

Ph.D Defense

Low power transistors and Quantum Physics based on Low Dimensional Materials

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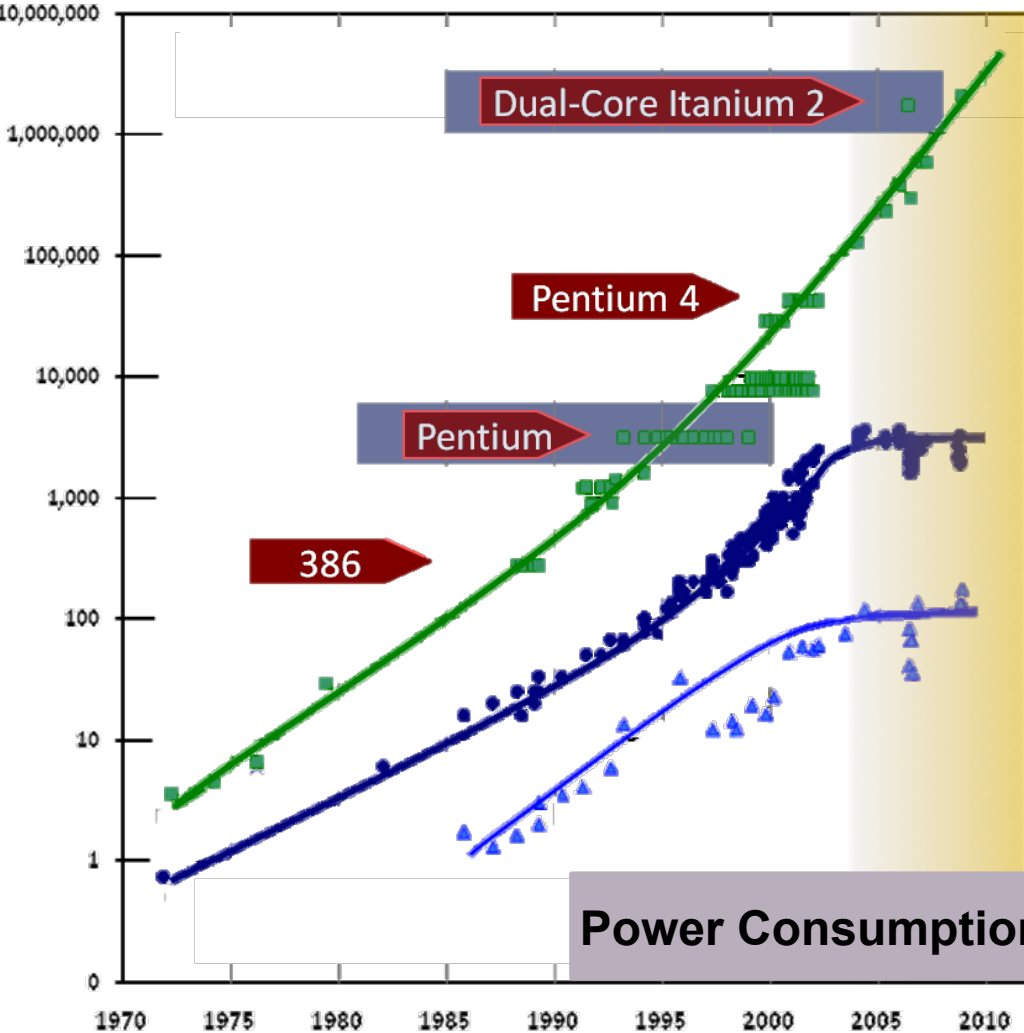
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More transistors, but not faster processors



Transistors
(x10³)

No. of Transistor ↑

Frequency Saturated

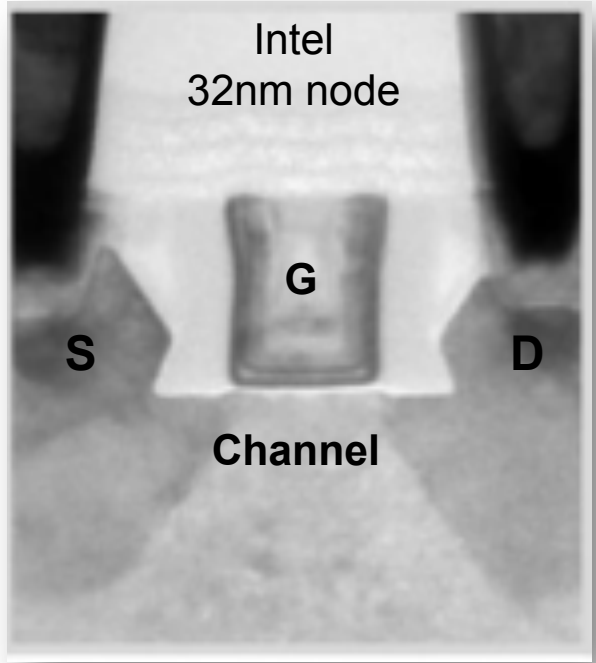
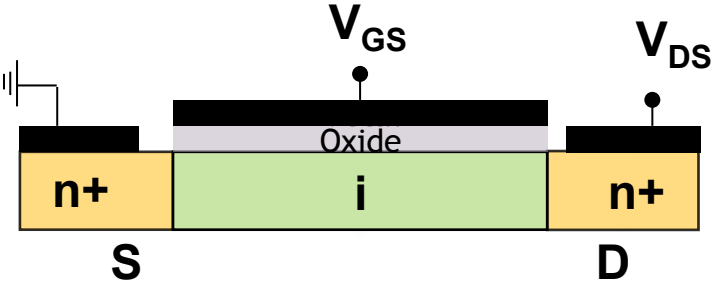
Clock Speed
(MHz)

Power Dissipation Limit
100W/cm²

Power (W)

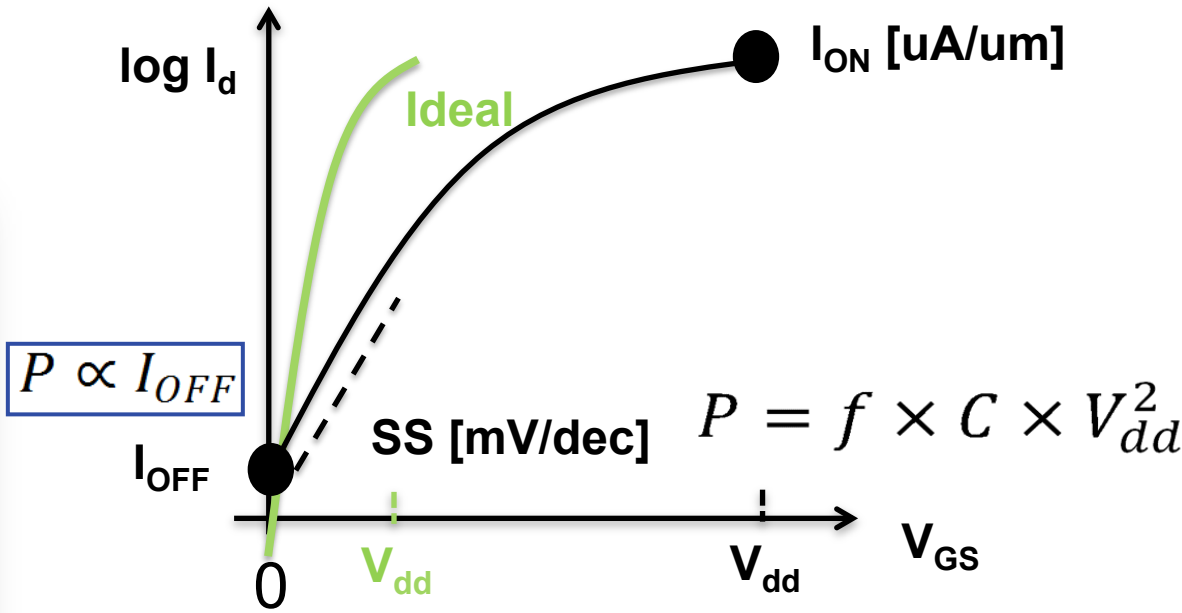
Power Consumption of transistors need to be reduced

Transistor 

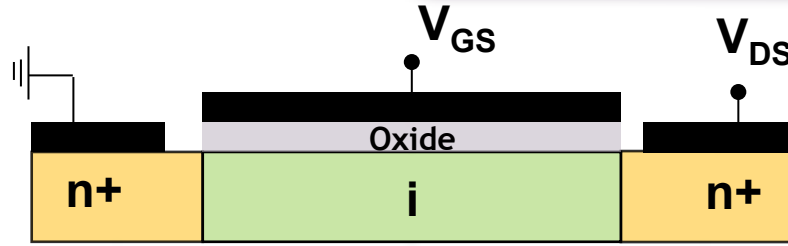


Victor Moroz Berkeley Seminar 2011

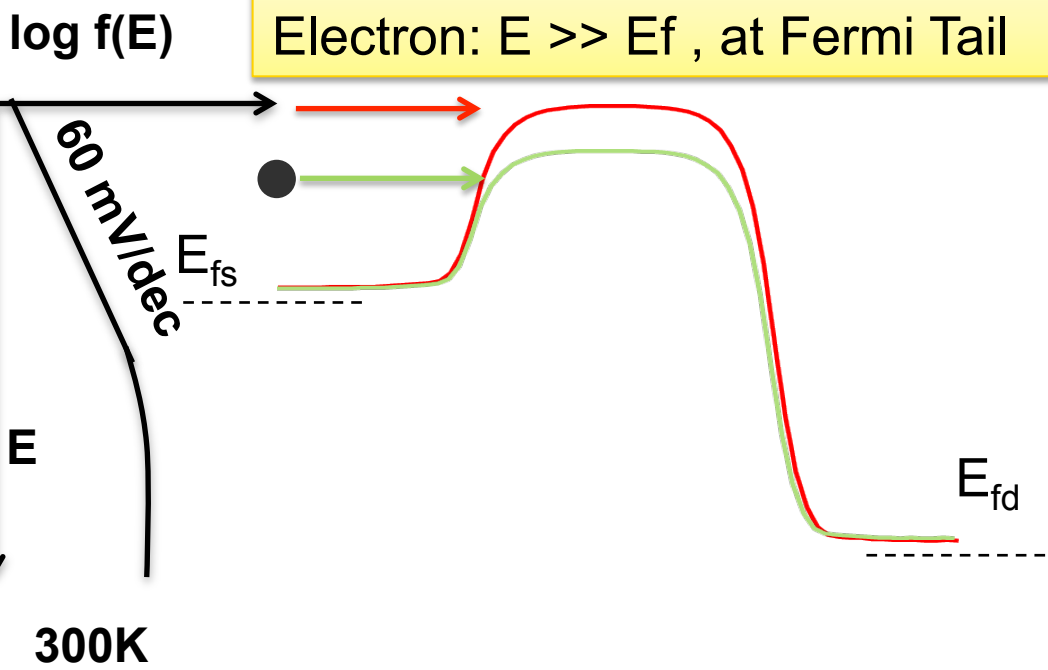
How to reduce the power consumption in a transistor?



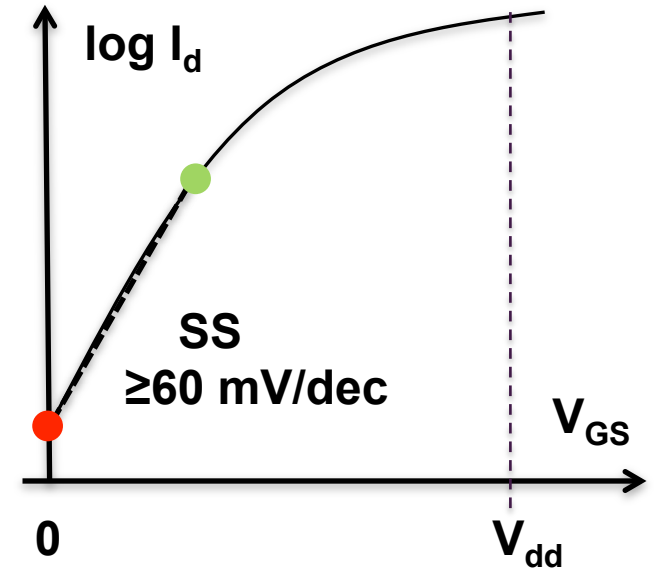
Power Consumption $\downarrow \rightarrow V_{dd} \downarrow$; it requires:
 (1) Keep Low I_{OFF} (2) Keep High I_{ON} (3) Small SS



Thermionic Emission:
Electron: $E \gg E_f$, at Fermi Tail

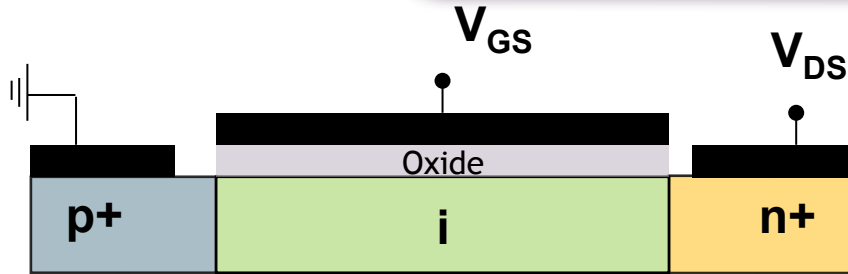


MOSFET



MOSFET: Thermionic emission \rightarrow SS $>$ 60 mV/dec

TFET

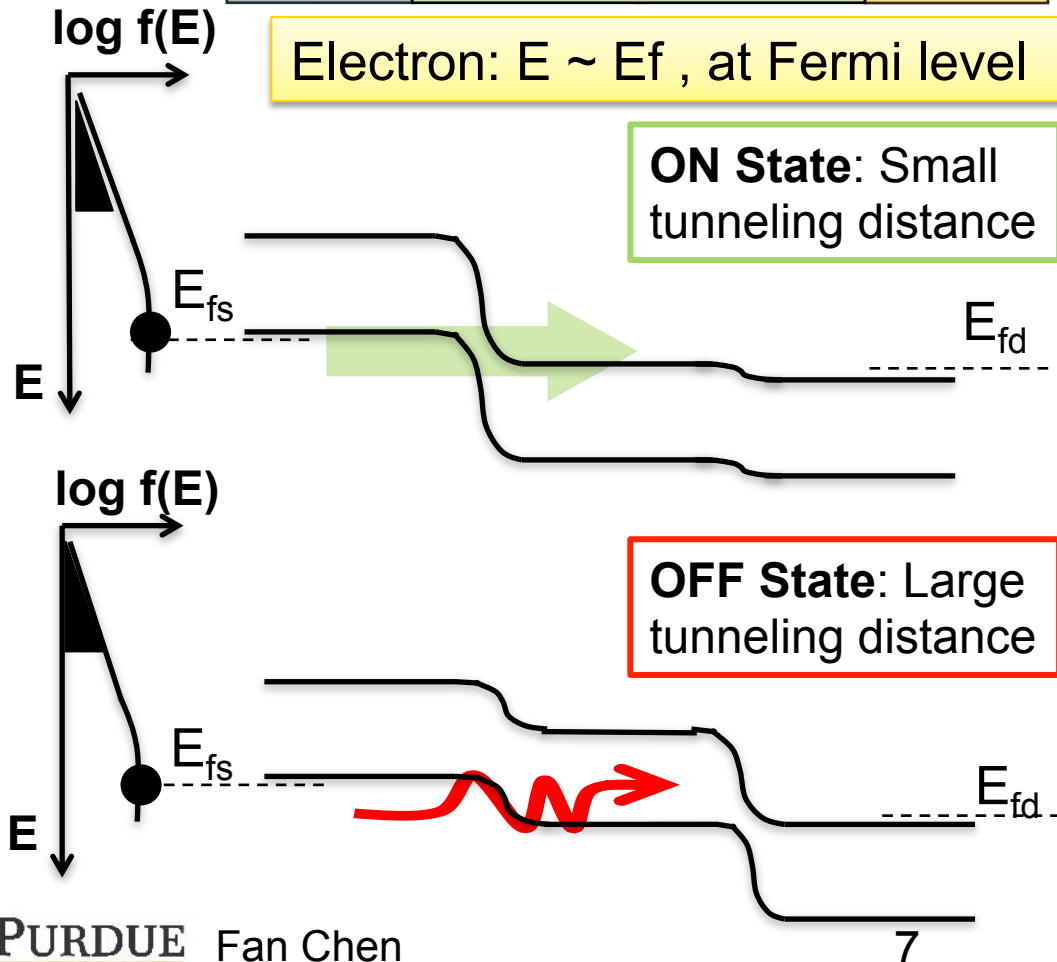
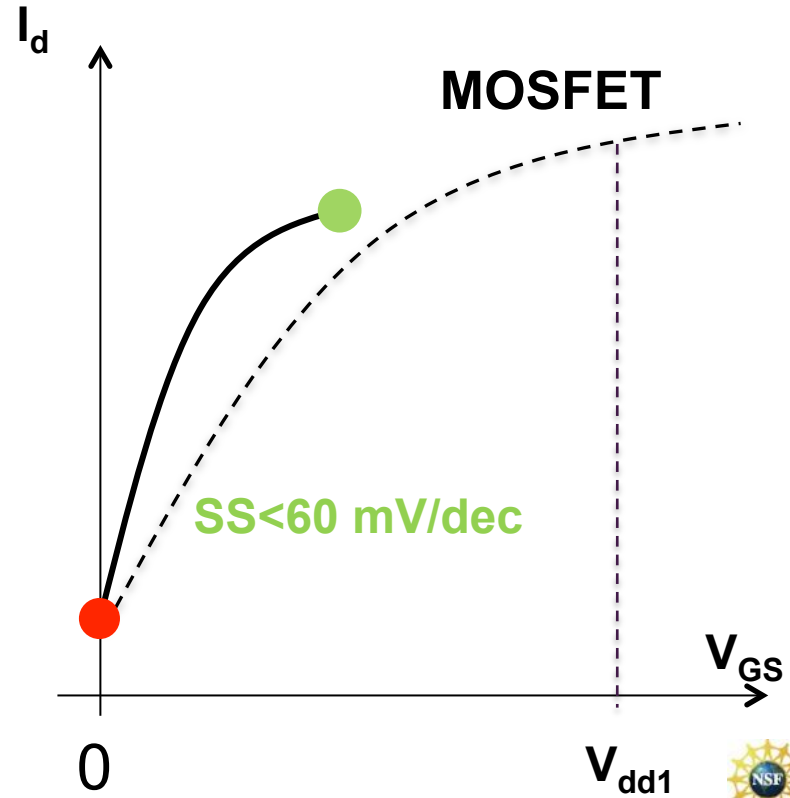


TFET \rightarrow SS $<$ 60 mV/dec \rightarrow V_{dd} \downarrow possible

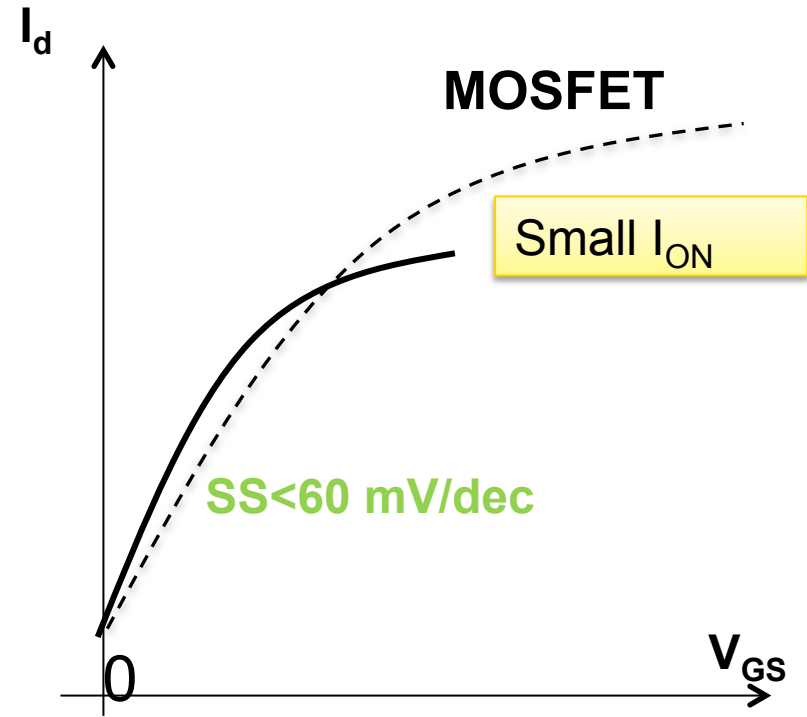
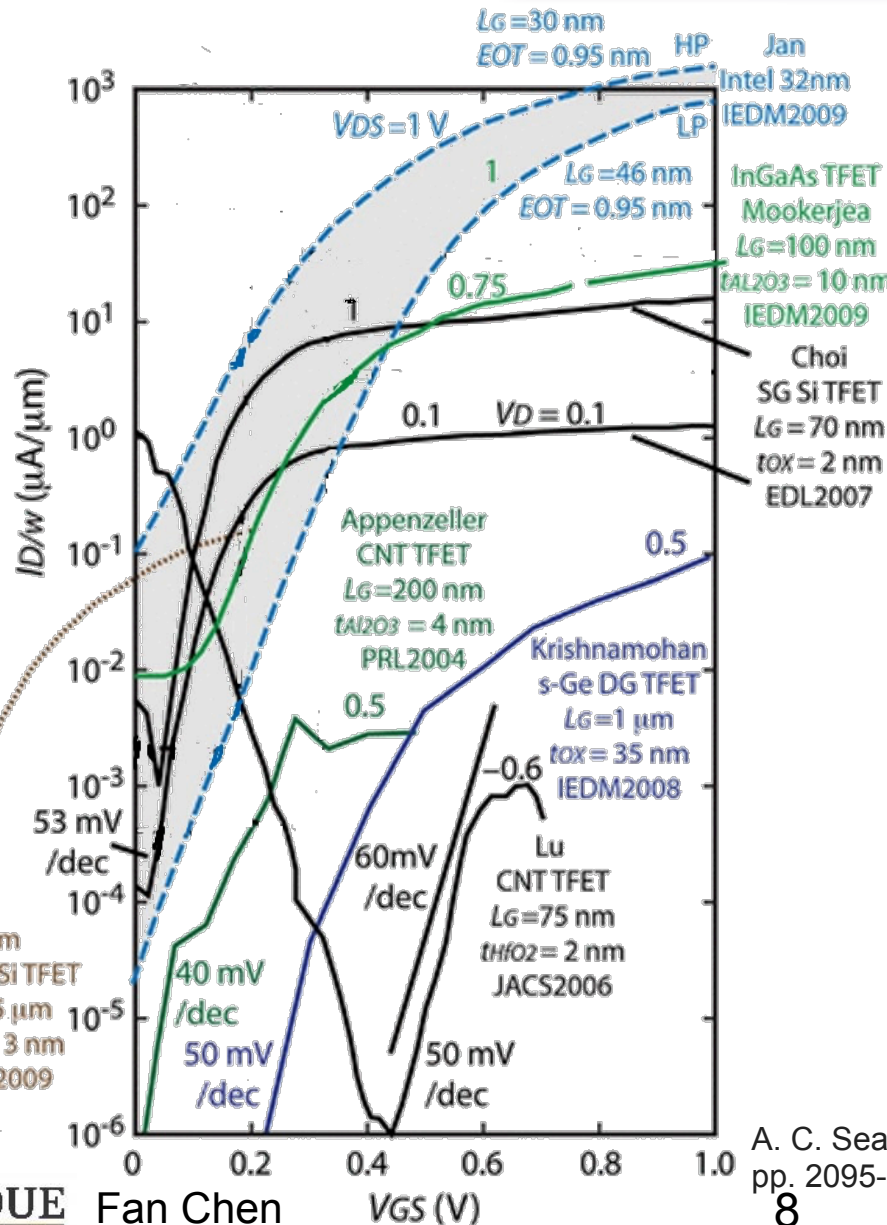
Electron: $E \sim E_f$, at Fermi level

