Lecture 1 Course Overview and Why You Should Care

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ECE 230L, Duke University

Introduction to Microelectronic Devices and Circuits

FALL 2017

Outline

- Overview of course policies
- Piazza
- Socrative
- History of the transistor
- Moore's Law
- Computing from MOSFETs
- Why circuits matter

Syllabus

- Office hours
- Textbook
 - E-Book Introduction to Microelectronic Devices and Circuits. ISBN 9781121962194.
 - Students can purchase the e-book directly from McGraw-Hill using a credit card by logging into https://create.mheducation.com/shop/ and searching by ISBN (note that the instructor name listed may not be accurate, but if the School is "Duke University" and the title is correct, then it is the right book).
- Grading criteria

Homework 20%

– Quizzes 10%

Laboratory 10%

Midterms (2) 15% each

Final Exam20%

Laboratory

- Lab section of course runs as a completely separate operation under direction of Kip Coonley
 - Begins: THIS WEEK!
 - Location: Hudson Hall 02H (basement)
 - No lab notebook required
 - You MUST attend your specific lab section you are registered for
- The lab is a key component of this course and will correlate with the material covered in lecture
- Questions about the lab should be directed to the lab TAs or tagged with the "lab" category in Piazza

Attendance, Homework and Quizzes

Attendance

Attending every lecture is crucial to your grade in this course

Homework

- Exam questions will be very similar to the HW questions, so understanding the HW is critical
- HW will be due at the very beginning of lecture on the indicated due date. NO LATE HW WILL BE ACCEPTED (see syllabus)

Quizzes

- Held ~once per week at the very beginning of lecture (see schedule)
- Will focus primarily on material from that day's scheduled reading assignment (see schedule)

TAs

- Lab TAs
 - Run the lab and are available for assistance with lab-related work
- Course TAs
 - Hold office hours for homework & course content help
 - Grade homework (discuss grading errors directly with them)

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GTAs: Steven Noyce (steven.noyce@duke.edu) (Lecture, office hour: Fri. 10–11am, CIEMAS 3<sup>rd</sup> floor)

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Michael Kuryshev (michael.kuryshev@duke.edu) (Lab 04L F 10:05AM–1:05PM)
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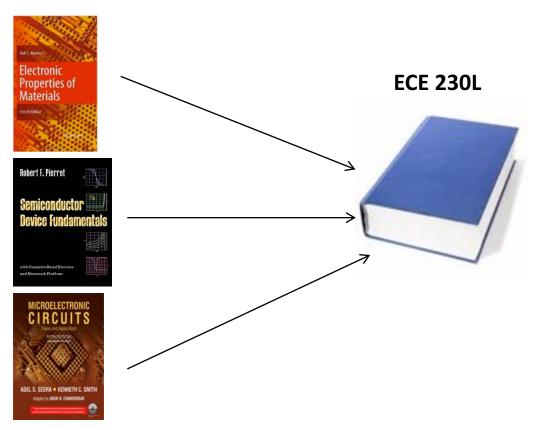
Schedule

