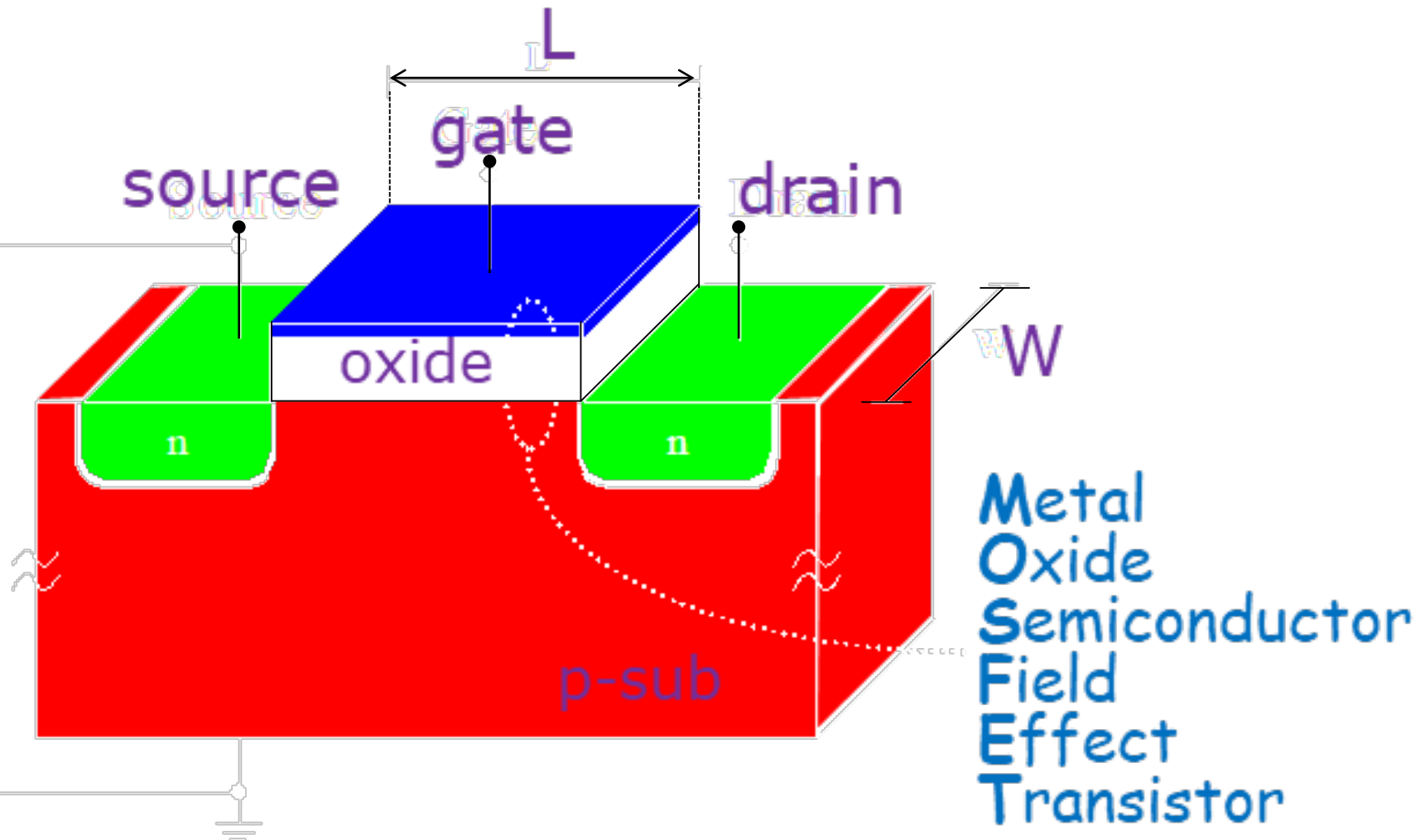


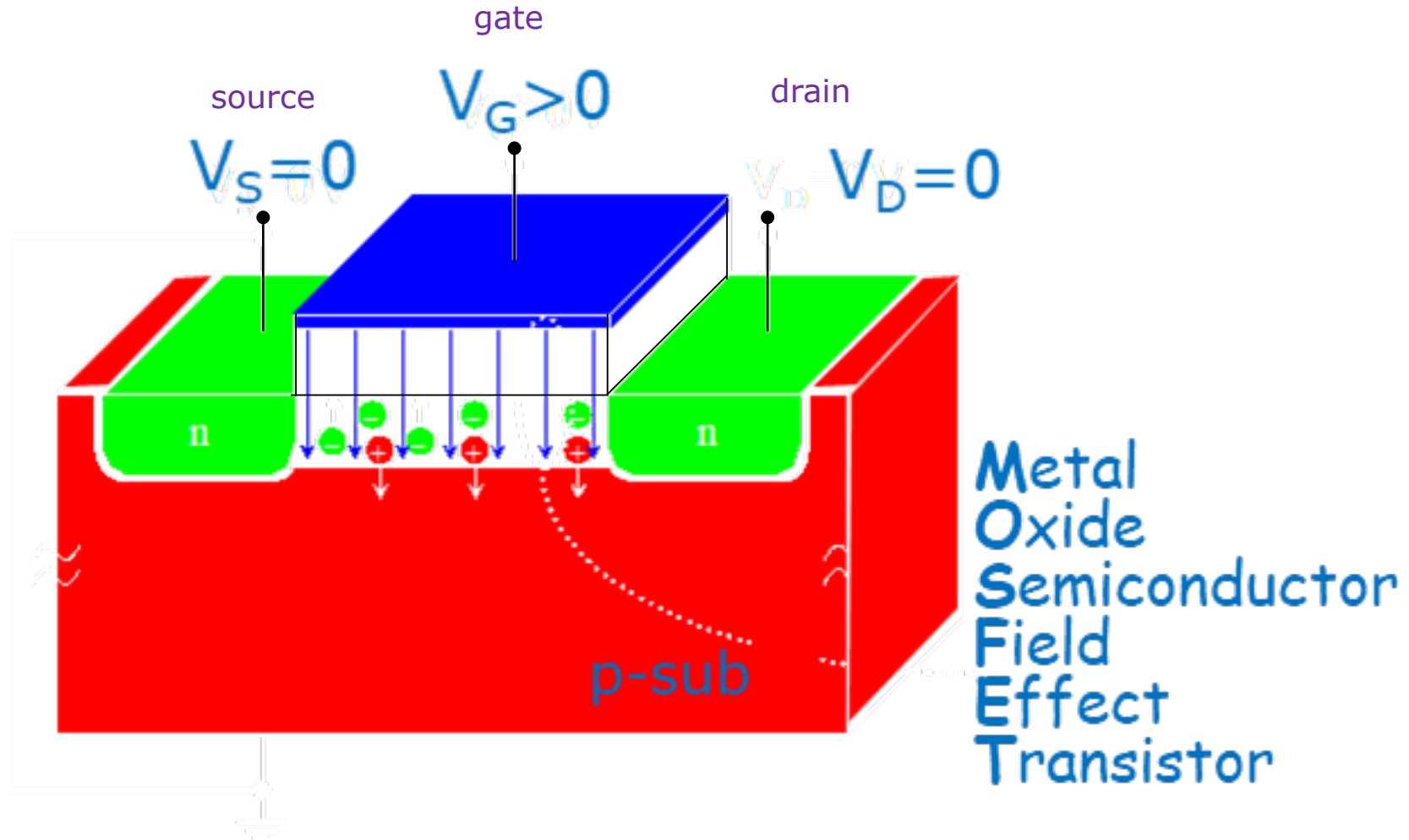
# MOSFET operating principle - I

Basic structure of an n-channel enhancement MOS transistor



