

# TOWARD A FLIP-CHIP BONDER DEDICATED TO DIRECT BONDING FOR PRODUCTION ENVIRONMENT

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# Introduction

## Fine Pitch and High Throughput

- Challenges of microbumps technology
  - Undercut
  - Microbridging
- Assets of Direct Bonding
  - Short process time
  - Bonding (and alignment) at room temperature
  - Low force

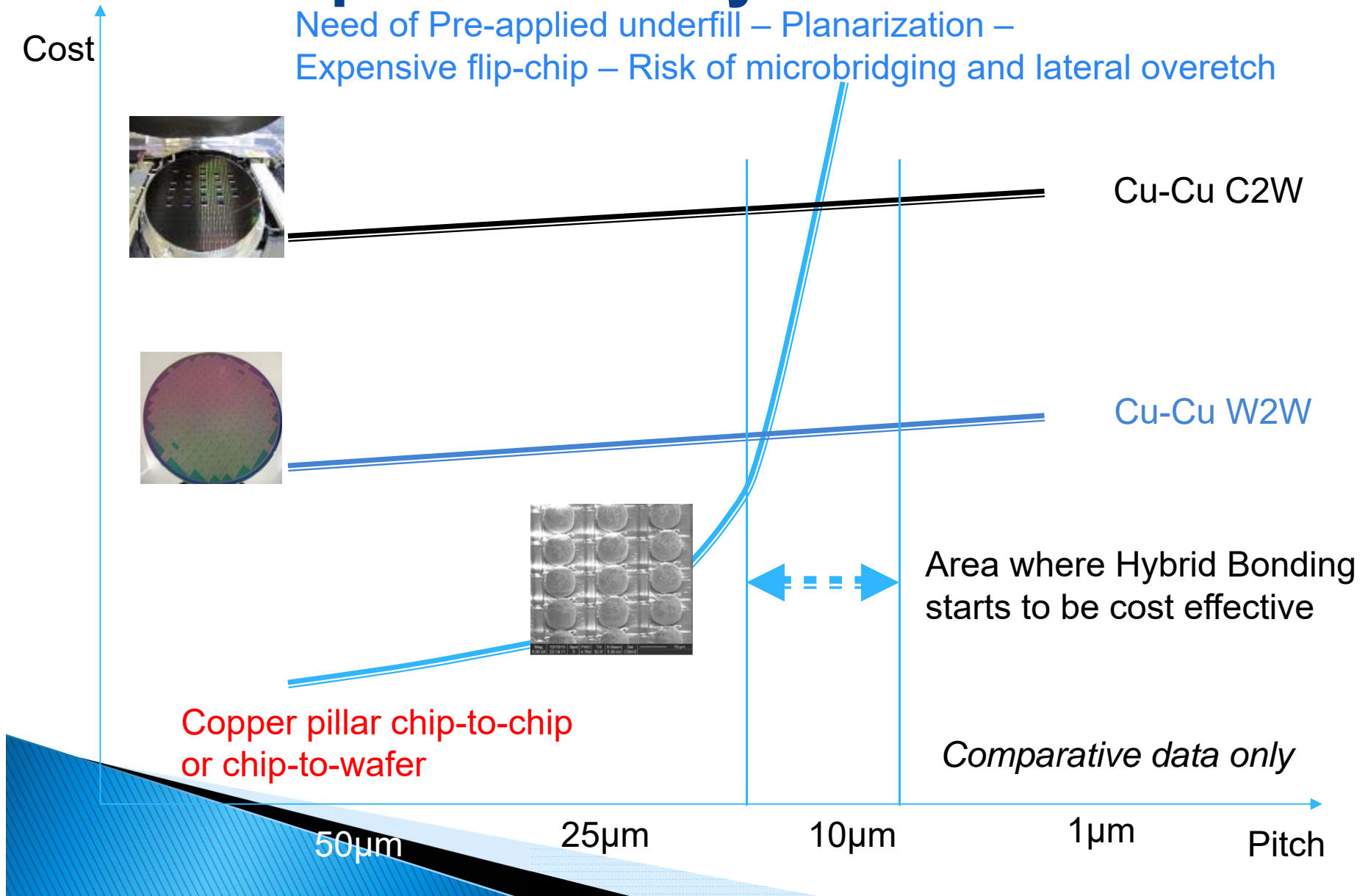
## D2W vs W2W

- Good yield (KGD)
- Heterogeneity of dies (type, size, thickness...)
- Challenge of cleanliness



