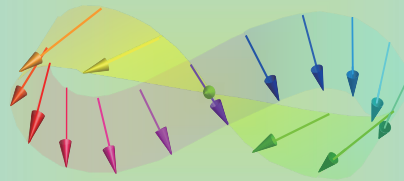


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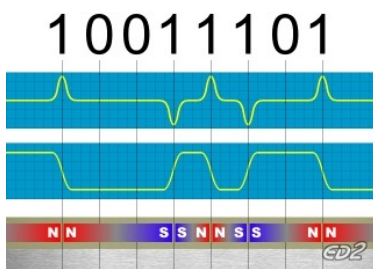


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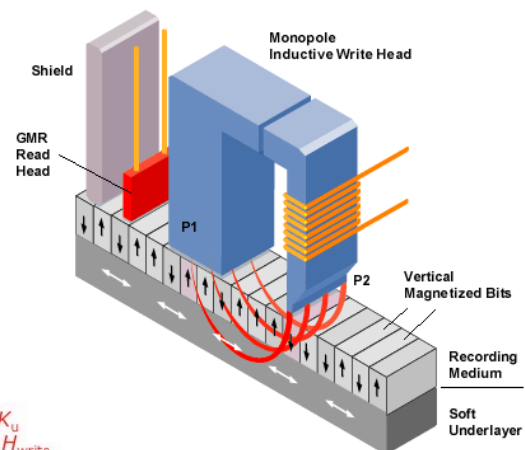
### Quick Review over the Last Lecture

Recording data onto a HDD :

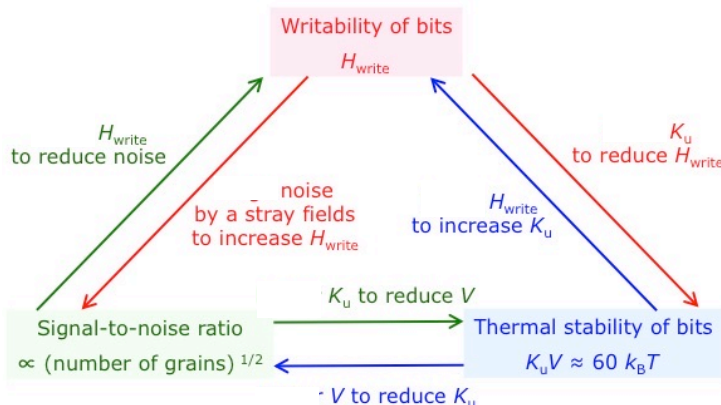


Perpendicular recording :

From Computer Desktop Encyclopedia  
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Requirements for higher-density recording :



\* <http://www.kayoo.info/jyouhou-kiki/sozai/1504/index.html>

\*\* <http://www.hitachigst.com/>

# 05 Energy Assisted Recording

- Thermal fluctuation
  - Areal density
- Anisotropic materials
  - Writing field
- Energy assist
  - HAMR
  - MAMR



## Thermal Fluctuation

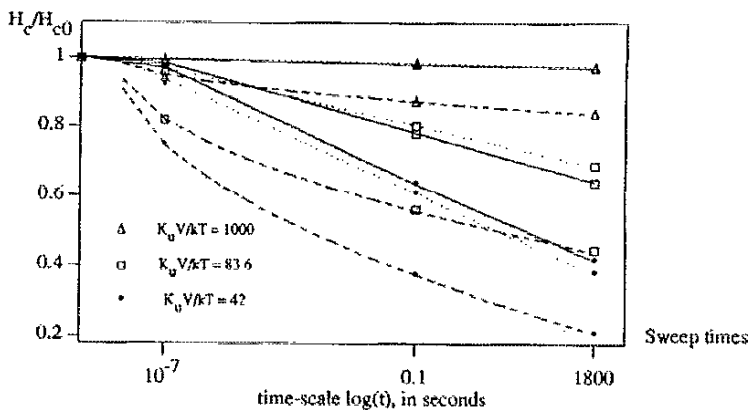
Thermal stability of recorded data bits :

can be defined by the competition between

- Thermal energy :  
(  $k_B$  : Boltzmann constant and  $T$  : absolute temperature)
- Magnetic energy :  
(  $K_u$  : magnetic uniaxial anisotropy constant and  $V$  : grain volume)

$K_u V / k_B T$  determines a signal-to-noise ratio for the bit read-out.

Monte Carlo simulations were carried out to determine the minimum requirement for 30-year recording : \*



