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# Thermal Analysis of IC Packages

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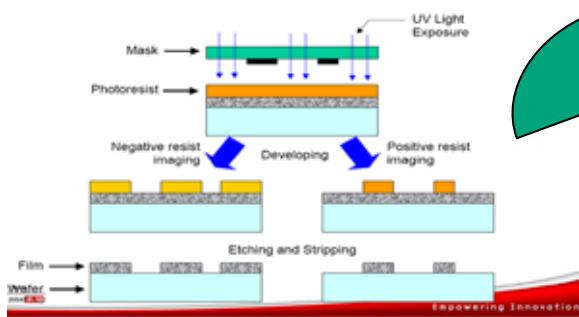


# Flexible Electronics Technology

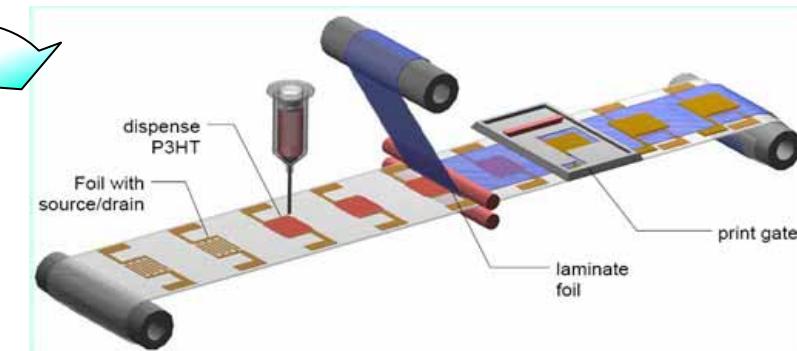
■ **Flexible Electronics Technology:** Flexible electronics is a generic term that represents a range of device and materials technologies built on **flexible and conformal substrates** such as **thin plastic or metal foils**. Flexible electronics, using **amorphous and low-temperature polysilicon** and **organic semiconductor** materials, is an area that is beginning to show tremendous promise. (Source: Proceeding of the IEEE)

■ **Printed Electronics**, being **thin film silicon or inorganic or organic semiconductors**, can be used to form Thin Film Transistor Circuits (TFTCs), such as **replacing the functionality of simple silicon chips**.

...Often they will be made by **rapid, high-volume reel-to-reel processing** even forming a part of regular printing processes for graphics. These circuits will be **cheap enough** to permit electronics where envisaged silicon chips are always or almost always too expensive, where multiple components are needed, and where silicon is impractical (e.g. not flexible, brittle, thick etc). (Source: Printed Electronics Review, IDTechEx)



Photolithography Process



R2R Process (Screen Printing, Inkjet Printing,...)



# Outline

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- Issues in electronic cooling
- Overview of heat transfer in electronic cooling
- Numerical analysis of electronic cooling - thermal network method
- Thermal analysis of heat sink
- Measurement of thermal resistance
- Thermal performance of PBGA
- The future
- Conclusions

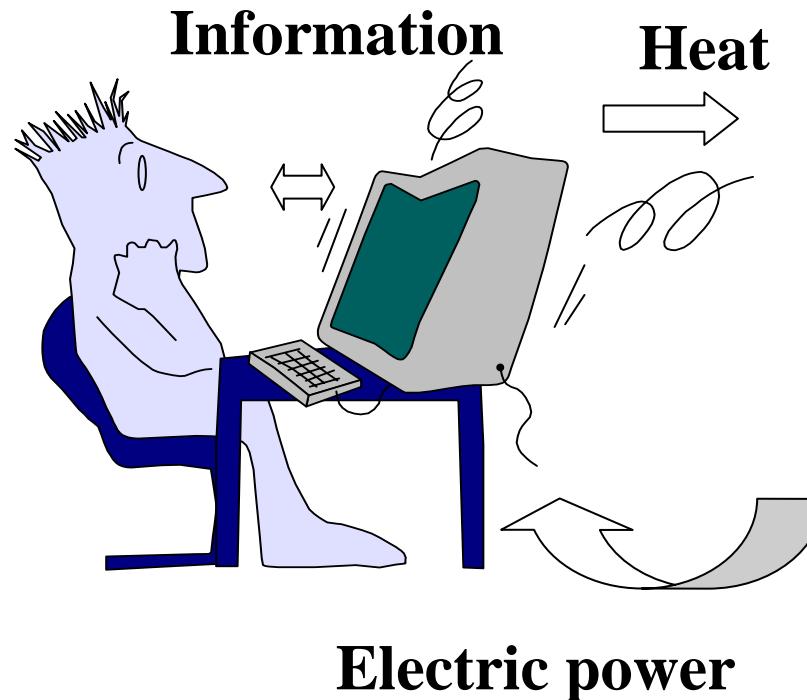


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# Issues in Electronic Cooling

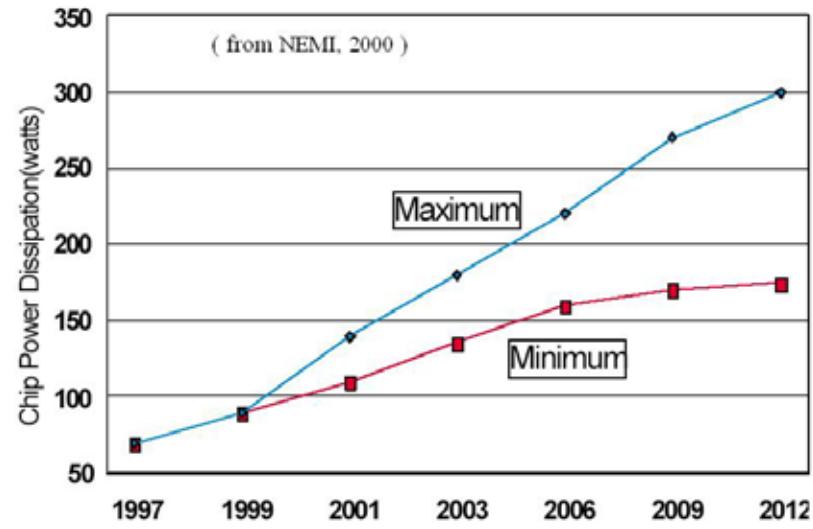
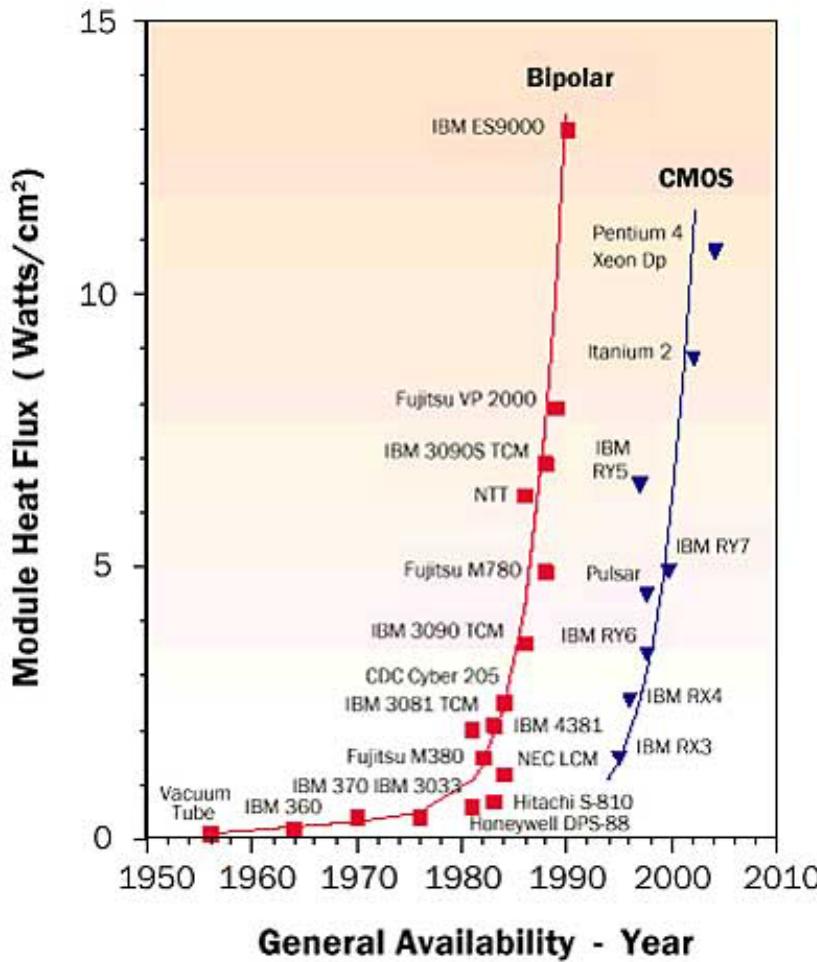


# Electronic Cooling





# Trends of Power Dissipation

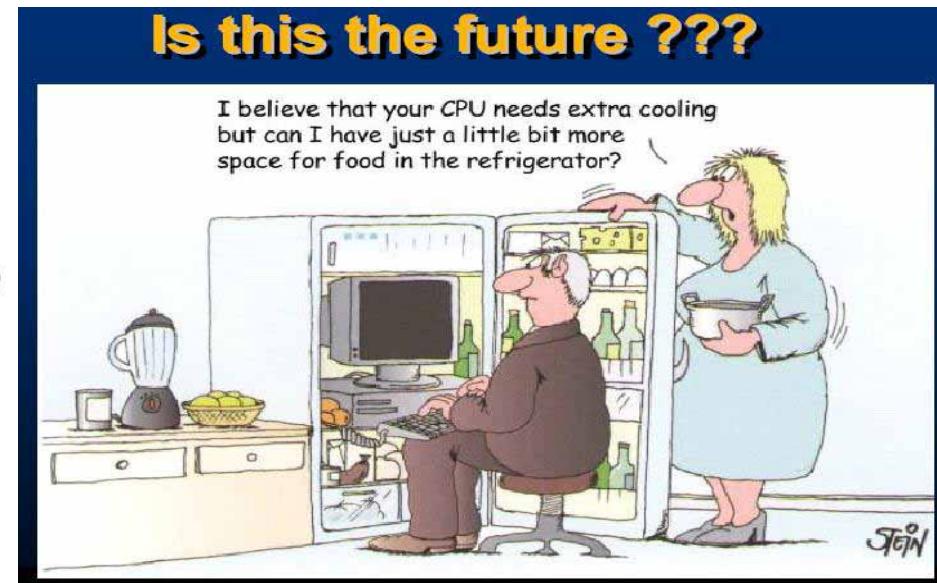
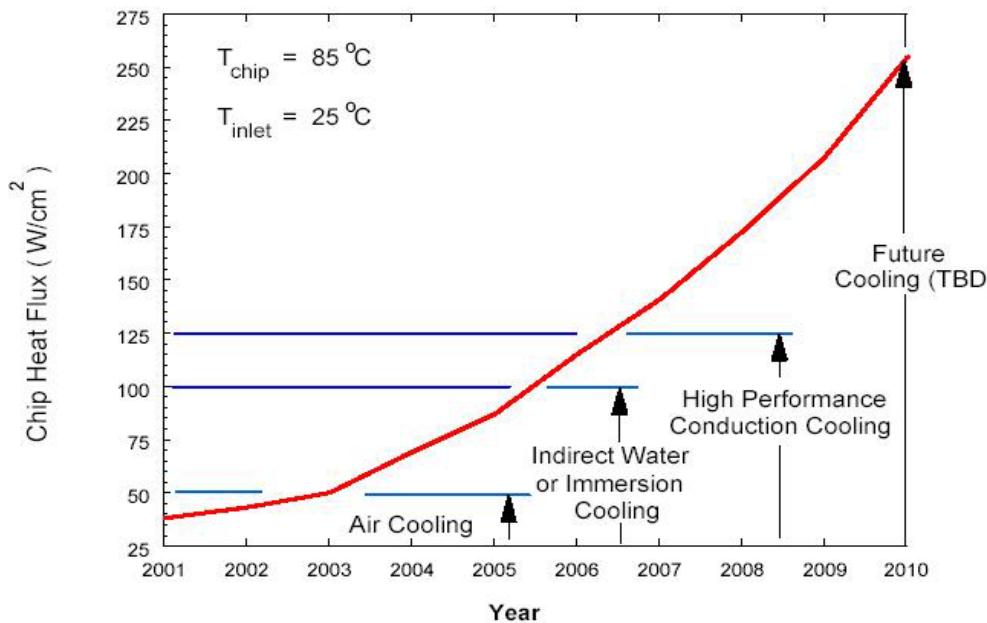


ITRS 2001	Projections from 2001 (0.13 μm) to 2016 (0.022 μm) <sup>1</sup>				
	Chip Features	Power <sup>2</sup>	Temperature Limits (°C)		Chip Features
		W	Junction	Ambient	Size mm <sup>2</sup>
Commodity products (< \$300) (Micro-controllers, disk drives, displays)	n/a	125	55	57-90	415-10,000
Handheld products (< \$1,000) (Mobile products, cellular telecommunications)	2.4-3	100	55	57-90	415-10,000
Cost/Performance products (< \$3000) (Notebooks, desktops, PCs)	61-158	85	45	170-307	1,700-29,000
High Performance products (> \$3000) (High end work stations, servers, avionics)	130-288	85	45	310-310	1,700-29,000
Automotive (Under-the-hood sensors, passenger products)	14-27	150	-40-125	60-150	60-234

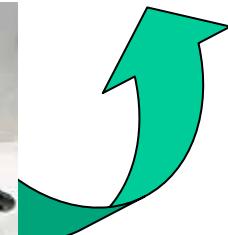
1. Excluding memory      2. Single chip packages



# New Cooling Technologies Are Needed



Heat Sink w/ Fan





# Issues Induced by Heat

- Temperature too high: burned-out



- Pentium 4 2.0GHz : lower operating frequency, continuously works
- Pentium 3 1.0GHz : device down when overheat. No damaged
- Athlon 1.4GHz (ThunderBird) : No protection, damaged if temperature exceeds 370 C
- Athlon 1.2GHz (Palomino) : No protection. damaged if temperature exceeds 300 C

- Temperature gradient induces noise between devices



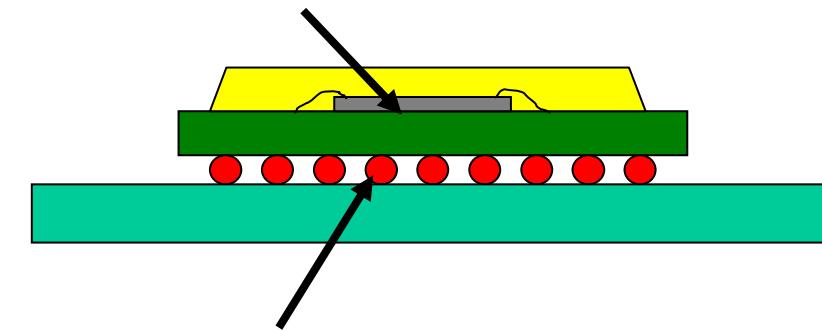


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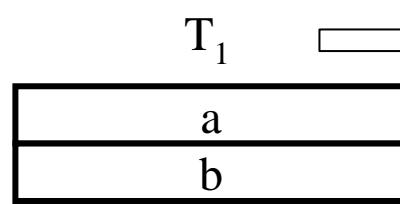
- Mismatch of CTE induces thermal stress

Material	CTE (ppm/C)
Si	4.2
Die Attach	50.0
Copper	17.0
Gold	14.3
Alloy 42	6.4
Molding Compound	17.0
Solder	26.0
BT substrate	14~17
FR-4 PCB	17

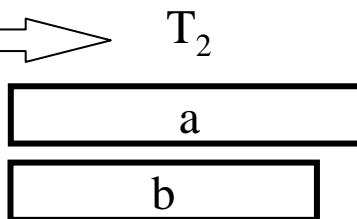
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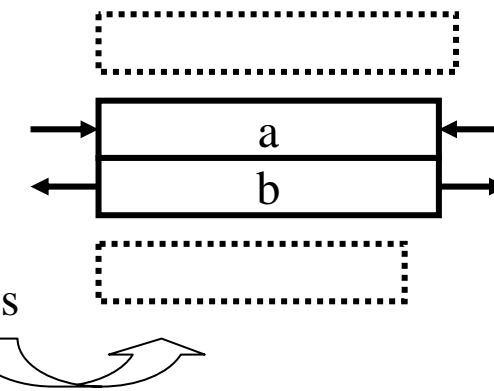
Interfaces between component and PCB



