
生物微流體技術

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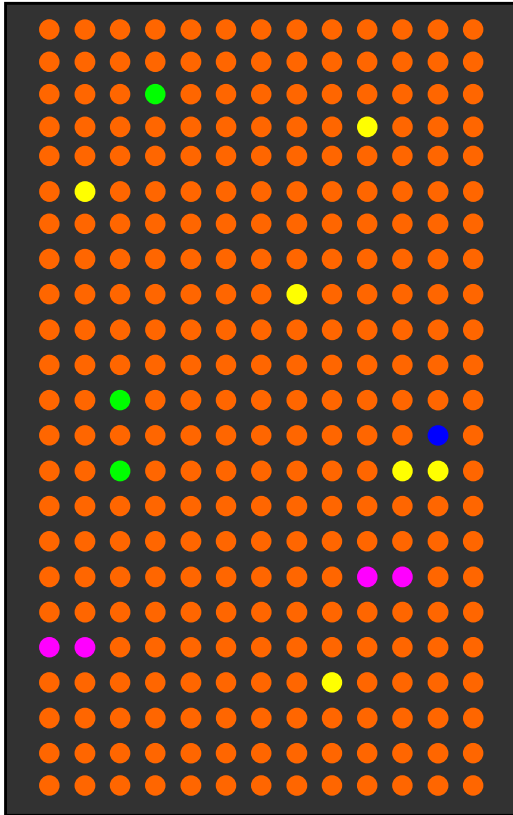


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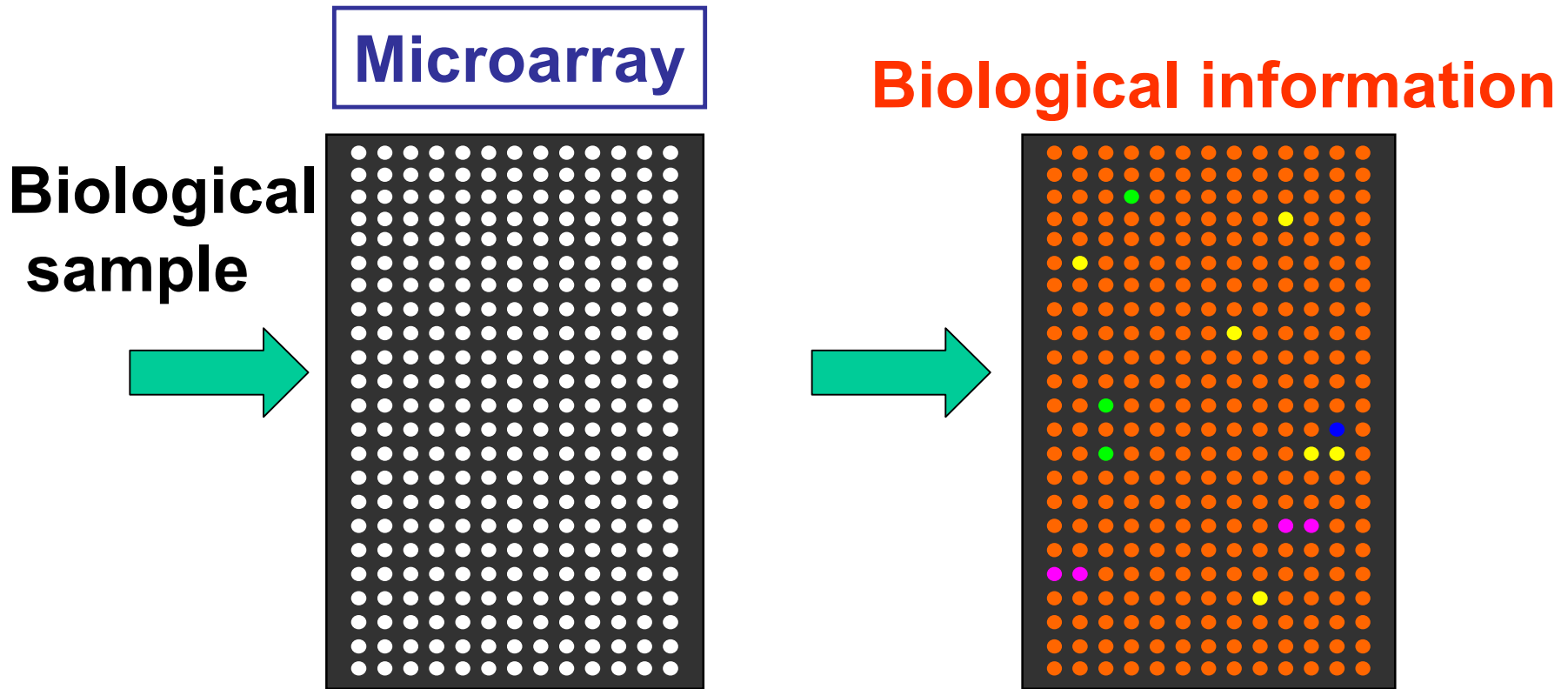
● 微陣列製程技術

- Contact Printing
- Non-contact printing

● 微流體系統技術

What and Why “Microarray” ?

- *What is Microarray ?*
- *Why using Microarray ?*



Classification of microarray printing techniques

Photolithography manufacturing technique

Droplet-Injection Printing (Non-Contact method)

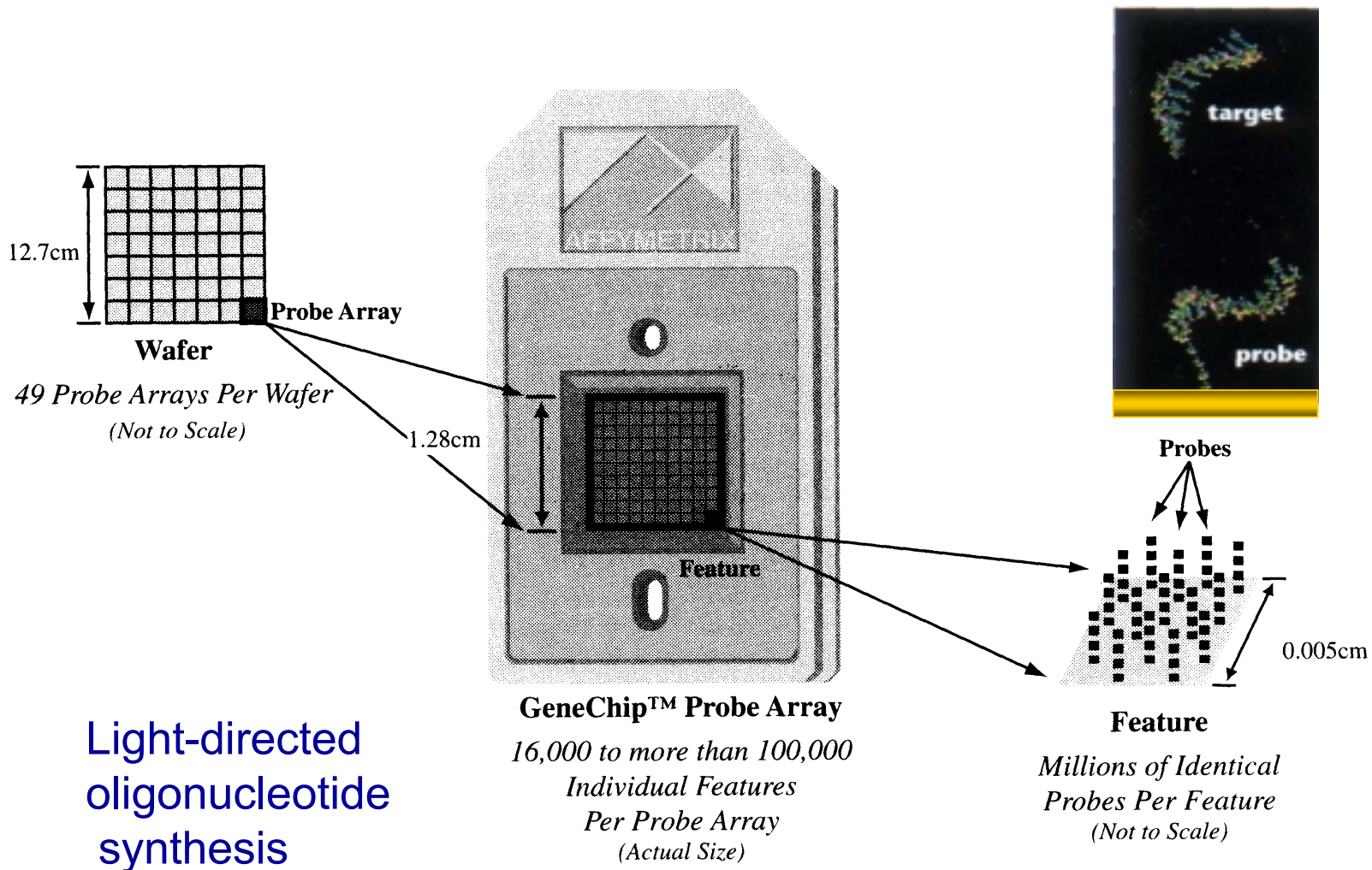
- Fluid delivery by injection onto substrate
- Active sample pickup
- Programmable print volume



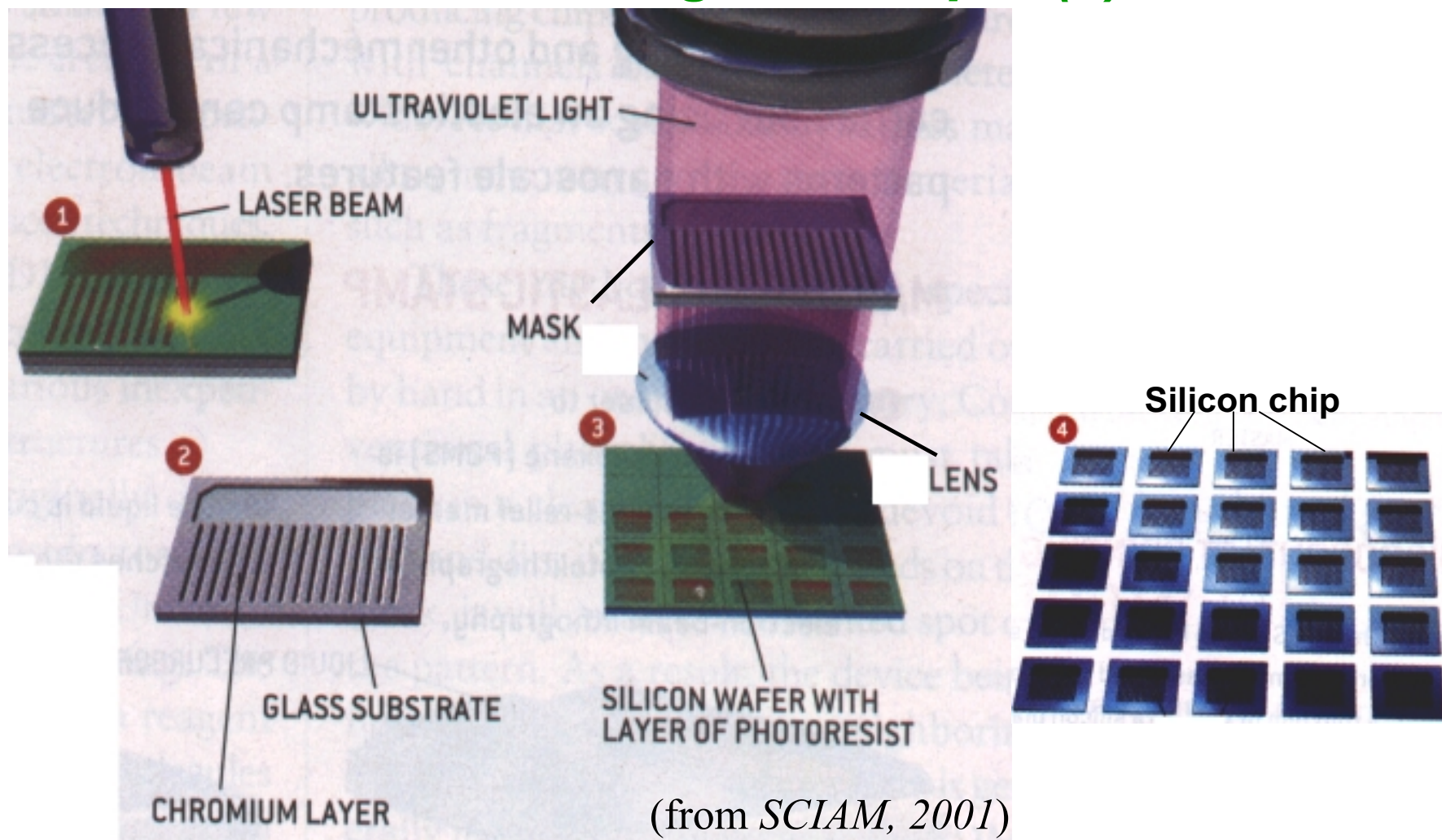
Pin-Printing (Contact method)

- Fluid delivery through contact pins onto substrate
- Passive sample pickup (pin dipping)
- Fixed print volume

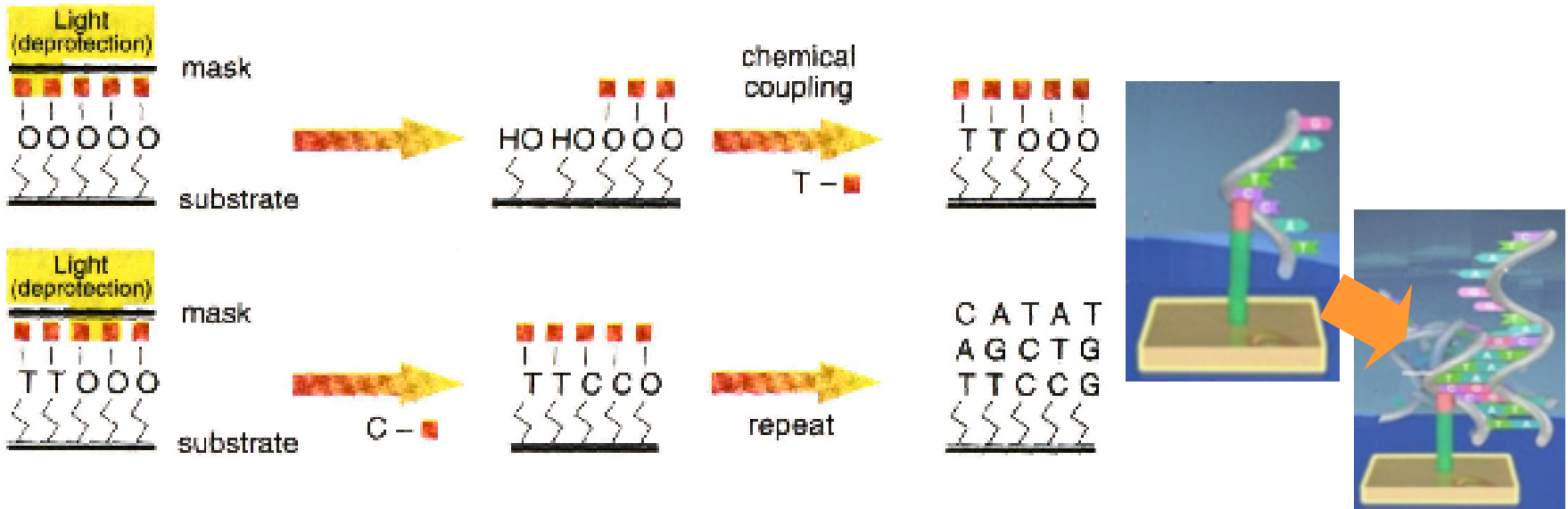
Photolithography Manufacturing Technique (I)



Photolithography Manufacturing Technique (II)



Photolithography Manufacturing Technique (III)



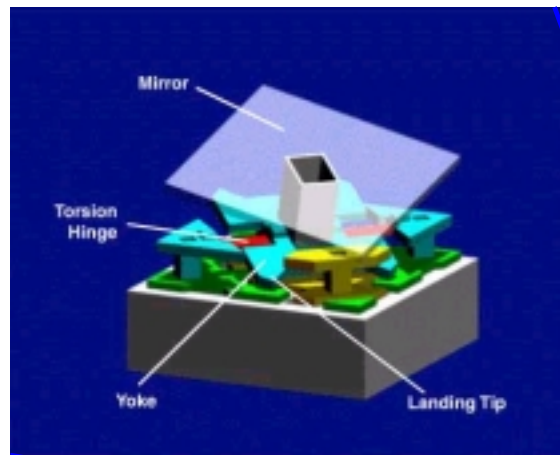
Advantages:

- no cloning, spotting and no PCR required
- high feature density

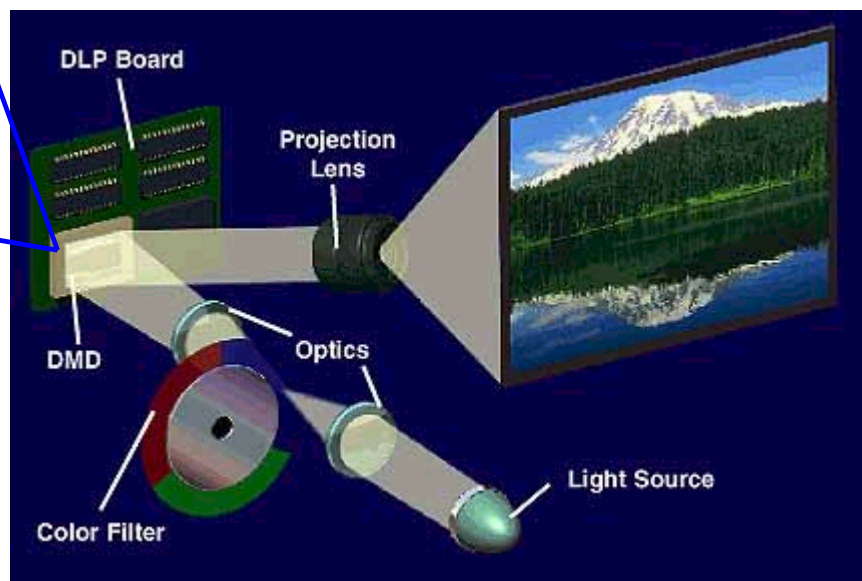
Disadvantages:

- high cost process
- lower chemical step yields
- low manufacture flexibility

Photolithography Manufacturing Technique (IV)



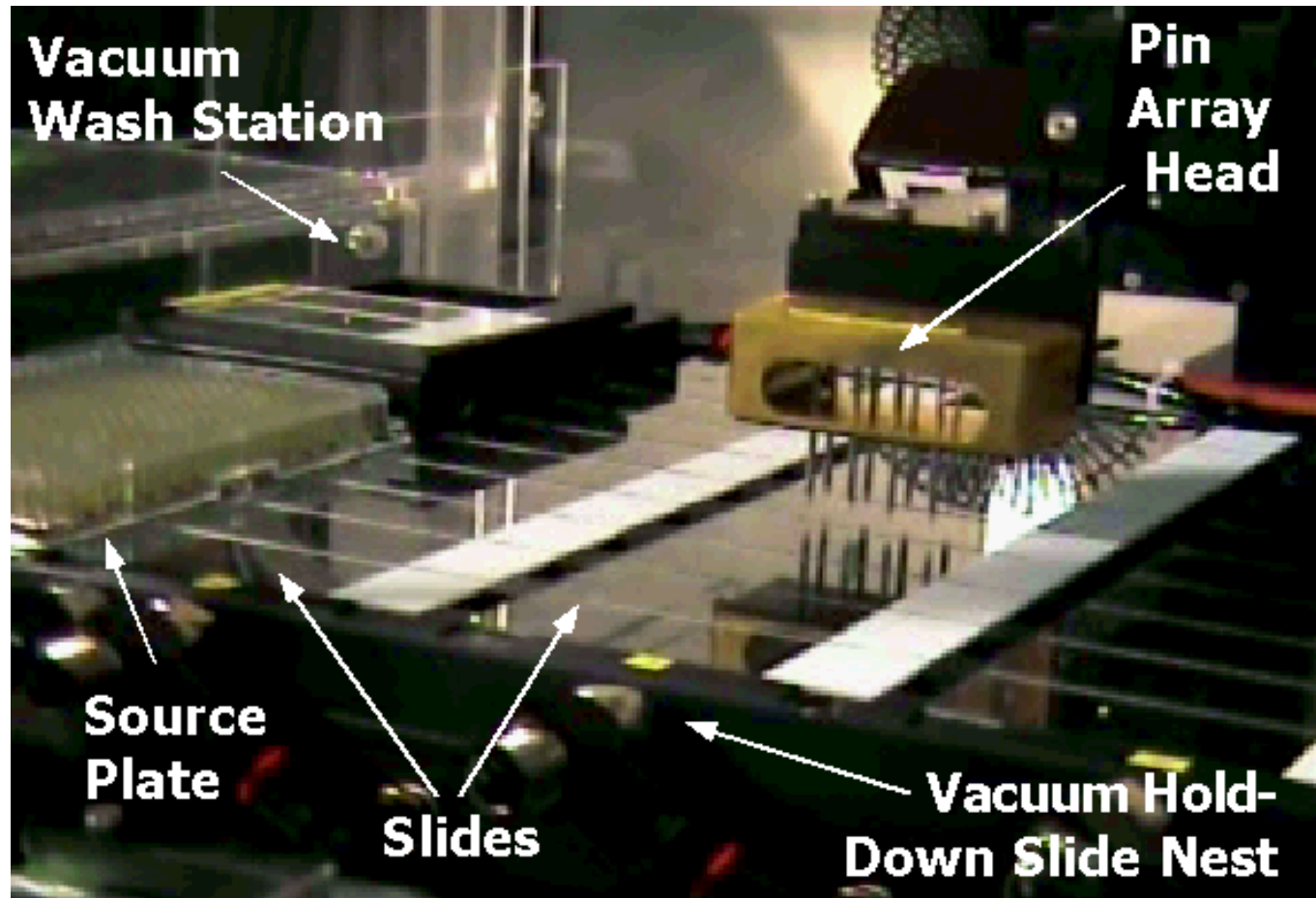
DMD, a solution for flexibility, simplicity and reduced cost



(WWW.TI.COM)



Pin-printing system



Microarray Printing System (I)

Function:

General requirements:

- robust for long-period use*
- automation with little/no user intervention*
- high precision*
- high reproducibility*

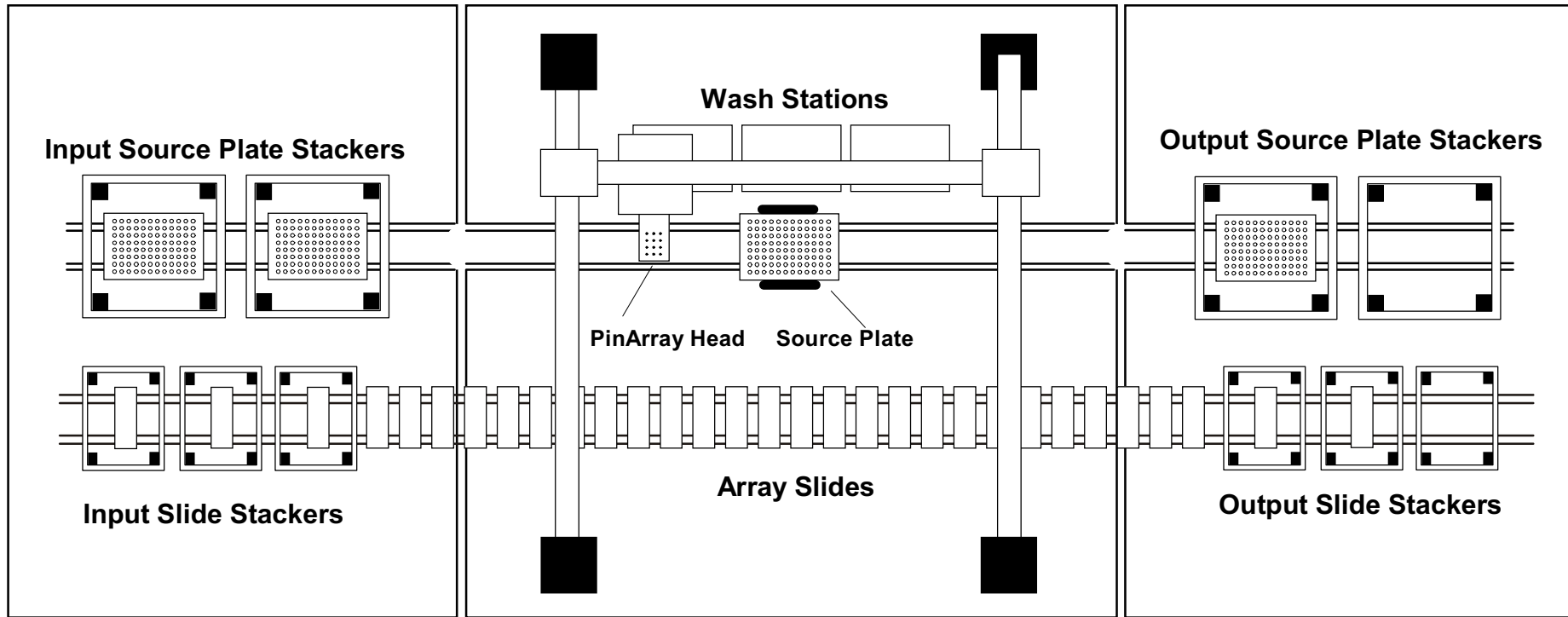


Microarray Printing System (II)

- **Printing system includes Hardware & Software**
- **Hardware:**
 - print head
 - plate and substrate handling
 - XYZ-positioning stage
 - environmental control system
- **Software:**
 - instrument control software
 - sample tracking software



Microarray Printing System (III)



Input Stacking Module

Pin Array Transfer Module
(100 source plates, 300 slides)

Output Stacking Module



XYZ-Positioning Stage

Requirements:

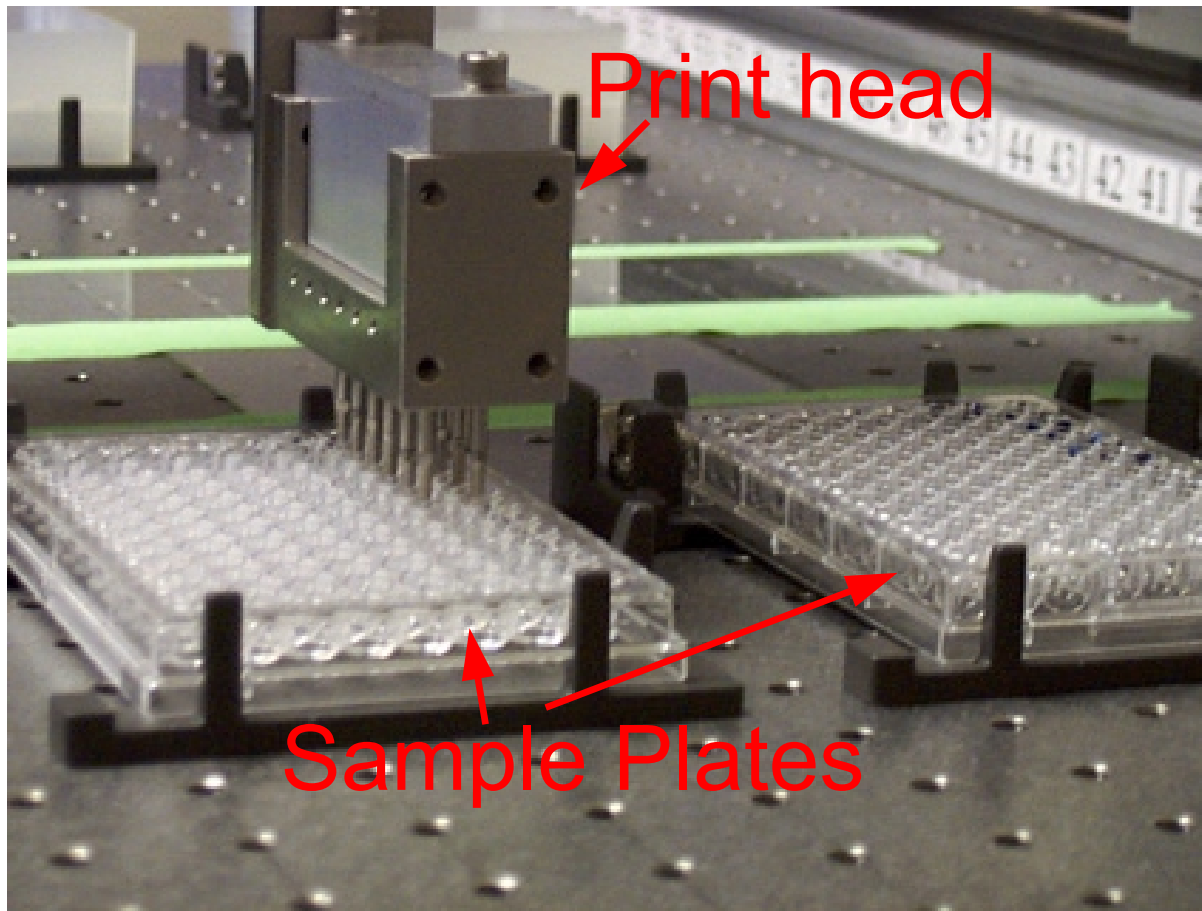
- Repeatability
- Accuracy
- Resolution
- Traversing velocity
- Positioning feedback

Maximum traversing velocity ↗ Resolution ↘
Accuracy ↘; vice versa.

Encoded stepping motor ⇒ Resolution ↗ cost ↗

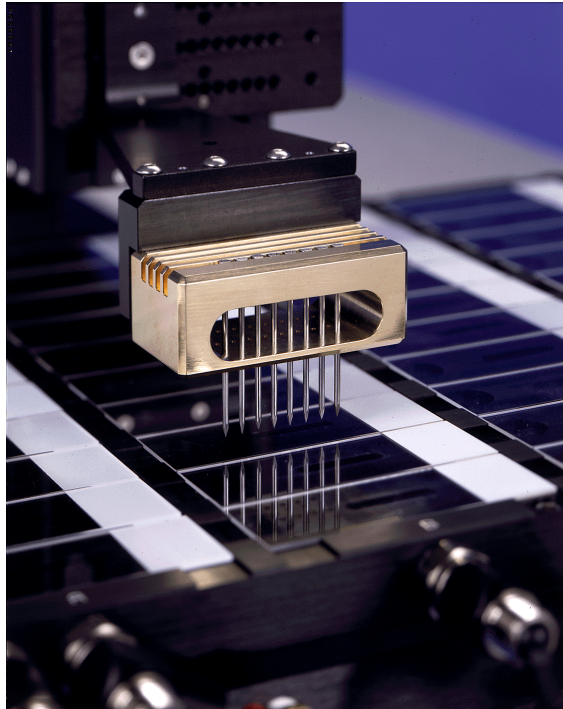


Loading samples

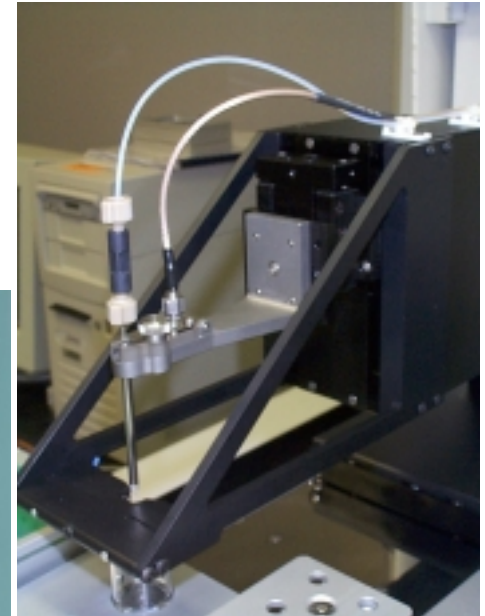
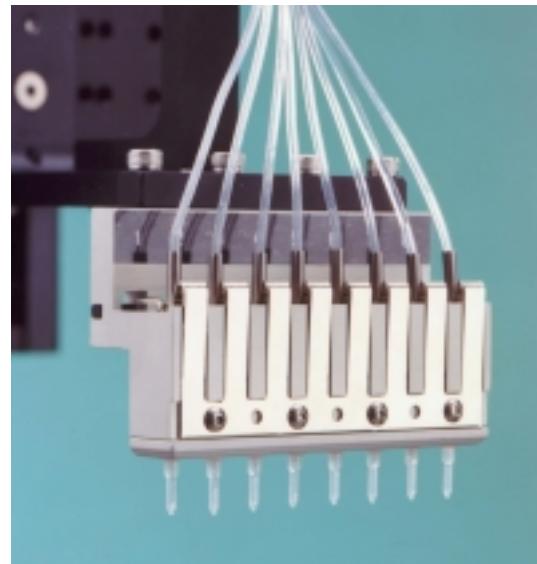


