## EE105 Microelectronic Devices and Circuits: MOSFET

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## **Creating a "Channel" for Current Flow**

Vas > Vt ⇒ Inversion



MOS is a capacitor across an insulator (oxide) When a positive voltage is applied at Gate, electrons are induced under the gate.

At "thresold", sufficient number of electrons form a "channel" between Source and Drain, forming a conductive channel.

Total charge in the channel:

$$\left|Q\right| = C_{ox} \cdot WL \cdot \left(v_{GS} - V_{t}\right)$$

where  $C_{ox} = \frac{\varepsilon_{ox}}{t_{ox}}$  is oxide capacitance

per unit area

 $\varepsilon_{ox} = 3.9\varepsilon_0 = 3.9 \times 8.854 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$ 

- W: gate width
- L: gate length
- $V_t$ : Threshold voltage

 $v_{GS} - V_t = v_{OV}$  is called "Overdrive Voltage"



