

Future of Si nano CMOS technology

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Tokyo Institute of Technology
Founded in 1881, Promoted to Univ. 1929

Institute Overview

Established in 1881 → 130th anniversary in 2011

3 undergraduate schools

School of Science, School of Engineering, School of Bioscience and Biotechnology

7 graduate schools

Science and Engineering Science, Science and Engineering Technology,
Bioscience and Biotechnology, Interdisciplinary Graduate School of Science and Engineering,
Information Science and Engineering, Decision Science and Technology, Innovation Management

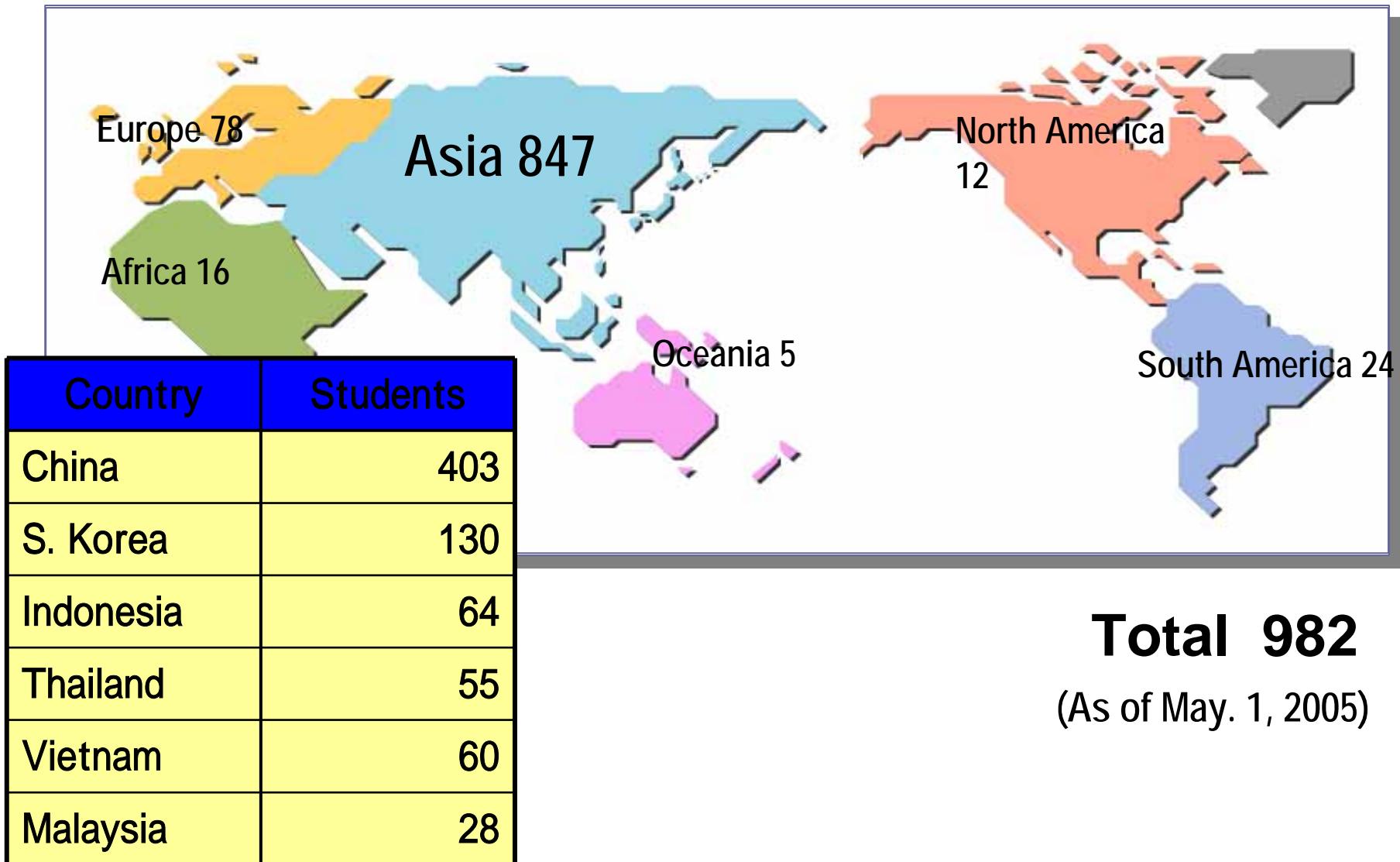
Total Number of Students

	Undergraduate	Graduate	Master's	Doctoral	Teaching Staff	Student/Instructor	Staff
Tokyo Inst.	5,000	5,000	3,500	1,500	1,200	8.3	550
Per Year	1,200		1,800	500			



Einstein Visit

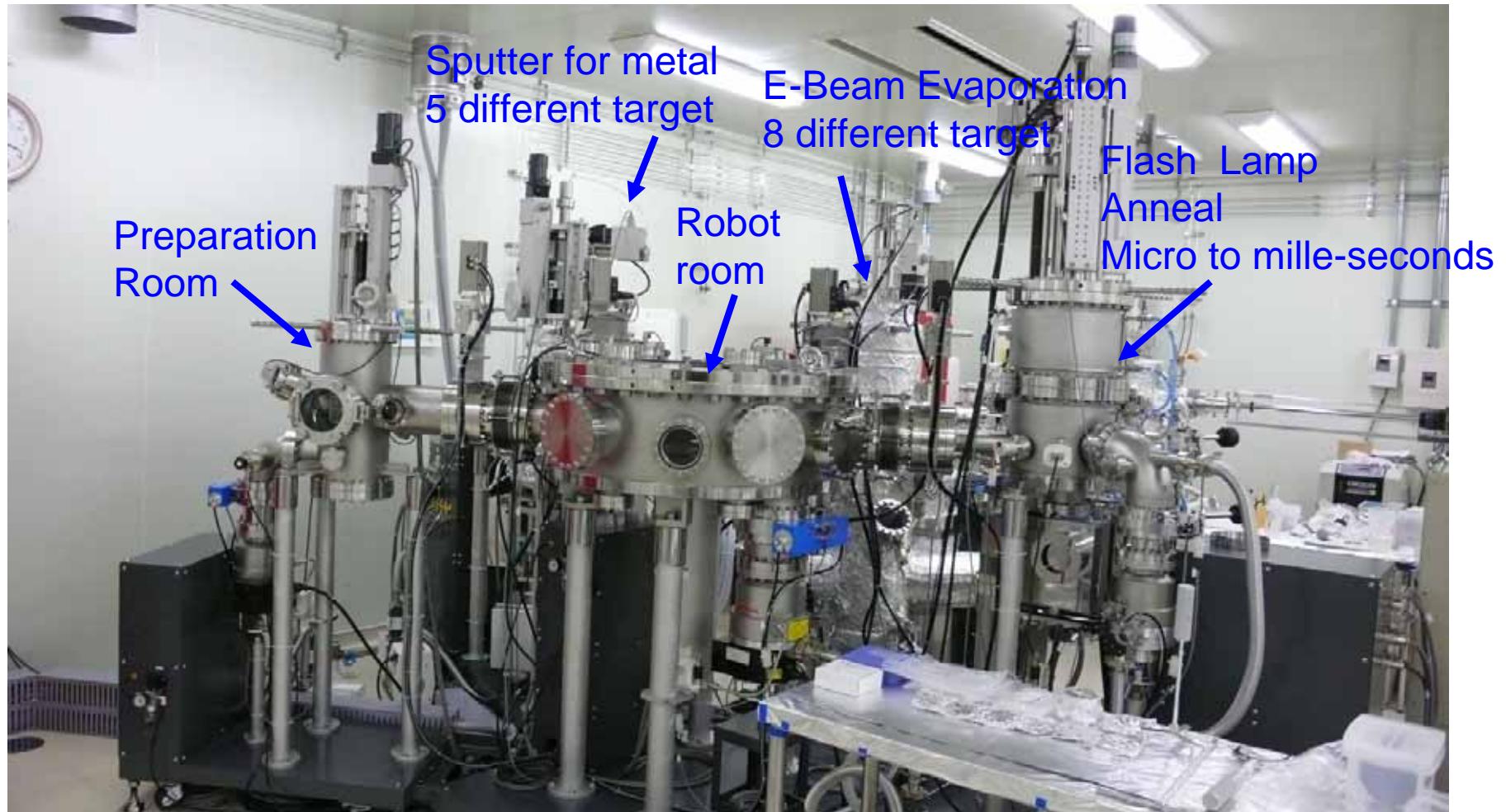
International Students



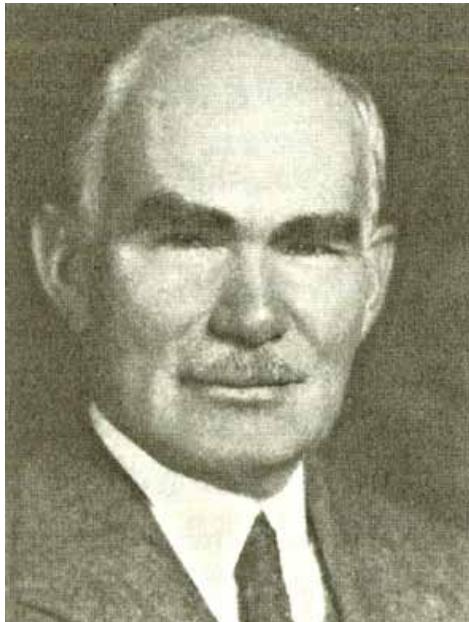
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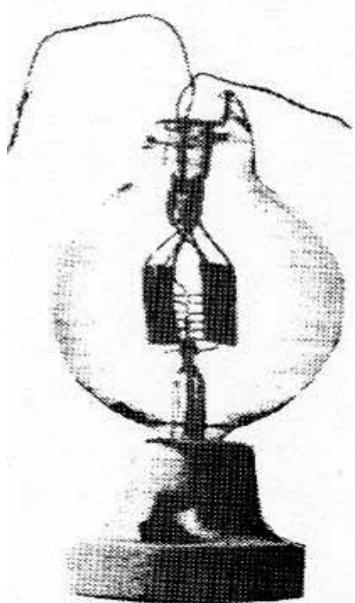
Cluster tool for high-k thin film deposition



- There were many inventions in the 20th century:
Airplane, Nuclear Power generation, Computer,
Space aircraft, etc
- However, everything has to be controlled by
electronics
- Electronics
 - Most important invention in the 20th century
- What is Electronics: To use electrons,
Electronic Circuits

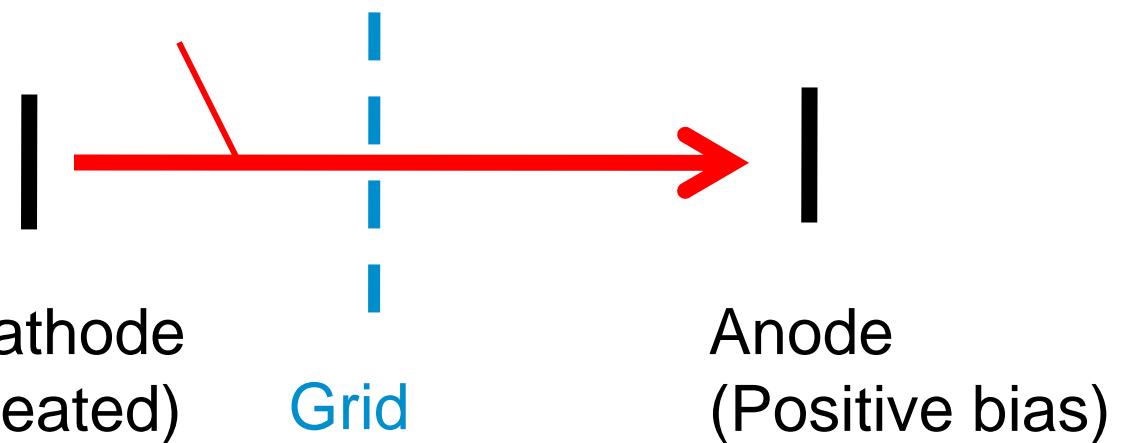


Lee De Forest



Electronic Circuits started by the invention of vacuum tube (Triode) in 1906

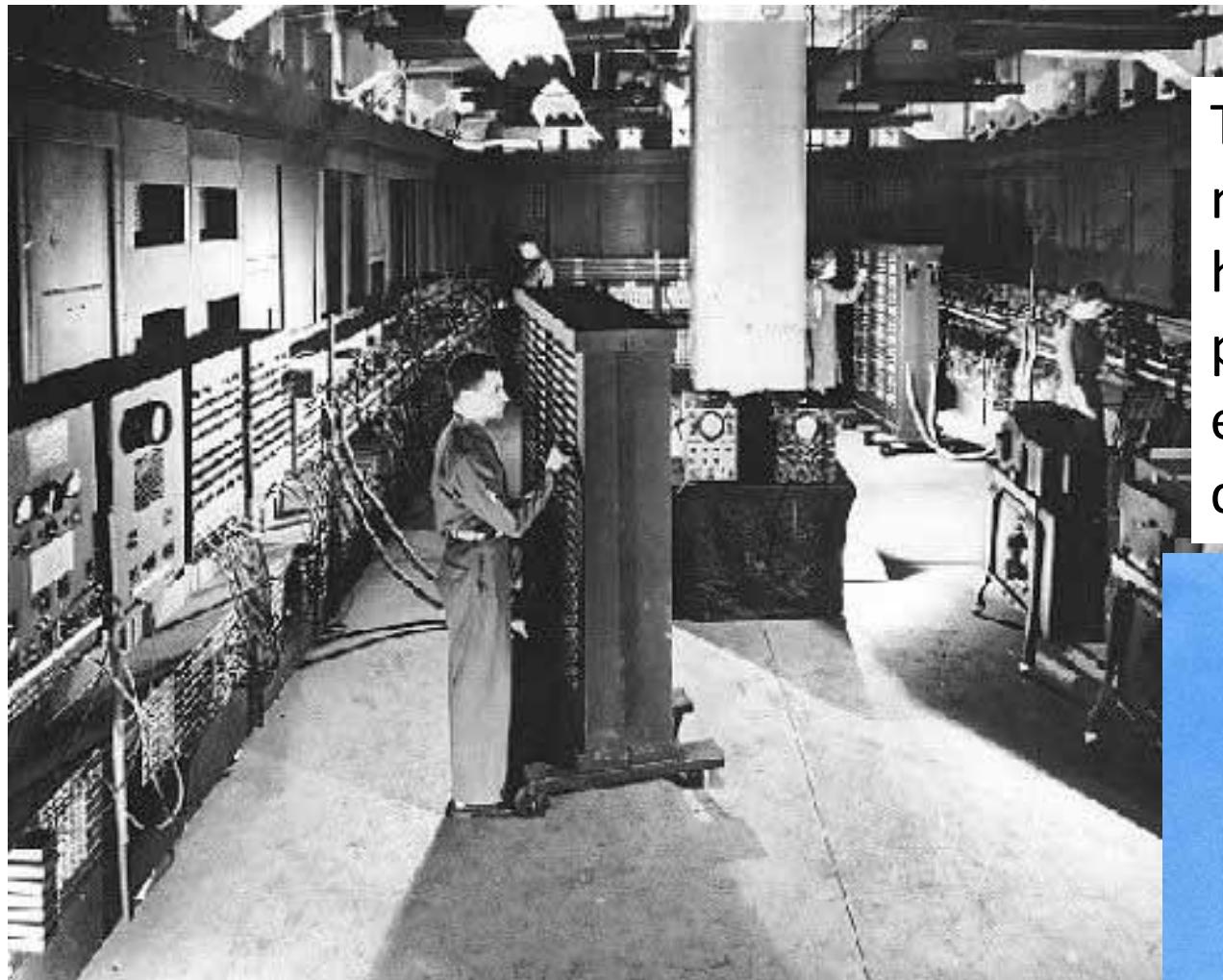
Thermal electrons from cathode controlled by grid bias



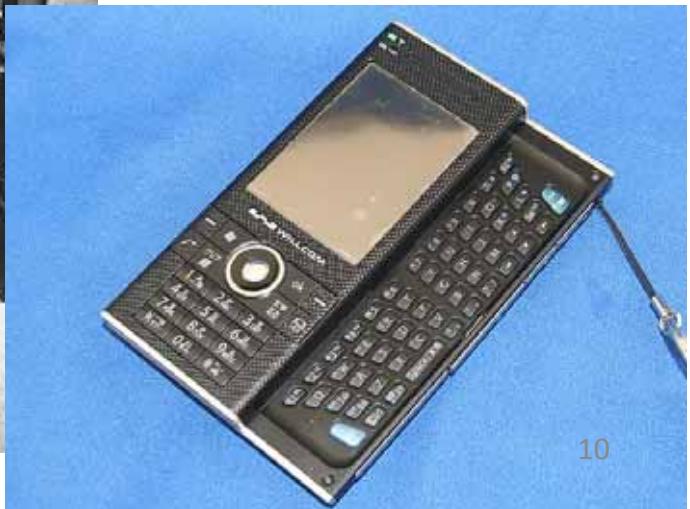
Same mechanism as that of transistor

First Computer Eniac: made of huge number of vacuum tubes 1946
Big size, huge power, short life time filament

→ dreamed of replacing vacuum tube with solid-state device



Today's pocket PC
made of semiconductor
has much higher
performance with
extremely low power
consumption



Needless to say, but....

CMOS Technology:

Indispensable for our human society

All the human activities are controlled by CMOS

living, production, financing, telecommunication,
transportation, medical care, education,
entertainment, etc.

Without CMOS:

There is no computer in banks, and
world economical activities immediately stop.

Cellarer phone dose not exists

Downsizing of the components has been the driving force for circuit evolution



1900	1950	1960	1970	2000
Vacuum Tube	Transistor	IC	LSI	ULSI
10 cm 10^{-1} m	cm 10^{-2} m	mm 10^{-3} m	10 μ m 10^{-5} m	100 nm 10^{-7} m

In 100 years, the size reduced by one million times.
There have been many devices from stone age.
We have never experienced such a tremendous reduction of devices in human history.

Downsizing

1. Reduce Capacitance

- Reduce switching time of MOSFETs
- Increase clock frequency
 - Increase circuit operation speed

2. Increase number of Transistors

- Parallel processing
 - Increase circuit operation speed

Downsizing contribute to the performance increase in double ways

Thus, downsizing of Si devices is the most important and critical issue.¹³

Question:

How far we can go
with downscaling?

How far can we go?

Past

1973年

0.7 times per 3 years

In 40 years: 15 generations,
Size 1/200, Area 1/40,000



$8\mu\text{m} \rightarrow 6\mu\text{m} \rightarrow 4\mu\text{m} \rightarrow 3\mu\text{m} \rightarrow 2\mu\text{m} \rightarrow 1.2\mu\text{m} \rightarrow 0.8\mu\text{m} \rightarrow 0.5\mu\text{m}$
 $\rightarrow 0.35\mu\text{m} \rightarrow 0.25\mu\text{m} \rightarrow 180\text{nm} \rightarrow 130\text{nm} \rightarrow 90\text{nm} \rightarrow 65\text{nm} \rightarrow 45\text{nm}$

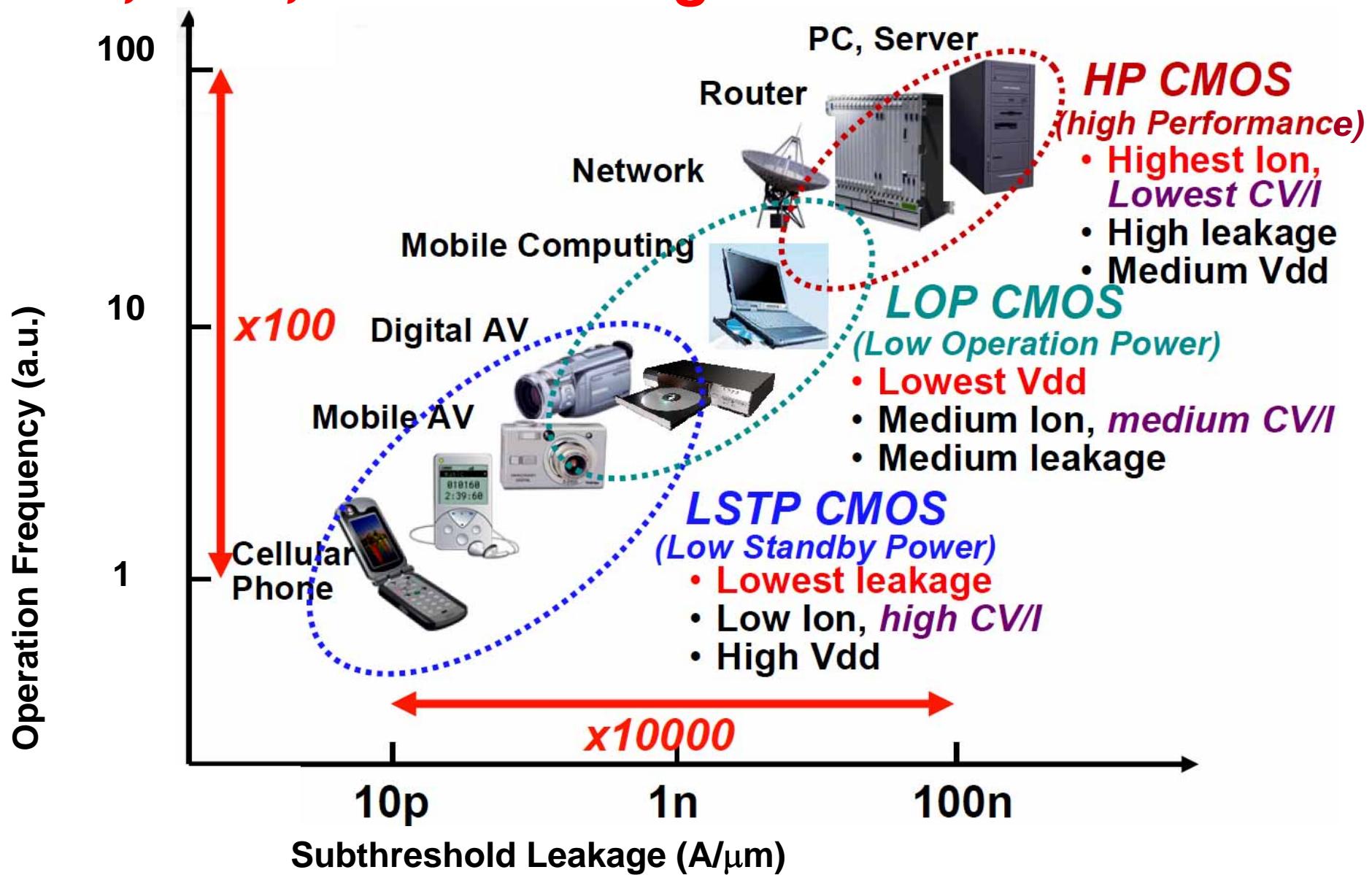
Now

Future

$\rightarrow 32\text{nm} \rightarrow 22\text{nm} \rightarrow 16\text{nm} \rightarrow 11.5\text{ nm} \rightarrow 8\text{nm} \rightarrow 5.5\text{nm?} \rightarrow 4\text{nm?} \rightarrow 2.9\text{ nm?}$

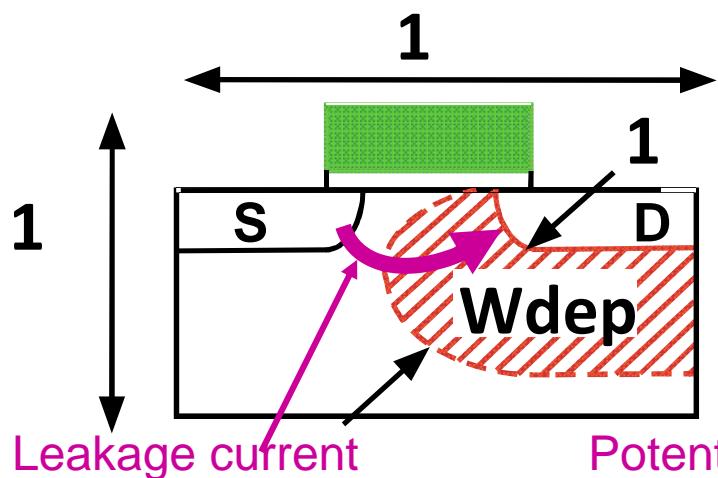
- At least 5,6 generations, for 15 ~ 20 years
- Hopefully 8 generations, for 30 years

HP, LOP, LSTP for Logic CMOS



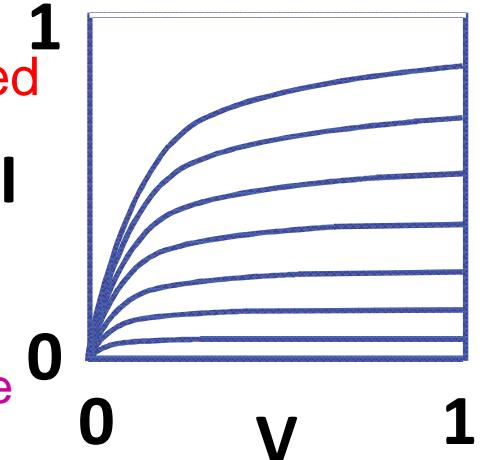
Source: 2007 ITRS Winter Public Conf.

Scaling Method: by R. Dennard in 1974



W_{dep}: Space Charge Region
(or Depletion Region) Width

W_{dep} has to be suppressed
Otherwise, large leakage
between S and D

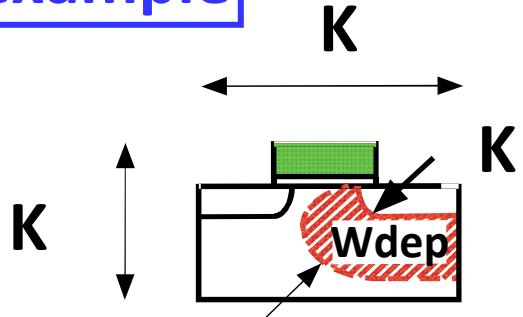


Potential in space charge region is
high, and thus, electrons in source are
attracted to the space charge region.

K=0.7
for
example

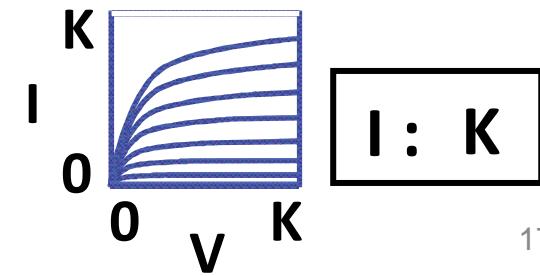
X , Y , Z : K, V : K, Na : 1/K

By the scaling, W_{dep} is suppressed in proportion,
and thus, leakage can be suppressed.



→ Good scaled I-V characteristics

$$W_{dep} \propto \sqrt{V/Na} : K$$



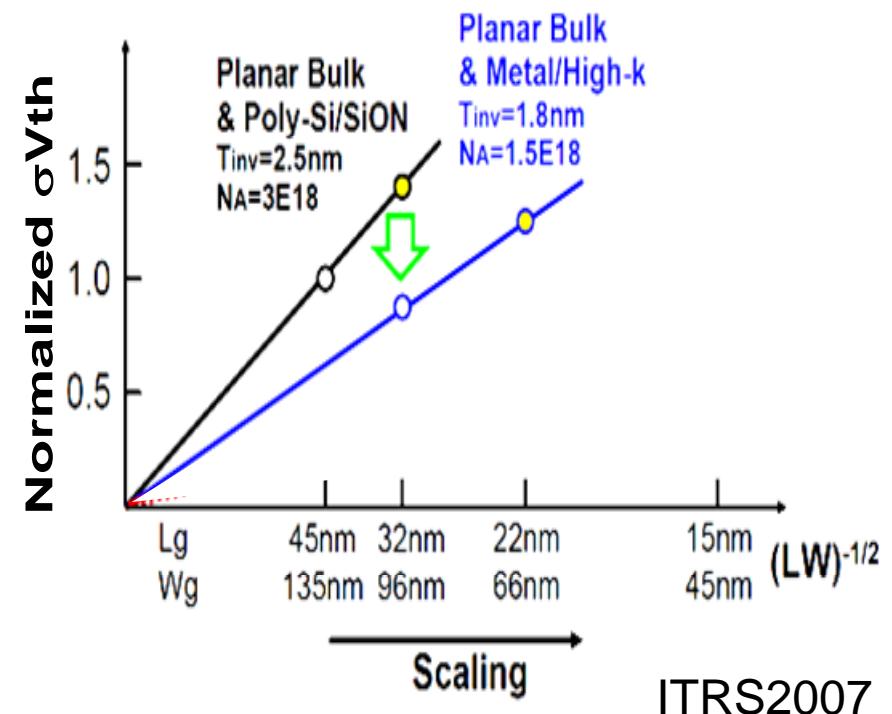
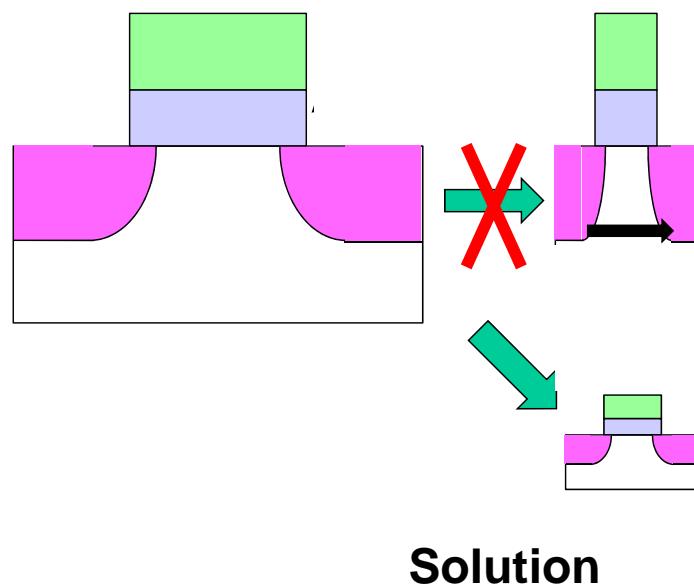
I : K

Scaling of high beyond 0.5 nm is important

$$\text{Power of FET} = CV^2/2 \quad D^3 (=L^3)$$

Problems

- SCE
- Variation in V_{th}
- Increase in Off-leakage current



Down scaling is the most effective way of Power saving.

