# 520.216 Introduction to VLSI Systems Lecture 3

# Integrated Circuits Fabrication and Very Large Scale Integration

#### Charges and Their Movement (I)

- Electrons
- lons

Where?

Solids

Liquids

Gases

and

**INTERFACES** 

How Well?

Superconductors

Conductors

Semiconductors

**Insulators** 

How?

Drift / Diffusion (Classical)
Tunneling (Quantum Mechanical)

### **Charges and Their Movement (II)**

#### **FUNCTIONAL**

- Electrical conduits (1D, 2D, 3D)
- Transistors
- Switches

#### STRUCTURAL

- Etching
- Film deposition (electroplating)

**REDOX** 

We now consider transport in the solid-state and more specifically in the semiconductor Silicon

the microelectronics world does not use SI units! distance will be measured in **cm** and not meters.

for example: conductivity has units of ohm-cm

#### Silicon!

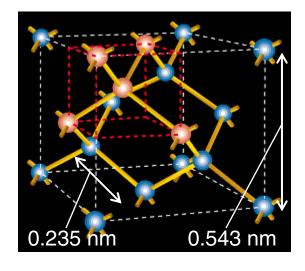
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6 C 14 Si 32 Ge 50 Sn 82 Pb

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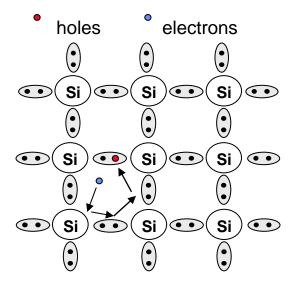
#### **Silicon**

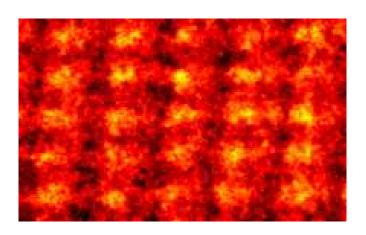
#### semiconductor



14 electrons4 valence electrons

Silicon molecule 5 silicon atoms in a unit cell Diamond lattice Covalent bonds

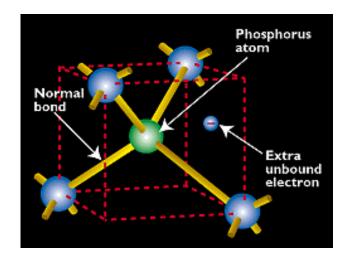


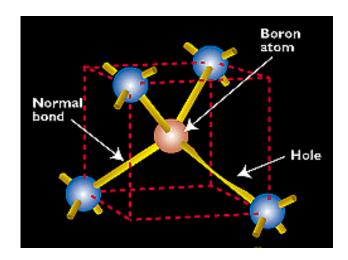


P.D. Neillist, "Incoherent Transmission Electron Microscopy" Phys. Rev. Lett. 81, 4156 ( 9 Nov. 1998)

Silicon molecules: http://www.eere.energy.gov/pv/simolecule.html

#### **Doped Silicon**





N- doped

P-doped

- bound electrons
- free electrons and holes Si Si Si lacktrianglelacktriangle••  $\bullet$ Si  $\odot$  $\bullet$ lacktrianglelacktriangleSi lacktriangle $\bullet$ •• ••  $\odot$

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### **Equilibrium Carrier Densities**

$$n_n p_o = n_i^2 = 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

where  $n_o$  is electron and  $p_o$  hole carrier concentrations

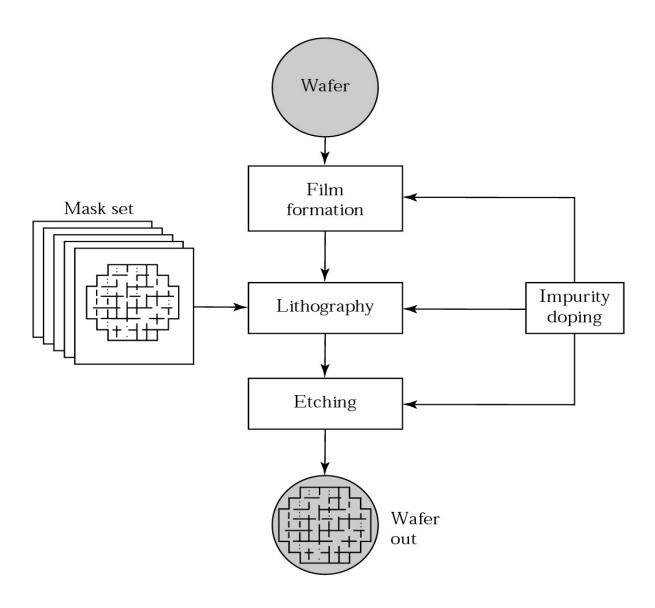
in most cases of interest the donor doping  $N_D$  or acceptor  $N_A$  doping concentration is much larger than the intrinsic concentration  $n_i$  so that