- (1)  $T_1 > T_2$   
(2)  $\alpha_a < \alpha_b$

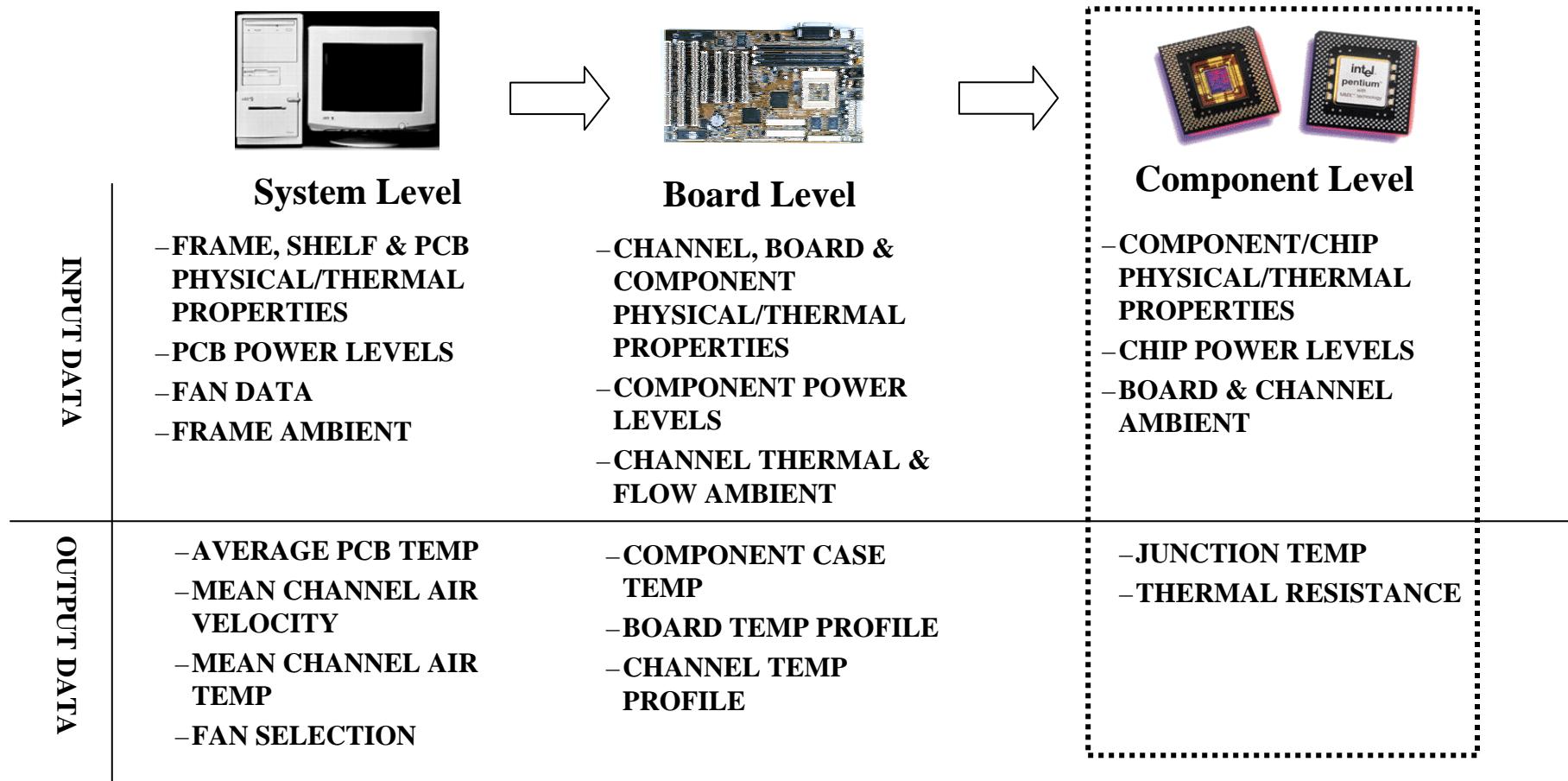


Material a: Compressive stress  
Material b: Tensile stress





# Hierarchy of Electronic Cooling



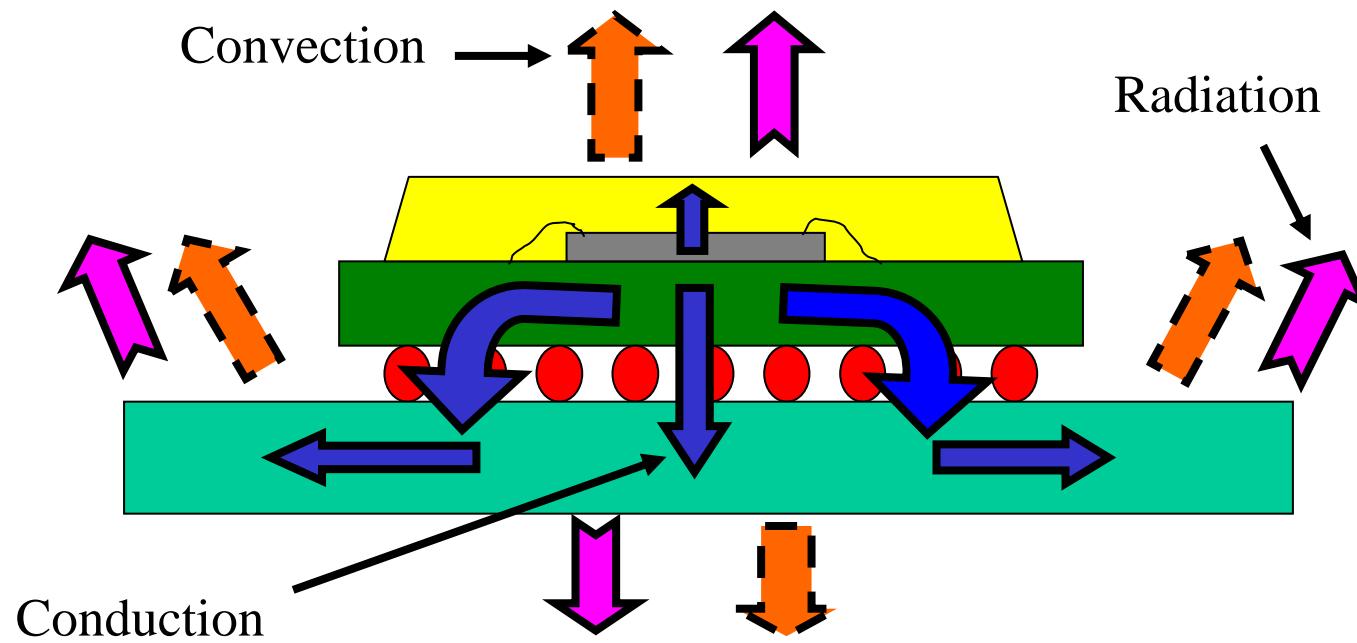


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# Overview of Heat Transfer in Electronic Cooling

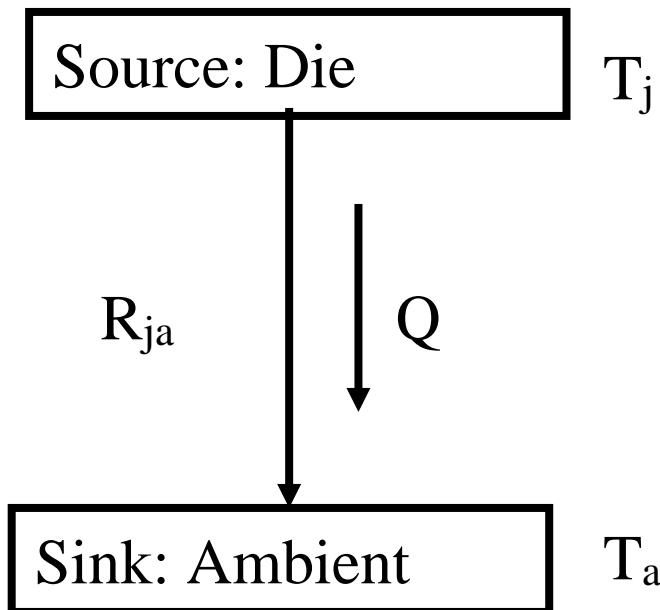


# Heat Transfer Path in IC Package





# Thermal Resistance



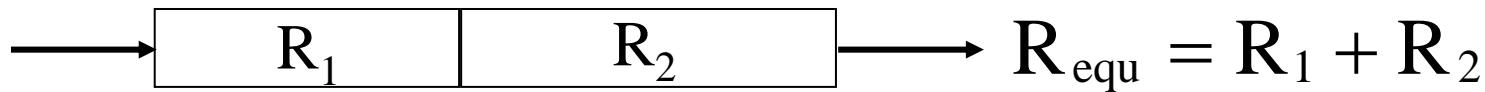
- Thermal resistance
  - An index to identify the ability of thermal design
  - Unit : C/W

$$R_{ja} = \frac{T_j - T_a}{Q}$$
$$= \frac{T}{Q}$$

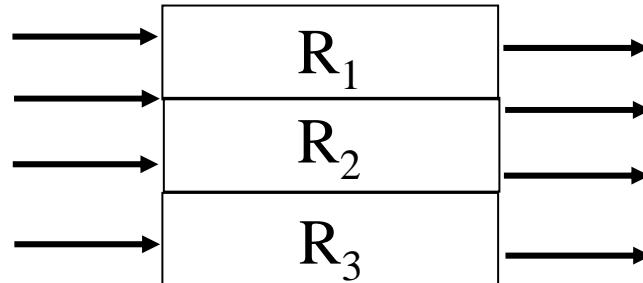


# Combination of Thermal Resistances

- Series



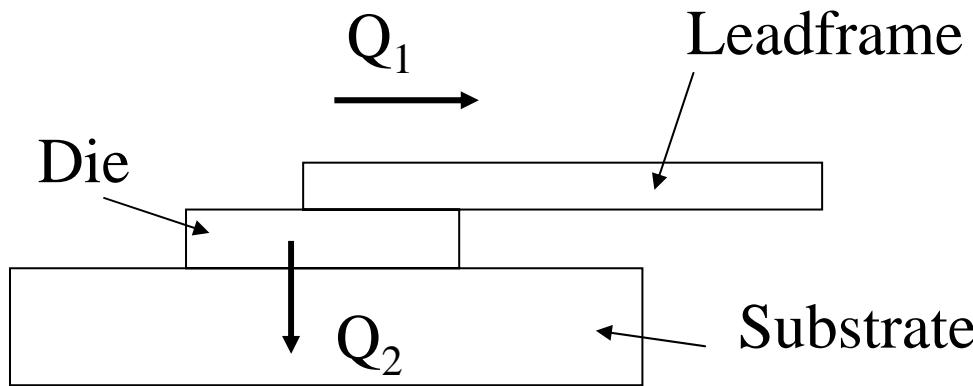
- Parallel





# Calculation of Thermal Resistance

- Is It Correct?



$$\frac{1}{R_{\text{equ}}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2}$$

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$R_1$ : thermal resistance of die and substrate

$R_2$ : thermal resistance through the lead frame



# Thermal Resistances in Component Level

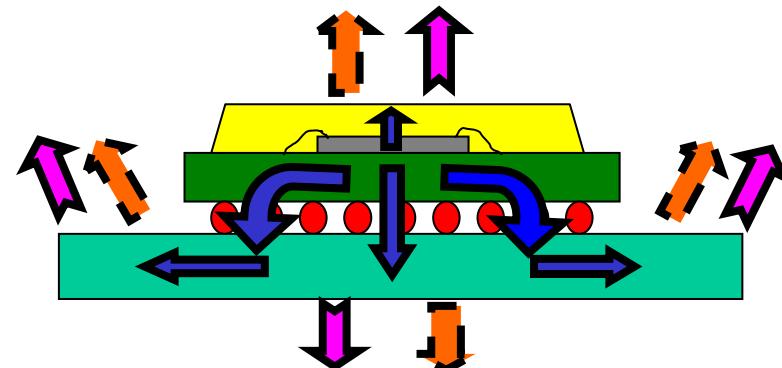
- Total Thermal Resistance  $R_{ja}$  : die junction - to - ambient
- Internal Thermal Resistance  $R_{jc}$  : die junction - to - case
- External Thermal Resistance  $R_{ca}$  : case - to - ambient

$$R_{ja} = R_{jc} + R_{ca}$$

$$R_{ja} = (T_j - T_a)/Q$$

$$R_{jc} = (T_j - T_c)/Q$$

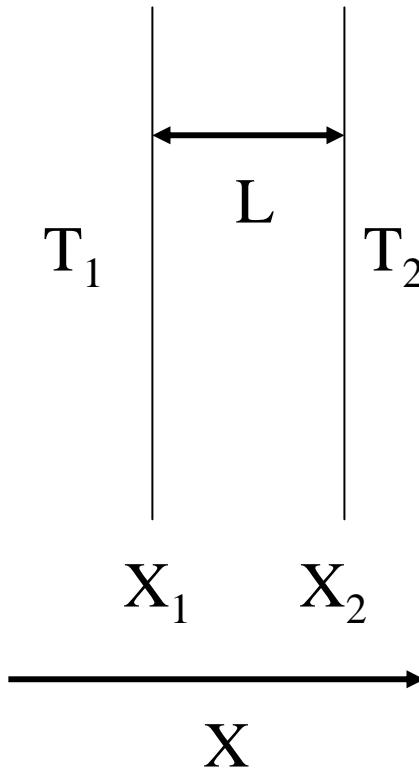
$$R_{ca} = (T_c - T_a)/Q$$





# One Dimensional Model

- 1-D steady state without heat generation



$$\frac{d^2T}{dX^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{dT}{dX} = C_1$$

$$T(X) = C_1 X + C_2$$

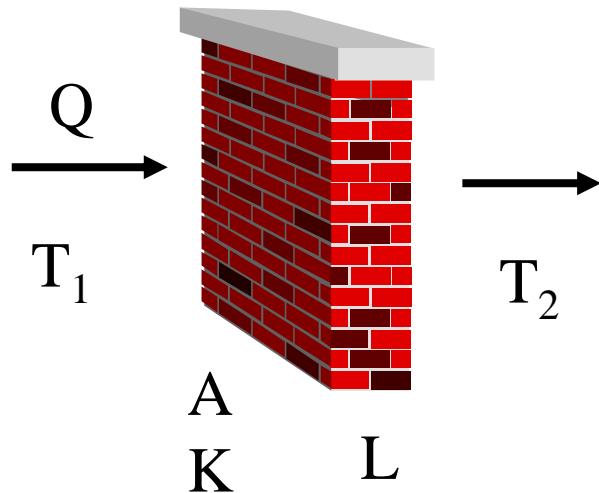
Boundary Condition

$$T(X_1) = T_1, \quad T(X_2) = T_2$$

$$T(X) = (T_2 - T_1) \frac{X}{L} + T_1$$



# Conductive Thermal Resistance



Fourier's law

$$Q = -KA \frac{dT}{dX}$$

$$Q = KA \frac{T_1 - T_2}{L}$$

Conductive thermal resistance

R: Thermal resistance (C/W)

$$\Delta T = RQ$$

L: Length of heat transfer path (m)

$$R = \frac{L}{KA}$$

K: Thermal conductivity (W/mC)

A: Cross-sectional area ( $m^2$ )



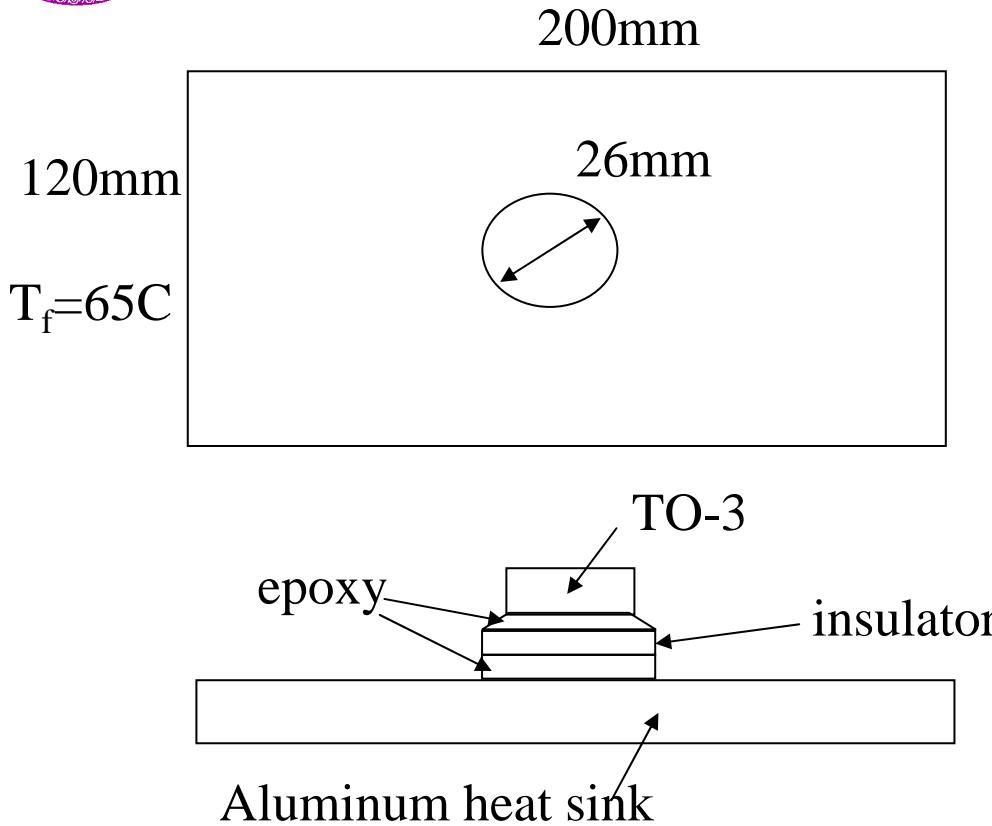
# Thermal Conductivity

- Thermal conductivity
  - Unit: W/mC

Material	Thermal conductivity (W/mC)
Si	85~147
GaAs	58.0
Air	0.02624
EME-6300H	0.67
Alloy 42	15.9
C7025	170.3
KLF-125	151.2
Al 6061	155.0
63Sn/37Pb	50.0
Cu	386
BT	0.17
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> (96%)	25.9



# Example: Thermal Analysis of TO-3

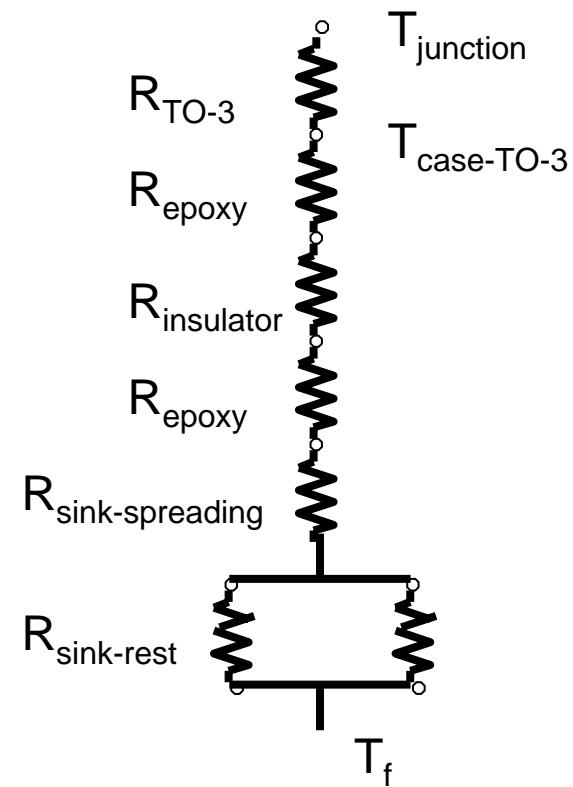
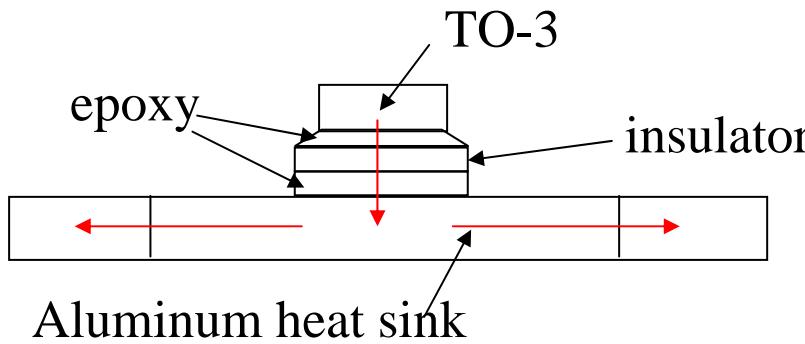
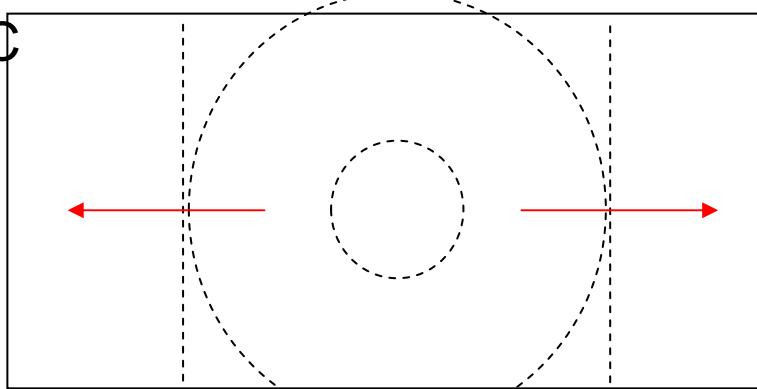


