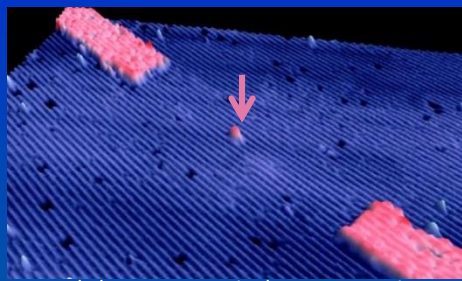


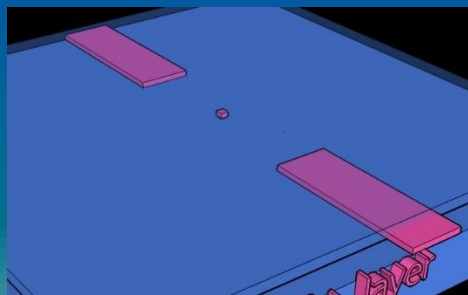
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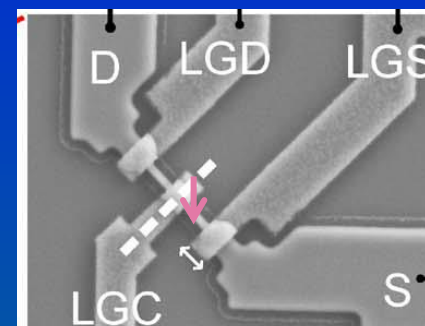


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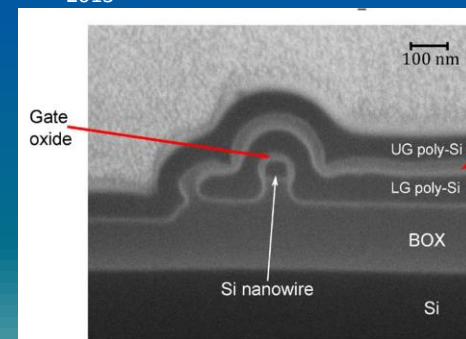


How do we

- Find and identify single atoms?
- Measure 500 000 000 coherence times?
- Quantify how strain produces devices?
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“I’d rather uncover less than cover more”

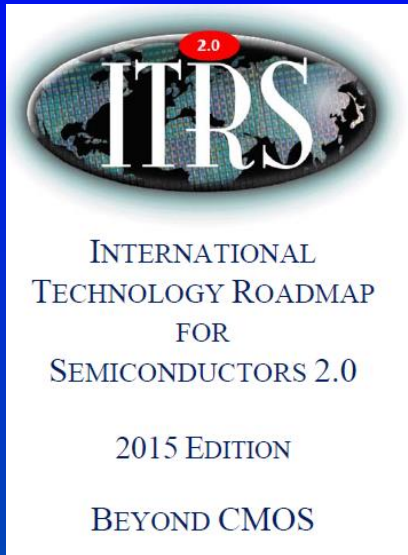
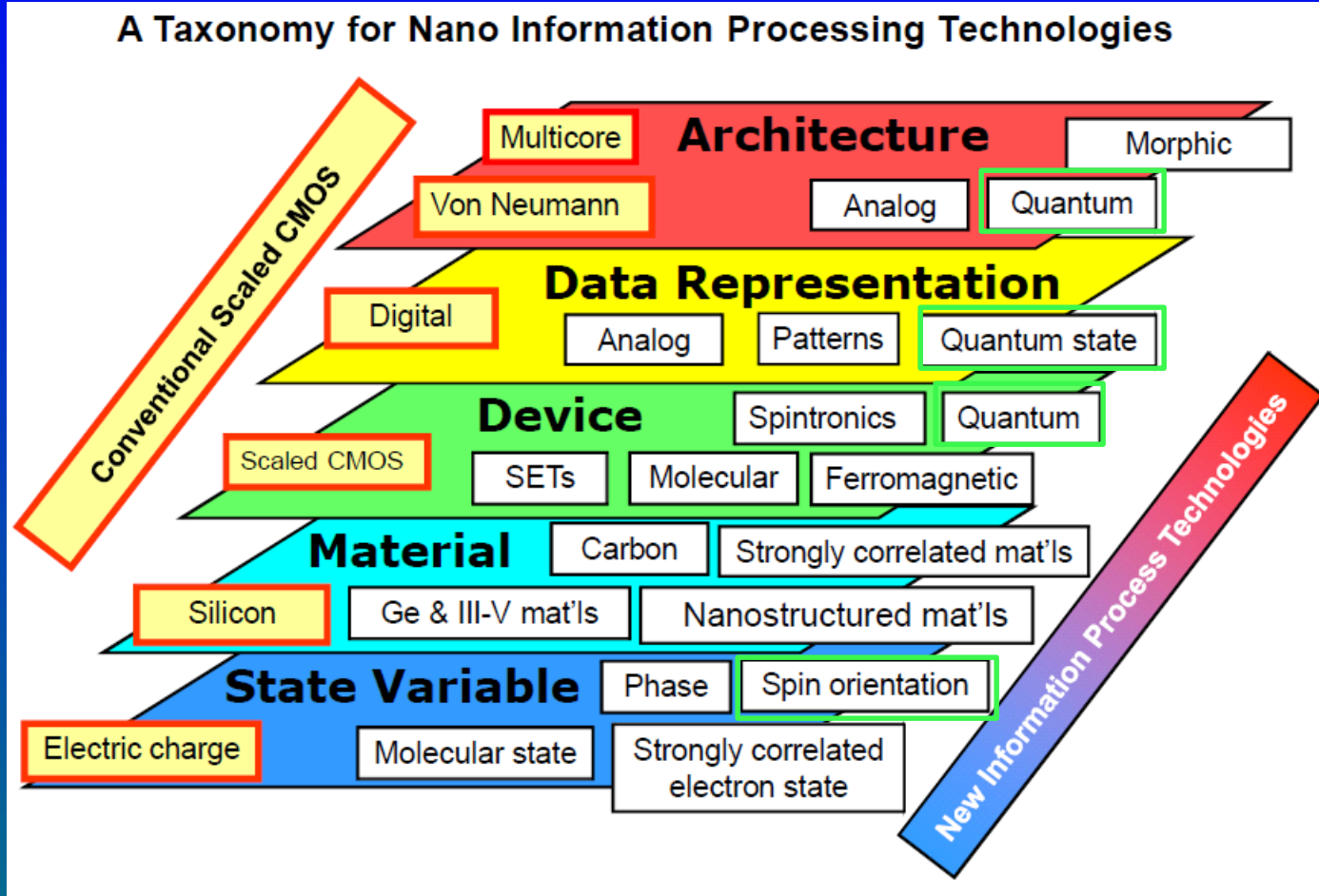


