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Session Chair

BiTS Workshop 2015 Schedule

Frontiers Day

Monday March 16 1:30 pm

Spanning the Socket Rainbow

"Contacting Solutions for High Power Bare Die Testing (IGBT MOS-FET and Diodes)"

Markus Wagner - Cohu SEG

"Comparison of Different Methods in Determining Current Carrying Capacity of Semiconductor Test Contacts"

Valts Treiberis - Xcerra Corporation

"Are New Temperature Test Strategies Needed? Meeting Performance and Cost Requirements of Today's Applications"

Andreas Nagy - Xcerra Corporation

"Extreme Temperature and High Current Testing Challenges of Automotive Devices"

Praveen kumar Ramamoorthy & Murad Hudda - Infineon Technologies

Dan Maccoux & Muhamad Izzat bin Roslee - JF Microtechnology

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Comparison of Different Methods in Determining Current Carrying Capacity of Semiconductor Test Contacts

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Presentation Agenda

- Current Carrying Capacity (CCC) as discussed at BiTS, SWTW, and standards
 - Force relaxation method
 - IR Thermal imaging method
 - Thermocouple T-Rise method
- Example case study: CCC testing of a 0.3mm pitch spring probe
- Discussion and comparison of results – is there a best method for BiTS interconnects?

BiTS 2003 - Paricon



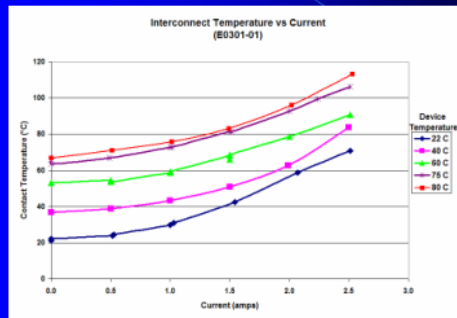
Standard Method to Measure
Socket Current Carrying
Capability

or:
A Naive Attempt to Get
Customers to Make Their
Supplier's Life Easier

Roger Weiss, PhD



Current Carrying Capability



- No industry standards apply to power characterization of sockets
- Single thermocouple approach from PCB side of interconnect
- Emulates socket thermal environment


BITS 2004 – K&S



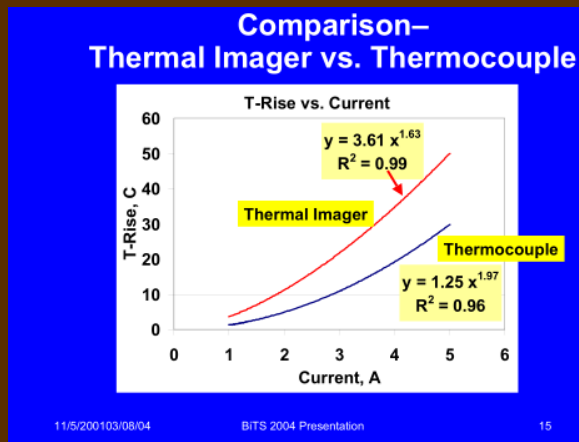
Study of Current Carrying Capacity Measurement

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- Thermocouple T-Rise vs. IR Camera
 - Thermal Imager and thermocouple measurements generally agree – IR camera more repeatable and accurate
 - Thermocouple only 1-point measurement and act as heat-sink



BiTS 2004 - IBM

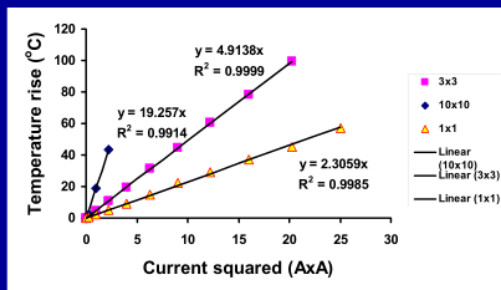
Current Rating for Contacts Time to Standardize the Test Method

