

# TCAD Simulation of AMOLED/TFT Crosstalk & Interference Effects

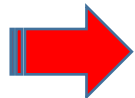
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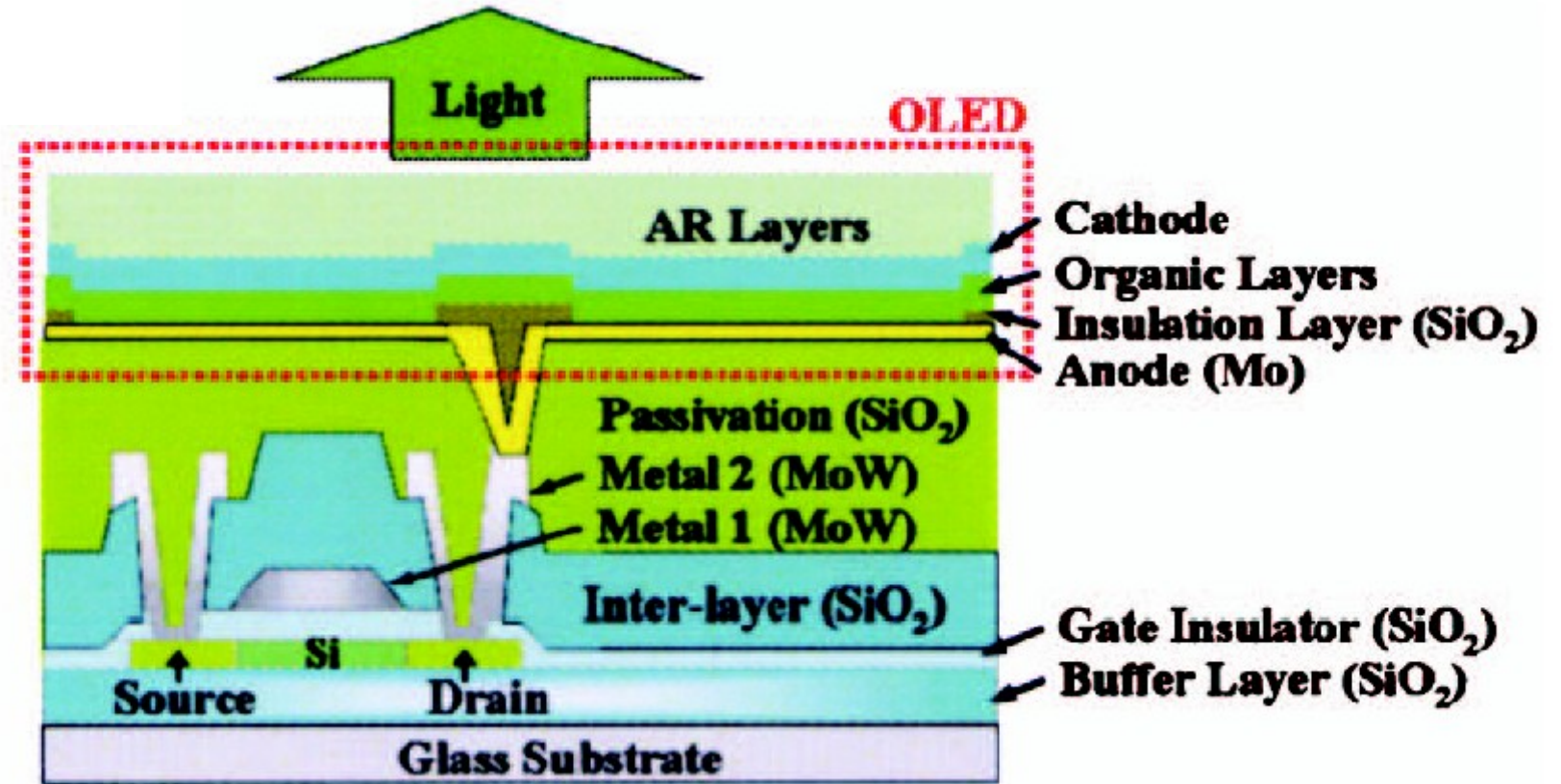
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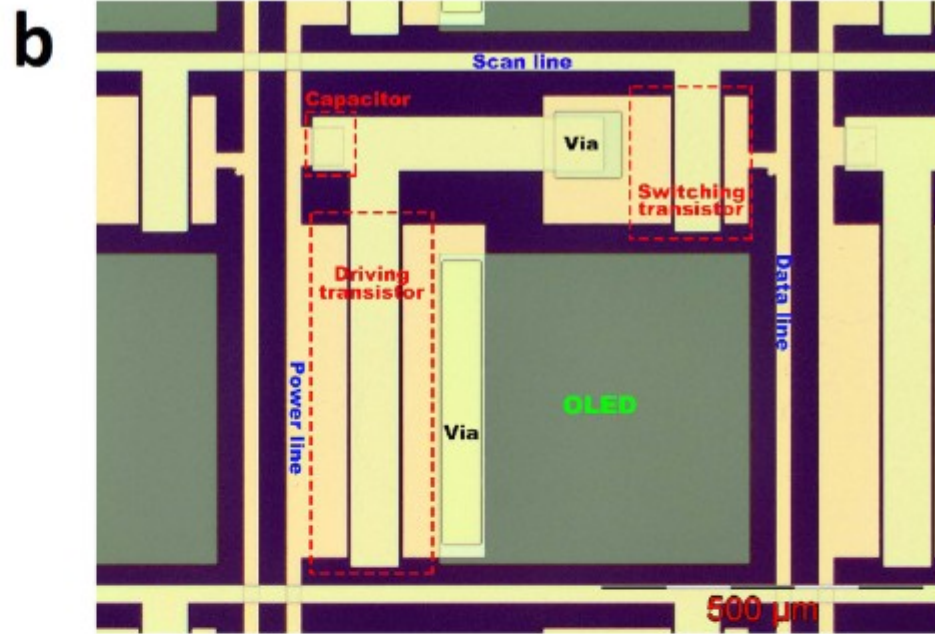
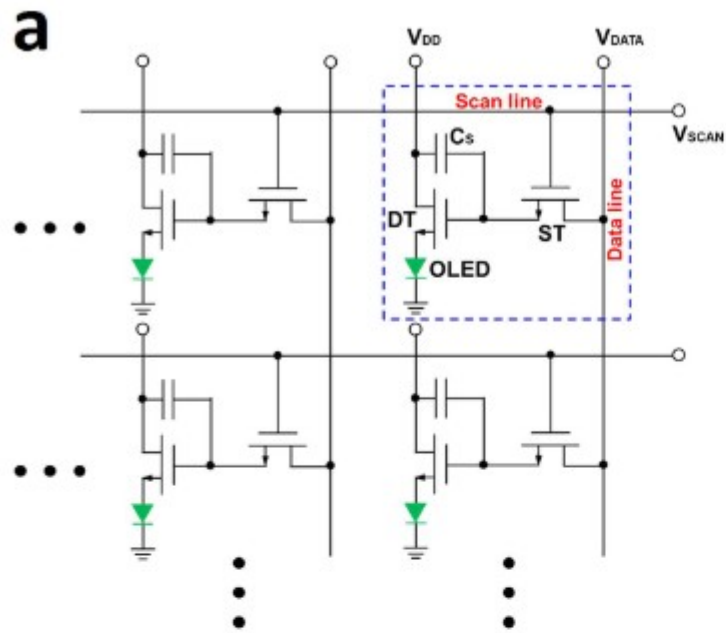


- Intra-pixel electrical interference in TFT
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- Summary

TCAD tool requirement needs to handle large area device with hundreds or thousands of  $\mu\text{m}$  in lateral sizes while vertical features are of nm sizes.

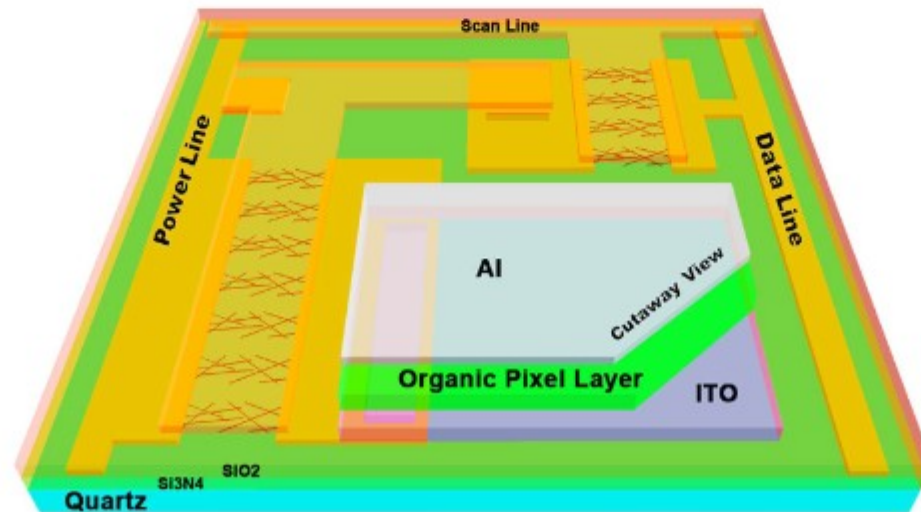


Ref: Yang et. al, APL 87, 143507 (2005)

