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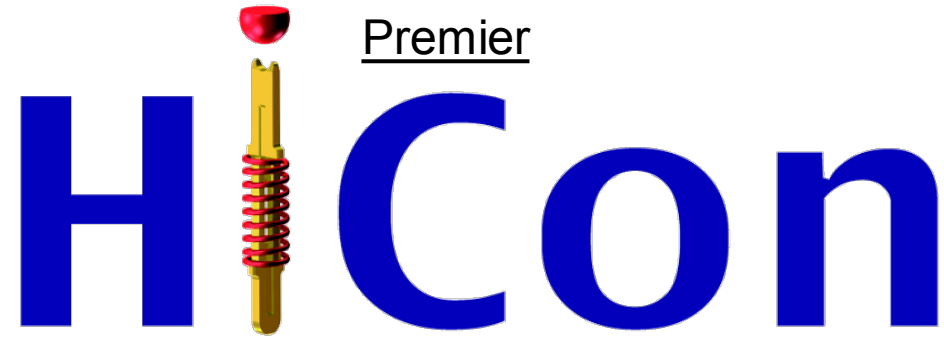
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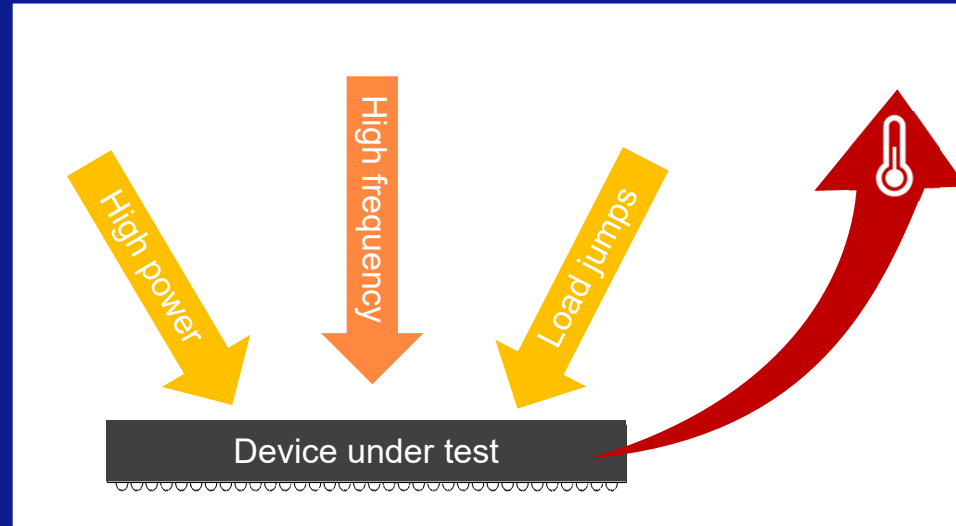
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Introduction



Thermal influences on an IC device under test due to new chip technologies makes it more and more difficult to keep the test temperature near the set point.

Description of test setup

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- Pick & place tri-temp handler
- Active thermal control system (ATC)
- Temp. transfer by direct contact with device – **stability +/- 0.5K**

Advantest V93k LTH – test head

- Power jumps up to **8W** during test

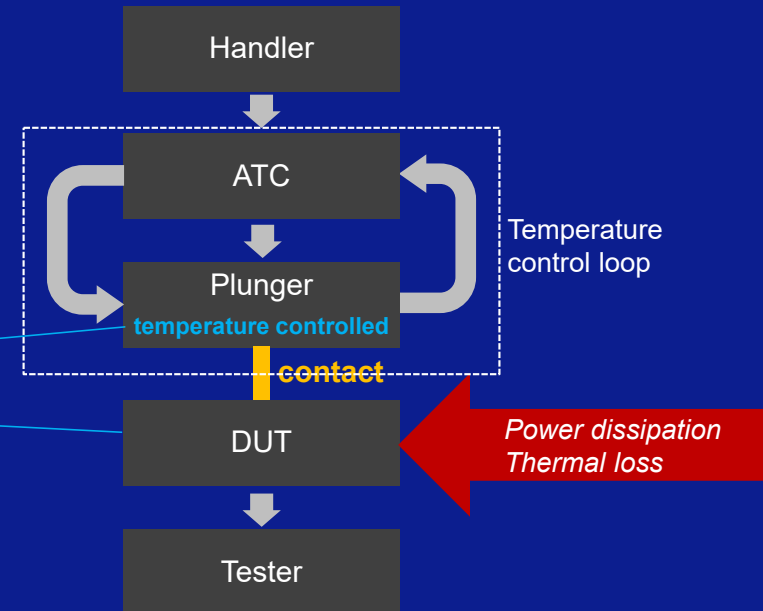
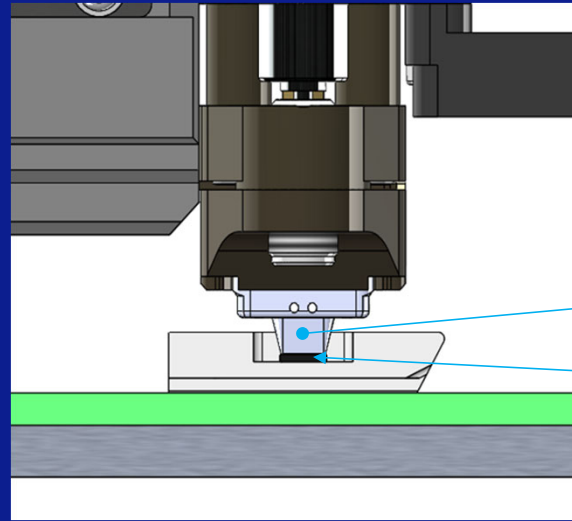
BGA Microcontroller – tested device