Date	Lab		Lecture	Reading	HW/Quiz
T, 8/29		Semiconductor Materials	Course overview		
1, 3, 23	SMIF Intro		The Big Picture: Why Care About This Course?		
Th, 8/31			Crystal Structure of Solids	pg. 9-32	
T, 9/5	SMIF Tour		Quantum Theory of Solids (band structure)	pg. 34-48	Quiz #1
Th, 9/7			Quantum Theory of Solids (electrical transport)	pg. 48-81	HW #1 due
T, 9/12	Photolith I		Thermal Equilibrium	pg. 82-131	Quiz #2
Th, 9/14			Carrier Transport (drift)	pg. 132-147	HW #2 due
T, 9/19	Dh at alith		Carrier Transport (diffusion)	pg. 148-155	Quiz #3
Th, 9/21	Photolith II		pn Junction Diodes (junction under zero-bias and reverse-bias)	pg. 169-190	HW #3 due
T, 9/26	pn Junction Diodes P-Spice		pn Junction Diodes (junction under forward bias, ideal	pg. 204-232,	Quiz #4
			diode, deviations from ideal, light emitting diode)	290-296	
Th, 9/28			EXAM 1 – Semiconductor Materials		
T, 10/3		ces	pn Junction Diodes (small-signal equivalent circuit, diode transients)	pg. 232-245, 425-430	HW #4 due
Th, 10/5	Circuit Simulatn		pn Junction Diodes (large-signal analysis, half-wave rectifier)	pg. 416-425, 449-453	Quiz #5
T, 10/10	NO LAB		FALL BREAK		
Th, 10/12			MOSFETs (MOS capacitors)	pg. 313-336	HW #5 due
T, 10/17	Project		MOSFETs (capacitance-voltage characteristics)	pg. 336-345	Quiz #6
Th, 10/19	Intro		MOSFETs (basic MOSFET operation)	pg. 345-364	HW #6 due
T, 10/24			MOSFETs (small-signal equivalent circuit, CMOS	pg. 364-373,	Quiz #7
	MOSFET		technology, circuit symbols)	519-523	
Th, 10/26	WIOSIEI		Digital (NMOS inverters)	pg. 547-550, 836-850	HW #7 due
T, 10/31	MOSFET	nodel assic igital ircuits Jultistage	Digital (CMOS inverters and logic gates)	pg. 861-885	Quiz #8
Th, 11/2	Model		EXAM 2 – Devices		
T, 11/7	Basic		Analog (DC Biasing of MOSFET circuits)	pg. 528-543	HW #8 due
Th, 11/9	Digital Circuits		Analog (common-source MOSFET amplifier)	pg. 550-551, 587-608	
T, 11/14	Multistage		Analog (common-drain, common-gate MOSFET amplifiers)	pg. 609-620	Quiz #9
Th, 11/16	Amplifiers		Analog (single-stage MOSFET IC, multistage amplifiers)	pg. 620-626, 629-640	HW #9 due
T, 11/21	NOLAR		Analog (operational amplifier)	pg. 672-692	Quiz #10
Th, 11/23	NO LAB		THANKSGIVING BREAK		
T, 11/28			Analog (operational amplifier applications)	pg. 692-708	HW #10 due
Th, 11/30	Op-Amp		The Big Picture: Why does this matter? Future directions		Quiz #11
T, 12/5	Project		"Create Final Exam" project		HW #11 due
Th, 12/7	Demos		Course Review for Final Exam		
Sa, 12/16			FINAL EXAM, 2pm – 5pm – Comprehensive		

Perspective on how much we have to cover

We have a TON of material to get through!

Typical full courses



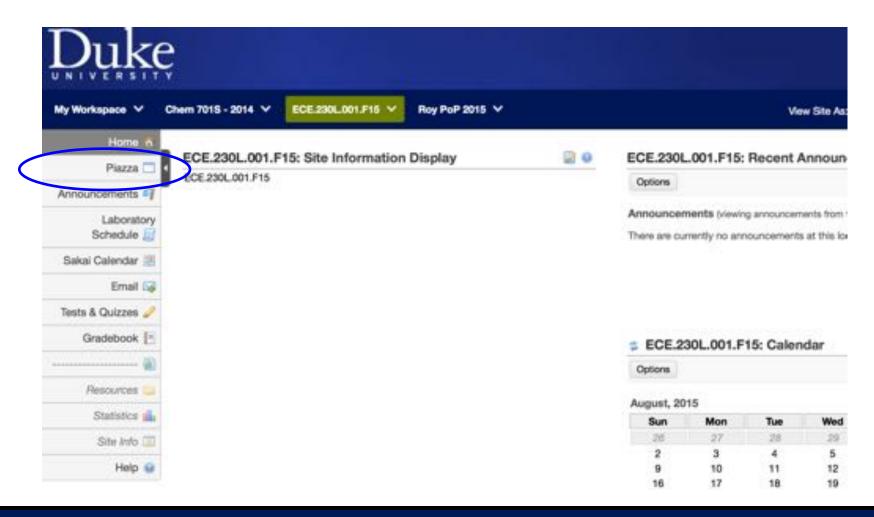
Studying the textbook in addition to lecture will be essential!

