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Session 3

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Session Chair

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Performance Day

Monday March 6 - 4:30 pm

Reality Check

"Augmenting form factor designs with validation and debug capability"

John Kelbert - Intel Corporation

"New Possibility with Coax Via Risers"

Matthew Priolo, Adrian Rodriguez, Christopher Kinney, Adewale Oladeinde – Intel

"Processes for Validating and Maintaining Electrical DUT Interfaces"

Martin Gao, Carolina Lock - Texas Instruments

New Possibility with Coax Via Risers

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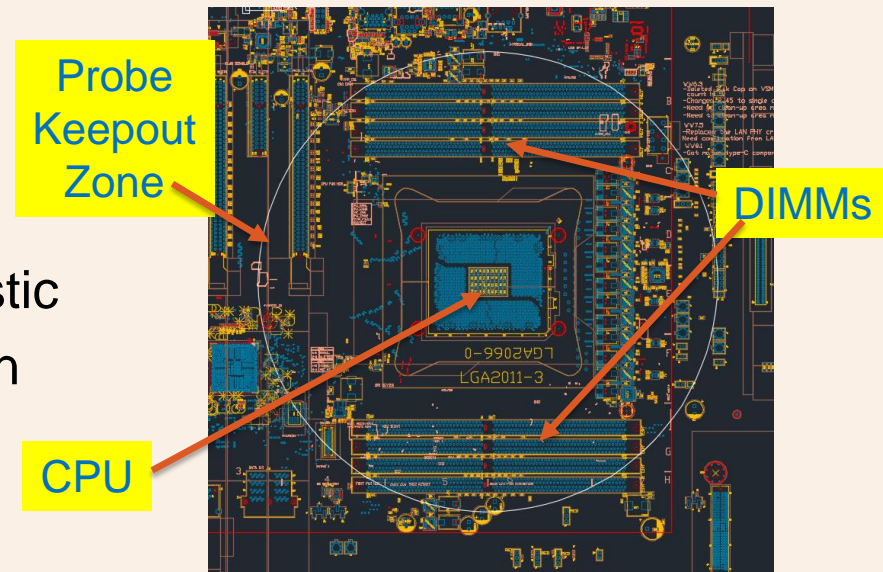
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- Problem Statement
- Solution Space
- Proposed Strategy
- Simulation Results
 - Stacking Effect
 - SI / Power Impact
- Actual Solution

Problem Statement

- Enable Silicon Debug Team to probe the die.
 - The Probe Tools require 12" Diameter keepout (Cooling plate) which conflicts with components that are 35 mm tall.

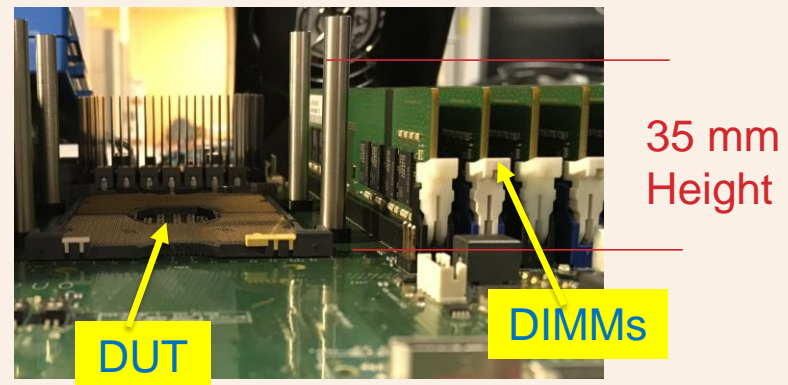
- Previous Strategy
 - Special Skew Platform
 - More Resource / Logistic
 - Started After Power On



