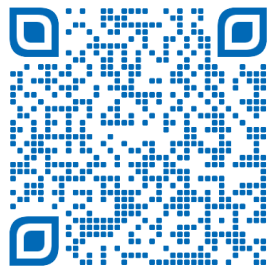




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Advanced Package and Integrated Chips



Lecture 3 : 3D Integration: TSV and HB

Instructor: Chixiao Chen, Ph. D

- TSV middle and last fabrication
- Hybrid Bonding
- 3D Stacking Technology in Commercial Products
 - 3D Stacking Memories (HBM)
 - 3D Stacking Sensors



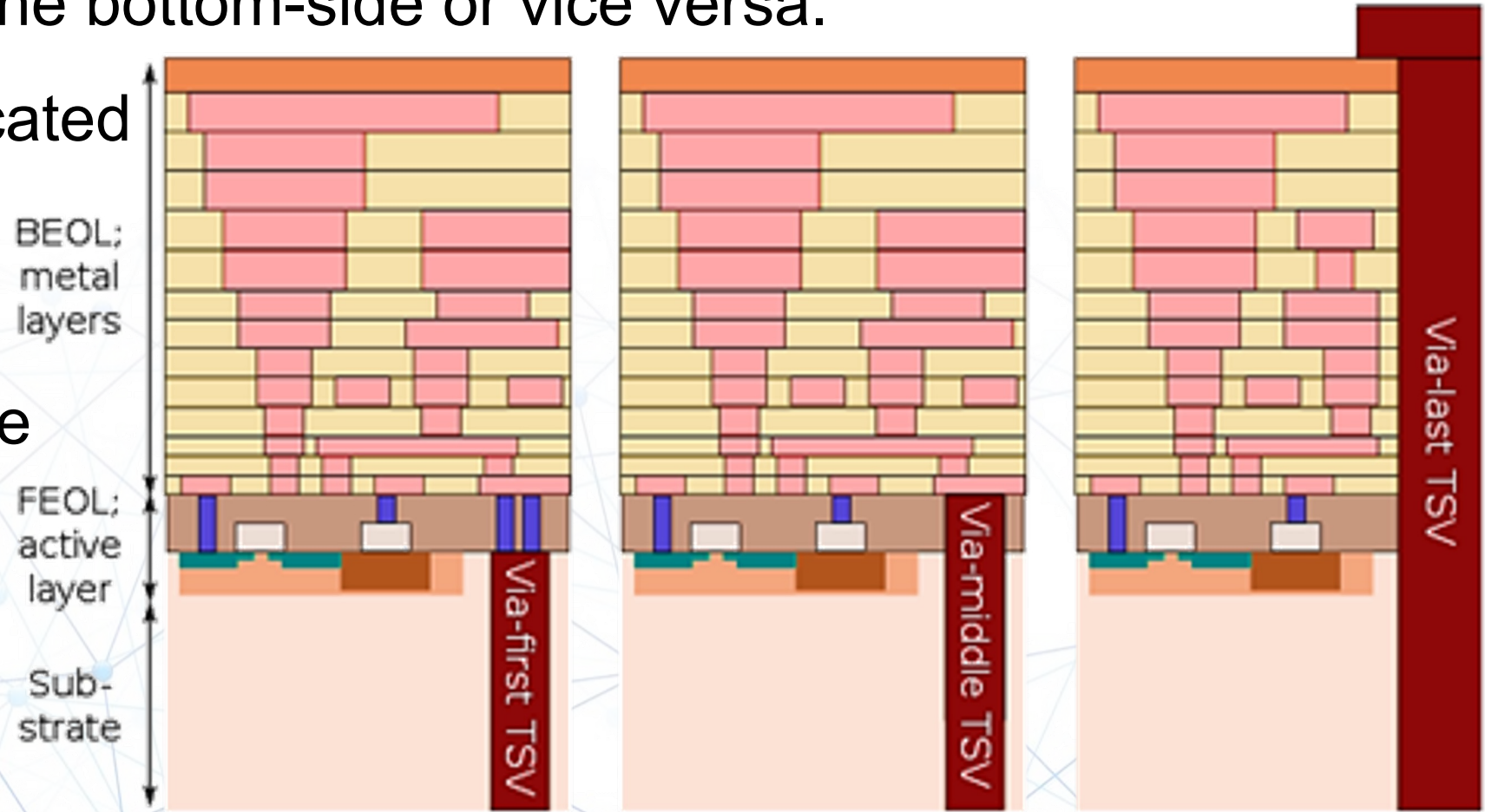
Via-first Via-Last and Via-Middle

➤ Through silicon via is the via in a piece of silicon letting the signals from the topside to the bottom-side or vice versa.

➤ Via-first: TSV fabricated before transistors

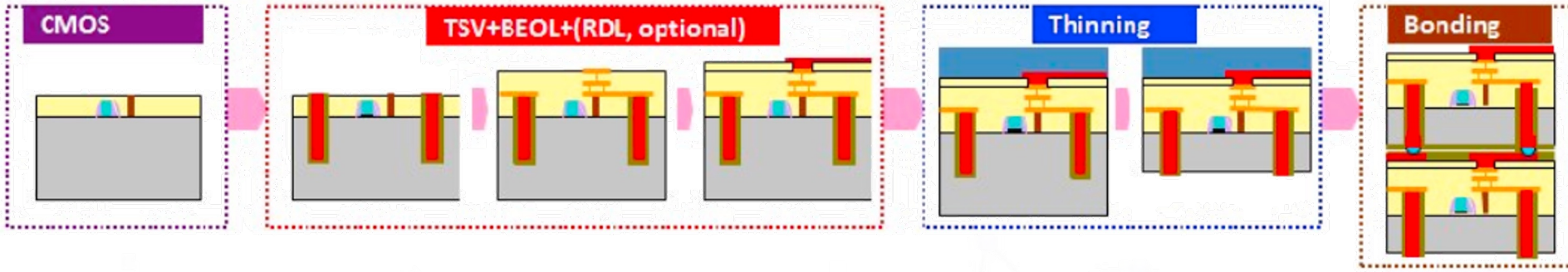
➤ Via-middle: after transistors but before metal completes

➤ Via-last: after wafer is fabricated



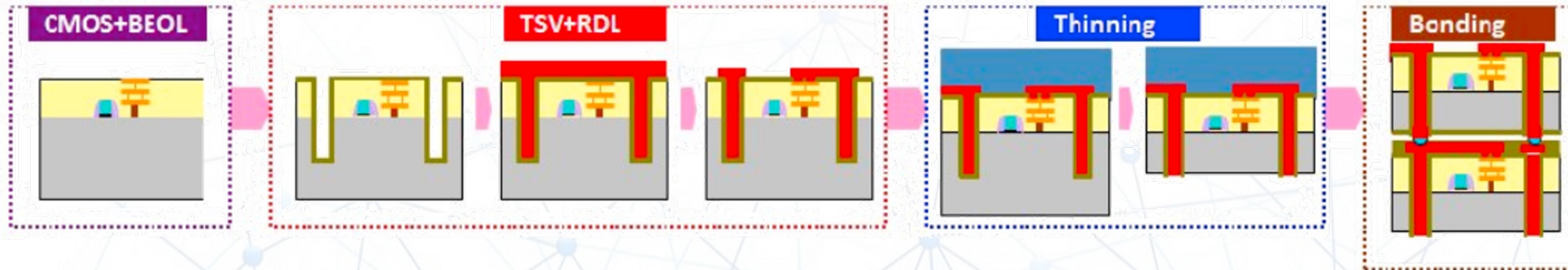
TSV fabrication Process flow

(1) Via-middle process flow



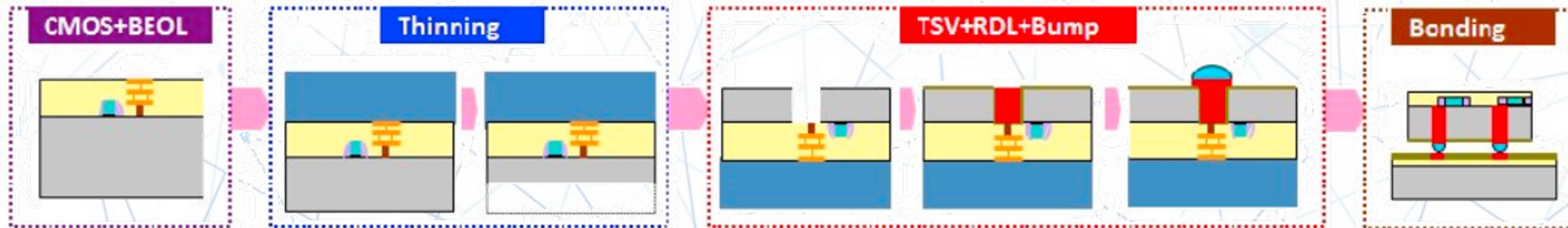
TSV revealing and routing issue
Only available in semiconductor fab