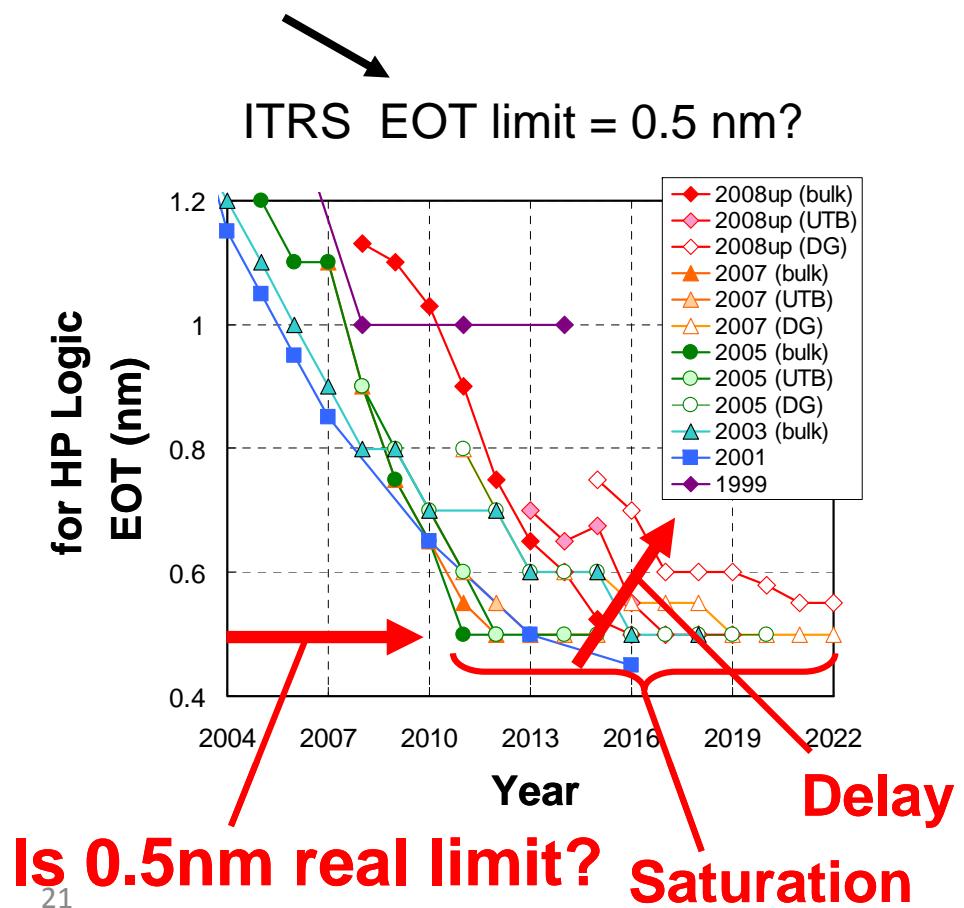
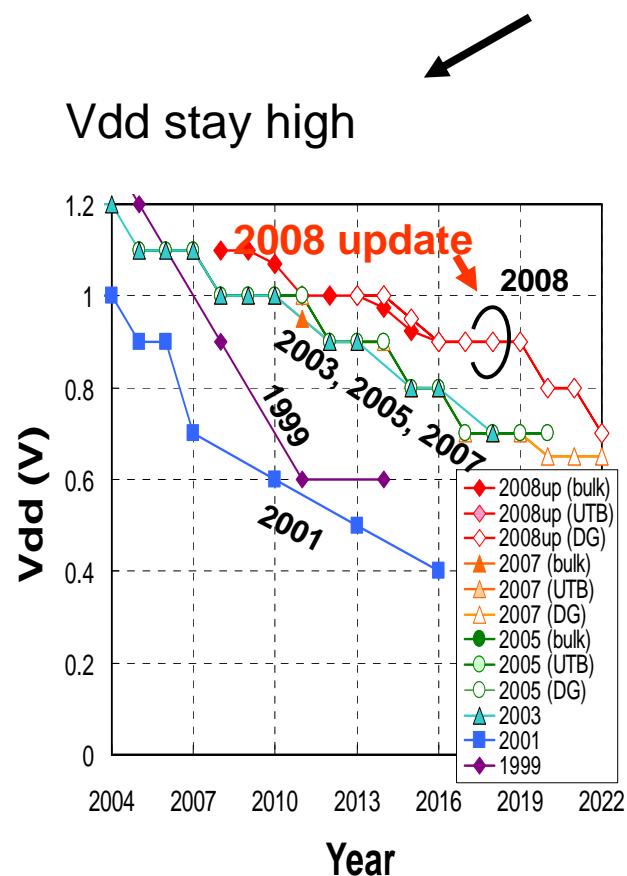
It has been always discussed about the limit of downscaling, but the down scaling of MOSFETs is still possible for another 10 or 20 years!

3 important technological items for DS.

1. Thinning of high-k beyond 0.5 nm
2. Metal S/D
3. Si-Nanowire FET

High k gate stack

ITRS



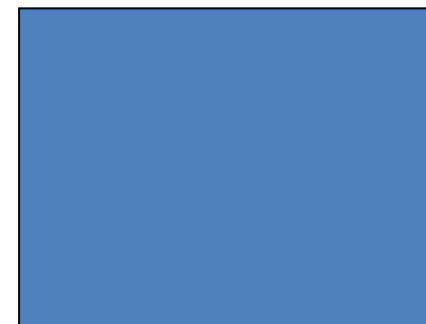
To use high-k dielectrics

K: Dielectric Constant

Thin gate SiO_2



Thick gate high-k dielectrics



Thick
Small
leakage
Current

Almost the same
electric characteristics

However, very difficult and big challenge!

Remember MOSFET had not been realized
without Si/SiO_2 !

Choice of High-k elements for oxide

Candidates										Gas or liquid at 1000 K						Radio active							
Unstable at Si interface										He						He							
H	Si + MO _x M + SiO ₂										B	C	N	O	F	Ne	He						
Li	Be	Si + MO _x MSi _x + SiO ₂										Al Si						P	S	Cl	Ar		
Na	Mg	Si + MO _x M + MSi _x O _y										Al Si						He					
K	Ca Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fc	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr	He						
Rh	Sr Y Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rb	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe	He							
Cs	Ba	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn	He						
Fr	Ra	Rf	Ha	Sg	Ns	Hs	Mt																
														La Ce Pr Nd Pm Sm Eu Gd Tb Dy Ho Er Tm Yb Lu	He								
Ac	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr	He								

HfO₂ based dielectrics are selected as the first generation materials, because of their merit in
 1) band-offset,
 2) dielectric constant
 3) thermal stability

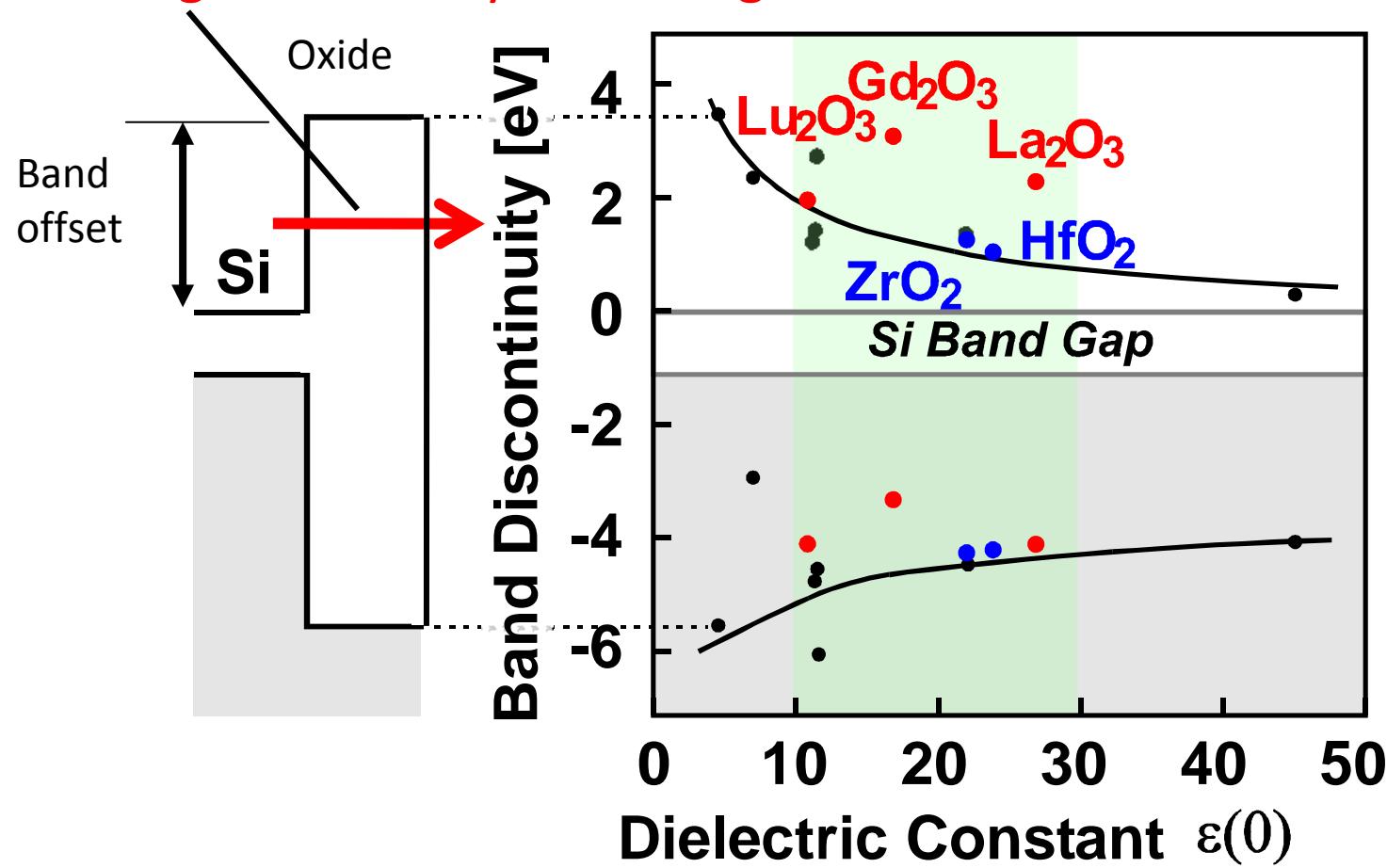
La₂O₃ based dielectrics are thought to be the next generation materials, which may not need a thicker interfacial layer

R. Hauser, IEDM Short Course, 1999

Hubbard and Schlom, J Mater Res 11 2757 (1996)

Conduction band offset vs. Dielectric Constant

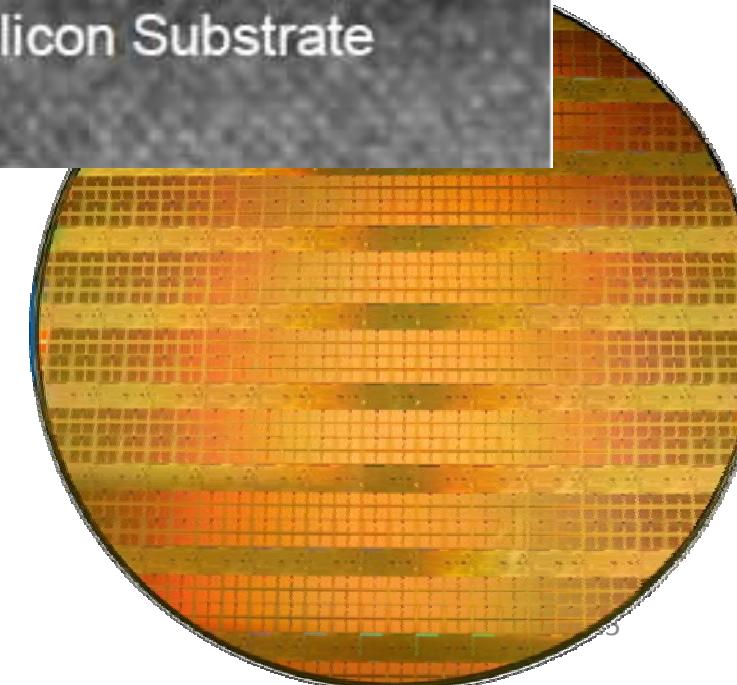
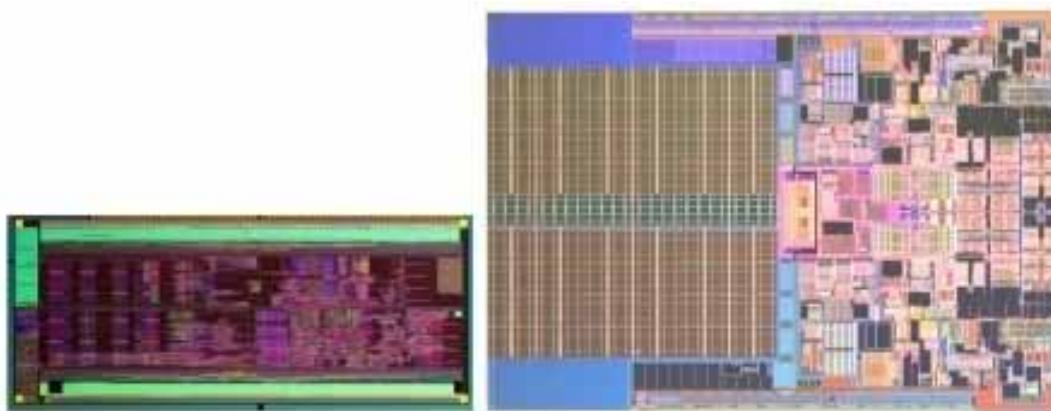
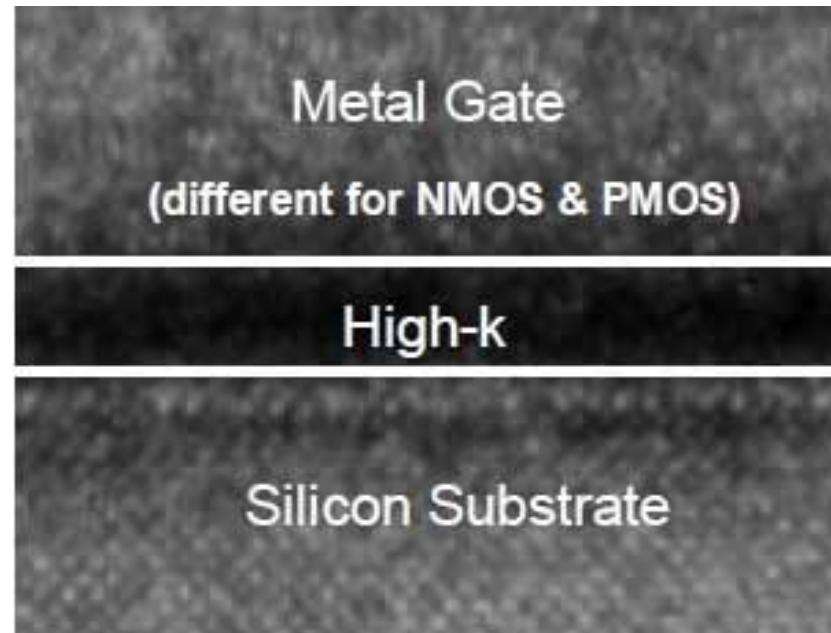
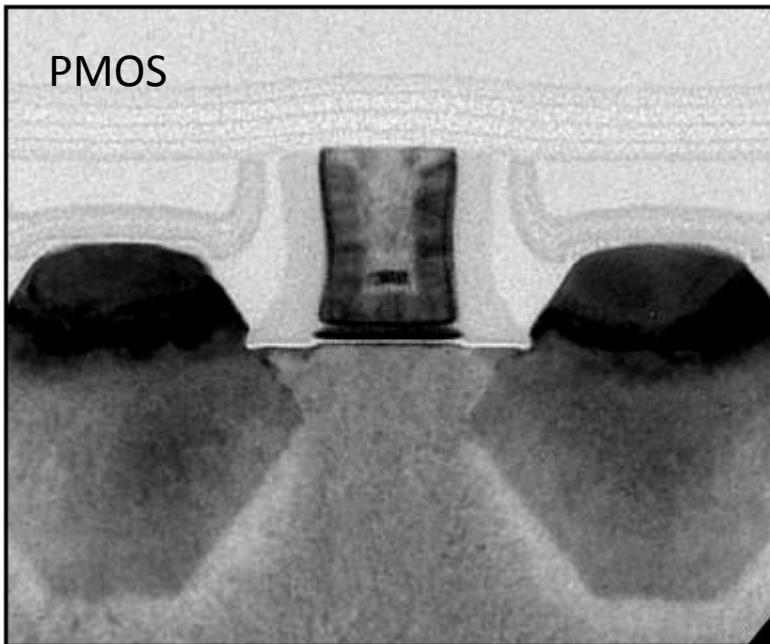
Leakage Current by Tunneling

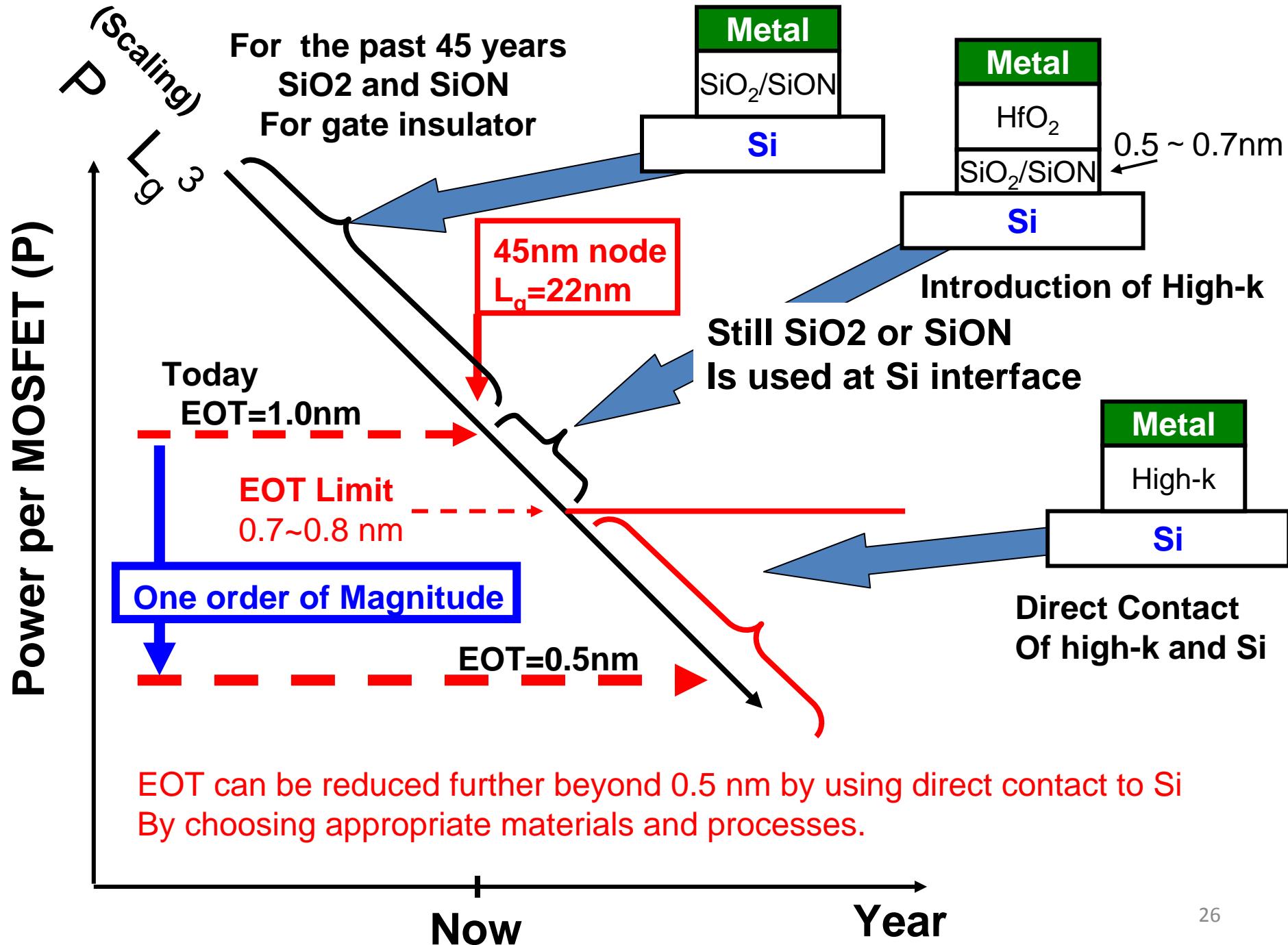


XPS measurement by Prof. T. Hattori, INFOS 2003

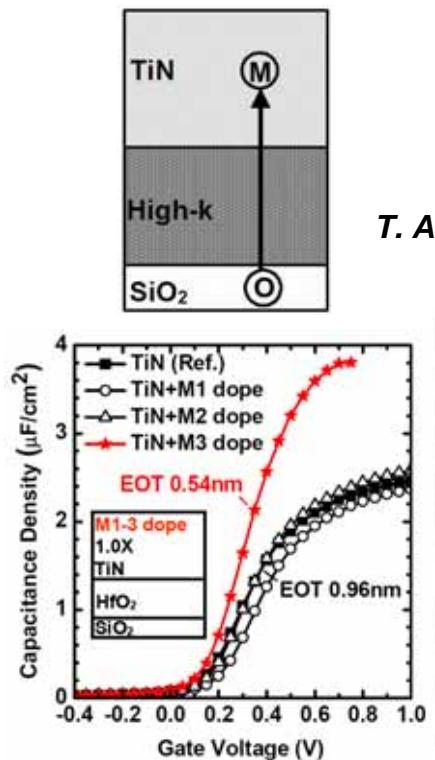
High-k gate insulator MOSFETs for Intel: EOT=1nm

EOT: Equivalent Oxide Thickness





Reports on direct contact of high-k/Si



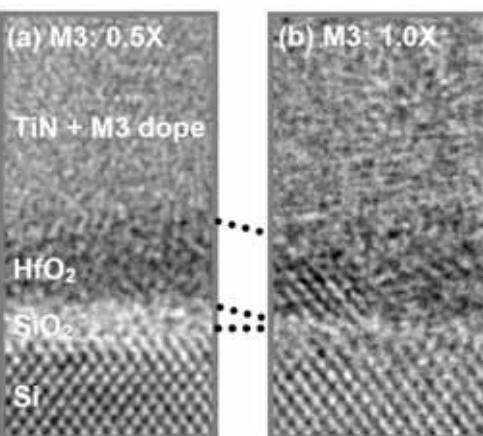
Control of oxygen atoms

→ Direct HfO₂/Si structure

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IL scavenging

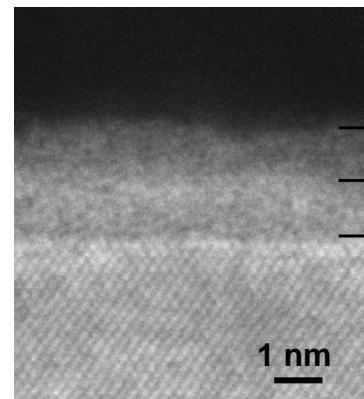
T. Ando, et al., IEDM. p.423 (2009).



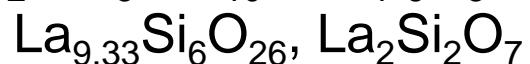
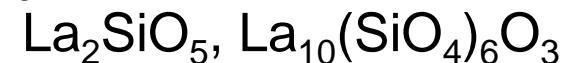
Our approach

500 °C, 30 min

K. Kakushima, et al.,
ESSDERC2009



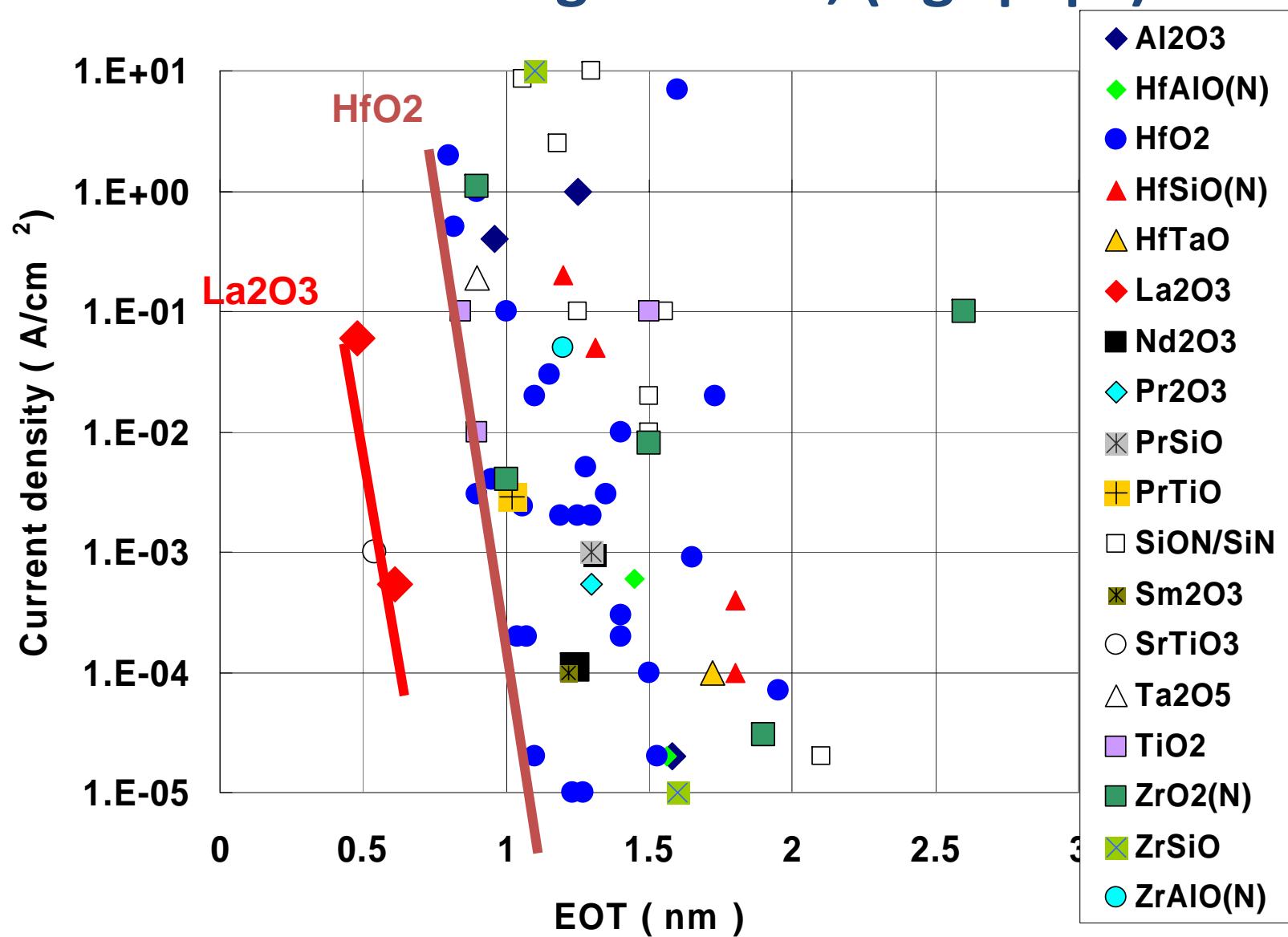
Silicate formation



La₂O₃ can easily achieve
direct contact of high-k/Si

Event, Venue information

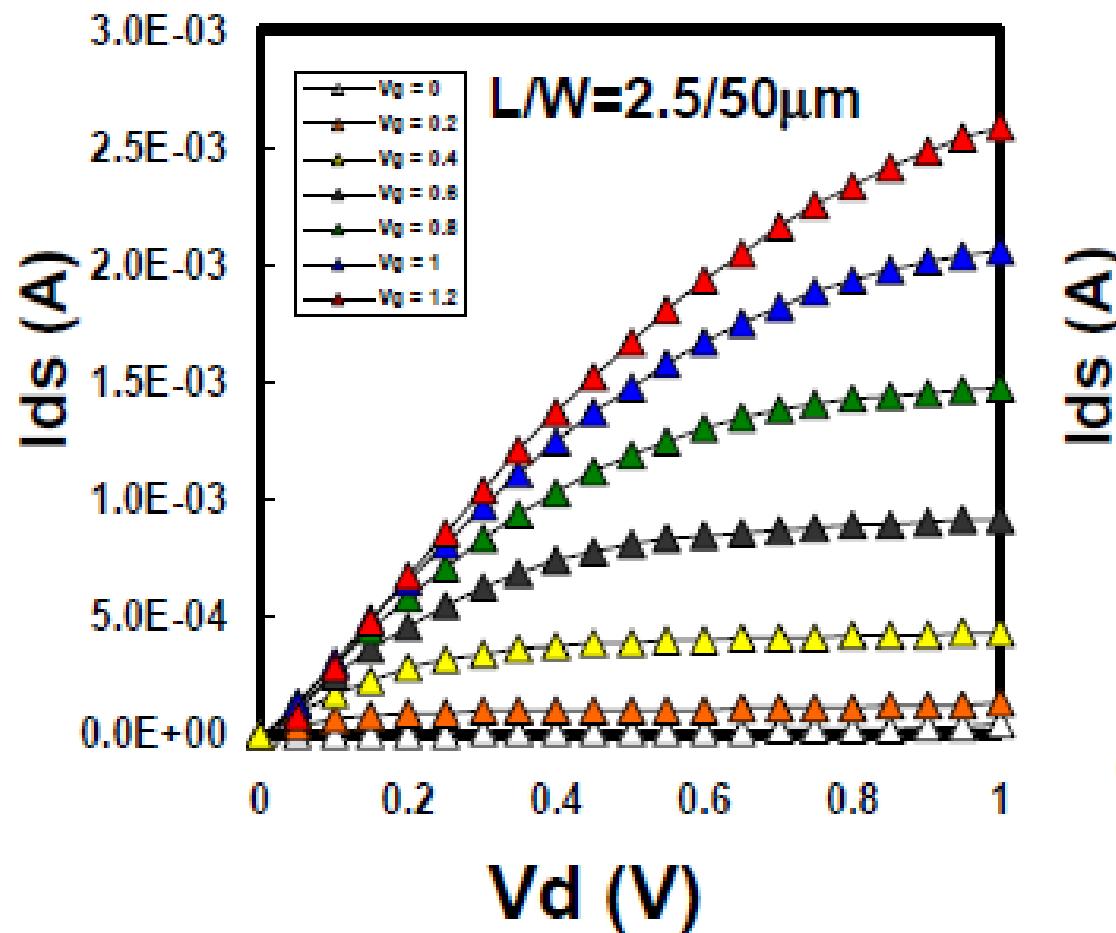
Gate Leakage vs EOT, ($V_g=|1|V$)



