

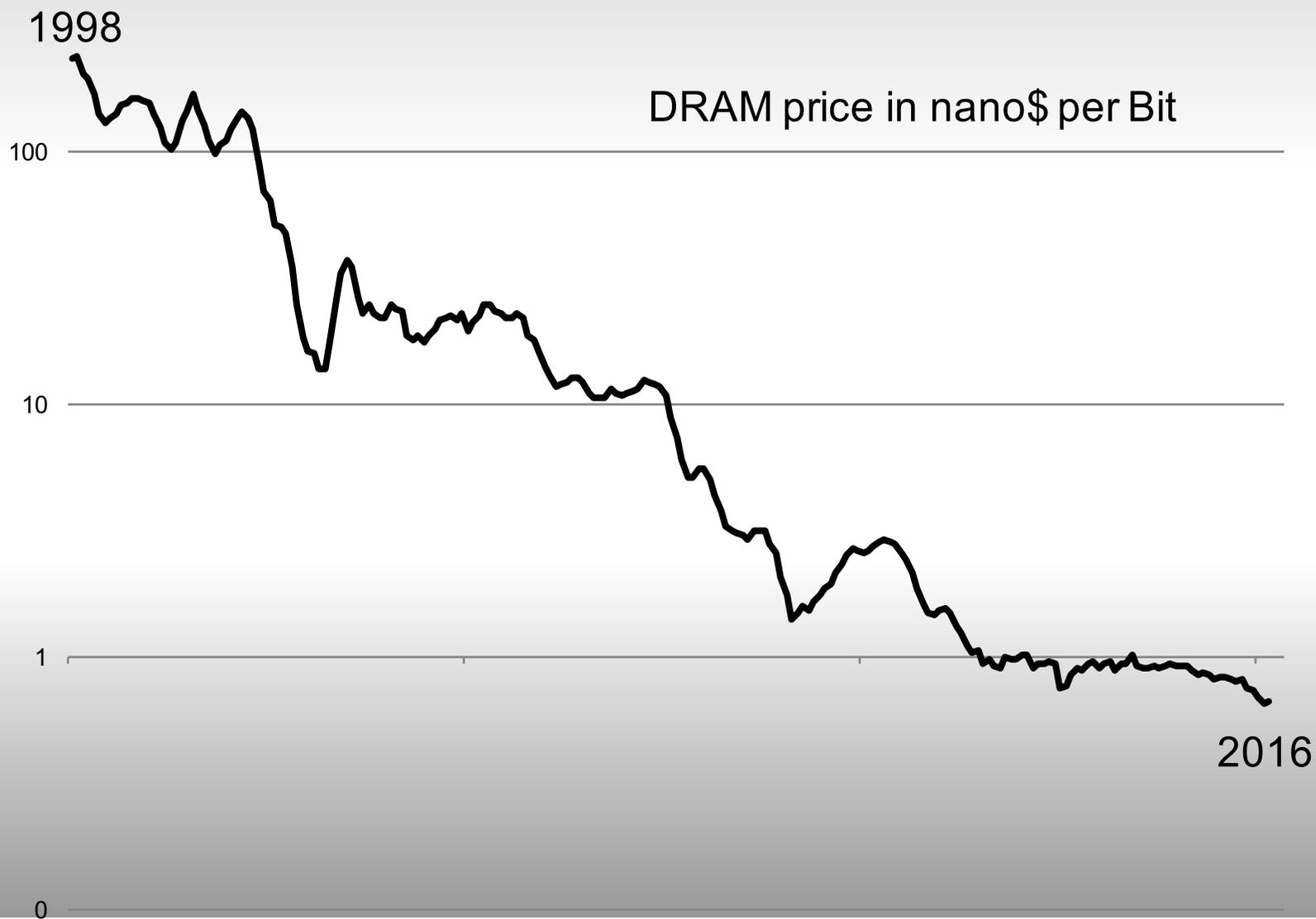


Quartalsanlass: **Innovation macht's möglich**

INFICON: Führt «Speed im Vakuum» zu  
Effizienzsteigerung in der Halbleiterindustrie?