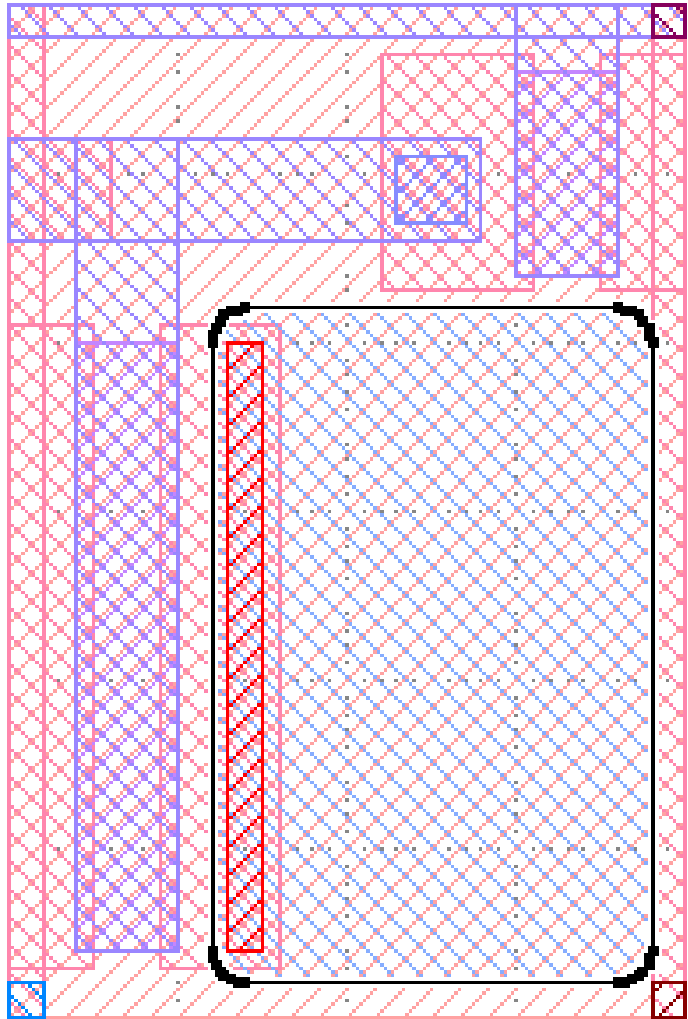


**Reference TFT driver circuit for a AMOLED pixel**



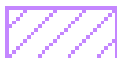
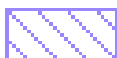
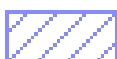
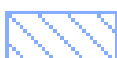




**c**



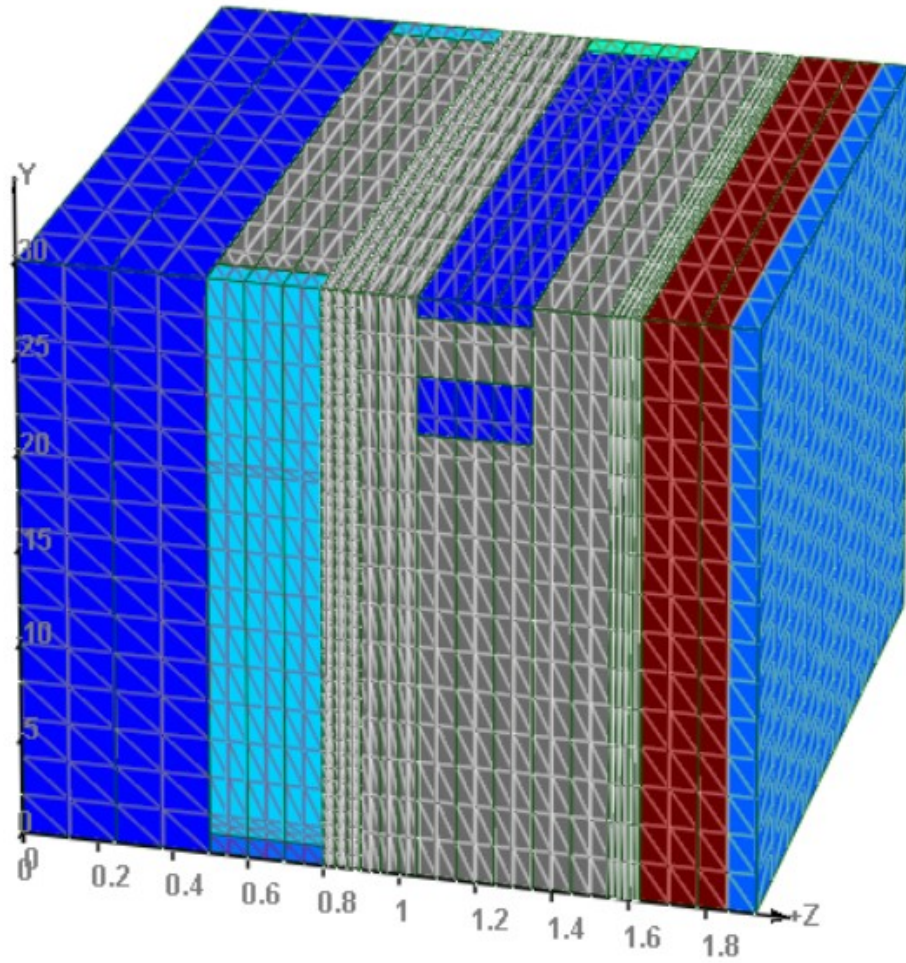
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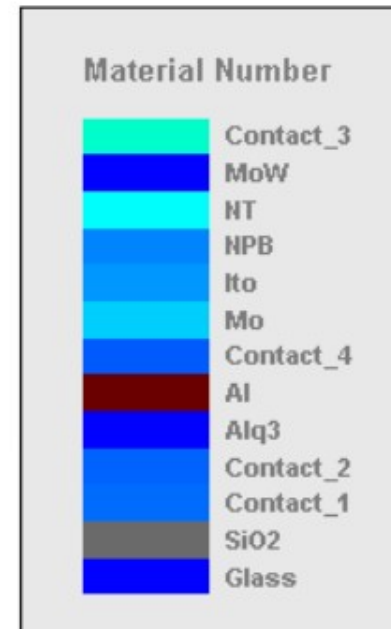
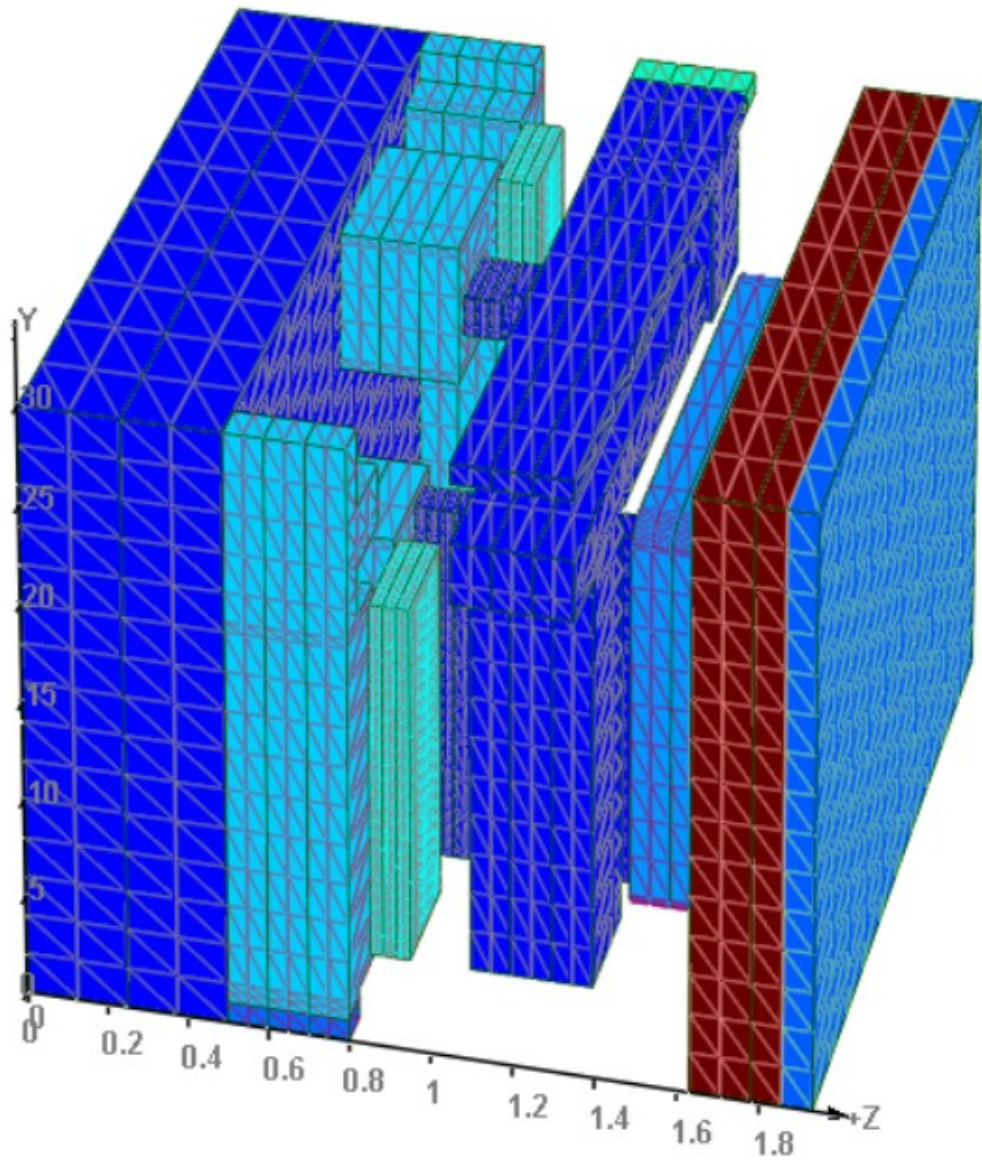
10  $\mu\text{m}$

