

# The Latest High-Speed Imaging Technologies and Applications

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# What is the High-Speed Imaging?

- Involves use of video cameras that record at high frame rates and play back at slower rates
- Also called “slow motion imaging”
- Focus of this presentation is on 2-D array cameras that directly create videos(not line scanning , not multi-frame cameras)
- Generally in the 30fps – 100, 000fps



# The Two Competing Reasons of High-Speed Imaging

- Generation of high-quality images
  - Qualitative review of a process
  - Stop-action slow motion replay
  - Find artifacts
  - Entertainment

Collection of images for extraction and calculation of motion(i.e. “motion analysis”)

- Enables video cameras to become non-contact test devices, analogous to oscilloscopes



# Example Videos

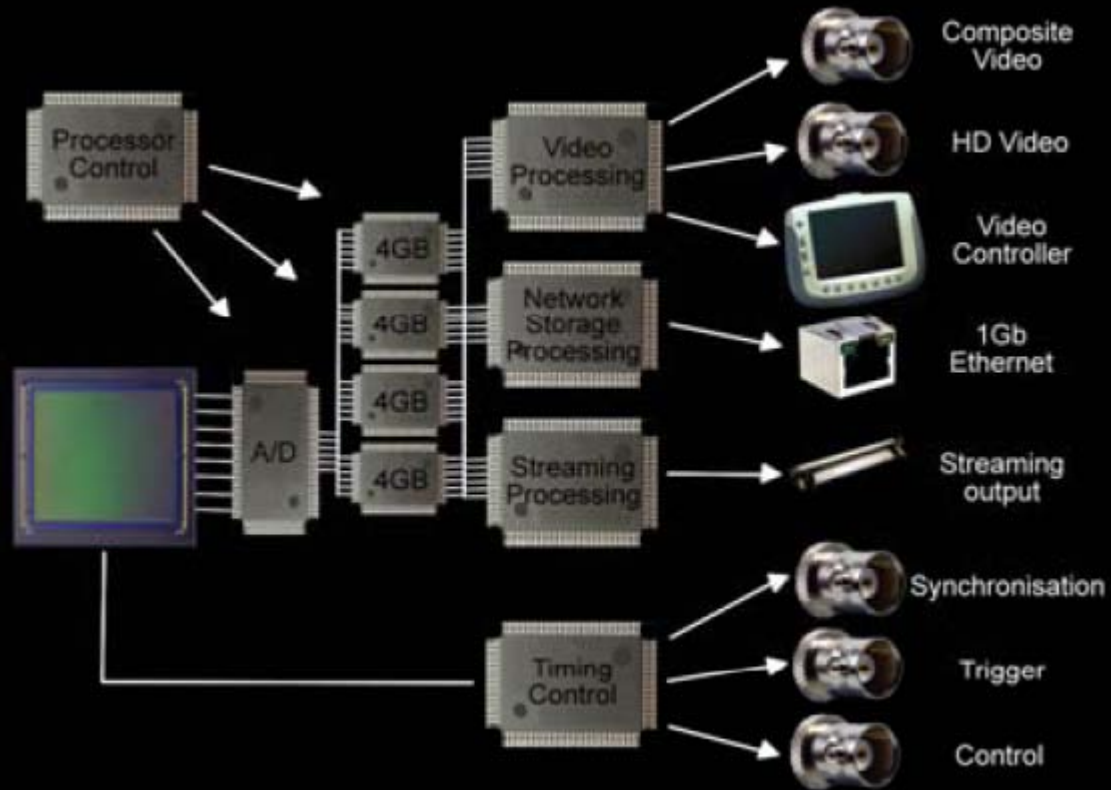


# Key differences between high-speed cameras and other cameras

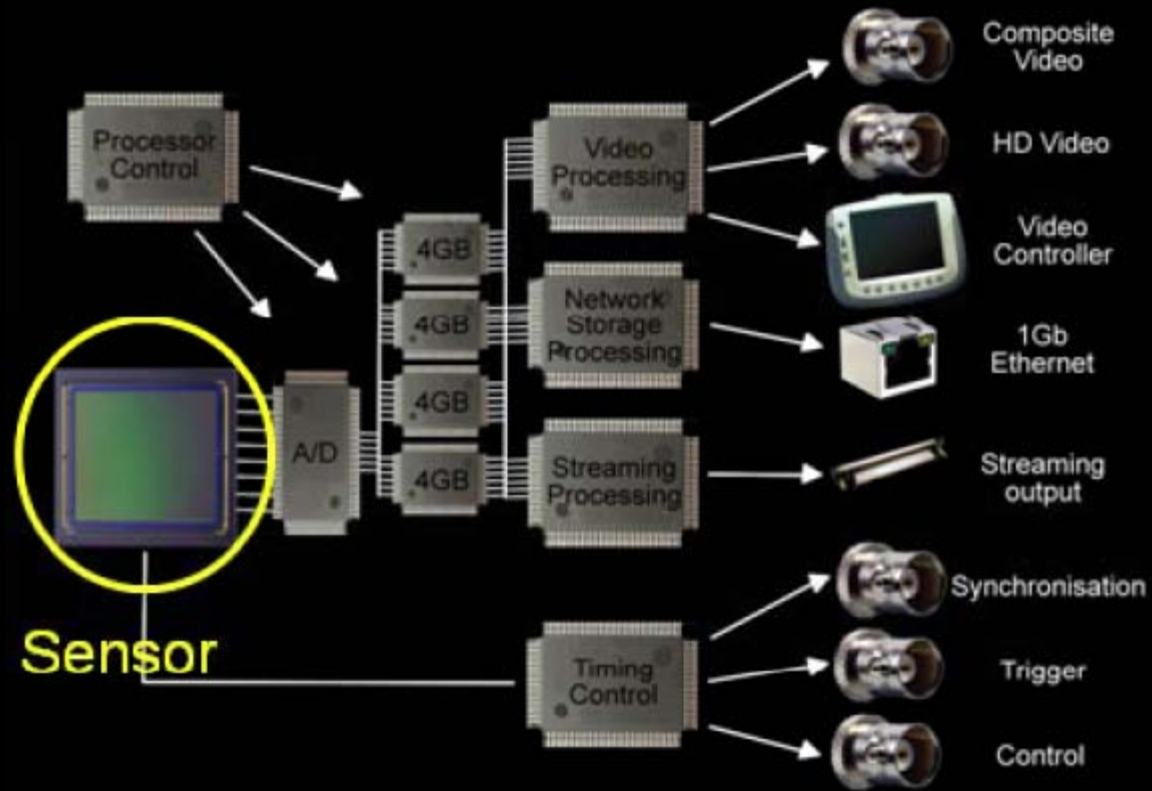
- Very fast throughput rates
- Intermediate memory for fast storage of images
- Lots of data(e. g. pixels, bits) to manage
- Adjustable exposure times
- Relationship between frame rate and resolution