Christian Berg, INFICON AG, Balzers (FL)

# Moore's law



# Semiconductor Industry is built on



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## Stripe High-Speed Capacitance Diaphragm Gauge

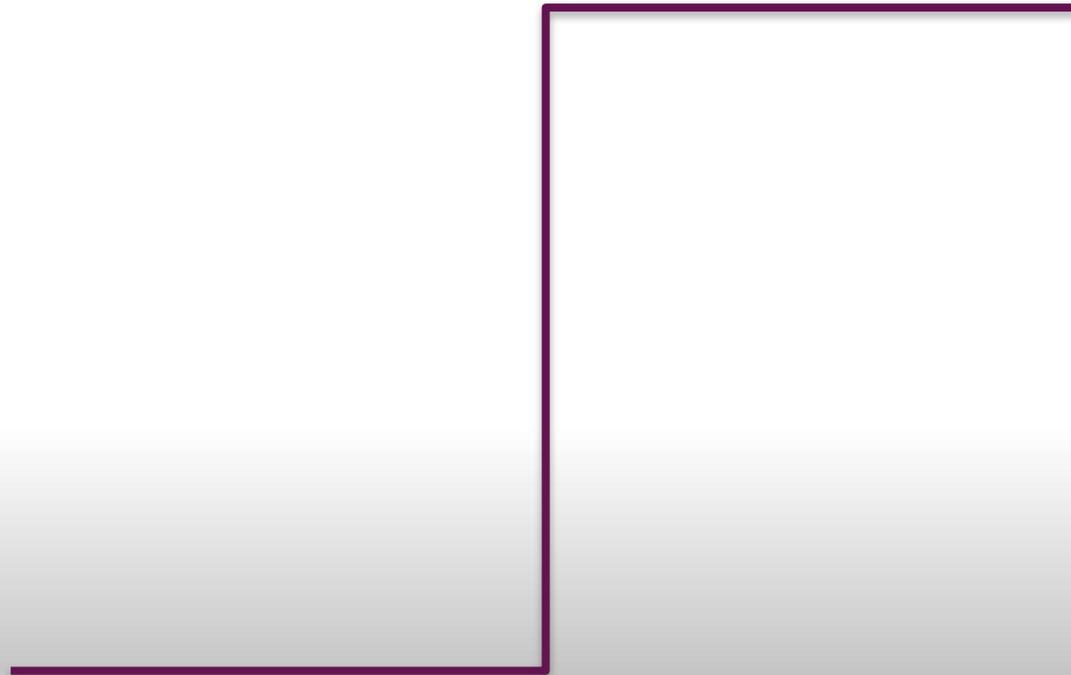
Fast Accurate Vacuum Gauge



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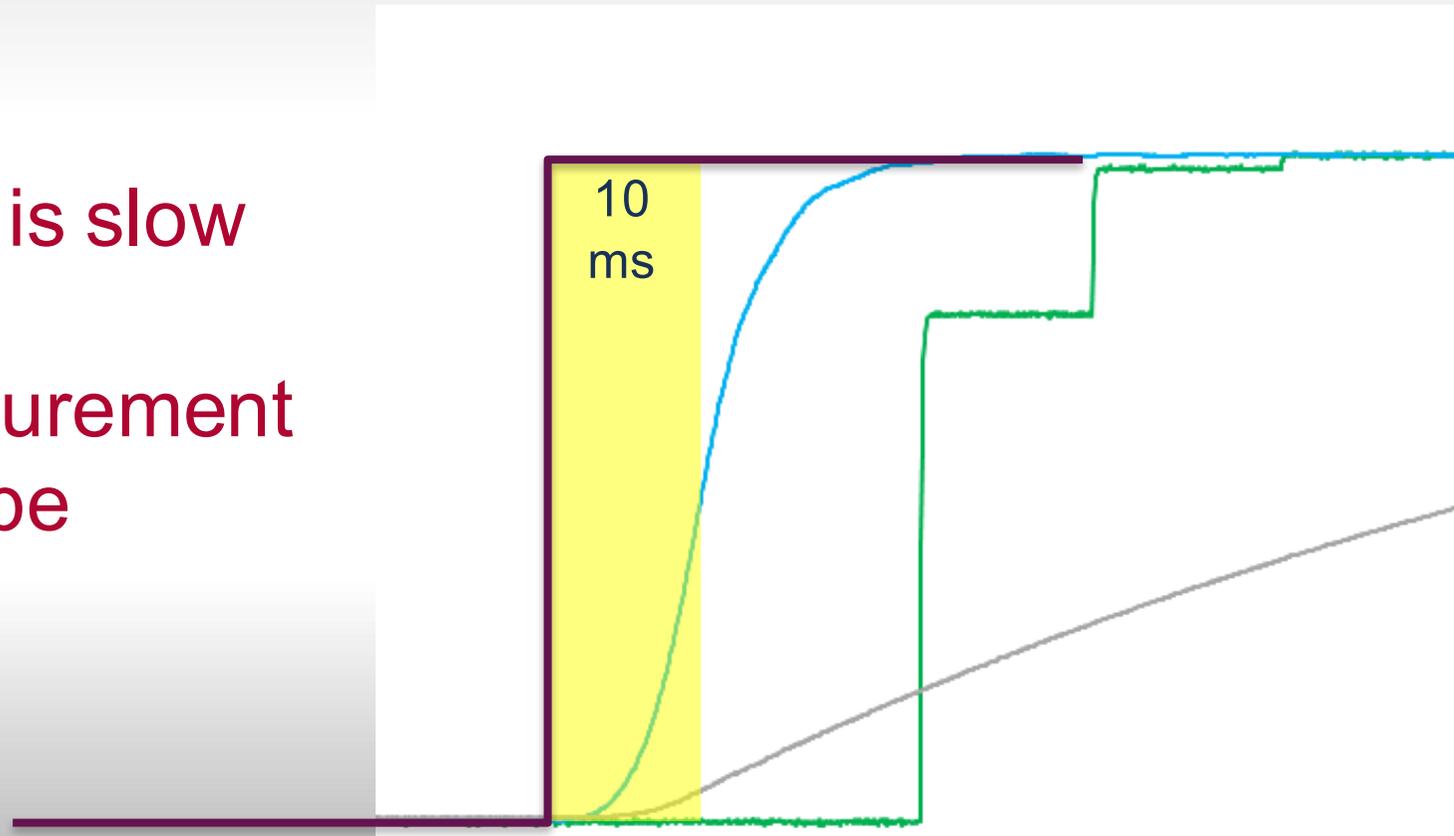
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Vacuum is slow

