

INTT BusExtender

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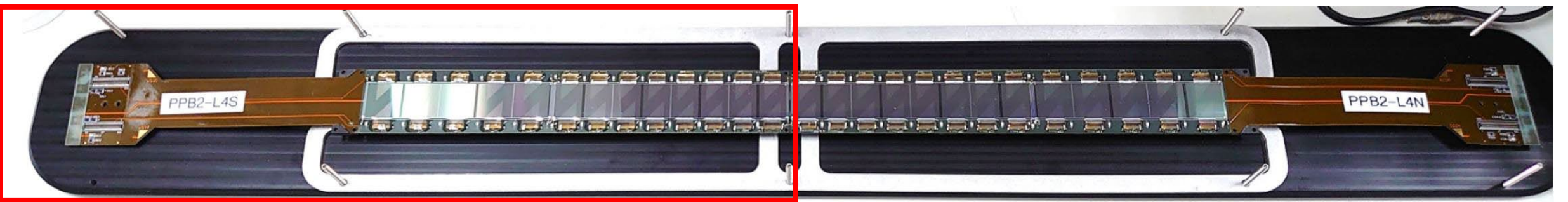
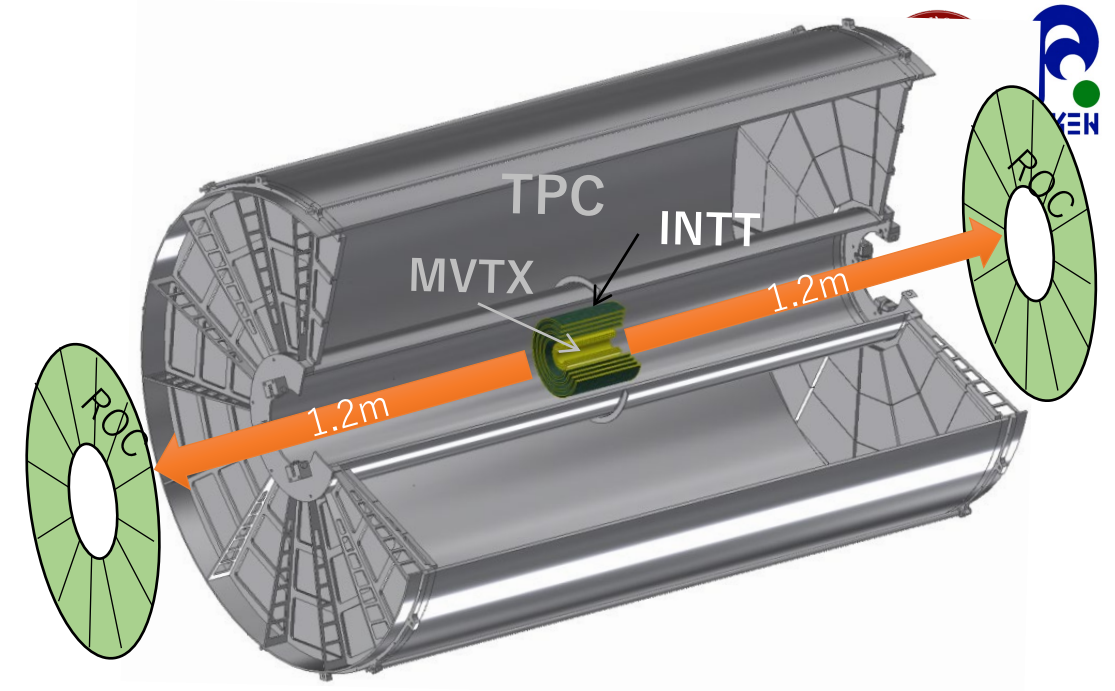
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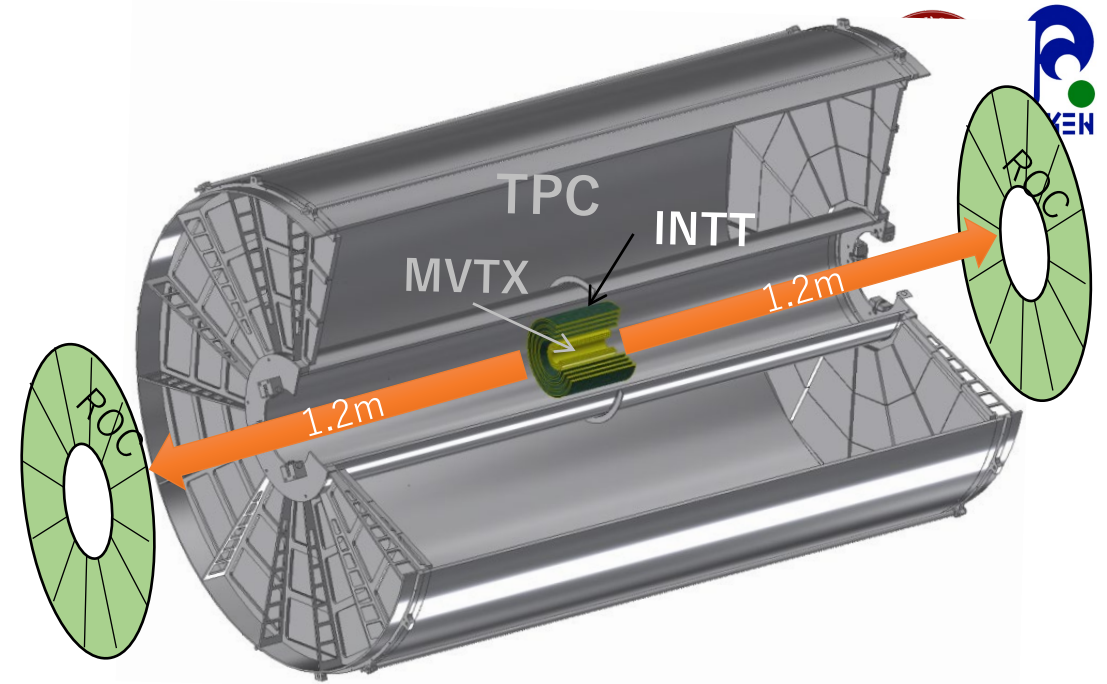
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Bus-Extender : Long and high signal-density cable