$$p_o = N_A$$
 and  $n_o = \frac{n_i^2}{N_A}$   $p - type$ 

$$n_o = N_D$$
 and  $p_o = \frac{n_i^2}{N_D}$   $n - type$ 

by convention, donor or acceptor concentrations as well as electron and hole concentrations are given as a number per  ${
m cm}^3$ 

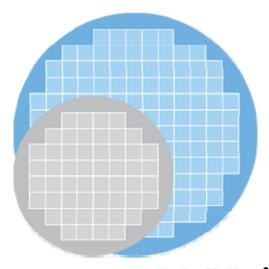
## **Integrated Circuit Fabrication**



#### Where is it done?



UMC 300mm wafers



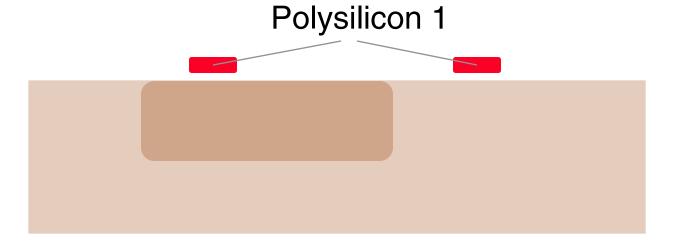
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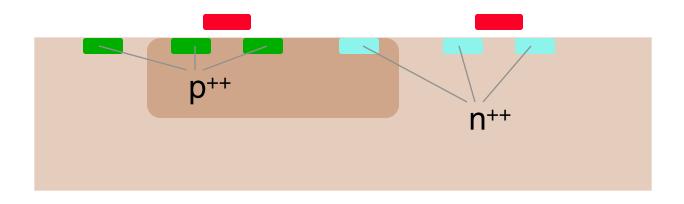
## **Basic CMOS components**

- Conductors
- Switches (MOS transistors)
- Capacitors (MOS capacitors)
- Inductors
- Resistors

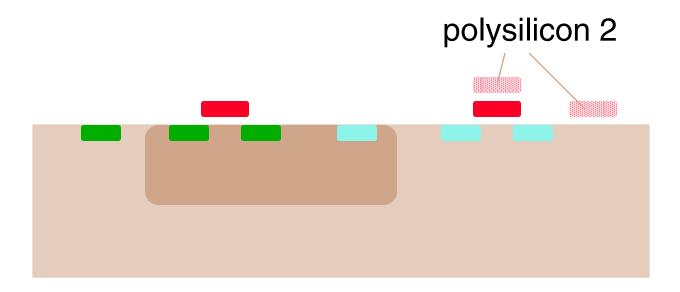
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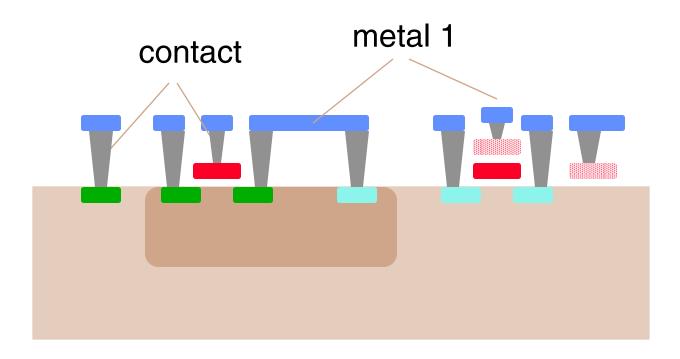