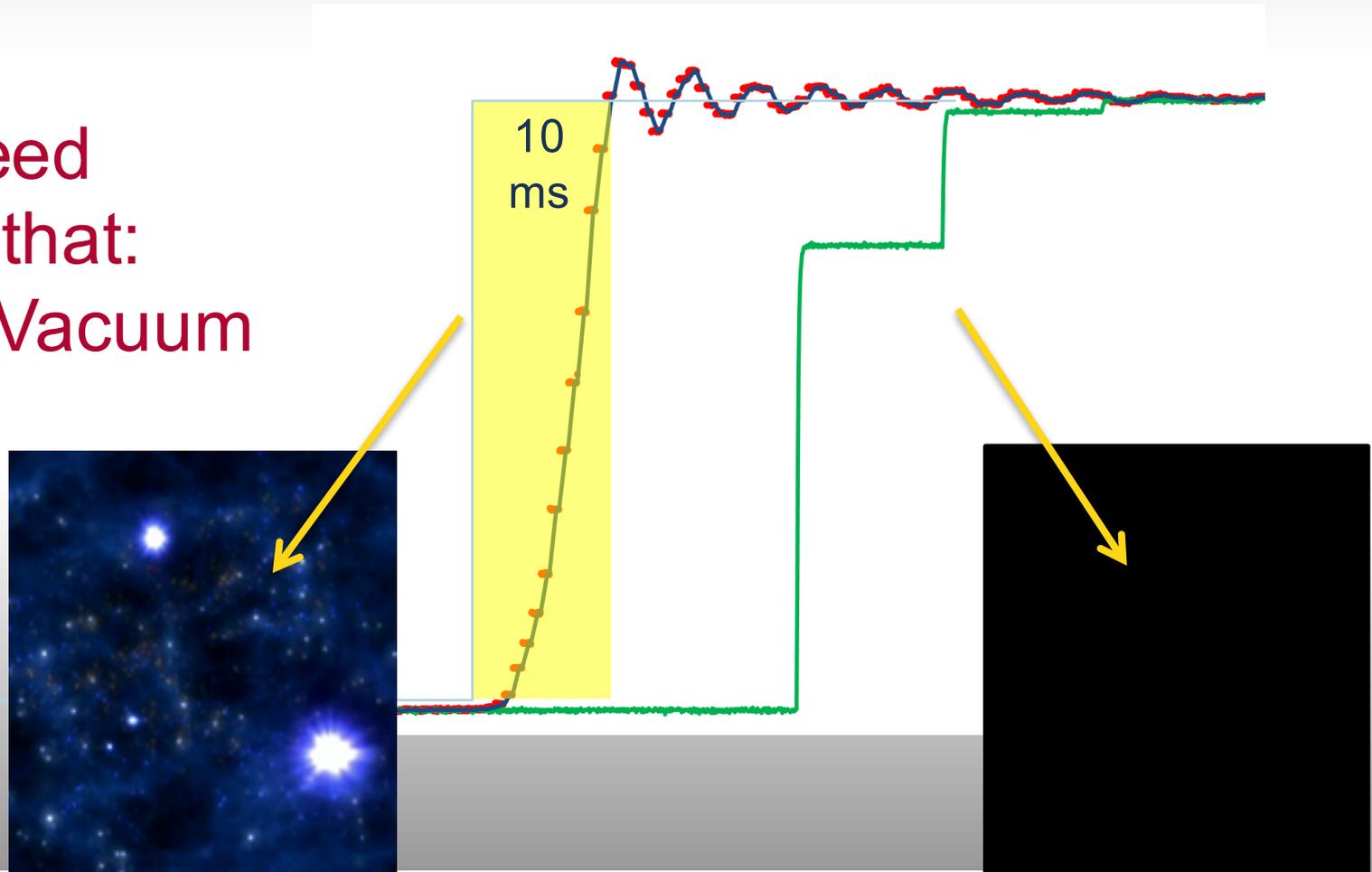
... measurement  
used to be  
slower



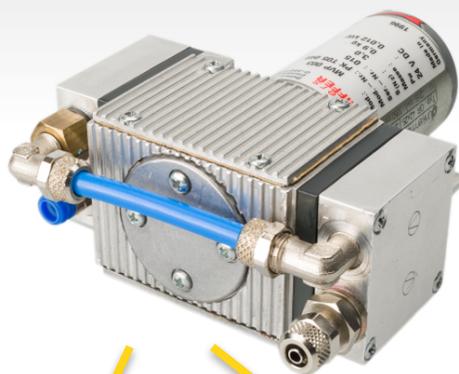
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High-Speed  
changed that:  
→ “See” Vacuum