(2) Frontside via-last process flow



Not easy to implement high aspect ratio TSV
Can be implemented in OSAT

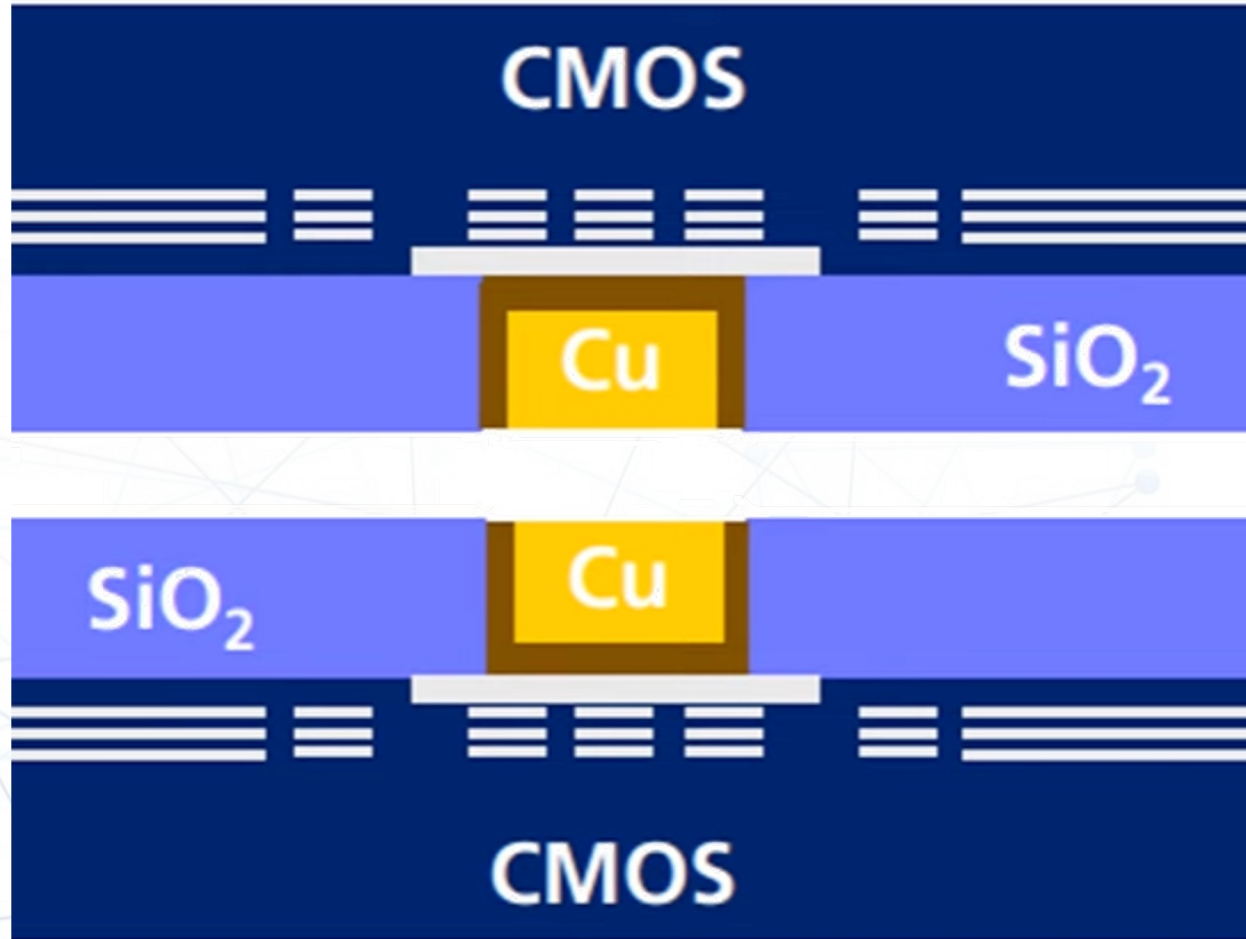
(3) Backside via-last process flow



No limitation for routing rules.

What is Hybrid Bonding ?

- Hybrid bonding (HB) is a dielectric bond combined with a metal bond to form an interconnection.
- Effectively replaces the Under Bump Metallization (UBM), underfill and micro-bumps with a direct connection.
- HB has much higher density than solder bumping technology.
- HB involves D2W or W2W processing at low temperature (<300 C) to initial high bond strengths.



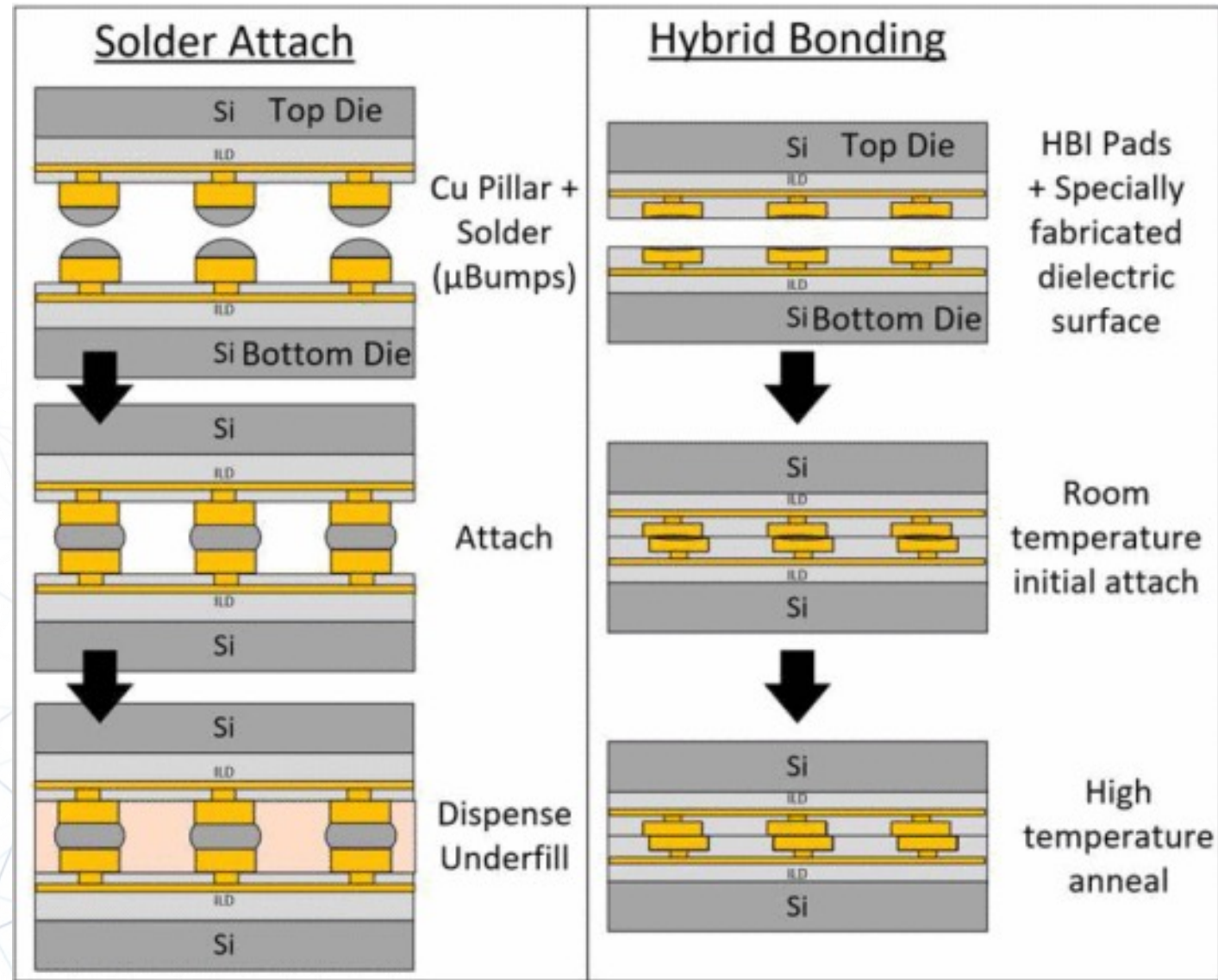
Hybrid Bonding Process

➤ Benefits:

- Scalable pitch
- 10x+ density over solder
- Improved current carrying capability
- Better thermomechanical performance

➤ Challenges:

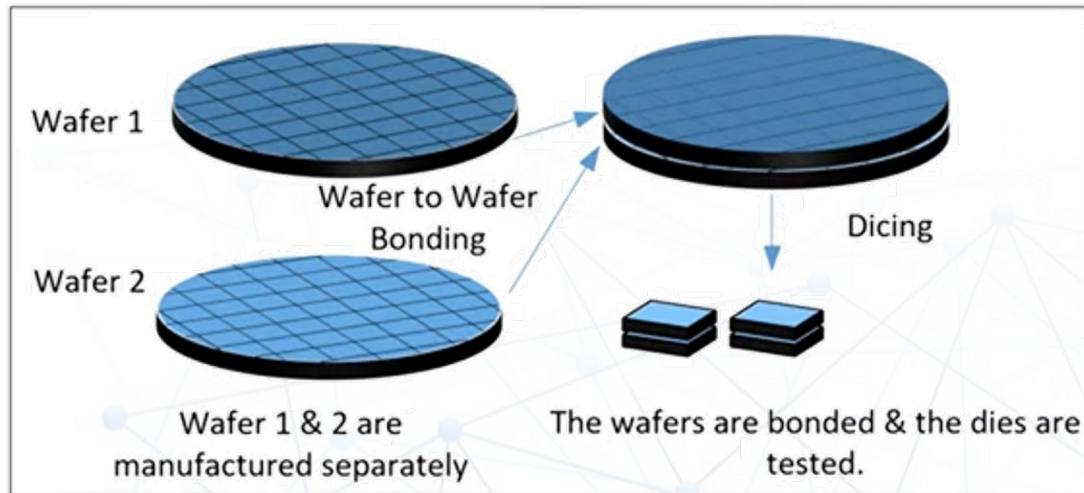
- Processing & Assembly
- Test



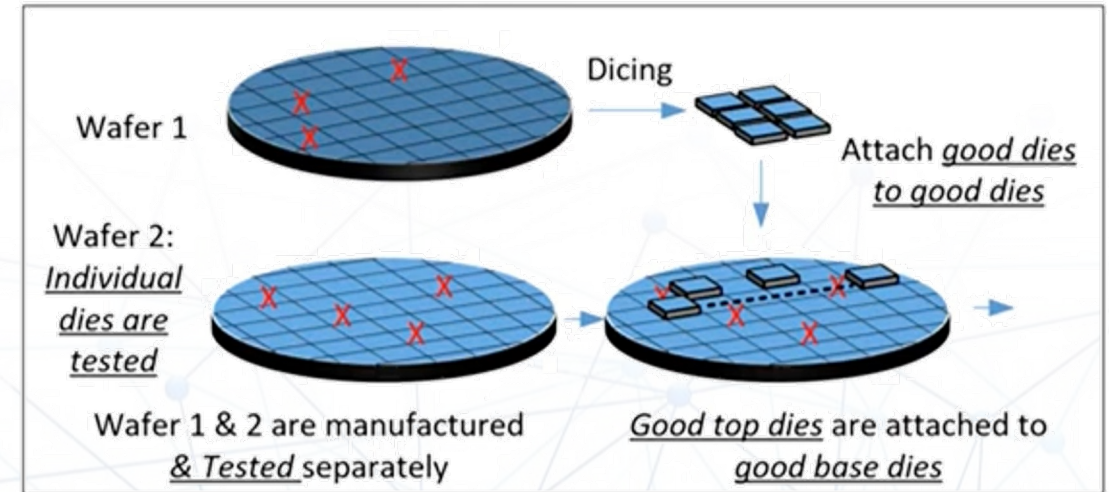
Two Types of Hybrid Bonding

- From design perspective, W2W HB requires same die area for both top and bottom chiplets.