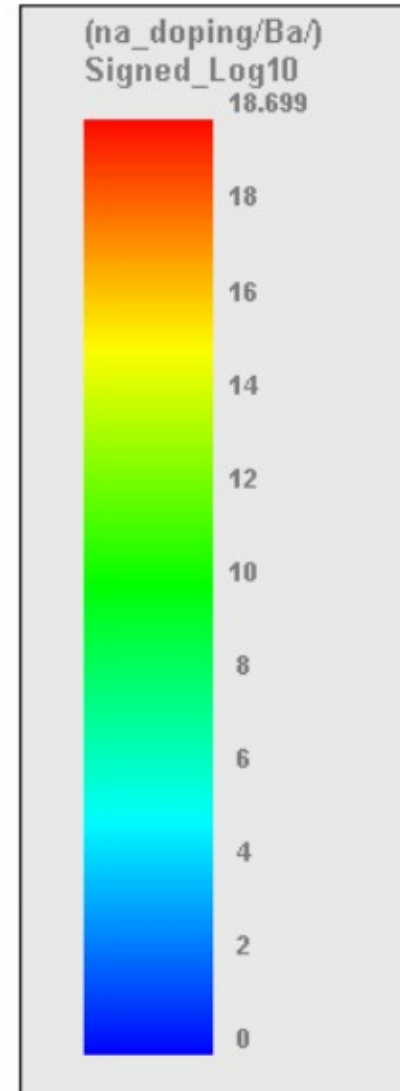
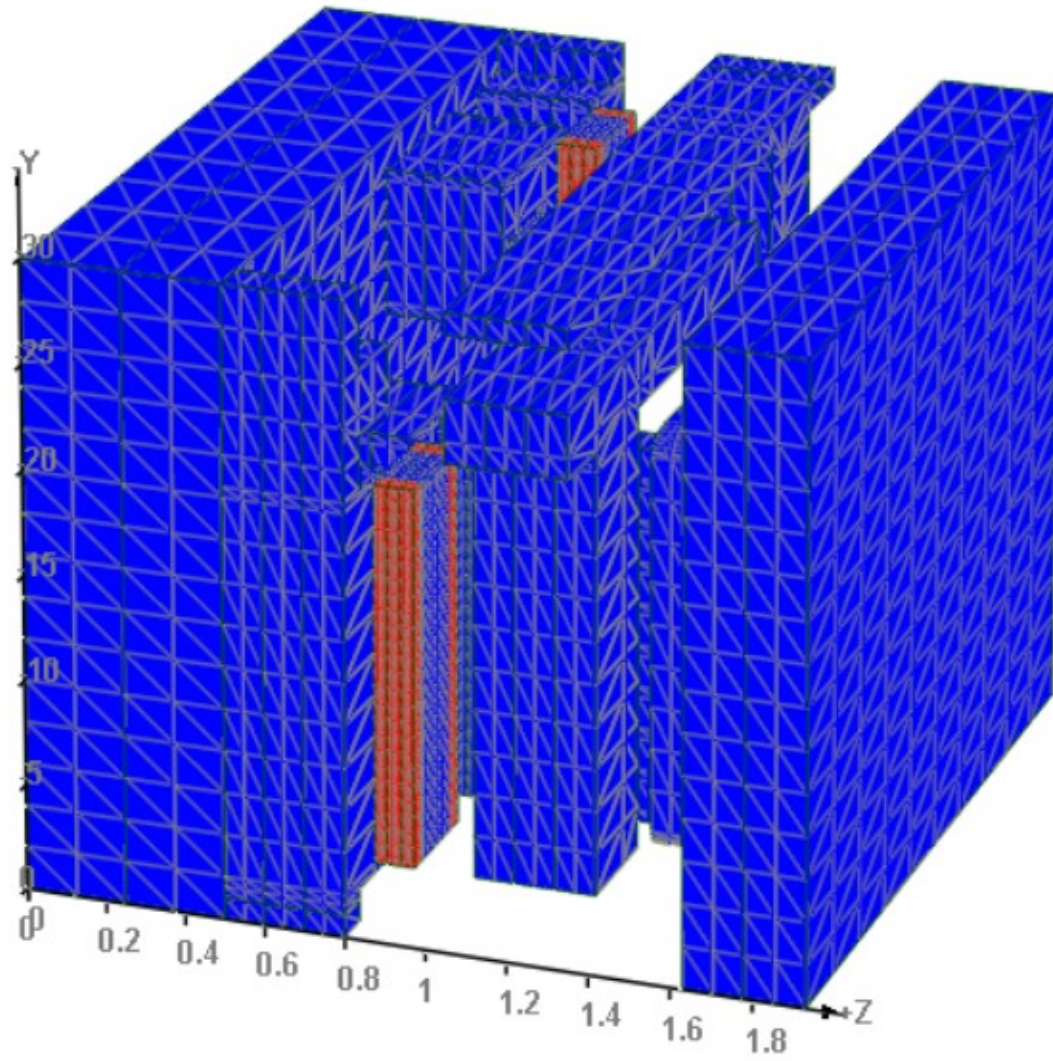
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**lay1=S/D**  
**channel-lay2**  
**lay3=G**  
**lay4=via between SD/**  
**G**  
**(S/D also power line**  
**and data line, G also**  
**scan line)**  
**lay5 OLED(ITO/OL)**  
**lay6 Via between**  
**OLED and S/D**  
**lay11/12/13 are**  
**contacts**



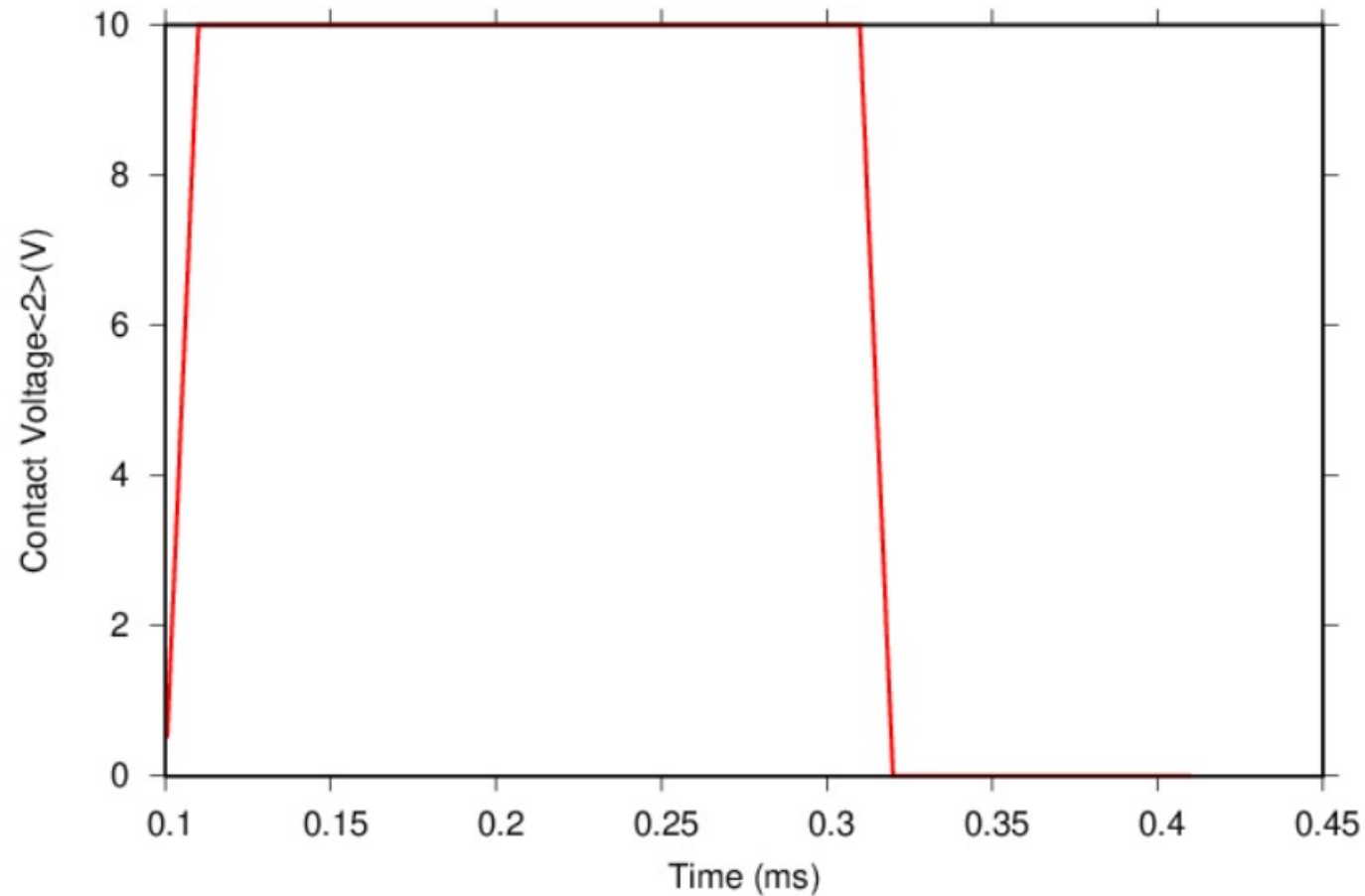
Material Number	
	Contact_3
	MoW
	NT
	NPB
	ITO
	Mo
	Contact_4
	Al
	Alq3
	Contact_2
	Contact_1
	SiO2
	Glass





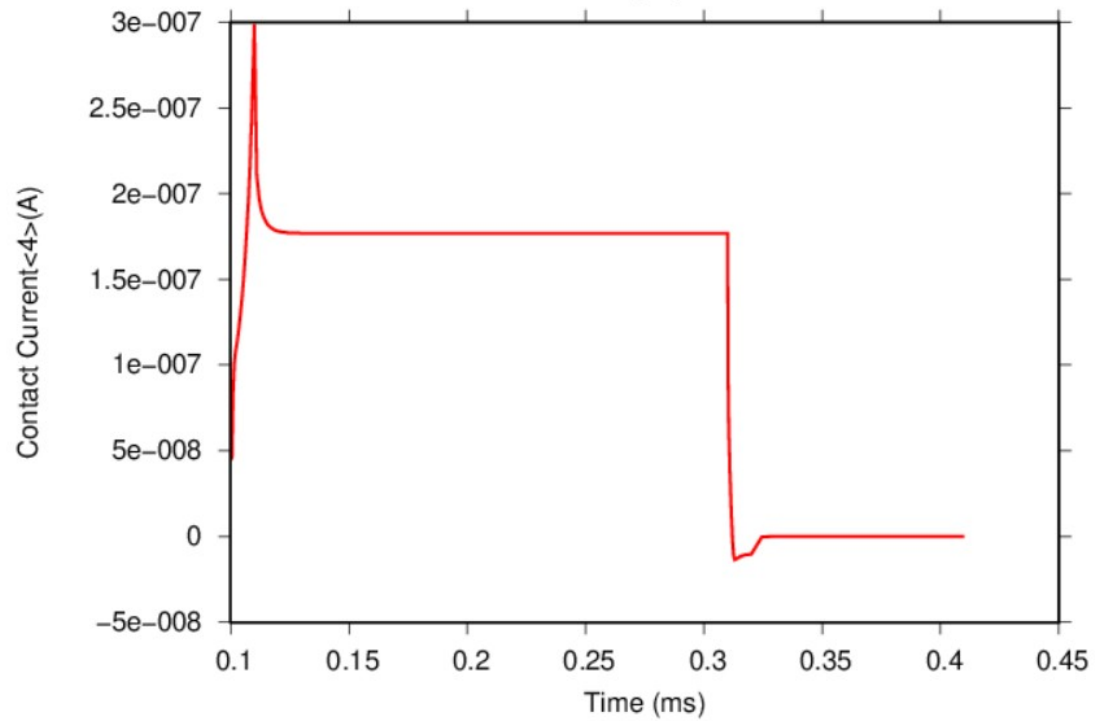


**Transient simulation Powerline=10V within 0.1ms,  
Scanline&Dataline impulse.  
Contact4=ground Contact1=Powerline  
Contact2=Dataline Contact3=Scanline**

