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**CMOS BASELINE PROCESS  
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*Abstract*

This project describes the characterization of the Berkeley CMOS Baseline, a joint project by several research groups. The process supports 2  $\mu\text{m}$  n-well technology, with double poly-Si, double metal, and defines the standard process modules in the Microlab. Statistical process control data, geometric design rules and BSIM3 SPICE model parameters are presented.

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# 1 Introduction

In an educational laboratory like the UC Berkeley Microfabrication Laboratory, each project is different and students need to identify a starting point from which they can carry on their own research. This is one of the reasons why the Microlab reestablished the baseline CMOS process in April 1992, based on the previous Microlab CMOS process [1]. The baseline also serves to monitor CMOS process equipment, to quickly discover and fix process problems, and to specify standard process modules for VLSI operations. We have developed both p-well and n-well, 2  $\mu\text{m}$ , double poly and double metal CMOS processes and while these are running we embarked upon developing a 1.3  $\mu\text{m}$ , twin-well, double poly, double metal CMOS process.

Our baseline provides “standard” CMOS circuits to various research groups. The advantage is that the designers are close to processing, can follow it in detail, can feedback their circuit performance results to process engineering and thus improve the process. The baseline has fabricated lots for several research groups: The Berkeley Sensor and Actuator Center (BSAC), the Berkeley Computer Aided Manufacturing (BCAM) group, the Solid-State Devices and Technology group, the Cryoelectronics Research group, and the Integrated Circuits group. The baseline process consists of standard steps. Each process step can also be used as a process module by different groups for their own process design.

Statistical process control (SPC) has been applied to the baseline. Standard in-line measurements have been established to monitor critical steps. The electrical test structures, designed by David Rodriguez [2] for testing on an automatic probe station, enable collection of statistical data. The test structures are placed in the scribe lanes of each wafer. Tests are performed on each wafer and

the resulting data are statistically analyzed to determine whether the process is in control.

During the development of our baseline process, we compared the n-well and p-well processes and found that the n-well process has the advantage of fewer process steps, easier threshold voltage control, and better device performance. In this memo we will describe the n-well CMOS baseline process in detail, with process simulations, materials characterization and electrical measurement results. Process and device parameter targets and circuit design rules are also included.

## 2. Process Design

The Microlab's 2  $\mu\text{m}$ , double poly and double metal CMOS process was designed mainly for analog circuit fabrication. The objective is to fabricate good performance 2  $\mu\text{m}$  CMOS circuits with a simple and stable process. The process has 5 implant steps and 11 lithography steps. The starting material is a 4" 8-12  $\Omega\text{-cm}$  p-type, <100> wafer, on which 2 $\mu\text{m}$  N-channel MOSFETs can be fabricated without a punchthrough implant. There is no n-field implant, because the phosphorus concentration at the n-well surface is high enough for a field threshold voltage greater than 12V. The baseline process specifications are given in Appendix A.

### 2.1 Process Flow and Cross Sections

A brief process flow with device cross sections is shown in Figure 1. All the process steps are done in the Microlab with the exception of ion implant steps, which are carried out at Ion Implant Services (Sunnyvale, California). The detailed information is in the process outline in Appendix C, which includes the equipment used in the Microlab for the CMOS process.

#### Ion Implantations

| Process Step                 | Species    | Energy (KeV) | Dose (/cm <sup>2</sup> ) |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Well Implant                 | Phosphorus | 150          | $5 \times 10^{12}$       |
| P-Field Implant              | Boron      | 70           | $1.5 \times 10^{13}$     |
| Threshold Adjustment Implant | Boron      | 30           | $1.7 \times 10^{12}$     |
| N+ S/D Implant               | Arsenic    | 160          | $5 \times 10^{15}$       |
| P+ S/D Implant               | Boron      | 30           | $5 \times 10^{15}$       |

## 2.2 Mask Definitions

| Mask Name | Type     | Field | Align Sequence |
|-----------|----------|-------|----------------|
| NWELL     | chrome   | dark  |                |
| ACTIVE    | emulsion | clear | NWELL          |
| PFIELD    | emulsion | clear | ACTIVE         |
| POLY      | emulsion | clear | ACTIVE         |
| CAP-CE    | emulsion | clear | POLY           |
| N+ S/D    | chrome   | dark  | POLY           |
| P+ S/D    | emulsion | clear | POLY           |
| CONT      | chrome   | dark  | POLY           |
| METAL1    | emulsion | clear | CONT           |
| VIA       | chrome   | dark  | METAL1         |
| METAL2    | emulsion | clear | VIA            |



## 2 um CMOS Process Flow and Cross Sections

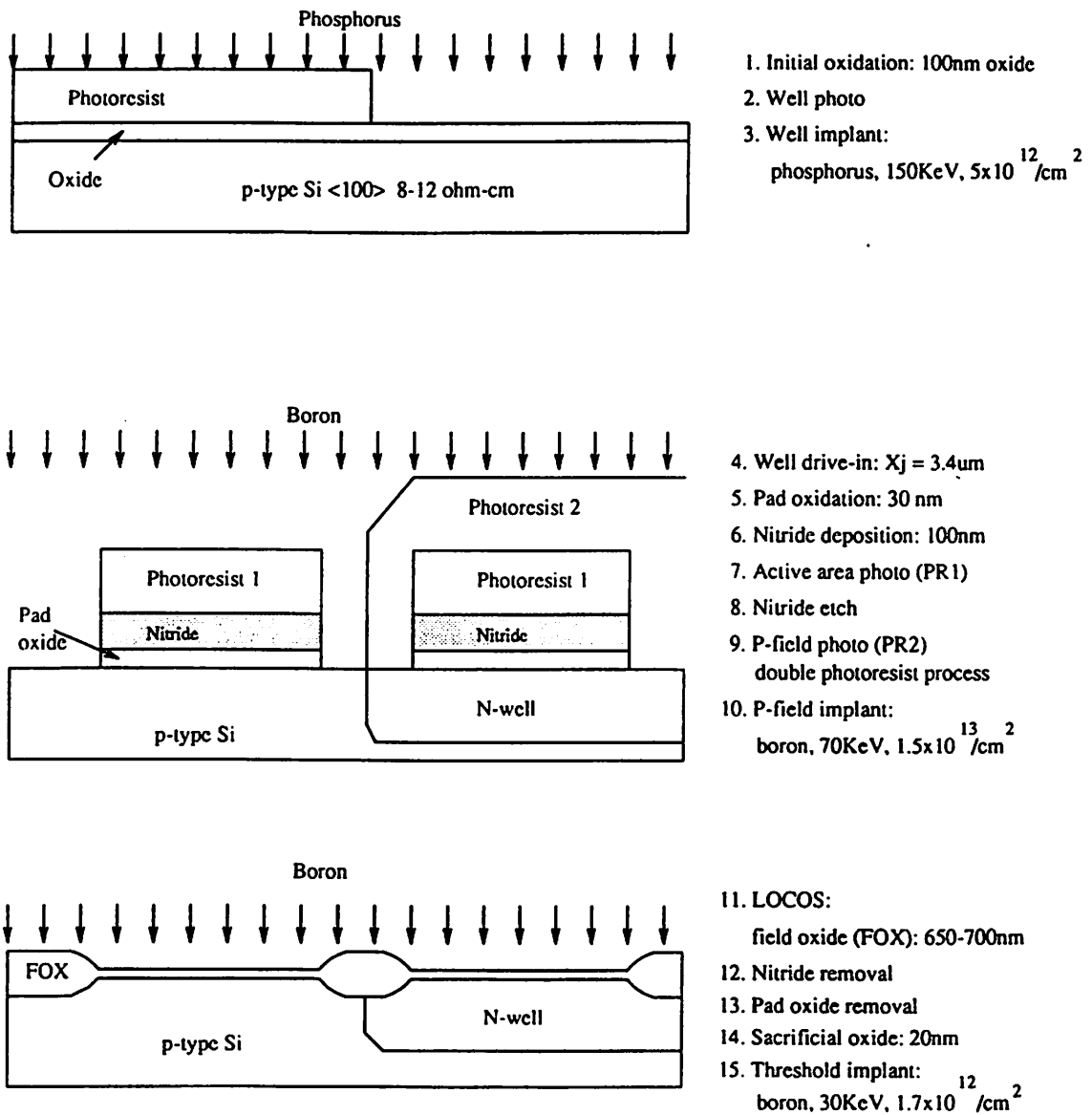
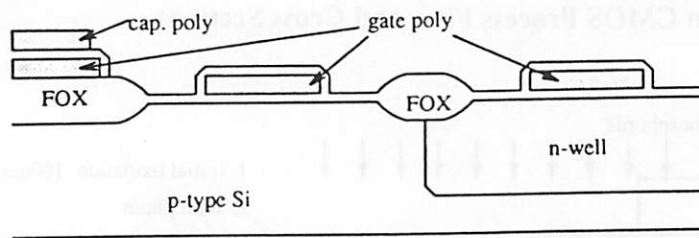
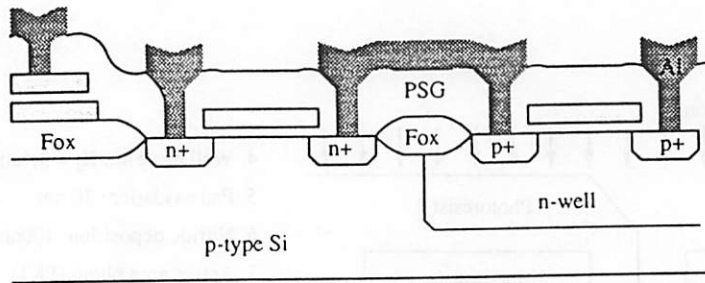


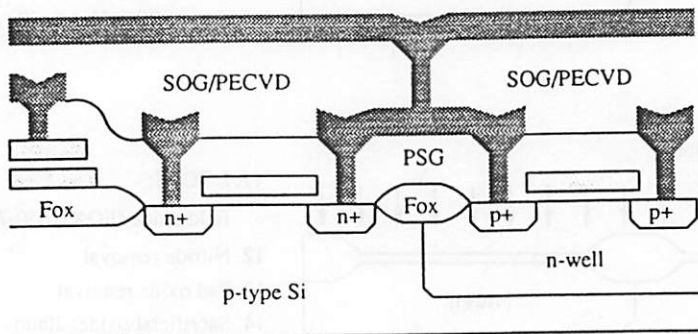
Fig. 1 Process flow and cross sections.



16. Sacrificial oxide removal
17. Gate oxidation: 30nm
18. Gate poly deposition: 450nm
19. Gate poly photo
20. Gate poly etch
21. Capacitor oxidation: 80nm on poly
22. Capacitor poly deposition: 450nm
23. Capacitor photo
24. Capacitor etch



25. N+ S/D photo
26. N+ S/D implant  
As, 160KeV,  $5 \times 10^{15} / \text{cm}^2$
27. N+ S/D anneal
28. P+ S/D implant  
B, 30KeV,  $5 \times 10^{15} / \text{cm}^2$
29. PSG deposition: 700nm  
and densification
30. Contact photo
31. Contact etch
32. Al sputtering: 600nm
33. Al definition



34. PECVD thin oxide: 40nm
35. Spin-On-Glass 500nm
36. PECVD thick oxide: 300nm
37. VIA photo
38. VIA etch
39. Al sputtering: 800-900nm
40. Al photo
41. Al Etch
42. Sintering

Fig. 1 (cont.) Process flow and cross sections.

### 3 Process Simulation and Material Characterization

The results of SUPREM3 and Spreading Resistance Analysis (SRA) are presented here. The SRA was performed by Solecon Laboratories (San Jose, CA). The SRA samples were made from the lot cmos39.

#### 3.1 N-Channel

Doping profiles in the N-channel region are shown in Figures 2 and 3. The simulated gate oxide thickness is 29.2 nm. The simulated surface concentration ( $3.9 \times 10^{16}/\text{cm}^2$ ) is about two times of that from SRA ( $2 \times 10^{16}/\text{cm}^2$ ). In Section 4, we will see the SRA result is close to the statistical data obtained from electrical measurements on cmos39. See Figure 24 (a).

#### 3.2 P-Channel

Figures 4 and 5 are the doping profiles in the P-channel region. From simulation, the well junction depth and threshold implant junction depth are 3.4231 and 0.24135  $\mu\text{m}$ , respectively. SRA data show a shallower N-well junction of 2.748  $\mu\text{m}$  and no threshold implant junction. However, SRA P<sup>+</sup> source-drain profile in Figure 9 shows an N-well junction depth of 3.224  $\mu\text{m}$  which is close to the simulation result.