Wafer to Wafer



Die to Wafer



More mature

Currently finer pitch

Stacked dies must be the same size

Each "layer" in the stack is a single technology

Cumulative yield issue (both dies must work)

Less mature

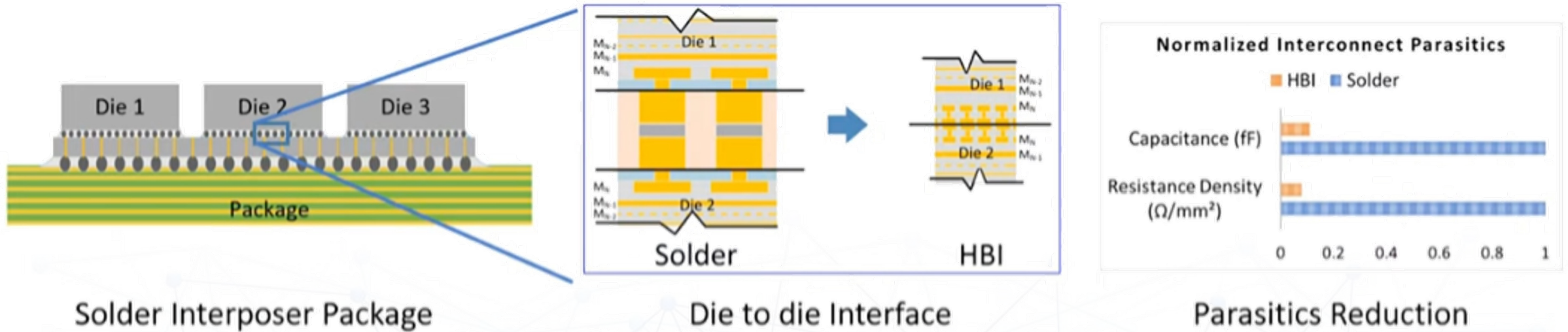
Currently coarser pitch with roadmap to finer pitch

No limitations on stacked die relative sizes

Can have top dies from different technologies

No cumulative yield (top & bottom are tested before attach)

Hybrid Bonding Interconnect Parasitic

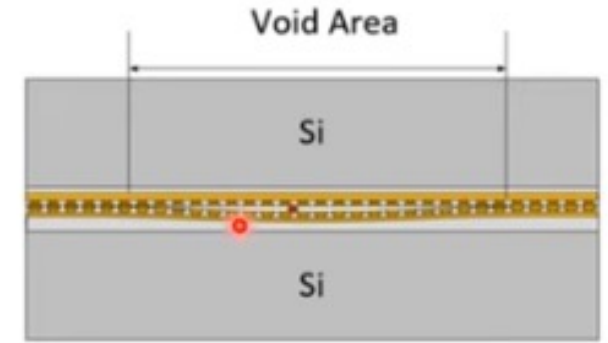


- Hybrid bonding pads area & height \ll solder microbumps
- Enables improved resistance and capacitance
- However, need to consider drivers & other circuitry(*)

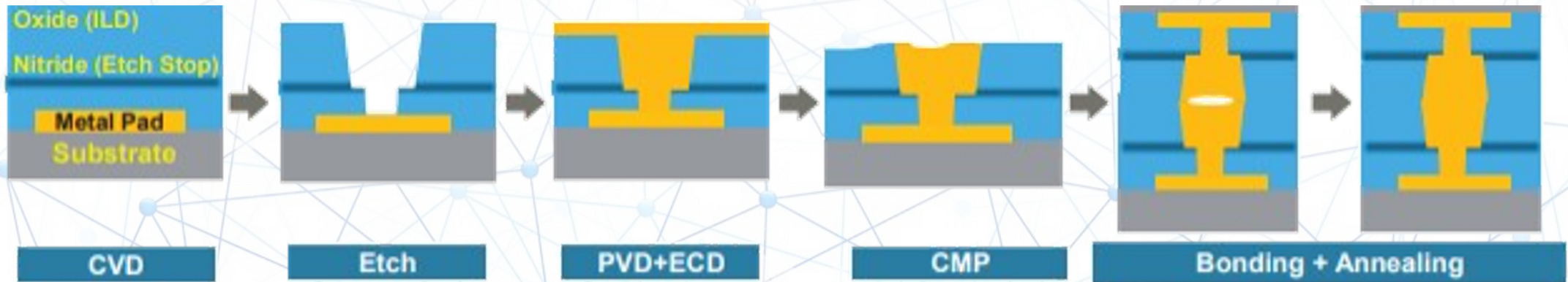
(*) A. Elsherbini et al, "Hybrid Bonding Interconnect for Advanced Heterogeneously Integrated Processors," 2021 (ECTC)

Surface Preparation

- The nano topography is extremely important for HB, the surface must be flat and smooth through CMP process.
- Small particles/surface defects can cause 10-1000s of failed connections
- Metal pads must be precisely recessed to form consistent and strong bonds.
- “Dishing” effects is used for annealing.

