

ADVANCED.HDI: PCB-DESIGN FOR A SMARTWATCH - WITH SPECIAL GUEST LUKAS HENKEL (OV TECH GMBH)

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AGENDA

PCB Design for a Smartwatch – with Special Guest Lukas Henkel (OV Tech GmbH)

1. Introduction to the ADVANCED.hdi Technology

- Basics
- Manufacturing Process

2. PCB Design for a Smartwatch – Lukas Henkel

3. ADVANCED.hdi Design Rules

4. Reference Project

5. Physical PCB Samples

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HDI NEXT GENERATION: ADVANCED.HDI

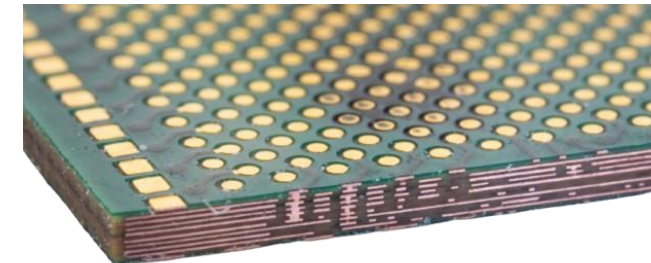
Overview ADVANCED.hdi

- Anylayer microvia technology
- Very thin materials (ANSI GPY/42) → ultra-thin construction
- Laser-drilled microvias $\varnothing 70 \mu\text{m}$ in pad $\varnothing 200 \mu\text{m}$
- Very thin copper layers on each layer
- Ideal for routing very fine BGA components
- 75 μm standard structures, optional 50 μm
- Options
 - Impedance-matched design
 - Stiffener
 - Carrier for soldering



ADVANCED.hdi (1-2b-1)-Ri

Option: Solder carrier



Source: OV Tech GmbH

ADVANCED.HDI

Manufacturing Processes AnyLayer Microvia Technology ADVANCED.hdi 1-2b-1

- Inner layer production core with laser-drilled microvias L2 - L3 + copper filling
- Inner layer etching up to max. 25 µm copper thickness

L2		25		
		50	GPY/42-core	
L3		25		

- Lamination into 4-layer multilayer
- Laser drilling of microvias Top - L2 and Bottom - L3 with subsequent copper filling
- Etching outer layers up to max. 35 µm copper thickness (nominal 25 µm)
- Outer layer production with solder mask and final surface finish

		20	Soldermask photosensitive	
L1		25	9µm copper foil + plating	Top-Layer
		35	GPY/42-prepreg	
L2		25		
		50	GPY/42-core	
L3		25		
		35	GPY/42-prepreg	
L4		25	9µm copper foil + plating	Bottom-Layer
		20	Soldermask photosensitive	

ADVANCED.HDI

Standard Stackups

ADVANCED.hdi_ 4-2b-4							
PCB Thickness : 0,62 mm +/-0,05mm							
Rigid area Structure		Rigid area Thickness	Material description	rigid area		Viatypes	Layer usage
		20	Soldermask photosensitive				
L1		25	9µm copper foil + plating	Top-Layer			
		35	GPY/I42-prepreg				
L2		25					
		35	GPY/I42-prepreg				
L3		25					
		35	GPY/I42-prepreg				
L4		25					
		35	GPY/I42-prepreg				
L5		25					
		50	GPY/I42-core				
L6		25					
		35	GPY/I42-prepreg				
L7		25					
		35	GPY/I42-prepreg				
L8		25					
		35	GPY/I42-prepreg				
L9		25					
		35	GPY/I42-prepreg				
L10		25	9µm copper foil + plating	Bottom-Layer			
		20	Soldermask photosensitive				

Materials

- Core materials:
 - 0.05 mm, copper foil 12 µm
 - 0.10 mm, copper foil 12 µm
- Prepreg:
 - 0.04mm
- Copper foil:
 - 9µm
- End thickness acc. to # layers

Layer count	Final thickness
4 layers 1-2b-1	0.25 mm
6 layers 2-2b-2	0.36 mm
8 layers 3-2b-3	0.47 mm
10 layers 4-2b-4	0.58 mm

APPLICATIONS



OV Tech GmbH

Open-Source Smartwatch



Objective

Create the first **modular and community centric** consumer Smart Watch

How?

Publish Hardware and Firmware sources.
Hardware designed for right to repair.

- build an **open and high-trust** ecosystem
- **modular** and customizable
- custom code/hardware friendly
- community centric



Modular

Modularity for repairability and upgradability

Display Module

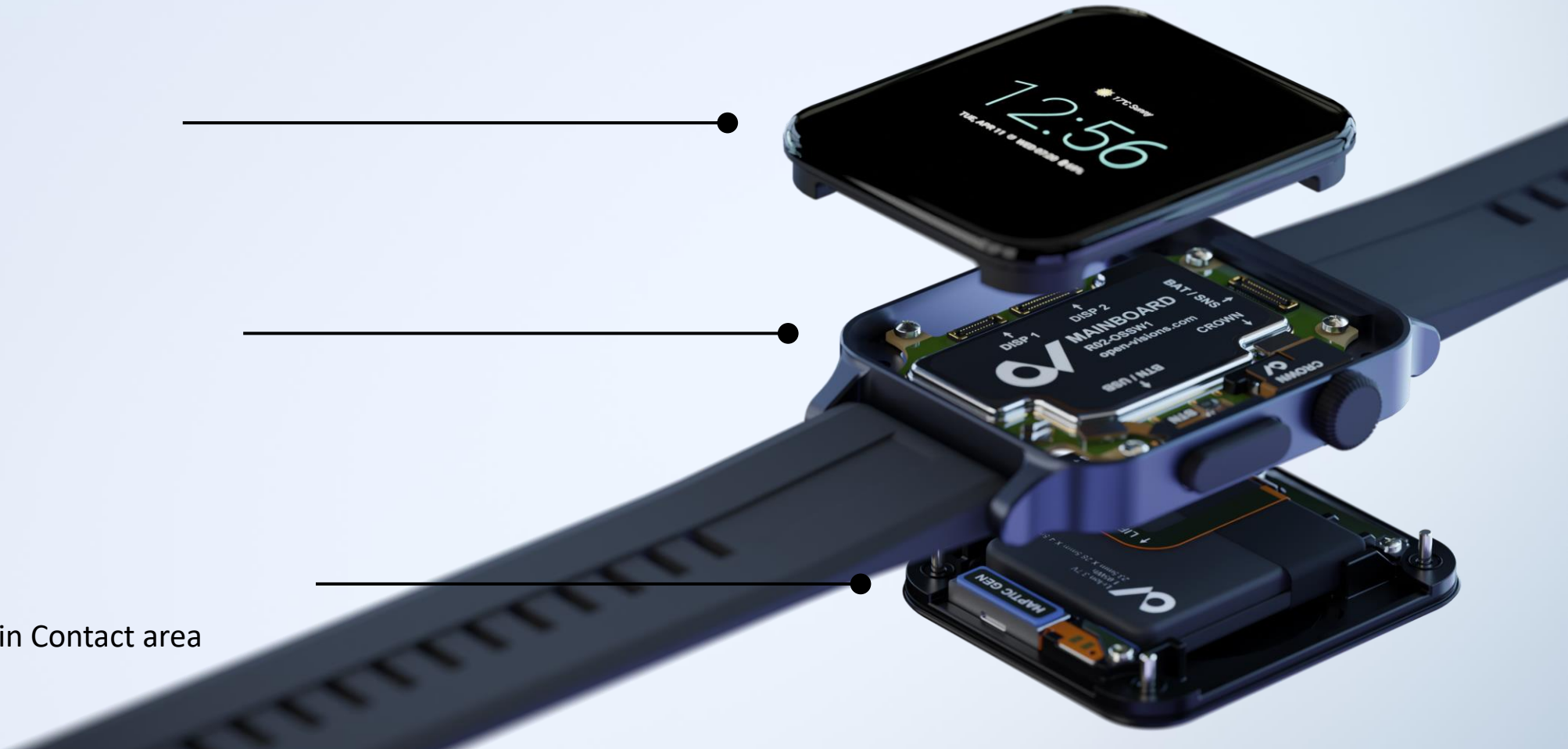
Touch AMOLED
Rounded Coverglass

Compute Module

Machined Aluminum Frame
Digital Crown
USB-C

Sensor Module

Smooth Glass and Plastic Skin Contact area



Hardware

Sensor Module

- **Heart rate** sensor
- **Blood oxygen** sensor
- **Pressure** sensor
- Haptic feedback
- Microphone
- **QI charging**
- **Speaker**



Compute Module

- **Dual Core A35** SoC @0.8GHz
- 2GB LPDDR4x
- **16GB eMMC** Storage
- **Digital Crown**
- User button
- **IMU**
- **Compass**



Display Module

- 386 x 448 **AMOLED Touchscreen**
- **NFC + WiFi/BLE** Antenna
- Ambient light sensor

