

平面顯示技術概論

# Introduction to OLED Devices and Displays



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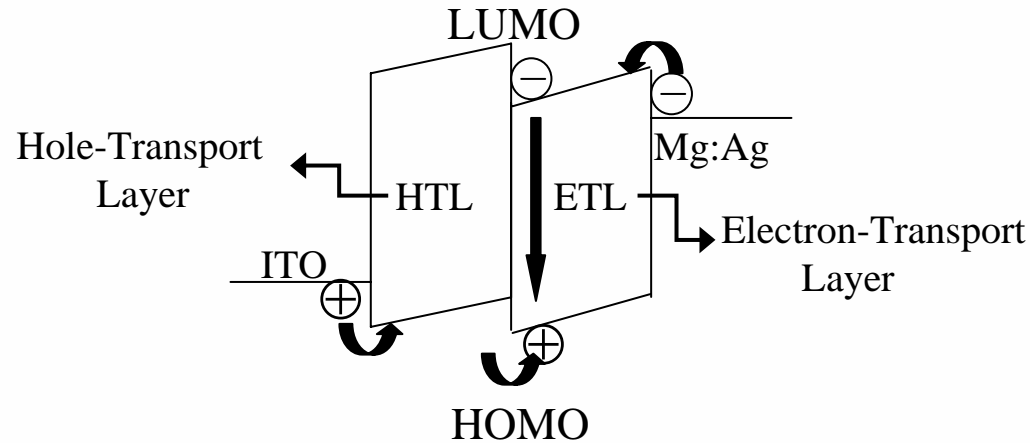
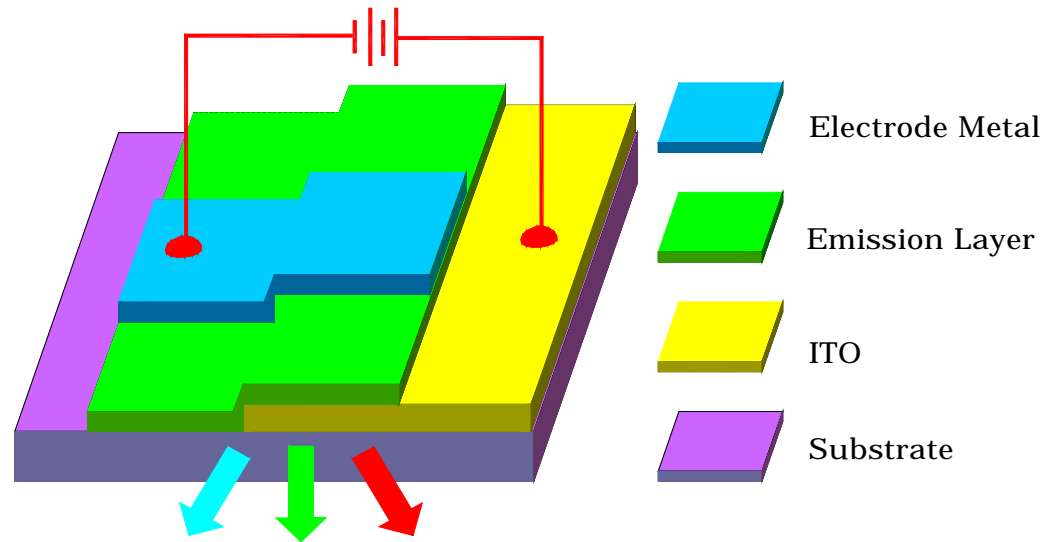
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# Outline

- Introduction
- OLED Device
- OLED Processing
- OLED Displays



# Organic Light-Emitting Diodes (OLEDs)

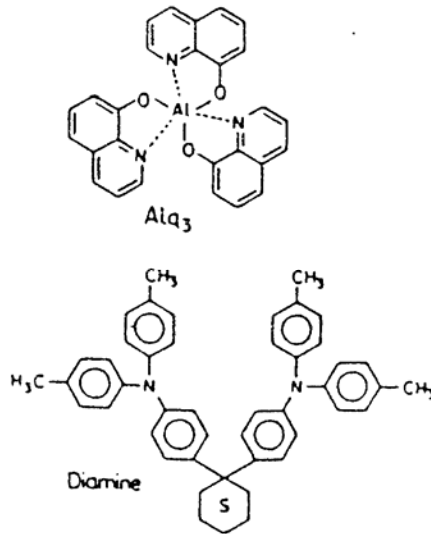
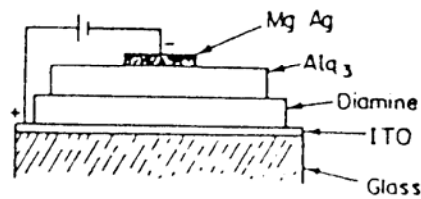


- Carrier injection, transport, recombination, emission



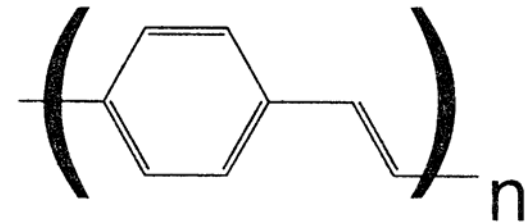
## Kodak, 1987

- vacuum evaporation
- small molecules



## Cambridge, 1990

- spin-coating
- polymer



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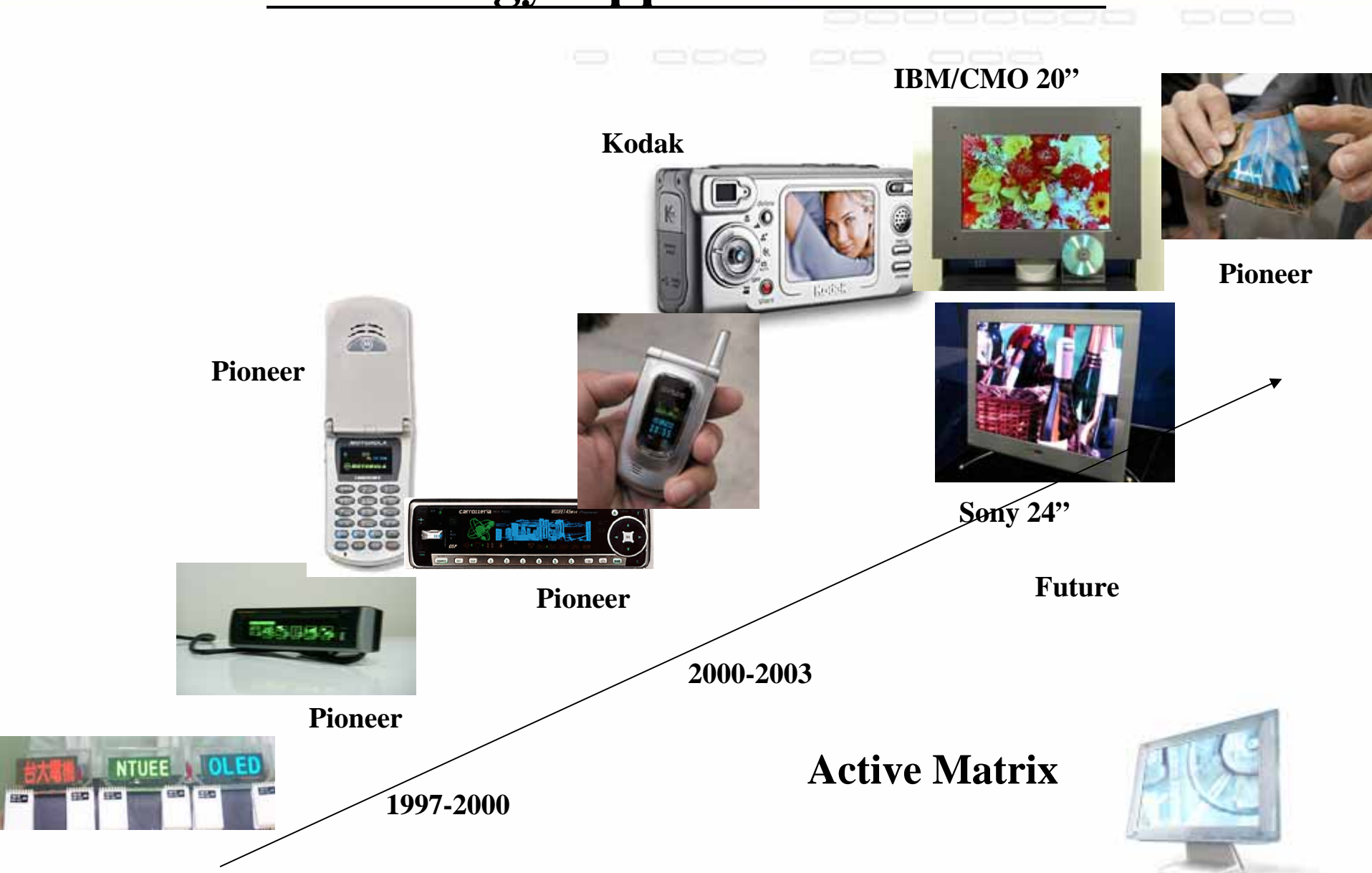


# Features of OLEDs for Displays

- Low-T process, versatile in substrates
- No epitaxy, large area
- Flexible
- Fast response time ( $< \mu\text{s}$ )
- Self-emissive (viewing angle not an issue)
- RGBW, full color available
- low voltage ( $< 10\text{V}$ )
- High brightness ( $> 100000 \text{ cd/m}^2$ )
- High efficiency (tens of  $\text{lm/W}$ )
- Less components



# Technology/Application Evolution



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Passive Matrix



1997-2000

Active Matrix



Pioneer



Pioneer

2000-2003



Pioneer



Kodak



IBM/CMO 20"



Pioneer



Sony 24"

Future



## Companies

台灣：

銖寶、光磊、悠景、東元激光、聯宗光電、勝園、翰立光電

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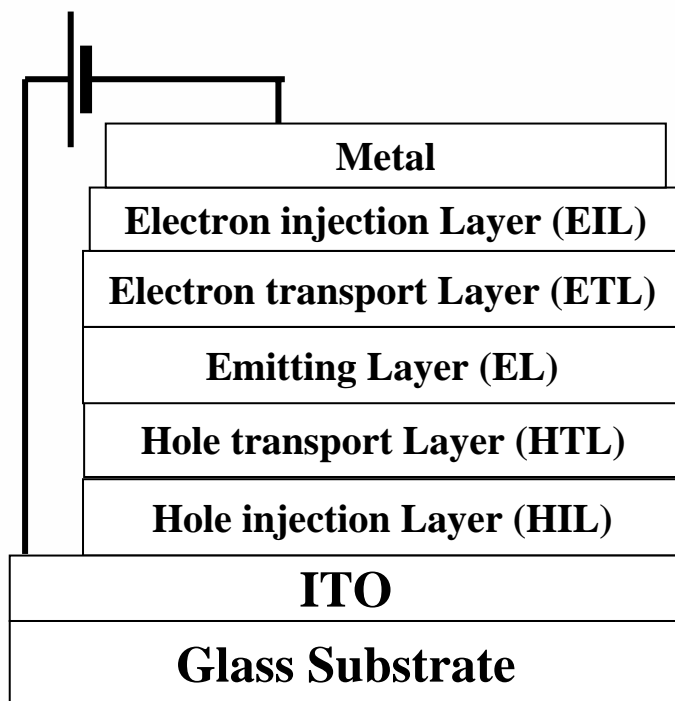
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國外：

Samsung、LG、Pioneer、Sony、Sanyo/Kodak、Toshiba、  
Seiko-Epson、NEC、Idemitsu、Philips、Osram、DuPont、  
Dow、UDC、CDT etc.



