

# EE 330

# Lecture 20

Bipolar Process Flow

# Bipolar Process Description

p-substrate epi

# Components Shown

- Vertical npn BJT
- Lateral pnp BJT
- JFET
- Diffusion Resistor
- Diode (and varactor)

Note: Features intentionally not to scale to make it easier to convey more information on small figures

- Much processing equipment is same as used for MOS processes so similar minimum-sized features can be made
- But will see that there are some fundamental issues that typically make bipolar circuits large

**TABLE 2C.1**  
**Process scenario of major process steps in typical bipolar process<sup>a</sup>**

- |  |           |  |
|--|-----------|--|
| 1. Clean wafer (p-type)                                  |           |  |
| 2. GROW THIN OXIDE                                       |           |  |
| 3. Apply photoresist                                     | (MASK #1) |  |
| 4. PATTERN n <sup>+</sup> BURIED LAYER                   |           |  |
| 5. Develop photoresist                                   |           |  |
| 6. DEPOSITION AND DIFFUSION OF n-BURIED LAYER            |           |  |
| 7. Strip photoresist                                     |           |  |
| 8. Strip oxide   |           |  |
| 9. GROW EPITAXIAL LAYER (n-type)                         |           |  |
| 10. Grow oxide   |           |  |
| 11. Apply photoresist                                    | (MASK #2) |  |
| 12. PATTERN p <sup>+</sup> ISOLATION REGIONS             |           |  |
| 13. Develop photoresist                                  |           |  |
| 14. Etch oxide   |           |  |
| 15. DEPOSITION AND DIFFUSION OF p <sup>+</sup> ISOLATION |           |  |
| 16. Strip photoresist                                    |           |  |
| 17. Grow oxide   |           |  |
| <i>Optional high-resistance p-diffusion</i>              |           |  |
| A.1 Apply photoresist                                    |           |  |
| A.2 PATTERN p-RESISTORS                                  | (MASK #A) |  |
| A.3 Develop photoresist                                  |           |  |
| A.4 Etch oxide   |           |  |
| A.5 DEPOSITION AND DIFFUSION OF p-RESISTORS              |           |  |
| A.6 Strip photoresist                                    |           |  |
| A.7 Grow oxide   |           |  |
| 18. Apply photoresist                                    |           |  |
| 19. PATTERN BASE REGIONS                                 | (MASK #3) |  |
| 20. Develop photoresist                                  |           |  |
| 21. Etch oxide   |           |  |
| 22. DEPOSITION AND DIFFUSION OF p-TYPE BASE              |           |  |
| 23. Strip photoresist                                    |           |  |
| 24. Grow oxide   |           |  |
| 25. Apply photoresist                                    |           |  |

26. PATTERN n-TYPE Emitter Regions
27. Develop photoresist
28. Etch Oxide
29. n<sup>+</sup> DEPOSITION AND DIFFUSION
30. Strip photoresist
31. Grow oxide
32. Apply photoresist
33. PATTERN CONTACT OPENINGS
34. Develop photoresist
35. Etch oxide
36. Strip Photoresist
37. APPLY METAL
38. Apply photoresist
39. PATTERN METAL
40. Develop photoresist
41. ETCH METAL
42. Strip photoresist
43. APPLY PASSIVATION
44. Apply photoresist
45. PATTERN PAD OPENINGS
46. Develop photoresist
47. Etch passivation
48. Strip photoresist
49. ASSEMBLE, PACKAGE, AND TEST

(MASK #4)

(MASK #5)

(MASK #6)

(MASK #7)

- Small number of masks
- Most not critical alignment / size

**TABLE 2C.2**  
**Design rules for a typical bipolar process ( $\lambda = 2.5 \mu$ )**  
**(See Table 2C.3 in color plates for graphical interpretation)**

	Dimension
1. n <sup>+</sup> buried collector diffusion (Yellow, Mask #1)	
1.1 Width	$3\lambda$
1.2 Overlap of p-base diffusion (for vertical npn)	$2\lambda$
1.3 Overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (for collector contact of vertical npn)	$2\lambda$
1.4 Overlap of p-base diffusion (for collector and emitter of lateral pnp)	$2\lambda$
1.5 Overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (for base contact of lateral pnp)	$2\lambda$
2. Isolation diffusion (Orange, Mask #2)	
2.1 Width	$4\lambda$
2.2 Spacing	$24\lambda$
2.3 Distance to n <sup>+</sup> buried collector	$14\lambda$
3. p-base diffusion (Brown, Mask #3)	
3.1 Width	$3\lambda$
3.2 Spacing	$5\lambda$
3.3 Distance to isolation diffusion	$14\lambda$
3.4 Width (resistor)	$3\lambda$
3.5 Spacing (as resistor)	$3\lambda$
4. n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (Green, Mask #4)	
4.1 Width	$3\lambda$
4.2 Spacing	$3\lambda$
4.3 p-base diffusion overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (emitter in base)	$2\lambda$
4.4 Spacing to isolation diffusion (for collector contact)	$12\lambda$
4.5 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for base contact of lateral pnp)	$6\lambda$
4.6 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for collector contact of vertical npn)	$6\lambda$

- Note some features have very large design rules
- Will discuss implication of this later

5.	Contact (Black, Mask #5)	
5.1	Size (exactly)	$4\lambda \times 4\lambda$
5.2	Spacing	$2\lambda$
5.3	Metal overlap of contact	$\lambda$
5.4	n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion overlap of contact	$2\lambda$
5.5	p-base diffusion overlap of contact	$2\lambda$
5.6	p-base to n <sup>+</sup> emitter	$3\lambda$
5.7	Spacing to isolation diffusion	$4\lambda$
6.	Metalization (Blue, Mask #6)	
6.1	Width	$2\lambda$
6.2	Spacing	$2\lambda$
6.3	Bonding pad size	$100 \mu \times 100 \mu$
6.4	Probe pad size	$75 \mu \times 75 \mu$
6.5	Bonding pad separation	$50 \mu$
6.6	Bonding to probe pad	$30 \mu$
6.7	Probe pad separation	$30 \mu$
6.8	Pad to circuitry	$40 \mu$
6.9	Maximum current density	$0.8 \text{ mA}/\mu \text{ width}$
7.	Passivation (Purple, Mask #7)	
7.1	Minimum bonding pad opening	$90 \mu \times 90 \mu$
7.2	Minimum probe pad opening	$65 \mu \times 65 \mu$

**TABLE 2C.4**  
**Process parameters for a typical bipolar process<sup>a</sup>**

Parameter	Typical	Tolerance <sup>b</sup>	Units
<b>Ebers-Moll model parameters</b>			
$\beta_F$ (forward $\beta$ )			
npn—vertical	100	50 to 200	
pnp—lateral			
(at $I_C = 500 \mu\text{A}$ )	10	$\pm 20\%$	
(at $I_C = 200 \mu\text{A}$ )	6	$\pm 20\%$	
$\beta_R$ (reverse $\beta$ )			
npn—vertical	1.5	$\pm 0.5$	
pnp—lateral			
(at $I_C = 500 \mu\text{A}$ )	5	$\pm 20\%$	
(at $I_C = 200 \mu\text{A}$ )	3	$\pm 20\%$	
$V_{AF}$ (forward Early voltage)			
npn—vertical	100	$\pm 30\%$	V
pnp—lateral	150	$\pm 30\%$	V
$V_{AR}$ (reverse Early voltage)			
npn—vertical	150	$\pm 30\%$	V
pnp—lateral	150	$\pm 30\%$	V
$J_S$ (saturation current density)			
npn—vertical	$2.6 \times 10^{-7}$	-50% to + 100%	$\text{pA}/\mu\text{m}^2$
pnp—lateral	$1.3 \times 10^{-5}$	-50% to + 100%	$\text{pA}/\mu\text{m}^2$ emitter perimeter

Parameter	Typical	Tolerance <sup>b</sup>	Units
<b>Doping</b>			
n <sup>+</sup> emitter	10 <sup>4</sup>	±30%	10 <sup>16</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>
p-base			
Surface	10 <sup>5</sup>	±20%	10 <sup>16</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>
Junction	1	±20%	10 <sup>16</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>
Epitaxial layer	0.3	±20%	10 <sup>16</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>
Substrate	0.08	±25%	10 <sup>16</sup> /cm <sup>3</sup>
<b>Physical feature size</b>			
Diffusion depth			
n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion	1.3	±5%	μ
p-base diffusion	2.6	±5%	μ
p-resistive diffusion	0.3	±5%	μ
n-epitaxial layer	10.4	±5%	μ
n <sup>+</sup> buried collector diffusion			
Into epitaxial	3.9	±5%	μ
Into substrate	7.8	±5%	μ
Oxide thickness			
Metal to epitaxial	1.4	±30%	μ
Metal to p-base	0.65	±30%	μ
Metal to n <sup>+</sup> emitter	0.4	±30%	μ

Capacitances			
Metal to epitaxial	0.022	$\pm 30\%$	fF/ $\mu^2$
Metal to p-base diffusion	0.045	$\pm 30\%$	fF/ $\mu^2$
Metal to n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion	0.078	$\pm 30\%$	fF/ $\mu^2$
n <sup>+</sup> buried collector to substrate (junction, bottom)	0.062	$\pm 30\%$	fF/ $\mu^2$
Epitaxial to substrate (junction, bottom)	0.062	$\pm 30\%$	fF/ $\mu^2$
Epitaxial to substrate (junction, sidewall)	1.6	$\pm 30\%$	fF/ $\mu$ perimeter
Epitaxial to p-base diffusion (junction, bottom)	0.14	$\pm 30\%$	fF/ $\mu^2$
Epitaxial to p-base diffusion (junction, sidewall)	7.9	$\pm 30\%$	fF/ $\mu$ perimeter
p-base diffusion to n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (junction, bottom)	0.78	$\pm 30\%$	fF/ $\mu^2$
p-base diffusion to n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (junction, sidewall)	3.1	$\pm 30\%$	fF/ $\mu$ perimeter

Parameter	Typical	Tolerance <sup>b</sup>	Units
<b>Resistance and resistivity</b>			
Substrate resistivity	16	±25%	Ω · cm
n <sup>+</sup> buried collector diffusion	17	±35%	Ω / □
Epitaxial layer	1.6	±20%	Ω · cm
p-base diffusion	160	±20%	Ω / □
p-resistive diffusion (optional)	1500	±40%	Ω / □
n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion	4.5	±30%	Ω / □
Metal	0.003		Ω / □
Contacts (3μ × 3μ)	<4		Ω
Metal-n <sup>+</sup> emitter (contact plus series resistance to BE junction)	<1		Ω
Metal-p-base <sup>c</sup> (contact plus series resistance)	70		Ω
Metal-Epitaxial <sup>d</sup> (contact plus series resistance to BC junction)	120		Ω
<b>Breakdown voltages, leakage currents, migration currents, and operating conditions</b>			
Reverse breakdown voltages			
n <sup>+</sup> emitter to p-base	6.9	±50 mV	V
p-base to epitaxial	70	±10	V
Epitaxial to substrate	>80		V
Maximum operating voltage	40		V
Substrate leakage current	0.16		fA/μ <sup>2</sup>
Maximum metal current density	0.8		mA/μ width
Maximum device operating temperature (design)	125		°C
Maximum device operating temperature (physical)	225		°C

## SPICE model parameters of typical bipolar process

Parameter <sup>a,b,c</sup>	Vertical npn	Lateral pnp	Units
IS <sup>c</sup>	0.1	0.78	fA
BF	80	225	
NF	1	1	
VAF	100	150	V
IKF	100	0.1	mA
ISE	0.11	0.15	fA
NE	1.44	1.28	
BR	1.5		
NR	1	1	
VAR <sup>b</sup>	19	38	V
ISC		1.5	fA
NC	1.44	1.28	
RB	70	250	$\Omega$
RE	1	4	$\Omega$
RC	120	130	$\Omega$
CJE	0.62	0.48	pF
VTE	0.69	0.65	V
MJE	0.33	0.40	
TF	0.45	40	ns
CJC	1.9	0.48	pF
VJC	0.65	0.65	V
MJC	0.4	0.4	
XCJC	0.5	0	
TR	22.5	2000	ns
CJS <sup>d</sup>	1.30	0	pF
VJS	0.49	0	pF
MJS	0.38	0	

Recall:

# Simplified Multi-Region Model

"Forward" Regions :  $\beta = \beta_F$

$$I_C = J_S A_E e^{\frac{V_{BE}}{V_t}} \left( 1 + \frac{V_{CE}}{V_{AF}} \right)$$

$$I_B = \frac{J_S A_E}{\beta} e^{\frac{V_{BE}}{V_t}}$$

$$V_{BE} = 0.7V$$

$$V_{CE} = 0.2V$$

$$I_C = I_B = 0$$

## Conditions

$$V_{BE} > 0.4V \quad V_{BC} < 0$$

Forward Active

$$I_C < \beta I_B$$

Saturation

$$V_{BE} < 0 \quad V_{BC} < 0$$

Cutoff

Process Parameters:  $\{J_S, \beta, V_{AF}\}$

$$V_t = \frac{kT}{q}$$

Design Parameters:  $\{A_E\}$

- Process parameters highly process dependent
- $J_S$  highly temperature dependent as well,  $\beta$  modestly temperature dependent
- This model is dependent only upon emitter area, independent of base and collector area !
- Currents scale linearly with  $A_E$  and not dependent upon shape of emitter
- A small portion of the operating region is missed with this model but seldom operate in the missing region

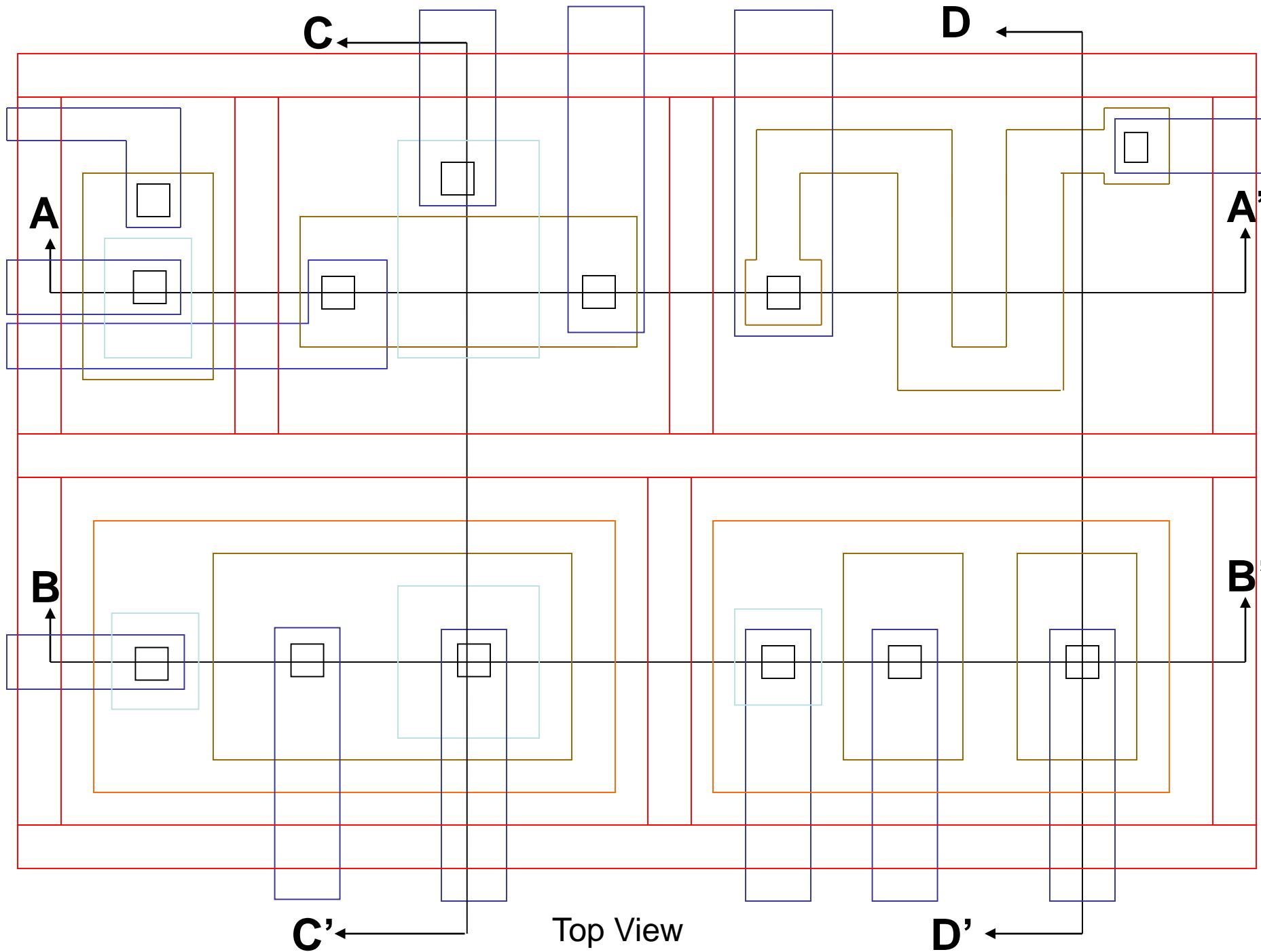
<sup>a</sup>Parameters are defined in Chapters 3 and 4.

<sup>b</sup>Some of these Gummel-Poon parameters differ considerably from those given in Table 2C.4. They have been obtained from curve fitting and should give good results with computer simulations. The parameters of Table 2C.4 should be used for hand analysis.

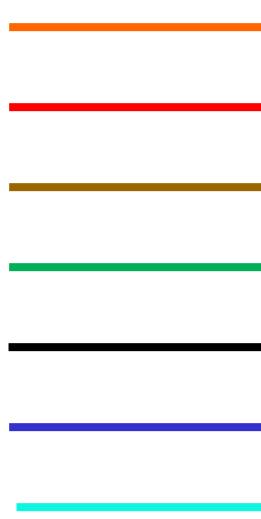
<sup>c</sup>Parameters that are strongly area-dependent are based upon an npn emitter area of  $390 \mu^2$  and perimeter of  $80 \mu$ , a base area of  $2200 \mu^2$  and perimeter of  $200 \mu$ , and a collector area of  $10.500 \mu^2$  and perimeter of  $425 \mu$ . The lateral pnp has rectangular collectors and emitters spaced  $10 \mu$  apart with areas of  $230 \mu^2$  and perimeters of  $60 \mu$ . The base area of the pnp is  $7400 \mu^2$  and the base perimeter is  $345 \mu$ .

<sup>d</sup>CJS is set to zero for the lateral transistor because it is essentially nonexistent. The parasitic capacitance from base to substrate, which totals  $1.0 \text{ pF}$  for this device, must be added externally to the BJT.

- In contrast to the MOSFET where process parameters are independent of geometry, the bipolar transistor model is for a specific transistor !
- Area emitter factor is used to model other devices
- Often multiple specific device models are given and these devices are used directly
- Often designer can not arbitrarily set  $A_E$  but rather must use parallel combinations of specific devices and layouts



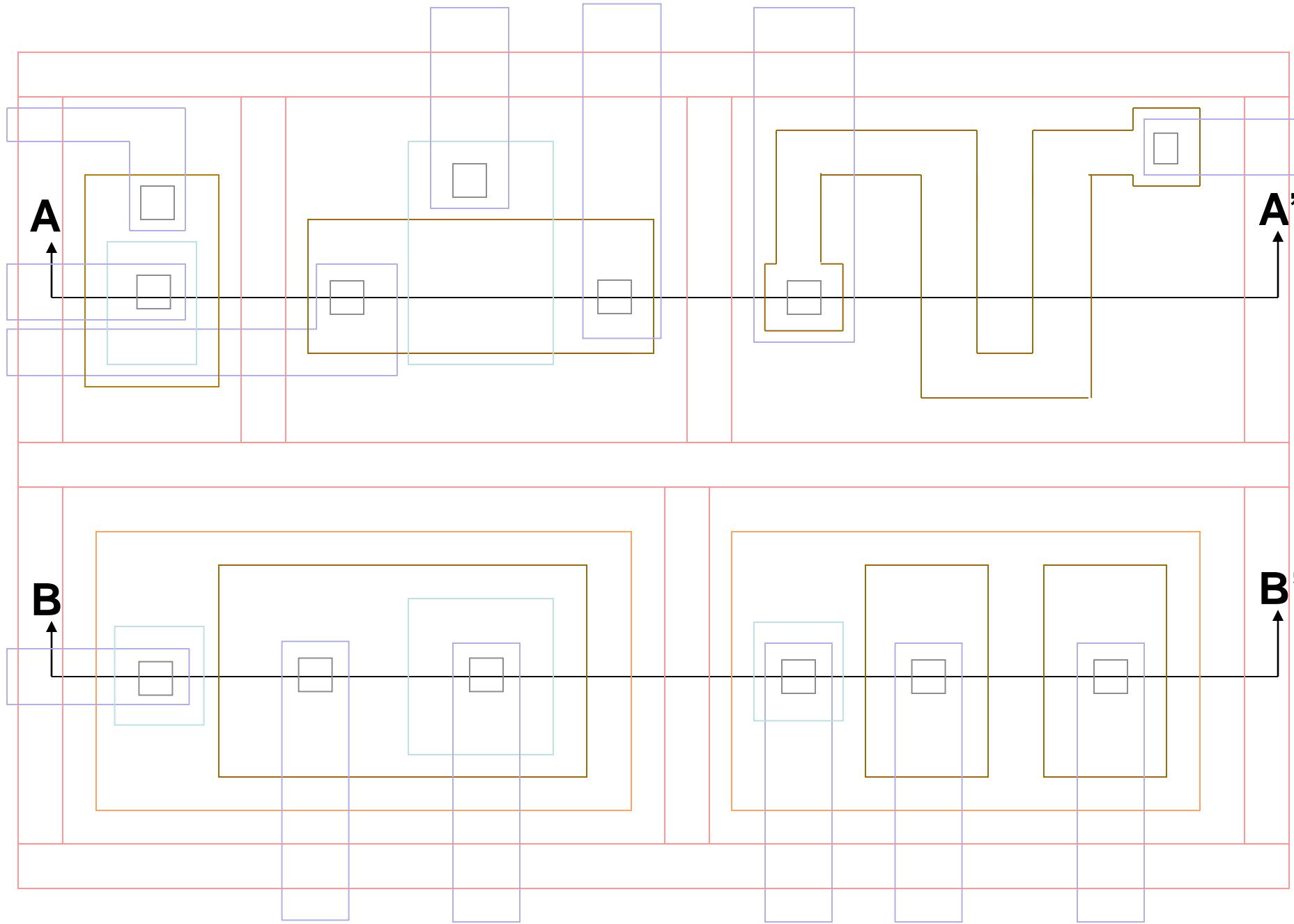
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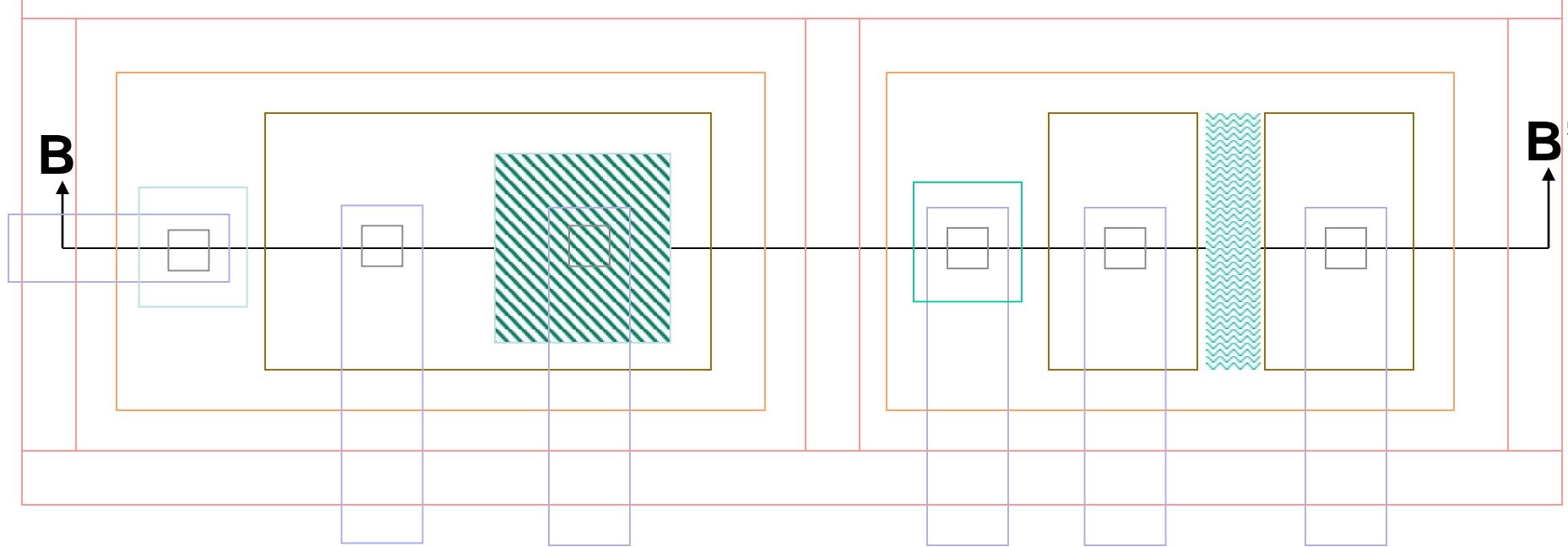
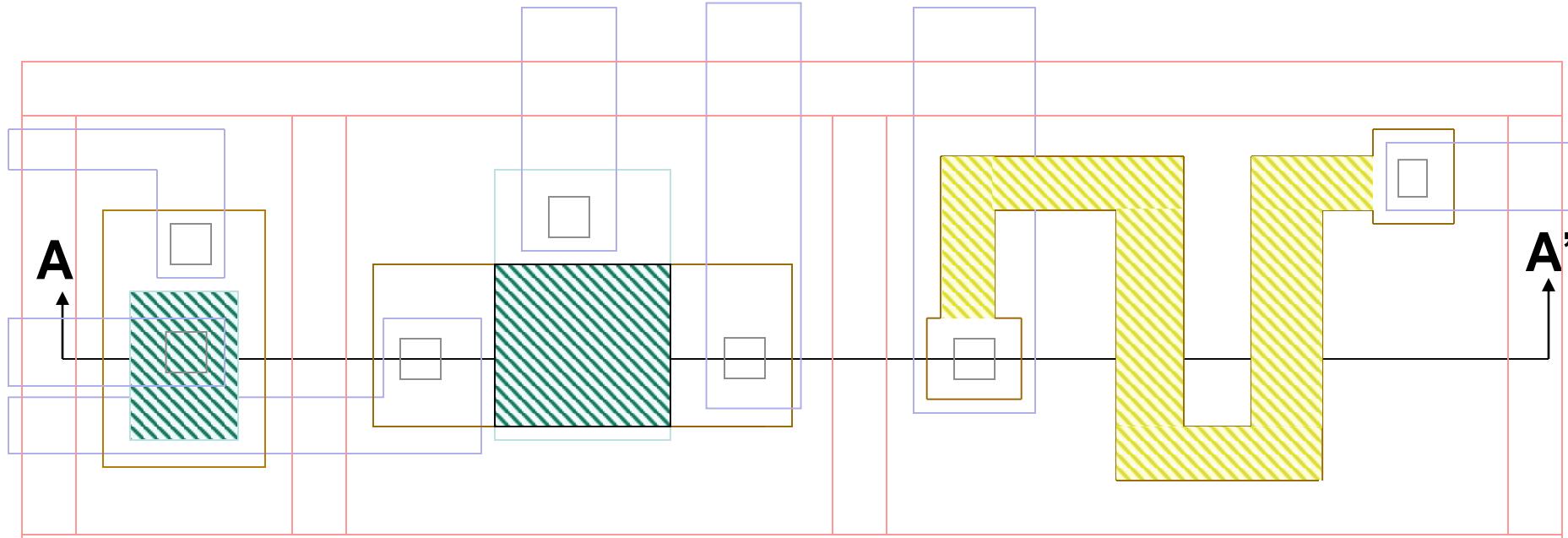
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contact  
metal  
passivation opening