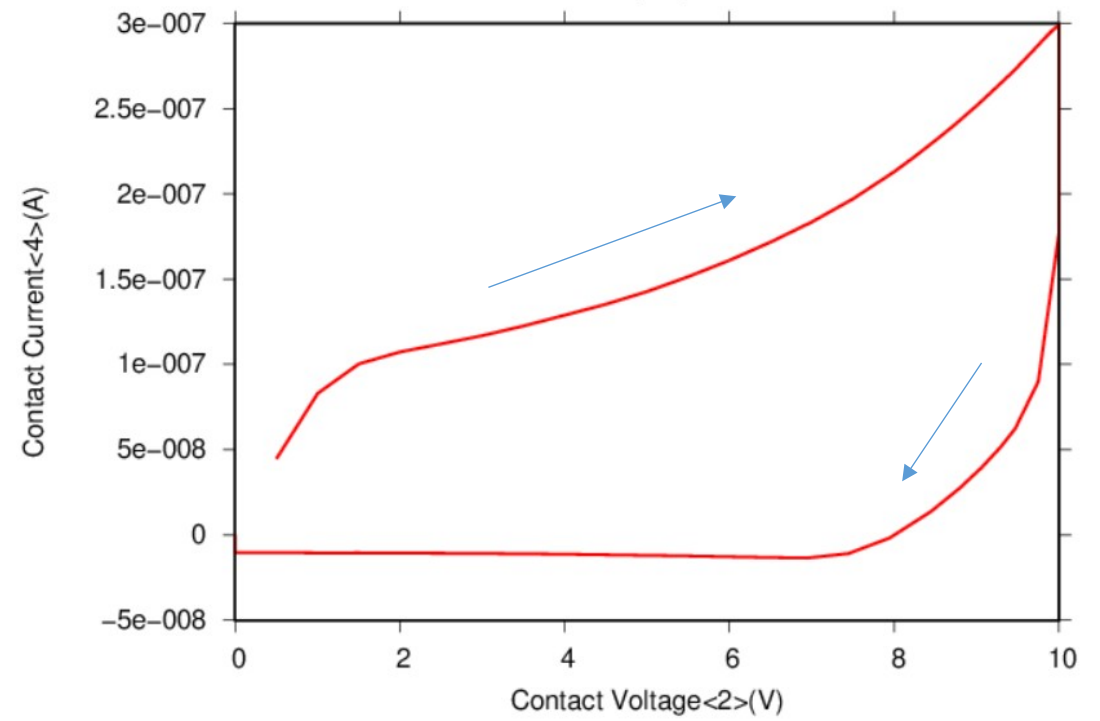




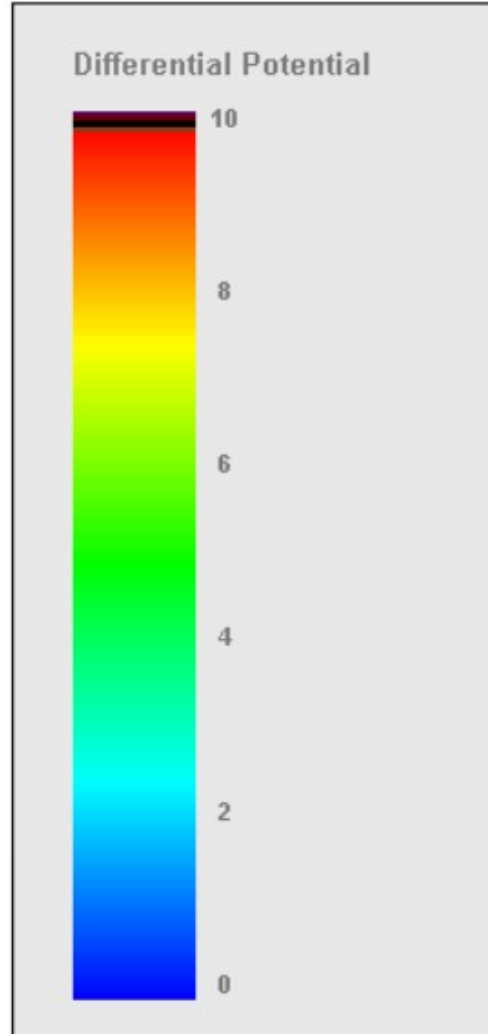
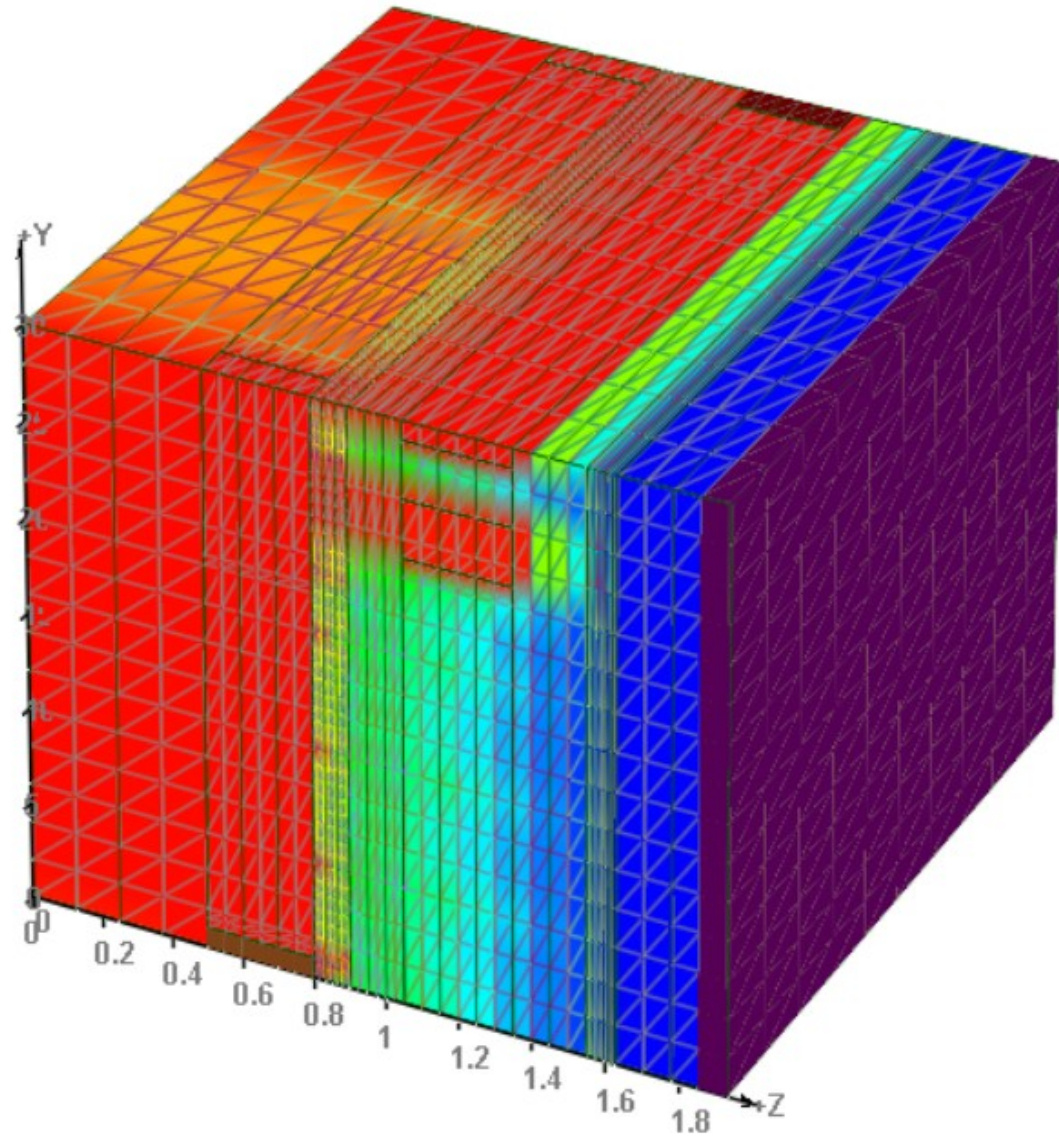
### OLED current