### Dopant Profile in N-Channel

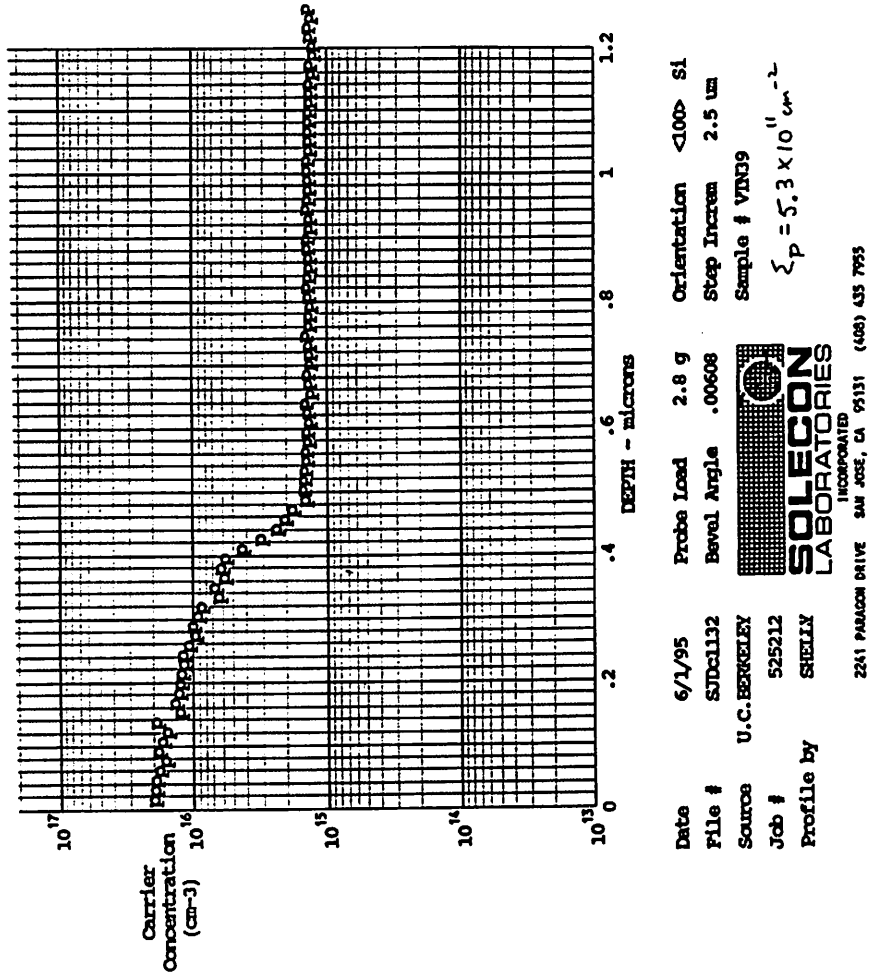
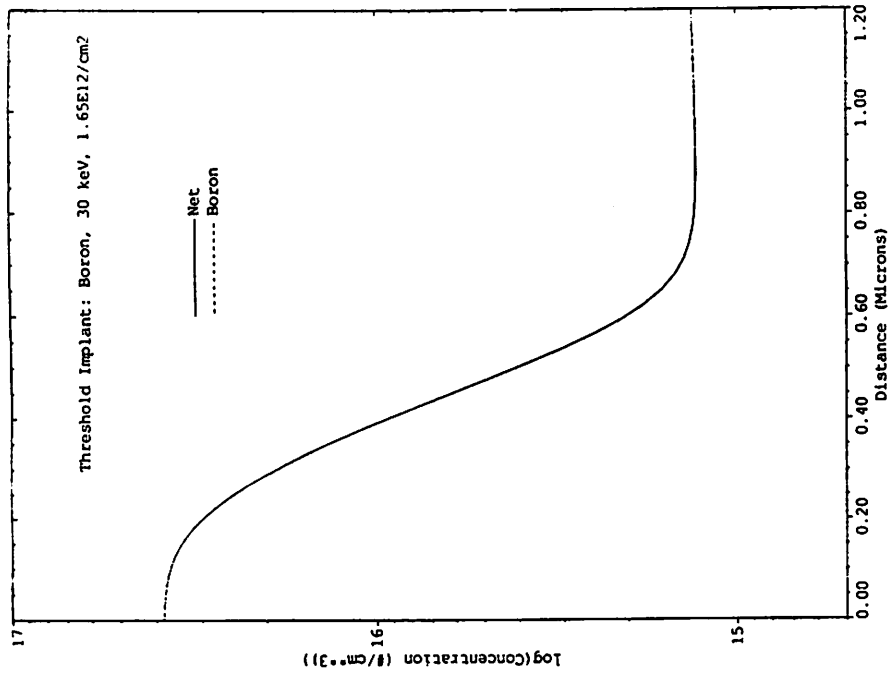
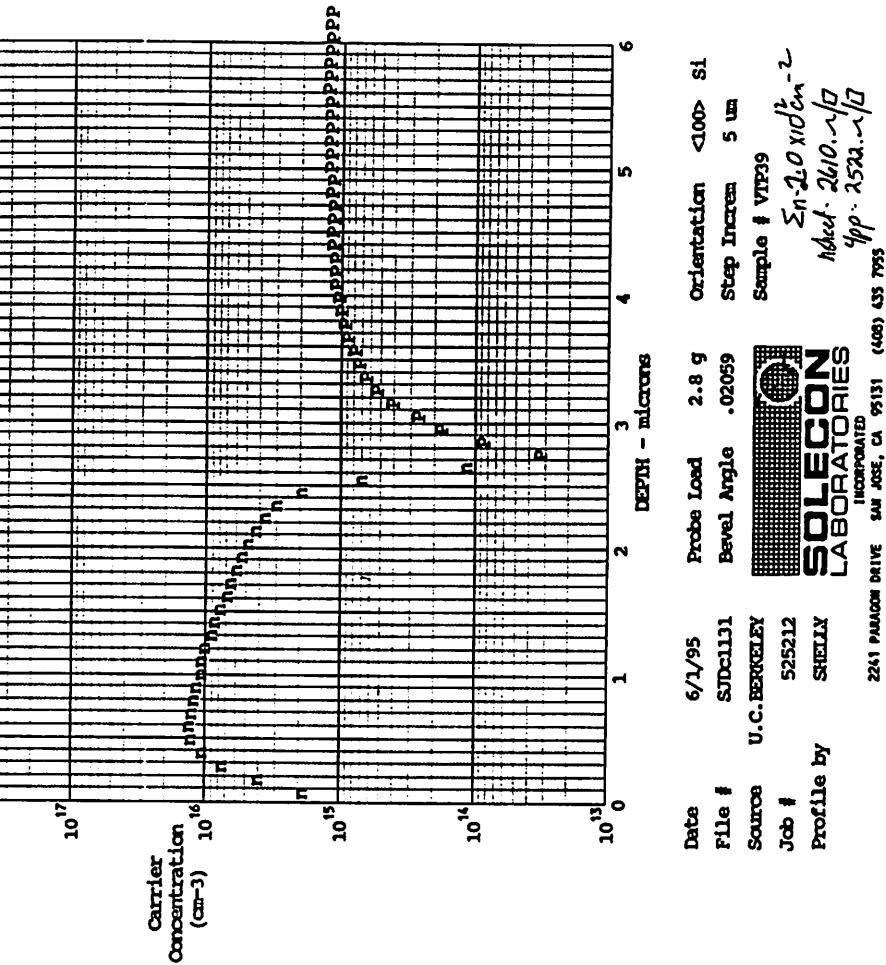


Fig. 2 N-channel dopant profile simulated by SUPREM3.

Fig. 3 N-channel dopant profile obtained from SRA.



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 Source U.C. BERKELEY Sample # VIT29  
 Job # 525212  $\Sigma n = 2.0 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-2}$   
 Profile by SHELLEY  $\text{Incl. } 2610. \sim 10$   
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 2241 PARAGON DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95131

Fig. 5 P-channel dopant profile obtained from SRA.

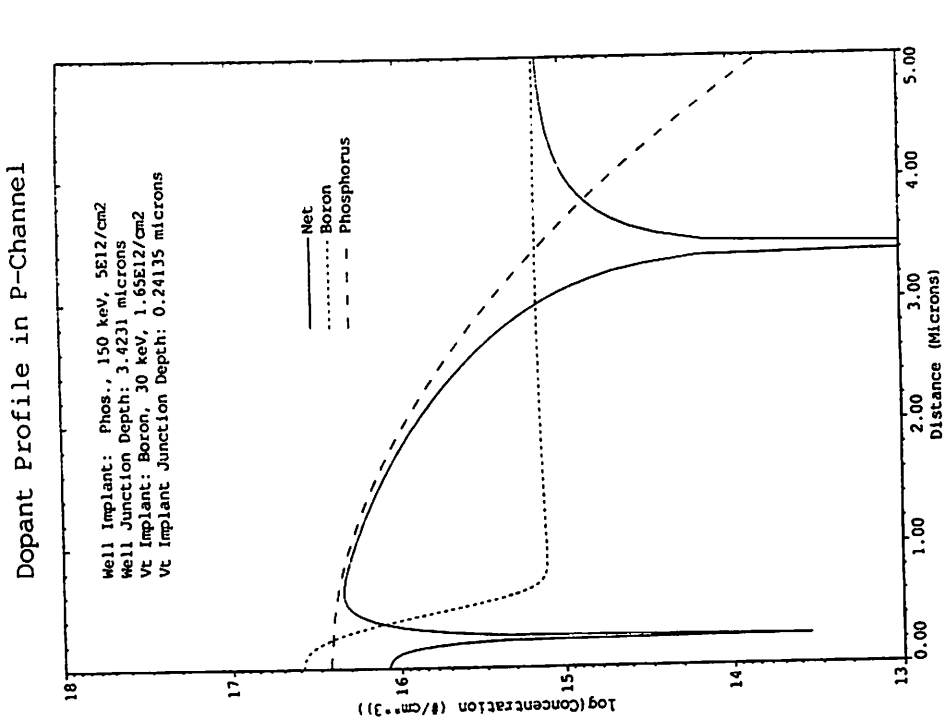


Fig. 4 P-channel dopant profile simulated by SUPREM3.

### 3.3 N<sup>+</sup> Source-Drain

The simulated As doping profile (Fig.6) shows a tail which results in a junction depth of 0.7  $\mu\text{m}$ . An extrapolation of the doping profile without the tail gives a junction depth of 0.31  $\mu\text{m}$  which agrees with the SRA result (Fig. 7). The sheet resistance calculated from SRA and measured with the four-point probe on the same sample are 38 and 37  $\Omega/\text{square}$ , respectively. From electrical measurement, the average sheet resistance is 43.64  $\Omega/\text{square}$  (Fig. 29 (a)).

| Parameter                                   | Simulated | Measured from SRA sample | Calculated from SRA | Electrical Measurement |
|---|-----------|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Junction Depth, $X_j$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )     | 0.31      | 0.313                    |                     |                        |
| Sheet resistance ( $\Omega/\text{square}$ ) |           | 38                       | 37                  | 43.64                  |

### 3.4 P<sup>+</sup> Source-Drain

The simulated junction depth (Fig.8) is 0.55784  $\mu\text{m}$ , while the SRA junction depth (Fig 9) is 0.645  $\mu\text{m}$ . The sheet resistance calculated from SRA is 67  $\Omega/\text{square}$ . The four-point probe measurement on the same sample shows 51  $\Omega/\text{square}$ . Both are within the range from 51.5 to 67.5  $\Omega/\text{square}$  as can be seen from the average of electrical measurements (Fig. 30 (a)).

| Parameter                                   | Simulated | Measured from SRA sample | Calculated from SRA | Electrical Measurement |
|---|-----------|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Junction Depth, $X_j$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )     | 0.55784   | 0.645                    |                     |                        |
| Sheet resistance ( $\Omega/\text{square}$ ) |           | 51                       | 67                  | 59.5                   |

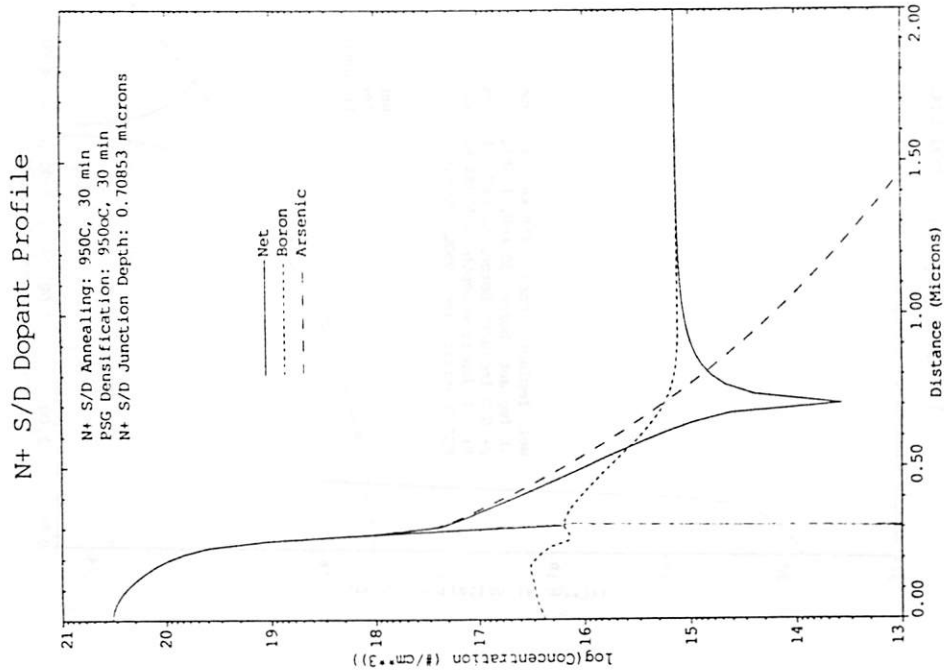


Fig. 6 N+ source-drain dopant profile simulated by SUPREM3.

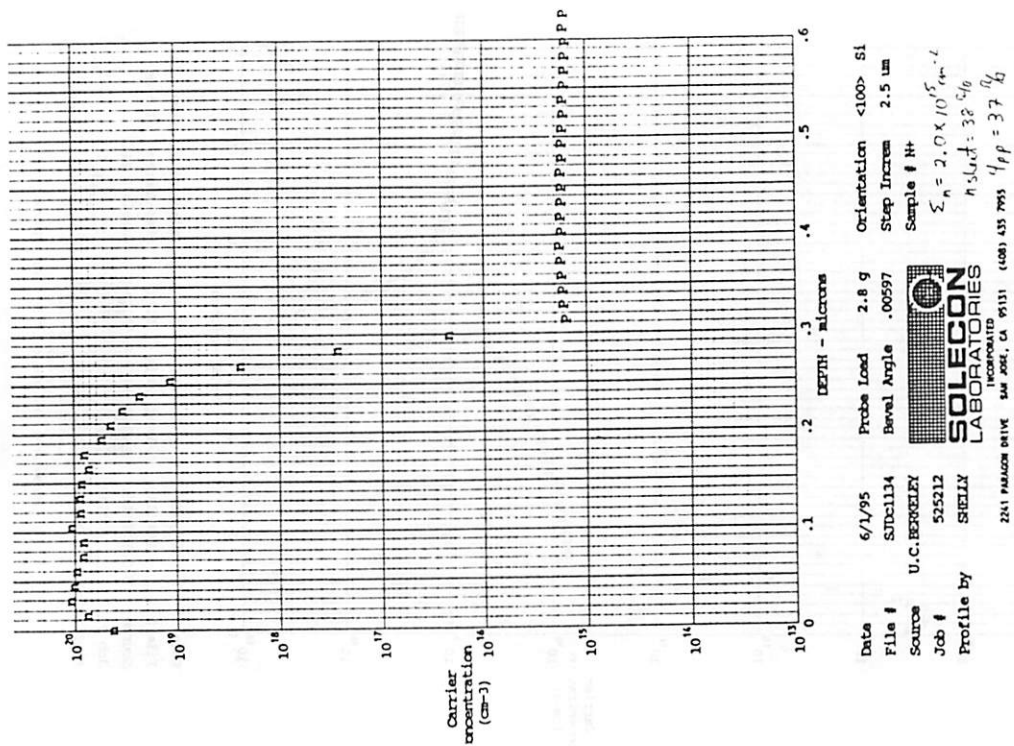


Fig. 7 N+ source-drain dopant profile obtained from SRA.

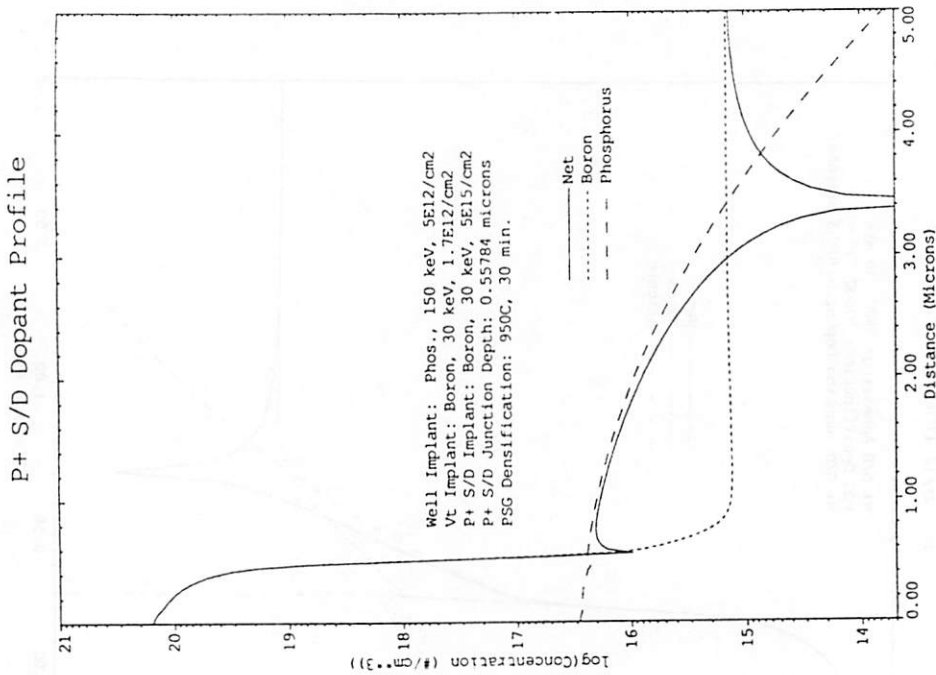


Fig. 8 P+ source-drain dopant profile simulated by SUPREM3.

