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EUV Source for Lithography in HVM: performance and prospects



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NXE:3400E

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Outline



- EUV lithography in HVM
- Background and History
- EUV Lithography with NXE:3400B
- Principles of EUV Generation
- EUV Source: Architecture
- EUV Sources in the Field
- Source Power Outlook
- Summary

And it's here: we see EUV - enabled chips in 2019 EUV up and running in High Volume Manufacturing

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7nm EUV

Performance and efficiency reimagined

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Kirin 990 5G





TSMC's 5nm EUV Making Progress: PDK, DRM, EDA Tools, 3rd Party IP Ready

TSMC this week has said that that completed development of tools required for design of SoCs that are made using this 5 rm (CLNSFF, KS) fabrication toolcowlogy. The company indicated that some of its abha customers (which use oreproduction tools and custom designs) had already stand risk methods.

Samsung Completes Development of Snm EUV Process Technology

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TSMC Reveals 6 nm Process Technology: 7 nm with Higher Transistor Density

TSMC: First 7nm EUV Chips Taped Out,

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TSMC disclosed plans to start risk production of 5.

concerning its progress with extreme ultraviolei. Ithography

(EUML). First up, the company has successfully taped out les

list customer chip asing its second generation 7 nm process inchrology, which incorporates limited PUVL usage. Secondy,

5nm Risk Production in Q2 2019

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production of chois using its 7LPP manufacturing technology that uses oxinemic ultravidit lithingraphy (TUVI) for select layers. The rever fabrication process will enable Samsung to significantly increase transistor density of chips while optimizing their power consamption. Furthermore, usage of EUVL.

Samsung Starts Mass Production of Chips Using Its 7nm EUV Process Tech

HUAWEI Kirin 990 Series' Rethink Evolution

World's 1st Flagship 5G SoC powered with 7nm+ EUV





Advantages of EUVL : Samsung Infographic

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What is EUV and Its Advantages?

01 The Changes of Semiconductor Exposure Light Source



02 What is EUV?

The EUV system, which utilizes extreme ultravidet technology, can perform photolihography process by using a light source with EUV wavelength. In the world of chip manufacturing, realizing finar circuits i valua is a teables integration of more components inside a chip, which heips build those with higher power and nergy efficiency. Upcoming EUV scalarows will utilize EUV relations at a 135 mm wavelength, less than I/14 of what



03 The Advantages of Using EUV

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7nm ArF

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3. Reduced mask layers

Samsung X7 UP process can reduce the total number of masks by about 20% compared to non-EUV process, enabling customers to save time and cost.

D4 EUV Leader

As an EUV pionese, sumsung has started its initial EUV production at S3 fab in Hwaseong Korea. By 2020, Samsung expension to have an EUV-dedicated line for customers needing high-volume manufacturing of their next, perfation chip designs.



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https://news.samsung.com/global/infographic-euv-samsungs-latest-investment-on-developing-next-generation-semiconductor-products

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Area Efficiency Performance

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Why EUV? - Resolution in Optical Lithography

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Critical Dimension: $CD = k_1 \times \frac{\lambda}{NA}$

Depth of focus: $DOF = k_2 \times \frac{\lambda}{NA^2}$

k: process parameter NA: numerical aperture λ: wavelength of light KrF-Laser: 248nm ArF-Laser: 193 nm

ArF-Laser (immersion): 193 nm EUV sources: 13.5 nm



theoretical limit (air): NA=1 practical limit: NA=0.9 theoretical limit (immersion):NA \approx n (~1.7)

 k_1 is process parametertraditionally:>0.75typically:0.3 - 0.4theoretical limit:0.25

EUV development has progressed over 30 years from NGL to HVM insertion

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EUV is being ramped up quickly now



NXE:3400B installed base stands at 38 (per Q2 2019), cumulative EUV wafer capacity will approach 10⁸ wafers per year by 2020

Cumulative EUV wafer count

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Since Jan 2018, EUV systems have run more wafers (2.5M) than 2011-2017 combined