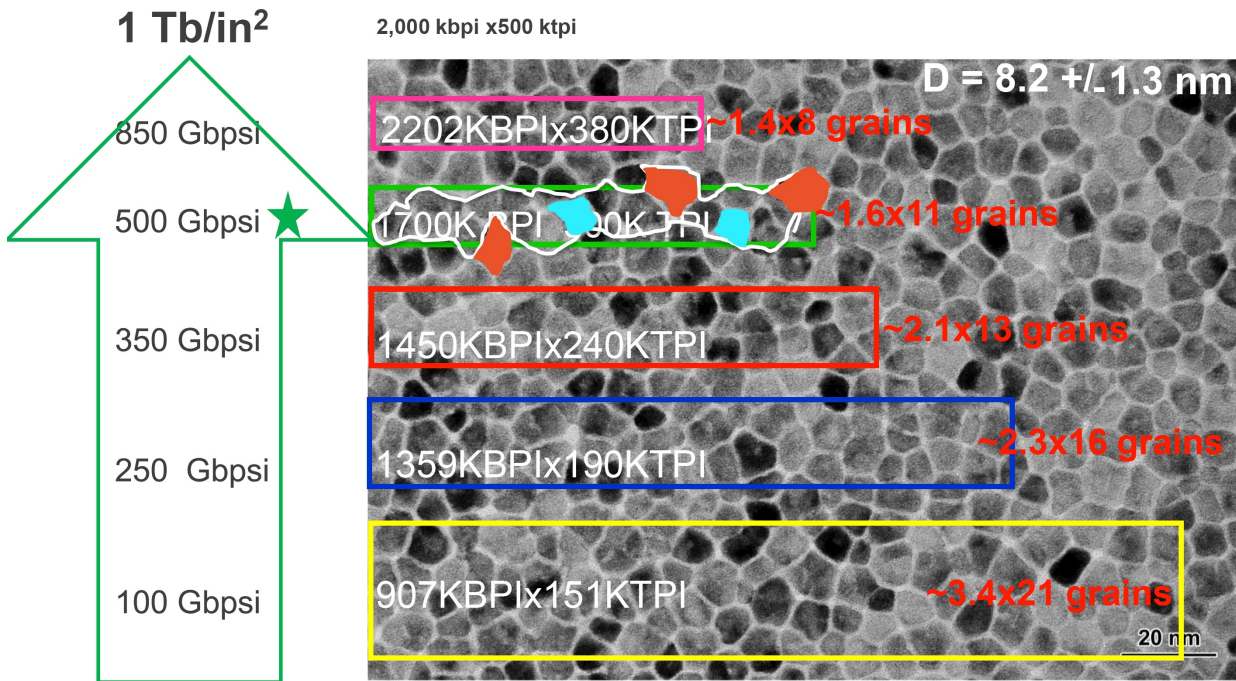
Minimum requirement :  
 $> 60$

\* P.-L. Lu and S. H. Charap, *J. Appl. Phys.* **75**, 5768 (1994).



# For Higher Areal Density ...

Areal Density  $\equiv$  TPI \* BPI (Tracks Per Inch X Bits Per Inch)



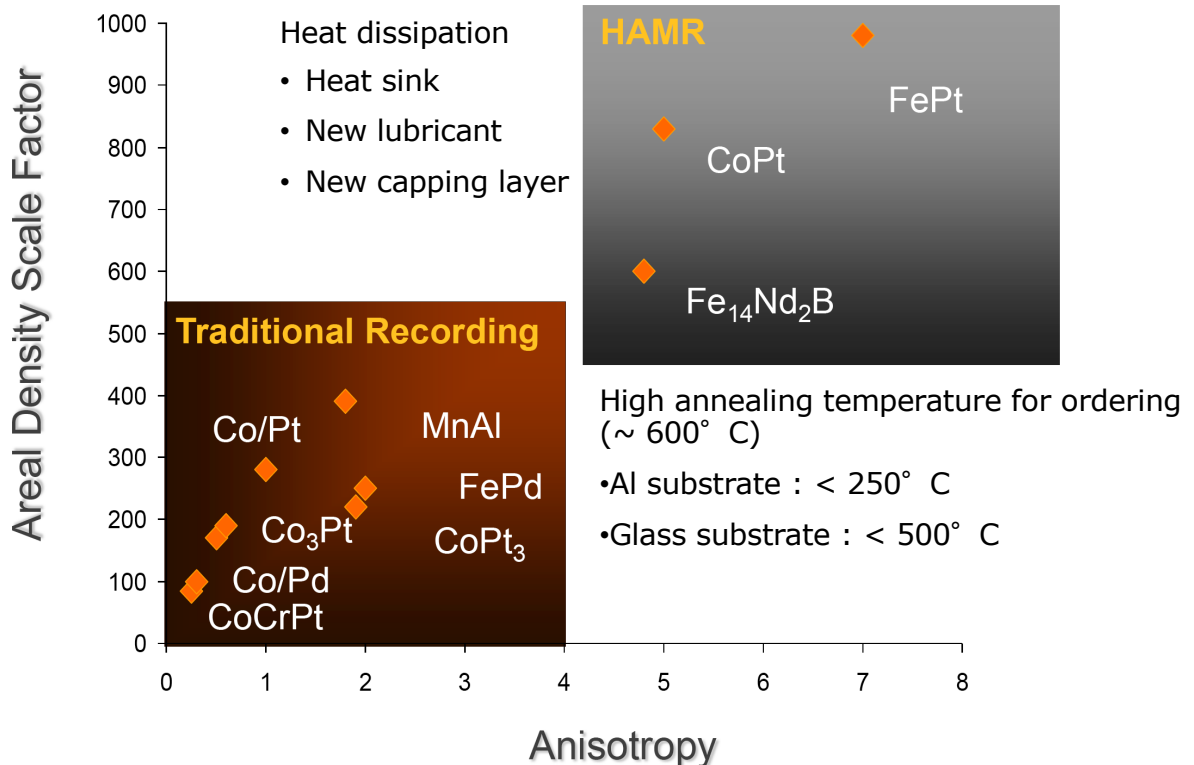
Decreasing Bit Size  $\rightarrow$  Increase Areal Density