Examples of Printing Head

Up to 64 pins

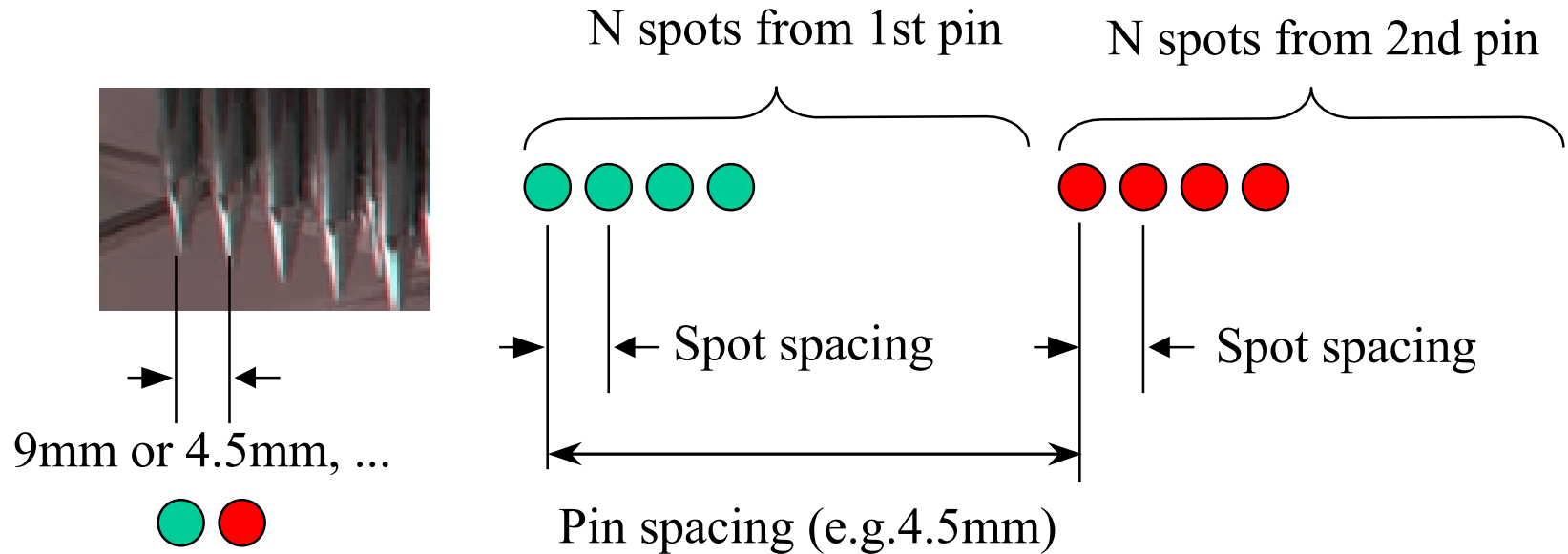


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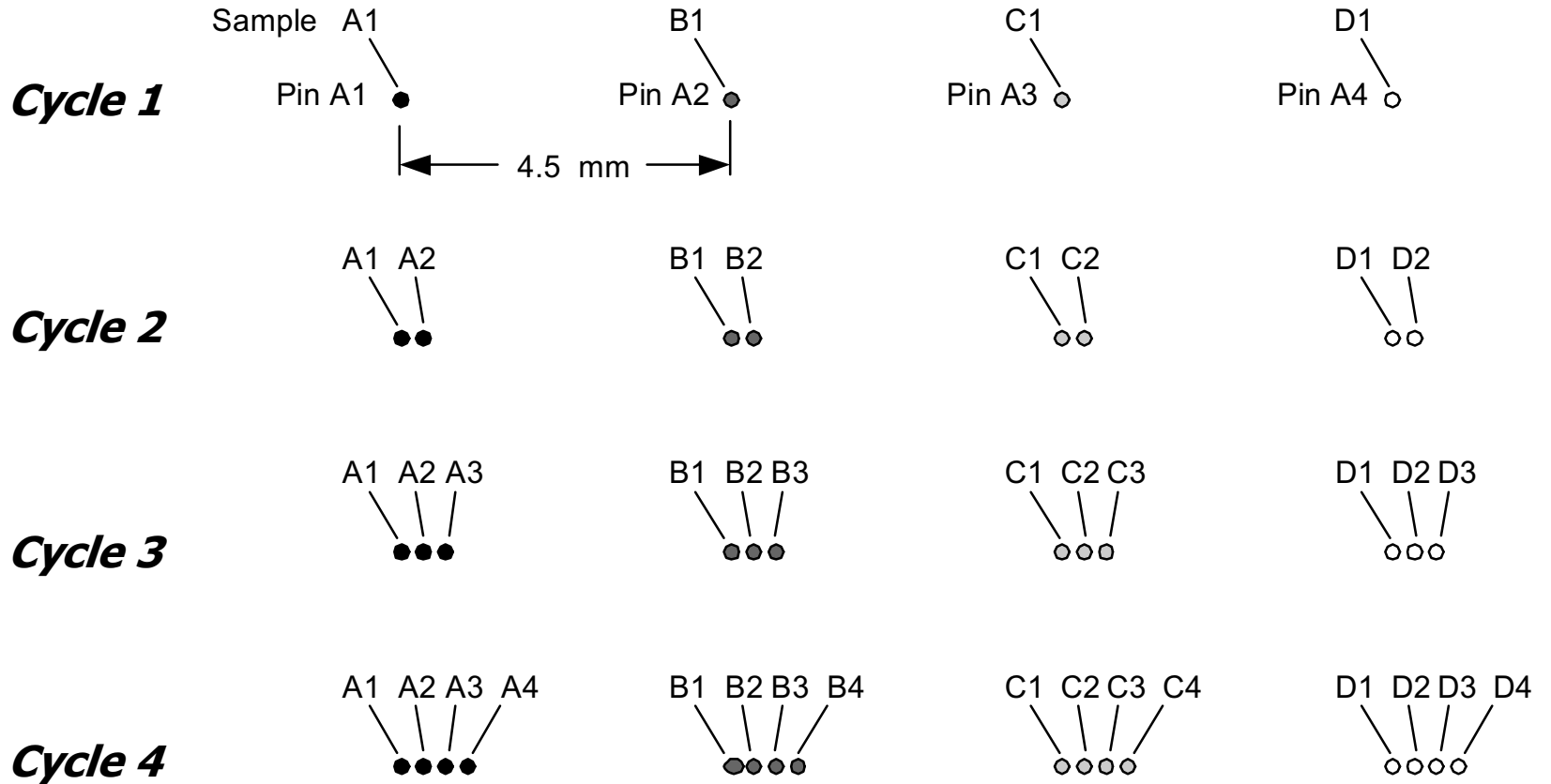
And more

Pin Spacing & Spot spacing

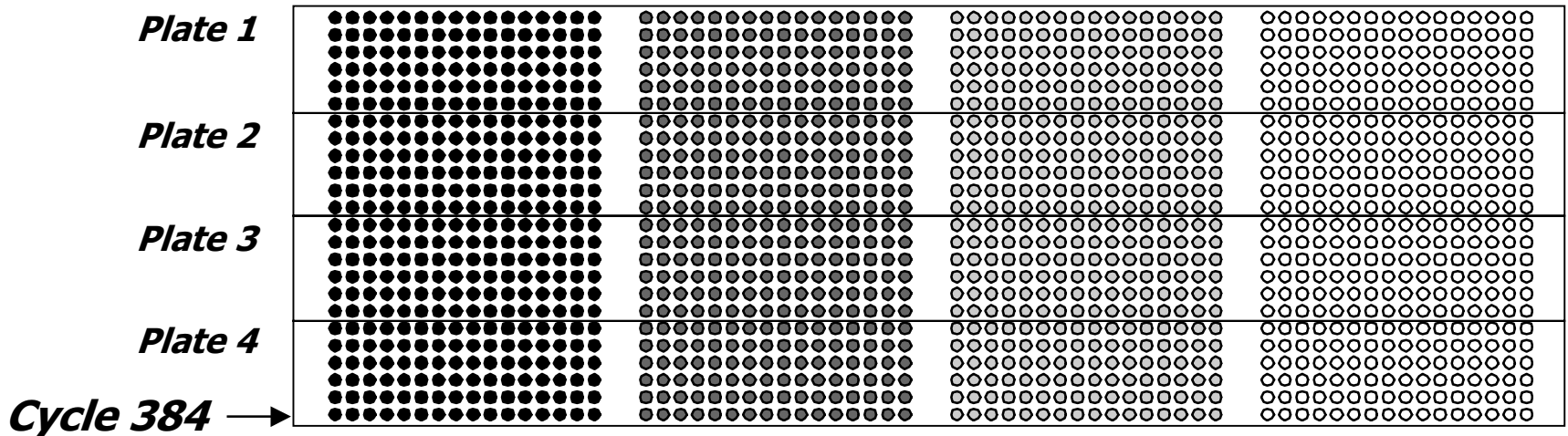
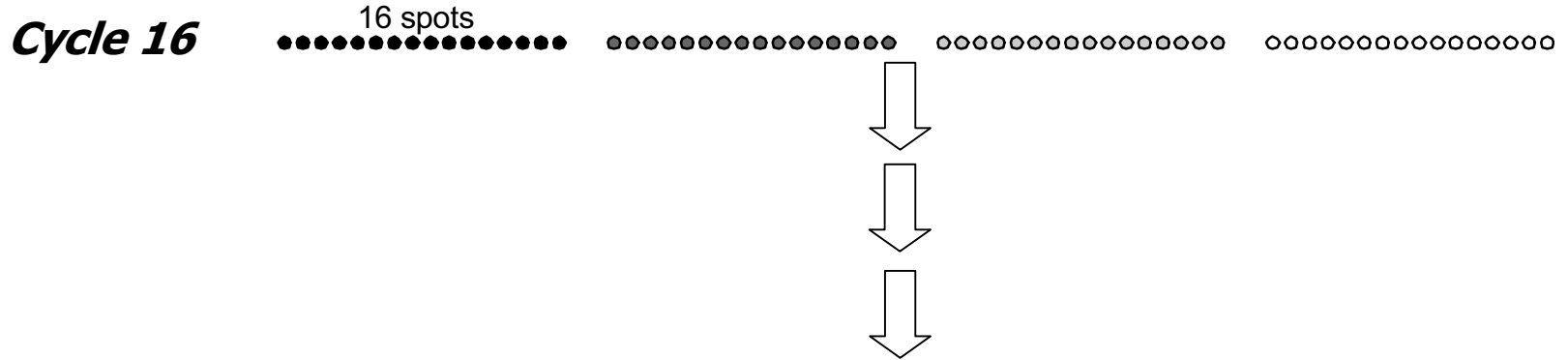


Pin spacing = spot spacing x N
N should match for the use of well plates
(96 (8 x 12) or 384 (16 x 24)).

Deposition Process (I)



Deposition Process (II)



Characteristics of the pin-printing

- **Pin-based transfer**
- **Simple and inexpensive**
- **Transfer process**
 1. **Pin dipped into sample (Volume held at tip by surface tension)**
 2. **Pin touched to surface to leave spot**
 3. **Pin washed and dried**
- **Fixed print volume**
- **Spot volume dependent on several factors**
 - **Pin surface energy and shape**
 - **Sample solution properties (viscosity, surface energy)**
 - **Surface properties (surface energy)**



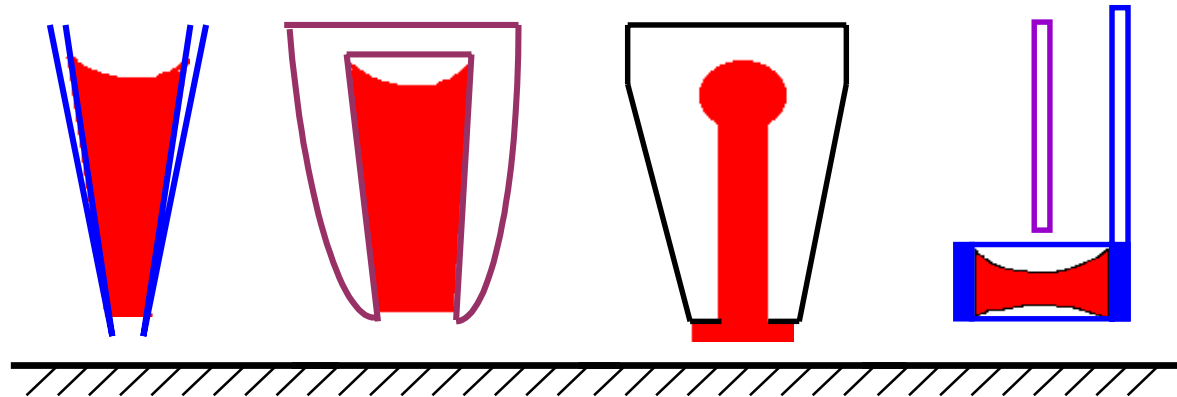
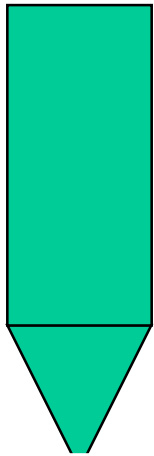
Variations of Pin-design

♠ Solid pin:

- simple & robust
- relatively small loading volume
- printing process rather low

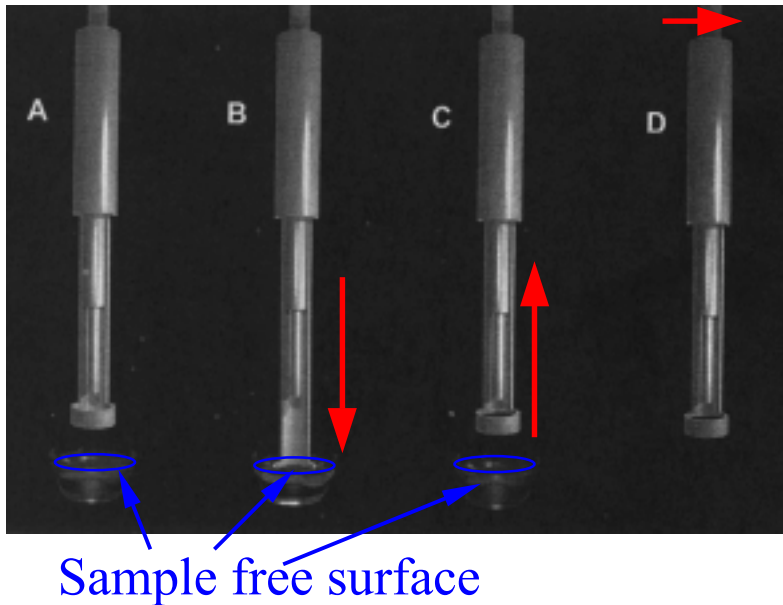
♠ Hollow pin:

- hold larger sample volumes for each stroke
- fragile & difficult to clean
- susceptible to rust for high salt solution
- relatively expensive

