

LPCVD 製程設備之加熱及進氣系統設計、流場模擬與系統整合及建立 (II) (子計畫一)
**Heating and Gas Feeding System Design, Flow Simulation, Design and Establishment of
a LPCVD Process Equipment (II)**

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一、中文摘要

本三年期研究計畫(85年8月至88年7月)，主要針對晶片製程上常用之LPCVD反應爐，設計新的lamp加熱系統及反應氣體進氣系統，以改進晶片溫度之均勻性及晶片上反應氣體濃度之均勻性。同時，我們將以numerical model來模擬LPCVD反應爐內之流場分佈。由其他子計畫所獲得之輻射熱傳分佈、晶片內之熱應力分佈與加熱燈之安排對製程影響等結果，將與本計畫之結果整合在一起來設計整個LPCVD反應爐。依據此一改良之設計，我們將建立一新的CVD反應爐。此一反應爐將用以成長 Ta_2O_5 薄膜。由此成長之薄膜性質之優劣，將回饋至反應爐設計，以改進反應爐。

在本年度，第二年計畫裡(86年8月至87年7月)，我們已對第一年所建造的反應器進行詳細量測及數值模擬。結果顯示熱浮力所驅動之流體轉動非常強。加入showerhead 及降低爐體壓力可有效降低浮力效應，而利用等溫銅板可使晶圓之溫度分佈較均勻。

關鍵詞：LPCVD 反應爐、加熱設計、流力設計

Abstract

In this individual three-year research

project (August 1996 to July 1999) we intend to improve the uniformity of the temperature and gas concentration over the entire wafer through new lamp heating system and gas delivery system design in a LPCVD reactor. Meanwhile, a numerical model will be proposed to simulate the gas flow in the LPCVD reactor. Results for the thermal radiation distribution, thermal stress in the wafer and influences of the heating lamp arrangement from the individual projects will be combined with those from this individual project to design the whole LPCVD reactor. Based on this improved design, a new LPCVD reactor will be established. Tests will be conducted to use this reactor to grow a Ta_2O_5 thin film. The data for the grown film will be fed back to improve the reactor.

In the second year of the study (August 1997 to July 1998) the flow and thermal characteristics in the reactor established in the first year were investigated in detail through numerical modeling and experimental measurement. The results indicate that the buoyancy driven recirculating flow is rather strong. Using showerhead and lowering the reactor pressure can significantly reduce the buoyancy effects. Besides, the wafer

temperature uniformity can be somewhat improved by the thick isothermal copper plate.

Keywords : LPCVD Reactor Heating Design, Flow Design

二、計畫緣由與目的

近幾年來由於微電子元件之日益急速微小化及晶片功能之大幅提昇，積體電路已由 VLSI 發展到 ULSI，晶片也將由 8 吋擴大至 12 吋，因此如何精確地控制熱流條件使在大晶圓上成長的各類薄膜能達到均勻厚度、純度、線寬等之要求，以及減低晶片內之熱應力等，實為目前急需解決之重要問題。本子計畫之主要目的即在改進 IC 晶片製程之加熱系統及反應氣體進氣道設計，使大晶圓之溫度能均勻分佈，反應氣體在整個晶片上之濃度亦均勻分佈。同時亦將進行詳細 LPCVD 流場分析、計算，以改進熱流設計。另外，也將結合其他子計畫之成果，對於整個 LPCVD 系統進行整體設計。依此新設計建立一套 LPCVD 爐，對於建立本土 LPCVD 製程設備技術之提昇甚為重要。

LPCVD 為 IC 晶片製造之重要製程設備之一，先進國家在這方面已有甚多之研究，但國內做的並不多，尤其是在建立 LPCVD 反應爐設備方面，落後甚多。過去的 IC 晶片製造大多為 resistance heating，較難精確製造細微線路，且能源消耗較多。近來所發展之單一大晶片的 rapid lamp heating 則較省能，微細線路控制較好，但只要有少許之溫度不均勻，易造成薄膜厚度不均勻，且晶片易受熱應力而變形或破裂。

