripped of their mobile holes is

$$Q = -q N_A x_d \tag{3.7}$$

where x_d is the thickness of depleted region. Combining (3.6) and (3.7) we get

$$Q = -q N_{A} \left[\frac{2 \mathcal{E}_{Si} |\phi_{S} - \phi_{F}|}{q N_{A}} \right]^{1/2}$$
$$= -\sqrt{2q N_{A} \mathcal{E}_{Si} |\phi_{S} - \phi_{F}} \qquad (3.8)$$

•When the gate voltage reaches a value called *threshold voltage*, V_T , the substrate underneath becomes inverted. Consequently a (p/n) channel exists between source and drain that allows carriers to flow. This phenomenon is

known as *strong inversion*. In order to achieve this inversion the surface potential must increase from its original negative value to a positive value. The value of gatesource voltage necessary to cause this change in surface potential is the threshold voltage.

The threshold voltage will be discussed in some more detail, dealing with CMOS models.

4. Passive components

•The value of integrated capacitors is given by

$$C = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{ox} A}{t_{ox}} = C_{ox} A$$

where \mathcal{E}_{ox} is the dielectric constant of silicon dioxide ($\approx 3.45 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ pF/}\mu\text{m}$), t_{ox} is the thickness and A is the area of capacitor.

•It is always desirable that ratios of capacitors rather than absolute capacitor values define circuit performance.

•In order to match two capacitors as precisely as possible, it is desirable that the errors associated with each are also matched.

•Let C_1 ' be defined as

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•The ratio of C_2 ' to C_1 ' can be expressed as

$$\frac{C_2'}{C_1'} = \frac{C_2 \pm \Delta C_2}{C_1 \pm \Delta C_1}$$
$$= \frac{1 \pm \Delta C_2 / C_2}{1 \pm \Delta C_1 / C_1} \cdot \frac{C_2}{C_1}$$
$$\approx \frac{C_2}{C_1}$$

that is true if the errors of C_1 and C_2 are the same.

 In general it is desirable to obtain capacitor ratios using the same "*unitary*" capacitor.
 For instance the ratio

$$3.5 = \frac{3.5 \text{ pF}}{1 \text{ pF}} = \frac{7 \cdot 0.5 \text{ pF}}{2 \cdot 0.5 \text{ pF}}$$

or

$3.7 = \frac{6 \cdot 0.5 \text{ pF} + 0.7 \text{ pF}}{2 \cdot 0.5 \text{ pF}}$

•The *tempco* of these capacitors is in the range of 20÷50 ppm/°C while the voltage coefficient is in the range of -10 to -200 ppm/V.

•The other passive component compatible with MOS technology is the *resistor*. Even though we shall use primarily circuits containing only MOS active devices and capacitors, some applications use the resistor.

Resistors compatible with MOS technology include:

diffused, *polysilicon*, *p-well* (or *n-well*) and *pinched resistors*.







Resistors. (a) Diffused. (b) Polysilicon. (c) P-well. (d) Pinched



и (J) n² connected to *n*

Component Type	Range of Values	Relative Accuracy	Temperature Coefficient	Voltage Coefficient	Absolute Accuracy
Poly/poly capacitor	0.3-0.4 (F/µ²	0.06%	25 ppm/°C	50 ppm/V	20%
MOS capacitor	0.35-0.5 (F/µ²	0.06%	25 ppm/°C	20 ppm/V	10%
Diffused resistor	10-100 ohms/sq.	2% (5 µm width)	1500 ppm/°C	200 ppm/V	35%
Poly resistor	30-200 onms/sq.	2% (5 µm w:dth)	1500 ppm/°C	100 ppm/V	30%
ton impli resistor	0.5-2k ohms/sq.	1% (5 μm width)	400 ppm/°C	800 ppm/V	- 5%
p-well resistor	1-10k ohms/sg	2%	8000 ppm/°C	I0k ppm∕∨	40%
pinch resistor	5-2Ck chms/sq	10%	I0k ppm∕°C	20k ppm/V	50%

•The *sheet resistance* of **diffused** is in the range of 10 to 100 ohm/square.

Polysilicon has a sheet resistance of 30 to 600 ohm/square and can be trimmed (laser trimming).

The *p-well* (or n-well) have high sheet resistance (1 to 10 Kohm/square) but poor accuracy.

Pinched resistors are some like JFET with gate tied to a positive supply (in the case of the figure being n+ connected to n-). They require proper modeling.

5. CMOS LARGE-SIGNAL MODEL

•Modeling is defined as the process by which the electrical properties of a semiconductor device or a group of interconnected devices (active and passive) are represented by means of mathematical equations or tables.

• "A model is an artifice that gives one the illusion of knowing more about a process than one actually does" (Alva Archer from Datel Linear).

•The primary application of a *large-signal model* is to simulate or solve the largesignal behavior, that includes the *biasing* of the active devices.

•Once the bias points have been established, a *small-signal model* can be used to determine the small-signal performance.

•Since most of the parameters of the smallsignal model depend on the large-signal voltages and currents (biasing), the smallsignal model depends heavily upon the large-signal variables.

•A large-signal model, for *strong inversion* (*saturation region*), that includes *second-order effects* is presented next.

Second order effect are required to increase the accuracy in many cases as short-channel devices or high currents.

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•When operating in *sub-treshold* region the strong inversion model is not accurate anymore.

Sub-threshold operation is suitable for extremely low power circuits. This subject will not be presented here.

•All large-signal models will be developed for the n-channel MOS device with positive polarities as shown in the following figure. part a. The same model can be use for pchannel MOS device if all voltages and currents are multiplied by -1, and the absolute value of the p-channel is used. This is equivalent to use voltages and currents as in the part b of the figure.


•Lower case variables, with capital subscripts, will be used for the large-signal models, and lower-case variables with lower-case subscripts will be used for the variables of small-signal models. When a current or a voltage is a *model parameter* it will be designated by an upper-case variable and an upper-case subscript. When the length and width of the MOS device is grater than 10µm and the substrate doping is low, the model suggested by Sah (also used in SPICE) is very appropriate.

•The *i_D* is described by the following relationresult is

$$i_{D} = \frac{\mu_{o}C_{ox}W}{L} [(v_{GS} - V_{T}) - v_{DS}/2]v_{DS}(1 + \lambda v_{SD})$$
(5.1)

where: $\mu_o = \text{surface mobility of the channel}$ $(\text{cm}^2/\text{V} \cdot \text{s}),$ $C_{ox} = e_{ox}/t_{ox} = \text{capacitance per unit areas}$ of the gate oxide (F/cm²),

W = effective channel width,

L = effective channel length,

I = channel length modulation parameter(V⁻¹),

V_T is the *threshold voltage*.



•The *threshold voltage* is given as V_{T0} , as a typical process parameter, in the case of $V_{BS} = 0$, that is the most usual case in most applications.

•In the realm of circuit design it is more desirable to express the i_D in terms of electrical parameters rather than physical parameters. For this reason the (5.1) becomes

$$i = \beta [(v_{GS} - V_T) - (v_{DS} / 2)] v_{DS} (1 + \lambda v_{DS})$$
(5.2)

where

$$\beta = K \frac{W}{L} \cong (\mu_o C_{ox}) \frac{W}{L}$$
(5.3)

K' is called *transconductance parameter* and is normally given as a model parameter.

It is equal to $\mu_o C_{ox}$, only in non saturated region, in saturated region, is usually smaller. **K**' is given in $\mu A/V^{2}$.

The saturation region begins as soon as

$$V_{DS(sat)} = V_{GS} - V_T \tag{5.4}$$

therefore replacing in (5.2) v_{DS} defined as in (5.4), but leaving the terms that accounts for channel-length modulation, we get

$$i_{D} = K \frac{W}{2L} (v_{GS} - V_{T})^{2} (1 + \lambda v_{DS})$$
(5.5)

•In the saturation region the i_D is independent from v_{DS} , except for the channel-length modulation, that somehow reminds the Early effect in bipolar transistors. The i_D , v_{DS} characteristic is shown in the figure.



Example

Assume that two MOS transistors, one n-type and another ptype, have a *W/L* ratio of $100\mu m/10\mu m$ and the large signal model parameters are those give in the table, let's find the i_D current in the case that drain, gate, source, and bulk voltages of NMOS is 5V, 3V, 0V, and 0V while the ones for PMOS are the same with opposite sign.

From (5.4) we get that

 $v_{DS(sat)} = v_{GS} - V_{TO} = 3V - 1V = 2V$

Since v_{DS} is 5V, the transistor operates in saturation region then using the (5.5) and the values in the table:

$$i_{D} = K \frac{W}{2L} (v_{GS} - V_{T})^{2} (1 + \lambda v_{DS})$$
$$= \frac{17 * 10^{-6} * 100}{2 * 10} (3 - 1)^{2} (1 + .01 * 5)$$
$$= 357 \mu A$$

Also the PMOS is in saturation, so we get:

$$i_{D} = K \frac{W}{2L} (v_{SG} - V_{T})^{2} (1 + \lambda v_{SD})$$

= $\frac{8 * 10^{-6} * 100}{2 * 10} (3 - 1)^{2} (1 + .02 * 5)$
= $176 \mu A$

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6. CMOS SMALL-SIGNAL MODEL



•The figure shows a small-signal model for MOS transistor at low frequency. Remind that small-signal parameters will have lower case subscripts.

