

PLANAR HKMG CMOS

PART A: BASELINE DESCRIPTION

**ECE 595 Semiconductor Device
Integration Through Simulation**

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Planar HKMG CMOS Flow: Textbook Example

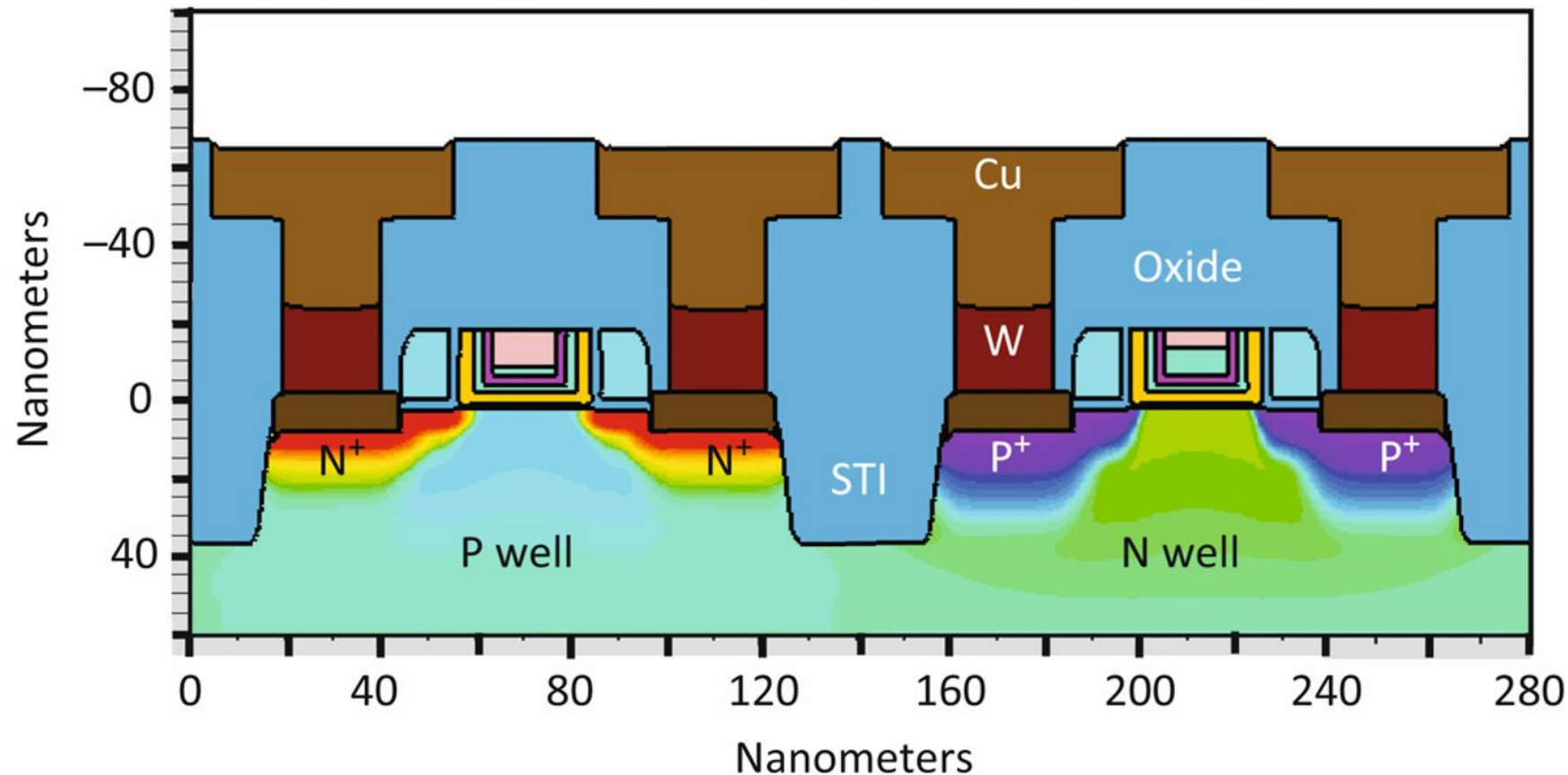
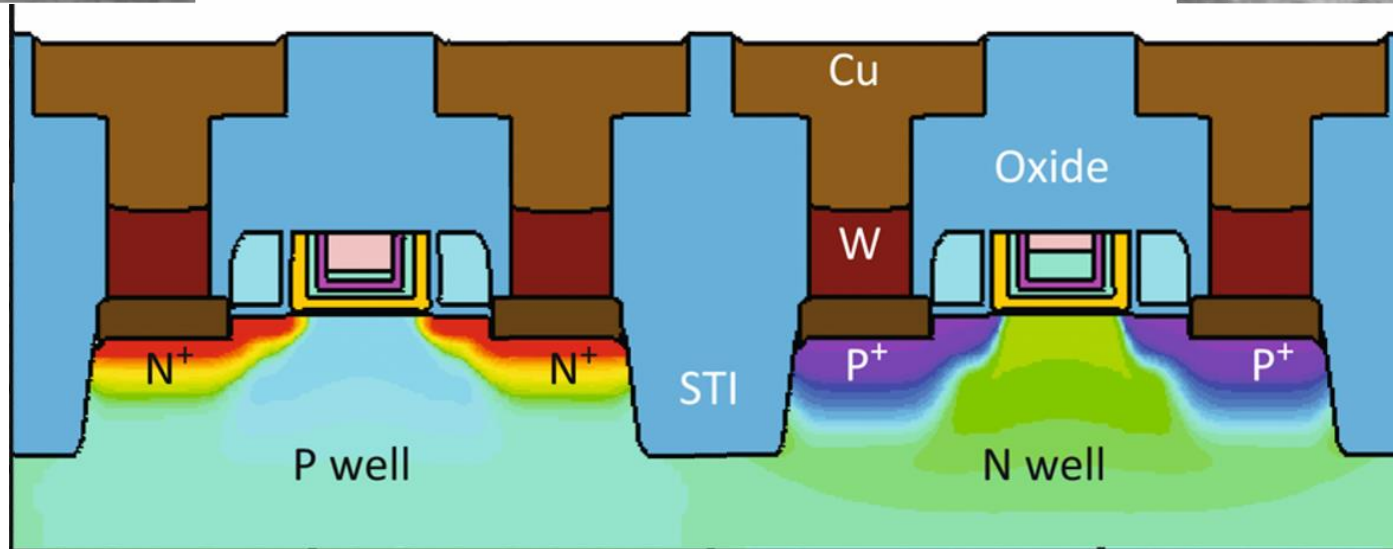
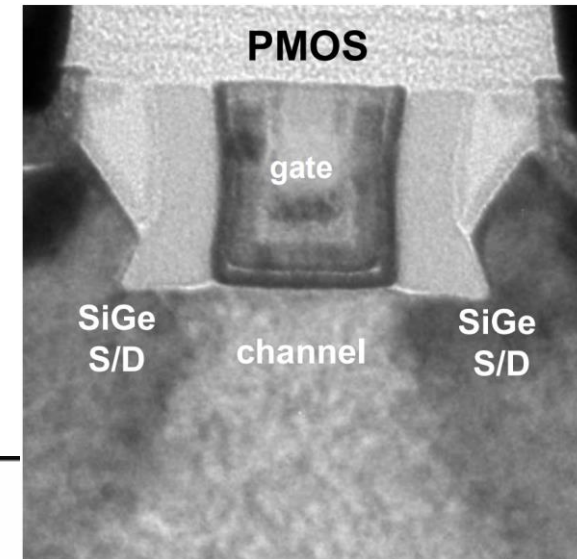
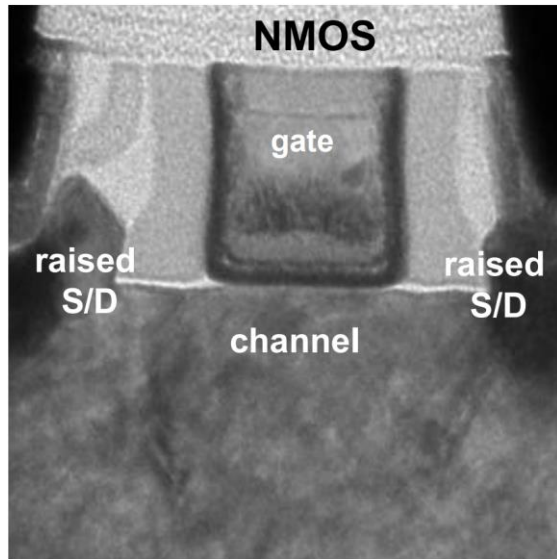


