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## “Connecting Your DUT To Your Tester”

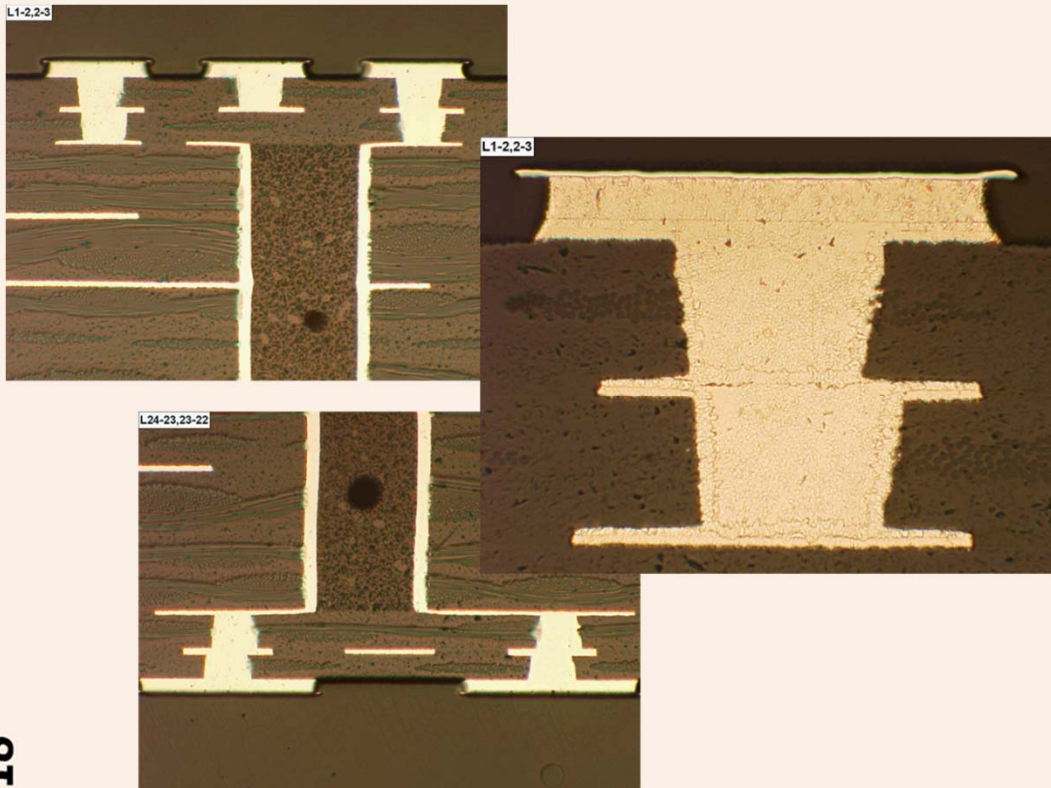
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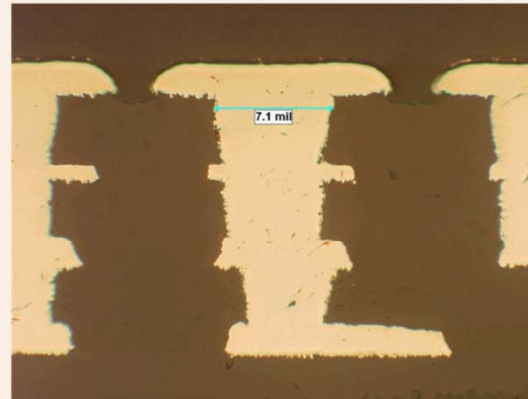
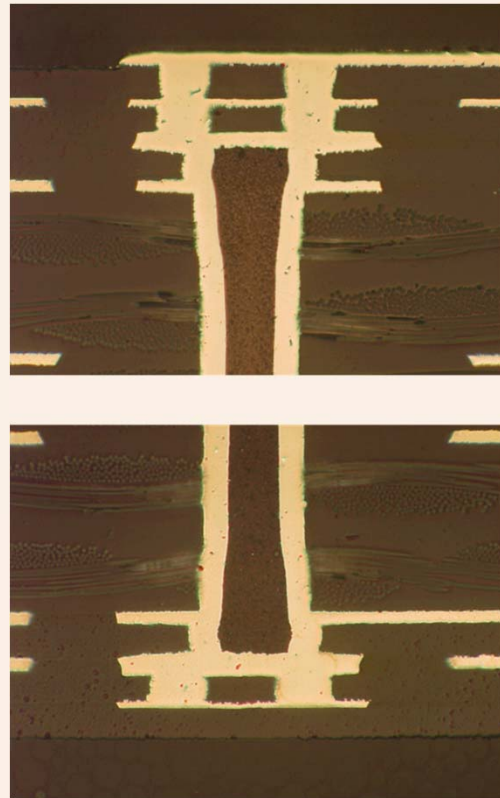
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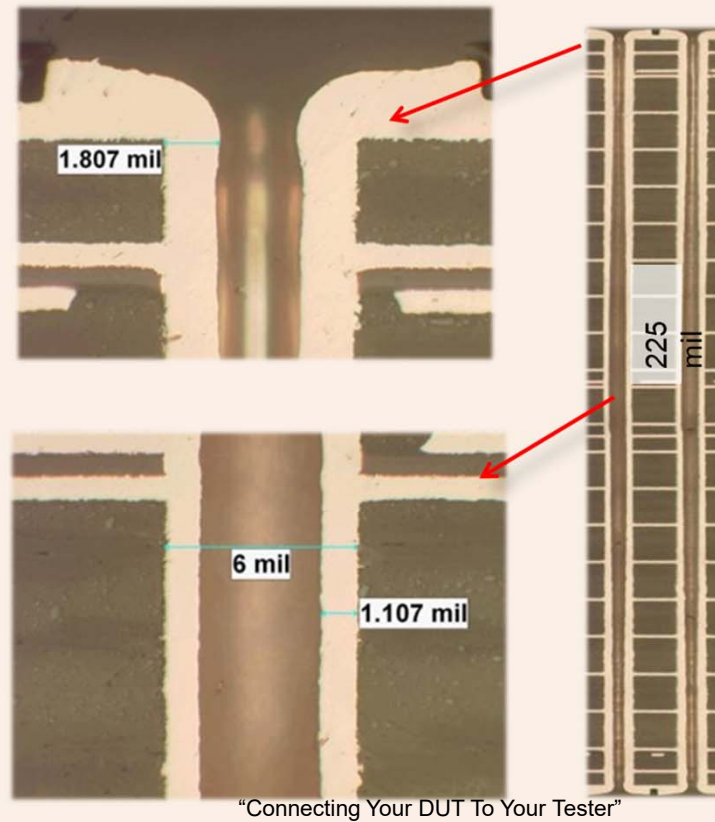
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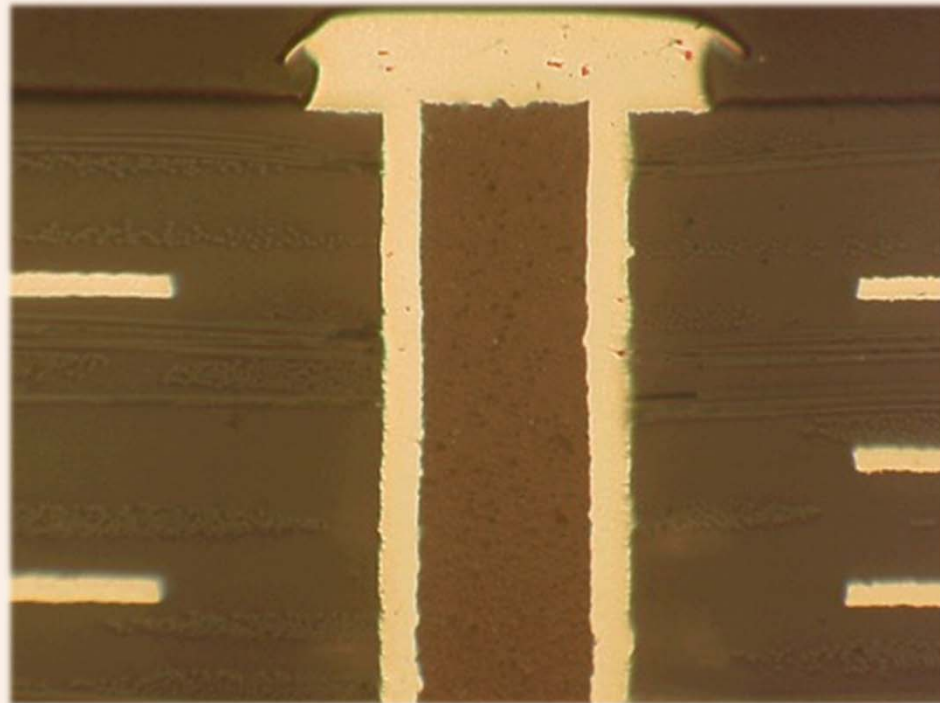


### It's all about making (good) connections



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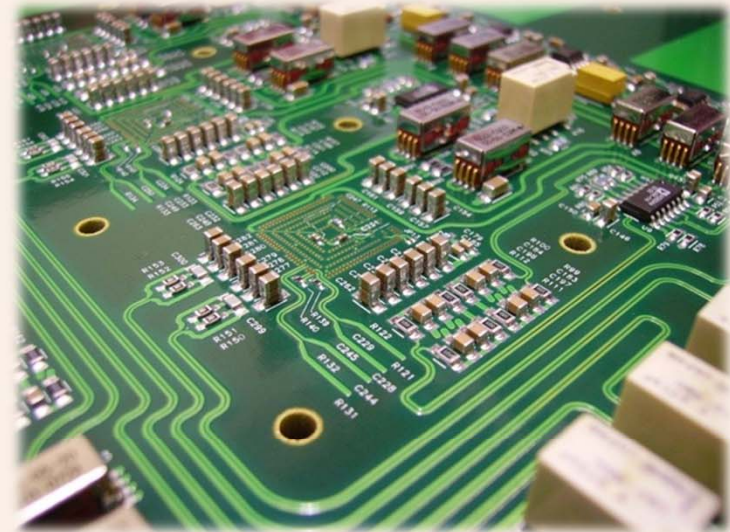


## Why Are We Here?

- What is it?
  - How PWB's relate to ATE
    - Printed Wiring Boards – Automated Test Environment
  - Some Attributes
- Materials
- Let's take a break!
- Process flow and “How's it made?”
  - Including some videos of major processes
  - Hands-on display

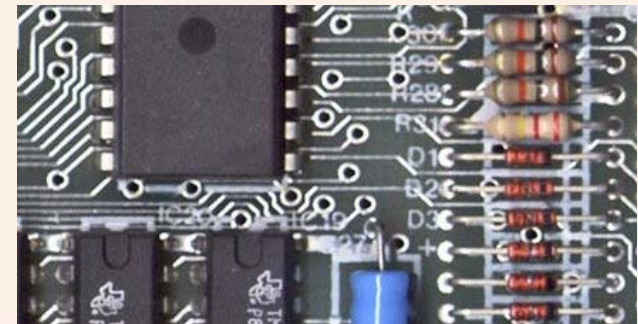
### What's in a Name?