Qifang "Michelle" Qiao
IBM Microelectronics

Karl G. Schoenfeld
Gonzer Associates



How Test Method B Can Help Predict Other Cases



- 2-Step approach – characterize T-rise of single pin at ambient in air then of cluster of pins
- Develop model to predict socket performance
- Test based on EIA-364-70 standard

BiTS 2004 - Intel

Socket Current Carrying Capacity (CCC) Characterization

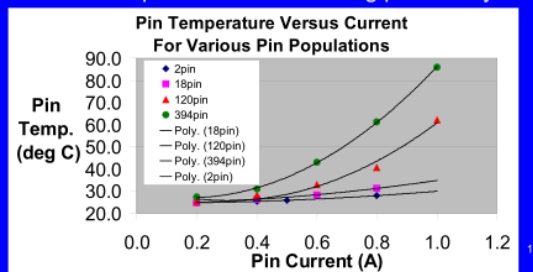
Victor Henckel
Glenn Cunningham
Hongfei Yan



Intel Corporation

Test Result

- Test performed at room temperature (23C).
- T_{pin} , $T_{substrate}$, and $T_{pintail}$ at current levels.
- Below is the T_{pin} for various pin populations.
 - Steeper Trise for increasing pin density.



- One-pin thermocouple method not adequate
- Socket thermal environment must be taken into account
- Capability from socket suppliers needed to characterize entire socket CCC

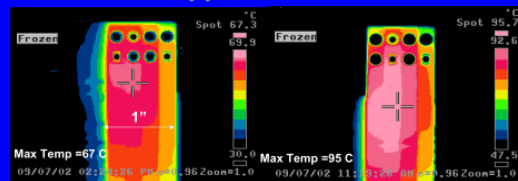
BITS 2004 - Intel

Challenges In High Current PCB Power Delivery

Hon Lee Kon
Anthony Wong Yeh Chiing
Intel Test Tooling Operations



Temperature Rise Experiment on Copper Clad PCB



Stackup A, 2 oz Cu at 70 A,
300 LFM

Stackup B, 2 oz Cu at 70 A,
300 LFM

PCB Stackup do affect thermal dissipation

BITS 2005

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- Intel then further pushed the challenge into the PCB for power delivery
- Demonstrated the same methodology used in characterizing socket interconnects
- Introduced thermal simulation

BITS 2009 - Johnstech

Pulsed Current-Carrying Capacity
of Small Metallic Conductors
as Applied to Device Test

Harlan Faller, P.E.
Johnstech International



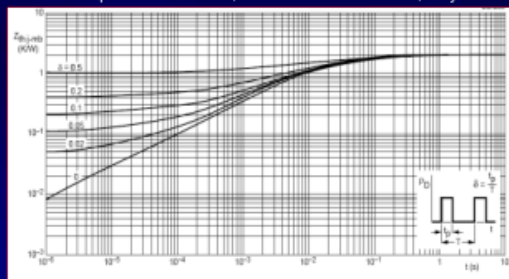
2009 BITS Workshop
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Johnstech

- Very useful tutorial in correlating pulsed current applications to steady-state
- Guidelines presented for pulsed current contact reliability, but no specific test method

Transient Analysis

Graph of thermal impedance vs. pulse time/duty factor
Ref: Philips Semiconductor, *Thermal Considerations*, May 1999





3/2009 Pulsed Current-Carrying Capacity of Small Metallic Conductors as Applied to Device Test 16

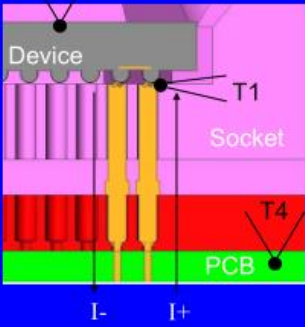
BITS 2009 - IDI

Moore or Less:
Effects of Higher Currents on Socket Life

Authored and Presented by:
Kevin DeFord
Interconnect Devices Inc.

