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WLCSP xWave for high frequency wafer probe applications part 2



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Overview

- **Objectives / Goals – Move from package test to wafer test**
- **Methods / Materials / Procedures – design considerations, mechanical simulation, electrical simulation, characterization**
- **Results / Relevant Findings / Key Data – tip design, force, insertion loss, impedance**
- **Customer Results/Feedback – Initial DC and RF test results**
- **Summary / Conclusion - viable cmWave and mmWave wafer level test solution**
- **Follow-On Work – Beta sites feedback**

xWave Platform for mmWave Package Test

- **Signal Integrity**

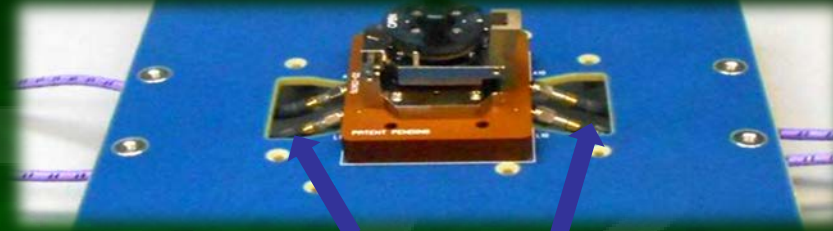
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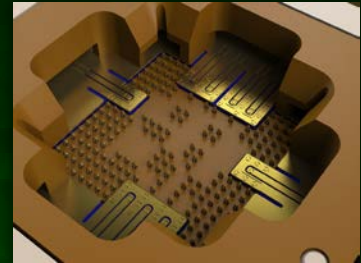
- Includes RF Path from Tester to DUT
- Pogo pins for Power and control signals

- **Production Package Test Solution**

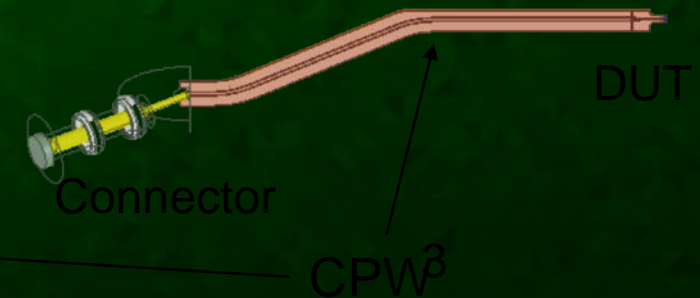
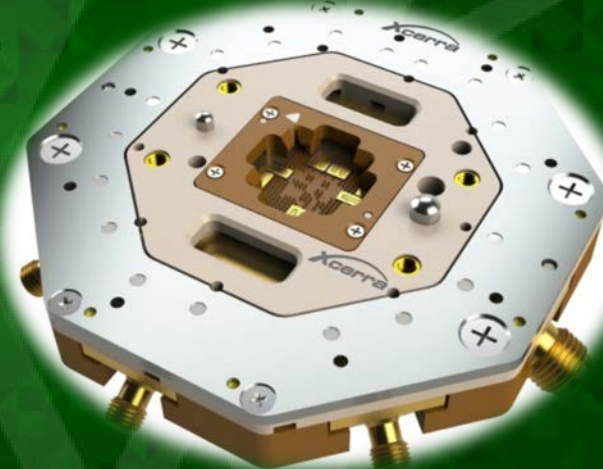
- Robust Leadframe lasts Millions of cycles
- Mechanical assembly fully field maintainable
- Includes calibration kit (s-parameters)
- CTE matched materials for Tri Temp testing (-55 to 155°C)



Holes in PCB for cable connections



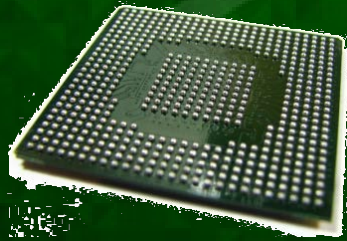
DUT Pocket



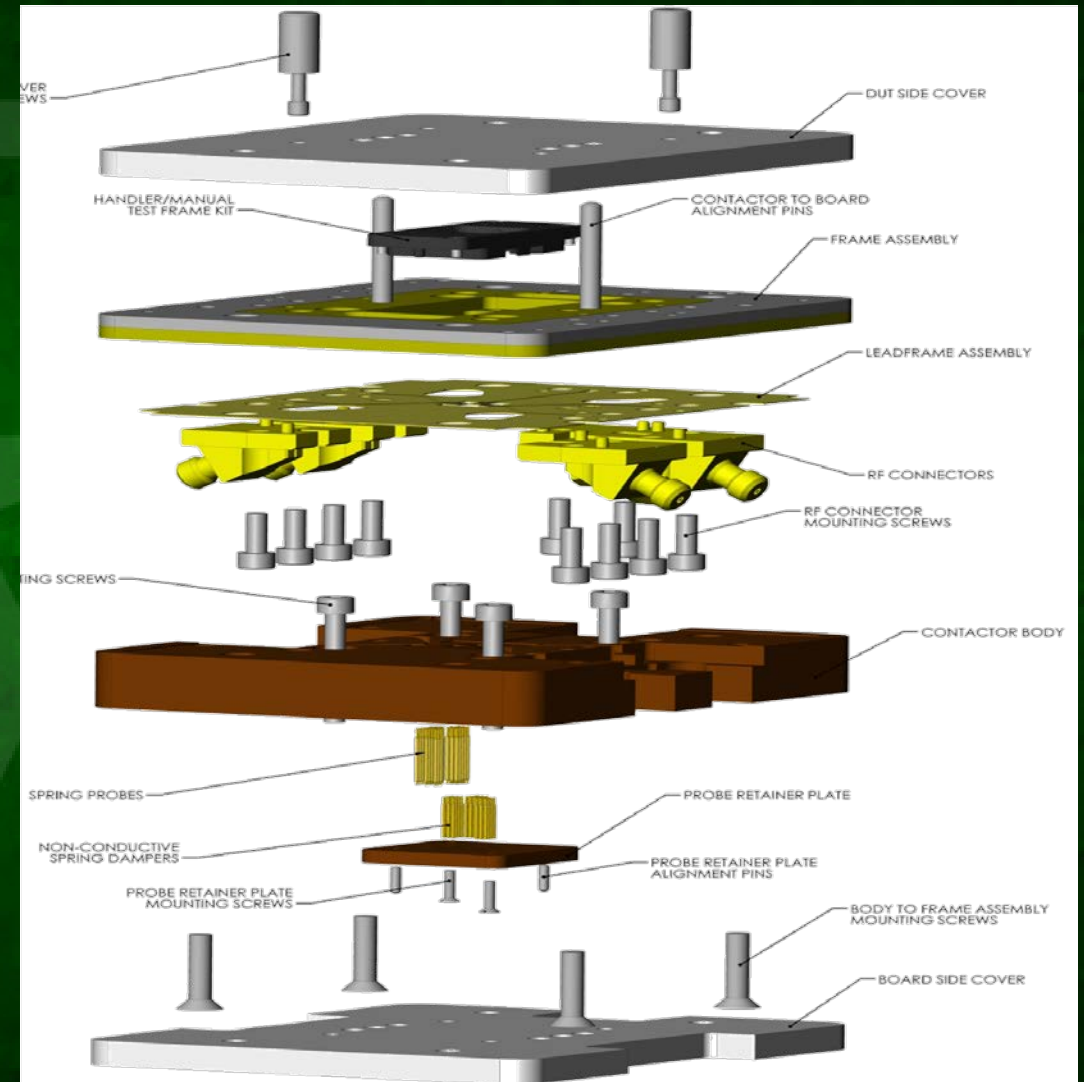
xWave Limitations for Wafer Test

- **Frame limits xWave solution to Package test**

- Leadframe sandwiched between top frame and connectors
- Top frame violates wafer infinite plane
- Flat leadframe shorts adjacent sites

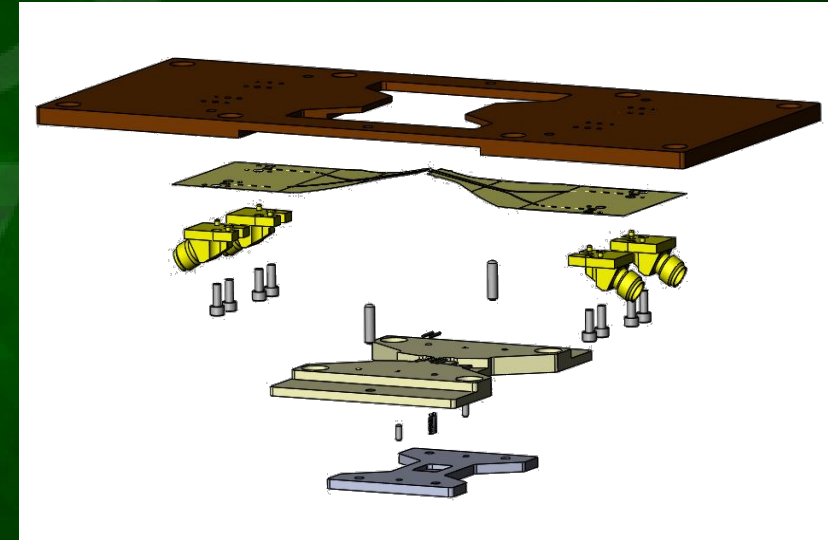


How to make xWave compatible with Wafer Test?



