

# Temporary Bonding of Electronic Devices

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## Coefficient Of Thermal Expansion (CTE)

- The fractional change in length or area or volume per unit change in temperature at a given constant temperature, typically presented as ppm/°C

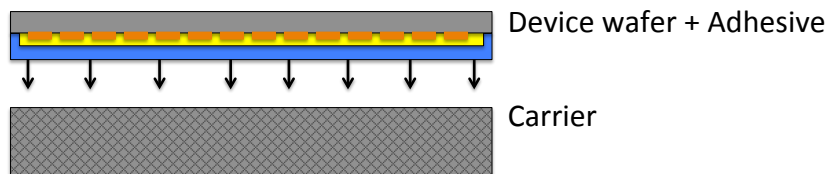


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## Carrier & Wafer Temp Bond



Item	Thickness	Modulus	CTE
Wafer (Si)	~100um	High 130 GPa	Low 3.1ppm
Adhesive (silicone)	~10um	Low 0.2-7 MPa	High 300ppm
Carrier (Si or glass)	>700um	High 74 GPa	Low 3.1ppm



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## Mechanical Energy

- Hook's law:  $F=k\Delta x$   
 $\sigma=E\varepsilon$
- ( $F$ =force,  $k$ =elastic constant,  $\Delta x$ =change in length,  $\sigma$ =stress,  $\varepsilon$ =deformation= $\Delta L/L_0$  where  $L_0$ =initial length,  $E$ =young's modulus/modulus of elasticity)
- By integration, energy  $U$  is:

$$U=1/2k (\Delta x)^2$$

As such, the area under  $\sigma$  vs.  $\varepsilon$  curve is energy  $U$  [J] per unit of volume [m<sup>3</sup>]



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## Thermal Expansion

- **Silicone.** Let's assume that we subject the sample to a change in temperature of 200K. For simplicity, we can assume a silicon bar of 300mm length (thickness=width=1mm)
- $\Delta L=\alpha_L * \Delta T * L_0$   
[ $\alpha$ =CTE,  $\Delta T$ =change temp]
- $\Delta L=(300*1/K*10^{-6})*200K*(0.3m)$
- $\Delta L=1.08*10^{-3} m$



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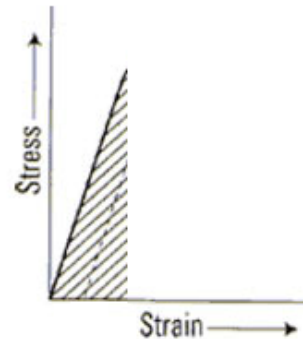


## Deformation Energy

- How much energy represents this deformation of **Silicone**:
- $\epsilon = \text{deformation} = \Delta L / L_0$
- $\epsilon = 1.08 \cdot 10^{-3} / 0.3 = 0.0036 = 0.36\%$
- $\sigma = E \cdot \epsilon$
- $\sigma = 2 \text{ GPa} \cdot 0.0036 \text{ mm/mm}$
- $\sigma = 7.2 \text{ MPa}$

This change in temperature is equivalent to applying 7.2MPa to the material

- $U/\text{Vol} = \text{area under the curve} = 1/2 \cdot \sigma \cdot \epsilon$
- $U/\text{Vol} = 7.2 \text{ MPa} \cdot 0.0036 \text{ mm/mm}$
- $U/\text{Vol} = 13 \cdot 10^3 \text{ J/m}^3$
- $U = 13 \cdot 10^3 \text{ J/m}^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ m}^3$
- $U = 3.89 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ J}$



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## How much does this energy represents to Silicon?

- Deform. Energy (assuming the same volume for Silicon sample)
- $U = 3.89 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ J}$
- $U = 13 \cdot 10^3 \text{ J/m}^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ m}^3$
- $U/\text{Vol} = 13 \cdot 10^3 \text{ J/m}^3$
- $U/\text{Vol} = 1/2 \cdot \epsilon \cdot \sigma$
- $U/\text{Vol} = 1/2 \cdot \epsilon \cdot E$
- $U/\text{Vol} = 1/2 \cdot \epsilon^2 E$
- $\epsilon = \sqrt{(2 \cdot 13 \cdot 10^3 \text{ J/m}^3 / 130 \text{ GPa})}^{1/2}$
- $\epsilon = 0.000446525 \text{ mm/mm}$
- $\epsilon = 0.045\%$

**Conclusion:** By using  $13 \cdot 10^3 \text{ J/m}^3$  a linear deformation of **0.36%** was induced on Silicone. Using the same energy, a deformation of **0.045%** was induced in Silicon.

Therefore, per each unit of linear deformation that we have in the adhesive Silicone, we will have **1/806** of deformation in the Silicon carrier!!!!



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## Thickness

- The distance through a substrate between corresponding points on the front and back surface. Thickness is expressed in microns or mils (thousandths of an inch).



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## Total Thickness Variation (TTV)

- The difference between the maximum and minimum values of thickness encountered during a scan pattern or series of point measurements. TTV is expressed in microns or mils (thousandths of an inch).
- The maximum variation in substrate thickness.

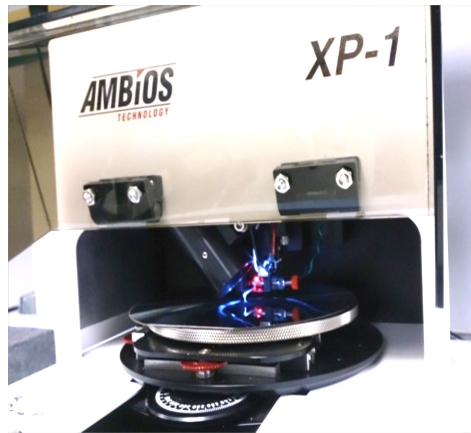


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## TTV



1. Surface Profilometer
  - Measure surface profile
  - Quantify roughness of a surface
  - Measure length: <3cm
  - Measurable height: 100μm

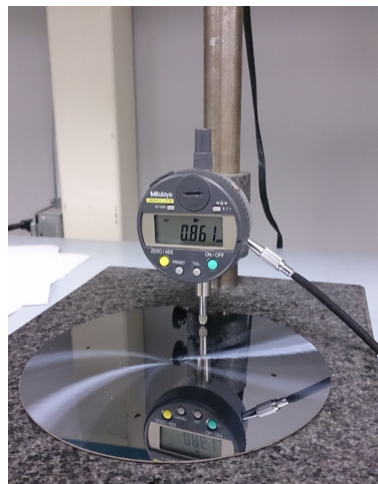


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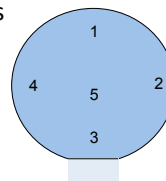
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## TTV



### 2. Drop Gauge

- Thickness measurements are taken at 5 spots



- $TTV = \text{Max thickness} - \text{Min thickness}$
- Thickness of wafer = average of the measurements

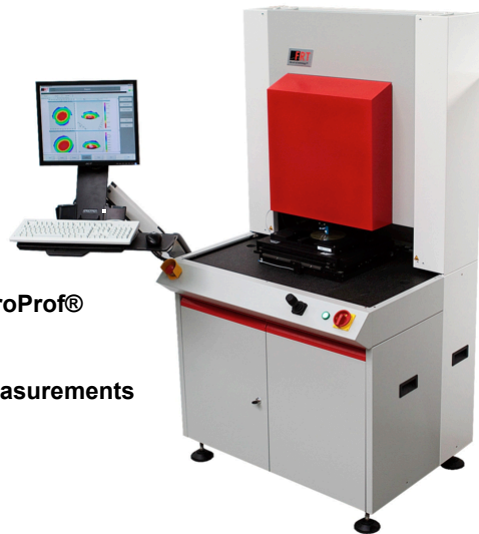
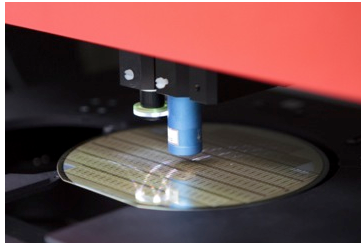


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### FRT MicroProf® Semi Automated Metrology Tools



- substrates measured on the MicroProf®
- established metrology tool
- easy to use, highly reliable
- 2D profile and 3D raster scan measurements
- variable scan area selection
- chromatic white light sensors
- IR and film thickness sensors
- TSV depth measurements

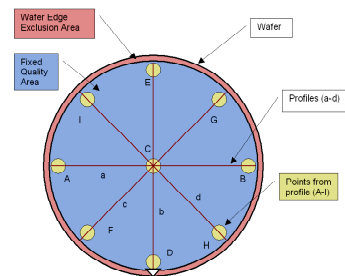
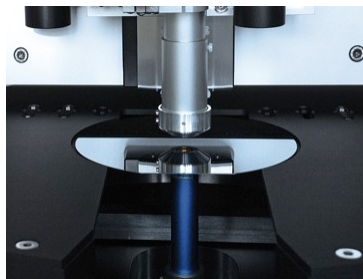


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### FRT MicroProf® TTV Measurements According to Semi Standards



- fully Semi compliant
- sawn, ground, polished wafers
- material independent (Si, sapphire, glass,..)
- recipe driven Semi compliant software

	MF1390	MF657	MF534	MF1530
Value	Warp	Warp, TTV	Bow	Flatness, Thickness, TTV
Methode	2-probe	2-probe	1-probe	2-probe
Flip wafer	Yes, wafer inversion method	No	Yes	No
Fixture	By mutual agreement	3-point reference plane	3-point	By mutual agreement



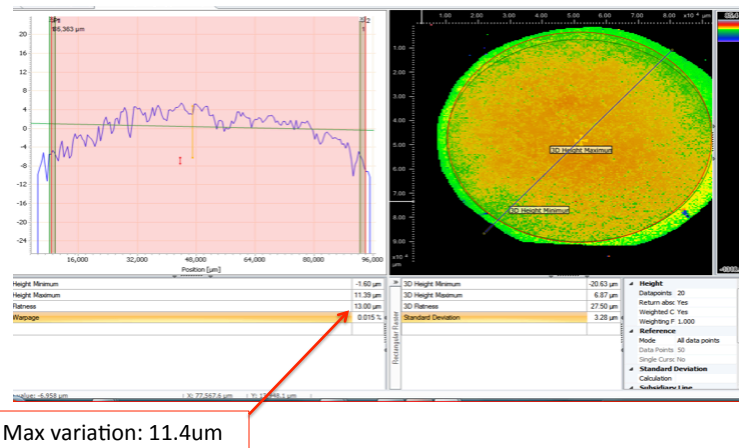
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Overview over relevant Semi standards



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## Wafer normalized, surface de-tilt



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## Bow

- Deviation of the center point of the median surface of a free, unclamped substrate from the median surface to the reference plane, where the reference plane is defined by three corners of an equilateral triangle.
- Concavity, curvature, or deformation of the wafer centerline independent of any thickness variation present.



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## Warp

- The difference between the maximum and minimum distances of the median surface of a free, unclamped substrate and a reference plane.
- Deviation from a plane of a substrate containing both convex and concave regions.



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## Flatness

- The deviation of the front surface, expressed in total indicator reading (TIR) or maximum focal plane deviation (FPD), relative to a specified reference plane when the back surface of the substrate is ideally flat
- Deviation from a plane of a substrate containing both convex and concave regions.

Total Indicator Reading (TIR): The span of readings, from maximum to minimum, for any dimension measured

Focal Plane Deviation (FPD): The largest of the absolute values of the deviations from a reference plane.



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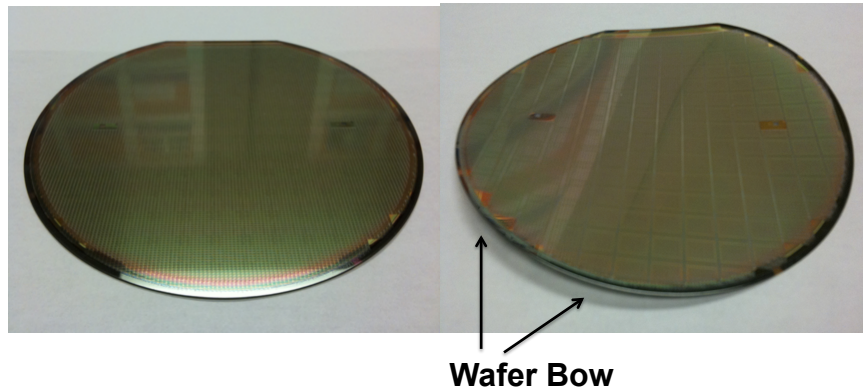
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# Bow/Warp Introduction

### Bowing – observed internal stress, metal layers

**Full thickness ~ 700um**

**Thinned ~ 100um**



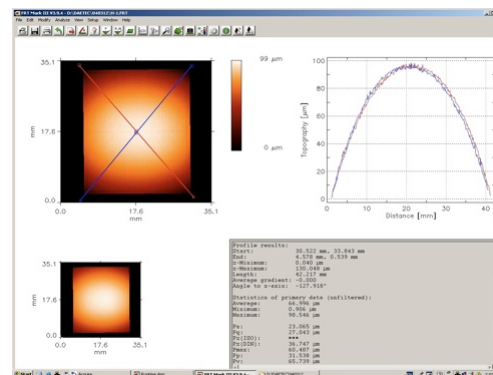
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# Interposer Initial Bow/Warp

- Bow, measured by optical profilometry
- Beginning bow varies from 100-120um
- Convex shape
- Must reduce to <40um



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## Significant Contributor

- Any metric in which changes cause significant variations to the final outcome of a technique or process.
- Main effect (e.g. CTE difference in thermal)



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## Bonded Stack

- Bonded pair of a device substrate and a carrier substrate with an adhesive interface.



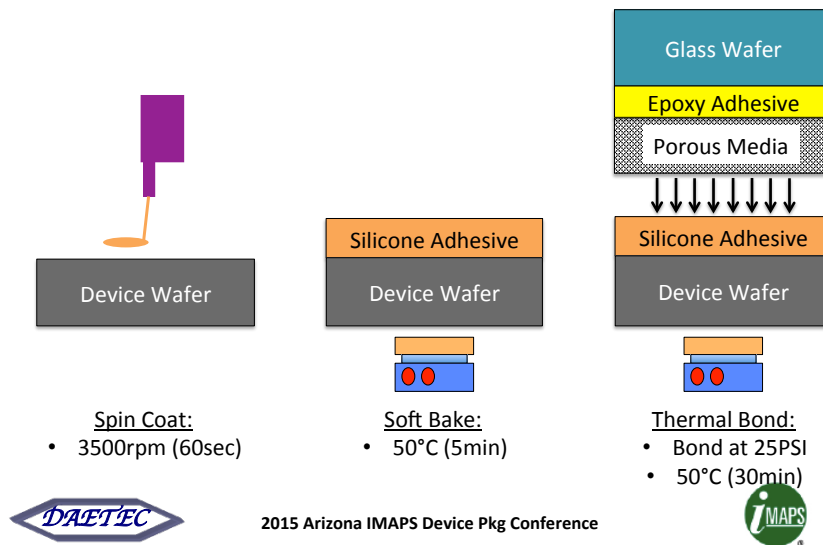
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## Forming a Bonded Stack



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## Cost of Ownership

- The full cost of embedding, operating, and decommissioning in a factory environment a process system needed to accommodate the required volume of a product material.



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## COO Defined (SEMI E35)

$$COO = \frac{F\$ + R\$ + Y\$}{L \times T \times Y \times U} = \frac{\text{Costs}}{\text{Product}}$$

Item	Definition
F\$	Fixed Costs
R\$	Recurring Costs
Y\$	Yield Cost (scrap)
L	Equipment Life
T	Throughput
Y	Composite Yield
U	Utilization

$$\frac{COO_2}{COO_1} = \frac{\text{New Process}}{\text{Existing Process}}$$



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## COO Value Calculation Example

$$\frac{COO_2}{COO_1} = \frac{\text{New Process}}{\text{Existing Process}}$$

Item	Definition	COO <sub>2</sub> vs. COO <sub>1</sub>	Explanation
F\$	Fixed Costs	F\$ <sub>1</sub> = 5.1 X R\$ <sub>1</sub> F\$ <sub>2</sub> = -0- or 1.2 X R\$ <sub>2</sub>	Existing tool as Materials Use in-house wet bench (-0-) or new bench
R\$	Recurring Costs	R\$ <sub>2</sub> = 0.75 X R\$ <sub>1</sub>	Materials Cost #2 (New) = 0.75 X #1 (Existing)
Y\$	Yield Cost (scrap)	Y\$ <sub>2</sub> = Y\$ <sub>1</sub> = 0	No loss for each tech.
L	Equipment Life	L <sub>2</sub> = L <sub>1</sub>	Same life
T	Throughput	T <sub>2</sub> = 8.3 X T <sub>1</sub>	New vs Existing = 8.3 X T <sub>1</sub>
Y	Composite Yield	Y <sub>2</sub> = Y <sub>1</sub>	Same yield
U	Utilization	U <sub>2</sub> = U <sub>1</sub>	Same maintenance



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## COO<sub>2</sub>/COO<sub>1</sub> Comparison Results

Comparison of COO Technologies	Use in-house Wet Bench (Batch)	New Wet Bench (Batch)
COO <sub>2</sub> /COO <sub>1</sub>	1.5%	3.2%

**Summary:** The COO of the new technology is projected to be between 1.5 – 3.2% of the COO of the existing technology (using in-house wet bench or buy new)



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## PP of New and Existing Lines

Payback Period Method	Use Existing Wet Bench (Batch)	New Wet Bench (Batch)
Throughput considered	<1mo	~1mo.
Remove Throughput	4mos	10mos



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## B. Adhesion Theory (Definitions)

- Adherend (substrate)
- Adherate (coating or adhesive)
- Adhering system
- Adhint (adhesive joint)
- Heterohesion (different)
- Homohesion (self)



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## Homohesion (Ex.)

- Glass fusion
- Glass on glass – display manufacture
- Glass is a supercooled liquid. Under ideal conditions of cleanliness, glass contact causes fusion (ideal adhering system)



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## Adhesion Types

- Mechanical
- Adsorption
- Surface energy
- Electrostatic
- Diffusion
- Chemical
- Other (WBL, Viscoelastic, AB)



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## Mechanical (Interlocking)

- Adhesion proportional to surface roughness
- Adhesion proportional to surface area (porosity or roughness)
- Adhesion proportional to amount of adherend used to interact with the surfaces
- Maximize by knowledge of adherend (substrate) surface condition prior to application
- Measure by surface roughness (profilometer)



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## Drawbacks

- Roughness exceeds sufficient amount of adherend to make contact with such surface area
- Mechanics of bonding is not sufficient to allow adherend to make contact with surface area (i.e. insufficient pressure)



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## Adsorption

- Adherend (substrate) is porous
- Examples: wood, paper, porous metals or ceramics, and certain permeable polymers
- Adherate (adhesive) is applied as a casting, is absorbed and fixed into the surface



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## Surface Energy

- Basic requirement:
  - SE (adherate) < SE (adherend)
  - Coatings preferred to be low surface energy
  - Substrates preferred to be high surface energy
  - Items can be maximized by surfactants (adherate/coating) & surface treatment (adherend/substrate)
  - Measure by contact angle & surface tension



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## Chemical Adhesion

- Covalent bonding between adherate (adhesive) and adherend (substrate)
- Coupling agents (primers) are common
- Chemical reaction with the adherend
- Coupling agent is commonly very thin
- Coupling agent becomes the adherend
- Coupling agent exhibits chemical/mechanical adhesion with the adherate (photoresist)



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## Electrostatic Adhesion

- Static electricity – polarization is established between two adherends using embedded electrodes in one surface
- Common with dielectric materials where electrical charges can be generated
- Electrostatic gripping devices



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## Diffusion Adhesive

- Common with thermoplastics
- Method includes thermal and chemical
  - Plastic to plastic bonding (i.e. lucite & TCA), where TCA is the temporary coupling agent
  - TCA facilitates co-mingling of adhere with adherend
- Common with application of paint (adherate) to plastic (adherend) forms



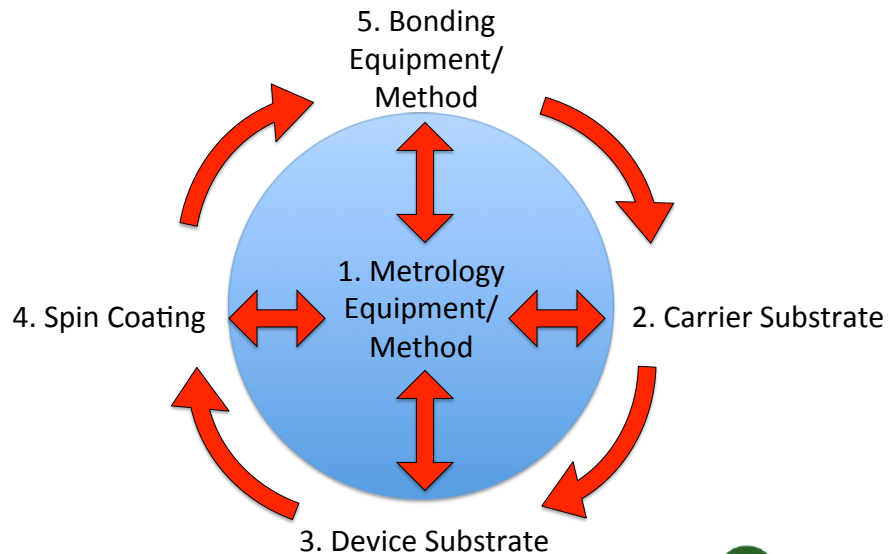
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## Temporary Bonding

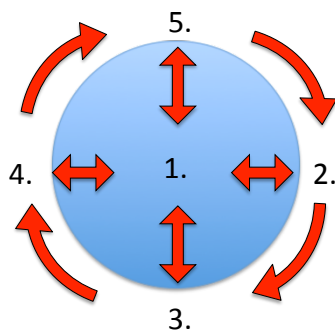


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## 5 Components of Temporary Bonding:



### 1. Metrology Equipment/Method

- a. Has the equipment been tested? Are internal standards available? Is there a Standard Operating Procedure that can be replicated at any laboratory?

### 2. Carrier Substrate;

- a. Is the substrate flat (TTV)? Is the substrate clean? Begin with a transparent substrate?

### 3. Device Substrate:

- a. Is the substrate flat/clean? What metals are present? What kind of topography is present? What is the initial substrate thickness? What is the final substrate thickness?

### 4. Spin Coating:

- a. What material is being used? What kind of bond does this material permit? How reproducible is the coating? What environmental concerns need to be addressed?

### 5. Bonding Equipment/Method:

- a. What defects can the bond process hide? How large is the process window for bonding? Has this equipment been tested and qualified?

**NOTE: All Steps are dependent on Metrology Equipment/Method.**

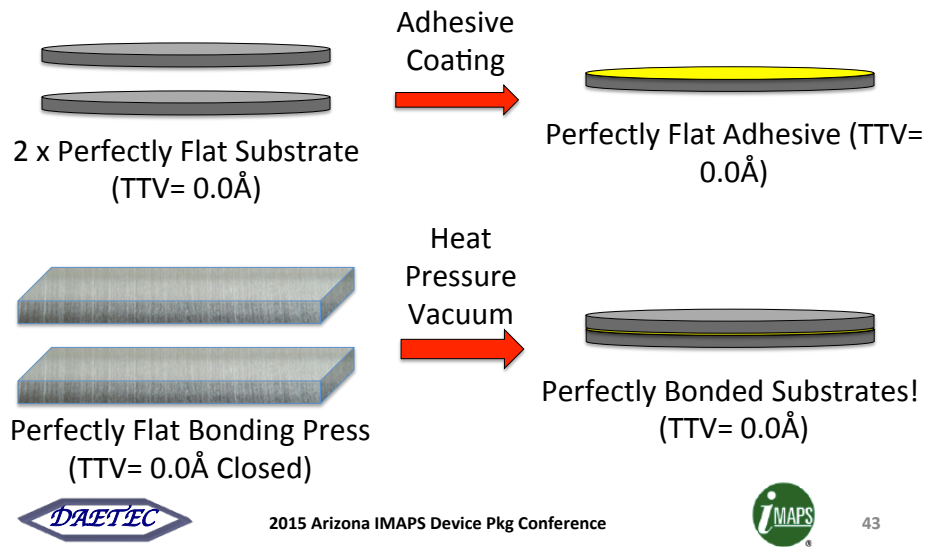


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## Temporary Bonding Is Easy!



## Reality Check

Description	Reality
 2 x Perfectly Flat Substrate (TTV= 0.0Å)	Typical Wafer TTV <5μm Wafers Available TTV <1μm
 Perfectly Flat Adhesive (TTV= 0.0Å)	Typical Coating TTV <5μm Optimized Coating TTV <2μm
 Perfectly Flat Bonding Press (TTV= 0.0Å Closed)	Typical Bonder TTV <2μm High End Bonder TTV <0.5μm



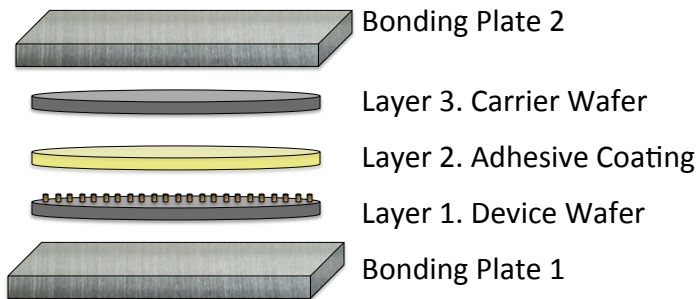
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## Look At Each Layer Independently

- To develop a temporary bonding process, it is useful to look at each layer in the Bonded Stack as a separate entity.