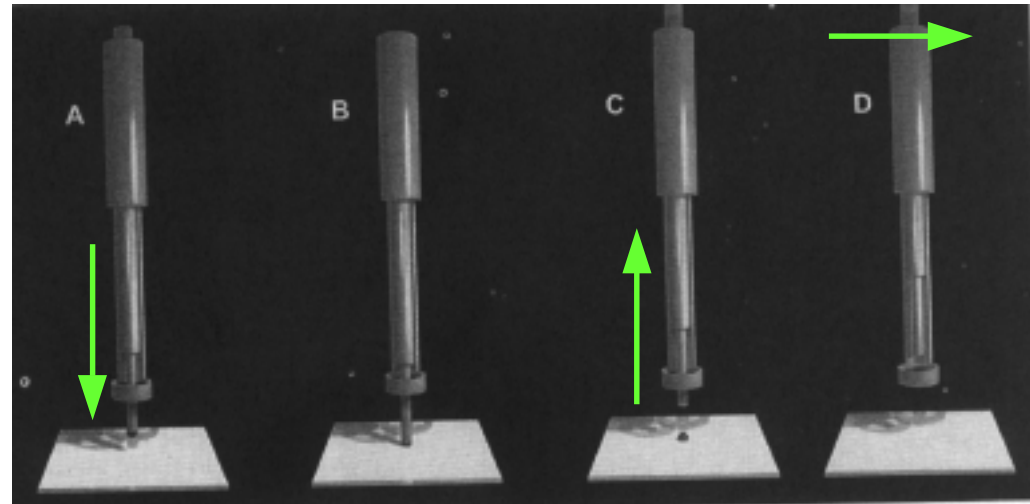


Working Process for Pin-and Ring

(a) Loading sample by Ring

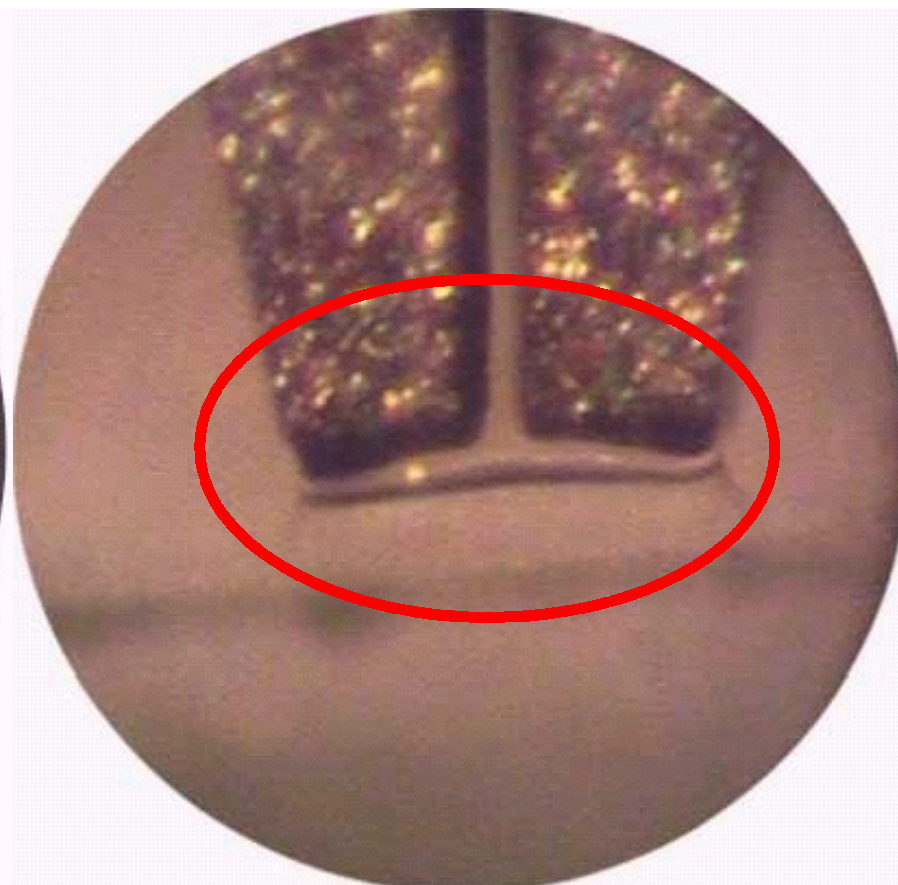


(b) Printing sample by Pin



(from Schena)

Example of Hollow Pins

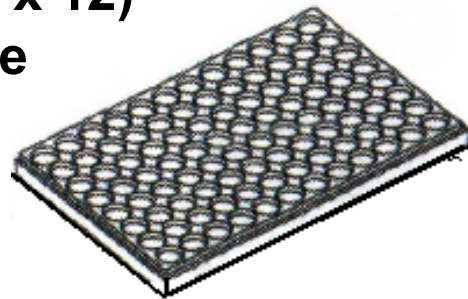


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Telechem International
ArrayIt ChipMaker Pins

Print head

- Requirement: pin should be held, but can move freely up and down (by spring/gravitation) during contact with to the glass surface.
- The spacing of pins or nozzles is restricted by the geometry of source microplates. 96-, 384- and 1536-well microplate have center-to-center spacing 9, 4.5 and 2.25mm

96-well (8 x 12)
microplate

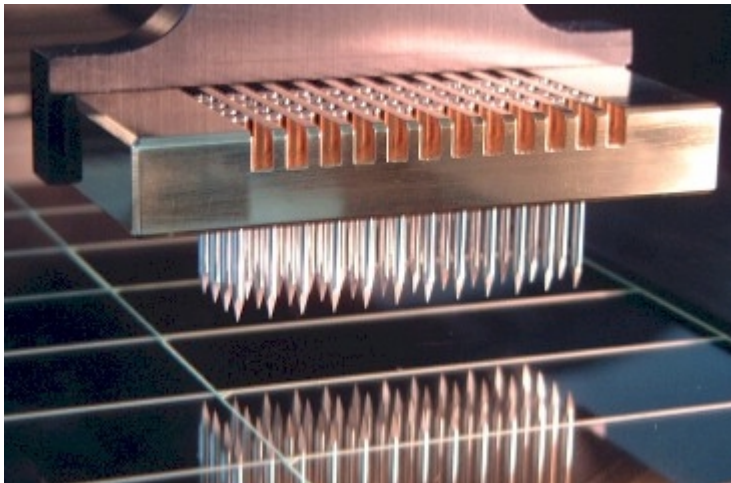


384-well (16 x 24)
microplate

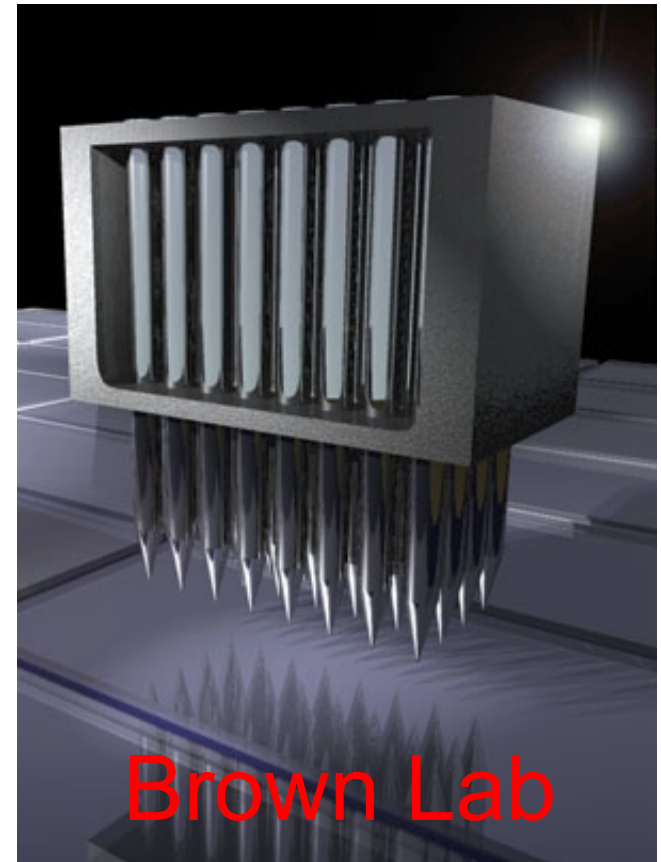


Examples of Print head Matrix

Up to 64 pins



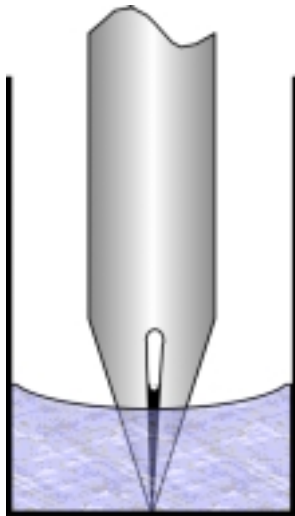
TeleChem ArrayIt™
Stealth Printhead (SPH48)



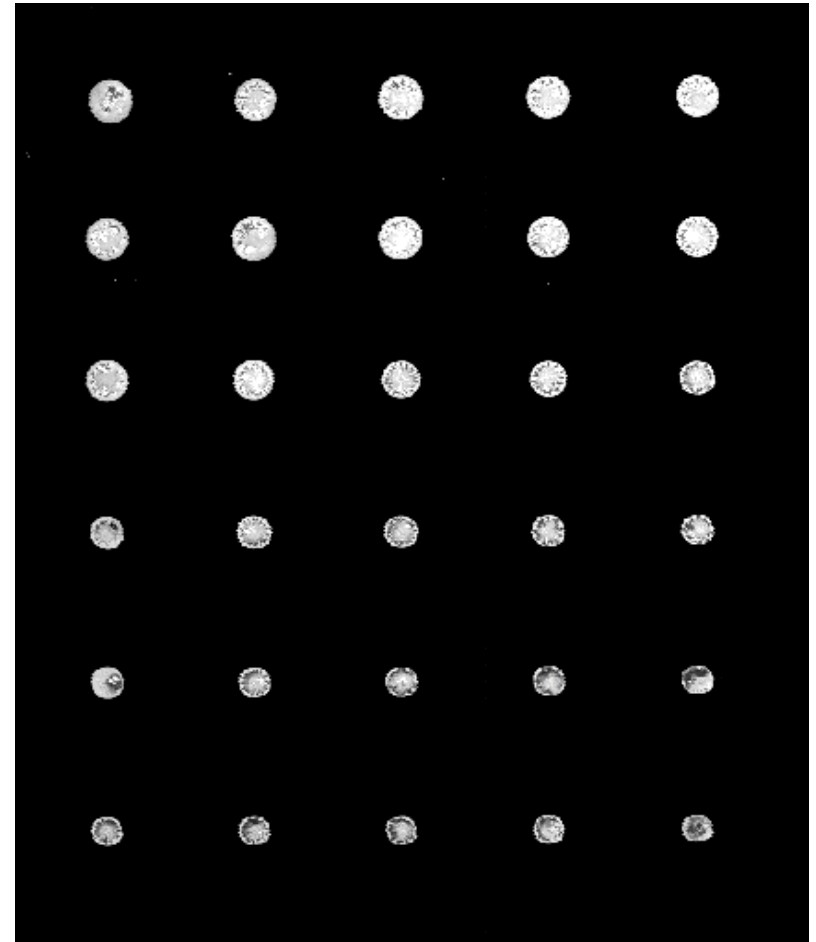
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Loading sample & Pre-printing

- * Pin should not dip too deep into sample
- * Pin can touch bottom of well
- * 10 to 15 uL in 384-well plate

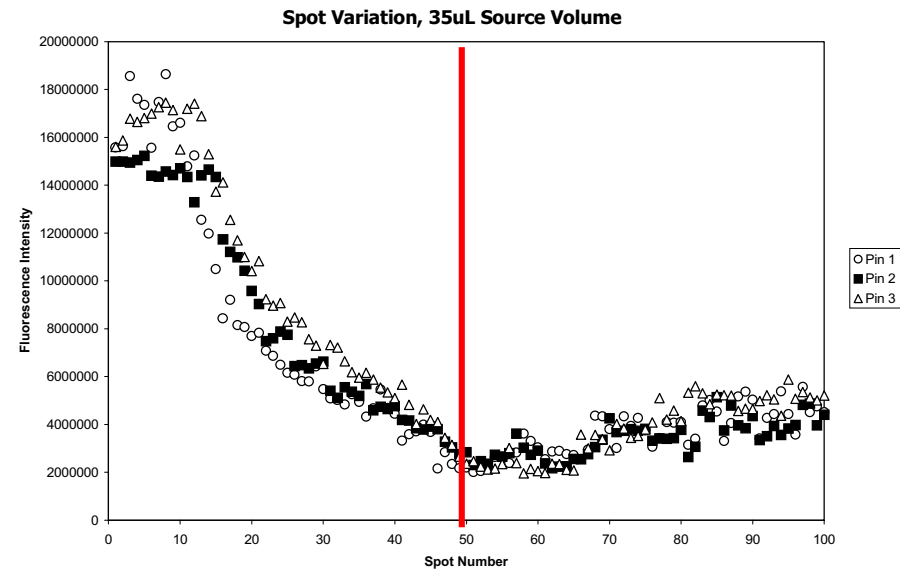
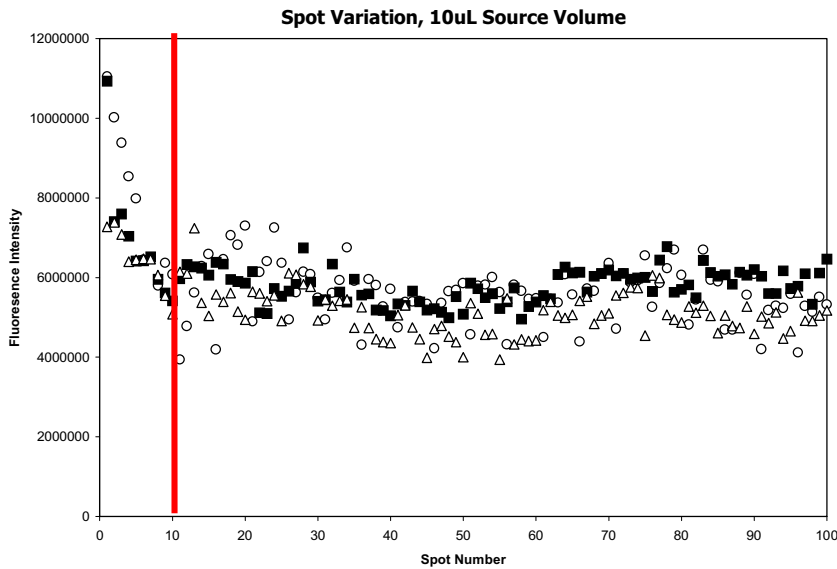


