

3. A silicon *p*-channel (*n*-substrate) MOS capacitor with a polysilicon gate heavily doped with boron ( $E_f = E_V$ ) has a substrate doping of  $N_d = 2 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  and an oxide thickness of  $x_{ox} = 2 \text{ nm}$ . There are no significant interface charges. The device is biased such that the voltage dropped across the oxide is 0.5 V (more positive toward gate).

(a) Calculate the charge in the semiconductor and on the gate. What mode is the device operating in? (10)

$$V_{ox} = \frac{Q_g}{C_{ox}} = -\frac{Q_s}{C_{ox}} \quad (\text{no oxide charges})$$

$$C_{ox} = \frac{k_{ox} \epsilon_0}{x_{ox}} = \frac{3.9 \times 8.854 \times 10^{-14} \text{ F/cm}}{2 \times 10^{-7} \text{ cm}} = 1.73 \times 10^{-6} \text{ F/cm}^2$$

$$Q_g = 0.5 \text{ V} \times 1.73 \times 10^{-6} \text{ F/cm}^2 = 8.6 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C/cm}^2$$

$$Q_s = -Q_g = -8.6 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C/cm}^2 < 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\text{accumulation of electrons in } n\text{-substrate}}$$

(b) What is the applied voltage between the gate and substrate? (12)

$$V_{GB} = V_{FB} + V_s + \Delta V_{ox} = \phi_{MS} + V_s + V_{ox}$$

$$\phi_M = \chi_s + E_g, \quad \phi_S = \chi_s + \frac{kT}{q} \ln \frac{N_c}{N_d} = \chi_s + 0.07 \text{ V}$$

$$\phi_{MS} = 1.12 - 0.07 = 1.05 \text{ V}$$

$V_s \approx 0$  in accumulation

$$V_{GB} = 1.05 + 0.5 = 1.55 \text{ V}$$

4. A silicon n-channel MOS transistor has an oxide thickness of 2 nm, uniform substrate doping of  $N_a = 2 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  and  $W = 300\text{nm}$  and  $L = 100\text{nm}$ .  $V_T = 0.4 \text{ V}$  with  $V_S = V_B = 0 \text{ V}$ . Assume  $\mu'_n = 150 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$  in the inversion layer.

- (a) If the gate metal work function is 4.0V, what must the oxide interface charges be (assume no charges in bulk of oxide)? (12)

$$V_T = V_{FB} - 2\phi_F - \frac{Q'_{d,max}}{C_{ox}}$$

$$V_{FB} = \phi_{MS} - \frac{Q'_{SS}}{C_{ox}}$$

$$\phi_F = \phi_P = -\frac{kT}{q} \ln\left(\frac{N_d}{n_i}\right) = 0.495$$

$$\phi_S = \chi_s + E_g - \frac{kT}{q} \ln\left(\frac{N_V}{N_a}\right) = 4.05 + 1.12 - 0.07$$

$$Q'_{d,max} = -\sqrt{2qK_s\epsilon_0 N_d |1-2\phi_F|}$$

$$= [2(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})(11.8 \times 8.854 \times 10^{-14} \text{ F}/\text{cm})](2 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}) 0.99$$

$$= 8.14 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C/cm}^2$$

$$Q'_{SS} = C_{ox}' [0.99 - 1.1 + 0.47 - 0.4] \\ = -6.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ C/cm}^2$$

- (b) Calculate the change in threshold voltage with the change in channel to substrate bias ( $\delta$ ) for  $V_{SB} = 0$ . (12)

$$\delta = \frac{C_d}{C_{ox}} \\ = \frac{4.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ F}}{1.73 \times 10^{-6} \text{ F/cm}^2} \\ = 0.24$$

$$C_d' = \frac{K_s \epsilon_0}{x_d} \\ = \frac{(11.8)(8.854 \times 10^{-14} \text{ F}/\text{cm})}{2.54 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}} \\ = 4.1 \times 10^{-7} \text{ F/cm}^2$$

$$x_d = \frac{Q'_{d,max}}{q N_a} = \frac{8.14 \times 10^{-7} \text{ C/cm}^2}{(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})(2 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3})} \\ = 2.54 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}$$

- (c) If  $V_S = V_B = 0 \text{ V}$  and  $V_G = 2 \text{ V}$ , what drain voltage would bring the transistor to the edge of saturation. (Use full or linearized model). (8)

$$V_{DS}^{Sat} = \frac{V_{GS} - V_T}{1 + \delta} = \frac{2 - 0.4}{1.24} = 1.29 \text{ V}$$

(d) For  $V_D = 2V$  (and  $V_S = V_B = 0V$ ,  $V_G = 2.0V$ ), determine the operating mode and calculate the drain current. Include channel length modulation if appropriate. (14)

$$V_{DS} = 2V > V_{DS}^{sat} \\ V_{DS} = 1.29V \quad L = L - \Delta L \\ = 8 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}$$

$$\Delta L = \left[ \frac{2K_s \epsilon_0 (V_{DS} - V_{DS}^{sat})}{q N_a} \right]^{1/2} \\ = \left[ \frac{2(11.8)(8.854 \times 10^{-14} \text{ F})(0.6V)}{(1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C})(2 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3})} \right]^{1/2} \\ = 2.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}$$

$$I_{DS}^{sat} = \mu_n \frac{W}{L} C_{ox} \frac{(V_{DS}^{sat} - V_T)^2}{2 + 1 + \delta} \\ = (1.6 \times 10^{-9} \text{ C})(150 \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{V.s}}) \left( \frac{300}{80} \right) \left( 1.73 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\text{F}}{\text{cm}^2} \right)$$

$$\times \frac{(2 - 0.4)^2}{2 + 1.24}$$

$$= 1.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ A} = 1 \text{ mA}$$

$$\Sigma_{off} = \frac{V_{GS} + V_T + 0.2}{6t_{ox}} = 2.2 \times 10^6 \frac{\text{V}}{\text{cm}}$$

$\mu_n' \approx 90 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V.s}$  from plot, but use 150

(e) Sketch the band diagram in channel near drain if  $V_G = 2.0V$ ,  $V_D = 2V$ , and  $V_B = V_S = 0V$ . What is the voltage dropped across the semiconductor? (12)

$V_{DS} > V_{DS}^{sat}$ , so drain end of channel not inverted

$$V_{GB} = V_{FB} + V_S + \frac{\sqrt{2K_s \epsilon_0 q N_a V_S}}{C_{ox}} \\ = -\phi_{MS} - \frac{Q_{SS}}{C_{ox}} + V_S + 0.47\sqrt{V_S}$$

$$2 = -1.1 + 0.4 + V_S + 0.47\sqrt{V_S}$$

$$x = \sqrt{V_S}$$

$$x^2 + 0.47x - 3.06 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-0.47 \pm \sqrt{(0.47)^2 + 4(3.06)}}{2}$$

$$= 1.53$$

$$V_S = 2.34 \text{ V}$$

