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“Catching the Mobile Wave: Packaging is Going 3D”

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Hand-held communication and entertainment products will continue to dominate the consumer markets worldwide, and with each generation offering more and more features and/or capability, system level integration and miniaturization becomes more of a priority. And even though the actual applications and functionality of the new product offering expands, the customer is expecting each generation to be smaller and lighter than its predecessor.

The cell phone is a great example of how new technologies and techniques can be applied to maintain performance improvements over time. The explosion of the cell phone market over the last few years is a testament to the increase of functionality and complexity of miniaturization. However, this has led to some serious issues, especially mechanical, thermal and shielding problems. Less than one part in 1,000 of the volume of an electronic product is occupied by transistors. The remaining volume consists of mechanical structure, air, passive elements, cables and connectors. 3D stacking is a natural way to reduce the system volume. Die fabricated at different process geometries can be brought together in a 3D stack, thus avoiding some of the cost issues associated with system-on-chip (SoC) designs. This presentation focuses on the different alternatives available for 3D packaging as well as new ideas that people are planning for the mobile phone revolution to continue.

Dr Haba is responsible for overseeing next-generation research and development activities for Tessera, Inc. Dr. Haba was a founder of SiliconPipe Inc. His previous positions include managing the packaging research and development division at Rambus, managing advanced research and development projects at the NEC Central Research Laboratories in Japan and, before that, he worked for IBM at its T.J. Watson Research Center in New York. He holds 93 U.S. patents, and over 150 worldwide patents and patent applications. Dr. Haba was awarded the Most Inspirational Paper award at the 2006 BiTS Workshop.

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Outline

- Introduction
- Driving forces and limitations
- 3-D package stacking
- 3-D wafer-level stacking
- 3-D by embedding technologies
- 3-D in optics
- Conclusion

Packaging is the key

- About 1cm cube of silicon
- The rest is Packaging



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Mobile Phone Evolution



1970s
~\$5000
Voice

1980s
~\$4000
Voice

1990s
~\$300
Voice

Today
Free Voice,
Data

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Evolution of Memory



- 5MB IBM hard drive, 1956



Jan 7th PR: SanDisk Announces the 12-Gigabyte microSDHC Card – the World's Largest Capacity Card for Mobile Phones

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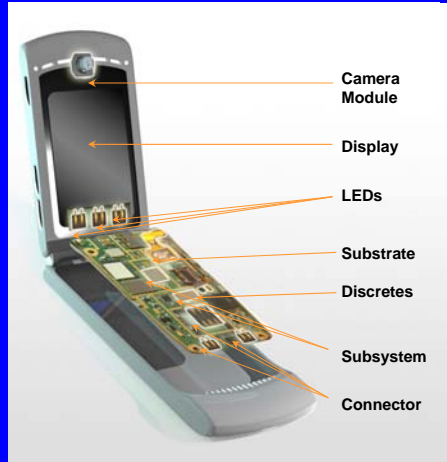
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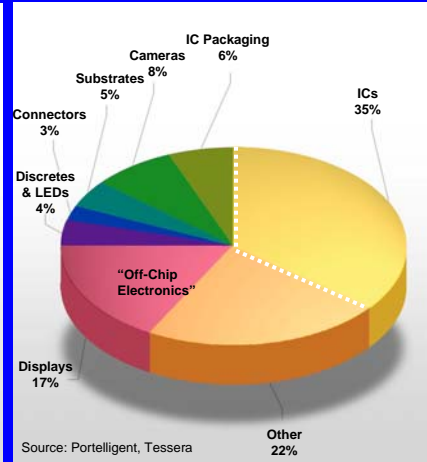
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The Inside of Mobile Phones