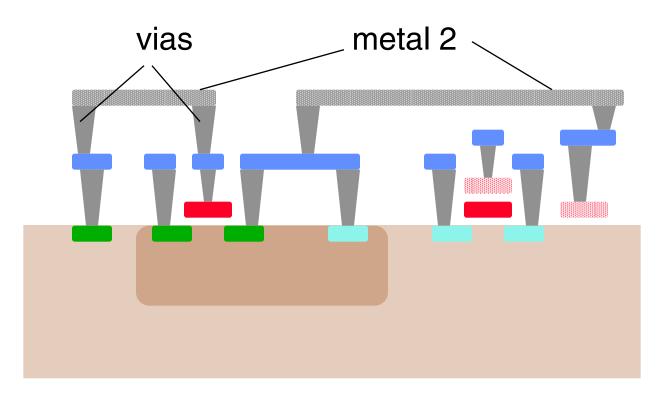


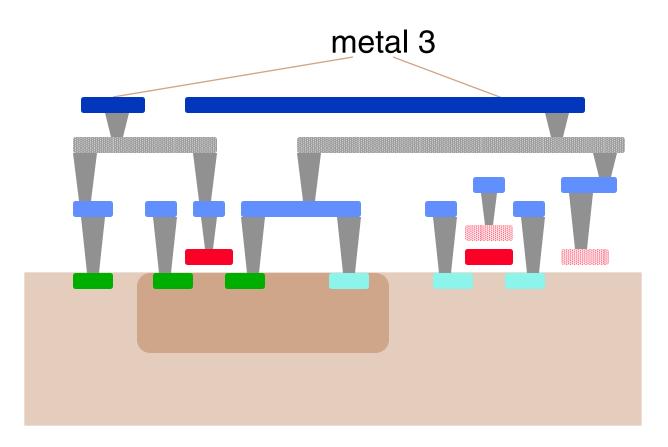
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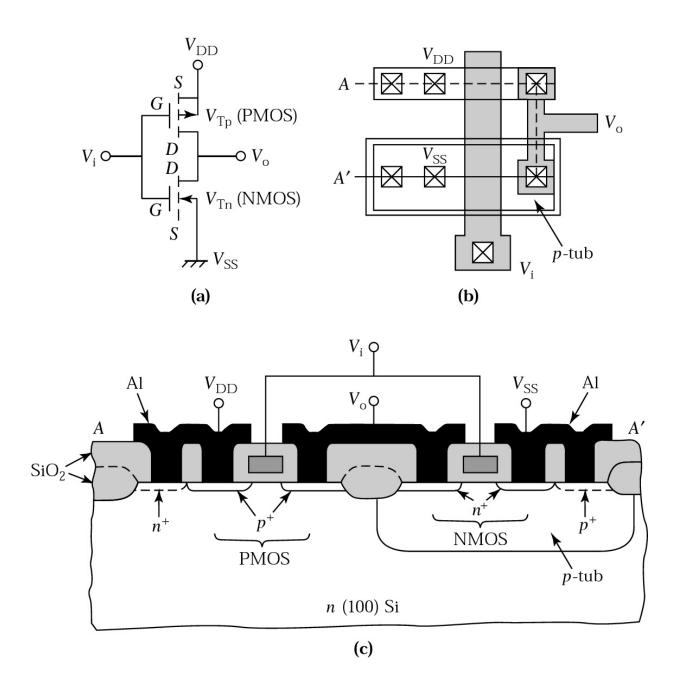


#### **Bulk CMOS Technology (III)**

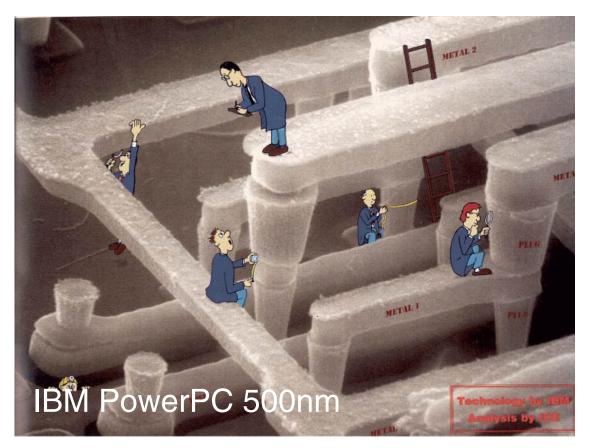


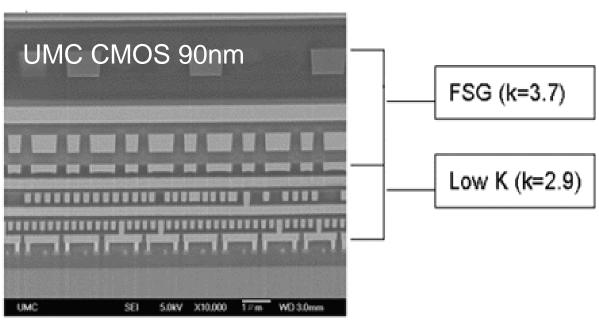


#### **CMOS Inverter**



#### **Metallization Details**





L90 1P9M Cu/Low-k (k<2.9)