

Intel Demonstrates High-k + Metal Gate Transistor Breakthrough on 45 nm Microprocessors

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Key Messages

- Intel has achieved a significant breakthrough in transistor technology by developing high-k + metal gate transistors for its 45 nm process that significantly reduce leakage power
- High-k + metal gate transistors are the biggest advancement in transistor technology since the introduction of polysilicon gate MOS transistors in the late 1960s
- Working 45 nm microprocessors have been made using these revolutionary high-k + metal gate transistors
- These new 45 nm multi-core microprocessors will deliver higher performance and greater energy efficiency
- Intel's 45 nm products are on track to begin production in 2H '07 with three factories scheduled to be manufacturing 45 nm by 1H '08

Intel's Logic Technology Evolution

Process Name:	<u>P1262</u>	<u>P1264</u>	<u>P1266</u>	<u>P1268</u>	<u>P1270</u>
Lithography:	90 nm	65 nm	45 nm	32 nm	22 nm
1 st Production:	2003	2005	2007	2009	2011

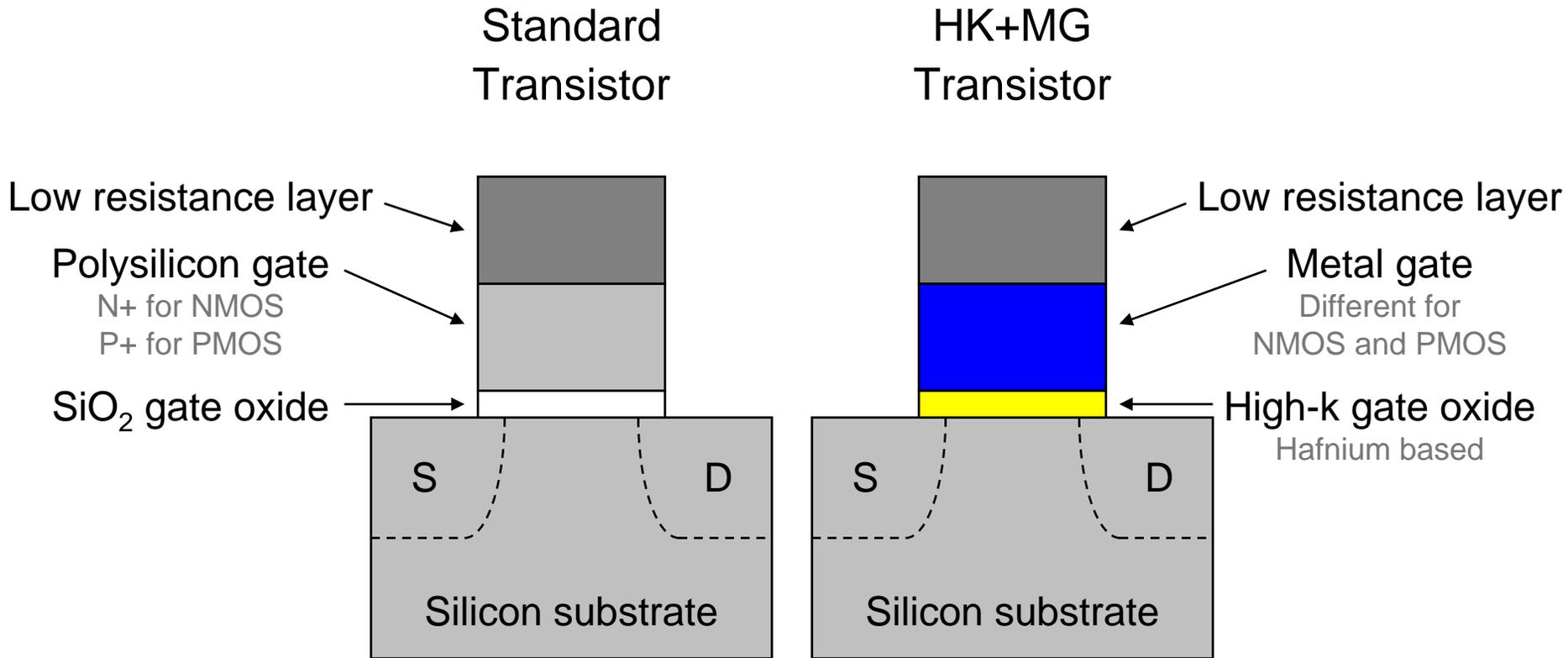
Moore's Law continues!

Intel continues to develop a new technology generation every 2 years

45 nm Technology Benefits

- Compared to today's 65 nm technology, Intel's 45 nm technology will provide the following product benefits:
 - ~2x improvement in transistor density, for either smaller chip size or increased transistor count
 - ~30% reduction in transistor switching power
 - >20% improvement in transistor switching speed or
>5x reduction in source-drain leakage power
 - >10x reduction in gate oxide leakage power
- These performance and leakage improvements would not be possible without high-k + metal gate
- This process technology will provide the foundation to deliver improved performance/watt that will enhance the user experience

High-k + Metal Gate Transistors



High-k + metal gate transistors provide significant performance increase and leakage reduction, ensuring continuation of Moore's Law