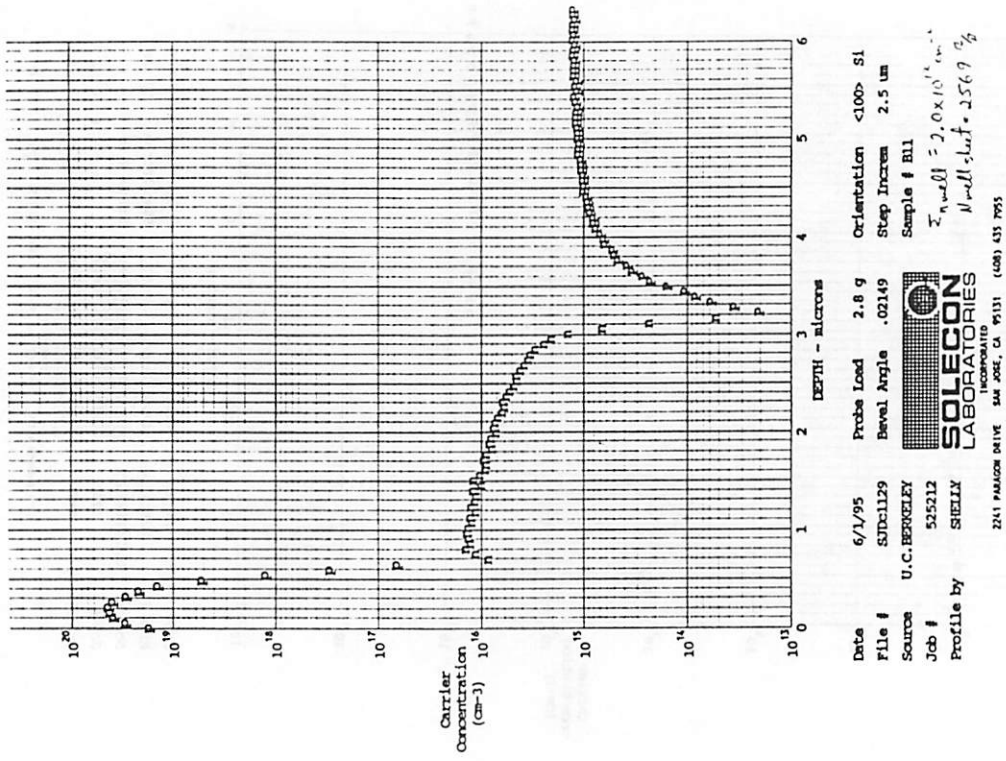


Fig. 9 P+ source-drain dopant profile obtained from SRA.



## **4 Electrical Measurement Results**

The HP4145 Semiconductor Parameter Analyzer and an automatic probe station (autoprober) were utilized to make electrical measurements on each lot. The autoprober consists of the Electroglas Model 2001X, an HP 4085A Switching Matrix, an HP4084 Switching Matrix Controller, an HP4141A Source/Monitor and a UNIX workstation. The test structures for the autoprober were designed by D. Rodriguez [2] and they were included in the scribe line of each wafer.

### **4.1 HP4145 Measurement Results**

Figures 10 through 15 are NMOS and PMOS characteristics measured with HP4145. Both devices have W/L of 10/2.

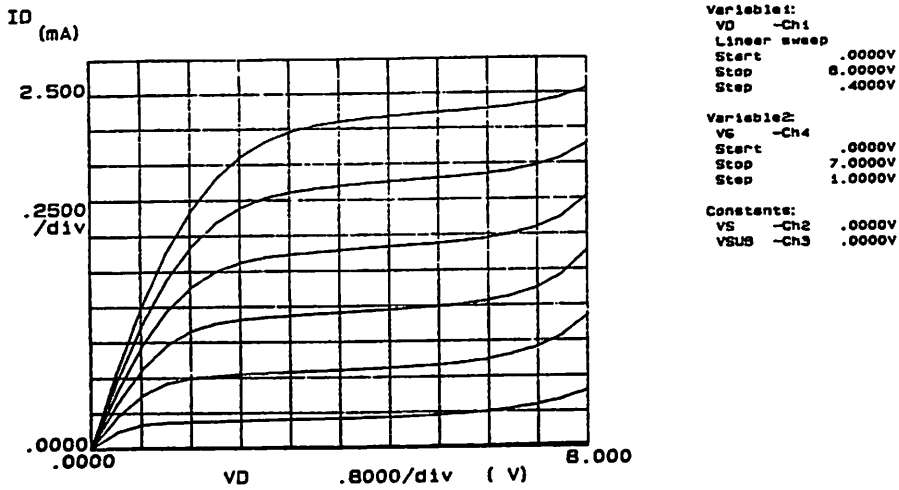


Fig. 10 NMOS drain current vs. drain voltage characteristics.

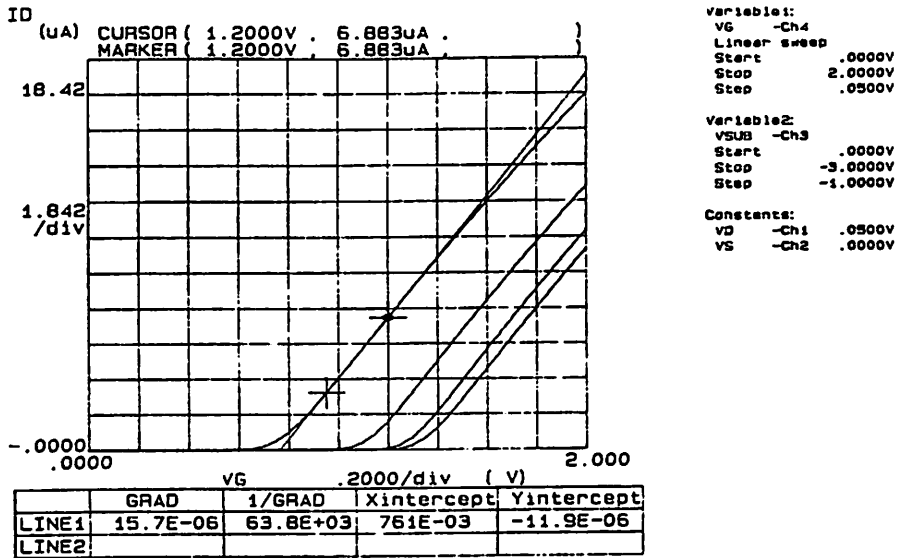


Fig. 11 NMOS drain current vs. gate voltage characteristics.

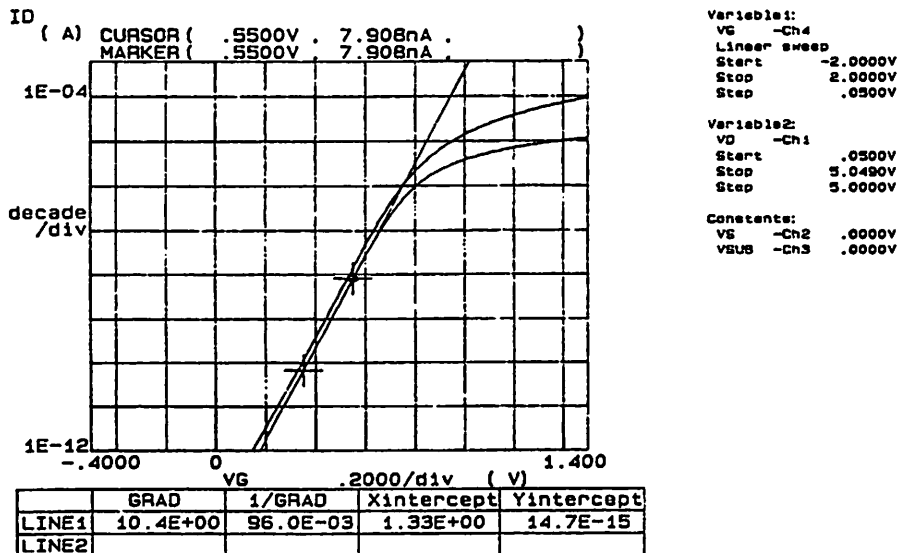


Fig. 12 NMOS subthreshold characteristics.

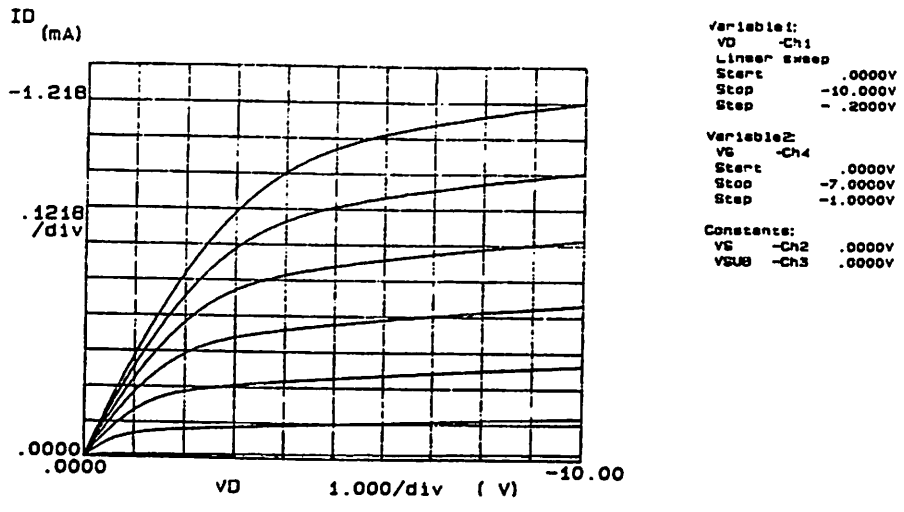


Fig. 13 PMOS drain current vs. drain voltage characteristics.

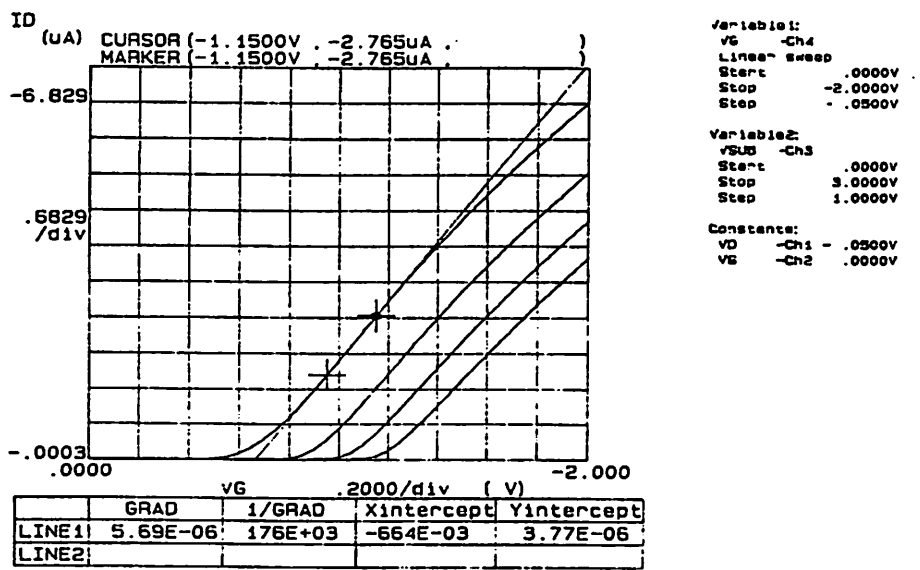


Fig. 14 PMOS drain current vs. gate voltage characteristics.

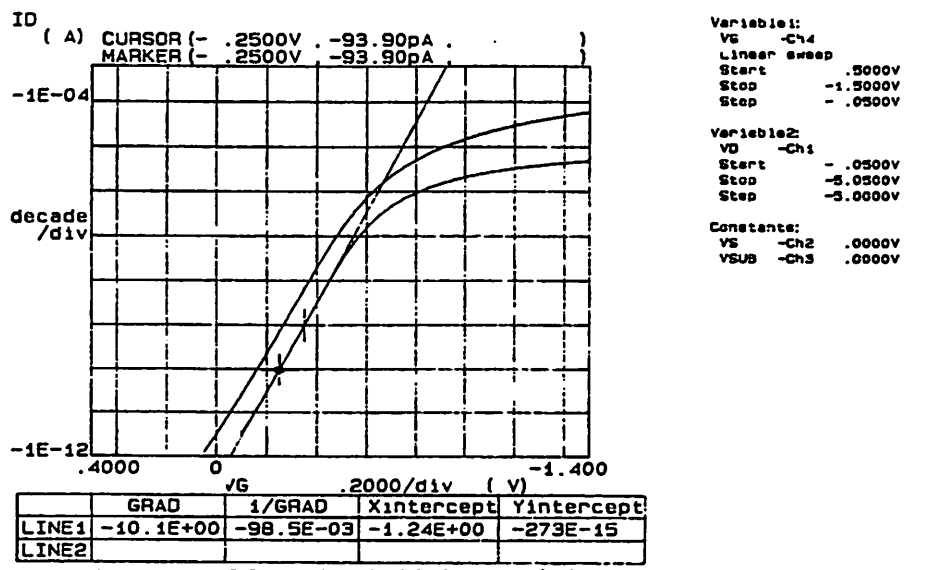


Fig. 15 PMOS subthreshold characteristics.

## 4.2 Statistical Measurement Data

Autoprober testing enables the baseline to collect large amounts of data for monitoring the process and extracting device parameters. Figures 16 through 31 are the statistical results from autoprober measurements. For threshold voltage, fifty-two dies across each wafer were tested and for other parameters, ten to twenty dies across each wafer were measured. These measured dies were uniformly distributed across the wafer. Two sets of data, (a) and (b), are presented here. In (a), each data point is the average of the measurements on one wafer and is connected by a line indicating a process lot. Avg is the average of the data points in the figures, which is the average of a wafer. UCL and LCL stand for Upper and Lower Control Limits, respectively. In (b), each point is the standard deviation across the wafer corresponding to the point in (a).

In effective channel length and width measurements (Fig.18-21), the resistance and conductance methods [3,4] were used.  $L_d$  and  $W_d$  are the parameters in the following equations:

$$L_{\text{eff}} = L - \Delta L = L - 2L_d,$$

$$W_{\text{eff}} = W - \Delta W = W - 2W_d.$$

In Figures 22 and 23,  $k'_n$  and  $k'_p$  are the current factors  $\mu C_{\text{ox}}/2$  and were measured while the devices were at saturation.

Since the dopant concentration is not uniform in the ion-implanted channel regions,  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  were extracted at low and high substrate bias [5,6]. Based on these results, dopant concentrations at the surface and substrate (or n-well for PMOS) were obtained. The surface dopant concentrations are shown in Figures 24 and 25. The surface doping concentrations measured this way can be used to monitor the process, although they are not precise surface doping concentration measurements.

In Figures 27 and 30, cmos39 was not included, because  $\text{BF}_2$  was implanted to make shallow  $\text{P}^+$  S/D junctions for investigation of 1.3  $\mu\text{m}$  PMOS.

Both NMOS and PMOS source-drain leakage currents were also measured at  $V_{\text{ds}}=5\text{V}$  and  $V_{\text{gs}}=0\text{V}$  on the wafer cmos40-1. Fifty-two dies were tested across the wafer. The leakage current average and standard deviation for NMOS and PMOS are 0.855pA/ $\mu\text{m}$  and 0.0487pA/ $\mu\text{m}$ , and -1.99pA/ $\mu\text{m}$  and 0.9546pA/ $\mu\text{m}$ , respectively.