Piazza

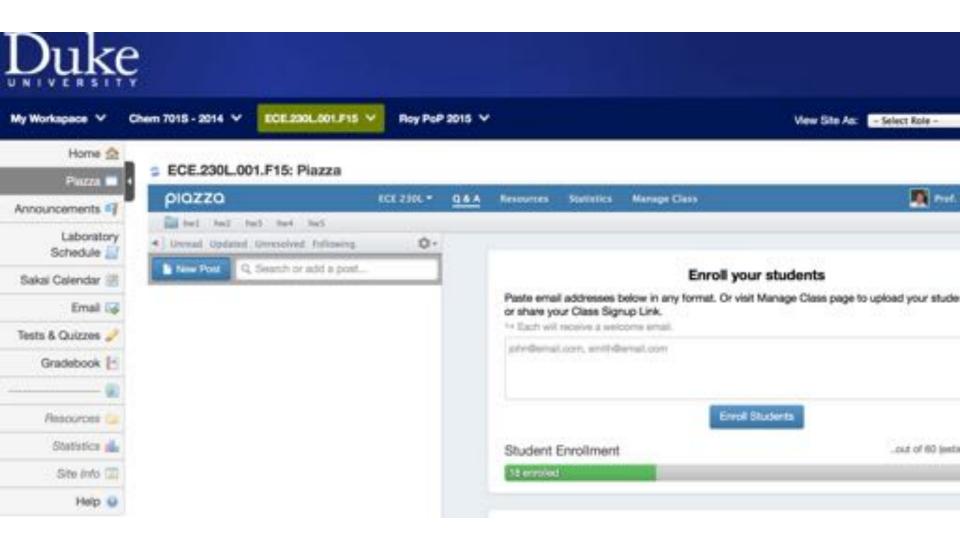
- All homework and lab questions should be posted on Piazza rather than emailed to professor/TAs
 - Only exception is for personal communications
 - These posts can be made anonymous to the rest of the class!
- Students are welcome to 'discuss' posted questions via Piazza, but do not simply give the answer to a HW problem!
- All course files will be posted under the "Resources" tab on the Piazza site

Accessing Piazza

- OPTION 1: Go straight to <u>www.piazza.com</u>
- OPTION 2: Use tab in Sakai:

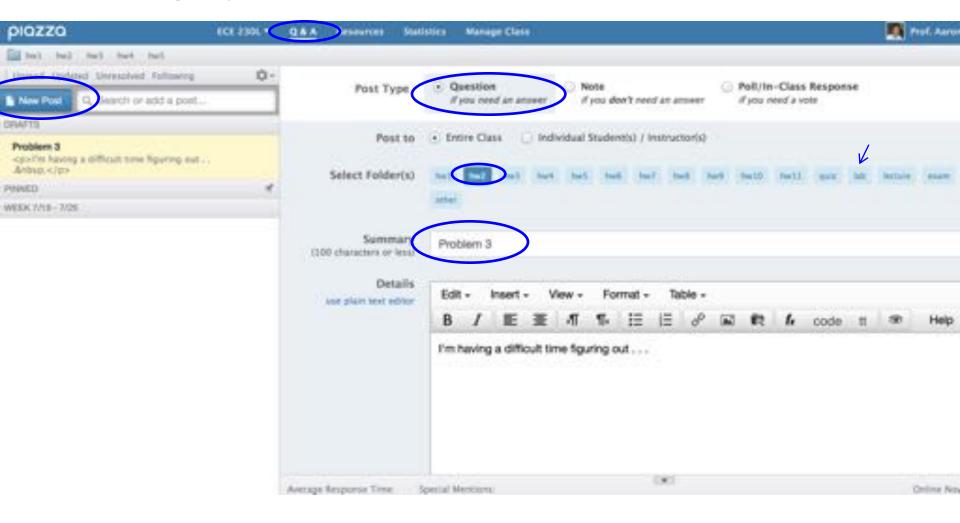


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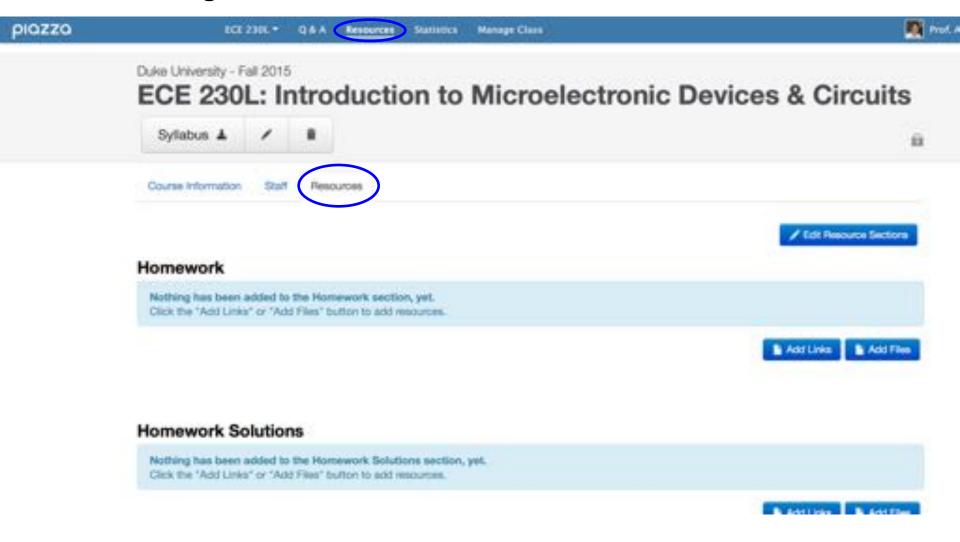
Quick Piazza Overview