NXE productivity reached **170** wafers per hour On NXE:3400C in ASML factory



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ATP test: 26x33mm², 96 fields, 20mJ/cm²

NXE:3400B: 13 nm resolution at full productivity Supporting 5 nm logic, <15nm DRAM requirements



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*PFR = pupil fill ratio

NXE: 3400C improvements with higher productivity Demonstrated in ASML factory, shipping to the customers

Optics

Transmission improvement



control**

Source with Modular Vessel

Reticle Handler Improved productivity

OFP:3400B (standard)

ORION

UV-LS 2nd Gen

Wafer Handler @ ≥170WPH

Faster Reticle Align / reduced wafer overhead

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World class overlay performance now at 170wph on NXE:3400C systems



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EUV Reticle frontside protection options



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Reticle





Clean system (without pellicle)

Reticle with pellicle



EUV Reticle (13.5nm)



Clean Scanner

Reticle front-side defectivity ~1/10k



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Each data point represents between 1,000 and 10,000 wafer exposures in ASML factory or at a customer

Pellicles robust to at least 10k wafers at 250W

No measurable degradation after 3k



Pellicle #3 pre/post EUVT delta at 300, 3k, 6k and 10k wafers

NXE:3400B @ 250W, 96 fields per wafer, 50mJ/cm2 sensor based, 35mJ/cm2 in resist Pellicle #1 0-3k wafers, Pellicle #2 0-6k wafers, Pellicle #3 0-10k wafers, all latest version Mk2.2.

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EUV pellicle industrialization

first 88% transmissive pellicle film available mid 2020



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Pellicle Film as of 2018

EUV Transmission at 83%



83% transmission Target 90%

Next generation Pellicle EUV Transmission at 88%



88% transmission

Scaling drives multiple patterning performance Driven by Edge Placement Error and increasing local CD and placement



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CD: Critical Dimension, OPC: Mask Optical Proximity Correction



Source: 'Progress in EUV resists towards high-NA EUV lithography', Xiaolong Wang et al. (PSI), SPIE 2019

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Performance of NXE:3400B in the Field



250W EUV power, Source availability >85% Customers have started HVM

Dose performance



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- (left) 250W EUV power meeting dose stability requirements
- (right) >85% Source Availability over 13 weeks at customers, ۲ without configuration repair / upgrades

EUV Source operation at 250W with 99.90% fields meeting dose spec



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Dose Performance and Slit uniformity show stable results ASML Supporting requirements for 5 nm node CD control







TWINSCAN EUV Product Roadmap

Supporting customer roadmaps well into the next decade



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EUV

scanner

EUV 0.33 NA

EUV 0.33 platform will be extended to provide state of the art overlay and node to node productivity improvements

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2025
EUV 0.33 NA	NXE:3350B 4.0 125wph	NXE:340 3.0nm 12	0 B 5wph 2.9	VL TPut 5nm 155	NXE:3400C 2.5nm 170wp	oh	NXE Next <1.5nm ≥ 185	wph	
0.55 NA 8nm								EX 1.7	(E:5000 (nm 185wph

S2: source S3 Intro: S3 for NXE:3400C S3 (Now) **EUV Source Next** Up to 250 W (at power to >250 W, Power scaling for throughput, dose EUV source 125W Modular vessel, and stability improvements, further 155 wph) + gas,power to source 200W availability to ~95% step in availability. water, electrical simplification Source horizontal to support EXE5000.

Deliver continuation of shrink roadmap: EXE platform In the same way that 0.33NA enables 7nm and 5nm Logic, 0.55NA EUV will be needed to enable 3nm Logic





High-NA Field and Mask Size productivity Throughput >185wph with Half Fields



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EUV: Principles of Generation

Laser Produced Plasma Density and Temperature





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Nishihara et al. (2008)





Tin Laser Produced Plasma Image

- 1. High power laser interacts with liquid tin producing a plasma.
- 2. Plasma is heated to high temperatures creating EUV radiation.
- 3. Radiation is collected and used to pattern wafers.