•The small signal parameters are defined in terms of the *ratio of small perturbations of the large-signal variables* or as *partial differentiation of one largesignal variable with respect to another*. •The channel conductances, g_m , g_{mbs} , and g_{ds} are defined as

$$g_{m} = \frac{\partial i_{D}}{\partial v_{GS}}$$
(6.1)

$$g_{mbs} = \frac{\partial i_{D}}{\partial v_{BS}}$$
(6.2)

$$g_{ds} = \frac{\partial i_{D}}{\partial v_{DS}}$$
(6.3)

calculated at quiescent point. Eventually

gbd =∂ibd/∂vbd≈0

gbs=∂isв/∂vsв≈0

being bulk to drain and bulk to source junctions normally reverse biased.

•The (6.1) can be derived from (5.5), then substituting to i_D , I_D and to v_{DS} , V_{DS} as we consider small perturbations, given a certain operating point.

$$g_{m} = \frac{\partial i_{D}}{\partial v_{gs}}$$

$$= \frac{K W}{2L} 2(v_{GS} - V_{T})(1 + \lambda v_{DS})$$

$$= \sqrt{2K W/L} \sqrt{I_{D}} \sqrt{1 + \lambda V_{DS}}$$

$$\cong \sqrt{I * (2K W/L)} \qquad (6.1a)$$

If we rewrite the (6.2) as

$$g_{mbs} = \frac{-\partial i_D}{\partial v_{SB}} = -\frac{\partial i_D}{\partial V_T} \frac{\partial V_T}{\partial v_{SB}}$$

remembering that we said that $V_{\mathcal{T}}$ is a function of the bulk-source voltage and noting that

$$\frac{\partial i_D}{\partial v_{GS}} = -\frac{\partial i_D}{\partial V_T}$$

we get

$$g_{mbs} = g_m \eta$$

(6.2a)

where η is the derivative of V_T that is written as

$$\eta = \frac{\gamma}{2\sqrt{\left(2\Phi_F + V_{SB}\right)}}$$

(6.4)

where γ , **bulk threshold**, and $2 \cdot \Phi_F$, **surface potential** at strong inversion, are model parameters (see table). The (6.3) can be rewritten, deriving (5.5)

we get

 $g_{ds} = \lambda I_{D}$

(6.3a)

Constants for Silicon.

Constant			
Symbol	Constant Description	Value	Units
V _{c.} .	Silicon bandgap (27°C)	1.205	volts
k	Boltzmann's constant	1.381 x 10 °	loules/*K
n	Intrinsic carrier concentration (27°C)	1.45 x 10 ¹⁰	cm-3
€.,	Permittivity of silicon	1.0359 x 10 ⁻¹²	Farads/cm
€	Permittivity of SiO,	3.45 x 10 ⁻³	Farads/cm

Example

Find the values of g_m , g_{mbs} , g_{ds} using the large signal mode parameters given in the table for both NMOS and PMOS devices assuming a dc value of the drain current of 50µA and a bulk-source voltage of 5V. The W/L ratio is 1, being $W = 10\mu m$. Using (6.1a) we get for NMOS,

Parameter	Parameter	Typical Parameter Value		
Symbol	Description	NMOS	PMOS	Units
V12	Threshold Voltage $(V_{us} = 0)$	I ± 0.2	-1 ± 0.2	volts
K	Transconductance Parameter (in saturation)	17.0 ± 10%	8.0 ± 10%	μA/volt′
Kinnen	Transconductance Parameter ('n nonsaturation)	25.0 ± 10%	10.0 ± 10%	µA/volt′
γ	Bulk threshold parameter	1.3	0.6	(volts)' ²
λ	Channel length modulation parameter	$\begin{array}{l} 0.01 \ (L = 10 \ \mu m) \\ 0.004 \ (L = 20 \ \mu m) \end{array}$	$0.02 (L = 10 \ \mu m)$ $0.008 (L = 20 \ \mu m)$	(volts)"
2 <i>φ</i> _r	Surface potential at strong inversion	0.7	0.6	volts

Model Parameters for a Typical CMOS Bulk Process Suitable for Hand Calculations Using the Simple Model. These Values Are Based upon a 5 μ m Silicon-Gate Bulk CMOS p-Well Process.

For PMOS:

$$g_m = \sqrt{I_D(2K W/L)}$$

= $\sqrt{50(2*8)}*10^{-6}$
= 28.3µA/V

From (6.4) we get

$$\eta = \frac{\gamma}{2\sqrt{2\Phi_F + V_{SB}}}$$
$$= \frac{1.3}{2\sqrt{(.7+5)}}$$
$$= .27$$

for NMOS, then, using (6.2a), we get $g_{mbs} = 11.2 \ \mu$ A/V. For PMOS we have $g_{mbs} = 3.58 \ \mu$ A/V. Using the (6.3a) we get

$$g_{ds} = I_D \lambda$$

= 50 * 10⁻⁶ * .01
= .5 \mu A / V

that means an output resistance $r_{ds} = 2M\Omega$ for the NMOS and

$$g_{ds} = I_D \lambda$$

= 50 * 10⁻⁶ * .02
= 1 \mu A / V

that means an output resistance $r_{ds} = 1M\Omega$ for the PMOS.

7. DEVICES AND MODELS IN SPICE FOR CMOS

•For CMOS simulation in SPICE, there are *devices* lines (statements), and *models* lines (statements).

•The purpose of the *device* statement is to identify the device *name*, describe the topological *connections* of it, identify the *model* of the device, that contains the circuit and physical parameters, provide up to 8 *geometric parameters*, and 1 device *multiplier* which simulates the effect of multiple devices in parallel (default value = 1).

•CMOS device general form is:

M<name> +<drain node> <gate node> +<source node> <bulk node> +<model name> +[L=<value>] [W=<value>] +[AD=<value>] [AS=<value>] +[PD=<value>] [PS=<value>] +[NRD=<value>] [NRS=<value>] +[NRG=<value>] [NRB=<value>] +[M=<value>]

• M<name> can be any name that starts with M: eg. M1, MNMOS, MPMOS, M4MOS etc.

L and W are channel length and width in meters (default value = 100μ m). AD and AS are the drain and source diffusion areas in square meters (default value = 0). They can be calculated according the technology information. PD and PS are drain and source diffusion perimeters in meters (default value = 0). NRD, and NRS (default value = 1), NRG, and NRB (default value = 0) are the relative resistivities of the drain, source, gate, and substrate in squares. **M** is the device multiplier (default value = 1).

•Obviously not all the information can be entered until the device is geometrically defined. In the early phase of simulation only **L** and **W** are entered usually.

•Examples:

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M1 14 2 13 0 PNOM L=25u W=12u

MSTRONG 15 3 0 0 NSTRONG

MTWICE 15 3 0 0 NSTRONG M=2

MIN 2 3 4 4 NWEAK L=33u W= 12u +AD=288p AS=288p PD=60u PS=60u +NRD=14 NRS=24 NRG=10

Model general form

.MODEL +<model name> +NMOS (or PMOS)

+[model parameters]

•The *model statement* is preceded by a *period* to flag the program that is not a component, then there is the model *name* followed by the model *type* (NMOS or PMOS). The model *parameters* list starts with model *level* definition and provides *electrical* and *process* parameters.

Example .MODEL MYMOS NMOS +(LEVEL=1 VTO=.7 BF=30)

•The four most popular SPICE models for CMOS differ from the formulation of the I-V characteristic.

The LEVEL=1model uses the (5.1) or (5.2) to compute the drain current (large-signal). It is also called Shichman-Hodges model. LEVEL=2 (Extended Model) and LEVEL=3 are respectively geometry based analytic model (small-signal), and semi-empirical short-channel model. The second takes into account *second order effects*.

In Level=4 or BSIM [Berkeley Shortchannel Igfet (isolated gate field effect transistor) model for MOS transistor] all parameters are obtained from process characterization.

Unlike the other models **BSIM** is designed for use with a *process characterization system* that provides all parameters: most of the SPICEs do not use any default for these parameters.

•The level 1 parameters, covered in section 5, are the zero-bias threshold voltage VT0, the intrinsic transconductance parameter KP, the bulk threshold parameter GAMMA, the surface potential at strong inversion PHI, and the channel length modulation parameter LAMBDA. These were in given in the

table repeated here with the proper units.

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Model Parameters for a Typical CMOS Bulk Process Suitable for Hand Calculations Using the Simple Model. These Values Are Based upon a 5 μ m Silicon-Gate Bulk CMOS p-Well Process.

Parameter	Parameter	Typical Parameter Value		
Symbol	Description	NMCS	PMOS	Units
Via	Threshold Voltage $(V_{ijk} = 0)$	1 ± 0.2	-1 ± 0.2	volts
Κ.,	Transconductance Parameter (in saturation)	17.0 ± 10%	8.0 ± 10%	µA∕volt ¹
Kionan	Transconductance Parameter (in nonsaturation)	25.0 ± 10%	100±10%	µA/volt′
γ	Bulk threshold parameter	13	D.6	(volts) ^{1.2}
λ	Channel leng:n modulation parameter	$\begin{array}{l} 0.01 \ (L = 10 \ \mu m) \\ 0.004 \ (L = 20 \ \mu m) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{l} 0.02 \ (L = 10 \ \mu m) \\ 0.008 \ (L = 20 \ \mu m) \end{array}$	(volts)
2 Ø,	Surface potential at strong inversion	0.7	0.6	volts

•Other parameters are included to complete the model at level 1, all depending on the geometrical dimensions (see later).

•As already said the **level 2** requires additional parameters, not discussed so far, to take into account second order effects.

