Introduction to Nanophysics

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What is the size for a "nano" ?

One (nm) equals to 1/100000000 (10⁻⁹) meter

厘米 10⁻³ m , Macro 微米 10⁻⁶ m , Micro 奈米 10⁻⁹ m , Meso

R. Feymann Already Knew about this !



" There's plenty of room at the bottom ! " in 1959.

Physicists noticed the "Nano" as early as

- 4th Century, Roman glassmaker: the color of glasses can be changed by mixing in metal particles
- In 1883, Films containing silver halides for photography were invented by George Eastman, founder of Koda.
- 1908, Gustay Mie first provided the explanation of the size dependence of color.
- Vision from Feynman in 1959: "There is plenty room at the bottom", and also recognized "there are plenty of nature-given nanostructures in biological systems".
- 1950-1960, small metal particles were investigated by physicists.
- 1957, Ralph Landauer realized the importance of quantum mechanics plays in devices at small scales.
- Before 1997 => mesoscopic (or low dimensional) physics : quantum dots, wells, wires....are known already.

Major Topics of Nanoscience and Technology



What is the Nano Technology?

Science and Technology Down scaling to size under 100 nm:

Via "Top-down" lithographic pattering: -- Moore's law !

Manipulate the atomic and molecular structures:

"Bottom-up" nano materials, growth and assembly.

Feymann: There's plenty of room at the bottom



近來大力推動奈米科技的背景

來自微電子學可能遭遇瓶頸的考慮Moore's Law: 摩爾定律A 30% decrease in the size of
printed dimensions every 1.5 years.





Gordon Moore

Two basic modern electronic technologies in condensed matter physics field

MOSFETMRAM

Metal-Oxide-Field Effect Transistor (MOSFET)



1960 Kahng and Atalla, First MOSFET 1970 First IC, 1 kbit, 750 khz microprocessor

電子科技之基礎--MOSFET (metal-oxide-semiconductor field-effect transistor)



電子科技之基礎--磁記錄



Bottom-up Nano systems & Self-Assembly enabling to design large molecules and nano materials



Five major lessons that we have learned

The First Lesson :

Bulk-to-nano Transition

Ex: size-dependence of melting temperature



Ph. Buffat and J-P. Borel, Phys. Rev. A13, 2287 (1976)

Ex: size-dependence of color

powered cadmium selenide (CdSe)



Ex: size-dependence of magnetism



A. J. Cox et al. Phys. Rev. B49, 12295 (1994)

The Second Lesson : The Advent of Nano Era

The ability of growing the nano scale materials and structures

The ability of detecting and manipulating on the nano scale

(I) Advance in thin film growth:

Such as molecular beam epitaxy (MBE), atomic layer deposition (ALD), laser MBE, etc...

For nano electronics in metals, oxides, and semiconductors

(II) Detection at nano scale: STM, AFM, MFM, STEM, Cs-TEM

➢ In 1982, Binning, and Rohrer in IBM invented scanning tunneling microscope (STM).

➢ In 1986, Binning, Quate, and Gerber invented the atomic force microscope (AFM).

Integrated MBE Multi-chamber System



Now located at the Nano Science & Technology Center, ITRI, Hsin Chu, Taiwan

For metals, oxides and semiconductor films on the nano scale



Scanning Tunneling Microscope (STM)



Figure 1.10 Scanning tunneling microscope. (From C. Julian Chen, Introduction to Scanning Tunneling Microscopy, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1993.)

Scanning Tunneling Microscope (STM) – Physicist used to detect nano structures



Nature 409, 304 (2001)







Quantum Corral

of 7.13 nm radius, 48 Fe atoms on the Cu (111) surface



This STM image shows the direct observation of standing-wave patterns in the local density of states of the Cu(111) surface. These spatial oscillations are quantum mechanical interference patterns caused by scattering of the 2D electron gas off the Fe adatoms and point defects.

Crommue, Luts, and Eigler, Science 262, 218-220, 1993

Scanning Transmission Electron Microscopy



Prof. C. H. Chen and Dr. M.-W. Chu In CCMS/NTU.

Spherical Aberration Corrected (球面相差) Cs-STEM by C. H. Chen at CCMS, NTU



High-Angle ADF: Si dumbbell, 1.36 Å spacing

(440); 0.96Å

0

(004) 1.36Å

15s exposure

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Si [110]

60s exposure

Drift ~1Å/min !!

