



SWITCHING ELEMENTS

They can work as:

- **blocking** (OFF) – very high resistance,
- **conducting** (ON) – very low resistance.

Already known:

- **diode**: reverse and forward polarisation,
- **FET transistor**: cut-off and conducting
- **BJT transistor**: cut-off and saturation



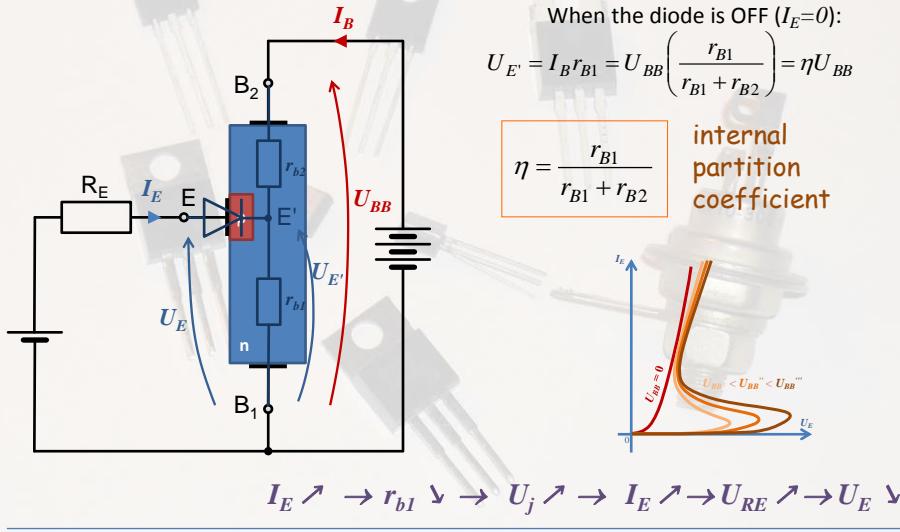
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**single junction transistor
dynistor, diac
thyristor, triac**



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SINGLE JUNCTION TRANSISTOR



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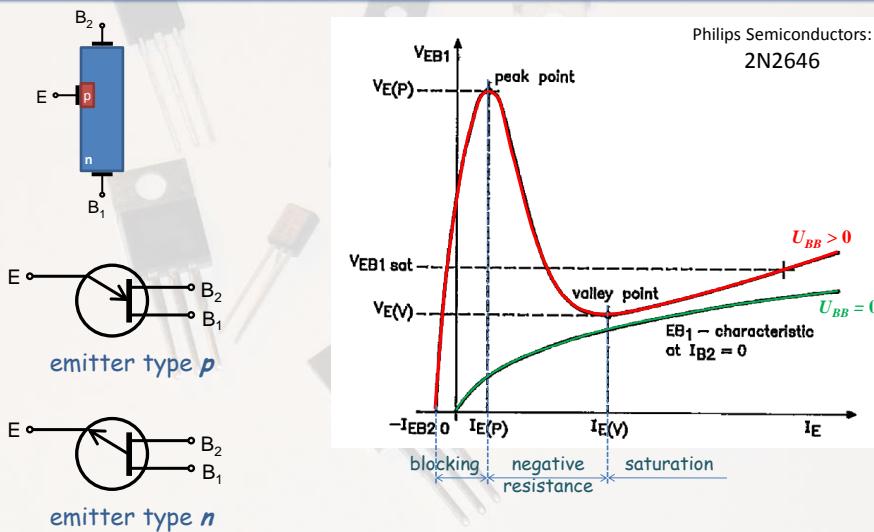
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SINGLE JUNCTION TRANSISTOR PARAMETERS



CHARACTERISTICS
 $T_{amb} = 25^\circ\text{C}$ unless otherwise specified.

Philips Semiconductors: 2N2646

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	UNIT
R_{BB}	static inter-base resistance	$V_{B2B1} = 3 \text{ V}$ $I_E = 0$	4.7	7	9.1	$\text{k}\Omega$
TC_{RBB}	inter-base resistance temperature coefficient	$V_{B2B1} = 3 \text{ V}$ $I_E = 0$ $T_{amb} = -55 \text{ to } 125^\circ\text{C}$	0.1	-	0.9	$^{\circ}\text{K}$
$-I_{EB2O}$	emitter cut-off current	$-V_{EB2} = 30 \text{ V}$ $I_{B1} = 0$	-	-	12	μA
V_{EB1sat}	emitter-base 1 saturation voltage	$V_{B2B1} = 10 \text{ V}$ $I_E = 50 \text{ mA}$	-	3.5	-	V
I_{B2mod}	inter-base current modulation	$V_{B2B1} = 10 \text{ V}$ $I_E = 50 \text{ mA}$	-	15	-	mA
η	input/output ratio (note 1)	$V_{B2B1} = 10 \text{ V}$	0.56	-	0.75	
I_{EV}	emitter valley point current	$V_{B2B1} = 20 \text{ V}$ $R_{B2} = 100 \Omega$	4	6	-	mA
I_{EP}	emitter peak point current	$V_{B2B1} = 25 \text{ V}$	-	1	5	μA
V_{OB1IM}	base 1 impulse/output voltage		3	5	-	V

Note

1. $\eta = \frac{(V_{EP} - V_{EB})}{V_{B2B1}}$, when V_{EP} = emitter peak point voltage, V_{EB1} = emitter-base 1 breakdown voltage, (approximately 0.5 V at 10 μA), and V_{B2B1} = inter-base voltage.

negative
resistance
range

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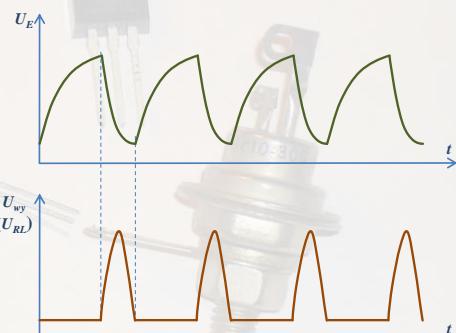
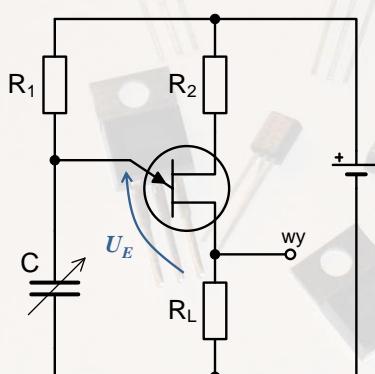
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SINGLE JUNCTION TRANSISTOR APPLICATIONS



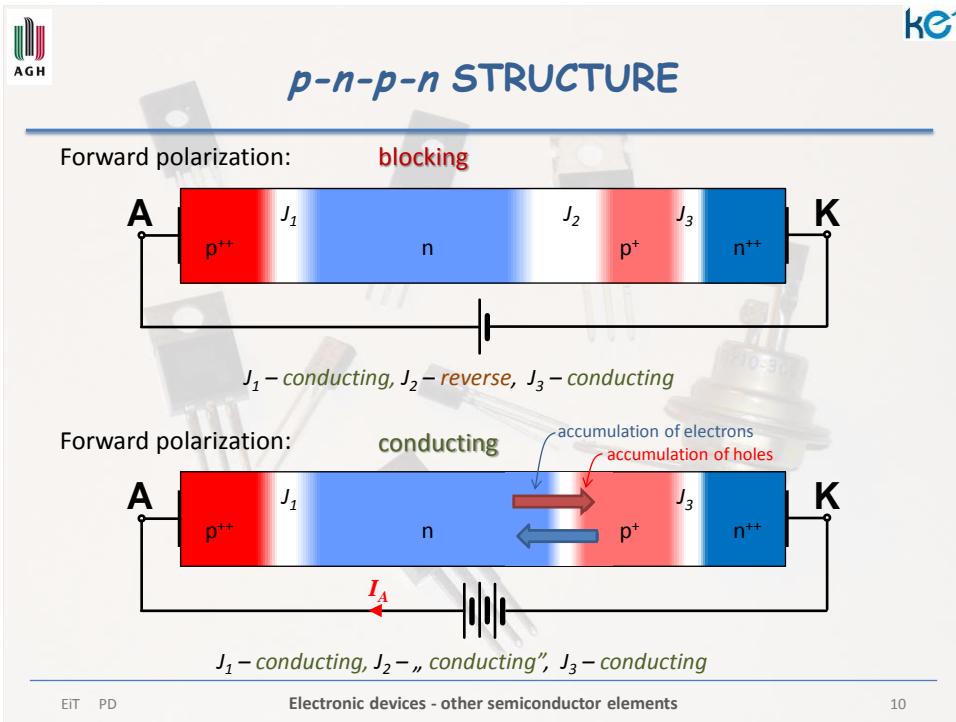
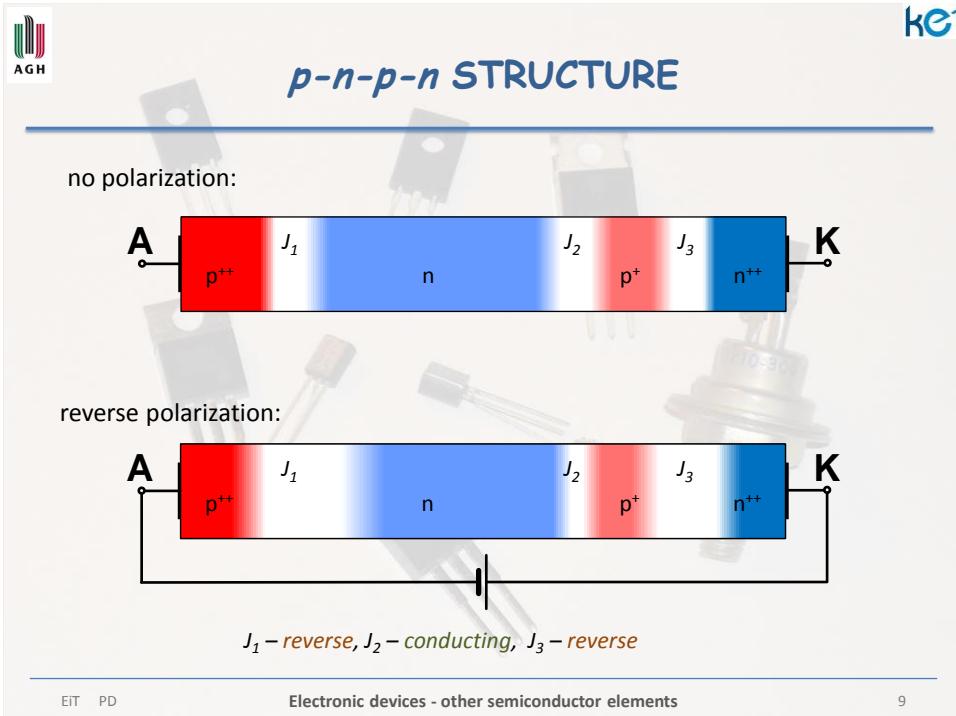
Oscillator – the use of negative resistance