Figure 2.2 from ICFS&T (reversed)

28nm Gates (poly), 30nm Isolation, 140nm N-P space

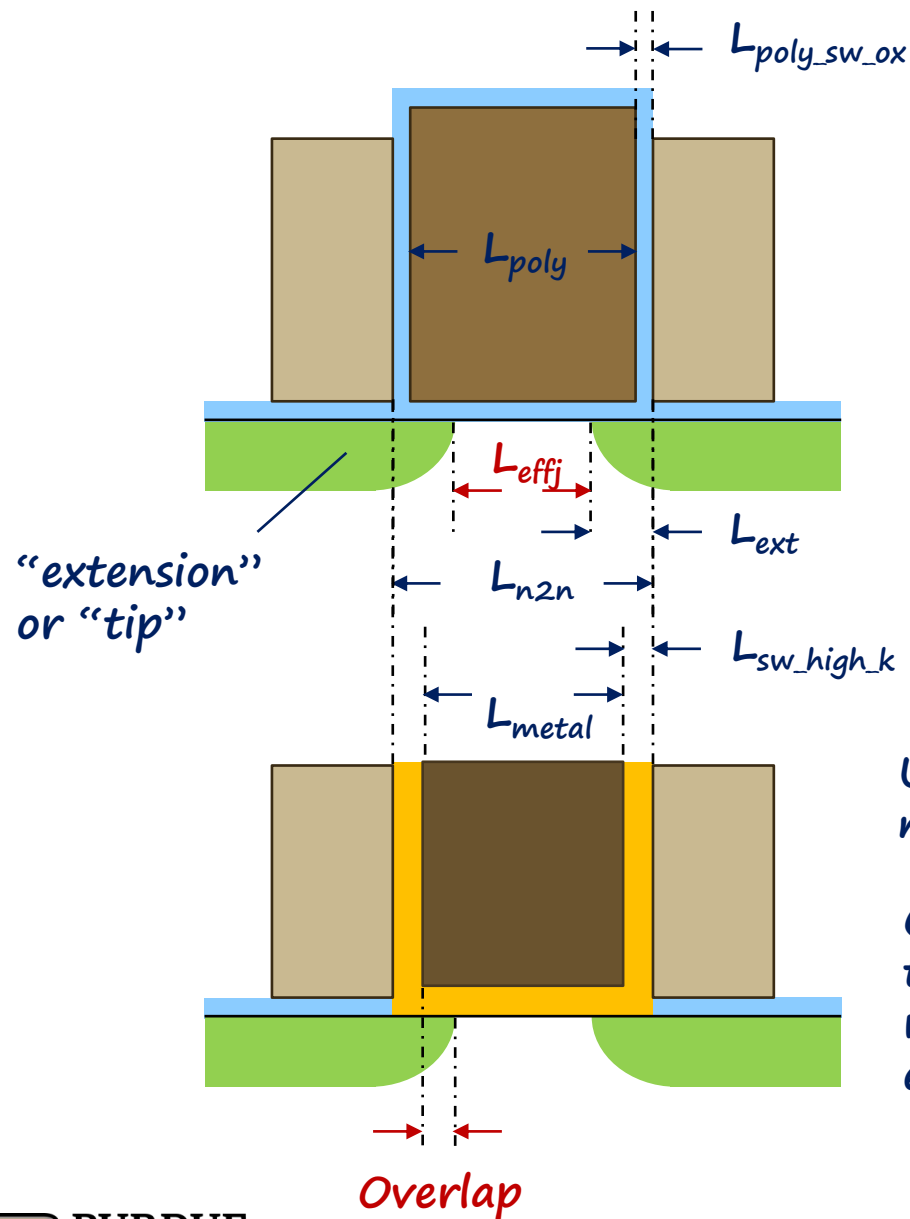
1nm SiO₂ with 3nm HfO₂ (gate metal length ~21nm)