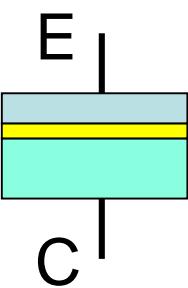
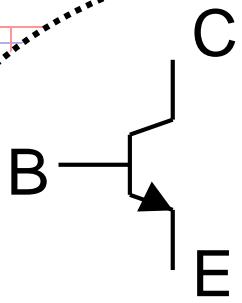
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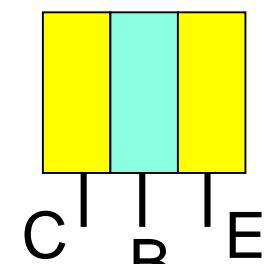
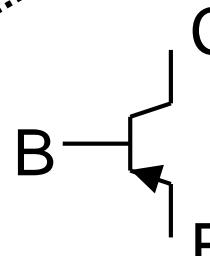


Dimmed features with A-A' and B-B' cross sections





vertical npn



lateral pnp

C

B

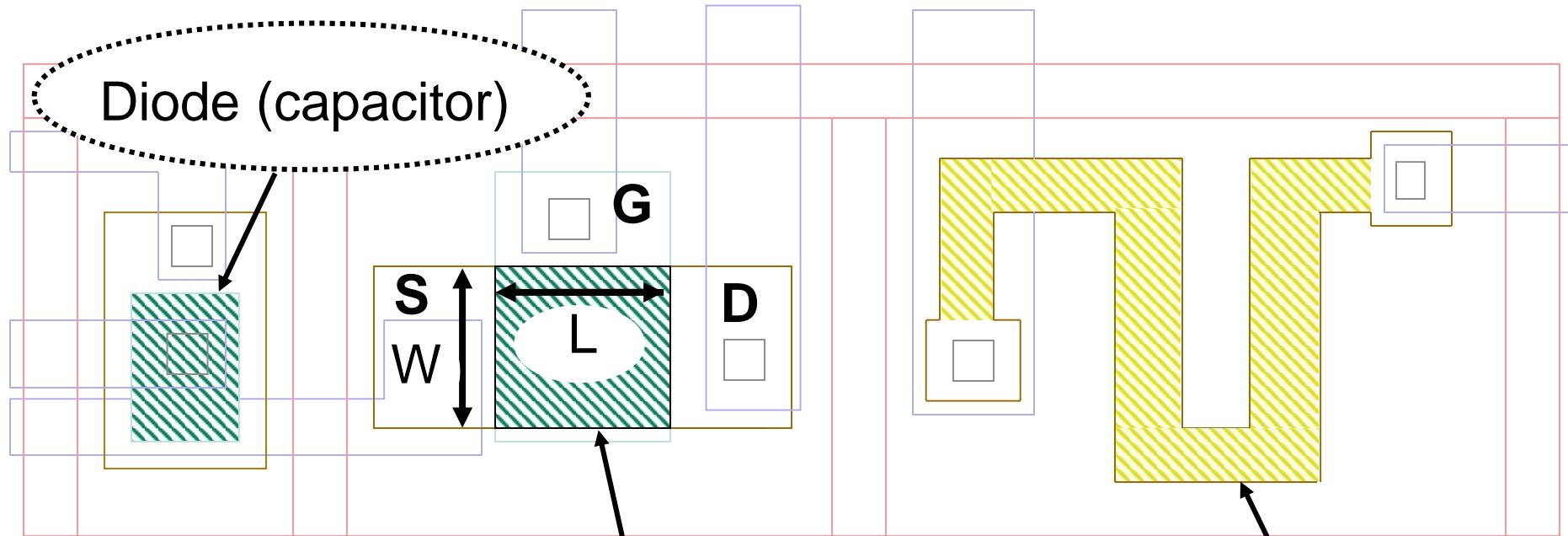
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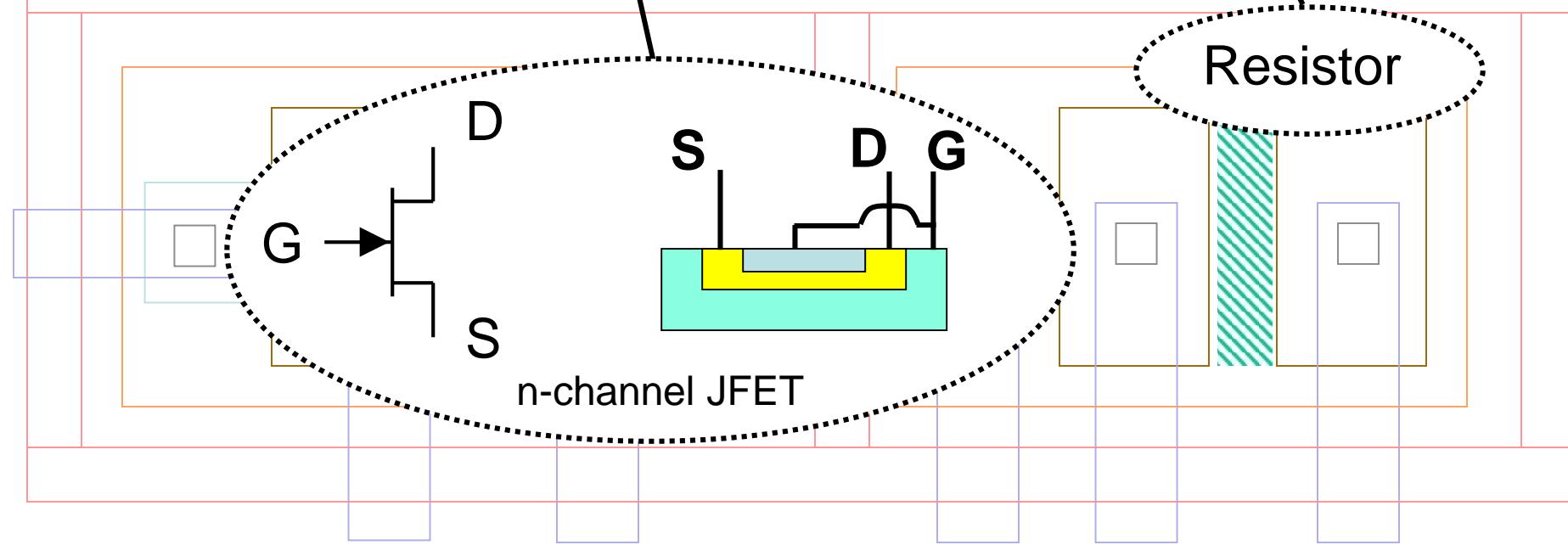
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B

Diode (capacitor)



Resistor



n-channel JFET

# Detailed Description of First Photolithographic Steps Only

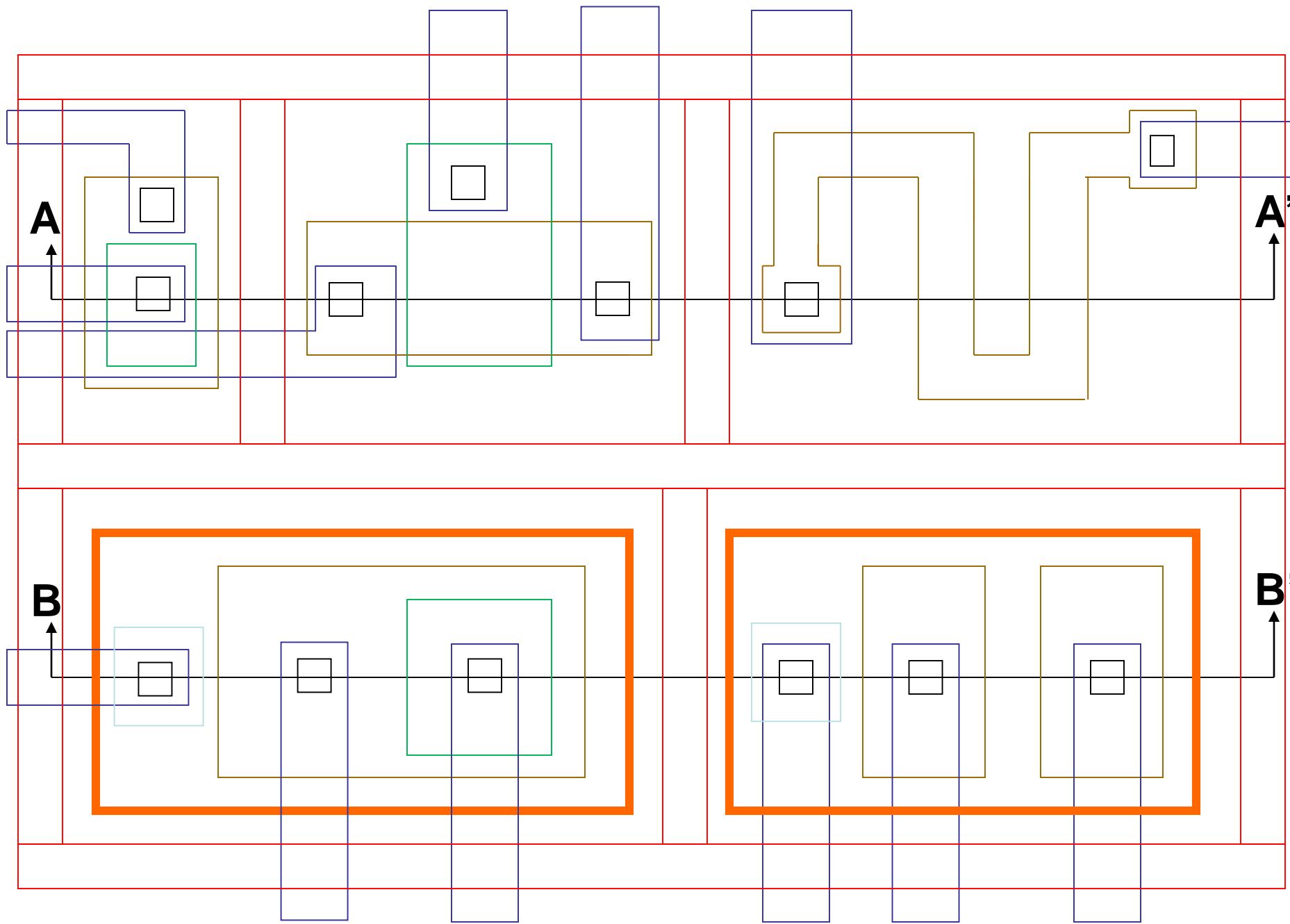
- Top View
- Cross-Section View

# Mask Numbering and Mappings

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	<b>Mask 2</b>	—	isolation diffusion (p <sup>+</sup> )
	<b>Mask 3</b>	—	p-base diffusion
	<b>Mask 4</b>	—	n <sup>+</sup> emitter
	<b>Mask 5</b>	—	contact
	<b>Mask 6</b>	—	metal
	<b>Mask 7</b>	—	passivation opening

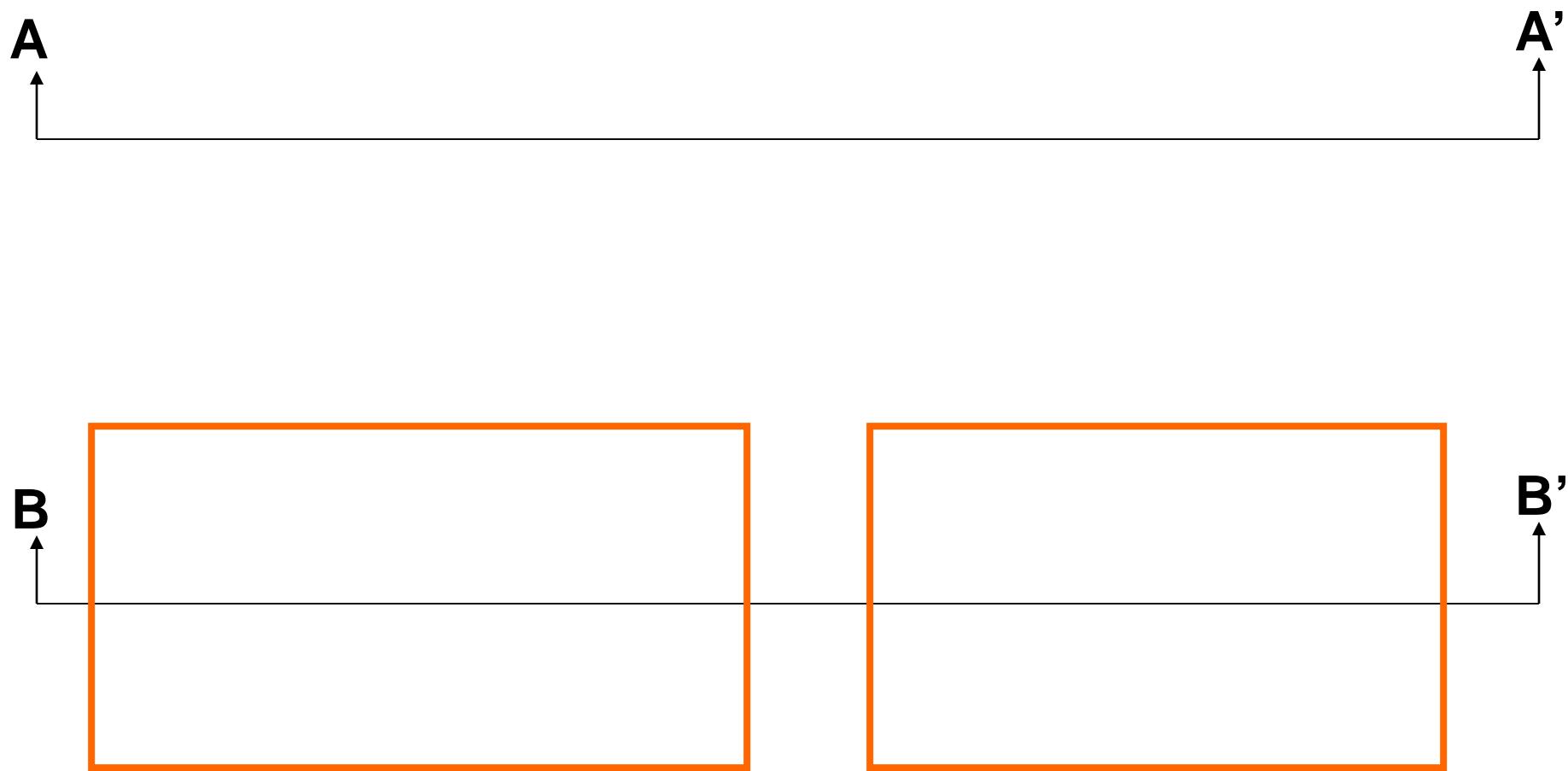
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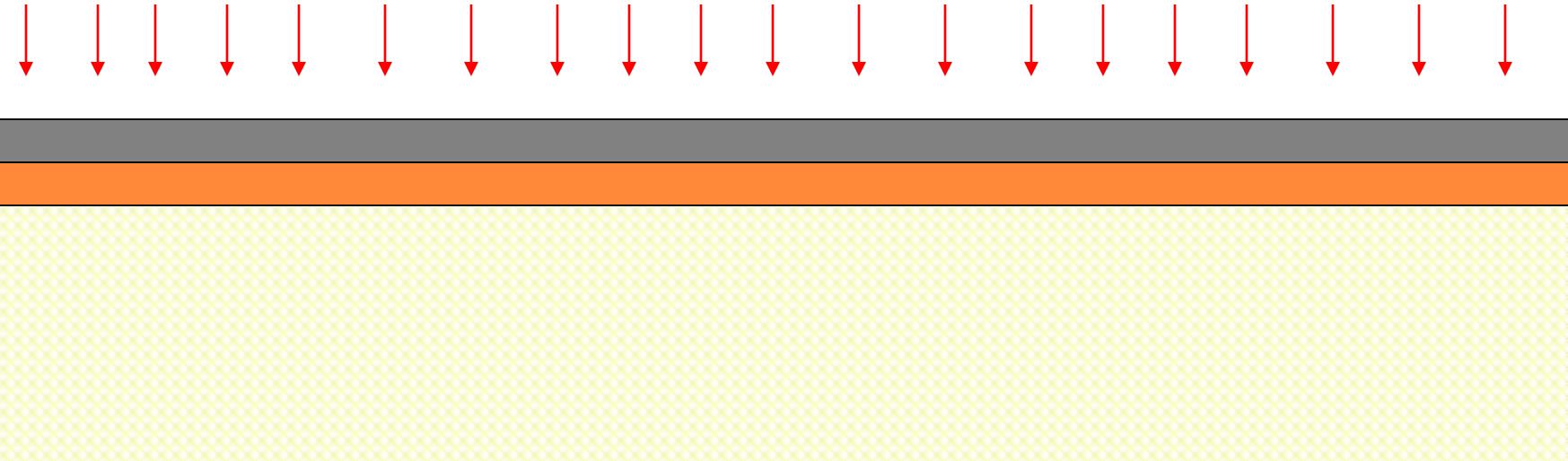


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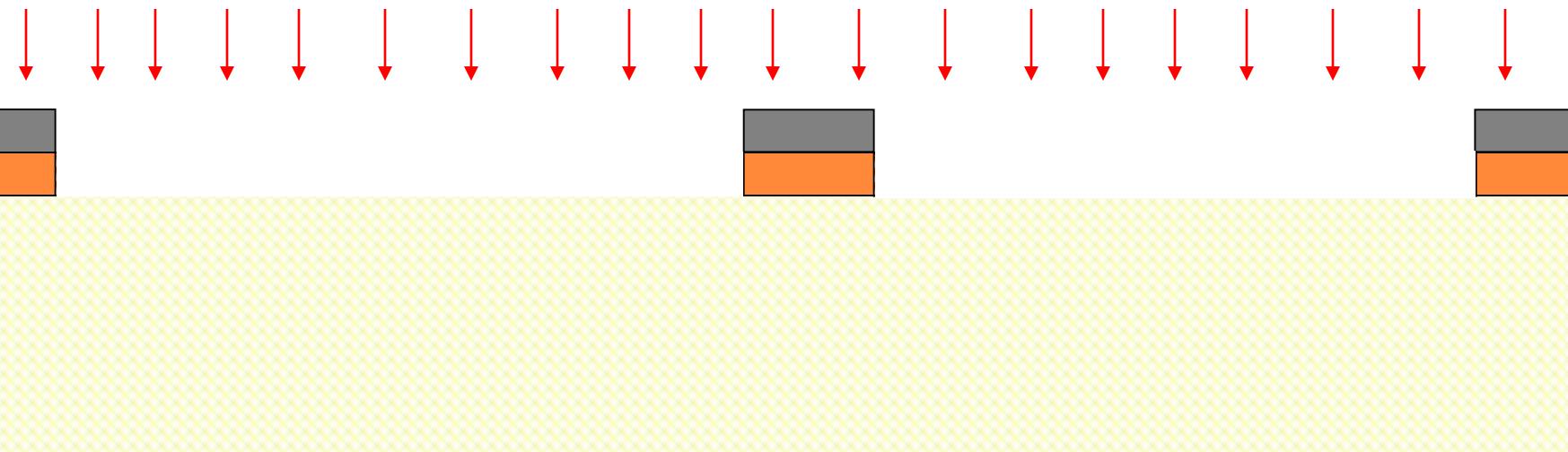
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# Develop

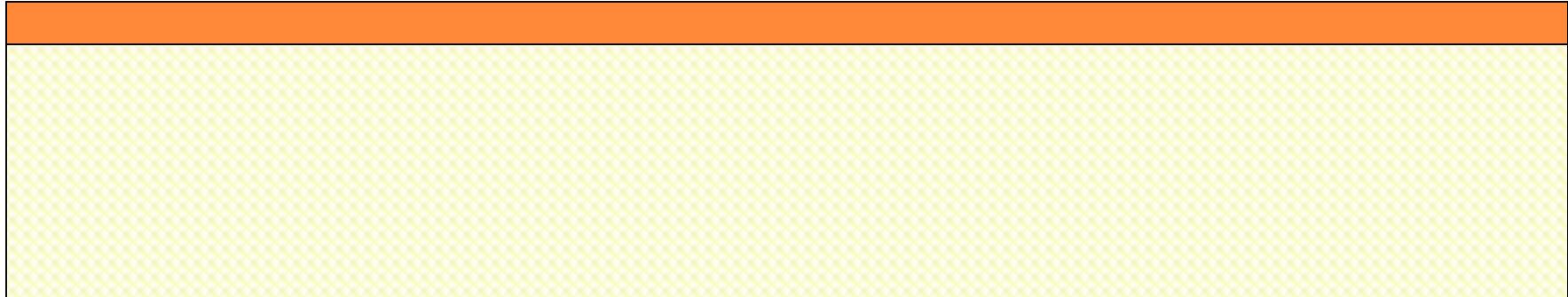


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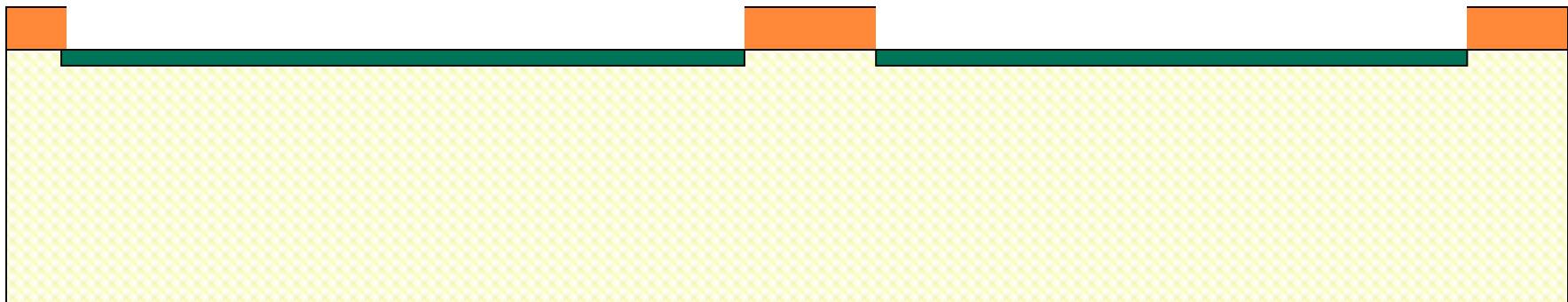