•Level 1 is almost not used while level 2 and 3 are the most used ones. Some examples of real models level 2 and 3 from a very popular process follow. Level 4 is more difficult to find from fundries.



LIBRERIA DI COMPONENTI MOS BRAND_X * PROCESSO DA 2um ANALOGICO DOPPIO METAL, DOPPIO POLY ALIMENTAZIONE 5V 2_CUBA BRAND_X 2_CUBA 2um CMOS typical parameters .MODEL 2 CUBAN NMOS LEVEL=2 + CGSO =0.370E-09 CGDO =0.370E-09 CGBO =0.064E-09 =0.350E-03 MJ =0.440E+00 CJSW =0.150E-09 MJSW =0.300E+00 + CJ =0.500E-03 PB =0.800E+00 RSH =33.00E+00 XQC =1E+00 + JS + TOX =29.70E-09 XJ =0.570E-06 LD =0.303E-06 WD =0.564E-06 + VTO =0.804E+00 NSUB =26.80E+15 NFS =1.160E+12 NEFF =6.310E+00 + UO =552.0E-00 UCRIT =21.00E+04 UEXP =0.181E+00 UTRA =0.000E+00 + VMAX =066.0E+03 DELTA =1.660E+00 .MODEL 2_CUBAP PMOS LEVEL=2 + CGSO =0.370E-09 CGDO =0.370E-09 CGBO =0.064E-09 + CJ =0.320E-03 MJ =0.490E-00 CJSW =0.150E-09 MJSW =0.260E+00 + JS =0.200E-03 PB =0.700E+00 RSH =65.00E+00 XQC =1E+00 + TOX =29.70E-09 XJ =0.472E-06 LD =0.313E-06 WD =0.561E-06 + VTO =-.776E+00 NSUB =12.60E+15 NFS =1.020E+12 NEFF =2.560E+00 + UO =174.0E+00 UCRIT =20.20E+04 UEXP =0.245E+00 UTRA =0.000E+00 + VMAX =045.6E+03 DELTA =3.100E+00 LIBRERIA DI COMPONENTI MOS BRANDI X * PROCESSO DA 2um ANALOGICO DOPPIO METAL, DOPPIO POLY ALIMENTAZIONE 5V 2_CUBAQ BRAND_X 2_CUBAQ 2um CMOS * typical parameters .MODEL 2, CUBAON NMOS LEVEL=2 + CGSO =0.560E-09 CGDO =0.560E-09 CGBO =0.165E-09 =0.400E-03 MJ =0.500E+00 CUSW =0.390E-09 MUSW =0.060E+00 + CJ + JS =0.020E-03 PB =0.600E-00 RSH =30.00E+00 XQC =1E+00 + TOX =31.10E-09 XJ =0.054E-06 LD =0.338E-06 WD =0.644E-06 + VTO =0.770E+00 NSUB =33.10E+15 NFS =0.293E+12 NEFF =3.560E+00 + UO =582.0E-00 UCRIT =20.90E+04 UEXP =0.235E+00 UTRA =0.000E+00 + VMAX =86.00E+03 DELTA =0E+00 .MODEL 2_CUBAOP PMOS LEVEL=2 + CGSO =0.560E-09 CGDO =0.560E-09 CGBO =0.165E-09 + CJ =0.360E-03 MJ =0.500E+00 CJSW =0.310E-09 MJSW =0.010E+00 + JS =0.040E-03 PB =0.790E-00 RSH =81.00E+00 XQC =1E+00 + TOX =31.10E-09 XJ =0.021E-06 LD =0.315E-06 WD =0.731E-06

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+ VTO =- 804E+00 NSUB =11.80E+15 NFS =0.337E+12 NEFF =2.030E+00
+ UO =180.0E-00 UCRIT =19.70E+04 UEXP =0.219E+00 UTRA =0.000E+00
+ VMAX =41.20E+03 DELTA =1.040E+00
                                    . . . . .
* worst case power parameters
.MODEL 2_CUBAWCPN NMOS LEVEL=2
+ CGSO =0.370E-09 CGDO =0.370E-09 CGBO =0.064E-09
+ CJ =0.300E-03 MJ =0.440E+00 CJSW =0.100E-09 MJSW =0.300E+00
+ JS =0.500E-03 PB =0.800E+00 RSH =25.00E+00 XQC =1E+00
+ TOX =28.00E-09 XJ =0.570E-06 LD =0.475E-06 WD =0.450E-06
+ VTO =0.650E+00 NSUB =18.00E+15 NFS =1.160E+12 NEFF =6.310E+00
+ UO =590.0E+00 UCRIT =21.00E+04 UEXP =0.131E+00 UTRA =0.000E+00
+ VMAX =066.0E+03 DELTA =1.660E+00
.MODEL 2_CUBAWCPP PMOS LEVEL=2
+ CGSO =0.370E-09 CGDO =0.370E-09 CGBO =0.064E-09
+ CJ =0.280E-03 MJ =0.496E+00 CJSW =0.100E-09 MJSW =0.260E+00
+ JS =0.200E-03 PB =0.700E-00 RSH =50.00E+00 XOC =1E+00
+ TOX =28.00E-09 XJ =0.472E-06 LD =0.475E-06 V/D =0.450E-06
+ VTO =-.650E+00 NSUB =08.50E+15 NFS =1.020E+12 NEFF =2.560E+00
+ UO =190.0E+00 UCRIT =20.20E+04 UEXP =0.245E+00 UTRA =0.000E+00
+ VMAX =045.6E+03 DELTA =3.100E+00
* worst case speed parameters
.MODEL 2_CUBAWCSN NMOS LEVEL=2
+ CGSO =0.370E-09 CGDO =0.370E-09 CGBO =0.064E-09
+ CJ =0.400E-03 MJ =0.440E+00 CJSW =0.200E-09 MJSW =0.300E+00
+ JS =0.500E-03 PB =0.800E+00 RSH =45.00E+00 XQC =1E+00
+ TOX =32.00E-09 XJ =0.570E-06 LD =0.175E-06 WD =0.750E-06
+ VTO =0.950E+00 NSUB =38.50E+15 NFS =1.160E+12 NEFF =6.310E+00
+ UO == 520 0E+00 UORIT =21.00E+04 UEXP =0.181E+10 UTRA =0.000E+00
+ VMAX =066.0E+03 DELTA =1.660E+00
.MODEL 2_CUBAWCSP PIMOS LEVEL=2
+ CGSO =0.370E-09 CGDO =0.370E-09 CGBO =0.064E-09
+ CJ =0.360E-03 MJ =0.490E+00 CJSW =0.200E-09 MJSW =0.260E+00
+ JS =0.200E-03 PB =0.700E-00 RSH =80.00E-00 XOC =1E+00
+ TOX =32.00E-09 XJ =0.472E-08 LD =0.175E-06 WD =0.750E-06
+ VTO ==.950E+00 NSUB =18.00E+15 NFS =1.020E+12 NEFF =2.560E+00
+ UO ==160 CE=00 UCRIT =20.20E+04 UEXP =0.246E+00 UTRA =0.000E+00
+ VMAX =045.6E-03 DELTA =3.100E+00
        . . . . . . . . . . .
* typical parameters with tolerances
.MODEL 2_CUBATOLN NMOS LEVEL=2
+ CGSO =0.370E-09 CGDO =0.370E-09
                         CJ =0.350E-03 DEV =0.050E-03
+ CGBO =0.064E-09
                               CJSW =0.150E-09 DEV =0.050E-09
+ MJ =0.440E+00
+ MJSW =0.300E-00
                               JS =0.500E-03
                                                DEV =10.00E+00
+ PB =0.800E+00
                               RSH =35.00E+00
+ XQC =1E+00
                               TOX=30.00E-09DEV=02.00E-09LD=0.325E-06DEV=0.150E-06
+ XJ =0.570E-06
+ WD =0.600E-06 DEV =0.150E-06 VTO =0.800E+00
                                                DEV =0.150E+00
+ NSUB =28.25E+15 DEV =10.25E+15 NFS =1.160E+12
                              UO =555.0E-00 DEV =035.0E+00
+ NEFF =6.310E+00
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+ UCRIT =21.00E+04 UEXP =0.181E+00 + UTRA =0.000E-00 VMAX =066.0E+03 + DELTA =1.660E+00 .MODEL 2_CUEATOLP PMOS LEVEL=2 CGDO =0.370E-09 + CGSO =0.370E-09 + CGBO =0.064E-09 CJ =0.320E-03 DEV =0.040E-03 =0.490E+00 CJSW =0.150E-09 DEV =0.050E-09 + M.I+ MJSW =0.260E+00 JS =0.200E-03 RSH =65.00E+00 + PB =0.700E+00 DEV =15.00E+00 + XQC = 1E - 00TOX =29.70E-09 DEV =02.00E-09 LD =0.325E-06 DEV + XJ =0.472E-06 =0.150E-06 =0.600E-06 DEV =0.150E-06 VTO =-.800E+00 DEV =0.150E+00 + WD + NSUB =13.25E+15 DEV =04.75E+15 NFS =1.020E+12 + NEFF =2.560E+00 UO =175.0E-00 DEV =015.0E-00 + UCRIT =20.20E+04 UEXP =0.245E+00 VMAX =045.6E+03 + UTRA =0.000E-00 + DELTA =3.100E+00 LIBRERIA DI COMPONENTI MOS BRAND_X * PROCESSO DA 4um ANALOGICO SINGOLO METAL, DOPPIO POLY ALIMENTAZIONE 11V CCF BRAND X 4um CMOS typical parameters MODEL COFN WMOS LEVEL=2 + CGSO =0.310E-09 CGDO =0.310E-09 CGBO =0.100E-09 + CJ =0.350E-03 MJ =0.850E+00 CJSW =0.520E-09 MJSW =0.260E+00 =6.500E-03 PB =0.670E+00 RSH =24.30E+60 XQC =0.400E+00 + JS + TOX =46.10E-09 XJ =1.000E-06 LD =0.552E-06 OXETCH=-1.27E-06 + MTO =0.824E+00 TOV =1 880E-03 NSUB =16.80E-15 NFS =0.522E+12 + UO =638.0E+00 FRC =14.90E-13 FSB =1.070E-04 VST =320.0E+07 + ECV =3.910E+06 SCM =0.191E+00 ASPNWM=0.754E+00 MODEL COFP PMOS LEVEL=2 + CGSO =0.310E-09 CGDO =0.310E-09 CGBO =0.100E-09 + CJ =0.170E-03 MJ =0.500E+00 CJSW =0.400E-09 MJSW =0.270E+00 + JS =0.650E-03 PB =0.670E+00 RSH =68.00E+00 XQC =0.400E+00 + TOX =46.10E-09 XJ =1.500E-06 LD =0.524E-06 OXETCH=-1.35E-06 + VTO =-.972E+00 TCV =1.900E-03 NSUB =02.82E+15 NFS =1.000E+12 + UO =213.0E-00 FRC =149.0E-13 FSB =3.670E-04 VST =500.0E+07 + ECV =6.030E+06 SCM =1.020E+00 ASPNWM=0.408E+00 .

