

Beyond classical circuit design

lecture 7

Gate internals continued

Further Reading

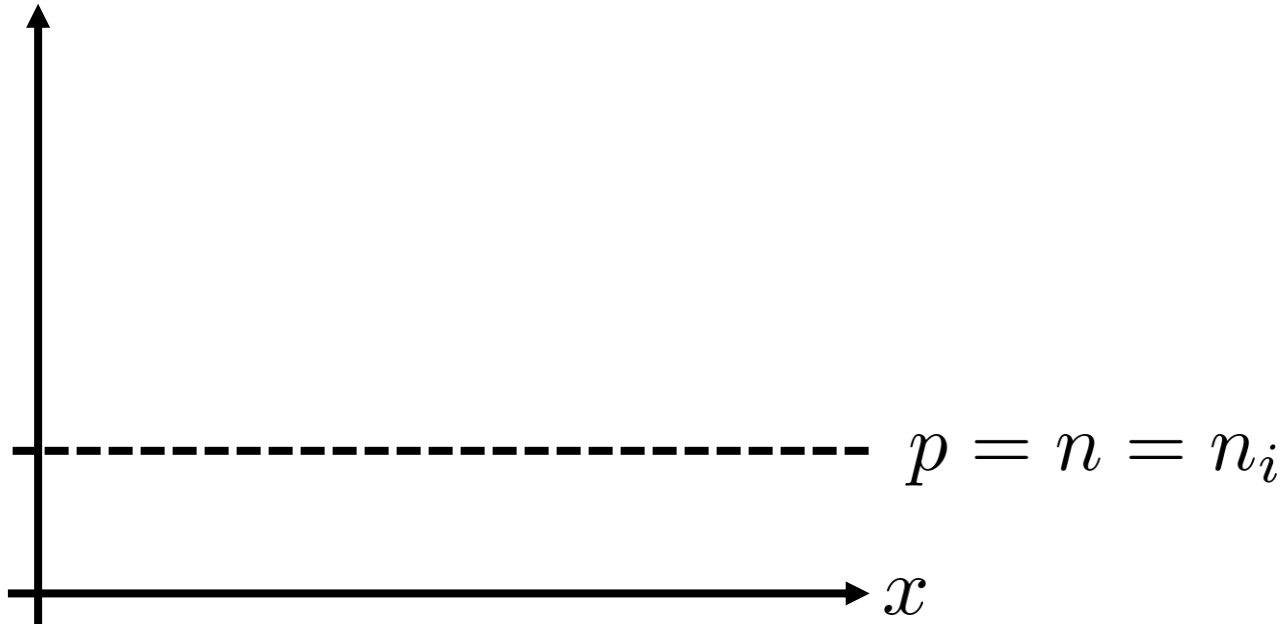
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Carrier densities

semiconductor at thermal equilibrium

log(carrier density)

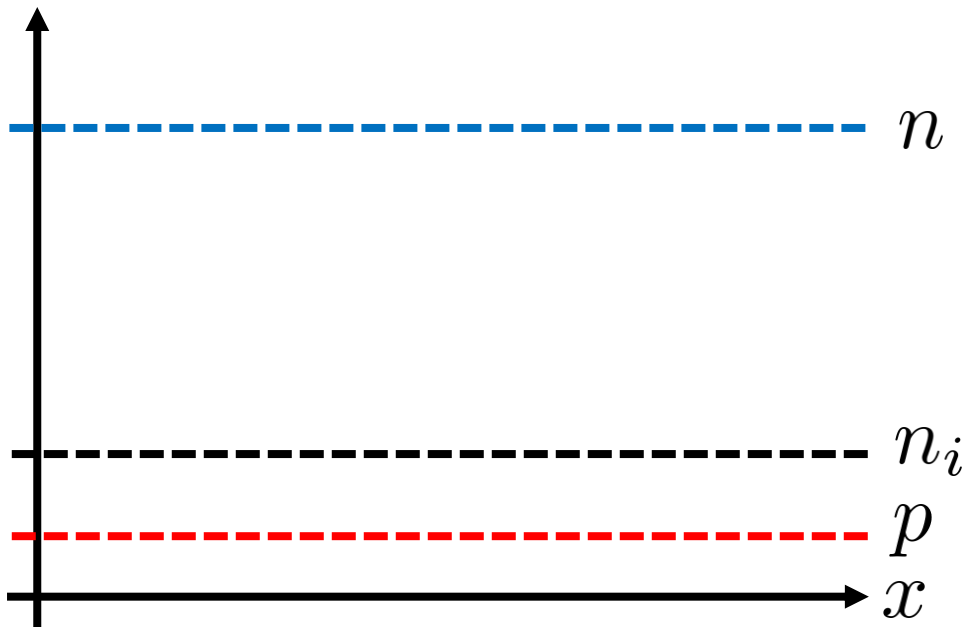


Carrier densities

adding donor atoms -> n-doped semiconductor
-> free e-



log(carrier density)



mass-action law

$$pn = n_i^2$$

charge neutrality

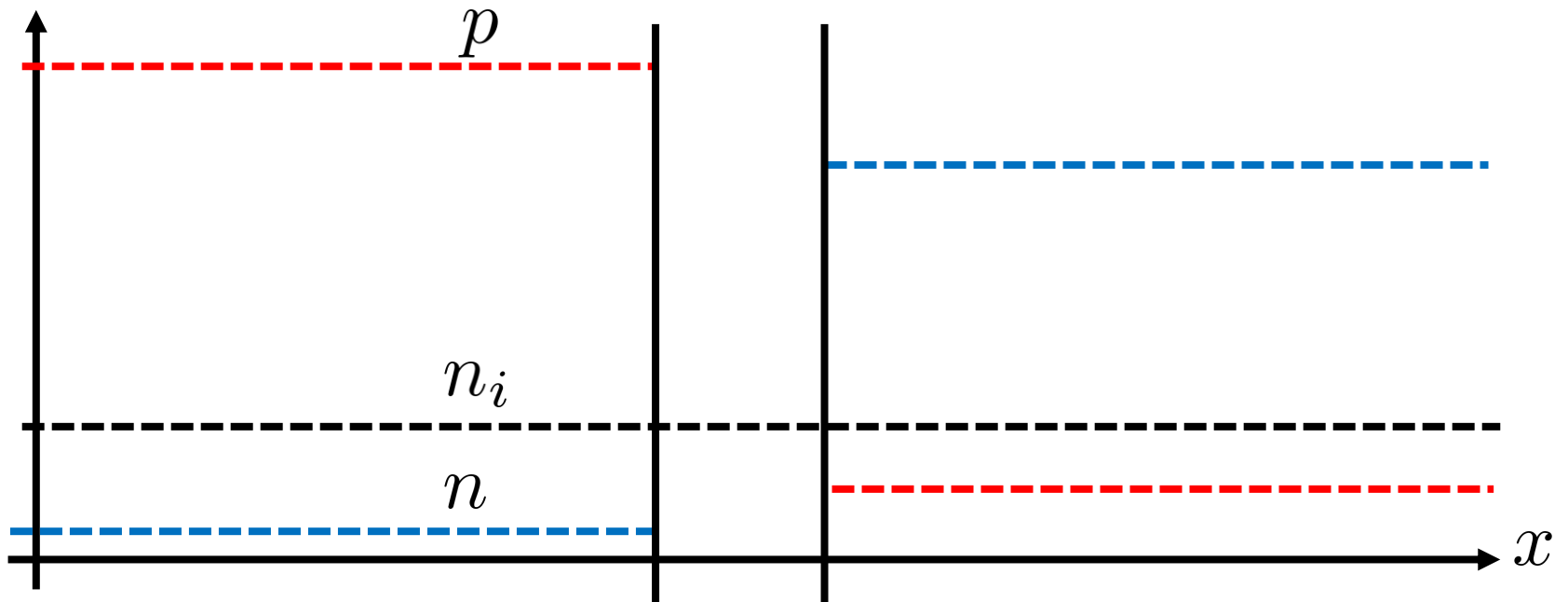
$$n + N_A^- = p + N_D^+$$

Carrier densities

p+ -doped & n -doped



log(carrier density)

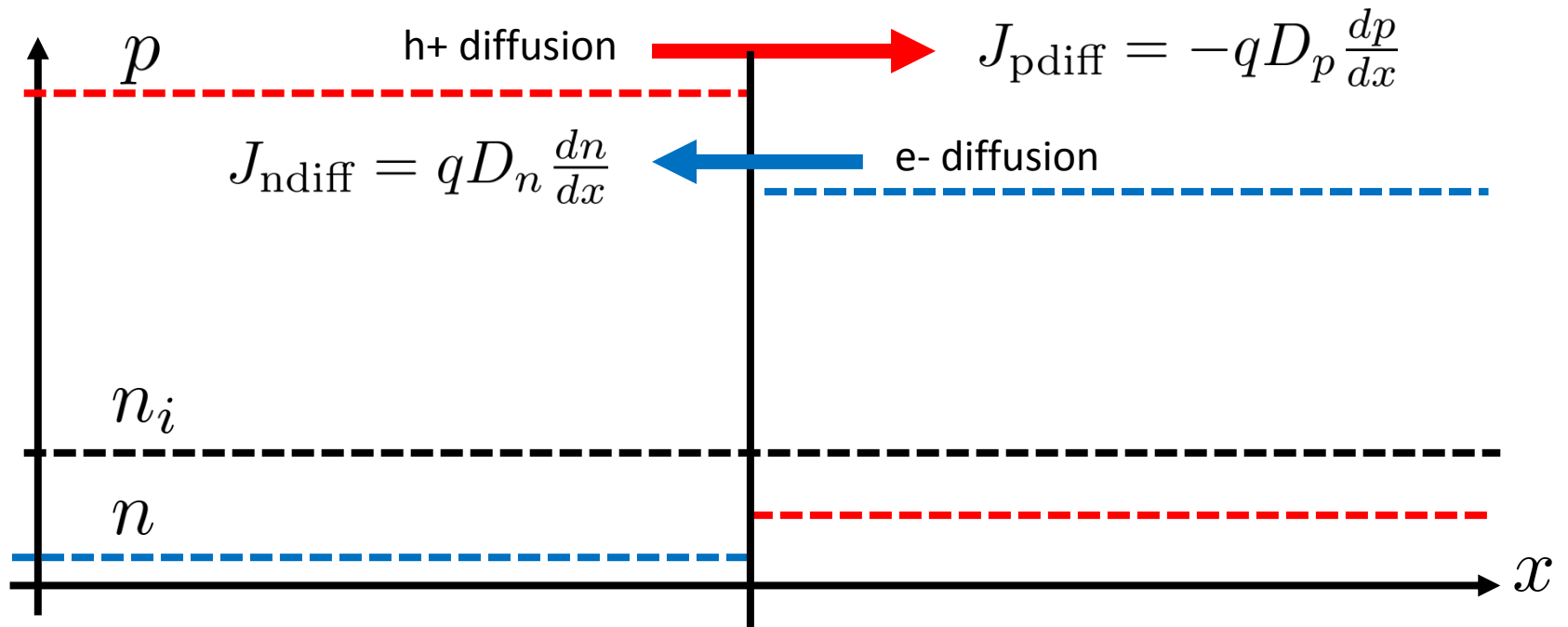


Diffusion

merging p+ -doped & n -doped



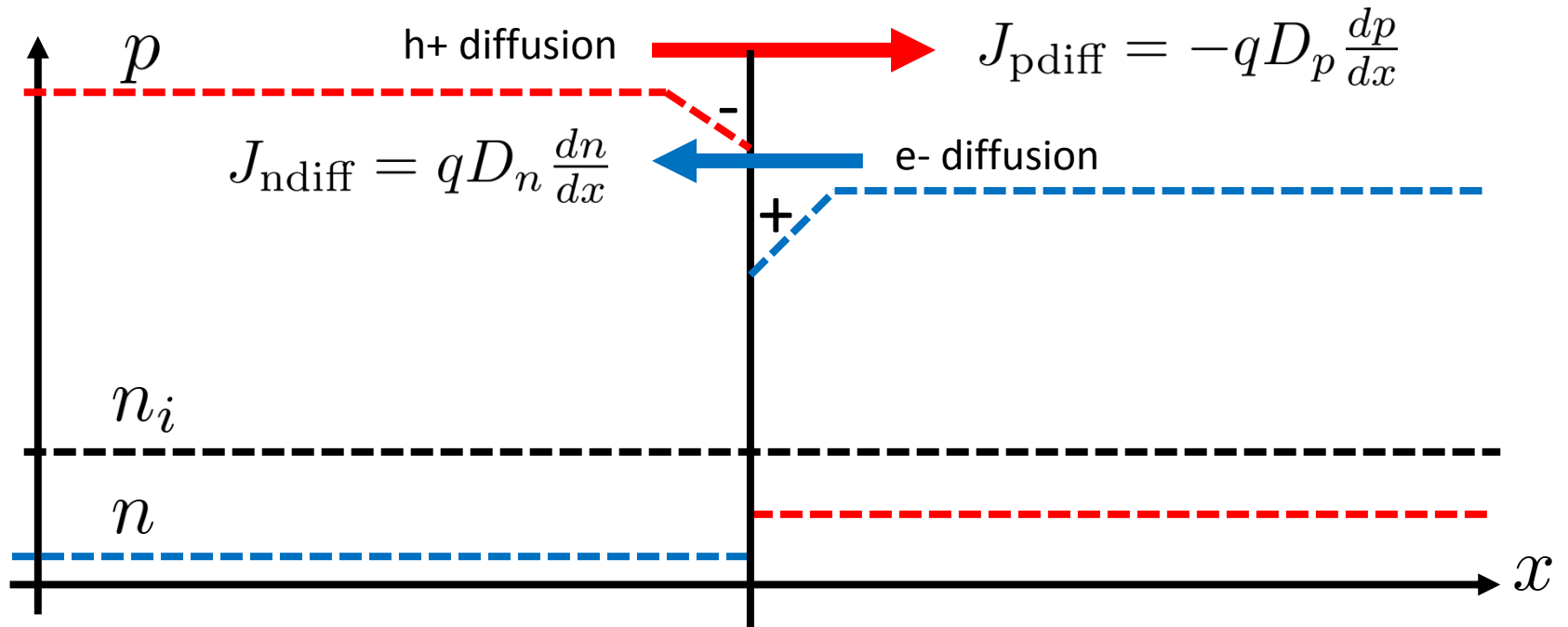
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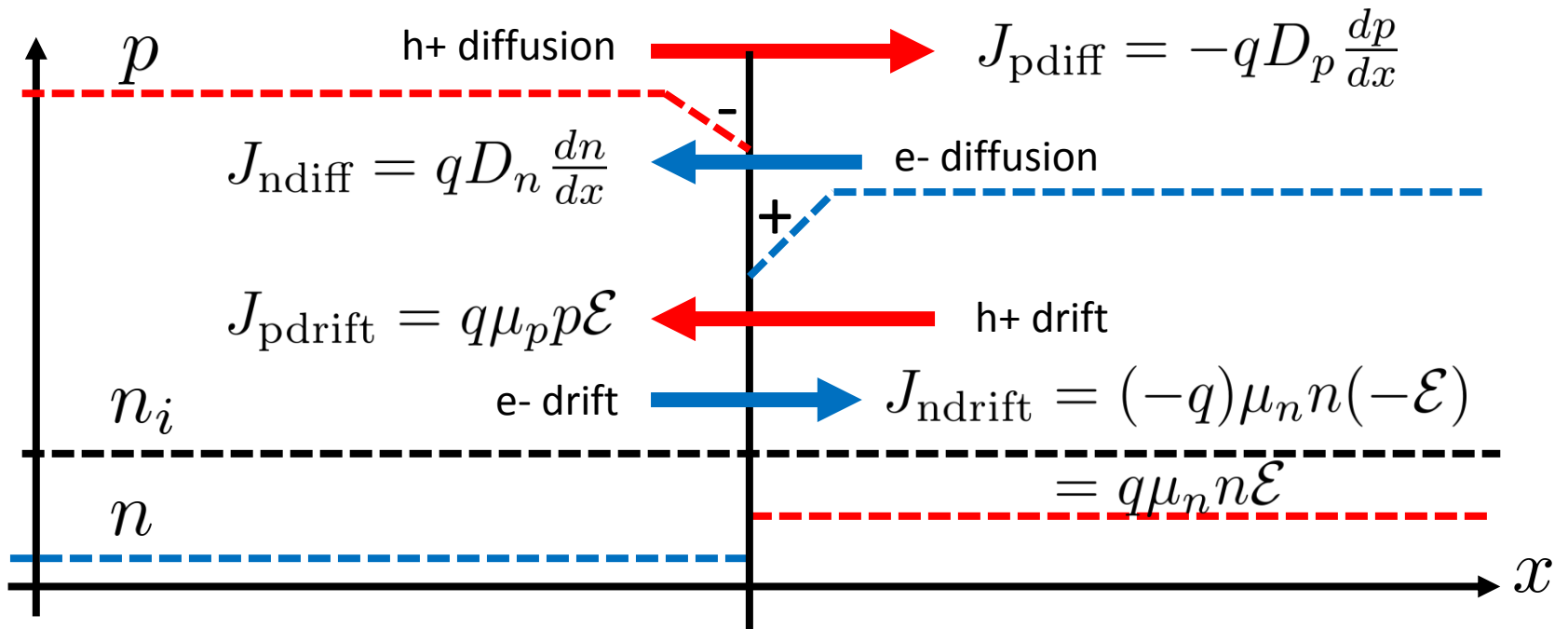
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Drift