ON State: Small tunneling distance

OFF State: Large tunneling distance

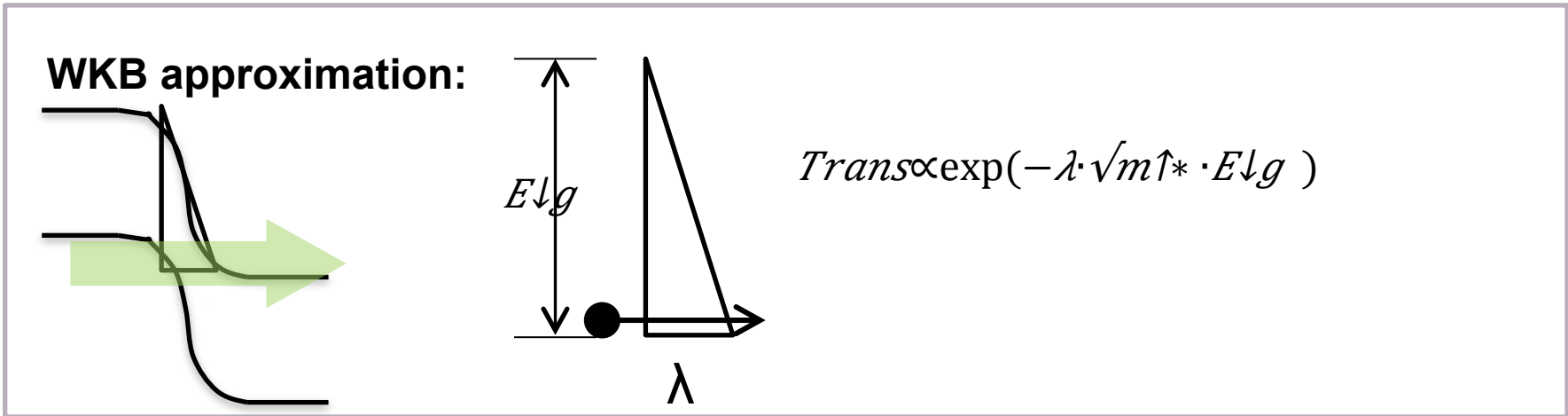


- MOSFET: $I_{ON} \sim 1000 \mu\text{A}/\mu\text{m}$
- TFET: $I_{ON} \sim 0.1\text{-}10 \mu\text{A}/\mu\text{m}$



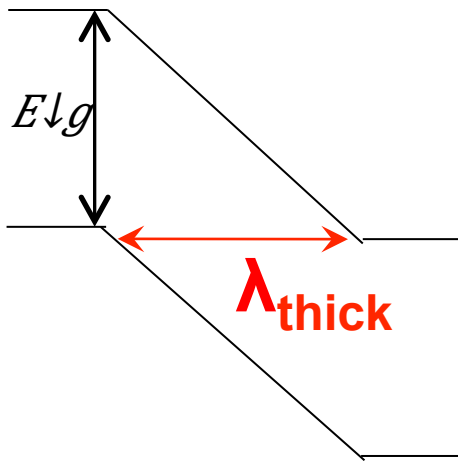
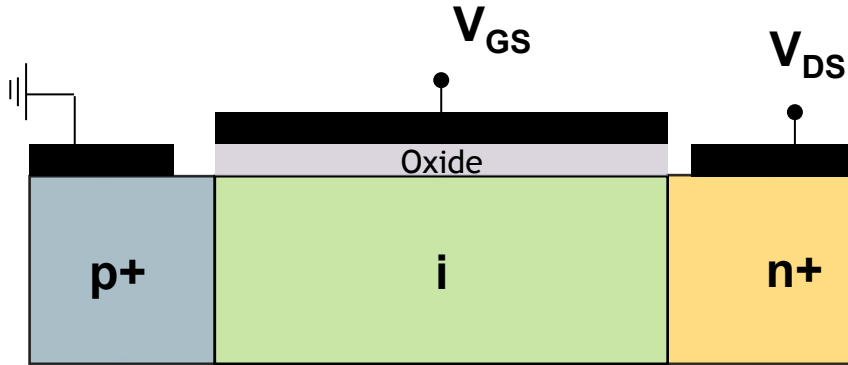
Challenge for TFETs: Small I_{ON}

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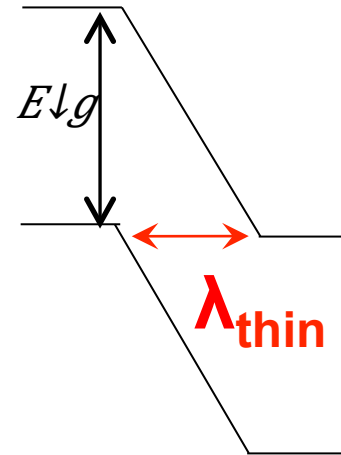
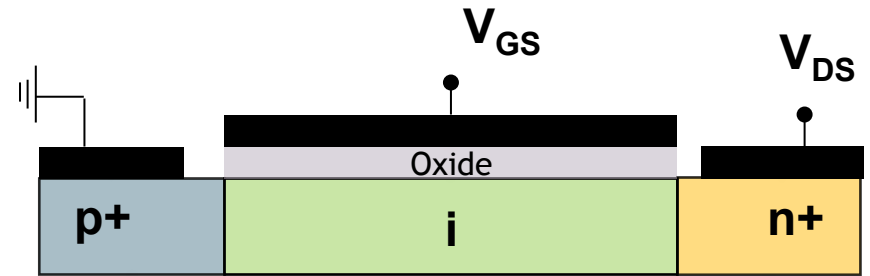


High ON needs Small E_g , small m^* , shorter tunnel distance λ

Thick channel



Thin channel



$$\lambda_{thick} > \lambda_{thin}$$

Thin Channel has smaller tunnel distance $\lambda \rightarrow$ High ON

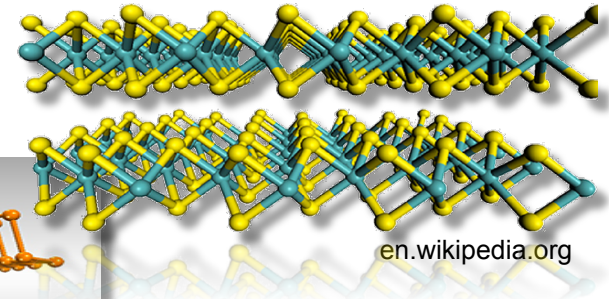
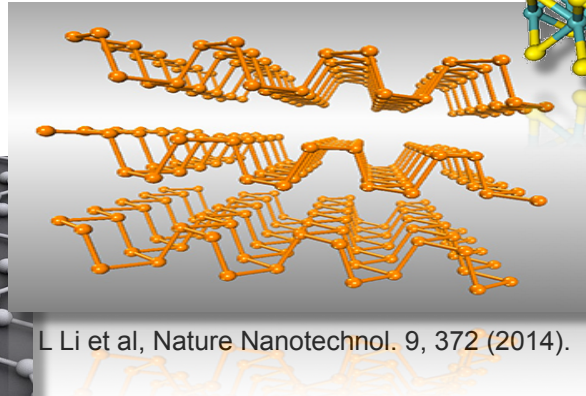
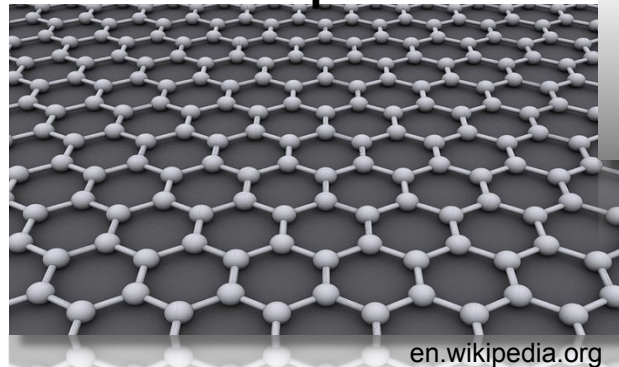
$I \propto ON \uparrow \rightarrow Trans \uparrow \rightarrow \lambda \downarrow \rightarrow t \downarrow ch \downarrow$

m
*

TMD

Black phosphorus

Graphene



E_g

2D Material reduces tunnel distance λ

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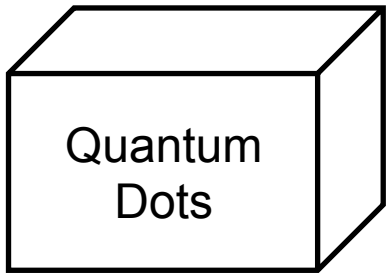
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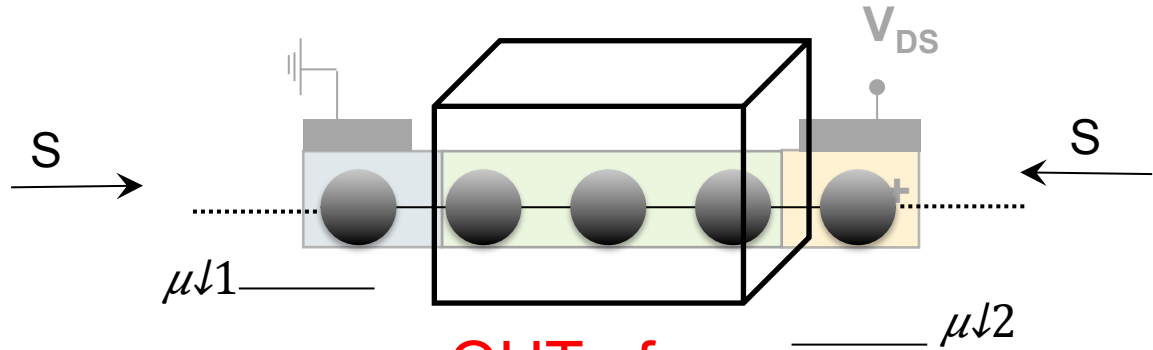
Closed Equilibrium

Open Boundary Non-Equilibrium

1. Injection S from contacts
2. Open Boundary
3. Channel is out of equilibrium



Well Defined Fermi Level $\mu \downarrow 0$



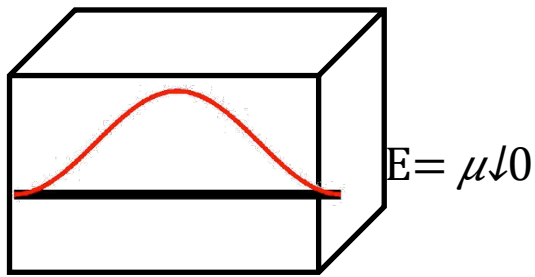
OUT of Equilibrium

Transport in device requires non-equilibrium, open boundary Method

Closed Equilibrium

$$E\psi = H\psi$$

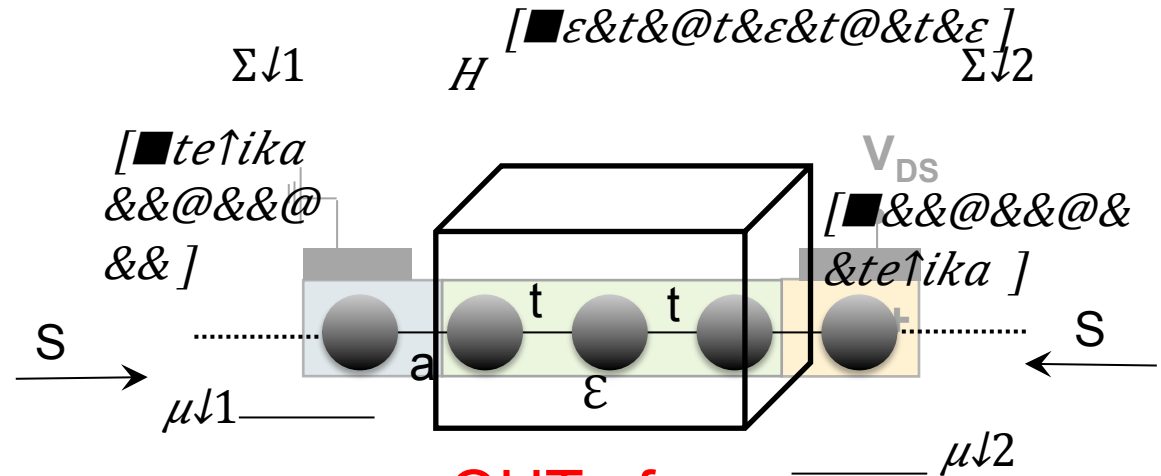
Schrodinger's Equation



Well Defined Fermi Level μ_0

Open Boundary Non-Equilibrium

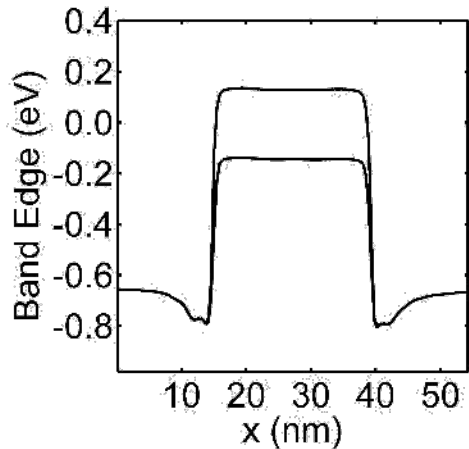
$$(E - H - \Sigma \downarrow 1 - \Sigma \downarrow 2) \psi = S$$



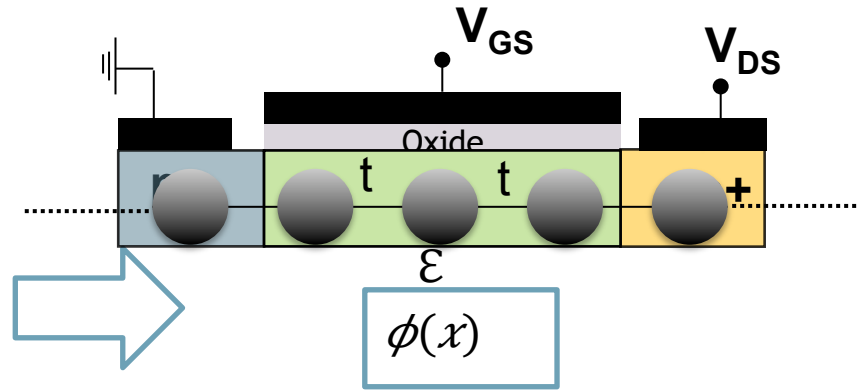
OUT of Equilibrium

Non-equilibrium, Open boundary Method Capture the required Physics

$$\nabla(\epsilon \nabla \phi(x)) = - (p(x) - n(x) + Nd - Na)$$



$$p(x) - n(x)$$



$$H = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} \epsilon - e\phi_1 & t & & \\ & \epsilon - e\phi_2 & t & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & \epsilon - e\phi_N \end{array} \right]$$

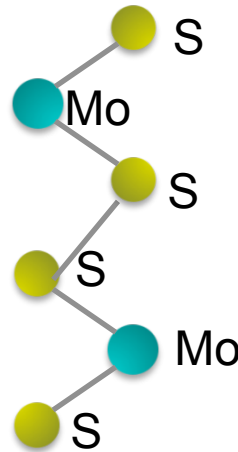
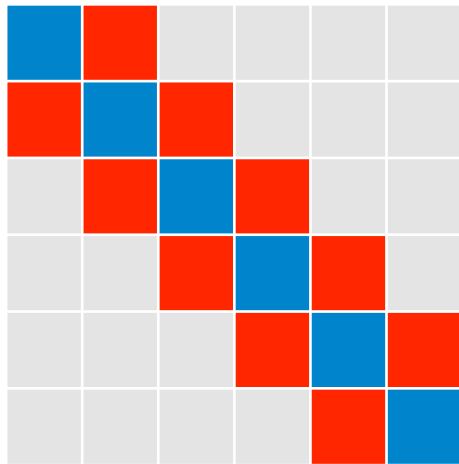
$$S = (EI - H - \Sigma \downarrow 1 - \Sigma \downarrow 2) \psi$$

$$(p(x) - n(x)) \sim \psi \cdot \psi^\dagger$$

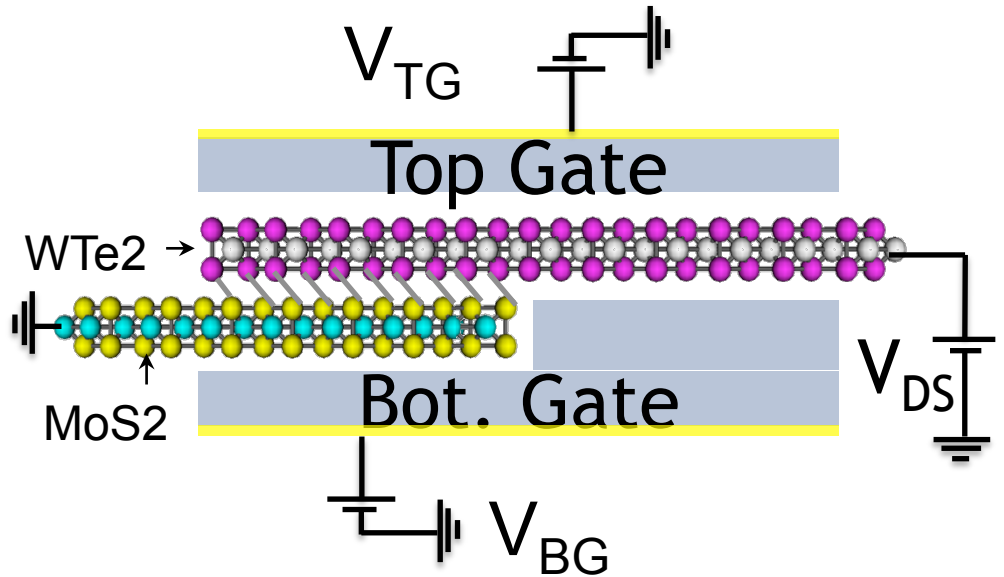
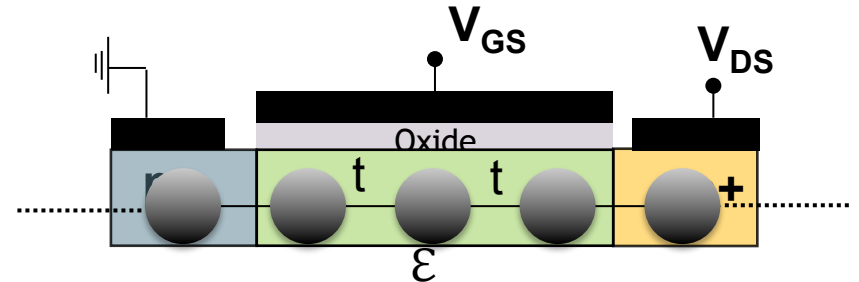
self-consistent calculation is performed for electrostatics

➤ Materials parameters

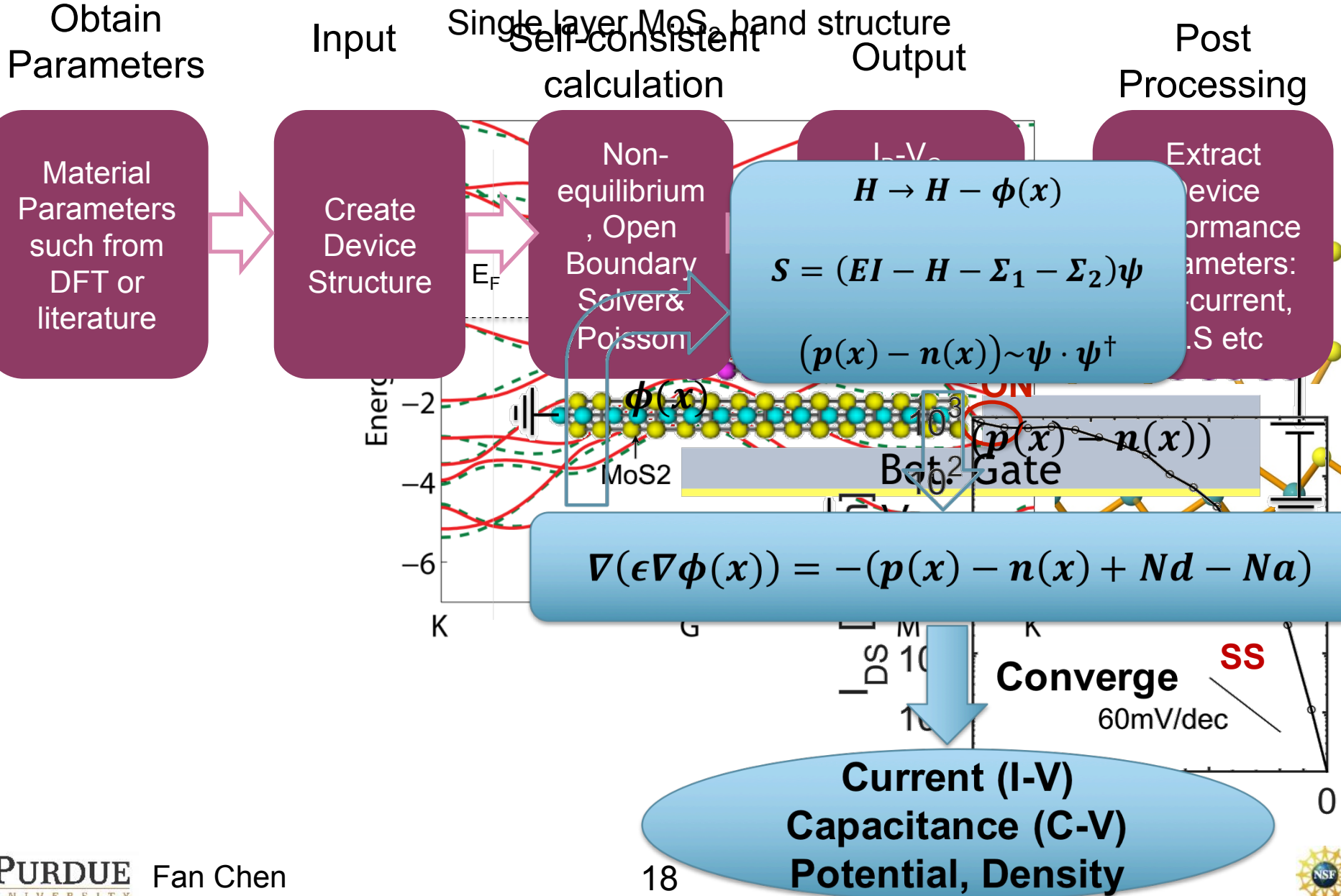
Onsite ■ Coupling ■



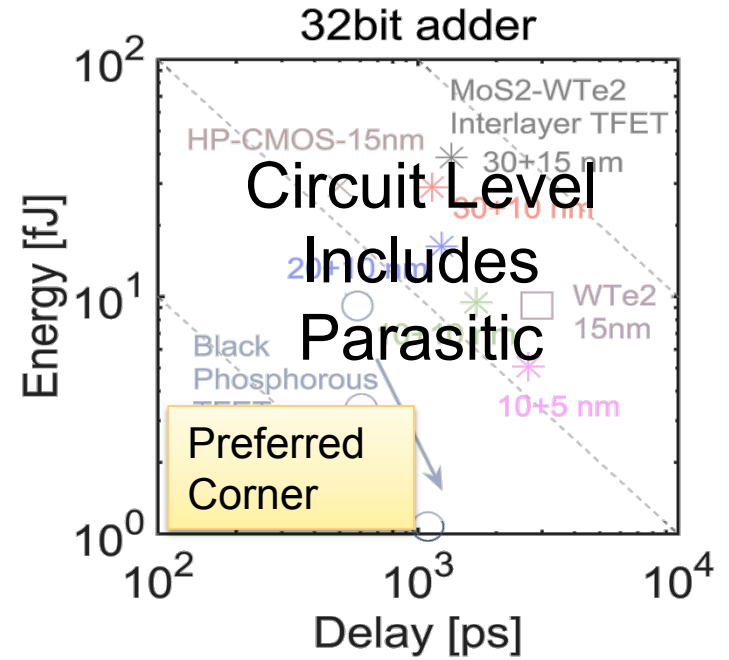
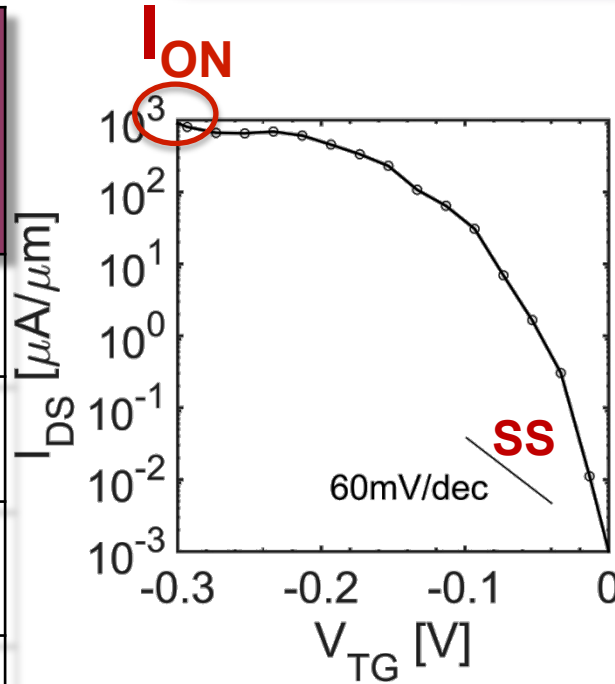
$N_{\text{atom}} N_{\text{orbitals}}$



The material parameters need to be obtained.