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## C. Key Properties and Measurement

- CTE
- Thermal Resistance
- Chemical Resistance
- Geometry (TTV, Bow, Warp, Size)



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## CTE Mismatch

- CTE is typically provided by materials suppliers.
- Stresses, observed as work unit deformation occurs due to a collusion of effects working in concert:
  - Adhesive/Carrier CTE Relationship
  - Adhesive Strain
  - Adhesive Tensile
  - Adhesive Thickness
  - Adhesion Force
  - Carrier Stiffness
  - Carrier Thickness

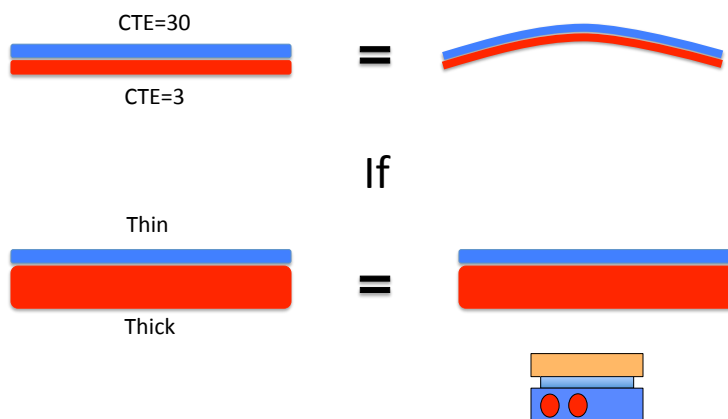


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## CTE and Thickness

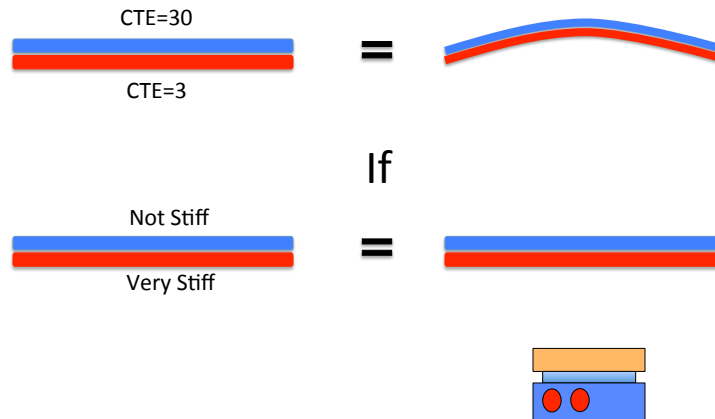


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## CTE and Stiffness

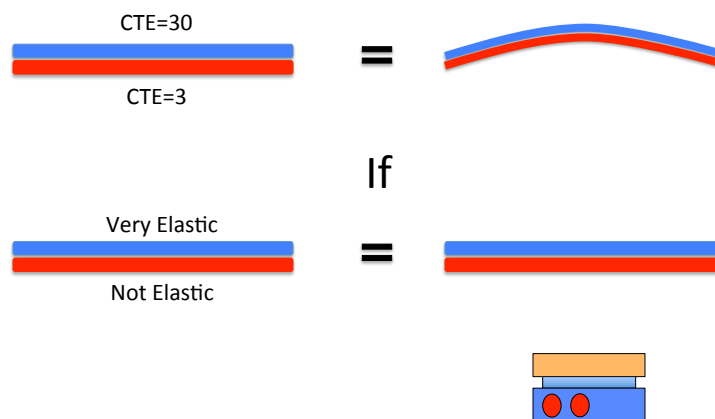


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## CTE and Strain (Elasticity)

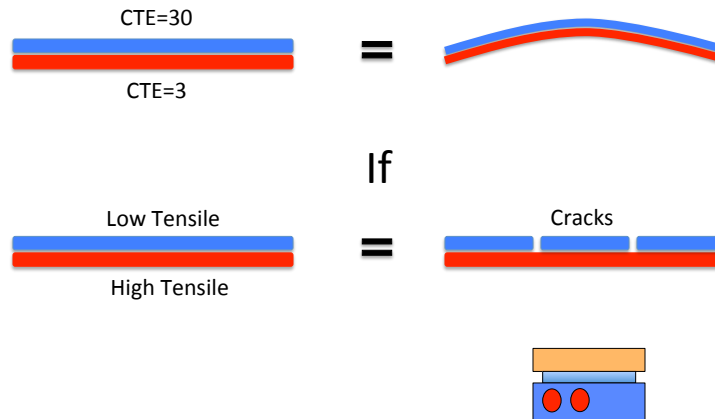


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## CTE and Tensile

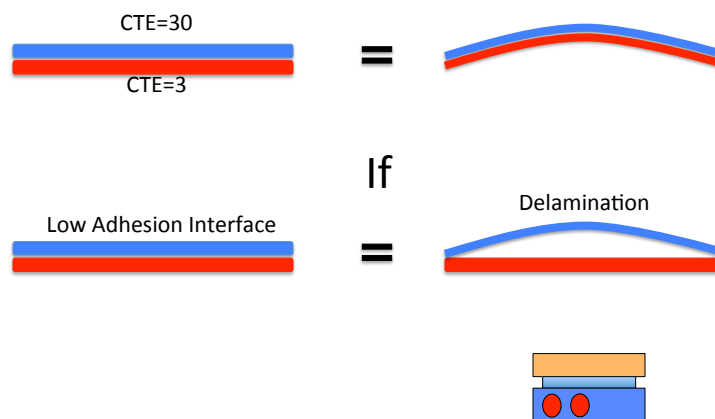


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## CTE and Adhesion



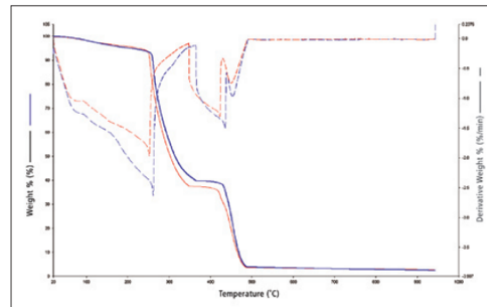
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# Thermal Resistance

- Thermogravimetric Analysis (TGA) is the most commonly used metric to qualify thermal stability of adhesive materials.
- Vacuum pump down time at temperature.



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## Chemical Resistance

- Various methods, gravimetric recommended

Paraffin	A	A	A	A	A	B	B	A	A	B	A	A	B	A	A	A	A	A
Pentane	A	C	C	A	B	A	B	B	A	D	A	A	A	D	A	B	D	D
Perchloroethylene <sup>1</sup>	B	A	A	A	C	C	B	B	A	D	A	D	A	D	D	A	C	D
Petrolatum	A	A	A	B	B	C	B	B	A	D	A	A	A	B	A	A	A	D
Phenol 10%	B	A	A	A	B	C	B	B	D	A	C	A	A	A	B	B	C	D
Phenol (Carbolic Acid)	B	A	A	A	B	C	B	B	D	A	C	A	C	C	D	D	B	A
Phosphoric Acid (40% Solution)	B	A	A	D	A	C	D	D	D	A	B	A	A	D	D	C	B	A
Phosphoric Acid (40% - 100% Solution)	C	B	B	D	A	C	D	D	D	A	B	A	A	D	D	C	B	A
Phosphoric Acid (Crude)	C	D	C	D	C	A	D	D	D	D	A	B	A	A	D	D	C	B
Phosphoric Anhydride (Dry or Molat)	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	D	A	D	D	D	C	A
Phosphoric Anhydride (Molten)	A	A	D	A	D	D	D	A	C	D	A	A	A	A	A	D	C	D
Photographic (Developer)	C	C	G	C	A	A	D	A	A	A	C	B	A	A	A	A	A	C
Phthalic Anhydride	B	A	B	B	A	B	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A
Plitic Acid	B	A	A	C	A	D	D	D	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	A
Plating Solutions																		
Antimony Plating 130° F	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	A
Arsenic Plating 110° F	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	D	A
Brass Plating																		
Regular Brass Bath 100° F	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	D	A
High Speed Brass Bath 110° F	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	H	D	A	D	A
Bronze Plating																		
Copper-Cadmium Bronze Bath R.T.	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	A	D	A
Copper-Tin Bronze Bath 160° F	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	D	A	A	A	A	A	D	A	B
Copper-Zinc Bronze Bath 100° F	F	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	A	A	D
Cadmium Plating																		
Cyanide Bath 90° F	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	C	A	A	A

A — No effect — Excellent  
 B — Minor effect — Good  
 C — Moderate effect — Fair  
 D — Severe effect — Not recommended

1. P.V.C. — Satisfactory to 72° F.  
 2. Polypropylene — Satisfactory to 72° F.  
 3. Polypyrrolene — Satisfactory to 120° F.  
 4. Buna-N — Satisfactory for O' Rings  
 5. Polyacetal — Satisfactory to 72° F.  
 6. Ceram — Satisfactory to 72° F.



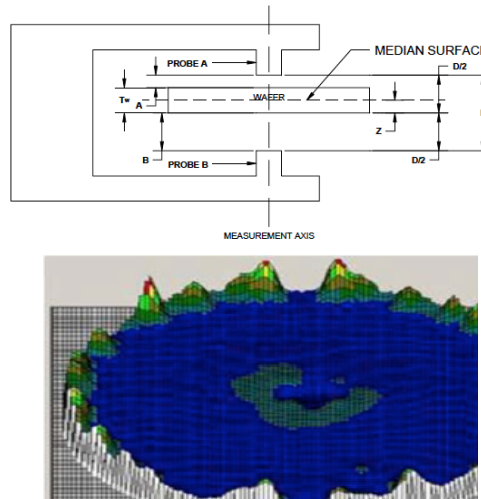
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## Geometry: TTV

- Calibrate
- Measurement
  - Grid
  - Points
  - Surface[7]
- Characterization



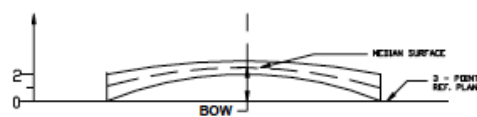
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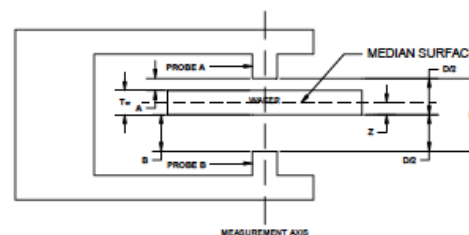
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# Bow

- Note the median surface center point
- TTV variations removed by calculation
- Positive value = convex
- Negative value = concave



**Figure 3**



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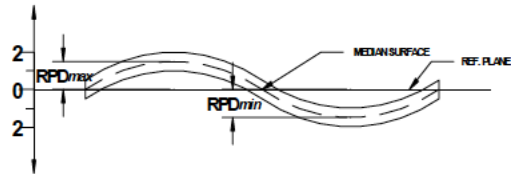


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## Warp

- More detailed than bow, but references the entire median plane
- TTV variations removed
- Distance from the reference plane (RPD)



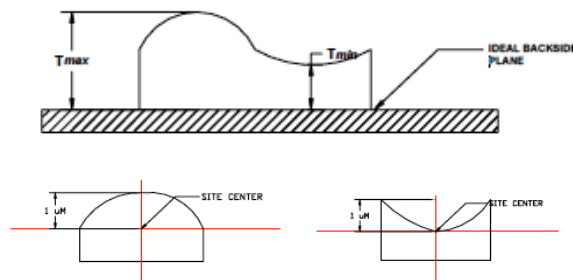
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## Geometry vs Forces

- Pressure required to flatten substrate
- Surface Area
- TTV, CTE are "fixed"



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## D. Applied Concepts: Spin Coating

- Generate an in-house spin-speed curve for the material.
- Re-create this curve periodically, this simple test should indicate the stability of the R&D lab to coating variations.
- Optimized spin coating
  - Devoid of particles
  - No bubbles
  - Flat
  - Lowest possible adhesive usage
  - Fastest possible cure
  - Covers all topography with a “safety zone”



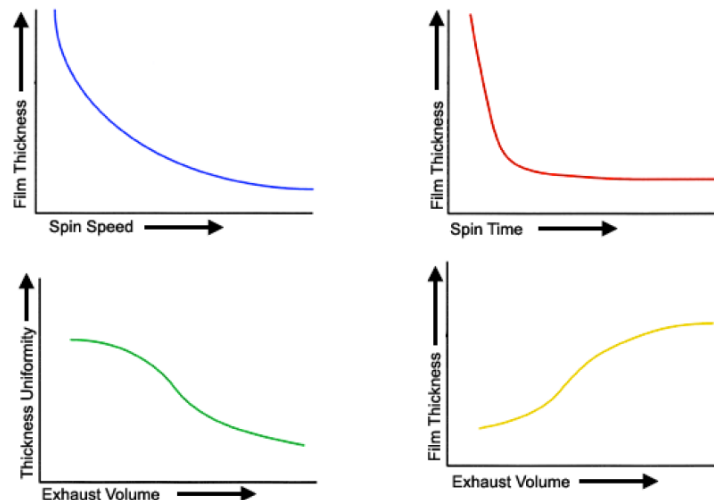
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## Spin Coating

General Process Trends Visualized



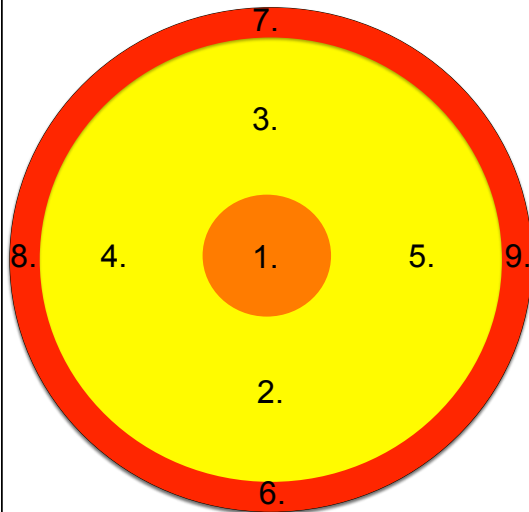
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# Spin Coating

5 and 9 Point Metrology



- 5 Point metrology is able to identify many effects with the substrate.
- 9 Point metrology is needed for temporary bonding to quantify the edge bead.



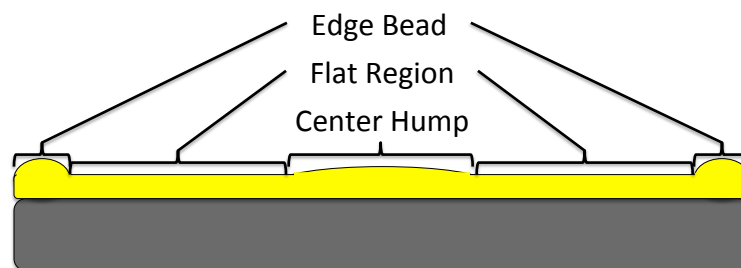
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# Spin Coating

Non-Optimized Spin Coating Profile



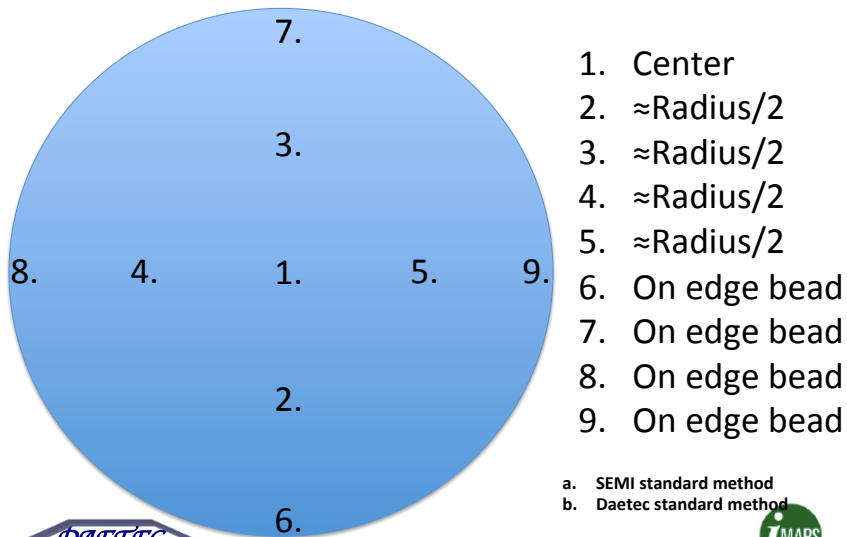
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# Spin Coating

5<sup>a</sup> and 9<sup>b</sup> Point Metrology



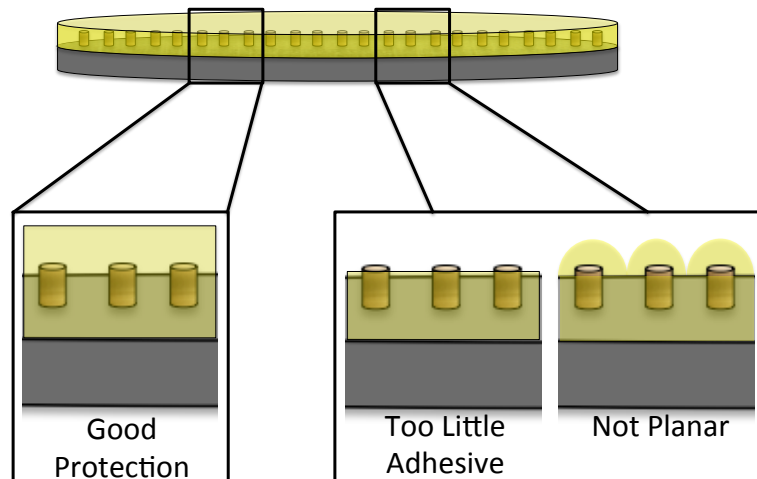
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# Spin Coating

Topography Considerations



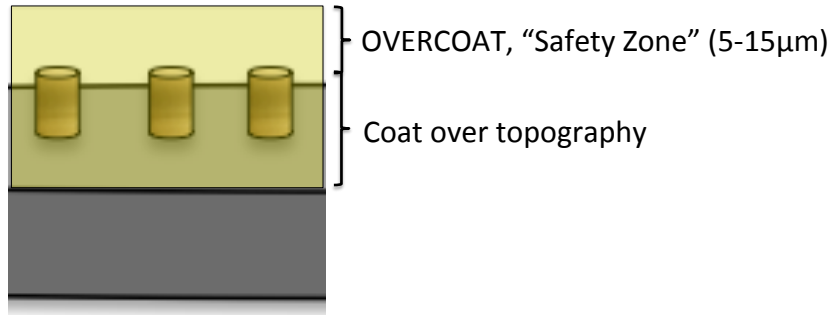
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## Spin Coating

Overcoat "Safety Zone" For Topography Protection



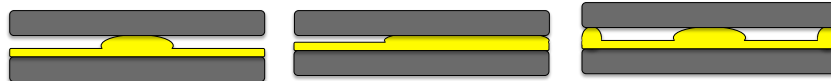
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## Spin Coating

Center Hump Is Too Tall



- Bonded region may be only in the center, sloped, or center and edge bead.
- The center hump can be eliminated by changing the spin process:
  - Increase lag time after dispense.
  - Dynamic dispense.
  - Slow acceleration to maximum spin-speed.



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## Spin Coating

Edge Bead Is Too Tall



- Bonded region may be only on the edge bead, or on the center and edge bead.
- The edge bead can be eliminated by changing the spin process:
  - At the end of the spin process, a brief, high-speed spin to “throw off” the edge bead.\*
  - At the end of the spin process, a brief, slow-speed spin with a solvent stream to “spray off” the edge bead.\*
  - “Cut off” the edge bead with a razor blade after cure.\*

\*Commercially available equipment is available to automate these processes.



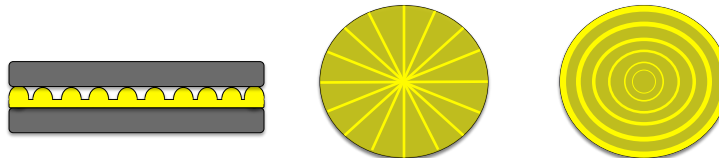
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## Spin Coating

Coating Is Wavy



- A wavy surface can appear as grid like pattern of voids, radial spokes, or concentric circle.
- Wavy coatings can be eliminated by:
  - Increase lag time after dispense.
  - Dynamic dispense.
  - Slow acceleration to maximum spin-speed.
  - Decrease exhaust rate.
  - Low temperature soft bake (70-90°C).



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## Spin Coating

Irregular Tall/Short Region



- Irregular surface with no noticeable pattern, is usually due to bubbles, particles, or non-uniform viscosity.
- Irregular surfaces can be eliminated by:
  - Point of use filtration
  - Particle management in the lab
  - Degas sample prior to coating
  - Check dispensing nozzle for burrs and contamination



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## Adhesive Types

Parameter	100% Solids	Pressure Sensitive Adhesive (Tape)	Thermal Bonding
Bond Temp.	Room Temperature	Room Temperature	> Melting Point of Adhesive
Adhesive Treatment	Removal of Excessive Adhesive	Outgas at Process Temp.	Outgas at Process Temp.
TTV Control	Easy	Difficult	Easy
Bond Strength	Strong	Good	Good
Bubbles Removal	Apply Vacuum while bonding	Difficult	Apply Vacuum while bonding
Bond Pressure	Low	Low	High
Disadvantage	No Outgas Step	Hard to control TTV	High Temperature Bonding

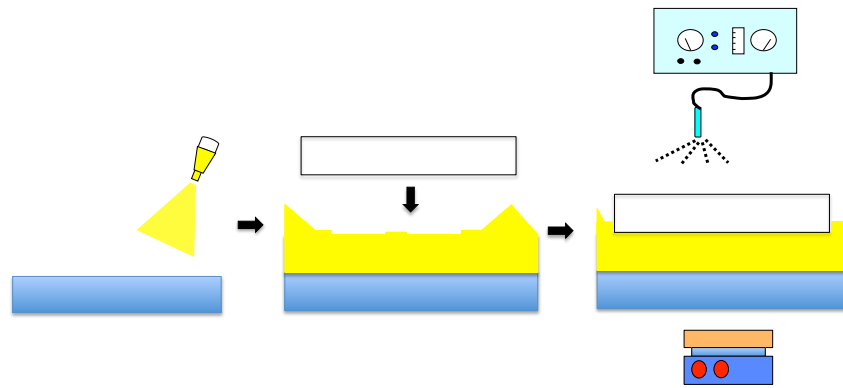


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## 100% Solids

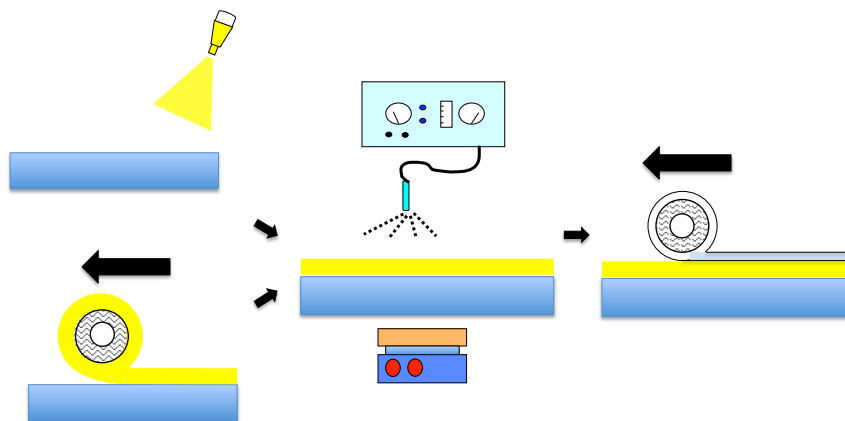


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## Pressure Sensitive Adhesive (Tape)



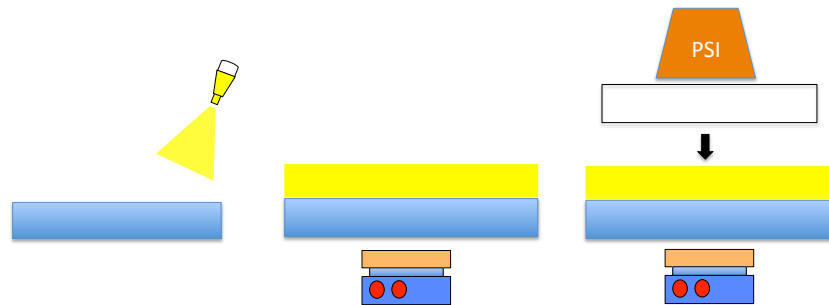
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## Thermal Bonding



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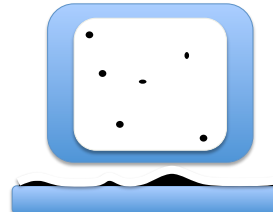
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## Vacuum

Bond @ No/Low Vacuum



Processing - Irregularities



Bond @ Process Vacuum



Processing – free of bubbles

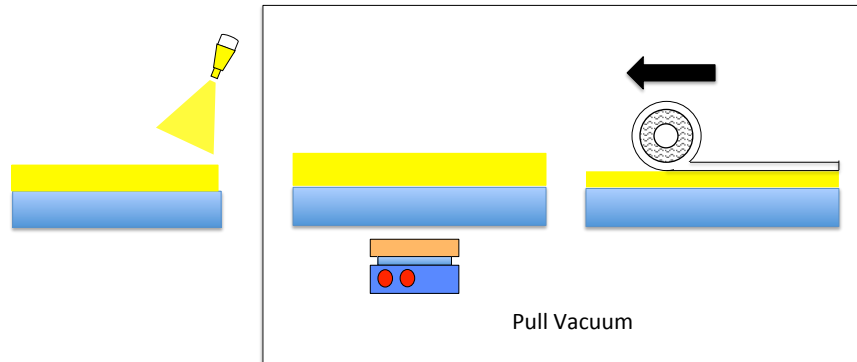


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## Elimination of Voids

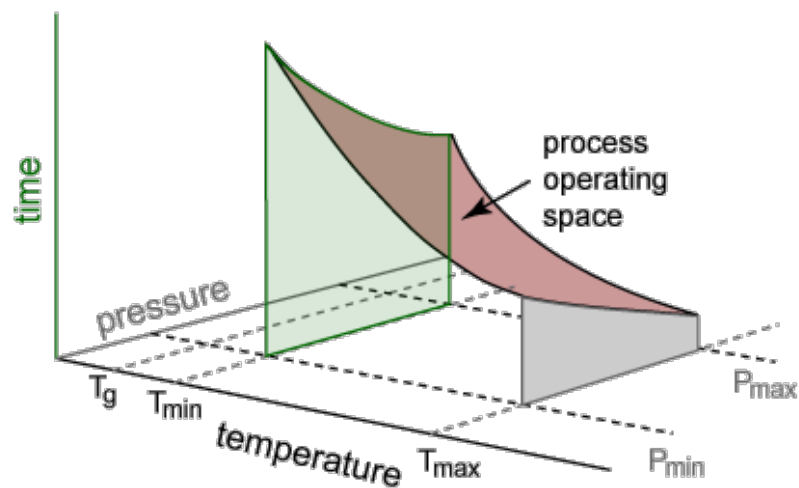


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## Bonding



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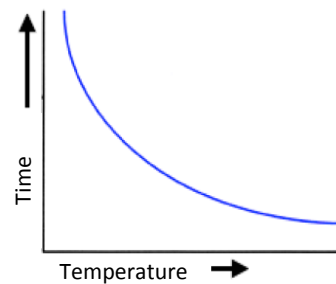


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# Bonding

## Time/Temperature Relationship

- Temperature  $\propto$  Time<sup>-1</sup>
- An “optimized” system will result in the highest possible yields.
- A low temperature, short time bond would be the ideal cost situation.
- During testing, begin at high temperatures, long time, and work down.



