

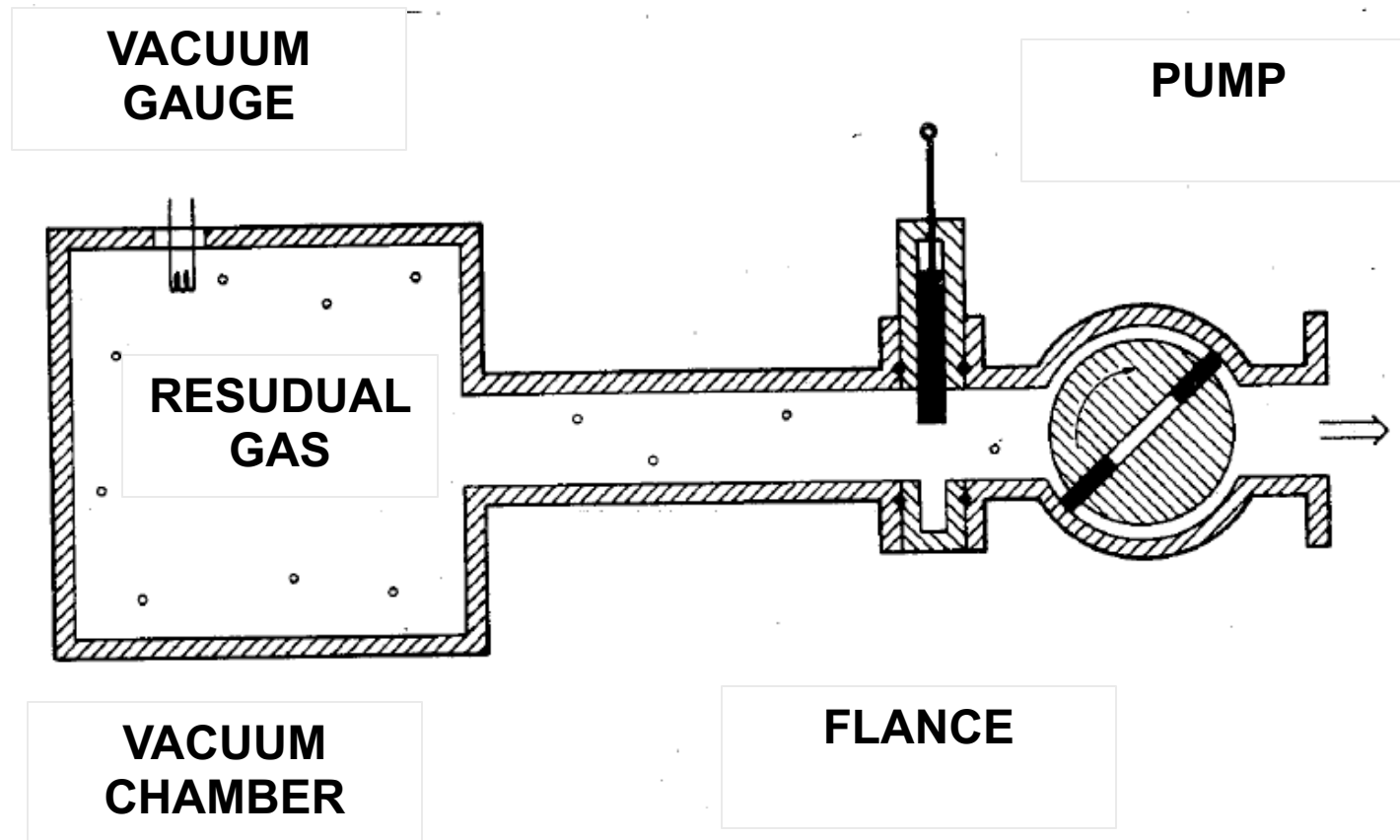
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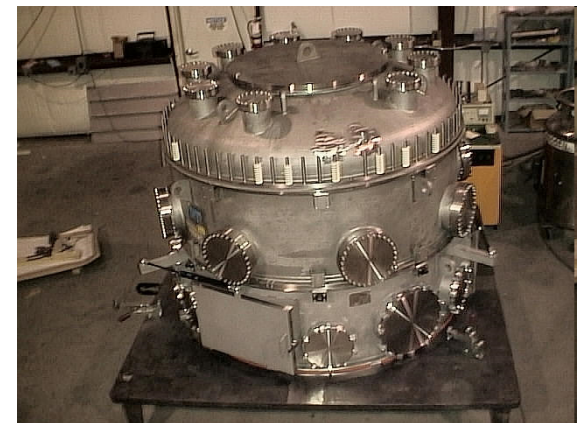
Vacuum Technology

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Vacuum system





Large surfaces, upscaling

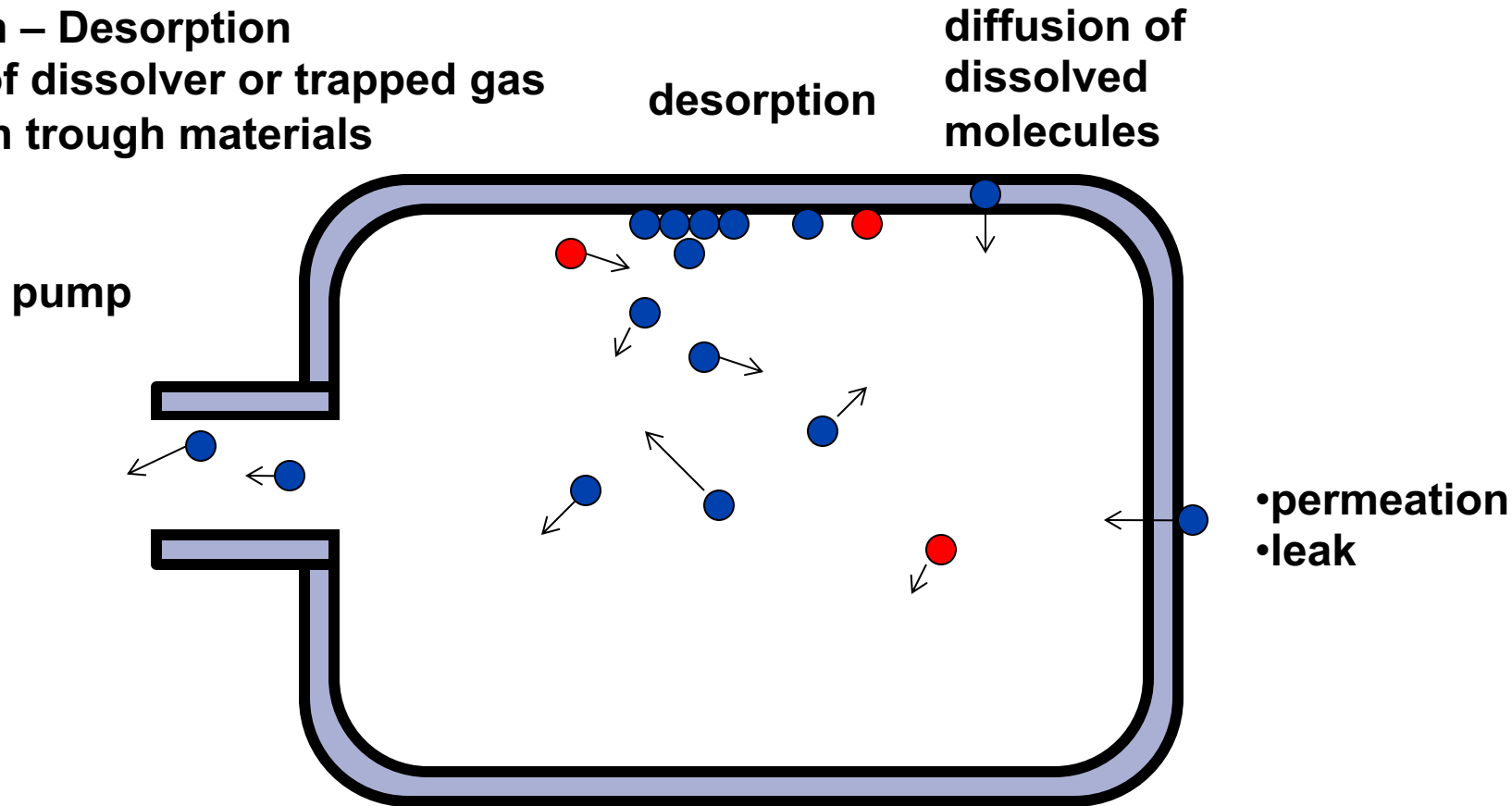


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Residual gas

Pumping of:
Residual gas:

- Adsorption – Desorption
- Diffusion of dissolver or trapped gas
- Permeation through materials
- Leaks



Composition of atmospheric air

| | % by weight | % by volume | Partial pressure mbar |
|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| N ₂ | 75.51 | 78.1 | 792 |
| O ₂ | 23.01 | 20.93 | 212 |
| Ar | 1.29 | 0.93 | 9.47 |
| CO ₂ | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.31 |
| Ne | $1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$ | $1.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$ | $1.9 \cdot 10^{-2}$ |
| He | $7 \cdot 10^{-5}$ | $7 \cdot 10^{-5}$ | $5.3 \cdot 10^{-3}$ |
| CH ₄ | $2 \cdot 10^{-4}$ | $2 \cdot 10^{-4}$ | $2 \cdot 10^{-3}$ |
| Kr | $3 \cdot 10^{-4}$ | $1.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$ | $1.1 \cdot 10^{-3}$ |
| N ₂ O | $6 \cdot 10^{-5}$ | $5 \cdot 10^{-5}$ | $5 \cdot 10^{-4}$ |
| H ₂ | $5 \cdot 10^{-6}$ | $5 \cdot 10^{-5}$ | $5 \cdot 10^{-4}$ |
| Xe | $4 \cdot 10^{-5}$ | $8.7 \cdot 10^{-6}$ | $9 \cdot 10^{-5}$ |
| O ₃ | $9 \cdot 10^{-6}$ | $7 \cdot 10^{-6}$ | $7 \cdot 10^{-5}$ |
| | Σ 100 % | Σ 100 % | Σ 1013 |
| 50 % RH at 20 °C | 1.6 | 1.15 | 11.7 |

Note: In the composition of atmospheric air the relative humidity (RH) is indicated separately along with the temperature. At the given relative humidity, therefore, the air pressure read on the barometer is 1024 mbar.

Units of pressure

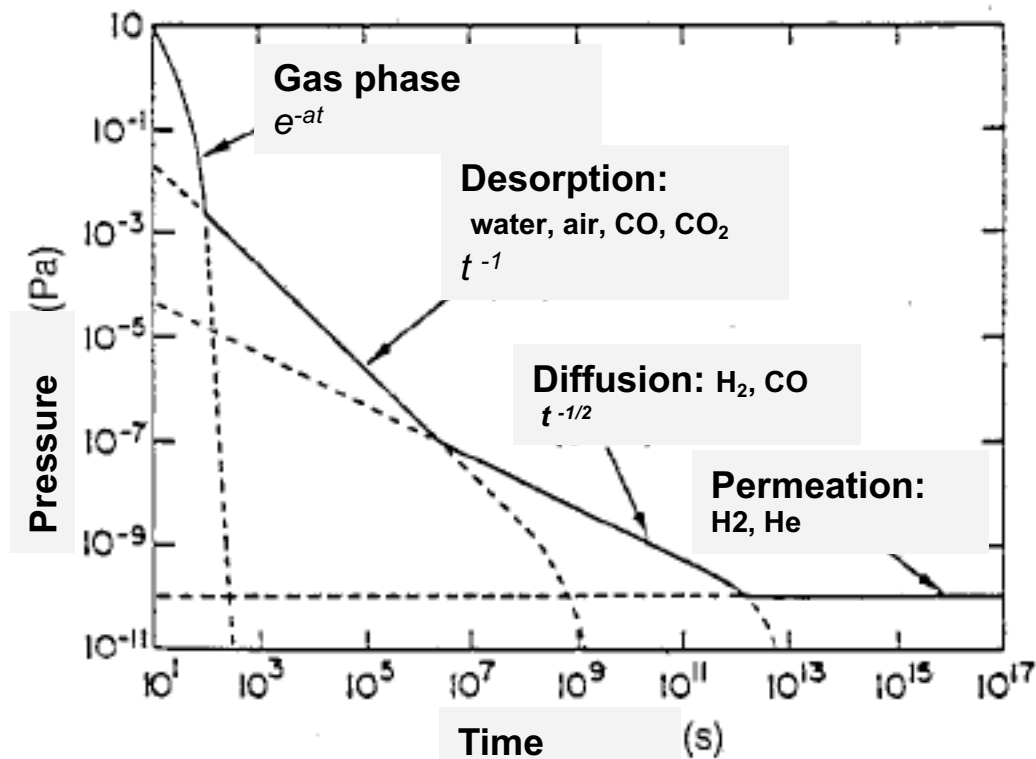
| | Pa (N m ⁻²) | mbar | Torr (mm Hg at 0 °C) | Technical Atmospheres (at) | Physical Atmospheres (atm) |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Pa (N m ⁻²) | 1 | 1.0 x 10 ⁻² | 7.5 x 10 ⁻³ | 1.02 x 10 ⁻⁵ | 9.87 x 10 ⁻⁶ |
| mbar | 1.0 x 10 ² | 1 | 7.5 x 10 ⁻¹ | 1.02 x 10 ⁻³ | 9.87 x 10 ⁻⁴ |
| Torr (mm Hg at 0 °C) | 1.33 x 10 ² | 1.33 | 1 | 1.36 x 10 ⁻³ | 1.32 x 10 ⁻³ |
| Technical Atmospheres (at) | 9.80 x 10 ⁴ | 9.80 x 10 ² | 7.36 x 10 ² | 1 | 9.68 x 10 ⁻¹ |
| Physical Atmospheres (atm) | 1.01 x 10 ⁵ | 1.01 x 10 ² | 7.60 x 10 ² | 1.03 | 1 |

<http://vacuumtech.blogspot.com/2009/06/in-international-system-of-unit-units.html>

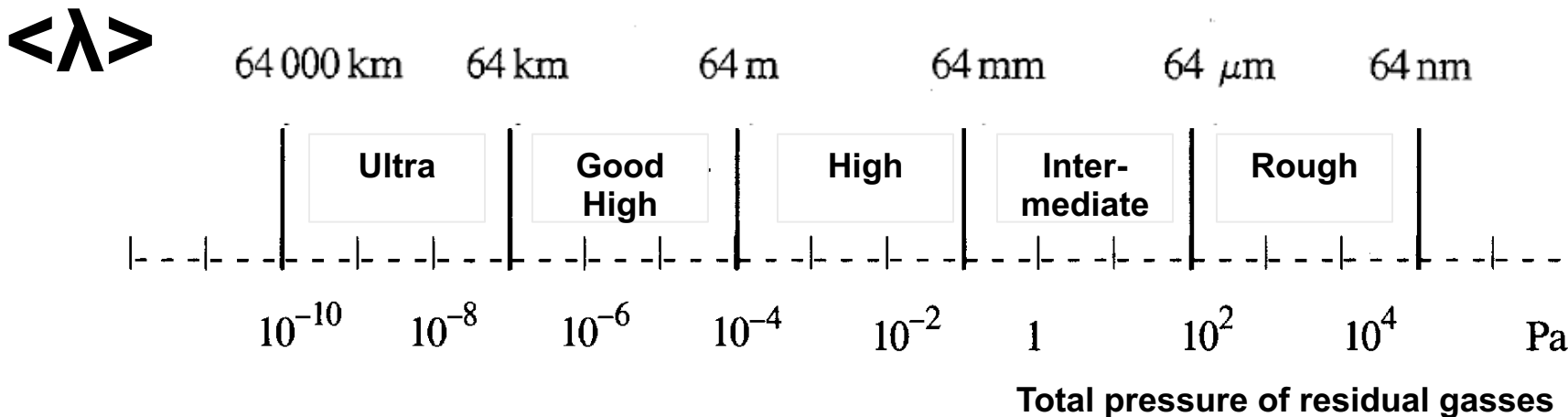
Sources of residual gas

Limiting factors

- **High vacuum**
 - pumping speed
 - leak
- **Good High vacuum**
 - desorption from walls
 - baking
- **Ultra high vacuum**
 - impurities
 - internal leaks
 - material selection
 - diffusion
 - permeation