# B-B' Section

# **Implant**

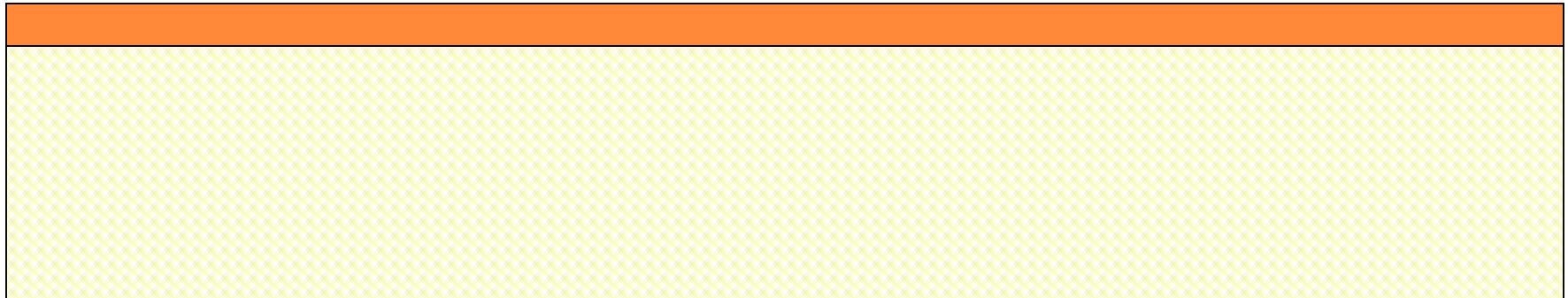


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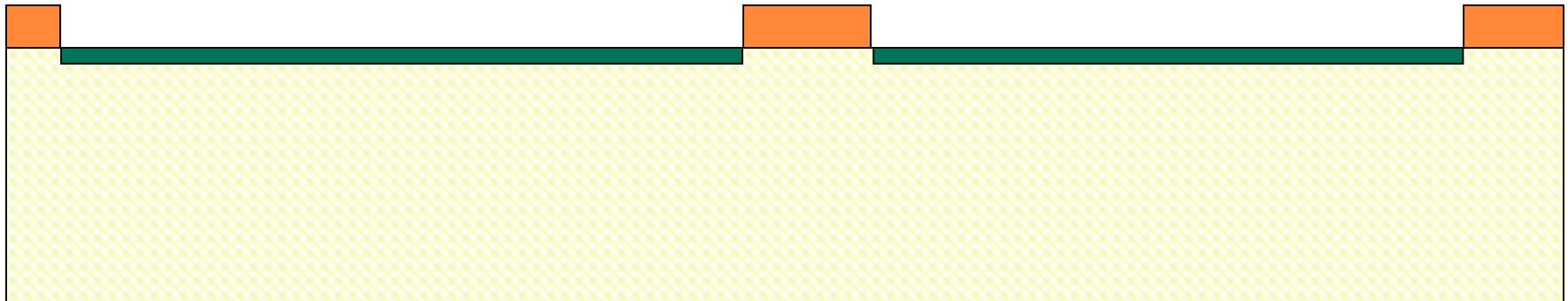


## **B-B' Section**

# Strip Photoresist



**A-A' Section**



**B-B' Section**

p-substrate

A

A'

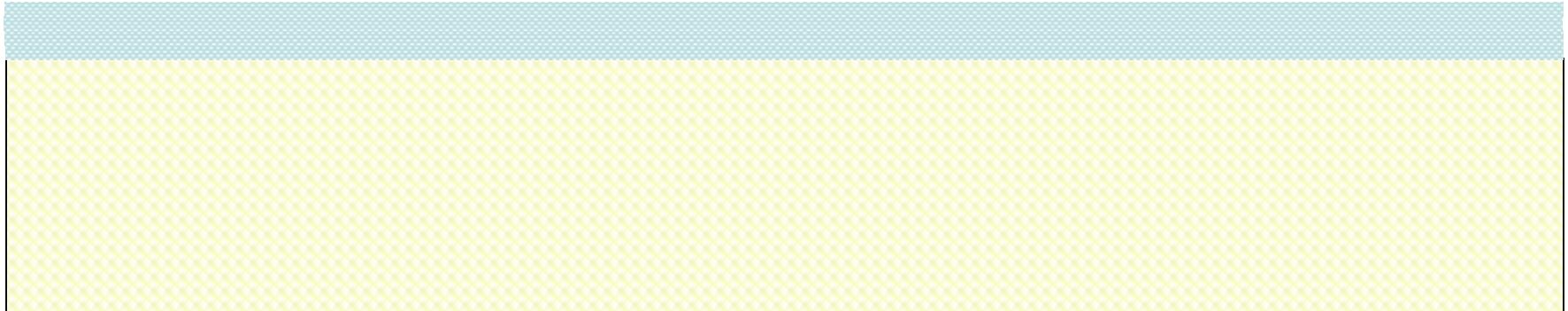
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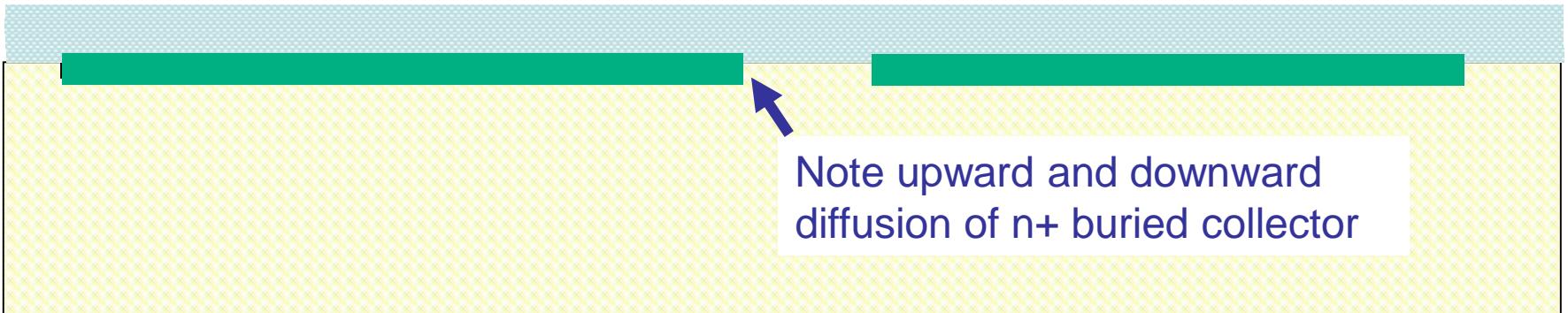
n<sup>+</sup> buried collector

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# Grow Epitaxial Layer



**A-A' Section**



**B-B' Section**

Note upward and downward diffusion of n+ buried collector

# Grow Epitaxial Layer

A



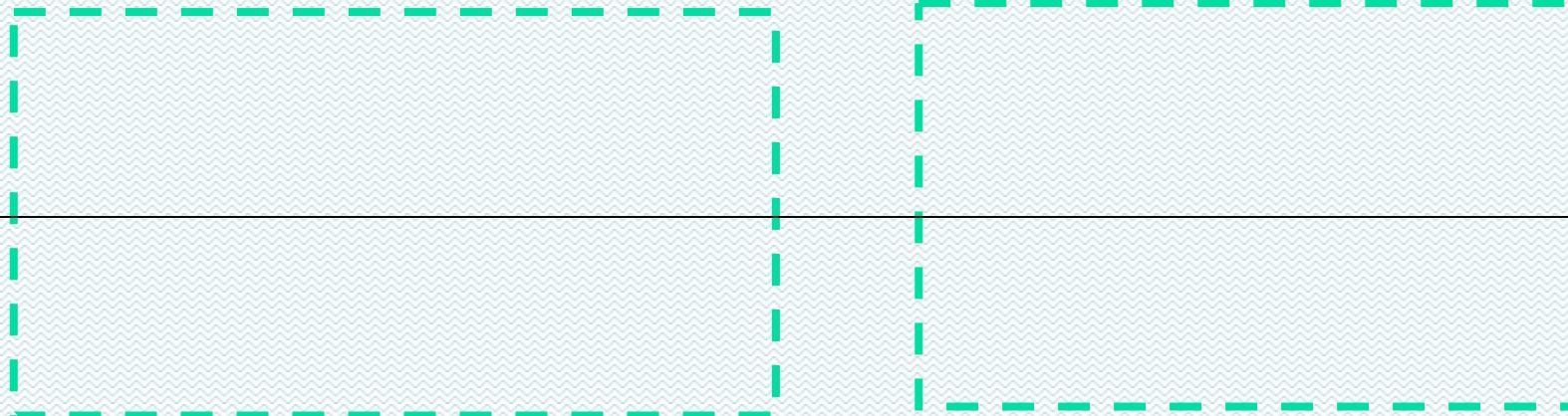
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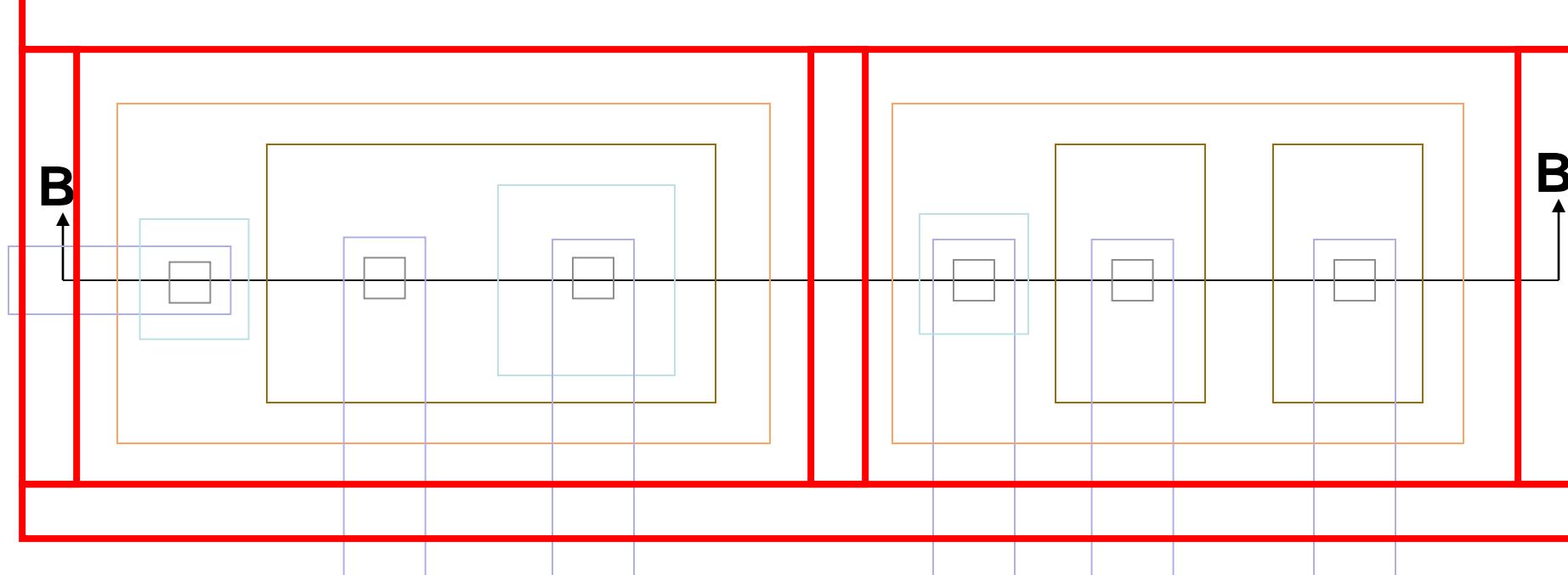
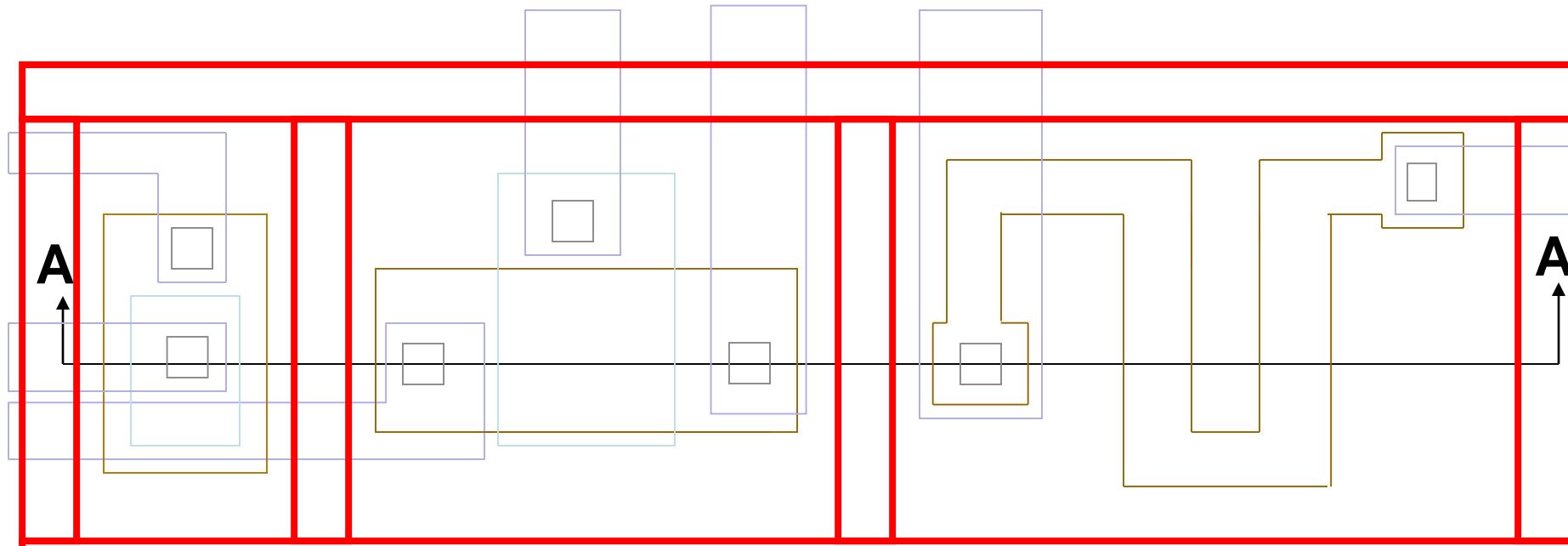
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<b>Mask 5</b>		contact
<b>Mask 6</b>		metal
<b>Mask 7</b>		passivation opening

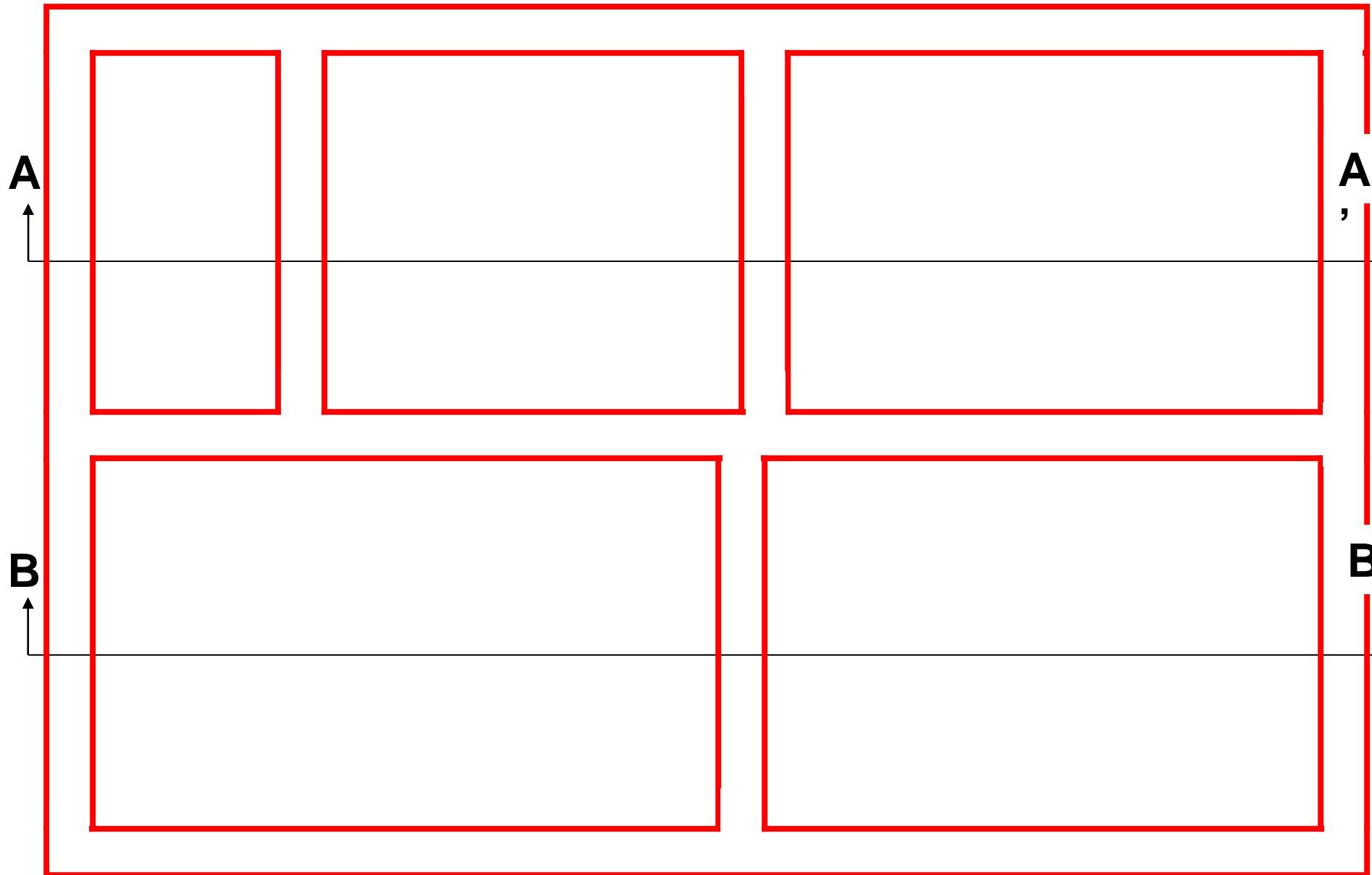
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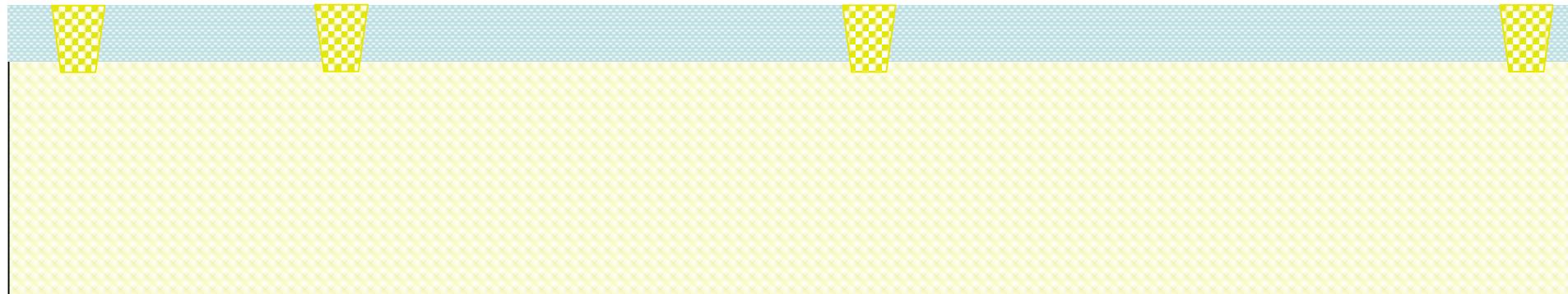
Isolation Diffusion

## Mask 2: Isolation Deposition/Diffusion

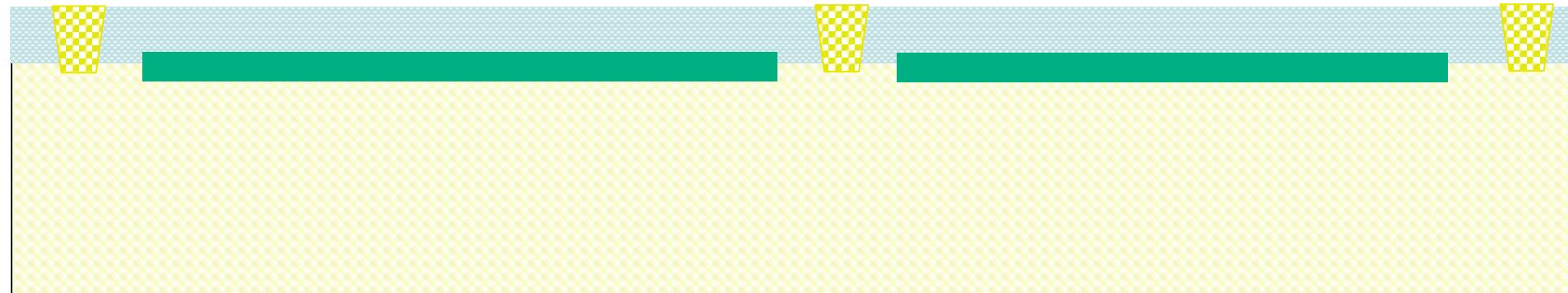


# Isolation Deposition/Diffusion

- Photoresist present but not shown
- Deposition and diffusion combined in slides

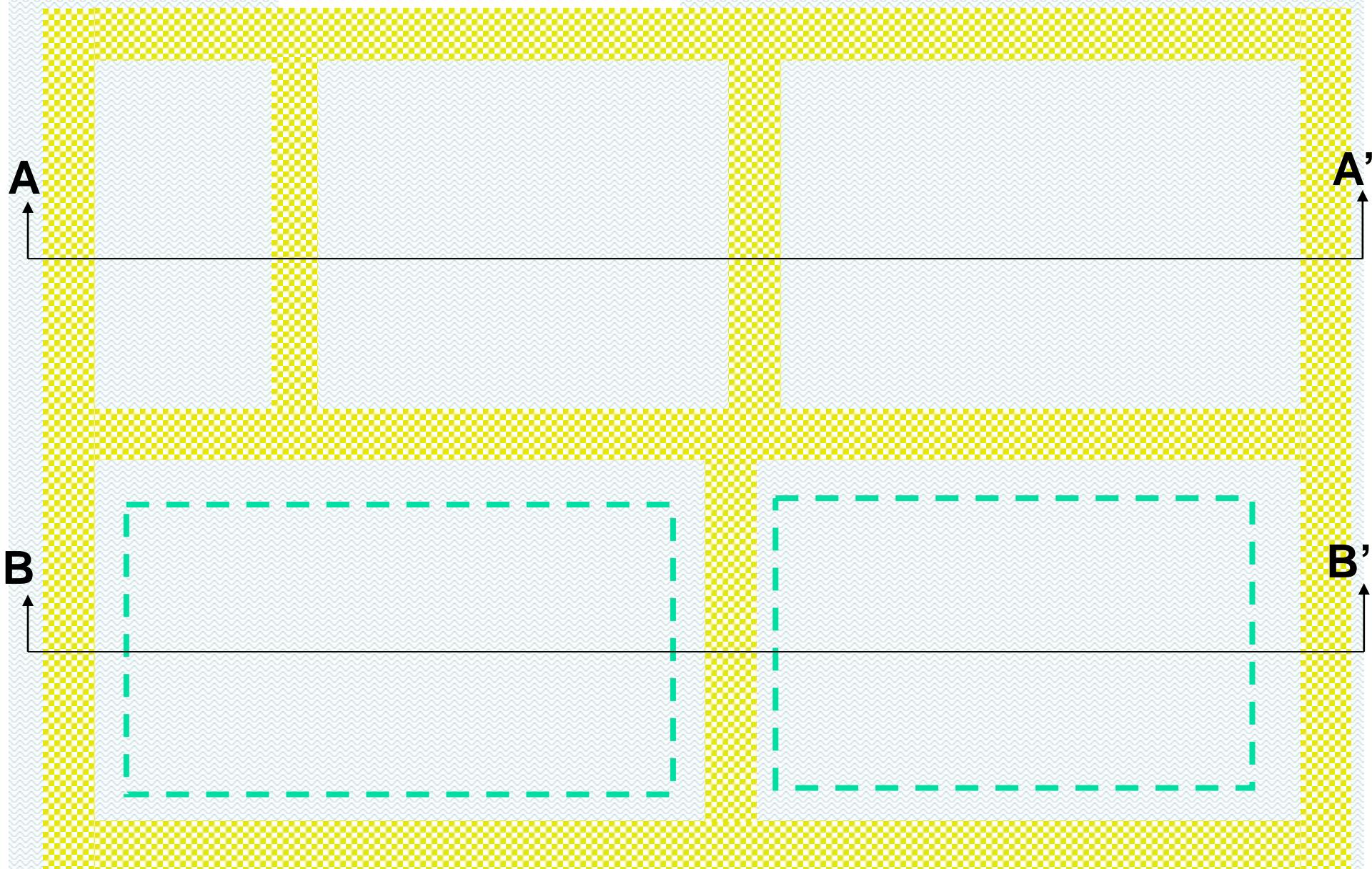


**A-A' Section**



**B-B' Section**

# Isolation Diffusion



Have created 5 “islands” of  $n^+$  material on top of  $p^-$  substrate

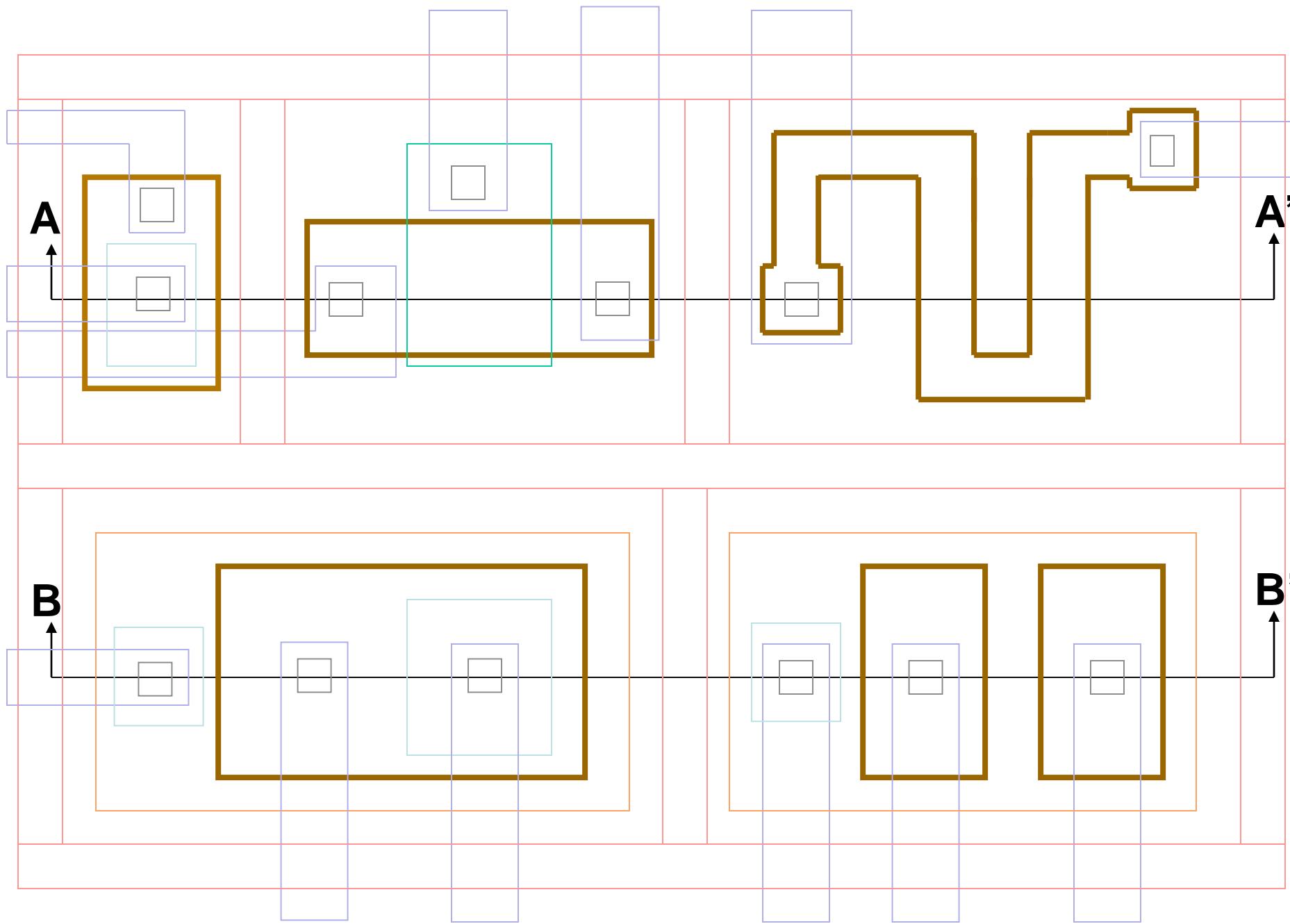
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<b>Mask 5</b>	—	contact
<b>Mask 6</b>	—	metal
<b>Mask 7</b>	—	passivation opening