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LIBRERIA DI COMPONENTI MOS (PROCESSO DA 2um) ribavata da LIA Glasser e altri "The Design and Analysis of VLSI Circuits pg. 453-460 2um nMOS * Worst-case slow parameters .MODEL NENHS NMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=50 TOX=330E-10 LD=0.19E-6 XJ=0.27E-6 + VMAX=13E4 ETA=0.25 KAPPA=0.5 NSUB=5E14 UO=650 THETA=0.1 + VTO=0.946 CGSO=2.43E-10 CGDO=2.43E-10 CJ=6.9E-5 CJSW=3.3E-10 + PB=0.7 MJ=0.5 MJSV/=0.3 NFS=1E10 .MODEL NZEROS NMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=50 TOX=330E-10 LD=0.19E-6 XJ=0.27E-6 + VMAX=13E4 ETA=0.25 KAPPA=0.5 NSUB=40E14 UD=680 THETA=0.1 + VTO=0.526 CGSO=2.43E-10 CGDO=2.43E-10 CJ=6 9E-5 CJSW=3.3E-10 + PB=0.7 MJ=0.5 MJSW=0.3 NFS=1E10 .MODEL NDEPS NMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=50 TOX=330E-10 LD=0.19E-6 XJ=0.27E-6 + VMAX=13E4 ETA=0.25 KAPPA=0.5 NSUB=50E14 UO=650 THETA=0.04 + VTO=-2.075 CGSO=2.43E-10 CGDO=2.43E-10 CJ=6.9E-3 CJSW=3.3E-10 + PB=0.7 MJ=0.5 MJSW=0.3 NFS=1E10 *deltaLpoly(one_side)=-0.125U *deltaW(one_side)=0.9U *Typical .MODEL NENHT NMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=35 TOX=300E-10 LD=3 21E-6 XJ=0.3E-6 + VMAX=15E4 ETA=0.18 KAPPA=0.5 NSUB=3.5E14 UO=700 THETA=0.095 + VTO=0.781 OGSO=2.8E-10 OGDO=2.8E-10 OJ=5.75E-5 OJSW=2.48E-10 + PB=0.7 ML=0.5 MJSW=0.3 NFS=1E10 MODEL NZEROT NMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=35 TOX=300E-10 LD=0 21E-6 XJ=0.3E-6 + VMAX=15E4 ETA=0.16 KAPPA=0.5 NSUB=2.75E14 UG=730 THETA=0.095 + VTO=0.354 CGSO=2.5E-10 CGDO=2.8E-10 CJ=5.75E-5 CUE//=2 48E-10 + PB=0.7 MJ=0.5 MJSW=0.3 NFS=1E10 IMODEL NDEPT NMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=35 TOX=500E-10 LD=0.21E-3 XJ=0.3E-8 + VMAX=15E4 ETA=0.18 KAPPA=0.5 NSUB=35E14 UO=700 THETA=0.035 + VTO=-2.231 CGSO=2.3E-10 CGDO=2.3E-10 CJ=5.75E-5 CLSW=2.48E-10 + PB=0.7 MJ=0.5 MJSW=0.3 NFS=1E10 *deitaLpoly(one side =00 *deltaW(one_side)=0.75U 'Fast IMODEL NENAF NMOS LEVEL=3 RSH=20 TOX=270E-10 LD=0.23E-6 XJ=0.33E-6 + VMAX=17E4 ETA=0.10 KAPPA=0.5 NSUB=2E14 UO=750 THETA=0.09

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*deltaW(one side)=0.6U

•As already stated L and W are the parameters to be defined early in the simulation, however there are other parameters as AD, AS, PD, and PS that have a close relation to L and W so they can defined also at the beginning. In order to have a device definition that changes all these parameters as we need to change L and W during simulation, it is convenient to define a *subcircuit* that includes the device as in the example.

•In the example we change the other parameters as a function of L and W according to the process characteristic.

•Subcircuit definition requires a **.SUBCKT** instance and a statement that has the following structure:



.SUBCKT <name> +[list of nodes] +[PARAMS :<name>=<value>] +[TEXT] .ENDS <name>

_____D G S .SUBCKT TN_2_CUBAQb S PARAMS: WN=3U LN=20 G S 2_CUBAQN W={WN} L={LN} M 1 S $AD = \{2U^*WN\}AS = \{2U^*WN\}PD = \{2U + (2^*WN)\}PS = \{2W + (2^*WN)\}PS =$ + $NRD = \{2U/WN\}NRS = \{2U/WN\}$ + .ENDS TN_2_CUBAQb * PMOS CAE D D G S S LP=2U .SUBCKT TP_2_CUBAQb S PARAMS: WP=3U D G 2_CUBAQP $W = \{WP\}$ L={LP} M 1 $AD = \{2U^*WP\}AS = \{2U^*WP\}PD = \{2U + (2^*WP)\}PS = \{2U + (2^*WP)\}$ + $NRD = \{2U/WP\}NRS = \{2U/WP\}$ +.ENDS TP_2_CUBAQb * * * * * * * * * S PARAMS: W=2U .SUBCKT CAE_12N D M 1 D G G S S O L=2U MODN $W = \{W\}$ $L = \{L\}$ $AD = \{2U^*W\}AS = \{2U^*W\}PD = \{2U + (2^*W)\}PS = \{2U + (2^*W)\}$ + $NRD = \{2U/W\}NRS = \{2U/W\}$.ENDS CAE_12N * * * CAE_12P D G S D G S S .SUBCKT CAE_12P PARAMS: W=2U L=2U MODP $W = \{W\}$ L={L} M 1 $AD = \{2U^*W\}AS = \{2U^*W\}PD = \{2U+(2^*W)\}$ $PS = \{2U+(2^*W)\}$ + + $NRD = \{2U/W\}NRS = \{2U/W\}$.ENDS CAE_12P

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8. CURRENT MIRRORS AND VOLTAGE REFERENCES

•A very useful building block in CMOS analog design is the *current mirror*, already well known in bipolar technology.

•The current mirror uses the principle that *if the gate source voltage of two identical MOS transistor are equal, the channel current should be equal.*



•Normally i_{in} is defined by a current generator or some other means and i_{out} is the mirrored current. **M1** is in saturated region as $V_{DS1} = V_{GS1}$.

Assuming that $v_{DS2} > v_{GS-VT2}$, we can use the equation (5.5) of the MOS transistor in the saturated region. So the ratio is

$$\frac{i_{out}}{i_{in}} = \frac{L_1 W_2}{L_2 W_1} \left(\frac{v_{GS} - V_{T2}}{v_{GS} - V_{T1}} \right)^2 \frac{1 + \lambda v_{DS2}}{1 + \lambda v_{DS1}} \frac{K_2'}{K_1'}$$
(8.1)

•Normally the components are identical as they are processed on the same silicon area and thus the physical parameters are the same for both devices. Also assuming that λ effect is negligible ($v_{DS2} \approx v_{DS1}$), the (8.1) simplifies as

$$\frac{i_{out}}{i_{in}} = \frac{L_1 W_2}{L_2 W_1}$$
(8.2)

consequently *i_{out}/i_{in}* is a function of the *aspect ratio* under control of the designer. It

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is evident that *Zout* seen from the drain of *M2* is equal to *rds*.

•There are many techniques that allow tight control of the aspect ratio using suitable layouts and geometries.

•The current mirrors are widely used as amplifiers load as we'll see. It's then important to evaluate their dynamic impedance (load).