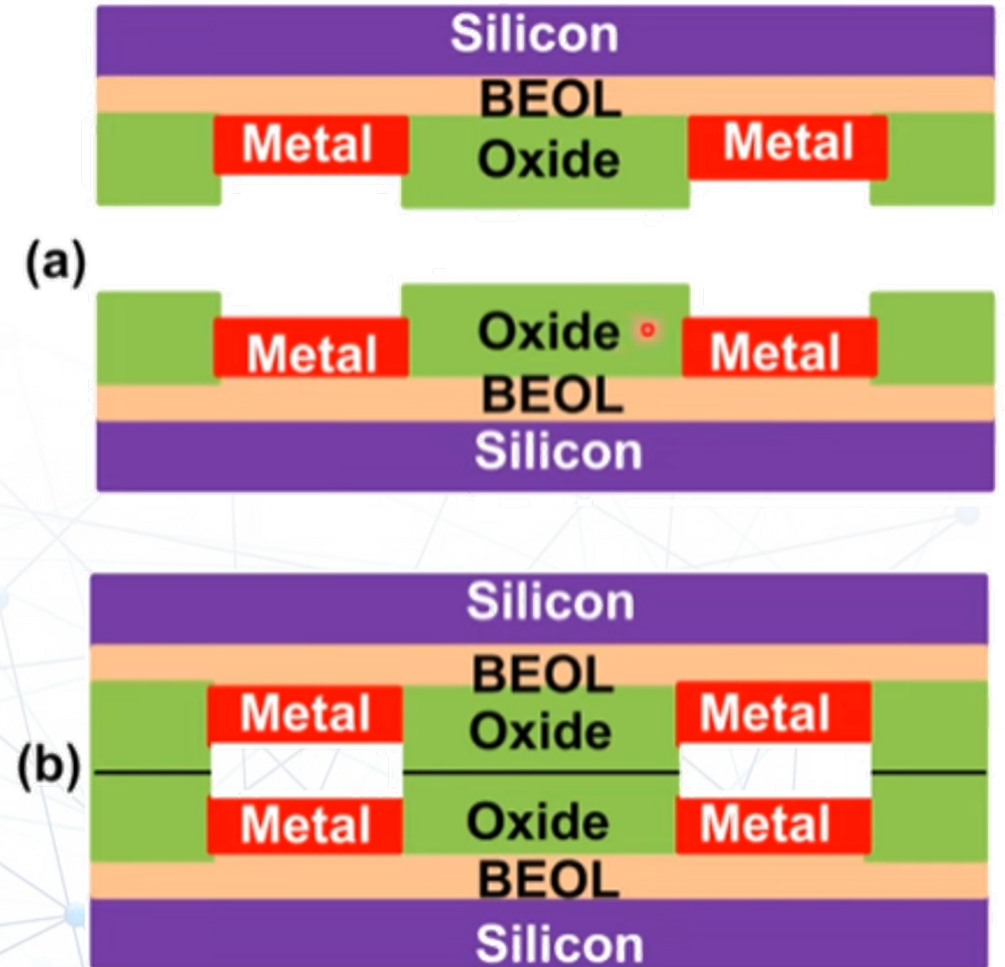


Post Bonding Void

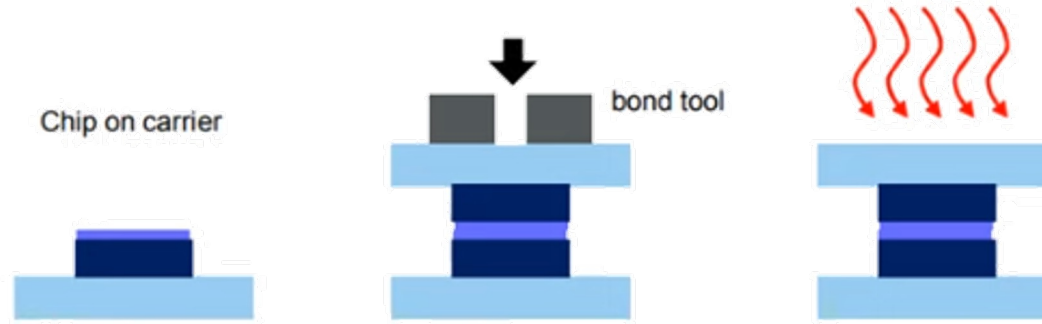


Hybrid Bonding Process

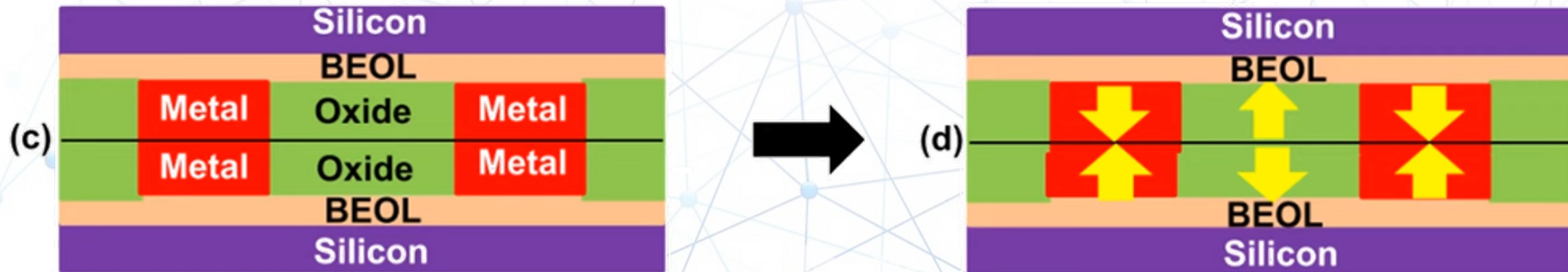
- After both surfaces are prepared, the dielectric surfaces are Plasma-activated to be hydrophilic.
- Surface activation can be evaluated with a Contact Angle Measurement.
- The two layers are brought together at room temperature and undergo Hydrophilic oxide-oxide bonding.



Hybrid Bonding Annealing Process

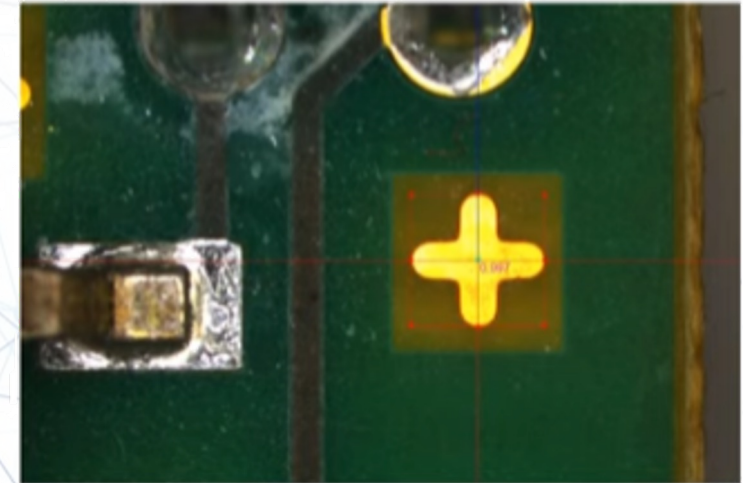
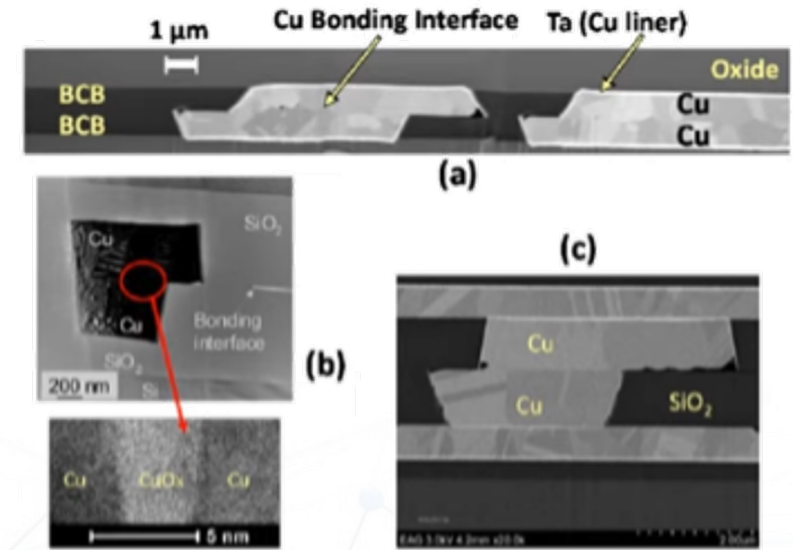


- After the oxides are bonded together, the system is annealed.
- Due to a mismatch in coefficients of thermal expansion between the oxide and metal (metal CTE > oxide CTE), the metal expands to close the dishing gap.
- Internal pressures and low heat increase the driving forces for diffusion within the metal and achieve a strong bond between surfaces. (external pressure is optional)



Placement Accuracy

- Due to the extremely small connection sizes supported by Hybrid Bonding, placement accuracy is crucial when forming the bonds.
- Size, shape, and contrast of design can be optimized to improve image recognition.
- CMP and dicing optimization, along with surface protection can improve die quality.
- Vibration, cleanliness, and thermal control along with Bond Head Parallelism can optimize the tool's function.



High Bandwidth Memory Roadmap

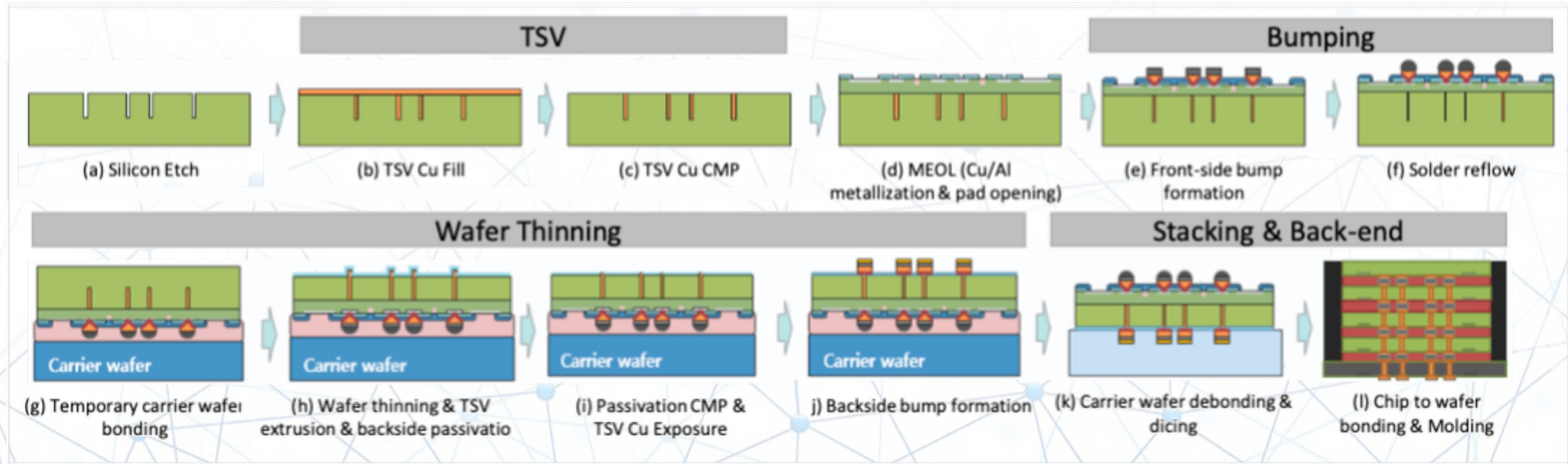
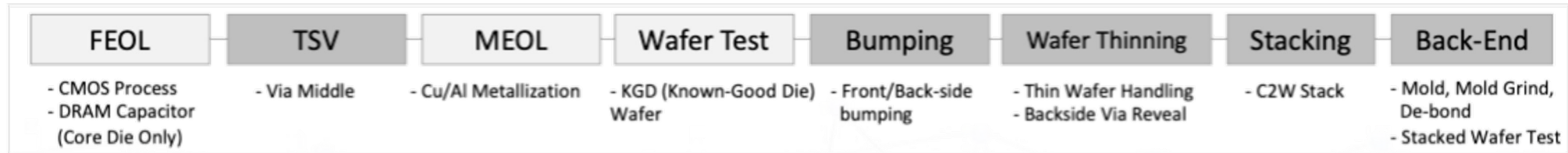


□ Comparison table of HBM1, HBM2, and HBM2E

Items	HBM1	HBM2	HBM2E
Pin Data Rate	1Gb/s/pin	2.4Gb/s/pin	3.2~3.6Gb/s/pin
Burst length	BL2 legacy mode	BL2 legacy mode BL4 pseudo-ch. mode	BL4 pseudo-ch. mode
# of IO and CH	8CH, 128IO/CH	8CH, 128IO/CH 16p-CH, 64IO/p-CH	16p-CH, 64IO/p-CH
Access Granularity	32B (256 bit prefetch)	←	←
Bandwidth	128GB/s	307GB/s	410~461GB/s
Voltage (VDDC/VDDQ/VPPE)	1.2V/1.2V/2.5V	←	←
Interface	CMOS (Un-term)	←	←
Cube density	1GB (4-high core DRAM)	8/4/2GB (8/4/2-high)	16/8GB (8/4-high)
Core DRAM density	2Gb	8Gb+ 1Gb (ECC)	16Gb+ 2Gb (ECC) + 1.5Gb (OD-ECC)

HBM Packaging Process

- Via Middle TSV + Double Side Micro-Bumping + Chip to Wafer Stacking
- Known-Good-Stacking-Die Test in Wafer level