# State-of-Art Heterostructure OLEDs



## Host and Dopant

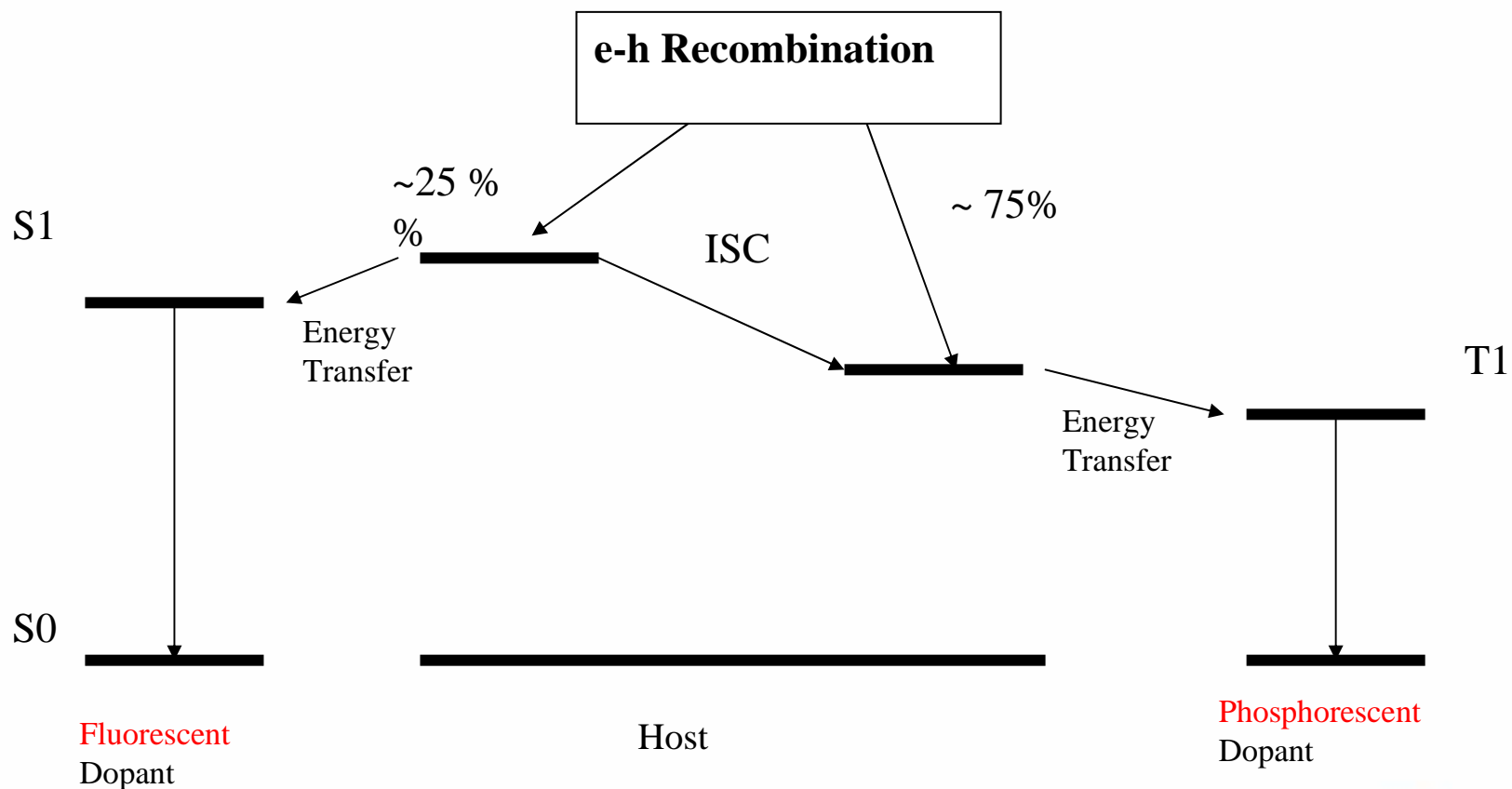
- Fluorescent  
(singlet emitter)
- Phosphorescent  
(triplet emitter)

- Deposition by multiple-source vacuum system  $< 10^{-6}$  torr
- Doping by co-deposition
- All in one pump-down





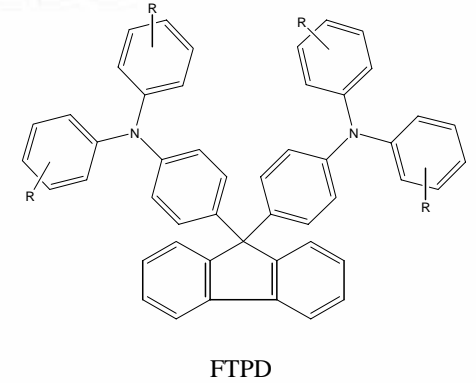
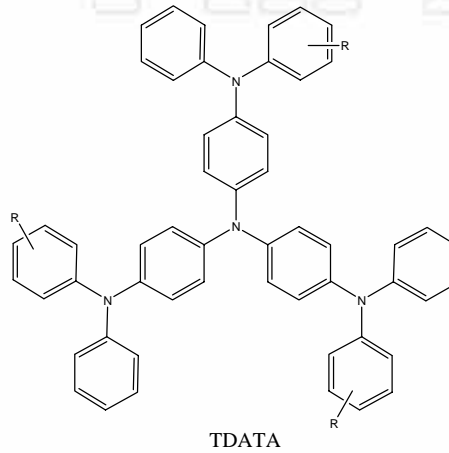
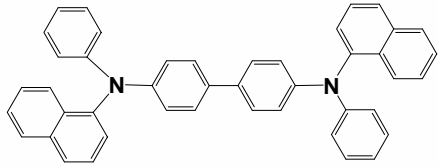
# Emissive Doping and Materials Systems



Emissive dopant: (i) to enhance emission efficiency, (ii) to tune color

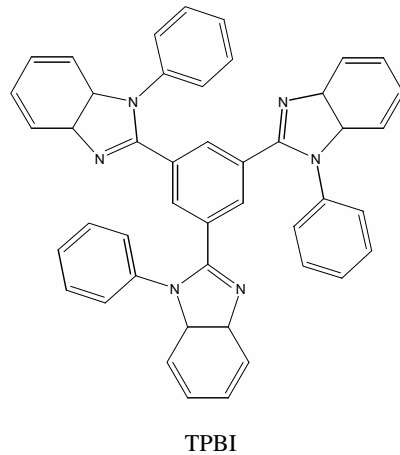
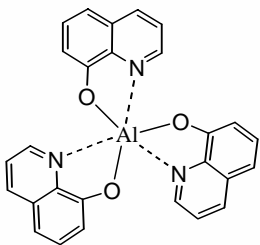


## Hole-Transport Materials

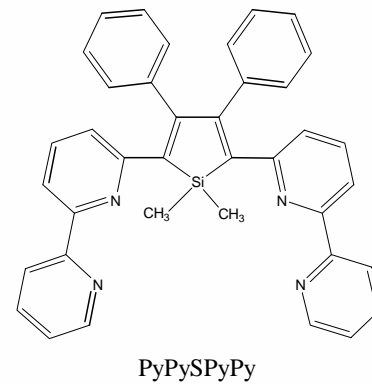


FTPD

## Electron-Transport Materials



TPBI

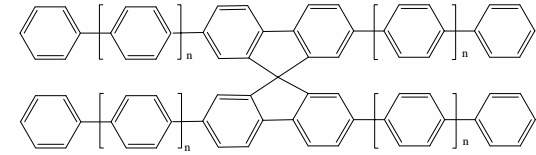
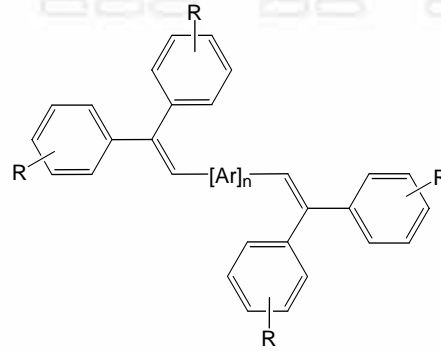
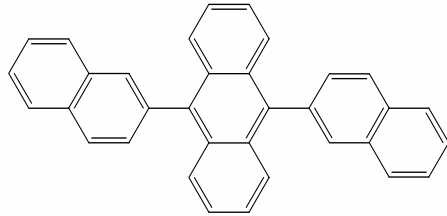
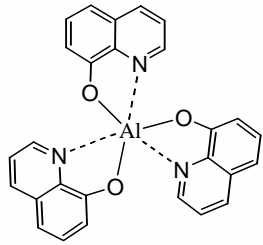