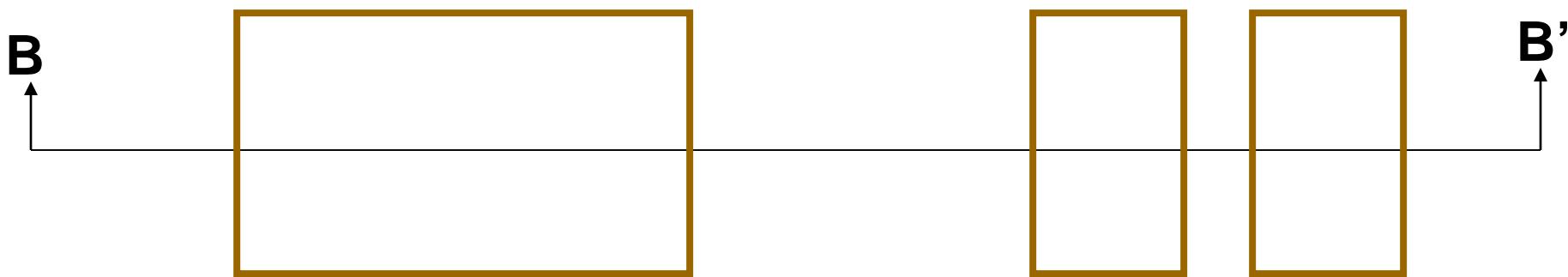
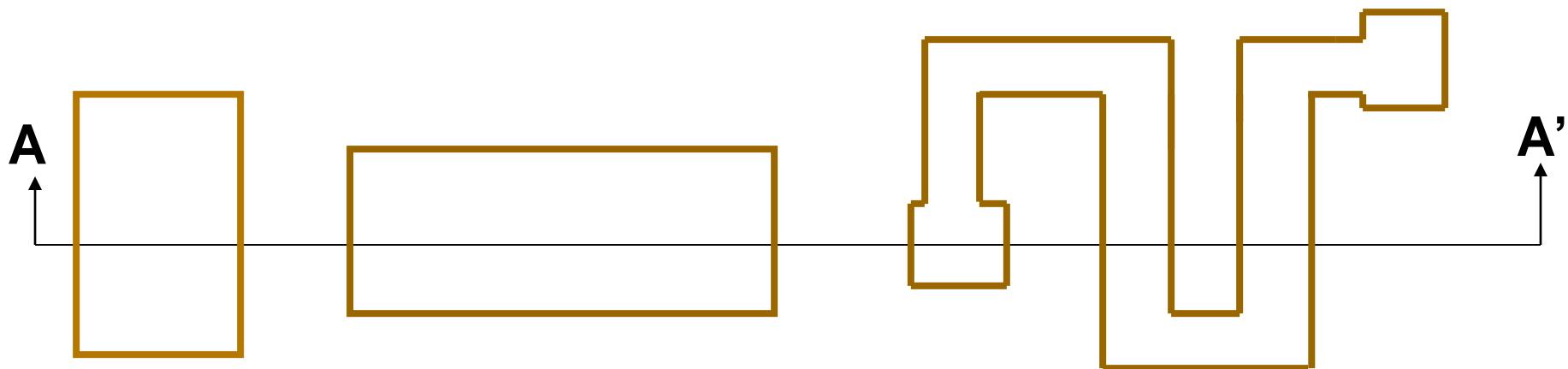
## Notes:

- passivation opening for contacts not shown
- isolation diffusion intentionally not shown to scale



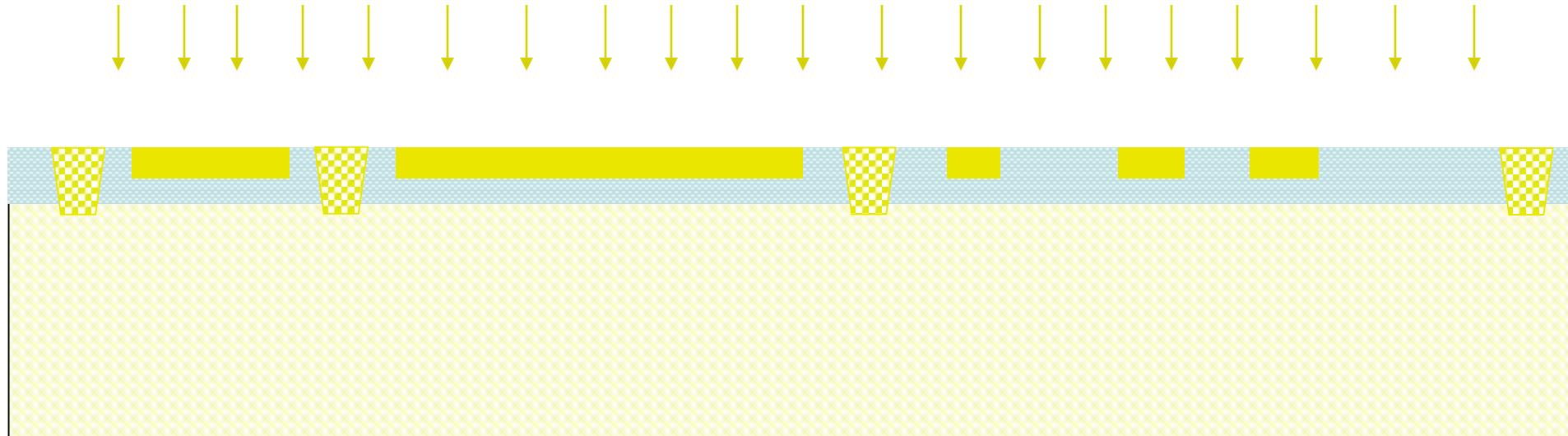
p-base diffusion

Mask 3: p-base diffusion

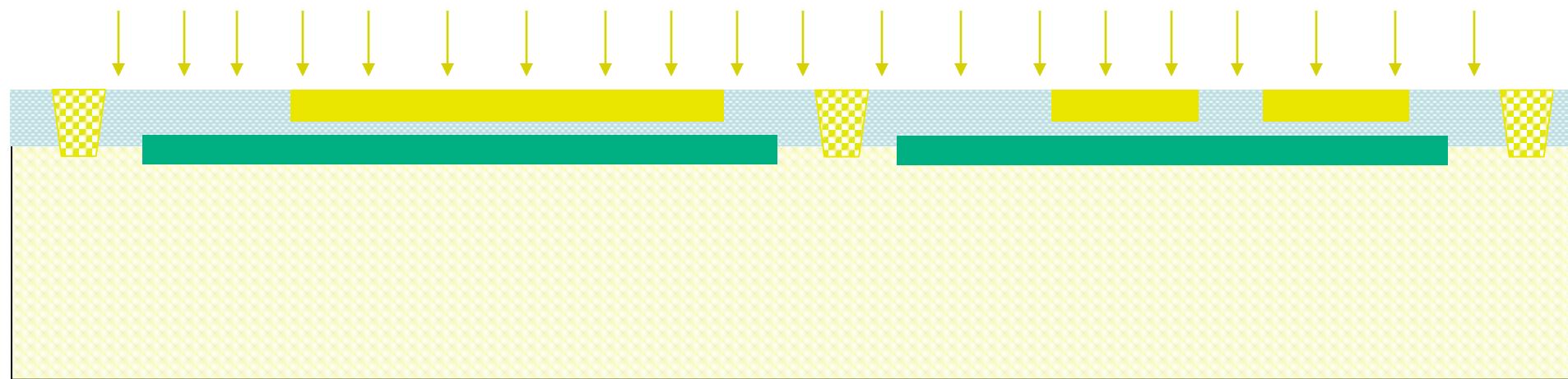


# p-base Diffusion

- Photoresist present but not shown
- Deposition and diffusion combined in slides

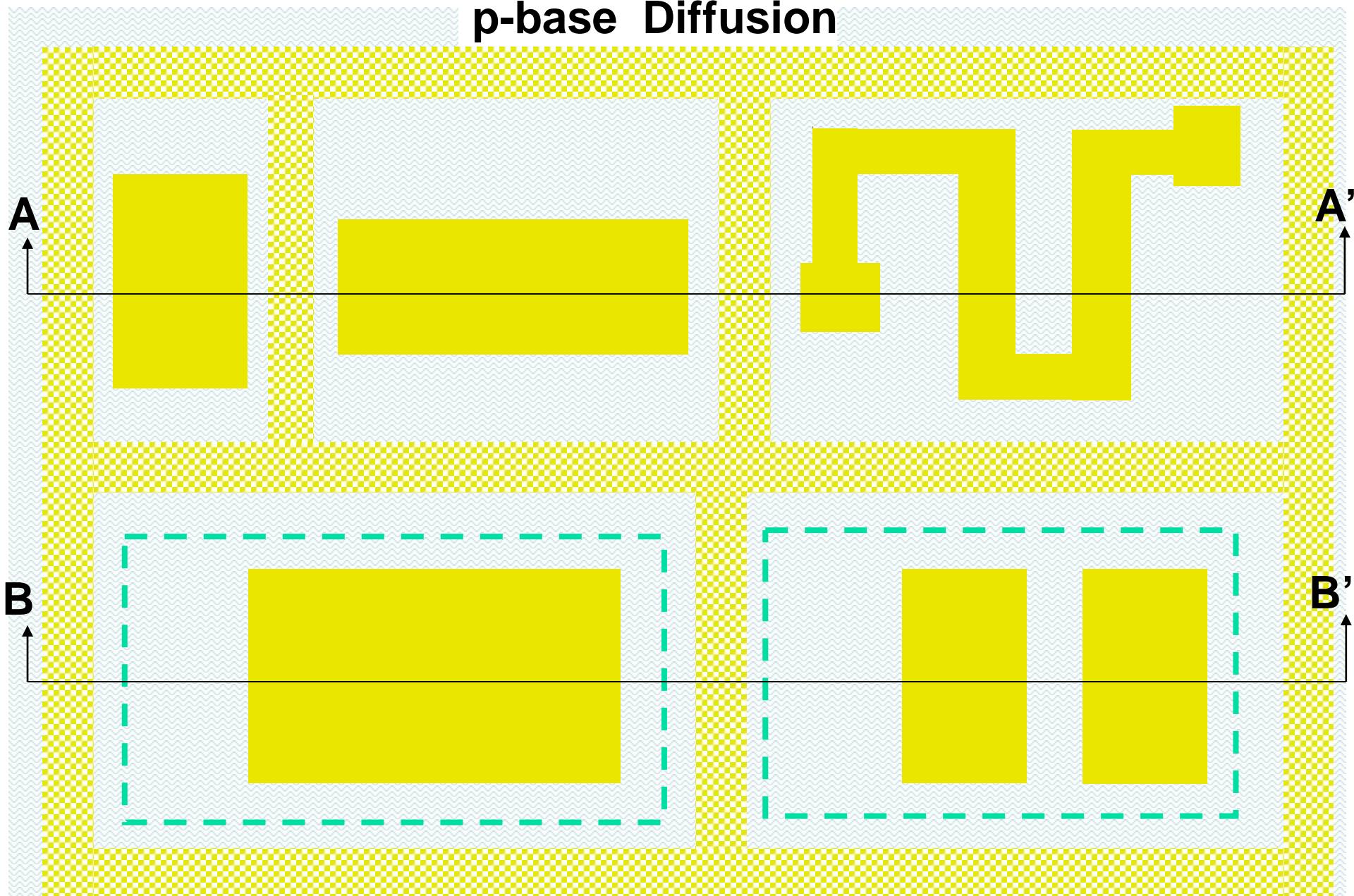


**A-A' Section**



**B-B' Section**

# p-base Diffusion

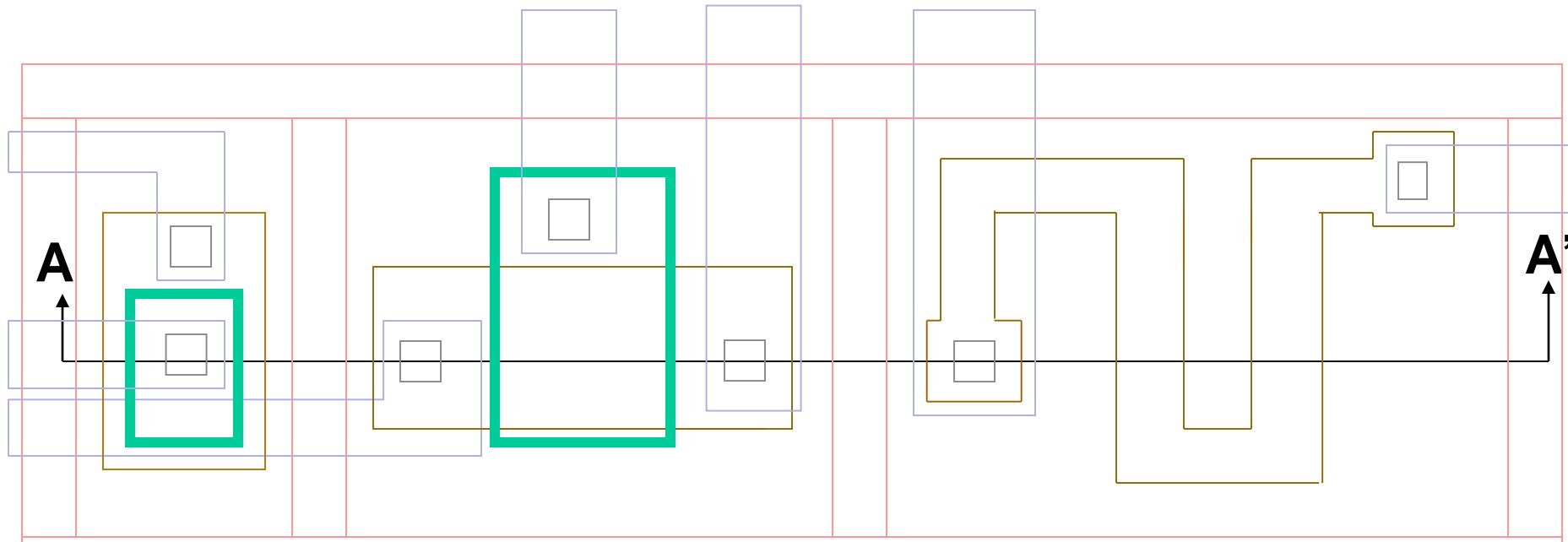


# Mask Numbering and Mappings

<b>Mask 1</b>		$n^+$ buried collector
<b>Mask 2</b>		isolation diffusion ( $p^+$ )
<b>Mask 3</b>		p-base diffusion
<b>Mask 4</b>		$n^+$ emitter
<b>Mask 5</b>		contact
<b>Mask 6</b>		metal
<b>Mask 7</b>		passivation opening

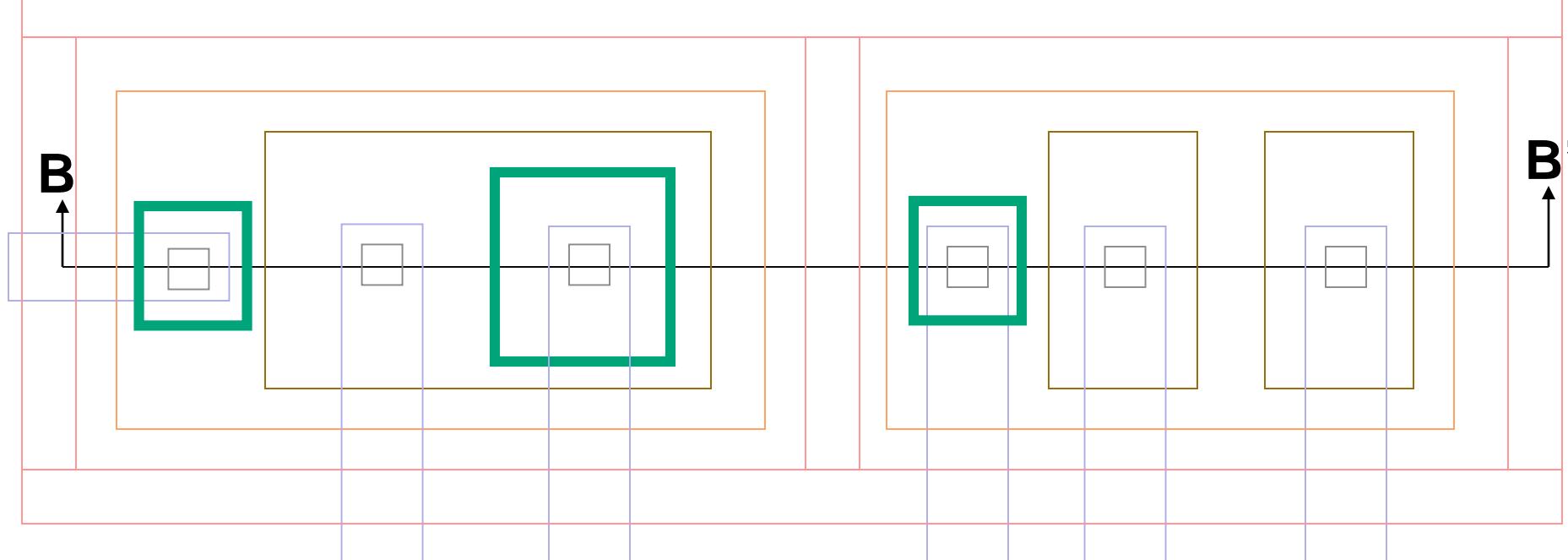
Notes:

- passivation opening for contacts not shown
- isolation diffusion intentionally not shown to scale



**A**

**A'**

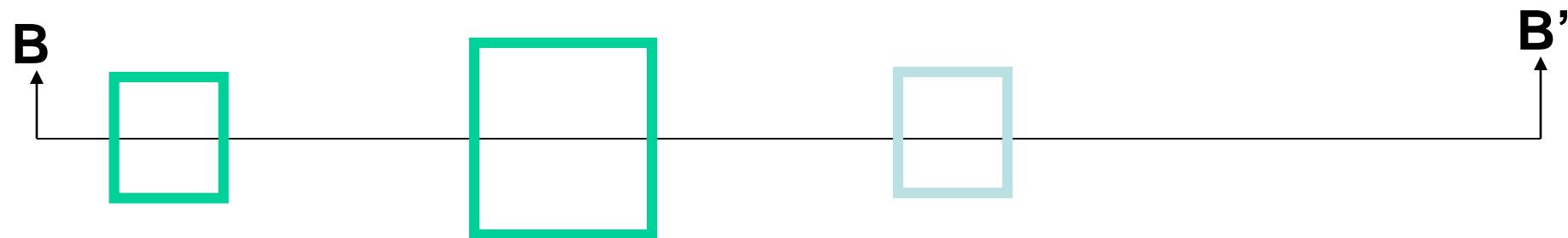
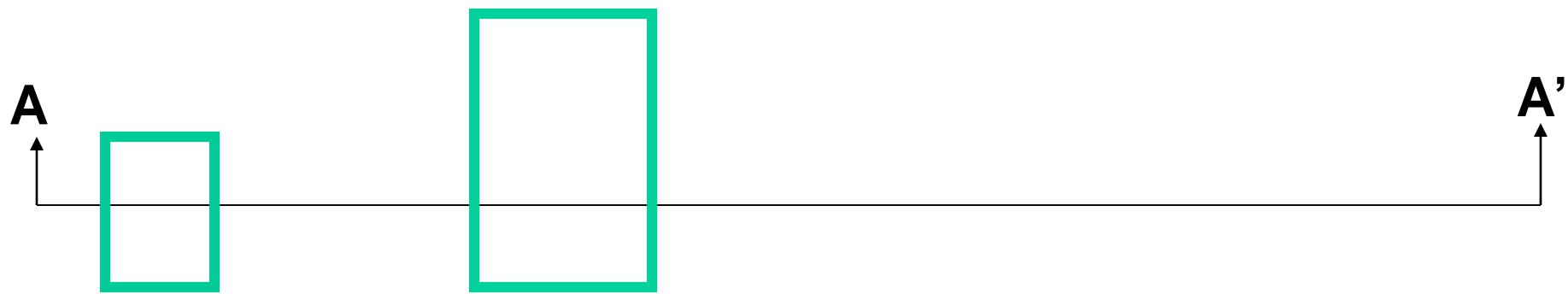


**B**

**B'**

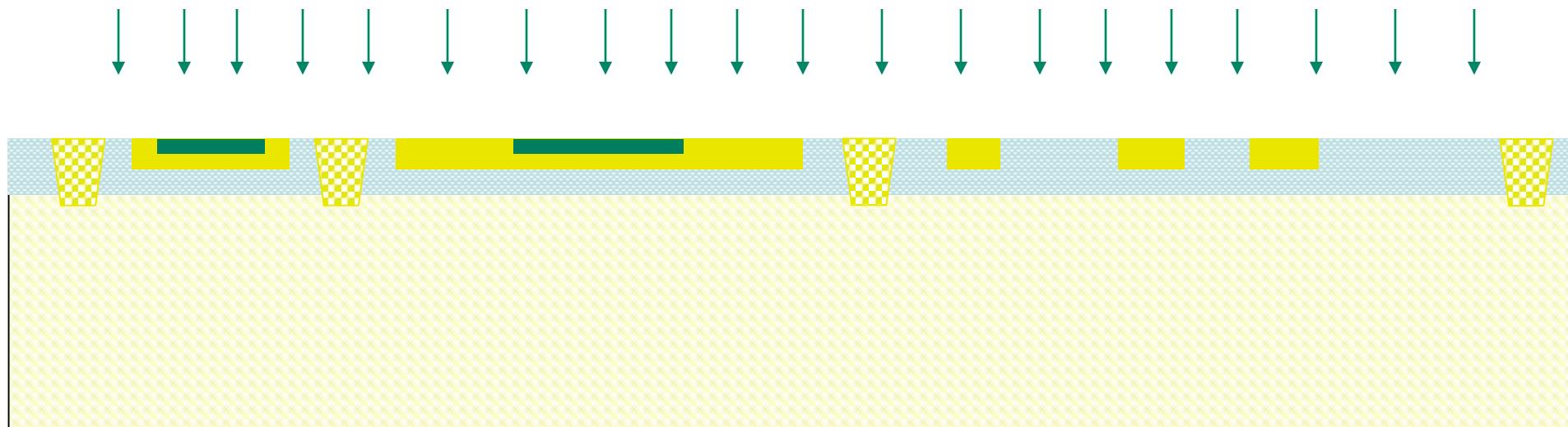
$n^+$  emitter diffusion

## Mask 4: n<sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion

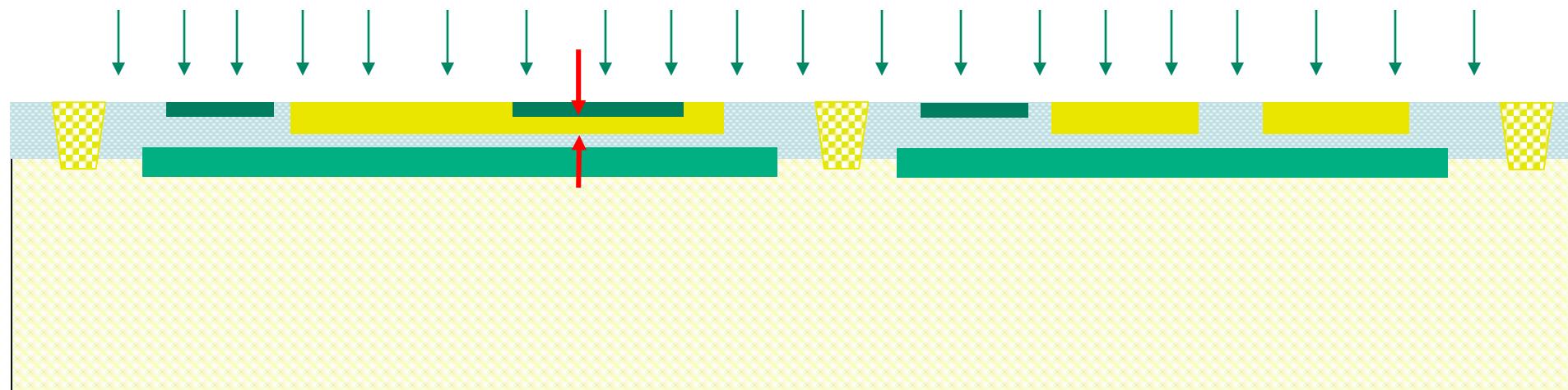


# **n<sup>+</sup> emitter Diffusion**

- Photoresist present but not shown
- Deposition and diffusion combined in slides



