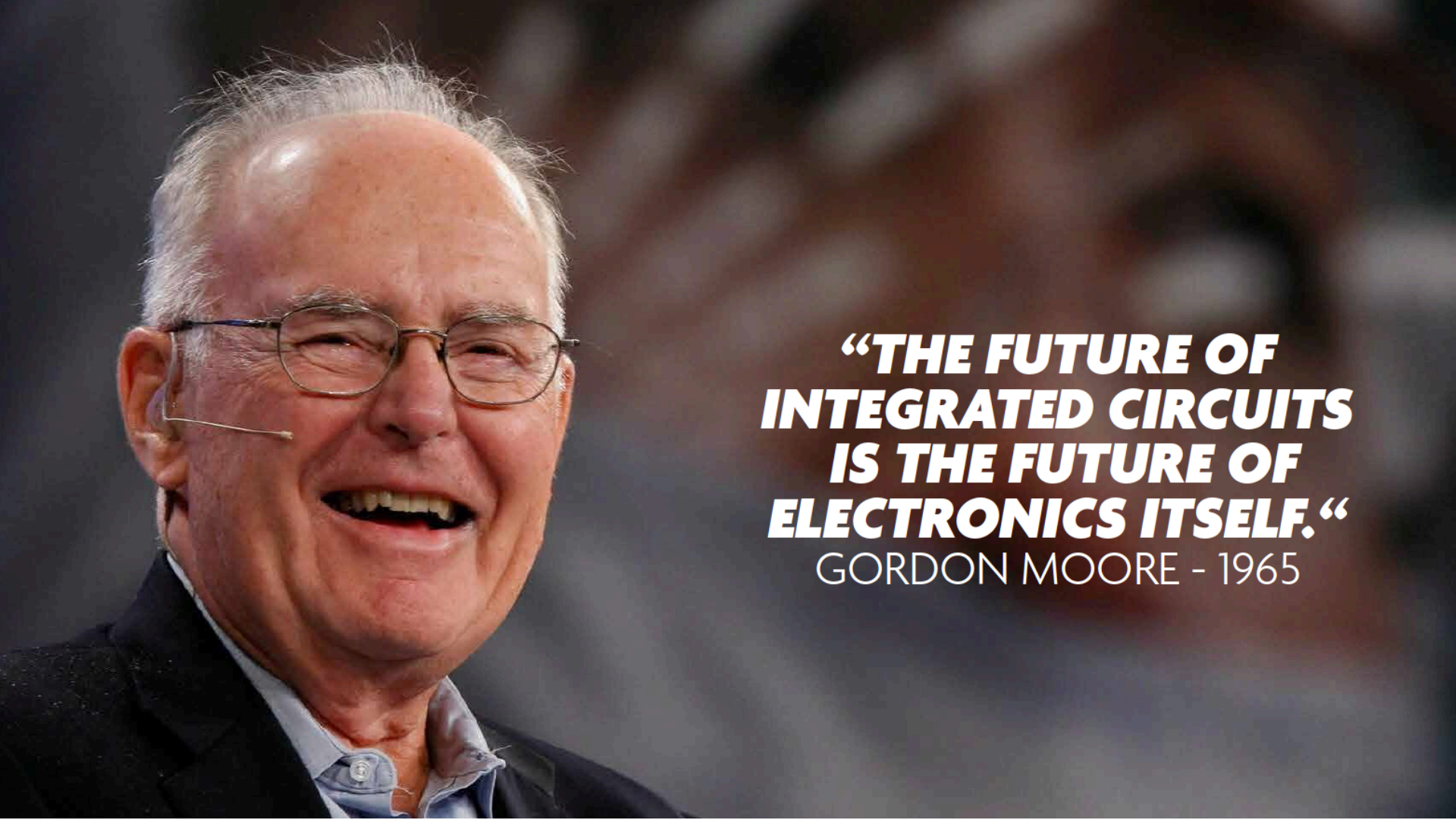


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Trends and drivers for integrated circuit technology

W. Snoeys, CERN

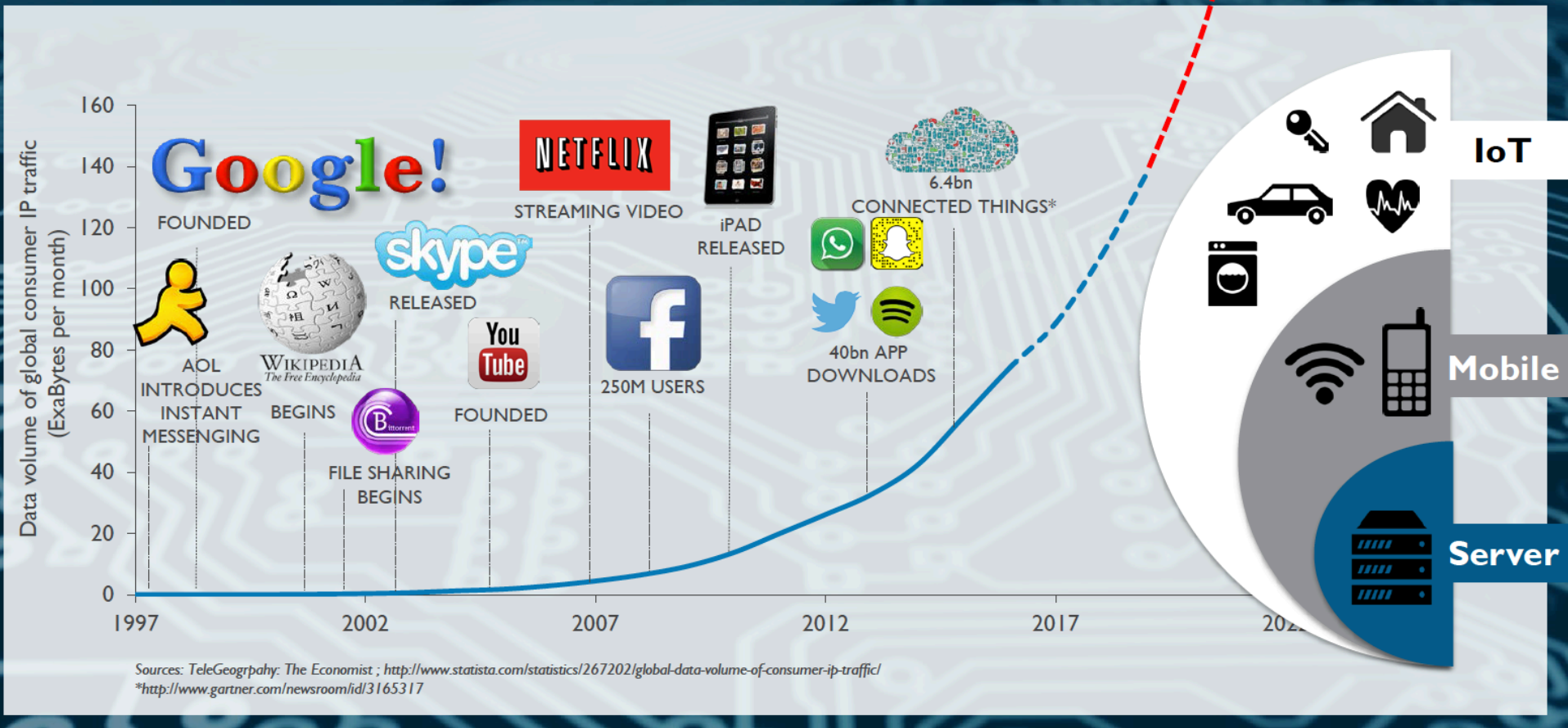


***“THE FUTURE OF
INTEGRATED CIRCUITS
IS THE FUTURE OF
ELECTRONICS ITSELF.”***
GORDON MOORE - 1965

CMOS Scaling

New drivers

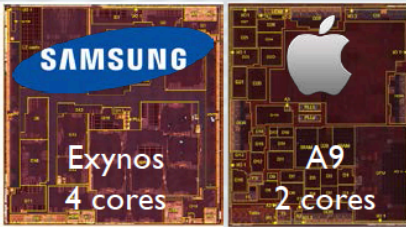
DATA TRAFFIC EXPLOSION



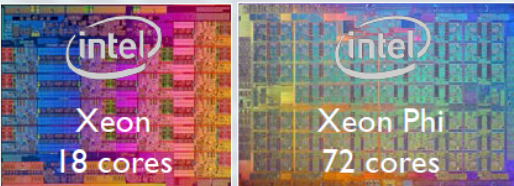
NEW APPLICATIONS DRIVE CPU REQUIREMENTS



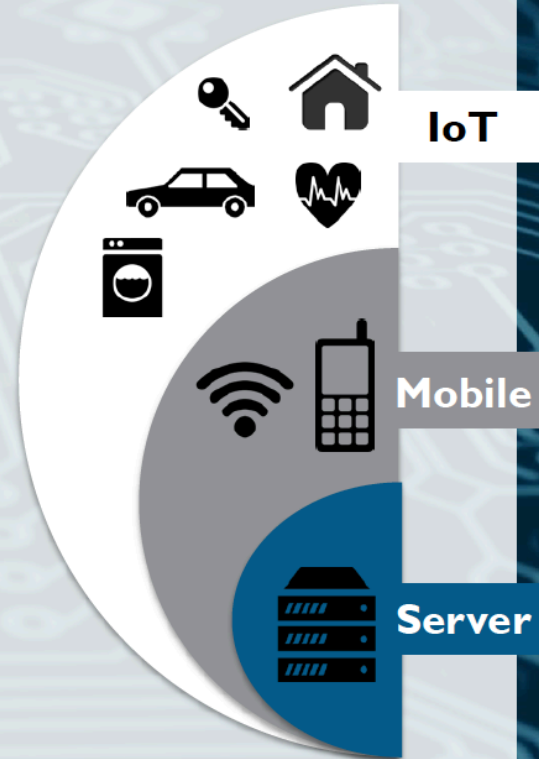
Micro-controller
Performance **100 MHz** **28 nm**
Power **1 mW-100mW**
Memory **<1 MByte**



Cores **4**
Performance **1 GHz** **14 nm**
Power **100 mW-10W**
Memory **1-4 MByte**



Cores: **8-16 (72 for HPC)**
Performance **4 GHz** **14 nm**
Power **100-500W**
Memory **16-40MByte**



... DRIVING TECHNOLOGY DIVERSIFICATION

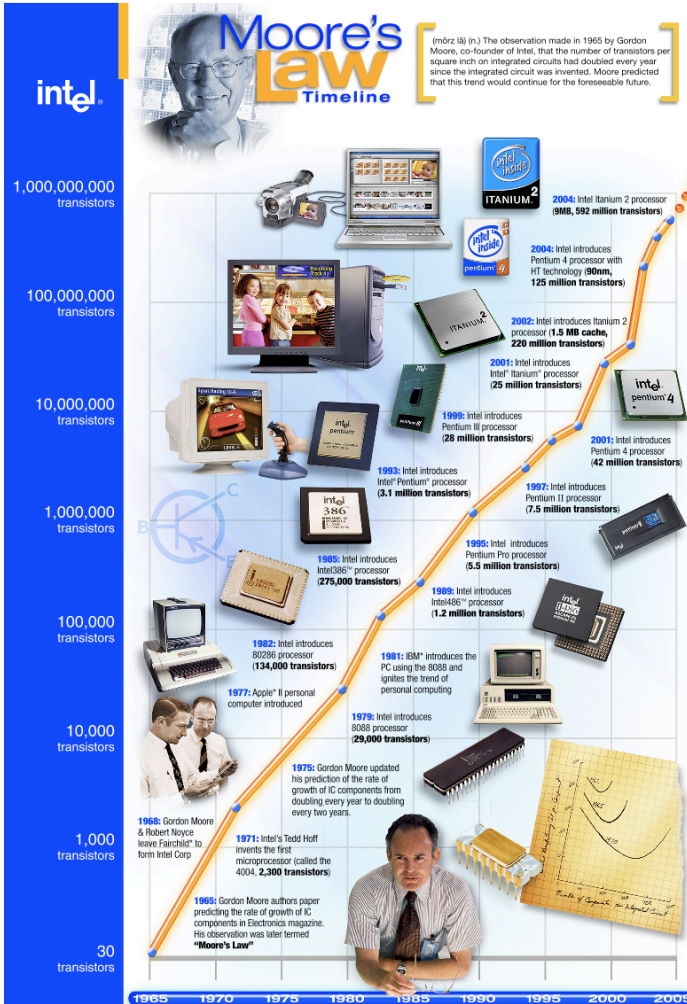
Transistor scaling

Smaller More Faster Less power

Moore's law

'The number of transistors per integrated circuit increases exponentially with time

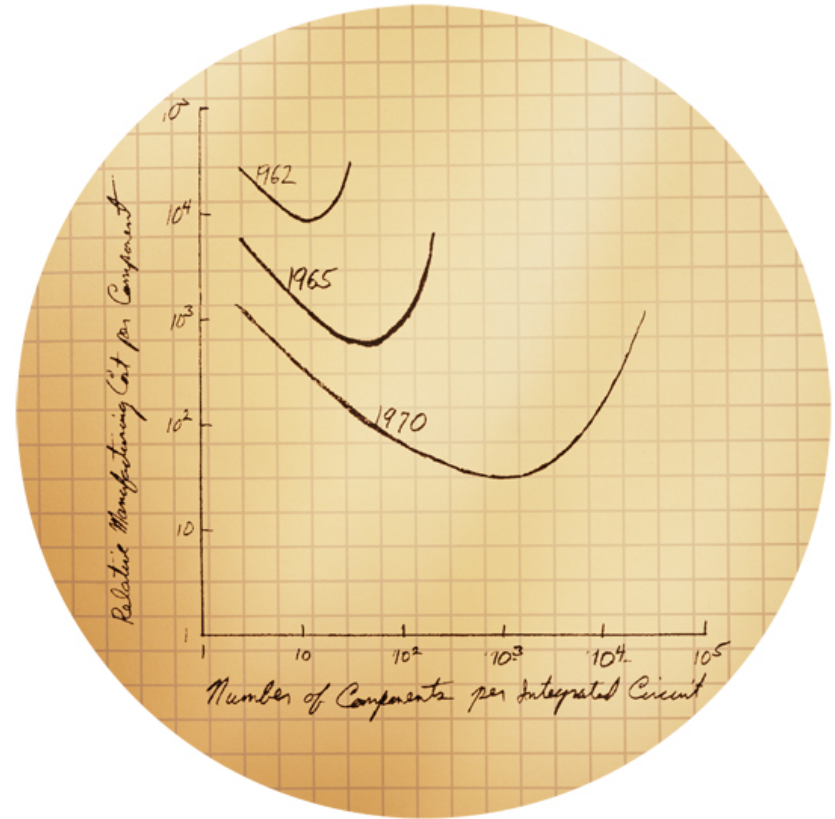
'(doubling roughly every two years)'



1959: Jack Kilby and Intel co-founder, Robert Noyce, Co-invent the integrated circuit

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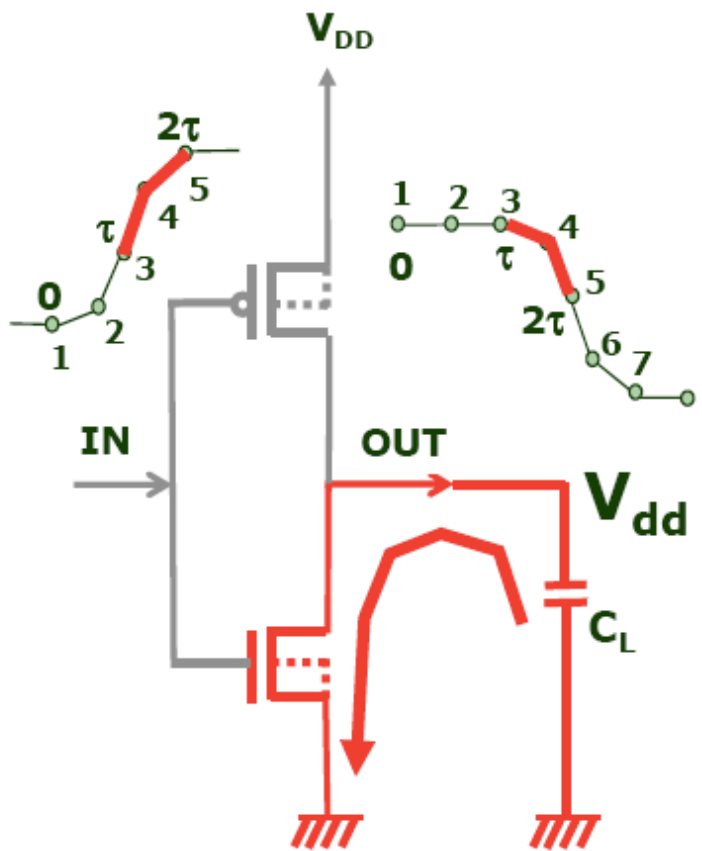
Constant power density scaling

Not always possible

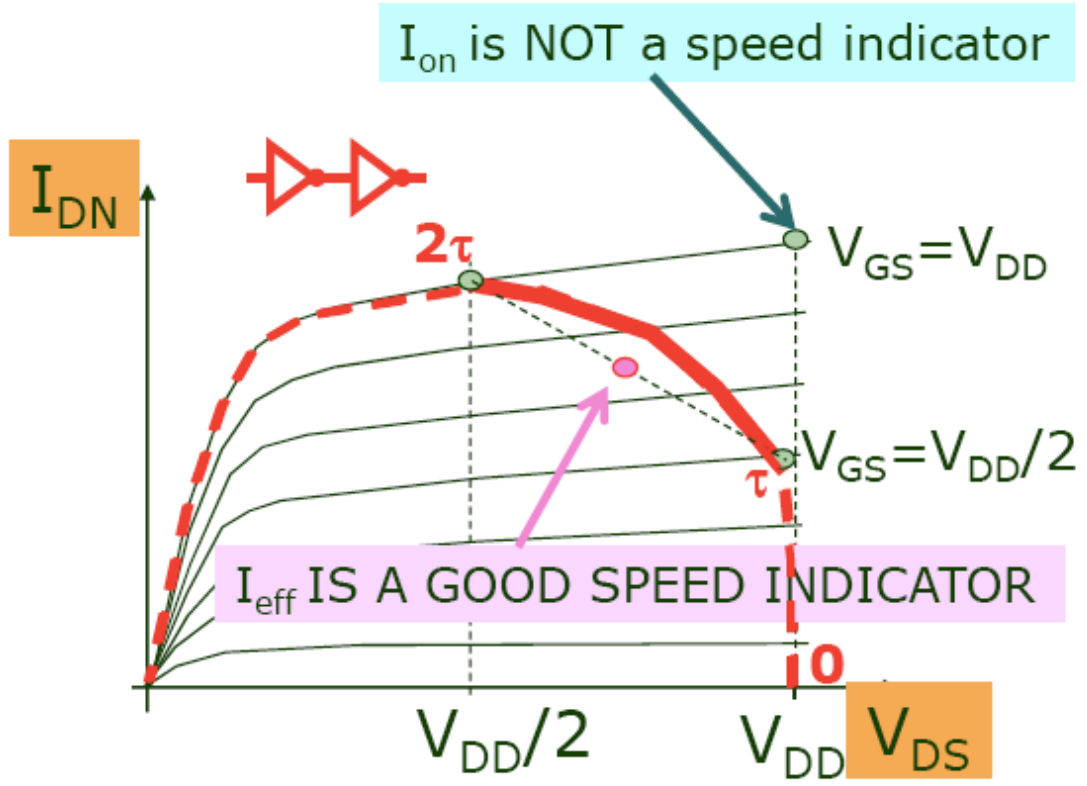
Trouble until new game changer is found.

Transistor performance metrics (T. Skotnicki)

SWITCHING TRAJECTORY WHEN CHARGING /DISCHARGING THE LOAD



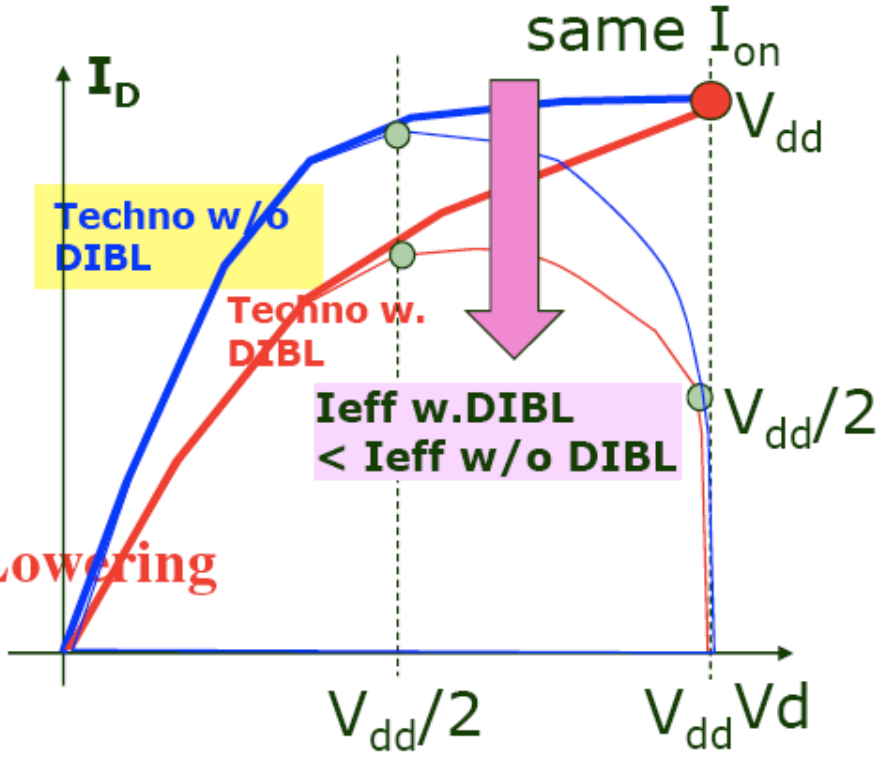
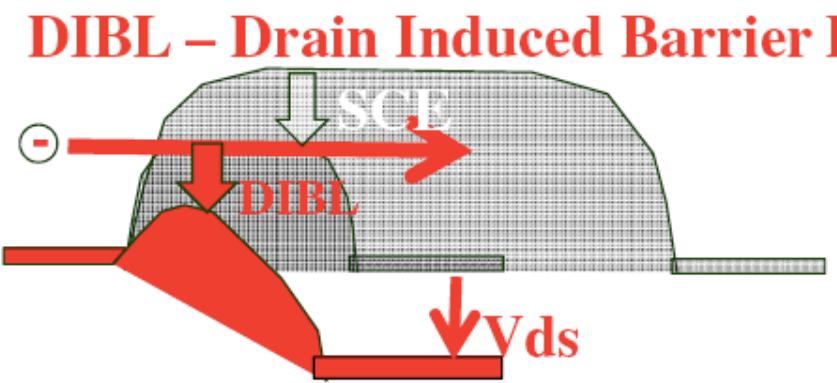
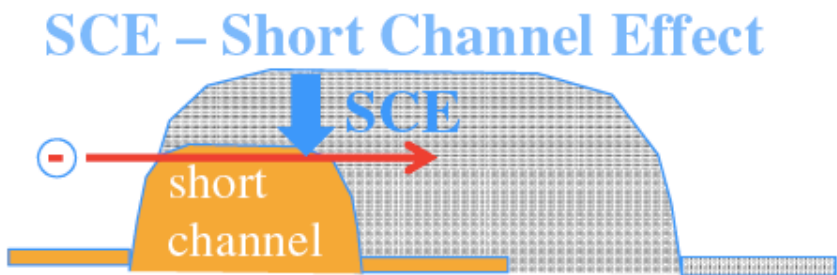
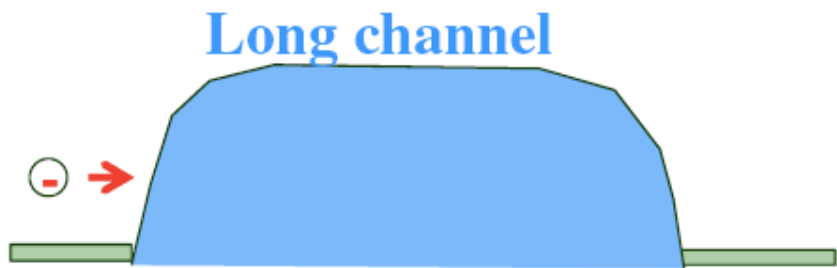
Example of CHARGING



$$I_{eff} = \frac{1}{2} \left[I \left(V_G = \frac{V_{dd}}{2}; V_D = V_{dd} \right) + I \left(V_G = V_{dd}; V_D = \frac{V_{dd}}{2} \right) \right]$$

Ref.: M.H. Na et al., IEDM 2002, p.121.