EOT = 0.48 nm

Our results

Transistor with La₂O₃ gate insulator



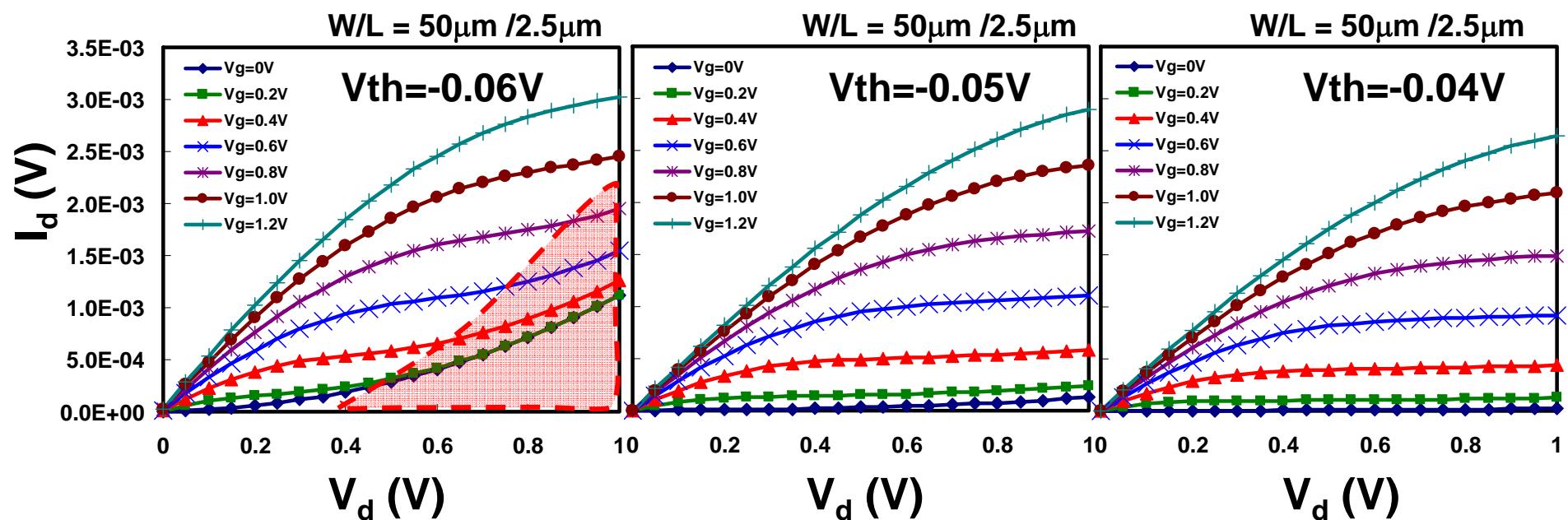
EOT=0.37nm

La2O₃

EOT=0.37nm

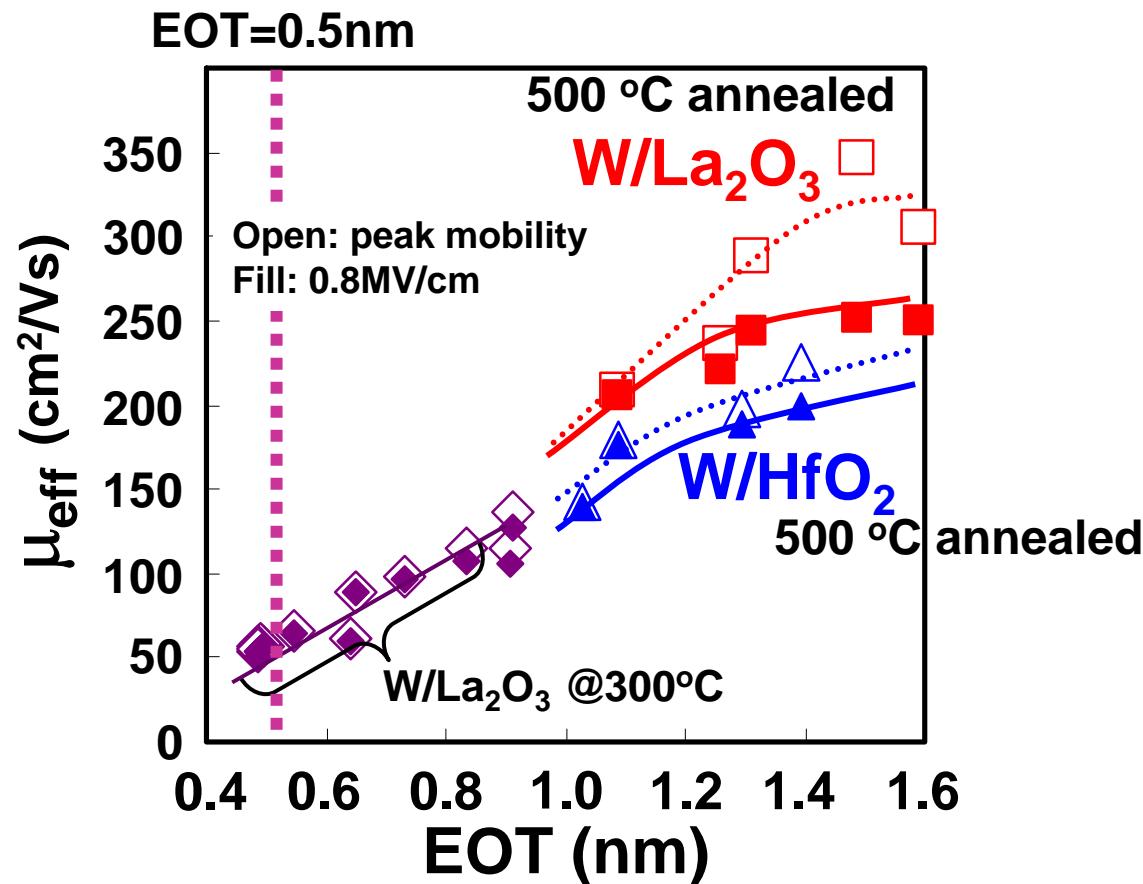
EOT=0.40nm

EOT=0.48nm



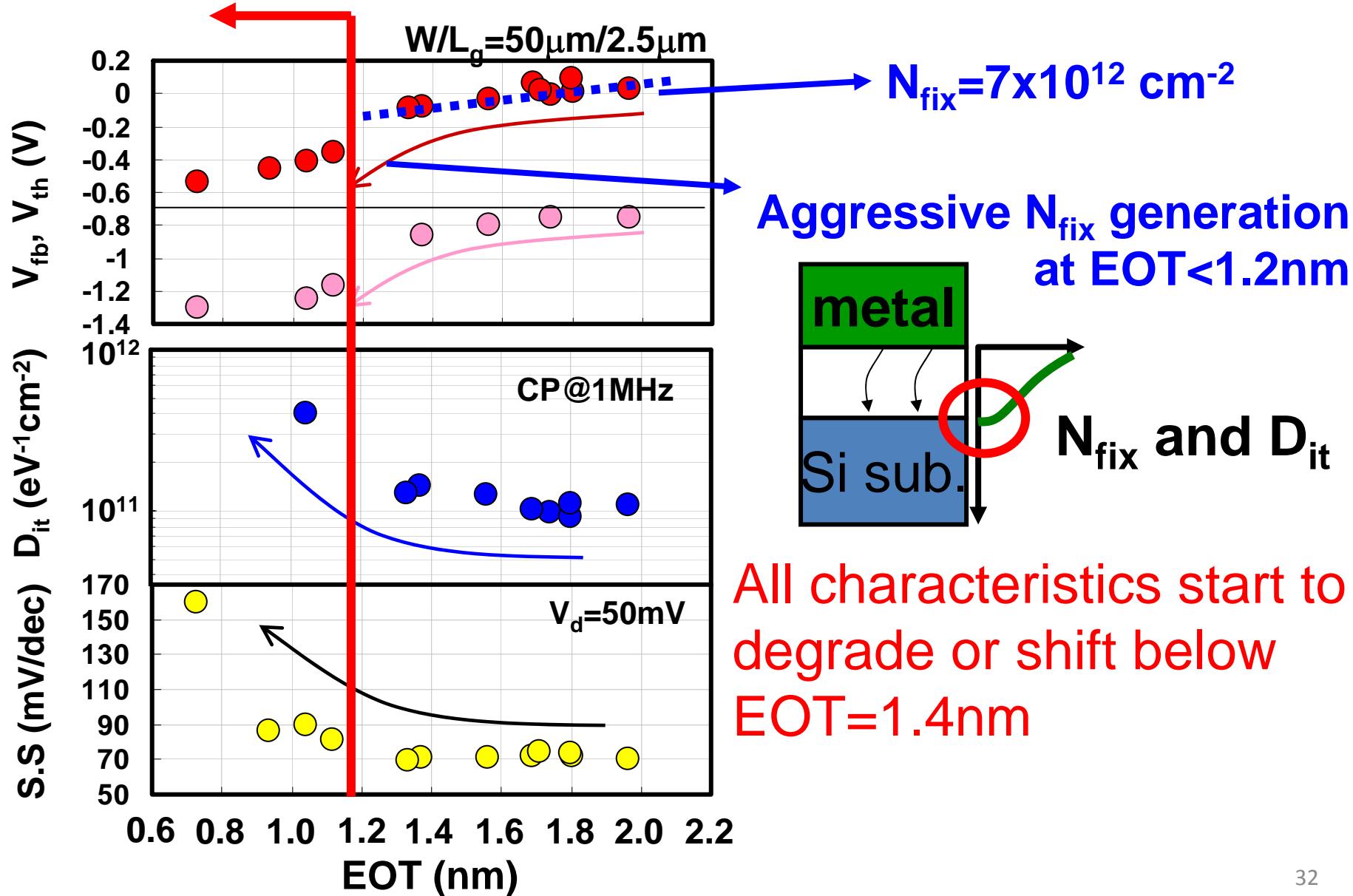
0.48 → 0.37nm Increase of I_d at 30%

μ_{eff} of W/La₂O₃ and W/HfO₂ nFET on EOT



- W/La₂O₃ exhibits higher μ_{eff} than W/HfO₂
- μ_{eff} start degrades below EOT=1.4nm

FET characteristics of W/La₂O₃ on EOT



Gate Metal Induced Defects Compensation

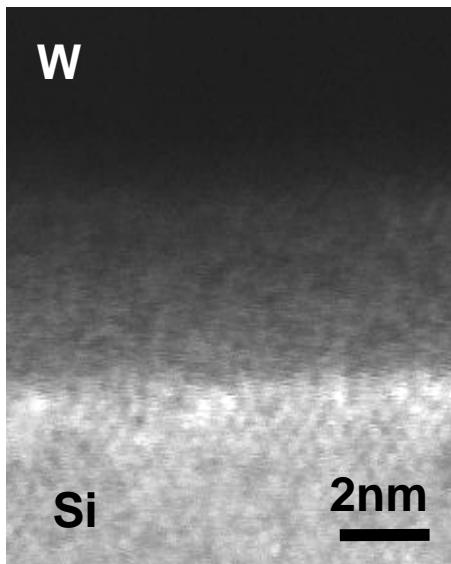


Metal Gate

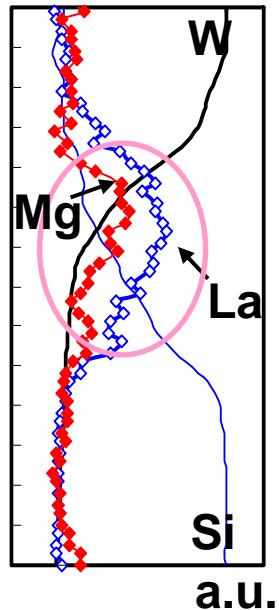
MgO

La₂O₃

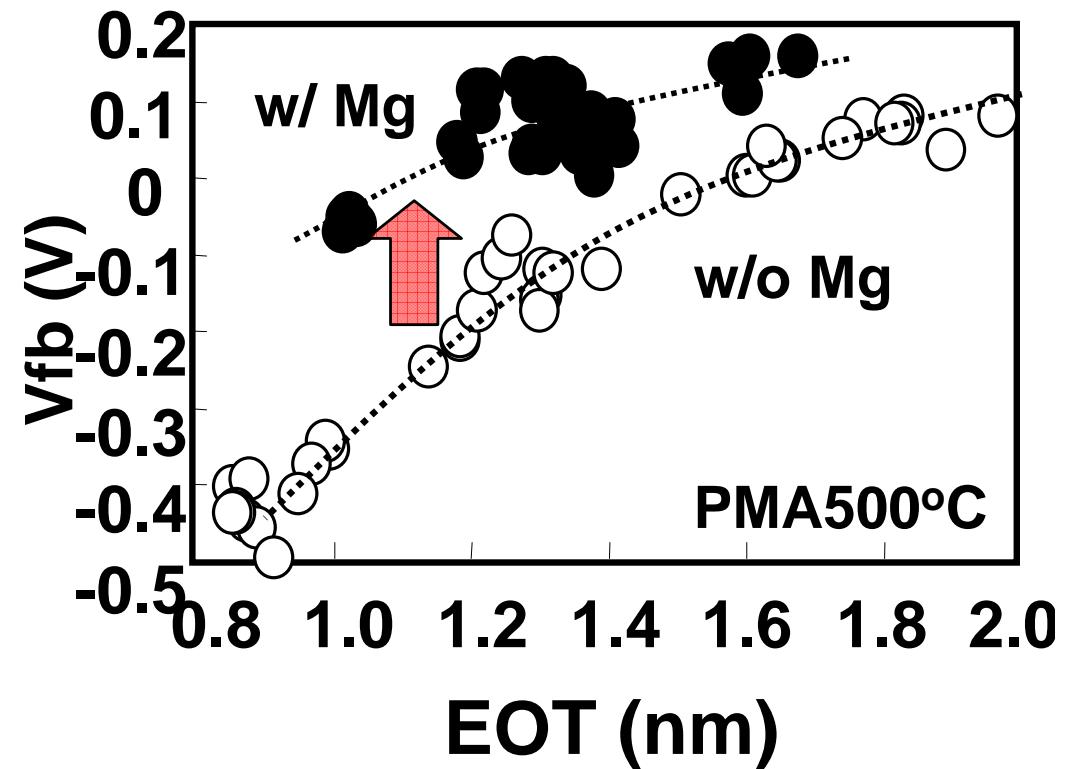
Si



TEM

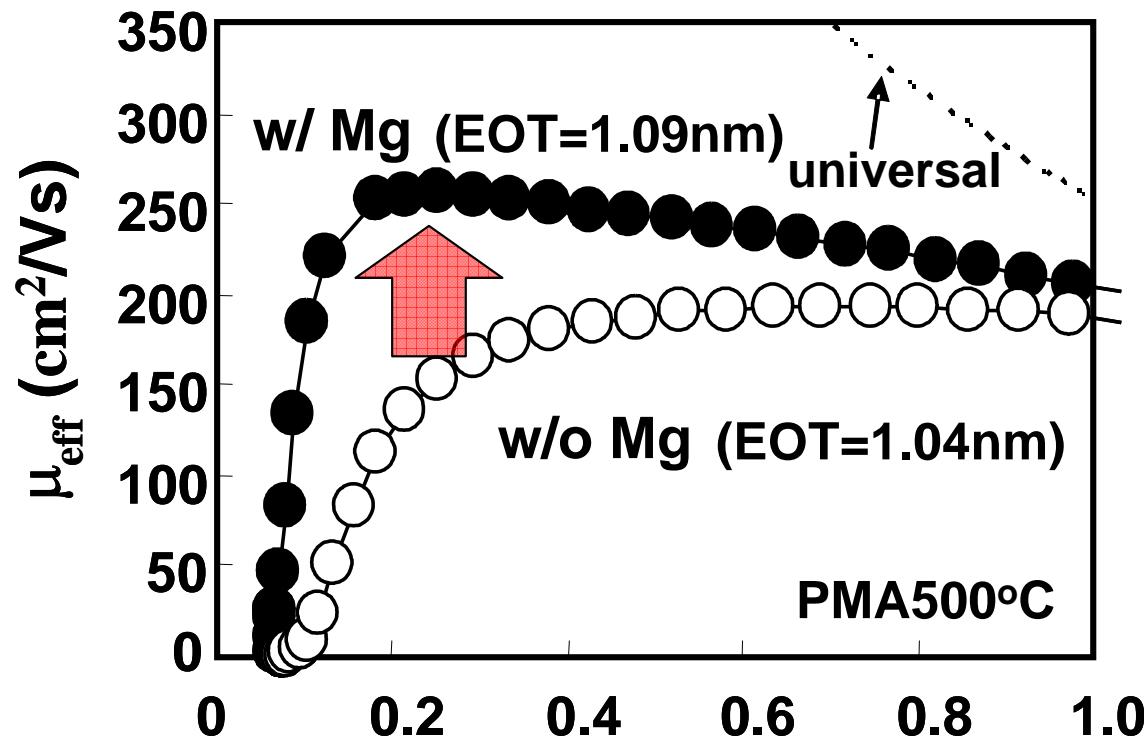


EDX



Suppression of aggressive shift in V_{fb}

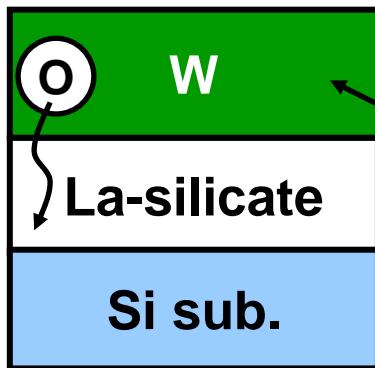
Mobility Improvement with Mg Incorporation



Recovery of μ_{eff} mainly at low E_{eff}

Problems for scaled EOT with La_2O_3

(1)



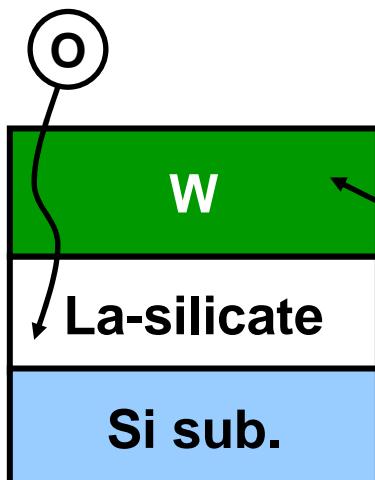
W electrode supplies oxygen to La_2O_3

Excess oxygen



Excess silicate formation
(EOT increase)

(2)



W is high oxygen diffusivity metal

Deficient oxygen

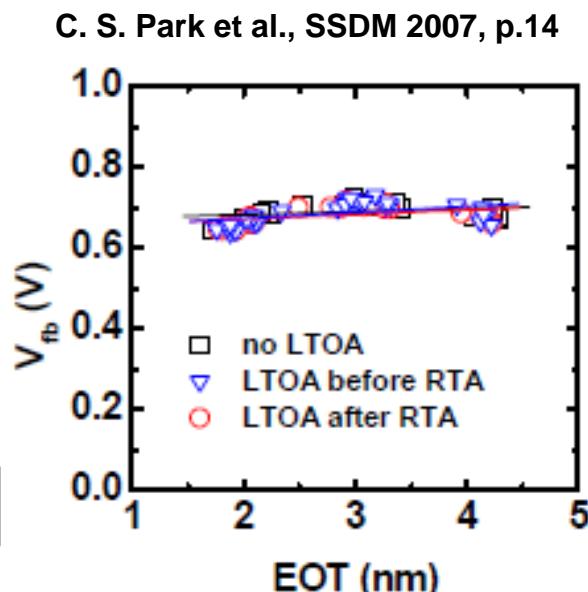
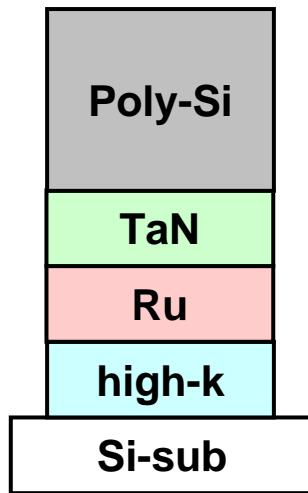


Oxygen vacancy
(reduced mobility,
gate leakage)