*First 30 spots
from one pin
(Cy3-labeled
oligo)*

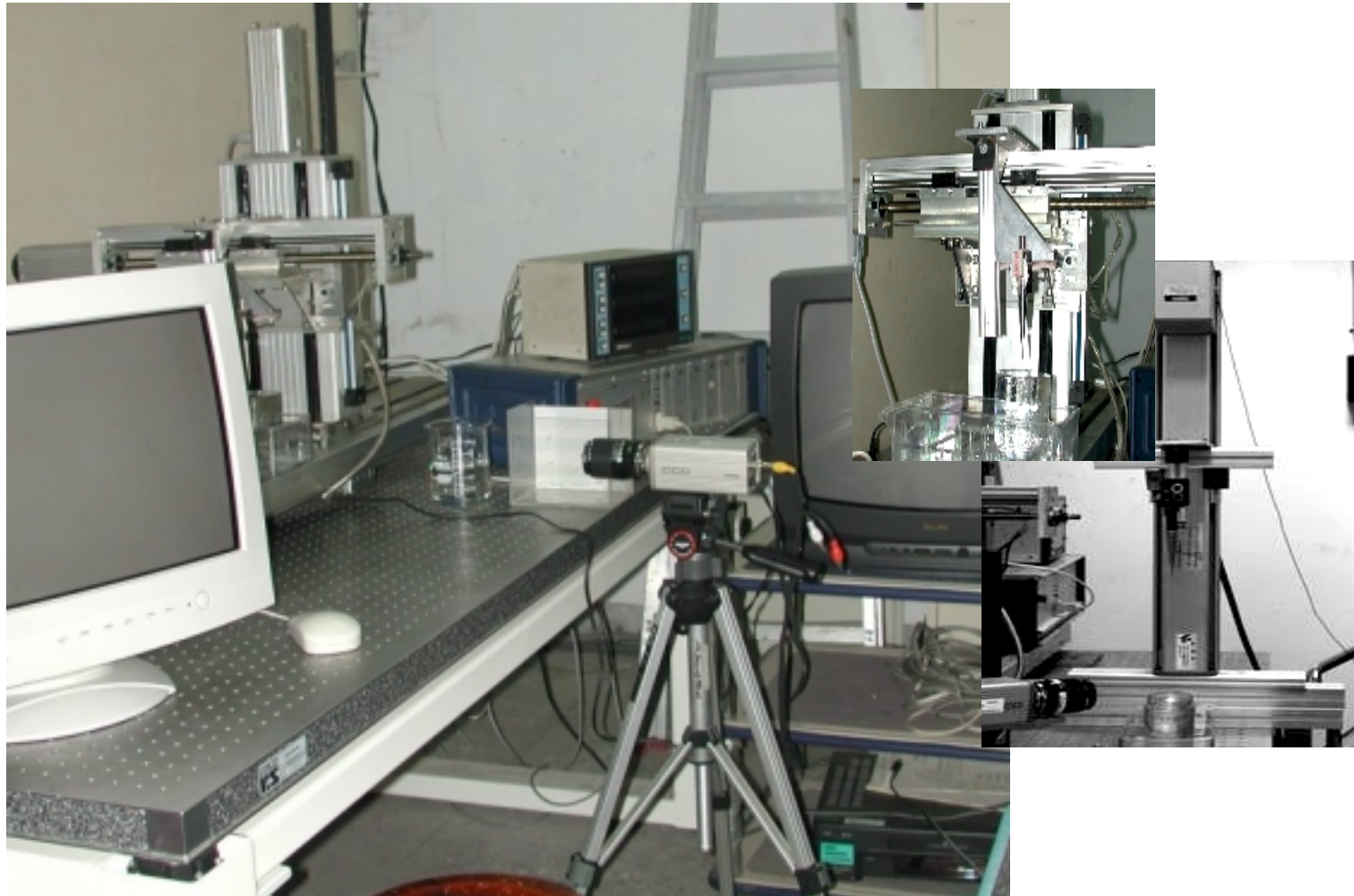


Preprinting of Sample Loading

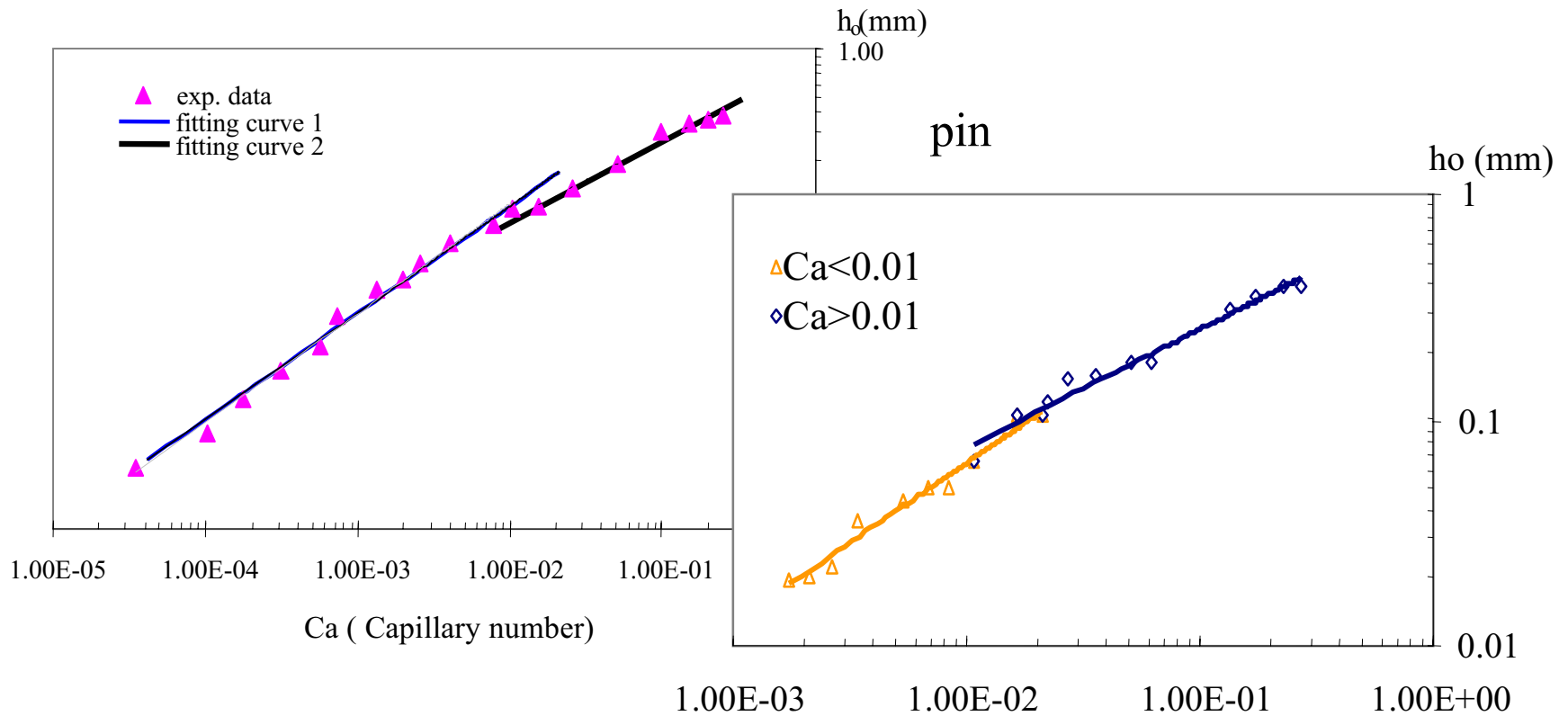
- The preprinting is necessary to drain excess sample solution from the pin
- Empirical best results from 1mm-layer (4-6 μ l) on microplate



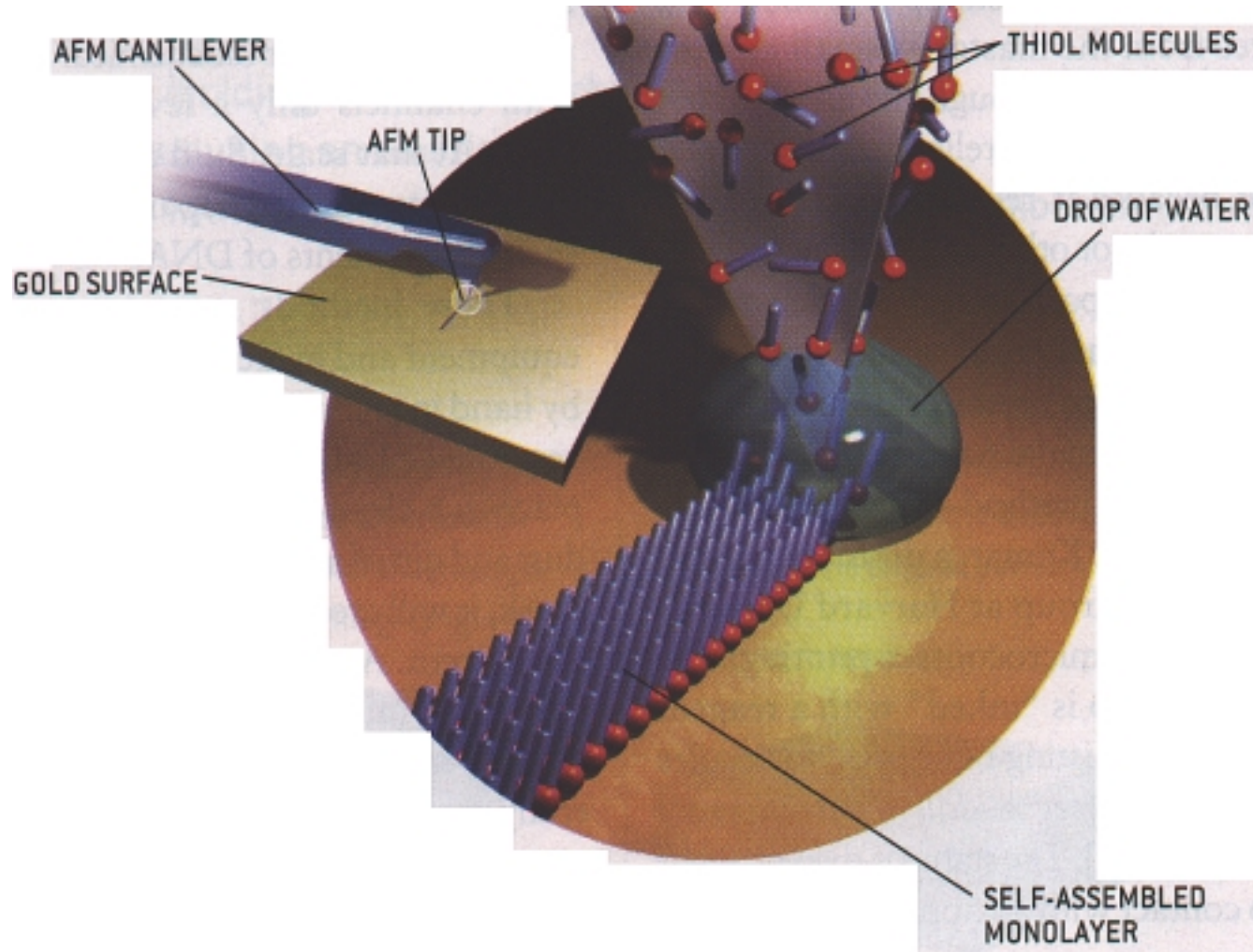
Microarrayer test rig of the NTU-BIOMEMS



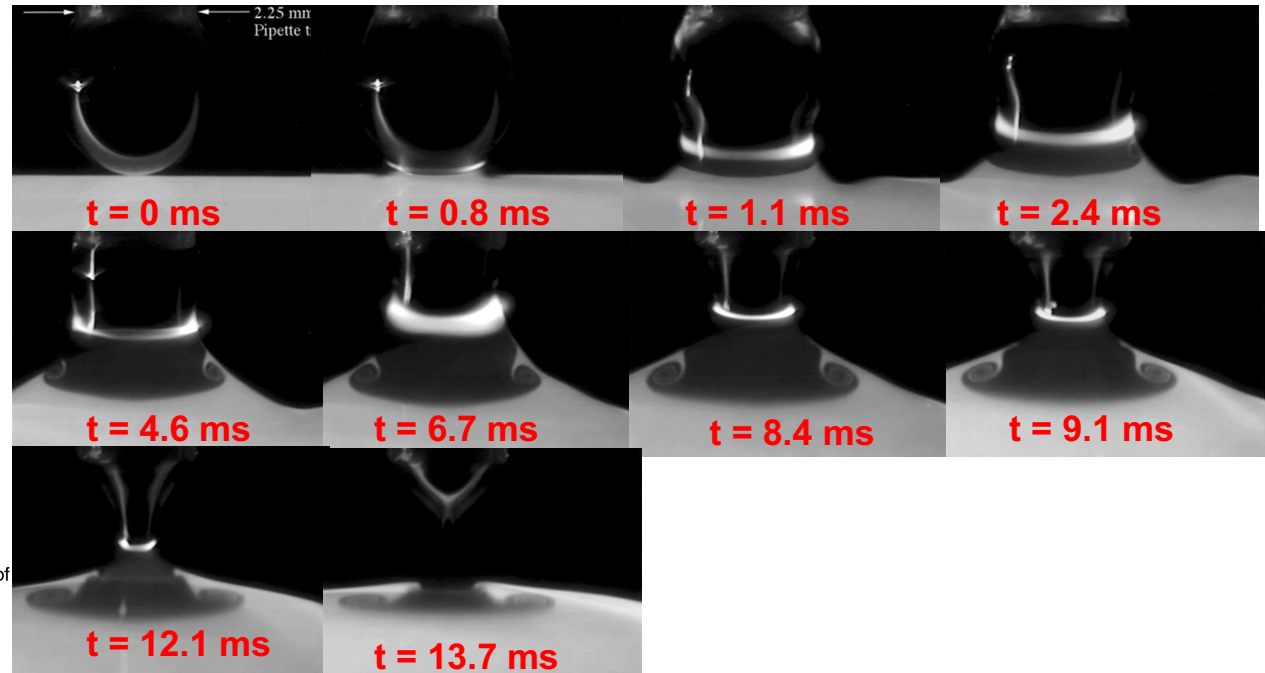
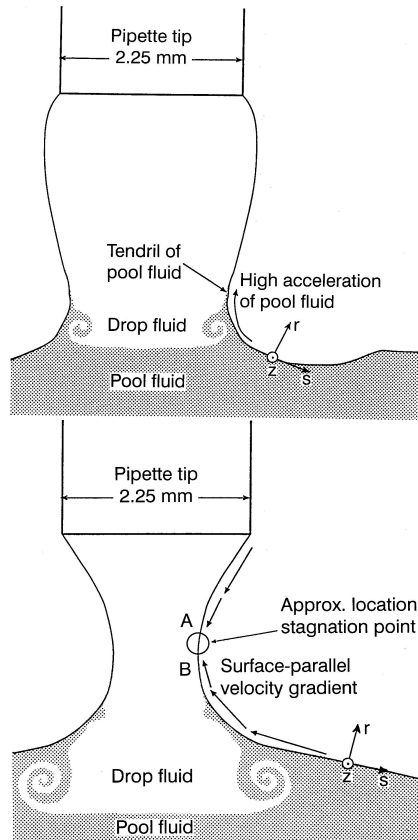
Sampling test for the Plate and Pin



Advanced sample-loading technique



Pin Washing and Sample Carryover (I)



Dooley et al. (1997)

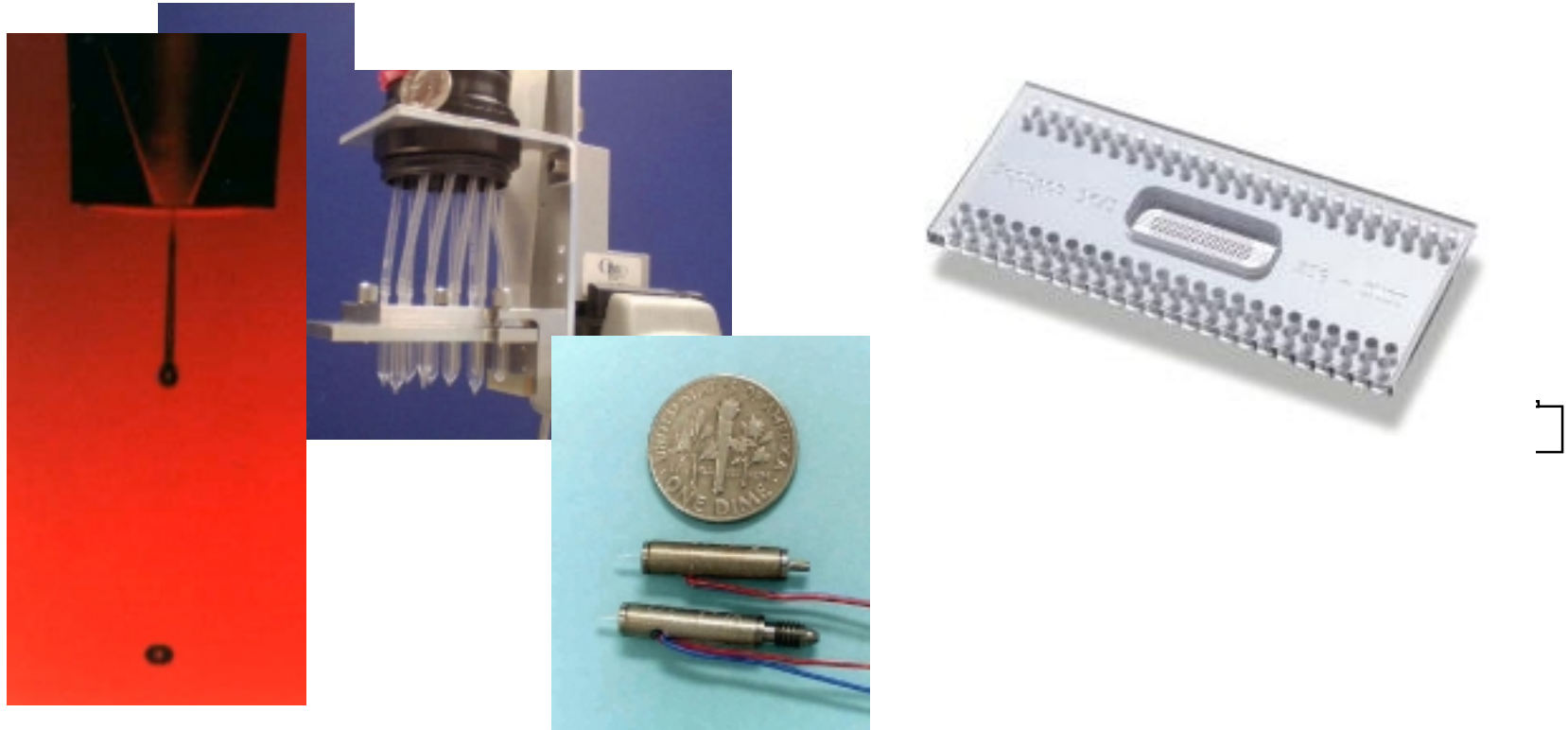
Pin Washing and Sample Carryover (II)