High-k + Metal Gate Transistors

Metal Gate

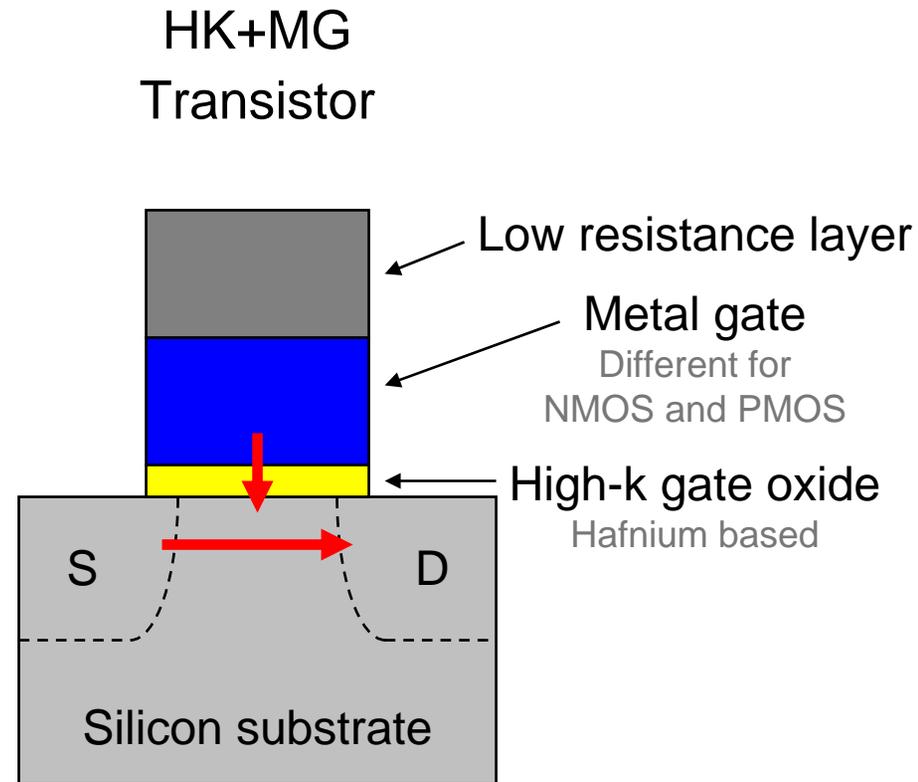
- Increases the gate field effect

High-k Dielectric

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- Allows use of thicker dielectric layer to reduce gate leakage

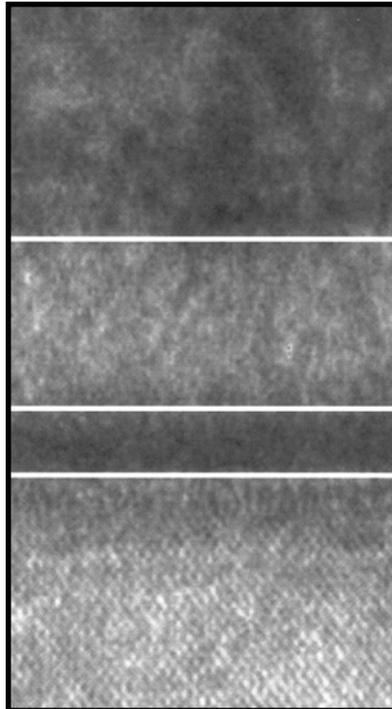
HK + MG Combined

- Drive current increased >20% (>20% higher performance)
- Or source-drain leakage reduced >5x
- Gate oxide leakage reduced >10x



High-k + Metal Gate Transistors

- ✓ Integrated 45 nm CMOS process
- ✓ High performance
- ✓ Low leakage
- ✓ Meets reliability requirements
- ✓ Manufacturable in high volume



Low Resistance Layer

Work Function Metal
Different for NMOS and PMOS

High-k Dielectric
Hafnium based

Silicon Substrate

“The implementation of high-k and metal gate materials marks the biggest change in transistor technology since the introduction of polysilicon gate MOS transistors in the late 1960s”

Gordon Moore

High-k + Metal Gate Transistors

- Specific metal gate and high-k dielectric materials are not being disclosed at this time
- There are hundreds of material options for metal gate electrodes and high-k dielectrics
- Identifying the HK+MG material combination that meets high performance, low leakage, reliability and manufacturing requirements is a very significant accomplishment
- No other company has reached this level of success and they are not expected to have HK+MG until the 32 nm generation or later

2003 HK+MG Announcement

What are we announcing?

- Intel has made significant progress in future transistor materials
- Two key parts of this new transistor are:
 - The gate dielectric consists of a “high-k” material
 - The gate electrode is made of metal
- Intel has succeeded in integrating these innovations and creating transistor with *record-setting performance*, and with dramatically reduced leakage current
- Intel believes that high-k/metal gate can be implemented in the 45nm manufacturing process, to be in production in 2007

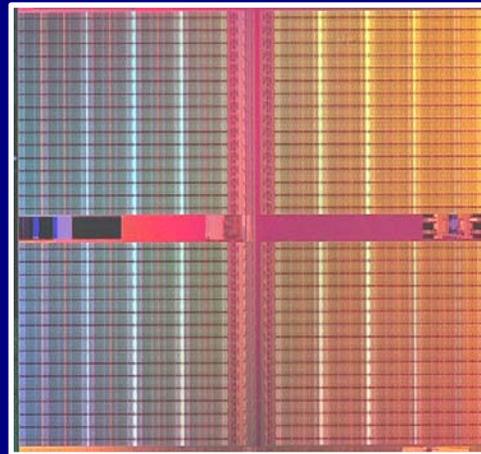
Nov. 2003

Intel's Components Research group announced first working high-k + metal gate transistors in 2003

2006 45 nm SRAM Announcement

45 nm SRAM Chip

0.346 μm^2 cell
153 Mbit density
119 mm^2 chip size
>1 billion transistors
Functional silicon in Jan '06

