

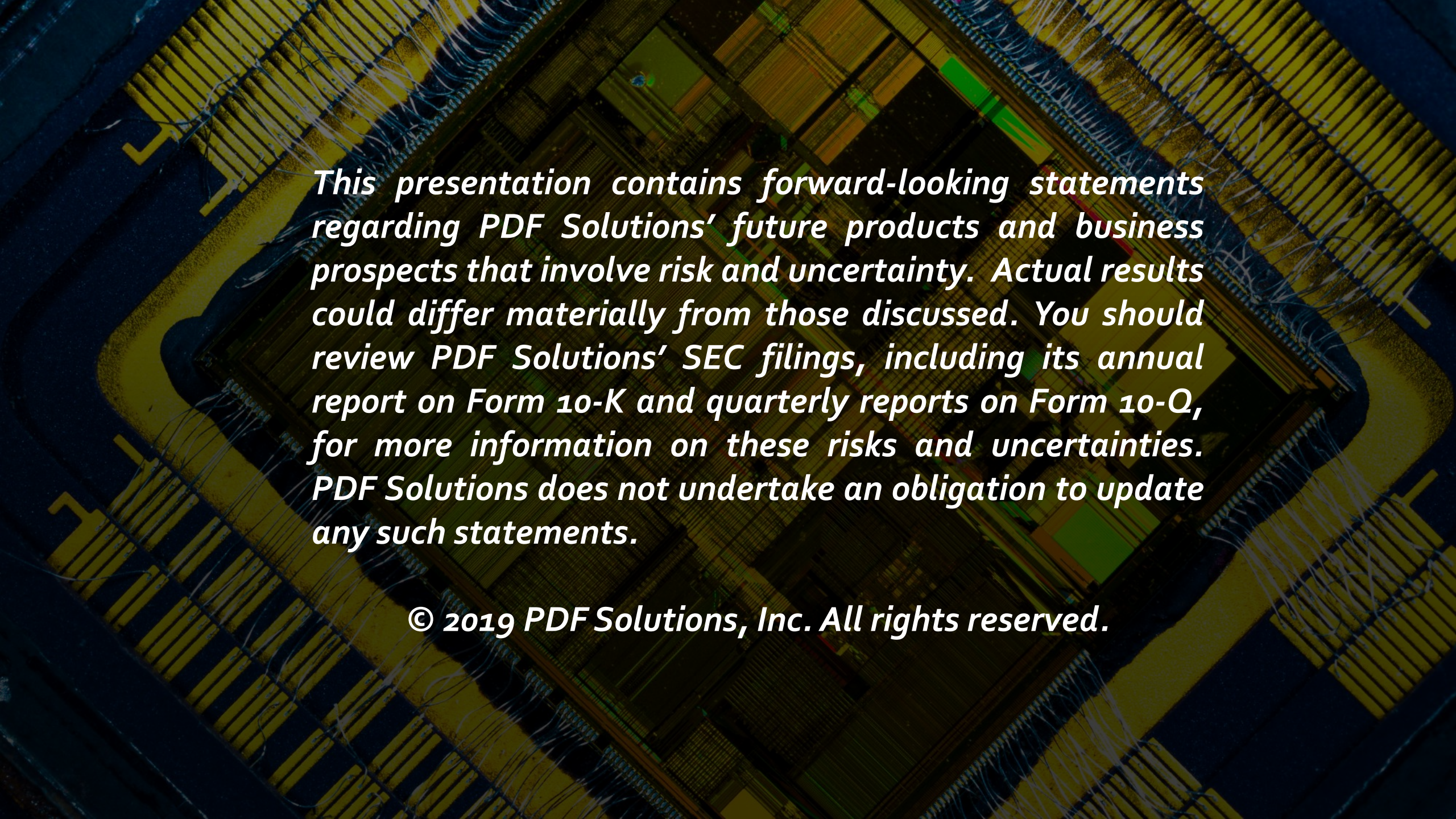
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S1.5A – PDF Overview

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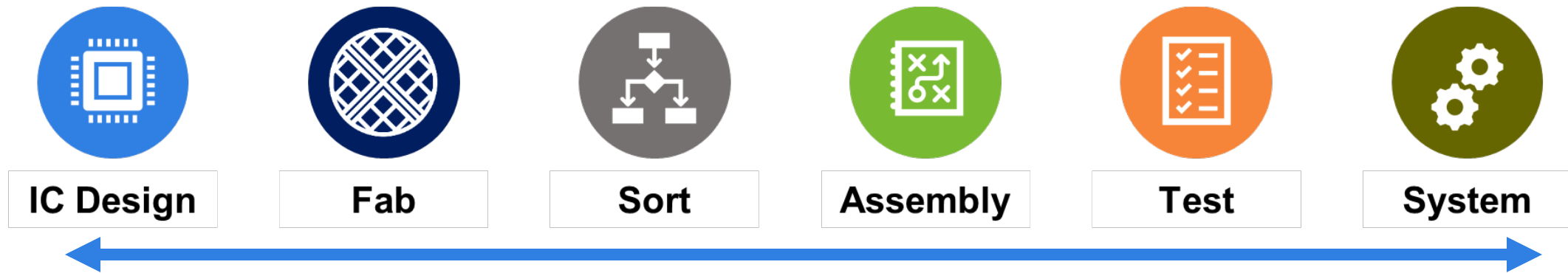
A microscopic view of a circuit board, showing a central square chip with a grid of gold-colored traces. The chip is surrounded by a dense network of fine, parallel lines, likely representing the board's internal wiring or components. The overall color palette is dominated by dark blues and greens, with the gold traces providing a sharp contrast.

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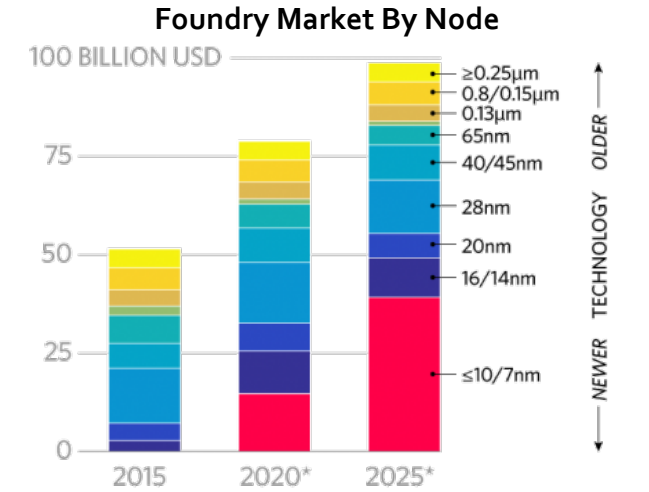
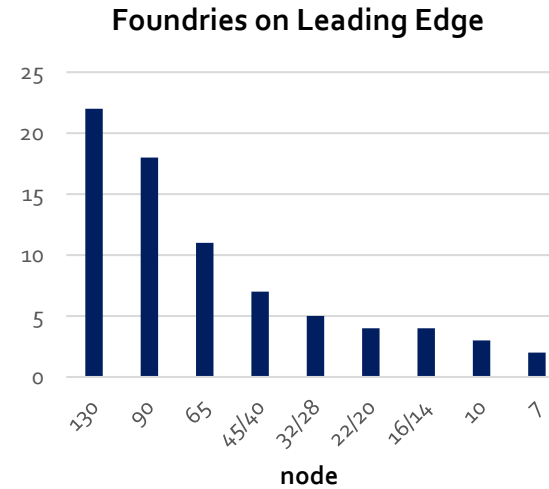
- PDF is an analytics company that improves process efficiency and product reliability for the semiconductor supply chain
- PDF uniquely provides:
 - An end-to-end big data analytics solution designed to meet the needs of the semiconductor value chain
 - Differentiated data obtained during manufacturing, test, and in-field use from IP integrated into semiconductor devices



Value Shifting to Mass Production



www.techrepublic.com/article/moores-law-is-dead-three-predictions-about-the-computers-of-tomorrow



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○ Trends:

- Moore's Law is slowing down, and foundry business is consolidating due to process complexity
- Percentage of foundry market in finFET nodes expected to continue to grow

○ Implications:

- Increased value in mass production continuous improvement vs. time to market
- Financial risk shifting away from foundry to fabless & system companies

OSAT Role in Supply Chain Increasing

Move to chiplets ...

