Data Science Competition

Semiconductor Process Performance Prediction

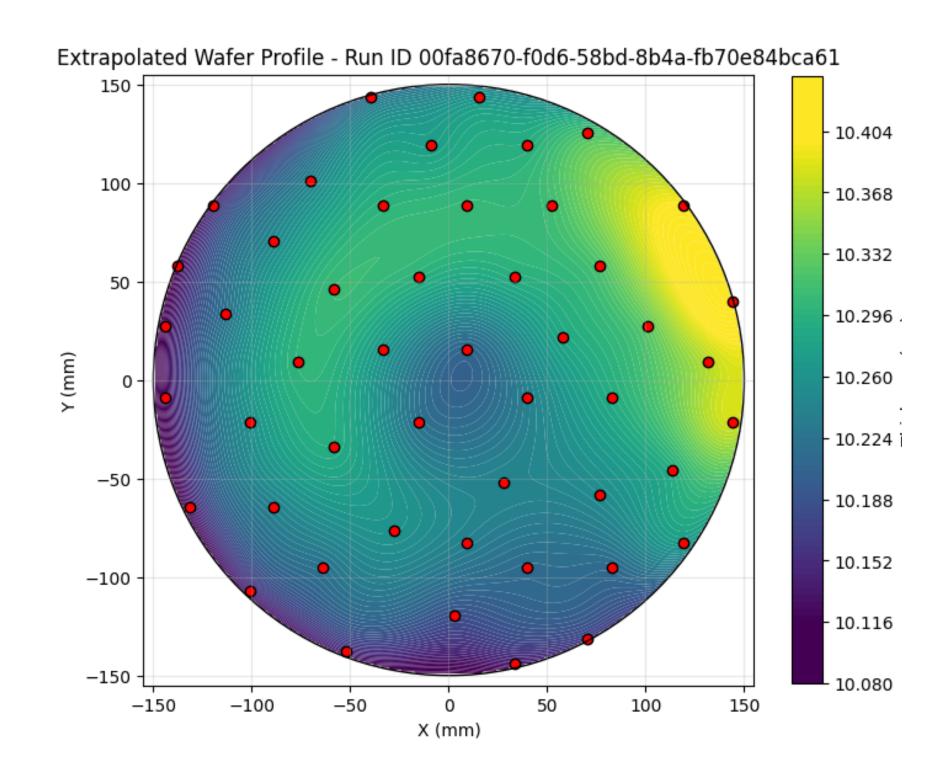




Competition Overview

Objective:

- Predict 49 measurement points on semiconductor wafers.
- Use process data to improve efficiency and product quality.
- Key Focus Areas:
 - Real-world manufacturing data analysis.
 - Machine learning for process optimisation.



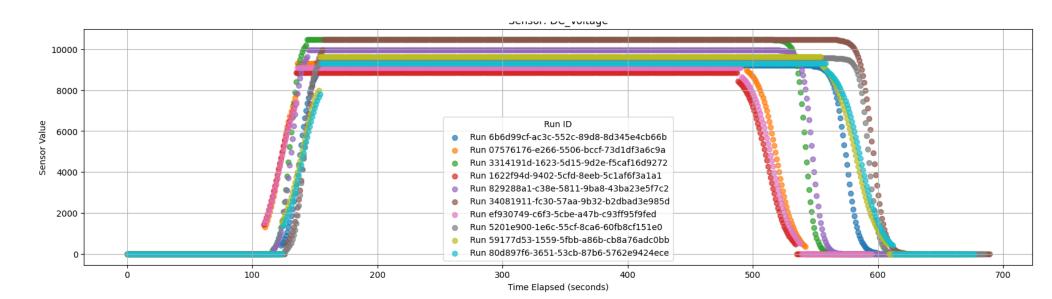
Dataset Structure

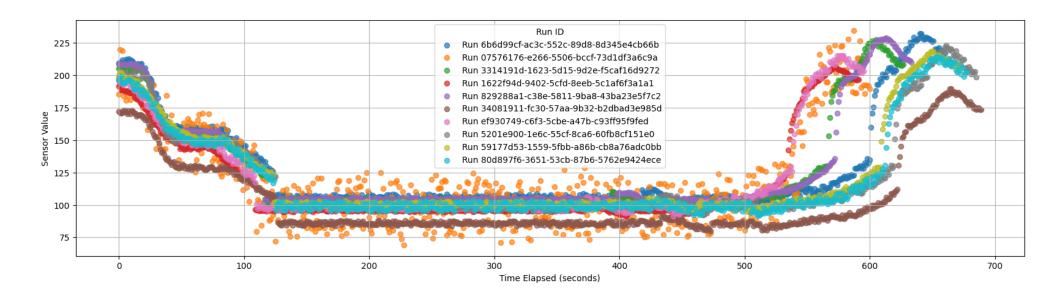
- Three Key Folders:
 - Train Data: Run Data + Incoming Run Data + Metrology Data (ground truth).
 - Test Data: Run Data + Incoming Run Data (no Metrology).
 - Submission: Metrology Data (Measurement column empty).