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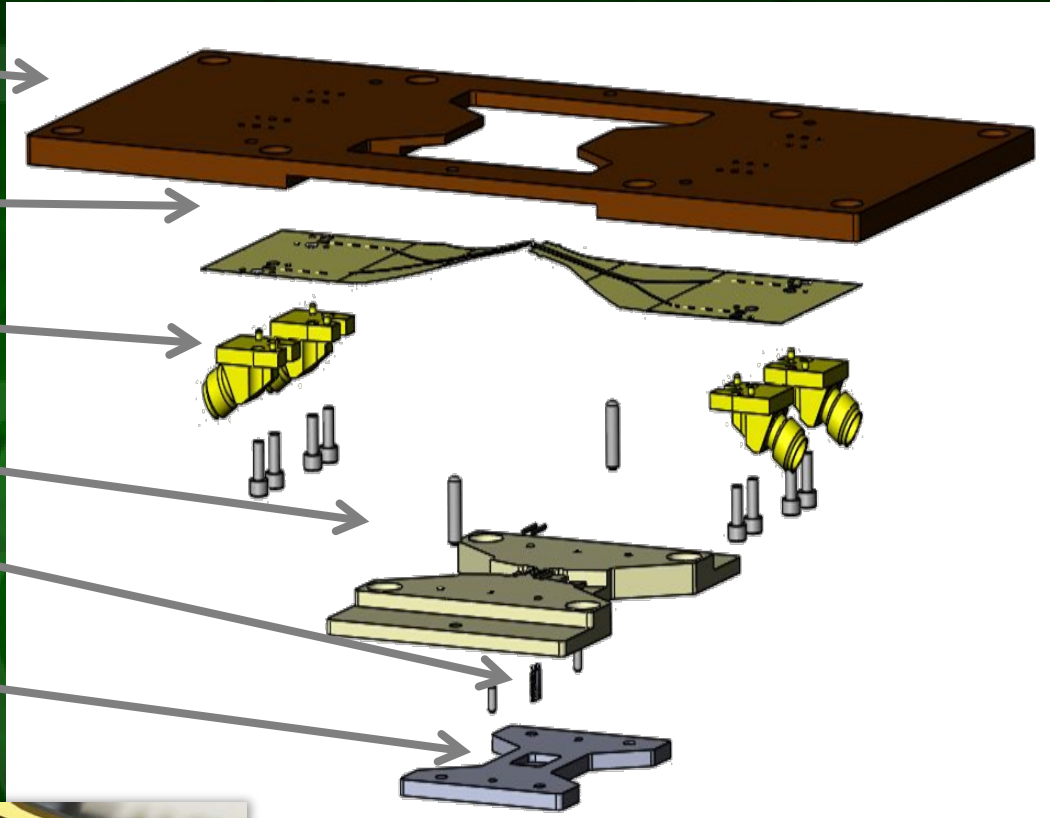
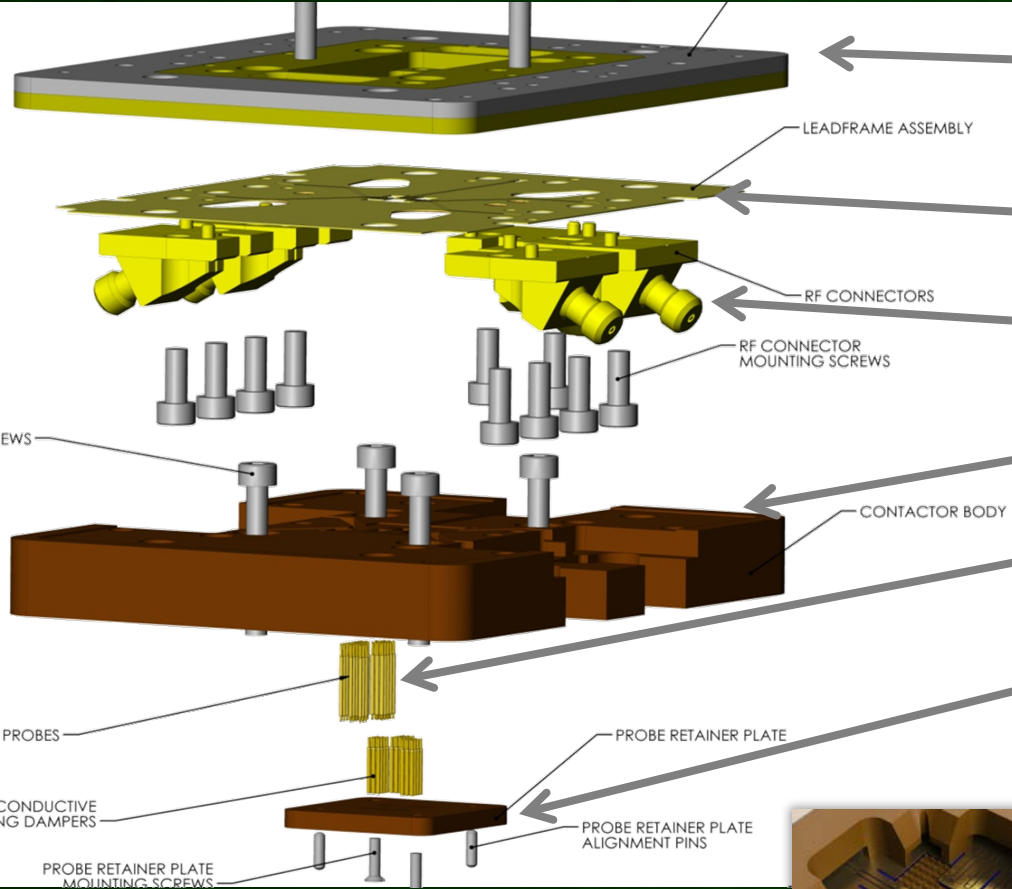
- **Move xWave Technology from package test to wafer probe**
 - Move contact point of leadframe to infinite plane
 - Combine leadframe with fine pitch pogo technology
 - Reduce leadframe features to match bump pitch
 - Reduce leadframe force to limit contact marking on wafer bumps
 - Limit scrub to ensure no ball shear



xWave Wafer Level Final Test

Contactors: Package Test

Probe Head: Wafer Test



TopFrame

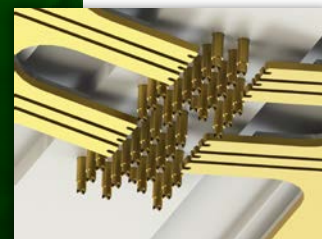
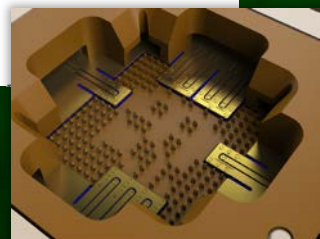
LeadFrame

Connectors

Body

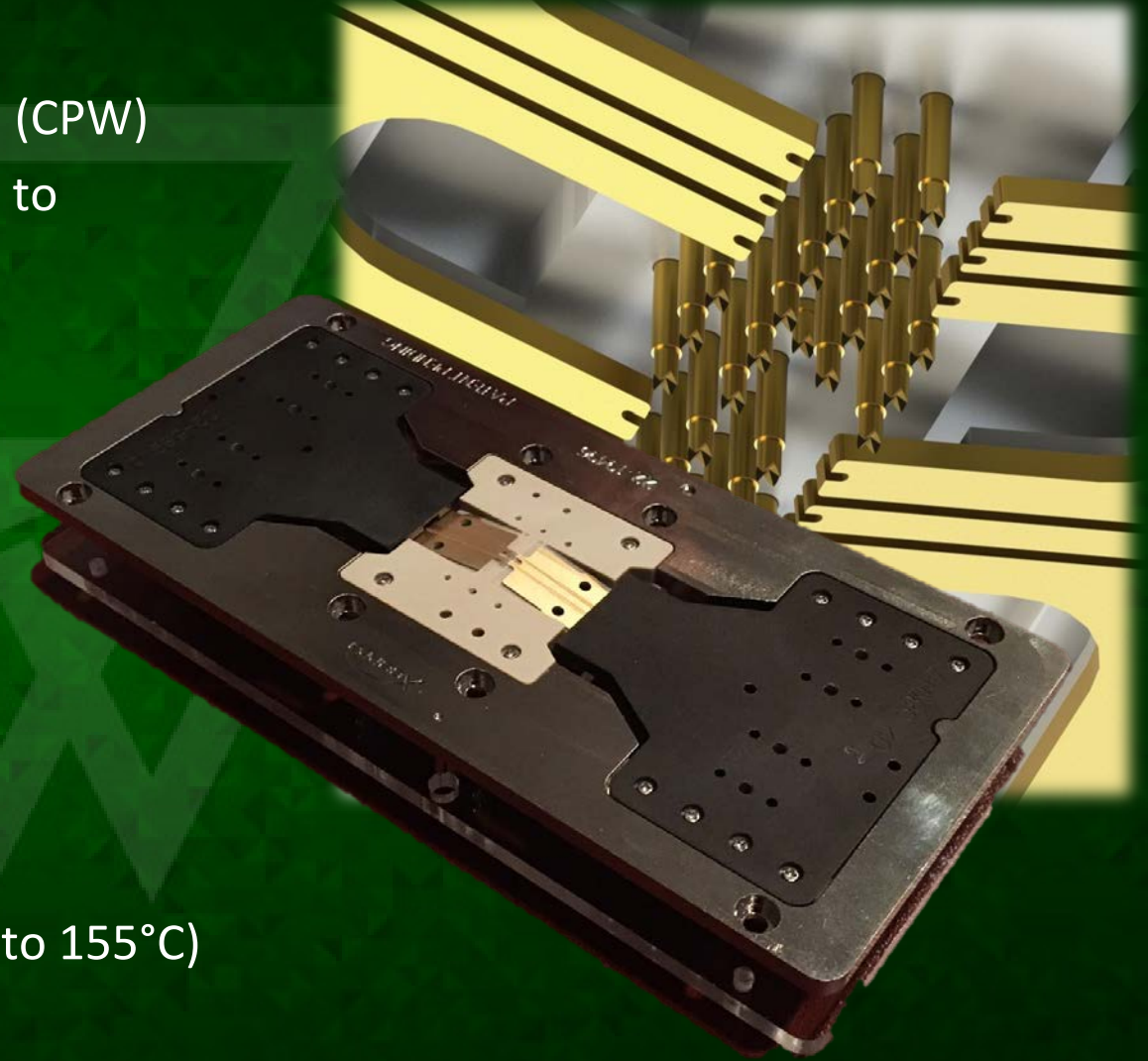
Spring Probes

Retainer Plate



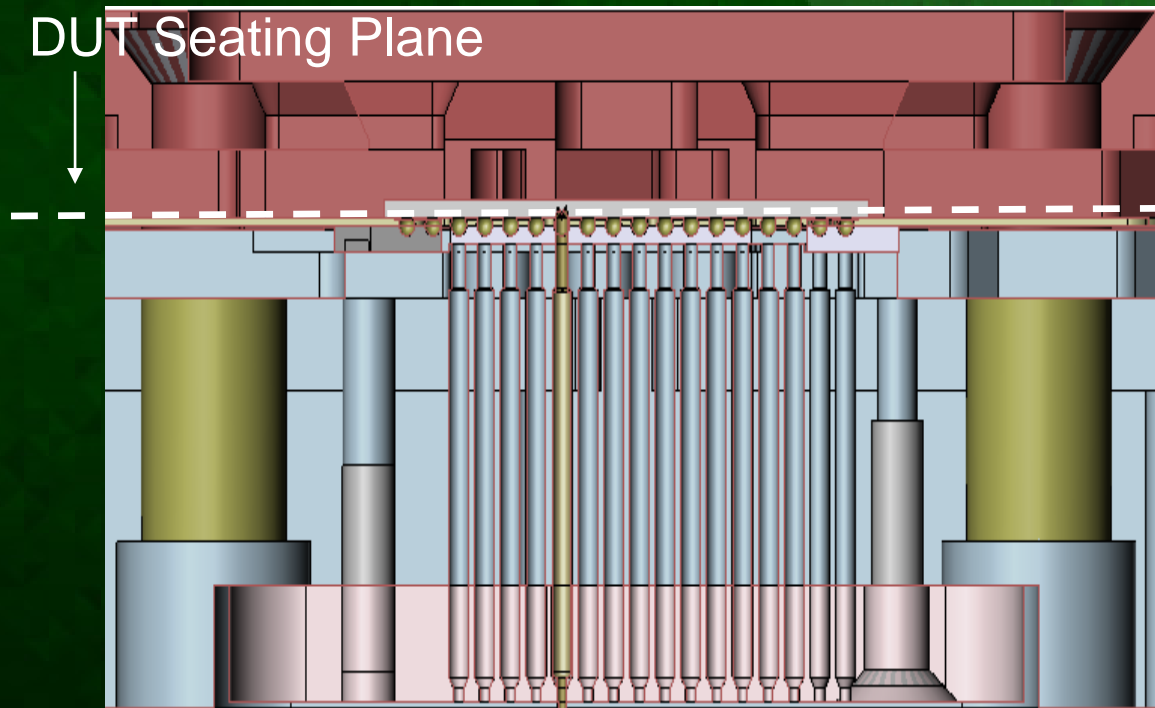
xWave: Wafer Level Final Test

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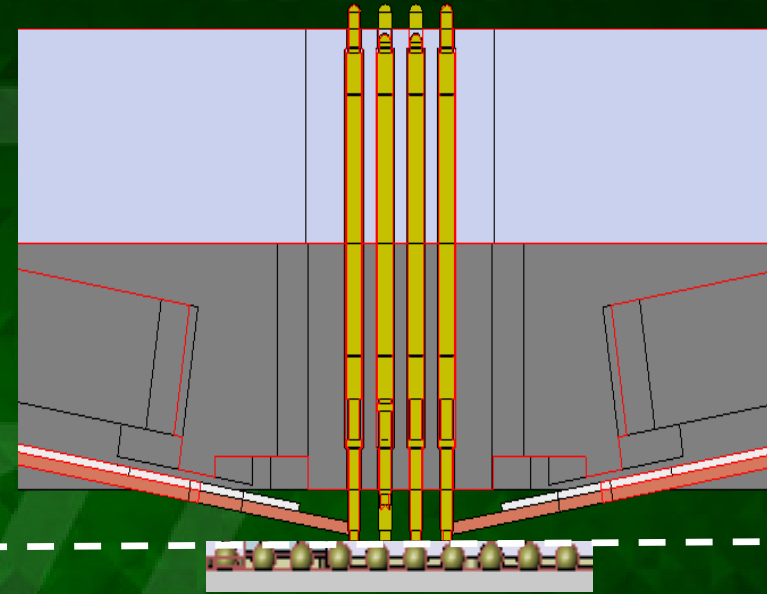