- PWB's
- PCB's
  - Printed Circuits Board
- DUT board, DIB, PIB, load board, or ATE board
  - Device Interface Board, Probe Interface Board
- Interface Board
  - Between Device Under Test and the Tester



### What Is It?

- Wikipedia
  - A printed wiring board (PWB) **mechanically** supports and **electrically** connects electronic components using conductive tracks, pads and other features etched from copper sheets laminated onto a non-conductive substrate. PWBs can be **single sided** (one copper layer), **double sided** (two copper layers) or **multi-layer** (outer and inner layers). Multi-layer PWBs allow for much higher component density. Conductors on different layers are connected with plated-through holes called vias. Advanced PWBs may contain components - capacitors, resistors or active devices - embedded in the substrate..



1980's PWB technology

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## What Is It?

- Simultaneously, a PWB is:
  - Mechanical Device
  - Electrical Device
  - Thermal Device

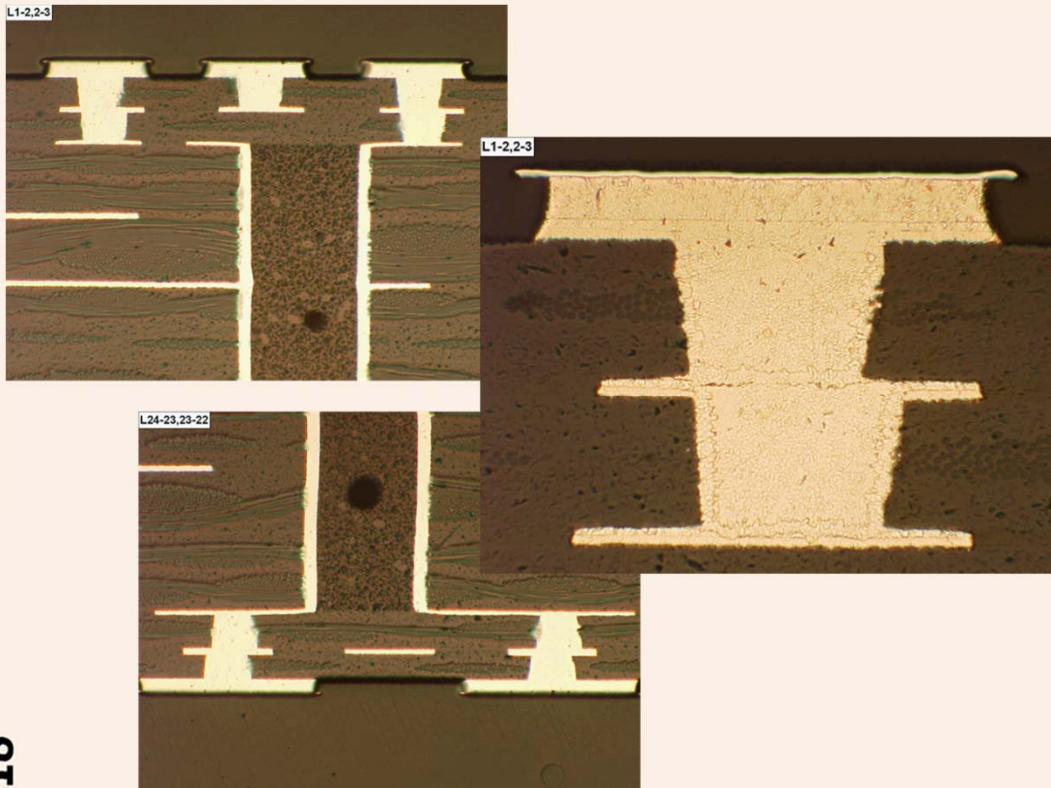
## PWB Classifications

- There are two basic ways to form circuits on a PWB
- *Additive*
  - Formation is accomplished by adding copper to a bare PWB in the pattern and places desired
- *Subtractive*
  - The unwanted portion of the copper foil on the base substrate is etched away, leaving the desired pattern
- Our discussion today will focus on processes related to the latter method

## PWB Classifications

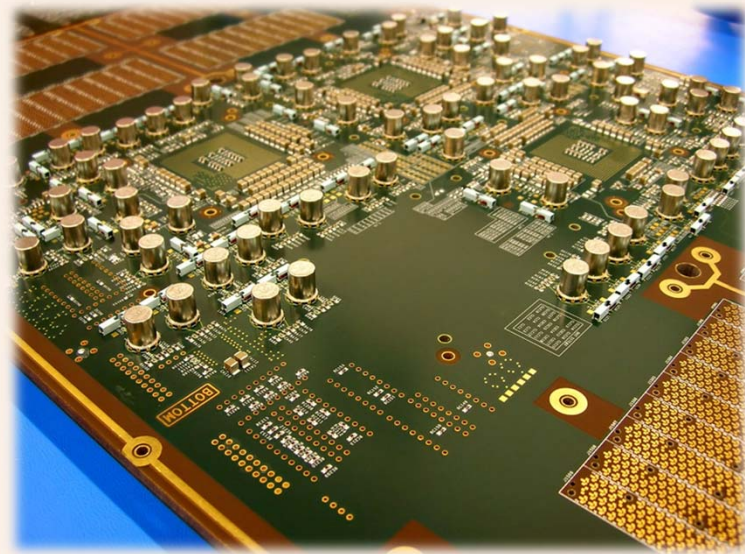
- Single-sided
  - Circuitry on one side only, components installed on back side
- Double-sided
  - Circuitry on both sides, plated thru holes, components on one or both sides
- Multilayer
  - To increase area for routing, multiple layers may be inside
    - Through holes, buried via's or blind via's may be employed to further increase circuit layout density

### It's all about making connections



## The Marketplace

- Worldwide Market – 2007
  - \$50B
- Worldwide Market – 2016
  - \$62B
- North American Market – 2016
  - ~\$3.2B
- ATE
  - \$0.5B to \$1.0B
    - Difficult to estimate



Today's Modern Load Board

### Measuring Units Used in PWB Industry

| Units      | Micro Inches | Microns | Mils  | MM       | Inches   | Angstroms   |
|------------|--------------|---------|-------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Micro Inch | 1            | 0.025   | 0.001 | 0.000025 | 0.000001 | 250         |
| Micron     | 40           | 1       | 0.04  | 0.001    | 0.00004  | 10,000      |
| Mil        | 1000         | 25      | 1     | .025     | 0.001    | 250,000     |
| MM         | 40,000       | 1,000   | 40    | 1        | 0.04     | 100,000,000 |
|            |              |         |       |          |          |             |

## Attributes of A PWB

| Attribute                | Type             |           |          |         | ATE     |
|--------------------------|------------------|-----------|----------|---------|---------|
| Layer Count              |                  | 2-40      | 40 to 60 | 60+     | 68+     |
| Board Thickness          |                  | 3.2mm     | 5.1mm    | 6.35mm  | 7.6mm+  |
| Aspect Ratio             | Plated Thru Hole | 12:1      | 15:1     | 20:1    | 30+:1   |
|                          | Blind Via        | 2:1       | 1:1      | 0.75:1  | n/a     |
| Line & Space             | Inner Layer      | 100μ/100μ | 75μ/75μ  | 50μ/50μ | 50μ/50μ |
|                          | Outer Layer      | 125μ/125μ | 75μ/75μ  | 50μ/75μ | 50μ/50μ |
| Minimum Drill            |                  | 200μ      | 150μ     | <150μ?  | 100μ    |
| Solder Mask Registration |                  | 100μ      | 75μ      | 50μ     | <50μ    |

## Attributes of A PWB (in inches)

| Attribute                | Type             |             |             |             | ATE         |
|--------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Layer Count              |                  | 2-40        | 40 to 60    | 60+         | 68+         |
| Board Thickness          |                  | 0.126       | 0.200       | 0.250       | 0.300+      |
| Aspect Ratio             | Plated Thru Hole | 12:1        | 15:1        | 20:1        | 30+:1       |
|                          | Blind Via        | 2:1         | 1:1         | 0.75:1      | n/a         |
| Line & Space             | Inner Layer      | 0.004/0.004 | 0.003/0.003 | 0.002/0.002 | 0.002/0.002 |
|                          | Outer Layer      | 0.005/0.005 | 0.003/0.003 | 0.002/0.003 | 0.002/0.002 |
| Minimum Drill            |                  | 0.008       | 0.006       | <0.006      | 0.004       |
| Solder Mask Registration |                  | 0.004       | 0.003       | 0.002       | <0.002      |

### Attributes of a Device

- Pitch
  - Device, trace, space, hole to copper
- Layers
  - Rows on a BGA device
- Hole Diameter
  - Function of device pitch
- Aspect Ratio
  - Ratio of thickness to hole diameter (think soda straw)



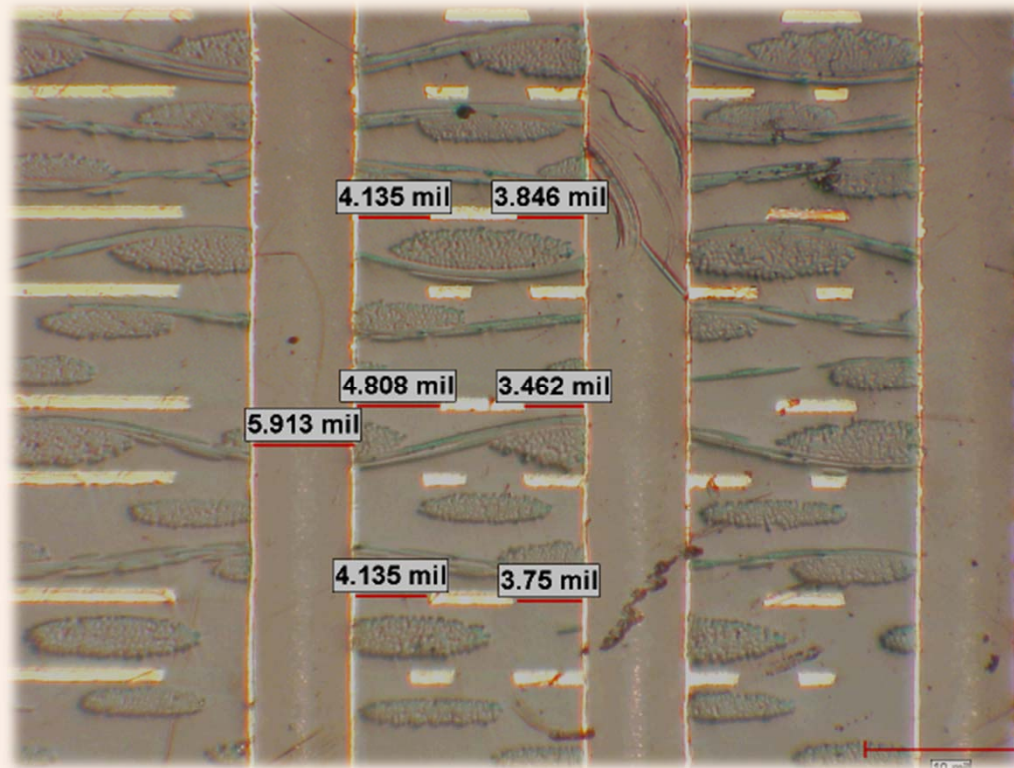
## Attributes – By Device Pitch

- 1.0mm, 0.8mm, 0.5mm, 0.4mm ....
- Translates to other attributes
  - Line width
  - Spacing
  - Dielectric spacing
  - Hole to copper feature dimensions