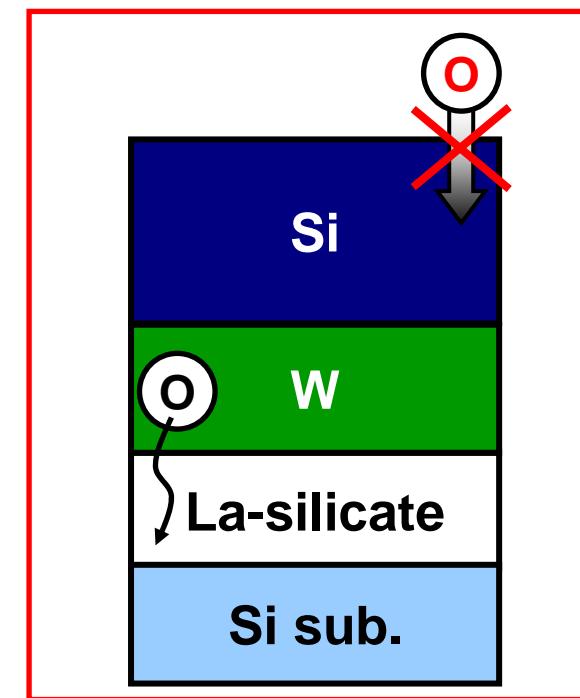
Control of oxygen

Strategy & Concept

Oxygen trigger the silicate reaction

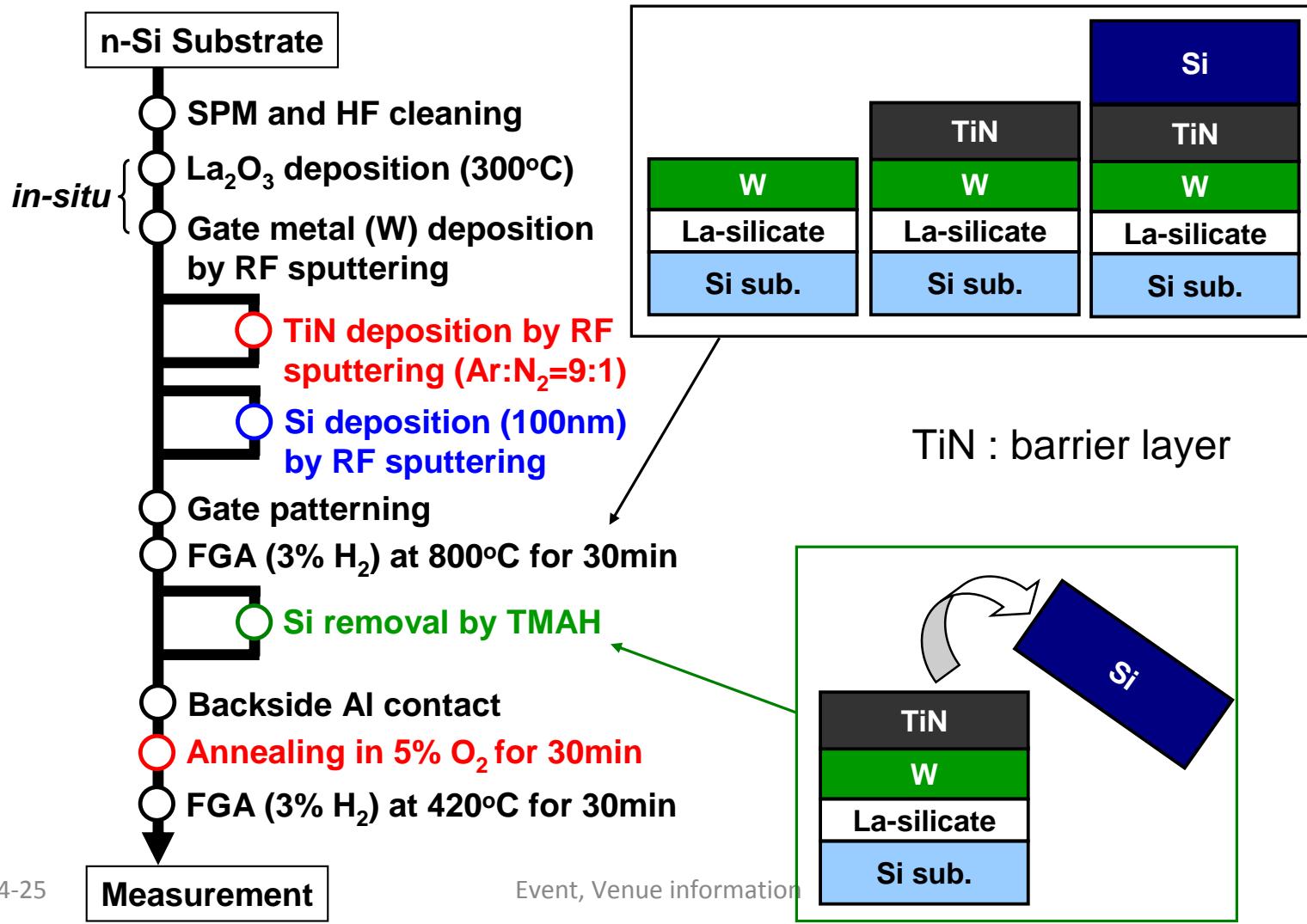


Poly-Si prevent the oxygen diffusion

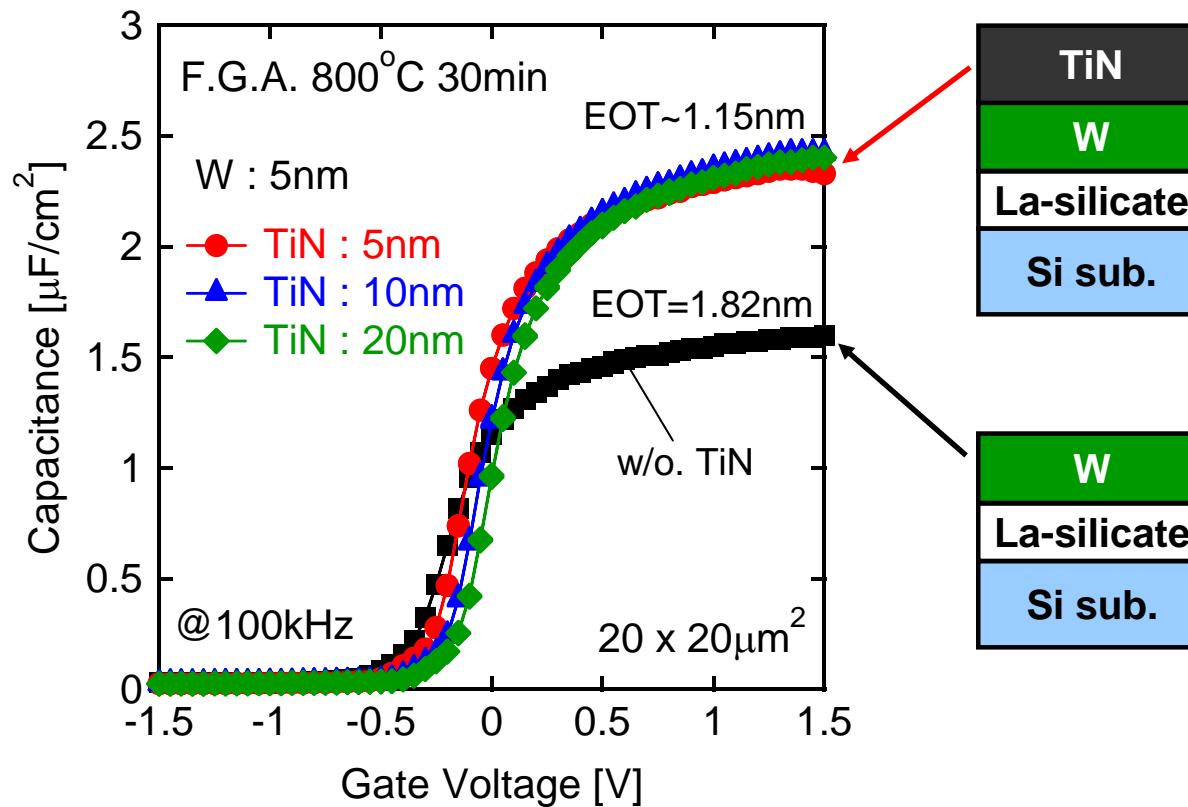


Oxygen in W metal is consuming during annealing process

Experimental procedure



C-V characteristics ~TiN/W~

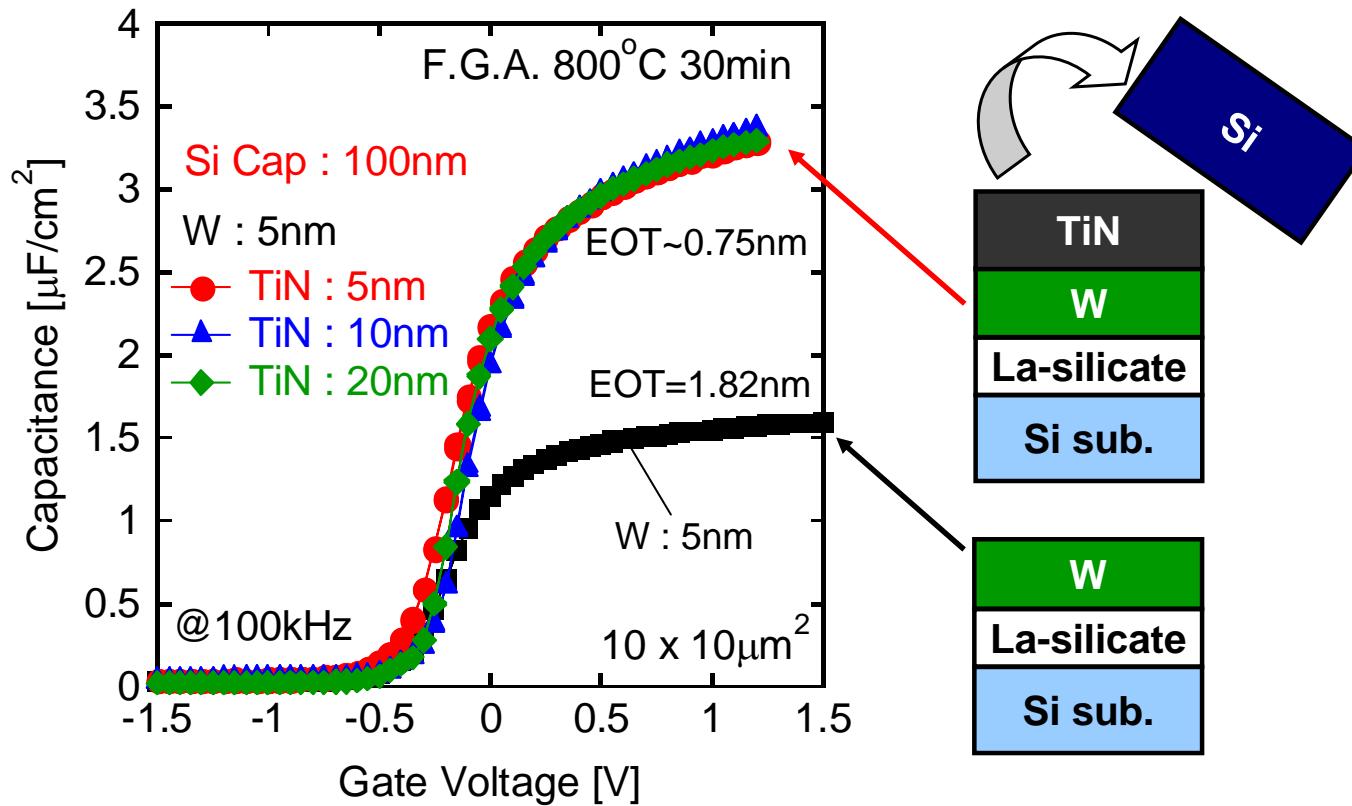


TiN layer is effective to suppress the increase in EOT



Barrier layer or Oxygen getter

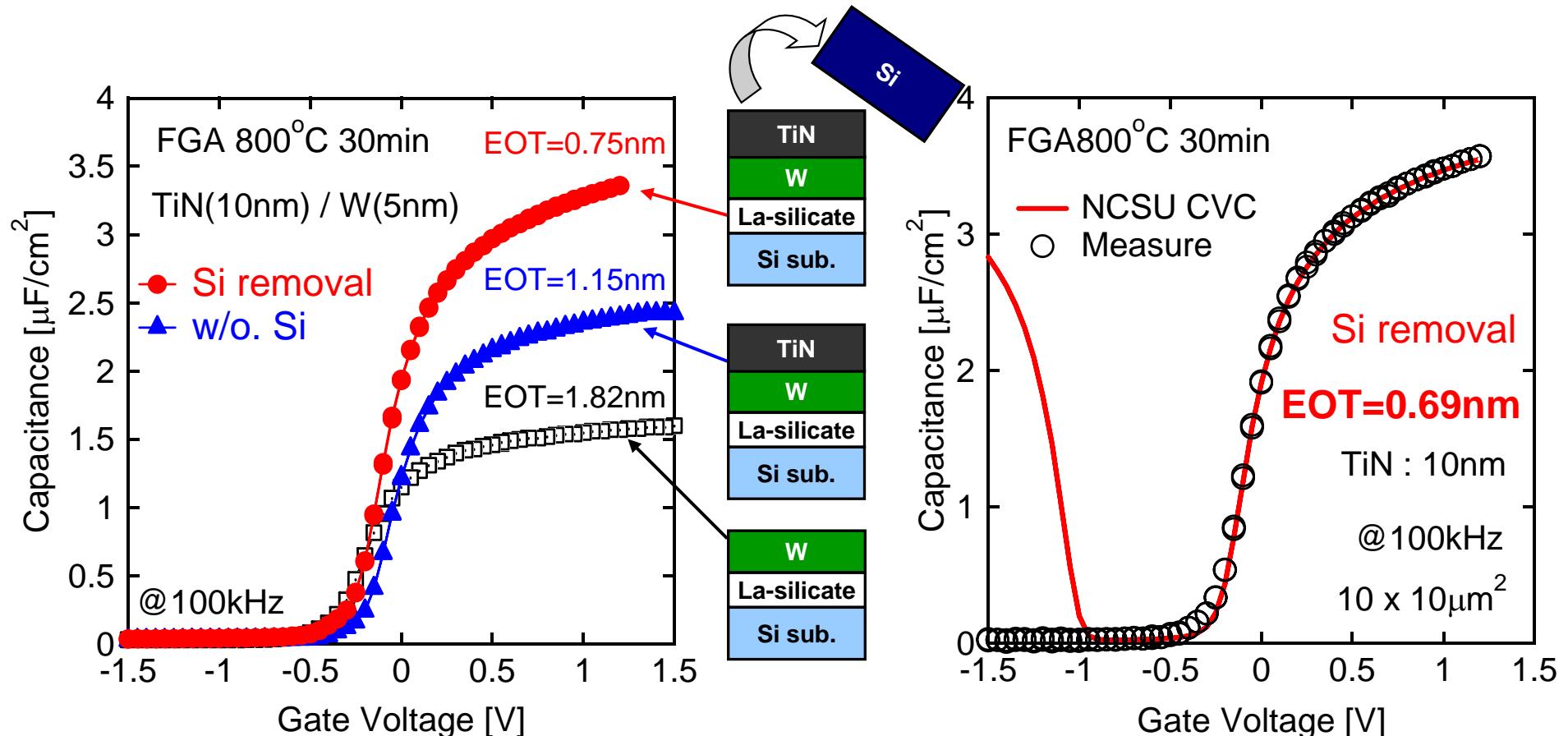
C-V characteristics ~MIPS~



EOT increase is dramatically suppressed with MIPS

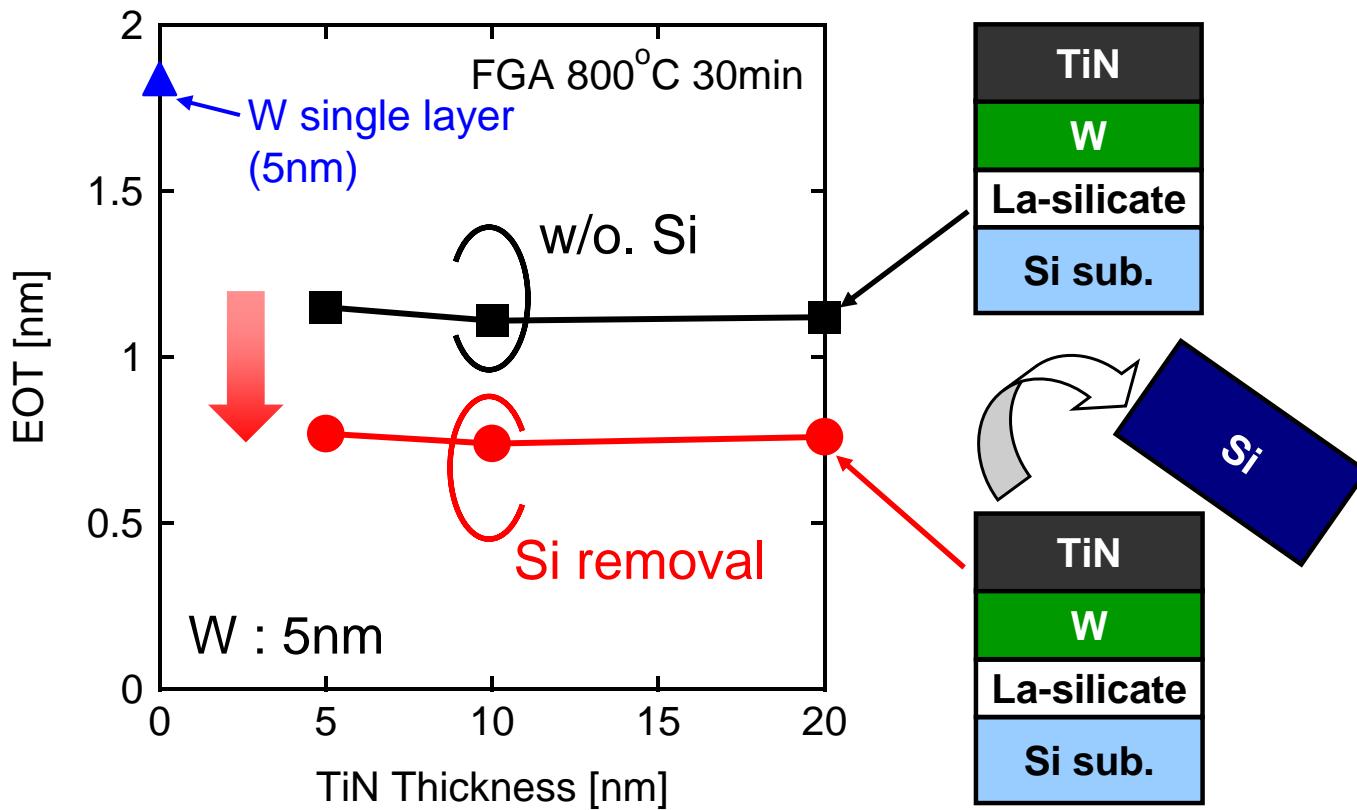
V_{FB} is almost identical
Event, Venue information

Comparison of C-V characteristics



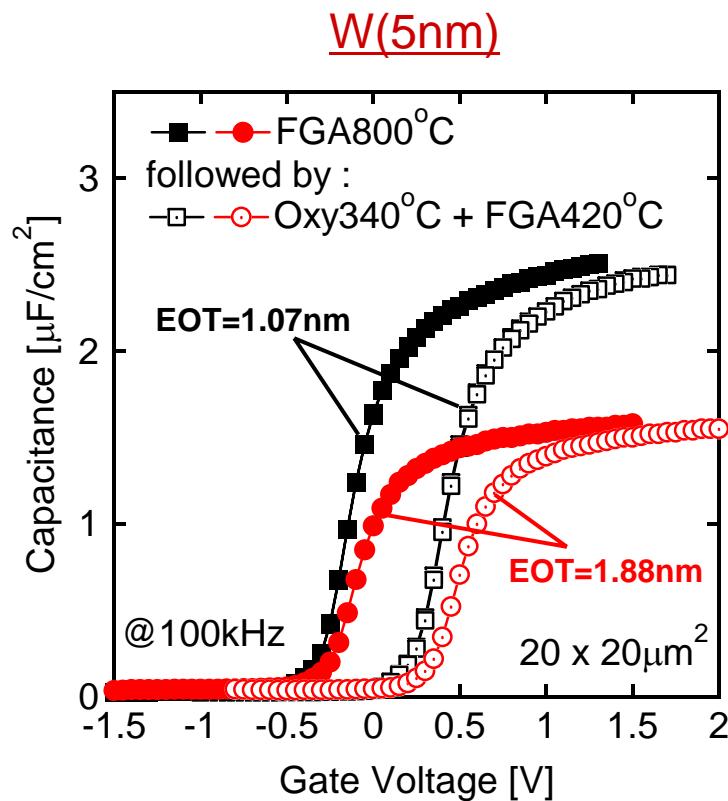
EOT of 0.69nm can be attained with a combination of MIPS structure and FGA 800 °C 30min

Effect of gate metal structure on EOT

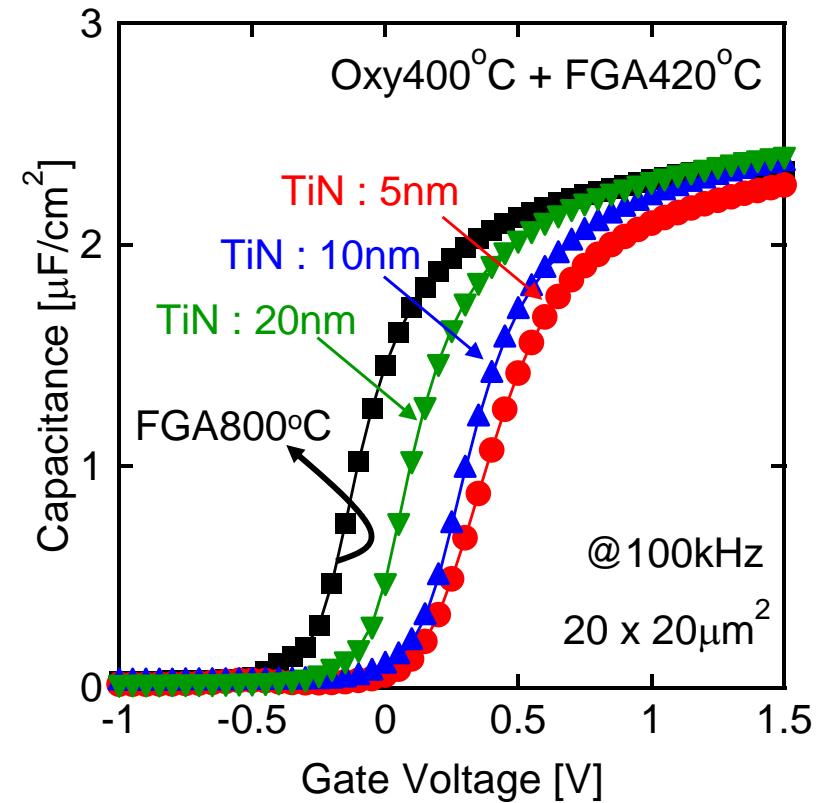


Si Cap layer can prevent the excess oxygen incorporation from atmospheric

Oxygen incorporation through TiN/W

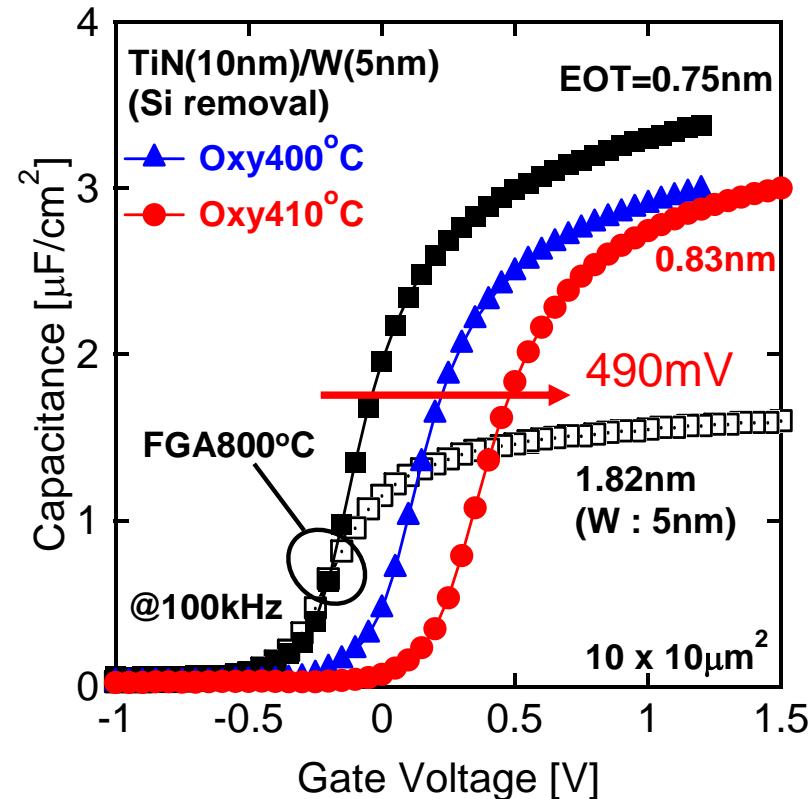


T. Kawanago, et al.,
ESSDERC2010

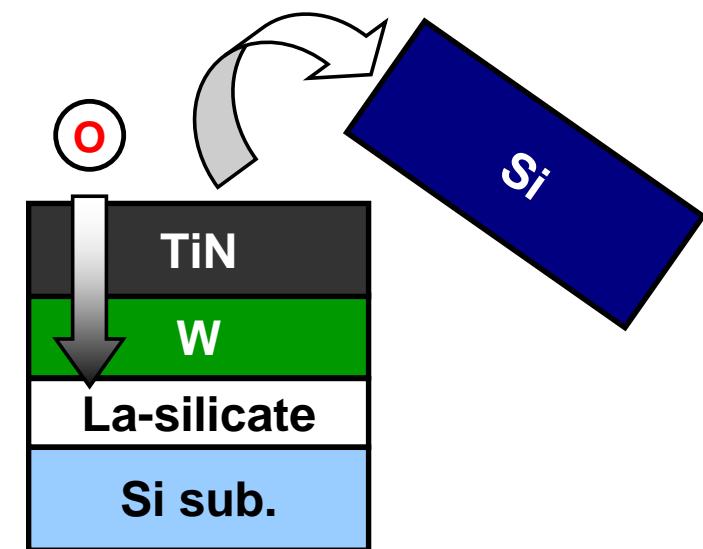


Positive V_{FB} shift increase with decreasing the TiN thickness

Oxygen incorporation after Si removal



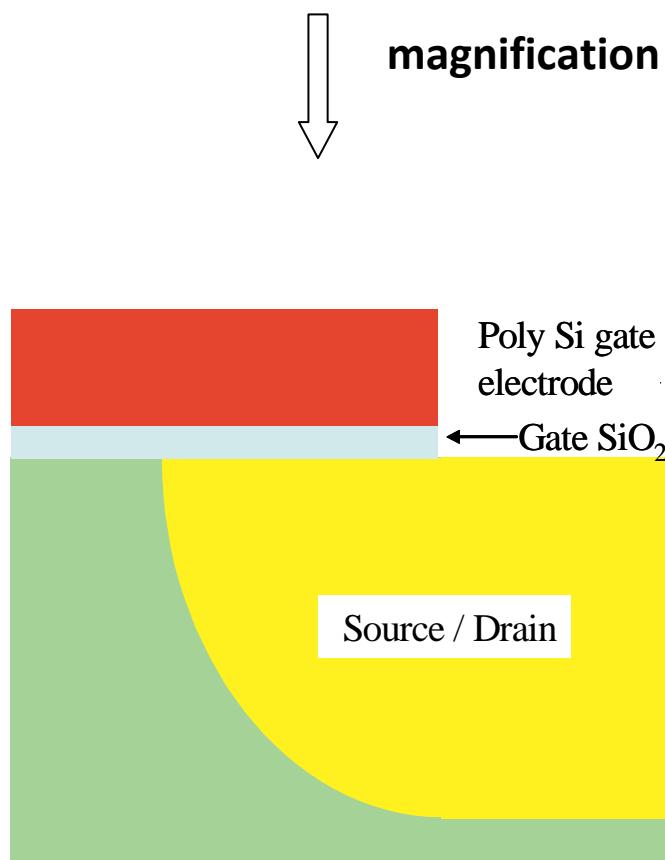
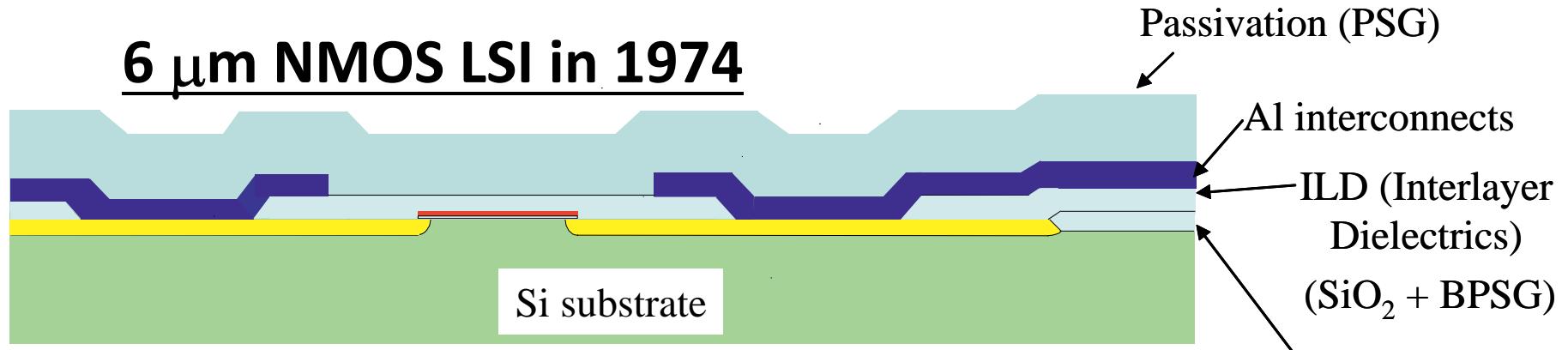
After Si removal



Positive V_{FB} shift by 490mV can be observed

EOT degradation is less than 1 Å

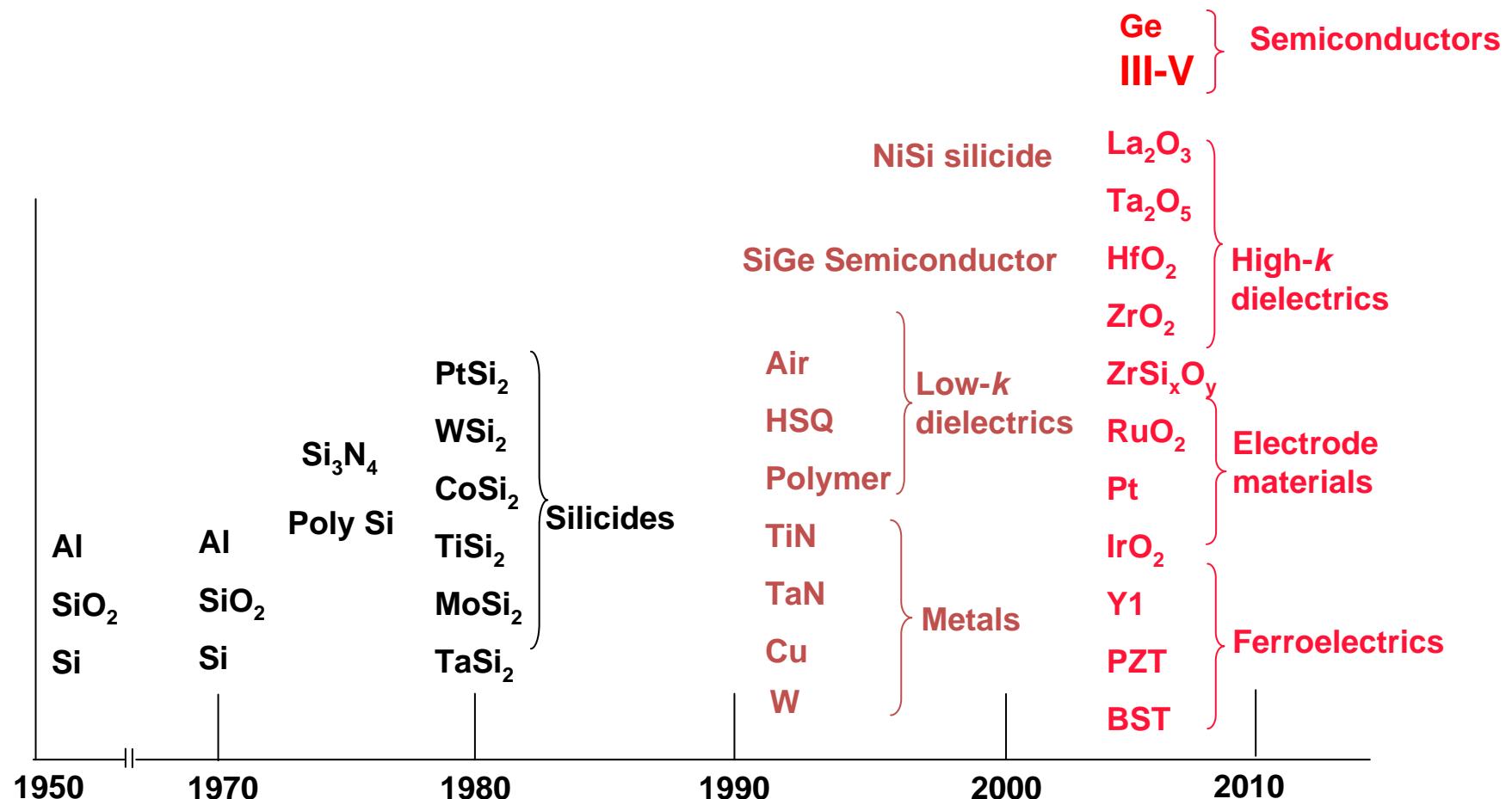
6 μm NMOS LSI in 1974



Layers	Materials	Atoms
1. Si substrate	1. Si	1. Si
2. Field oxide	2. SiO ₂	2. O
3. Gate oxide	3. BPSG	3. P
4. Poly Si	4. Al	4. B
5. S/D	5. PSG	5. Al
6. Interlayer		(H, N, Cl)
7. Aluminum		
8. Passivation		

Just examples!
Many other candidates

New materials



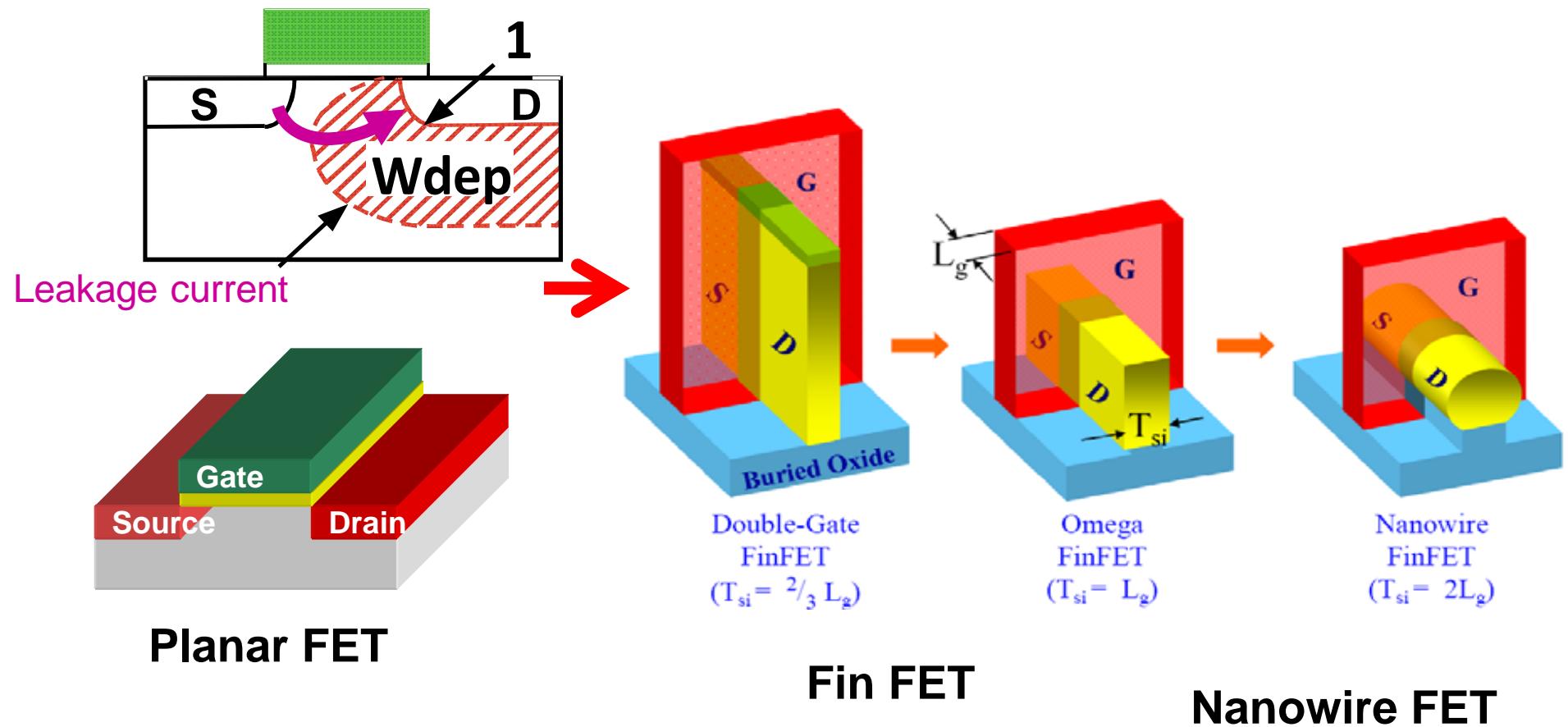
Y. Nishi, Si Nano Workshop, 2006,

(S. Sze, Based on invited talk at Stanford Univ., Aug. 1999)

