



Current state and future trends of PCBs in AVIO

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5. Summary

- Nippon Avionics Co.,Ltd. (AVIO) was established in 1960 between NEC and Hughes aircraft company.
- PCB division was licensed in multilayer board technology by Hughes.
- AVIO's PCBs were certified by JAXA in 1972, and we have been supplying PCBs for Japanese space programs more than 40 years.

JAXA : Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency

AVIOs PCB products



Space system,
Government system



High Reliability

**Communication
Network**

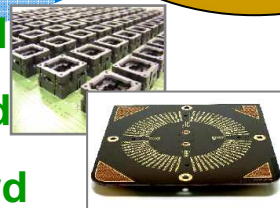


Network system
for Mobile phone,
Broadcast system

**Semiconductor
Testing**

IC tester
Probe Card
Load Board
Socket board
Burn in Board

**Information
Processing**



Super computer
High end server



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AVIO have JAXA-qualified PCBs according to JAXA-QTS-2140 (generic specification)

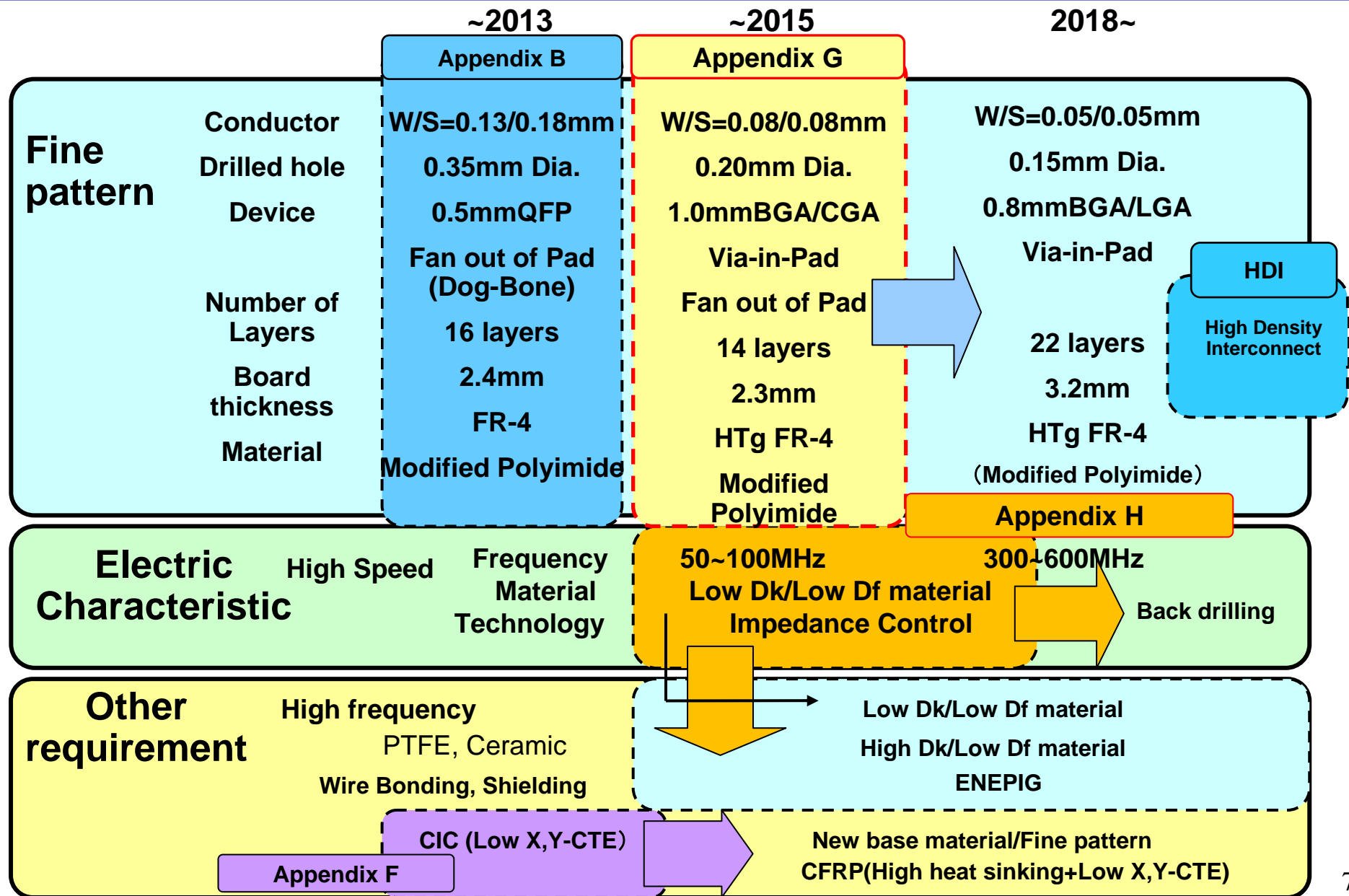
JAXA-QTS-2140		Printed Wiring Boards, General Specification For
Appendix A	PRINTED WIRING BOARDS , GLASS BASE WOVEN POLYIMIDE RESIN OR GLASS BASE WOVEN EPOXY RESIN BASE MATERIAL	
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*1 CIC : Copper-Inver-Copper

JAXA-QTS-2140 can be soon available from :
https://eepitnl.tksc.jaxa.jp/en/qts_list