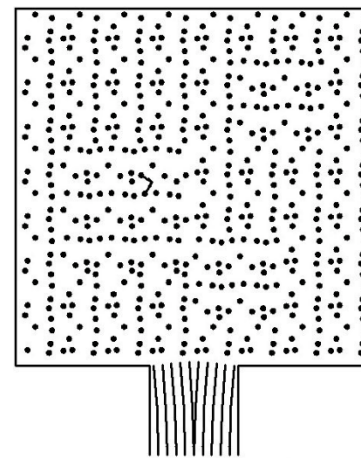
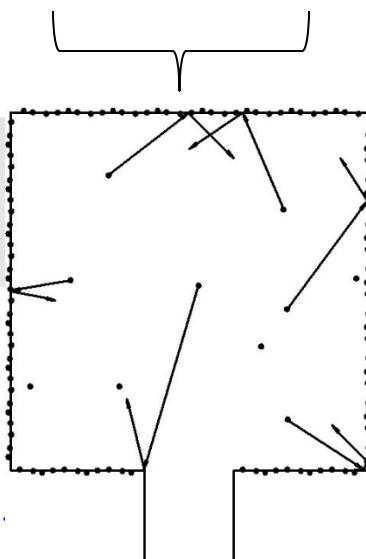


Average mean free path (distance between collision) in nitrogen residual gas



$$\langle \lambda \rangle = \frac{k \cdot T}{\pi \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot P \cdot \xi^2}$$

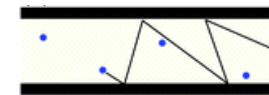
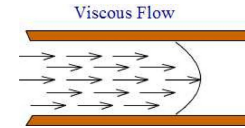
$$\rho_N = N/V$$



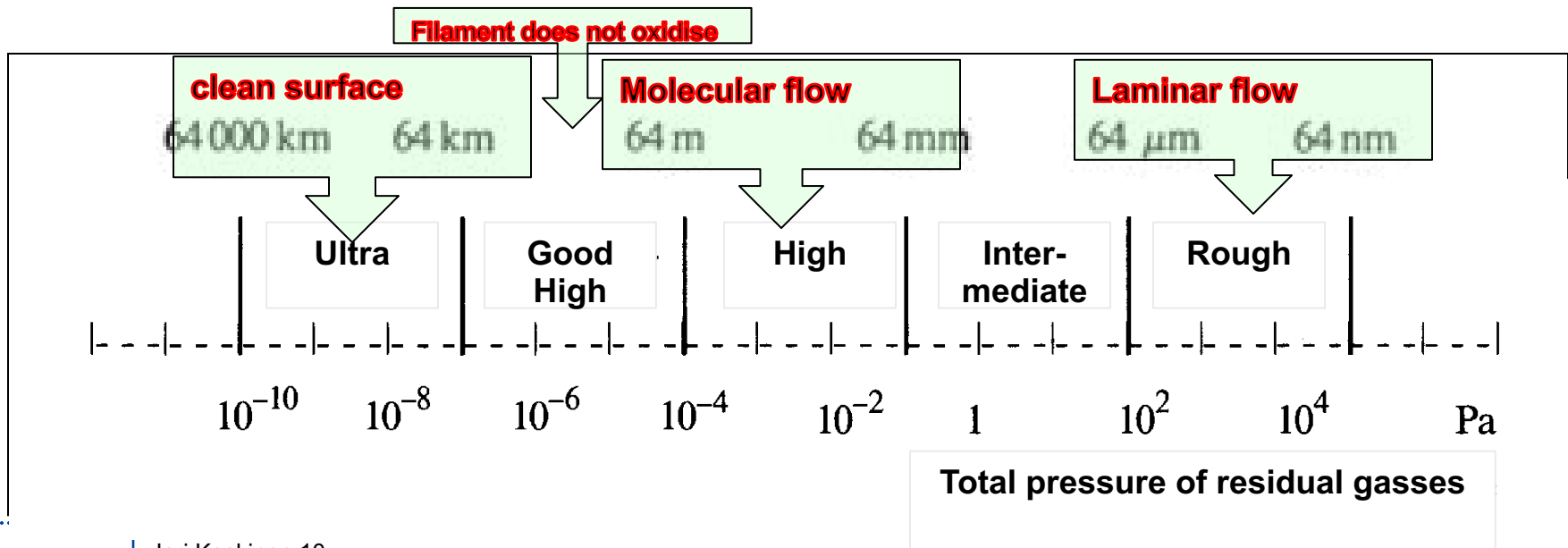
Phases of residual gas

d = diameter of chamber

- Viscotic $\langle \lambda \rangle < d/100$
- Intermediate
- Molecular $\langle \lambda \rangle \gg d$



ballistic atom motion

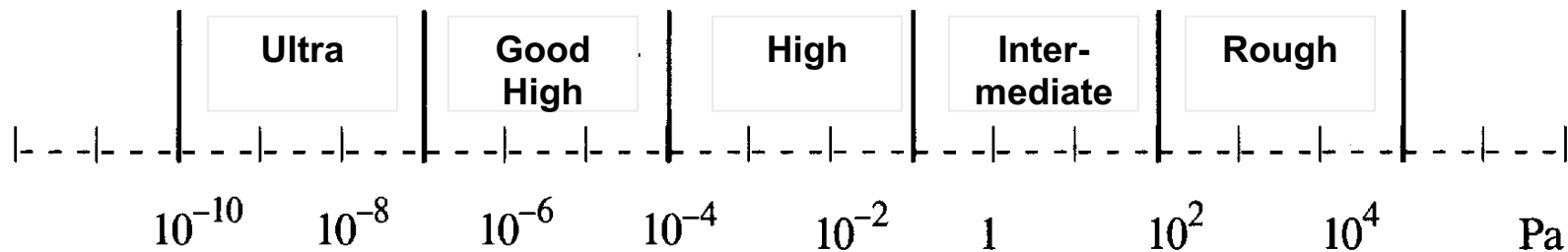


Time to form one molecular layer on surface

m average molecule mass
 ζ diameter of molecule

$$\tau = \frac{(2 * \pi * m * k * T)^{1/2}}{\zeta^2 * P}$$

15 vrk 21 min 1,3 s 1,3 ms 1,3 μ s 1,3 ns



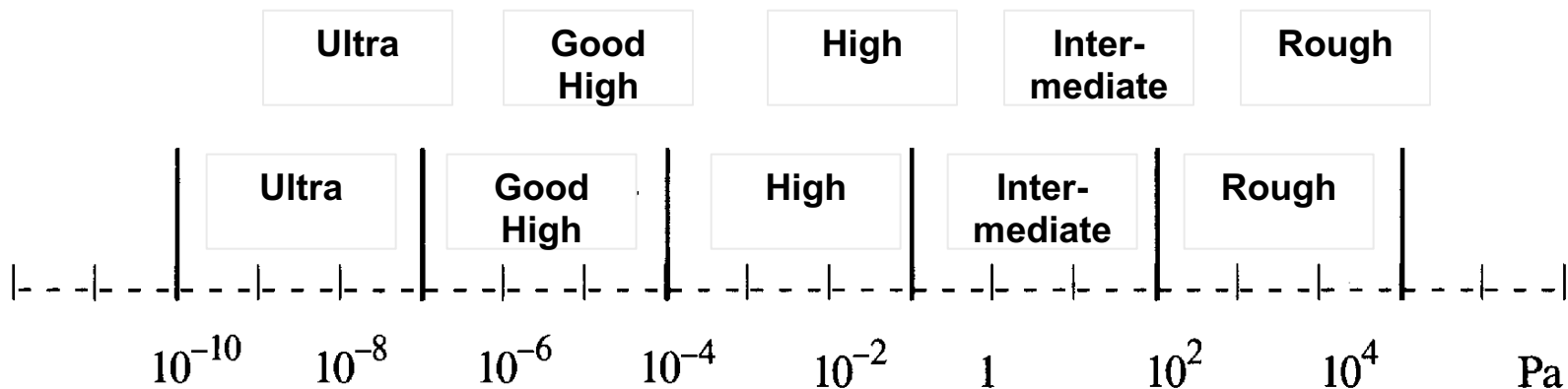
Total pressure of residual gasses

Use of High Vacuum

- **Ultra High vac. UHV $\tau \sim$ hour**
 - Clean surface during slow experiment
 - Atomic clean surface
- Ion accelerators
- MBE-processes
- Surface analysis
 - XPS, ESCA
 - SIMS

- **Good High Vacuum $\tau \sim$ min**
 - Sufficient for electron gun
 - Clean surface during slow process
- Several thin film processes
- Crystal growth
- Electron microscopy
- Mass spectroscopy
- Lithography

- **High vacuum $\tau \sim$ s**
 - Clean surface during process
 - Several thin film processes
 - Ion implantation



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Total pressure of residual gases

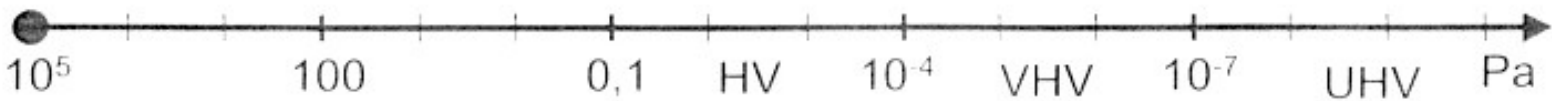
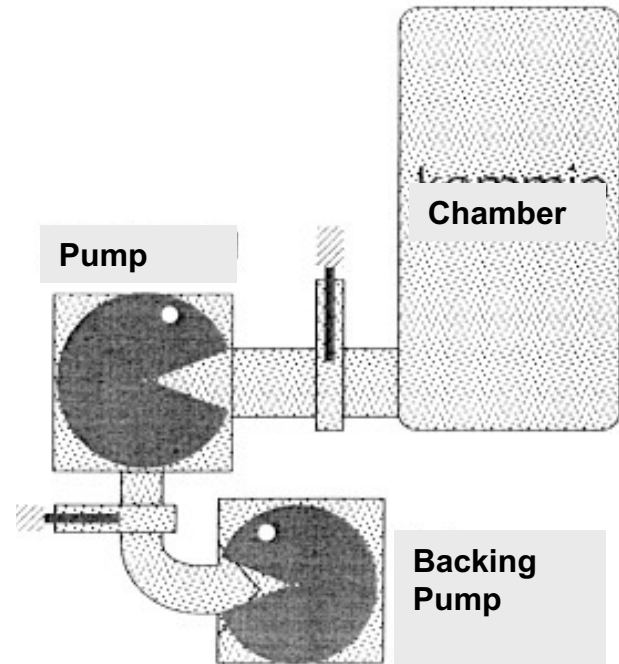
Critical temperatures for some residual gasses

| Gas or vapor | | T_c (°C) |
|--------------------|---|------------|
| Helium | He | −268 |
| Hydrogen | H ₂ | −240 |
| Nitrogen | N ₂ | −147 |
| Carbon monoxide | CO | −140 |
| Argon | Ar | −122 |
| Oxygen | O ₂ | −118 |
| Methane | CH ₄ | −82 |
| Carbon dioxide | CO ₂ | 31 |
| Chlorine | Cl ₂ | 144 |
| Ether | (C ₂ H ₅) ₂ O | 195 |
| Ethanol | C ₂ H ₅ OH | 243 |
| Carbon tetrachlor. | CCl ₄ | 283 |
| Water | H ₂ O | 374 |

above T_c no liquid

Vacuum Pumping

- **Mechanical pumping**
→ **0.1 Pa**
- **High Vacuum pumps with backing pump**
→ **HV, Good HV (VHV)**
- **High Vacuum closed**
→ **UHV**



Vacuum

- **Pump throughput**
Pa m³/s
- **Pumping speed**
m³/s, l/s, m³/h
- **Final pressure**
.....

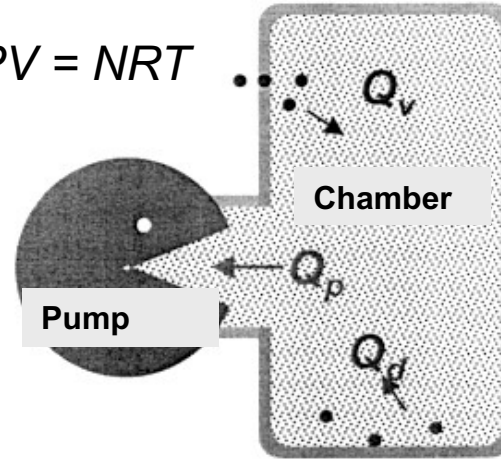
$$Q_p = p \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta t}$$

