

**SPIO**  
SYSTEMS

Optics manufacturing  
done cheaper and faster

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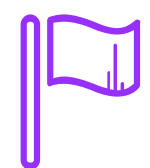
# About SPIO Systems

SPIO Systems is a deep-tech company.

SPIO has developed/invented a radically new manufacturing technology of optical engines/devices

The SPIO technology enables miniaturization of existing optical engines by at least an order of magnitude

The SPIO technology enables cost-effective, mass production of optical engines in millions of units, which were not possible with previous manufacturing technologies



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Based in Farum,  
Denmark

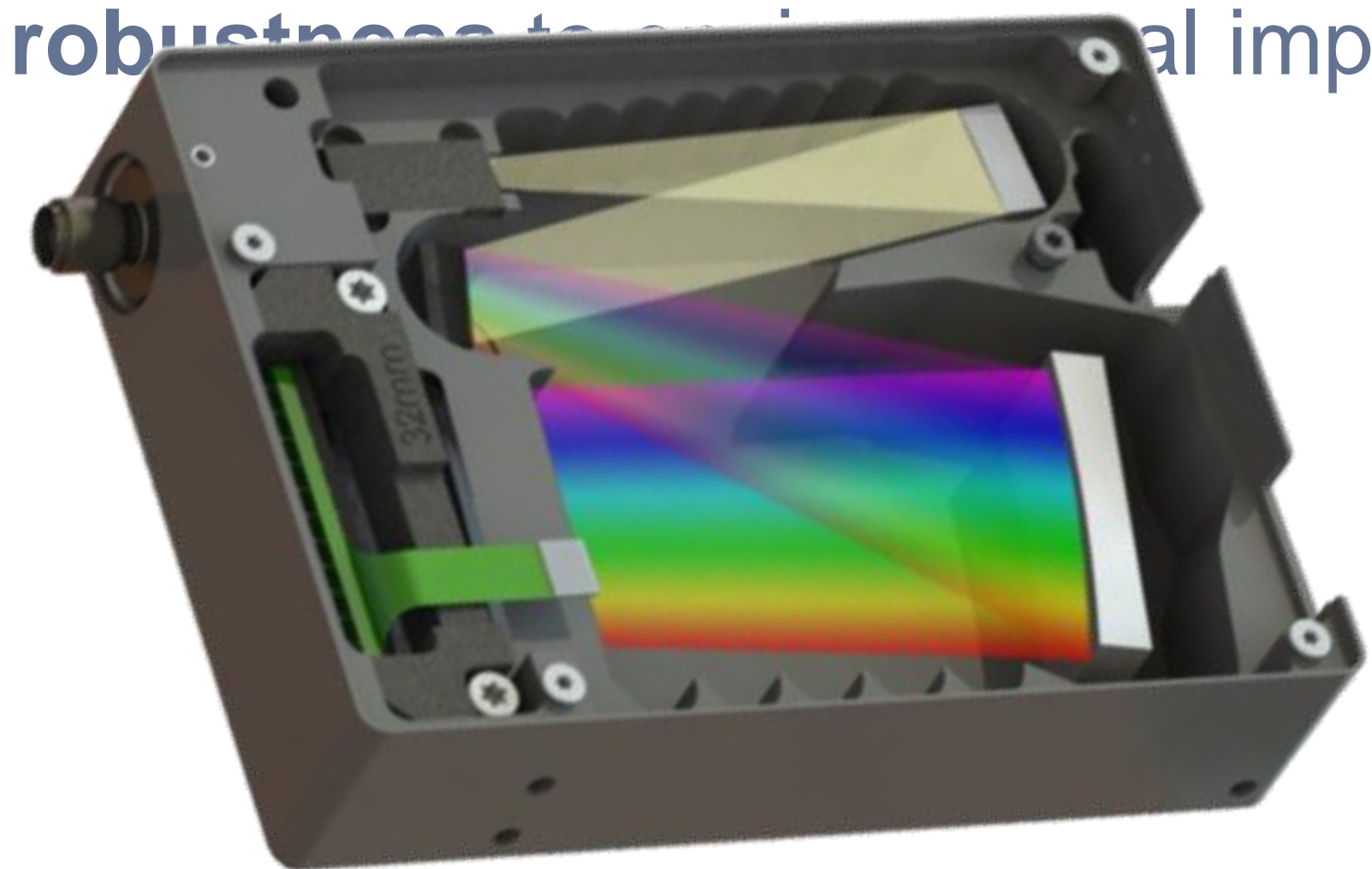


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## Optics manufacturing is not ready for future markets

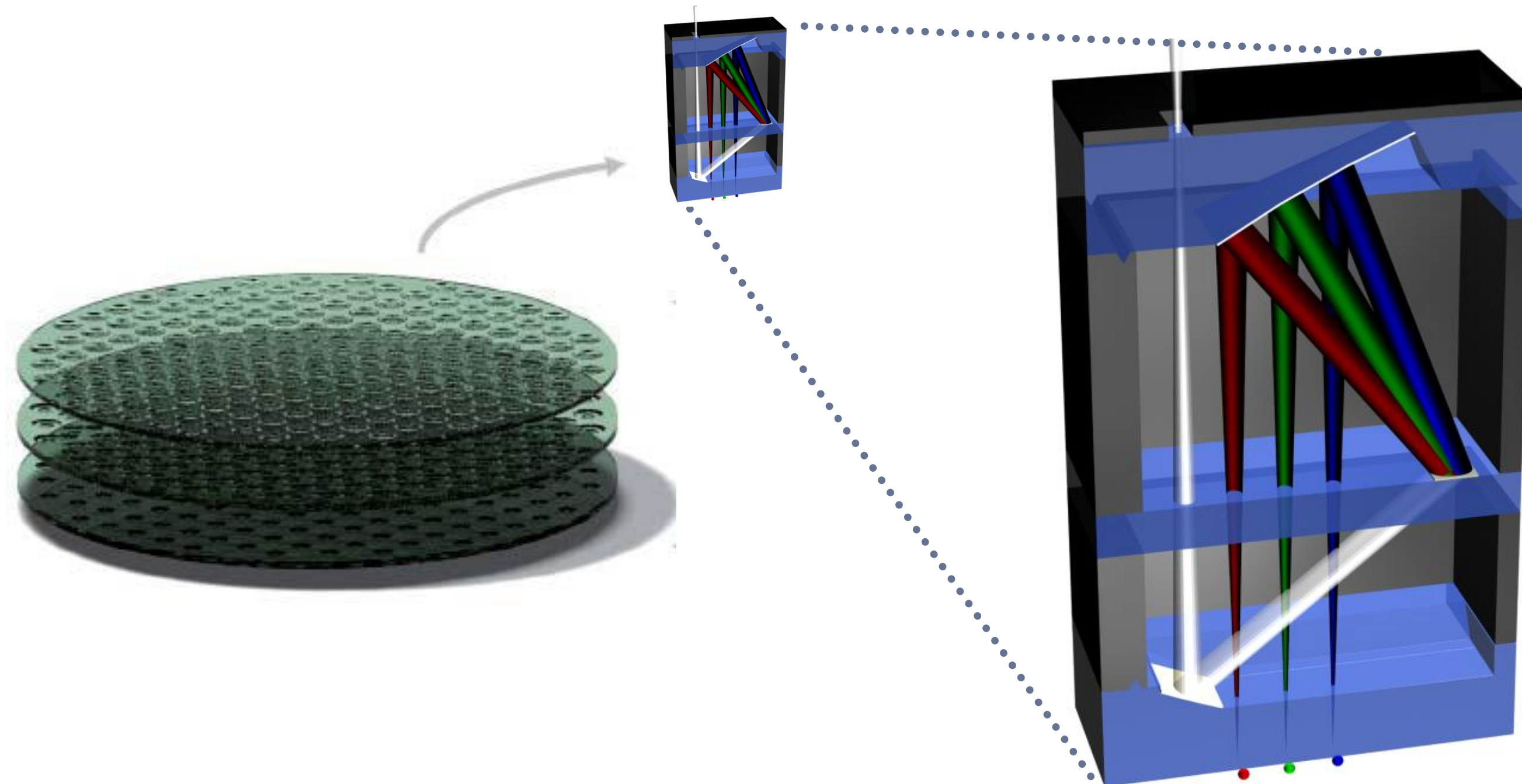
Optics design &  
manufacturing –  
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- ✗ **Discrete** optical elements into box
- ✗ Extensive **assembly** process: Account for +70%  
**cost**
- ✗ Lacking **scalability** to deliver mass volumes
- ✗ Lacking **robustness** to environmental impact



# Introducing **SPIO Technology** in optics manufacturing

- ✗ Thousands optical elements in one go: **Lower unit cost**
- ✗ Cut in assembly process: **Reduce 80%**
- ✗ Scale to volume with: **Less equipment & manpower**
- ✗ Enhanced **robustness** to environmental impact



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# SPIO vs. Conventional optics manufacturing

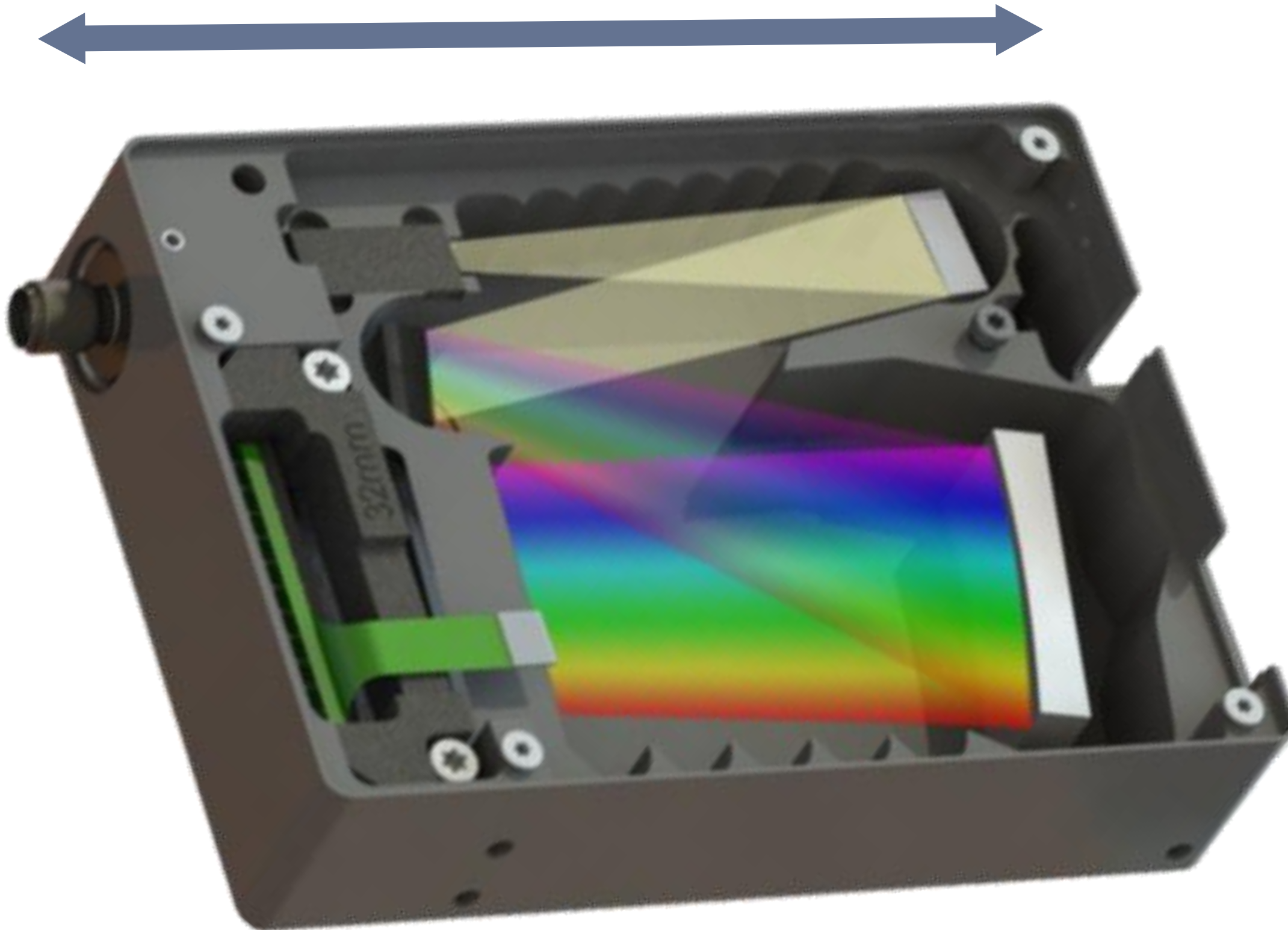
Same optical device but different **space occupation** and **production cost** and **scaling rate**