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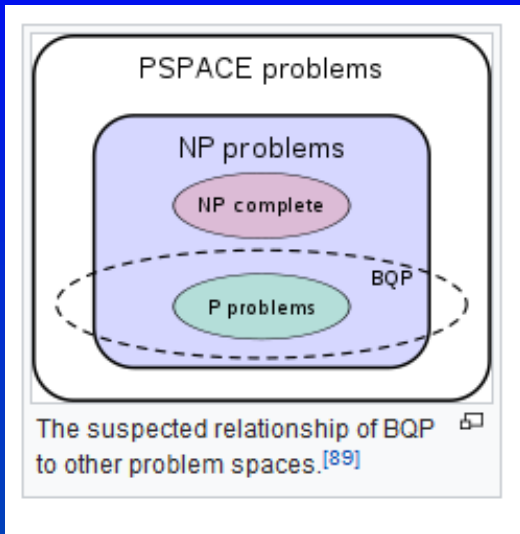
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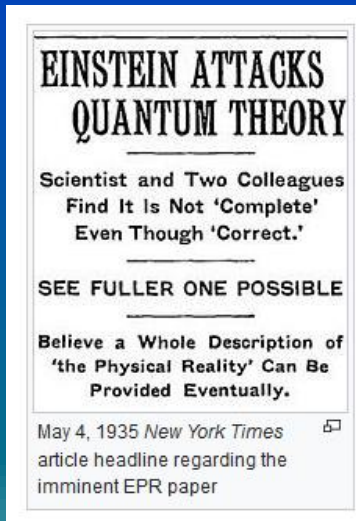


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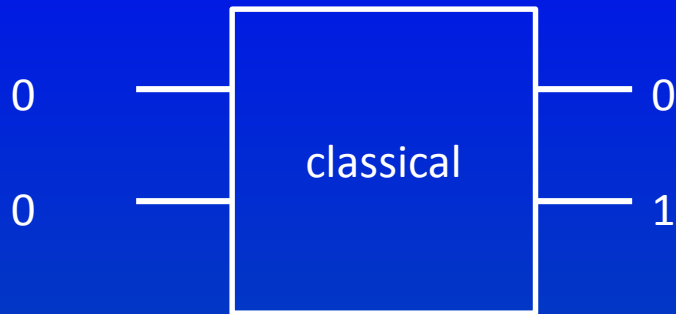
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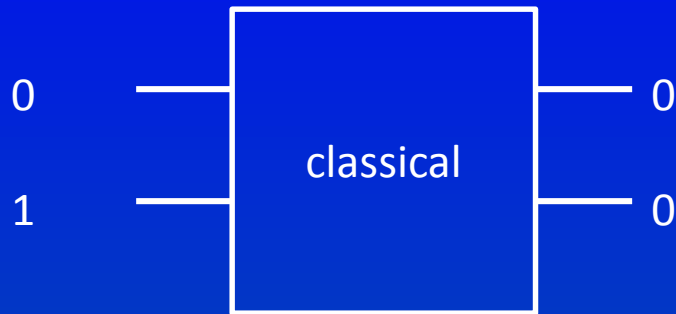


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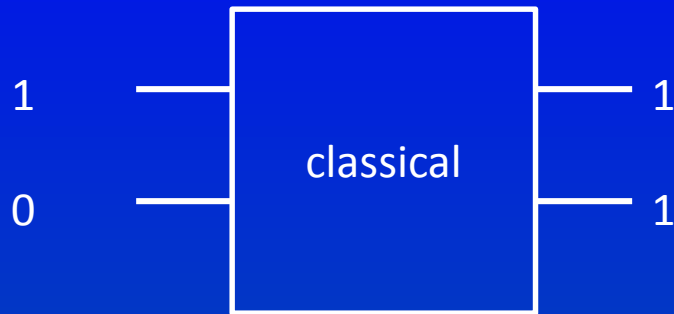
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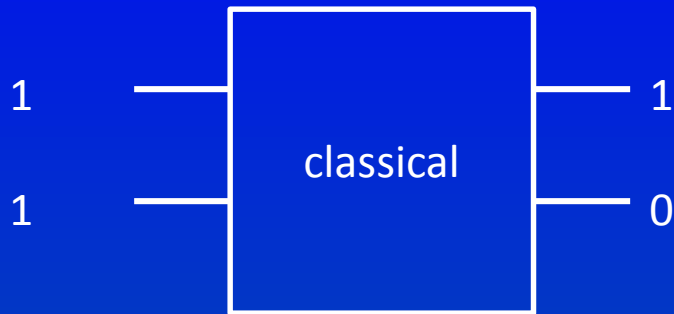
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- Decoherence destroys superposition (bad).