2. PCBs Road Map

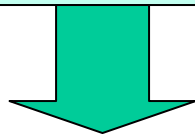
2. PCBs Road Map



3.PCBs for AREA ARRAY PACKAGING

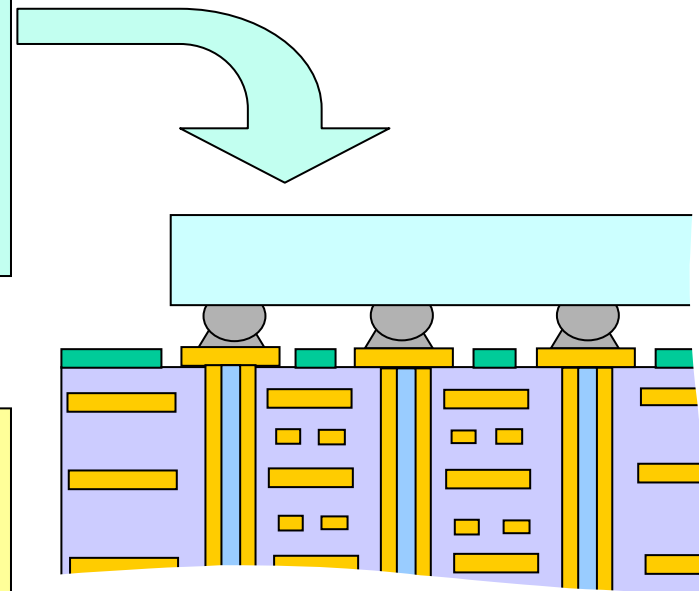
Target of Area Array Package to be mounted on PCB

- Ceramic BGA/CGA for space use
- 1.0mm pitch
- Approximately 2000 pins

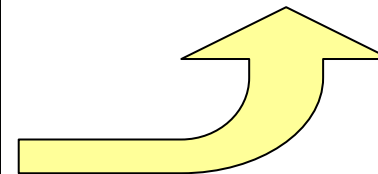


Key Technologies of PCBs

- ✓High density via pitch
Via-in-Pad (VIP) structure and Via fill
- ✓Fine pattern
Conductor Width and Spacing
0.08mm/0.08mm

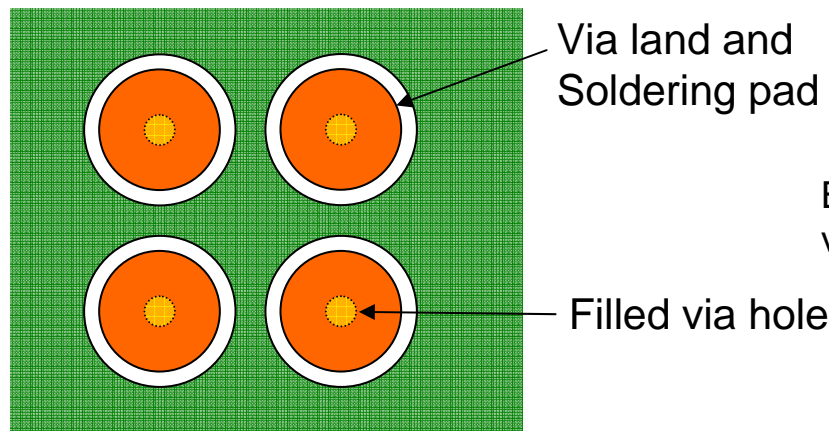


Cross section image of Area Array Package and Printed Wiring Board

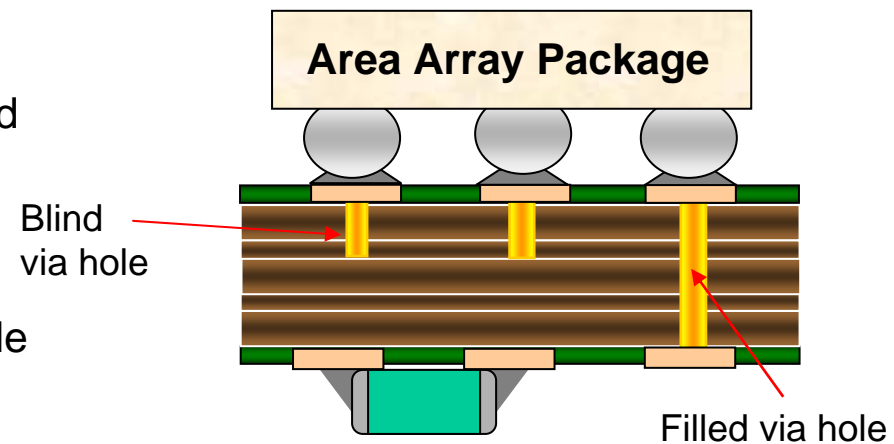


Via-in-Pad structure and Via fill

- Via-in-Pad structure gives more flexibility to soldering pads design than Fan out pads structure.
- Via-in-Pad structure perform fine pitch area array pads with conventional high reliable PTH.