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- Daisy chain devices
SAC-105
- Force Current thru pairs
- Contact Interface is observed



3/2009 Moore or Less: Effects of Higher Currents on Socket Life 7

- Single-pin in air (thermocouple) method not adequate, but a good baseline
- Propose to introduce DUT metallic interface into the mix – simulate real world
- Intermetallics and electromigration degrade even CCC even more

BiTS 2011 - Multitest

Contact Force Change As A Measure For Current Carrying Capability

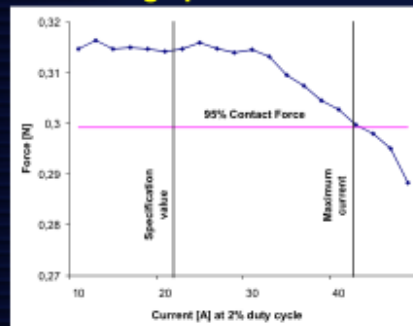
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Multitest



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Determining specification current

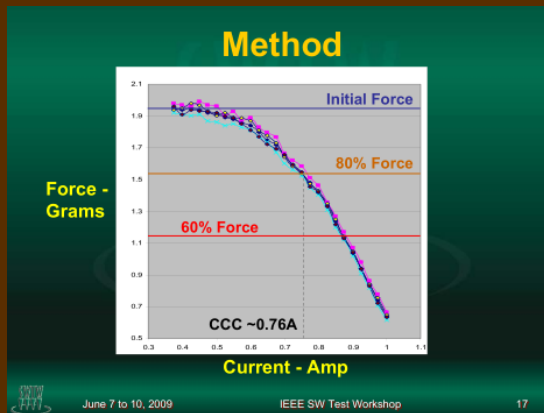


03/2011 Contact Force Change As A Measure For Current Carrying Capability 21

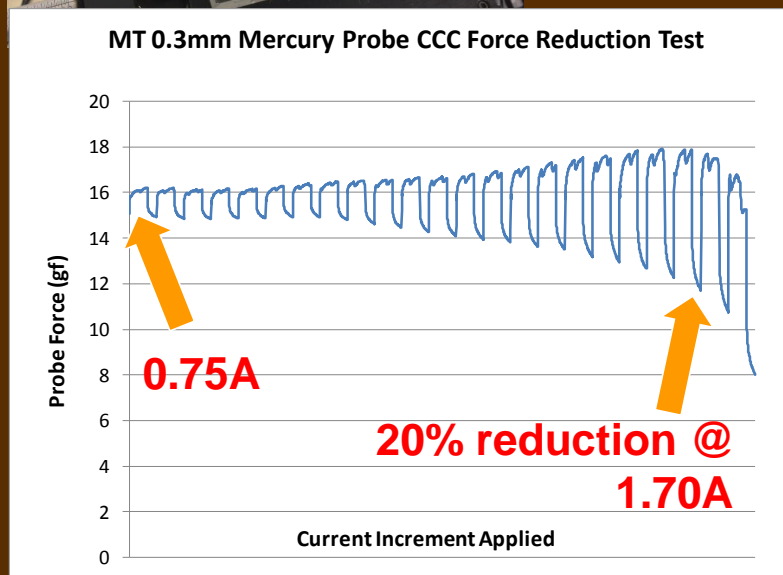
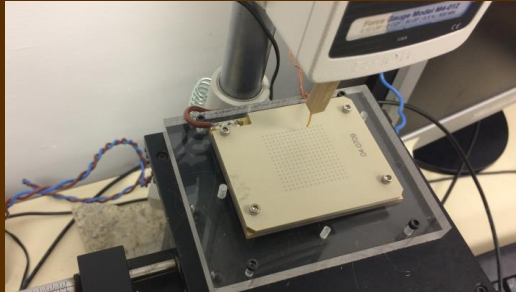
- Proposed and compared a loss of contact force in a cantilever-based contact due to joule heating
- Proved that method can be correlated with single-pin T-rise thermocouple method

ISMI Probe Council CCC Measurement Guideline

- Pub. 2009 from the MFGM042M project –and presented at SWTW 2009 for wafer probe CCC
 - Failure defined as 20% force reduction
 - DC current applied at nominal overdrive, then force is measured at room temp. after prescribed cool-down period
 - Test is stopped when probe force reduction reaches 40%
 - 30 probes are tested – selected randomly
 - Is it useful for socket contacts – one piece or assembled probes?