Some necessary items for a QC

- Si qubits with electron spin as the state variable (cf charge on the gate of a MOSFET switch)
 - Need $T_{\text{coherence}}/T_{\text{switch}} > 10^3$ (assumes QEC).
 - Eg, switching time 1 ns
 - No decoherence for 1 μs
 - Need up to 500 million qubits all operating correctly
 - No decoherence
 - No drift or other gross problems
 - Need up to 3×10^{13} (30 Tb) of classical bits
- Other candidates:
 - Atoms and ions
 - Superconducting qubits
 - ...

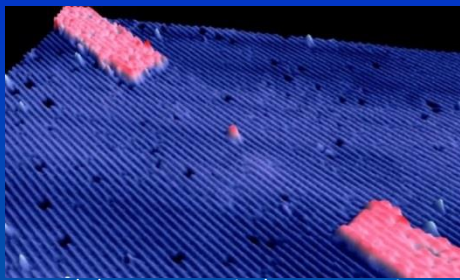
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Two prototypes of Si qubits

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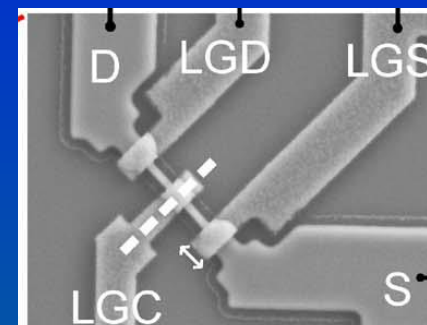
Patterned P atoms
encased in Si



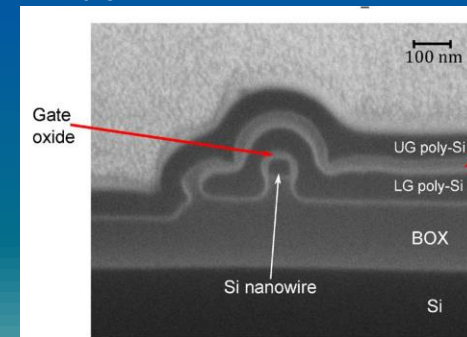
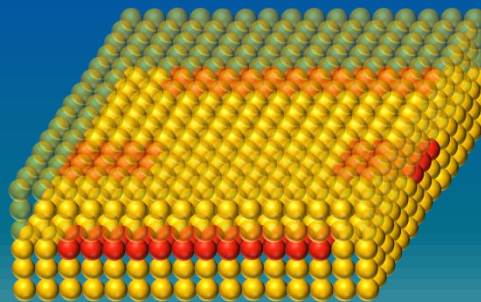
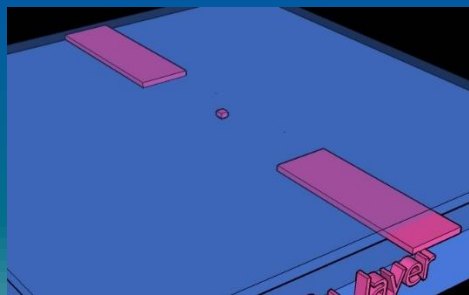
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“quantum dot”

Si/SiO₂ multi-gate
multi-layer MOSFET

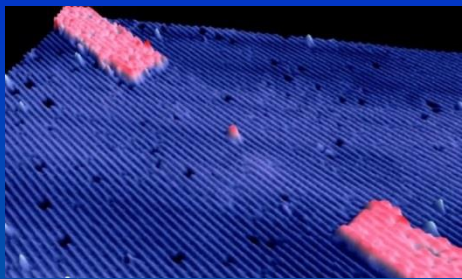


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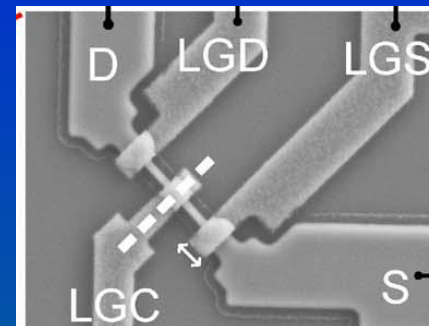
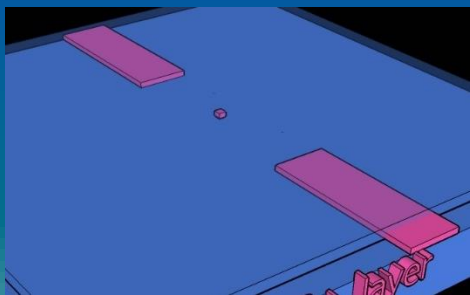