• We consider first the load impedance Z_{out} of the following simple circuit.



$$I_0 = I_g + I_1 \cdots I_0 = \sqrt[v_s]{R} \cdots I_1 = \sqrt[(v_0 - v_s)]{r_{ds}}$$

$$I_{g} = -g_{m}v_{s} - g_{mbs}v_{s} = -g_{m}RI_{0} - g_{mbs}RI_{0} = -RI_{0}(g_{m} + g_{mbs})$$

$$V_{0} = I_{1}r_{ds} + v_{s} = I_{0}r_{ds} - I_{g}r_{ds} + I_{0}R = I_{0}r_{ds} + I_{0}Rr_{ds}(g_{m} + g_{mbs}) + I_{0}R$$

$$Z_{0} = \frac{V_{0}}{I_{0}} = R + r_{ds} + Rr_{ds}(g_{m} + g_{mbs}) \approx g_{m}Rr_{ds}$$
(8.3)

•We can now try to improve the previous current mirror whose Z_{out} was equal to r_{ds} with the following cascode current mirror.



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•We must remember that the small signal *vgs* is *zero* as the voltage at the gate of *M1* is defined by the one on the *M2* gate.

The *Zout* is again given by (8.3) rewritten:

$$Z_{0} = \frac{V_{0}}{I_{0}} = r_{ds1} + r_{ds2} + r_{ds1}r_{ds2}(g_{m2} + g_{mbs2}) \approx r_{ds1} + r_{ds2} + g_{m2}r_{ds1}r_{ds2}$$
(8.4)

•The current mirror in order to work properly must have the output transistors in *saturation region*, that means, remembering the (5.4):

$$V_{DS(sat)} \ge V_{GS} - V_T = \Delta V$$
(8.5)

where ΔV is just the voltage on top of the $V\tau$.

•Also we must remember that

$$i_D = K' \frac{W}{2L} (v_{GS} - V_T)^2 (1 + \lambda v_{DS}) \approx K' \frac{W}{2L} \Delta V^2$$
(8.6)

Hence being the *id* the same, we have

$$i_D = K' \frac{W_1}{2L_1} \Delta V_1^2 = K' \frac{W_2}{2L_2} \Delta V_2^2$$

and assuming M1 and M2 of the same type

$$\frac{W_1}{L_1} \Delta V_1^2 = \frac{W_2}{L_2} \Delta V_2^2$$
(8.7)

The aspect ratio W/L can be used to control ΔV .

•We show now a method to reduce *Vsat* at minimum in a cascode current mirror.



•All the transistors have the same dimensions (aspect ratio) exception for *M6* that is 4 times longer, or 4 times more narrow.

Voltage in gate of *M5* is:

 $V_{g5} = V_T + \Delta V$

Voltage in gate of *M6*, rembering, (8.7) is:

$$V_{g6} = V_T + 2\Delta V + V_{g5} = 2V_T + 3\Delta V$$

Voltage in gate of *M2* is:

$$V_{g2} = V_{g6} - V_T + \Delta V = V_T + 2\Delta V$$

while voltage in gate of *M1* is:

$$V_{g1} = V_T + \Delta V$$

•In this case, remembering (8.6), we have for **M2**:

$$V_{D2(sat)min} = V_{GS} - V_T = 2\Delta V$$

Again it's worth to remember that ΔV is controlled by the aspect ratio of the transistors.

Example

Calculate the aspect ratios for a cascode current mirror z at allows $V_{min} = 0.8V$ with an output current of $100\mu A$.

According to (8.6), and assuming the transistor parameters of pag. 7.12. we have for M1 to M5:

$$W_{L} = \frac{2i_{out}}{K' \Delta V^{2}} = \frac{2*100*10^{-6}}{17*10^{-6}*.16} = 73,5$$

while for M6 we have W/L=18,4.

•To generate a reference voltage let's consider the following circuit that is called V_T *referenced source*.



•Let's assume that M3 and M4 have the same aspect ratio, they are then a current mirror with $i_3 = i_4 = i$. let's now compute the

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voltage drop across **R1**, using (5.5), where we ignore the λ effect.

$$i = K' \frac{W_2}{2L_2} \left(V_{GS2} - V_T \right)^2 = K' \frac{W_2}{2L_2} \left(V_{R1} - V_T \right)^2$$
$$V_{R1} = V_T + \sqrt{\frac{2iL_2}{K' W_2}} \cong V_T$$

The last approximation is correct for small and W larger than L. We can also write that

$$i = \frac{V_{R1}}{R_1} = \frac{V_T}{R_1}$$

The voltage drop across **R2** is obtained through the **M5** current mirror

 $V_{R2} = \frac{\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_5}{\left(\frac{W}{L}\right)_5} V_T \frac{R_2}{R_1}$

•The current mirror and voltage reference presented here have the objective of providing stable values with respect to changes in power supply and temperature. It is easy to understand that while power supply independence is obtained, satisfactory temperature performance could not with the presented design.

•References that offer good temperature performance will be presented later.

9. SIMPLE AMPLIFIERS

•The inverter is the basic gain stage of CMOS circuits. Typically the inverter uses the common source configuration with either a resistor for a load or a current sink/source as an active load. A very common circuit is given in the following figure.



•The current through M2 is found from (5.5) assuming that $v_{DS}=v_{GS}-V_T$ In the graph the working point is given as the intersection between the **M1** characteristic and **M2** load curve.


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•From the following equivalent circuit one can obtain the small signal gain as

$$\frac{v_{OUT}}{v_{IN}} = \frac{-g_{m1}}{g_{ds1} + g_{ds2} + g_{m2}} \cong \frac{g_{m1}}{g_{m2}}$$
$$= -\frac{K'_{N} W_{1} L_{2}}{K'_{P} W_{2} L_{1}}$$



•A modified version of the inverter is shown in the following figure where the load is a current generator, that could mirror another current.

The small signal equivalent circuit misses now the second current generator and the small signal gain is obtained, using (6.1a) and (6.3a), as

$$\frac{v_{OUT}}{v_{IN}} = \frac{-g_{m1}}{g_{ds1} + g_{ds2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2K_N'W_1}{L_1I_D}} \left(\frac{-1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}\right)$$
(9.1)

We see that the gain increases as the current I_D decreases. This holds true until the transistor work in the saturation region.

Gains of -500 and little more can be obtained by this stage.

The graph gives the transfer characteristic of this type of inverter.





•Another type of inverter is the push-pull inverter given in the figure.



Transfer characteristics of CMOS inverters $(V_{T1} = \{V_{tr}\} = 0.2 V_{pub}$

The gain, using the small signal equivalent circuit and the already used formulas, is given by

(<u>4</u>4)

 $\frac{v_{OUT}}{g_{m1}} = \frac{-g_{m1} - g_{m2}}{g_{m2}}$ v_{IN} $g_{ds1} + g_{ds2}$

$$= \sqrt{2/I_D} \left(\sqrt{\frac{K_N'W_1}{L_1}} + \sqrt{\frac{K_P'W_2}{L_2}} \right) \left(\frac{-1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2} \right)$$

$$(\sqrt{L_1} \sqrt{L_2})(\pi_1 + \pi_2)$$
(9.2)

Gains in the order of -1000 can be easily obtained.

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•Differential amplifiers can be designed with CMOS technology. In the following figures two different structures are shown: one uses n-type input stage while the second uses the p-type input.





The two circuits have been simulated with models **LEVEL2** and the sub circuits given in the section 7.

The SPICE listing of the two amplifiers is given.

SUBCIRCUITS and MODELs have been written and put in a library CUBA.lib.

.SUBCKT AMP_CUBA_n VIN+ VIN- VDD VSS VOUT PARAMS: RBIAS=200K X1 2 VIN- 4 VSS TN_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WN=100U LN=10U X2 10 VIN+ 4 VSS TN_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WN=100U LN=10U X3 2 2 VDD VDD TP_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WP=30U LP=10U X4 10 2 VDD VDD TP_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WP=30U LP=10U X5 4 6 VSS VSS TN_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WN=200U LN=10U X6 6 6 VSS VSS TN 2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WN=200U LN=10U X7 VOUT 10 VDD VDD TP_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WP=100U LP=10U X8 VOUT 6 VSS VSS TN 2 CUBAQb PARAMS: WN=650U LN=5U CCOMP VOUT 10 10PF R1 VDD 6 {RBIAS} .ENDS AMP_CUBA_n .SUBCKT AMP_CUBA_p VIN+ VIN- VDD VSS VOUT PARAMS: RBIAS=200K X1 3 VIN- 2 VDD TP_2_CUBAQb PARAMS:WP=100U LP=10U X2 10 VIN+ 2 VDD TP_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WP=100U LP=10U X3 3 3 VSS VSS TN_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WN=30U LN=10U X4 10 3 VSS VSS TN_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WN=30U LN=10U X5 2 6 VDD VDD TP 2 CUBAQb PARAMS: WP=300U LP=10U X6 6 6 VDD VDD TP_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WP=300U LP=10U X7 VOUT 10 VSS VSS TN_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WN=100U LN=10U X8 VOUT 6 VDD VDD TP_2_CUBAQb PARAMS: WP=900U LP=5U CCOMP VOUT 10 10PF R1 VSS 6 {RBIAS} .ENDS AMP_CUBA_p PARAMS: WN=3U .SUBCKT TN_2_CUBAQb D G S BK LN=2U S BK 2_CUBAQN W={WN} L={LN} M1 D G $+AD=\{2U^{*}WN\}$ AS= $\{2U^{*}WN\}PD=\{2U+(2^{*}WN)\}PS=\{2U+(2^{*}WN)\}$ $+NRD=\{2U/WN\}NRS=\{2U/WN\}$.ENDS TN_2_CUBAQb * * * * * * PMOS_CAE SUBCKTTP 2 CUBAQb G S ΒK PARAMS: WP=3U D LP=2UBK 2 CUBAQP $W = \{WP\} L = \{LP\}$ M1 G S D $+AD={2U*WP} AS={2U*WP}PD={2U+(2*WP)}PS={2U+(2*WP)}$ +NRD={2U/WP} NRS={2U/WP} .ENDS TP_2_CUBAQb * * * * * 2_CUBAQ 2um CMOS * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * typical parameters .MODEL 2 CUBAQN NMOS LEVEL=2 + CGSO =0.560E-09 CGDO =0.560E-09 CGBO =0.165E-09 + CJ =0.400E-03 MJ =0.500E+00 CJSW =0.390E-09 MJSW =0.060E+00 + JS =0.020E-03 PB =0.860E+00 RSH =30.00E+00 XQC =1E+00 + TOX =31.10E-09 XJ =0.054E-06 LD =0.338E-06 WD =0.644E-06 + VTO =0.770E+00 NSUB =33.10E+15 NFS =0.293E+12 NEFF =3.560E+00 + UO =582.0E+00 UCRIT =20.90E+04 UEXP =0.235E+00 UTRA =0.000E+00 + VMAX =86.00E+03 DELTA =0E+00 .MODEL 2_CUBAQP PMOS LEVEL=2 + CGSO =0.560E-09 CGDO =0.560E-09 CGBO =0.165E-09 S.Centro, "Notes on Analog CMCS Design" December 1, 1998