- Test temperature **+160°C (320°F)**
- Critical temp. limit: **+169°C (336.2 °F)**



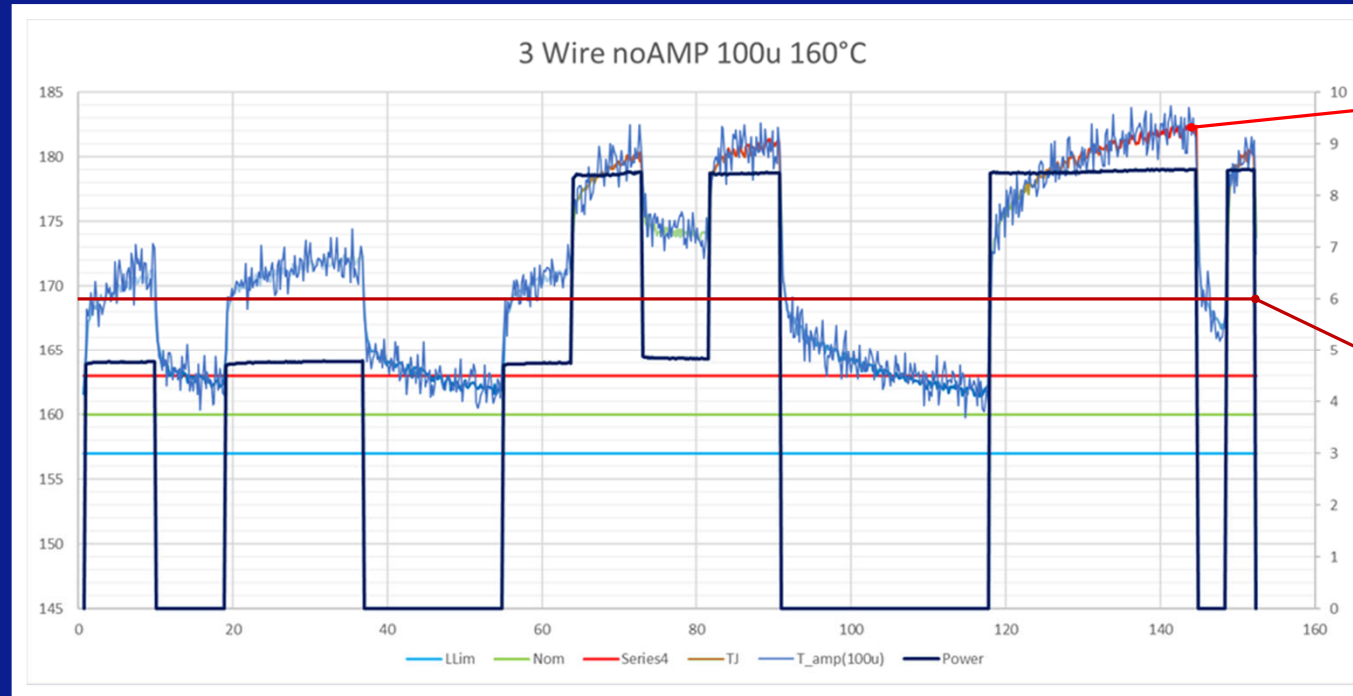
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Description of ATC (active thermal control)



ATC controls the contact plunger temp. without recognizing / reacting to **external influences** on the device immediately.