Top view of Via-in-Pad structure

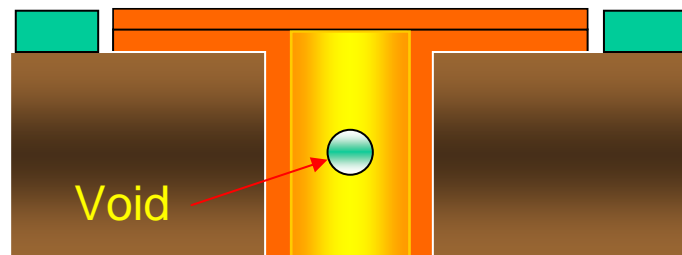


Cross section of Via-in-Pad structure

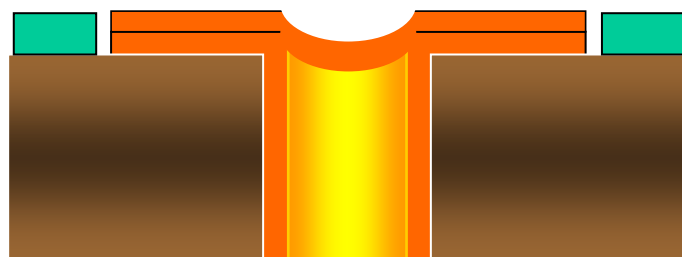
Issues of VIP

In general, Via in Pad structure has three issues as follows.
We consider that blister of cap plating is the rested issue of all.
Therefore we evaluated the blister.

1. Void in resin fill

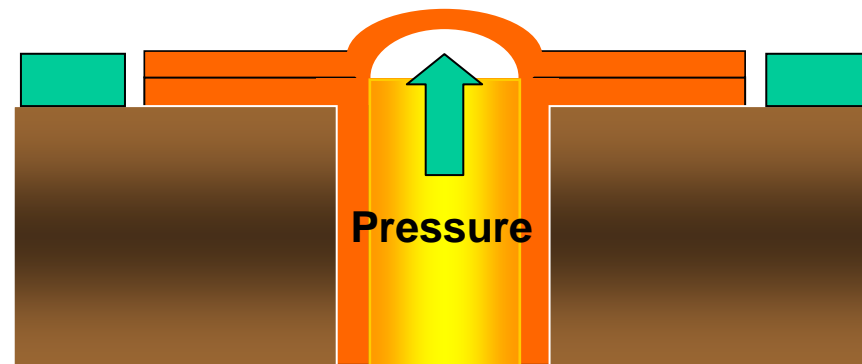


2. Dimple of cap plating



These risks can be controlled by resin fill method and process control.
Therefore we consider these as low-risk.

3. Blister of cap plating



Blister could affect long term reliability of solder joint.

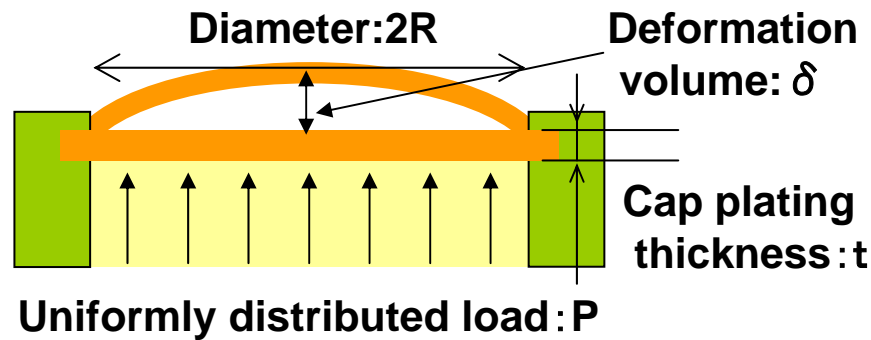
Mechanism of blister occurrence

1. In soldering, cap plating receives the pressure from filled resin expanded in plated through hole.
2. Cap plating deforms beyond plastic deformation limit.
3. Then by cooling, filled resin returns to the original form, but cap plating can not return.

Blister rely on cap plating thickness and via hole (drill) diameter. We should be consideration for the optimum conditions for space use.

Evaluation

We considered the cap plating section as picture below. Then we calculated the risk of blister occurrence as deflection volume for drill diameter and cap plating thickness shown in the table. Next we made sample board and evaluated the actual blister of cap plating by thermal stress test. We compared calculation and evaluation.



Max. deformation volume : δ_{max} .

$$\delta_{max} = \frac{3(m^2-1)PR^4}{16Em^2t^3}$$

Young's modulus : E Poisson's ratio : $1/m$

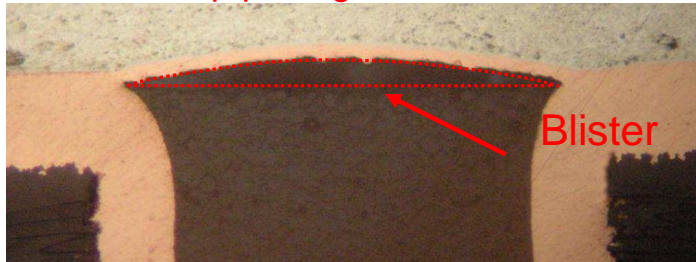
Condition of blister evaluation

Drill diameter	ϕ 0.20, 0.25, 0.30, 0.35mm
Cap plating thickness	0.005, 0.010, 0.015, 0.020, 0.040, 0.045, 0.050, 0.055mm
Board thickness	2.4mm
Test condition	Thermal stress test (Solder float) Temperature=288°C, Time=10seconds, Operation=3times
Evaluation method	Observation of cross section by microscope
Requirement	No blister

Result of Evaluation

We obtained risk curve and blister occurrence for each drill diameter and cap plating thickness.