Mobile Phone Components



Mobile Phone Distribution of BOM



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2007 ITRS & iNEMI Updates

Packaging is now a limiting factor but it is enabling for More than Moore

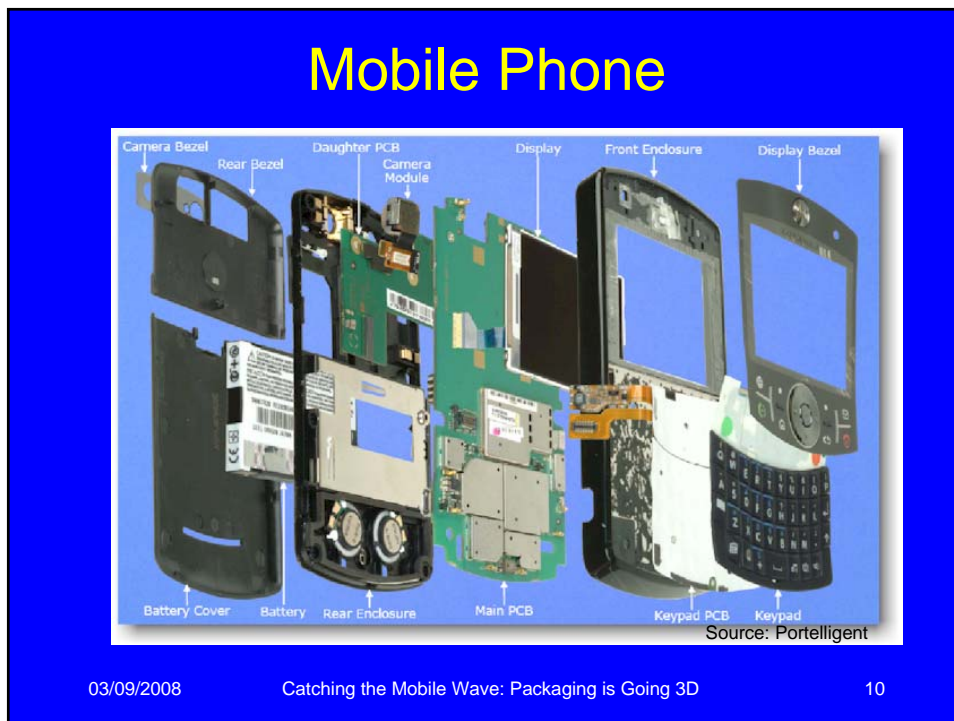
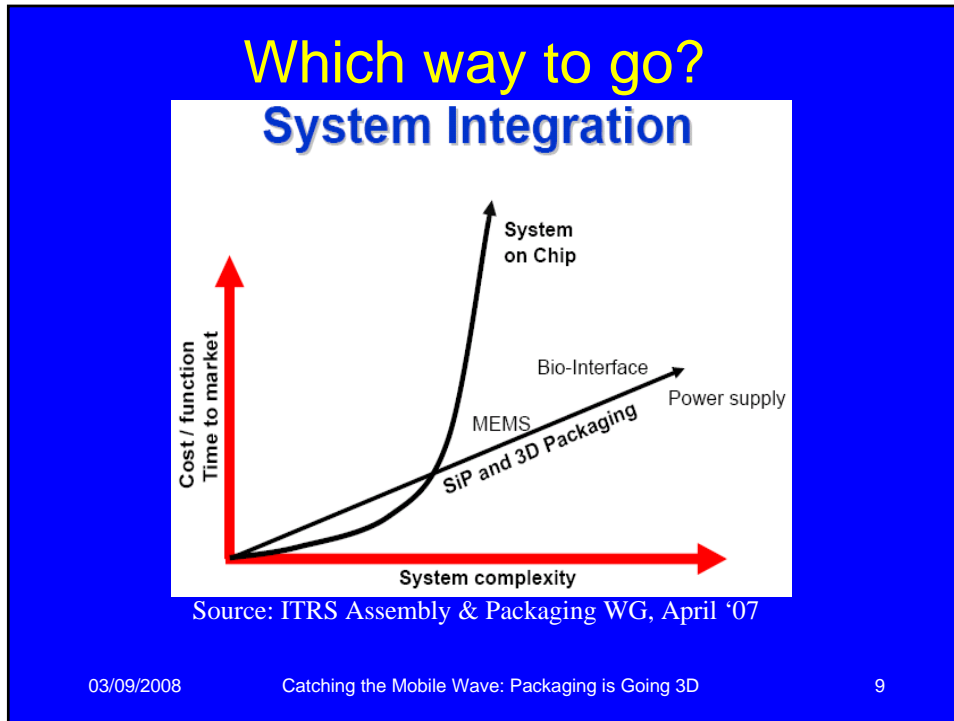
- Packaging has become the limiting element in system cost and performance
- The Assembly and packaging role is expanding to include system level integration functions.
- As traditional Moore's law scaling become more difficult innovation in assembly and packaging can take up the slack.