Status quo - temperature



$T_{max} = 182^{\circ}C$

$T_{critical} = 169^{\circ}C$

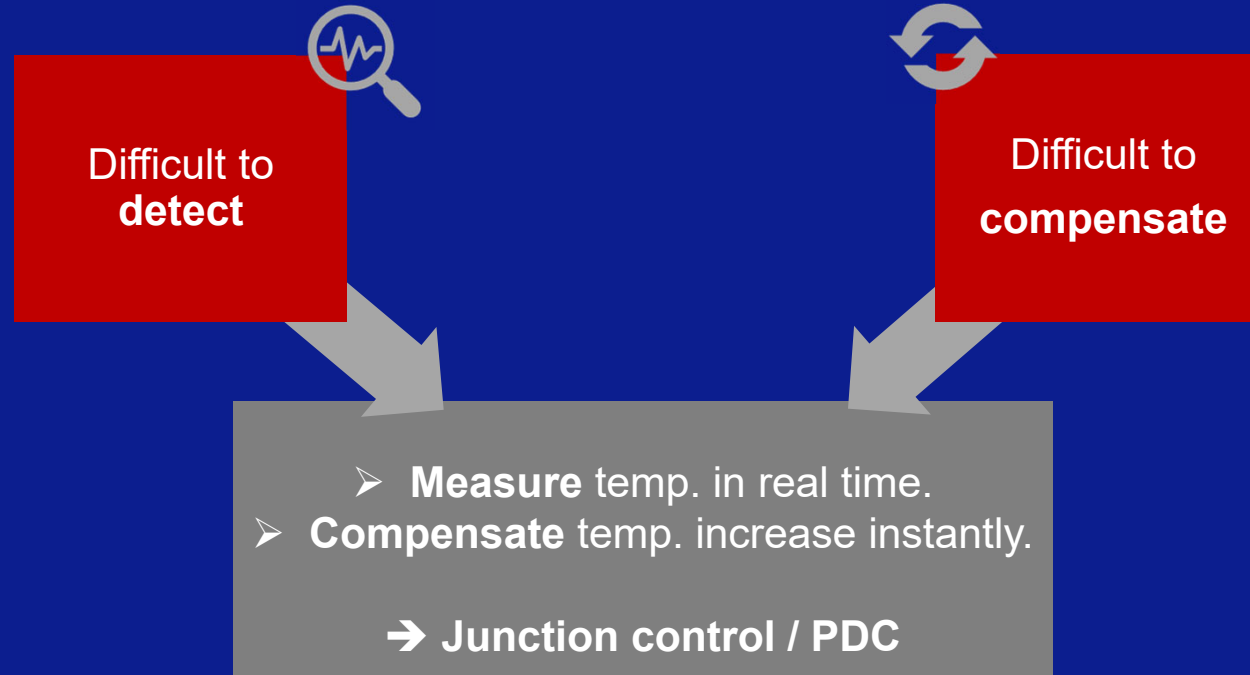
This graph shows a real case study. As a result of the power dissipation, the device temperature rises rapidly by more than **20K** when **8W** power is applied.



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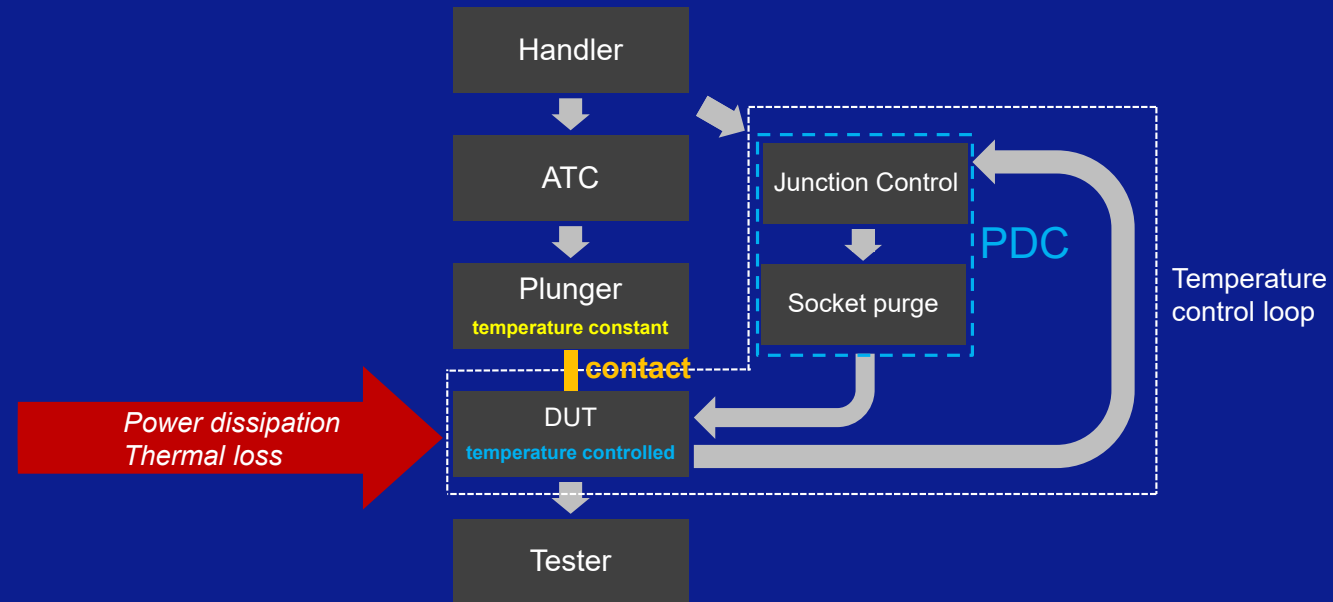
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Conclusion – temperature increase



