

2D Electronics with Transition Metal Dichalcogenides : Progress and Prospect

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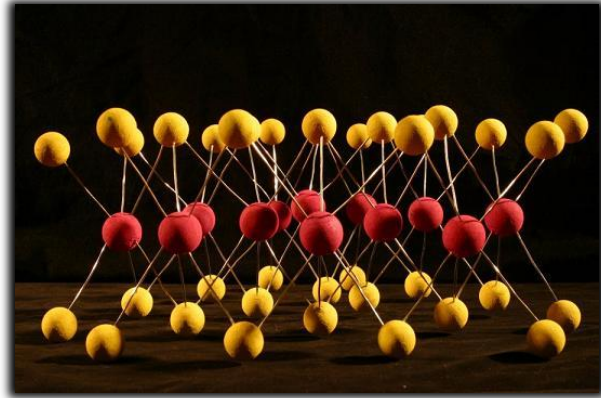
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Transition Metal Dichalcogenides



88 TMDs have been explored since 1960s

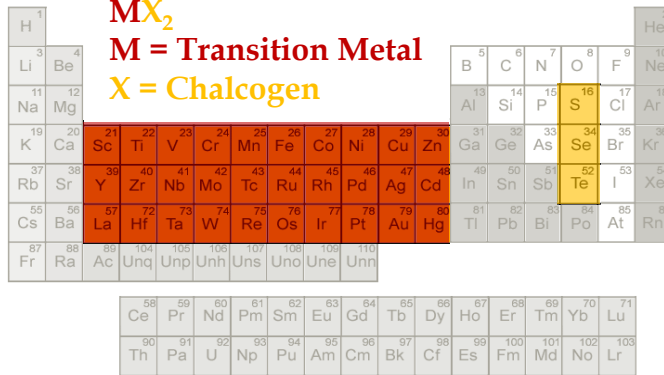
Metals: ScTe_2 , TaS_2 , etc.

Semiconductors: WSe_2 , MoS_2 , etc.

Insulators: PtSe_2 , PdS_2 , etc.

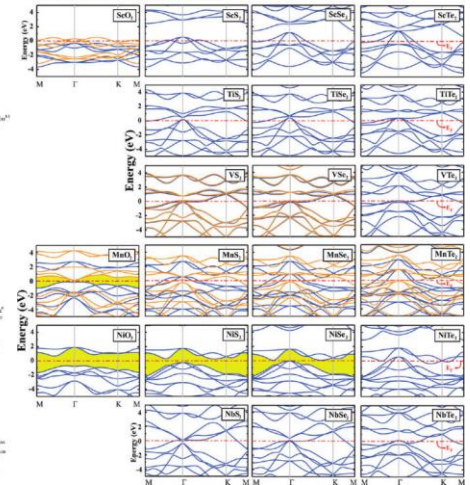
Superconductors: VS_2 , NbSe_2 , etc.

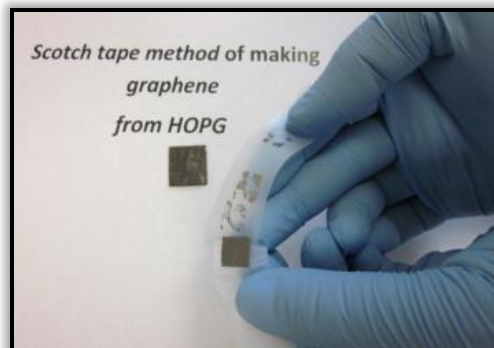
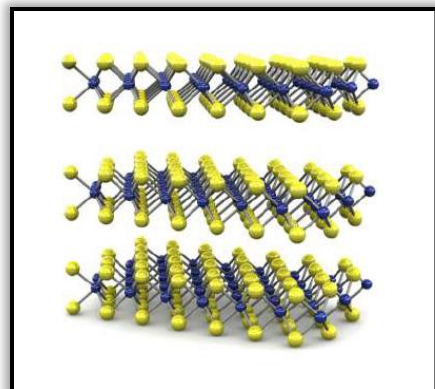
Periodic Table of Elements



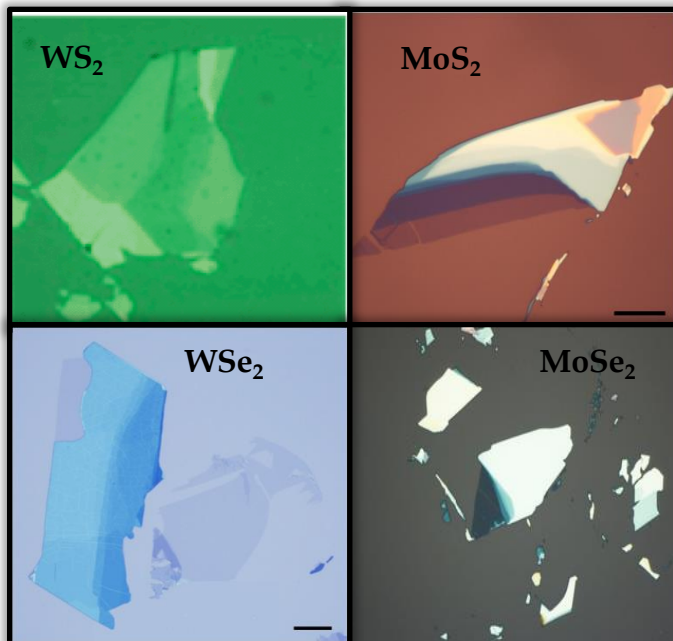
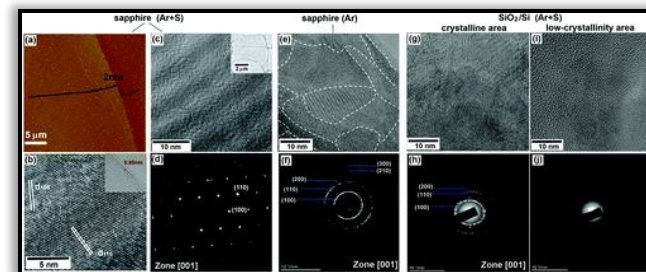
type	ρ (g/cm ³)	α (K ⁻¹)	α_p (K ⁻¹)	β (kg)	E_f (eV)	E_g (eV)	E_g^{ind} (eV)	μ (eV)	μ_p (eV)	μ_{inh} (eV)	μ_{inh} (eV)	C (J/K-mol)	SI bulk structure
Sc ₂ S ₃	4.16	2.09	2.88	16.30	20.35	7.51 (11.22)	1.05	-	1.00	1.90	-0.05	76.33	-
T	3.32	2.07	2.61	70.01	20.55	6.01 (11.43)	M	-	1.00	1.96	-0.06	160.07	-
Sc ₂ S ₅	4.70	2.52	2.69	64.82	18.31	3.54 (6.73)	0.44	-	1.00	1.64	-0.62	44.61	-
T	3.62	2.50	3.44	47.05	16.48	3.71 (6.80)	M	-	1.04	1.62	-0.61	29.89	-
Sc ₂ Se ₃	4.84	2.65	2.90	66.30	15.12	5.33 (6.30)	0.37	-	1.00	1.50	-0.79	30.09	-
T	2.52	2.64	3.98	66.42	15.82	3.54 (6.60)	M	-	1.04	1.44	-0.72	18.67	-
Sc ₂ Te ₃	3.62	2.69	3.08	87.17	13.67	2.25 (3.30)	M	-	1.04	1.34	-0.67	36.28	-
T	3.72	2.85	4.33	98.58	14.05	2.65 (3.77)	M	-	1.04	1.33	-0.67	15.49	-
Ti ₂ S	3.32	2.39	3.42	91.73	18.36	1.97 (7.83)	M	-	1.04	1.60	-0.40	76.33	1T ¹²
Ti ₂ Se	2.61	2.51	3.68	94.04	16.02	1.42 (7.33)	M	-	1.04	1.50	-0.70	63.02	1T ¹²
Ti ₂ Te	3.62	2.73	3.57	81.09	14.76	1.72 (5.53)	M	-	1.04	1.16	-0.30	8.30	1T ¹²
T	3.64	3.73	4.06	96.30	15.10	2.06 (3.87)	M	-	1.04	1.18	-0.39	41.61	-
V ₂ S	4.70	1.93	2.24	71.34	21.64	3.20 (11.13)	M	-	0.52	1.79	-0.00	171.94	P6 ₃ /m ² cm ² /R3c
V ₂ Se	3.00	2.31	2.95	79.14	17.47	2.79 (6.40)	M	-	0.10	1.18	-0.49	100.43	1T ¹²
V ₂ Te	3.24	2.45	3.17	104.89	15.97	2.17 (5.74)	M	-	0.66	1.05	-0.51	82.00	1T ¹²
T	3.24	2.44	3.60	97.04	15.09	2.20 (5.70)	M	-	0.15	1.08	-0.54	80.24	-
VTi ₃ S	3.40	2.66	3.48	81.90	14.17	0.83 (4.40)	M	-	0.45	0.80	-0.40	49.64	1T ¹²
T	3.46	2.64	4.00	99.33	14.24	0.90 (4.53)	M	-	1.04	0.85	-0.42	34.43	-
Cr ₂ S	5.28	1.88	2.29	73.21	19.55	4.25 (10.23)	0.50	1.00	1.04	-0.77	220.94	2T ¹²	
Cr ₂ Se	2.97	2.23	2.92	80.06	15.89	3.35 (6.89)	1.07	1.04	1.04	-0.40	120.60	1T ¹²	
Cr ₂ Te	3.13	2.38	3.11	81.54	14.32	1.65 (3.30)	0.86	1.51	1.04	0.77	-0.38	104.18	1T ¹²
CrTi ₃ S	3.39	2.58	3.38	81.56	12.52	0.32 (4.60)	0.60	1.12	1.04	0.66	-0.23	77.97	-
Mn ₂ S	5.83	1.87	2.22	72.70	17.71	4.57 (9.39)	M	-	0.60	1.31	-0.45	134.07	R $\bar{3}$ c
T	2.82	1.88	2.80	110.07	14.83	3.28 (10.03)	0.28	-	1.00	1.04	-0.02	137.13	-
Mn ₂ Se	3.12	2.27	3.29	85.08	14.82	1.43 (4.30)	M	-	2.38	0.92	-0.40	66.87	P6 ₃ /m ² cm ²
Mn ₂ Te	3.27	2.39	3.69	93.78	13.61	1.61 (3.77)	M	-	2.35	0.76	-0.37	56.63	P6 ₃ /m ² cm ²
MoTe ₂	3.54	2.59	3.77	93.56	12.27	0.22 (4.97)	M	-	2.39	0.41	-0.20	44.77	P6 ₃ /m ² cm ²
Pb ₂ S	3.62	1.88	2.24	73.08	17.37	3.25 (7.89)	M	-	1.82	1.38	-0.49	133.99	M $\bar{3}$
Pb ₂ Se	3.06	2.22	2.68	74.20	15.50	1.14 (5.52)	M	-	1.12	0.37	-0.29	95.20	P6 ₃ /m ² cm ² /M $\bar{3}$
Pb ₂ Te	3.22	2.58	2.87	78.06	14.01	1.45 (5.73)	M	-	1.18	0.42	-0.21	49.89	P6 ₃ /m ² cm ² /M $\bar{3}$
PbTi ₃ S	3.44	2.33	3.08	74.04	13.21	0.19 (3.53)	M	-	1.08	0.06	-0.01	37.72	M $\bar{3}$
Cr ₂ Te	3.52	2.51	2.96	72.16	13.44	0.29 (4.67)	M	-	1.08	-0.19	0.30	56.13	M $\bar{3}$
Nb ₂ S	2.77	1.84	2.44	82.53	16.76	3.10 (7.23)	1.38	-	1.04	1.54	-0.67	166.64	1T ¹²
Nb ₂ Se	3.40	2.24	2.14	27.16	14.35	0.45 (4.23)	M	-	1.04	0.42	-0.21	35.21	P6 ₃ /m ² cm ²
T	3.28	2.12	2.97	16.46	14.91	1.00 (4.77)	0.51	-	1.04	0.49	-0.24	86.23	-
Nb ₂ Te	3.53	2.35	2.73	79.29	13.49	0.47 (4.13)	M	-	1.04	0.25	-0.12	33.62	P6 ₃ /m ² cm ²
T	3.46	2.34	3.15	84.59	13.97	0.95 (4.63)	0.38	-	1.04	0.27	-0.13	45.73	-
NbTi ₃ S	3.59	2.54	2.95	70.55	12.82	0.64 (4.49)	M	-	1.04	-0.12	0.06	41.60	1T ¹²
T	3.64	2.52	3.47	87.33	13.19	0.63 (4.37)	M	-	1.04	-0.12	0.06	41.65	-
Nb ₂ Te	3.30	2.45	3.62	92.25	19.64	3.17 (6.37)	M	-	1.04	1.52	-0.76	96.60	1T ¹² /2H ¹²
T	3.39	2.57	3.87	97.48	18.13	3.16 (4.46)	M	-	1.04	1.27	-0.44	79.47	2H ¹² /1T ¹²
Nb ₂ Te	3.40	2.57	3.31	80.68	18.33	2.05 (5.74)	M	-	1.04	1.23	-0.46	87.24	1T ¹²
T	3.56	2.77	4.24	80.08	16.38	1.26 (4.43)	M	-	1.04	0.41	-0.41	44.48	1T ¹²
Mo ₂ S	4.78	2.00	2.42	73.92	22.65	4.79 (10.63)	0.47	2.42	1.04	-0.92	223.83	R $\bar{3}$	

BANDS: T-STRUCTURE





Large Scale Growth



Physical Vapor
Deposition

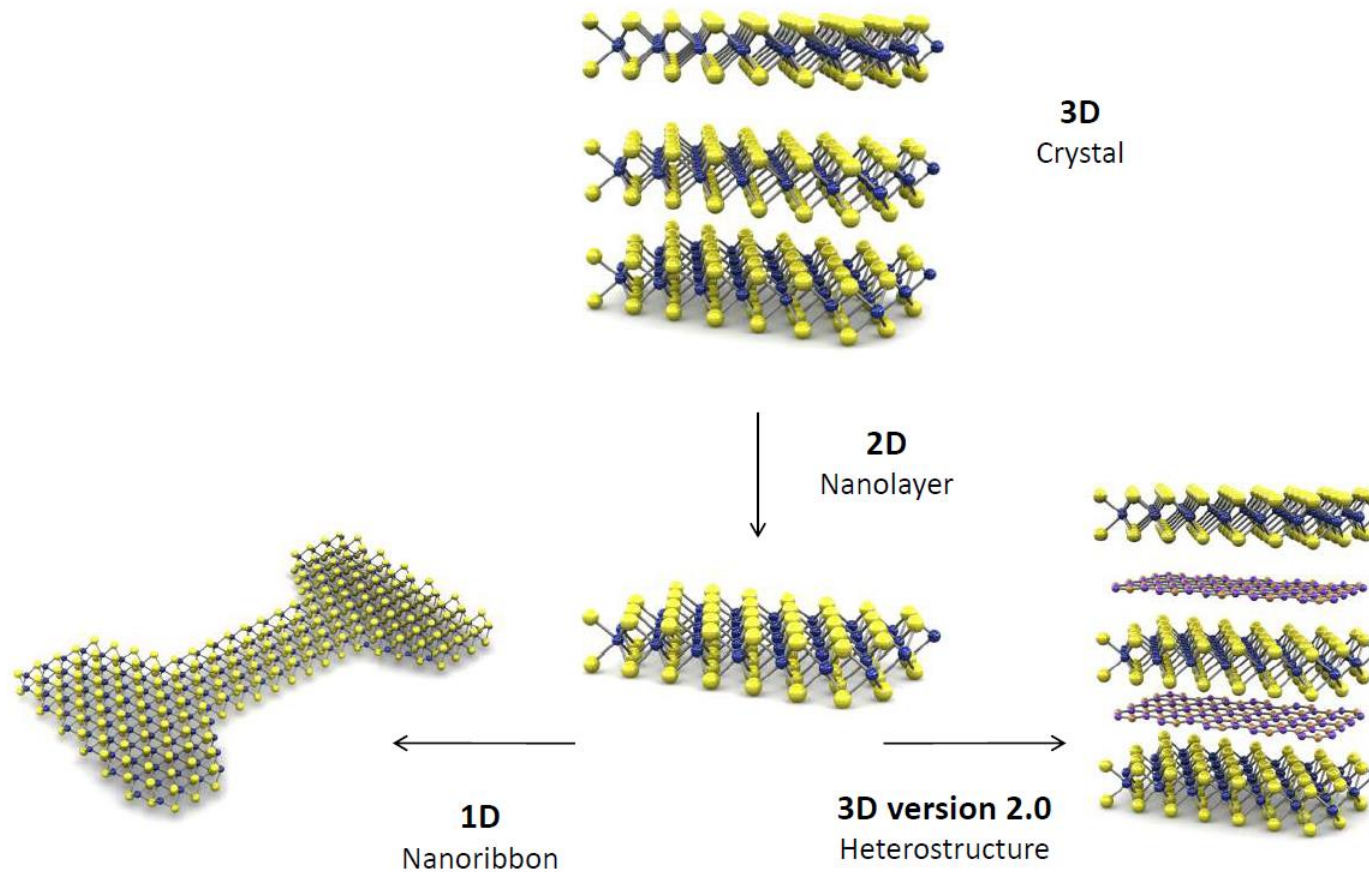
Hydrothermal
Synthesis

Electrochemical
Synthesis

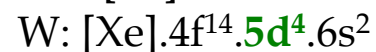
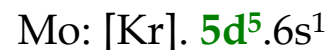
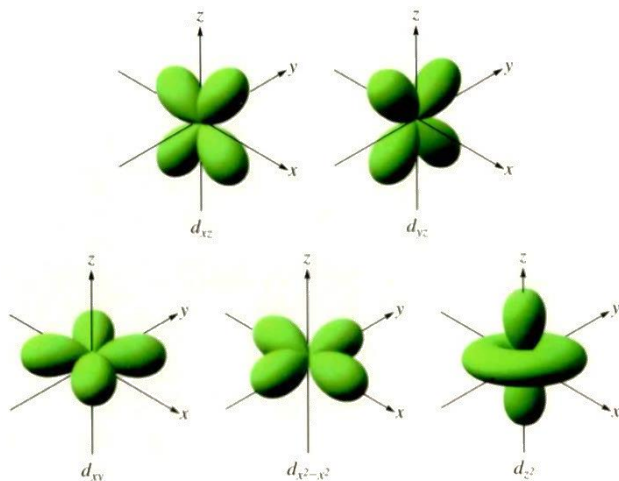
Liu, K. et al. Nano Letters, 12, 2012

Patel, P. R., et al. J.Adv.Dev.Res. 3, 2012

Layered Compounds



The d-orbital electronics



For the first time we have **Semiconductors** with conduction electrons contributed by **d-orbital**