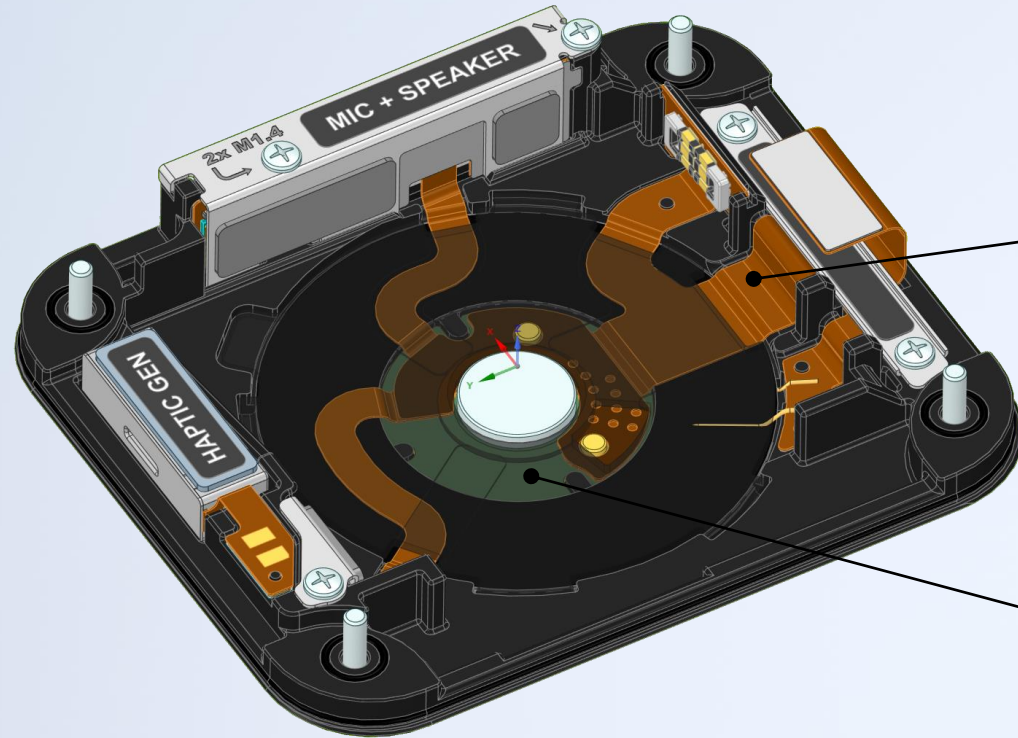


Side View

- **USB-C**



Modules – PCB Technologies



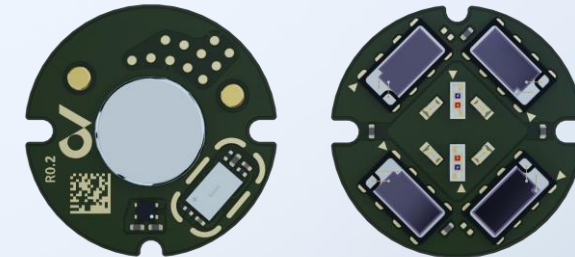
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- 0.35mm connectors
- 01005 passives

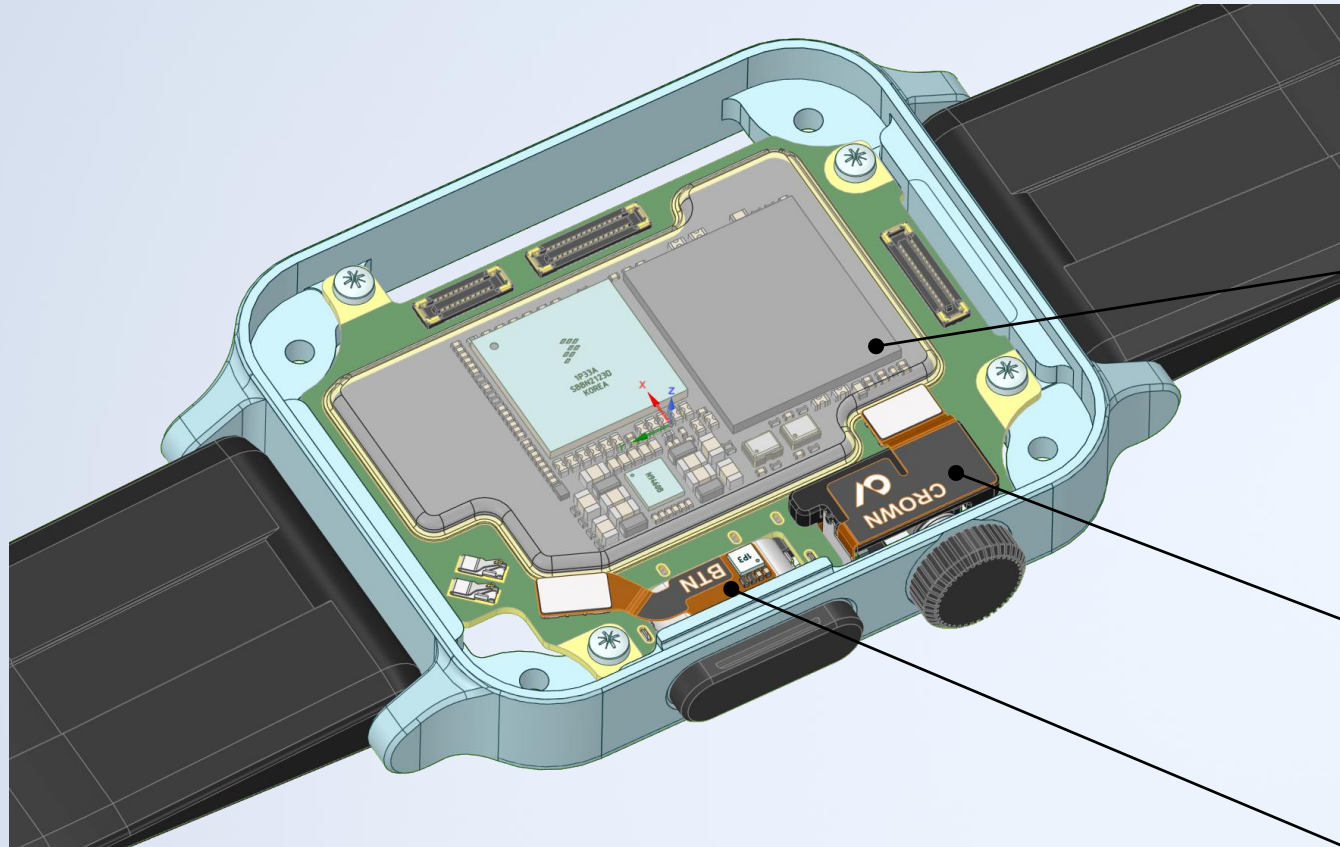


6-Layer ELIC

- 0.4mm WLCSP
- 01005 passives

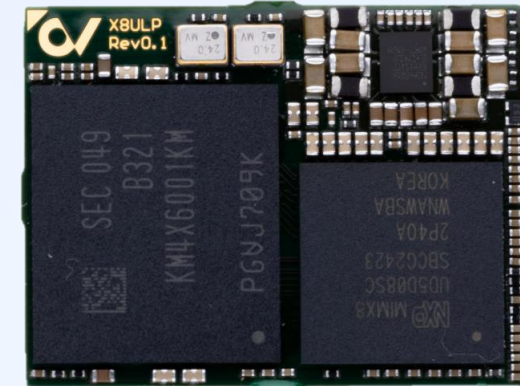


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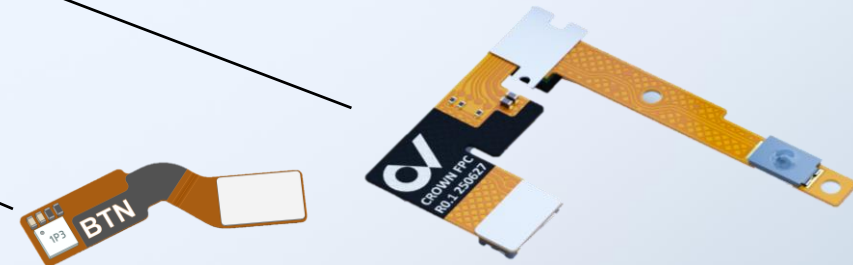
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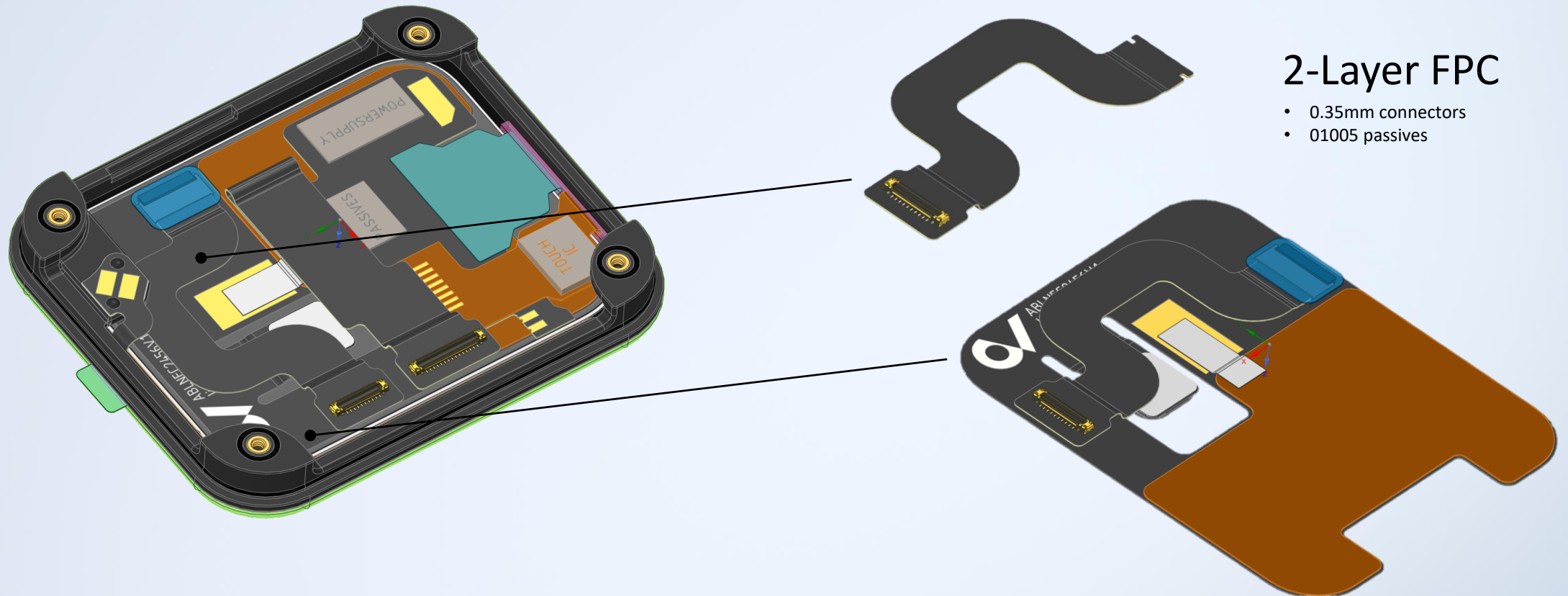