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Concept overview – ATC & PDC



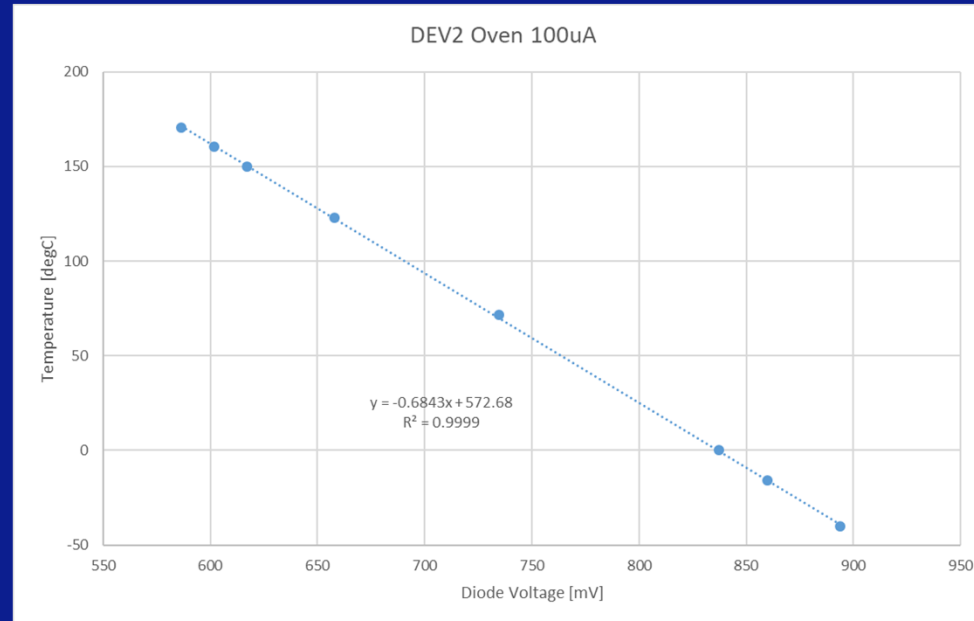
PDC (*power dissipation compensation*) allows instant reaction.



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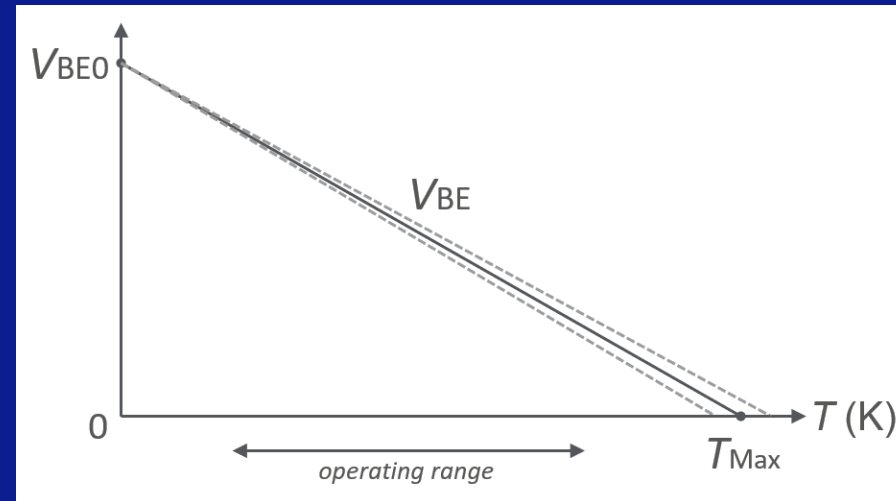
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Temp. Measurement – thermal diode



- Integrated in many devices.
- Voltage over diode shows linear behavior over temperature.