Periodic Table of Elements

MX_2
M = Transition Metal
X = Chalcogen

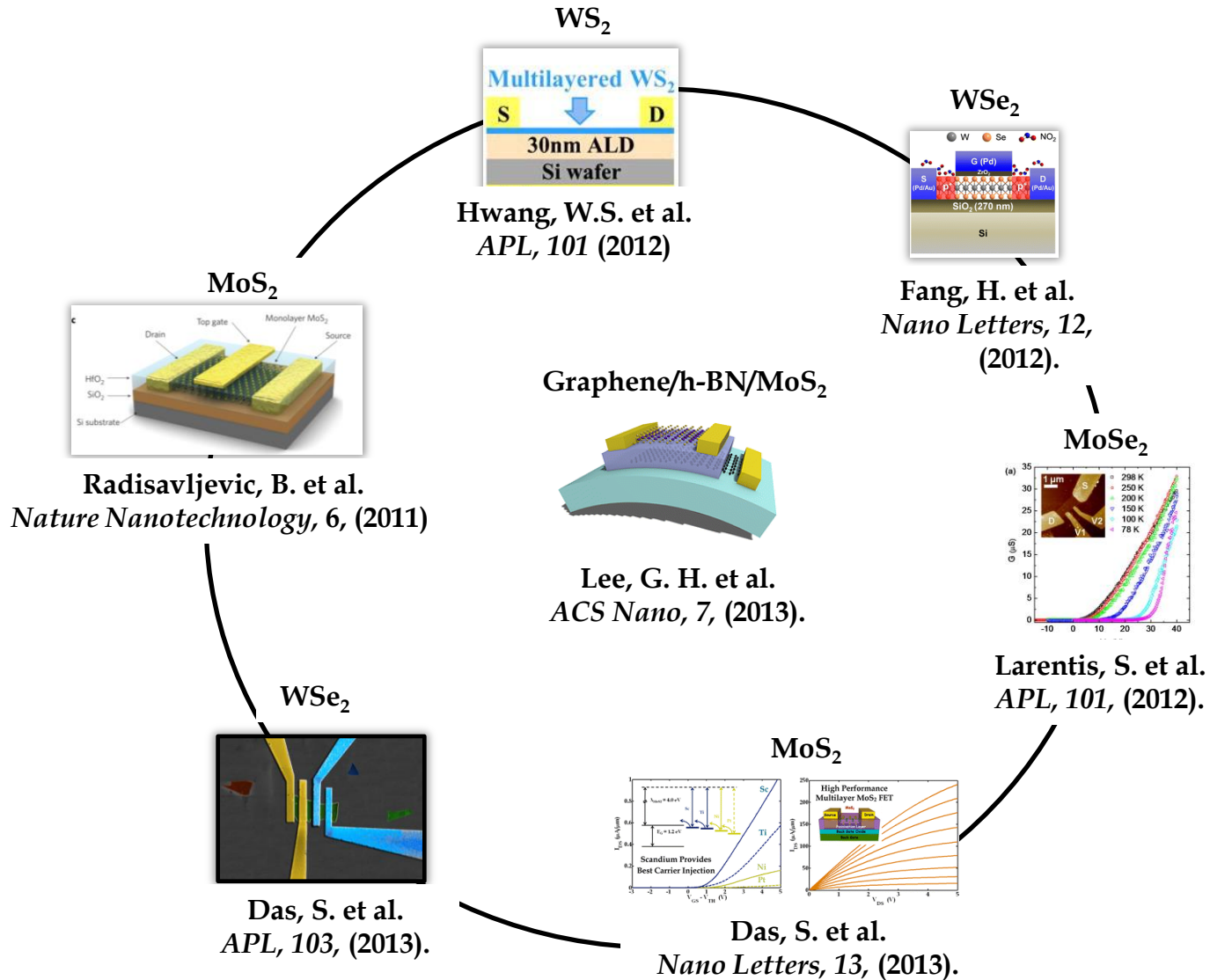
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55	56	57	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86
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		58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71		
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Significant Change in Band-structure due to :

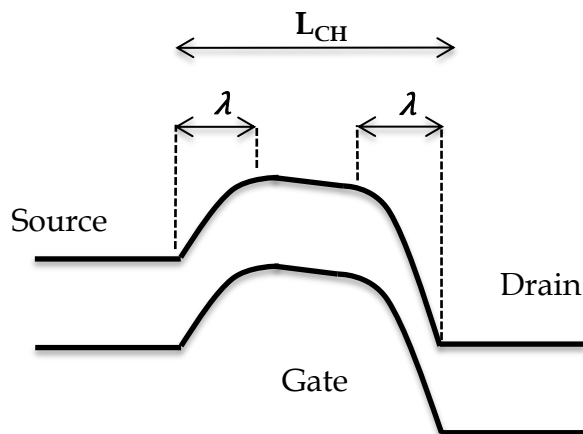
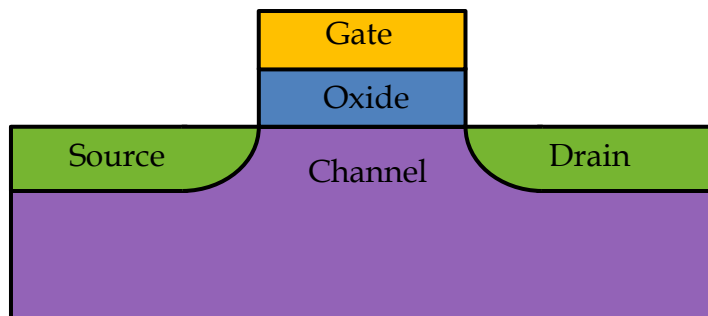
- ✓ Charge
- ✓ Strain
- ✓ Heat
- ✓ Light

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Transistors based on TMDs



Field Effect Transistor



Screening Length

$$\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{t_{OX}}{\epsilon_{OX}}} t_{BODY} \epsilon_{BODY}$$

$$L_{CH} > 3\lambda$$

Scaling oxide thickness

Increase in gate leakage current

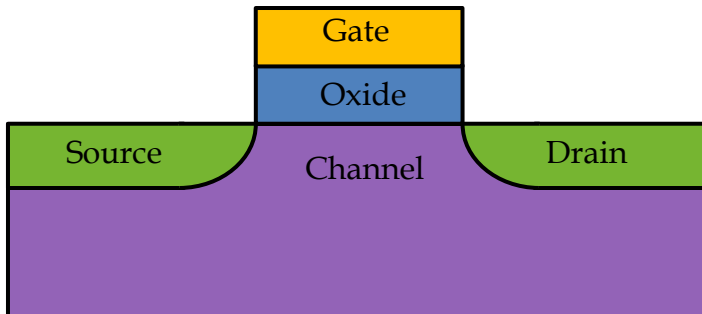
High-k gate oxide

Limited choice and complex integration

Scaling the body thickness

ON-state performance is impacted

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$$L_{CH} > 3\lambda$$

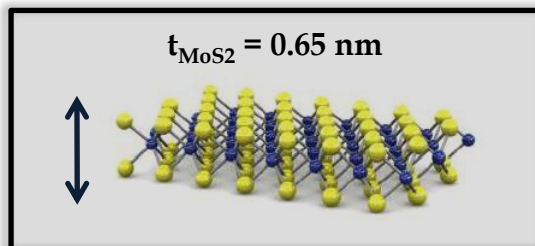
Alternative Channel (body) Materials

Ultra thin body

High mobility (diffusive) / High effective mass (ballistic)

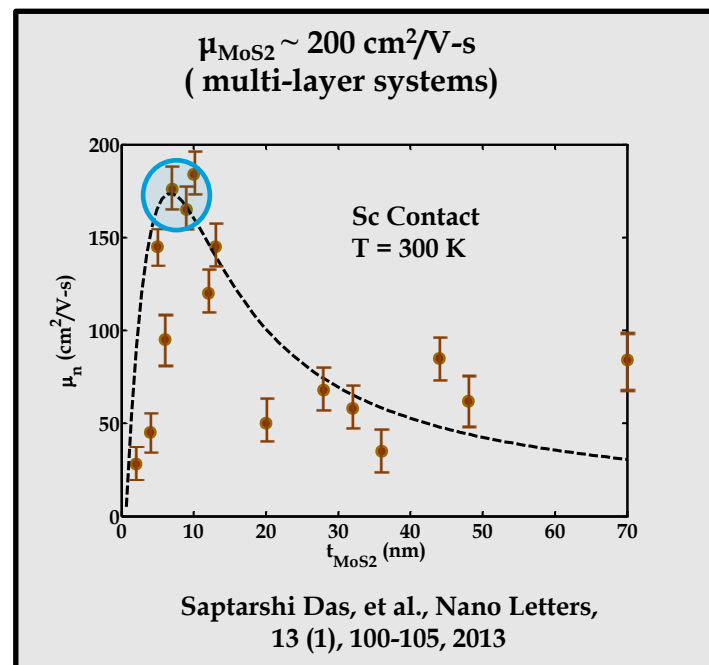
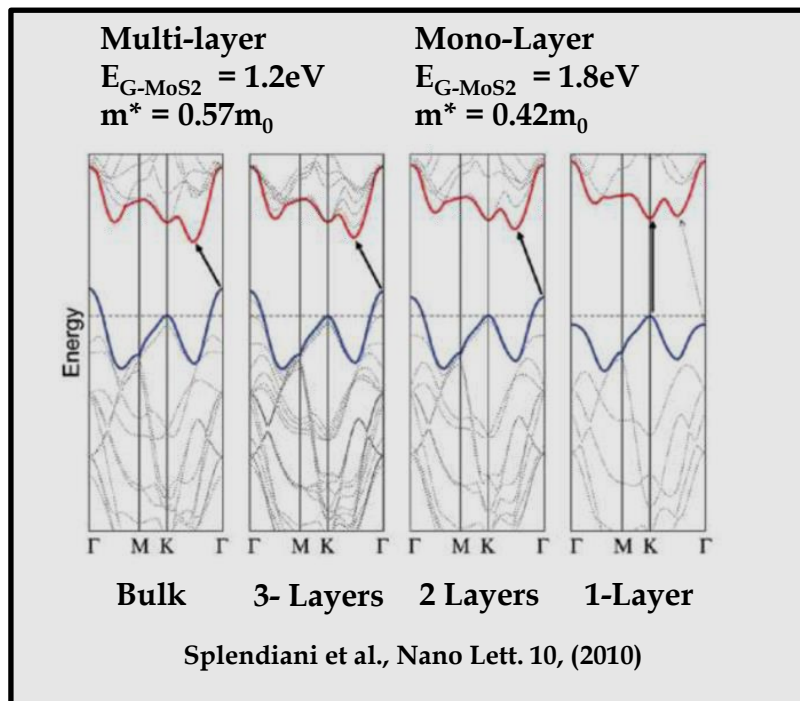
Small in-plane dielectric constant

Molybdenum Disulphide: MoS₂

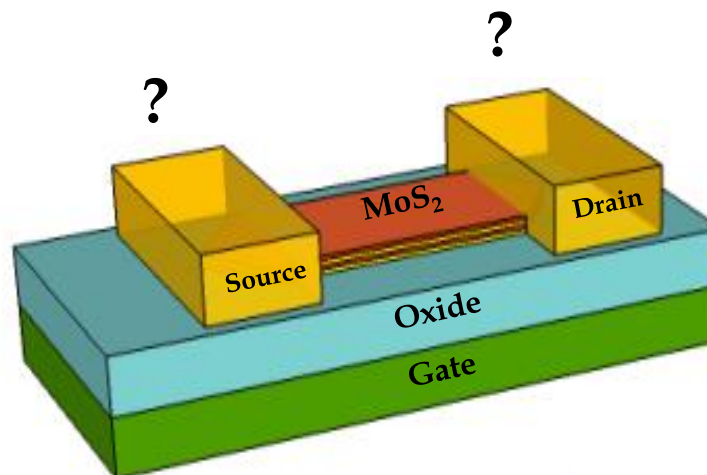


Kumar, A. et al., Physica B, 407, (2012)

MoS ₂	$\epsilon_{\text{BODY}}^{\perp}$	$\epsilon_{\text{BODY}}^{\parallel}$
Monolayer	4.8	3.0
Bilayer	6.9	4.4
6-layers	9.8	6.4
Bulk	12.8	8.9

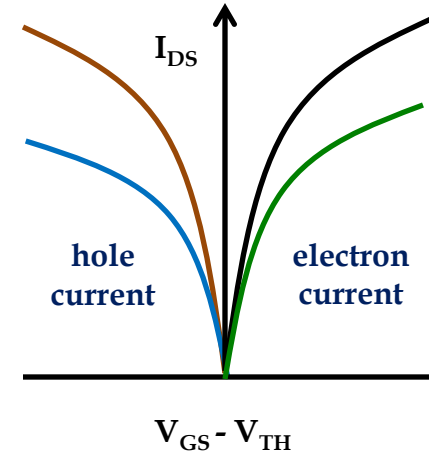
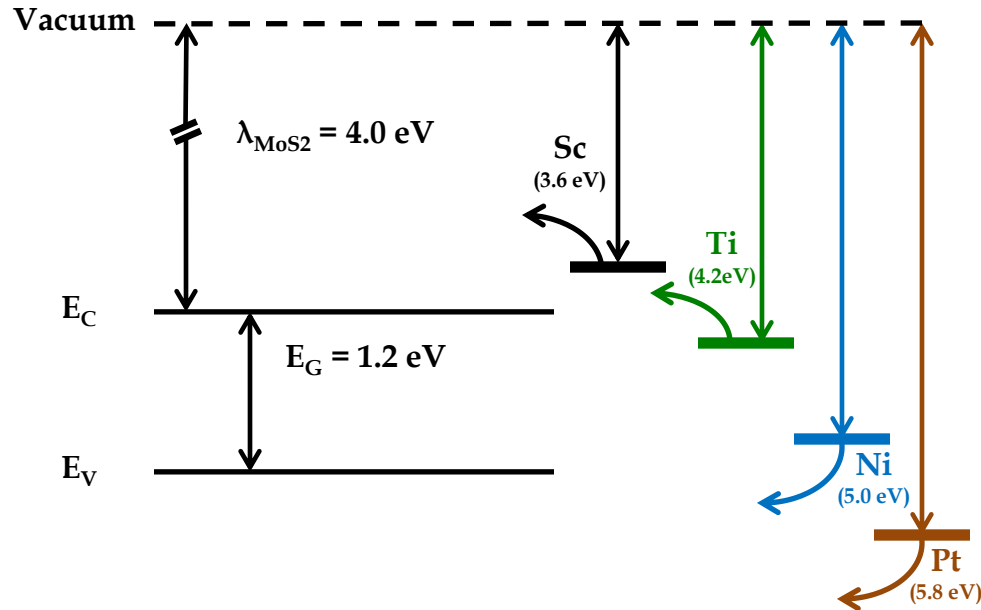
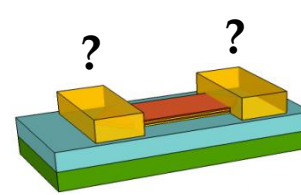


Transistor Optimization: Contact



$$\begin{aligned} R_{\text{TOTAL}} &= R_{\text{CONTACT}} + R_{\text{CHANNEL}} \\ &= R_{\text{CONTACT}} + R_0 L_{\text{CH}} \end{aligned}$$

Transistor Optimization: Contact



Ti : n-FET (Qiu et al.)

Ni : n-FET (Liu et al.)

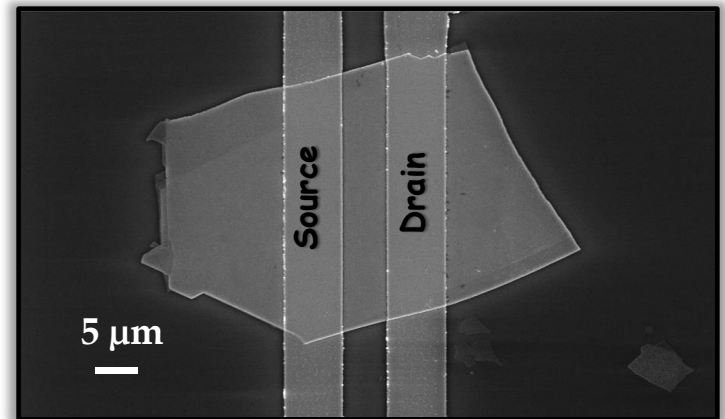
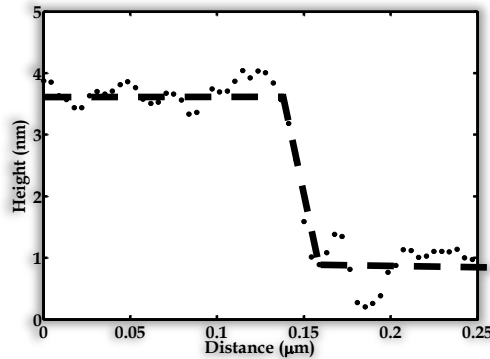
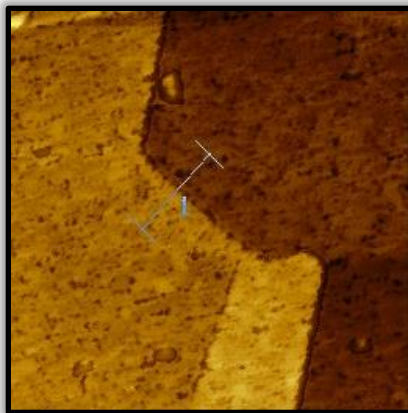
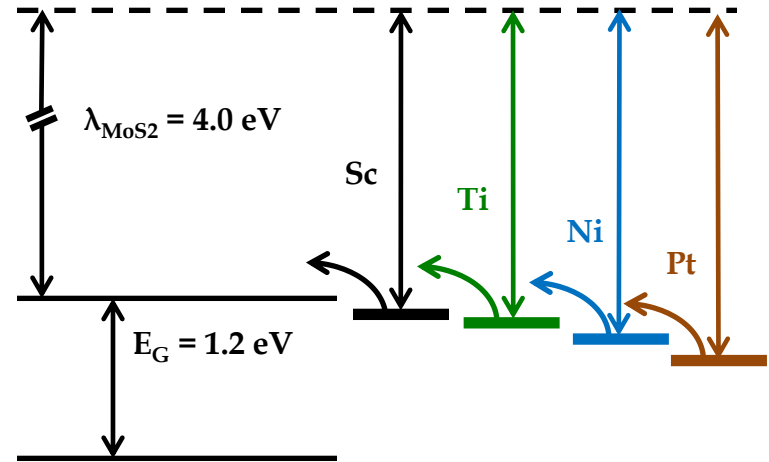
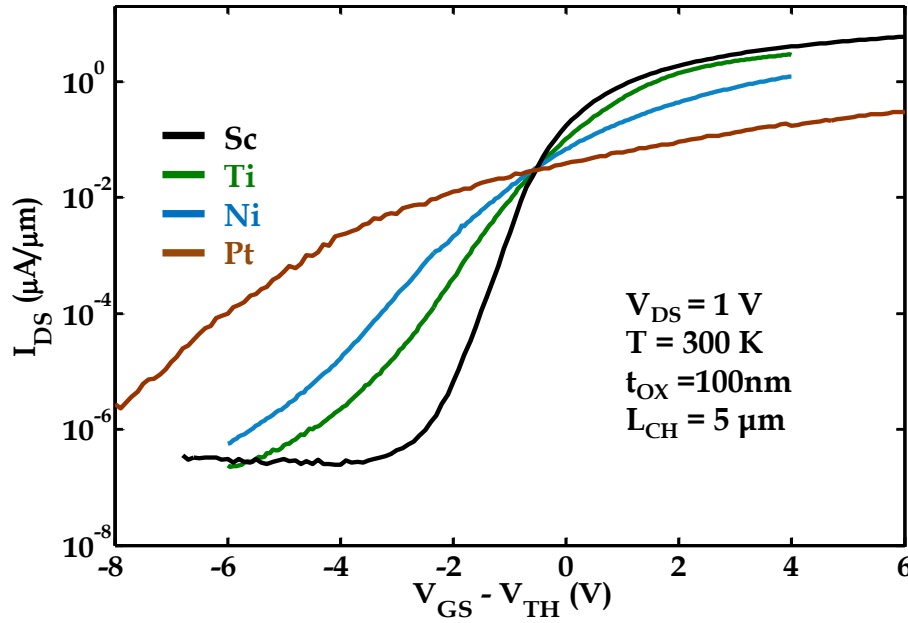
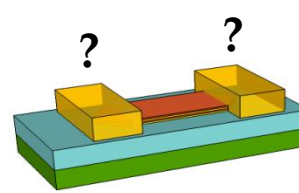
Au : n-FET (Radisavljevic et al.)

Pd : n-FET (Neal et al.)

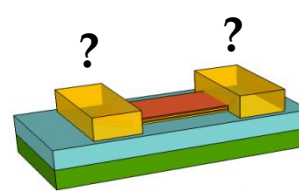
Ohmic Contact !!!!

No Fermi level pinning !!!