# Fine pitch comparison process only - Trend

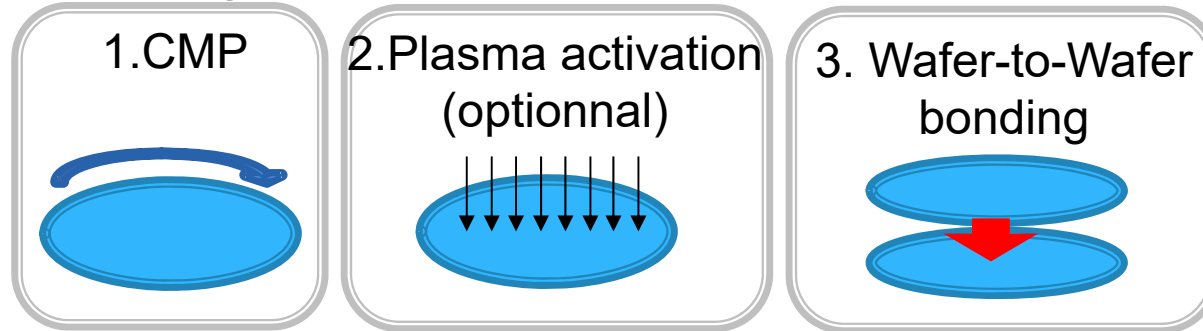
Need of Pre-applied underfill – Planarization –  
Expensive flip-chip – Risk of microbridging and lateral overetch



