

EK 307: Electric Circuits

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Lecture 1

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- ~~• Course Material: <http://learn.bu.edu>~~

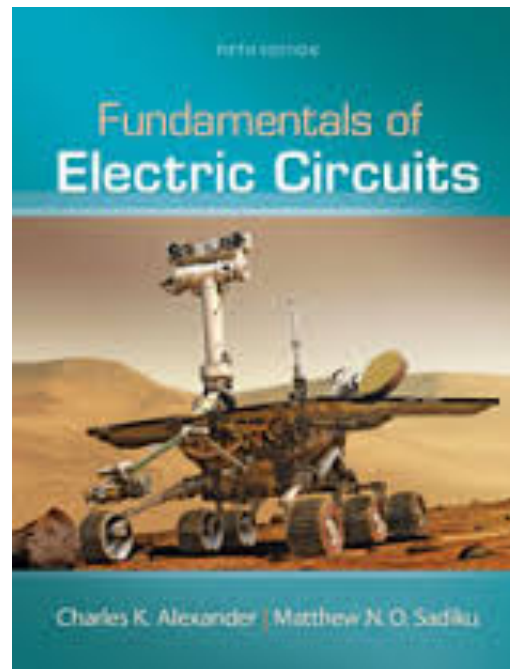
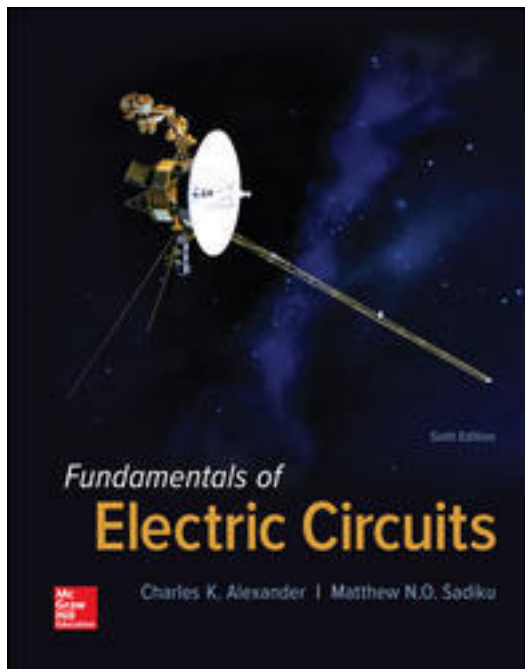
- Labs website: <http://sites.bu.edu/engcourses/ek307/>
 - also for course materials and homework sets/solutions

- ~~• Homework: BU edX (edge.edx.org)~~



Administrivia

- Textbook
 - Fundamentals of Electric Circuits, by C. Alexander and M. Sadiku, 6th Edition.
 - 5th edition also works, very similar



Administrivia

- Grading:

- Midterm Exam 1 20%
- Midterm Exam 2 20%
- Final Exam 30%
- Homework 10%
- Labs 20%

- Homework:

- Distributed and graded on edX
- Out each Friday, due by Monday 10 days from then (usually)

Week\Day	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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September 2017

1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
			L1	L1, L1	L2	h1 out	
2	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		L2, L2	L3	L3, L3	L4	h2 out	
3	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	h1 due	L4, L4	L5	L5, L5	L6	h3 out	
4	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	h2 due	L6, L6	L7	L7, L7	L8	h4 out	

October 2017

5	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	h3 due	L8, L8	L9	L9, L9	L10	h5 out	
6	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	h4 due	Holiday	L10, L10	L11, L11	L11	h6 out	
7	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	h5 due	L12, L12	L12	L13, L13	L13	h7 out	
8	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	h6 due	L14, L14	L14	L15, L15	L15	h8 out	

November 2017

9	29	30	31	1	2	3	4
	h7 due	L16, L16	L16	L17, L17	L17	h9 out	
10	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	h8 due	L18, L18	L18	L19, L19	L19	h10 out	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	h9 due	L20, L20	L20	L21, L21	L21	h11 out	
12	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	h10 due	L22, L22	L22	Thanksgiving		h12 out	

December 2017

13	26	27	28	29	30	1	2
	h11 due	L23, L23	L23	L24, L24	L24	h13 out	
14	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	h12 due	L25, L25	L25	L26, L26	L26	h14 out*	
15	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	h13 due	L27, L27	L27				
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	EXAM WEEK						

Instructors (teach lectures according to color code, by default)

Popović

Horenstein

Lee

Special notes:

Mark will teach L2

Miloš will teach L3

Homework:

Homeworks will be on material up to the end of that week's...

