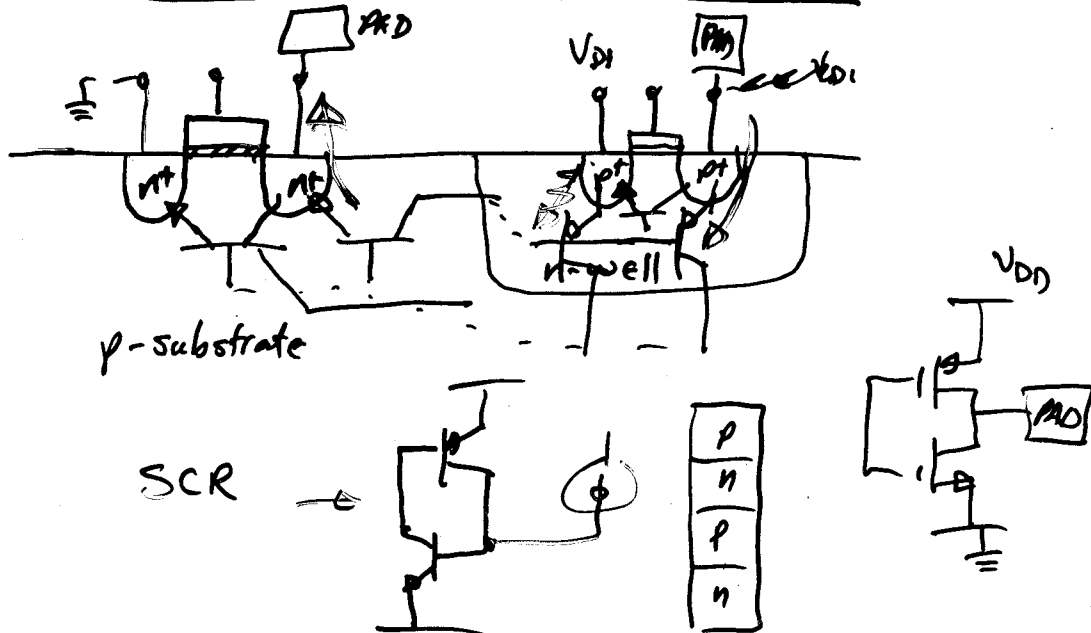


3rd Exam is 4/22

Prob. session scheduled for 4/21 at 7pm.

Industrial Perspective of CMOS Technology



CHAPTER 10- INTERCONNECT DESIGN

Interconnects dominate the physical aspects of modern digital integrated circuits.

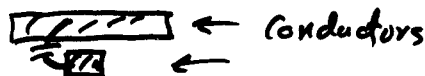
Parasitics:

1.) Series (bulk) resistance

Al: $\rho = 2.7 \mu\Omega \cdot \text{cm}$

Cu: $\rho = 1.7 \mu\Omega \cdot \text{cm}$

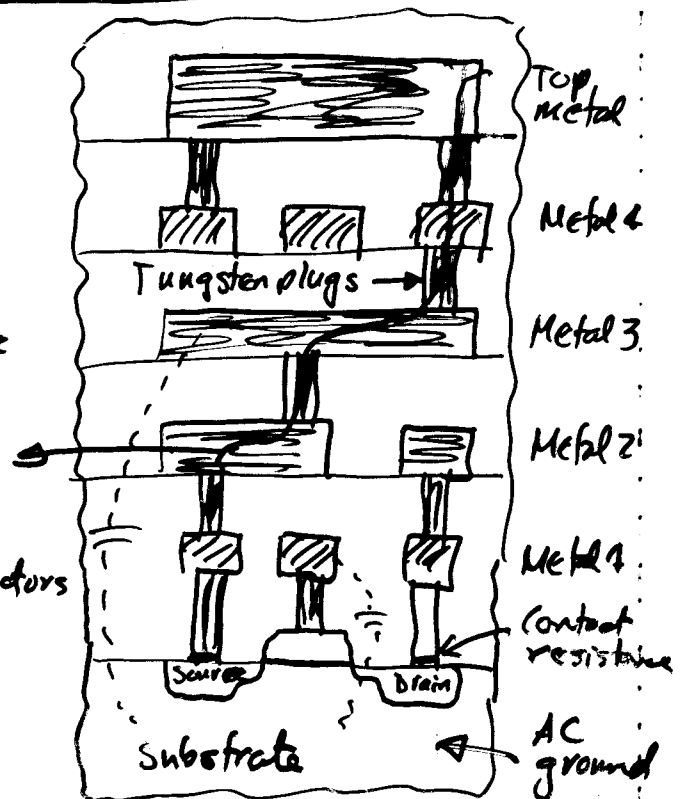
2.) Capacitance



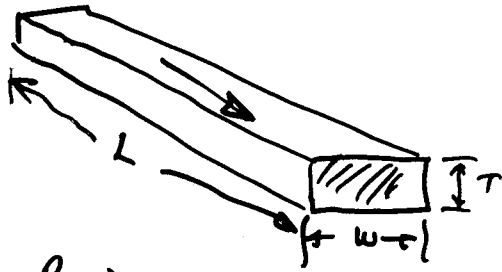
$C \approx 0.1 - 0.2 \text{ fF}/\mu\text{m}$