$$S = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta t}$$

$$Q_p = Q_d + Q_v$$

$$p = \frac{Q_d + Q_v}{S}$$

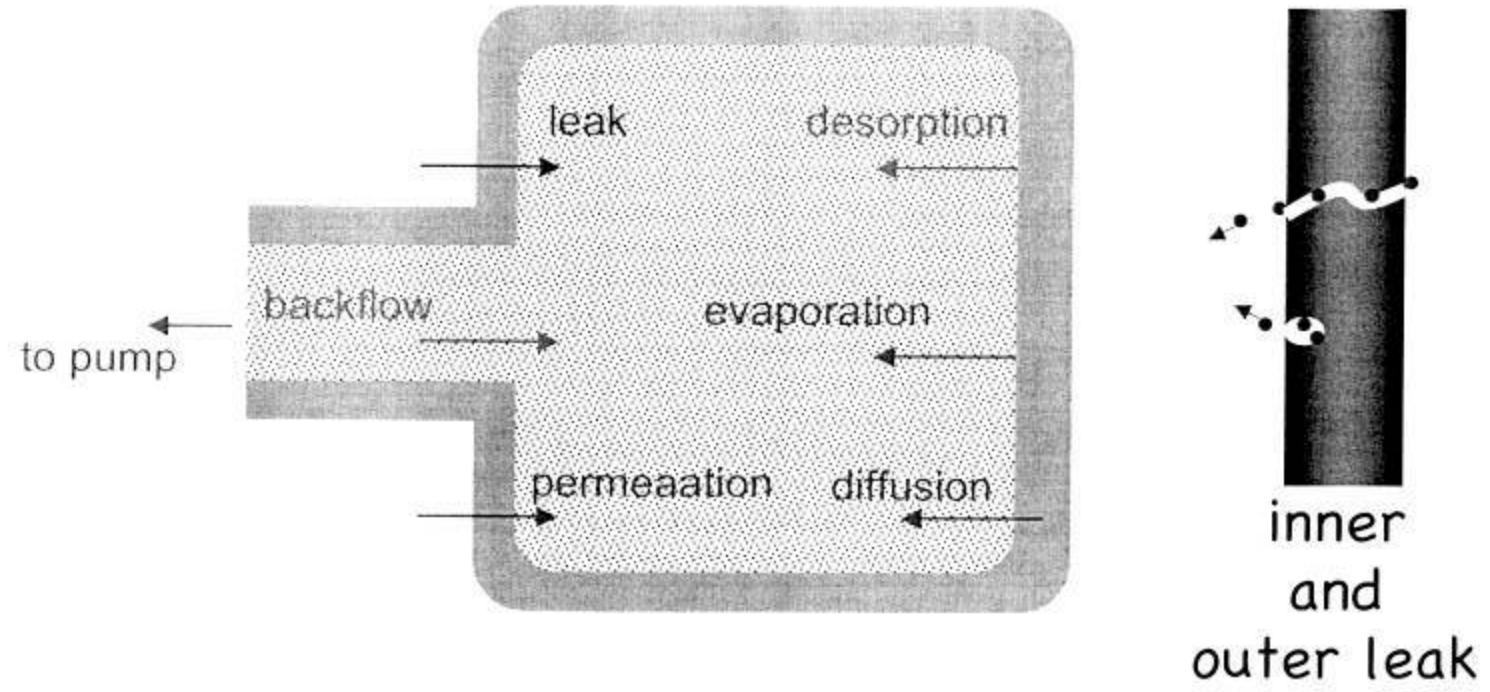
$$PV = NRT$$



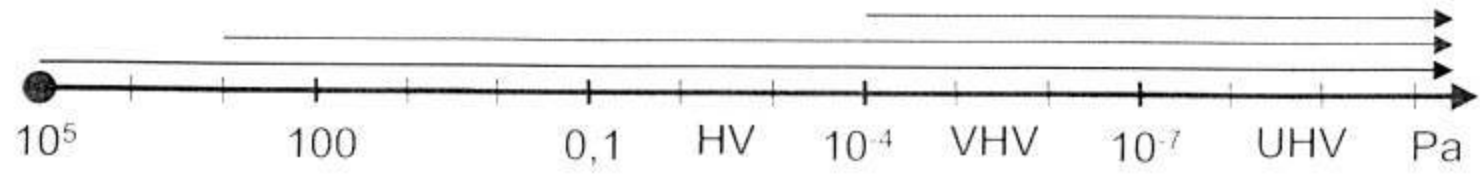
- m³/s
- l/s
- m³/h

Vacuum

Pumping speed and the ultimate pressure

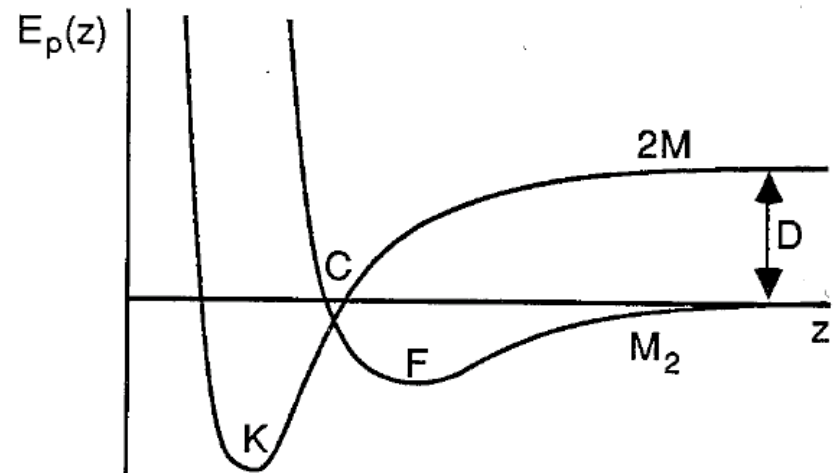


Balance $Q_p = Q_{leak} + Q_{des} + Q_{evap} + Q_{diff} + Q_{per} - Q_{ads}$



Adsorption

- Physisorption
- Chemisorption

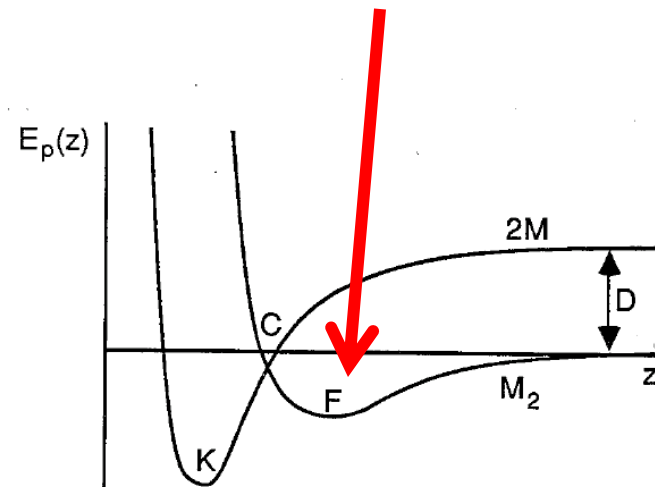
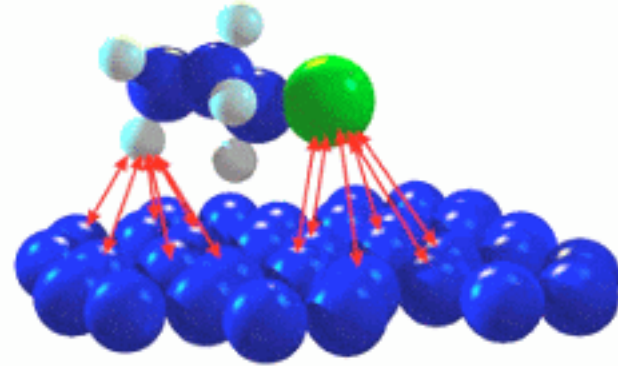


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Adsorption

Physisorption

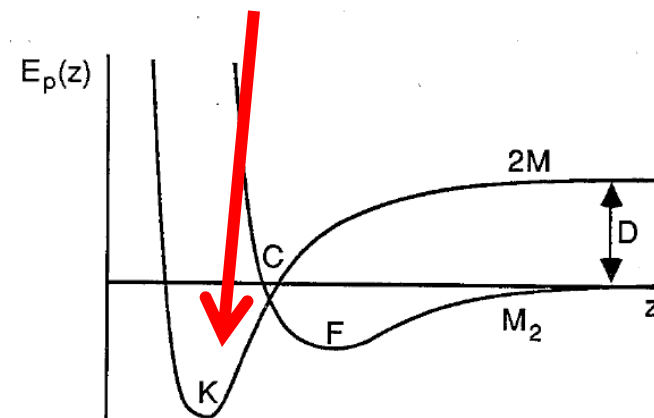
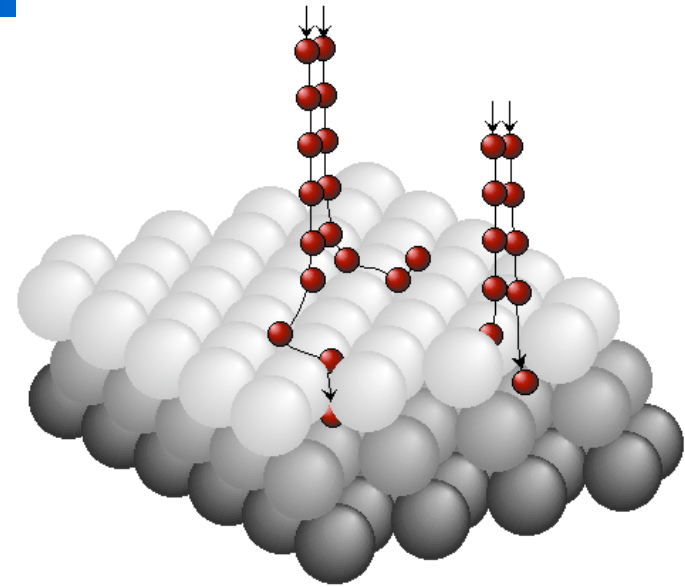
- Chemical bonding:
 - polarization (van der Waals)
- Bonding energy $\approx 0.001 - 0.5$ eV
- Bond length $\approx 3 - 10$ Å
- For example: noble gas or molecules on materials
- Possibly precursor state before chemisorption



Adsorption

Chemisorption

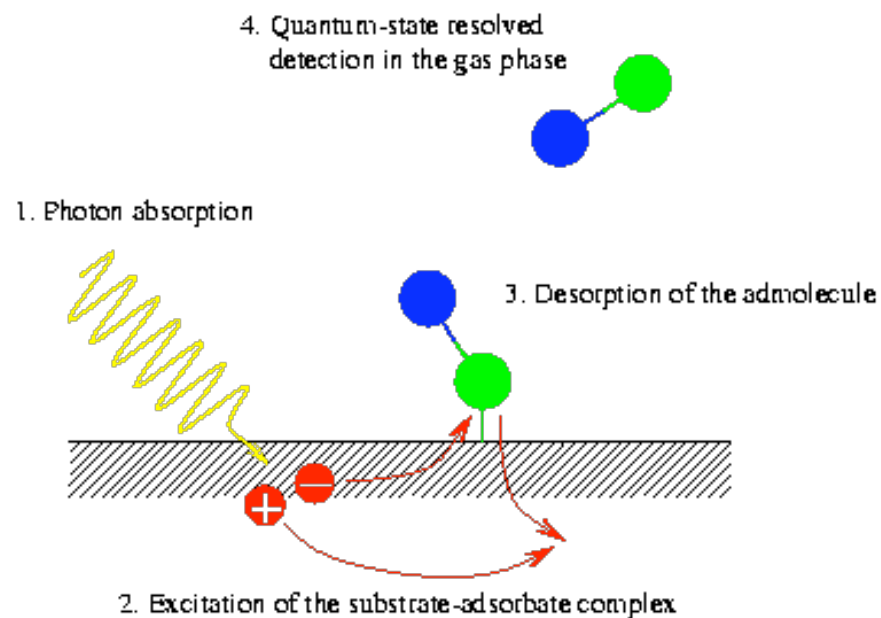
- Chemical bonding:
 - charge exchange
- Bonding energy $\approx 0.5 - 5 \text{ eV}$
- Bond length $\approx 1 - 3 \text{ \AA}$
- For example: H, O, N, CO on metals
- Dissociation of molecule
- Final absorption



Desorption

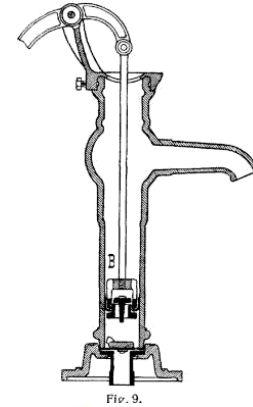
Adsorbed molecule must receive energy E_D in order to leave surface

- thermal
- radiation
 - photons
 - electrons
 - ions
 - electric field

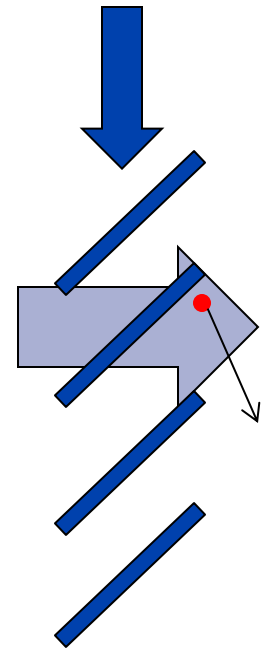


Vacuum pumps

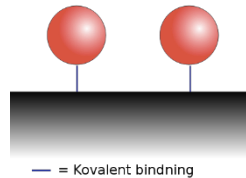
- Positive displacement (mechanical pumps)



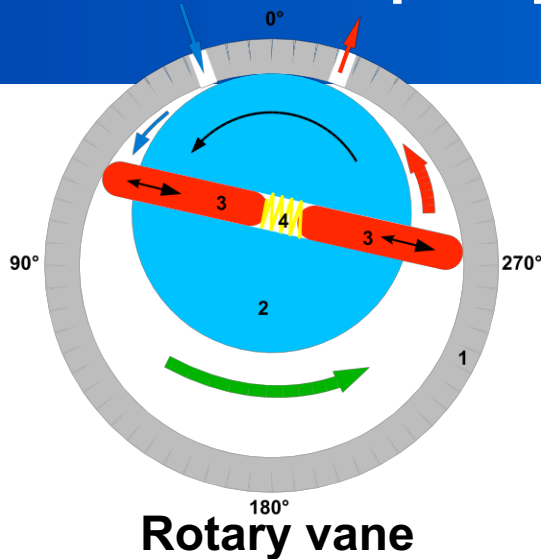
- Momentum transfer (molecular pumps)



- Entrapment



Mechanical pumps

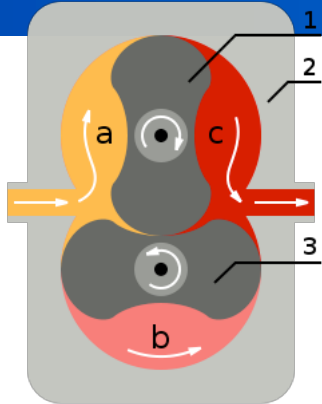


Very common fore vacuum-and general vacuum pump.

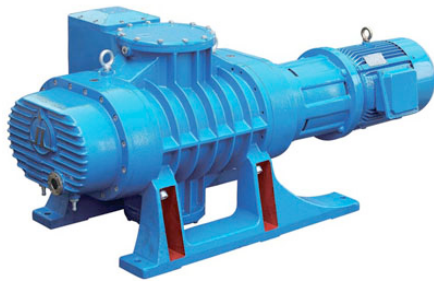
- Typically 1 or 2 stage configuration.
- Gas is moved by rotating vanes.
- Oil is used as seal, lubricant, and coolant.

+ High capacity from 10^3 to $\sim 10^{-2}$ mbar.
- Potential back streaming of oil into vacuum chamber.

Mechanical pumps



Roots



ZJP-1200C

Counter rotating blades moves gas volume.

- No contact between surfaces →oil free operation.

- Runs very hot without fore vacuum pump.

- + High capacity from 10 to $\sim 10^{-4}$ mbar.
(Medium capacity from 1000 to ~ 10 mbar)

- + Oil free

- Works best together with fore vacuum pump.

Mechanical pumps



Moving scroll orbiting a fixed scroll.

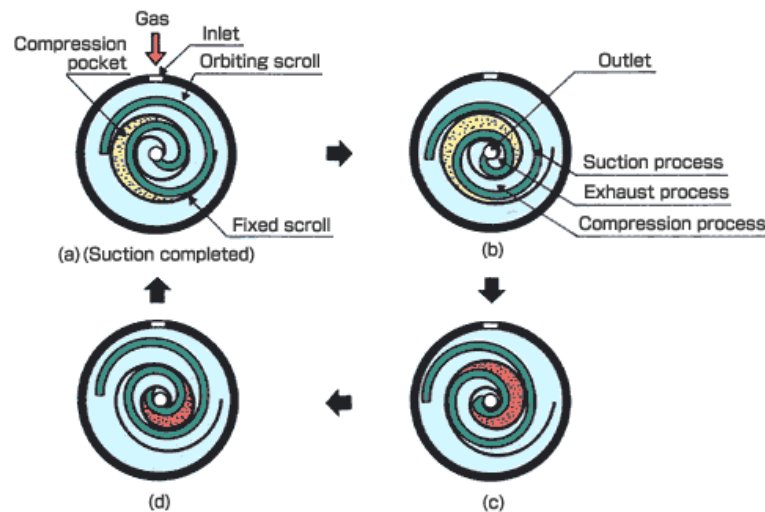
- Compressed gas volume pushed towards center outlet.

- + Oil free

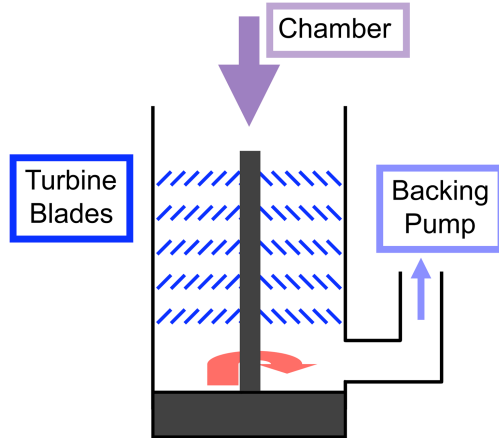
- + Reliable, low maintenance.