- **Purpose of pin washing:**
prevent sample carryover that complicate the hybridization results
- **Procedure of pin washing:**
dip the pins into distilled clean water, remove the wash water with a vacuum, repeat the two process some times till the sample carryover < 1 part per 10000, drying

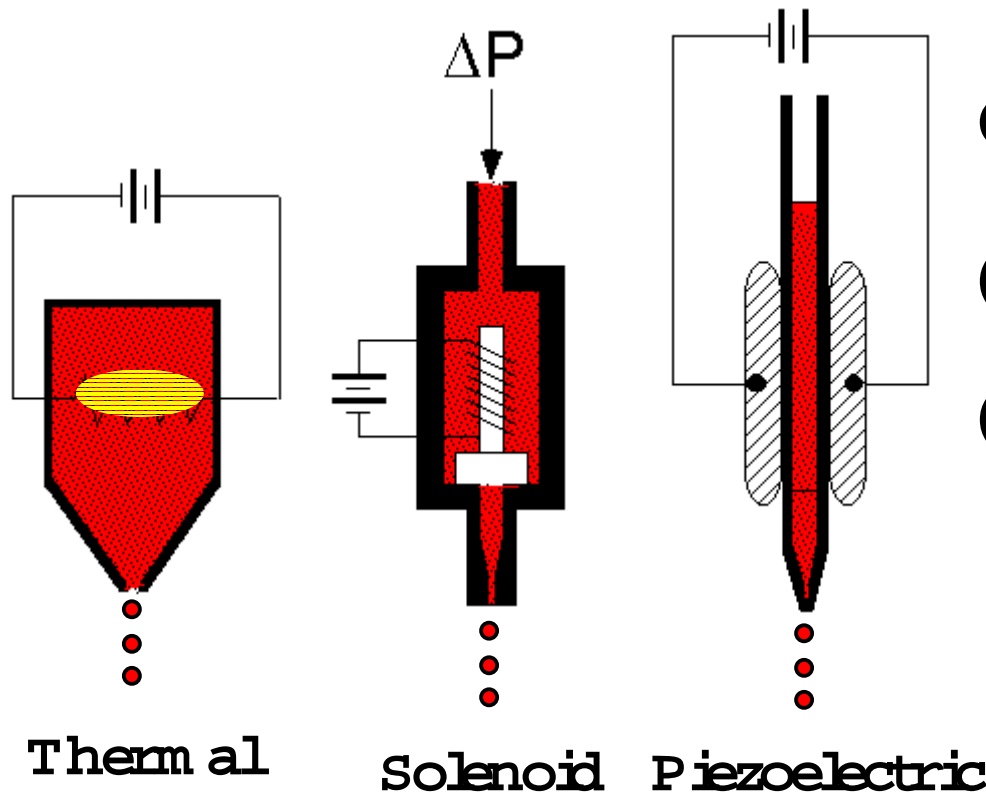


Droplet-Injection Technique

Advantages: No carryover



Types of injection Technology



Operation modes:

(a) Continuous Mode

(b) Drop-on-demand

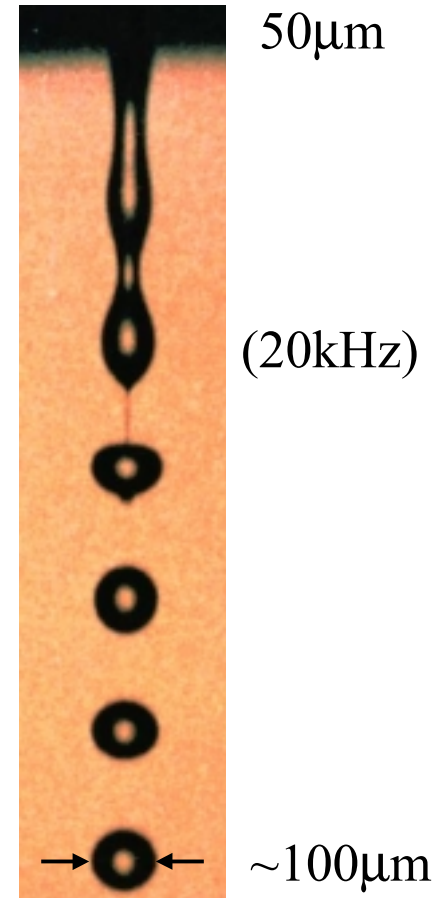
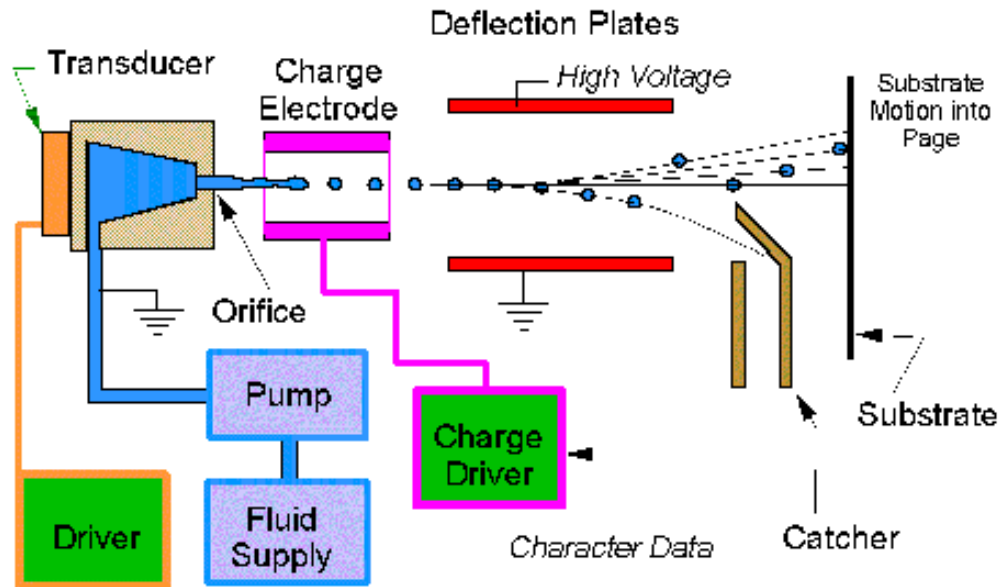
Mode

Inkjet Technology (I)

Continuous Mode:

Drop generation rate: 80k ~ 1MHz

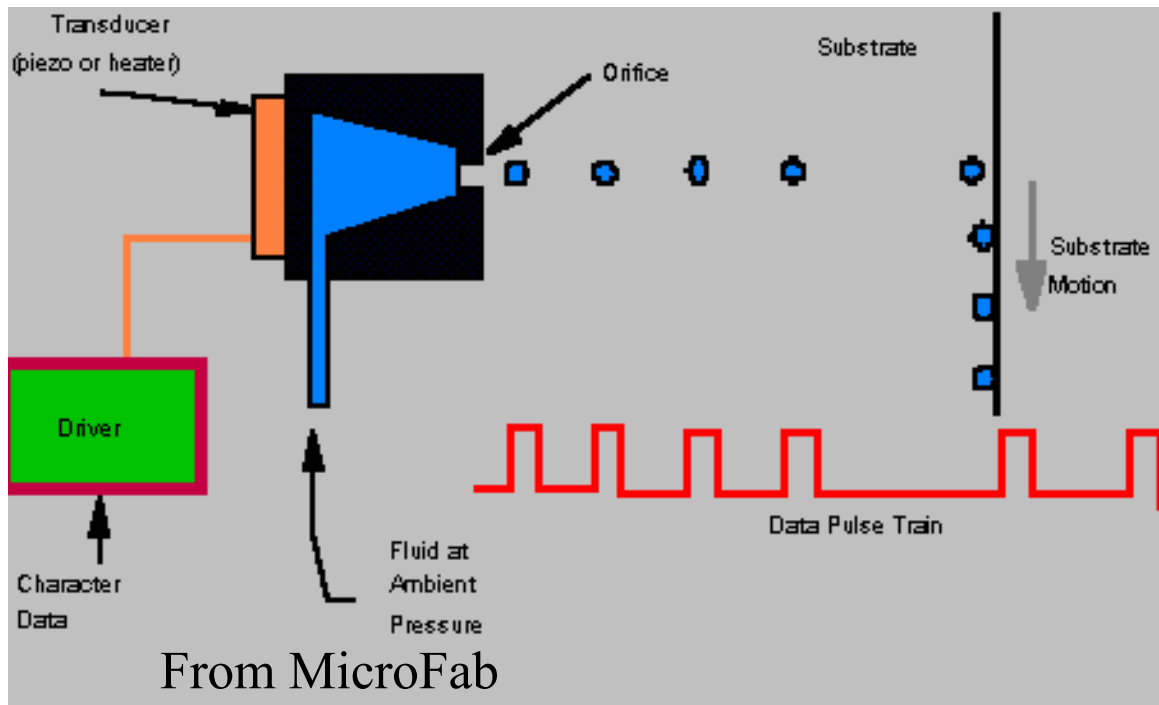
Drop size: 20 μm ~ 1mm (typ. 150 μm)



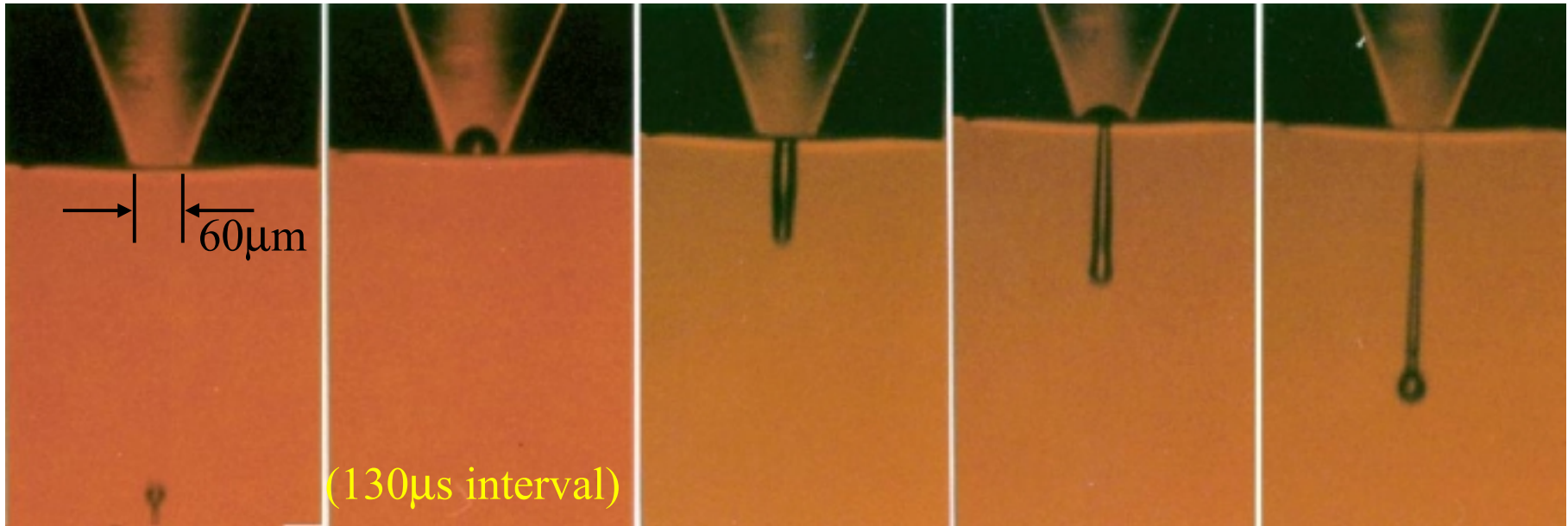
Inkjet Technology (II)

Drop-on-demand Mode:

$\Delta\text{Vol.} \Rightarrow \Delta p \Rightarrow \text{fluid velocity} \Rightarrow \text{drop generation}$
simple, greater energy needed, smaller drop



Inkjet Technology (IIa)

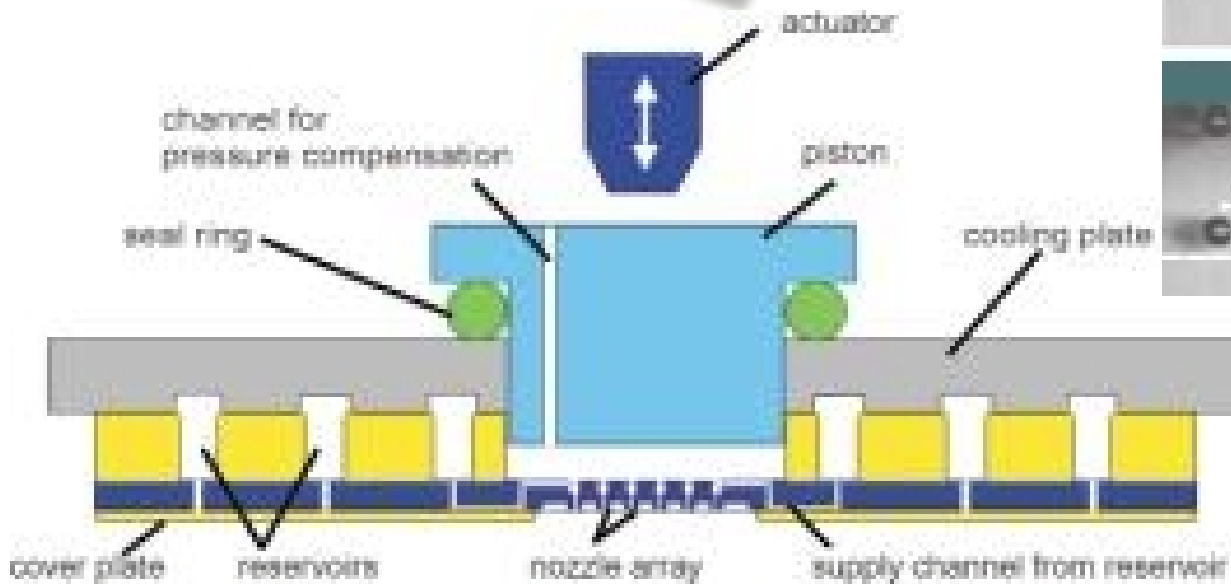
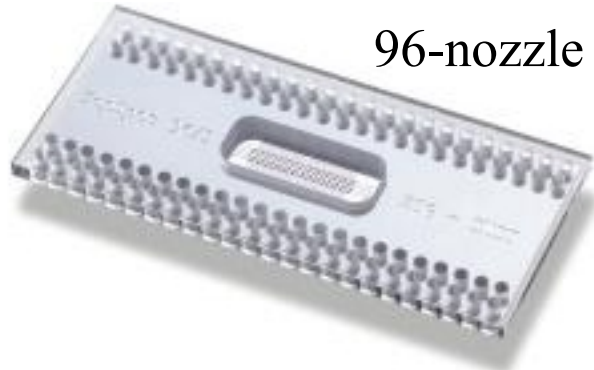


From MicroFab



Inkjet Technology (III)