Modelled EUV CE of LPP Sn Plasma vs. Wavelength



Simulation Assumptions:

- 1D modeling
- Sn flat target (50um thickness)
- Laser Pulse: 10ns duration (rectangular)
- Uniform radial distribution of intensity in beam spot
- Prizm Computational Sciences, Inc., 2005

EUV CE defined into 2% bandwidth, 2π sr solid angle

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EUV Spectra of Laser Produced Sn Plasma

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Peak of EUV spectrum matches the MoSi multilayer reflectivity band at 13.5 nm

LPP Target Material and Laser Wavelength Options

High Efficiency is the Key to a Low Cost Architecture

	Xe	Sn	Li
Excimer (351nm)	-	0.5-1.0%	2.0-2.5%
Solid State (1064nm)	0.5-1.0%	2.0-2.5%	2.0-2.5%
СО ₂ (10.6µm)	0.5-1.0%	4.0-5.0%+ + Updated	1.0-1.5%* * Modeled Data

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 Best high efficiency options of laser/target combinations for future HVM sources

SEMATECH EUV Source Workshop, October 2006, Barcelona Spain

October 21, 2006

CO₂ Laser with Sn target was selected for industrialization in 2006

Plasma simulation capabilities Main-pulse modeling using HYDRA





Simulation of the EUV source

The plasma code's outputs were processed to produce synthetic source data. The comparison to experiments helps to validate the code and understand it's accuracy.







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EUV Source: Architecture and Operation Principles



EUV Lithography System Schematic



EUV System overview





Industrial high power CO₂ laser High beam quality for gain extraction and EUV generation



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NXE:3XY0 EUV Source: Main modules

Populated vacuum vessel with tin droplet generator and collector



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EUV Source: MOPA + Pre-Pulse Operation



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Droplet generation

Droplet Generator: principle of operation



Tin is loaded in a vessel & heated above melting point

- Pressure applied by an inert gas
- Tin flows through a filter prior to the nozzle
- Tin jet is modulated by mechanical vibrations





Droplets of different sizes can be generated





140 µm

50 µm

30 µm

16 μm



Droplet Generator: Principle of Operation

Large separation between the droplets by special modulation



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Multiple small droplets coalesce together to form larger droplets at larger separation distance

Forces on Droplets during EUV Generation



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Droplet deformations induced by LPP of previous pulses



High EUV power at high repetition rates drives requirements for higher speed droplets with large space between droplets

Lowest vibrational mode n=2

Droplet Generator: Principle of Operation Large separation between the droplets by special modulation



Tin droplets at 80 kHz and at different applied pressures. Images taken at a distance of 200 mm from the nozzle Public Slide 47

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Increase of droplet spacing

Larger separation between the droplets needed for higher pulse energies

Droplet Spacing vs Frequency vs Pressure 4.0 14 MPa 3.5 28 MPa Droplet-to-droplet distance, mm 0.0 5.7 0.5 0.1 0.0 42 MPa 56 MPa 70 MPa 84 MPa 140 MPa .5 0.5 0.0 40 50 80 30 60 70 90 100 110 120 Frequency, kHz

Droplet spacing of 1.5 mm demonstrated at 80 kHz

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Droplet generator history Improvements in performance and availability



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EUV Collection Debris management

Collector Protection by Hydrogen Flow





EUV Collector: Normal Incidence



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- Ellipsoidal design
 - Plasma at first focus
 - Power delivered to exposure tool at second focus (intermediate focus)
- Wavelength matching across the entire collection area



Normal Incidence Graded Multilayer Coated Collector

Hydrogen gas central to tin management strategy

Requirements for buffer gas:

Stopping fast ions (with high

EUV transparency)

- > Heat transport
- > Sn etching capability







Hydrogen performs well for all these tasks!