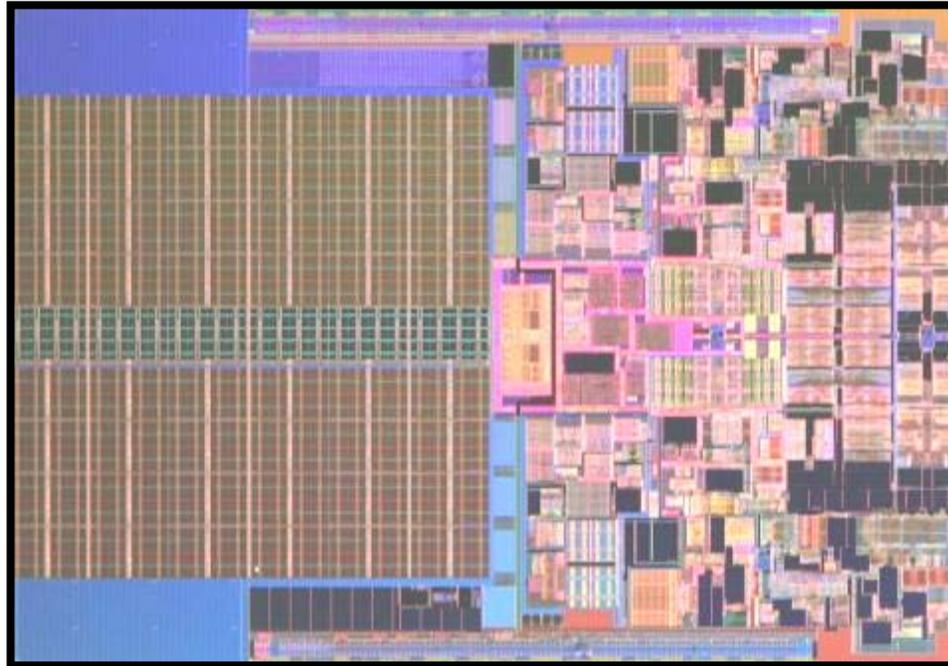


45 nm SRAM test vehicle includes all transistor and interconnect features to be used on 45 nm microprocessors

January 2006

153 Mbit SRAM in Jan '06 used same process features as today's 45 nm CPU, including high-k + metal gate transistors and cost effective 193 nm dry lithography

Penryn Die Photo



45 nm next generation Intel® Core™2 family processor
410 million transistors for dual core, 820 million for quad core
World's first working 45 nm CPU

Penryn Family Processors

Grows the performance and energy efficiency lead established by Intel® Core™2 family and Intel® Xeon™ family processors

- Next step in Intel's rapid technology cadence with *second generation quad core in production 2H '07*
- Family codename *Penryn* with server, workstation, desktop, and mobile optimized versions
- New microarchitecture features for even greater performance and new capabilities
- New Intel® SSE4 instructions expand capabilities and performance for media/HPC applications
- Higher core speeds and larger caches
- Leading energy efficiency through design, new power management modes and Intel's 45 nm silicon process

Design is out of fab and working

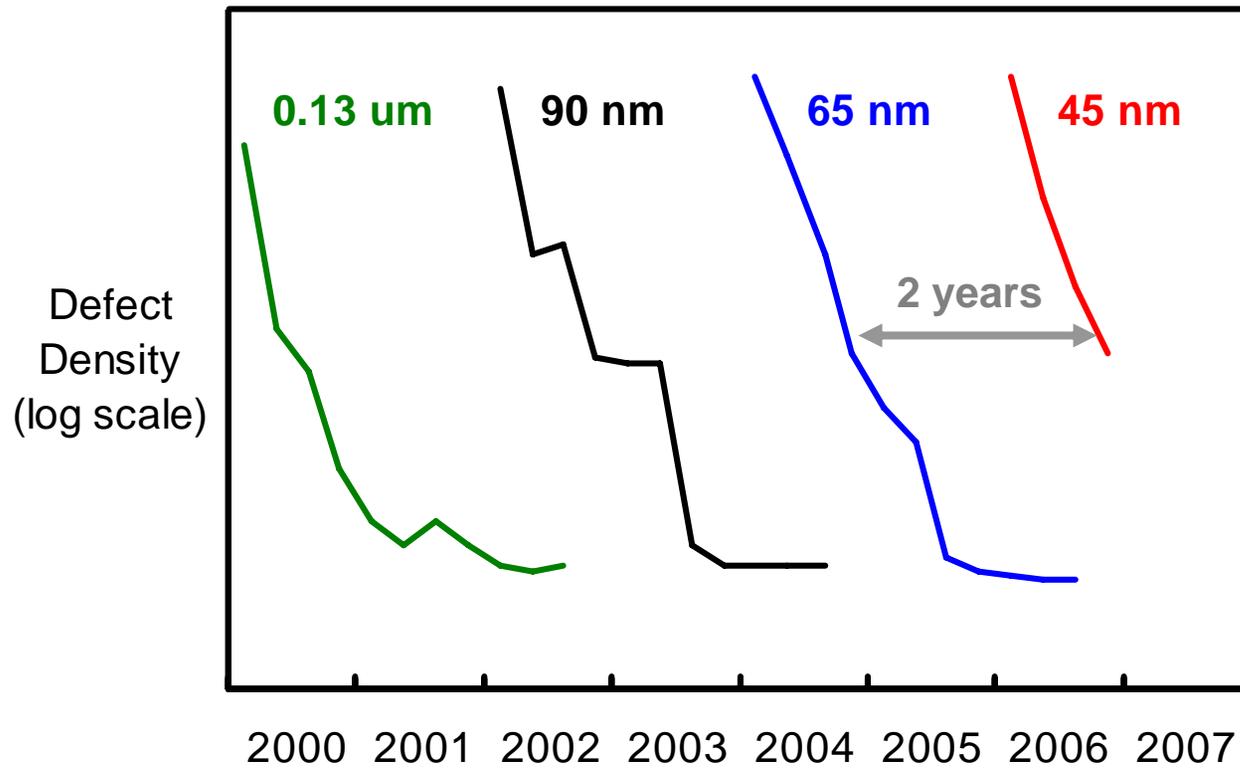
Penryn First Silicon Boots

Windows* Vista*, Mac OS X*, Windows* XP and Linux



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45 nm Yield Improvement Trend