Posting a question:



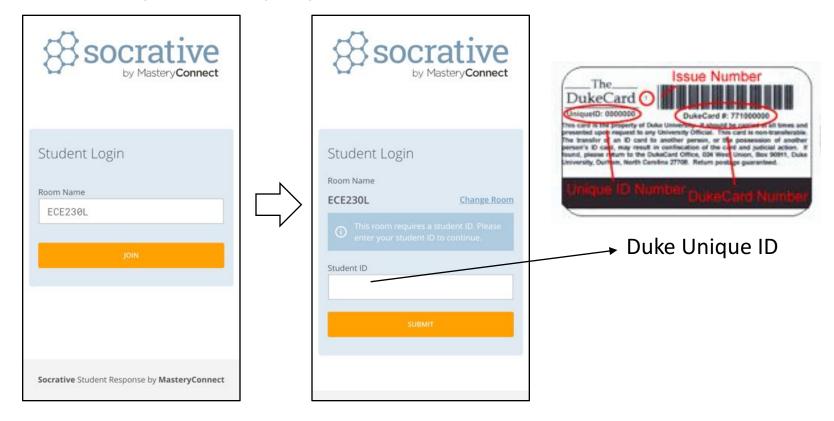
Quick Piazza Overview

Accessing files:



Socrative for quizzes

- We will use Socrative (<u>www.socrative.com</u>) <u>for all quizzes</u> and occasionally for in-class exercises.
- Socrative can be readily accessed with any internet-connected device (smartphone, laptop, etc.):

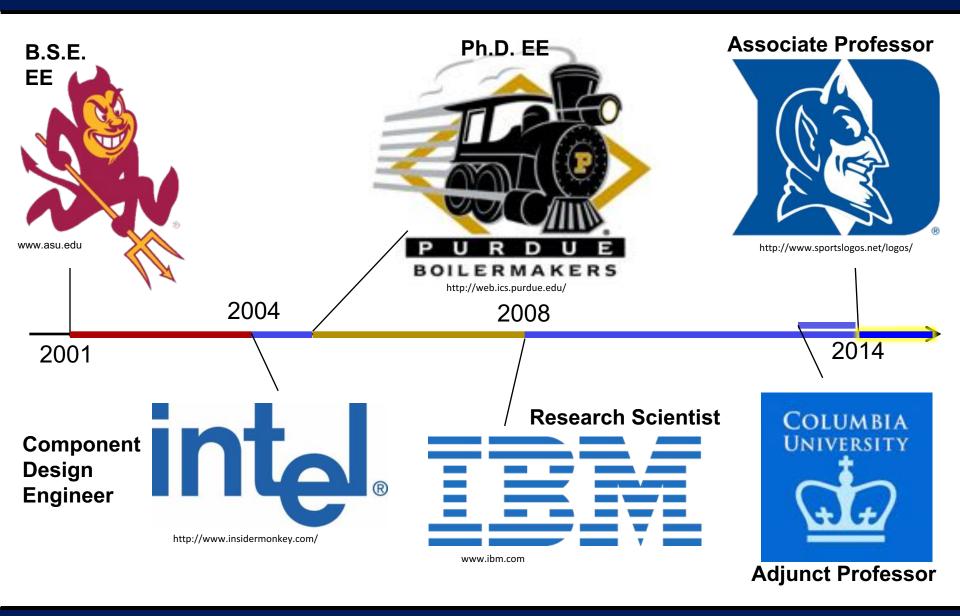


Socrative for quizzes

Socrative test

 If you have any issues with accessing Socrative, please let me know!

My background . . . through logos and mascots



Course overview

What <u>can</u> you learn?

- Why a semiconductor is a semiconductor based on the arrangement of its atoms.
- How the conducting behavior of semiconductors can be modified by "doping."
- What happens when you connect two disparately doped semiconductor regions to form a p-n junction.
- How charge carriers move through semiconductor material and junctions.
- How junctions are put together to create transistors/MOSFETs.
- How MOSFETs are connected to yield digital circuits.
- How MOSFETs are used to yield basic analog circuits.
- What basic applications there are for analog circuits.
- How an operational amplifier works and can be used.

Looking back ...

Advertisement from 1961 (General Electric)





Zooming in...



www.usatoday.com



strand What enables electronics? of hair Zooming in... **BILLIONS** of transistors! ~100,000 nm ~100 nm (100 x 10⁻⁹ m) one transistor one transistor www.reddit.com

Zooming in...