\* <http://www.seagate.com/>



# To Reduce Grain Volume ...

Highly anisotropic ferromagnetic materials are required : \*

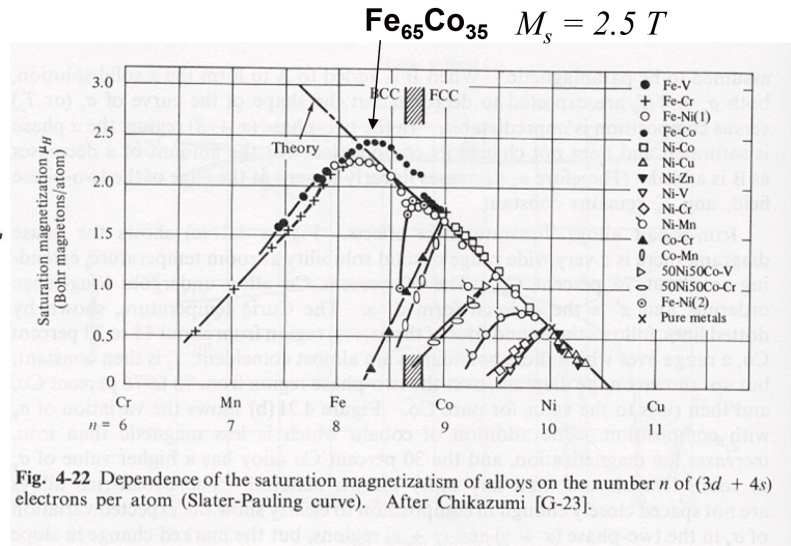
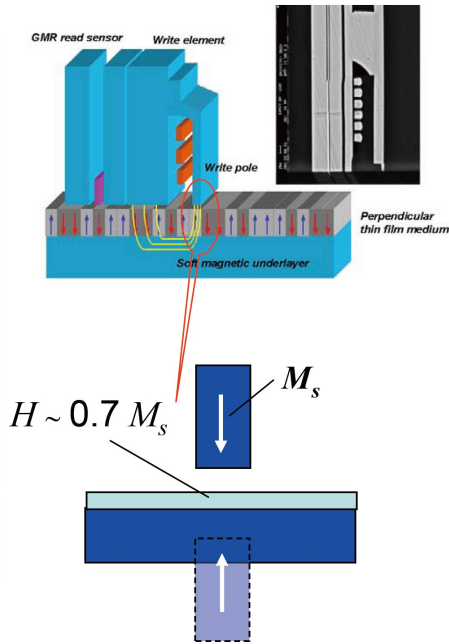


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# Maximum Writing Field

Writing a data bit in a HDD uses a stray field from the write head : \*



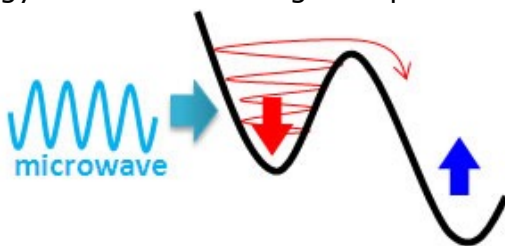
\* <http://www.idema.org/wp-content/downloads/1856.pdf>



# Writing on Highly Anisotropic Grains

In order to write data bits onto highly anisotropic grains :

Energy-assisted recording is required to overcome the energy barrier of . \*



These energy can be either heat or microwave.

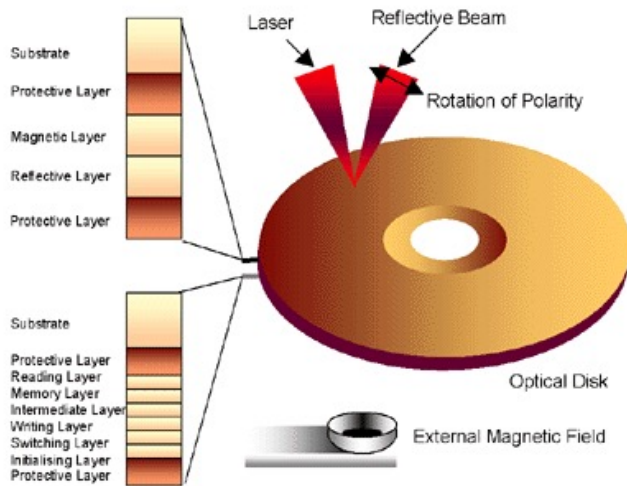
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## Heat Assist

In 1954, RCA filed a principle patent to use heat with a magnetic field for recording.

In 1980s, magneto-optical (MO) disks utilised the heat-assist mechanism. \*



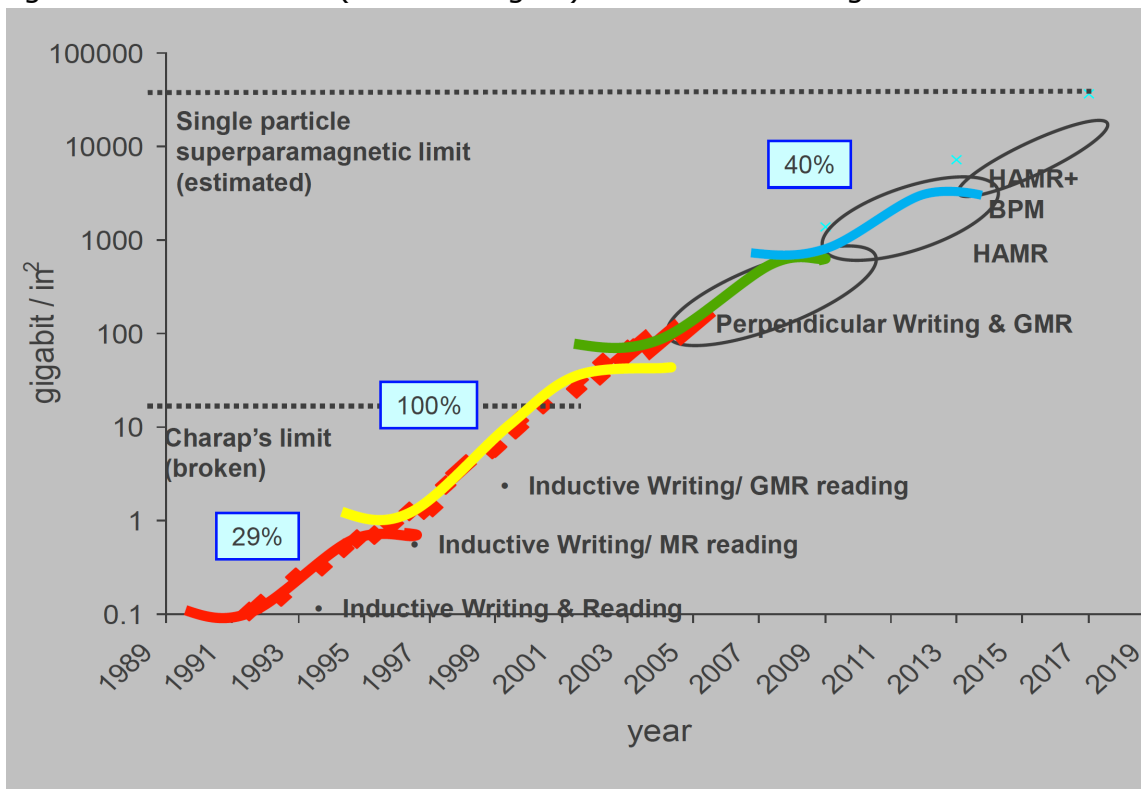
Since ~ 2002, HDD manufacturers started to develop heat-assisted magnetic recording (HAMR) to overcome the superparamagnetic limit.