merging p+ -doped & n -doped

log(carrier density)



Equilibrium carrier densities

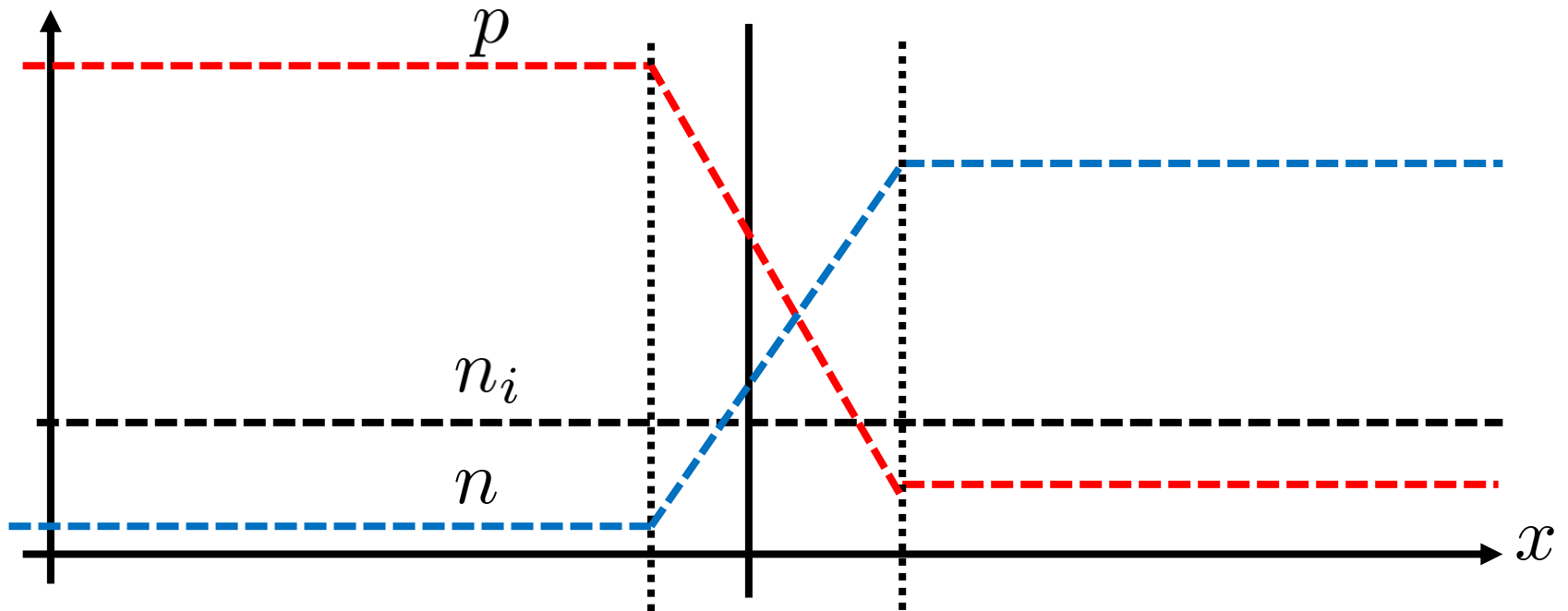
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log(carrier density)

equilibrium

$$J_{p\text{diff}} = J_{p\text{drift}}$$

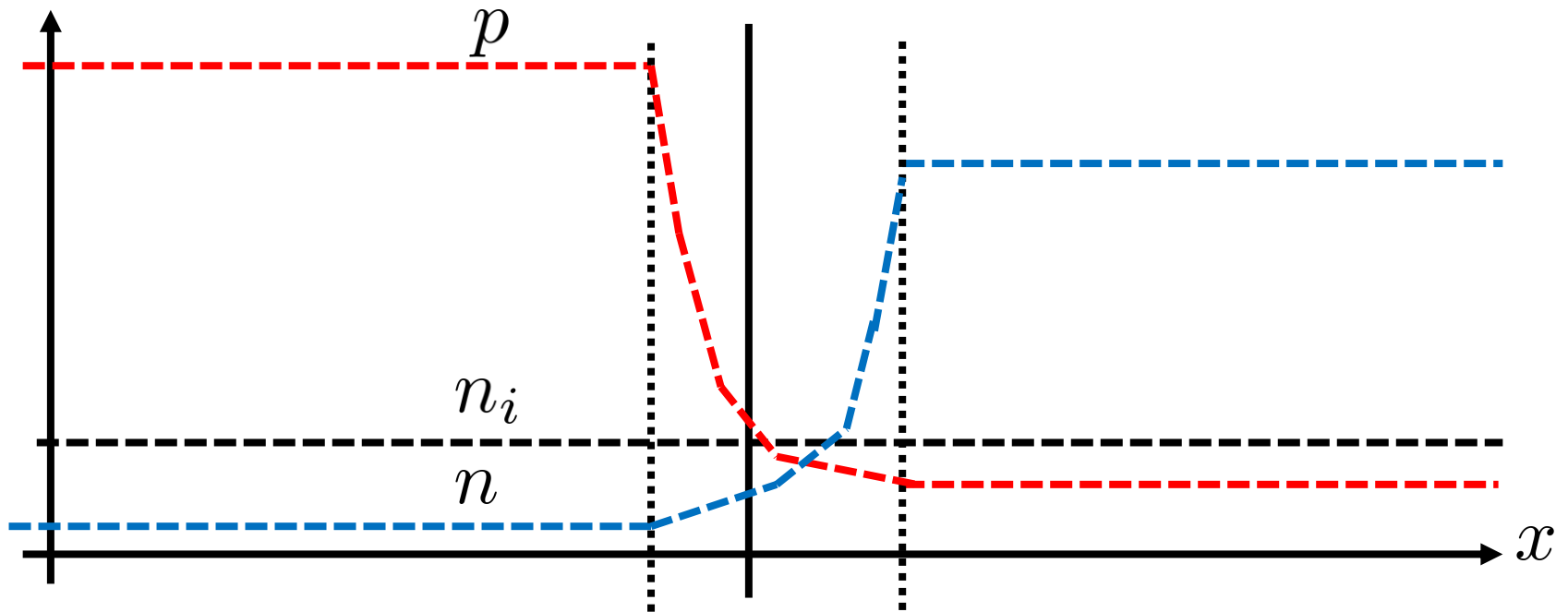
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Carrier densities