...Wednesday lecture, for weeks 1-5

...Thursday lecture, for weeks

h11 is only on lecture L20 (short homework bc of Thanksgiving break)

h12 is on L21 and L22 (also not huge bc of Thanksgiving weekend lost)

h14 is on L25-L27, but is not due or graded, solutions provided Friday Dec 15

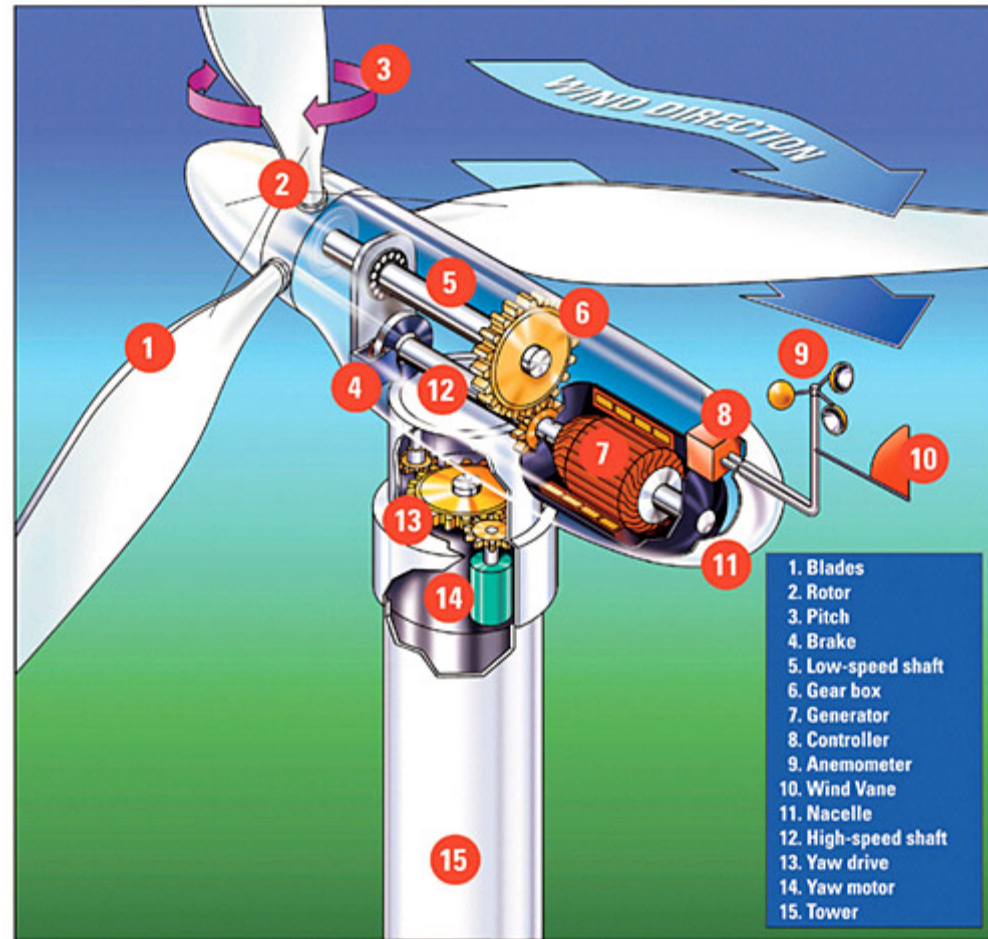
Syllabus

- Updated syllabus provided as separate file.

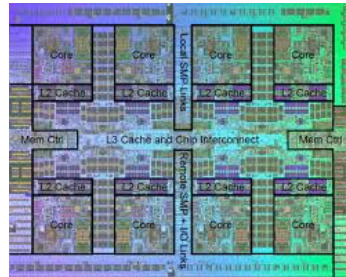
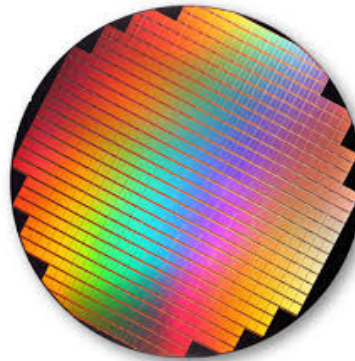
Why learn circuits?

- Energy generation, conversion, storage
- Computing
- Communication
- Control systems
- Transportation – electric cars, planes, etc
- Sensors (medical, environmental, home, etc..)

Energy



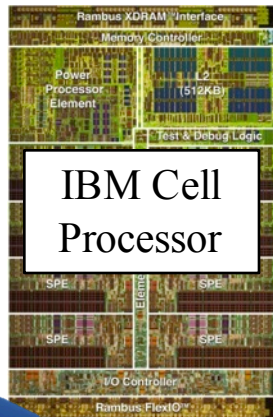
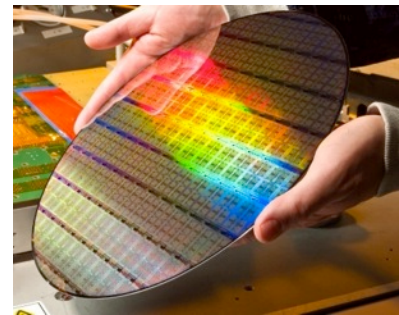
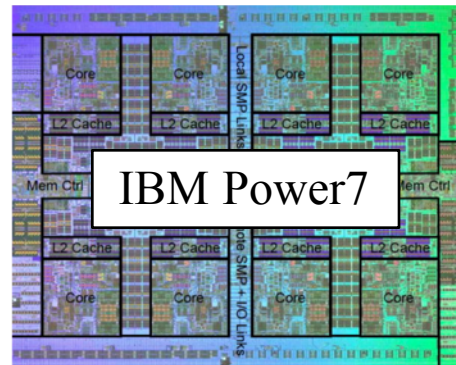
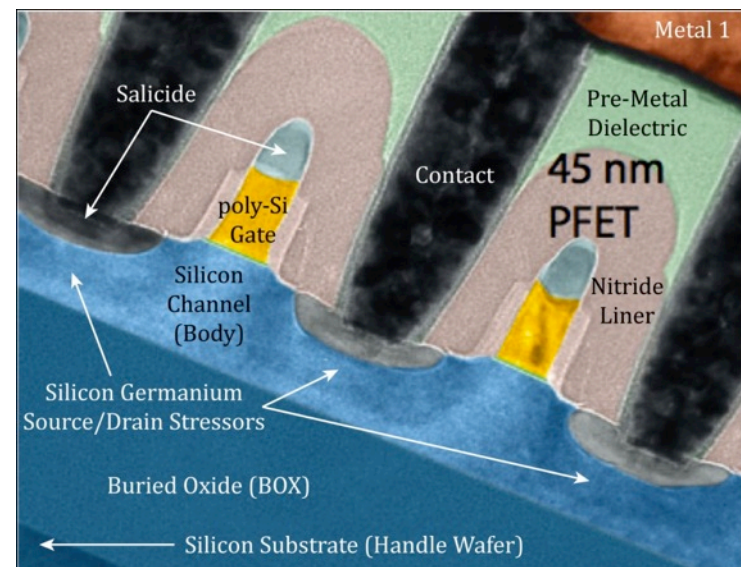
Silicon CMOS microelectronics