Move contact plane to infinite plane

- From Flat leadframe in DUT pocket to Angled leadframe at infinite plane



xWave Package Test

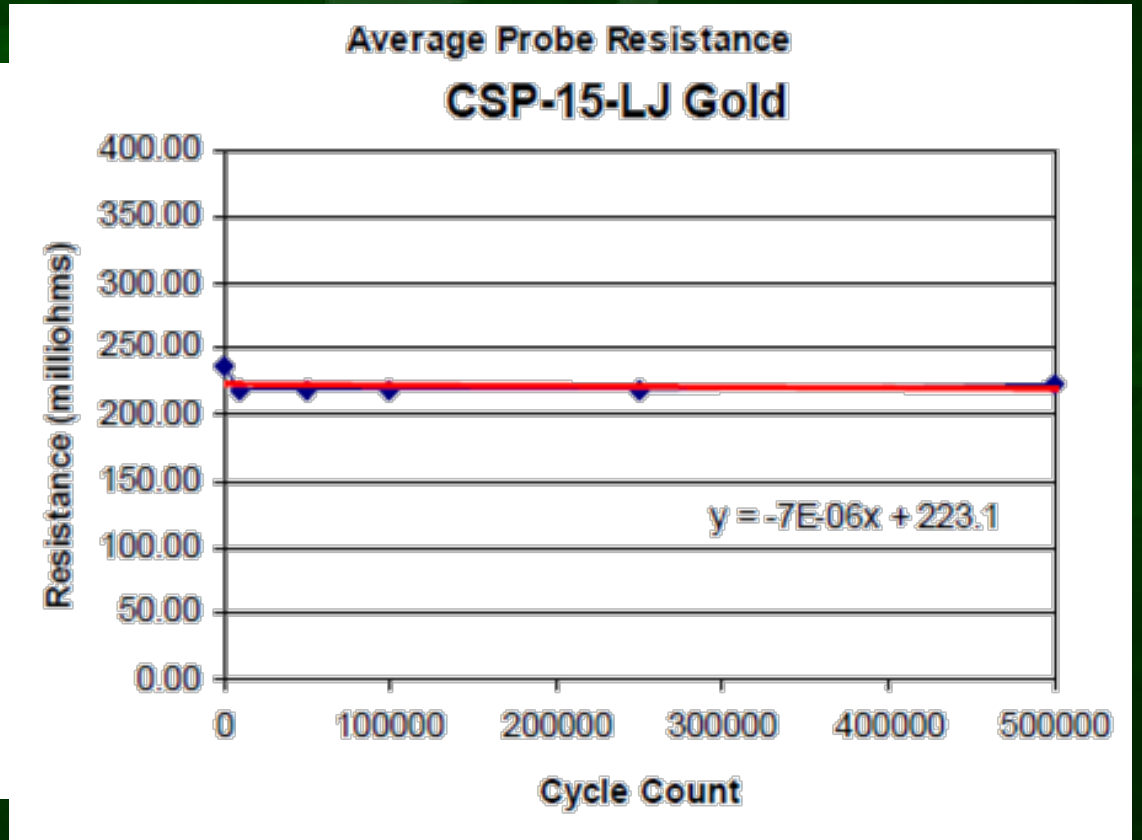
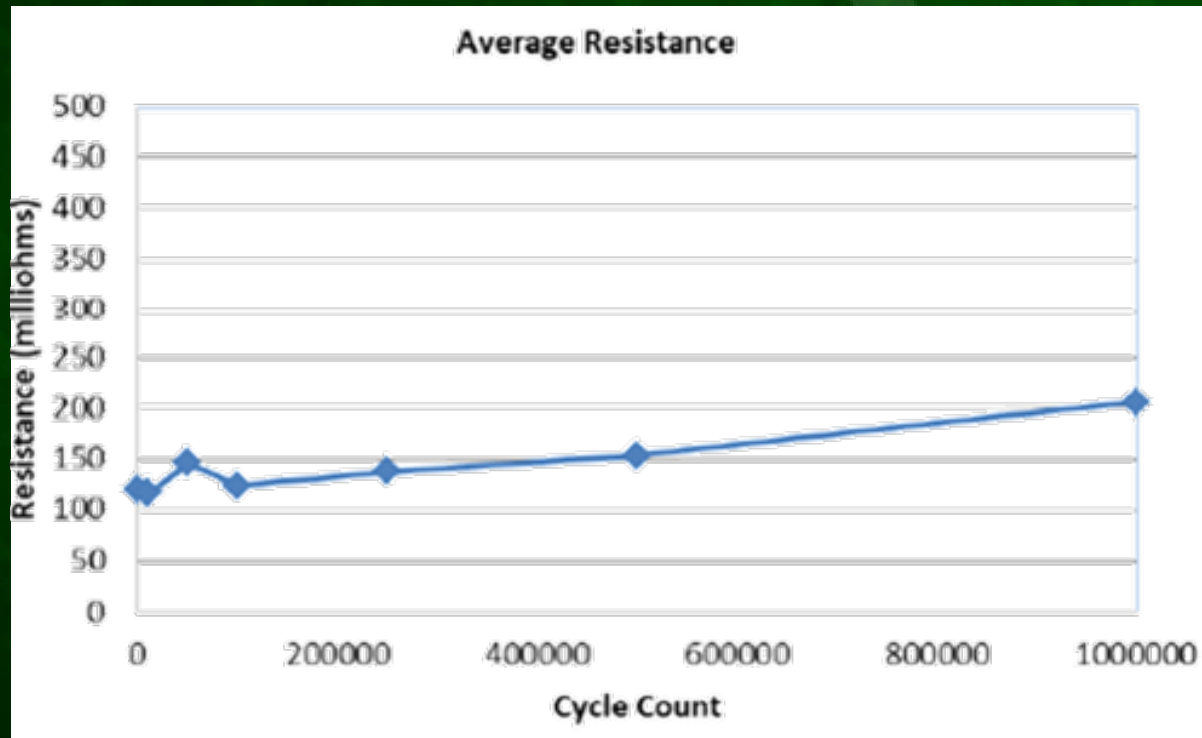


xWave Wafer Test

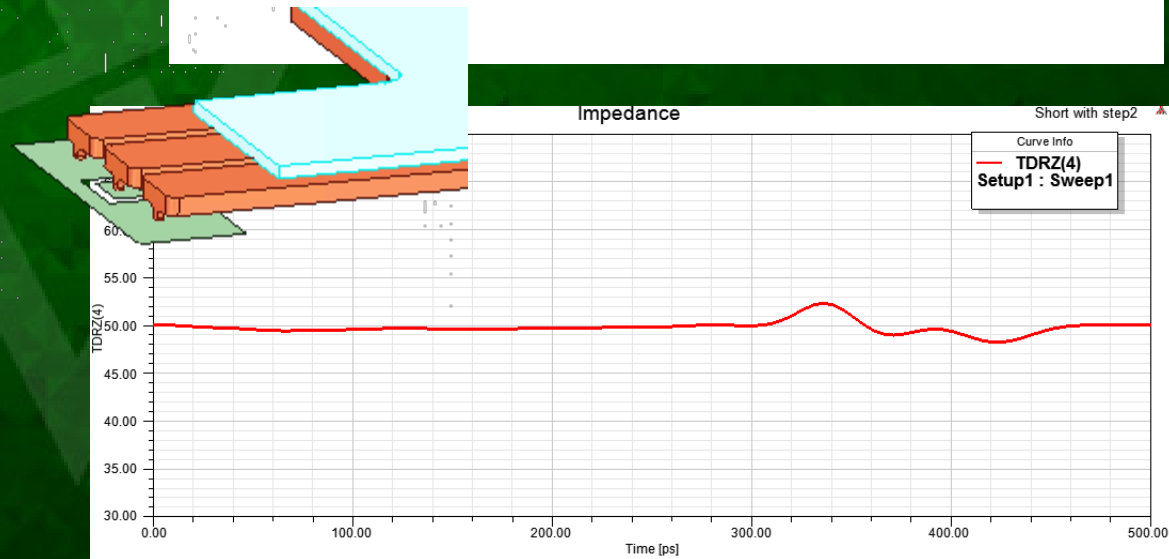
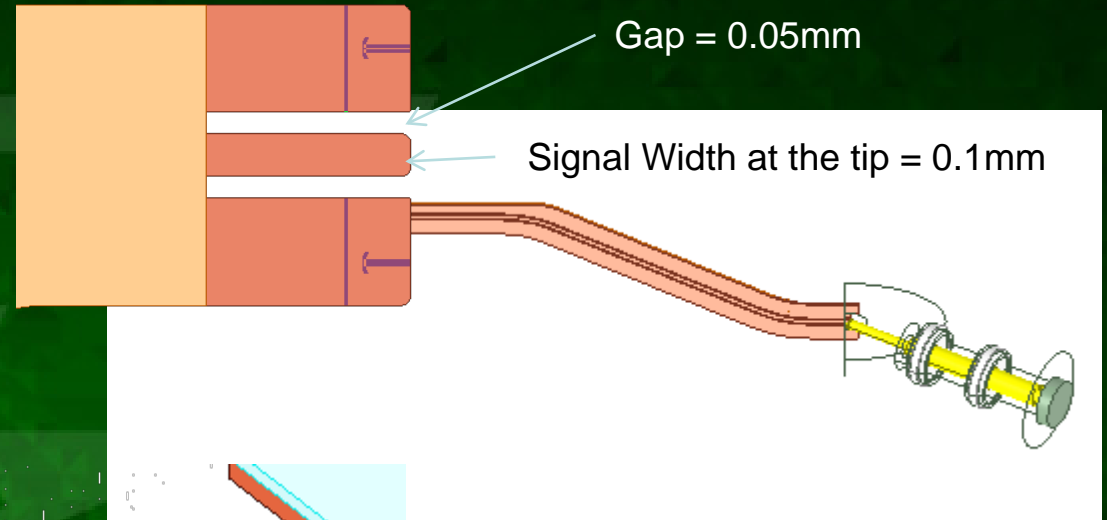
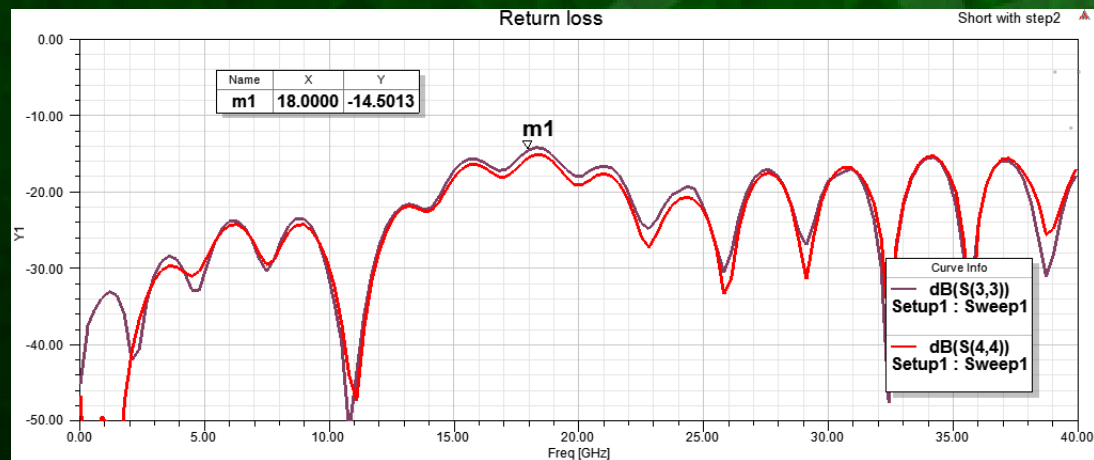
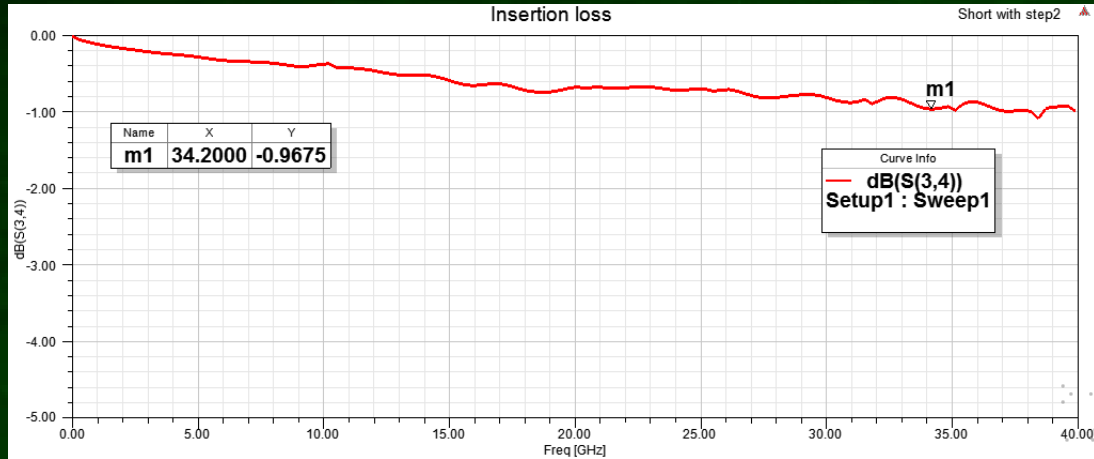
- From 0.5mm probe to 150um probe