Device
VDD (V)
ION (uA/um)
SS (mV/dec)
Energy Delay Product
Scalability
Comments



Device Evaluation includes:
Vdd, ON, SS, Energy and Delay (circuit), Scalability and fabrication

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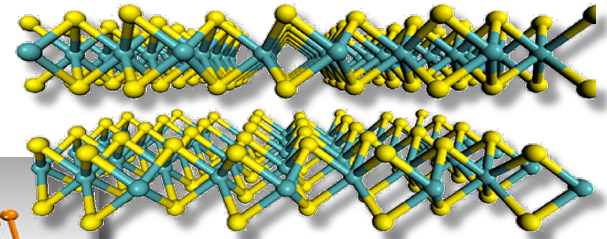
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$$Trans \propto \exp(-\lambda \cdot \sqrt{m^*} \cdot E_g)$$

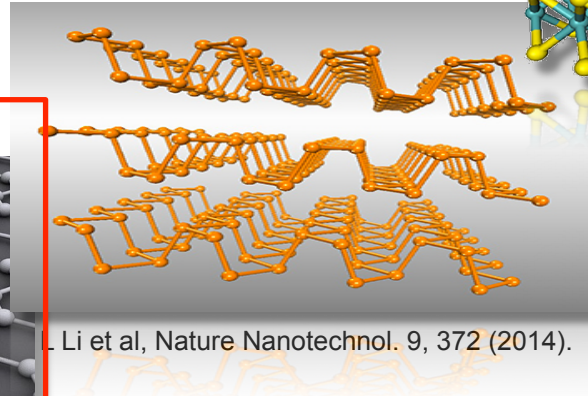
m^*



TMD

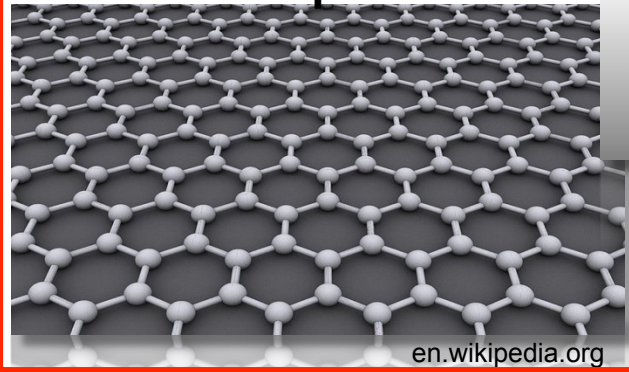


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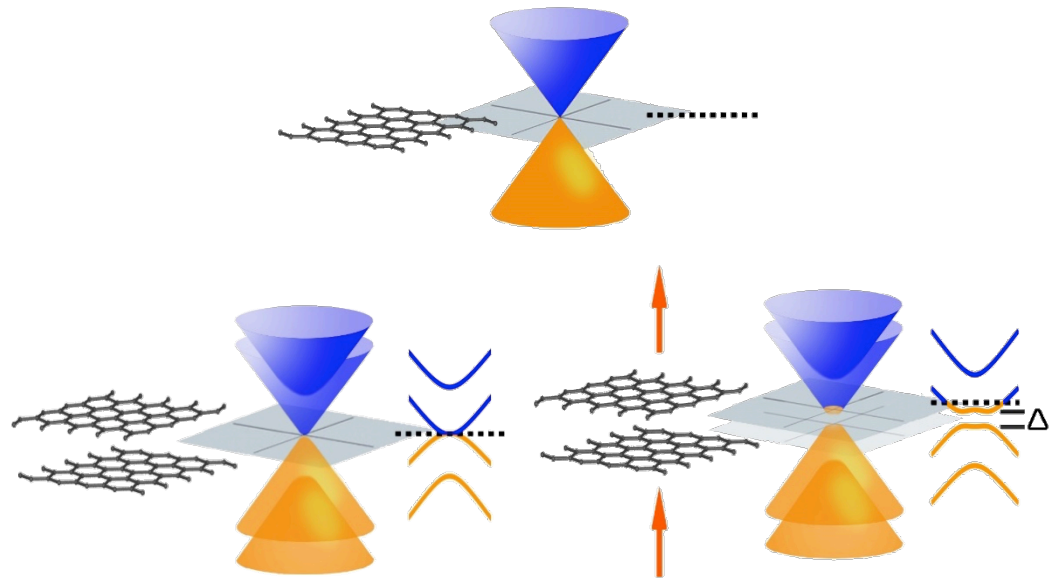
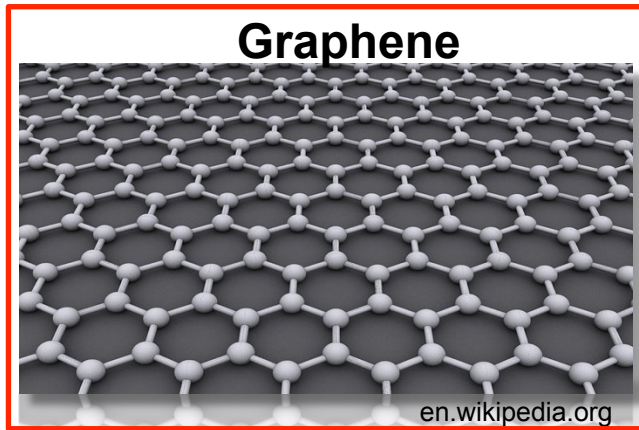


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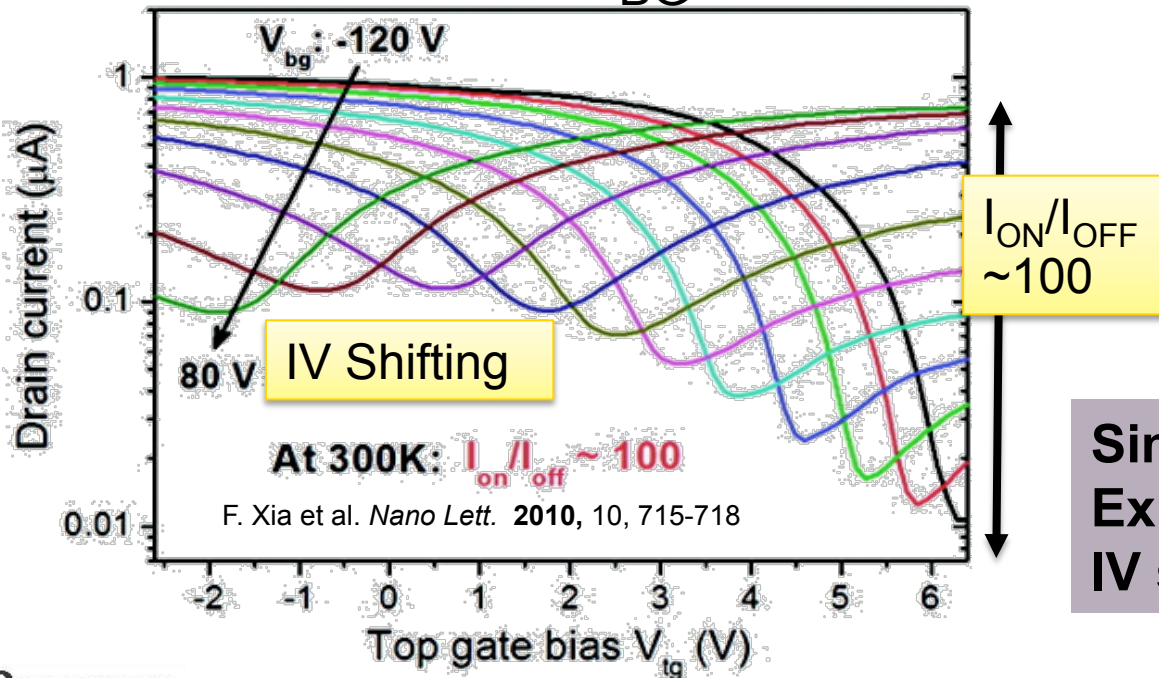
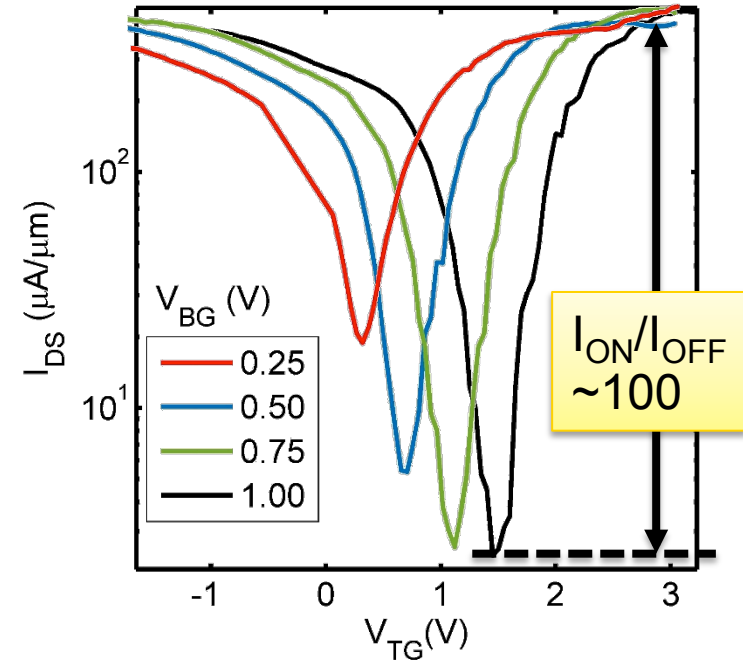
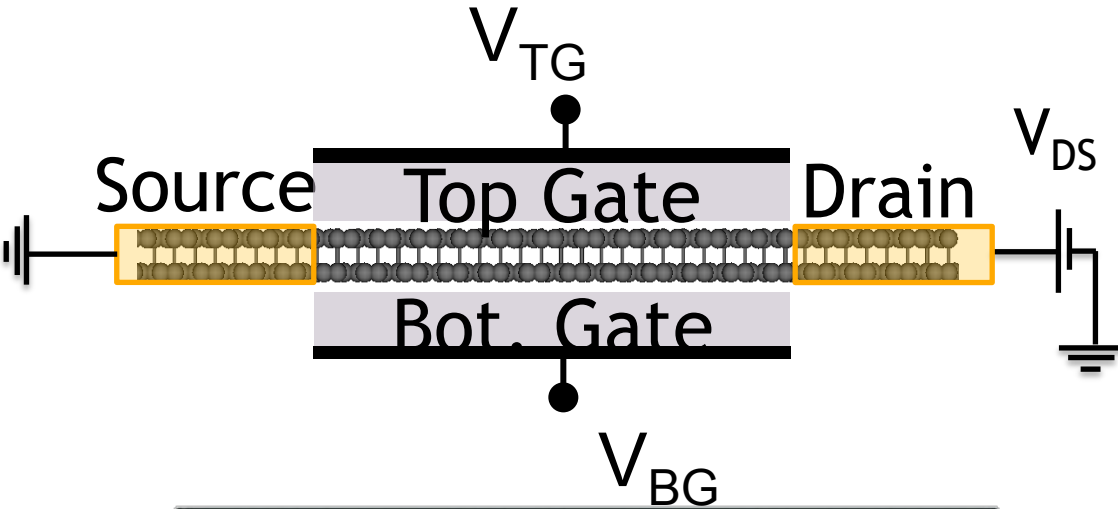
E_g

Graphene has the smallest combination m^* and E_g for homojunction TFET

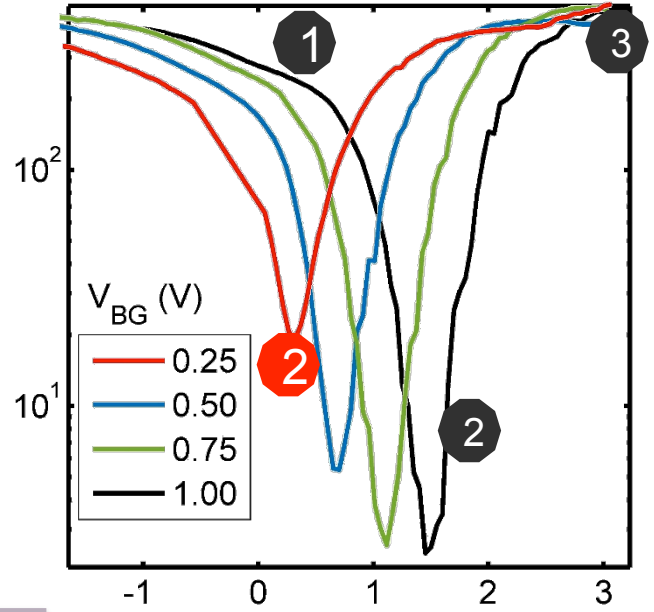
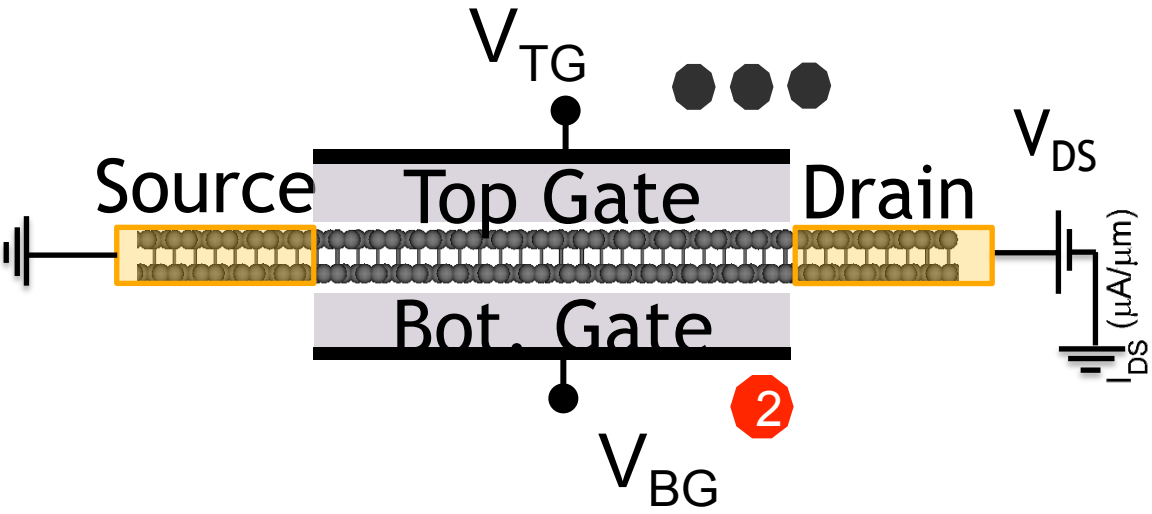


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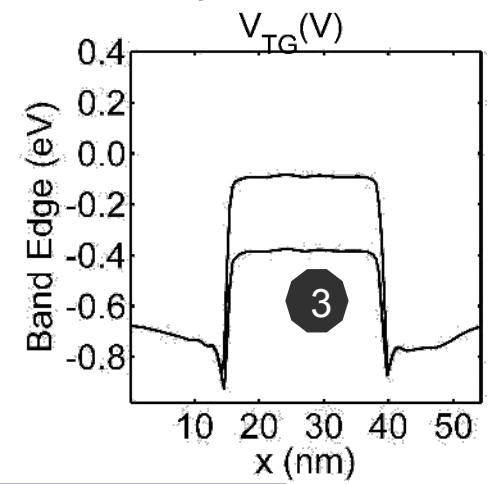
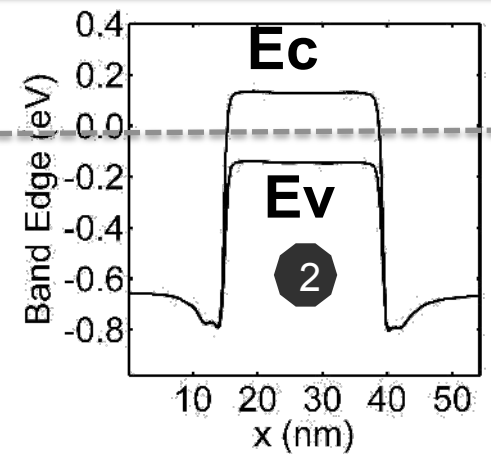
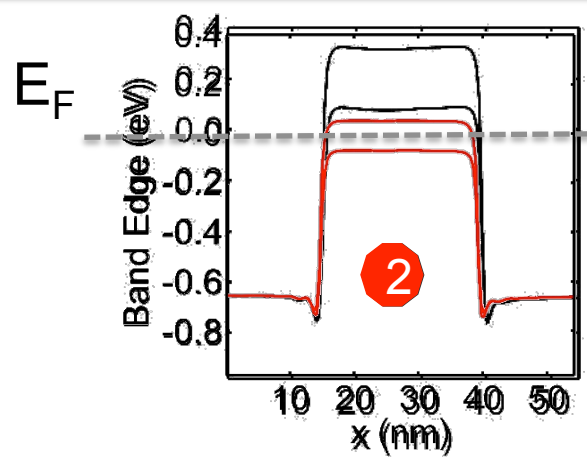
**Bilayer Graphene TFET:
Small Achievable Eg,
Small effective mass**



**Simulation Matches
Experiment:
IV shifting and I_{ON}/I_{OFF}**

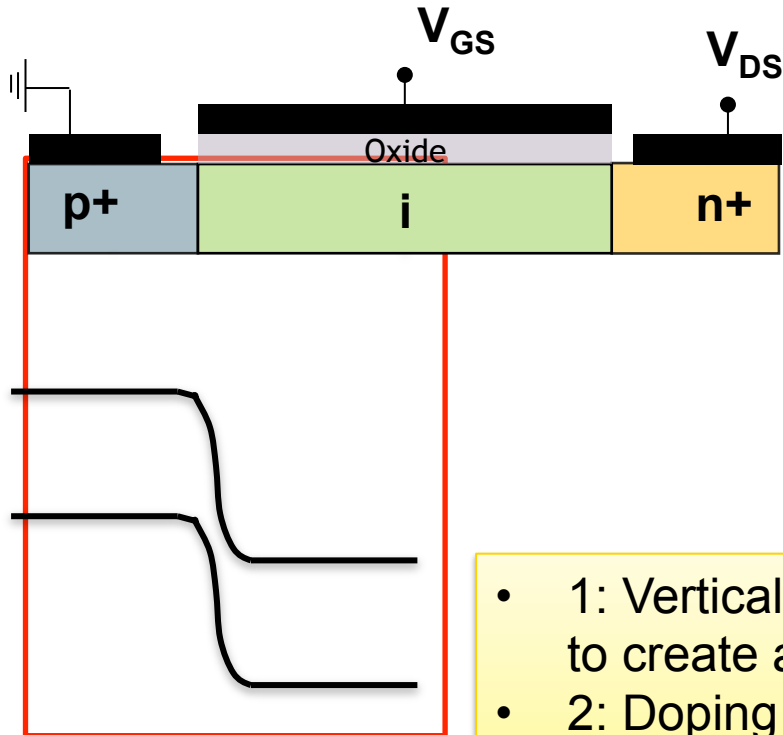


Band Diagram



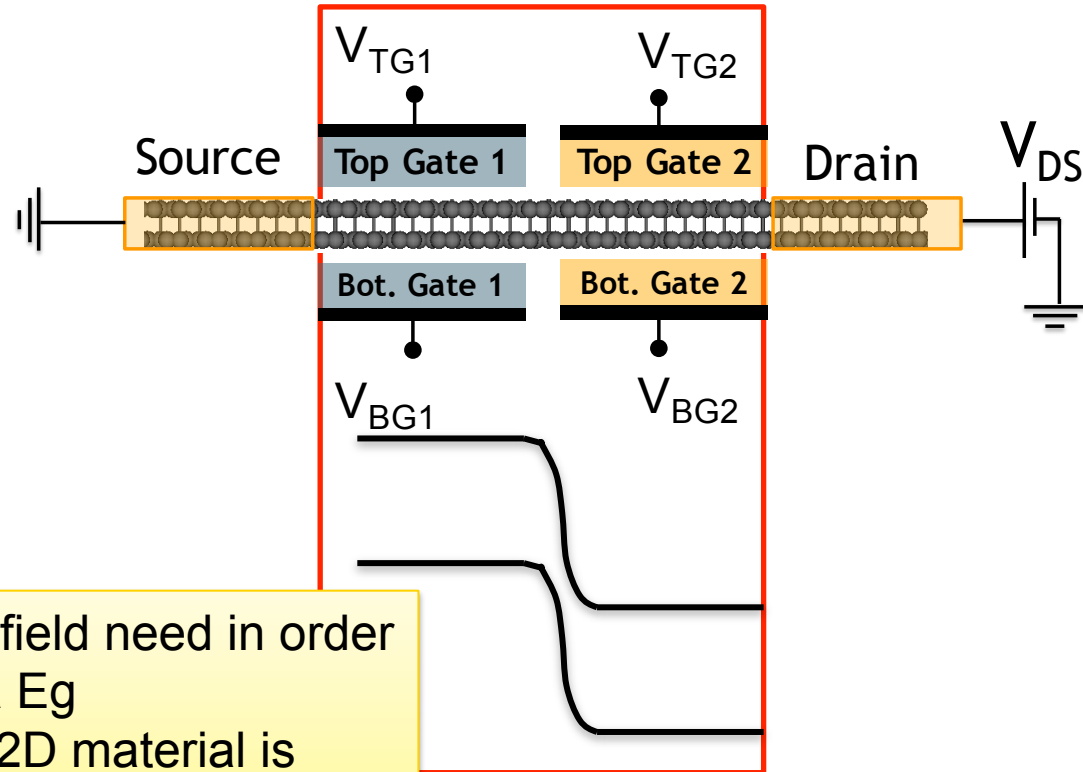
IV Shifting result from tunable band gap

Chemical Doping

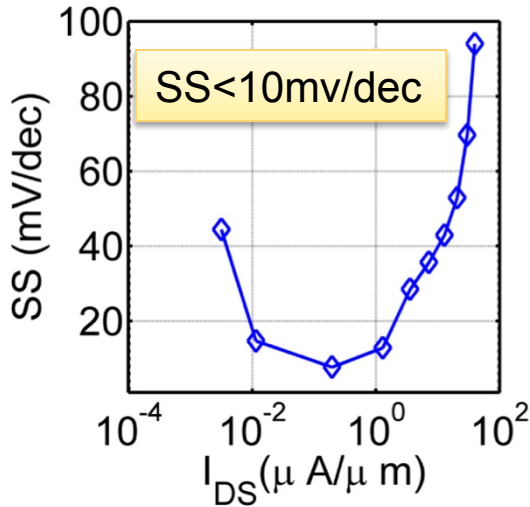
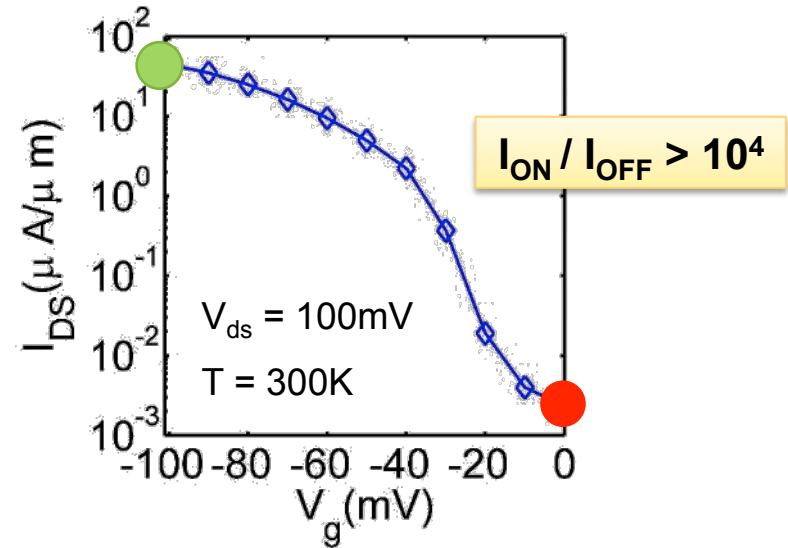
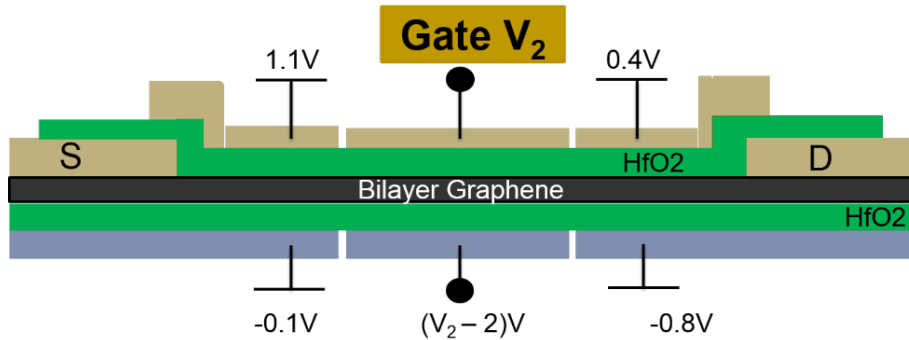