**CONVENTIONAL DEVICE: €€€€€**

Discrete optical elements

Active alignment and manual assembly

50mm

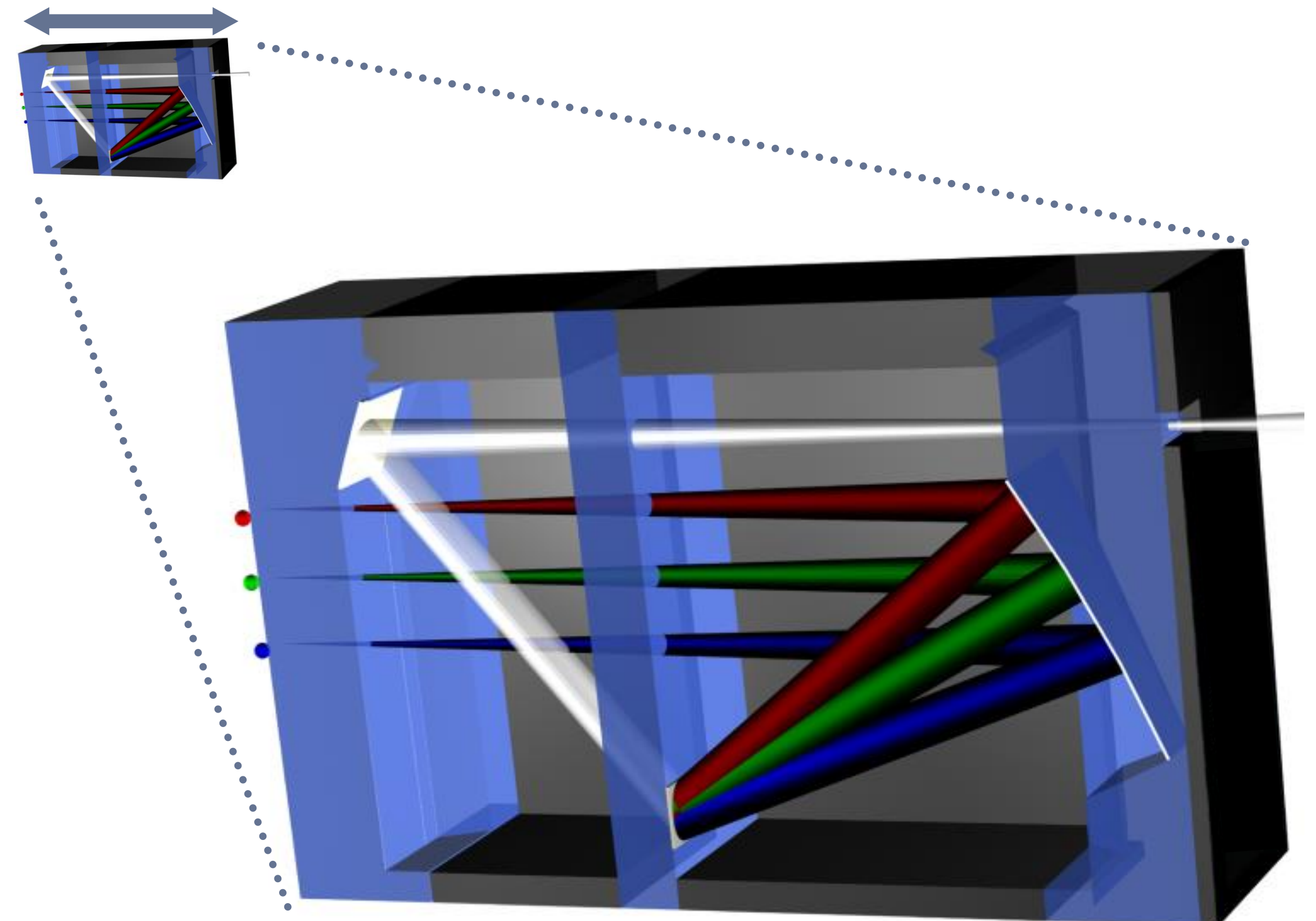


**SPIO DEVICE: €**

Integrated optical components in single planar layers (wafer)

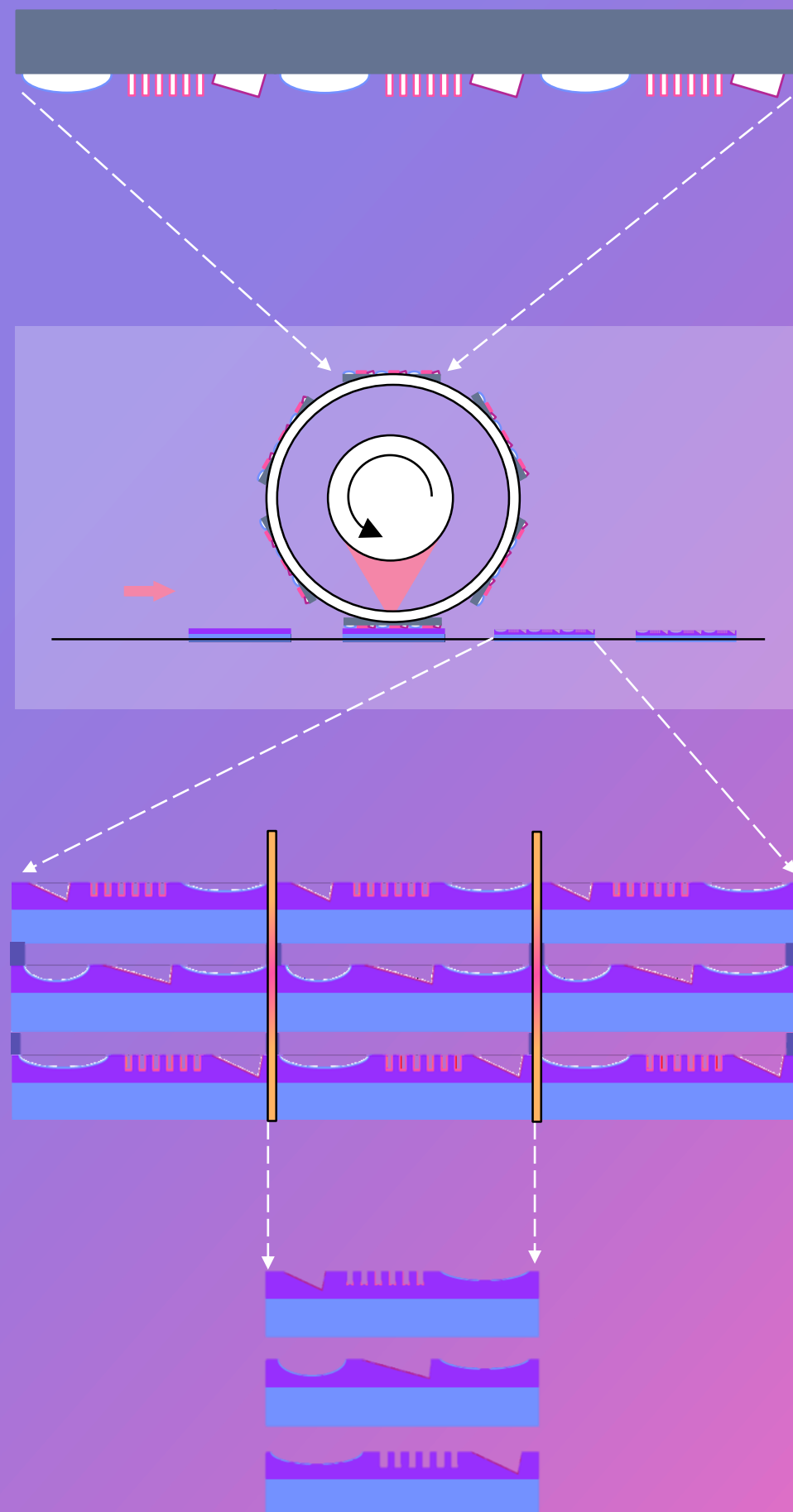
Passive alignment and automated assembly

2mm



# Technology

LOW COST, MASS PRODUCTION OF COMPLEX OPTICAL SYSTEMS



1. Master design and production

2. Roll-to-plate transfer to polymer on glass wafers

3. Stacking and characterization

4. Dicing into individual components



Master that enables compact and complex optics



Cheap and fast production process



Stacking of wafers: Assembly thousands of optical devices in parallel



A very compact 3D optical SPIO device with a high dense of light processing. A manufacturing technology that makes SPIO Systems unique

# What is SPIO?

SPIO IS...