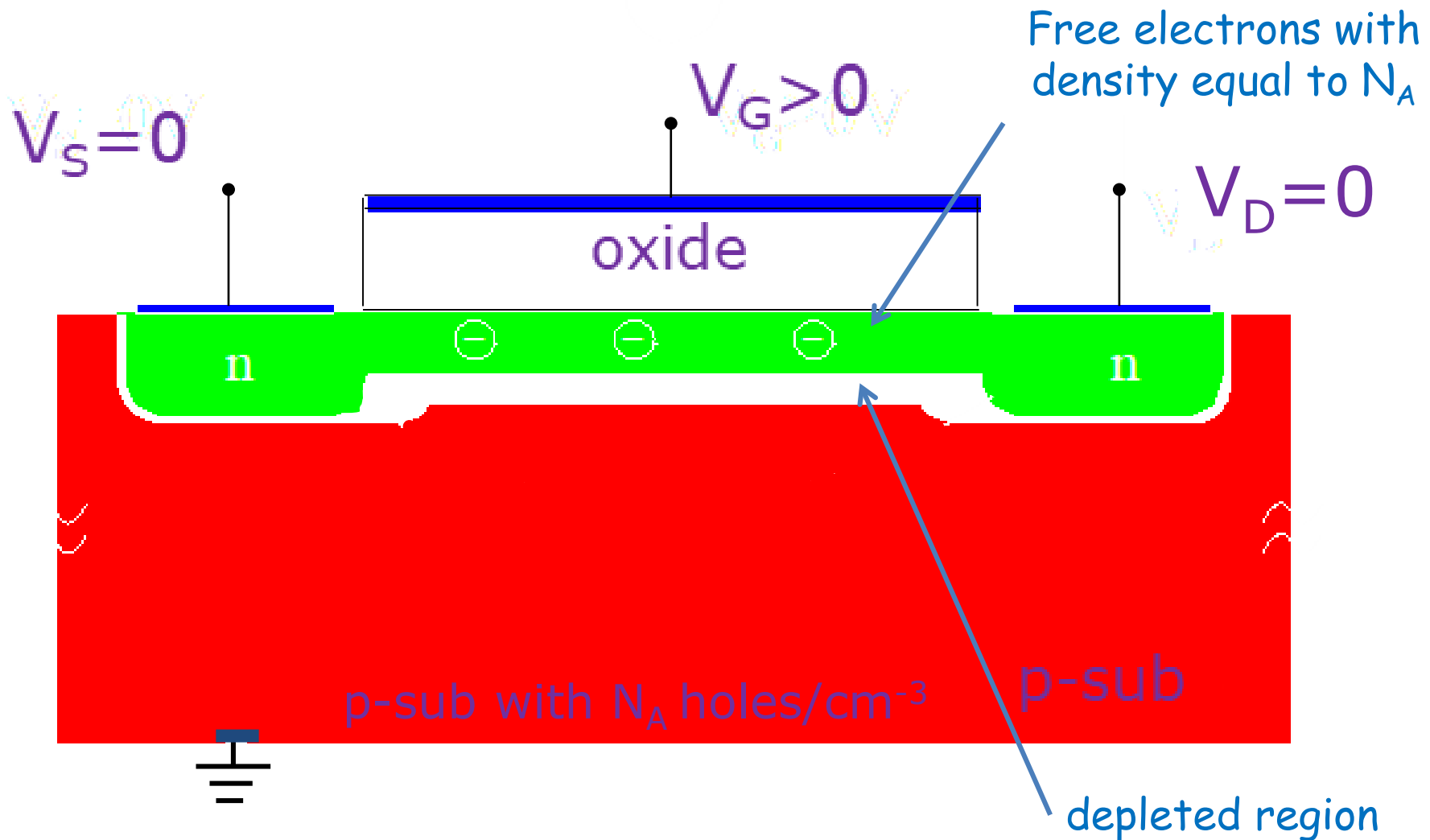
# MOSFET operating principle - II

## The gate contact

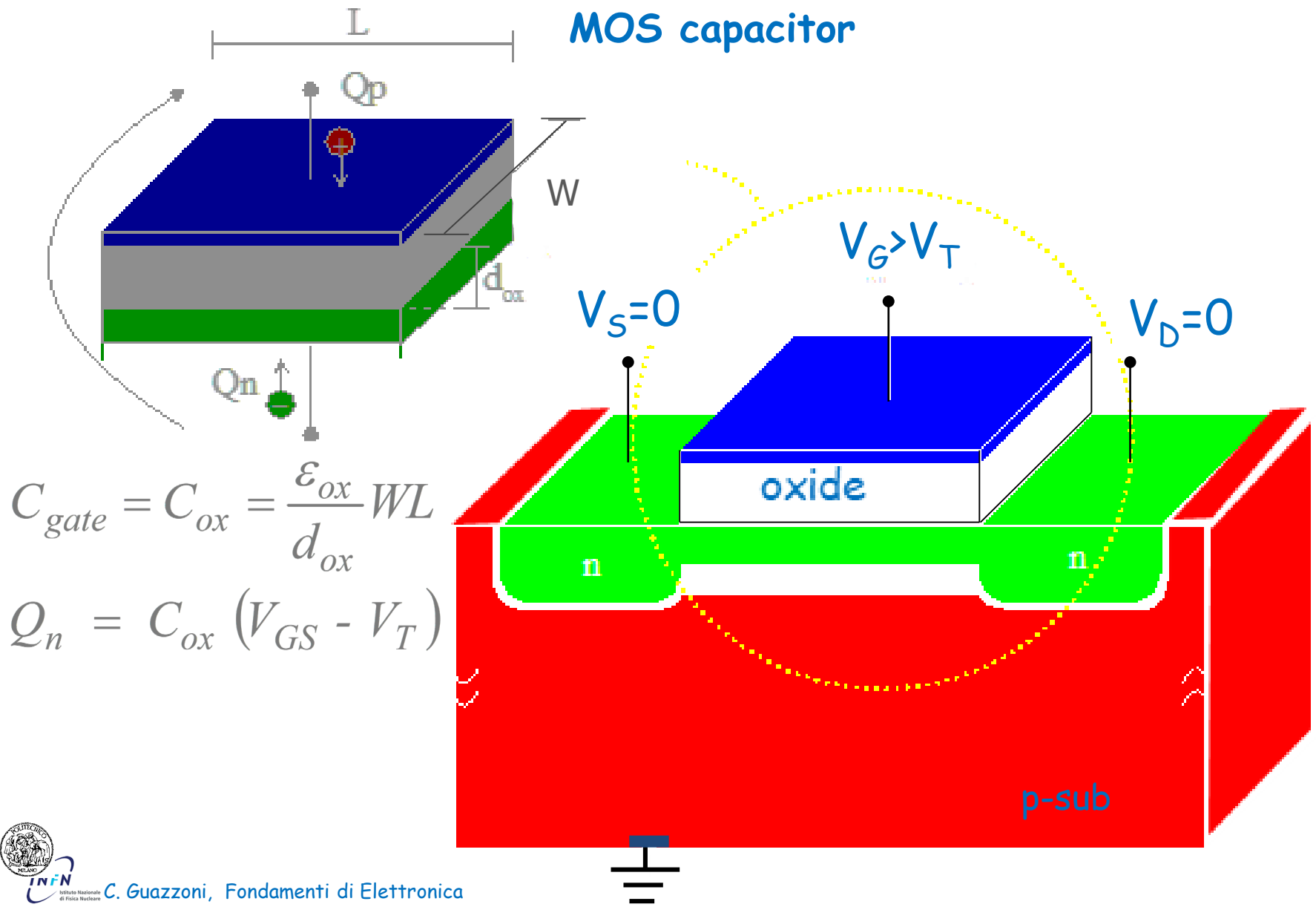