Planar HKMG CMOS Flow: Comparison with SEM Cross-Sections



Cross-sections from "High Performance 32nm Logic Technology Featuring 2nd Generation High-k + Metal Gate Transistors", Intel, IEDM 2009

Planar HKMG CMOS Flow: Replacement Metal Gate Geometry



$$\text{Nitride-to-nitride} = L_{n2n} = L_{poly} + 2 * L_{poly_sw_ox}$$

$$\text{Tip-to-tip} = L_{effj} = L_{n2n} - 2 * L_{ext}$$

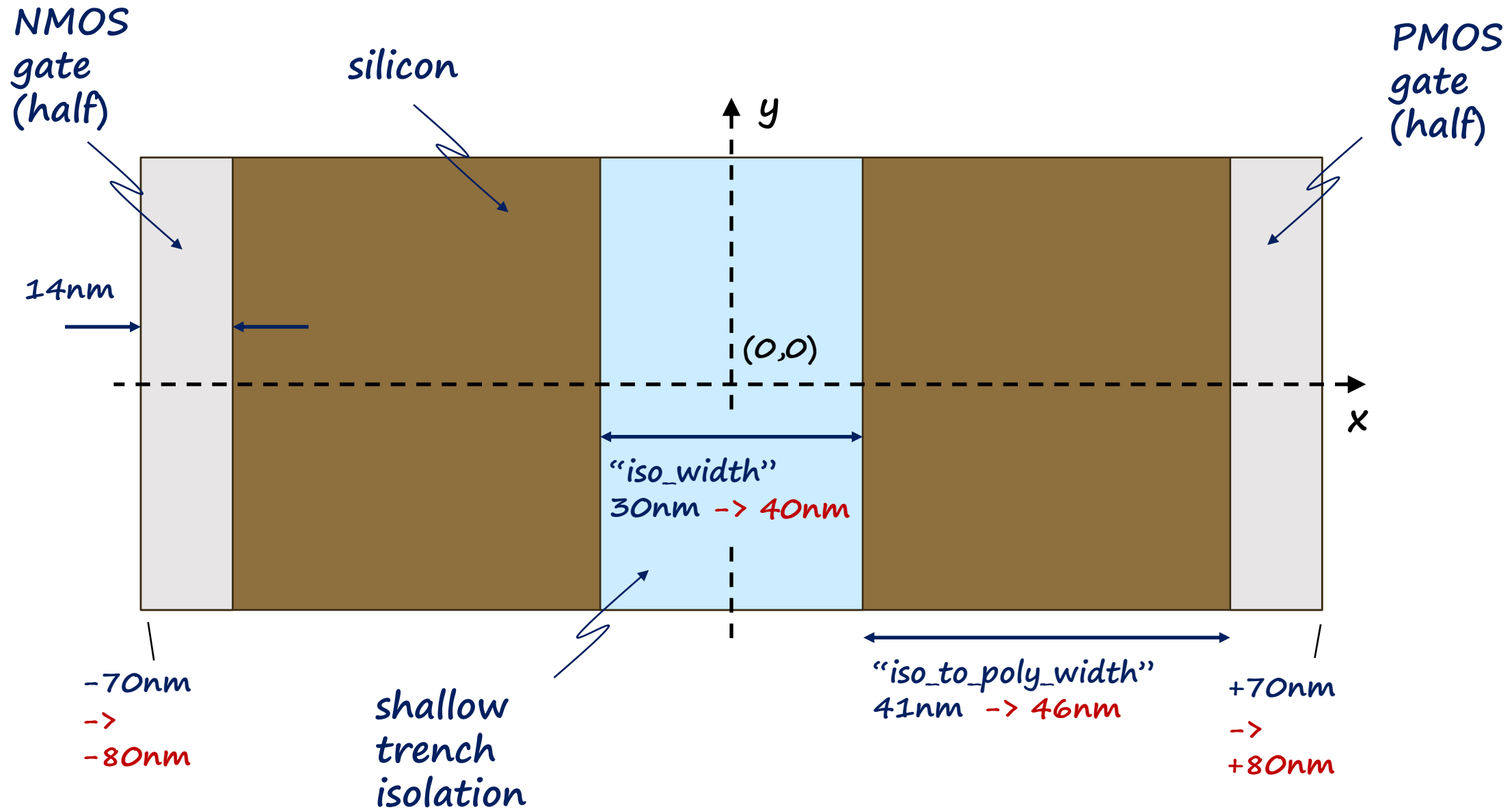
$$L_{metal} = L_{n2n} - 2 * L_{sidewall_high_k}$$