A smattering of metrology and characterization needs

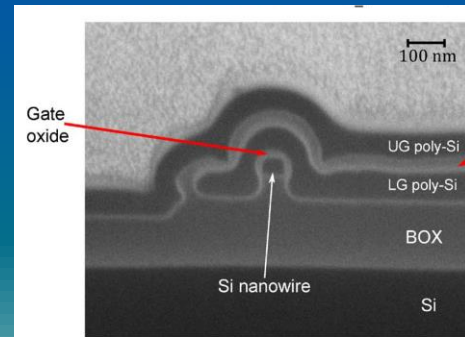
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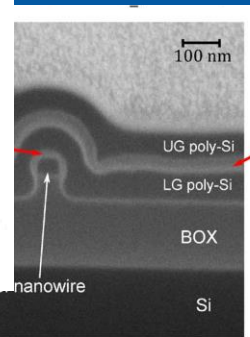
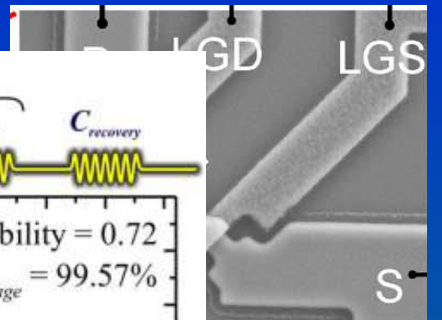
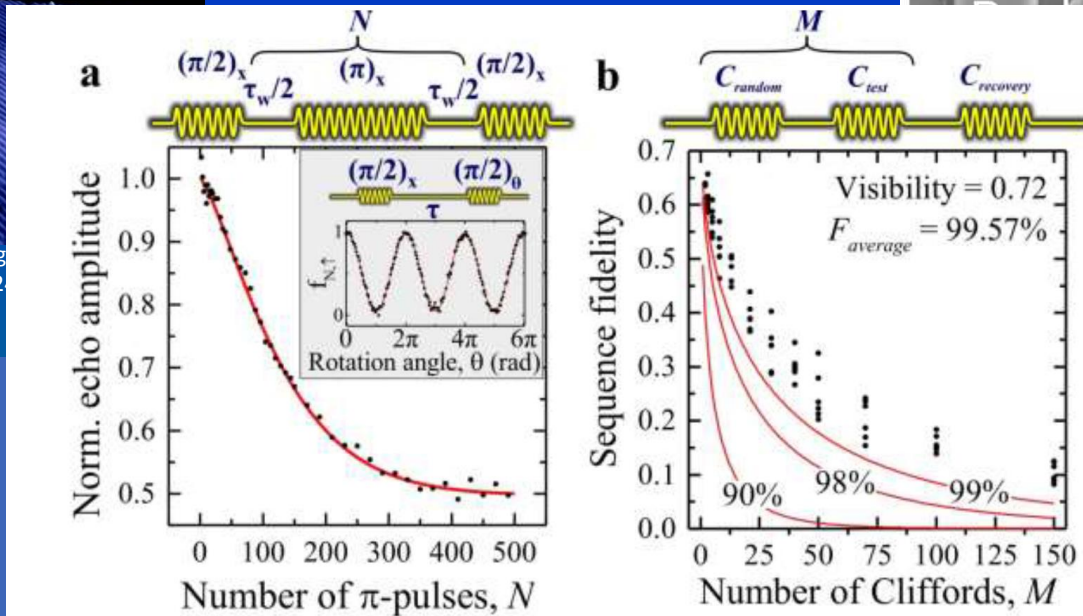
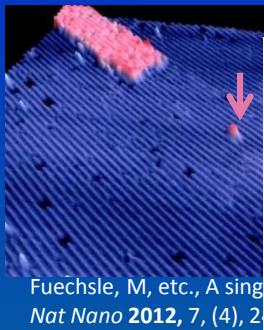


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A smattering of needs: Decoherence measurements

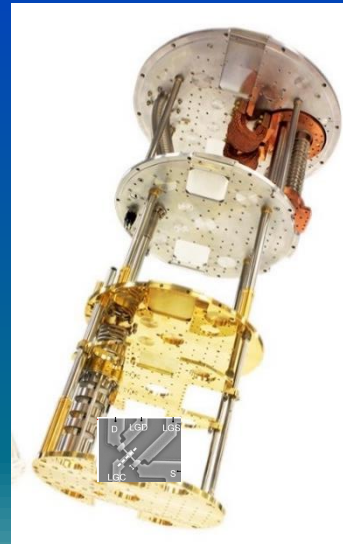
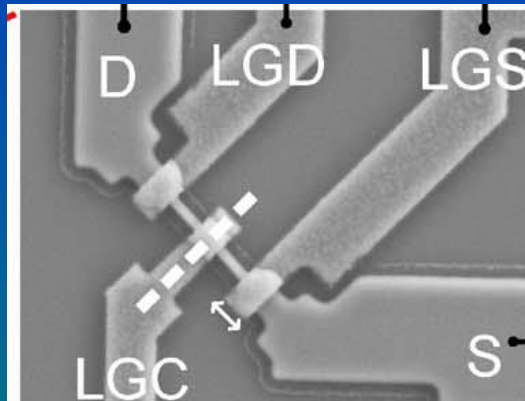
- Decoherence measurements – need 99.9% fidelity
 - For a single qubit, need to repeat 100's of microwave pulses 1000's of times
 - For 500 000 000 qubits?!?



Veldhorst et al, Nature Nanotech 2014

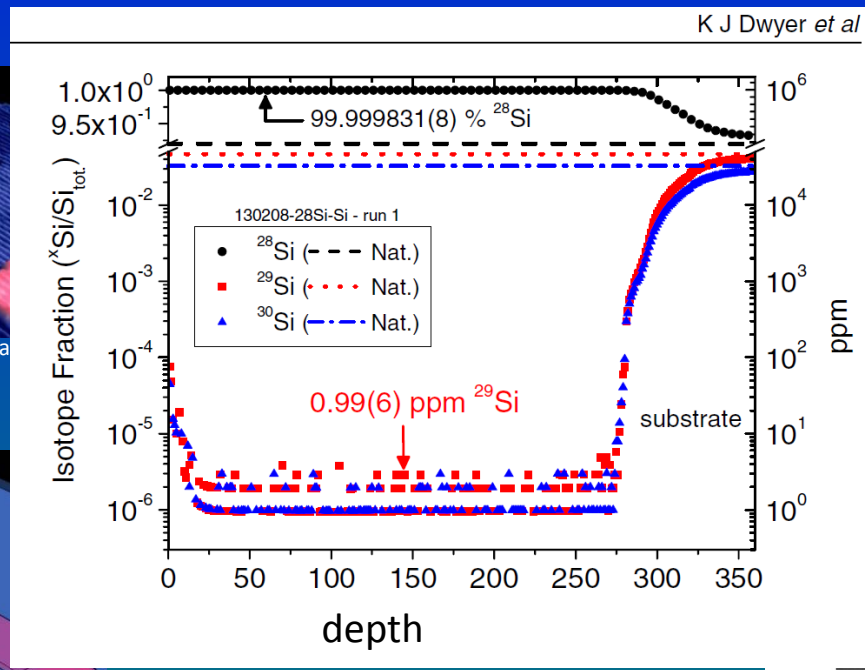
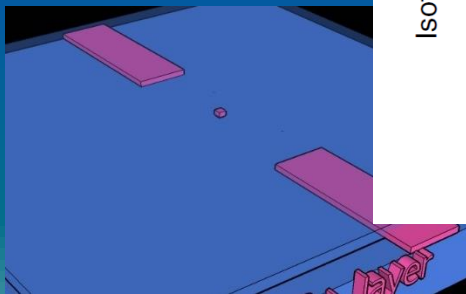
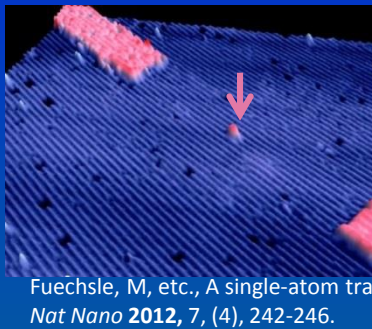
Aside: Everything is harder at low temperatures