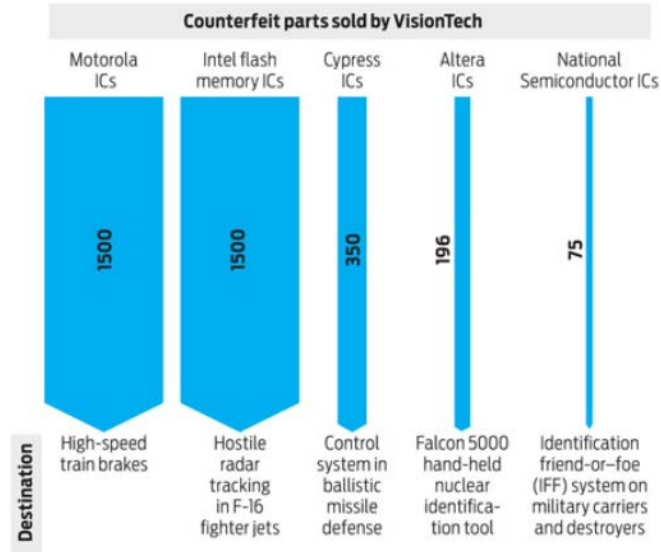


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Increases risk of security and counterfeits

A Case Study in Fake Chips

In 2010 the United States prosecuted its first case against a counterfeit-chip broker. The company, VisionTech, sold thousands of fake chips, many of which were destined for military products.



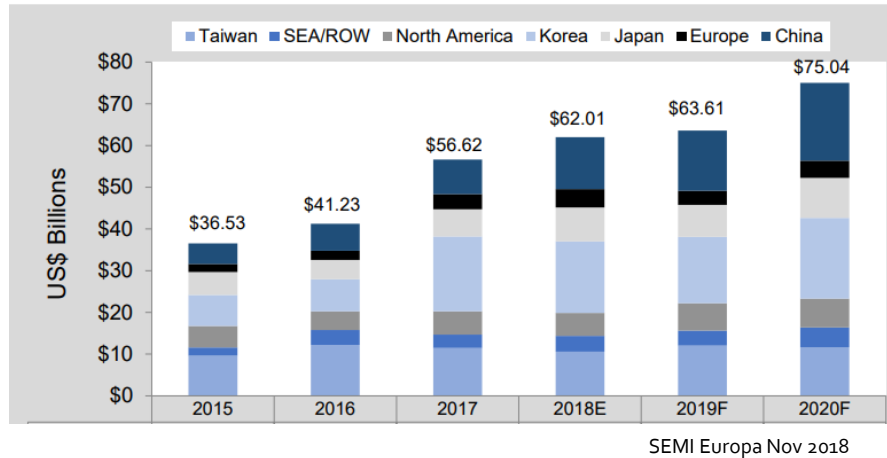
Source: Sentencing memo, *United States of America v. Stephanie A. McCloskey*, filed 7 September 2011

- Increase in analytics need at OSATs due to growth in system-in-package (SiP) and chiplet usage

- Growing need for
 - Process control
 - Traceability for security, quality and reliability monitoring / diagnosis
 - Known-good die metrics to ensure final SiP achieves specifications

Market Growth is with Fabless/System, Asia

Semi equipment by market region



Reliability: growing fabless/system issue



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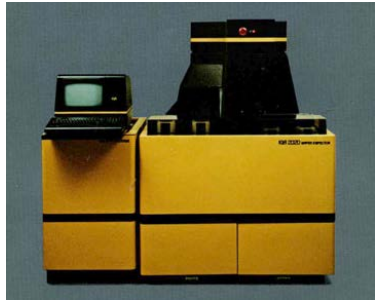
- Foundry growth and capex spend continues its shift to Asia, particularly China

- More responsibility for good die lies with fabless / system companies

- Increase in failures due to power / performance / reliability
- Consolidation in foundry market leads to little differentiation in process capability

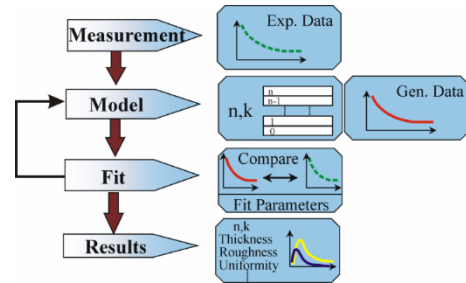
Value Shift to Analytics

KLA 2020 (1984)



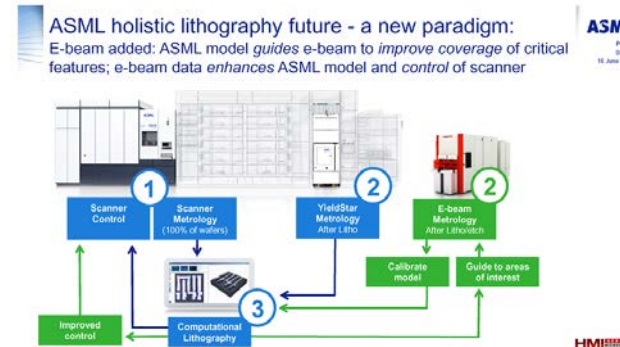
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Software-aided metrology

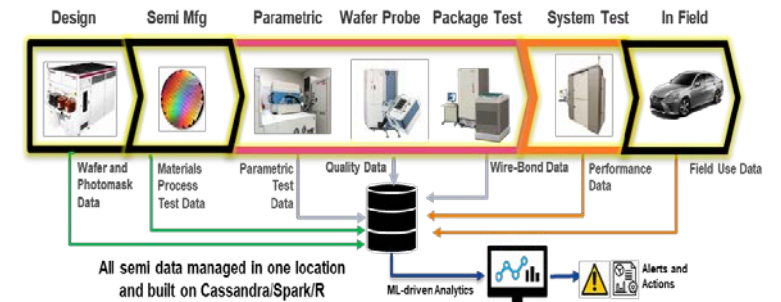


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In fab analytics



Cross-supply chain analytics



Time

Complexity of scaling has driven increased need and value in analytics

o **Yesterday:**

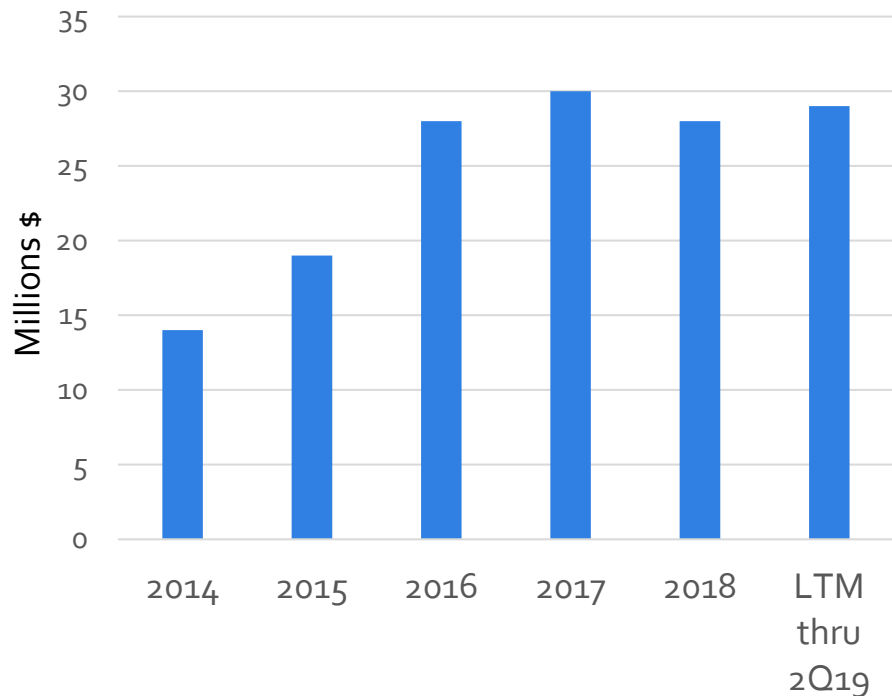
- Hardware first directly measured structures
- Software then needed to interpret direct measurements

o **Today:** Process control analytics in fab combining multiple data sources

o **Next:** Cross-supply chain analytics incorporating data from multiple suppliers