Linear function – thermal diode



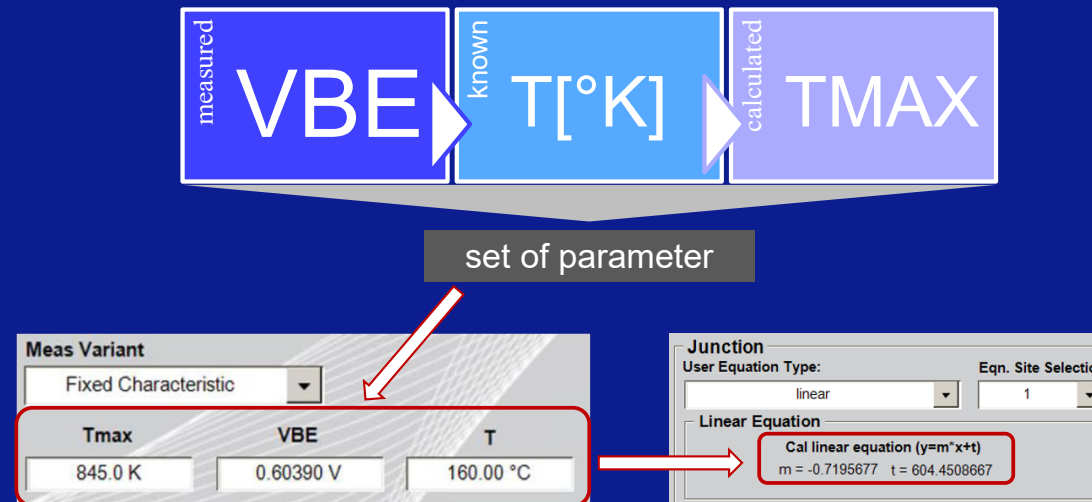
V_{BE0} : Voltage V_{BE} of a (silicon) diode @ 0K

- taken as fix point
- 1.2385V from literature,
- confirmed by measurement)

T_{MAX} : Theor. temp. @ $V_{BE} = 0$

- can vary
- depending on setup technology, lot or device

Transition into PDC parameters

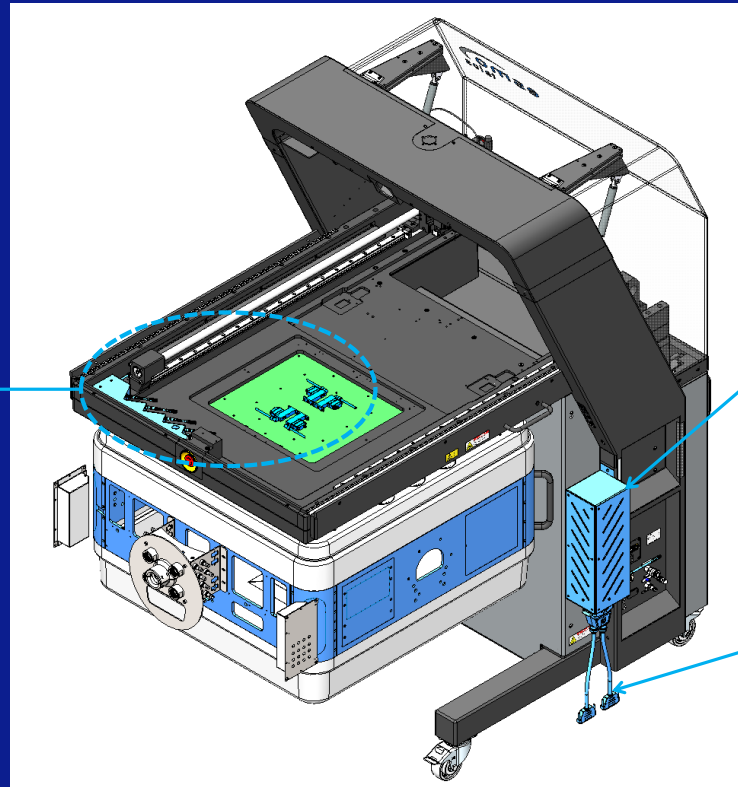


V_{BE} (measured) at T (known) $\rightarrow T_{max}$ (calculated)

➤ gain & offset of linear function $\rightarrow T_{junction}$ (calculated by PDC)