3.) Inductance

$L \approx 0.45 \text{ pH}/\mu\text{m}$



Wire Resistance

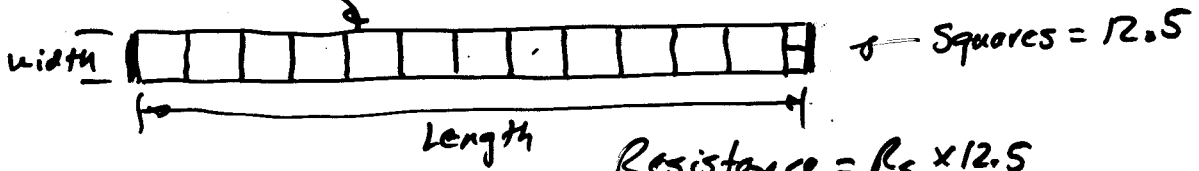


$$R = \frac{\rho L}{A} = \frac{\rho L}{wT} = \left(\frac{\rho}{T}\right) \frac{L}{w}$$

$$= R_s \frac{L}{w}$$

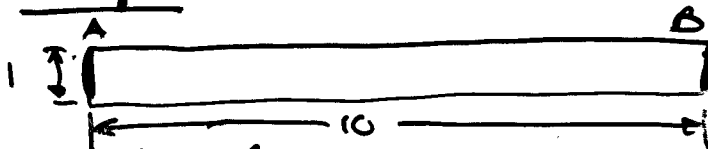
$R_s = \text{sheet resistance } (\Omega/\text{sq.})$

R_s is known



	Lower metal	Top metal
Aluminum	$R_s = 54 \text{ m}\Omega/\square$	$R_s = 27 \text{ m}\Omega/\square$
Copper	$R_s = 42 \text{ m}\Omega/\square$	$R_s = 21 \text{ m}\Omega/\square$

Example



If $R_s = 54 \text{ m}\Omega/\square$
find the resistance

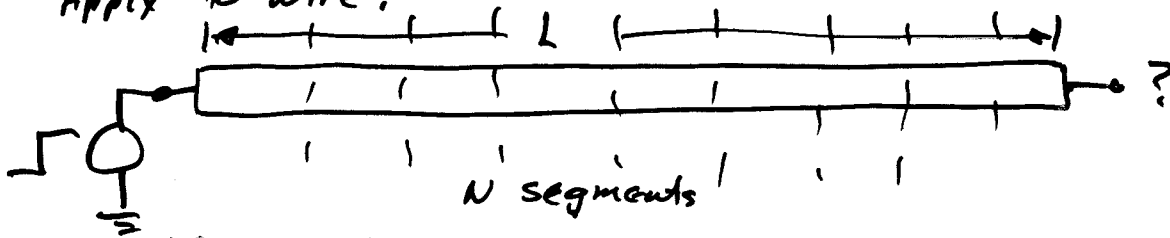
$$R_{AB} = 0.54 \Omega$$

$$R_{AB} = 7 \cdot R_s + 2 \cdot \frac{R_s}{2} = 8 R_s$$

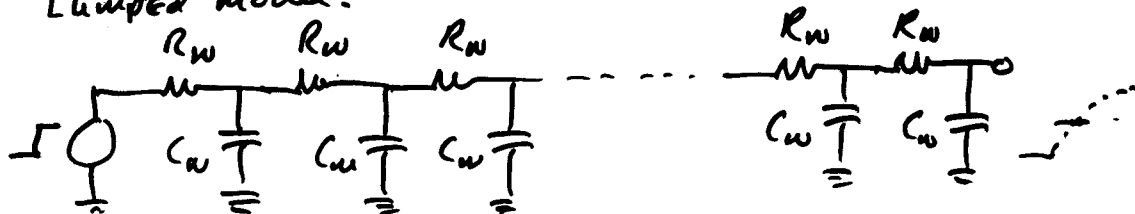
If $R_s = 21 \text{ m}\Omega/\square$, then $R_{AB} = 0.168 \Omega$

Elmore Delay Calculation

Apply to wire:



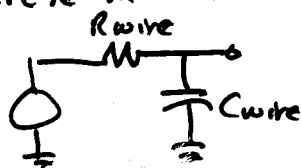
Lumped model:



$$R_{\text{wire}} = N \cdot R_w$$

$$C_{\text{wire}} = N \cdot C_w$$

Discrete model -



Find R_{wire} & C_{wire} for 1mm length of 0.18um metal that is 0.9um wide, $R_s = 54 \text{ m}\Omega/\square$ and $C_{\text{int}} = 0.2 \text{ fF}/\mu\text{m}$

$$C_{\text{wire}} = 1000 \mu\text{m} \times 0.2 \text{ fF}/\mu\text{m} = 200 \text{ fF}$$

$$R_{\text{wire}} = 0.054 \Omega \times \frac{1000}{0.9} = 135 \Omega$$

$$\therefore \tau_{\text{lumped discrete}} = R_{\text{wire}} C_{\text{wire}} = 27 \text{ ps}$$

(Actual delay $\approx 10 \text{ ps}$)

Elmore Delay -

$$\tau_i = \sum_k (C_k R_{ik})$$

 i = node of interest C_k = capacitance (to ground) at node k R_{ik} = sum of all resistors in common from node i to node k