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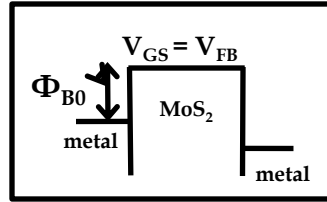


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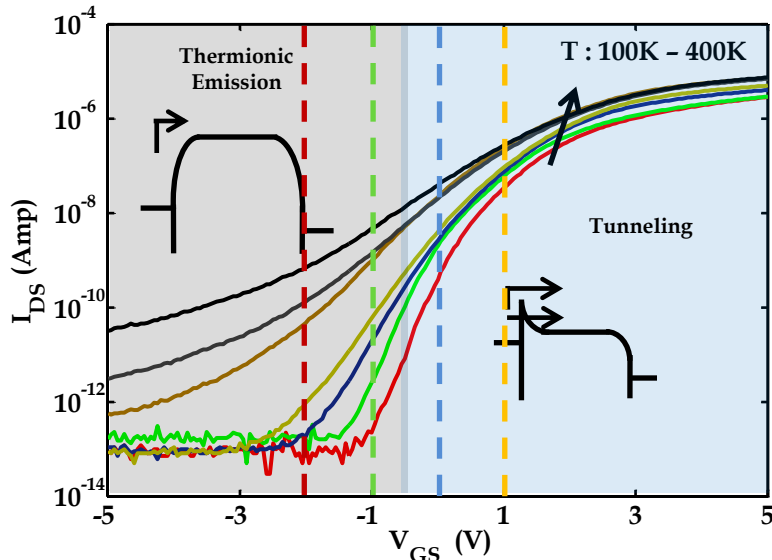


$$I_{DS} \propto AT^2 \exp\left(-\frac{q\Phi_B}{k_B T}\right)$$

$$\frac{d \ln(I_{DS})}{d(1000/T)} \approx -\frac{q\Phi_B}{k_B} \text{ (meV)}$$



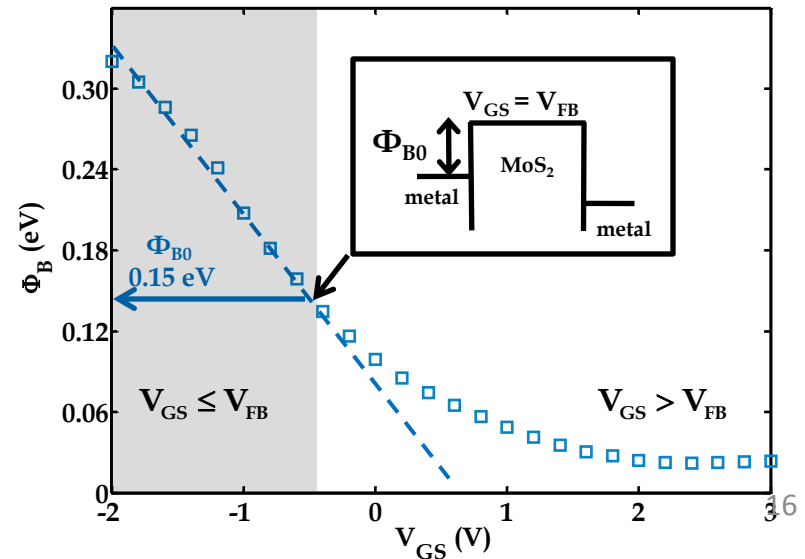
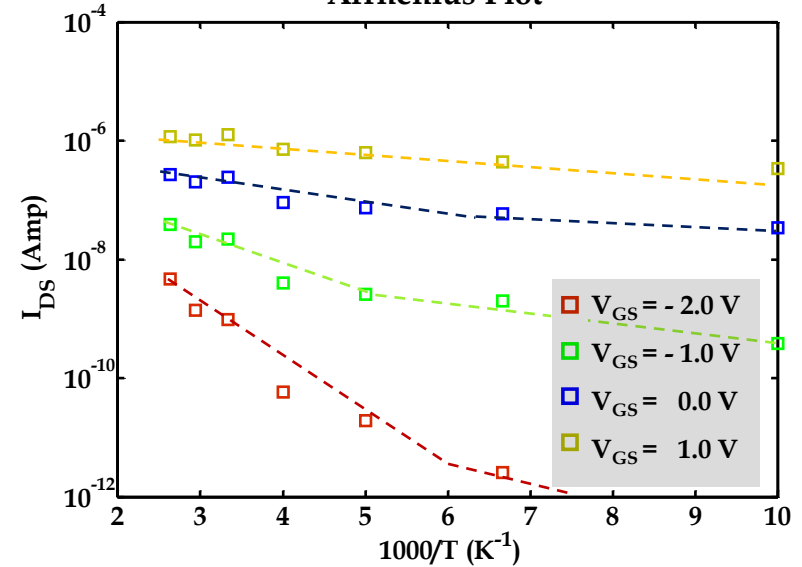
Transfer Characteristics : Ni Contact ($V_{DS} = 1$ V)



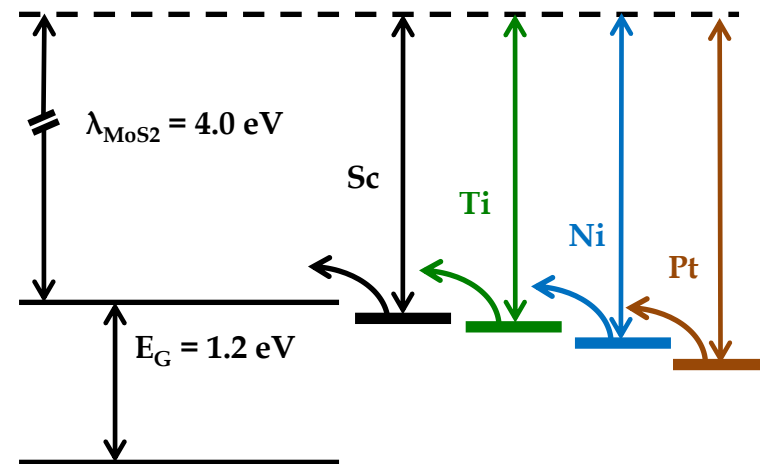
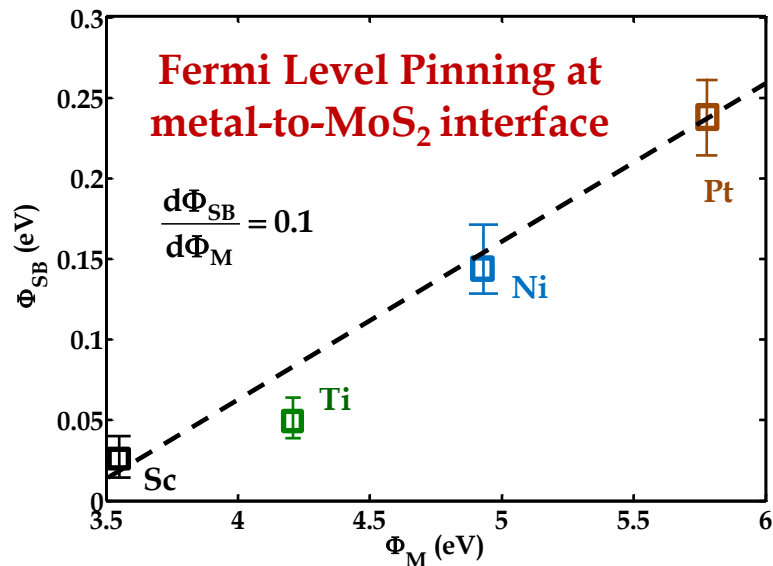
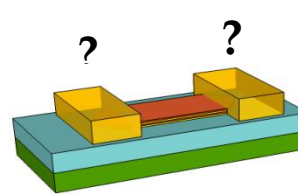
$$\Phi_B = \Phi_{B0} + \gamma(V_{FB} - V_{GS}) \quad \text{for } V_{GS} \leq V_{FB}$$

$$\Phi_B = \Phi_{B0} - \Delta \quad \text{for } V_{GS} > V_{FB}$$

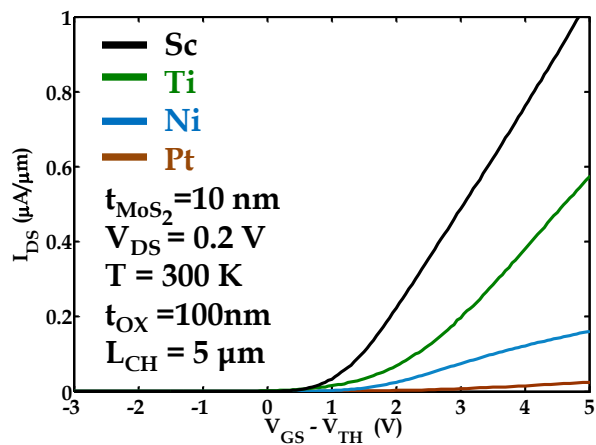
Arrhenius Plot



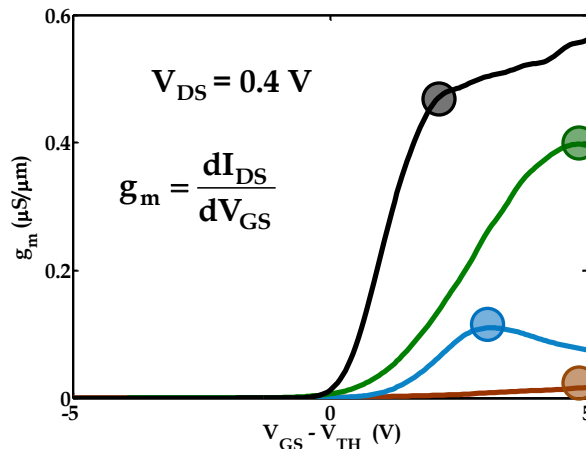
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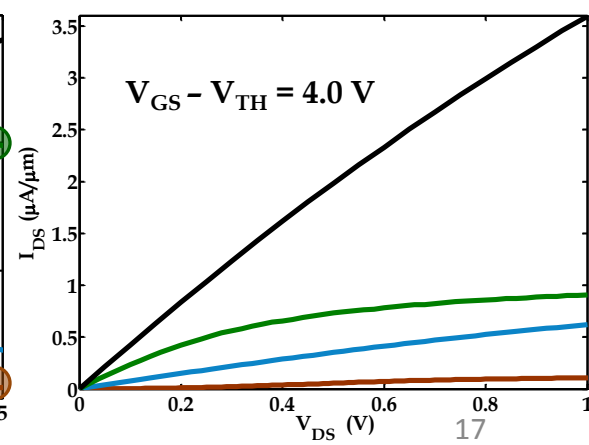
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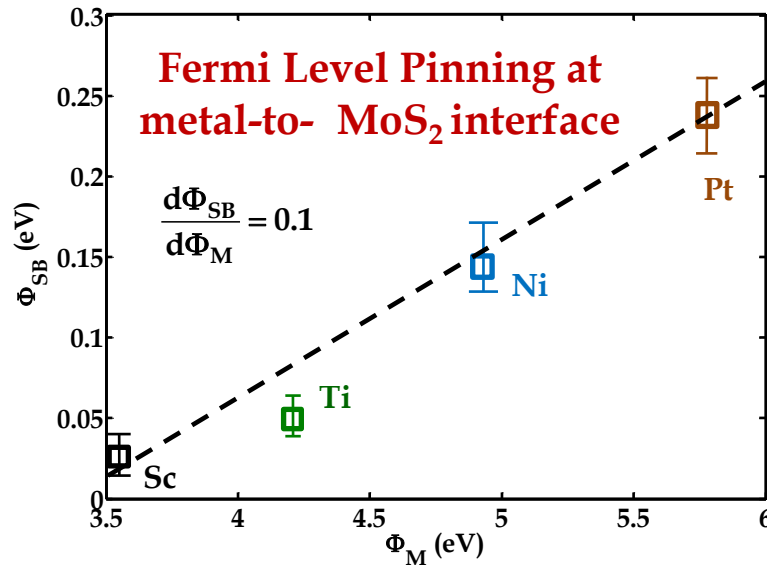
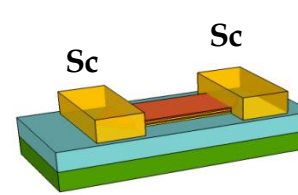
Trans-Conductance



Output Characteristics



Transistor Optimization: Contact



$$g_m = \mu_n C_{OX} (W/L) V_{DS}$$

$$\mu_n = 184 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-s} \text{ (Sc)}$$

$$\mu_n = 125 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-s} \text{ (Ti)}$$

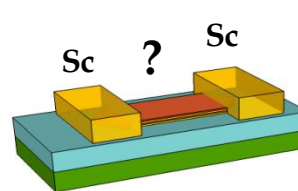
$$\mu_n = 36 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-s} \text{ (Ni)}$$

$$\mu_n = 21 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-s} \text{ (Pt)}$$

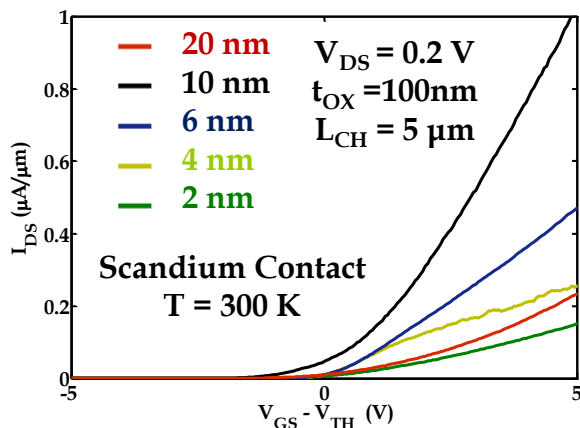
Scandium is the best metal Contact

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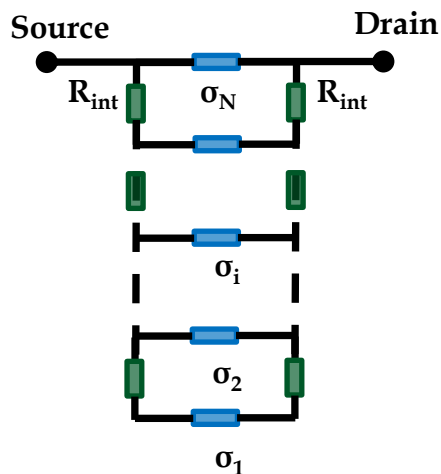
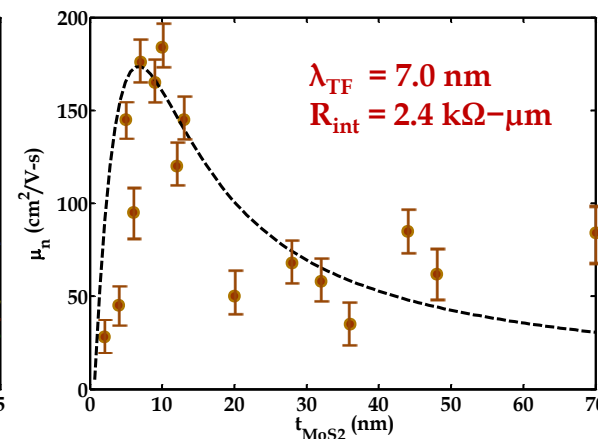
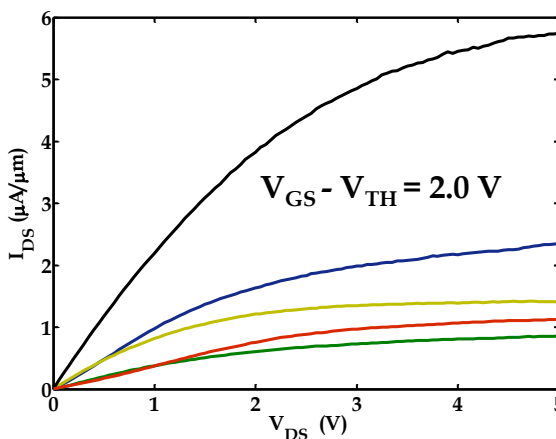
Transistor Optimization: Flake Thickness



Transfer Characteristics



Output Characteristics



Back Gate

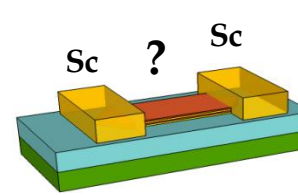
Thomas - Fermi Screening

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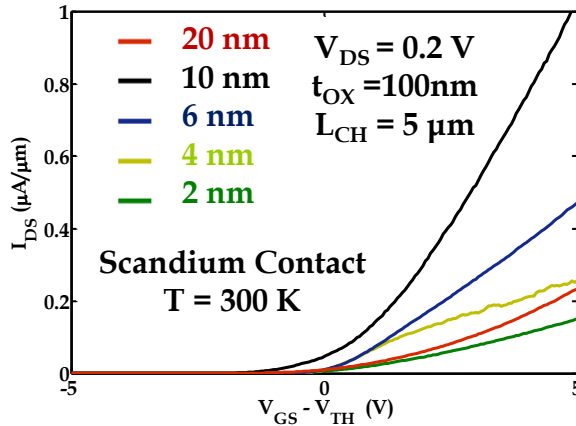
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R_{int}

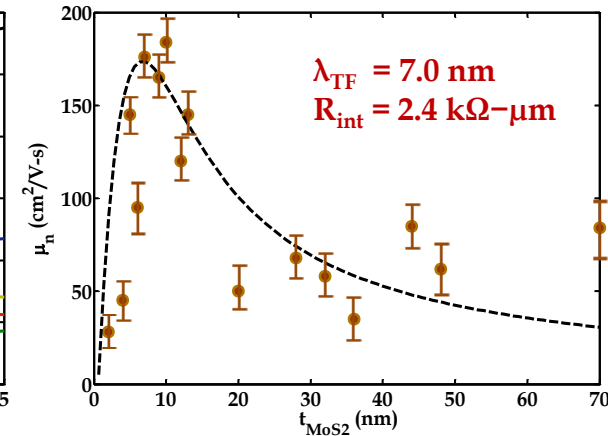
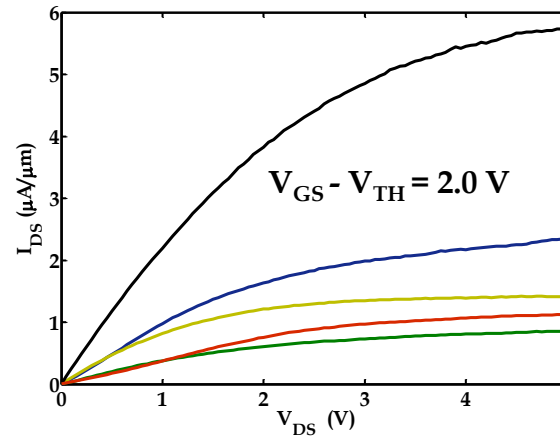
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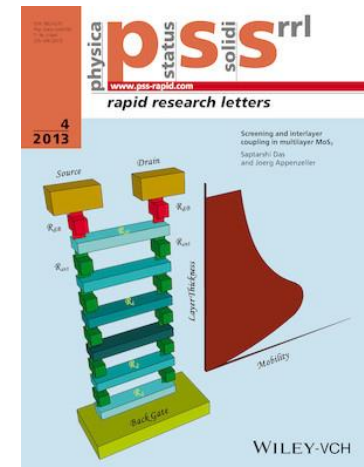
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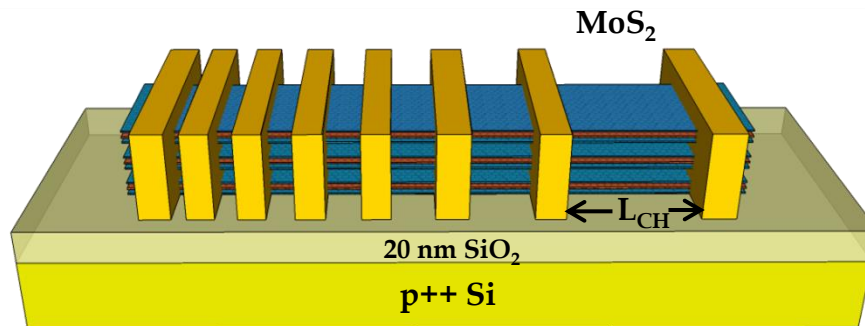
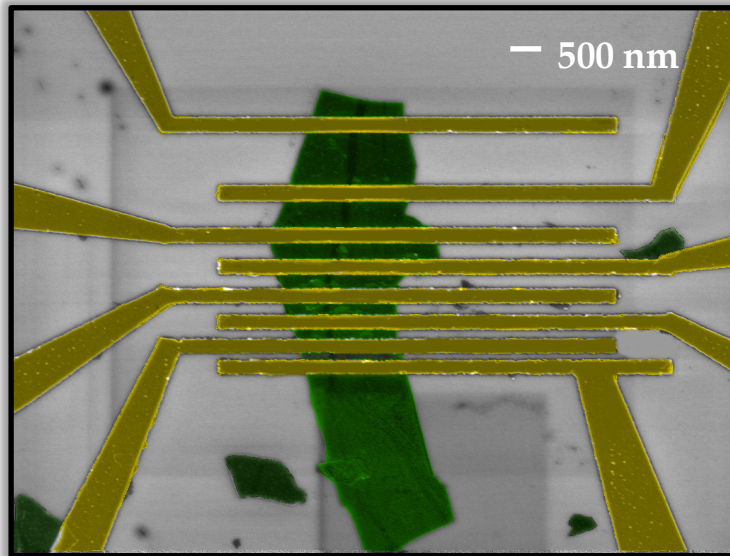