# Die-to-Wafer direct bonding process

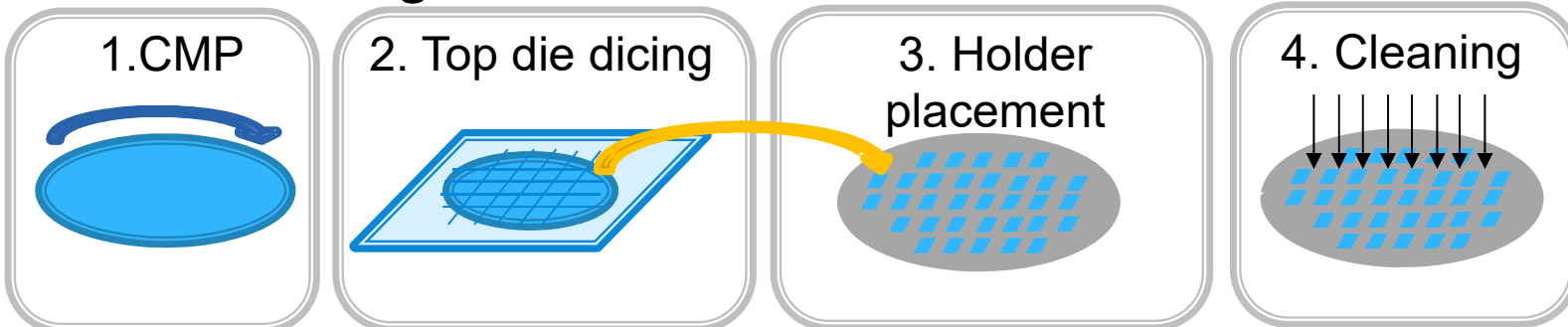
## *W2W bonding flow*

Top & Bottom  
wafers

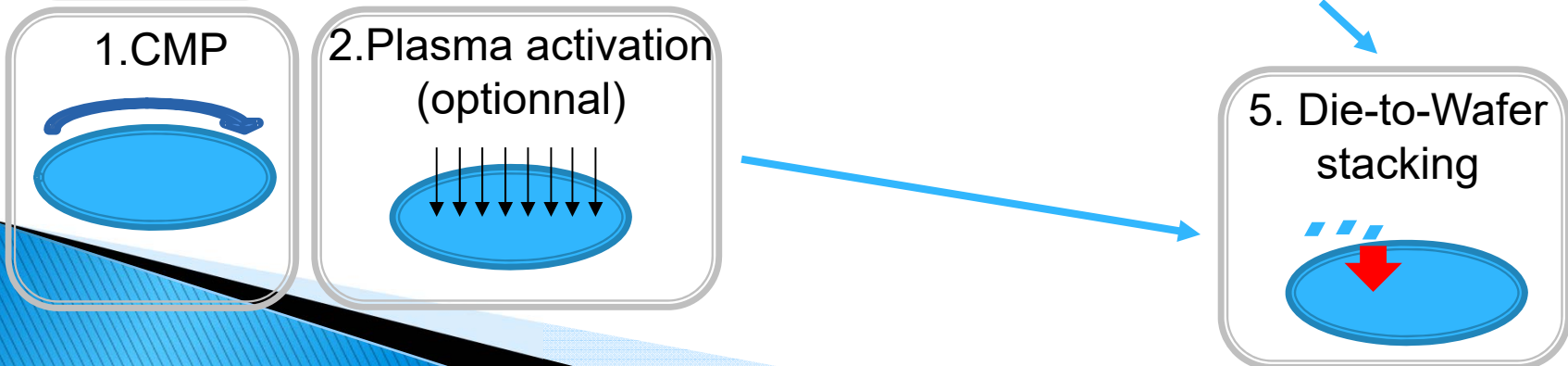


## *Die-to-Wafer bonding flow*

Top die



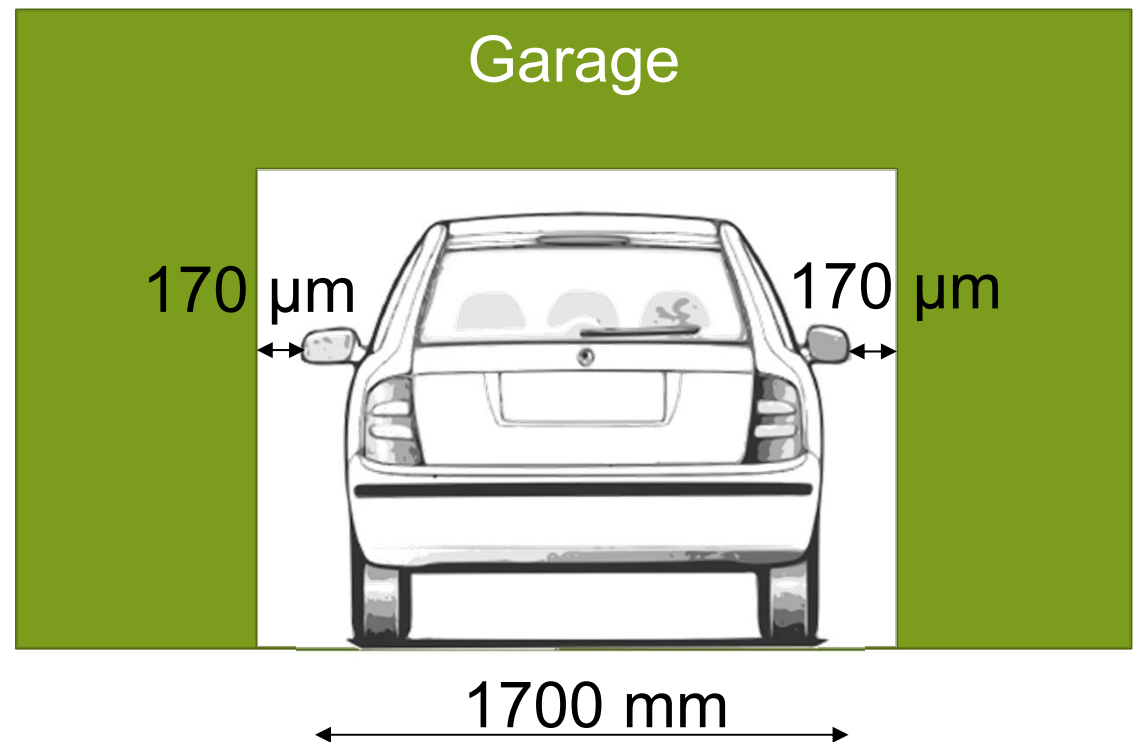
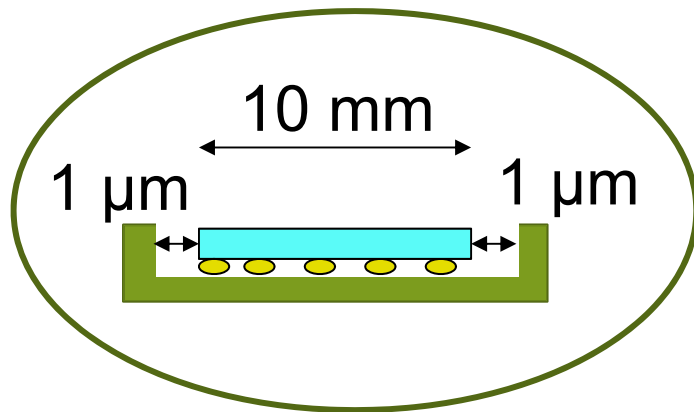
Bottom  
wafer



# Two antinomic specifications

## Main targets

- Precision:  $\pm 1 \mu\text{m}$
- Throughput: 1000 dph





# Tool overview

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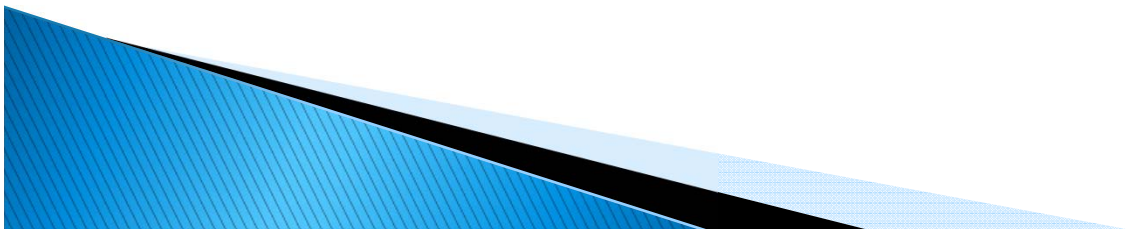
- Precision:  $\pm 1 \mu\text{m}$
- Throughput: 1000 dph
- High cleanliness



# Particle contamination

## Method

- Measurement of number of particles on wafers
- Just after cleaning
- After running tests under various conditions