96-nozzle print head

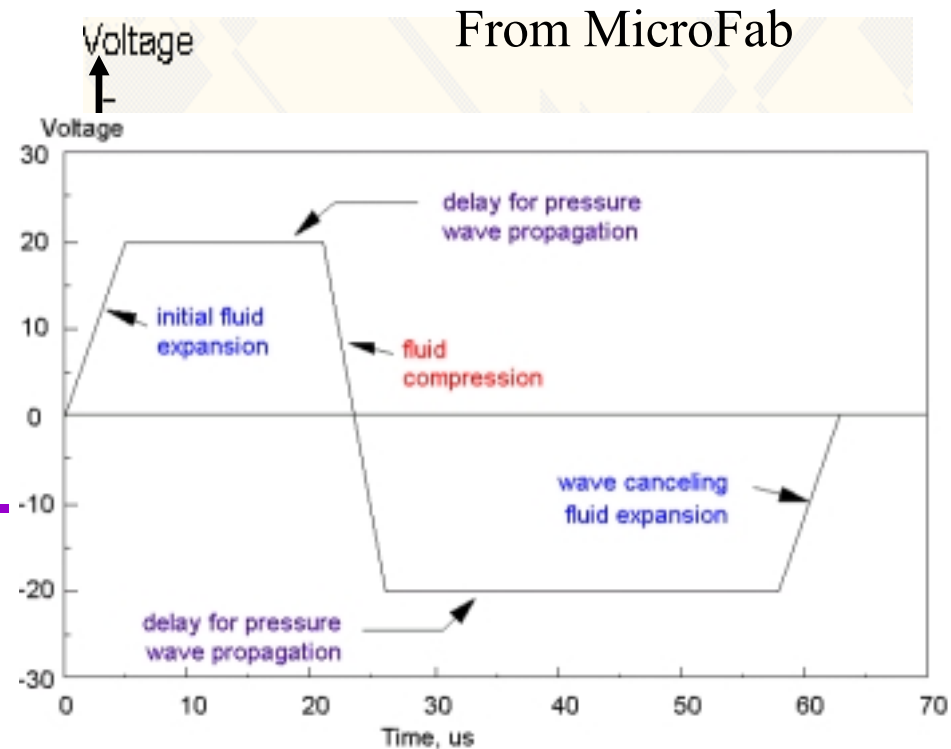


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Inkjet Technology (IV)

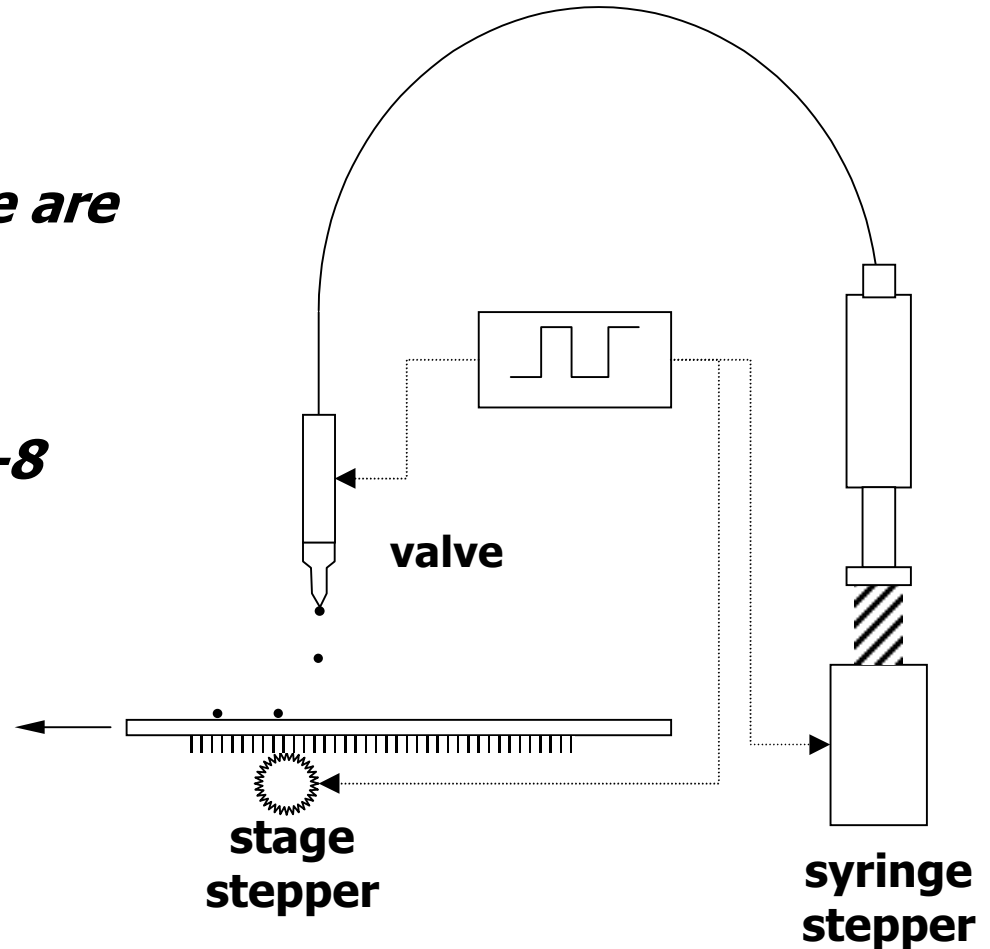
Influence Parameters of injection:

- Orifice diameter (Orifice diameter $\nearrow \Rightarrow$ Drop \nearrow)
- Pulse width effect
- Fluid properties (viscosity, density, surface tension).



High-Speed Printing

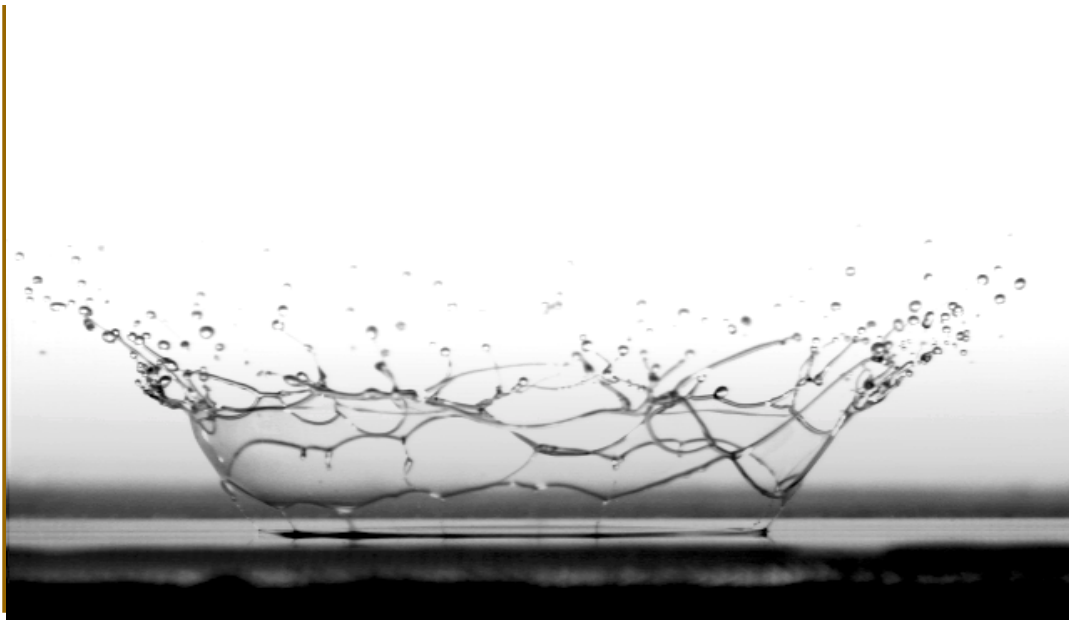
- ***Valve, syringe and stage are synchronized***
- ***"On the fly" printing***
- ***Very high print rates (4-8 slides/s)***



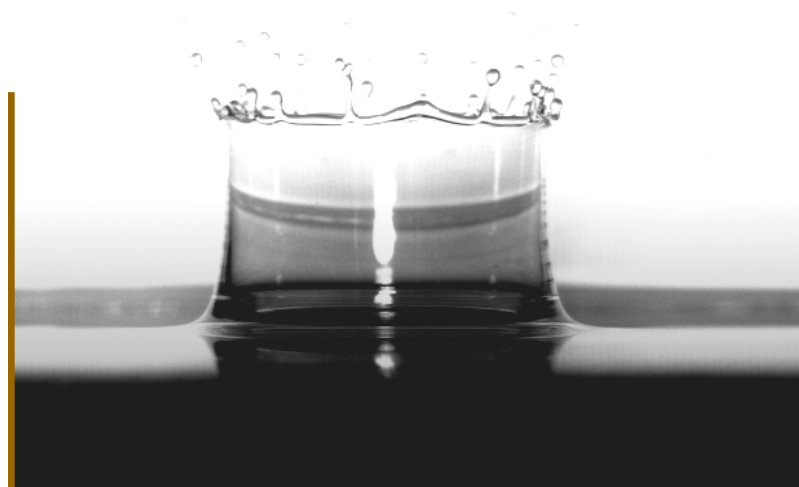
Novel Test-Rig for Drop-film Interactions

世上第一部精密液膜撞擊實驗平臺
首度發現撞擊極薄液膜特殊之特性
Physics of Fluids(2000/09)

Impact onto thin films



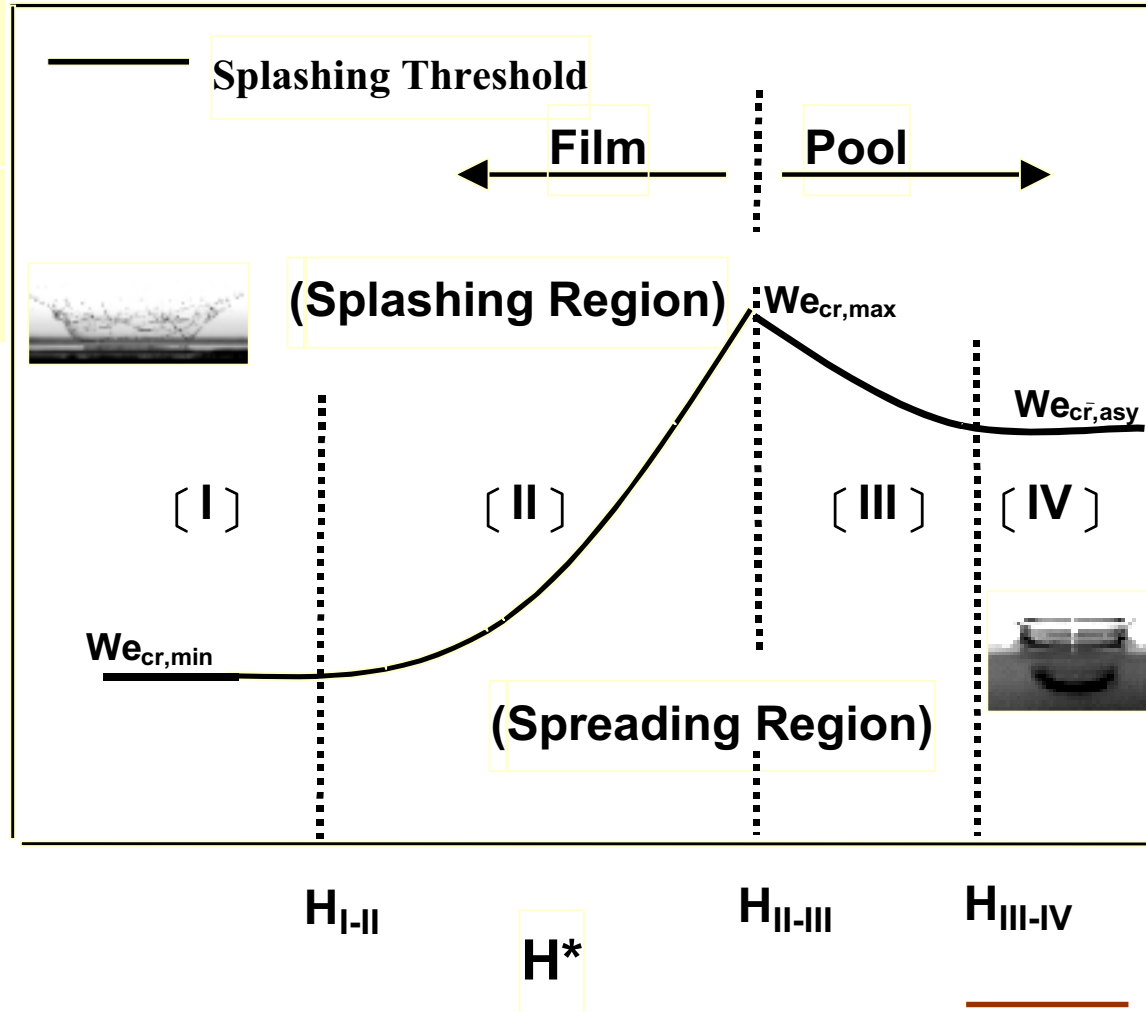
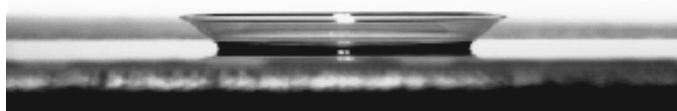
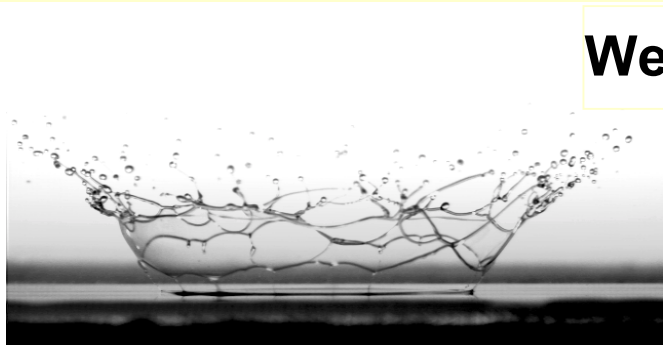
Impact onto thick films



Splashing Threshold of Drop Impact

應用例: 生醫晶片製程,
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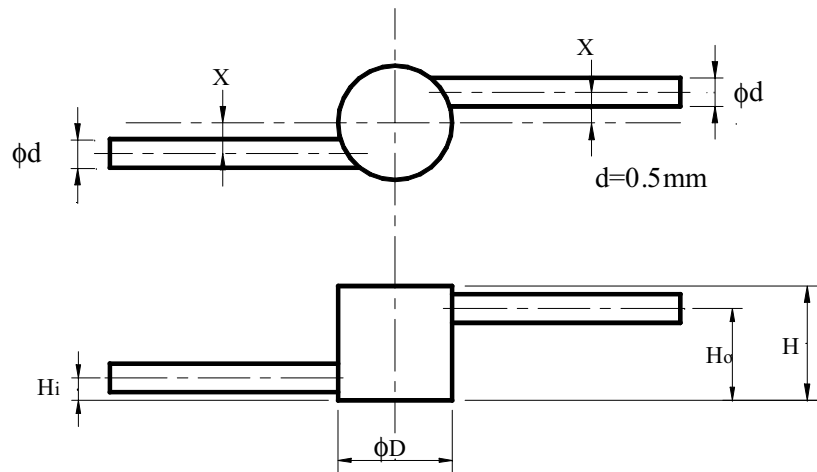
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Design of Bio-fluid system

