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# Ingredients of Kung Pao Chicken

## Marinade

- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 2 teaspoons Chinese rice wine or dry sherry
- 1 1/2 teaspoons cornstarch
- 1 pound boneless, skinless, chicken breasts or thighs, cut into 1-inch cubes

## Sauce

- 1 tablespoon Chinese black vinegar, or substitute good-quality balsamic vinegar
- 1 teaspoon soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon hoisin sauce
- 1 teaspoon sesame oil
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon ground Sichuan pepper
- 2 tablespoons peanut or vegetable oil
- 8 to 10 dried red chilies
- 3 scallions, white and green parts separated, thinly sliced
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 teaspoon minced or grated fresh ginger
- 1/4 cup unsalted dry-roasted peanuts



Courtesy of Diana Kuan

# The Cooking Procedure

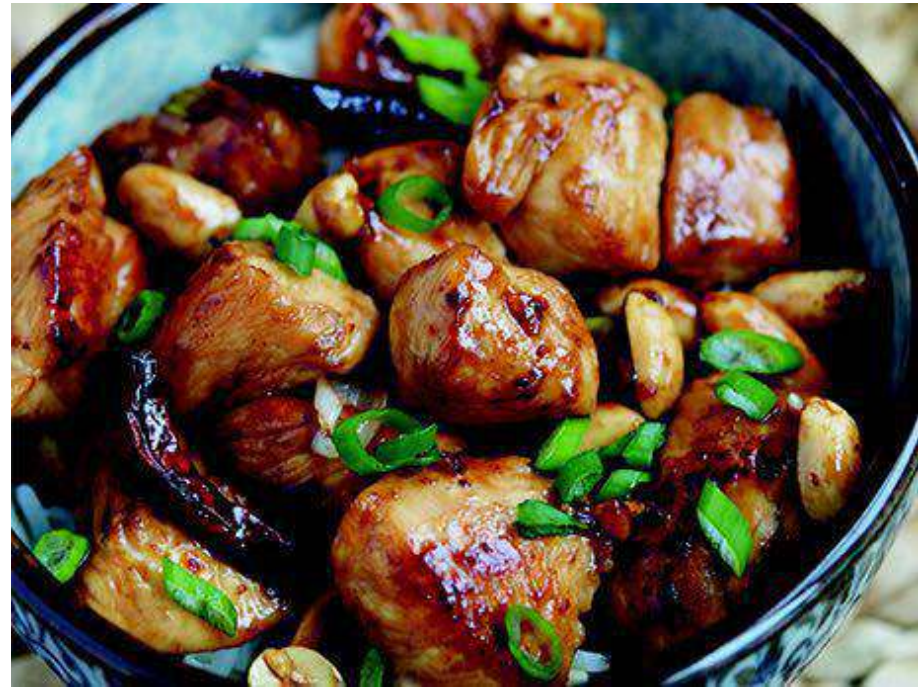
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# The Difference of Controls

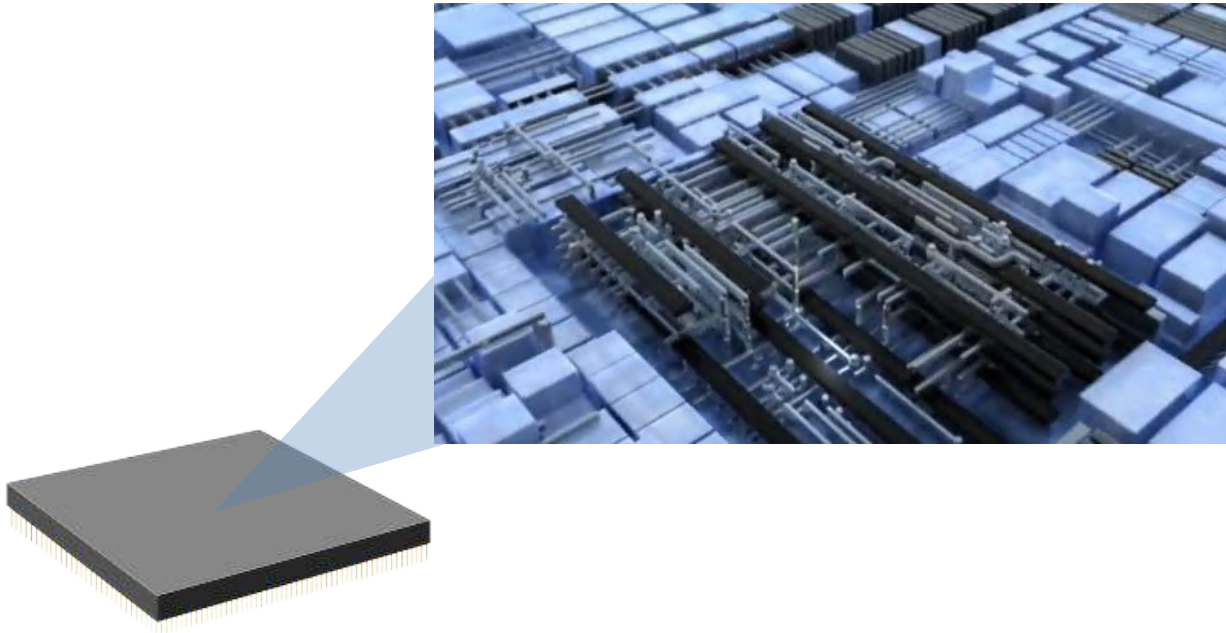
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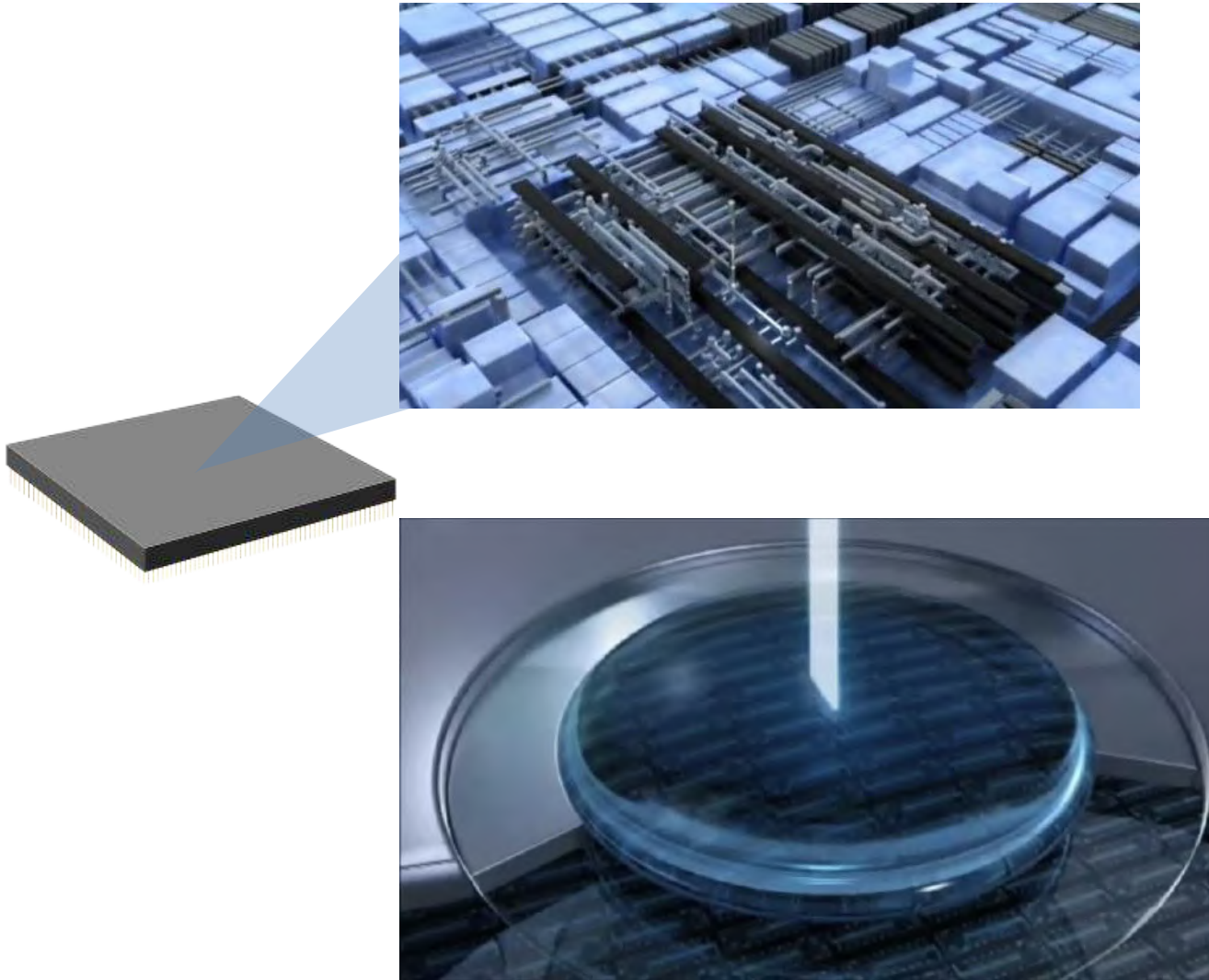
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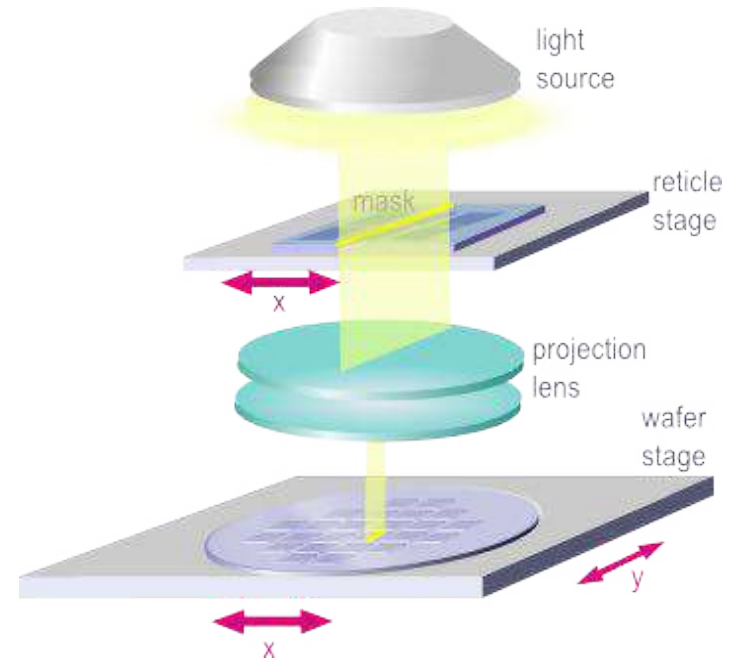