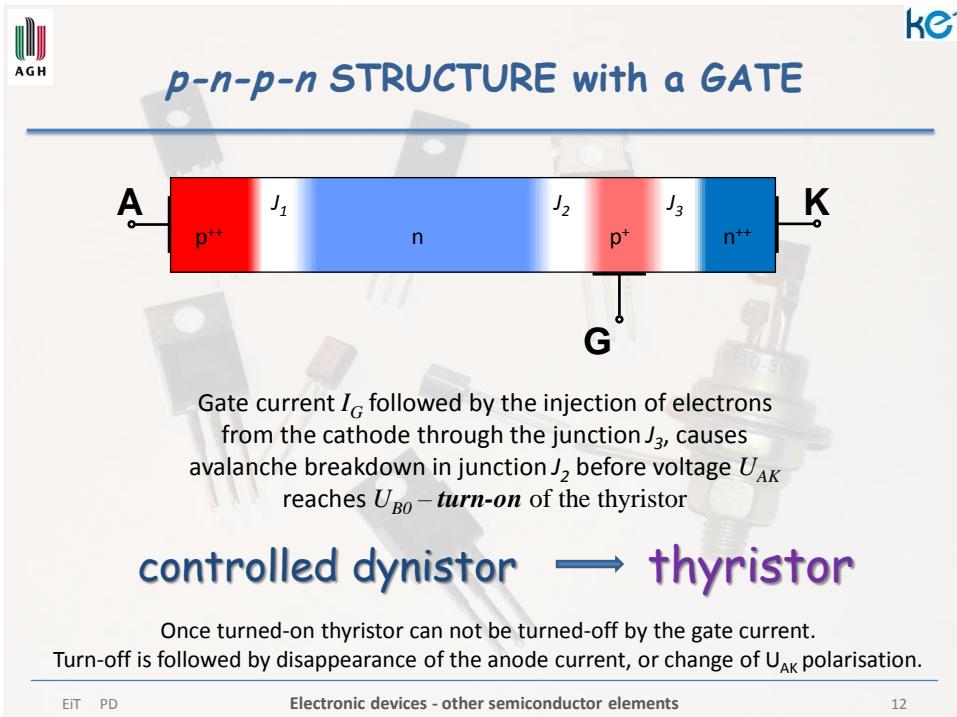
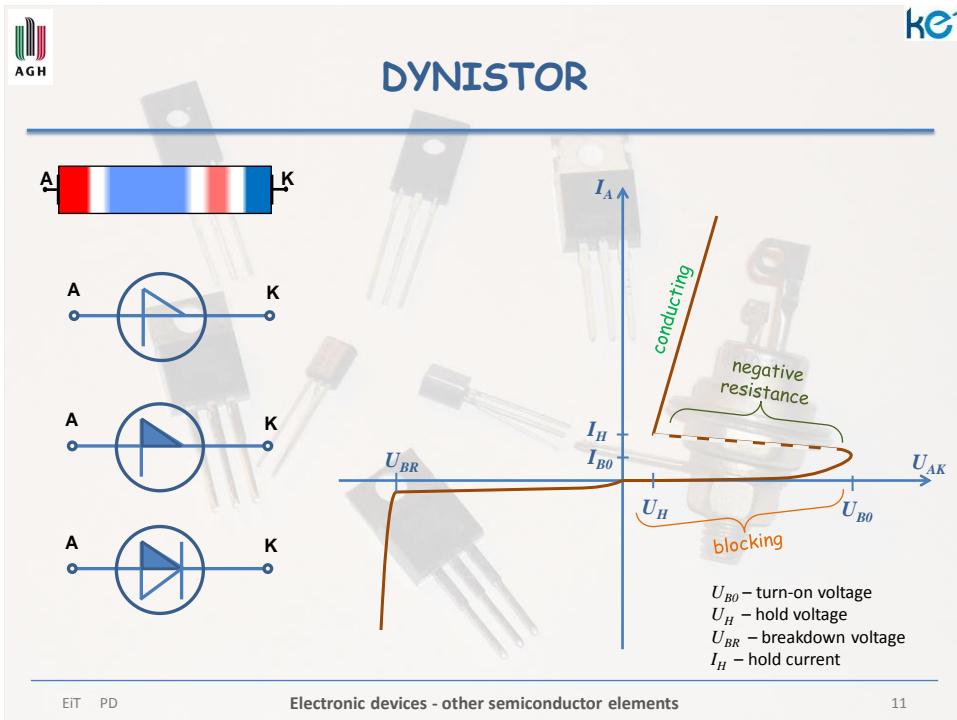


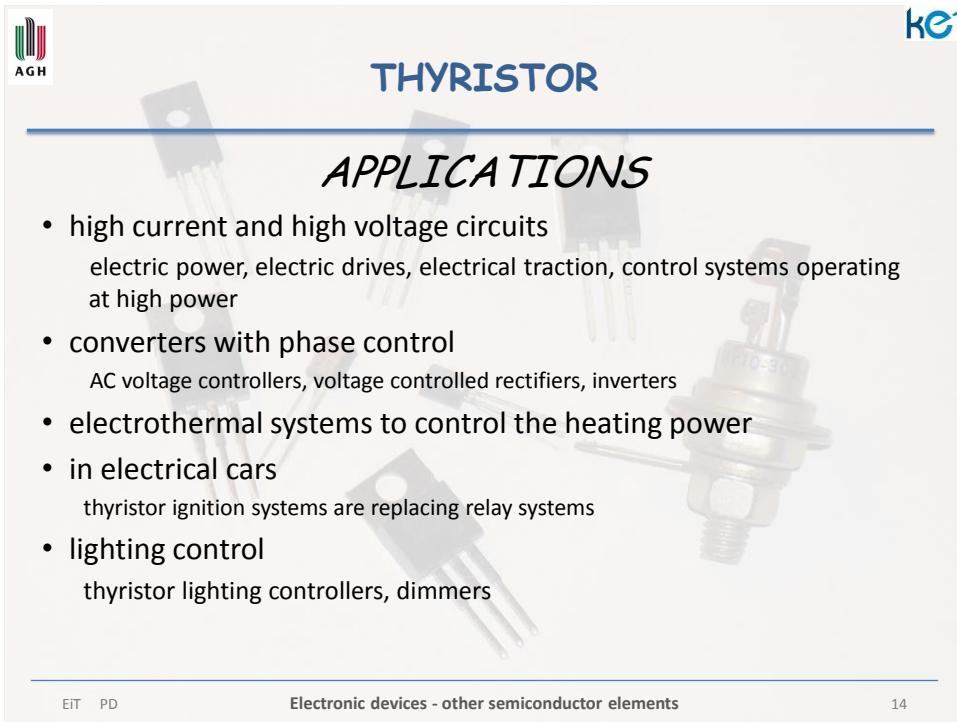
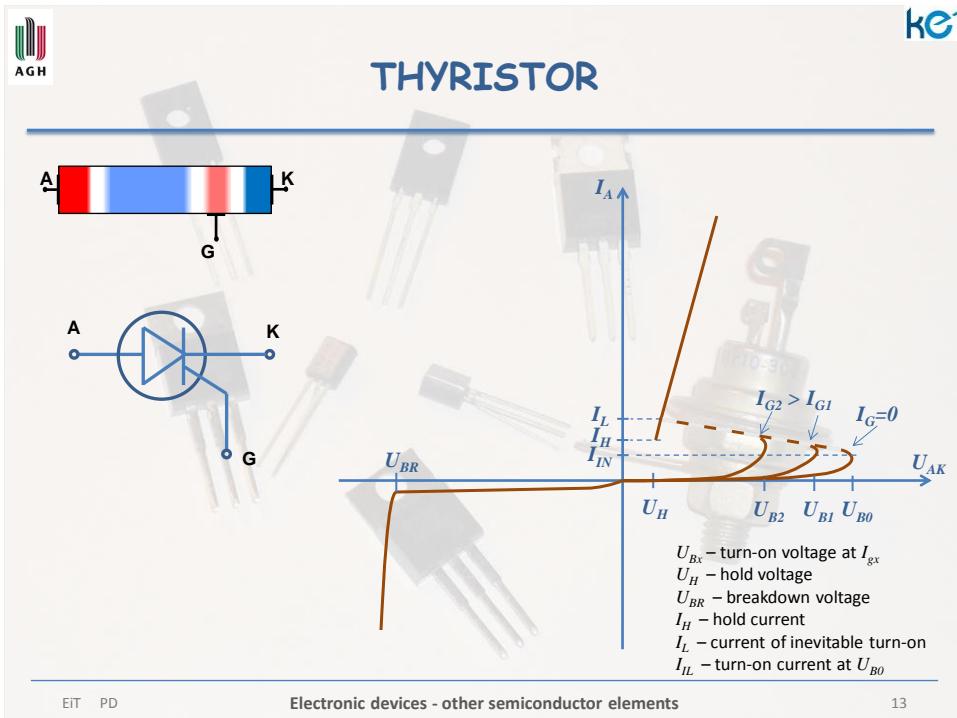
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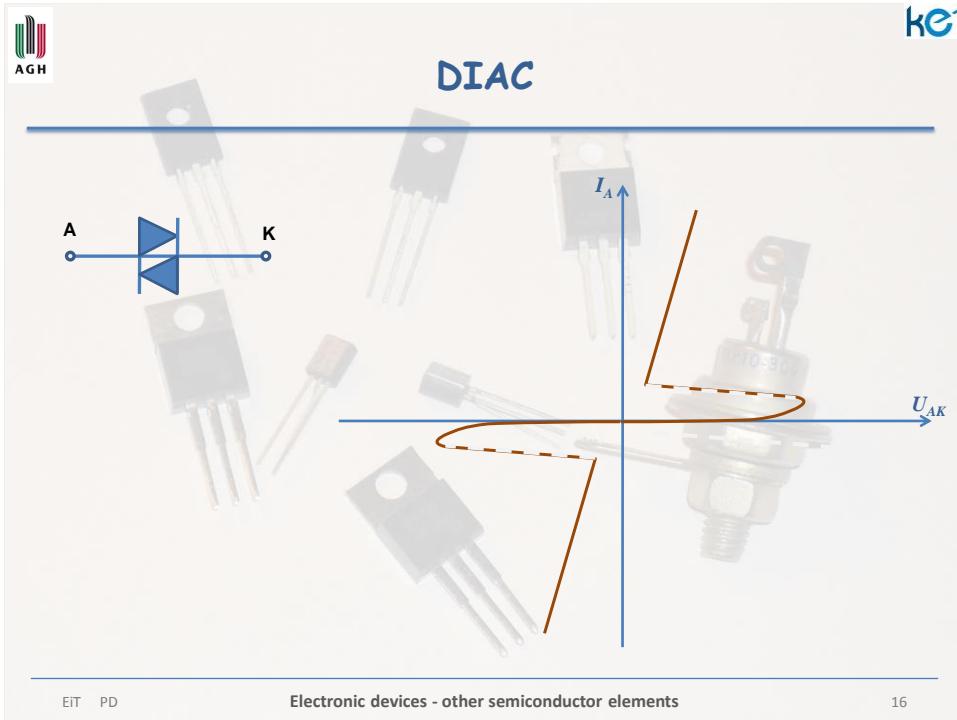
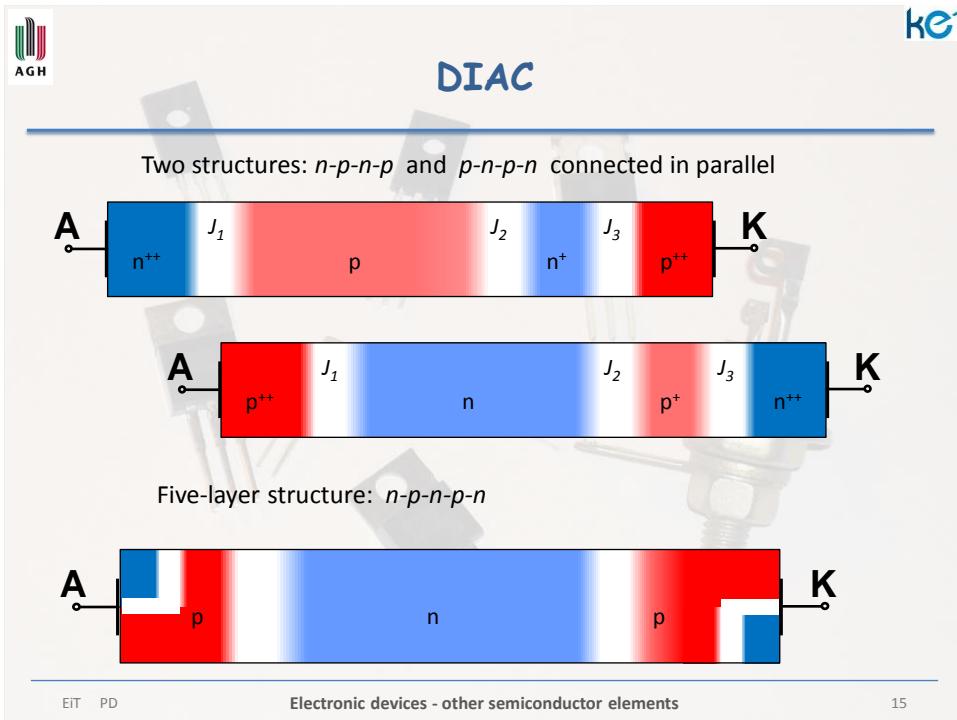
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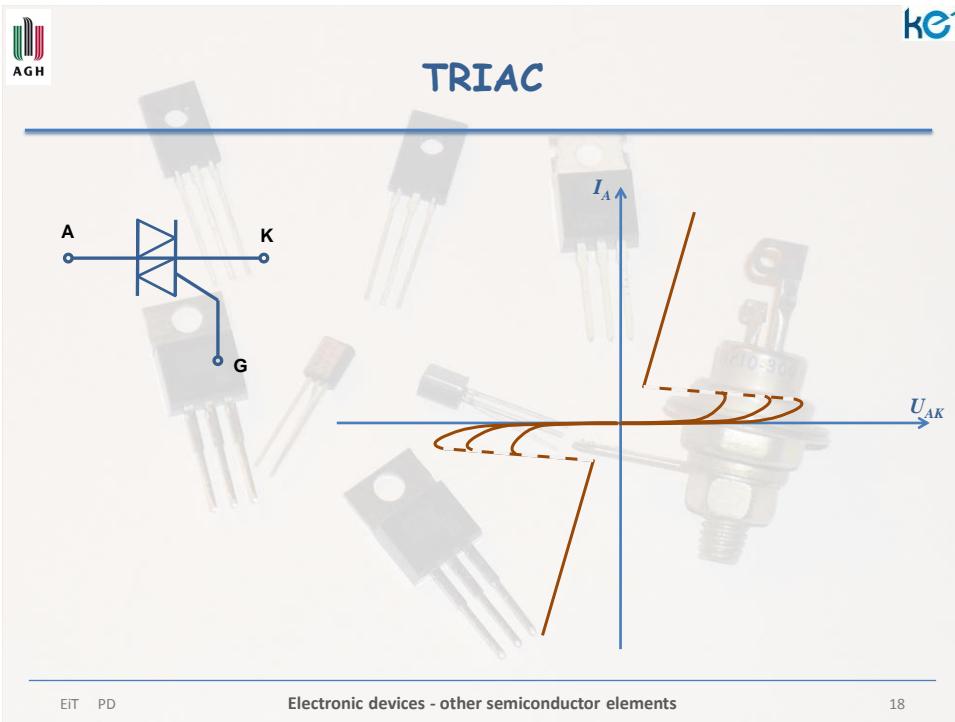