45 nm defect reduction trend at expected 2 year offset from 65 nm
45 nm on track for production ramp in 2H '07

45 nm Manufacturing Fabs



D1D
Oregon

Ramp in 2H '07



Fab 32
Arizona

Ramp in 2H '07



Fab 28
Israel

Ramp in 1H '08

Three 300 mm factories are planned to be manufacturing 45 nm products by 1H '08

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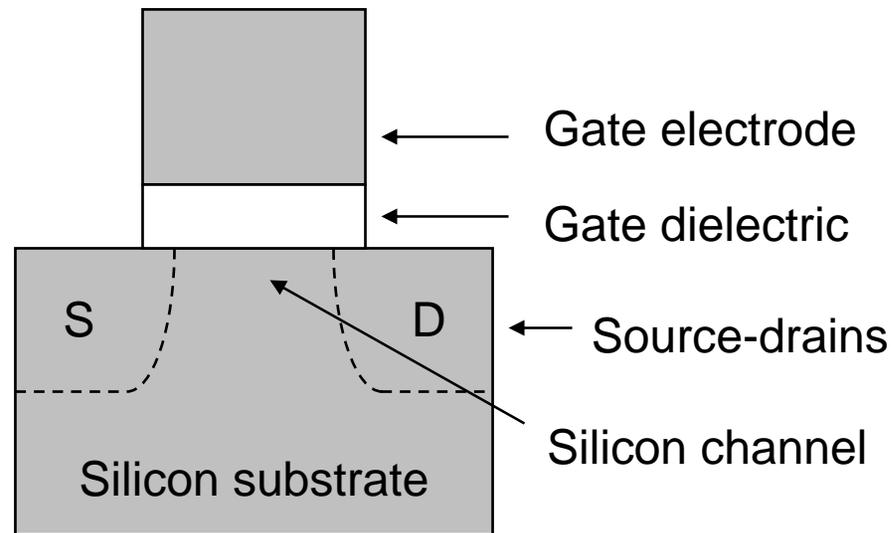
Intel is pulling further ahead of the competition

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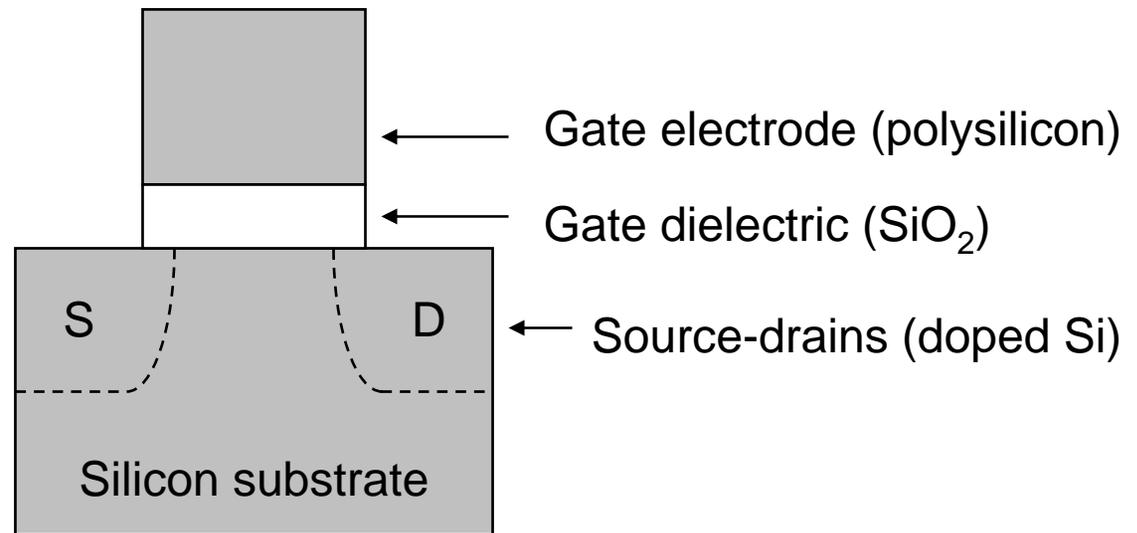
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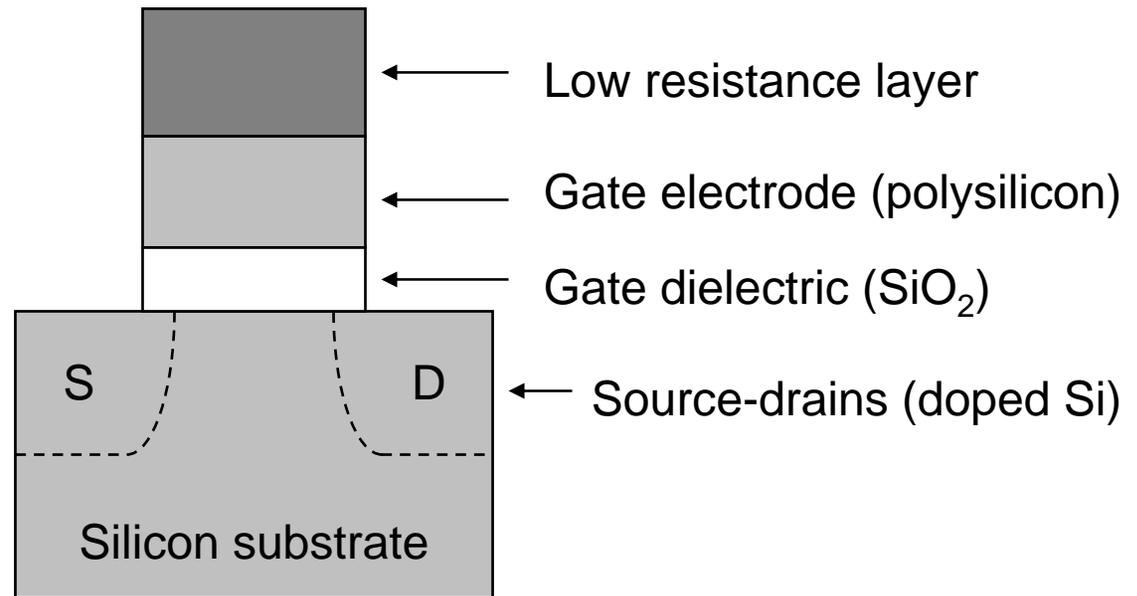
Transistors consist of these key structures