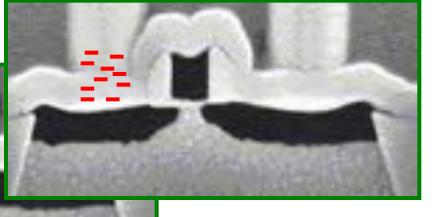
It's a switch . . .

OFF: electric current doesn't flow

ON: current flows



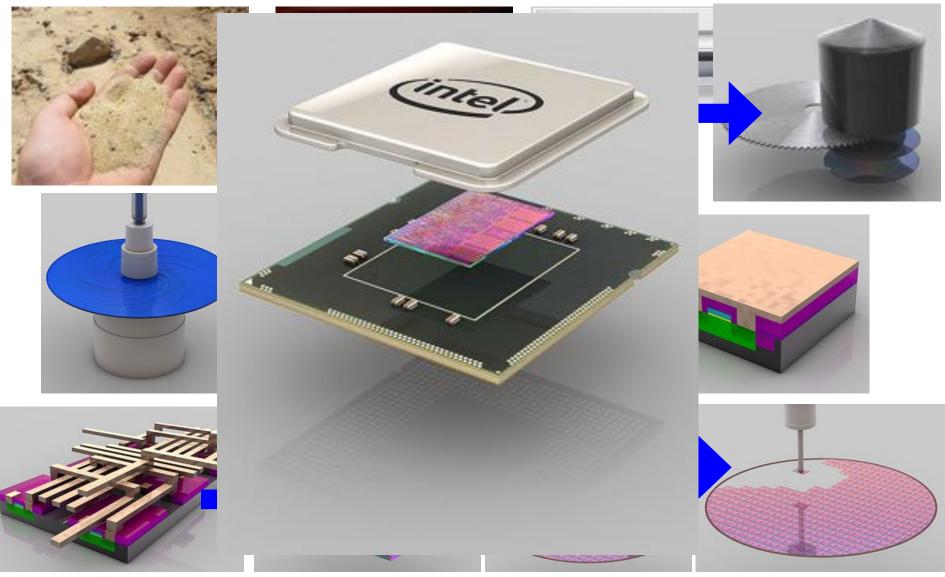
Properly combining these 0's (off) and 1's (on) switches together yields computation (not just a math thing!).



The more transistors you can put together (properly), the more you can do (faster electronics).

ALL electronics are enabled by a microprocessor brain that is a chip of BILLIONS of transistors!

Side note: How do you make silicon transistors?



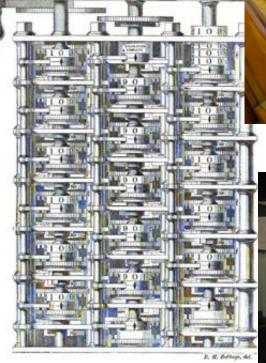
http://apcmag.com/picture-gallery-how-a-chip-is-made.htm/

Looking back ...

Ada Lovelace (1840's, England)



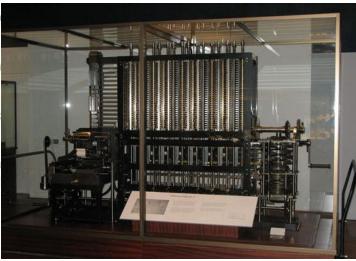
"First computer programmer"



Charles Babbage's "difference engine"—first programmable computer



Late 1800's: Mechanical computers



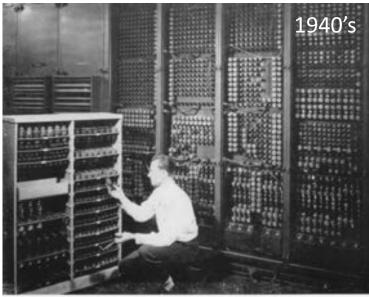
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First: The vacuum tube



1918

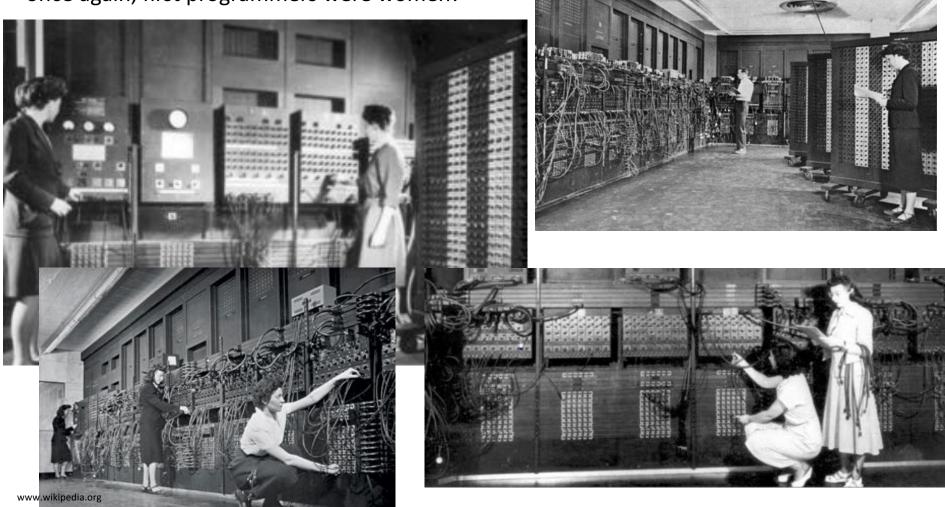
- → Applying voltage to a filament and plate allows for rectification, amplification, or switching of electrical signals.
- → Crucial role in development of radio communications and early computing.