PDF Has Invested Ahead to Serve The Industry

PDF R&D Investment



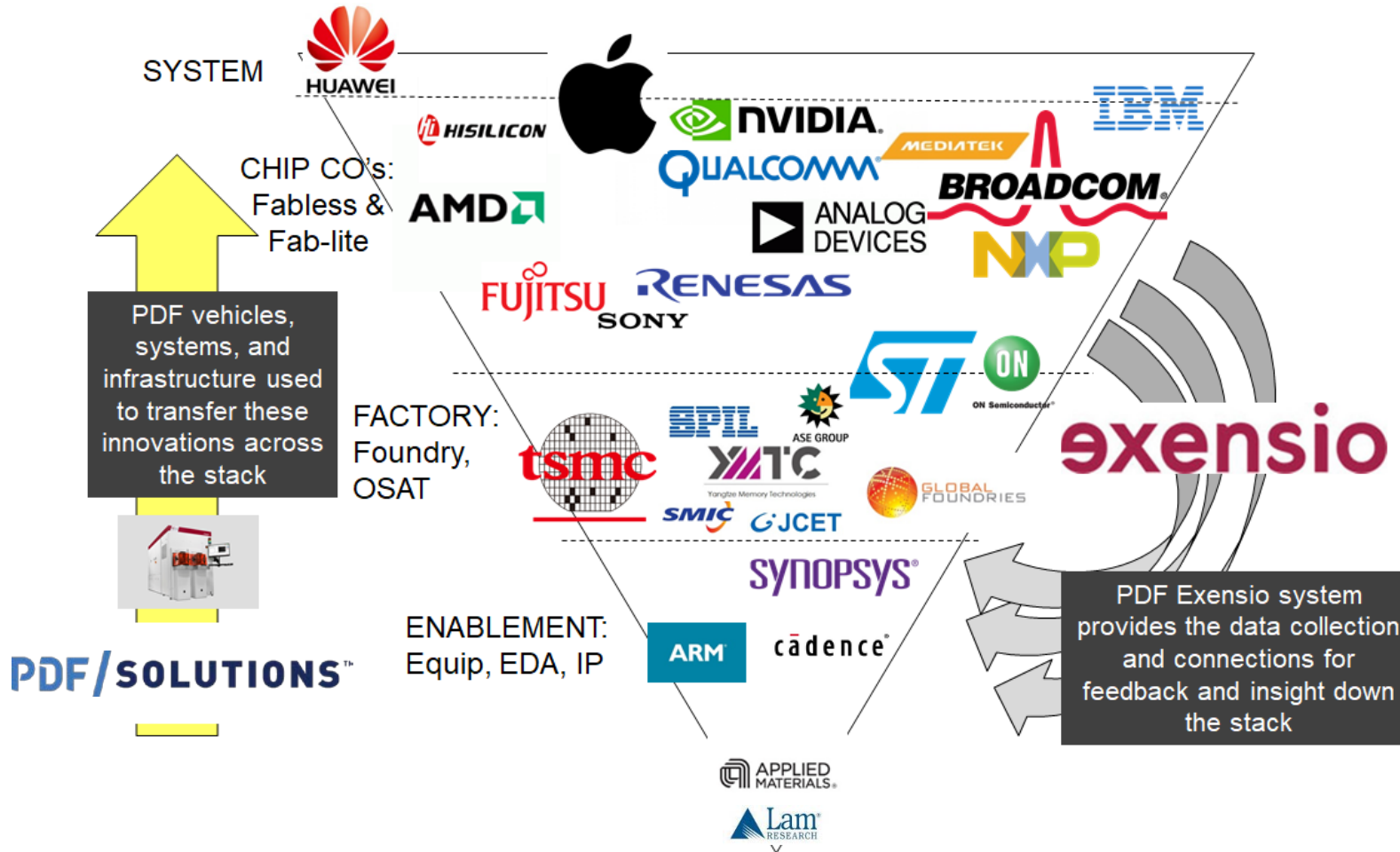
Since 2015

4 acquisitions

\$43.6M capex investment

- Since 2015 PDF has increased investment to be well positioned for the Post-Moore's Law era
- Investment & acquisitions in analytics to span the supply chain with advanced capability
- Investment in differentiated electrical data important to our customers
 - To achieve yield, quality, reliability requirements

Today PDF Bridges the Supply Chain Stack

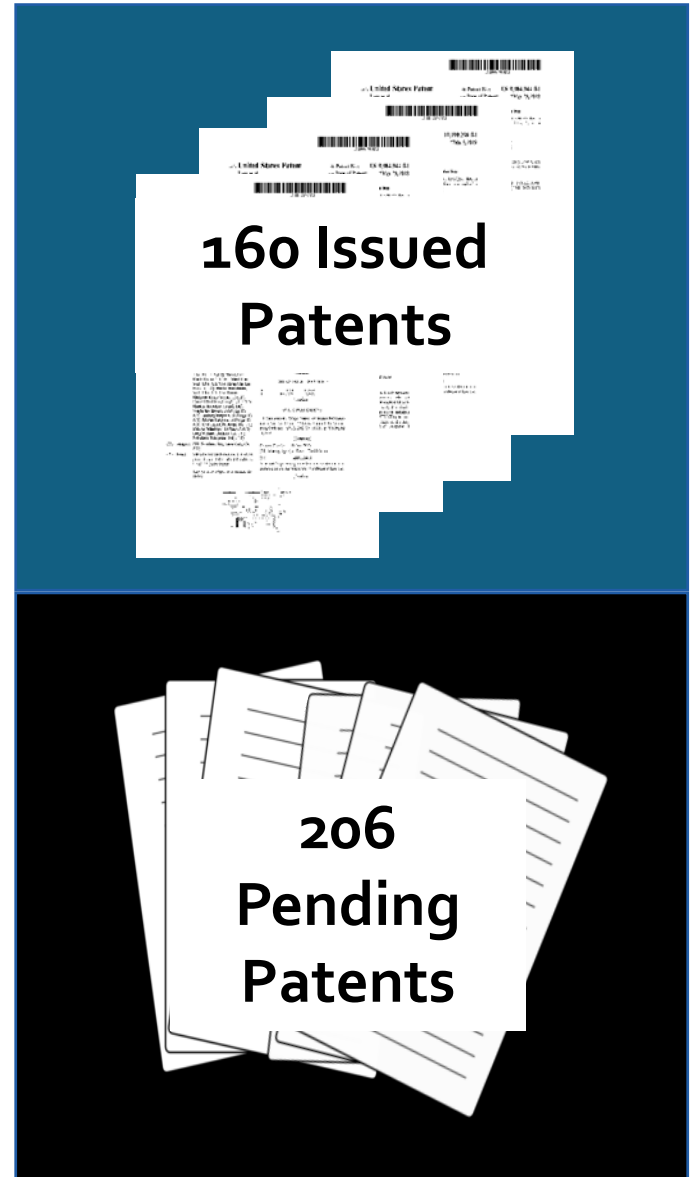


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- PDF analytics and data implemented broadly across the supply chain
- PDF continues to increase our established relationships with critical industry members
- PDF is the only commercial analytics-focused provider with breadth and scale required by our customers

Investment Results in Strong Patent Position

- Our investments in analytics & differentiated data result in a strong and growing patent position
- Patents based on 28 years of know-how in semiconductor development and mass production
- Key patents in areas of:
 - Design for inspection and CV structures for advanced nodes
 - Electrical characterization
 - AI/ML technology