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carrier density

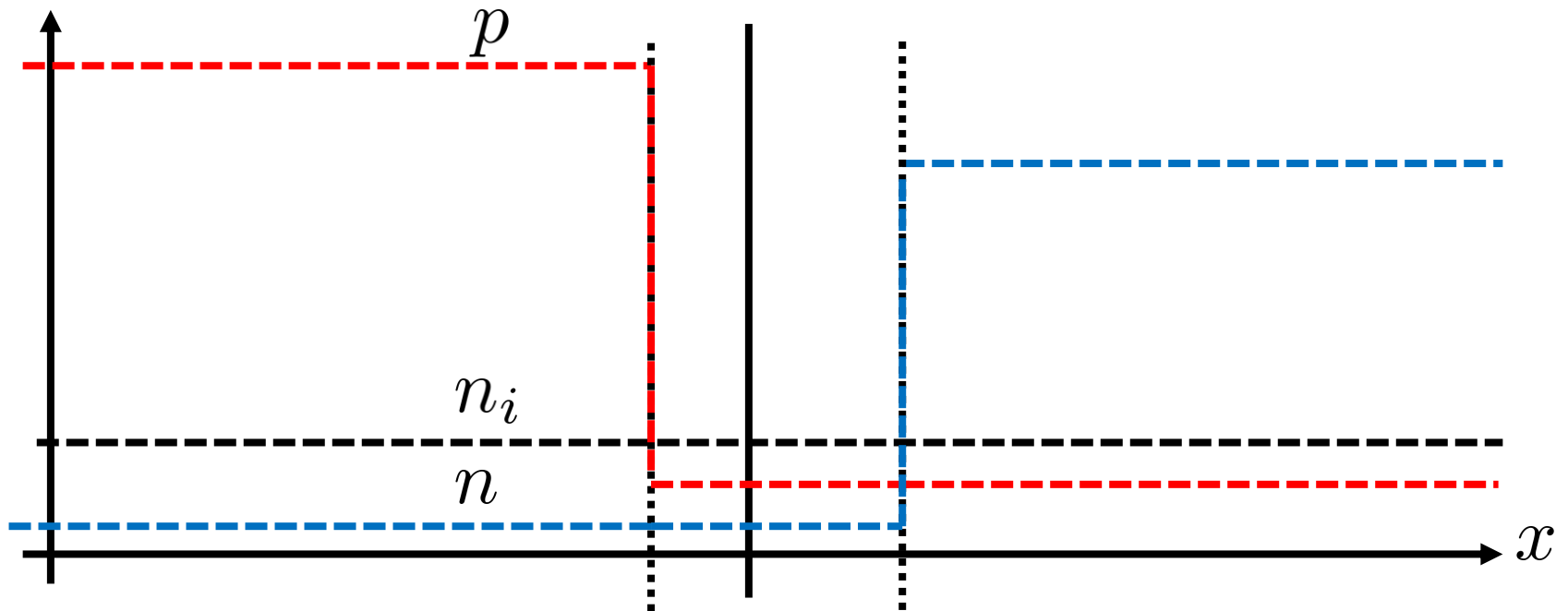


Carrier densities

A1. box profile approximation



carrier density



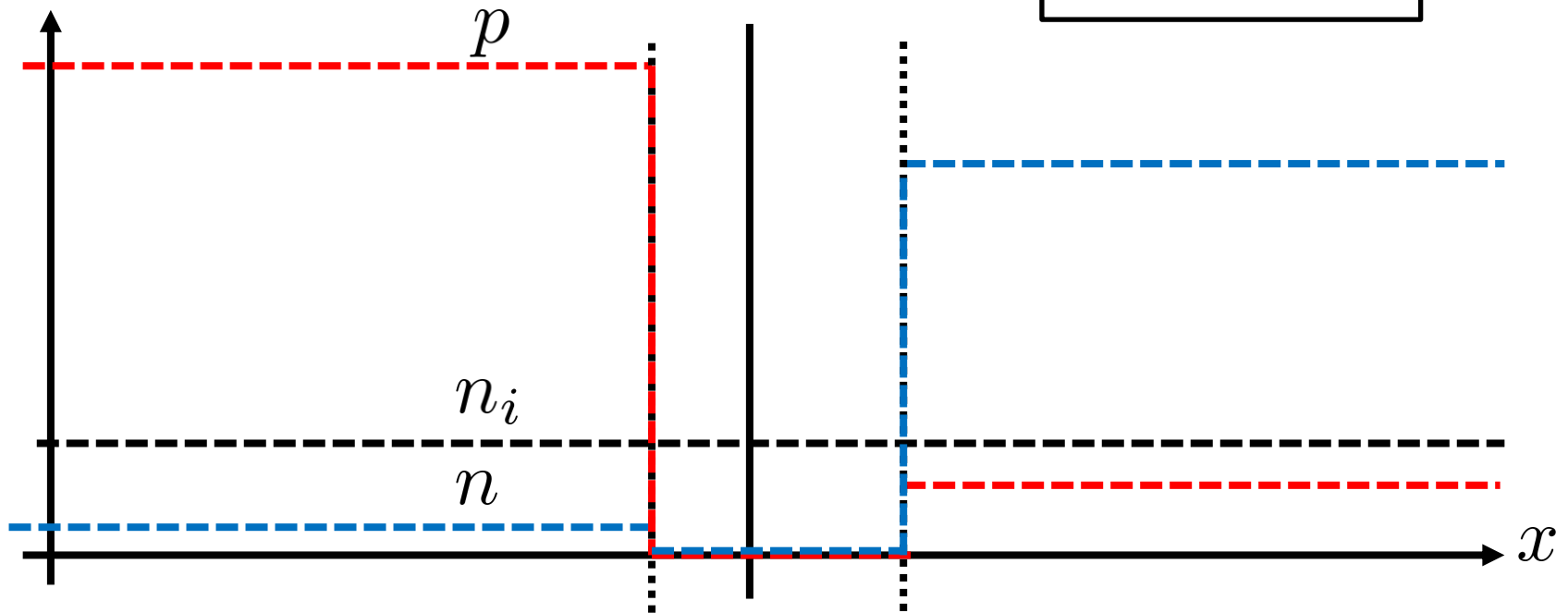
Carrier densities

A2. depletion region: no free carriers

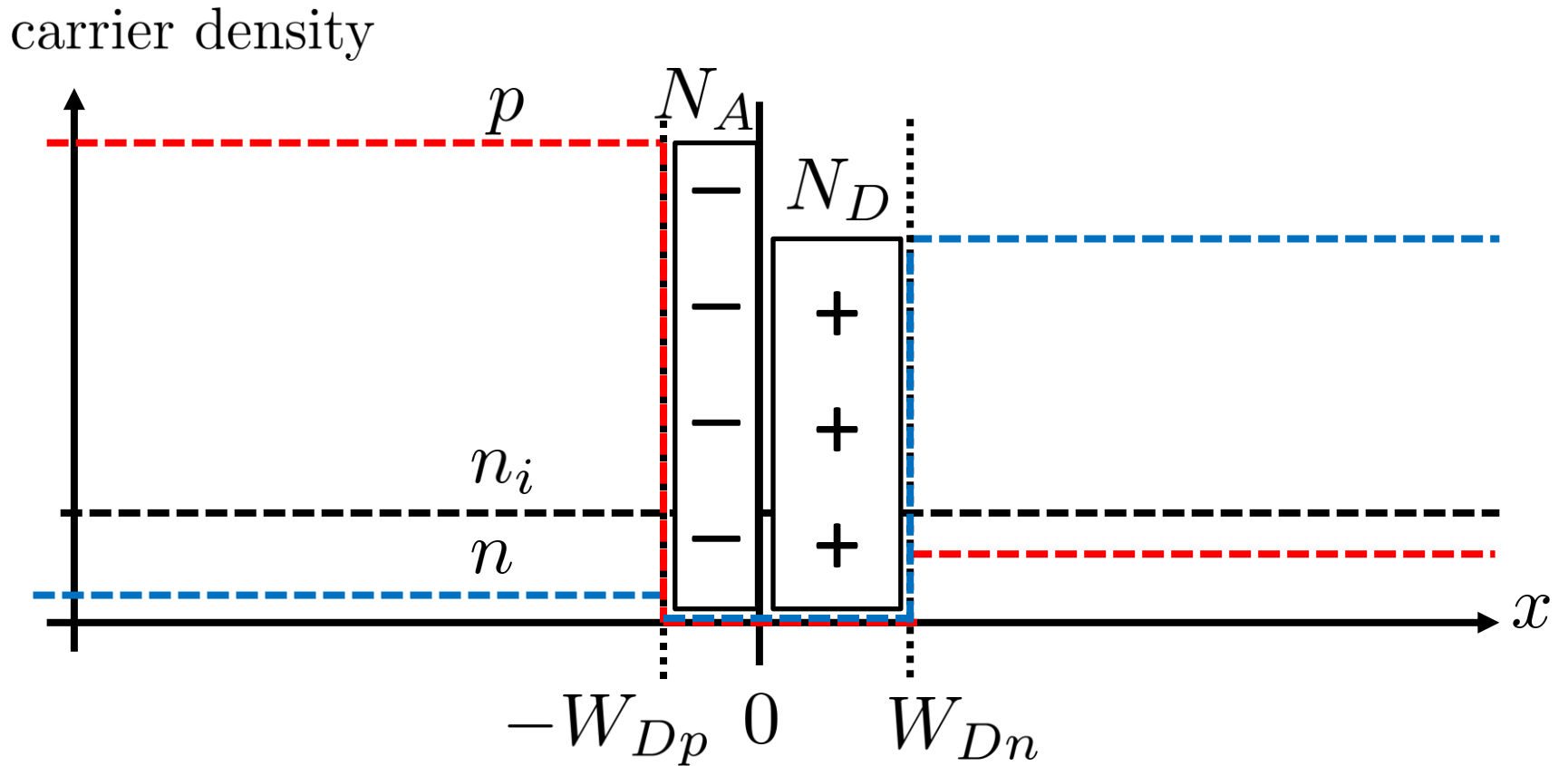
$$n = p = 0$$

A3. all donors/acceptors ionized
carrier density

$$N_D^+ = N_D$$
$$N_A^- = N_A$$



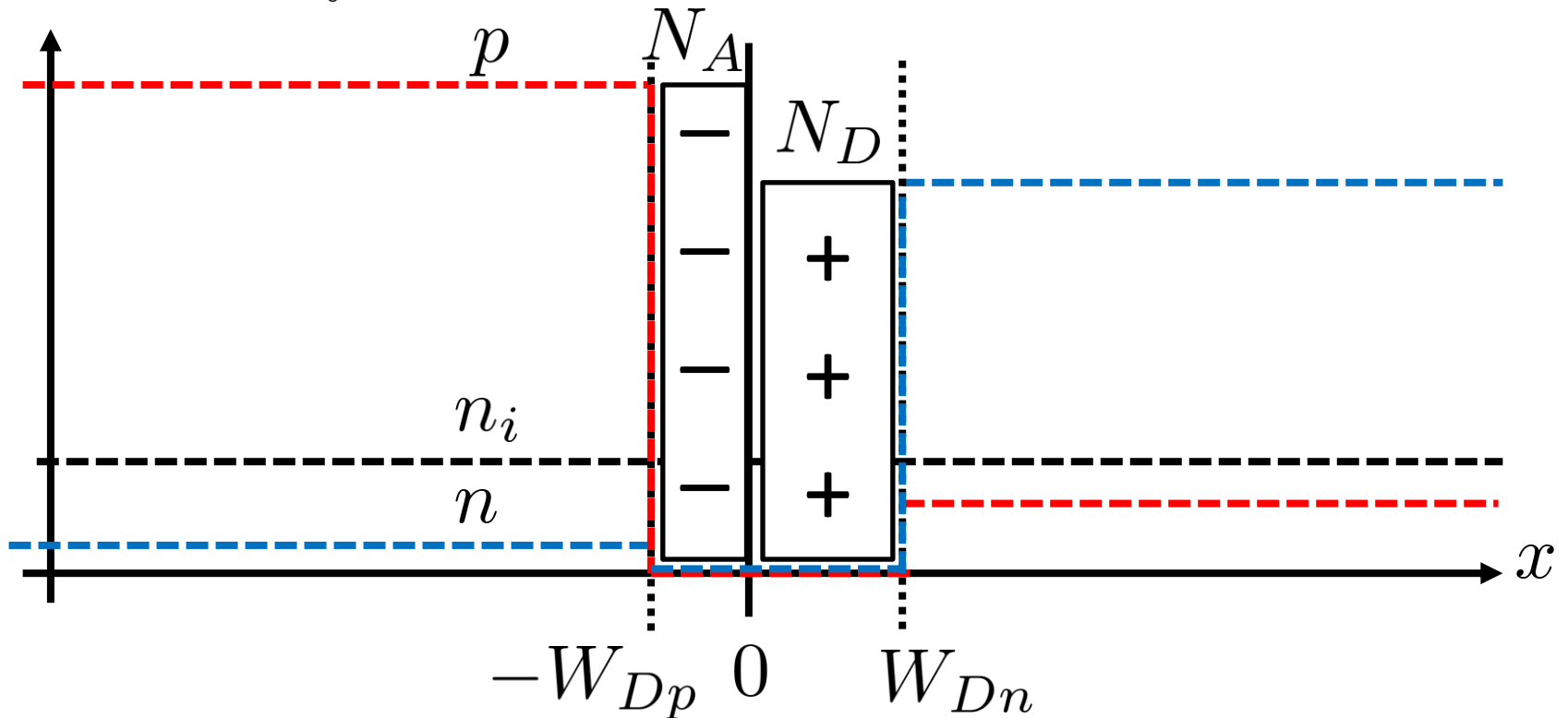
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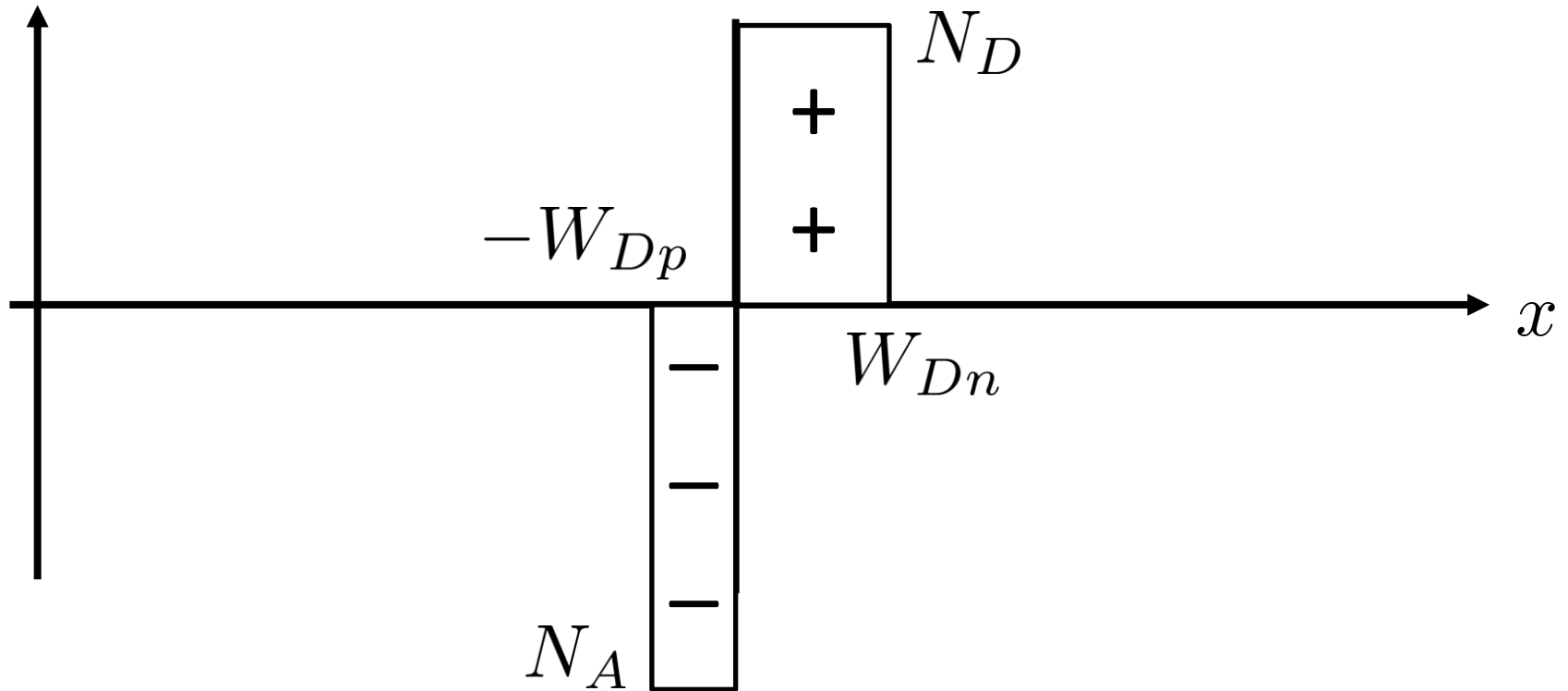
$$\text{neutrality } N_D W_{Dn} = N_A W_{Dp}$$

carrier density



Charge density

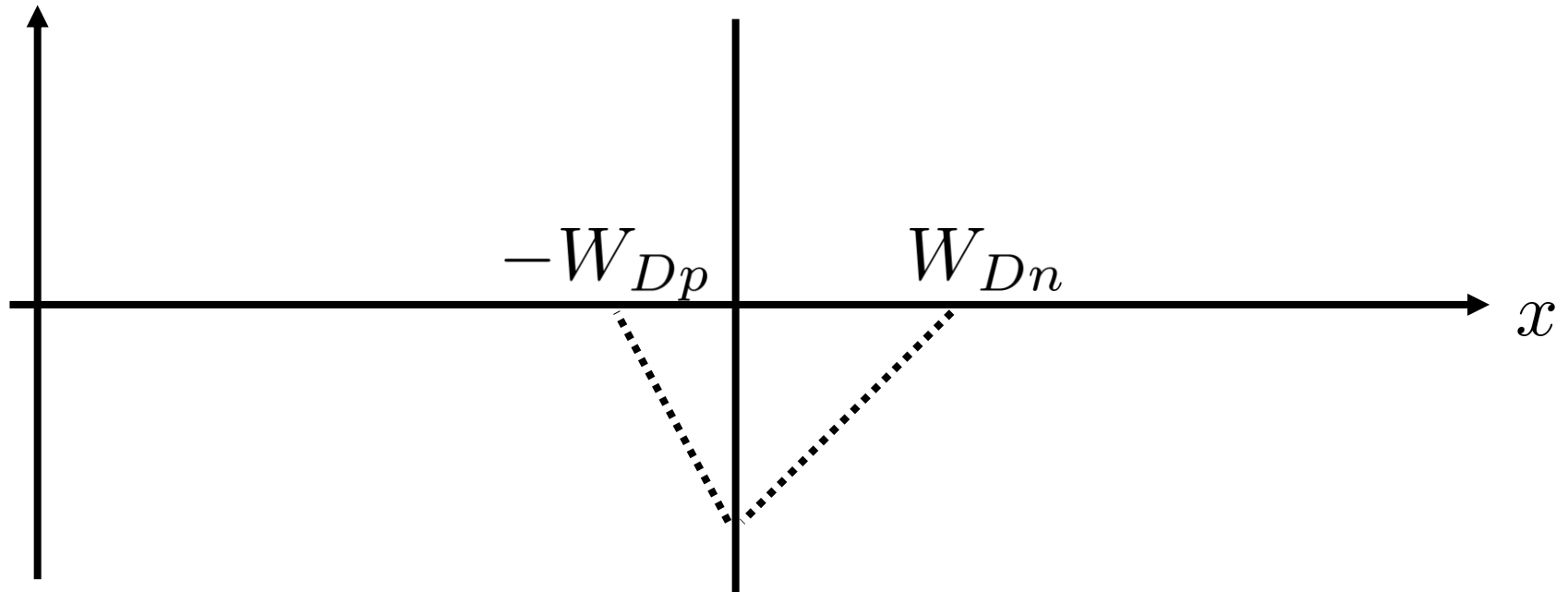
charge density ρ



from Poisson $\frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dx} = \frac{\rho(x)}{\epsilon_S}$