- 1: Vertical field need in order to create a E_g
- 2: Doping 2D material is challenging

Electrical Doping



Electrical Doping in bilayer graphene creates tunnel junction



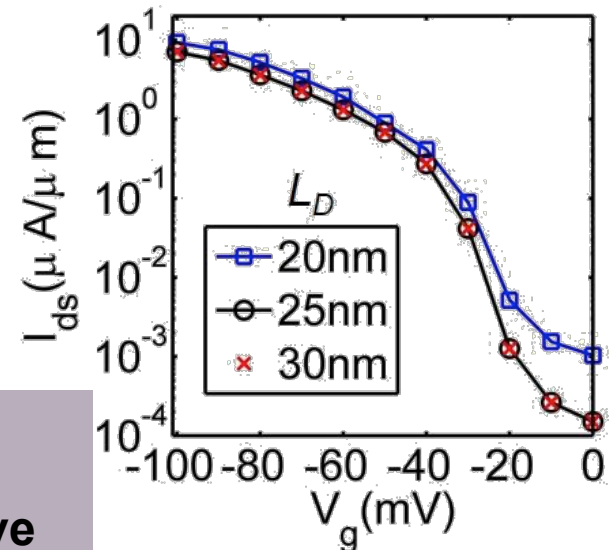
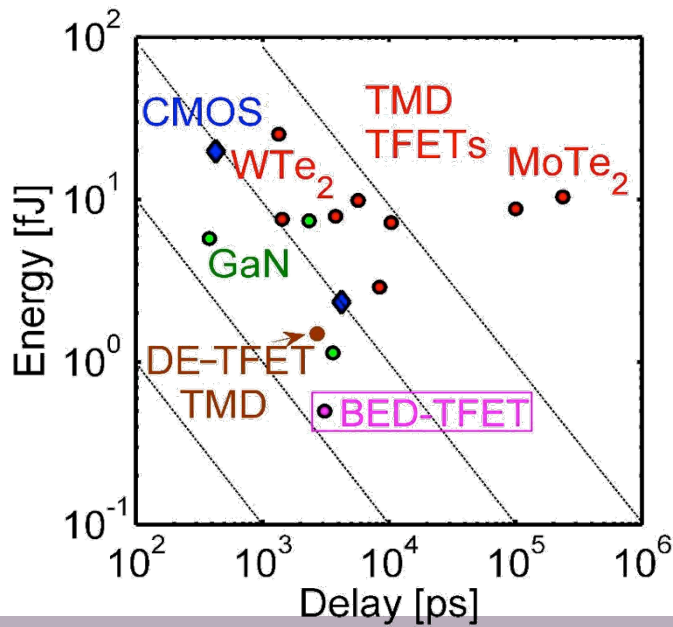
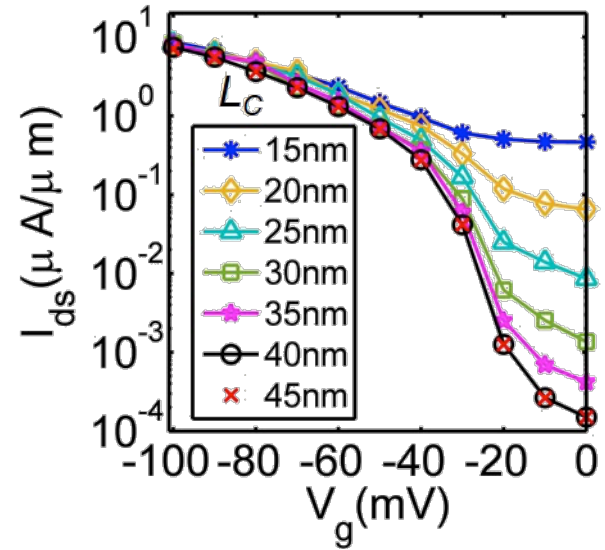
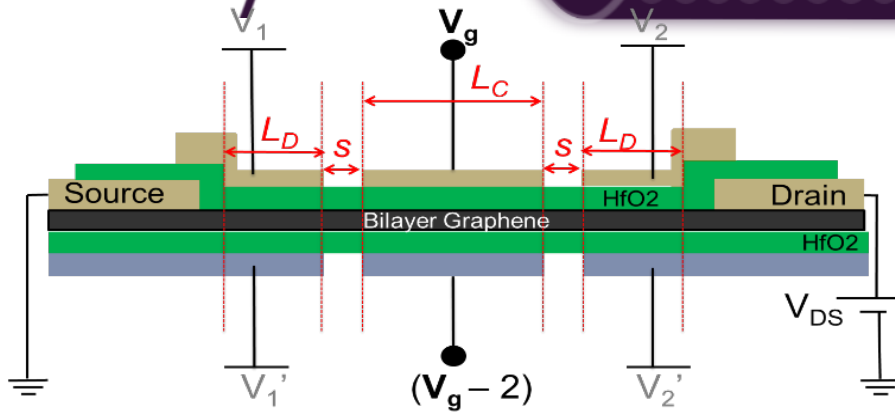
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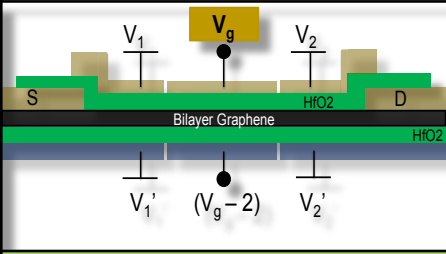
Configurable Electrostatically Doped High Performance Bilayer Graphene Tunnel FET

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BLG TFET can operate at 0.1V with 100uA/um ON current



- Good Energy Delay Product
- Larger foot print → not a good alternative

Device	
VDD (V)	0.1
ION (uA/um)	100
SS (mV/dec)	8
Energy Delay Product	Energy ↓ Delay ↓
Scalability	90nm
Comments	Difficult Gate Alignment

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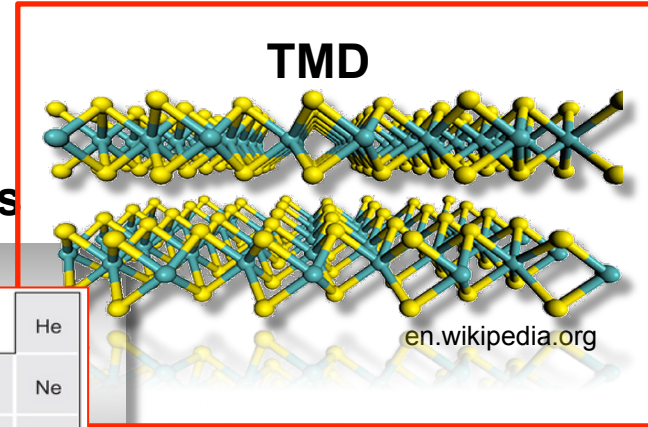
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m^*

Chemical formula: MX_2
 $\text{MoS}_2, \text{WSe}_2$

Black phosphorus



H	MX_2 M = Transition metal X = Chalcogen																He
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na	Mg	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
Cs	Ba	La-Lu	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
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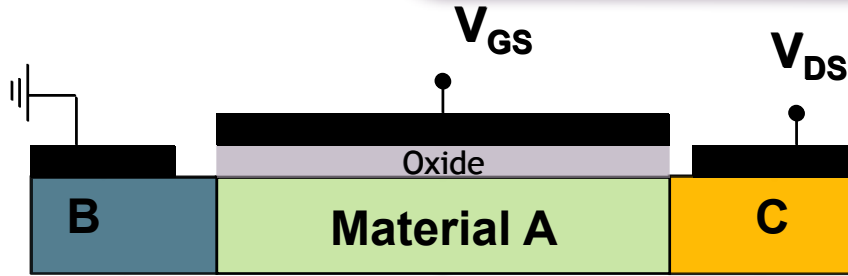
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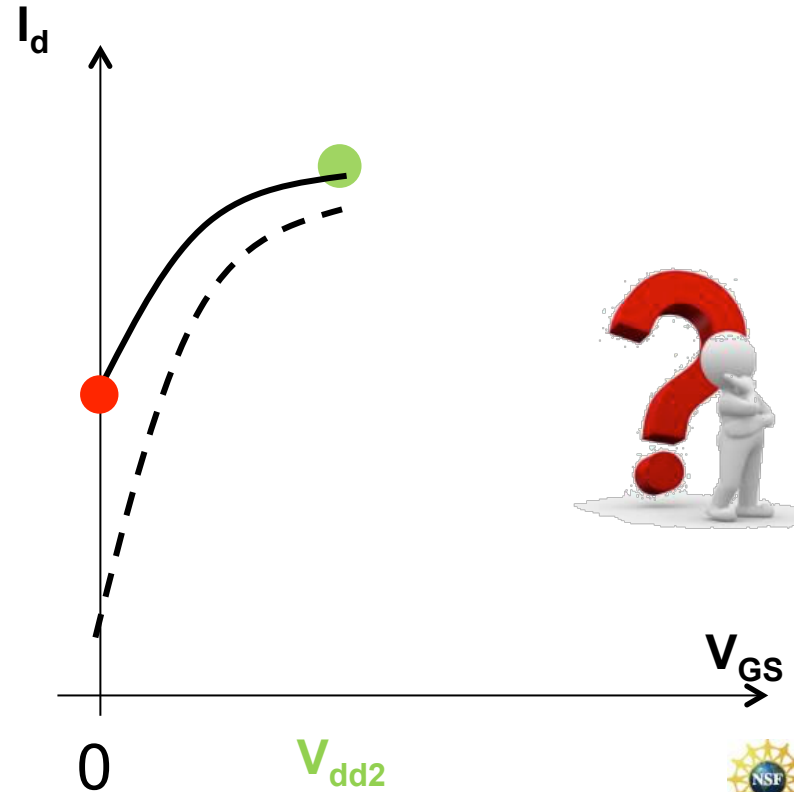
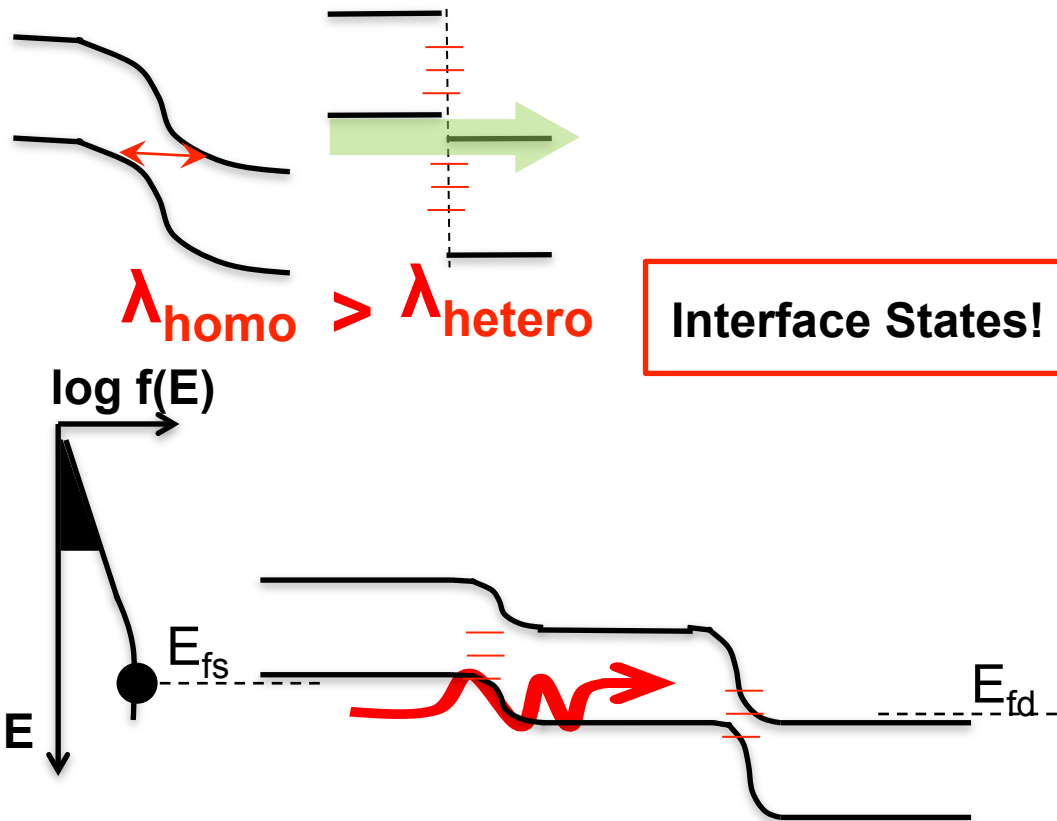
- Various materials ($\text{MoS}_2, \text{WTe}_2, \text{WSe}_2 \dots$)
- Eg: $1.0\text{eV} \rightarrow 2.5\text{eV}$

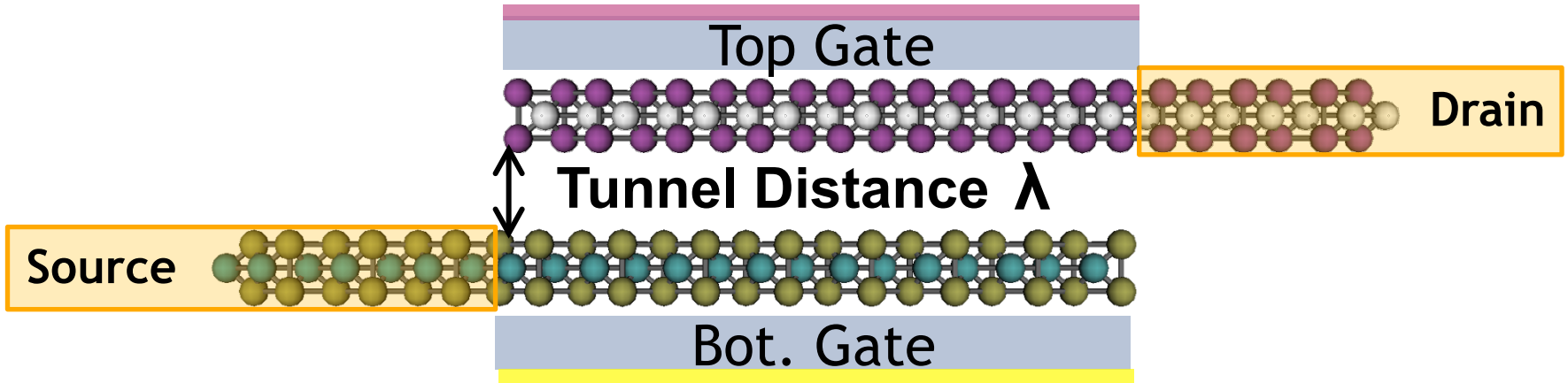
Various TMD materials are available for heterojunction TFET
 \rightarrow Further reduce λ

E_g



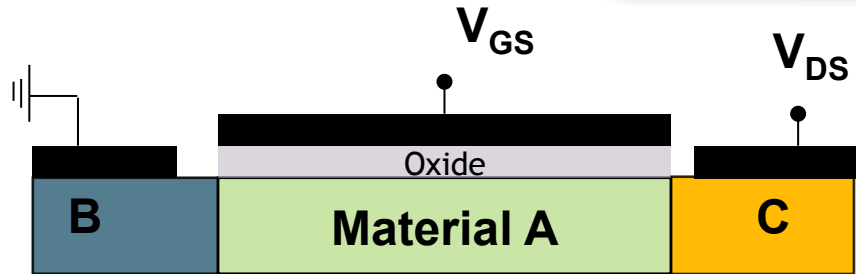
High Interface states degrades the OFF performance in heterojunction TFETs





Surface promises low density of interface defects

Tunnel distance λ , is the sub-nanometer interlayer distance

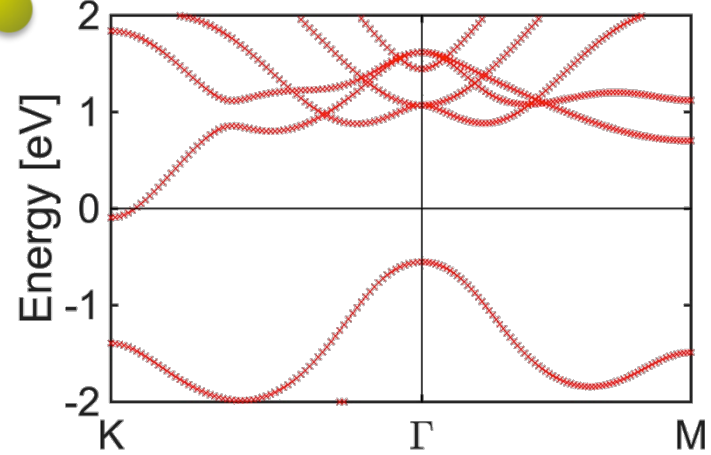
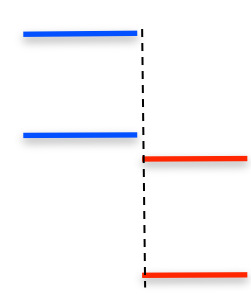
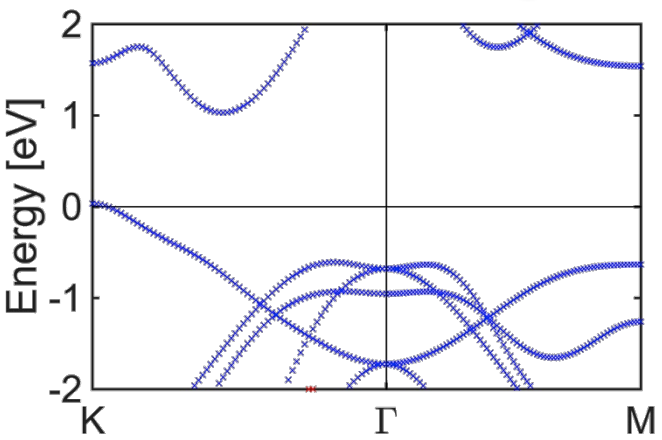
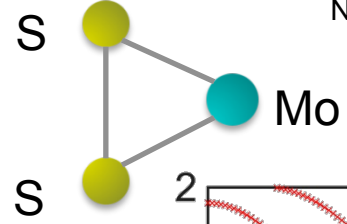


Chemical formula: MX_2
 MoS_2, WSe_2

H																	He
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na	Mg	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
Cs	Ba	La-Lu	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
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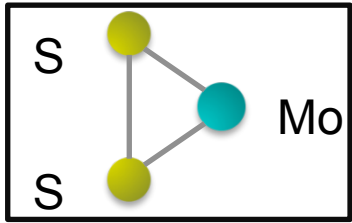
MX_2
M = Transition metal
X = Chalcogen

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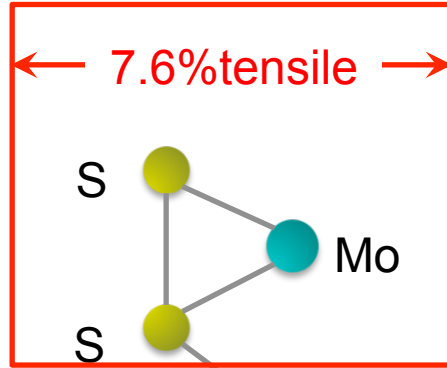


MoS2-WTe2 combination is chosen for broken band alignment

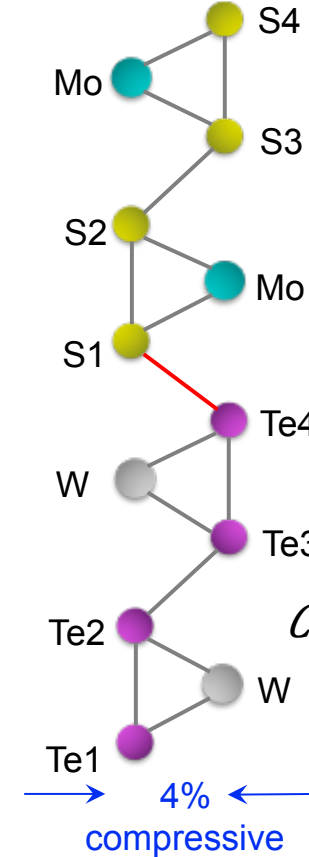
$$a_0 = 3.16\text{\AA}$$



$$a_0' = 3.40\text{\AA}$$



← 7.6% tensile →

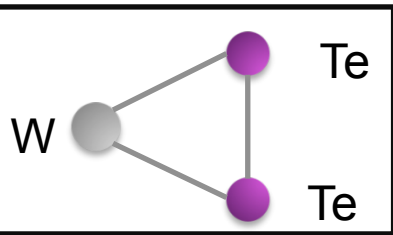


Interface VdW
coupling

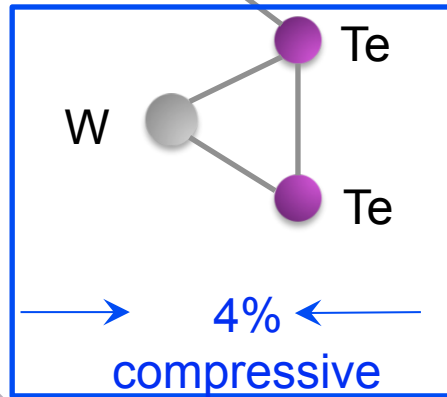
Coupling S2&S3 + Coupling T...