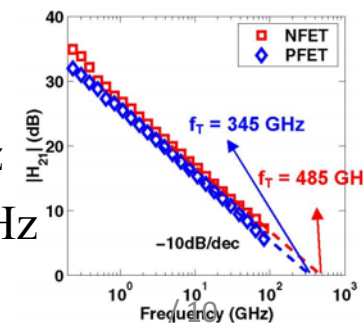
\$300B industry

22nm -> 14nm -> 7nm FinFET node

IBM 45nm CMOS microelectronics process



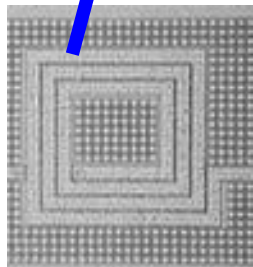
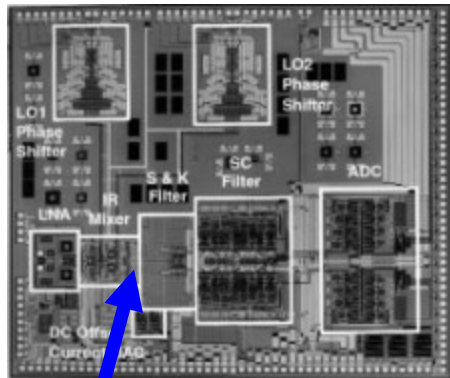
- IBM 12SOI (45nm SOI) CMOS process
 - 300mm wafer, commercial process
 - Trusted Foundry (TAPO) MPW access
- Advanced; used in microprocessors
 - N-FET transistor $f_T = 485$ GHz
 - Standard process is 250-350GHz



Integrated Circuits

1997

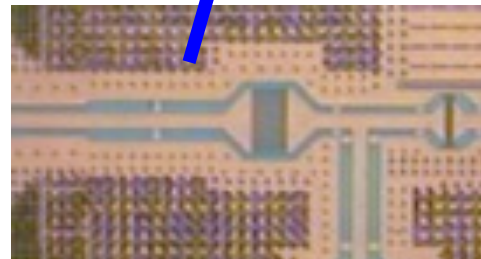
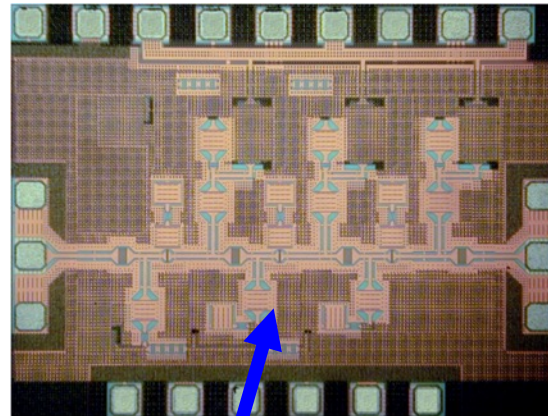
One of the first CMOS radios
Rudell & Gray



Inductors in IC process
Nguyen & Meyer
1990

2004

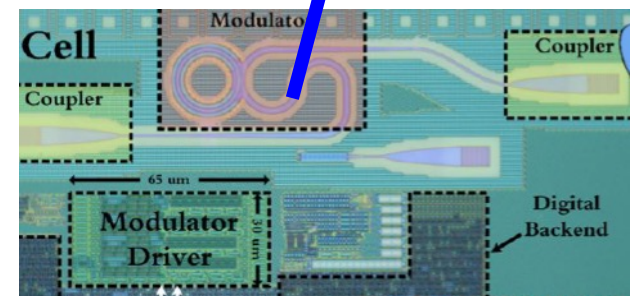
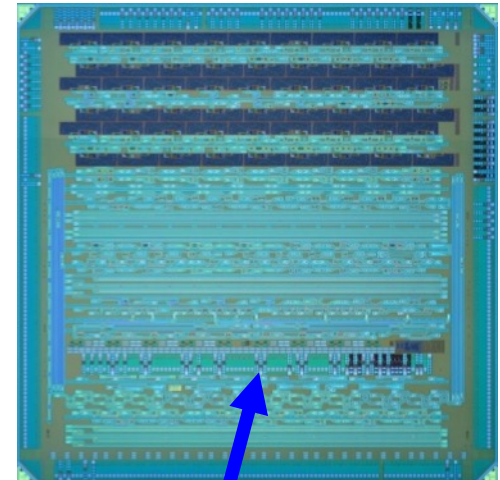
First 60GHz CMOS amplifier
Niknejad & Brodersen