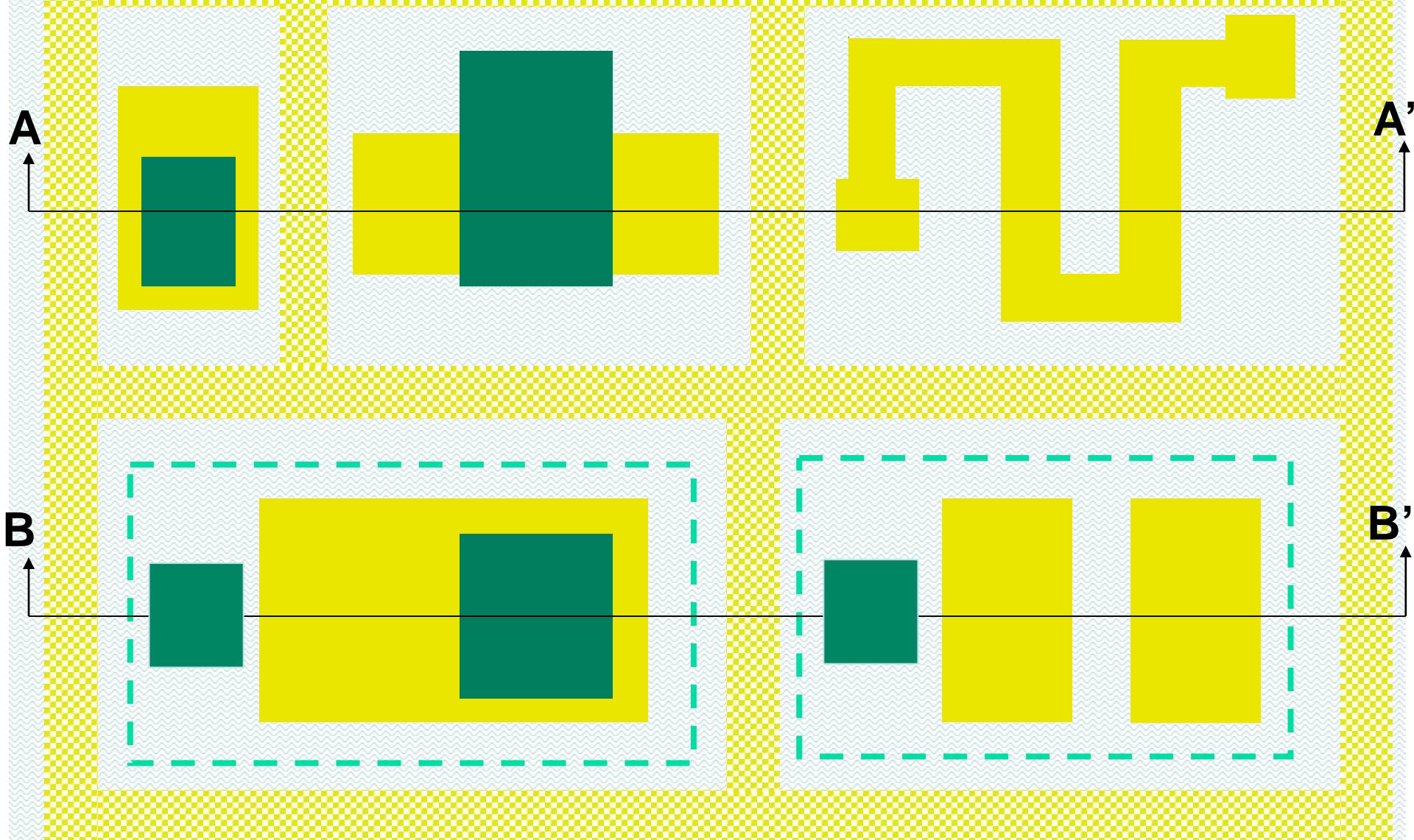
**A-A' Section**



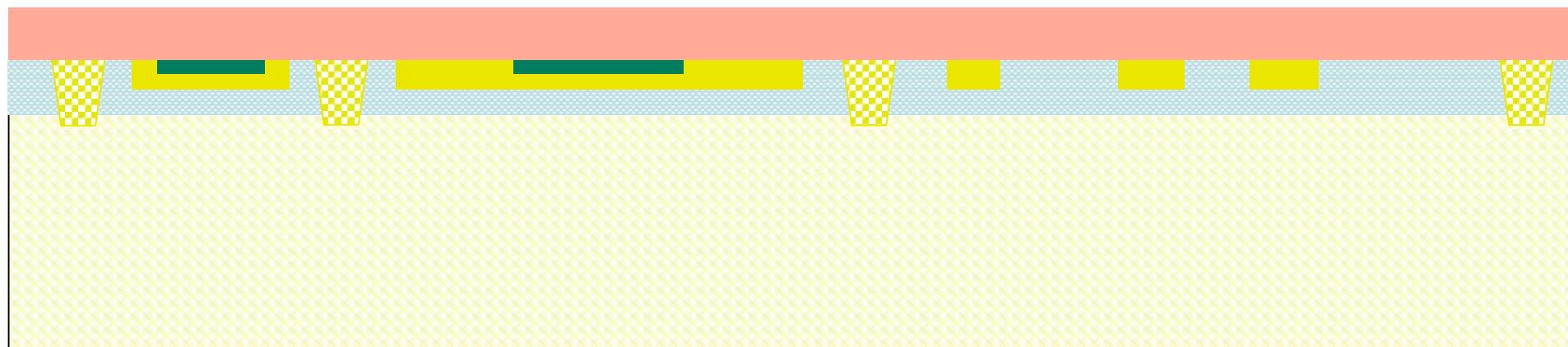
**B-B' Section**

Emitter diffusion typically leaves only thin base area underneath

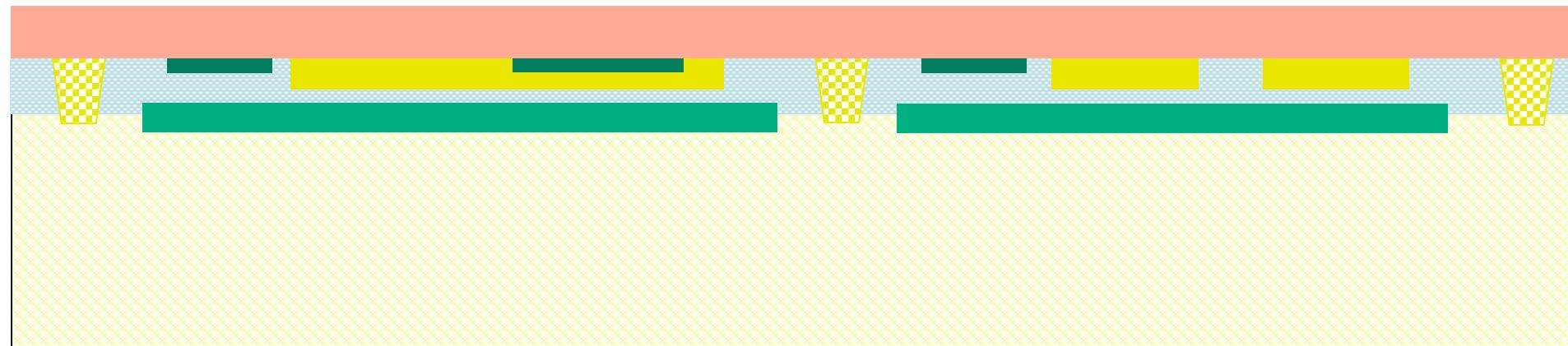
# **n<sup>+</sup> emitter Diffusion**



# Oxidation



**A-A' Section**



**B-B' Section**

# Oxidation

A

B

A'

B'

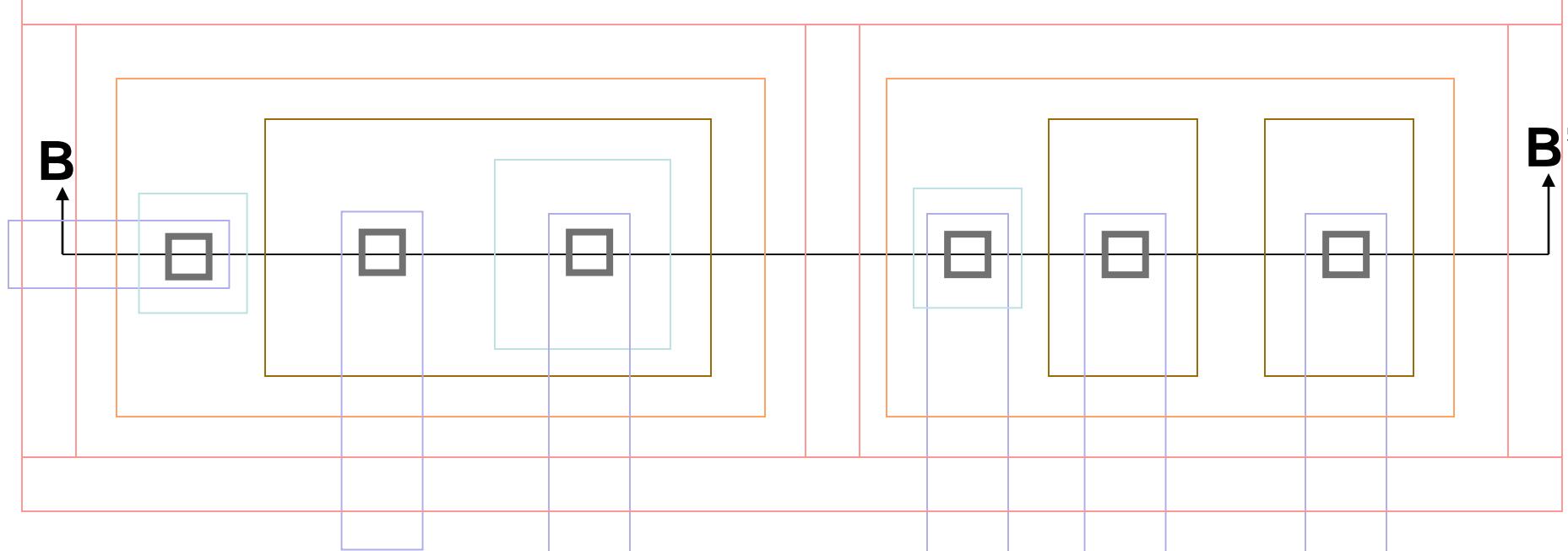
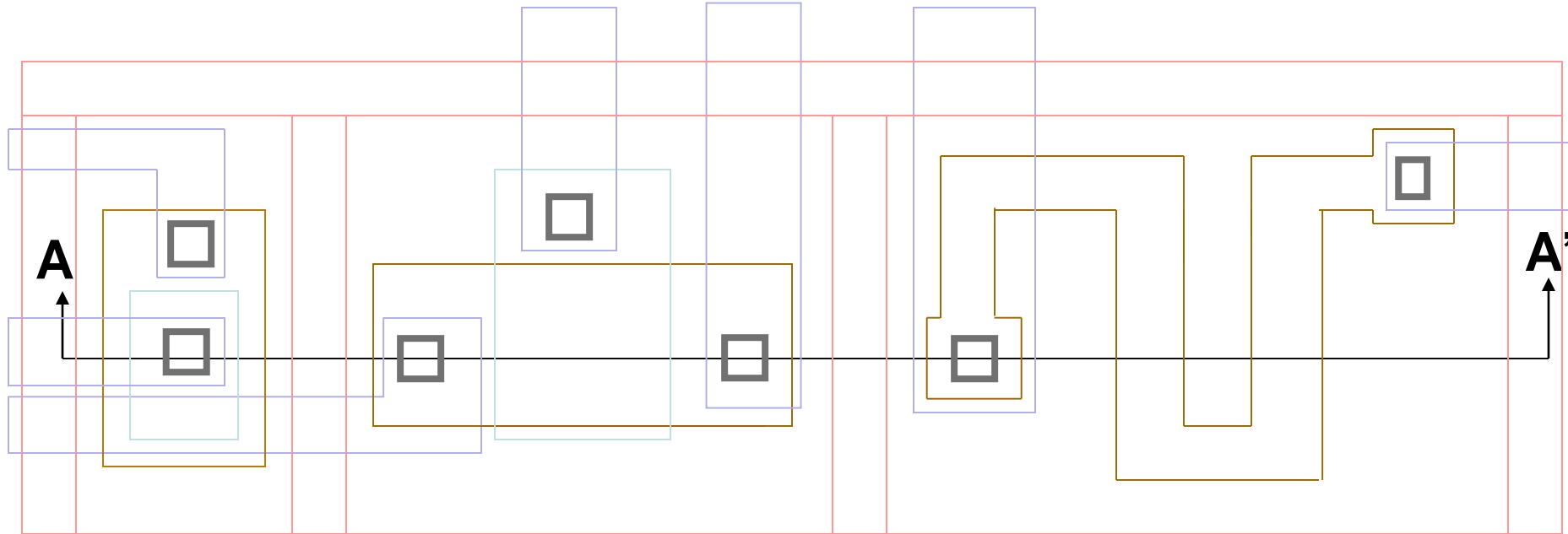
# Mask Numbering and Mappings



<b>Mask 1</b>	_____	n <sup>+</sup> buried collector
<b>Mask 2</b>	_____	isolation diffusion (p <sup>+</sup> )
<b>Mask 3</b>	_____	p-base diffusion
<b>Mask 4</b>	_____	n <sup>+</sup> emitter
<b>Mask 5</b>	_____	contact
<b>Mask 6</b>	_____	metal
<b>Mask 7</b>	_____	passivation opening

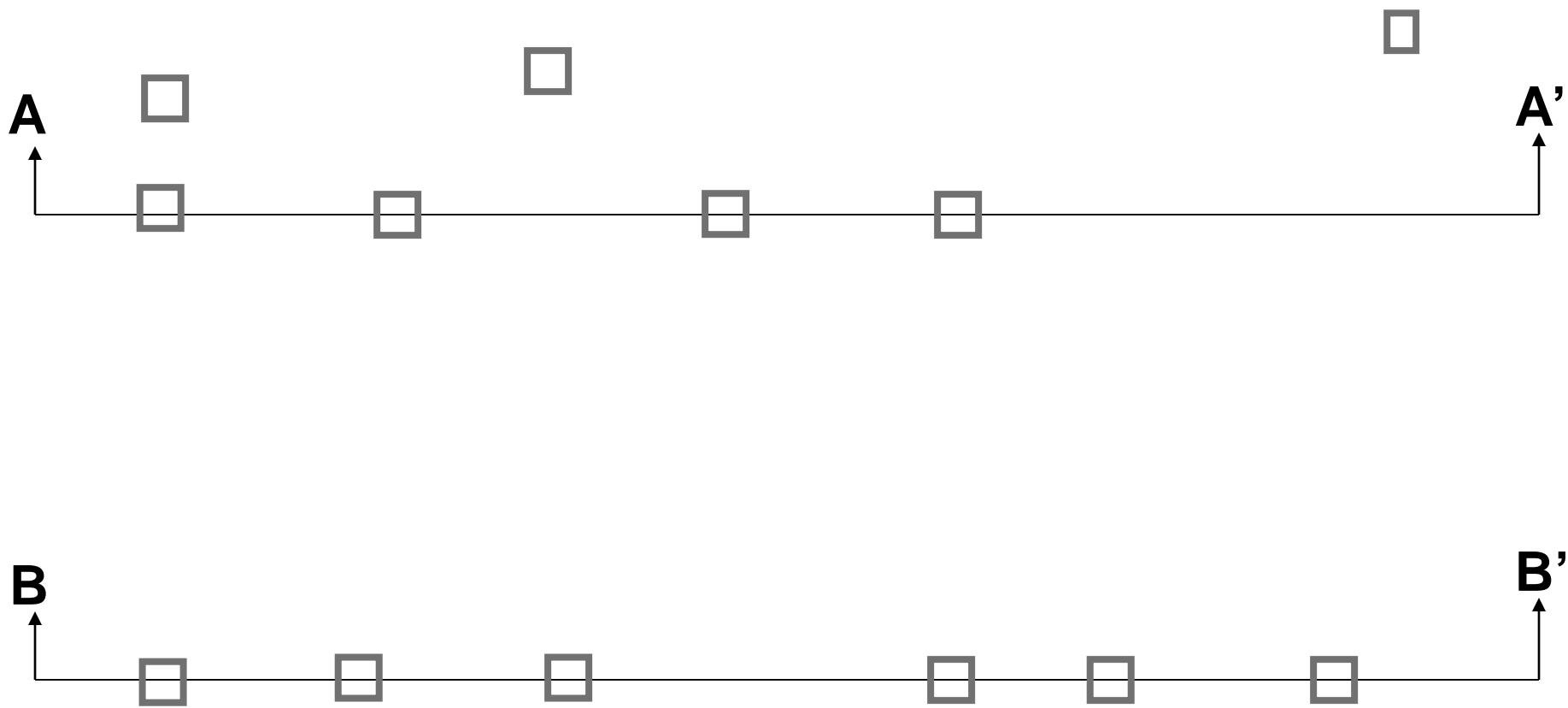
Notes:

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- isolation diffusion intentionally not shown to scale



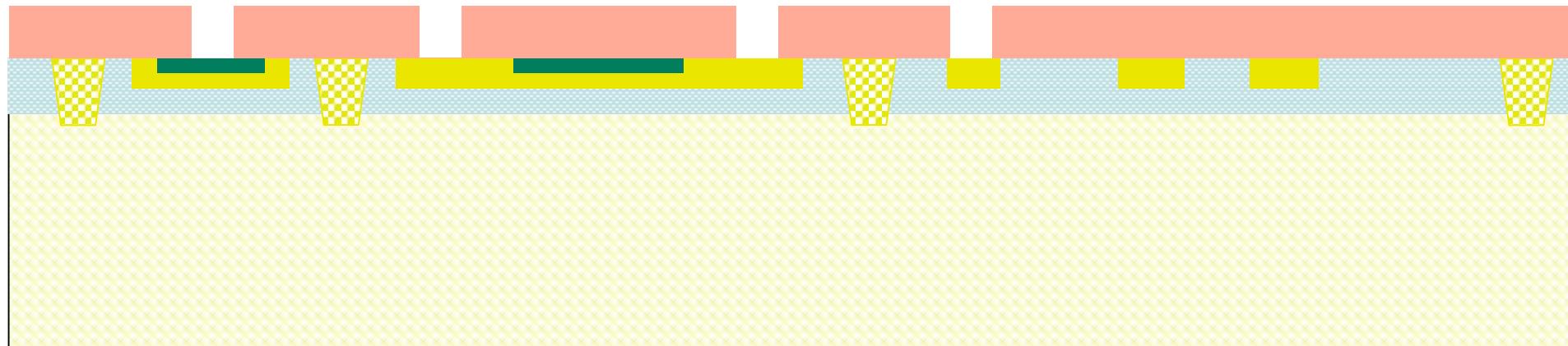
contacts

## Mask 5: contacts

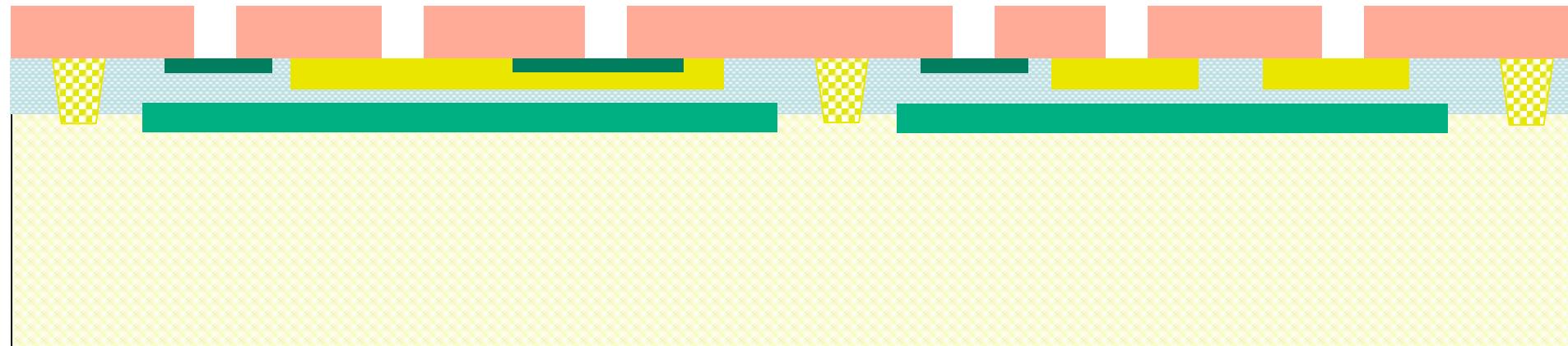


# Contact Openings

- Photoresist present but not shown
- Deposition and diffusion combined in slides

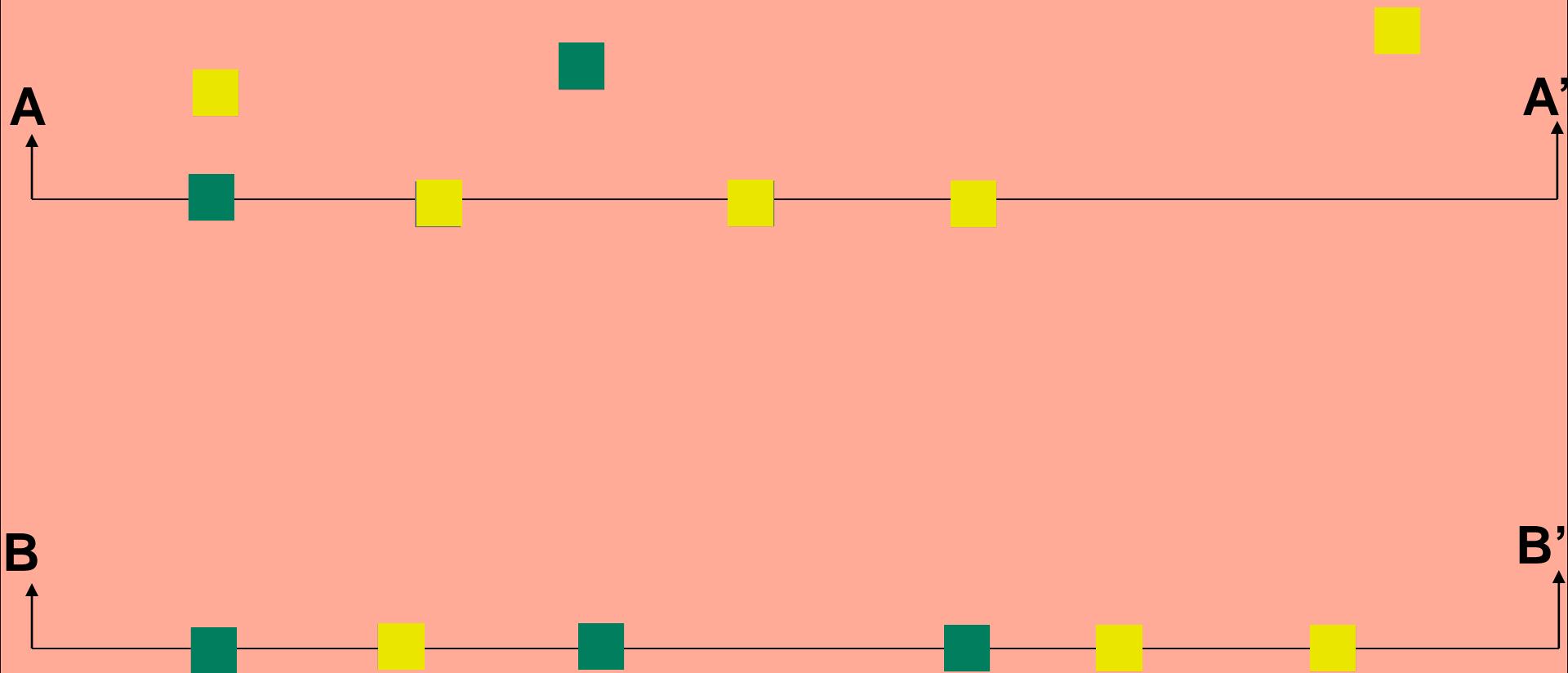


**A-A' Section**



**B-B' Section**

# Contact Openings



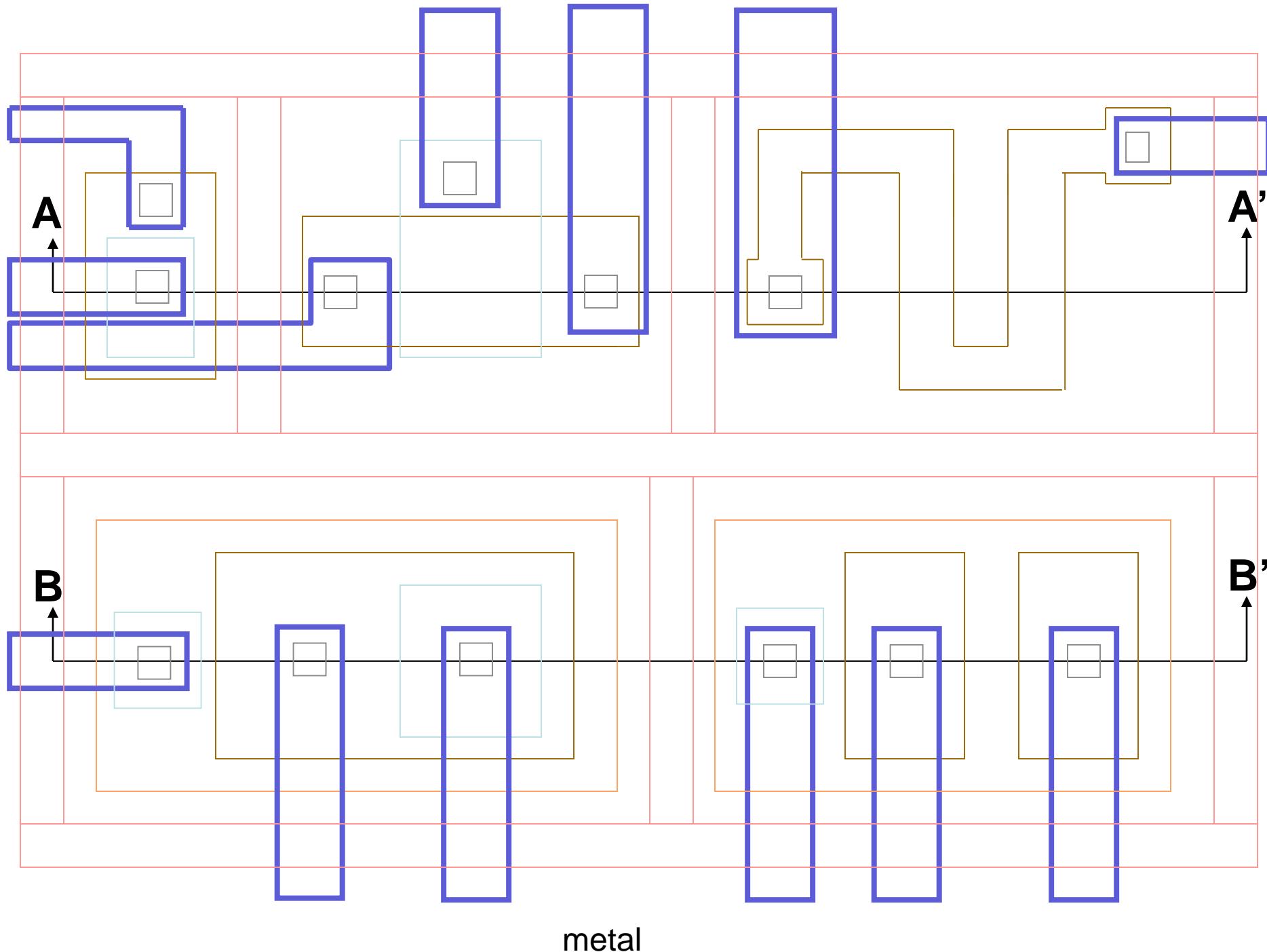
# Mask Numbering and Mappings

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<b>Mask 2</b>		isolation diffusion ( $p^+$ )
<b>Mask 3</b>		p-base diffusion
<b>Mask 4</b>		$n^+$ emitter
<b>Mask 5</b>		contact
<b>Mask 6</b>		metal
<b>Mask 7</b>		passivation opening