+	CJ	=0.360E-03	MJ	=0.500E+00	CJSW	=0.310E-09	MJSW	=0.010E+00
+	JS	=0.040E-03	PB =	0.790E+00	RSH =8	1.00E+00	XQC =11	E+00
+	тох	=31.10E-09	XJ	=0.021E-06	LD =(0.315E-06	WD =0	.731E-06
÷	VTO	=804E+00	NSUB	=11.80E+1	5 NFS	=0.337E+1	2 NEFF	=2.030E+00
+	UO	=180.0E+00	UCRI	Γ =19.70E+04	4 UEXP	=0.219E+0	0 UTRA	=0.000E+00
+	VMA:	K =41.20E+0	3 DEL	TA =1.040E+	-00			
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•Then the following circuit has been simulated both for the n-type and p-type to find the AC and TRAN responses.



SPICE File_1 """ ANALISYS OF DIFF_AMP N_TYPE .lib CUBA.lib .TRAN 1U 400u .AC dec 10 10 20MEG Vin 100 0 ac 10m pwl(0 0V 100u 0V 110u -100mV 200u -100mV 210u 0 250U 0V +260U 100mV 360u 100mV 370u 0v 10m 0) .PROBE .OP **.TEMP 25** .PARAM RBIAS=400K .STEP PARAM RBIAS LIST 100K, 200K,400K, 800K * * * * * * * * * * * * *power supply (simmetrical) V10 VDD 0 2.5V V20 0 VSS 2.5V * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * XAMP VIN+ VIN- VDD VSS VOUT AMP_CUBA_n PARAMS: RBIAS={RBIAS} *FEEDBACK & LOAD NETWORK **RFEED VOUT VIN- 500K** RS1 VIN+ 0 100K RS2 VIN- 1000 50K RLAOD VOUT 0 50K ******* * * * * * * * ***SIGNAL NETWORK** RSIG 100 0 100K RREF 1000 0 100K CTEST 100 1000 1 .END SPICE File 2 .lib CUBA.lib *****************ANALISYS OF DIFF_AMP P_TYPE .TRAN 1U 400u .AC dec 10 10 20MEG Vin 100 0 ac 10m pwl(0 0V 100u 0V 110u -100mV 200u -100mV 210u 0 250U 0V +260U 100mV 360u 100mV 370u 0v 10m 0) .PROBE .OP .TEMP 25 .PARAM RBIAS=400K .STEP PARAM RBIAS LIST 100K, 200K,400K, 800K *power supply (simmetrical) V10 VDD 0 2.5V V20 0 VSS 2.5V * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * XAMP VIN+ VIN- VDD VSS VOUT AMP_CUBA_p PARAMS: RBIAS={RBIAS} * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *FEEDBACK & LOAD NETWORK **RFEED VOUT VIN- 500K** RS1 VIN+ 0 100K RS2 VIN- 1000 50K RLAOD VOUT 0 50K * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *SIGNAL NETWORK

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RSIG 100 0 100K RREF 1000 0 100K CTEST 100 1000 1 .END







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	2_CUBAQP	2_CUBAQN		
	PMOS	NMOS		
LEVE	EL 2	2		
L	100.000000E-06	100.00000E-06		
W	100.000000E-06	100.00000E-06		
LD	315.000000E-09	338.00000E-09		
WD	731.000000E-09	644.000000E-09		
VTO	804	.77		
KP	19.986040E-06	64.621530E-06		
GAMMA	.563673	.944061		
PHI	.703995	.75735		
RSH	81	30		
JS	40.000000E-06	20.00000E-06		
PB	.79	.86		
PBSW	.79	.86		
CJ	360.00000E-06	400.000000E-06		
CJSW	310.00000E-12	390.00000E-12		
MJSW	.01	.06		
CGSO	560.000000E-12	560.00000E-12		
CGDO	560.00000E-12	560.00000E-12		
CGBO	165.000000E-12	165.000000E-12		
NSUB	11.800000E+15	33.100000E+15		
NFS	337.000000E+09	293.000000E+09		
тох	31.100000E-09	31.100000E-09		
XJ	21.000000E-09	54.000000E-09		
UO	180	582		
UCRIT	197.000000E+03	209.00000E+03		
UEXP	.219 .	235		
VMAX	41.200000E+03	86.00000E+03		
NEFF	2.03	3.56		
DELTA	1.04			

 ***** MOSFET MODEL PARAMETERS

 NAME
 VTO
 PHI
 PB
 IS(JS)
 KP
 UO

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 7.078E-01
 7.932E-01
 2.934E-05
 2.019E-05
 1.818E+02

 2_CUBAQN
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 7.608E-01
 8.627E-01
 1.467E-05
 6.527E-05
 5.879E+02

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(100)	0.0000				,, 2.0000	(1000)	.0021
(VIN+)	0.0000	(VIN-)0032	(VOUT)	.0137	(XAMP.2) .7966
(XAMP.4)	-1.4707	(XAMP.6) -1.4446	(XAMP. ⁻	10)2187		

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VGS VDS VBS VTH	1.47E+00 2.27E+00 -1.03E+00 1.24E+00	1.47E+00 1.25E+00 -1.03E+00 1.24E+0	 -1.70E+00 -1.70E+00 0.00E+00 -8.51E-01 	-1.70E+00 -2.72E+00 0.00E+00 -8.50E-01	1.06E+00 1.03E+00 0.00E+00 8.14E-01
VDSAT	2.03E-01	2.05E-01	-6.92E-01	-6.93E-01	1.92E-01
GM	<u>1.44E-04</u>	1.44E-04	4.39 <u>E-05</u>	4.45E-05	2.72E-04
GDS GMB CBD CBS CGSOV CGDOV CGDOV	2.00E-07 4.82E-05 1.08E-13 1.29E-13 5.53E-14 5.53E-14 1.54E-15	2.62E-07 4.83E-05 1.15E-13 1.29E-13 5.53E-14 5.53E-14 1.54E-15	2.59E-07 1.21E-05 3.11E-14 4.08E-14 1.60E-14 1.60E-14 1.55E-15	1.91E-07 1.23E-05 2.92E-14 4.08E-14 1.60E-14 1.60E-14 1.55E-15	5.28E-07 1.36E-04 2.57E-13 3.16E-13 1.11E-13 1.54E-15
CGS CGD CGB	6.81E-13 0.00E+00 0.00E+00	6.81E-13 0.00E+00 0.00E+00	1.98E-13 0.00E+00 0.00E+00	1.98E-13 0.00E+00 0.00E+00	0.00E+00 0.00E+00
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VGS VDS VBS VTH VDSAT GM	1.06E+00 1.06E+00 0.00E+00 8.14E-01 1.92E-01 2.72E-04	-2.72E+00 -2.51E+00 0.00E+00 -8.49E-01 -1.49E+00 2.93E-04	1.06E+00 2.49E+00 0.00E+00 8.00E-01 2.01E-01 2.07E-03		
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NODE	VOLTAGE	NODE	VOLTAGE	NODE	VOLTAGE	NODE	VOLTAGE
(100)	0.0000	(VDD)	2.5000	(VSS)	-2.5000	(1000)	0012
(VIN+)	0.0000	(VIN-)	0019	(VOUT)	0080	(XAMP.2)	1.0497
(XAMP.4)	-1.4113	(XAMP.6)	-1.5274 ()	XAMP.10)	.3020		