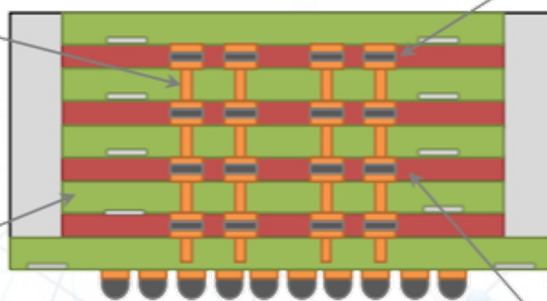
Source: Nam-Seog Kim (IEEE IEDM, 2018)

HBM Packaging Process



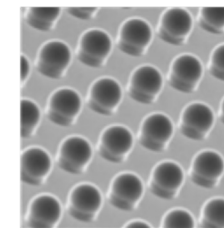
■ Via (TSV) Formation

- Process : Via Etch, Liner Dep, High AR Gap-Fill
- Concern : KOZ, IMD Integrity, Cu Contamination



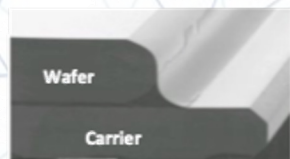
■ Bump Formation

- Process : Electroplating
- Concern : Process Uniformity, Yield
Reliability (Mechanical/Thermal)



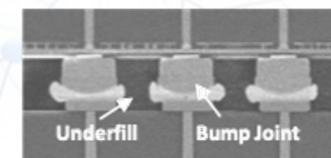
■ Wafer Thinning

- Process : Temporary wafer bonding/debonding,
Thinning/Via Reveal
- Concern : TTV Control, Adhesive Residue, Throughput,
Backside Passivation



■ Chip Stack/Underfill

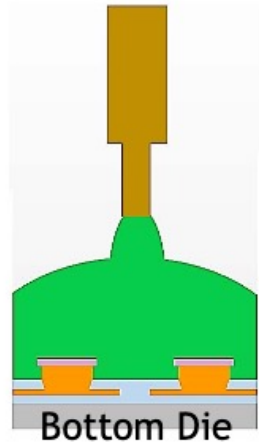
- Process : Pre-applied Underfill (NCF), Post Gap-fill (MUF)
- Concern : Productivity, Thin Die Handling, Stress/Warpage
Control, Reliability (Void, Adhesion, Joint Reliability)



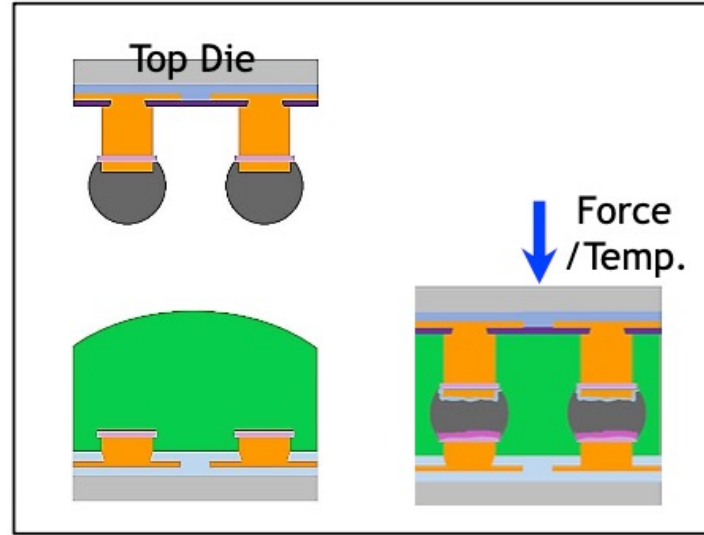
Mass Reflow-Molded Under-Fill Process



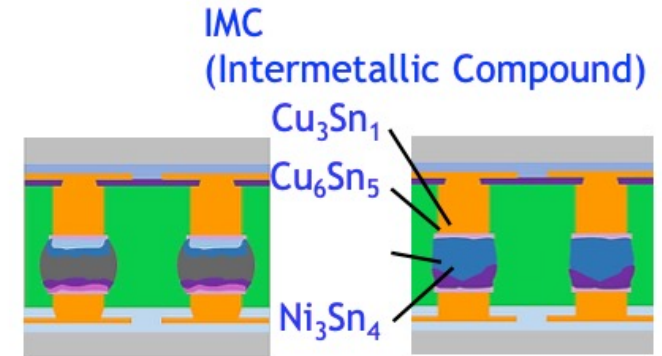
TCNCP
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NCP dispensing



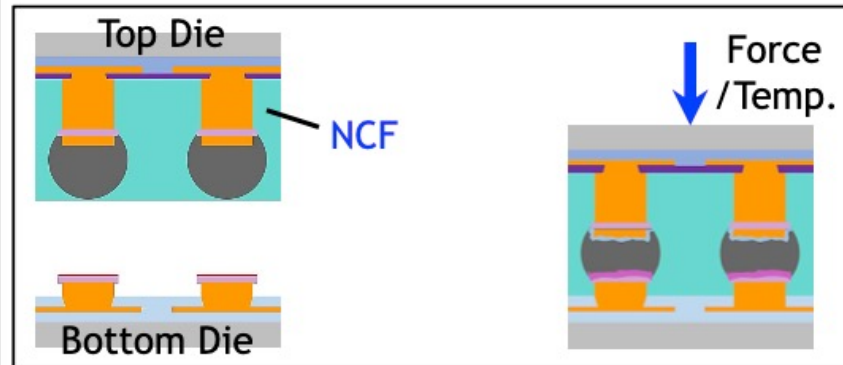
TCB



Curing

Thermal cycles

TCNCF
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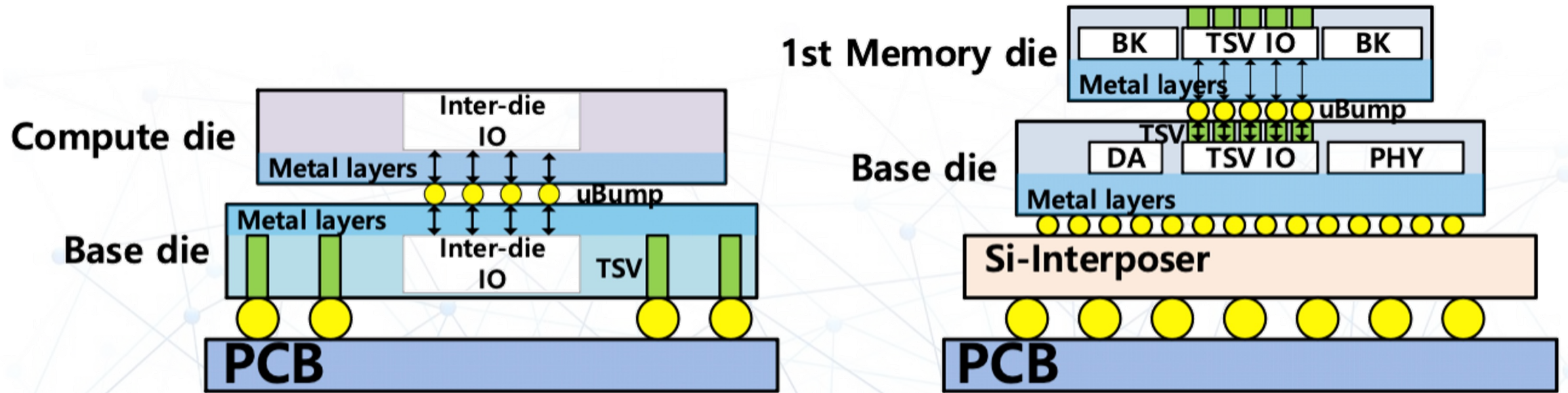
TCB

Curing

Thermal cycles

Chip Stacking - I

- Typical 3D SoChiplet: BEOL + TSV(base die only) + micro-bumping (face to back)
- 3D Stacking Memory: TSV + micro-bump + BEOL (face to face)



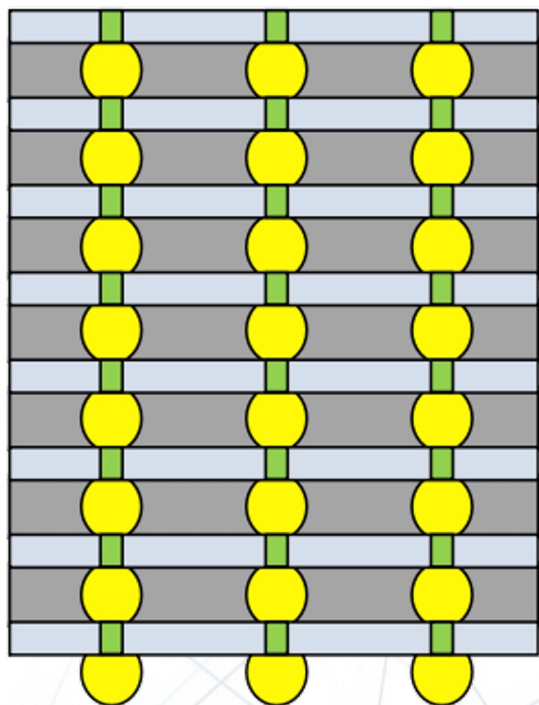
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3D Mobile System

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High Bandwidth Memory (HBM2E)