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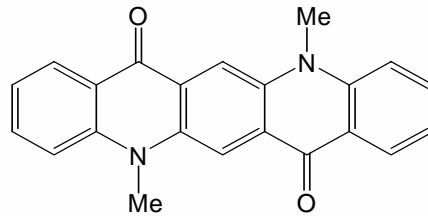
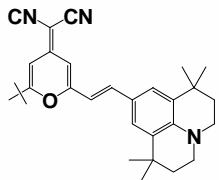


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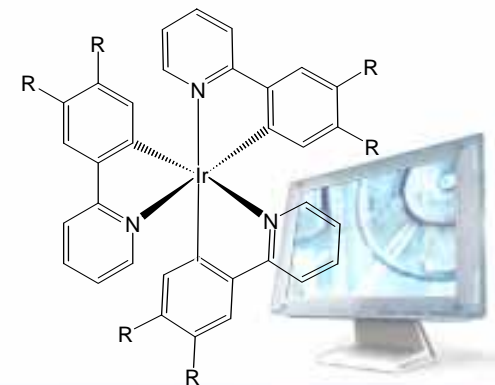
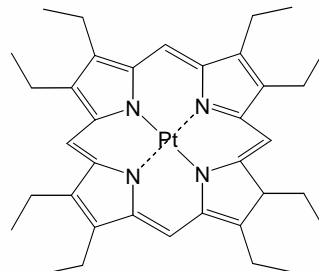
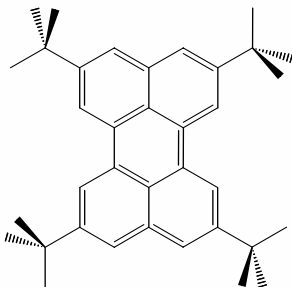
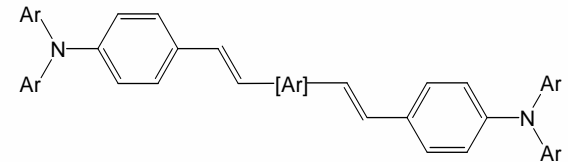
## Host Materials



## Dopant Materials



Quinacridone



# OLED Parameters

$A$  device area

$J$  current density (mA/cm<sup>2</sup>)

$V$  voltage (V)

$P$  optical power (W)  $\Leftrightarrow$   $F$  flux (lumen)  $\Leftrightarrow$   $B$  Brightness (cd/m<sup>2</sup>)  
 (radiometry) (photometry)  $B = F/\pi A$

- External Quantum Efficiency (photon/electron, %)  $\Leftrightarrow$  cd/A

$$\eta_{ext} = (P/h\nu)/(AJ/e) \quad (\text{photometry})$$

- Power Efficiency (%)

$$\eta_p = P/(AJV) \propto \eta_{ext}/V$$

- Luminous Efficiency (lumen/watt, lm/W)

$$\eta_L = F/(AJV) \propto \eta_{ext}/V$$



# External Quantum Efficiency

$$\eta_{\text{ext}} = \eta_r \chi \eta_{\text{em}} \eta_{\text{opt}}$$

$\eta_r$  : fraction of electrons and holes that form e-h pairs

$\chi$  : fraction of e-h pairs resulting in desired excited states (singlet or triplet)

$\eta_{\text{em}}$  : emission efficiency of molecular excited states

$\eta_{\text{opt}}$  : fraction of emitted photons coupled out of devices

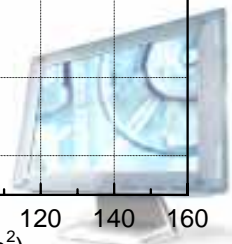
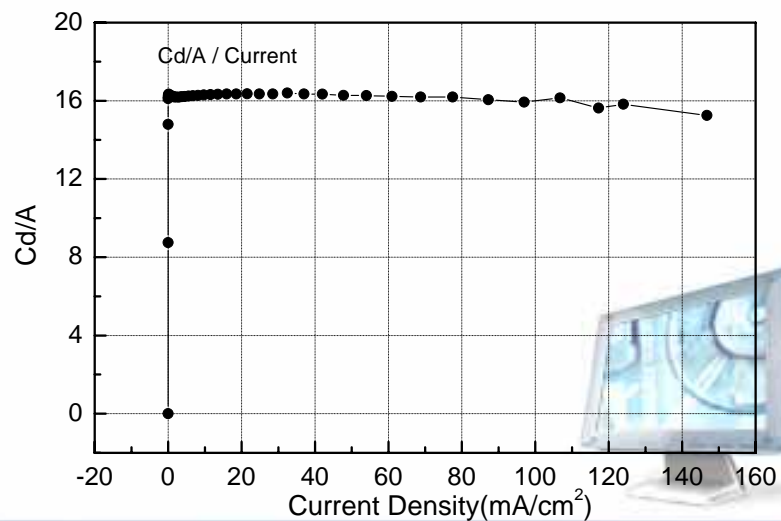
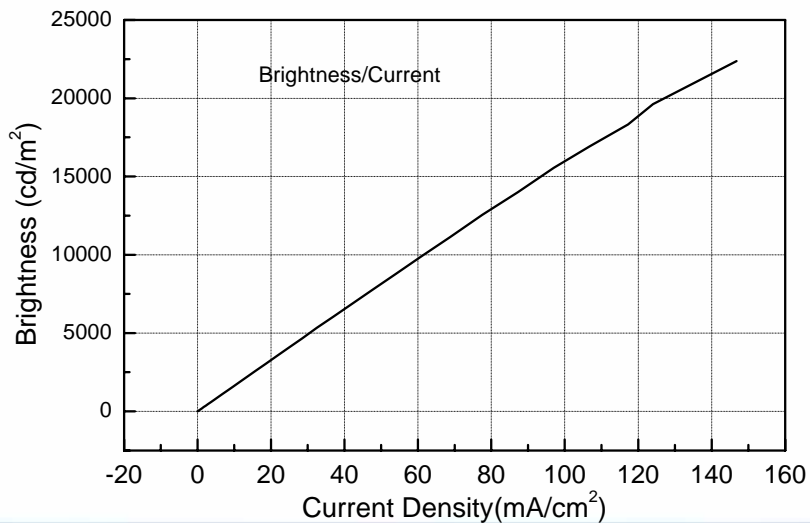
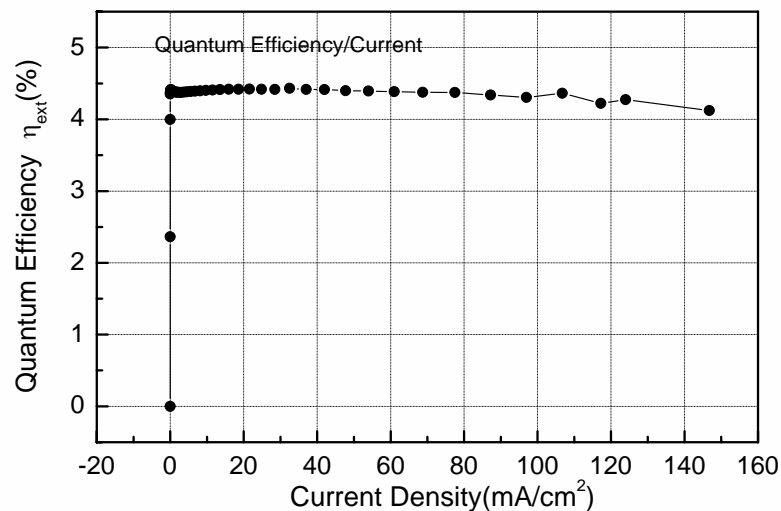
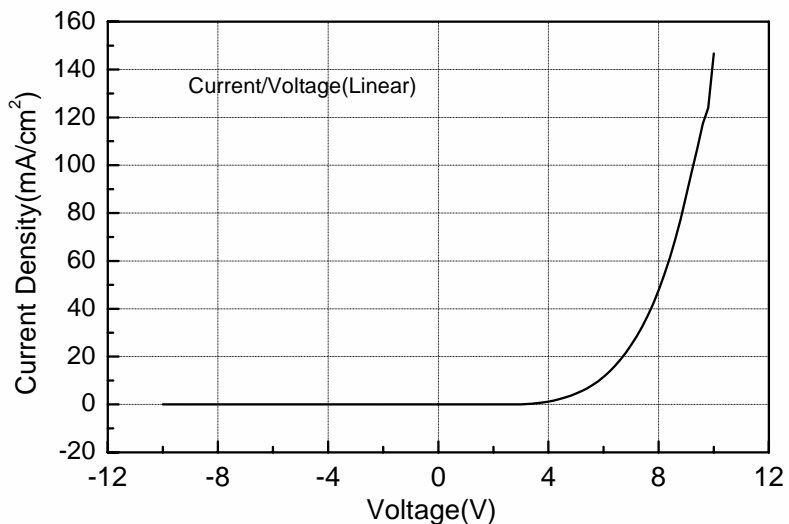
• **Fluorescence** :  $\eta_{\text{ext}} \leq 1 \times (1/4) \times 1 \times (1/2n^2) \sim 6\%$

• **Phosphorescence**:  $\eta_{\text{ext}} \leq 1 \times (1) \times 1 \times (1/2n^2) \sim 20\%$

(n : refractive index of organics  $\sim 1.6-1.9$ )