Transmission lines

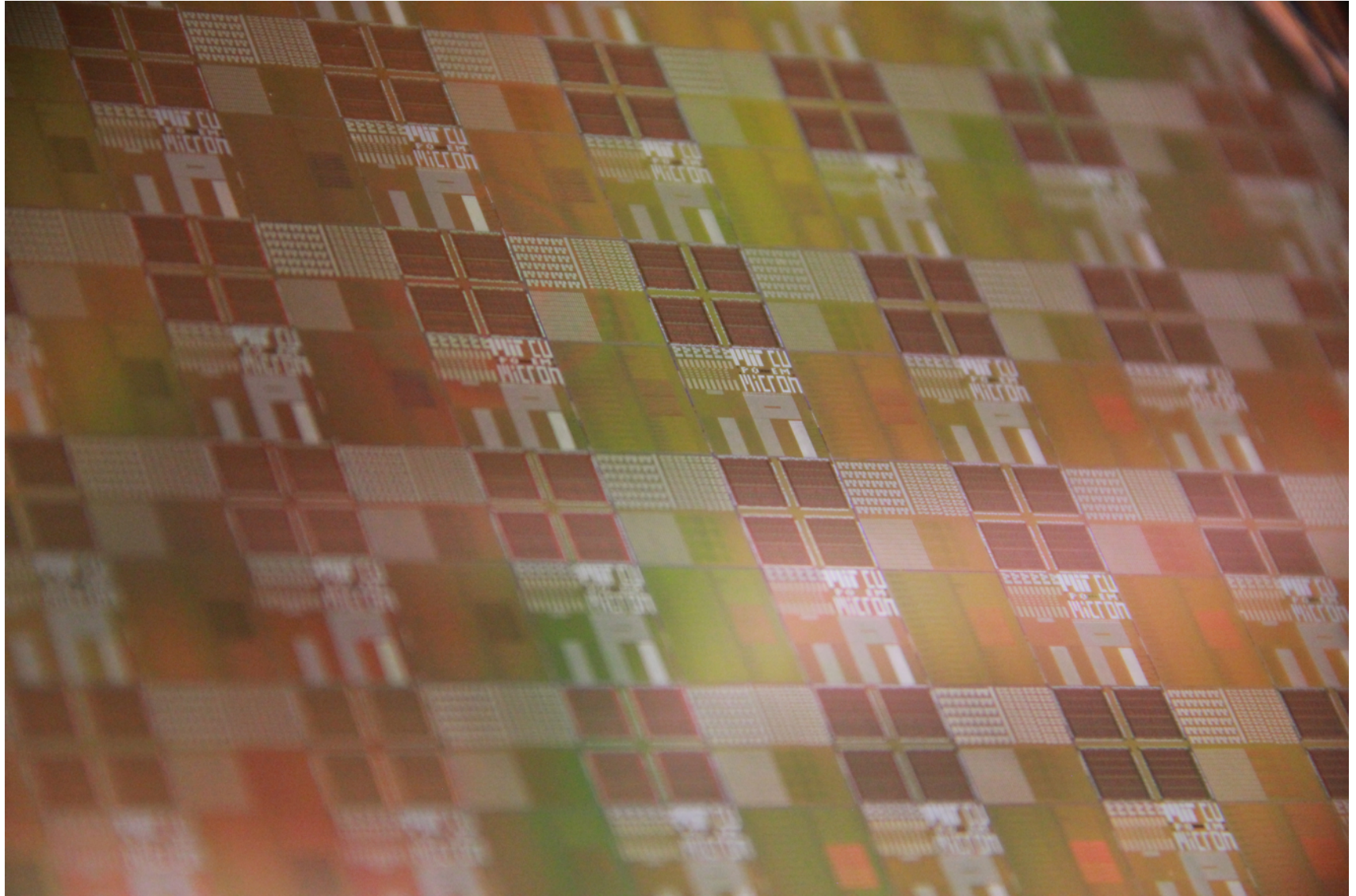
2012

First Si photonic transmitter in
45nm SOI CMOS
Stojanovic, Popovic, Ram



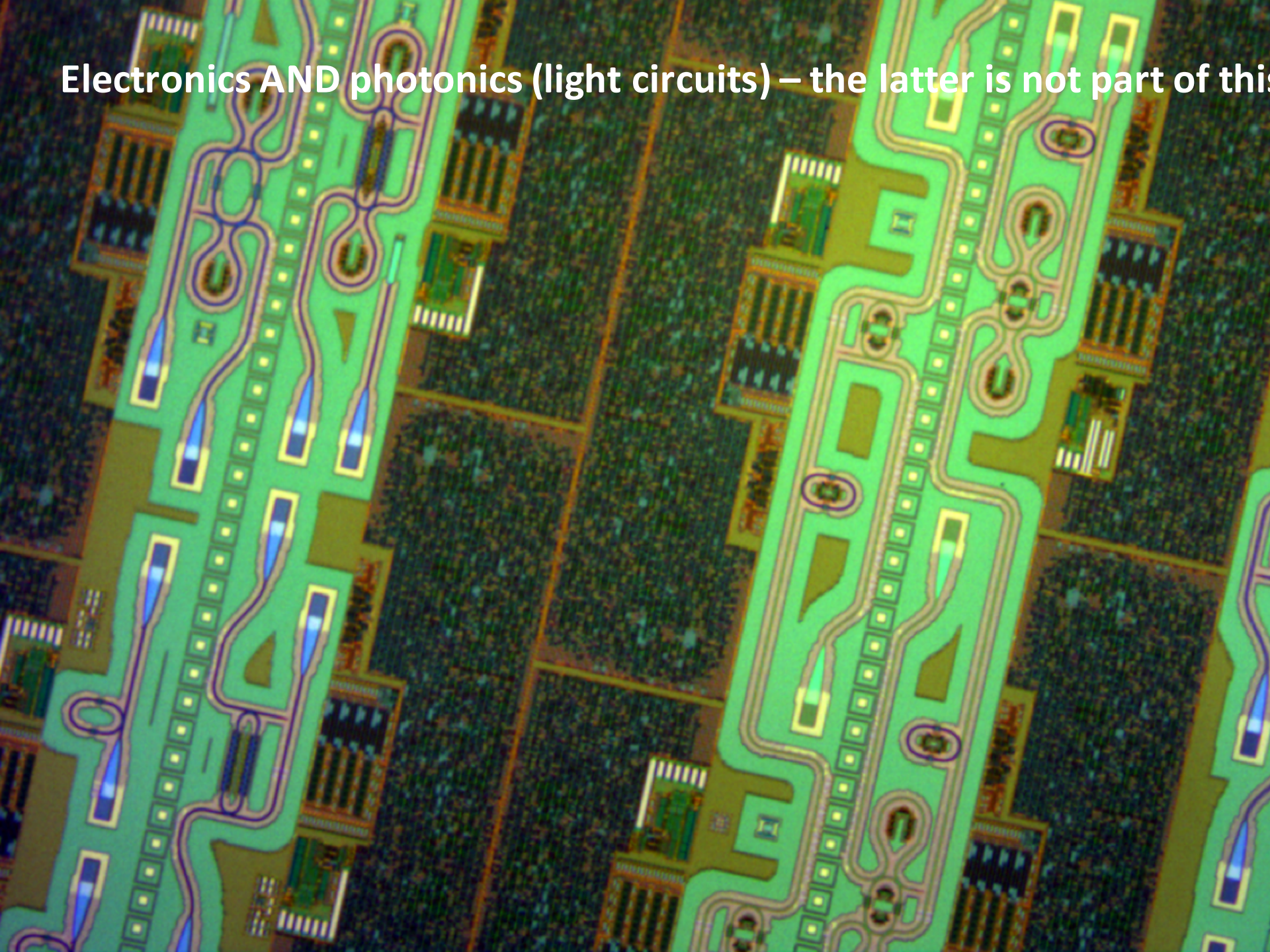
Silicon photonics / 11

