# ARCNL's metrology department: new light on nanostructures

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Groups: EUV Generation and Imaging (Witte, Eikema) EUV Targets (Planken) HHG and EUV Science (Kraus) Computational imaging for advanced metrology (den Boef) Nanoscale imaging and Metrology (Amitonova)



# Metrology at ARCNL: people involved

#### EUV Generation and imaging:

- Stefan Witte (PI)
- Kjeld Eikema (PI)
- Nik Noest (technician)
- Hao Zhang (postdoc)
- Anne de Beurs (PhD)
- Kevin Liu (PhD)
- Alessandro Antoncecchi (PhD)
- Mengqi Du (PhD)
- Lars Loetgering (postdoc)

#### HHG and EUV science:

- Peter Kraus (PI)
- Reinout Jaarsma (technician)
- Filippo Campi (postdoc)
- Sylvianne Roscam Abbing (PhD)
- Maarten vd Geest (PhD)

#### **EUV Targets:**

- Paul Planken (PI)
- Thomas Meijvogel (technician)
- Stephen Edward (PhD)
- Vanessa Verrina (PhD)
- Guido de Haan (PhD)

#### Computational imaging for advanced metrology

- Arie den Boef (PI)
- Perry van Schaijk (postdoc)
- Christos Messinis (PhD)

#### Nanoscale imaging and Metrology

Lyuba Amitonova (PI)

## Several open PhD and postdoc positions!



# Metrology challenges in nanolithography



Modern semiconductor devices are often multi-element 3D nanostructures

 $\rightarrow$  So how do you characterize such devices?



# Metrology challenges in nanolithography

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3D-NAND schematic and SEM cross section:

How to achieve high-NA, aberration-free metrology in the presence of thick multilayer structures, opaque hardmasks and photosensitive resists?



## **ARCNL Metrology: Program overview**

Key objective: Technology development for future semiconductor metrology needs

### Lensless and computational imaging

- Visible light microscopy with 'simple' hardware
- High-NA metrology in complex stacks

**Goal:** Push metrology beyond conventional hardware limits through computational methods

#### Pump-probe metrology methods

- Metrology through opaque layers
- Ultrafast photo-acoustics

**Goal:** Understand and control light-matter interactions for metrology through opaque materials.

### EUV and soft-X-ray metrology

- 3D metrology of (non-)periodic device patterns
- EUV lensless imaging methods

**Goal:** Contribute to the development of novel EUV/soft-X-ray-based wafer metrology tools

#### **High-harmonic generation sources**

- HHG source development and optimization
- EUV/soft-X-ray spectroscopy

**Goal:** Understand HHG source optimization, and develop new materials characterization methods.



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## **High-harmonic generation sources**

- HHG source development
- Talk S105 Peter Kraus EUV/soft-X-row
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# Showcasing ARCNL metrology