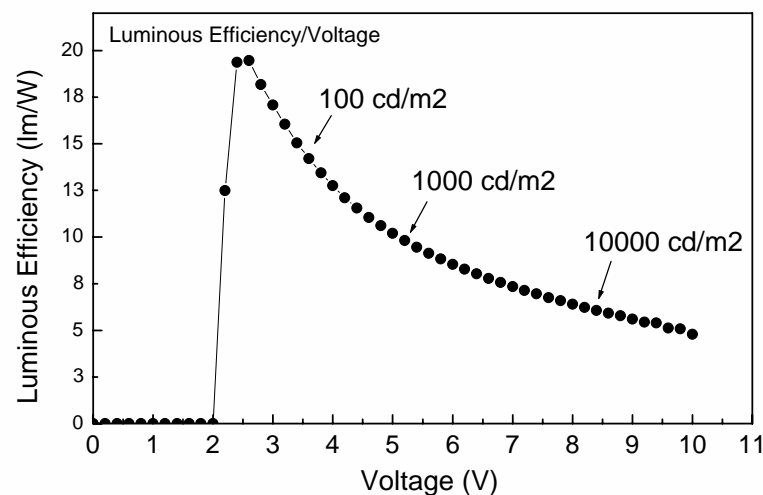
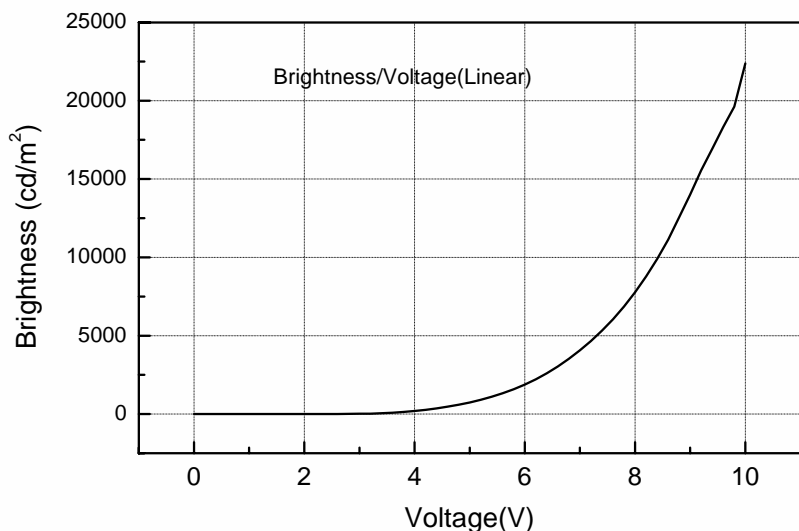
# OLED Characteristics (fluorescent, green)



# Operation Voltage & Power Efficiency

## Ex. Green OLEDs (Fluorescent)

$\eta_{\text{ext}} = 5\%$ ,  $B = 100 \text{ cd/m}^2$ ,  $0.5 \text{ mA/cm}^2$ ,  $4\text{V}$ ,  $\eta_L \sim 15 \text{ lm/W}$



- Low conductivity of OLED materials
  - ⇒  $V$  increases with  $J$  and  $B$  quite significantly
  - ⇒  $\eta_L$  decreases with  $J$  and  $B$  quite significantly



# Contrast

- **Contrast Ratio (N:1)**

$$\frac{B_{ON}}{B_{OFF}} = \frac{B_{OLED} + B_{OFF}}{B_{OFF}}$$

- **Reflective metal cathode of OLED**

⇒ require contrast enhancement component

e.g. Neutral density filter, Circular polarizer etc.

T (%) = Transmittance

⇒ optical loss

- (or black cathode, low-reflection OLED etc., still optical loss)



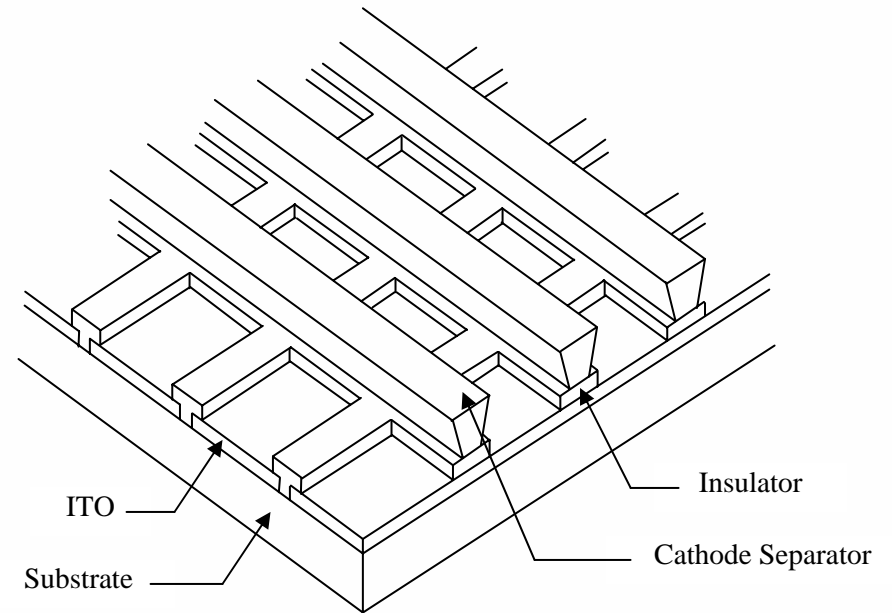
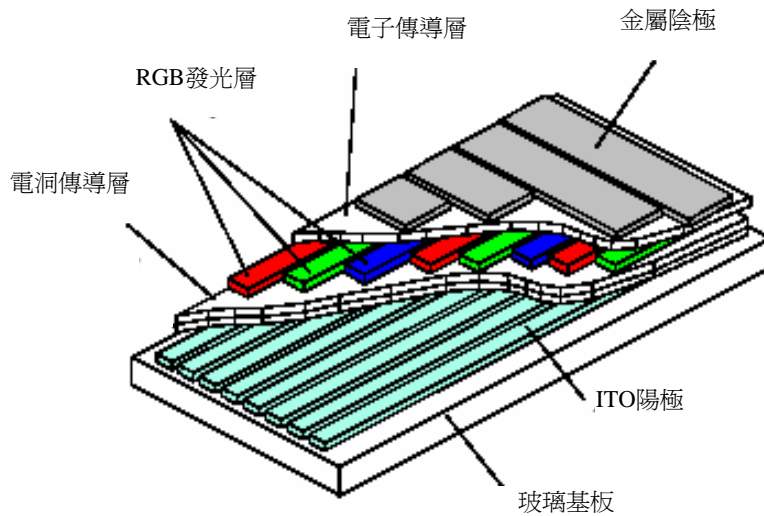


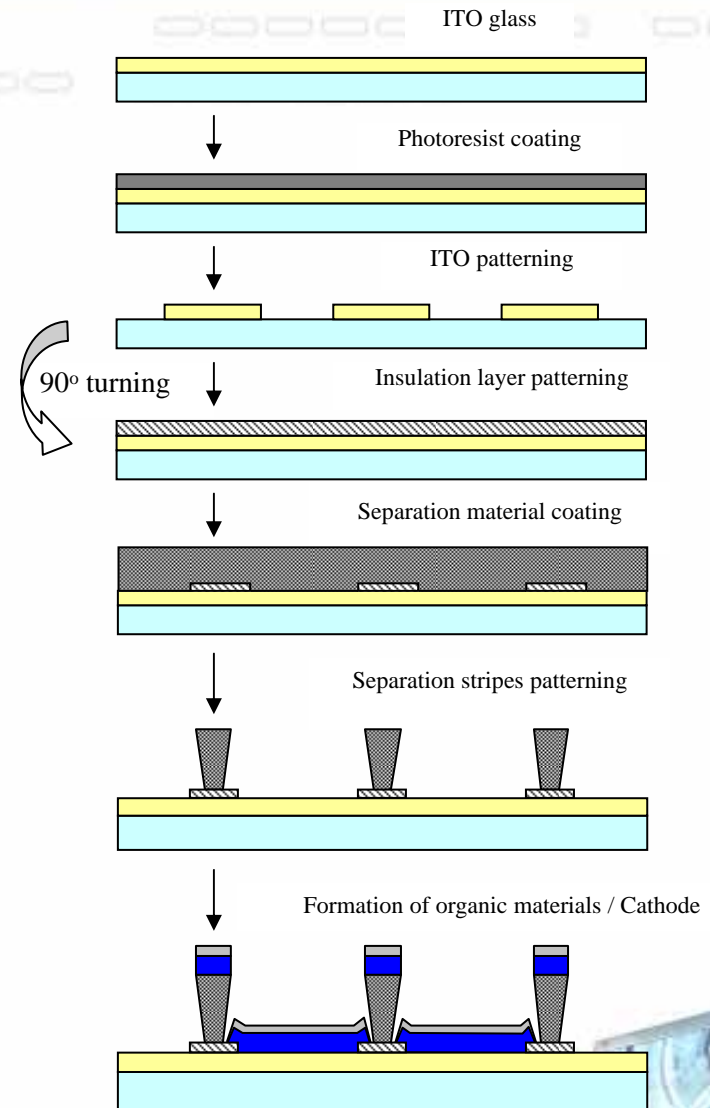
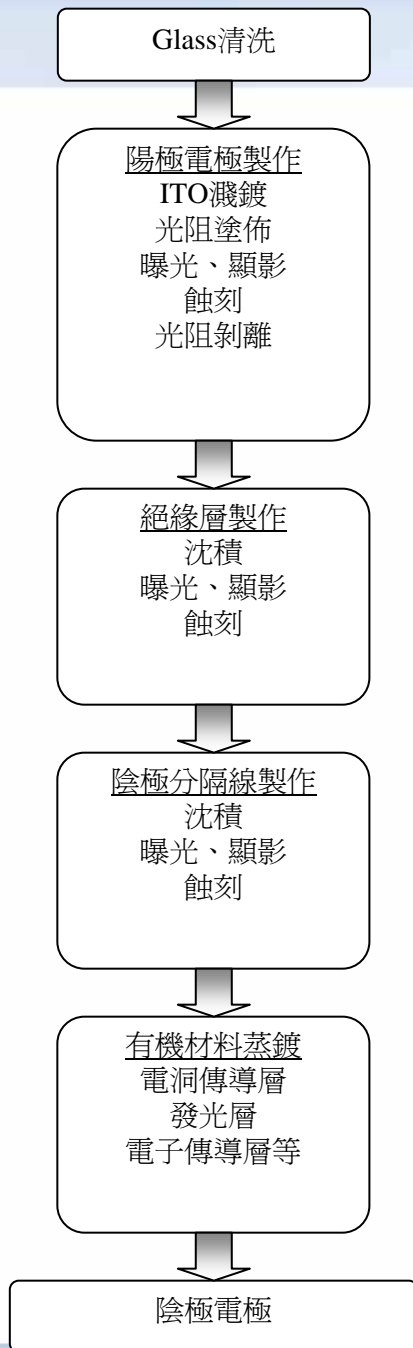
# Key Issues in OLED Display Development

- **Pixel patterning**
  - cathode electrode patterning
  - color sub-pixel patterning
- **Driving schemes**
  - passive matrix
  - active matrix
- (Sealing and packaging too, of course!)