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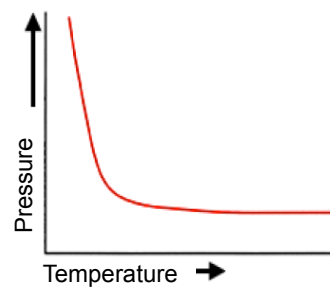


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# Bonding

## Pressure/Temperature Relationship

- Temperature  $\propto$  Pressure<sup>-1</sup>
- A low temperature, low pressure bond would be the ideal cost situation.
- During testing, begin at high pressure, high temperature, and work down.



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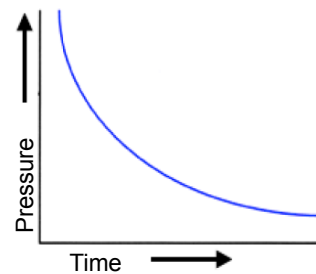


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## Bonding

Pressure/Time Relationship

- Time  $\propto$  Pressure<sup>-1</sup>
- A short time low pressure bond would be the ideal cost situation.
- During testing, begin at long time, high pressure, and work down.



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## Bonding

Bow



Flat Bonding Press  
(TTV=2 $\mu$ m Closed)

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Flat Silicon Wafer (TTV=0.5 $\mu$ m)



Adhesive Coated Bowed Substrate  
(Bow=50 $\mu$ m)

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Wafer Flattened During  
Bonding (TTV=3 $\mu$ m)



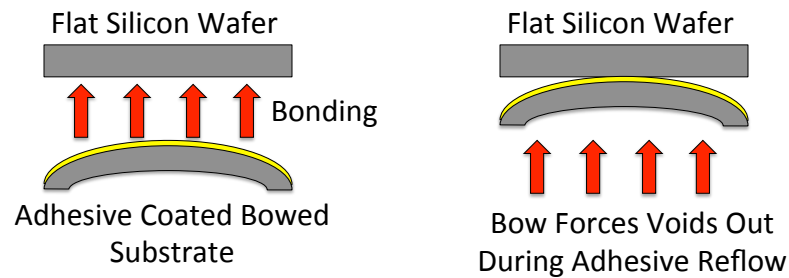
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## Bonding

Why is Convex Bow Easy to Bond?



- This configuration can actually make a void free bond easier to obtain.



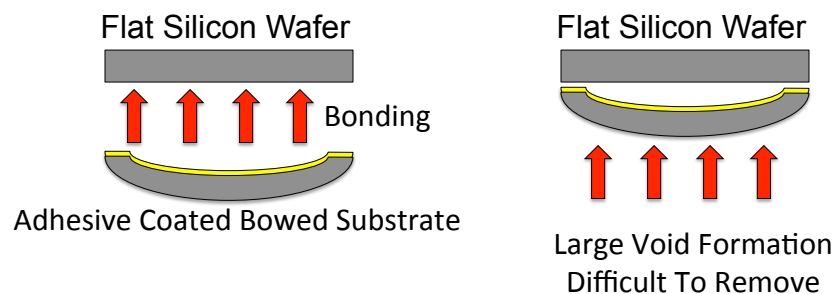
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## Bonding

Why is Concave Bow Difficult to Bond?



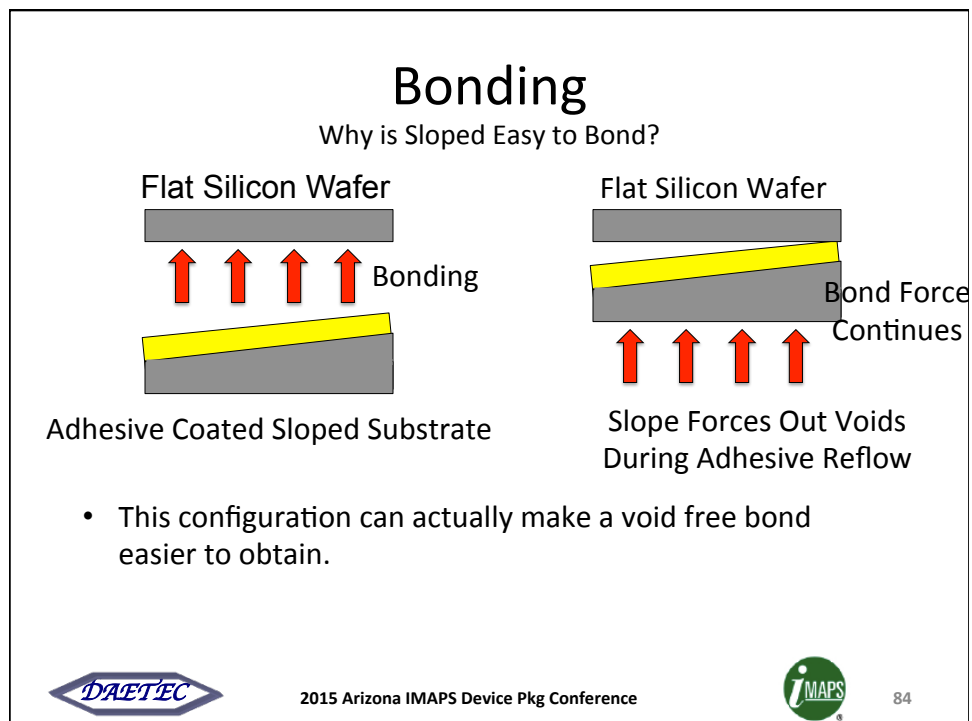
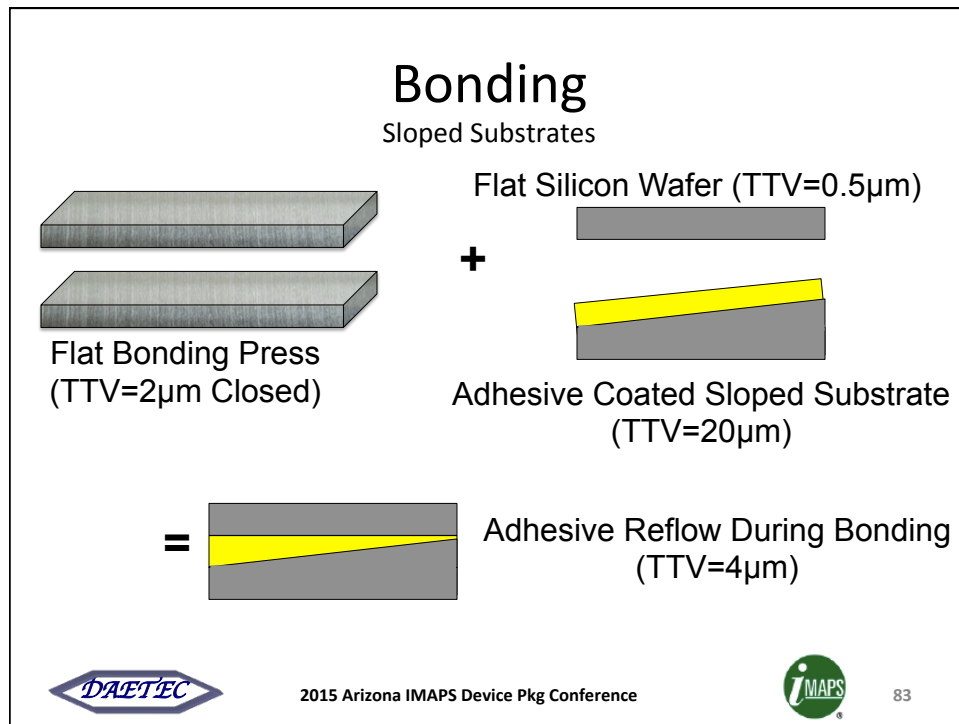
- Just by changing the orientation of the bow, bonding becomes much more difficult.
- This challenge can be overcome by applying pressure without applying heat (wafer can flatten before tack is developed)



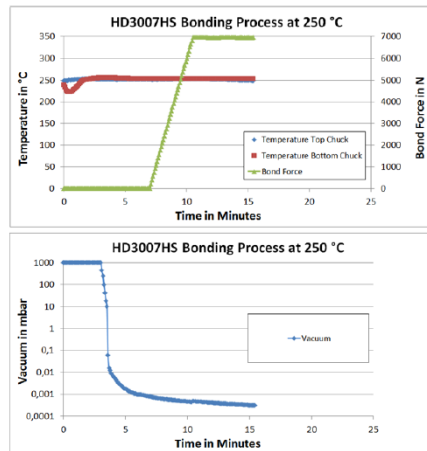
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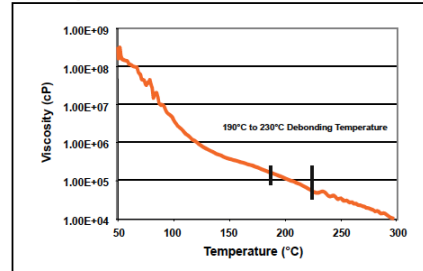
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## Bonding Examples



### Rheology



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## 2. Wafers

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- Commercialized Technologies
- Case Studies

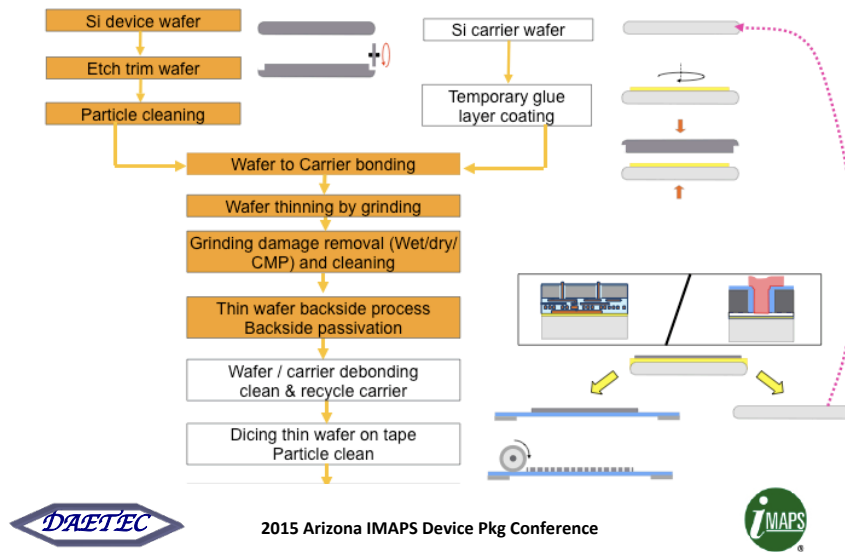


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## A. Process Overview



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## Thinning Trends

- Wafer thinning offers many benefits
- Temporary bonding continues to be a key challenge
- Wafer thickness is expected to drop over time

2012	2017 (est.)
MEMS substrates 500-100μ	MEMS substrate 150μ
MEMS capping 100-300μ	MEMS capping 50μ
ASIC MEMS 100-150μ	ASIC MEMS 100μ
CIS Packaging 200μ	CIS Packaging 75μ
CIS BSI <10μ	CIS BSI 3μ
Memories 100-150μ	Memories 25μ
Logic 300μ	Logic 200μ
Power Devices 75μ	Power Devices 30μ
RF Devices 300μ	RF Devices 50μ
LEDs 100μ	LEDs 80μ
PI 180-200μ	PI 140-160μ



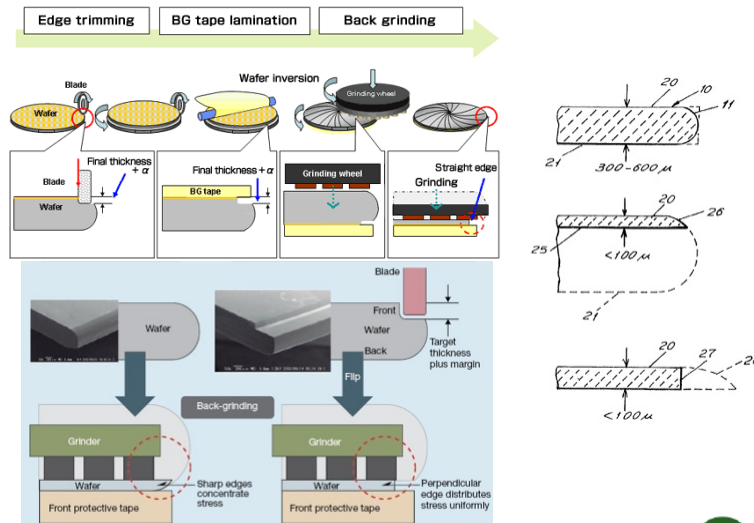
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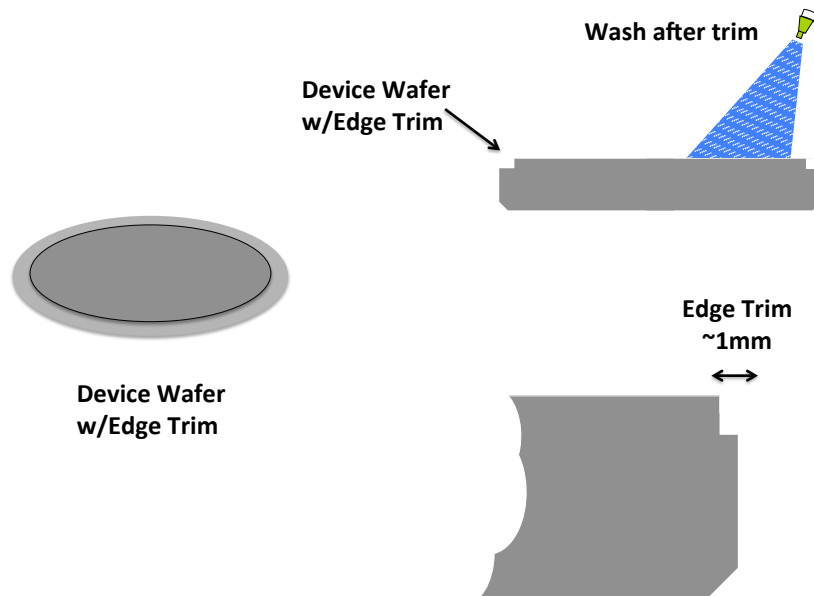
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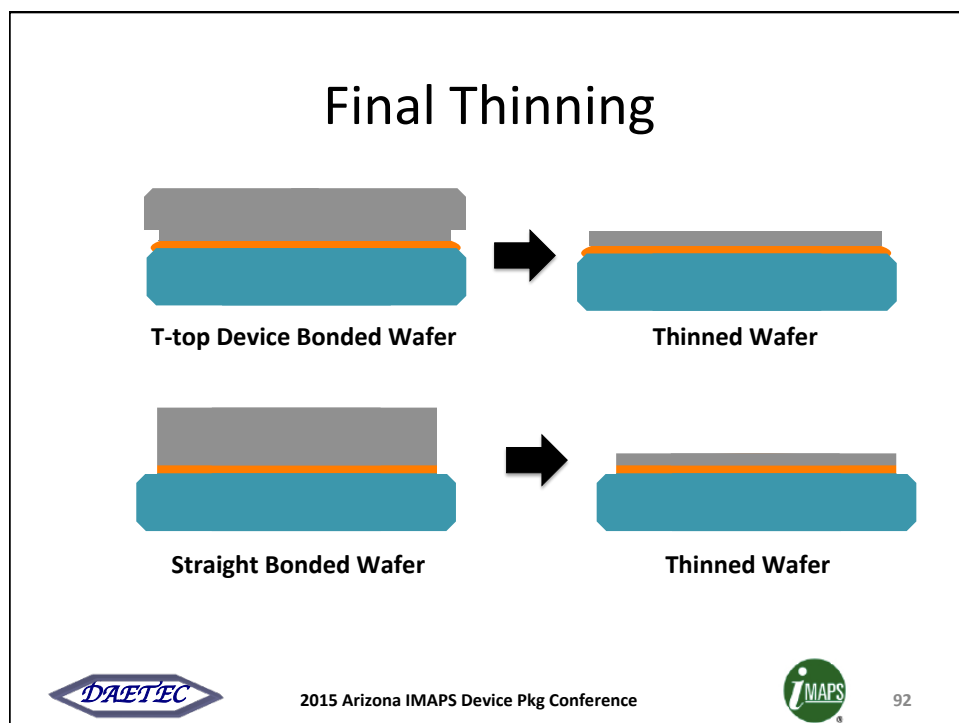
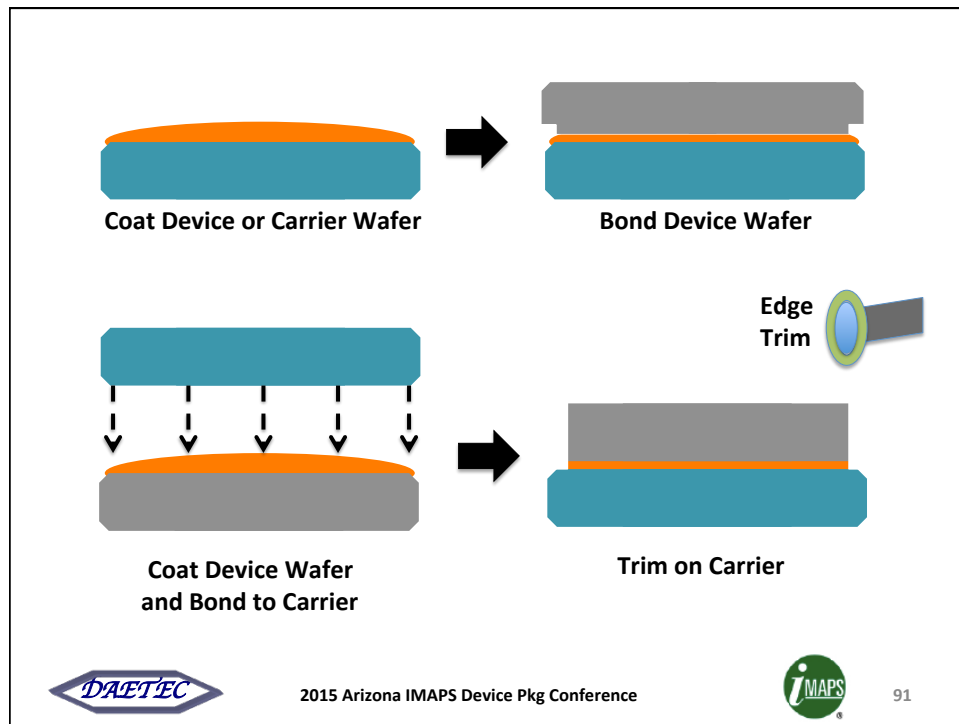
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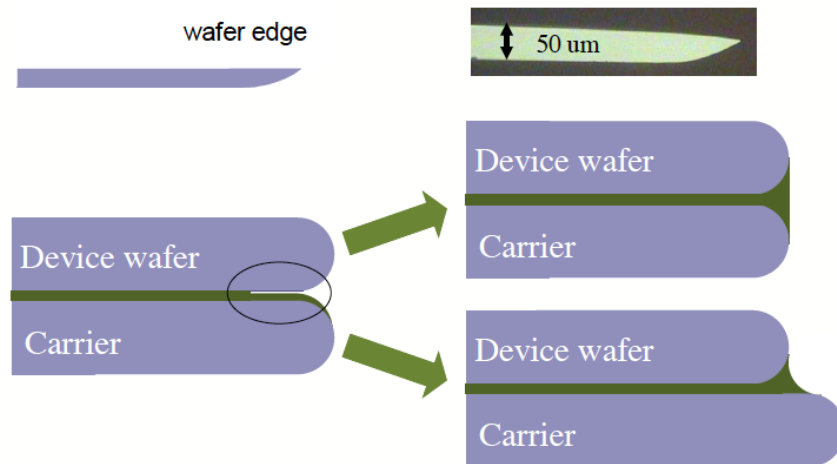
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## Oversize Carriers



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## Bond Types

- 100% Solids Wet Bond
  - Pro: Fast, low pressure/time/temperature bonding, easy to remove voids, covers large topography
  - Con: No post bake prior to bond, squeeze out
- Thermoplastic Bond
  - Pro: Well qualified, significant control of bonding
  - Con: High temperature/time/pressure bonding
- Pressure Sensitive Adhesive
  - Pro: Fast cure, low pressure/time/temperature bonding, TTV easy to control
  - Con: Difficult to remove voids, lower adhesion force



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## B. Carriers

- Silicon
- Glass
- Sapphire
- Tape



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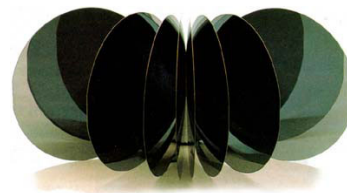
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## Carriers

Silicon

Property	Value
CTE, linear	2.6 ppm/°C
Hardness	7 Mohs
Shear Modulus	64.1 Gpa
Young's Modulus	129-186.5 Gpa

- Standard Carrier
- Preferred for most applications



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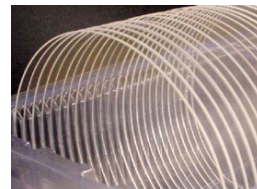
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# Carriers

## Glass

Property	Value
CTE, linear	3.1 ppm/°C
Hardness	5 Mohs
Shear Modulus	30.1 Gpa
Young's Modulus	73.6 Gpa

- Transparency is the key feature
- Structurally weak compared to other substrates



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# Carriers

## Quartz

Property	Value
CTE, linear	0.55 ppm/°C
Hardness	7 Mohs
Shear Modulus	31 Gpa
Young's Modulus	72 Gpa

- Transparency is the key feature
- Structurally weak compared to other substrates



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## Carriers

### Sapphire

Property	Value
CTE, linear	5.9-9 ppm/°C
Hardness	9 Mohs
Shear Modulus	145 Gpa
Young's Modulus	345 Gpa

- Structural integrity is the key feature
- High cost, # of recycles must be high



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## Carriers

### Perforated



- Almost exclusively sapphire
- Developed for chemical release



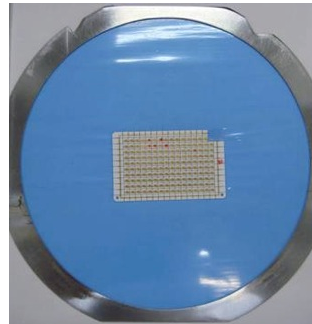
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## Carriers

Tape



- Ok for minimal post processing
- Minimal tooling required



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## C. Commercialized Technologies

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- Pro/con

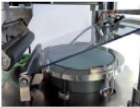
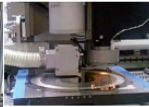




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# Overview

	Mechanical Peel	Laser assisted debonding	Thermal slide	Chemical release (as available today)
				
	The carrier wafer is peeled off using a vacuum roller making use of a plexyglass protecting sheet	Laser breaks the molecular bonds in the adhesive or release layer at the interface to the glass carrier	Viscosity of the adhesive is reduced at elevated temperature which enables to slide off the thin wafer	A solvent penetrates through a porous carrier and dissolves the adhesive between carrier & device wafer
Debonding eq. cost	2,5 mio\$	> 2,5 mio\$	Med	> 2,5 mio\$
Carrier Type	Silicon, Glass	Glass, Sapphire	Silicon	Perf. Sapphire
Carrier cost	Low	Low	Low	Very high
Carrier availability	Up to 12"	Up to 12"	Up to 12"	Up to 6-8"
Stress	Low	Mid	High/Fail	None
TTV	Good	Good	Good	Poor (shadows)
CTE match	100%	Acceptable	100%	Acceptable
Throughput	High (20-30 wph)	High	Low (15-25 wph)	Low (15 wph)



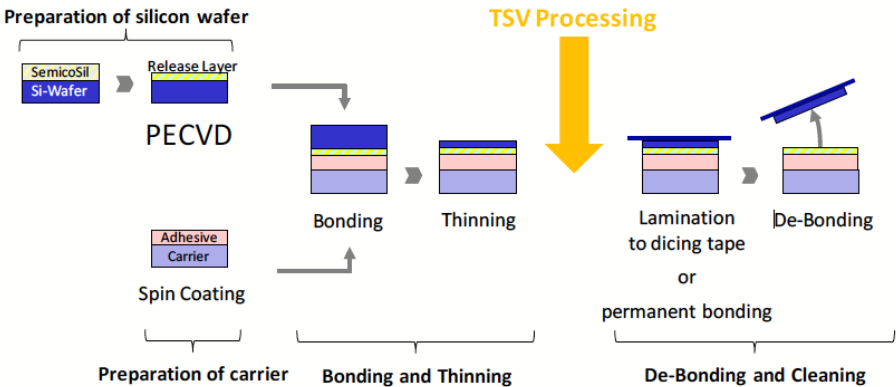
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# Process Flows