\* <http://www.cdrinfo.com/Sections/Reviews/Print.aspx?ArticleId=1427>



## Heat-Assisted Magnetic Recording (HAMR)

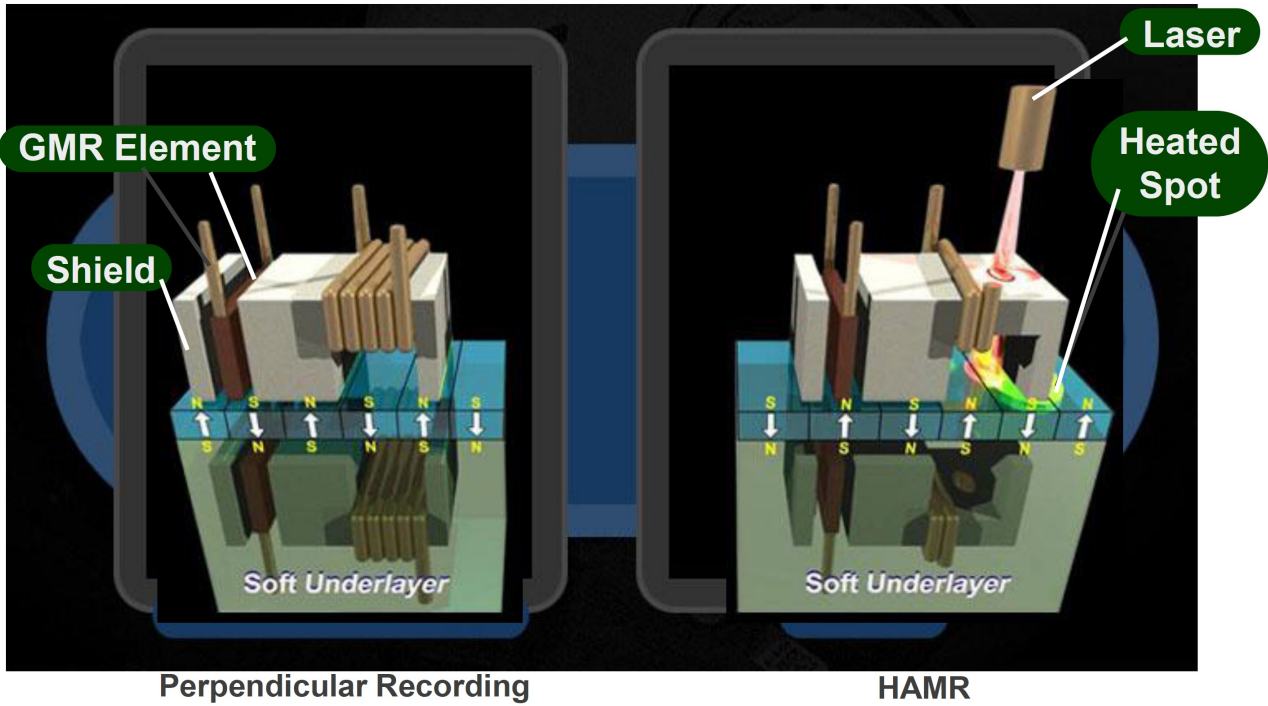
Seagate and Hitachi GST (Western Digital) have been working on HAMR : \*



\* <http://www.seagate.com/>



## New HAMR Head



\* <http://www.seagate.com/>



## Near-Field Optics

Laser light to be introduced using near-field optics : \*

Temperature requirement :      ° C  
rise / fall time

Distance between the light source and the disk :      nm

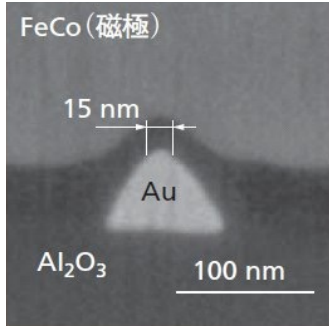


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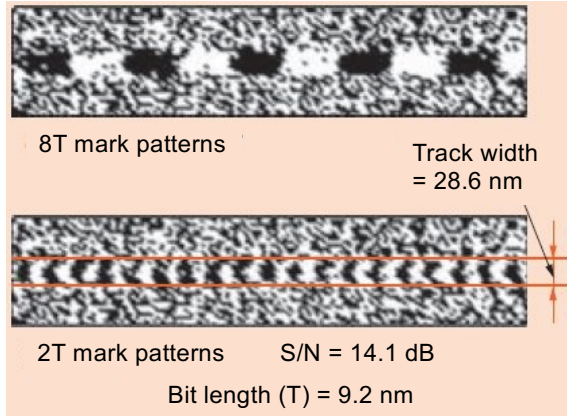


