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The combined concept of self-transformation and profit growth is gaining momentum in the NTT Group. Based on the B2B2X (business-to-business-to-X) model, the Group is pursuing collaboration with a wide variety of players while taking up important themes such as overcoming social problems and strengthening industrial competitiveness. We asked Hikomichi Shinohara, NTT Senior Executive Vice President, to tell us about the aspirations of the NTT Group for this year and the outlook toward 2020, which is only three years away.



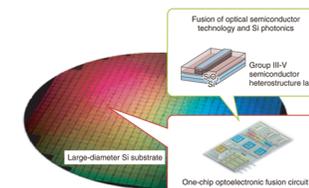
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On Si Platform Opens a New World in AI-IoT Service Era

▼Abstract

In the near future, ICT (information and communication technology) services are expected to achieve a dramatic evolution through the use of the cloud, IoT (Internet of Things), and AI (artificial intelligence). The communication devices necessary to realize this new era require high performance, high functionality, low cost, and low power consumption. A fusion of various technologies and know-how will be applied in order to meet these requirements. In this article, we explain the concept of an on Si platform, which expands upon silicon (Si) photonics, as one solution. We also show the direction of research and development (R&D) of various elemental technologies and describe the R&D fabrication process to realize the on Si platform concept.



Regular Articles

Directional Remapping in Tactile Motion Perception

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This article introduces tactile illusions in which adaptation to one directional motion alters the direction of the following motion. We used this illusion to explore how the brain calculates tactile motion directions, which is an essential issue in creating tactile navigation systems.