Run Data - Overview

- Run Data (run_data_{file index}.parquet)
 - Represents: Current process sensor readings collected during the process step.
 - Location: Train & Test folders
 - Total Files: 20
 - Average Shape: (2,239,380 rows, 10 columns)
 - Use Case: Understanding real-time process conditions that impact measurements.



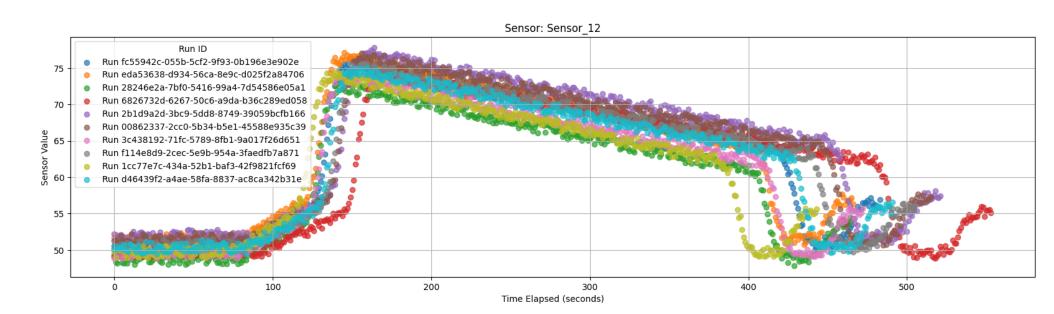


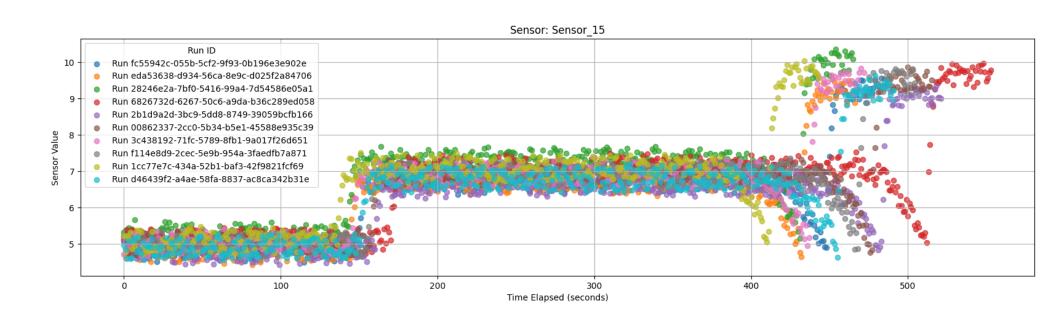
Run Data - Key columns

- Tool ID: Identifies the specific tool used for the process.
- Run Start Time / Run End Time: Timestamps indicating when a particular process run began and ended.
- Run ID: A unique identifier for each process run.
- Process Step: A unique identifier for the specific step within the process.
- Consumable Life: A numerical value representing the remaining or used life of a consumable component.
- Step ID: The identifier for a specific processing step within the run.
- Time Stamp: The exact time a specific sensor measurement was recorded.
- Sensor Name: The name of the sensor collecting the measurement (e.g., "Sensor_a").
- Sensor Value: The numerical reading from the sensor.

Incoming Run Data - Overview

- Incoming Run Data (incoming_run_data_{file index}.parquet)
 - Represents: Sensor readings from incoming process steps before the current process.
 - Location: Train & Test folders
 - Total Files: 20
 - Average Shape: (4,472,116 rows, 9 columns)
 - Similar to Run Data but does not include Consumable Life.
 - Use Case: Provides additional insights into the influence of prior processing steps on the current process.