a bad tube meant checking among ENIAC's 19,000 possibilities.

• Looking back ...

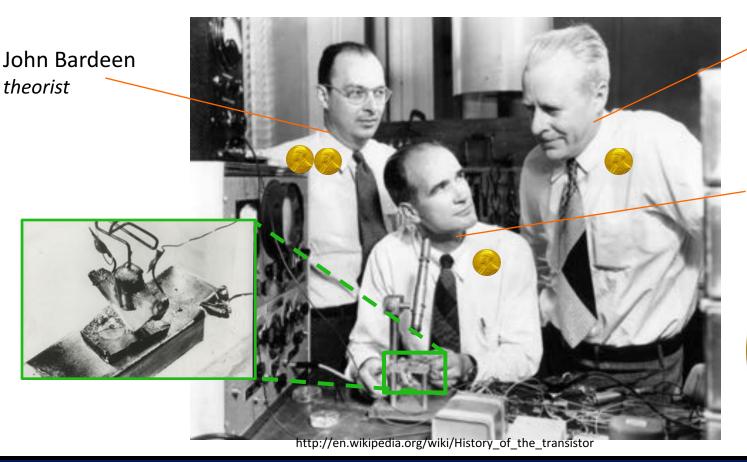
once again, first programmers were women!



Bell labs pursues understanding of semiconductor physics and

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the transistor was born.

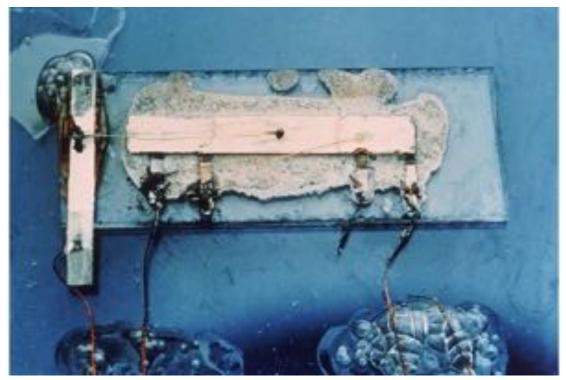


Walter Brattain experimentalist

William Shockley management / ideas



Integrated circuit (IC) made the transistor revolutionary



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Integrated circuit

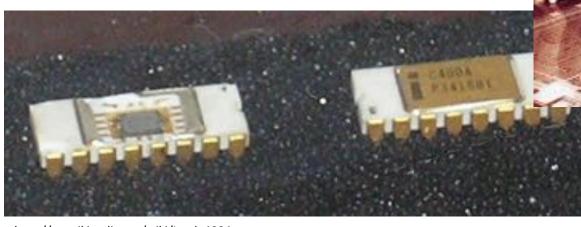




Jack Kilby (TI) → germanium and first patent (1959)

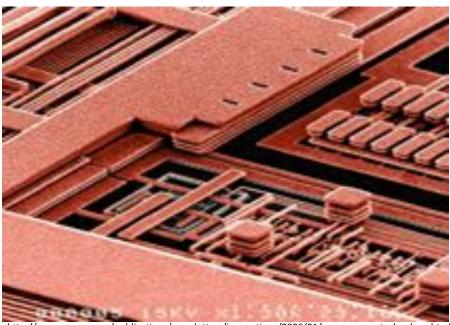
Robert Noyce (Fairchild) → silicon and first full technology (1960's)

- Looking back ...
- → IC's used mostly by government for first few years
- → First consumer IC, microprocessor (Intel 4004)
 - -1971
 - 2,300 transistors