InGaAs/InAIAs superlattices on InP Substrate by MBE



Atomic Resolution STEM Imaging: Z-contrast



Electron Energy-Loss Spectroscopy (EELS)



Coulomb Interaction



, where ho_q the electron density operator



$$\frac{d^{2}\sigma}{d\Omega d\Box E} \sim \sum_{f} \left| \langle \psi_{f} | v(q) | \psi_{i} \rangle \right|^{2} \delta(E_{i} - E_{f} - \Delta E)$$

$$\sim \frac{1}{q^{4}} \cdot S(\omega, q) \longrightarrow X-ray$$

$$\sim \frac{1}{q^{2}} \cdot Im \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon(\omega, q)} \right] \longrightarrow EELS$$

Spectral Imaging at Ultimate Spatial Resolution

Plasmonic Mapping: STEM-EELS (2-Å Probe)



M.-W. Chu et al., Nano Lett. 9, 399 (2009).

Chemical Mapping: STEM-EDX (1-Å Probe)

InGaAs





M.-W. Chu et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 104, 196101 (2010).

The Third Lesson:

The importance of Quantum Physics

The cause for variation of scaling

- Influence of Boundary
 - --Increase of proportion of boundaries
 - --Existence of surface / edge modes
 - --Geometrical reconstruction
- Decrease of the number of particles decrease of confinement, increase of perturbation
- Different scaling for different physical entity

Quantum Effect:

=> Most likely to have new breakthrough !



Bulk Limit 🖨 Nano Limit

For bulk materials λ << L



For nano materials λ~L



Major Quantum Effects at the Nano Scale

- Interference
- Quantization
- Tunneling
- Quantum spin

(I) Interference
The wonder of electron in waves



The wave property of electrons

when we XIVINLA

Double Slit Interference of Electrons







(II) Quantization

Confinement of the materials wave



Standing Wave



Quantizations



Quantum well: 1D confinement



Quantum wire: 2 D-Confinement



SEM images of MoO_x nanowires on graphite surfaces

Science **290**, 2120-2123, (2000).

Quantum dot: 3D - Confinement



Smalley et al, Rice Univ, (1985)

Quantum Dots of various shape







(III) Tunneling and Nano-electronics



Quantum tunneling is the major effect for the failure of transistor at nano scale



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Scaling Limits to CMOS Technology



Shrinking the junction depth increasing the carrier concentration



Reliability: 25 **22** 18 16 Å?

processing and yield issue

Tunneling: 15 Å

Design Issue: chosen for $1A/cm^2$ leakage $I_{on}/I_{off} >> 1$ at 12 Å

Bonding:

Fundamental Issues---

- how many atoms do we need to get bulk-like properties?
 EELS -- Minimal 4 atomic layers !!
- Is the interface electronically abrupt?
- Can we control roughness?

In 1997, a gate oxide was 25 silicon atoms thick.

In 2007, a gate oxide will be 5 silicon atoms thick, if we still use SiO_2

and at least 2 of those 5 atoms will be at the interfaces.

Fundamental Materials Selection Guidelines



 $Si + MO_{x} \longrightarrow M + SiO_{2}$ $Si + MO_{x} \longrightarrow MSi_{2} + SiO_{2}$ $Si + MO_{x} \longrightarrow MSiO_{x} + SiO_{2}$

Thermodynamic stability in contact with Si to 750°C and higher. (Hubbard and Schlom) Alkaline earth oxide, IIIB, IVB oxide and rare earth oxide

- Dielectric constant, band gap, and conduction band offset
- Defect related leakage, substantially less than
 - SiO_2 at $t_{eq} < 1.5$ nm
- Low interfacial state density $D_{it} < 10^{11} \text{ eV}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
- Low oxygen diffusivity
- Crystallization temperature >1000°C
- t_{eq} : equivalent oxide thickness (EOT) to be under 1.0 nm $t_{eq} = t_{ox} \kappa_{SiO2} / \kappa_{ox}$