### Attributes by Device Pitch

|               | 1.0mm (0.0394)     | 0.8mm (0.0315)             | 0.5mm (0.0197)            | 0.4mm (0.0157)            |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Pad           | 0.76mm<br>(0.0299) | 0.66mm<br>(0.026)          | 0.35mm<br>(0.0138)        | 0.3mm<br>(0.0118)         |
| Hole          | 0.37mm<br>(0.0146) | 0.3mm<br>(0.0118)          | 0.15mm<br>(0.0059)        | 0.1mm<br>(0.0039)         |
| Line          | 200μ<br>(0.008)    | 200μ/125μ<br>(0.008/0.005) | 200μ/75μ<br>(0.008/0.003) | 200μ/50μ<br>(0.008/0.002) |
| Hole 2 Copper | 0.25mm<br>(0.010)  | 0.18mm<br>(0.007)          | 0.12mm<br>(0.005)         | 0.1mm<br>(0.004)          |
| Aspect Ratio  | Low                | Medium                     | High                      | Extreme                   |

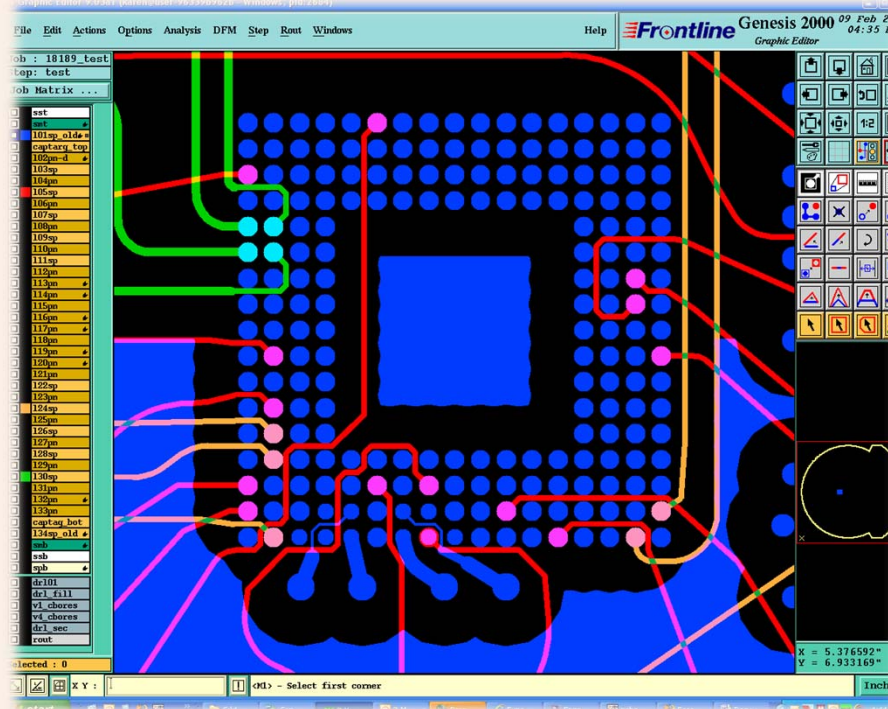
## Hole to Copper Dimensions



## Attributes - Layers

- Each row of a BGA device = one signal layer
- Signal layers need corresponding ground planes
  - Impedance control
- May need additional routing layers

### Rows = Layers



## Attributes – Hole Diameter

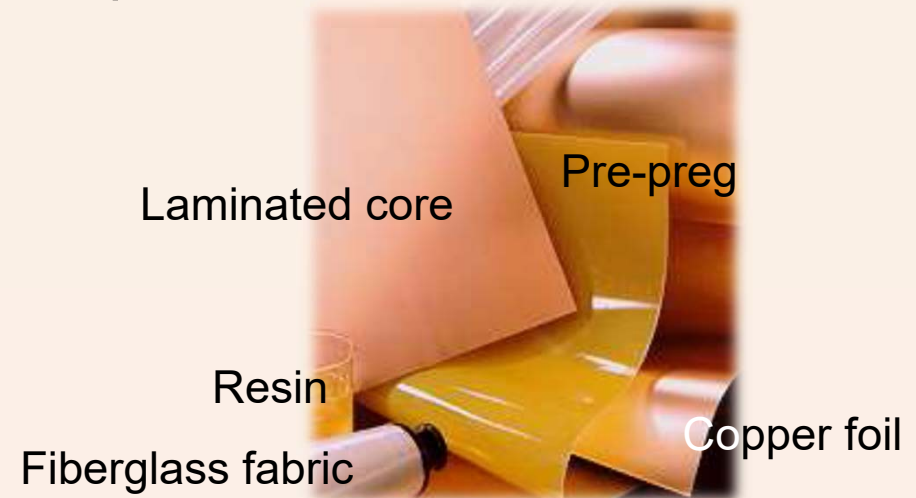
- Drilled or finished hole diameter
- Human Hair
  - 40 $\mu$  to 250 $\mu$  (0.0015" to 0.010")
  - 100 $\mu$  is pretty average (0.004")
- Today's interface boards are drilled with a 100 $\mu$  to 150 $\mu$  drill bit (0.004" to 0.006")
  - And smaller

## Attributes – Aspect Ratio

- Ratio of the board thickness relative to drilled hole diameter
- 1.0mm device, 13:1
- 0.8mm device, 16:1
- 0.5mm device, 31:1
- 0.4mm device, 38:1
- 0.35mm device, >40:1

### Let's Talk About Materials

- Wikipedia...A printed circuit board, or PCB, is used to mechanically support and electrically connect electronic components using conductive pathways, on a non-conductive **substrate**.



### Materials & More

Material properties are playing an increasingly important role in advanced board designs as speed, power dissipation, signal fidelity and process temperatures increase

Factors that influence material selection

Electrical Design:  
Dielectric constant  
Loss tangent

Reliability:  
Assembly process  
Long-term life

Thermal/Mechanical:  
X, Y, Z CTE  
Conductive cooling

### Laminates

- Pre-preg
  - Fiberglass cloth (woven)
  - Resin
- Copper foil
  - Electrodeposited (ED)



## Why Copper?

- Copper is an excellent electrical conductor
- Low electrical resistivity
- Inexpensive metal
- Soft and easily workable
- Easily processed
- Patternable by photolithography
  - Using relatively benign chemistry

## Copper Foil

- Copper is the dominant metal for interconnection use
- Specified by weight
  - ½ ounce per square foot
  - 1 ounce per square foot
- Corresponding thicknesses
  - 17u and 35u respectively
- Usually produced by electrolytic deposition on a mandril
  - 99.8% purity common
  - Thickness tolerance is approx. 10%