Source: ITRS & iNEMI 2007 updates

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Phone Thickness Drivers

- Voltage control inductors
- High-value Capacitors
- Filters
- Oscillators
- Camera
- Connectors
- Battery
- Package stacking



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Integrated Hermetic Packaging



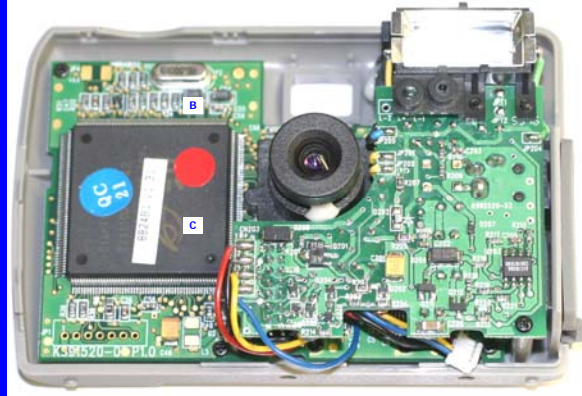
- SAWs, crystal oscillators and many MEMS oscillators require hermetic packaging
- Hermetic packaging is difficult to integrate into typical low-cost electronic assemblies

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Main Board of Camera



Cameras are too thick

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3D Electronics (like Human Evolution)



2D development



3D improves density and efficiency

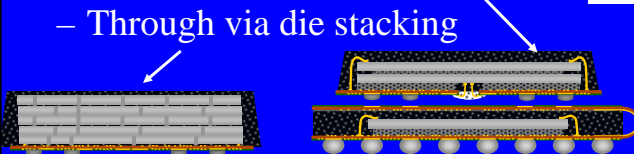
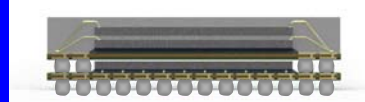
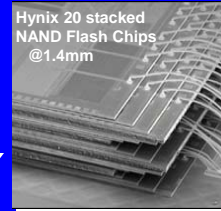
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Third direction: Z direction

- As many die as possible in z-direction
- 3 solutions:
 - Wire bondable die stacking in single package
 - Package stacking (POP: package on package)
 - Ball-Stack
 - Fold over
 - Through via die stacking



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Different Stacking Technologies

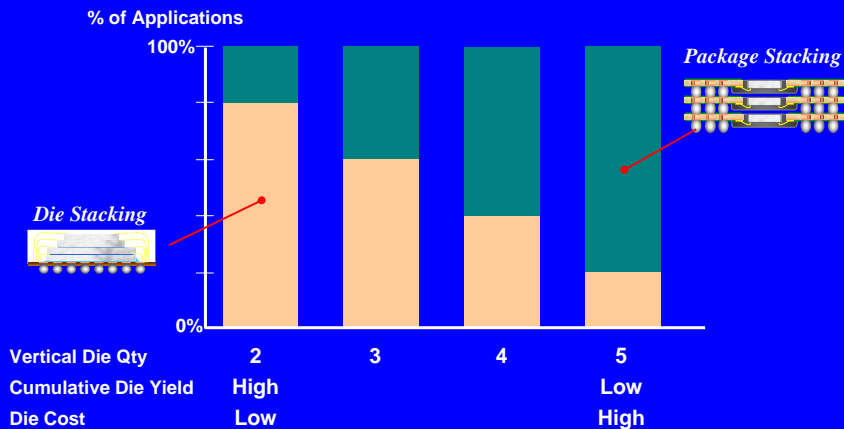
- Package stacking technologies
 - Solder ball
 - Cu pin
- Die stacking technologies
 - Wire bond stacking
 - Through Silicon Via stacking
 - Edge bond stacking

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3-D: When to Die Stack vs. Package Stack