Platform to Probe

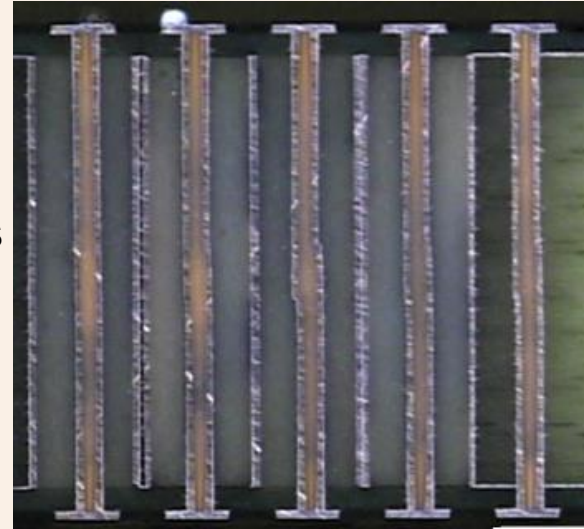
Solution Space

- Requirement
 - Height > 35 mm
 - Withstand Thermal Cycling
 - Mechanical Rigid/Stable
 - Operate at Full Speed
 - Low Impact on Power Delivery
 - IR Drop
 - Low Impact on Signal Integrity
 - Controlled Impedance
 - Low Coupling



Solution Strategy: Coax Via PCB Riser

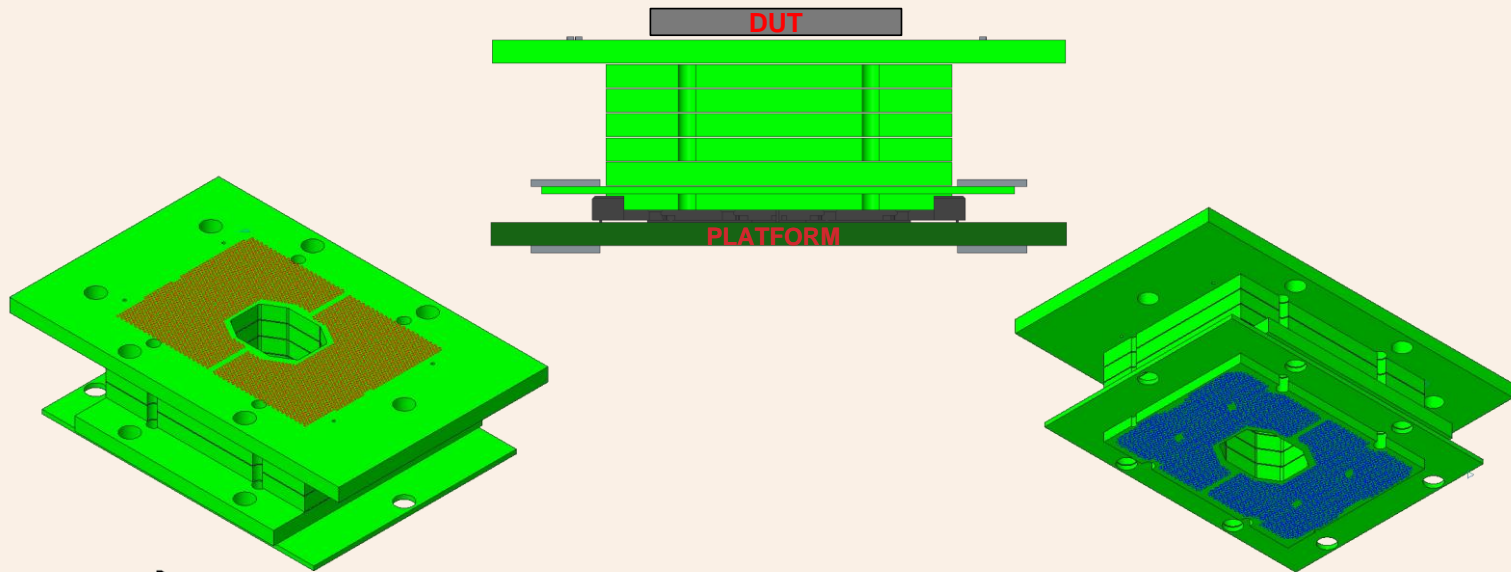
- Riser
 - PCB with Top and Bottom footprint map 1:1
 - Height Limitation related to aspect ratio
- Coax: Drill within a Drill
 - Buried Outer Via
 - Shorted to GND Plane / GND Pins
 - Inner Drill
 - Signal, Through hole