A summary of the measurements, Process and Device Parameter Targets, is attached in Appendix A. These parameters will be updated with the improvements in the baseline process. Some capacitance parameters will be added after the autoprober capacitance measurement routines are available to extract capacitance parameters.

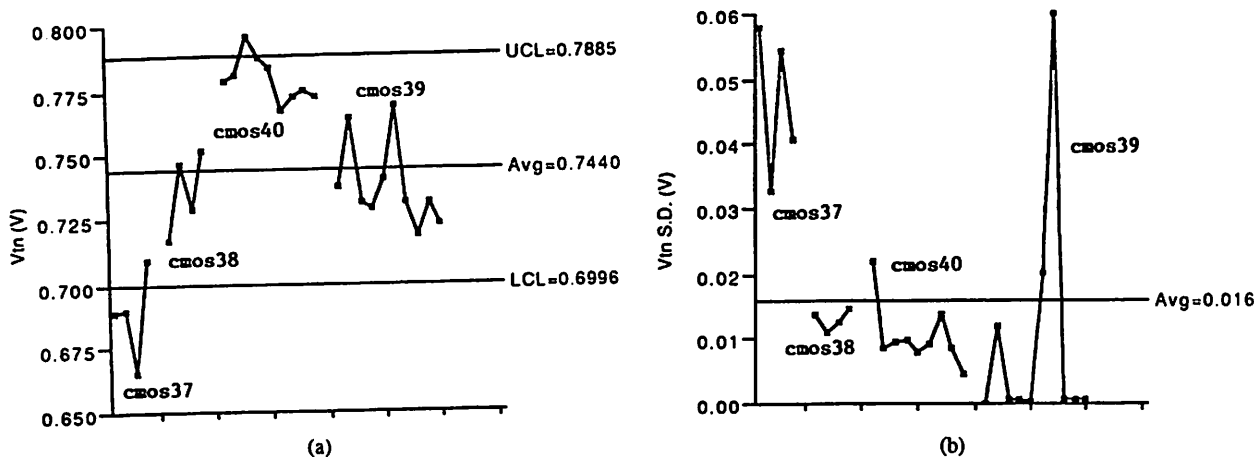


Fig. 16 (a) NMOS threshold voltage distribution in the 2 $\mu$ m N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

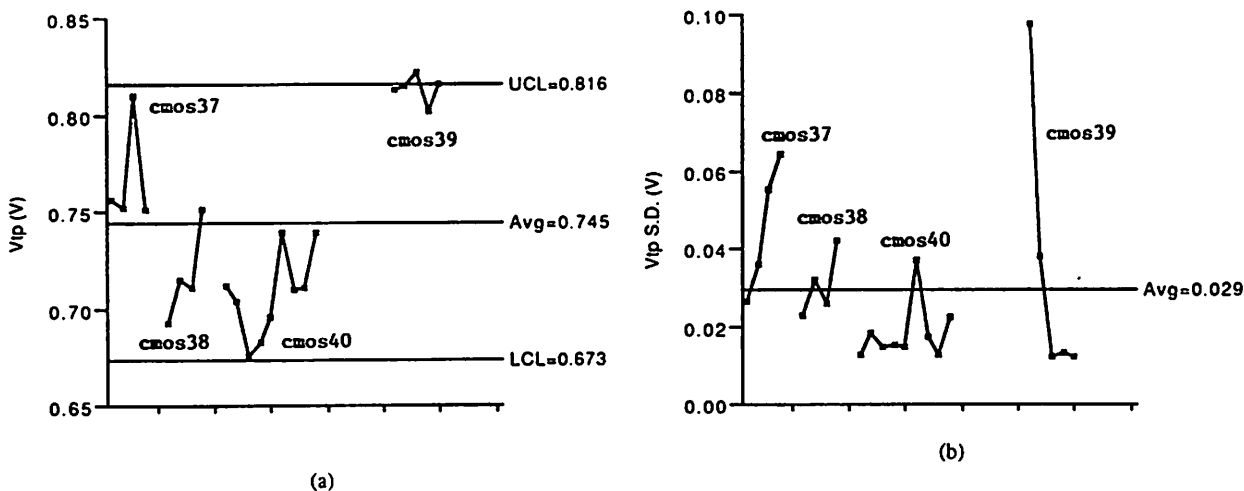


Fig. 17 (a) PMOS threshold voltage distribution in the 2 $\mu$ m N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

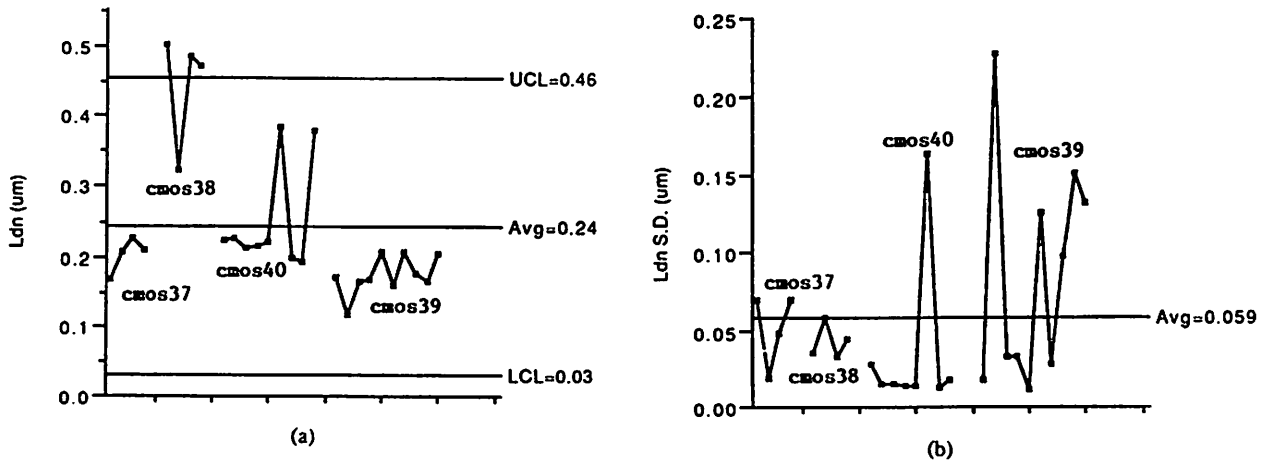


Fig. 18 (a) NMOS effective channel length distribution in the 2 $\mu$ m N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

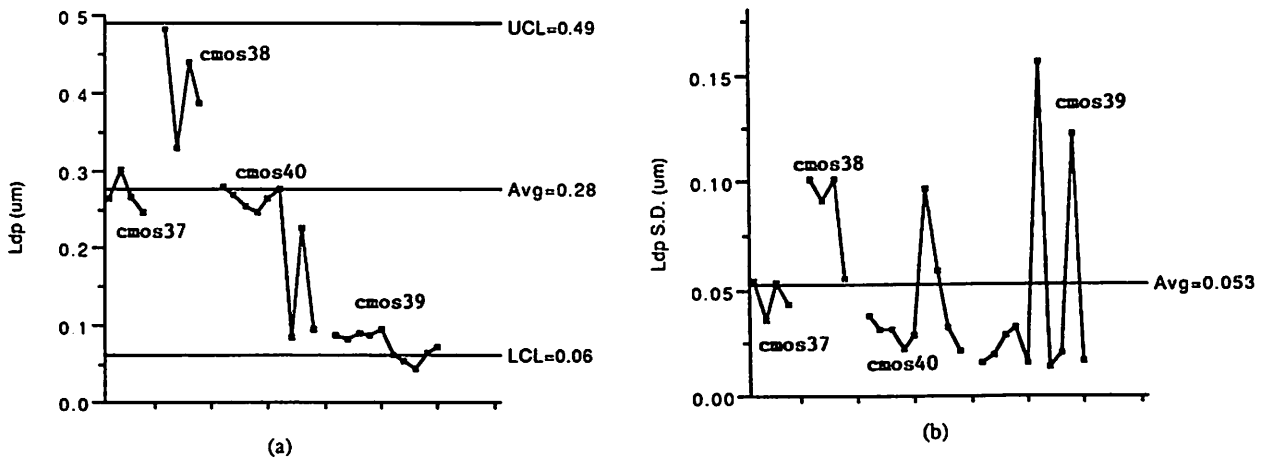


Fig. 19 (a) PMOS effective channel length distribution in the 2 $\mu$ m N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

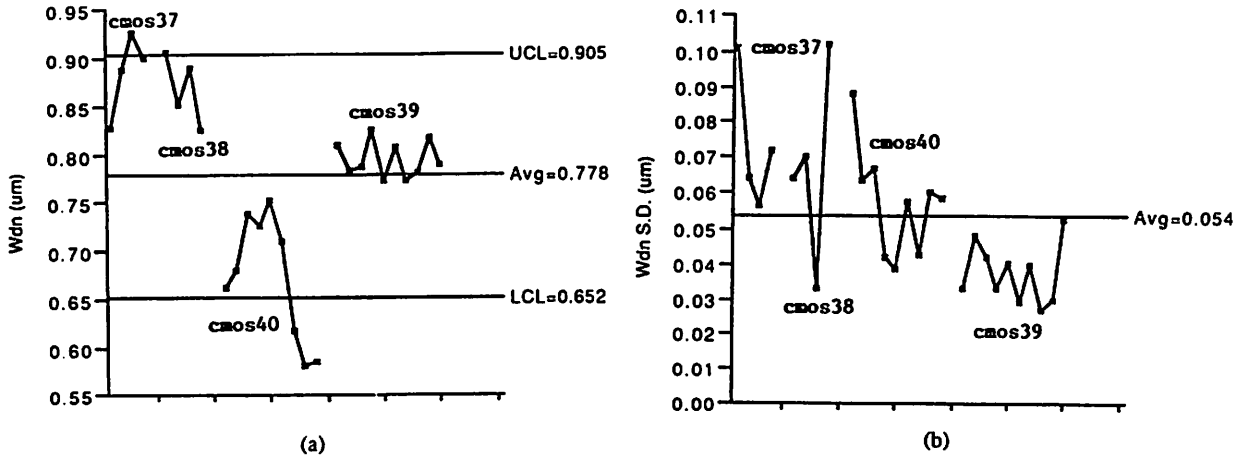


Fig. 20 (a) NMOS effective channel width distribution in the 2um N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

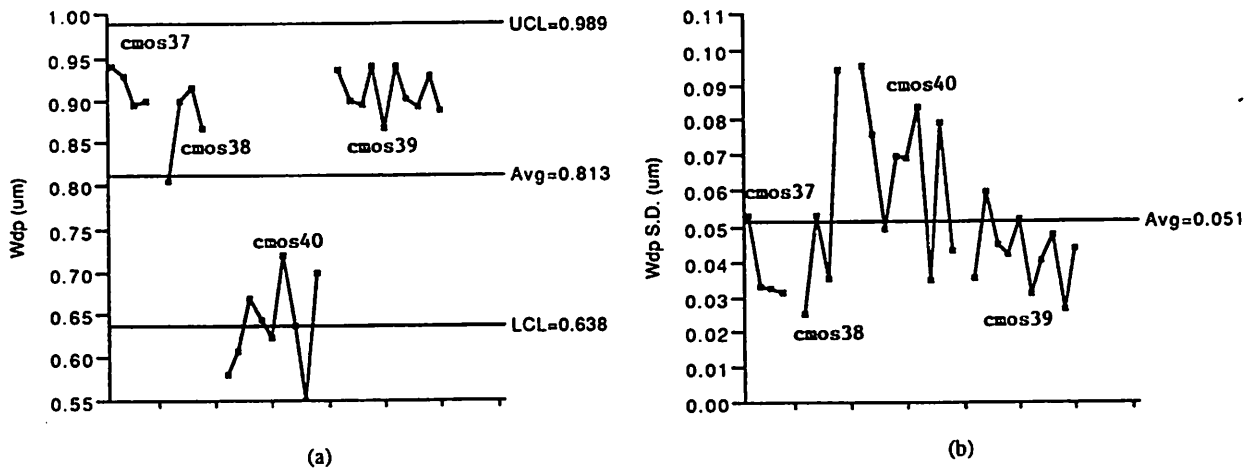
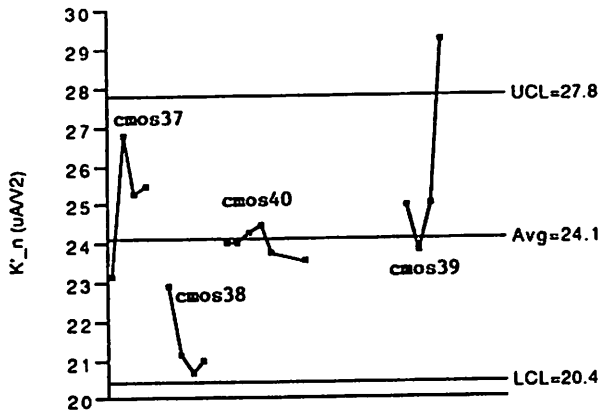
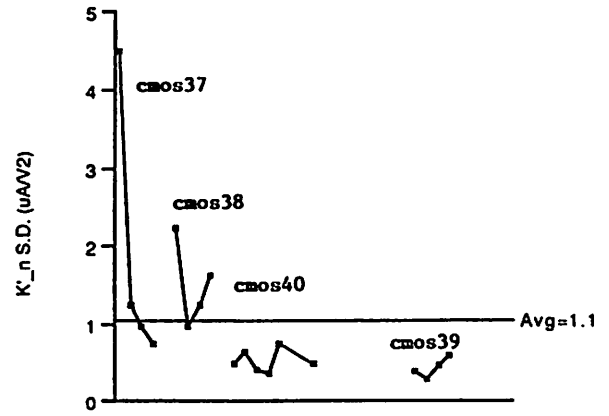


Fig. 21 (a) PMOS effective channel width distribution in the 2um N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).



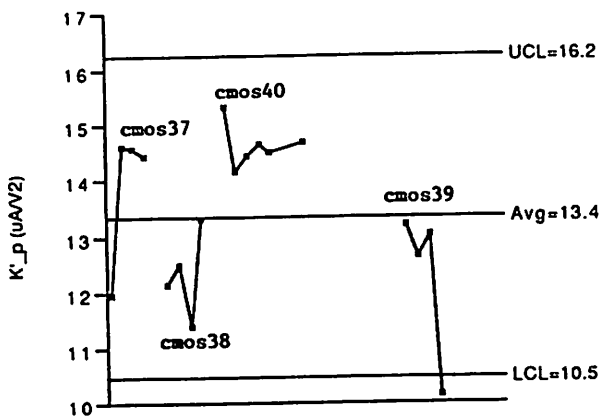


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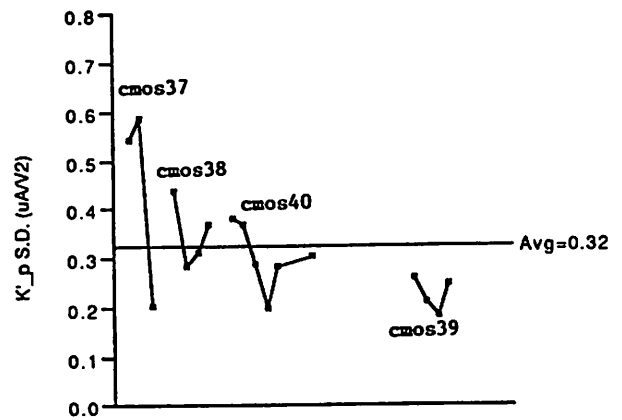


(b)

Fig. 22 (a) NMOS  $k'$  distribution in the 2 $\mu$ m N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of ten dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).