- TO-3:  $R_{jc}=1.52 \text{ C/W}$
- Epoxy
  - thickness=0.025mm
  - $K=0.0004 \text{ W/mmC}$
- Insulator
  - thickness=1.5mm
  - $K=0.0276 \text{ W/mm C}$
- Aluminum heat sink
  - thickness=10mm
  - $K=0.2165 \text{ W/mm C}$
- Temperature of the farthest edge=65 C
- $T_j=? @ Q=55 \text{ W}$



# A Simple Thermal Network Model

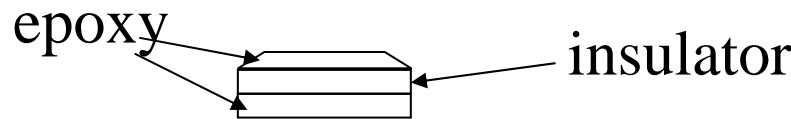
$T_f = 65^\circ\text{C}$





# A Simple Thermal Network Model (cont.)

- Determine the temperature gradient from TO-3 case to the heat sink



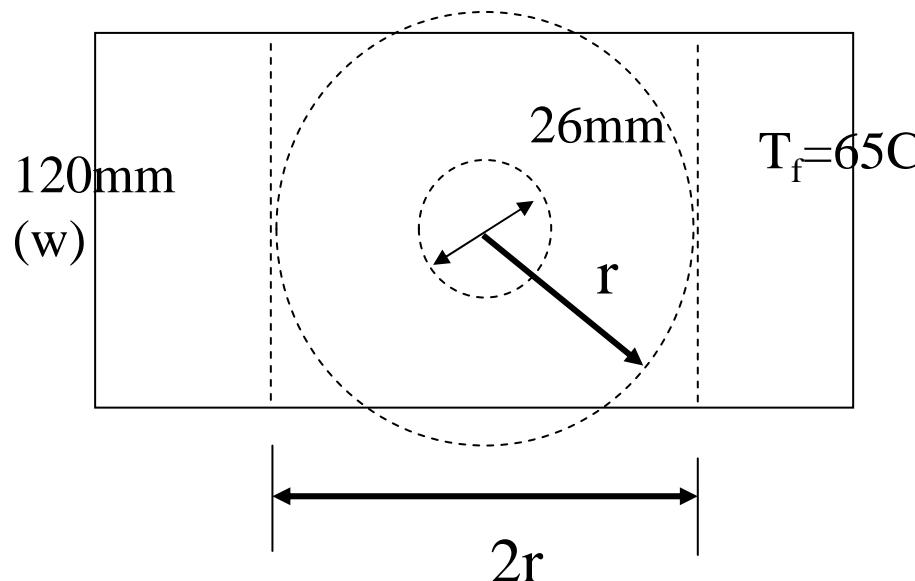
$$\Delta T_m = Q \times R_m = 55 \left( \frac{1.5}{0.0276\pi \left( \frac{26}{2} \right)^2} + \left( \frac{2(0.025)}{0.0004\pi \left( \frac{26}{2} \right)^2} \right) \right) = 18.6C$$



# A Simple Thermal Network Model (cont.)

- Determine the temperature gradient from TO-3 mounting area through the heat sink base to the farthest edge

120 mm >> 26 mm !

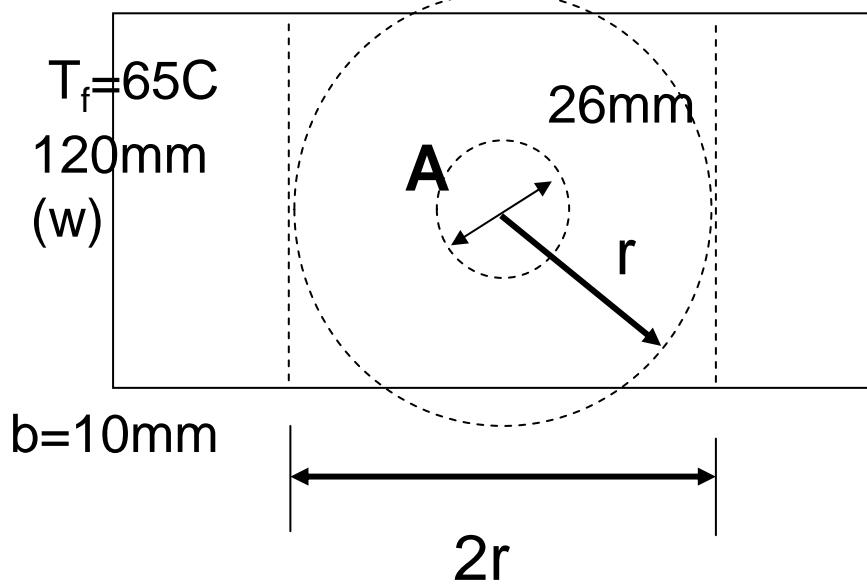


$$2wr = \pi r^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \frac{2w}{\pi} = \frac{2 \times 120}{\pi} \\ &= 76.5\text{mm} \end{aligned}$$



# A Simple Thermal Network Model (cont.)



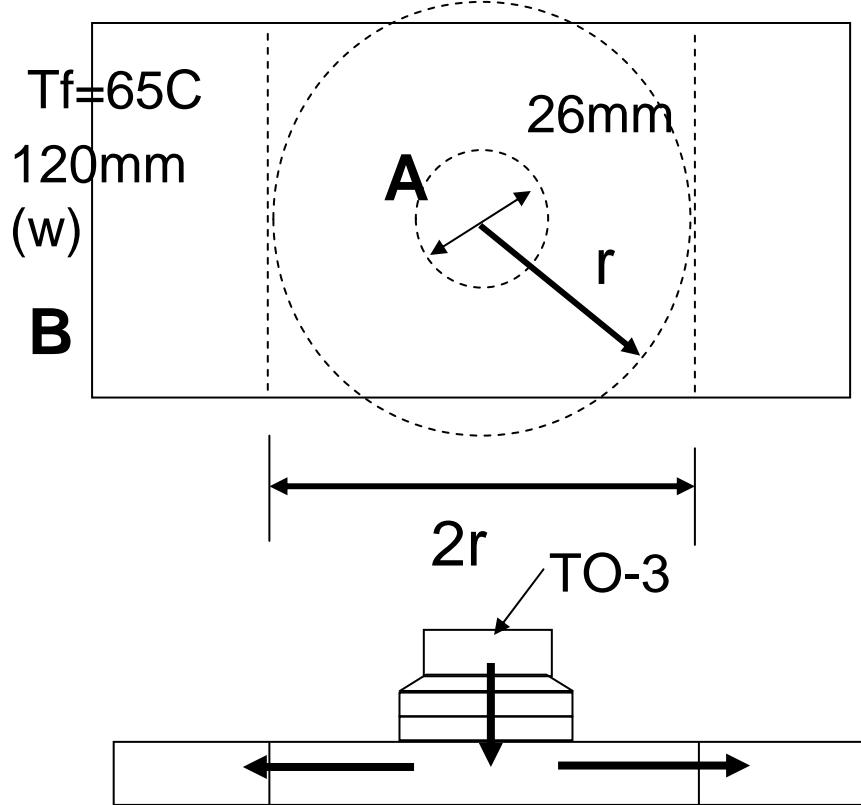
$$R = \frac{1}{2\pi K b} \ln\left(\frac{D_o}{D_i}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta T_{AB} &= Q\left(\frac{1}{2\pi K_{HS} b} \ln\left(\frac{d_o}{d_i}\right)\right) + \frac{Q}{2}\left(\frac{L}{K_{HS} w b}\right) \\ &= 55\left(\frac{1}{2\pi \times 0.2165 \times 10} \ln\left(\frac{76.5 \times 2}{26}\right)\right) + \\ &\quad \frac{55}{2}\left(\frac{(200 - 2 \times 76.2)/2}{0.2165 \times 120 \times 10}\right) \\ &= 9.7^\circ\text{C}\end{aligned}$$

Di : diameter of the inner cylinder  
Do : diameter of the outer cylinder  
K : thermal conductivity of the cylinder  
b: thickness (length) of the cylinder



# A Simple Thermal Network Model (cont.)

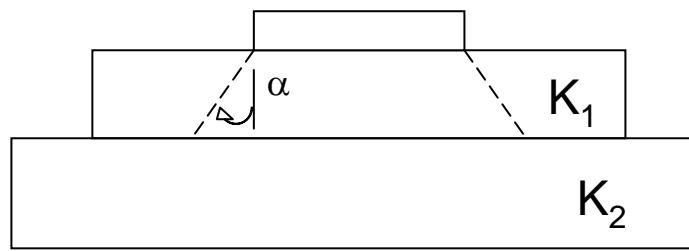


$$\begin{aligned}T_j &= T_f + \Delta T_{AB} + \Delta T_m + \Delta T_{TO} \\&= 65 + 9.7 + 18.7 + 55 \times 1.52 \\&= 177C\end{aligned}$$



# Heat Spreading

- Model of heat spreading

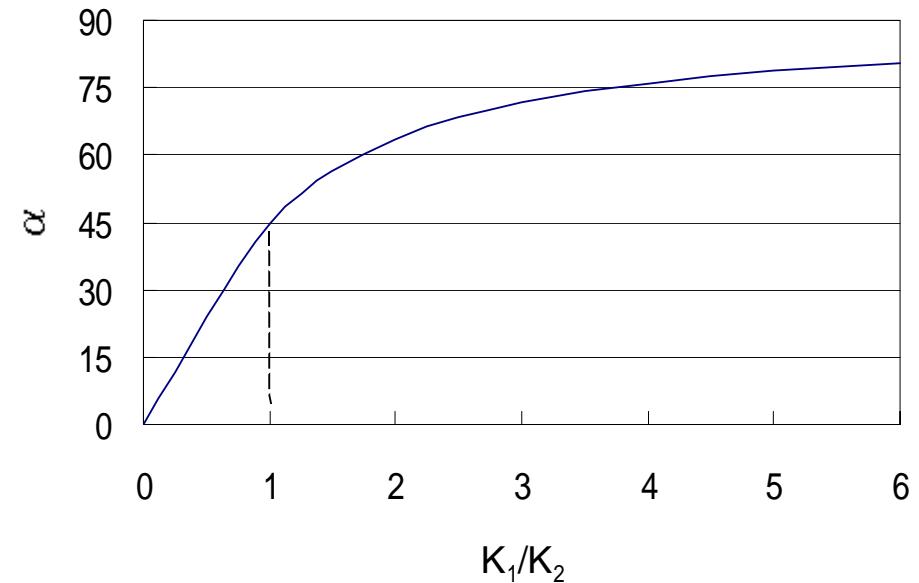


- Model 1

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{K_1}{K_2} \right)$$

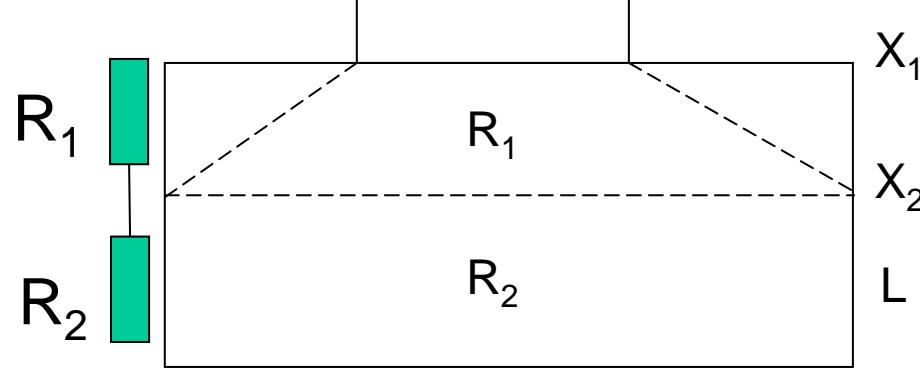
- Model 2

$$\alpha = 45^\circ$$





# Heat Spreading



$$R_1 = \int_{X_1}^{X_2} \frac{dX}{kA(x)}$$

$$R_2 = \frac{L}{KA}$$

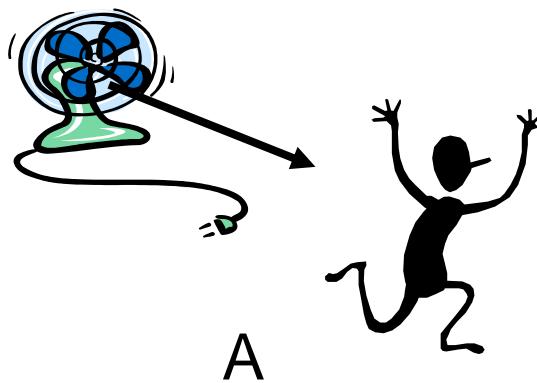
$$R = R_1 + R_2$$



# Convective Thermal Resistance

- Newton's cooling law

$$Q = hA(T_w - T_o)$$



Q Heat flow (W)  
A Area ( $m^2$ )  
 $T_w$  Wall temperature  
 $T_o$  Fluid temperature  
h Heat transfer coefficient ( $W/m^2C$ )

- Convective thermal resistance

$$R = \frac{1}{hA}$$



# Heat Transfer Coefficient

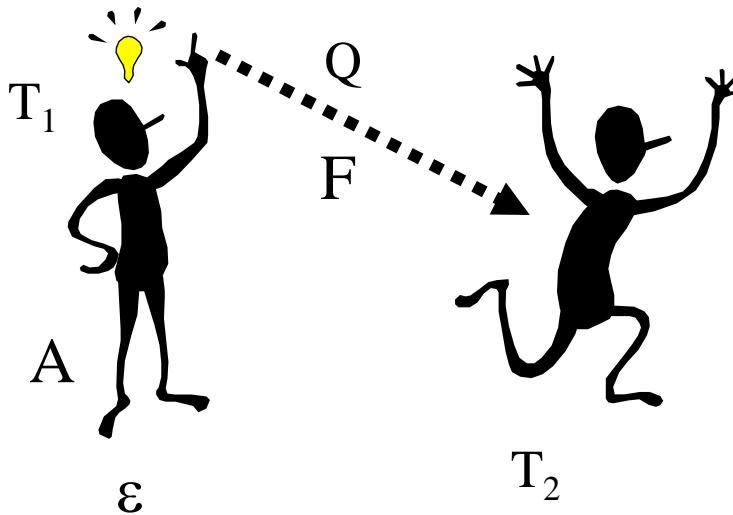
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- Heat transfer coefficient is a characteristic of flow field, not a fluid property!
- DO NOT COPY ANY EQUATION INTO YOUR MODEL EXCEPT YOU HAD VERIFIED IT BY EXPERIMENTAL WORKS!
- EACH PROBLEM HAS ITS UNIQUE HEAT TRANSFER COEFFICIENT!
- *WHAT SHOULD WE DO?*



# Radiation Heat Transfer

- Energy is transferred by electromagnetic wave



$$Q = \varepsilon \sigma F A (T_1^4 - T_2^4)$$

$$R = \frac{1}{hA}$$

$$h = \varepsilon \sigma F (T_1^2 + T_2^2)(T_1 + T_2)$$

F: View Factor

T: Temperature (K)