Silicon wafer with many chips in a NOR Flash process

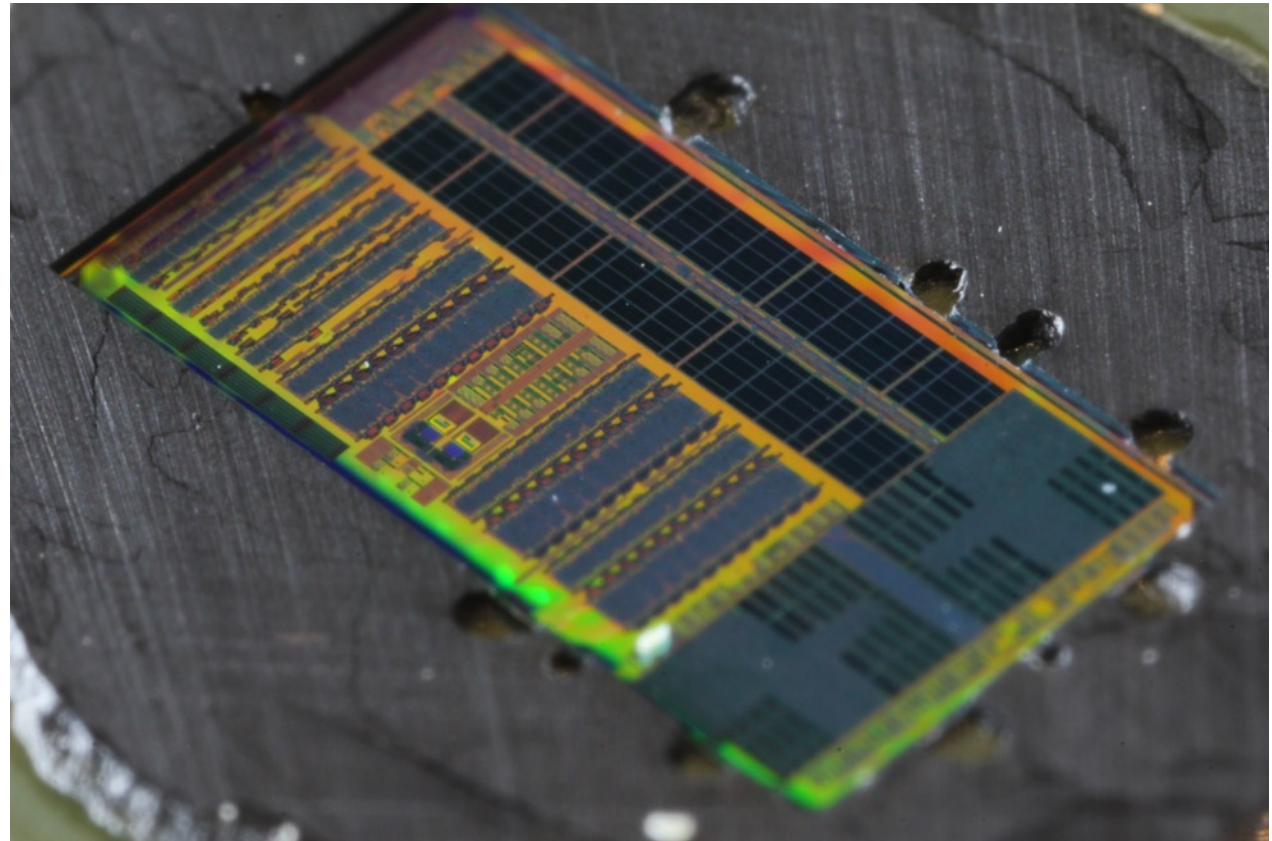
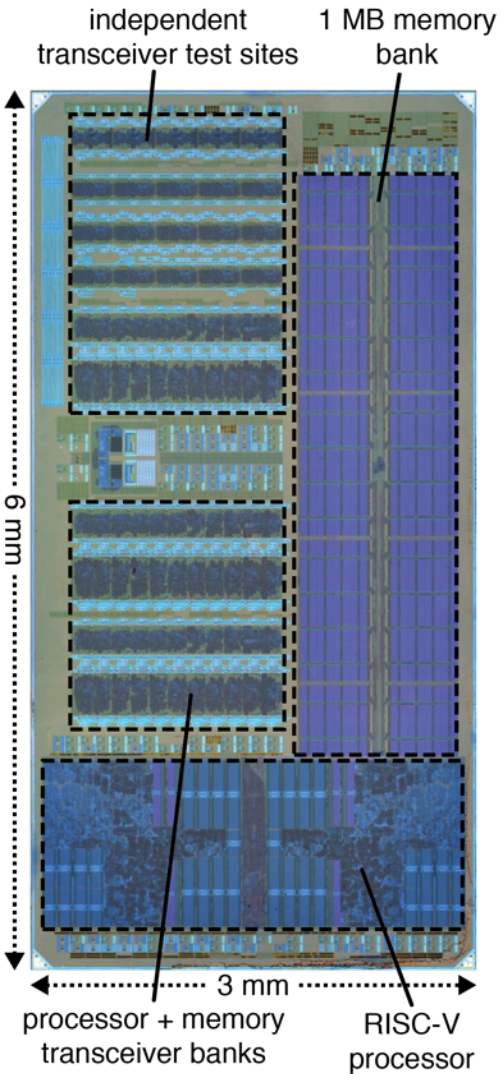


Shainline et al CLEO 2013
(Fabricated by Micron Technology)