過去的 LPCVD 反應爐大多使用 resistance heating 加熱，主要分成水平及垂直兩類反應爐，有關此方面的研究甚多。有關 rapid lamp heating LPCVD 製程研究，近年來國外已有一些，但詳細之 LPCVD 反應爐設計及建造資料則甚難在公開文獻上獲得，大多列為公司機密。因此，國內欲建立 LPCVD 反應爐建造技術，必需靠自己慢慢建立。

三、結果與討論

我們在第一年所建造之反應爐的示意圖及相片，如圖一所示。在本年度裡，本子計畫所獲得之主要結果，討論如下：

- (1) 热浮力所驅動之 flow recirculation 相當的複雜，如計算（圖二）及實驗流場觀測（圖三）所示。為了減弱 recirculating flow，我們可加入 showerhead。另外亦可降低爐內壓力或爐體高度。
- (2) 於晶圓下方換置一厚的等溫銅板對於改善晶圓溫度分佈之均勻性有相當的幫助，我們所量測之晶片上五點之溫度隨時間變化（在加熱過程及不加熱過程），如圖四所示。顯示晶片上之溫差已較目前的爐子好。

四、計畫成果自評

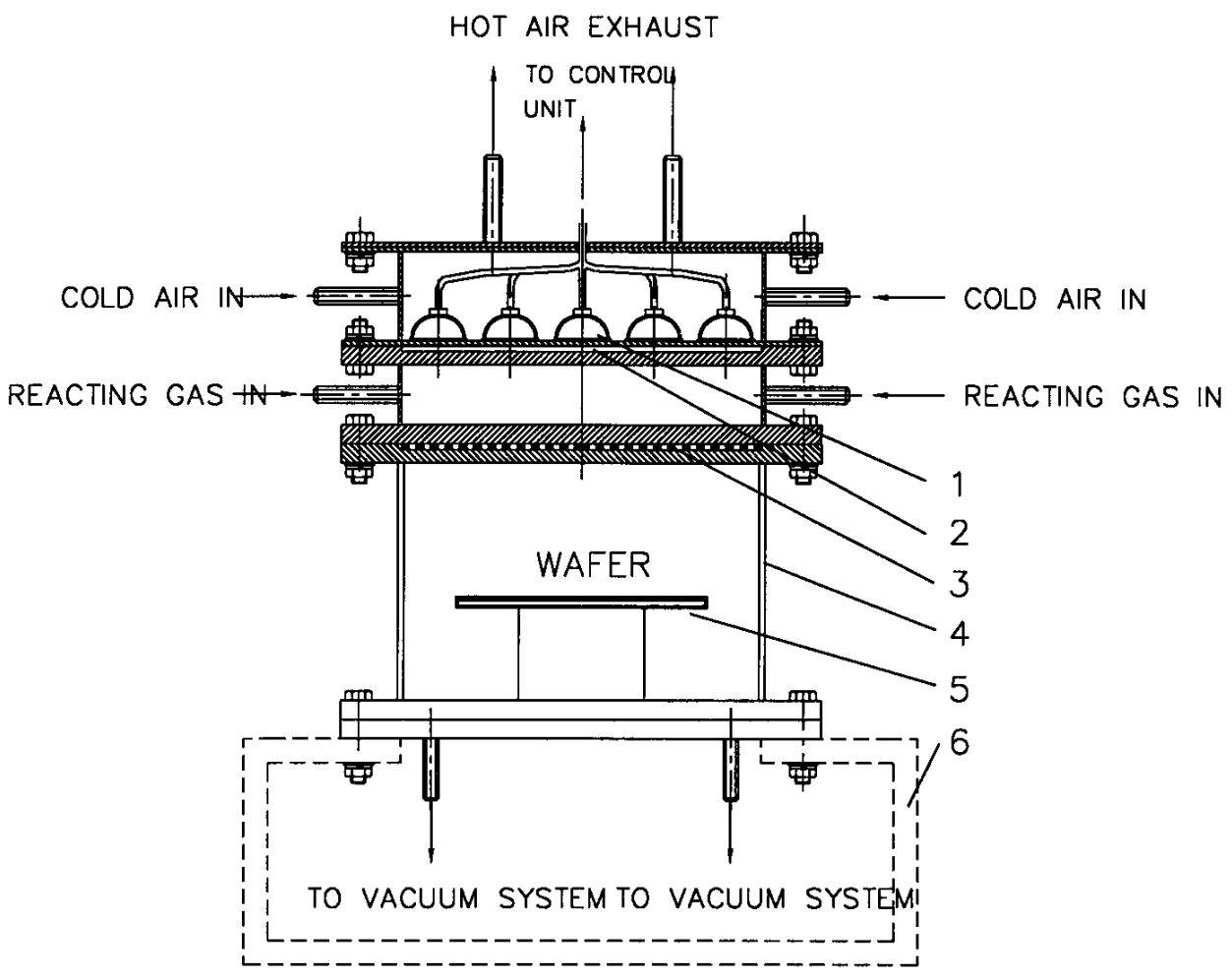
第二年之詳細流場分析及實驗觀測所提供之資料對於我們瞭解第一年所建造之反應爐有很大幫忙。此一爐子之優缺點對第三年要建造之改良式反應爐極為重要。