$\varepsilon$  : Emissivity

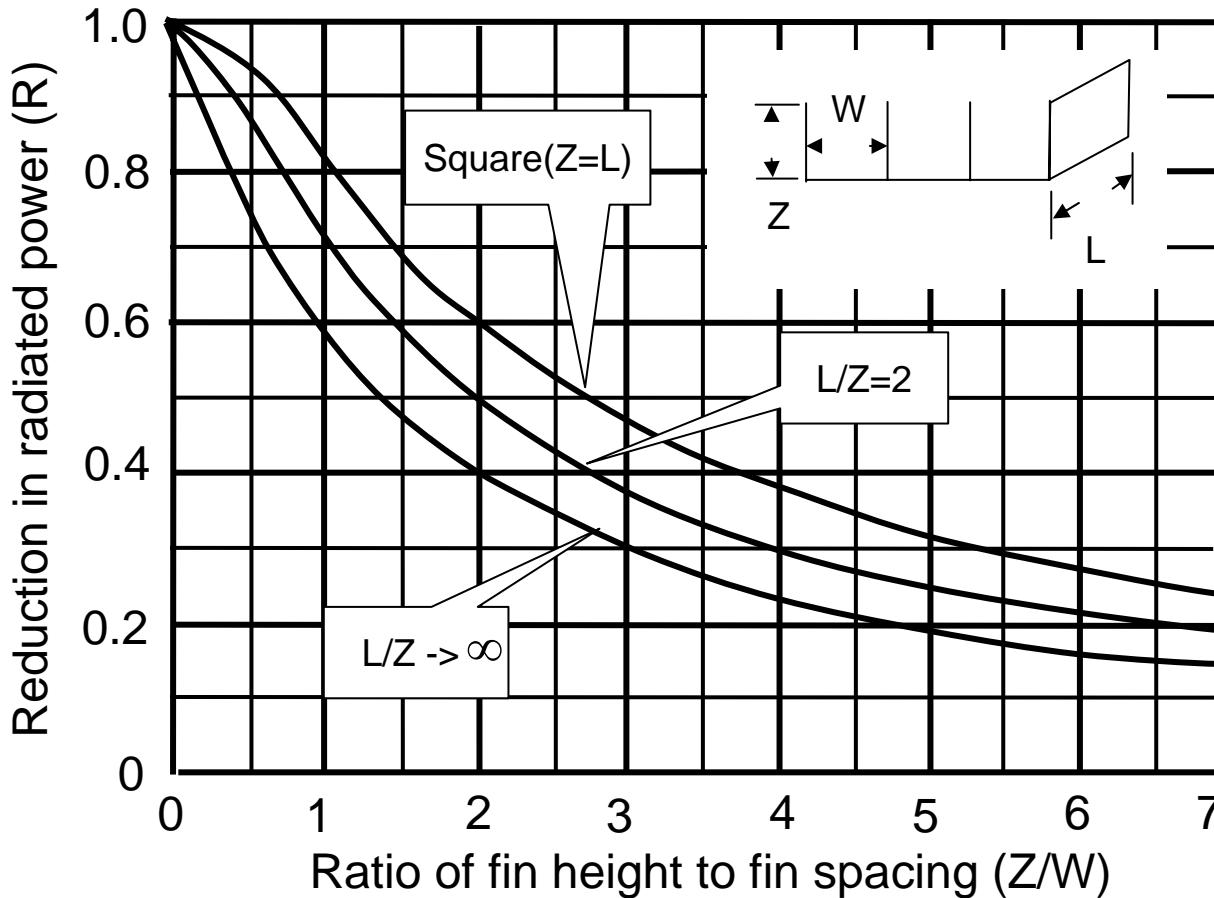
$\sigma$ : Stephan-Boltzman constant

$$(5.673\text{E-}12 \text{ W/cm}^2\text{K}^4)$$

Surface	Emmissivity
Commercial Aluminum (polished)	0.05
Anodized Aluminum	0.80
Aluminum	0.27~0.67
Commercial Copper (Polished)	0.07
Oxidized Copper	0.70
Stainless Steel (Polished)	0.17
Stainless Steel (With heavy oxide)	0.85
Oil Paints (Any color)	0.92
Molding Compound	0.8 ~ 0.85



# Reduction of Heat Transfer Area (View Factor)



$$Q = \varepsilon\sigma FA(T_1^4 - T_2^4)$$
$$= \varepsilon\sigma S_r(T_1^4 - T_2^4)$$

- $S_r$  Effective radiating area of the subject surface, taking into account shielding effects



# Misunderstanding

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- False
  - Radiation is only significant in very high temperature.
- True
  - Co-existing for natural convection and radiation
  - Radiation almost occupies 1/3 !
  - Equivalent heat transfer coefficient

$$h = h_c + h_r$$

$h_c$ : heat transfer coefficient from natural convection

$h_r$ : heat transfer coefficient from radiation



# Analogy of Several Physical Theories

## Heat Transfer

- Heat flow  $Q$  (W)
- Temperature difference  $\Delta T$  (C)
- Thermal resistance  $R$  (C/W)
- $\Delta T = RQ$
- Fourier law

## Electricity

- Current  $I$  (Amp)
- Voltage drop  $\Delta V$  (Volt)
- Electrical desistance  $R$  ( $\Omega$ )
- $\Delta V = RI$
- Ohm's law

## Force

- Displacement  $X$  (m)
- Force  $F$  (kg)
- Stiffness  $K$  (m/kg)
- $F = KX$
- Hook's law

Transferred substance





# Summary

- Conduction

$$R = \frac{L}{KA}$$

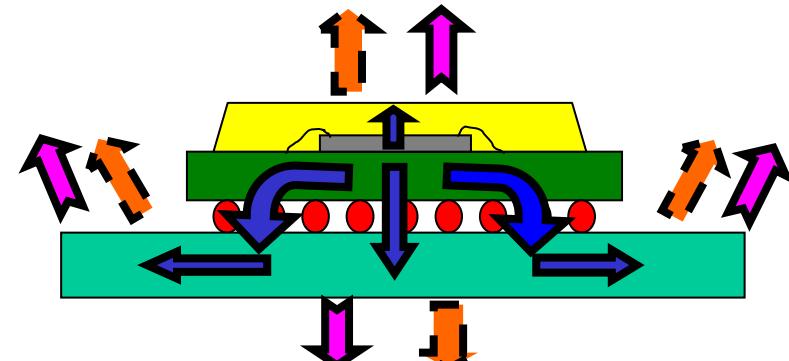
- Convection

$$R = \frac{1}{hA}$$

- Radiation

$$R = \frac{1}{hA}$$

$$h = \epsilon\sigma F(T_1^2 + T_2^2)(T_1 + T_2)$$





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# Numerical Analysis of Electronic Cooling

## - Thermal Network Method



# Numerical Simulation of Electronic Cooling

- Objective
  - To understand thermal performance of IC package: thermal resistance
  - To obtain the trends of thermal performance improvement
- What we want to have
  - Temperature distribution
  - Thermal resistance
  - Heat transfer distribution



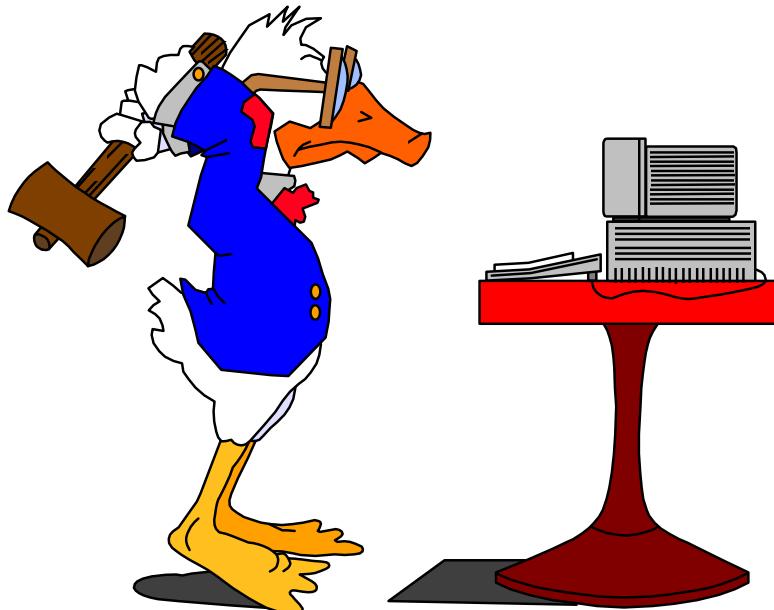
# Numerical Software for Electronic Cooling

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- ANSYS:General Purpose, FEM
- FloTherm :Specific purpose from system to component level), FVM
- ThermoPKG for Windows NT & 95: Specific purpose for component level developed by ERSO/ITRI, FEM
- Others



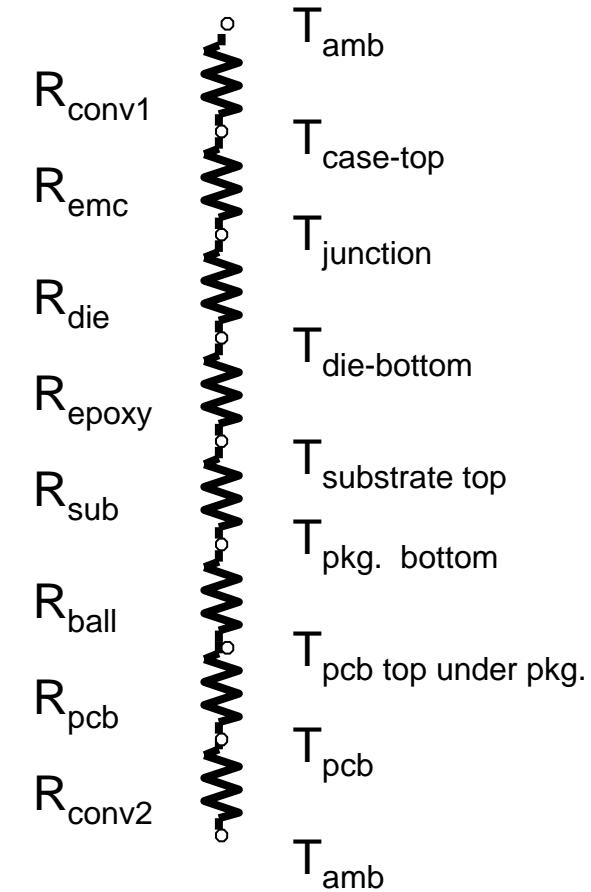
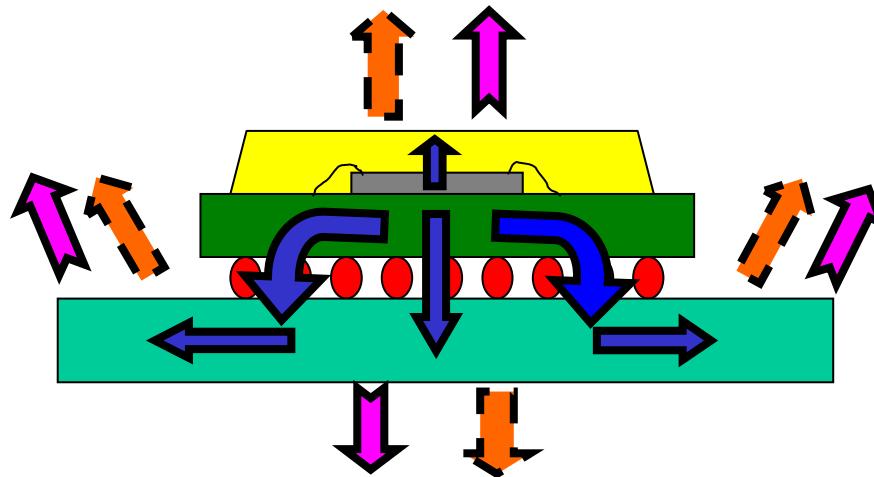
# Numerical Simulation Methods



- Thermal network method
  - From thermal-electrical analogy to obtain algebraic equation
- Finite element method
  - From energy integral to obtain algebraic equation
- Finite difference method
  - From difference equation to obtain algebraic equation

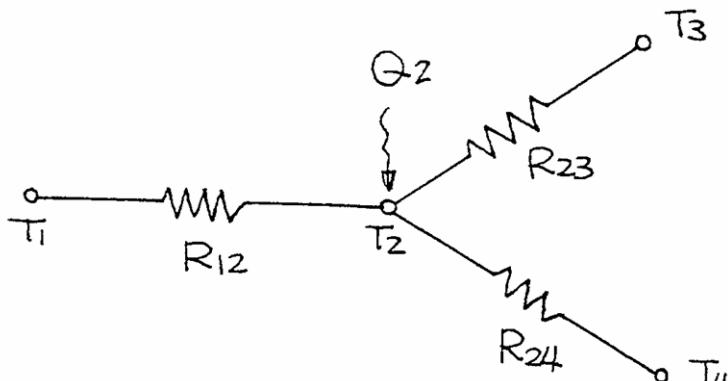


# Thermal Network Method





# Basic Theory of Thermal Network Method



For Point 2

$$Q_{in} = Q_{out}$$

$$\frac{T_1 - T_2}{R_{12}} + Q_2 = \frac{T_2 - T_3}{R_{23}} + \frac{T_2 - T_4}{R_{24}}$$

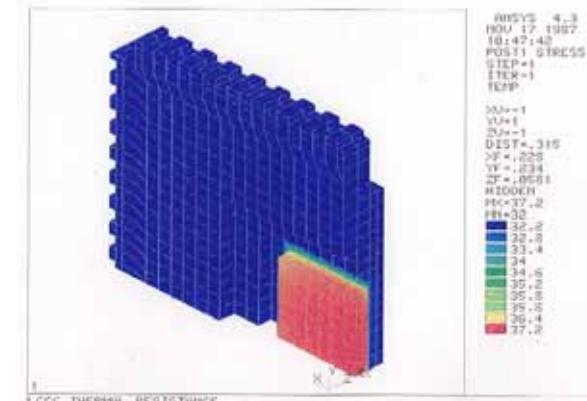
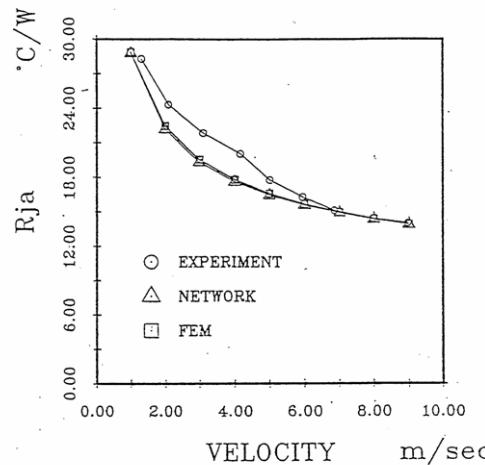
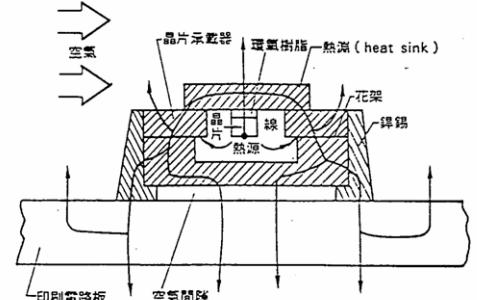
$$\left( \frac{1}{R_{12}} + \frac{1}{R_{23}} + \frac{1}{R_{24}} \right) T_2 = \frac{T_1}{R_{12}} + \frac{T_3}{R_{23}} + \frac{T_4}{R_{24}} + Q_2$$

$$T_j = \frac{\sum_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{R_{ij}} T_i + Q_j}{\sum_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{R_{ij}}}$$

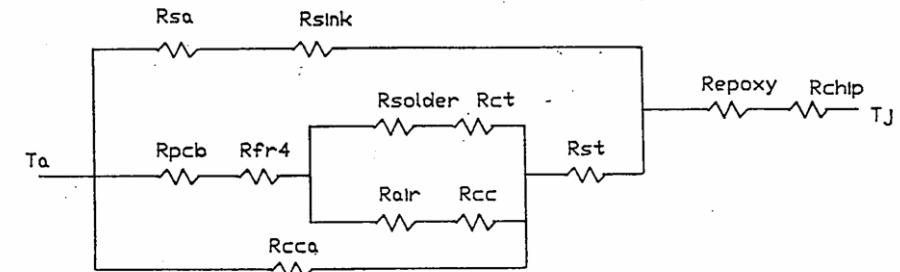


# Example of Thermal Network Method

- 68 PAD LCCC (Leadless Ceramic Chip Carrier)



FEM: Nodes:4765; Elements:3453

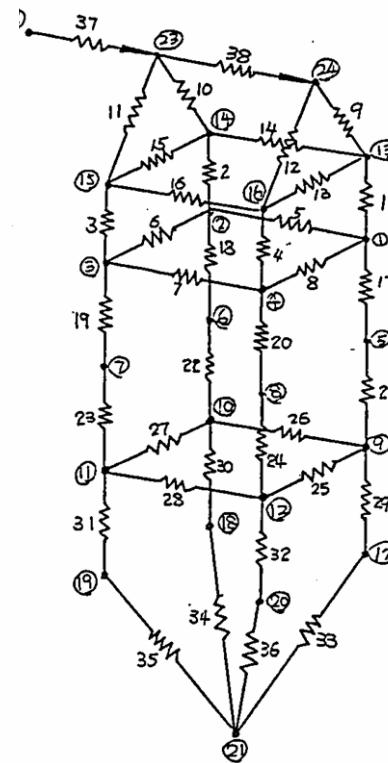
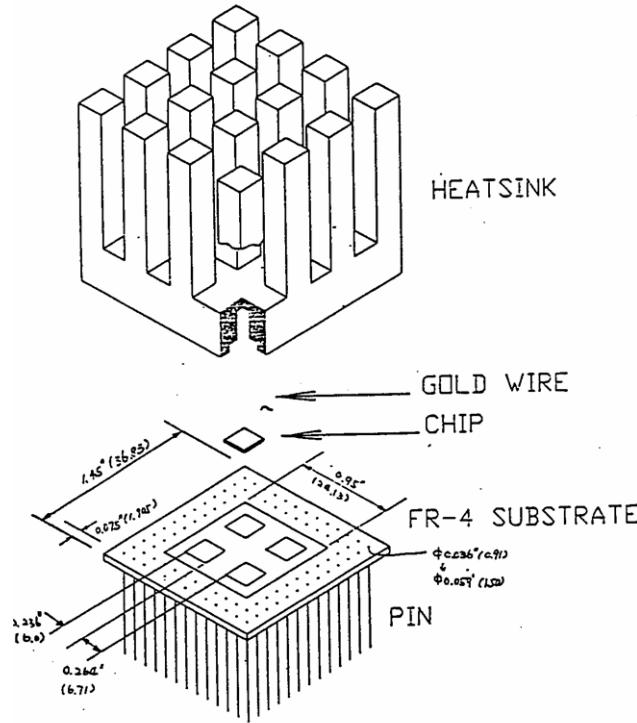


Thermal Network Method  
(Nodes: 10; Elements: 12)



# Example of Thermal Network Method

- Four Chip Module Chip Module



1~38 : Element number

① ~ ②4 : Node number

Natural convection case:  
connect elements  
9,10,11,12 to node 22,  
no elements 37,38 and  
nodes 23,24



# Example of Thermal Network Method

Forced Convection Thermal Resistance

Unit : C/W

Velocity (m/sec)	Chip 1		Chip 2		Chip 3		Chip 4		Case Temp.	
	Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.
3.82	38.77	36.49	20.80	21.98	20.65	21.59	20.86	21.98	20.37	21.37

Note : Chip 1 (0.98W) ; Ambient Temperature 18.52C

Forced Convection Thermal Resistance

Unit : C/W

Velocity (m/sec)	Chip 1		Chip 2		Chip 3		Chip 4		Case Temp.	
	Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.
6.96	41.75	41.89	44.81	40.27	45.88	41.01	47.67	42.44	24.50	23.98

Note : Chip 1 (1.02W)、Chip 2 (0.92W)、Chip 3 (0.97W)、Chip 4 (1.07W)

Ambient Temperature 19.62C

Natural Convection Thermal Resistance

Unit : C/W

Chip 1		Chip 2		Chip 3		Chip 4		Case Temp.	
Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.	Exp.	Net.
70.0	70.34	67.5	69.01	72.1	69.75	70.7	70.58	55.2	58.45

