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CAPACITANCE MEASUREMENT**

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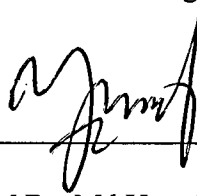
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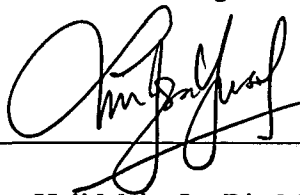
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ABSTRACT

INVESTIGATE EFFECT OF THE SCALING ON MOS CAPACITOR USING CAPACITANCE MEASUREMENT

The effects of the scaling on MOS capacitor using capacitance measurement were ascertained. The effects of different size of gate oxide (0.01cm^2 , 0.04cm^2 , 0.09cm^2 , 0.16cm^2 and 0.25cm^2) on MOS capacitor were determined. It is not easy in order to produce ideal (theory) MOS capacitor when the dimension is scaled down. The qualities of oxide that produce always give effect to performance of device. The oxide layer need free from particle such contamination and fixed charge in order to produce ideal MOS capacitor. Besides that, fabrication of small device is difficult due to some limitation which is equipment capability and clean room environment. Five different sizes of gate oxides of MOS capacitor were fabricated on 4 inch n-type wafer and their effects were studied based on their capacitance value. All critical process to fabricate this device such cleaning, oxidation, lithography and metallization were done in UiTM Shah Alam semiconductor laboratory. According to the experiment result, working MOS capacitor successful fabricated on 4 inch n-type wafer. From experimental C-V curve, we can say that smaller gate oxide of MOS capacitor is recommended to produce better MOSFET-in term of speed.

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

MOS capacitor is heart of the Metal-Oxide-Semiconductor-Field-Effect-Transistor (MOSFET). By understanding the fundamental of MOS capacitor is the way to know the operation and characteristic of MOSFET. The MOS capacitor is used in both monitoring integrated circuit fabrication and studying the electrical properties of the MOS system. The MOS capacitor has the advantages of the simplicity of fabrication and analysis. Using the MOS capacitor, nearly all of the properties of interest in the SiO₂, at the Si-SiO₂ interface, and in the silicon can be measured (Nicollian and Brews, 2003).

Besides that, by reducing some of the minimum feature size on MOS capacitor, one can make a more powerful device such MOSFET. Feature size will continue to reduce, while the wafer size gradually increases (Wyon, 2002). During the 1960s the IC industry developed rapidly. In 1964, Gordon Moore, one of the cofounders of Intel Corporation, noticed that the number of component on a computer chip doubled every 12 months, while the price stayed the same (xiao, 2001). His prediction that this trend would hold true in the future has become well known in the semiconductor industry as Moore's law. Amazingly, Moore's law proved accurate for more than 30 years.

In the semiconductor industry, feature size is usually measured in microns, which are equal to 10⁻⁶ of a meter and are noted as μm. In less than 40 years, the minimum feature