Peelable Glue



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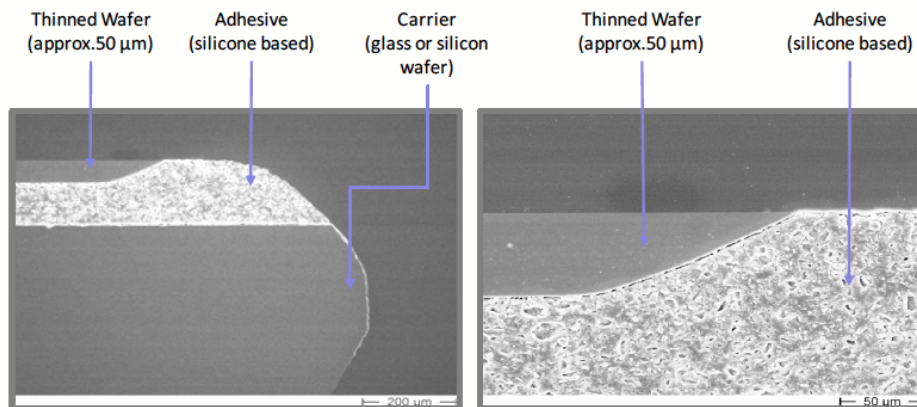


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## Process Flows

### Peelable Glue



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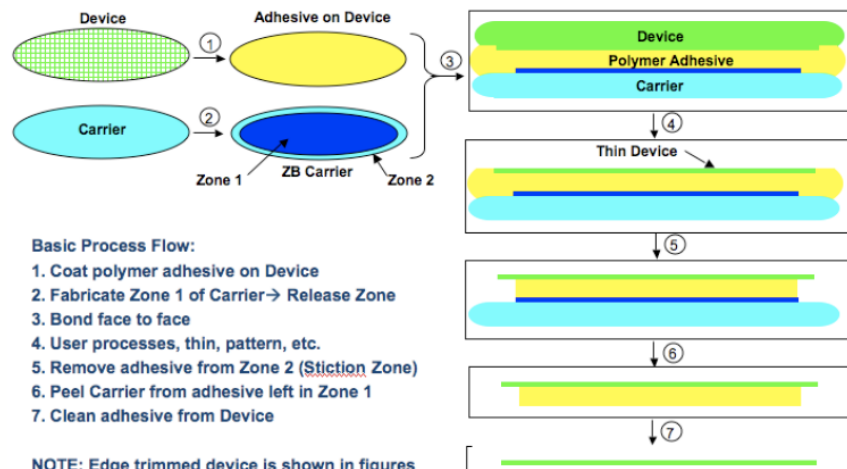
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## Process Flows

### Peelable Carrier



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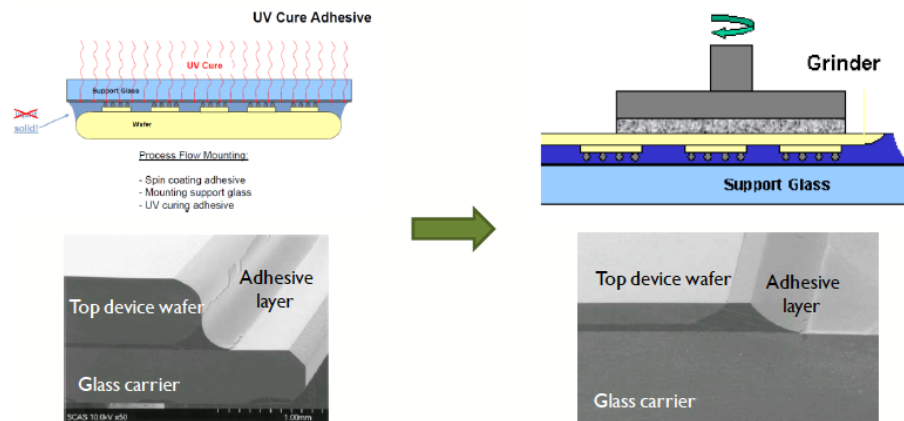
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# Process Flows

## Laser Abladable Glues



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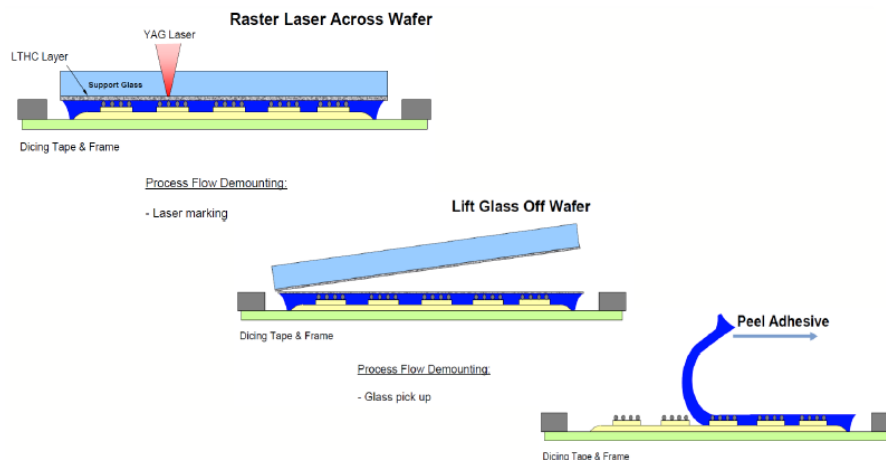
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# Process Flows

## Laser Abladable Glues



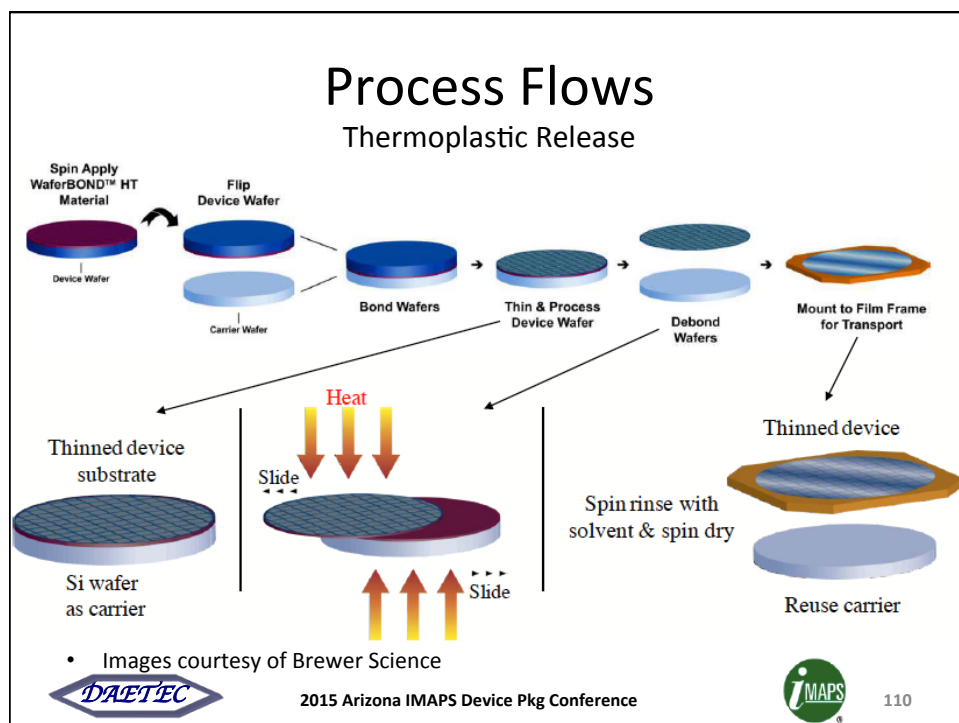
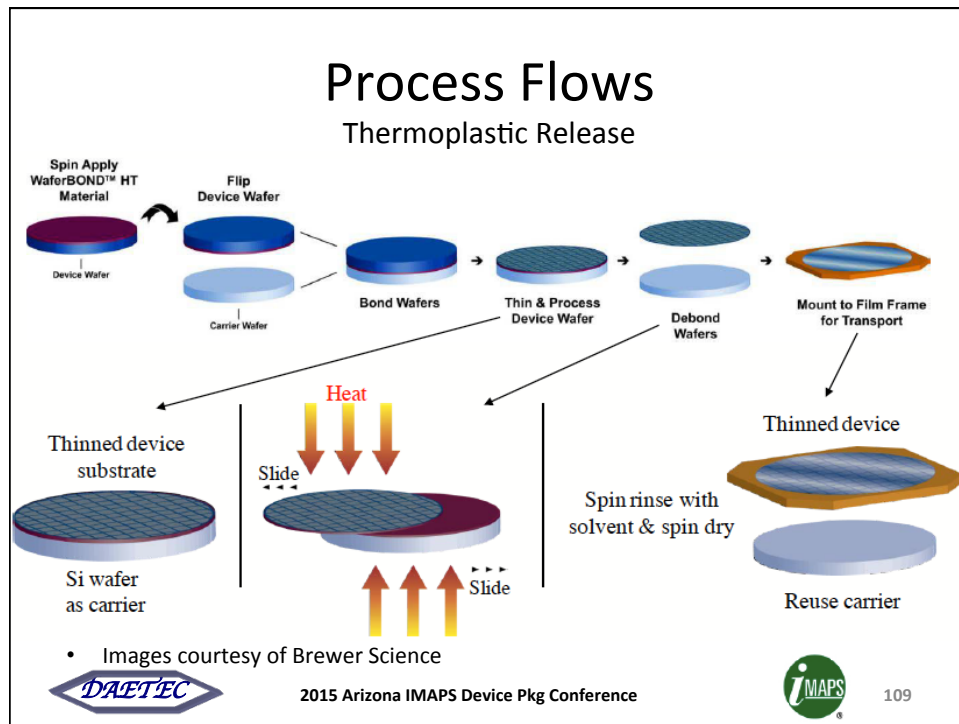
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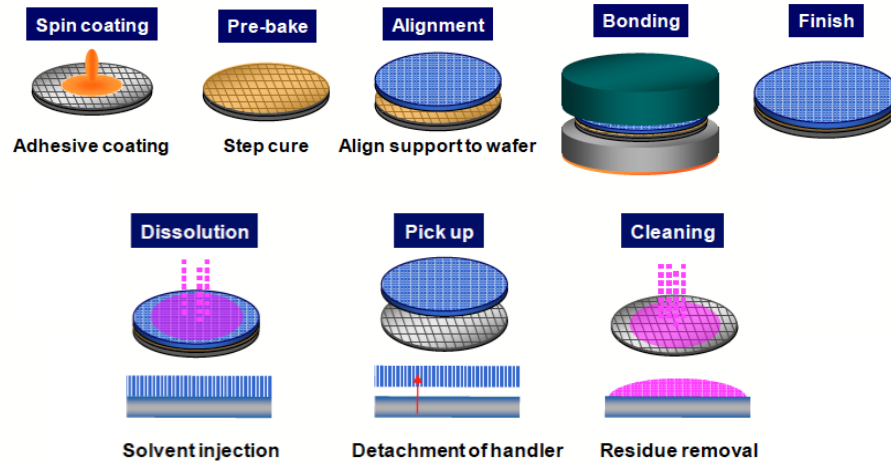


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# Process Flows

## Chemical Release



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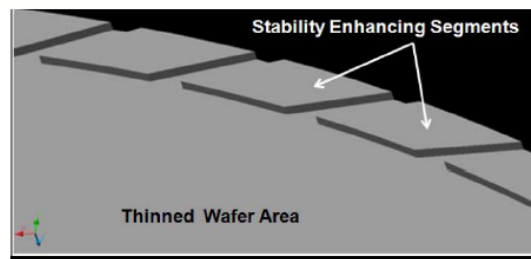
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# Process Flows

## Ring Support



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## Pro/con

		BSI	BSI (Zonebond)	3M	TMAT	Dupont	BSI, Dupont, TOK
Process	Bond type	Thermo-compression 10-40μ	Thermo-compression 10-40μ	Wet bond 20-200μ	Wet bond 20-200μ	Thermo-compression 10-40μ	Any
	Debond type	Slide + CRT	Peel	Laser + peel	Peel	Laser + CRT	CRT
	Tooling needed	Thermoslide tool	Peel tool Edge removal tool	Laser tool Peel tool	Peel tool	Eximer laser Perforated carrier	Capture cassette
	Post processing	Cleans, tape isolation	Cleans, tape isolation	Cleans, tape isolation	Cleans, tape isolation	Cleans, tape isolation	None
Key challenges	Temperature	200° C max.	250° C max.	250° C max.	300° C max.	450° C max.	Adhesive
	Complete cleans	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
	Geom. damage	Some	No	Some	No	No	No
	Additional steps	Release layer Edge removal	Precursor coat, plasma treat	LTHC coat & multi stage debond	Coat Precursor	None	None
	Process cost	Mid	Mid	High	Mid	High	High (carrier)
	Process speed	Mid	Slow	Fast	Fast	Very slow	Batch
Benefits	Additional challenges	None	Edge clean before debond	Transparent carrier needed	None	Very long bond cycle	Dimpling 6" max.
	Key benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Standard</li> <li>Simple</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Room t° debond</li> <li>Geometry safe</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thicker coating</li> <li>Room t° debond</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thick coating</li> <li>Room t° debond</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High t processes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High yield</li> <li>Known process</li> <li>Min. tooling</li> </ul>

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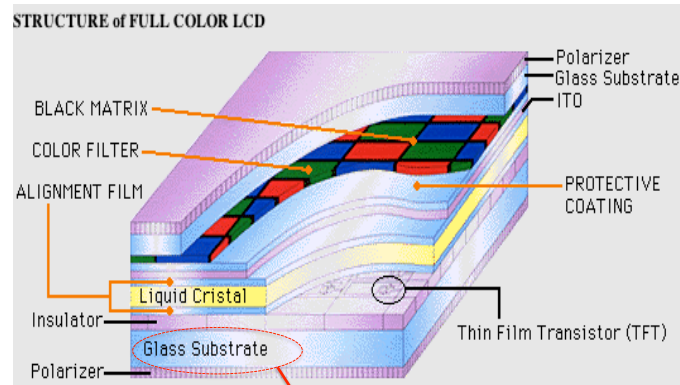


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## 3. Displays



Replacement w/thin, flexible substrates



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## Transparent Display



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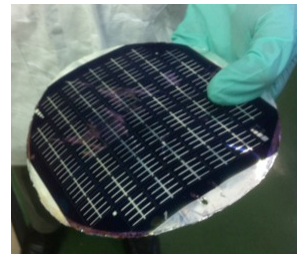


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## Multitude of Flexible Displays



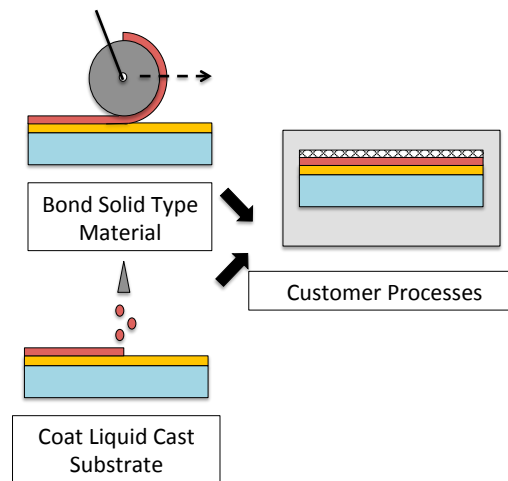
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## Flexible Display

- Solid substrate
  - PET
  - PEN
  - PI
  - Metal + dielectric
  - Composite
- Castable Liquids
  - PI
  - Other



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## Solid Substrates

- Bond Types:
  - 100% Solid Wet Bond
  - Pressure Sensitive Adhesive
- Debond Types:
  - Peel



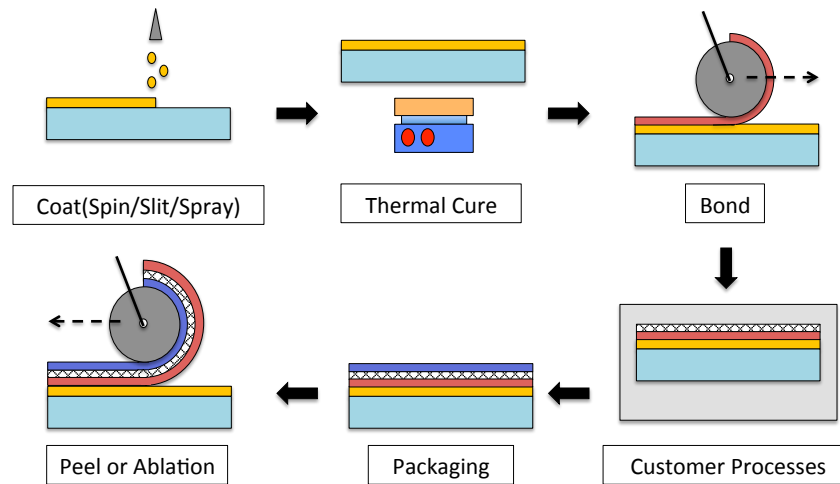
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## Solid Substrates

Process Flow

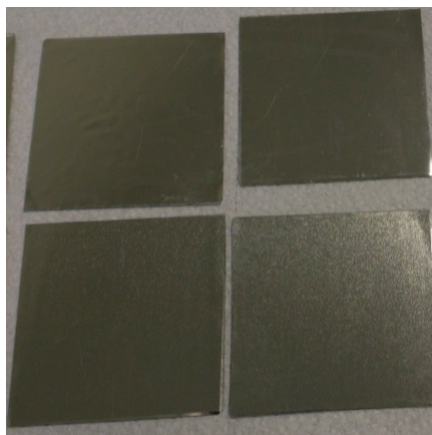


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## Metal Foil



- Foil Bonded to adhesive according to curing program
- Post baking at 350C for 15 minutes

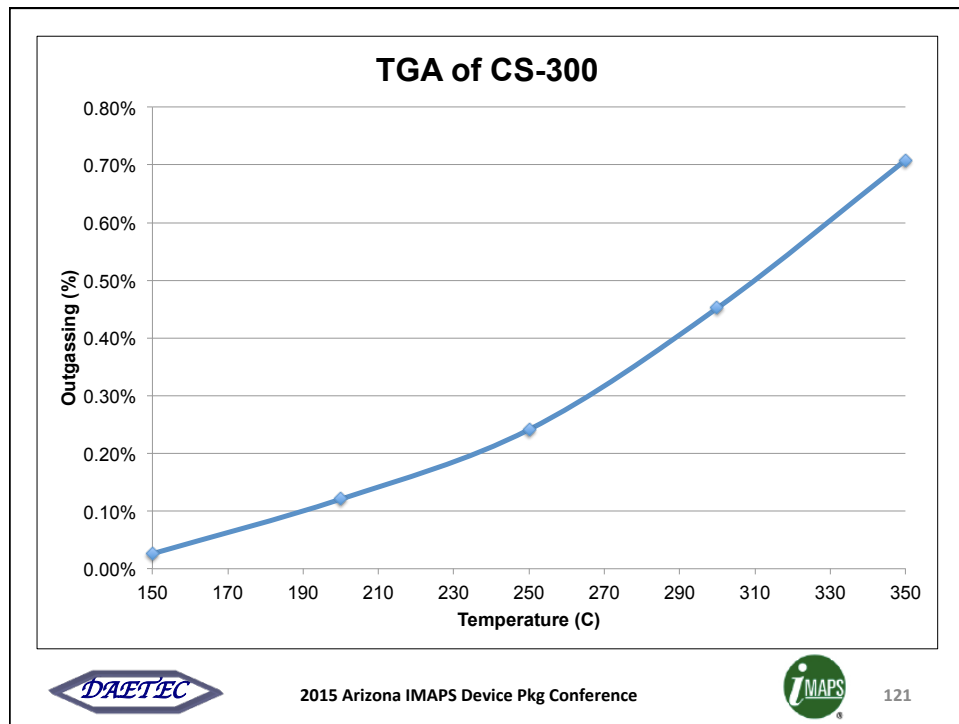


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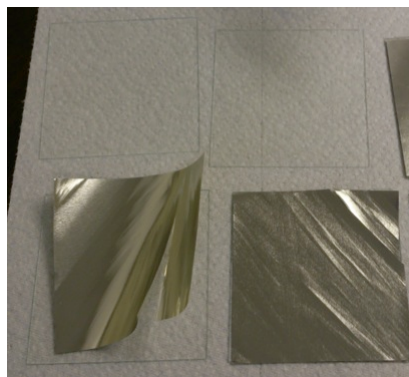


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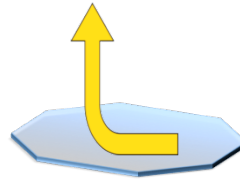
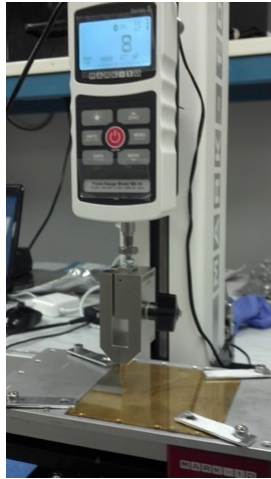


## Debonding by Peeling



- Foil peeled off from adhesive after 350C
- Integrity based upon thickness, tool, & process
- Adhesive can be tunable to customer's process and requirements

# Peel Testing



90 degree peel  
Orientation

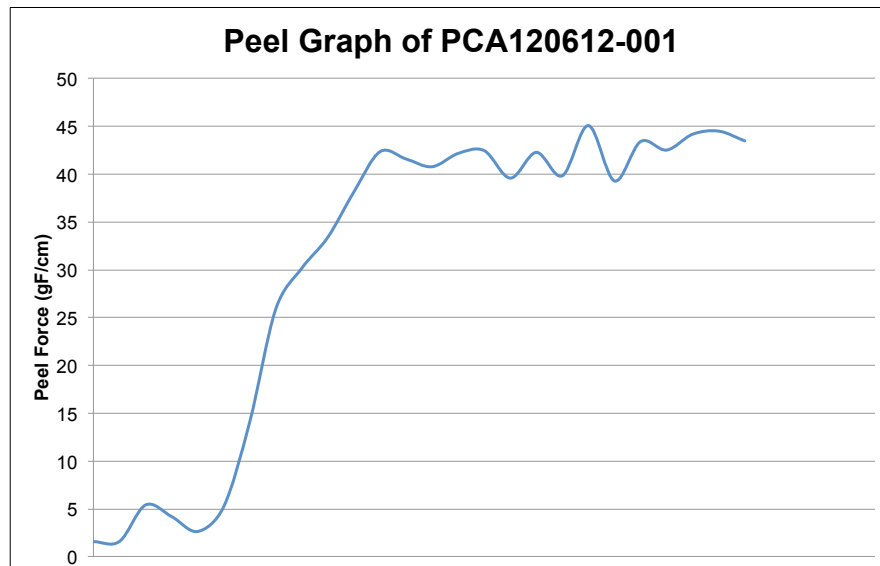
- 90° Peel test following ASTM protocol
  - 5 mm/s peel speed
  - 1 cm cut width
  - Use of Mark 10 motorized force test stand and M5-10 force gauge with MESUR™ gauge software.