Electric field

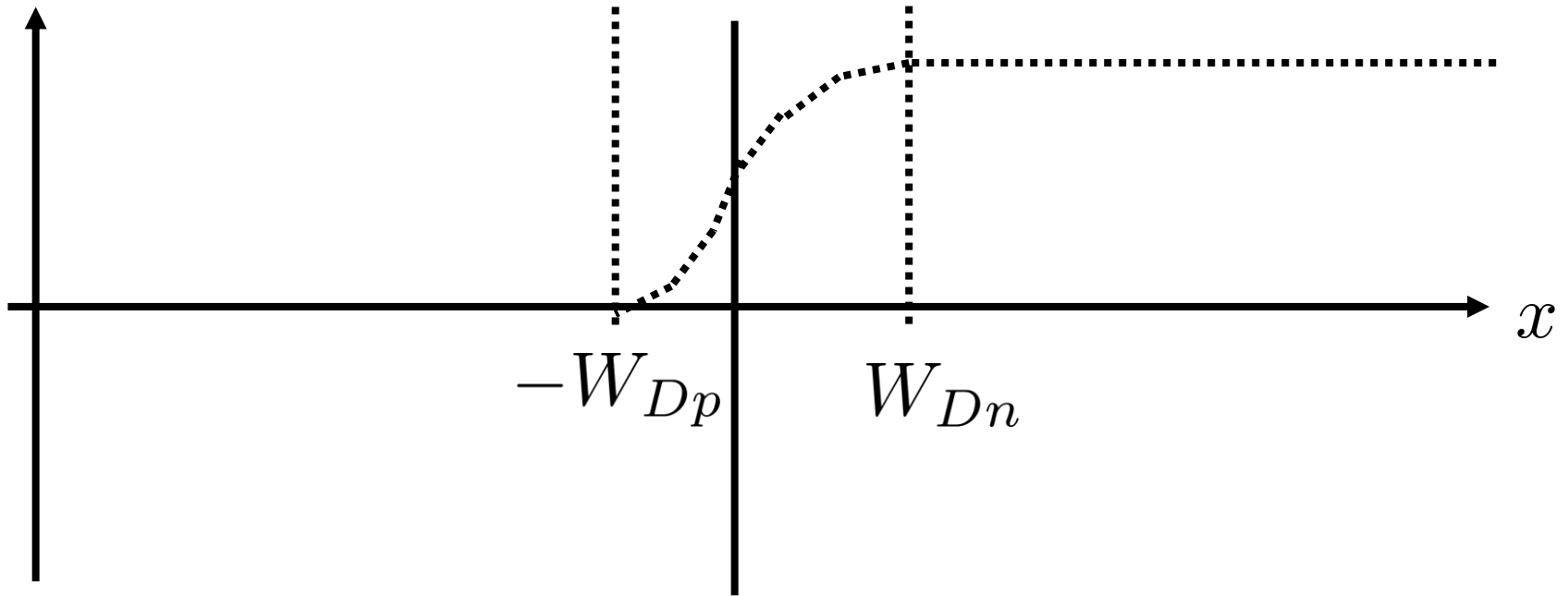
electric field \mathcal{E}



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Potential

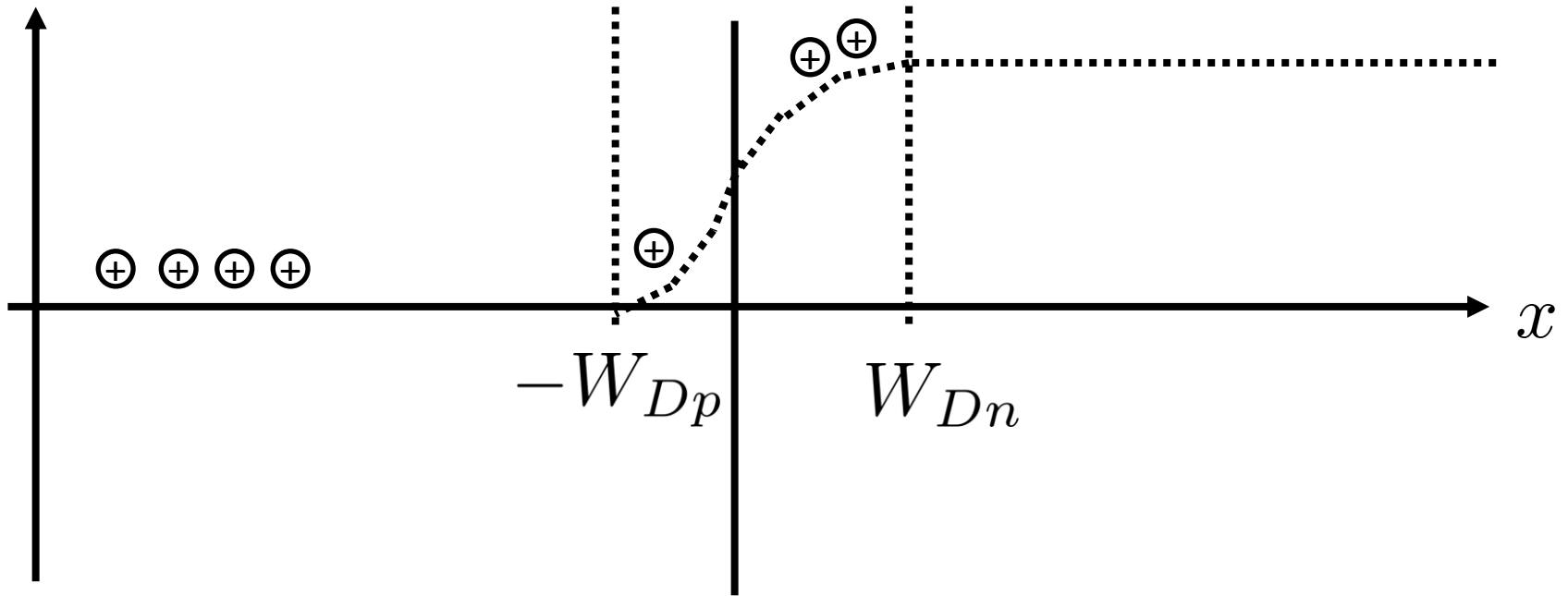
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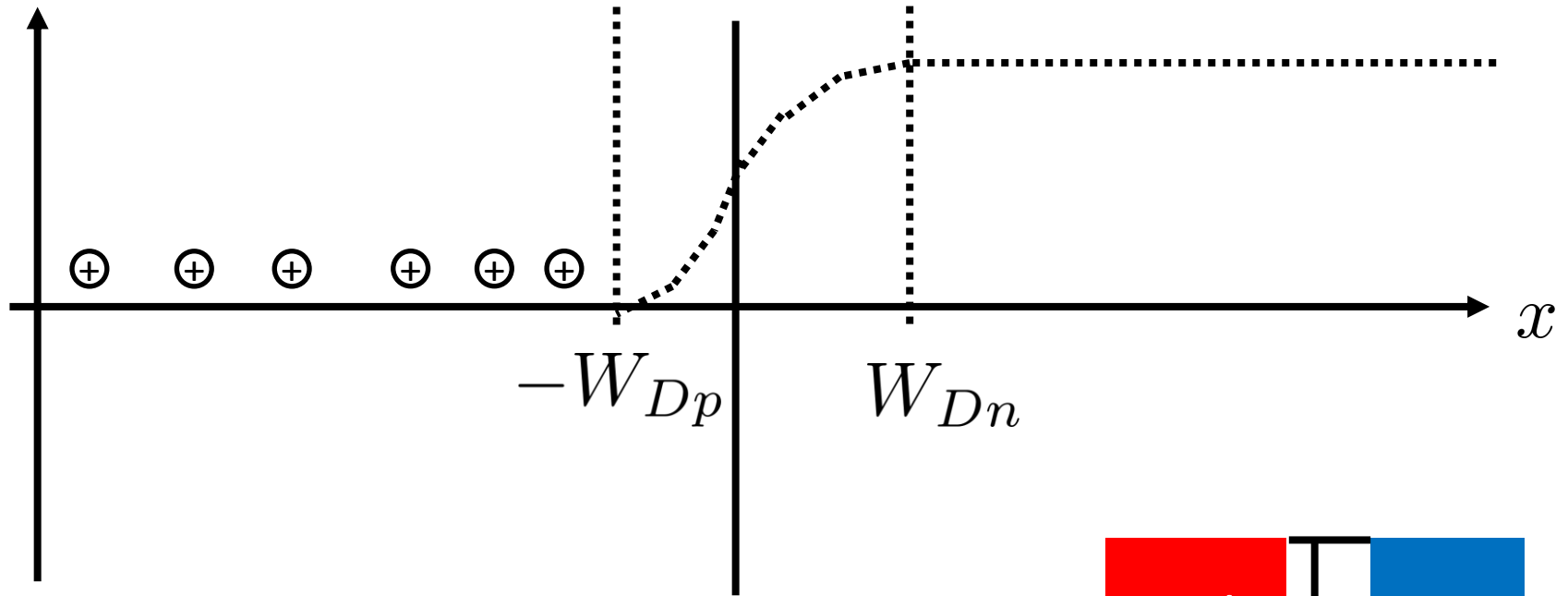
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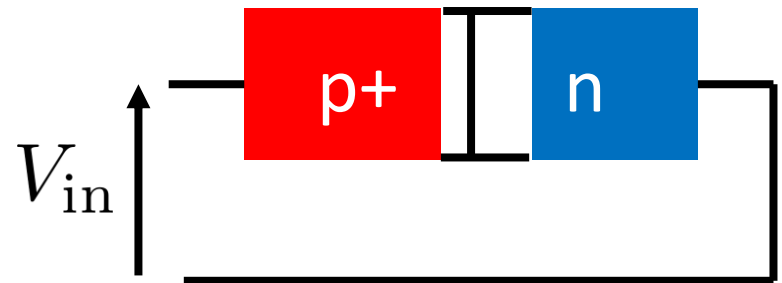
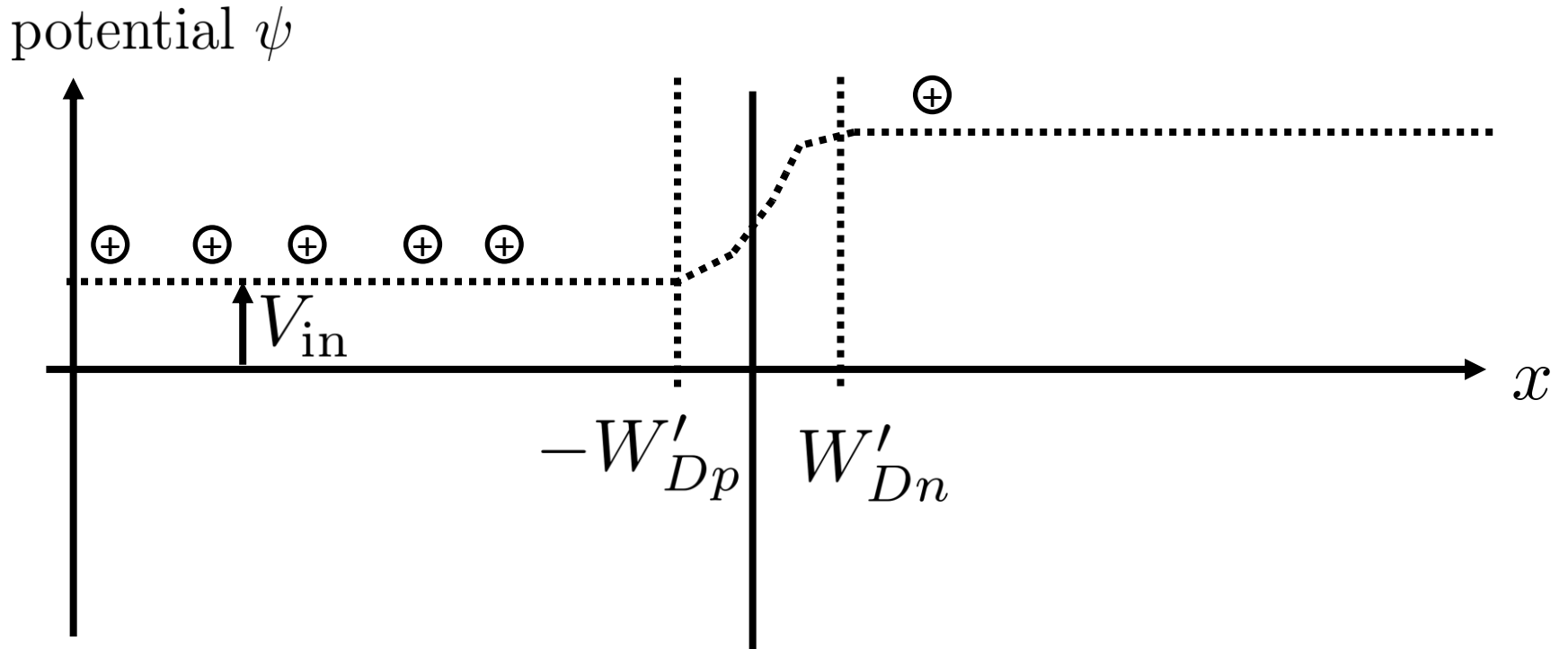
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Decrease barrier