Basic Characteristics of Binary Oxide Dielectrics

Dielectrics	SiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	Y ₂ O ₃	HfO ₂	Ta ₂ O ₅	ZrO ₂	La ₂ O ₃	TiO ₂
Dielectric constant	3.9	9.0	18	20	25	27	30	80
Band gap (eV) Band offset (eV)	9.0 3.2	8.8 2.5	5.5 2.3	5.7 1.5	4.5 1.0	7.8 1.4	4.3 2.3	3.0 1.2
Free energy of formation $MO_x+Si_2 \longrightarrow M+SiO_2$ @727C, Kcal/mole of MO_x	-	63.4	116.8	47.6	-52.5	42.3	98.5	7.5
Stability of amorphous phase	High	High	High	Low	Low	Low	High	High
Silicide formation ?	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hydroxide formation ?	-	Some	Yes	Some	Some	Some	Yes	Some
Oxygen diffusivity @950C (cm ² /sec)	$2x \ 10^{-14}$	5x 10 ⁻²⁵	?	?	5	10 ⁻¹²	5	10 ⁻¹³

Integration Issues for High K Gate Stack



Critical Integration Issues

- Morphology dependence of leakage *Amorphous vs crystalline films?*
- Interfacial structures
- Thermal stability
- Gate electrode compatibility
- Reliability

Fundamental Limitations

- Fixed charge
- Dopant depletion in poly-Si gate
- Dopant diffusion
- Increasing field in the channel region

Si CMOS Device Scaling – Beyond 22 nm node High κ, Metal gates, and High mobility channel



Intel Transistor Scaling and Research Roadmap

Transistor Scaling and Research Roadmap



More non-silicon elements introduced





Why III-V MOSFETs?



III-V semiconductors

- high electron mobility/drift velocity
- sophisticated band-gap engineering
- → improved power/performance tradeoff
- \checkmark high frequency or optical applications
- ✓ substantial manufacturing experience

High-κ / III-V MOSFETs

◆ Schottky gate (MESFET/HEMT) → MOS gate
 → reduced gate leakage

	ľ	V	III-V							
	Si	Ge	GaAs	In _{0.53} Ga _{0.47} As	InAs	GaSb	InSb			
Electron Mobility (cm²/V·s)	1,400	3,900	8,500	12,000	40,000	3000	77,000			
Hole mobility (cm²/V·s)	450	1,900	400	450	500	1000	850			
Bandgap (eV)	1.11	0.67	1.42	0.74	0.36	0.72	0.17			

The Grand Challenges for III-V/Ge CMOS



Science and Technology of Ultimate CMOS

The Ultimate CMOS – End of road map

To achieve higher speed and lower power consumption

R&D of III-V InGaAs MOSFET *state-of-art* technology below 5 nm node, by combining advanced analysis of spectroscopy/microscopy/quantum transport/theoretical modeling



Tunneling-FETs offer sharper turn-on devices compared to MOSFETs Lower VDD to lower switching energy (*Pactive* ~*C* · *VDD*²) Better performance for ultra low-power applications



(IV) Quantum Spin

Spin and Nano technology

Electron Spin is the smallest unit of magnetism, came from Quantum Mechanics



Often being used for magnetic recording ~30 billion market



Well read: spintronics has dramatically increased data storage densities in hard drives.

Spintronics \Leftrightarrow Electronics

New generation of computer

Computation and storage in one shot





Fig. 7. A schematic representation of RAM that is constructed of magnetic tunnel junctions connected together in a point contact array. The conducting wires provide current to the junctions and permit voltage measurements to be made. They also enable the manipulation of the magnetization of the elements by carrying currents both above and below the magnetic junctions to create magnetic fields.

When turn-on, it is ready!

Artificial Superlattice

--- Matching the structural periodicity with physical length scale of superconductivity and magnetism -- Modulation of physical properties



Invention of metal molecular beam epitaxy in 1981 -- Single crystal epitaxial superlattices with atomically abrupt interfaces

Caxis 0001 Tm Dy Gd, Dy

Spin structures of heavy rare - earths

HCP crystal structure

- Similar crystal- chemical nature of rare earths form coherent superlattices
- Metallic superlattice effect
 - Long range nature of the indirect exchange interaction
 - Magnetic coupling of magnetic rare earth through non magnetic Y, Lu
 - Modulation of magnetic properties of Gd - Y Superlattices
 - Spin structure modification of Tm Y, Dy - Y Superlattices
- 2-dimensional magnetism
- Interfacial magnetism

Neutron Diffraction Studies of the Gd₁₀-Y₁₀ Magnetic Superlattice Antiferromagnetically coupled below 200K


Spin Structure Tailoring in artificial Superlattices Gd-Y Dy-Y Gd-Dy



Year 1984-1989

Giant Magnetoresistance (GMR)

Ferro. Para.