2-Layer FPC

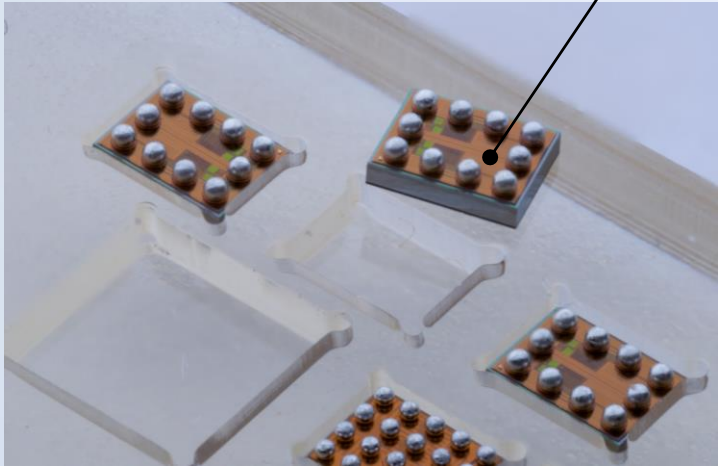
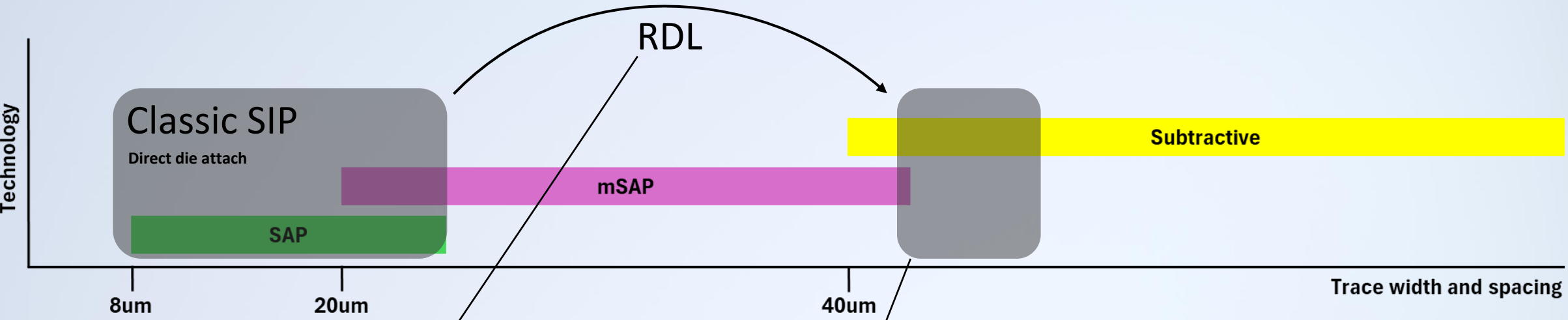
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Modules – PCB Technologies



SiP Design – Manufacturing Technologies



WLCSPs

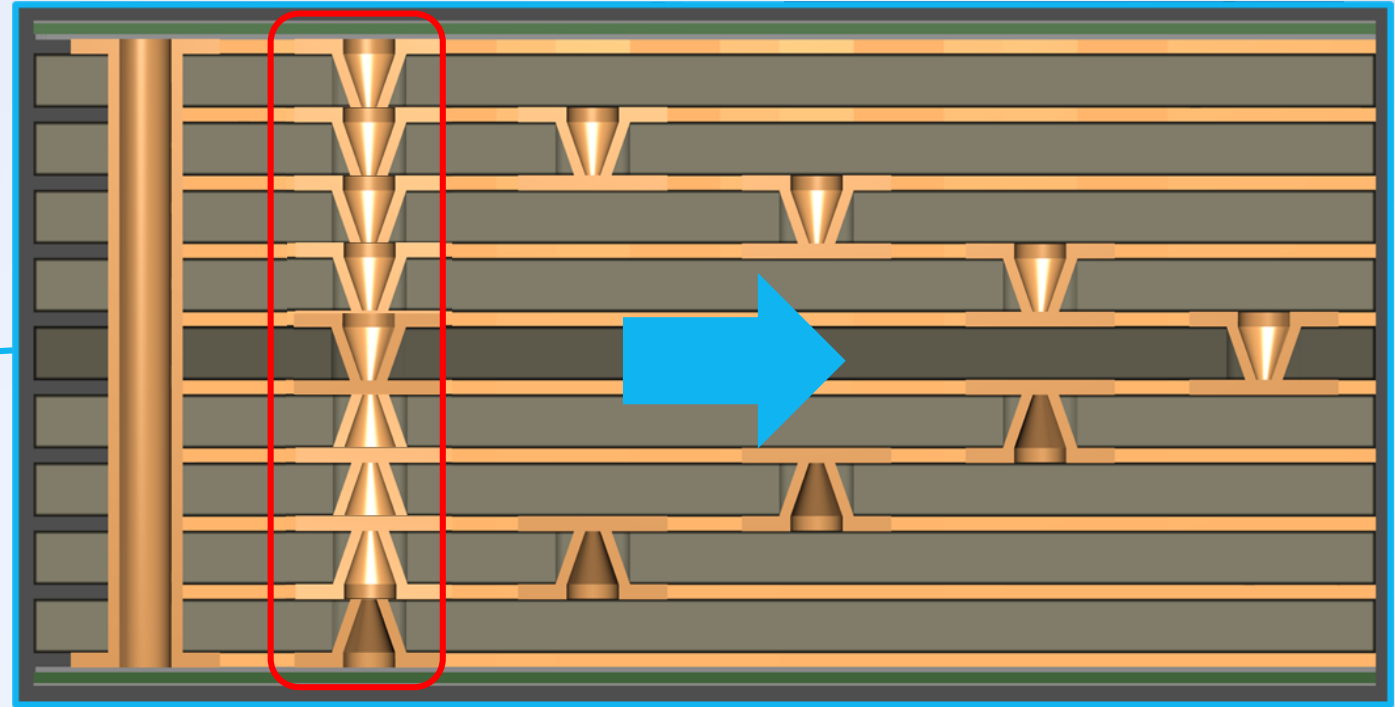
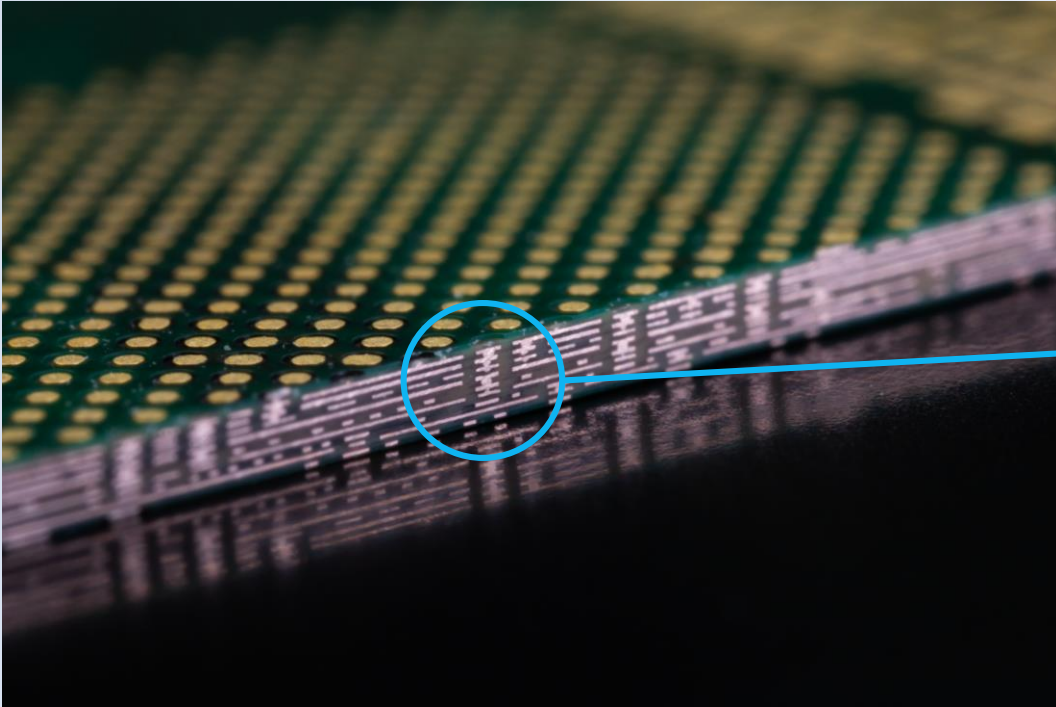
- RDL interfaces with silicon
- In classical SIPs the RDL is usually skipped