6-10nm Flake is optimum for high mobility channel

Cover Article

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Sc Contacts

8nm MoS₂ Flake

$$L_{CH-min} = 50nm$$

$$L_{CH-max} = 1\mu m$$

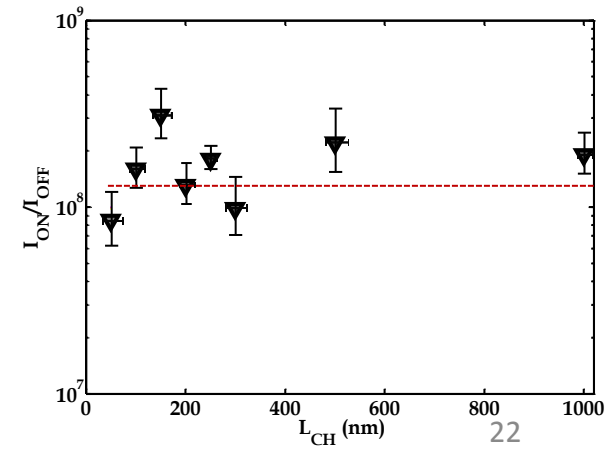
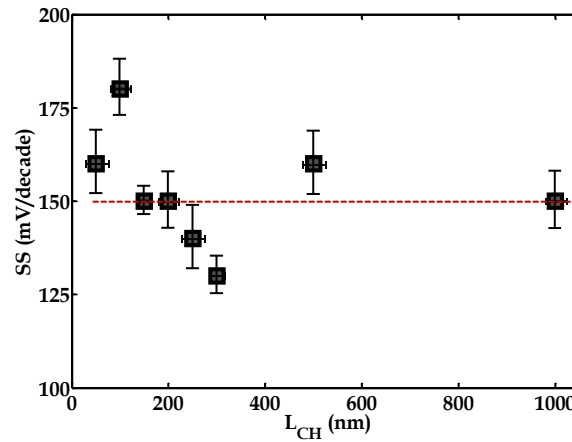
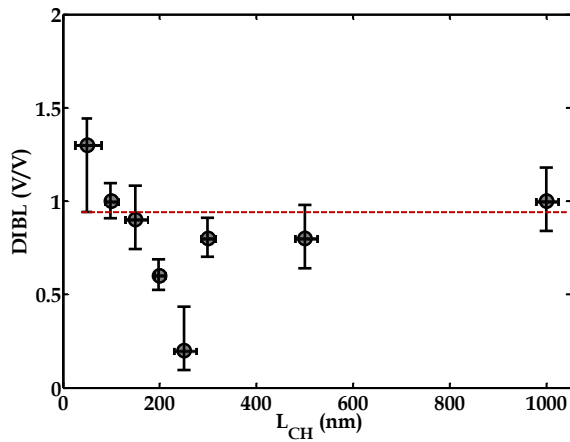
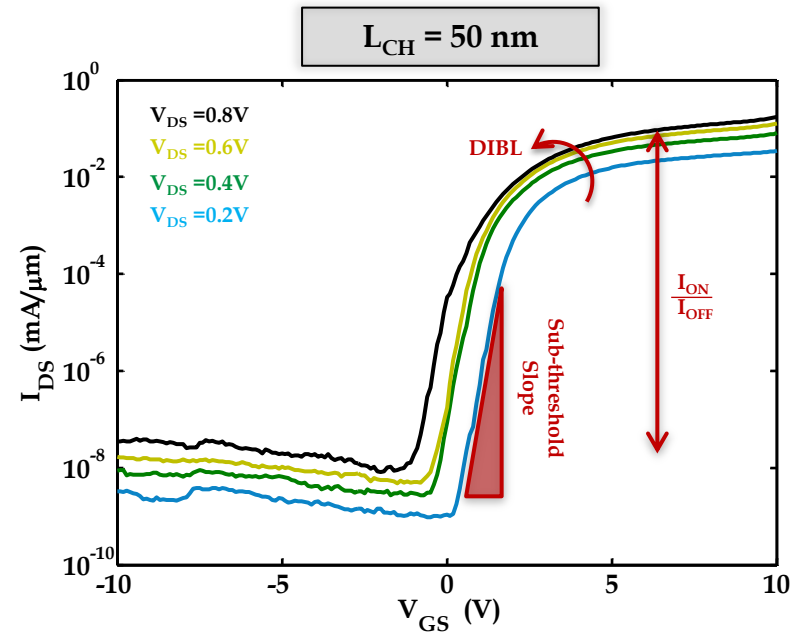
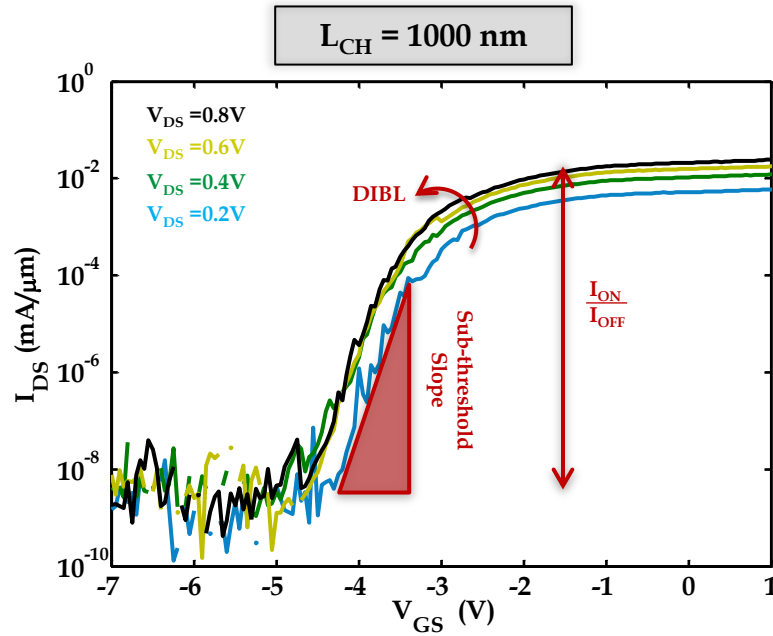
$$\underline{t_{OX} = 20nm SiO_2}$$

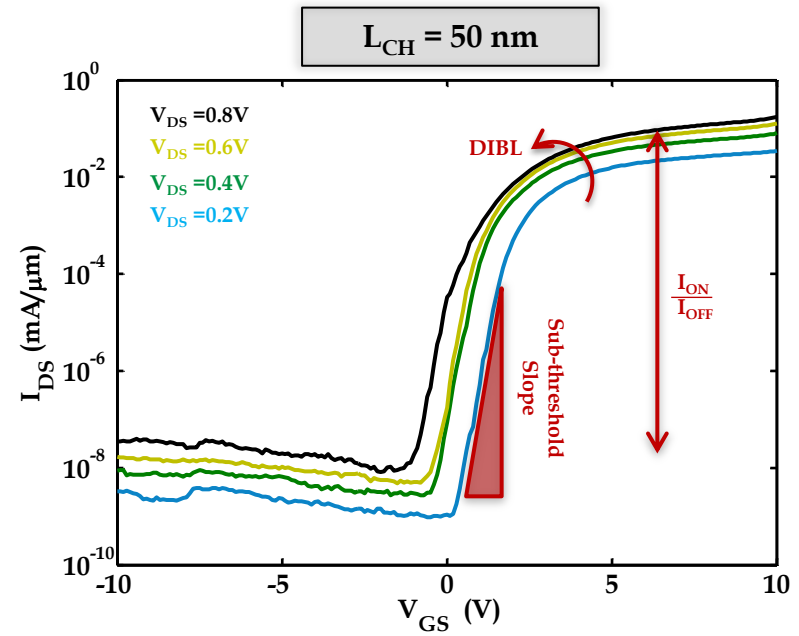
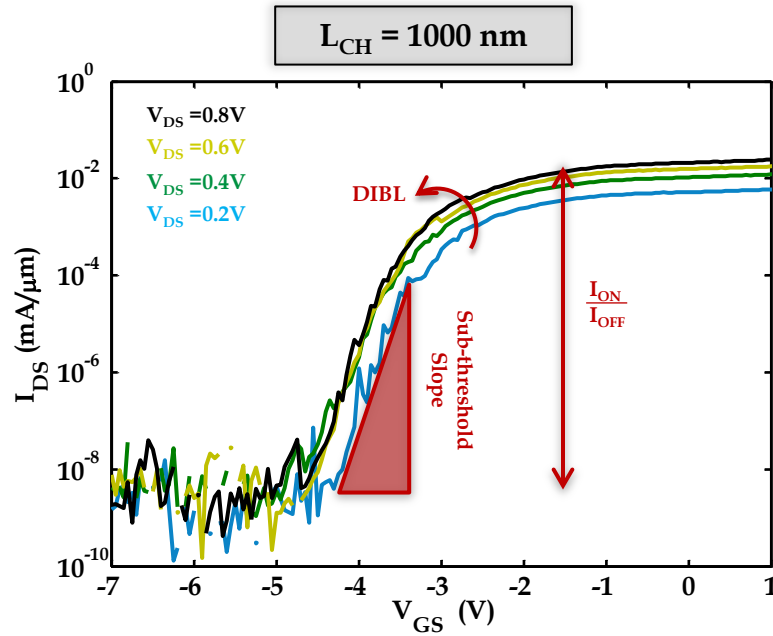
✓ 15 times better gate control compared to 300nm oxide.

✓ Reduces the possibility of short channel effect.

$$\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{t_{OX}}{\epsilon_{OX}} t_{BODY} \epsilon_{BODY}}$$

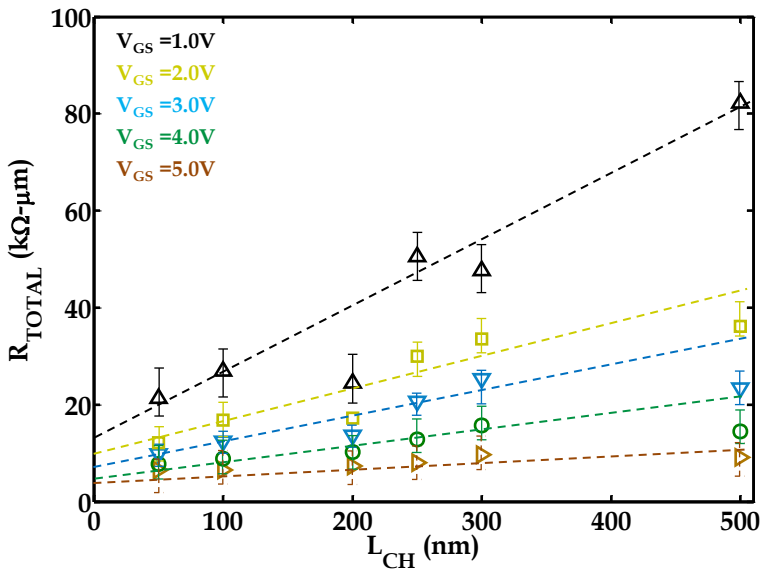
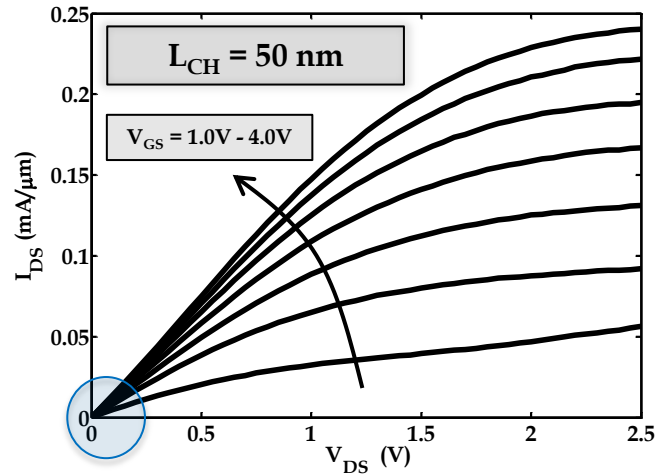
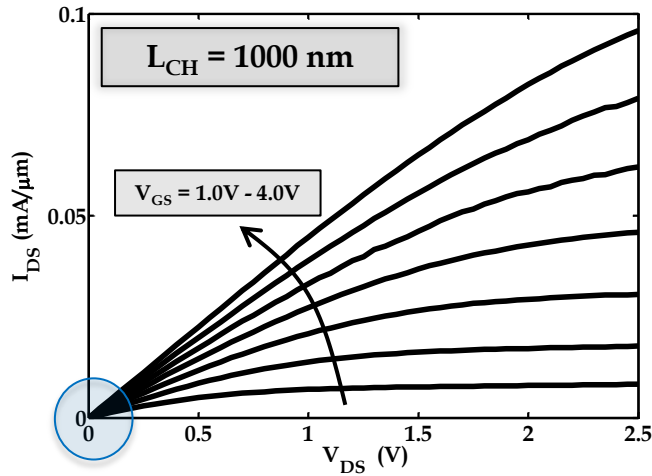
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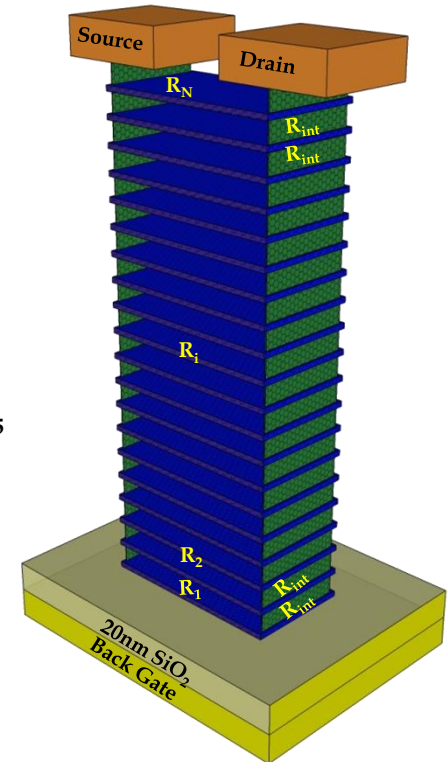
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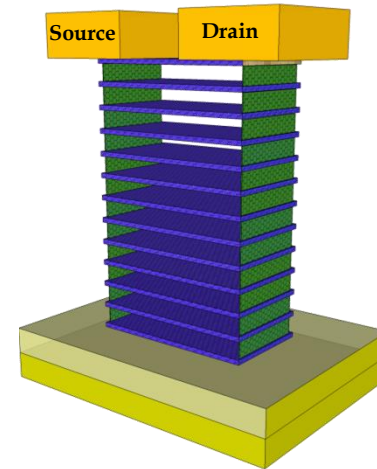
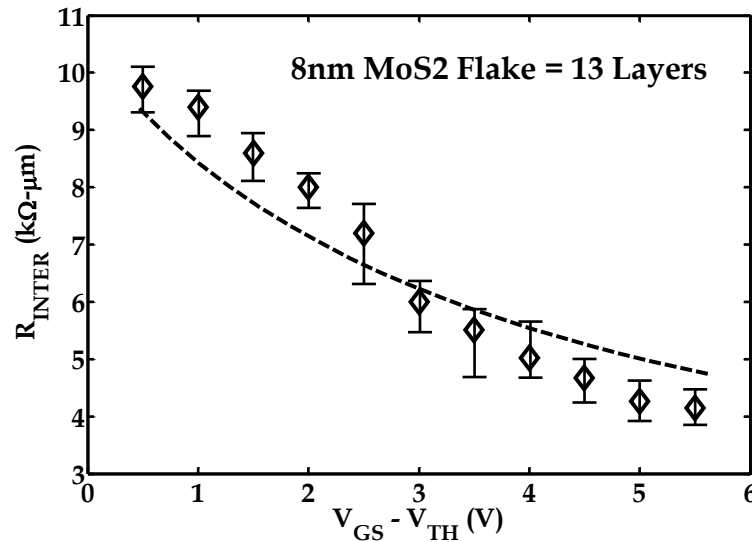
"Contact Resistance"



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{V_{DS}}{I_{DS}} &= R_{TOTAL} \\ &= R_{CONTACT} + R_{CHANNEL} \\ &= (R_{INTER} + R_{SB}) + R_0 L_{CH} \end{aligned}$$

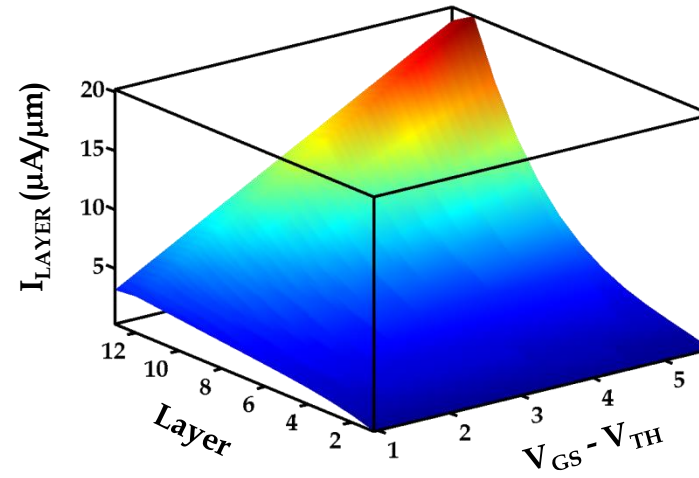
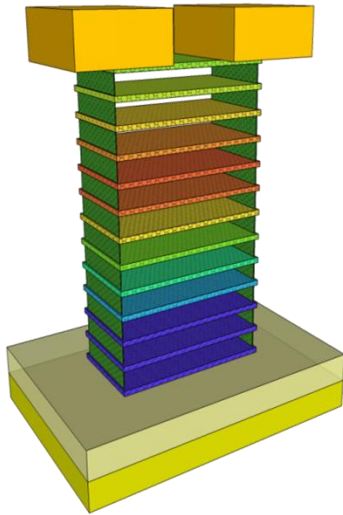
$R_{SB} = 0.65 \text{ k}\Omega\text{-}\mu\text{m}$ (Sc-MoS₂ Contact @ V_T)





Different numbers of interlayer resistors are involved in the current flow for different gate biases.