- Many of the measurements we discuss must be done at low temperatures.
 - Limited number of leads
 - Can't see inside dewar
 - Power < 1 mW \Rightarrow current < 1 μ A!

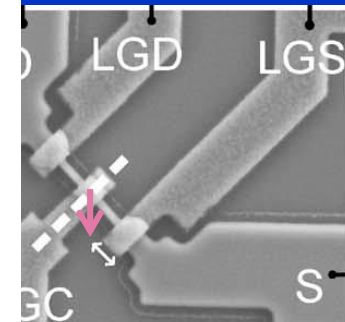


A smattering of needs: ^{28}Si isotopic enrichment

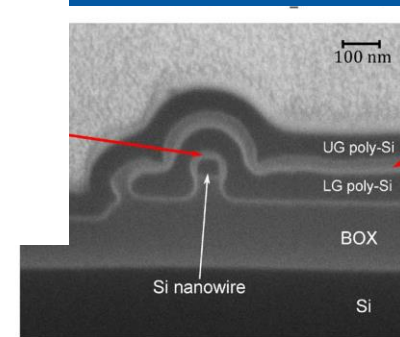
- Spin qubits were in GaAs, but nuclear spins cause decoherence
- In Si, isotope 5% ^{29}Si (bad)
- Want $\ll 10^{-4}$ ^{29}Si – this SIMS measurement down to 1 ppm!



Dwyer et al, J Phys D 2014

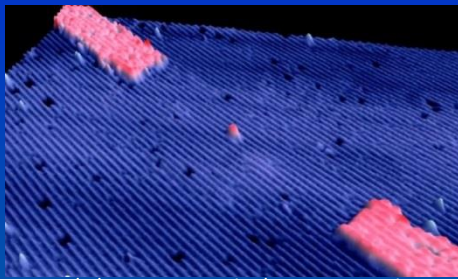


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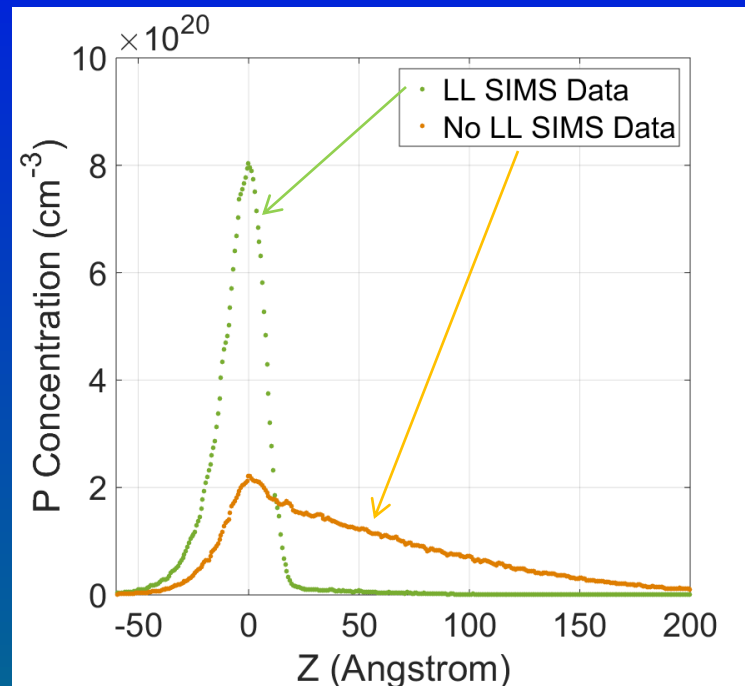
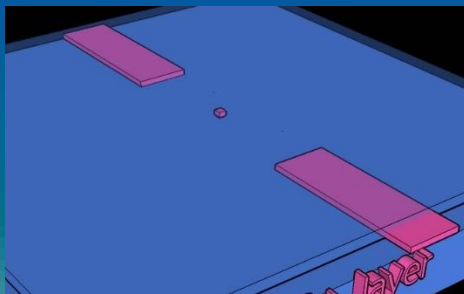


A smattering of needs: dopant “monolayer” thickness

- How do we measure the thickness of an epitaxial 1 nm layer?