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NAME	XAMP.X1.M1	XAMP.X2.N	11 XAMP.X3.I	M1 XAMP.X4	I.M1 XAMP.X5.M1
MODEL	2_CUBAQN	2_CUBAQN	2_CUBAQP	2_CUBAQP	2_CUBAQN
ID	1.00E-05	1.01E-05	-1.00E-05	-1.01E-05	2.02E-05
VGS	1.41E+00	1.41E+00	-1.45E+00	-1.45E+00	9.73E-01
VDS	2.46E+00	1.71E+00	-1.45E+00	-2.20E+00	1.09E+00
VBS	-1.09E+00	-1.09E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
VTH	1 26E+00	1.26E+00	-8.51E-01	-8.50E-01	8.14E-01
VDSAT	1.46E-01	1.47E-01	-4.95E-01	-4.95E-01	1.37E-01
GM	1.03E-04	1.03E-04	3.13E-05	<u>3.16E-05</u>	<u>1.94E-04</u>
GDS	1.23E-07	1.44E-07	1.40E-07	1.09E-07	3.12E-07
GMB	3.42E-05	3.43E-05	9.02E-06	9.10E-06	9.89E-05
CBD	1.07E-13	1.11E-13	3.18E-14	3.01E-14	2.55E-13
CBS	1.28E-13	1.28E-13	4.08E-14	4.08E-14	3.16E-13
CGSOV	5.53E-14	5.53E-14	1.60E-14	1.60E-14	1.11E-13
CGDOV	5.53E-14	5.53E-14	1.60E-14	1.60E-14	1.11E-13
CGBOV	1.54E-15	1.54E-15	1.55E-15	1.55E -1 5	1.54E-15
CGS	6.81E-13	6.81E-13	1.98E-13	1.98E-13	1.37E-12
CGD	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
CGB	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
NAME	XAMP.X6.M1	XAMP.X7.M	1 XAMP.X8.	M 1	
MODEL	2_CUBAQN	2_CUBAQP	2_CUBAQN		
ID	2.01E-05	<u>-1.66E-04</u>	1.66E-04		
VGS	9.73E-01	-2.20E+00	9.73E-01		
VDS	9.73E-01	-2.51E+00	2.49E+00		
VBS	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00		
VTH	8.14E-01	-8.49E-01	8.00E-01		
VDSAT	1.37E-01	-1.08E+00	1.46E-01		
<u>GM</u>	1.94E-04	2.40E-04	<u>1.50E-03</u>		
GDS	3.29E-07	1.82E-06	3.51E-06		
GMB	9.87E-05	6.09E-05	7.46E-04		
CBD	2.59E-13	9.69E-14	7.31E-13		
CBS	3.16E-13	1.34E-13	1.03E-12		
CGSOV	1.11E-13	5.52E-14	3.63E-13		
CGDOV	1.11E-13	5.52E-14	3.63E-13		
CGBOV	1.54E-15	1.55E-15	7.13E-16		

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CGS CGD CGB	1.37E-12 0.00E+00 0.00E+00	6.83E-13 0.00E+00 0.00E+00	2.08E-12 0.00E+00 0.00E+00
****	SMALL SIGNAL	BIAS SOLUTI	TION TEMPERATURE = 25.000 DEG C
****	CURRENT STE	P	PARAM RBIAS = 400.0000E+03
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(100)	0.0000	(VDD)	2.5000	(VSS) -2.500	0 (1000)	-760.5E-06
(VIN+)	0.0000	(VIN-)	0011	(VOUT)	0049	(XAMP.2)	1.2334
(XAMP.4)	-1.3687	(XAMP.6) -	1.5872	(XAMP.10)	.6755		

**** MOSFETS

NAME	XAMP.X1.M1	XAMP.X2.M	1 XAMP.X3.	M1 XAMP.X4	.M1 XAMP.X5.M1
MODEL	2_CUBAQN	2_CUBAQN	2_CUBAQP	2_CUBAQP	2_CUBAQN
ID	<u>5.11E-06</u>	<u>5.15E-06</u>	-5.11E-06	-5.15E-06	<u>1.03E-05</u>
VGS	1.37E+00	1.37E+00	-1.27E+00	-1.27E+00	9.13E-C1
VDS	2.60E+00	2.04E+00	-1.27E+00	-1.82E+00	1.13E+00
VBS	-1.13E+00	-1.13E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
VTH	1.27E+00	1.27E+00	-8.51E-01	-8.51E-01	8.14E-01
VDSAT	1.04E-01	1.05E-01	-3.53E-01	-3.53E-01	9.79E-02
GM	7.34E-05	7.36E-05	2.22E-05	2.24E-05	<u>1.38E-04</u>
GDS	7.77E-08	8.65E-08	7.60E-08	6.19E-08	1.92E-07
GMB	2.43E-05	2.44E-05	6.64E-06	6.69E-06	7.12E-05
CBD	1.06E-13	1.09E-13	3.24E-14	3.09E-14	2.54E-13
CBS	1.27E-13	1.27E-13	4.08E-14	4.08E-14	3.16E-13
CGSOV	5.53E-14	5.53E-14	1.60E-14	1.60E-14	1.11E-13
CGDOV	5.53E-14	5.53E-14	1.60E-14	1.60E-14	1.11E-13
CGBOV	1.54E-15	1.54E-15	1.55E-15	1.55E-15	1.54E-15
CGS	6.81E-13	6.81E-13	1.98E-13	1.98E-13	1.37E-12
CGD	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
CGB	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
NAME	XAMP.X6.M1	XAMP.X7.M	1 XAMP.X8.	M1	
MODEL	2_CUBAQN	2_CUBAQP	2_CUBAQN		
ID	1.02E-05	-8.85E-05	<u>8.86E-05</u>		
VGS	9.13E-01	-1.82E+00	9.13E-01		
VDS	9.13E-01	-2.51E+00	2.50E+00		
VBS	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00		
VTH	8.14E-01	-8.49E-01	8.00E-01		
VDSAT	9.77E-02	-7.89E-01	1.07E-01		
GM	1.38E-04	<u>1.75E-04</u>	<u>1.09E-03</u>		
GDS	2.11E-07	9.10E-07	2.27E-06		
GMB	7.10E-05	4.69E-05	5.50E-04		
CBD	2.61E-13	9.70E-14	7.31E-13		

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3.16E-13	1.34E-13	1.03E-12
1.11E-13	5.52E-14	3.63E-13
1.11E-13	5.52E-14	3.63E-13
1.54E-15	1.55E-15	7.13E-16
1.37E-12	6.83E-13	2.08E-12
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****	CURRENT STEP	PARAM RBIAS = 800.0000E+03
****	SMALL SIGNAL BIAS SOLUTION	TEMPERATURE = 25.000 DEG C

NODE VOLTAGE NODE VOLTAGE NODE VOLTAGE NODE VOLTAGE

(100) 0.0000 (VDD) 2.5000 (VSS) -2.5000 (1000)-486.7E-06 (VIN+) 0.0000 (VIN-)-730.1E-06 (VOUT) -.0032 (XAMP.2) 1.3657 (XAMP.4) -1.3382 (XAMP.6) -1.6301 (XAMP.10) .9441

**** MOSFETS

NAME XAMP.X1.M1 XAMP.X2.M1 XAMP.X3.M1 XAMP.X4.M1 XAMP.X5.M1 MODEL 2_CUBAQN 2_CUBAQP 2_CUBAQP 2 CUBAQN 2 CUBAQN -2.59E-06 -2.61E-06 5.20E-06 ID 2.59E-06 <u>2.61E-06</u> VGS 1.34E+00 1.34E+00 -1.13E+00 -1.13E+00 8.70E-01 VDS 1.16E+00 2.70E+00 2.28E+00 -1.13E+00 -1.56E+00 VBS -1.16E+00 -1.16E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 VTH -8.51E-01 8.14E-01 1.28E+00 1.28E+00 -8.51E-01 VDSAT 7.45E-02 -2.51E-01 -2.51E-01 6.96E-02 7.42E-02 9.81E-05 GM 5.23E-05 5.25E-05 1.58E-05 1.59E-05 GDS 1.23E-07 5.07E-08 5.47E-08 4.15E-08 3.51E-08 GMB 1.72E-05 1.73E-05 4.84E-06 4.87E-06 5.10E-05 CBD 1.05E-13 1.07E-13 3.29E-14 3.15E-14 2.53E-13 CBS 1.27E-13 1.27E-13 4.08E-14 4.08E-14 3.16E-13 CGSOV 5.53E-14 5.53E-14 1.60E-14 1.60E-14 1.11E-13 CGDOV 5.53E-14 5.53E-14 1.60E-14 1.60E-14 1.11E-13 CGBOV 1.54E-15 1.54E-15 1.55E-15 1.55E-15 1.54E-15 CGS 6.81E-13 6.81E-13 1.98E-13 1.37E-12 1.98E-13 CGD 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 CGB .0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 NAME XAMP.X6.M1 XAMP.X7.M1 XAMP.X8.M1 MODEL 2 CUBAQN 2 CUBAQP 2 CUBAQN <u>ID</u> 5.16E-06 -4.79E-05 4.79E-05 VGS 8.70E-01 -1.56E+00 8.70E-01 VDS 8.70E-01 -2.50E+00 2.50E+00 VBS 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 VTH 8.14E-01 -8.49E-01 8.00E-01 7.86E-02 VDSAT 6.94E-02 -5.80E-01 9.77E-05 8.03E-04 GM 1.28E-04 GDS 1.38E-07 4.79E-07 1.52E-06 GMB 5.08E-05 3.59E-05 4.08E-04 CBD 2.63E-13 9.70E-14 7.31E-13 CBS 3.16E-13 1.34E-13 1.03E-12 CGSOV 1.11E-13 5.52E-14 3.63E-13 CGDOV 1.11E-13 5.52E-14 3.63E-13 CGBOV 1.54E-15 1.55E-15 7.13E-16 CGS 1.37E-12 6.83E-13 2.08E-12

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 CGB
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•Based on the previous amplifier we can built a precise *bandgap voltage reference*.

•The principle is trying to generate a voltage reference with zero tempo, adding in a proper way two voltage sources with opposite *tempco*.

•The structure is the one in the following scheme.