# Anatomy of a High-Speed Camera

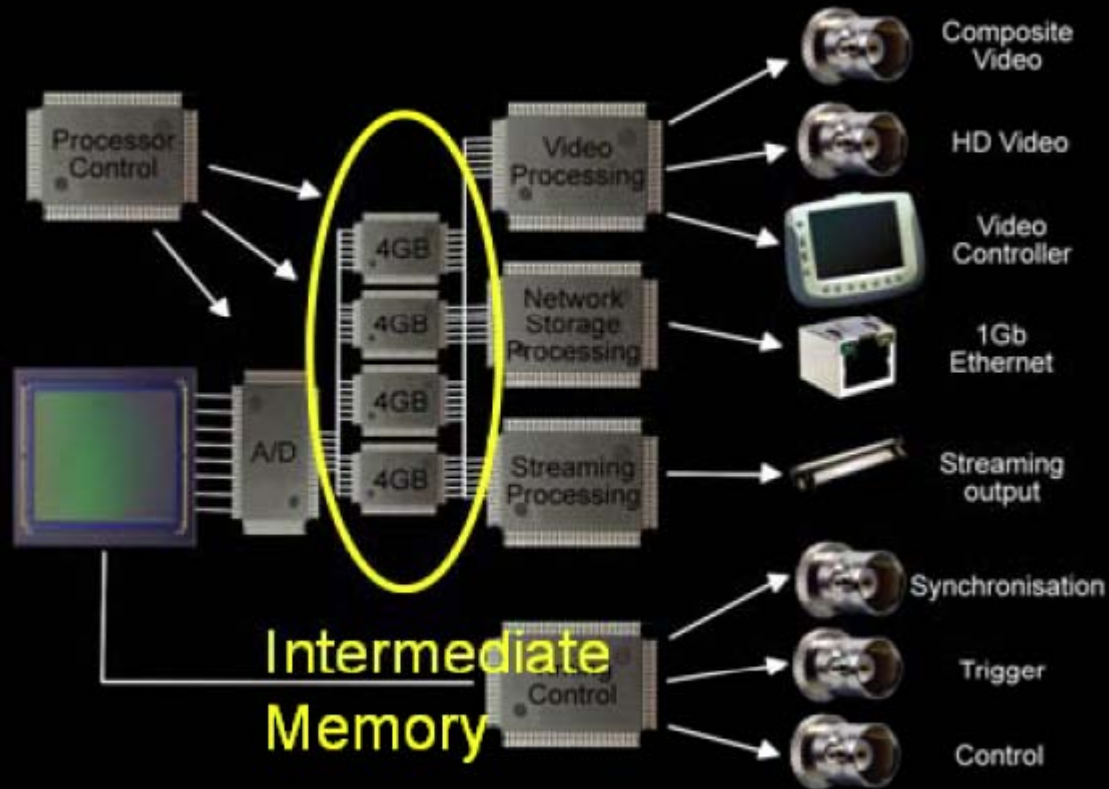


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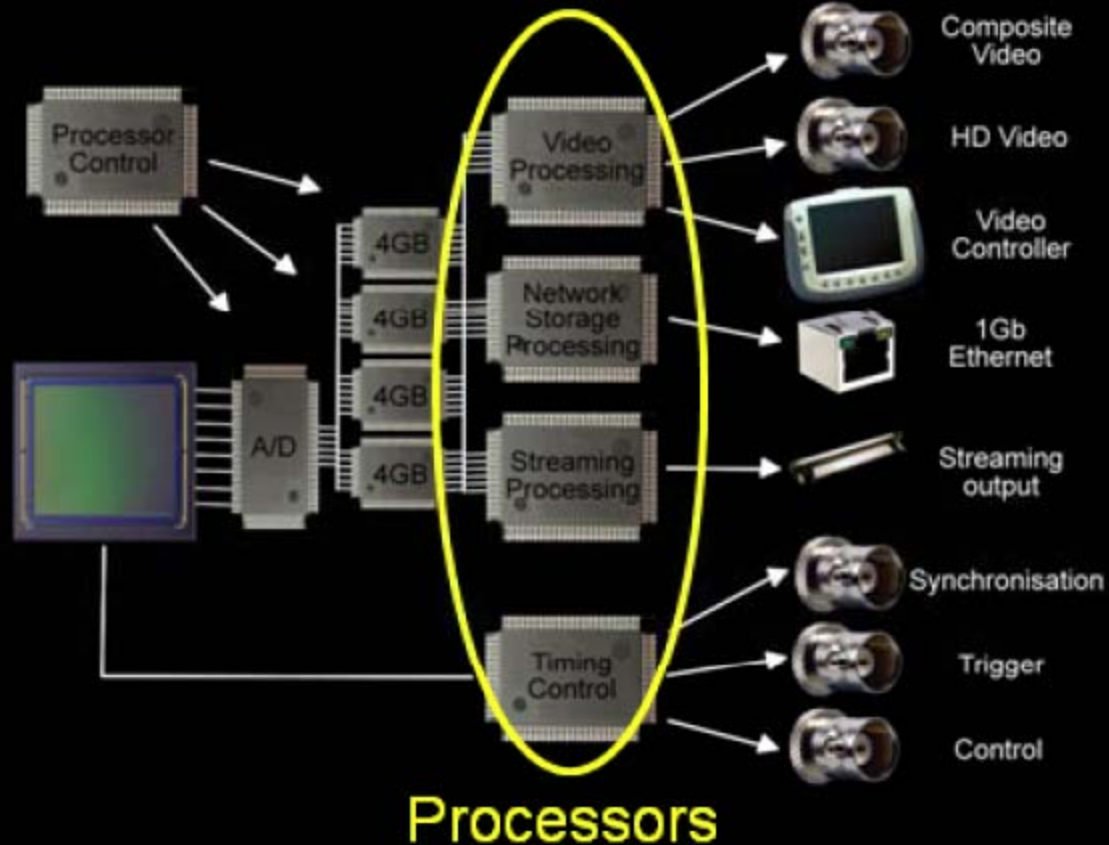




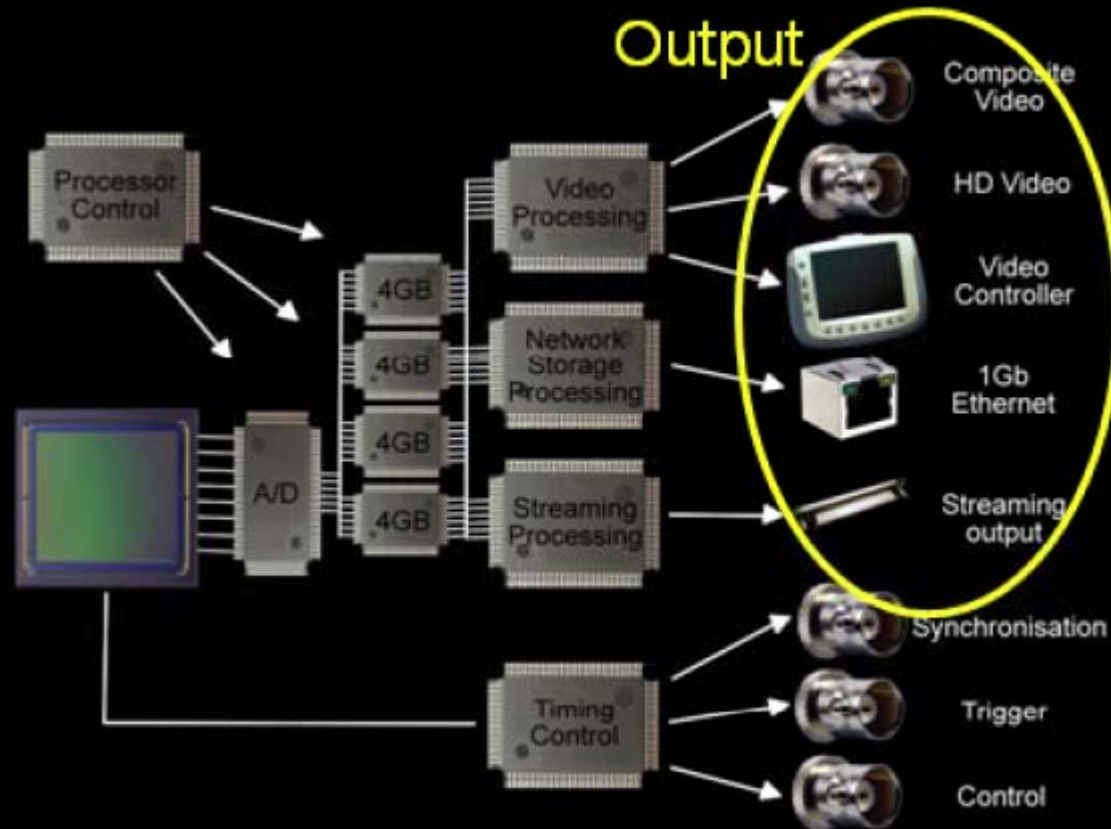
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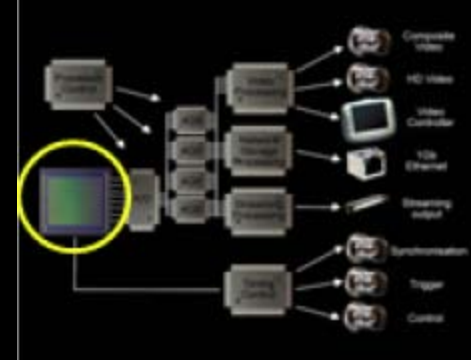
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# The Heart of a Camera: The Sensor