Ferro.

Ferro. Para

Ferro. Para. Ferro.

What is GMR?

- GMR is a very large change in electrical resistance that is observed in a ferromagnet/paramagnet multilayer structure.
- Resistance change occurs when the relative orientations of the magnetic moments in alternate ferromagnetic layers change as a function of applied field.
- The total resistance of this material is lowest when the magnetic orientations of the ferromagnetic layers are aligned, is highest when the orientations are anti-aligned.

M. N. Baibich, J. M. Broto, A. Fert, F. Nguyen Van Dau, and F. Petroff, *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **61**, 2472 (1988).

First Evidence of GMR



 H_s corresponds to the field at which all layer magnetizations point along the field direction.

Fe

Cr

Fe

Spin-Valve GMR

The simple structure of Spin-valve GMR :



The magnetization of the top permalloy layer is free to rotate as the field is varied. The second permalloy layer is fixed due to its exchange interaction with the FeMn layer.

GMR Spin Valve Reading Head



When the head passes over these magnetic bits, the magnetization direction of the free layer in the head responds to the field in each bit by rotating either up or down.

The resulting change in the resistance is sensed by the voltage across the GMR head (current passing through the GMR element is constant).

Dr. K. Gilleo, Cookson Electronics ; N. Kerrick and G. Nicholls, AMPM

Quantum behavior of ferromagnets -Spin as a quantum qubit



 $qubit = \alpha | 0 \rangle + \beta | 1 \rangle$

Due to superposition More information!

Tentative roadmap



Can we take the "charge" out of Spintronics ? To generate pure spin current !

Courtesy Claude Chappert Université Paris Su INTERMAG 2008 Madrid Spain

Reciprocal conversion between spin and charge currents



Y. K. Kato, R. C. Myers, A. C. Gossard, and D. D. Awschalom, Science, 306, 1910 (2004). ; J. Wunderlich, B. Kaestner, J. Sinova, and T. Jungwirth, Phys. Rev. Lett. 94, 047204 (2005). ; E. Saitoh, M. Ueda, H. Miyajima, and G. Tatara, Appl. Phys. Lett, 88, 182509, (2006).



- Reducing the heat generated in traditional electronics is a major driving force for developing spintronics.
- Spin-based transistors do not strictly rely on the raising or lowering of electrostatic barriers, hence it may overcome scaling limits in charge-based transistors.
- Spin transport in semiconductors may lead to dissipationless transfer of information by pure spin currents.
- Allow computer speed and power consumption to move beyond limitations of current technologies.

Reliable generation of pure spin currents!

- ✓ Spin Hall effect (2004)
- ✓ Spin Pumping (2006)
- ✓ Inverse Spin Hall effect (2006)
- ✓ Spin Seebeck effect (2008)
- ✓ Spin Caloritronics (2010)

Thermoelectric effect

- The interplay between charge currents and heat
- To convert temperature differences ΔT to electric voltage ΔV
- 1. Thermocuple





2. Seebeck effect (1821)



 $\Delta T \rightarrow V$ S = $\Delta V / \Delta T$ S: Seebeck Coefficient

Spin Seebeck effect: the interplay between spin current and heat



Generation of a "spin voltage" as a result of a temperature gradient in magnetic materials

$$\delta V_{spin} = S_{spin} \delta T$$

 $\nabla T \implies a \text{ spin imbalance}$

The up- spin and down-spin conduction electrons of a FM metal have different chemical potential μ , with different scattering rate and density, thus result in J_{\uparrow} and J_{\downarrow} of different amount. $S_{spin} = (1/e)[\partial \mu_{\uparrow} / \partial T - \partial \mu_{\downarrow} / \partial T]$

J₁ and J_{\downarrow} flow in opposite directions along ∇T , and lead to a net J_s

$$\boldsymbol{j}_s = \boldsymbol{j}_{\uparrow} - \boldsymbol{j}_{\downarrow} = (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\uparrow} \boldsymbol{S}_{\uparrow} - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\downarrow} \boldsymbol{S}_{\downarrow})(-\nabla \boldsymbol{T})$$

This pure spin current flows without charge current in open-circuit condition.