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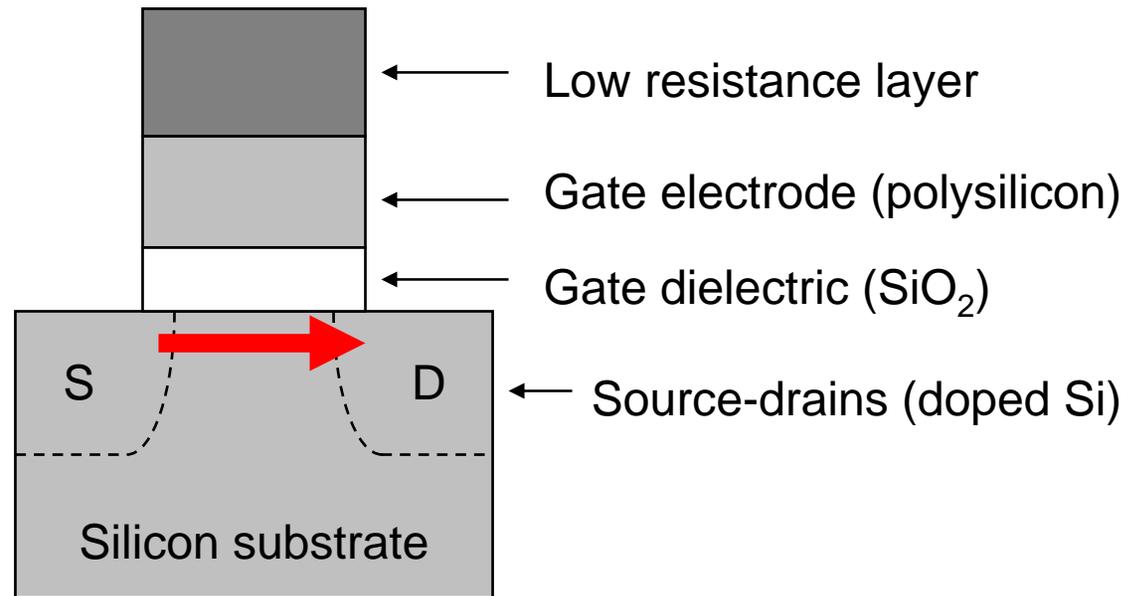
Since the late 1960's transistors have been made with these basic materials

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A low resistance capping layer was added in the 1980's to help improve transistor performance

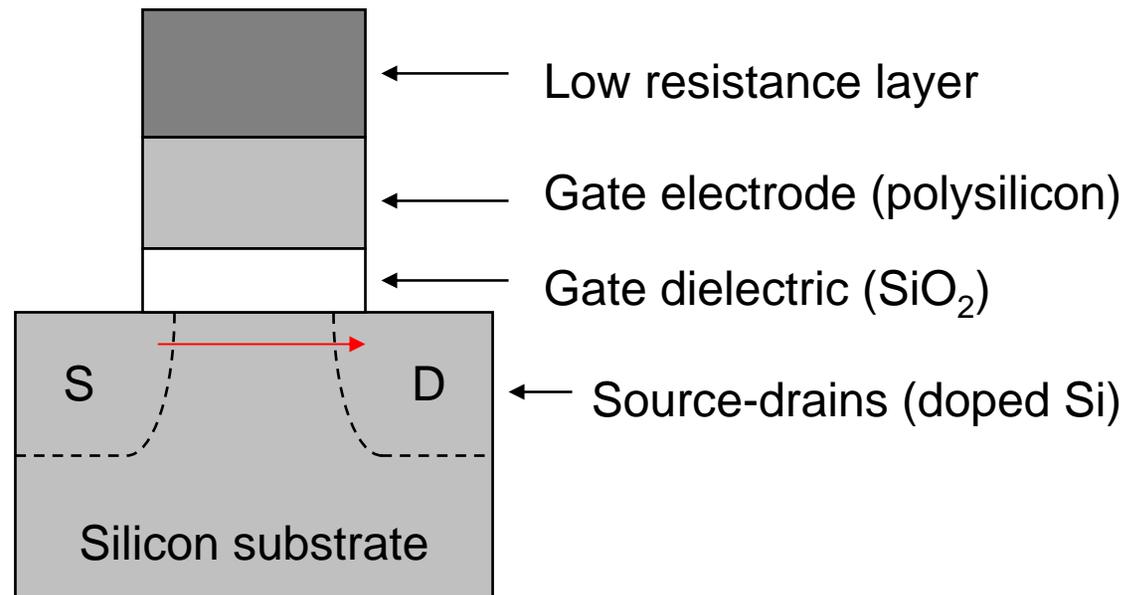
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Transistors act as an electrical switch