**A technology platform** that enables guiding and processing of light in advanced, complex optical structures.

- A toolbox of optical elements made to a single component
- Closed packed design: No mechanics on individual elements

- “Cubic” design: Optical light paths in 3 dimensions – in 2D planar layers but between layers as well

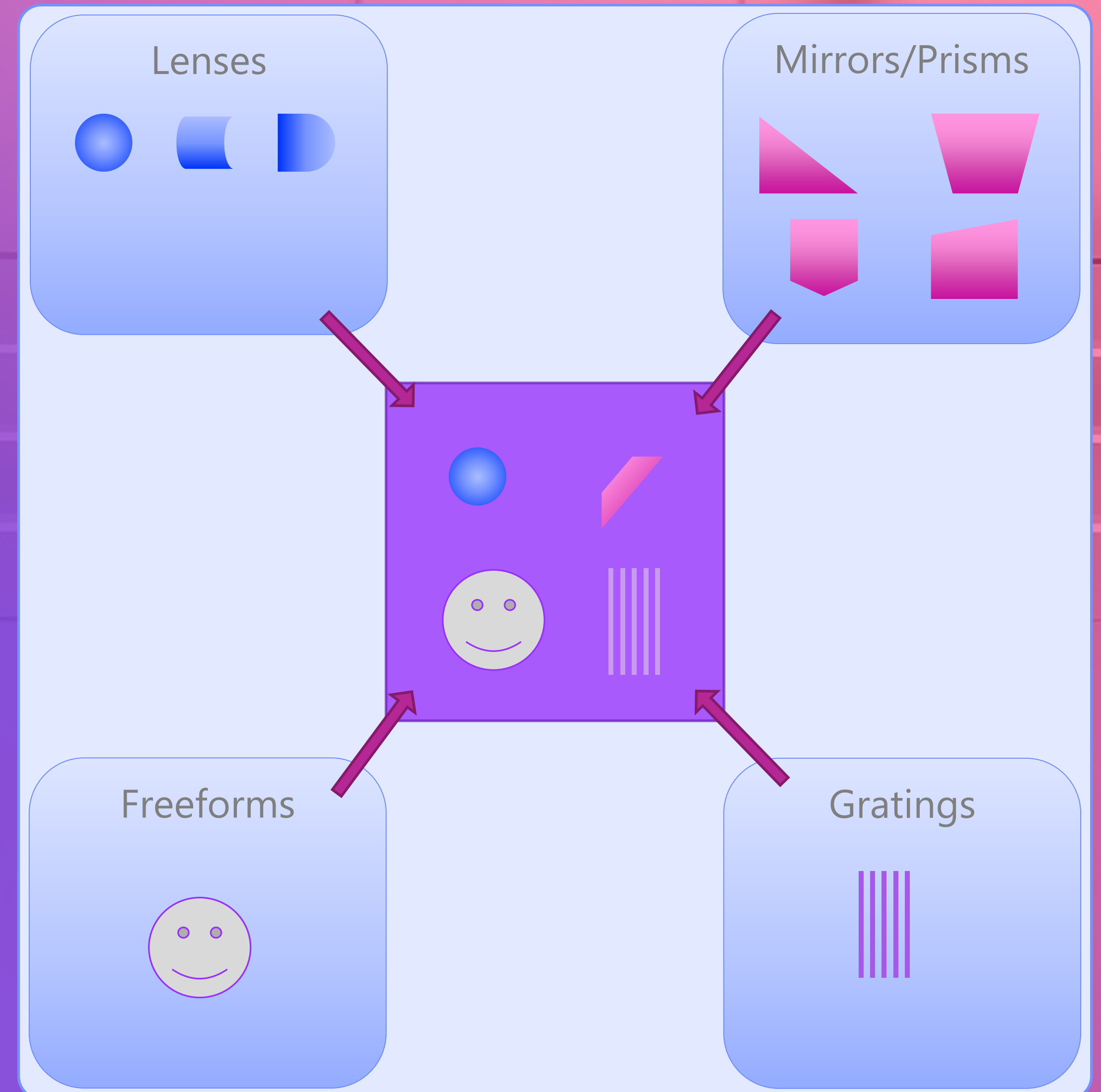
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A **manufacturing method** that uses advanced Nanoimprint Lithography (NIL) processes and fast-curing polymer material as the primary consumable instead of slow-curing glass.

- Master replicated into polymer on glass wafers
- Hybrid master: Different optical elements on same wafer

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Step 1

Master for replication

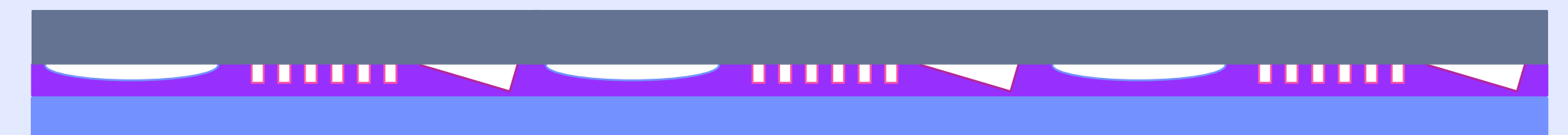


Polymer on glass wafer

UV Light



Step 2



Nano Imprint Lithography of glass wafer with polymer

Step 3



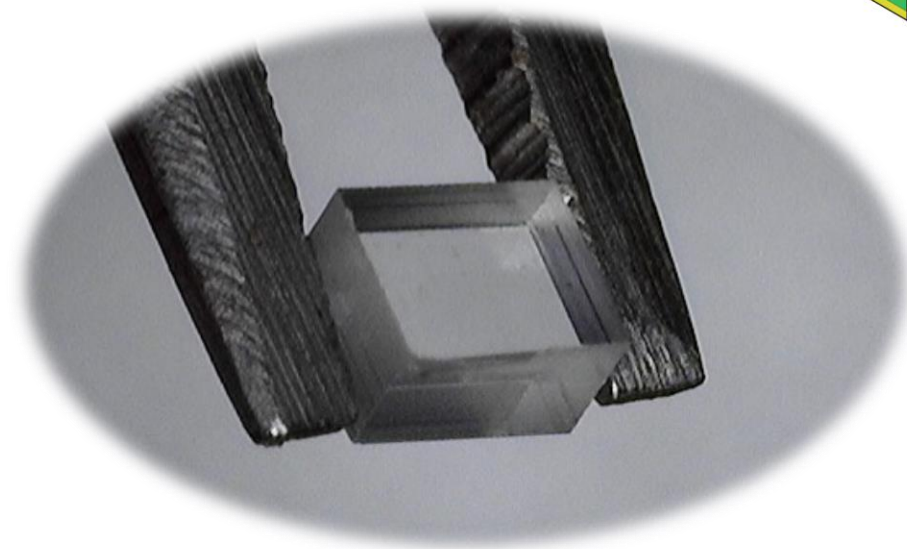
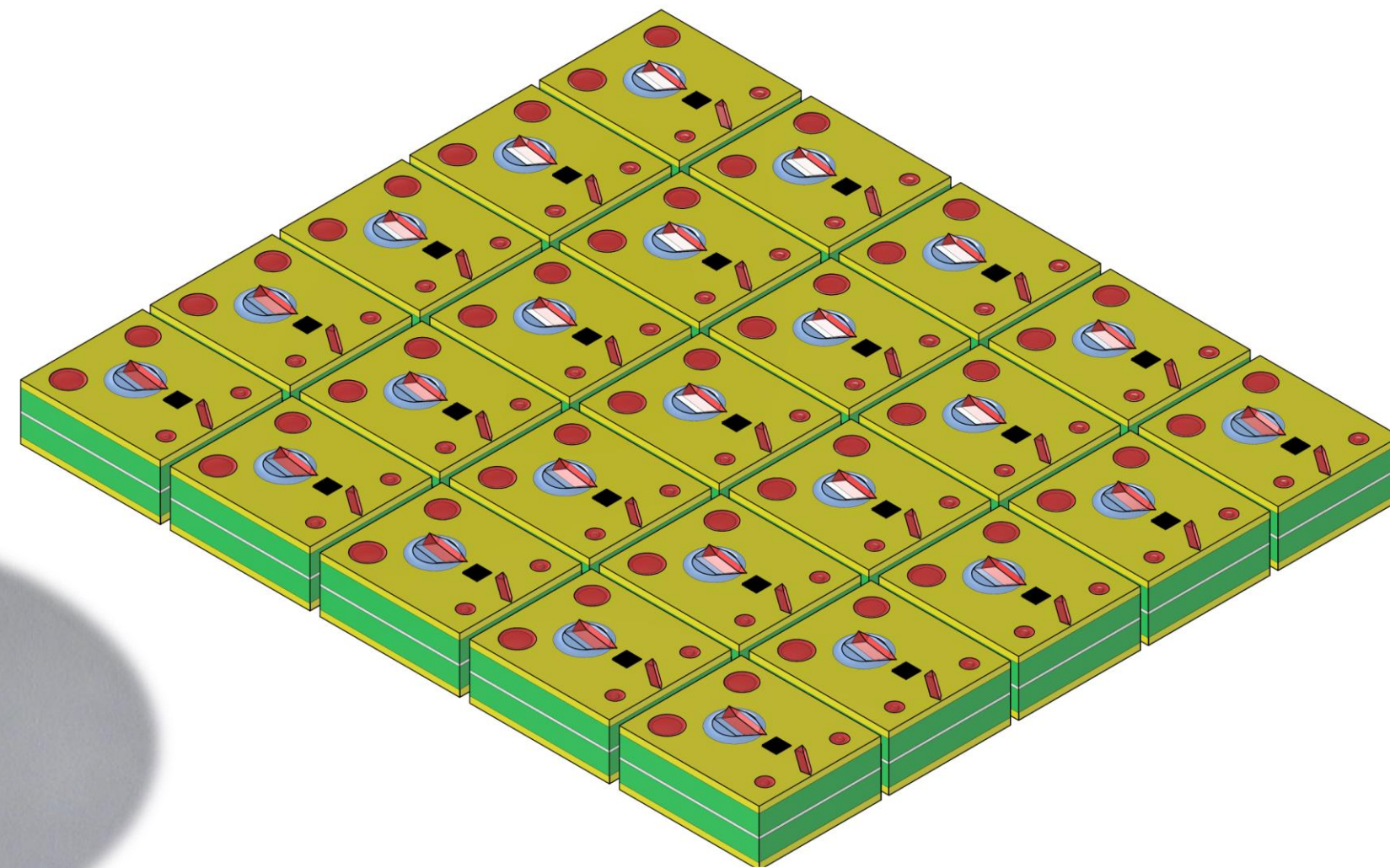
Wafer with NIL integrated optics ready for assembly



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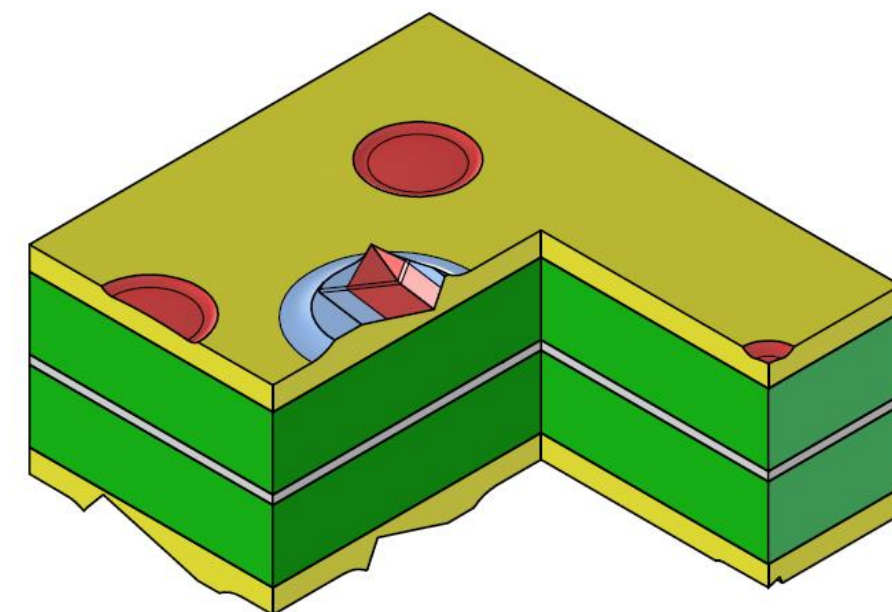
A production technology that allows mass production of small-size optical devices with photonic component integration.