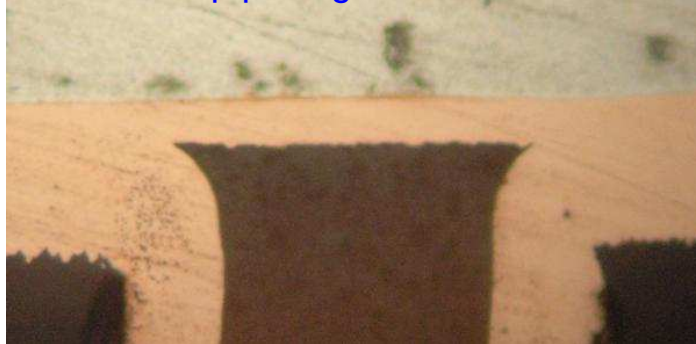
ϕ 0.2mm Cap plating thickness 0.005mm



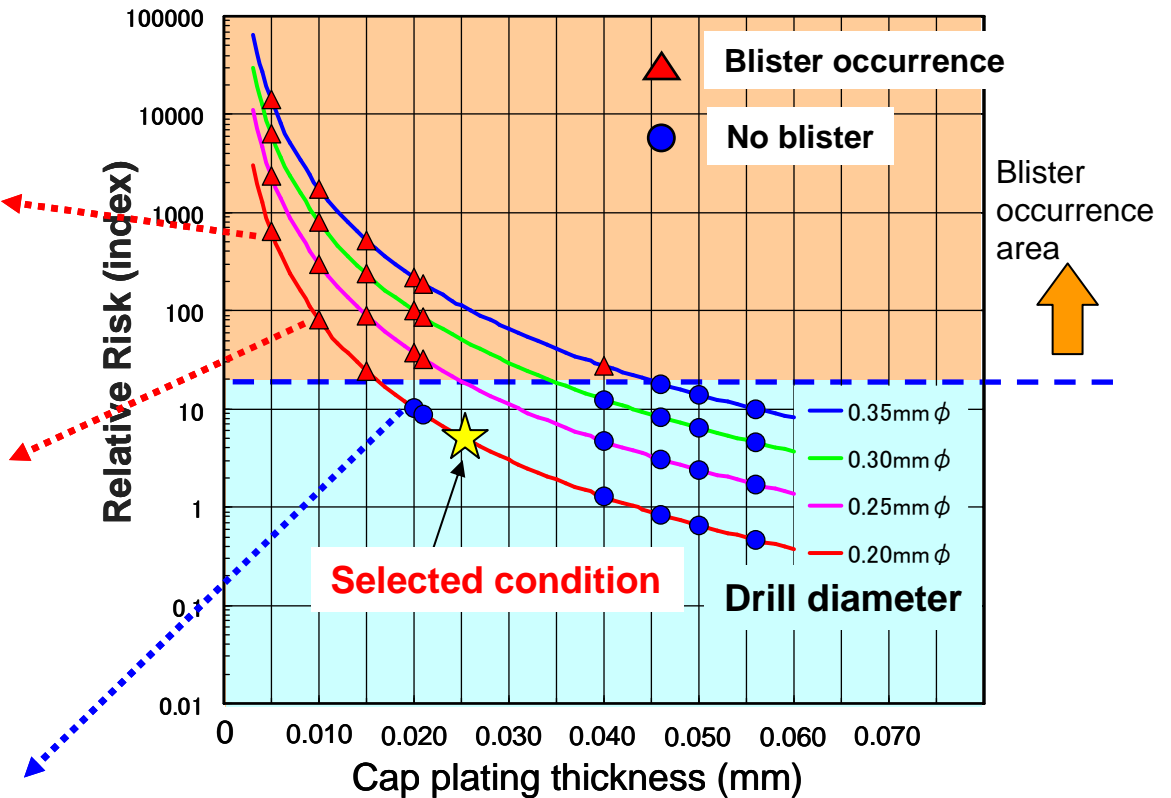
ϕ 0.2mm Cap plating thickness 0.010mm



ϕ 0.2mm Cap plating thickness 0.020mm



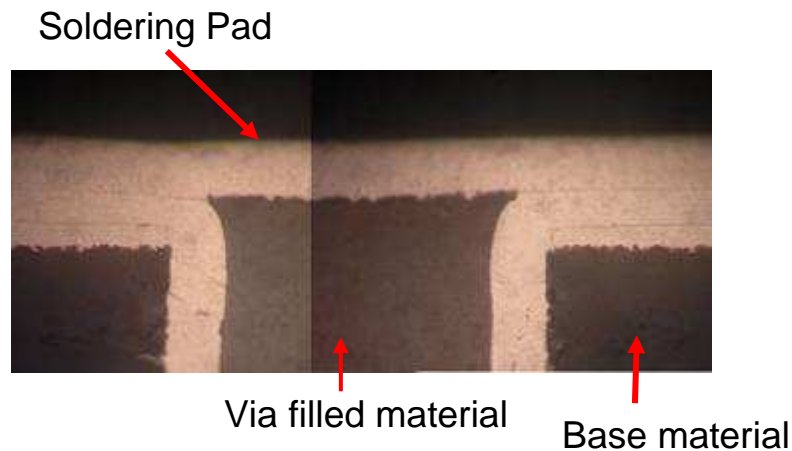
Results of calculation and evaluation



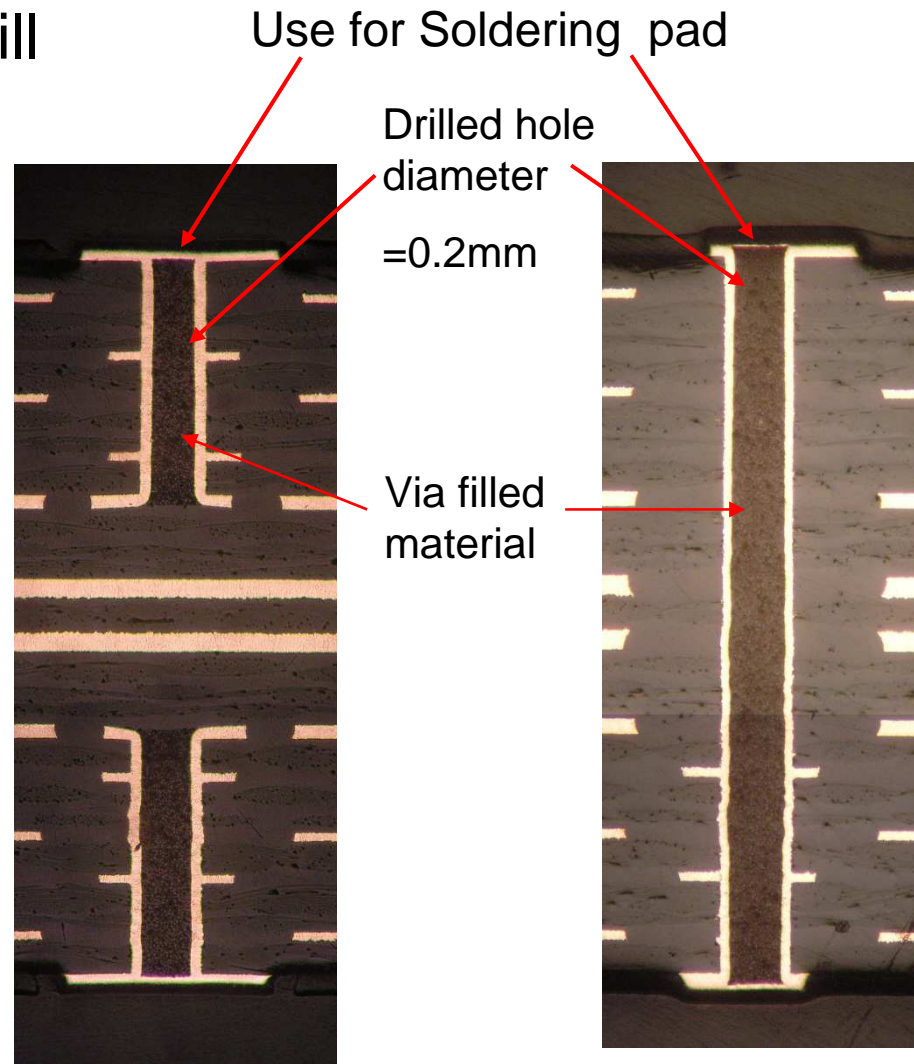
We find that blister occurrence risk decreases by using small drill diameter and thick cap plating from above chart. We selected condition of Via in pad structure with margin. Drill diameter= ϕ 0.20mm, Cap plating thickness=0.025mm(nominal)

Via-in-Pad structure and Via fill

Soldering Pads need flatness of surface without void in solder or other soldering problem. We solved this issue by vacuum via filled technology.



