

$V_{DSSAT}$  : LIMIT TRIODE - ACTIVE REGION

(2)

THERE IS NOT A HARD LIMIT:

$i_f \gg i_r \rightarrow$  ACTIVE, OTHERWISE, TRIODE.

$$\phi(i_f) - \phi(i_r) = \frac{V_P - V_S}{V_T} - \frac{V_P - V_D}{V_T} = \frac{V_{DS}}{V_T} \quad (1)$$

$$\phi(i_f) - \phi(i_r) = \sqrt{1+i_f} - 2 + \ln(\sqrt{1+i_f} - 1) - \sqrt{1+i_r} + 2 - \ln(\sqrt{1+i_r} - 1) \quad (2)$$

$$= (\sqrt{1+i_f} - 1) \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{1+i_r} - 1}{\sqrt{1+i_f} - 1}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{1+i_f} - 1}{\sqrt{1+i_r} - 1}\right)$$

DEFINE  $\xi = \frac{\sqrt{1+i_r} - 1}{\sqrt{1+i_f} - 1}$ , COMBINE (1) AND (2)

$$\frac{V_{DS}}{V_T} = (\sqrt{1+i_f} - 1) (1 - \xi) + \ln\left(\frac{1}{\xi}\right)$$

$$\therefore V_{DS} = V_T \left[ \ln\left(\frac{1}{\xi}\right) + (1 - \xi)(\sqrt{1+i_f} - 1) \right]$$

$\xi$  VERY SMALL  $\Rightarrow i_f \gg i_r \Rightarrow$  DEVICE IS ACTIVE

$$\xi = 0.01 \Rightarrow V_{DSSAT} = V_T \left( 4.6 + 0.99(\sqrt{1+i_f} - 1) \right) \\ \approx V_T (3.6 + \sqrt{1+i_f})$$

• IN PRACTICE WE WILL USE 3 INSTEAD OF 3.6, THAT IS EQUIVALENT TO  $\xi = 0.018$ , STILL SMALL.