ELIC

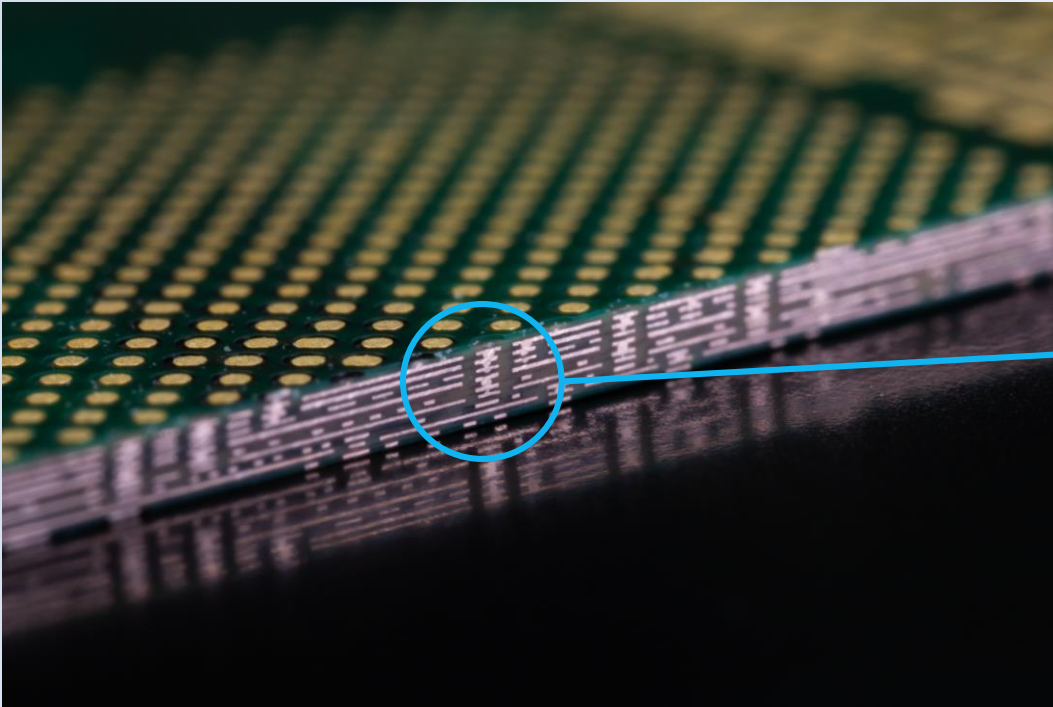
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Space benefits – ADVANCED.hdi

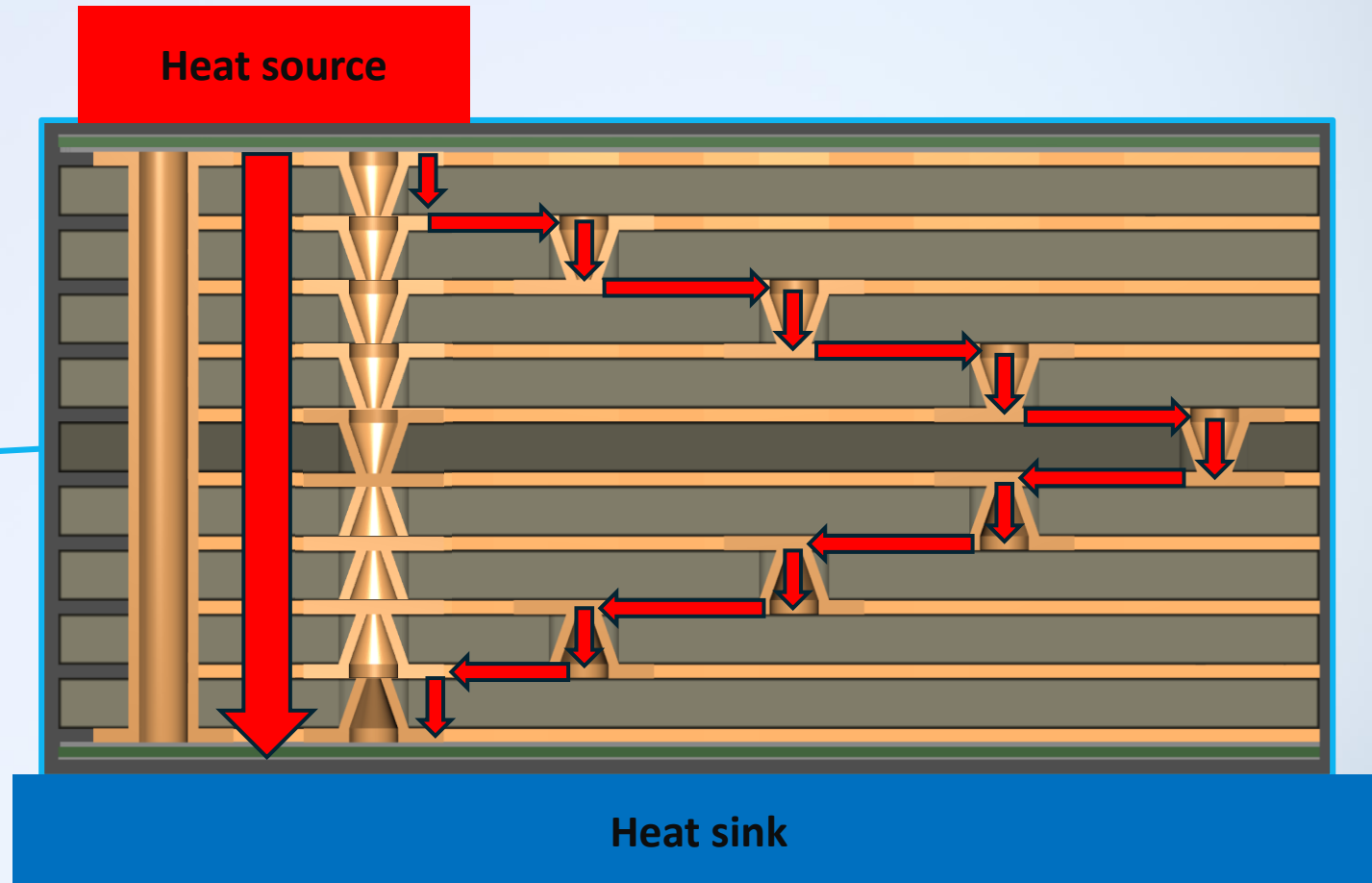


Staggered VIAs:
Require much space on inner layers
-> Not possible on full matrix 0.4mm BGAs

Thermal benefits – ADVANCED.hdi



Stacked VIAs:
Low thermal resistance



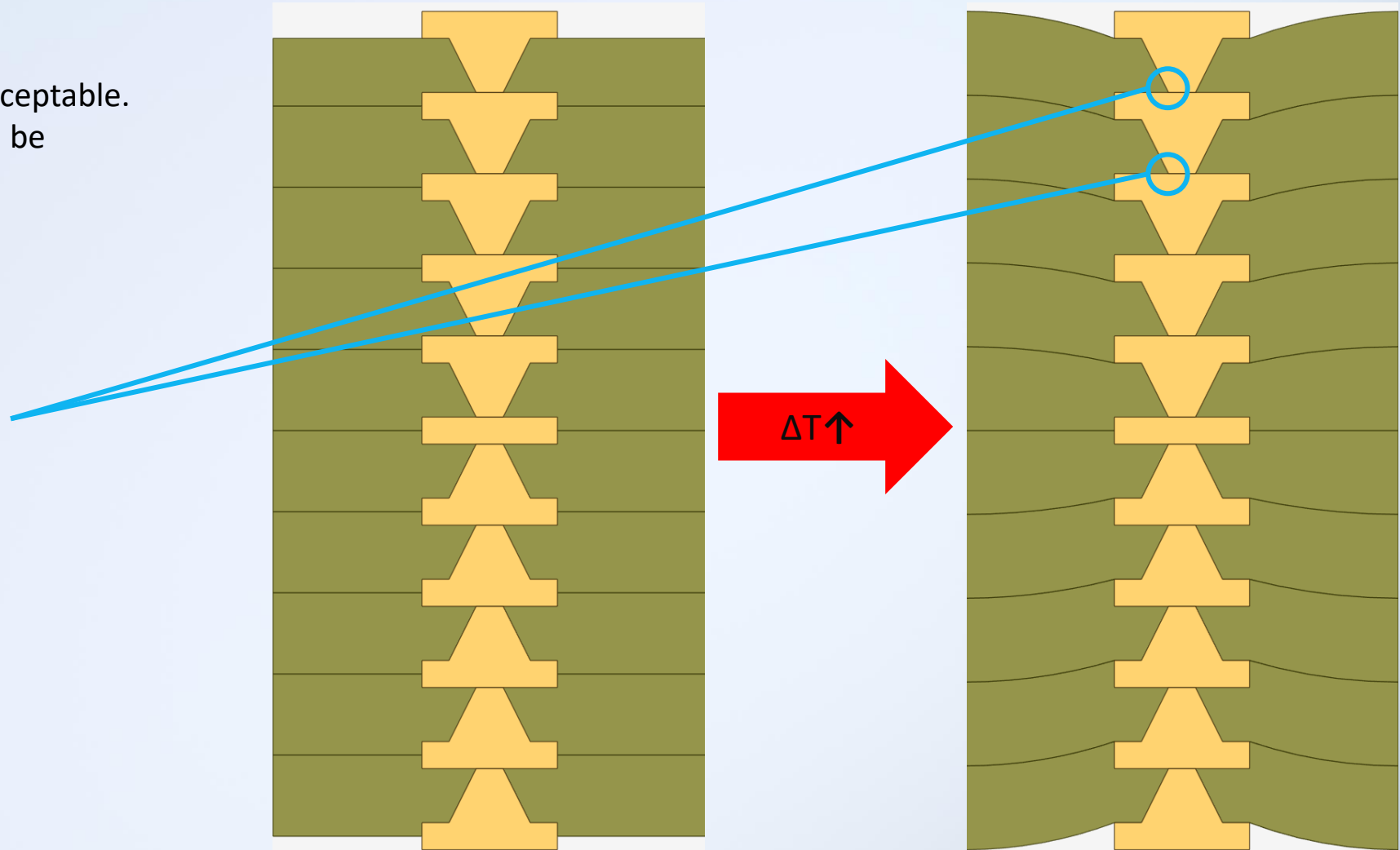
Staggered VIAs:
High thermal resistance along Z-axis