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Debris in the tin LPP EUV source





Primary debris – directly from plasma and before collision with any surface:

- Heat and momentum transfer into surrounding gas
 - Kinetic energy and momentum of stopped ions
 - o Absorbed plasma radiation
- Sn flux onto collector
 - o Diffusion of stopped ions
 - o Sn vapor
 - o Sn micro-particles

3D measurement of fast tin ion distributions Faraday cups measure tin ion distributions

target

plane

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Ion measurements inform H₂ flow requirements for source

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Measurement of fast tin ion and radiation distributions Multiple sensors on a rotating frame

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Sensors

- Faraday Cups: ion energy and charge distributions
- CO₂ PEMs: scattered infrared radiation
- EUV PDs: EUV emission and anisotropy

Applications

- Input to Plasma-Gas Interaction / Computational Fluid Dynamics model
- Evaluation of collector protection capability
- Improvement of Conversion Efficiency



Tin ion distributions

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Data are used for optimization of H_2 flow in the source



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EUV Source improvements

EUV Source: Changes to Vessel in 2019

Introduction of modularity enables faster service and lower downtime

Current vessel

Modular vessel (EUV source for 3400C)





1: Collector swap door

- 2: Vessel service door
- 3: Metrology directly on vessel, fast EUV recovery
- 4. Continuous tin supply droplet generator
- 5. Eliminate manual laser beam adjustment



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NXE:3400C improves serviceability and reduces maintenance time with new vessel

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MTTR includes total time for diagnostics, access, part replacement and system recovery (green to green)

Collector lifetime improvements 4x reduction in collector degradation at 3x higher power

Normalized average collector reflectivity

Reduced EUV collector degradation and swap times leading to higher productivity and availability

Far Field EUV intensity (image of the collector)



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Improved debris mitigation At 250 watt of EUV power

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Data from the EUV source development system



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EUV Source Power Outlook



Operation Parameters		
Repetition Rate	50kHz	
MP power on droplet	21.5kW	
Conversion Efficiency	6.0%	
Collector Reflectivity	41%	
Dose Margin	10%	
EUV Power	250 W	

Increase average and peak laser power Enhanced isolation technology

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Advanced target formation technology

Improved dose-control technique

>250W is now demonstrated, Shipping started in the end of 2017 500W in-burst EUV power demonstration Demonstrated on the development system at 80 kHz

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600 500 0 Dose Controlled EUV Power (watt) 00 00 00 3100 NOMO О 3300 MOPA+PP 0 3400 MOPA+PP Open Loop Power (research) Ο 0 100 00 Λ 2014 2016 2018 2020 2008 2010 2012 Year

EUV source power and key technology steps

Historical trend: ~ *two years from demonstration in research to a product*

EUV pulse energy histograms



Open loop, 15 ms Bursts, 80 kHz, 3% duty cycle On the development system

Increase of CO₂ laser power

High beam quality for gain extraction and EUV generation

Roadmap for future EUV scaling

Power scaling via an additional power amplifier, Frantz-Nodvik simulations



Key technologies:

1. Pulsed drive laser with high average power capability

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- 2. Gain distribution inside amplification chain
- 3. Isolation between amplifiers
- 4. Metrology, control, and automation

Source: Beam Quality of Higher Power Lasers- EUVL 2018 Trumpf

Summary



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EUV chips have made it to the end market!

Our customers are ramping up EUV for the 7nm Logic node and preparing for the 16nm DRAM node with systems deliveries and qualification on-going. EUV layers adoption continues to grow to reduce patterning complexity and cost

ASML EUV lithography systems continue to improve on productivity and availability supporting our Logic and DRAM customers roadmap while maintaining, state of the art overlay performance and year on year cost reduction

- Dose-controlled power of 250W on multiple tools at customers
- Droplet Generator with improved lifetime and reliability >700 hour average runtime in the field>3X reduction of maintenance time
 - Collector lifetime improved to > 100Gp (4X at 3X higher power)

Availability improvements are well underway to meet our customers requirements, with the NXE:3400C supporting >90% availability

Path towards 500W EUV demonstrated in research

- EUV CE is up to ~ 6 %
- In burst EUV power demonstration up to 500W
- CO₂ Laser development supports EUV power scaling

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