(a)



(b)

Fig. 23 (a) PMOS  $k'$  distribution in the 2 $\mu$ m N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of ten dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

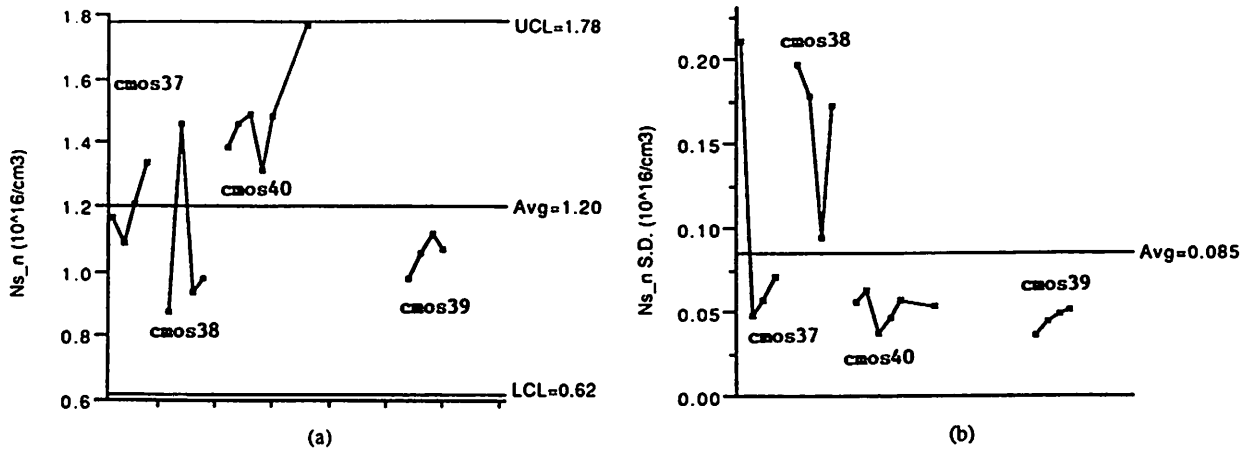


Fig. 24 (a) NMOS surface dopant concentration ( $N_s$ ) distribution in the 2 $\mu\text{m}$  N-well CMOS process.  $N_s$  was extracted from gamma1 measurement. Each data point is the average of ten dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

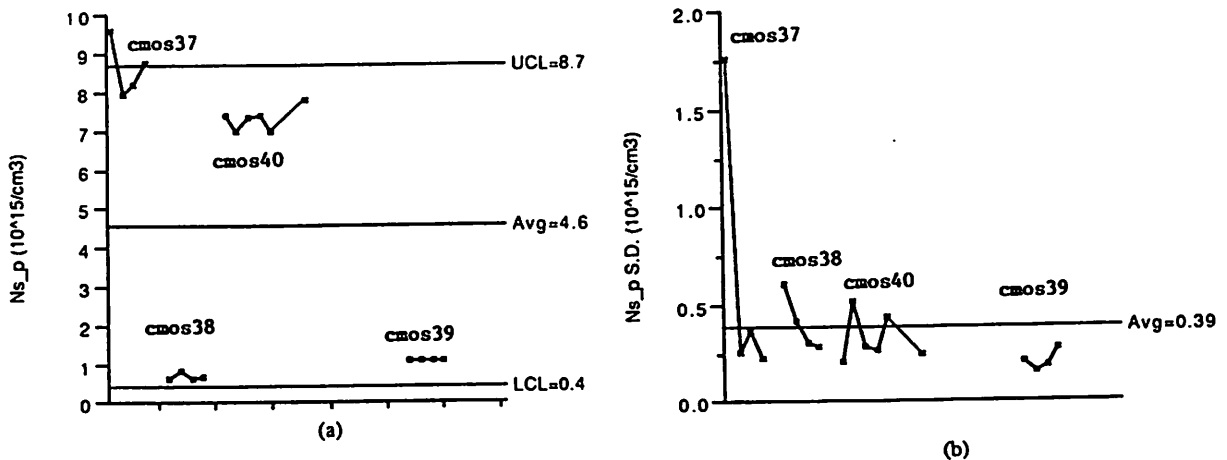


Fig. 25 (a) PMOS surface dopant concentration ( $N_s$ ) distribution in the 2 $\mu\text{m}$  N-well CMOS process.  $N_s$  was extracted from gamma1 measurement. Each data point is the average of ten dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

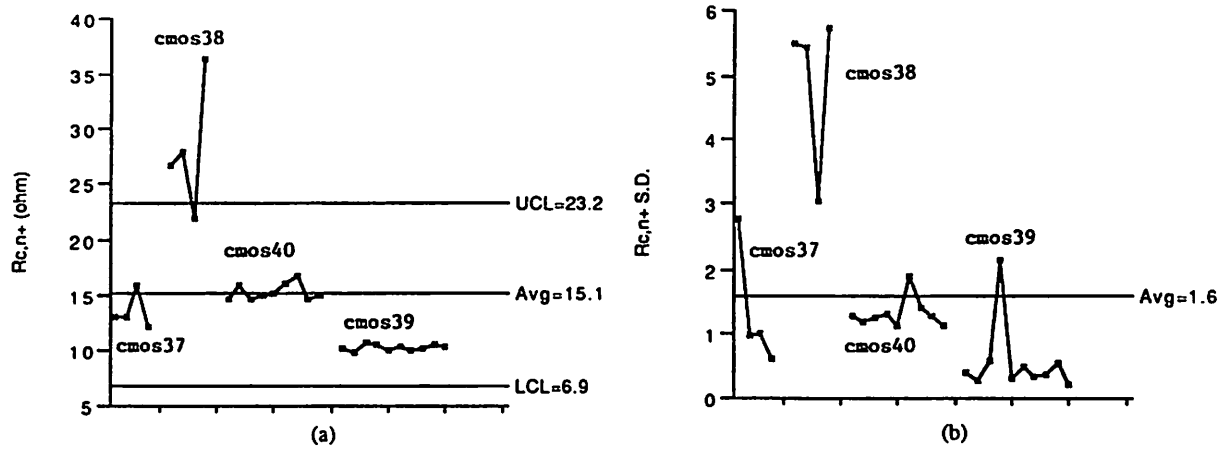


Fig. 26 (a) Al-N+ contact resistance distribution in the 2um N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

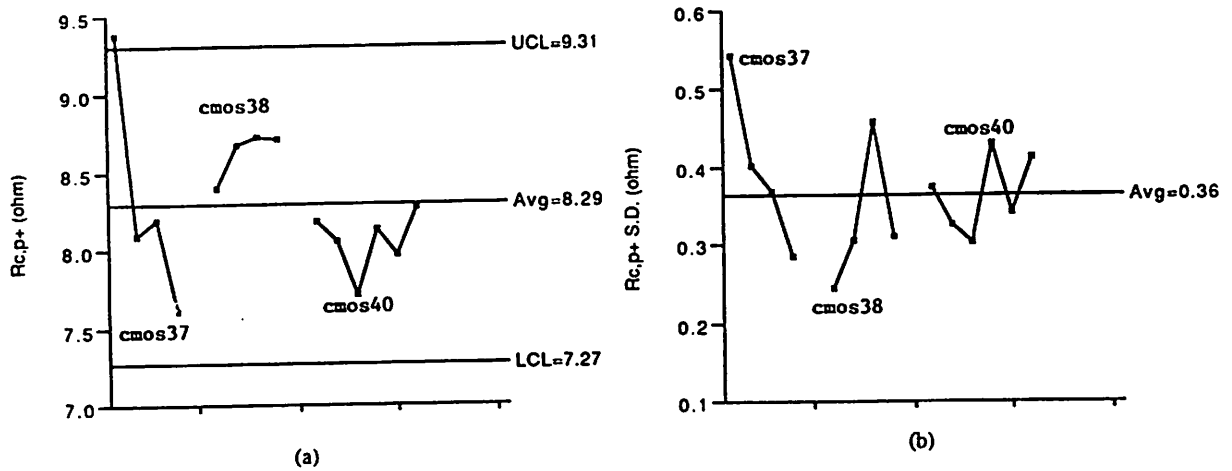


Fig. 27 (a) Al-P+ contact resistance distribution in the 2um N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

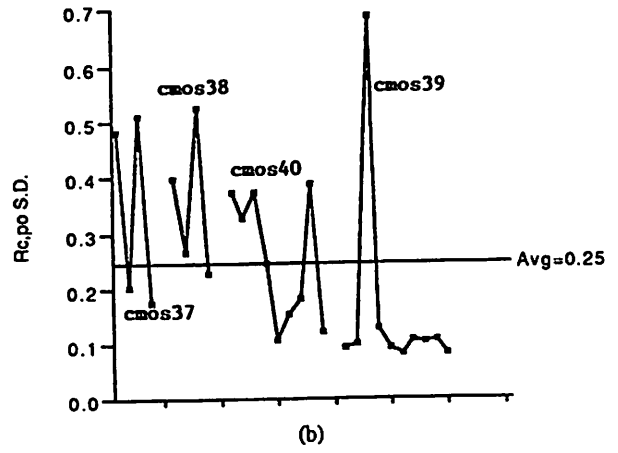
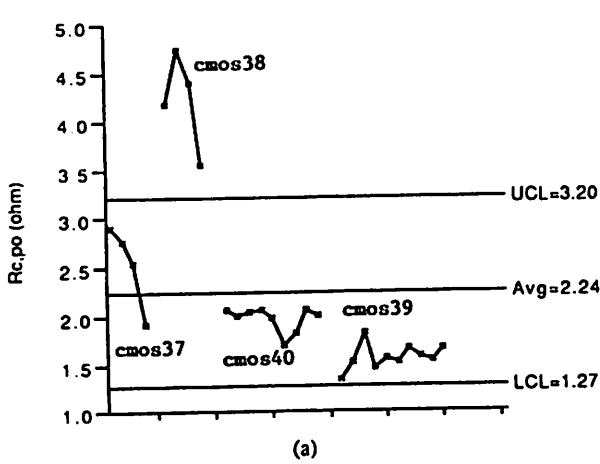


Fig. 28 (a) Al-Poly contact resistance distribution in the 2 $\mu$ m N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

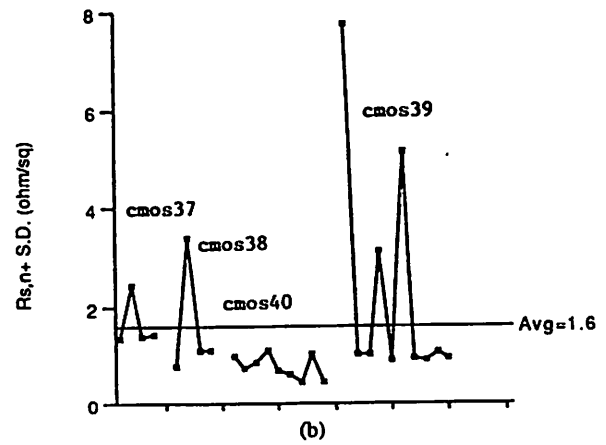
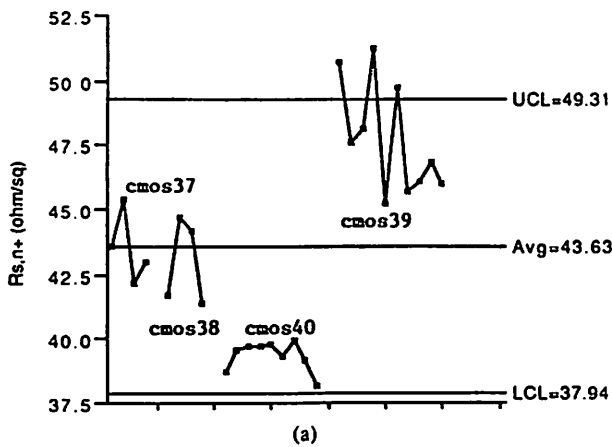


Fig. 29 (a) N+ diffusion sheet resistance distribution in the 2 $\mu$ m N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

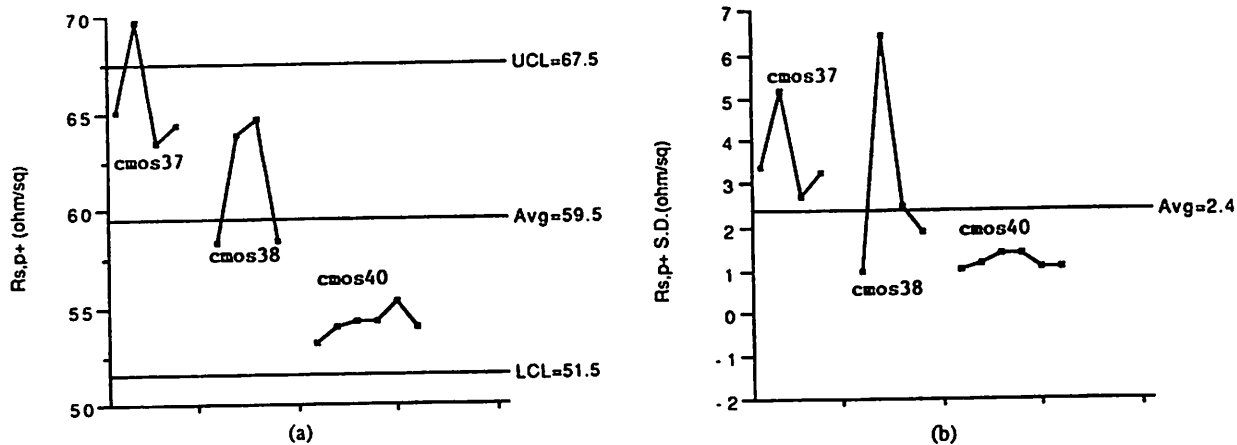


Fig. 30 (a) P+ diffusion sheet resistance distribution in the 2 $\mu$ m N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

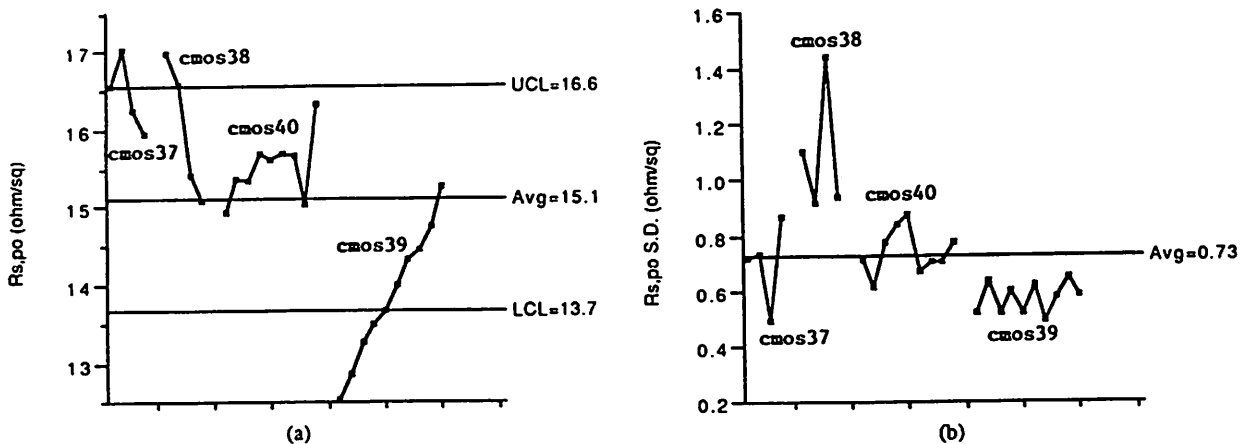


Fig. 31 (a) Doped poly sheet resistance distribution in the 2 $\mu$ m N-well CMOS process. Each data point is the average of fifty-two dies measured across one wafer. UCL: Upper Control Limit. LCL: Lower Control Limit. (b) Each data point is the standard deviation corresponding to the data point in (a).