# MOSFET operating principle - III

## The threshold voltage: INVERSION



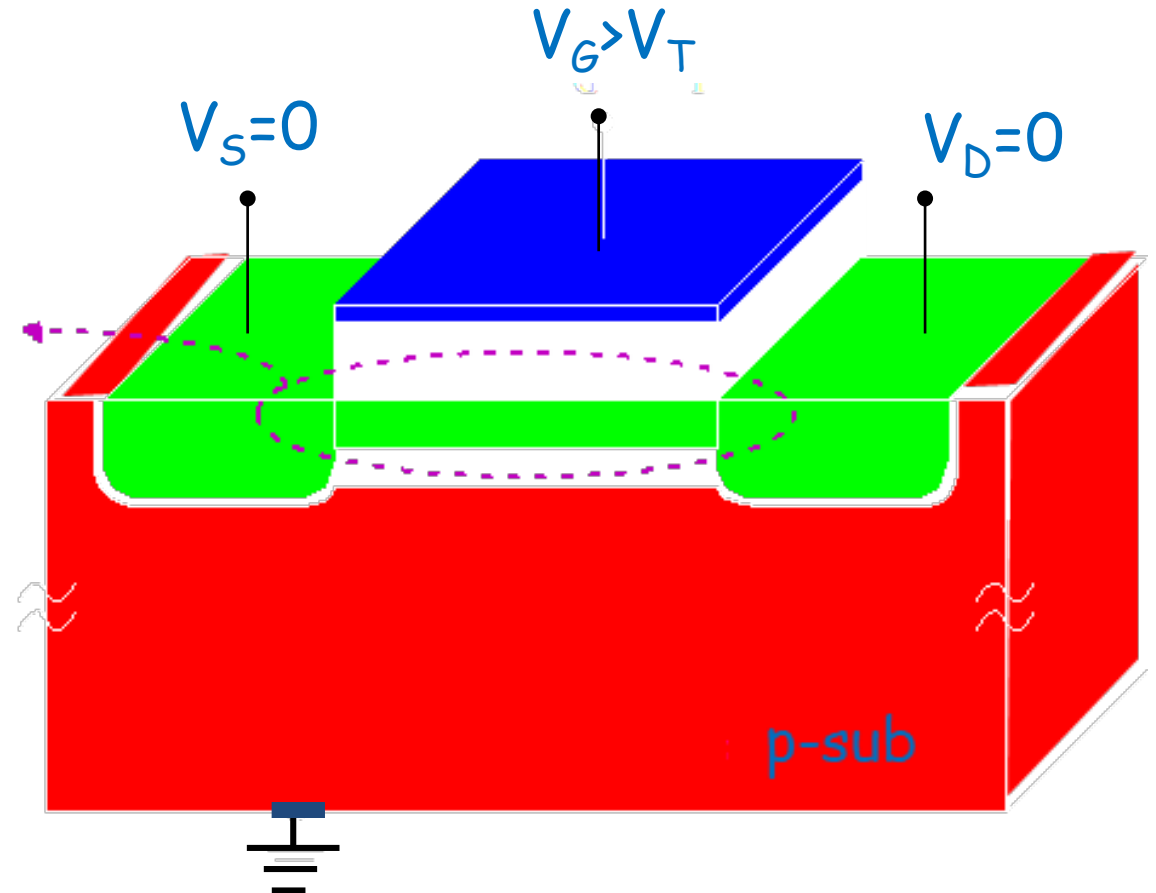
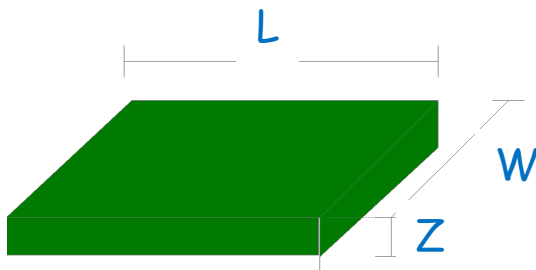
# MOSFET operating principle - IV