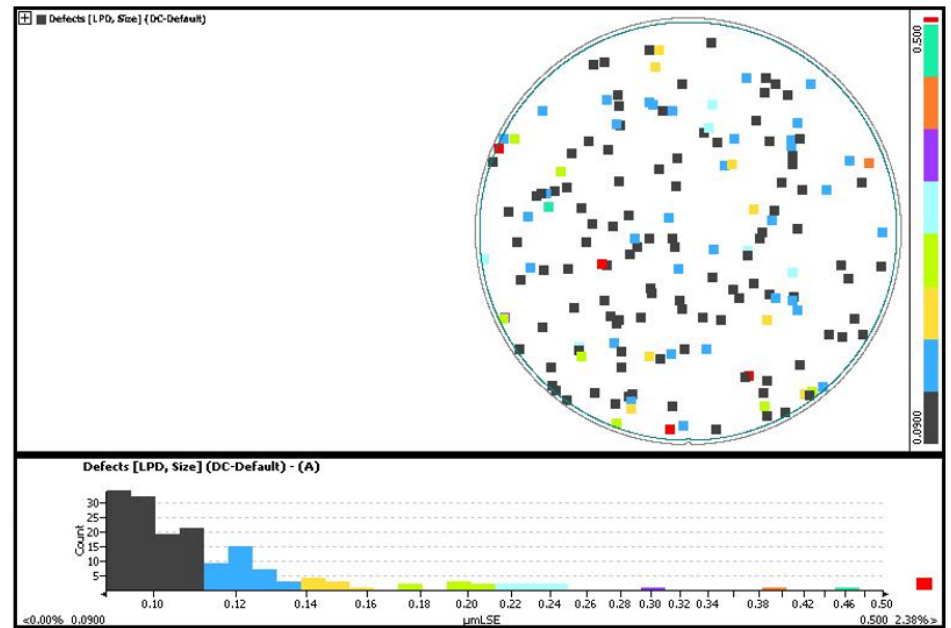
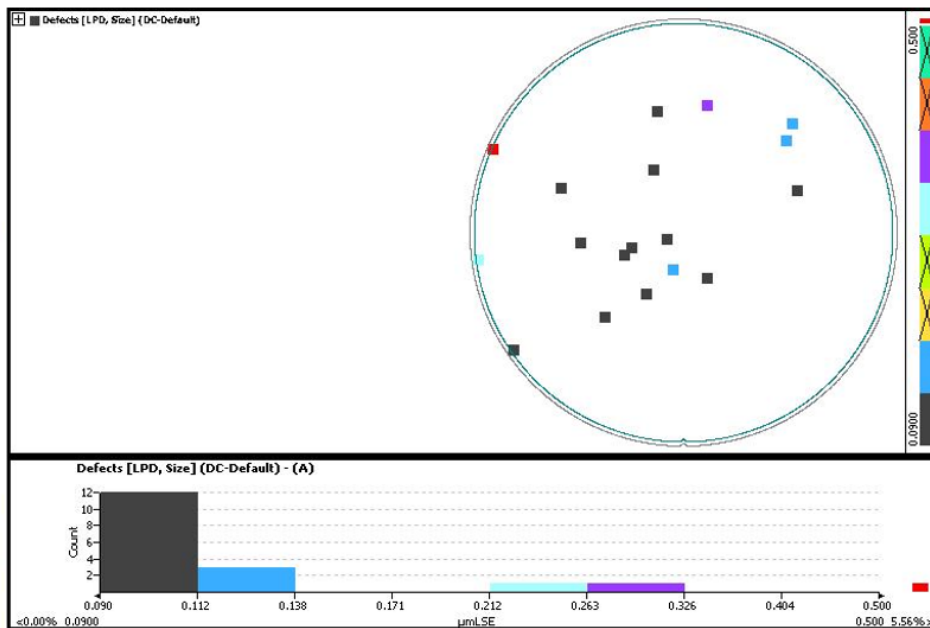


# Particle contamination



One example: Influence of Y axis

- Theoretical throughput = 1000 dph
- Low level of contamination = 150 added particles in 1 hour



# Particle contamination

## Synthetic results table

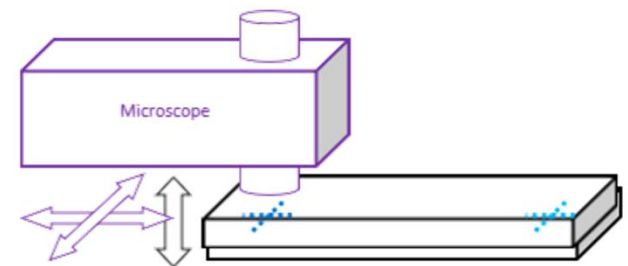
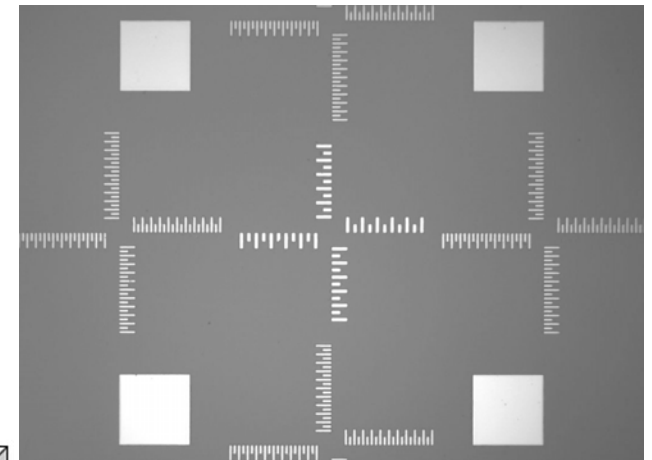
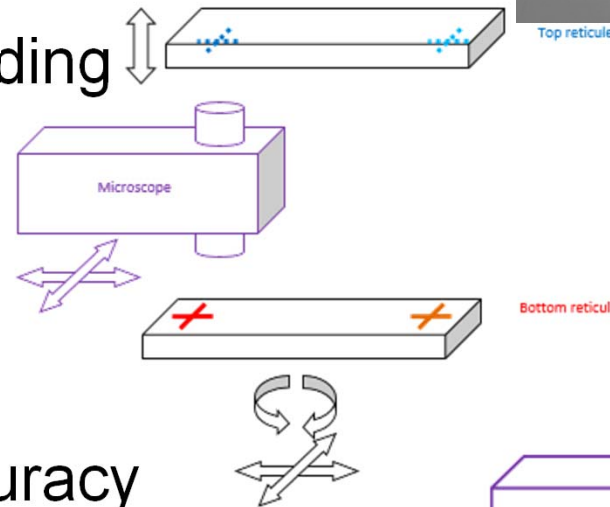
- Acceptable level of contamination for the process
- Nevertheless, continuous corrective actions plan on feeder