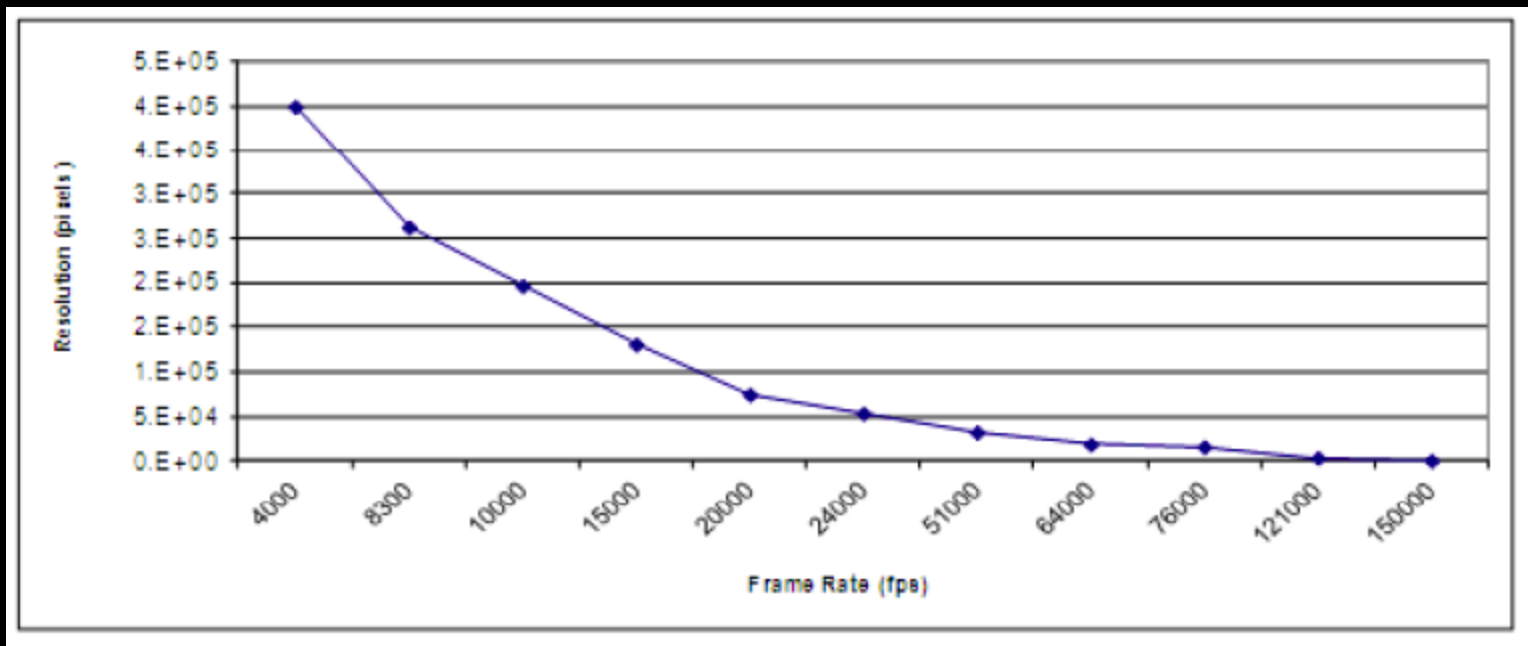
- High – speed cameras use specialized, high-performance image sensors
- Four technical considerations for sensors