### Materials – ‘Pre-Preg’



Glass Style 106  
Plain Weave  
Count 56x56  
Thickness: 40μ



Glass Style 1080  
Plain Weave  
Count 60x47  
Thickness: 64μ

### Materials – ‘Pre-Preg’



Glass Style 2113  
Plain Weave  
Count 60x56  
Thickness: 75μ



Glass Style 2116  
Plain Weave  
Count 60x58  
Thickness: 100μ

### Materials – ‘Pre-Preg’



Glass Style 1652  
Plain Weave  
Count 52x52  
Thickness: 100μ

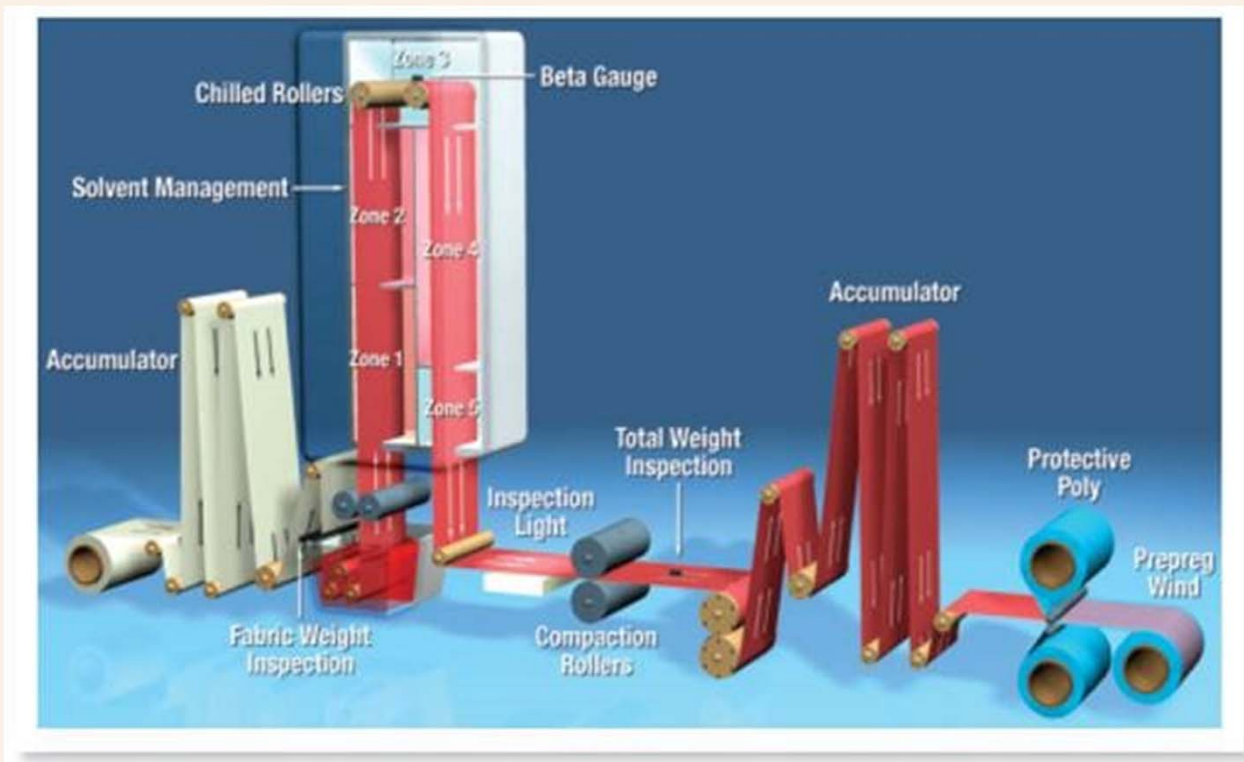


Glass Style 7628  
Plain Weave  
Count 44x32  
Thickness: 170μ

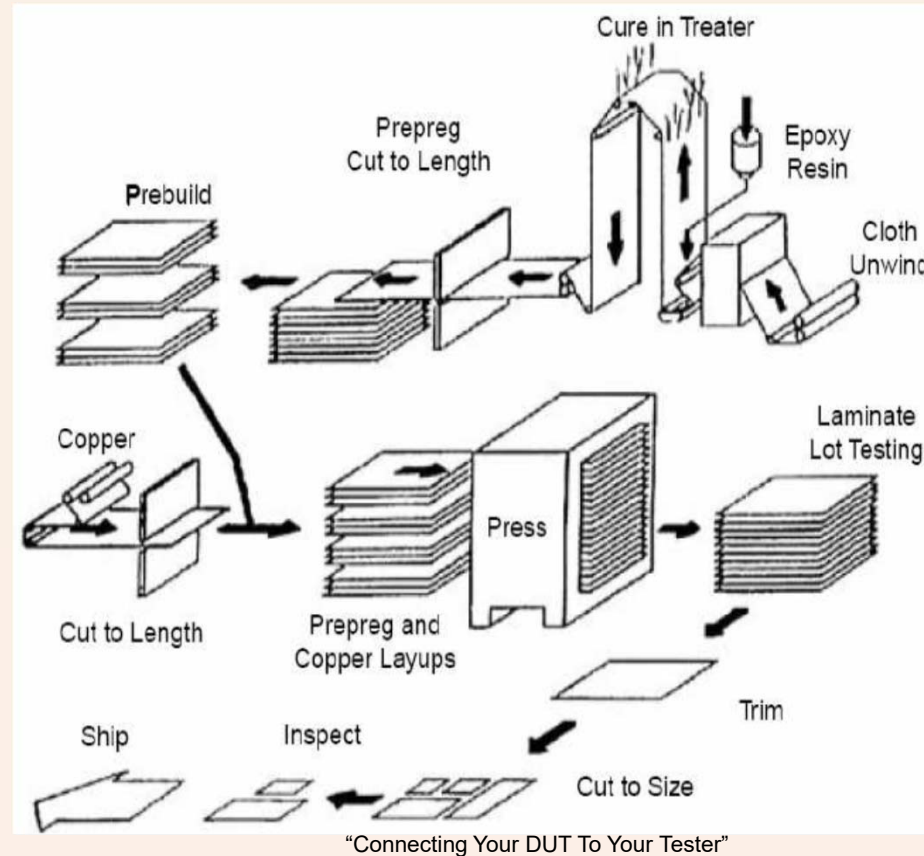
## Laminate

- Enhanced FR-4's
- Modified Epoxies
- Teflon
- BT
- Polyimide
- Hybrid
- Too many to do justice to each supplier

### Pre-Preg - how it's made



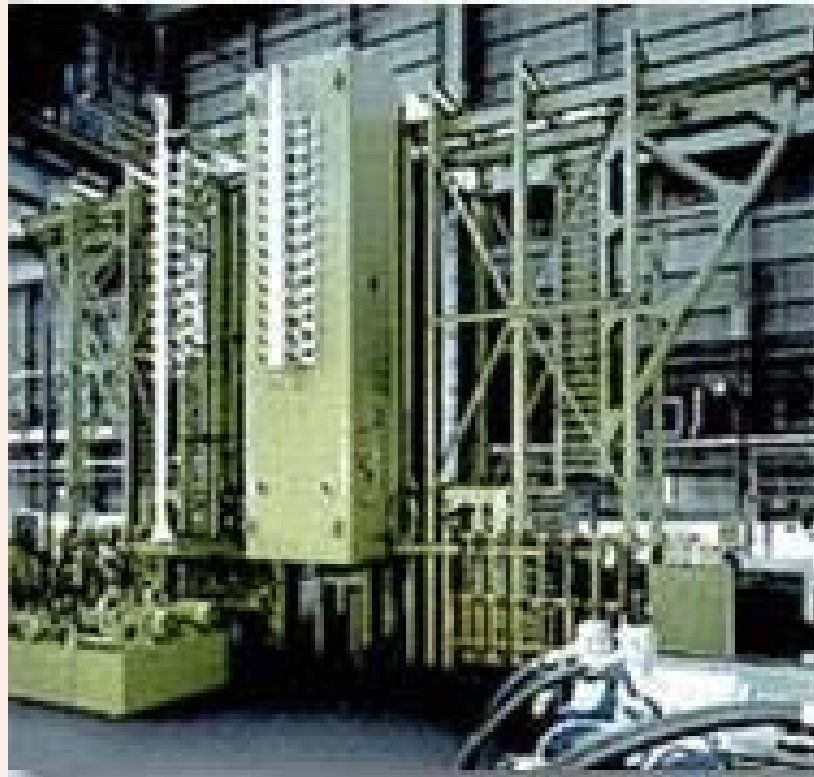
### Laminate Process Flow



### Laminate – How It's Made



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## Laminate Construction (caveat emptor)

| Thickness | Tolerance | Construction       | Resin Content | E <sub>r</sub> @ 1 MHz | E <sub>r</sub> @ 10 GHz |
|-----------|-----------|--------------------|---------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 0.008     | 0.001     | 1x 7628            | 44.4%         | 4.55                   | 4.12                    |
| 0.008     | 0.001     | 2x 2116            | 43.0%         | 4.54                   | 4.11                    |
| 0.008     | 0.001     | 1x 2116<br>1x 2113 | 48.6%         | 4.36                   | 4.02                    |
| 0.008     | 0.001     | 1x 7629            | 42.6%         | 4.38                   | 4.12                    |

## Laminate Construction

- Know what you're getting
- Understand the implications
- Electrically significant or not
- Mechanically significant!

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Revision Date: March 2006

**SPECIFICATION SHEET**  
 SPECIFICATION SHEET #: IPC-4101/129  
 REINFORCEMENT: 1: Woven E-glass 2: N/A  
 Resin System: Primary: Epoxy Secondary 1: Multifunctional epoxy Secondary 2: Modified Epoxy or Non-epoxy (max. wt. 5%)  
 FLAME RETARDANT MECHANISM: Bionline, RoHS Compliant Minimum UL94 Requirement: V-0  
 FILLERS (<5%): N/A  
 ID REFERENCE: UL/ANSI: FR-4/129  
 GLASS TRANSITION (T<sub>g</sub>): 170°C minimum  
 UL MAX. OPERATING TEMP: 130°C

Keywords: (For Search Only)  
 NOT Grade Requirement  
 See Section 7  
 Lead-Free FR-4  
 Low Z-axis CTE  
 High Decomposition Temperature  
 CAF Resistant

**LAMINATE REQUIREMENTS**

| Laminate Requirement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Specification<br><0.50 mm<br>[0.0197 in]                    | Specification<br>≥0.50 mm<br>[0.0197 in]                    | Units                                      | Test Method                   | Ref. Para.                                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Peel Strength, minimum<br>A. Low profile copper foil and very low profile copper foil – all copper weights >17 µm [0.669 mil]<br>B. Standard profile copper foil<br>1. After thermal stress<br>2. At 125°C (257°F)<br>3. After process solutions<br>C. All other foil – composite | AABUS<br>0.50 [4.57]<br>0.70 [4.00]<br>0.55 [3.14]<br>AABUS | AABUS<br>1.05 [6.00]<br>0.70 [4.00]<br>0.80 [4.57]<br>AABUS | N/mm<br>[lb/in]                            | 2.4.8<br>2.4.8.2<br>2.4.8.3   | 3.9.1.1<br>3.9.1.1.1<br>3.9.1.1.2<br>3.9.1.1.3 |
| 2. Volume Resistivity, minimum<br>A. C-96/35/90<br>B. After moisture resistance<br>C. At elevated temperature E-24/125                                                                                                                                                               | 10 <sup>6</sup><br>–<br>10 <sup>3</sup>                     | –<br>10 <sup>4</sup><br>10 <sup>3</sup>                     | MΩ-cm                                      | 2.5.17.1                      | 3.11.1.3                                       |
| 3. Surface Resistivity, minimum<br>A. C-96/35/90<br>B. After moisture resistance<br>C. At elevated temperature E-24/125                                                                                                                                                              | 10 <sup>4</sup><br>–<br>10 <sup>3</sup>                     | –<br>10 <sup>4</sup><br>10 <sup>3</sup>                     | MΩ                                         | 2.5.17.1                      | 3.11.1.4                                       |
| 4. Moisture Absorption, maximum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | –                                                           | 0.5                                                         | %                                          | 2.6.2.1                       | 3.12.1.1                                       |
| 5. Dielectric Breakdown, minimum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | –                                                           | 40                                                          | kV                                         | 2.5.6                         | 3.11.1.6                                       |
| 6. Permittivity at 1 MHz, maximum (Laminate & prepreg as laminated)*<br>1 MHz<br>1 GHz<br>10 GHz                                                                                                                                                                                     | 5.4<br>5.2<br>AABUS                                         | 5.4<br>5.2<br>AABUS                                         | –                                          | 2.5.5.2<br>2.5.5.3<br>2.5.5.9 | 3.11.1.1<br>3.11.2.1                           |
| 7. Loss Tangent at 1 MHz, maximum (Laminate & prepreg as laminated)*<br>1 MHz<br>1 GHz<br>10 GHz                                                                                                                                                                                     | 0.035                                                       | 0.035                                                       | –                                          | 2.5.5.2<br>2.5.5.3<br>2.5.5.9 | 3.11.1.2<br>3.11.2.2                           |
| 8. Flexural Strength, minimum<br>A. Length direction<br>B. Cross direction                                                                                                                                                                                                           | –<br>–                                                      | 415 [50,190]<br>345 [50,040]                                | N/mm <sup>2</sup><br>[lb/in <sup>2</sup> ] | 2.4.4                         | 3.9.1.3                                        |
| 9. Flexural Strength at Elevated Temperature, length direction, minimum                                                                                                                                                                                                              | –                                                           | –                                                           | N/mm <sup>2</sup><br>[lb/in <sup>2</sup> ] | 2.4.4.1                       | 3.9.1.4                                        |
| 10. Arc Resistance, minimum                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 60                                                          | 60                                                          | s                                          | 2.5.1                         | 3.11.1.5                                       |
| 11. Thermal Stress 10 s at 288°C [550.4°F], minimum<br>A. Unetched<br>B. Etched                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Pass Visual<br>Pass Visual                                  | Pass Visual<br>Pass Visual                                  | rating                                     | 2.4.13.1                      | 3.10.1.2                                       |
| 12. Electric Strength, minimum (Laminate & prepreg as laminated)                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 30                                                          | –                                                           | kV/mm                                      | 2.5.6.2                       | 3.11.1.7<br>3.11.2.3                           |
| 13. Flammability (Laminate & prepreg as laminated)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | V-0 minimum                                                 | V-0 minimum                                                 | rating                                     | UL94                          | 3.10.2.1<br>3.10.1.1                           |
| 14. Glass Transition Temperature                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | –                                                           | 170 minimum                                                 | °C                                         | 2.4.24<br>2.4.25              | 3.10.1.6                                       |
| 15. Decomposition Temperature                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | –                                                           | 340 minimum                                                 | °C                                         | ASTM D3850<br>(5% wt loss)    | 3.10.1.10                                      |