- ROC board : 1.2 m away from INTT
- Space is tight (only a few cm btw TPC and MVTX)

Requirements

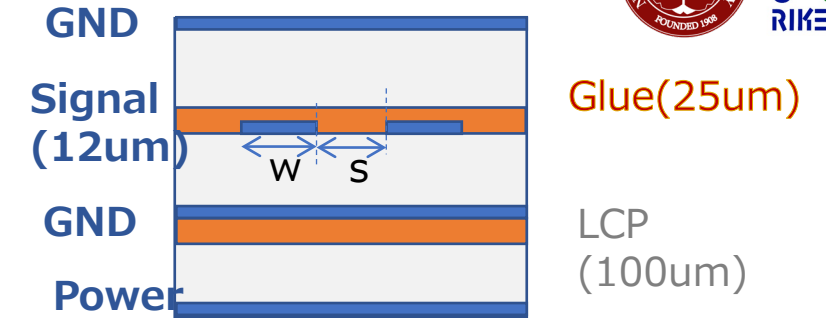
- Length: $\sim 120\text{cm}$
- Line density = 62 LVDS pairs and + Power/GND
- **Data speed = 200 Mbps LVDS ($Z_{\text{diff}}=100\Omega$)**
- Space : less than $\sim 5\text{cm}$ width w/ flexibility



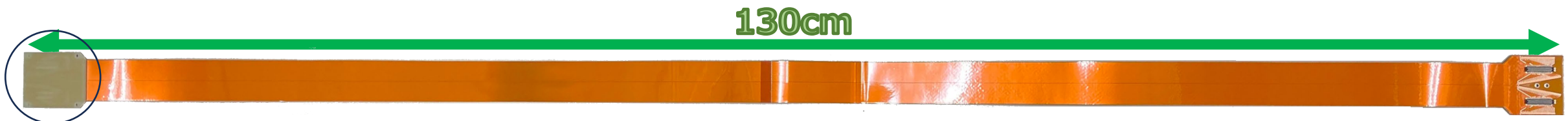
No commercial cable available in the market. We developed