TWO THYRISTORS - TRIAC

Five-layer structure: $n-p-n-p-n$ with a gate

The diagram illustrates the internal structure of a TRIAC, which consists of two back-to-back thyristors sharing a common p-layer. The structure is labeled as having a five-layer $n-p-n-p-n$ configuration with a gate (G). The layers are color-coded: blue for n-type and red for p-type. The diagram shows the A (Anode), K (Cathode), and G (Gate) terminals. The internal regions are labeled n, p, and n from left to right. The gate terminal G is connected to the p-layer between the two n-type regions.

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JUNCTIONLESS SEMICONDUCTOR COMPONENTS

varistor, thermistor, photoresistor,
piezoresistor, piezoelectric resonator,
hallotron, magnetoresistor

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VARISTOR

Solid-state non-linear resistor with a strong dependence of **resistance** against **voltage**

VDR – Voltage Dependent Resistor

$$U = IA^b$$

A – material constant
b – nonlinear coefficient
(usually from 0,1 do 1)

<http://and.elektroda.eu/elektronika/inne/surge/>

http://www.cyfronika.com.pl/lark3p2_smd.htm

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THERMISTOR

Semiconductor nonlinear resistor with resistance dependent on temperature

The diagram illustrates the relationship between voltage (U) and current (I) for an NTC thermistor, showing a non-linear decrease in resistance as current increases. It also shows the temperature characteristics of resistance (R) versus temperature (T) for three types of thermistors: CTC (Constant Temperature Coefficient), PTC (Positive Temperature Coefficient), and NTC (Negative Temperature Coefficient). The PTC curve shows a sharp increase in resistance at a critical temperature, while the NTC curve shows a continuous decrease. The CTC curve is a straight line. Below the graphs are two equations: $R_{T_PTC} = A_1 + A_2 e^{BT}$ and $R_{T_NTC} = A e^{-\frac{B}{T}}$. Parameters A, A₁, A₂ are constant parameters, and B is the material constant.

U vs. I characteristic

Temperature characteristics

CTC

PTC

NTC

$R_{T_PTC} = A_1 + A_2 e^{BT}$

$R_{T_NTC} = A e^{-\frac{B}{T}}$

A, A₁, A₂ – constant parameters., B – material constant

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THERMISTOR

Types:

- **NTC** – Negative Temperature Coefficient
- **PTC** – Positive Temperature Coefficient
- **CTR** – Critical Temperature Resistor

The graph plots resistance (R) against temperature (T) for three types of thermistors: CTC (red), PTC (green), and NTC (blue). The CTC curve is a straight line with a negative slope. The PTC curve shows a sharp increase in resistance at a critical temperature, while the NTC curve shows a continuous decrease.

CTC

PTC

NTC

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How does p-n junction diode work?



in $1mm^3$ we can find
15 millions of free electrons !!!
and the same number of holes ;))

$$n_i(T) = AT^{\frac{3}{2}} e^{-\frac{E_g}{2kT}}$$

$$(300K) \cdot 3 \cdot 10^{10} cm^{-3}$$

What is the sensitivity of free electron concentration changes
in the intrinsic semiconductor at a temperature $T = 300K$?

we should calculate:

$$\frac{dn_i}{n_i} = -S + \frac{E_g}{2kT^2}$$



$$\rho = AT^b e^{\frac{E_g}{2kT}}$$



after substituting the data
we obtain :

$$\gamma_i(300K) = 8.3\%$$



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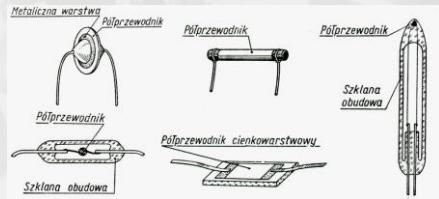
Construction:

A solid semiconductor structure properly selected, with leads.

A mixture of powdered semiconductor materials (oxides of manganese, nickel, cobalt and copper), linked by a suitable adhesive, pressed and sintered at high temperature.

They can be made as:

sticks, rings, cylinders, thin layers deposited substrates, etc.



A. Świt, J. Putorak, „Przyrządy półprzewodnikowe”, WNT, Warszawa, 1979



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Parameters:

- nominal resistance (R_{25}) – value of resistance at 25°C
- temperature coefficient of resistance (TWR, α_T)
- permissible power loss
- tolerance

$$\alpha_T = \frac{1}{R_T} \frac{\Delta R}{\Delta T}$$

Applications:

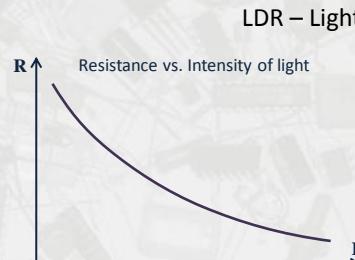
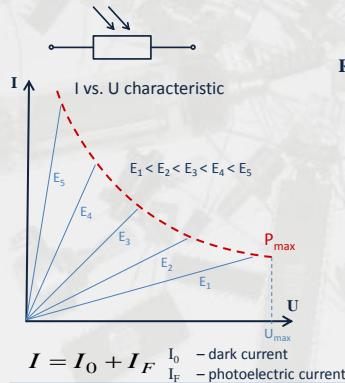
- measurement and temperature control
- temperature compensation of other components
- delay circuits and limiting the starting current
- current limiters
- stabilization of voltage and the amplitude of vibration



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PHOTORESISTOR

Semiconductor nonlinear resistor
with **resistance dependent on light**
(the intensity of visible and invisible)



$$R_E = R_0 \left(\frac{E_0}{E} \right)^\gamma$$



R_E – photoresistor resistance
 E – intensity of light
 R_0 – resistance at intensity E_0
 γ – material coefficient
 for CdS $\gamma = 0.5 \div 1$

PHOTORESISTOR

Diagram illustrating a photoresistor. Light energy $h\nu$ hits a semiconductor surface, creating excess carriers $I_0 + I_F$. These carriers are measured across a voltage U .

Materials: CdS – cadmium sulfide
CdSe – cadmium selenide
CdTe – cadmium telluride
PbS, PbSe, CdHgTe, InSb, PbSnTe ,and others

Conductivity: $\sigma = q(\mu_n n_0 + \mu_p p_0)$
number of excess intrinsic carriers: $\Delta n = \Delta p = G_L \tau_p$
 G_L – rate of generation
 τ_p – time of life of excess carriers
increase of conductivity: $\Delta\sigma = q(\Delta p)(\mu_n + \mu_p)$
photoconductivity

PHOTORESISTOR

Parameters:

- spectral sensitivity
- dark resistance - no light
- resistance at a certain light (np. 10lx, 100lx)
- max. sensitivity for a wavelength
- permissible power loss
- response time (at switching),

Applications:

- simple light meters
- automatic switching of lighting
- cosmic ray detectors



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PIEZORESISTOR

Semiconductor nonlinear resistor
with **resistance** dependent on **stress** or
mechanical **deformation**

piezoresistivity [gr.], **piezoelectric phenomena**, formation of electrical charge on the walls of some crystals under stress or stretching along one of the crystallographic axis; discovered in 1880 by Pierre and Paul Curie; used in measuring instruments, microphones, energy harvesters.

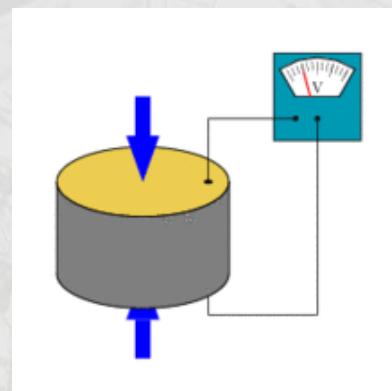
tensometer

mechanic and electrical sensors



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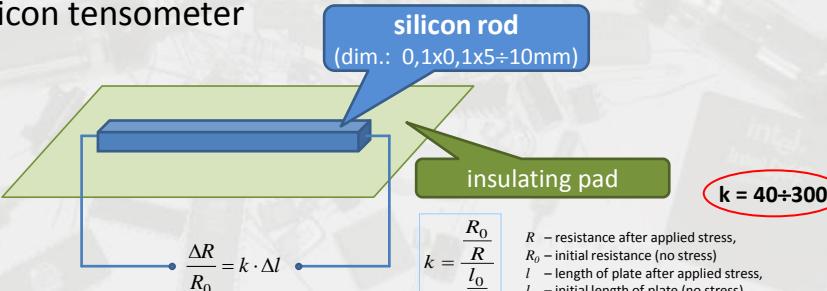
Resistive tensometer



$$R = \rho \frac{l}{S}$$

deformation: $\Delta l \Rightarrow \Delta R$
low sensitivity
 $k = 1,6 \div 3,5$

Silicon tensometer



$$\frac{\Delta R}{R_0} = k \cdot \Delta l$$

silicon rod
(dim.: 0,1x0,1x5÷10mm)

insulating pad

$k = 40 \div 300$

$k = \frac{R_0}{R} \frac{l_0}{l}$

R – resistance after applied stress,
 R_0 – initial resistance (no stress)
 l – length of plate after applied stress,
 l_0 – initial length of plate (no stress)

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PIEZORESISTOR - TENSOMETER

Parameters:

- sensitivity
- resistance
- dimensions

Applications:

- Semiconductor tensometers
- piezoresistive pressure sensors (in integrated circuits)
- piezoelectric acceleration sensor
- piezoelectric motor (micromotor)

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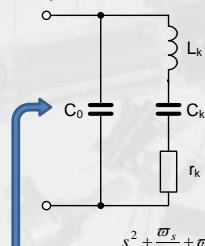


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PIEZOELECTRIC OSCILLATOR

Single crystal plate cut from a quartz (SiO_2), when a sine wave voltage is applied it begins to vibrate with **resonant frequency**, as a result of the inverse piezoelectric effect.