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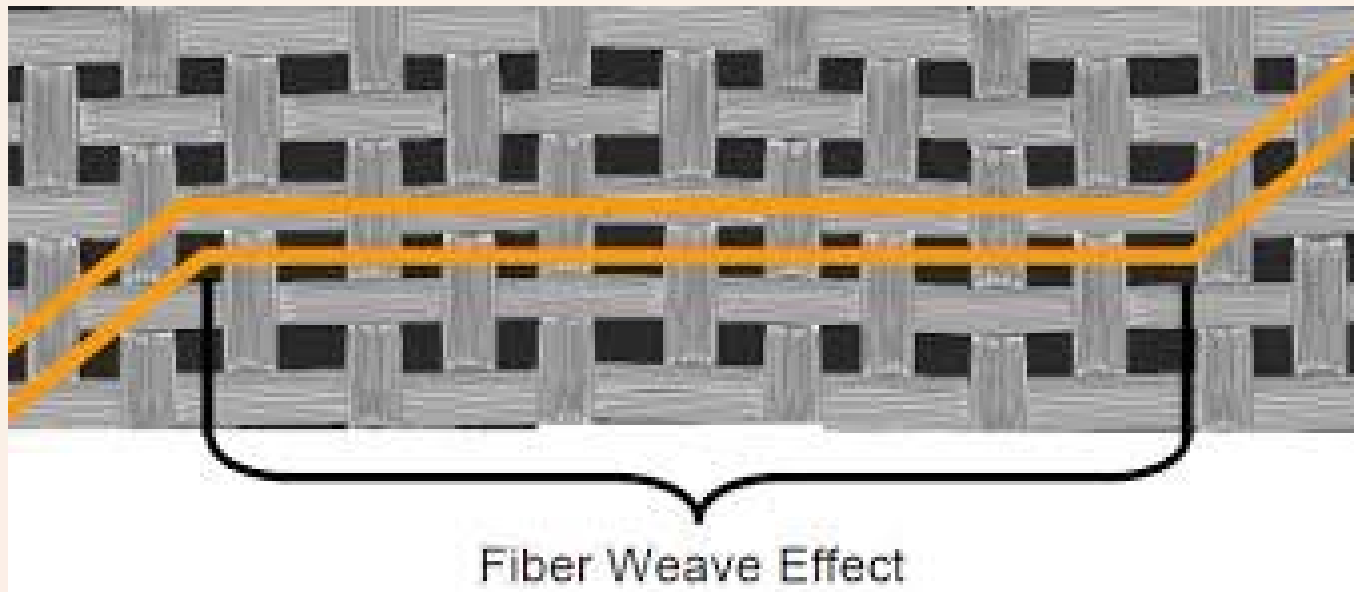
## Material Properties

- Mechanical and Thermal
  - Peel strength
  - X-Y CTE
  - Z CTE
- T<sub>g</sub>
  - DSC
  - TMA
  - DMA

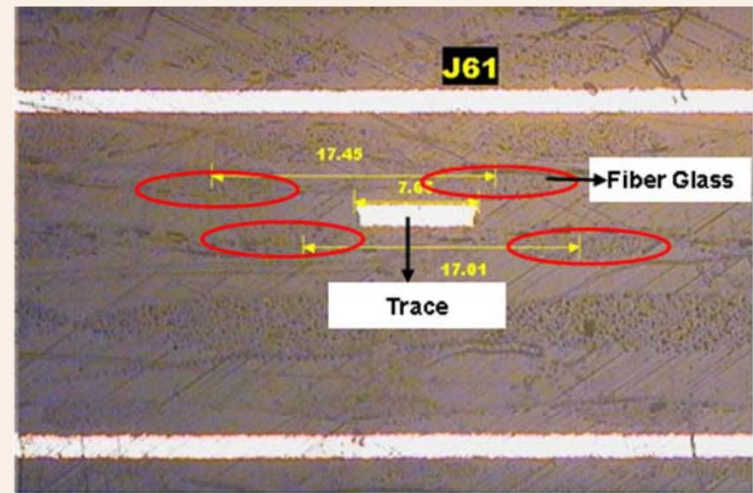
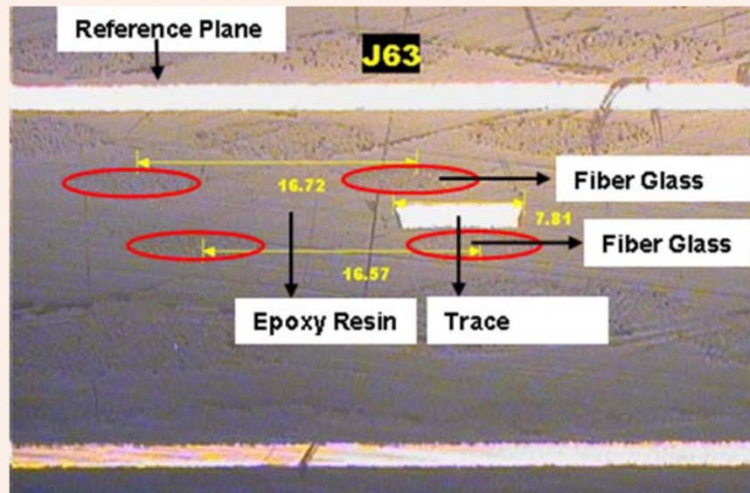
## Material Properties

- Electrical
  - Dielectric Constant or
- $\epsilon_r$  Epsilon-sub-r (or relative permittivity)
  - The dielectric constant is a ratio of the capacitance of a capacitor in which a particular insulating material is the dielectric, to the capacitance of the capacitor in which a vacuum is the dielectric.
  - Also known as E-sub-r
- Effective Permittivity

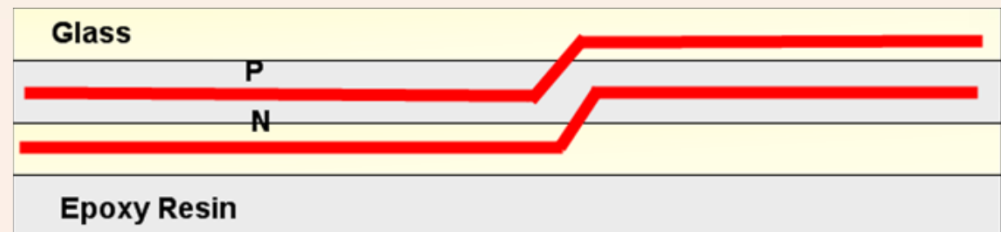
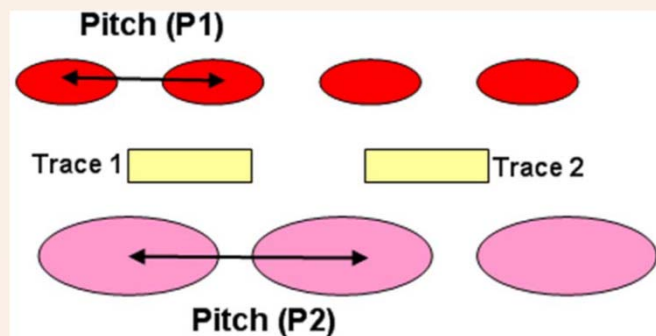
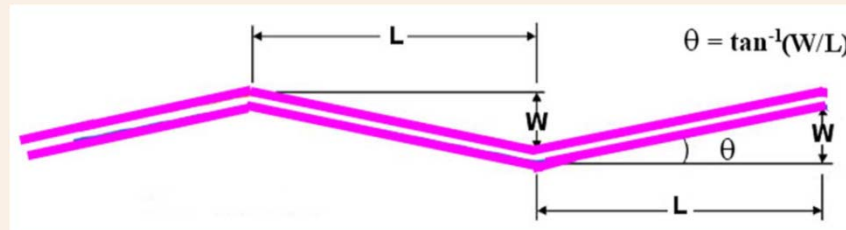
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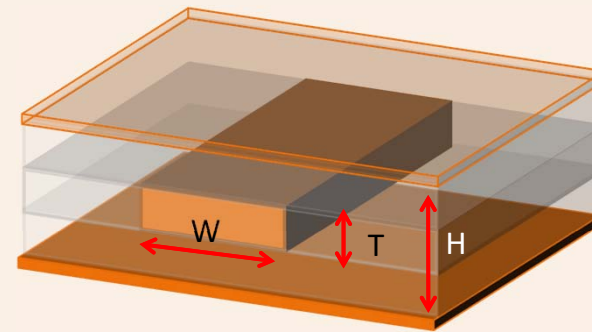


## Combating Weave Effect



### Material Properties – Trace Variabilities

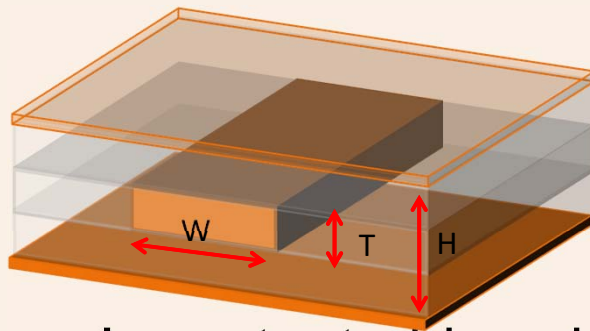
- Dry film etch tolerance is  $\pm 12\mu$ ; therefore as  $W$  decreases  $Z_0$  error increases.
- As  $H$  decreases, tolerance changes from  $\pm 10\%$  to  $\sim \pm 15\mu$ .  $H$  also varies within a sheet  $\pm 10\mu$ .
- $T$  does not vary significantly, but a 'tall'  $T$  results in higher resin flow around the trace and makes the final thickness  $H$  somewhat less predictable.
- A 'tall'  $T$  is also prone to under etch, which influences  $Z_0$ .



- Fiberglass reinforced materials are not homogenous, and  $\epsilon_r$  is *not* constant in the material.

\* $Z_0$  or  $Z_{naught}$  = impedance

## Material Properties – Trace Variabilities



- Important: driven by etch variation and by heterogeneous materials Z0 varies as a function of distance.