4%
compressive

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$$a_0 = 3.50\text{\AA}$$

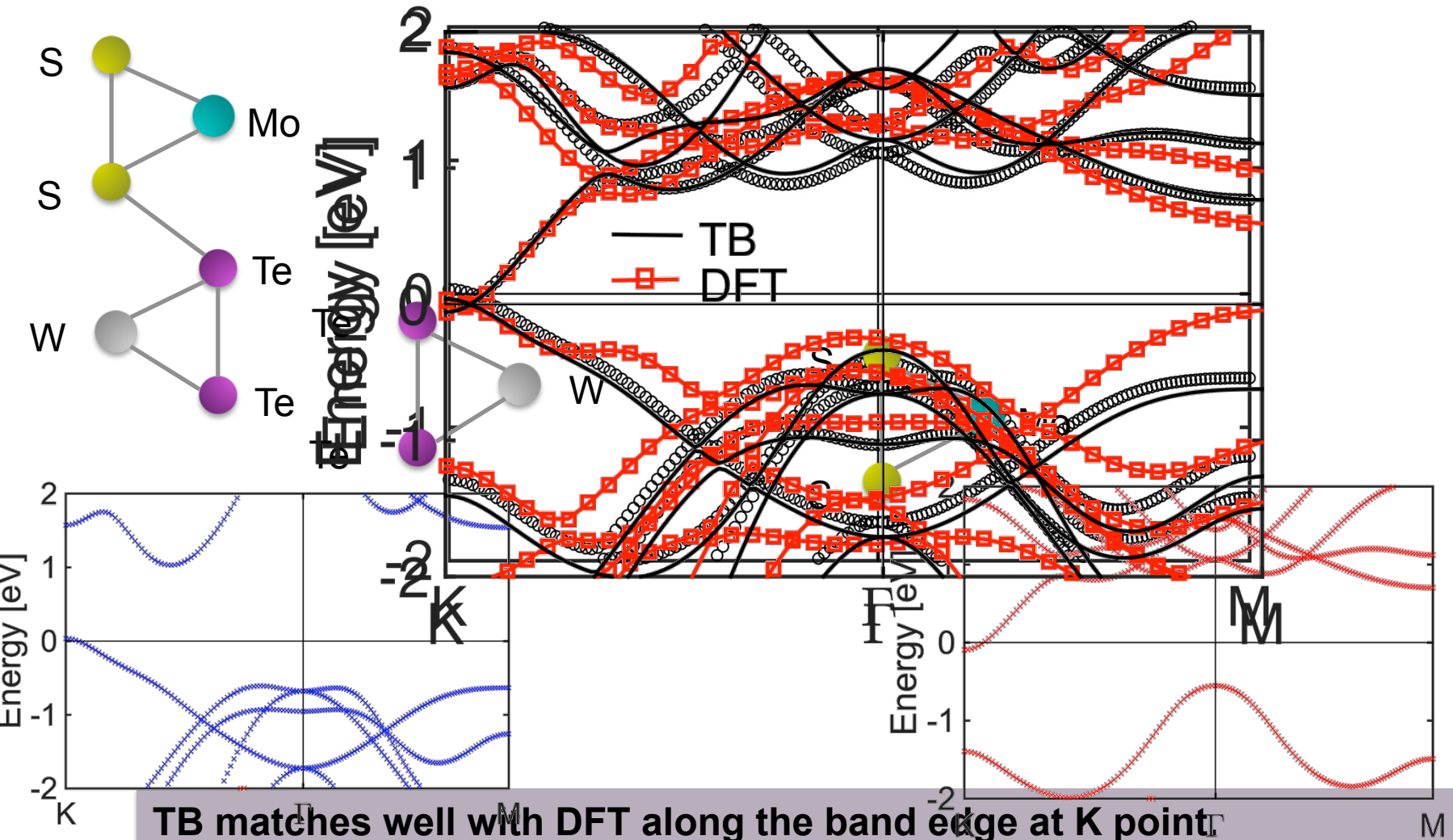


Create unit cell by strain

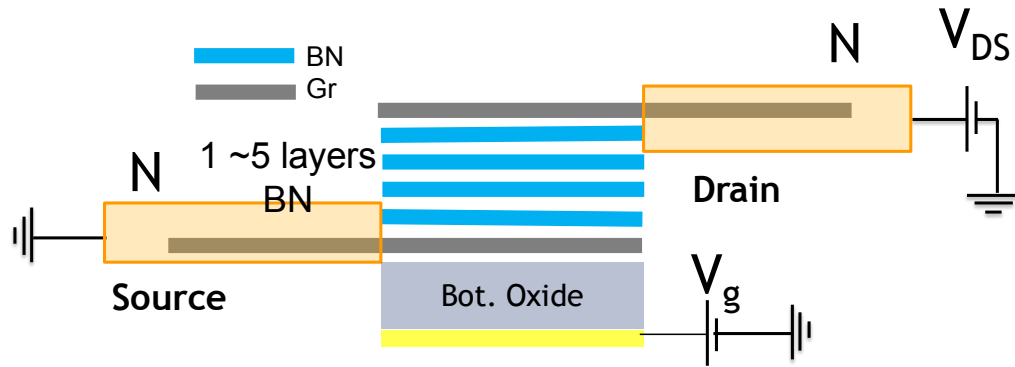
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Assumption I : different layer has been strained to the same lattice constant to be registered

Assumption II : Interface VdW coupling is the average of the VdW of the two materials



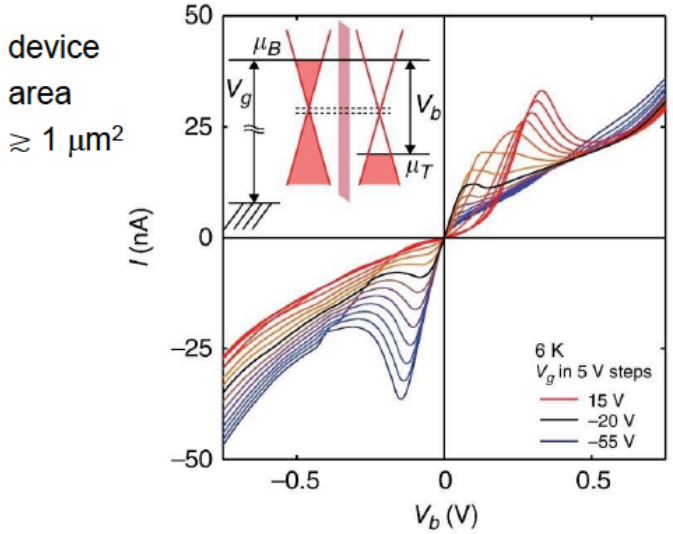
TB matches well with DFT along the band edge at K point. This is important for transport



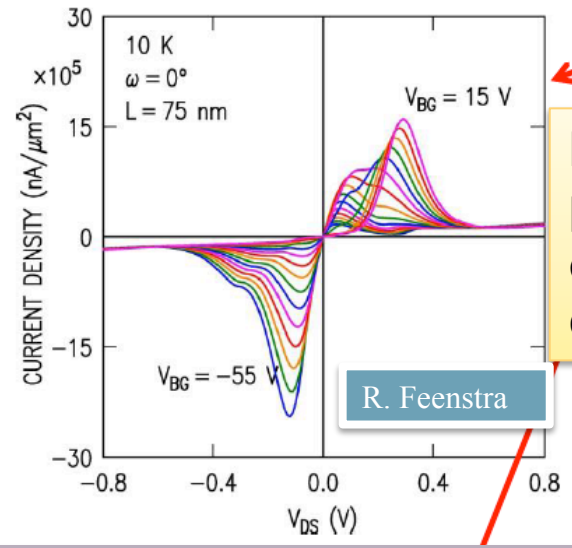
Gr/BN/Gr device structure is simulated to validate our model

Assumption I & II are also applied to this simulation

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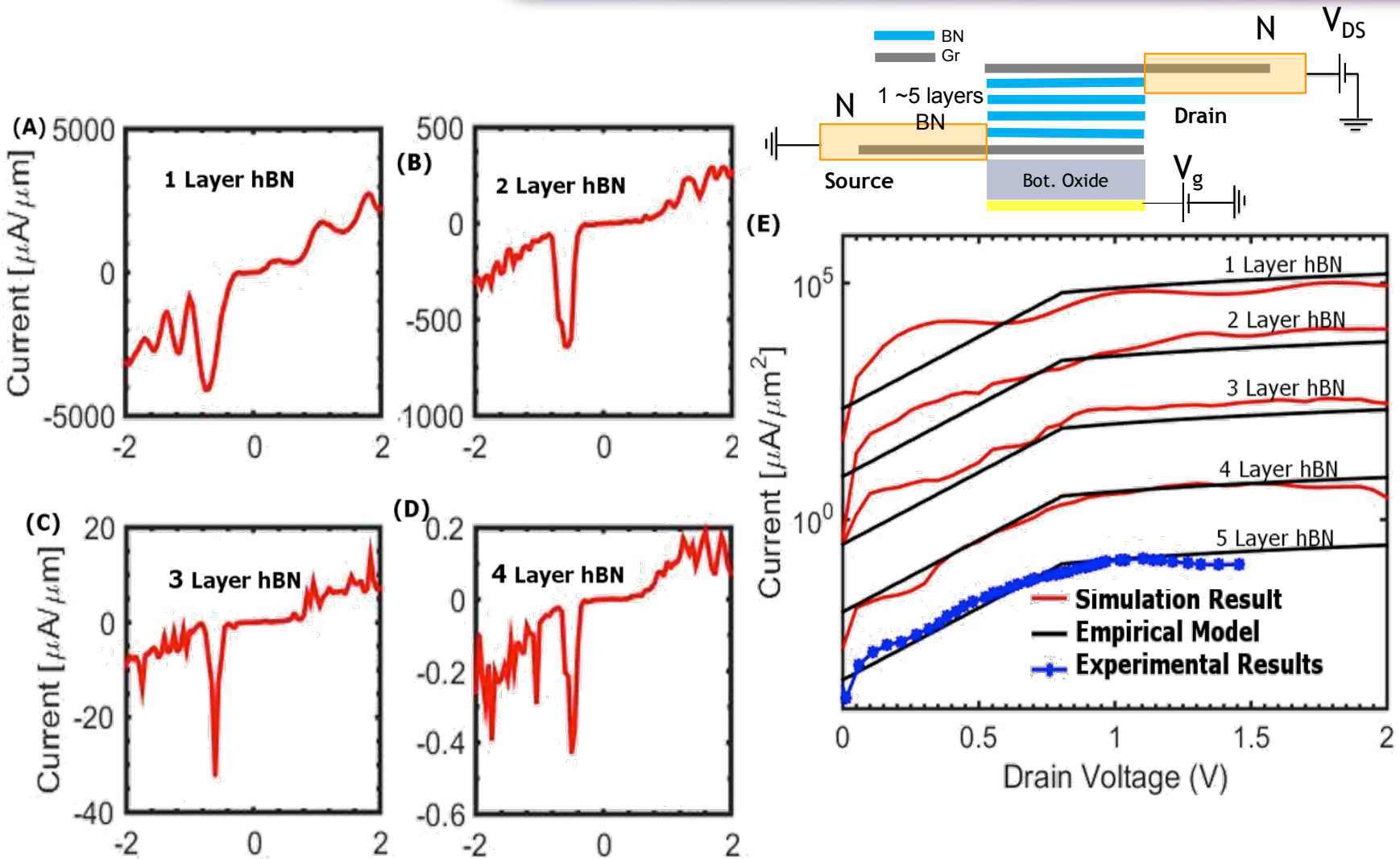


Theory: Plane-Wave Bardeen



Previous study predicts 2~3 orders of magnitude higher current

Gr/BN/Gr structure is simulated in order to Validate Model



NEMO5 results match experimental current value → Model Validated

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Single particle transport in two-dimensional heterojunction interlayer tunneling field effect transistor

Operating principles of vertical transistors based on m semiconductor heterojunctions

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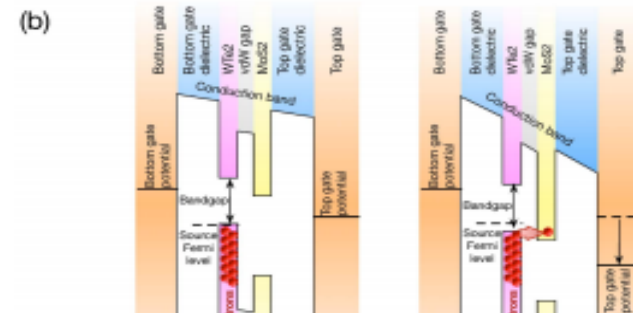
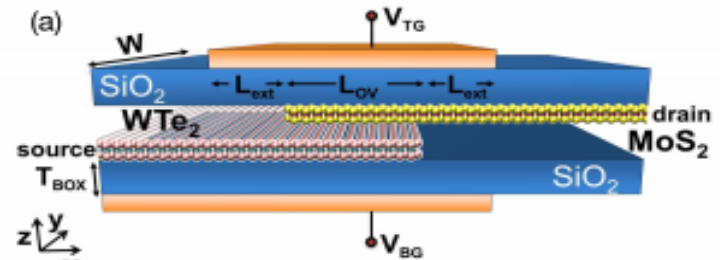
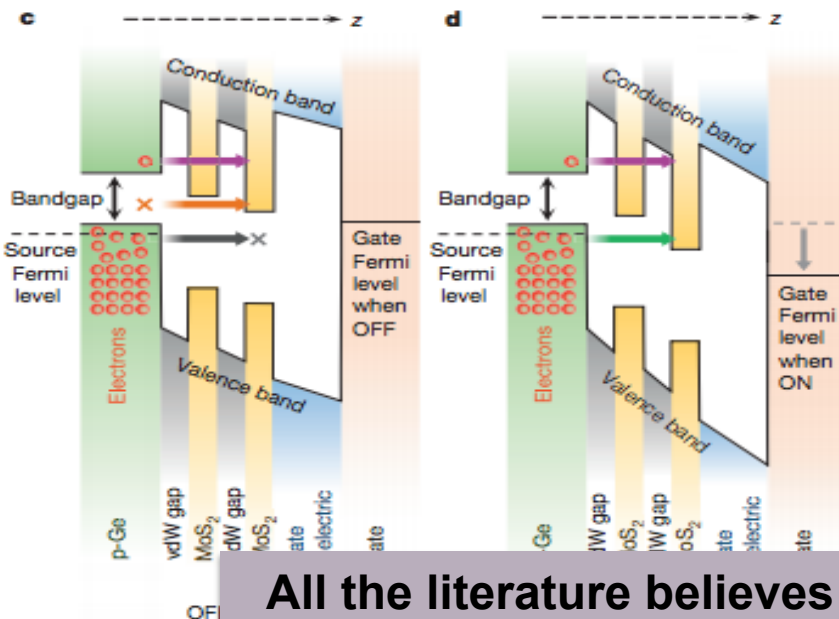
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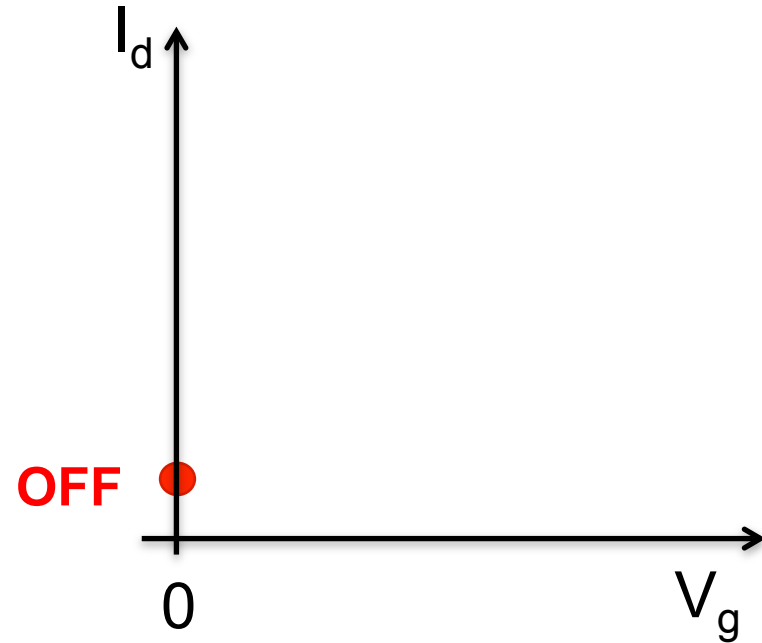
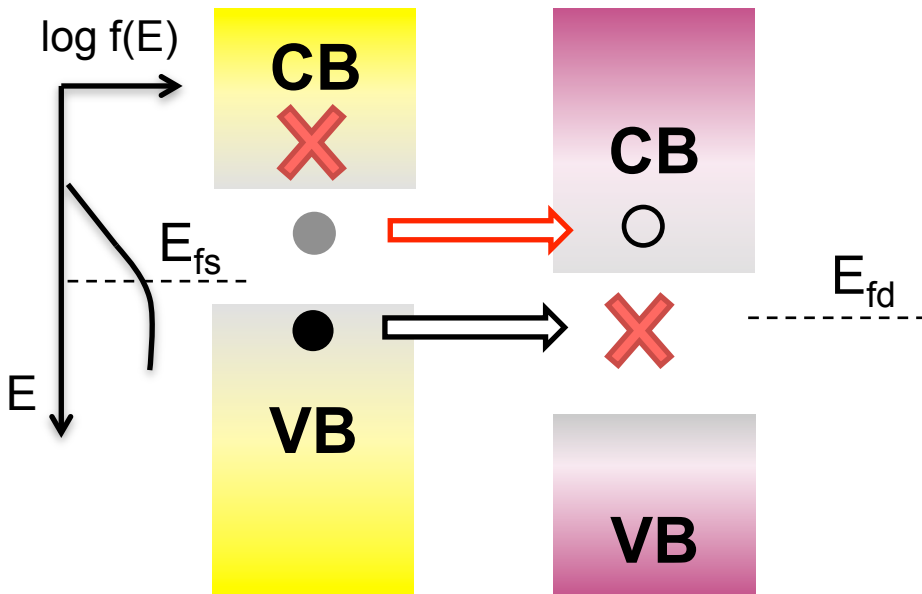
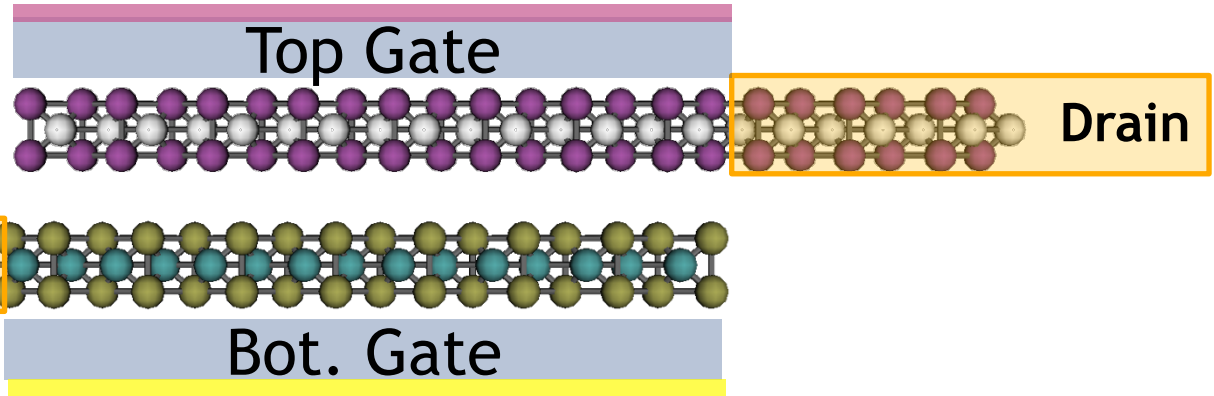


All the literature believes Bands Shifting Switching Mechanism

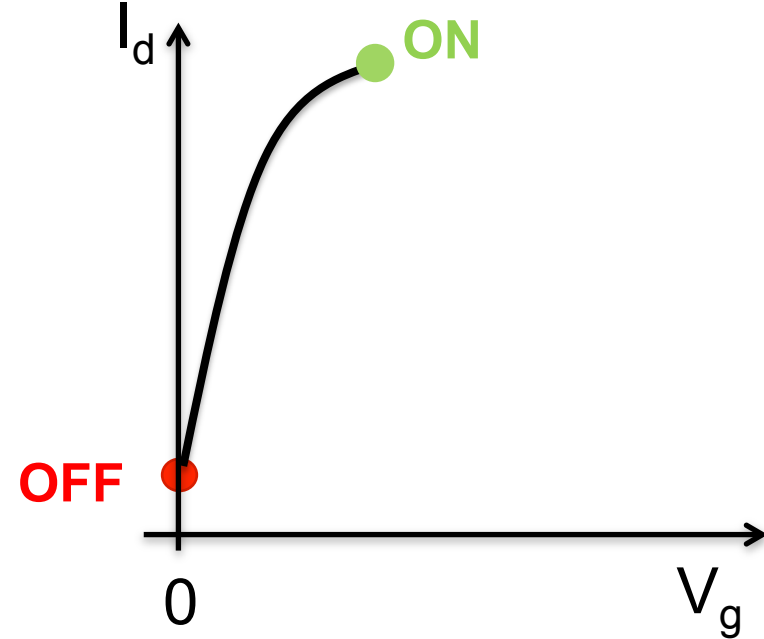
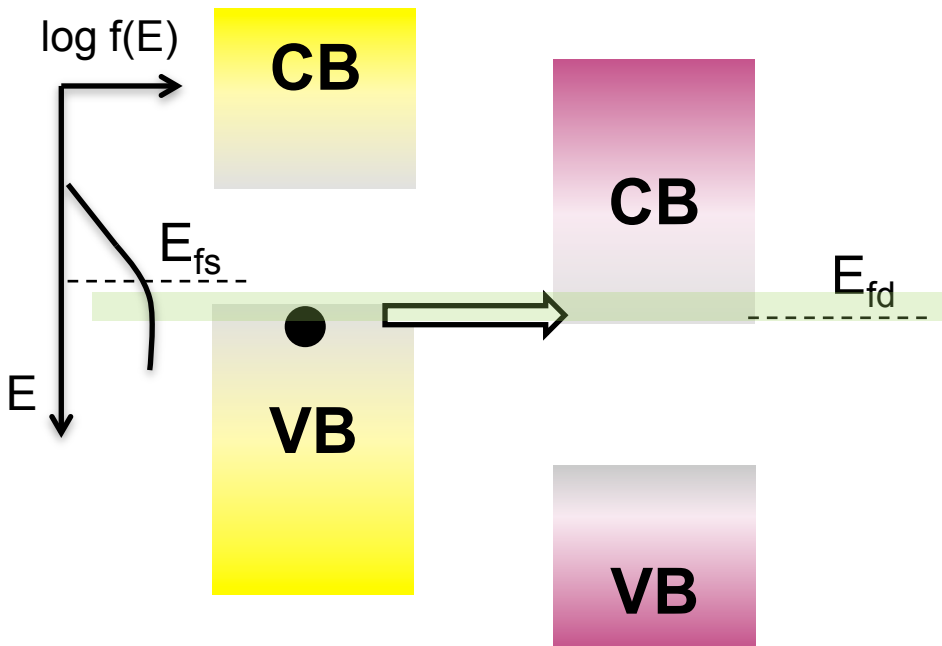
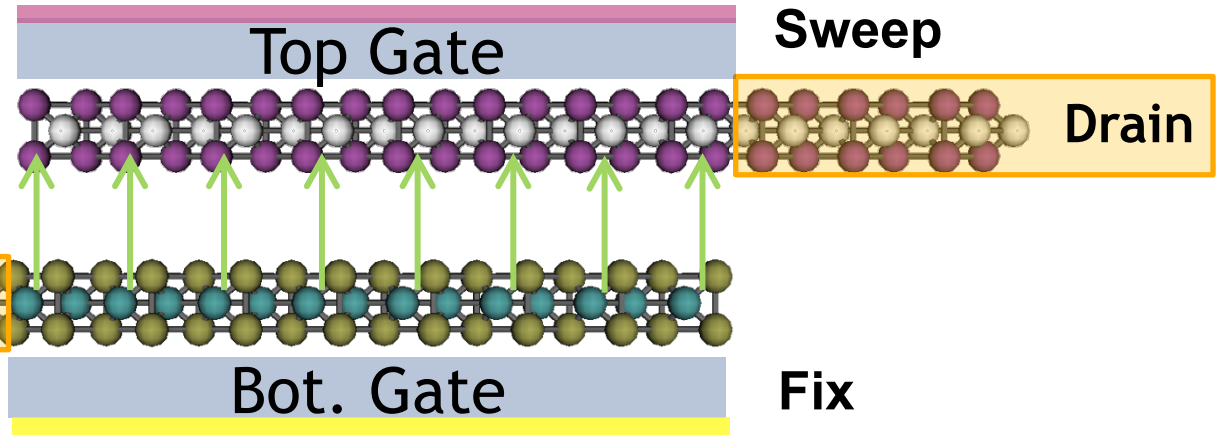
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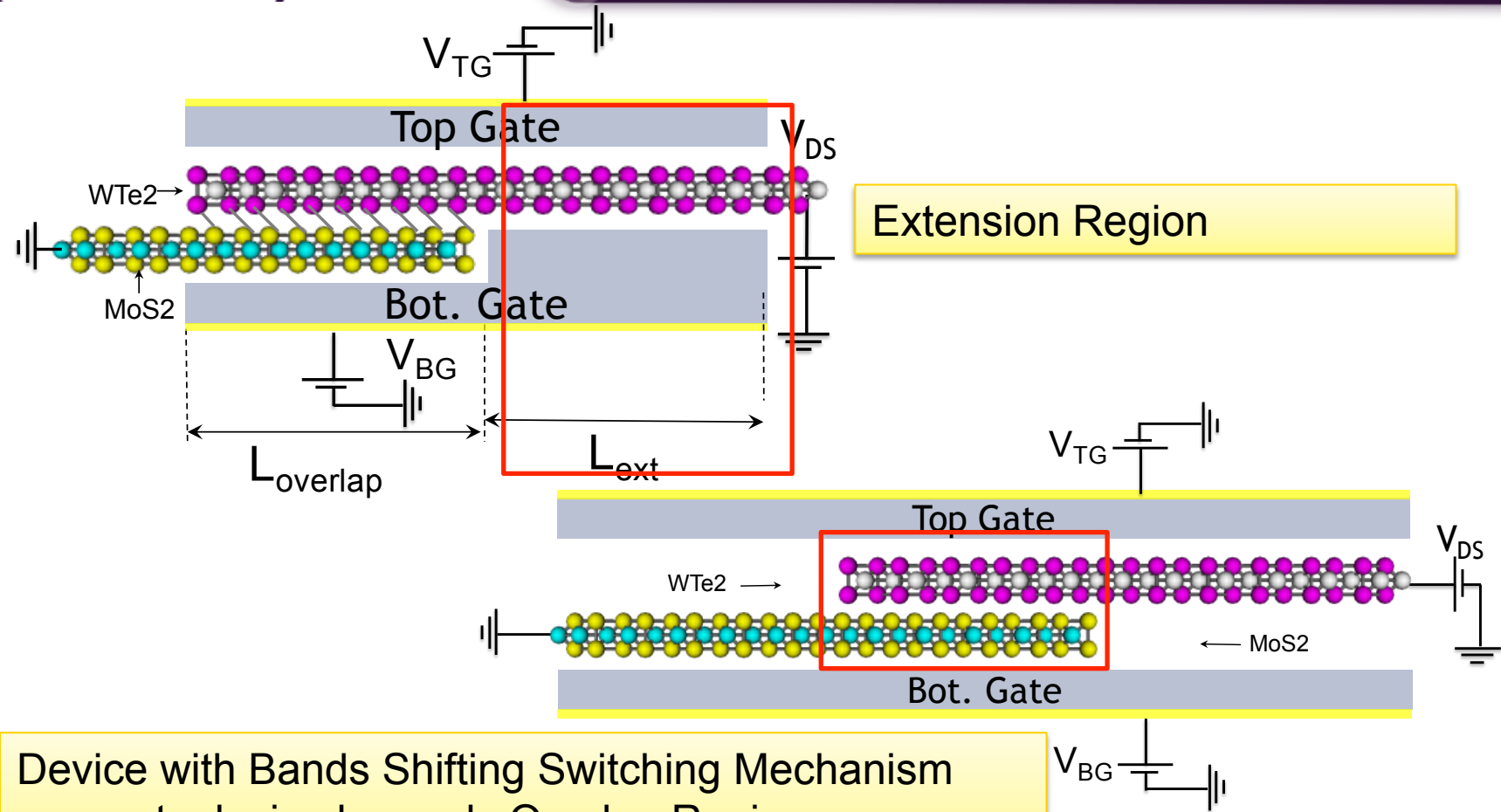