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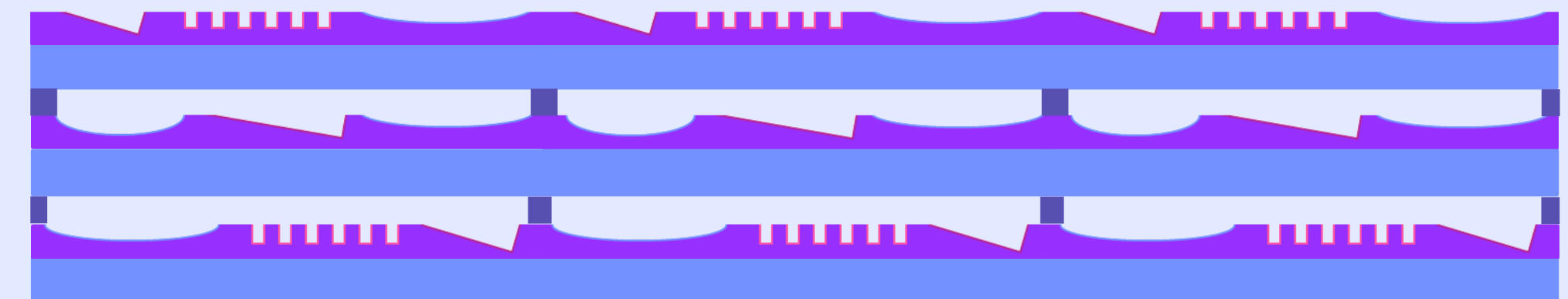


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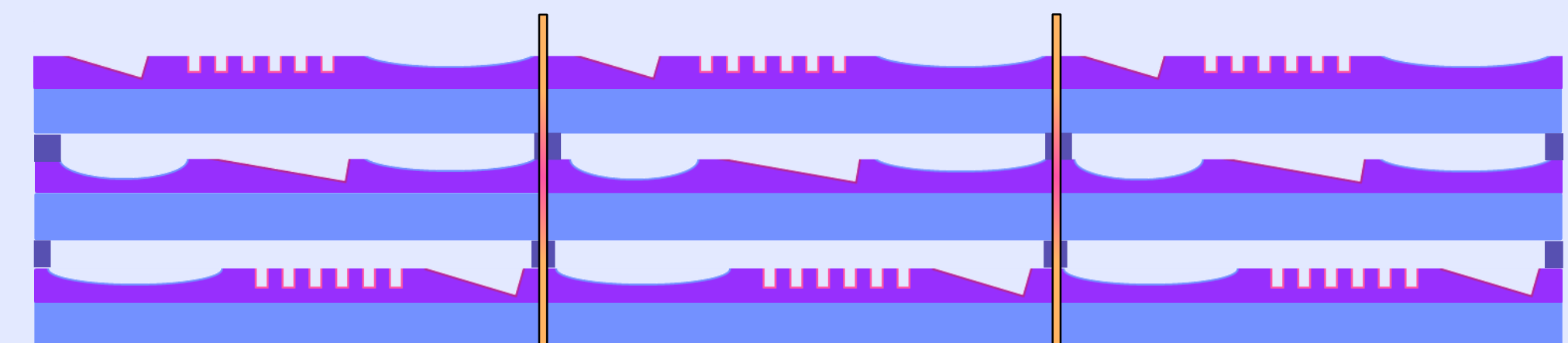
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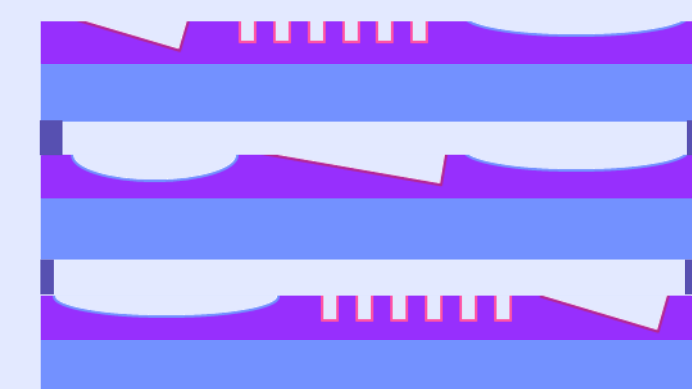
Assembly of hundreds of SPIO devices on wafer level

Step 2



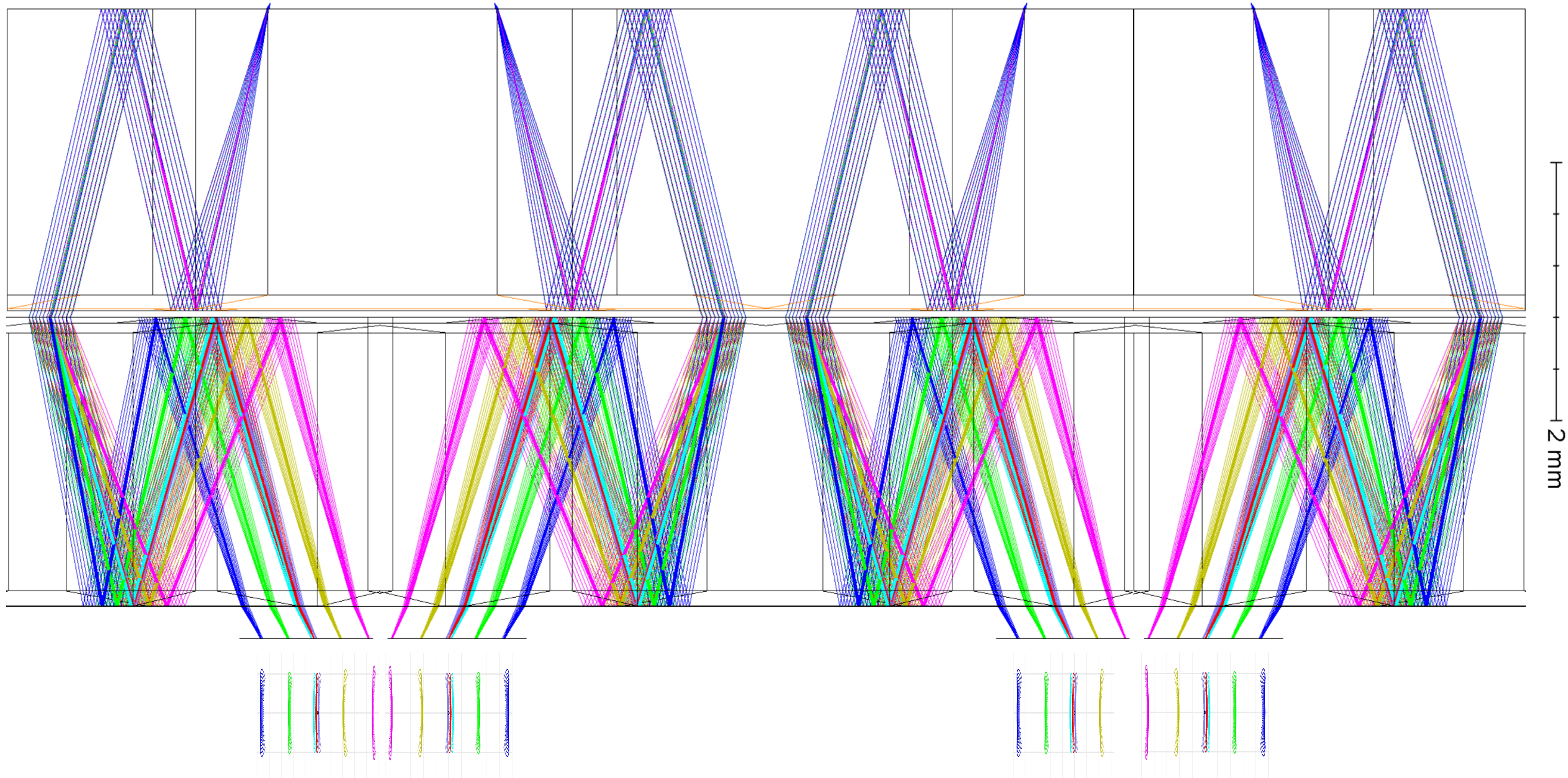
Testing on wafer-level and separation into SPIO devices