In the “on” state current flow from source to drain should be high

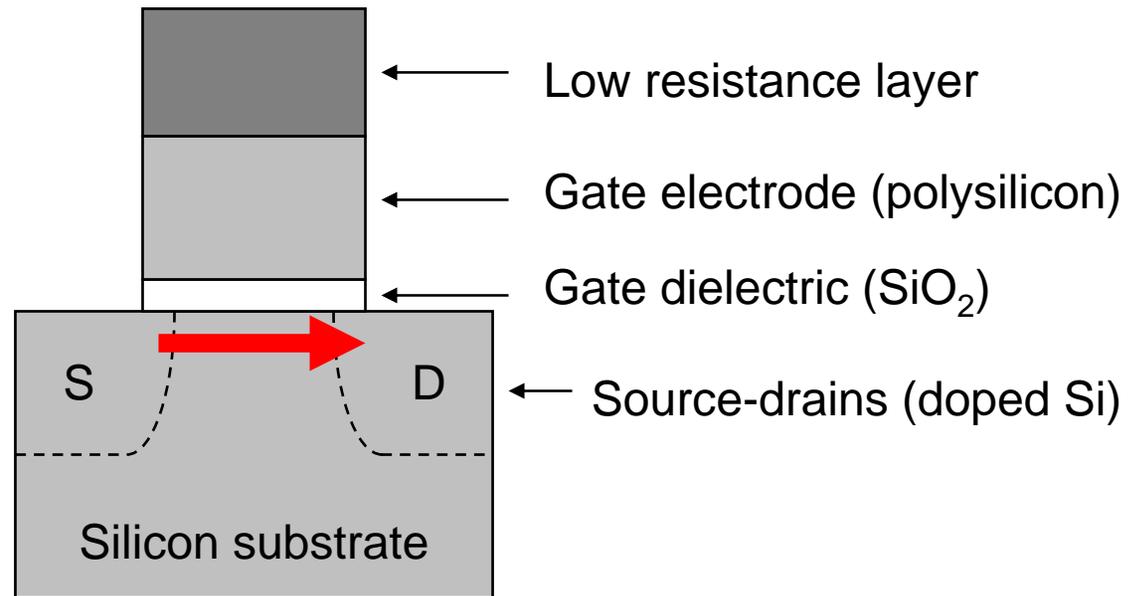
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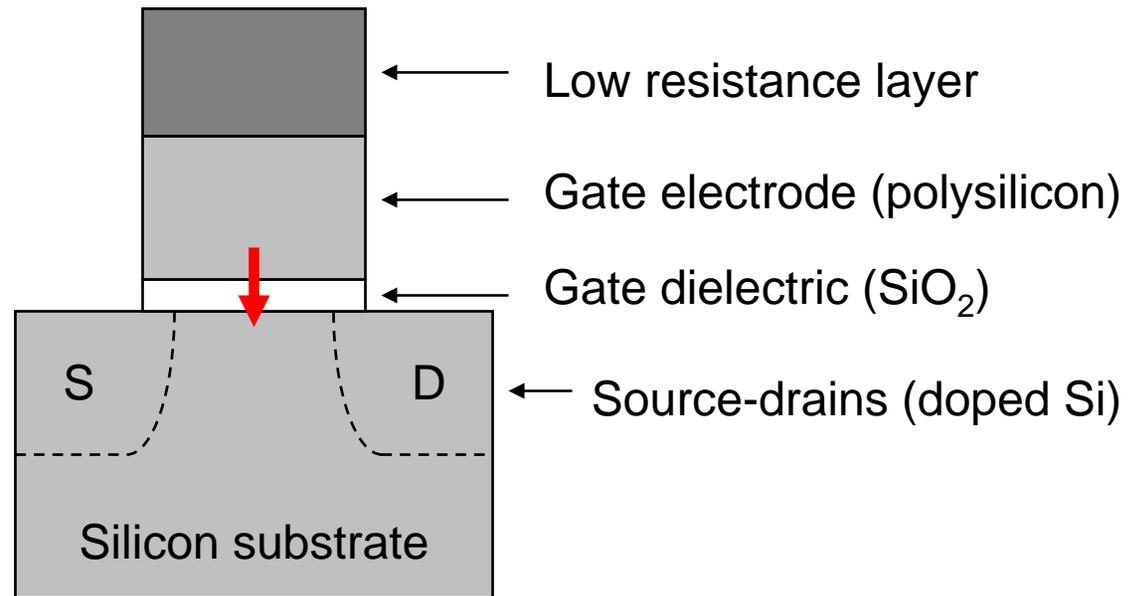
In the “off” state current flow from source to drain should be low