- Low to medium capacity (10^3 to $\sim 10^{-2}$ mbar)

Scroll pump



Momentum transfer - Turbo pump



Turbo molecular



- **Fast moving rotor (30k to 90k rpm) with several stages and many blades per stage.**

- **High efficiency in the molecular regime where gas molecules collide with rotor blade and not each other.**

- **Some modern pumps have magnetic, non-contact, bearings.**

- + **High capacity from 10^{-3} to $\sim 10^{-8}$ mbar.**

- + **Low maintenance.**

- **Sudden large gas loads may cause severe, expensive damage.**

Momentum transfer in turbo molecular pump

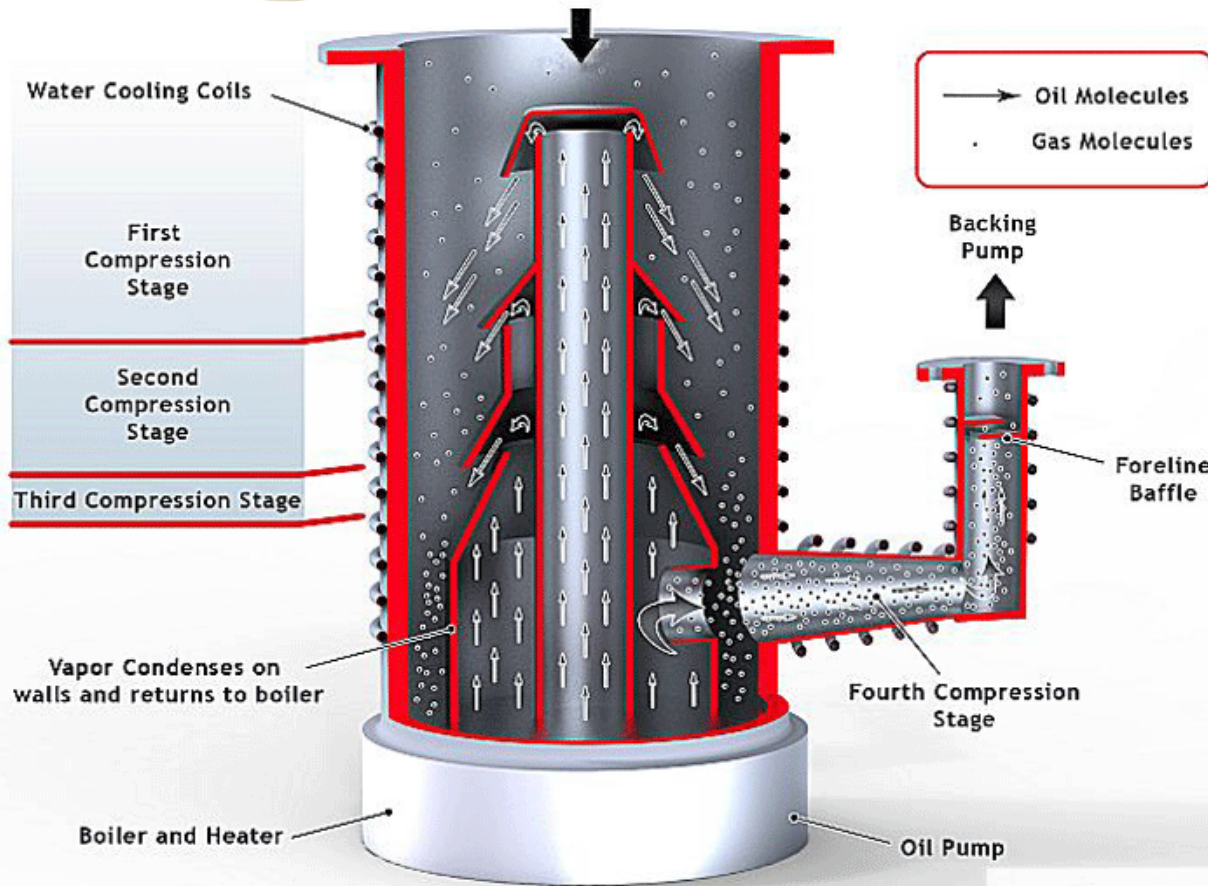


Momentum transfer - oil diffusion pump



Liquid nitrogen trap

(<https://www.idealvac.com/Varian-362-6-ASA-Liquid-Nitrogen-Cryotrap-For-Varian-VHS-6-Diffusion-Vacuum-Pumps/pp/P10385>)



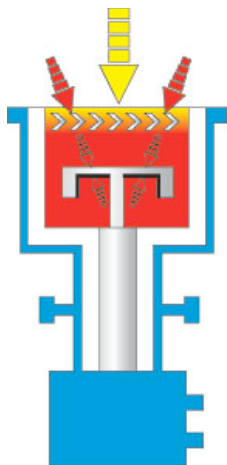
• Hot dense oil vapor is forced through central jets angled downward to give a conical curtain of vapor.

• Gas molecules are knocked downwards and eventually reach the backing vacuum pump.

- + Simple pump without moving parts.
- + High capacity from 10^{-3} to $\sim 10^{-8}$ mbar.
- + Low maintenance.
- Needs cooled baffle to reduce oil contamination of vacuum chamber.

<https://vacaero.com/information-resources/vac-aero-training/170466-the-fundamentals-of-vacuum-theory.html>

Entrapment



cryo pump



Cool head with several plates (stages).

The metal top side of the cool (12K) plates traps gas molecules by cryocondensation.

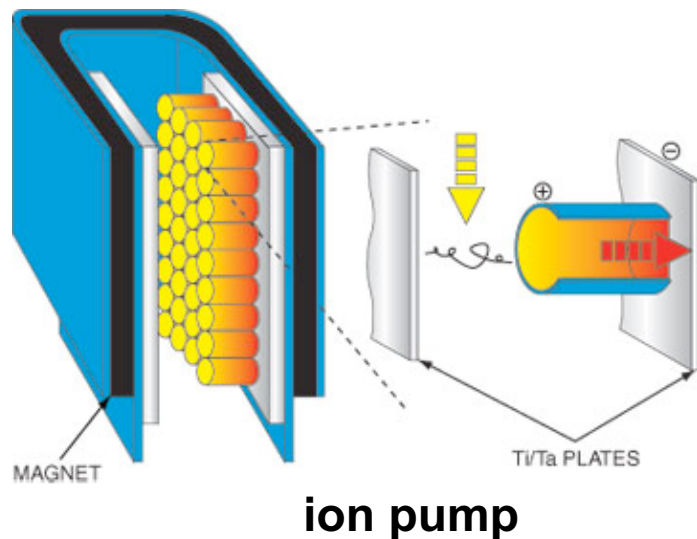
The bottom side of the plates are coated with active charcoal and traps gas molecules by cryo-adsorption.

The cooling is done with a Helium filled refrigerator loop.

**+ Very High capacity down to $\sim 10^{-9}$ mbar.
+ No backflow contamination.**

**- Pump saturates if exposed to high pressure or continuous gas flow.
- Need periodic regeneration of cool head.**

Entrapment



Free electrons move in helical trajectories towards the anode, ionizing gas molecules upon collisions.

- Gas ions strike the Ti cathodes and some get buried.

- Sputtered Ti deposits inside the tubes and getters gas molecules through chemical reactions.

- + Simple pump without moving parts.

- + Can work at very low pressure $\sim 10^{-11}$ mbar.

- + Oil free.

- Not suitable for gas loads.

Pumps and vacuum ranges

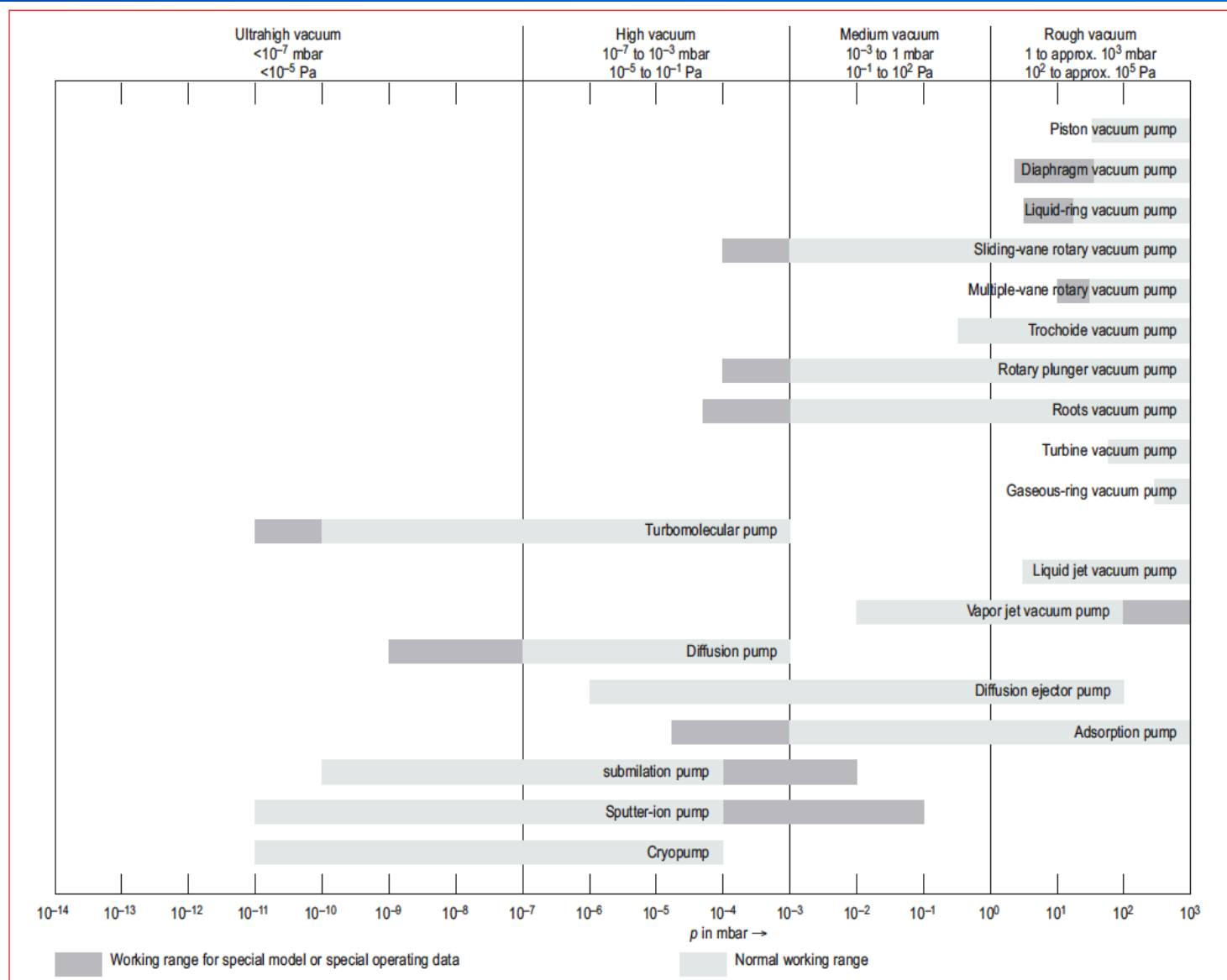
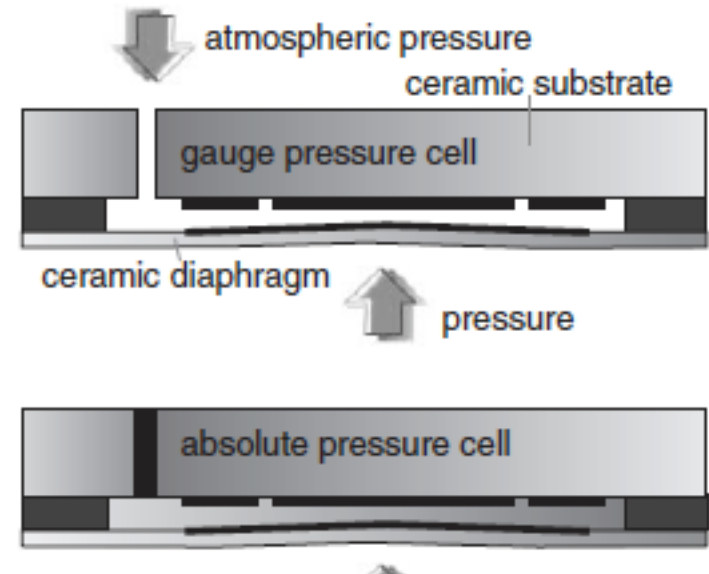


Fig. 9.16: Common working ranges of vacuum pumps

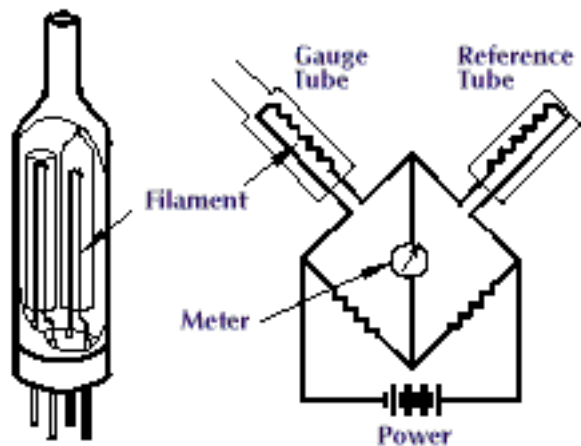
Vacuum gauges

- **Mechanical – diaphragm**
- **Electronic**
 - Piezoresistive (strain gauge)
 - Capacitive
 - Magnetic
 - Piezoelectric
 - Optical
 - Potentiometric
 - Resonant
- **Thermal conductivity – Pirani**
- **Ionization gauge**
- **Hot cathode**
- **Cold cathode (Penning)**