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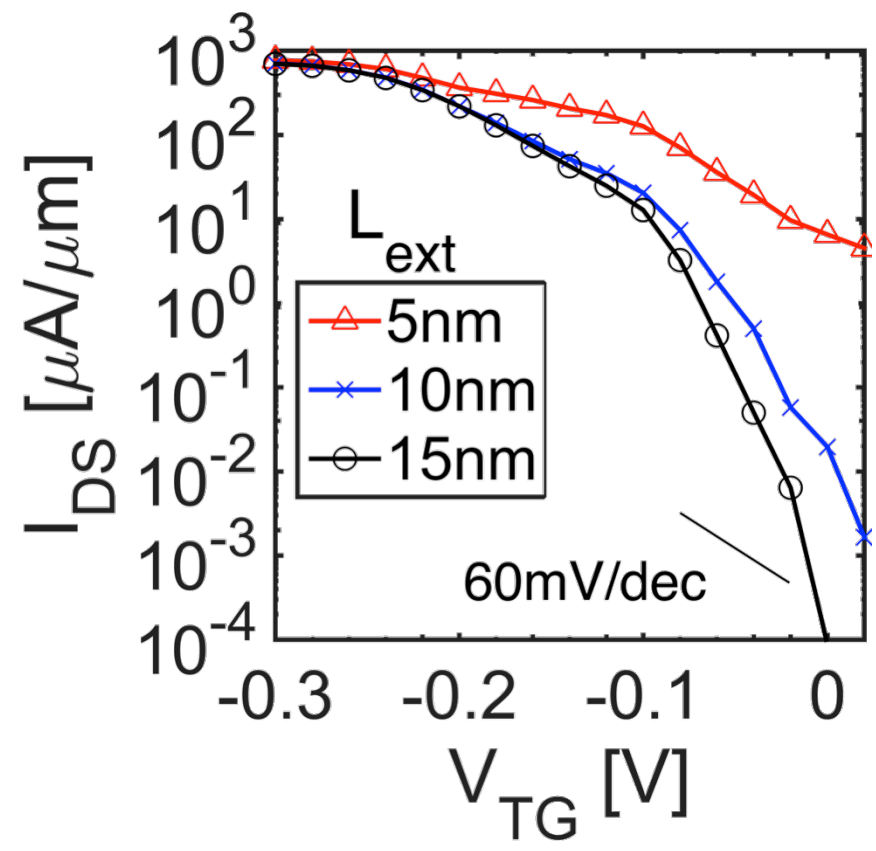
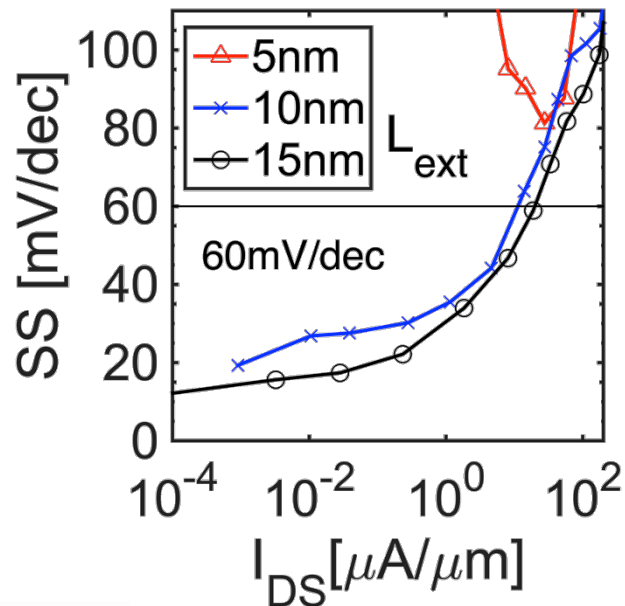
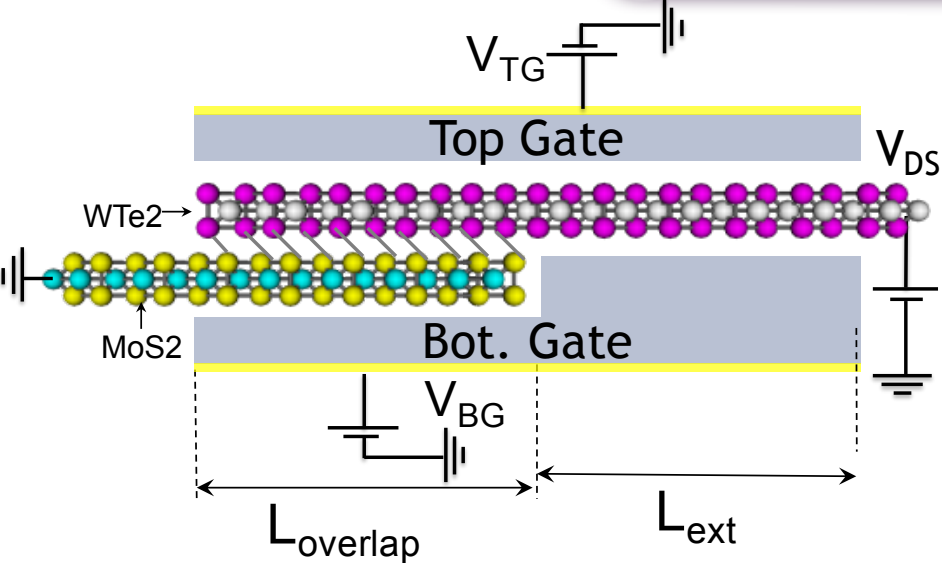




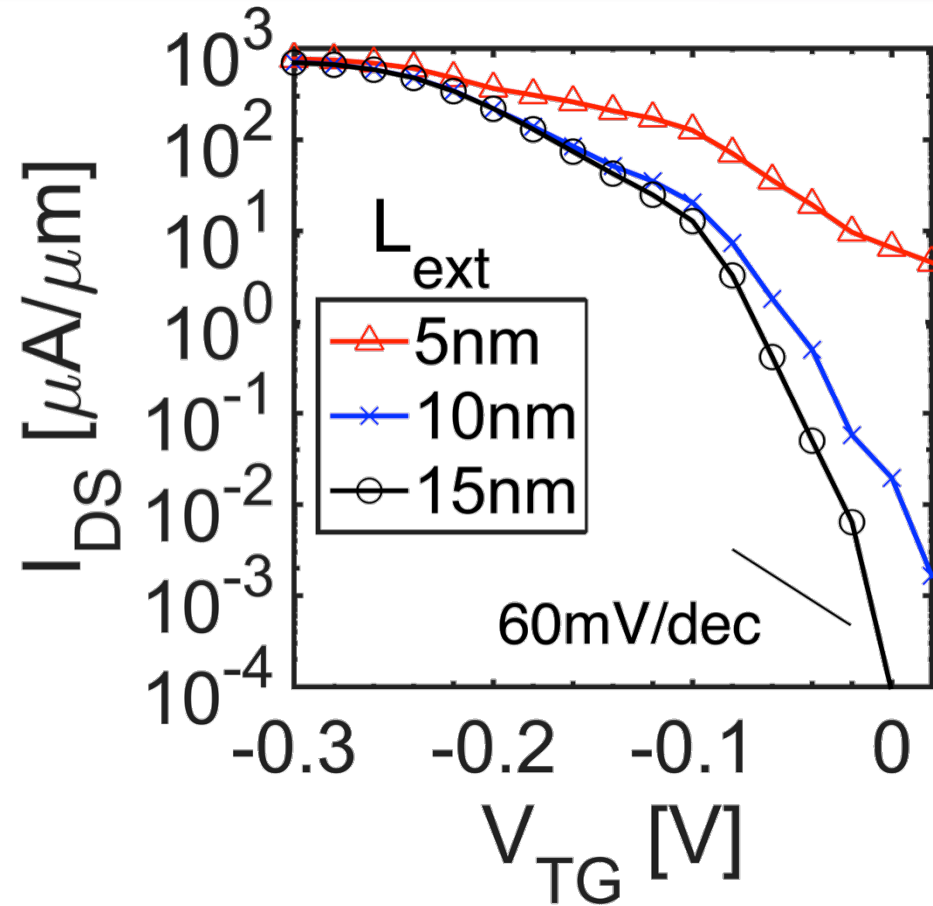
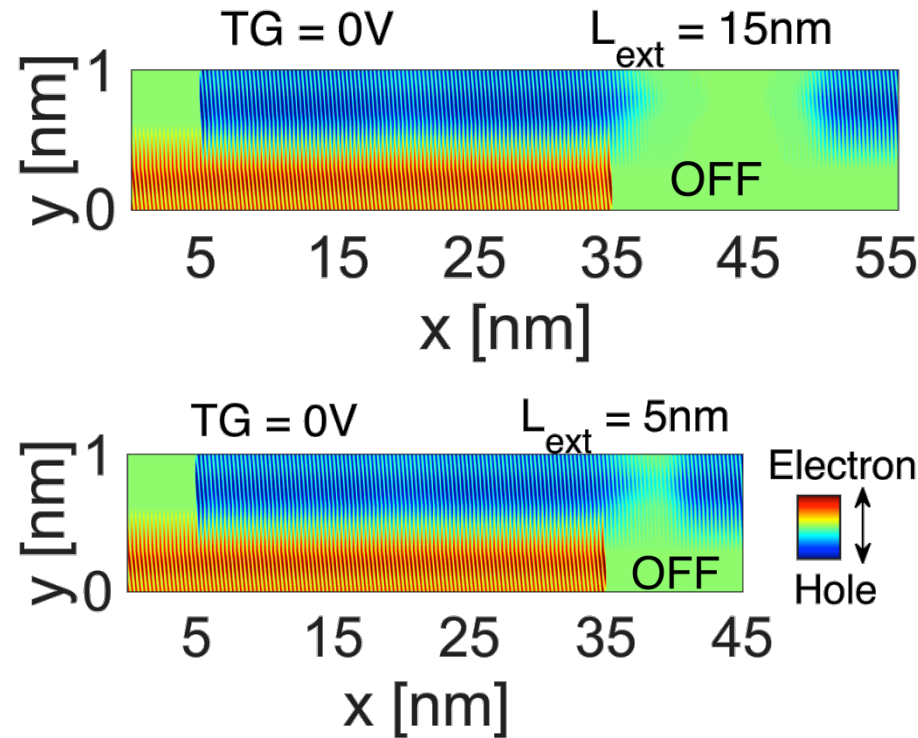
Extension Region

Device with Bands Shifting Switching Mechanism suggests device has only Overlap Region

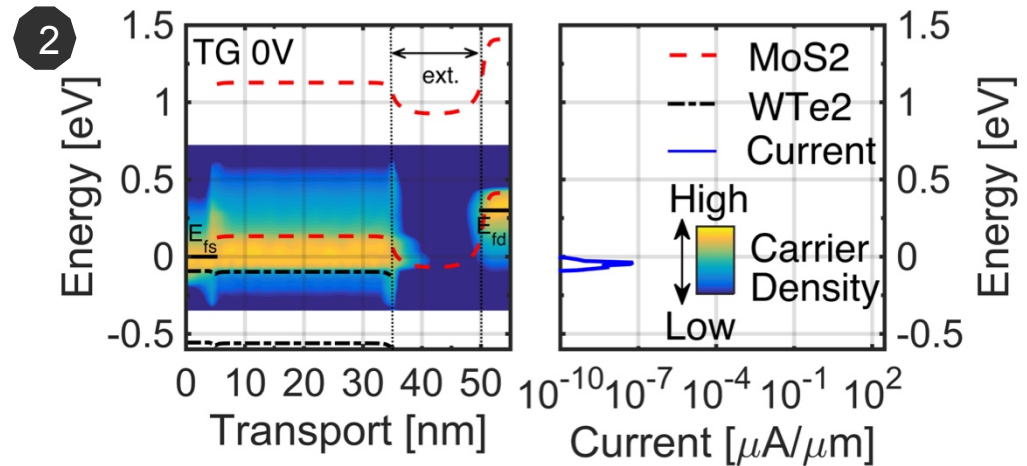
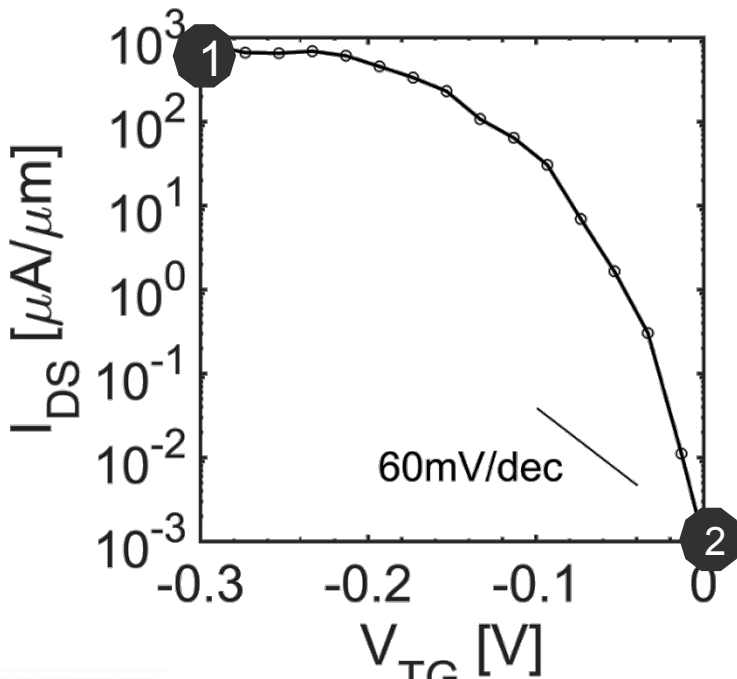
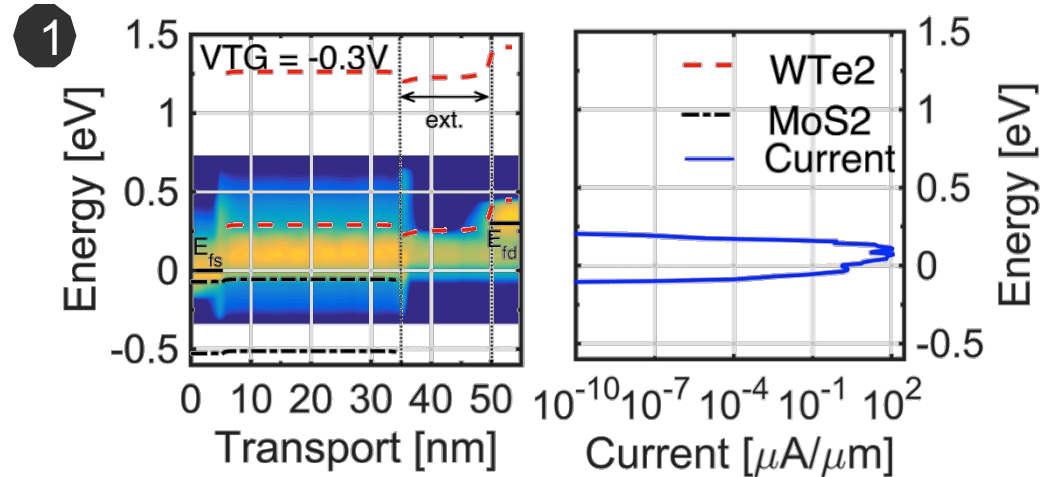
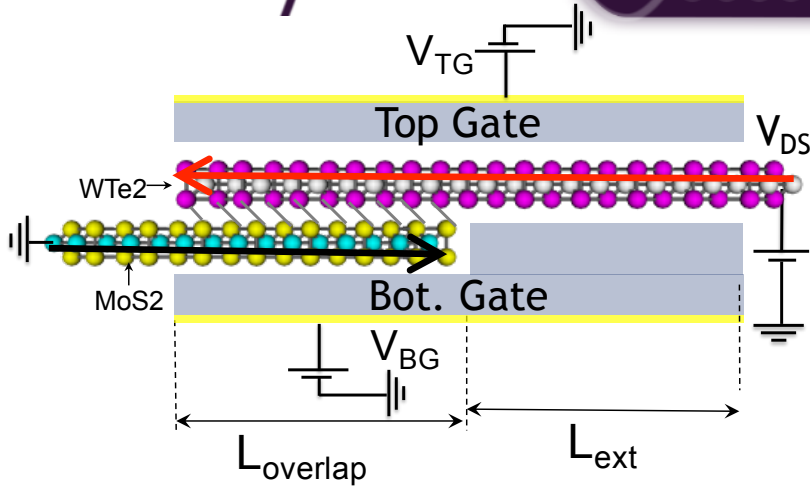
Extension regions is defined as the region that has only one layer



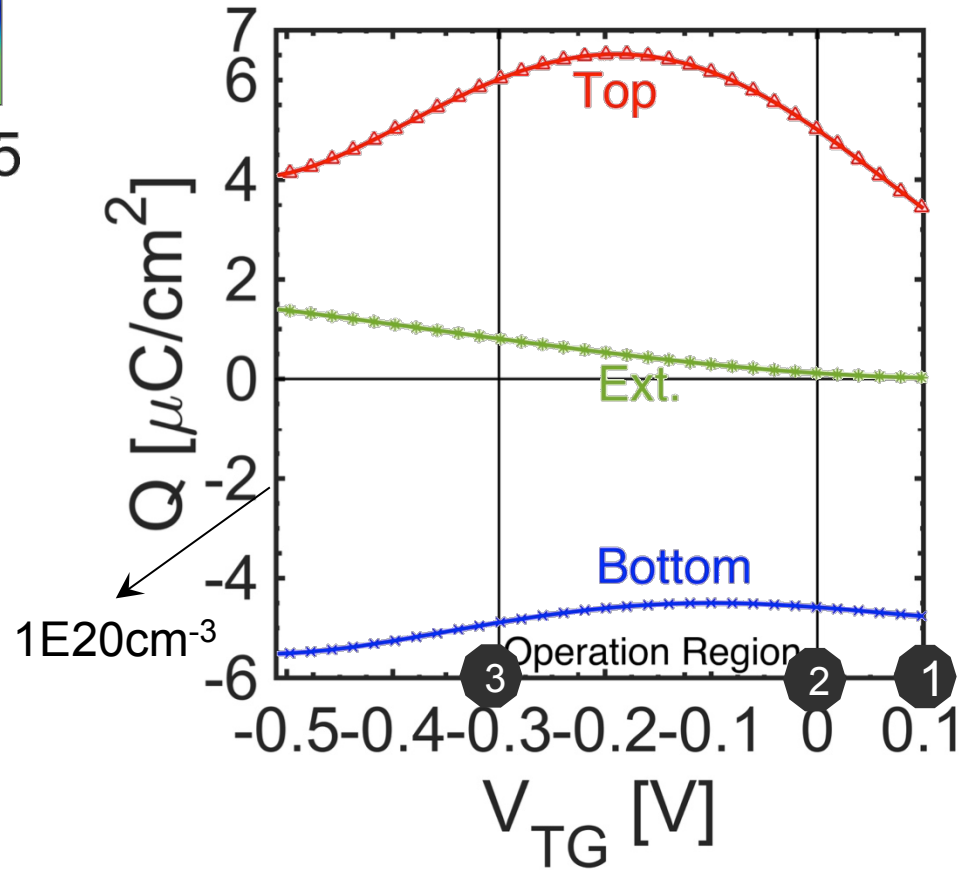
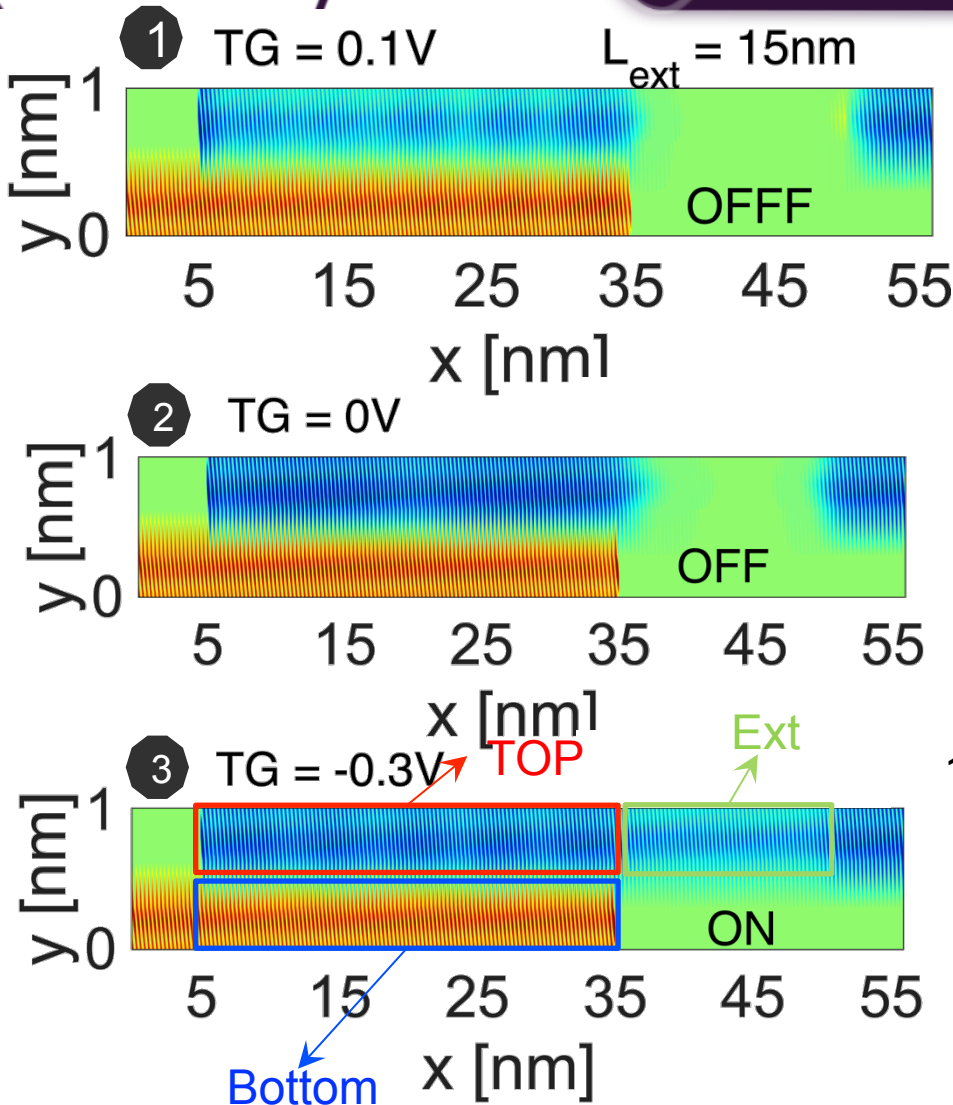
ON and SS are degraded with shorter extension region