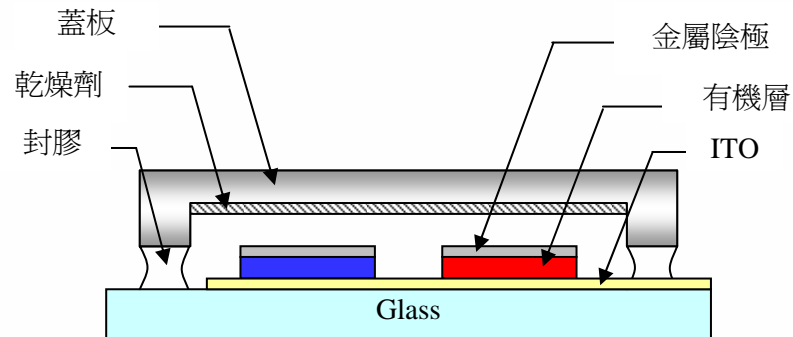


# Passive Matrix OLED as Example



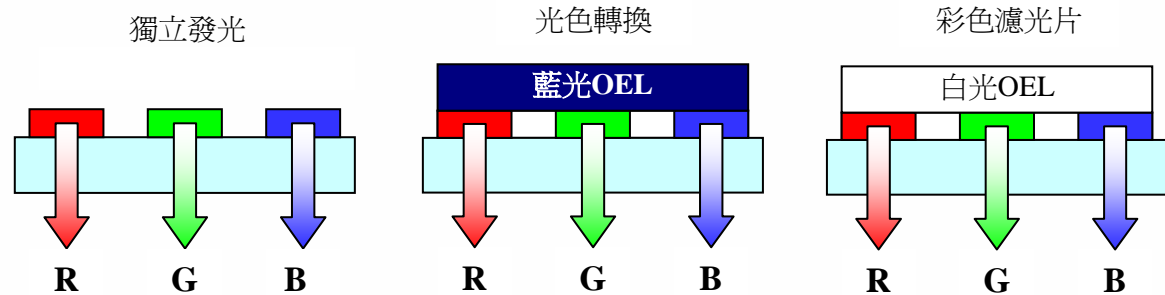


# Encapsulation



# Full Color Schemes

Color Pixels



- **Patterned RGB OLEDs**

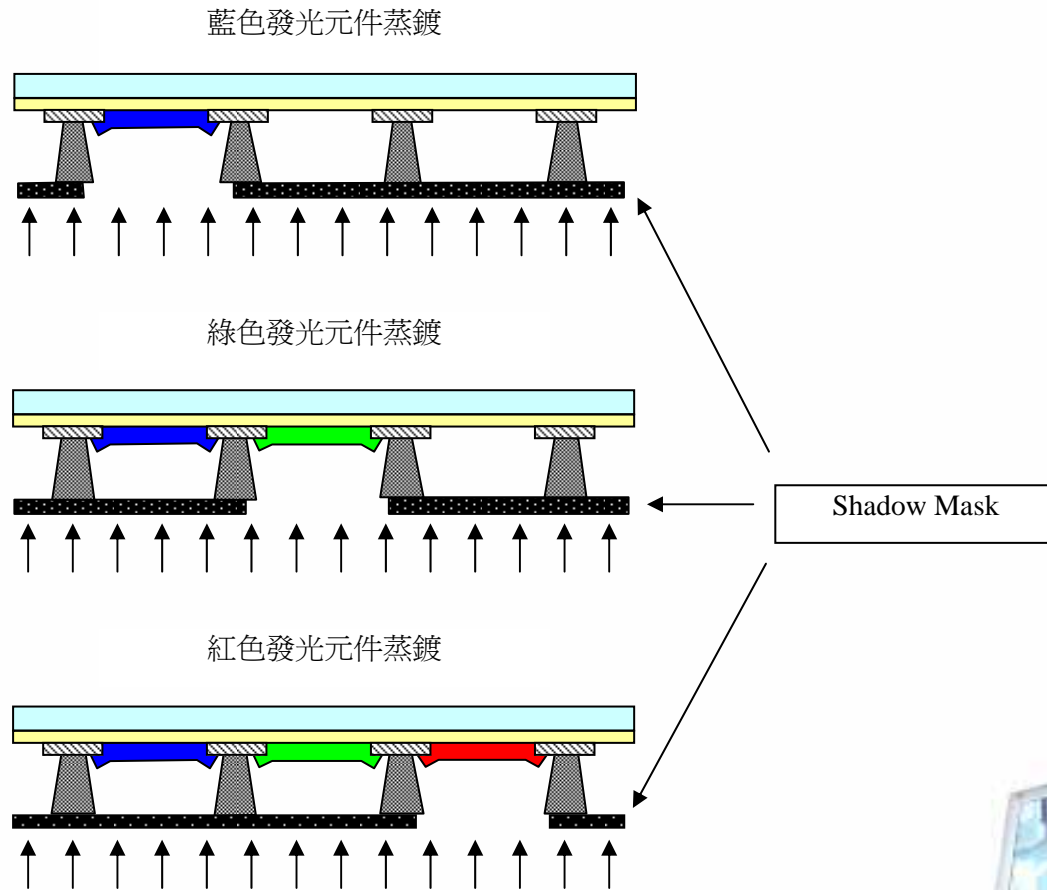
- Sequential growth of RGB OLEDs
- RGB patterning by printing (mostly polymer LEDs)

- **Single Emitter + Color Control Array**

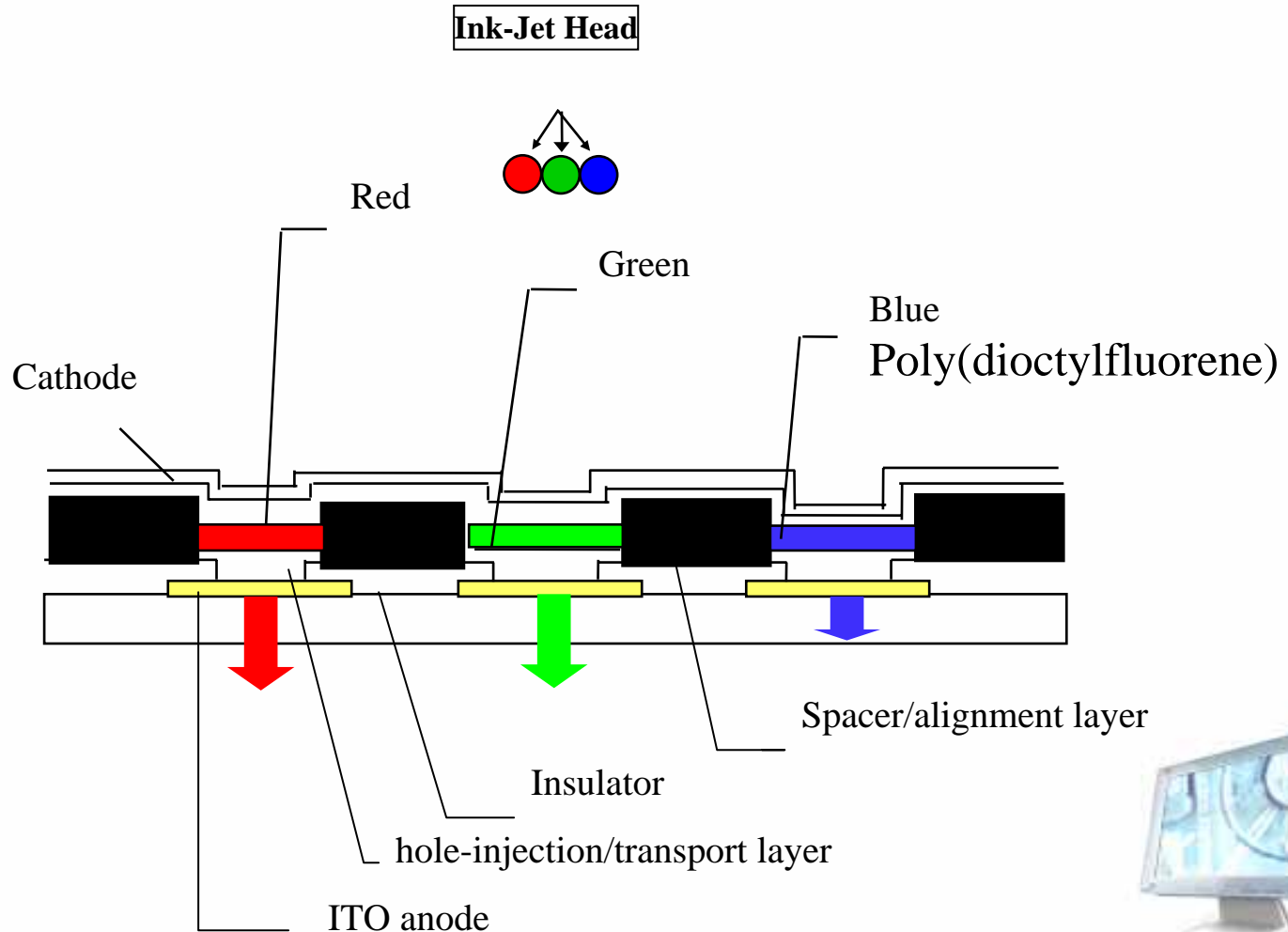
- White OLED + color filter
- Blue/UV OLED + color conversion



# Precision Shadow Masking



# Ink-Jet Printing



# Issues in Full-Color Schemes

- **Separate RGB Emitters**
  - complexity
  - difficulty in scaling up
  - production issues
- **White+Filter**
  - $>2/3$  light wasted
  - efficiency of white OLEDs
- **Blue/UV+Down-conversion**
  - color bleeding, contrast issues
  - conversion efficiency