# “See” vacuum

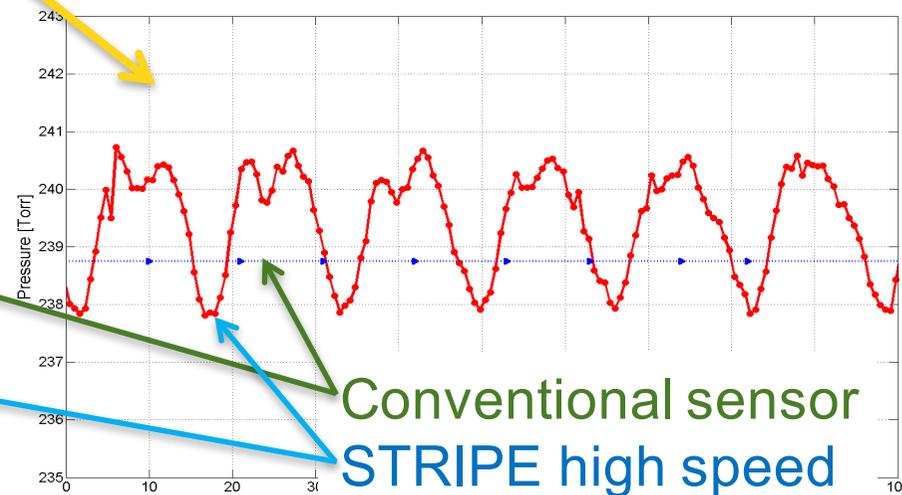
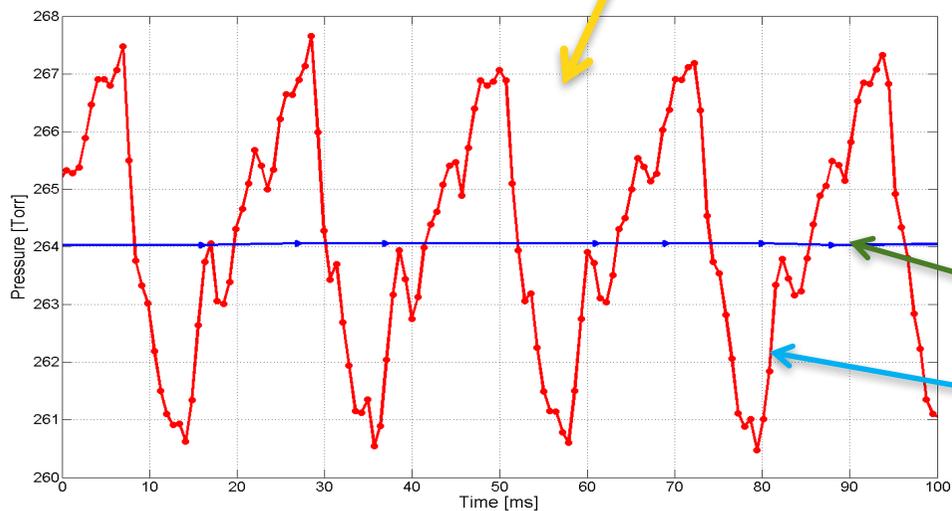


Example:  
Membrane Pump

Pumping “signature”