Importance of Drain Induced Barrier Lowering

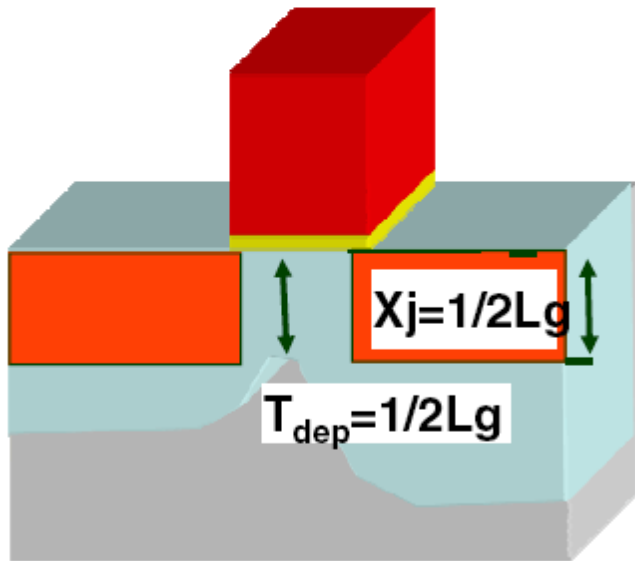


WHY DOES THE PLANAR MOSFET FAIL ?

(Ref.: T. Skotnicki, et al., *Electron Device Letters*, Vol 9, N° 3, 1998)



$$DIBL = 0.80 \frac{\epsilon_{Si}}{\epsilon_{ox}} \left(1 + \frac{X_j^2}{L_{el}^2} \right) \frac{T_{ox}}{L_{el}} \frac{T_{dep}}{L_{el}} V_{DS}$$

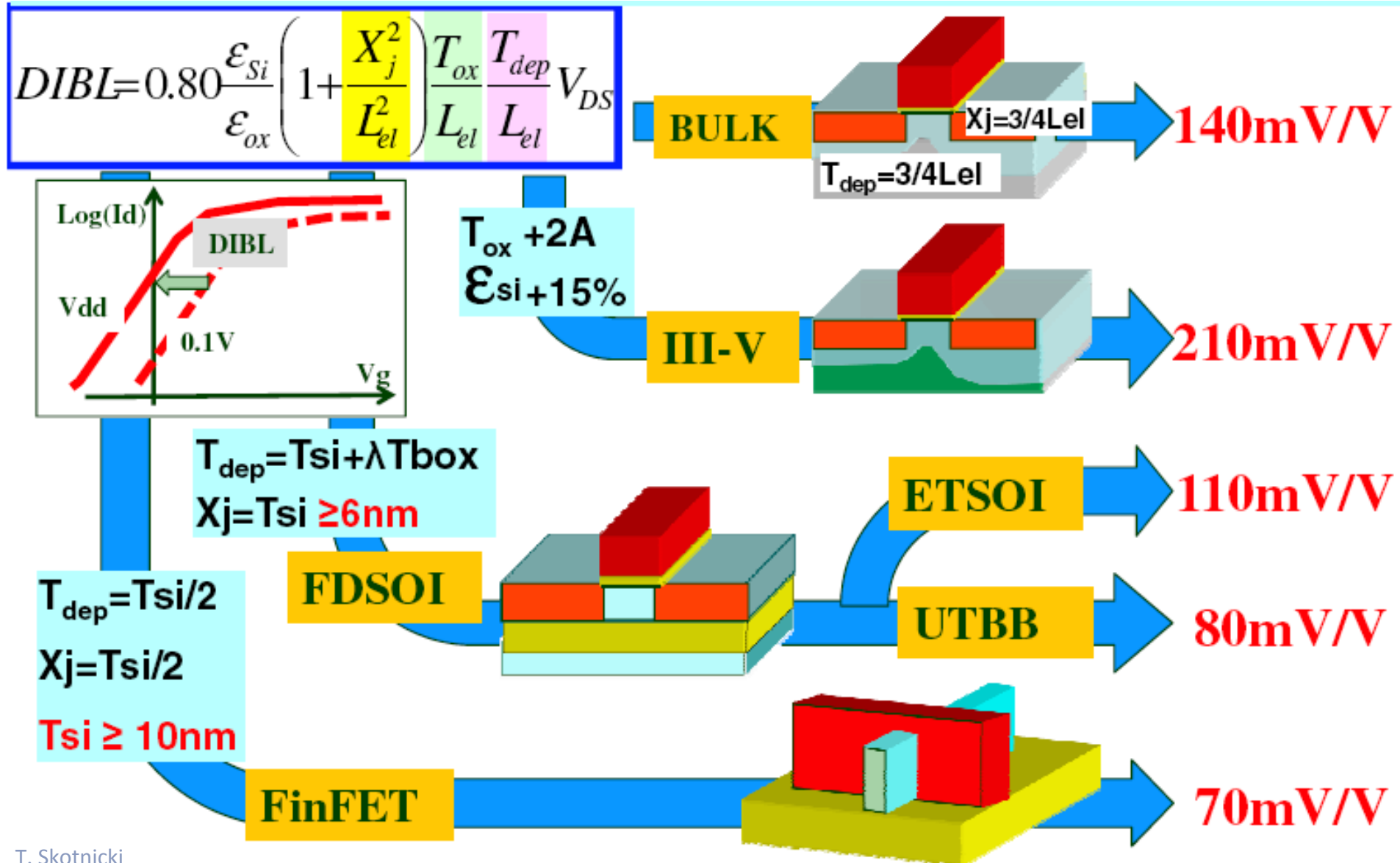


Suppose : $L_{el} = 2/3 L_g$

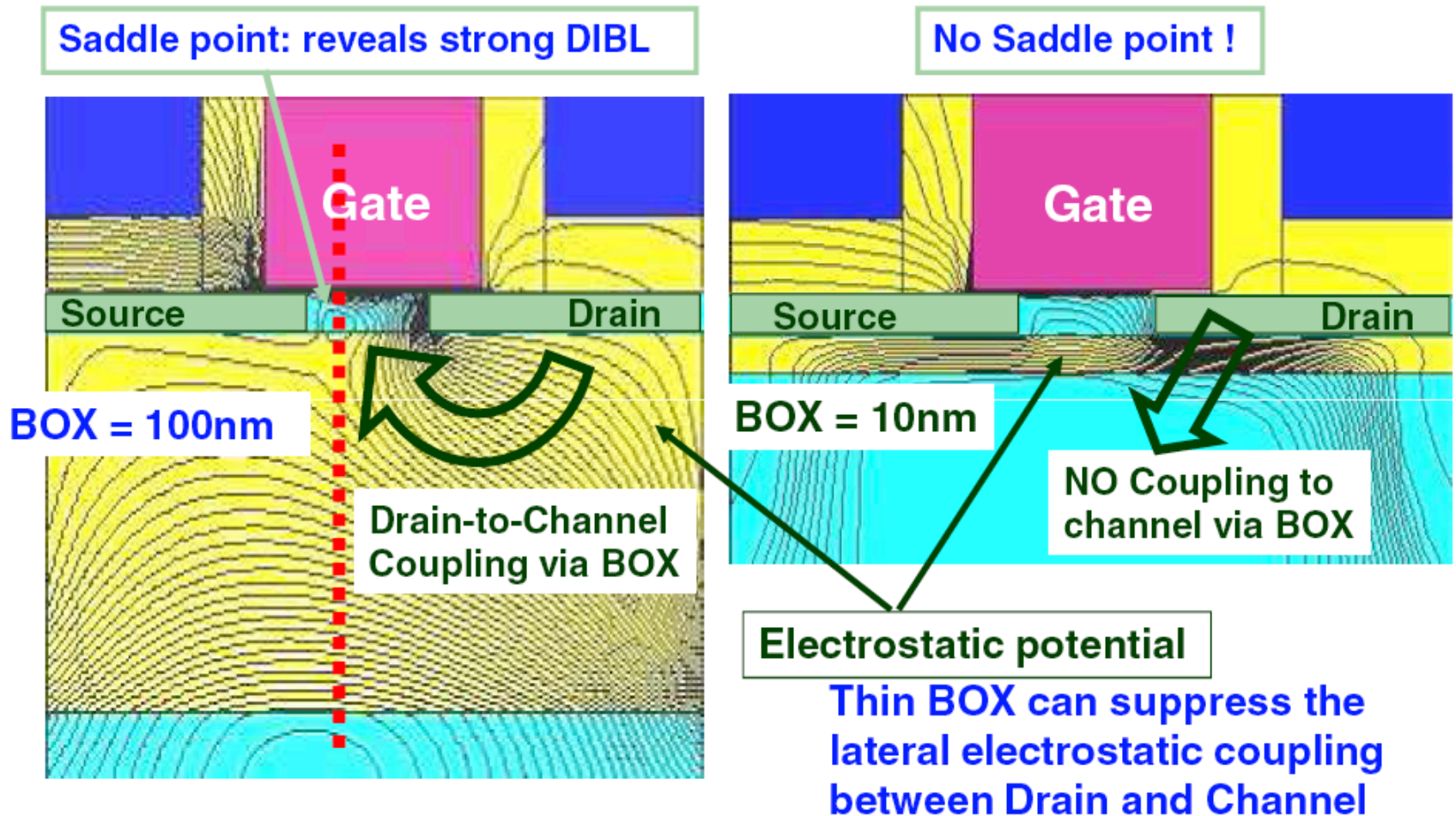
$$2.4 \left(1 + \frac{3^2}{4^2} \right) \frac{1}{20} \frac{3}{4} V = 140mV$$

REF.: T. Skotnicki, invited paper ESSDERC 2000, pp. 19-33, edit. Frontier Group

Who does better than bulk ? (T. Skotnicki)



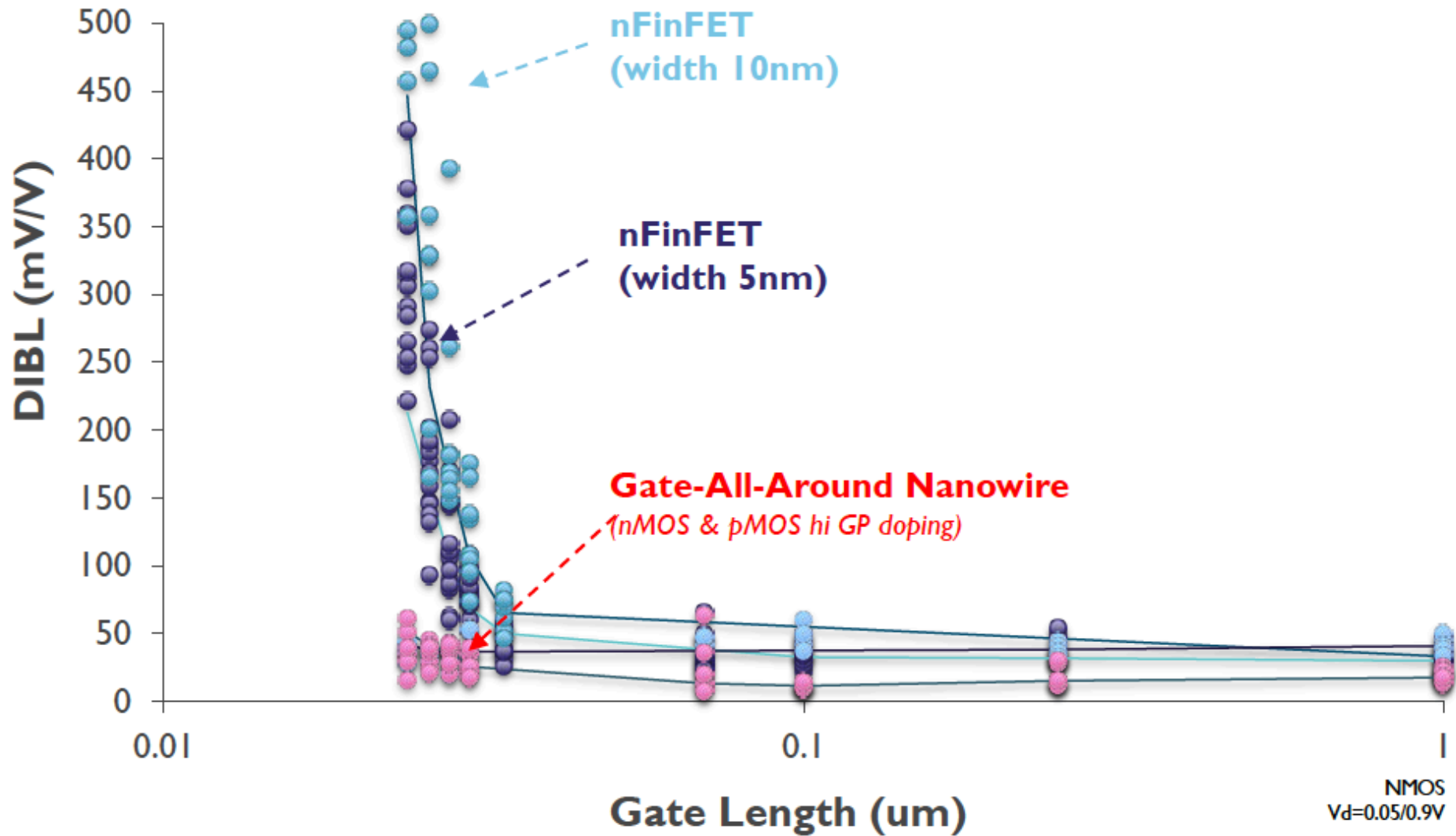
SOI: Why thin buried oxide ?

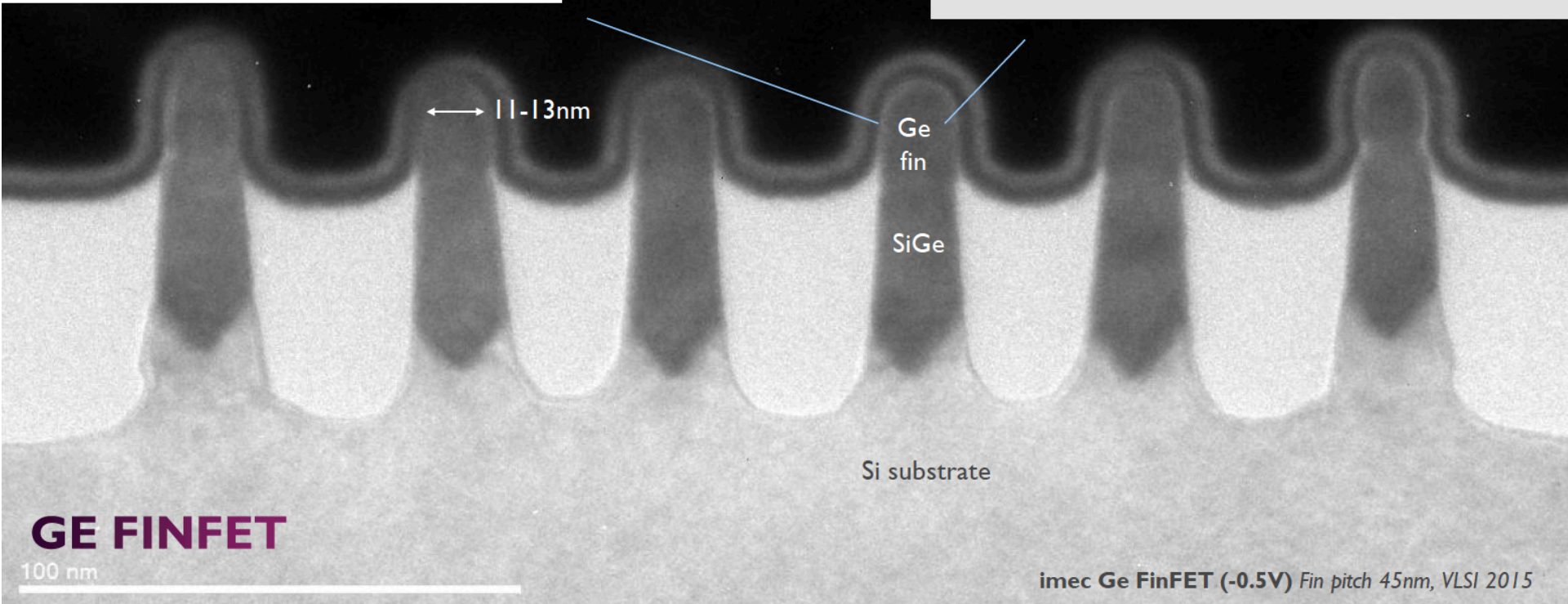
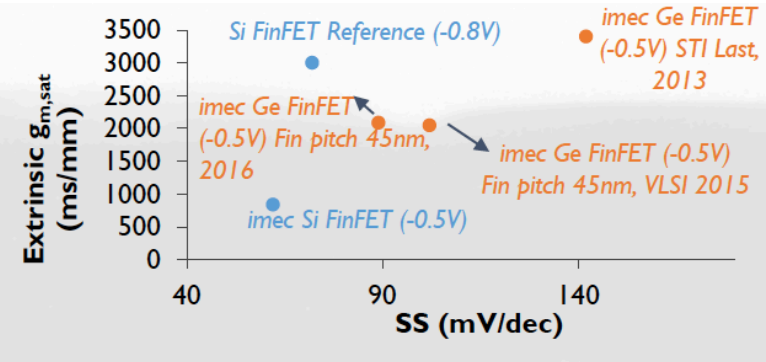
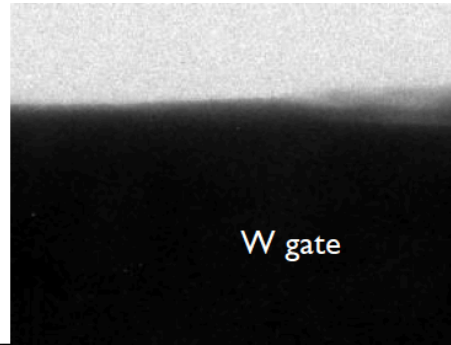
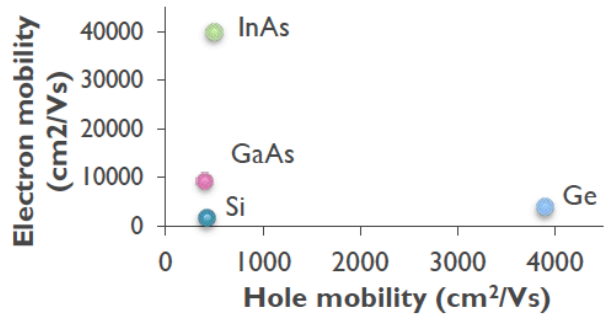


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Avoid drain-to-channel coupling to reduce Short Channel Effects and Drain Induced Barrier Lowering

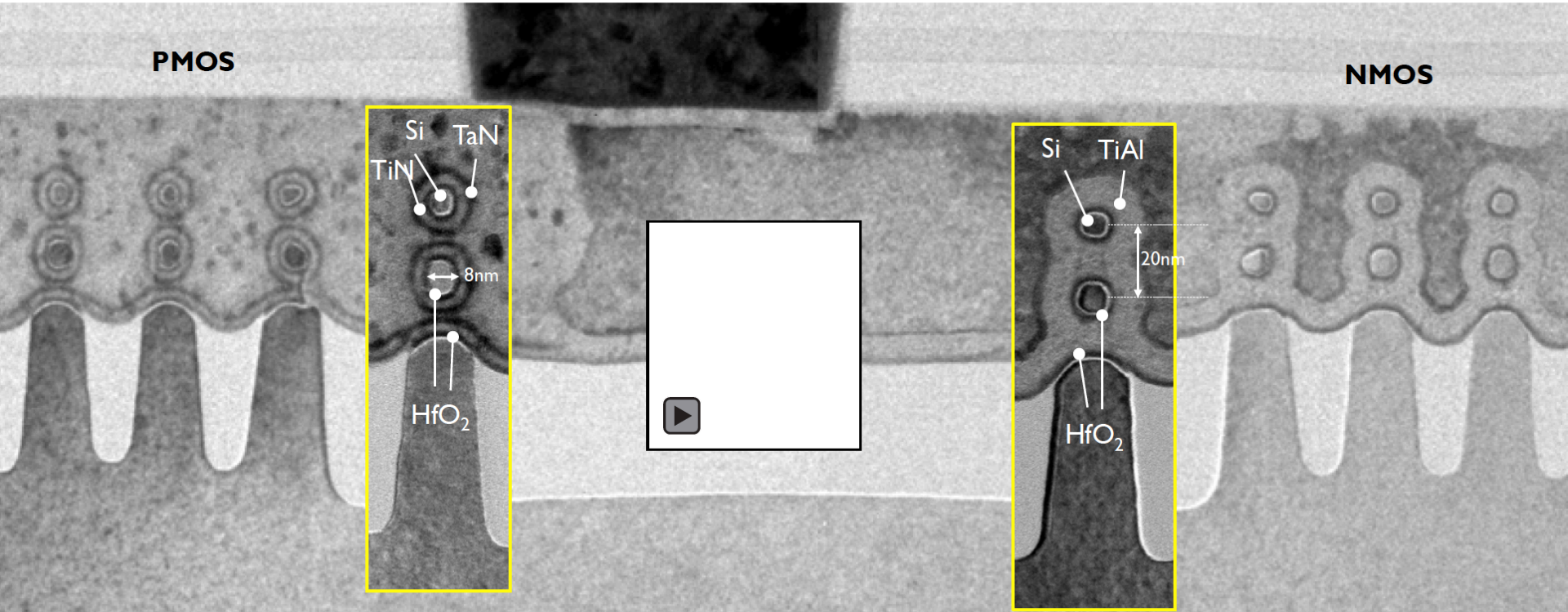
Transistor Electrostatics -> new devices





SI GATE-ALL-AROUND NANOWIRES (GAA)