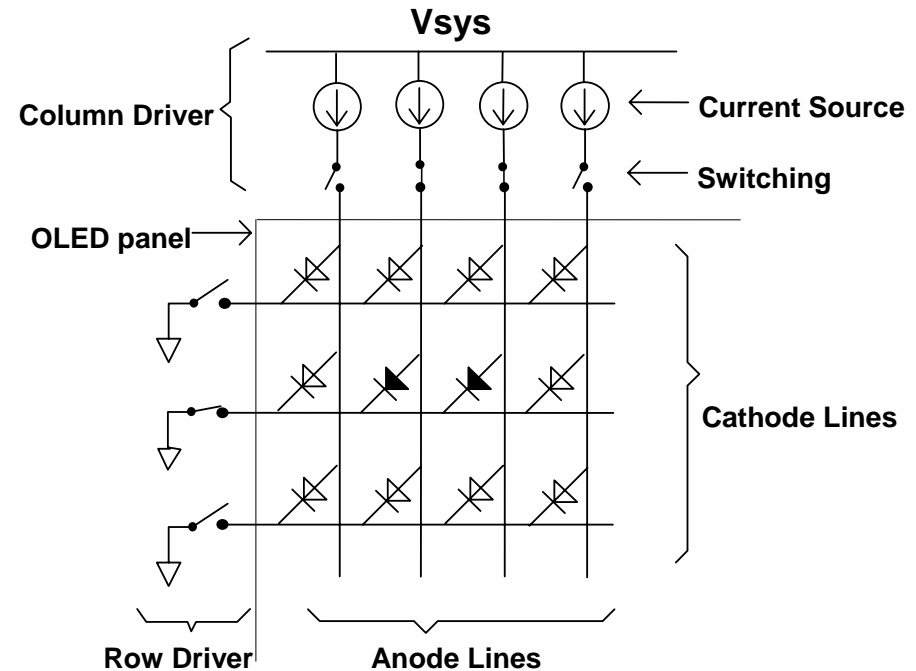
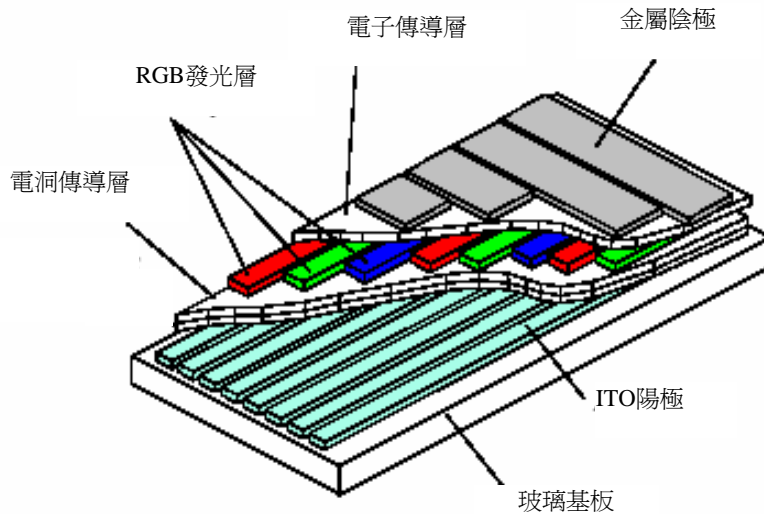


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# Passive-Matrix OLED (PMOLED)



- one line on at a time
- pulsed operation of OLEDs
- current driving more popular for data (column) driver
- Grayscale by (1) current pulse amplitude (analog), (2) pulse width (digital), (3) combination of both



## One line on at a time

⇒ peak pixel brightness  $\propto$  no. of lines

ex. 100 lines  $\rightarrow$   $\sim$  a few times of 10000 cd/m<sup>2</sup>

320 lines  $\rightarrow$   $>$  100000 cd/m<sup>2</sup>

⇒ high peak current and voltage

⇒ (1) lower luminous efficiency

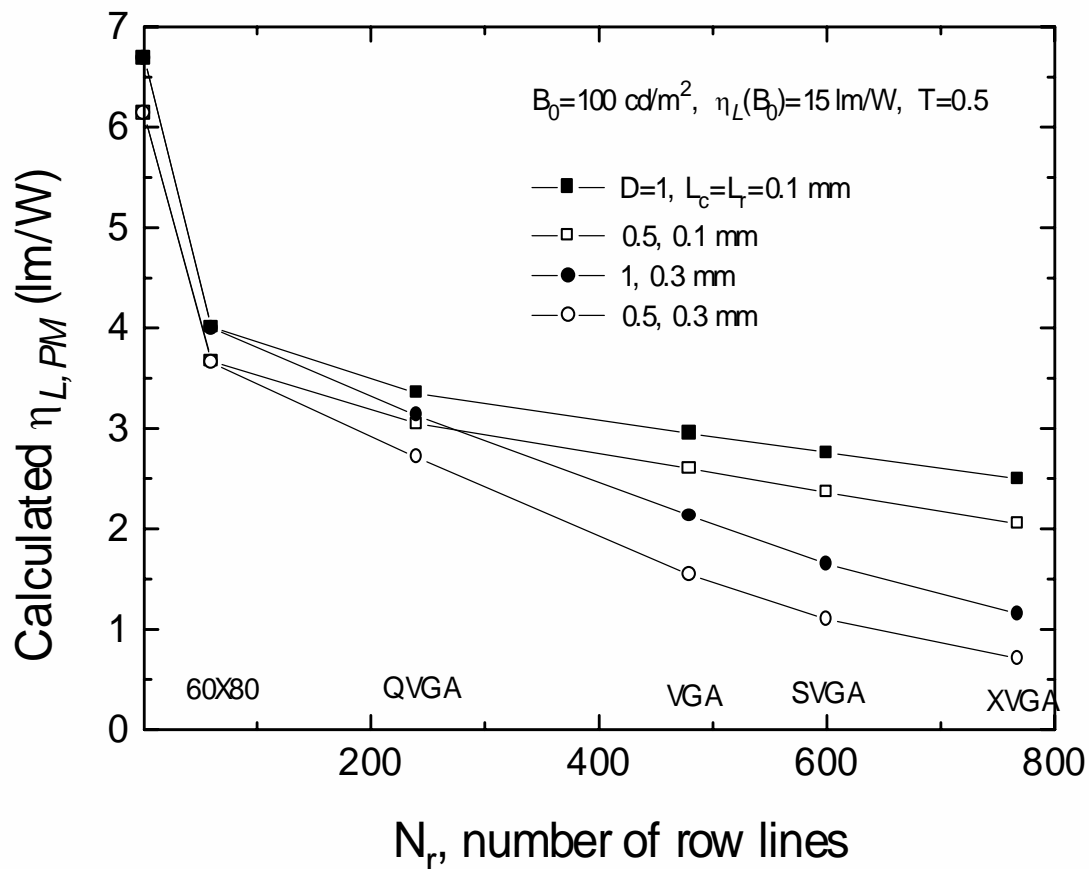
(2) substantial voltage drop on electrode lines

(3) troubles in driving electronics

(4) OLED reliability issues



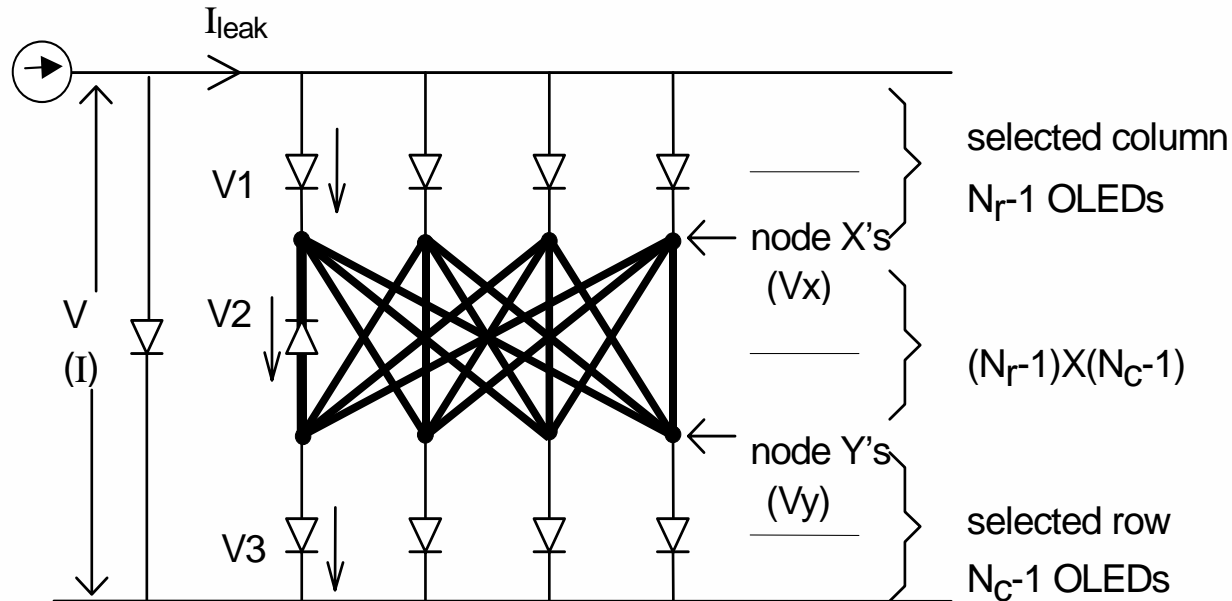
# Performance of PMOLEDs



- Such performance and previous issues limit resolution of PMOLED to at most  $\sim 200$  scan lines (usually)



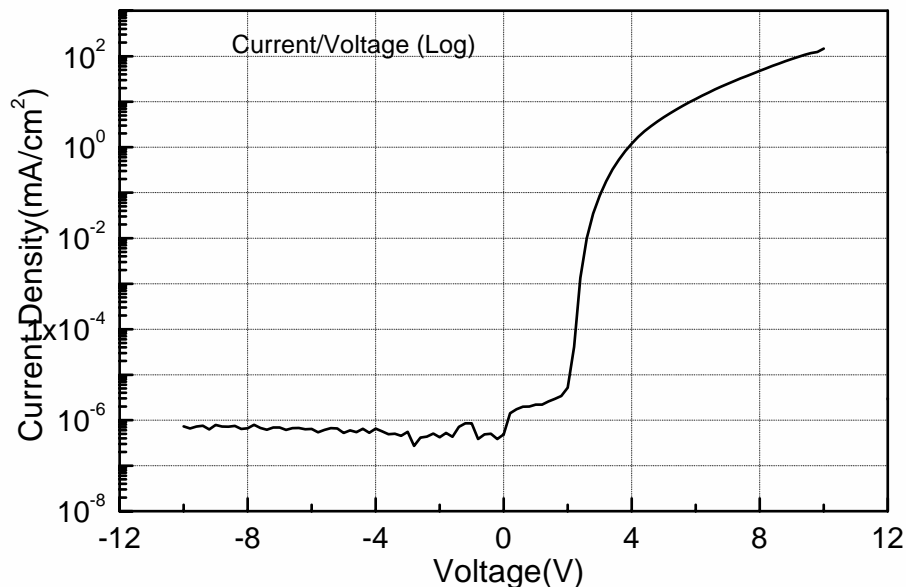
# Crosstalk Issue in PMOLED



- Leakage current, defective devices
- Cross-talk
- High rectification essential for PMOLED