COMPARISON BETWEEN NUMBER OF PARTICLES				
Particle size [nm]	Reference Wafer	Cleanroom	Chuck	Support Holder
Box #	1	4	7	10
Initial (just after cleaning)				
90-500	13	43	17	19
> 500	0	1	1	0
After test (added particles)				
90-500	200	121	147	322
> 500	16	5	3	67

# Alignment accuracy

## Method

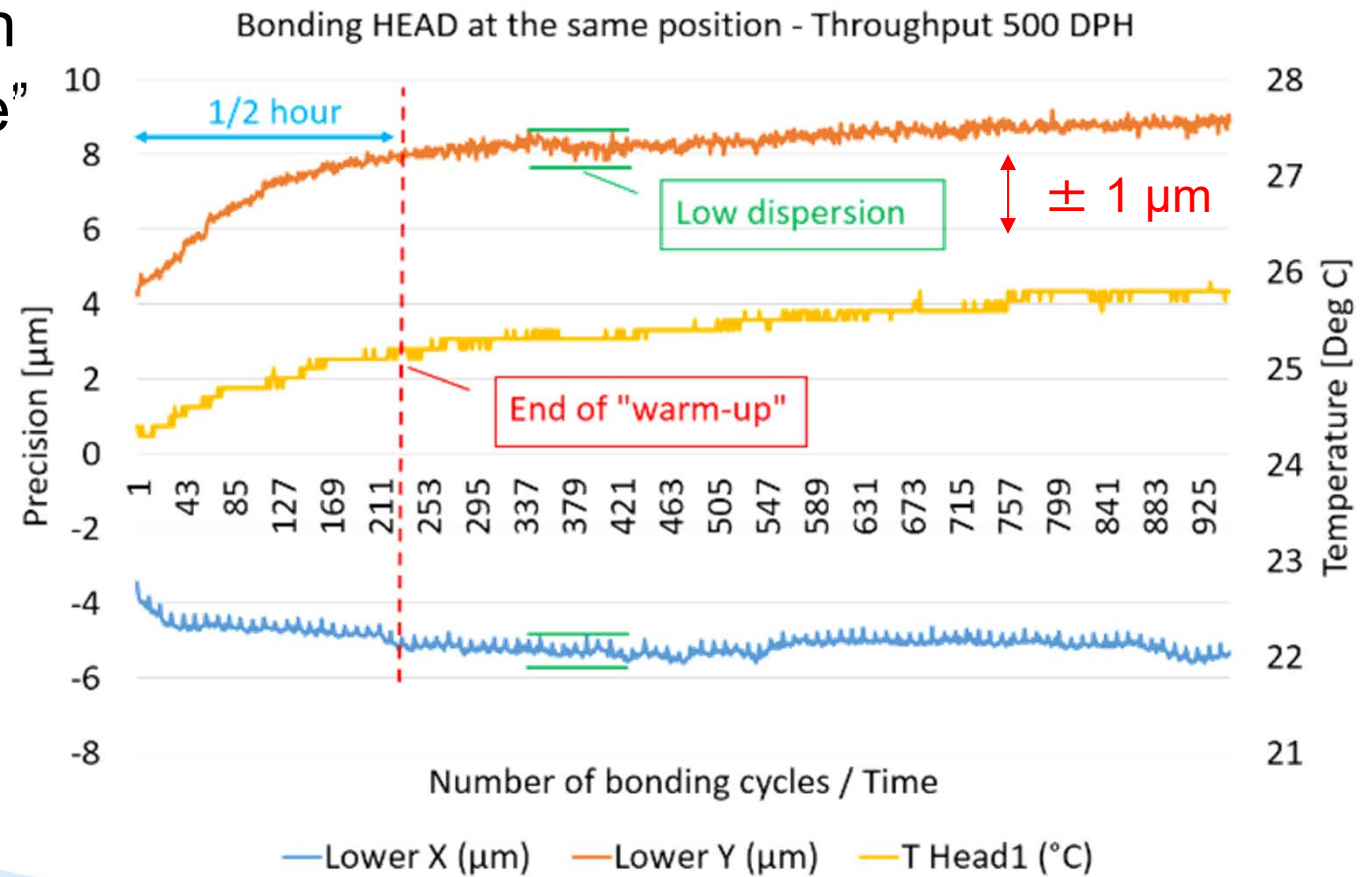
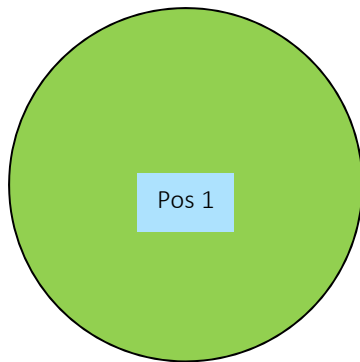
- Transparent reticles
- Alignment before bonding by microscope
- Check post-bond accuracy by microscope