Probe comparison

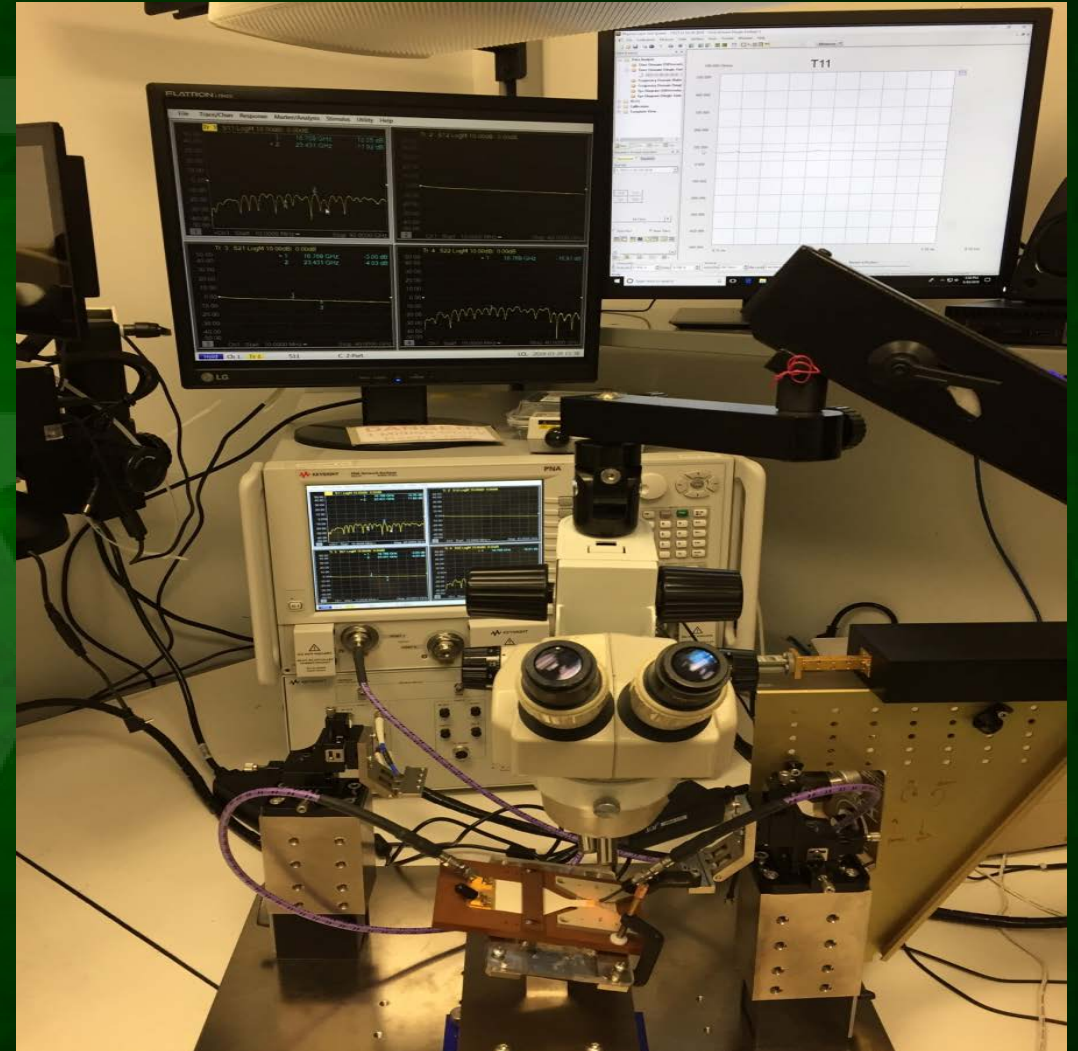
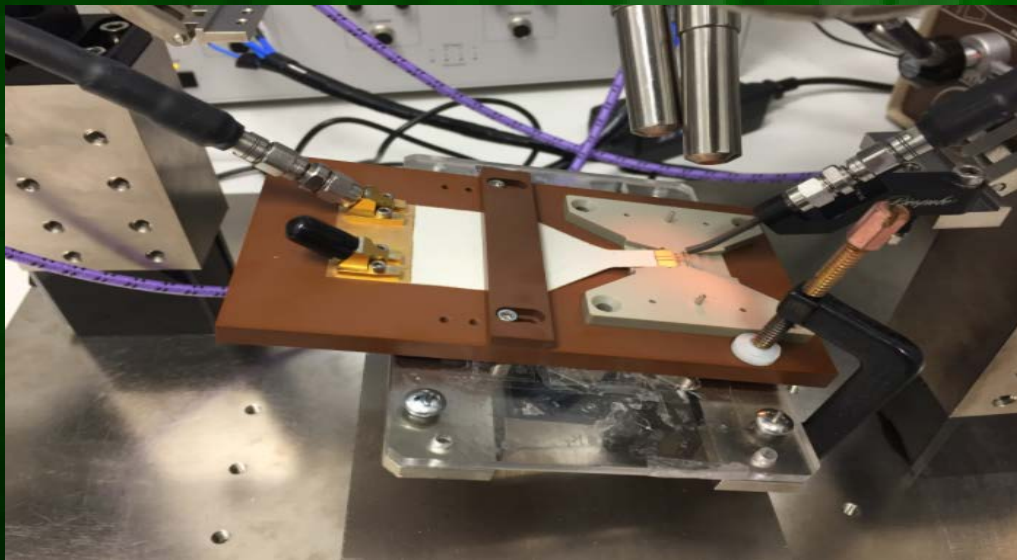
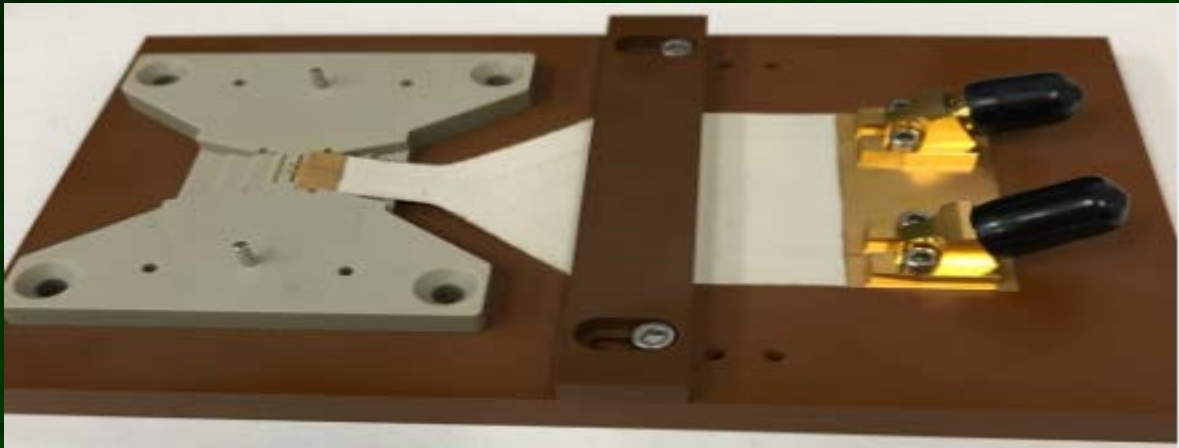
- **xWave Contactor Probe** **xWave Wafer Probe**



Electromagnetic Simulation

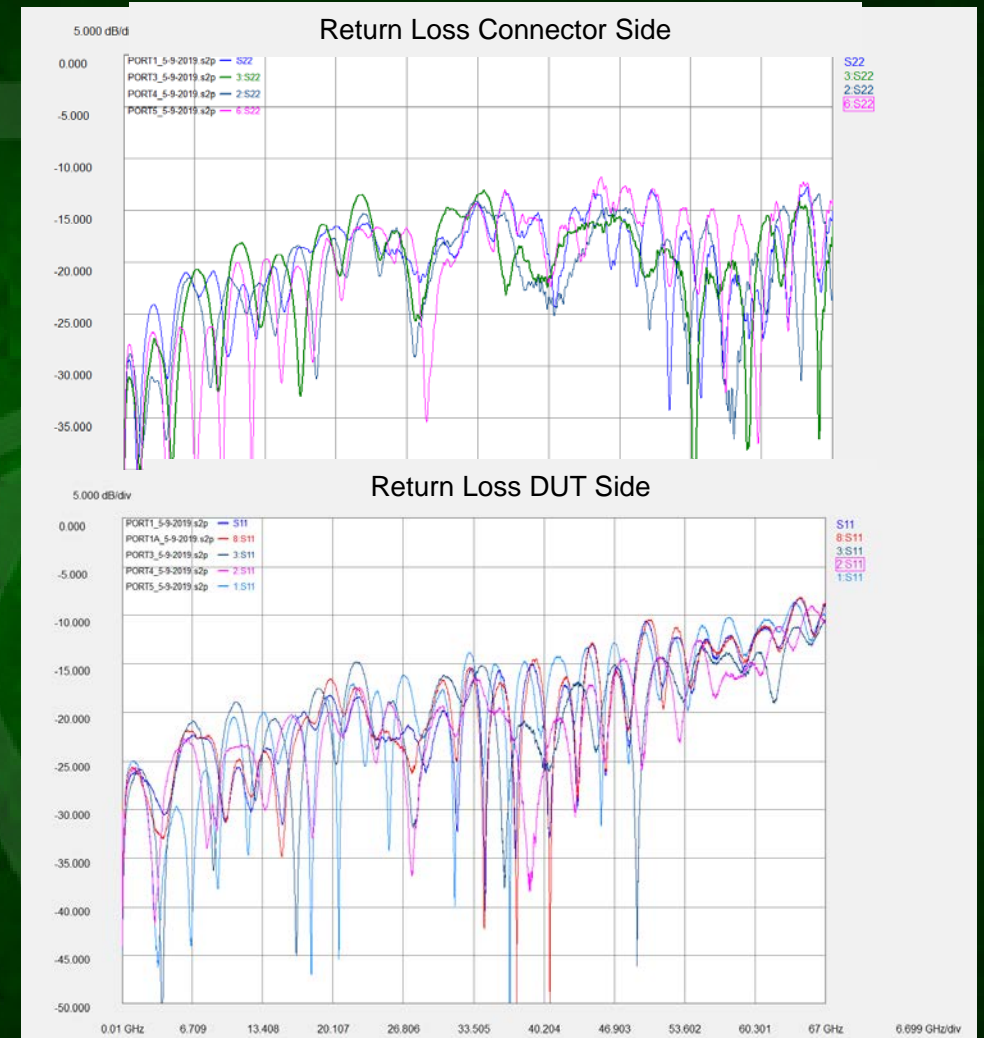
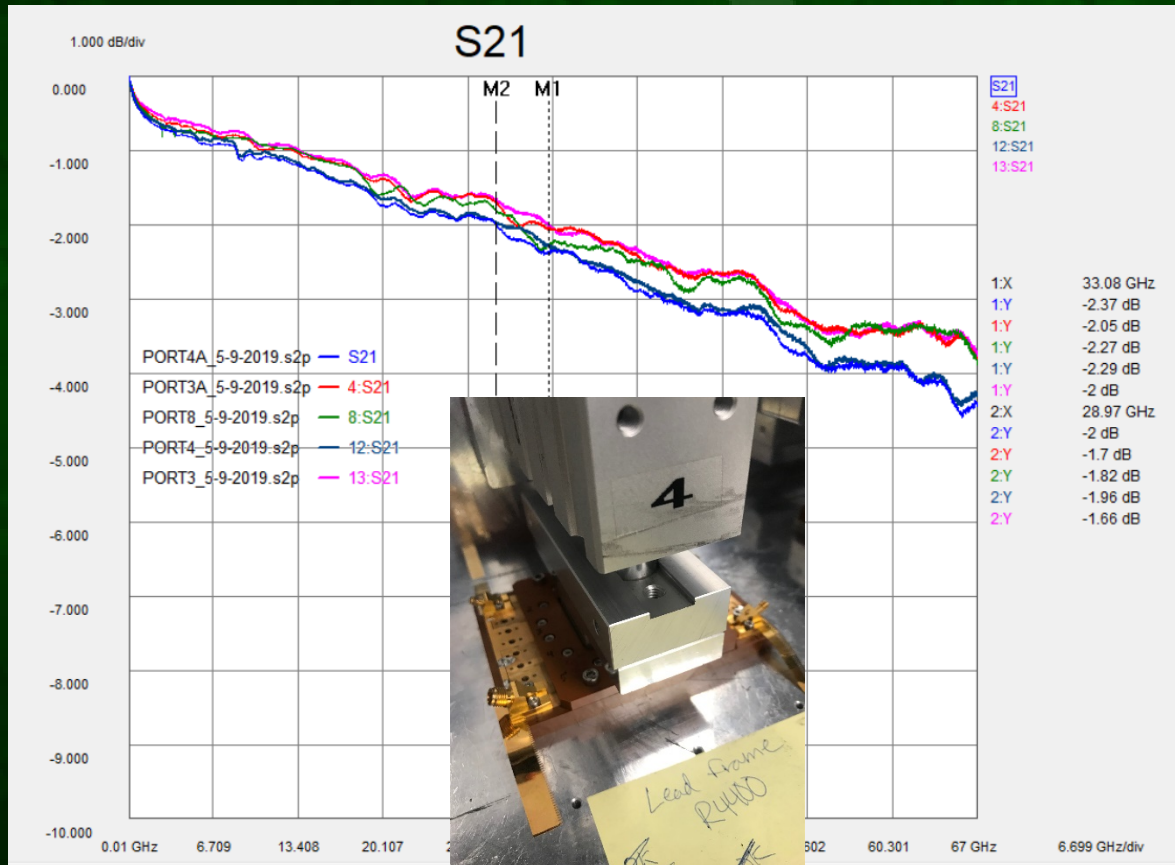