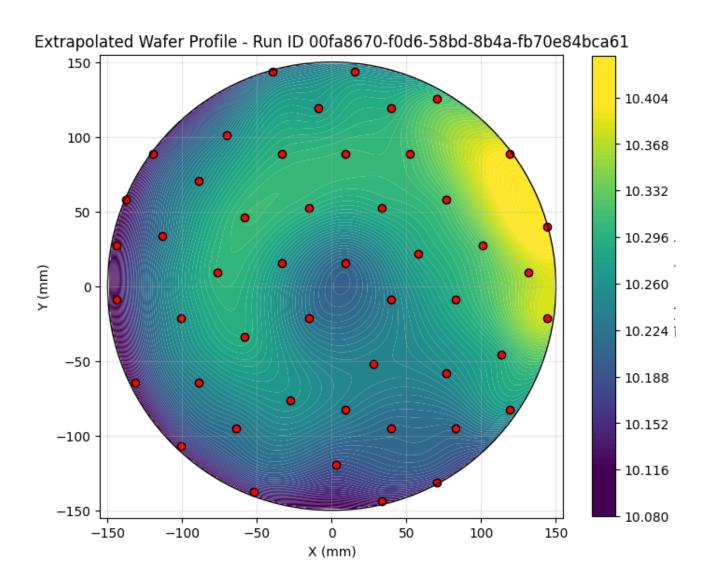


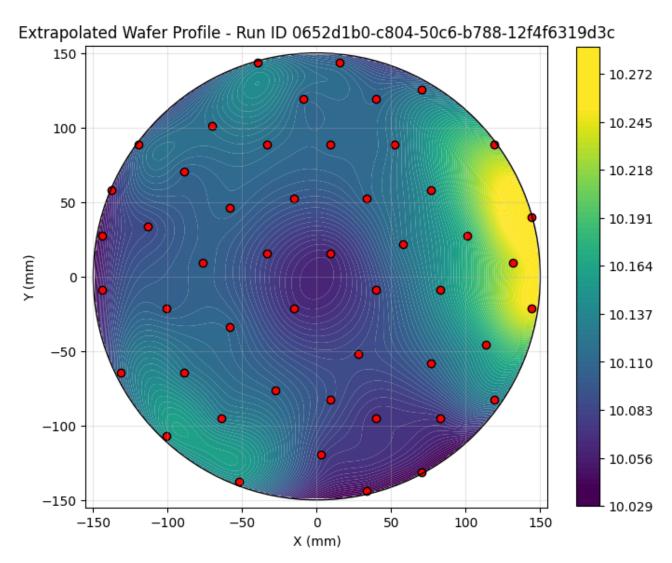
Incoming Run Data - Key columns

- Tool ID: Identifies the specific equipment used for the process.
- Run Start Time / Run End Time: Timestamps marking the beginning and end of a process run.
- Run ID: A unique identifier for each process run.
- Process Step: Identifies the process step within the run.
- Step ID: A specific identifier for a step in the process.
- Time Stamp: The exact time when a sensor measurement was recorded.
- Sensor Name: The name of the sensor collecting the measurement.
- Sensor Value: The numerical reading from the sensor.

Metrology Data - Overview

- Metrology Data (metrology_data{file index}.parquet)
 - Represents: Performance measurement of the process (actual performed profile after processing).
 - Location: Train & Submission folders
 - Total Files: 20
 - Average Shape: (11,025 rows, 9 columns)
 - Use Case: Provides ground truth for training and serves as the target for submission.





Metrology Data - Key columns

- Run ID: A unique identifier for each process run.
- Run Start Time / Run End Time: Timestamps marking the beginning and end of a process run.
- X_index / Y_index: Grid indices representing measurement locations on the wafer.
- X / Y: The actual spatial coordinates of the measurement points.
- Point Index: An identifier for each measurement point.
- Measurement: The measured process performance at the specified location.

Competition Goal

Your Challenge: Predict Process Resultant Profile for All 49 Points

- Use Train data to build a model that predicts the full performance profile at all 49 measurement locations.
- Apply the trained model to Test data to generate predictions.
- Fill the predicted values into the Submission folder's Metrology Data, where the Measurement column is empty.
- Improve semiconductor manufacturing efficiency and yield.

Evaluation & Submission

- Model Performance Metrics:
 - 1. Point-wise Average RMSE (Root Mean Square Error)
 - 2. Additional Metrics: MAE, R-squared, etc.
- Submission Format:
 - 1. The Submission folder's Metrology Data must be filled with predicted Measurement values.
 - 2. Submit the updated Metrology Data file.
- Final Ranking: Based on prediction accuracy and robustness.

Get Started!

Ready to Compete?

- Download the dataset.
- Train your model using the Train folder.
- Generate predictions using the Test folder.
- Fill in the missing measurement values in the Submission folder.
- Stay tuned for updates and discussions.