# Alignment accuracy

## Repeatability

- 1 position = Center of wafer
- Low dispersion
- “Warm-up time”

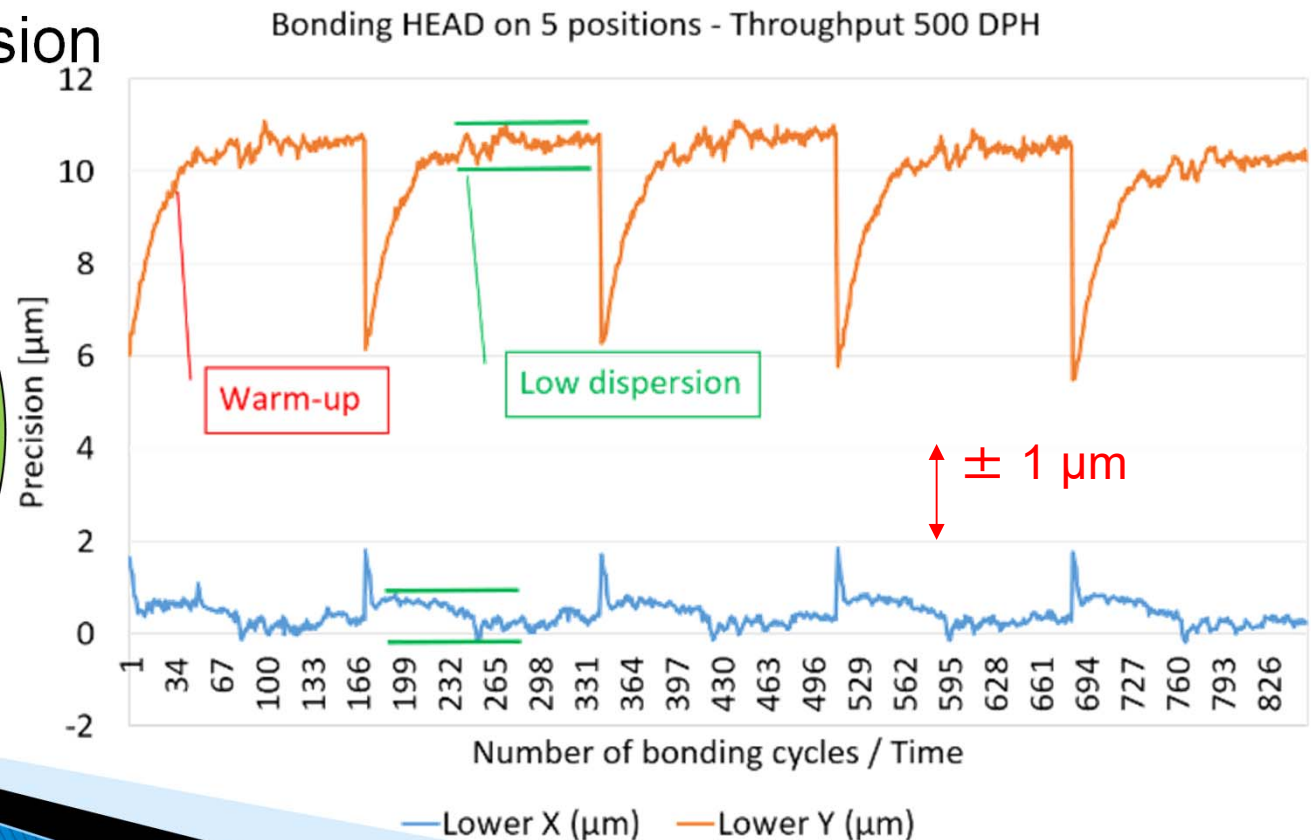
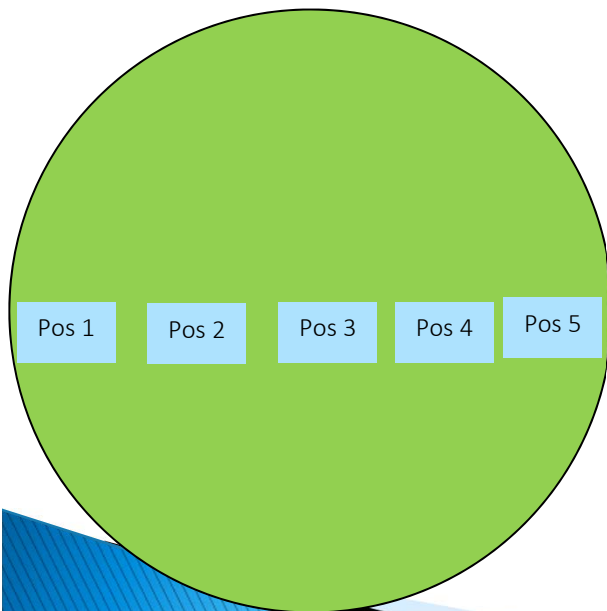