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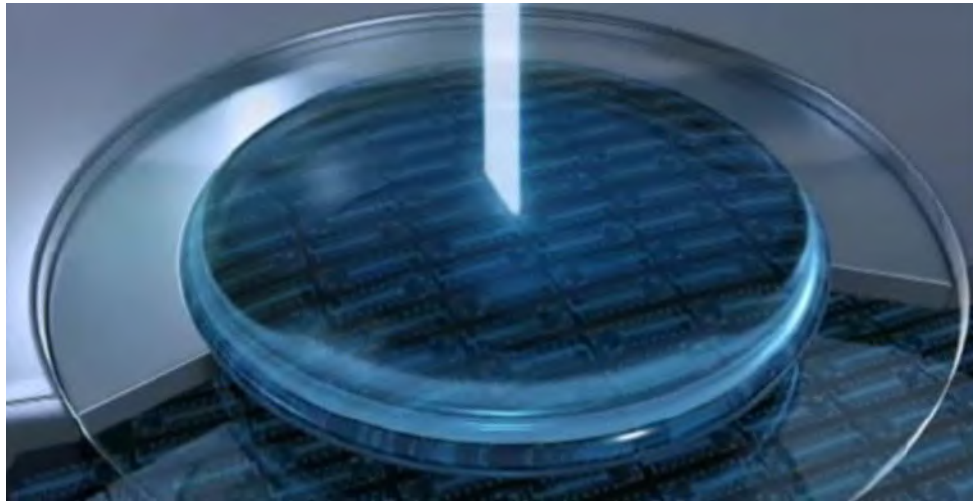


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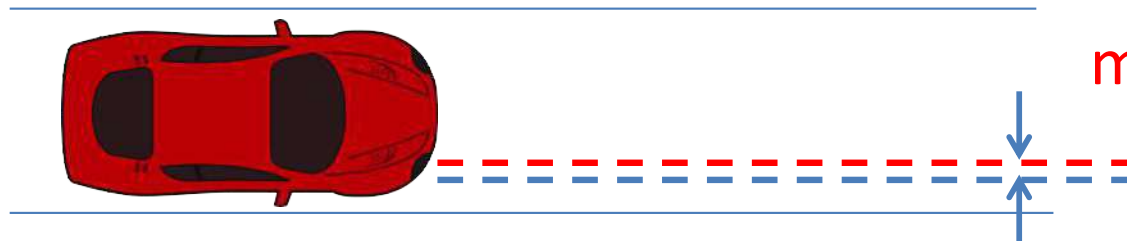
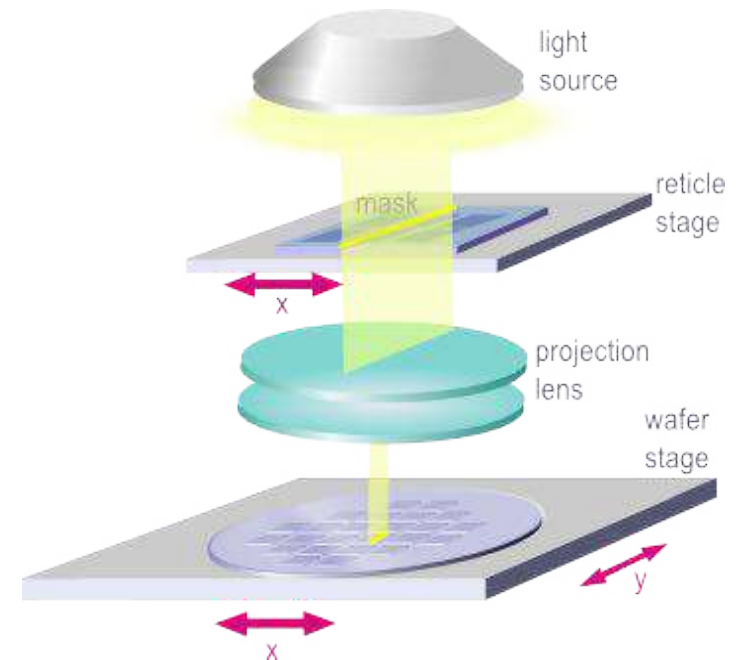