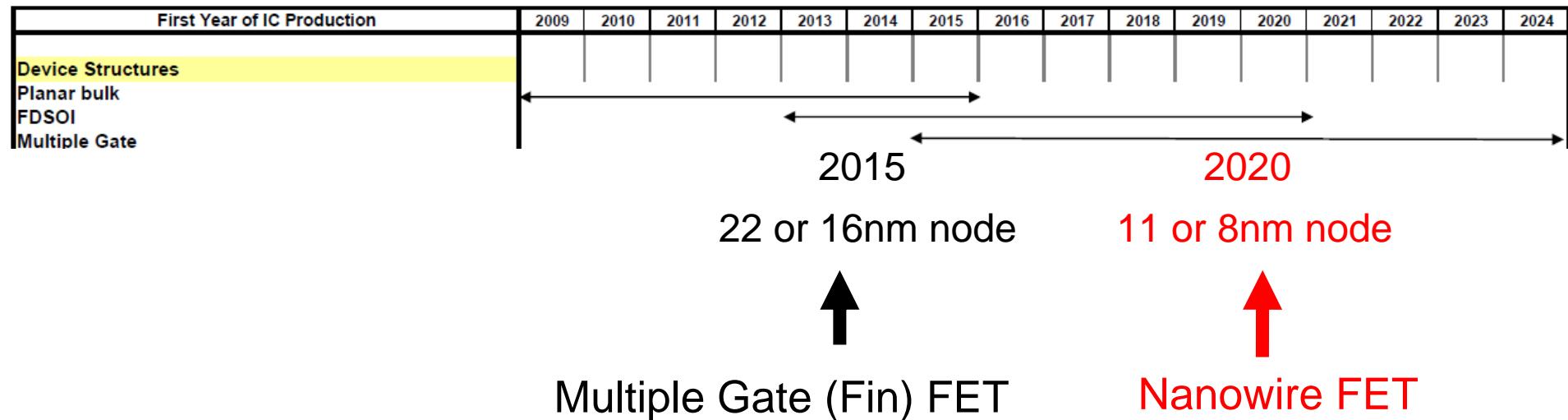
Si nanowire FET

Because of off-leakage control,

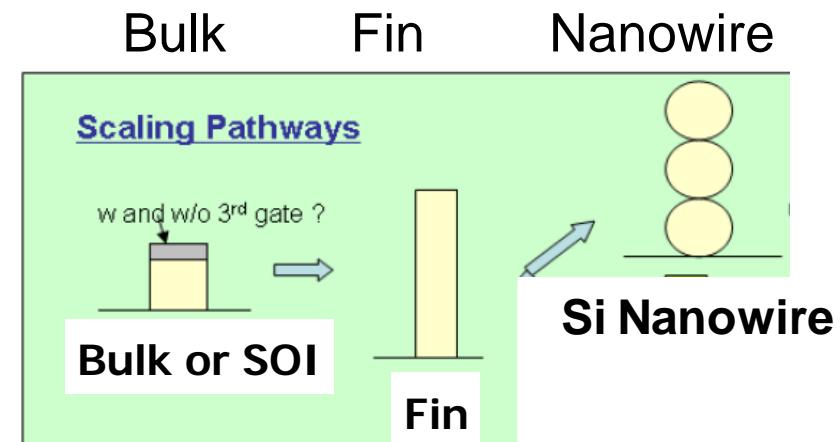
Planar → Fin → Nanowire



Nanowire FET



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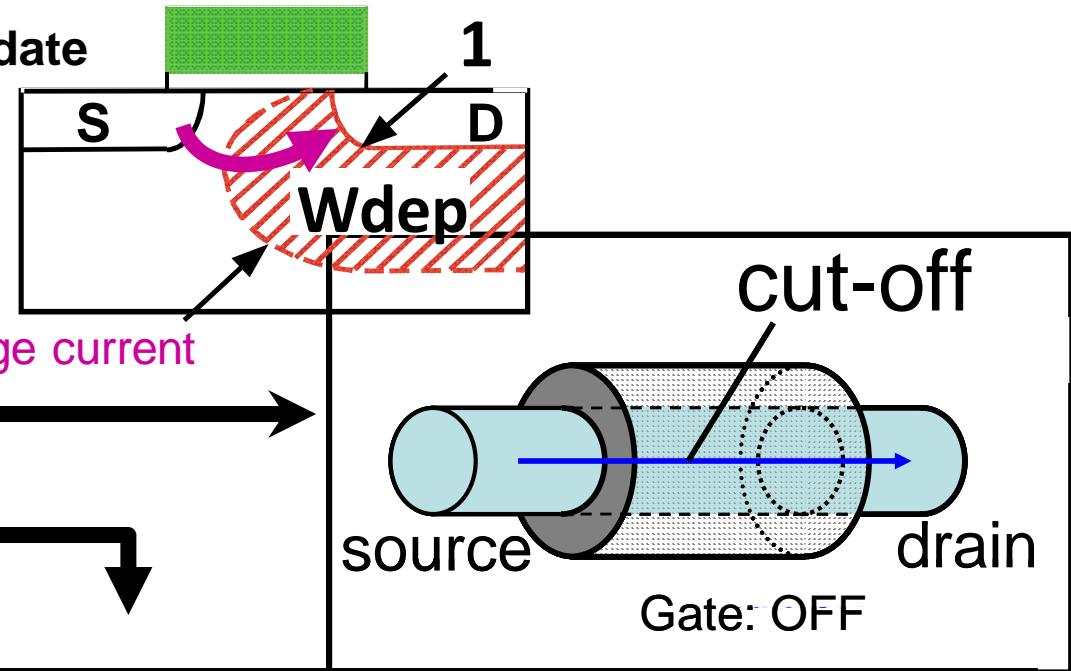


Si nanowire FET as a strong candidate

1. Compatibility with current CMOS process

2. Good controllability of I_{OFF}

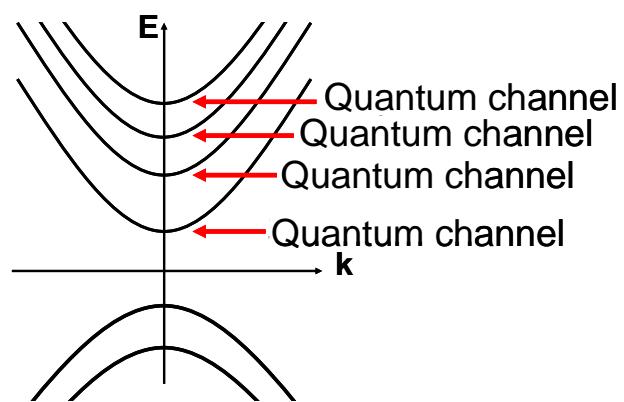
3. High drive current



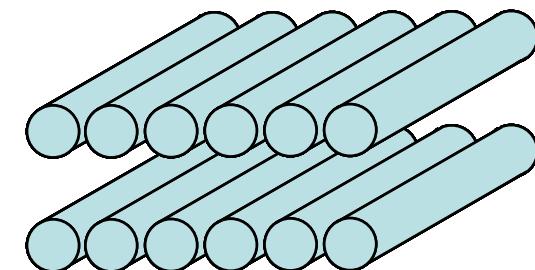
1D ballistic conduction

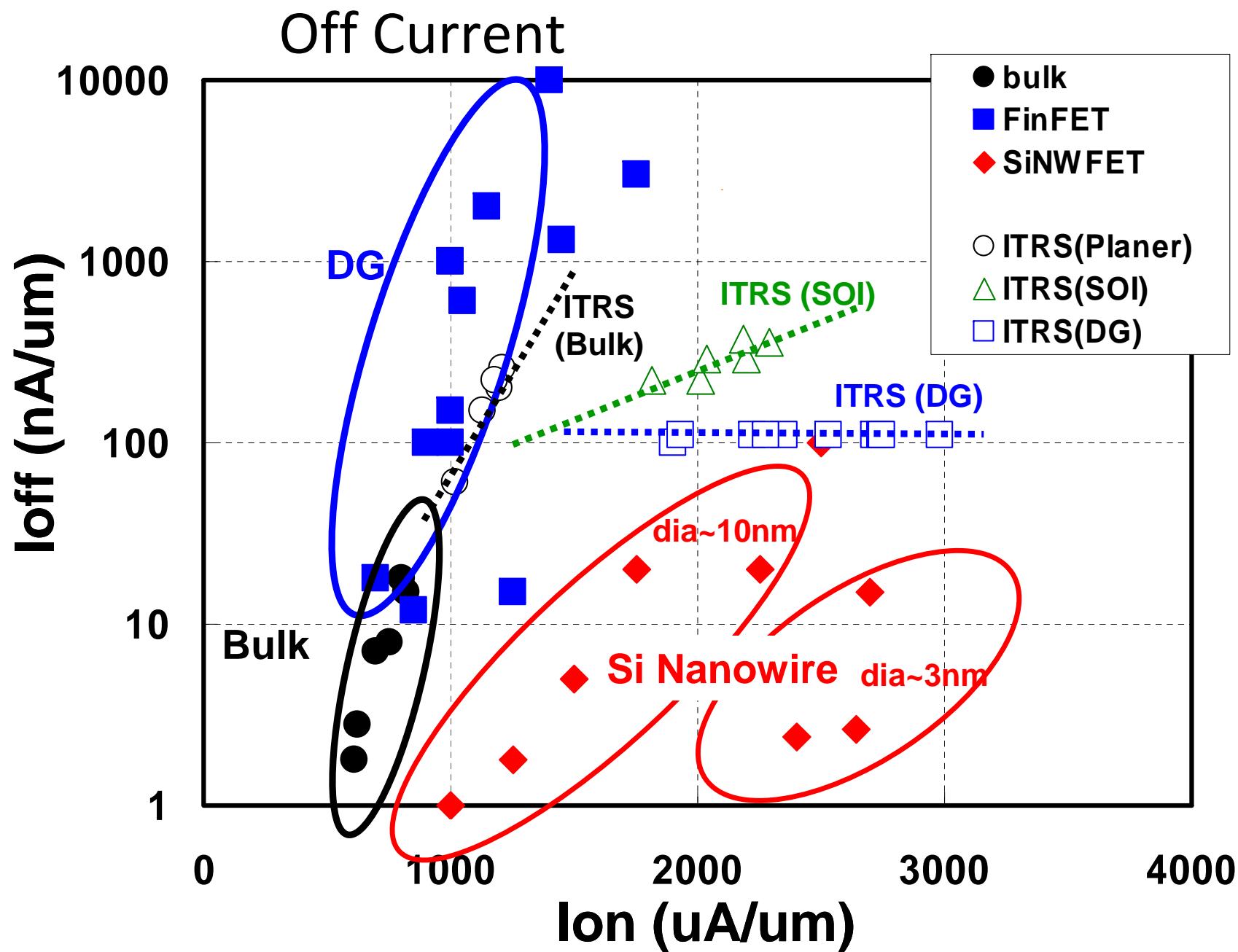


Multi quantum Channel



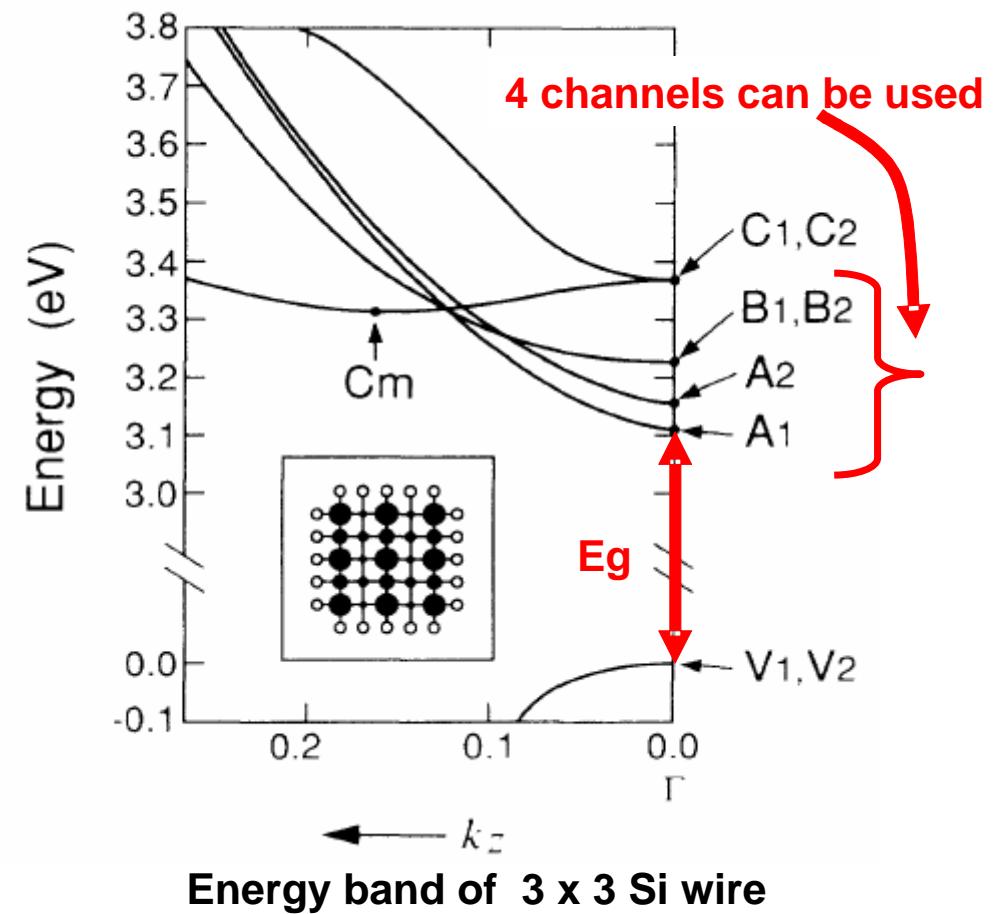
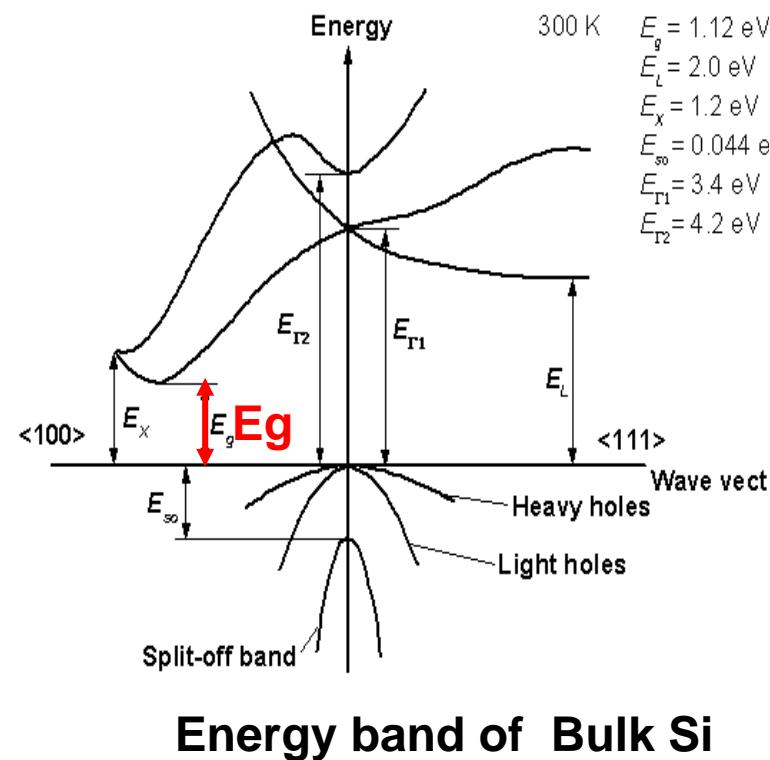
High integration of wires





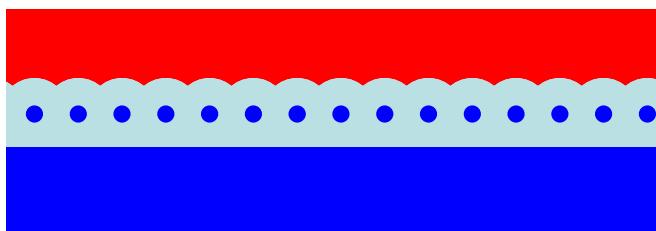
Increase the Number of quantum channels

By Prof. Shiraishi of Tsukuba univ.

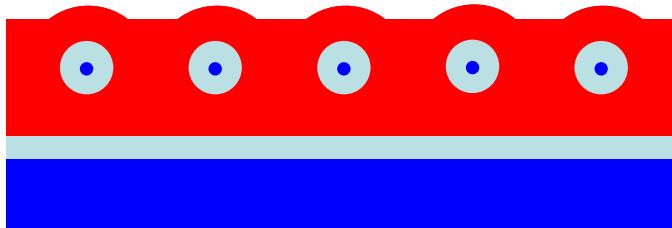


Maximum number of wires per 1 μm

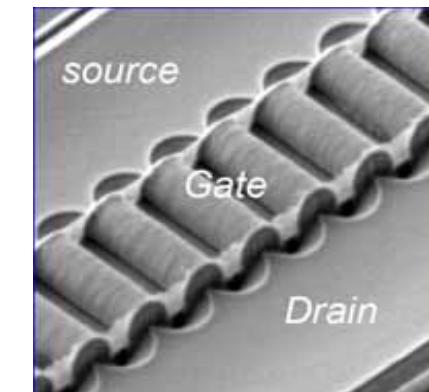
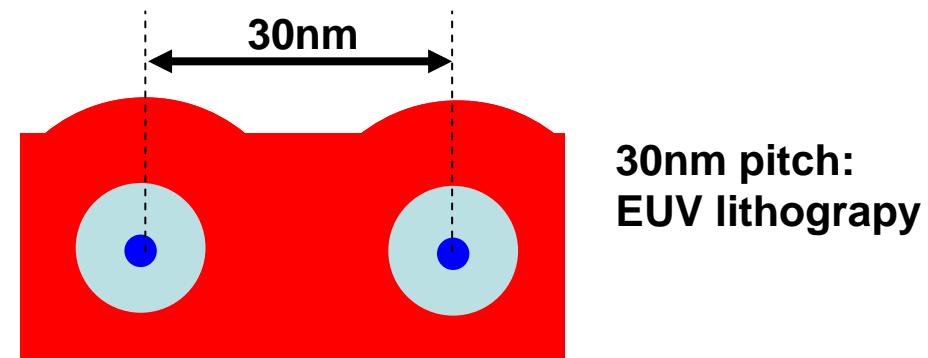
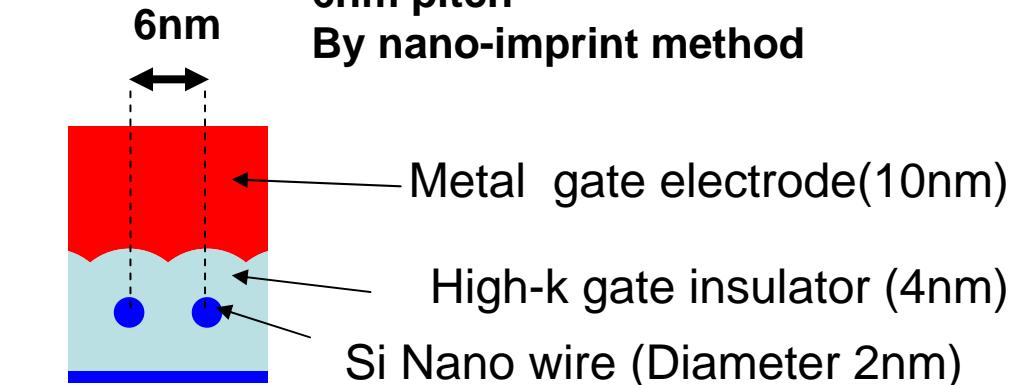
Front gate type MOS 165 wires / μm



Surrounded gate type MOS 33 wires/ μm

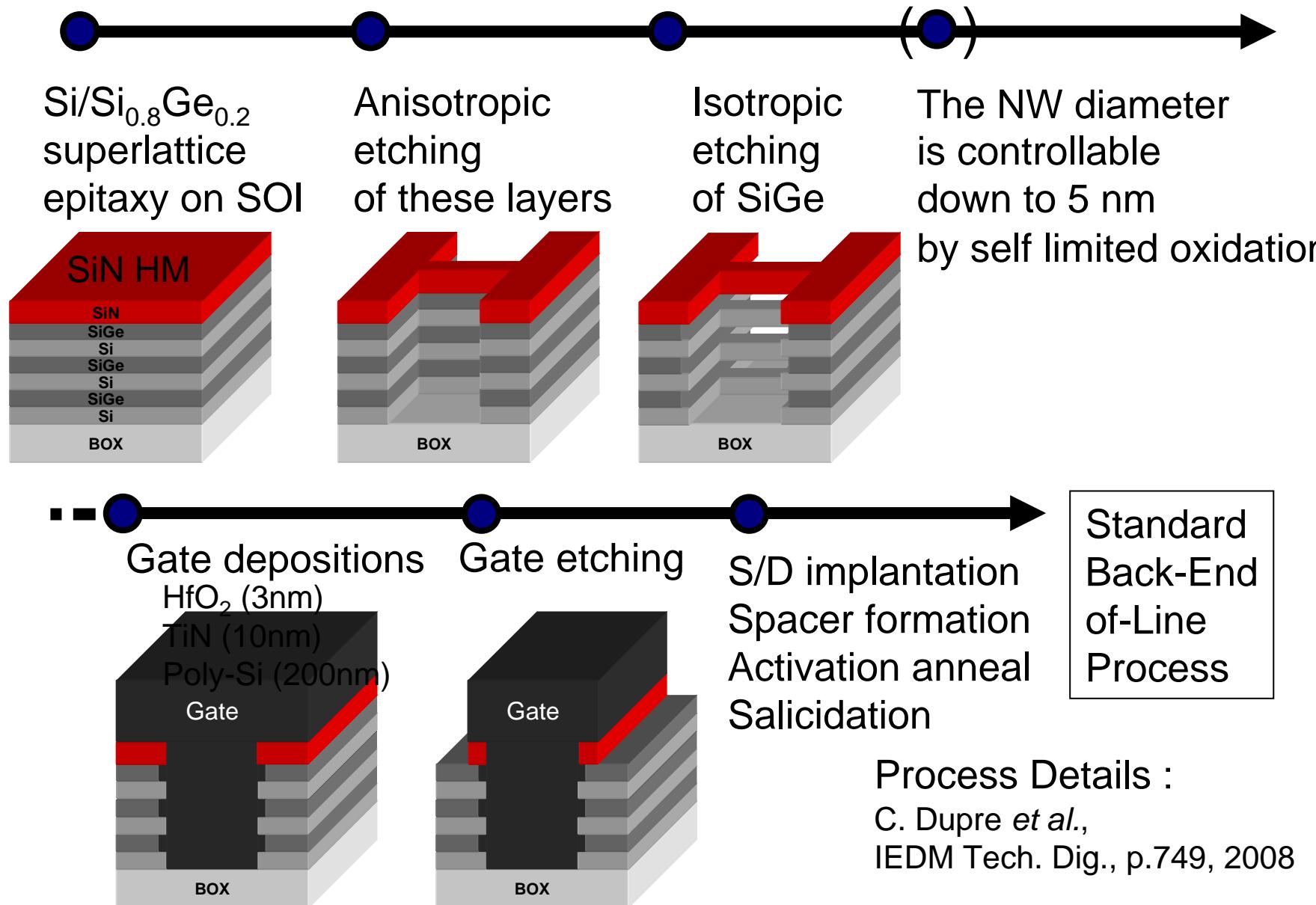


6nm pitch
By nano-imprint method

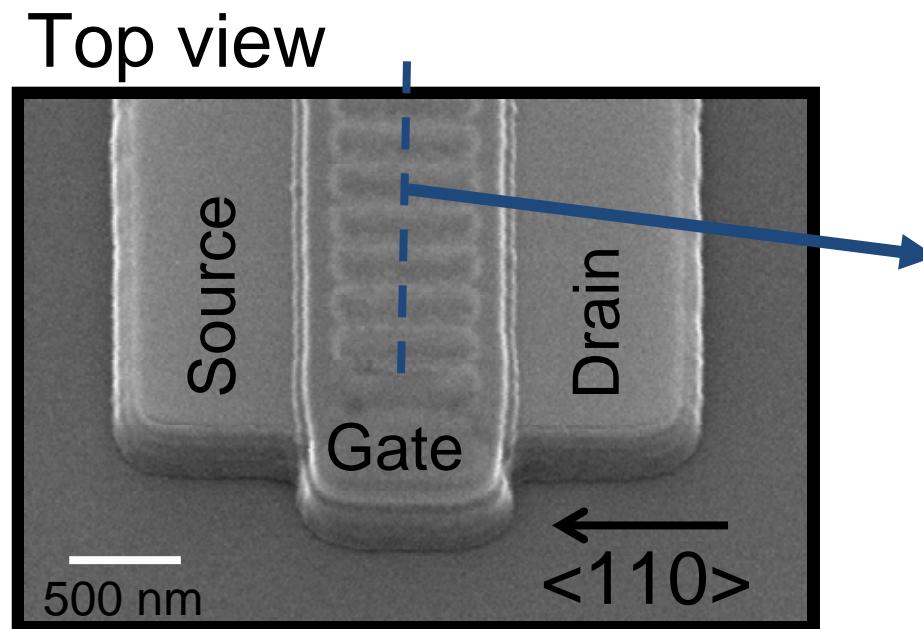


Surrounded gate MOS

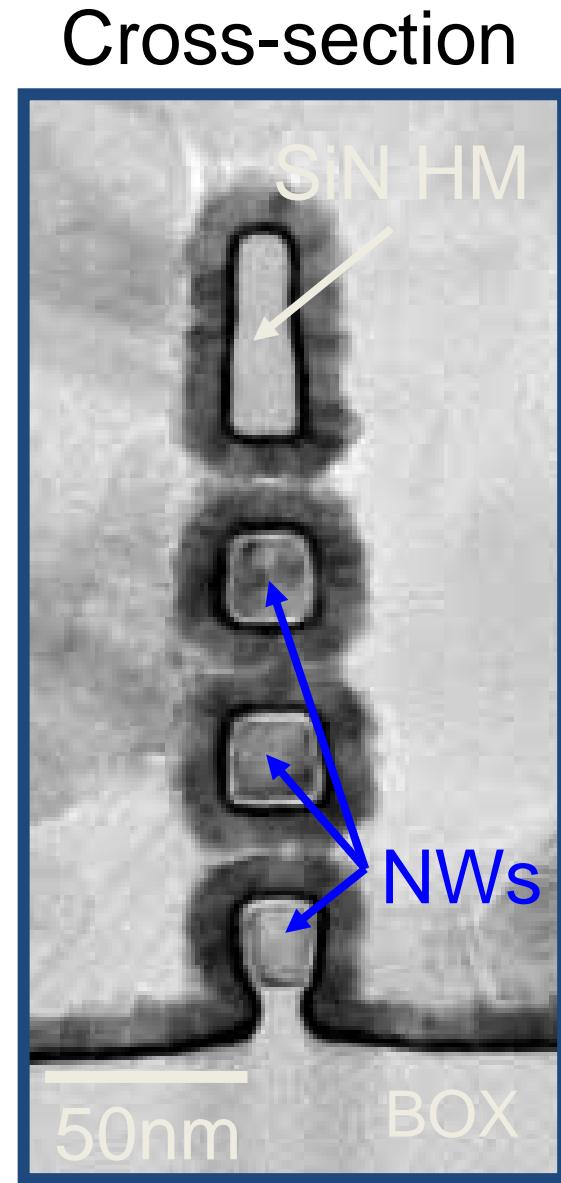
Device fabrication



3D-stacked Si NWs with Hi-*k*/MG



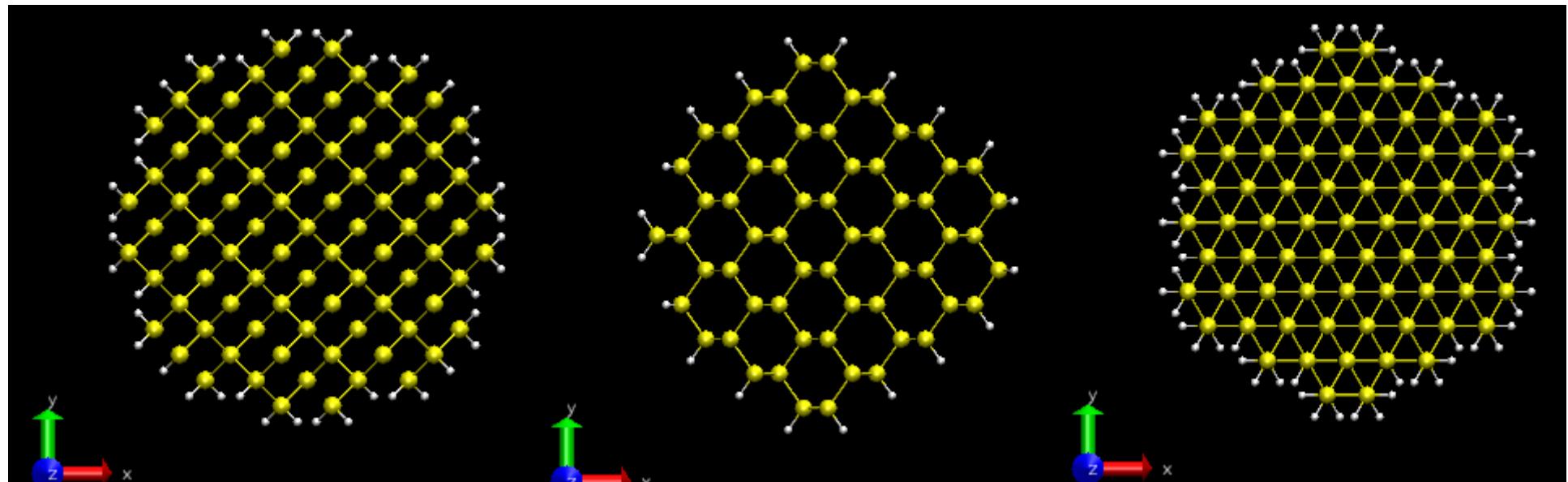
Wire direction : <110>
50 NWs in parallel
3 levels vertically-stacked
Total array of 150 wires
EOT ~2.6 nm