$$\text{Overlap} = 0.5 * (L_{metal} - L_{effj}) = L_{sidewall_high_k} - L_{ext}$$

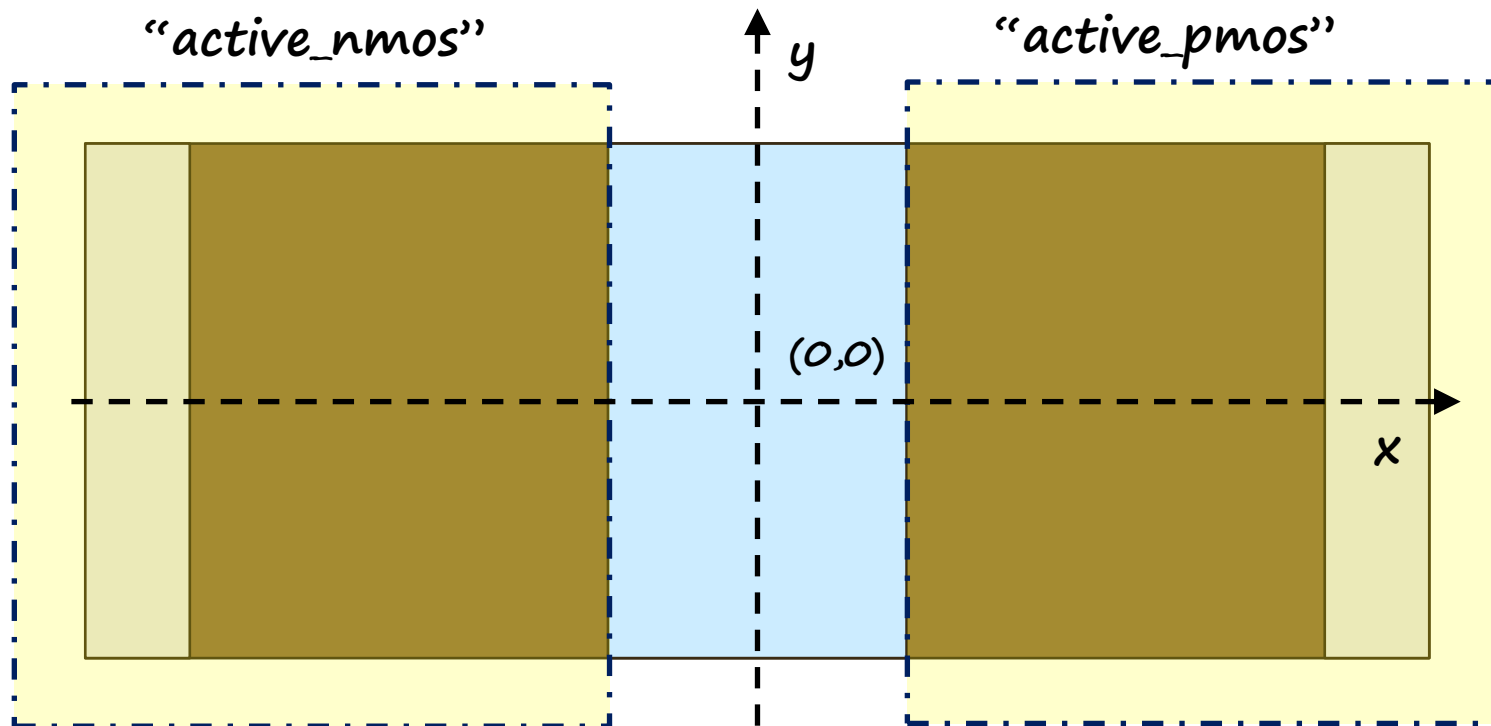
Unlike the case of a poly gate, the overlap does not depend on the poly sidewall oxide thickness.