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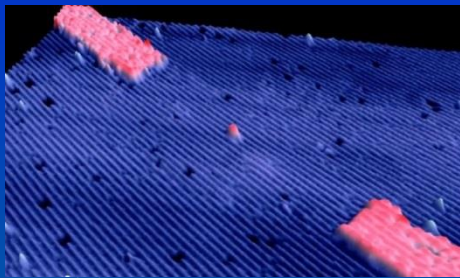


We believe the monolayer (green curve) is about 5 Å thick.

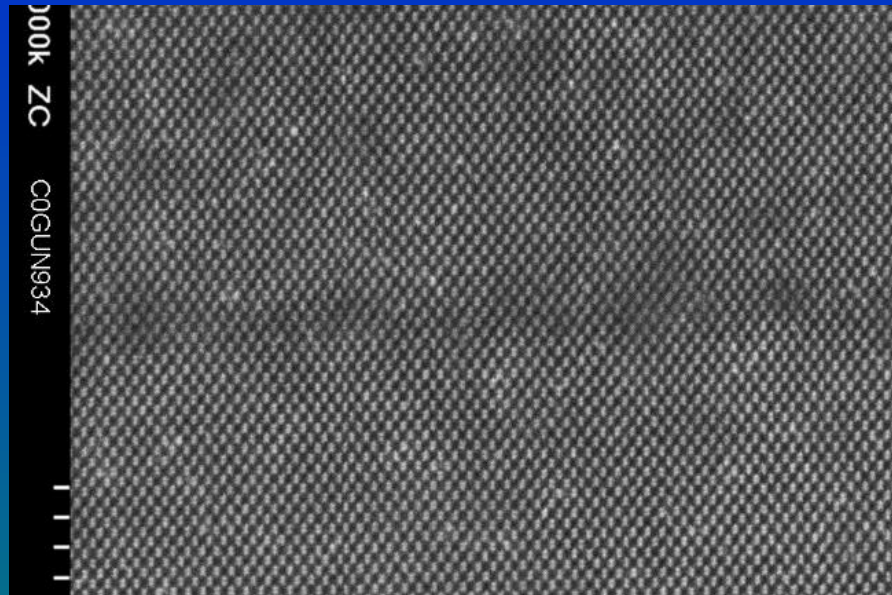
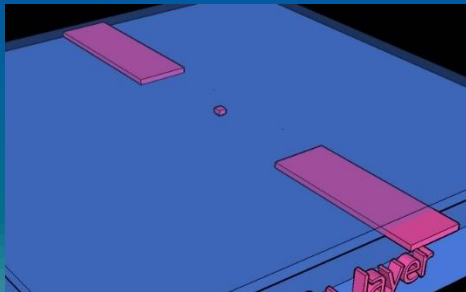
A smattering of needs: single atom overgrowth thickness, etc.

- We would like to characterize the Si overlayer
 - Thickness
 - Purity
 - Crystallinity, ...

But we don't know exactly where the overlayer starts!



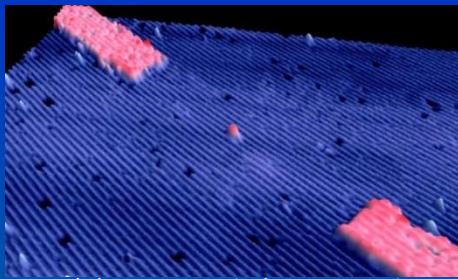
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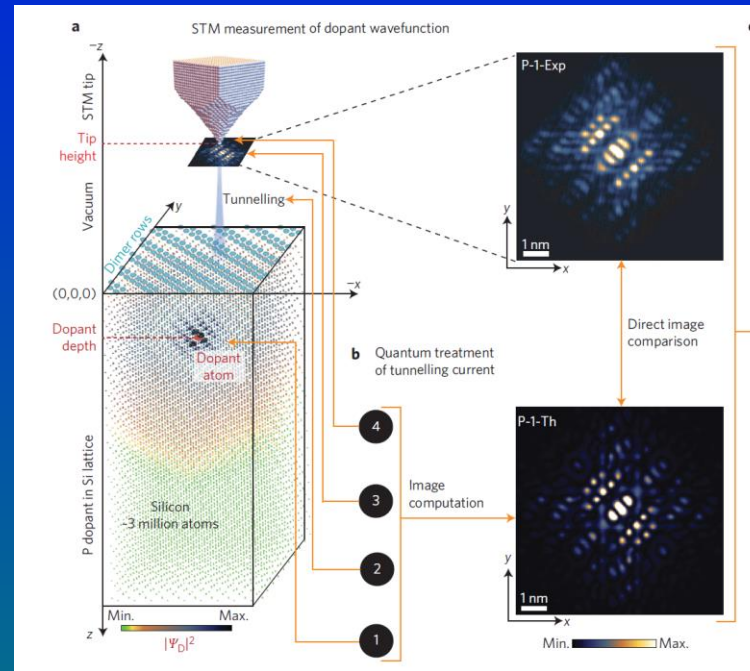
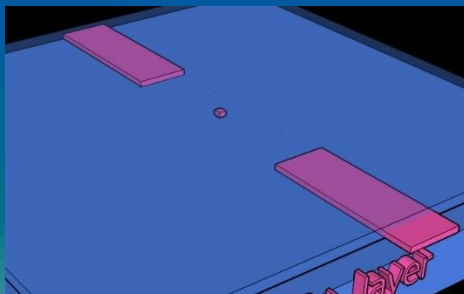
Si
 P+ monolayer?
 Si

A smattering of needs: single atom locations

- For CMOS now, and even more for single atom devices, knowledge of the location of every individual dopant is crucial



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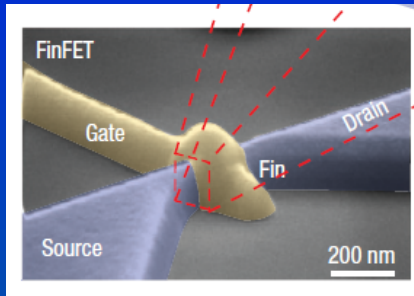