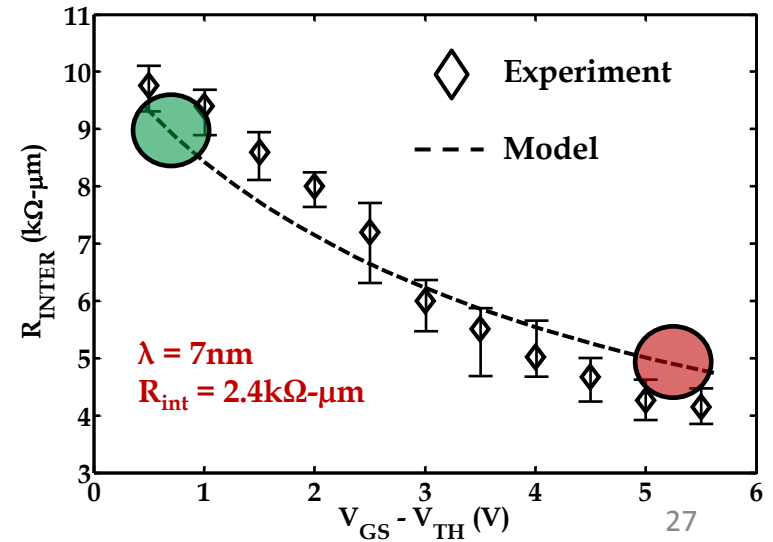
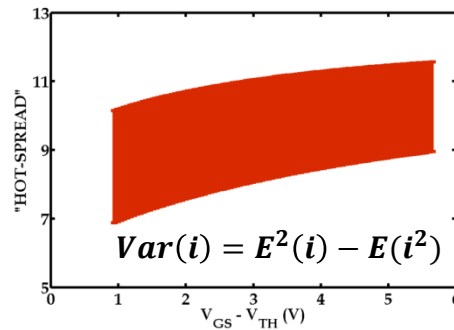
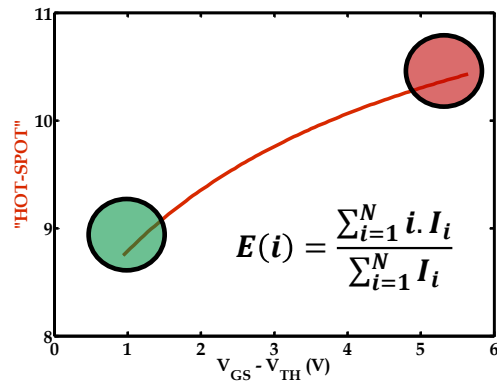
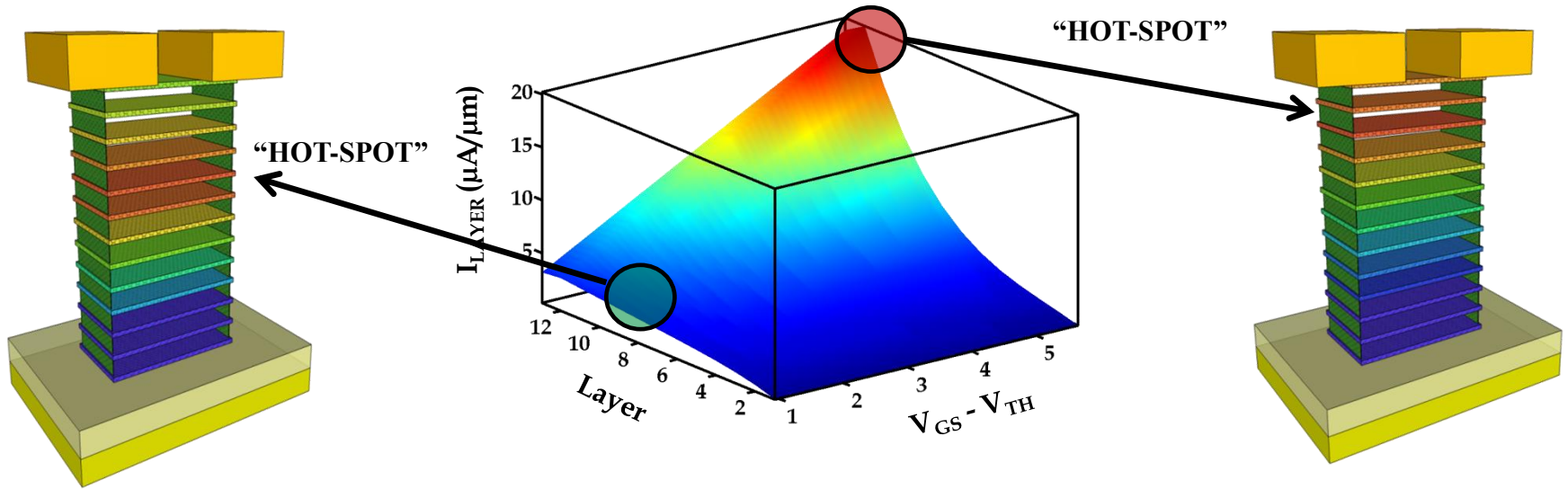
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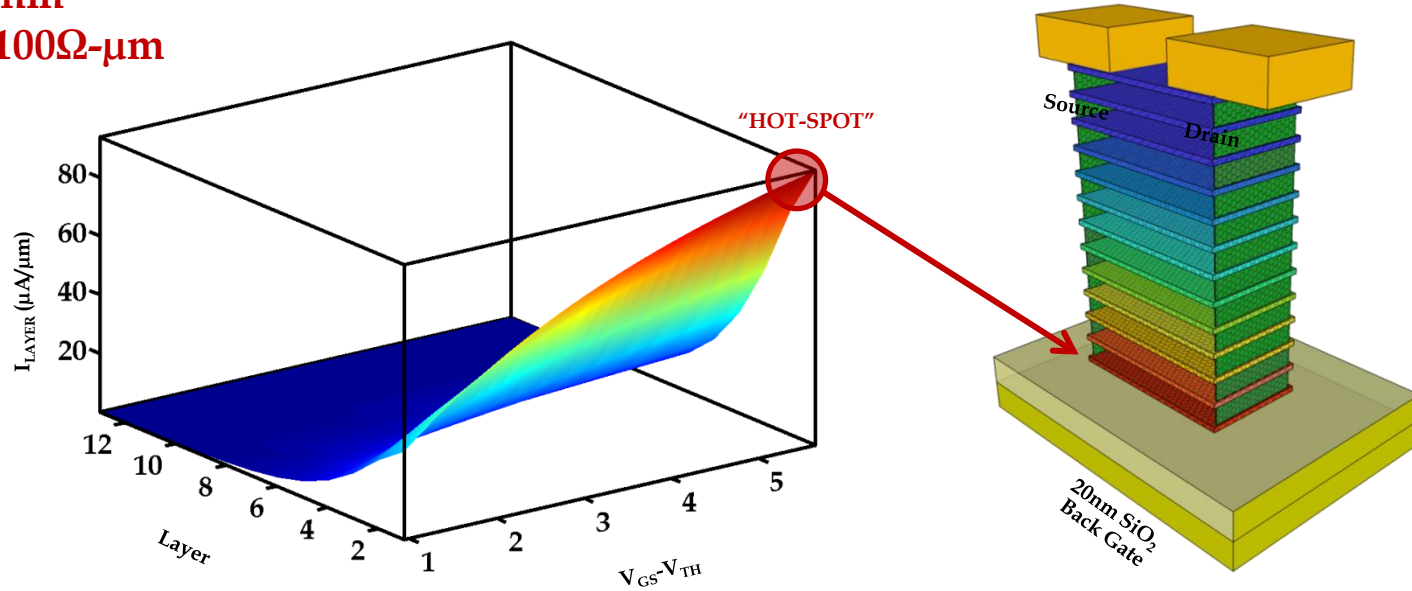
Thomas-Fermi charge screening: $\lambda_{\text{TF}} = 7\text{nm}$

Inter-layer resistive coupling: $R_{\text{int}} = 2.4\text{k}\Omega\text{-}\mu\text{m}$

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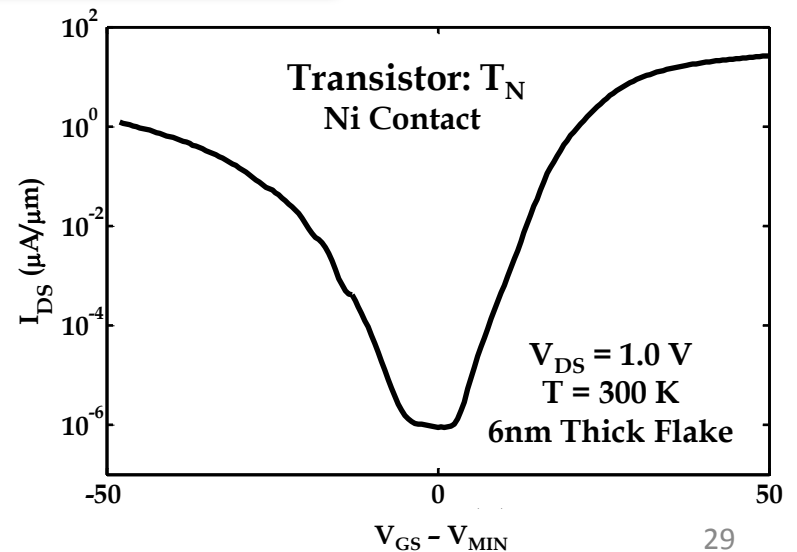
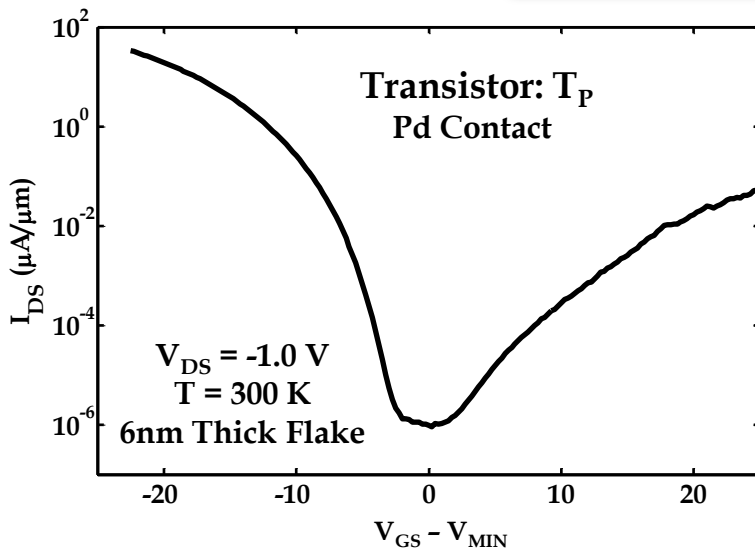
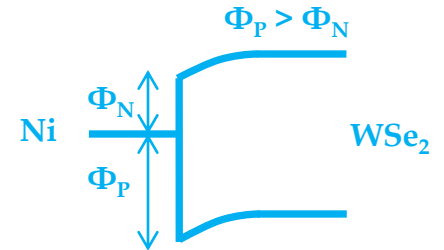
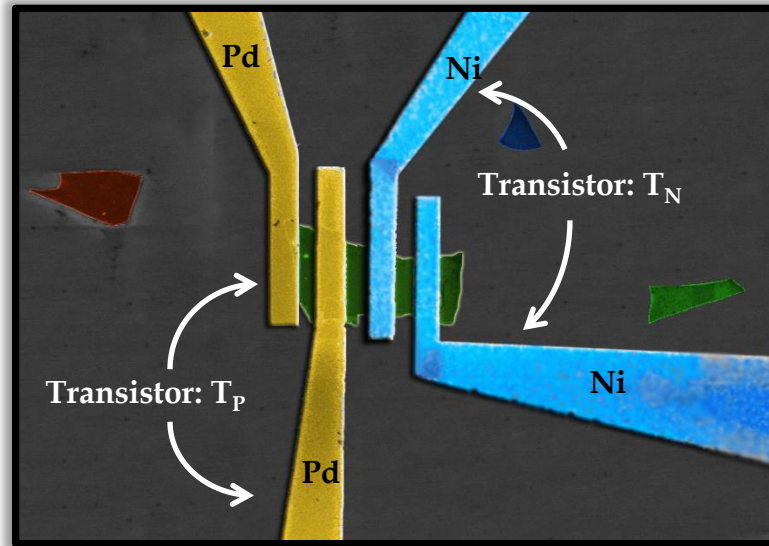
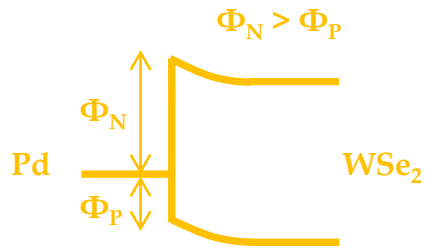


$\lambda = 0.7\text{nm}$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 100\Omega\text{-}\mu\text{m}$

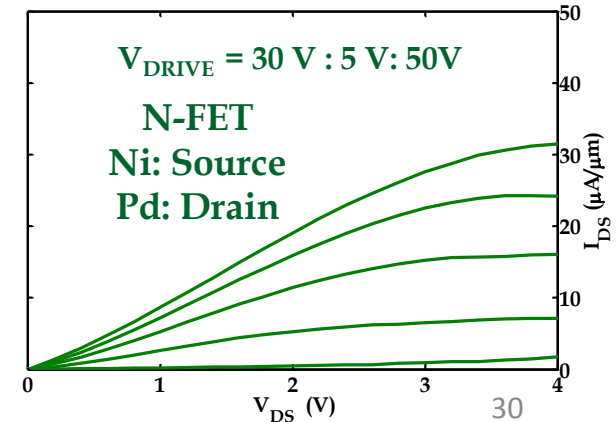
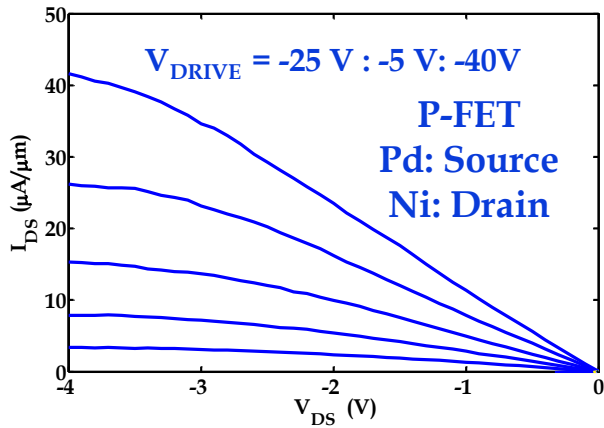
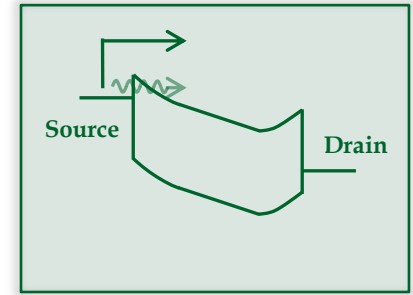
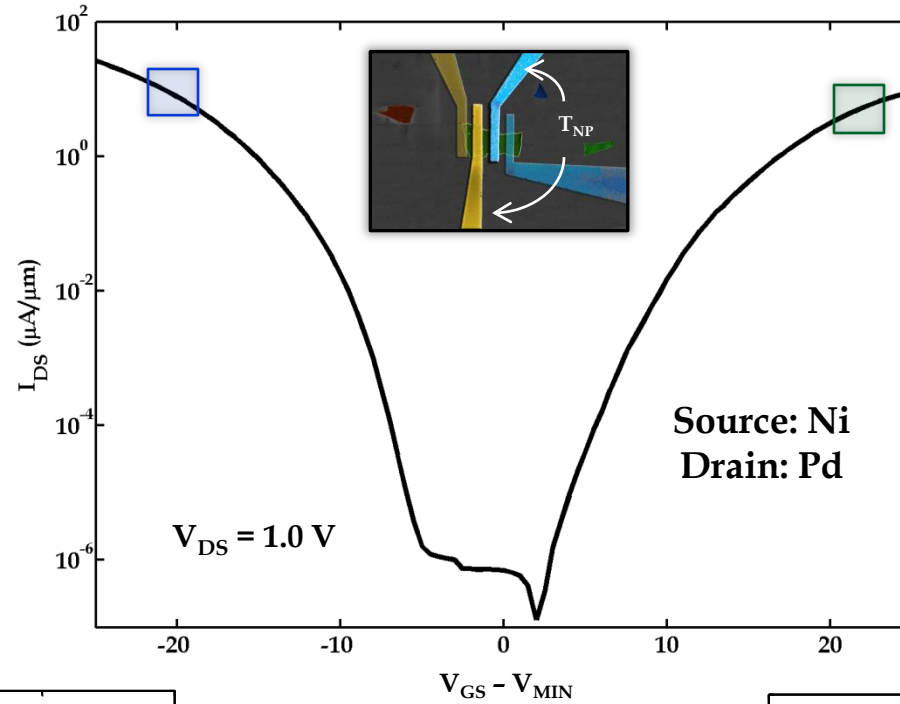
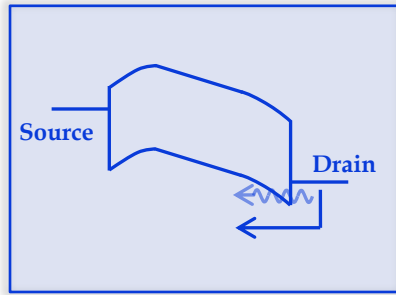


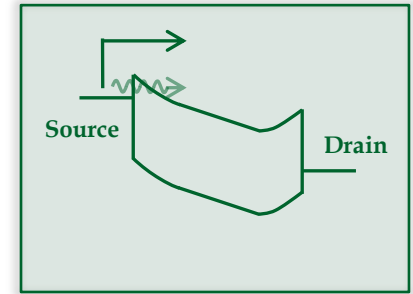
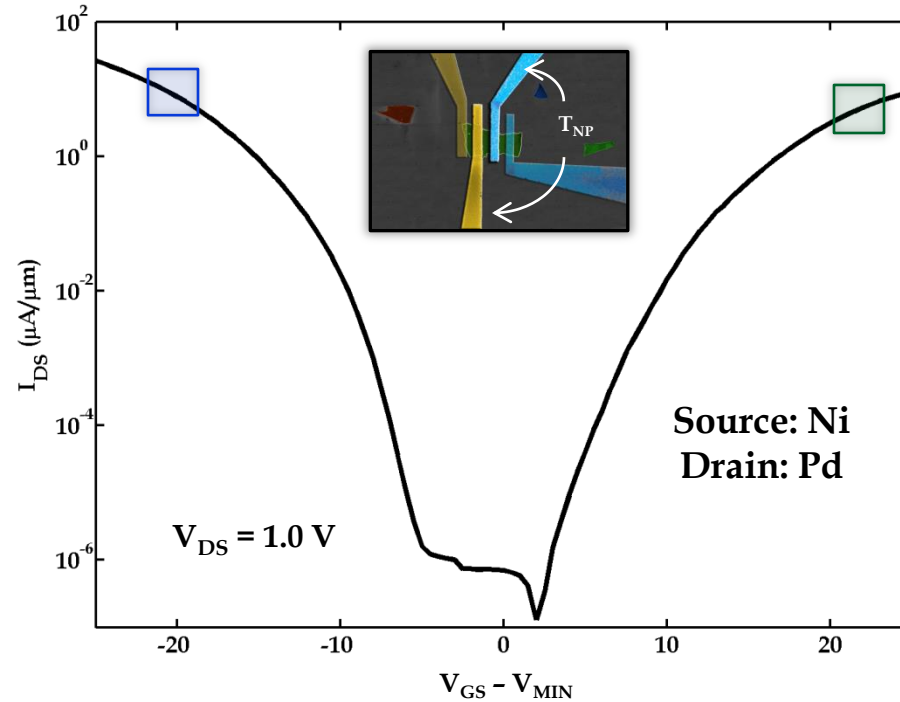
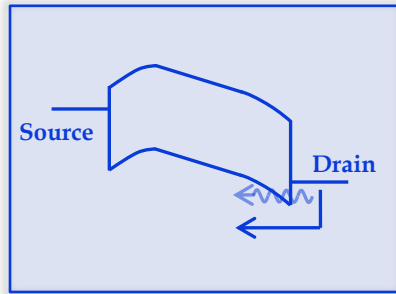
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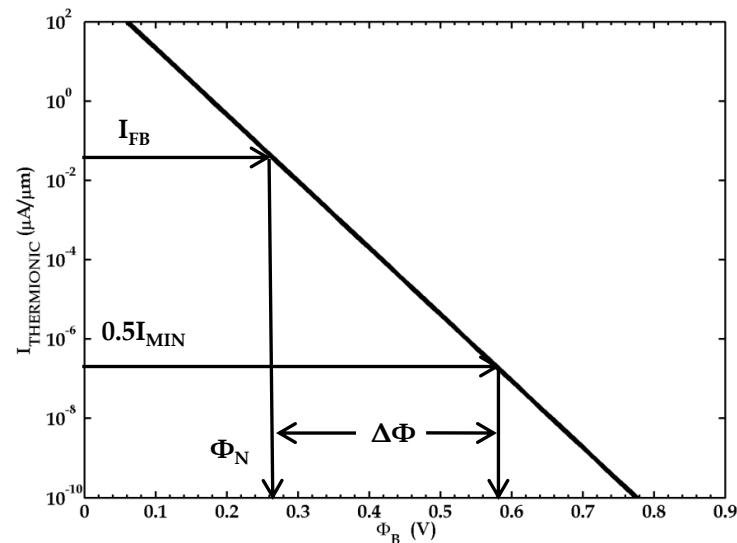
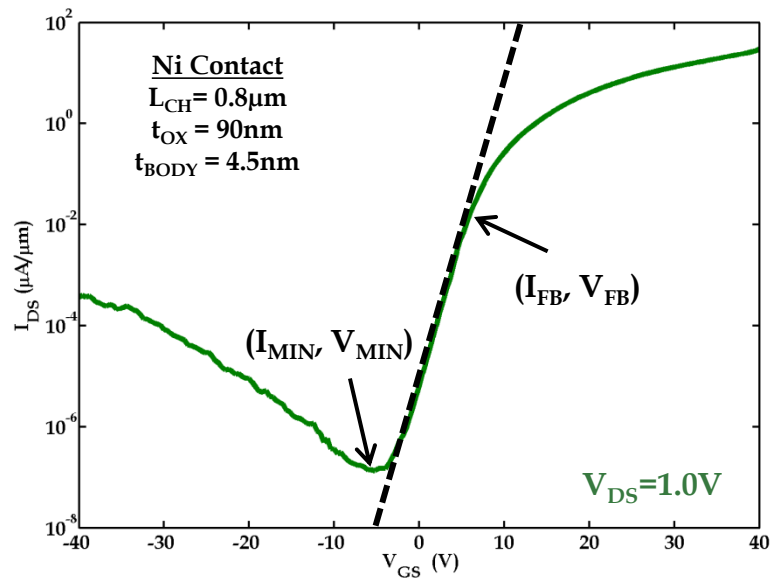