Once an overlap target is set, the sidewall thickness of the dielectric stack determines the required extension side diffusion (and thus extension depth), or vice-versa.

Planar HKMG CMOS Flow: Layout



Planar HKMG CMOS Flow: Active Area Mask

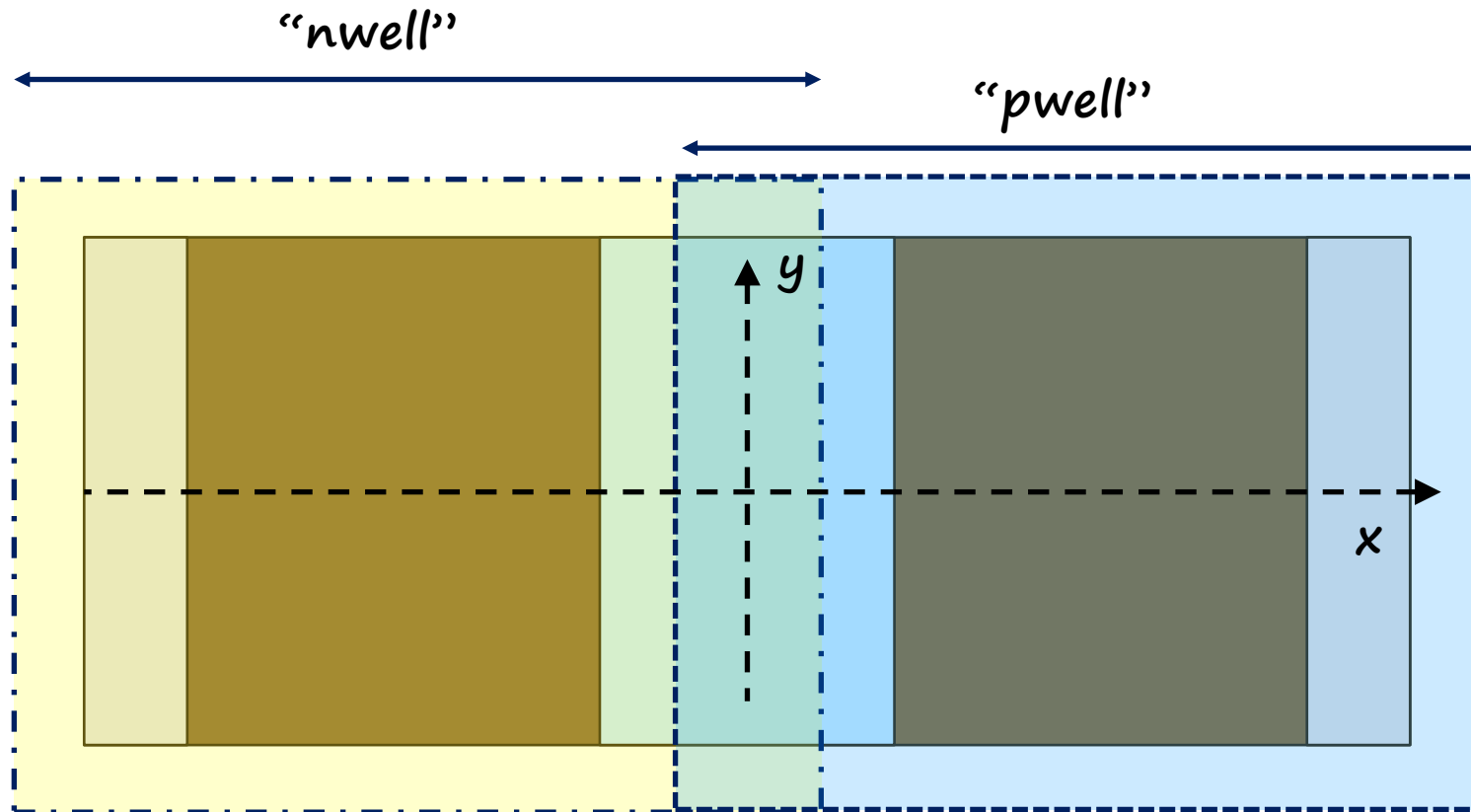


Note: 2D simulation in X-Z plane; y-dimension is arbitrarily set to +/- 0.1 (must enclose y=0)

