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Key Messages

- High frequency circuit models
- Models to reduce cross-die variation (OPC, CMP, equipment modeling)
- Model alternative lithography technology tradeoffs
- Gate stack modeling for ultra-thin/alternative dielectrics
- Modeling limits of MOS; models for innovative MOS and beyond
- Goals for cost reduction due to TCAD

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- **Efficient simulation of full-chip interconnect delay**
- **Accurate 3-D interconnect model; inductance effects**
- **High frequency circuit models including non-quasi-static, gate RLC, substrate noise, QM effects**

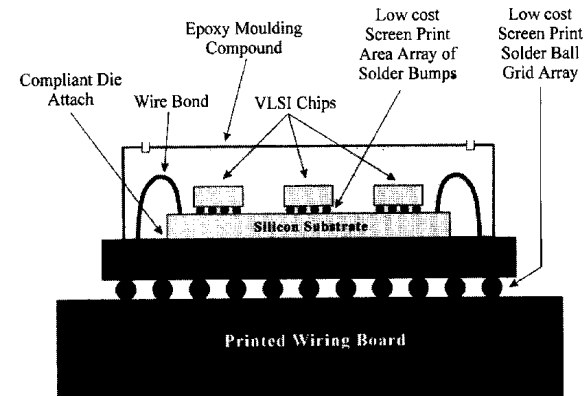
- **Efficient, accurate interconnect modeling critical for future high speed circuits**

Difficult Challenges: Unified Package/die-level models

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- Unified package/chip-level circuit models
- Integrated treatment of thermal, mechanical, electrical effects

- Packages becoming increasingly complex electrical devices
- High frequency interaction of package and die must be modeled together
- Thermo-mechanical effects must be understood
- Long-range: mixed electrical/optical analysis

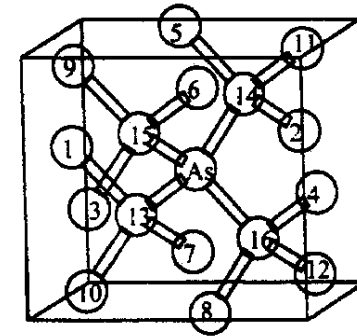


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- Interface effects on point defects and dopants
- Activation models (In, As, B); metastable states
- Implant damage, amorphization, re-crystallization

- Significant progress recently using quantum calculations for diffusion parameters
- Interface interactions dominate
 - Shallow junctions: all dopants are next to surface
- Activation issues become important
 - Scaled devices need low resistivity source/drain



Difficult Challenges: Equipment/topography modeling: Model thin film and etch control across die/wafer

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- **Reaction paths and rate constants**
- **Plasma models; linked equipment/feature models**
- **CMP (full wafer and die level)**
- **Pattern dependent effects**

• Within-die variation becoming key performance limiter; reduction is a source of performance gain

• Future litho has reduced depth of focus, increasingly tight cross-die layer uniformity requirements

• 300mm wafer transition imminent

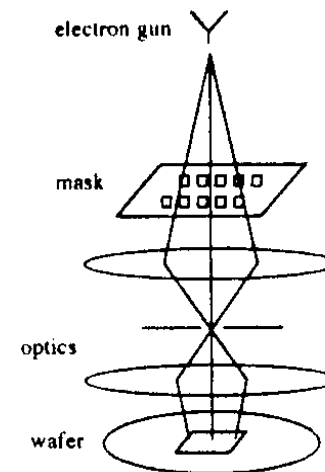
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- Resolution enhancement effects and mask synthesis (e.g., OPC, PSM)
- Predictive resist models
- 248 vs 193 vs 157 evaluation and tradeoffs
- Next-generation litho system models

- Near term: resolution enhancement techniques, wavelength tradeoffs;
- Near term: layout compensation (e.g. OPC)
- Long term: early evaluation of competing Next Generation Litho approaches

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Difficult Challenges: Reliability models for circuit design and technology development

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- **Circuit and device level transistor reliability: oxide TDD, SER, hot carrier, electromigration,**
- **NVM reliability**
- **ESD, latchup**

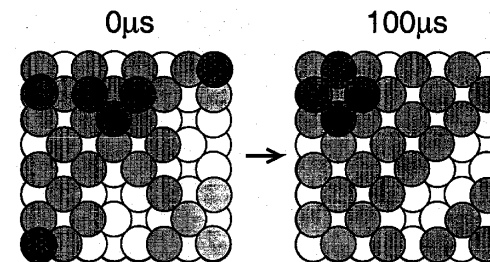
- Device level: need predictive models for transistor reliability issues
- Circuit level: empirical models to guard-band designs