Equivalent model



serial resonance

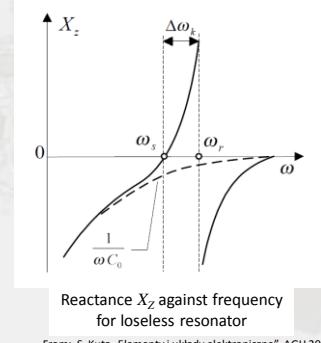
$$\omega_s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_k C_k}}$$

figure of merit

$$Q_k = \frac{\omega_s L_k}{r_k}$$

parallel resonance

$$Z_k(s) = \frac{s^2 + \frac{\omega_s}{Q_k} + \omega_s^2}{sC_0 \left[s^2 + \frac{\omega_s}{Q_k} s + \left(1 + \frac{C_k}{C_0}\right) \omega_s^2 \right]} \quad \omega_r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_k \frac{C_k C_0}{C_k + C_0}}} \approx \omega_s \left(1 + \frac{C_k}{2C_0}\right)$$



From: S. Kuta „Elementy i układy elektroniczne”, AGH 2000

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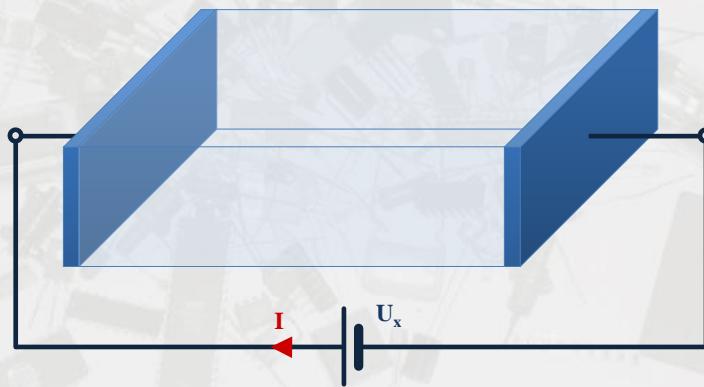
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SEMICONDUCTOR IN MAGNETIC FIELD

The influence of magnetic field on the charge carriers in the semiconductor



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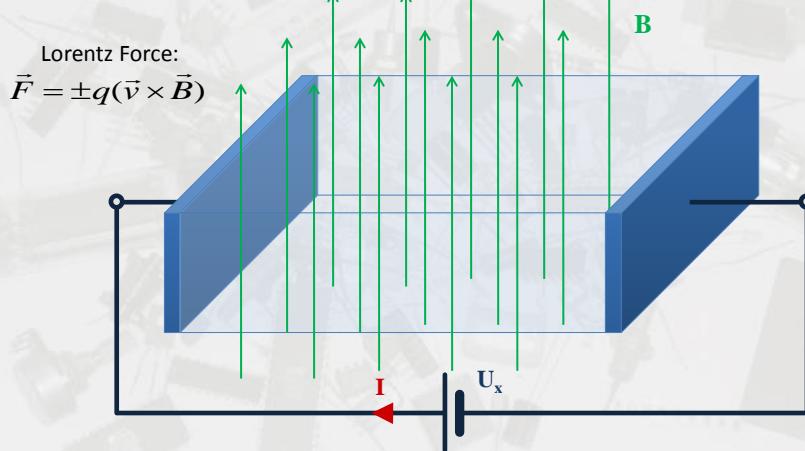
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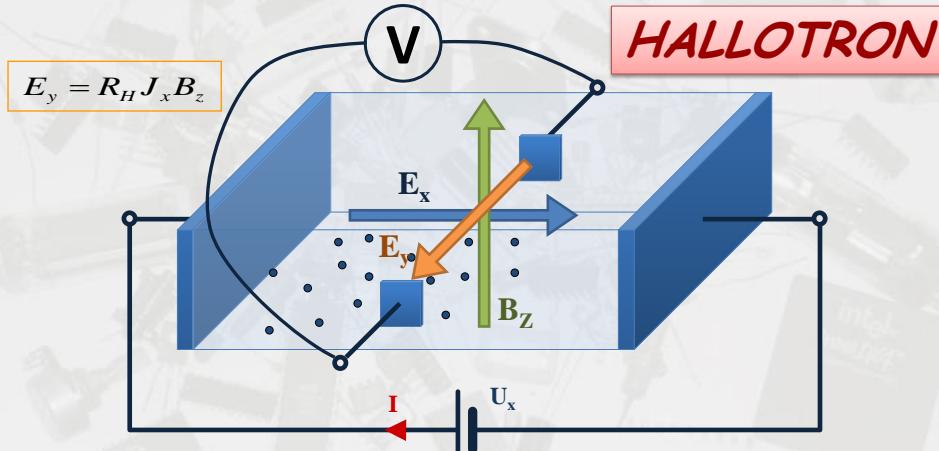
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 R_H – Hall constant:

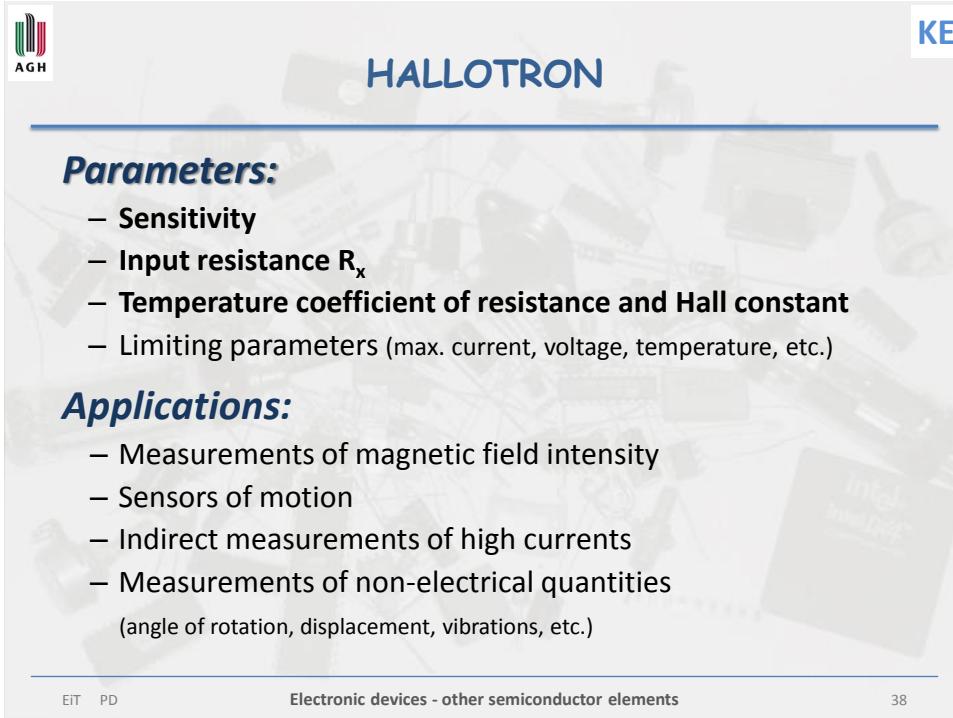
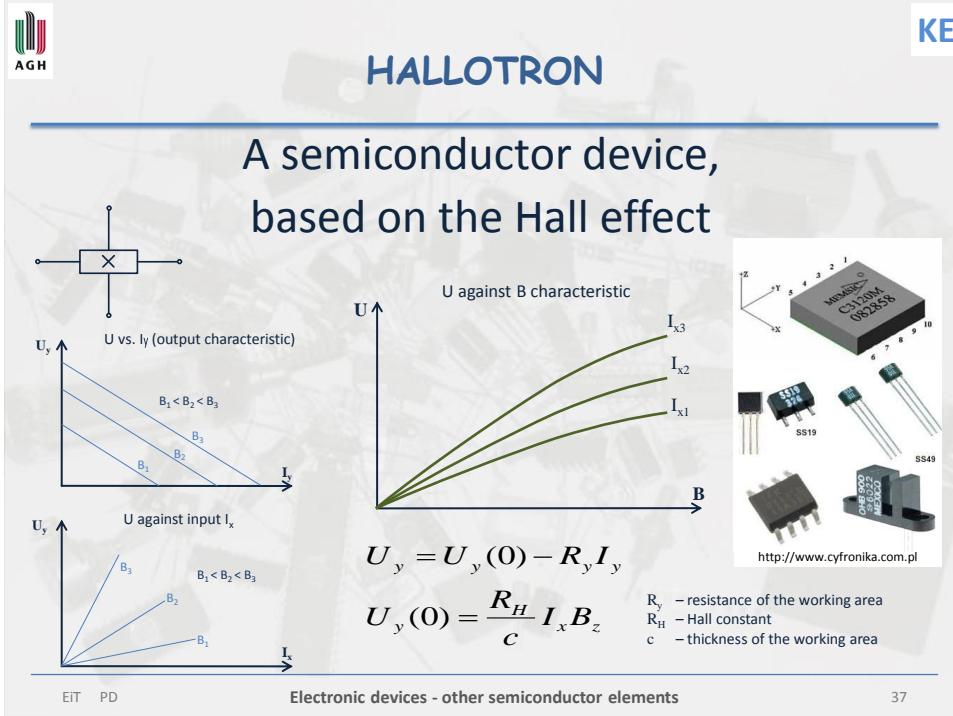
$$\text{for donor: } R_H \approx -\frac{3\pi}{8qn_n}$$

$$\text{for acceptor: } R_H \approx \frac{3\pi}{8qp_p}$$

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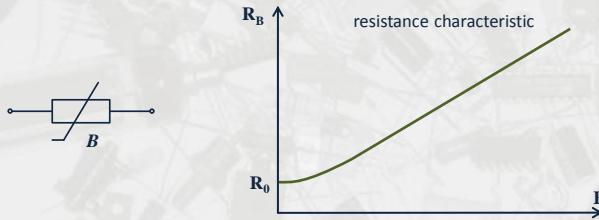




MAGNETORESISTOR - GAUSSOTRON

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Semiconductor nonlinear resistor
with **resistance** dependent on **magnetic field**



$$\frac{\Delta R}{R_0} = \frac{R_B - R_0}{R_0} \approx SB^2$$

R_0 – initial resistance
 S – square coefficient of magnetoresistance
 B – intensity of magnetic field

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GAUSSOTRON

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Parameters:

- initial resistance
- coefficient of magnetoresistance

Applications:

- Similar to Hallotron

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**THERMAL PROBLEMS
IN
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS**