Active Area mask, "active", is the Boolean "or" of two rectangles, "active_nmos" and "active_pmos"

(Resist will cover the areas to be protected from STI silicon etch.)

Planar HKMG CMOS Flow: Well Masks



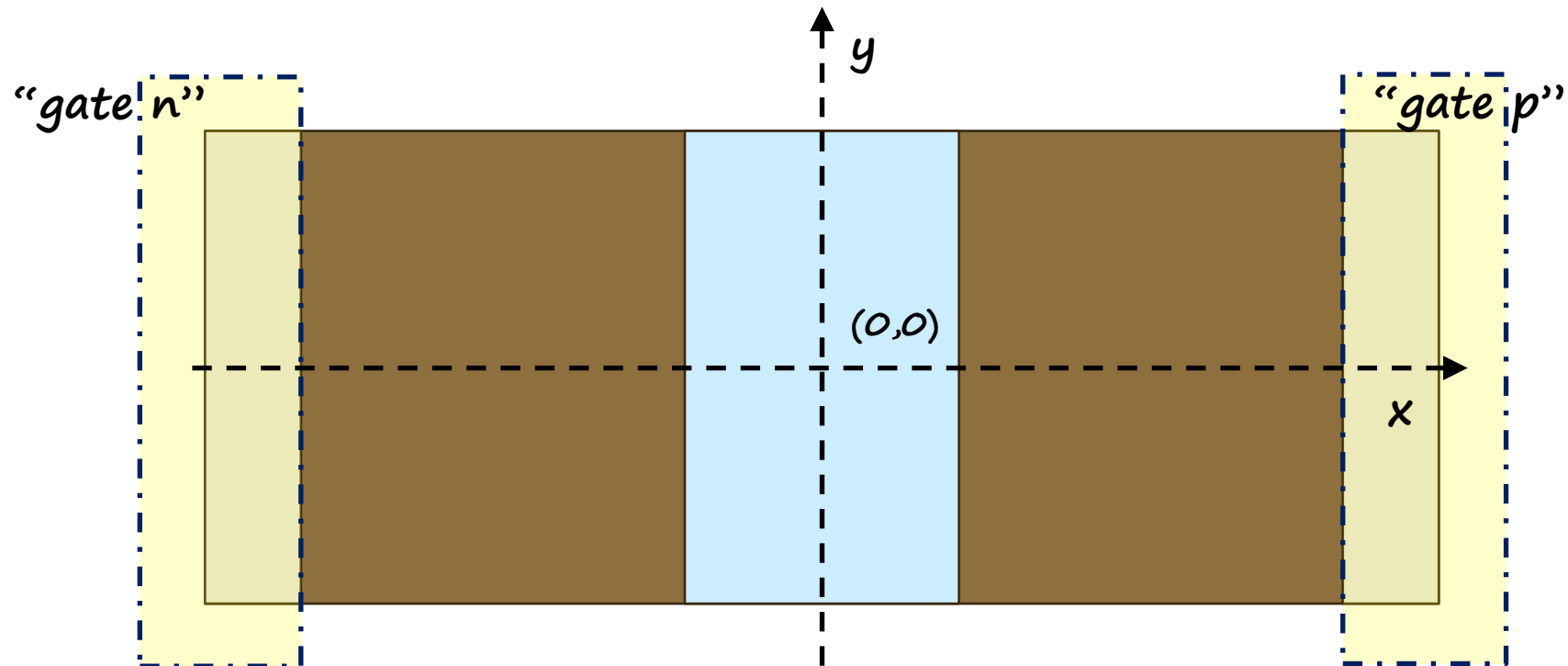
Masks can overlap in the center region to increase margin for lateral dopant diffusion.