# HAMR Writing Simulations

Hitachi GST demonstrated a new HAMR head : \*



Simulated bit patterns : \*



\* [http://digital.hitachihyeron.com/pdf/2011/01/2011\\_01\\_tenbo06.pdf](http://digital.hitachihyeron.com/pdf/2011/01/2011_01_tenbo06.pdf)



# HAMR Latest Development

In 2012, TDK demonstrated a new HAMR head : \*

1.5 Tbits/inch<sup>2</sup>

1350 kBPI × 1113 kTPI

Bit-error rate (BER) : 10<sup>-2</sup>



Seagate also demonstrated a new HAMR drive : \*\*



\* <http://techon.nikkeibp.co.jp/article/NEWS/20121001/243091/?ST=device>

\*\* <http://www.forbes.com/sites/tomcoughlin/2012/08/22/digital-storage-our-only-hope/>



## HAMR Latest Development

In 2018, Seagate demonstrated a new HAMR HDD : \*



\* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aUHAd36BDTc&app=desktop>



## HAMR Product

In 2021, Seagate shipped HAMR HDD : \*

**Seagate confirms 20TB HAMR hard disk drives have been shipped**

By Desire Athow

First Published 9 months ago



But you won't be able to buy them just yet



(Image credit: Future)

“The HAMR technology that powers this new hard disk drive is expected to be at the core of Seagate's ambition to deliver a 50TB hard disk drive by 2026.”

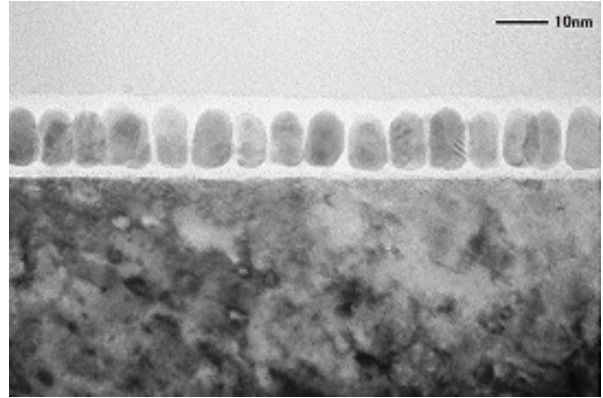
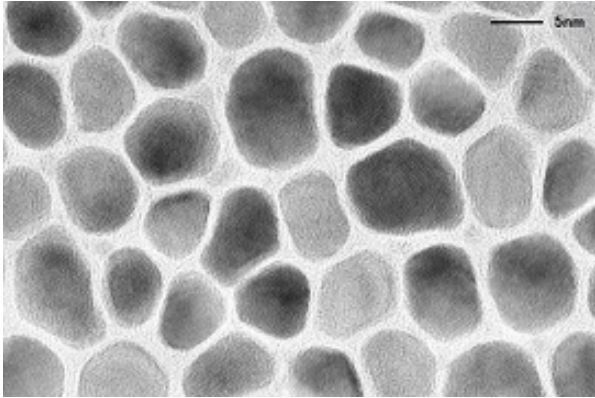
\* <https://www.techradar-com.cdn.ampproject.org/c/s/www.techradar.c...ws/seagate-confirms-20tb-hamr-hard-disk-drives-have-been-shipped>





# HAMR Media Development

In 2020, Showa Denko announced a new HDD media with Fe-Pt : \*

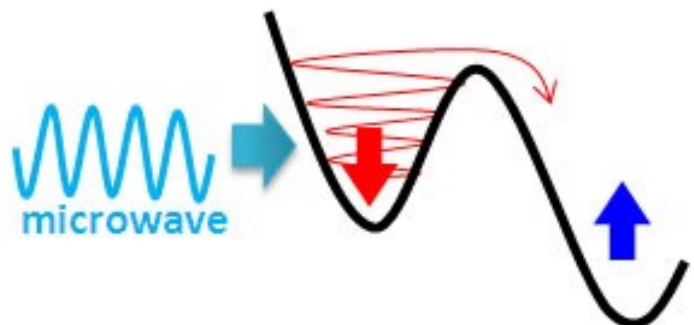
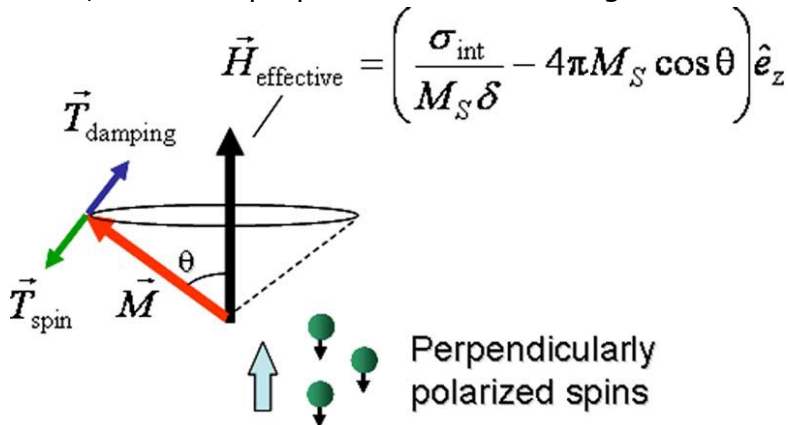