1. Resolution(number of pixels)
2. Speed(frame rate)
3. Light sensitivity(converting photons to electrons)
4. Bit Depth and Dynamic Range

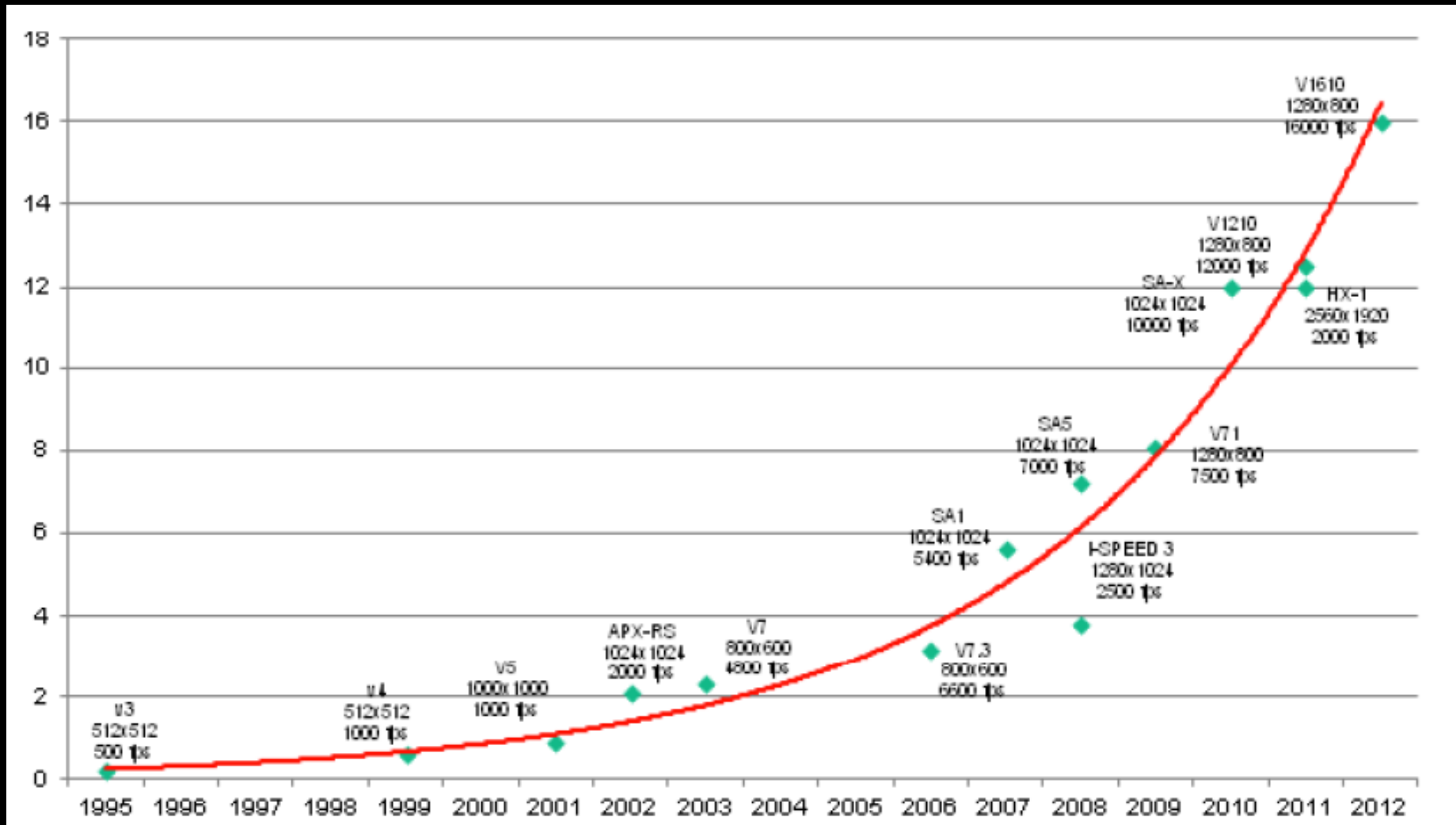


# Resolution vs. Speed

- Throughput = speed \* resolution = ~ constant for each camera
- Because of bandwidth limitations, each camera can only transfer a fixed amount of data to memory



# The Explosion of throughput(Gpx/sec)



# The Relationship Between Frame Rate and Exposure:

## Frame Rate

- “Frame Rate” describes the time between snapshots in a video
- Motion discretization: defines the distance an object moves between analysis intervals



# The Relationship Between Frame Rate and Exposure:

## Exposure Time

- Also called “Shutter speed”
- “Exposure time” =  $1 / \text{Shutter speed}$
- Amount of time that each frame is “open” to the world to collect photons





# Light Sensitivity

- Four contributors to light sensitivity of a sensor
- 1. Quantum efficiency of sensor substrate
- 2. Pixel size (size of each pixel, typically measured in microns)
- 3. Fill factor (the portion of each pixel that is sensitive to light)
- 4. Lensing and filtering