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- **Electromigration (physical), grain structure, diffusion barriers, metallurgy**

- Interconnect systems are rapidly evolving:
 - New materials: dielectrics, barrier layers, metallurgies
- Increasing concerns: thermo-mechanical stress, diffusion, electromigration



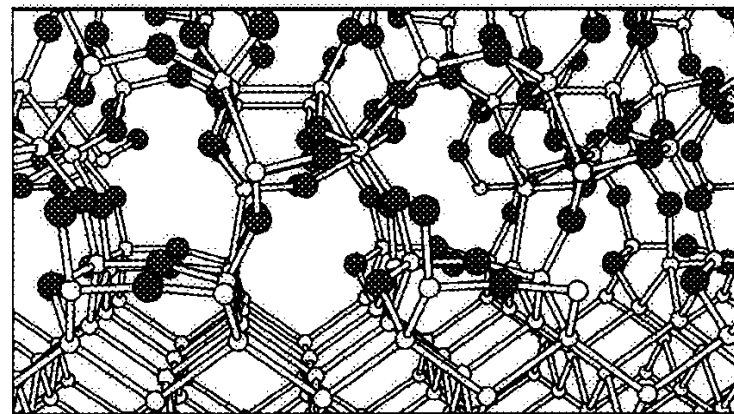
Cu diffusion (A. Voter, LANL)

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- Detailed process modeling of gate dielectric to optimize the thinnest SiO₂/SiO_xN_y systems, metal gate
- Modeling of alternative gate dielectric materials (atomic scale)
- Rigorous quantum treatment of gate stack



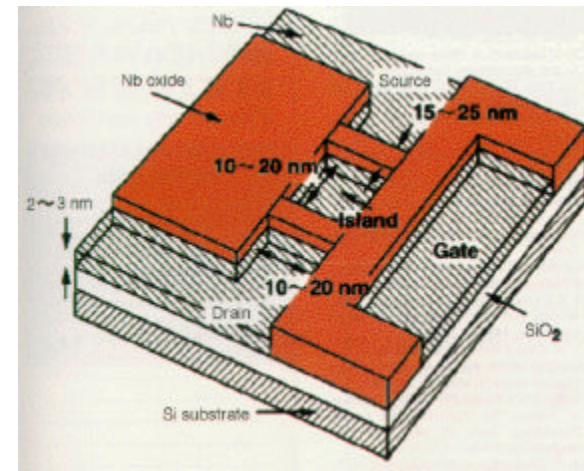
Simulated Si/SiO₂ interface (K. Ng, D. Vanderbilt, PRB 59 April 1999)

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• **Model new device concepts (using quantum effect) beyond traditional MOS; single electron transistors, effect of single dopants, etc.**

- Possibility: scaling of traditional MOS device slows or ends
- Advanced research needed: exploration of innovative MOS concepts and devices beyond MOS
- Emphasize system performance modeling of new devices



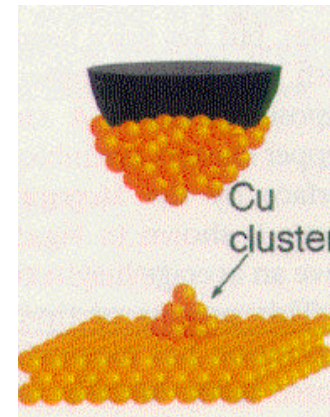
Single electron transistor
(J. Shirakashi, ETL, Tsukuba)

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- **Develop models to model processing steps at the atomic scale with atomic scale accuracy**

- Whatever direction technology takes, manipulation of atomic layer dimensions needed near end of the roadmap.
- Development of theoretical, simulation and instrumental infrastructure should start now



Technology Requirements: Cost Reduction

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	<i>180nm</i>			<i>130nm</i>			<i>100nm</i>	
<i>OVERALL COST REDUCTION TARGET (DUE TO TCAD)</i>	<i>20%</i>			<i>25%</i>			<i>35%</i>	

- Goal of TCAD Technology Requirements: overall development cost reduction
- Successful Application to Family Processes
- For Devices of New Technology Node,
More efforts needed for Predictive Modeling
- Still at its Infancy Level for Back End Process Modeling