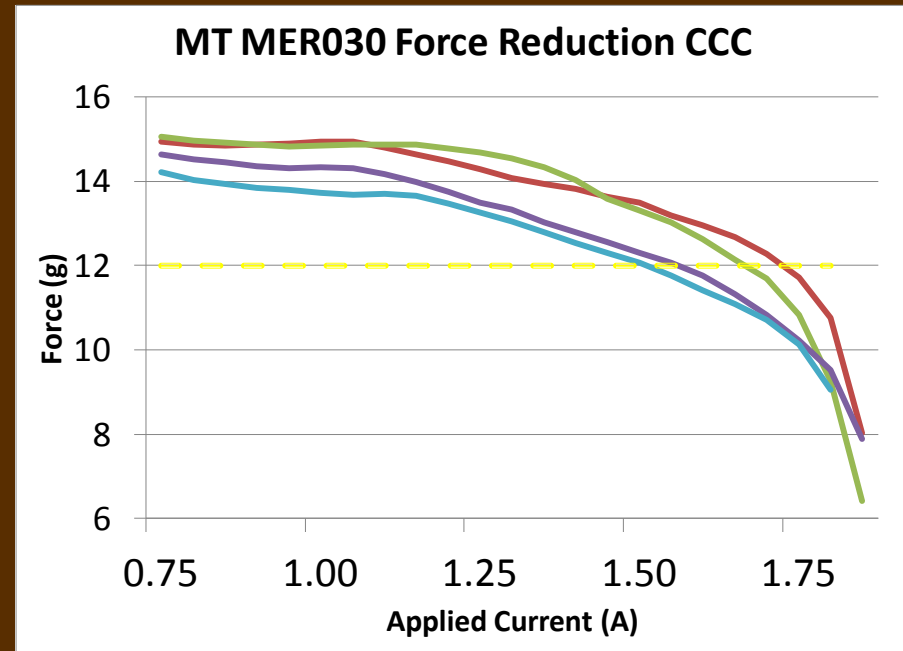
ISMI CCC Example: 0.3mm Spring Probe



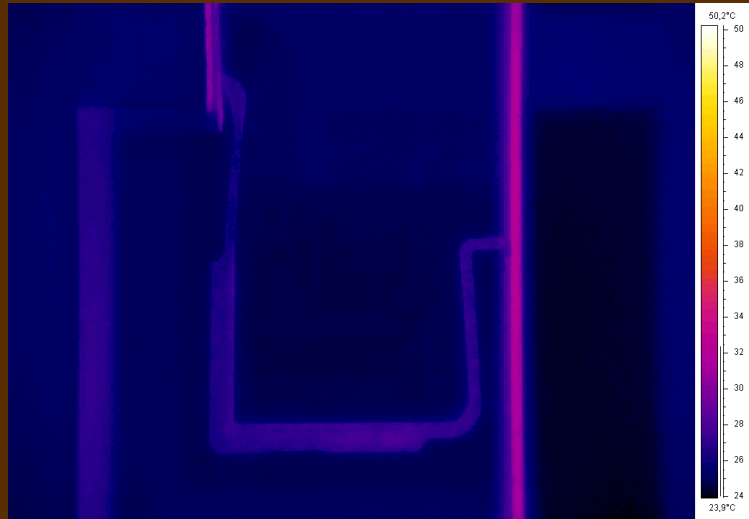
- Single probe placed in fixture
- Stage adjusted until nominal probe force achieved
- Each DC current increment applied for 2 min, 1 min cool-down *
- Looped until 40% reduction seen