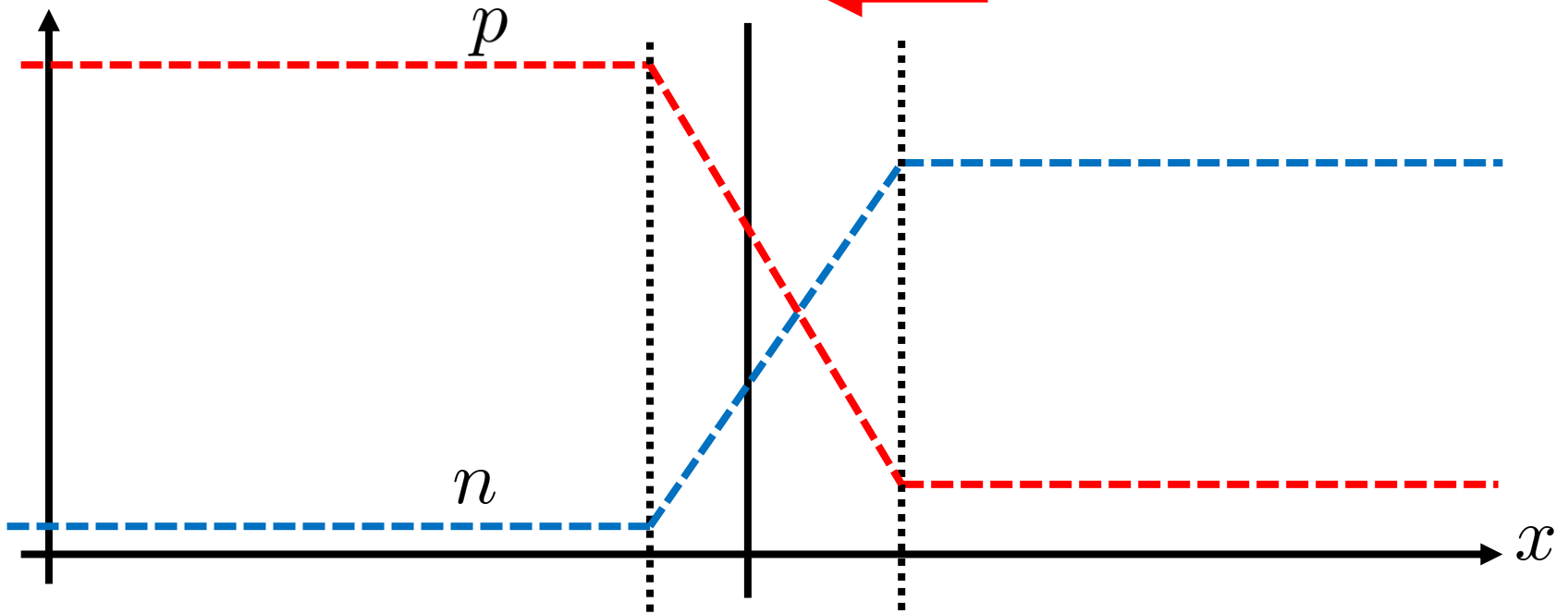


Forward bias

electric field \mathcal{E}
→

log(carrier density)

h+ diffusion →
h+ drift ←
new h+ drift ←

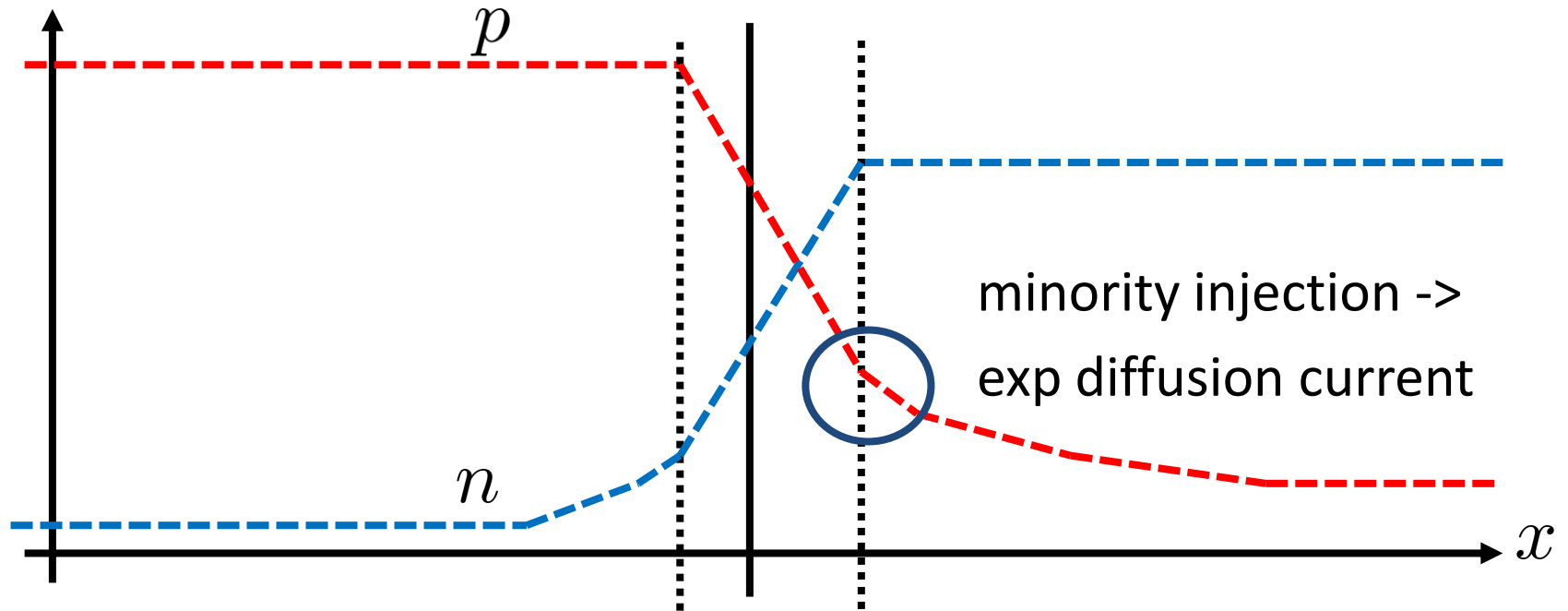


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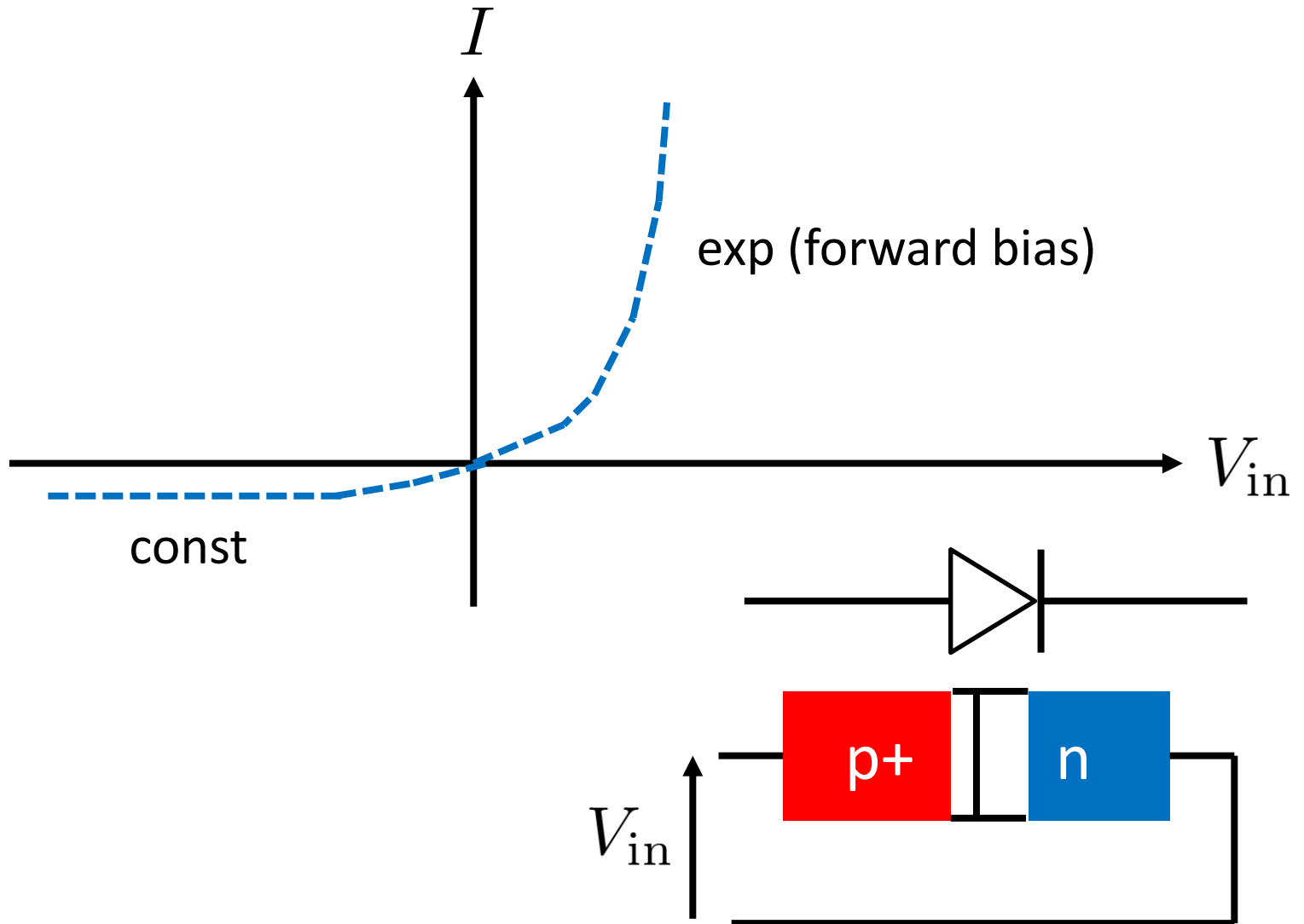
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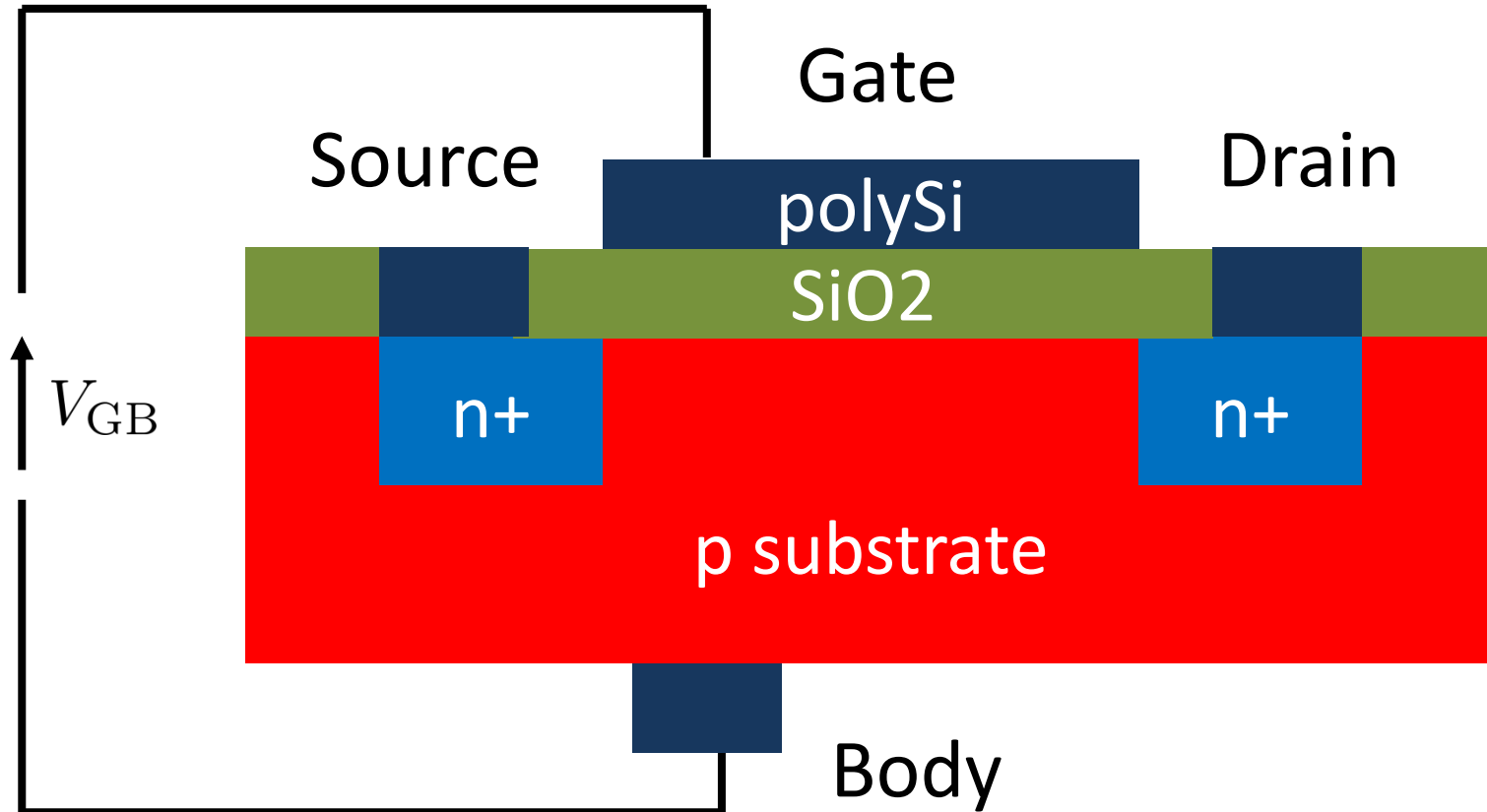