Electronics AND photonics (light circuits) – the latter is not part of this



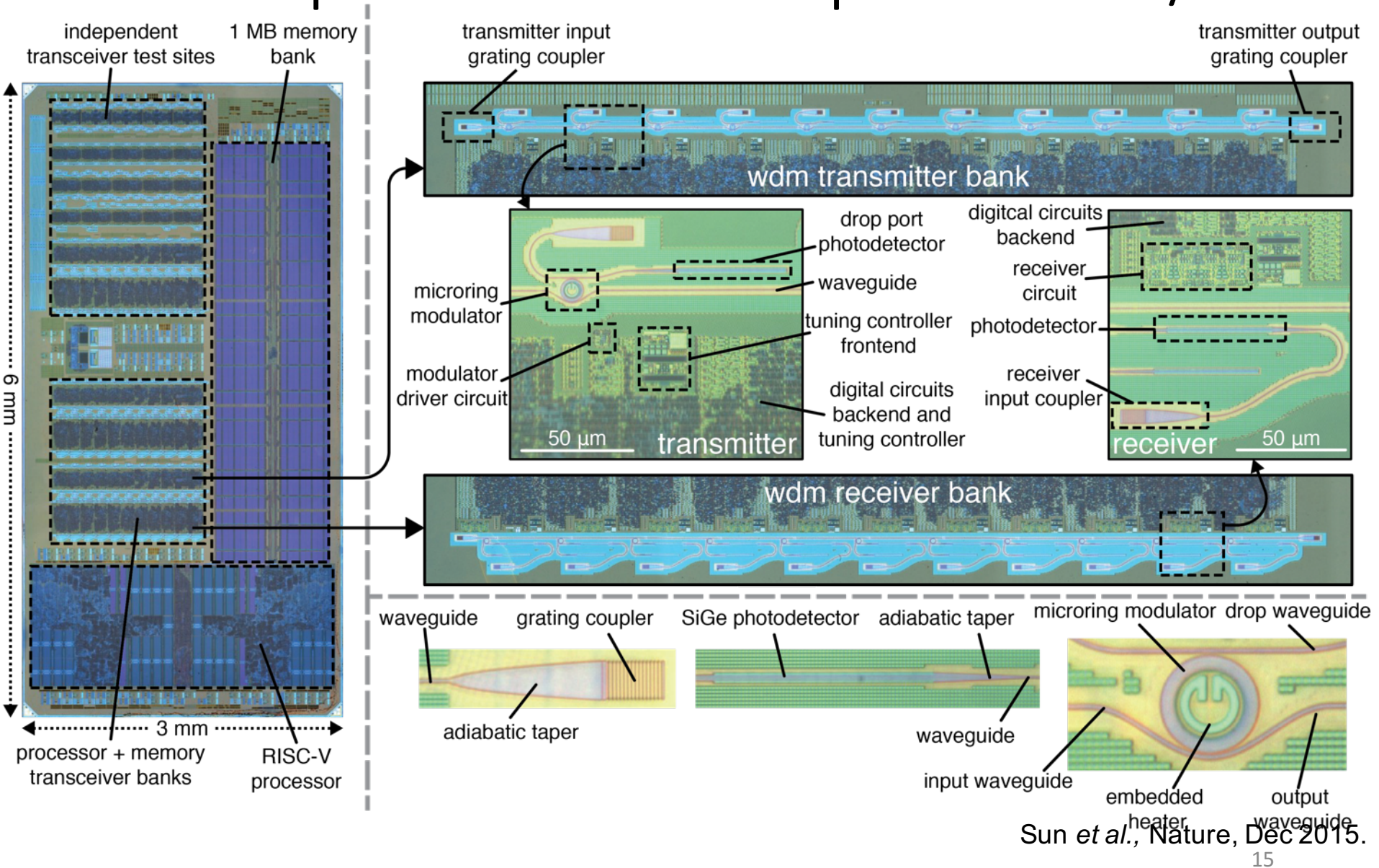
An Electronic-Photonic System-on-Chip: Microprocessor with photonic I/O