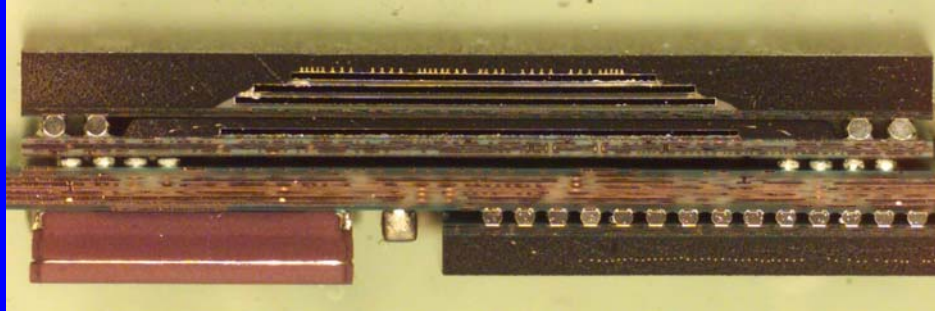


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Package on Package



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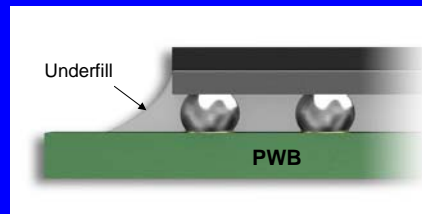
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Addressing the Challenges – Reliability



the Need for Underfilling



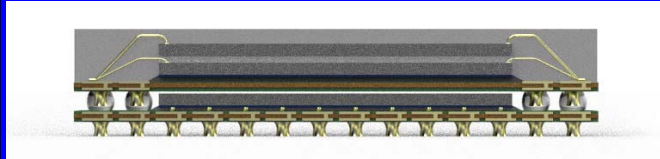
- Mobile phones drop tests increasingly difficult to pass
- Underfill is a necessity – increases cost and effective size

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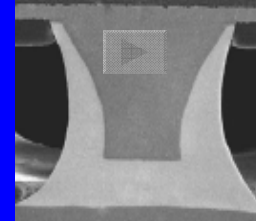
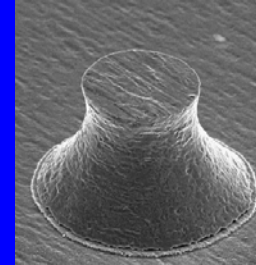
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Typical Pin after SMT



Improvement in drop test



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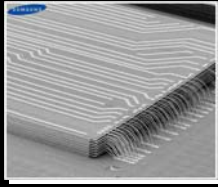
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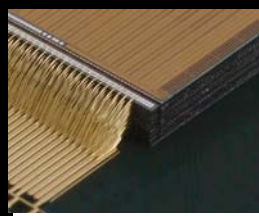
Latest High Die Stacking Press Releases



Samsung

- 16 die stacked
- 8Gb NAND flash chips, can enable up to a 16 gigabyte (GB) MCP solution
- Wafer-thinning technology to only 30-micrometers (μm) (65% thickness of 10 chips)