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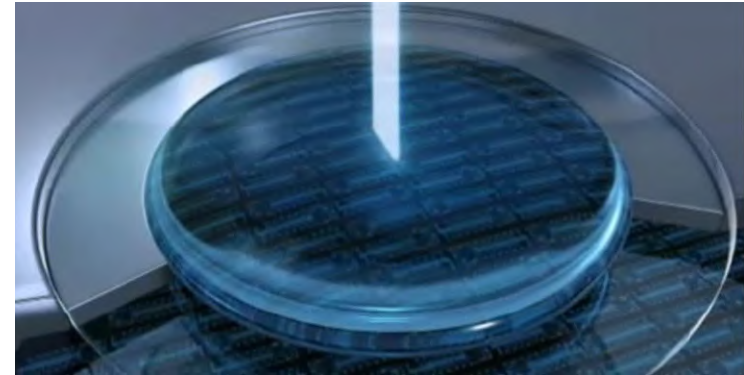
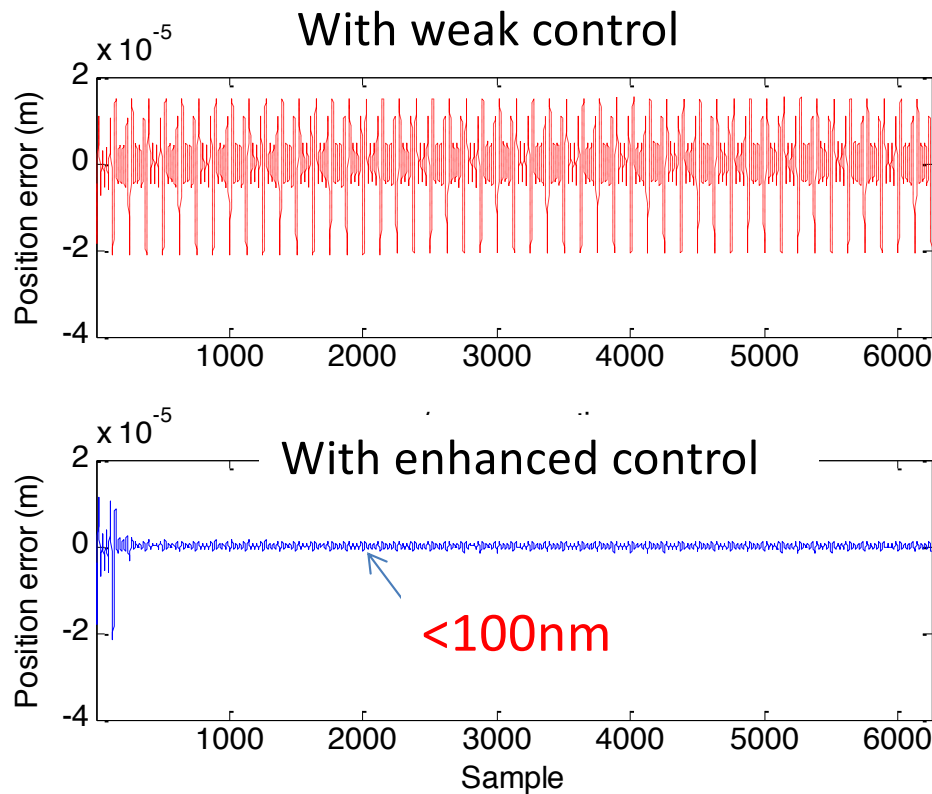


mm-scale error tolerance

Hartford airport

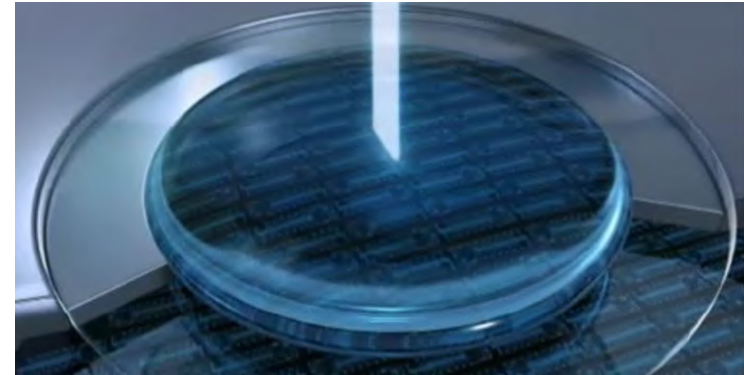
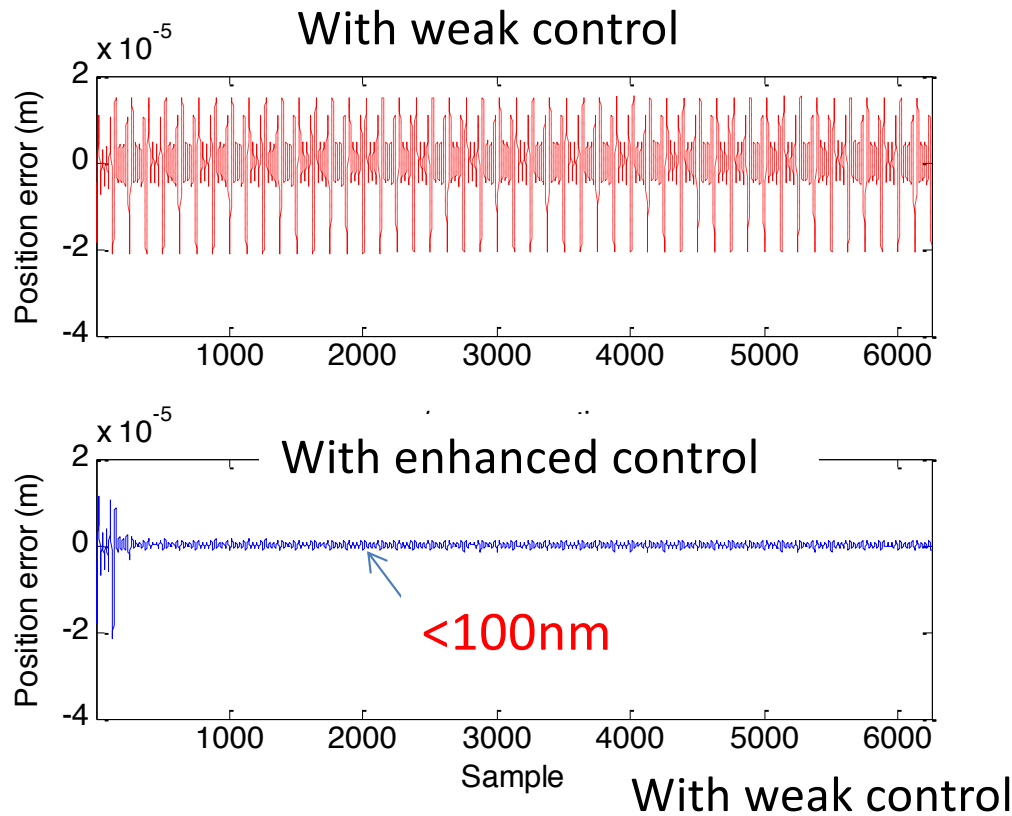
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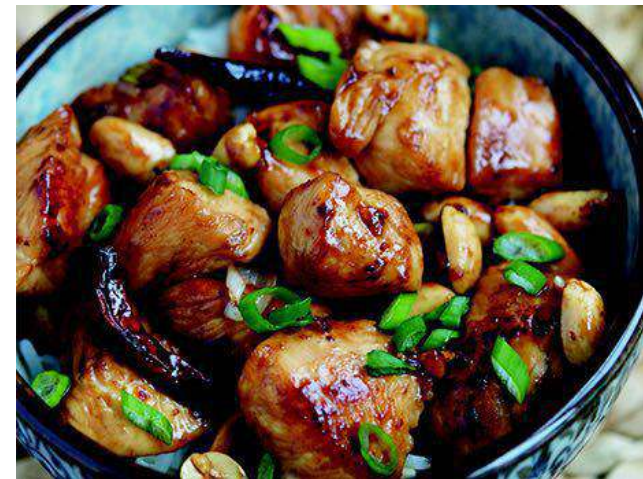