Gauges

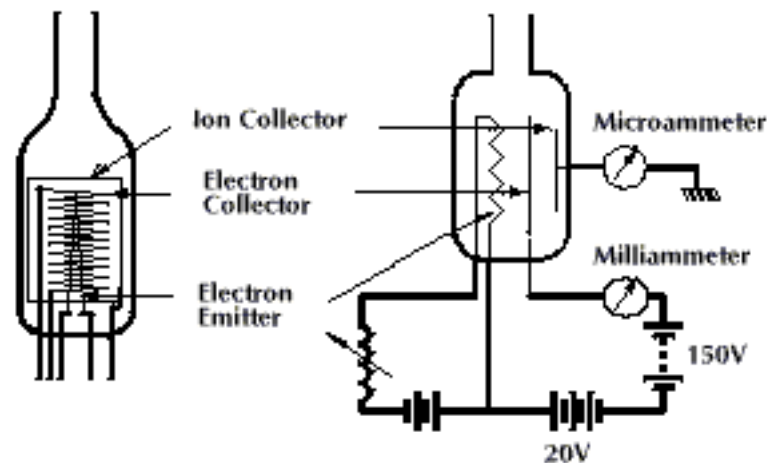
Heat transfer \leadsto pressure



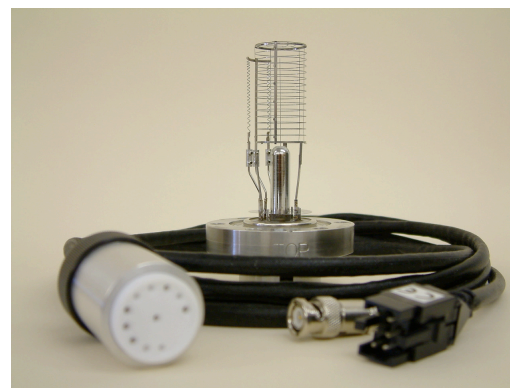
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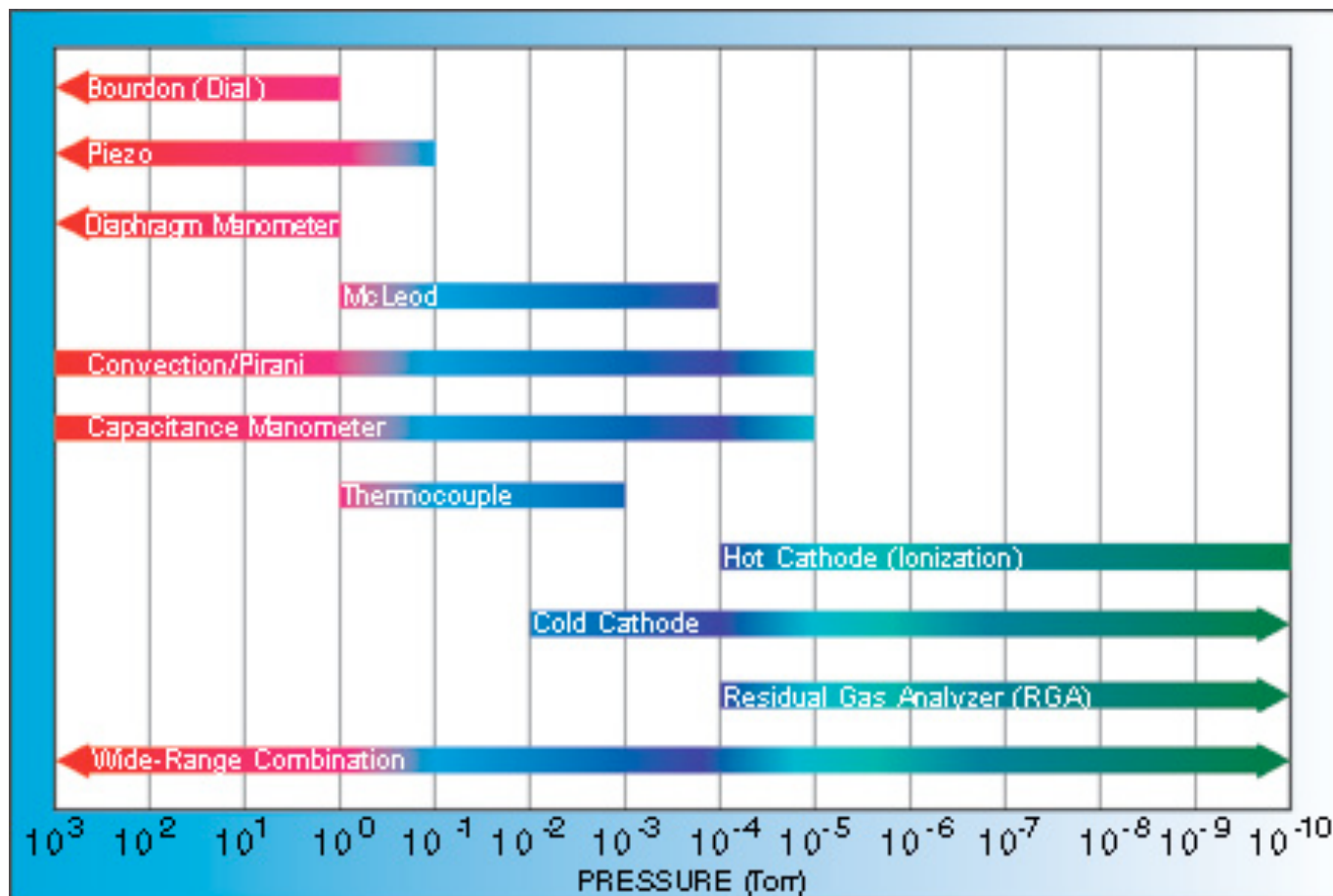


Ionization rate \leadsto pressure



ionization gauge hot filament





Residual gas analyser

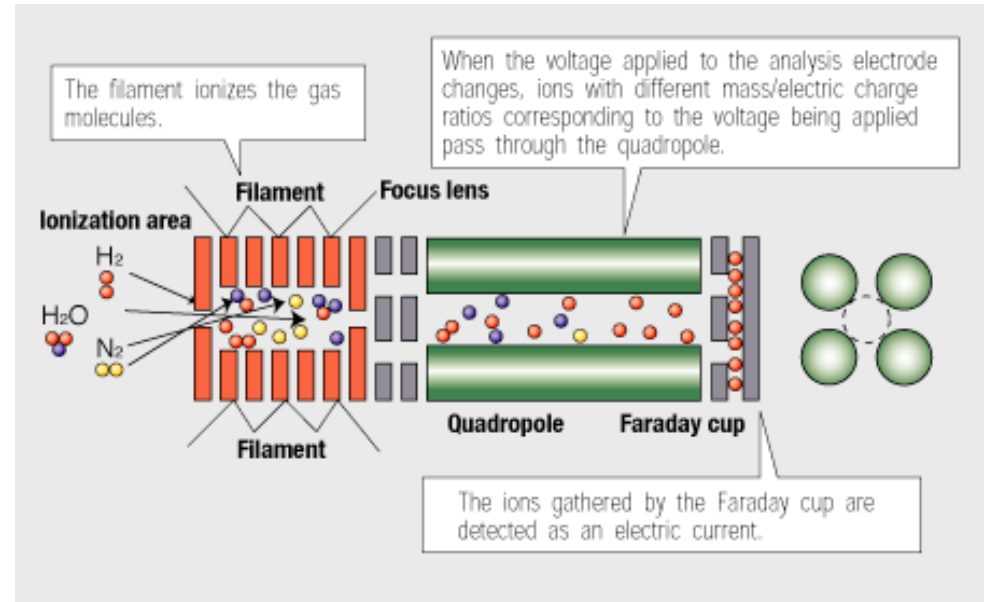
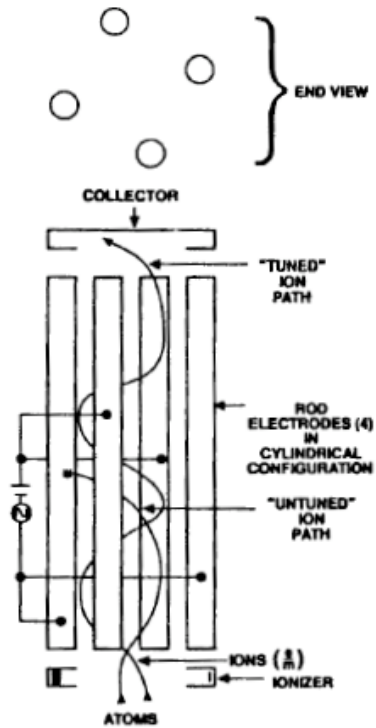
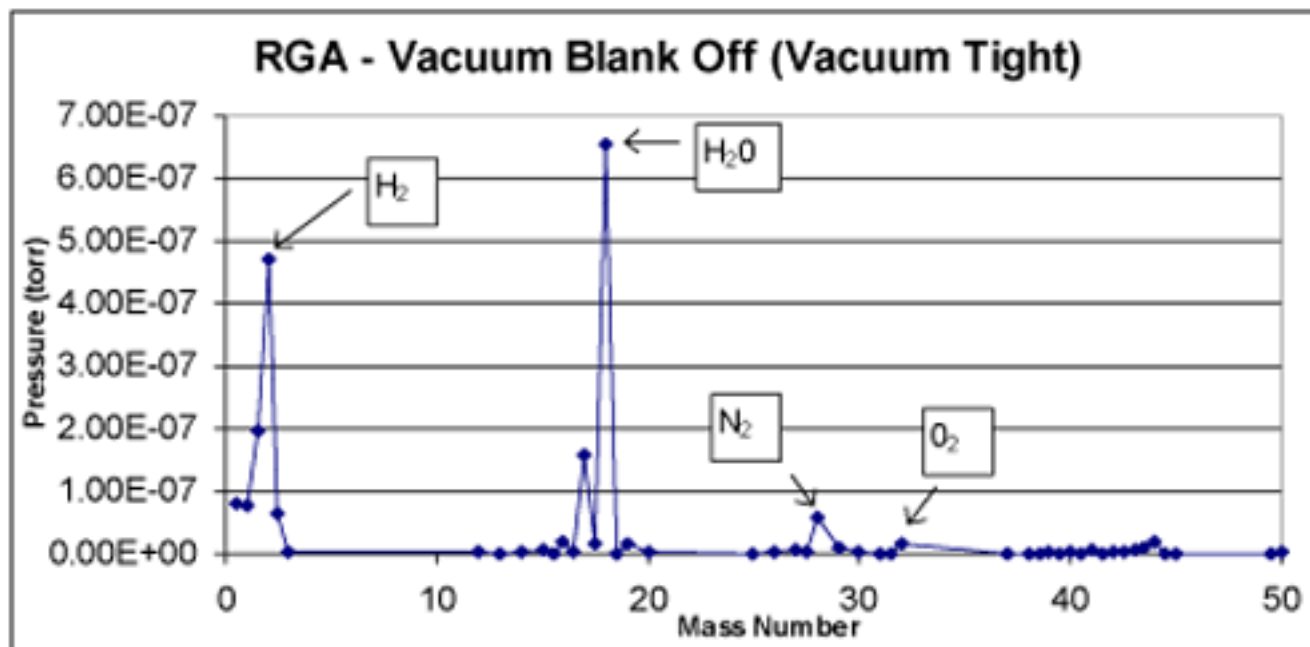


Figure 3-1 cont. A quadrupole mass spectrometer.



SRS RGA100 Residual Gas Analyzer

Residual gas analyser



| Mass Number (Major Peak) | Constituent |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 43 | Acetone |
| 28 | Air |
| 45 | Alcohol, isopropyl |
| 31 | Alcohol, methyl |
| 17 | Ammonia |
| 40 | Argon |
| 44 | Carbon Dioxide |
| 28 | Carbon Monoxide |
| 35, 37 | Chlorine |
| 36, 37 | Hydrogen chloride |
| 2 | Hydrogen |
| 4 | Helium |
| 39 - 43 | Hydrocarbons |
| 16.0 | Methane |
| 14, 28 | Nitrogen |
| 32 | Oxygen |
| 29 | Propane |
| 17, 18 | Water |

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Vacuum systems



Vacuum systems

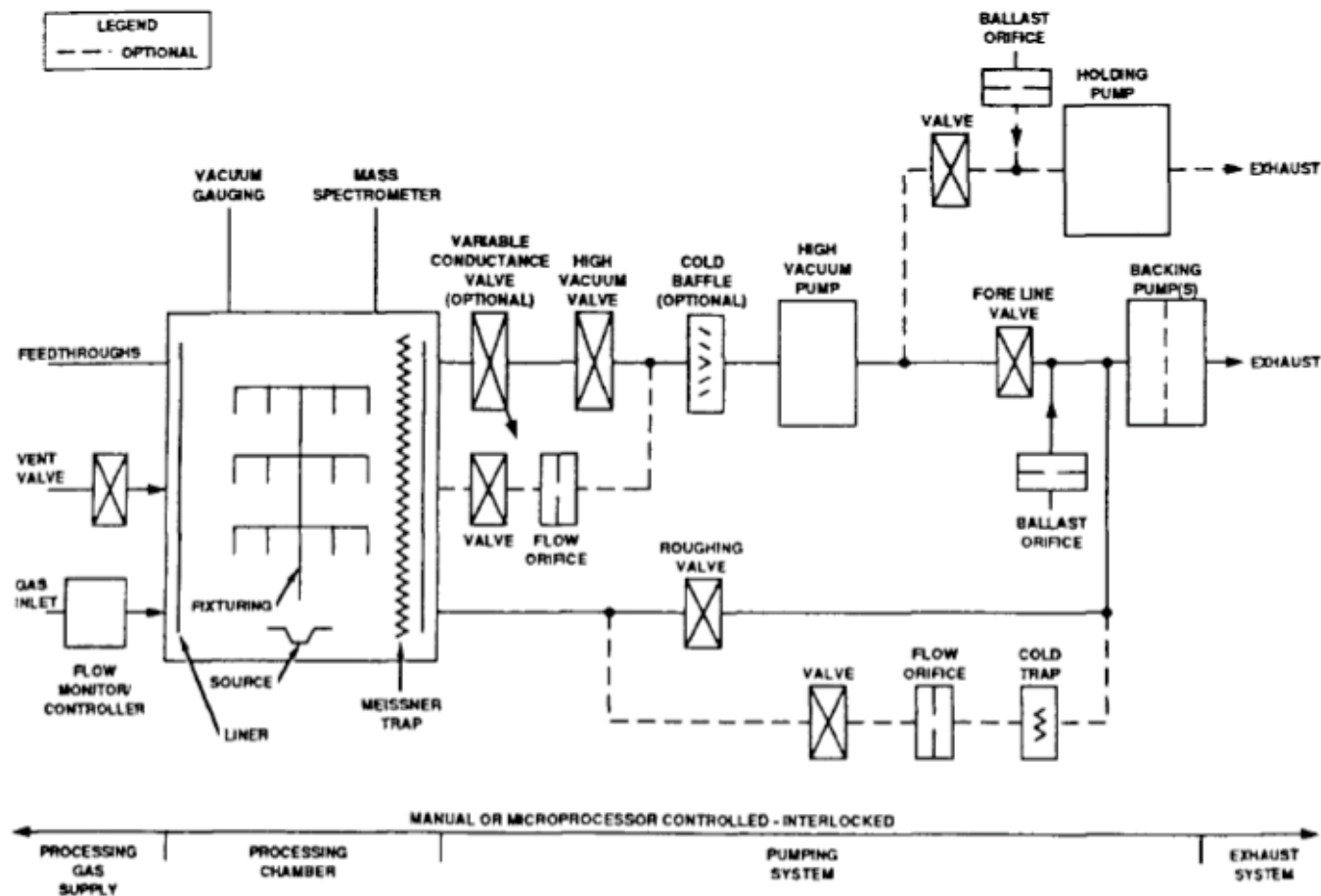


Figure 3-8. Vacuum/plasma processing system.

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Gas flow in vacuum systems

$$Q = C(P_1 - P_2)$$

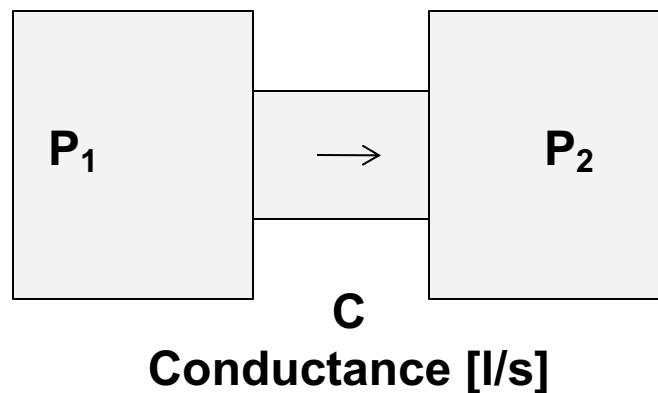
Q gas throughput [pressure*volume/s]

in series:

$$\frac{1}{C_{\text{sys}}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} + \dots$$

in parallel:

$$C_{\text{sys}} = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + \dots$$



Conductance of various geometries

M. Ohring

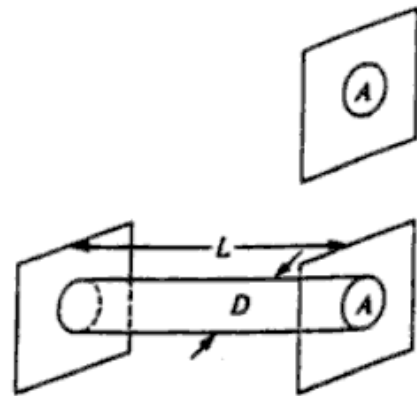


Diagram illustrating the conductance of two geometries:

1. A circular disk with area A (represented by a circle with 'A' inside) connected to two parallel plates. The conductance is given by:

$$C = 3.64A \left(\frac{T}{M} \right)^{1/2} = 11.7A$$

2. A cylindrical tube of length L and diameter D (represented by a cylinder with 'L' and 'D' labels) connected to two parallel plates. The conductance is given by:

$$C = 6.18 \frac{A^2 (T/M)^{1/2}}{DL} = 12.2 \frac{D^3}{L}$$

40 Out gassing

| At room temperature | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Standard values ¹ (mbar · l · s ⁻¹ · cm ⁻²) | Metals 10 ⁻⁹ ... · 10 ⁻⁷ | | | | Nonmetals 10 ⁻⁷ ... · 10 ⁻⁵ | | | | |
| Outgassing rates (standard values) as a function of time | | | | | | | | | |
| Examples: | 1/2 hr. | 1 hr. | 3 hr. | 5 hr. | Examples: | 1/2 hr. | 1 hr. | 3 hr. | 5 hr. |
| Ag | 1.5 · 10 ⁻⁸ | 1.1 · 10 ⁻⁸ | 2 · 10 ⁻⁹ | | Silicone | 1.5 · 10 ⁻⁵ | 8 · 10 ⁻⁶ | 3.5 · 10 ⁻⁶ | 1.5 · 10 ⁻⁶ |
| Al | 2 · 10 ⁻⁸ | 6 · 10 ⁻⁹ | | | NBR | 4 · 10 ⁻⁶ | 3 · 10 ⁻⁶ | 1.5 · 10 ⁻⁶ | 1 · 10 ⁻⁶ |
| Cu | 4 · 10 ⁻⁸ | 2 · 10 ⁻⁸ | 6 · 10 ⁻⁹ | 3.5 · 10 ⁻⁹ | Acrylic glass | 1.5 · 10 ⁻⁶ | 1.2 · 10 ⁻⁶ | 8 · 10 ⁻⁷ | 5 · 10 ⁻⁷ |
| Stainless steel | | 9 · 10 ⁻⁸ | 3.5 · 10 ⁻⁸ | 2.5 · 10 ⁻⁸ | FPM, FKM | 7 · 10 ⁻⁷ | 4 · 10 ⁻⁷ | 2 · 10 ⁻⁷ | 1.5 · 10 ⁻⁷ |

¹ All values depend largely on pretreatment!