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POWER, HEAT, TEMPERATURE

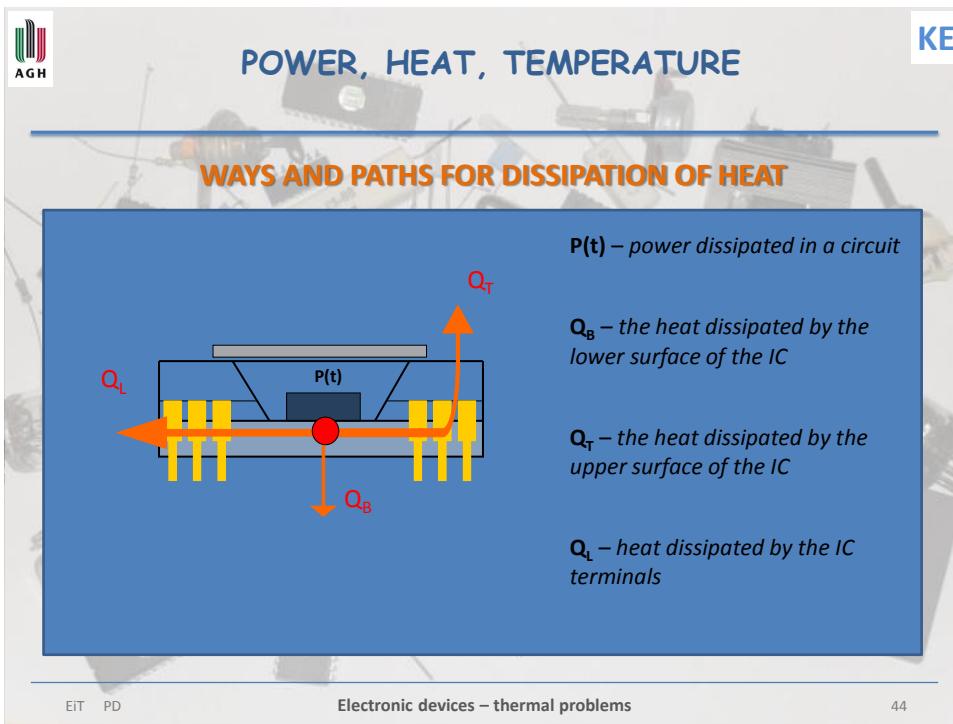
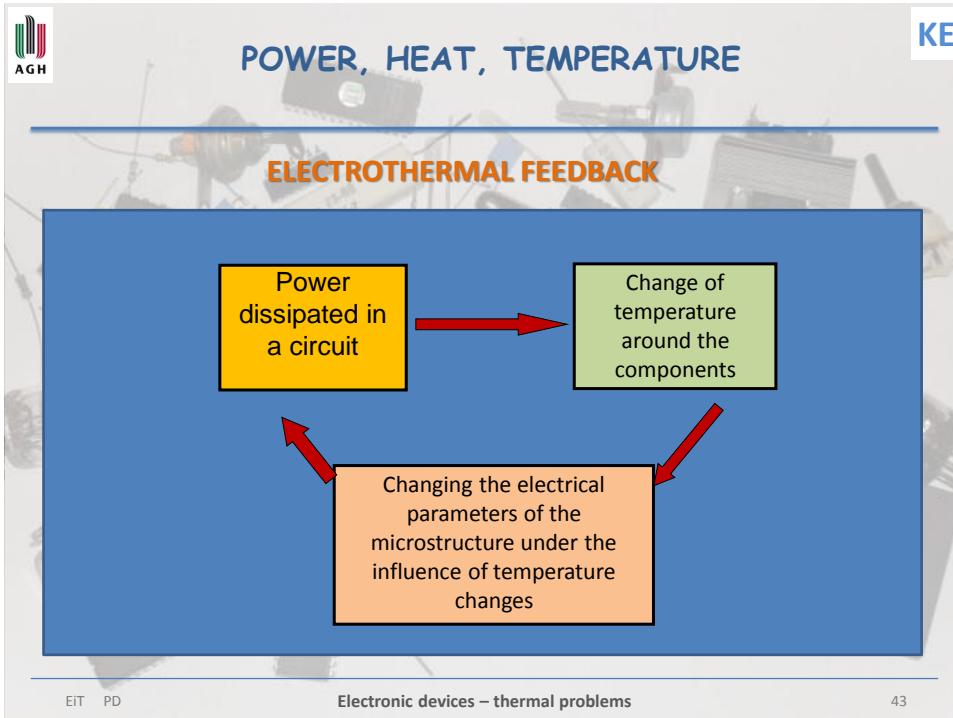
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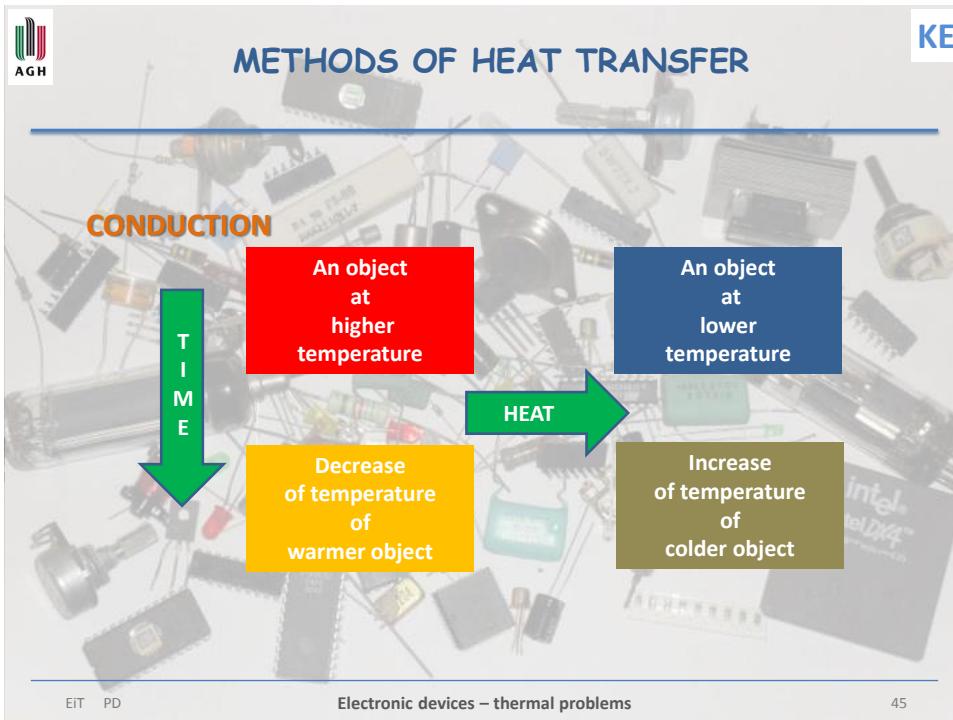
*One of the transistors in integrated circuit has
1μm x 1μm x 1μm dimensions and dissipates 1mW of
electric power
(eg. MOS. $I_D=1mA$ at $U_{DS}=1V$)*

What is the power density: ?

$$\zeta = \frac{P}{V} = 10^{15} [\text{W/m}^3] !!!$$

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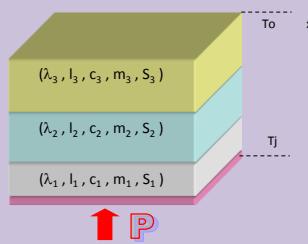


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$$\lambda \nabla^2 T(x, y, z, t) + w(x, y, z, t) = C_g \frac{\partial T(x, y, z, t)}{\partial t}$$

where: λ - heat conductance coefficient [W/mK], C_g - specific heat capacity [J/m^3K], w - density distribution of the generated thermal power [W/m^3]



λ - heat conductivity, l - thickness of the layer, c - specific heat, m - mass, S - surface of the layer

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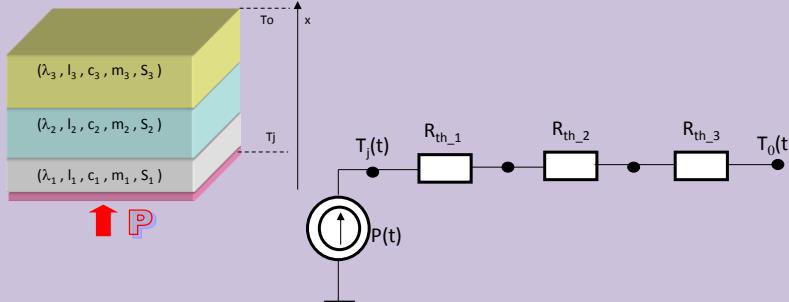
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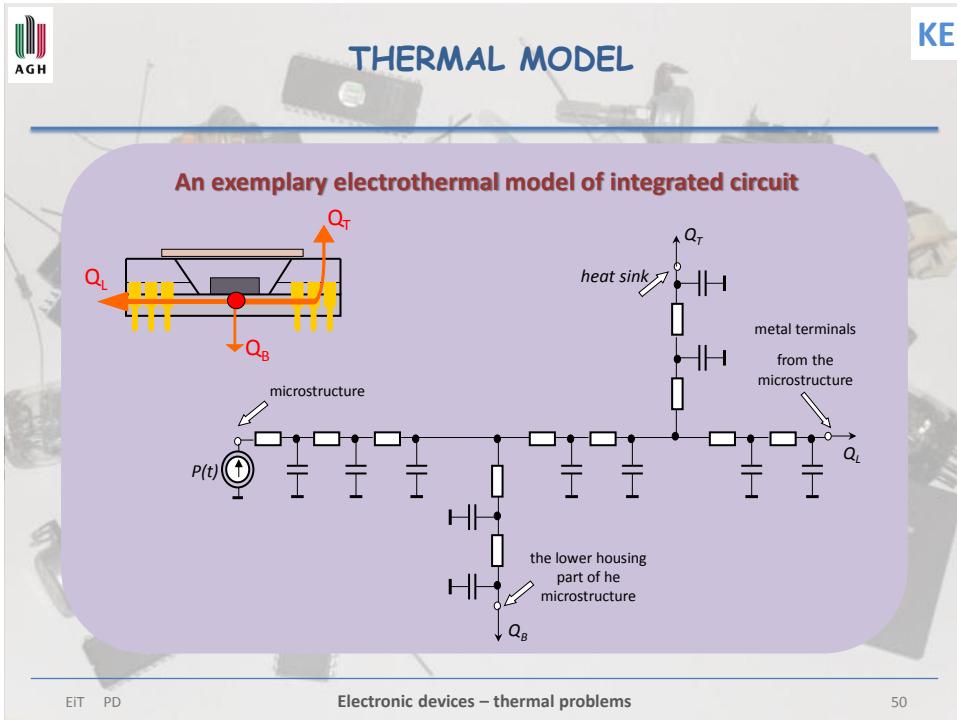
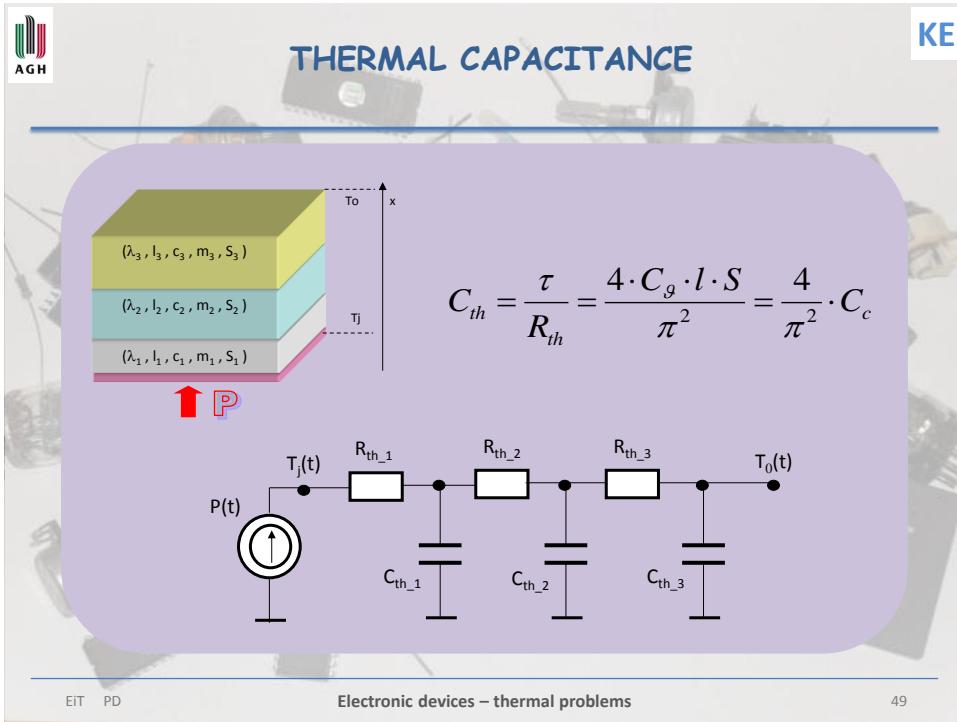