\* <https://www.sdk.co.jp/news/2020/37881.html>



# Microwave-Assisted Magnetic Recording (MAMR)

In 2007, J.-G. Zhu proposed to use ferromagnetic resonance (FMR) to recording : \*, \*\*



\* <http://www.ece.cmu.edu/>

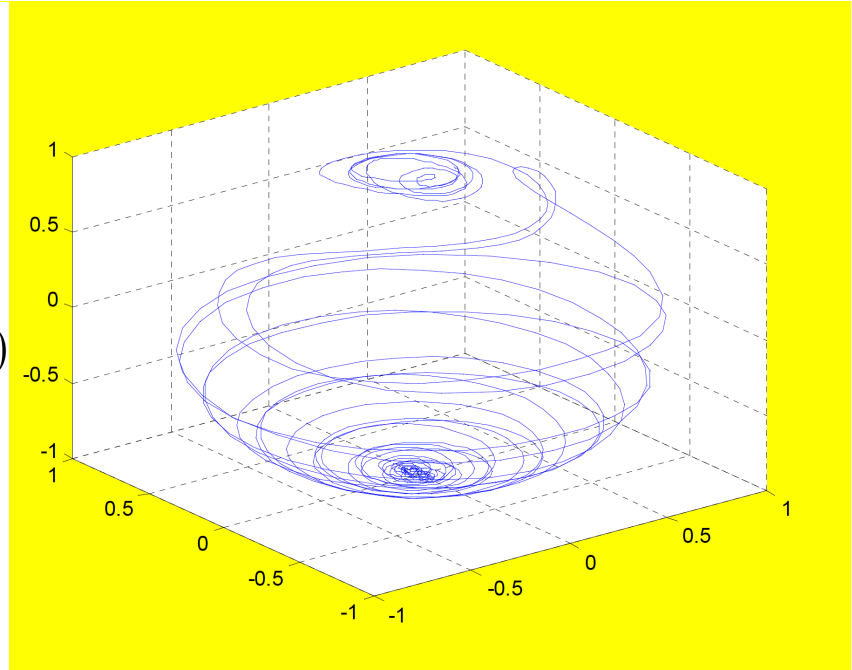
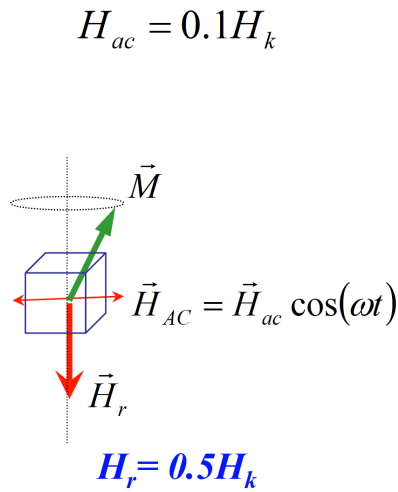
\*\* J.-G. Zhu, H. Zhu and Y. Tang, *IEEE Trans. Magn.* **44**, 125 (2008);

\*\*\* [http://www.tagen.tohoku.ac.jp/labo/kitakami/J/research\\_j/research\\_j.html](http://www.tagen.tohoku.ac.jp/labo/kitakami/J/research_j/research_j.html)



# AC Field Recording

AC magnetic field can write a bit with much smaller amplitude : \*

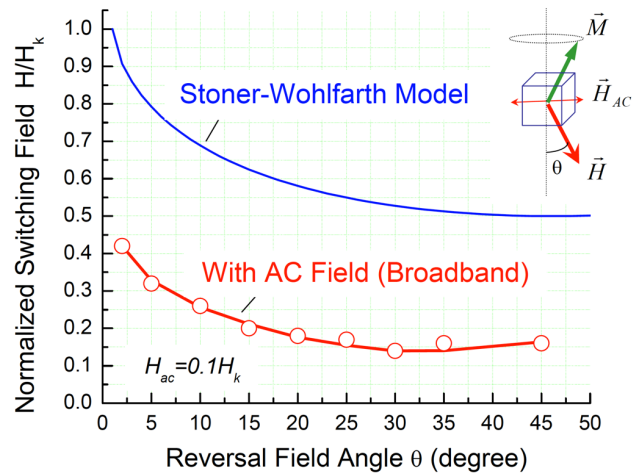
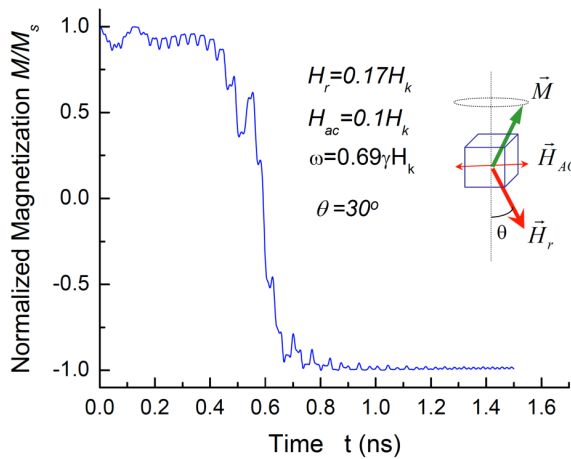


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# AC Field Magnetisation Switching