- RISC-V processor w/ 2 vector cores + integrated photonic I/O to memory
- 70M transistors, 1000 photonic devices
- 11-wavelength WDM photonic links at sub-pJ/bit energy

Sun *et al.*, Nature, Dec 2015.

Microprocessor with photonic I/O



What you should know at end of this lecture

1. What is charge, current, voltage?
2. What is electrical energy and power?
3. Basic circuit elements and sources
 - Independent and dependent
 - VCVS, CCVS, VCCS, CCCS
4. Ohm's law

Introduction

- The purpose of the course is to introduce analysis, design and evaluation of linear circuits.
- **Circuits** are important in electrical engineering because they process electrical **signals** that carry energy and information.
- **Circuit** - an interconnection of electrical devices.
- **Signal** - a time varying electrical entity

Linear circuits

- In this course we are primarily interested in **linear circuits**.
- An important feature of a linear circuit is that the amplitude of the output signal is proportional to the input signal amplitude:

$$S_{out} = a * S_{in}, \quad \text{where } a \text{ is constant.}$$

- The proportionality property of linear circuits simplifies the process of circuit analysis and design.
- Most circuits are linear only within a restricted range of signal levels.

Interface

- Definition: a pair of accessible terminals at which signals may be observed or specified.
- The interface idea is particularly important with integrated circuits (IC) technology.

Course objectives

- **Analysis** - finding the output signals of a given circuit with known input signals
- **Design** - devising one or more circuits that perform a given signal-processing function. There usually are several possible solutions to a design problem.
- **Evaluation** - involves picking the best solution from among several candidates using factors such as cost, power consumption, and part counts.

Circuit Variables: Charge

- Electrical charge – q , coulombs (C)
 - explains the very strong electrical forces that occur in nature.
 - Time varying, $q(t)$
 - Can be positive or negative – same times repels, different time attracts.
 - The smallest quantity of charge in nature is an electron's charge $q_E = -1.6^{-19}C$.
 - There are $1/|q_E| = 6.25 \times 10^{18}$ electrons in 1 coulombs of charge.

Circuit Variables: Current

- Current – i , ampere (A)
 - Current is a measure of the flow of electrical charge.
 - $i = dq/dt$
 - 1 coulomb/second = 1 ampere = 1A
 - The direction of current as the direction of the net flow of **positive** charge. Since electrons have negative charge, they move in the opposite direction of the current.