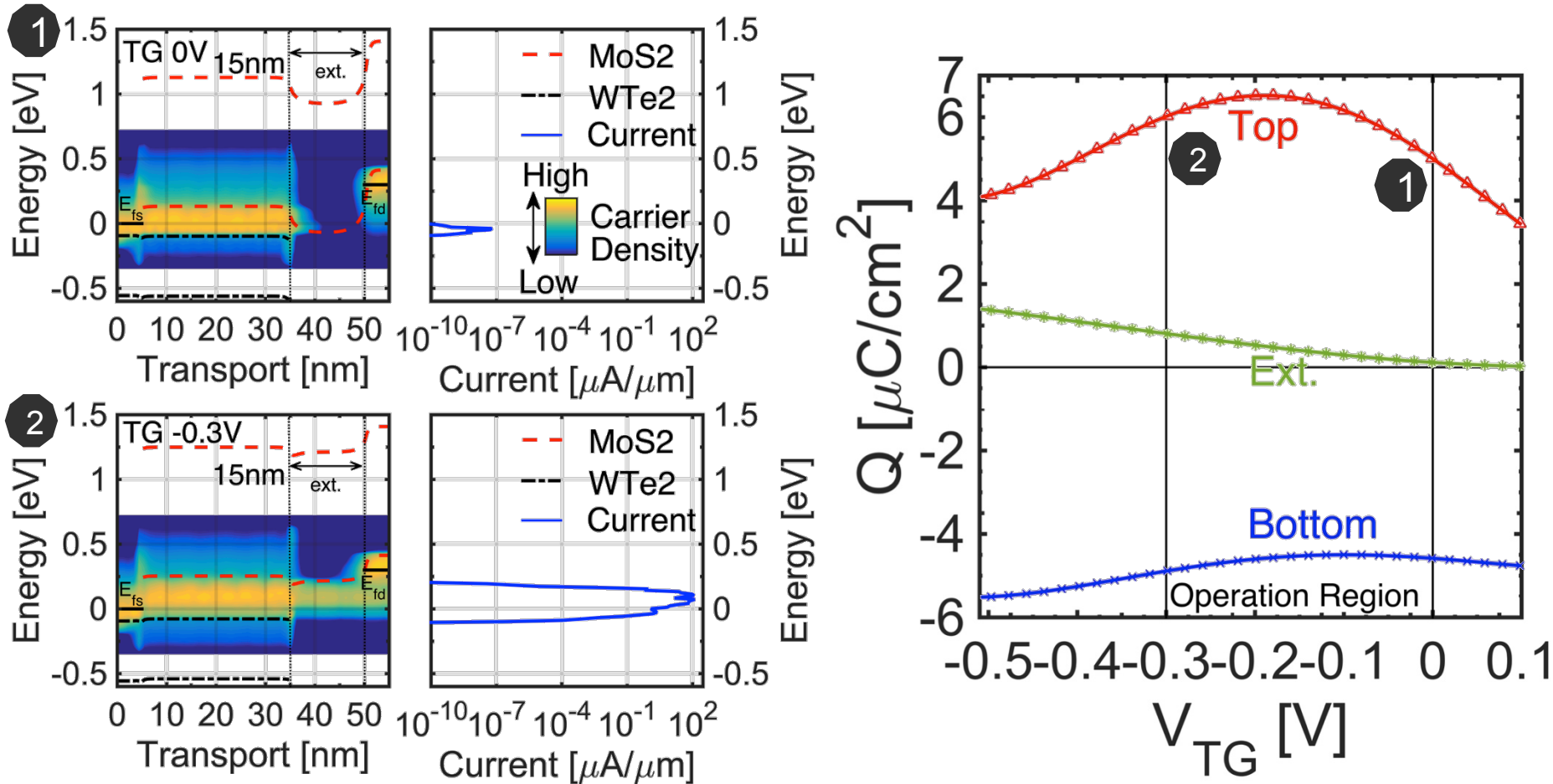
**Both Top and Bottom Layer stay charged at the OFF state;
 Long extension region blocks the leakage current.**



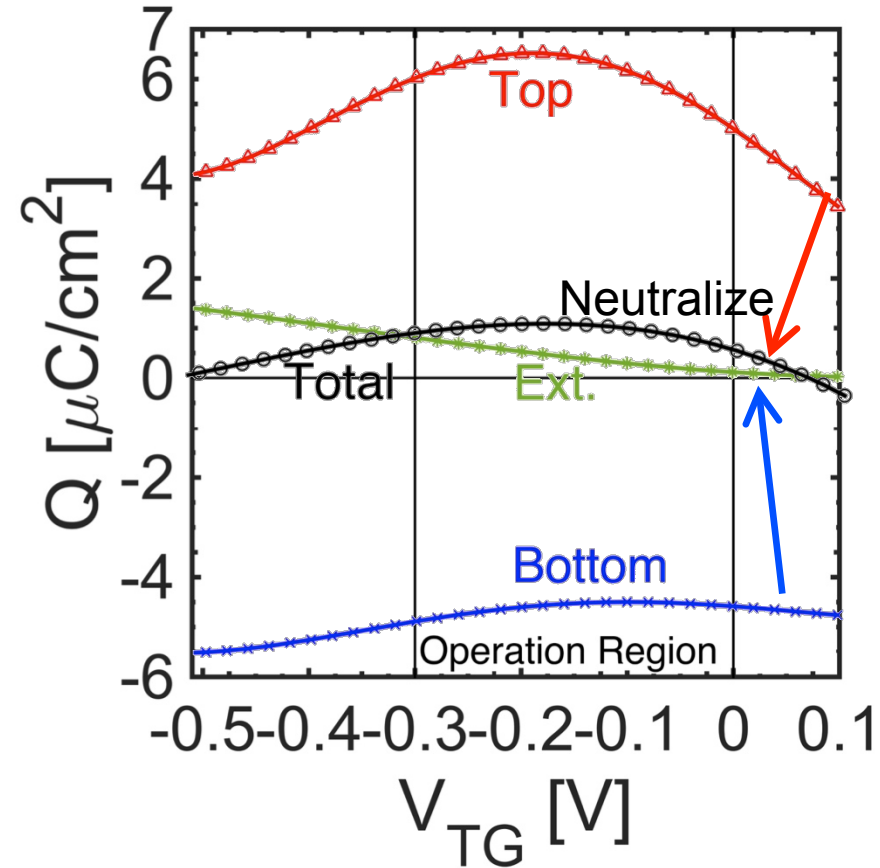
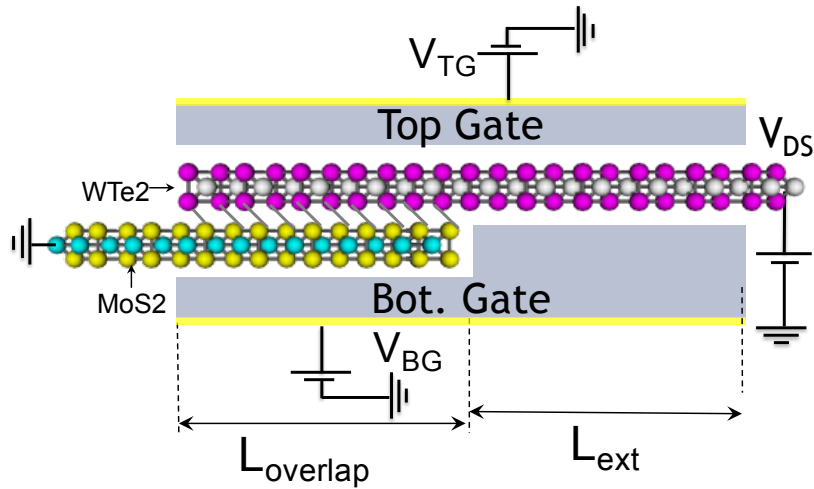
**Overlap Region high density at OFF,
Extension region turns off the device,
Bands Shifting is **Wrong****



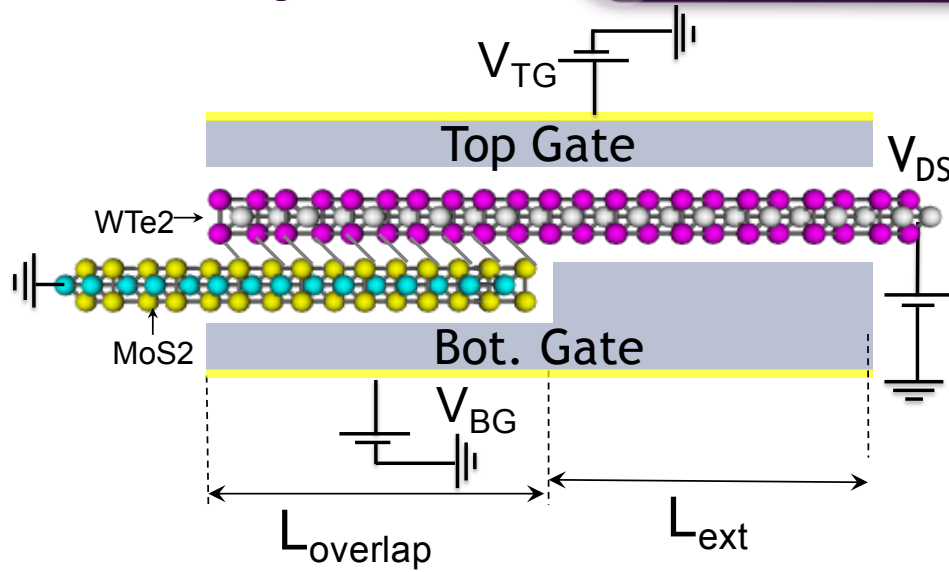
Top and Bottom Layer stay highly Charged during both ON and OFF



Decrease in top layer charge is due to current flowing

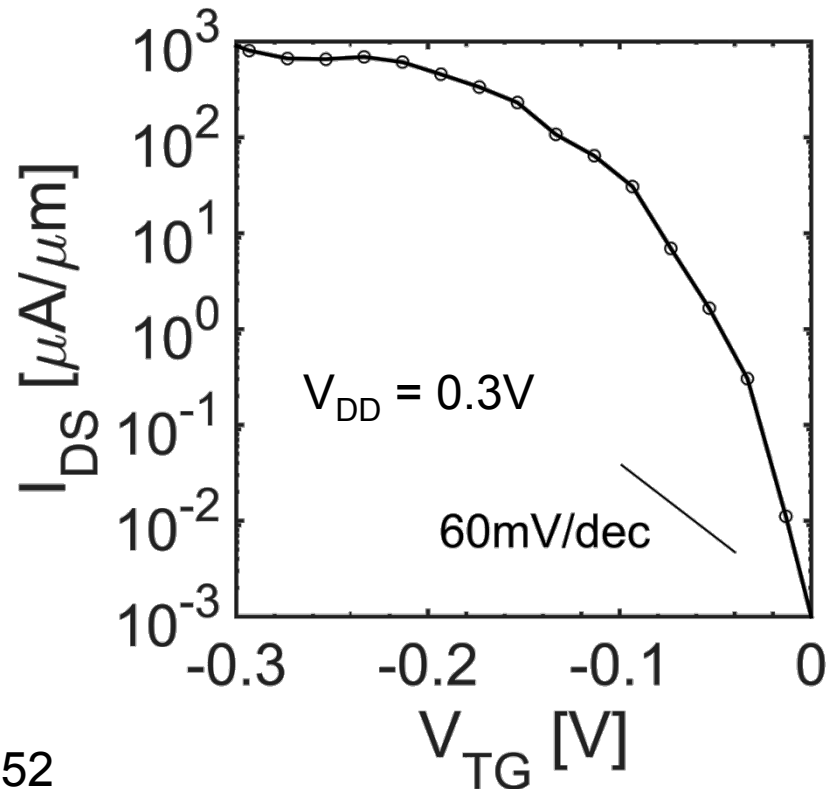


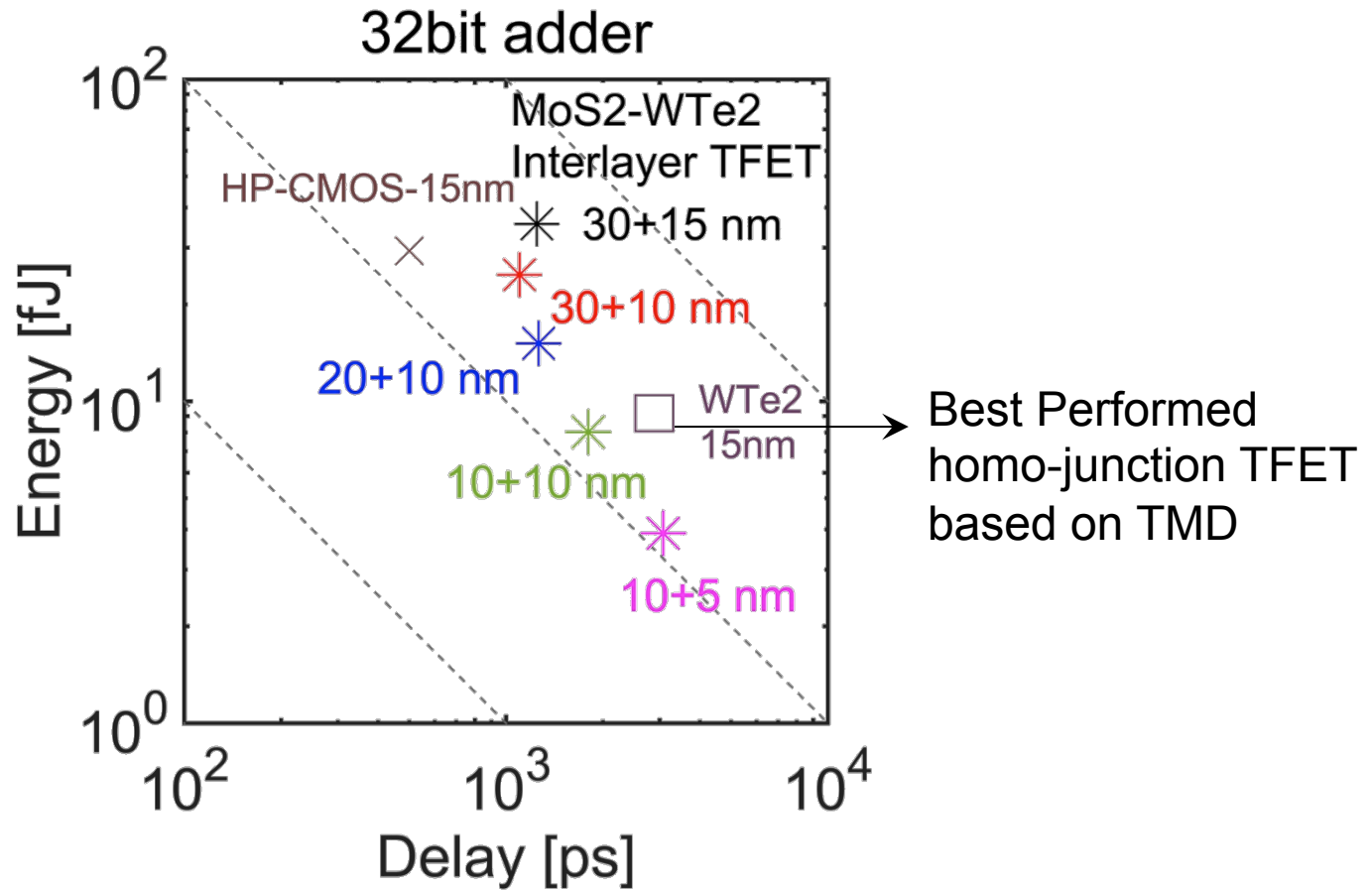
Though Device stays highly charged,
total Charge is not huge due to neutralization



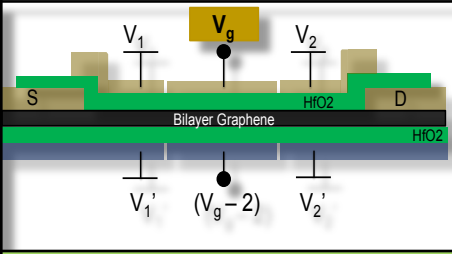
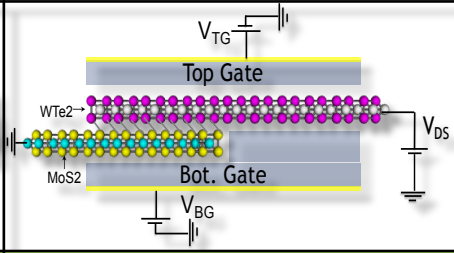
$L_{ch} = 30\text{nm}$
 $V_{DS} = -0.3\text{V}$
 $V_{BG} = 0.5\text{V}$
 $L_{ext} = 15\text{nm}$
 $EOT = 0.5\text{nm}$

WTe2-MoS2 Interlayer TFET
demonstrates a smallest SS of
10mV/dec
ON current ~ 1000 uA/um





MoS2-WTe2 interlayer TFETs does not show too much improvement in EDP

Device		
VDD (V)	0.1	0.3
ION (uA/um)	100	1000
SS (mV/dec)	8	10
Energy Delay Product	Energy ↓ Delay ↓	Energy ↓ Delay ↑
Scalability	90nm	15nm
Comments	Difficult Gate Alignment	Device Switching Mechanism

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Black Phosphorous

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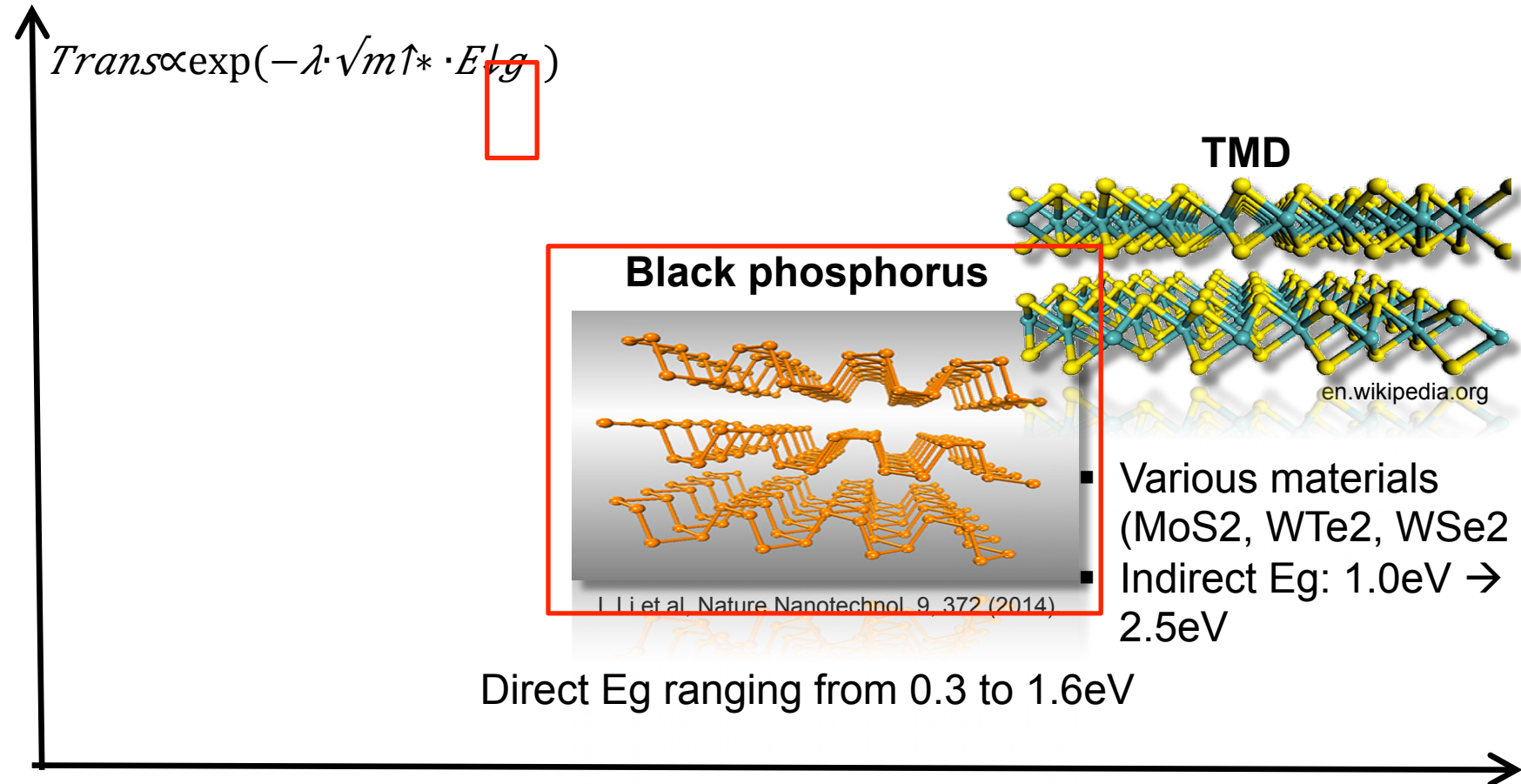
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$$I \propto ON \uparrow \rightarrow Trans \uparrow \rightarrow \lambda \downarrow \rightarrow t \downarrow ch \downarrow$$

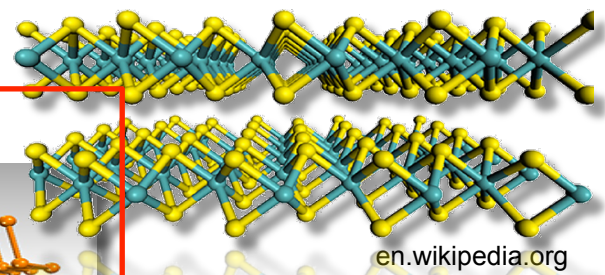
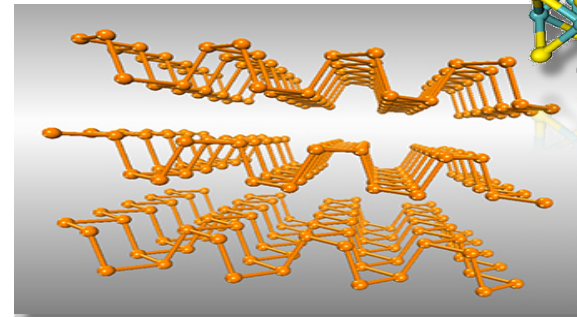
$$Trans \propto \exp(-\lambda \cdot \sqrt{m^*} \cdot E_g)$$

m^*



TMD

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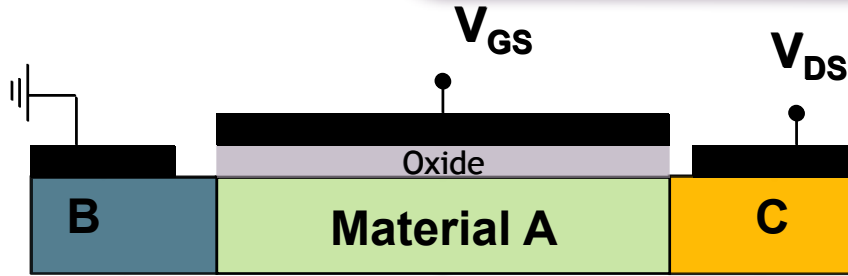
- Various materials (MoS2, WTe2, WSe2 ..)
- Indirect Eg: 1.0eV → 2.5eV

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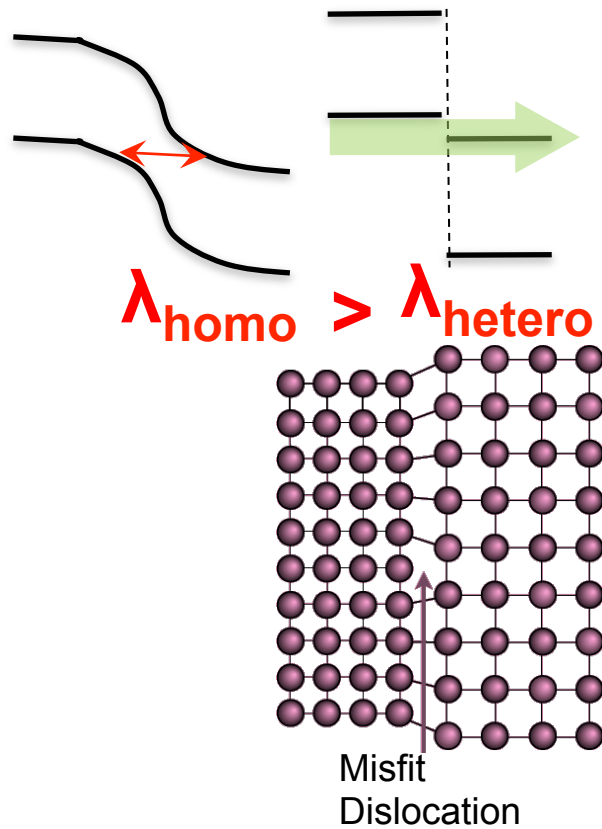
Direct Eg ranging from 0.3 to 1.6eV