100um example in 1/2 Oz copper:

### Trace Etch Width

|  | min           | nominal       | max           |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|  | 88 um         | 100 um        | 112 um        |
|  | 53.2 $\Omega$ | 50.1 $\Omega$ | 47.4 $\Omega$ |

### Height

|  | min           | nominal       | max           |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|  | 201 um        | 223 um        | 245 um        |
|  | 47.0 $\Omega$ | 50.1 $\Omega$ | 53.0 $\Omega$ |

### Combined Error

|  | min           | nominal       | max           |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|  | 44.3 $\Omega$ | 50.1 $\Omega$ | 56.1 $\Omega$ |

## Materials Chart

|                     | Mwave<br>1000 | Mwave<br>2000 | Mwave<br>3000 | Mwave<br>4000 | Meg 6  | Rogers<br>4350 | N4000<br>-13 | N4000<br>-13SI | N4800<br>-20 | N4800<br>-20SI | Astra<br>MT7 | Tachyon<br>100 |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| <b>Mech</b>         |               |               |               |               |        |                |              |                |              |                |              |                |
| Peel<br>strength    |               |               |               |               |        |                |              |                |              |                |              |                |
| After float         | 6.6           | 6.6           | 5.5           | 5.5           | .8kN/m | 5              | 7.5          | 7.5            | 7            | 7              | 5.7          |                |
| At elev.<br>temp    | 5.6           | 5.6           | 4.4           | 4.4           | n.a.   | n.a.           | 8.1          | 8.1            | 6.5          | 6.5            | n.a.         | 5.5            |
| After<br>exp./proc  | 5.3           | 5.3           | 5             | 5             | n.a.   | n.a.           | 9            | 9              | 7            | 7              | n.a.         | 5.5            |
| X-Y CTE             | 10-14         | 10-14         | 10-14         | 10-14         | 14-16  | 10-12          | 10-14        | 10-14          | 10-14        | 10-14          | 12           | 15             |
| Z CTE<br>$\alpha_1$ | 55            | 55            | 55            | 55            | 45     | 32             | 70           | 70             | 27           | 31             | 60           | 45             |
| Z CTE<br>$\alpha_2$ | 260           | 260           | 260           | 260           | 260    | n.a.           | 280          | 280            | 205          | 210            | 300          | 250            |

$\alpha_1$ , 50C to Tg;  $\alpha_2$ , Tg to 260C

### Materials Chart

|                         | Mwave<br>1000 | Mwave<br>2000 | Mwave<br>3000 | Mwave<br>4000 | Meg 6 | Rogers<br>4350 | N4000<br>-13 | N4000<br>-13SI | N4800<br>-20 | N4800<br>-20SI | Astra<br>MT7 | Tachyon<br>100 |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| <b>Electrical</b>       |               |               |               |               |       |                |              |                |              |                |              |                |
| DK                      |               |               |               |               |       |                |              |                |              |                |              |                |
| 2 Ghz                   | 3.7           | 3.4           | 3.8           | 3.5           | 3.71  | n.a.           | 3.7          | 3.2            | 3.7          | 3.55           | 3            | 3.04           |
| 10 Ghz                  | 3.7           | 3.4           | 3.8           | 3.5           | 3.61  | 3.48           | 3.7          | 3.3            | 3.8          | 3.4            | 3            | 3.02           |
| Df                      |               |               |               |               |       |                |              |                |              |                |              |                |
| 2 Ghz                   | 0.004         | 0.003         | 0.0032        | 0.002         | 0.002 | 0.0031         | 0.009        | 0.008          | 0.007        | 0.0055         | 0.0017       | 0.0021         |
| 10 Ghz                  | 0.0055        | 0.004         | 0.0048        | 0.0028        | 0.004 | 0.0037         | 0.008        | 0.007          | 0.0075       | 0.006          | 0.0017       | 0.0021         |
| <b>Thermal<br/>(Tg)</b> |               |               |               |               |       |                |              |                |              |                |              |                |
| TMA                     | 215           | 215           | 170           | 170           | n.a.  | 280            | 200          | 200            | 180          | 180            | n.a.         | 180            |
| DMA                     | 240           | 240           | 200           | 200           | 210   | n.a.           | 240          | 240            | 210          | 210            | n.a.         | 220            |
| DSC                     | n.a.          | n.a.          | n.a.          | n.a.          | 185   | n.a.           | 210          | 210            | 200          | 200            | 200          | 185            |

DSC, Differential Scanning Calorimetry; TMA, Thermomechanical Analysis; DMA, Dynamic Mechanical Analysis.

### Before We Continue to The Process

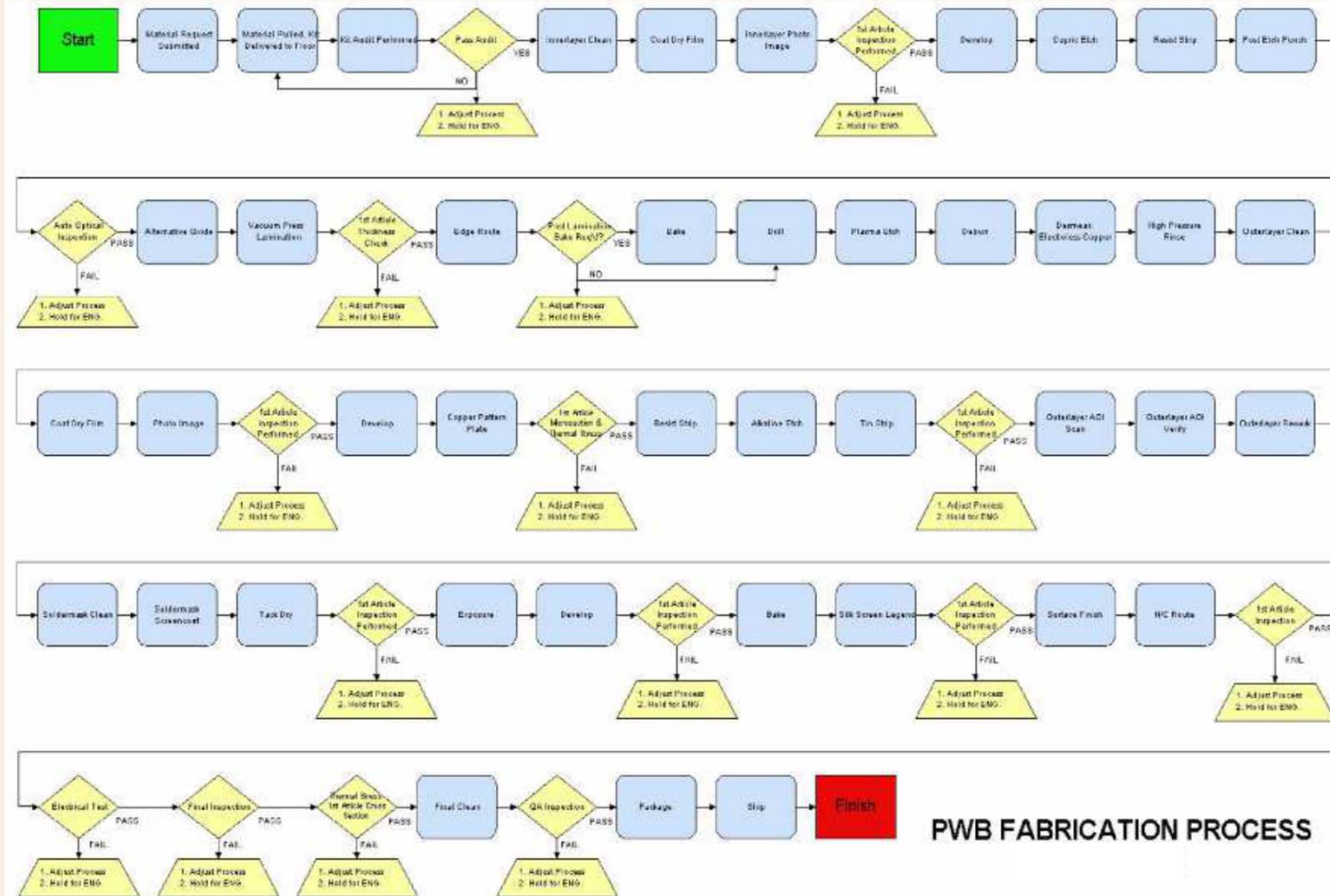


**It's Time For A Break**



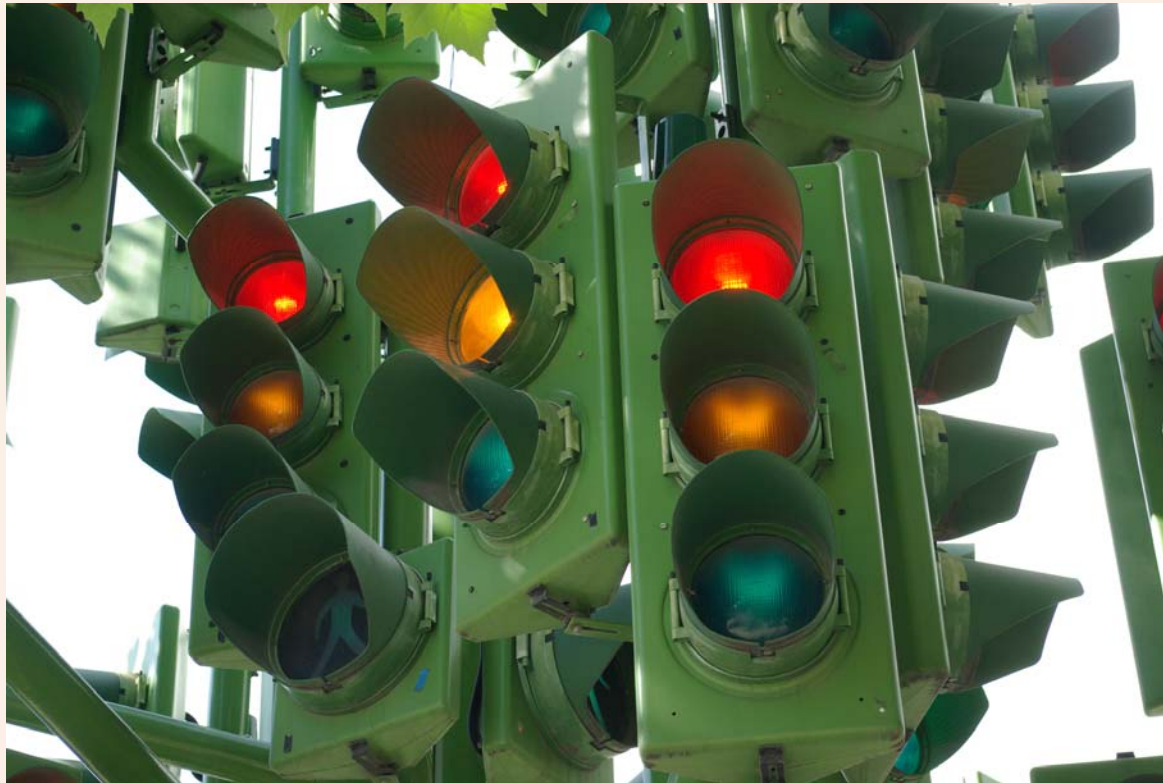
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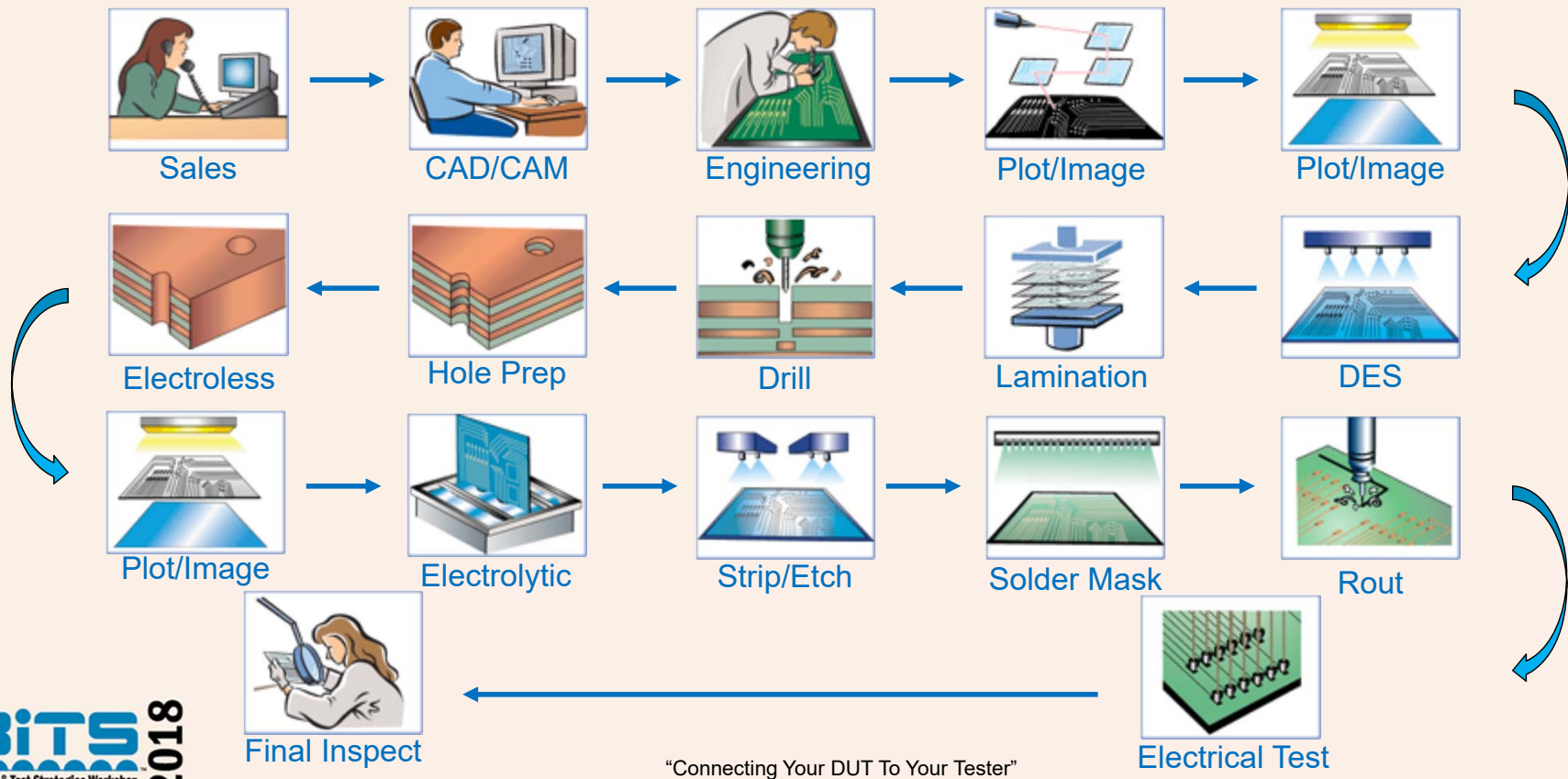
## Confused?