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# The Role of Automation and Controls



With good control



# Control Engineering

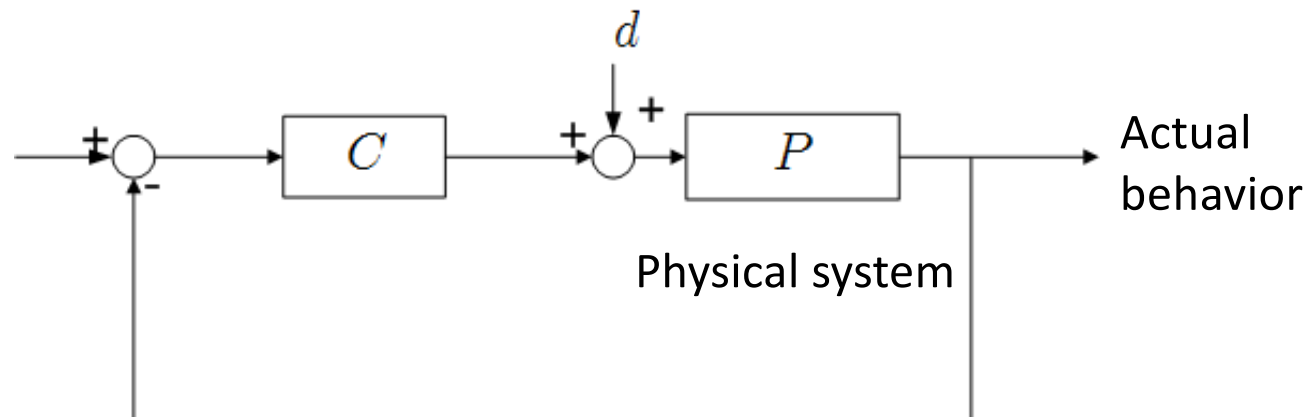
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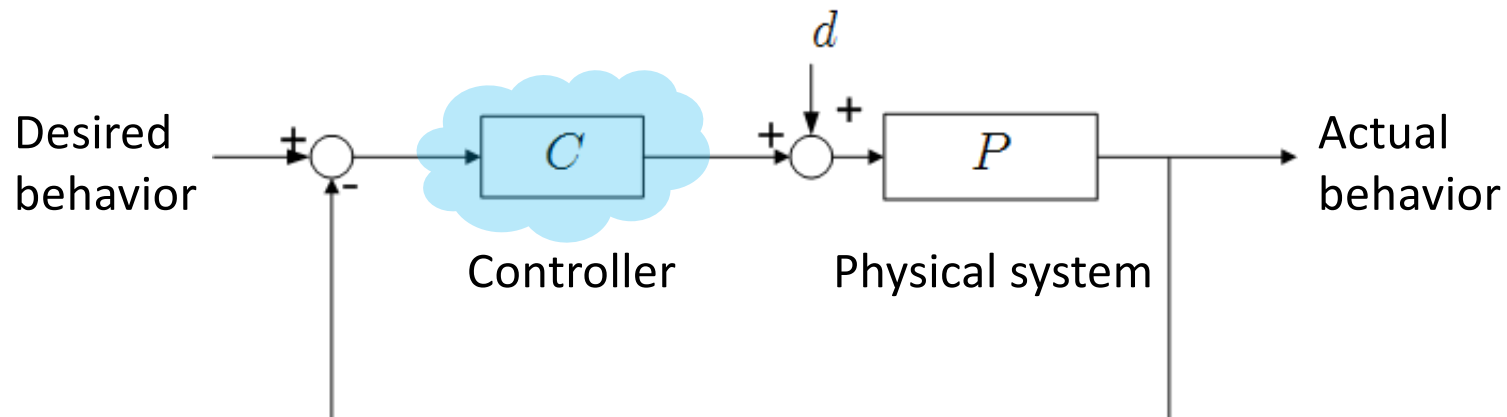
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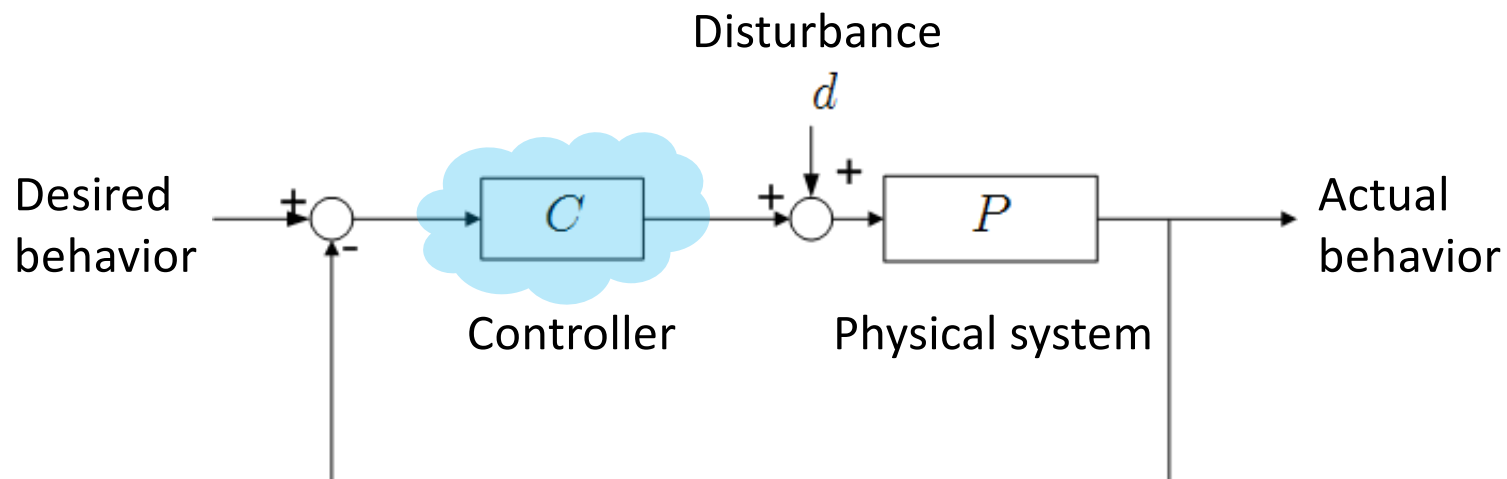
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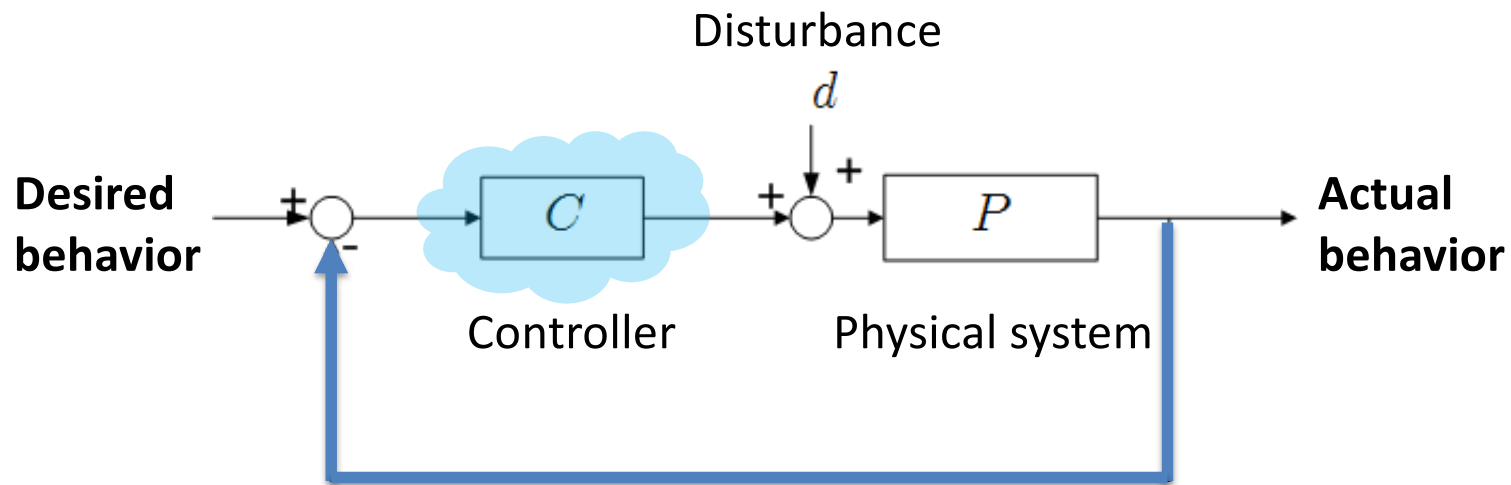
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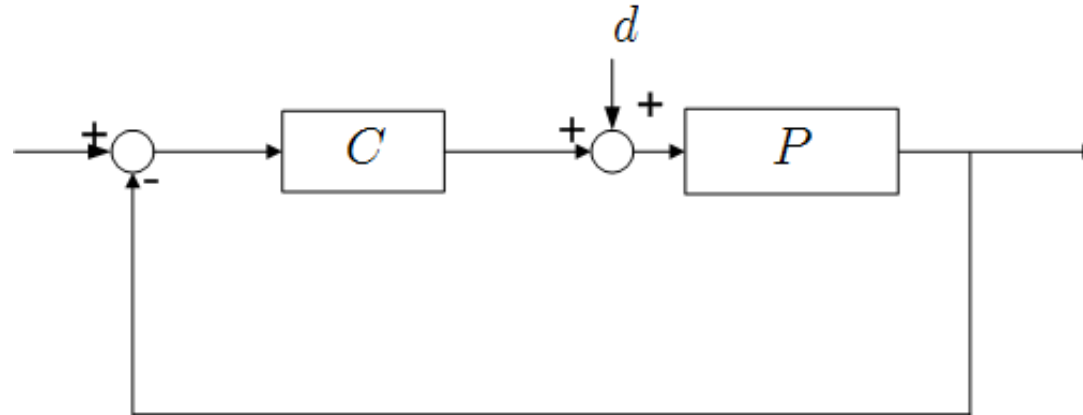
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# Why Automatic Control?