Handler hardware - overview

Hardware for compensation



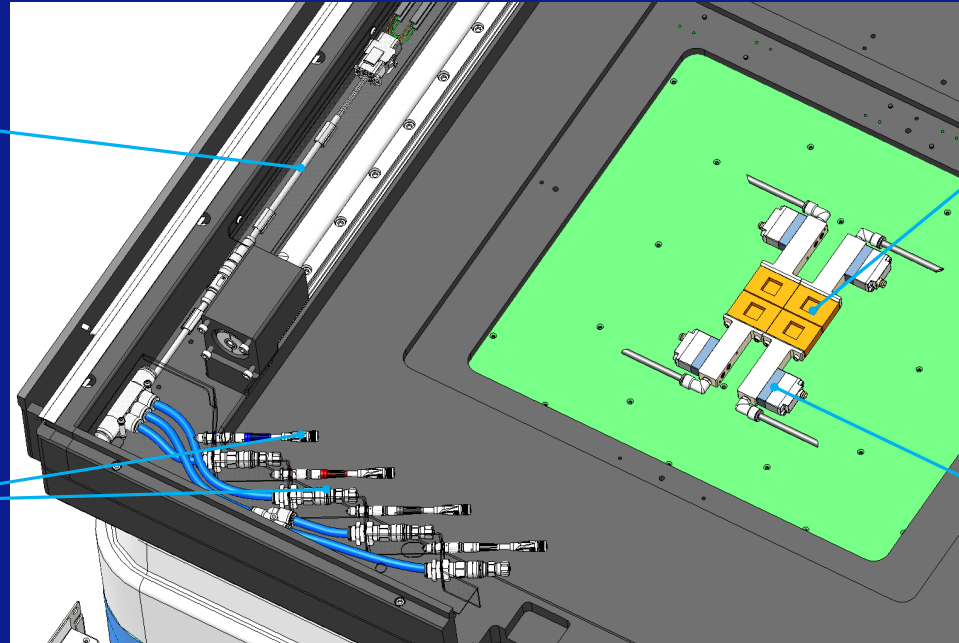
Junction control box
- Measuring electronics
- Signal processing
- Power supply

Signal cables for V93k tester

Temp. compensation - hardware

Main air & signal lines

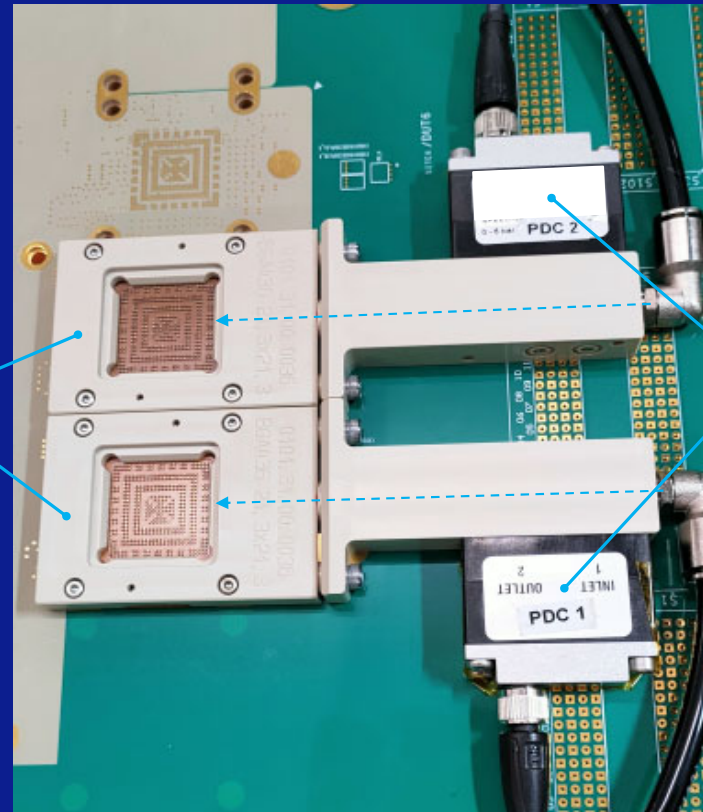
Air & signal singulation for purge units



Sockets

Purge units
(mounted to sockets)