Table X: Outgassing rate of materials in mbar · l · s⁻¹ · cm⁻²

Monolayer formation times

Table 3.2. Pressure (in Pascal and Torr), impingement rate, and monolayer formation time for selected vacuum and process conditions

| p (Pa) | p (Torr) | J_g ($\text{m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) | τ (s) |
|-----------|----------------------|---|----------------------|
| | | Nitrogen | |
| 1 | 7.5×10^{-3} | 2.9×10^{22} | 3.5×10^{-4} |
| 10^{-1} | 7.5×10^{-4} | 2.9×10^{21} | 3.5×10^{-3} |
| 10^{-2} | 7.5×10^{-5} | 2.9×10^{20} | 3.5×10^{-2} |
| | | water vapor | |
| 10^{-3} | 7.5×10^{-6} | 3.6×10^{19} | 0.28 |
| 10^{-4} | 7.5×10^{-7} | 3.6×10^{18} | 2.8 |
| 10^{-5} | 7.5×10^{-8} | 3.6×10^{17} | 28 |

Vacuum Baking

- In order to obtain UHV
 - heated to high temperatures (100 - 300 ° C or so)
 - mostly water is adsorbed to the chamber walls
 - very long time at room temperature.
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- Electrical heating tapes (shown in the picture below).
 - Then everything is covered with aluminium foil for insulation and heat distribution.



http://philiphofmann.net/ultrahighvacuum/ind_bakeout.html

Basics 5:Outgassing Resources

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Outgassing Data Table

| Material | Condition | Outgassing Rate in Torr Liters Per Square Cm. Per Second | | | Source |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|--|------------|------------|-------------------|
| | | 1 Hour | 10 Hours | 100 Hours | |
| Aluminum | Cleaned | – | 8X10e-09 | – | 1 |
| Aluminum | Anodized | – | 1X10e-07 | – | 1 |
| Aluminum | Anodized | – | 1X10e-07 | – | 3 |
| Aluminum | degassed | 1.7X10e-07 | 2.7X10e-08 | 4.6X10e-09 | 4 |
| Aluminum | none | 1.3X10e-06 | – | – | 4 |
| Aluminum 6061-T6 | none | – | 2.5X10e-09 | – | 5 |
| Aluminum 6061-T6 @ 200 deg. C | hot | – | 4.5X10e-09 | – | 5 |
| Aluminum 6061-T6 | Bake 13.5 hr. @ 200 deg. C | – | 3.7X10e-10 | – | 5 |
| Aluminum 6061-T6 @ 300 deg. C | hot | – | 1.4X10e-08 | – | 5 |
| Aluminum 6061-T6 | Bake 15 hr. @ 300 deg. C | – | 1.6X10e-10 | – | 5 |
| Brass | Cast, cleaned | – | 3X10e-07 | – | 1 |
| Copper | – | 2.3X10e-06 | – | – | 3 |
| Copper, 450 Deg.C | None | 1.6X10e-06 | – | – | 4 |
| Copper, 450 Deg.C | degreased, pickled | 2.6X10e-07 | – | – | 4 |
| Copper, 450 Deg.C | degreased | 1.4X10e-06 | – | – | 4 |
| Molybdenum | – | 7X10e-07 | – | – | 3 |
| Nickel | – | 6X10e-07 | – | – | 3 |
| Silver | – | 6X10e-07 | – | – | 3 |
| Silver | – | 6X10e-07 | – | – | 3 |

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|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|------------|------------|-------------------|
| Material | Condition | Outgassing Rate in Torr Liters Per Square Cm. Per Second | | | Source |
| | | 1 Hour | 10 Hours | 100 Hours | |
| Steel, Mild | Shot-blasted | – | 6X10e-08 | – | 1 |
| Steel, mild | – | 5X10e-07 | 5X10e-08 | – | 3 |
| Steel, mild | degassed | 5.3X10e-08 | 1X10e-08 | 1.9X10e-09 | 4 |
| Steel, mild | none | – | 1.9X10e-9 | 4X10e-10 | 5 |
| Steel, mild @ 200 deg. C | hot | – | 8.6X10e-9 | – | 5 |
| Steel, mild | baked 15 hrs. @ 200 deg. C | – | – | 4.3X10e-11 | 5 |
| Steel, mild @ 400 deg. C | hot | – | 8.4X10e-9 | – | 5 |
| Steel, mild | Baked 15 hrs. @ 400 deg. C | – | 1.2X10e-11 | – | 5 |
| Steel, mild | none | 4.2X10e-07 | – | – | 4 |
| Steel, mild | none | 4.2X10e-07 | – | – | 4 |
| Steel, chrome plated | Polished & vapour degreased | 1X10e-08 | 9X10e-10 | – | 3 |
| Steel, nickel plated | Polished & vapour degreased | 5X10e-07 | 1X10e-09 | – | 3 |
| Steel, stainless | – | 2X10e-07 | 2X10e-08 | – | 1 |
| Steel, stainless | Polished & vapour degreased | – | 1.4X10e-09 | – | 3 |
| Steel, stainless | none | 6.4X10e-07 | – | – | 4 |
| Steel, stainless | degreased | 4X10e-07 | – | – | 4 |
| Steel, stainless | annealed | 5.3X10e-08 | – | – | 4 |
| Steel, stainless | none | 7.6X10e-10 | – | 1.1X10e-10 | 5 |
| Steel, stainless | none | – | 1.2X10e-08 | – | 5 |
| Steel, stainless | bake 24 hr, 200 deg. C | – | 1.5X10e-10 | – | 5 |
| Steel, stainless | bake 12 hr., 400 deg. C | – | 9.3X10e-13 | – | 5 |
| Steel, stainless @ 400 deg. C | hot | – | 1.4X10e-09 | – | 5 |
| Tantalum | – | 9X10e-07 | – | – | 3 |
| Tungsten | – | 2X10e-07 | – | – | 3 |

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|-----------------|-------------|--|------------|------------|-------------------|
| | | 1 Hour | 10 Hours | 100 Hours | |
| "Araldite D" | – | – | 1X10e-06 | 3X10e-07 | 1 |
| Neoprene | – | 3X10e-05 | 1.5X10e-05 | – | 1 |
| PVC | – | – | 8X10e-07 | 1.3X10e-07 | 1 |
| Mylar | outgassed | 2X10e-07 | – | – | 2 |
| Neoprene | As received | 2X10e-04 | – | – | 2 |
| Silicone rubber | As received | 3X10e-05 | – | – | 2 |
| Teflon | As received | 5X10e-06 | – | – | 2 |
| PVC | As received | 9X10e-07 | – | – | 2 |
| Textolite | As received | 7X10e-06 | – | – | 2 |
| Mylar | As received | 3X10e-06 | – | – | 2 |
| Zirconium | – | 1.3X10e-06 | – | – | 3 |
| Butyl rubber | – | 1.5X10e-06 | – | – | 3 |
| Kel F | – | 4X10e-08 | – | – | 3 |
| Plexiglass | Outgassed | 1X10e-06 | – | – | 3 |
| Polyethylene | – | 2.6X10e-07 | – | – | 3 |
| Nylon | – | 1.2X10e-05 | – | – | 3 |
| Porcelain | Glazed | 6.5X10e-07 | – | – | 3 |
| Steatite | – | 9eX10e-08 | – | – | 3 |
| Epon 828 | degassed | 6.7X10e-07 | 5.9X10e-08 | 9.4X10e-09 | 4 |
| Teflon | degassed | 4.6eX10e-07 | 2.1X10e-07 | 9X10e-09 | 4 |

Oxygen contamination

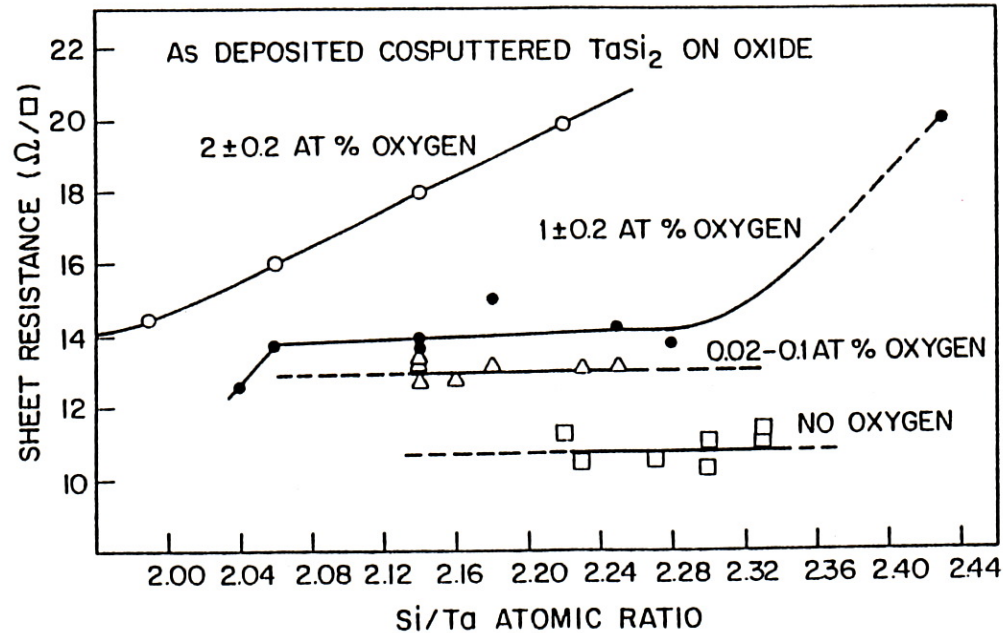
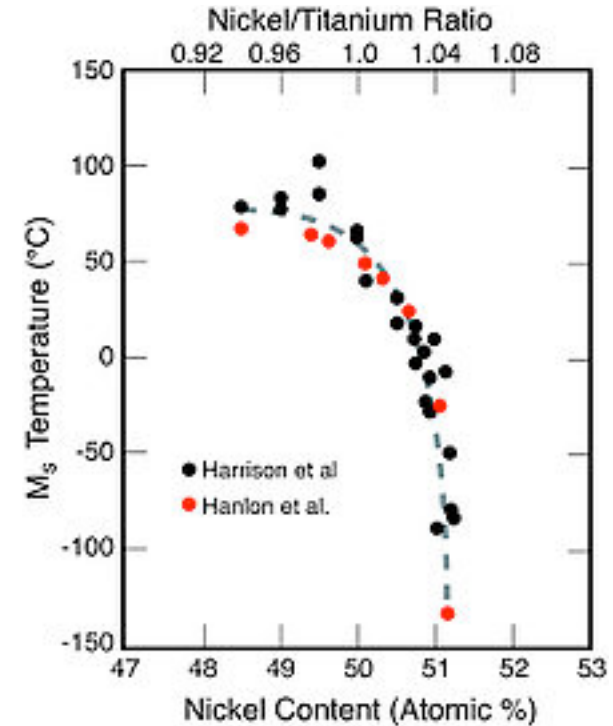


Figure 4.3. Variation in the as-deposited sheet resistance of cosputtered Ta-Si deposits (on SiO₂) as a function of Si:Ta atomic ratio for several oxygen concentration ranges. Oxygen was incorporated as a contaminant during sputtering.

Case NiTi

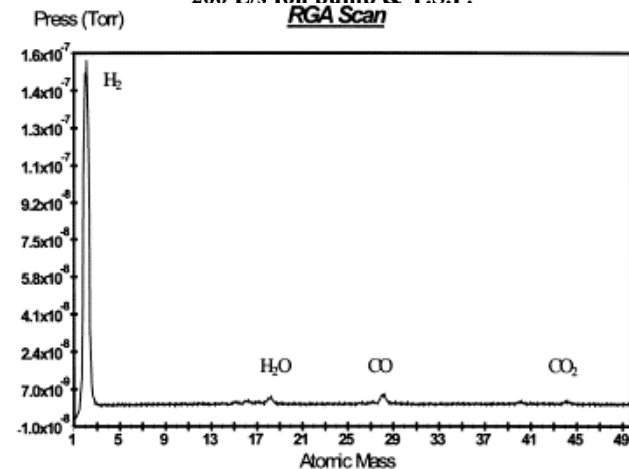
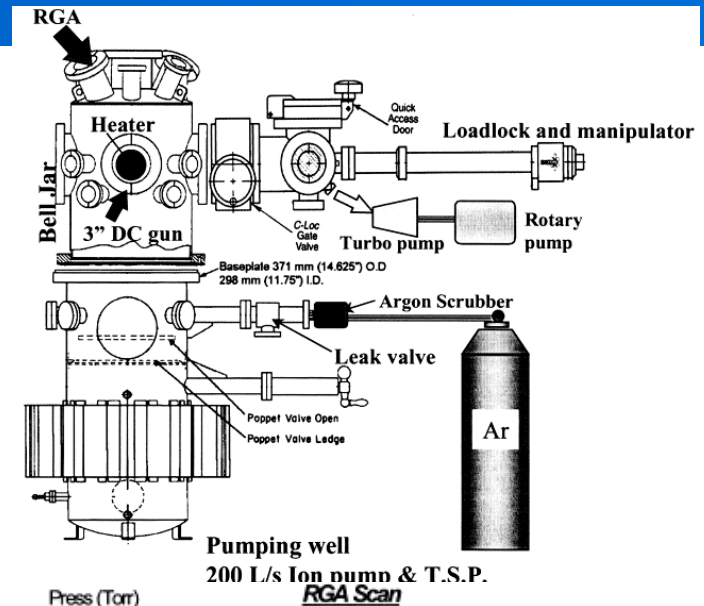
- Nickel Titanium shape memory alloy
- MEMS devices
- Based on reversible austenite-martensite transformation, which is temperature driven
- Transformation temperature depends on stoichiometry
- oxygen reacts with Ti forming TiO_x , which changes Ni/Ti ratio in alloy



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Case NiTi

- RGA control in UHV vacuum
- Before baking H_2 , H_2O , CO_2 and CO
- By baking H_2O , CO_2 and CO gases were kept below 10^{-8} Torr
- Sputtering with Ar partial pressure of 2 mtorr during film growth
- Stoichiometry and transition temperature as in bulk NiTi
- without careful ambient control transition temperature changes radically. (Oxygen detection at low contents difficult in metallic thin films)