Chip Stacking - II

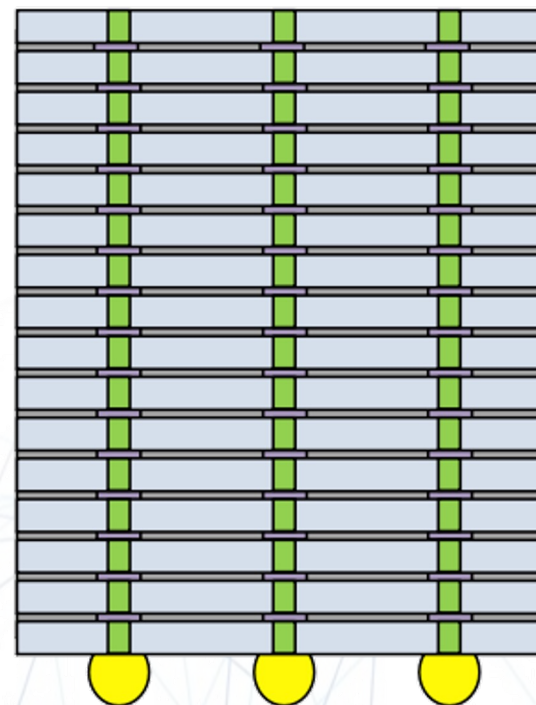
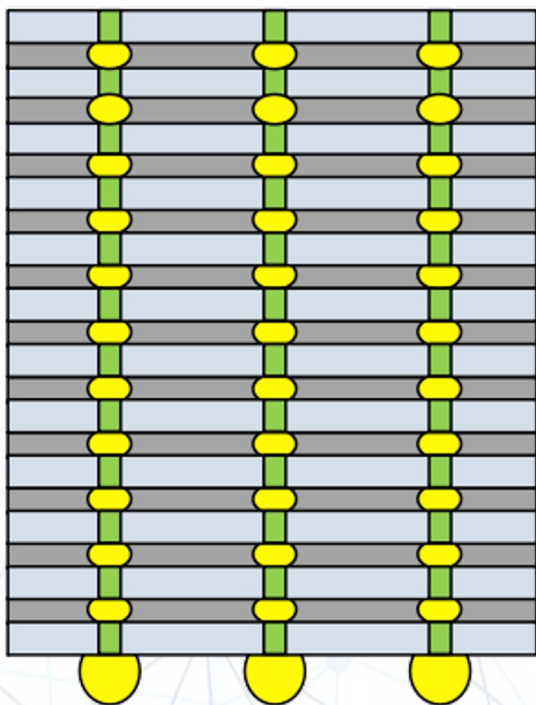


□ 8-stack → 12-stack (Dimensional Scaling) → 16-stack (New technology)



Scaling-I
uBump
Die thickness

[Source: AnandTech, "12-Layer 3D TSV DRAM"]

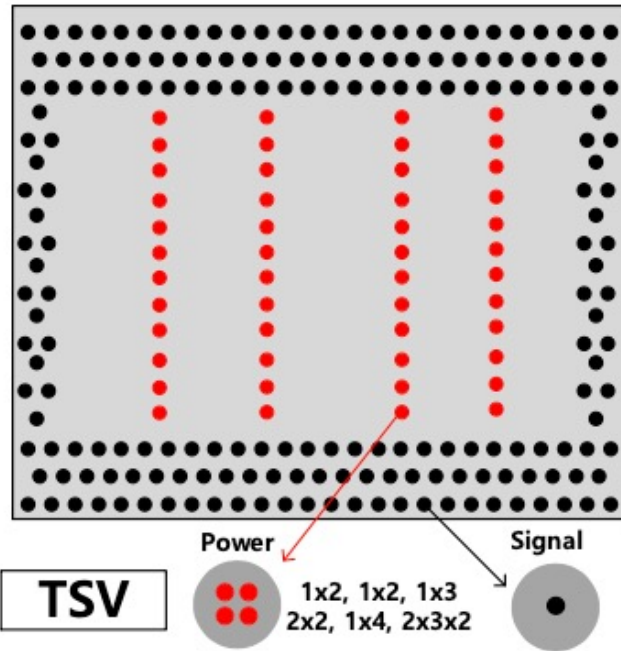


Scaling-II
uBump-less
D2W bonding

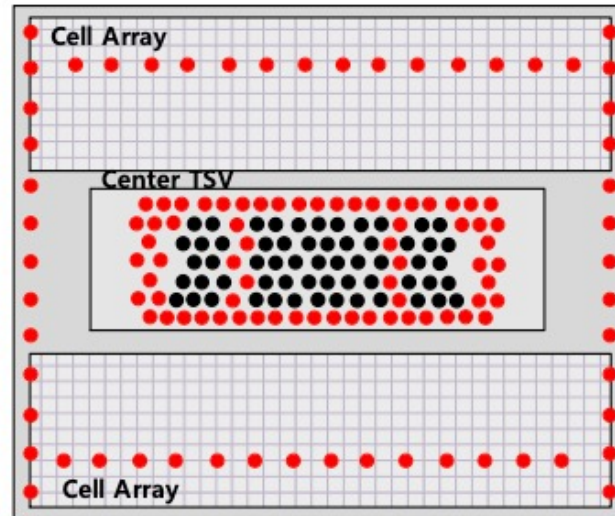
[Source: AnandTech, "DBI Ultra Interconnect"]

TSV Placement - I

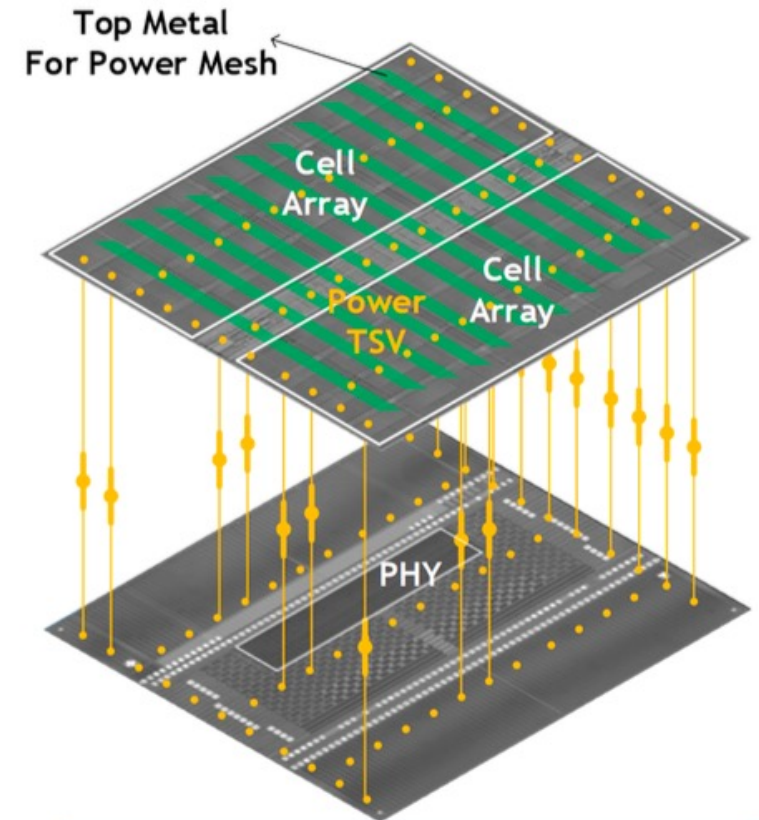
- TSV utilization for PDN improvement at 3D chip stacking
- TSV utilization cooperated with dedicated top power metal improved IR drop by 67%



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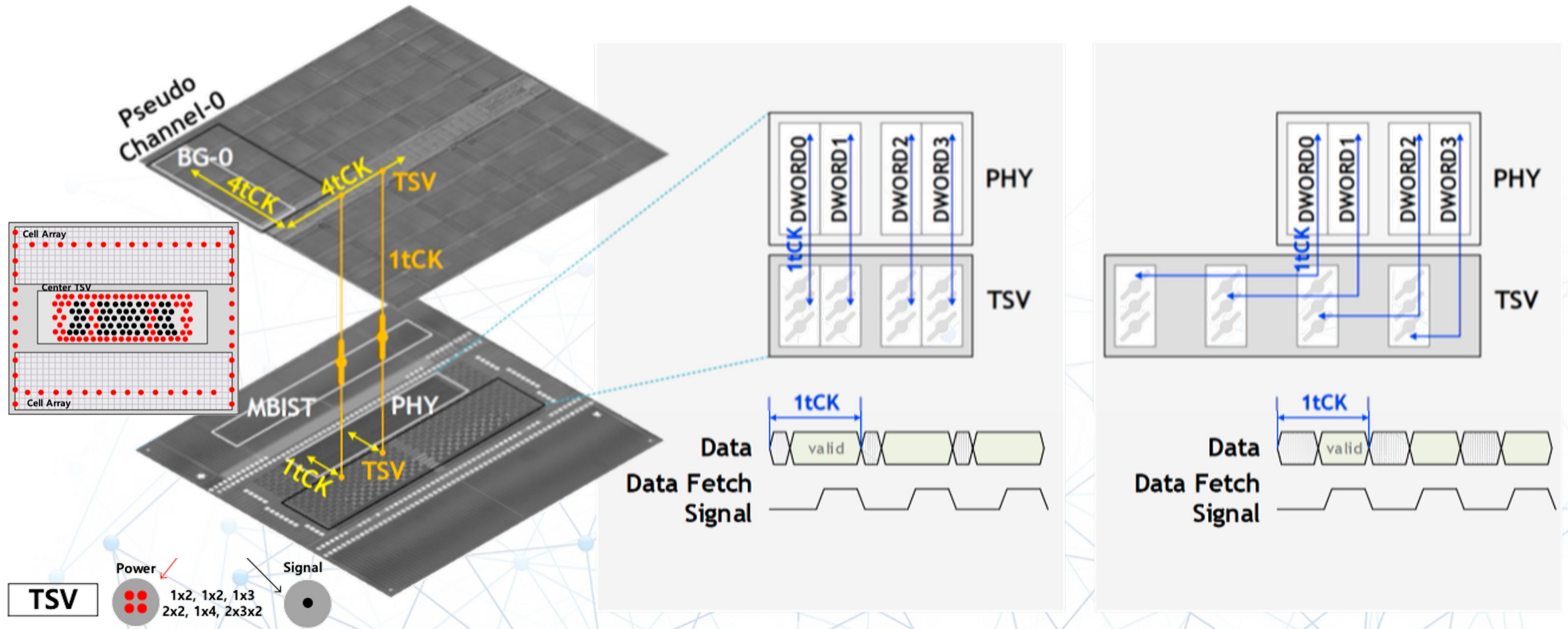