ISMI CCC Example: 0.3mm Spring Probe

- Spring element in probe heats and expands – increasing probe force during power cycle
- Cool-down period is very long: 5-10 minutes required at higher currents.
 - Socket housing materials and cross-sections dissipate heat very slowly



Thermal Imaging CCC Method



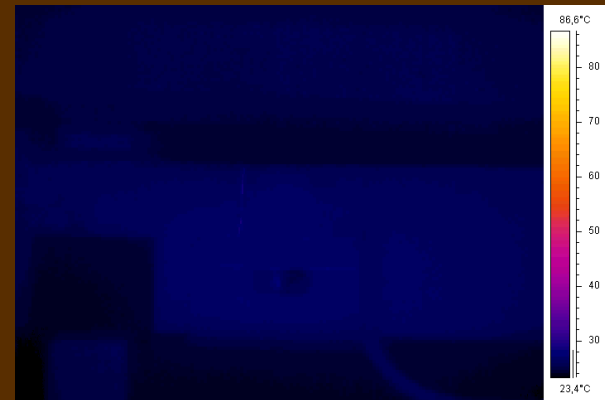
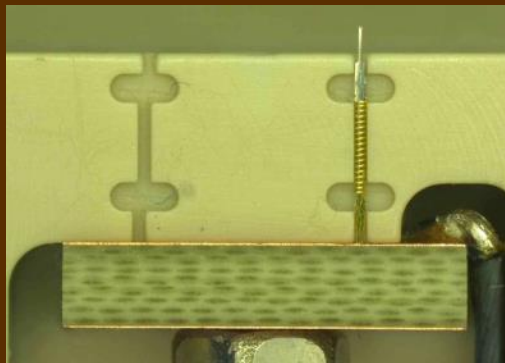
- Sees thermal conduction in real-time – finds hot-spot
- Observe accumulating heat in socket housing

Example: pulsed current in MT high-power ecoAmp one-piece cantilever contact

Thermal Imaging Example: 0.3mm Spring Probe

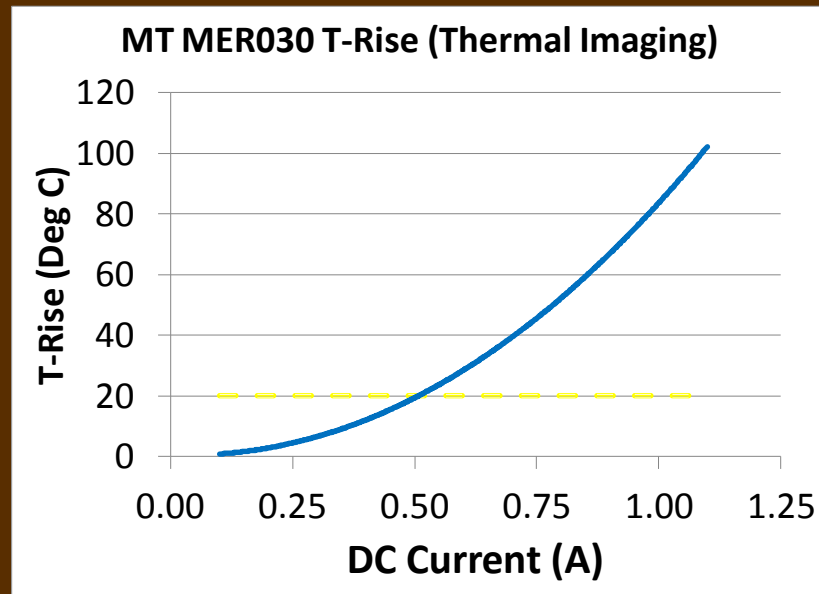


- FLIR P640 camera
- Custom PEEK fixture with exposed side
- Clamped to probe test height