- **Stability/Safety**

- Difficult/impossible for humans to control the process or would expose humans to risk

- **Performance**

- Cannot be done “as well” by humans

- **Cost**

- Humans are more expensive and bored

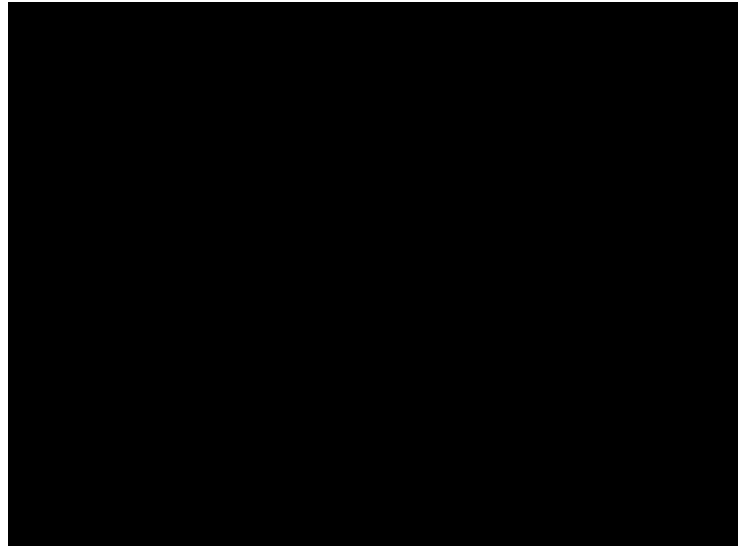
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Sub-10nm  
position-error  
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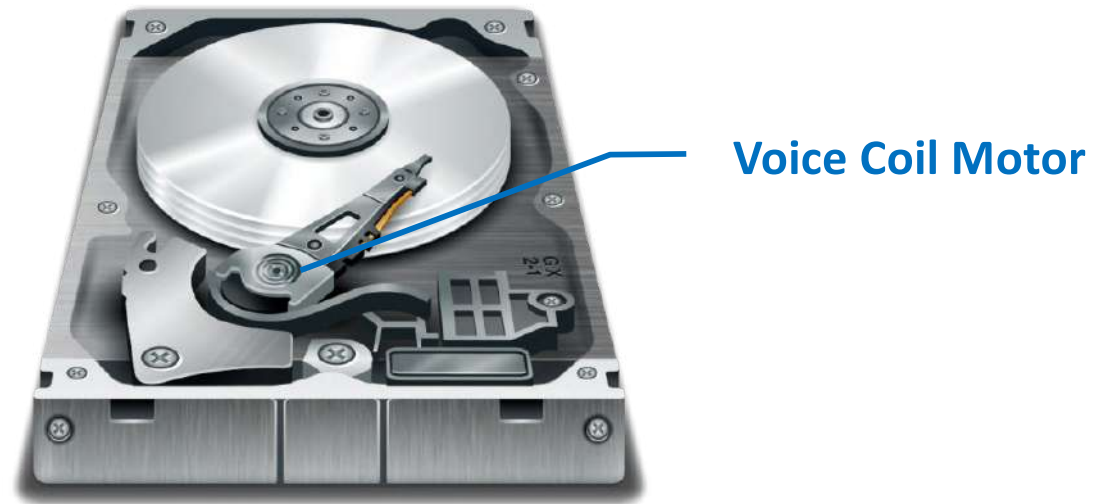
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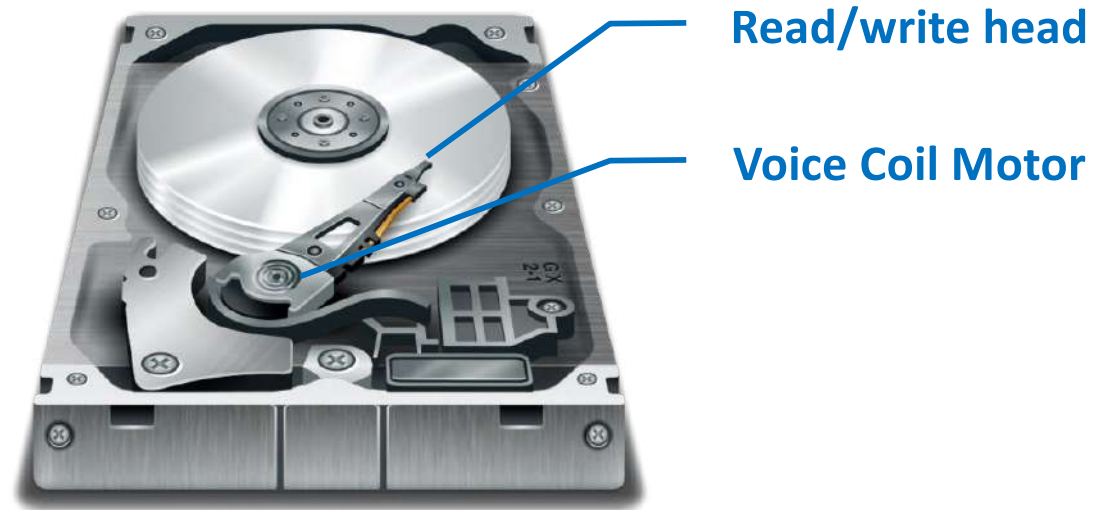
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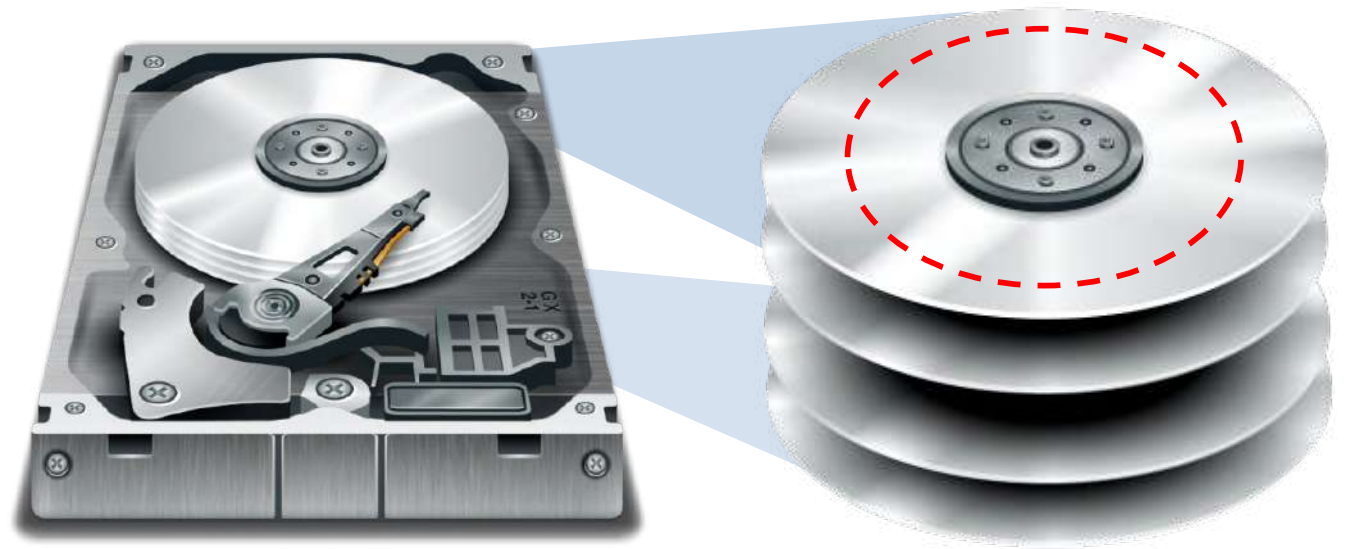
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**>900,000 tracks per inch (in a 2012 HDD)**

**~ ten thousand tracks on a human hair!**

# Importance of Control Systems in HDD



Shouting in the Datacenter

1,518,607 views



7K



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**Bryan Cantrill**

Published on Dec 31, 2008