# MOSFET operating principle - V

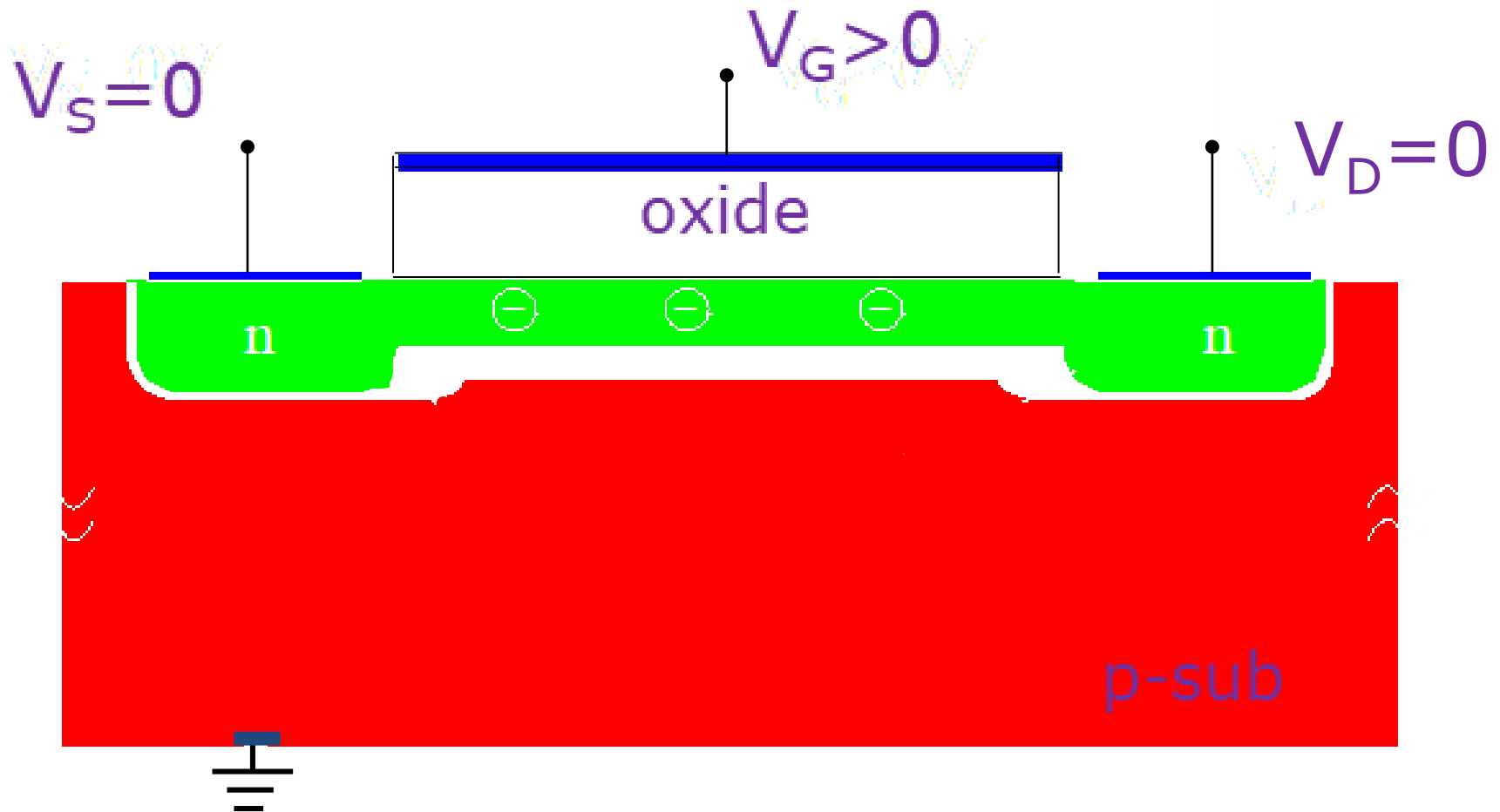
## Channel resistance

$$R_{ch} = \rho \frac{L}{W \cdot Z} =$$
$$= \frac{1}{\mu_n C_{ox}} \frac{L}{W} \frac{1}{(V_{GS} - V_T)}$$



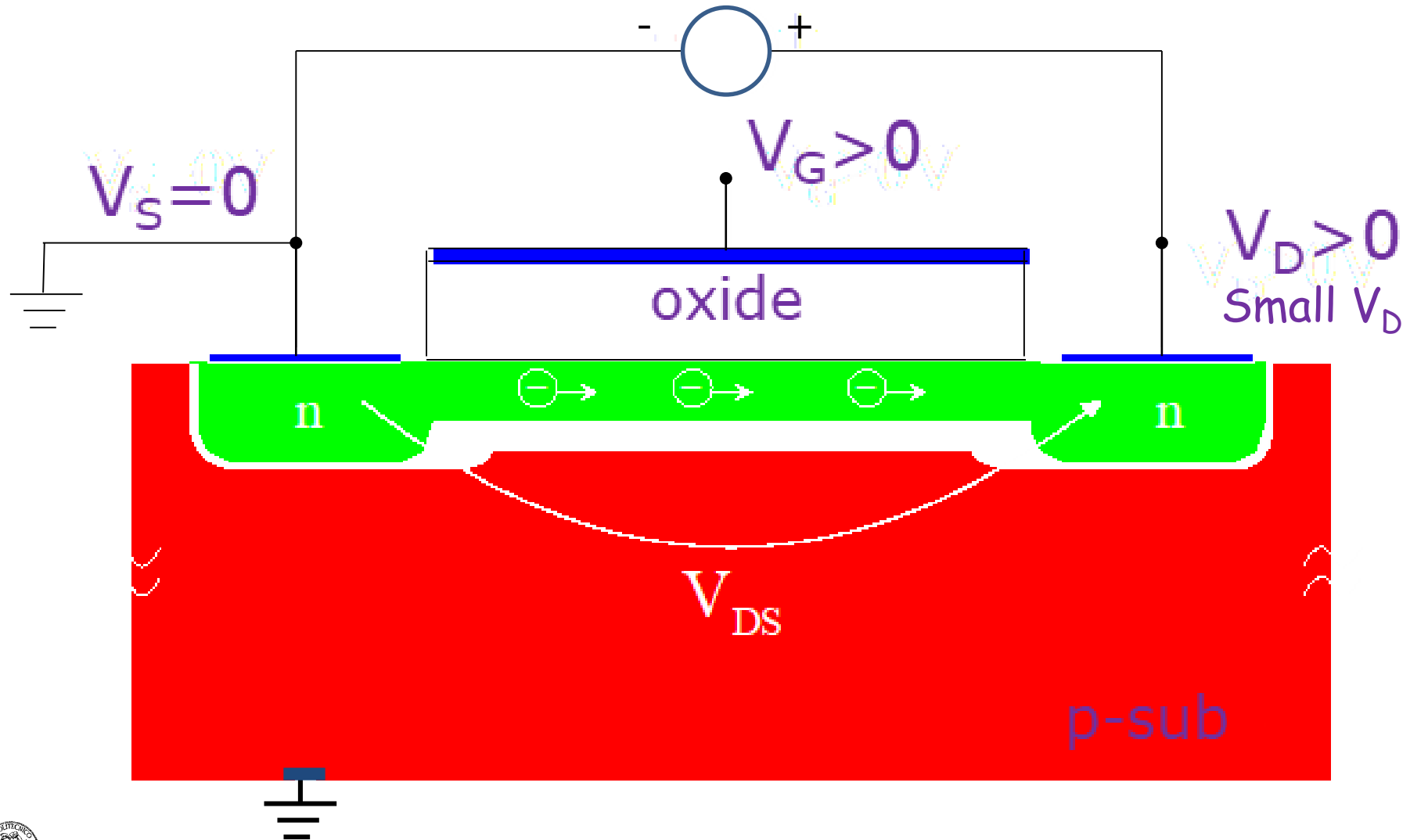
# MOSFET operating principle - IV

The conducting channel is formed ...