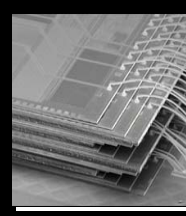
November 01, 2006



Akida Elpida

- 20 stacked NAND Flash Chips @1.4mm thickness
- Die Thickness: 30 μm

April 23, 2007



Hynix

- 20 stacked NAND Flash Chips @1.4mm thickness
- Die Thickness: 25 μm

May 06, 2007

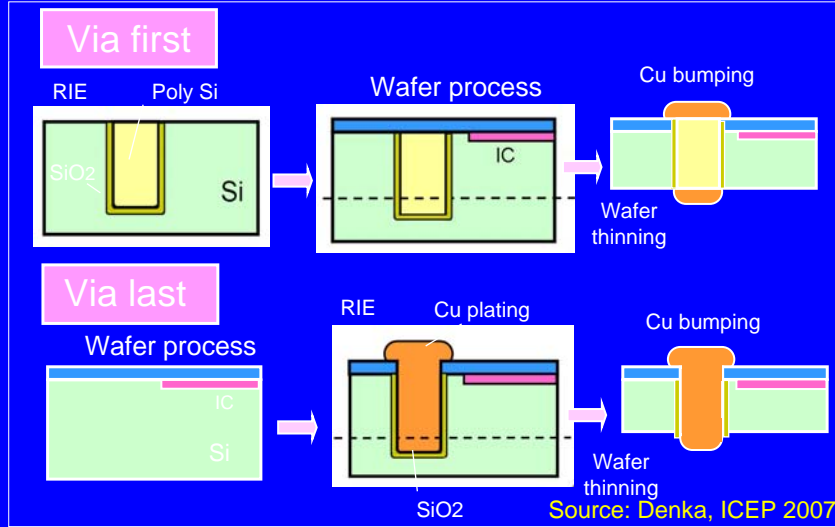
High die stacking (beyond 4-6) has substantial manufacturing challenges:

- High cost
- Compound yield
- Complex assembly process
- Questionable reliability performance

Challenges With Wire Bond Stack

- Grinding very thin die
- Handling of very thin die
- Wire bonding of thin die overhang
- Compound yield
- Testing and burn-in

“Via first” and “Via last” process flow



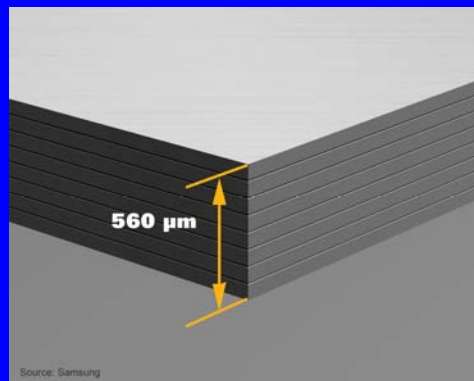
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Through Silicon Vias

Eight Stacked Chips (WSP)



8-die Stack

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Challenges with Through Silicon Vias

- Grinding very thin die especially at 12 inch wafers
- Handling of very thin die
- Rigidity in via design and via real estate
- Testing and burn-in
- Availability of infrastructure

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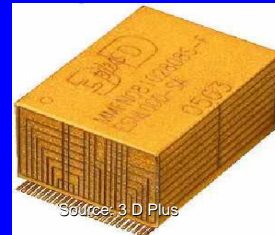
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Stacking By Edge Connect



16-die Flash Stack



8-die Flash Stack



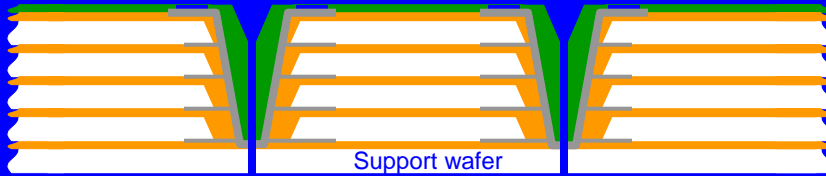
16-die Flash Stack

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Wafer Level Edge Contact From Tessera

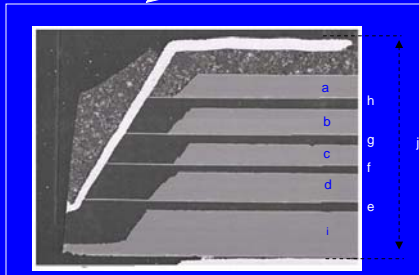
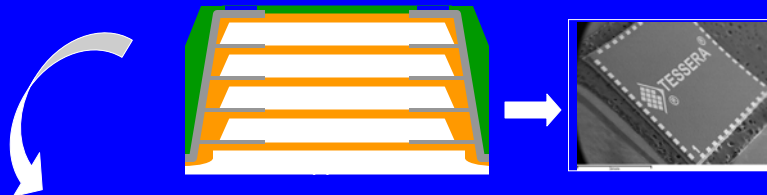


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Final Product (Ready For Wire Bond)



Item	Thickness	Comments
Die	~25 μm	a, b, c, d, e
Adhesive	~3 μm	e, f, g, h
Carrier	30 μm	i

Total Package Thickness ~ 155 μm

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Final Product (Ready For Surface Mount)