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## Not to Worry, a Simpler Way



| Layer                     | Thickness (Inch) | Stackup Picture       | Family   | Description   | Type          |
|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------|---------------|---------------|
| SM-1                      | 0.0005           |                       | SM       | Spray LPI     | 3.20 / 0.0000 |
| L-1, TOP                  | 0.0018           |                       | Cu - Std | 1/4 + Std Plt | SIGNAL - Foil |
|                           | 0.0058           |                       | HTFR4    | 1080          | 3.57 / 0.0000 |
|                           |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 1080          |               |
| L-2, GND                  | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0025           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.0025        | 3.55 / 0.0000 |
| L-3, PWR1                 | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0049           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000 |
| L-4, PWR2                 | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0025           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.0025        | 3.55 / 0.0000 |
| L-5, GND                  | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0099           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000 |
|                           |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |               |
| L-6, SIG1                 | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL        |
|                           | 0.0080           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.008         | 3.82 / 0.0000 |
| L-7, GND                  | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0099           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000 |
|                           |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |               |
| L-8, SIG2                 | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL        |
|                           | 0.0080           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.008         | 3.82 / 0.0000 |
| L-9, GND                  | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0099           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000 |
|                           |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |               |
| L-10, SIG3                | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL        |
|                           | 0.0080           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.008         | 3.82 / 0.0000 |
| L-11, GND                 | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0099           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000 |
|                           |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |               |
| L-12, SIG4                | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL        |
|                           | 0.0080           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.008         | 3.82 / 0.0000 |
| L-13, GND                 | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0099           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000 |
|                           |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |               |
| L-14, SIG5                | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL        |
|                           | 0.0080           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.008         | 3.82 / 0.0000 |
| L-15, GND                 | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0099           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000 |
|                           |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |               |
| L-16, SIG6                | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL        |
|                           | 0.0080           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.008         | 3.82 / 0.0000 |
| L-17, GND                 | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0049           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000 |
| L-18, PWR3                | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0025           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.0025        | 3.55 / 0.0000 |
| L-19, GND                 | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND  |
|                           | 0.0058           |                       | HTFR4    | 1080          | 3.57 / 0.0000 |
|                           |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 1080          |               |
| L-20, BOT                 | 0.0018           |                       | Cu - Std | 1/4 + Std Plt | SIGNAL - Foil |
| SM-2                      | 0.0005           |                       | SM       | Spray LPI     | 3.20 / 0.0000 |
|                           | 0.1517           | Total Calc. Thickness |          |               |               |
|                           | 0.1520           | Incl.Plating          | +0.0152  | -0.0152       |               |
|                           |                  | After Lamination      |          | -             |               |
| Drill/Rout Files: A: DR-1 |                  |                       |          |               |               |

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### The Process – Inner Layer Imaging

- Photo resist application
- UV Exposure
  - Laser Direct Imaging (LDI)
  - Collimated light & film
    - Polymerizes resist
- Develop
  - Removes non-polymerized resist



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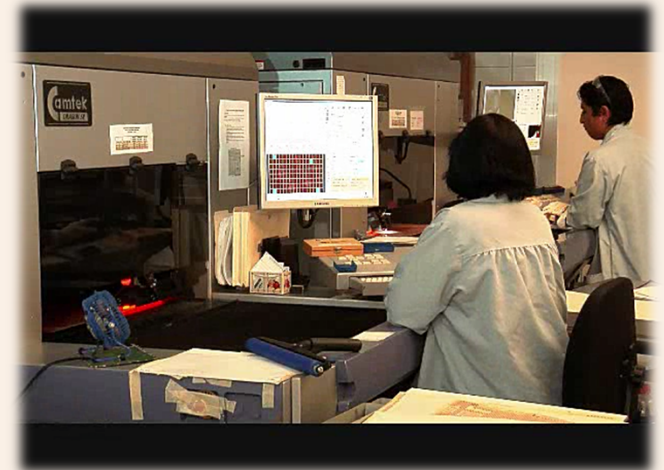


## The Process – Inner Layer Imaging

- Etch & Strip
- Removal of base copper
  - Non-polymerized area
- Various chemistries available
  - Ammonia based
  - Cupric chloride based
- Resist removal

### The Process – Automatic Optical Inspection

- **Post-Etch Punch**
  - Registers all layers to common optical targets
  - Slots added for tooling purposes
- **AOI**
  - Data downloaded from CAM
  - Core layer scanned
  - Compared to CAM data
  - Verification



## The Process – Oxide Treatment

- Copper Surface Preparation
  - Adhesion promotion
    - Added bonding strength
  - Reduced oxide
    - Pink ring elimination
  - Alternative oxide
    - Variety of materials
    - Multiple or sequential laminations

## The Process – Layup & Lamination

- Registration and stacking of cores
  - Process combines cores, pre-preg and copper foil
    - Multiple times thru this process may be required
      - Simple thru-hole vs. sequential lamination
- Pin lamination
  - Registration or layer to layer alignment
- Vacuum chamber
- Heat, pressure, time
- Tightly controlled process window

| Layer                                        | Thickness (Inch) | Stackup Picture       | Family   | Description   | Type<br>DK / DF |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------|---------------|-----------------|
| SM-1                                         | 0.0005           |                       | SM       | Spray LPI     | 3.20 / 0.0000   |
| L-1, TOP                                     | 0.0018           |                       | Cu - Std | 1/4 + Std Plt | SIGNAL - Foil   |
|                                              | 0.0058           |                       | HTFR4    | 1080          | 3.57 / 0.0000   |
|                                              |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 1080          |                 |
| L-2, GND                                     | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND    |
|                                              | 0.0025           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.0025        | 3.55 / 0.0000   |
| L-3, PWR1                                    | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND    |
|                                              | 0.0049           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000   |
| L-4, PWR2                                    | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND    |
|                                              | 0.0025           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.0025        | 3.55 / 0.0000   |
| L-5, GND                                     | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND    |
|                                              | 0.0099           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000   |
|                                              |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |                 |
| L-6, SIG1                                    | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL          |
|                                              | 0.0080           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.008         | 3.82 / 0.0000   |
| L-7, GND                                     | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND    |
|                                              | 0.0099           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000   |
|                                              |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |                 |
| L-8, SIG2                                    | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL          |
|                                              | 0.0080           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.008         | 3.82 / 0.0000   |
| L-9, GND                                     | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND    |
|                                              | 0.0099           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000   |
|                                              |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |                 |
| L-10, SIG3                                   | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL          |
|                                              | 0.0080           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.008         | 3.82 / 0.0000   |
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|                                              |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |                 |
| L-12, SIG4                                   | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL          |
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| L-13, GND                                    | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND    |
|                                              | 0.0099           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000   |
|                                              |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |                 |
| L-14, SIG5                                   | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL          |
|                                              | 0.0080           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.008         | 3.82 / 0.0000   |
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|                                              |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          |                 |
| L-16, SIG6                                   | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | SIGNAL          |
|                                              | 0.0080           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.008         | 3.82 / 0.0000   |
| L-17, GND                                    | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND    |
|                                              | 0.0049           |                       | HTFR4    | 2116          | 3.73 / 0.0000   |
| L-18, PWR3                                   | 0.0006           |                       | Cu - Std | .5            | POWER_GROUND    |
|                                              | 0.0025           |                       | HTFR4    | 0.0025        | 3.55 / 0.0000   |
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|                                              | 0.0058           |                       | HTFR4    | 1080          | 3.57 / 0.0000   |
|                                              |                  |                       | HTFR4    | 1080          |                 |
| L-20, BOT                                    | 0.0018           |                       | Cu - Std | 1/4 + Std Plt | SIGNAL - Foil   |
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|                                              | 0.1517           | Total Calc. Thickness |          |               |                 |
|                                              | 0.1520           | Incl. Plating         |          |               |                 |
|                                              |                  | After Lamination      |          |               |                 |
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### The Process - Drill

- Mechanical hole formation
  - 100 $\mu$  – 150 $\mu$  typical
- Opto-mechanical positioning
  - Glass scales
- Real-time drill bit analysis
  - Diameter
  - Run-out
  - Broken bit detection
- Stub drilling or back drilling

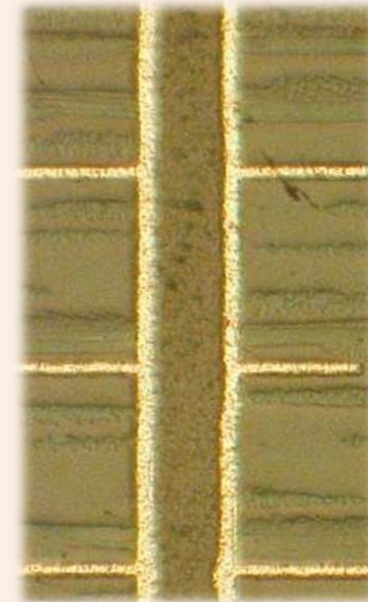


## The Process - Drill

- Laser hole formation
  - Microvias down to 25μ
- Opto-mechanical positioning
  - Blind vias
  - Buried vias