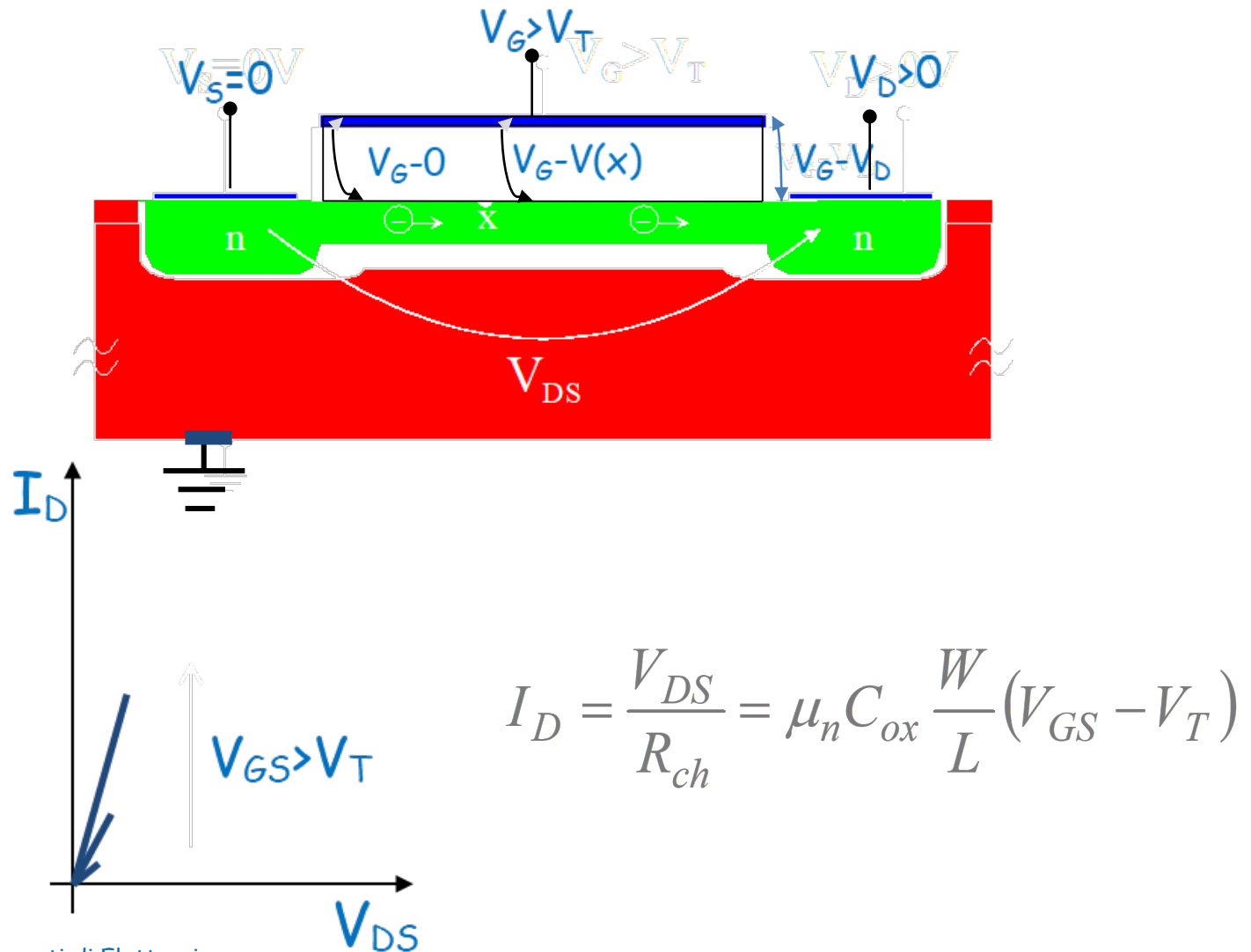
# MOSFET operating principle - V

... current can flow between Drain and Source!



# MOSFET operating principle - VIII

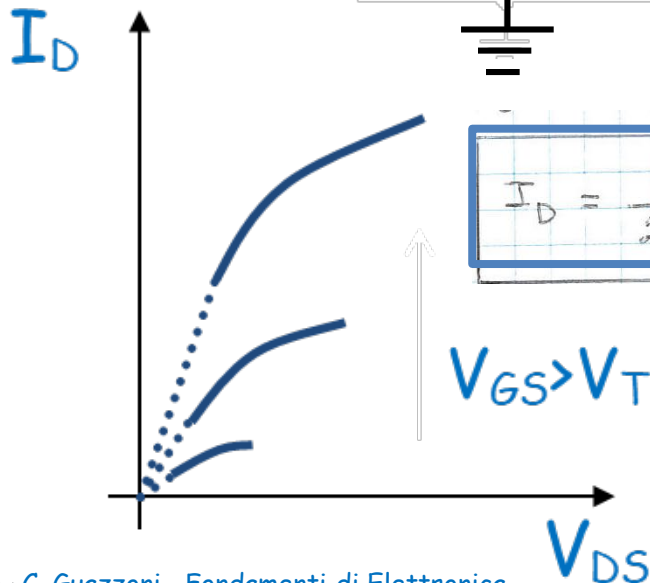
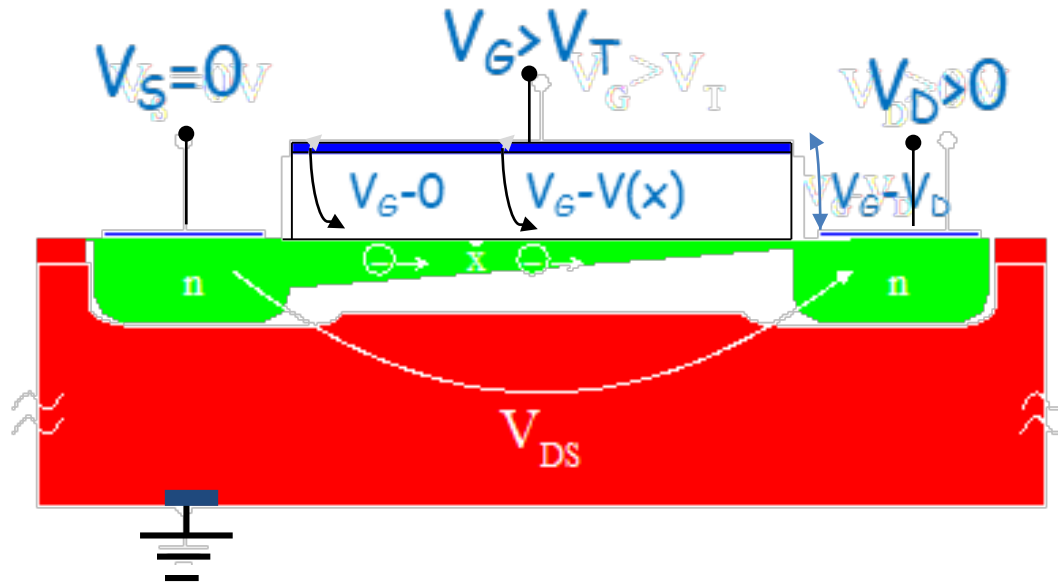
## MOS as variable resistor: OHMIC region