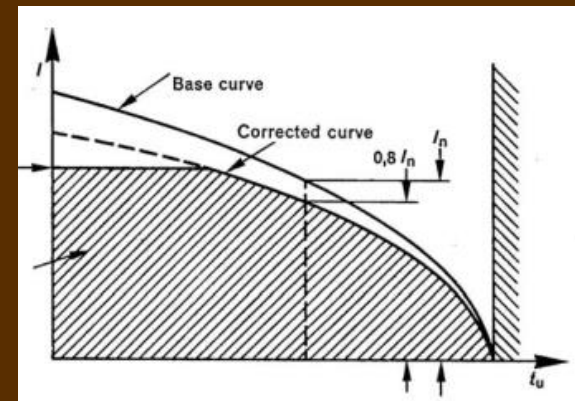
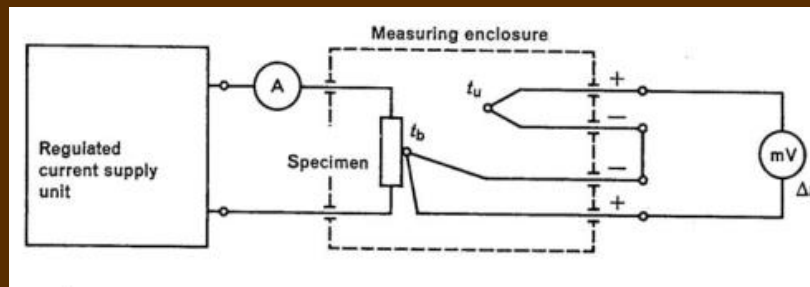
Thermal Imaging Example: 0.3mm Spring Probe

- IR camera reported highest temperature
- Smooth data, but limited in resolution

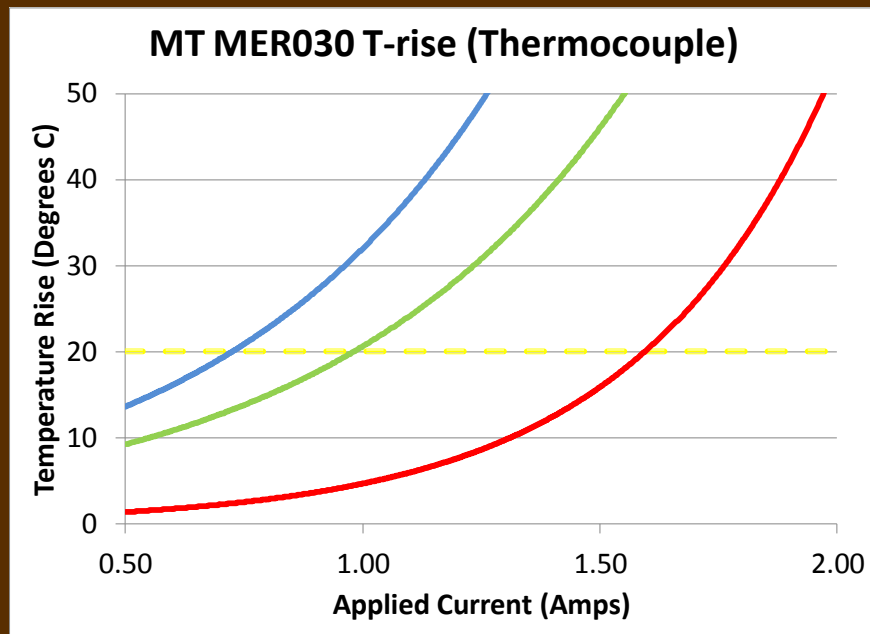


Thermocouple T-Rise Method

- IEC 60512-5-2 Test 5b
 - Standard test method to assess the CCC of electromechanical components (connectors) at elevated ambient temperature.
- EIA/ECA 364-70
 - Temperature rise versus current test procedure for electrical connectors and sockets