Bux-Ext development

- We adopt Flex PCB technology because of fine wiring and flexibility
- Bus-Ext prototype :
 - Structure
 - 130 x 3.5 cm²
 - 4 layers including signal, power, GND layers
 - 62 LVDS pairs (Line and space : 130 & 130 μm)
 - Impedance control : Z_{diff} : 100Ω w/ strip line
 - **Substrate : Liquid Crystal Polymer (LCP)**
 - Signal loss smaller than Polyimide for Hi freq (small dissipation-tangent)
 - Connector at both side
 - Final design was determined using EM SIM for PCB



They are laminated w/ glue sheet



Transmission loss w/ freq

- LCP has a smaller tangent
 - Normal FPC is made from Polyimide(Capton)
- BuxExt used LCP+Cu(12um)

	LCP	Polyimide
Dielectric Constant	3.0@2GHz	3.2@ 1GHz
Dissipation tangent	0.0008 @ 2GHz	0.0085@1GHz

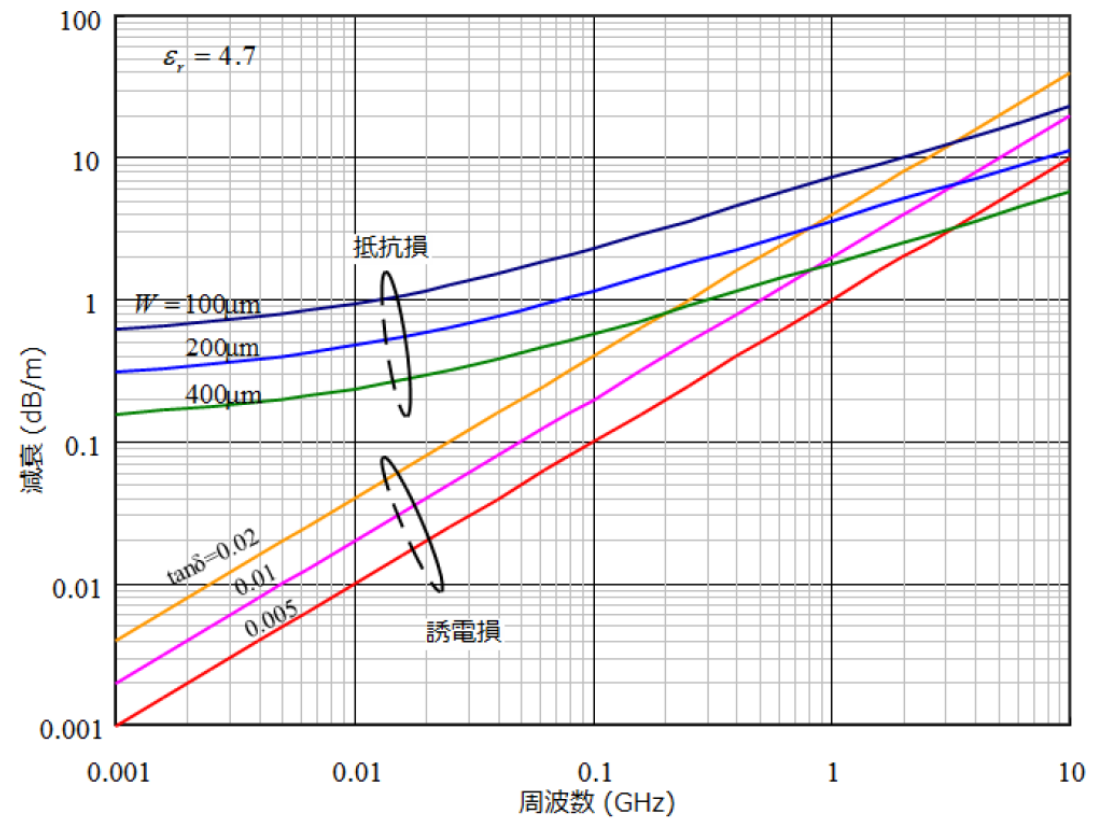
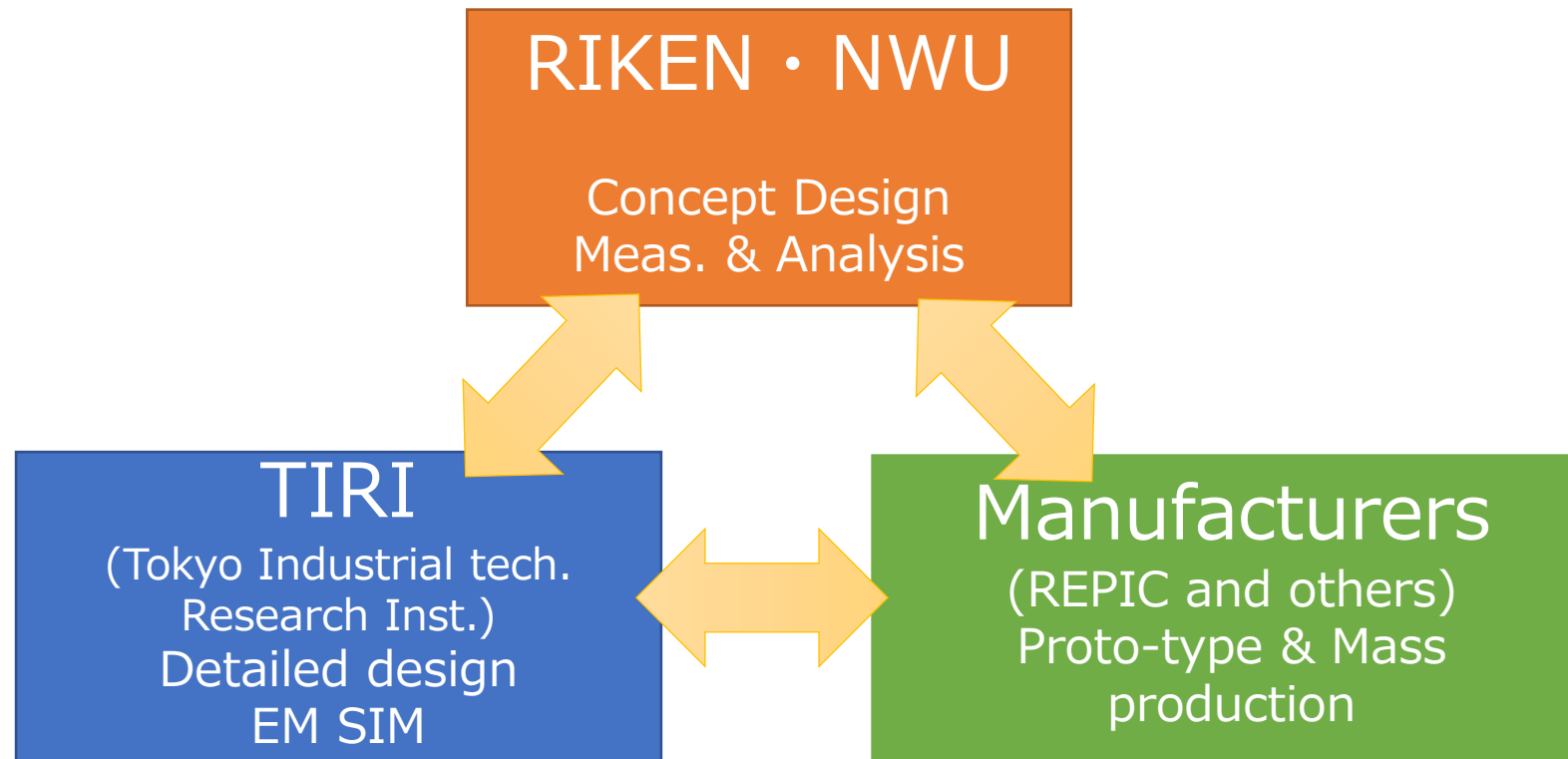