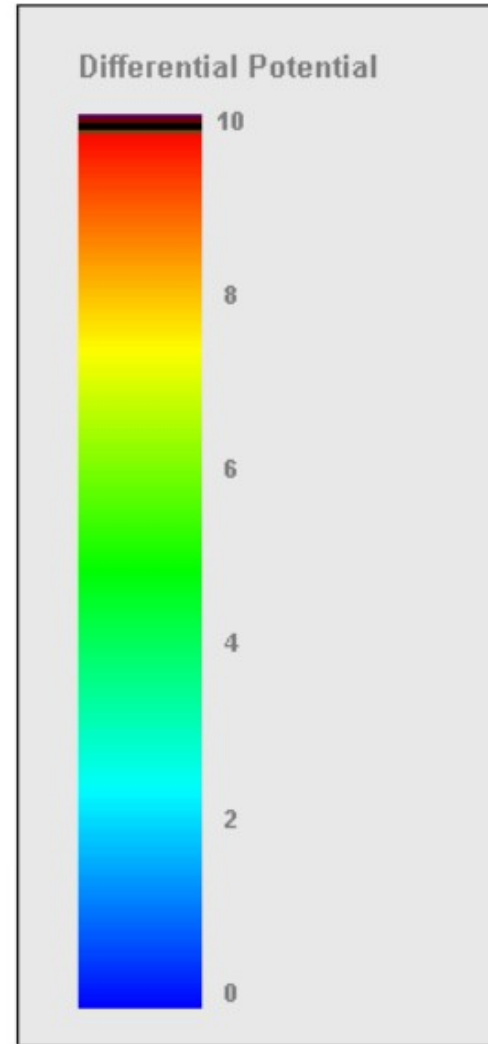
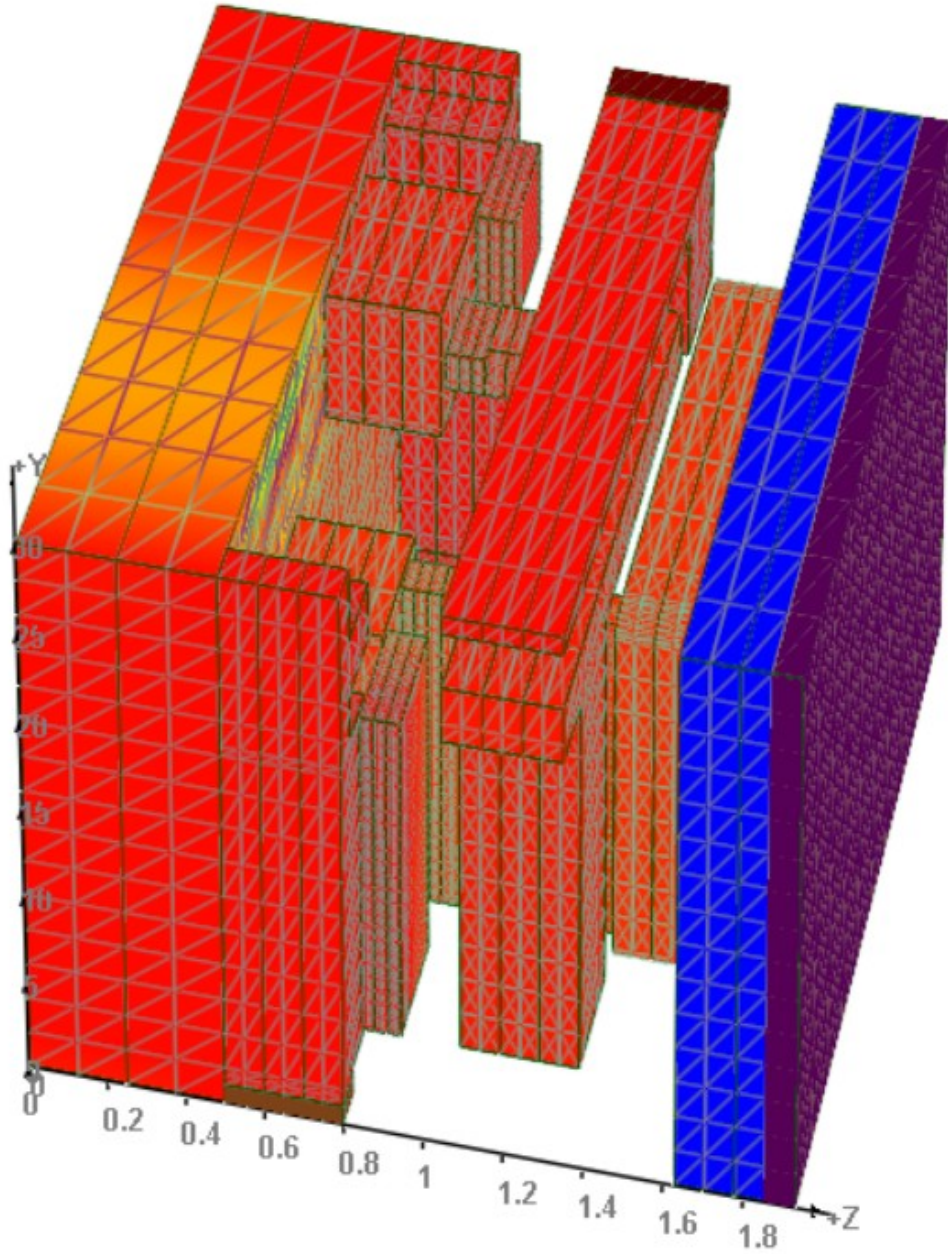
### OLED current vs. Dateline&Scanline



Right after  
turn-on



Right after  
turn-on

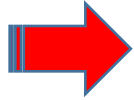




**Comment: potential distribution  
clearly spread across different  
TFT due to capacitance effects.**

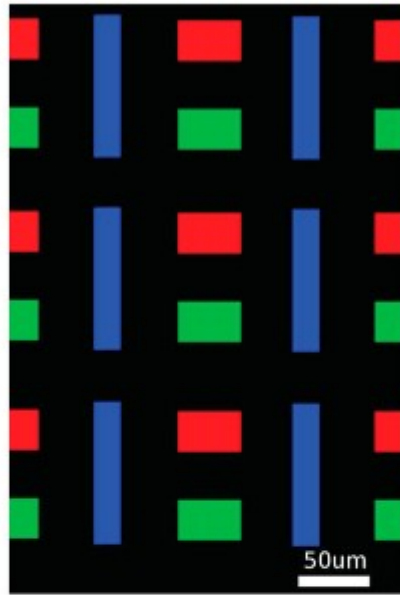
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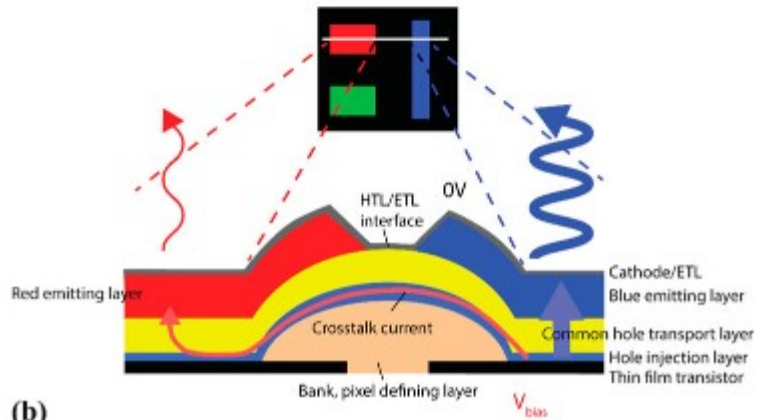


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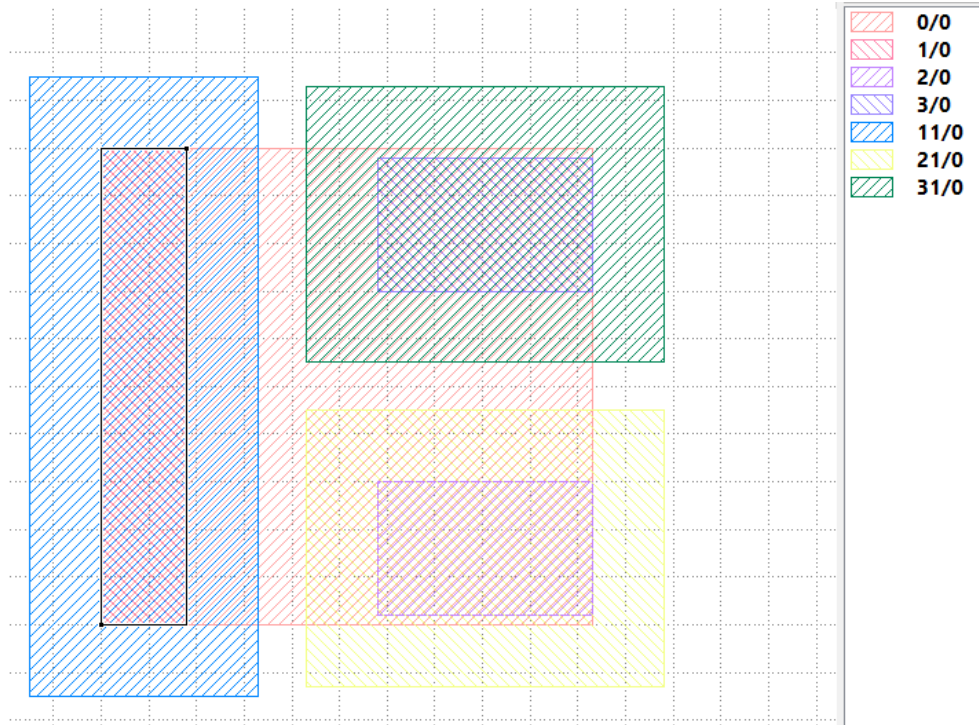
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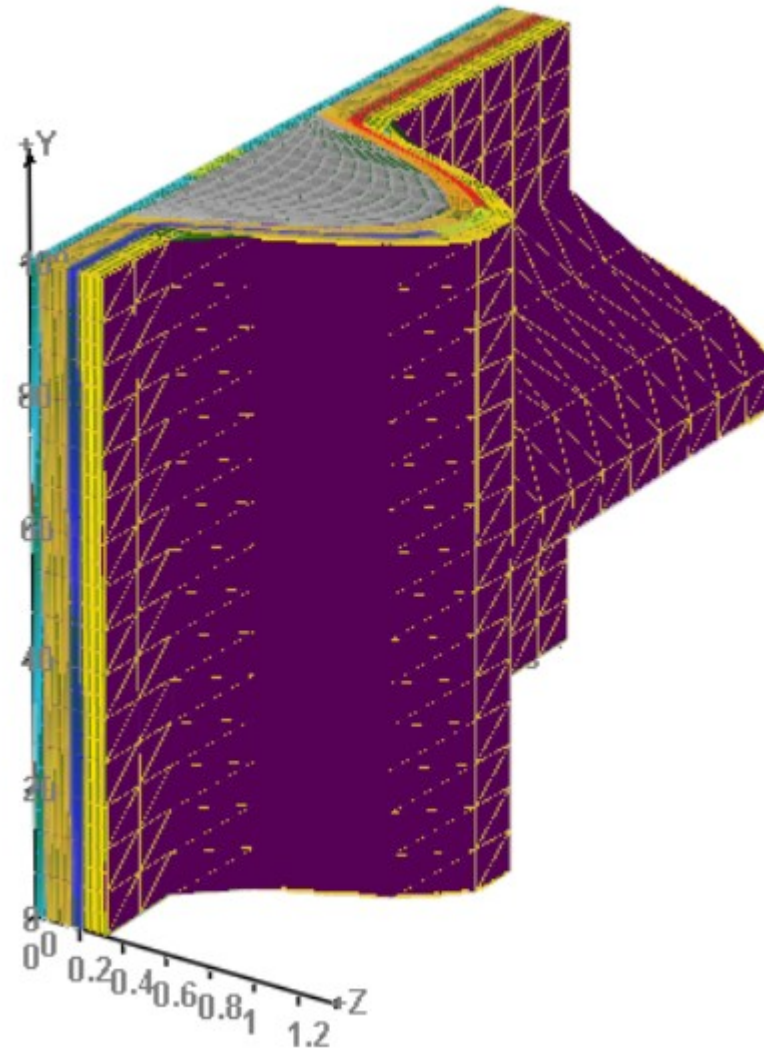
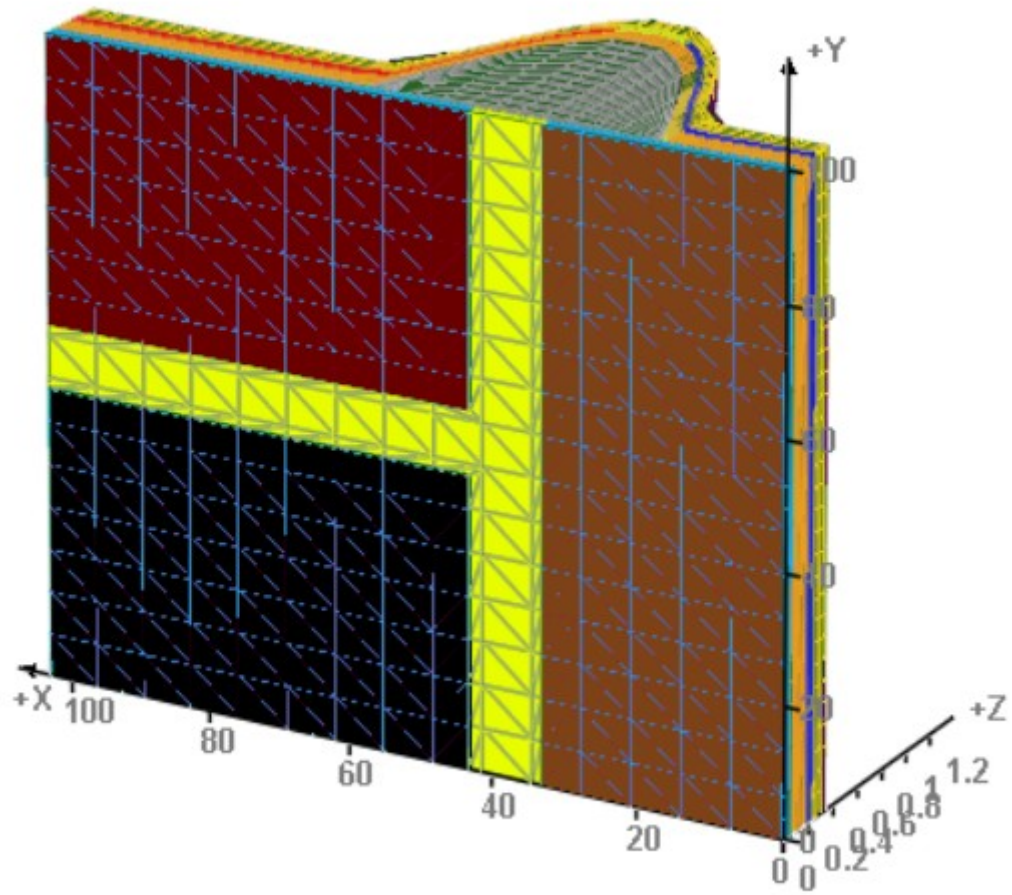
(a)