Temp. compensation - hardware

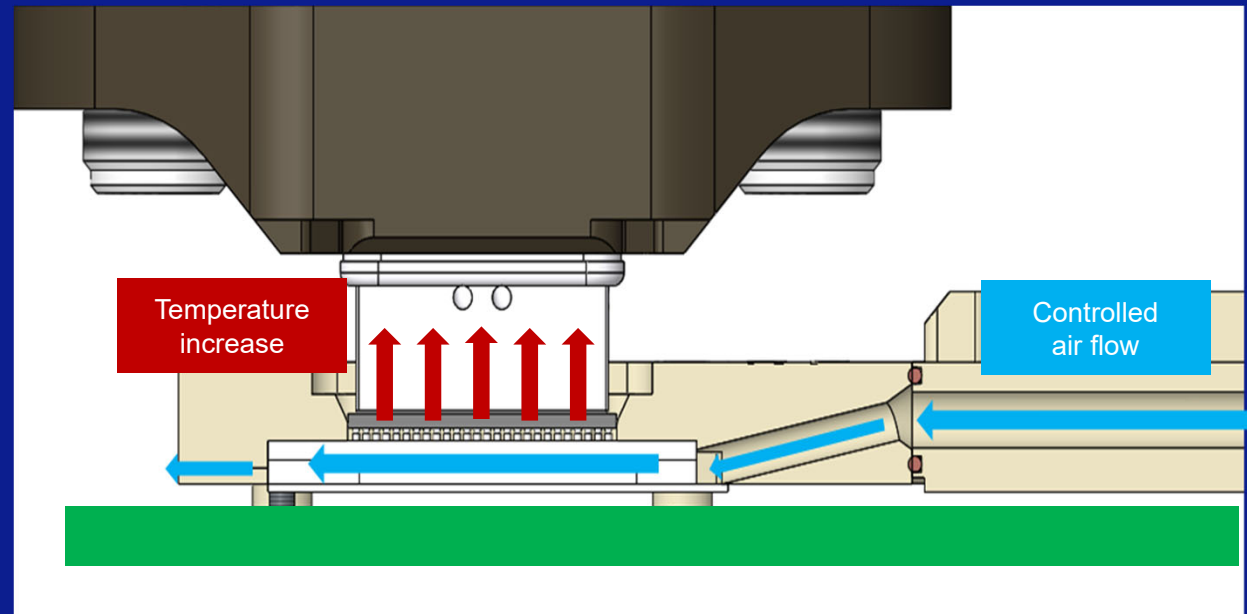


Sockets

High speed matrix valves

- Controlled by PWM signal from control box
- 100ms period (10Hz)
- on/off settable 0-100ms in steps of 1ms
- response time: 0.7-1.9ms (@6 bar, 87psi)

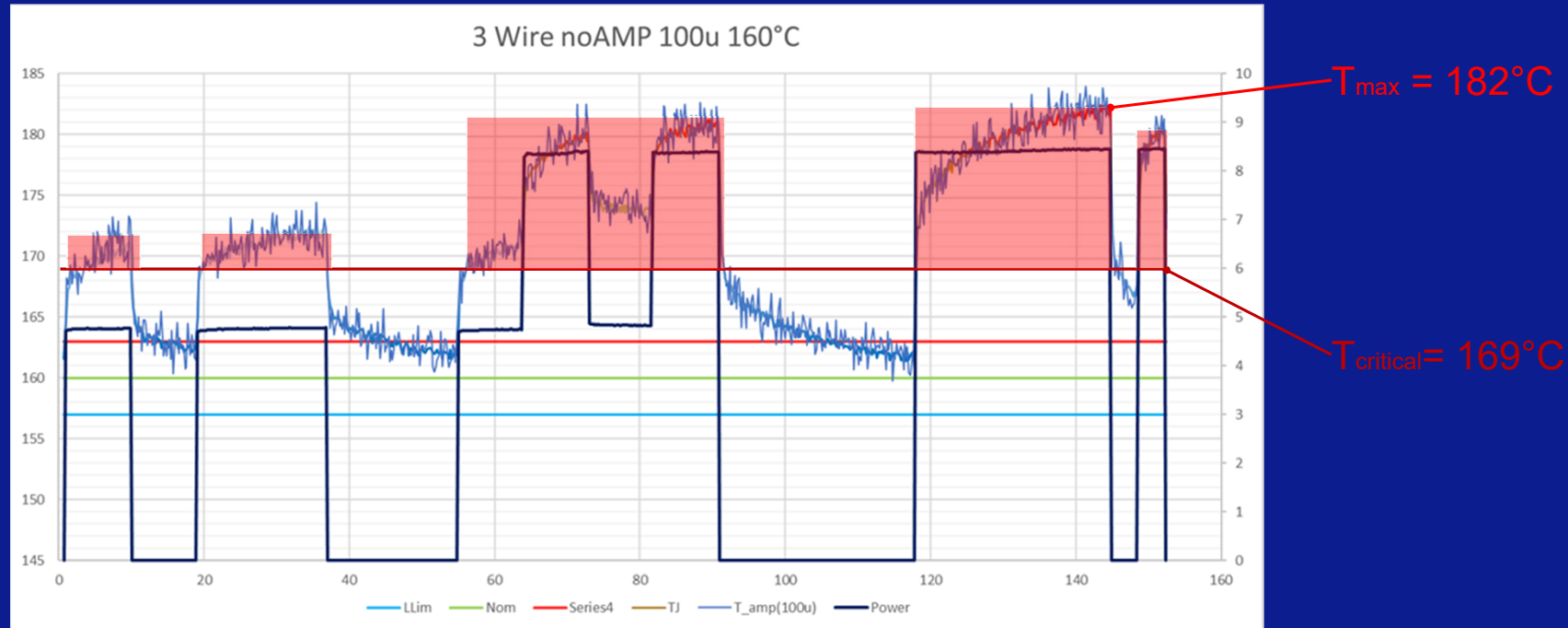
Temp. compensation - hardware



Rise of temperature is detected.