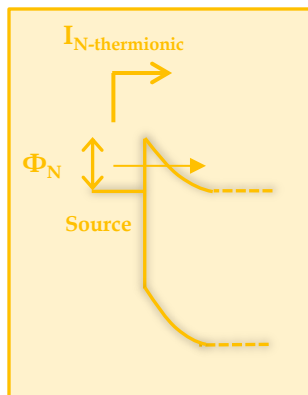
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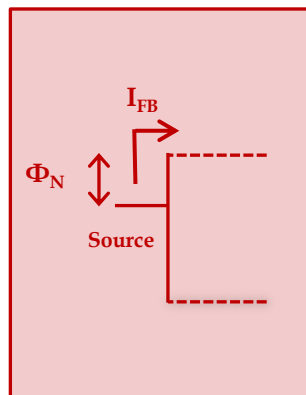
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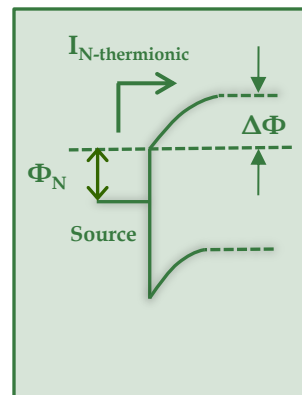
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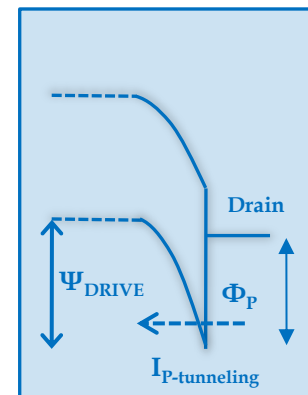
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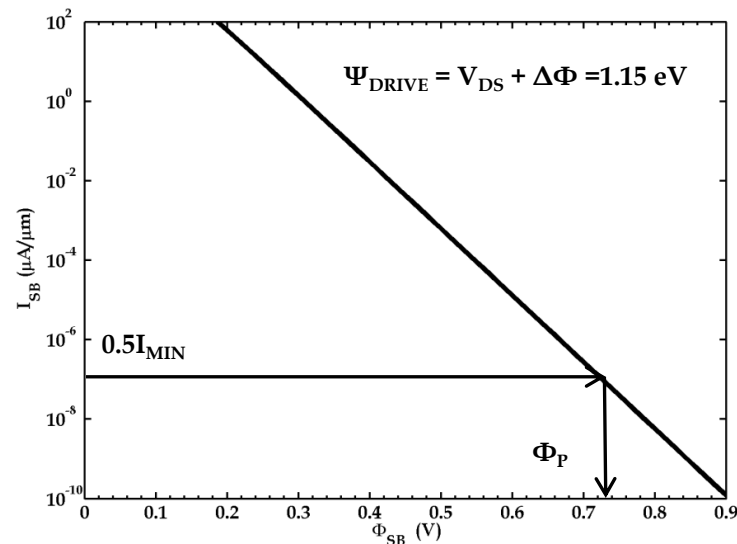
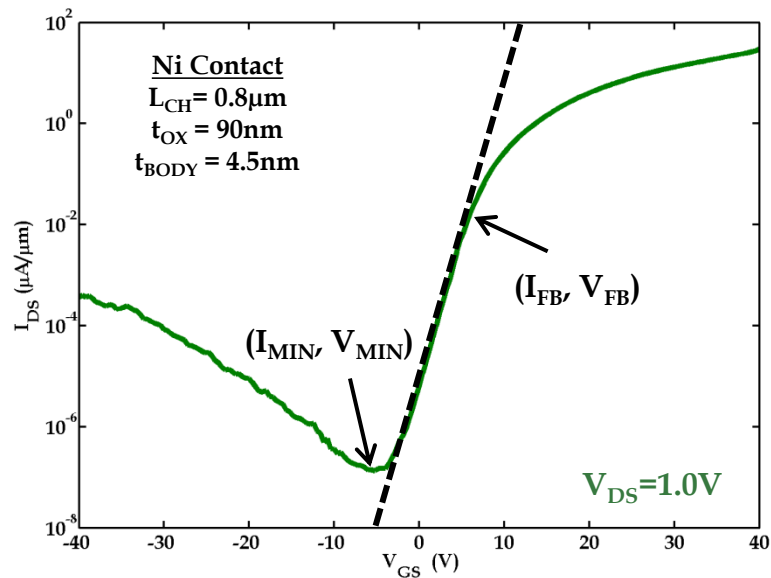
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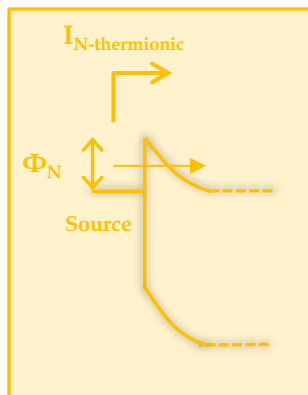
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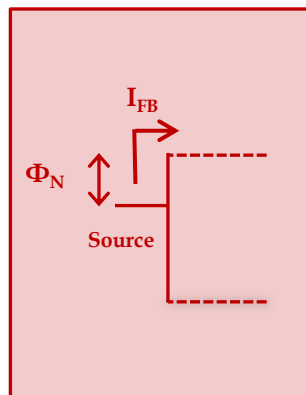
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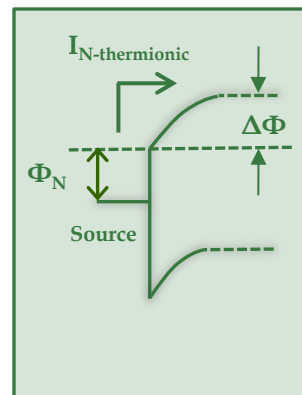
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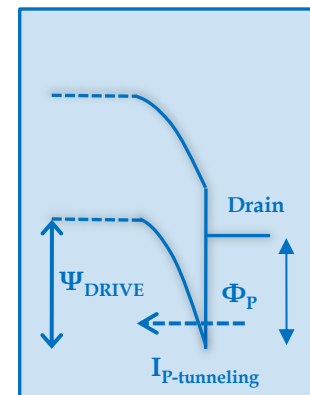
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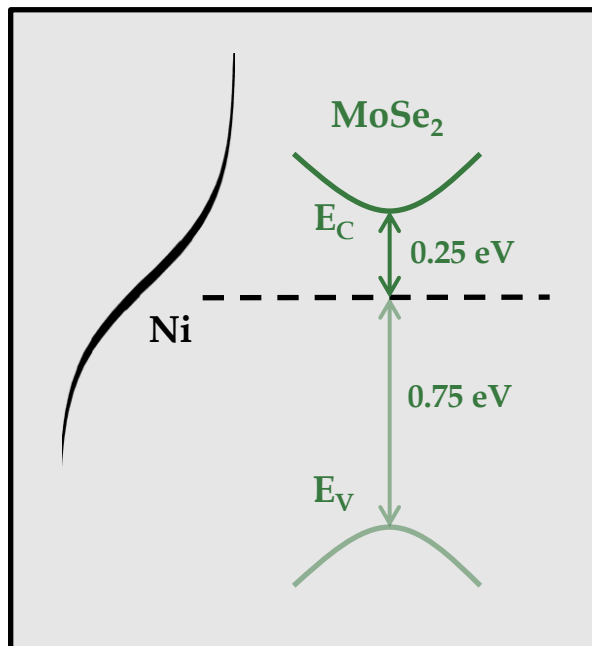
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Band Alignment of Ni with the
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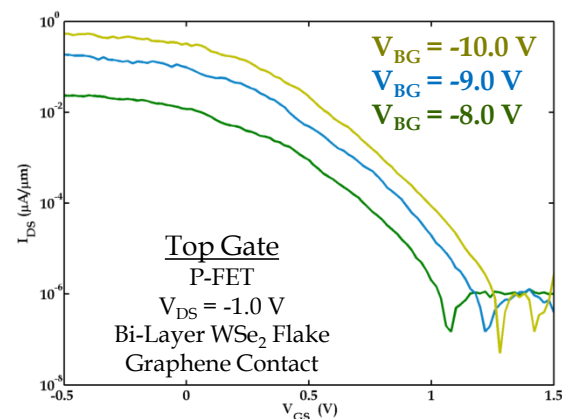
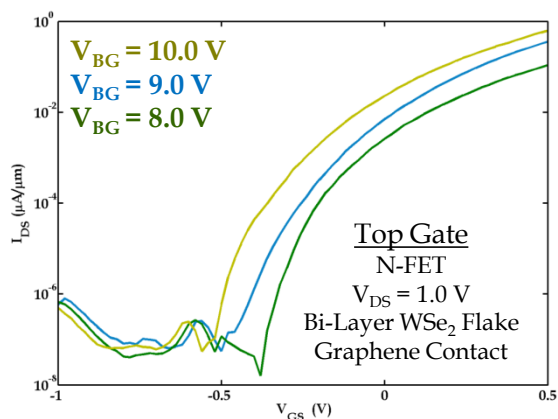
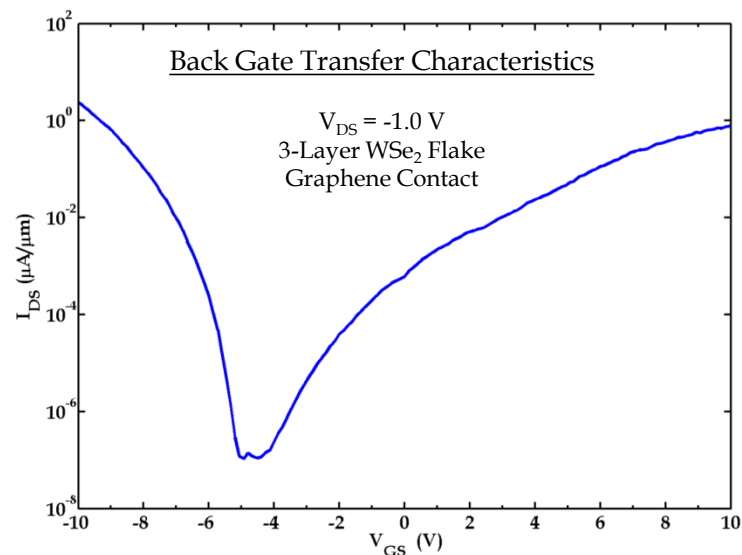
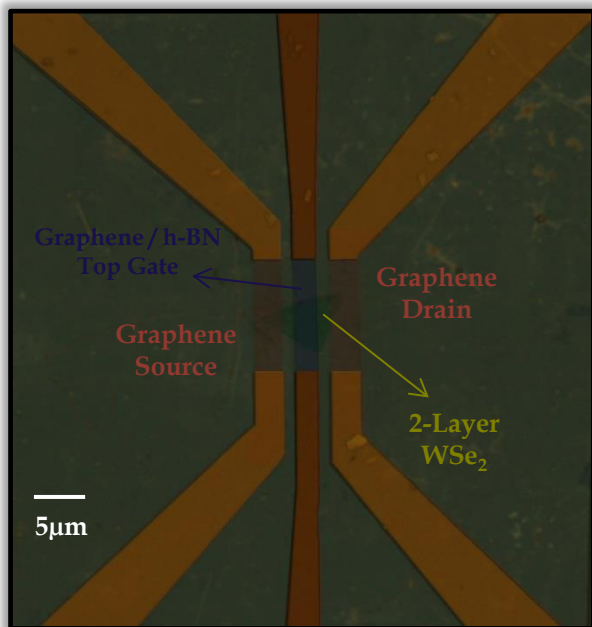


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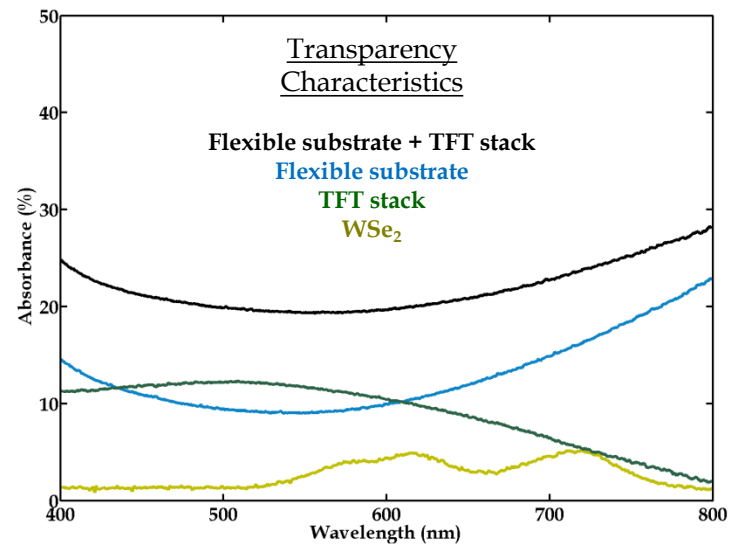
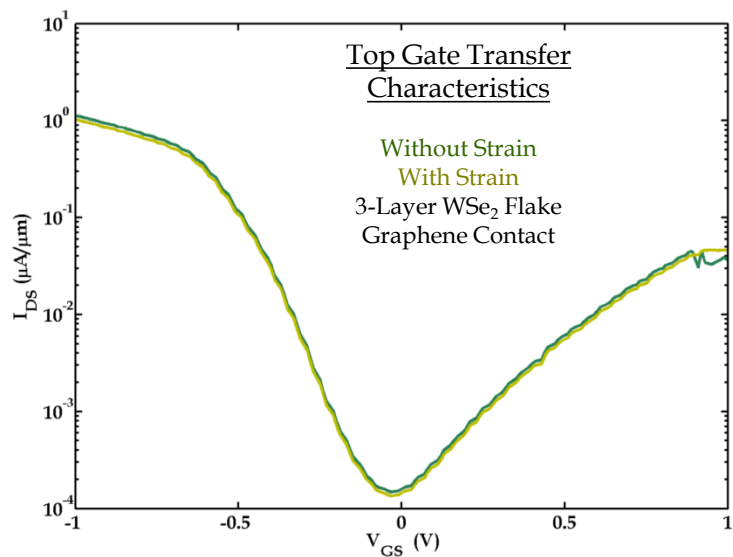
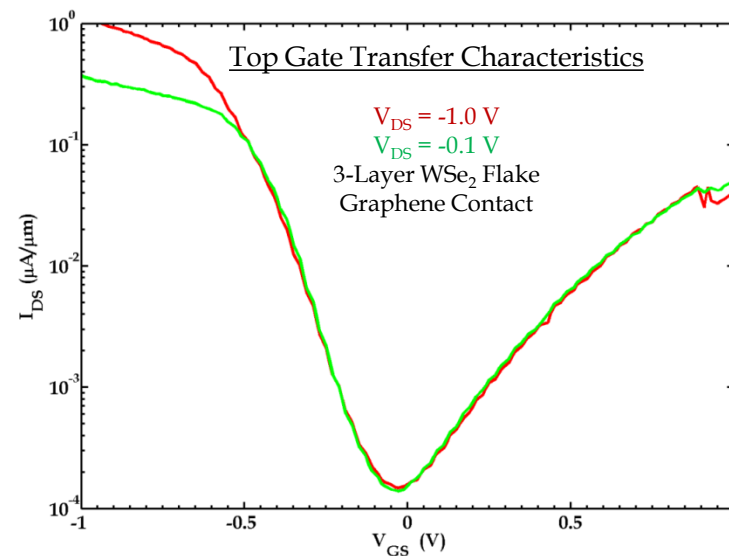
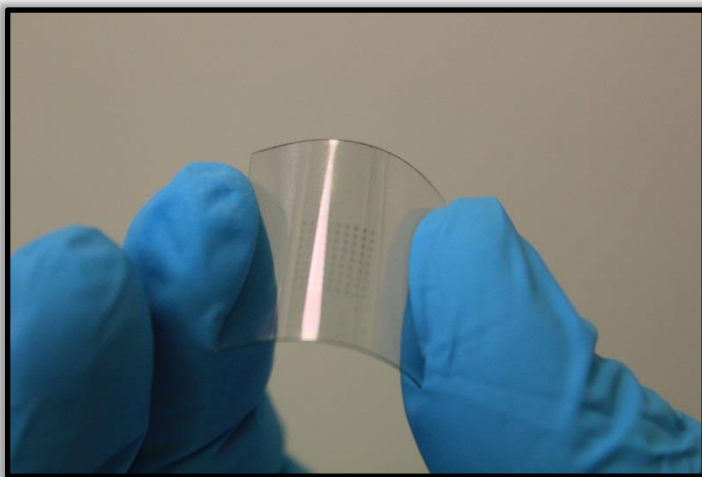
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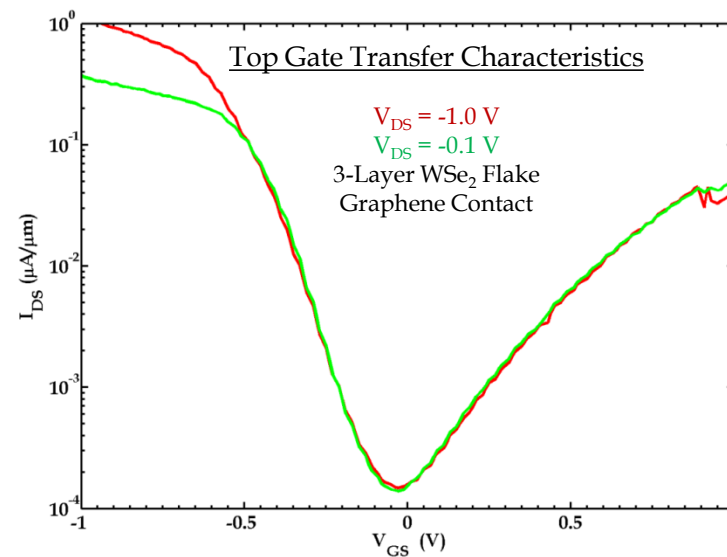
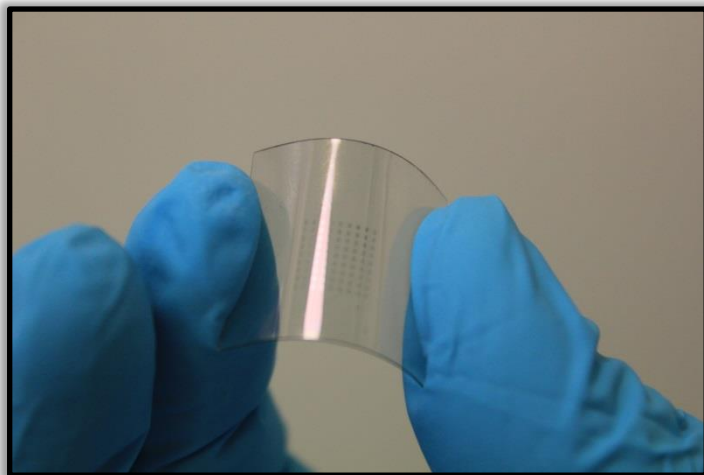
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Flexible Transparent Transistor



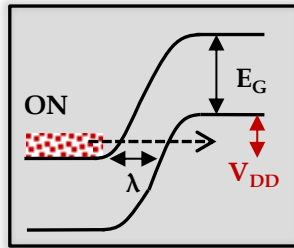
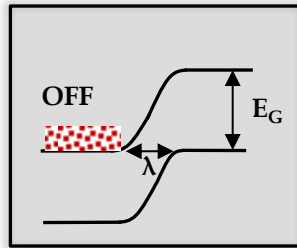
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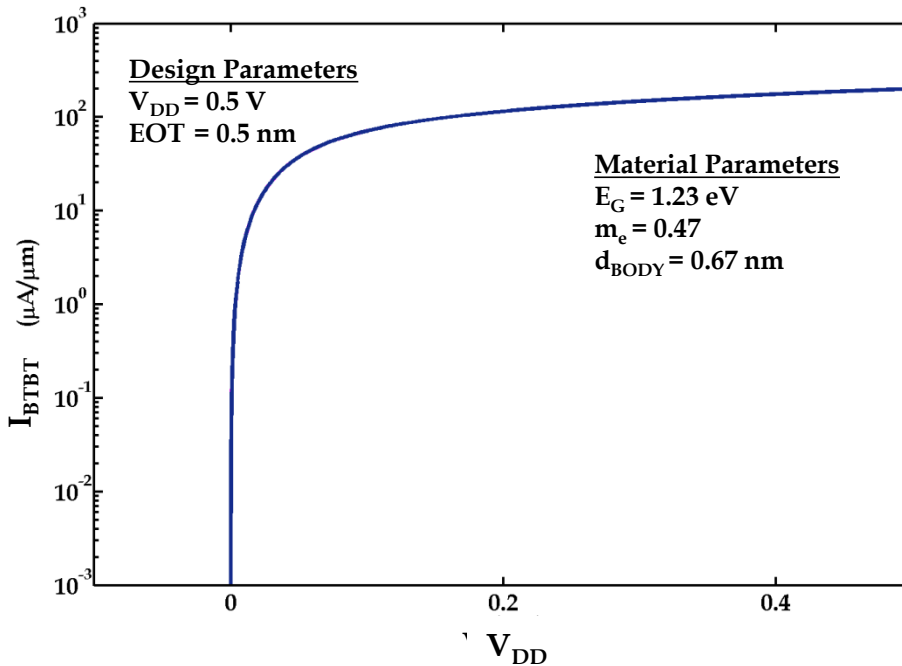
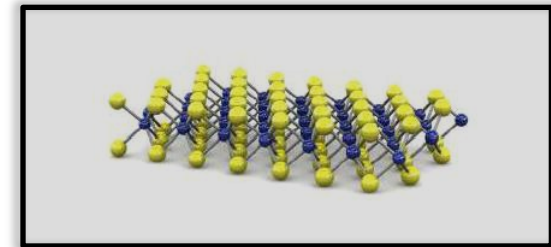
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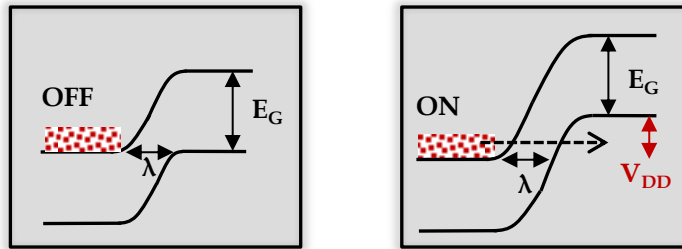
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TMDs