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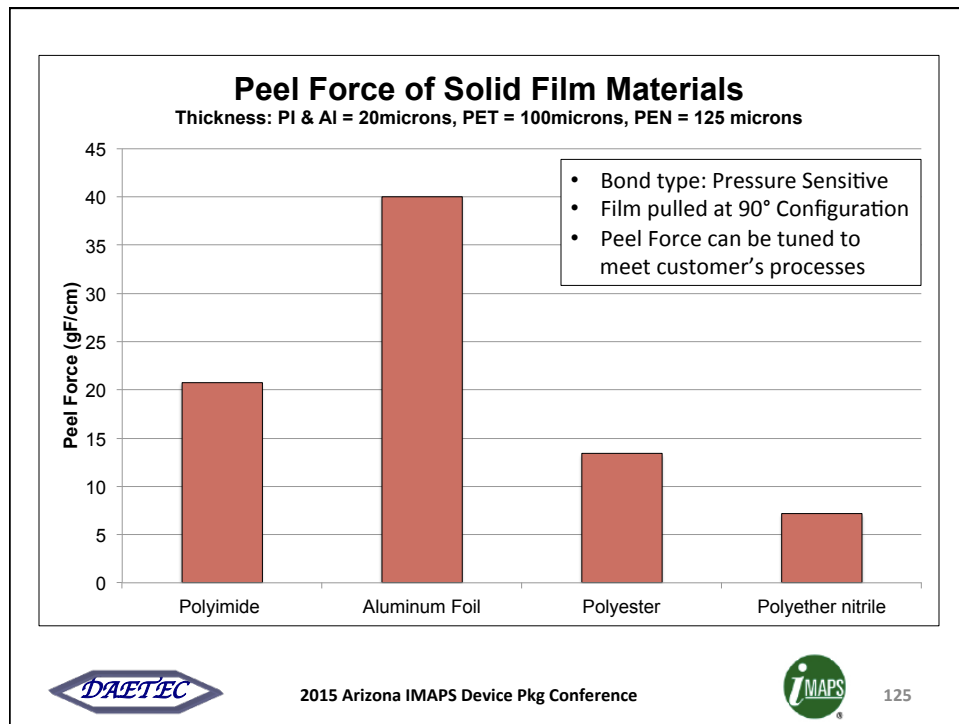
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## Castable Substrates

- Slit or Spray Coat
- Debond Types:
  - Laser Ablation
  - Peel



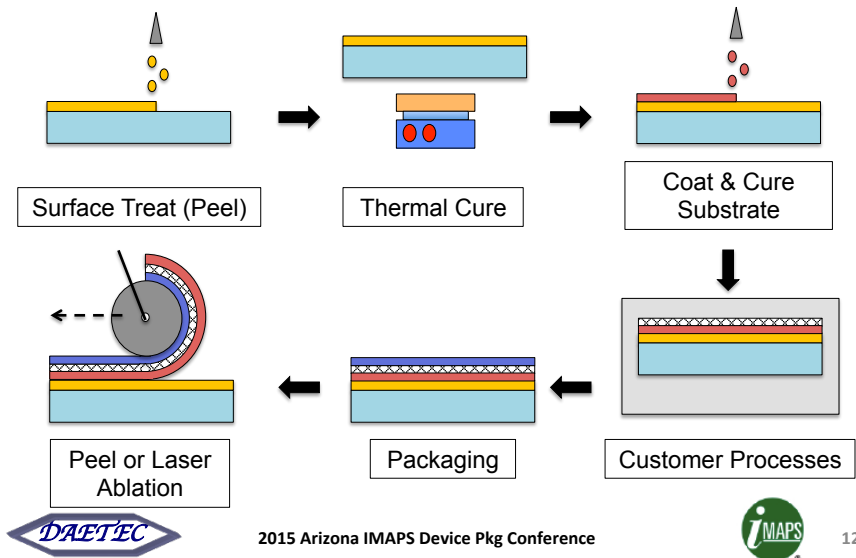
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## Castable Substrates

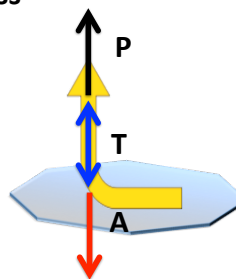
### Process Flow



## Tunable Adhesive

### Objectives for Robust Process

- High tensile product
- Ability to withstand many artifacts, especially as the process varies



### Robust Process:

- High A – tune until no irregularities
- Ensure  $T \gg A$
- Then proceed to adjust P for demount

- Daetec is working on a tunable adhesive for the thermal resistant film between the primer and the glass

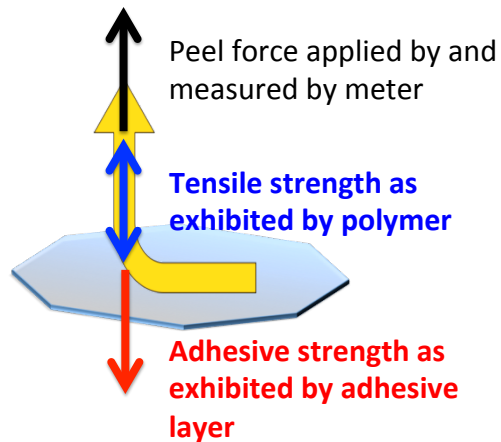


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## Discussion



Model of thin substrate peeling with adhesive layer, minimizing bubble formation



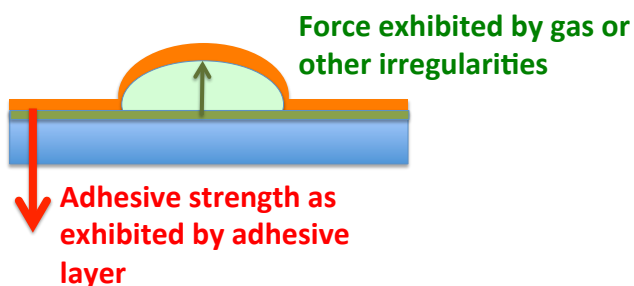
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## Bubble Model

Bubble forms when force of irregularity > adhesive

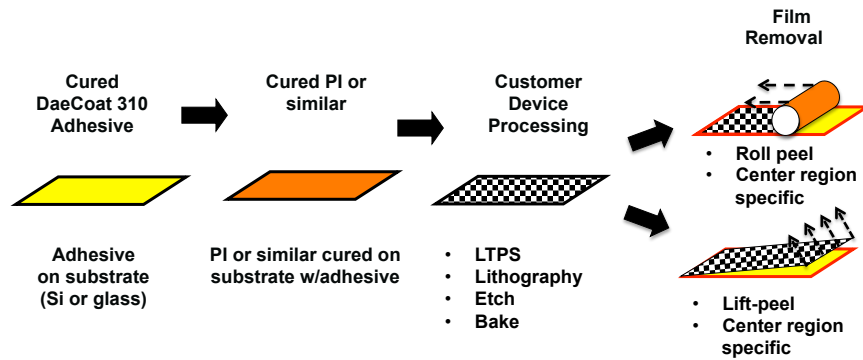


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## Common Use – Process Flow

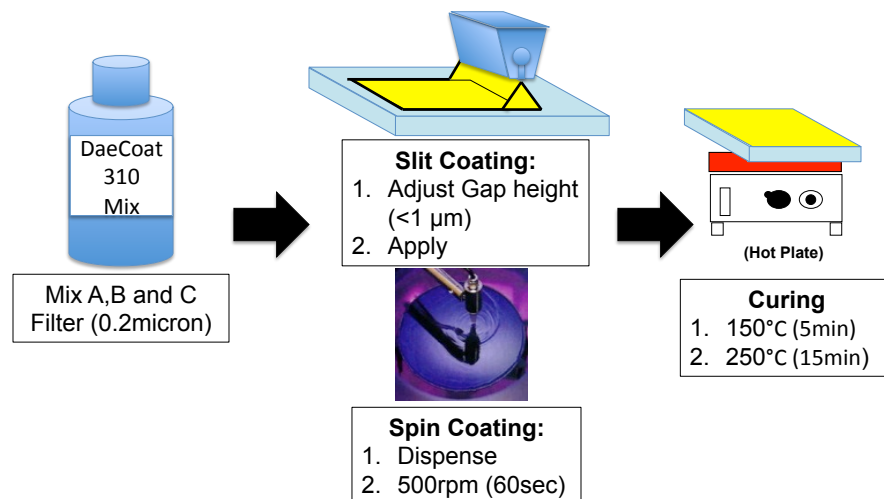


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## Adhesive: DaeCoat™ 310



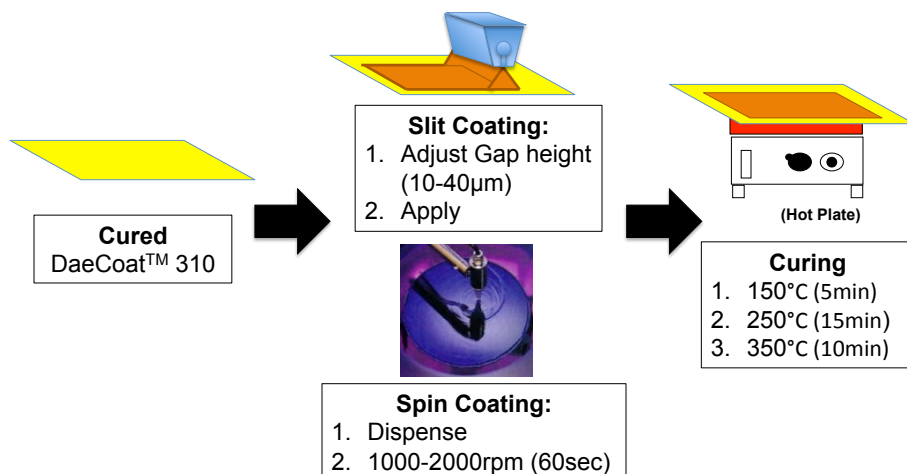
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## PI or Similar Coating

Daetec's Polyimide: DaeCoat™ 210



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## Mixing DaeCoat™ 310

310 Product	Description	9:1	8:2	7:3	6:4	5:5
Part 1	Polymer A	18	16	14	12	10
Part 2	Polymer B	2	4	6	8	10
Part 3	Solvent	80	30	30	30	30

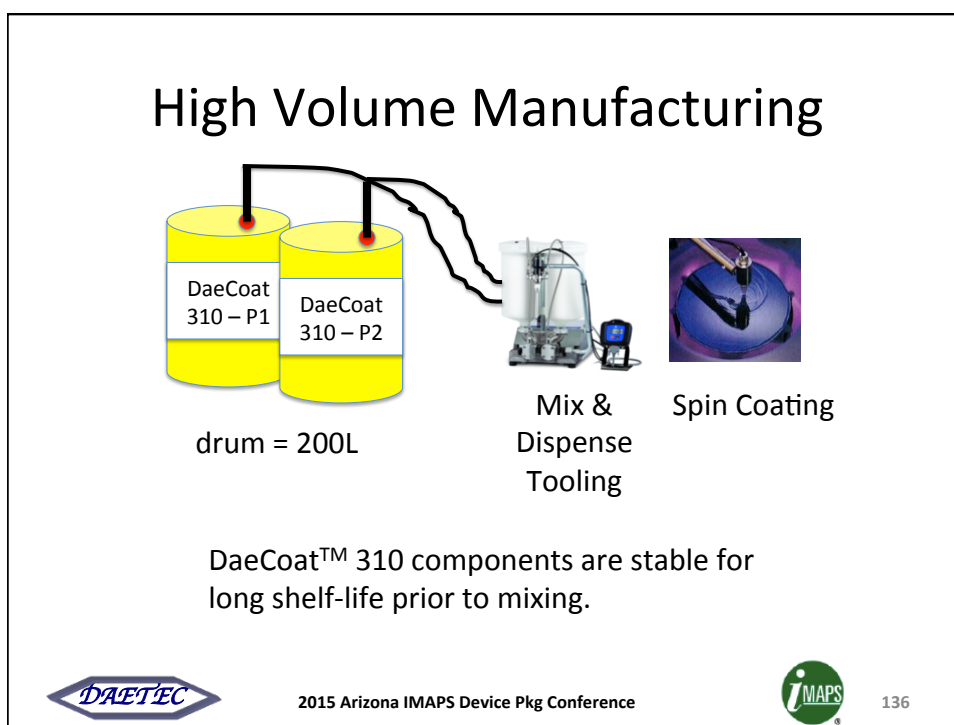
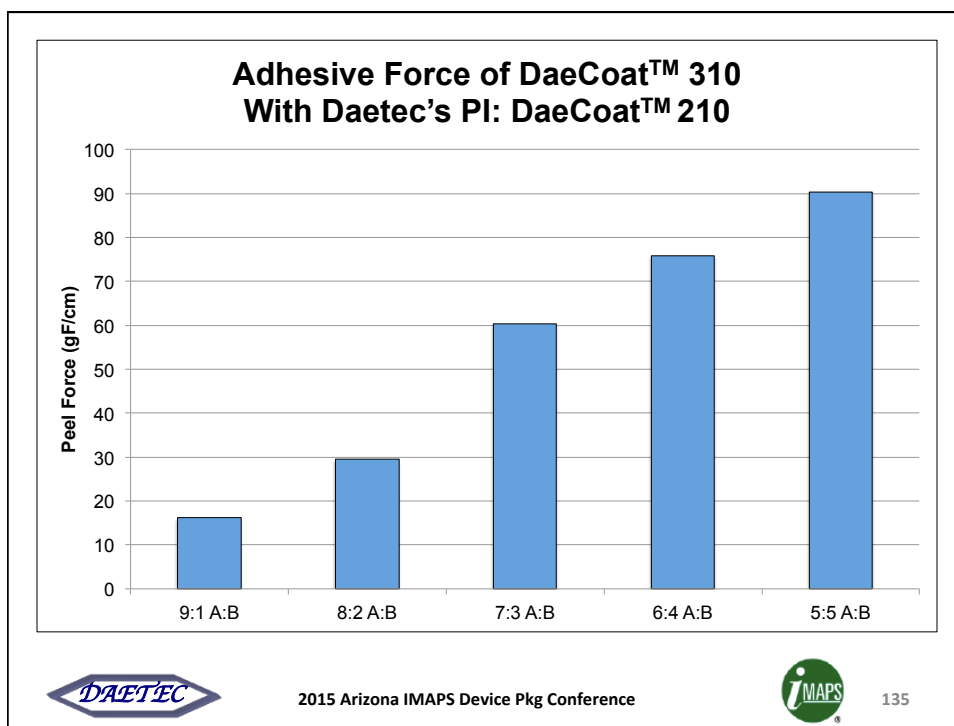
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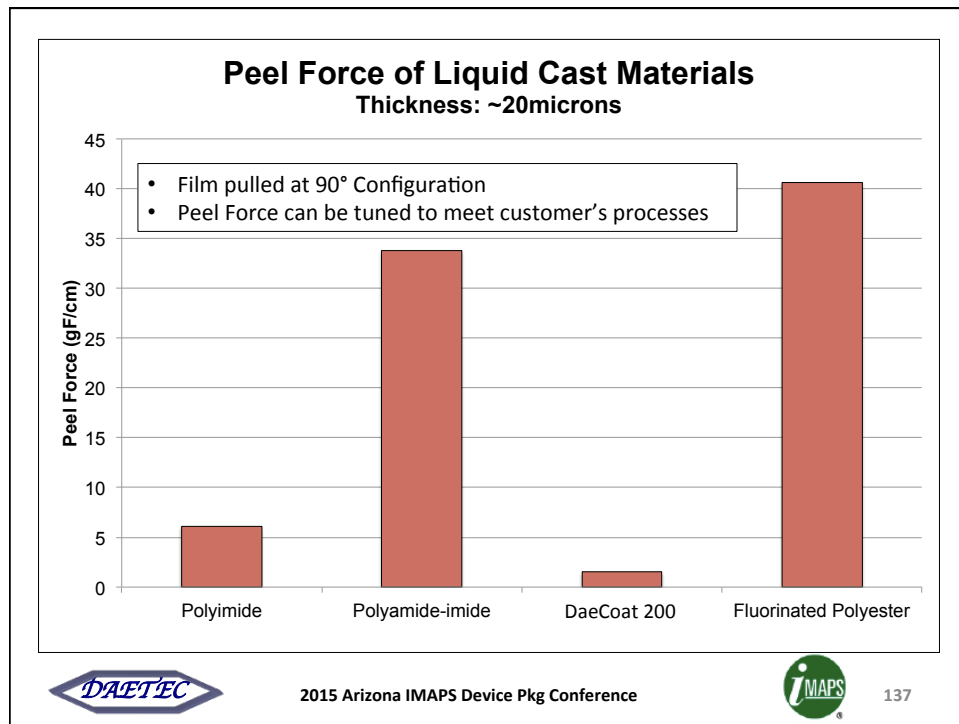
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## Debond Methods

Debond Method	Equipment	Throughput
Laser Ablation	Laser Ablation System	Low
Chemical	Wet Bench	High
Back Grinding	Grinding System	Low
Saw Separation	Diamond Saw	Low
Chemical Etching	Wet Bench	Low
Vacuum Pull	Vacuum Chuck	Medium
Peel	Peel Tool with Drum	Medium

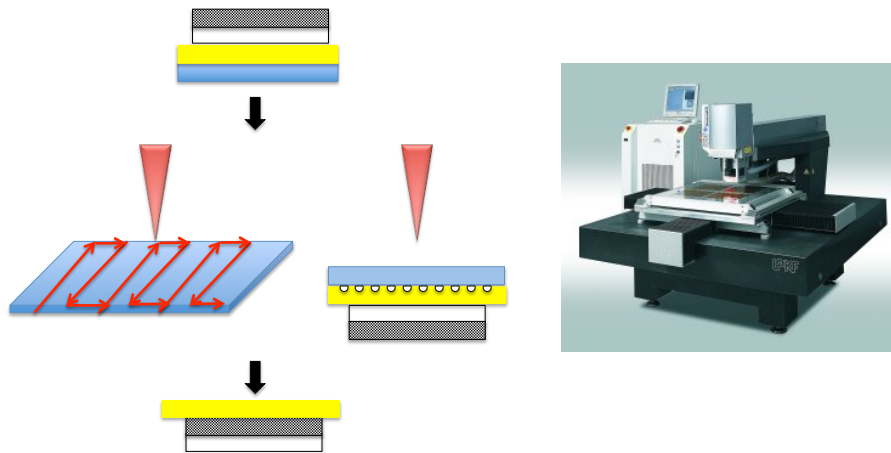


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## Laser Ablation



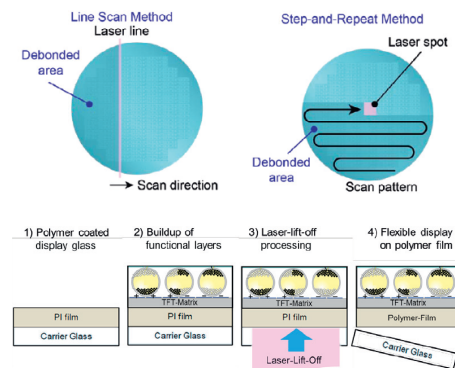
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## Laser Ablation

- Proven process
- Effective for small substrates
- Commercially available equipment

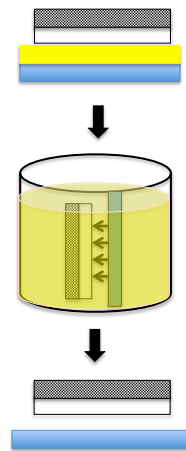


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## Chemical

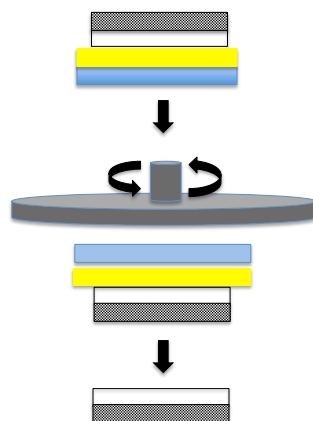


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## Back Grinding

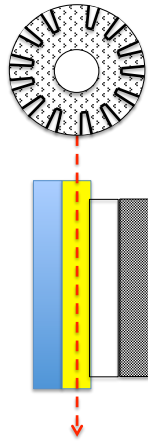


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## Diamond Saw Separation

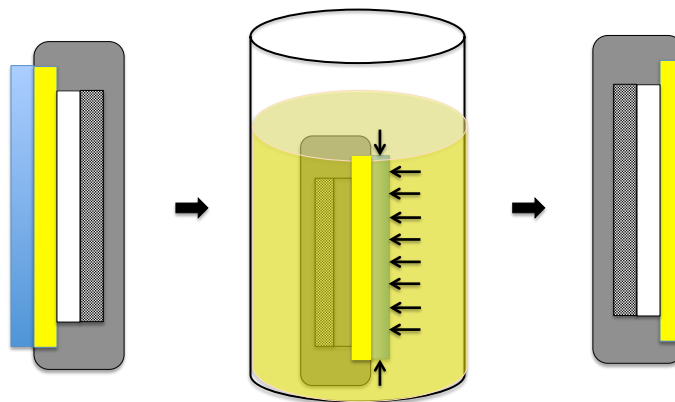


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## Chemical Etching

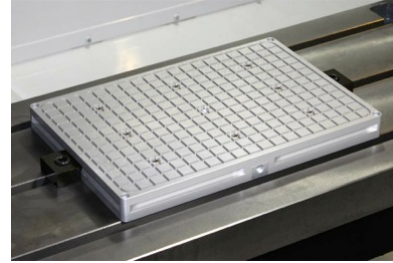
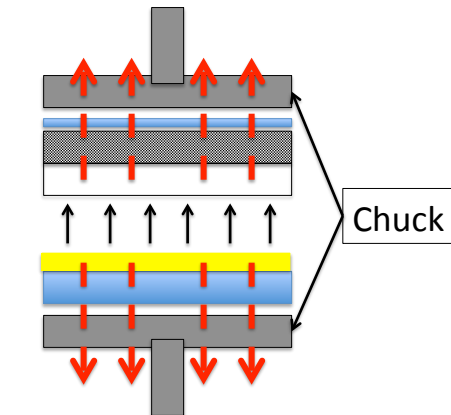


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## Vacuum Pull



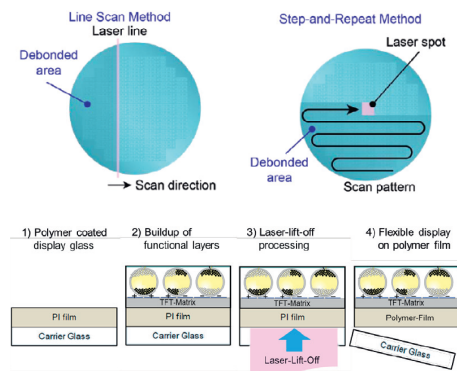
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## Peeling

- Proven process
- Effective for any size substrates
- Peel equipment must be developed in house

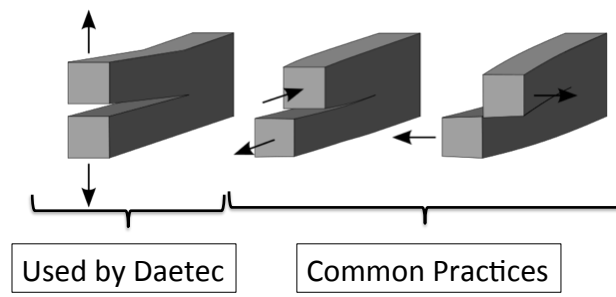


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## Peel De-bond Mechanics

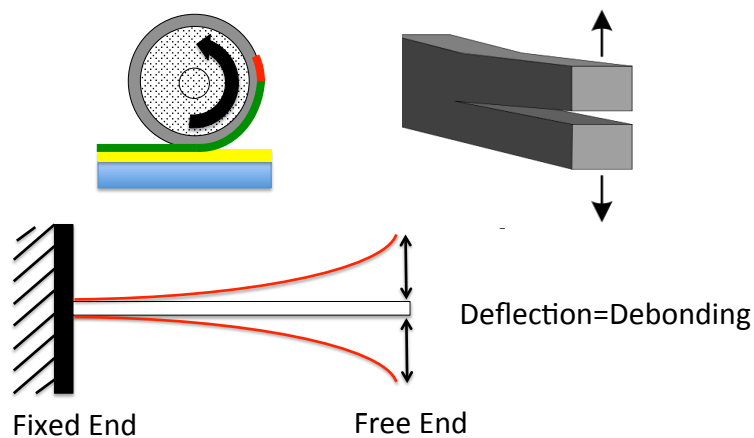


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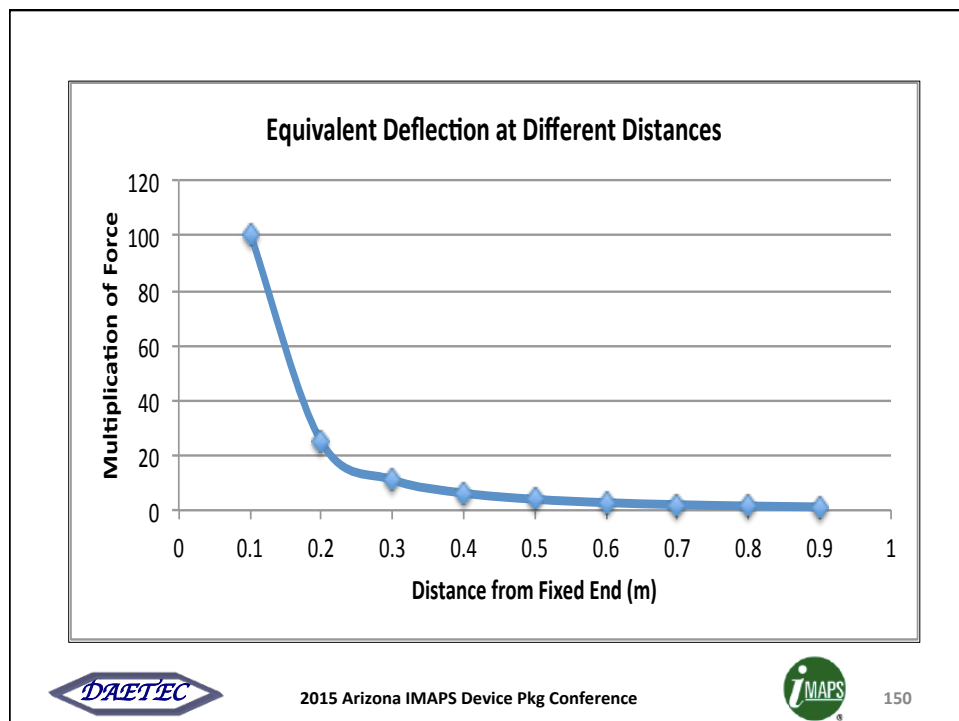
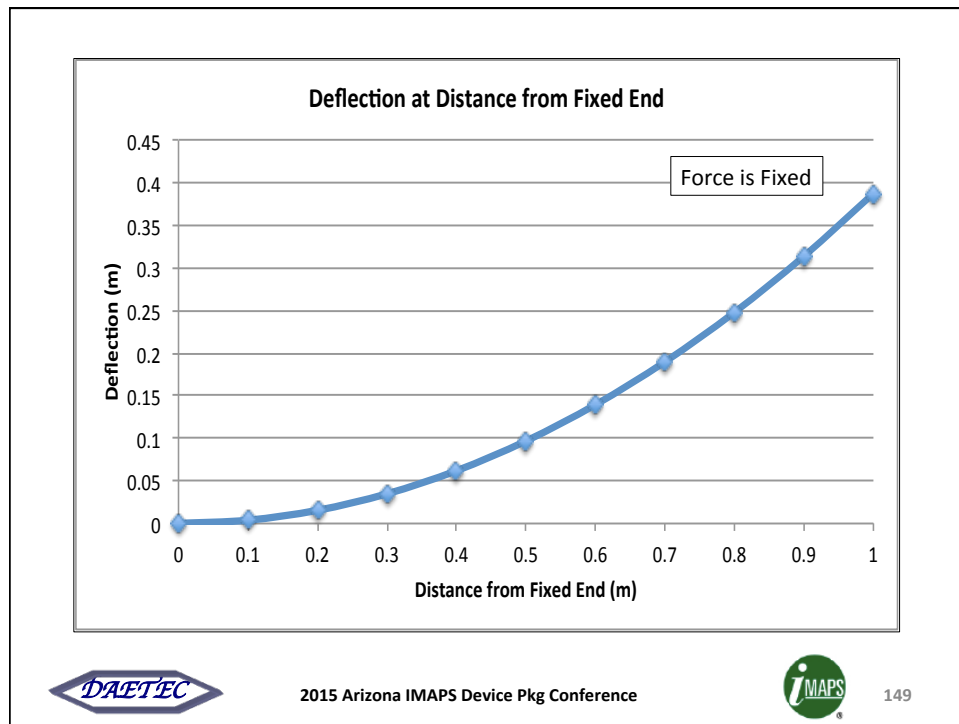
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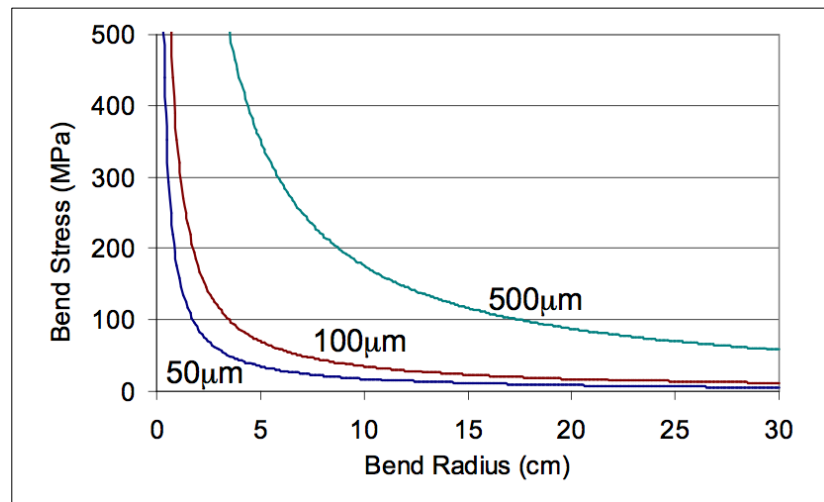
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## Glass Properties