Magnifying of Via-in-Pad

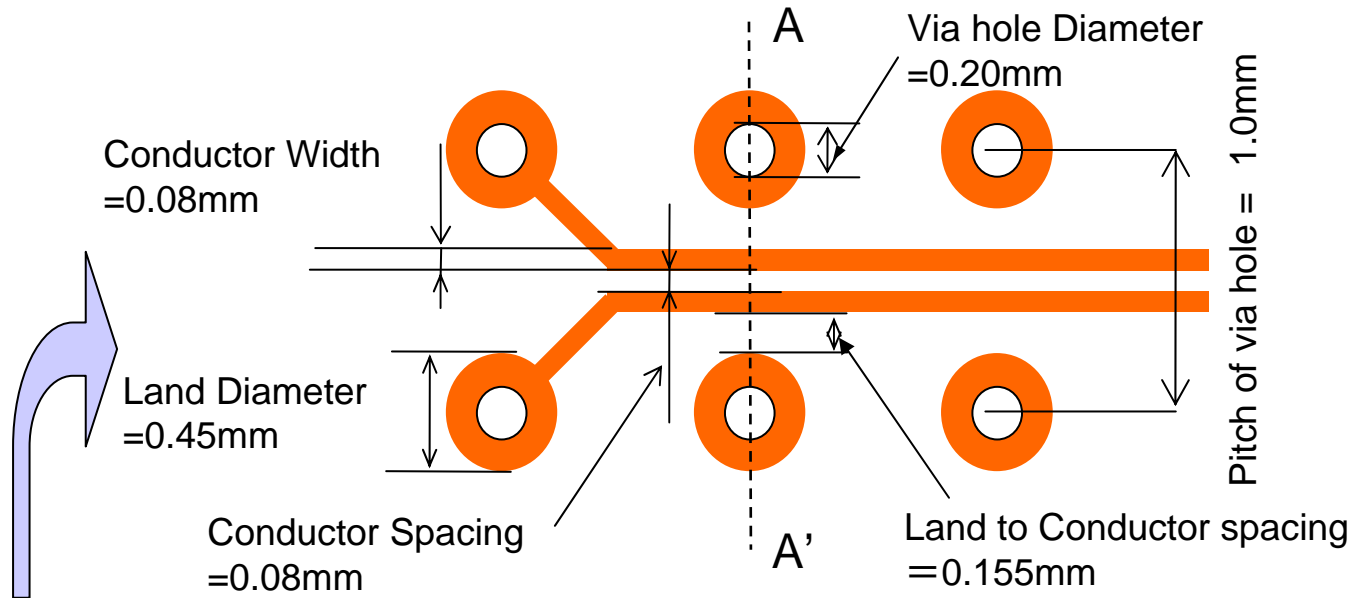


Cross section of Blind Via Holes

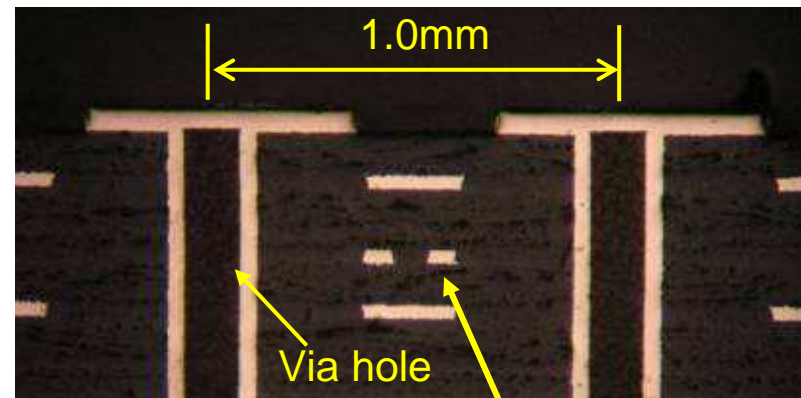
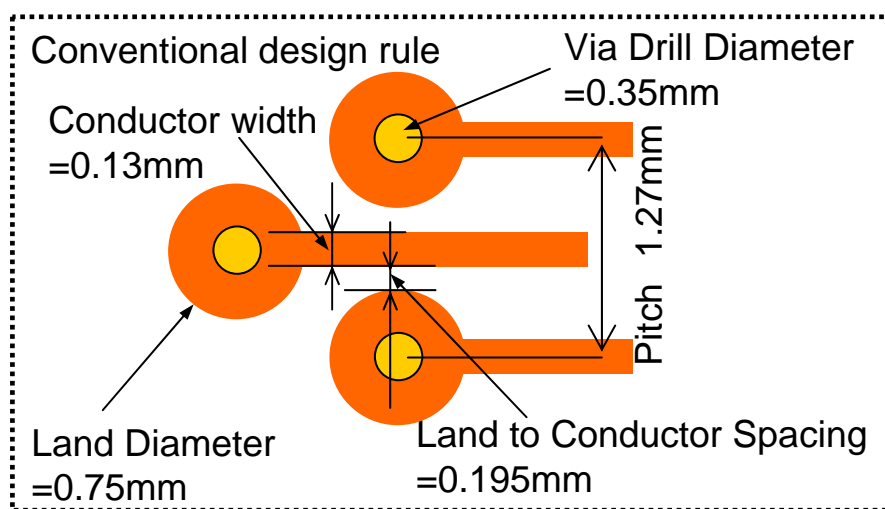
Cross section of Via Hole

3.2 Fine pattern layout

Design for 1.0mm pitch via hole and two signal lines.



Laser direct imaging



Conductor Width and Spacing = 0.08mm/0.08mm

Cross section of A-A'

We passed the Qualification Test under JAXA-QTS-2140 Appendix G.

The main items of QT are as follows;

Item	Requirements	Result
Thermal cycling	-30 to +125 deg.C, 1,000 cycles (Preconditioning : 240 deg.C, max. reflow 3 times)	pass
Solder bath float	288 deg.C , 10 seconds	pass
Hot oil dip Resistance	260deg.C, 10seconds, 10 cycles	pass
Humidity and Insulation Resistance	25 to 65deg.C, 90~98%RH, less than 500M ohm	pass
Dielectric Withstanding Voltage	500Vdc, 30 seconds	pass
Radiation Hardness	1X10 ⁴ Gy, less than 500M ohm	pass

3.4 Specification



Table: Specification JAXA-QTS-2140 Appendix G.