VIA reliability

IPC-2226, section 9.1.2:

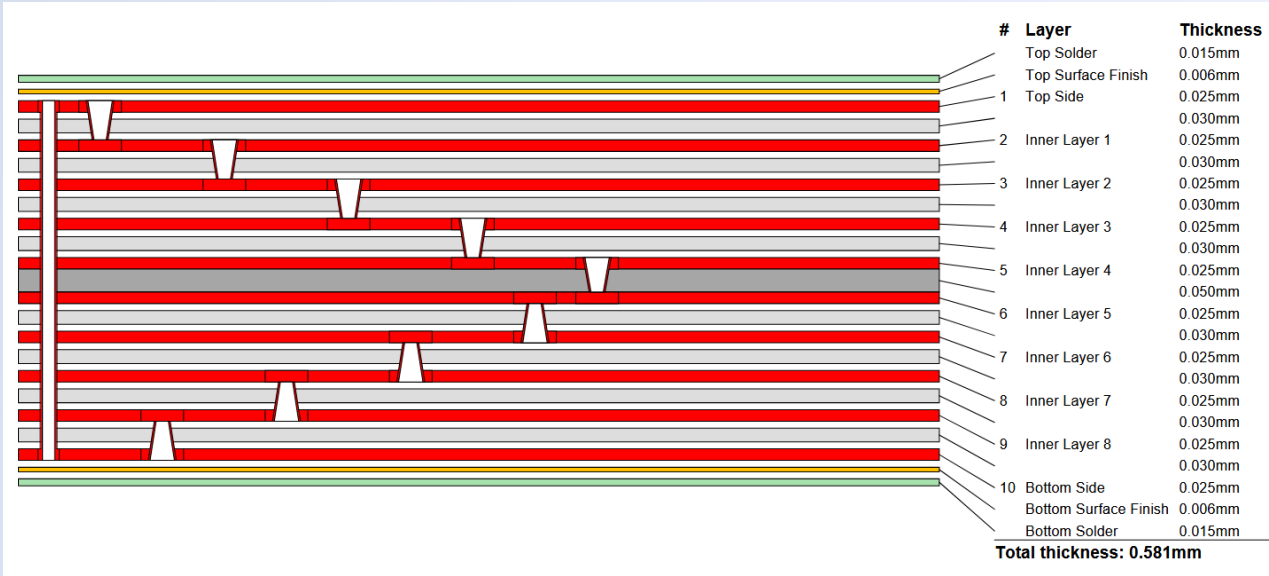
"Stacking of two microvias is generally acceptable. Stacking more than two microvias should be substantiated by reliability testing."

Stress concentration at VIA barrel edges



VIA reliability – ADVANCED.hdi

Stackup - HDI10_4-(2b)-4_058_25



Material used: GPY/42 Polyimide based

High Modulus -> stiff material
comparison FR4 17-24 GPa

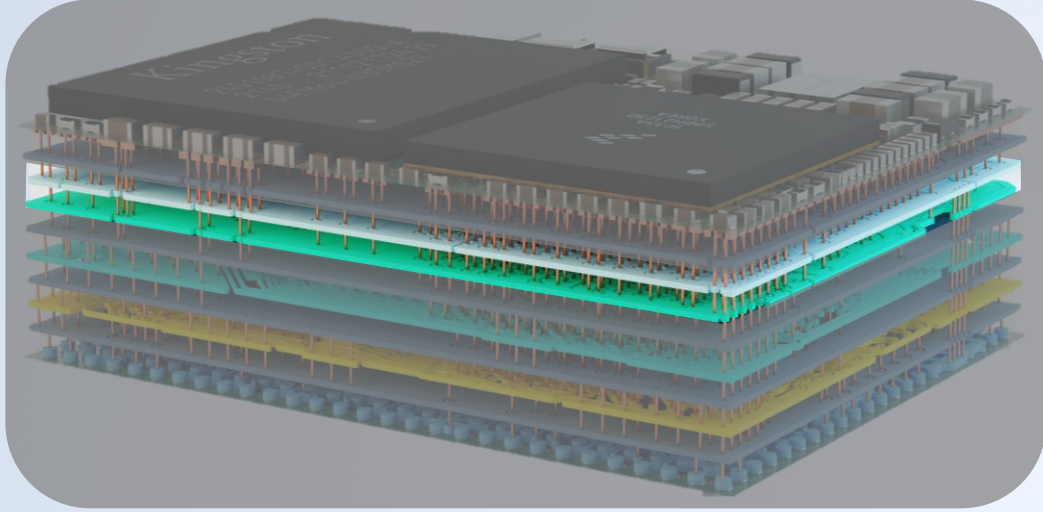
Low CTE -> low thermal expansion
comparison FR4 13-18 ppm/°C

GPY/42 characteristics

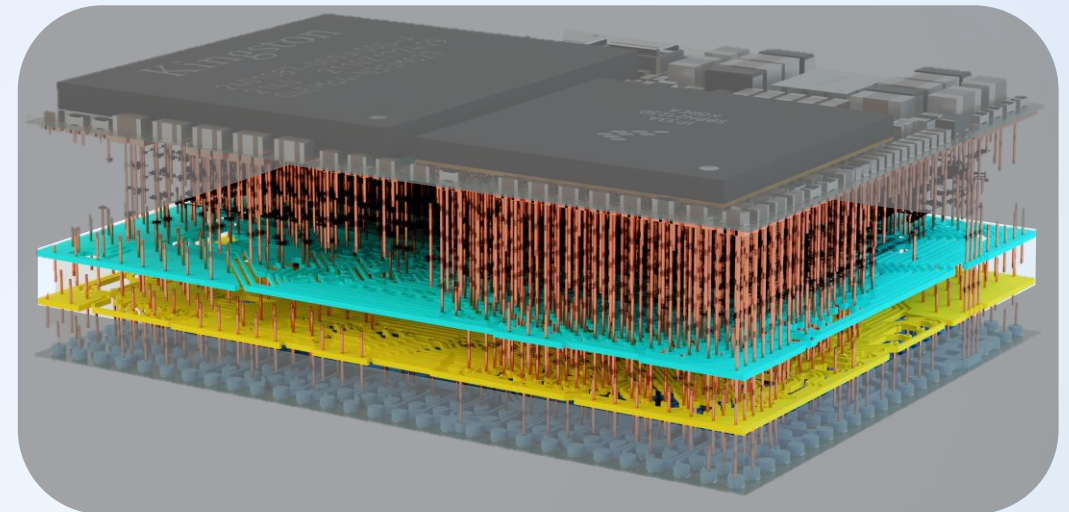
Characteristics					
Item		Condition ³	Unit	Actual Value ANSI: GPY/42	Reference (IPC-TM-650)
Tg	TMA method	A	°C	260-280	2.4.24
	DMA method	A		300-330	
CTE ¹	X (30-120 °C)	A	ppm/°C	4,0-6,0	
	Y (30-120°C)			4,0-6,0	
Solder Heat Resistance (260 °C)		A	sec.	>=300	
T260 (without cuopper)		A	min.	>=60	
T288 (without copper)				>=60	2.4.24.1
Decomposition Temperature (TGA methode, 5% Weight Loss)		A	°C	430-450	2.3.40
Heat Resistance for HDI Proces (Semi-Additive)		260 °C Reflow	cycles	>=20	
Copper Peel Strength	12 µm	A	kN/m	0,7-0,9	2.4.8
	18 µm			0,8-1,0	
Surface Roughness (Ra)		A	µm	2-3	2.2.17
Flexural Modulus (Lengthwise) ⁴		A	Gpa	30-32	
Dielectric Constant	10 GHz ²	A		4.2-4.4	
Dissipation Factor	10 GHz ²	A		0,006-0,008	
Volume Resistivity		C-96/40/90	Ω*cm	1x10 ⁻¹⁴ - 1x10 ⁻¹⁶	2.5.17
Survance Resistance		C-96/40/90	Ω	1x10 ⁻¹³ -1x10 ⁻¹⁵	
Insulation Resistance		A	Ω	1x10 ⁻¹⁶ - 1x10 ⁻¹⁶	
		D-2/100		1x10 ⁻¹² -1x10 ⁻¹⁴	