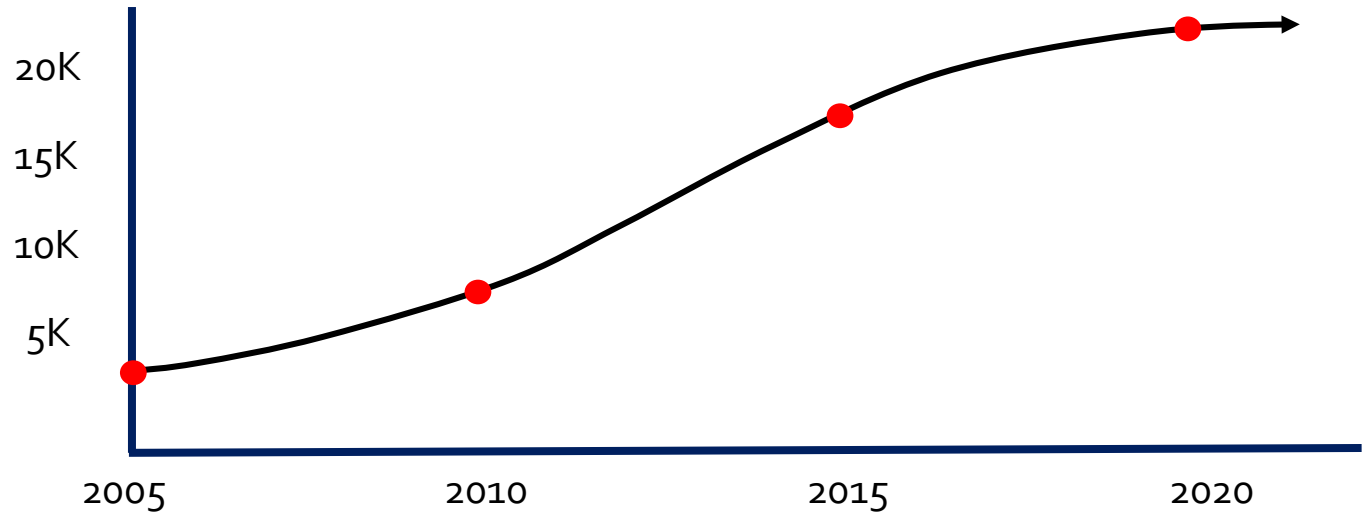
Broadest Integration With Leading Manufacturing Tools



>24K process tools under PDF process control across the ecosystem



#1 commercial, comprehensive solution for manufacturing yield and control



Process tools are continually added to this list based on customer demand

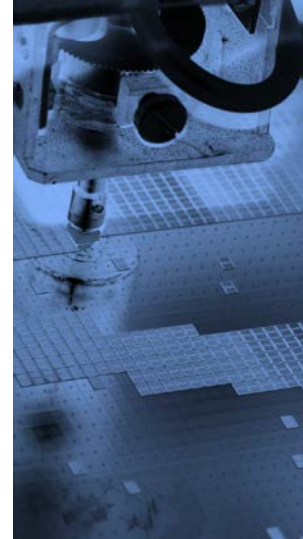
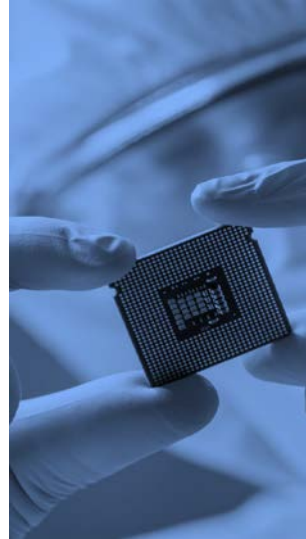


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Leading Commercial Solution for Single Die Traceability



Leading commercial solution for semiconductor die traceability through the supply chain



Assembly and Packaging Equipment

- Wire Bonding
- Die Attach
- Die Feeder
- Singulation
- Stud Bumper
- Laser Mark
- Strip Test
- Inspection
- Auto Wire Checker

~50 vendors
>150 equipment models



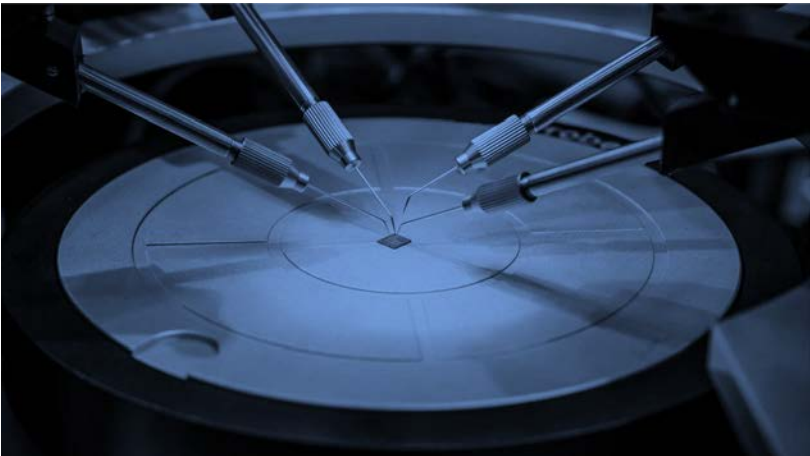
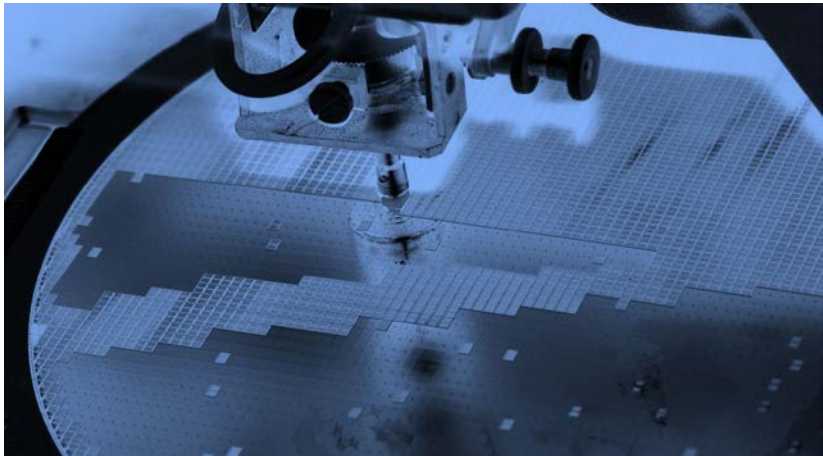
Assembly/packaging tools are continually added to this list based on customer demand

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Robust Support for Manufacturing Test Operations Equipment



Support for all major tester, prober and handler vendors

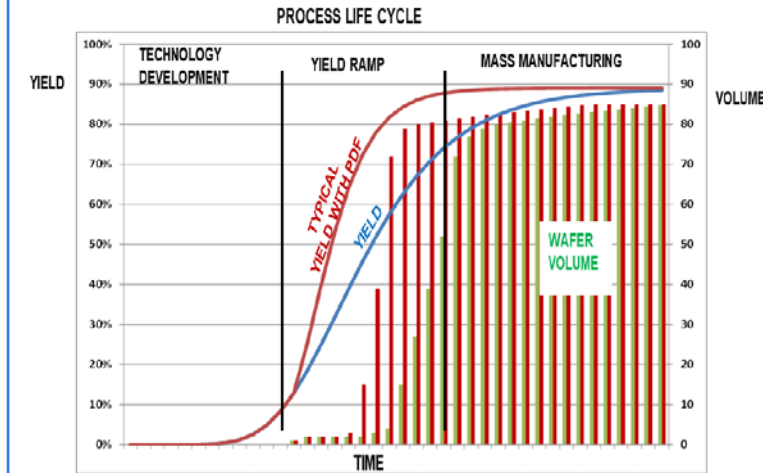


Test operations vendors/tools are continually added to this list based on customer demand

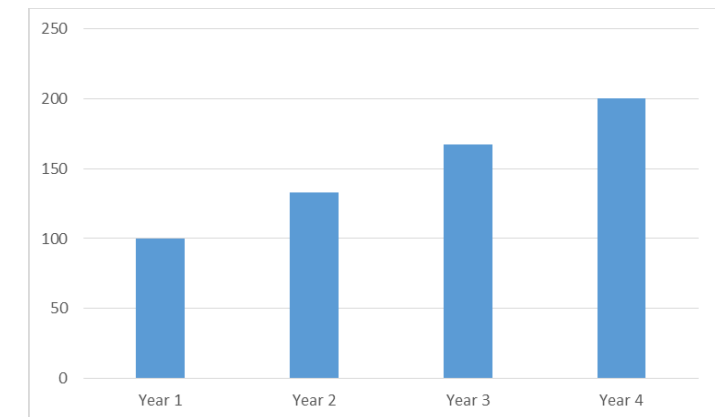
PDF Business Models

- PDF has always provided solutions combining advanced analytics and differentiated data
- PDF has two business models to capture the value of our solutions
- Gainshare model: when value is time to volume
 - In competitive foundry market, time to mass production is critical.
 - The variable fee royalty model enables PDF to be compensated based on measurable value delivered
- Subscription model: when value is data
 - During mass production, use of our solutions by customer engineers enables continuous improvement and monitoring of yield and reliability
 - Subscription model enables PDF to be compensated based on usage