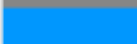





(b)

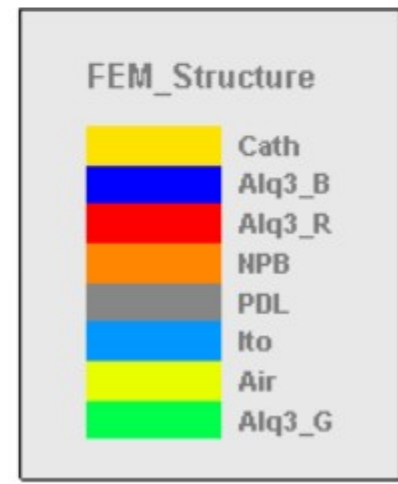
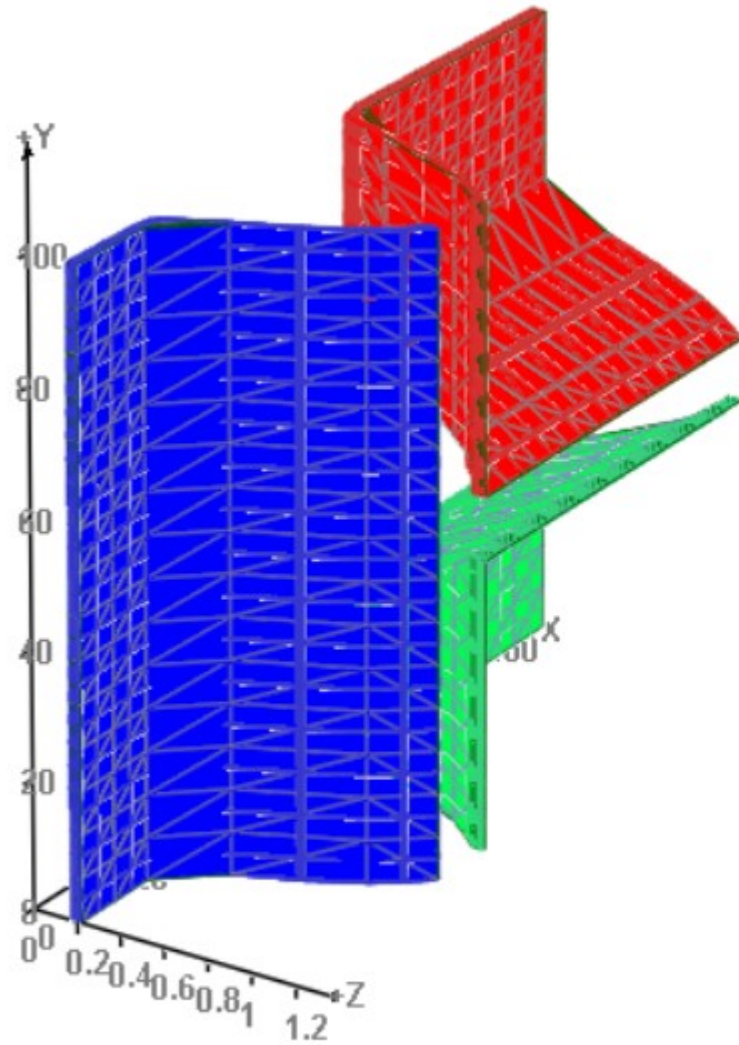


**Layer 0: TCAD area**  
**Layer 1/11: blue-flat/above e-PDL**  
**Layer 2/21: green-flat/above e-PDL**  
**Layer 3/31: red-flat/above -DPL**



FEM_Structure	
	Contact 4
	Contact 3
	Contact 2
	Contact 1
	Cath
	Alq3_B
	Alq3_R
	NPB
	PDL
	Ito
	Air
	Alq3_G



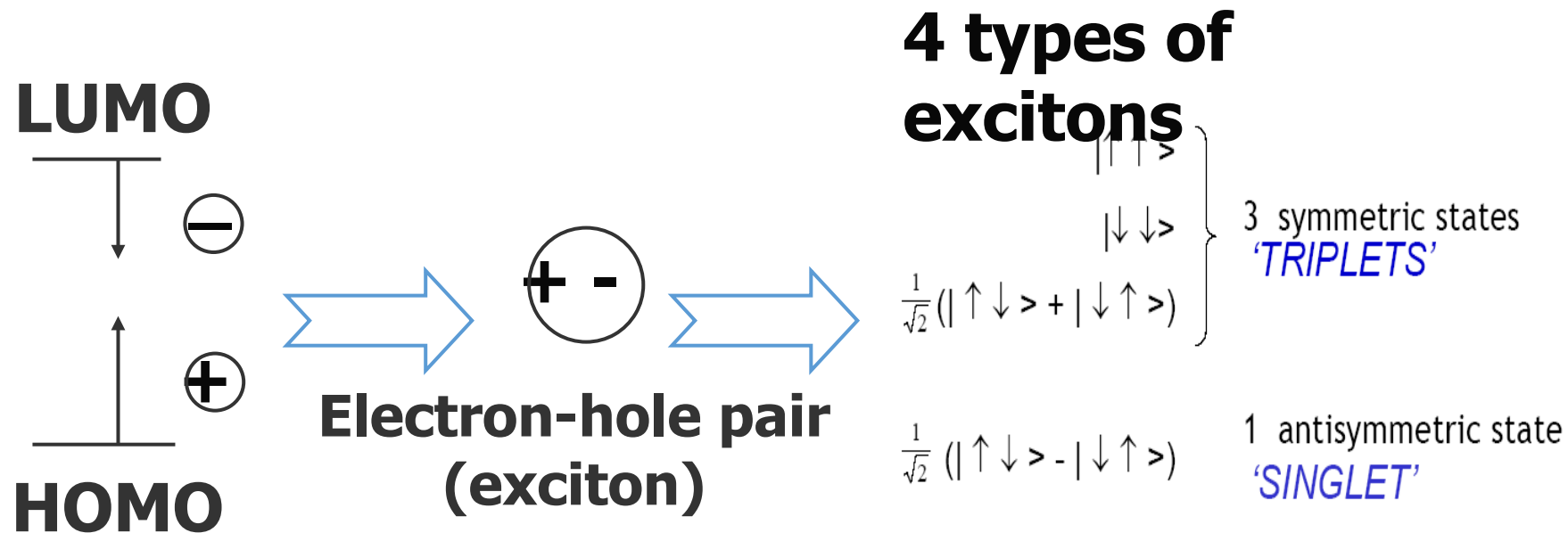




**TCAD project 1: Bias the blue to 5V and ground all others.**

**Use of singlet diffusion to study how emitting exciton singlets diffuse to neighboring cells and cause undesired emission or interference.**

## Formation of singlet and triplet excitons



- ✓ **Singlets may recombine to emit light**
- ✓ **Triplets are normally wasted unless harvested by phosphorescent dopants**