Low CTE + thin film thickness
allows reliable VIA stacking

Asymmetric stackup – ADVANCED.hdi

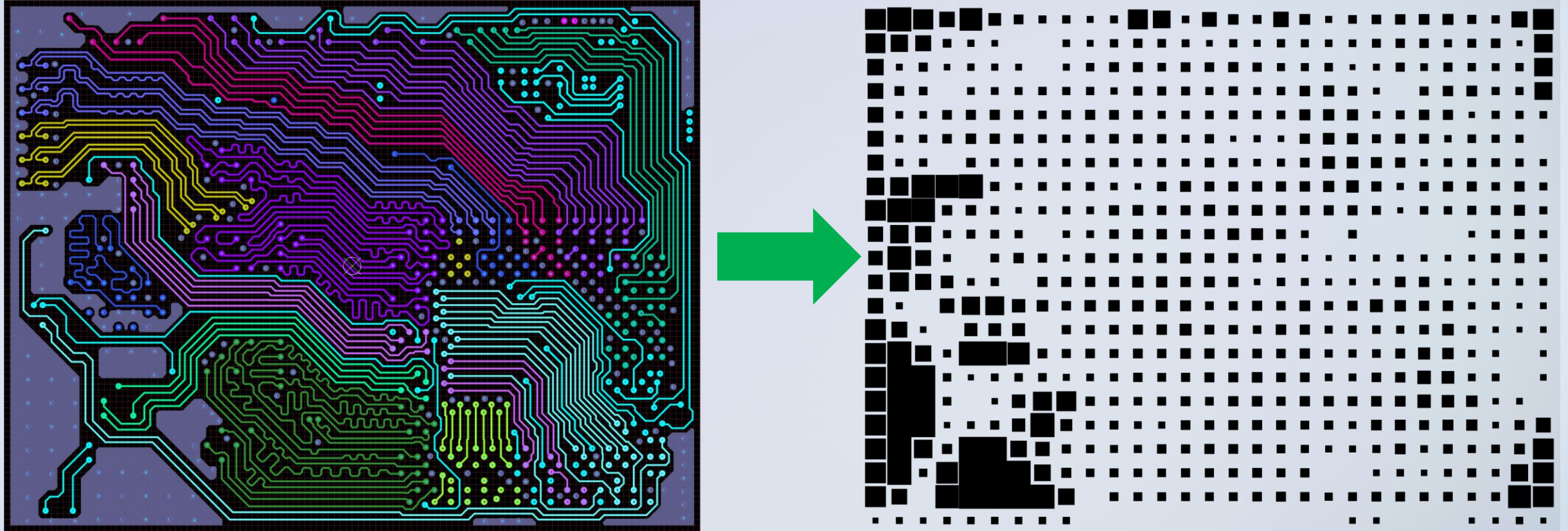


Power planes on L2/L3
-> Reduced inductance from
capacitors on TOP layer to SoC



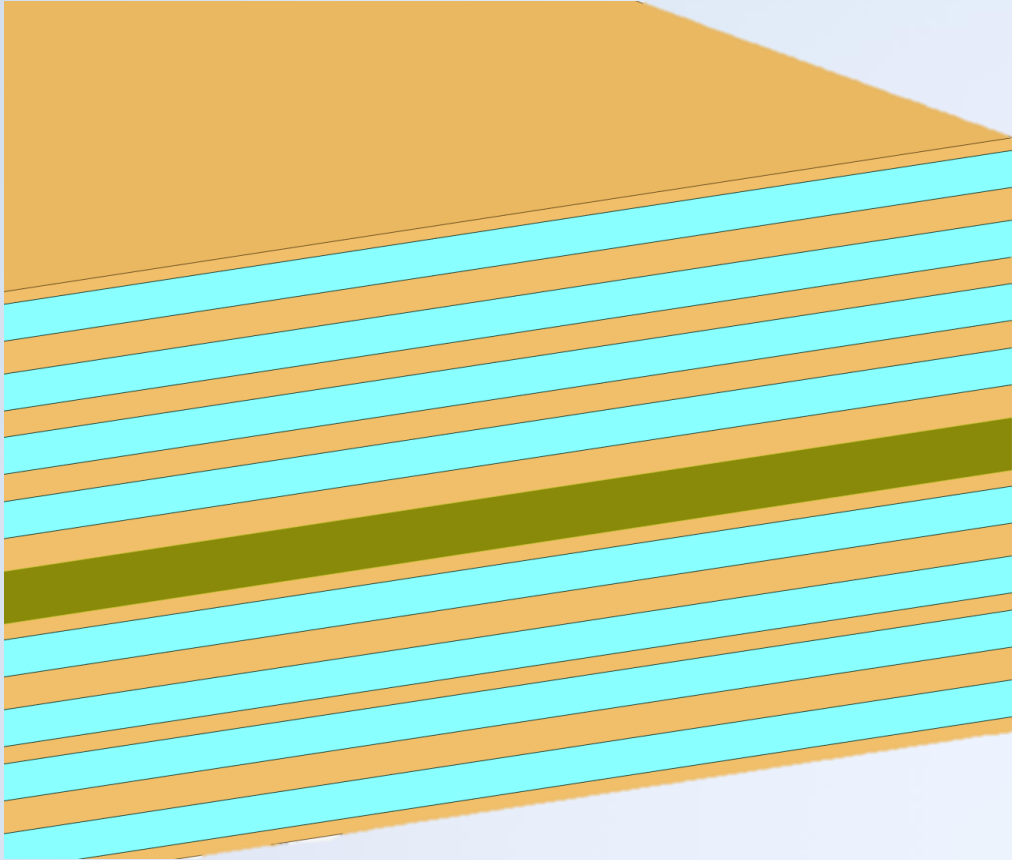
Signal layers on L7/L8
-> **Copper fillfactor is asymmetric,
risk of bow and twist!**