Ultra thin 4 x Die stack

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Six, 4-Die Stacks Within a Pkg (24 die < 1 mm)

3D schematic

Wire bond to 6 WLSP

SD Card Footprint

Cross Sectional SEM

950 um

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Toward 32 die in < 1 mm

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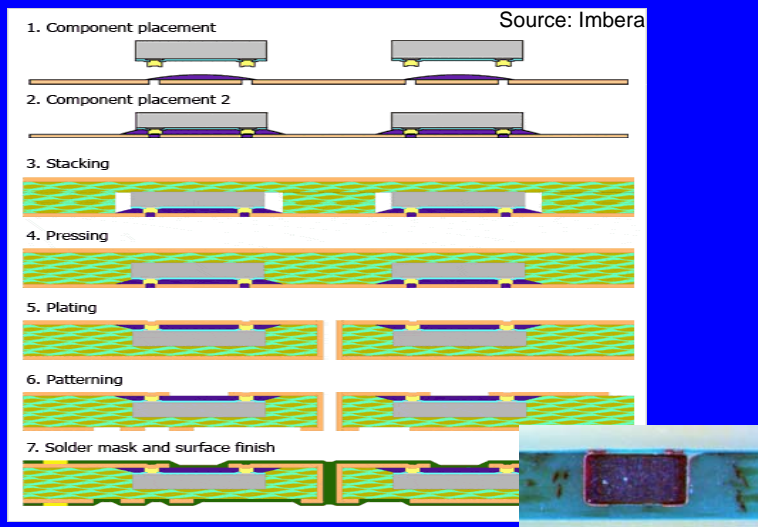
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IMBERA Embedded Process



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FREESCALE RADIO-IN-PACKAGE USING RCP

General Process flow

Fabricate Memory Base with embedded components

Add Stacked Pkgs

Attach solder balls, Singulate, final test

20x20mm area

20x20mm area

Source: Freescale.

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FREESCALE RCP RADIO IN PACKAGE

Memory Base

Transceiver & PA

Baseband Processor

Power Management

All 'sub-assemblies' are fully tested using traditional 'non-integrated' test methodologies AND using conventional lowest test cost (ATE) platforms