xWave Dual Site Probe Card Prototype RF Lab Measurement



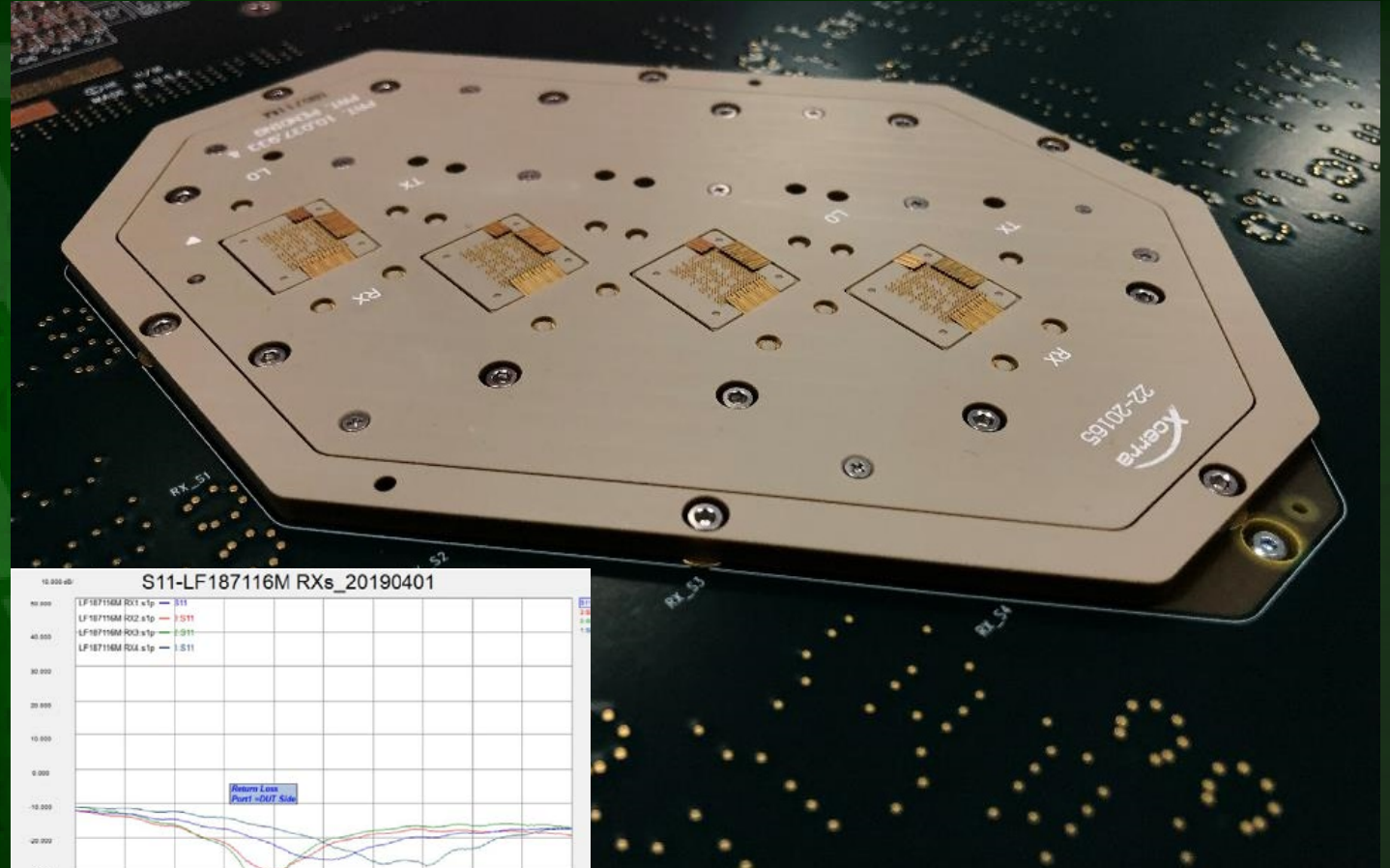
S-parameter 150um xWave Prototype

- Low Linear Insertion Loss and Return Loss below -10dB to 60+GHz (leadframe + connector)



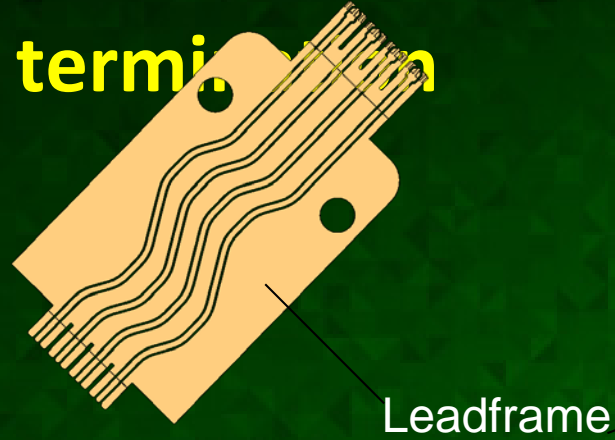
xWave ProbeHead - 80GHz Absorber Termination

- 80GHz ADAS Quad Site Probe Head
- xWave Hybrid Coplanar waveguide and spring probe design
- 12 Absorber Terminated Leadframes (48 channels)
- No coax connectors
- PCB leadframe launch
- Turnkey Probe Head/ Probe Card
- Impedance controlled Leadframes (<10dB return loss 76GHz-81GHz)