•Let's analyze the simple circuit assuming that **X1** has infinite gain (op.amp.):

$$\frac{V_{OUT} - V_{IN-}}{R_1} = \frac{V_{IN-} - V_{B1}}{R_2}$$

Being

$$V_{IN-} = V_{IN+} = V_{B2}$$
(9.4)

(9.3)

we get

$$V_{OUT} = \frac{R_1}{R_2} (V_{B2} - V_{B1}) + V_{B2}$$
(9.5)

Remembering, (2.3), that

$$I_{D1} \approx I_S e^{V_{B1}/V_T}$$

and

$$I_{D2} \approx I_S e^{V_{B2}} / V_T$$

taking into account the ratio

$$I_{D2} = n\dot{I}_{D1}$$

we can compute the difference (*VB2-VB1*) between the two junction voltages and the (9.5) becomes

$$V_{OUT} = \frac{R_1}{R_2} V_T \ln(n) + V_{B2}$$

It is worth to remind that

$$V_T = \frac{kT}{q}$$

(9.7)

and n is the ratio between the currents through R_3 and R_1 . In fact n is also the ratio of the two resistances.

•The requirement is to have zero *tempco* for *V_{OUT}*, that means to have the derivative zero.

$$\frac{\partial V_{OUT}}{\partial T} = \frac{R_1}{R_2} \frac{\partial V_T}{\partial T} \ln(n) - 2.2 * 10^{-3} = 0$$
(9.8)
$$\frac{R_1}{R_2} \frac{k}{q} \ln(n) = 2.2 * 10^{-3}$$
(9.9)
$$\frac{R_1}{R_2} \ln(n) = 2.2 * 10^{-3} \frac{1.6 * 10^{-19}}{1.38 * 10^{-23}} = 25.6$$
(9.10)

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•In this conditions we have

$$V_{OUT} = 25.6 * 26 mV + 600 mV = 1.24 V$$
 (9.11)

that corresponds to the *bandgap voltage V_{GO}*.

•We just remind here the definition of bandgap voltage, V_{GO} .

•The junction voltage V_{BE} , can be expressed by

$$V_{BE} \cong V_{GO} - \frac{kT}{q} \ln \frac{const}{I_C}$$
(9.11)

that can be easily compared with (9.6), from which we understand that

$$V_{OUT} = V_{GO} \tag{9.12}$$

In our case we would have

 $V_{OUT} = \frac{60}{3.65} * 26 \, mV \ln(6) + 600 \, mV = \approx 1.3 \, V$

The correct value will be obtained with simulation. V_{GO} is the extrapolated value of V_{BE} at $T[^{\circ}K]=0$.

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•It should be noted that pnp transistor are obtained in CMOS technology with the so called *lateral bipolar*. The base is the n-well (p substrate) while source and drain are emitter and collector (or viceversa). To control the value *n* one can also play with the transistor dimensions, changing the current density through the emitter base junction.

•The SPICE circuit description follows.

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SPICE File_1 .PROBE	
.OP	
TRAN 10N 2u	
.TEMP 0, 25, 50	
LIB MY-BJT.LIB	
Q1 0 0 1 QBFT92	
Q2 0 0 VIN+ QBFT92	
R1 VOUT VIN- 60K	
R2 VIN- 1 3.5K	
R3 VOUT VIN+ 10K	
X1 VIN+ VIN- VDD VSS VOUT AMP CUBA n PARAMS: RBIAS=100K	
** POWER SPPLY	
V1 VDD 0 2.5	
V2 0 VSS 2.5	
.END ************************************	
SPICE File 2	
.PROBE	
.OP	
TRAN 10N 2u	
.TEMP 0, 25, 50	
.LIB CUBA.LIB	
.LIB MY-BJT.LIB	
Q1 0 0 1 QBFT92	
Q2 0 0 VIN+ QBFT92	
R1 VOUT VIN- 60K	
R2 VIN- 1 3.6536K	
R3 VOUT VIN+ 10K	
X1 VIN+ VIN- VDD VSS VOUT AMP_CUBA_n PARAMS: RBIAS=100K	
** POWER SPPLY	
V1 VDD 0 2.5	
V2 0 VSS 2.5	
.END ************************************	
SPICE File_3	
.PROBE	
.OP	
TRAN 10N 3u	
.TEMP 0, 25, 50	
.LIB CUBA.LIB	
.LIB MY-BJT.LIB	
Q1 0 0 1 QBFT92	
Q2 0 0 VIN+ QBF192	
R1 VOUT VIN- 60K	
H2 VIN- 1 3.85K	
K3 VOUT VINH TUK	
X1 VIN+ VIN- VDD VSS VOUT AMP_CUBA_n PARAMS: RBIAS=100K	
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V1 VDD 0 2.5	
V2 0 VSS 2.5	
.END	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *

•The three listings differ only for **R2** value. The circuit has been simulated for three different temperatures and the one with the **R2**=3.6536K has the lowest tempo.



The tempco's are -400μ V/ $^{\circ}$ C, -300μ V/ $^{\circ}$ C, -330μ V/ $^{\circ}$ C. The nominal value at 25 $^{\circ}$ C is 1.2062V. The biasing for the best value, at 25 $^{\circ}$ C, is given below.

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SPICE File_2

**** OPERATING POINT INFORMATION TEMPERATURE = 25.000 DEG C

**** BIPOLAR JUNCTION TRANSISTORS

NAME	Q1 Q2	
MODEL	QBFT92	QBFT92
IB	-3.05E-07	-1.82E-06
IC	-1.09E-05	-6.49E-05
VBE	-4.94E-01	-5.39E-01
VBC	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
VCE	-4.94E-01	-5.39E-01
BETADC	3.57E+01	3.57E+01
GM	4.23E-04	2.52E-03
RPI	8.42E+04	1.41E+04
RX	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
RO	2.21E+06	3.70E+05
CBE	1.33E-12	1.43E-12
CBC	1.04E-12	1.04E-12
CBX	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
CJS	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
BETAAC	3.57E+01	3.57E+01
FT	2.84E+07	1.62E+08

**** MOSFETS

NAME	X1.X1.M1	X1.X2.M1	X1.X3.M1 X	1.X4.M1 X	1.X5.M1
MODEL	2_CUBAQN	2_CUBAQN	2_CUBAQP	2_CUBAQP	2_CUBAQN
ID	1.97E-05	2.00E-05	-1.97E-05	-2.00E-05	3.96E-05
VGS	1.60E+00	1.60E+00	-1.70E+00	-1.70E+00	1.06E+00
VDS	1.86E+00	4.18E-01	-1.70E+00	-3.15E+00	1.44E+00
VBS	-1.44E+00	-1.44E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
VTH	1.37E+00	1.37E+00	-8.51E-01	-8.50E-01	8.14E-01
VDSAT	2.06E-01	2.08E-01	-6.93E-01	-6.94E-01	1.93E-01
GM	1.45E-04	1.46E-04	4.40E-05	4.47E-05	2.73E-04
GDS	2.24E-07	4.32E-07	2.59E-07	1.76E-07	4.48E-07
GMB	4.42E-05	4.42E-05	1.21E-05	1.23E-05	1.37E-04
CBD	1.08E-13	1.19E-13	3.11E-14	2.86E-14	2.46E-13
CBS	1.23E-13	1.23E-13	4.08E-14	4.08E-14	3.16E-13
CGSOV	5.53E-14	5.53E-14	1.60E-14	1.60E-14	1.11E-13
CGDOV	5.53E-14	5.53E-14	1.60E-14	1.60E-14	1.11E-13
CGBOV	1.54E-15	1.54E-15	1.55E - 15	1.55E-15	1.54E-15
CGS	6.81E-13	6.81E-13	1.98E-13	1.98E-13	1.37E-12

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CGD 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 CGB 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00
NAME X1.X6.M1 X1.X7.M1 X1.X8.M1 MODEL 2_CUBAQN 2_CUBAQP 2_CUBAQN ID 3.94E-05 -3.98E-04 3.20E-04 VGS 1.06E+00 -3.15E+00 1.06E+00 VDS 1.06E+00 -1.29E+00 3.71E+00 VBS 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 VTH 8.14E-01 -8.50E-01 7.99E-01 GM 2.72E-04 2.23E-04 2.10E-03 GDS 5.22E-07 1.48E-04 4.57E-06 GMB 1.36E-04 5.15E-05 1.03E-03 CBD 2.57E-13 1.06E-13 6.85E-13 CBS 3.16E-13 1.34E-13 1.03E-12 CGSOV 1.11E-13 5.52E-14 3.63E-13 CGDOV 1.11E-13 5.52E-14 3.63E-13 CGBOV 1.54E-15 1.55E-15 7.13E-16 CGS 1.37E-12 5.39E-13 2.08E-12 CGD 0.00E+00 4.34E-13 0.00E+00 CGB 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 **** 01/30/96 12:04:29 ****** PSpice 6.0 (Jan 1994) *****
SPICE File_2
***** INITIAL TRANSIENT SOLUTION TEMPERATURE = 25.000 DEG C
NODE VOLTAGE NODE VOLTAGE NODE VOLTAGE
(1) .4935 (VDD) 2.5000 (VSS) -2.5000 (VIN+) .5394
(VIN-) .5344 (VOUT) 1.2062 (X1.2) .7953 (X1.4) -1.0639
(X1.6) -1.4446 (X1.10)6456
VOLTAGE SOURCE CURRENTS NAME CURRENT
V1 -4.769E-04 V2 -3.990E-04

TOTAL POWER DISSIPATION 2.19E-03 WATTS