Usman et al, Nature Nanotech 2016

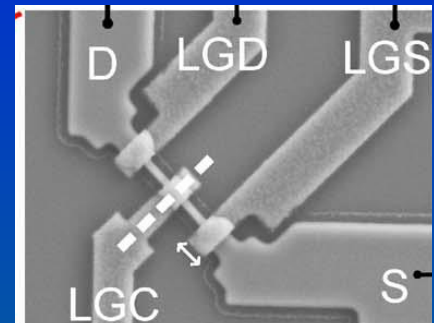
- STM imaging (slow)
- No deeper than 5 nm
- Required isolated dopant

A smattering of needs: dopant identification

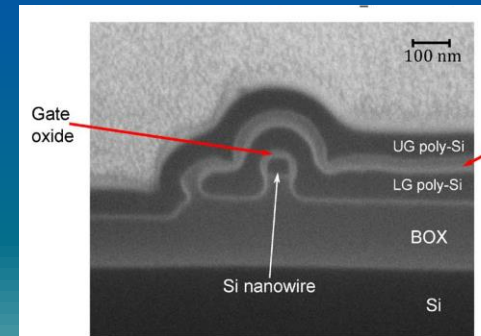
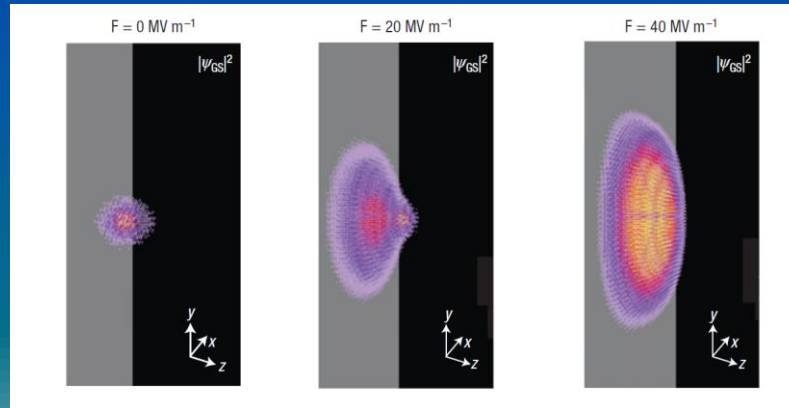
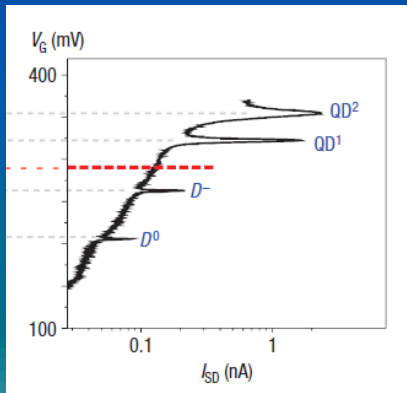
- Given background doping of wafers, we need to identify the species
- Can be done by comparing $I(V)$ and modelling



Lansbergen et al, Nature Phys 2008

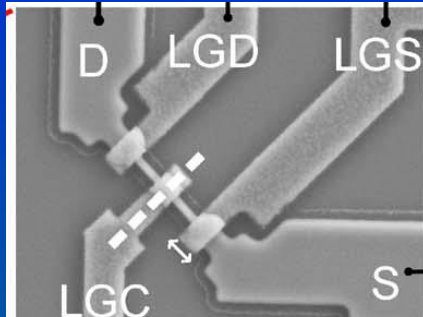


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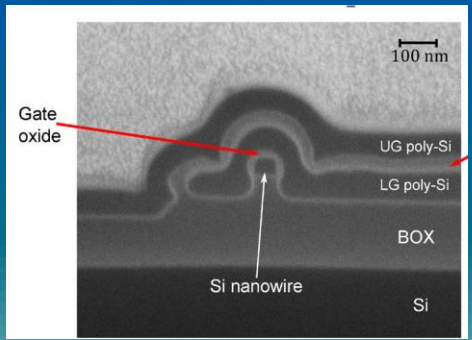


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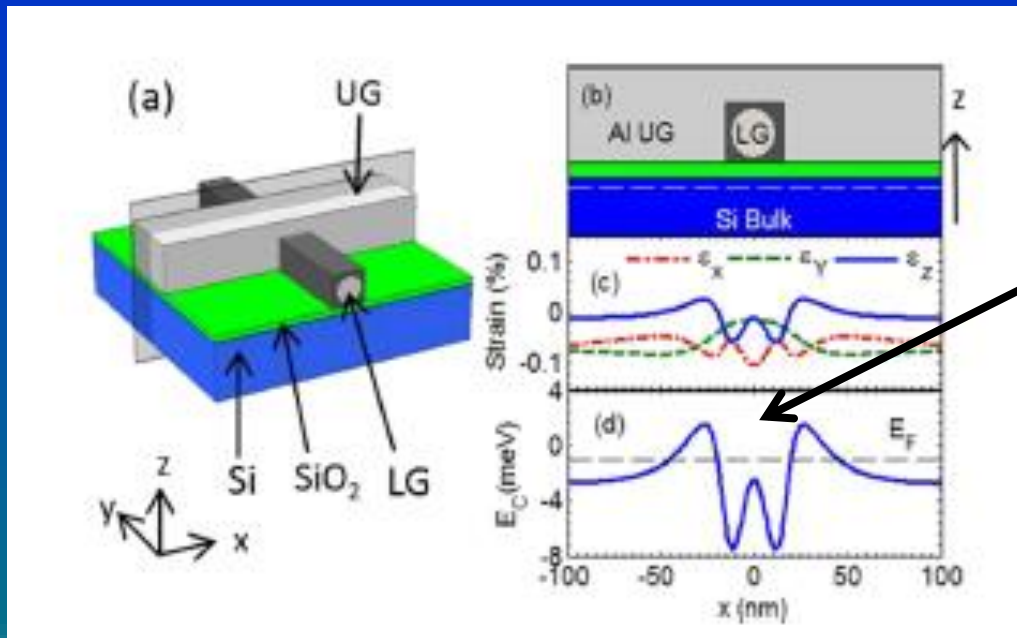