## 5 SPICE Parameter Extraction

Parameters for BSIM3, a SPICE model developed by the device group at UC Berkeley [7], was extracted by BSIMPro [8]. Figures 32 and 33 contain I-V characteristics of both NMOS and PMOS. Some extraction results are shown in Figures 34 through 36. On the next two pages are the output of BSIMPro. This data does not include capacitance parameters. These will be added when the capacitance measurement routines are available for the autoprobe.

## Output of BSIMPro:

```
*model = bsim3
*Cadence Compatibility Mode
*LogName=cmos40 UserName=sfang Date=07-13-1995
* Lmin= 2 Lmax= 25 Wmin= 5 Wmax= 50
*
* GENERAL PARAMETERS
*
.model NMOS NMOS
+Level= 10
+Tnom=27.0
+Npeak= 6.906394E+16 Tox=3.27000E-08 Xj=3.00000E-07
+dl= 1.96500E-07 dw= 6.98499977588654E-07
+SatMod= 2 SubthMod= 2
+BulkMod= 1
*
* THRESHOLD VOLTAGE PARAMETERS
*
+Vth0= .7476673 Phi= .7949965 K1= 1.433851 K2=-.2482773 K3= 46.17294
+Dvt0= .5664904 Dvt1= .5311641 Dvt2=-.7567183
+Nlx= 0 W0= 2.088732E-05
+K3b=-17.6259
*
* MOBILITY PARAMETERS
*
+Vsat= 107632.1 Ua= 2.175036E-09 Ub=-2.723978E-18 Uc=-7.168329E-03
+Rds0= 71.9 Rdsw= 769 U0= 670
+A0= .3190749
+Keta=-2.304753E-02 A1= 5.444023E-02 A2= .7
*
* SUBTHRESHOLD CURRENT PARAMETERS
*
+Voff=-.0551213 NFactor= .9818507 Cit=-1.738184E-04
+Cdsc=-1.186696E-04 Vglow=-.12 Vghigh= .12
+Cdscb=-2.228673E-05
+Eta0= 6.305706E-03 Etab=-1.986577E-02
+Dsub= .1730233
*
* ROUT PARAMETERS
*
+Pclm= .8851407 Pdibl1= .0171912 Pdibl2= 2.364713E-03
+Drout= .103091 Pscbe1= 2.085241E+08 Pscbe2= 2.270365E-05
+Pvag=-.8659828
+Eta= 0 Litl= 1.715517E-07
+Ldd= 0
```

\* GENERAL PARAMETERS

\*

.model PMOS PMOS

+Level= 10

+Tnom=27.0

+Npeak= 8.734341E+15 Tox=3.27000E-08 Xj=6.50000E-07

+dl= 3.44191E-07 dw= 8.19282412528992E-07

+SatMod= 2 SubthMod= 2

+BulkMod= 1

\*

\* THRESHOLD VOLTAGE PARAMETERS

\*

+Vth0=-.6993924 Phi= .6880878 K1= .5099099 K2= 2.812088E-02 K3=-.1192135

+Dvt0= .9119751 Dvt1= .5007811 Dvt2=-7.716554E-02

+Nlx= 5.441865E-07 W0=-3.535396E-06

+K3b= 9.917567E-03

\*

\* MOBILITY PARAMETERS

\*

+Vsat= 213574.9 Ua= 3.401969E-08 Ub=-8.815556E-17 Uc=-.292751

+Rds0= 180.8564 Rdsw= 342.9426 U0= 670

+A0= .655002

+Keta=-2.507999E-02 A1= .0637029 A2= 1.387779E-16

\*

\* SUBTHRESHOLD CURRENT PARAMETERS

\*

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+Cdsc=-1.961542E-04 Vglow=-.12 Vghigh= .12

+Cdscb=-1.145162E-05

+Eta0= .2236274 Etab=-6.512475E-03

+Dsub= .5180283

\*

\* ROUT PAR\*

+Pclm= 3.331738 Pdibl1= 1.023179 Pdibl2= 6.430786E-04

+Drout= .5563746 Pscbe1= 0 Pscbe2= 1E-28

+Pvag= 6.604128

+Eta= 0 Litl= 2.525173E-07

+Ldd= 0



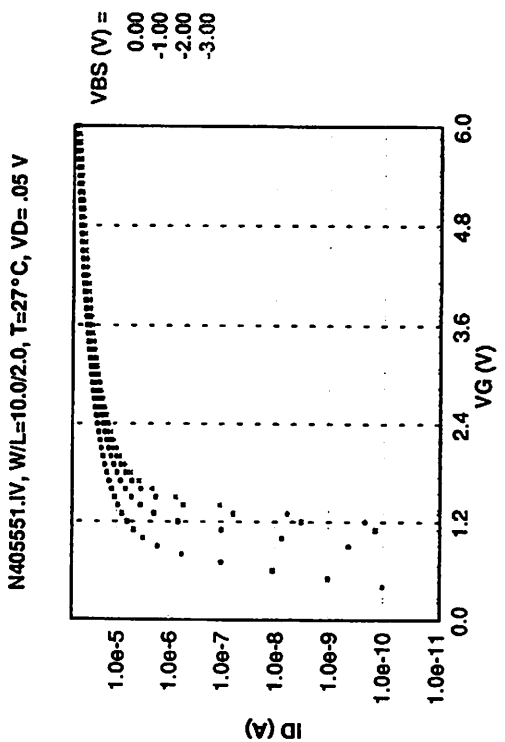
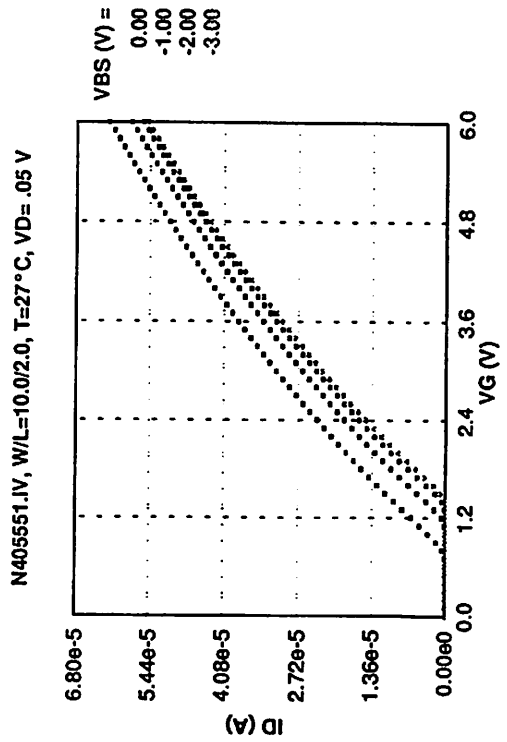
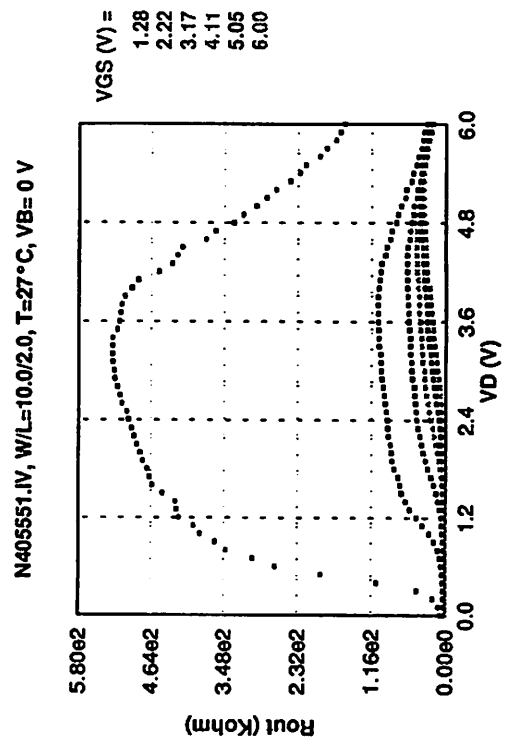
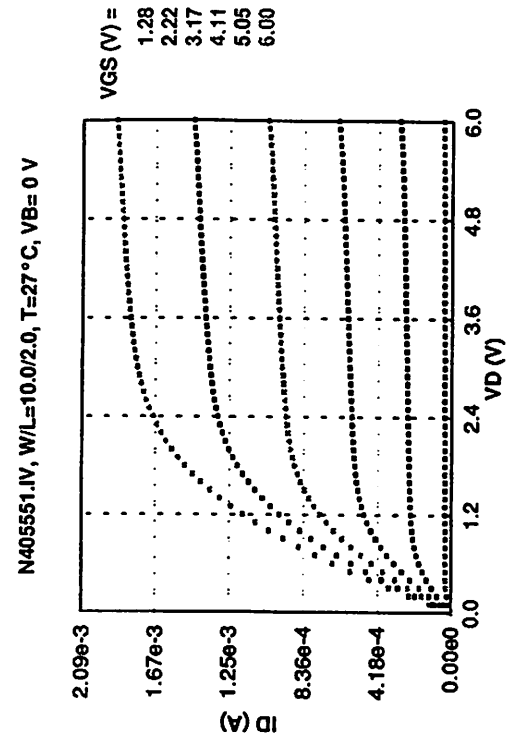


Fig. 32 I-V characteristics of an N-channel MOSFET (W/L=10/2), measured with BSIMPro. (a) Id vs. Vg. (b) Id vs. Vd. (c) Subthreshold. (d) Output resistance.

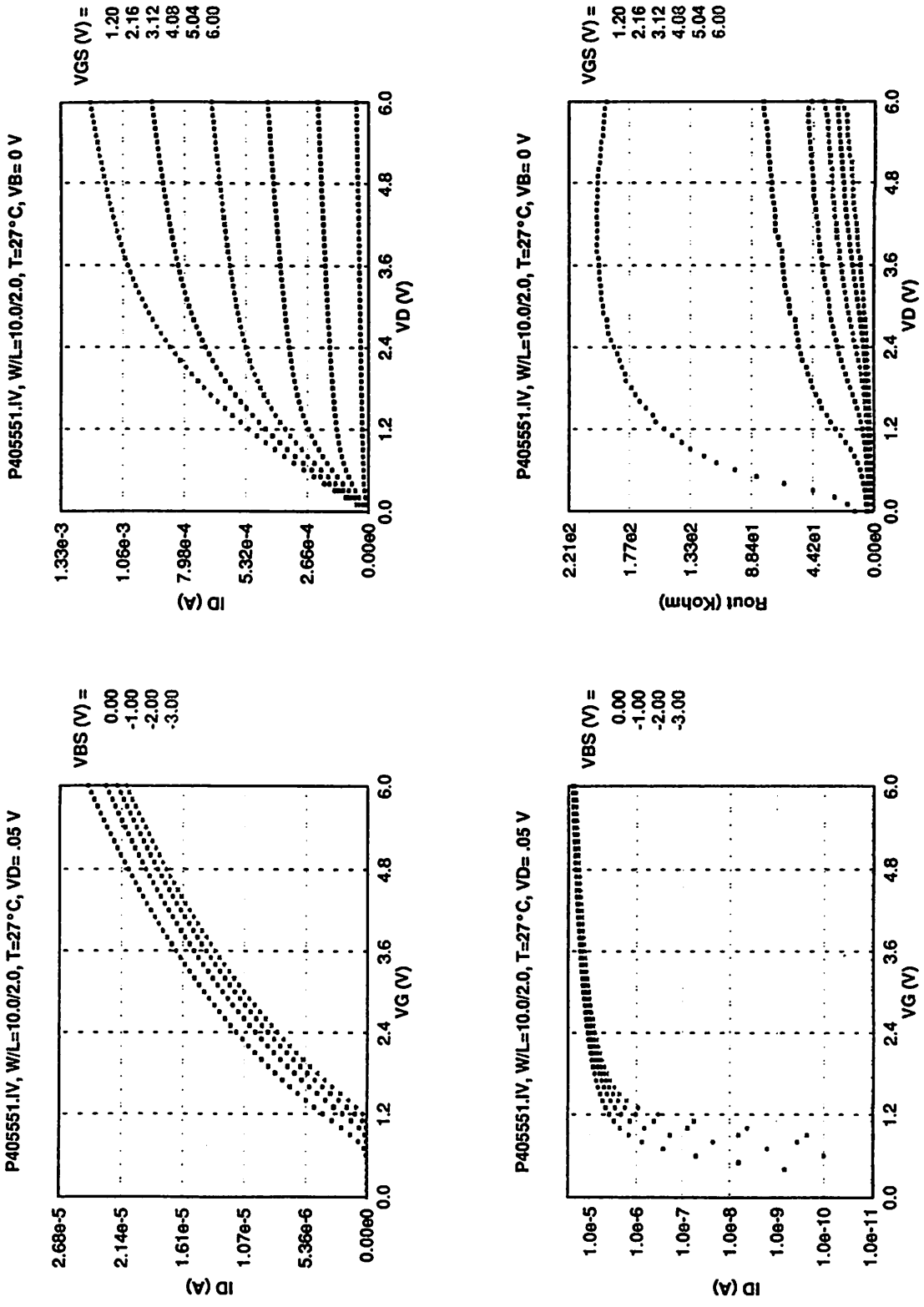


Fig. 33 I-V characteristics of a P-channel MOSFET ( W/L=10/2), measured with BSIMPro.  
 (a) Id vs. Vg. (b) Id vs. Vd. (c) Subthreshold. (d) Output resistance.

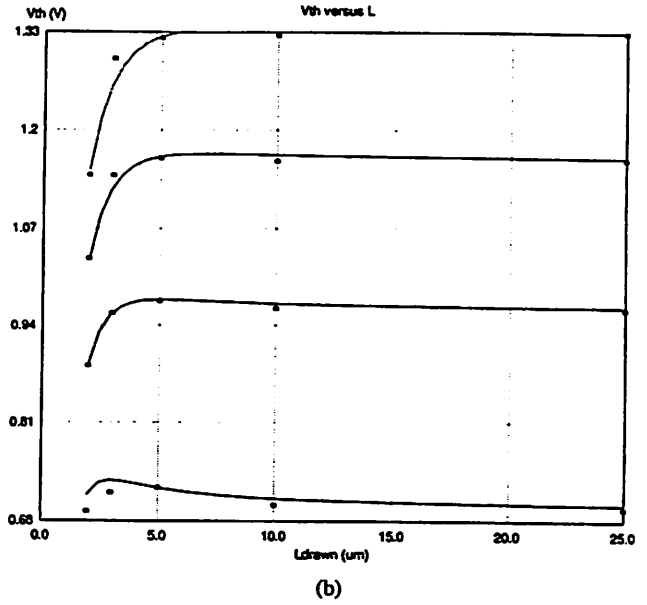
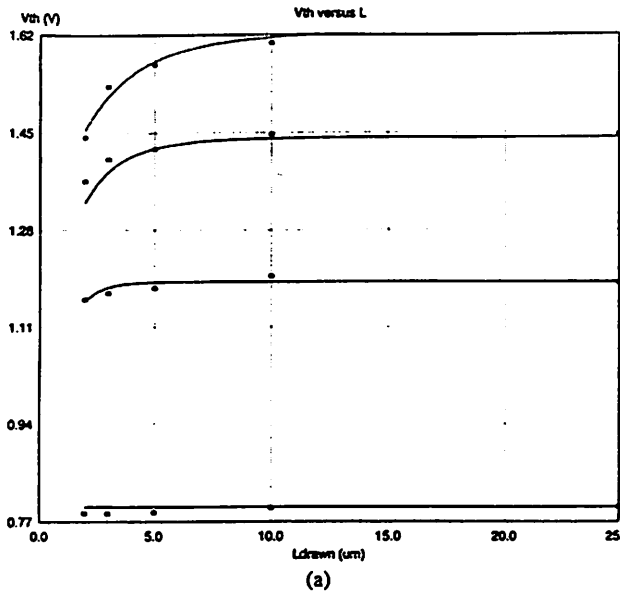


Fig. 34 Threshold voltage vs. channel length (drawn) with different substrate biases. (a) NMOS. (b) PMOS.

