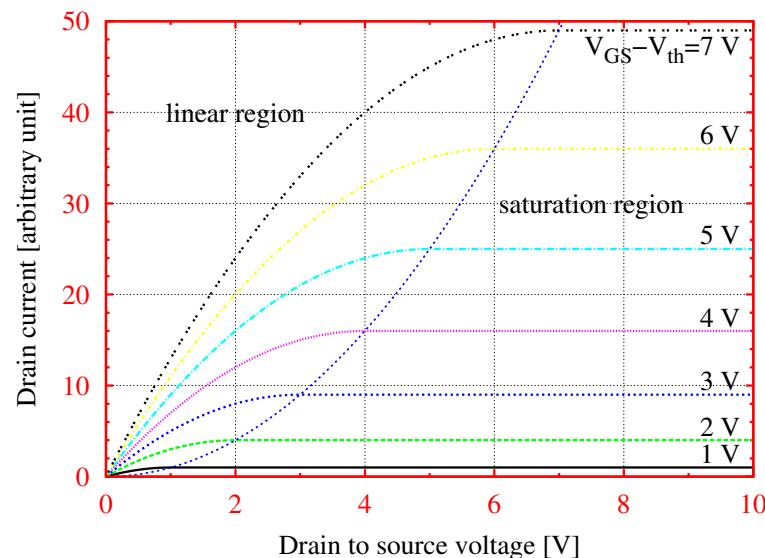


1. What current flows in the inverter in steady state? Think about the region of operation of the devices for each input case.



V_{GS}	V_{DS}	Mode	I_{DS}
$> V_{th}$	$< V_{GS} - V_{th}$	Resistive	$\mu_n C_{OX} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right) \left((V_{GS} - V_{th}) V_{DS} - \frac{(V_{DS})^2}{2} \right)$
	$> V_{GS} - V_{th}$ & $< V_{DSAT}$	Saturation	$\frac{\mu_n C_{OX}}{2} \left(\frac{W}{L} \right) (V_{GS} - V_{th})^2$
	$> V_{DSAT}$	Velocity Saturation	$\nu_{sat} C_{OX} W \left(V_{GS} - V_{th} - \frac{V_{DSAT}}{2} \right)$
$< V_{th}$		Subthreshold	$I_S \left(\frac{W}{L} \right) e^{\frac{V_{GS} - V_{th}}{nkT/q}}$

2. For a transistor in subthreshold, If $V_{th} = 300\text{mV}$, $S = n \left(\frac{kT}{q} \right) \ln(10) = 100\text{mV}$, what is

$I_{ds}(V_{gs} = 300\text{mV})/I_{ds}(V_{gs} = 0\text{V})?$

3. Consider an NMOS transistor with $L_{eff}=25\text{nm}$ and $V_{ds}=1\text{V}$

(a) What is the electrical field (F) in $\text{V}/\mu\text{m}$ in the channel between source and drain?

$$(F = V/L)$$

(b) With an electron mobility of $\mu_n=500 \text{ cm}^2/(\text{V} \cdot \text{s})$, what is the velocity of the electron in this field? (in m/s)?

$$(\text{velocity } v = \mu \times F)$$

(c) At what V_{ds} voltage does the velocity reach 10^5 m/s ?