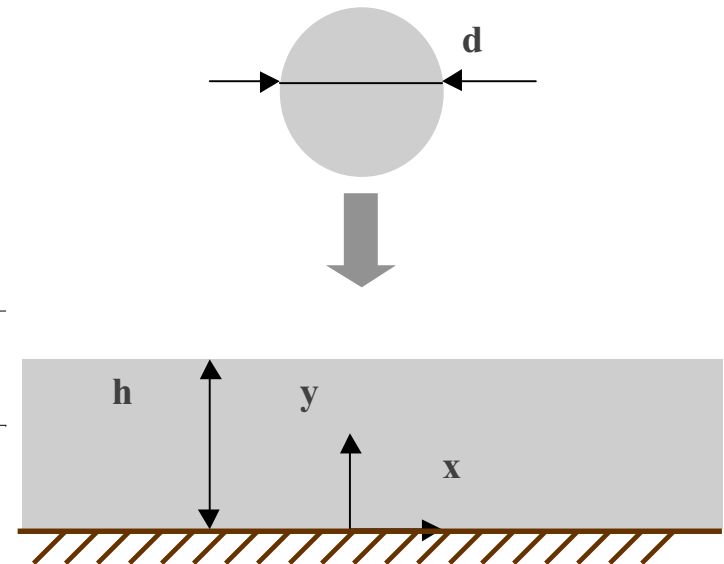
(A) 流道式沖洗法

$$H_i/H = H_o/H = 0.175, \quad e=0$$



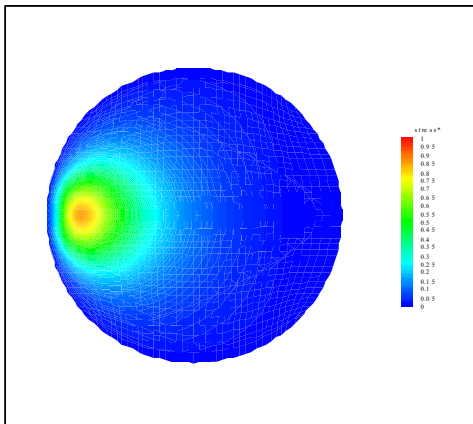
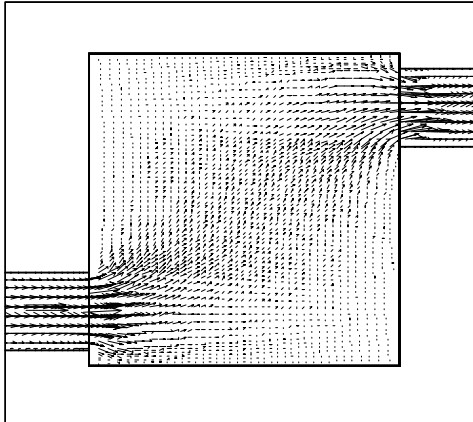
(B) 液滴式沖洗法

$$H^* = h/d, \quad r = x/d$$

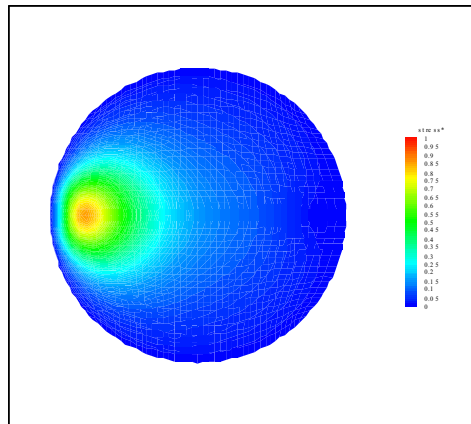
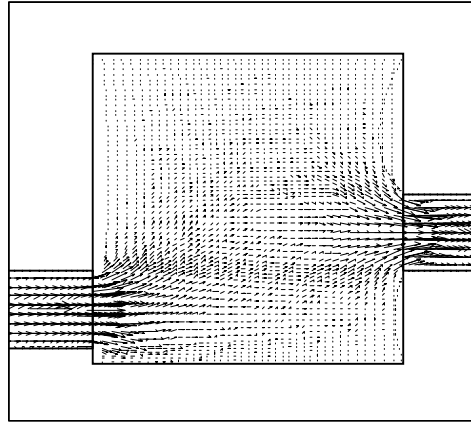


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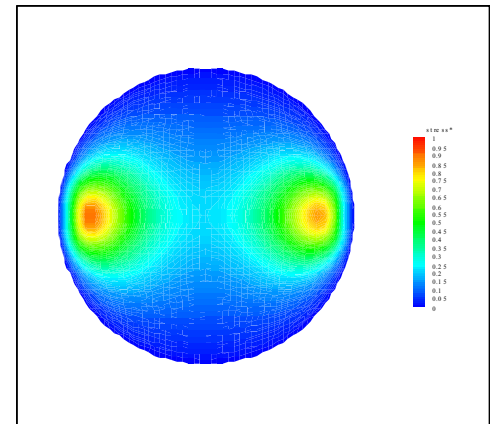
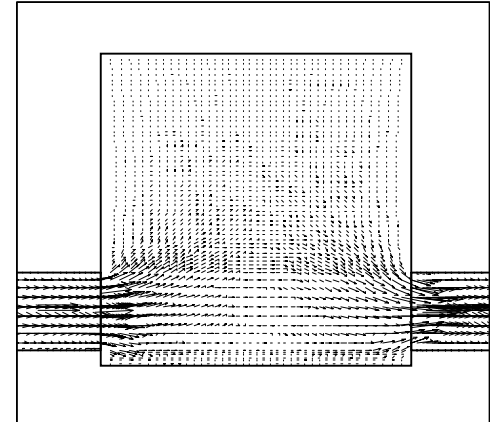
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(case 6)



2. $H_0/H=0.425$
(case 2)

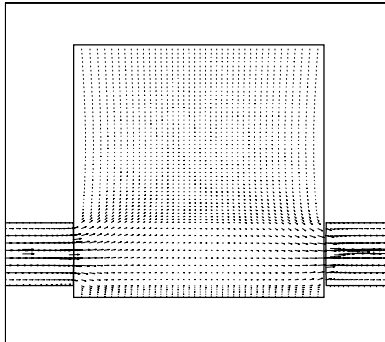


3. $H_0/H=0.175$
(case 3b)

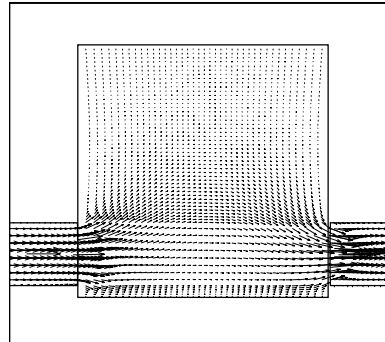


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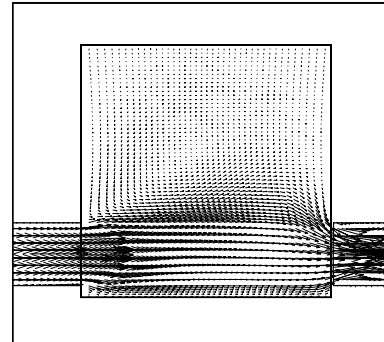
1. $Re=0.622$
(case3a)



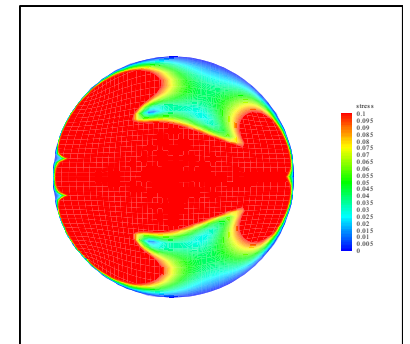
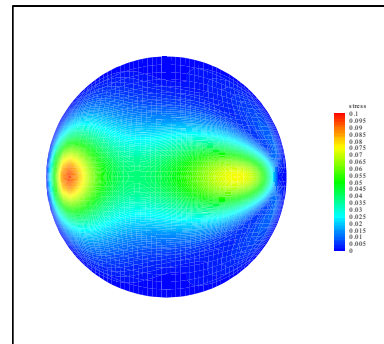
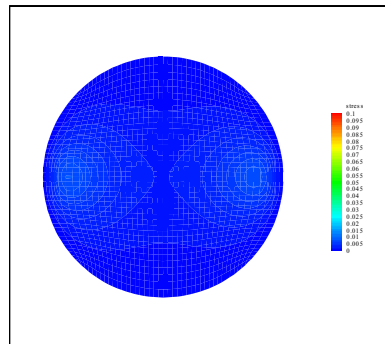
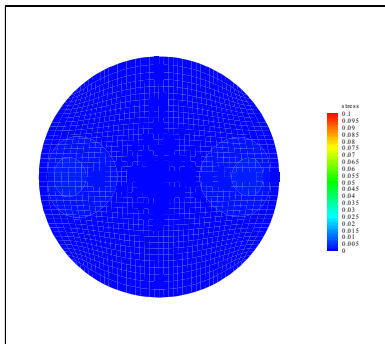
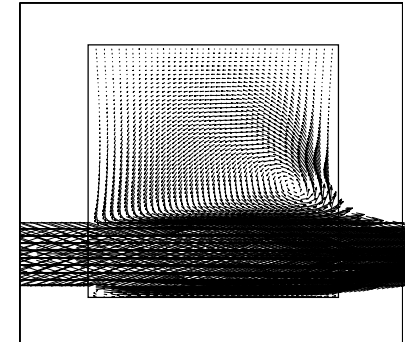
2. $Re=1.870$
(case3b)



3. $Re=18.703$
(case3c)



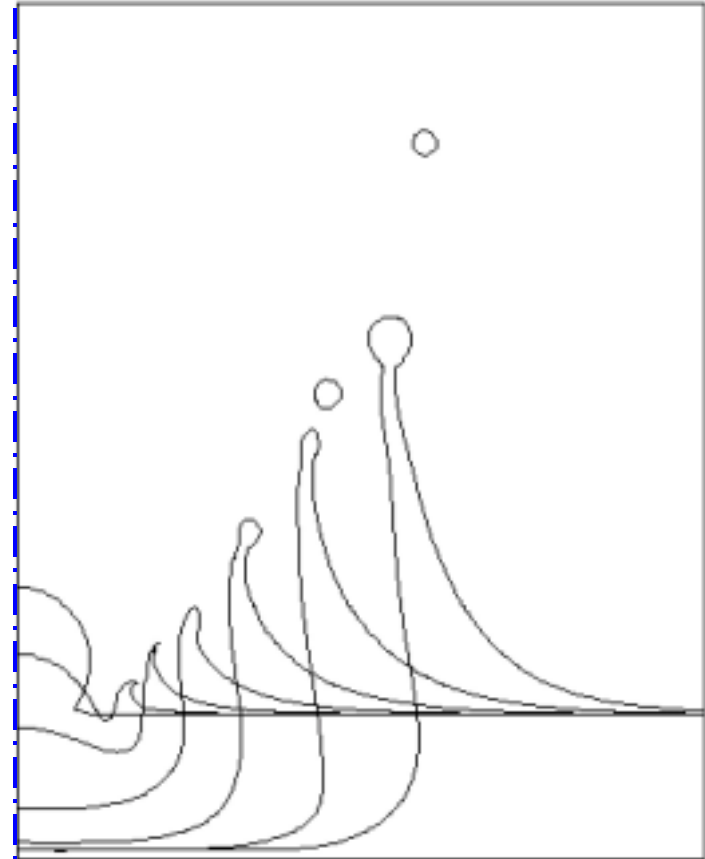
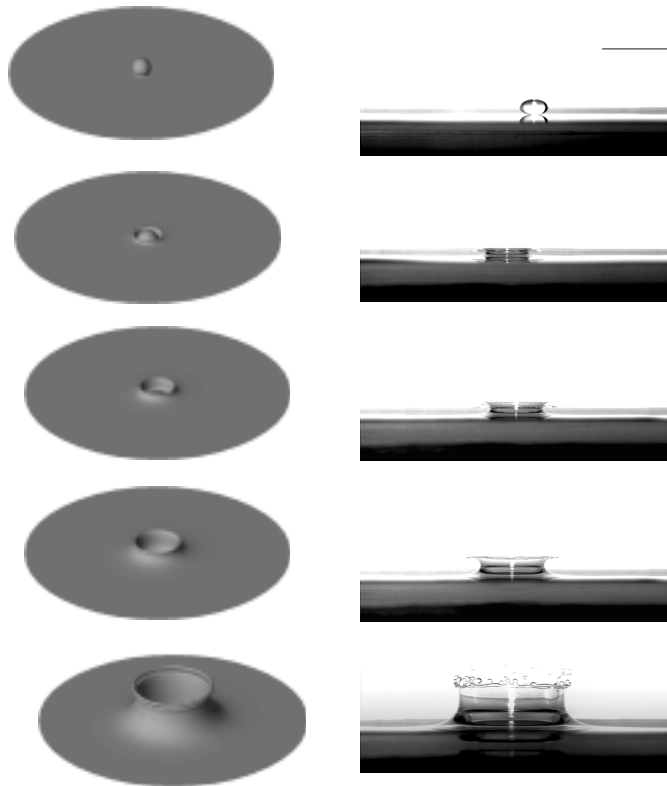
4. $Re=187.032$
(case3d)



*上圖為 $x=0$ 截面流速分佈圖，下圖為槽底剪應力分佈圖。

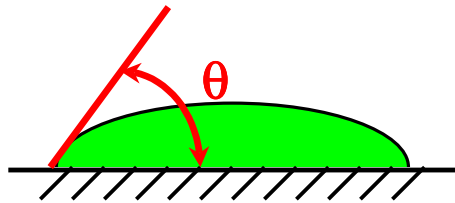
Injection Washing Technique

Simulation & Experiment

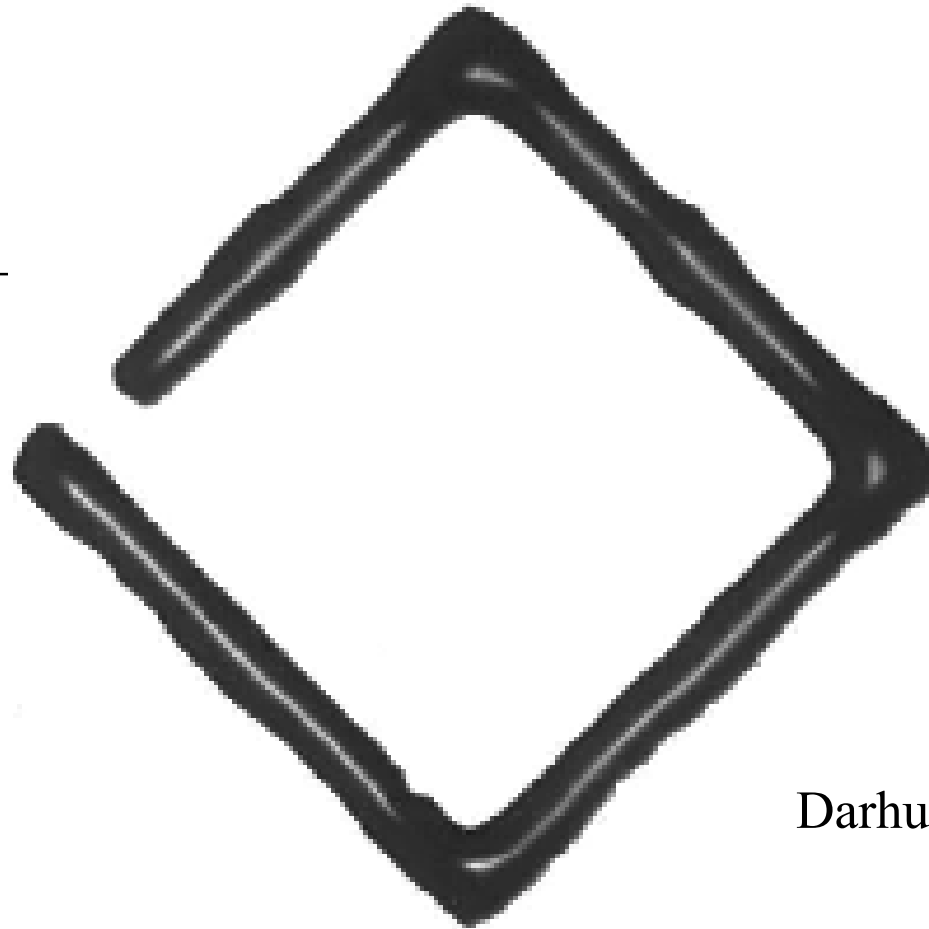
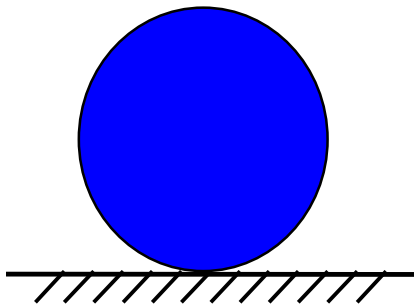


Advancing interface technology

wetting



Non-wetting



Darhuber et al. (2000)

Concluding Remarks

- Microarray is a useful tool for gathering systematic information
- The manufacturing techniques for microarray and microfluid system have showed their significant progress in the last decade and are expected to have further and faster improvement in the near future.