Note : Chip 1 (0.71W)、Chip 2 (0.62W)、Chip 3 (0.67W)、

Chip 4 (0.73W) ; Ambient Temperature 18.7C



# Summary

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- Keys to Success For Thermal Network Method
  - 遠觀其勢，近取其值
  - Identify correctly the major heat transfer paths
  - Identify correctly the major thermal resistances
  - Engineer's judgment
  - Key: heat spreading effect
  - It's an art!
  - Again and again

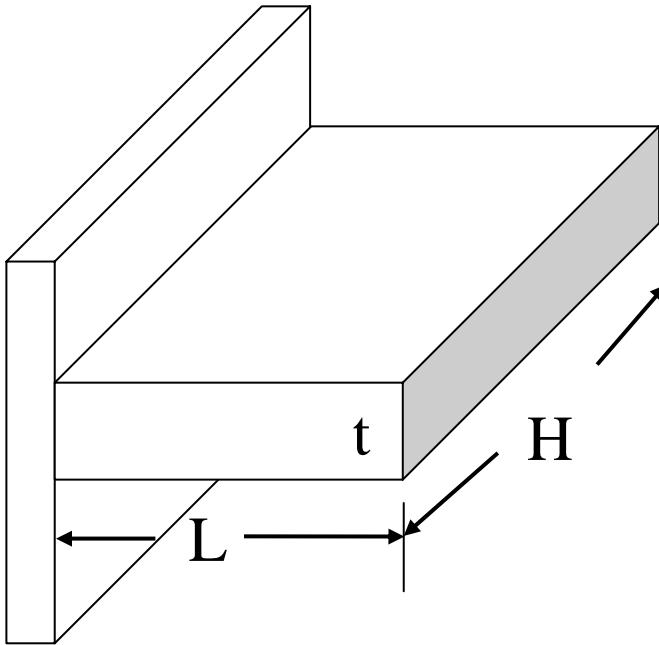


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# Thermal Analysis of Heat Sink



# Fin Efficiency (E)



$$E = \frac{\text{actual heat transfer}}{\text{heat transfer based on base temperature}}$$
$$= \frac{Q_t}{Q} = \frac{h_e A_s (T_s - T_a)}{h A_s (T_s - T_a)}$$
$$= \tanh \sqrt{R_k/R_s} / \sqrt{R_k/R_s}$$

where

$$R_k = \frac{L}{kA_k} = \frac{L}{kHt} \quad R_s = \frac{1}{hA_s} = \frac{1}{hHL}$$

$h$ : average heat transfer coefficient

$h_e$ : effective heat transfer coefficient

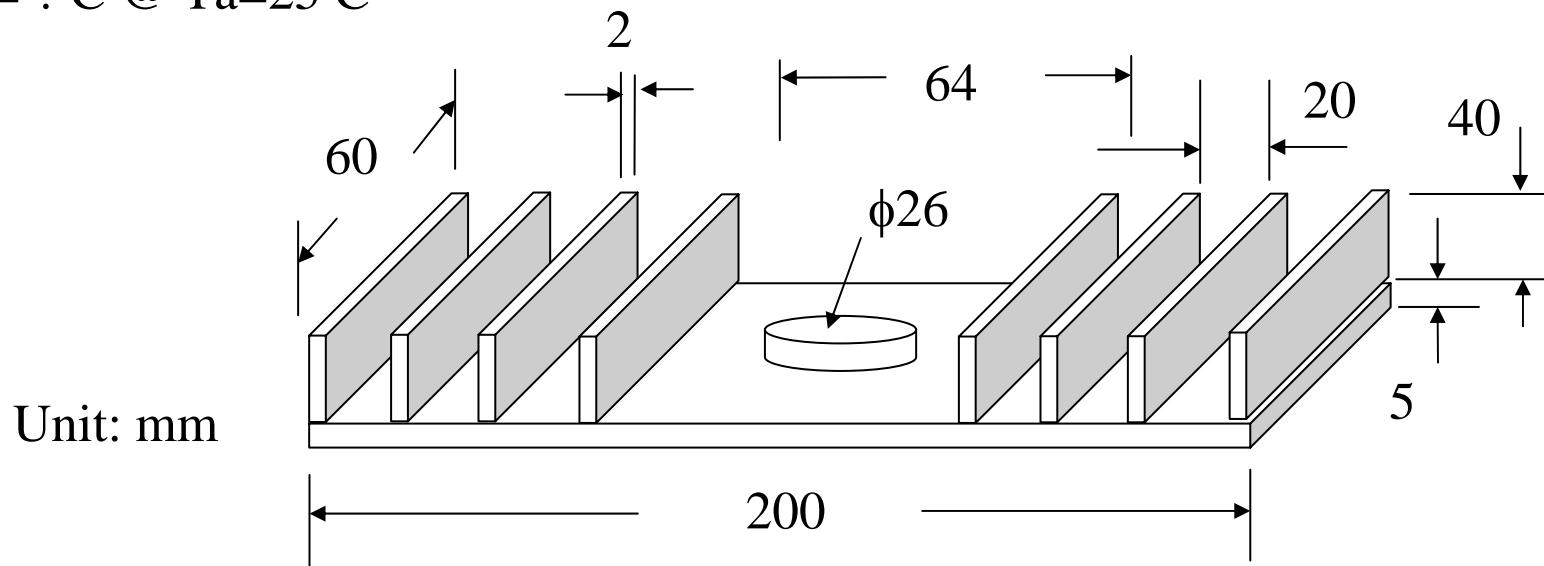
$T_s$ : fin base temperature

$T_a$ : ambient temperature



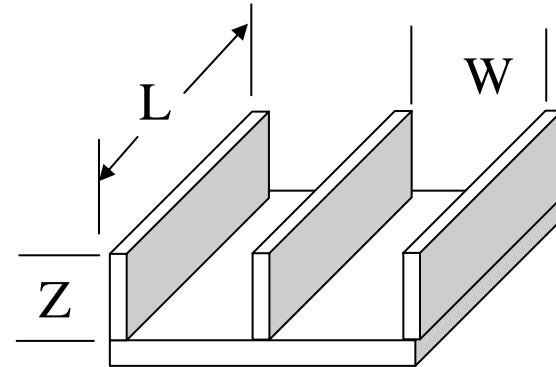
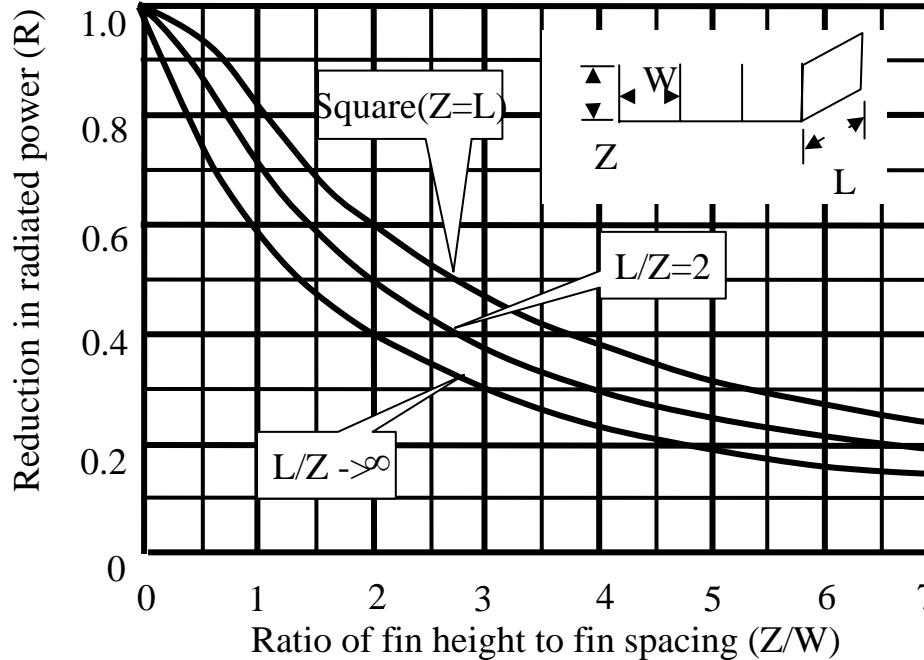
# Example

- TO-3: junction - to - heat sink surface temperature difference = 60.3 C
- Power dissipation = 25 W
- Anodized heat sink
- Natural Convection
- $T_j = ? \text{ C} @ T_a=25 \text{ C}$





# Effective Radiation Area

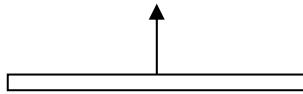


$$\text{Radiation Area } S_r = 327 \text{ cm}^2$$

Number of Surface	$L/Z$	$Z/W$	Surface Area ( $\text{cm}^2$ )	$f$	Effective Surface ( $\text{cm}^2$ )
2	-	-	$2(4.5*6)=54$	-	54
6	1.5	2	$6(4+4+2)*6=360$	0.55	198
1	1.5	0.63	$(6.4+4+4)*6=86.4$	0.87	75
			500		327

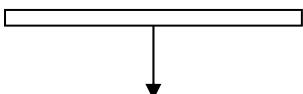


# Calculation of Natural Convection



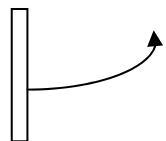
$$A_1 = 20 * 6 = 120 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} h_1 &= 0.0022(\Delta T/P)^{0.25} \text{ W/in}^2\text{C} \\ P &= 20 * 6 / 2(20+6) = 2.308 \text{ cm} = 0.91 \text{ in} \\ h_1 &= 2.2533 * 10^{-3} * \Delta T^{0.25} \text{ W/in}^2\text{C} \\ &= 3.493 * 10^{-4} * \Delta T^{0.25} \text{ W/cm}^2\text{C} \end{aligned}$$



$$A_2 = 20 * 6 = 120 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} h_2 &= 0.0011(\Delta T/P)^{0.25} \text{ W/in}^2\text{C} \\ P &= 20 * 6 / 2(20+6) = 2.308 \text{ cm} = 0.91 \text{ in} \\ h_2 &= 1.1262 * 10^{-3} * \Delta T^{0.25} \text{ W/in}^2\text{C} \\ &= 1.7457 * 10^{-4} * \Delta T^{0.25} \text{ W/cm}^2\text{C} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} A_3 &= 2 * (4.5 * 6) + 14 * (4 * 6) \\ &= 390 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h_3 &= 0.0024(\Delta T/P)^{0.25} \text{ W/in}^2\text{C} \\ P &= 4 \text{ cm} = 1.575 \text{ in} \\ h_3 &= 2.142 * 10^{-3} * \Delta T^{0.25} \text{ W/in}^2\text{C} \\ &= 3.320 * 10^{-4} * \Delta T^{0.25} \text{ W/cm}^2\text{C} \end{aligned}$$



# Power Dissipation Calculation

- Radiation: Anodized:  $\varepsilon=0.8$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_r &= \varepsilon \sigma S_r (T_s^4 - T_a^4) \\ &= 5.673 \times 10^{-12} \times 0.8 \times 327 \times [(T_s + 273)^4 - (25 + 273)^4] \\ &= 1.484 \times 10^{-9} \times [(T_s + 273)^4 - 298^4] \quad (\text{W}) \end{aligned}$$

- Natural Convection

$$\begin{aligned} Q_c &= h_1 A_1 \Delta T + h_2 A_2 \Delta T + h_3 A_3 \Delta T \\ &= 0.0419 \Delta T^{1.25} + 0.0209 \Delta T^{1.25} + 0.1295 \Delta T^{1.25} \\ &= 0.1923 \Delta T^{1.25} = 0.1923 (T_s - 25)^{1.25} \quad (\text{W}) \end{aligned}$$

- Total Heat Dissipation  $Q = Q_c + Q_r$



# Power Dissipation Calculation

- Assume 1/2 - 1/2 heat dissipation

$$\frac{25}{2} = 0.1923(T_s - 25)^{1.25} = 0.1923\Delta T^{1.25}$$

$$\Delta T = [(25/2)/0.1923]^{0.8} = 28.21 \text{ C}$$

$$T_s = \Delta T + 25 = 53.21 \text{ C}$$

*Nonlinear Problem!  
Iteration!*

- Calculate radiation heat dissipation

$$Q_r = 1.489 \times 10^{-9} [(T_s + 273)^4 - 298^4] \\ = 5.1 \text{ W}$$

- Calculate residue heat dissipation

$$Q^* = 25 - 25/2 - 5.1 = 7.4 \text{ W}$$



# Power Dissipation Calculation

- Assume 2/3 - 1/3 heat dissipation

$$Q_c = 25/2 + 7.4 \times 2/3 = 17.4 \text{ W}$$

$$17.4 = 0.1923(T_s - 25)^{1.25} = 0.1923\Delta T^{1.25}$$

$$\Delta T = 36.81 \text{ C}$$

$$T_s = \Delta T + 25 = 61.81 \text{ C}$$

- Calculate radiation heat dissipation

$$Q_r = 1.489 \times 10^{-9} [(T_s + 273)^4 - 298^4] \\ = 6.94 \text{ W}$$

- Calculate residue heat dissipation

$$Q^* = 25 - 17.4 - 6.94 = 0.66 \text{ W}$$



# Power Dissipation Calculation

- Assume 2/3 - 1/3 heat dissipation

$$Q_c = 17.4 + 0.66 \times 2/3 = 17.84 \text{ W}$$

$$17.84 = 0.1923(T_s - 25)^{1.25} = 0.1923\Delta T^{1.25}$$

$$\Delta T = 37.49 \text{ C}$$

$$T_s = \Delta T + 25 = 62.49 \text{ C}$$

- Calculate radiation heat dissipation

$$Q_r = 1.489 \times 10^{-9} \left[ (T_s + 273)^4 - 298^4 \right] \\ = 7.1 \text{ W}$$

- Calculate residue heat dissipation

*Convergence!*

$$Q^* = 25 - 17.84 - 7.1 = 0.06 \text{ W} \Rightarrow Q_t = 25 - 0.06 = 24.94 \text{ W}$$



# Temperature Calculation

## •Fin Efficiency

$$E = \tanh \sqrt{R_k/R_s} / \sqrt{R_k/R_s}$$

$$R_k = \frac{4}{2.165 \times (0.2 \times 6)} = 1.54 \text{ C/W}$$

$$R_s = \Delta T / Q_t = 37.49 / 24.94 = 1.50 \text{ C/W} \quad \text{for entire surface}$$

$$R_s = 1.5 \times 8 = 12 \text{ C/W} \quad \text{for entire surface}$$

$$E = \tanh \sqrt{R_k/R_s} / \sqrt{R_k/R_s} = 0.96 = 96\%$$

$$\Delta T_t = \Delta T / E = 37.49 / 0.96 = 39.05 \text{ C}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_j &= T_a + \Delta T_t + \Delta T_{js} = 25 + 39.05 + 60.3 \\ &= 124.35 \text{ C} \end{aligned}$$



# Summary

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- Co-existing for natural convection and radiation
- Radiation almost occupies 1/3 !
- Equivalent heat transfer coefficient  $h=h_c+h_r$  should be used in the calculation
- 1/3-2/3 method is introduced to have the equivalent heat transfer coefficient quickly



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# Measurement of Thermal Resistance



# Standards for Thermal Resistance Measurement

- Major Standards
  - MIL-STD-833C-METHOD 1012.1 THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS*
  - SEMI G38-96 : TEST METHOD FOR STILL- AND FORCED-AIR JUNCTION-TO-AMBIENT THERMAL RESISTANCE MEASUREMENTS OF INTEGRATED CIRCUIT PACKAGES*
  - SEMI G42-96 : SPECIFICATION FOR THERMAL TEST BOARD STANDARIZATION FOR MEASURING JUNCTION-TO-AMBIENT THERMAL RESISTANCE OF SEMICONDUCTOR PACKAGES*
  - EIAJ/JEDEC EIA/JESD51-1 : INTEGRATED CIRCUIT THERMAL MEASUREMENT METHOD-ELECTRICAL TEST METHOD (SINGLE SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)*
  - EIAJ/JEDEC EIA/JESD51-2 : INTEGRATED CIRCUIT THERMAL TEST METHOD ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS-NATURAL CONVECTION (STILL AIR)*



# Equipment Requirements

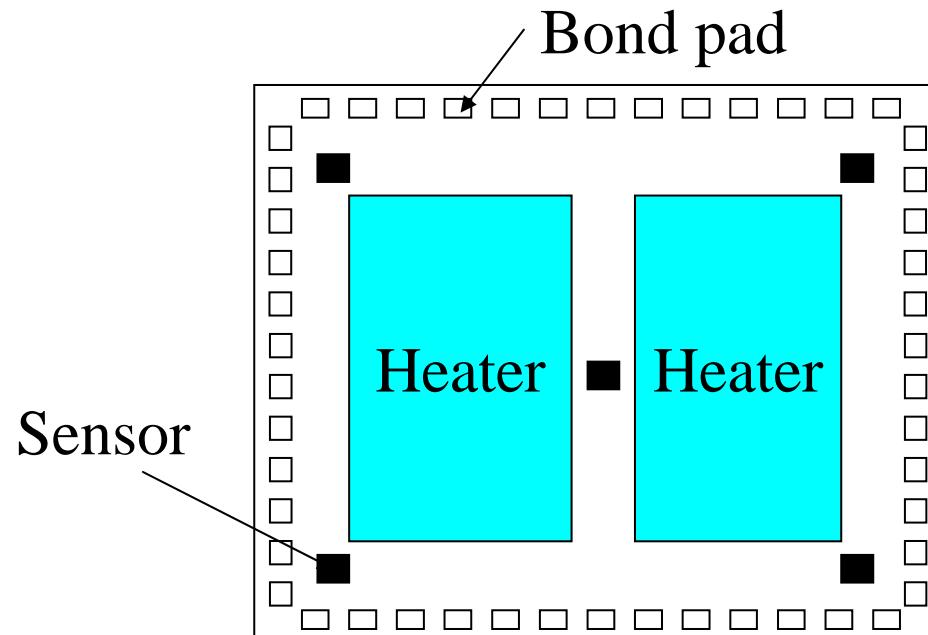
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- Thermocouple: type-T; welded, AWG 30 or above
- Voltage measurement resolution: 0.5 mV
- Temperature measurement system resolution:  $\pm 0.5 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Volume flow rate:  $\pm 10 \text{ \%}$
- Wire: AWG 36
- Standard test board: G42-96