# The Importance of Bit Depth

- Current cameras 8-12 bit mono, 24-48 bit color(3x RGB mono)
- Because we can only save 10-bit and display 8-bit, cameras now have “bit selectors” or “bit sliders”

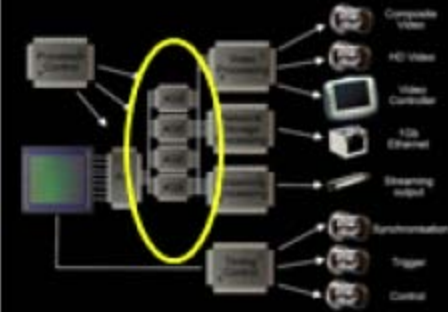


# Dynamic Range

- The problem: flashes, reflections, saturated images
- The goal: see into bright, saturated areas, without dimming out dark areas
- The solutions
  - Extending the dynamic range so that the conversion of light (e.g. lux) to electrical signals(e.g. volts) is not linear, but instead logarithmic.
  - Dual slope integration – high gain and low gain



# Two Forms of Image Storage



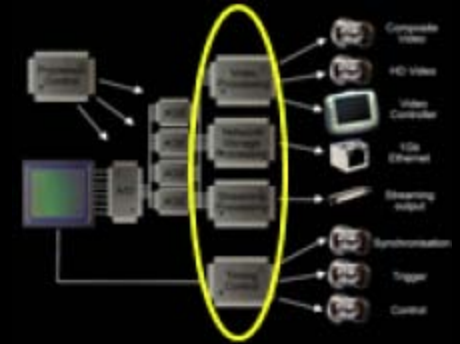
- Intermediate (short term) storage
- Permanent storage

# Intermediate Storage of Images

- Either located in the camera head(RAM) or in computer (SSD, HDD)
- Determines how long the camera can record



# Large Processing Power is required in High-Speed Cameras



- High-speed cameras typically have 4-5 different processor functions
- Next generation of cameras also have FPGA/DSP on back end for user programming

# What gets Processed?

- Image processing
  - Fixed pattern noise
  - Color reconstruction
  - Image sharpness, contrast, brightness
- Image/Data manipulation
  - Sensor to internal memory
  - Memory to CPU or other devices
  - Dynamic range, exposure
- Camera control and set-up
- Timing and external synchronization



# Fixed Pattern Noise Correction

- CMOS has Fixed Pattern Noise (black level of each pixel is different)
- Compensation circuitry in camera is most common though some manufacturers use PC CPU for compensation







## Models

Y3 – 1280x1024 up to 6,000 fps

Y4 – 1024x1024 up to 5,100 fps

Y5 – 2560x1920 @ 730 fps

Y6 – 1920x1080 @ 1,000 fps

Y7 – 1920x1080 up to 9,000 fps

## Configurations

Mono or Color

Internal RAM 8GB (up to 32GB optional)