Step 3

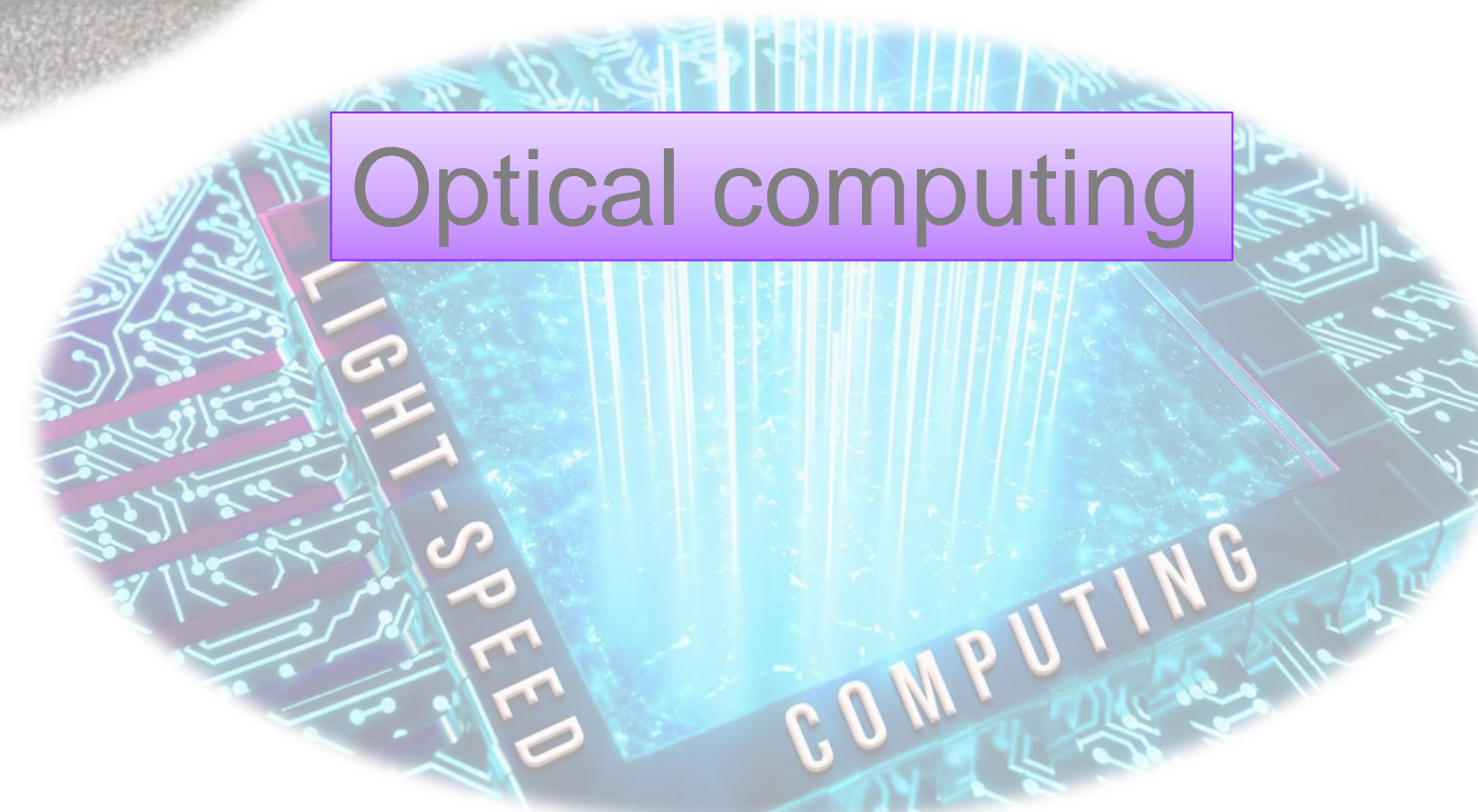
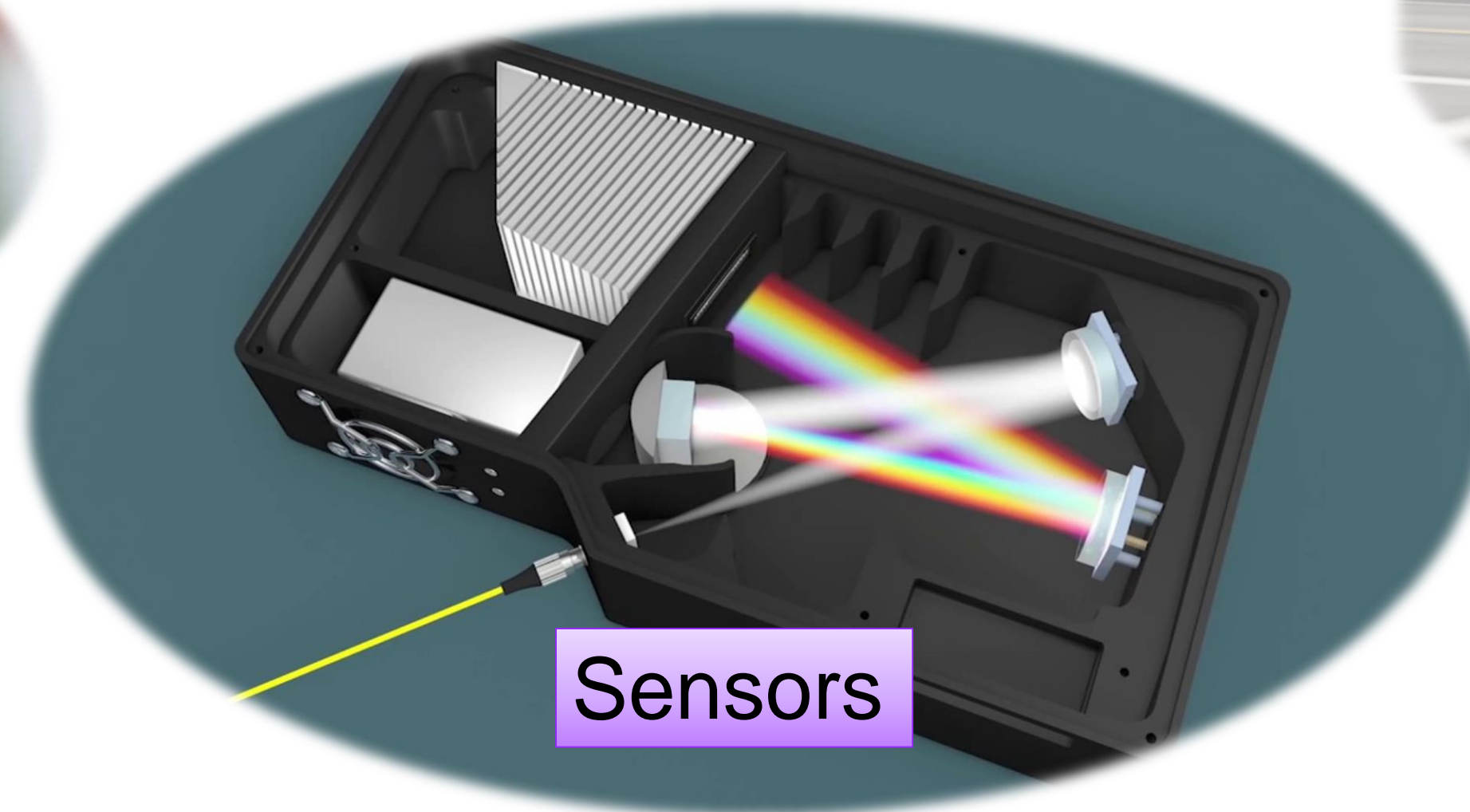


