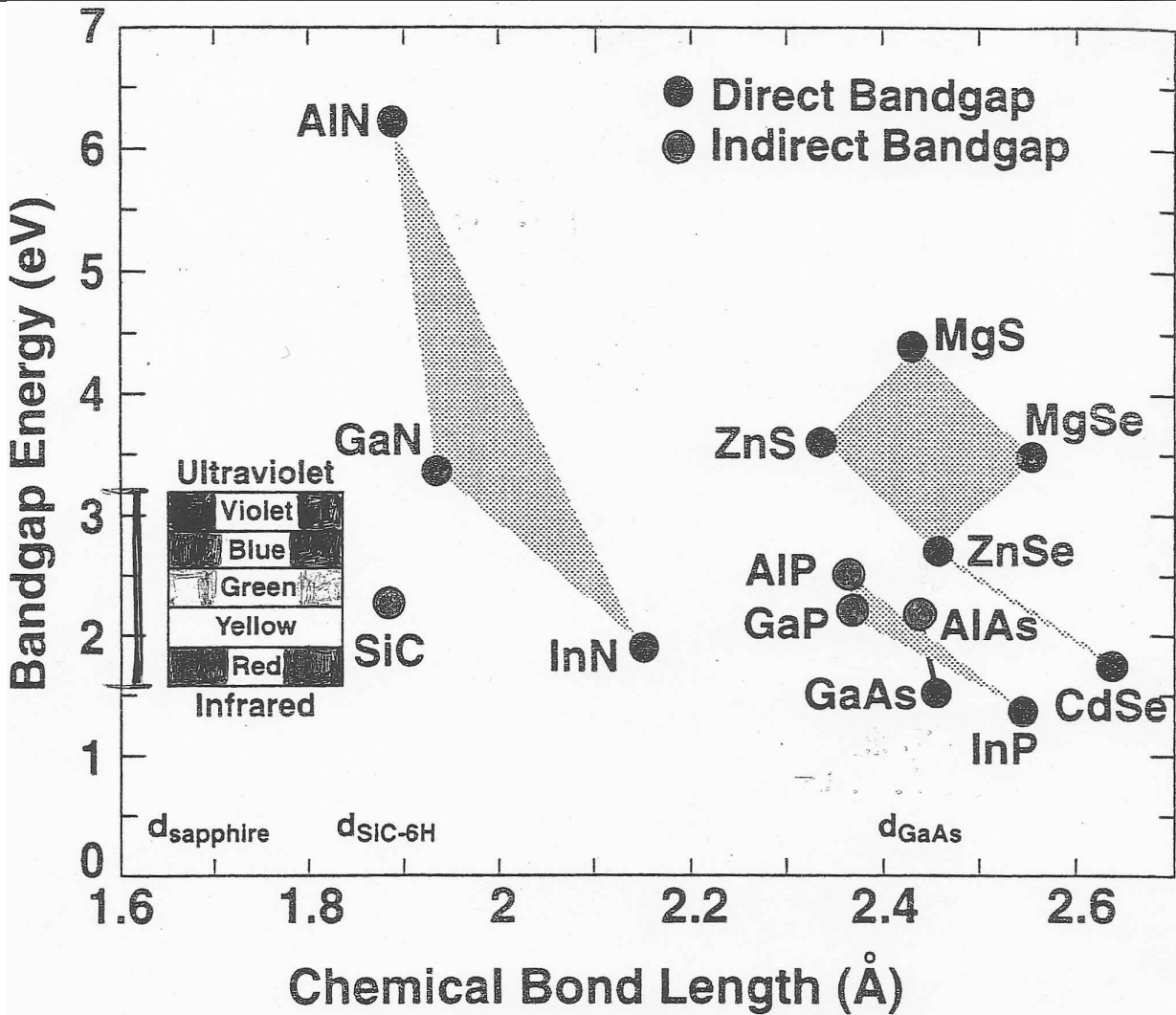
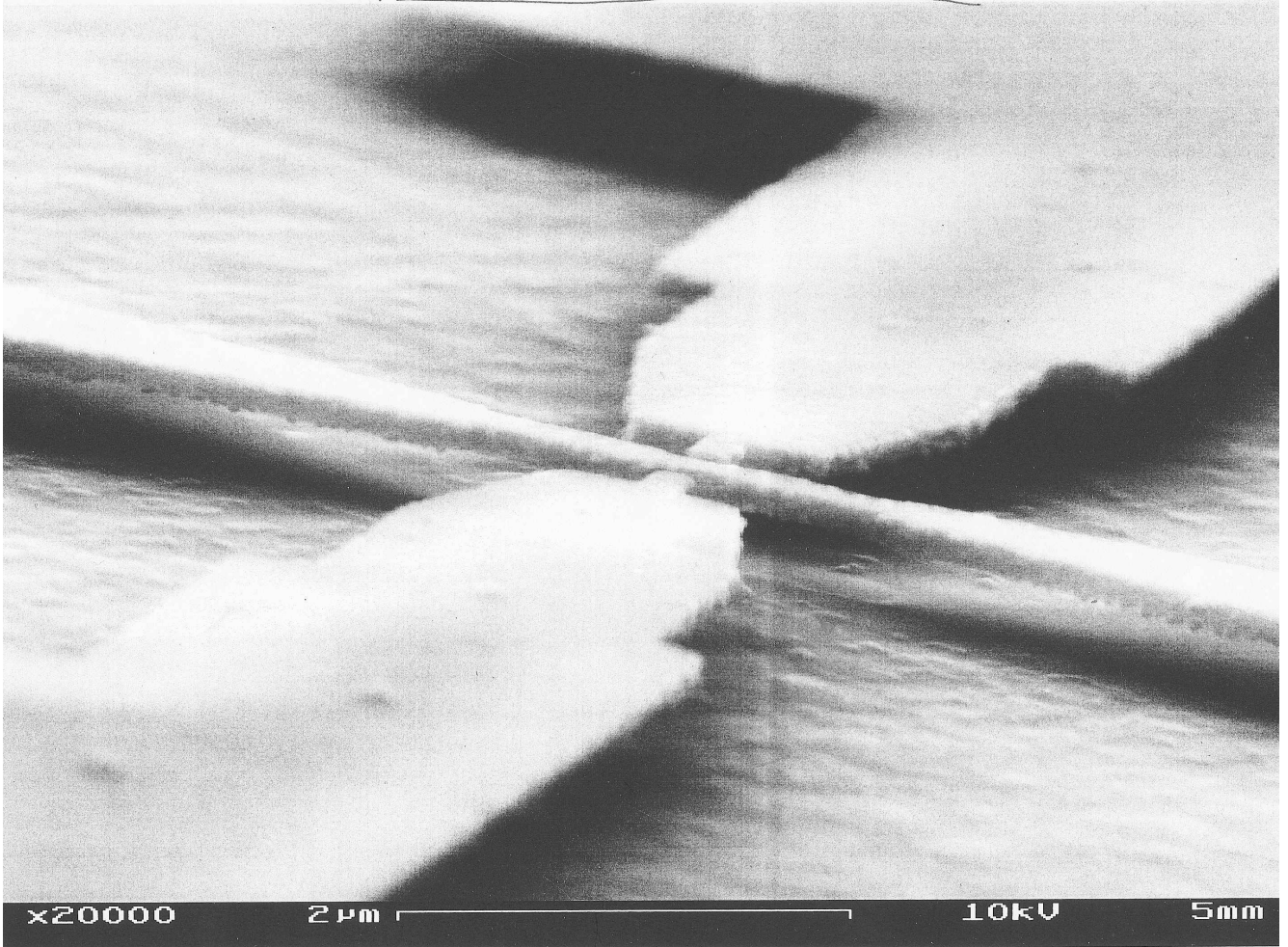