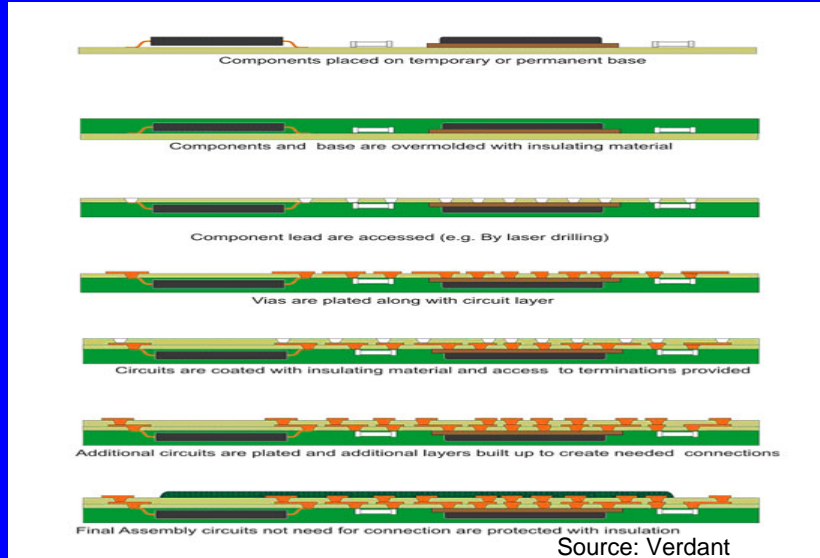
NOW READY FOR SYSTEM INTEGRATION

profile view

top view

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OCCAM Process

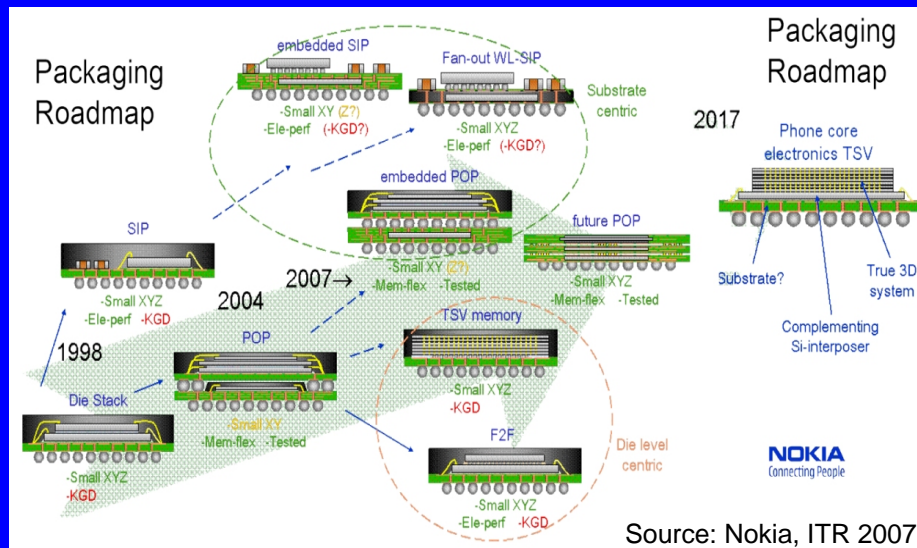


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Nokia Miniaturization Roadmap

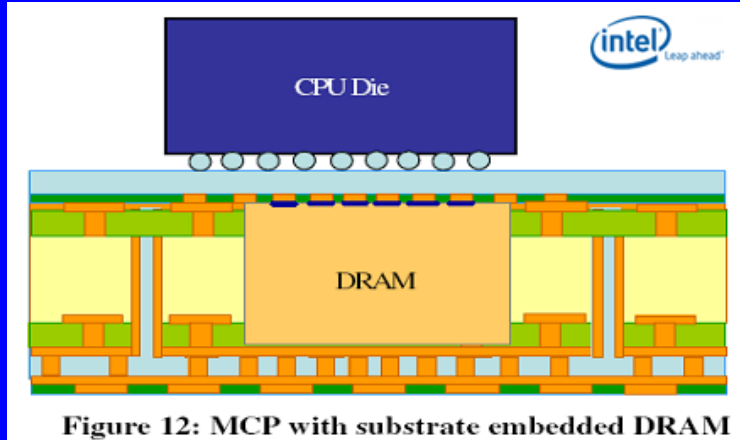


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Embedded DRAM

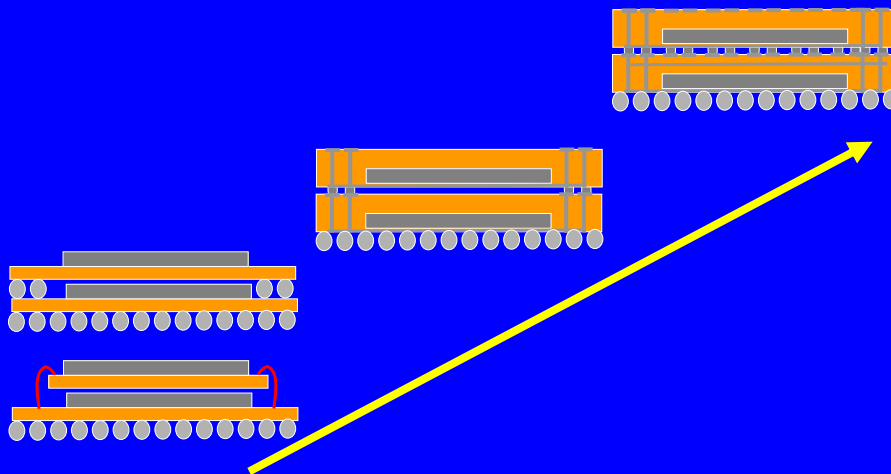


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Likelihood of Evolution of POP