## Our model

### Basic exciton diffusion equations for both singlet and triplets [1]:

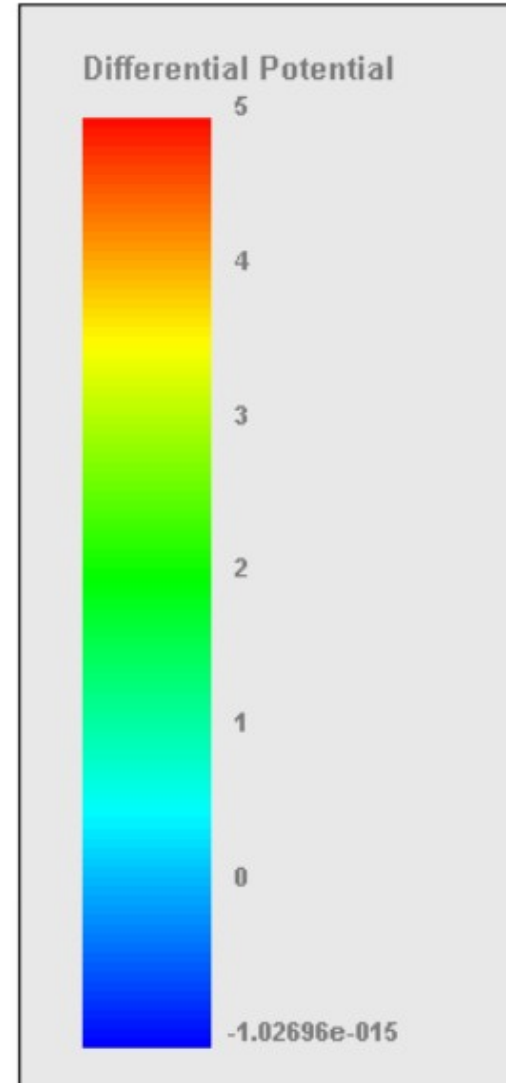
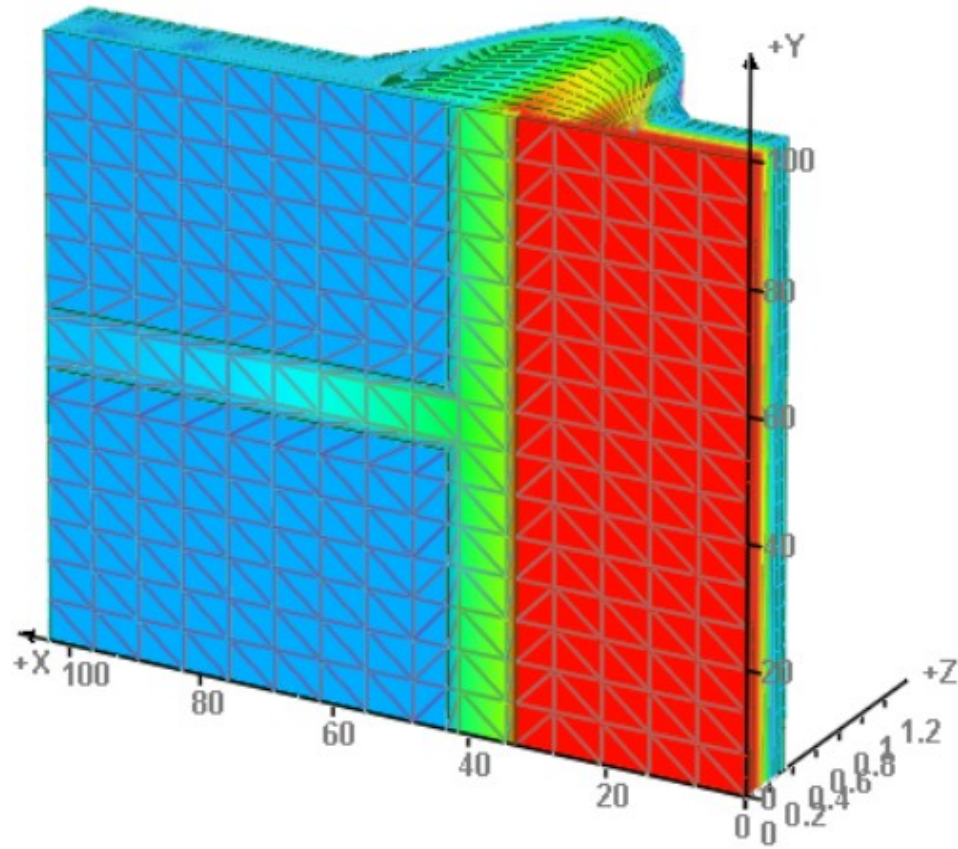
$$\frac{\partial S(x)}{\partial t} = \gamma \cdot r(x) \cdot n(x) \cdot p(x) + D_S \cdot \frac{\partial^2 S(x)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{S(x)}{\tau}$$

— quenching\_terms

### Exciton quenching may include bulk/interface quenching and triplet-triplet biexciton quenching [2]

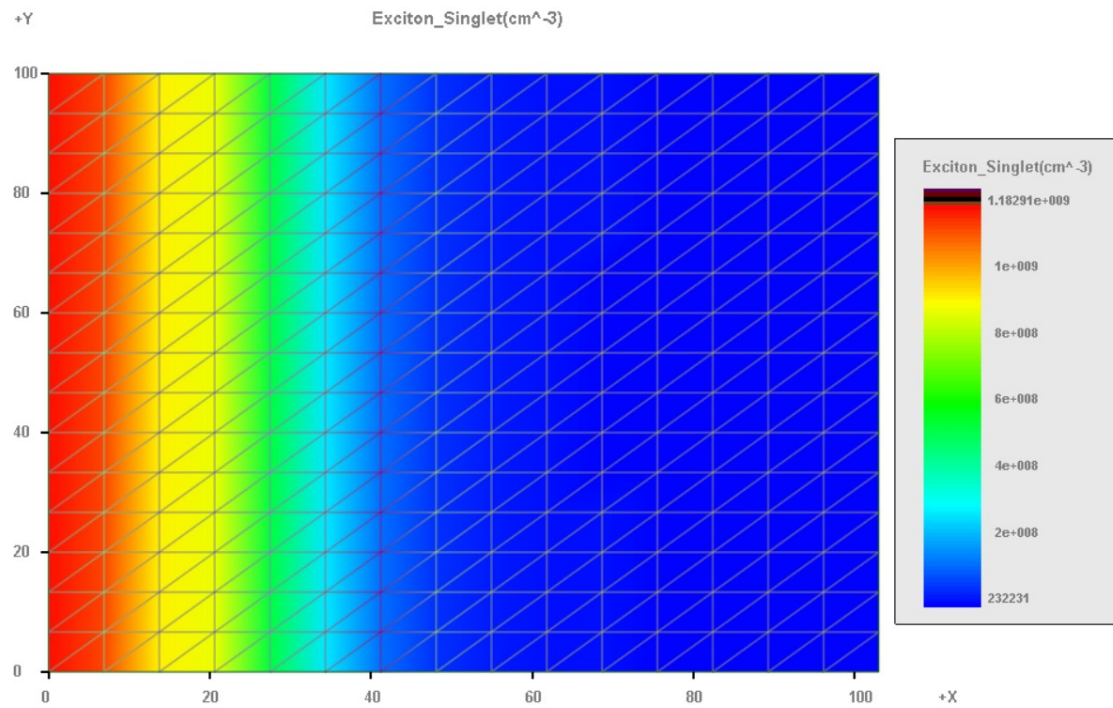
[1] B. Ruhstaller, et.al., "Simulating Electronic and Optical Processes in Multilayer Organic Light-Emitting Devices," IEEE J. SEL. TOPICS IN QUANTUM ELECTRONICS, VOL. 9, 2003, p. 723.

[2] M. A. BALDO, et.al., "Transient analysis of organic electrophosphorescence. II. Transient analysis of triplet-triplet annihilation," p. 10 967 PRB vol. 62, 2000