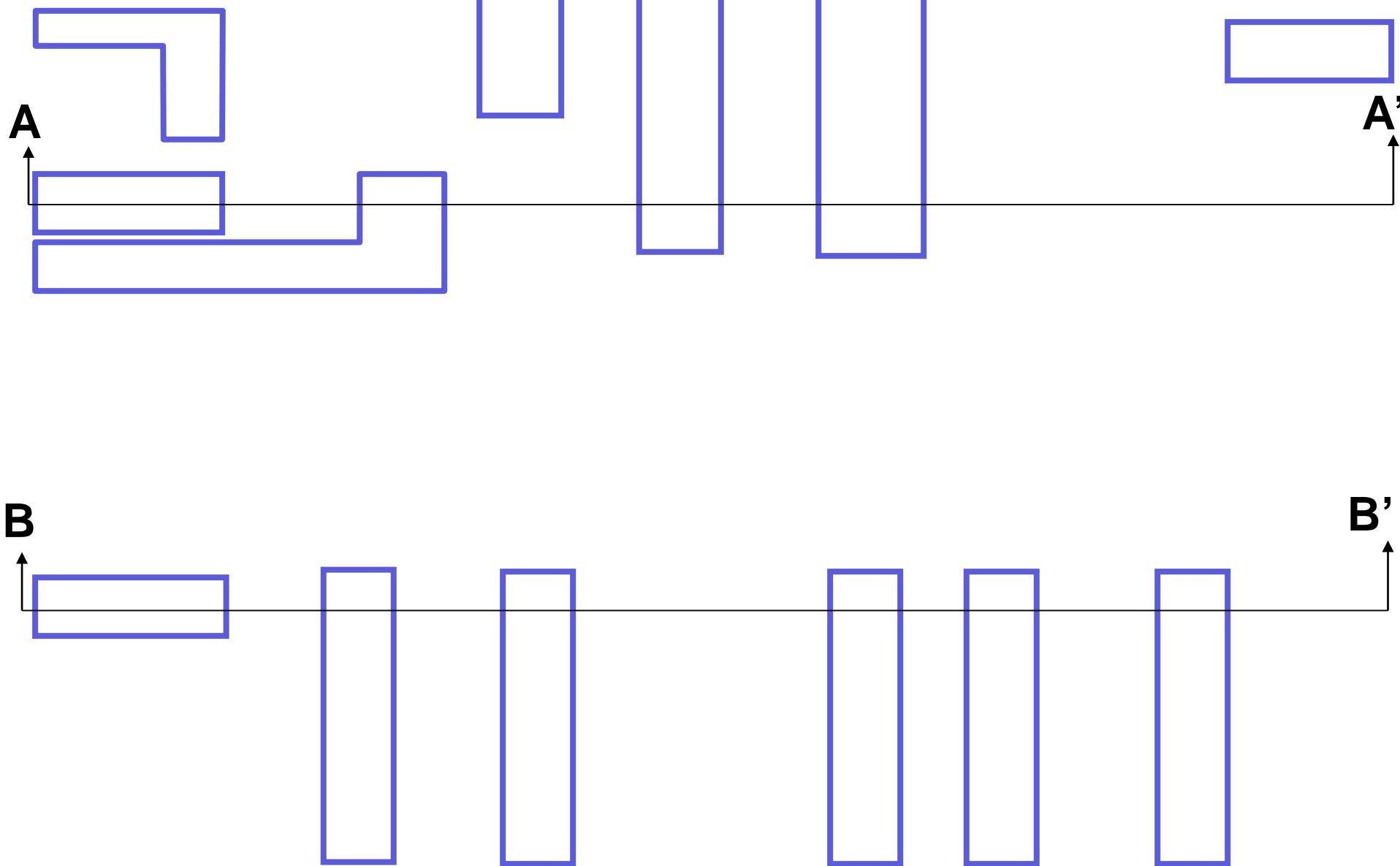


Notes:

- passivation opening for contacts not shown
- isolation diffusion intentionally not shown to scale

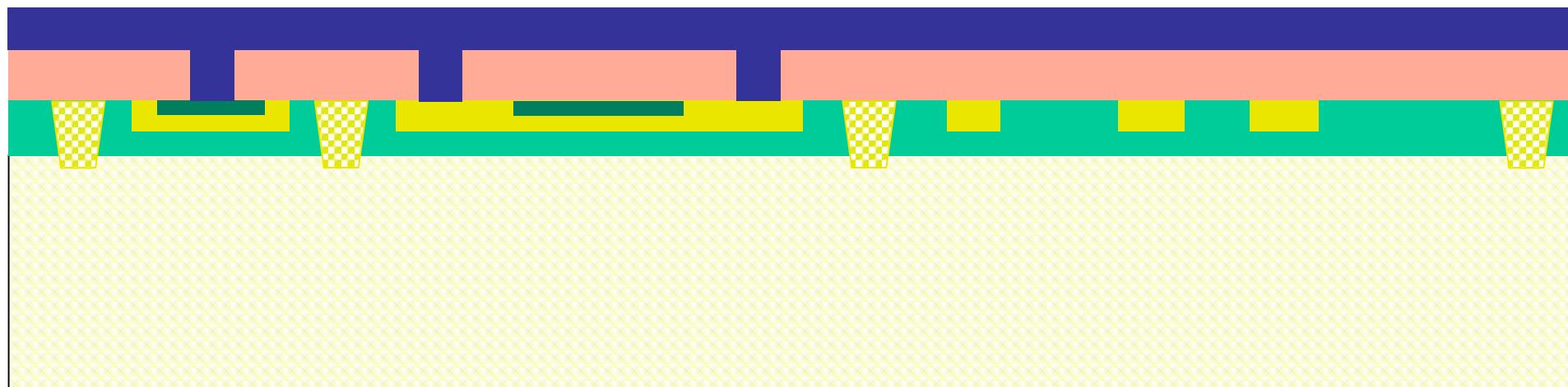


Mask 6: metal

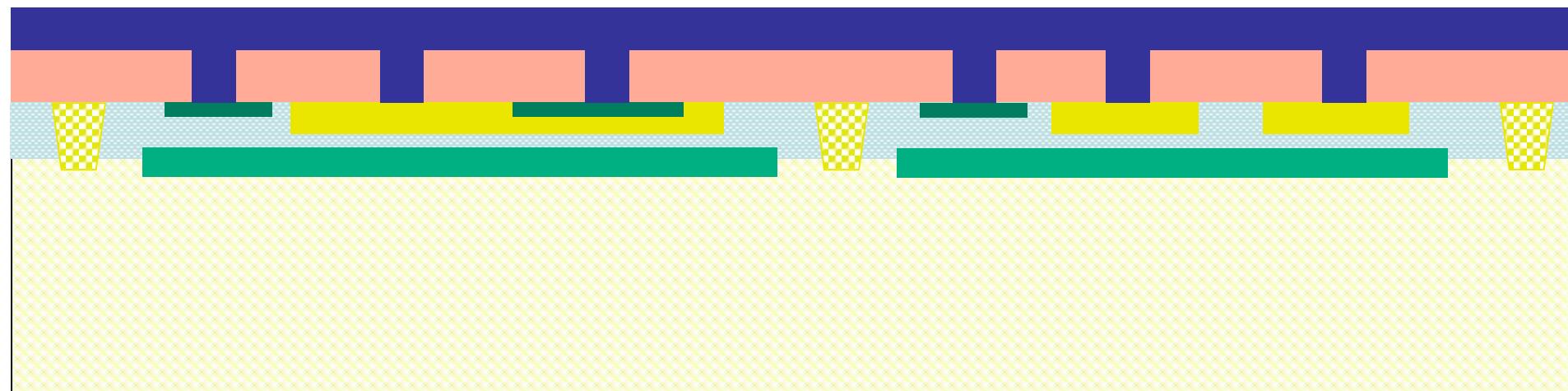


# Metalization

- Photoresist present but not shown

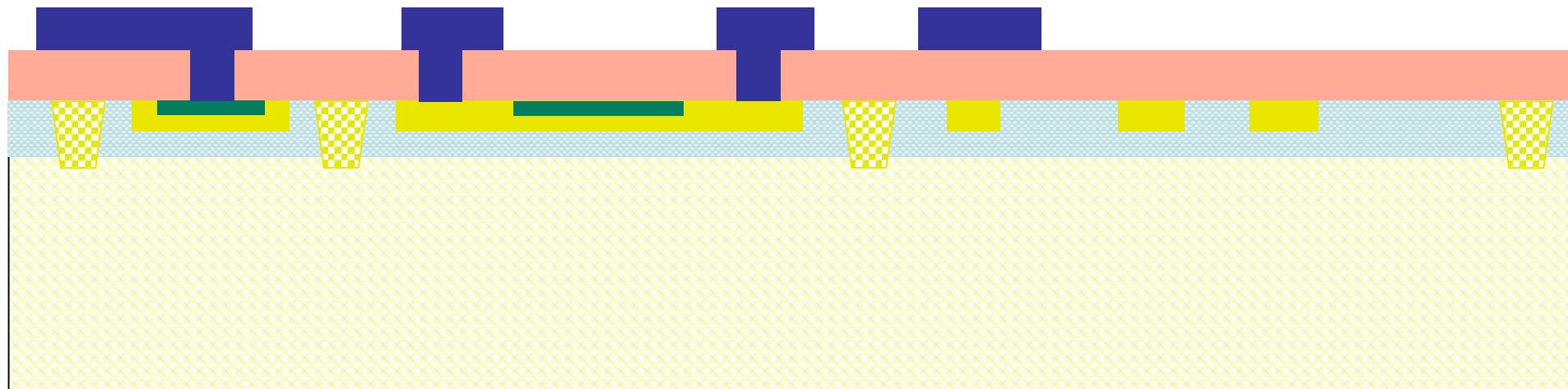


**A-A' Section**

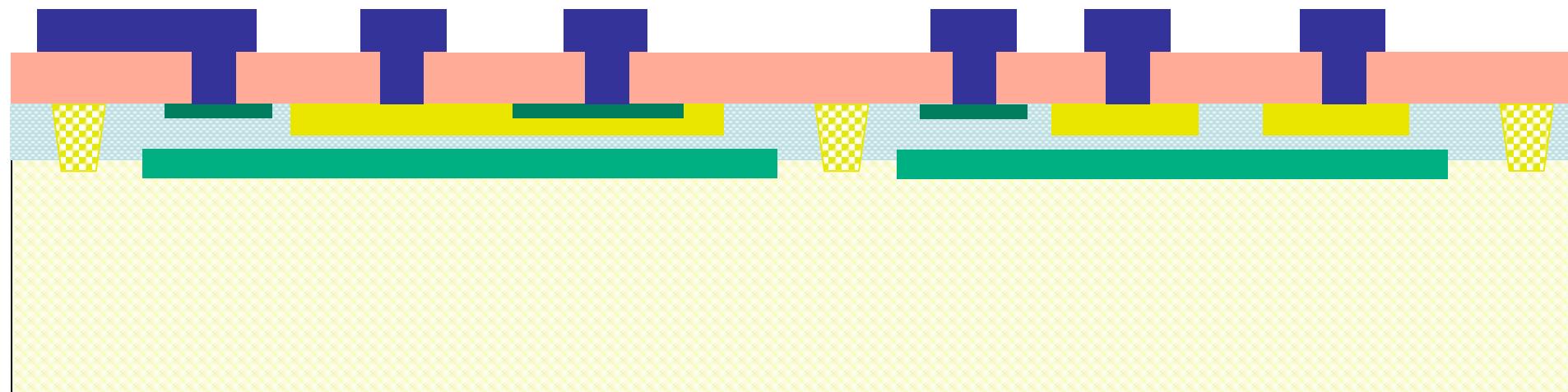


**B-B' Section**

# **Pattern Metal**



**A-A' Section**



**B-B' Section**

# Metalization

A



A'

B



B'

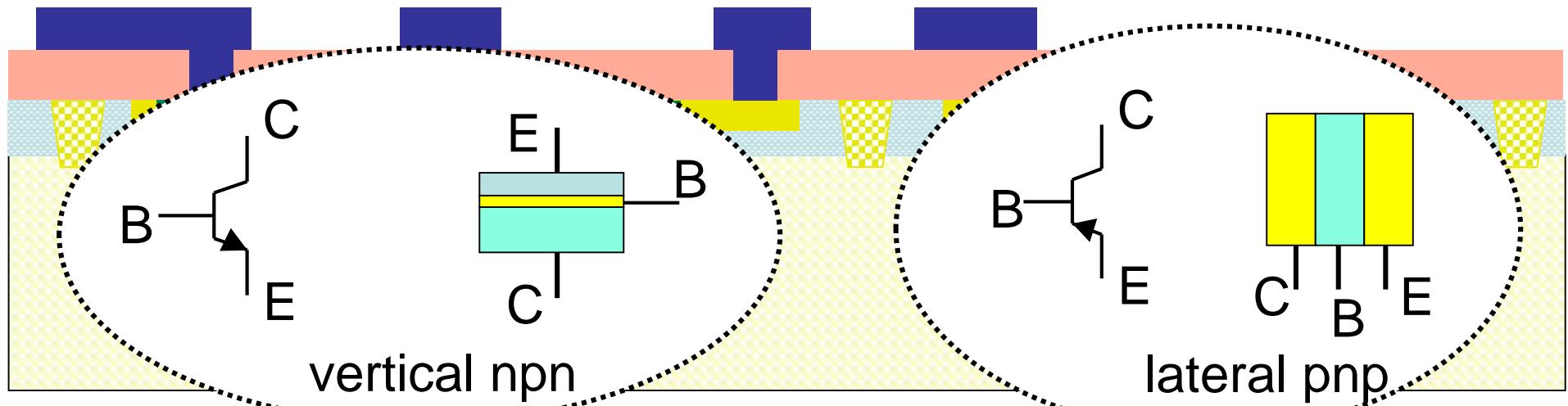
# **Pattern Metal**

**A**

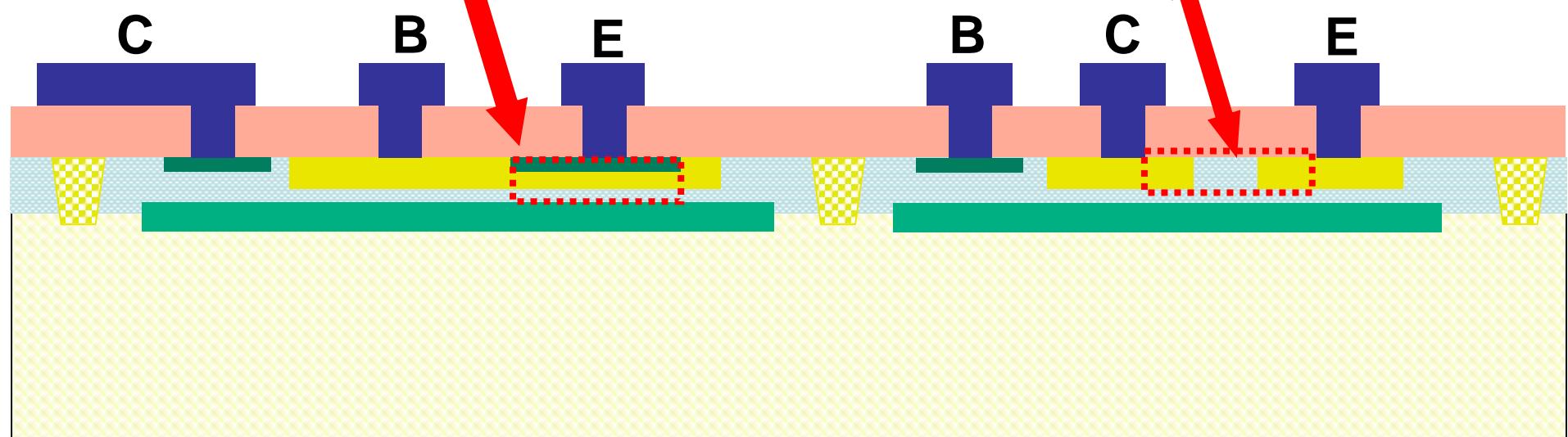
**B**

**A'**

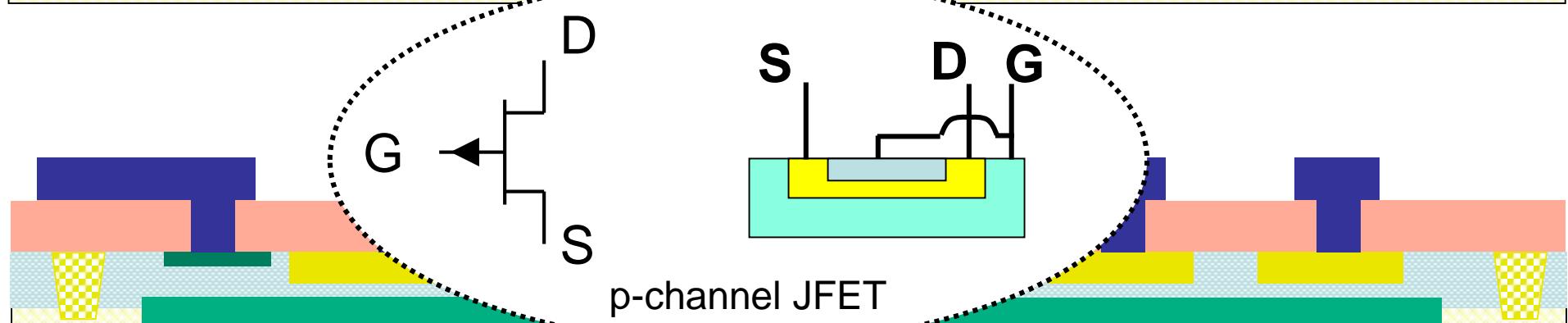
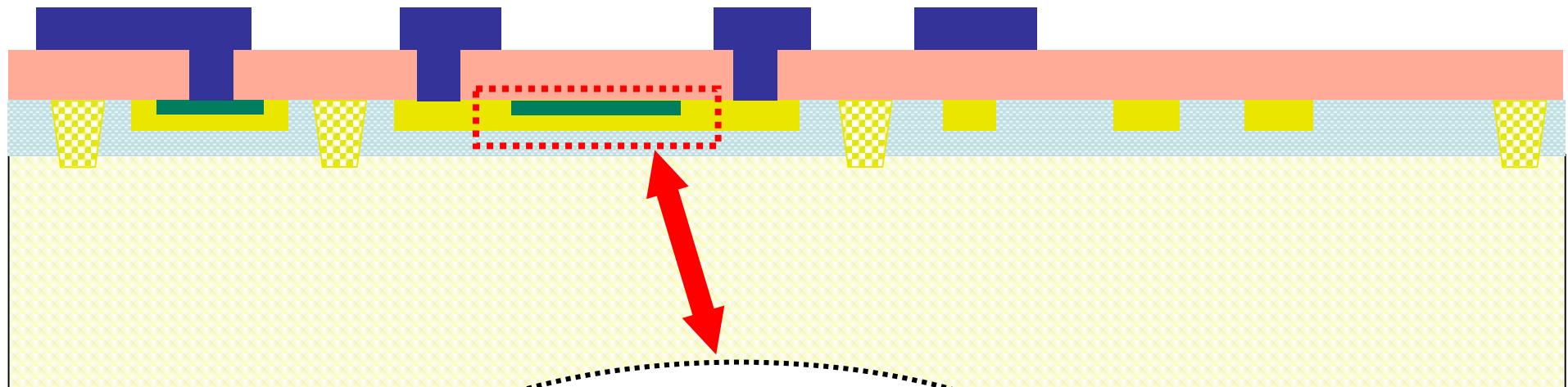
**B'**



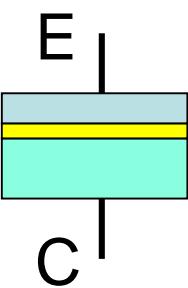
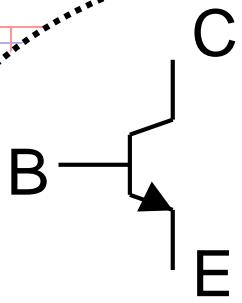
**A-A' Section**



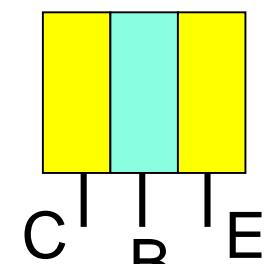
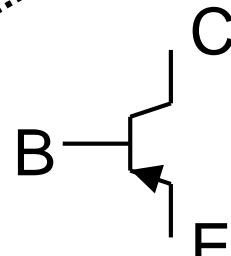
**B-B' Section**



**B-B' Section**



vertical npn



lateral pnp

C

B

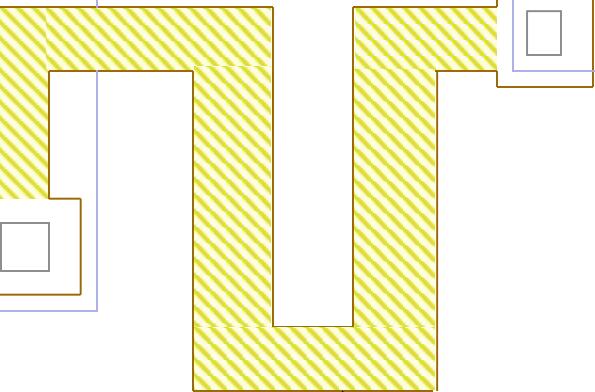
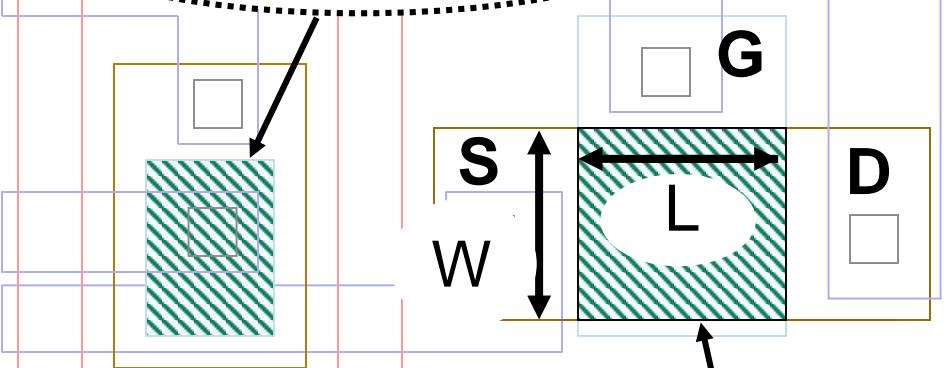
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E