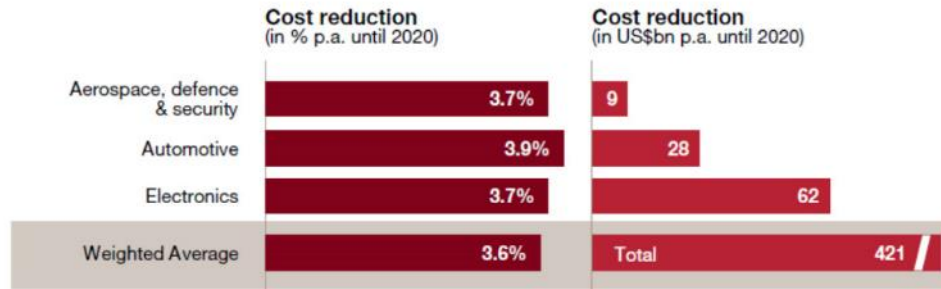
Gainshare model value



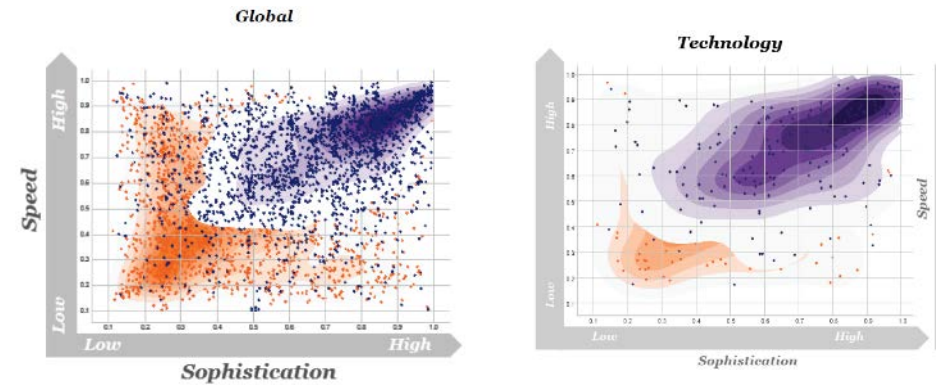
Subscriptions grow ARR over time



Data and Analytics Growing in Importance



High-tech sectors will see a greater percentage of cost reductions than average and represent nearly a fourth of the total revenue reductions tracked.



Companies moving to faster decision speed with greater sophistication, especially in tech. sector.



Only half of companies today place a high importance on data analytics, but 83% expect that it will be a core competence in five years.

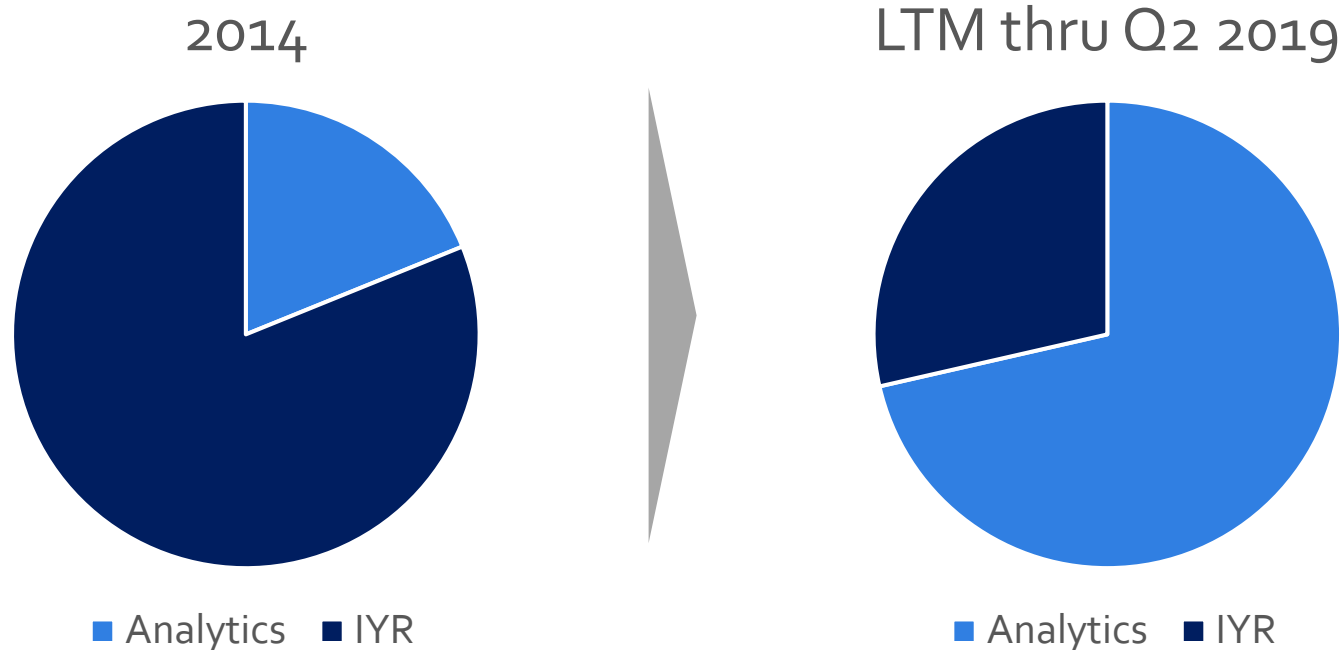


Number of companies with “highly digitized” functional groups expected to double over next 5 years.

Source: PwC – Industry 4.0 Building your digital enterprise

Shift In Predominant Business Model

Revenue not including Gainshare

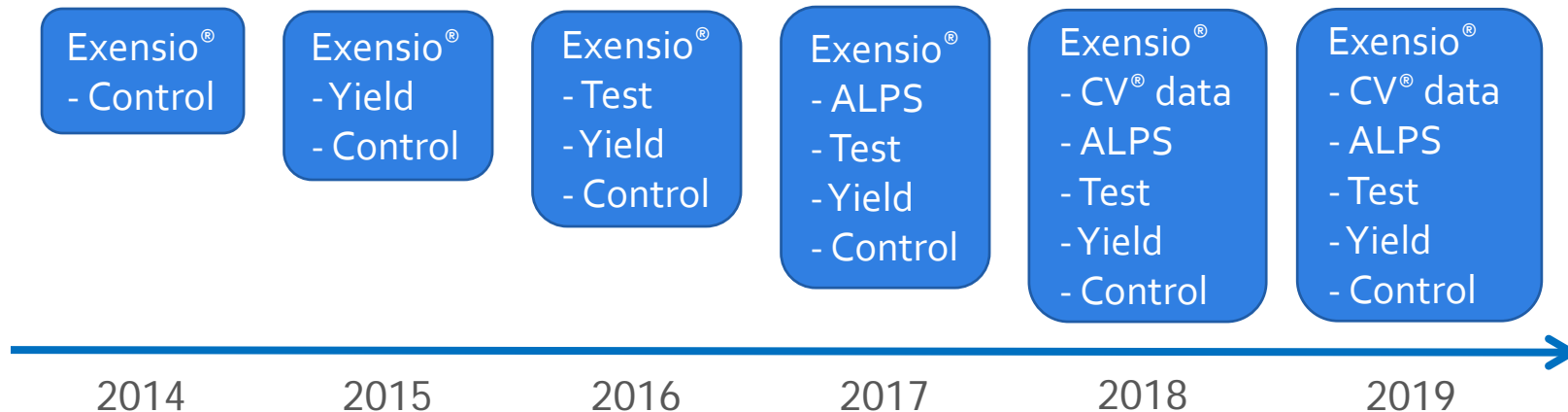


- As value shifts from foundry yield ramp to mass production ...
- ... PDF's business has shifted to the subscription business model