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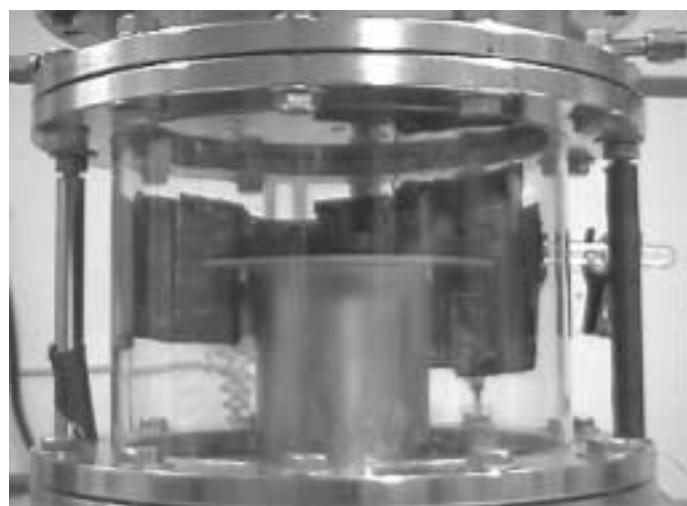
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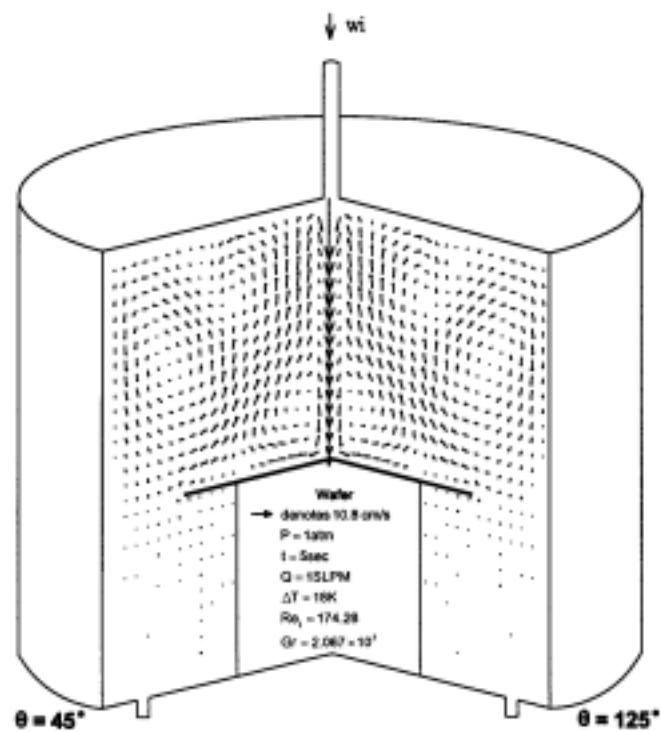
- 1 --- HEATING LAMPS
- 2 --- CRYSTAL HOLDER
- 3 --- SHOWER HEAD
- 4 --- PYREX REACTOR BODY
- 5 --- SUSCEPTOR
- 6 --- REACTOR HOLD STRUCTURE