Calculate bow and twist – ADVANCED.hdi

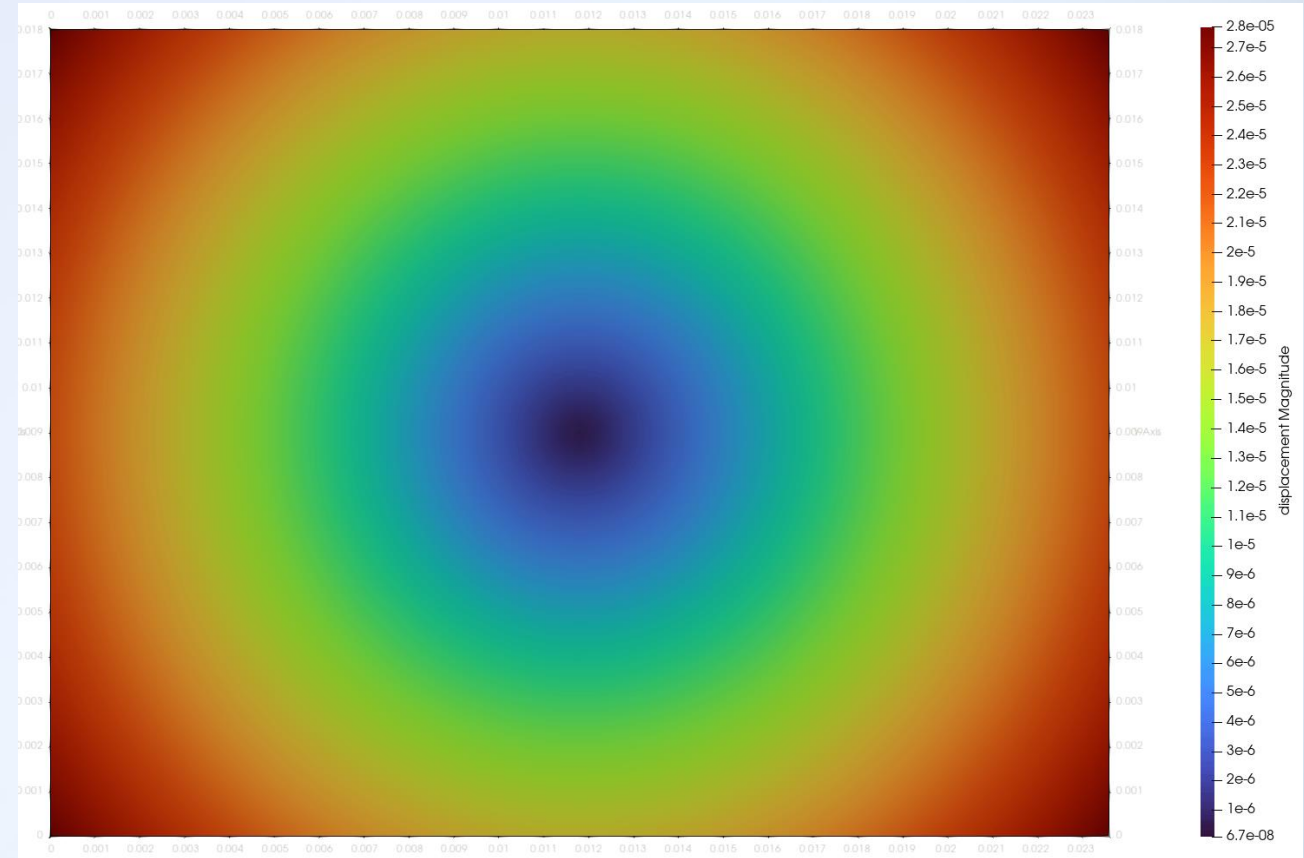


Generate density map from layout data to reduce mesh size

Calculate bow and twist – ADVANCED.hdi

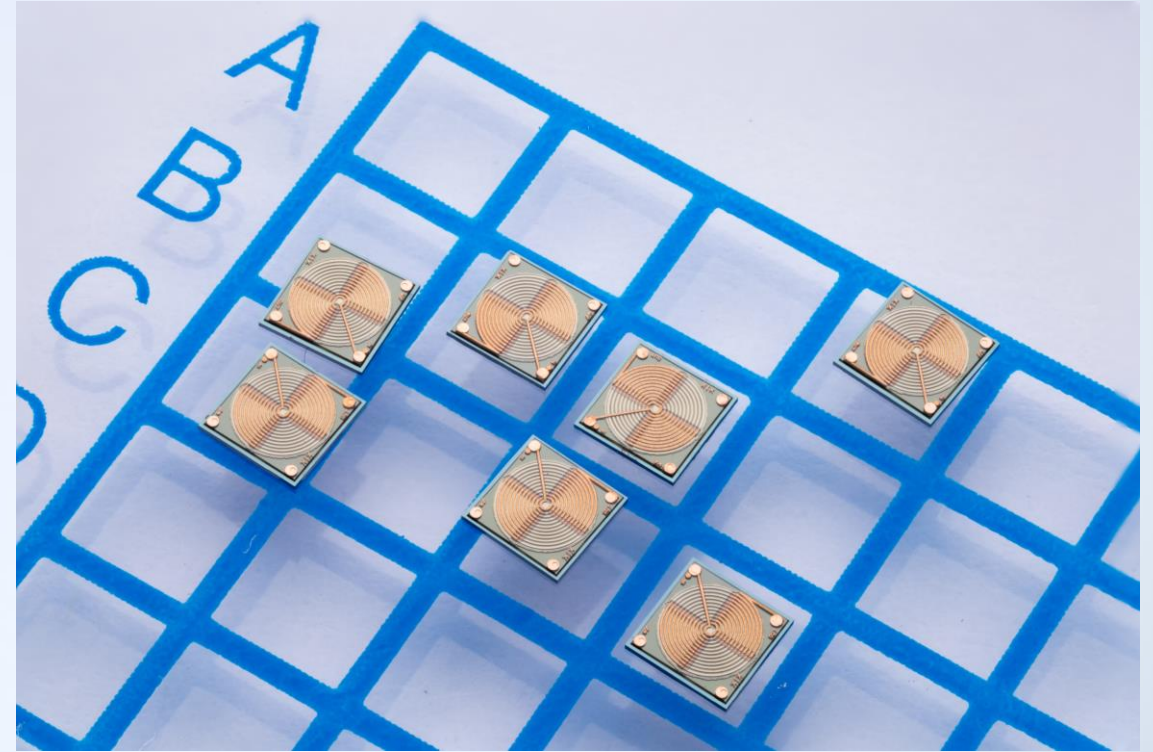
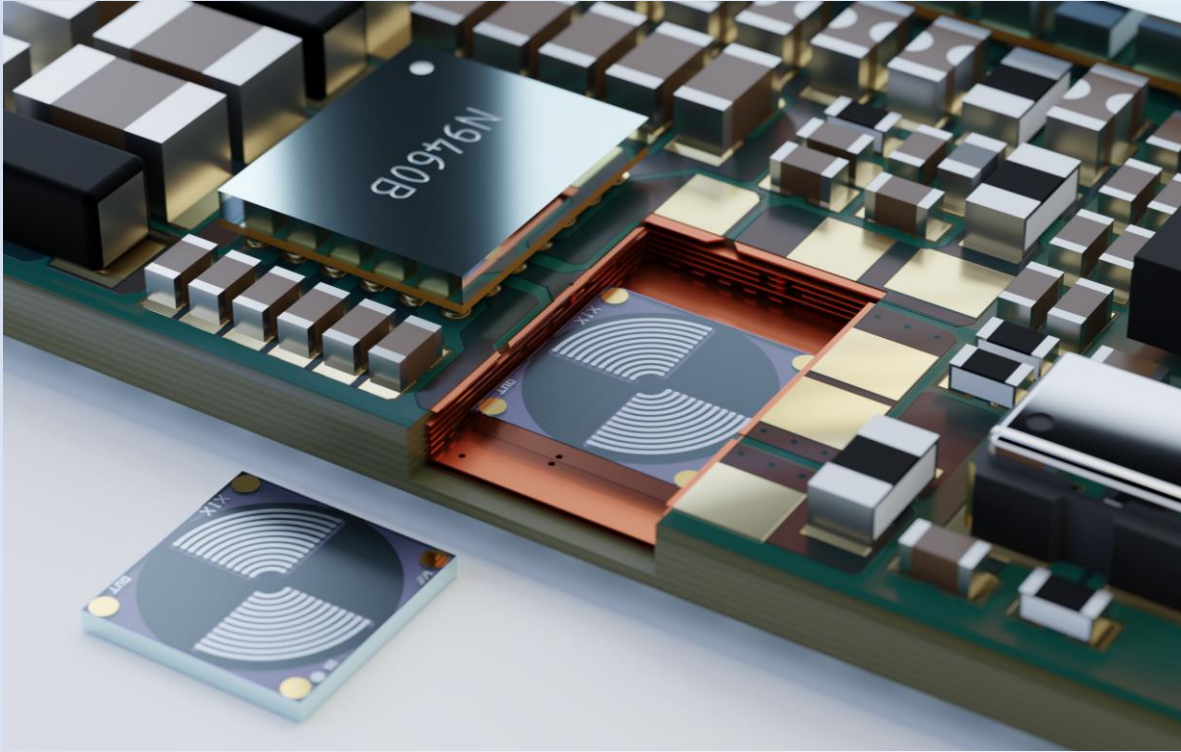


Normalized density representation



Simulation shows 28um displacement magnitude

Component embedding – ADVANCED.hdi



Next miniaturization step: embedded inductors

Component embedding – ADVANCED.hdi

Rigid area structure	Rigid area thickness [µm]	Info	Material description		Assembly/connection types	Viatypes						
						# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	# 7
Soldermask	15											
L1	25											
	40		FR4 PP TG250									
L2	25											
	40		FR4 PP TG250									
L3	25											
	292		FR4 PP TG250									
			FR4 TG250									
			FR4 PP TG250									
L4	25											
	40		FR4 PP TG250									
L5	25											
	40		FR4 PP TG250									
L6	25											
Soldermask	15											

Notes:

1 Burried via from L3 to L4 / can be filled&capped if needed

2 Micro via from L2 to L3 / L5 to L4 can be copper filled if needed

3 Micro via from L1 to L2 / L6 to L5 can be copper filled if needed

4 Standard via from L1 to L4

Component can also be on layer 4

Assembly types - definition of colours


ET Solder


ET Flip-Chip


ET Flip-Chip

ACA

ICA







ET Microvia


ET Microvia


ET Microvia


V1 - NCA

V2 - NCA

V2 - Sinter







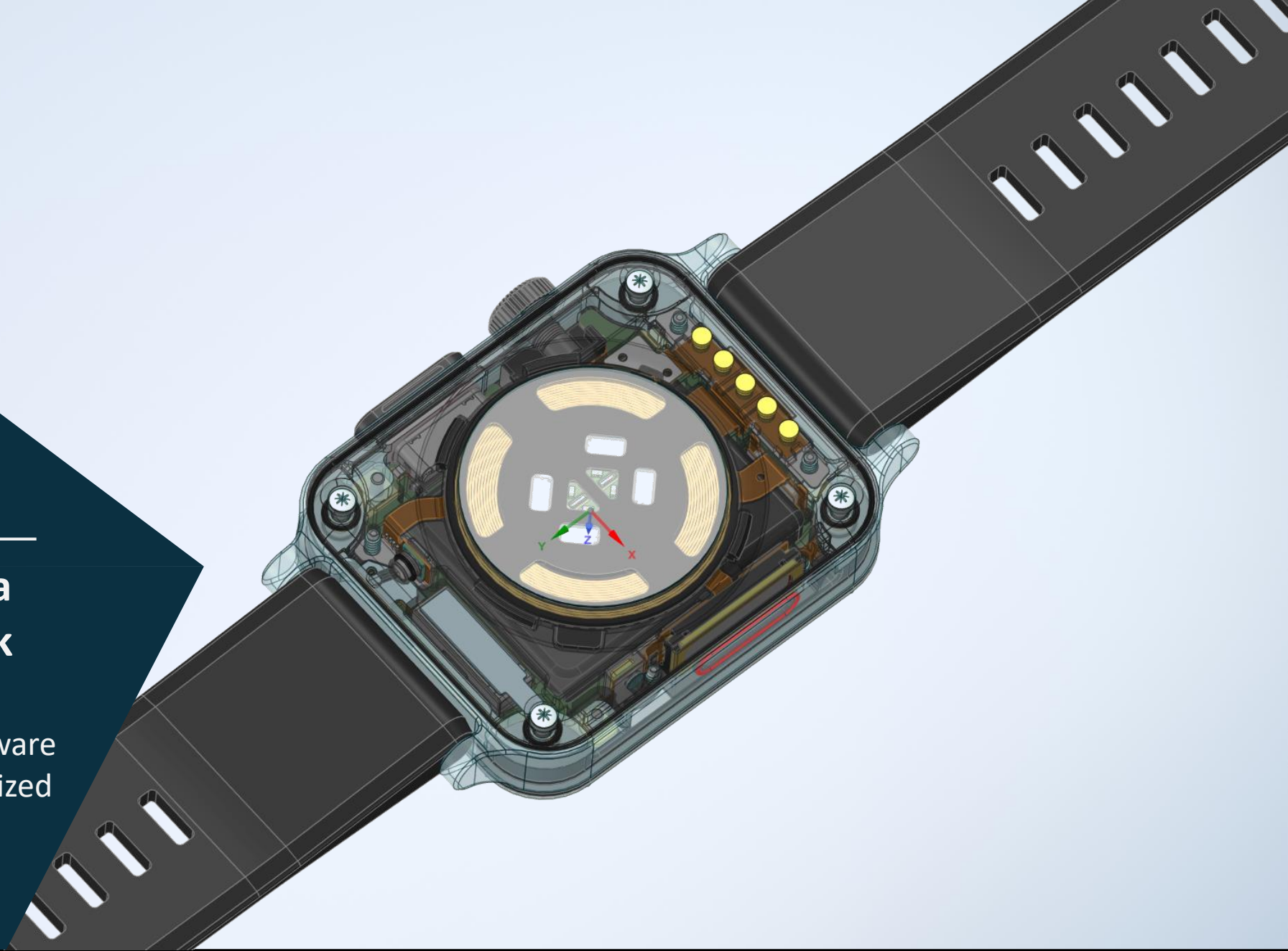
Power Module Layerstack

MCAD & ECAD Desing Walkthrough

Q&A

Open-source hardware as a fundamental building block

The open-source Smart Watch hardware is the ideal starting point for customized wearable solutions. Contact us to discuss innovating in an open ecosystem!