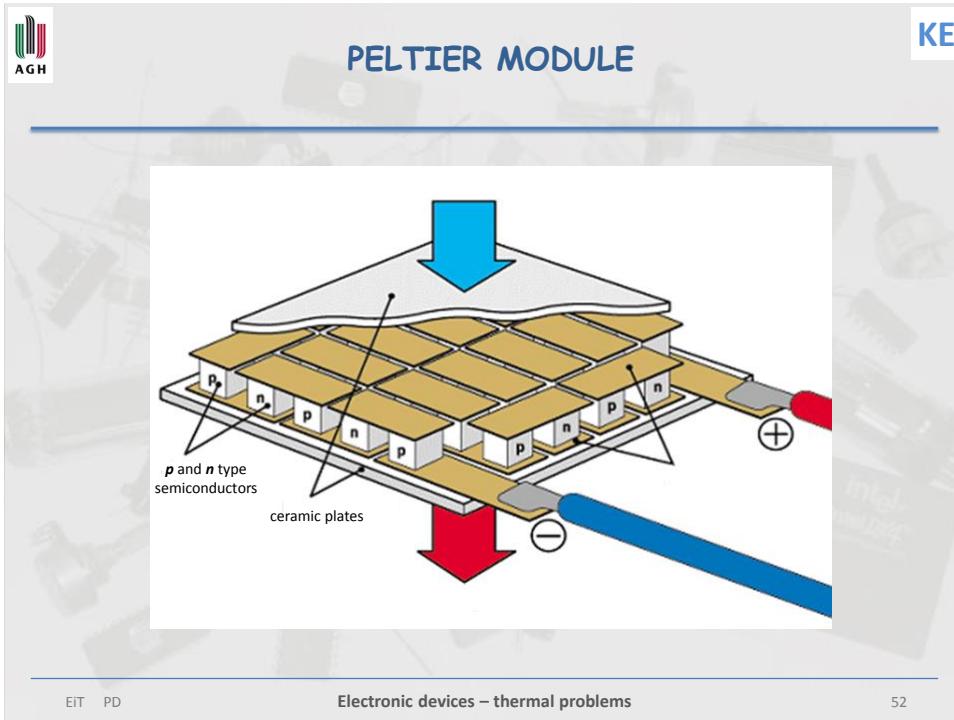
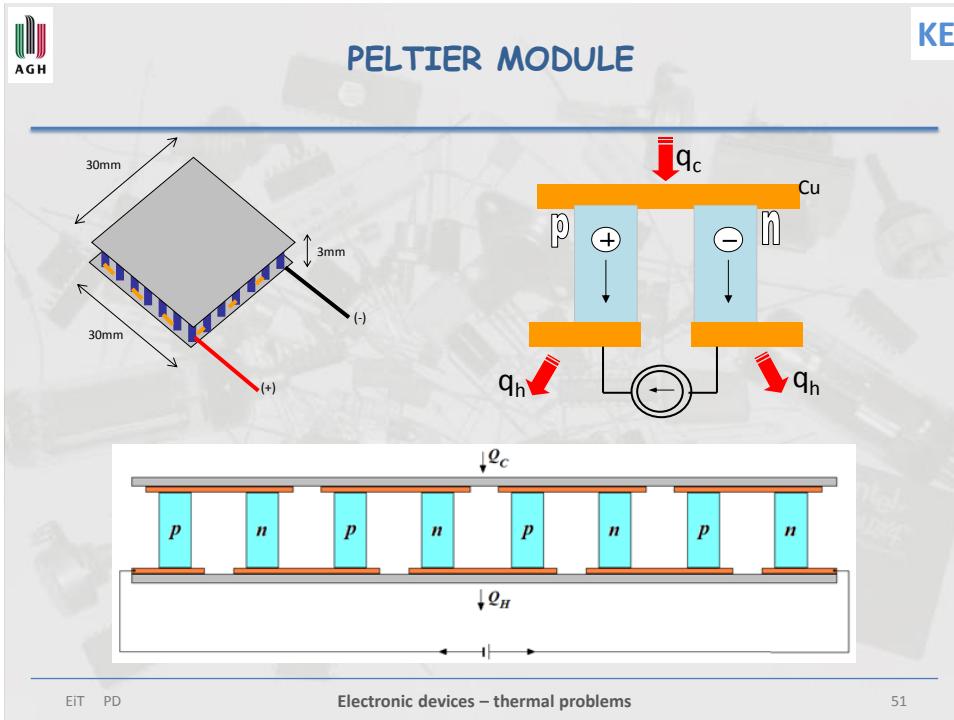
$$T_j = T_0 + P \left(\frac{l_1}{S_1 \cdot \lambda_1} + \frac{l_2}{S_2 \cdot \lambda_2} + \frac{l_3}{S_3 \cdot \lambda_3} \right) = T_0 + P(R_{th_1} + R_{th_2} + R_{th_3})$$

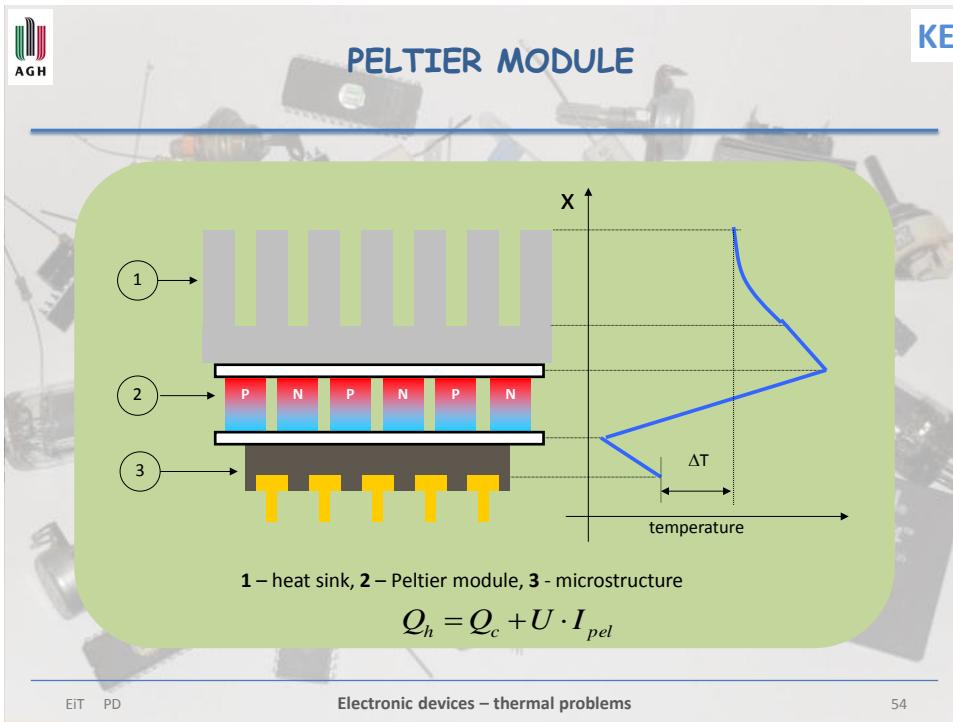
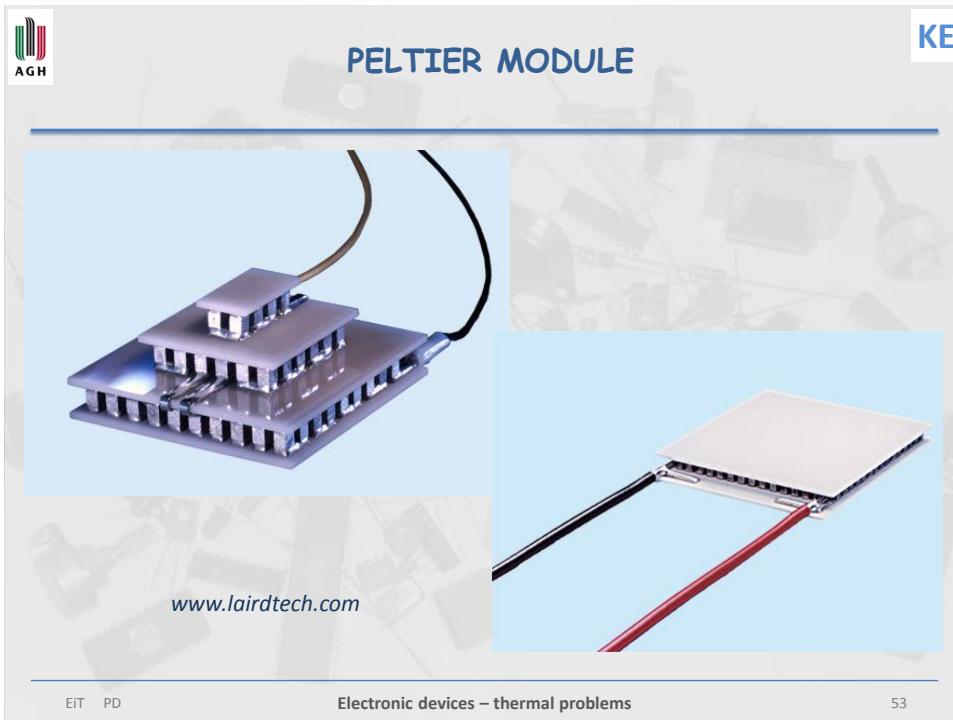
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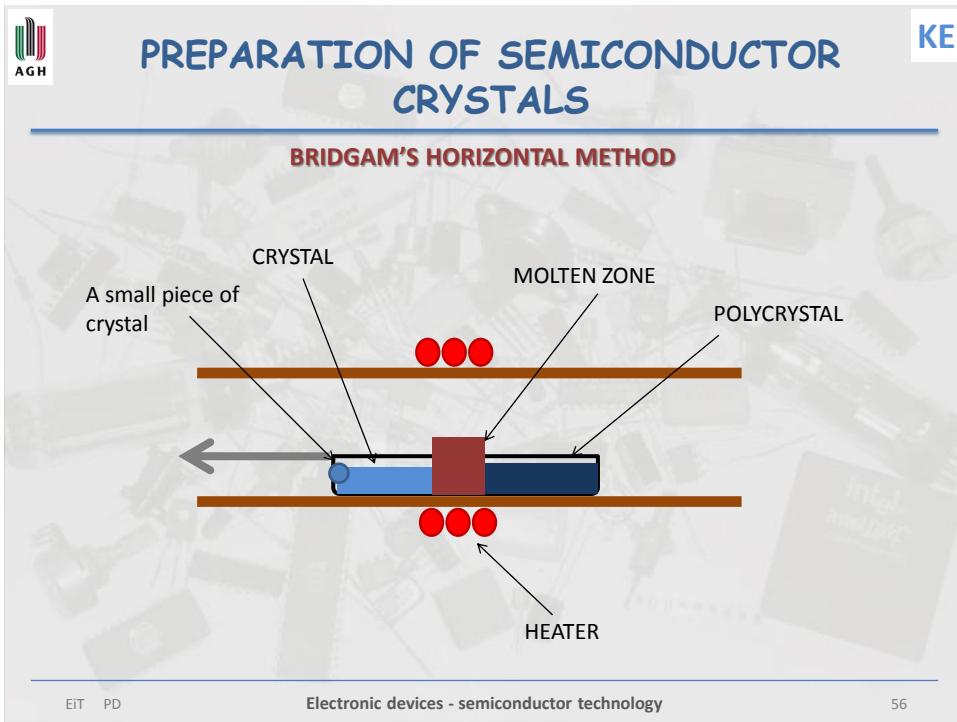
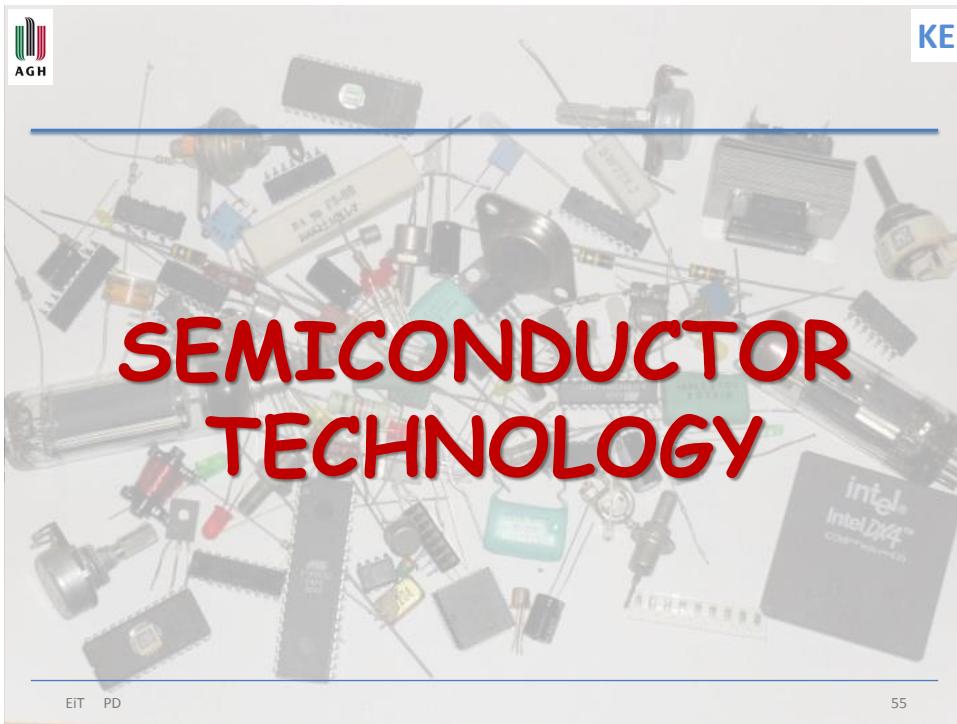
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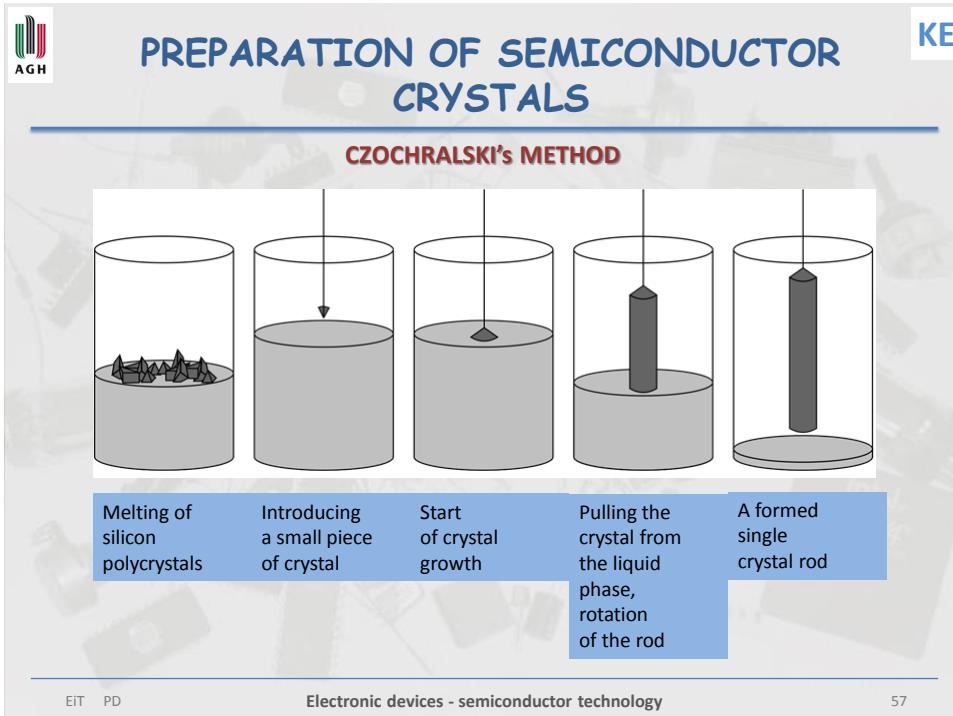
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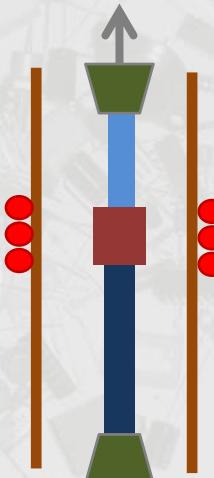