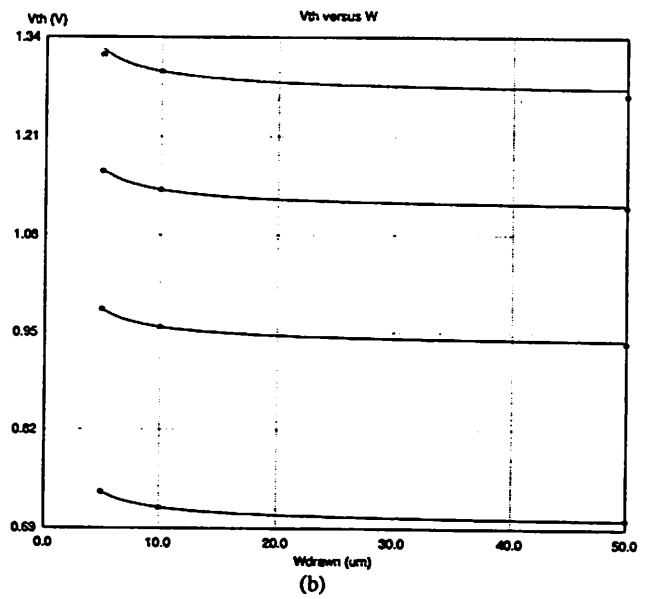
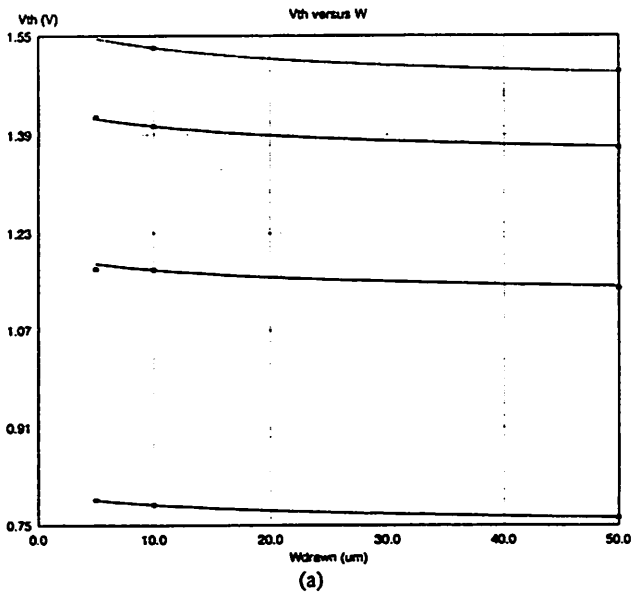


Fig. 35 Threshold voltage vs. channel width (drawn) with different substrate biases. (a) NMOS. (b) PMOS.

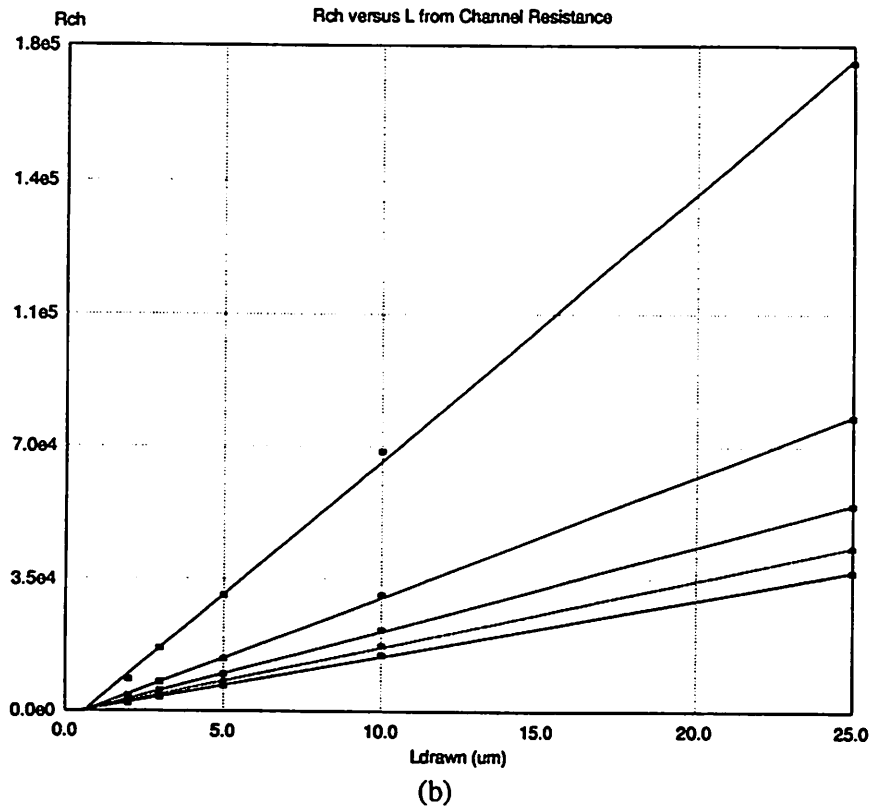
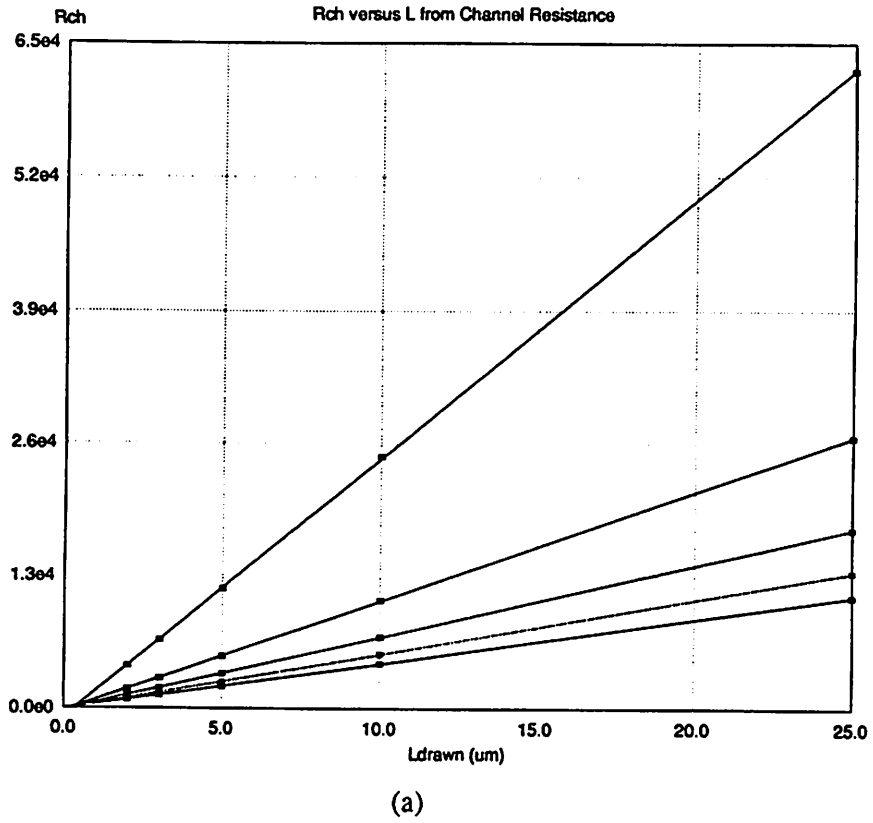


Fig. 36 Effective channel length extraction with BSIMPro. (a) NMOS. (b) PMOS.

## **6 Summary**

The UC Berkeley CMOS baseline is available for participating groups to submit designs for processing, using the device parameter targets in Appendix A, the geometric design rules listed in Appendix B and BSIM3 model for SPICE simulation. Test structures for autoprobe testing are added for statistical evaluation. Successful runs have been completed by the baseline, cooperating with several research groups.

The CMOS baseline continues evolution with future projects including the extension of BSIM3 model support and development of 1.3  $\mu\text{m}$  technology.

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## Appendix A 2 $\mu\text{m}$ N-Well, Double Poly-Si and Double Metal CMOS

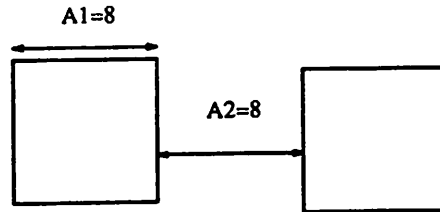
### Process and Device Parameters Targets

| Parameters  | Units                          | N-Channel     | P-Channel    |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| $V_t$   | V                              | 0.74 +/- 0.08 | 0.74 +/- 0.1 |
| $k'$ ( $\mu\text{C}_{\text{ox}}/2$ )  | $\mu\text{A}/\text{V}^2$       | 24 +/- 4      | 13 +/- 3     |
| $\Delta L$ ( $L_{\text{drawn}} - L_{\text{eff}}$ )                                    | $\mu\text{m}$                  | 0.4-0.8       | 0.5-0.9      |
| $\Delta W$ ( $W_{\text{drawn}} - W_{\text{eff}}$ )                                    | $\mu\text{m}$                  | 1.2-1.8       | 1.2-1.9      |
| $\gamma_1$ (low $V_{\text{BS}}$ )   | $\text{V}^{1/2}$               | 0.4-0.65      | 0.4-0.55     |
| $\gamma_2$ (High $V_{\text{BS}}$ )  | $\text{V}^{1/2}$               | 0.15-0.2      | 0.35-0.55    |
| S (Subthreshold Slope)  | mV/decade                      | 96 +/- 4      | 98 +/- 4     |
| $T_{\text{ox}}$   | Angstrom                       | 300 +/- 30    | 300 +/- 30   |
| $X_j$ (S-D)   | $\mu\text{m}$                  | 0.3           | 0.6          |
| $X_w$ (well depth)  | $\mu\text{m}$                  |               | 3.2          |
| $R_{\text{diff}}$ (sheet resistance)  | $\Omega/\text{square}$         | 44 +/- 6      | 59 +/- 8     |
| $R_{\text{poly}}$ (sheet resistance)  | $\Omega/\text{square}$         | 15.1 +/- 1.5  | 15.1 +/- 1.5 |
| $R_{\text{well}}$ (sheet resistance)  | $\text{K}\Omega/\text{square}$ |               | 1.5 +/- 0.3  |
| $R_{\text{cm1-diff}}$ ( $2\mu\text{m} \times 2\mu\text{m}$ )                          | $\Omega$                       | 15 +/- 8      | 8.3 +/- 1    |
| $R_{\text{cm1-poly}}$ ( $2\mu\text{m} \times 2\mu\text{m}$ )                          | $\Omega$                       | 2.24 +/- 1    | 2.24 +/- 1   |
| $ V_{\text{th-field}} $   | V                              | >10           | >10          |
| S-D Breakdown   | V                              | >10           | >10          |
| S-D Leakage Current<br>( $V_{\text{ds}} = 5\text{V}$ , $V_{\text{gs}} = 0\text{V}$ .) | $\text{pA}/\mu\text{m}$        | 0.8           | 2            |
| Ring Oscillator (31 stages)   | MHz                            | 35            |              |

## Appendix B 2 um, N-well, Double Poly and Double Metal CMOS Design Rules

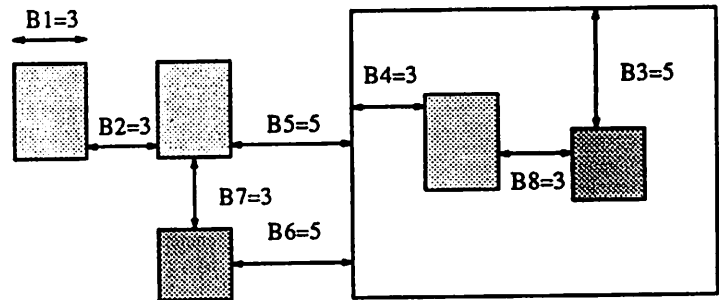
### A. N-well Layer

- A.1 Minimum size:  $8\mu$
- A.2 Minimum spacing:  $8\mu$



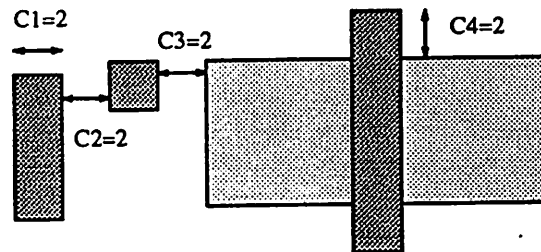
### B. Active Area

- B.1 Minimum size:  $3\mu$
- B.2 Minimum spacing:  $3\mu$
- B.3 N-well overlap of P+:  $5\mu$
- B.4 N-well overlap of N+:  $3\mu$
- B.5 N-well space to N+:  $5\mu$
- B.6 N-well space to P+:  $5\mu$
- B.7 N+ to P+ in substrate:  $3\mu$
- B.8 P+ to N+ in n-well:  $3\mu$



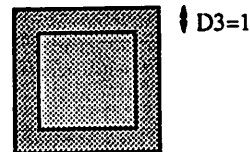
### C. Poly 1 (Gate Poly)

- C.1 Minimum size:  $2\mu$
- C.2 Minimum spacing:  $2\mu$
- C.3 Spacing to active:  $2\mu$
- C.4 Gate extension:  $2\mu$



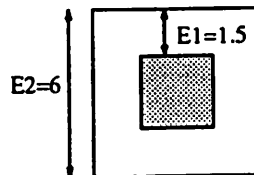
### D. Poly 2 (Capacitor Poly)

- D.1 Minimum size:  $2\mu$
- D.2 Minimum spacing:  $2\mu$
- D.3 Poly 1 overlap of poly 2:  $1\mu$



### E. p-plus/n-plus Implant

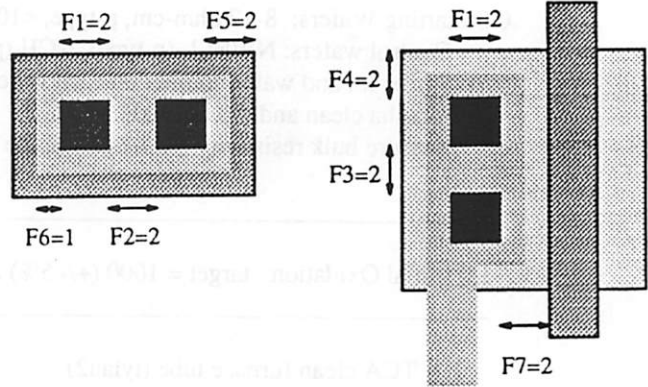
- E.1 Minimum overlap of active:  $1.5\mu$
- E.2 Minimum size:  $6\mu$





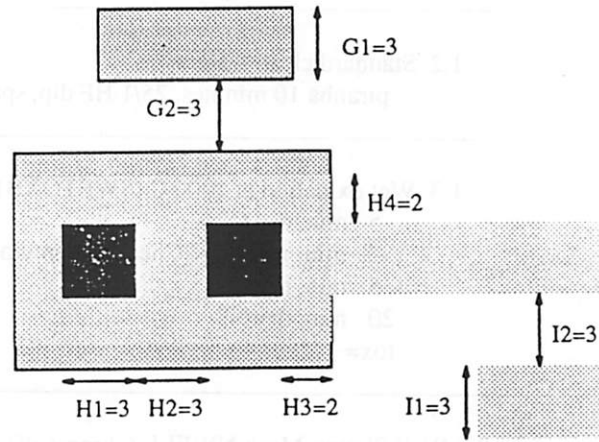
### F. Contact

|                                  |         |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| F.1 Minimum size:                | 2 $\mu$ |
| F.2 Minimum spacing (on poly):   | 2 $\mu$ |
| F.3 Minimum spacing (on active): | 2 $\mu$ |
| F.4 Minimum overlap of active:   | 2 $\mu$ |
| F.5 Minimum overlap of poly:     | 2 $\mu$ |
| F.6 Minimum overlap of metal 1*: | 1 $\mu$ |
| F.7 Minimum spacing to gate:**   | 2 $\mu$ |



### G. Metal 1

|                      |         |
|----------------------|---------|
| G.1 Minimum size:    | 3 $\mu$ |
| G.2 Minimum spacing: | 3 $\mu$ |



### H. Via

|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| H.1 Minimum size:              | 3 $\mu$ |
| H.2 Minimum spacing:           | 3 $\mu$ |
| H.3 Minimum overlap of metal1: | 2 $\mu$ |
| H.4 Minimum overlap of metal2: | 2 $\mu$ |

### I. Metal 2

|                      |         |
|----------------------|---------|
| I.1 Minimum size:    | 3 $\mu$ |
| I.2 Minimum spacing: | 3 $\mu$ |

\*: 2 $\mu$  for BSAC group.