Migrating Usage of PDF IP and Business Model

- Example: Former IYR customer
 - Stopped leading node development at 28nm
 - Present analytics customer

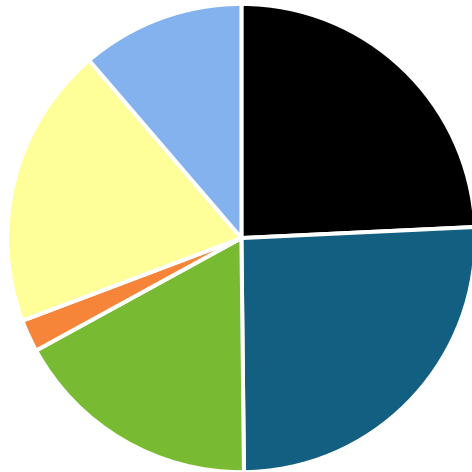
- Bookings since 2014: >\$15M



- Historical yield ramp customers are now analytics customers on subscription model
- Applying more PDF IP over broader user base
- PDF capability valued for improvements in mass production operations and capability

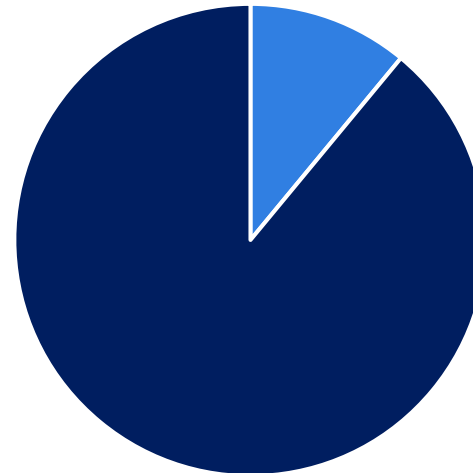
Shift In Customer Base

Geographic Distribution



■ North America ■ EMEA
■ Mainland China ■ Japan
■ Taiwan ■ Asia Other

Pct. Customers that are Foundries



■ Foundry ■ Other

- As challenges shift to mass production and electrical issues ...
- Fabless / design & system companies responsibilities and analytics requirements increase
- PDF's customer base has shifted with these trends

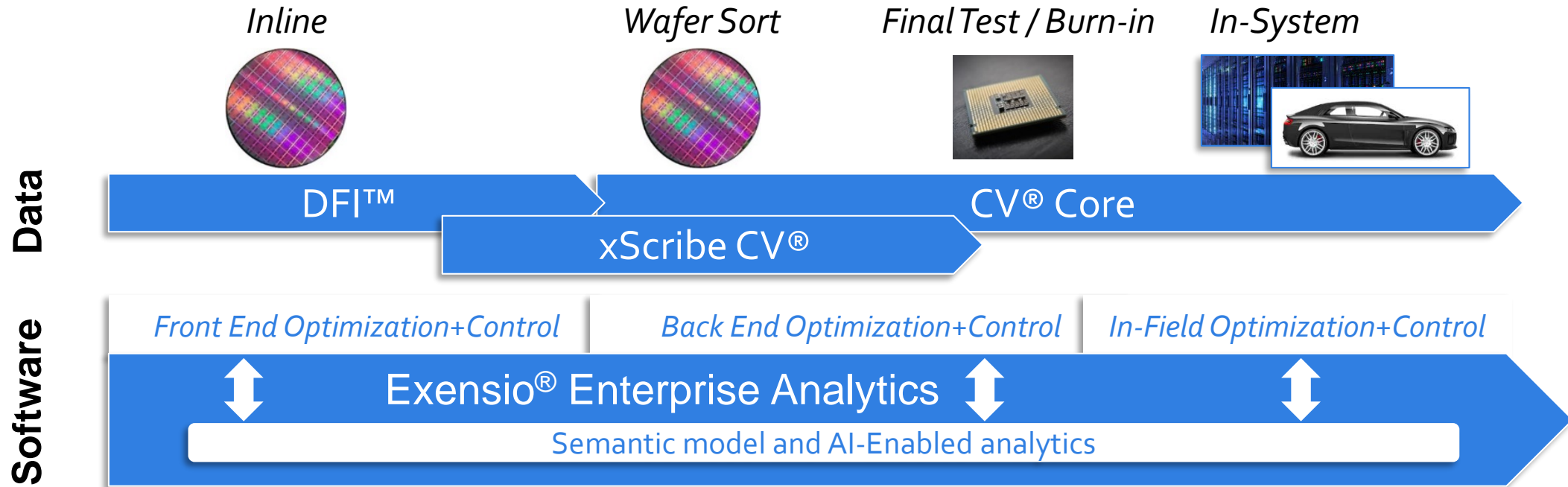
PDF Growth Within Clients

- Example fabless customer:

	2015	Today
Products:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exensio[®] Yield	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exensio[®] Yield• Advanced Analytics• Exensio[®] Test• ALPS traceability
Annual revenue:	\$X	\$6.4X

- As value and need for analytics increases across the semiconductor supply chain ...
- PDF is positioned to increase products and solutions provided to our customers
 - Through breadth of products and solutions
 - As trusted partner on which to standardize

Analytics Growth From PDF Investment

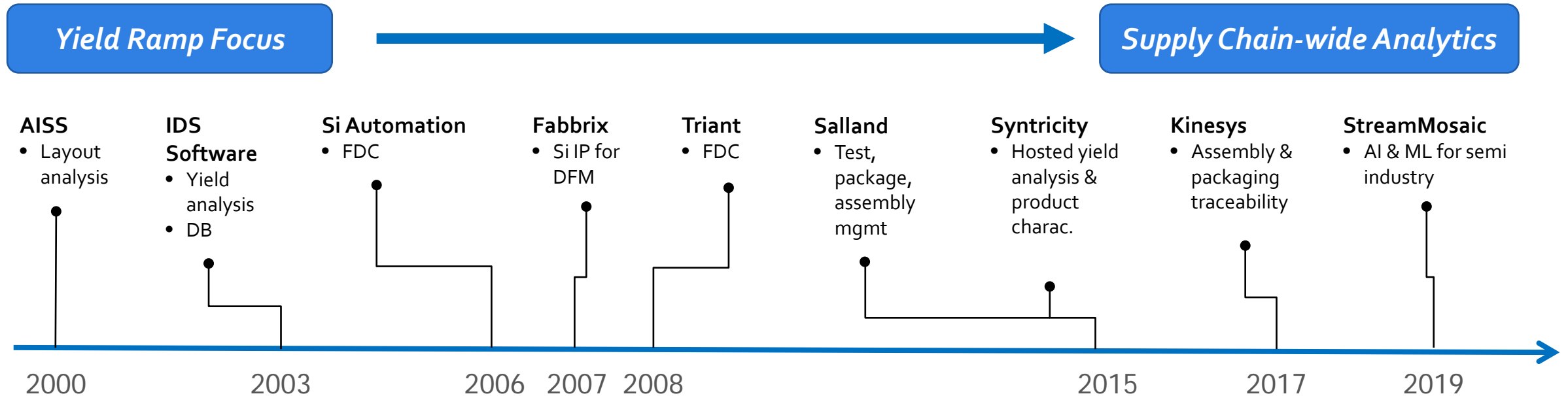


PDF will continue to:

- Expand across the semiconductor supply chain
- Increase customer use and value from our IP
- Increase our analytics revenue