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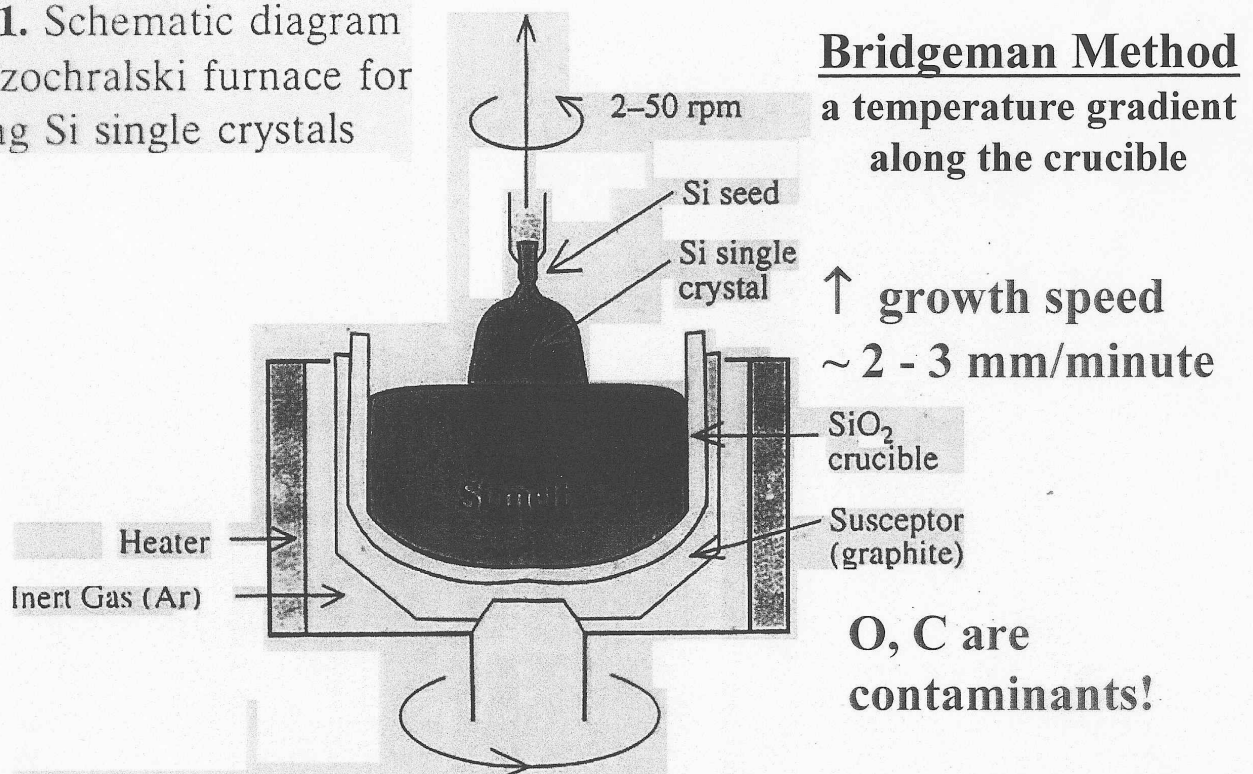