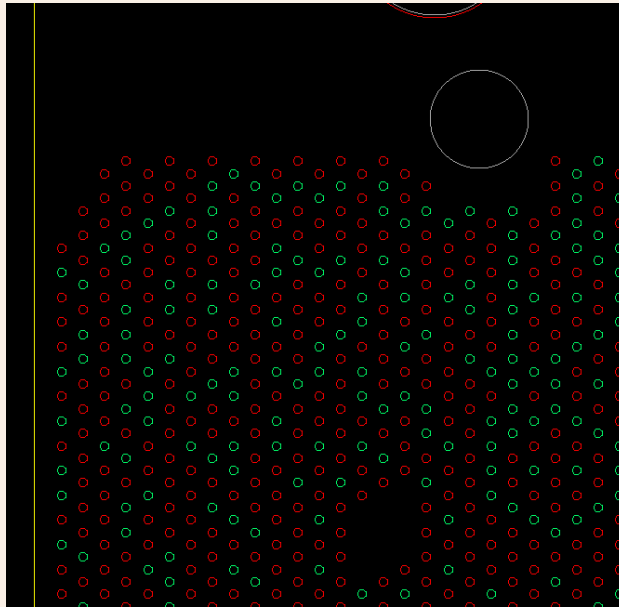
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Proposed Solution

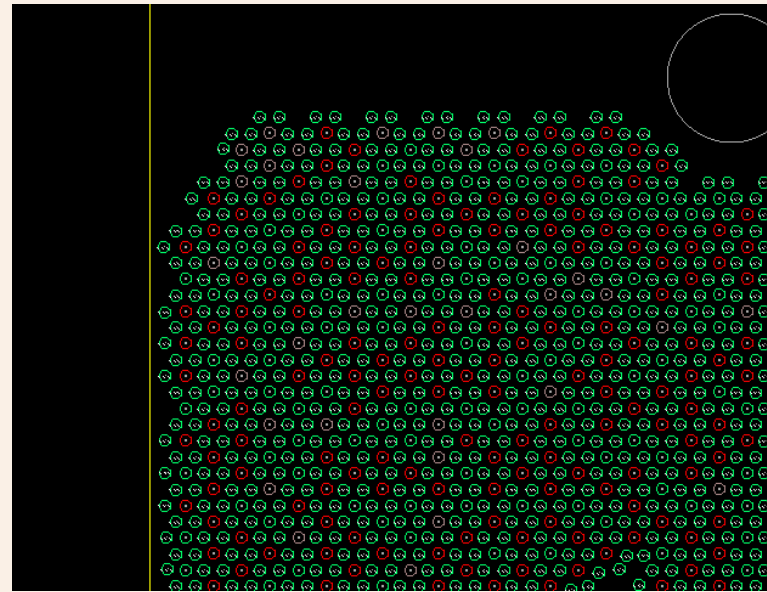
- (7) 5mm Stacked Coax Risers
- GND Grid Solder Ball Attached
- Additional Decoupling Capacitor on Top Riser



Proposed Solution: Ground Grid Solder Ball



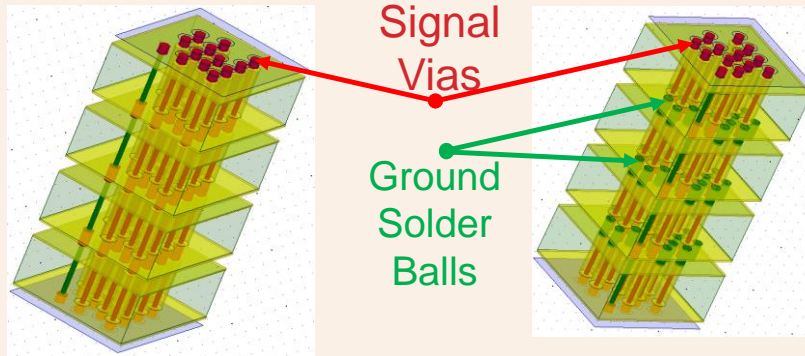
DUT PINS



DUT PINS w/ Added Gnd
Pads
(Connected to GND Layer by laser)