Overlap is controlled by a parameter named "well_overlap" ; originally set to zero, but increasing to 10nm.

N-well implant (phosphorus) goes into the PMOS side; resist rectangle covers NMOS side (negative x)

P-well implant (boron) goes into the NMOS side; resist rectangle covers PMOS side (positive x)

Planar HKMG CMOS Flow: Gate Mask



Gate mask, "gate" is the boolean "or" of two rectangles, "gate_n" and "gate_p"

Planar HKMG CMOS Flow: Process Sequence with Load Points

oxide/nitride hardmask dep
hardmask nitride etch
using active mask
oxide and silicon etch
based on nitride hardmask

liner oxidation (800C 30m dry)
- first load point (stiliner)
conformal oxide deposition (150nm)
CMP into nitride
nitride strip
oxide wet etch and re-oxidation
- second load point (sti)

P well mask and implant
N well mask and implant
well diffusion
- third load point (well)
N vt mask and implant
P vt mask and implant
- fourth load point (vt)
oxide etch

sacrificial gate oxide deposition
poly gate deposition
poly CMP
nitride hardmask deposition
hardmask patterning with gate mask
poly etch
poly re-oxidation (deposited)
- fifth load point (polyreox)

mask, nhalo and ntip implants
mask, phalo and ptip implants
anneal
- sixth load point (flash)
spacer deposition and etch

mask, N source/drain
mask, P source/drain
anneal
- seventh load point (sd)

silicide (silicon etch and NiSi deposition)
oxide deposition and CMP
poly pull
sacrificial gate etch

high-k gate deposition
TiN/TaN deposition
TiN deposition
- eighth load point (highk)

masked TiN partial etch
aluminum deposition
metal gate CMP

Planar HKMG CMOS Flow: Simulation Output

tedungan@nanohub-2449665-123:~/planar/cmos_shallow

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[tedungan@nanohub-2449665-123 cmos_shallow]$ ls
oxidationtime.log      pmos_1_29.str          sv_pmos_1_polyreox.lay
pmos_1_01.str          pmos_1_30.str          sv_pmos_1_polyreox.ppc
pmos_1_02.str          pmos_1_31.str          sv_pmos_1_polyreox.prp
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pmos_1_04.str          pmos_1_33.str          sv_pmos_1_polyreox.svf
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pmos_1_07.str          pmos_1_36.str          sv_pmos_1_sd.ppc
pmos_1_08.str          pmos_1_37.str          sv_pmos_1_sd.pprp
pmos_1_09.str          pmos_1_38.str          sv_pmos_1_sd.run
pmos_1_10.str          pmos_1_39.str          sv_pmos_1_sd.svf
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after device portion of deck

blue: output from IV characterization

output from running process portion of deck

green: sequential 2D structure files

purple: final 1D cutline files

brown: load point files

gold: final save for use by mesh and device

red: input parameters and extracted dimensions

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