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Brendan Gregg from Sun's Fishworks team makes an interesting discovery about inducing disk latency. For more details, see Brendan's blog entry:

<http://blogs.sun.com/brendan/entry/un...>



# Importance of Control Systems in HDD

## A Loud Sound Just Shut Down a Bank's Data Center for 10 Hours

Dozens of hard drives were knocked down during a fire drill that involved inert gas deployment.

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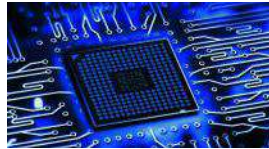


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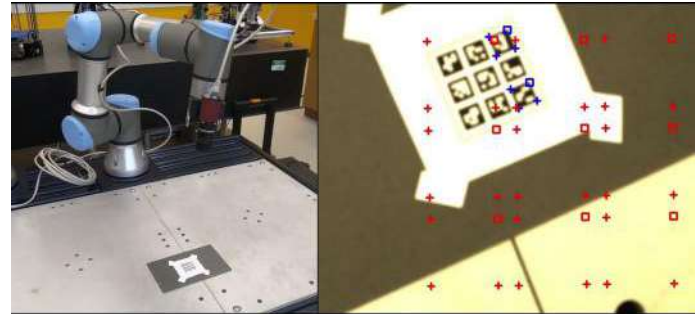
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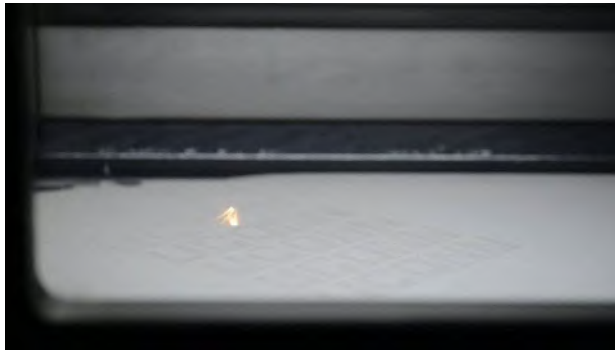
Semiconductor  
manufacturing



Information storage



Manufacturing  
inspection & automation



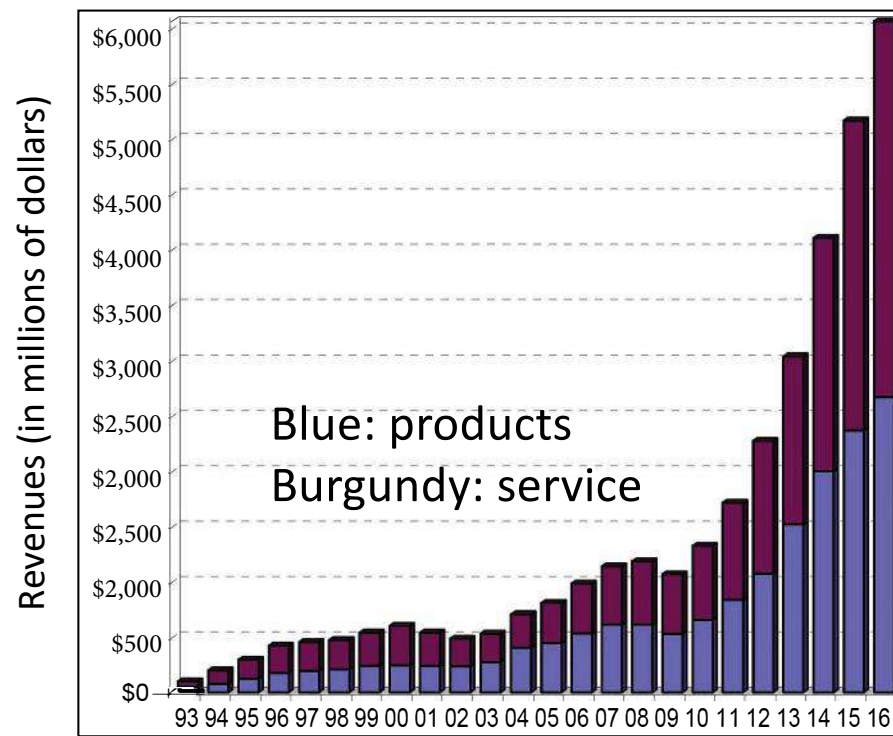
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Additive manufacturing (3D printing)