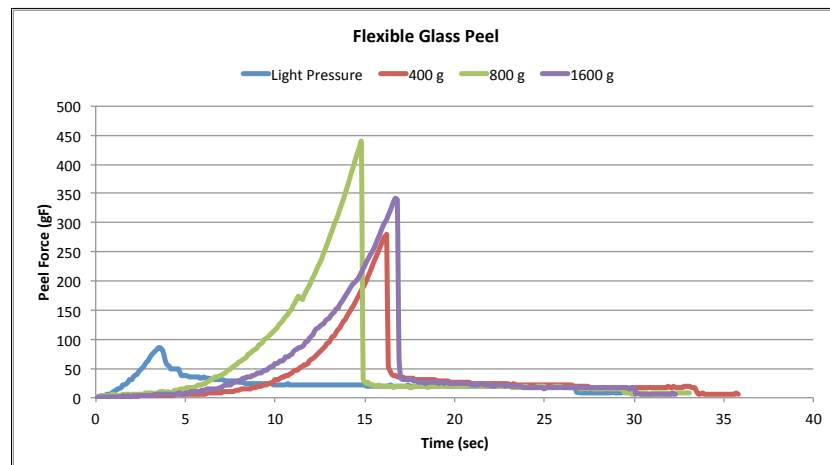


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## Peel Results



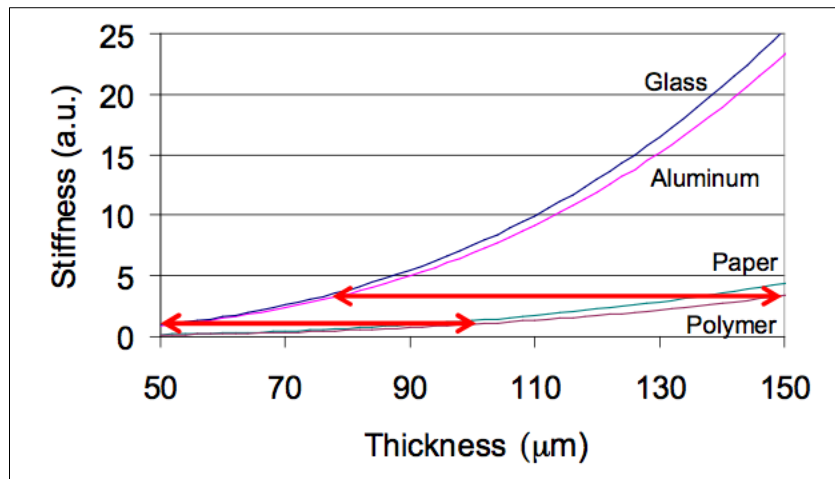
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## Material Behavior

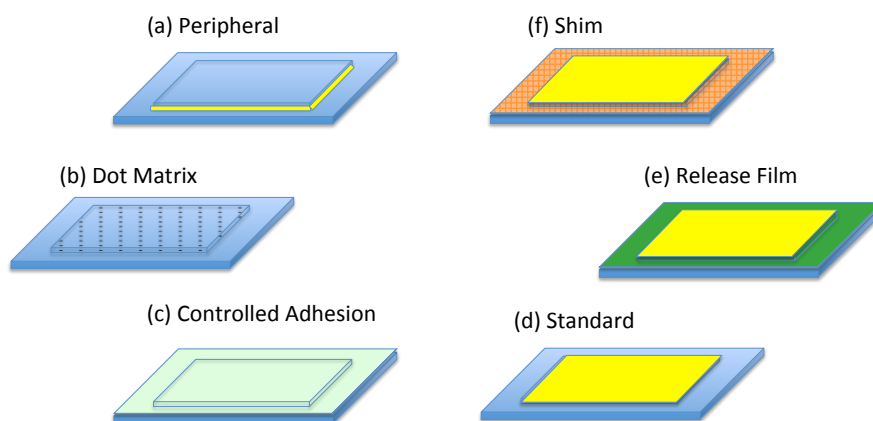


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## All Configurations

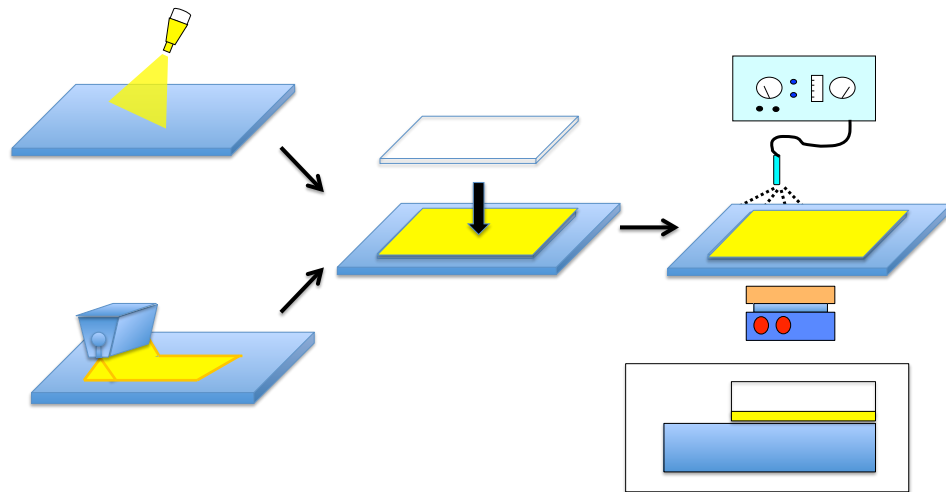


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## (a) Standard Bond

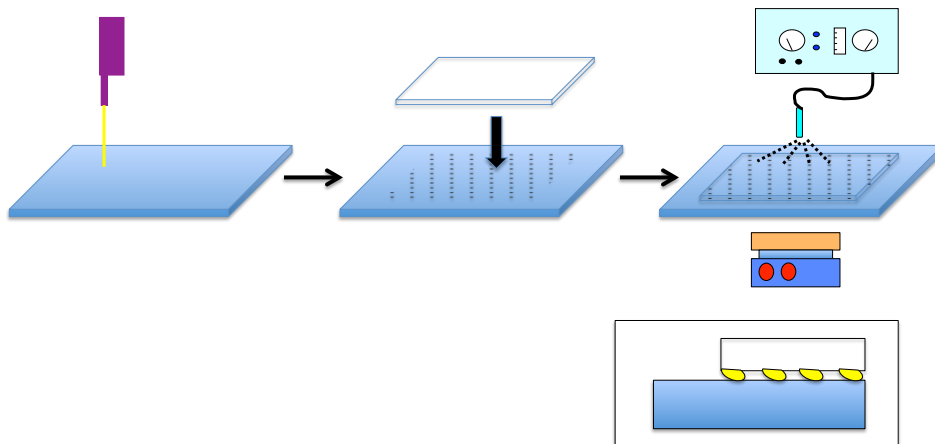


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## (b) Dot Matrix

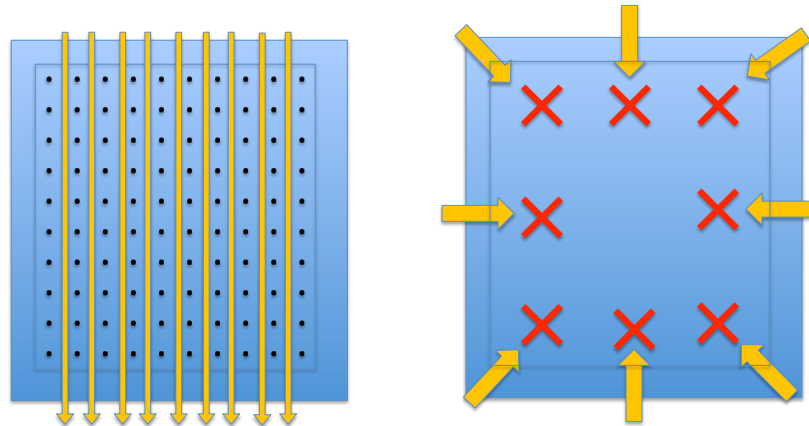


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## Dot Matrix vs. Standard Bond

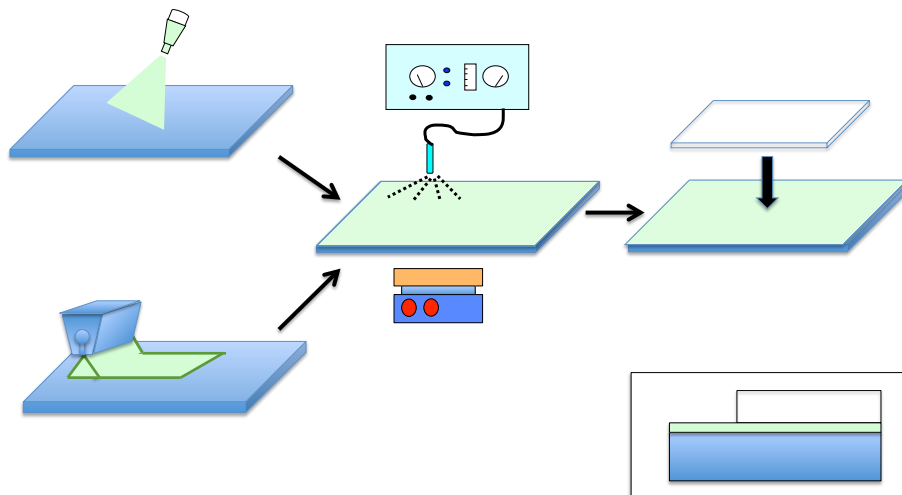


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## (c) Controlled Adhesion

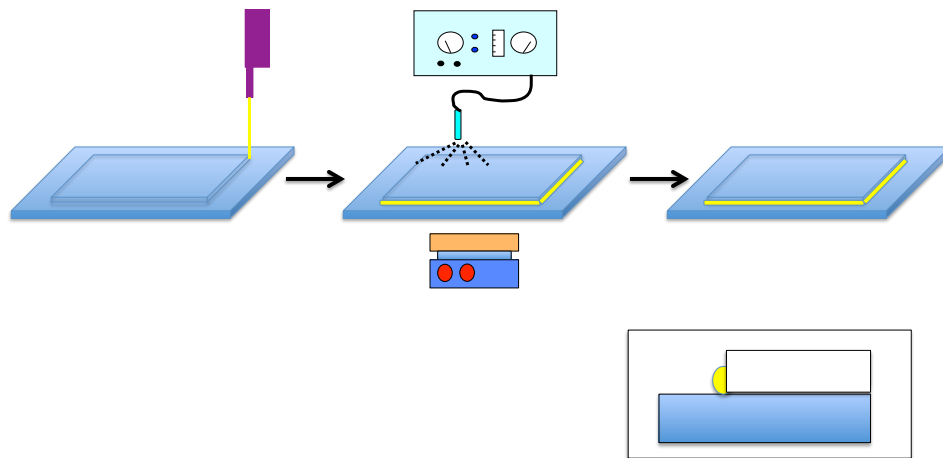


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### (d) Peripheral Bond

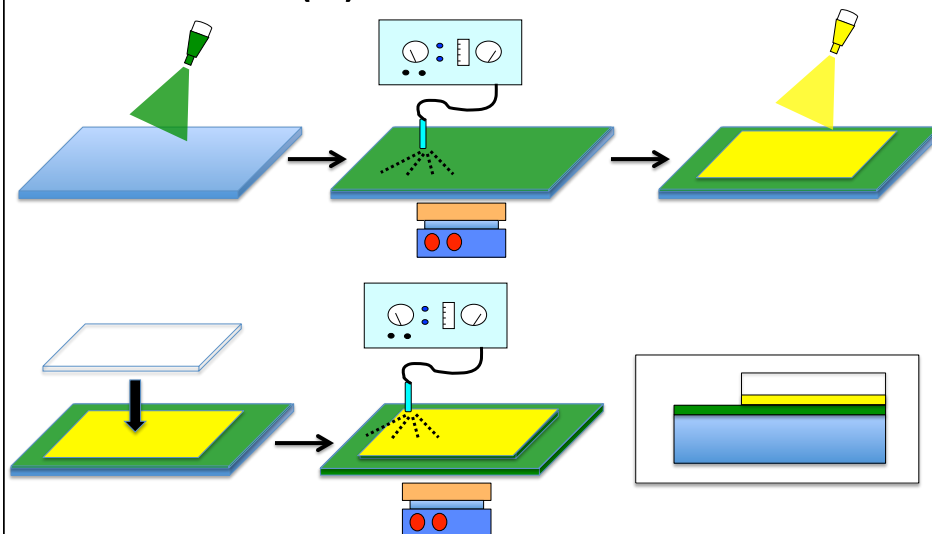


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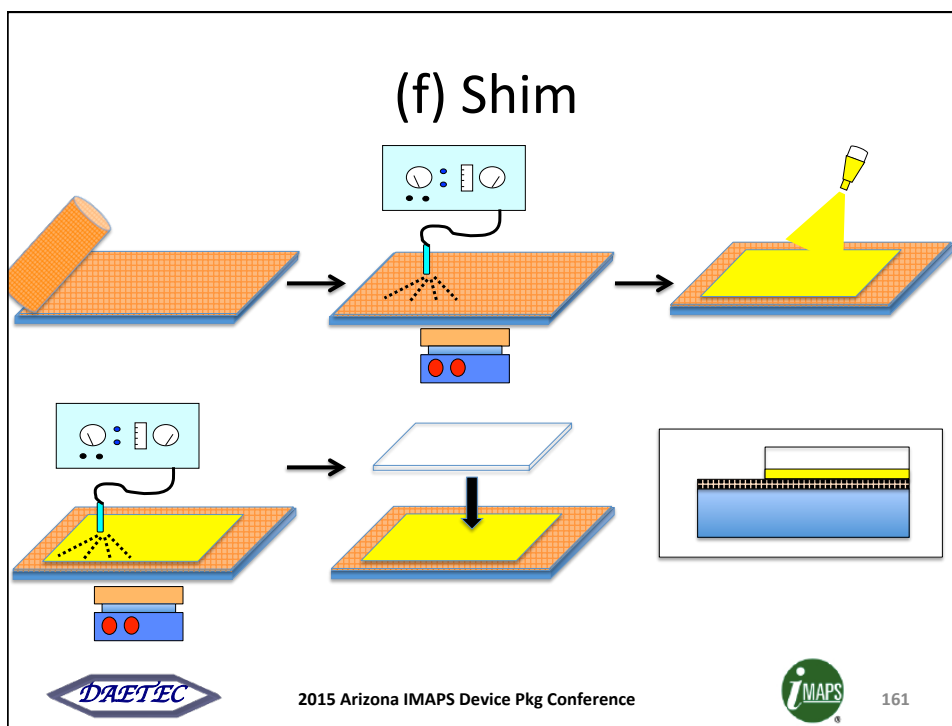
### (e) Release Film



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## (A)Peripheral Bond

Parameter	Standard Bond	Peripheral/Spot Bond
Clarity	Adhesive Dependent	Not Applicable
Thickness	< 30 um	Not Applicable
Coat Method	Spin, Slit, Spray	Syringe Dispense
Air Bubble	Pressure, Time, TTV	Not Applicable
Cure Method	Thermal, Catalytic	Thermal, Catalytic
Thermal Resistance	Less Concern	Adhesive Dependent
Chemical Resistance	Less concern	Apart from Cleaner
Align	Optical	Optical
Debond Method	Not Debondable	Wet Chemical
Equipment	Coater, Laser Ablator, Saw	Syringe Dispenser, Dip

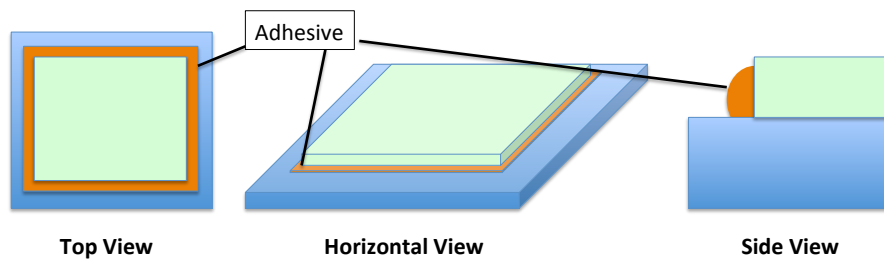


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## (A)Peripheral Bond



- Peripheral bond uses a minimal amount of adhesive to achieve and maintain a very strong temporary bond between substrate and carrier during substrate processing.

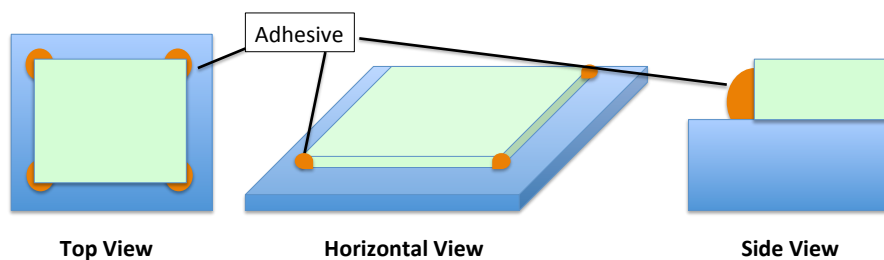


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## (A)Peripheral Bond: Spot Bond



- Spot bond uses a minimal amount of adhesive to achieve and maintain a very strong temporary bond between substrate and carrier during substrate processing.

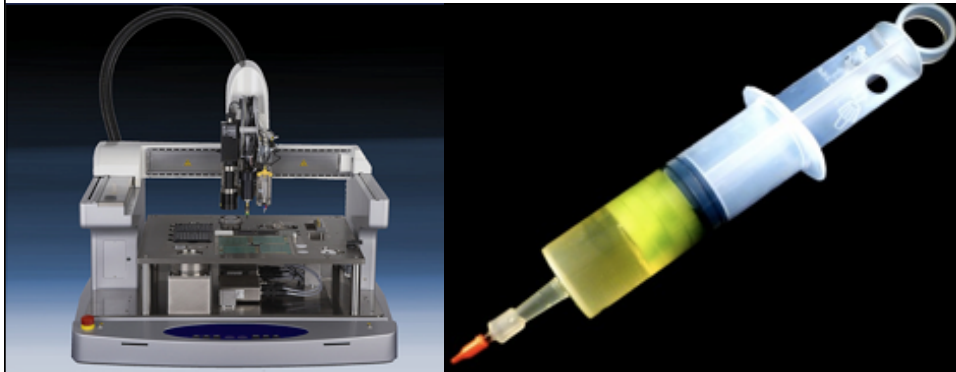


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## (A)Peripheral Bond: Syringe Dispense

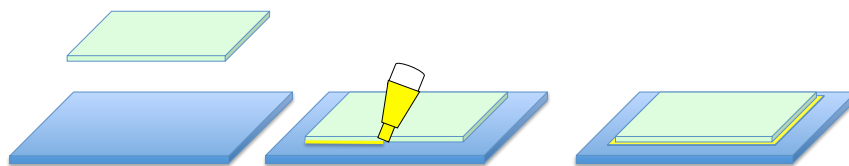


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## (A)Peripheral Bond: Syringe Dispense

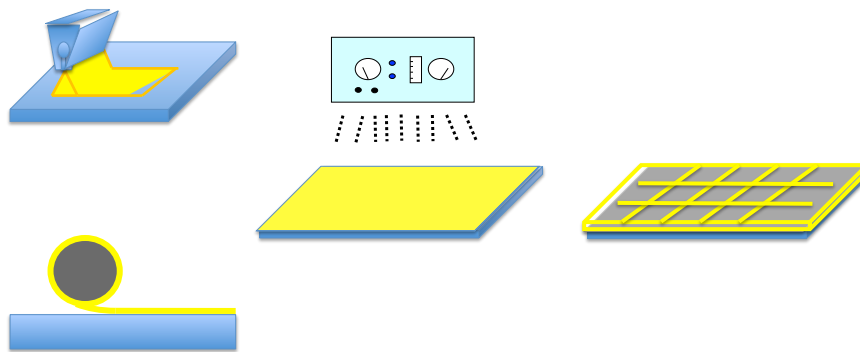


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## (A)Peripheral Bond: Pattern Deposit

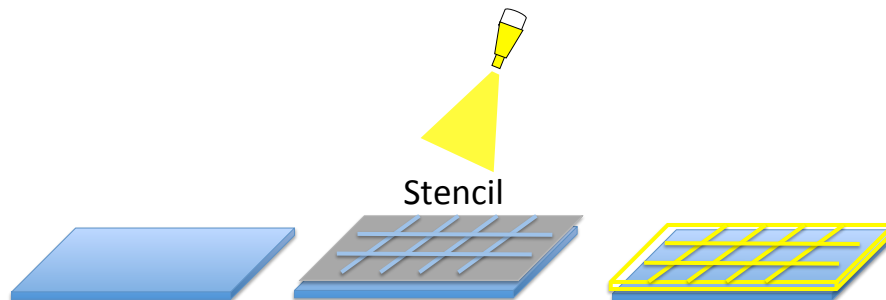


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## (A)Peripheral Bond: Pattern Spray



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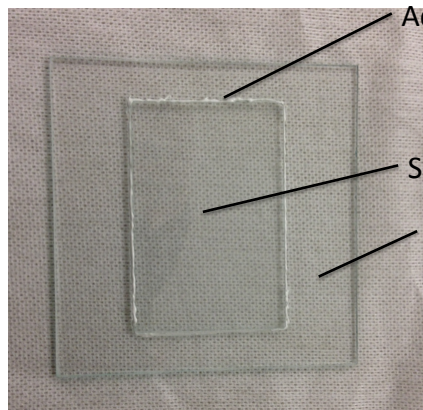


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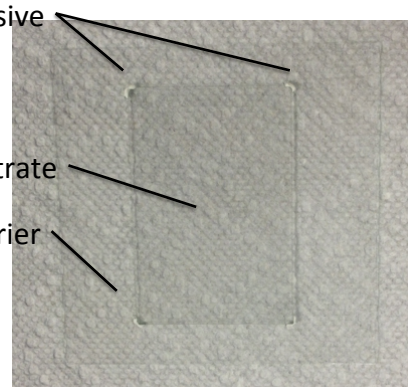


## (A)Peripheral Bond

### Peripheral Bond



### Spot Bond



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## (A)Peripheral Bond: Comments

- Peripheral bond does not require 100% solids, transparency, or special debonding tools.
- Voids may not be a concern for many applications.
- Minimal adhesive usage (very large substrate may only be several grams)
- This permits many new polymers to be considered for peripheral Bond.
  - Polyimide (>450C stability)
  - Polybenzimidazole (>500C stability)
  - Glassy polymers (>500C stability)

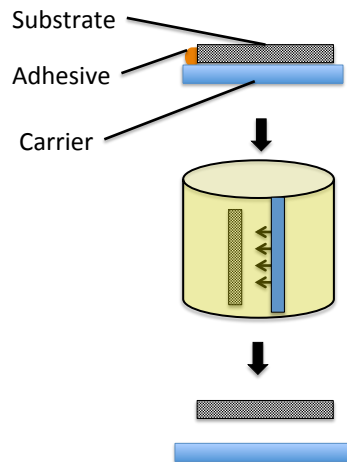


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## (A) Peripheral Bond: Batch Debond

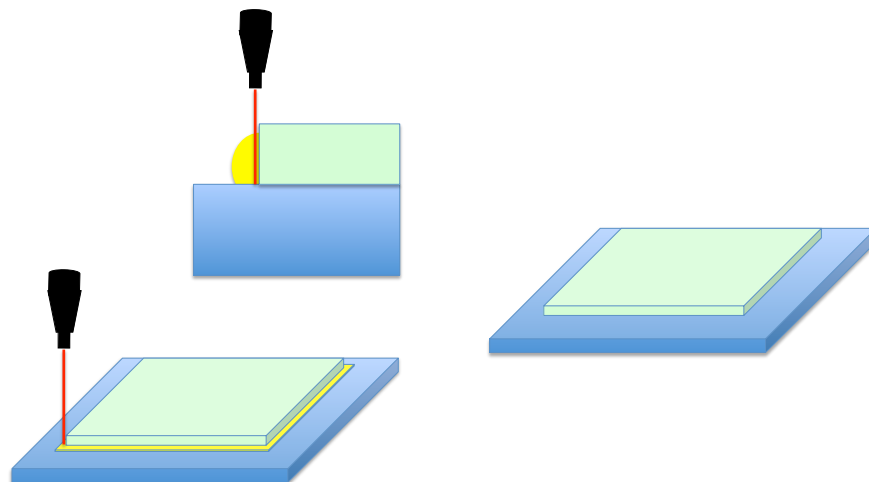


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## (A) Peripheral Bond: Cut Debond