# MOSFET operating principle - IX

MOS as variable resistor: as  $V_{DS}$  increases ...

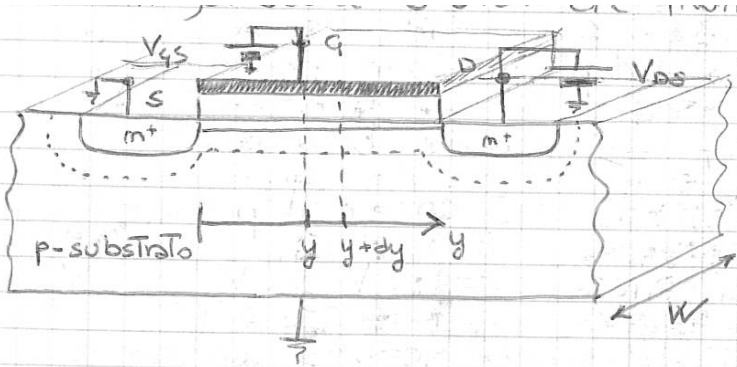


$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} \left[ 2 (V_{GS} - V_T) V_{DS} - V_{DS}^2 \right]$$

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# MOSFET operating principle - X

## Gradual Channel approximation



Sia  $V(y)$  la Tensione ad un generico punto  $y$  nel canale rispetto al source tenuto a massa, allora la carica mobile per unità di area nel canale è pari a:

$$q(y) = C_{ox} [V_{gs} - V(y) - V_T]$$

e la resistenza  $dR$  di un tratto di canale è data da:

$$dR = \frac{dy}{W \cdot \mu_n \cdot q(y)}$$

$$W \cdot \mu_n \cdot q(y)$$

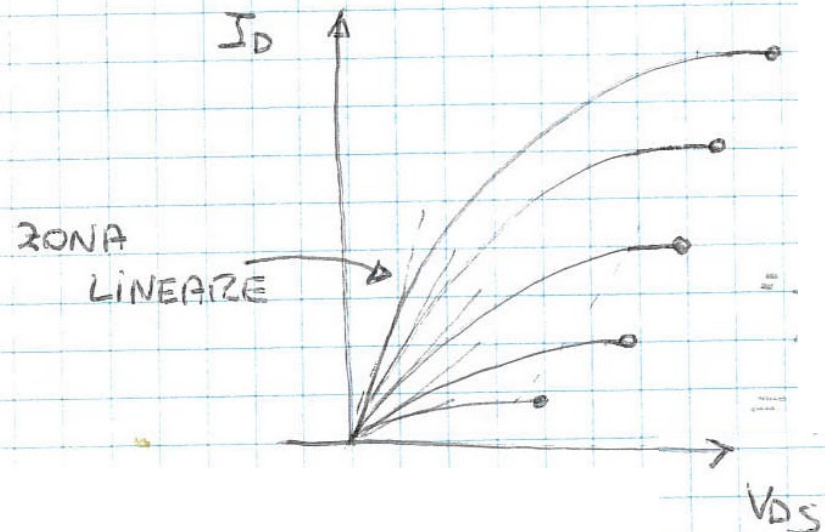
Quindi la caduta di tensione sarà data da:

$$dV = I_D \cdot dR = \frac{I_D}{W \cdot \mu_n \cdot q(y)} dy = \frac{I_D}{W \cdot \mu_n \cdot C_{ox} [V_{gs} - V(y) - V_T]} dy$$

Se reperiamo le variabili ed integriamo:

$$\int_0^L I_D \cdot dy = \int_0^{V_{ds}} W \mu_n C_{ox} [V_{gs} - V - V_T] dV$$

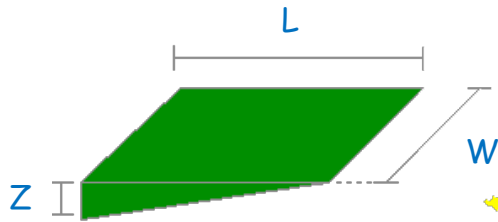
$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} [2(V_{gs} - V_T) V_{ds} - V_{ds}^2]$$





# MOSFET operating principle - XII

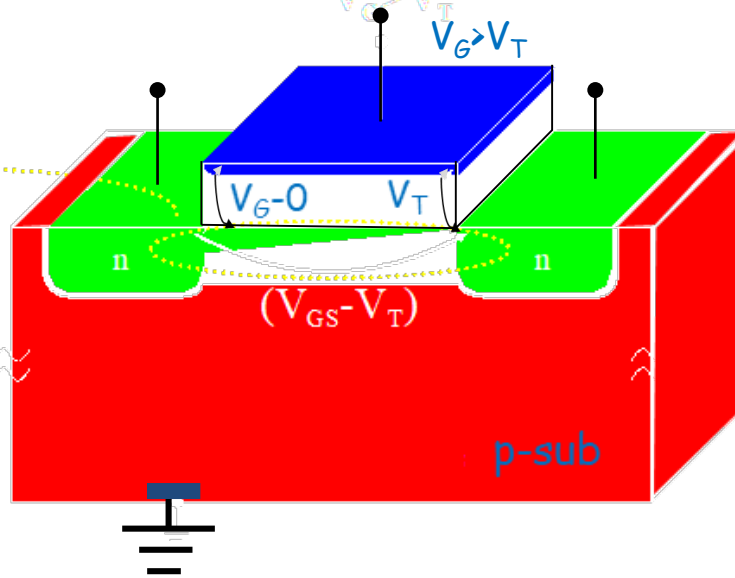
## Current at pinch-off voltage



$$R_{sat} = 2 \cdot R_{ch}$$

$$R_{ch} = \rho \frac{L}{W \cdot Z} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu_n C_{ox}} \frac{L}{W} \frac{1}{(V_{GS} - V_T)}$$



$$I_D = \frac{(V_{GS} - V_T)}{R_{sat}} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_T)^2$$