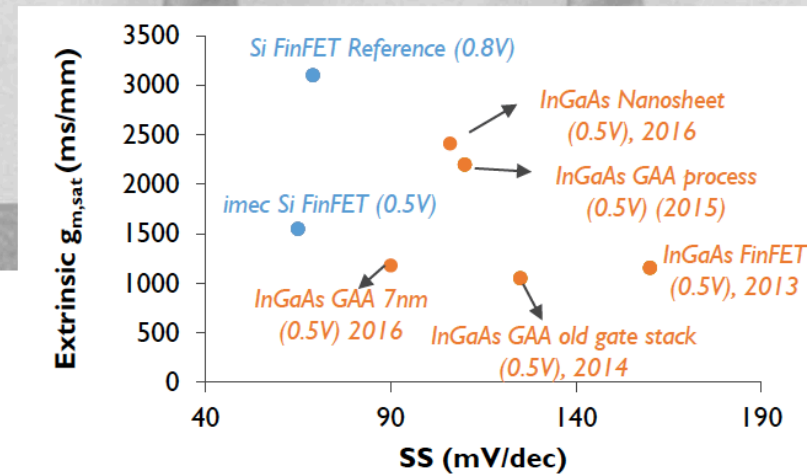
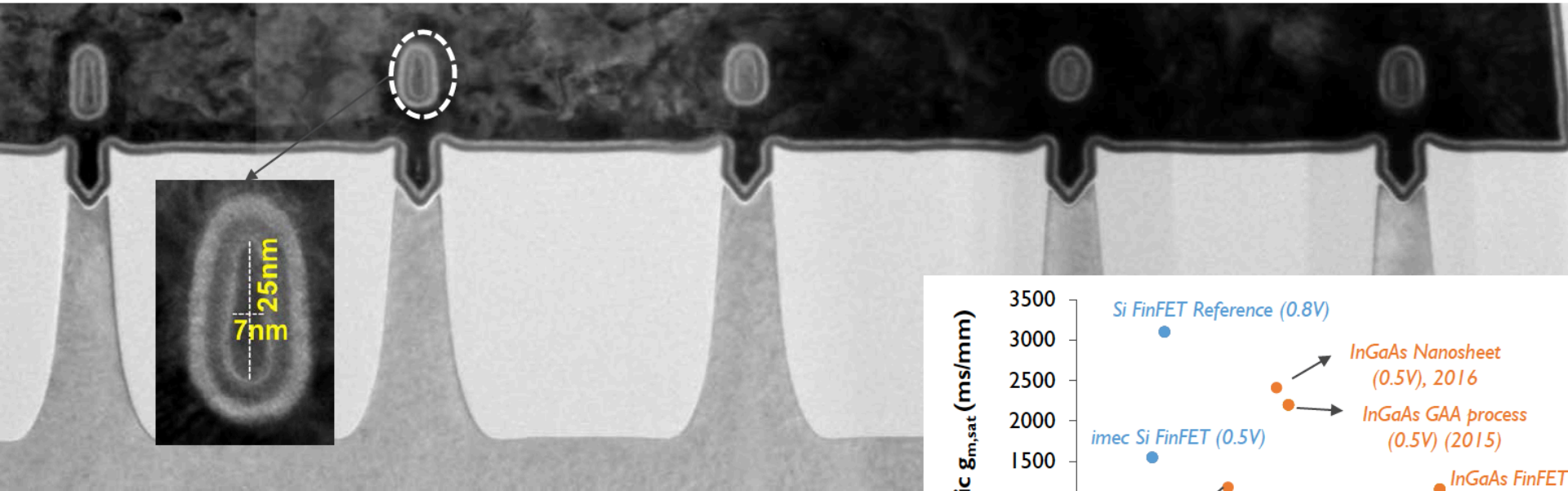
CMOS INTEGRATION



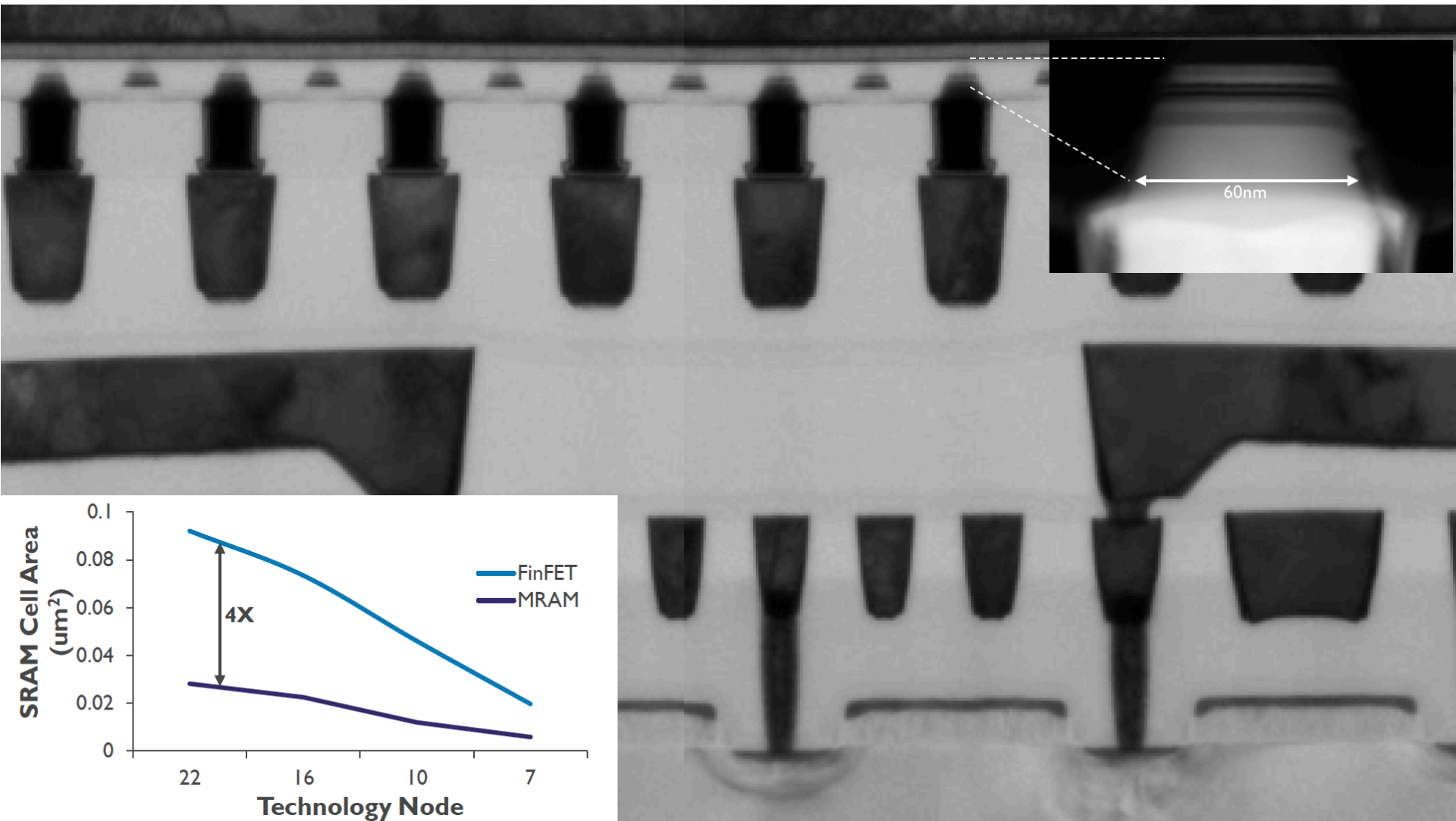
Transistor Electrostatics

III-V GATE-ALL-AROUND NANOWIRES (GAA) SUB-10NM DEVICES OBTAINED

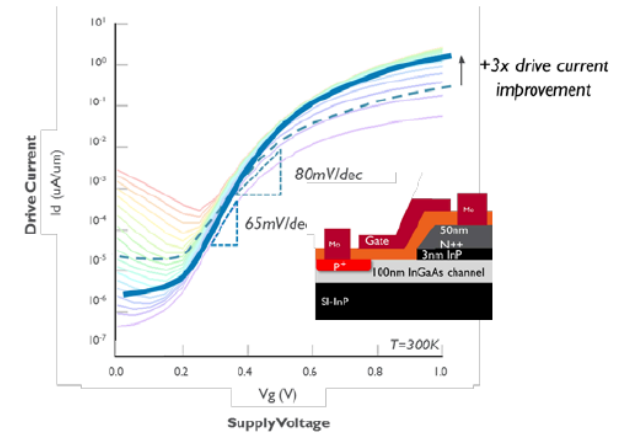
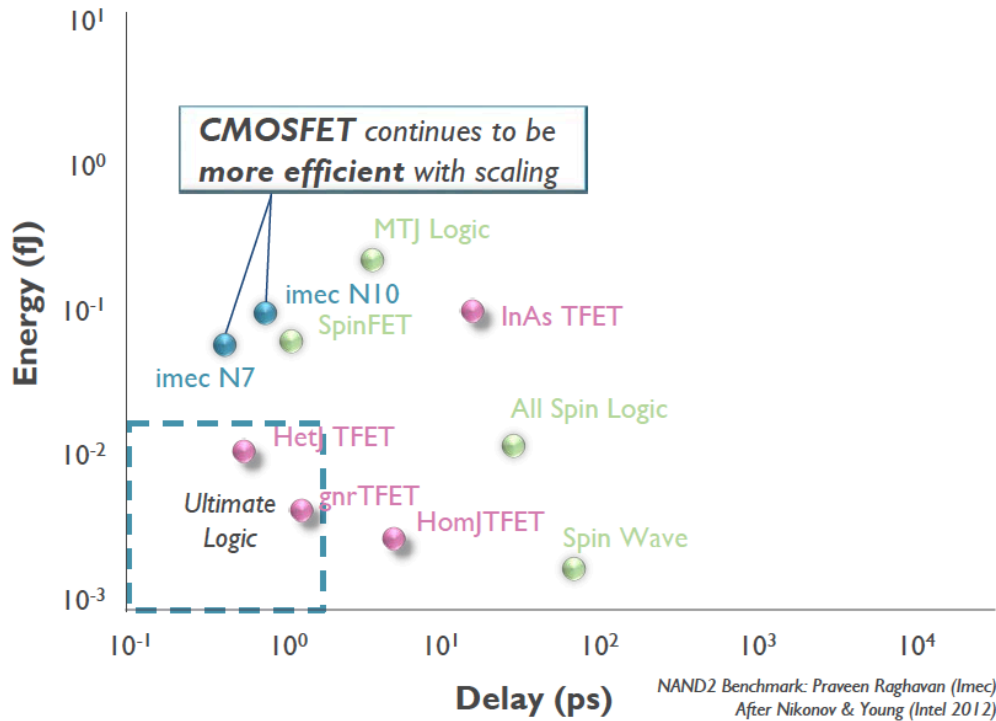
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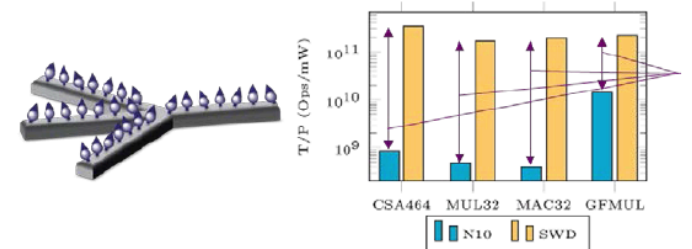
SRAM – MRAM offers density advantage



FINDING THE NEXT SWITCH

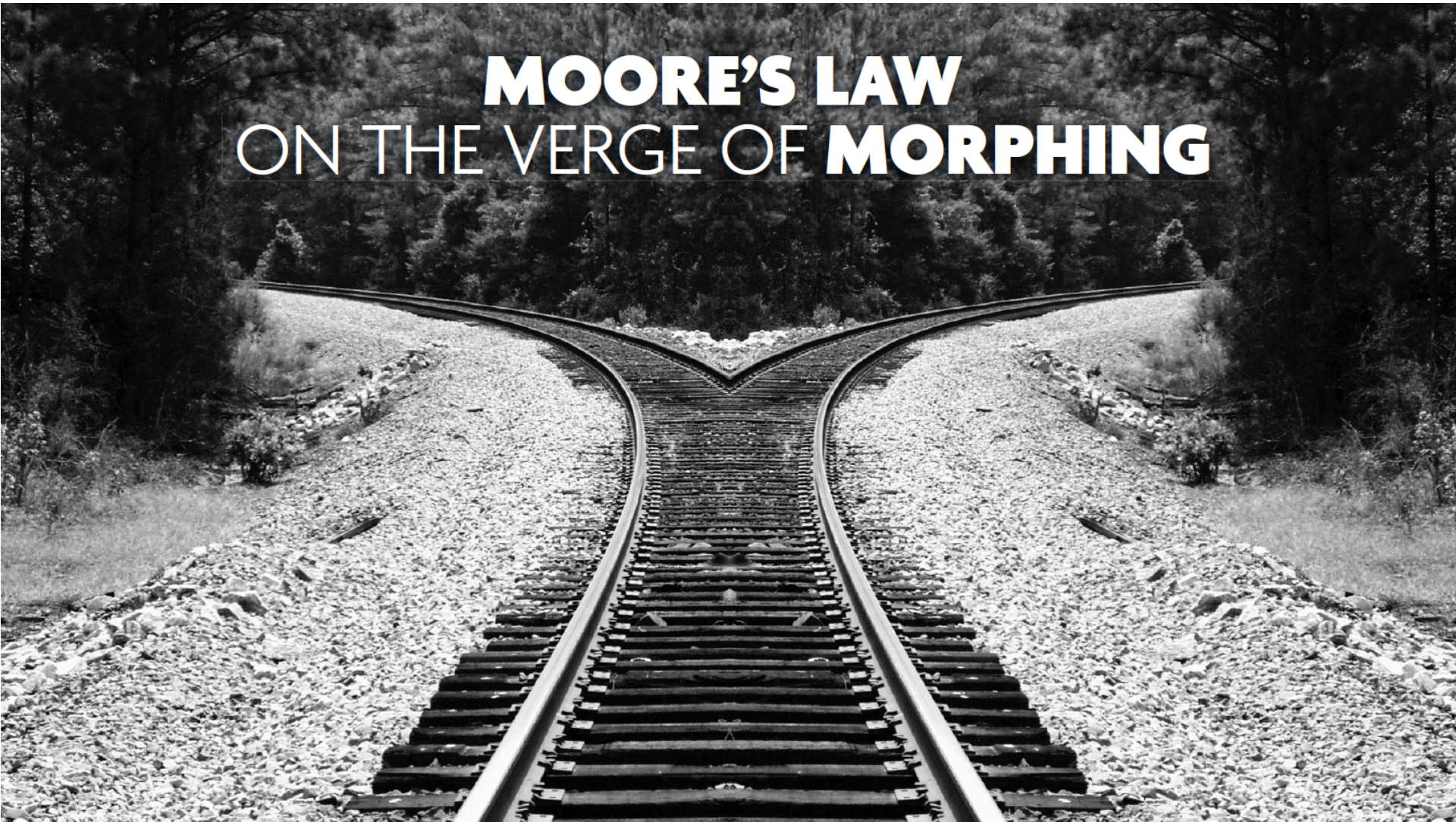


Tunnel FET can provide 3x drive current improvement

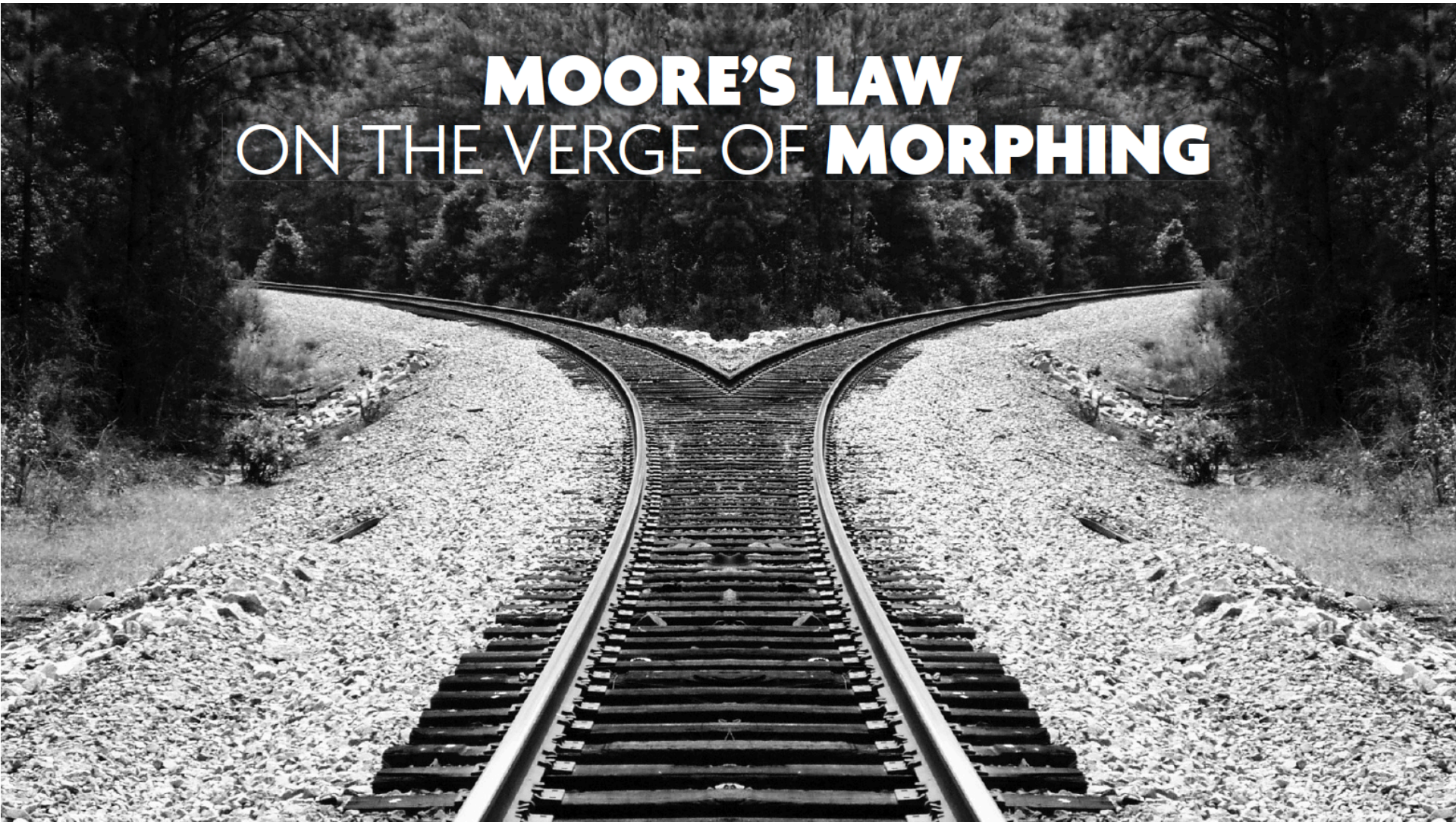


Spine Wave Majority Gates allow for 100x Energy efficiency improvement

MOORE'S LAW ON THE VERGE OF MORPHING



MOORE'S LAW ON THE VERGE OF MORPHING

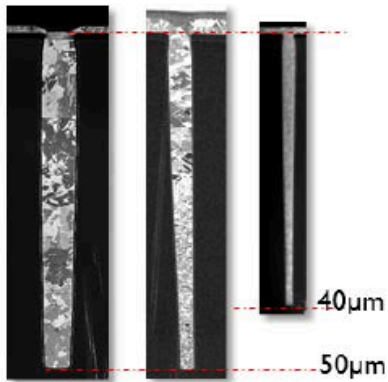


2D will saturate...

Use the third dimension

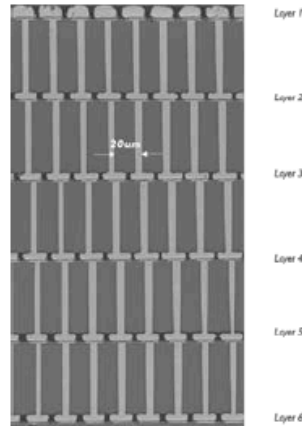


Through-Si-Via (TSV)



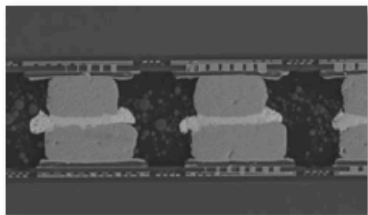
5 μm \varnothing , 50 μm deep AR 10:1
 3 μm \varnothing , 50 μm deep AR 17:1
 2 μm \varnothing , 40 μm deep AR 20:1

Multi-Layer Stacking (N=6)

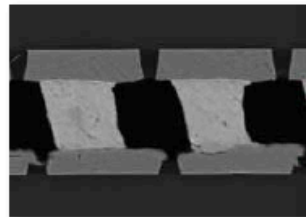


\Rightarrow 5x50 μm TSV
 \Rightarrow 20 μm pitch

Ubump scaling

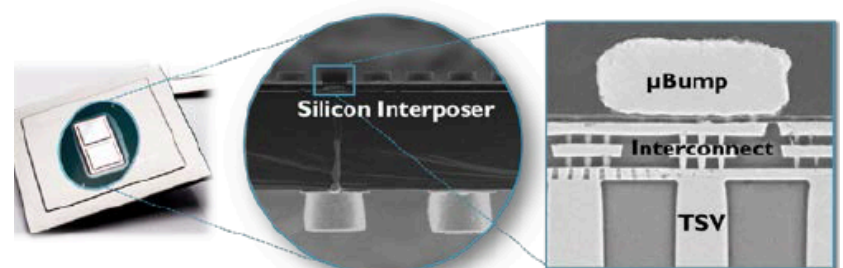
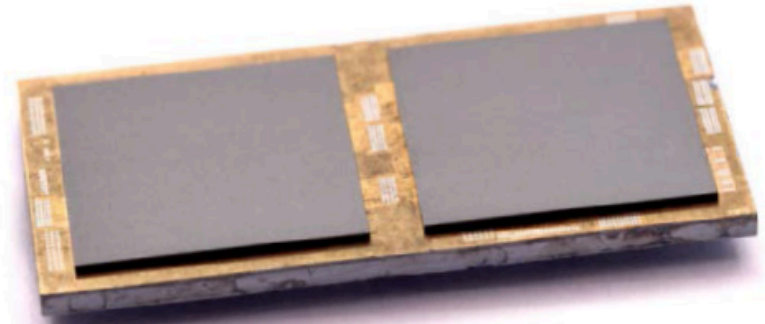


20 μm μbump pitch

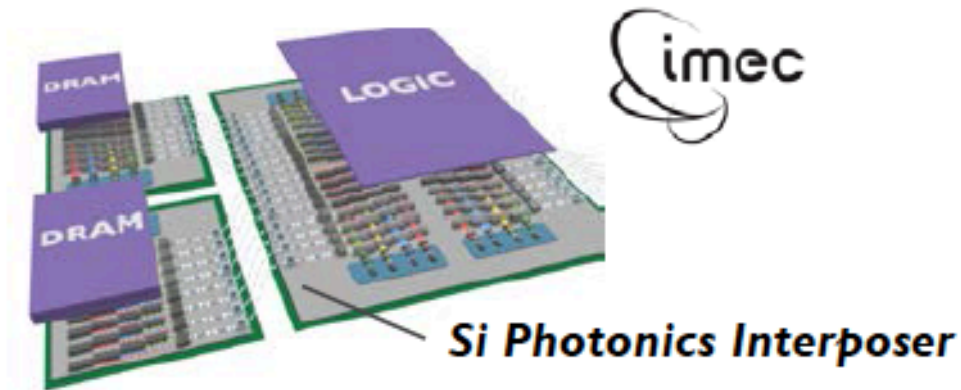


\Rightarrow 10 μm μbump pitch

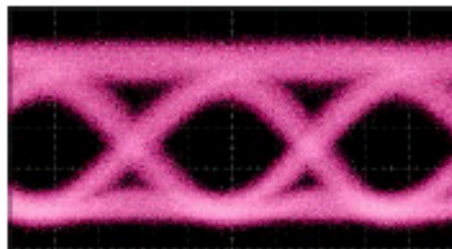
Si Interposer



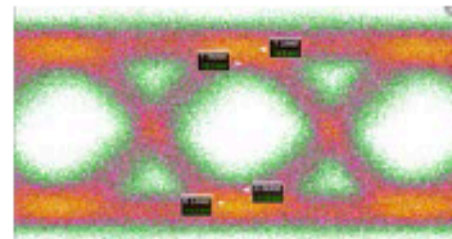
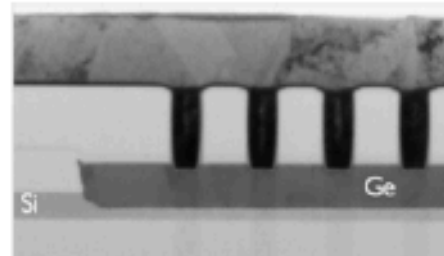
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50G Modulators