## Features

Low-noise, high dynamic range

Ready to publish image output

Automatic black balance

USB-2 and GE Ethernet Connectivity

Live 1080p/720p for image preview

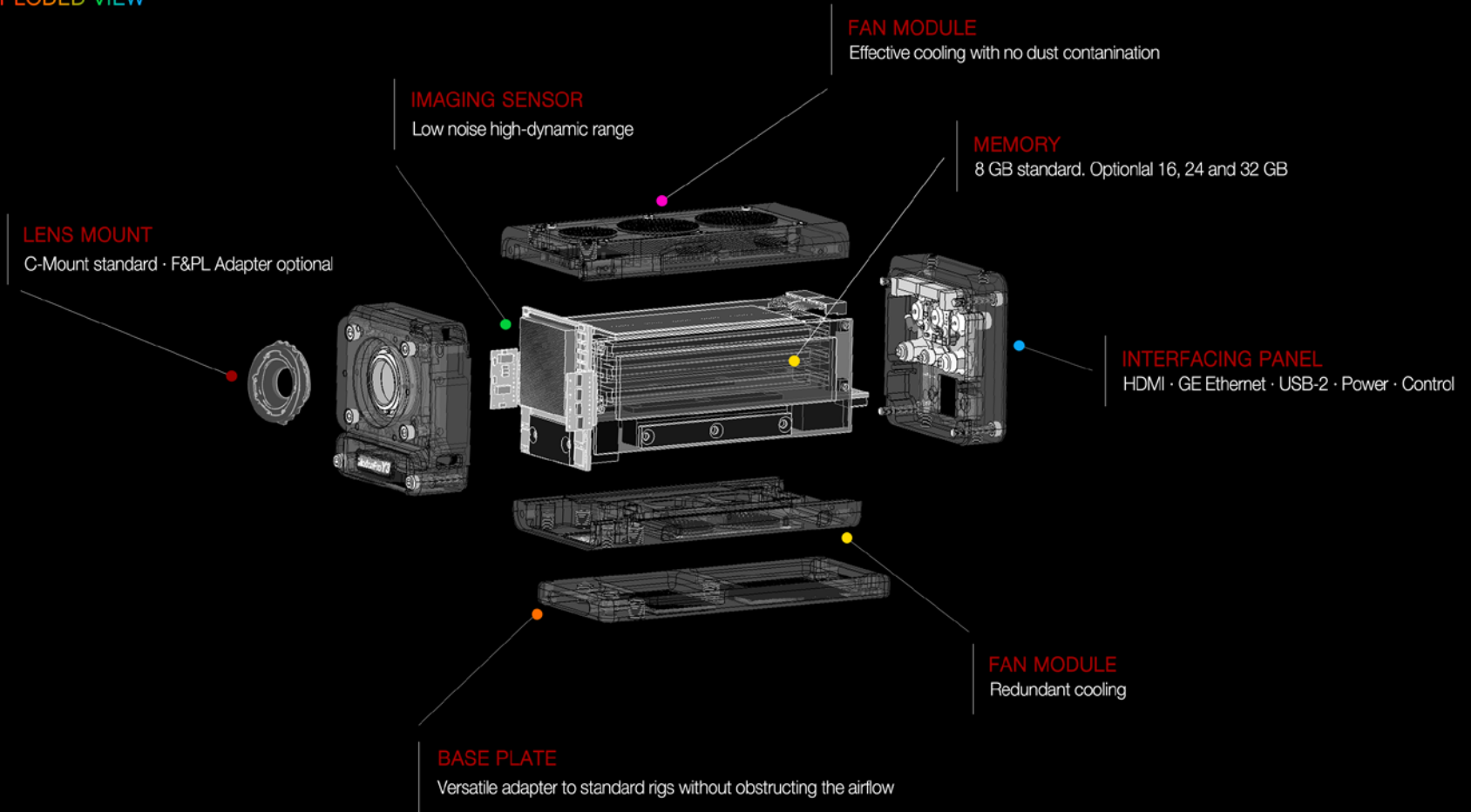
/playback

100G shock and vibration proof





# SERIES™ EXPLODED VIEW



# **The latest camera models**



## MotionPro Y3

Classic – Digital Sensor Architecture – 10 bit ADC

1280x1024 @1,000 fps

Plus mode (compression) 1280x1024 @2,000 fps

Supports 11 and 12 XDR

S1 – Digital Sensor Architecture– 10 bit ADC

1280x1024 @3,000 fps

Plus mode NOT supported

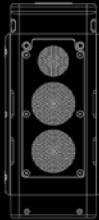
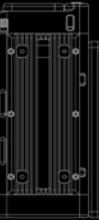
Supports 11 and 12 bit XDR and EDR

S2 – Digital Sensor Architecture– 10 bit ADC

1280x1024 @6,000 fps

Plus mode NOT supported

Supports 11 and 12 bit XDR and EDR



## MotionPro Y4

- S1 – Digital Sensor Architecture – 10 bit ADC  
1024x1024 @3,000 fps  
Plus mode (compression) 1024x1024 @6,000 fps  
Supports 11 and 12 bit XDR and EDR
- S2 – Digital Sensor Architecture – 10 bit ADC  
1024x1024 @4,500 fps  
Plus mode (compression) 1024x1024 @8,900 fps  
Supports 11 and 12 bit XDR and EDR
- S3 – Digital Sensor Architecture – 10 bit ADC  
1024x1024 @5,000 fps  
Plus mode (compression) 1024x1024 @9,900 fps  
Supports 11 and 12 bit EDR and EDR



## MotionPro Y5

Y5 – Digital Sensor Architecture – 10 bit ADC

2352x1728 @730 fps

Plus mode (compression) 1024x1024 @6,000 fps

Supports 11 and 12 bit XDR

Y5HDiablo – Digital Sensor Architecture – 10 bit ADC

2560x1920 @ 640 fps

2560x1080 @ 1,000 fps

1920x1080 @ 1,000 fps

Plus mode NOT Supported

Supports 11 and 12 bit XDR



## MotionPro Y6

Y6 – Analog Sensor Architecture – 12 bit ADC  
1920x1080 @1,000 fps  
Plus mode NOT supported  
Other resolutions at 1,000 fps  
1504x1128 (HG100K compatible)  
1600x1200