pn-junction current



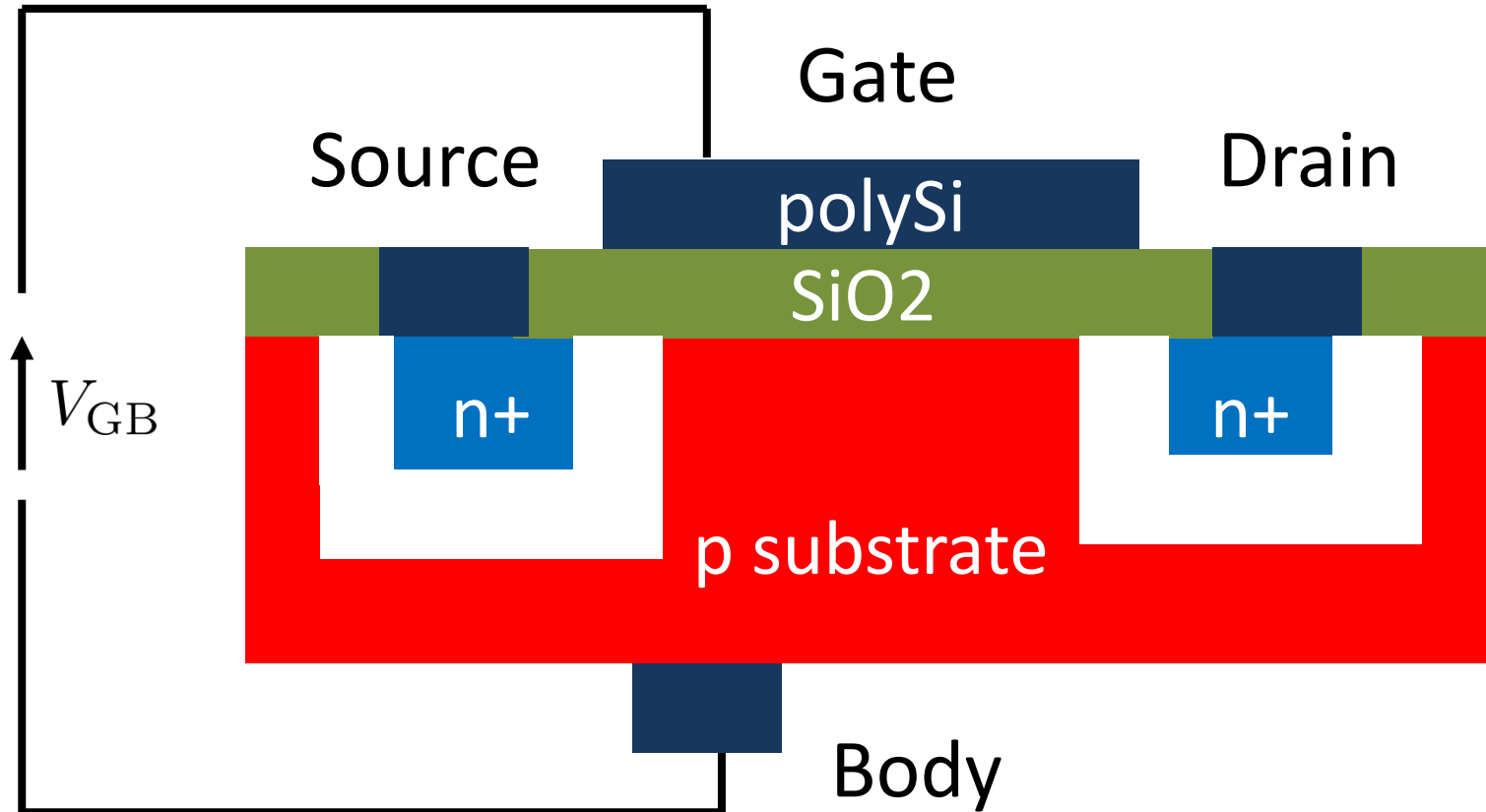
MOSFET

n (channel) MOSFET



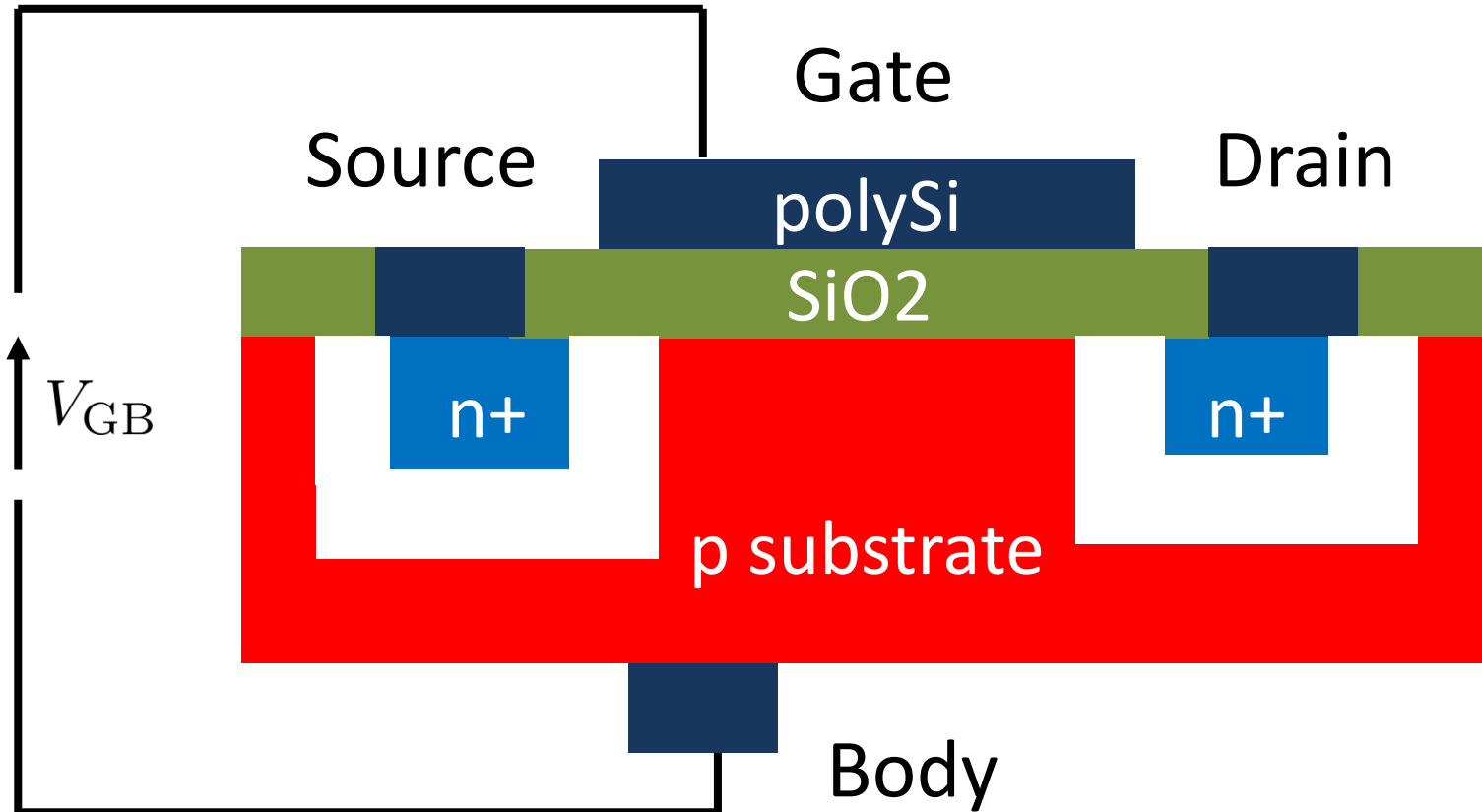
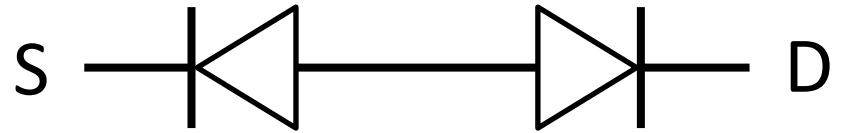
MOSFET

Two pn junctions



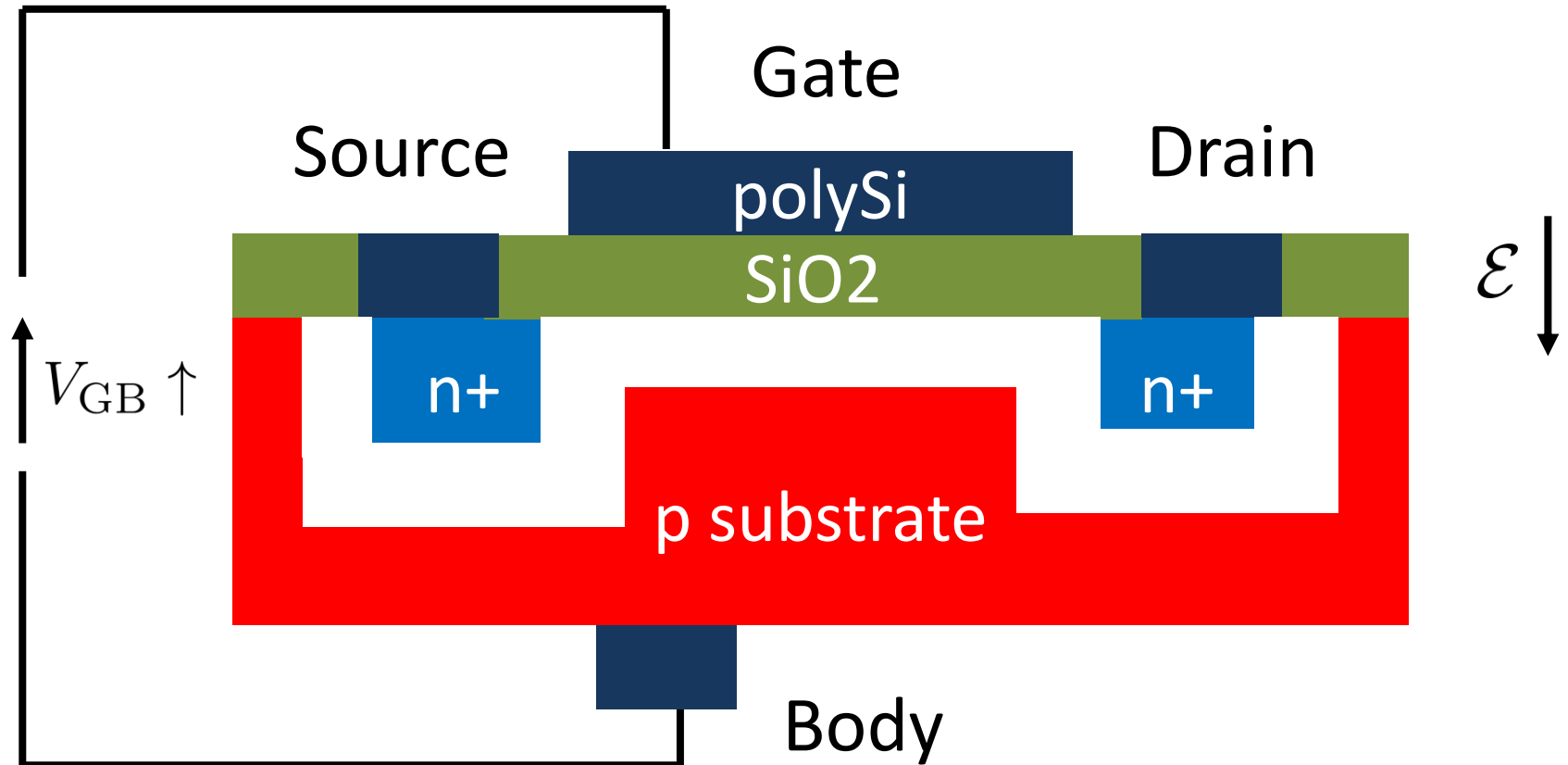
MOSFET

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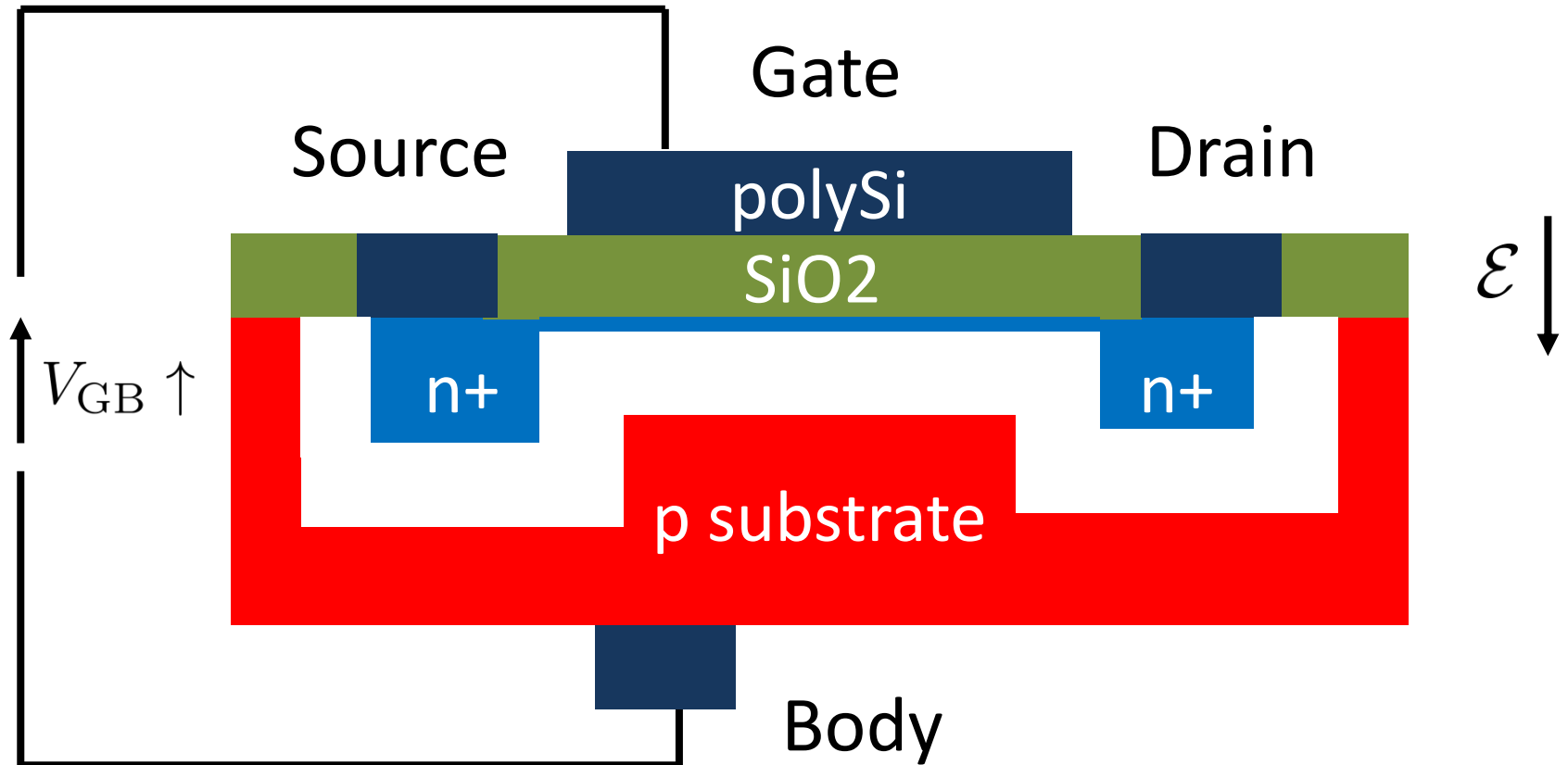
Increasing V_{GB} ...