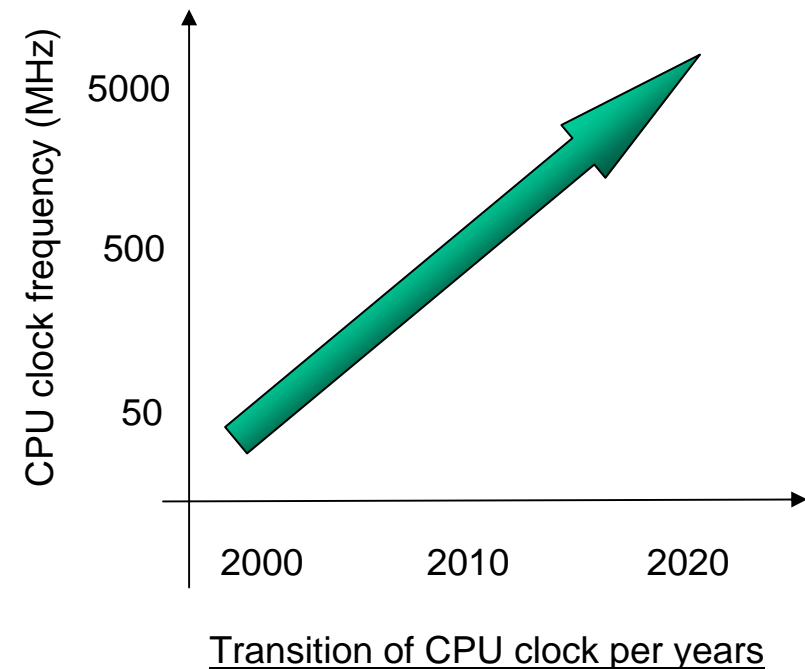
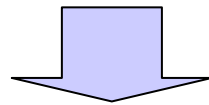
Item		Specification	
Pad	Pitch	1.0mm	
	Structure	Fan out of Pad	Via-in-Pad
Drilled hole diameter		0.20mmDia.	
Conductor (External)	Width	0.10mm	
	Spacing	0.15mm	
Conductor (Internal)	Width	0.08mm	
	Spacing	0.08mm	
Number of Layers	Total	14	
	Blind via	6	
Board thickness	Modified Polyimide	2.1mm	
	HTgFR-4	2.3mm	
Surface finish		HASL*(SnPb solder)	

*Hot Air Solder Leveler

4.PCBs for High Speed digital signal

Target of Development

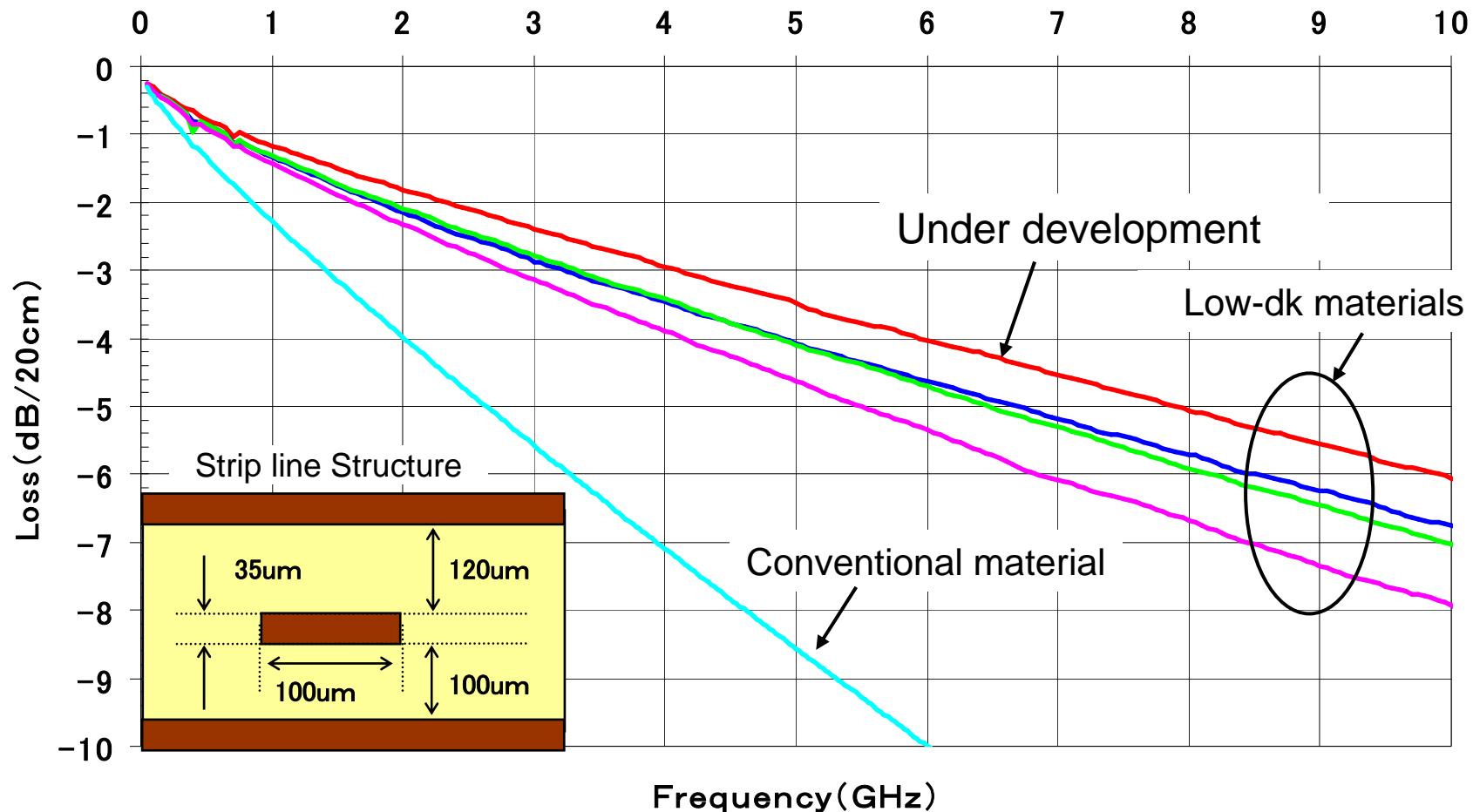
- Frequency : Higher than 1GHz
- Impedance control : +/- 10 %
- Qualified : Oct. 2014