$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} \left[ 2 (V_{GS} - V_T) V_{DS} - V_{DS}^2 \right]$$

Drain Current in Triode Region

$$V_{DS} = V_{GS} - V_T$$

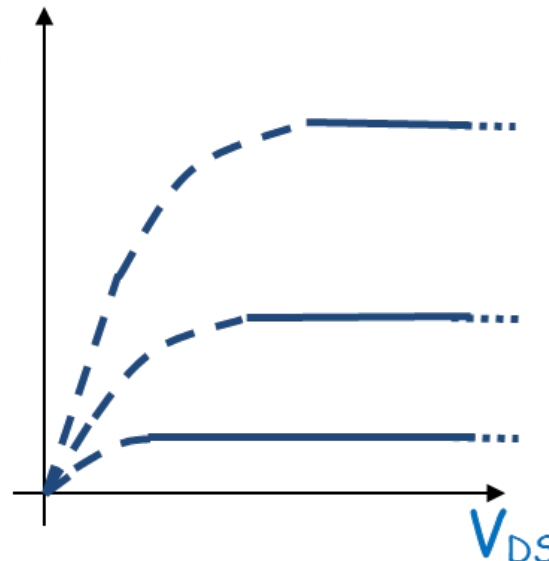
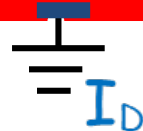
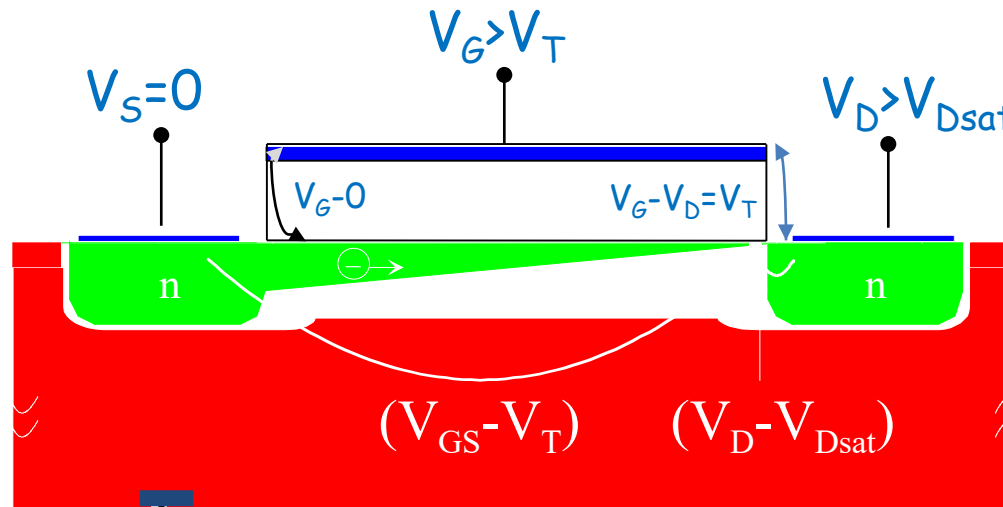
$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_T)^2$$