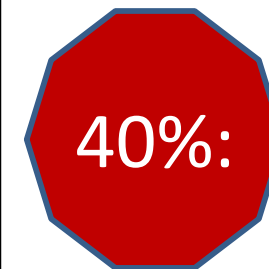
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# Examples of Control Systems: 3D Printing

- Additive manufacturing (AM) / 3D Printing
  - Annual market recently topped \$6 billion
  - Increased nearly 6-fold over the past 7 years



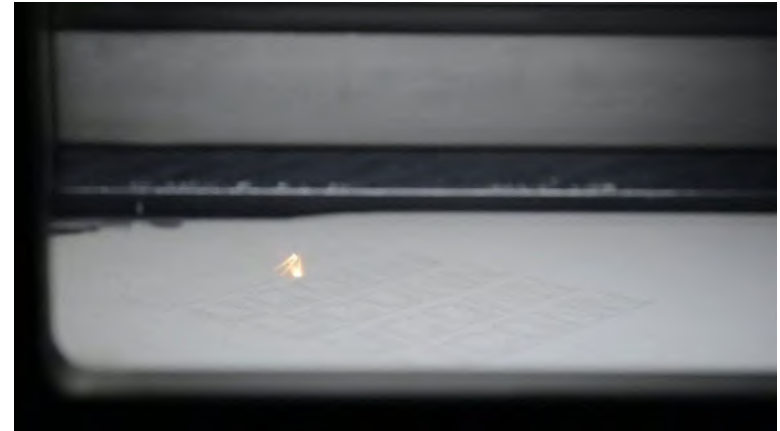
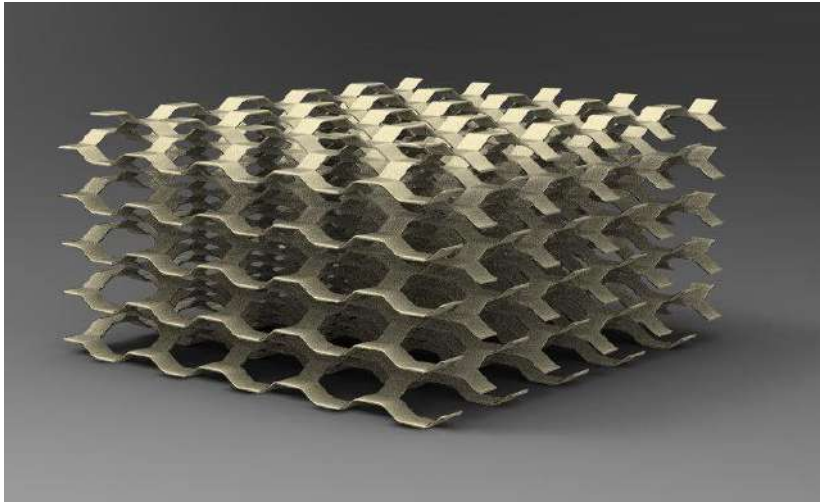
Source: Wohlers Associates, Inc.



Powder bed  
processes

# Background: Powder Bed Fusion (PBF)

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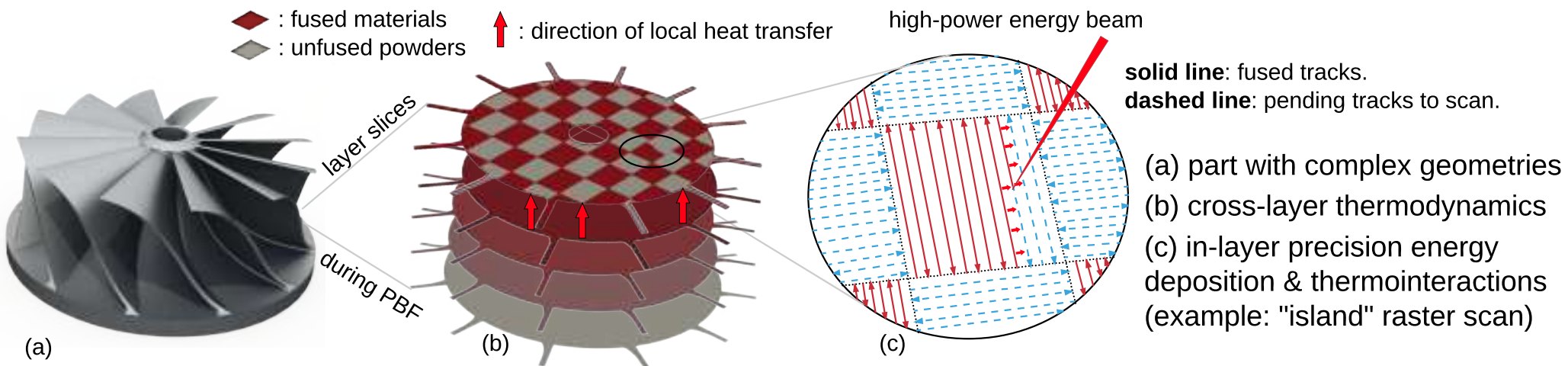
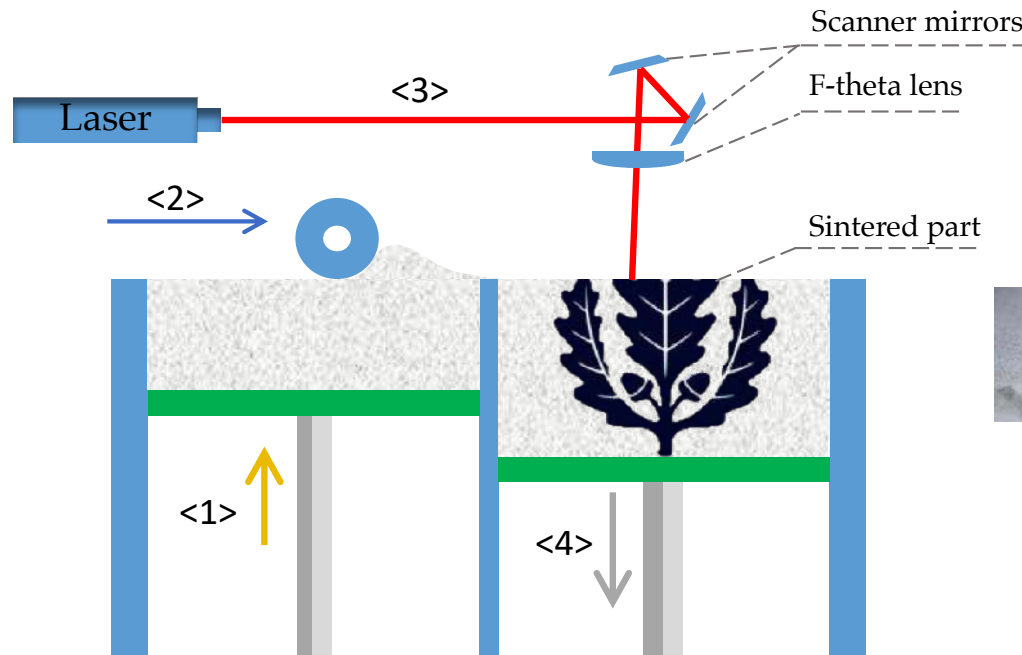