As a direct result of investments we have made and continue to make

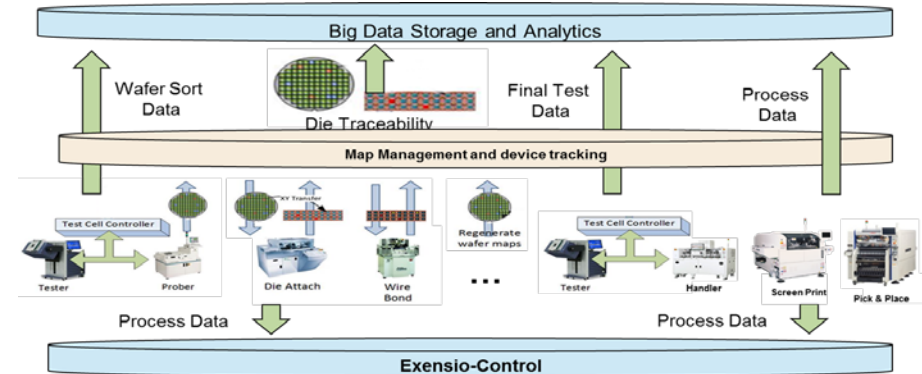
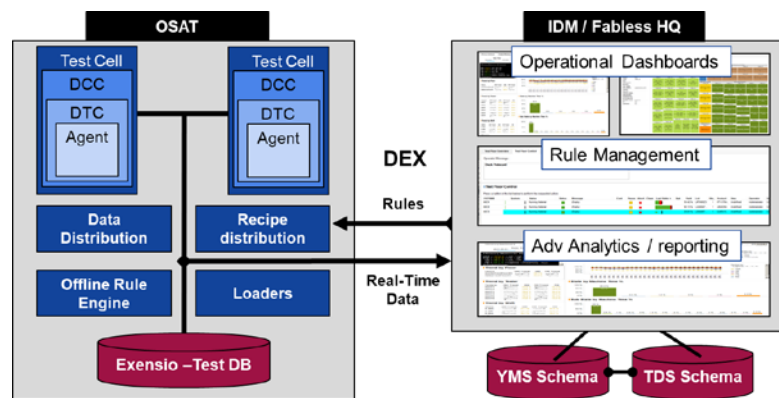
PDF Acquisitions Have Been Key Component to Expansion



- Acquisitions combined with our R&D have resulted in analytics capability serving fab, OSAT, IDM, and fabless
- The result is a broader customer base and TAM

Return on M&A

- PDF's ecosystem enables us to distribute new capabilities to our customers
- M&A can enable us to grow our subscription business and provide a good return on our assets
- Examples (total bookings vs. purchase price):
 - Salland (2015) return on investment: 4,100%
 - Kinesys (2017) return on investment: 101%



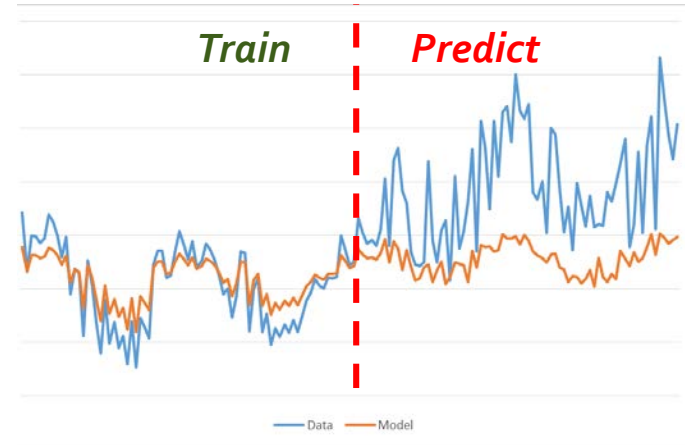
Machine Learning – Necessary, Not Sufficient

MacPaint did not make everyone a successful artist



Kimon Michaels

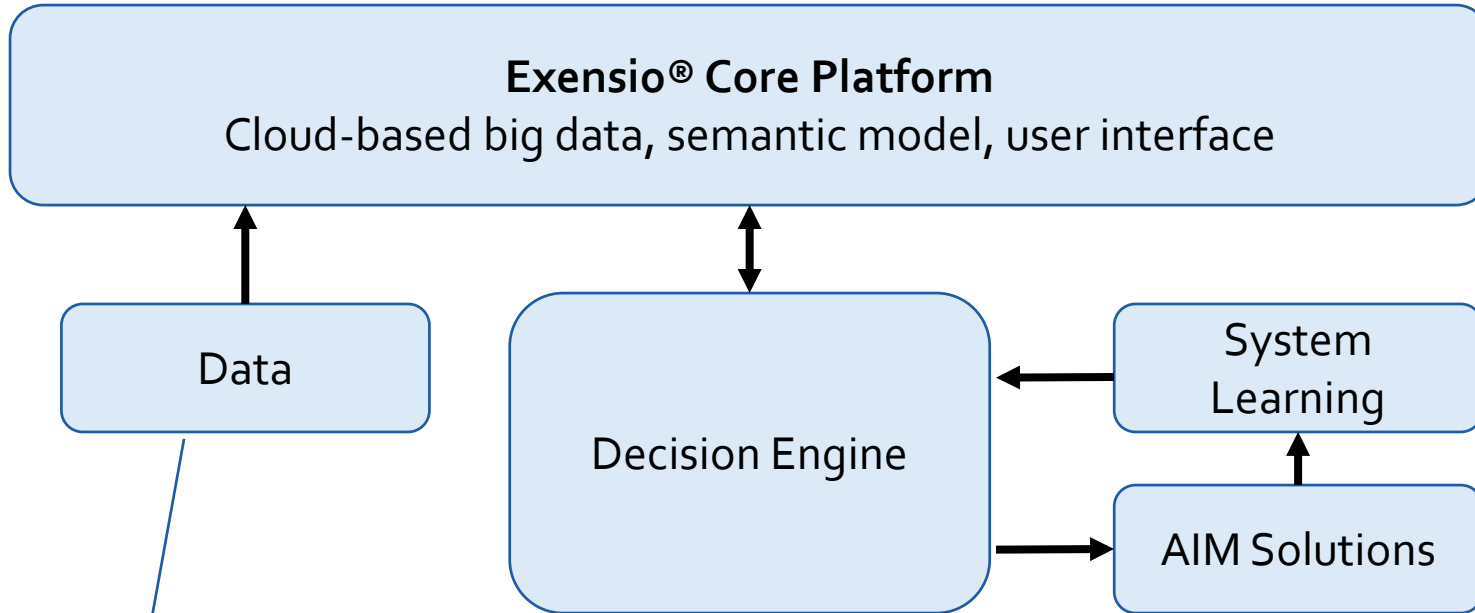
... nor does ML make every model successful



- Machine learning (ML) aides in determining associative relationships in data sets
- ML alone is insufficient to solve challenges in the semiconductor supply chain
 - Semiconductor data is messy and temporal
 - Analytics usage must be broader than just data scientists to be effective
- **PDF continues to invest in requirements to achieve effective solutions**

Investment Focus

3. Leverage cloud scalability



1. "... work back to whether there's the data you need, and how you collect it"

Andrew Moore, head of Google Cloud AI

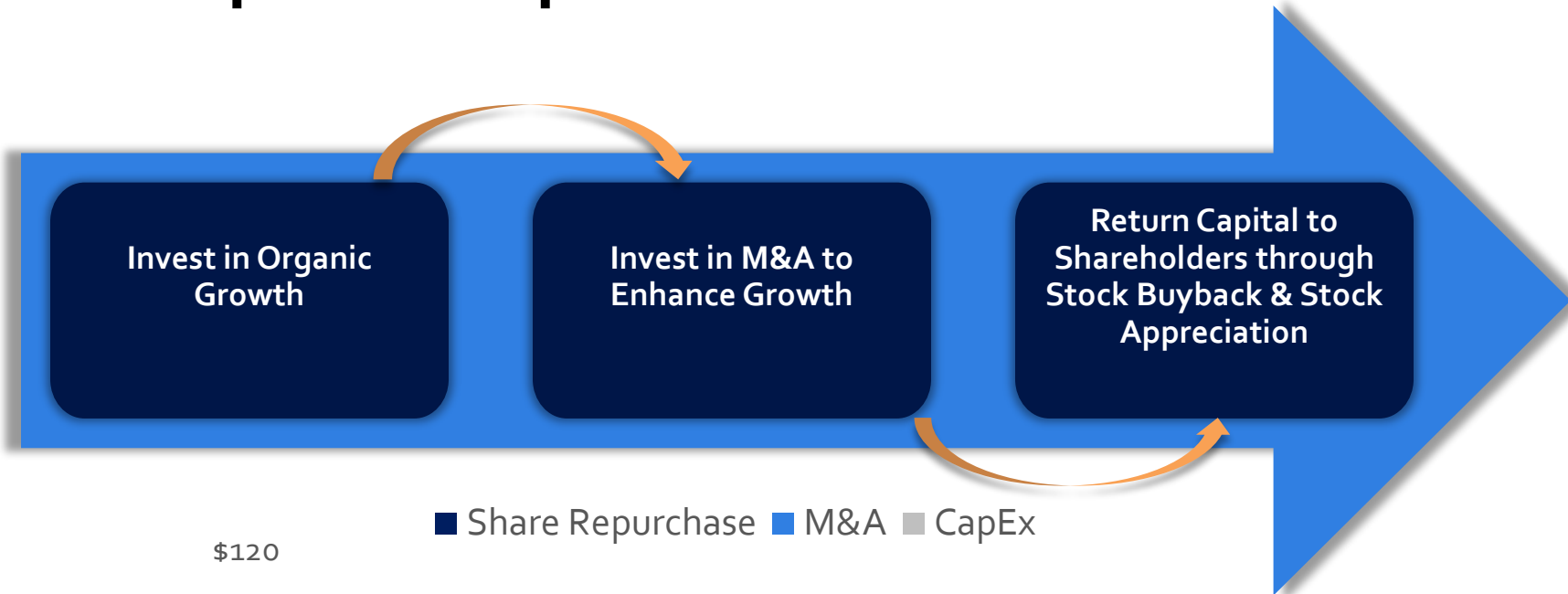
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2. AI to leverage experience of organization, not just limited number of data scientists