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## (A)Peripheral Bond: Glass Fusion

- 2 Glass substrates bonded by peripheral bond
- Spontaneous thermal fusion between glasses can occur during high temp. processes ( $>350^{\circ}\text{C}$ )

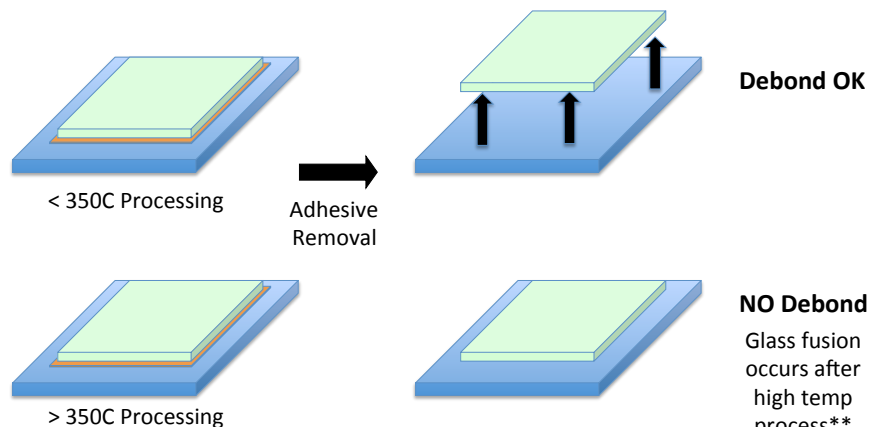


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## (A)Peripheral Bond: Glass Fusion



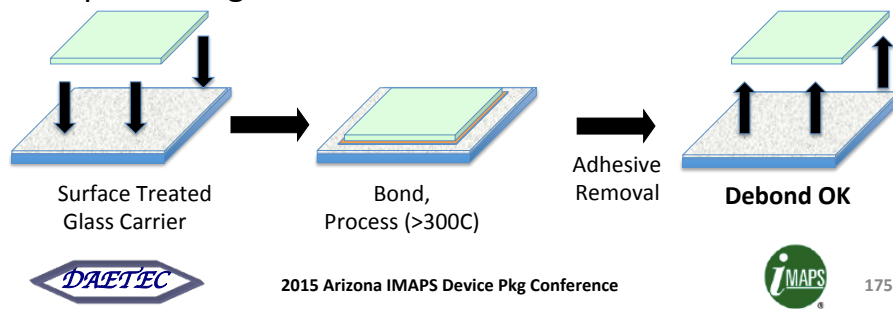
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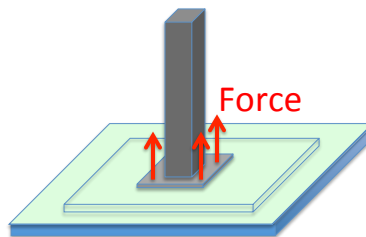
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## Glass on Glass Bonding

- To prevent spontaneous thermal fusion at high, glass carrier is treated with surface coating before bonding
- Allows glass substrate to debond after high temp processing



## (B) Controlled Adhesion: Center Pull



No Graph:

- 3000gF Before part breaks
- All Adhesives

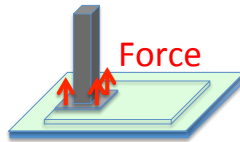


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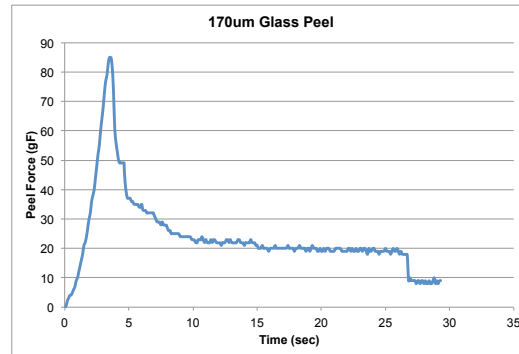


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## (B)Controlled Adhesion: Edge Pull



Low Bond Force Weaker Adhesive

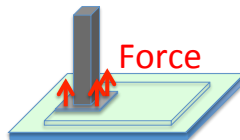


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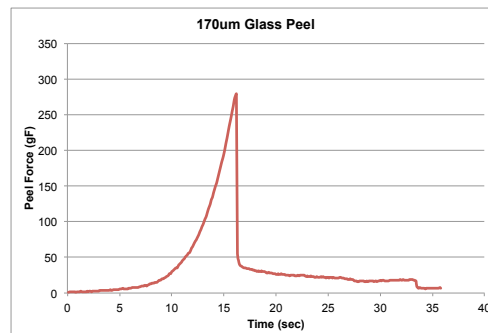


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## (B)Controlled Adhesion: Edge Pull



0.25 PSI Bond Force Weaker Adhesive

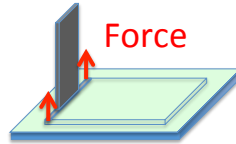


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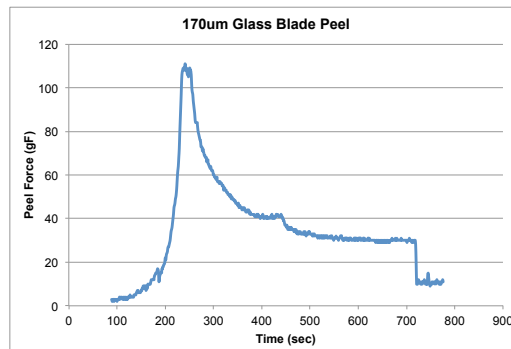


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## (B)Controlled Adhesion: Blade Pull



0.25 PSI Bond Force Weaker Adhesive

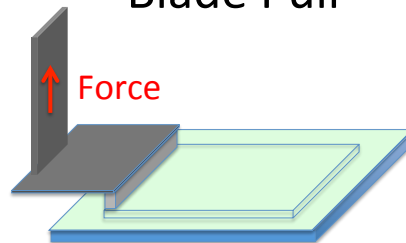


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## (B)Controlled Adhesion: Past Edge Blade Pull



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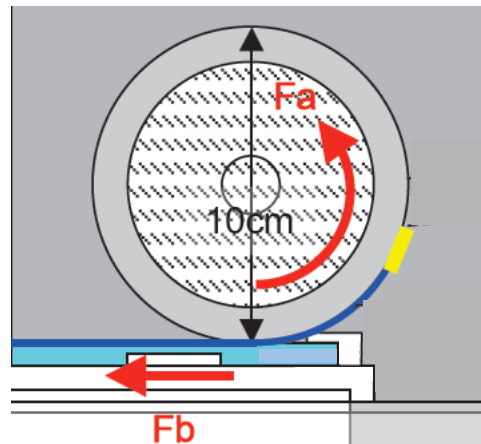


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## (B) Controlled Adhesion: Roll Peel



Must Be Custom Equipment

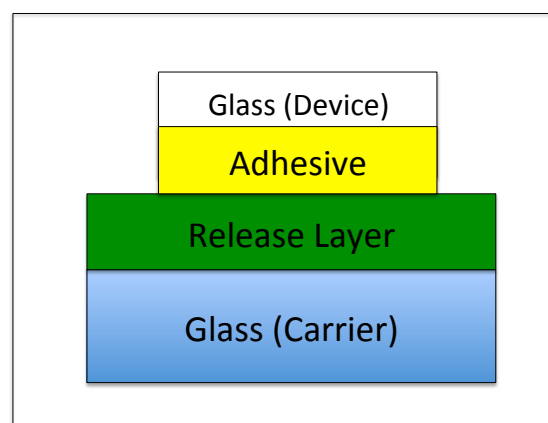


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## (c) Release Film

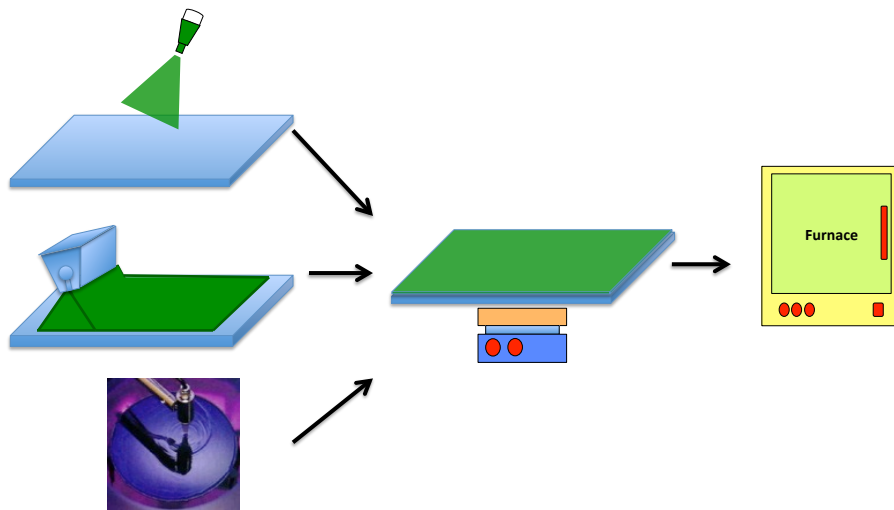


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## Release Film Coat & Cure

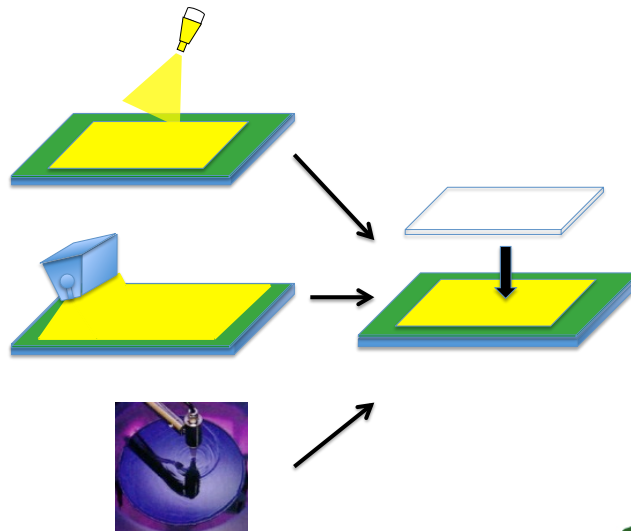


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## Adhesive Coat



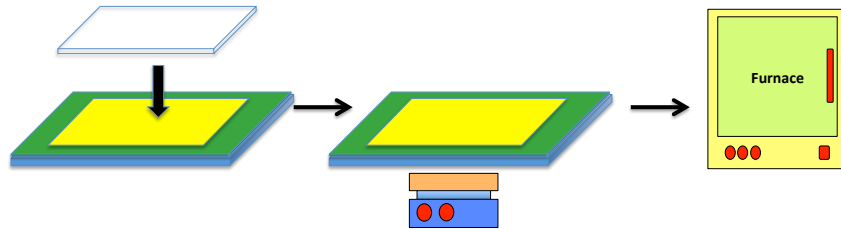
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## Glass Temporary Bonding

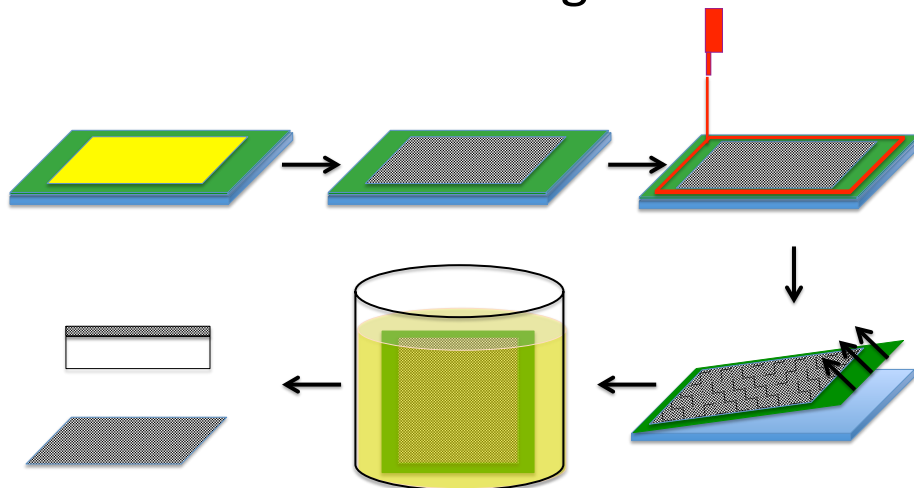


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## Debonding



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## Release Layer

Properties	PCA 130424-001	PCA 130610-003
Appearance	Clear Liquid	Yellow Liquid
Solid (% <sup>w</sup> / <sub>w</sub> )	~30%	~35%
Compatibility	DMAC, NMP	DMAC, NMP
Coating Method	Spin, Spray, Slit	Spin, Spray, Slit
Cure Temp	350°C (20min)	350°C (20min)
Polymer Type	Thermoplastic	Thermoset
Transparency @ ≥ 380nm (%T)	>80%	>10%
Thermal Resistance (Inert Atmosphere)	≤500°C	≤500°C



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## Adhesive

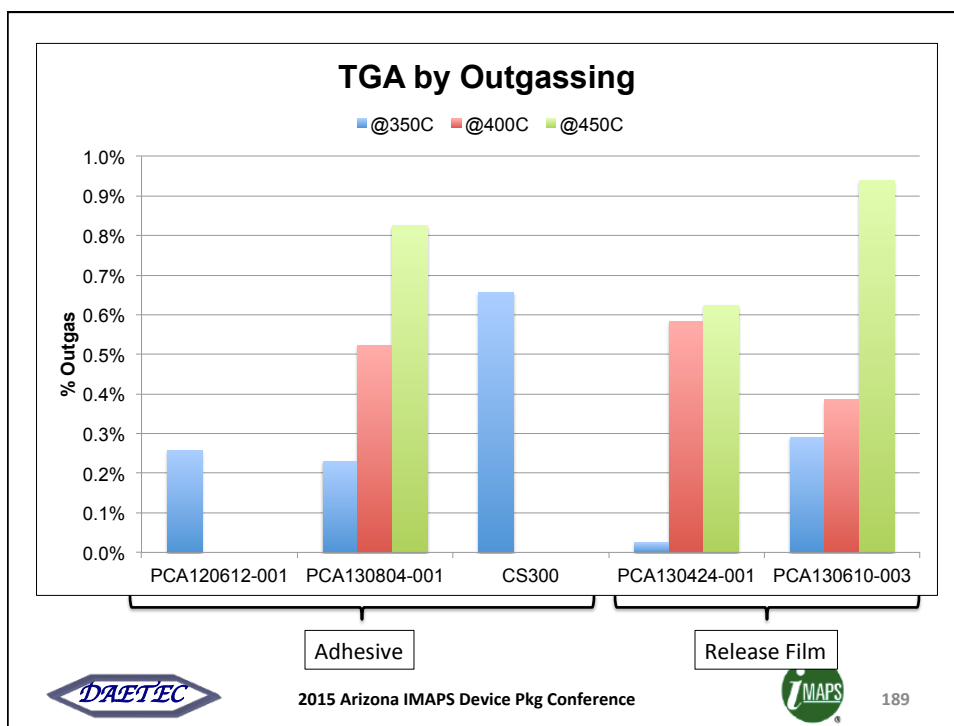
Properties	PCA 120612-001	PCA 130804-001	CS-300
Appearance	Clear Liquid	Clear Liquid	Clear Liquid
Solid (% <sup>w</sup> / <sub>w</sub> )	100%	~80%	100%
Compatibility	THF, Dioxolane	PM, Xylene, THF	THF, Dioxolane
Coating Method	Spin, Spray, Slit	Spin, Spray, Slit	Spin, Spray, Slit
Cure Temp	150°C (10min)	350°C (20min)	150°C (10min)
Bond Method	Wet Bond	Dry Bond	Wet Bond
Transparency @ ≥ 380nm (%T)	>90%	>90%	>90%
Thermal Resistance (Inert Atmosphere)	≤400°C	≤450°C	≤400°C



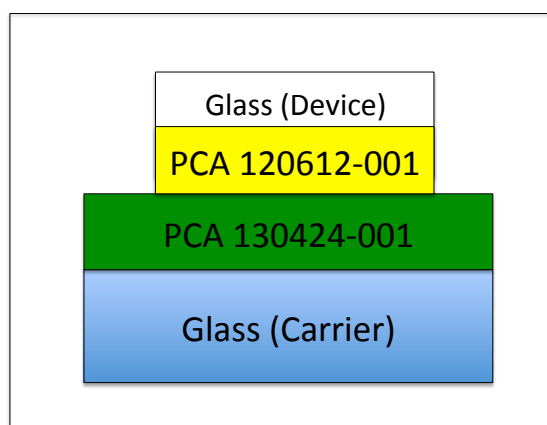
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## Sample with Daetec's Adhesive

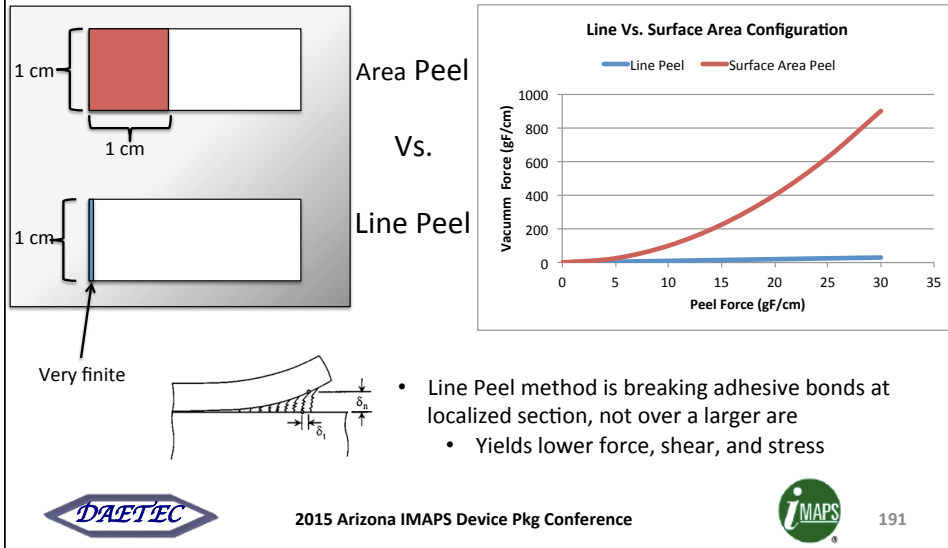


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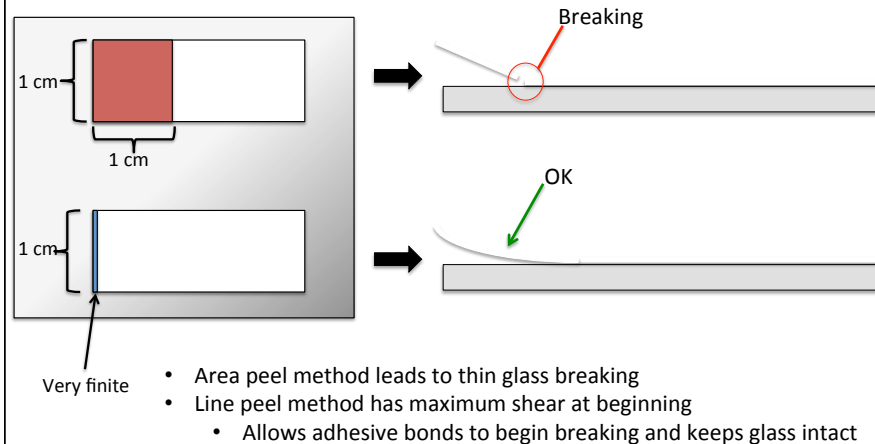


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## Peel Configurations



## Peel Configuration – Cont.



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## 4. Devices

- Desire to attach device, process, remove with no residue. Adhesive is thermal & chemical resistant, conforms to device substrate
- Various adhesives are available
- Device substrates can be irregular
- Bond/edge seal (A) desired, best w/thickness
- Adhesive may be applied by several methods
- Carrier recycle with cleaning
- Total cost must be considered



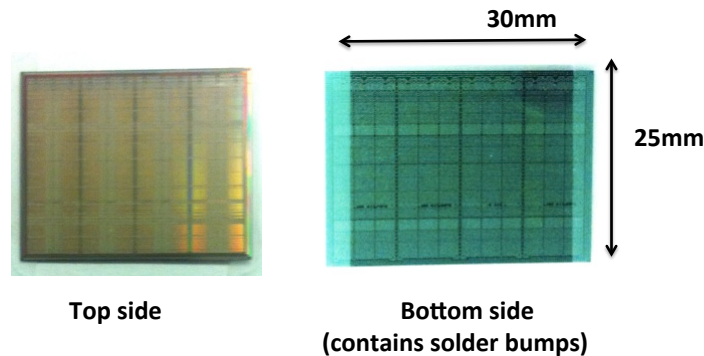
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## Thin Silicon Interposers (TSIs)

- Substrate ~100um thickness
- Underlying bumps ~100um height



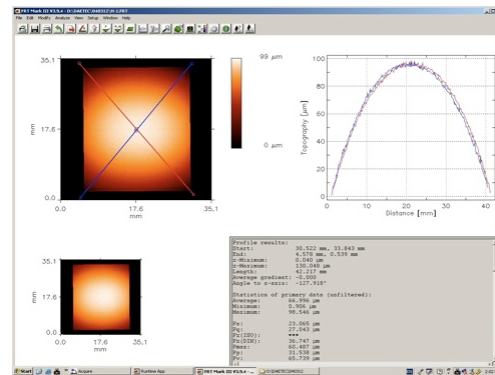
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# Interposer Initial Bow/Warp

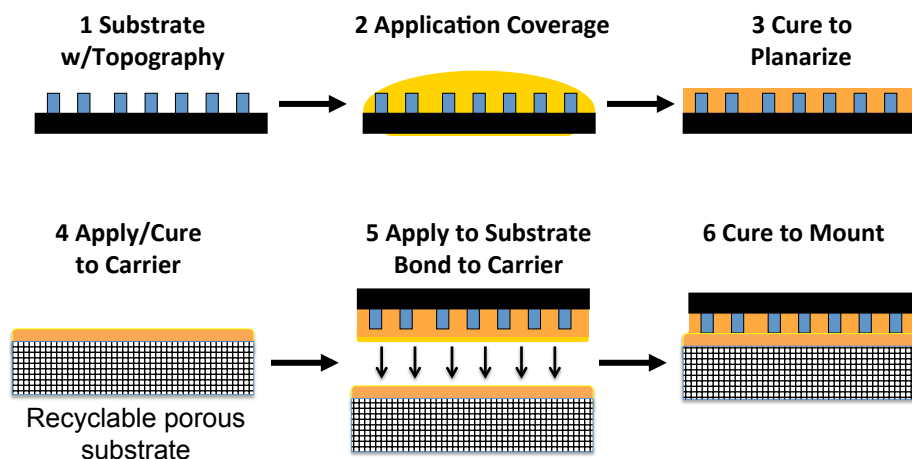
- Bow, measured by optical profilometry
- Beginning bow varies from 100-120um
- Convex shape
- Must reduce to <40um



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# Application

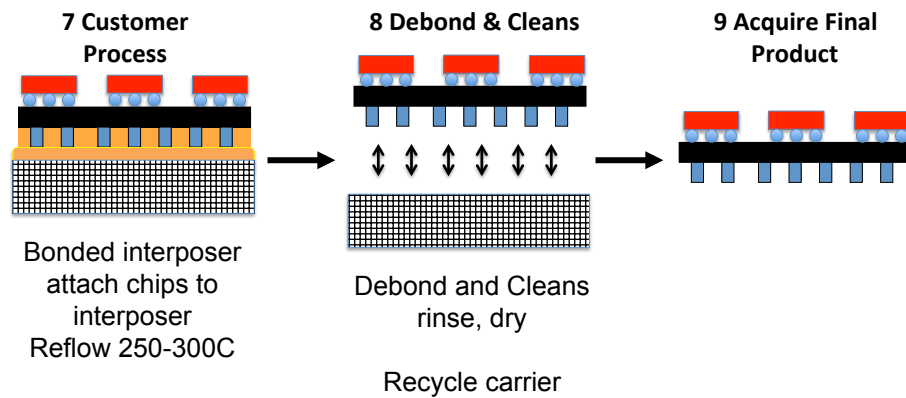


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## Post-Bonding Process

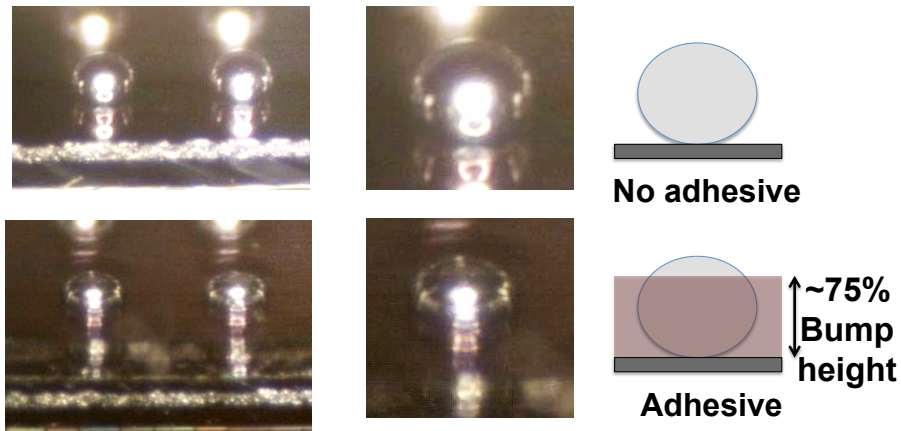


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## Adhesive Planarization

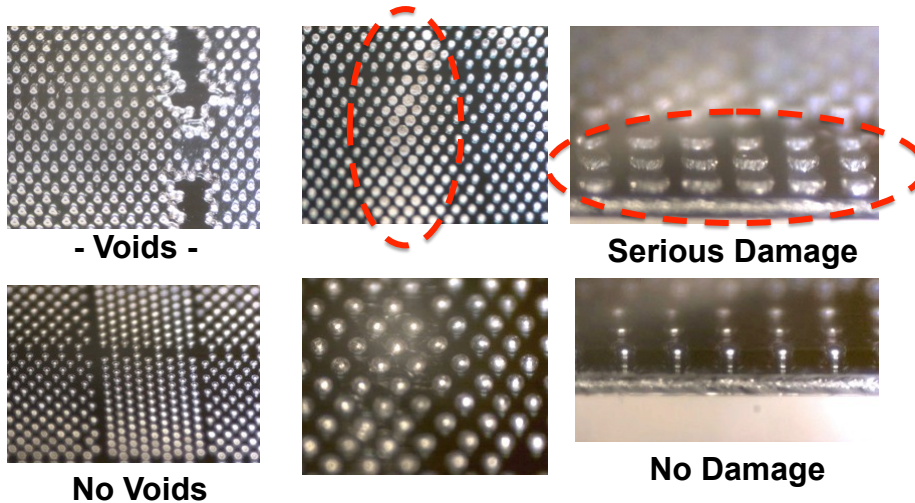


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## Planarization and Thermal