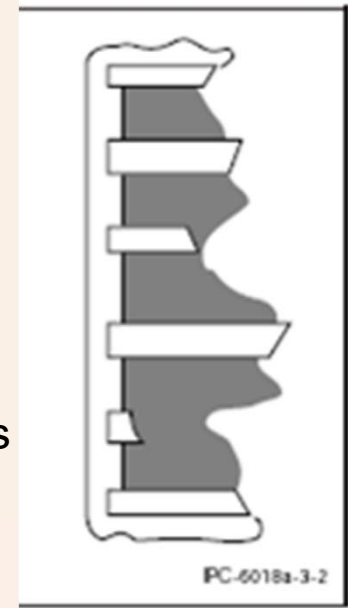
## The Process – Hole Prep & Copper Plate

- Desmear
  - Removes epoxy smear from interconnects
    - Created during drill operations
  - Chemical removal



## The Process – Hole Prep & Copper Plate

- Etchback
  - Different from desmear
  - Removes epoxy resin from dielectric space
  - May include a glass etch
  - Three point connection
    - Some materials resistant to previous chemical process



## The Process – Hole Prep & Copper Plate

- Electroless copper deposition
- Seed layer
  - Prepares dielectric and interconnects for subsequent plating operations
  - 30 micro-inches – 40 micro-inches followed by copper plating
  - 75 micro-inches – 125 micro-inches to prep for imaging process
- Unfriendly chemistry
- Inherently unstable

## The Process – Hole Prep & Copper Plate

- Carbon
- Graphite
- Palladium
- Electroless Nickel
- Conductive Polymer
- Non-Formaldehyde-Based Electroless Copper

### The Process – Hole Fill

- Fill to create flat surface
  - Needed for socket touchdown
- Vacuum assist
- High aspect ratio
- Blind vias



### The Process - Planarization

- Fill to create flat surface
  - Needed for socket touchdown
- Vacuum assist
- High aspect ratio
- Blind vias
- Planarize the surface



## The Process – Outer Layer Imaging

- Reversed from inner layer imaging
- Plating resist, not etch resist
- Photo-resist application
- UV Exposure
  - Film and collimated light
  - LDI or Laser Direct Imaging
    - Polymerizes photo-resist
- Develop
  - Removal of non-polymerized resist

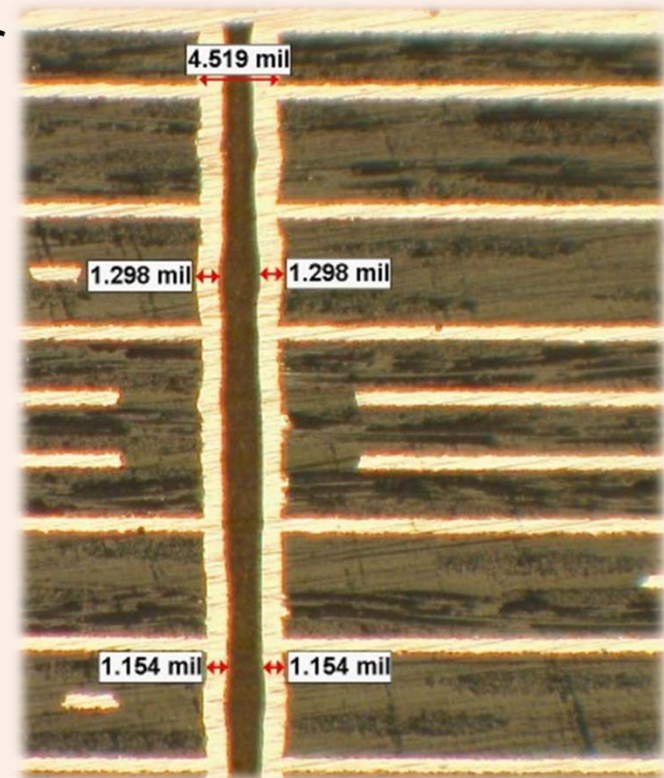
### The Process – Copper-Nickel-Gold Plating

- Electroplating
  - Chemistry (electrolyte solution)
  - Power rectifier
    - Rectifier converts AC to DC
  - Anode (copper)
  - Cathode (PWB panel)



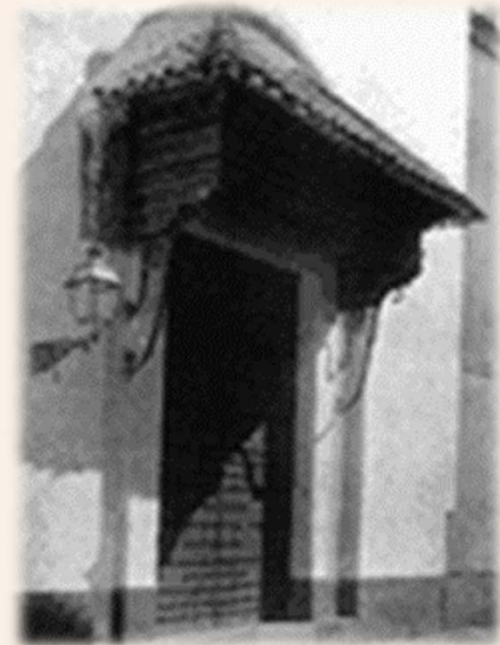
## The Process – Copper-Nickel-Gold Plating

- 1 mil (25 micron) minimum copper thickness in holes
- Minimize surface buildup
- Aspect ratio
  - Through holes or microvias
- Robust and survivable
- Etch resist



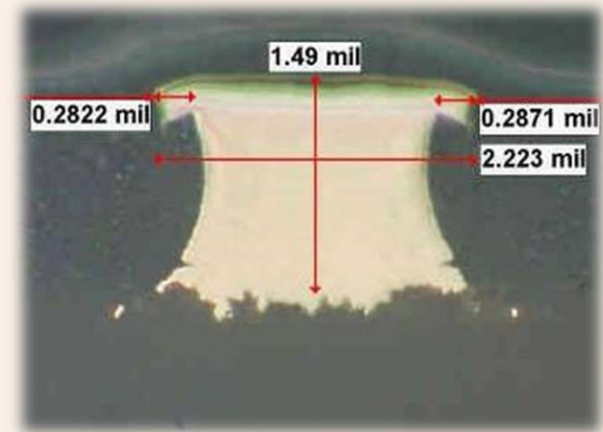
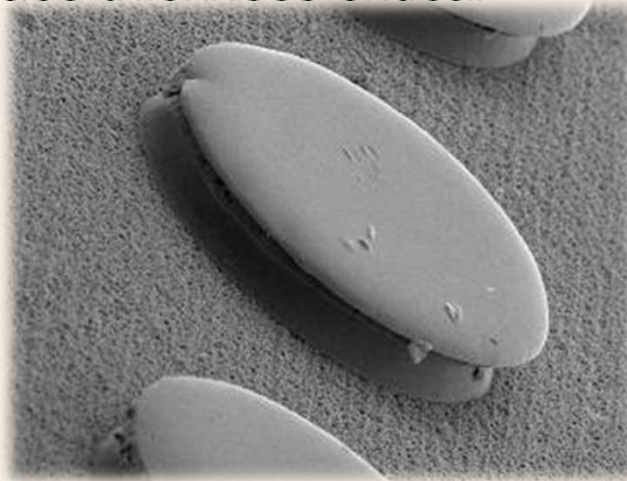
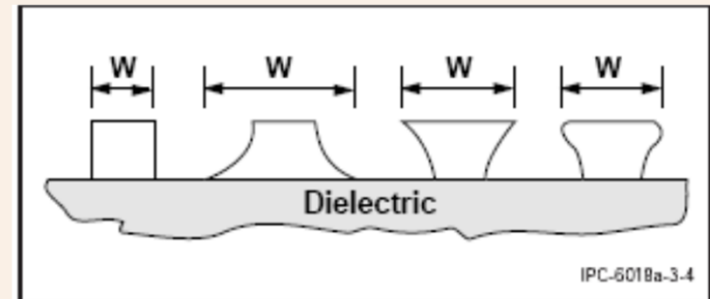
## The Process – Outer Layer Etch

- Define the outer layer(s) pattern
  - Removal of base copper
  - Defines lines, pads, other features
  - Impedance control
- Nickel / Hard Gold typical ATE finish
- Etch factors and 'overhang'
- Other finishes available



### The Process – Outer Layer Etch

- Overhang
  - Depends on surface finish
  - 1:1 thickness
  - Surface thickness critical



### The Process – Electrical Test

- Direct measurement for first board
  - Indirect measurement of subsequent boards
- Isolation and continuity
- Capacitive or electromagnetic coupling
  - Broken traces = reduced coupling
  - Shorted traces = increased coupling
- Trace to ground (increased degree of confidence)
- Adjacency analysis



## The Process – Solder Mask

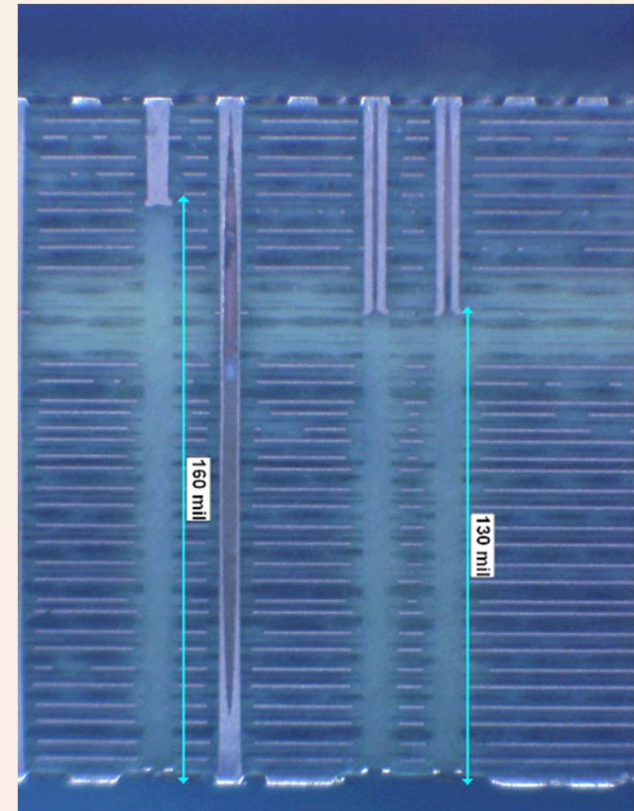
- Epoxy based coating
  - Available in colors and clear
- Surface protection
- Solder resist, as the name implies
- Product identification
- Liquid Photo-imageable
  - Spray coated or screen flood
- Dry film still in use

## The Process – Silk Screen or Legend

- Assembly nomenclature or legend
- Available **colors**
- Product identification
- Screen print
- Inkjet

## The Process - Depanelization

- Secondary Drill (non-plated holes)
- Back drill or stub drill
- Counterbores / countersinks
- Slots
- Routing



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## The Process – Final Inspection

- Visual and dimensional
- Cosmetic defects
- Impedance testing
- Cross sections
- Other measurements and certifications

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