SPIO device die for integration

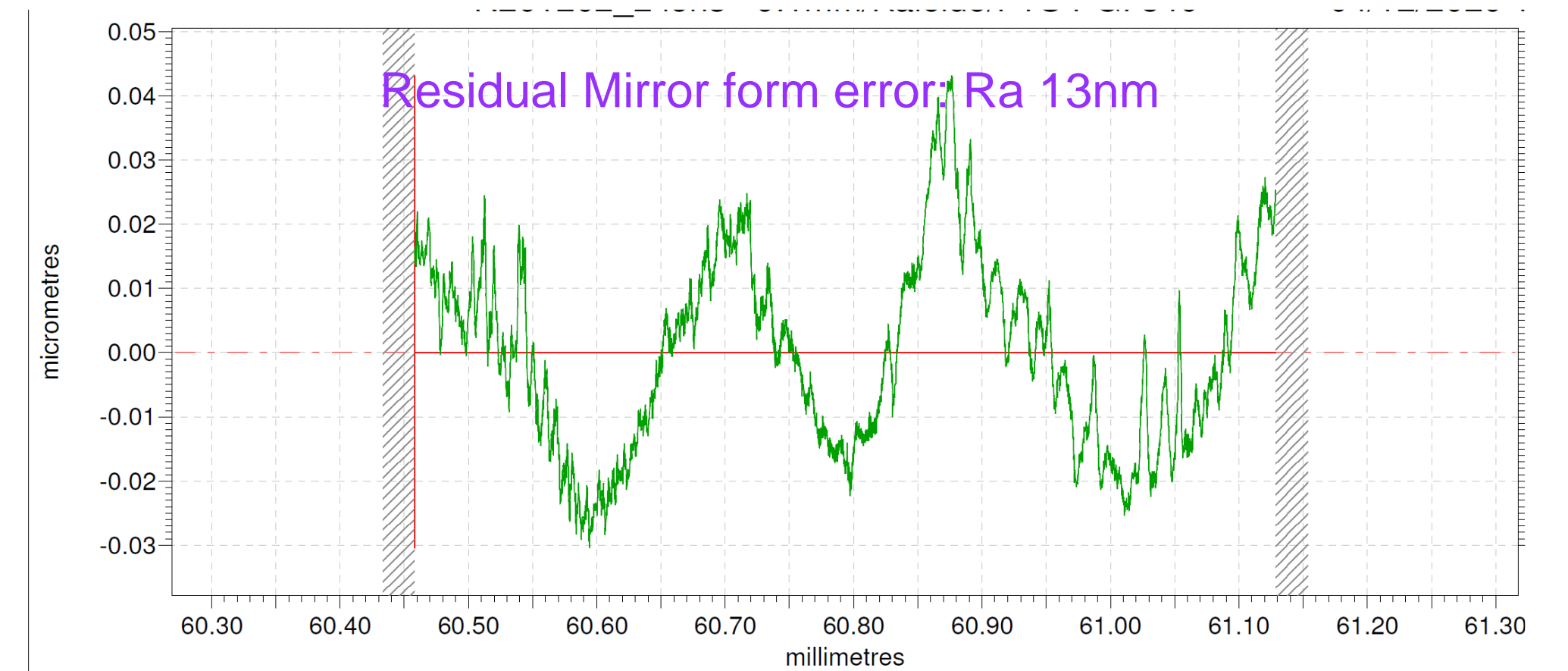
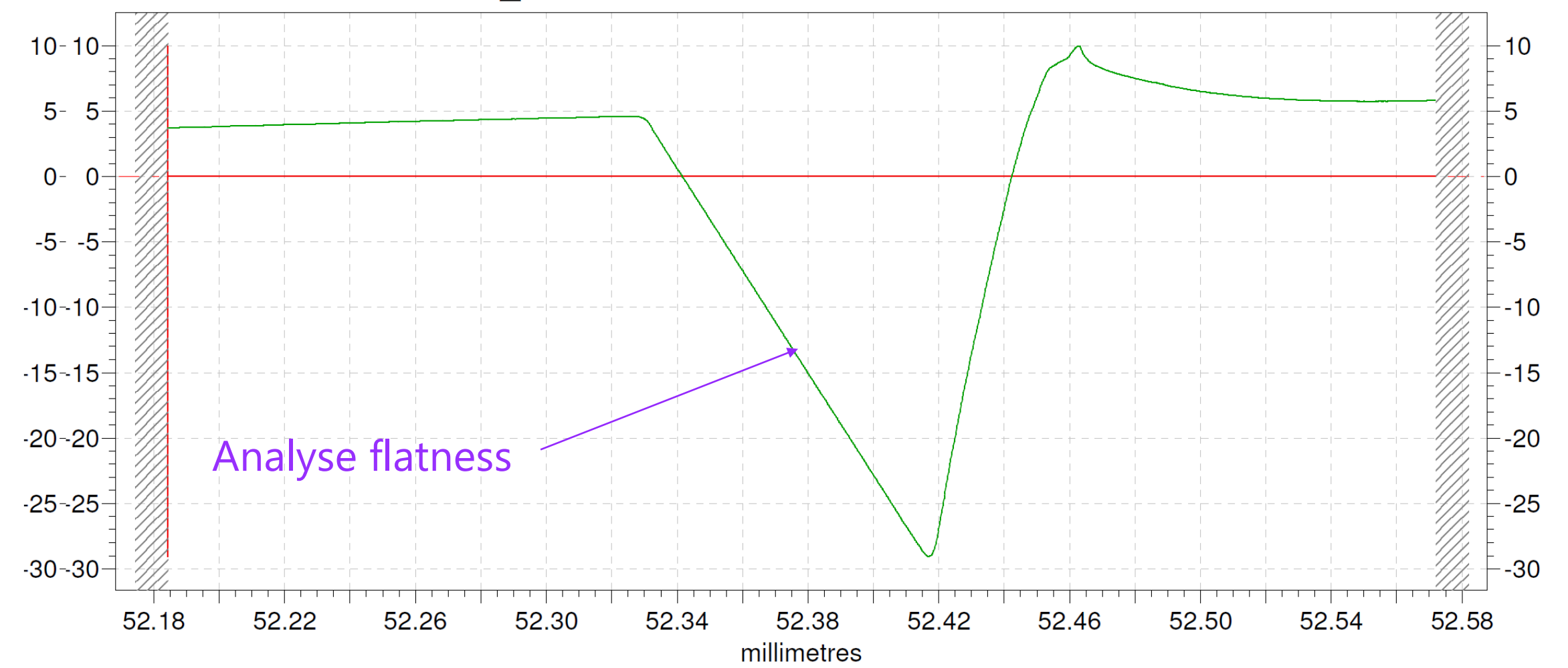
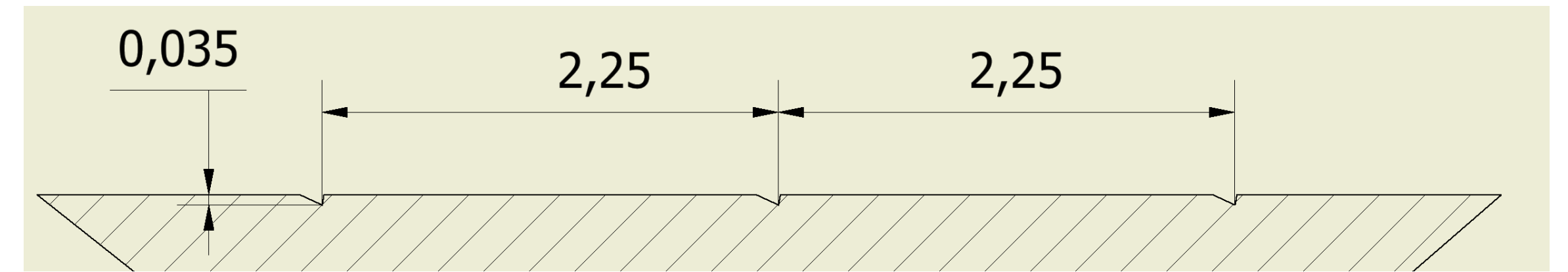
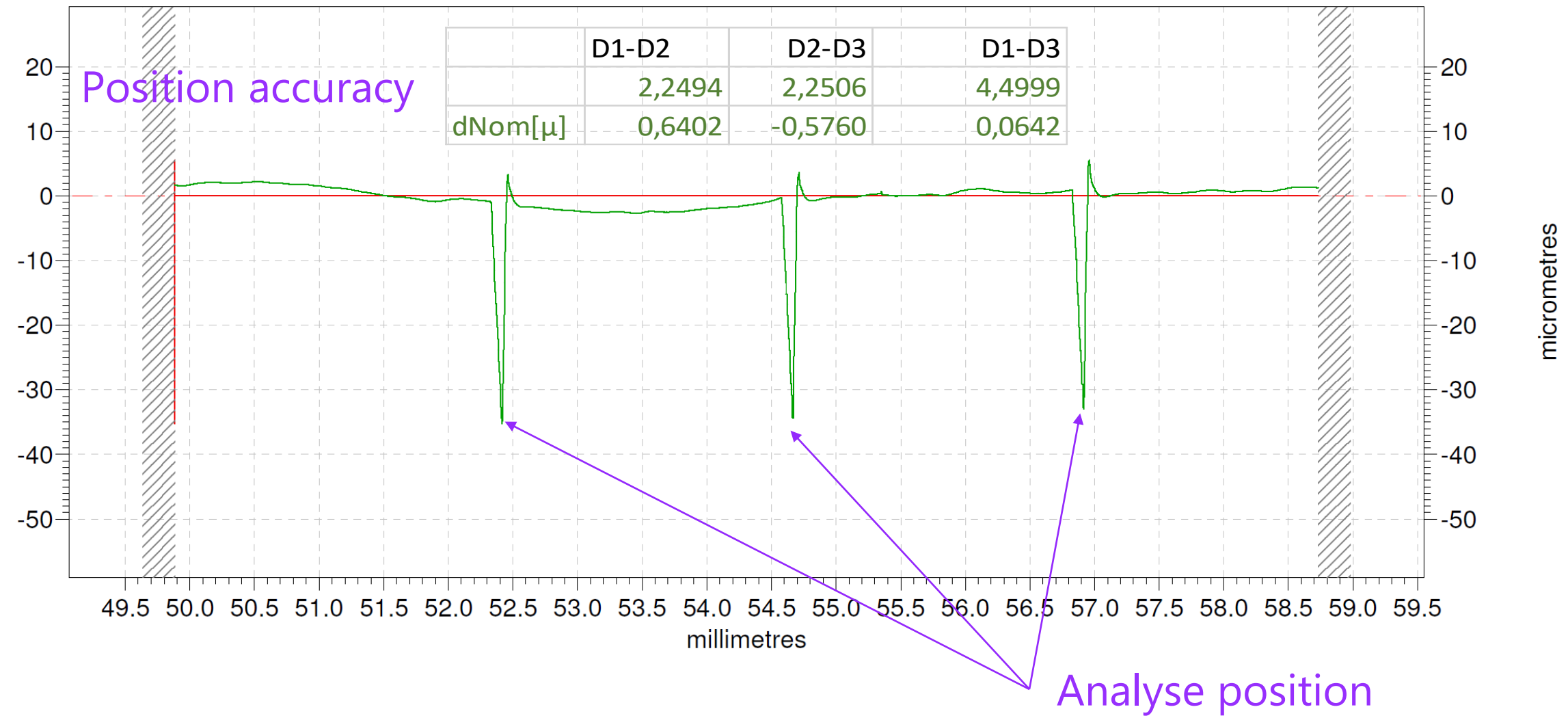
# Spectrometer design with SPIO technology



# Who can benefit by SPIO Technology?

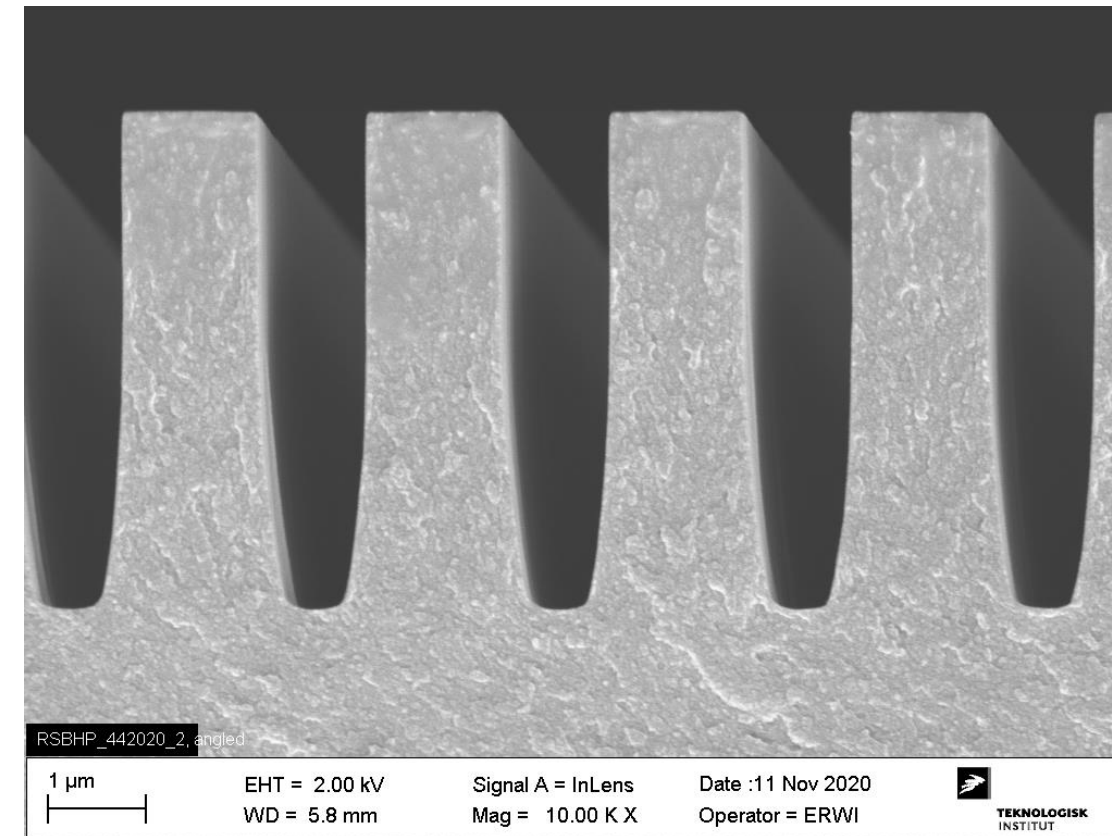
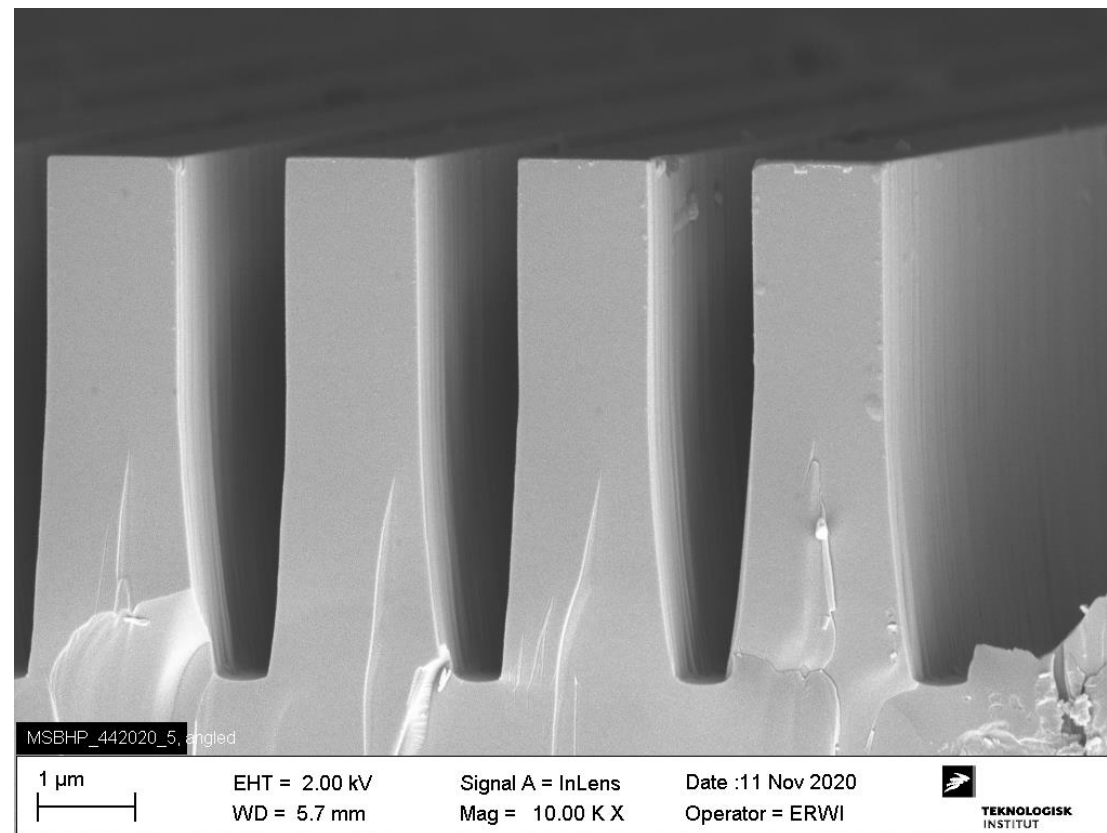