Vacuum systems and sample loading

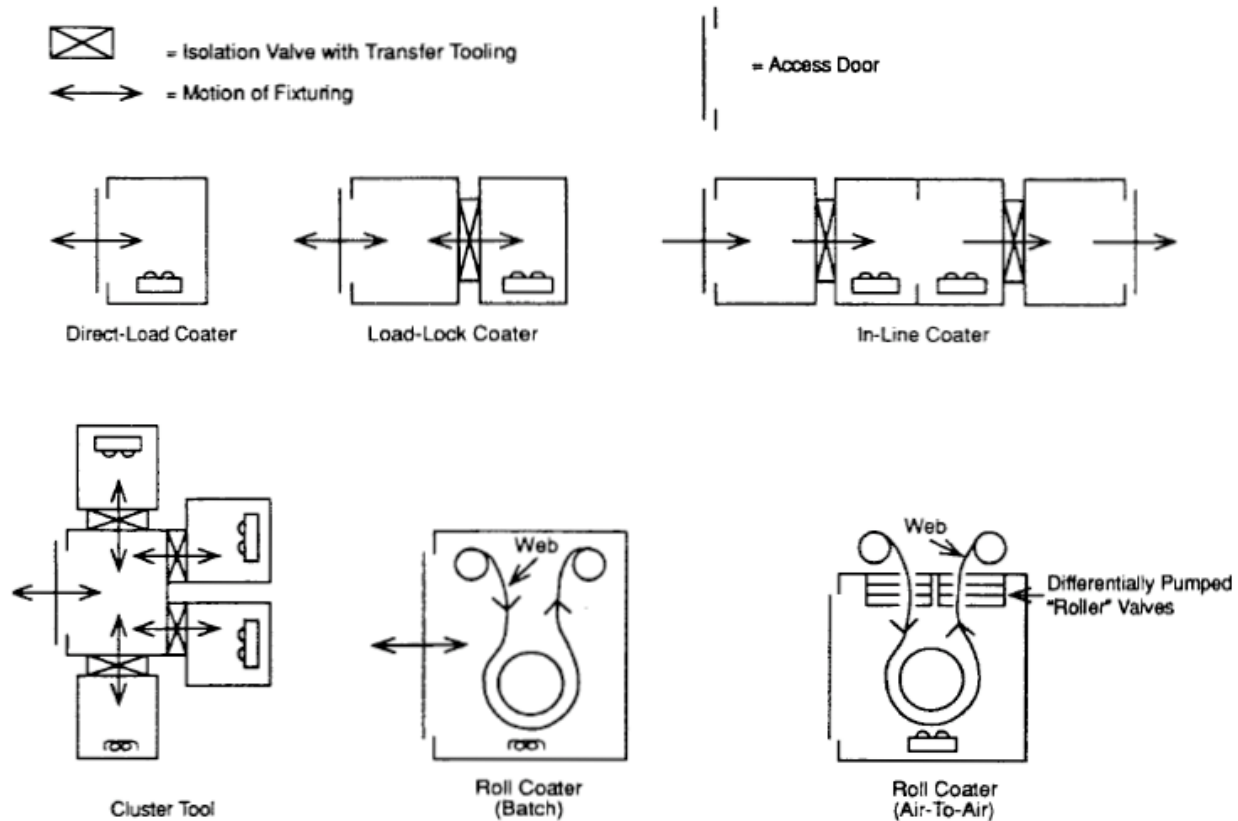
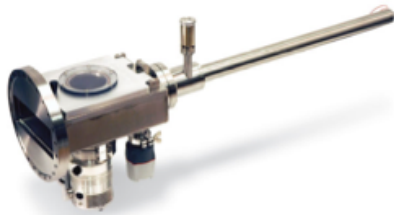


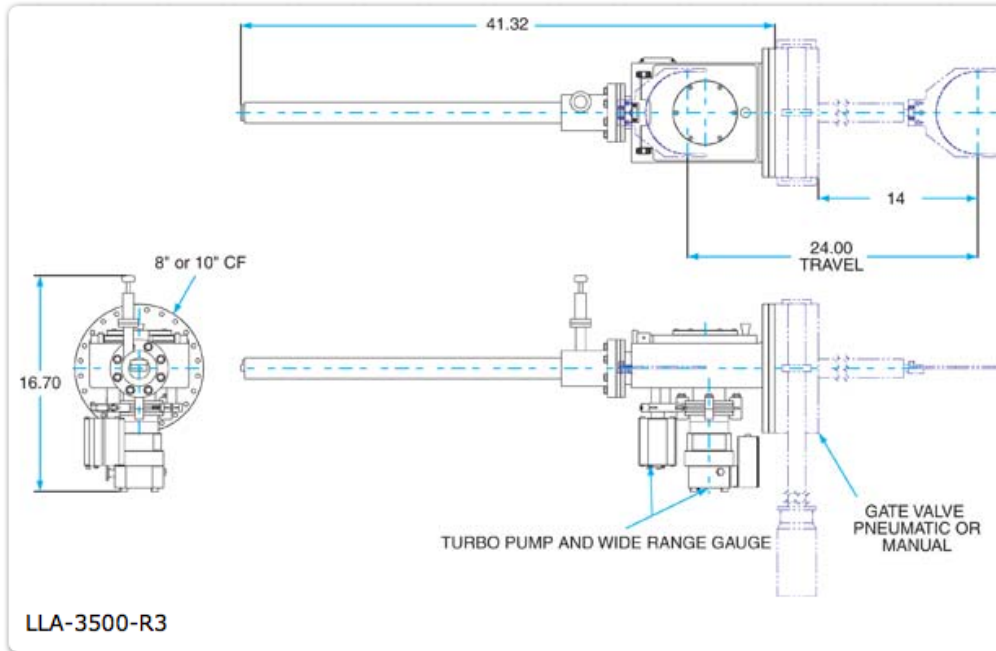
Figure 3-9. Deposition chamber configurations.

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Planar Load Lock Assemblies



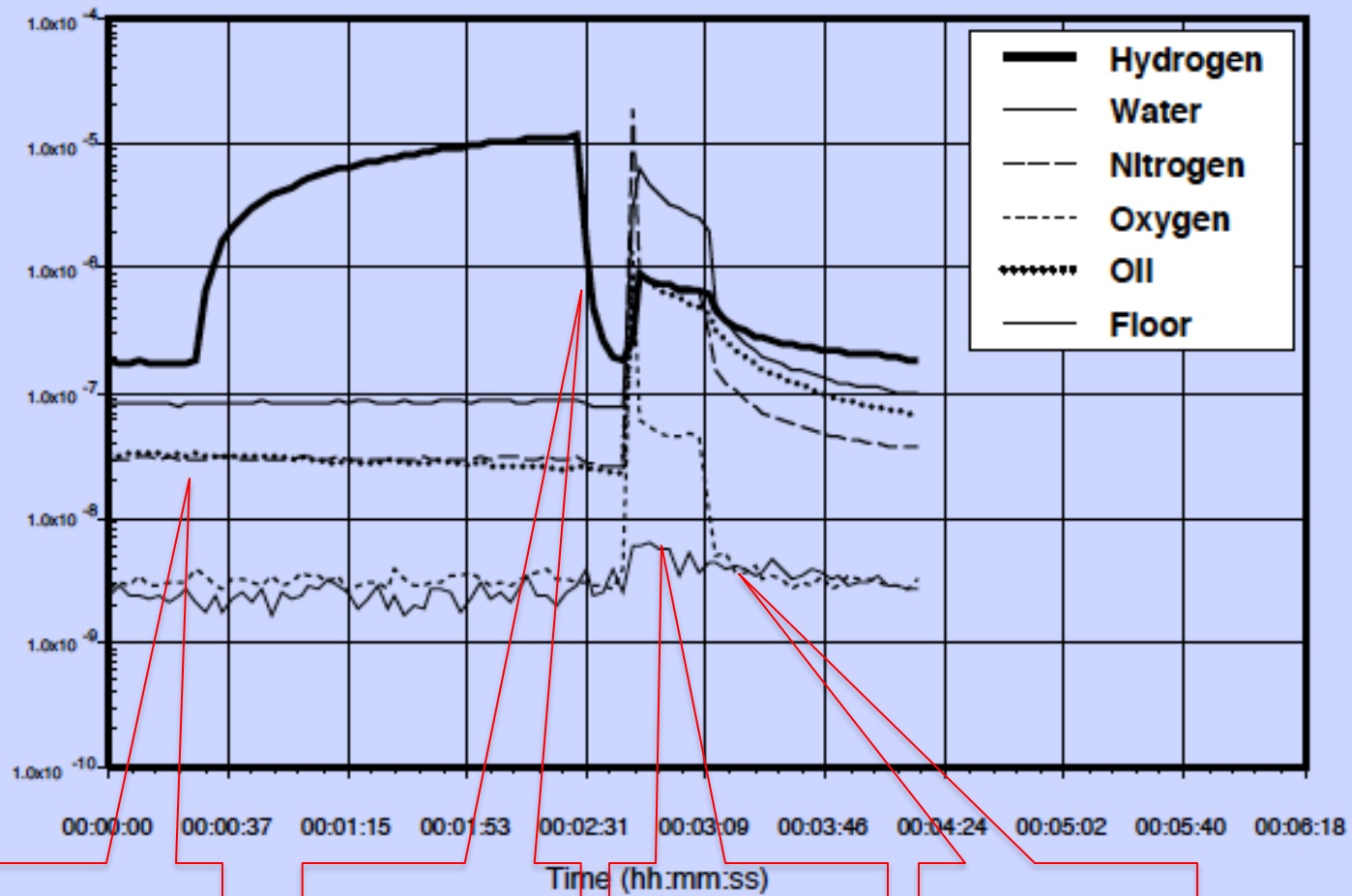
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- Connected to main chamber via gate valve
- transferring samples
- its volume can be pumped and vented without disturbing the main chamber pressure
- chamber clean from water vapor or other contaminant's
- increased sample throughput.
- Components
 - viewport
 - o-ringed door
 - ports for pumping and gauging

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Airlock Sequence



Turbo closed
pumping of
load lock

Turbo opened

gate valve
opened

gate valve
closed

Sputter cleaning effect

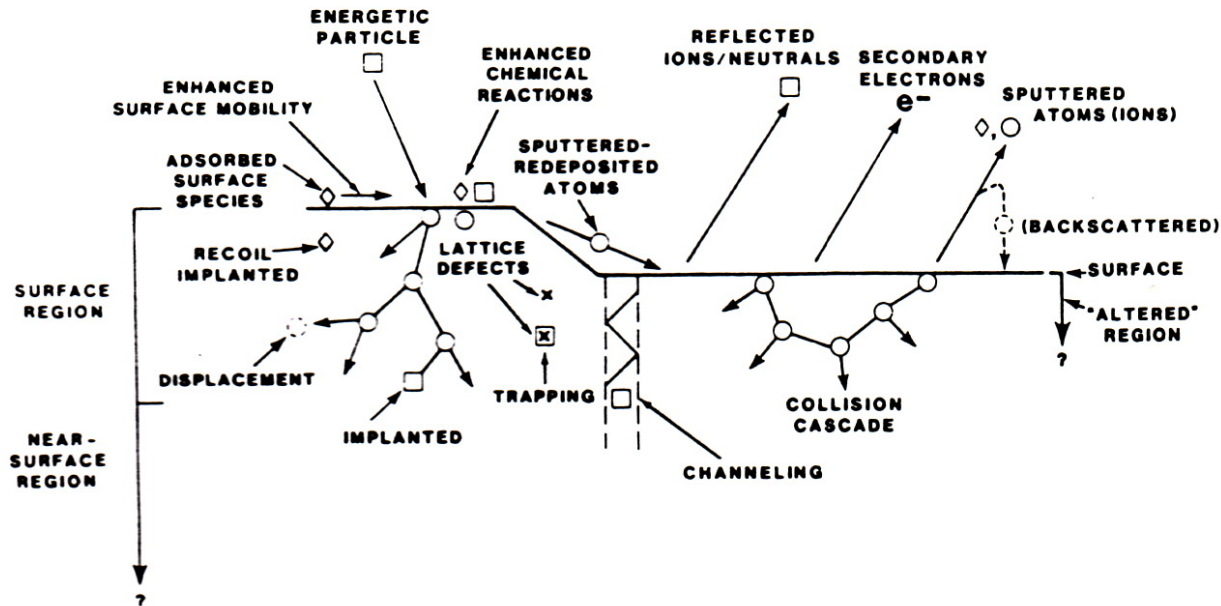
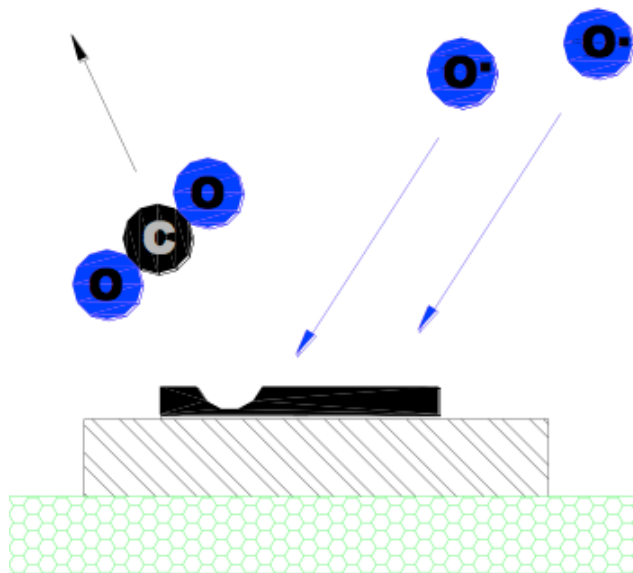


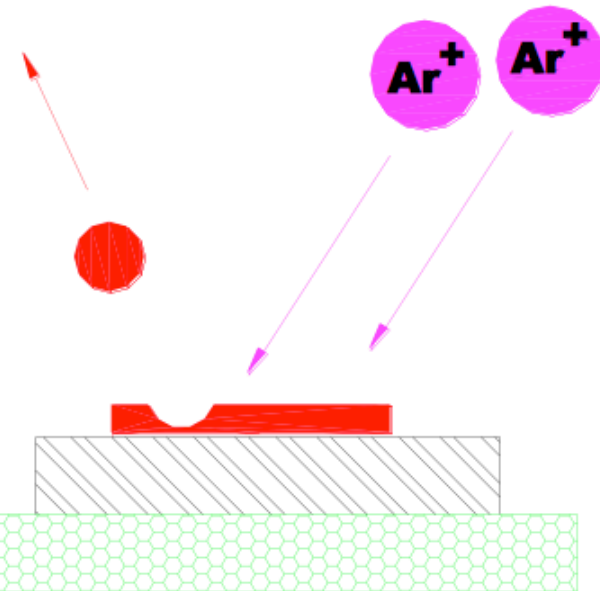
Figure 3.5. Schematic depiction of the energetic particle bombardment effects on surfaces and growing films.