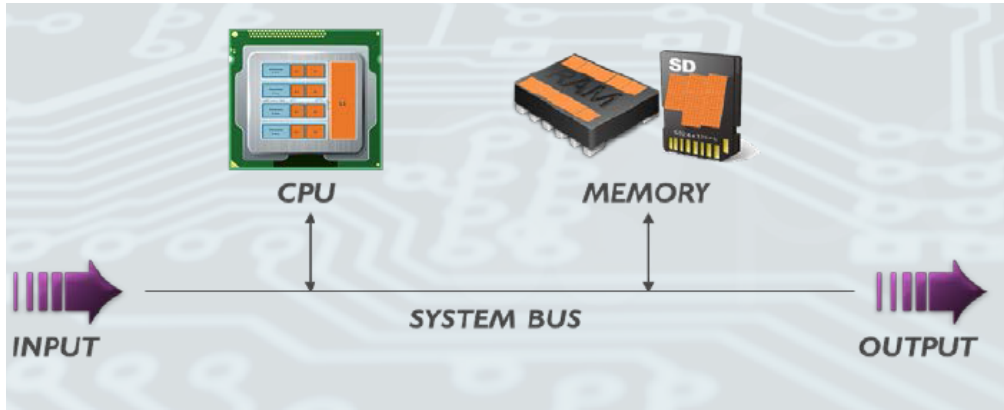


50G Photodetectors



50Gbps Eye Diagrams

Architectures



- Evolution to large number of CPU's operating in parallel
- Increase of connectivity



- Taking inspiration from neurons in the brain with synapses to 10-15000 other neurons. Mimic this interconnectivity in hardware
- Example RRAM

Technology enablers

A few examples

EUV now coming on-line (finally)

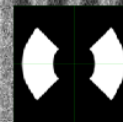
perspectives for cost and processing time savings on large die for some time to come

EUV PROCESS WINDOW

Y:49k

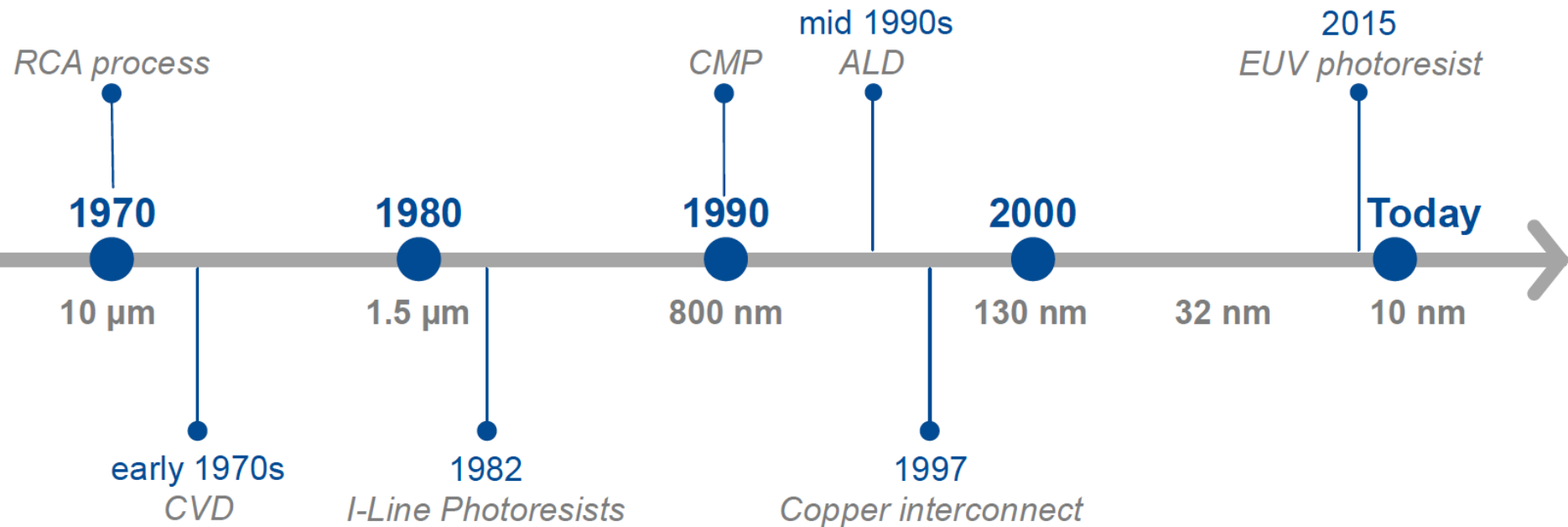


Vertical pitch: 36nm
Horizontal pitch: 33nm
Tip-to-Tip Vertical: 20nm
Tip-to-Tip Horizontal: 17nm
Dose: 47mJ/cm²

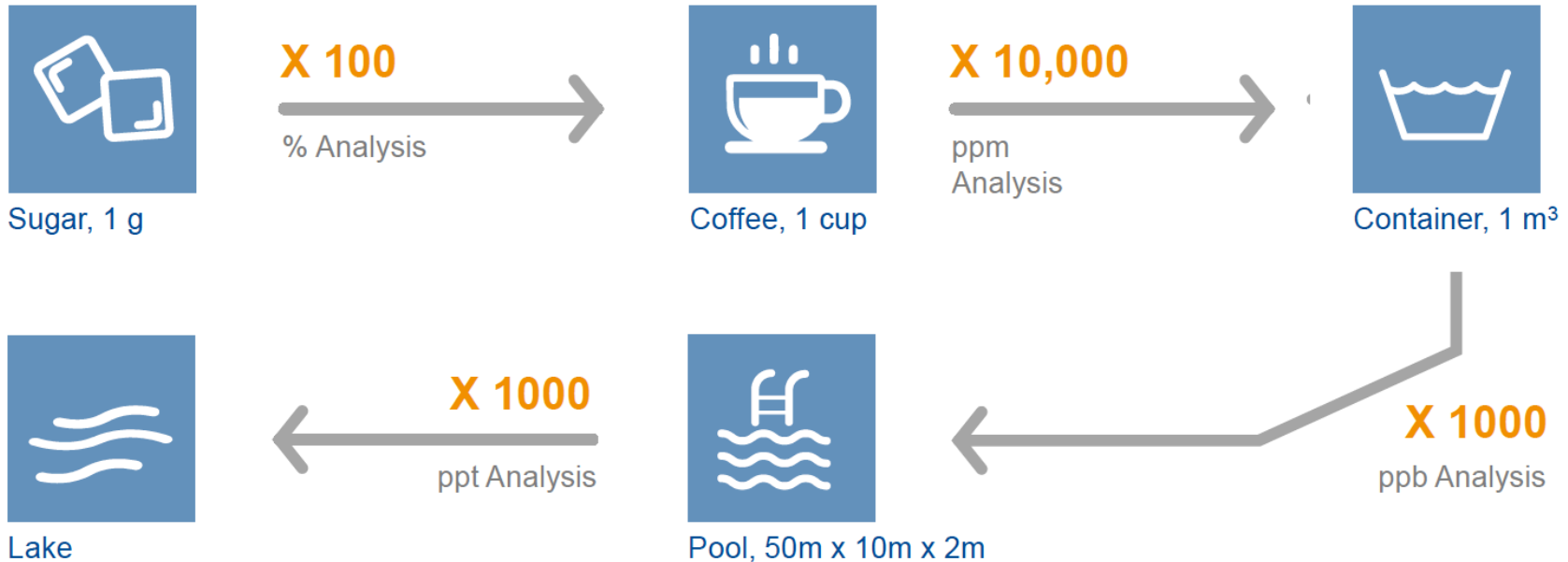


Pitch: 32nm
Dose: 34.5mJ/cm² (target <20mJ/cm²)
LWR: 4.5nm (target 3.2nm after litho)
CDU: +/-0.7nm 3s

Chemistry is a strong driver of the digital innovation

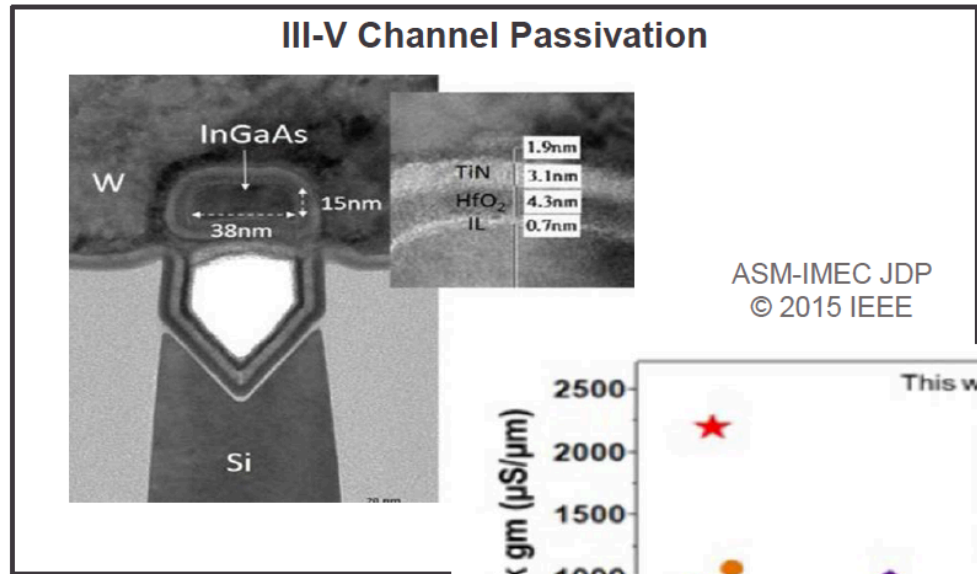
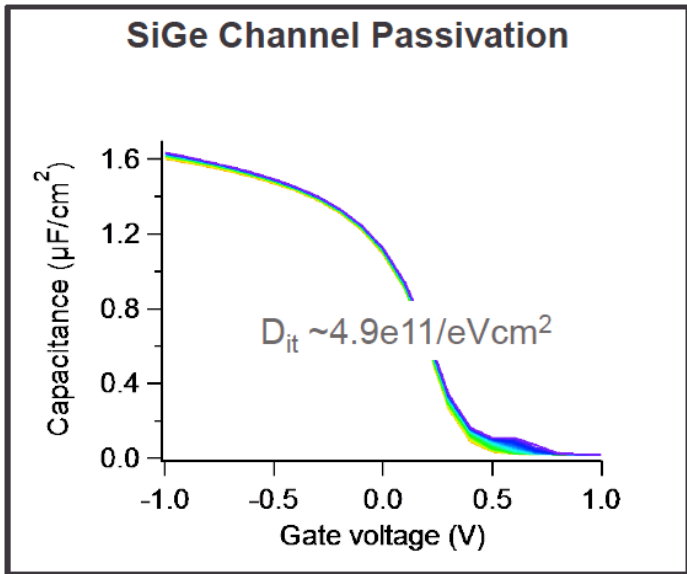


Defect-free preparation of nm-scale structures enabled by ultrapure chemicals

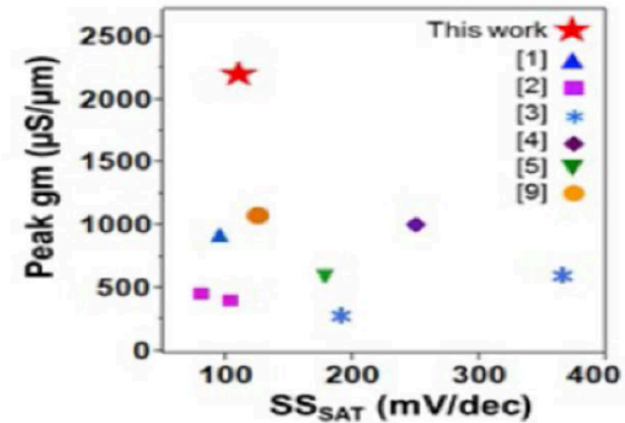


Top grades reach levels below 100 parts per trillion (ppt)

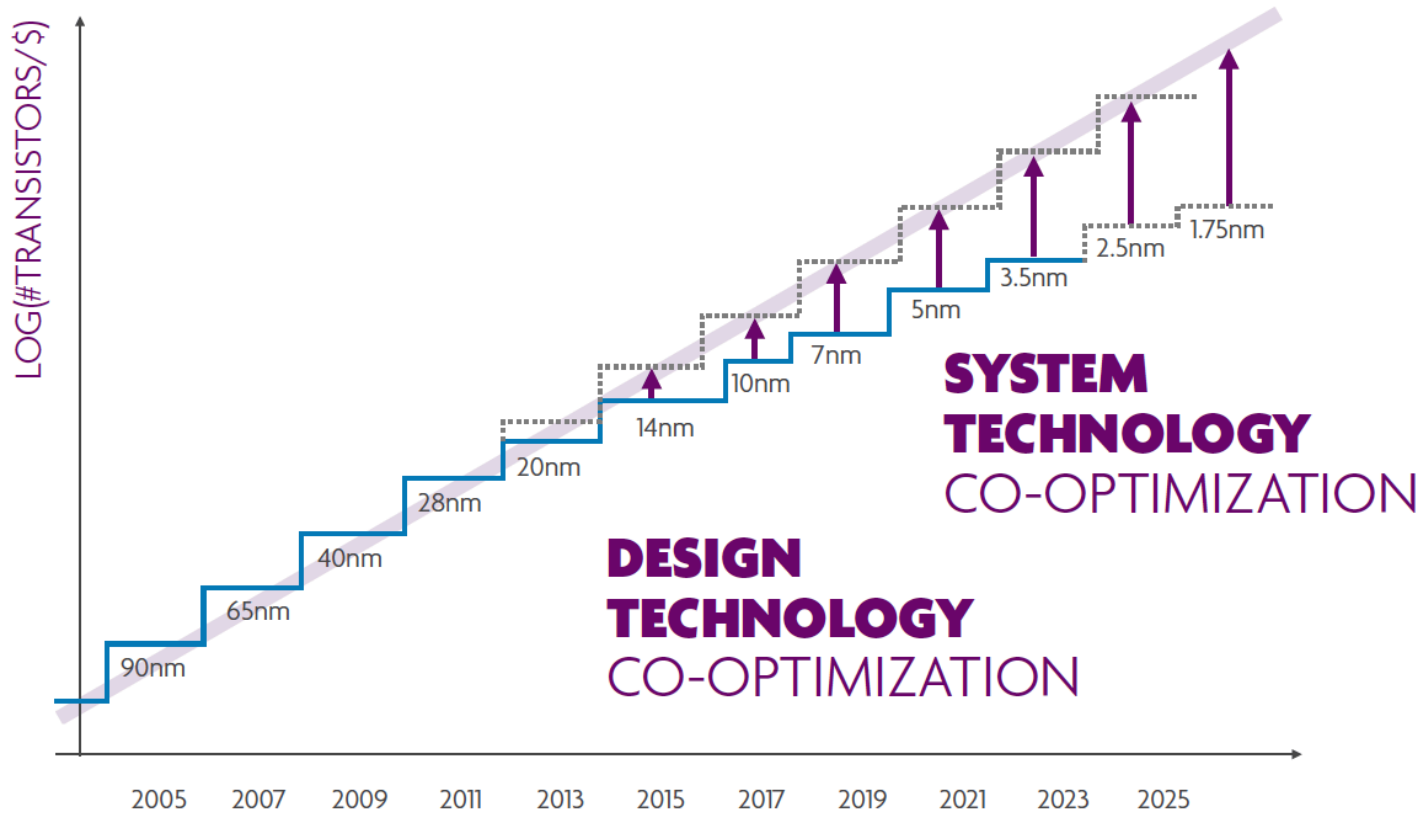
EXTENSION OF HFO2 ON NEW CHANNEL MATERIALS



- > ALD passivation of strained Si(50%)Ge achieves $D_{it} < 5e11/\text{eVcm}^2$ with HfO₂
- > ALD passivation on InGaAs nanowire shows record mobility with reasonable sub-threshold slope



Left: ASM
Right: IMEC, earlier published in N. Waldron, et. al., paper S31P01, Proc Int. Electron Devices Meeting (Washington DC, Dec. 7-9, 2015)



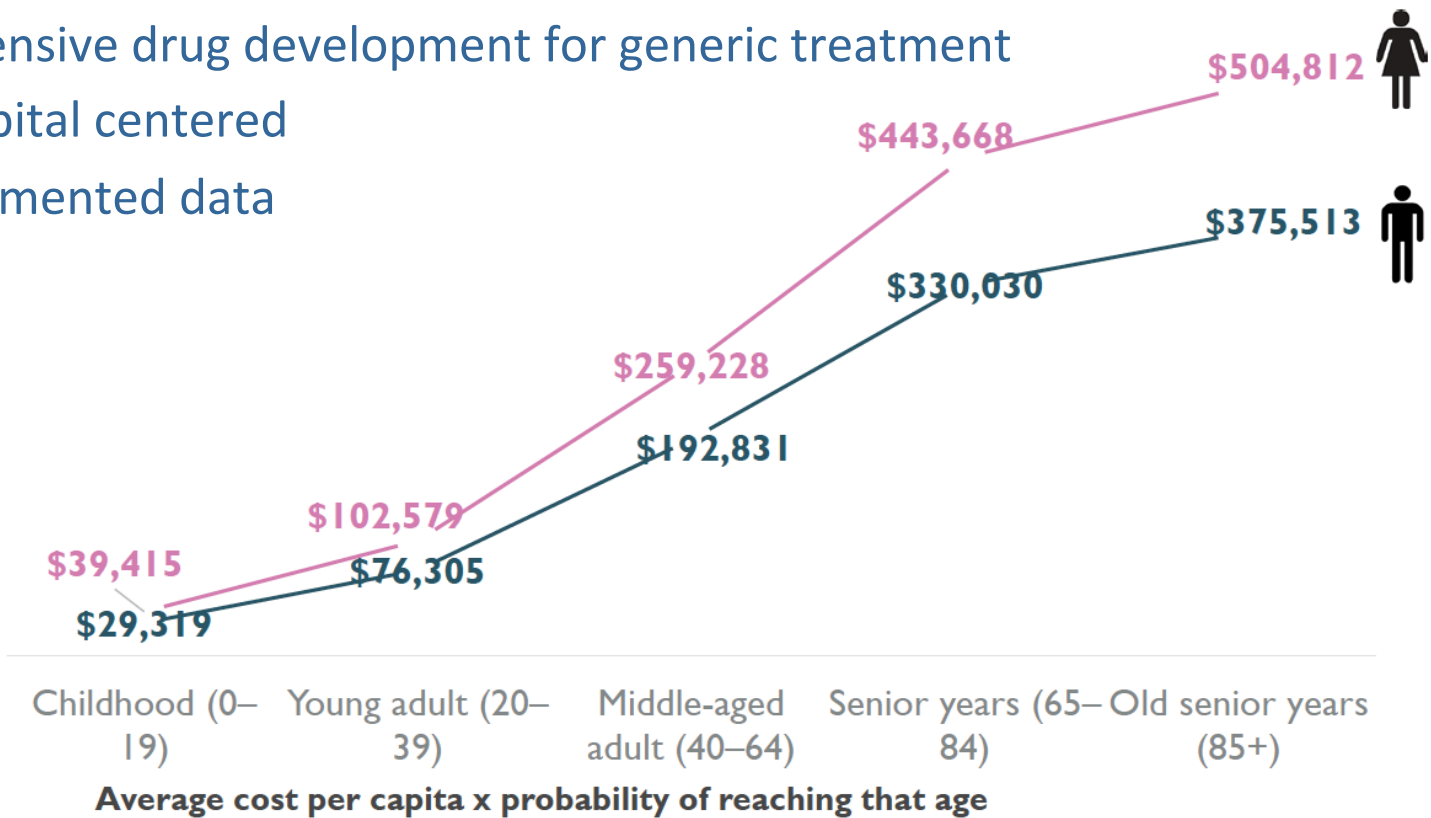
New applications and opportunities

- Healthcare towards precision medicine
- Automotive towards smart connected cars
- Energy
- Internet of Things

Precision Medicine

YOUR LIFETIME COST TABLE

- Expensive drug development for generic treatment
- Hospital centered
- Fragmented data



Based on:

'The Lifetime Distribution of Health Care Costs' report. Data 2000 adapted to 2015 by OECD health AAGR

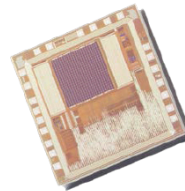
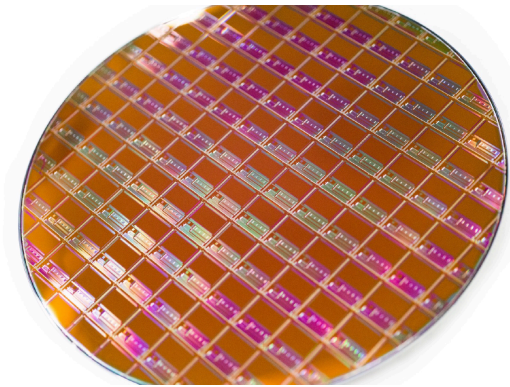
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Could do much better:

- Personalized drug fabrication on demand
- Remote monitoring/treatment
- Connected databases

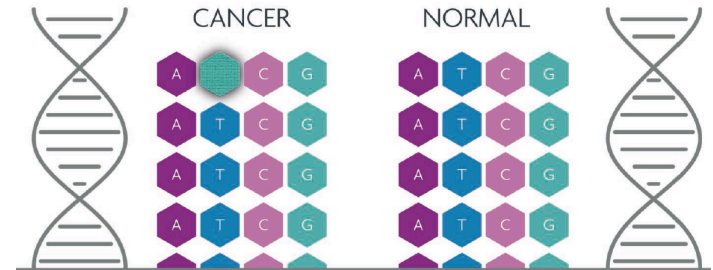
Healthcare towards precision medicine

3X SMALLER
7X FASTER
2X LOWER COST



Product launched on 1st of Oct 2015

... enabled by custom photonic chip developed at imec



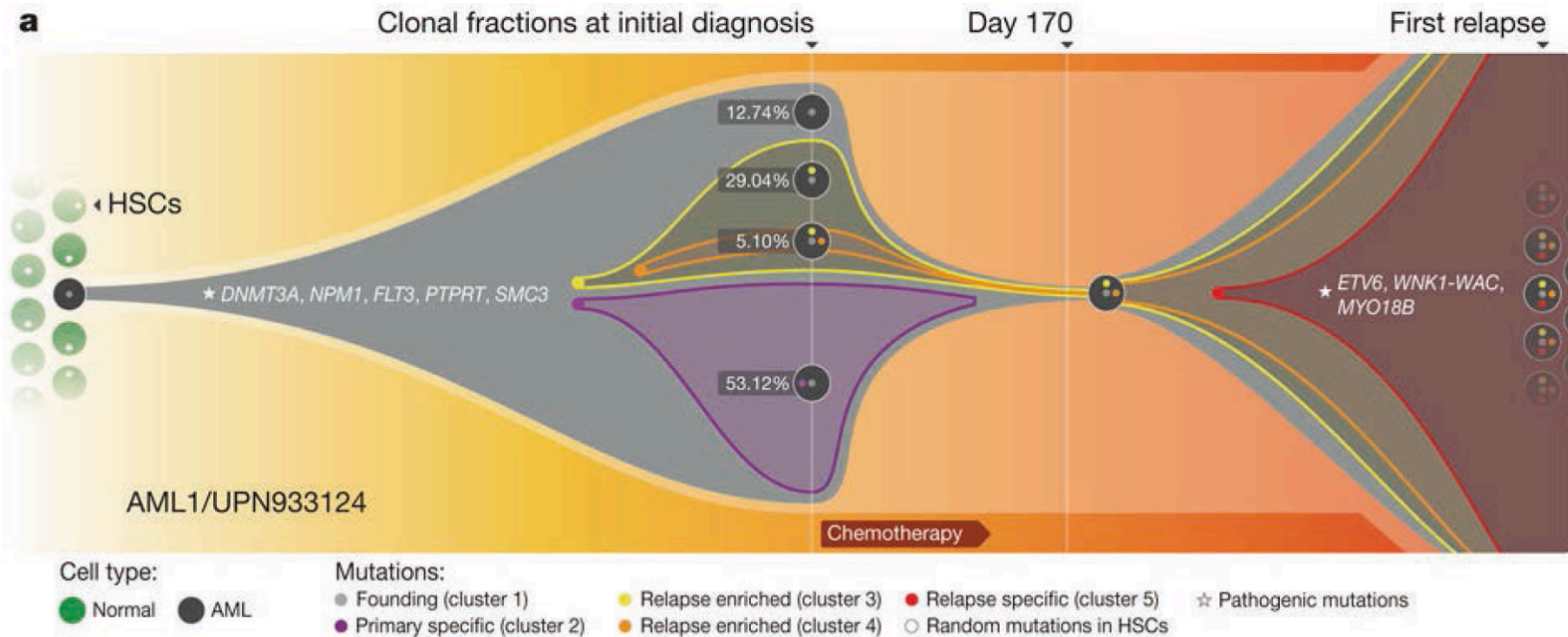
- DNA sequencing:
- From many weeks to a few days, from many millions \$ to a few thousand \$
- Silicon enables integration, mass production and lower cost
- Every person is unique:

From generic to specific treatment

DNA SEQUENCING IN THE CLINIC

EXAMPLE: RELAPSING LEUKEMIA CANCER PATIENT

DETAILED FOLLOW-UP OF AML LEUKEMIC PATIENTS USING TARGETED HIGH-THROUGHPUT, DEEP (590-FOLD) SEQUENCING DEMONSTRATE THAT RELAPSE IS ASSOCIATED WITH NEW MUTATIONS SHAPED BY THE CHEMOTHERAPY



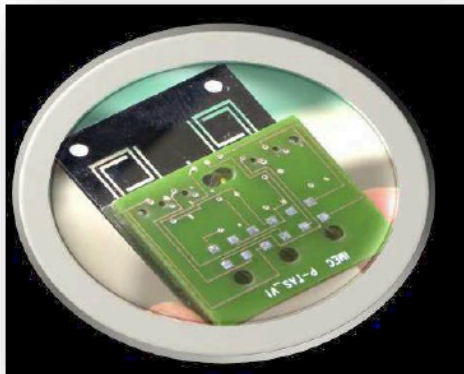
“CLONAL EVOLUTION IN RELAPSED ACUTE MYELOID LEUKAEMIA REVEALED BY WHOLE-GENOME SEQUENCING,” NATURE 481, 506-510 (2012)

IMEC TECHNOLOGY FORUM

Need **multiple** genome-sequencing

**TOTAL TIME TO SEQUENCE IS STILL 2 WEEKS AND PRODUCES ~ 300 Gbytes of data
ADVANCED CLINICAL CENTERS HAVE 0-5 SEQUENCING MACHINES**

FAST SAMPLE PREP



**MICROFLUIDIC CHIP
SOLUTIONS TO MAKE
SAMPLE PREPARATION
EFFICIENT**

FAST SEQUENCING



**CHIP SOLUTIONS TO READ
OUT HIGH THROUGHPUT
LONG READ SEQUENCES**

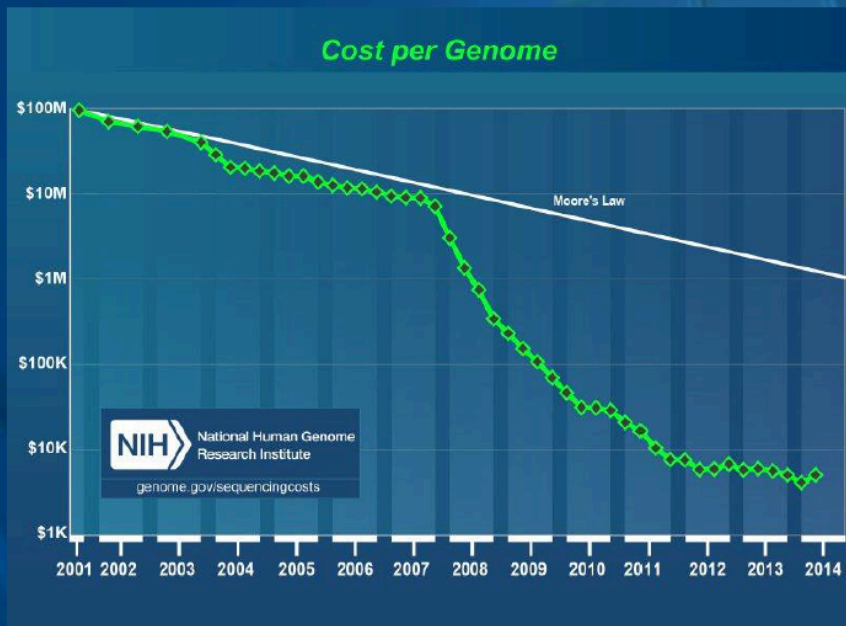
FAST DATA ANALYTICS



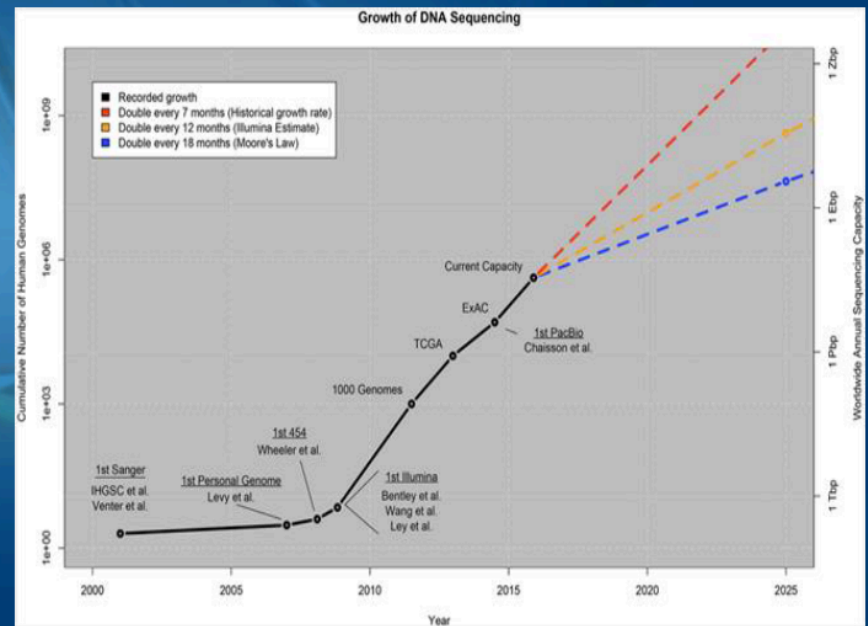
**HIGH PERFORMANCE
COMPUTING SOLUTIONS TO
MAKE SENSE OUT OF DATA**

TRENDS

Cost is dropping

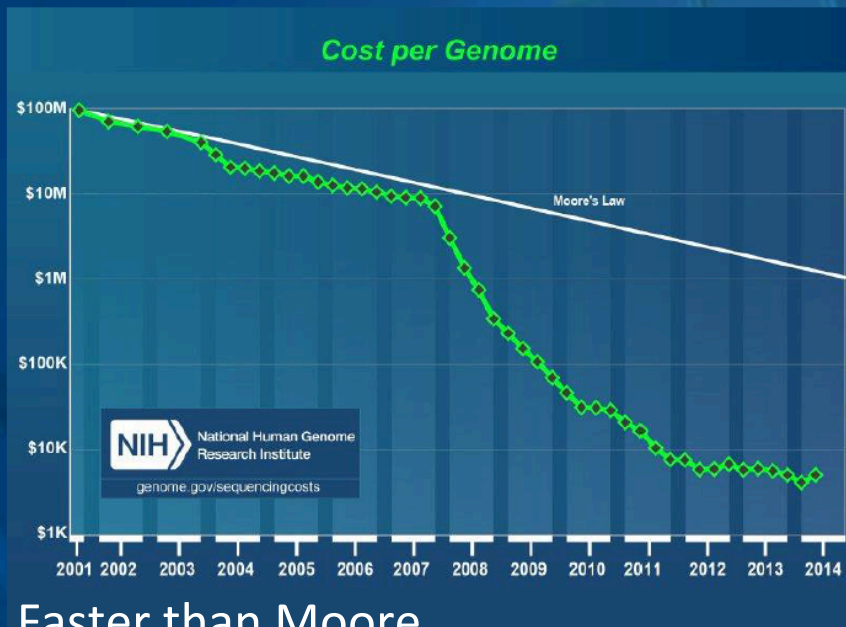


Data is Growing



TRENDS

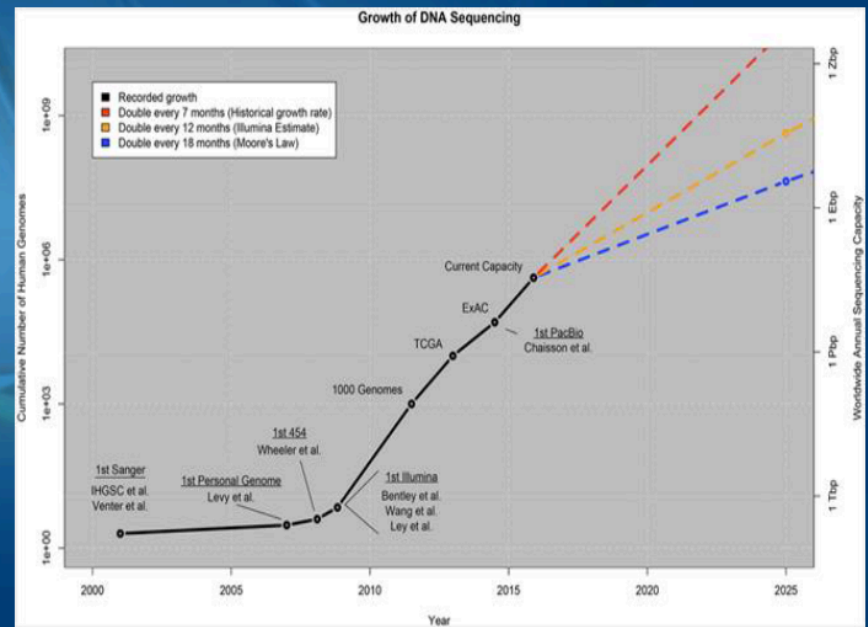
Cost is dropping



Faster than Moore...

thanks to Moore !

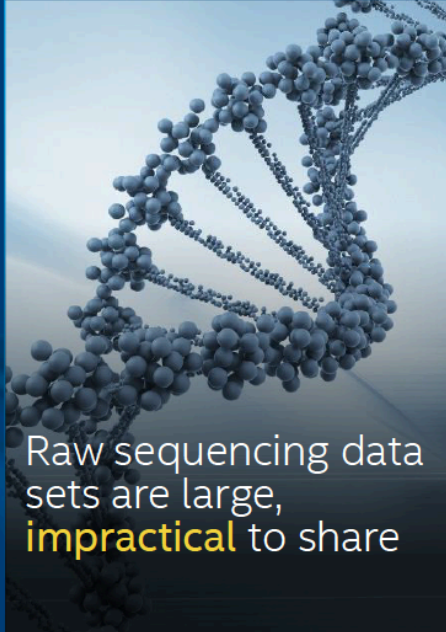
Data is Growing



MAIN COMPUTING CHALLENGES

Size

Data management



Raw sequencing data sets are large, **impractical** to share

Speed

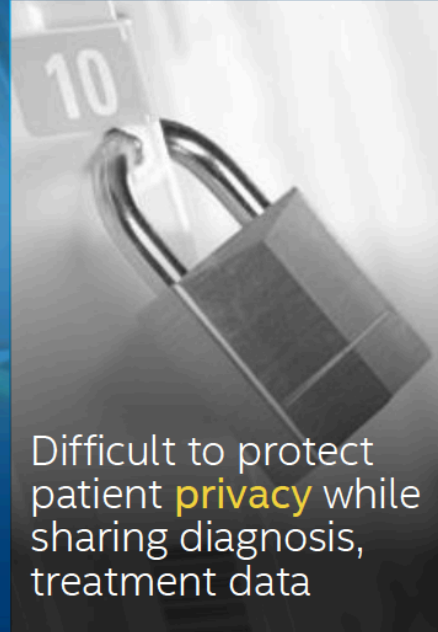
Workflow efficiency



Critical diagnosis, treatment pipelines can take **weeks**

Secure sharing

Privacy protection



Difficult to protect patient **privacy** while sharing diagnosis, treatment data

Scalability

Increasing requirements



Genomic sequencing **outpacing** capabilities of current architectures

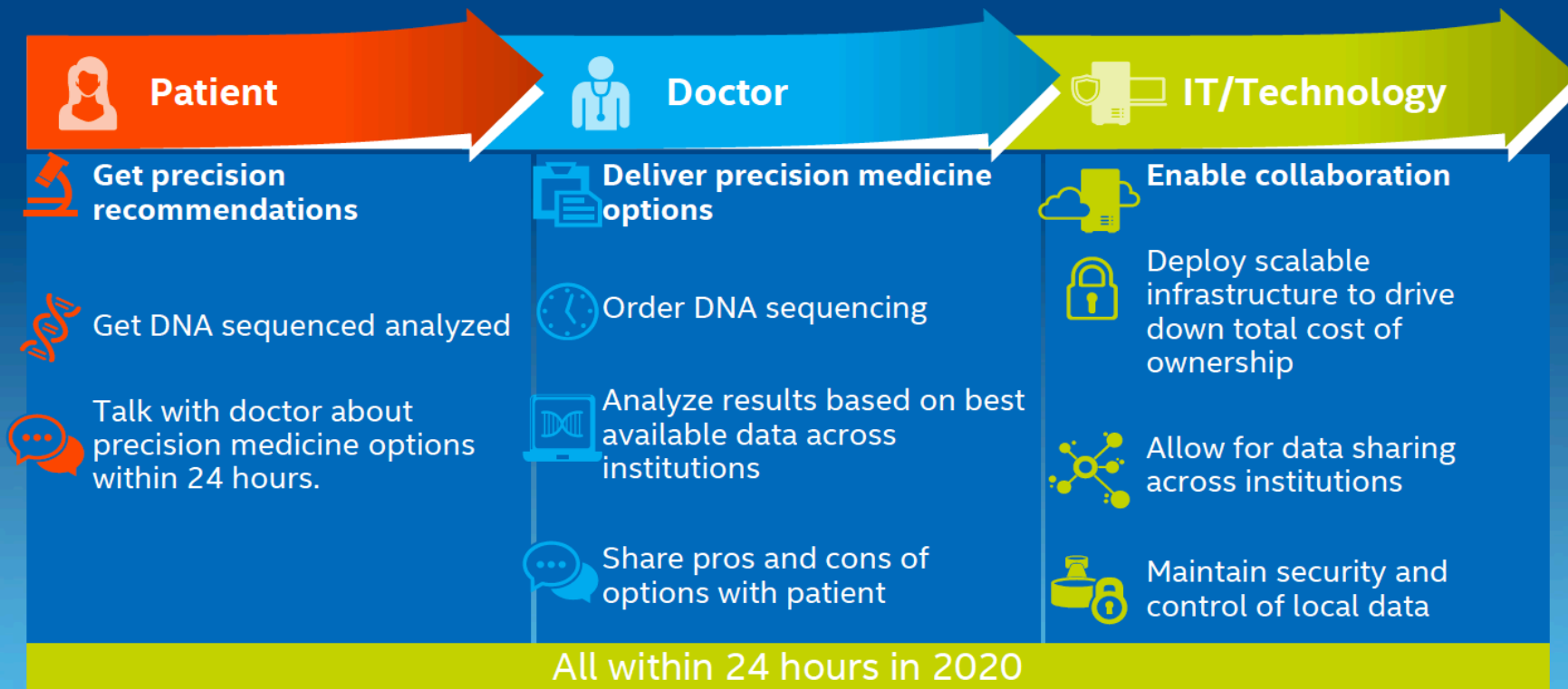


4 % of data currently in research

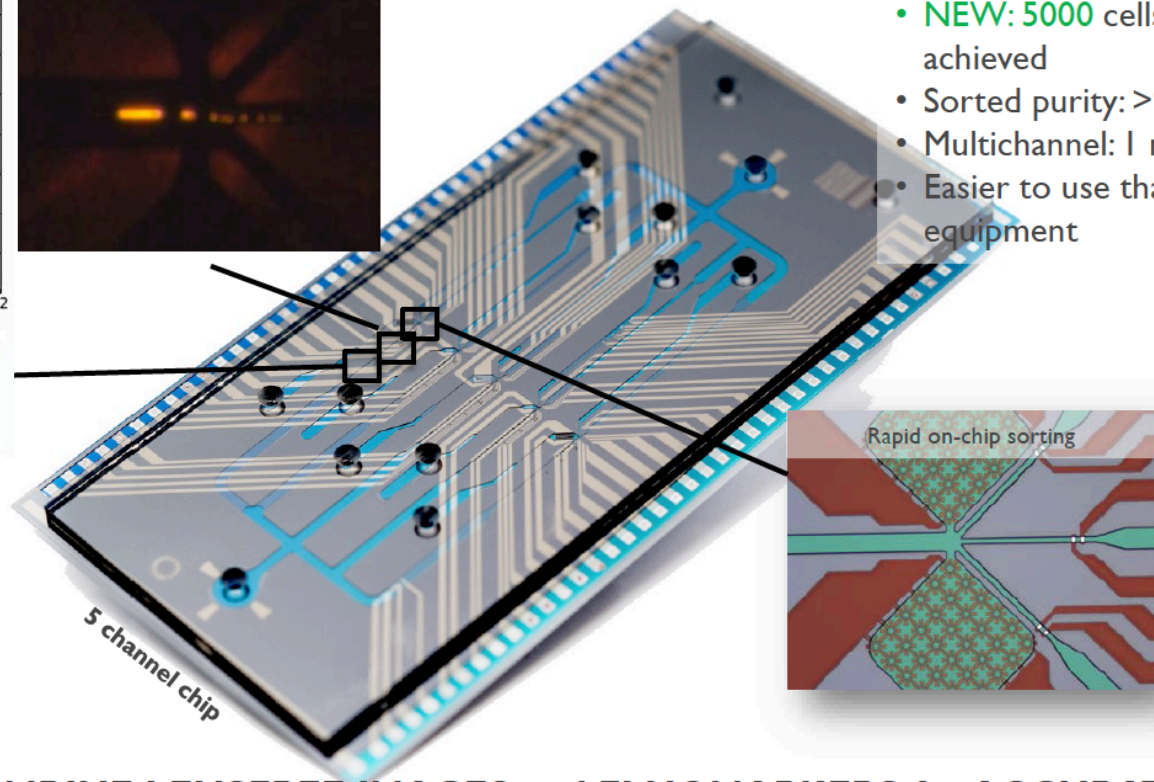
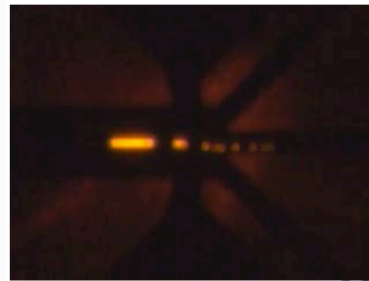
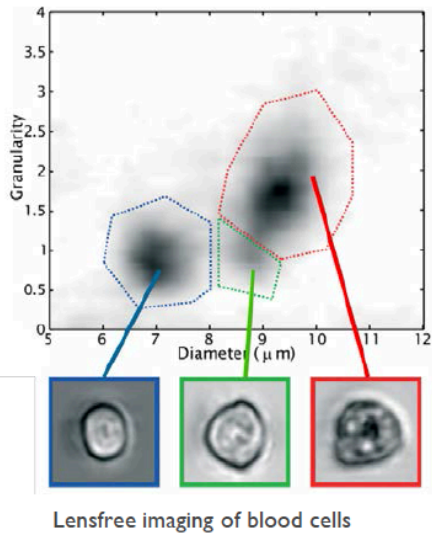
96 % of data stuck in institutions

- Too large to move
- Protected

ALL-IN-ONE-DAY GOAL - A CHALLENGE FOR MEDICAL AND TECH INDUSTRIES

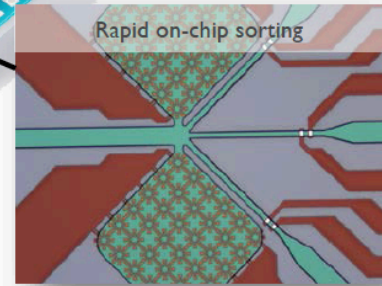


IMEC KEY TECHNOLOGY FOR CANCER DIAGNOSTICS



Specifications:

- **NEW: 5000** cells/sec/channel achieved
- Sorted purity: >98%
- Multichannel: 1 mm² / channel
- Easier to use than conventional equipment



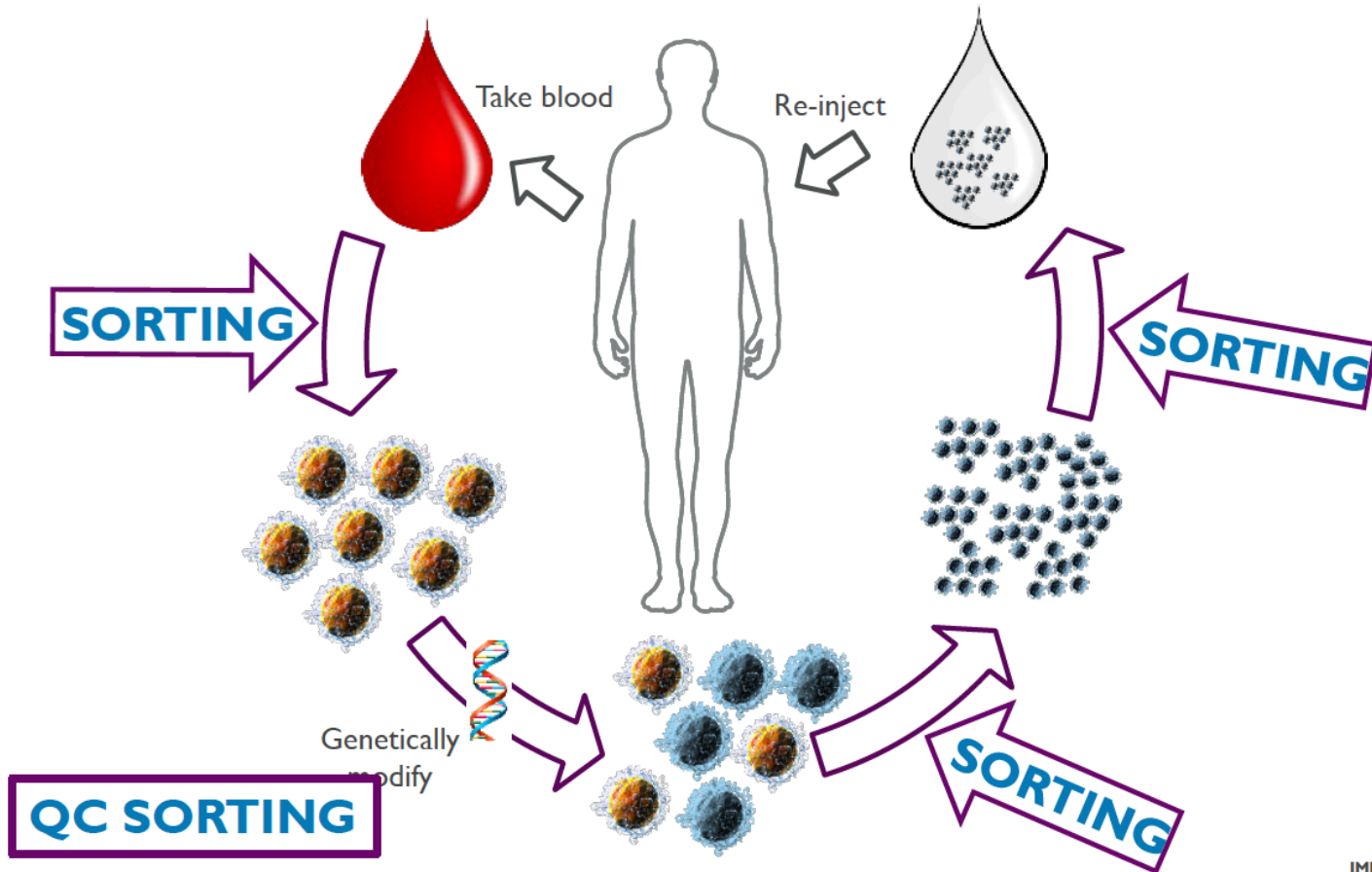
NEW: COMBINE LENSFREE IMAGES and FLUOMARKERS for ACCURATE detection of RARE CELLS

TECHNOLOGY FORUM

9 out of 10 cancer cells can be detected from the blood

CELL BASED IMMUNOTHERAPY

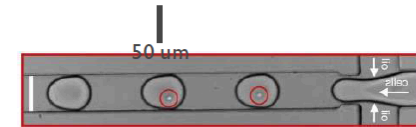
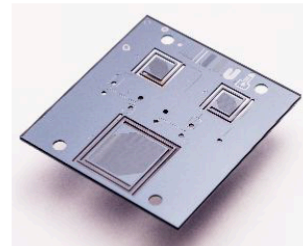
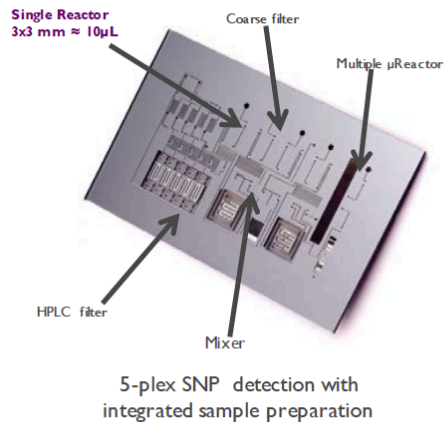
FIGHTING DISEASE WITH OWN IMMUNE SYSTEM



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Micro-machined sorting chips can **accelerate the process** to within practical timelines and **make it affordable**.