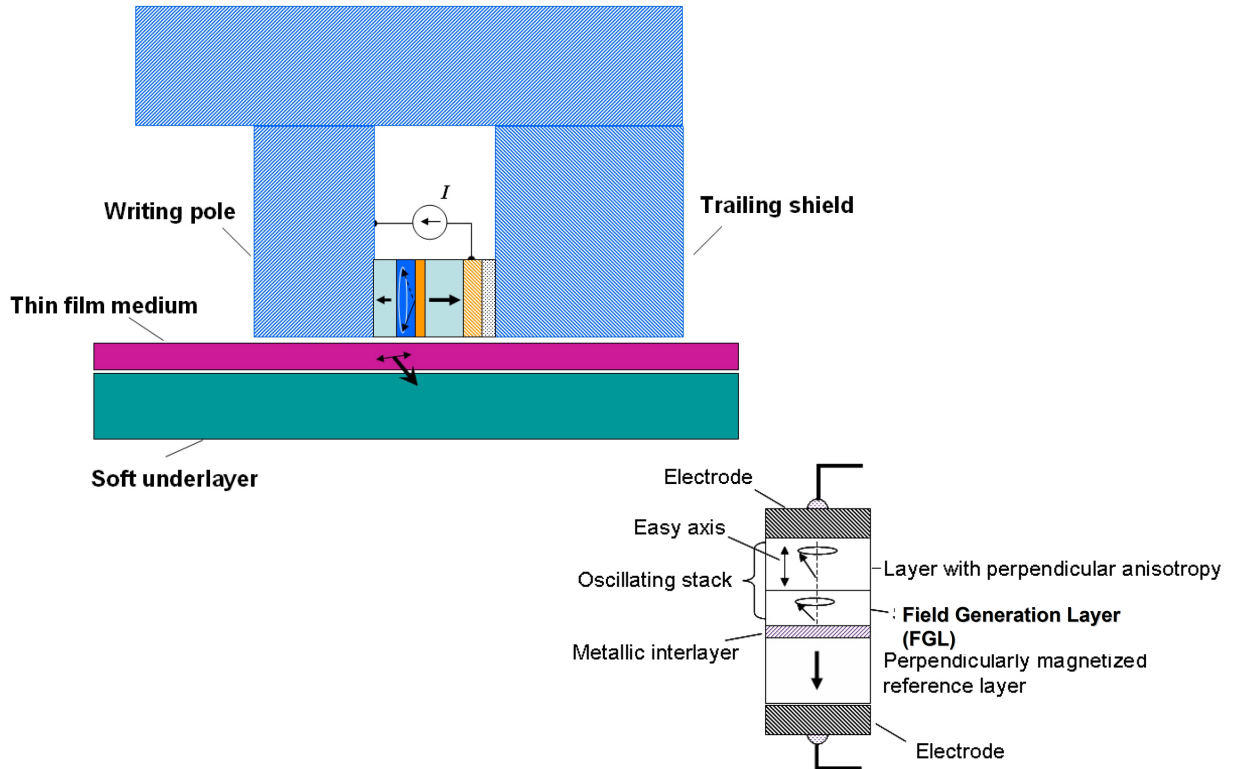
Fast magnetisation reversal can be achieved by an ac magnetic field : \*



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# MAMR Head

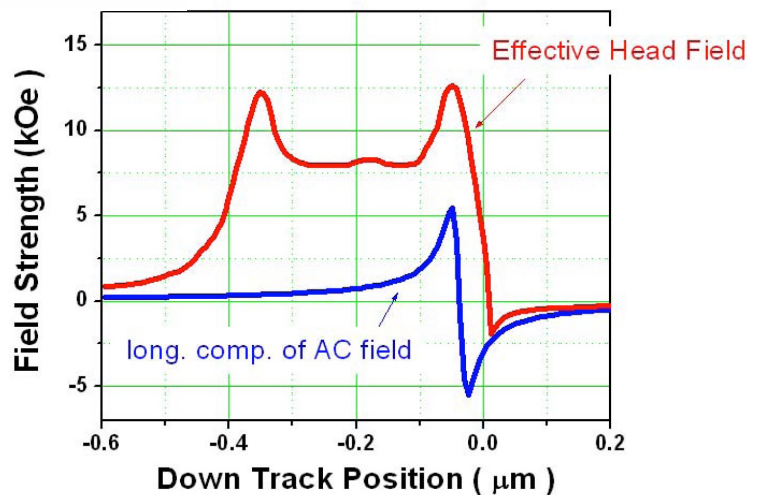
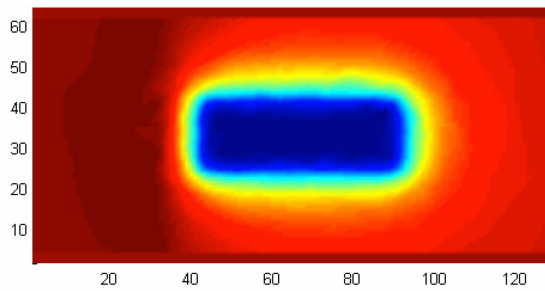
Microwave to be generated by a spin-torque oscillator : \*



\* <http://www.idema.org/wp-content/downloads/1856.pdf>

# MAMR Writing Simulations

Physical write head track width : 120 nm \*



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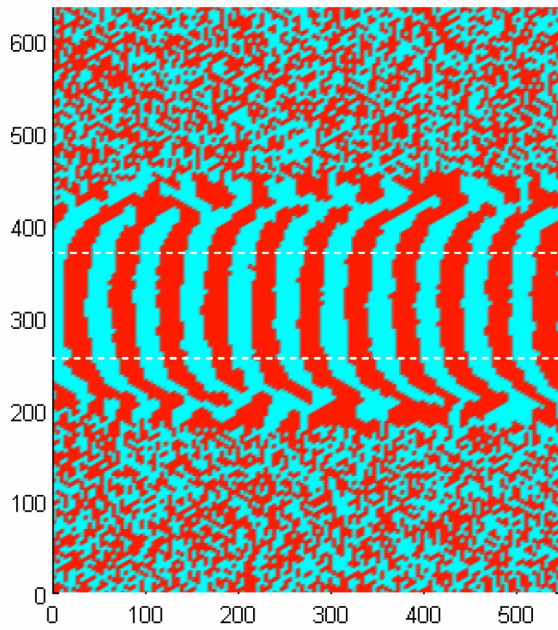