SiNW Band structure calculation

Cross section of Si NW

First principal calculation,



D=1.96nm

[001]

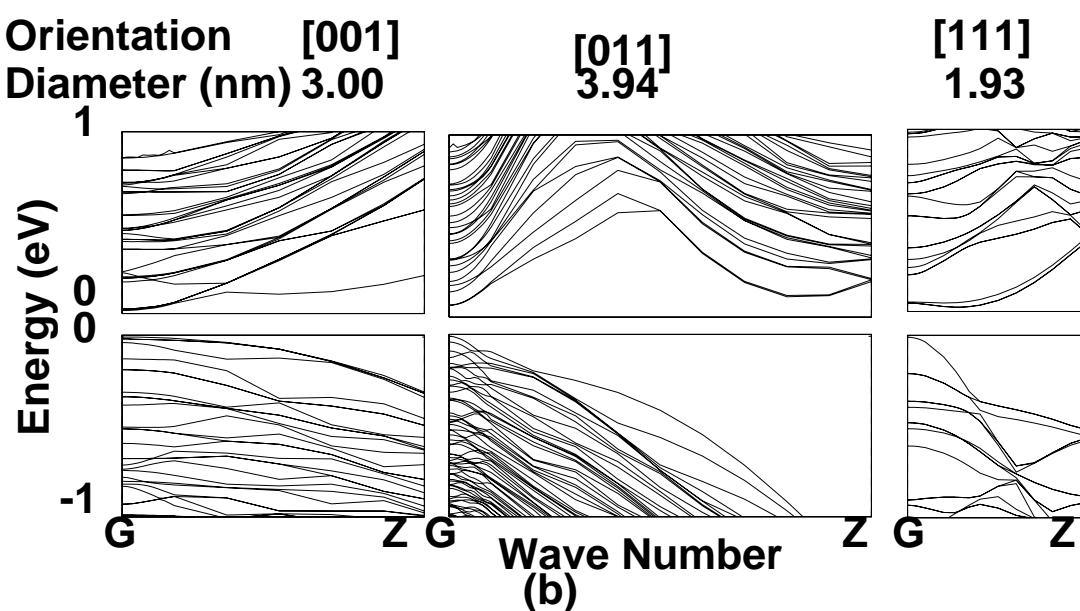
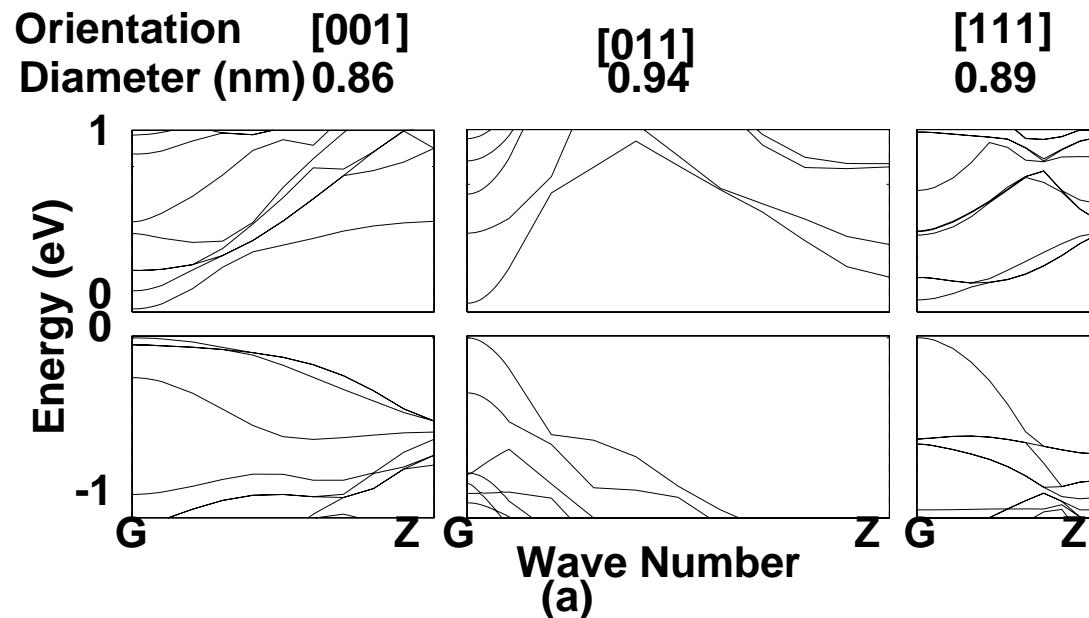
D=1.94nm

[011]

D=1.93nm

[111]

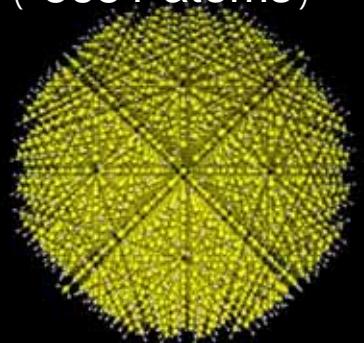
Si nanowire FET with 1D Transport



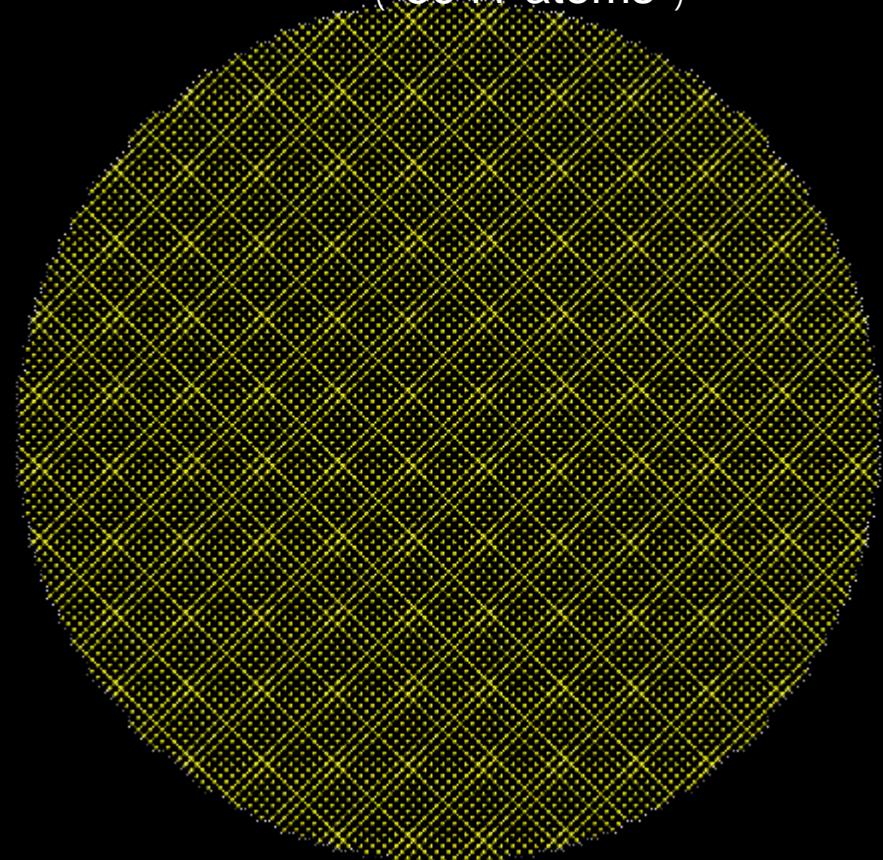
Small mass with [011]
Large number of quantum channels with [001]

Atomic models of a Si quantum dot and Si nanowires

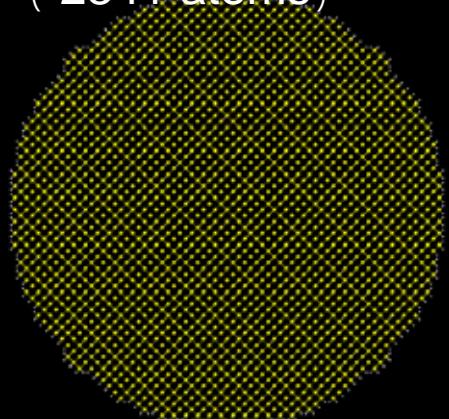
6.6 nm diameter SiQD
(8651 atoms)



20 nm diameter Si(100)NW
(8941 atoms)



10 nm diameter Si(100)NW
(2341 atoms)



RSDFT – suitable for parallel first-principles calculation -

- ✓ Real-Space Finite-Difference Higher-order finite difference pseudopotential method
- ✓ Sparse Matrix J. R. Chelikowsky et al., Phys. Rev. B, (1994)
- ✓ FFT free (FFT is inevitable in the conventional plane-wave code)
- ✓ MPI (Message Passing Interface) library 3D grid is divided by several regions for parallel computation.

Kohn-Sham eq. (finite-difference)

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + v_s[\rho](\mathbf{r}) + \hat{v}_{nloc}^{PP}(\mathbf{r}) \right) \phi_n(\mathbf{r}) = \epsilon_n \phi_n(\mathbf{r})$$

Higher-order finite difference

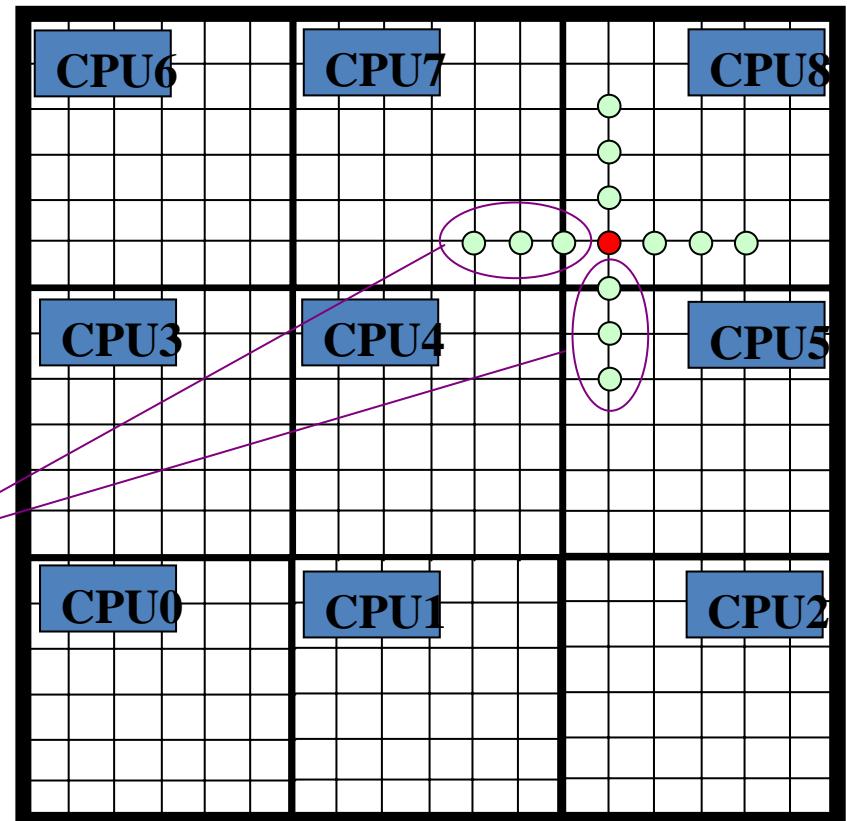
$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \psi_n(x, y, z) \approx \sum_{m=-6}^6 C_m \psi_n(x + m\Delta x, y, z)$$

`MPI_ISEND, MPI_IRECV`

Integration

$$\int \psi_m(\mathbf{r}) \psi_n(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} \approx \sum_{i=1}^{Mesh} \psi_m(\mathbf{r}_i) \psi_n(\mathbf{r}_i) \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z$$

`MPI_ALLREDUCE`



Massively Parallel Computing

with our recently developed code “RSDFT”

Iwata et al, J. Comp. Phys., to be published

Real-Space Density-Functional Theory code (RSDFT)

Based on the finite-difference pseudopotential method (J. R. Chelikowsky et al., PRB1994)

Highly tuned for massively parallel computers

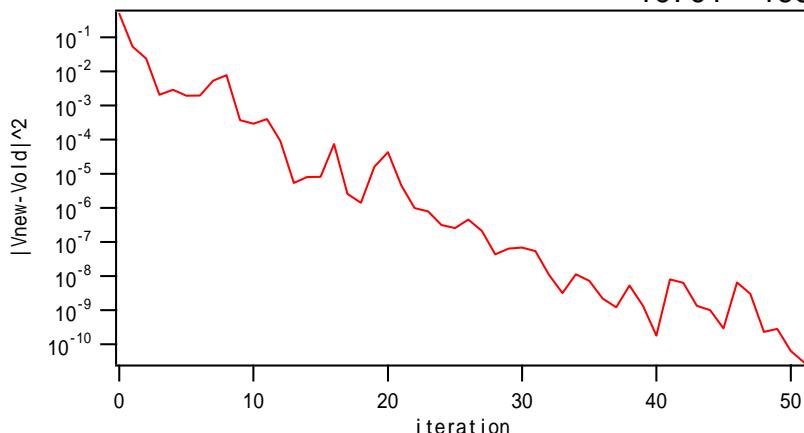
Computations are done on a massively-parallel cluster **PACS-CS** at University of Tsukuba.

(Theoretical Peak Performance = 5.6GFLOPS/node)



e.g.) The system over 10,000 atoms $\text{Si}_{10701}\text{H}_{1996}$
(7.6 nm diameter Si dot)

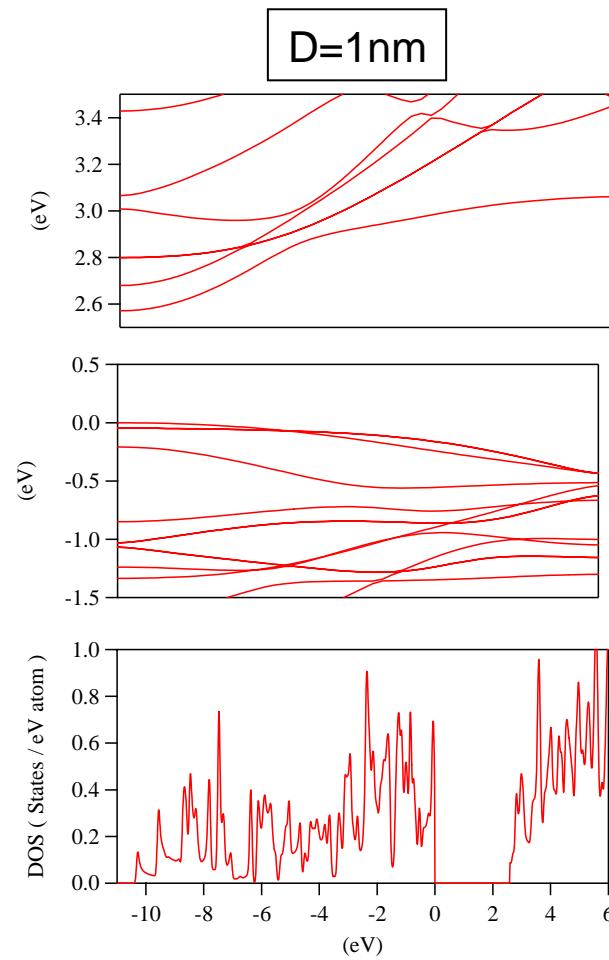
Convergence behavior for $\text{Si}_{10701}\text{H}_{1996}$ Grid points = 3,402,059
Bands = 22,432



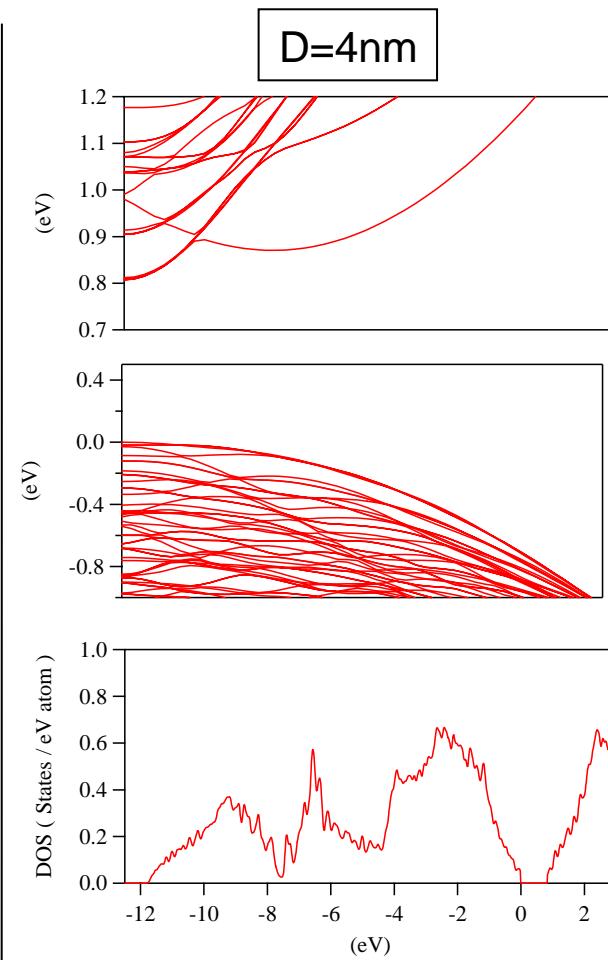
Computational Time (with 1024 nodes of PACS-CS)

6781 sec. \times 60 iteration step = 113 hour

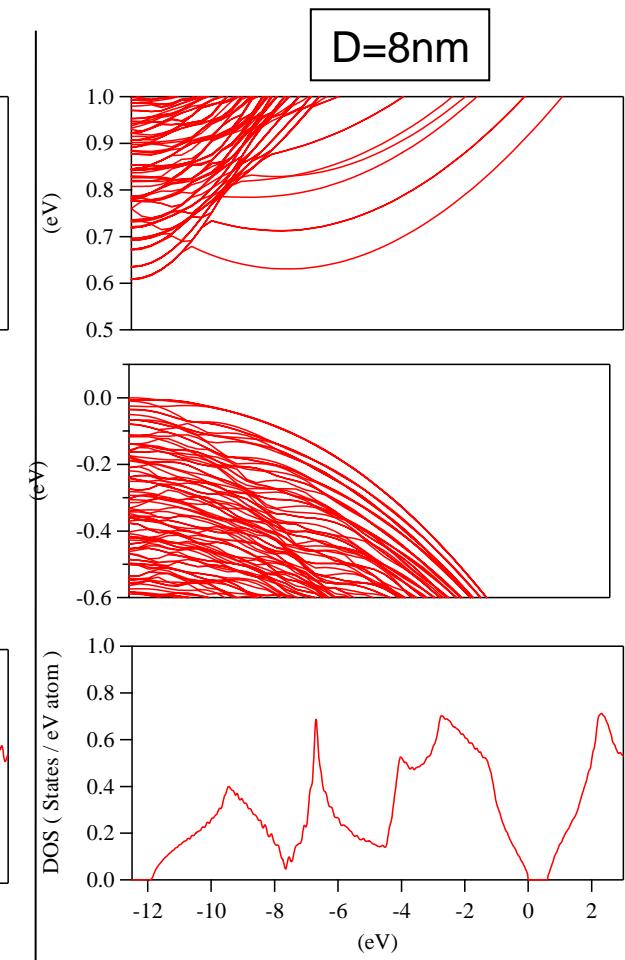
Band Structure and DOS of Si(100)NWs (D=1nm, 4nm, and 8nm)



D=1 nm
 Si₂₁H₂₀(41 atoms)
 KS band gap=2.60eV



D = 4 nm
 Si₃₄₁H₈₄(425 atoms)
 KS band gap = 0.81eV

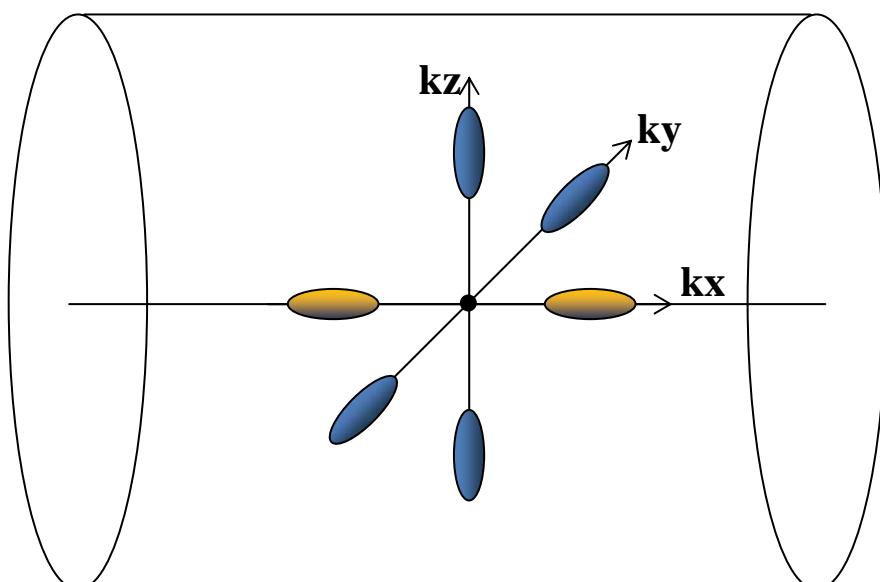
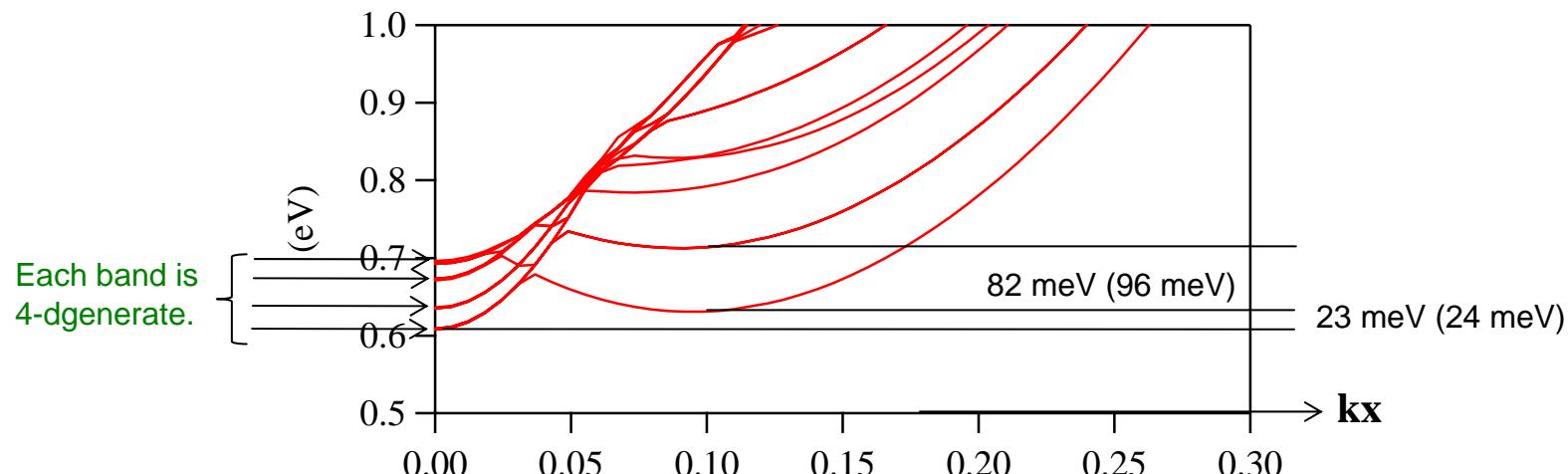


D=8 nm
 Si₁₃₆₁H₁₆₄ (1525 atoms)
 KS band gap=0.61eV

KS band gap of bulk (LDA) = 0.53eV

Band structure of 8-nm-diameter Si nanowire near the CBM

- KS band gap = 0.608 eV (@ Γ)



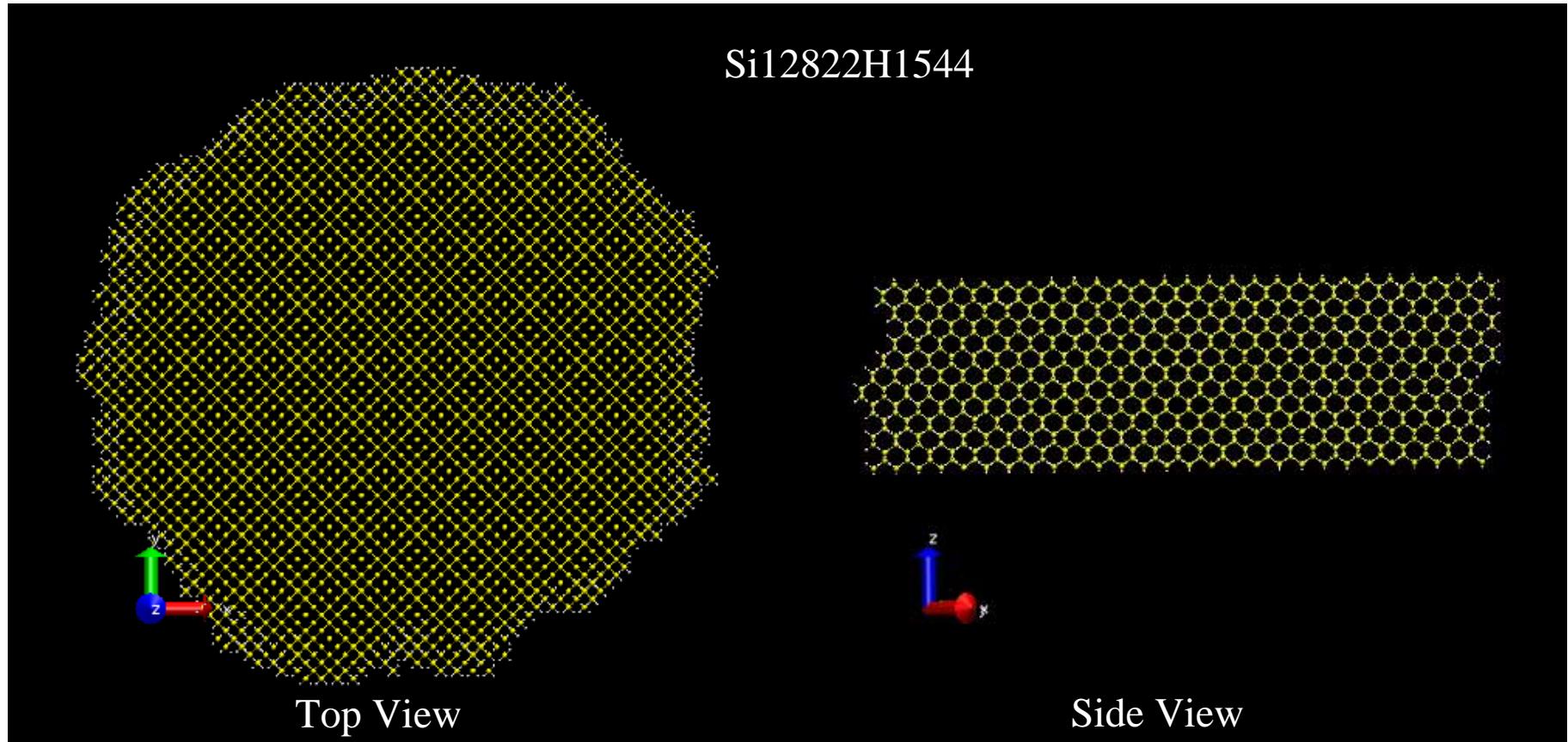
Effective mass equation

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_t^*} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \right) - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m_l^*} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \right] \Phi(\mathbf{r}) = (\varepsilon - \varepsilon_{CBM}) \Phi(\mathbf{r})$$

The band structure can be understood that electrons near the CBM in the bulk Si are Confined within a cylindrical geometry.

