

**ELEG 667-016; MSEG-667-016 - Solid State Nanoelectronics –
Fall 2005**

Homework #7 - due Tuesday, 15 November 2005, in class

1. Assume that the next generation of dielectrics for FET gates will be $(\text{HfO}_2)_x(\text{SiO}_2)_{1-x}$. How will this material address:
 - a. Dielectric properties.
 - b. Thermodynamic Stability.
 - c. Electronic properties (band alignment).
 - d. Microstructural stability.
 - e. Describe how atomic layer epitaxy might be used to deposit it.
2. Again, considering $(\text{HfO}_2)_x(\text{SiO}_2)_{1-x}$, how would you change device fabrication to:
 - a. Minimize trap states at oxide/substrate interface.
 - b. Minimize diffusion of B from polysilicon through the dielectric.
 - c. Minimize depletion at electrode/dielectric interface.
3. Briefly describe one of the vertical double structures, and the advantages and disadvantages of this structure. Please consult the literature here.