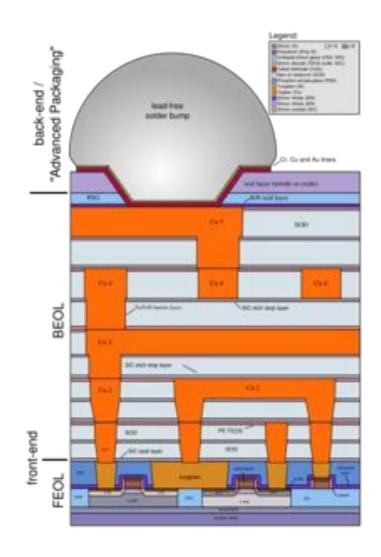


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• $SSI \rightarrow MSI \rightarrow LSI \rightarrow VLSI \rightarrow ULSI$

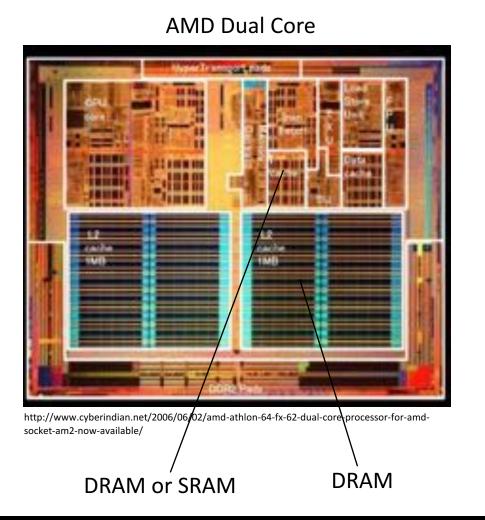


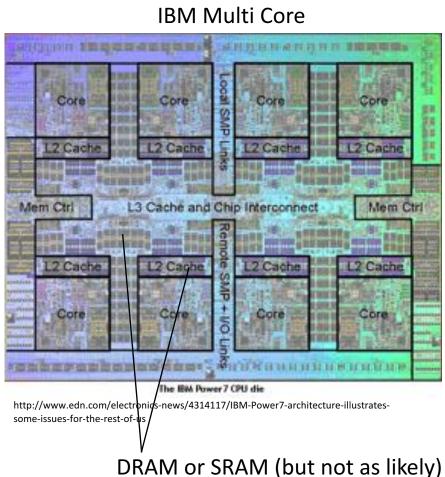
http://www.copper.org/publications/newsletters/innovations/2006/01/copper_nanotechnology.html



Importance of memory devices

Allocation of chip real estate—how much is memory (cache)?





Moore's Law

 Gordon Moore working at Fairchild Semiconductor made an observation in 1965:



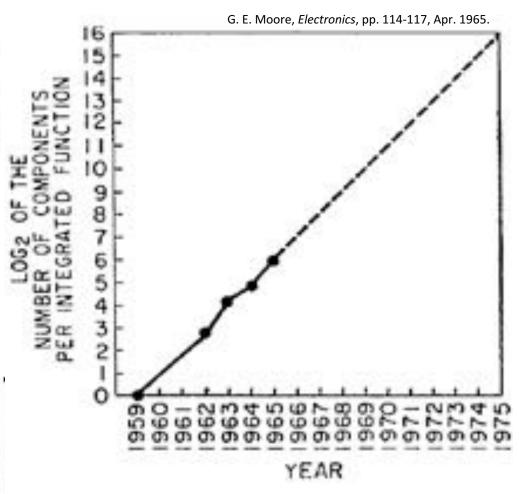
G. E. Moore is one of the new breed of electronic engineers, schooled in the physical sciences rather than in electronics. He earned a B.S. degree in chemistry from the University of California and a Ph.D. degree in physical chemistry from the California Institute of Technology. He was one of the founders of Fairchild Semiconductor and has been Director of the research and development laboratories since 1959.

VII. HEAT PROBLEM

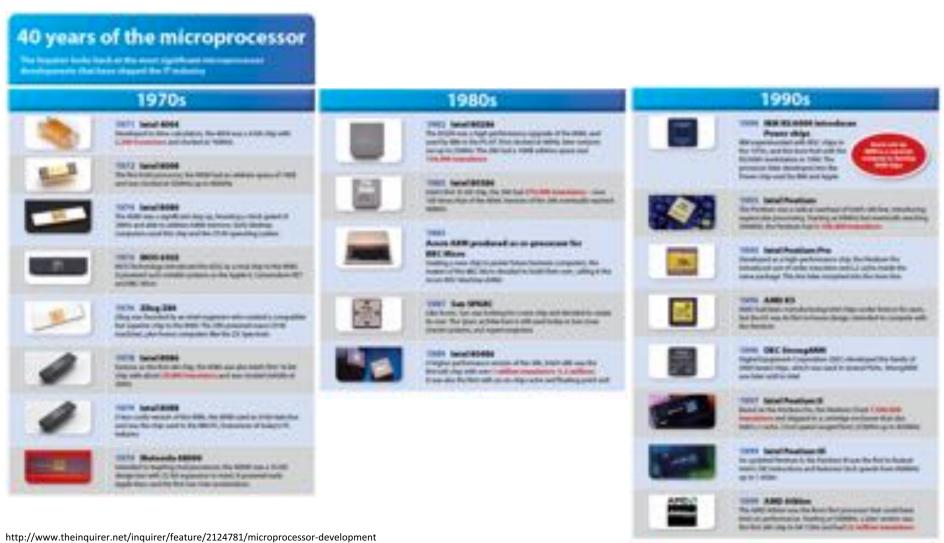
Will it be possible to remove the heat generated by tens of thousands of components in a single silicon chip?