Si nano wire with surface roughness

Si12822H1544

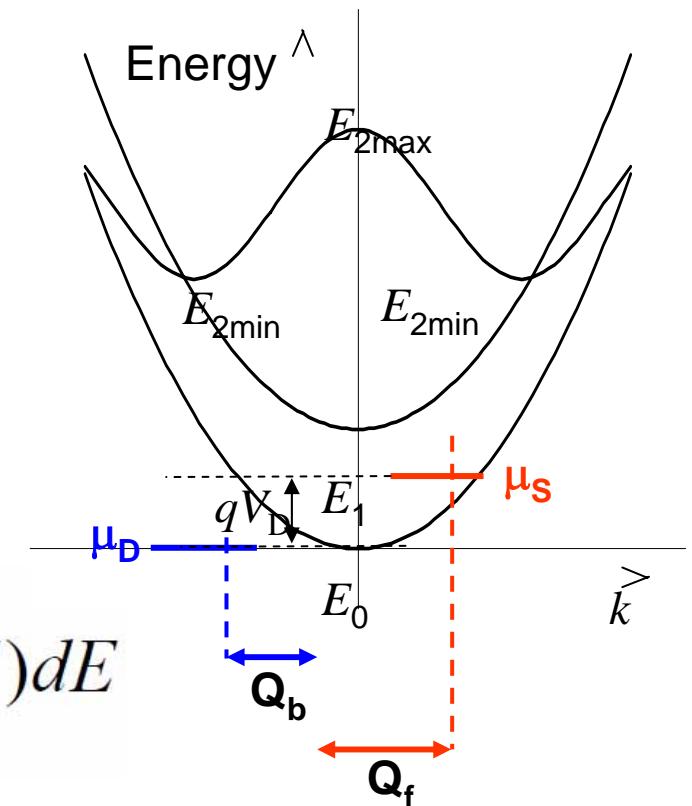
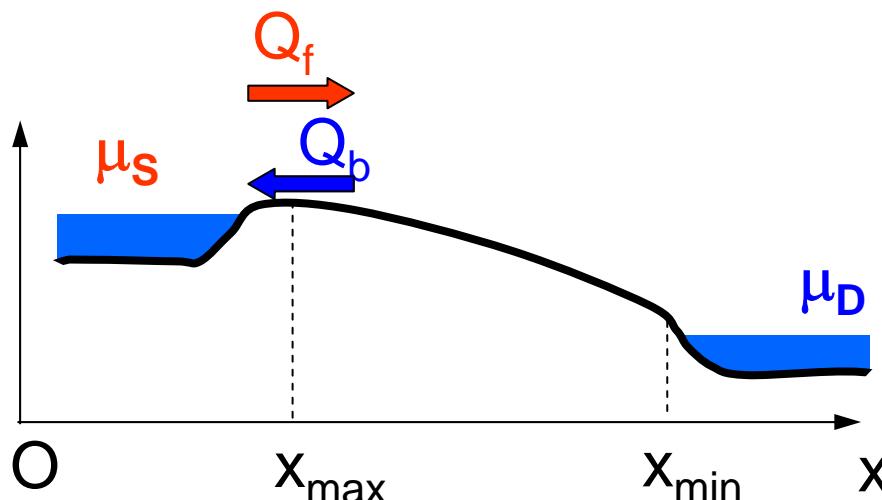


Si12822H1544 (14,366 atoms)

- 10nm diameter, 3.3nm height, (100)
- Grid spacing : 0.45Å (~14Ry)
- # of grid points : 4,718,592
- # of bands : 29,024
- Memory : 1,022GB ~ 2,044GB

SiNW Band compact model

Landauer Formalism for Ballistic FET

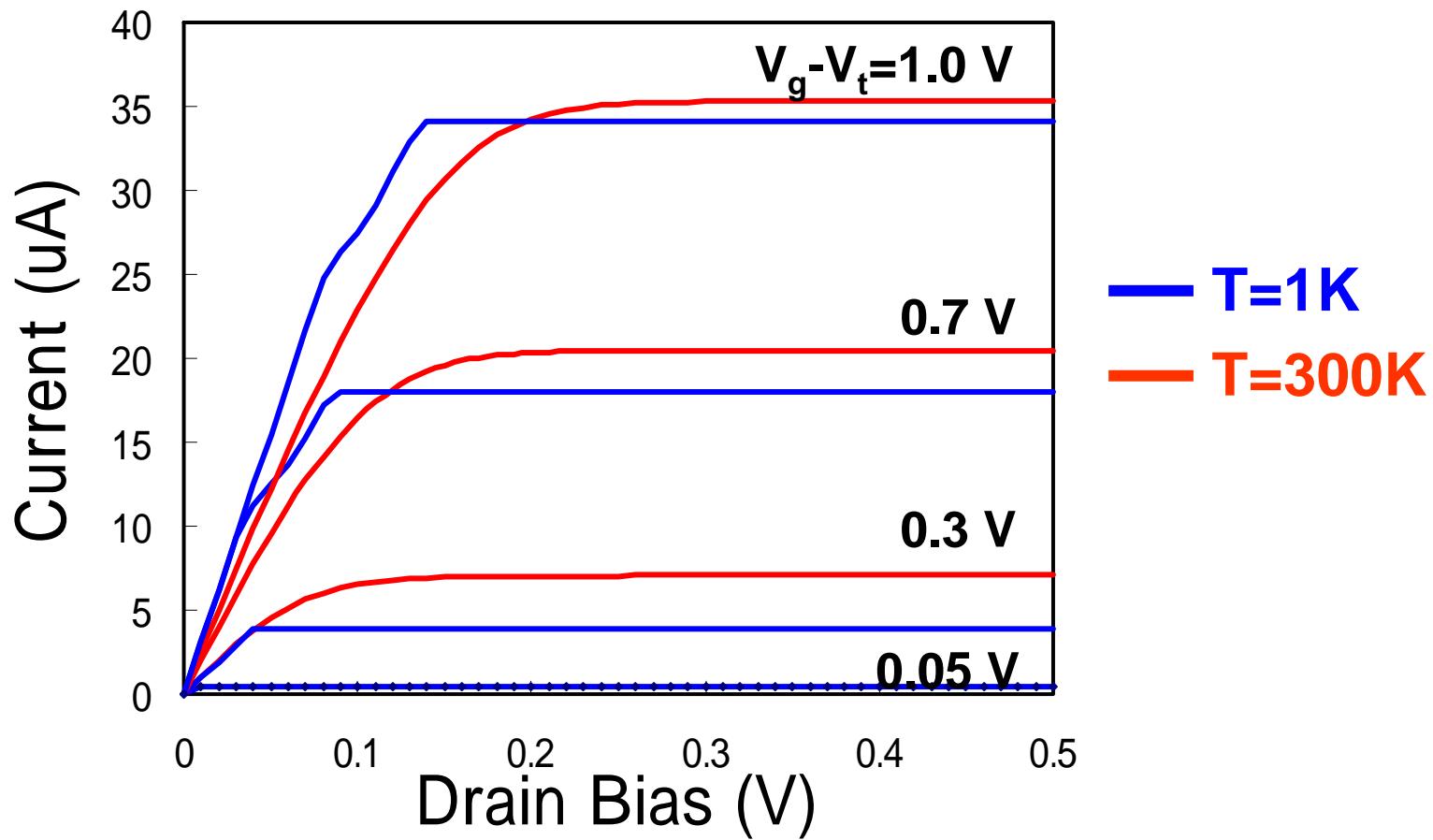


$$I_D = \frac{q}{\pi \hbar} \sum_i \int [f(E, \mu_S) - f(E, \mu_D)] T_i(E) dE$$

From x_{\max} to x_{\min} $T_i(E) \approx 1$

$$I_D = G_0 \left(\frac{k_B T}{q} \right) \sum_i g_i \ln \left\{ \frac{1 + \exp[(\mu_S - E_{i0}) / k_B T]}{1 + \exp[(\mu_D - E_{i0}) / k_B T]} \right\}$$

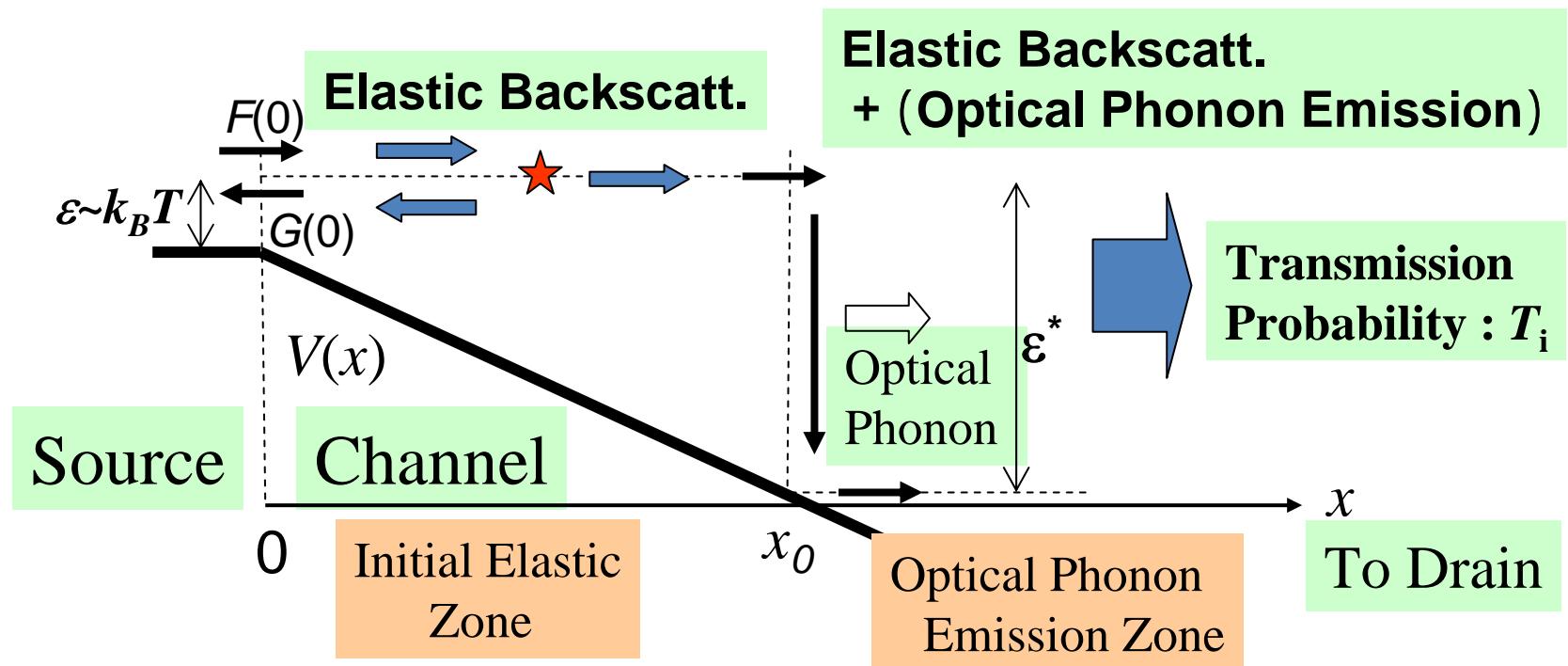
IV Characteristics of Ballistic SiNW FET



Small temperature dependency
35 μ A/wire for 4 quantum channels

Model of Carrier Scattering

Linear Potential Approx. : Electric Field E



Transmission Probability to Drain

$$T(\varepsilon) = \frac{F(0) - G(0)}{F(0)}$$

Injection from Drain=0

Résumé of the Compact Model

$$I = \frac{q}{\pi \hbar} \sum_i g_i \int [f(\varepsilon, \mu_s) - f(\varepsilon, \mu_D)] T_i d\varepsilon$$

$$C_G = \frac{2\pi \varepsilon_{ox}}{\ln \left(\frac{\sqrt{2r + t_{ox}} + \sqrt{t_{ox}}}{\sqrt{2r + t_{ox}} - \sqrt{t_{ox}}} \right)}.$$

Planar
Gate

$$(V_G - V_t) - \alpha \frac{\mu_s - \mu_0}{q} = \frac{|Q_f + Q_b|}{C_G}.$$

$$\mu_s - \mu_D = qV_D$$

$$C_G = \frac{2\pi \varepsilon_{ox}}{\ln \left(\frac{r + t_{ox}}{r} \right)}.$$

GAA

(Electrostatics requirement)

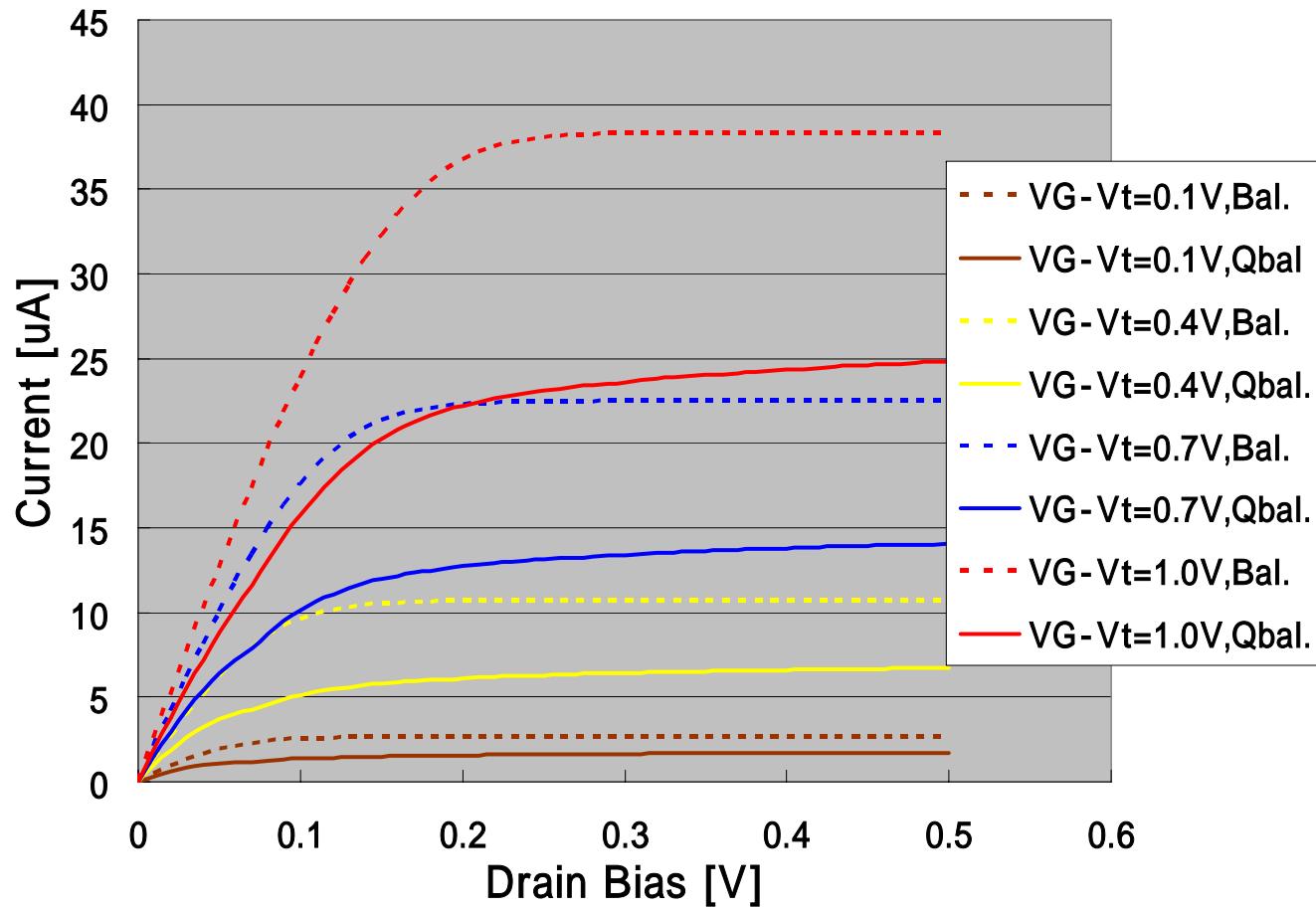
$$|Q_f + Q_b| = \frac{q}{\pi} \sum_i g_i \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dk}{1 + \exp \left\{ \frac{\varepsilon_i(k) - \mu_s}{k_B T} \right\}} - \int_{-\infty}^0 \left\{ \frac{1}{1 + \exp \left\{ \frac{\varepsilon_i(k) - \mu_s}{k_B T} \right\}} - \frac{1}{1 + \exp \left\{ \frac{\varepsilon_i(k) - \mu_D}{k_B T} \right\}} \right\} T_i(\varepsilon_i(k)) dk \right]$$

$$T(\varepsilon) = \frac{\sqrt{2D_0} q E}{\left(\sqrt{B_0 + D_0} + \sqrt{D_0} \right) q E + \sqrt{2mD_0} B_0 \ln \left(\frac{qEx_0 + \varepsilon}{\varepsilon} \right)}$$

(Carrier distribution
in Subbands)

Unknowns are I_D , $(\mu_s - \mu_0)$, $(\mu_D - \mu_0)$, $(Q_f + Q_b)$

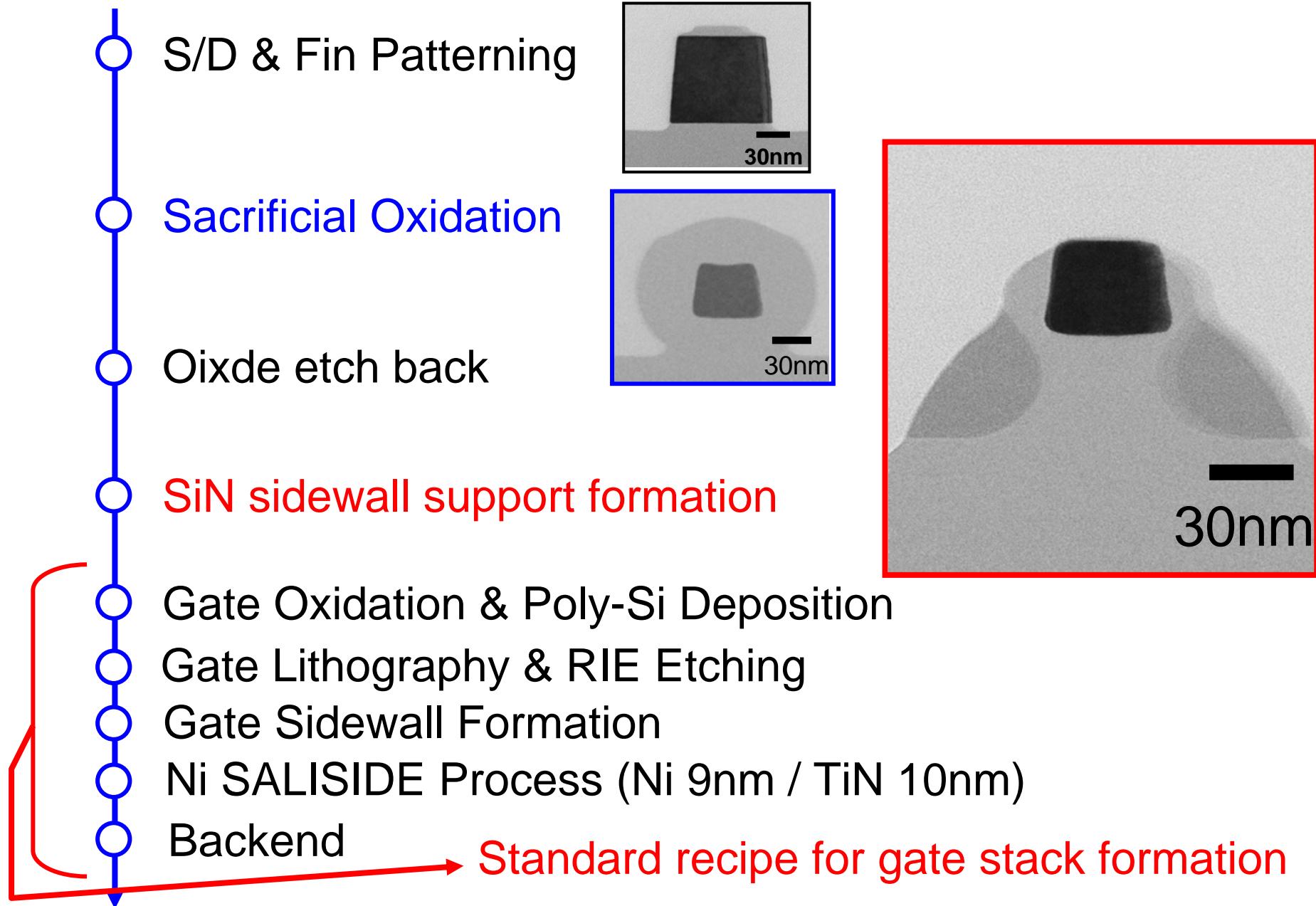
I-V_D Characteristics (RT)



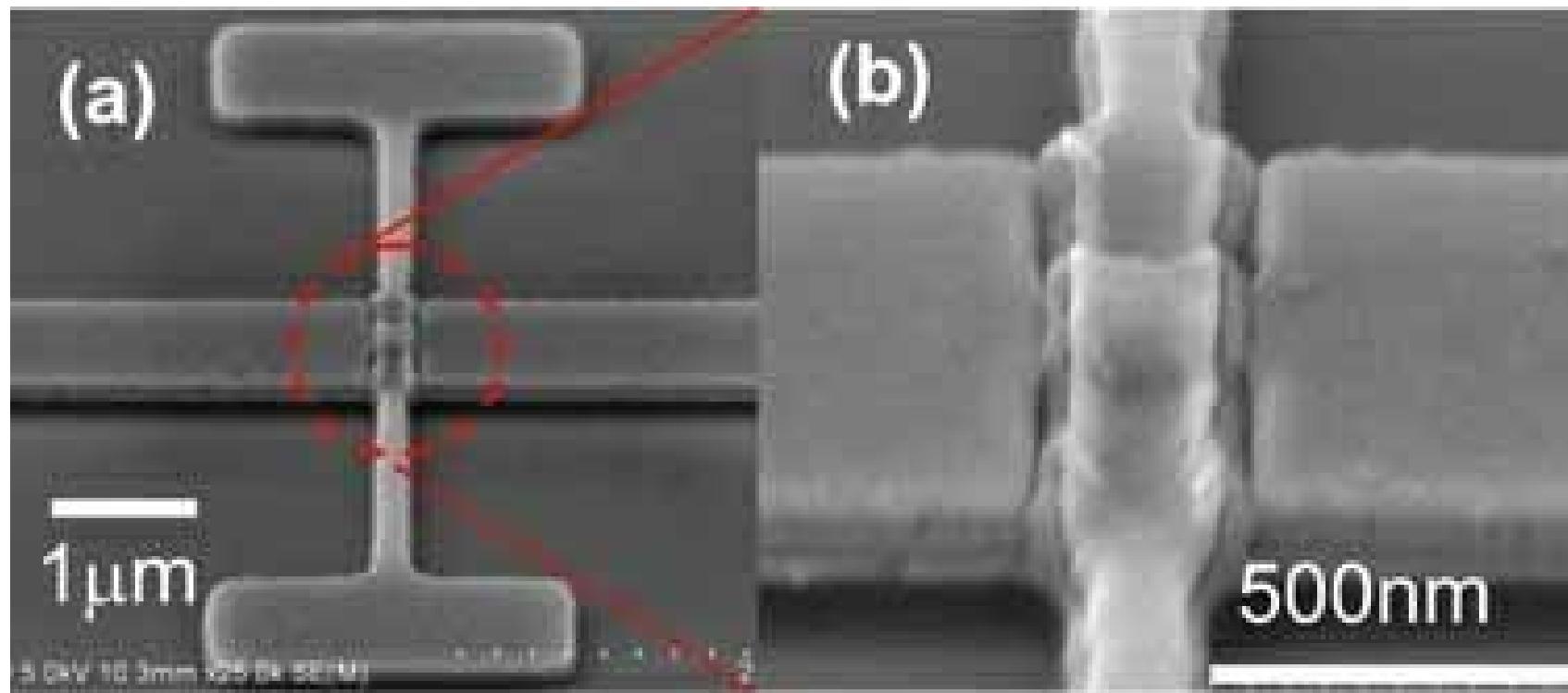
- Electric current 20 ~ 25 μA
- No saturation at Large V_D

SiNW FET Fabrication

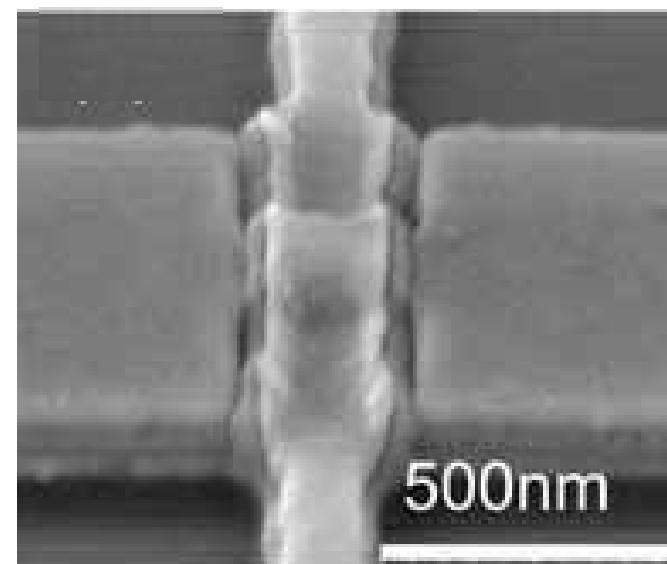
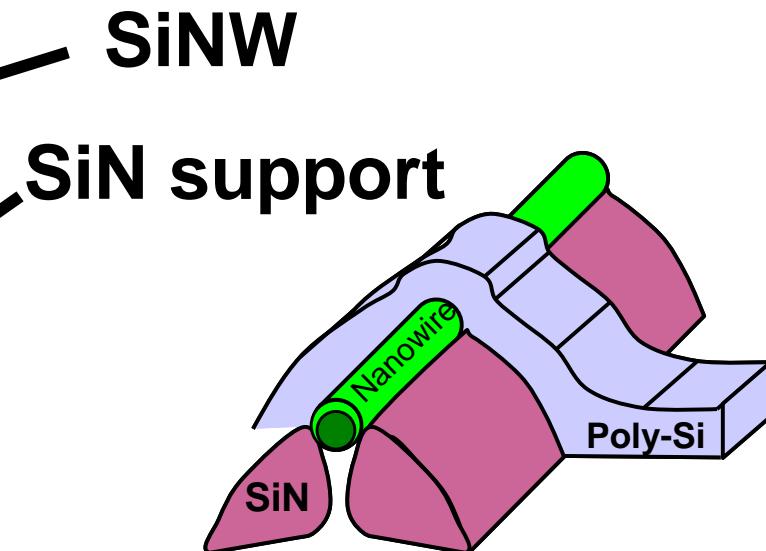
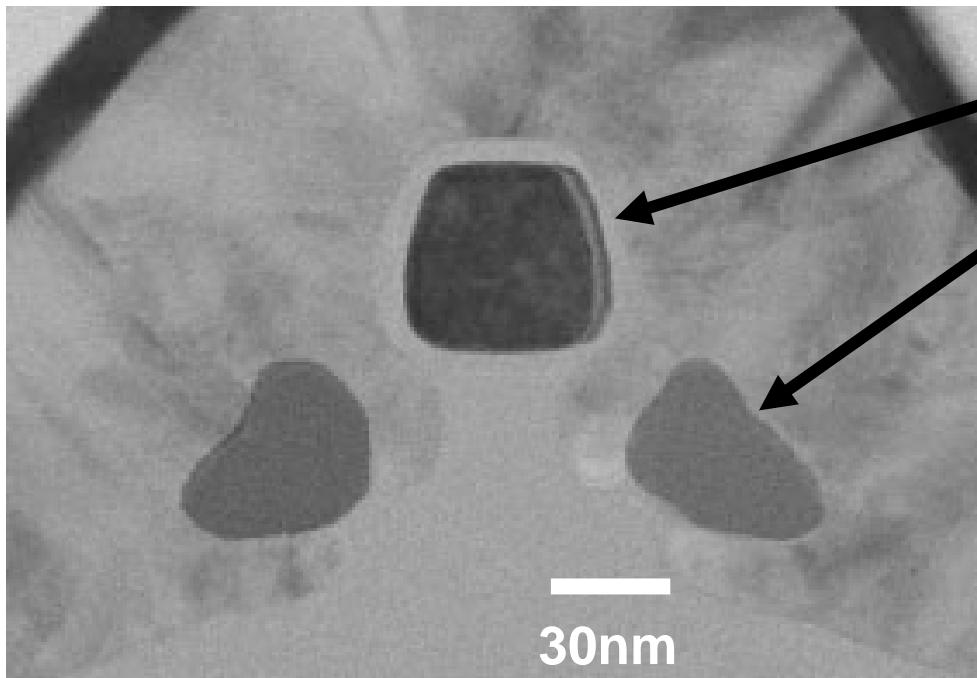
SiNW FET Fabrication



(a) SEM image of Si NW FET ($L_g = 200\text{nm}$)
(b) high magnification observation of gate and its sidewall.