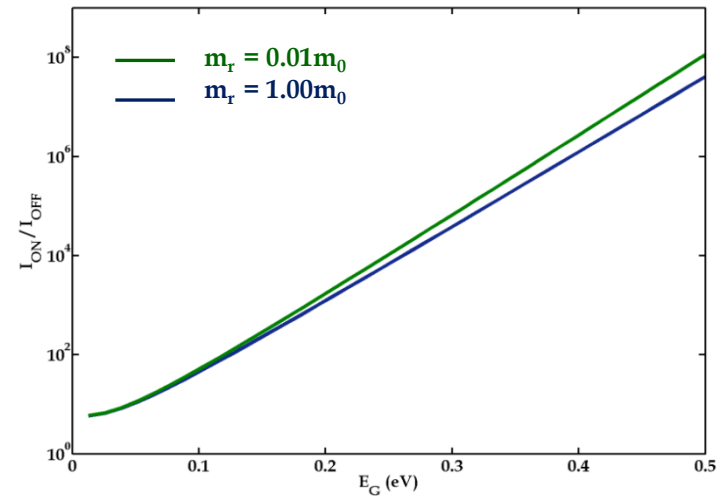
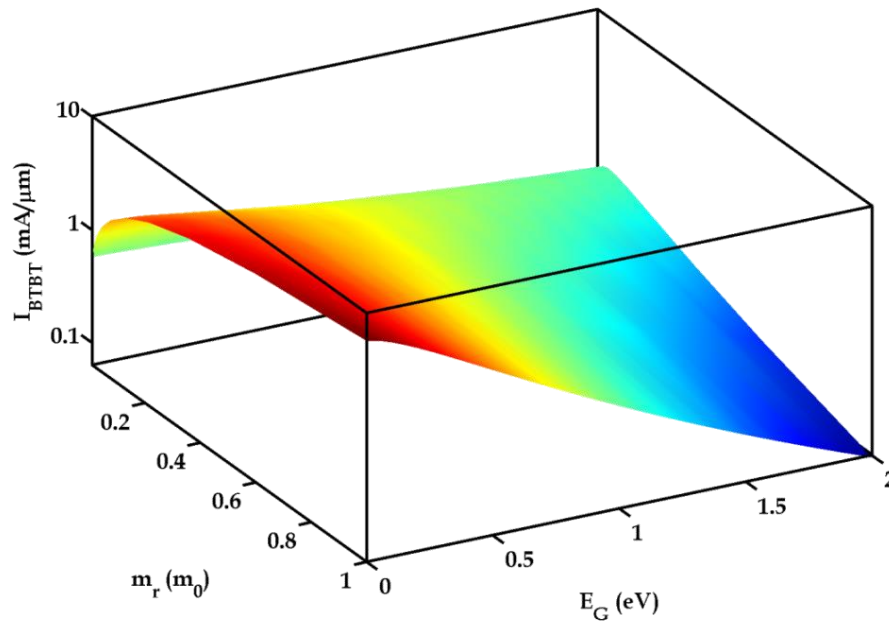


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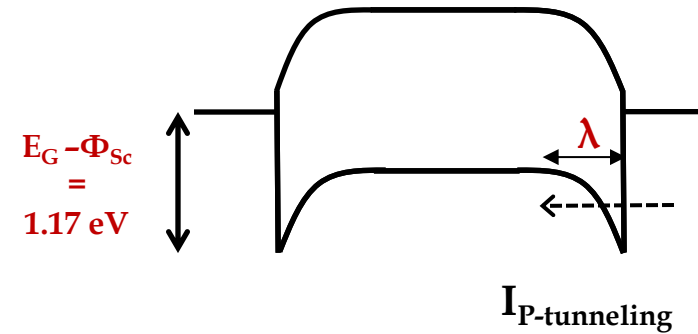
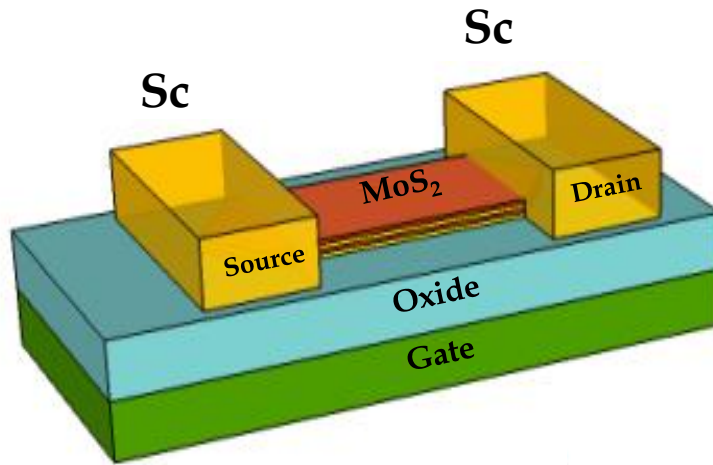
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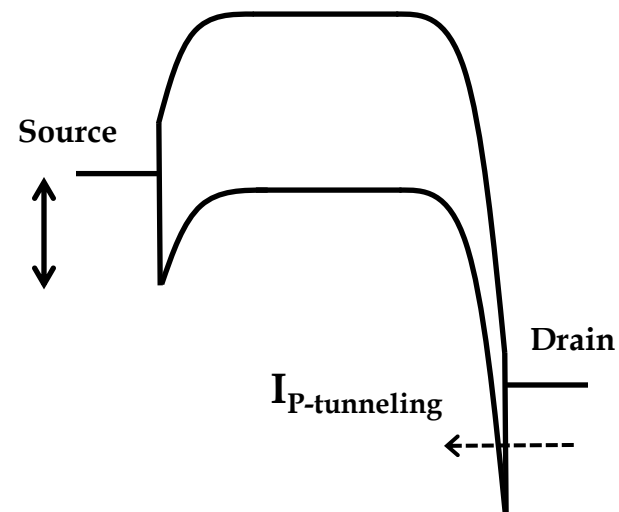
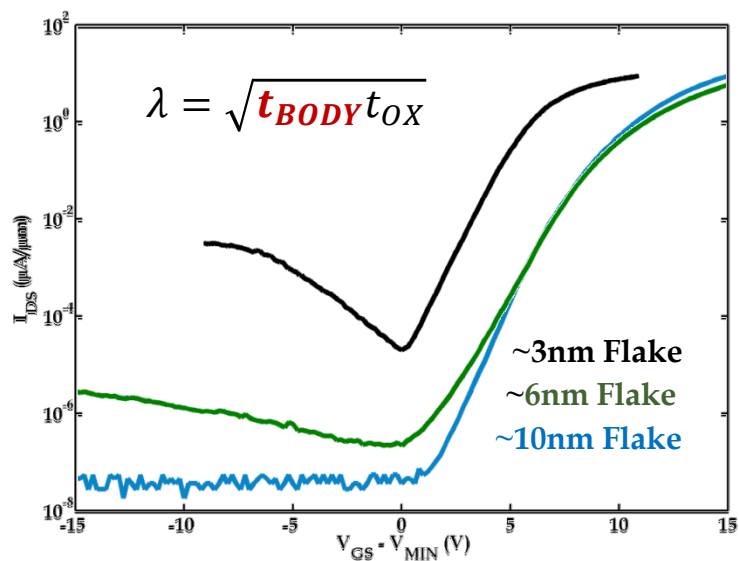
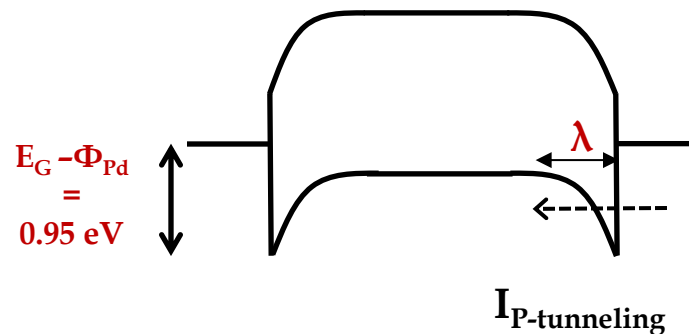
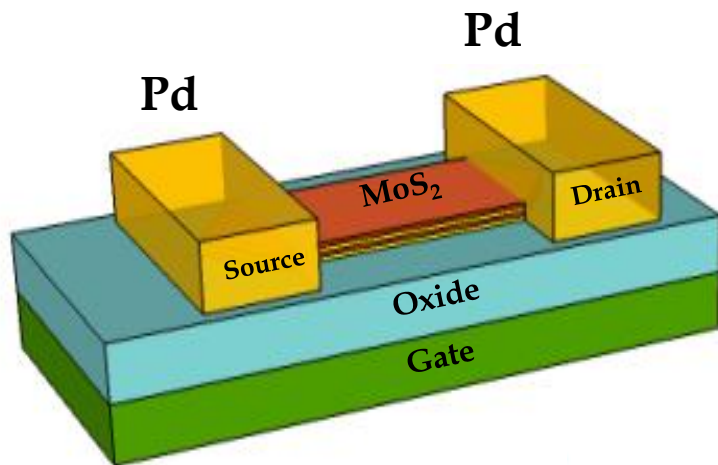
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MoS ₂	1.79	0.46	0.56	0.16
MoSe ₂	1.49	0.55	0.64	0.18
MoTe ₂	1.13	0.55	0.67	0.27
WS ₂	1.96	0.30	0.41	0.18
WSe ₂	1.61	0.34	0.44	0.20
WTe ₂	0.71	0.31	0.41	0.67

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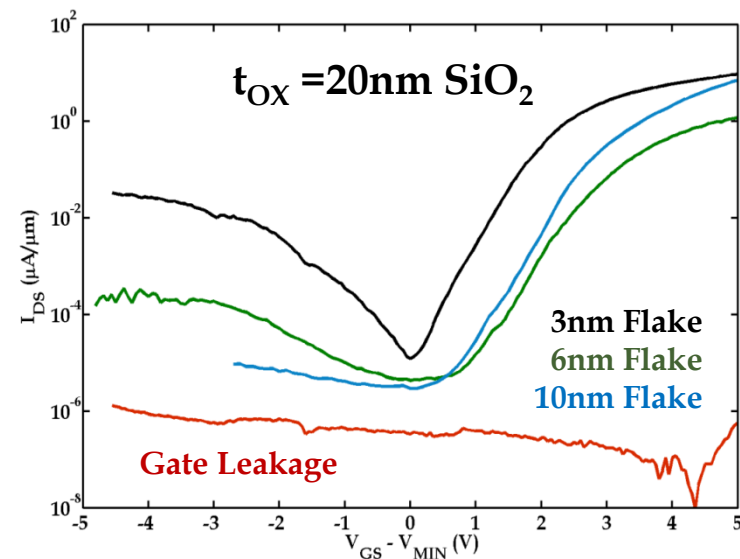
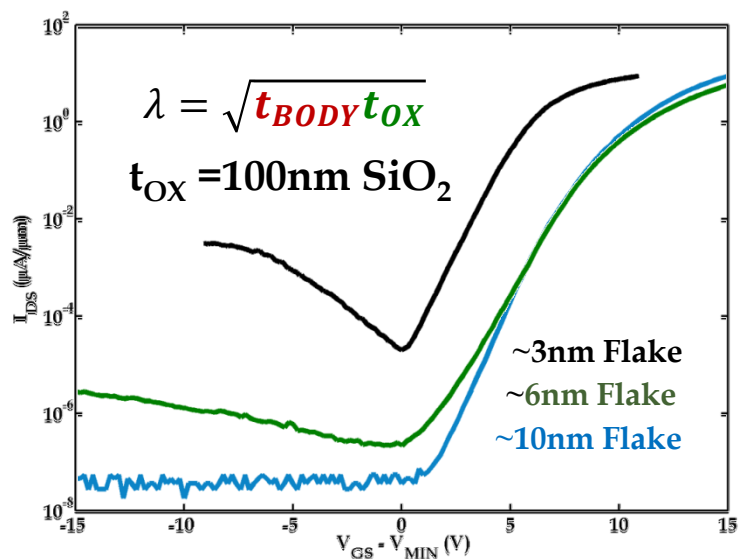
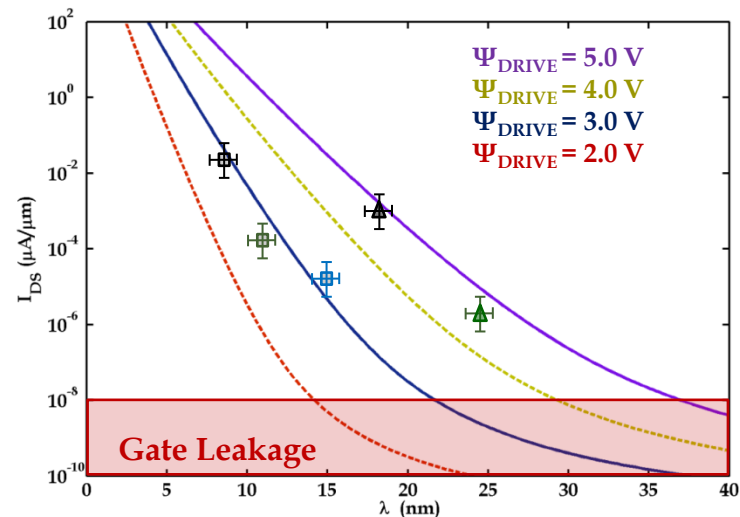
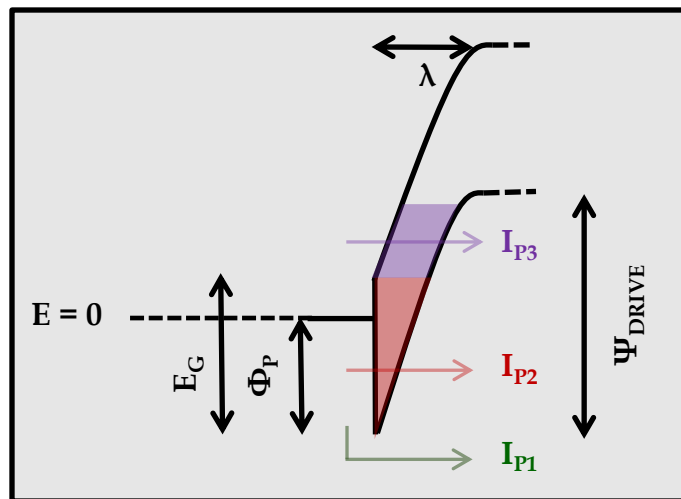
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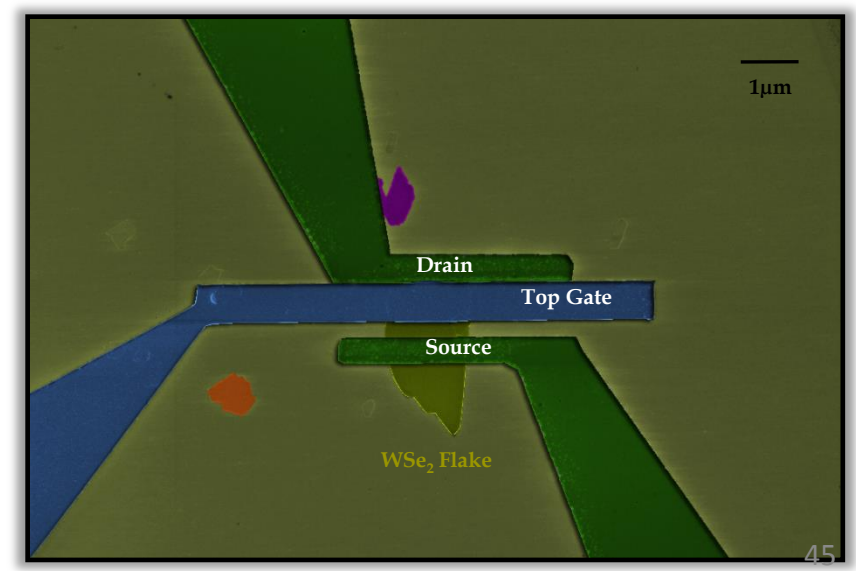
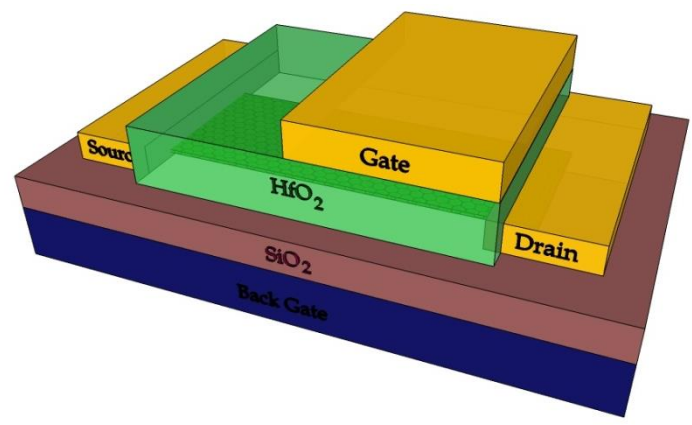
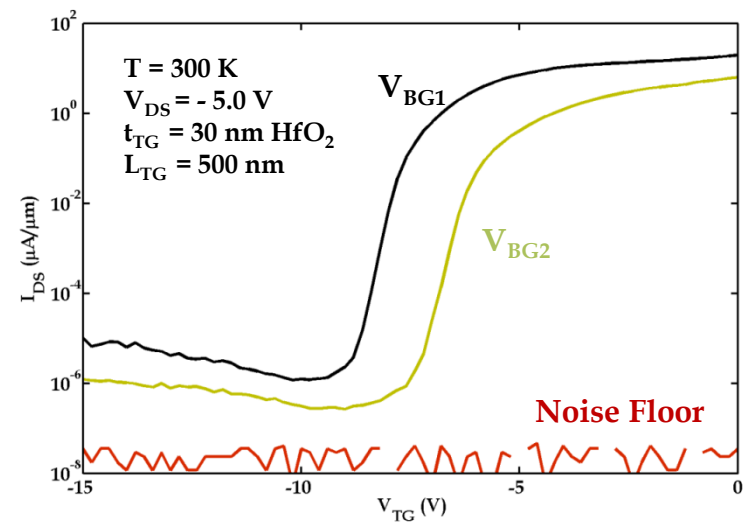
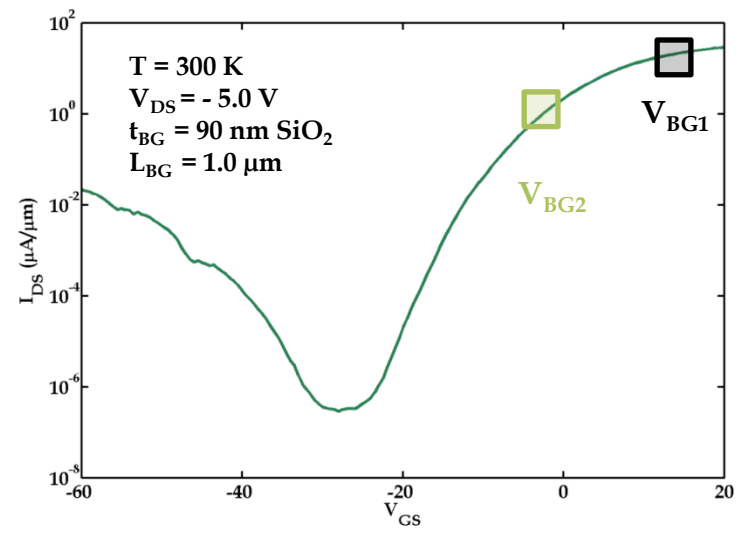
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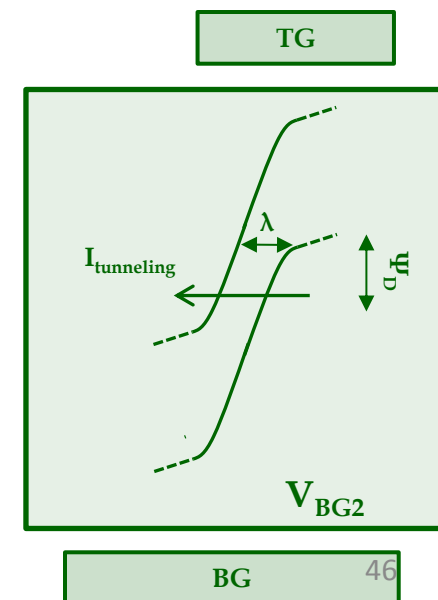
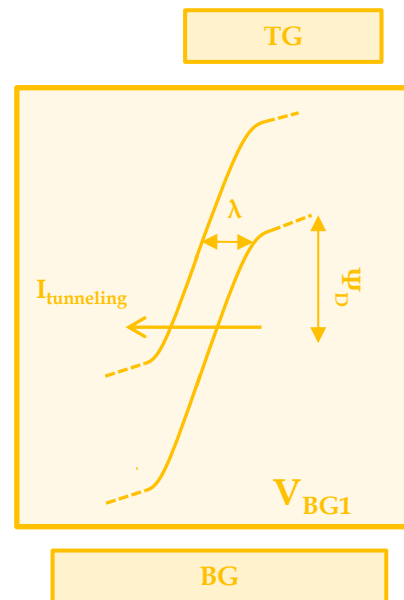
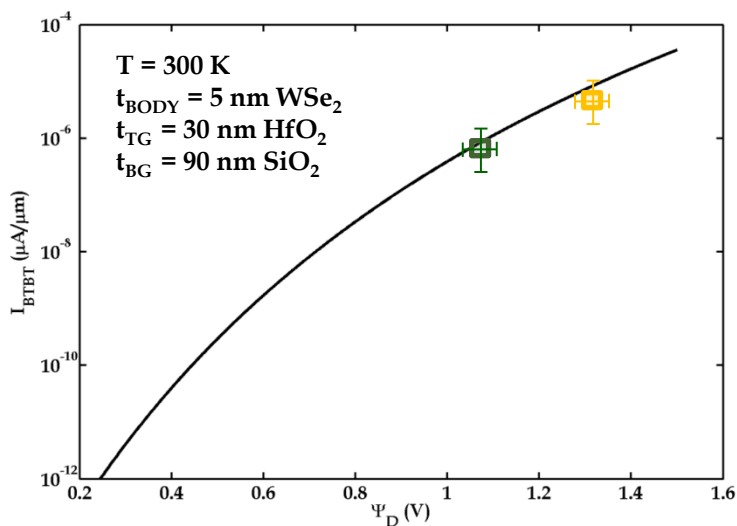
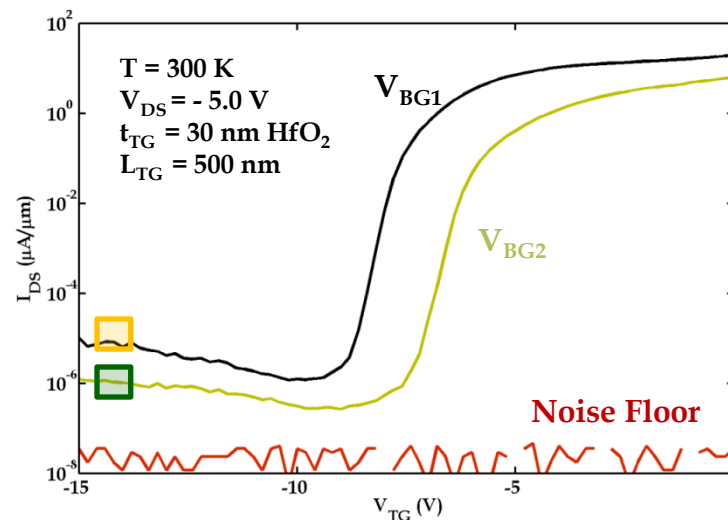
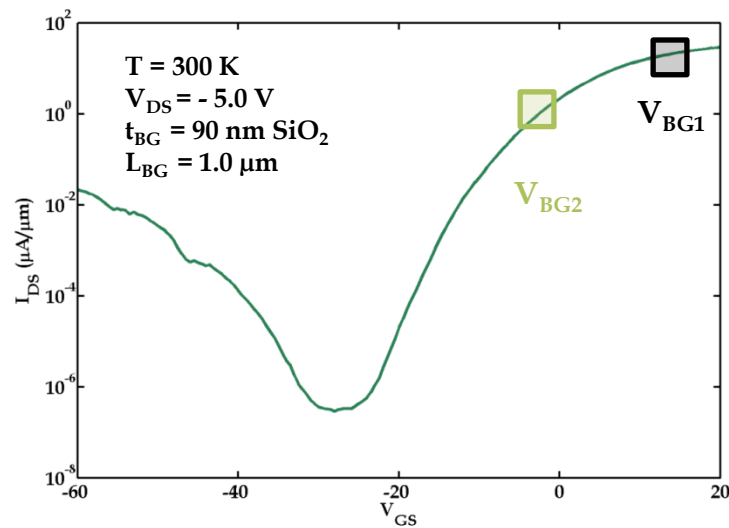
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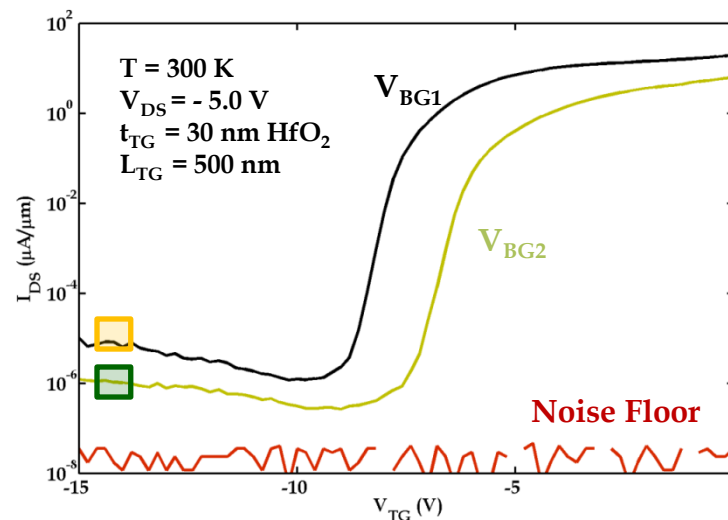
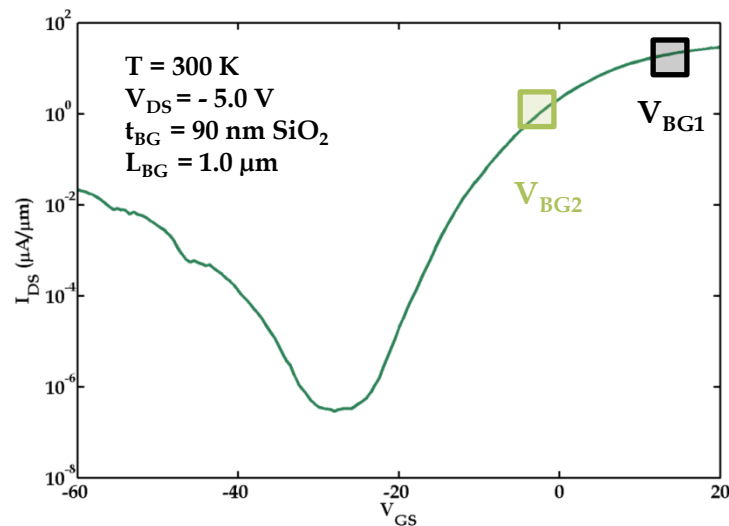


