

# Fabrication and test of high-temperature ceramic transformer

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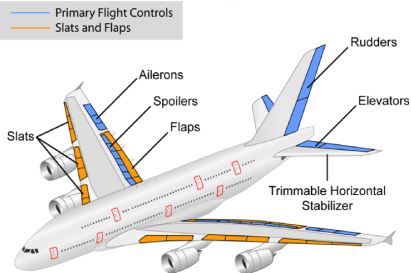
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## Compact and **R**eliable **E**lectronic integrated in **A**ctuators and **M**otors

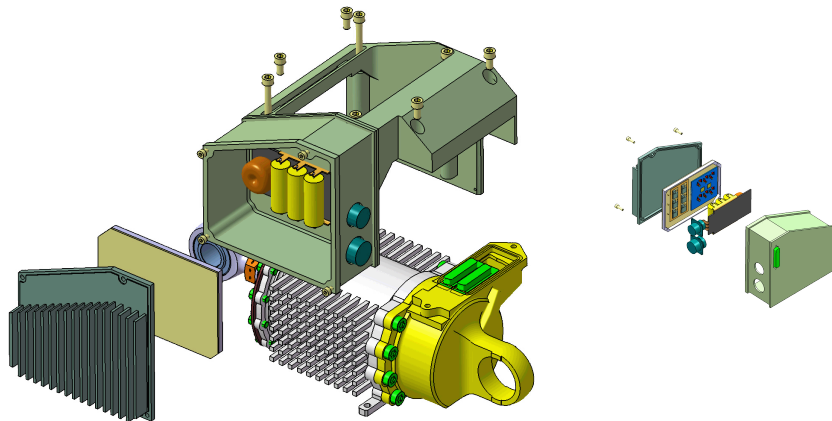
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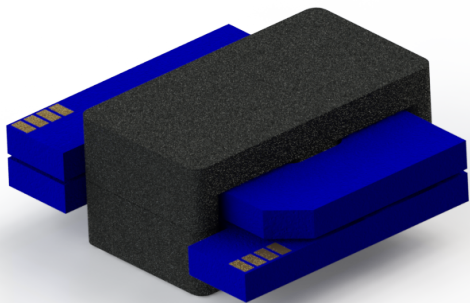
- ▶ Removal of all Aircraft hydraulic and Pneumatic systems
- ▶ All are replaced with Electro-Mechanical Actuators (EMAs)
- ▶ Engines to supply **Propulsion** and **Electricity** only
- ▶ Future Aircraft will have to meet environmental goals while still remaining competitive—requiring a reduction in size, weight and complexity

# High Temperature Electronics

- ▶ Reduce size — Increase power density
- ▶ Reduce complexity — Remove cooling from system
- ▶ Necessitates high temperature ( $200^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) electronics



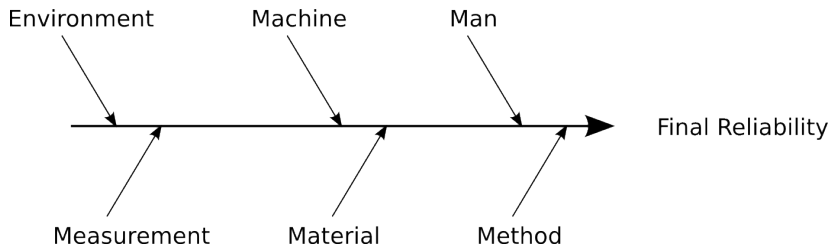
# High Temperature 200°C Transformer



- ▶ 5 windings
- ▶ 2 Sections of LTCC
- ▶ 2 E-cores
- ▶ 250  $\mu\text{m}$  gap for LTCC
- ▶ 40  $\mu\text{m}$  gap between cores

# Reliability

"...in the future there will be less focus on developing precise measurements of failure rate by sampling the output of a manufacturing line, and more focus on understanding and controlling the many input variables of a manufacturing line which ultimately affects the product reliability" — Crook, 1990



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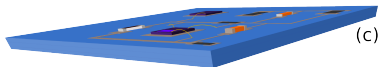
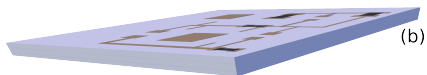
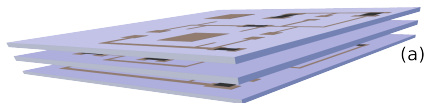
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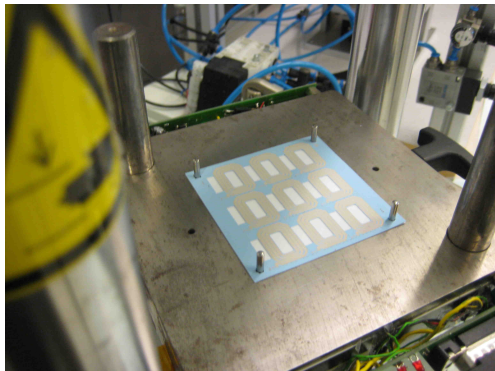