Simulation: GND Grid Solderball

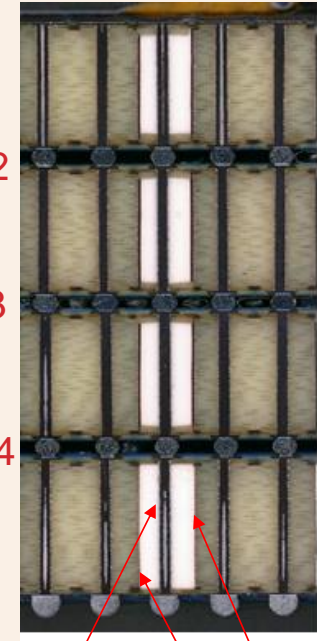
Simulation of Grid Impact



Interconnect 1-2

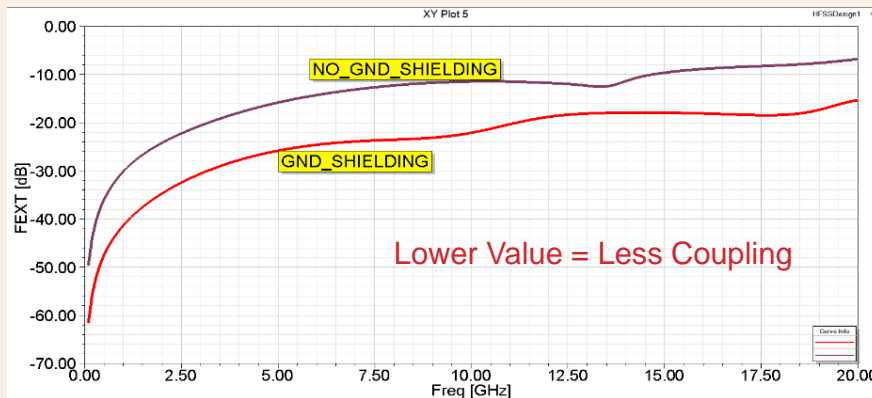
Interconnect 2-3

Interconnect 3-4



Coax Signal

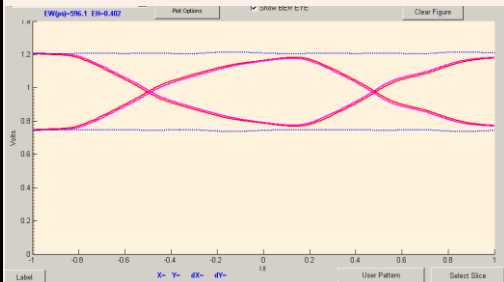
GND Walls



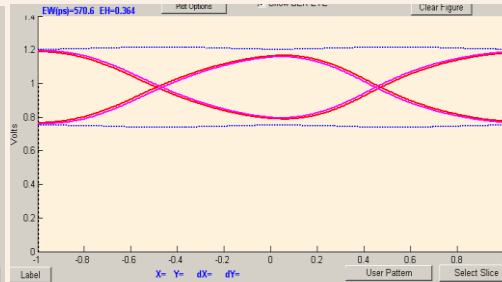
Simulation: DDR @1600MTs

Results

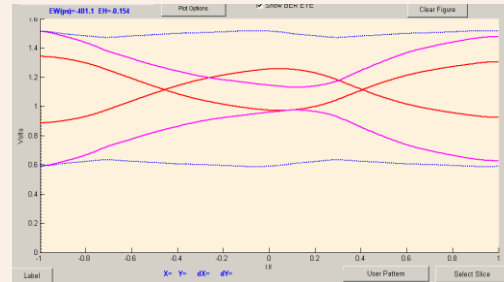
	No Riser	35 mm Riser	35 mm Riser (No Shielding)
EyeWidth (pS)	596.1	570.6	-401.1
EyeHeight (mV)	402	364	-154