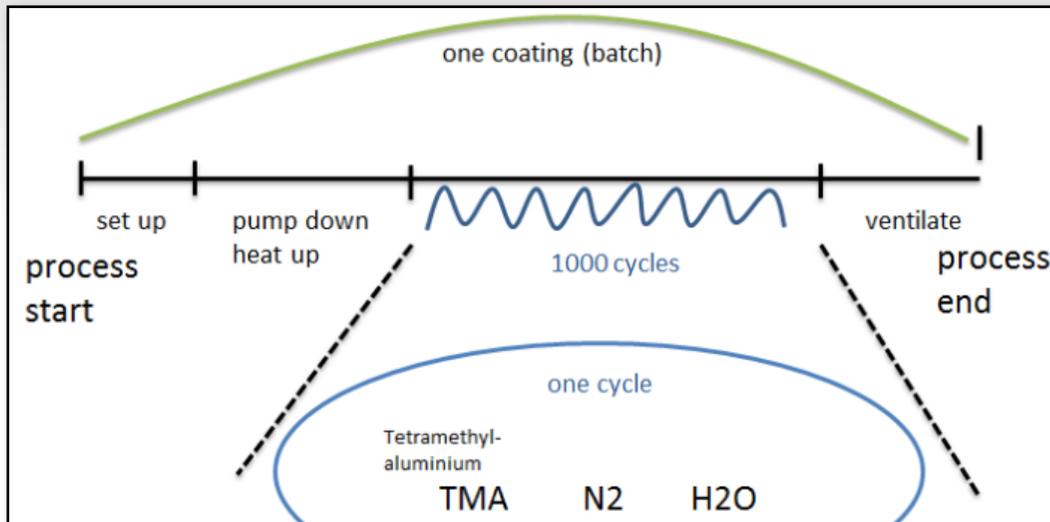
new

used

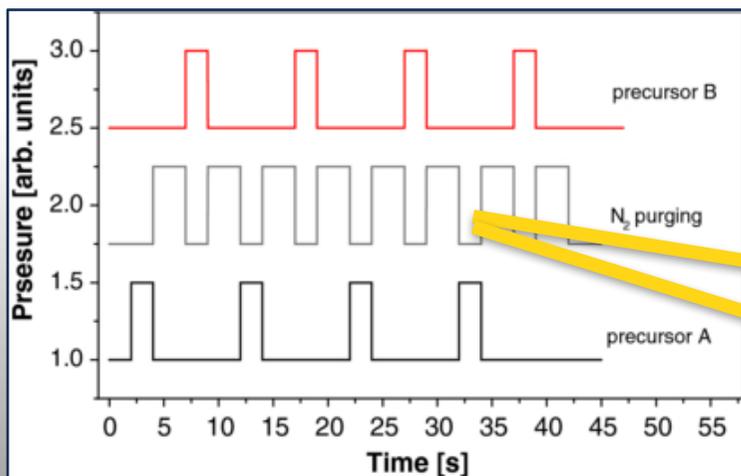


Conventional sensor  
STRIFE high speed

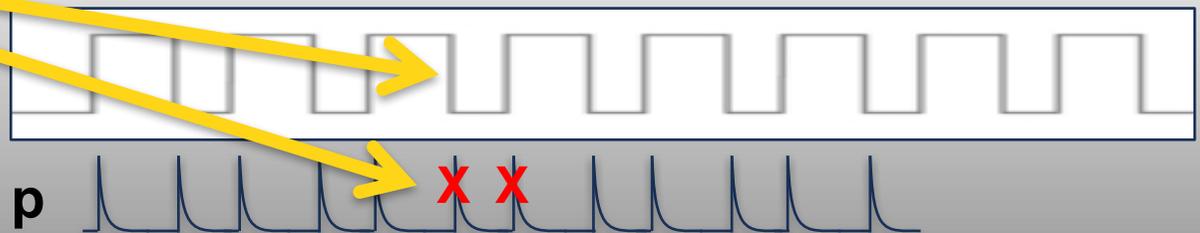
# “See” vacuum



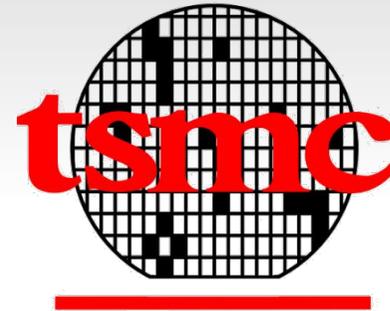
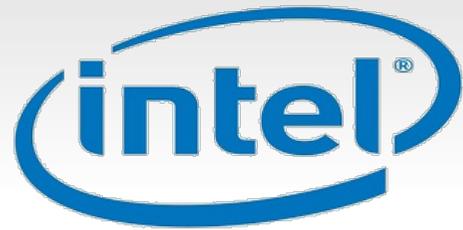
Example:  
Atomic Layer  
Deposition (ALD)