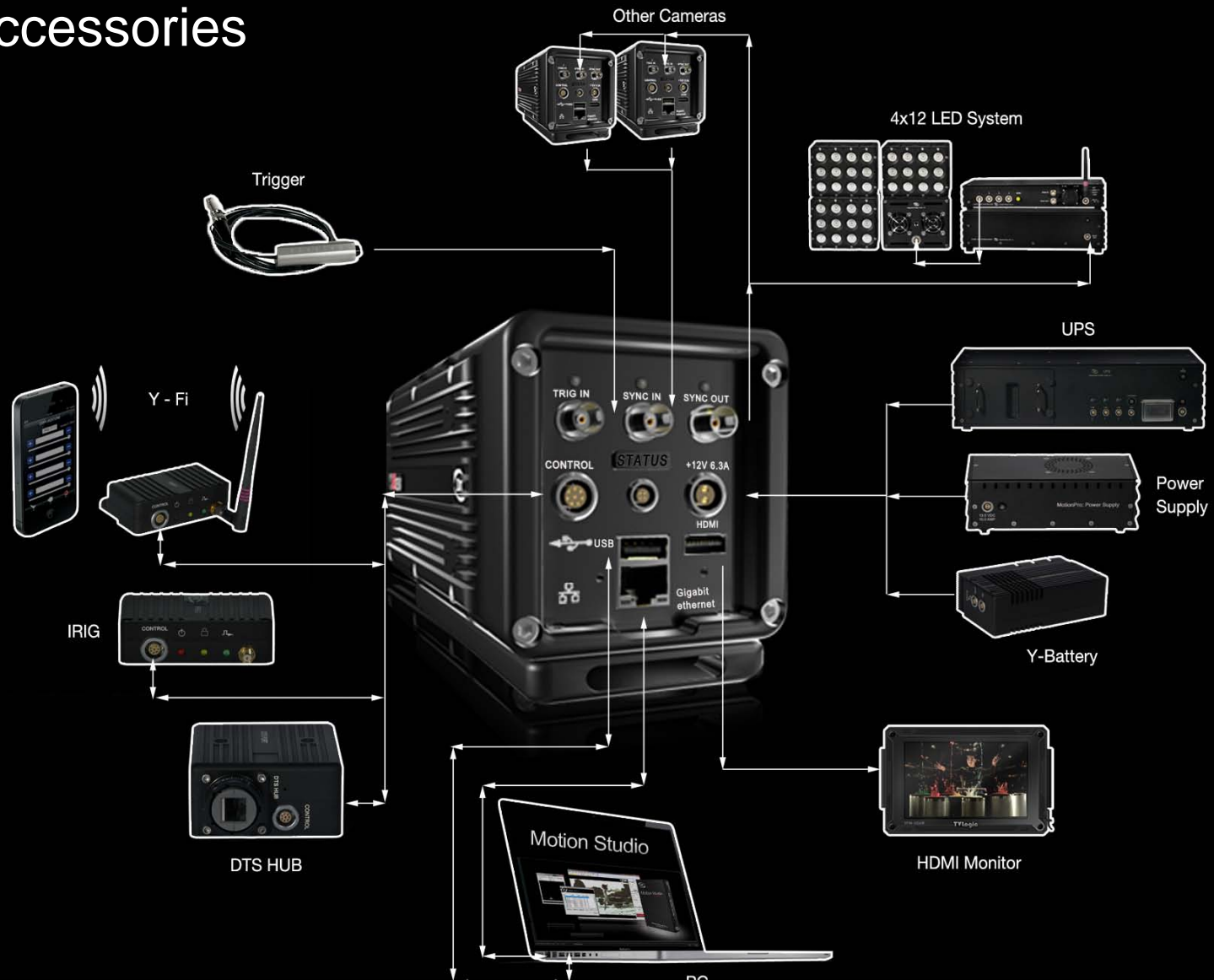
## MotionPro Y7

- S1 – Digital Sensor Architecture – 10 bit ADC  
1920x1080 @5,000 fps  
Plus mode NOT supported  
Supports 11 and 12 bit XDR
- S2 – Digital Sensor Architecture – 10 bit ADC  
1920x1080 @7,500 fps  
Plus mode NOT supported  
Supports 11 and 12 bit XDR
- S3 – Digital Sensor Architecture – 10 bit ADC  
1920x1080 @9,000 fps  
Plus mode NOT supported  
Supports 11 and 12 bit EDR





# Accessories



#### INPUTS :

SYNC INPUT	Phase-lock TTL
IRIG	Optional
GPS TIME CODE	Optional
YIFI	Optional

#### OUTPUTS :

SYNC OUTPUT	Frame sync / Strobe
HDMI	1080p and 720p
COMP VIDEO	N / A

#### DIMENSIONS :

APPROX. SIZE	90.5 x 90.5 x 220 mm or 3.5 x 3.5 x 8.6 inches
APPROX. WEIGHT	3.8 kg or 8.5 lbs
SHOCK/VIBRATION RATING	100G - All axes Vibration 40G - All axes

#### FEATURES :

BATTERY	Operation and battery back-up up to 2 hours
MOUNT	C-Mount standard, F&PL Adapter optional
POWER REQ.	Minimum 12V, 6.5A
SENSOR FORMAT	1 inch

#### COMMUNICATION :

CAMERA LINK	N / A
ETHERNET	100/1000 Base T
USB 2.0	Standard

#### SOFTWARE :

MOTION STUDIO	Windows 32/64 Mac to be released
PLUG-INS SDK	LabView or Matlab
FILE FORMATS	Proprietary RAW (MRF, MCF)
ON-FLY CONVERSION	TIFF, BMP, JPG, PNG, AVI, MPEG, QT H.264



# The application of high-speed imaging



# High-Speed Imaging Application