# Design of Thermal Chip

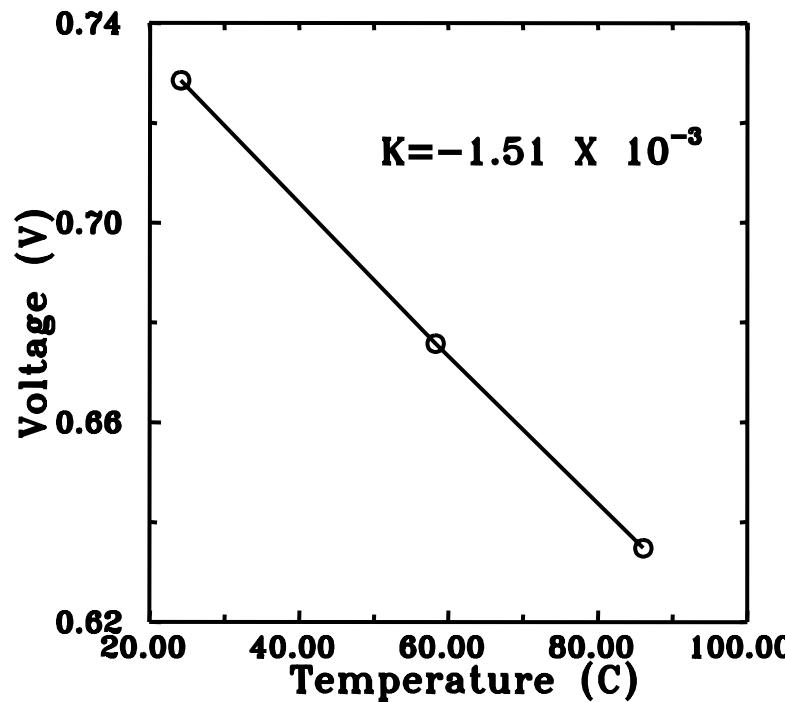
- Basic elements:
  - Diode sensor
  - Heater





# Fundamental Theory

- Temperature sensitive parameter (TSP)



$$K = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta T}$$



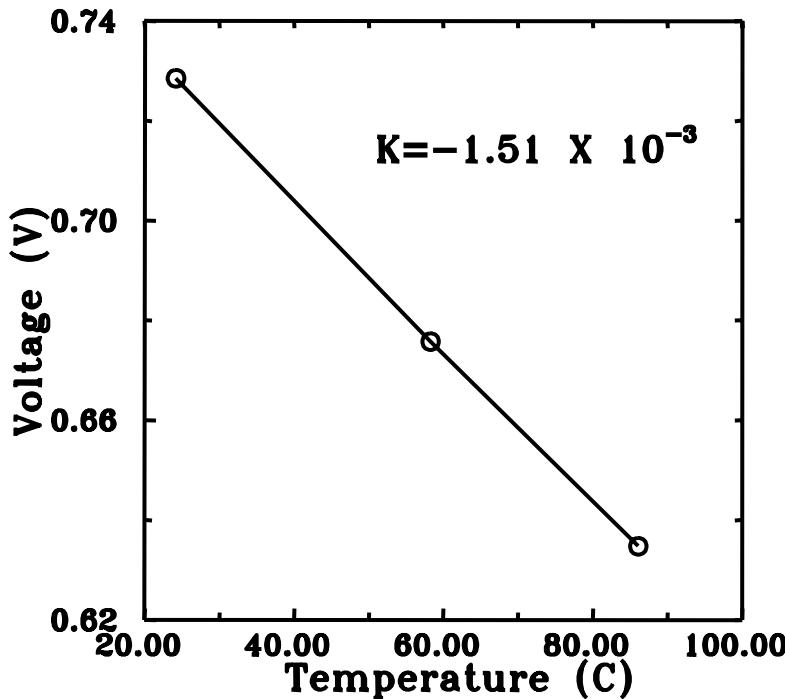
# Procedures of Measurement

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- Calibration of TSP
  - Objective: To obtain the TSP of sensors
- Measurement under heating
  - Objective: To obtain the packaging thermal resistance
  - Forced convection
  - Natural convection



# Calibration of TSP



- TSP calibration
  - HEAT chamber : oven, or fluid bath
  - Measuring current: 0.05~5 mA (1mA)
  - Three points required
  - Calculating TSP



# Measurement: Natural Convection

- Objective: to investigate the relationship between thermal resistance and power dissipation
- Enclosure: 1.0 x 1.0 x 1.0 feet
- High reflectance finish: emissivity < 0.1
- $\Delta T > 20 \text{ C}$
- Room temperature measurement ( $T_a, V_a$ ) 及 heating measurement ( $T_j, V_j, P_j$ )

$$T_j = T_a + (V_j - V_a) / K$$

$$R_{ja} = (T_j - T_a) / P_j$$

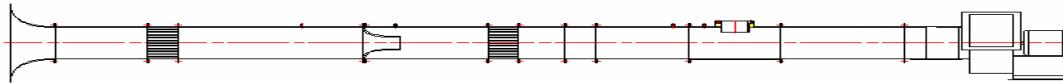


# Measurement: Forced Convection

- Objective: To obtain the relationship between thermal resistance and flow velocity
- Wind Tunnel: inner diameter 8 inch
- $\Delta T > 20 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Room temperature measurement ( $T_a, V_a$ ) 及 heating measurement ( $T_j, V_j, P_j$ )

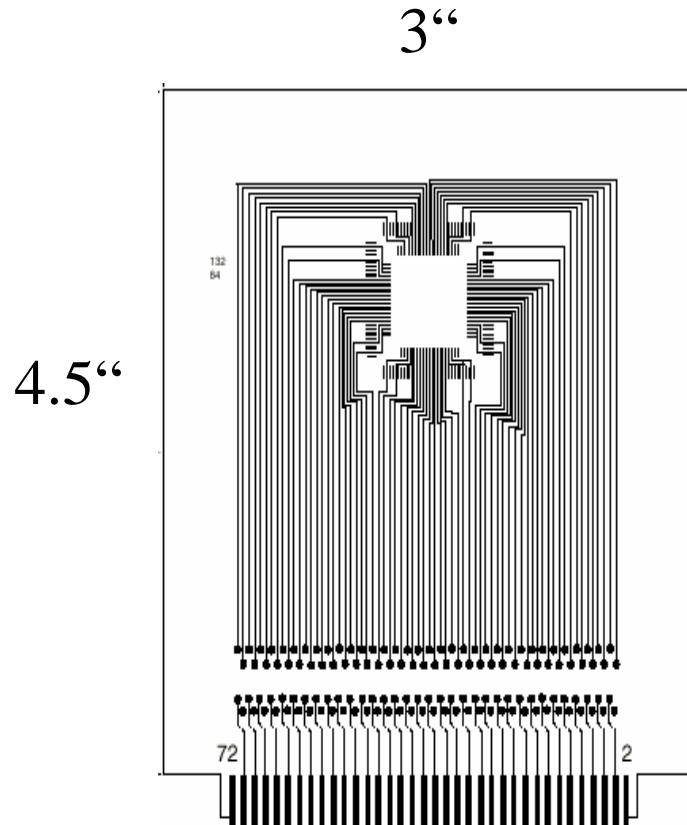
$$T_j = T_a + (V_j - V_a) / K$$

$$R_{ja} = (T_j - T_a) / P_j$$





# SEMI Standard Test Board



- 3 inch x 4.5 inch
- Double / Multi-layer FR-4 board



# Summary

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- TSP is the most important parameter for thermal resistance measurement of IC packaging
- Standards of thermal characterization are introduced



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# Thermal Performance of PBGA



# Thermal Resistance

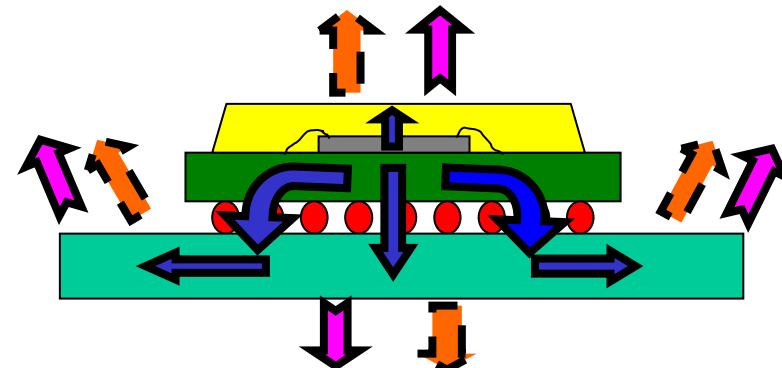
- Total thermal resistance  $R_{ja}$  : die junction - to - ambient
- Internal thermal resistance  $R_{jc}$  : die junction - to - case
- External thermal resistance  $R_{ca}$  : case - to - ambient

$$R_{ja} = R_{jc} + R_{ca}$$

$$R_{ja} = (T_j - T_a)/Q$$

$$R_{jc} = (T_j - T_c)/Q$$

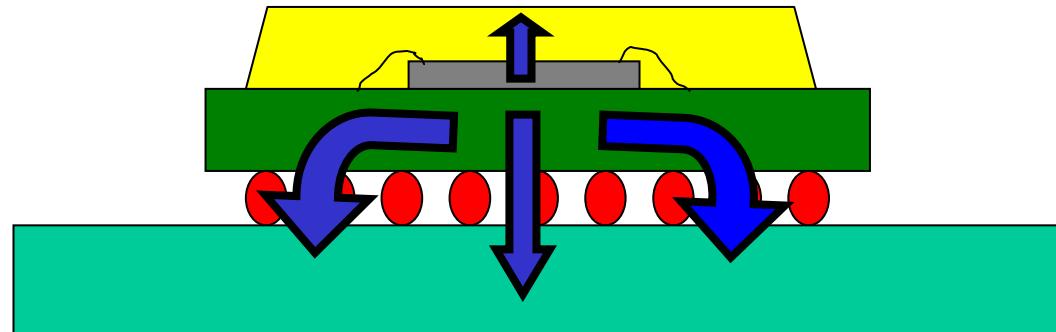
$$R_{ca} = (T_c - T_a)/Q$$





# Internal Thermal Resistance

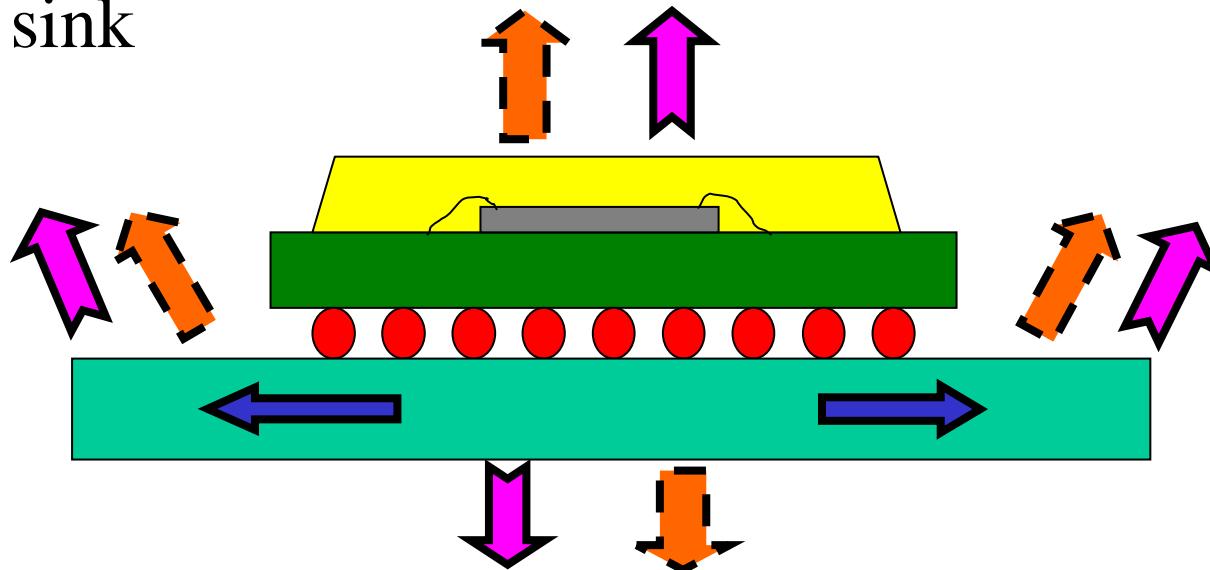
- Major parameters for  $R_{jc}$ 
  - Molding compound
  - ✓ Substrate
  - ✓ Ground plane
  - Die size
  - ✓ Thermal ball
  - ✓ Thermal via
  - ✓ Heat spreader / heat slug





# External Thermal Resistance

- Major parameters of  $R_{ca}$ 
  - PCB
  - Air velocity
  - Heat sink

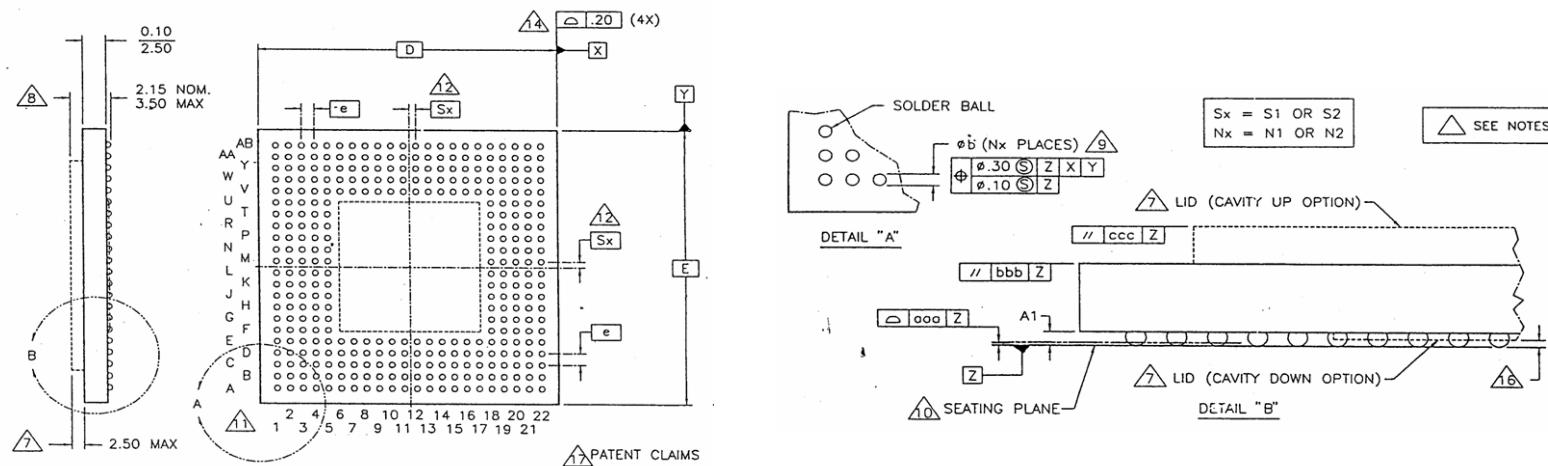




# Thermal Analysis of PBGA

- Example: PBGA352

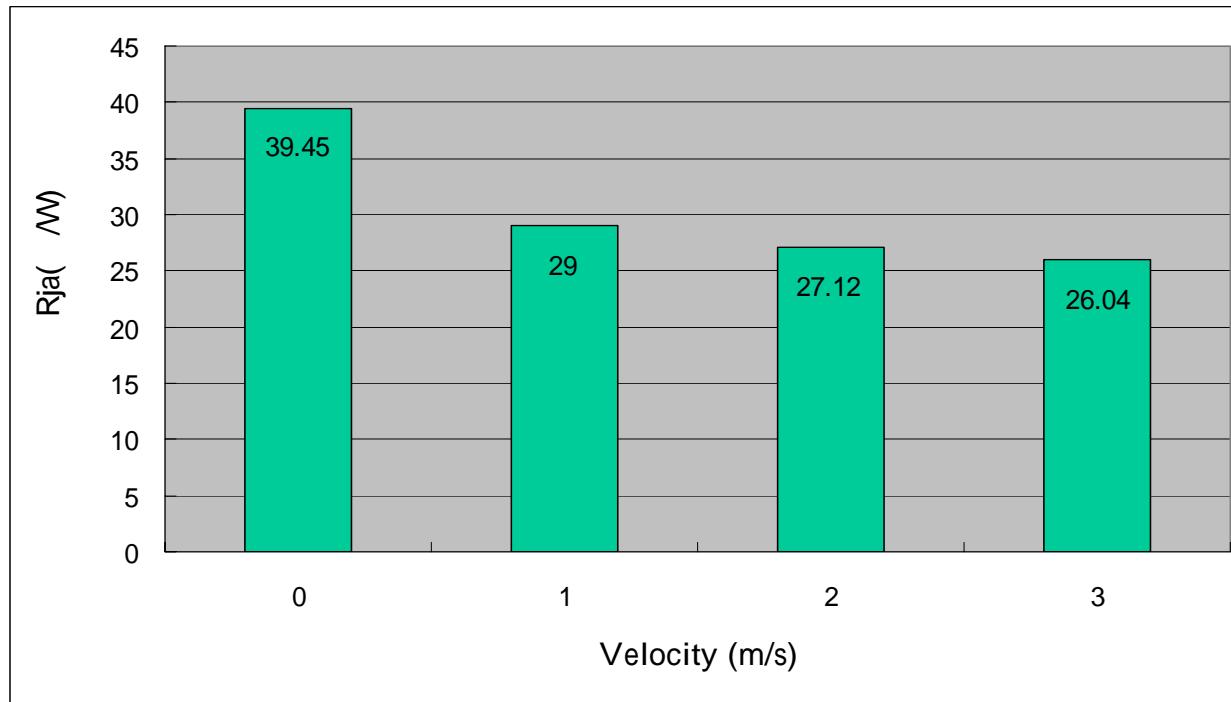
Base Condition: 2 layers BT substrate, 4 layers PCB, ground plane, 17 thermal vias, no thermal ball, natural convection, 1.5W