1 cycle = 1 Å = 0.1nm



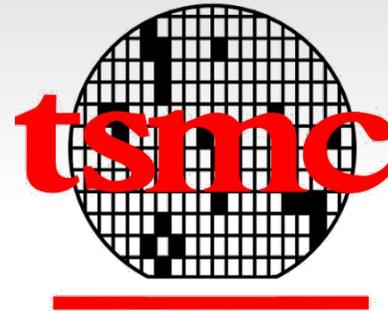
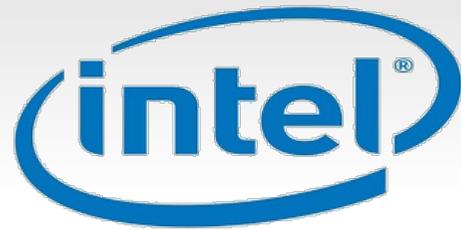
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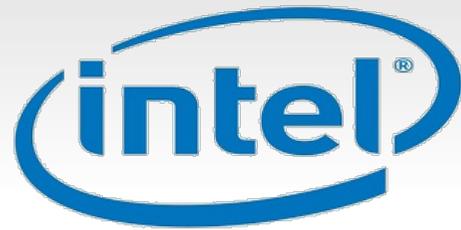
2.

# Semiconductor Industry



- 50 B\$ annual CapEx in production tools
- One 300mm fab 1.5 - 2 B\$
- 7x24 operation
- **CapEx Burn rate 0.5 - 0.75 M\$ / day / fab**

# Semiconductor Industry



- One unscheduled stop every 3<sup>rd</sup> year
- Causes 150-200 M\$ over lifetime for 65 fabs
- Mitigation 1 M\$ investment in high speed