# Alignment accuracy

## Repeatability

- 5 positions = on Diameter of wafer
- Low dispersion
- “Warm-up time”
- Promising precision





# Equipment throughput

🌿 Theoretical throughput = 900 dph

- Elementary steps
- Hidden time / in sequence

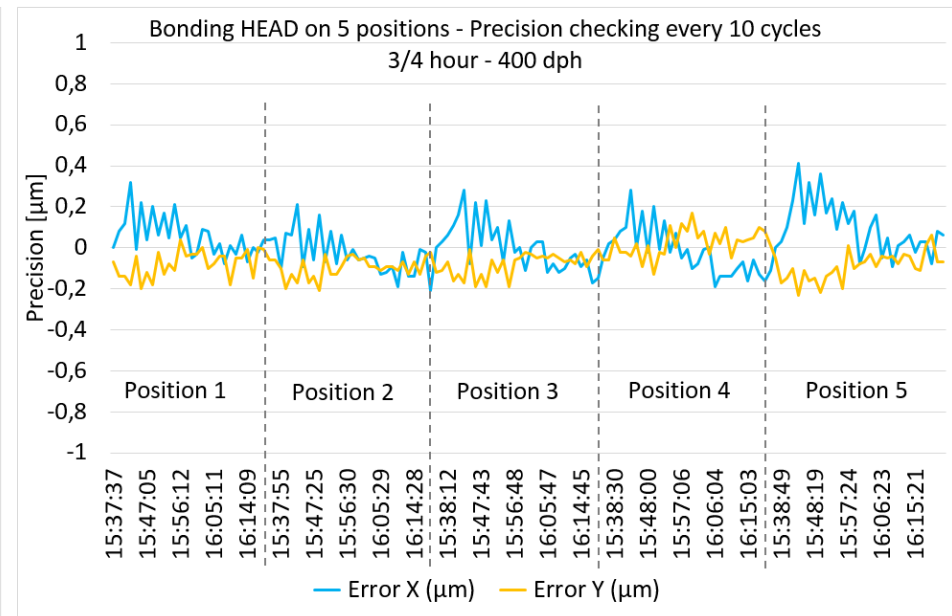
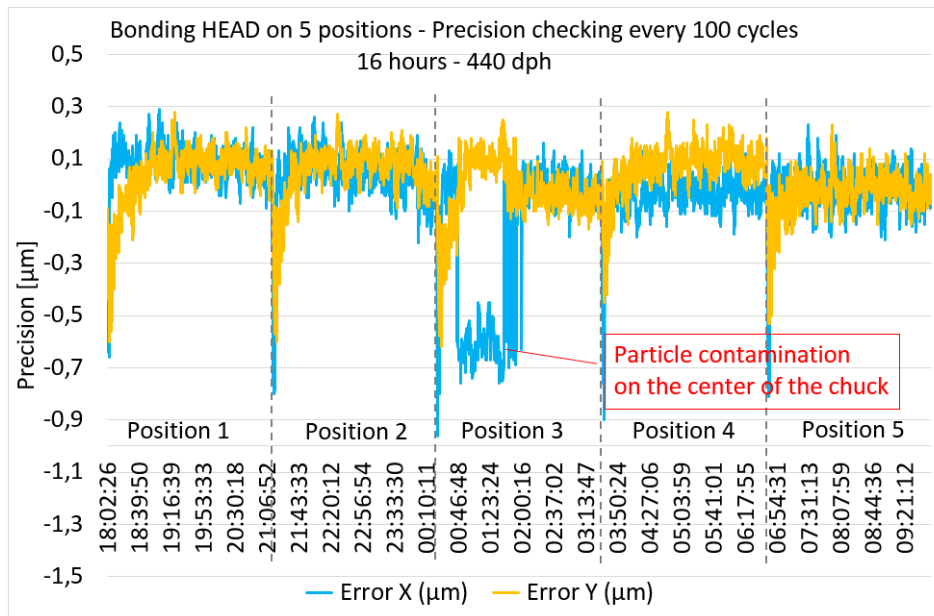
		Time in sec	1 Cell= 0.5 s									
Head 1	Load Chip Magazine (Align + Pick On Magazine -> Head)	4	4s									4s
	Go In Alignment Position XYTheta, Z Focus + XY Optic	1	1s					1s				1s
	Move Optic In Alignment position	0						1s				
	Alignment H1	1,5							1,5s			
	Placement H1	1,5								1,5s		
Head 2	Load Chip Magazine (Align + Pick On Magazine -> Head)	4						4s				
	Go In Alignment Position XYTheta, Z Focus	1	1s					1s				1s
	Move Optic In Alignment position	0	1s									1s
	Alignment H2	1,5		1,5s								
	Placement H2	1,5			1,5s							
Number of Heads		2	Heads									
Cycle time for 1 Head =		8	s / die									
Throughput for 1 Head =		450	DPH									
Throughput for 2 Heads =		900	DPH									