Drain Current in Saturation region



# MOSFET operating principle - XIII

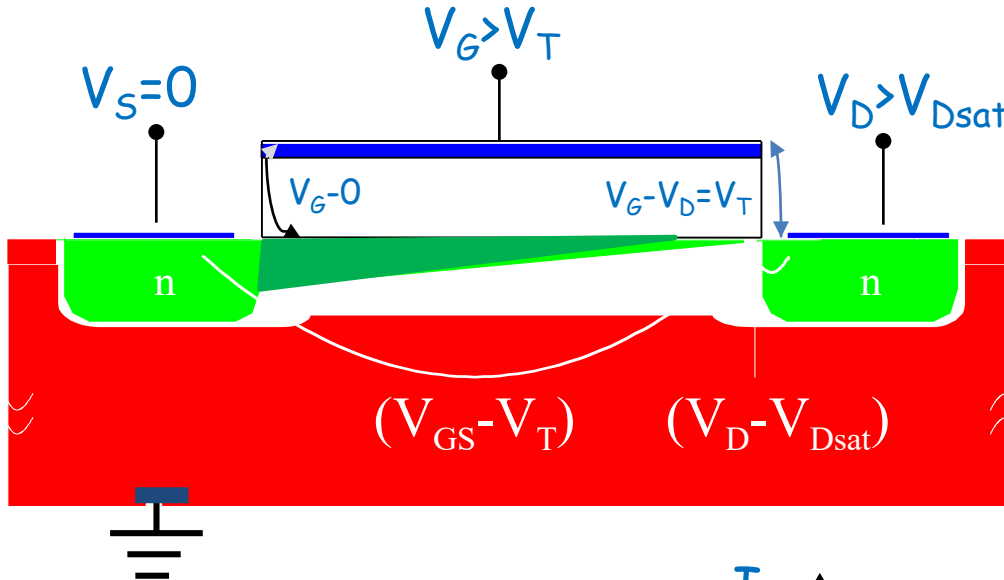
## MOS as transistor: SATURATION region



$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_T)^2$$

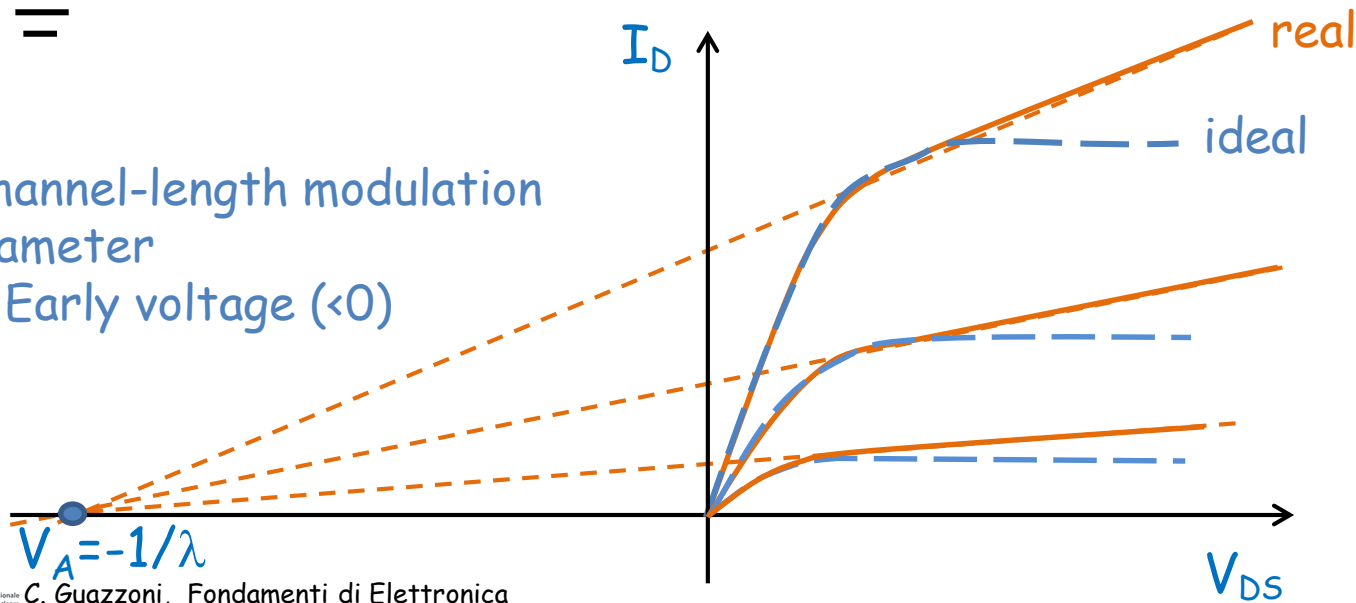
# MOSFET operating principle - XIV

MOS as transistor: SATURATION region, real vs. ideal



$$I_D = k (V_{GS} - V_T)^2 (1 + \lambda V_{DS})$$

$\lambda$ : channel-length modulation parameter  
 $V_A$ : Early voltage ( $<0$ )



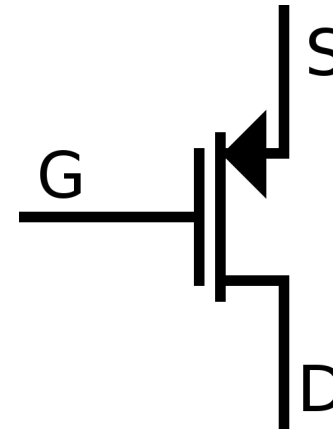
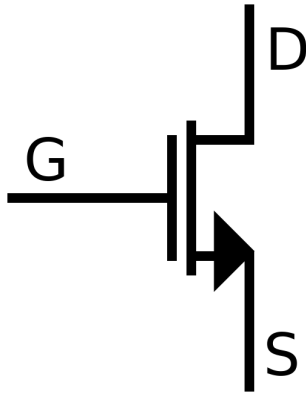
# MOSFET operating principle - XIII

## MOS circuit symbols

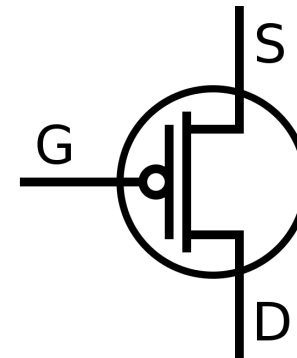
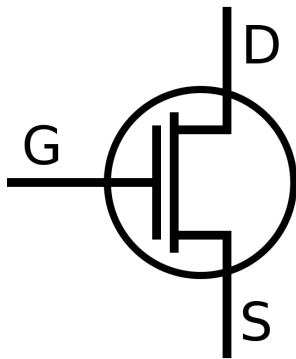
n-channel

p-channel

analogue  
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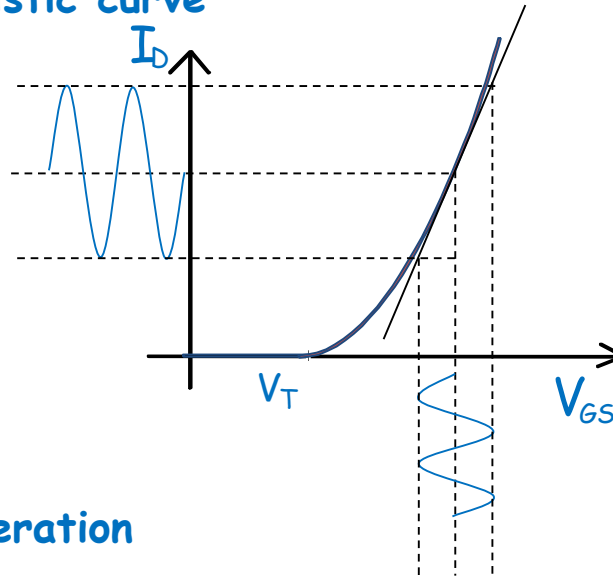


digital  
circuits



# MOSFET operating principle - IV

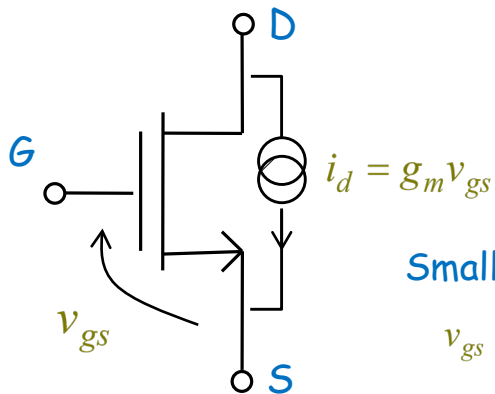
Transcharacteristic curve



Transconductance

$$g_m = \frac{\partial I_D}{\partial V_{GS}} = \mu_n C_{ox} \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_T)$$

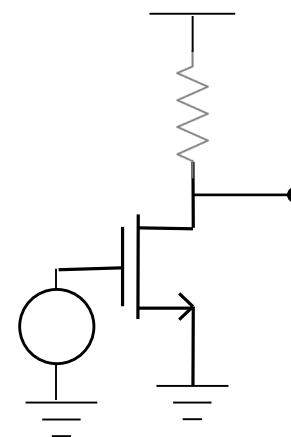
Small signal operation



Small signal condition:

$$v_{gs} \ll 2 \cdot (V_{GS} - V_T)$$

Basic amplifier configuration  
(Common source)



Voltage gain:

$$A_v = \frac{v_{out}}{v_{in}} = -g_m R_L$$