# Growth Techniques

- **Czochralski Method (LEC)** (Bulk Crystals)
- **Chemical Vapor Deposition (CVD)** (Thin films; epitaxial film growth)
  - Metal-Organic Chemical Vapor Deposition (MOCVD)
- **Molecular Beam Epitaxy (MBE)** (Thin films)
- **Liquid Phase Epitaxy (LPE)** (Thin films)

## Czochralski Method

Fig. 1.1. Schematic diagram of a Czochralski furnace for growing Si single crystals



**Liquid-Encapsulated Czochralski (LEC) Method.** As expected, LEC-grown GaAs often contains boron as a contaminant.

# Thin Film Growth

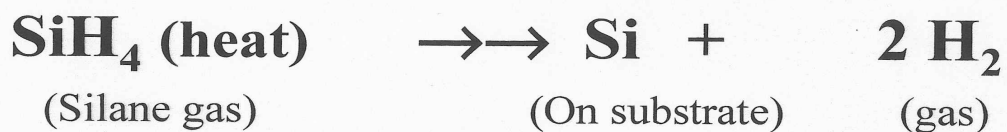
(General)

- **High Quality Film** (1 $\mu\text{m}$  or less thickness) deposited on high quality substrate.
- To **minimize strain**, need crystal structure of film & substrate to be  $\sim$  same (at least very similar)
- Epitaxy: “in an ordered way”  
**Homoepitaxy**: same structure as substrate  
**Heteroepitaxy**: different structure than substrate

## Chemical Vapor Deposition

(CVD)

- **Example reaction:**

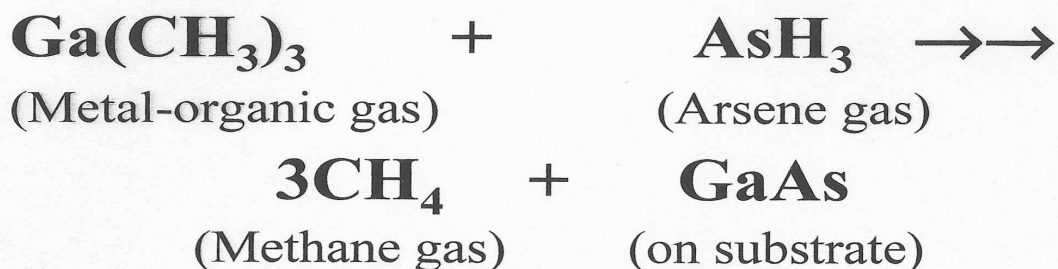


- Reaction occurs in a **sealed container (reactor)**
- **NOTE!!** Silane gas is highly toxic & highly explosive!!
- **NOTE!!** Hydrogen gas is highly explosive!!!!