# LTCC Process



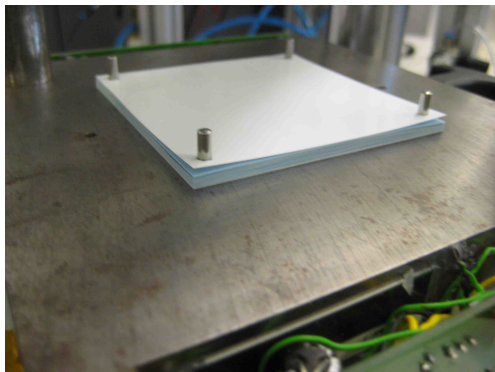
- ▶ (a) Collation
- ▶ (b) Lamination
- ▶ (c) Firing and Post-process

# Screen Printing



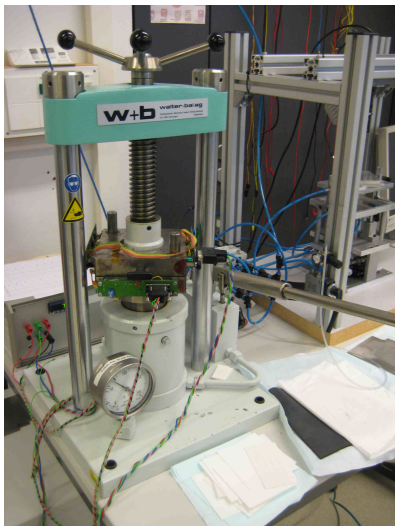
- ▶ Windings printed on green tape
- ▶ Laser cutting for vias
- ▶ Via fill with screen printer

# Stacking



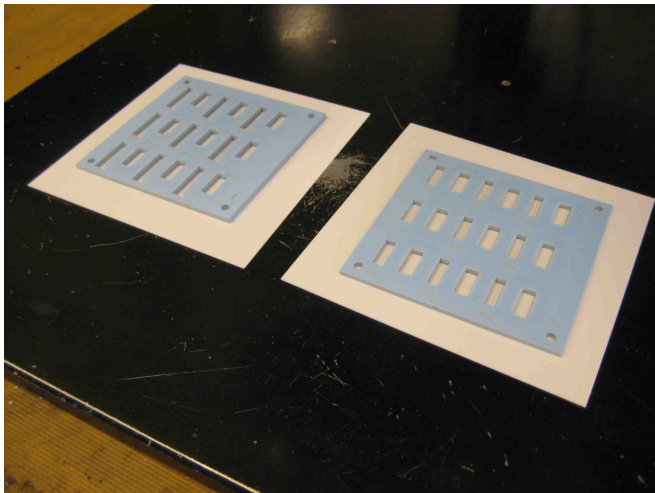
- ▶ Layers aligned with pins
- ▶ 15 layers bottom section, 17 top
- ▶ Tedlar sheets top/bottom

# Lamination



- ▶ Uniaxial Lamination at  $70^{\circ}\text{C}$
- ▶ Pressure 14 — 18 MPa
- ▶ 10 minutes

# Lamination



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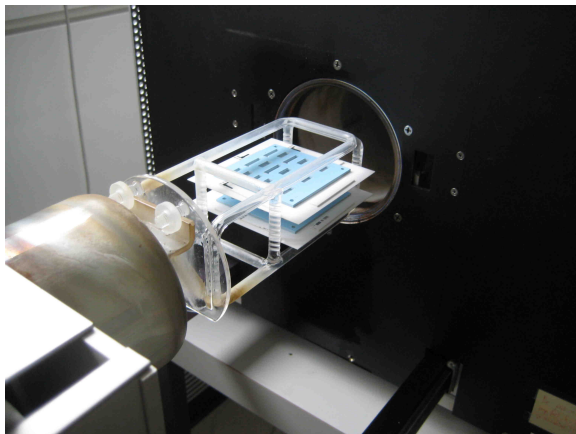
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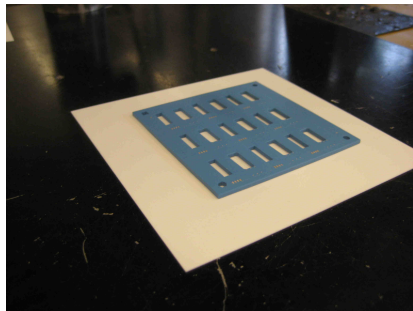
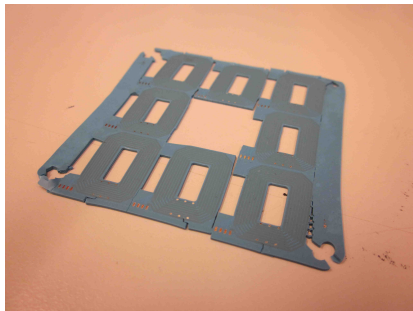
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# LTCC Furnace