圖一. (a)Schematic diagram, and (b)photos for the reactor

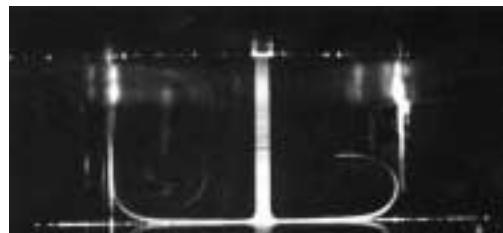


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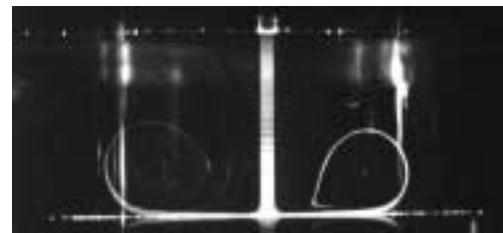
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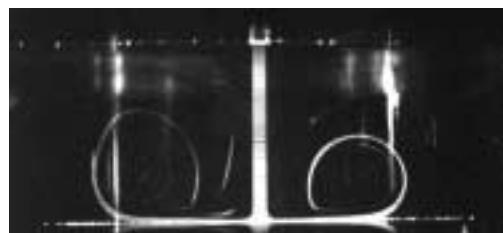
圖二. Velocity vector maps on the planes : $\theta = 45^\circ \& 125^\circ$ at $t=5 \text{ sec}$
 for $Q=1 \text{ SLPM}$, $T_f=313 \text{ K}$ and $P=1 \text{ atm}$ ($Re_j=174.28$,
 $Gr=2.067 \times 10^7$, $w_i=33.16 \text{ cm/s}$)



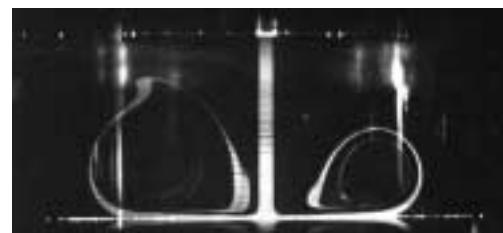
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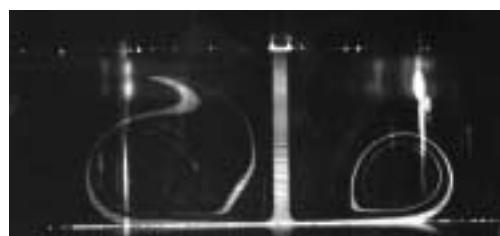


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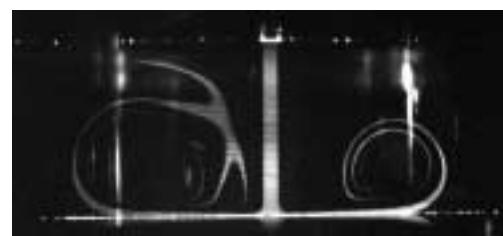


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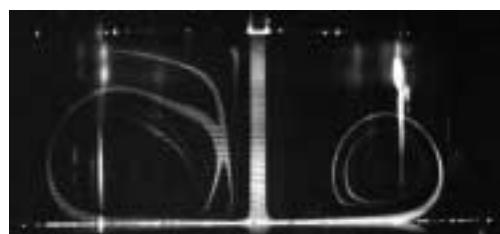
圖三. Photographs of the transient flow pattern for $x = 3x_0$ for 1 SLPM and $P = 1 \text{ atm}$ ($Re_0 = 174.28$, $Ra = 1.51 \times 10^7$) at $t =$ (i) 0 sec (ii) 1 sec (iii) 2 sec (iv) 3 sec (v) 4 sec (vi) 5 sec (vii) 6 sec (viii) 7 sec