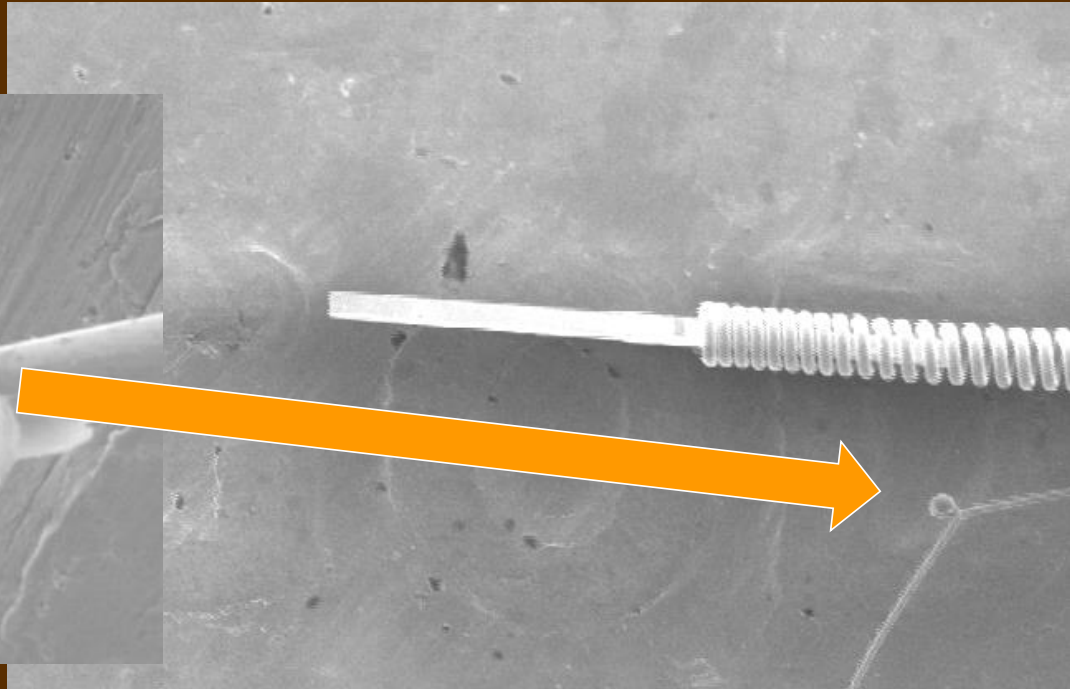
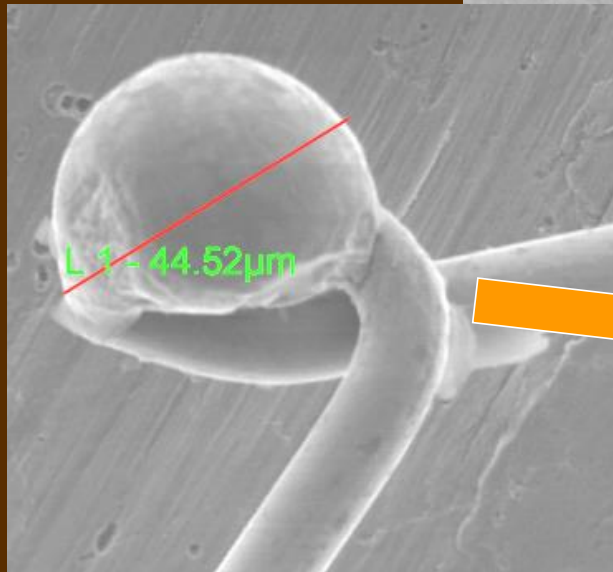


Thermocouple Example: 0.3mm Spring Probe



- 3 test runs – avg. 10 pins each
- Very high variability of results
- Thermocouple proximity to hotspots questionable