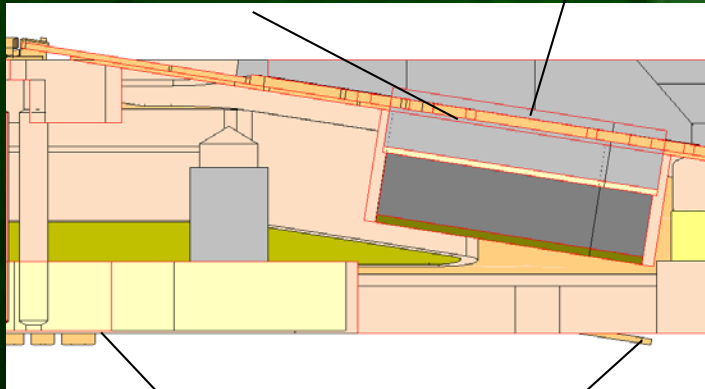


xWave Probe Head - Loadboard Side

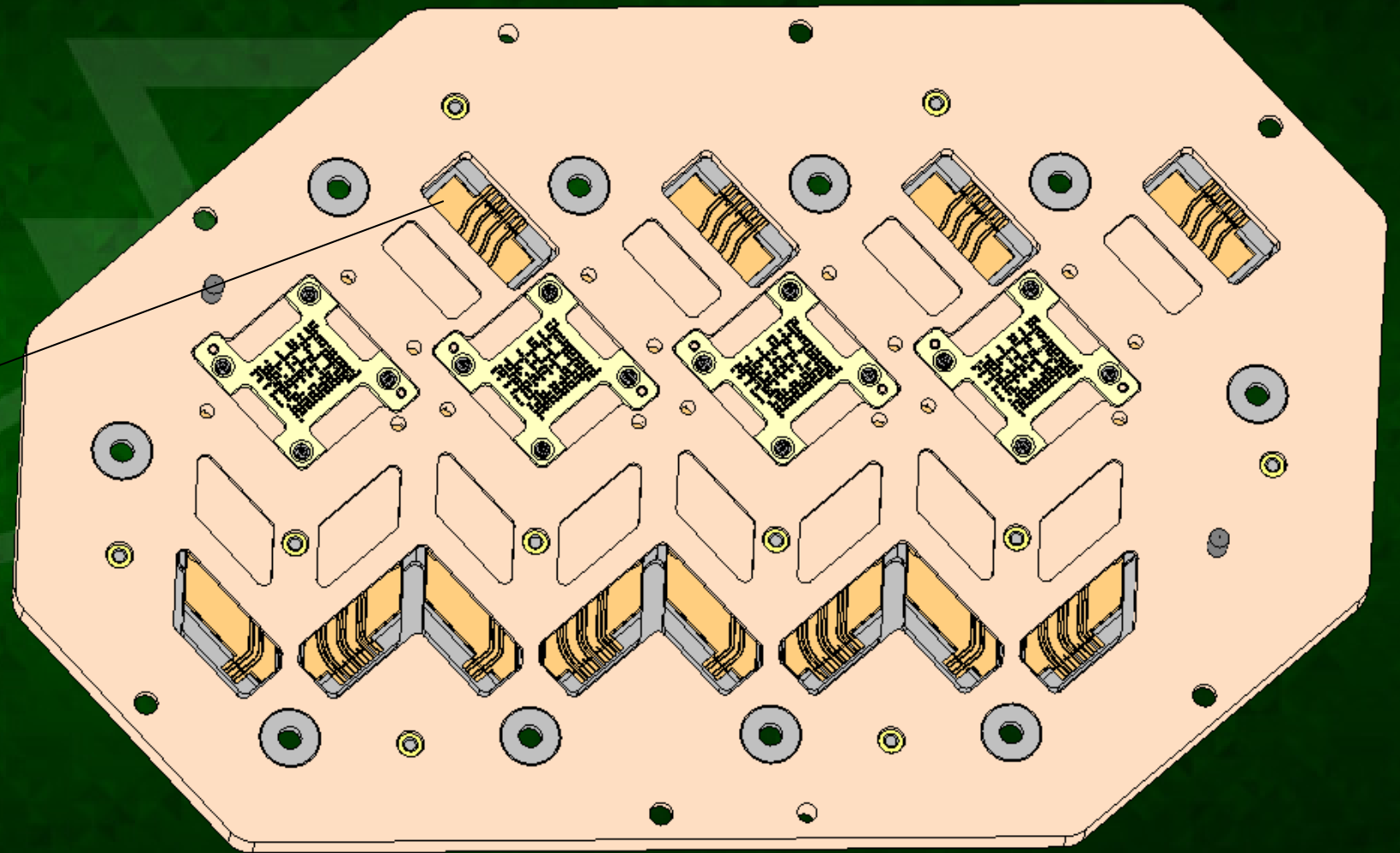
- xWave CPW Loadboard termination



Absorber termination



Cantilever CPW PCB termination



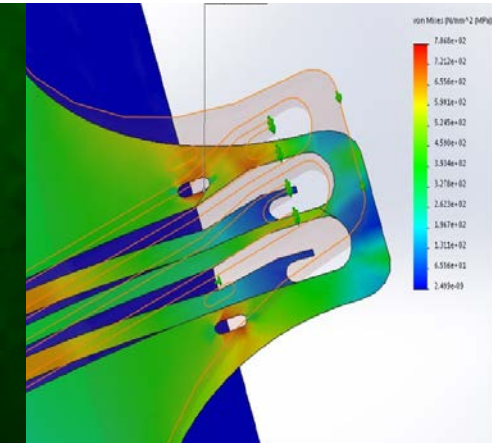
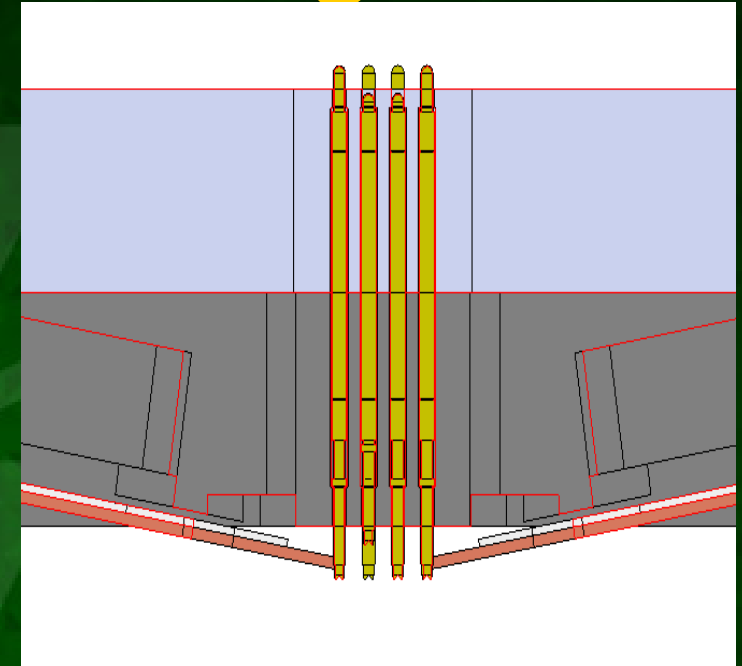
WLCSP xWave Mechanical Design

- **Force**

- Leadframe – 8g @ 150um overdrive
- 250um leadframe and 300um probe travel
- Adjustable based on leadframe cross section and cantilever anchor point
- Sufficient force without spring damper

- **Thermal**

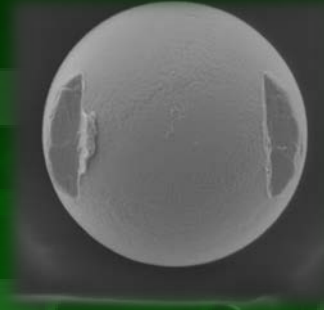
- Designed for Tri-Temp
- Same materials as standard xWave
- All materials are matched coefficient of thermal expansion (CTE)



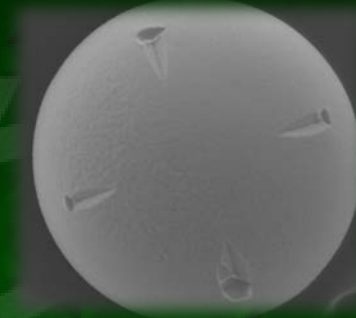
WLCSP xWave Mechanical Design

- **BGA Contact feature**

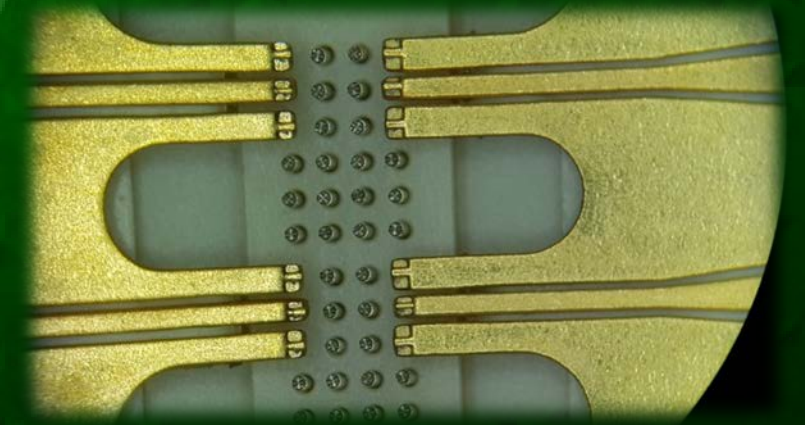
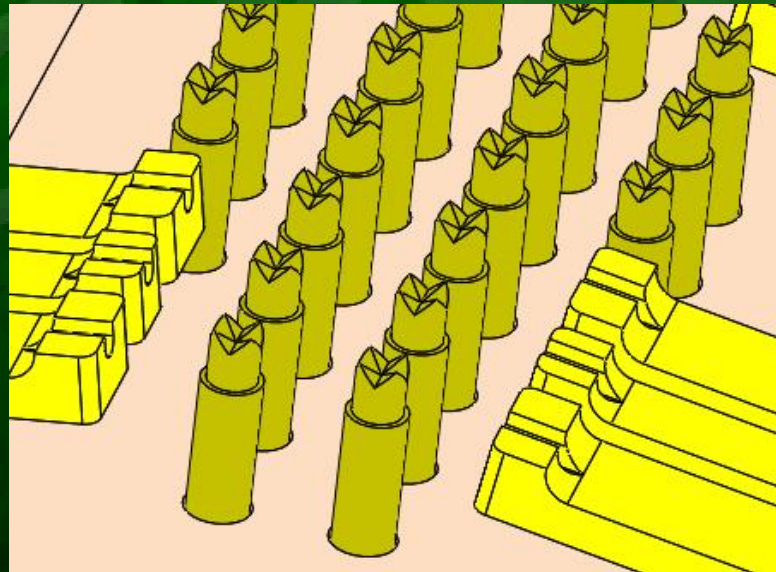
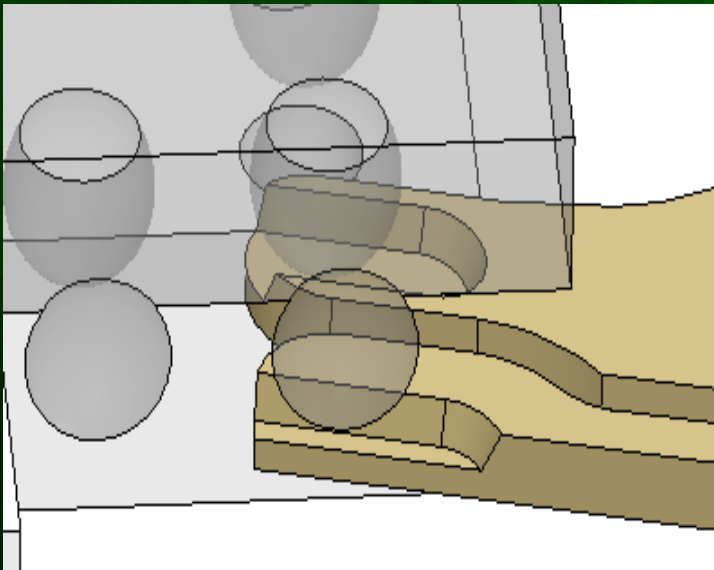
- Leadframe - U shape edge contact to ball
- ~10um knife edge scrub
- Pogo – 4 point crown
- 250um compliance



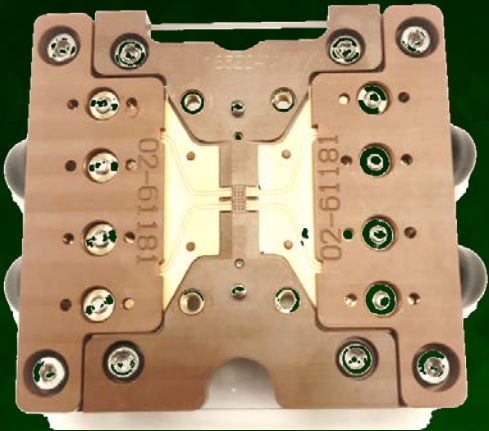
Leadframe



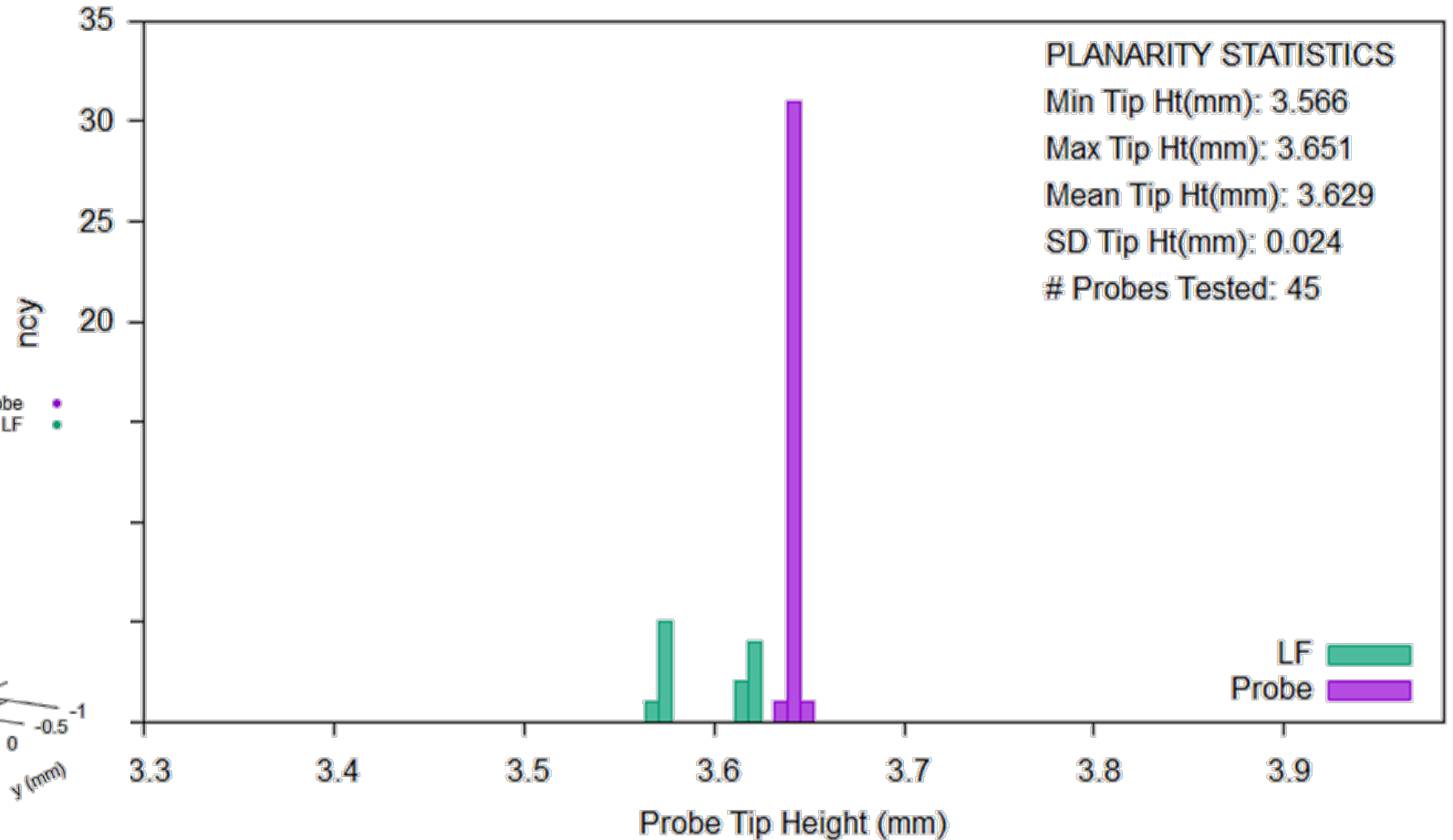
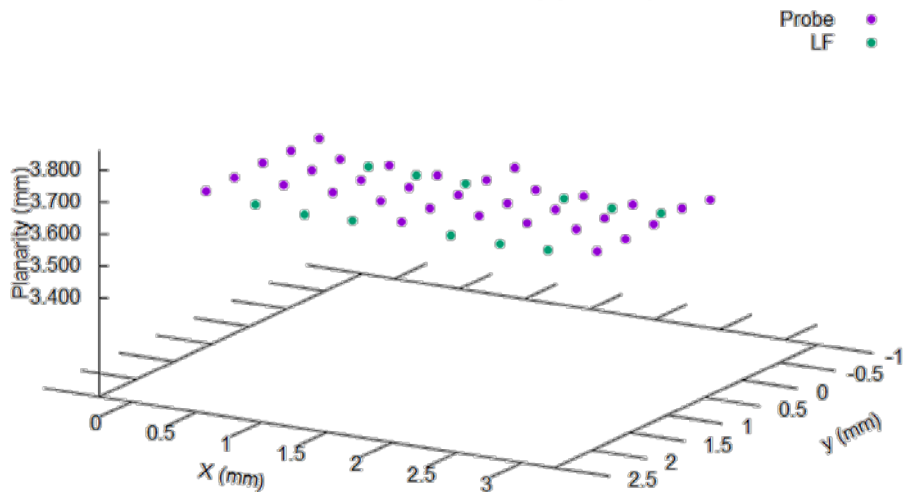
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Probe Head Planarity