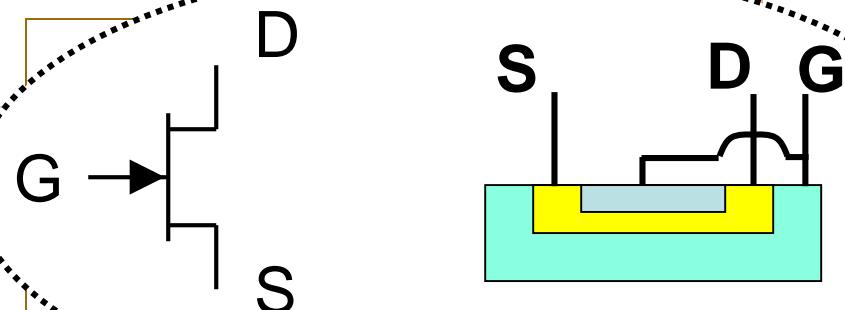
C

B

Diode (capacitor)



Resistor



n-channel JFET

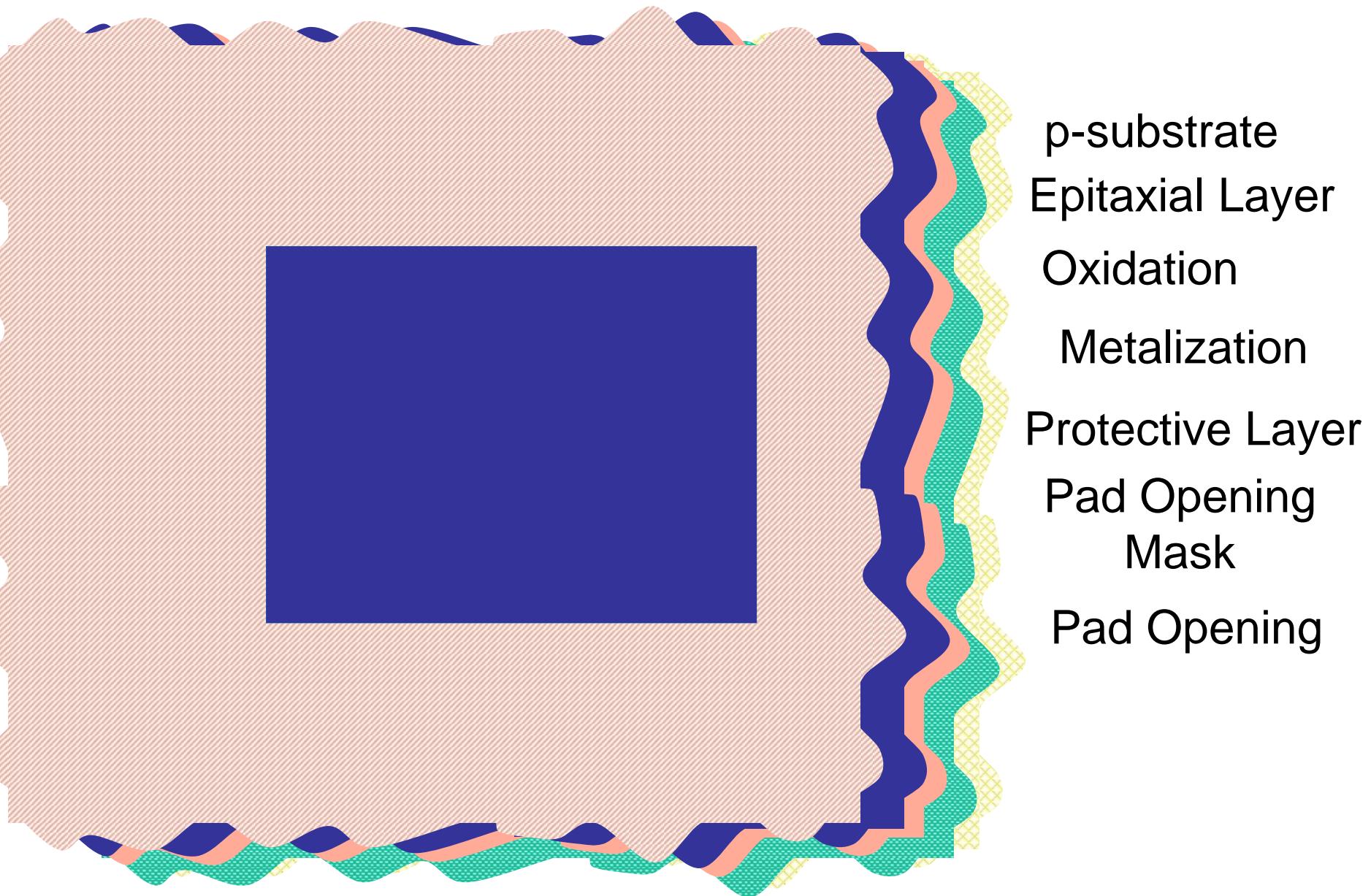
# Mask Numbering and Mappings

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<b>Mask 3</b>		p-base diffusion
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<b>Mask 5</b>		contact
<b>Mask 6</b>		metal
 <b>Mask 7</b>		passivation opening

Notes:

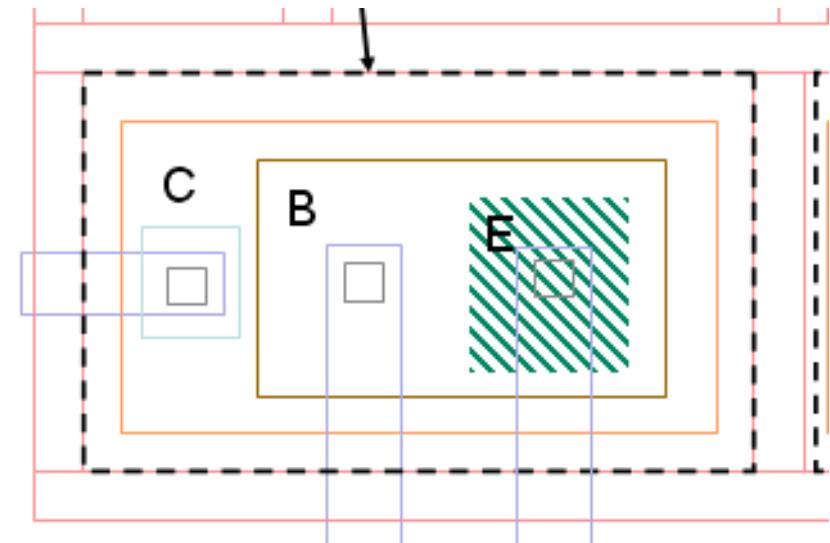
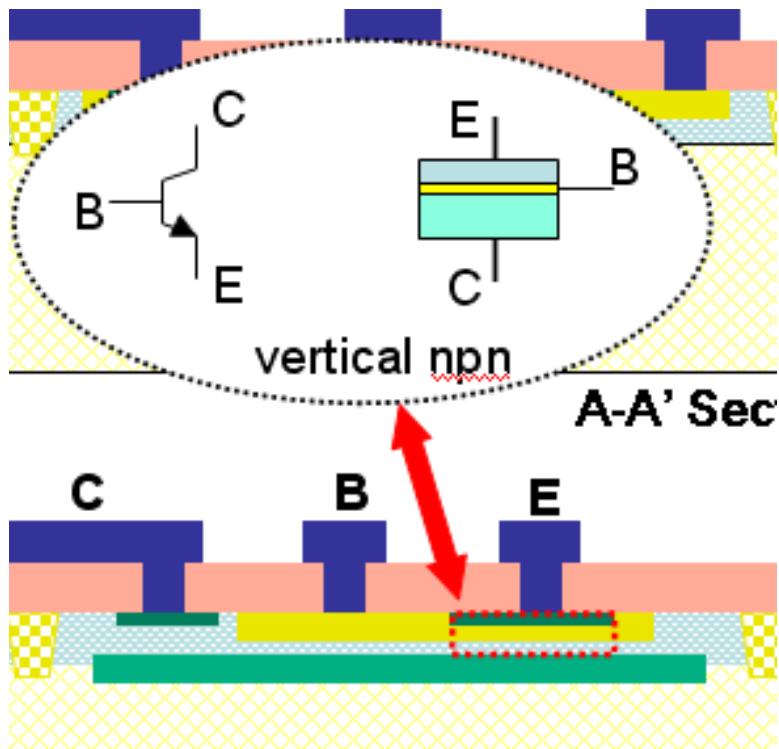
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# Pad and Pad Opening



p-substrate  
Epitaxial Layer  
Oxidation  
Metalization  
Protective Layer  
Pad Opening Mask  
Pad Opening

# The vertical npn transistor



- Emitter area only geometric parameter that appears in basic device model
- Transistor much larger than emitter
- Multiple-emitter devices often used (TTL Logic) and don't significantly increase area

# MOS and Bipolar Area Comparisons

How does the area required to realize a MOSFET compare to that required to realize a BJT?

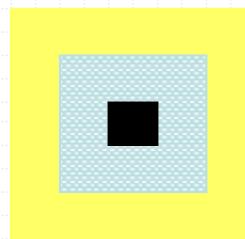
**Will consider a minimum-sized device in both processes**

**TABLE 2C.2**  
**Design rules for a typical bipolar process ( $\lambda = 2.5 \mu$ )**  
**(See Table 2C.3 in color plates for graphical interpretation)**

	Dimension
1. n <sup>+</sup> buried collector diffusion (Yellow, Mask #1)	
1.1 Width	$3\lambda$
1.2 Overlap of p-base diffusion (for vertical npn)	$2\lambda$
1.3 Overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (for collector contact of vertical npn)	$2\lambda$
1.4 Overlap of p-base diffusion (for collector and emitter of lateral pnp)	$2\lambda$
1.5 Overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (for base contact of lateral pnp)	$2\lambda$
2. Isolation diffusion (Orange, Mask #2)	
2.1 Width	$4\lambda$
2.2 Spacing	$24\lambda$
2.3 Distance to n <sup>+</sup> buried collector	$14\lambda$
3. p-base diffusion (Brown, Mask #3)	
3.1 Width	$3\lambda$
3.2 Spacing	$5\lambda$
3.3 Distance to isolation diffusion	$14\lambda$
3.4 Width (resistor)	$3\lambda$
3.5 Spacing (as resistor)	$3\lambda$
4. n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (Green, Mask #4)	
4.1 Width	$3\lambda$
4.2 Spacing	$3\lambda$
4.3 p-base diffusion overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (emitter in base)	$2\lambda$
4.4 Spacing to isolation diffusion (for collector contact)	$12\lambda$
4.5 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for base contact of lateral pnp)	$6\lambda$
4.6 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for collector contact of vertical npn)	$6\lambda$

5.	Contact (Black, Mask #5)	
5.1	Size (exactly)	$4\lambda \times 4\lambda$
5.2	Spacing	$2\lambda$
5.3	Metal overlap of contact	$\lambda$
5.4	$n^+$ emitter diffusion overlap of contact	$2\lambda$
5.5	p-base diffusion overlap of contact	$2\lambda$
5.6	p-base to $n^+$ emitter	$3\lambda$
5.7	Spacing to isolation diffusion	$4\lambda$
6.	Metalization (Blue, Mask #6)	
6.1	Width	$2\lambda$
6.2	Spacing	$2\lambda$
6.3	Bonding pad size	$100 \mu \times 100 \mu$
6.4	Probe pad size	$75 \mu \times 75 \mu$
6.5	Bonding pad separation	$50 \mu$
6.6	Bonding to probe pad	$30 \mu$
6.7	Probe pad separation	$30 \mu$
6.8	Pad to circuitry	$40 \mu$
6.9	Maximum current density	$0.8 \text{ mA}/\mu \text{ width}$
7.	Passivation (Purple, Mask #7)	
7.1	Minimum bonding pad opening	$90 \mu \times 90 \mu$
7.2	Minimum probe pad opening	$65 \mu \times 65 \mu$

Consider Initially the Emitter in the BJT  
surrounded by a base region

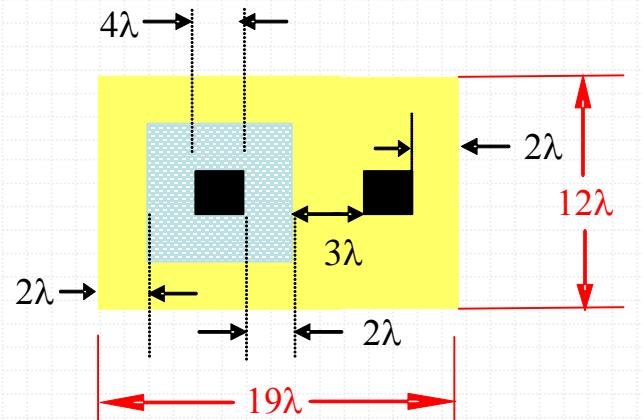


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1. n <sup>+</sup> buried collector diffusion (Yellow, Mask #1)	
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1.3 Overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (for collector contact of vertical npn)	$2\lambda$
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2. Isolation diffusion (Orange, Mask #2)	
2.1 Width	$4\lambda$
2.2 Spacing	$24\lambda$
2.3 Distance to n <sup>+</sup> buried collector	$14\lambda$
3. p-base diffusion (Brown, Mask #3)	
3.1 Width	$3\lambda$
3.2 Spacing	$5\lambda$
3.3 Distance to isolation diffusion	$14\lambda$
3.4 Width (resistor)	$3\lambda$
3.5 Spacing (as resistor)	$3\lambda$
4. n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (Green, Mask #4)	
4.1 Width	$3\lambda$
4.2 Spacing	$3\lambda$
4.3 p-base diffusion overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (emitter in base)	$2\lambda$
4.4 Spacing to isolation diffusion (for collector contact)	$12\lambda$
4.5 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for base contact of lateral pnp)	$6\lambda$
4.6 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for collector contact of vertical npn)	$6\lambda$

5. Contact (Black, Mask #5)	$4\lambda \times 4\lambda$
5.1 Size (exactly)	$2\lambda$
5.2 Spacing	$\lambda$
5.3 Metal overlap of contact	$2\lambda$
5.4 $n^+$ emitter diffusion overlap of contact	$2\lambda$
5.5 p-base diffusion overlap of contact	$3\lambda$
5.6 p-base to $n^+$ emitter	$4\lambda$
5.7 Spacing to isolation diffusion	
6. Metallization (Blue, Mask #6)	
6.1 Width	$2\lambda$
6.2 Spacing	$2\lambda$
6.3 Bonding pad size	$100 \mu \times 100 \mu$
6.4 Probe pad size	$75 \mu \times 75 \mu$
6.5 Bonding pad separation	$50 \mu$
6.6 Bonding to probe pad	$30 \mu$
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7. Passivation (Purple, Mask #7)	
7.1 Minimum bonding pad opening	$90 \mu \times 90 \mu$
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From design rules (left to right) 4.3, 5.1, 5.4, 5.6, 5.5



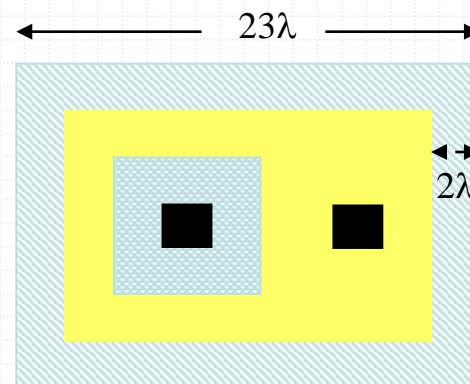
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1.1 Width	$3\lambda$
1.2 Overlap of p-base diffusion (for vertical npn)	$2\lambda$
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2.1 Width	$4\lambda$
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3. p-base diffusion (Brown, Mask #3)	
3.1 Width	$3\lambda$
3.2 Spacing	$5\lambda$
3.3 Distance to isolation diffusion	$14\lambda$
3.4 Width (resistor)	$3\lambda$
3.5 Spacing (as resistor)	$3\lambda$
4. n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (Green, Mask #4)	
4.1 Width	$3\lambda$
4.2 Spacing	$3\lambda$
4.3 p-base diffusion overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (emitter in base)	$2\lambda$
4.4 Spacing to isolation diffusion (for collector contact)	$12\lambda$
4.5 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for base contact of lateral pnp)	$6\lambda$
4.6 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for collector contact of vertical npn)	$6\lambda$

1 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 65 70 75

Add n+ buried for collector

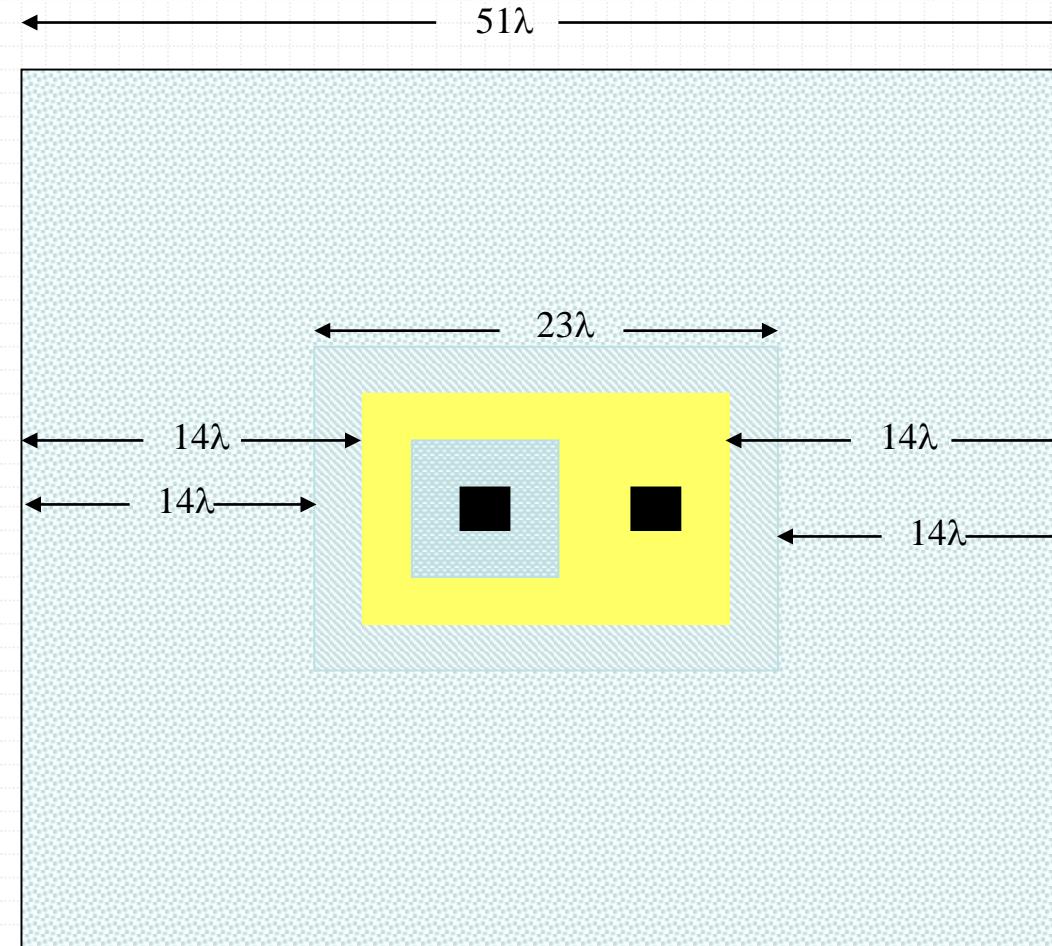
From design rule 1.2



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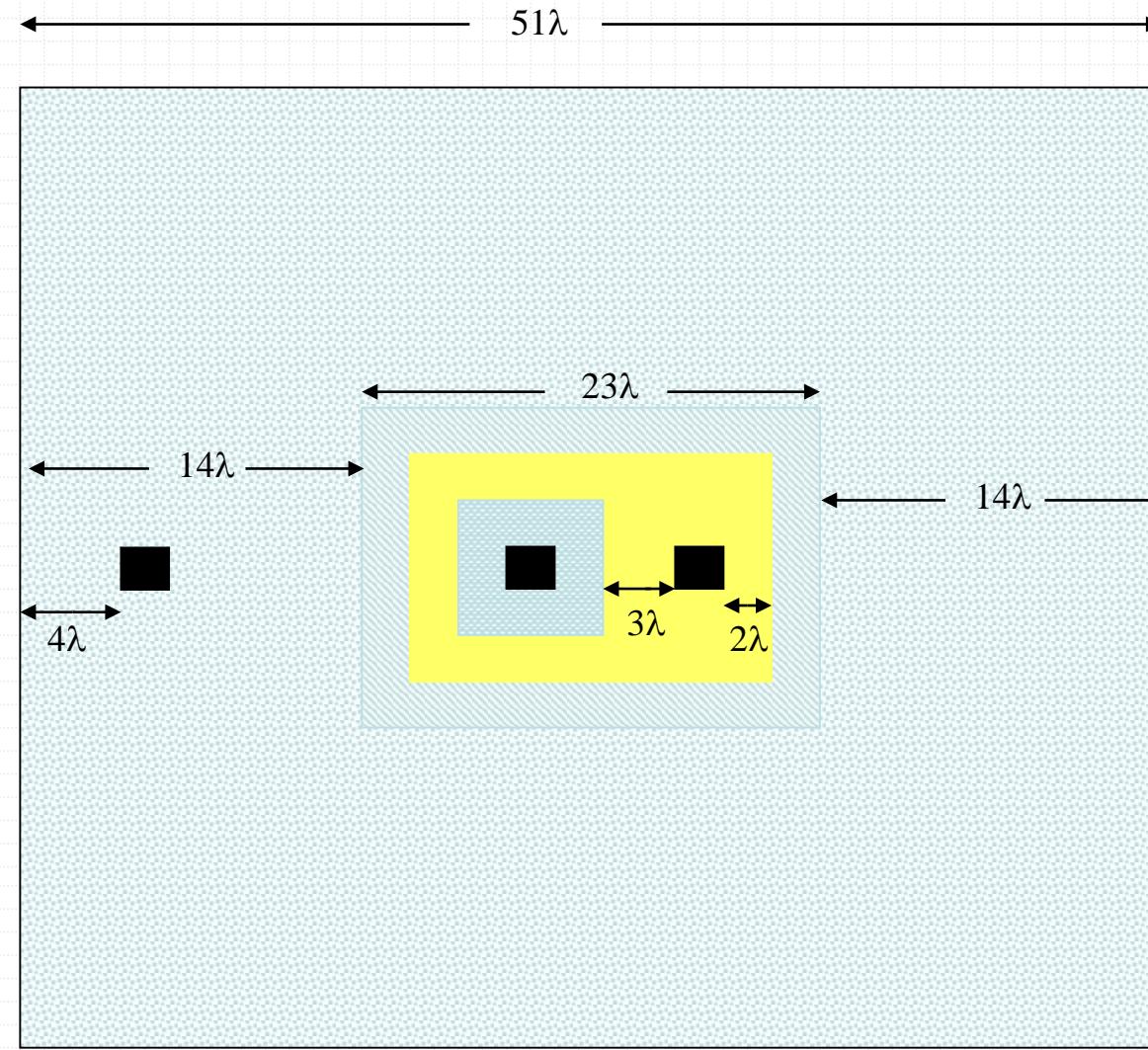
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1.1 Width	$3\lambda$
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2. Isolation diffusion (Orange, Mask #2)	
2.1 Width	$4\lambda$
2.2 Spacing	$24\lambda$
2.3 Distance to n <sup>+</sup> buried collector	$14\lambda$
3. p-base diffusion (Brown, Mask #3)	
3.1 Width	$3\lambda$
3.2 Spacing	$5\lambda$
3.3 Distance to isolation diffusion	$14\lambda$
3.4 Width (resistor)	$3\lambda$
3.5 Spacing (as resistor)	$3\lambda$
4. n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (Green, Mask #4)	
4.1 Width	$3\lambda$
4.2 Spacing	$3\lambda$
4.3 p-base diffusion overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (emitter in base)	$2\lambda$
4.4 Spacing to isolation diffusion (for collector contact)	$12\lambda$
4.5 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for base contact of lateral pnp)	$6\lambda$
4.6 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for collector contact of vertical npn)	$6\lambda$

Add n-epi region  
from design rules 2.3 and 3.3



5.	Contact (Black, Mask #5)	
5.1	Size (exactly)	$4\lambda \times 4\lambda$
5.2	Spacing	$2\lambda$
5.3	Metal overlap of contact	$\lambda$
5.4	$n^+$ emitter diffusion overlap of contact	$2\lambda$
5.5	p-base diffusion overlap of contact	$2\lambda$
5.6	p-base to $n^+$ emitter	$3\lambda$
5.7	Spacing to isolation diffusion	$4\lambda$
6.	Metalization (Blue, Mask #6)	
6.1	Width	$2\lambda$
6.2	Spacing	$2\lambda$
6.3	Bonding pad size	$100 \mu \times 100 \mu$
6.4	Probe pad size	$75 \mu \times 75 \mu$
6.5	Bonding pad separation	$50 \mu$
6.6	Bonding to probe pad	$30 \mu$
6.7	Probe pad separation	$30 \mu$
6.8	Pad to circuitry	$40 \mu$
6.9	Maximum current density	$0.8 \text{ mA}/\mu \text{ width}$
7.	Passivation (Purple, Mask #7)	
7.1	Minimum bonding pad opening	$90 \mu \times 90 \mu$
7.2	Minimum probe pad opening	$65 \mu \times 65 \mu$