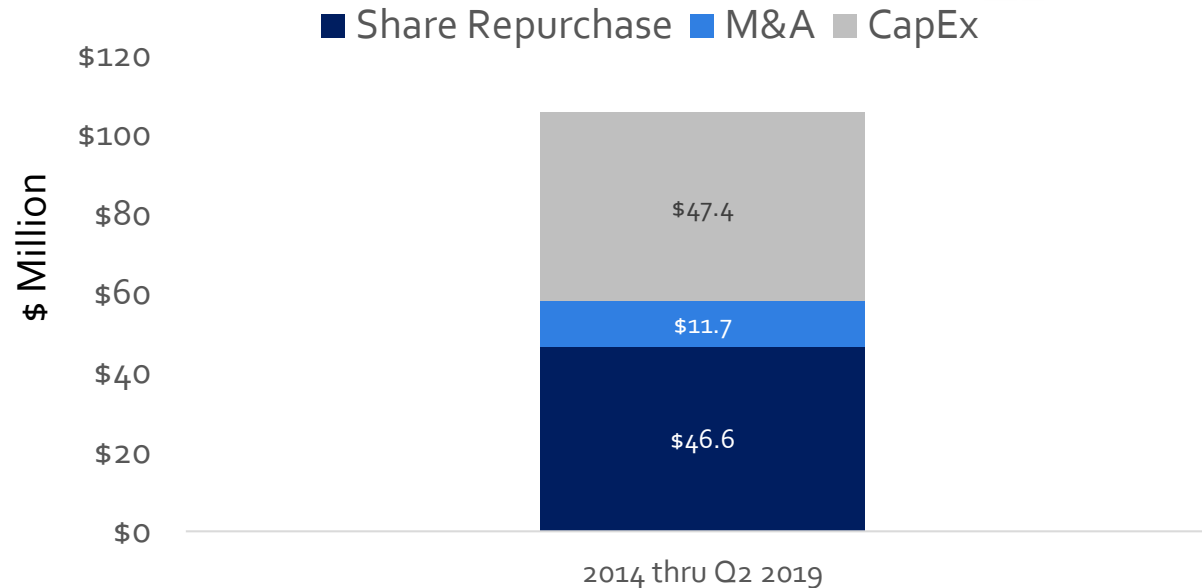
○ PDF continues to invest as the leader in semiconductor analytics

1. Differentiated data sources
 - PDF electrical characterization
 - Supply chain-wide data sources
2. Advanced AI algorithms and solutions
3. Cloud capability

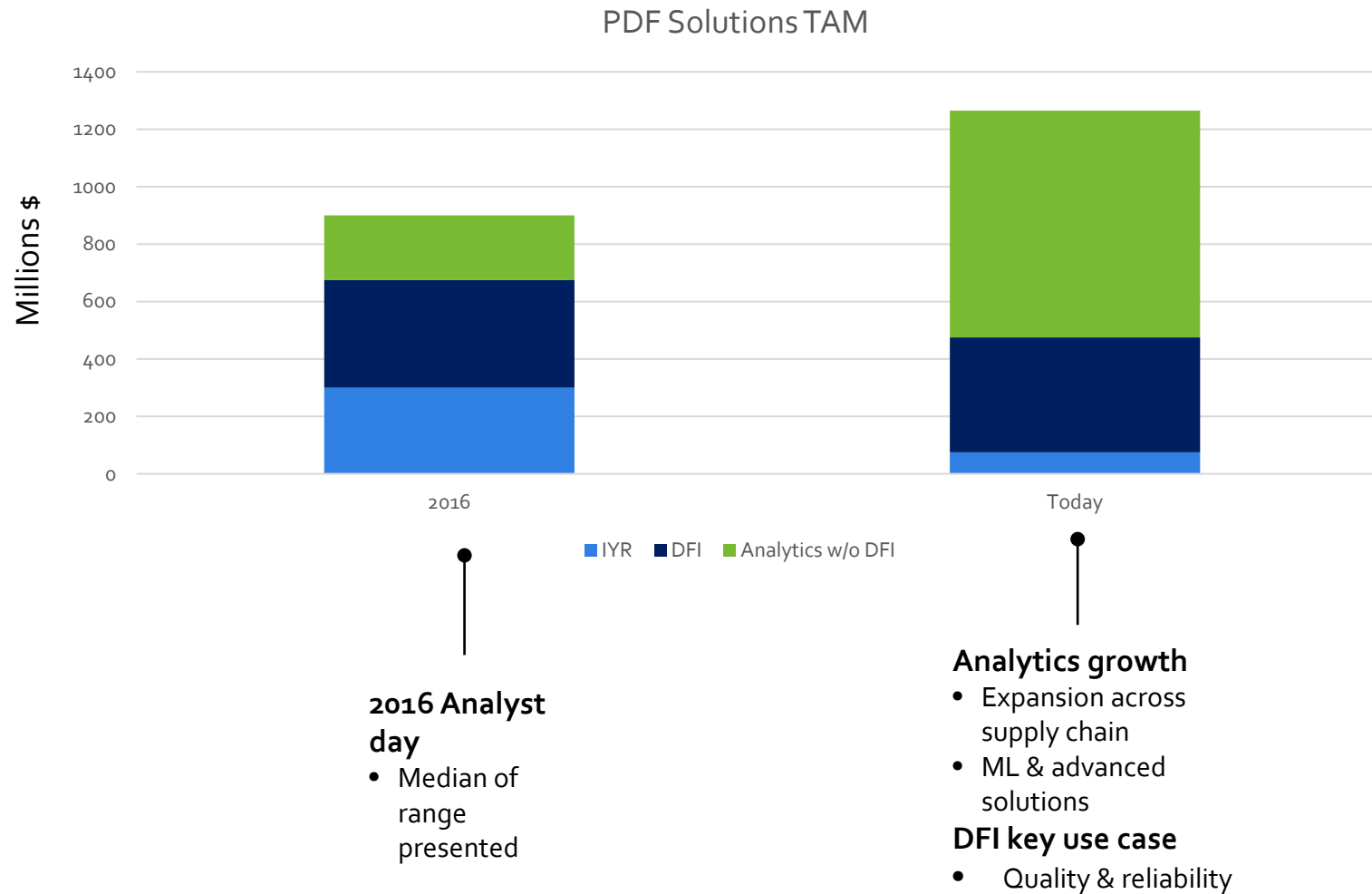
Disciplined Capital Allocation



- Capex investments include DFI, CVi, IP, DEX network, and infrastructure
- Cash balance has stayed relatively constant while we
 - Invest in Capex,
 - Make acquisitions
 - Return capital to shareholders through stock buyback



PDF Solutions – Total Available Market



○ Today, PDF provides the only commercial, supply-chain-wide analytics system

○ Growth in analytics TAM being driven from

- Move to cloud and increased data volumes
- Additional opportunities in fables, OSAT, system analytics

○ DFI™ TAM growth driven by

- Need for electrical data for quality and reliability
- Observability limits of conventional inspection

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