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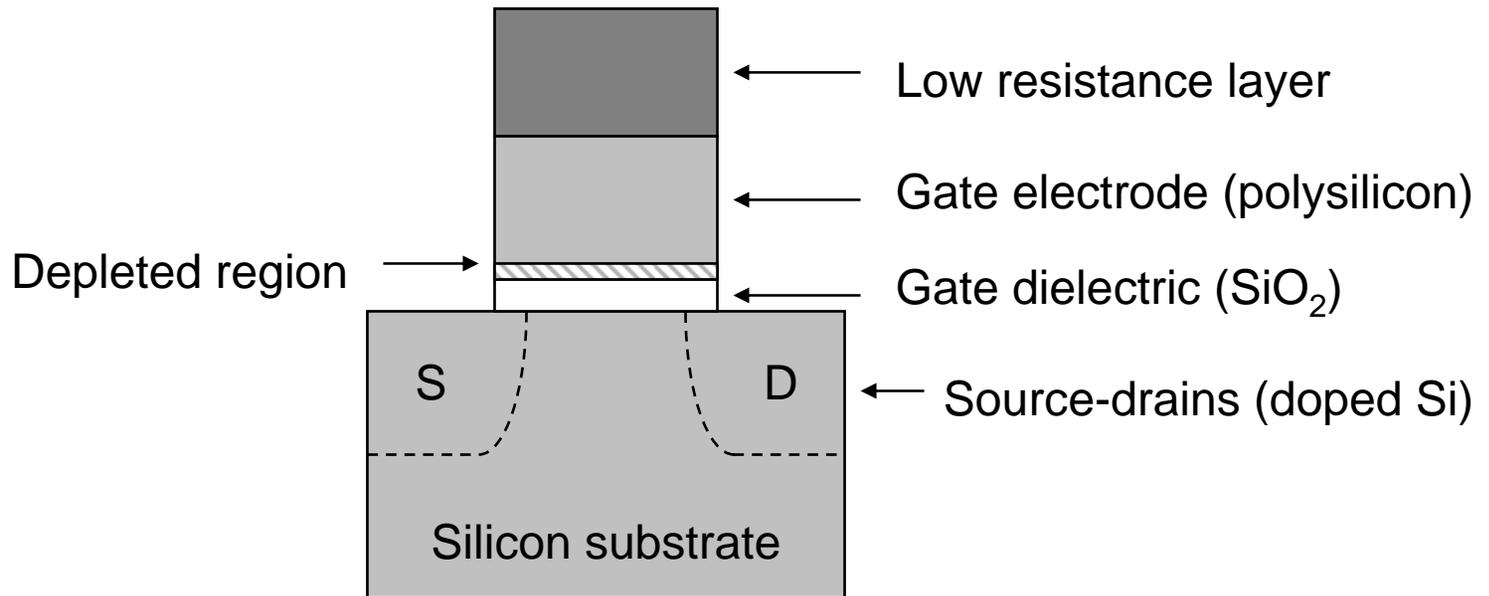
Thinning the gate dielectric increases gate electrode coupling to the Si channel (increases gate field effect) and helps to increase “on” current and reduce “off” current

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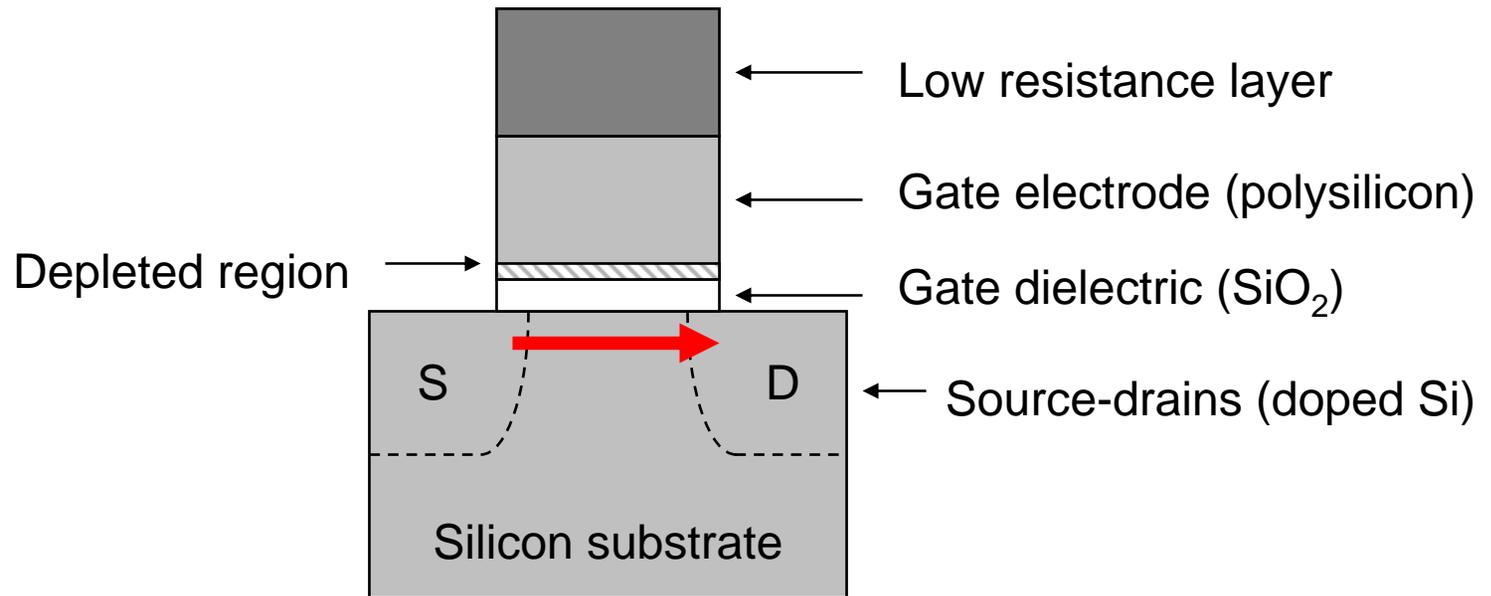
Thinning the gate dielectric too much can cause leakage current to flow through the normally insulating gate dielectric