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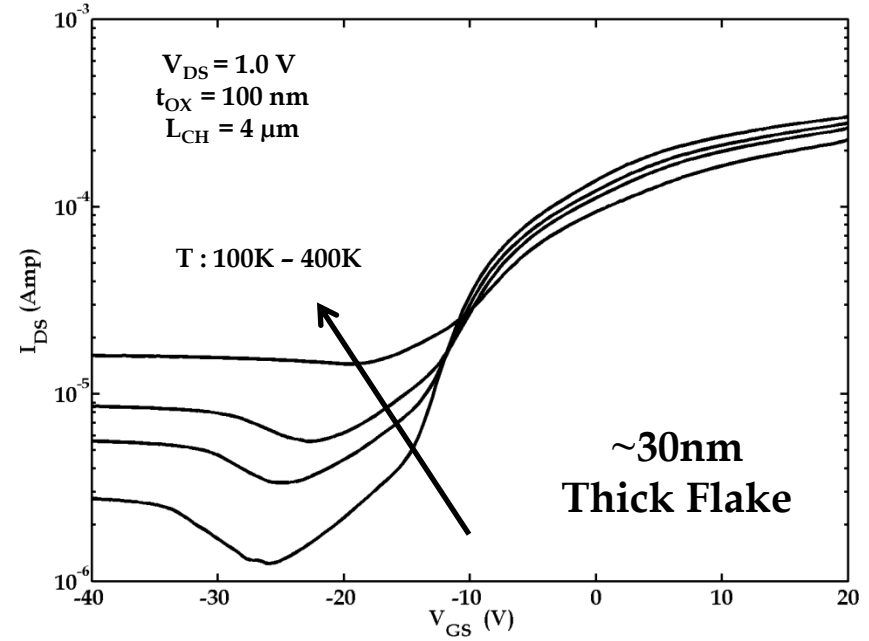
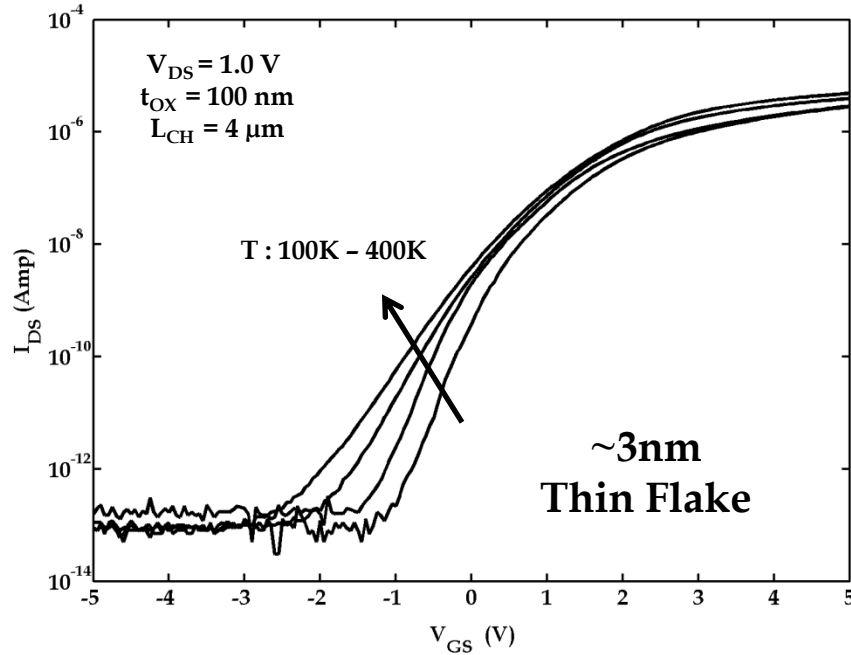
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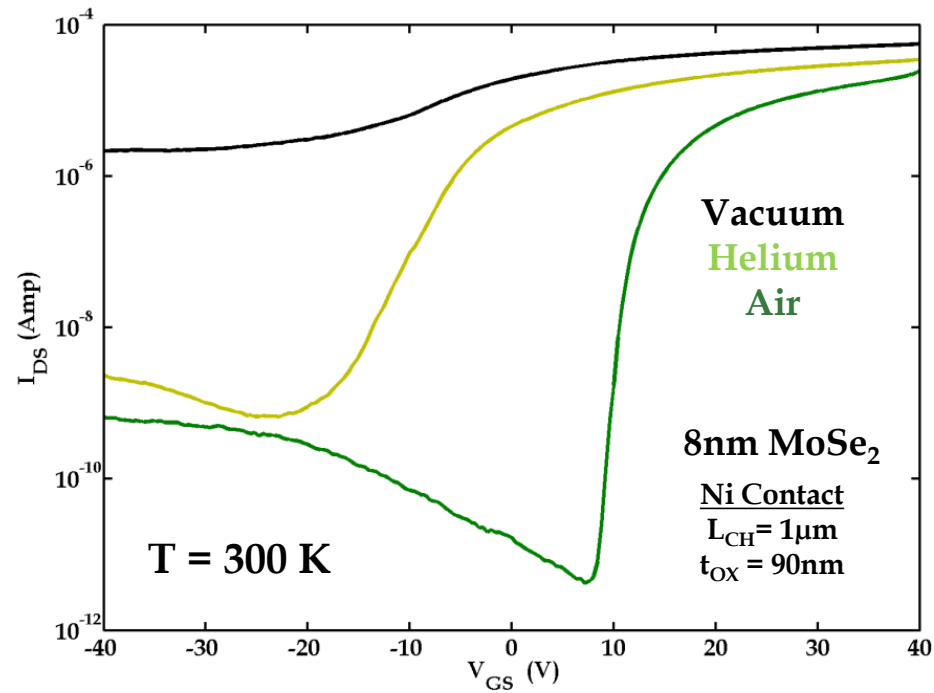


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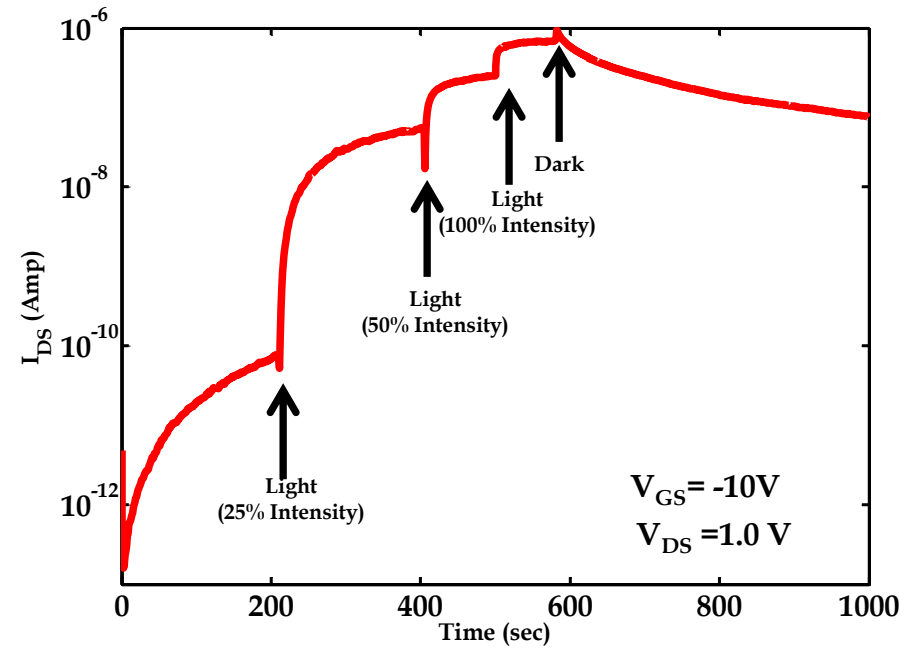
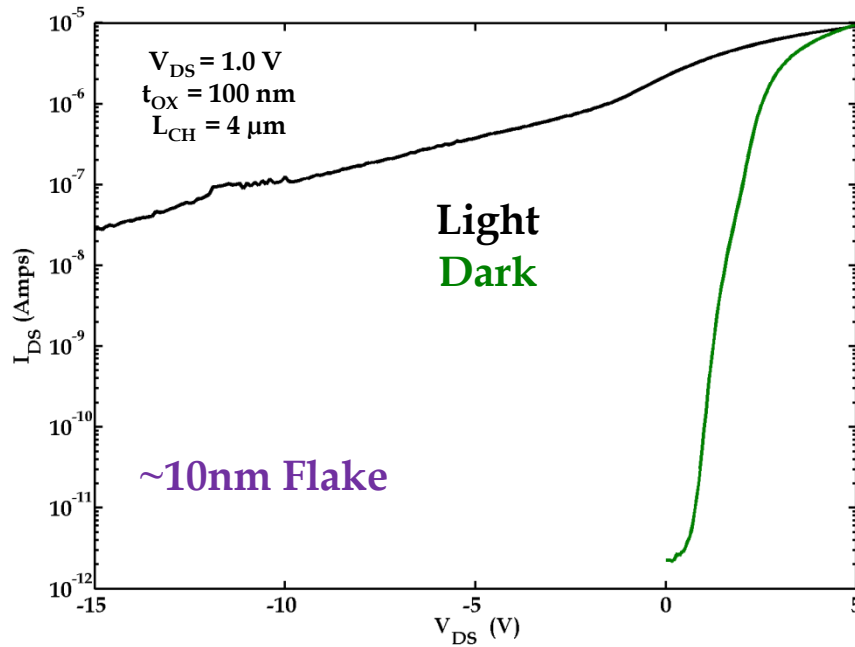
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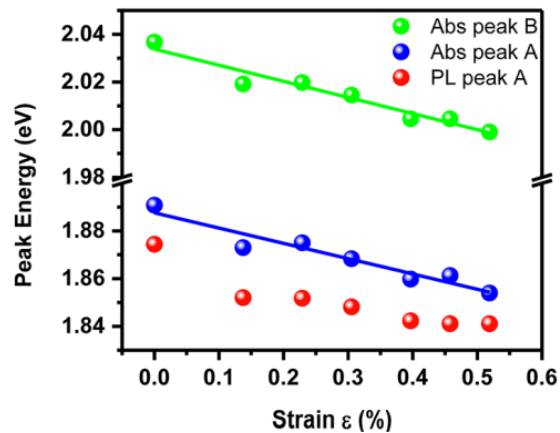
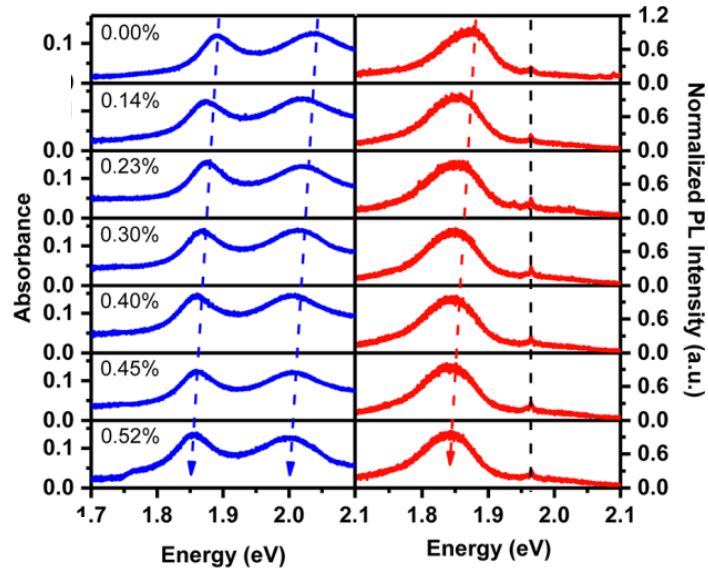
Thicker Flakes are extremely sensitive to Temperature Change



Extremely sensitive to Environment



Extremely sensitive to Light



Band gap Engineering through Strain

Strain Induced Metal Insulator Transition

Conclusion

1. What is Unique about TMDs ?

- ✓ Natural 2D System.
- ✓ Exfoliation gives easy access to pristine quality of the material.
- ✓ For the first time **Semiconductors** with **d-orbital** electronics.

2. Exploring Transistors based on TMDs

- ✓ How to make good quality **Contact**
- ✓ How to optimize layer thickness
- ✓ **Scalability** beyond 10nm CMOS node
- ✓ Where does the Current flow in layered systems
- ✓ Flexible Electronics

3. Tunneling Phenomenon in TMDs

- ✓ Schottky Barrier **Tunneling** in MoS_2
- ✓ Band to Band **Tunneling** in WSe_2
- ✓ Projection for TFETs based on TMDs

4. Extreme Sensitivity of TMDs to External Forces

- ✓ Temperature, Pressure, Light and Strain changes electronic transport in TMDs

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