- Air flow through socket is increased.

Starting point- temperature



$T_{critical}$: Exceeded during ~ 60% of test time

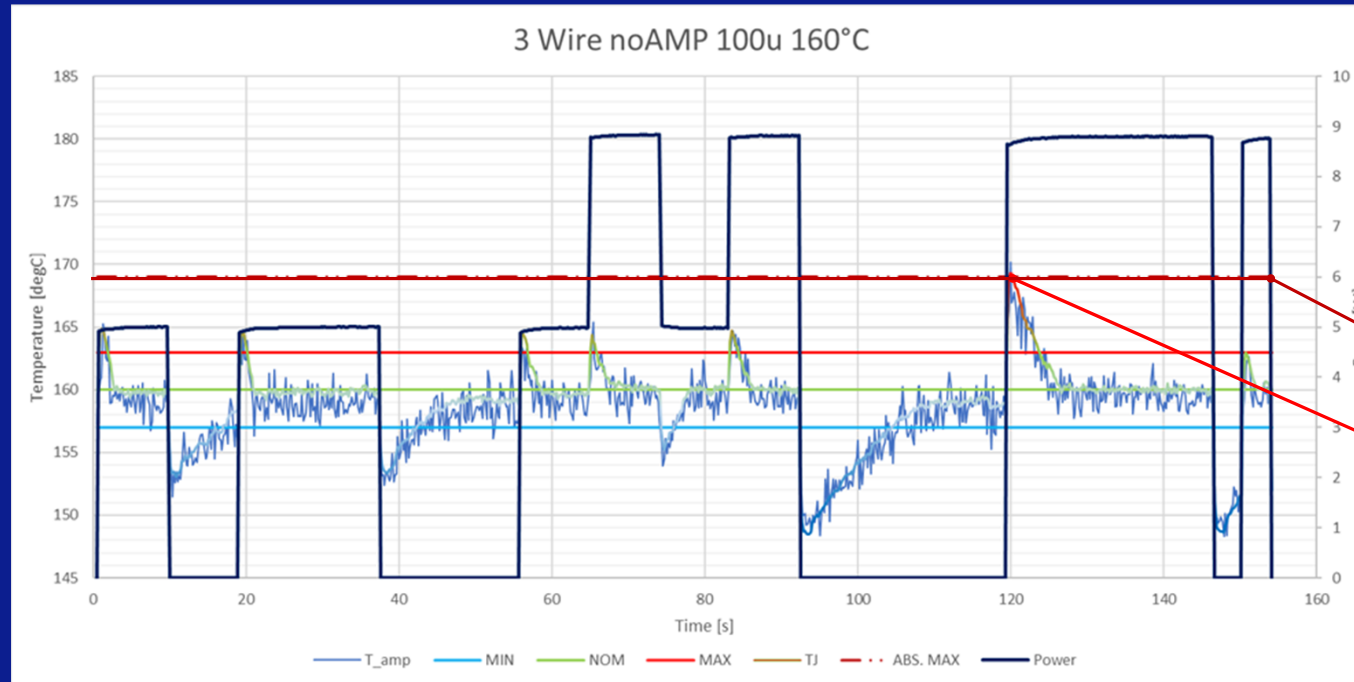
$T_{average} = \sim 173^{\circ}\text{C}$ ($T_{set} = 160^{\circ}\text{C}$), Delta = 13K



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Result PDC - temperature



$T_{critical}$: Not exceeded

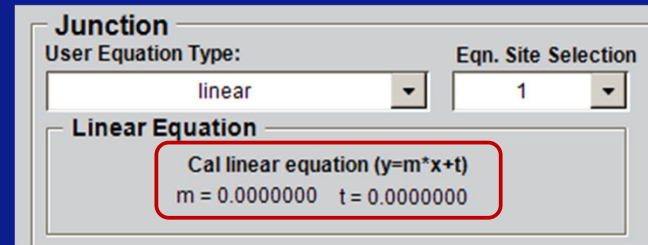
$T_{average} = \sim 157^{\circ}\text{C}$ ($T_{set} = 160^{\circ}\text{C}$), Delta = 3K



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Additional developments



No thermal diode available in the device?

- Different temp. characteristic (linear polynomic) can be used

Additional developments



T_{\max} can vary between different devices

- PDC can recalculate T_{\max} based on the T and V_{BE} for each device individually.