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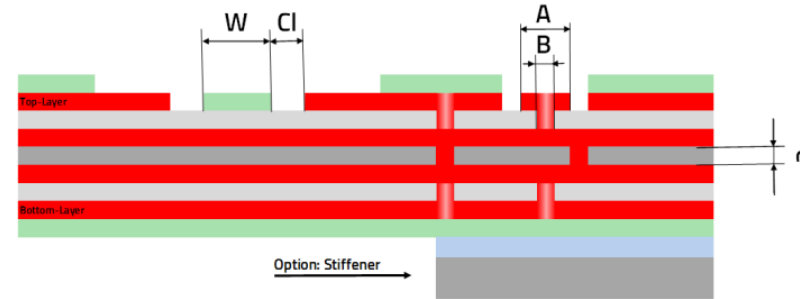


ADVANCED.HDI DESIGN RULES

Download here: <https://www.we-online.com/designrulesadvancedhdi-en>

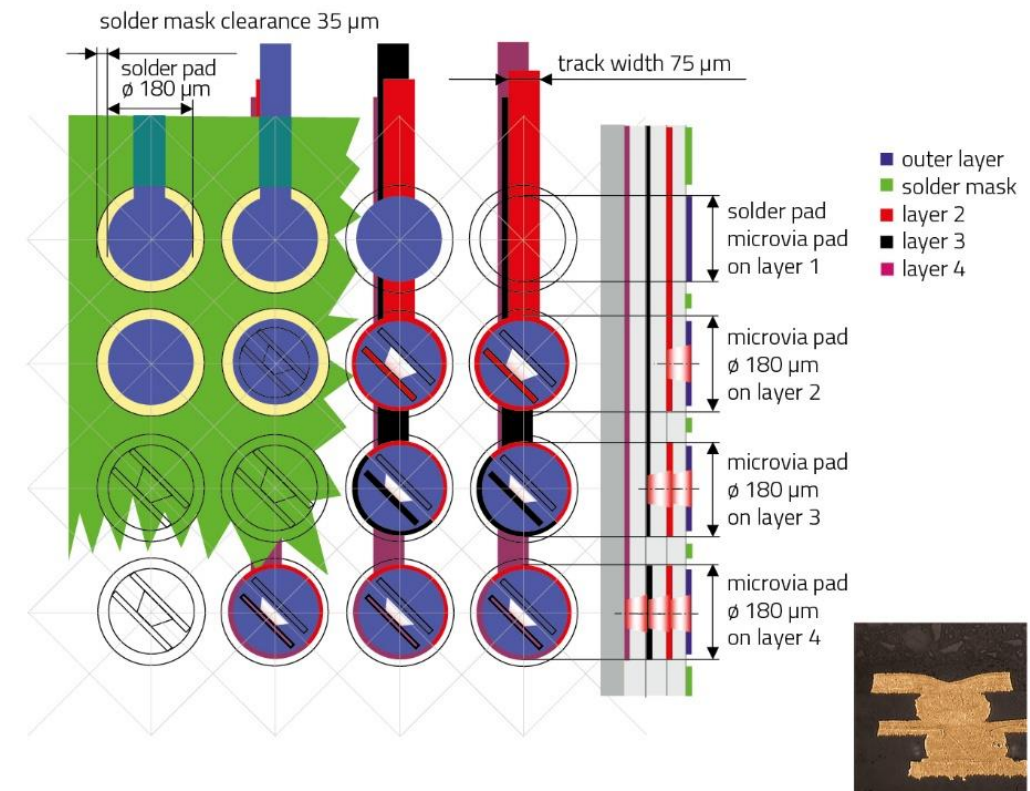
Stackup ADVANCED.hdi (1-2b-1)-Ri

Microvias only



Symbol	Desicription	Technical Standard	Advanced requirements
	Line width and spacing → microvias only	75 µm / 75 µm	50 µm / 50 µm
A	Minimum pad diameter for microvia	225 µm	200 µm
B	Finished hole diameter of lasered microvia, typical	85 µm	70 µm
	For all Pad-connections Teardrops are recommended!		
-	Distance copper to outline	≥ 300 µm	≥ 225 µm
-	Number of copper layers in total	4 to 10	
C	Thickness of core (ANSI GPY/42, halogenfree, filled)	50 µm	100 µm
-	Thickness of cold-bonded stiffener made of FR-4.0 material	0.8 mm	1.00 mm – 1.55 mm
	Thickness of cold-bonded solder carrier made of FR-4.0	0.8 mm	0.8 mm
-	Thickness of glue for stiffener or solder carrier	50 µm	
W	Minimum bridge width photosensitive solder mask	70 µm	50 µm
CI	Minimum clearance of copper pad with solder mask, circumferential	40 µm	35 µm

BGA 0.30 mm pitch

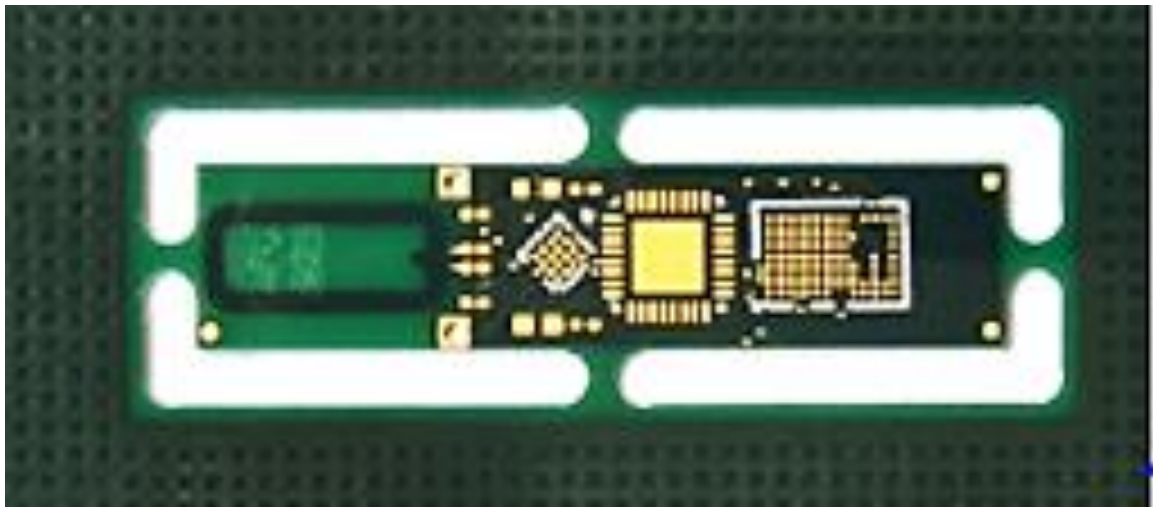


REFERENCE PROJECT

NFC- SMART RING

SLIM.hdi 1-2b-1 BASED ON FR-4.1

- Small & compact housing
- Layout Design 75 μm / 75 μm
- Laser-drilled microvias through all layers (ELIC)
- BGA-footprint pitch 0.35 mm



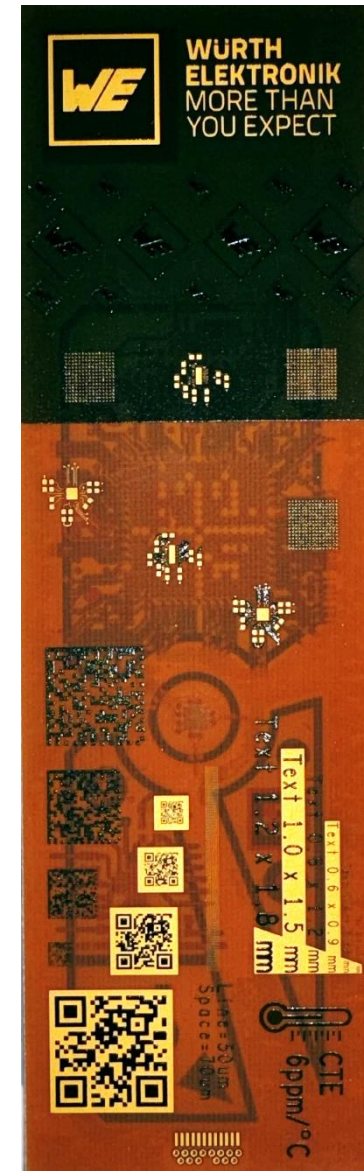
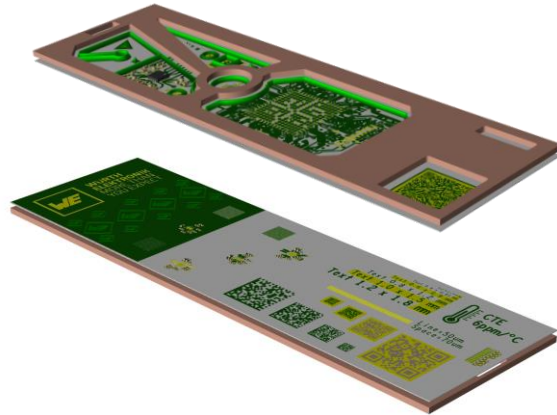
Source: Infineon Technologies

PHYSICAL PCB SAMPLE

ADVANCED.hdi

Base material

- ANSI GPY/42 for interposers and modules
- Low coefficient of thermal expansion: CTE 6 ppm/K
- High glass transition temperature: $T_g \geq 260\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Decomposition temperature: $\geq 430\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Significantly reduced tendency for warping and twisting
- Cycle-resistant



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A close-up, high-angle photograph of a green printed circuit board (PCB) with intricate white and silver circuit traces and numerous circular solder pads. The image is slightly blurred, creating a sense of depth.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!