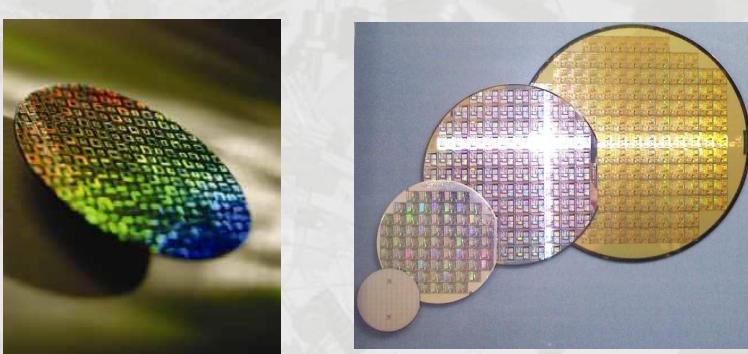
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WITHOUT MELTING POT



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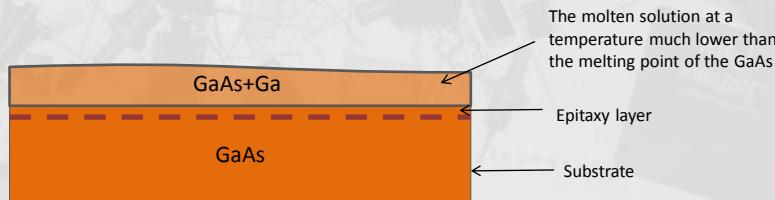
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EPITAXY

A semiconductor crystal growth technique from the solutions and the gas phase on the existing crystalline substrate.

The most important application of this technique is the production of thin monocrystalline layers.

Its main advantage is the possibility of obtaining the semiconductor materials at temperatures much lower than the melting point.



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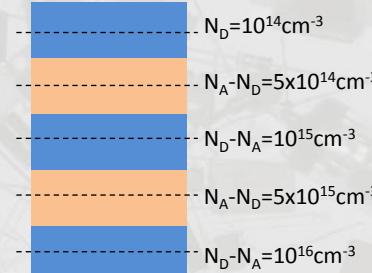
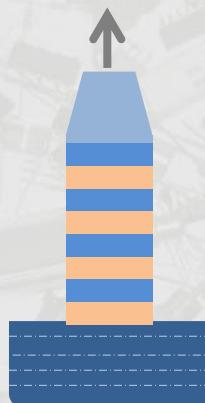
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FORMING P-N JUNCTIONS

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EXTRACTED JUNCTIONS



OVERCOMPENSATION - resultant change in the concentration of dopant

Extraction method has been replaced by methods consisting in the introduction of dopants after receipt of the single crystal layer, or epitaxy methods of opposite conductivity type to the substrate.

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MELTING JUNCTIONS

In

melting phase In+Ge

p-Ge

n-Ge

n-Ge

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DIFFUSION JUNCTIONS

Diffusion method is currently used on a large scale. It is performed at high temperature.

$N_A > N_D$ $N_D > N_A$

p n

Bor

$N_A > N_D$ $N_D > N_A$

p n

Diffusion from a source with a finite capacity Linear junction

Diffusion from a source with a constant performance Abrupt junction

IONS IMPLANTATION

Implantation is carried out at relatively low temperatures. Implantation can be performed through the oxide layer, but generally does not occur through the layer of metal.

Implantation is used for the preparation of very thin layers, for introducing dopants that can not be introduced by diffusion.

The implantation allows to obtain very precise geometry and quality of the doped areas.

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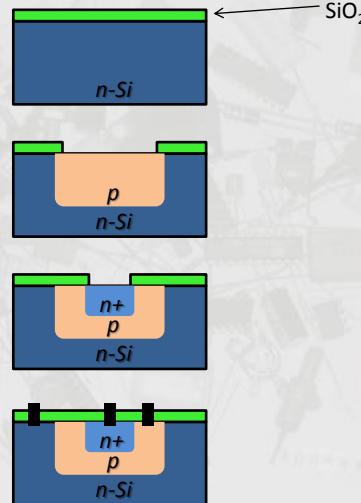
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FORMING N-P-N TRANSISTORS



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INTEGRATED CIRCUIT

Integrated circuit – an electronic circuit designed as disconnectable connection of electronic components in a single technological cycle inside, or on a common substrate.

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INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

- Monolithic – made of the "block" of the semiconductor
 - bipolar
 - unipolar
- Hybrid – made on a common substrate
 - thin layer
 - thick layer
- Analogue – for analogue signal processing
- Digital – for digital signal processing

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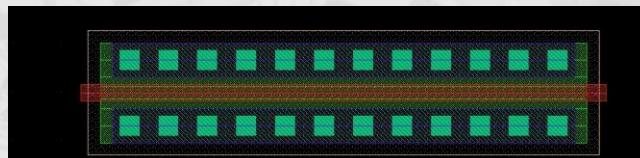


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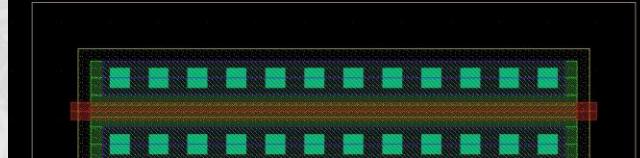
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transistor