2D Material Reduces tunnel distance λ

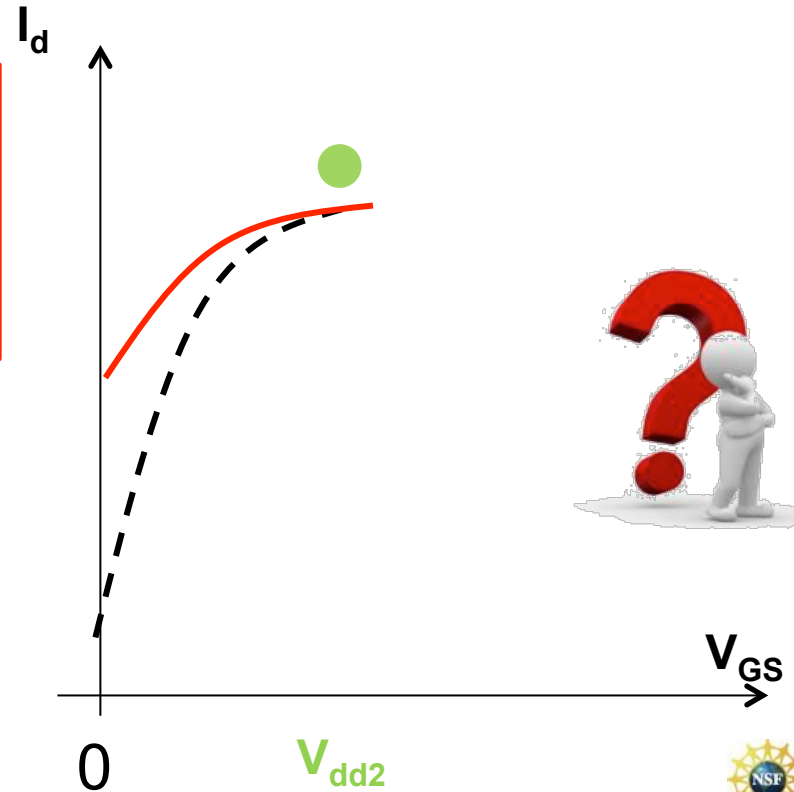
Eg



Lattice mismatch degrades the performance of the heterojunction TFETs

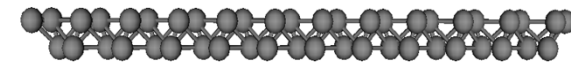
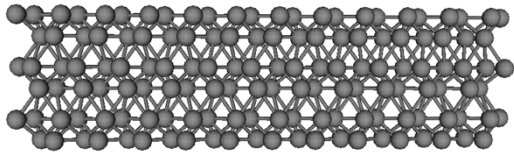


Lattice Mismatch prevents from achieving high quality interface

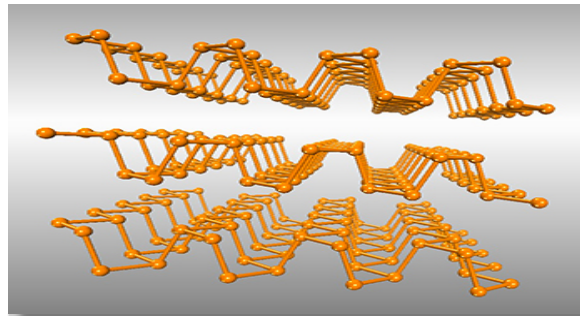


$$\downarrow \downarrow \text{ON} \uparrow \rightarrow \text{Trans} \uparrow \rightarrow \lambda \downarrow \rightarrow t \downarrow \text{ch} \downarrow$$

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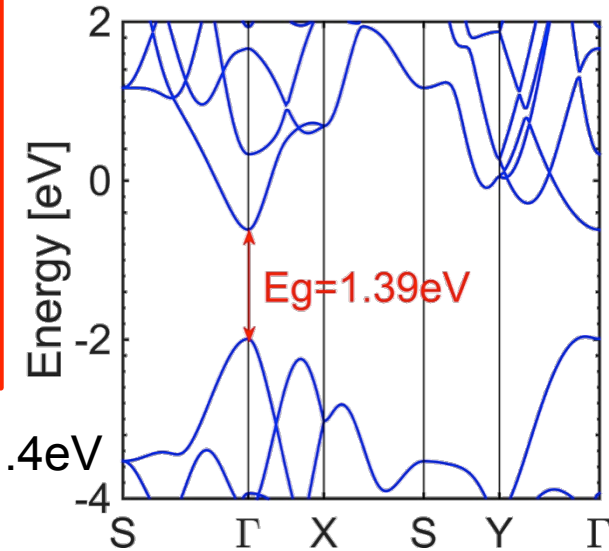
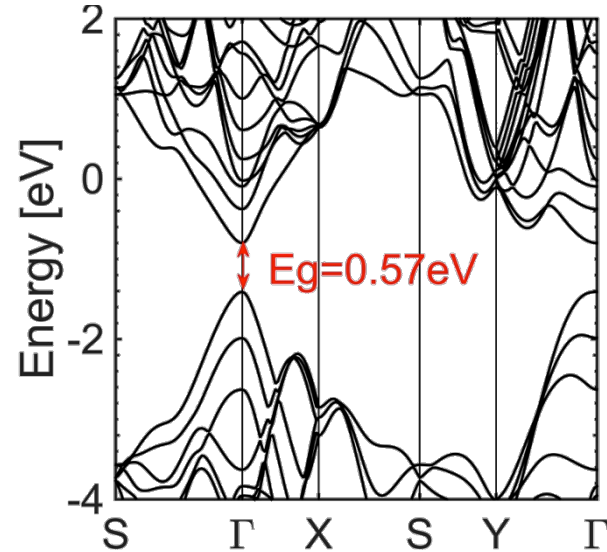


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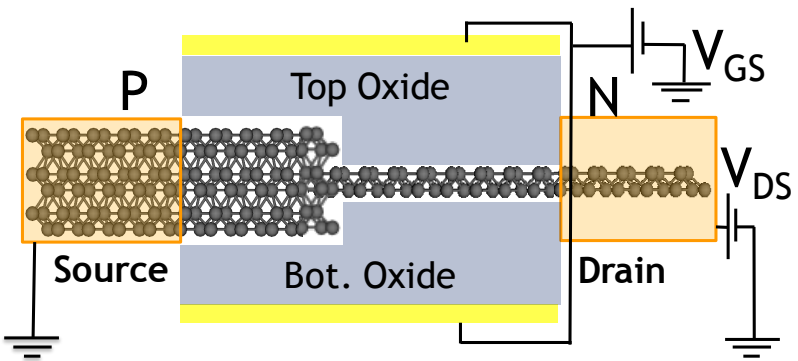


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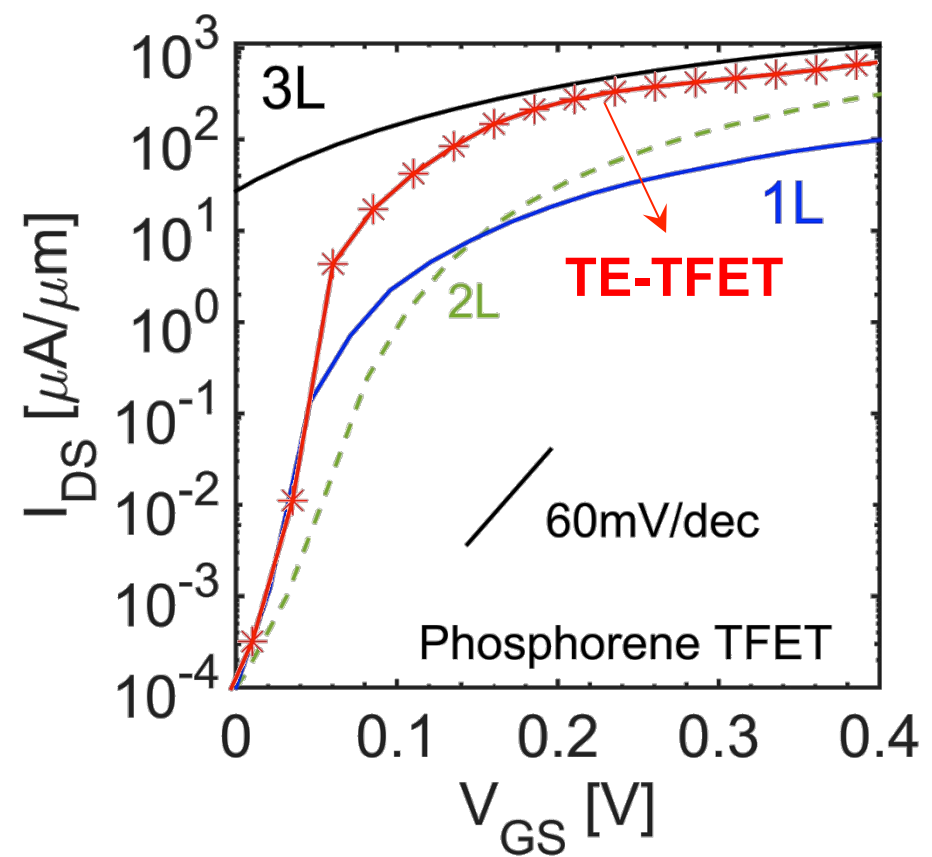
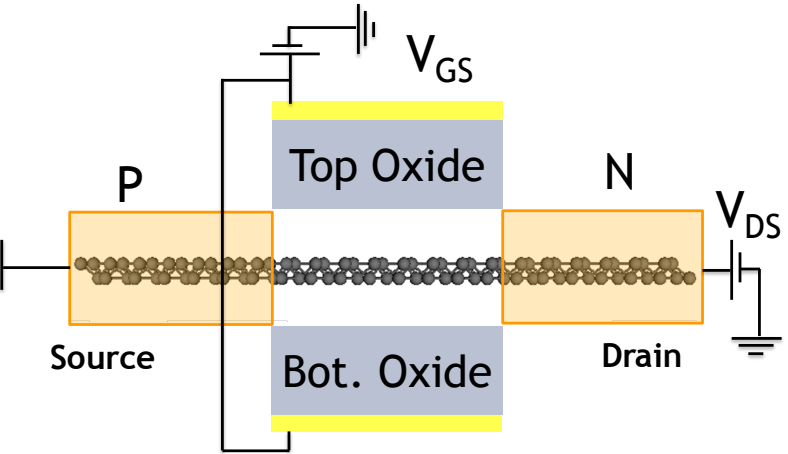
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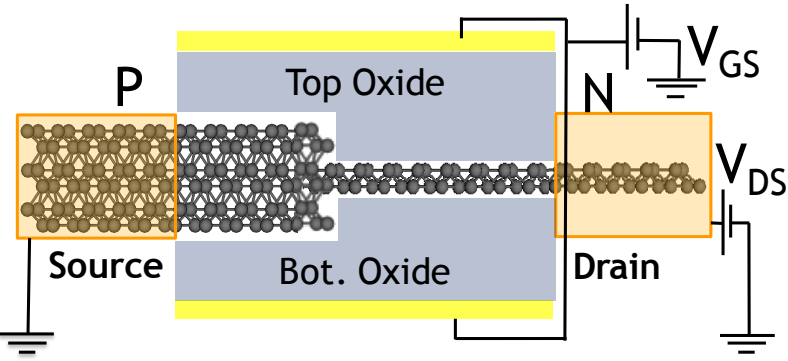
Using thickness dependent E_g to create an heterojunction TFET



Thickness Engineered TFET →
TE-TFET

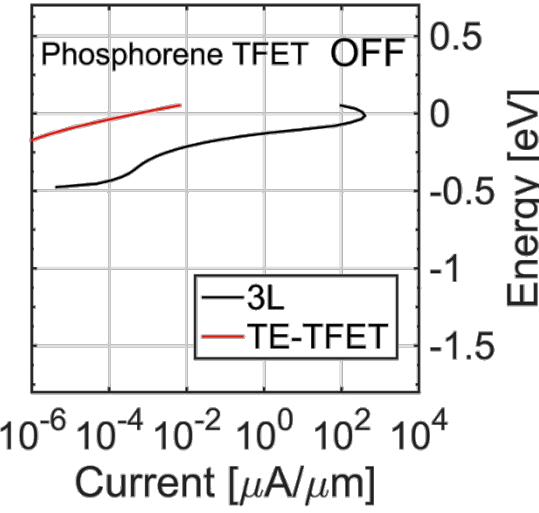
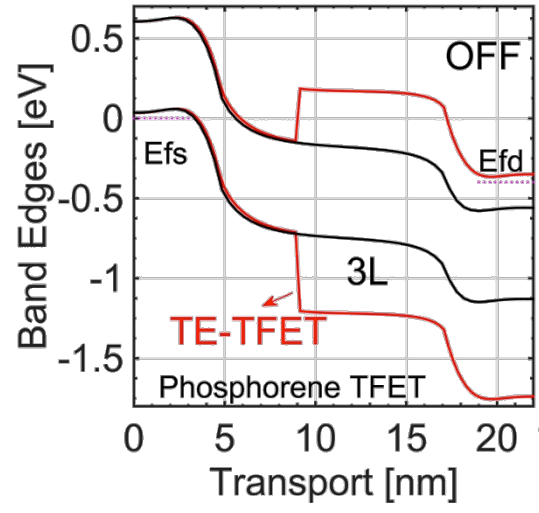
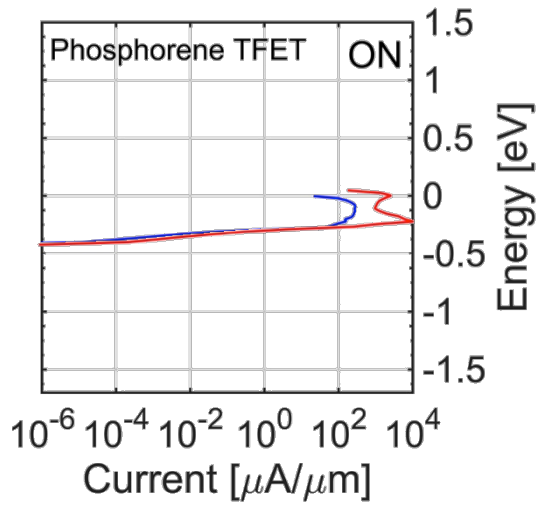
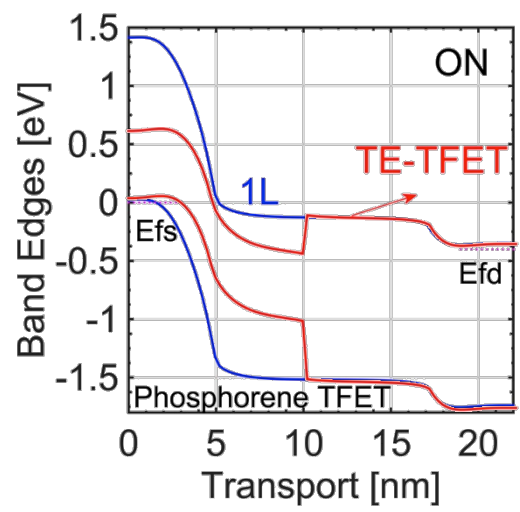


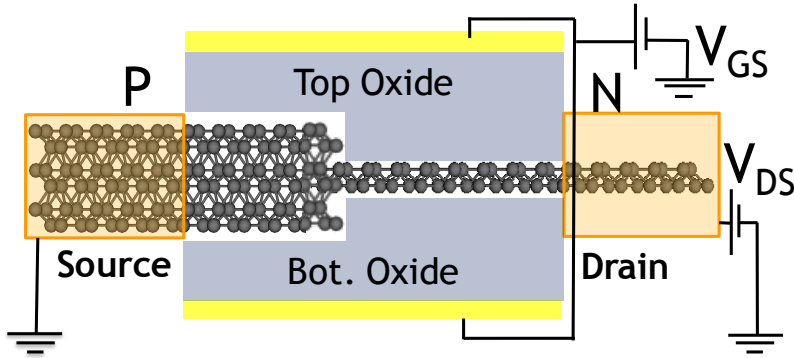
TE-TFET has a better ON, SS compared to homo-junction



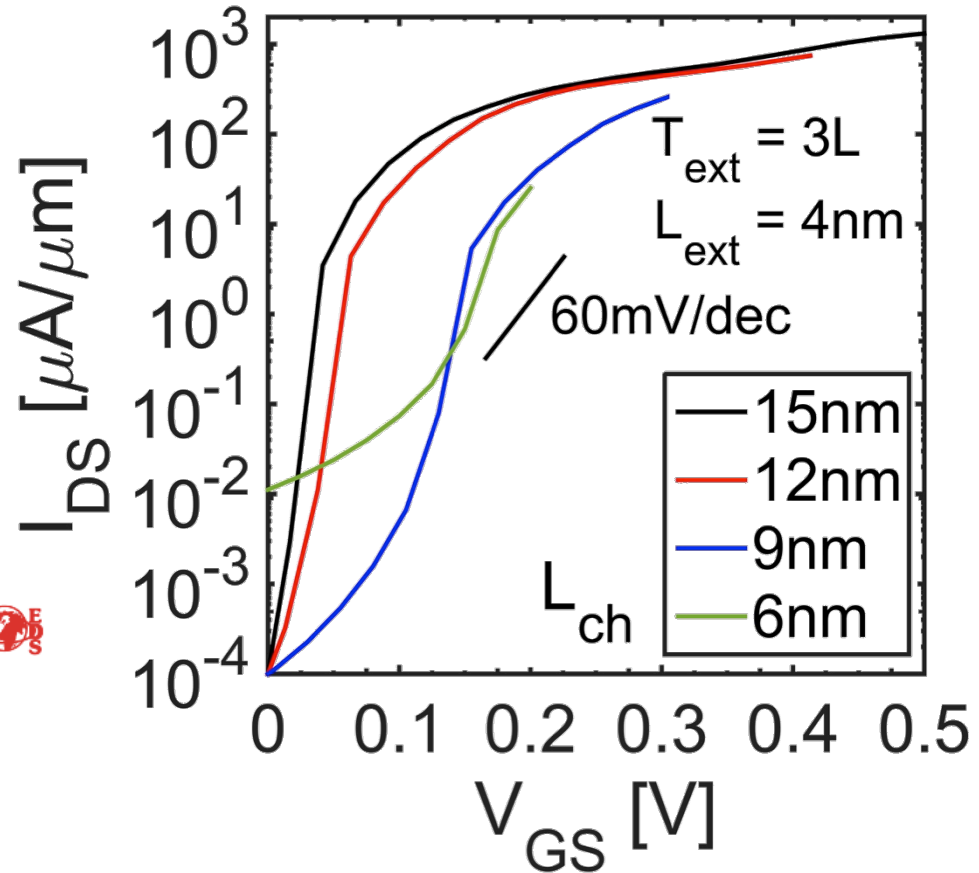
Thickness Engineered TFET →
TE-TFET

- ON: small tunnel distance
- OFF: Large tunnel Barrier





Thickness Engineered TFET →
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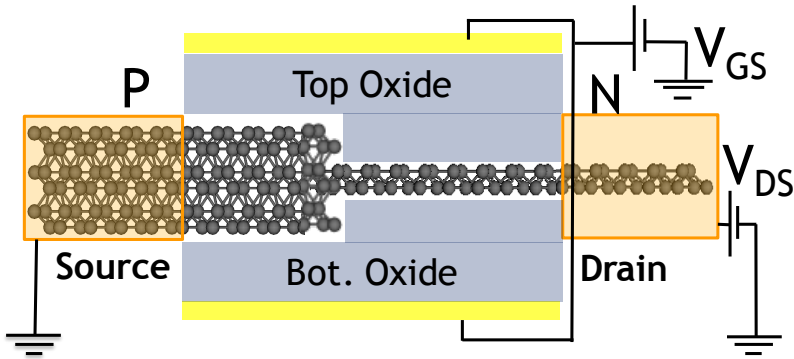
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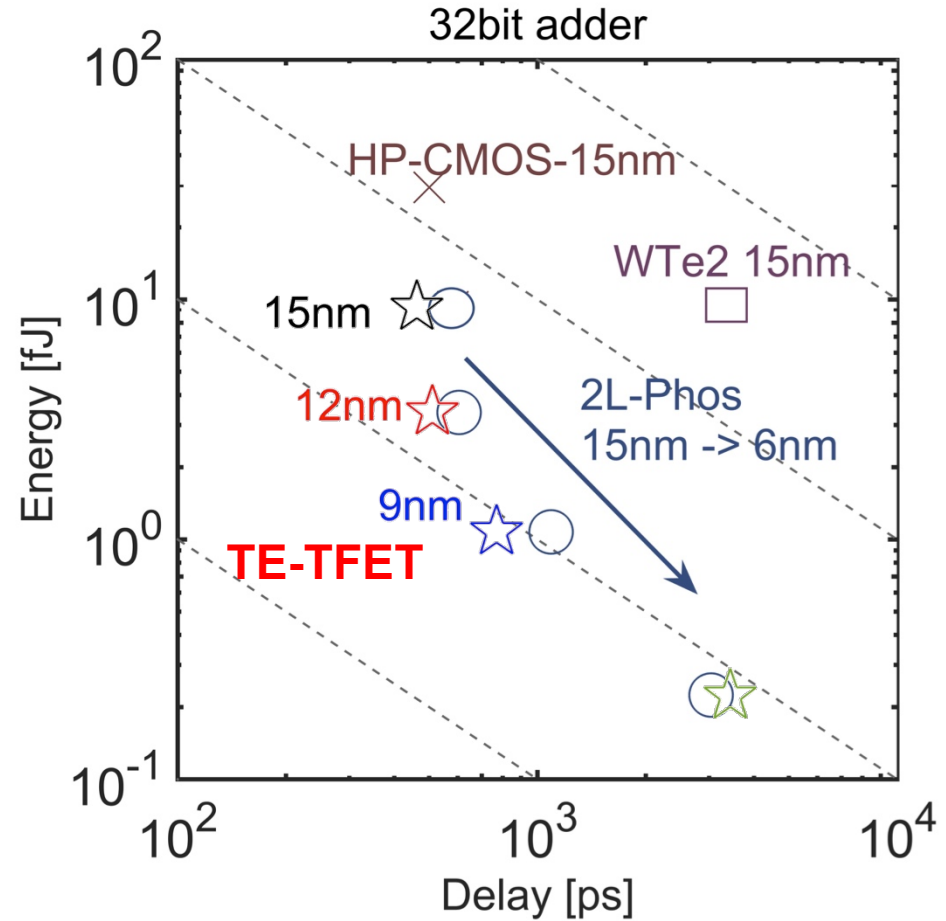
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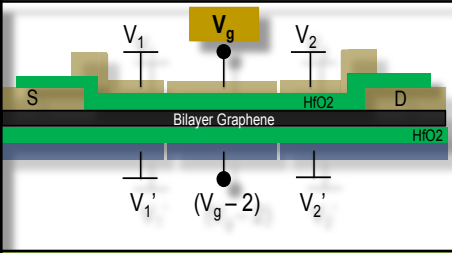
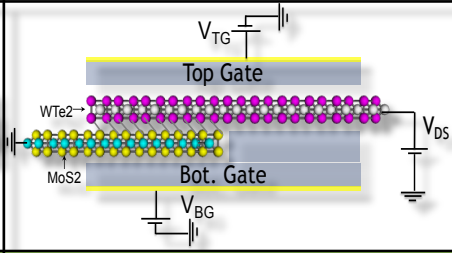
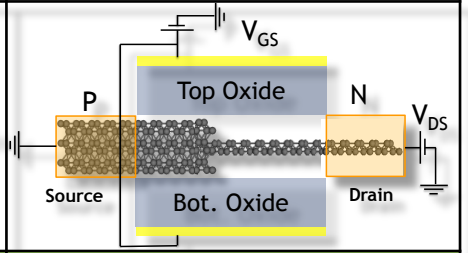
A scalability to 9nm channel length with constant field scaling



Thickness Engineered TFET →
TE-TFET



Energy-Delay not much improvement compared to homo-junction BP TFET

Device			
VDD (V)	0.1	0.3	0.4
ION (uA/um)	100	1000	1000
SS (mV/dec)	8	10	15
Energy Delay Product	Energy ↓ Delay ↓	Energy ↓ Delay ↑	Energy ↓ Delay ↓
Scalability	90nm	15nm	9nm
Comments	Difficult Gate Alignment	Device Switching Mechanism	Not much improved than homo BP, Difficult to fabricate

Motivation

- Power Dissipation Limit \rightarrow TFET \rightarrow Low ON \rightarrow 2D

Method

- Open Boundary, Self-consistent and ballistic Calculation

Bilayer Graphene

- Pro: Low Power, Low Energy, Small Delay
- Con: too large to footprint, difficult gates aligning

Interlayer TFETs

- Gr/hBN/Gr Matching Experiments \rightarrow Validates Model
- MoS₂-WTe₂ interlayer TFET \rightarrow Low Energy, Large Delay
Different Switching Mechanism

Black Phosphorous

- Pro: Scale down to 9nm, Low Energy, Small Delay
- Con: Not much improvement compared to homo BP TFET, but more difficult to fabricate

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Thank you for your attention

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