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Main Board of Camera

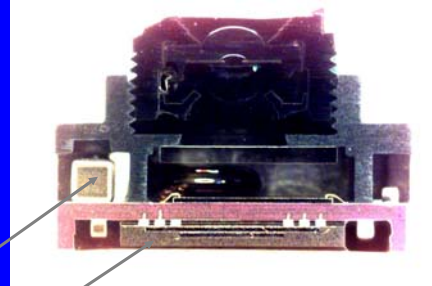
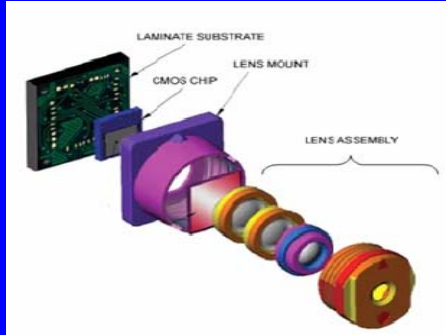


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Cell Phone Camera Module



Passives

Image processor and memory

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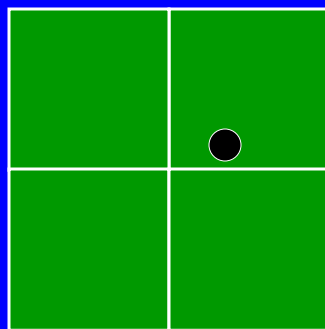
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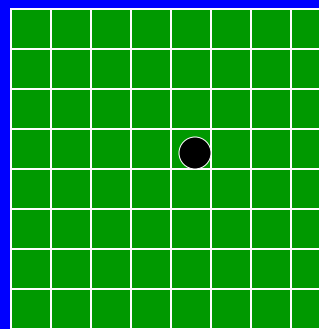
COB Assembly Smaller pixels - More particle problems

Lower Resolution
Larger Pixels



Particle has small effect on pixel

Higher Resolution
Smaller Pixels



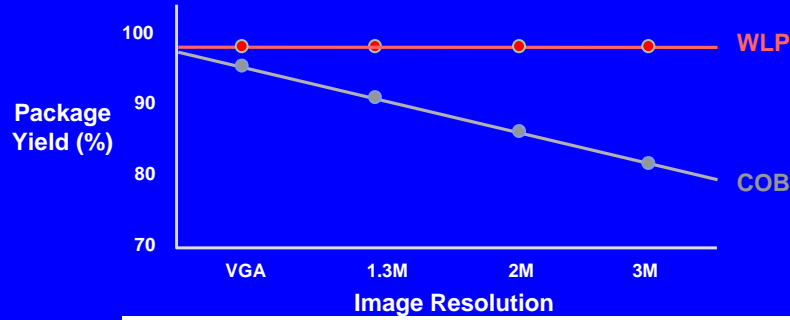
Particle has large effect on pixel

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COB vs WLP Module Yield



Particle Contamination During COB Manufacturing
Decreases Yield at Higher Resolution

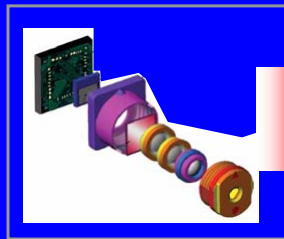
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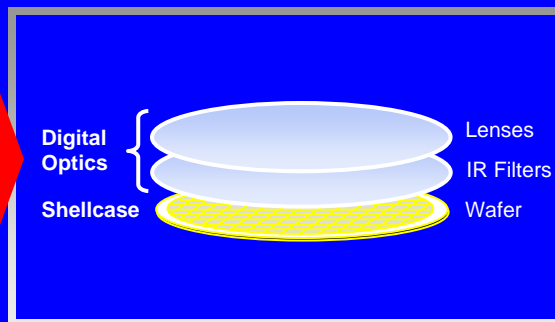
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Wafer Level Camera Modules

From This...



To This...



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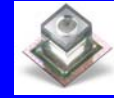
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Revolutionizing the Camera Module

Conventional
camera phone



OptiML™
wafer level technology



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Image Without EDOF



1 Meter
Away

Infinity

10 Centimeters
Away

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Image With EDOF



1 Meter
Away

Infinity

10 Centimeters
Away

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Conclusion

- Packages are getting thinner and thinner
- Contact pitch are getting smaller and smaller
- Multiple die packages will become the norm
- See more and more embedded passives and some actives
- Packages would have contacts from top and bottom
- Expect complex testing schemes

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