AUTOMATED MINIATURIZED WORKFLOWS



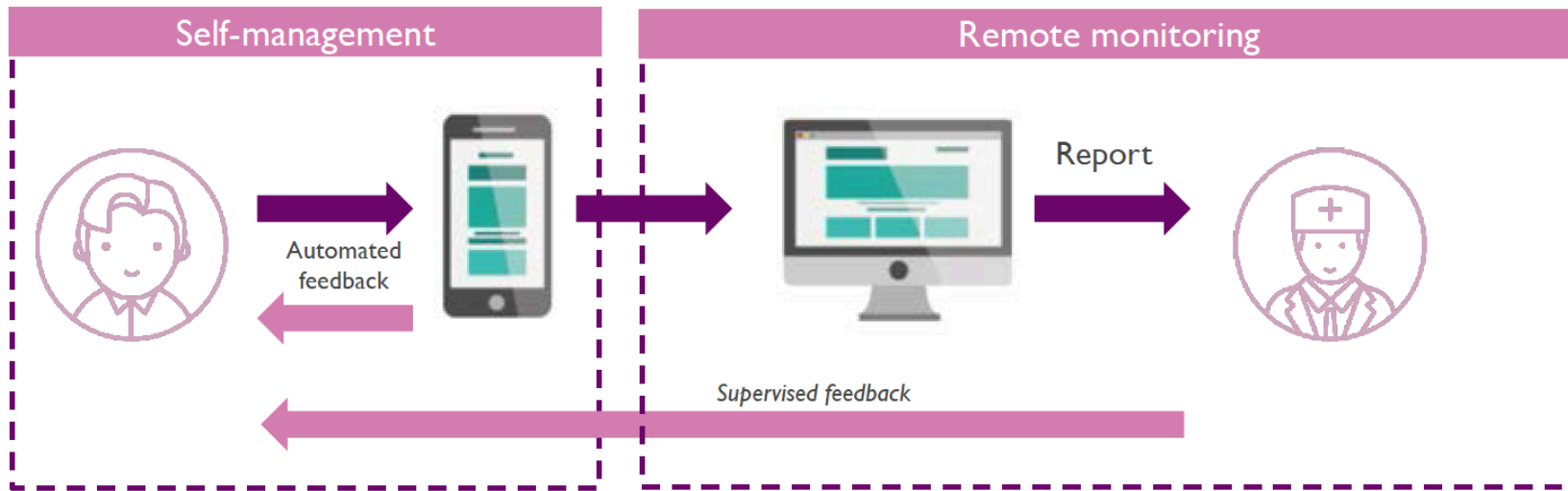
FEATURES

- ▶ COMPACT, INTEGRATED SAMPLE PREPARATION: SAMPLE-IN, DATA-OUT
- ▶ ON-CHIP FILTERS, MIXERS, DILUTION, LYSIS, DNA/RNA EXTRACTION, HPLC FILTER CAN BE COMBINED IN ONE WORKFLOW
- ▶ MULTIPLEX AND PCR REACTION CHAMBERS: 40 CYCLES IN <3 MINUTES
- ▶ MINIATURE SAMPLE CHAMBER TYPICALLY HOLDS 2 μ L SAMPLE + REAGENTS
- ▶ ACCURATE TEMPERATURE CONTROL WITH INTEGRATED HEATERS AND SENSING
- ▶ INTEGRATED DROPLET GENERATION FOR ddPCR: REPRODUCIBLE DROPLET GENERATION DOWN TO 30pL DROPLETS, FAST GENERATION UP TO 20,000 DROPLETS PER MINUTE PER CHANNEL

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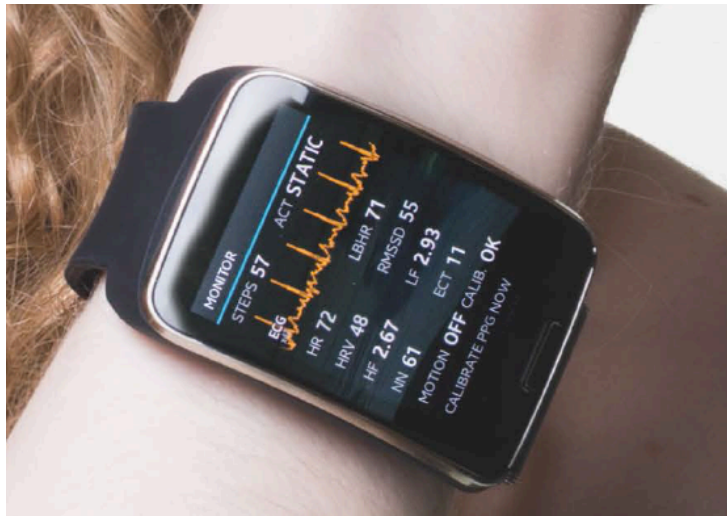
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Wearable devices



Patients using wearable sensors & smart devices...

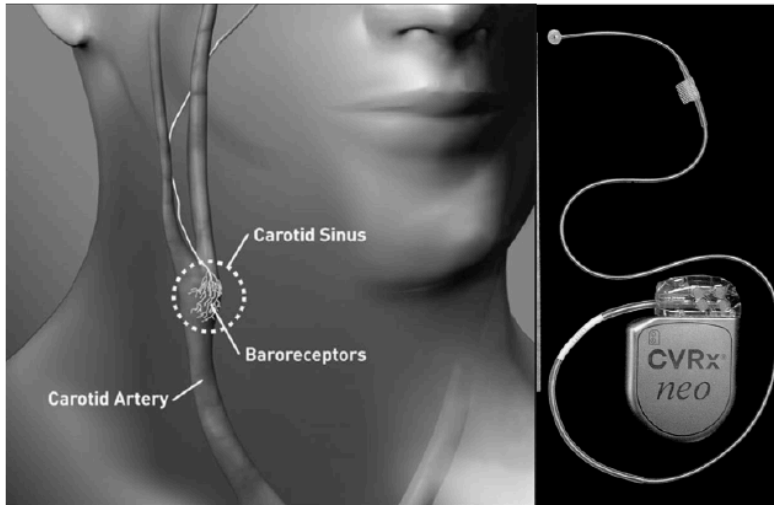
... to provide doctors with actionable information



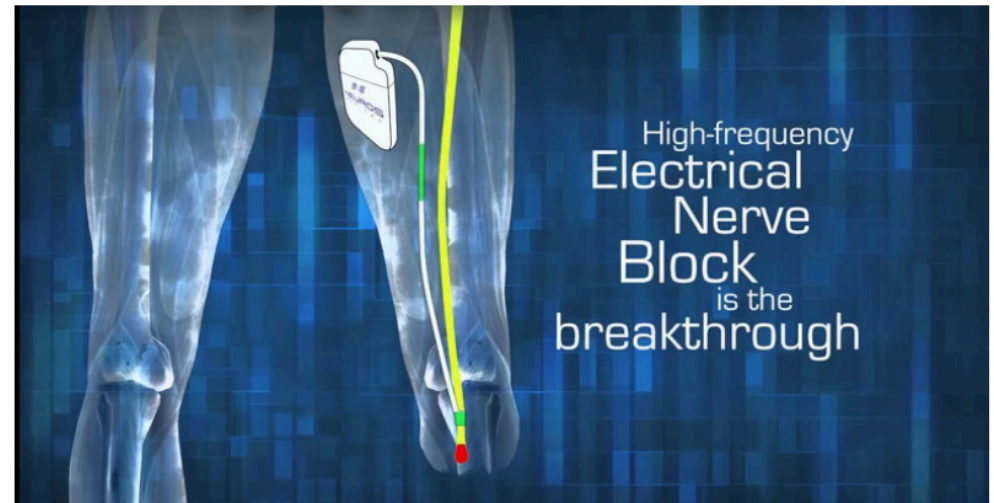
IMEC is creating wearable sensors for cardiac rhythm monitoring...



Electrical Stimulation of Carotid Sinus Nerve



Electrical Nerve Block for Phantom Limb Pain



Source: CVRx; www.fescenter.org

Bioelectronic Medicines | Imec Technology Forum | 24 May 2016

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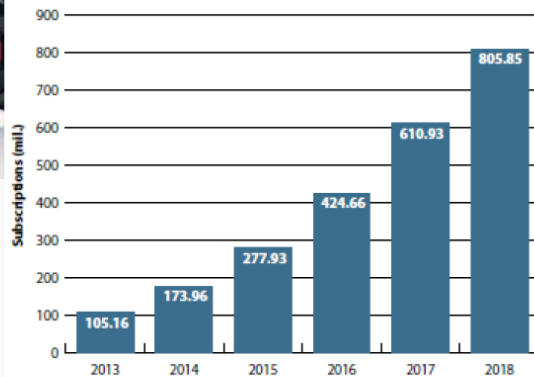
Need miniaturization but also new techniques for the interfaces and powering

- Blocking inside the body needs 10s of mW
- Wireless ?
- Grain of rice size devices...

Low-cost smartphones - key enabler of data in Africa



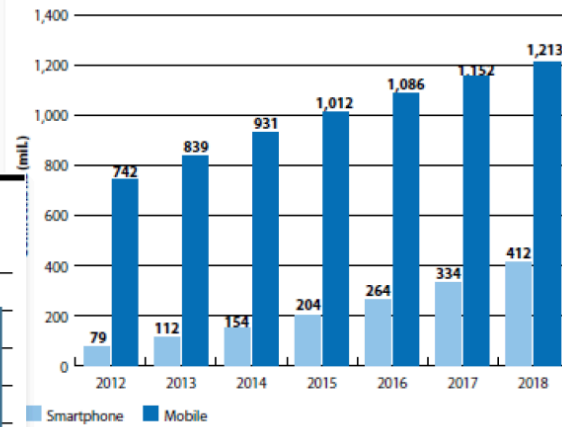
Fig. 2: Africa, mobile broadband subscription forecasts, 2013-2018



Notes: Figures refer to year-end. Mobile broadband includes WCDMA, HSPA, LTE and 1xEV-DO

Source: Informa Telecoms & Media

Fig. 3: Africa, smartphone connection forecasts, 2012-2018



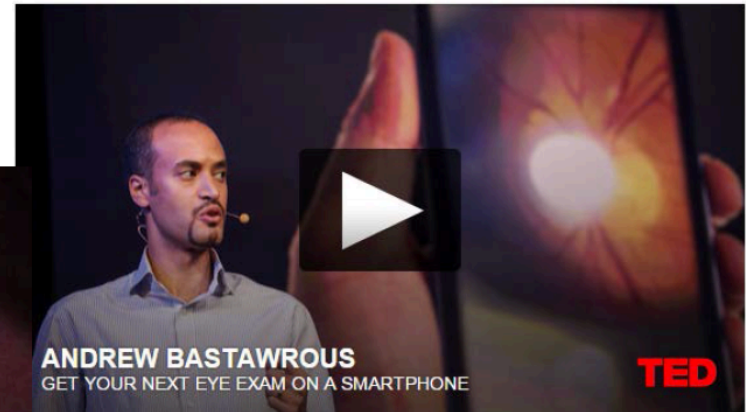
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Remote diagnosis

Studying blindness – there's an app!



2012 Max Perutz Science Writing Award winner,
Dr Andrew Bastawrous (MRC Research Fellow at the International Centre for Eye Health at the LSHTM)

"This is potentially a game changer"

Peter Ackland, CEO
International Agency for
the Prevention
of Blindness

"Good news for
developing
countries. Curing
blindness is going
mobile"

Bill Gates
Bill & Melinda Gates
Foundation

"It could really
make a difference
to the problem of
screening in
schools"

Dr Hillary Rono,
Ophthalmologist, Ministry
of Health in Kenya

Tech4Good Award
for Digital Health
2014

Tech4Good Awards

Digital Design of
the Year Winner
2014

London Design Museum



Professional eye exams from your
smartphone

Low cost smart phones key enabler in Africa

Mobile lab



Photo: European Mobile
Lab/Tommy Trenchard

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MEDICINE



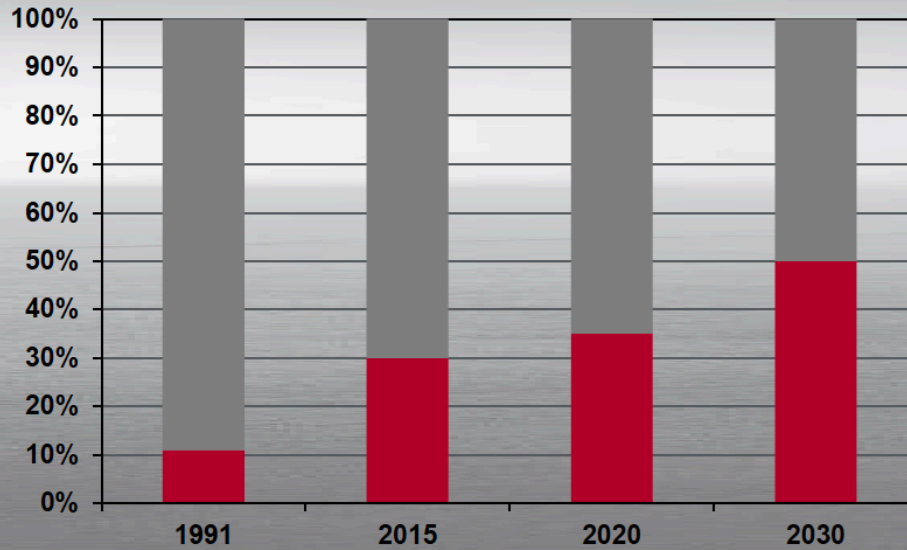
Automotive

AUTOMOTIVE NEEDS AN UPGRADE



- Towards smart mobility connected driver-less cars
- Advanced sensor systems
- Smart signal processing: detection – positioning – identification
- Car = most intelligent robot in our daily life

Electronic components share of vehicle production cost



(forecast for 2020 and 2030)
Data source: <http://www.pwc.de>

in addition:

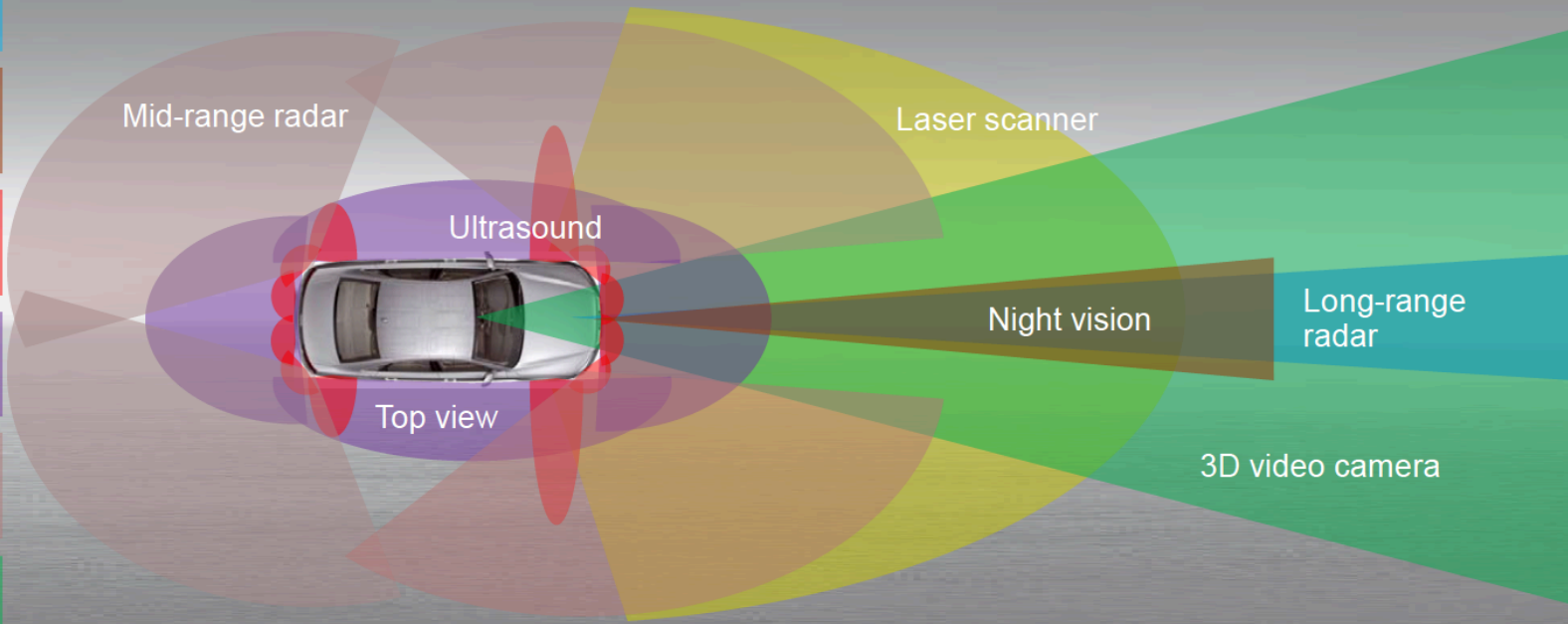
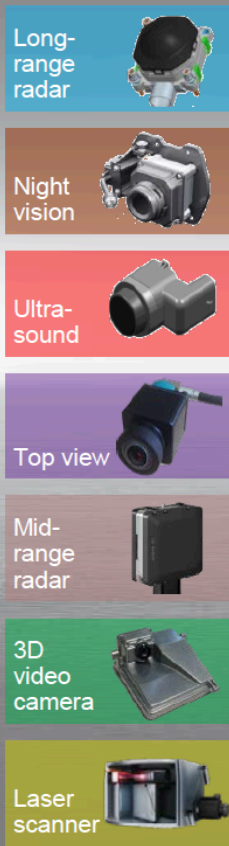
- continuously **increasing** number of **lines of software code**
- continuously **increasing** amount of **data traffic** within and from/ to the vehicle



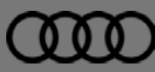
80 % of innovations due to semiconductors

Piloted driving

Recognizing the surrounding environment



➔ Further development of sensors (functions, performance) enables 3D 360° recognition of the surrounding environment



Advanced sensor systems

CMOS RADAR ON CHIP

HIGH RESOLUTION

LOW POWER

LOW COST

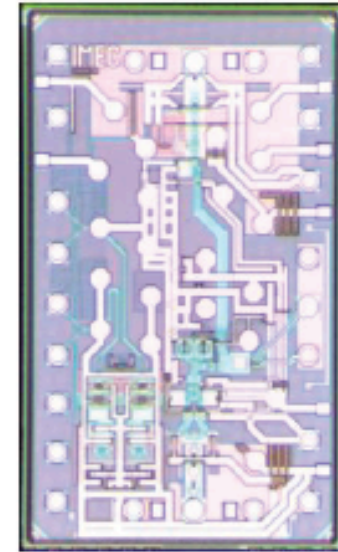
SMALL SIZE

LEVERAGING STANDARD
FOUNDRY TECHNOLOGY

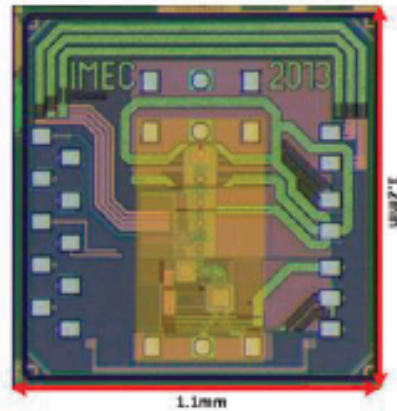


- 28 nm CMOS
- 79 GHz
- Integrated with antenna's in 3x2 cm² module (chip much smaller)
- Challenge is rejection of direct couplings between TX and RX
- Going to 140 GHz would allow integrating the antenna in the chip.