Source: UConn

- ***Versatile***: works with a broad range of materials
- ***Effective***: high achievable shape complexity and accuracy
- ***Functional***: expanding applications from engine components to medical implants

# The Control Problem to Meet the Quality Demand

Selective laser sintering/melting:





# Challenges in Sensing, Controls, and Platforms



ANNEX 1  
TRANSFORMATIVE MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY:  
Manufacturing Technology Area 1 -  
Advanced Sensing, Control, and Platforms for Manufacturing  
Overview

“One of these high-priority MTAs is the broad area of **Advanced Sensing, Control, and Platforms for Manufacturing (ASCPM)**.”

“Without a leadership position in these technologies the U.S. will run the risk of missing this next wave of manufacturing innovation.”



# Challenges in Sensing, Controls, and Platforms

Important Technology and Measurement Challenges for AM:

Fast In-Situ  
Measurements

Closed Loop Process  
Control

*“Process control: Feedback control systems and metrics are needed to improve the precision and reliability of the manufacturing process and to increase throughput while maintaining consistent quality.”*



Measurement Science Roadmap for Metal-Based Additive Manufacturing, 2013



Additive Manufacturing: Pursuing the Promise

# \$7.5M UCONN-P&W Additive Manufacturing Innovation Center



Arcam A2X



LECO ONH 836, CS 744 for impurity analysis.  
Camsizer XT for powder particle size analysis



3DSystems ProX300

From alloy development to  
machine control and property  
analysis



EOS M270 (P&W owned)

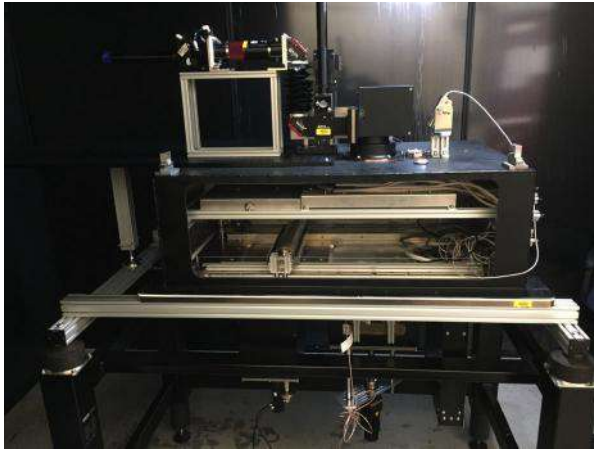


Anton-Paar rheometer



Gleeble 3500

# Selected UConn Research Facilities (X. Chen)



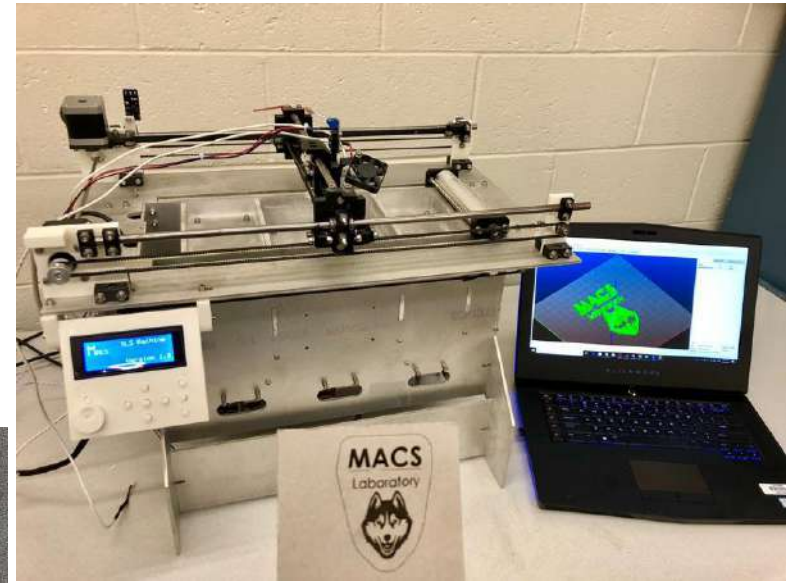
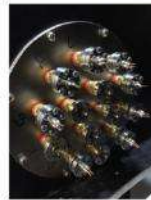
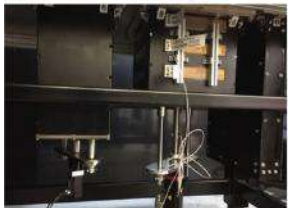
100W laser

270x270x270mm<sup>3</sup> build volume

Multi-zone heated chamber and bed

High-precision laser galvoscaner

Coaxial sensing and multi-sensory control



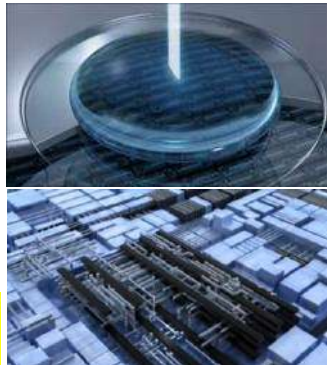


Principle Investigator: Xu Chen, Mechanical Engineering, University of Connecticut

# Machine, Automation, and Control Systems Laboratory



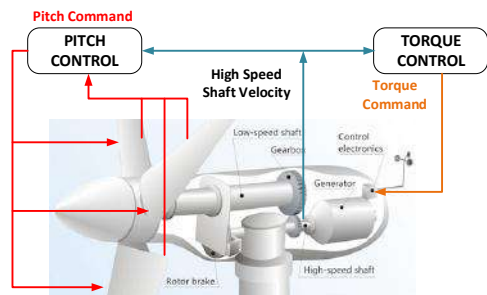
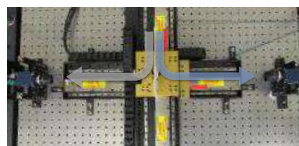
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Information storage

2.5 inch (nm error tolerance)

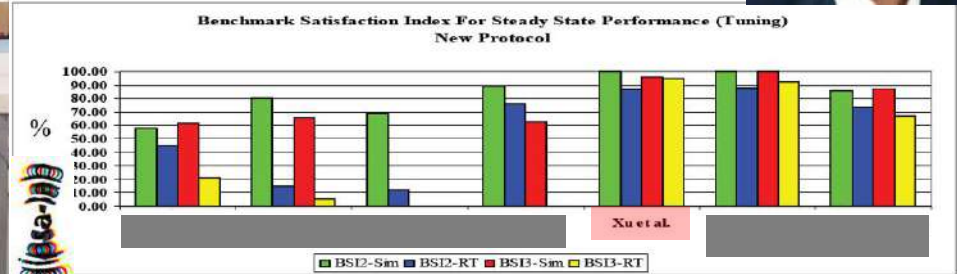
>800 ft.



Robotics



Adaptive Vibration Rejection



Best results: Xu et al. and Airimitoie and al.

Laser-material interaction



Additive manufacturing