Basis for Cost Reduction

	Relative Cost	0.18	0.13	0.10
Total		20%	25%	35%
New Tech Node (front end)	4	30%	40%	50%
Family Process (front end)	1	50%	60%	60%
Back end Process Modules	4	0%	2%	10%

- Already contribute to Process Integration
- Wait for New Models for Back end Process modules

Technology Requirements: Process TCAD (Accuracy)

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<i>PROCESS TCAD</i>								
Vertical and lateral junction depth simulation accuracy	18nm (10%)			13nm (10%)			10nm (10%)	
Total source/drain series resistance (accuracy)	20%			20%			20%	
Long-channel V _t (accuracy)	3% (45-54mV)			3% (36-45mV)			3% (27-36mV)	

- Thermal Process of Lower Temperature and Shorter Time
- Classical but still Important Issues in TCAD
- Proper Evaluation Method highly Expected, especially for Dopant Profiles
- Effective Use achieved after Proper Calibration

Technology Requirements: Process TCAD (Capabilities)

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PROCESS TCAD								
Gate Stack: evaluate materials		Model alternate dielectrics				Model metal vs. poly gate		
Diffusion coefficients		Kinetics of diffusion and activation				Interface interactions with point defects and dopants		
Stress/extended defects		Front end stress model				Extended defects and dislocations		

- Atomistic-level Models required for New Gate Materials
- Point-defects issues still Important
- Extended defects to be Modeled Properly in view of Mechanical stresses and Generation/Recombination of point defects

Technology Requirements: Device Simulation (Accuracy)

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<i>DEVICE MODELING (NUMERICAL)</i>								
Accuracy of ft at given ft (% of maximum chip frequency)	10%			10%			10%	
Gate leakage current accuracy (%) (decreases due to increase of Ig/Id)	100%			70%			40%	
Ioff accuracy	100%			70%			40%	
Vt rolloff accuracy (mV)	25mV			20mV			20mV	

- Increasing Importance of Leakage/Off Current Modeling and Cut-off Frequency Modeling
- Ever-lasting importance of Vt Rolloff modeling

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<i>DEVICE MODELING (NUMERICAL)</i>								
Gate stack models		Gate current tunneling models		Full quantum gate stack models				
Reliability models		Transistor reliability models (gate oxide)		Interconnect reliability models (electromig., stress)				
Noise/variation		Dopant fluctuation		Noise models				

- Quantum models needed for New Gate Stack Materials
- Predictive models needed for Reliability Issues
 - Gate Oxide (Thinner Oxide, New Gate Materials...)
 - Interconnects (Electro/Stress Migration...)
- Smaller Devices more Susceptible to EMS

Long term device modeling

Modeling limits of MOS devices

- Noise margins
- Atomic-level fluctuations
- Reduction of yield due to statistical variation

Modeling for innovative MOS and beyond

- elevated source/drain
- SOI
- vertical MOS
- quantum effect devices? Others?

Potential Solutions: Interconnect models

More accurate interconnect parasitic models are critical for high frequency design:

- Improved analytic capacitance models
 - 2D and 3D
 - cross-talk
- On-chip inductance modeling
 - substrate models
- Transmission line; full EM wave solvers
- Other interconnect modeling needs?

Potential Solutions:

Circuit models: Memory, System-on-Chip

Memory models:

- flash (program/erase)
- DRAM (read/write)
- FRAM

System-on-Chip

- Integrated digital, analog, and memory circuit models
- Other SoC circuit issues?

New circuit model challenges:

- RF device models:
 - active devices, passive devices
- SOI models (floating body effect)
- High voltage devices (for flat panel display)

Potential Solutions:

Reliability modeling (circuit/numerical)

- Gate dielectric degradation (circuit, numerical)
- Electromigration (circuit)
- ESD, Latchup (circuit, numerical)
- SER (circuit, numerical)
 - DRAM and logic
 - alpha and neutrons

Summary

- Next two generations (130nm, 100nm) provide many modeling challenges:
 - High frequency circuit models (RLC, xTOR)
 - Model cross-die variation due to litho, etch, thin film (e.g., OPC, CMP, equipment modeling)
 - Model lithography technology tradeoffs (resolution enhancement techniques, wavelength, PSM)
 - Goals for cost reduction due to TCAD
- Beyond 100nm, basic theoretical research needed:
 - Gate stack process and electrical model (atomic level)
 - Limits of MOS devices, innovative MOS devices and beyond

Modeling and Simulation Difficult Challenges

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