# Highly Rectified OLED

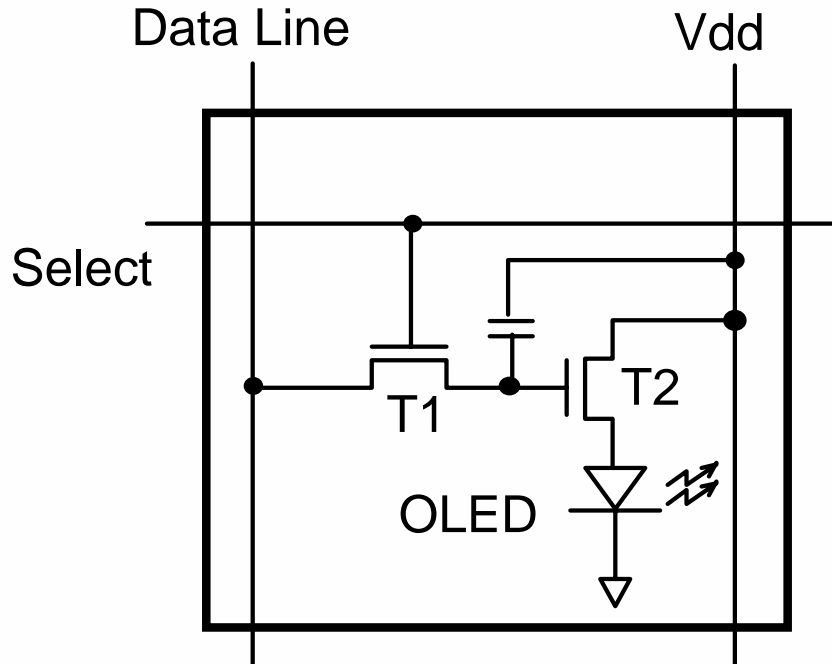


- Rectification ratio  $> 10^8$  achievable with OLED
- Reasonable large PMOLED array achievable



# Active Matrix OLED Display (AMOLED)

- Each pixel has separate Vdd and ground connection
- Grayscale by controlling TFT current



## TFT REQUIREMENT

**T1:** sample and hold

- low leakage to maintain charge

**T2:** drive OLED

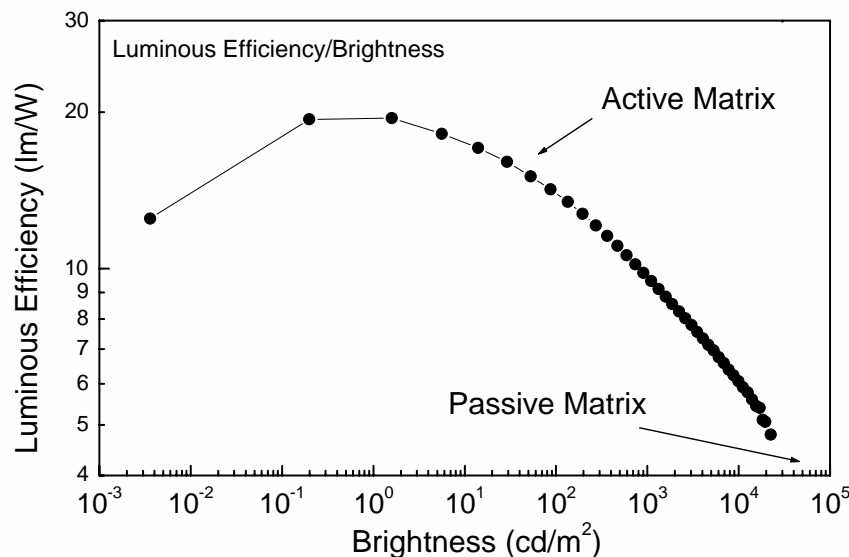
- ability to drive OLED

## Active-matrix

- Higher brightness
- Higher resolution
- Better grayscale control
- Higher power efficiencies



# OLED Operation Mode: AM vs. PM

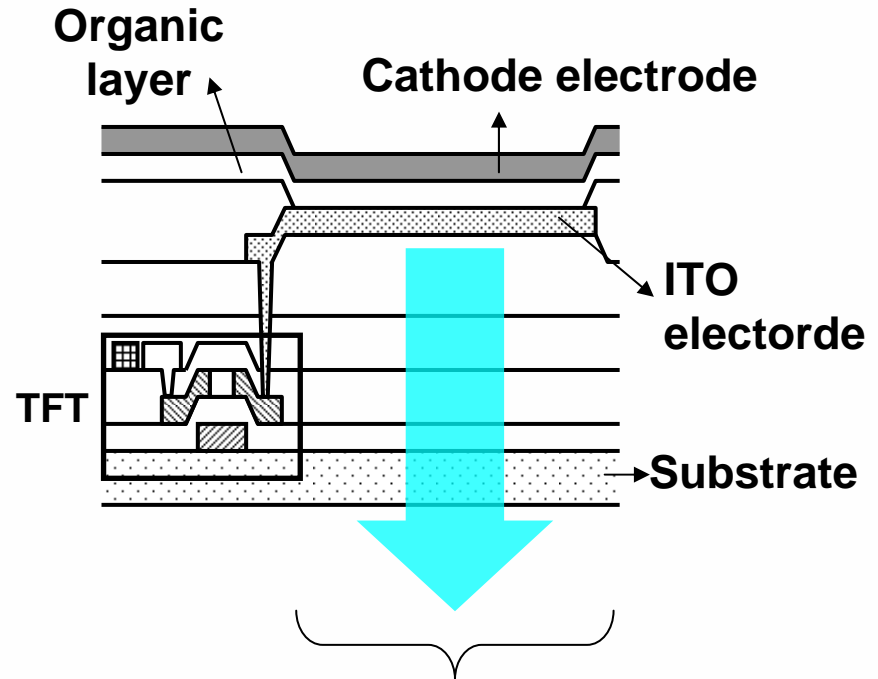
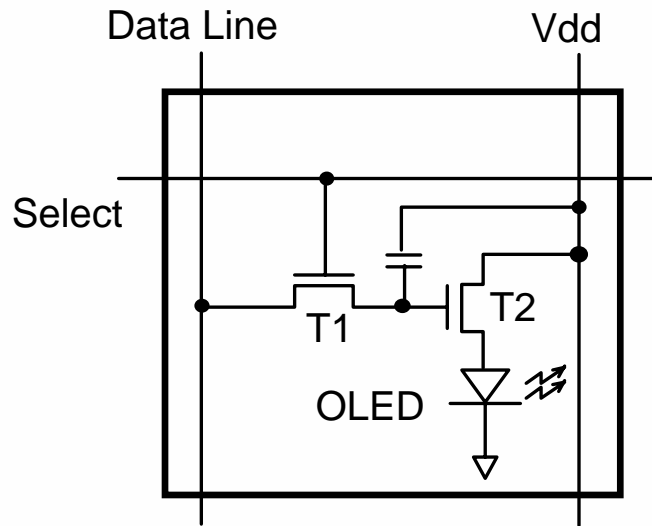


$$\text{Rainbow} \quad B \uparrow \Rightarrow V \uparrow \Rightarrow \eta L \downarrow$$