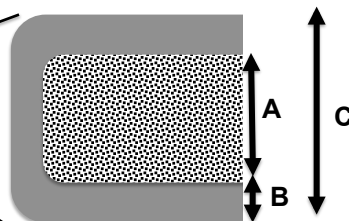
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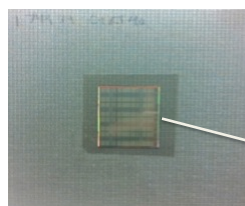
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## Porous Carrier

Porosity higher for inside material (A). Outer coating (B) is lower porosity



A = 0.5 – 0.8mm  
B = 0.1 – 0.25mm  
C = 0.5 – 1mm



Porous Carrier

TSI on adhesive



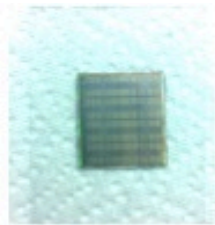
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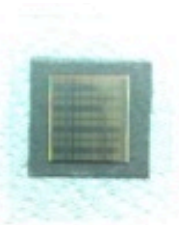
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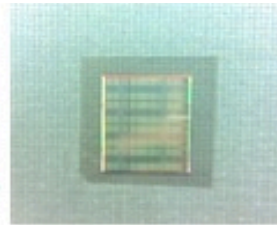
## Planarized & Bonded



**Glass**



**Semi-porous**



**Porous**

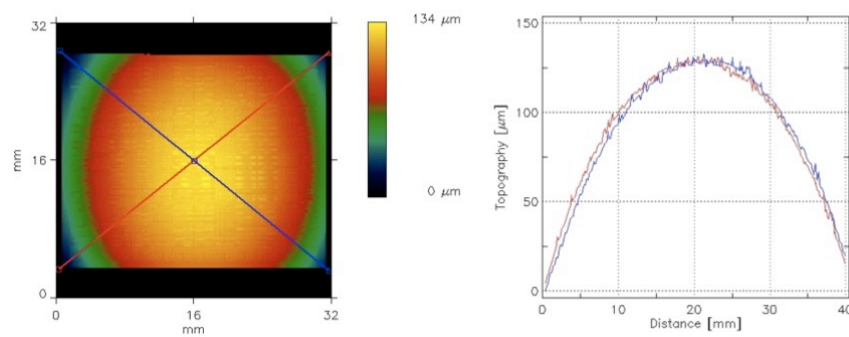


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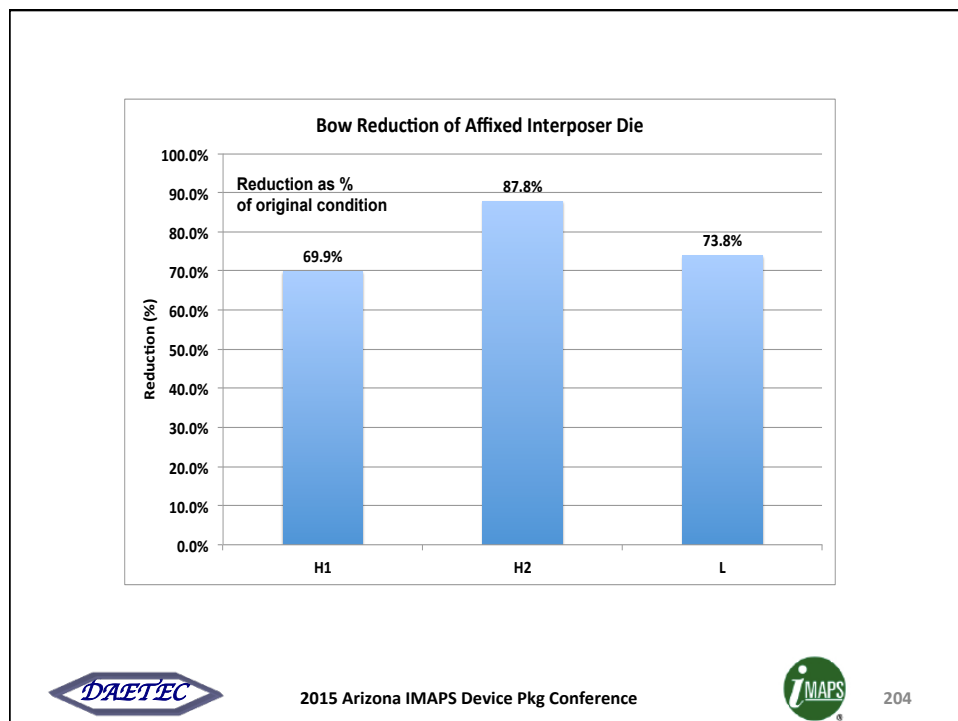
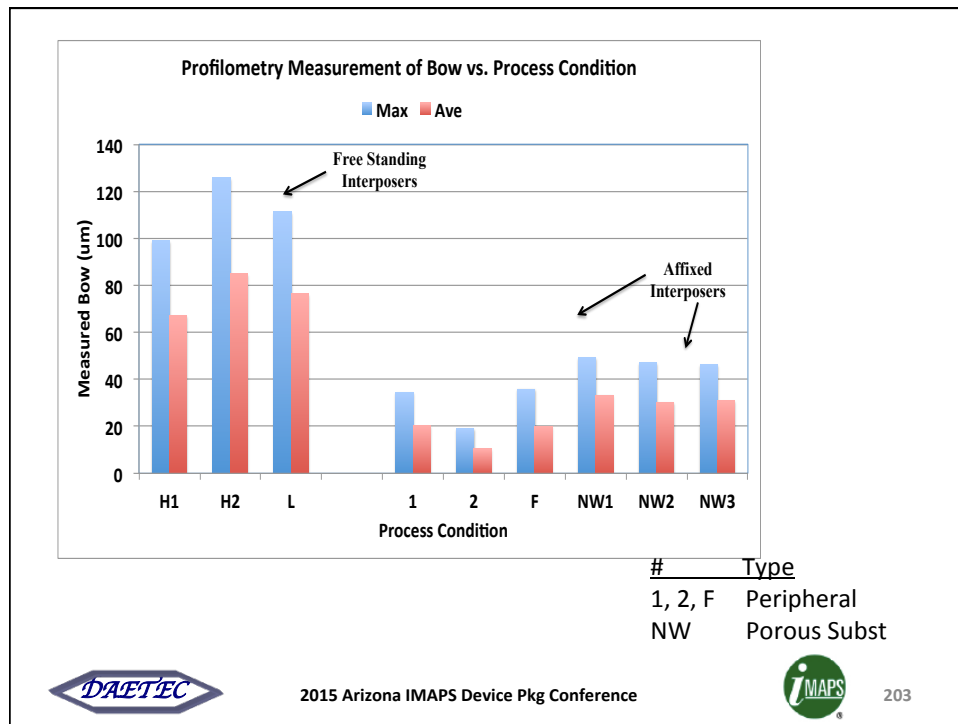
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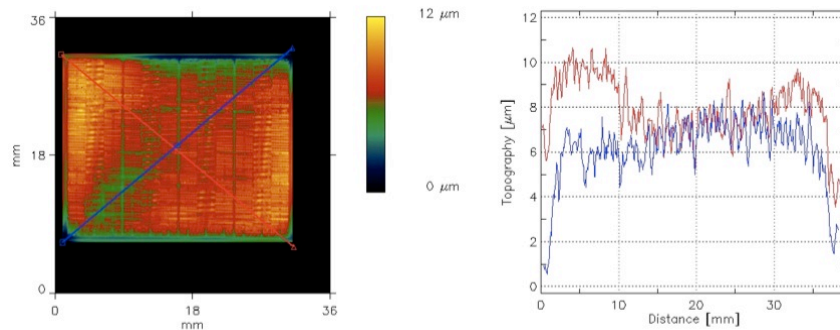
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## Results – Bonded TSI



Variation <12um

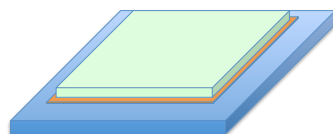


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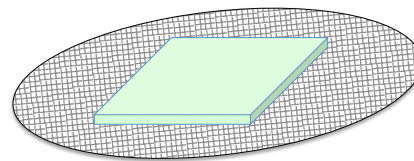
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## Rapid Bond/DeBond Options



### Glass Substrate

- Planarized interposer
- Peripheral bond



### Porous Substrate

- Planarized interposer
- Bulk adhesive bond

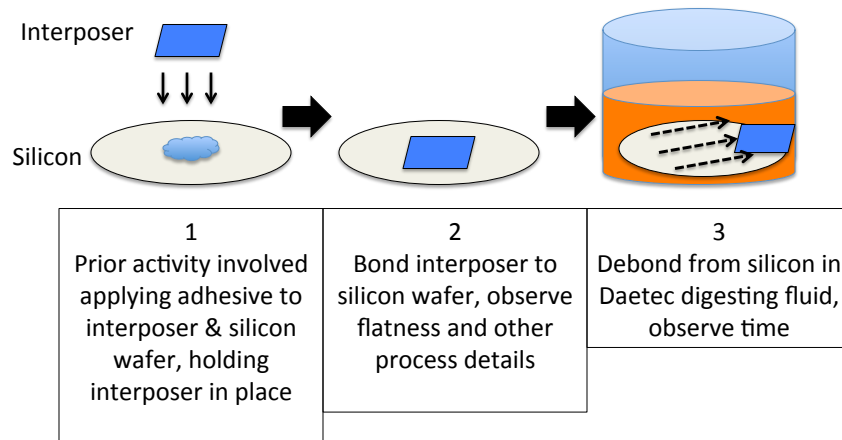


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## Results – DeBonding



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## Small Devices for Thermal Processing

### Appearance of Bottom

Name	#1	#2	#3
Dimension	0.95cm x 0.95cm	1.65cm x 1.15cm	0.95cm x 0.95cm
Overview			
Microscopic Picture			

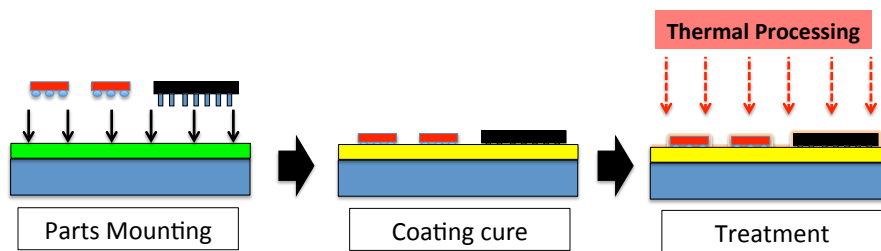


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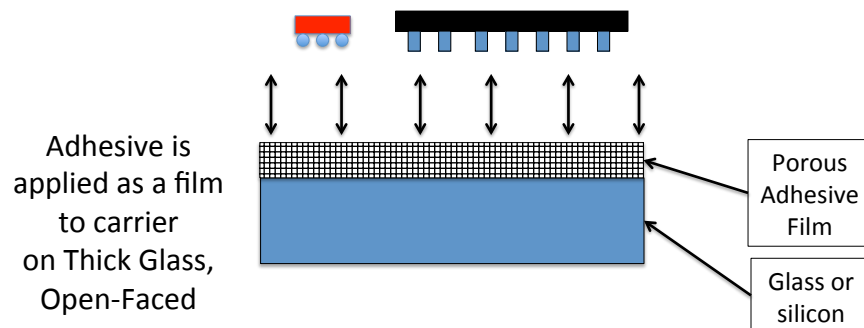


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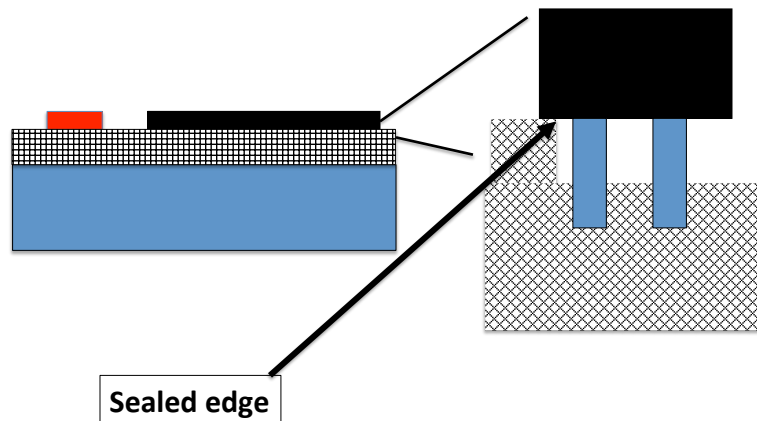


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## Component Bonding

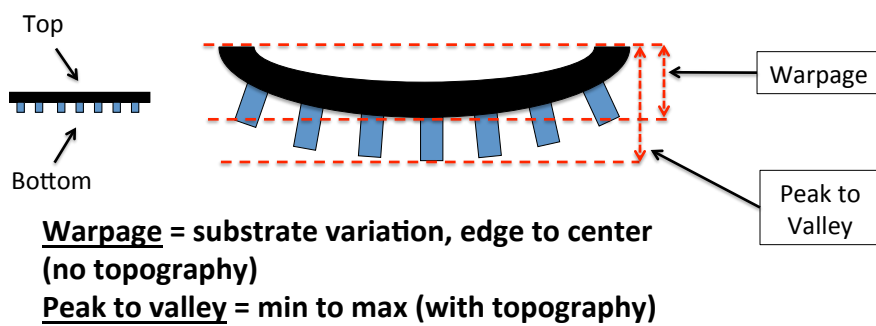


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## Substrate Description

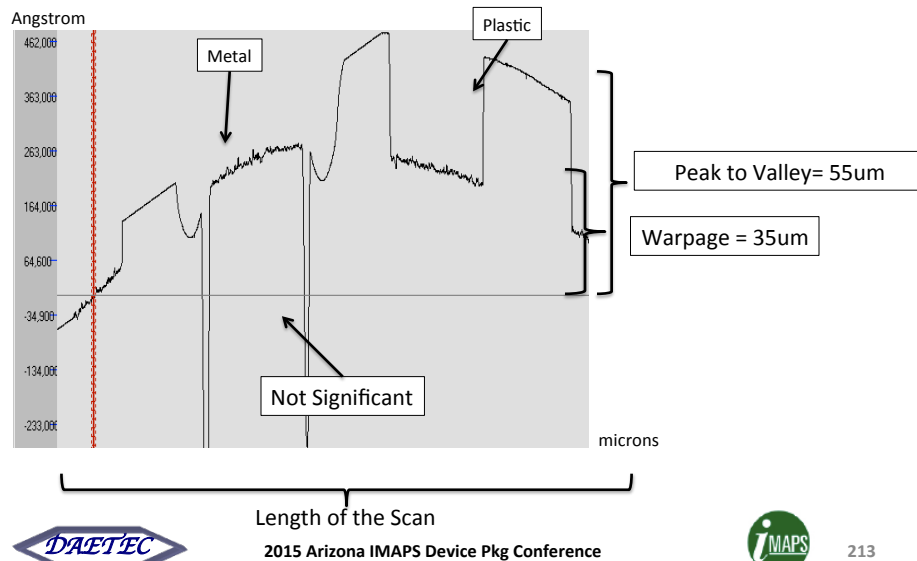


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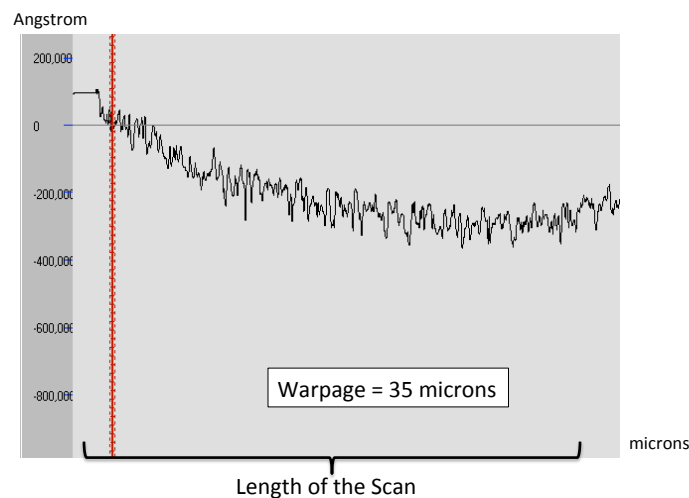


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## Surface Scan (Bottom of Substrate #1)



## Surface Scan (Top of Substrate #1)



## Ability to Bond & Seal w/Topography

Use of various DaeCoat products

Substrate	Peak to Valley ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Warpage ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Adhesive thickness <60 $\mu\text{m}$	Adhesive thickness >60 $\mu\text{m}$
#1	55	35	B	B
#2	14	<5	A	A
#3	26	23	B	B

**A= Bond + Edge Seal (Ideal Process)**

**B= Bond**

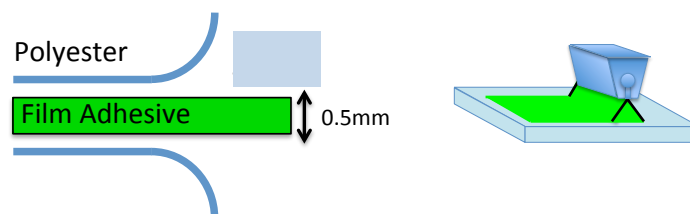


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## Adhesive Film - Options



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Use as B-stage film,  
thickness can vary

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Slit-coating to substrates,  
SB cure, process as  
desired



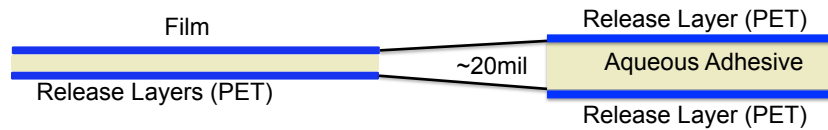
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## Film w/Release Layers



- Aqueous-based adhesive
- Thickness = 20mil ~500um ~0.5mm
- No backing
- Sandwiched between PET release layers
- Remove 1<sup>st</sup> PET liner, apply to substrate
- Use a rubber roller, apply exposed adhesive to substrate, increase pressure onto PET facing up, remove 2<sup>nd</sup> PET liner, proceed with bonding

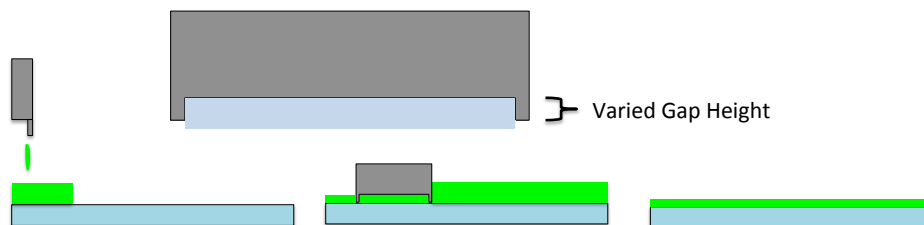


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## Slit Coating

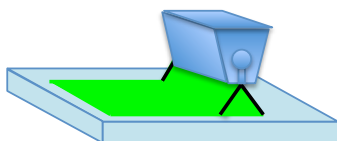


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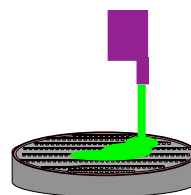


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## Slit vs Spin



Slit Coating  
 “What you see is what you get”  
 Predominant in display  
 No waste



Spin Coating  
 “What you see is what you hope was applied”  
 Predominant Semiconductor  
 $\geq 50\%$  waste

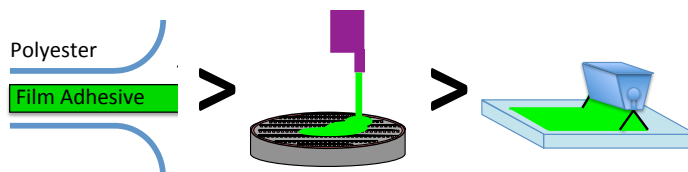


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## Cost Considerations



Parameter	Film w/release liners	Spin Coating	Slit Coating
Coating solids (%)	80-100	<100	100
Cost (\$/cm <sup>2</sup> )*	<0.05	<0.05	<0.02
Convenience	High	Med	Med
Tool Required	-none-	coater	coater

\*assume best case conditions with max solids for coating capability

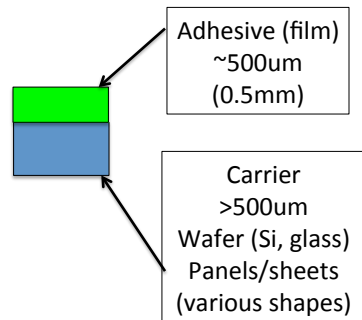


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## Configuration Description



### Challenges

Thickness ~0.5mm

Uniformity <10% variability

Deliverability (i.e. coating vs film)

- Tape style – highest cost, disposable peel layers
  - Spin coat – also high cost, waste >50%
  - Slit coat – lowest cost, display technology
- Each coating technology requires special product viscosity



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## PSA Properties Development

- PSA coating properties: encapsulating
- Form as a thick film with release layers or coating onto substrate to create a thick film
- Very low outgas at >200C
- Simple removal in DIW, options:
  - Re-usable fixture to capture components
  - Simple tape apply to components during carrier release – similar to DaeBond 3D

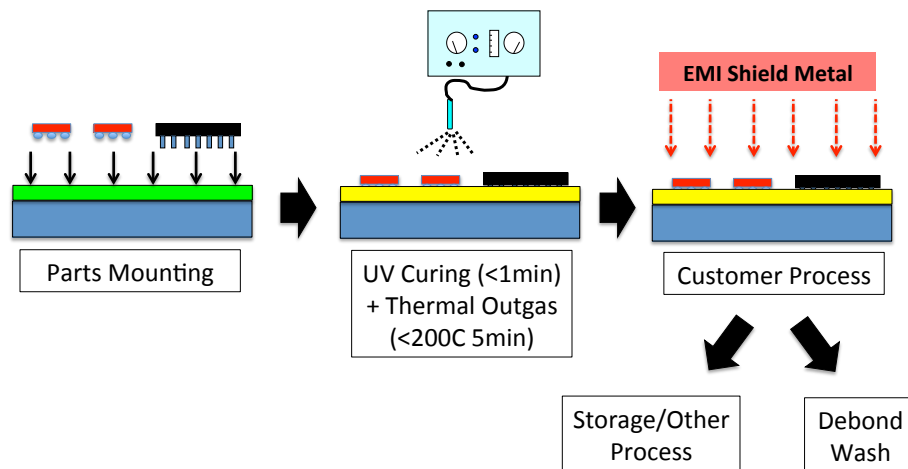


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## UV Cure Film/Coating

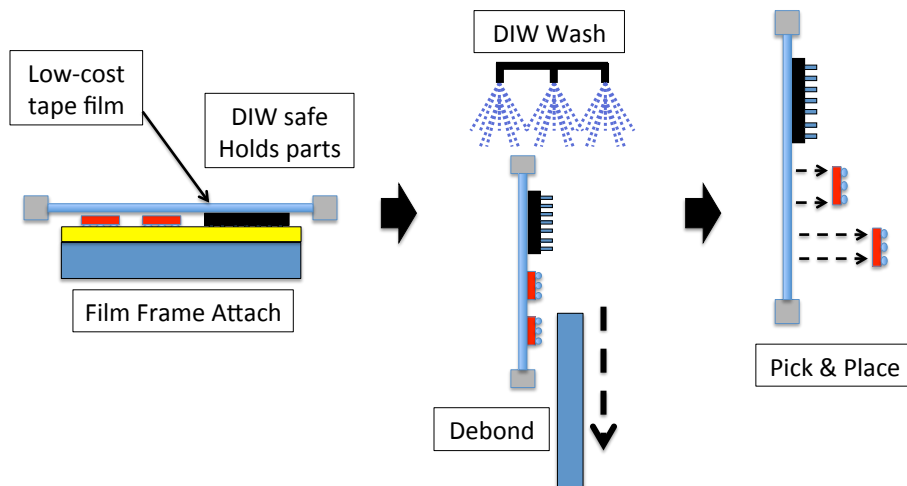


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## Debond/Rinsing



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