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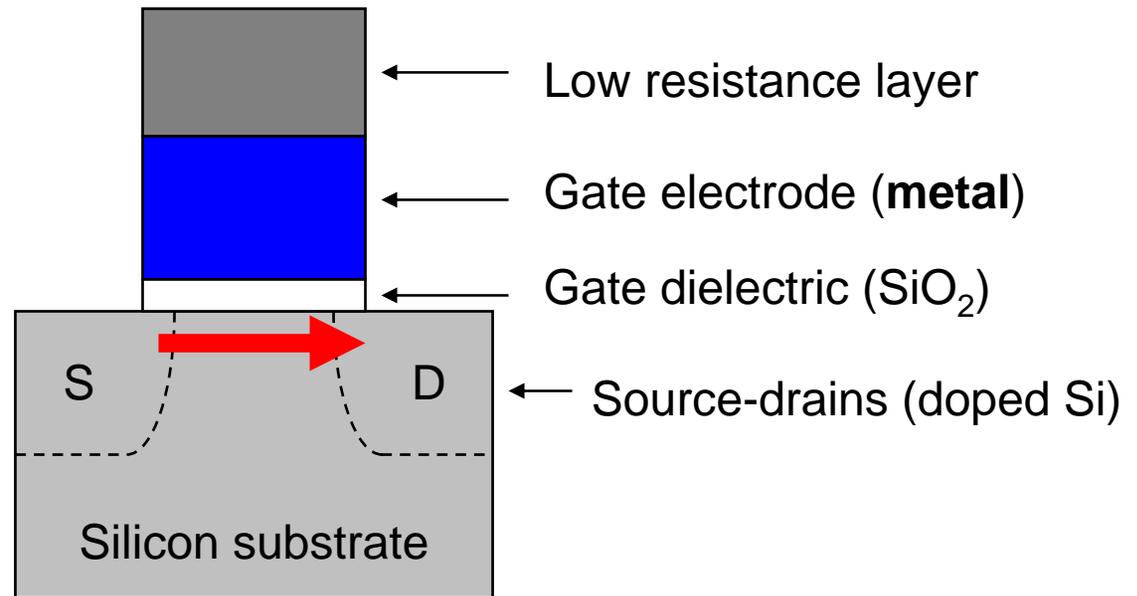
During normal operation a thin region depleted of conducting carriers is formed at the bottom of polysilicon gates, resulting in an undesired increase in the effective thickness of the gate dielectric

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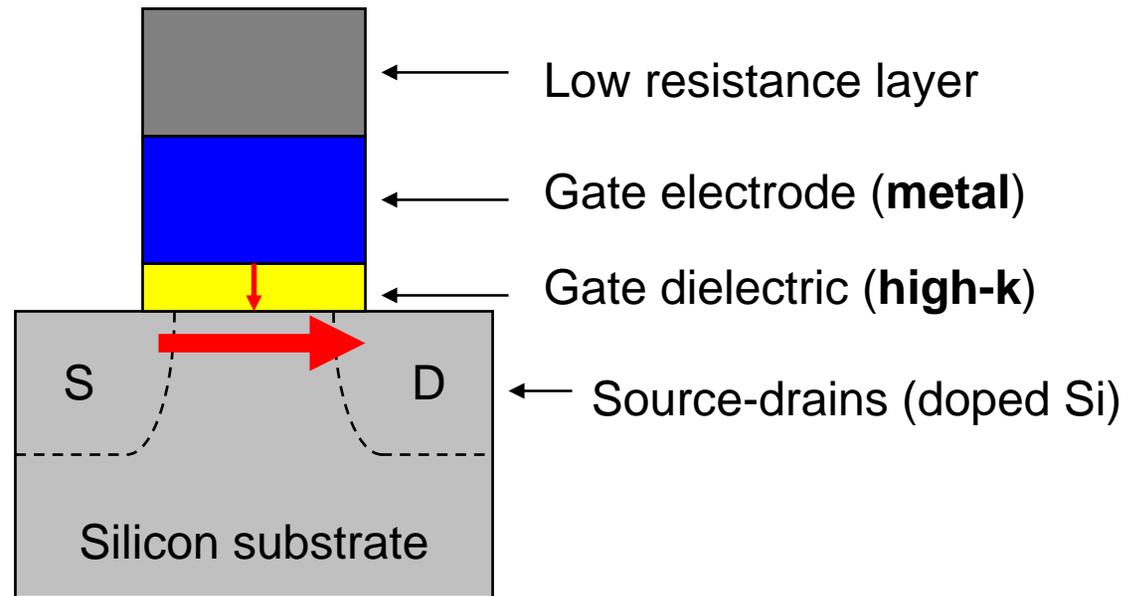
The thicker effective gate dielectric results in degraded “on” current and increased “off” current

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Converting the polysilicon gate electrode to metal eliminates the depleted region and increases the gate field effect resulting in increased “on” current and decreased “off” current

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Converting SiO_2 gate dielectric to high-k allows thickening the dielectric layer while also increasing the gate field effect resulting in increased “on” current, decreased “off” current and significantly decreased gate leakage