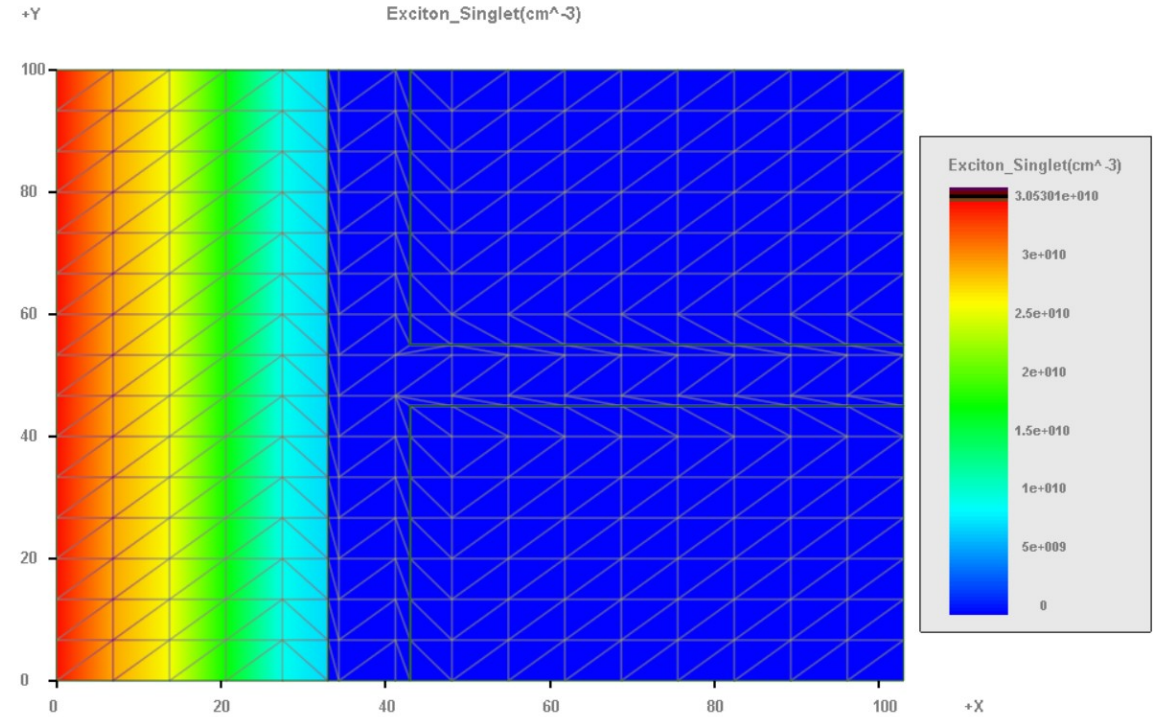


## Singlet exciton lateral diffusion profiles

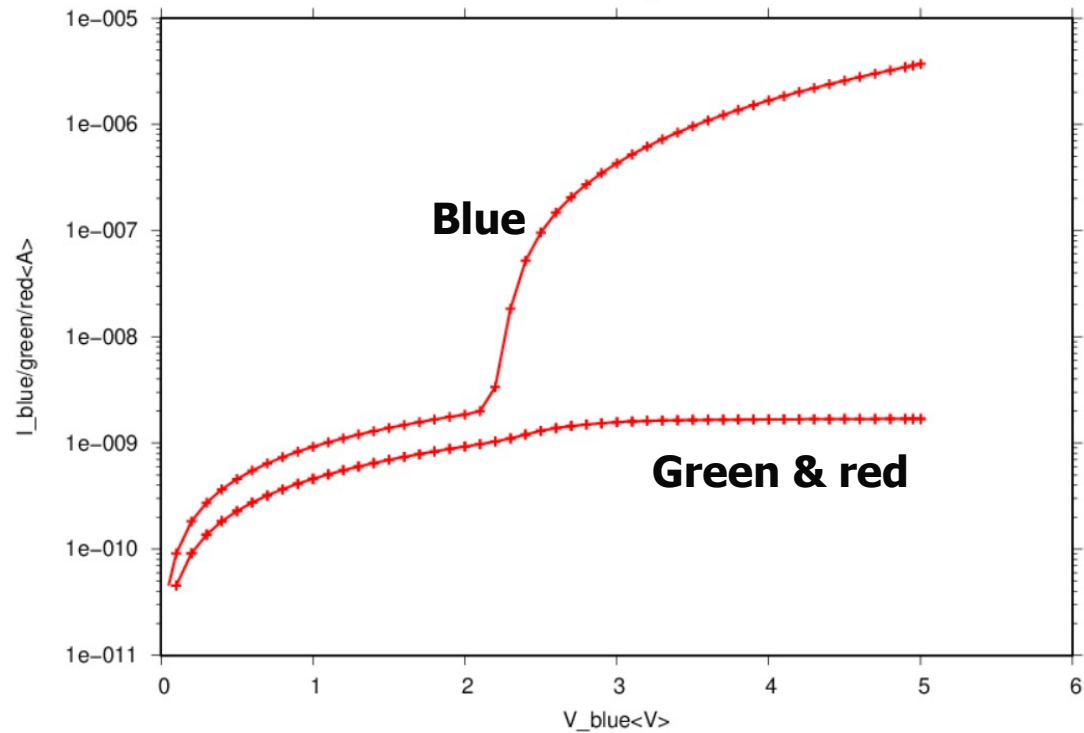
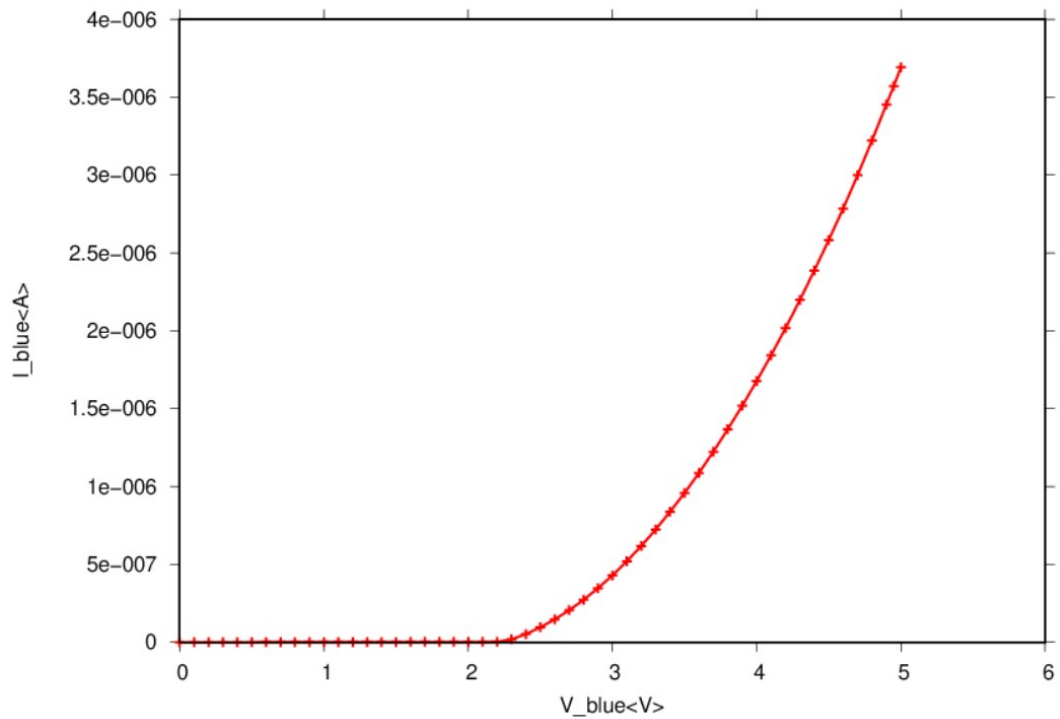
### At common HTL layer



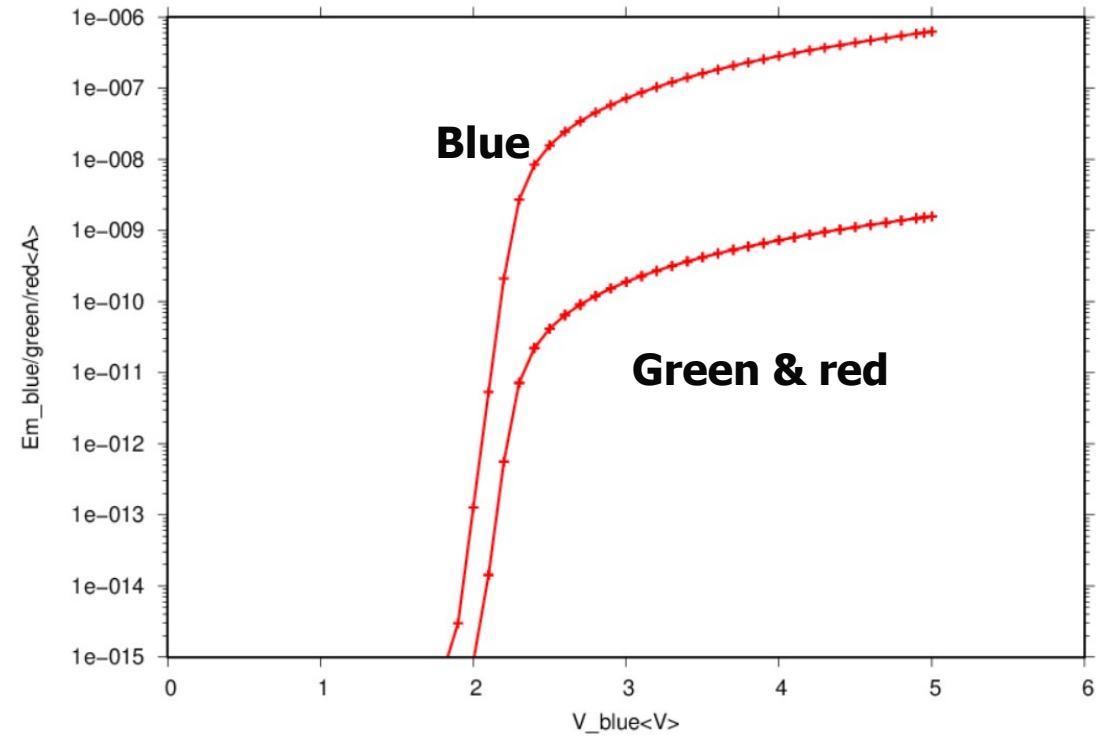
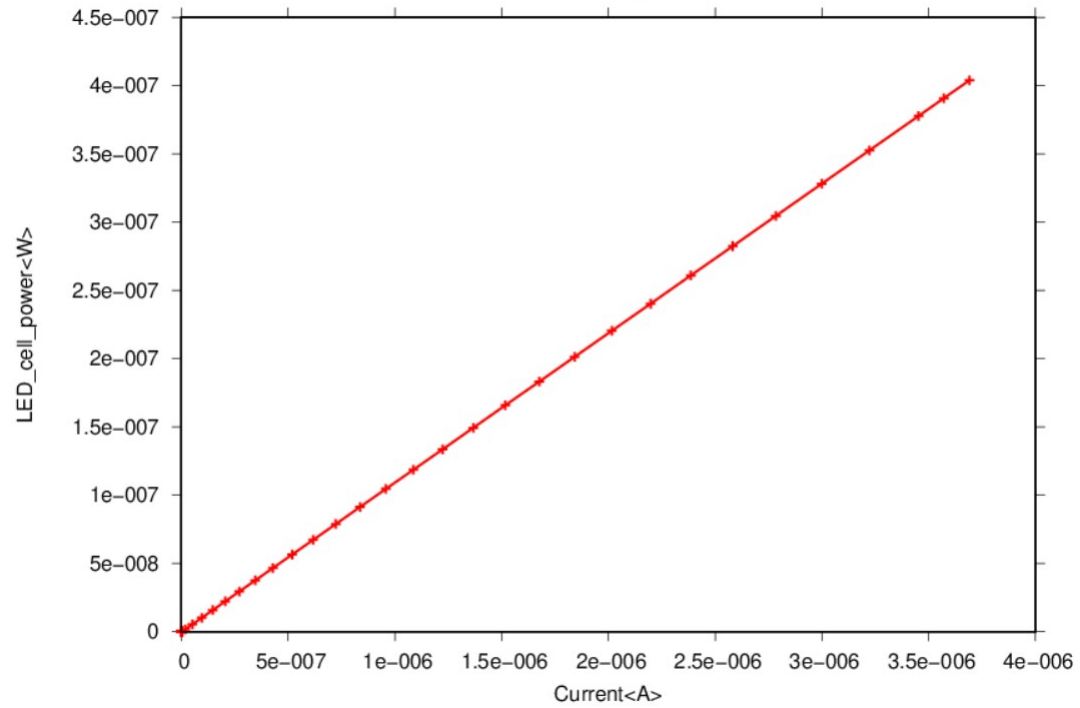
### At isolated ETL layer



# Current crosstalk between pixels



## Exciton emission interference between pixels due to lateral diffusion effects





# Summary

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- Crosslight Software offers accurate simulation solution based on quantum physics
- Robust convergence and numerical efficiency make Crosslight tools choice for R & D

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