# Simulation Tool

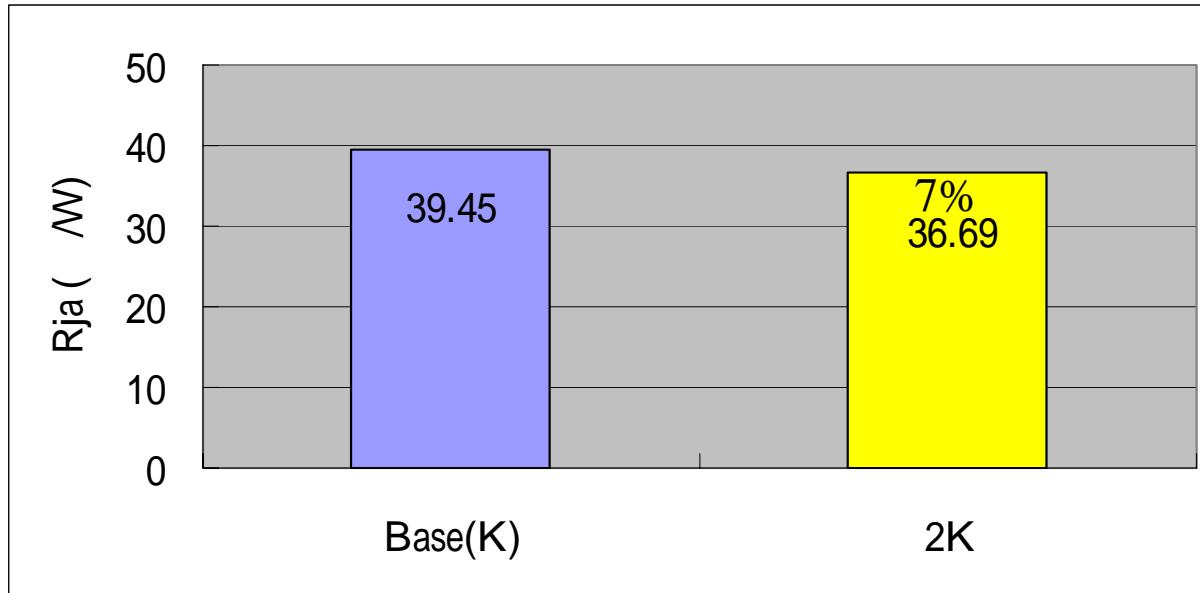
- Tool: ThermoPKG for Windows NT & 95 Version 3.0B  
(developed by ERSO/ITRI)





# The Effects of Substrate

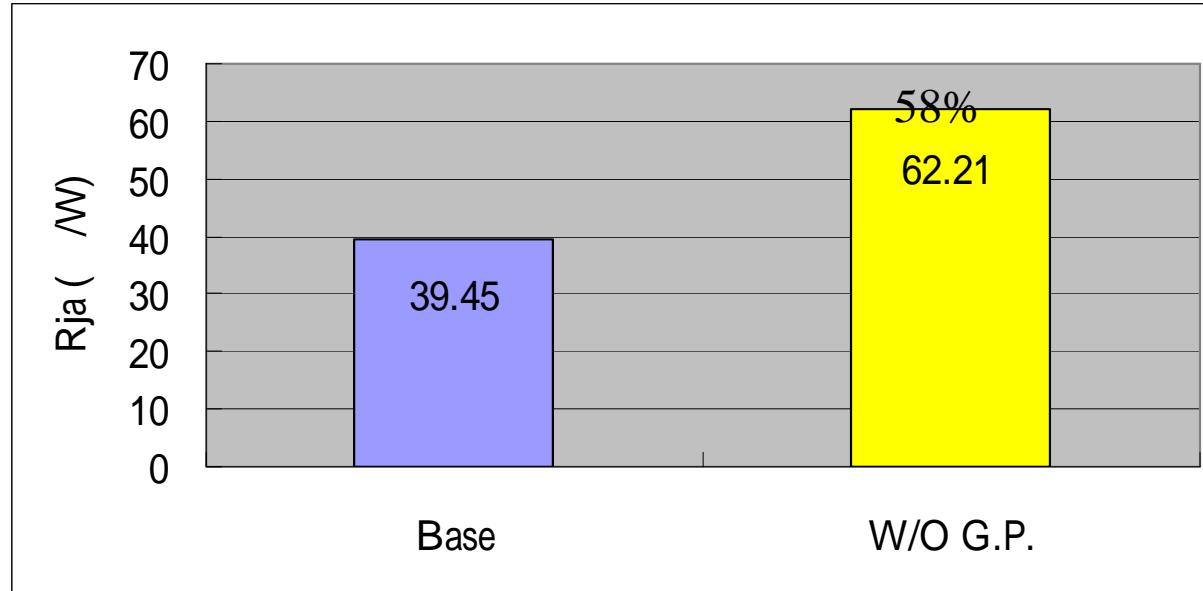
- Substrate





# The Effects of Ground Plane

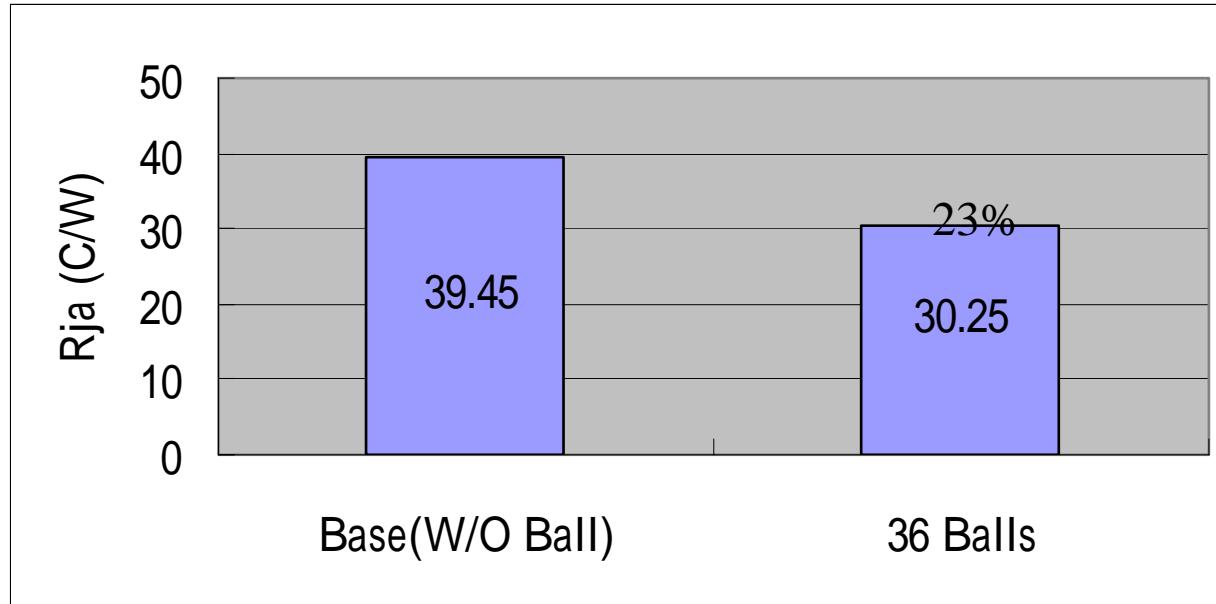
- Ground plane





# The Effects of Thermal Ball

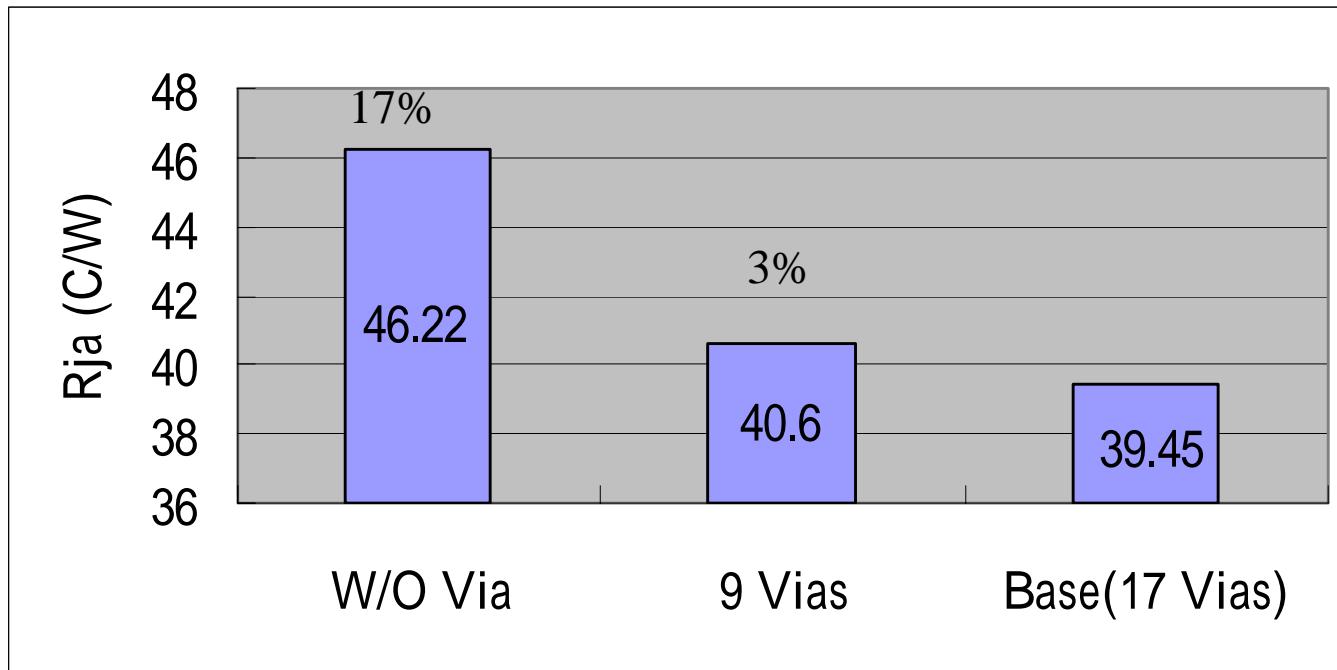
- Thermal ball





# The Effects of Thermal Via

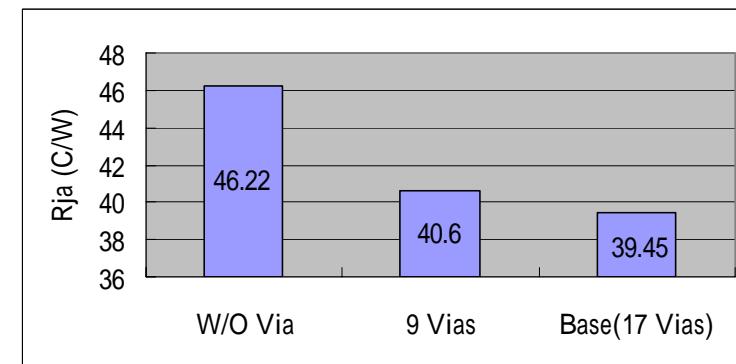
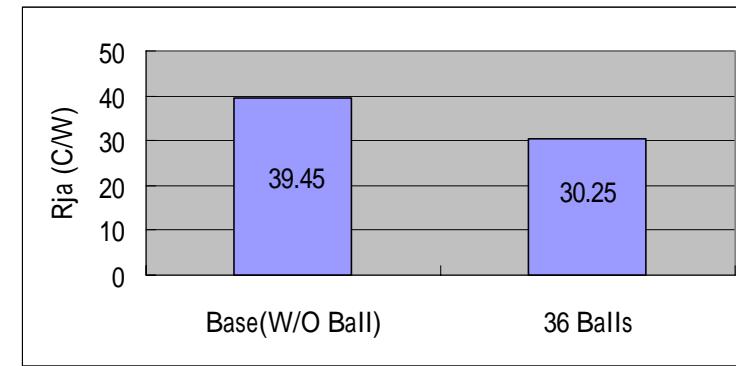
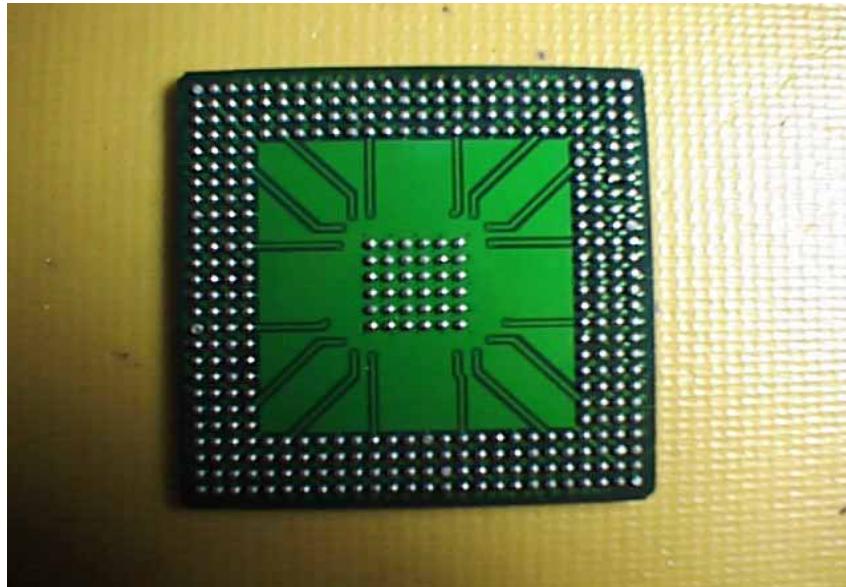
- Thermal via





# Enhancement of Thermal Performance

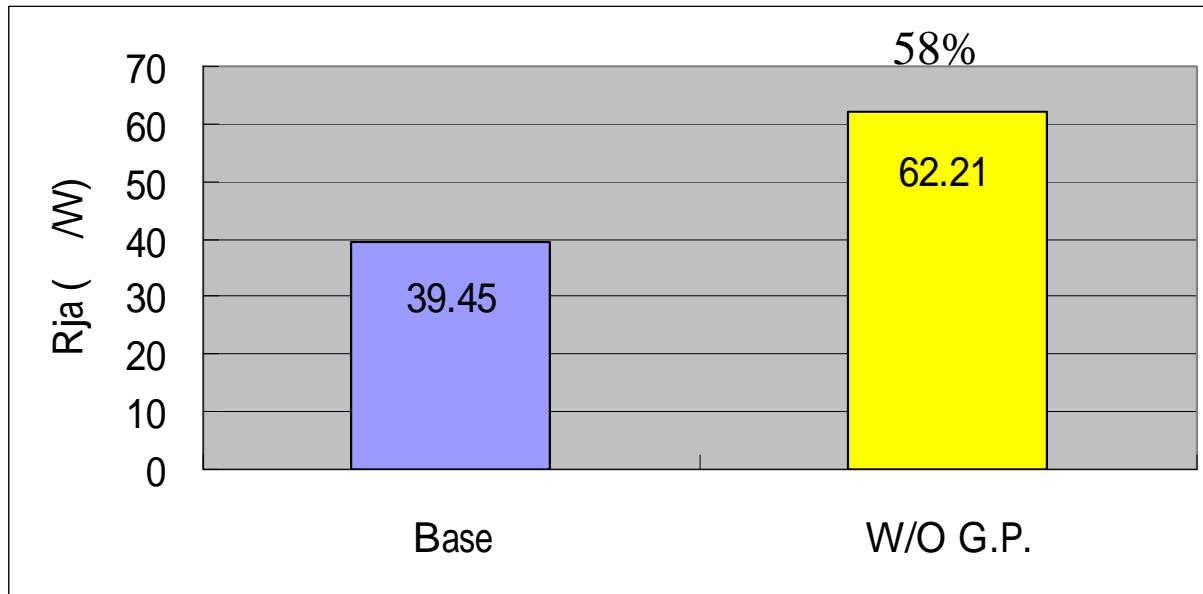
- Method 1 : Thermal Ball / Thermal Via
  - Reduce  $R_{ja}$  about 35% 及 15%





# Enhancement of Thermal Performance

- Method 2: Ground Plane

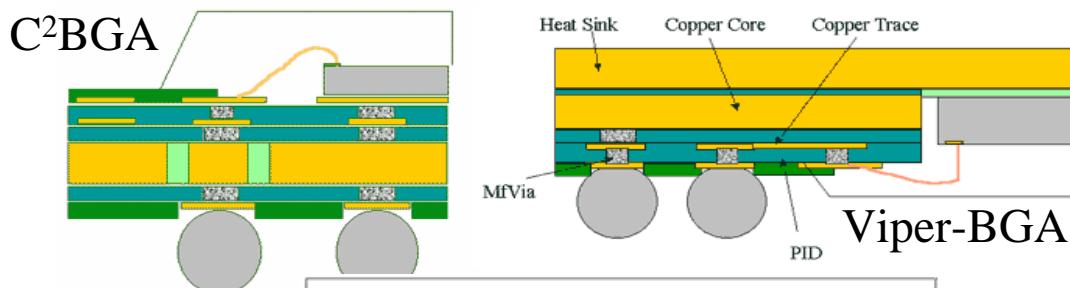


Base Condition: PBGA352, 2 layers BT substrate, 4 layers PCB, ground plane, 17 thermal vias, no thermal ball, natural convection, 1.5W