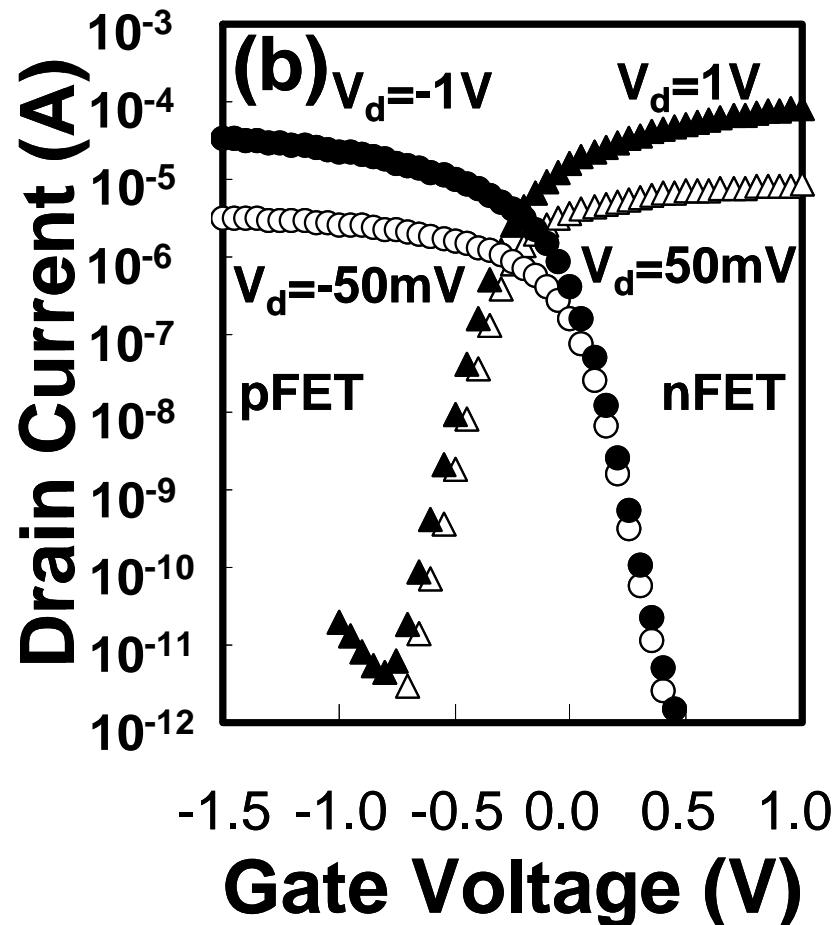
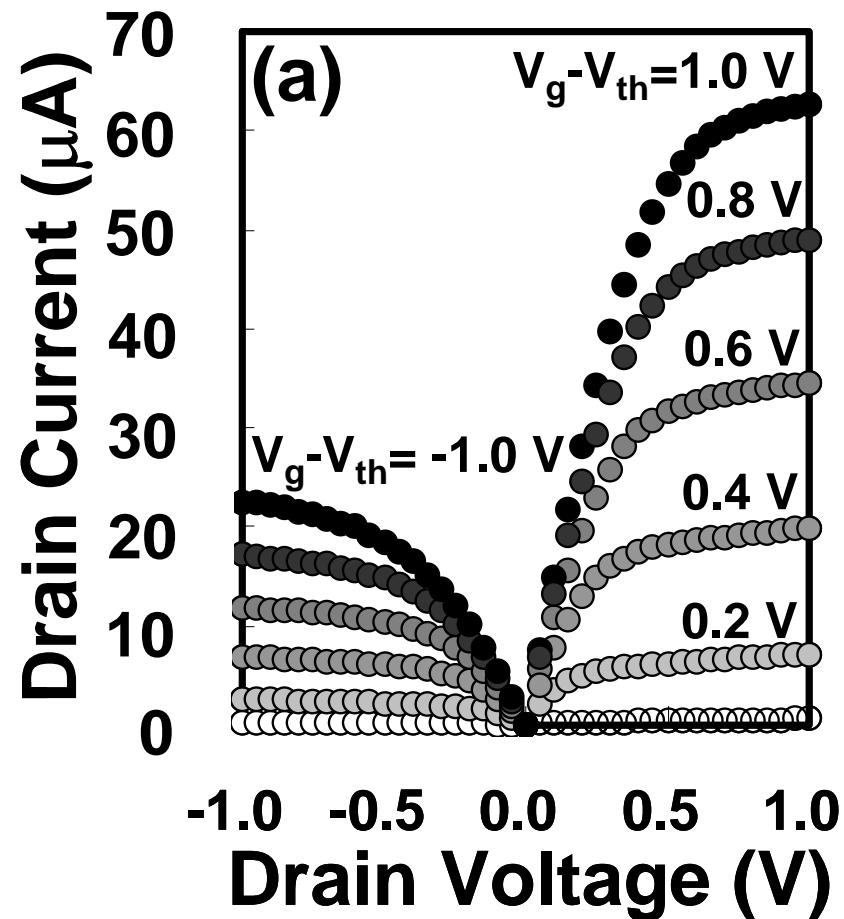


Fabricated SiNW FET



Recent results to be presented by ESSDERC 2010 next week in Seville

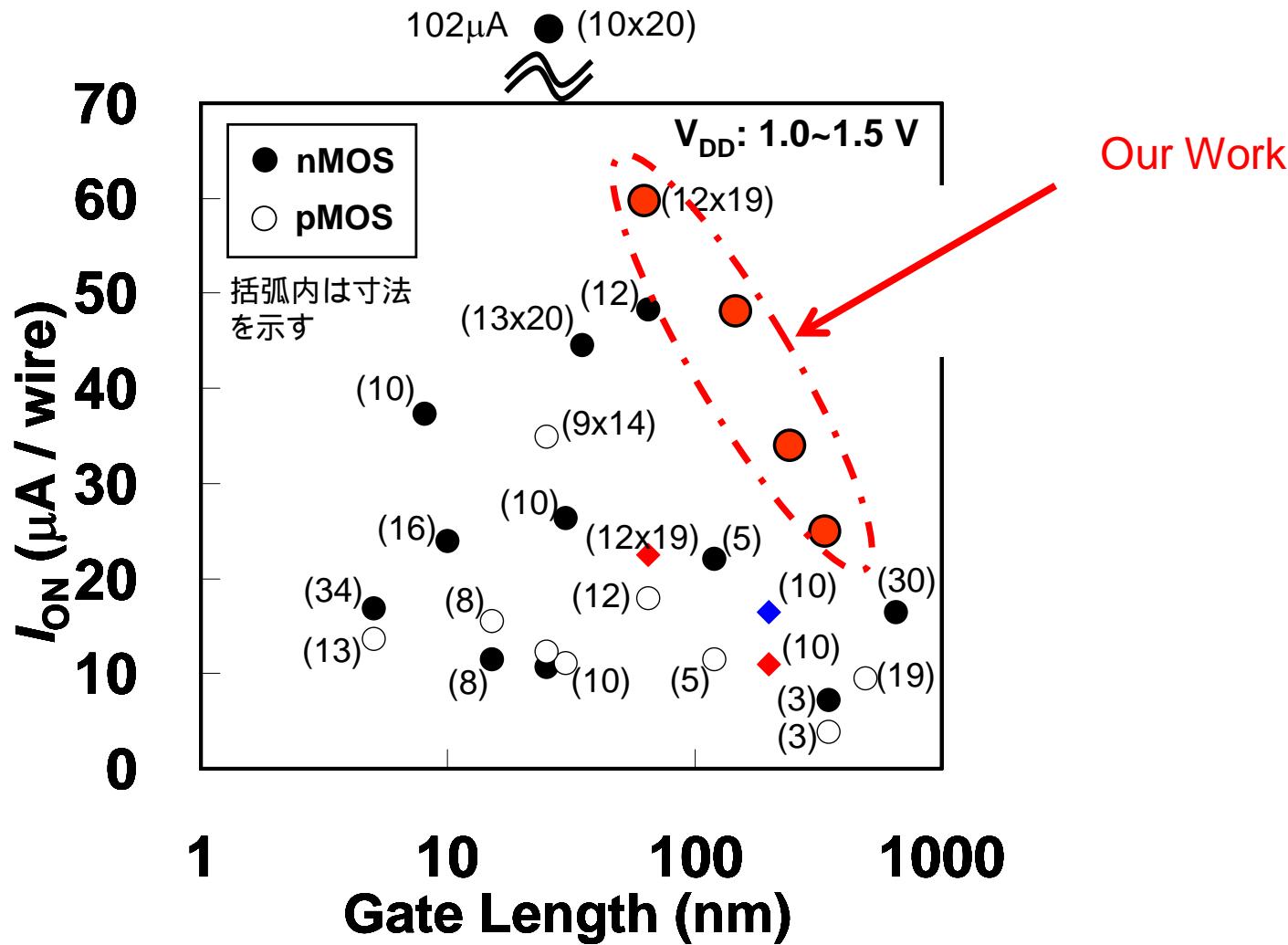
Wire cross-section: 20 nm X 10 nm



On/Off $>10^6$, 60 μ A/wire

$L_g = 65 \text{ nm}$, $T_{ox} = 3 \text{ nm}$

Bench Mark



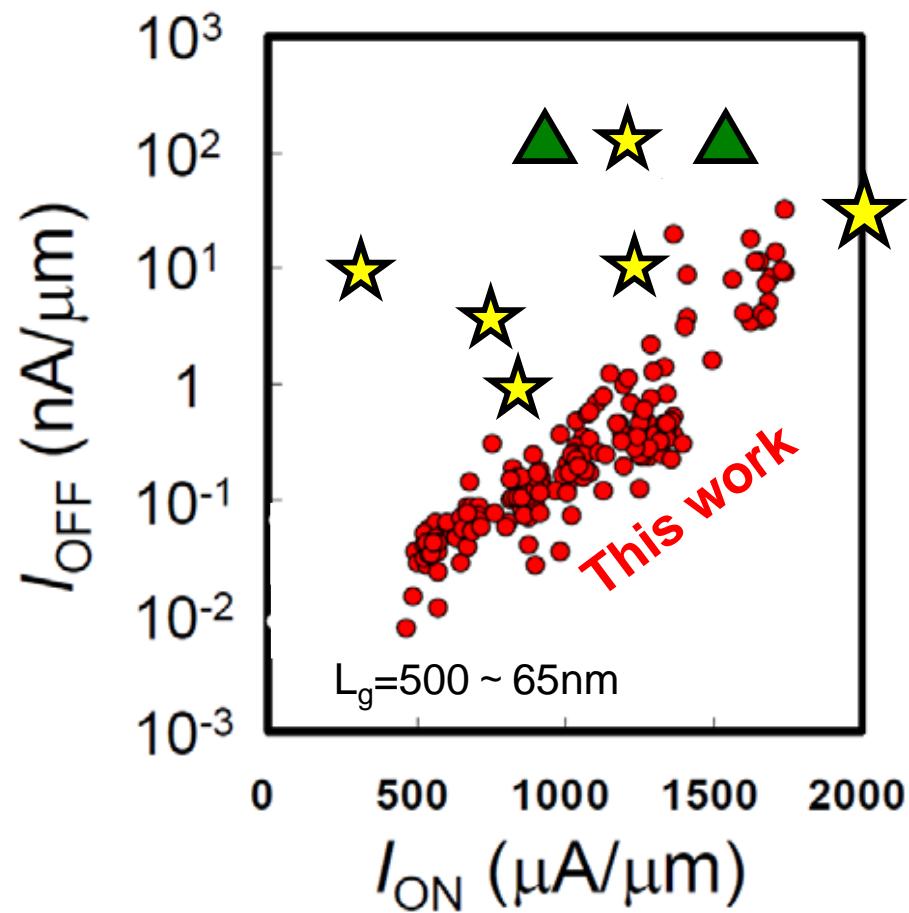
Bench Mark

	This work	Ref[11]	Ref[12]	Ref[13]	Ref[14]	Ref[15]	Ref[4]
NW Cross-section (nm)	Rect.	Rect.	Rect.	Cir.	Cir.	Elliptical	Elliptical
NW Size (nm)	10x20	10x20	14	10	10	12	13x20
Lg (nm)	65	25	100	30	8	65	35
EOT or Tox (nm)	3	1.8	1.8	2	4	3	1.5
Vdd (V)	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.0
Ion(uA) per wire	60.1	102	30.3	26.4	37.4	48.4	43.8
Ion(uA/um) by dia.	3117	5010	2170	2640	3740	4030	2592
Ion(uA/um) by cir.	1609	2054	430	841	1191	1283	825
SS (mV/dec.)	70	79	68	71	75	~75	85
DIBL (mV/V)	62	56	15	13	22	40-82	65
Ion/Ioff	~1E6	>1E6	>1E5	~1E6	>1E7	>1E7	~2E5

Ref[11] by Stmicro Lg=25nm,Tox=1.8nm

This work Lg=65nm,Tox=3nm

I_{ON}/I_{OFF} Bench mark



Planer FET



1.0 ~ 1.1V

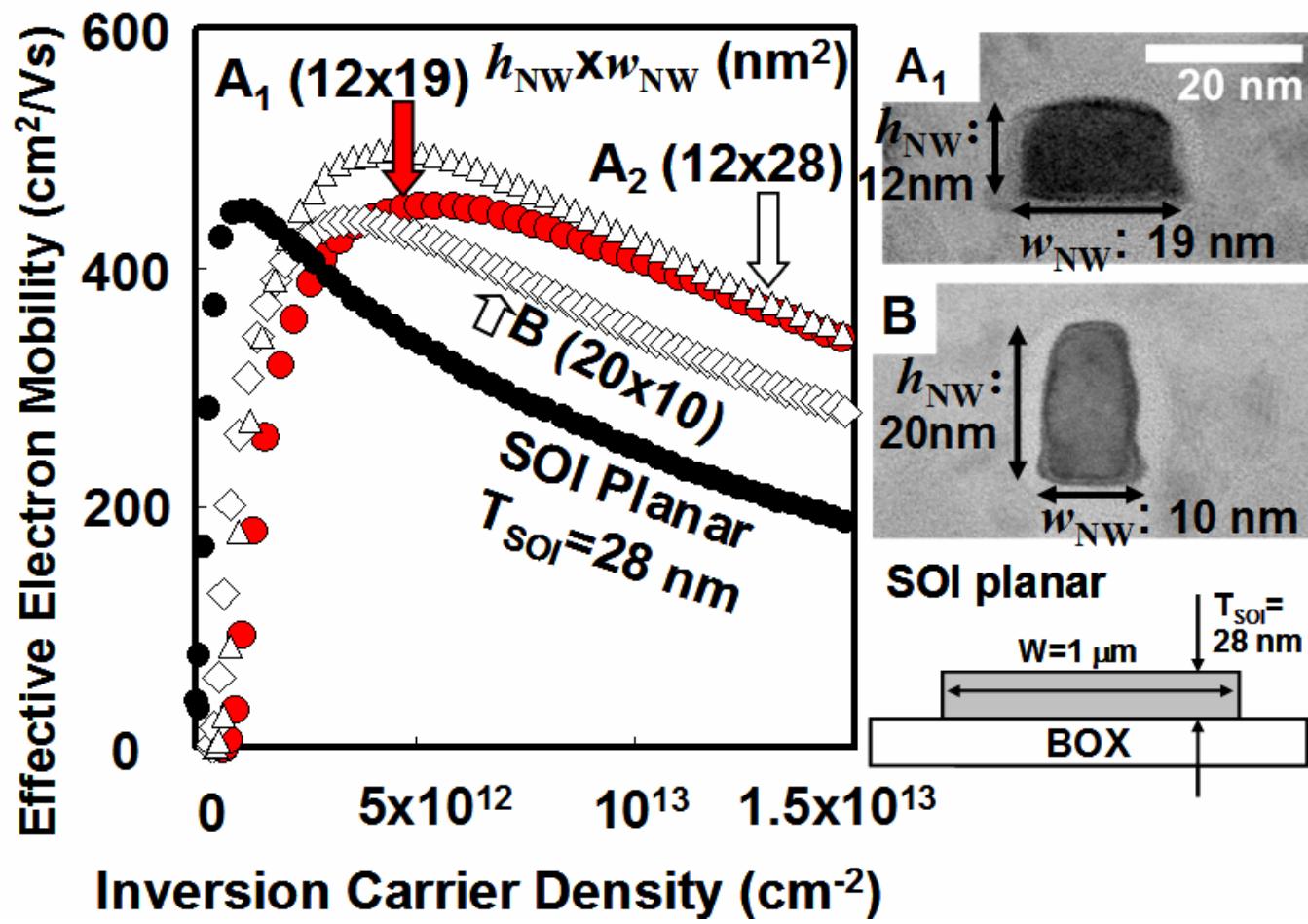
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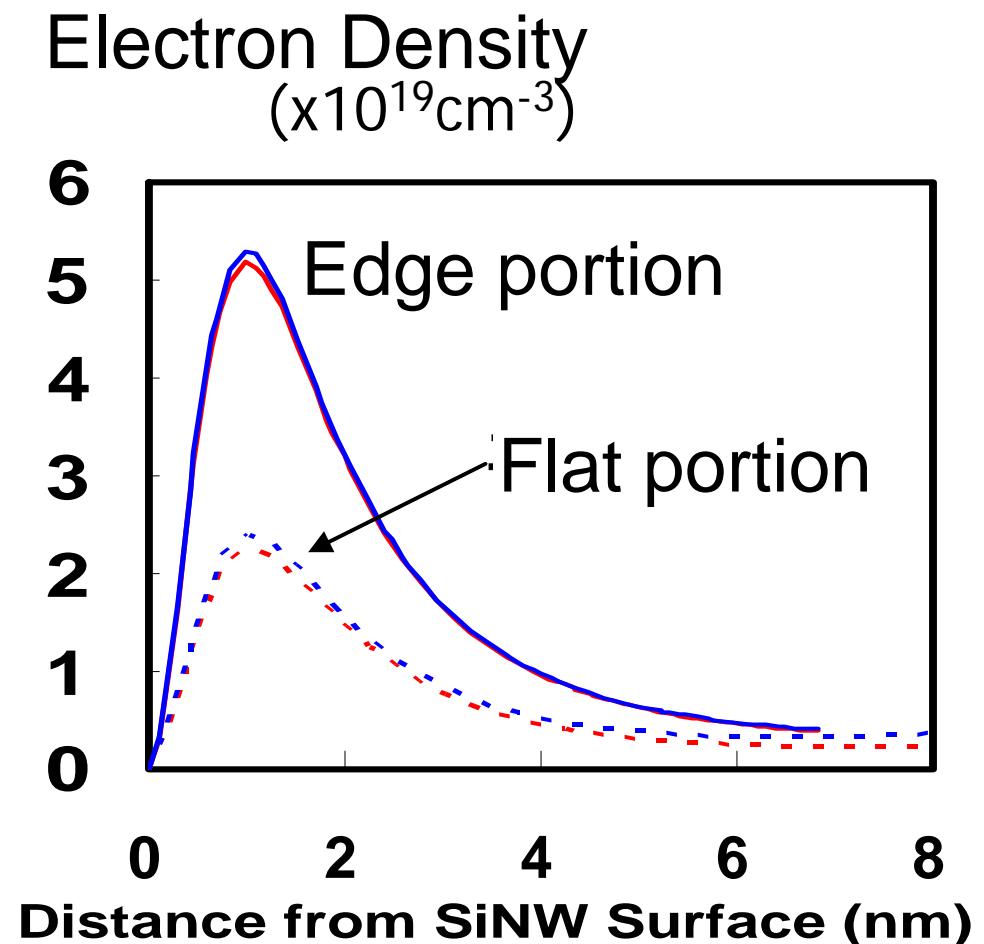
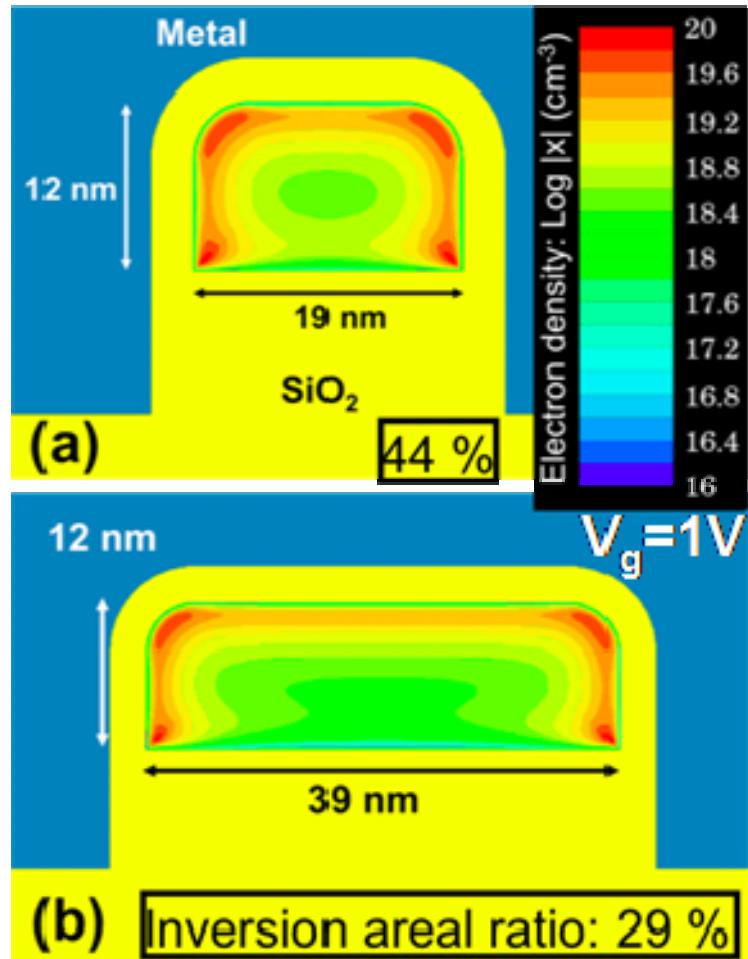
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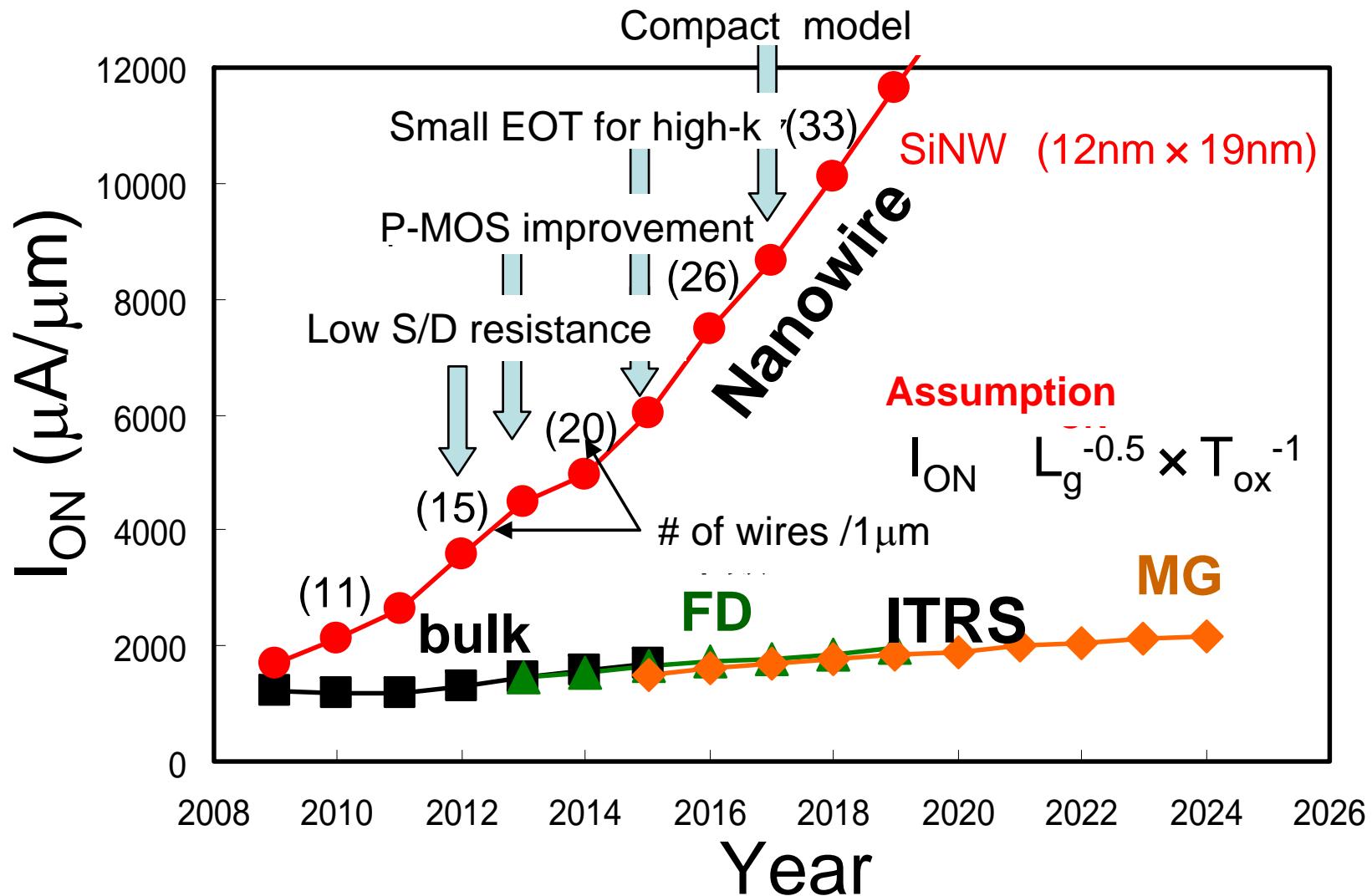
1.2 ~ 1.3V

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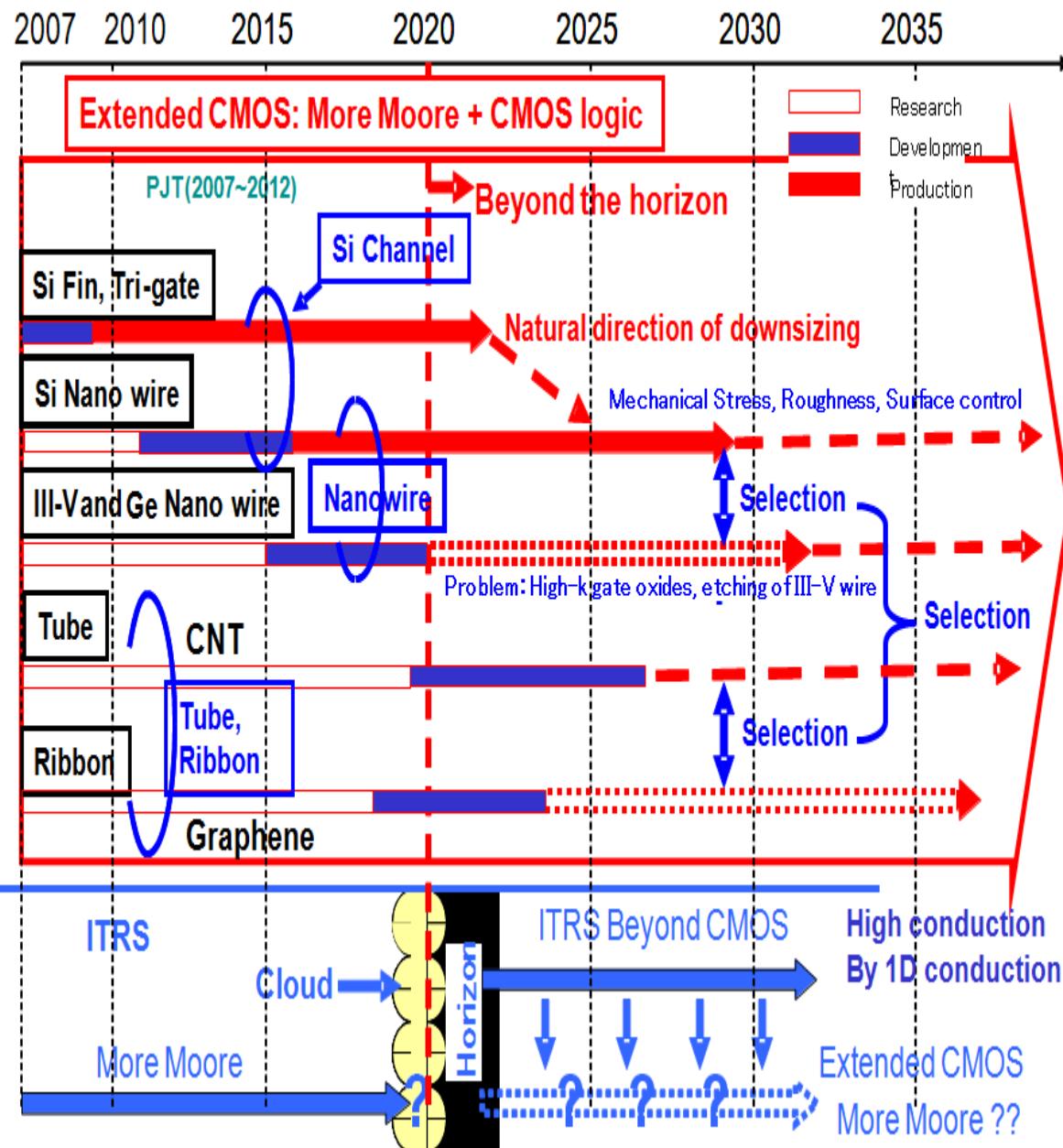


Primitive estimation !



Our roadmap for R & D

Source: H. Iwai, IWJT 2008



Current Issues

Si Nanowire

Control of wire surface property
Source Drain contact

Optimization of wire diameter

Compact I-V model

III-V & Ge Nanowire

High-k gate insulator

Wire formation technique

CNT:

Growth and integration of CNT

Width and Chirality control

Chirality determines conduction types: metal or semiconductor

Graphene:

Graphene formation technique

Suppression of off-current

Very small bandgap or no bandgap (semi-metal)

Control of ribbon edge structure which affects bandgap

Thank you
for your attention!