# Imprint accuracy

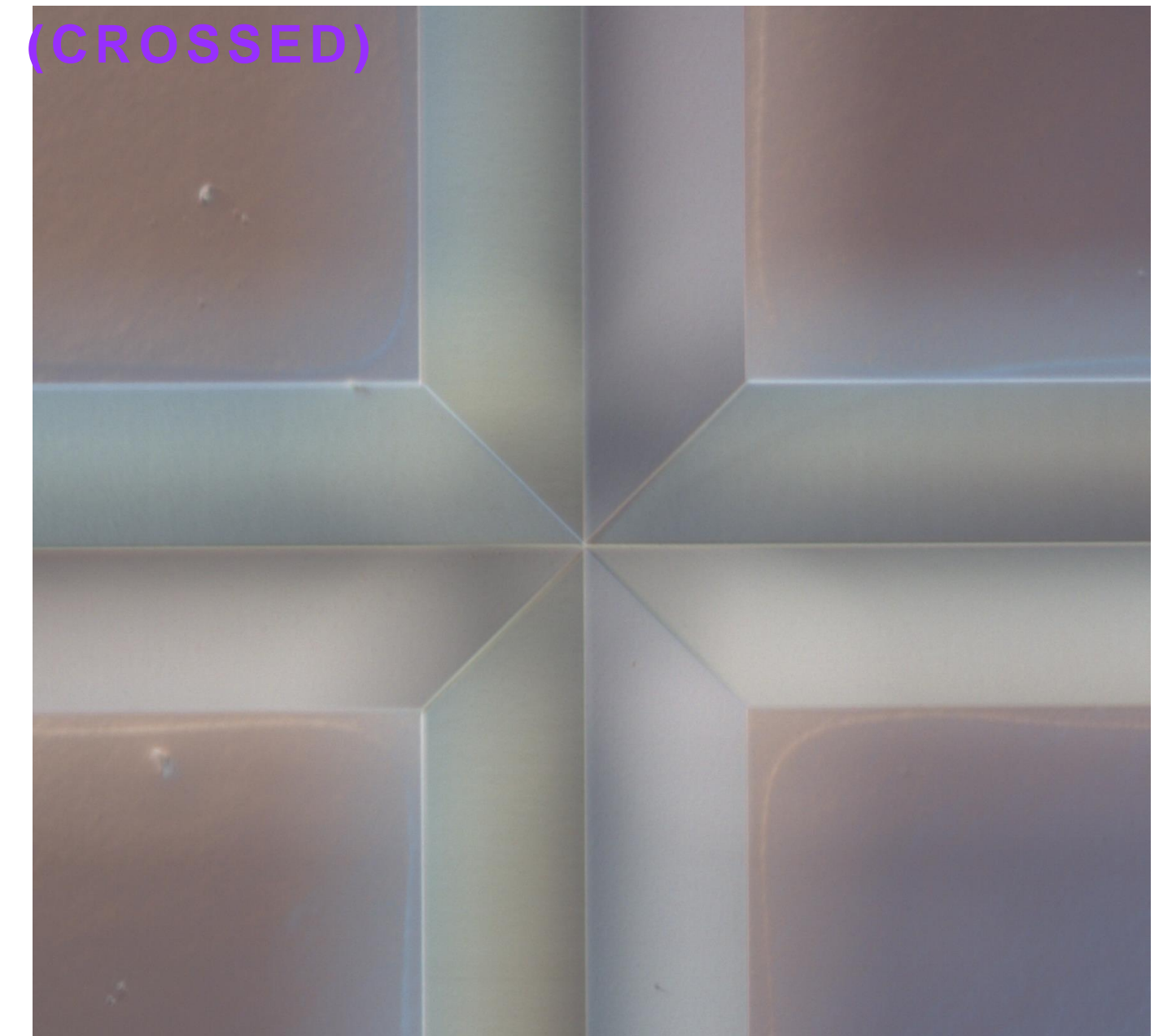


# Grating, Prism structures

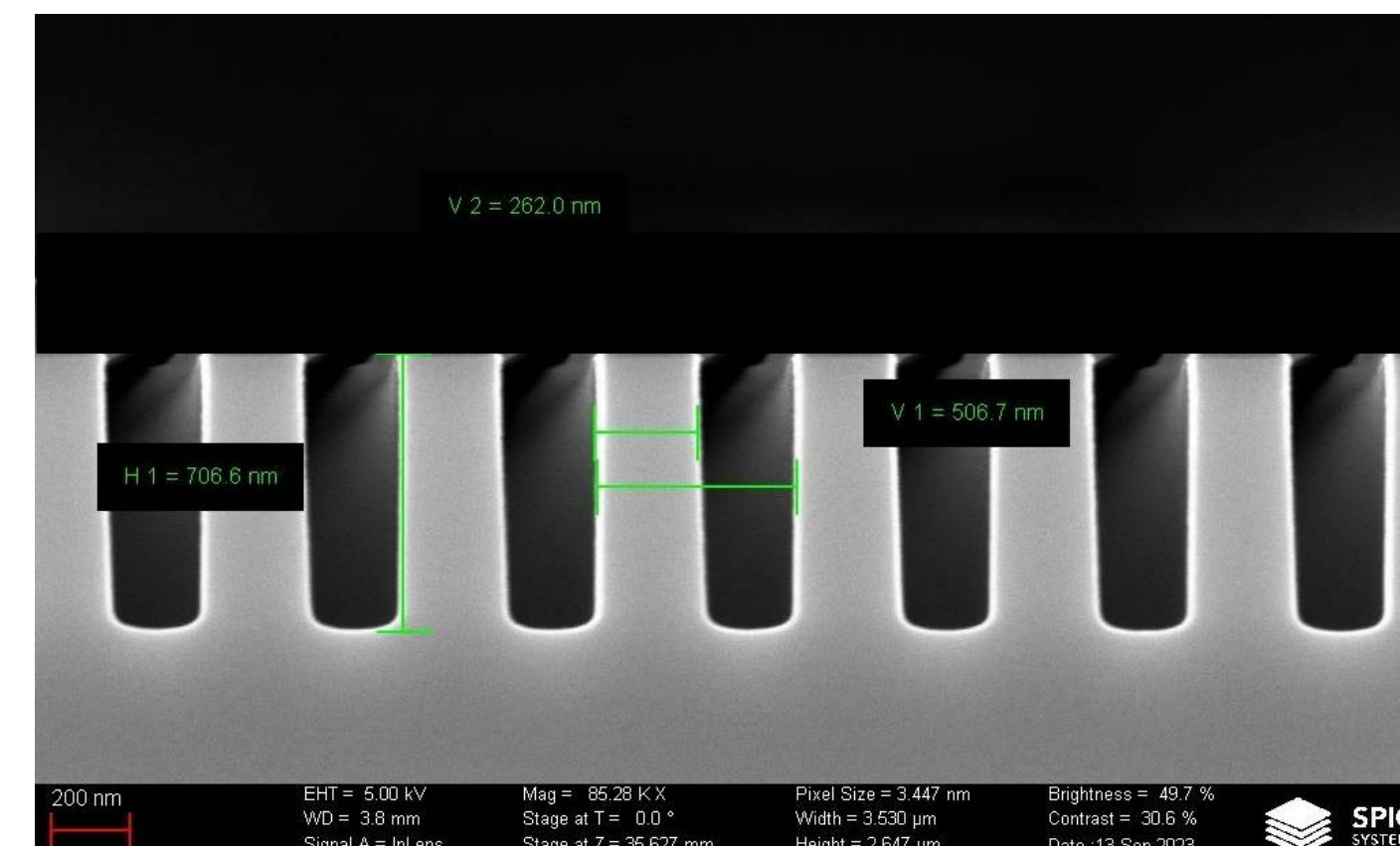
MASTER GRATING: FUSED SILICA REPLICATED GRATING: POLYMER



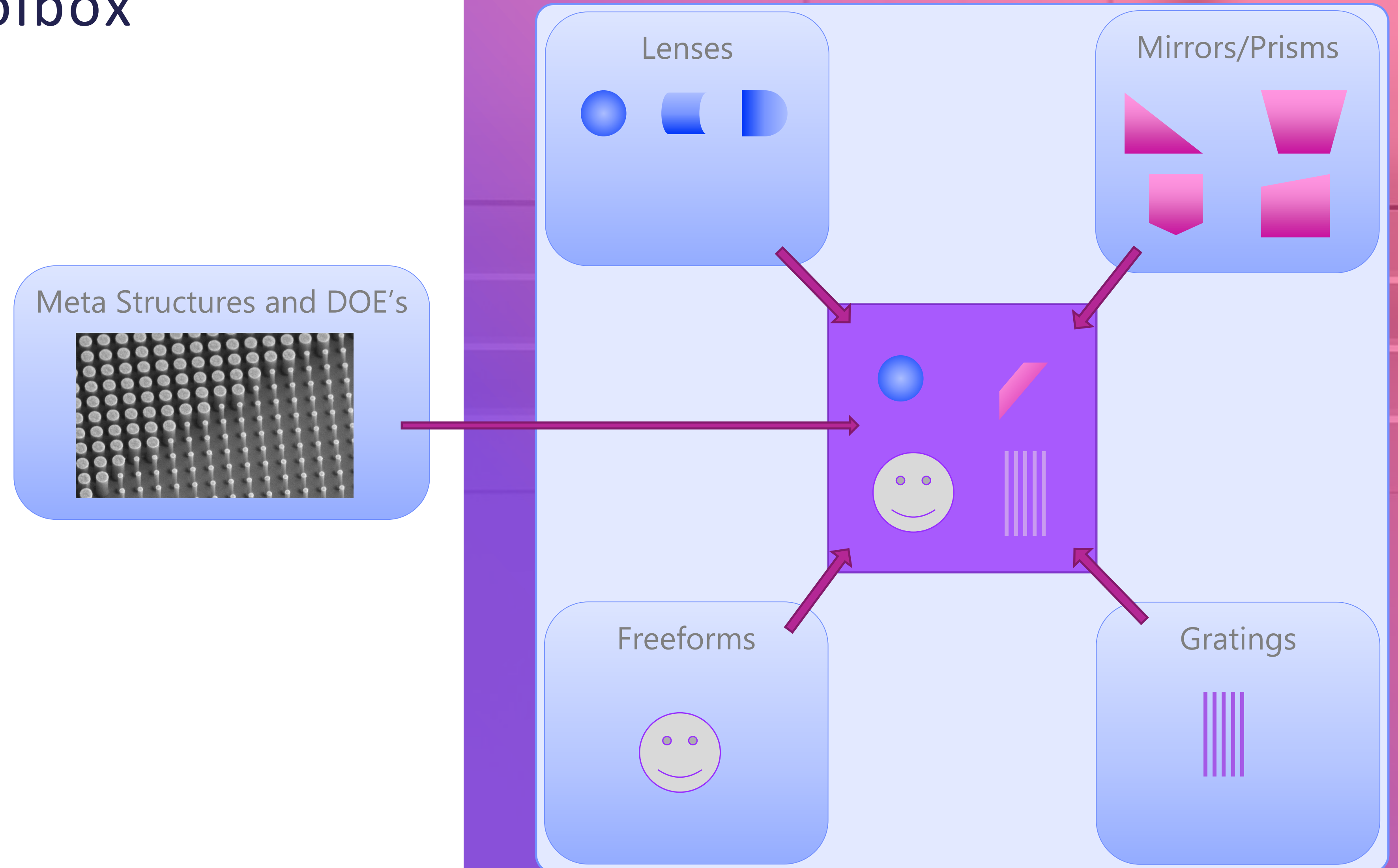
REPLICATED V-GROOVES  
(CROSSED)



REPLICATED GRATING: SPECTROMETER



# What we need in SPIO design toolbox



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# What we need in SPIO process:

AR + HR coatings on polymer:  
Low temperature process

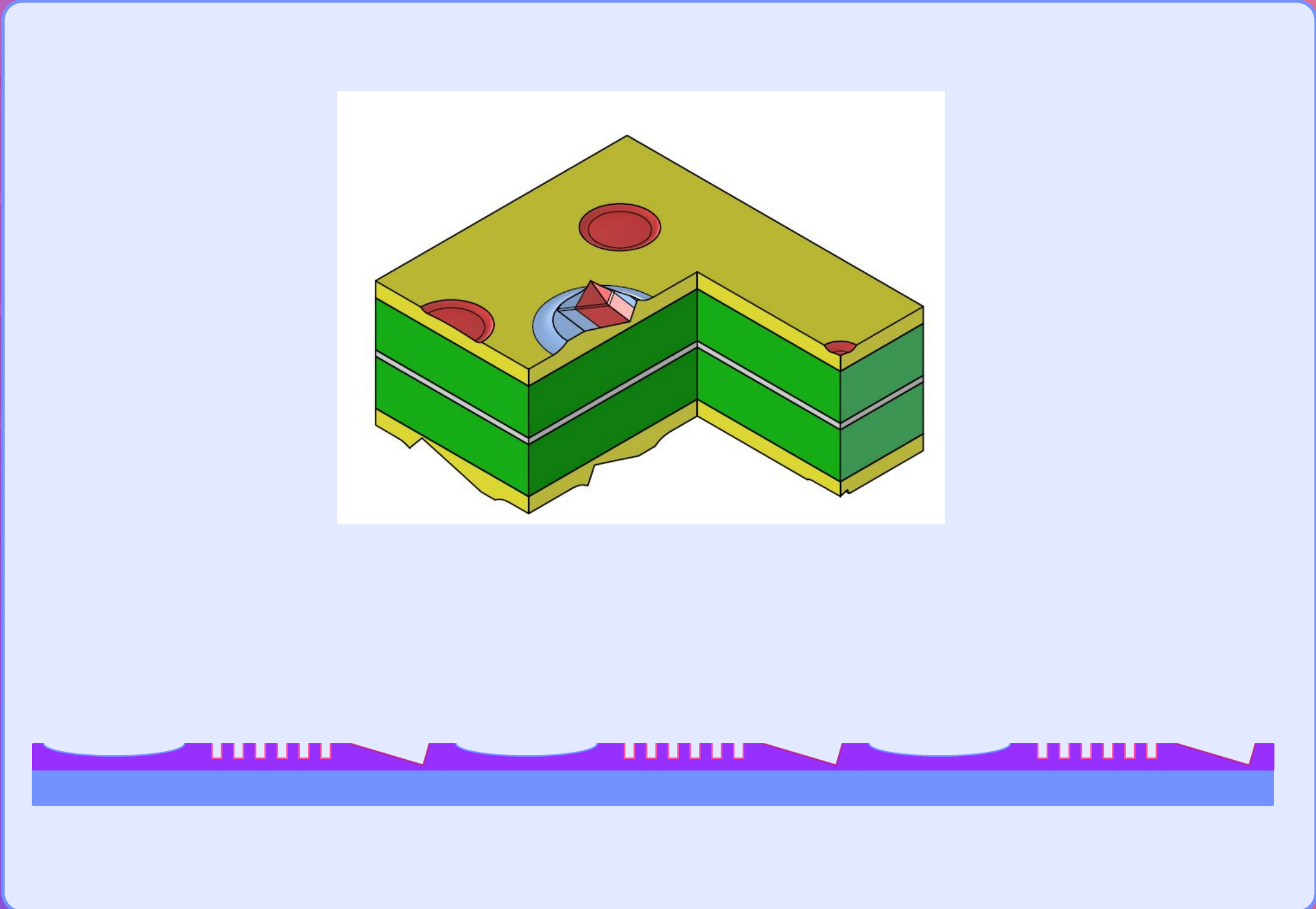
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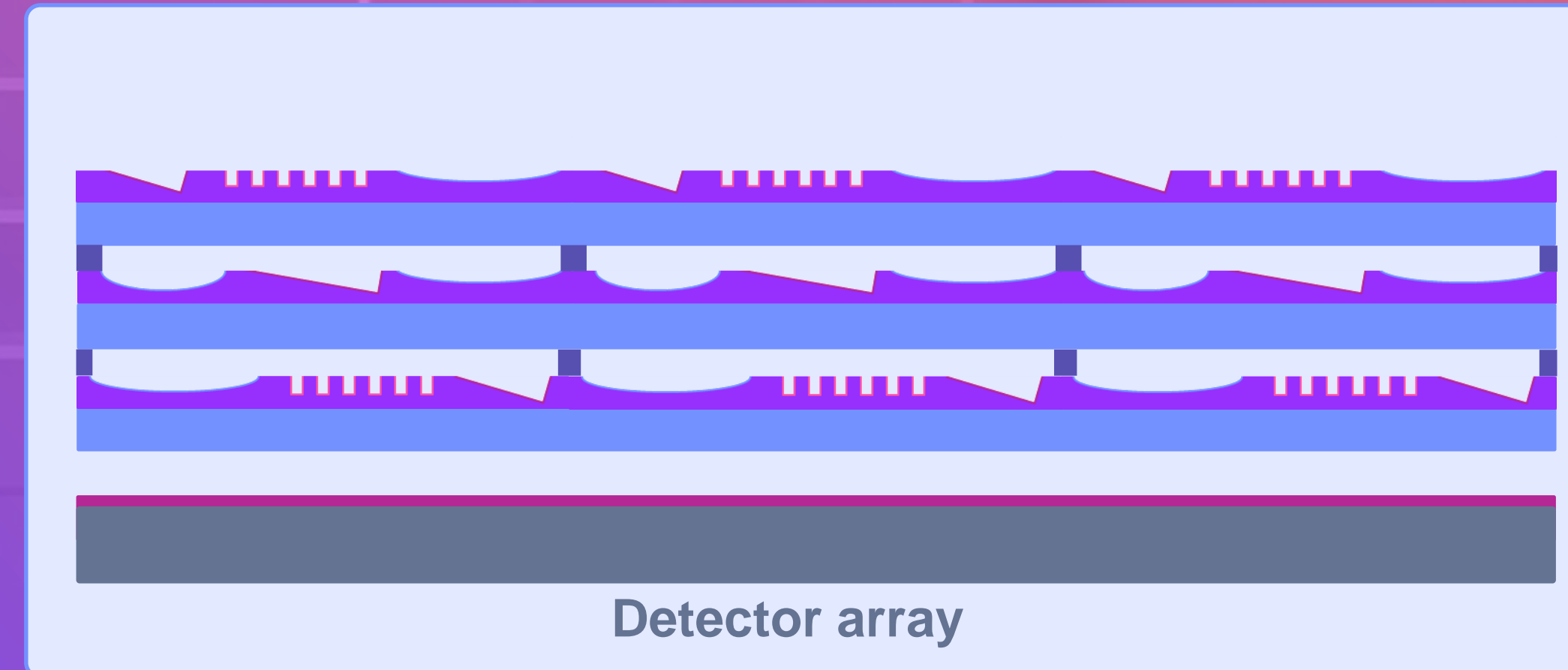
High index resins + low index bonding resin

Integrate detector array on wafer level:  
Si wafer w CMOS

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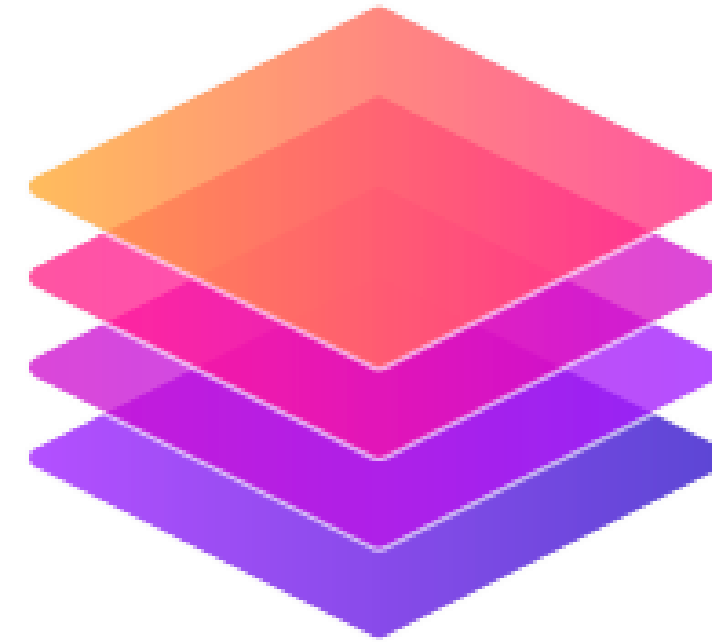
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