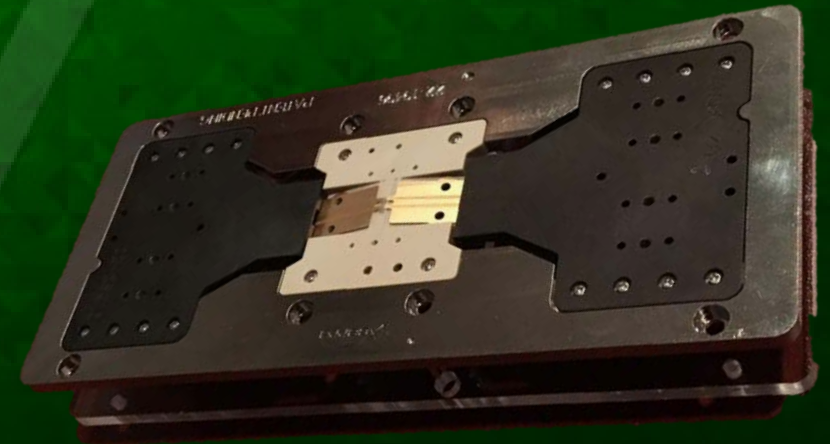
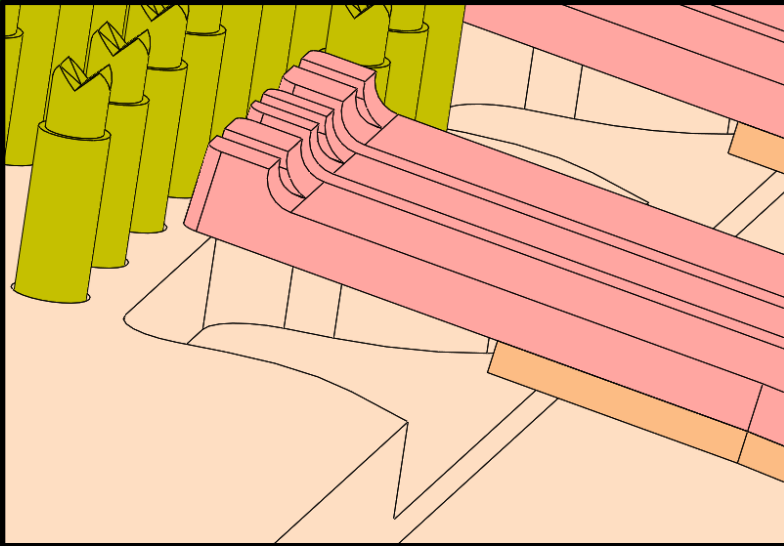
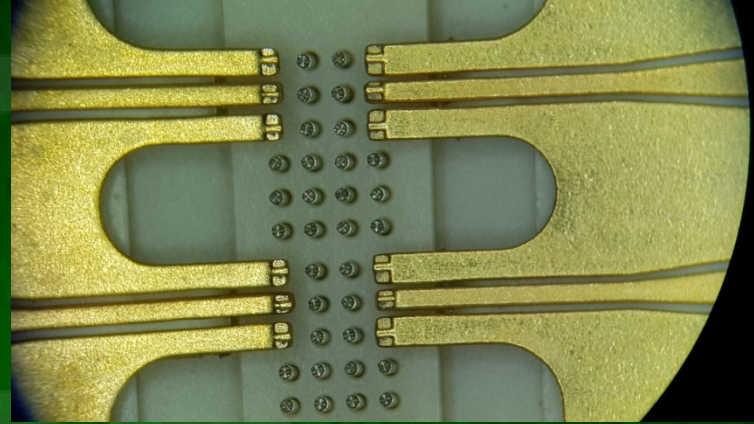


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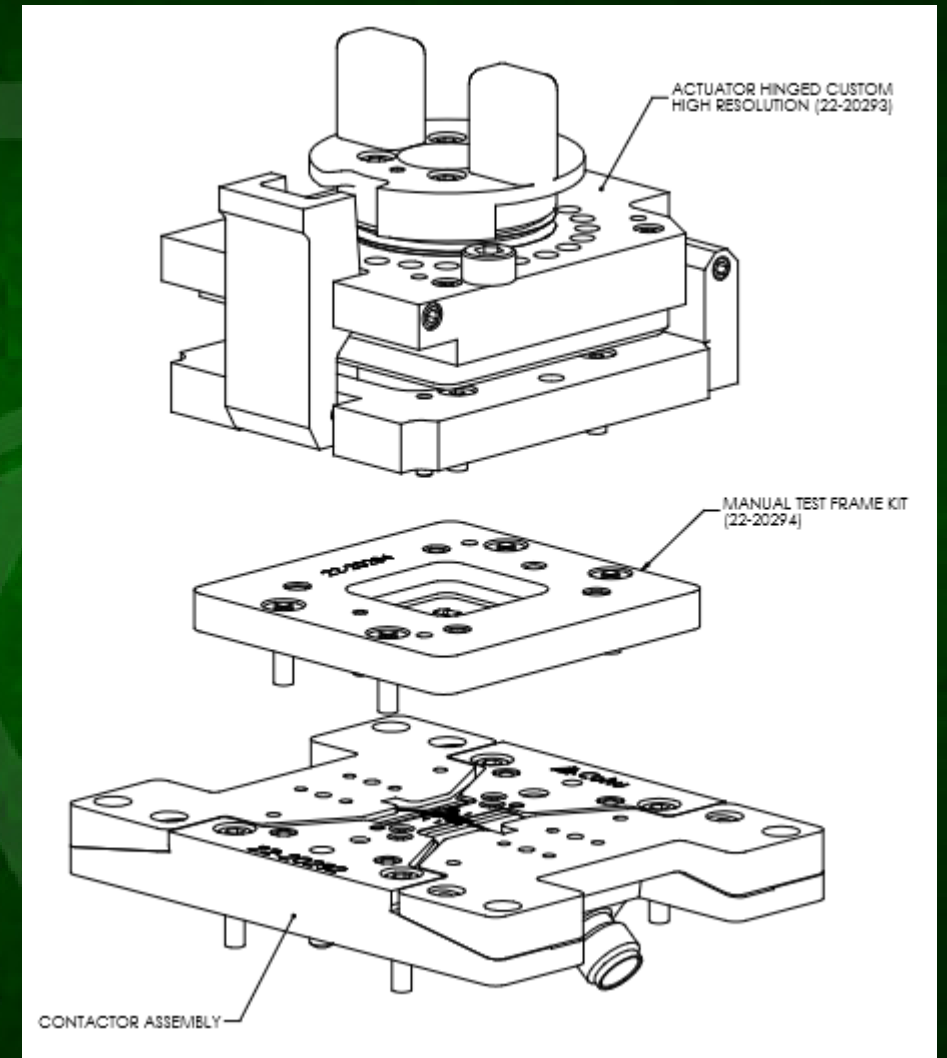
xWave ProbeHead - 30GHz 250um

- 30GHz SatComm Dual-Site Probe Head
- 2 RF ports per site on 2 replaceable LeadFrames
- 18 cViper 025 Probes/site

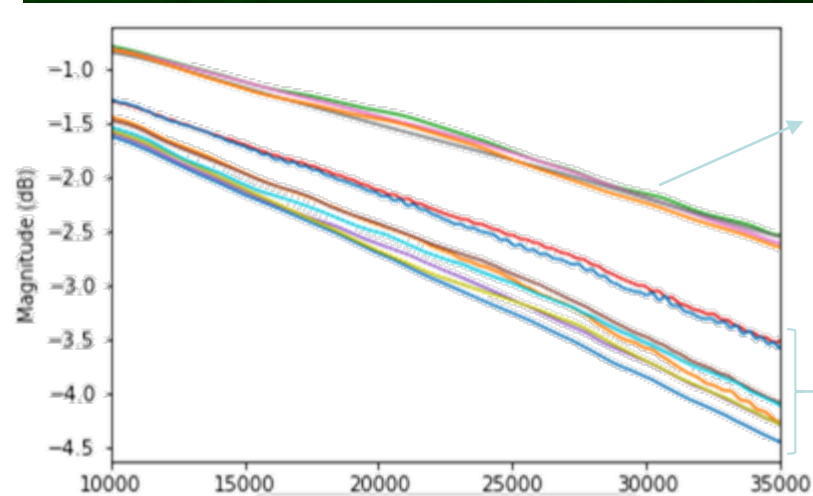
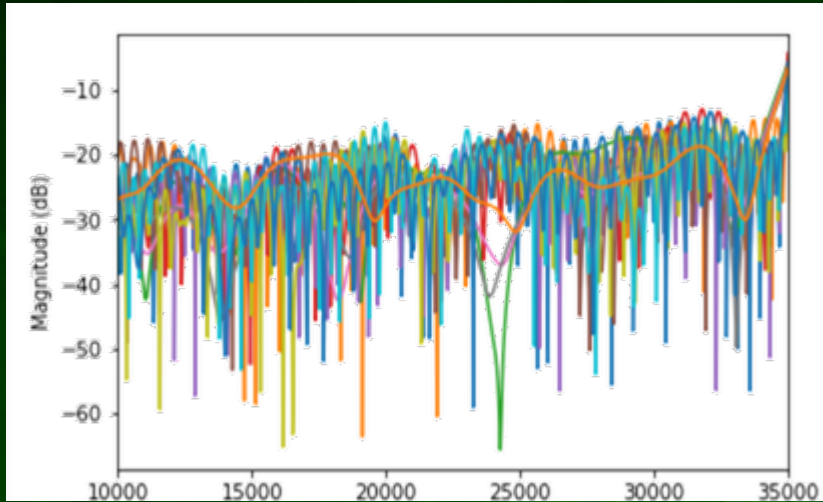


Package Test and Wafer Test in One

- Same hardware can be used for both packaged test and wafer test
 - Manual Alignment Frame (MAF) attaches to Probe head to convert to final test
 - Manual Actuator (MA) attaches to MAF
 - Simple change over from Wafer to Packaged parts for QA or RMA's