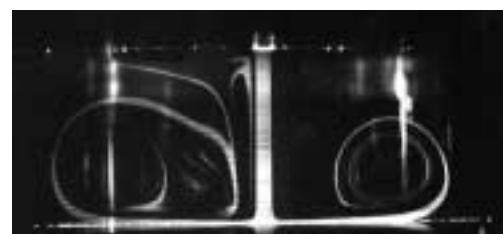
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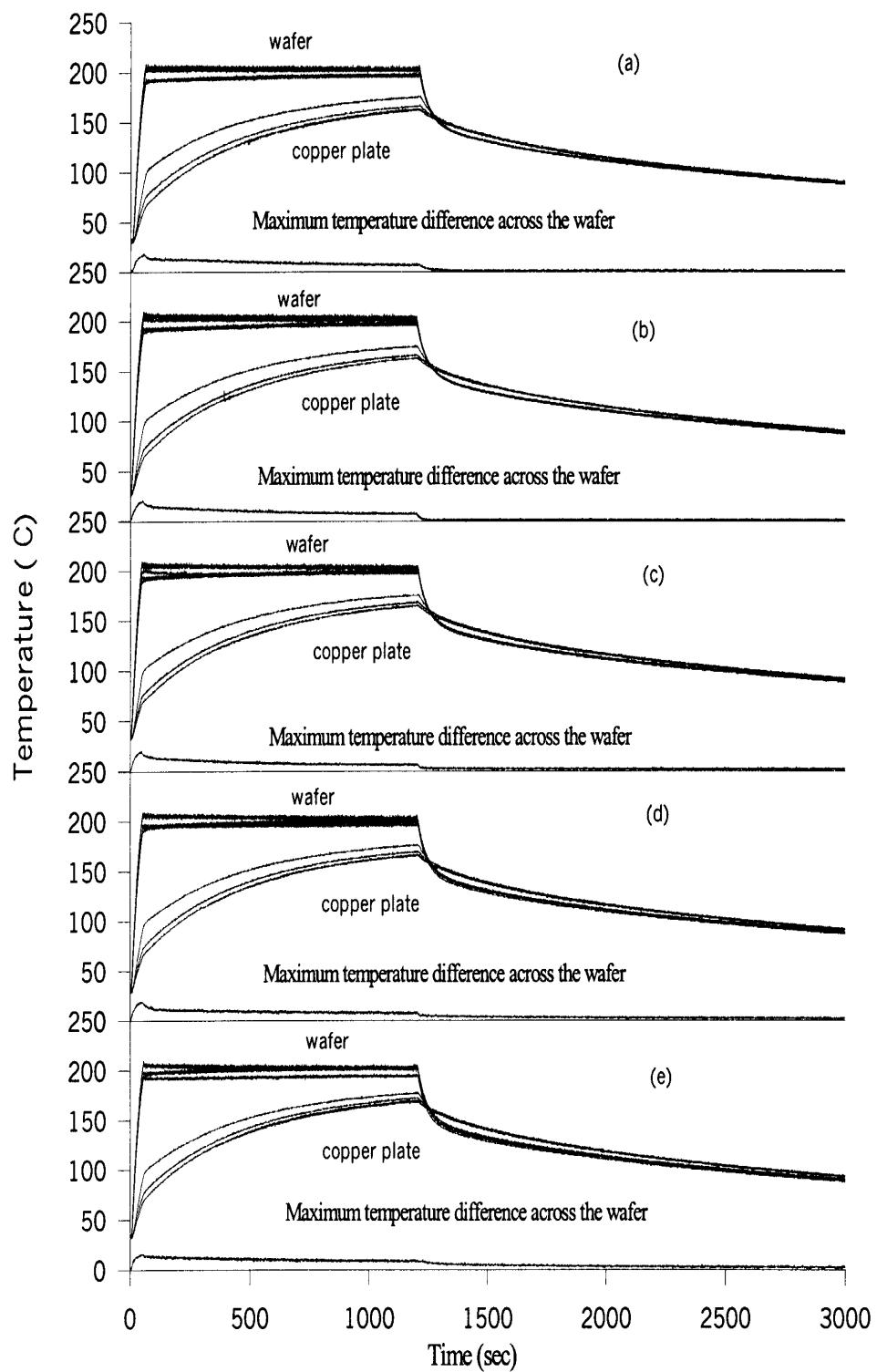


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圖三. Continued



圖四. The wafer temperature at selected points and the maximum temperature differences across the wafer during the entire heating process for $T_s=200$ °C with flange copper plate and for (a) $Q_{in}=0$ SLPM, (b) $Q_{in}=1$ SLPM, (c) $Q_{in}=2$ SLPM, (d) $Q_{in}=3$ SLPM, and (e) $Q_{in}=5$ SLPM.