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TSV Placement – II

➤ Base die TSV-PHY alignment for ensuring a proper TSV signal fetch

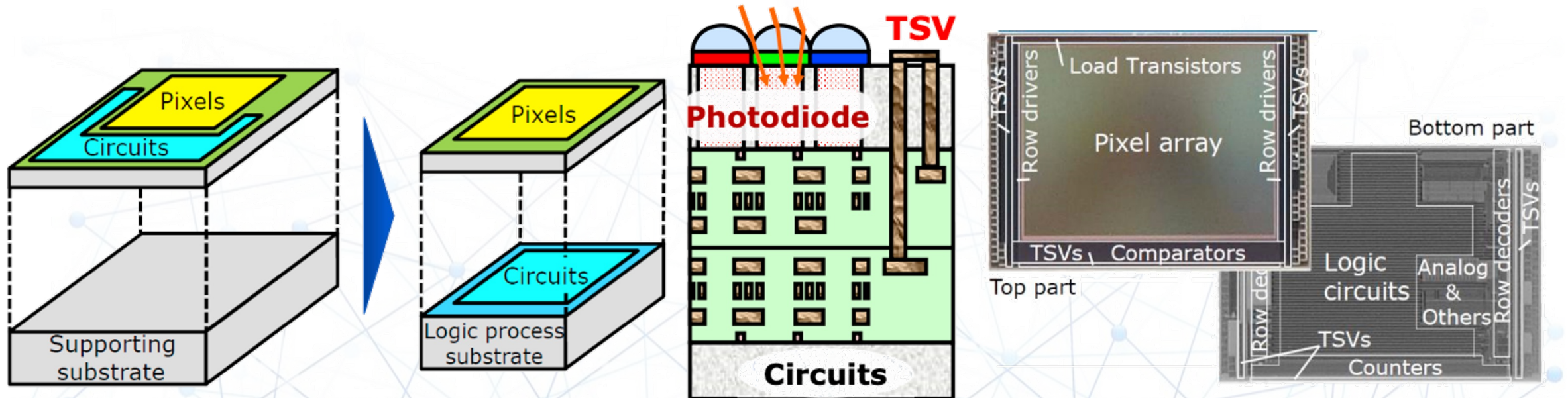


3D Stacked CMOS Image Sensor

- Stacked CIS has become mainstream in mobile cameras

Back-illuminated CIS

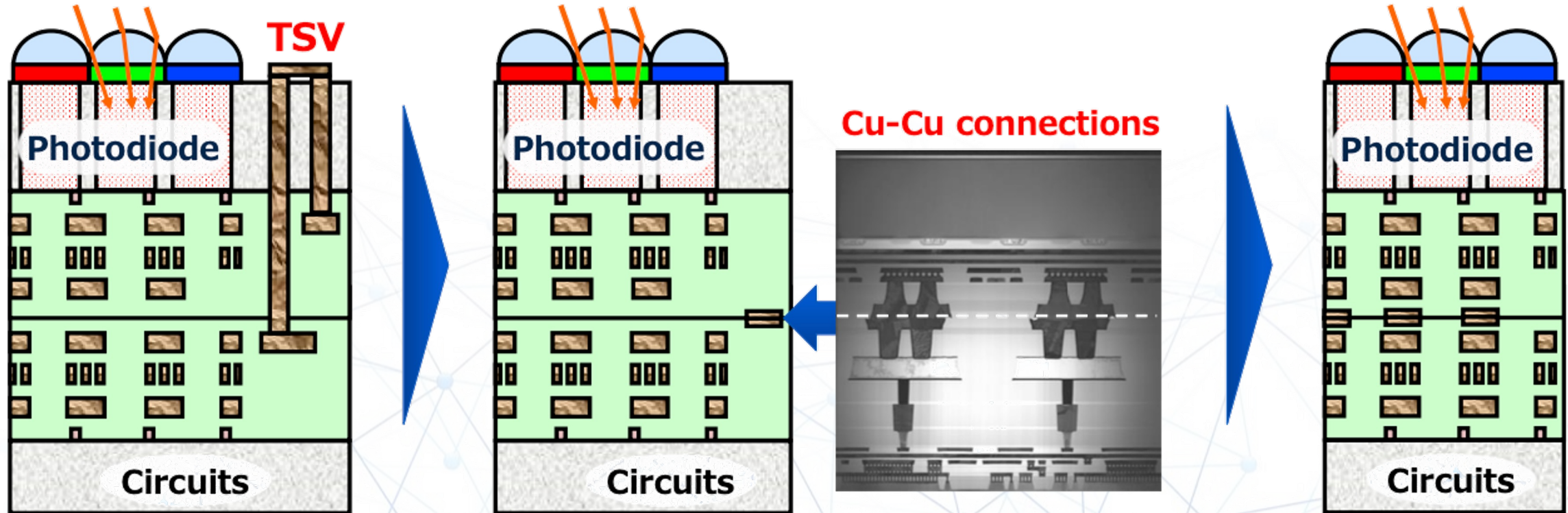
Stacked CIS



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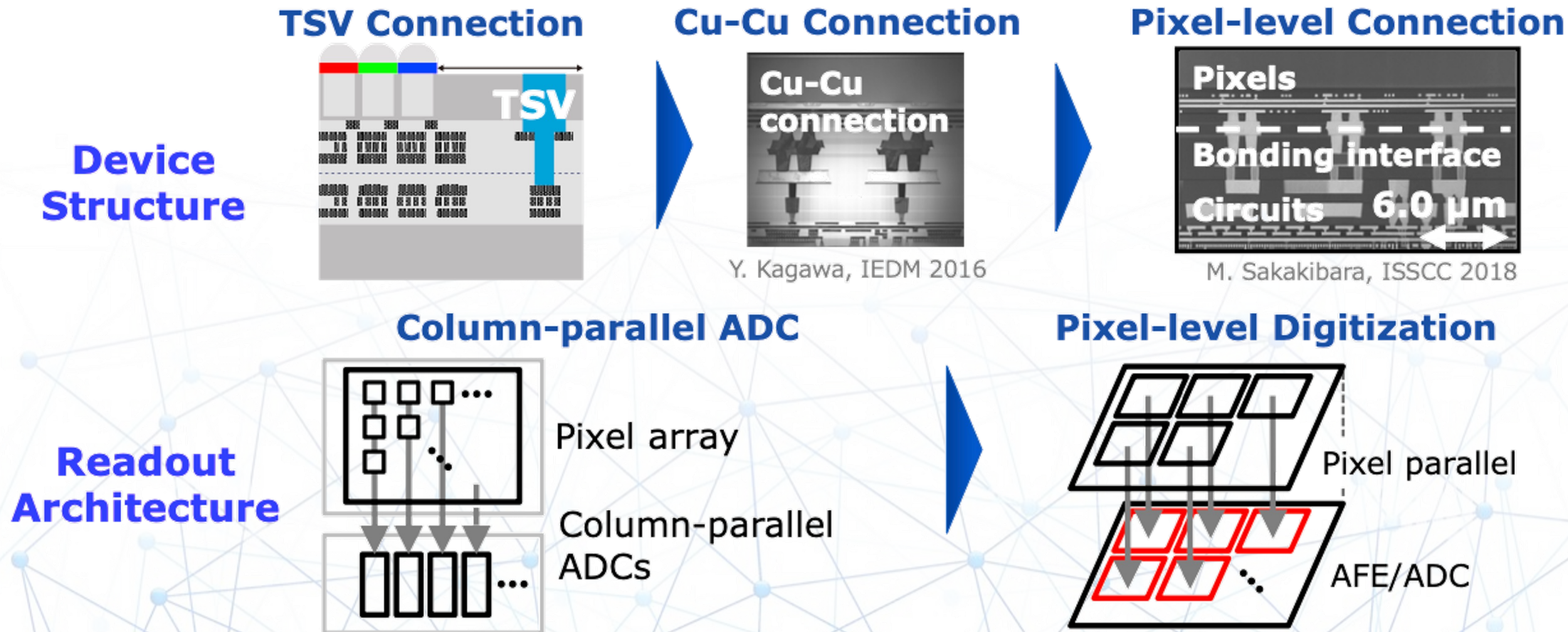
Hybrid Bonding Based CIS