No Riser (Nominal)



35 mm Coax Riser

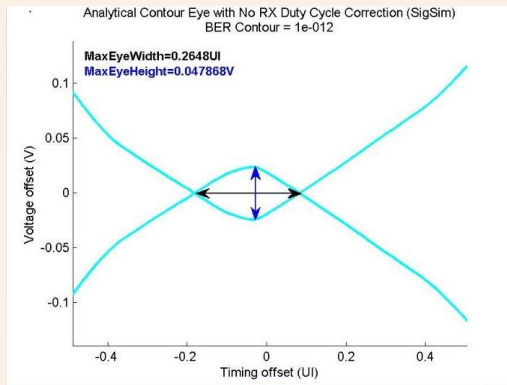


35 mm NonCoax Riser

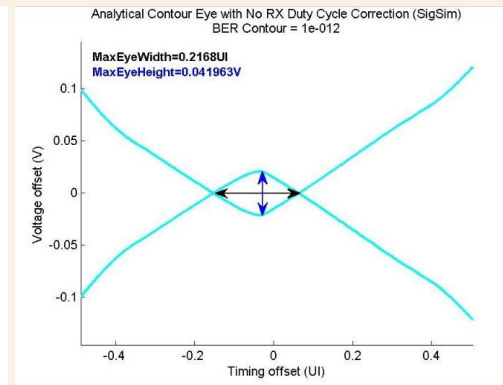
Simulation: PCIe Gen3

Results

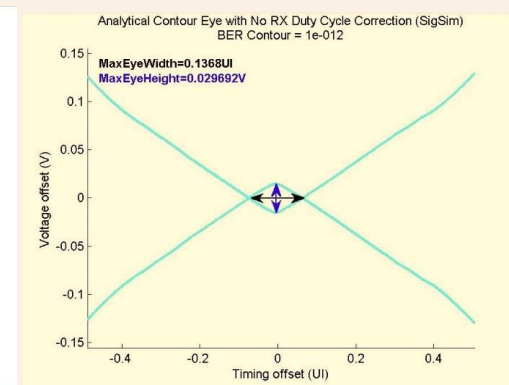
	No Riser	35 mm Riser	35 mm Riser (No Shielding)
EyeWidth (UI)	0.2648	0.2168	0.1368
EyeHeight (mV)	0.047868	0.041963	0.029692



No Riser (Nominal)



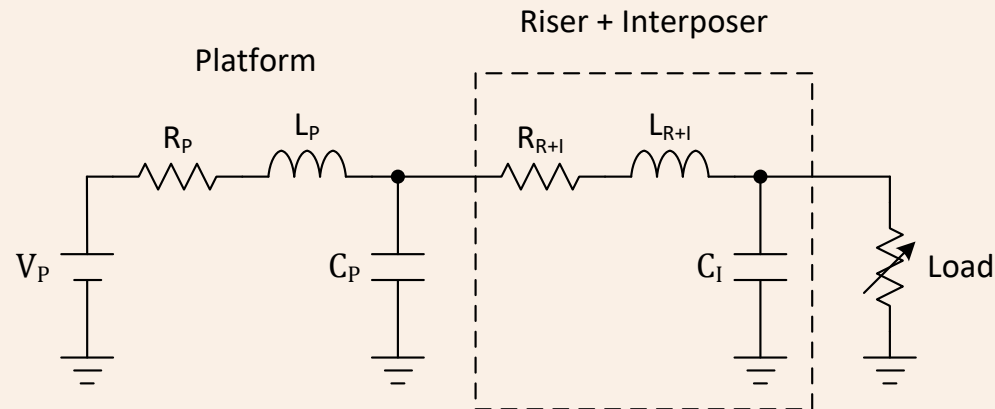
35 mm Coax Riser



35 mm NonCoax Riser

Simulation: Power Integrity

Basic Power Delivery Model



Effect	Riser and interposer (R+I) add additional parasitic resistance and inductance
Result	Reduces platform power delivery bandwidth. Impedance Profile will be higher (Z vs F).
Solution	Interposer load side capacitors (C_I) mitigate bandwidth degradation