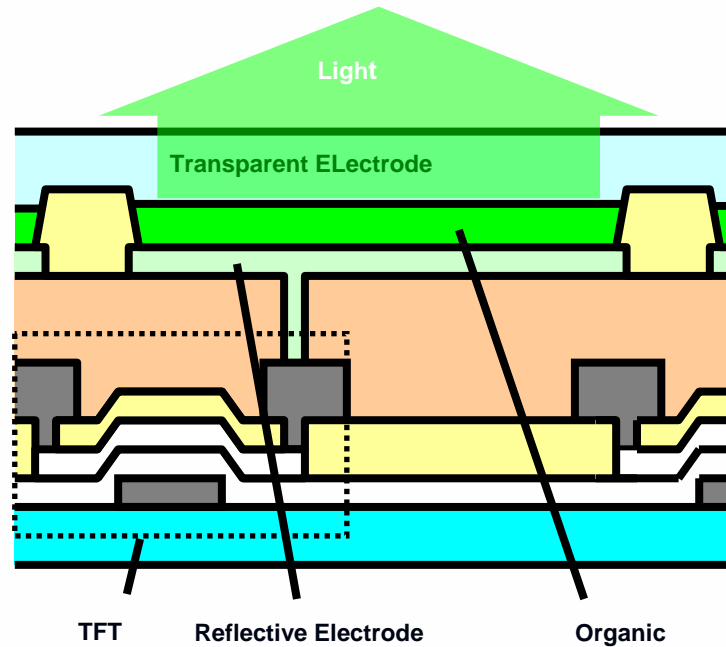
# AMOLED Structure



OLED Fill Factor



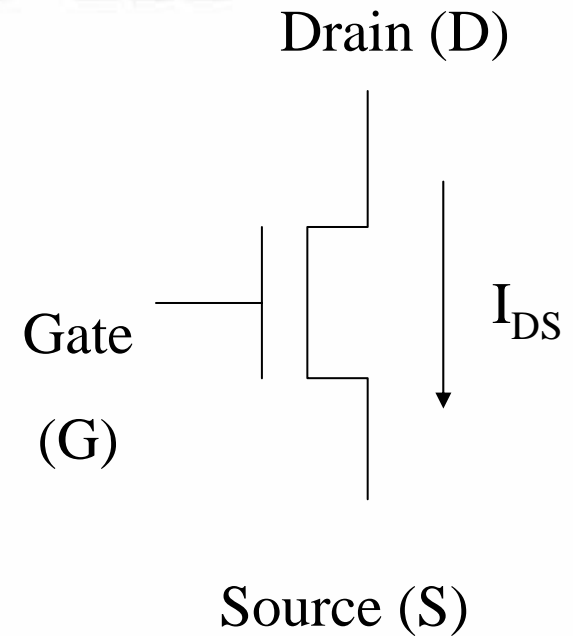
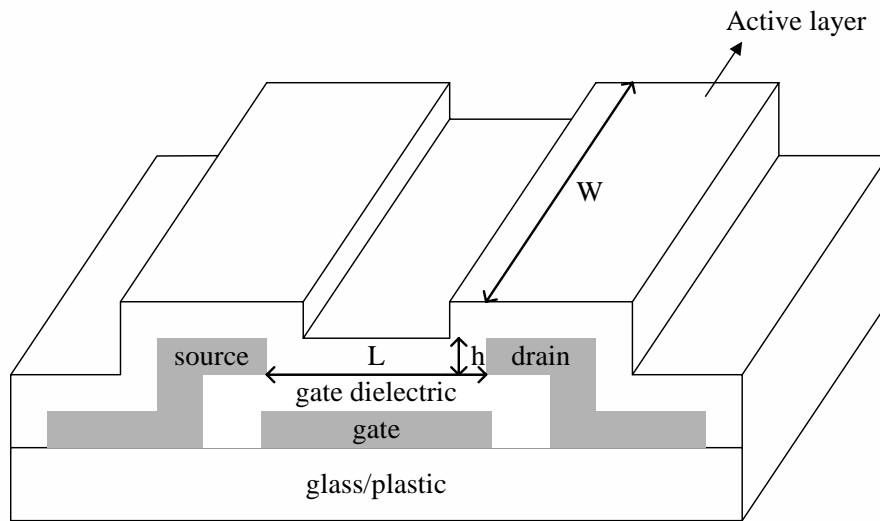
# Top-Emitting AMOLED



To improve pixel OLED fill factor



# Thin-Film Transistors (TFTs)



- L: channel length, W: channel width
- Active layer (semiconductor layer)
  - Amorphous Si (a-Si): a-Si TFT
  - Polycrystalline Si (p-Si): p-Si TFT
  - Low-Temperature p-Si (LTPS): LTPS TFT
  - Organic: OTFT



# Thin-Film Transistors

$$I_D = \frac{1}{2} \mu_{FE} C_g \frac{W}{L} (V_{GS} - V_T)^2 \quad V_{DS} \geq V_{GS} - V_T$$

$\mu_{FE}$ : Field effect mobility

$V_T$ : threshold voltage

$V_{GS}$ : gate to source voltage

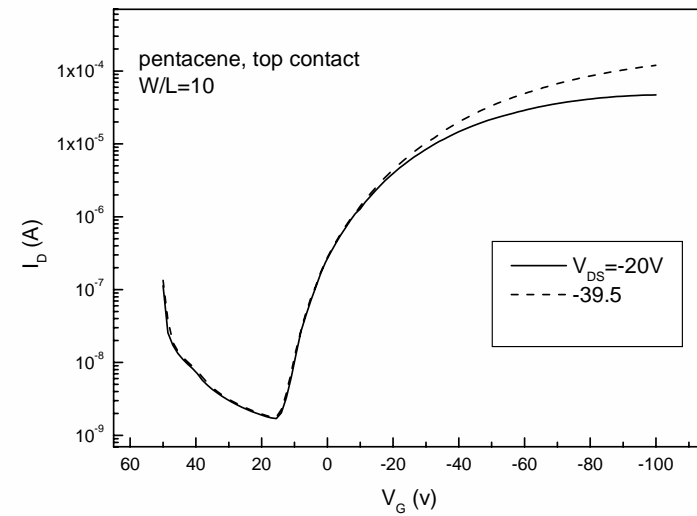
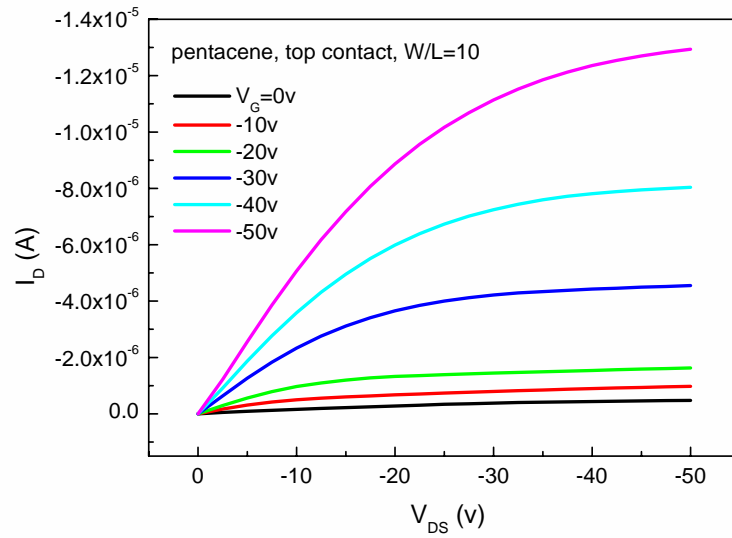
$C_g$ : the gate capacitance per unit area

$W$  and  $L$ : the channel width and length

$$V_{DS} \geq (V_{GS} - V_T)_{\max.} = \sqrt{\frac{2J(B_0)L_cL_r}{C_g \mu_{FE} \frac{W}{L}}}$$

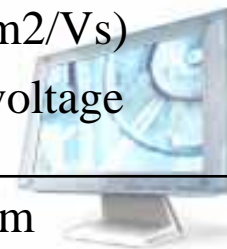


# TFT Characteristics

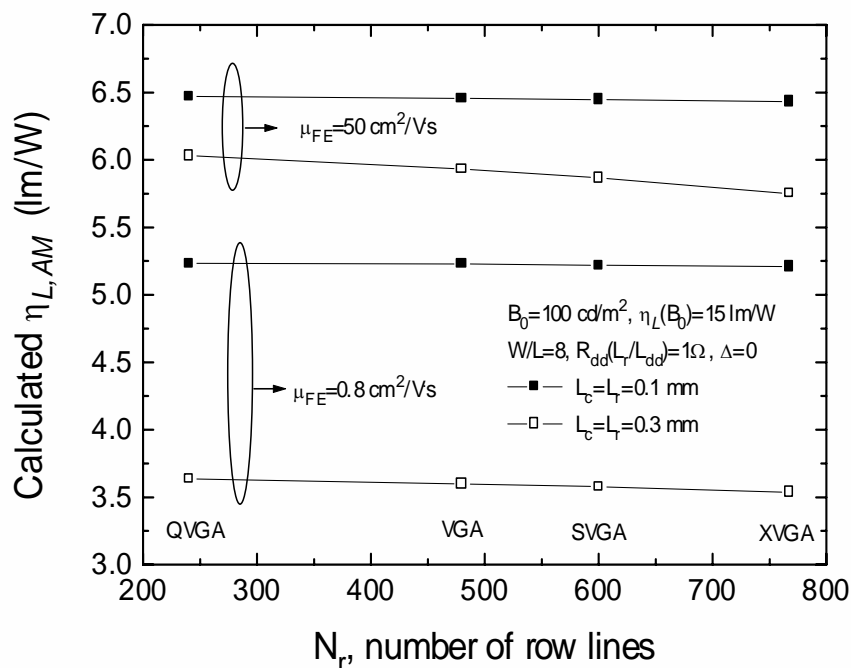


## Comparison of TFT Characteristics

	a-Si TFT	LTPS TFT	OTFT
Technology maturity	mature	Less mature	developing
Large-area scalability	yes	Less mature	developing
Uniformity	yes	Less uniform	developing
Performance	lower mobility (0.5 cm <sup>2</sup> /Vs) Higher voltage	High mobility (50-300 cm <sup>2</sup> /Vs) Low voltage	Lower mobility (0.5 cm <sup>2</sup> /Vs) High voltage
Reliability	problem	OK	problem

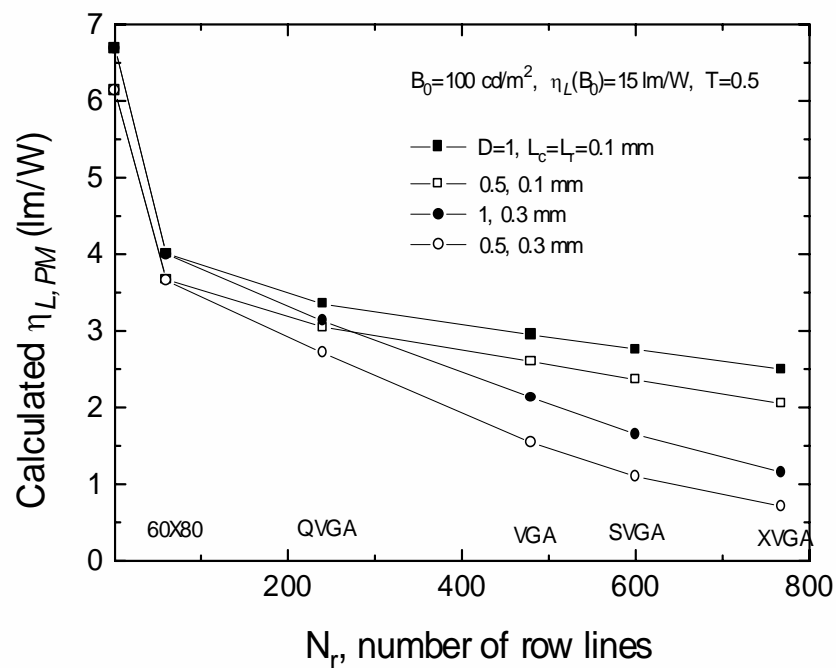


# AMOLED vs. PMOLED



## AM

- continuous excitation
- higher power efficiency



## PM

- high peak pixel brightness
- high peak current, voltage



## AMOLED vs. PMOLED

- Continuous top electrode
  - eliminate fine patterning of top electrodes
- Full duty-cycle OLED operation
  - high brightness, high resolution
- More accurate and easier grayscale control
- No pixel cross-talk
  - eliminate line defects
- Higher power efficiencies
- Integrated drivers (more robust packaging)

\*\* with much higher cost than PMOLED, of course.