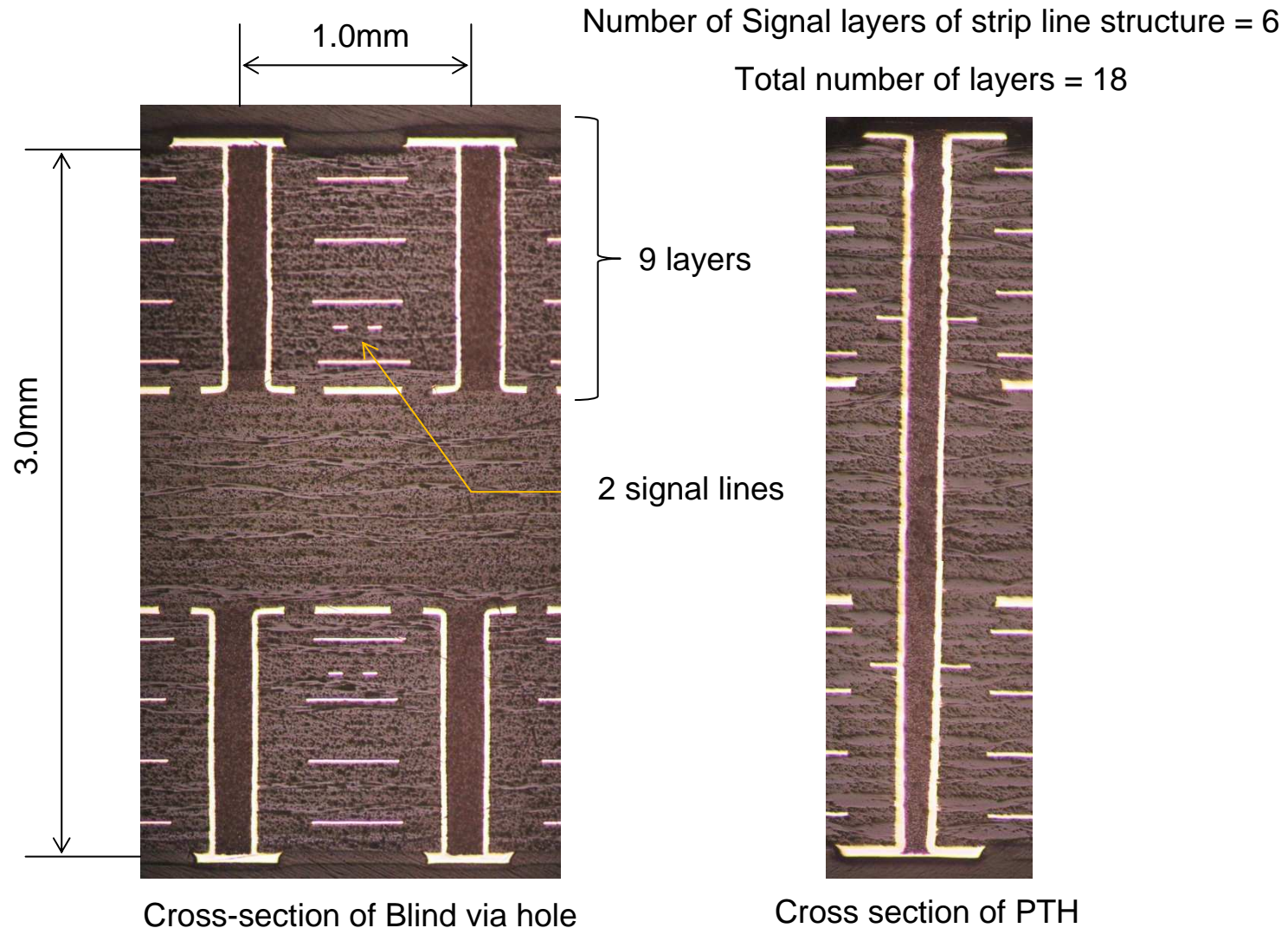
Elemental Technologies

- ✓ Processing technology for low dielectric constant material
- ✓ High accuracy conductor width control
by thin conductor thickness and large number of layers

We evaluated signal loss of 4 types Low dielectric constant (Low-dk) materials and conventional material. We selected the material with best result.



High accuracy conductor width control for characteristic impedance control by thin conductor thickness, low profile copper foil, and large number of layers.



Specification

Item		Specification	
Base Material	Dk (ϵ_r) (1GHz)	3.65	
	Df (tan δ) (1GHz)	0.002	
Pad	Pitch	1.0mm	
	Structure	Fan out of Pad	Via-in-Pad
Drilled hole diameter		0.20mmDia.	
Conductor (External)	Width	0.12mm	
	Spacing	0.14mm	
Conductor (Internal)	Width	0.07mm	
	Spacing	0.08mm	
	Thickness	0.018mm	
Number of Layers	Total	18	
	Blind via	9	
Board thickness		3.0mm	
Surface finish		HASL(SnPb solder)	

5. Summary

- Needs to Printed Circuit Boards for space use are to respond to the high performance and down sizing of electronic components.
 - We were qualified capable PCBs that be 1.0mm pitch and 14 layers for high pin counts BGA/CGAs.
 - We are developing PCBs for high speed digital signal with Low-Dk. (We will finish in September 2014)

Thank you for your attention.

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