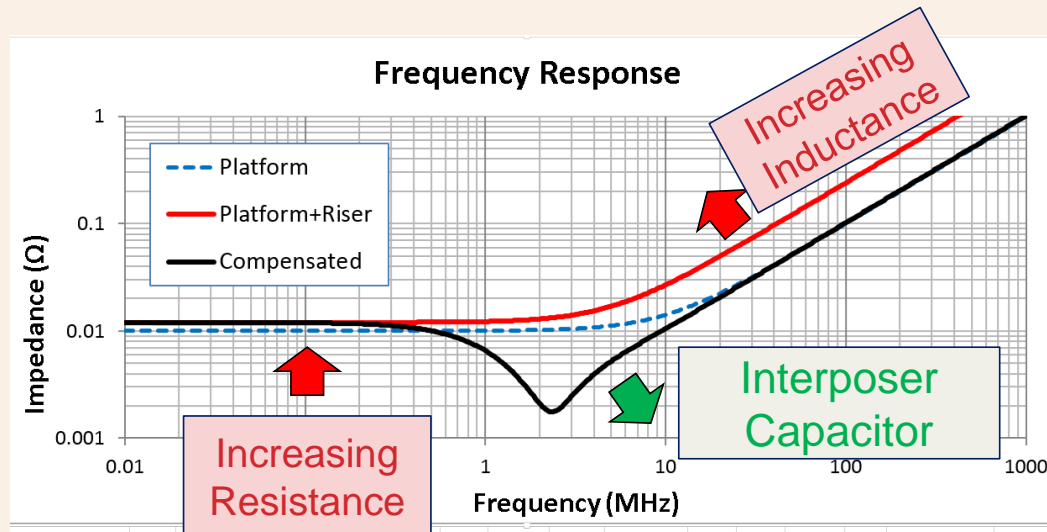
Simulation: Power Integrity

- Inductance will increase, impacting Higher frequency response

$$L_{via} = 5.08h \left[\ln \frac{4h}{d} + 1 \right]$$

$$L_{COAX} \approx \mu_0 \mu_r / (2\pi) * \ln(D/d) * L$$

- Resistance will increase. **Resistance = Resistivity*Length/Area**
 - Inductance/Resistance is function of # of Pin Associated to power Rail.

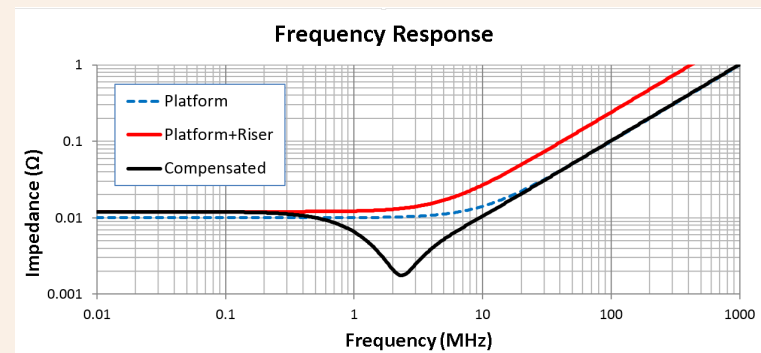


New Possibility With Coax Via Risers

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Simulation: Power Integrity

- Higher Frequency
 - Primarily impacted by the Increased Inductance
 - Localized decoupling
 - $\frac{1}{4}$ of capacitors on platform seemed to be a good starting point
- Lower Frequencies
 - Primarily impacted by the Increased Resistance
 - Bulk Capacitors
 - Remote Sensing