1 cycle

# Equipment throughput

## Throughput vs Accuracy

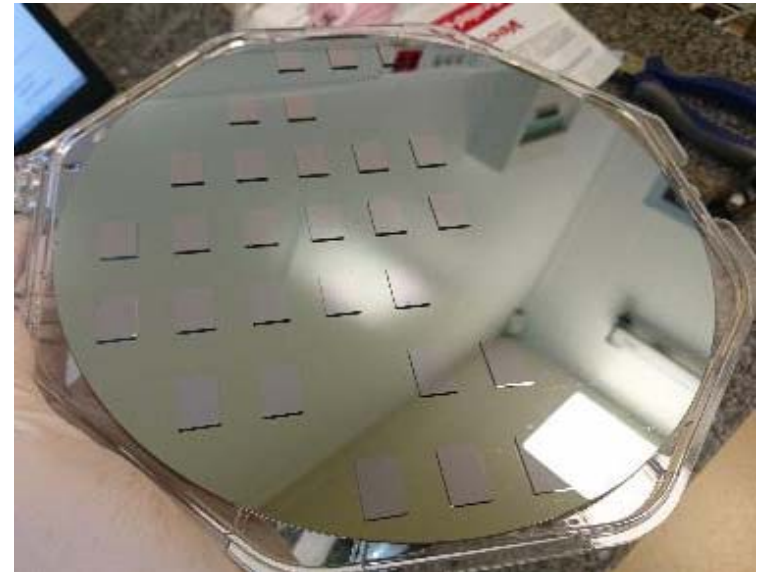
- Trade-off
- Promising Throughput and Precision



# Application on oxide/oxide direct bonding

## Conditions

- 1 x 1,4 mm<sup>2</sup> dies with 2 verniers
- 750 nm of TEOS oxide
- CMP + dicing
- 28 dies on Ø 200 mm wafer
- 450 dph



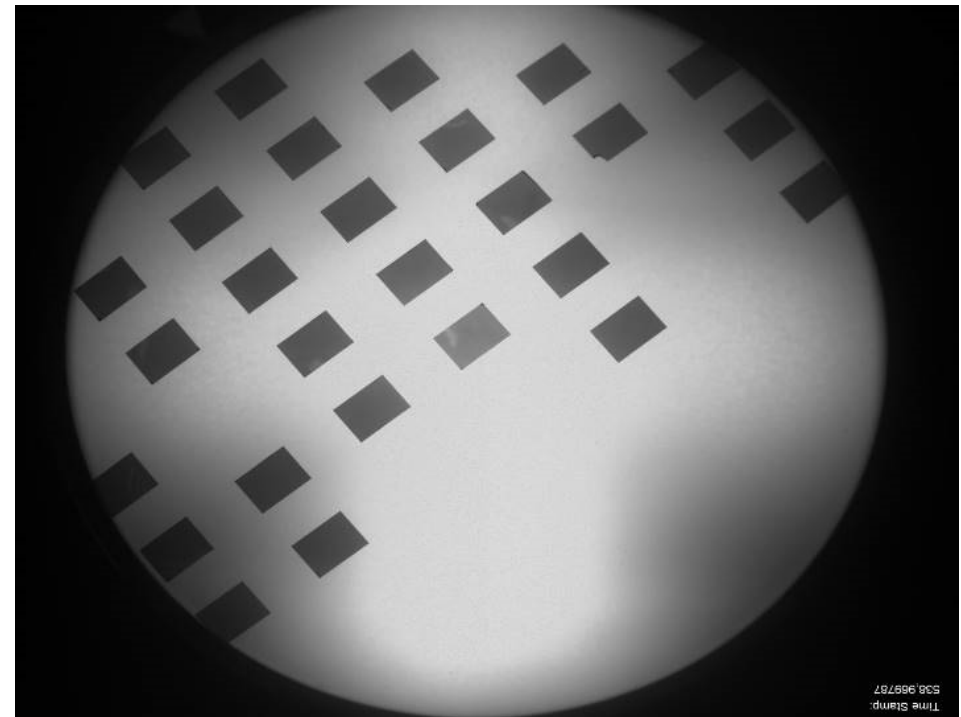
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## Results

- Process in line with direct bonding challenges



	X	Y
Left mark	+/- 0,8 $\mu$ m	+/- 1 $\mu$ m
Right mark	+/- 0,8 $\mu$ m	+/- 0,9 $\mu$ m




# Conclusion

## Main targets

- Precision
  - Dispersion  $< \pm 0,25 \mu\text{m}$
  - Post-bond accuracy  $< \pm 1 \mu\text{m}$
- Throughput
  - $\approx 500 \text{ dph}$
- High cleanliness
  - Acceptable level
  - Actions on progress

## Future work

- Continue qualification of beta tool
  - Harvest measurements on precision, throughput, cleanliness
  - Qualify the process on active device , full morphological and electrical characterization
  - Demonstration on customers components possible in 2018
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