-> Electric field -> Depletion Region



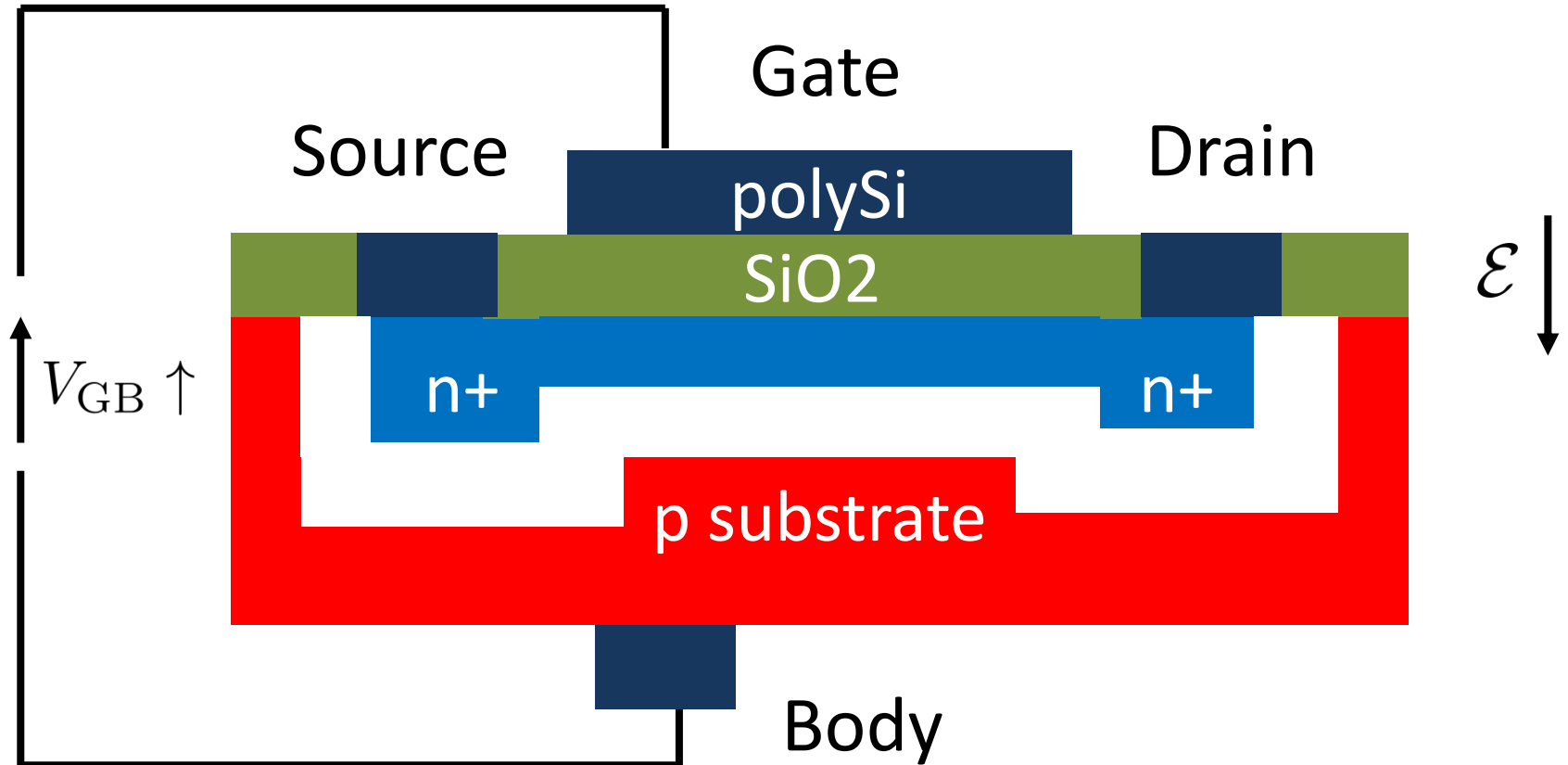
... further increasing...

-> Depletion Region & inversion starts at $V_{GB} = V_{th}$

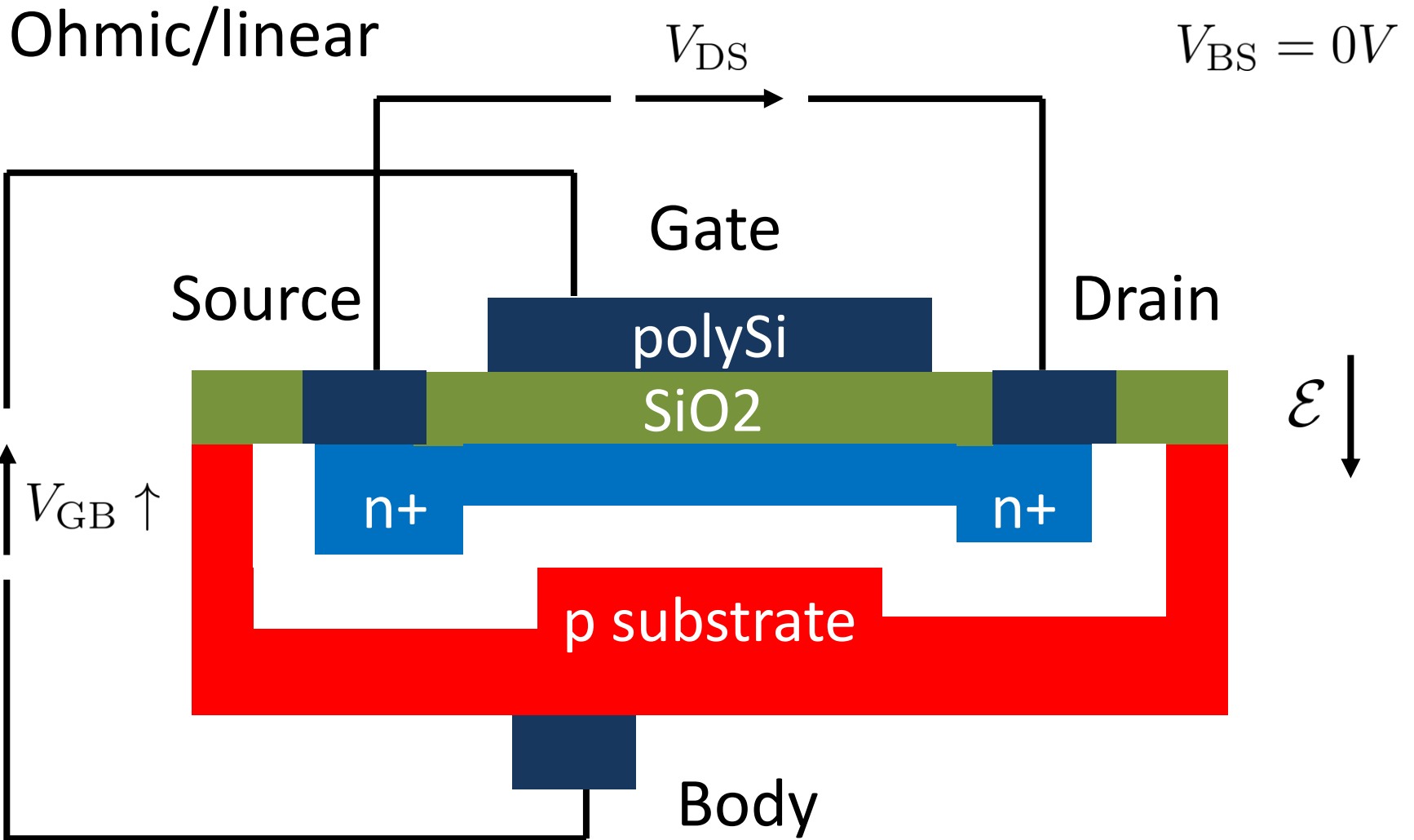


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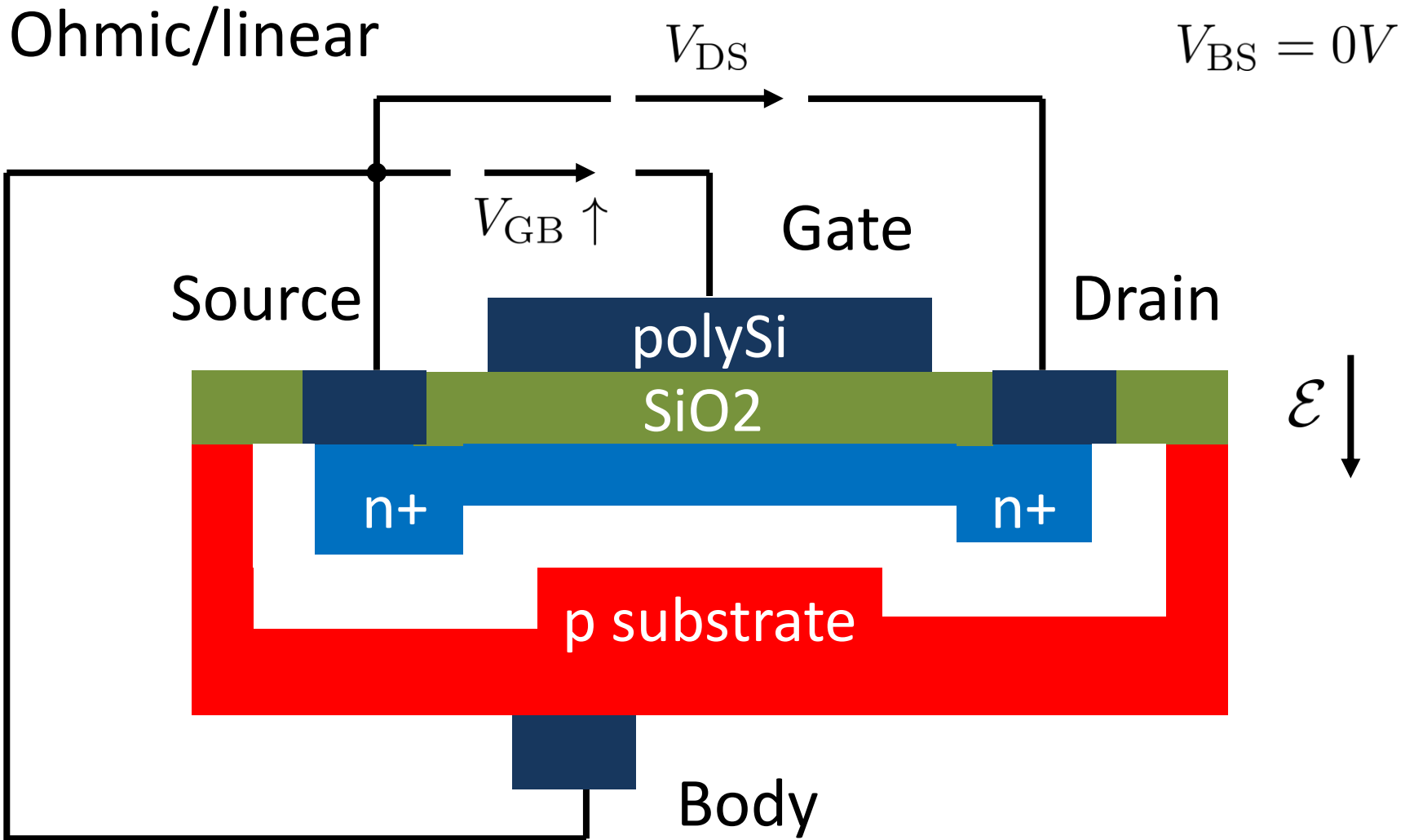
-> Inversion & n-channel forms: $V_{GB} \geq V_{th}$