Add contact to n-epi region  
from design rules 2.3 and 3.3



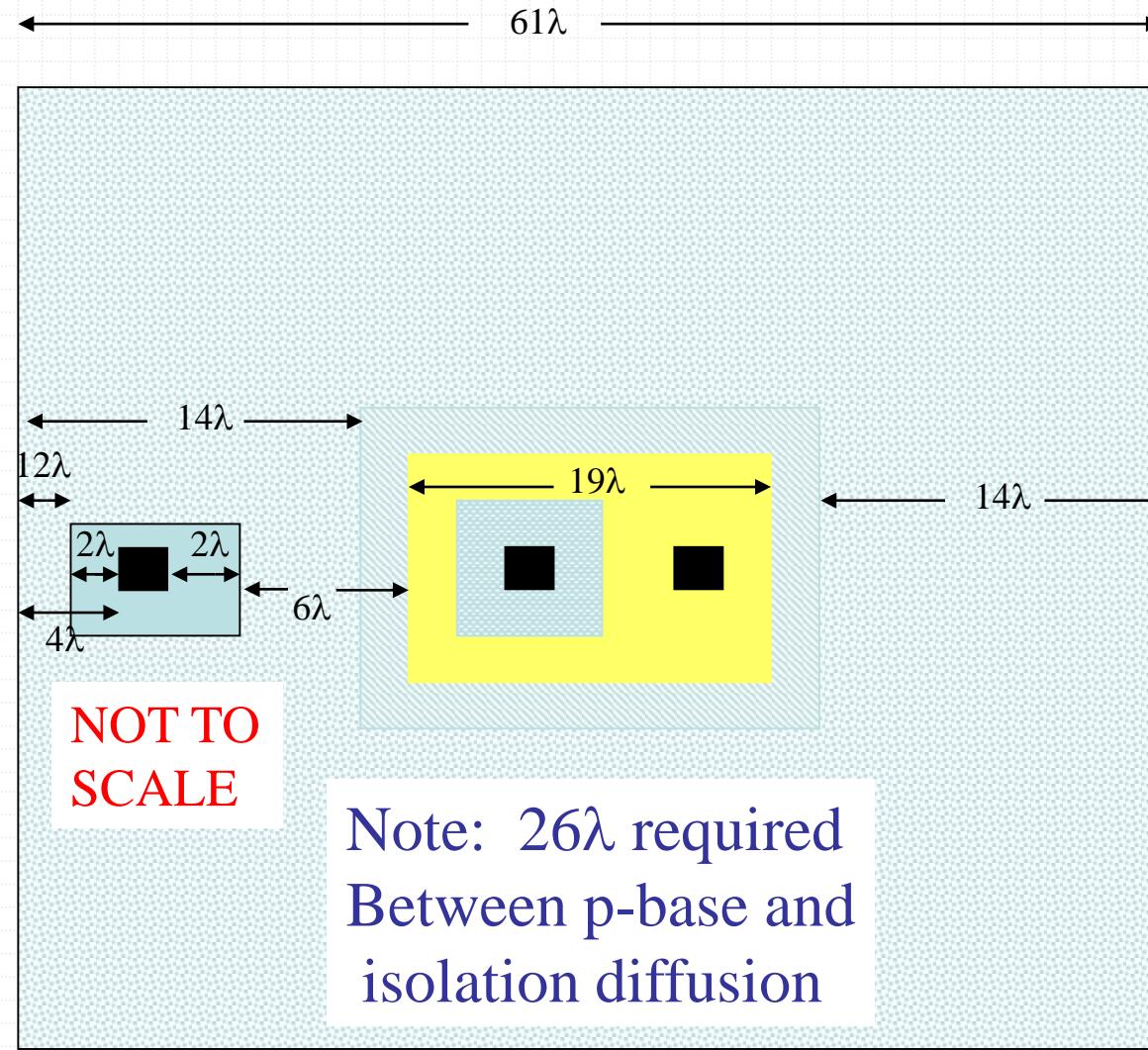
**TABLE 2C.2**  
**Design rules for a typical bipolar process ( $\lambda = 2.5 \mu$ )**  
**(See Table 2C.3 in color plates for graphical interpretation)**

	Dimension
1. n <sup>+</sup> buried collector diffusion (Yellow, Mask #1)	
1.1 Width	$3\lambda$
1.2 Overlap of p-base diffusion (for vertical npn)	$2\lambda$
1.3 Overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (for collector contact of vertical npn)	$2\lambda$
1.4 Overlap of p-base diffusion (for collector and emitter of lateral pnp)	$2\lambda$
1.5 Overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (for base contact of lateral pnp)	$2\lambda$
2. Isolation diffusion (Orange, Mask #2)	
2.1 Width	$4\lambda$
2.2 Spacing	$24\lambda$
2.3 Distance to n <sup>+</sup> buried collector	$14\lambda$
3. p-base diffusion (Brown, Mask #3)	
3.1 Width	$3\lambda$
3.2 Spacing	$5\lambda$
3.3 Distance to isolation diffusion	$14\lambda$
3.4 Width (resistor)	$3\lambda$
3.5 Spacing (as resistor)	$3\lambda$
4. n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (Green, Mask #4)	
4.1 Width	$3\lambda$
4.2 Spacing	$3\lambda$
4.3 p-base diffusion overlap of n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion (emitter in base)	$2\lambda$
4.4 Spacing to isolation diffusion (for collector contact)	$12\lambda$
4.5 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for base contact of lateral pnp)	$6\lambda$
4.6 Spacing to p-base diffusion (for collector contact of vertical npn)	$6\lambda$

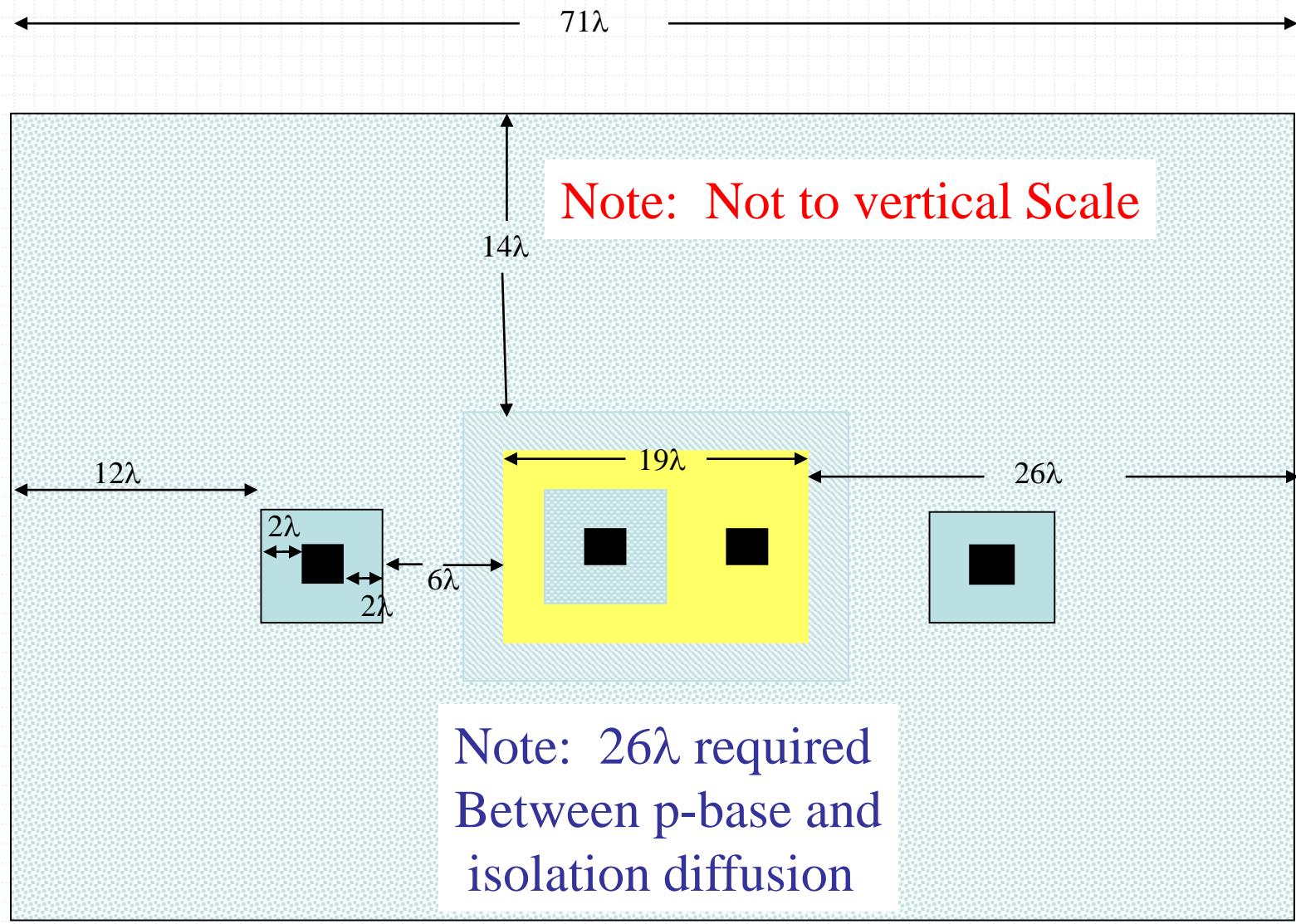
5. Contact (Black, Mask #5)	
5.1 Size (exactly)	$4\lambda \times 4\lambda$
5.2 Spacing	$2\lambda$
5.3 Metal overlap of contact	$\lambda$
5.4 n <sup>+</sup> emitter diffusion overlap of contact	$2\lambda$
5.5 p-base diffusion overlap of contact	$2\lambda$
5.6 p-base to n <sup>+</sup> emitter	$3\lambda$
5.7 Spacing to isolation diffusion	$4\lambda$
6. Metallization (Blue, Mask #6)	
6.1 Width	$2\lambda$
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6.3 Bonding pad size	$100 \mu \times 100 \mu$
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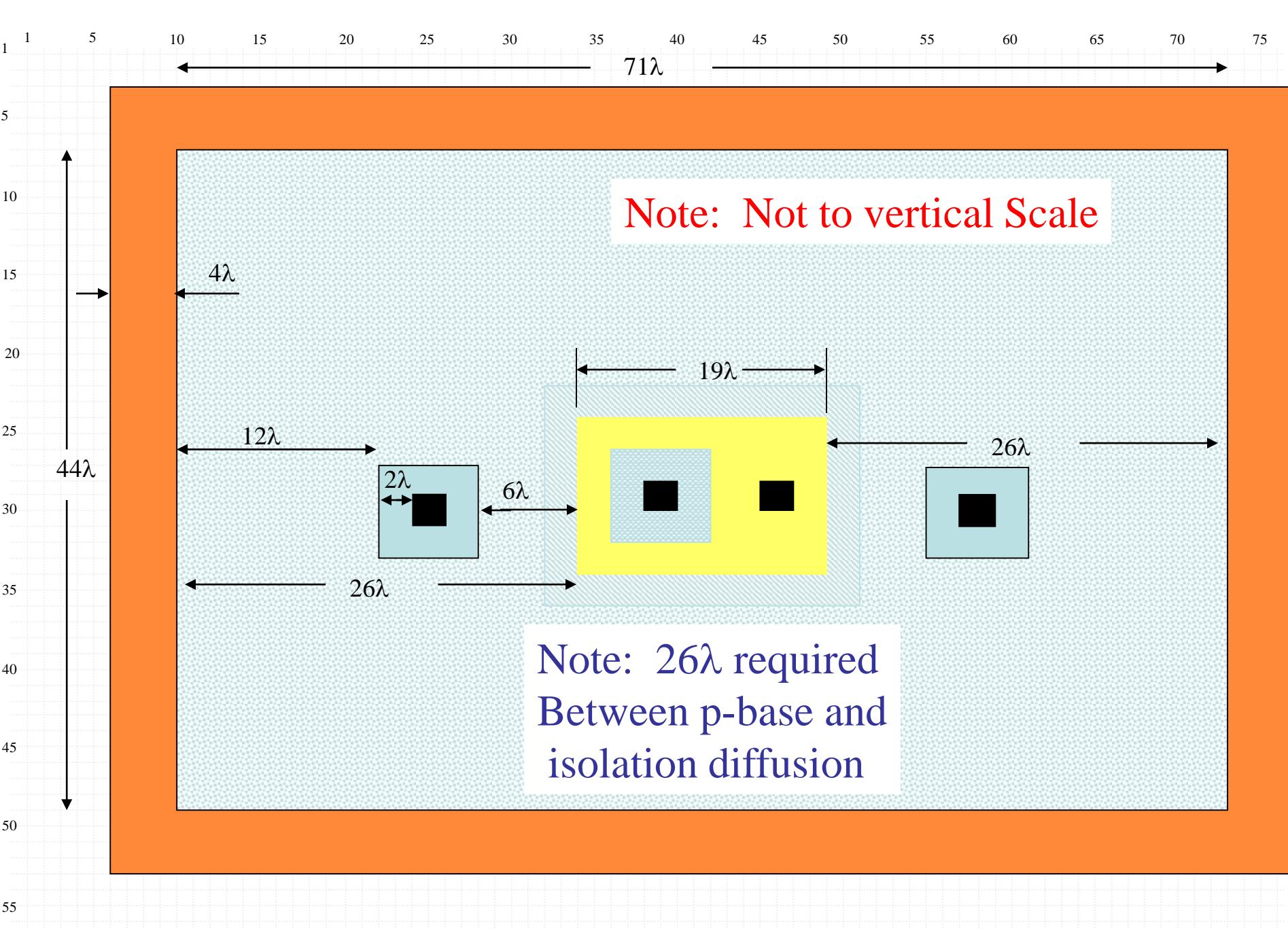
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But, there are some rather strict rules relating to the epi contact

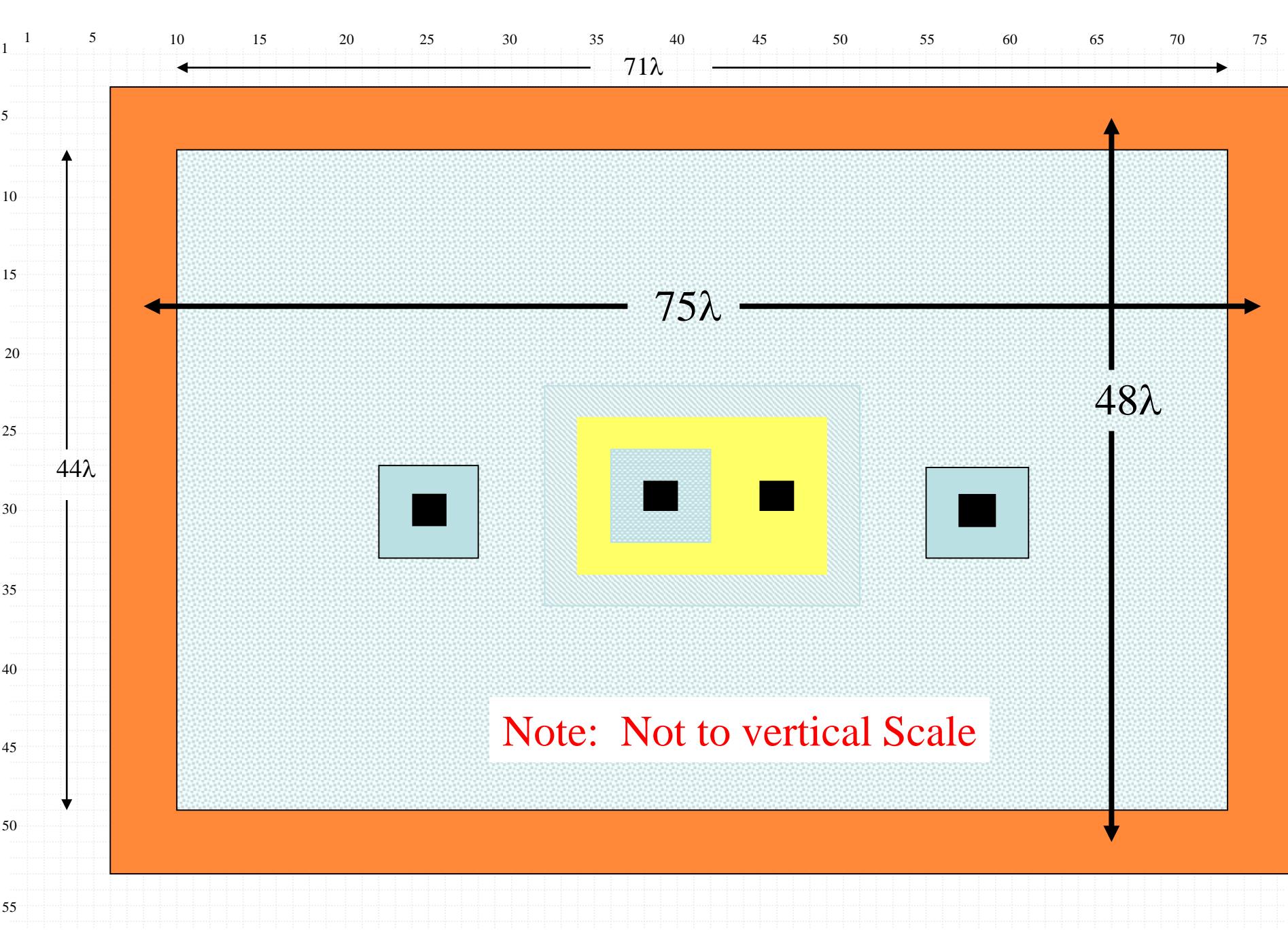
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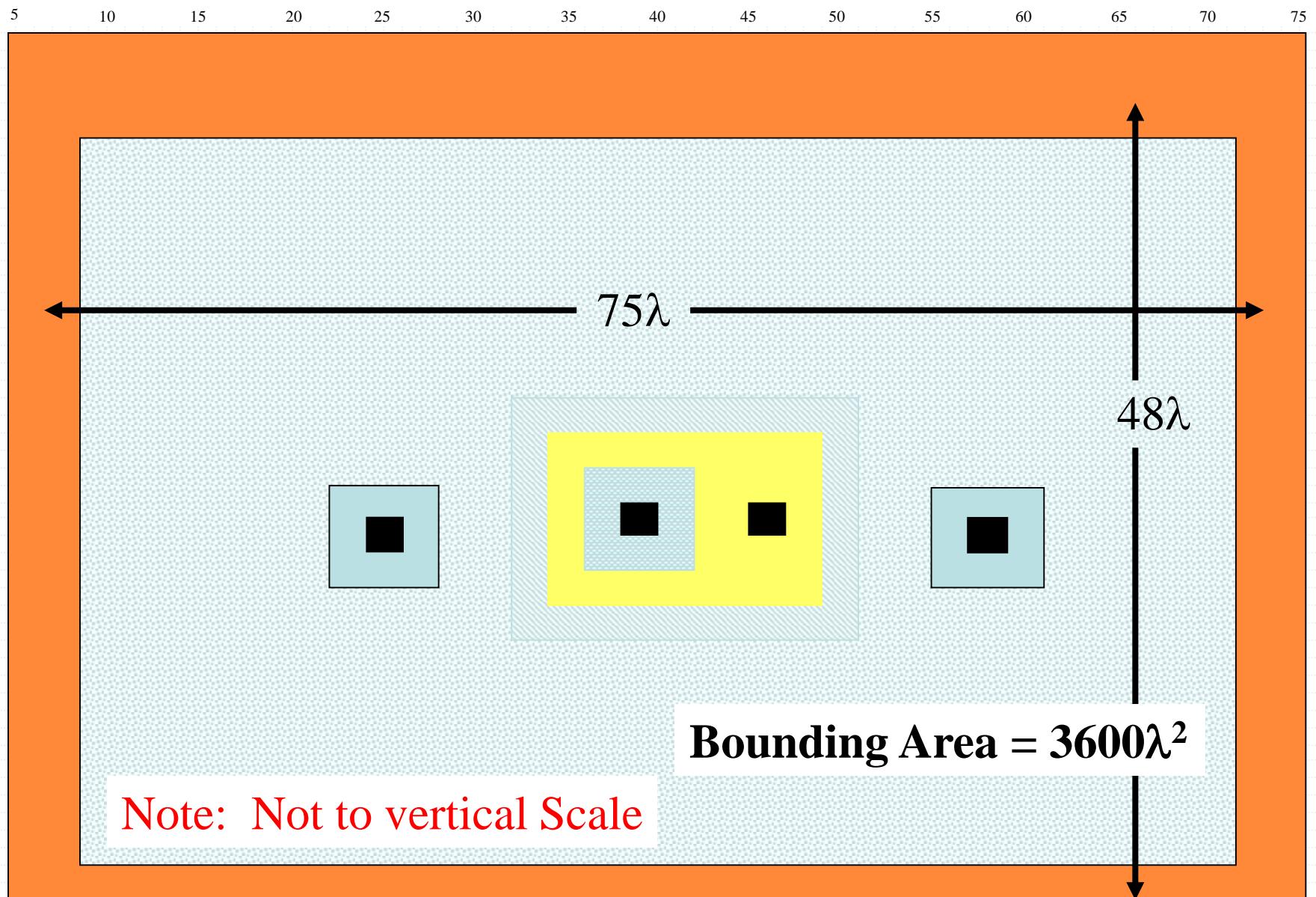


Consider a structure with a collector contact on both sides of epi



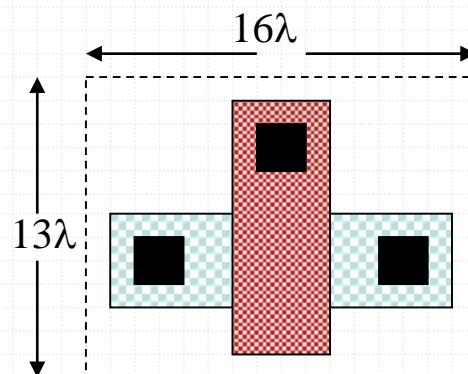






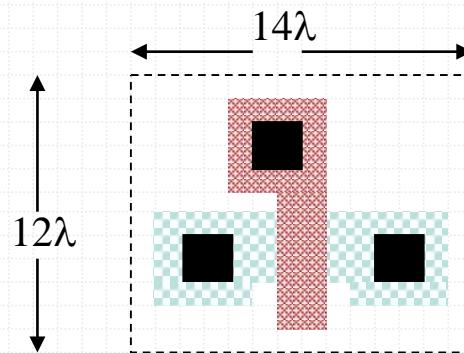
Major contributor to large size of BJT is the isolation diffusion which diffuses laterally a large distance beyond the drawn edges of the isolation mask

## Comparison with Area for n-channel MOSFET in Bulk CMOS

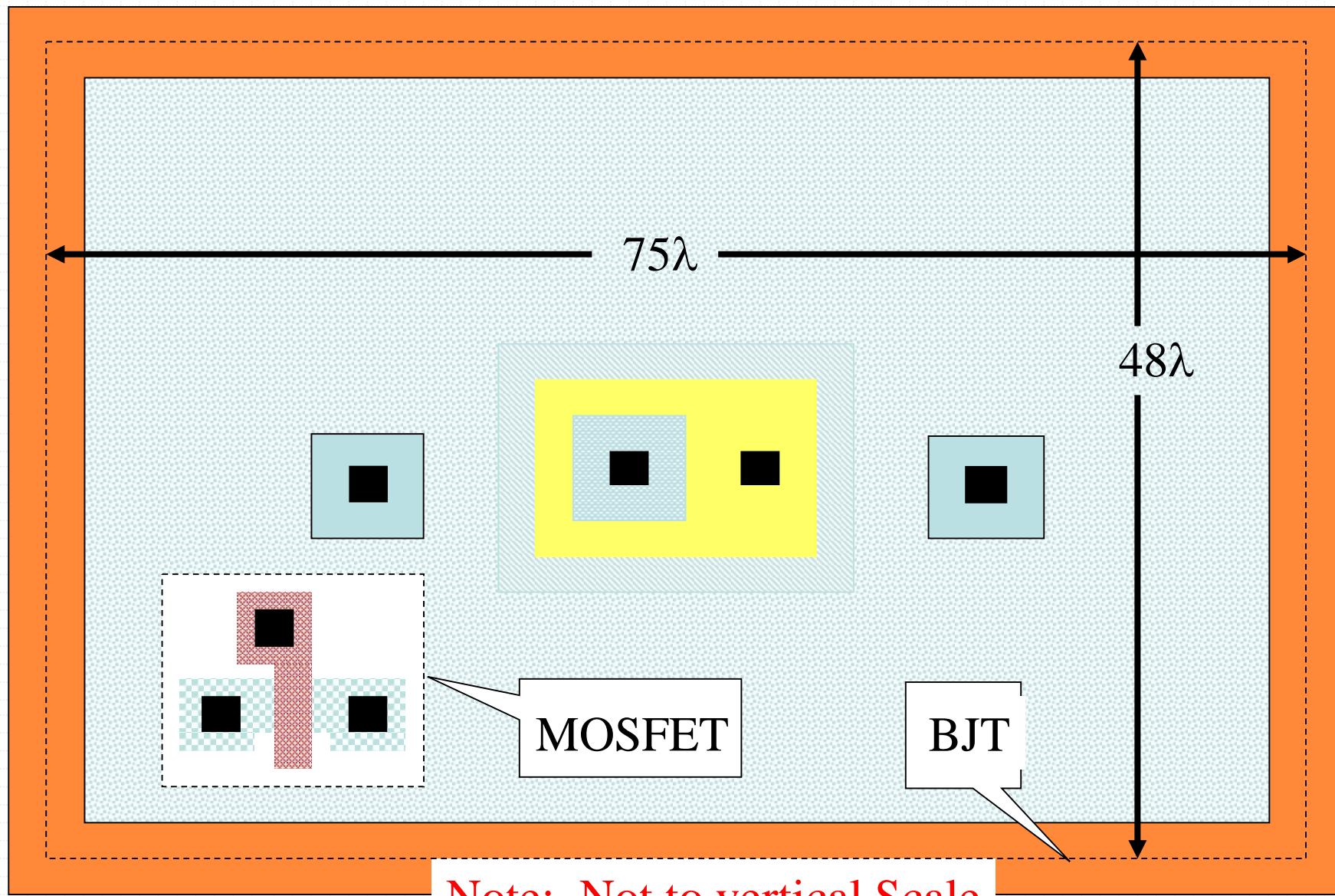


$$\text{Bounding Area} = 208\lambda^2$$

# Minimum-Sized MOSFET



Bounding Area =  $168\lambda^2$   
Active Area =  $6\lambda^2$



# Area Comparison between BJT and MOSFET

- BJT Area =  $3600 \lambda^2$
- n-channel MOSFET Area =  $168 \lambda^2$
- Area Ratio = 21:1

# **End of Lecture 20**