## Metal-Organic Chemical Vapor Deposition

(MOCVD)

- **Example reaction:**



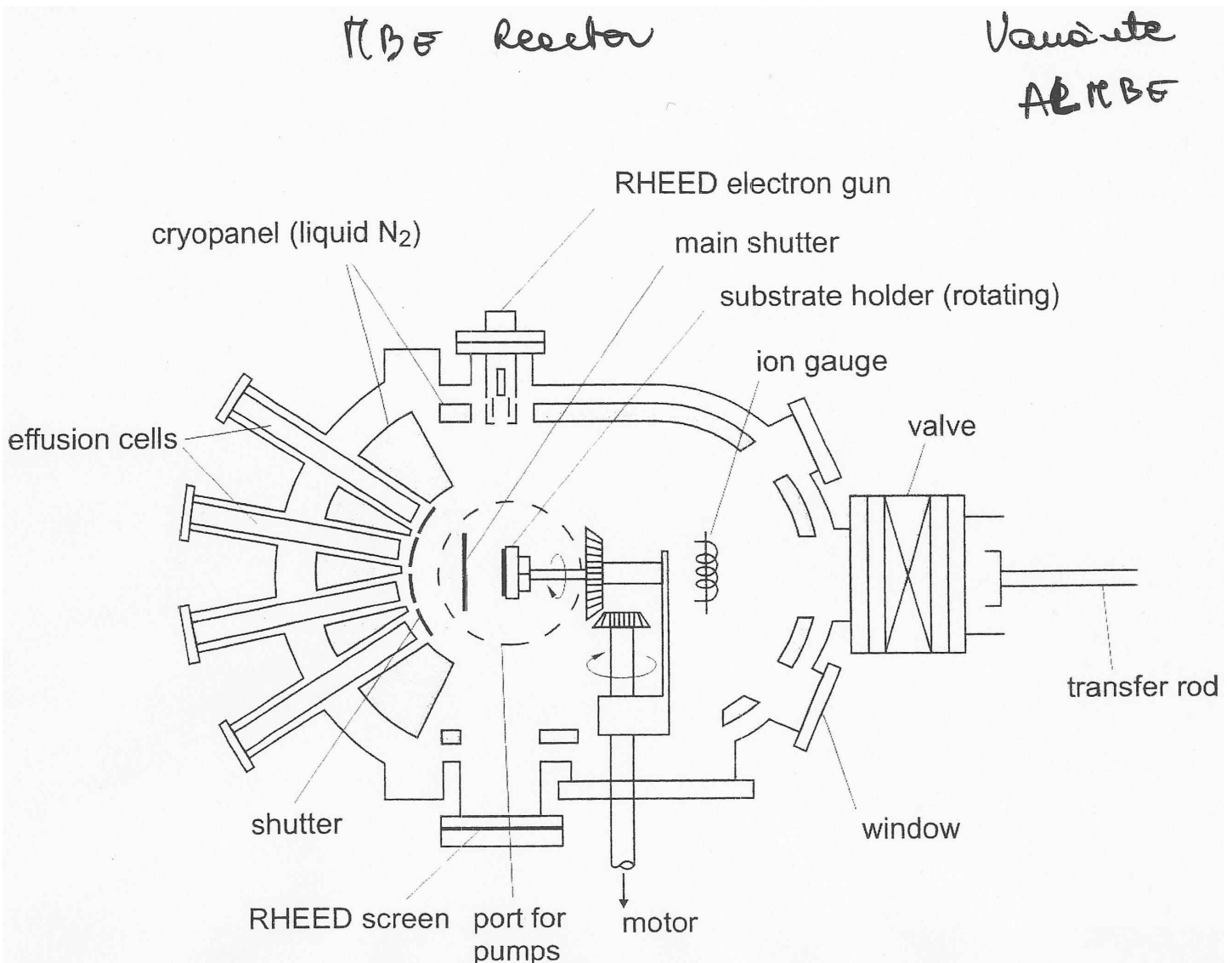
- Reaction occurs in a **sealed container (reactor)**
- **NOTE!!** Arsene gas is highly toxic and highly flammable!!  
Methane gas is highly explosive!