Use heat to generate the spin current \rightarrow Spin Caloritronics ! >

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Major Qauntum Effect at the nano scale

- Interference
- Quantization
- Tunneling
- Quantum Spin

The Fourth Lesson:

Innovations of nano structures and nano materials for various applications

Overview of Advanced Materials Laboratory



National Taiwan University

The Nano-world at CCMS-AML: a Fruitful Research Field with Technology Implications

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Wire/Rod

Tube

Belt

Peapod

Nanotip

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A Color-selective Nanoswitch

Photosensitive Gold Nanoparticle-embedded Dielectric Nanowires

M. S. Hu, et al., Nature Materials 5, 102-106 (2006)

A Fast Breaking Paper



In ancient Arabian story of "Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves", the treasure is in a cave, of which the mouth is sealed by magic. It opens on the words "Open Sesame" and seals itself on the words "Close Sesame".

The nanopeapod (i.e., gold nanoparticle-embedded dielectric nanowire) will open to green light, but shut for lights of other colors.

- Si Nanotips-Array and their Hetero-junctions: On-chip, IC-compatible
- * Antireflection: Broadband (uv-terahertz), Omnidirectional (>70°)
- * Electroluminescence in ZnO/SiNTs: IR emission, x10 higher; turn-on ~3V, x2 lower than film







Nano Letters 9 (2009) 1839

A Man-made Moth Eye

Broadband and quasi-omni-directional, anti-reflection Properties with biomimetic Silicon nanostructure

Y. F. Huang, et al., Nature Nanotechnology 2, 770-774 (2007) & US Patent 2005 Featured by NPG Asia Materials, March 2008



Many plants and animals have tiny surface structures that absorb certain wavelengths of light. These naturally formed nanostructures provide the colors in butterfly wings, camouflage for cicadas and enable moths to capture as much light as possible when flying at night. Now, we have created nanostructure surfaces which mimic moth eye and surpass its function in **anti-reflection** in that they absorb almost all incident light.

Building a Nano-scale Bridge On-chip

On-chip Fabrication of Well Aligned and Contact Barrier-Free GaN Nanobridge Devices with Ultrahigh Photocurrent Responsivity

R. S. Chen, et al., Small 4, 925-929 (2008)



- Nanowire: Naturally formed core-shell structure, 1D electron gas-like property
- On-chip process for building GaN nanobridge devices, which provide a large surface area, short transport path, and high responsivity for next-generation sensors and detectors

The Fifth Lesson:

Nano photonics and

Bio-applications

Nano-photonics and Plasmonics Near-field examination of blue-ray discs

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- Scattering-type SNOM reveals sub-10 nm optical signature.
- The optical contrasts of the dark and the bright regions in near-field image of phasechange layer correspond to amorphous and polycrystalline AgInSbTe, respectively.
- Small bright spots with a size of ~30 nm emerge within the dark region, corresponding to the nano-sized ordered domains in the TEM image.
- s-SNOM provides a direct optical probe in nanometer scale for high density optical storage media.
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Creating Monodispersed Ordered Arrays of Surface-Magic-Clusters and Anodic Alumia Nanochannels by Constrained Self-organization



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SERS detection of bacterial cell wall



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- Sensitive and stable SERS profiles based on our substrates readily reflect different bacterial cell walls found in Gram-positive, Gram-negative, and mycobacteria group.
- Characteristic changes in SERS profile are recognized in the *drug-sensitive* bacteria to antibiotic exposure, which could be used to differentiate them from the *drug-resistant* ones.

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The Advent of Carbon Era ?

The Physics of Graphene: - Possibility of relativistic electronics and spintronics

Background for search new platform



Carbon Nanotube



Carbon Nanotube



Carbon Nanotube based Transistors / Electronics

Unexpected realization of graphene sheet





mechanically exfoliated graphene sheets

AFM image of single-layer graphene on SiO₂ K.S. Novoselove et al., Science 306, 666 (2004)

Twisted (bilayer) Graphene

θ = 1.1°
Superconductivity
Magnetism

Twistronics ?

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