Sputter cleaning using oxygen plasma or Ar-plasma

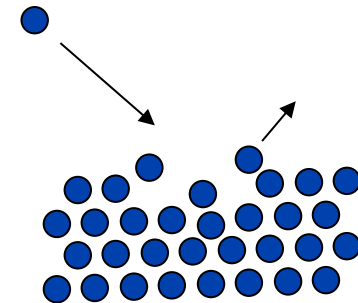
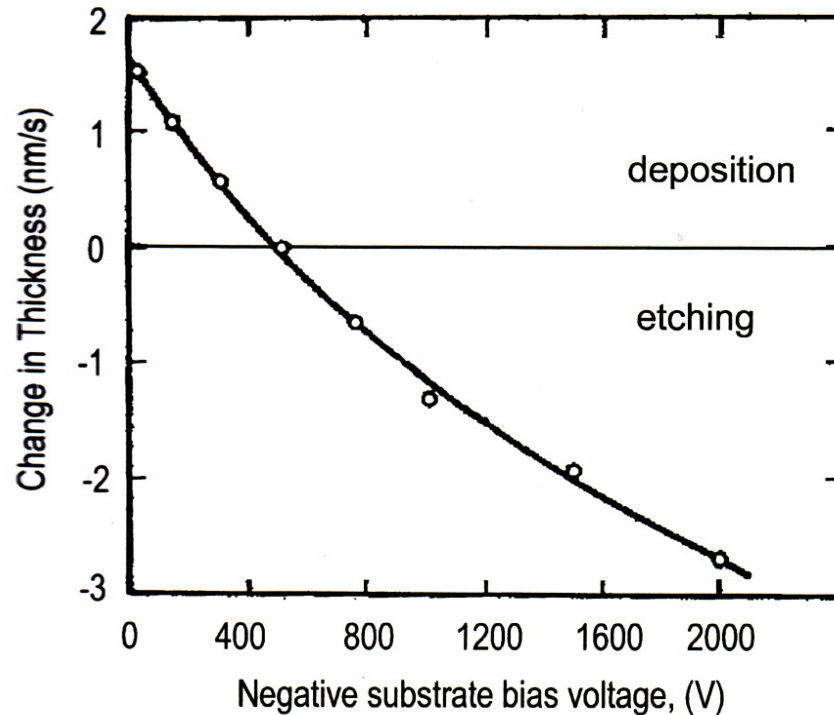
Oxygen Plasma Chemical Process Organic Removal



Argon Plasma Physical Process Sputtering



Self-sputtering of Ni ions



7. Rate of deposition or etching as a function of bias voltage for aluminum arc
(Adapted from [67])

Self sputtering of selected metals

Yield of self-sputtering

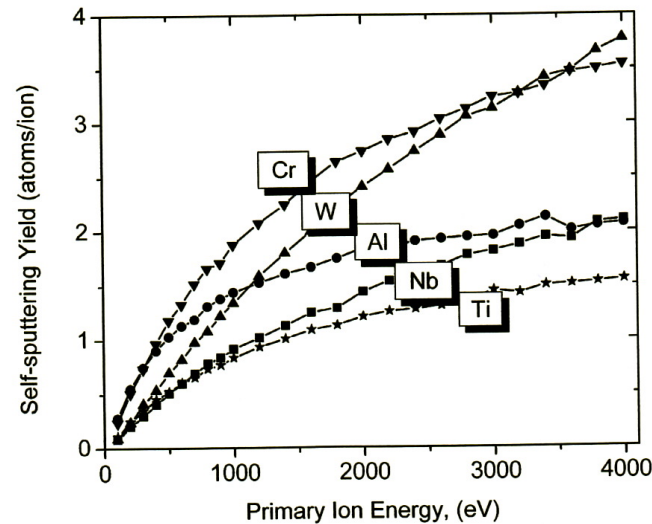
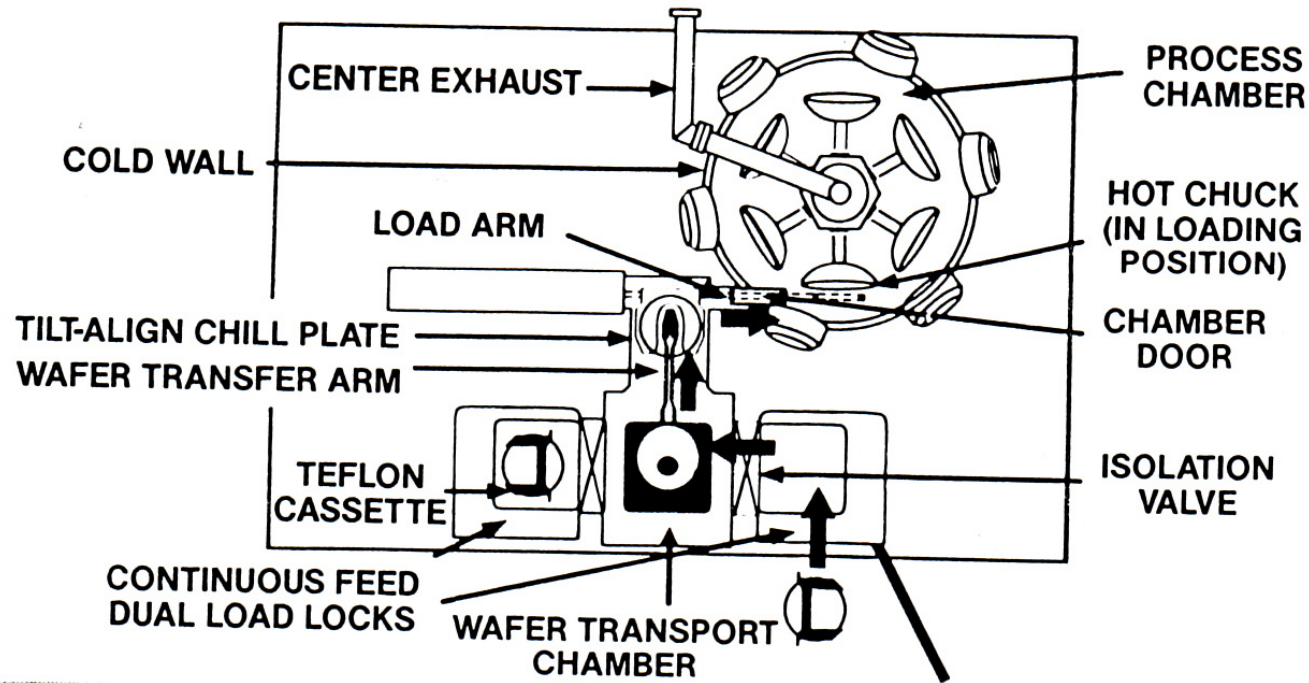


Fig. 8.16. Self-sputtering yield for selected metals as a function of ion energy (calculated by T-DYN Monte Carlo code; the apparent scatter is due to the statistics). The energy scale of up to 4 keV is quite appropriate considering the typical bias of 1 kV and the presence of multiply charged ions

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Isolated Chamber Layout and Backside/Edge Wafer Transfer System



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In-situ fabrication and characterization

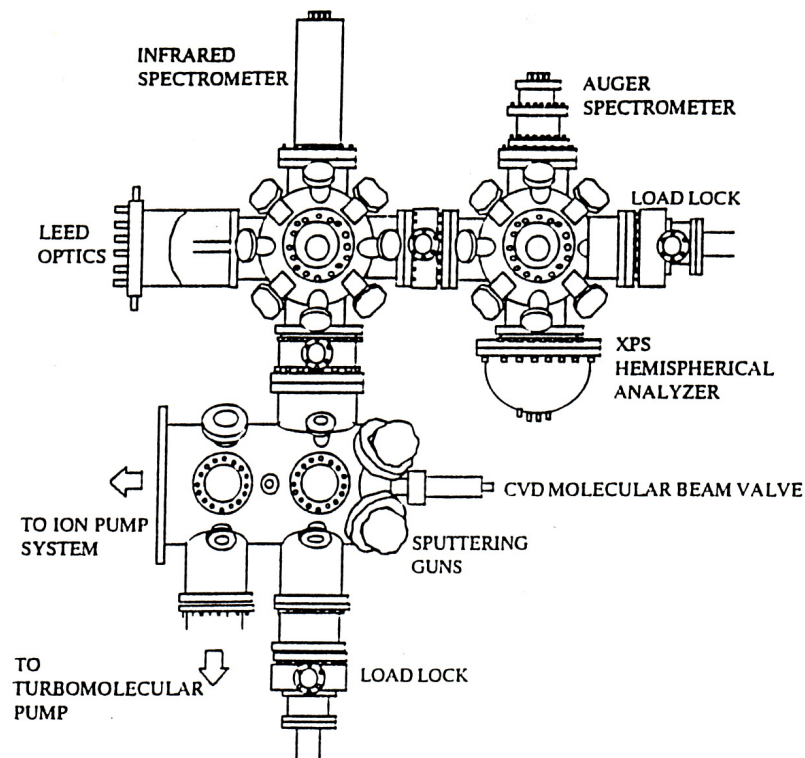


Figure 8.11. Top view of special dual-chamber system for in-situ fabrication and characterization. Courtesy of A. Kaloyeros, SUNY, Albany, NY.

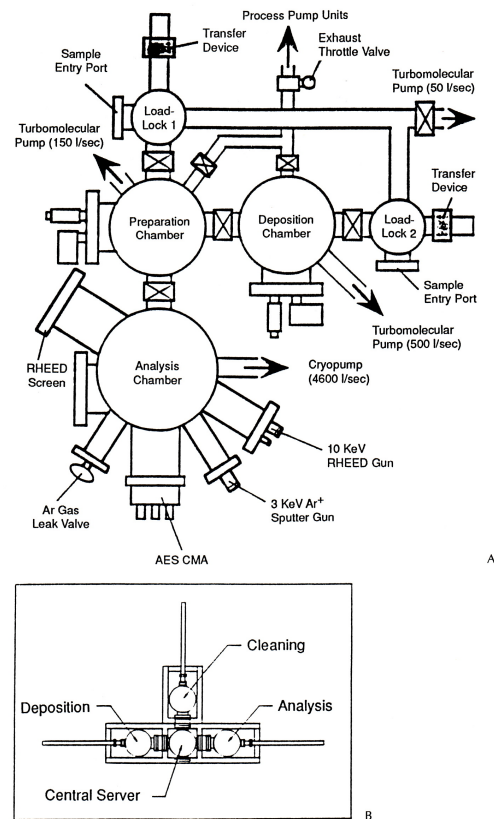


Figure 8.12. Schematic representations of multichamber integrated processing with chambers for substrate cleaning, remote PECVD deposition, and analysis (AES and RHEED or LEED). Both systems provide for substrate introduction into load-lock chambers. From Lučovský et al [21].

Schematic of in-situ UHV processing system

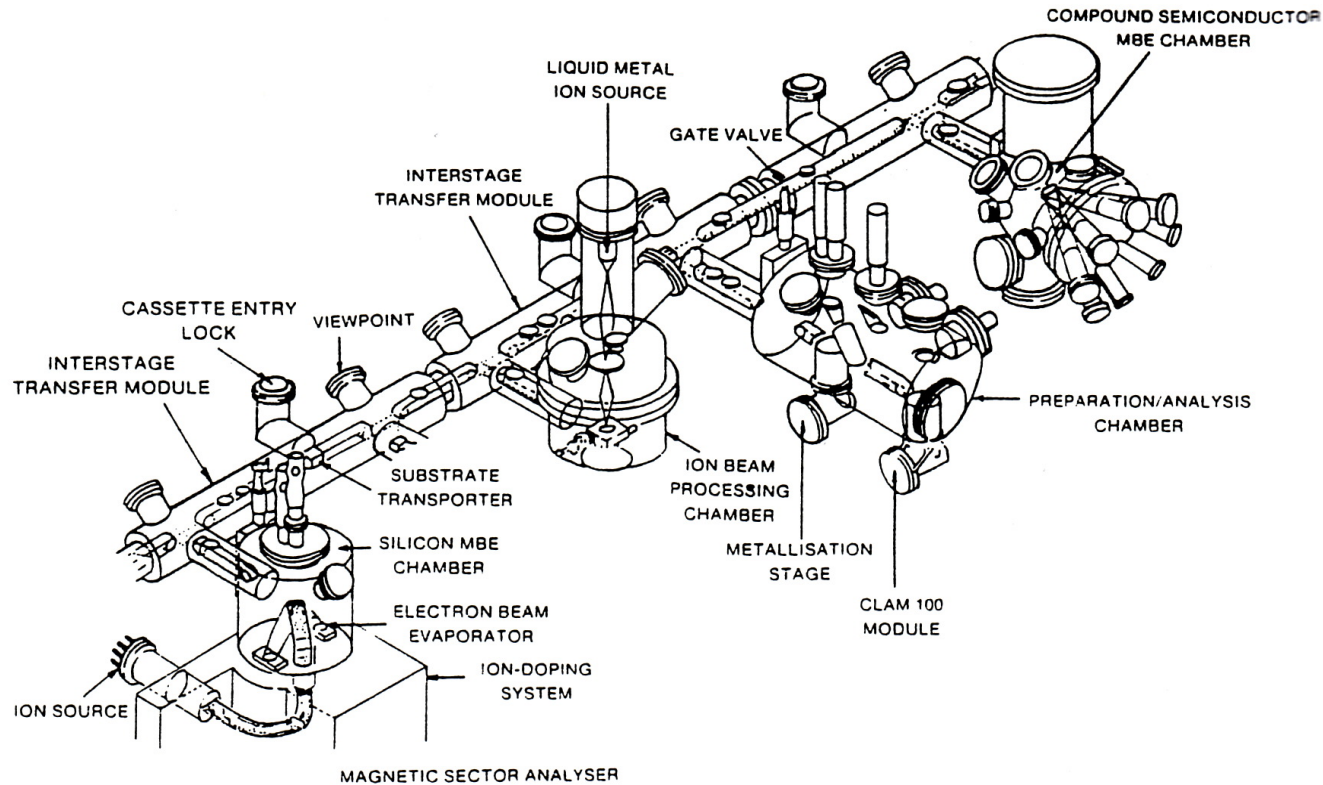


Figure 8.13. A schematic drawing of possible all-UHV in-situ processing system.

6 0 MBE system

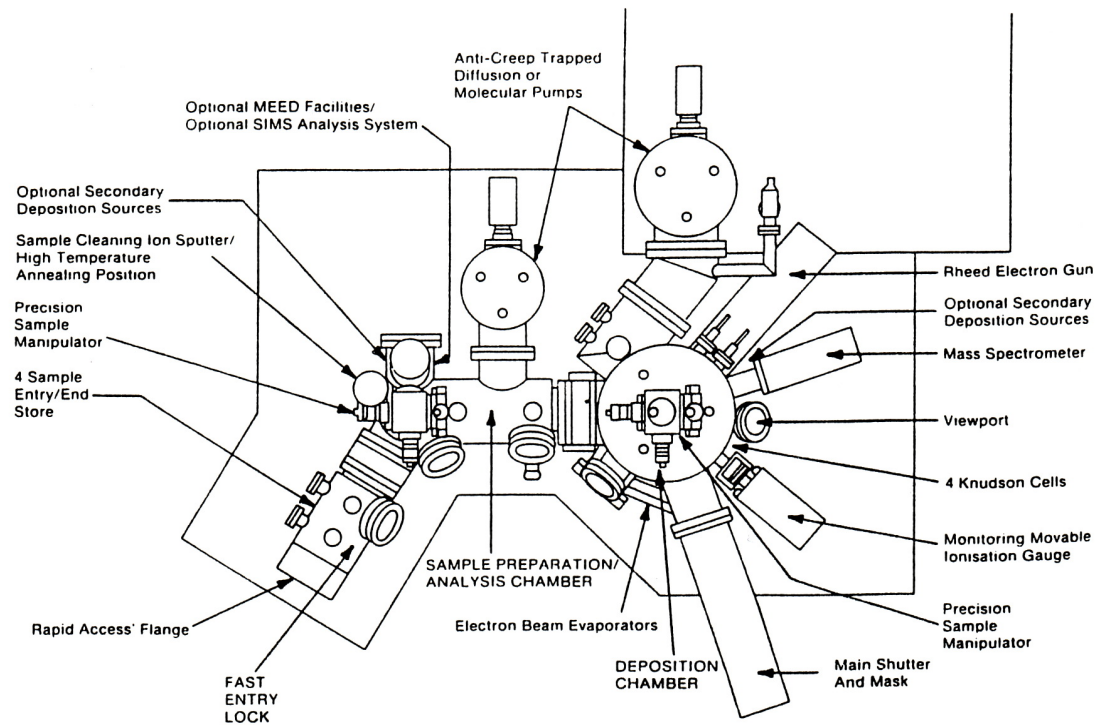


Figure 8.14. A typical sophisticated MBE system.

Vacuum system design

- Access—how large and heavy are the parts and fixturing?
- Do the parts need to have *in-situ* processing? e.g. outgassing, heating, plasma treatments, etc.
- System cleaning—is there a lot of debris generated in the process? Does the debris fall into critical areas such as valve sealing surfaces? How often will system cleaning be necessary?
- Cycle time for the system—production rate.
- How often do fixtures and tooling need to be changed?
- Is the processing sensitive to the processing environment?
- Sophistication of the operators—operator training.
- Maintenance.
- Safety aspects—high voltage, interlocks.
- Fail safe design—short or long power outages, water failure.
- Environmental concerns—exhaust to the atmosphere, traps.