- ▶ Co-Fired in Box Furnace
- ▶ 90 minutes at 400°C
- ▶ 30 minutes at 896°C

# Fired substrates



- ▶ Versions with both 50  $\mu\text{m}$  and 114  $\mu\text{m}$
- ▶ High amount of deformation and cracking with 50  $\mu\text{m}$  version



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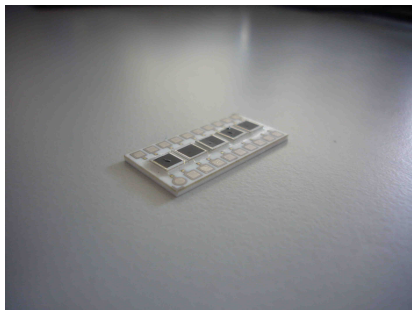
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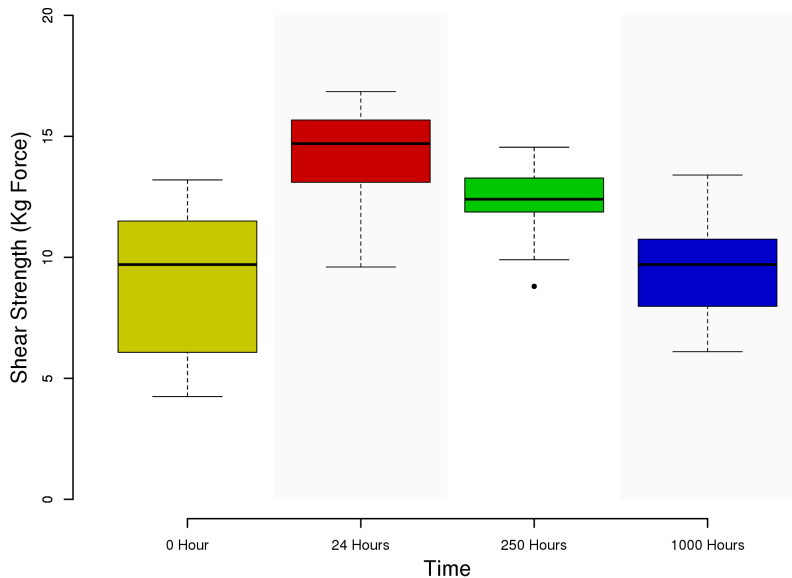
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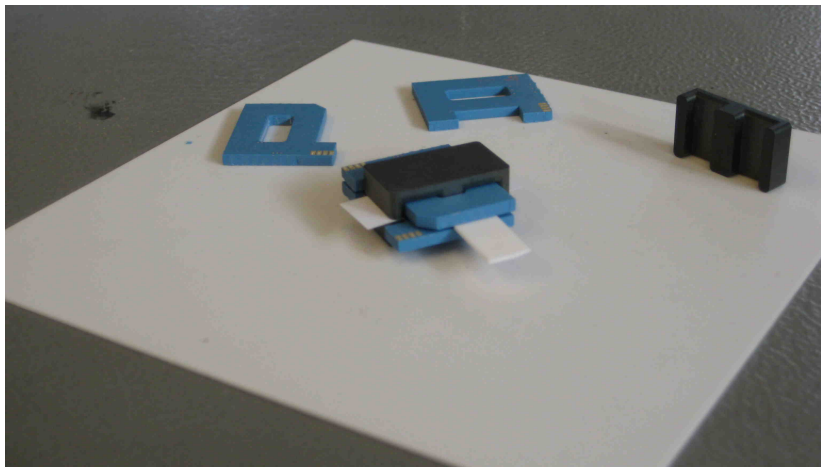


- ▶ Test vehicle for silicone attach
- ▶ 1000 hours at 210°C
- ▶ Shear tests at 0, 24, 250, 1000 hours

