Integrated Circuit Design

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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

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• Assessment

- 10% Coursework (L-Edit Gate Layout)
- 90% Examination
- Books
 - **Digital Integrated Circuits**
 - Jan Rabaey
 - Prentice-Hall

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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

1947 First Transistor

John Bardeen, Walter Brattain, and William Shockley (Bell Labs)

1952 Integrated Circuits Proposed

Geoffrey Dummer (Royal Radar Establishment) - prototype failed ...

1958 First Integrated Circuit

Jack Kilby (Texas Instruments) - Co-inventor

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

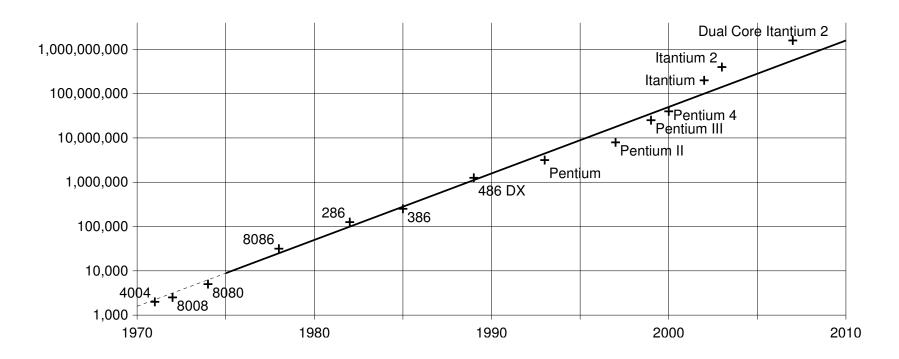
In 1965 Gordon Moore observed that the number of components per chip had doubled every year since 1959 and predicted that the trend would continue through to 1975.

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.

Moore's Law at Intel¹



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

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.

Faster - too costly

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

²or the Intels