- Cu-Cu connections have been introduced under pixel arrays



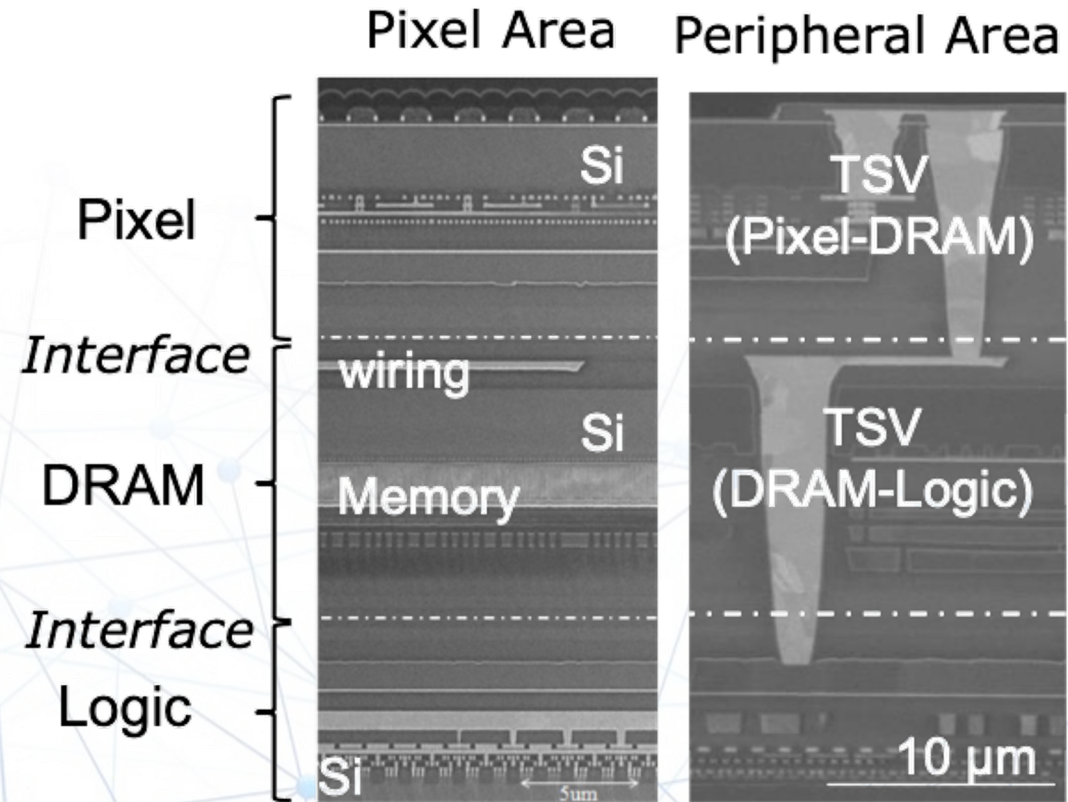
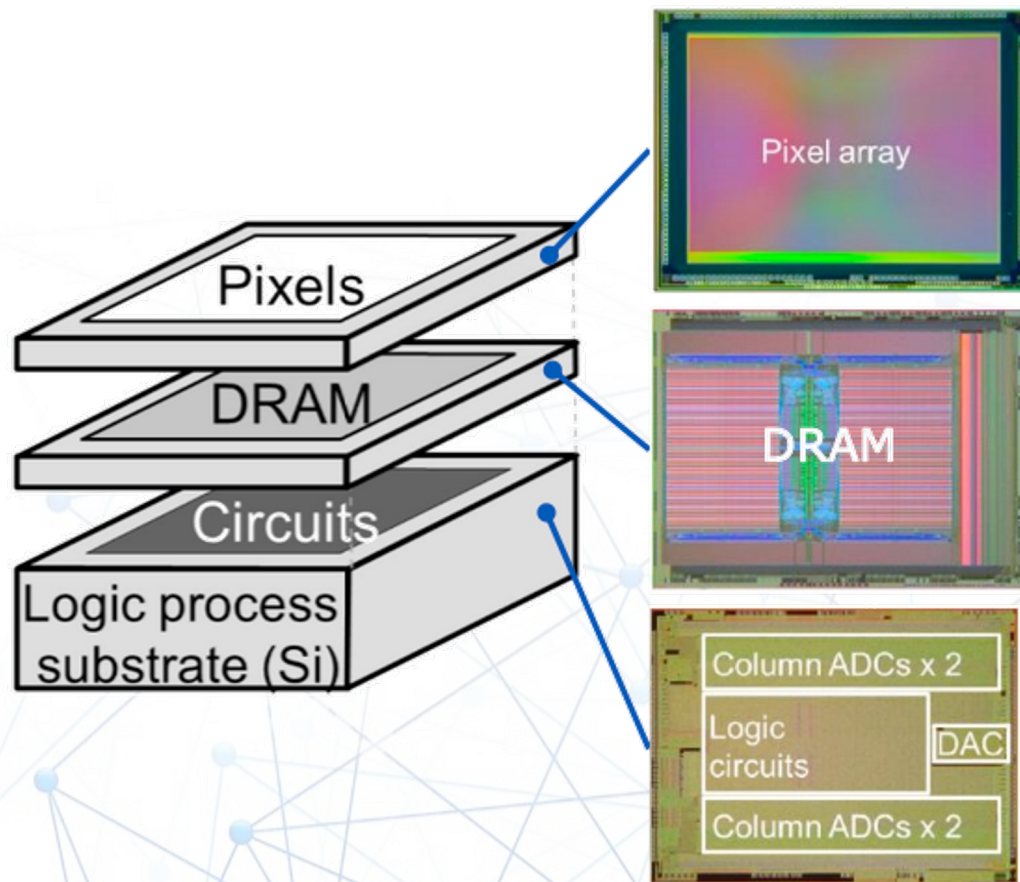
Roadmap of 3D Stacking Sensors

- Pixel parallel architecture is becoming reality.



Three Layer Stacked CIS with DRAM

- DRAM buffer having wide data bandwidth for slow-motion capture

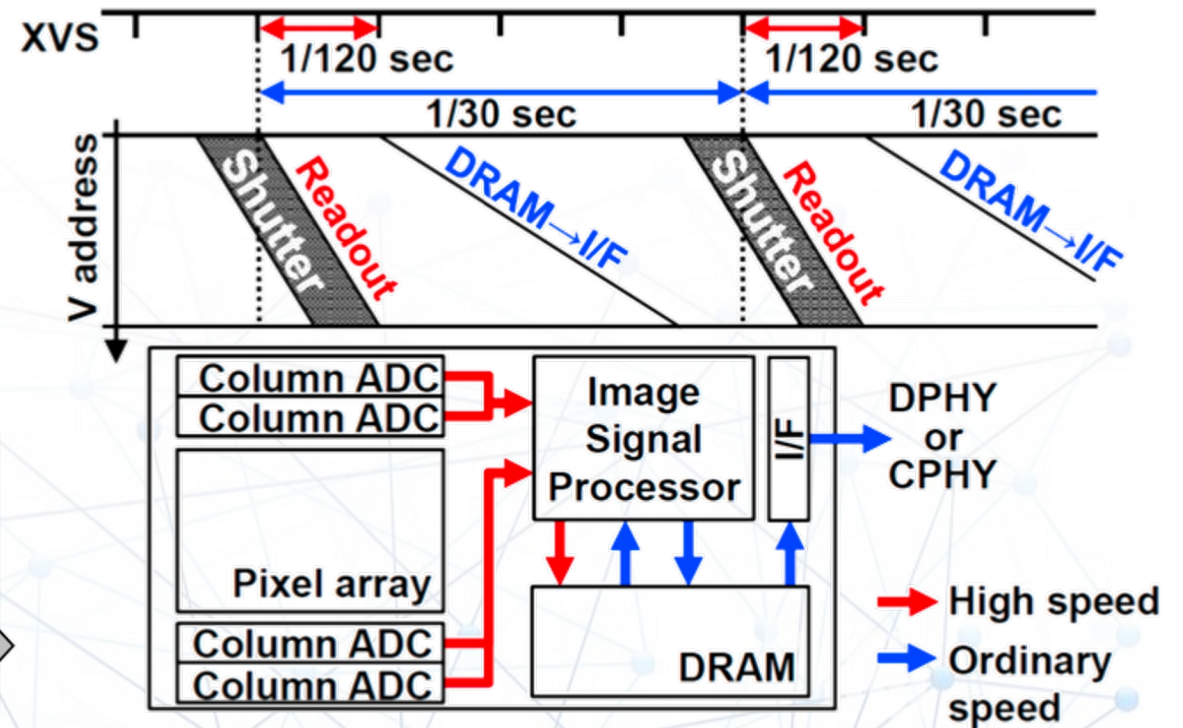
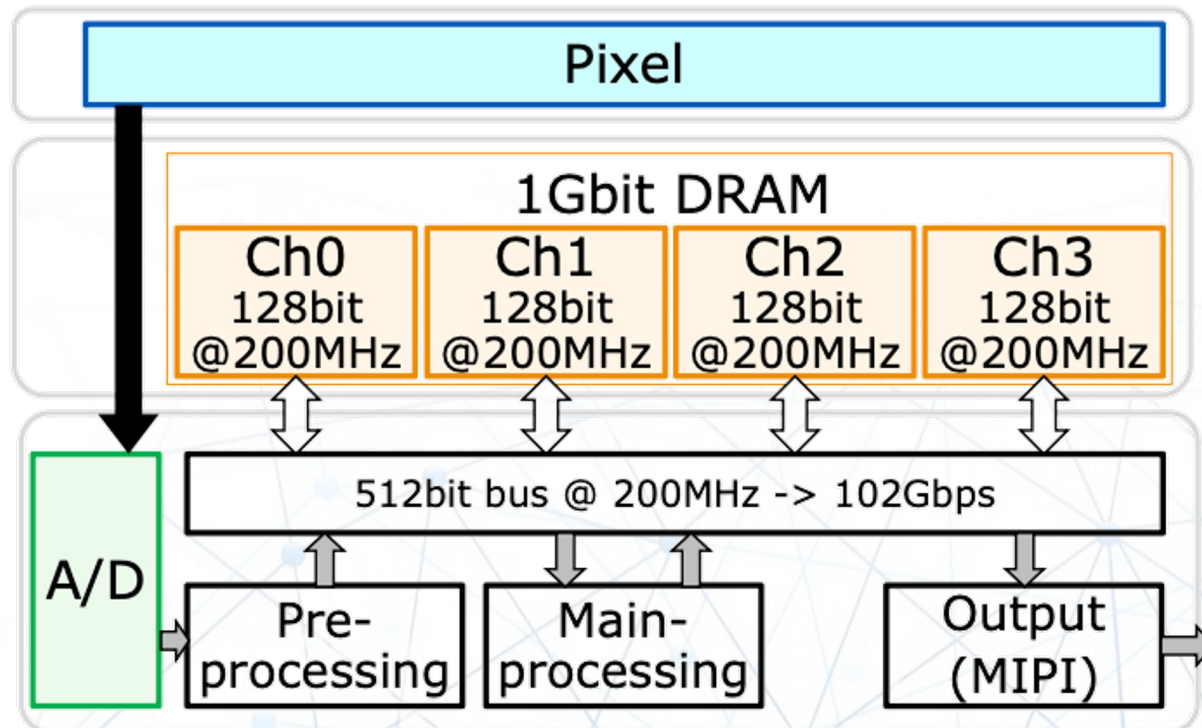


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Three Layer Stacked CIS with DRAM



- Enables slow-motion capture overcoming I/F limitation



Lidar (SPAD) with Cu-Cu Bonding

- Cu-Cu hybrid bonding enables single-photon-avalanche-diode (SPAD, dToF sensor) to enter the back illuminated era.

