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Summary: ASML Holding NV and Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. have ways to disable the world's most sophisticated chipmaking machines in the event that China invades Taiwan, according to people familiar with the matter. The remote shut-off applies to Netherlands-based ASML's line of extreme ultraviolet machines, known within the industry as EUVs, for which TSMC is its single biggest client. TSMC Chairman Mark Liu hinted in a September interview with CNN that any invader of Taiwan would find his company's chipmaking machines out of order. "Nobody can control TSMC by force," Liu said. "If there is a military invasion you will render TSMC factory non-operable."

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