If we could shrink the volume of a standard highspeed digital computer to that required for the components themselves, we would expect it to glow brightly with present power dissipation. But it won't happen with integrated circuits. Since integrated electronic structures are



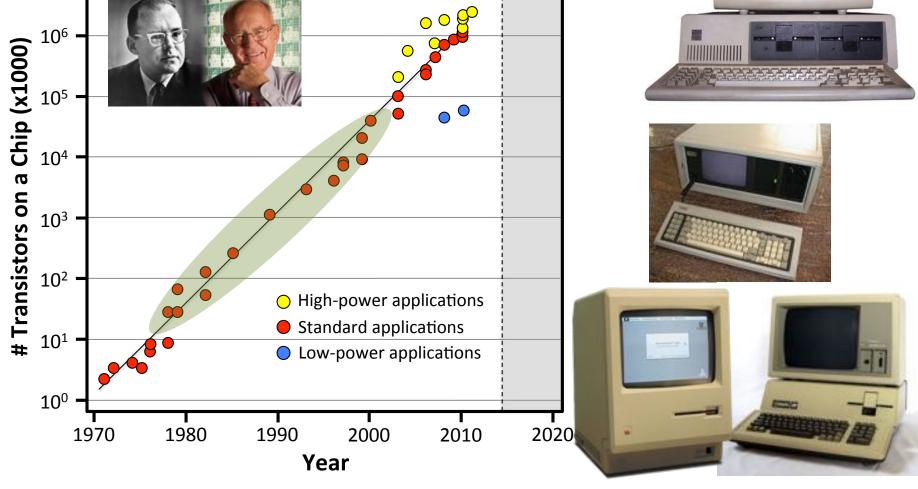


Looking back ... <u>Moore's law</u> – 70s – 90s



ECE 230L, Lecture 1

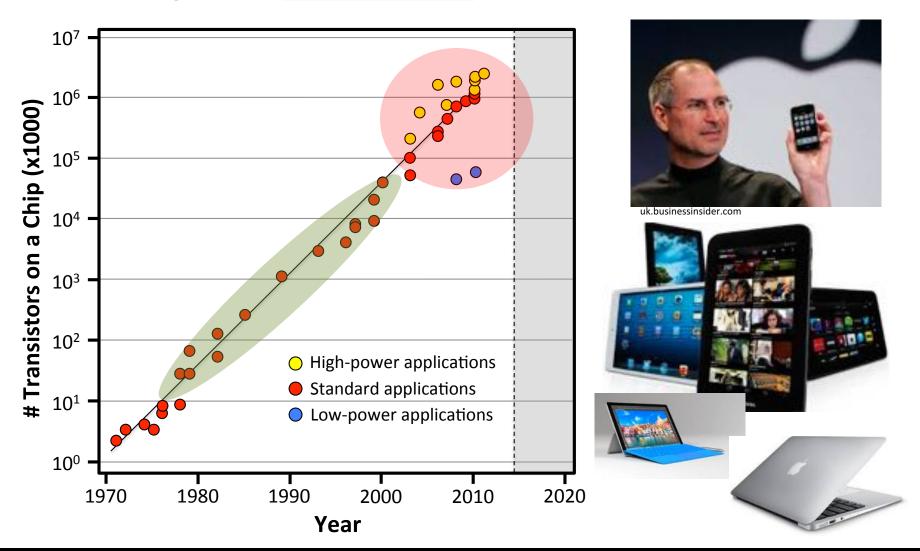
Zooming out ... Moore's law – 70s – 90s 10^{7} **IBM PC** 10⁶ **10**⁵ 10^{4}



Zooming out ... <u>Moore's law</u> – 70s – 90s



Zooming out ... Moore's law – 00s to now



Think of everything this has made possible!

Zooming out ... Moore's law – 00s to now