# Test of Silicone



# Transformer Assembly



# Completed Transformers



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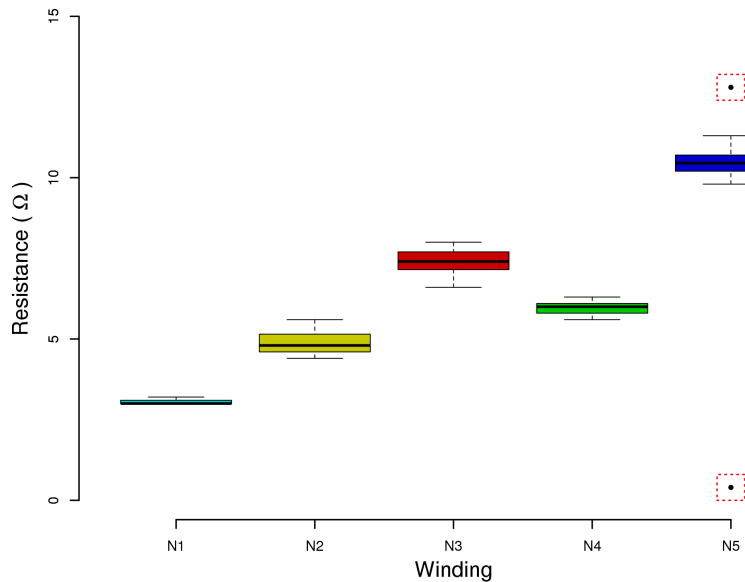
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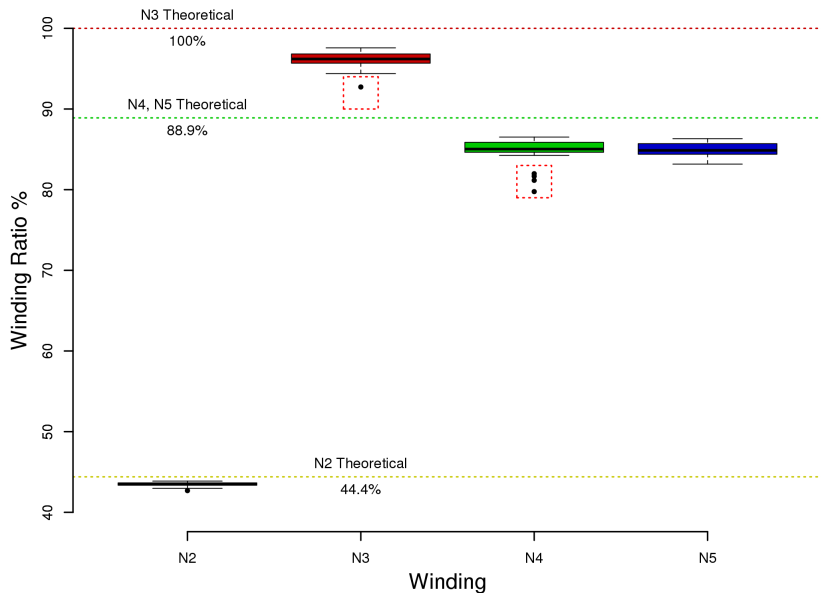
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# Winding Ratio





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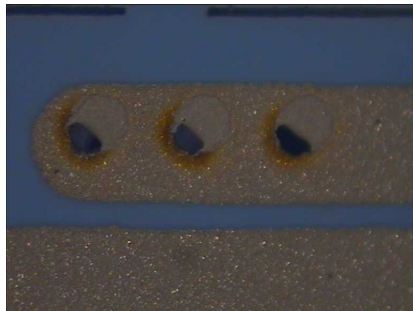
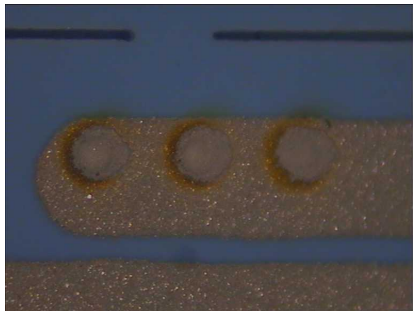
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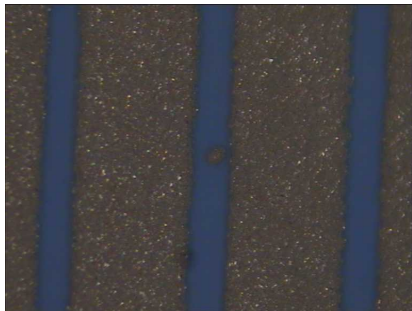
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# Vias



- ▶ Vias critical part of assembly
- ▶ Production yield to 66%

# Conductors



- ▶ Search possible short circuits
- ▶ Increase production yield to 77%

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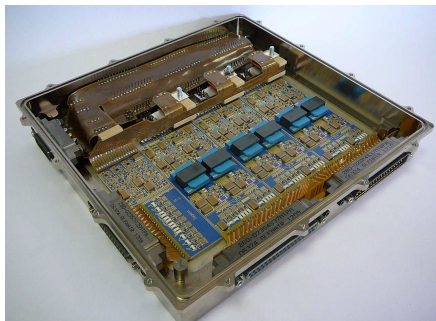
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- ▶ Fabrication of transformer described
- ▶ Analysis of assembly materials
- ▶ Test of transformers
- ▶ Inspection of LTCC green tapes

# Thank you for your attention



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