## Comparison with the Current Technology

Conventional recording : \*

$$H_{\text{head}} = 12 \text{ kOe}$$

$$H_K = 10 \text{ kOe}$$

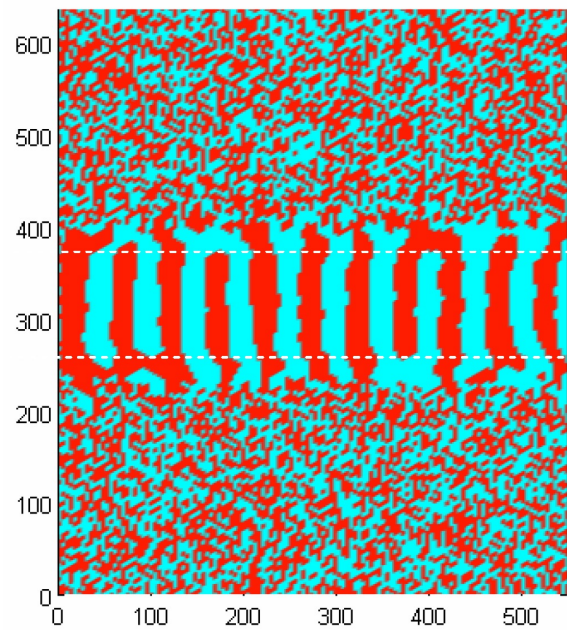


MAMR : \*

$$H_{\text{head}} = 12 \text{ kOe}$$

$$H_K = 30 \text{ kOe}$$

$$f = 32 \text{ GHz and } H_{\text{ac}} = 3 \text{ kOe}$$

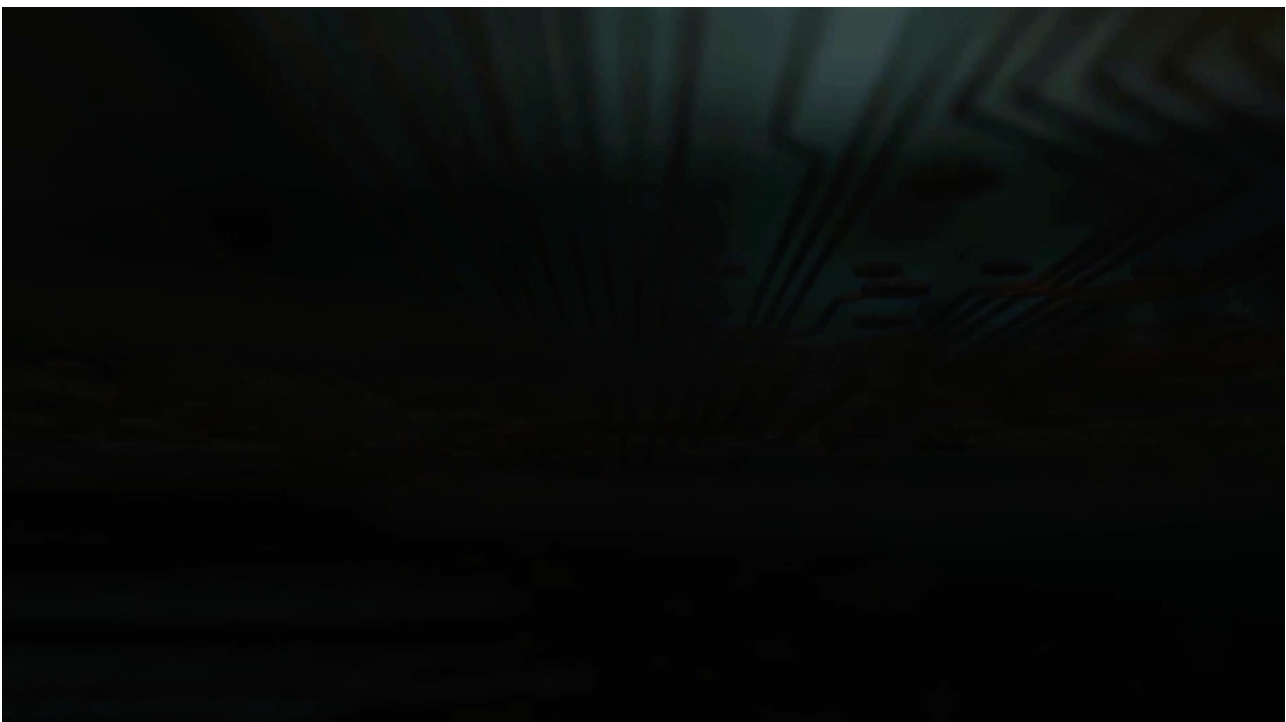


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## MAMR Latest Development

Western Digital plans to introduce a new MAMR HDD : \*



\* <https://www.extremetech.com/computing/283200-western-digital-plans-first-16gb-mamr-hdds-in-2019>



## MAMR Product

In 2021, Toshiba shipped a MAMR HDD : \*

### Product Specification

Form Factor	3.5-inch	
Buffer Size	512MiB	
Rotation Speed	7200rpm	
Data Transfer Speed (Sustained)(Typ.)	268MiB/s	
Power Consumption (Idle-A)(Typ.)	SATA	4.16W
	SAS	4.54W
MTTF/AFR	2 500 000h/0.35%	
Weight (Max)	720g	



\* <https://toshiba.semicon-storage.com/ap-en/storage/product/data-center-enterprise/cloud-scale-capacity/articles/mg09-series.html>



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