**1 : 200**

# There is more ...

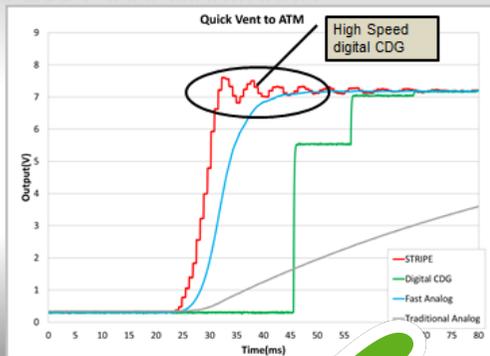


## Monitoring

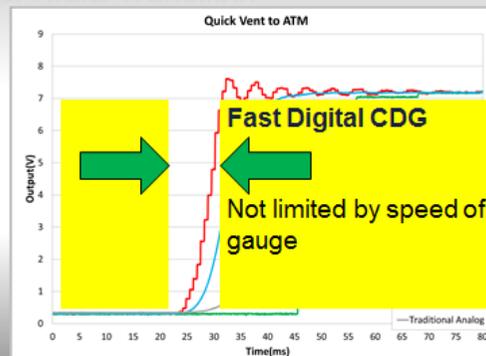
## TOOL SPEED

## PRECISION

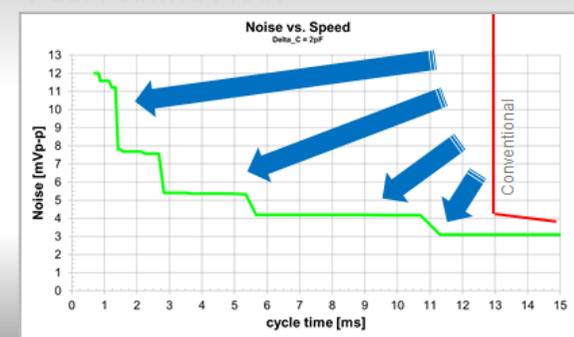
Process / Tool Monitoring



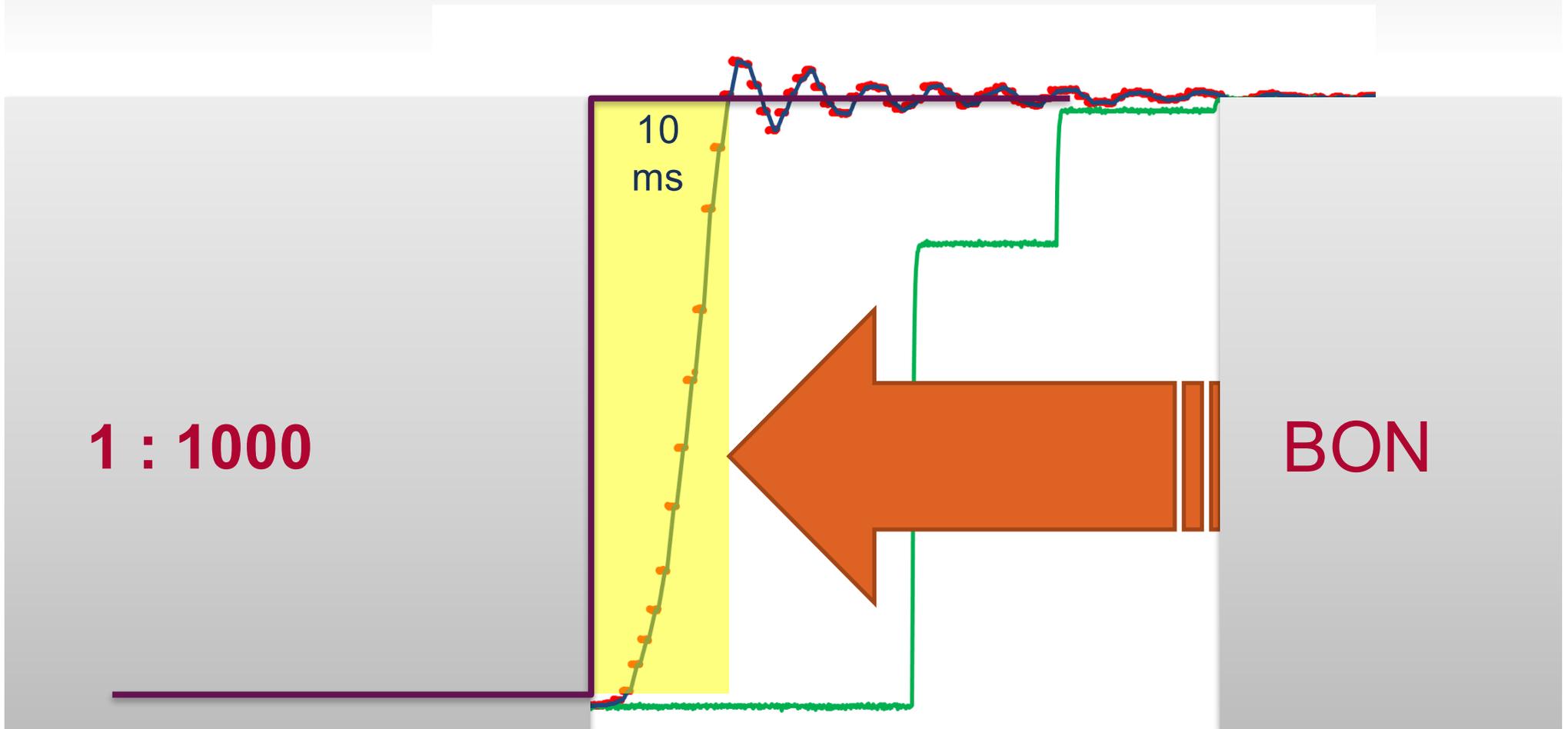
Fast State Transition



Fast Control Loop



# Tool Speed



1 : 1000

BON

# Precision

