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• Content

- Introduction
- Overview of Technologies
- Layout
- Design Rules and Abstraction
- Cell Design and Euler Paths
- System Design using Standard Cells
- Pass Transistor Circuits
- Storage
- PLAs
- Wider View

Assessment 10% Coursework (L-Edit Gate Layout) 90% Examination Books Digital Integrated Circuits Jan Rabaey Prentice-Hall Integrated Circuit Design a.k.a. Principles of CMOS VLSI Design - A Circuits and Systems Perspective Neil Weste & David Harris Pearson 2011 Notes & Resources http://users.ecs.soton.ac.uk/bim/notes/icd

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History

1947 First Transistor John Bardeen, Walter Brattain, and William Shockley (Bell Labs)
1952 Integrated Circuits Proposed Geoffrey Dummer (Royal Radar Establishment) - <i>prototype failed</i>
1958 First Integrated Circuit Jack Kilby (Texas Instruments) - <i>Co-inventor</i>
1959 First Planar Integrated Circuit Robert Noyce (Fairchild) - Co-inventor
1961 First Commercial ICs Simple logic functions from TI and Fairchild
1965 Moore's Law Gordon Moore (Fairchild) observes the trends in integration.

Moore's Law

Predicts exponential growth in the number of components per chip.

1965 - 1975 Doubling Every Year

In 1965 Gordon Moore observed that the number of components per chip had doubled every year since 1959 and predicted that the trend would continue through to 1975.

Moore describes his initial growth predictions as "ridiculously precise".

1975 - 201? Doubling Every Two Years

In 1975 Moore revised growth predictions to doubling every two years.

Growth would now depend only on process improvements rather than on more efficient packing of components.

In 2000 he predicted that the growth would continue at the same rate for another 10-15 years before slowing due to physical limits.

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Moore's Law; a Self-fulfilling Prophesy

The whole industry uses the Moore's Law curve to plan new fabrication facilities.

Slower - wasted investment

Must keep up with the Joneses².

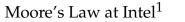
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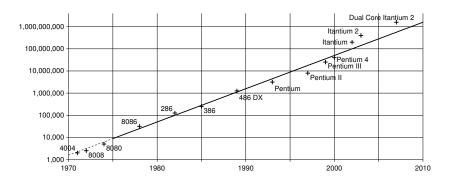
Cost of capital equipment to build ICs doubles approximately every 4 years.

²or the Intels

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¹Intel was founded by Gordon Moore and Robert Noyce from Fairchild