\*\* : 3 $\mu$  for BSAC group.

## Appendix C Microlab CMOS Baseline Process Log

Microlab CMOS Process  
2 um, N-well, double poly-Si, double metal

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0.0 Starting Wafers: 8-12 ohm-cm, p-type, <100>  
Control wafers: NWELL (p-type), NCH (p-type)  
Scribe lot and wafer number on each wafer, including controls.  
Piranha clean and dip in sink8.  
Measure bulk resistivity (ohms-cm) of the controls on sonogage.  
R =

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1.0 Initial Oxidation: target = 1000 (+/- 5%) A

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1.1 TCA clean furnace tube (tylan2).

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1.2 Standard clean wafers:  
piranha 10 minutes, 25/1 HF dip, spin-dry.

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1.3 Wet oxidation at 1000 C (SWETOXB):  
5 min. dry O2  
~9 min. wet O2 (Check the previous run result)  
5 min. dry O2  
20 min. dry N2  
tox=

---

2.0 Well Photo: Mask NWELL (chrome-df)  
(Control wafers are not included in any photoresist step)  
Standard I-line process:  
HMDS, spin (and soft bake), expose, post exposure bake,  
develop, inspect, descum and hard bake.

---

3.0 Well Implant: phosphorus, 5E12/cm2, 150 KeV. Include NWELL.

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4.0 Well Drive-In: target  $x_j = 3.43 \text{ um}$ , tox = 3000 A

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4.1 TCA clean furnace tube (tylan2).

---

4.2 Etch pattern into oxide in 5/1 BHF. Include NWELL.

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4.3 Remove PR in O<sub>2</sub> plasma and clean wafers in sink8.

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4.4 Standard clean wafers in sink6, include NWELL and NCH.

---

4.5 Well drive at 1150 C (WELLDR):

1 hr temperature ramp from 750 C to 1150 C

4 hrs dry O<sub>2</sub>

1 hr dry N<sub>2</sub>

a) Measure oxide thickness.

tox (well)=            tox (outside) =

b) Strip oxide from NWELL and NCH, measure Rs

Rs (NWELL) =

---

4.6 TCA clean the furnace tube after well drive-in is done.

---

5.0 Pad Oxidation/Nitride Deposition:

target = 300 (+60) Å SiO<sub>2</sub> + 1000 (+100) Å Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>

---

5.1 TCA clean furnace tube (tylan5). Reserve tytan9.

---

5.2 Remove all oxide in 5/1 BHF until wafers dewet.

---

5.3 Standard clean wafers. Include NWELL and NCH.

---

5.4 Dry oxidation at 950 C (SGATEOX):

~1 hr. dry O<sub>2</sub>

20 minutes dry N<sub>2</sub> anneal.

Measure tox on NCH. Tox=. NCH proceed to 12.2.

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5.5 Deposit 1000 (+100) Å of Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> immediately (SNITC):

Include NWELL only.

approx.time = 22 min., temp.= 800 C.

Measure nitride thickness on NWELL, using tox value obtained in 5.4. NWELL proceed to Step 10.2.

tnit =

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6.0 Active Area Photo: Mask ACTV (emulsion-cf)

Standard G-line process (First PR).

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7.0 Nitride Etch in lam 1 (Process #3)

Plasma etch in lam 1.

Recipe: Power: Ave. etch time: Overetch:

Measure Tox on each work wafer. (2 pnt measurement).

Do not remove PR. Inspect.

Measure PR thickness covering active area with as200.

PR must be >8 kÅ. Hard bake again for >2hrs at 120 C.

---

8.0 Field (P-) Implant Photo: Mask PFIELD (emulsion-cf)

Reversed NWELL mask)

Standard G-line process. (Second PR)

Well area is covered with PR. Outside well, N-channel

MOSFET active areas are covered with Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> and PR.

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9.0 Field (P-) Ion Implant: B11, 70 KeV, 1.5E13/cm<sup>2</sup>.

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10.0 Locos Oxidation: target = 6500 Å

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10.1 TCA clean furnace tube (tylan2).

---

10.2 Remove PR in O<sub>2</sub> plasma and piranha clean wafers.

Standard clean wafers; dip until field area dewets.

Include NWELL.

---

10.3 Wet oxidation at 950 C (SWETOXB):

5 min. dry O<sub>2</sub>

4 hrs. 40 min. wet O<sub>2</sub>

5 min. dry O<sub>2</sub>

20 min. N<sub>2</sub> anneal

Measured tox on 3 work wafers. Tox=

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11.0 Nitride Removal (Include NWELL.)

---

11.1 Dip in 5/1 HF for 30 sec to remove thin oxide on top of Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>.

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11.2 Etch nitride off in phosphoric acid at 145 C.

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12.0 Sacrificial Oxide: target = 200 (+/- 20) Å

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12.1 TCA clean furnace tube (tylan5).

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12.2 Standard clean wafers. Include NWELL and NCH.  
Dip in 10:1 BHF until NWELL and NCH dewet.

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12.3 Dry oxidation at 950 C (SGATEOX):  
30 minutes dry O<sub>2</sub>  
20 minutes N<sub>2</sub> anneal  
Measure Tox on 3 wfrs. Tox=

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13.0 Threshold Implant (blanket): B11, 30 KeV, 1.7E12/cm<sup>2</sup>.

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14.0 Gate Oxidation/Poly-Si Deposition:  
target = 300 (+/- 30) Å SiO<sub>2</sub> + 4500 (+/- 300) Å poly-Si

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14.1 TCA clean furnace tube (tylan5).  
Reserve poly-Si deposition tube (tylan11).

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14.2 Standard clean wafers, including NWELL, NCH and, five  
Tox and one Tpoly1 monitoring wafers.

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14.3 Dip off sacrificial oxide in 10/1 HF  
until PWELL and PCH dewet (approx. 1 min).

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14.4 Dry oxidation at 950 C (SGATEOX):  
~1 hrs dry O<sub>2</sub> (Check previous run result)  
20 minutes N<sub>2</sub> anneal.  
Measure 5 pnts on 3 Tox monitoring wfrs. Tox=

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14.5 Immediately after oxidation deposit 4500 Å of phos.doped  
poly-Si (SDOPOLYH).  
approx.time = 2 hr. 50 min., temp.= 610 C  
Include Tpoly1, PWELL and PCH.  
Tpoly1= Measure 5 pnts on Tpoly1, PWELL and PCH.  
Tpoly1, NWELL and NCH proceed to Step 19.2.

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15.0 Gate Definition: Mask POLY (emulsion-cf)  
Standard I-Line process.

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16.0 Plasma etch poly-Si

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16.1 Etch poly in Lam4.

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16.2 Measure Tox in S/D area of each work wafer.

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17.0 Capacitor Formation:

target = 800 A SiO<sub>2</sub> on 1st poly + 4500 A 2nd poly.

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17.1 TCA clean furnace tube (tylan2). Reserve tylan11.

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17.2 Standard clean wafers, including NWELL and NCH, Tpoly1 and one of gate oxidation monitoring wafers as a 2nd poly monitoring wafer, Tpoly2. Tpoly2 proceeds to Step 19.4. From here on: only 10 sec dip in 25/1 H<sub>2</sub>O/HF after piranha.

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17.3 Dry oxidation at 950 C (SDRYOXB):

56 min dry O<sub>2</sub> (Check the previous lot result).

20 min N<sub>2</sub> anneal.

Measure oxide thickness on poly with nanoduv:

tox(NWELL) =            tox(NCH) =

NCH proceeds to 23 and NWELL proceeds to Step 26.

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17.4 Second poly-Si deposition: immediately after oxidation deposit 4500 A of phos.doped poly-Si (SDOPOLYH): approx.time = 2 hr. 50 min, temp.= 610 C. Tpoly2=

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18.0 Capacitor Photo: Mask CAP-CE (emulsion-cf),the same mask for pwell. Standard I-Line process.

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19.0 Plasma etch poly-Si:

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19.1 Etch 2nd poly in Lam4. Inspect.

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19.2 Measure Tox in S/D area on each work wafer. Remove PR in O<sub>2</sub> plasma.

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19.3 Measure line width of 2 um gates on each work wafer.  
Piranha clean wfrs in sink8.  
Dehydrate wfrs in oven for > 30 min. at 120 C.

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20.0 N+ S/D Photo: Mask N-S/D (chrome-df)  
Std I-line process. Inspect. Hard bake.

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21.0 N+ S/D Implant: Arsenic, 160 keV, 5E15/cm2, incl. NWLL and NCH.

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22.0 N+ S/D Anneal

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22.1 TCA clean furnace tube (tylan7).

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22.2 Remove PR in O2 plasma and piranha clean wafers  
in sink8 (no dip here).

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22.3 Standard clean wafers in sink6, include NCH.

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22.4 Anneal in N2 at 950 C for 1 hr (N2ANNEAL).

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23.0 P+ S/D Photo: Mask P-S/D (emulsion-cf)  
Std I-line process. Inspect!  
All areas are covered with PR except P-channel areas.

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24.0 P+ S/D Implant: B11 at 30 keV, 5E15/cm2, include NWELL.

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25.0 PSG Deposition and Densification: target = 7000 A

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25.1 Remove PR in O2 plasma and piranha clean wafers  
in sink8 (no dip).

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25.2 Std clean wfrs in sink6 (10 sec dip).  
Include NWELL, NCH and one PSG monitoring wafer.

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25.3 Deposit 7000 A PSG, PH3 flow at 10.3 sccm (SDOLTOD).  
approx.time = 35 min. (check current dep. rate)  
temp. = 450 C

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25.4 Densify glass in tylan2 at 950 C, immediately after  
PSG deposition (PSGDENS). Include PSG control.  
5 min dry O2, 20 min wet O2, 5 min dry O2.  
Measure tPSG=  
Etch oxide on NWELL and NCH, and measure poly  
sheet resistivity on NWELL and NCH with prometrix.

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25.5 Do wet oxidation dummy run afterwards to clean tube:  
1 hr wet oxidation at 950 C (SWETOXB).

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26.0 Contact Photo: Mask CONT (chrome-df)  
Std I-Line process.

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27.0 Contact Etch:  
Plasma etch in Lam2.

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28.0 Back side etch:

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28.1 Remove PR in O2 plasma, piranha clean wfrs in sink8 (no dip).  
Dehydrate wafers in oven at 120 C for >30 min.

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28.2 Etch backside:  
(NWELL and PWELL can be included in b), c) and d).  
a) Spin PR on front side, hard bake.  
b) Dip off oxide (PSG) in 5:1 BHF.  
c) Etch poly-Si (poly2 thickness) in lam4.  
d) Etch oxide off in 5:1 BHF (cap. ox. thickness).  
e) Etch poly-Si (poly1 thickness) in lam4.  
f) Final dip in BHF until back dewets.  
g) Remove PR in PRS2000, piranha clean wfrs in sink8 (no dip).

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29.0 Metallization: target = 6000 A  
Std clean wfrs and do a 30 sec. 25/1 H2O/HF dip just  
before metallization.  
Sputter Al/2% Si on all wafers in CPA.

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30.0 Metal Photo: Mask METAL1-CM (emulsion-cf)  
Std I-line process. Hard bake for >2 hrs.

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31.0 Plasma etch Al in Lam3.  
Remove PR in PRS2000 or technics-c. tAl=  
Probe test devices.

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32.0 Sintering: 400 C for 20min in forming gas (tylan13).  
No ramping, use SINT400 program.

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33.0 Testing:  
2um N- and P-channel devices, capacitors and inverter  
Measure the sheet resistivities of NWELL and  
NCH on prometrix.

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34.0 Planerization and Dielectric Film Deposition:

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34.1 PECVD thin oxide (500 A) in technics-B:  
N2O: 54.0, Silane: 14.0, Pwr: 15 W, Pressure: 360-420 mT.  
~5 min. Measure Tox on dummy wafers.

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34.2 SOG coating on the Headway spinner at 3000 rpm, 20 sec.

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34.3 SOG cure:  
a) Oven in Y2, 120 C, 30 min.  
b) Oven in R1, 200 C, 30 min.  
c) Tylan14 (SVANNEAL): 400oC, 30 min.  
d) Measure Tox and refractive index on dummy wafers.

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34.4 PECVD thick oxide (to total SOG & PECVD 8000 A) in technics-B:  
N2O: 54.0, Silane: 14.0, Pwr: 15W, Pressure: 360-420mT  
Use the dep. rate obtained from 34.1 and calculate  
the dep. time. Rotate the wafers 180 degrees  
at the half way point of the deposition.  
Measure Tox and refractive index on dummy wafers.

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35.0 VIA Photo:

I-line 1.6 um thickness process. Descum in technics-c.  
Hard bake.

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36.0 Etch VIA in lam2.

Need overetch. Test metal1 patterns on the wafers  
with 4-pnt probe to see if the end point is reached.

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37.0 Metal2 Metallization. target = 8000-9000 A

Remove PR in PRS2000 or technics-c. Rinse the wafers in  
sink7 and spin dry.  
Sputter Al/2% Si on all wafers in CPA.

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38.0 Metal Photo: Mask METAL1-CM (emulsion-cf)

G-line double thickness process. Descum in technics-c.  
Hard bake for >2 hrs.

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39.0 Plasma etch Al in Lam3.

Remove PR in PRS2000 or technics-c.

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40.0 Sintering: 400 C for 20min in forming gas (tylan13).

No ramping, use SINT400 program.

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41.0 Testing:

Measure Metal1 and Metal2 contact chain.

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End of Process

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