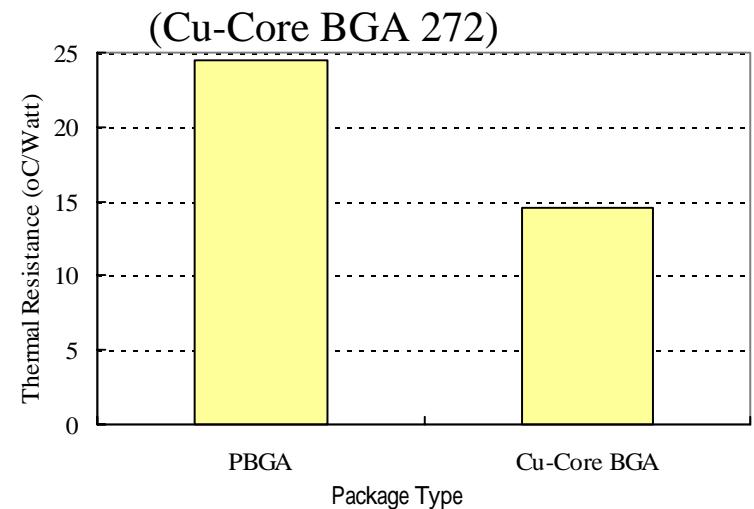
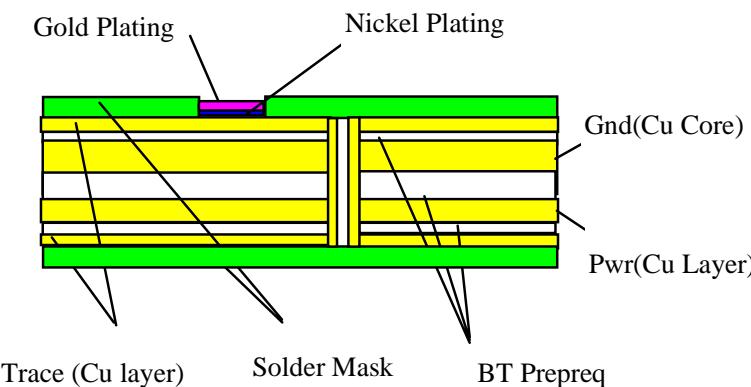
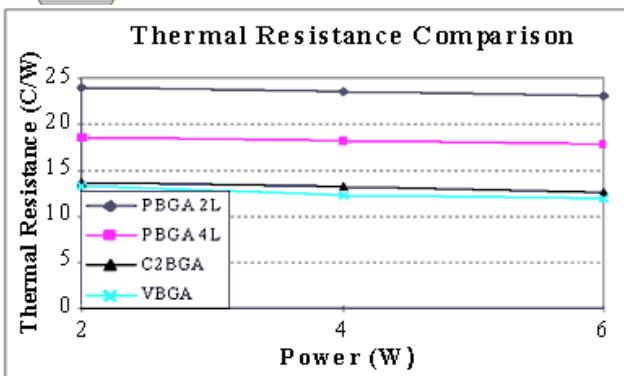


# Enhancement of Thermal Performance

- Method 3 : Multilayer Substrate
  - Substrate with metal planes / copper core
  - Reduce  $R_{ja}$  about 35%~40%



Source:  
Prolinx Labs

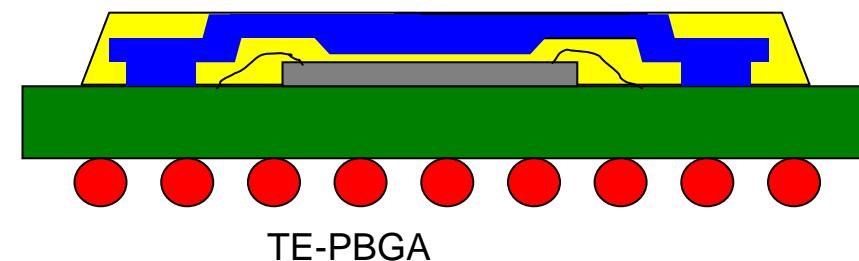
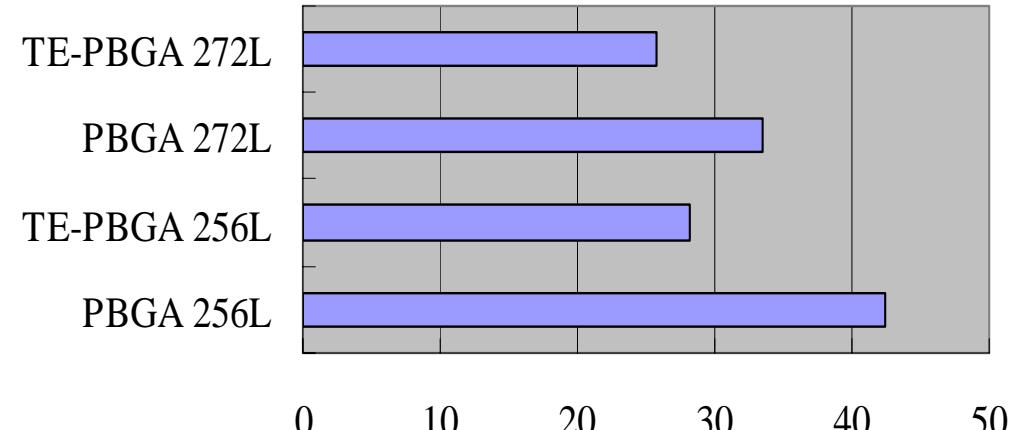
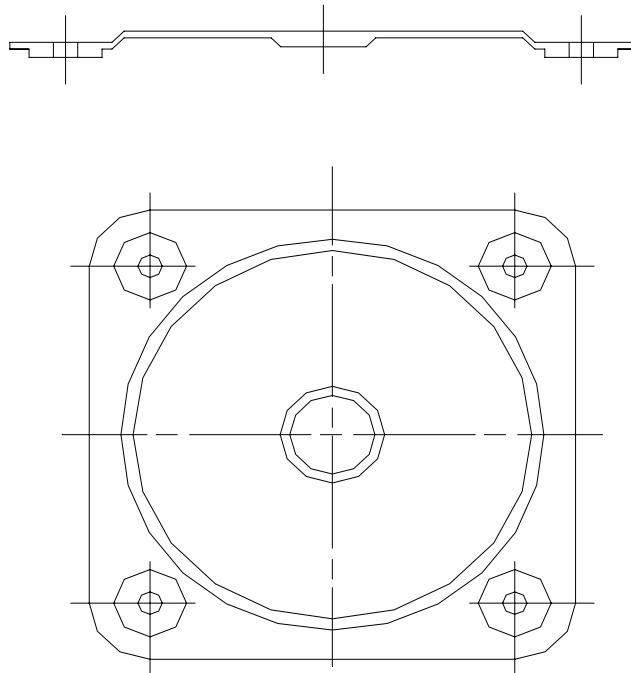


Source: T. Tang, Advanced IC Packaging, 1998



# Enhancement of Thermal Performance

- Method 4 : Heat Spreader/Heat Slug





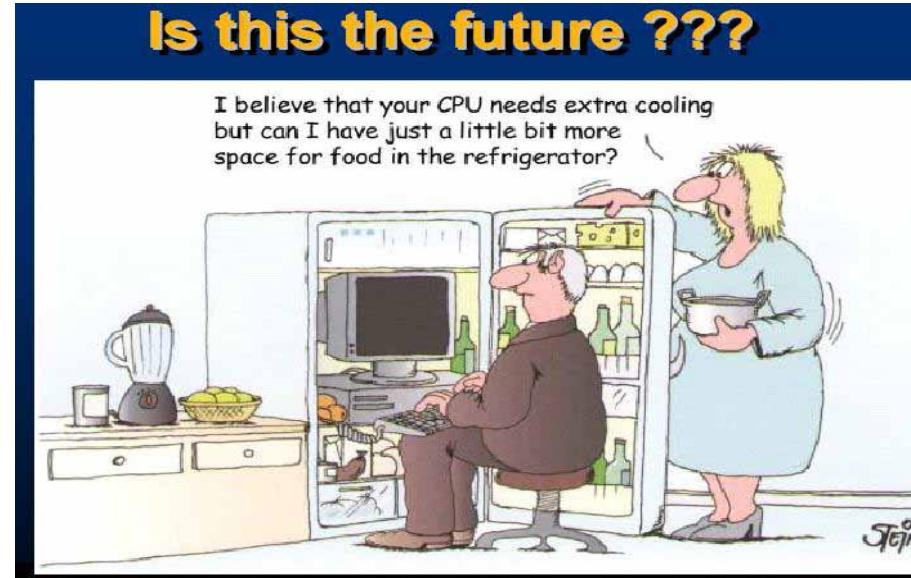
# Summary

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- Major parameters of internal thermal resistance are introduced
- Four methods of thermal enhancement for PBGA are introduced

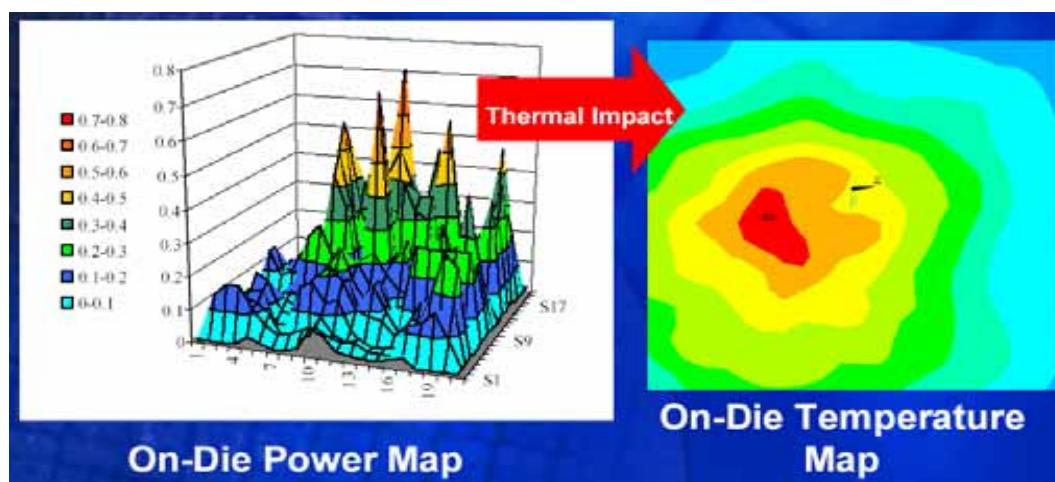
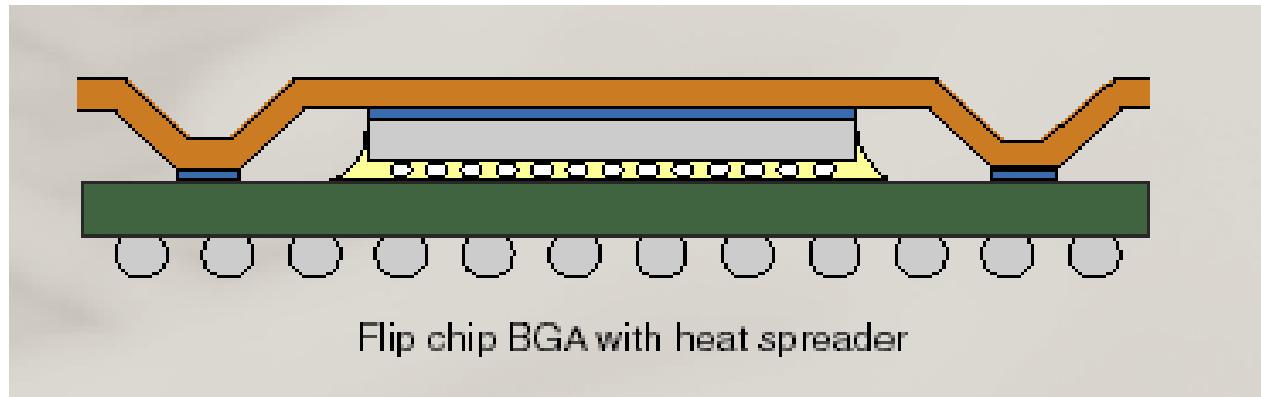


# The Future





# Integrated Heat Spreader

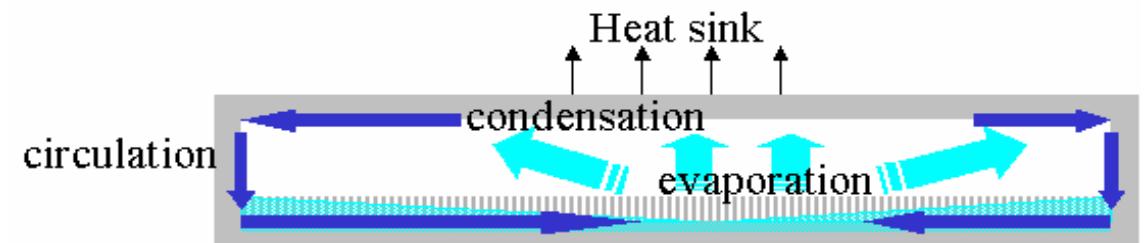
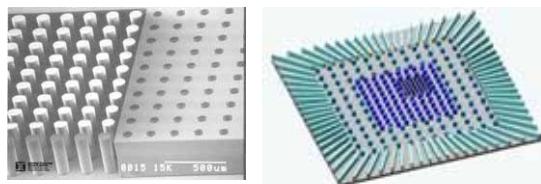
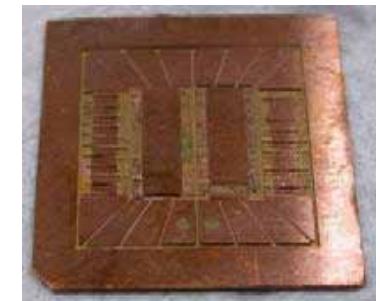
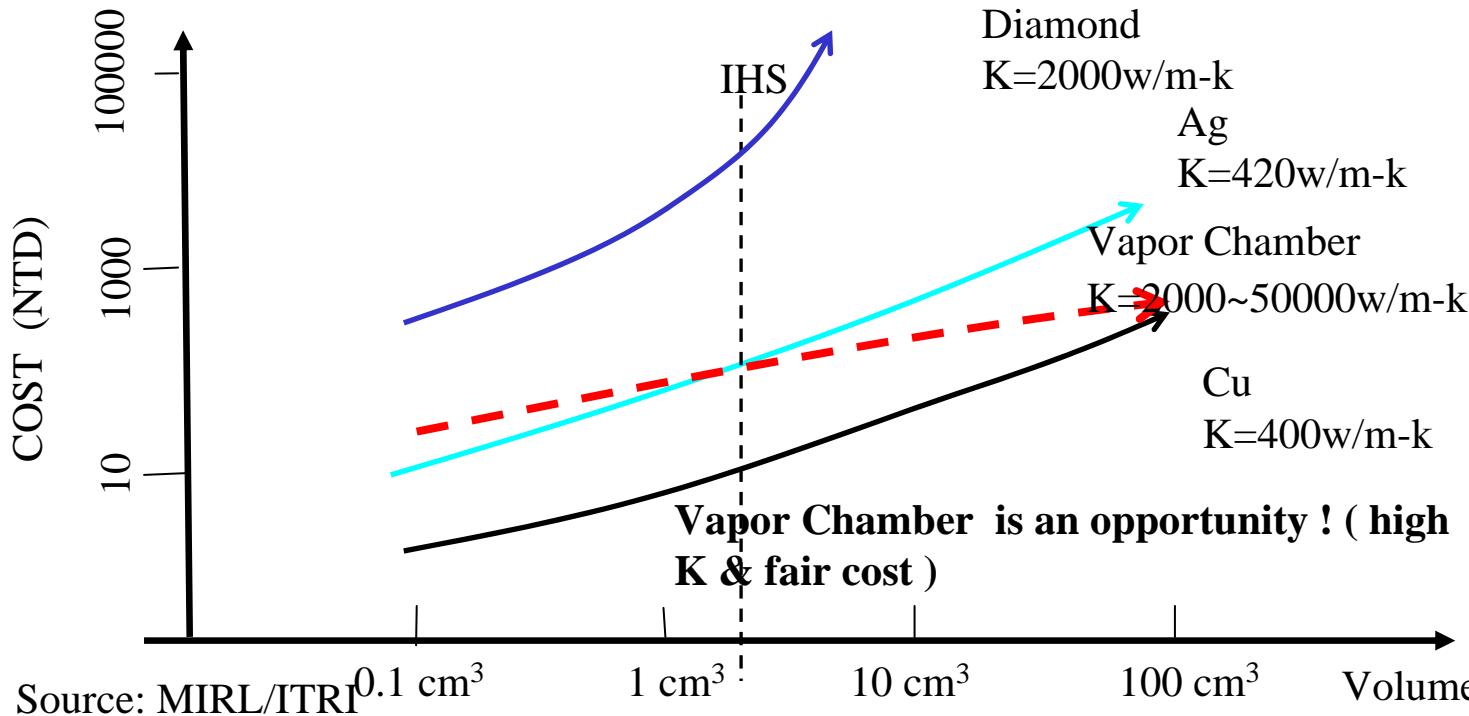


P4 with Integrated Heat Spreader (IHS)

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# Candidates of Future IHS



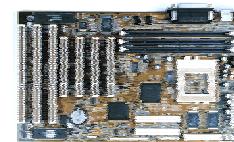


# Conclusions



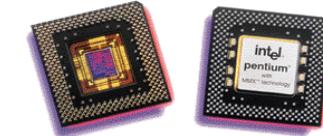
## System Level

- FRAME, SHELF & PCB PHYSICAL/THERMAL PROPERTIES
- PCB POWER LEVELS
- FAN DATA
- FRAME AMBIENT



## Board Level

- CHANNEL, BOARD & COMPONENT PHYSICAL/THERMAL PROPERTIES
- COMPONENT POWER LEVELS
- CHANNEL THERMAL & FLOW AMBIENT

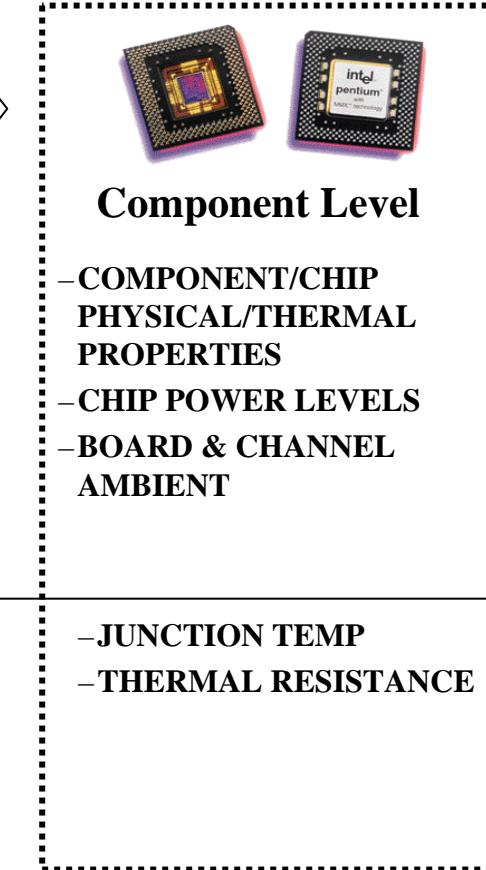
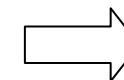


## Component Level

- COMPONENT/CHIP PHYSICAL/THERMAL PROPERTIES
- CHIP POWER LEVELS
- BOARD & CHANNEL AMBIENT

INPUT DATA

OUTPUT DATA





# Conclusion

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- No one believes an analysis, except the one who made it
- Everyone believes an experiment, except the one who made it
- How about you?