

INDUSTRY 4.0 INNOVATION IN SEMICONDUCTOR PLANNING AND OPERATIONS

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ABSTRACT

Industry 4.0 innovations in smart manufacturing and AI have demonstrated impact at scale in manufacturing semiconductor industry. The big data technology concept was started in quality and yield improvement. However, much attention was not given to planning and scheduling of semiconductor industry, which is a key of productivity improvement and customer demand satisfaction. Micron Technology is a world leader of semiconductor memory and data storage and has an initiative to drive Industry 4.0 for planning and scheduling pillar with smart manufacturing and artificial intelligence. This keynote will introduce the evolutionary steps of planning and scheduling systems to support smart manufacturing and digital transformation that leads to streamlined planning and scheduling to drive the productivity improvement and demand satisfaction using digital twin, optimization, artificial intelligence.

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