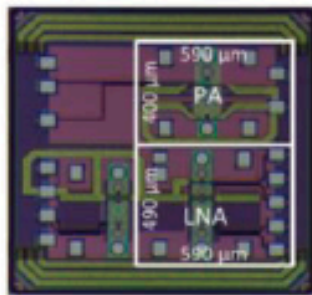
Transceiver



Transmitter



PA & LNA



28nm CMOS key components and full systems

P. Wambacq, W. Van Thillo et al.

- Journal of Solid State Circuits Vol. 49, no. 12, December 2014
- Journal of Solid State Circuits Vol. 51, no. 5, May 2016
- ISSCC



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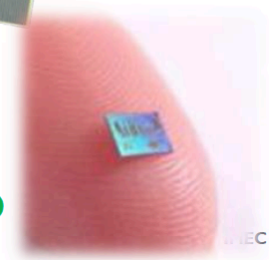
mobile



automotive today



imec **79 GHz automotive**

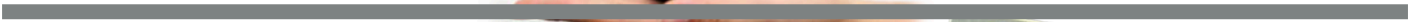


imec **140 GHz with antenna-on-chip**

RADAR EVOLUTION



yesterday



tomorrow

Audi connect

■ Functions



The vehicle

is connected
within itself



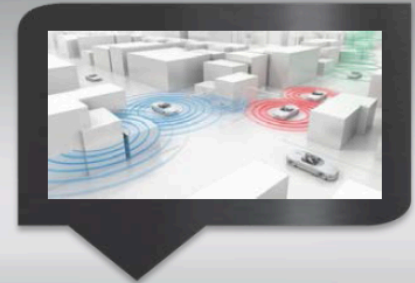
Stage 1

Connected
Infotainment



Stage 2

Car2x
Communication



Stage 3

Swarm
Intelligence



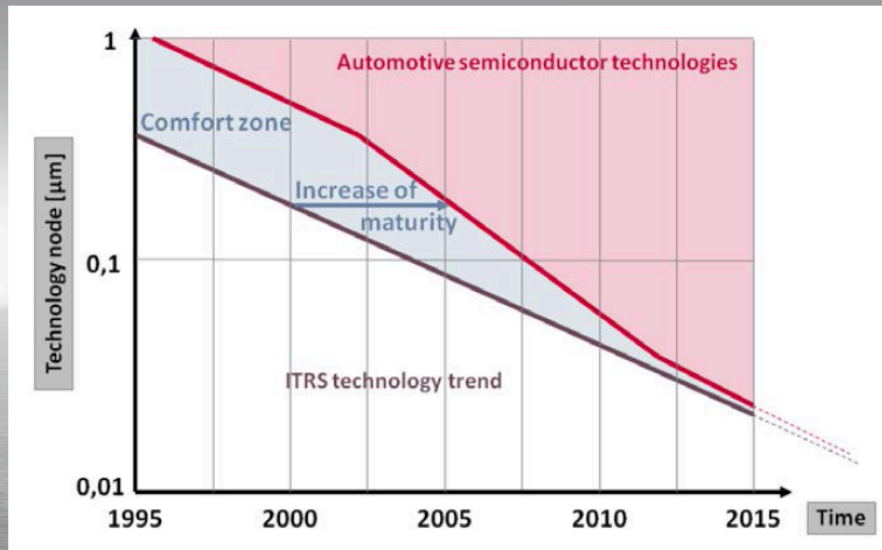
last decade:
this decade:

vehicle became connected within itself
vehicle connects seamlessly with the world



Infotainment & Audi connect

■ Shortened innovation cycles



- Shortened innovation cycles closed to consumer industry
- Increasing demand to use technologies from the consumer world
- Time gap to consumer is getting shorter and shorter
- Reduced “comfort zone” for automotive applications



Early adoption of new technologies in Automotive to enable new customer functions



- It is about **enabling new technologies and not to prohibit** them
- **Synchronizing the speed of innovation and reliability** is a key challenge

Fully autonomous driving

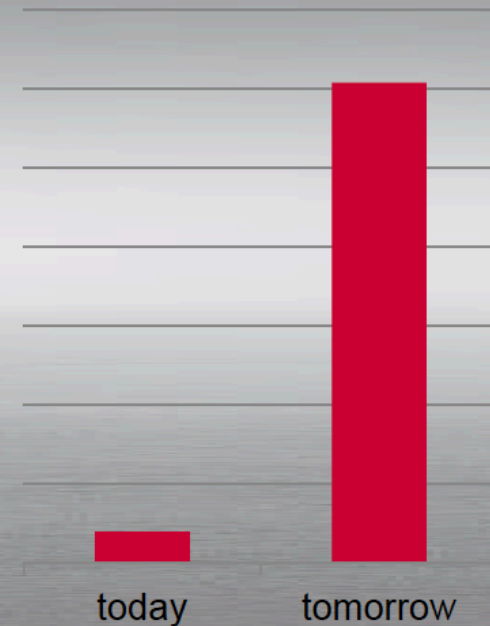


PAVL
NOTH

“Does your car have any idea why my car pulled it over?”

Fully autonomous driving

- **Today:** **8,000h** on-time
(approx. 1.5h per day, 15 years)
- **Tomorrow:** **121,500h** on-time
(approx. 22.5h per day, 15 years)



Energy

Energy and photovoltaics (PV)

GLOBAL PV: 2014/2015 IN A NUTSHELL

Top 3
markets

China
Japan
USA

China
largest
market

15 GW

Global
capacity
added

>50 GW

Global
installed
capacity

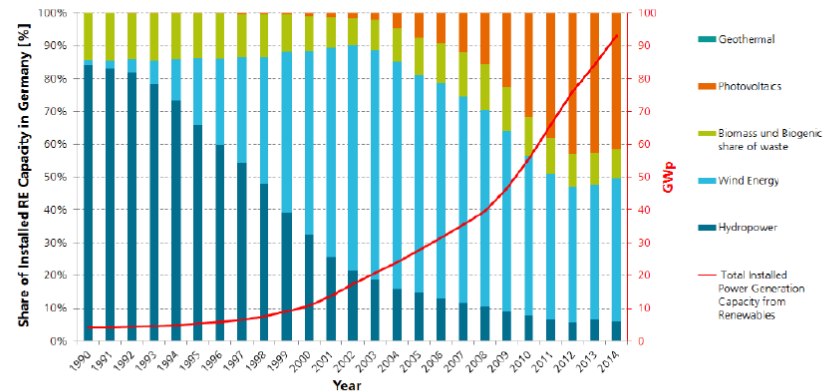
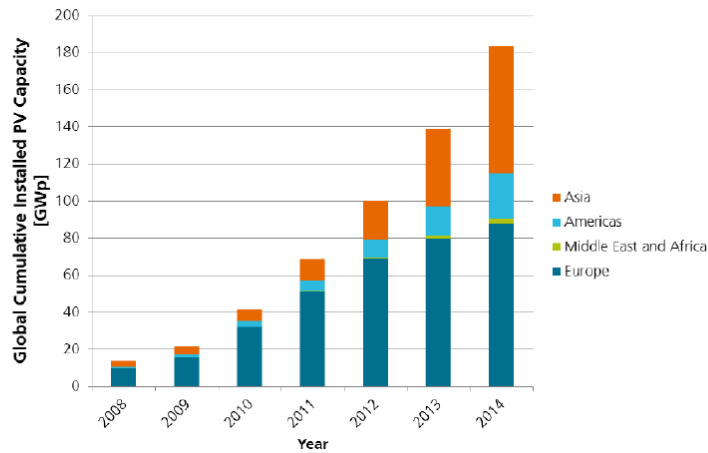
235 GW

Market
growth

Mainly
growth in
Asia and
US

Electricity
produced

World
1%
Italy
8%

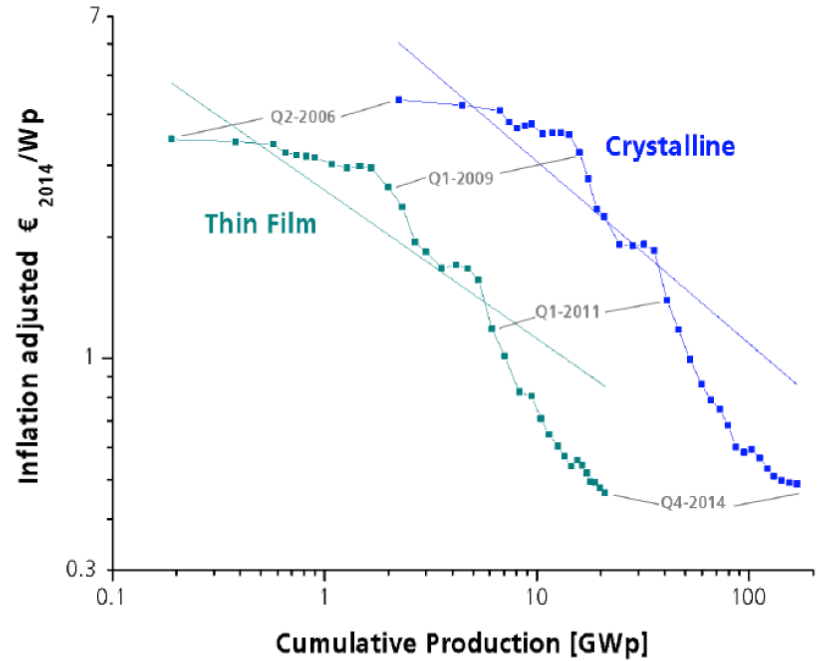
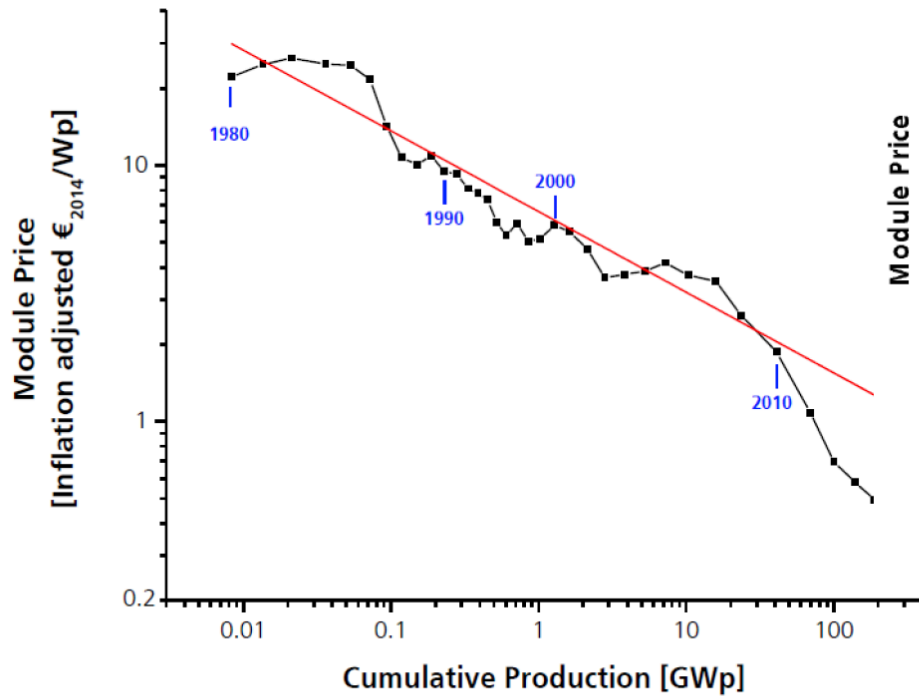


In 2014 about 28% of the electricity in Germany was generated by renewable energy (RE) sources according to BMWi.

Preliminary data 2014: BMWi; 2013: BMWi / AGEE-Stat. Up to 2012 Data: BMU, BDEW. Graph: PSE AG 2015

PRICES HAVE COME DOWN BY A FACTOR OF 10 SINCE 2005

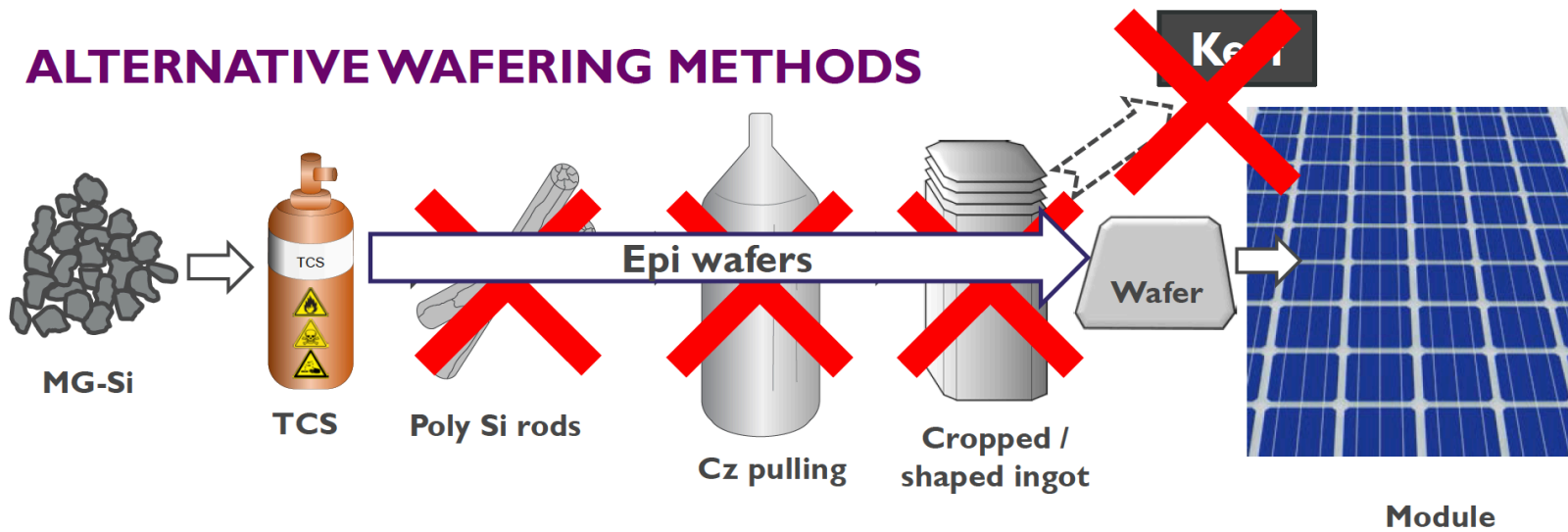
STABILIZATION FOR THE NEXT 2-3 YEARS



Data: from 2006 to 2010 estimation from different sources : Navigant Consulting, EUPD, pvXchange; from 2011 to 2014: IHS. Graph: PSE AG 2015



ALTERNATIVE WAFERING METHODS



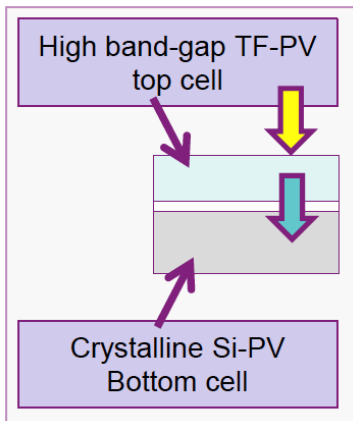
③ Direct crystallization of wafers from gas

② Direct crystallization of wafers from melt

① Kerf-free wafering of Si ingots



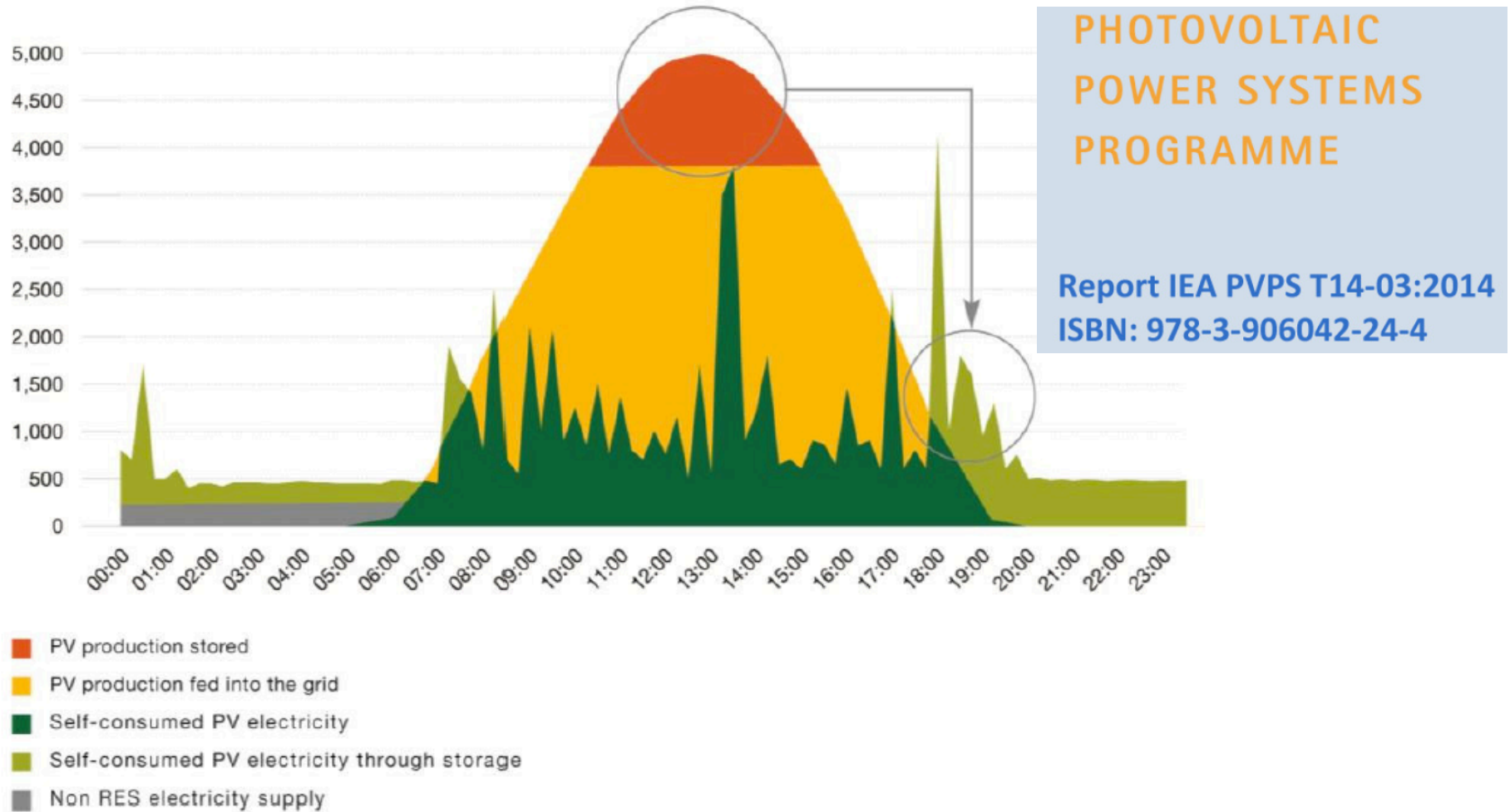
Direct epitaxial growth from gas



Towards higher efficiency:

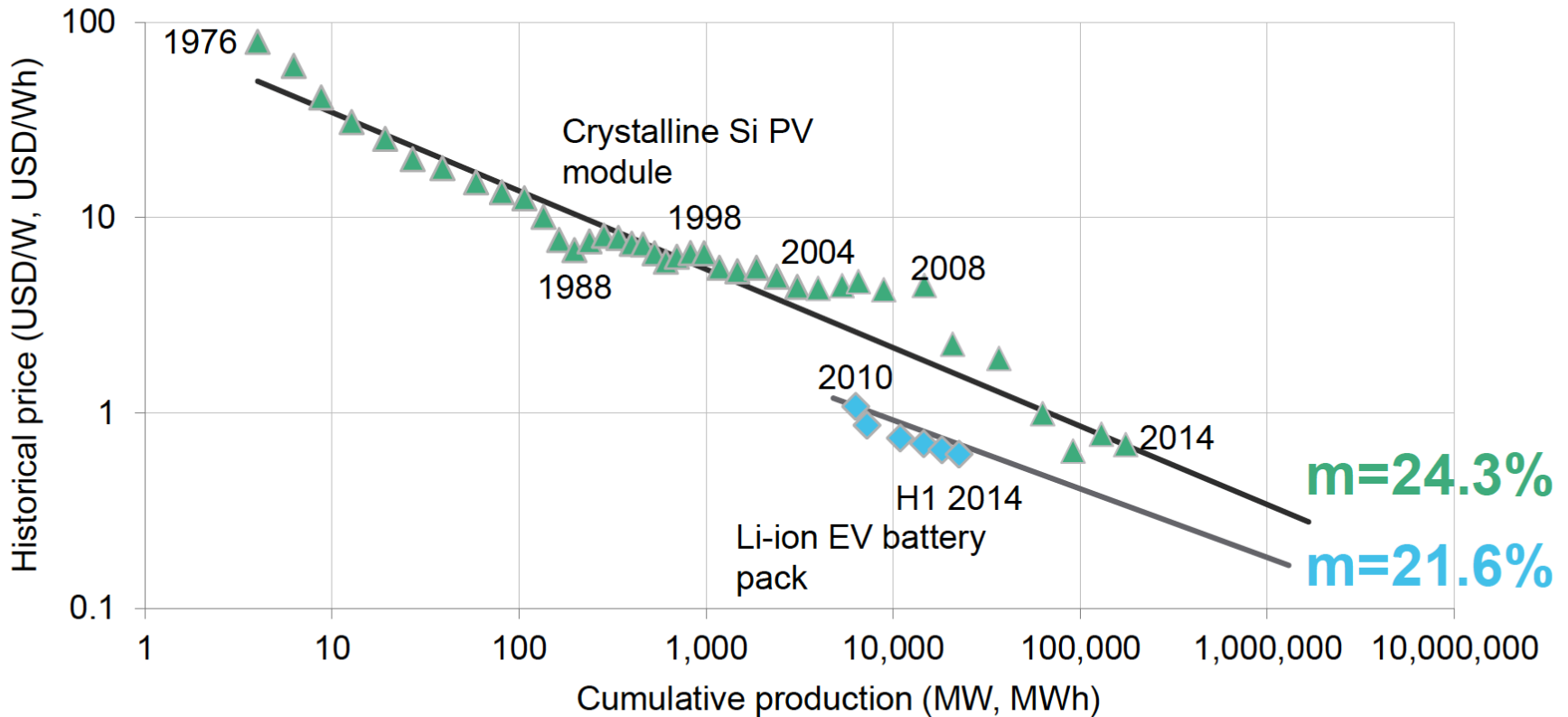
- Stacked cells (thin film + crystalline)
- Perovskites

Energy storage



Shift generation peak to consumption peak

LITHIUM-ION EV BATTERY EXPERIENCE CURVE COMPARED WITH SOLAR PV EXPERIENCE CURVE



Note: Prices are in real (2014) USD.

Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance, Maycock, Battery University, MIT

Michael Liebreich, New York, 14 April 2015

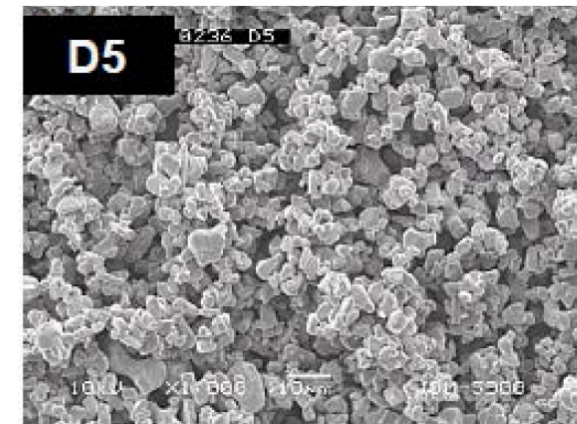
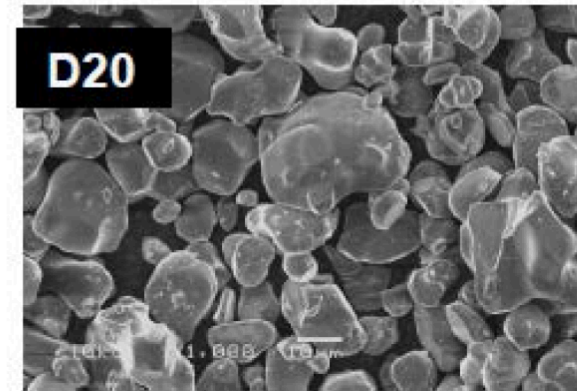
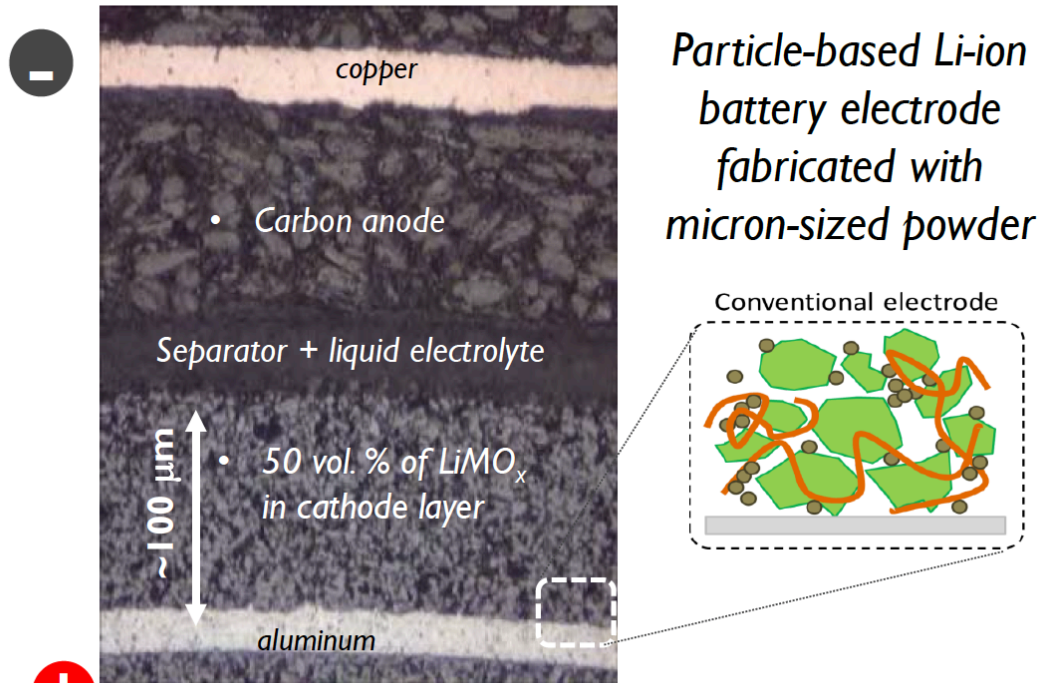
@MLiebreich

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LOOKING TO BATTERY TECHNOLOGY TODAY

BASED ON MICRON-SIZE PARTICLES AND LIQUID ELECTROLYTES



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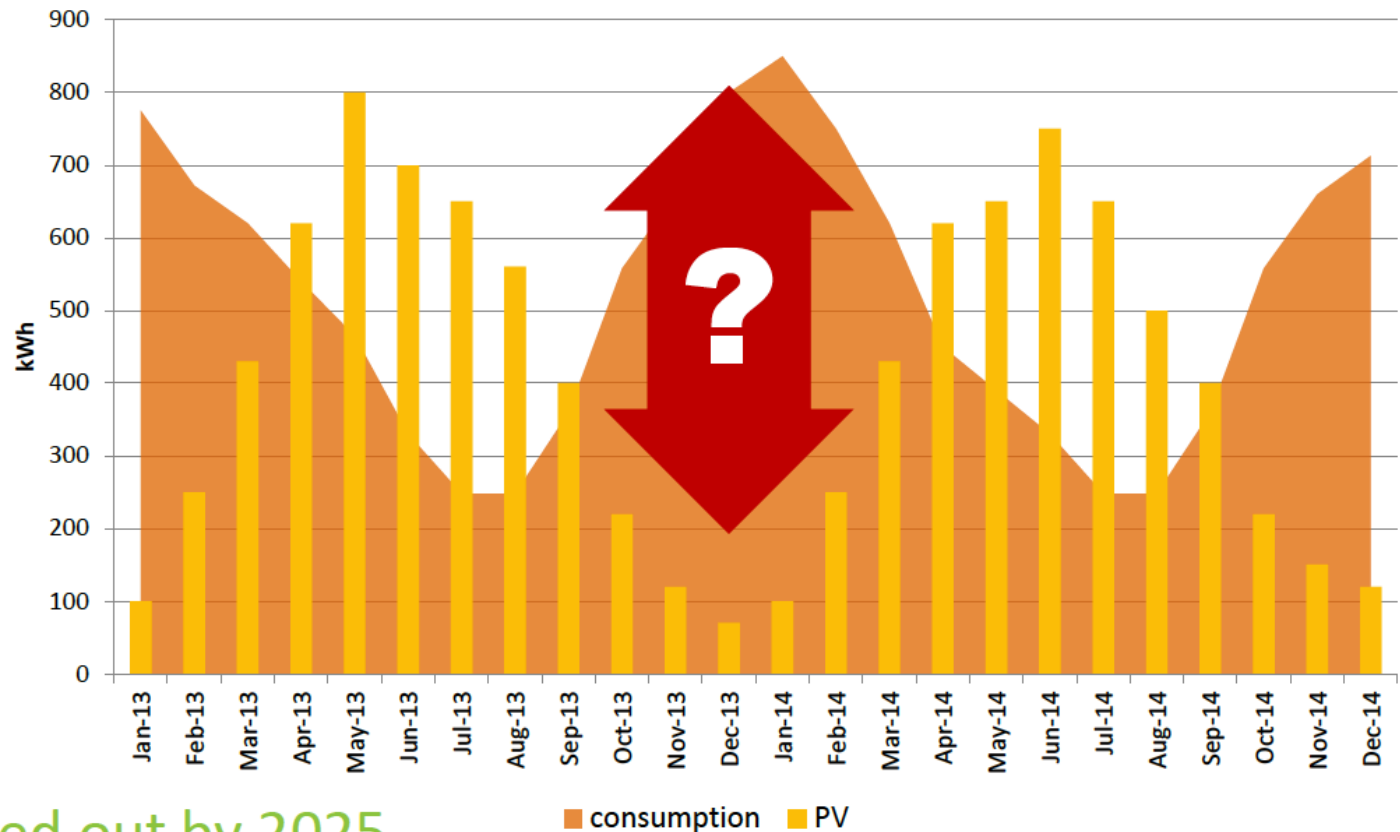
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- Nanoparticles for enhanced rate performance
- Imec is working towards solid-state Li-ion batteries for local short term storage to improve energy density, reliability and safety

Nearly Zero Energy Buildings and the reality of energy markets

Long term storage ?

Insulation
Ventilation
Heat pumps
+ PV



Nuclear phased out by 2025

Currently no investments in gas plants

Biomass: 200M€/year subsidies for 400 MW plant

Internet of Things

Internet of Things – Analog Devices

Traditionally specialized in interfacing real analog world to the digital world

Definition of IoT: a signal chain extending to the Cloud

Trend towards more intelligence on the sensing node
“transmit wisdom not data”

Required technologies not yet mature: chip scale sensors, energy harvesting, ultra low power techniques, ...

System architecture critical and very different for different applications.

City of Things



200 000 users
100 gateways
34 000 devices



- Antwerp: Testbed for IoT
- Need to develop ecosystem
- Data storage





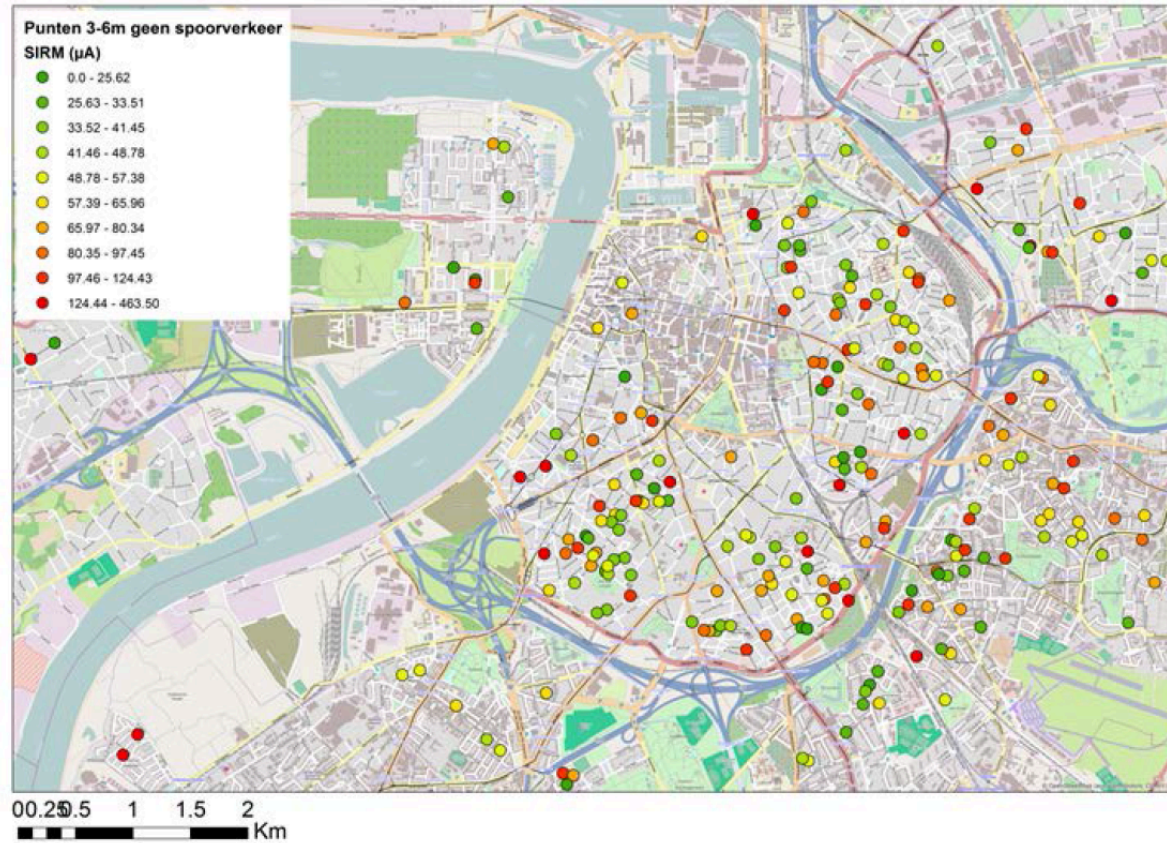


Air quality monitoring using strawberries

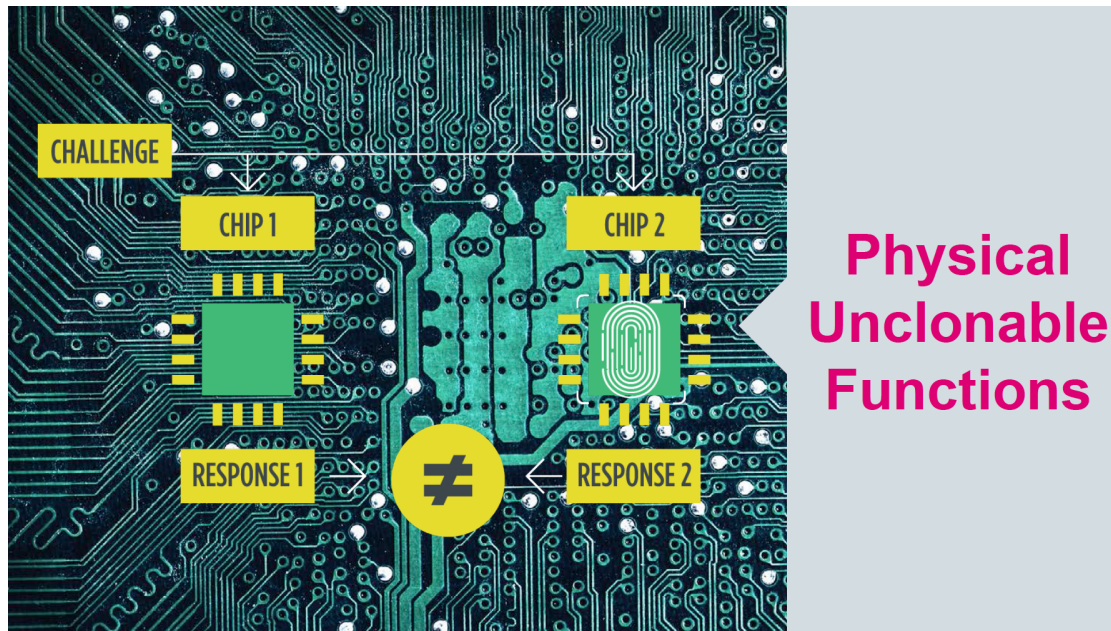
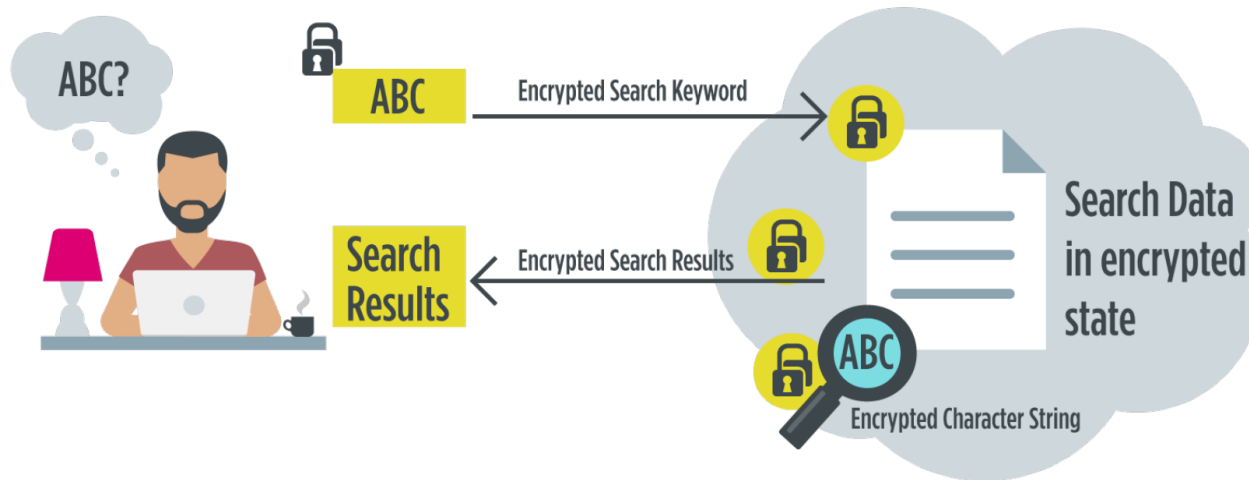


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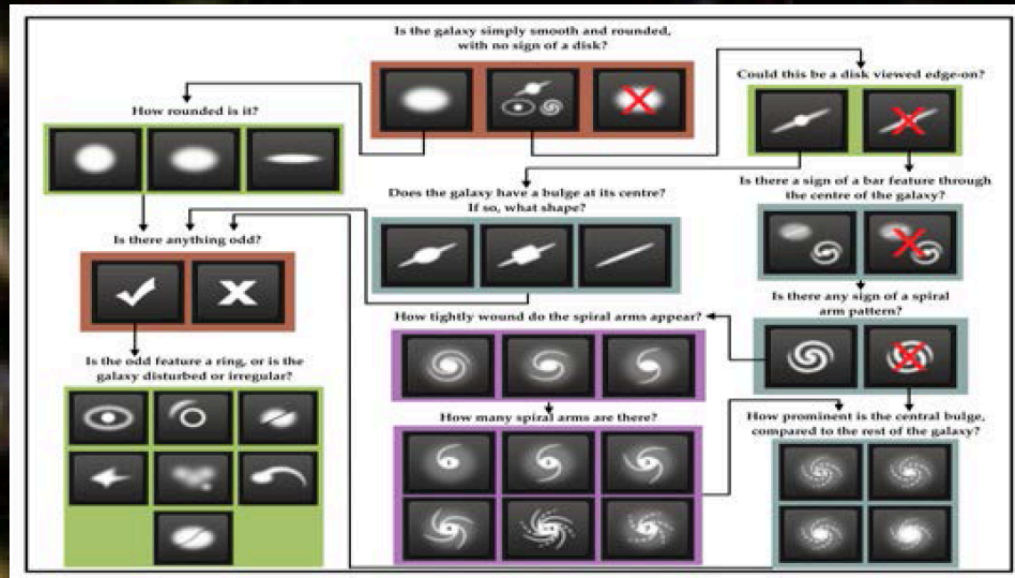


Distributed trust: data encryption



Artificial Intelligence

AI for classification of galaxy images



iMinds #1 out of 326 teams

Kaggle Competition: <http://benanne.github.io/2014/04/05/galaxy-zoo.html>

“ *The question of whether machines can think is about as relevant as the question of whether submarines can swim.* ”

- Edsger Dijkstra, 1984

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Everything connected - Distributed Trust - Distributed intelligence

Conclusions: CMOS scaling

- Data explosion (PC – App - IoT)
- Finfet and nanowire transistors
- Moore's law continues but with expansion to 3D
- Architectures
- PC and mobile market saturate, new applications emerge

New applications

Medicine

- DNA sequencing accelerated by micro-machined chips enables individualized precision medicine, early detection and monitoring saves significant cost
- Wearable devices – portable labs – mobile phone

Automotive

- 80 % of innovation in semiconductors
- Sensor systems – connectivity
- Fully autonomous driving

Energy

- PhotoVoltaics: better efficiency and cost reduction
- Batteries for short term storage

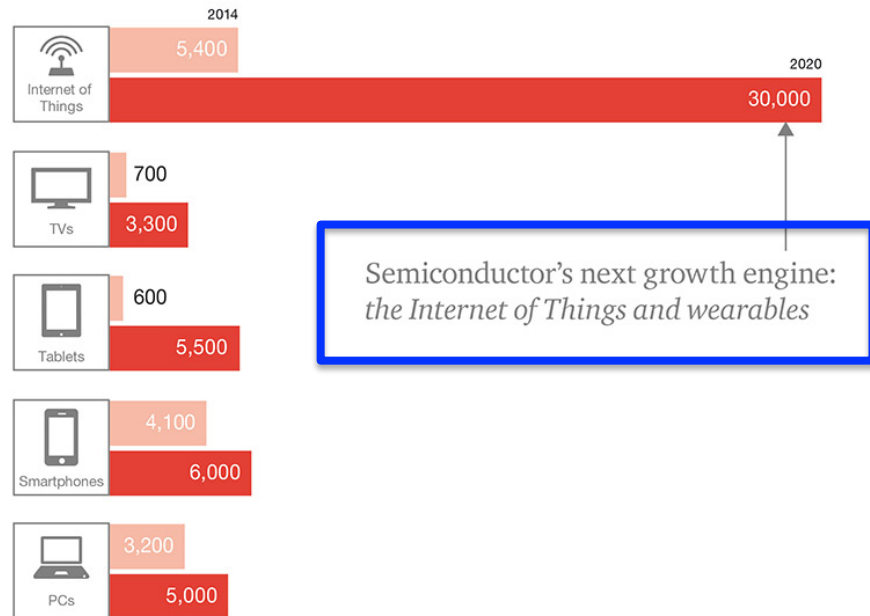
Internet of Things (IoT)

- Smart sensor systems
- Encryption
- Artificial Intelligence and data

The IoT is expected to drive a massive increase in connected devices and revenue growth across multiple industries.

Connected devices by 2020

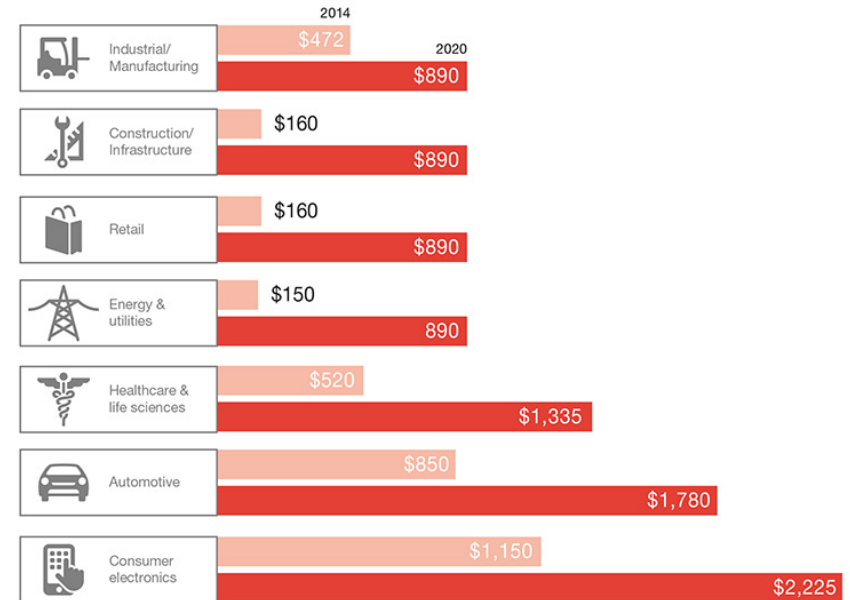
in millions



For more information, please visit:
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IoT market by 2020

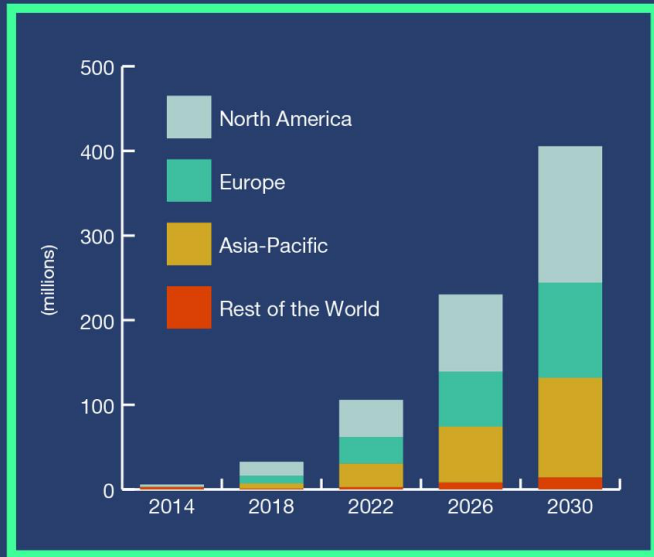
US\$ billions



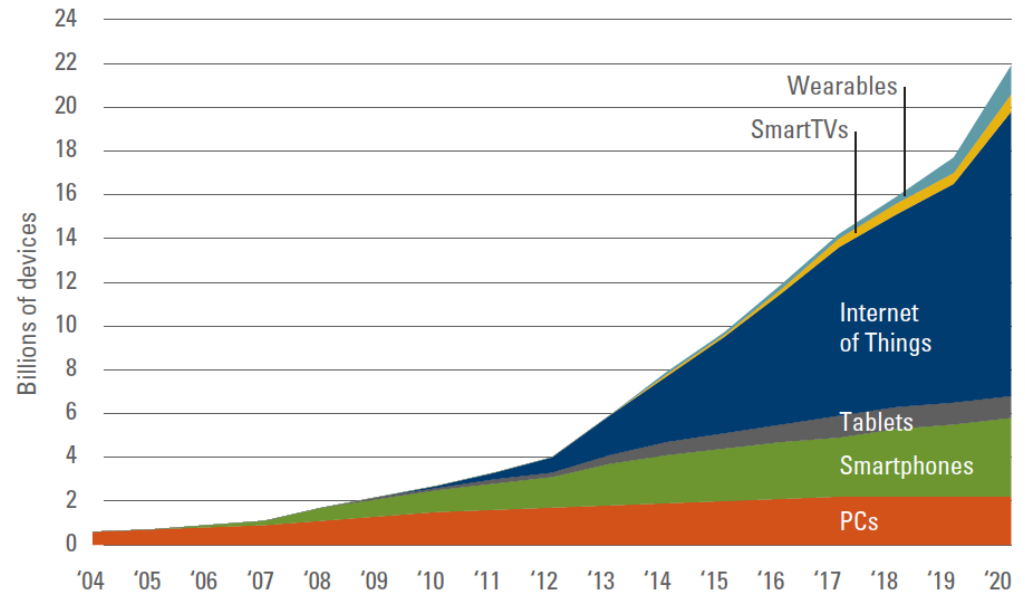
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Registered Vehicles with IoT Application by Region

World Market, Forecast: 2013 - 2030



Source: ABI Research



Sources: Gartner, IDC, Strategy Analytics, Machina research, company filings, BII estimates

Source: AlixPartners

Also:

- Tipping point : 50 B investment in digital healthcare in the last 18 months (Georgia Papatomas – J&J Pharmaceuticals)

Thank you !