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Final Solution: Views

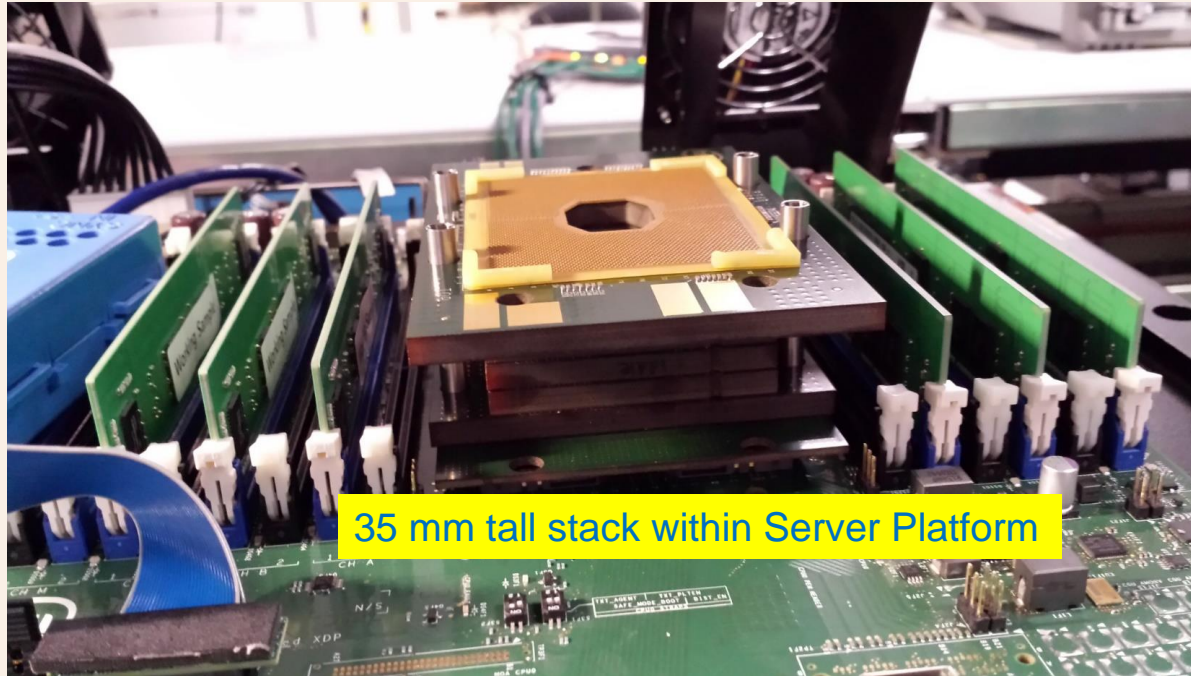


Top view w/ Server CPU



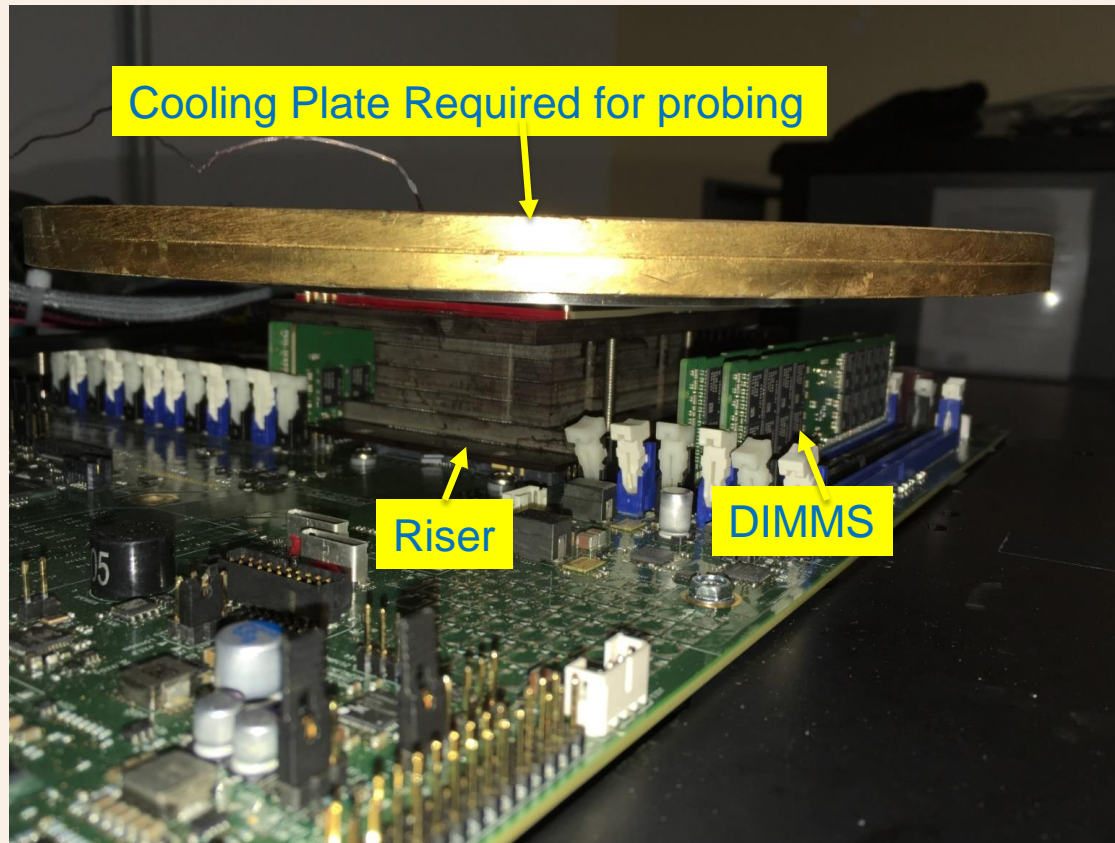
Profile view of assembled stack

Final Solution: Platform



Yes, It Booted

Final Solution: Platform

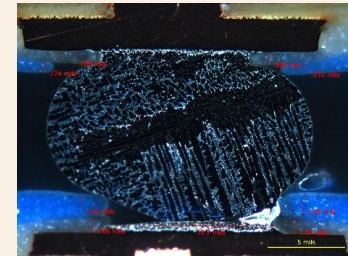


Final Solution: Testing

- Signal Integrity
 - Boots & all interfaces are functional
 - DDR – Evaluated at 2666 MTs
 - Riser Impact of 66pS/70 mV (biggest single bit difference)
- Power Integrity
 - Testing Adding and Removing caps
 - Inconclusive, we have a feeling something else might be impacting behavior (BIOS / Training)

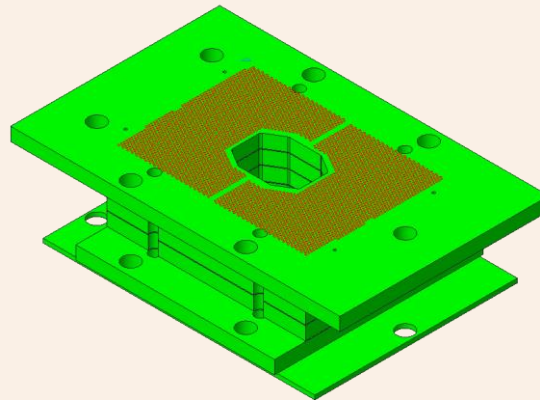
Final Solution: Challenges Faced

- Assembly Testability
 - Short / Open / Continuity Testing Methodology
 - SM Issues – Too thick
- Fab
 - Had Early Delamination - Material Change
 - Coax Shorting - Fab process change



Summary

- The Proposed Solution
 - Reduced the need for a special platform skew
 - Minimized the Z axis coupling
 - Created a controlled impedance environment
 - Provided necessary Z height to rise above keepout zones



Summary

- Coax Risers Enables
 - New Test / Observation Strategies
 - Move Coverage
 - Platform Configuration
 - “Any Platform” Debug
 - Available at Power On
 - “Sky’s the Limits” Solution 😊
- Complements BiTS2017 Presentation
 - “Augmenting Form Factor Designs with Validation and Debug Capability”
 - Interposers will become more robust