# Molecular Beam Epitaxy (MBE)

- Thin film growth under *ultra high vacuum*.
- Reactants introduced by **molecular beams**.
- Create beams by heating source of material in an effusion (or Knudsen) cell.
- Several sources, several beams of different materials aimed at substrate

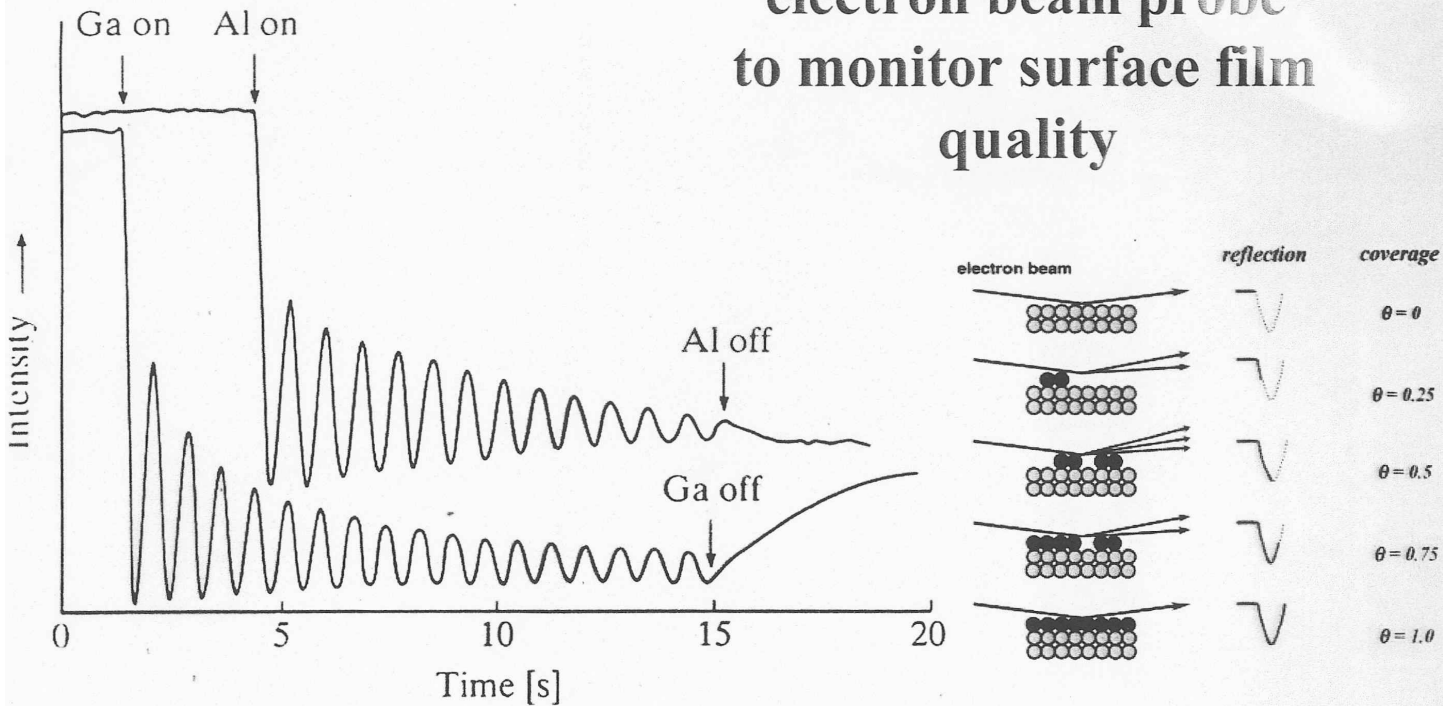
*Can deposit 1 atomic layer or less!*

- A very precisely defined mixture of atoms to give *EXACTLY* the desired material com



# RHEED: Used with MOCVD & MBE

electron beam probe  
to monitor surface film  
quality



One period of oscillation  $\equiv$  growth of one atomic  
layer of GaAs (or whatever material)

## MOCVD vs. MBE

### MBE

- Mainly useful for research lab experiments. Not efficient for mass production!
- High quality *pressure in the reactor  $10^{-11}$  mbar*
- Low growth rate  *$\sim 1 \mu\text{m/h}$*
- High homogeneity

### MOCVD

- Useful for lab experiments and for mass production
- Good-high quality
- High growth rate ( $\sim$ )