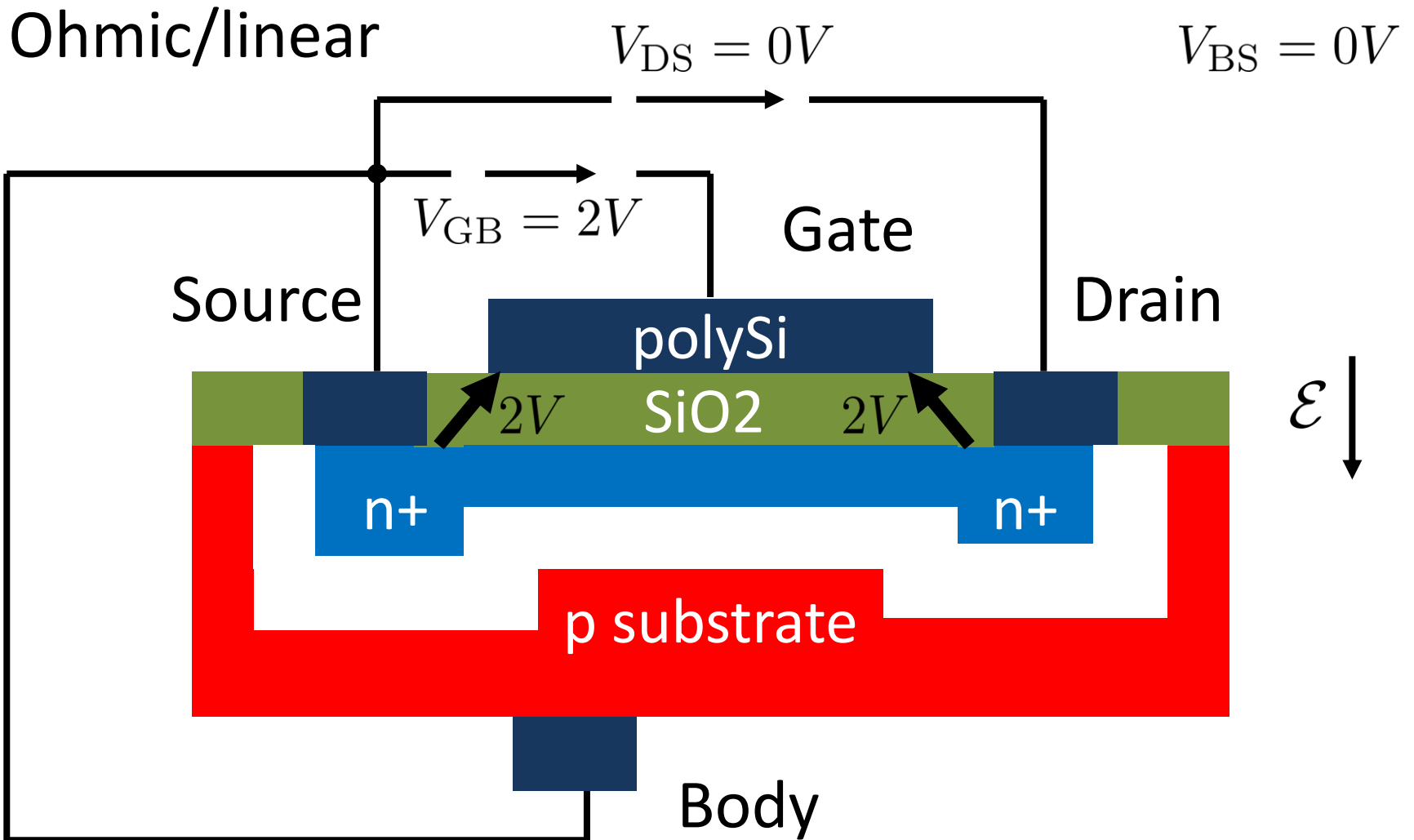
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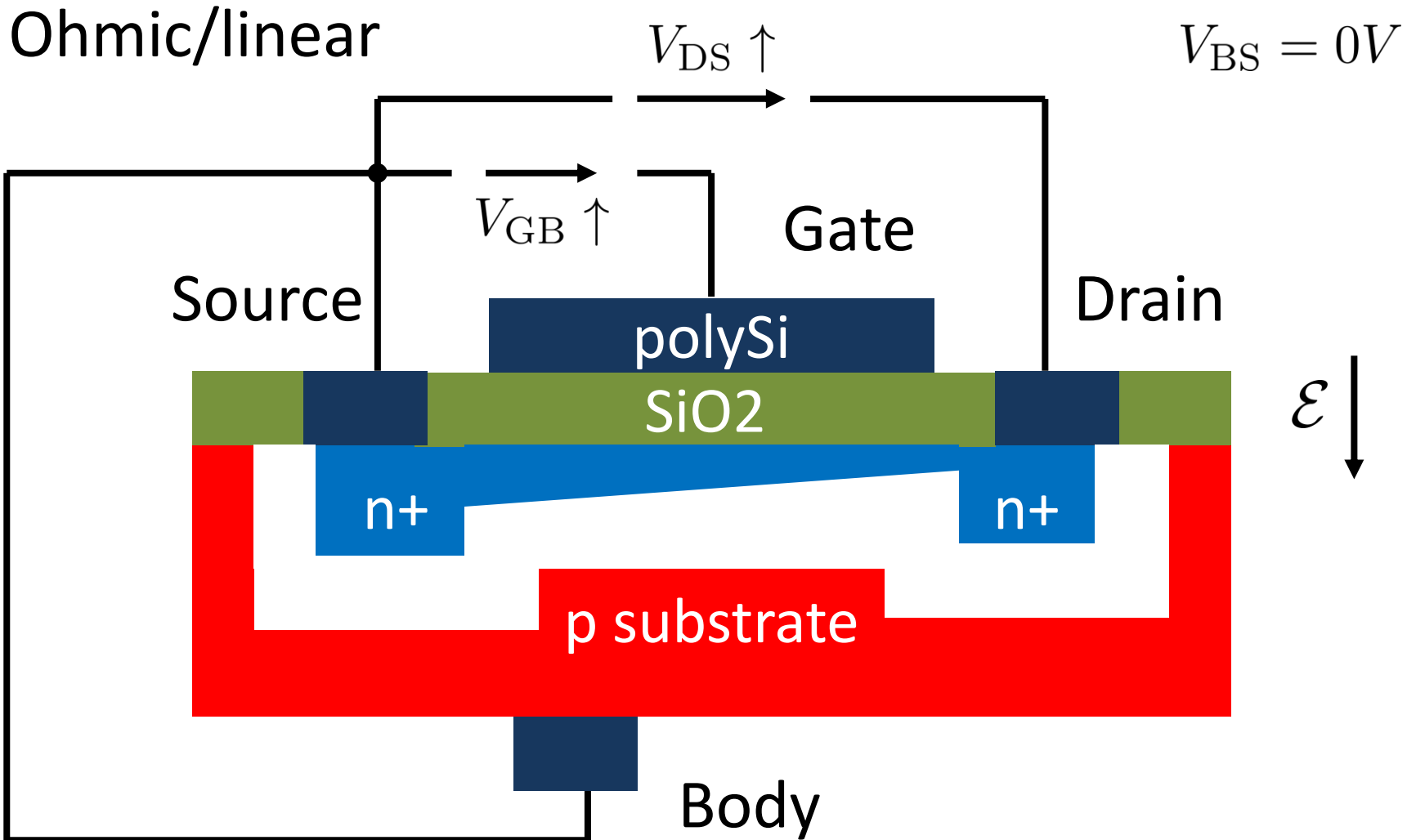
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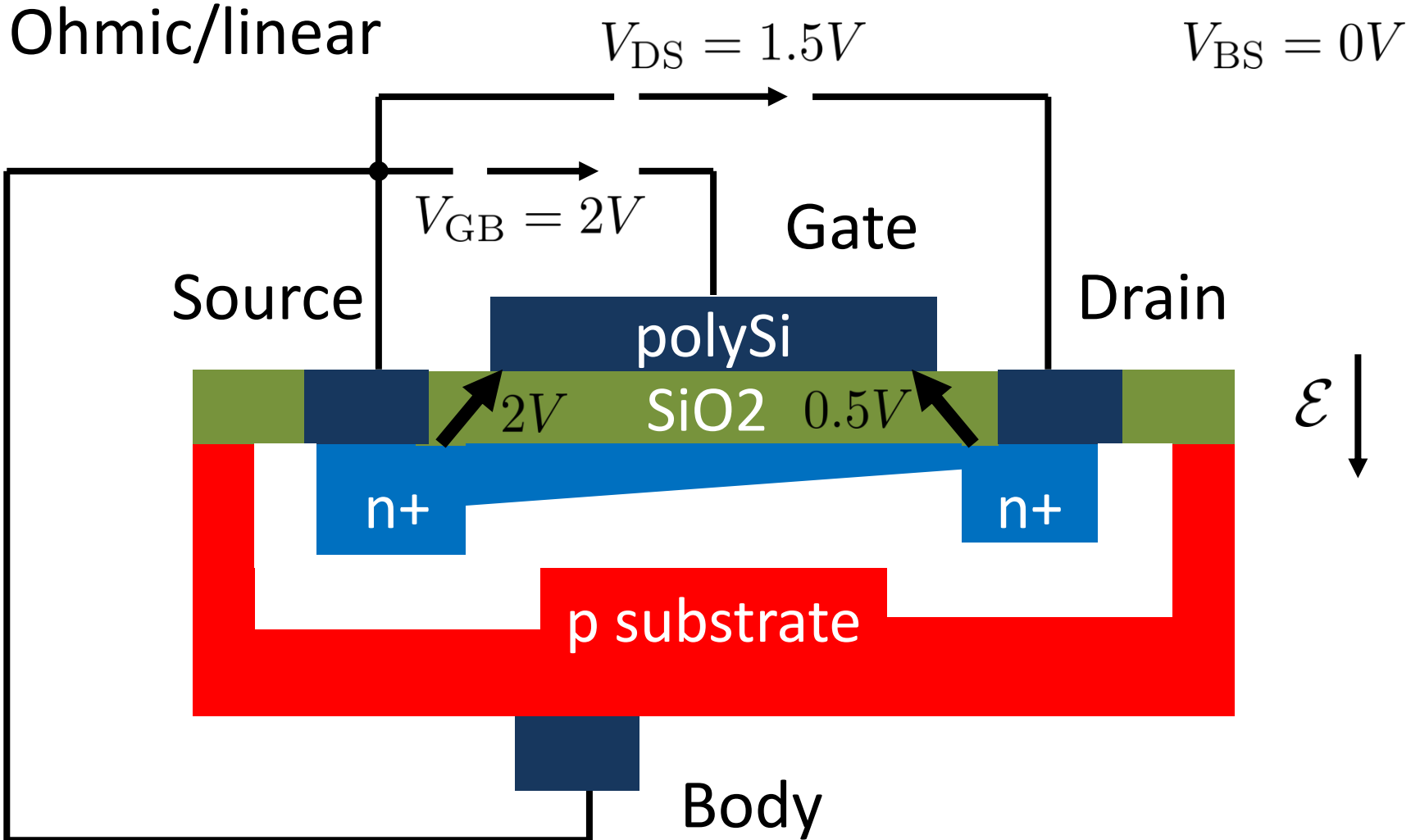
MOSFET – channel potential



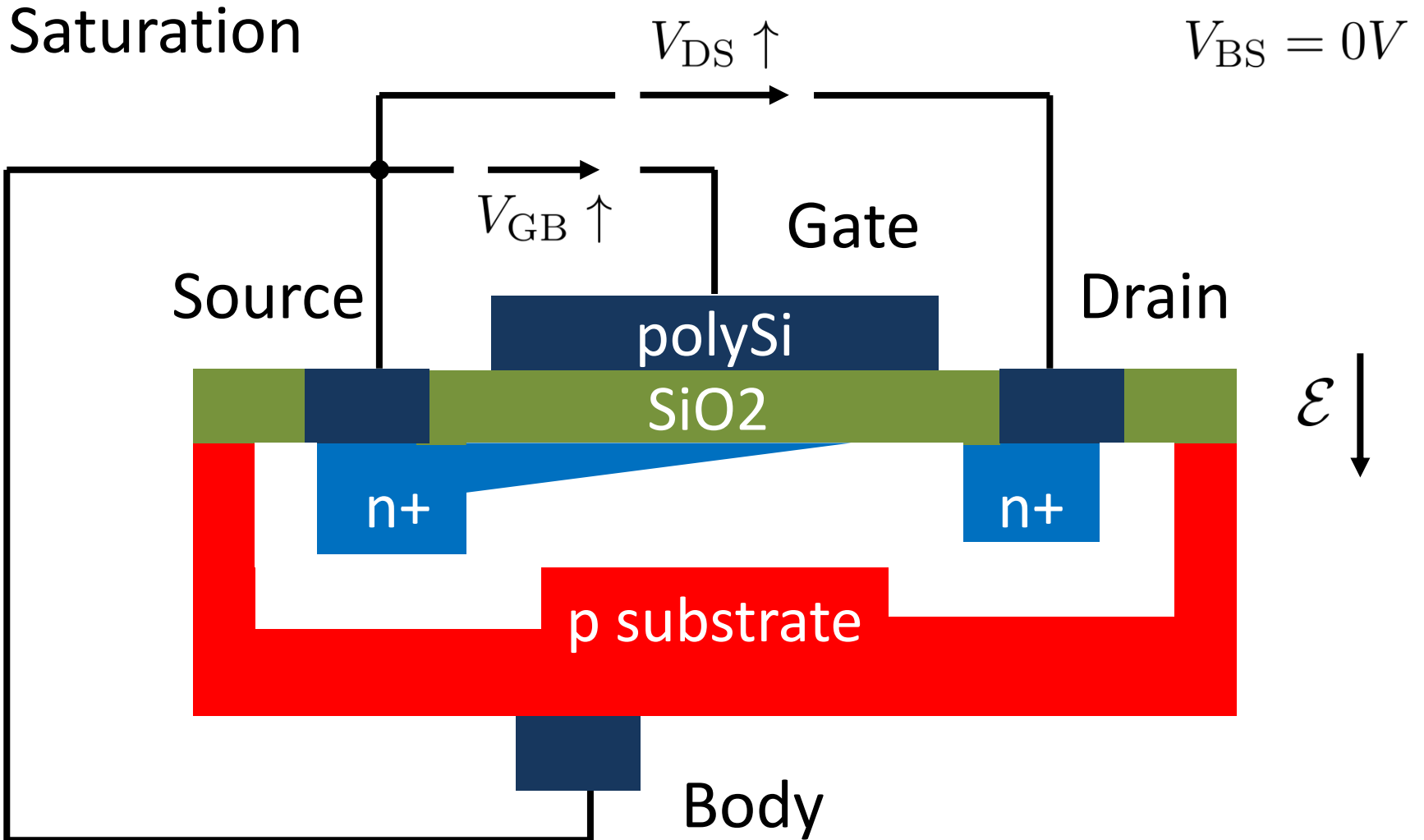
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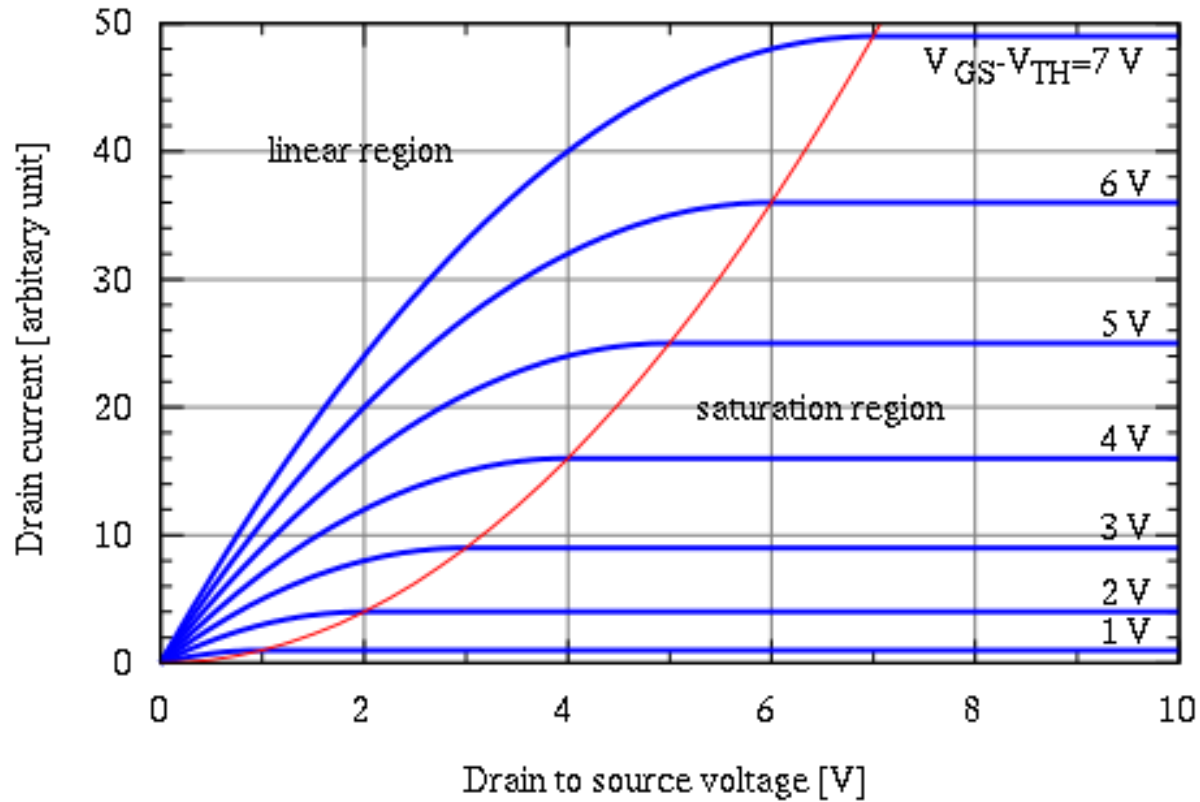
MOSFET – channel shape



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