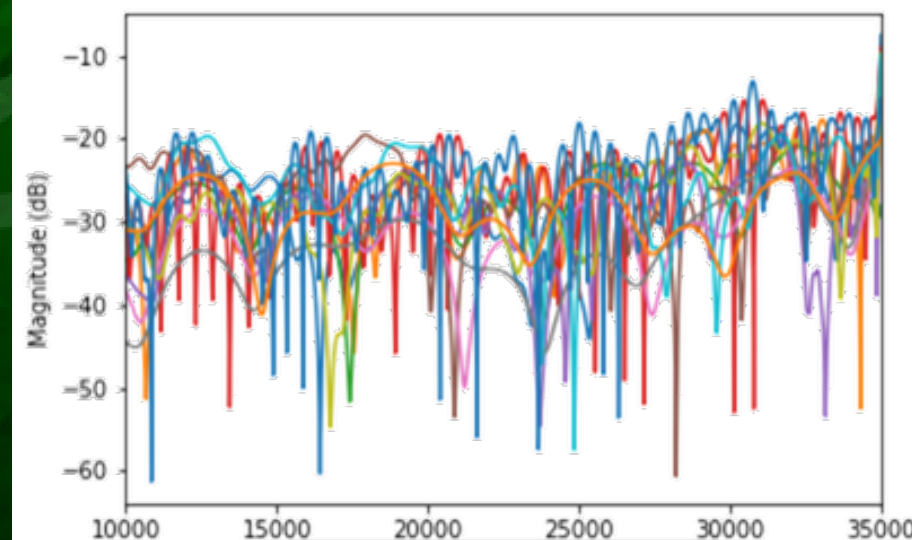


Customer Results: S11, S21 TDR 1 port AFR 0-35GHz



Only probe head, no cabling




Main difference is cable length

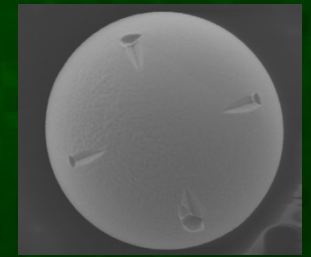
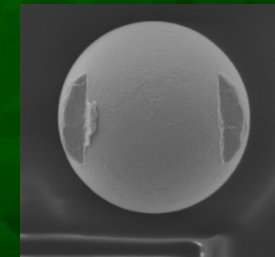


Correlates to Cohu Internal measurements

Customer Results: First trials

• Day 1

- Prober setup OK(single only) 
 - Site and bump pitch/location is OK
- DC trials: both sites OK 
 - No overdrive needed to get contact
 - DC measures analysis on going for different overdrive steps
 - No obvious DC probe mark on bump, or very slight (prober camera)
- RF trials : site 1 OK 
 - Requires ~100um overdrive to get RF contact
 - Prober measured 55um difference height DC vs RF
 - Cohu expecting 60um overdrive RF vs DC for contact. Nominal 150um would be ok for most cases.
 - No obvious RF probe mark on bump, or very slight (prober camera)



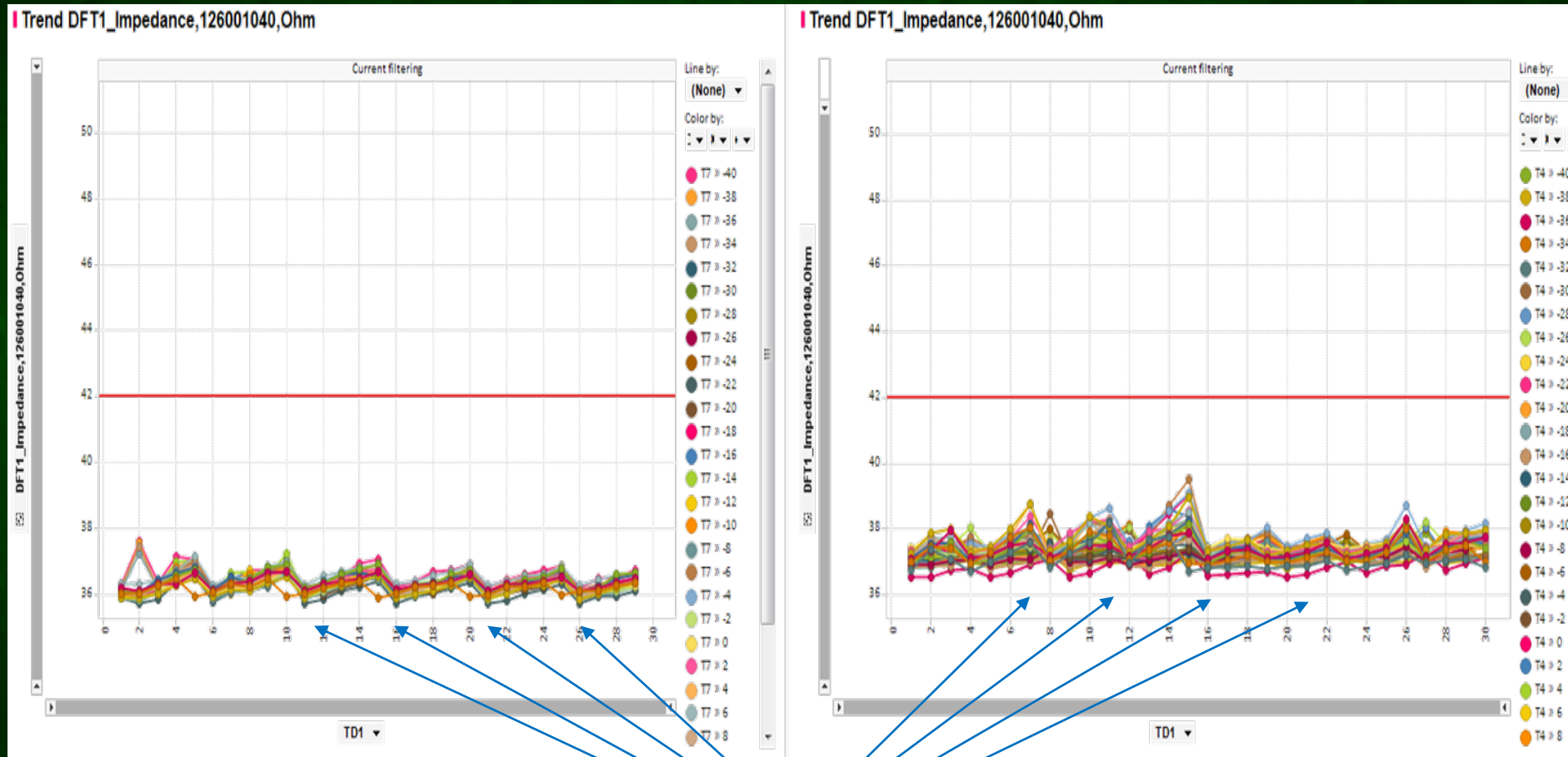
Customer Results DFT1 impedance: Existing vs Cohu

Existing probe card

Pos Y=-26, cleaning, 30 Run, OD=200

Cohu probe card

Pos Y=-98, cleaning, 30 Run, OD=190



Cleaning every 150 touch down
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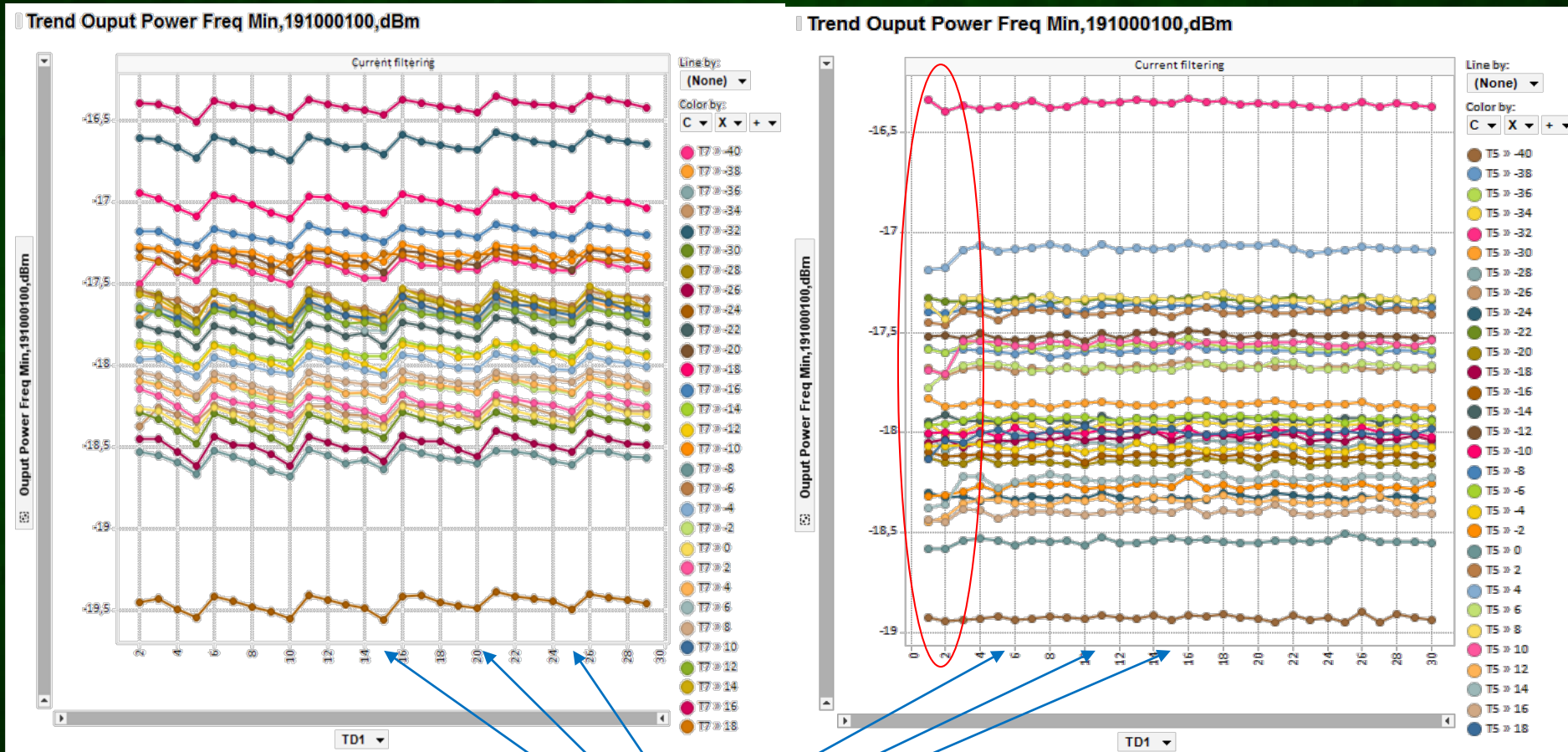
Customer Results: RF measure: Existing vs Cohu

Existing probe card

Pos Y=-26, cleaning, 30 Run, OD=200

Cohu probe card

Pos Y=-74, cleaning, 30 Run, OD=150




Need of cleaning for RF measure

Cleaning every 150 touch down


- No impact of cleaning on RF
- Small drift seen on first runs (to be checked)

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Customer Results: Wrap-Up / X-Wave Pros & Cons

 Excellent Insertion Loss and Return Loss performance.

- IL < 4dB @ 30GHz (including cable),
- RL < 15dB @ 30GHz,
- X-Wave design up to 110GHz.

 X-Wave is designed to reduce probe mark.


- Avoid hitting center of ball,
- May remove need for ball re-flow.

 Fully repairable on Field at low cost.


- Part maintenance has been demo'ed.

 Good RF Repeatability


- < 0.05dB over 30 program loops.


 Good RF Repeatability on multiple touch-down

- About 0.2dB variation observed on 30 cycles.


 Capability to perform manual retest of singulated die.

- Need microscope to insert the tiny device,
- Good unit at first test.

 Probe core is more expensive than current solution.

 Lead-frame alignment is made manually (few tens of um).

- Need to assess stability during prober operation,
- Need to understand what it means for production.

 During trial a larger drift has been observed on DFT1 Impedance test.

- When pogo hits multiple times at same place, the electrical contact is degraded,
- Behavior seems no more true when prober steps or when pogo hit more the center of the ball.
- Need more investigation.

Summary/Conclusion

- Overcame infinite plane and force profile to take the mmWave technology from final test applications to wafer test.
- WLCSP test data shows same electrical and mechanical performance as package test data
- Customer trials shows positive results

Next Steps

- **Improve contrast on Calibration Substrate for better prober visibility**
- **Move leadframe first contact to same plane as pogo contact**
- **Standardize on pogo pin length**
- **Standardize on Leadframe geometry**
- **Develop internal array contact capability**
- **Standardize leadframe for lower COT**