Thermocouple Insanity



2.1.3.1 Thermocouples

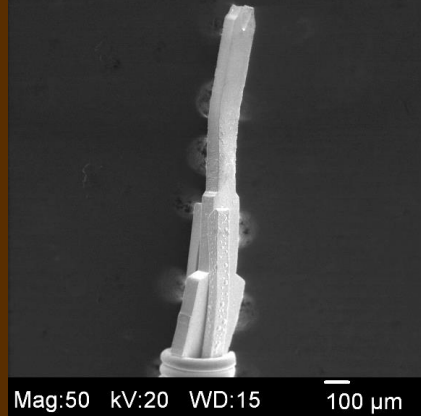
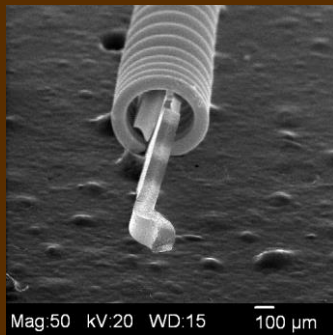
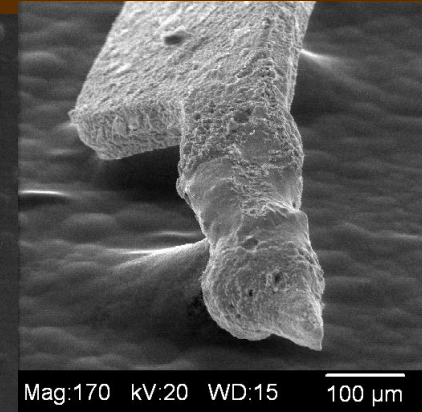
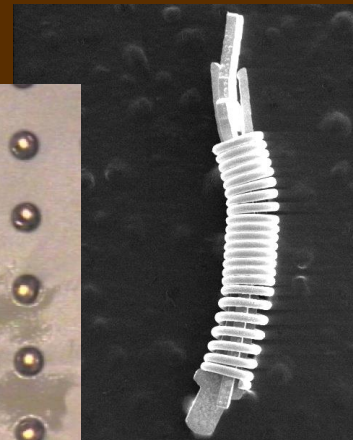
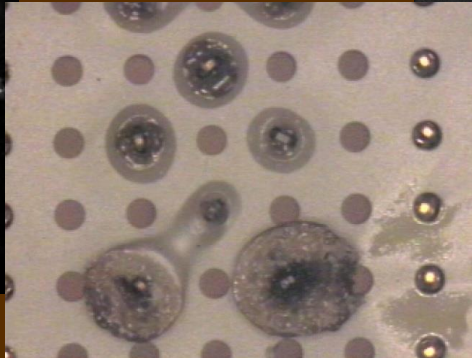
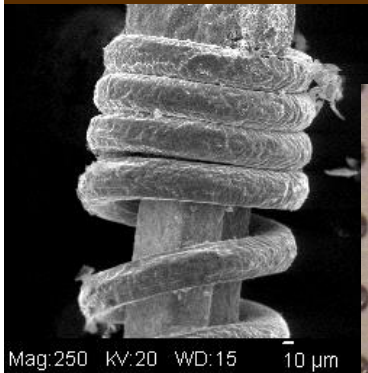
From EIA 364-70

In order to reduce heat sinking the cross sectional area of the thermocouple wire shall not exceed 50% of the cross sectional area of the contact(s) being measured.

Comparison & Discussion

Method	Pros	Cons
Thermocouple	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Standard' methods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <.3mm challenging • Derating curve • Miss hot-spots
ISMI Force-Reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can be done in socket housings • Can be robotically automated – lights-out 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long test time • Derating curve
Thermal Imaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See real-time hot-spots 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thermal environment not real • Resolution
Modeling & Simulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn about design in advance of hardware 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Model assumptions • Needs accurate correlation

All We Want To Do Is Avoid This ☹️



Mag:25 kV:20 WD:15 100 µm