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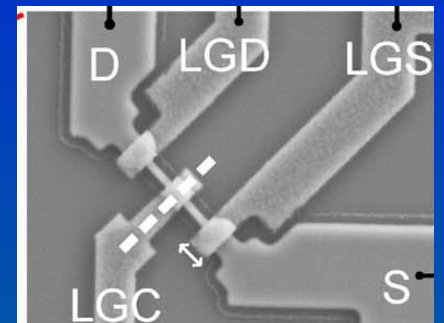
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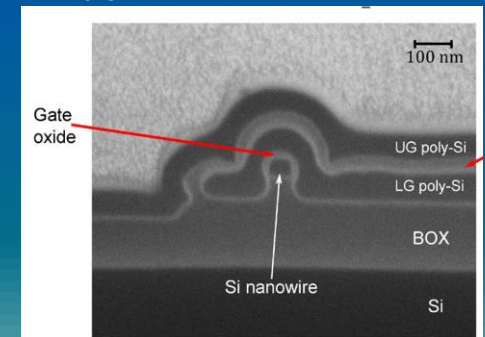


Thorbeck, Zimmerman, AIP Adv 2016

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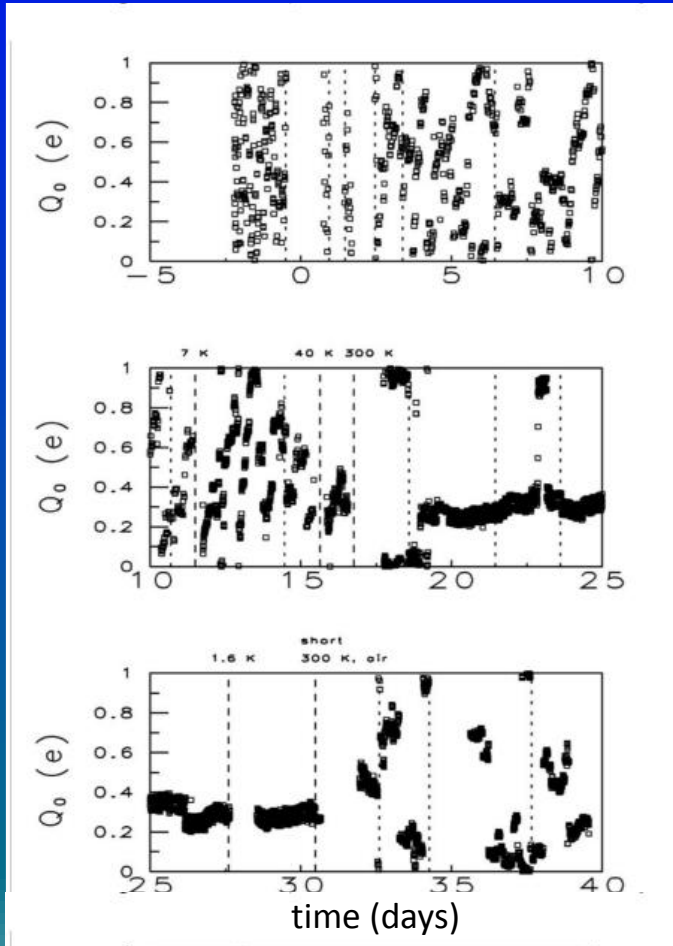


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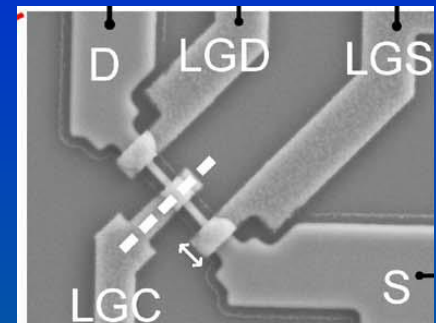


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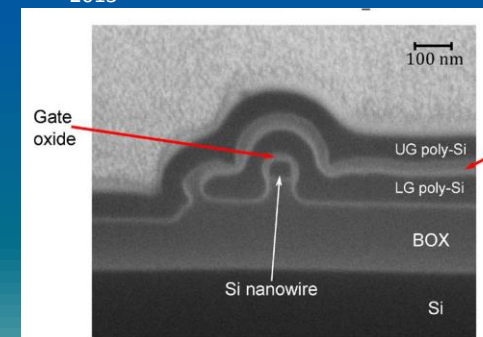
- “Charge offset drift” – similar to V_T shift



Stewart, Zimmerman, Appl. Sci. 2016



Koppinen, Stewart, Zimmerman, IEEE TED 2013



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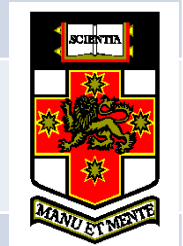
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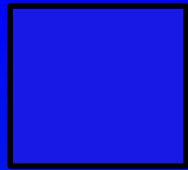
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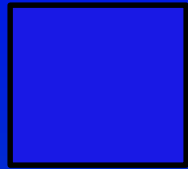
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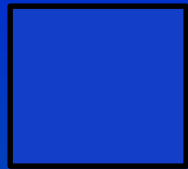
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