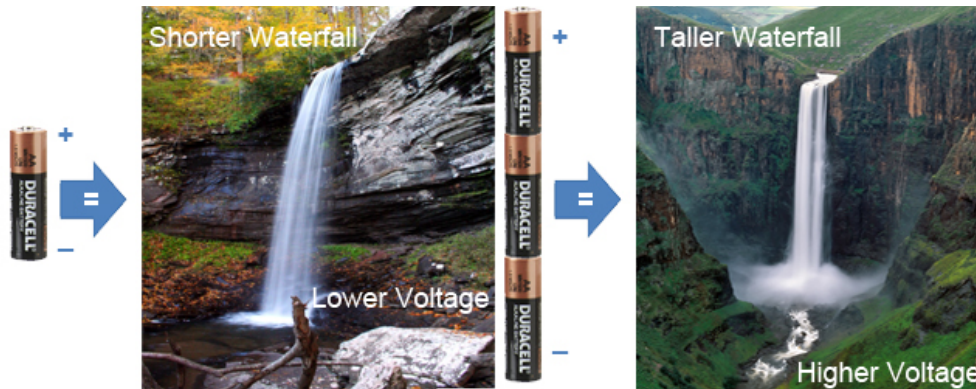
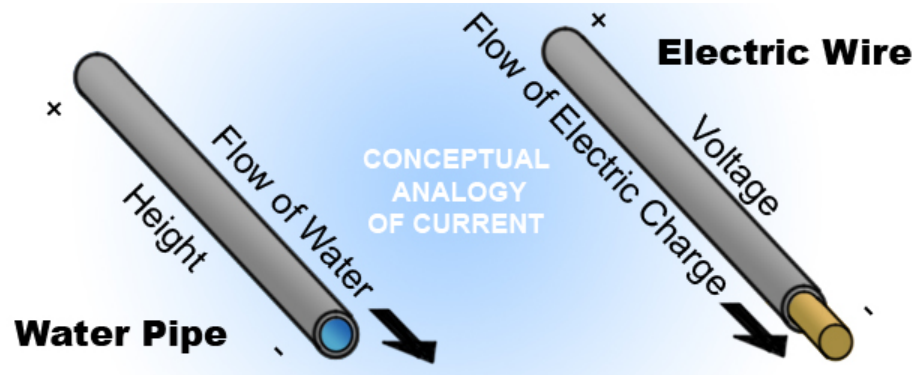
Circuit Variables: Voltage

- Voltage – v , volts (V)
 - related to the change in energy that would be experienced by a charge as it passes through a circuit.
 - $v = dw/dq$
 - 1 joule/coulomb = 1 volt = 1V
 - The symbol w is commonly used to represent energy. Energy carries the units of joules (abbreviated J).
- Voltage does not depend on the path followed by the charge dq in moving from point A to point B.
- There can be a voltage between two points even if there is no charge motion

Circuit Variables: Power

- Power: p , watts (W)
- Power is the time rate of change of energy
- $P = dw/dt$
- 1 joules per second = 1 watt
- $P = (dw/dq)(dq/dt) \rightarrow P = v \cdot i$
- The total energy transferred during the period from t_1 to t_2 is found by solving for dw and then integrating:
- $w_T = \int_{w_1}^{w_2} dw = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} p dt$

Voltage and current: Waterfall analogy



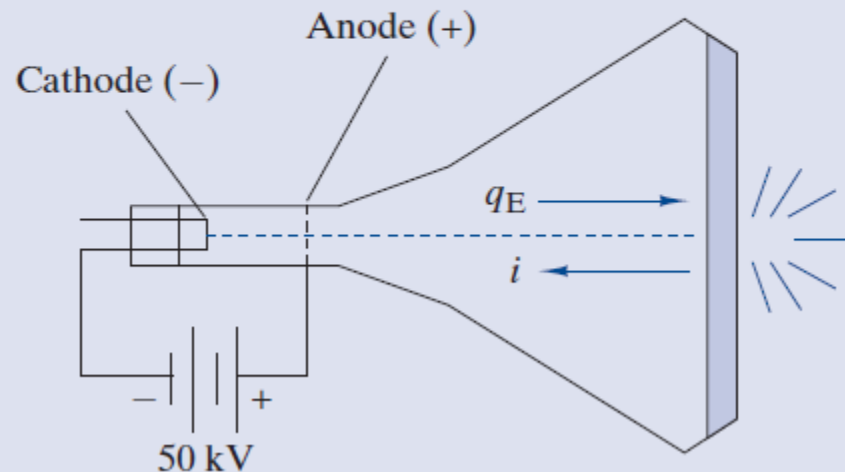
Measuring the circuits variables

- Current is measured at individual points
- Voltage always between two points
- Power at an element or a device

Example 1-1

EXAMPLE 1 – 1

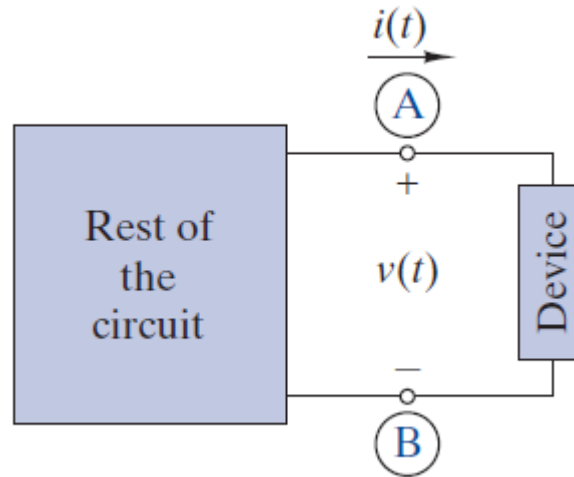
The electron beam in the cathode-ray tube shown in Figure 1–1 carries 10^{14} electrons per second and is accelerated by a voltage of 50 kV. Find the power in the electron beam.



$$i = |q_E| \frac{dn_e}{dt} = (1.6 \times 10^{-19})(10^{14}) = 1.6 \times 10^{-5} = 16 \mu A$$

$$p = vi = (50 \times 10^3)(1.6 \times 10^{-5}) = 0.8 W = 800 mW$$

The Passive Sign Convention



Ground

- Voltage is defined between two points
- Common voltage reference point – **Ground**

$$\begin{array}{ccc} v_A(t) & v_B(t) & v_C(t) \\ + \circ & + \circ & + \circ \\ A & B & C \end{array}$$