NMOS



PMOS



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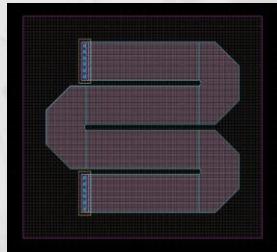
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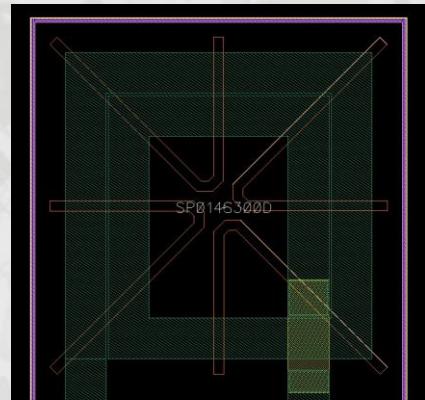
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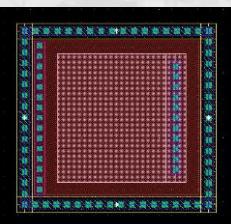
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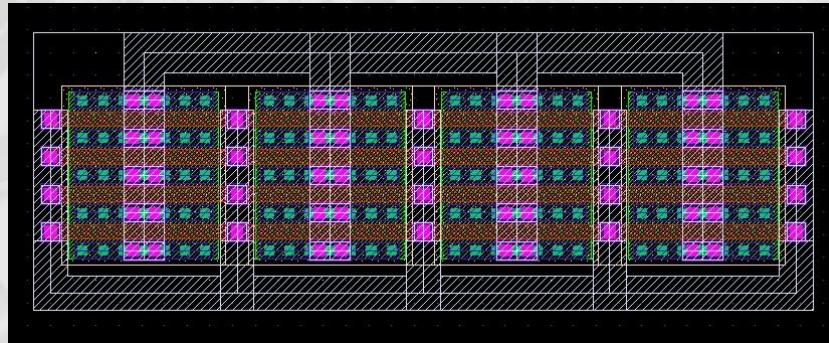
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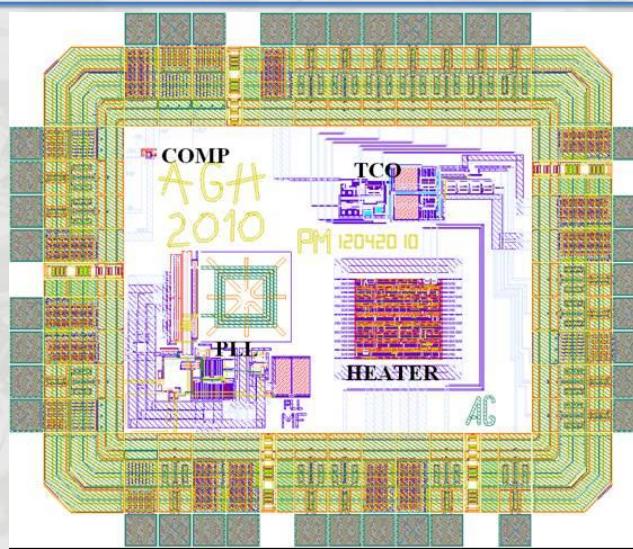
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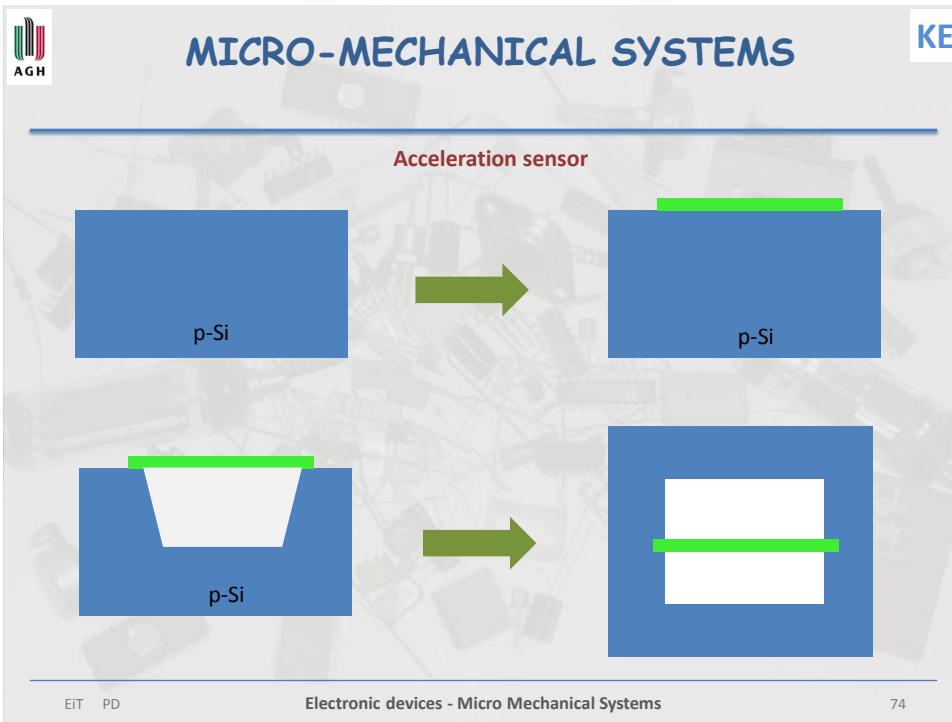
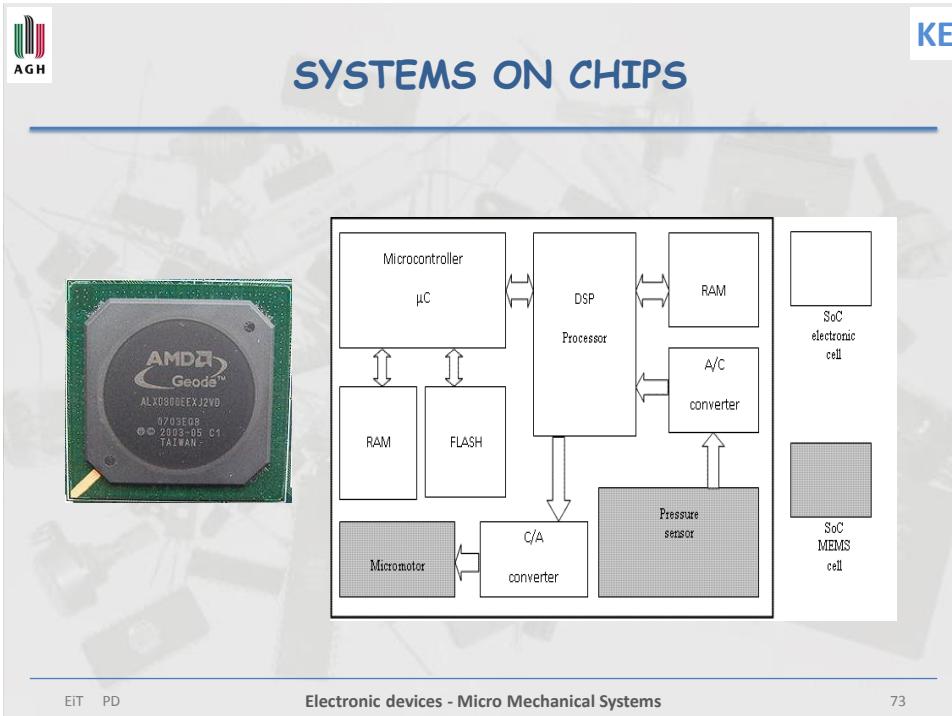
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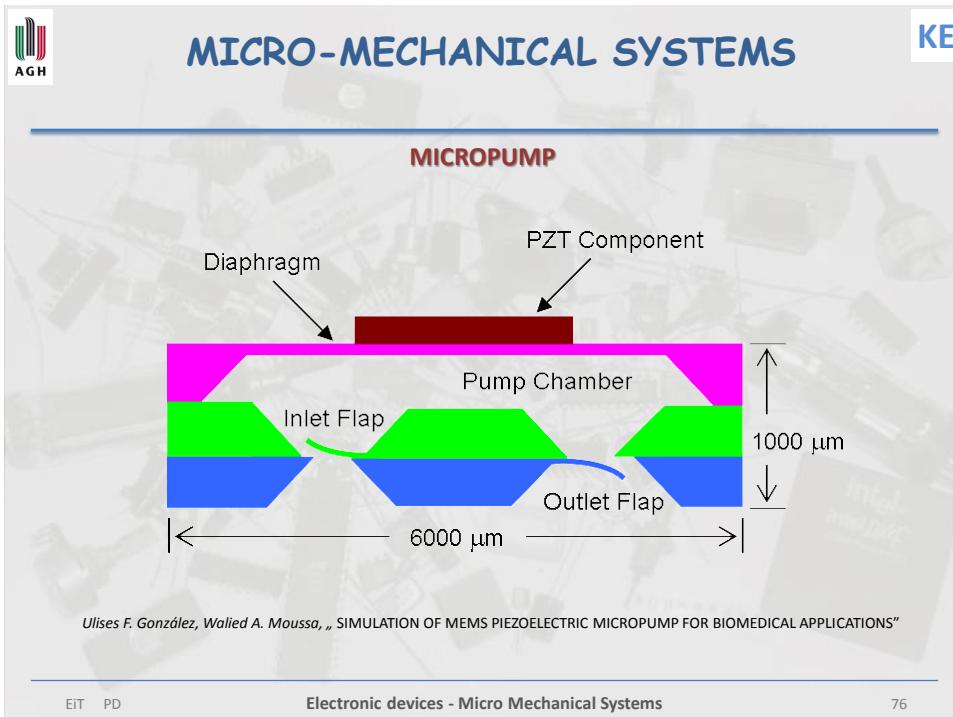
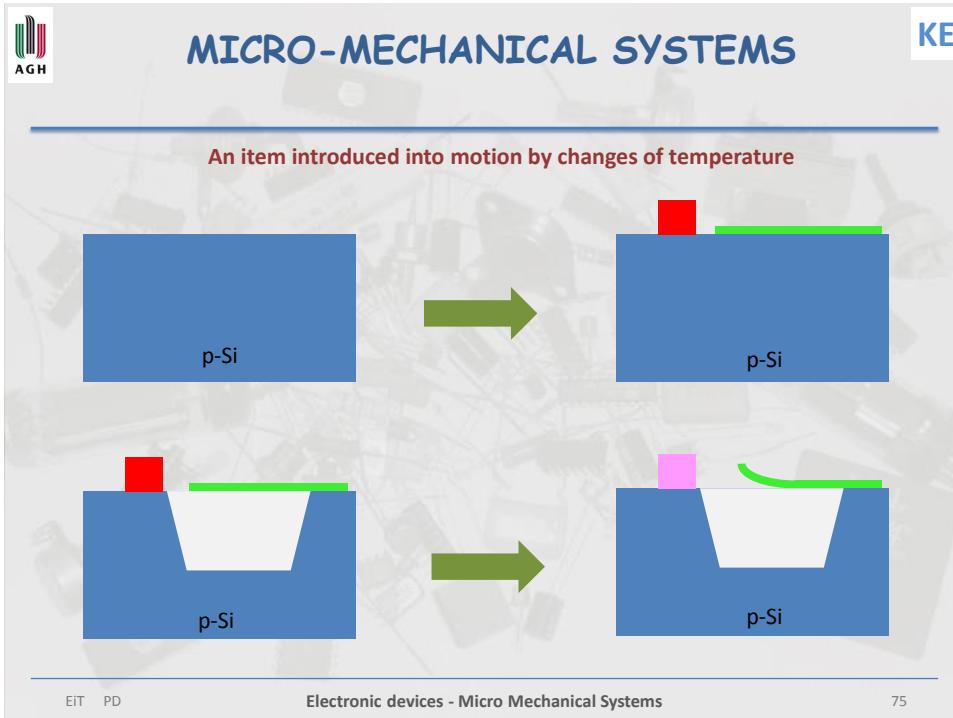


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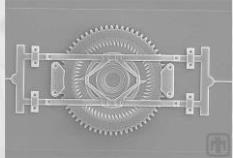
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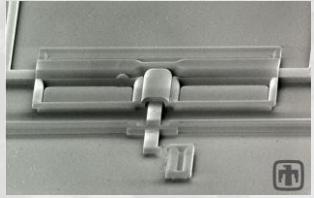
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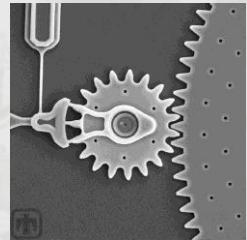


1 μm

Micropump



Microgear



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