図 1： 抵抗損失と誘電損失の周波数特性（碓井有三氏から引用）

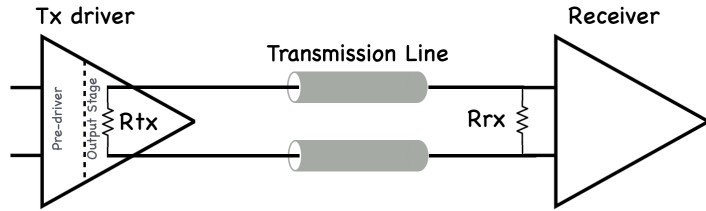
BusExt Collaboration



- Study what is the technical limits
- Evaluate about electrical characteristics by simulation prior the prototype production
- Prote-type, Pre-Production, Mass production

Impedance control Z

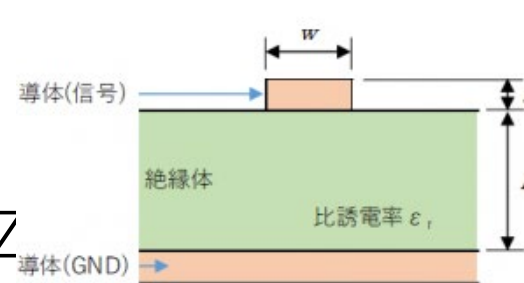
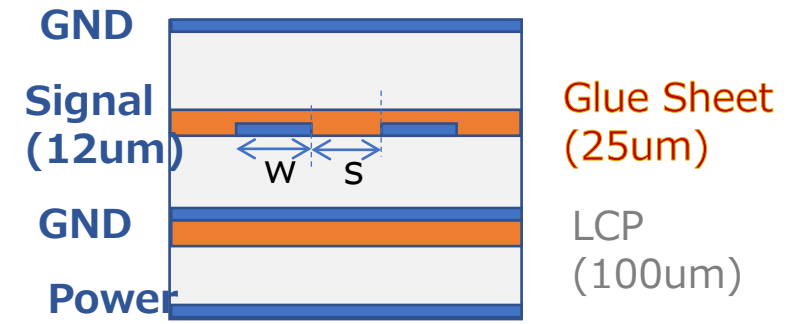
- Diff -Z should be 100Ω for LVDS transmission (Z=50Ω for single)



- BusExt used “strip-line” structure to control Z

- Difficulties in manufacturing

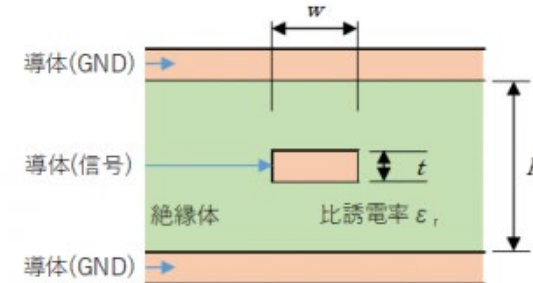
- hard to make “narrow” signal line uniformly for 130cm
- 130um width is minimum (said). Then substrate should be thick (100um thick)
- Why it is hard
 - In the FPC production, line uniformity is limited by each Light exposure and Etching process
- Standard FPC
 - 50um line width + 50um thick Polyimide



$$Z_0 = \frac{87}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r + 1.414}} \times \ln \frac{5.98h}{0.8w + t}$$

図1. マイクロストリップライン断面図

Micro strip-line



$$Z_0 = \frac{60}{\sqrt{\epsilon_r}} \times \ln \frac{4h}{0.67\pi w \left(0.8 + \frac{t}{w}\right)}$$

図2. ストリップライン断面図

strip-line

Production process

Single layer

Make Photo-Mask

Light-Exposure to print

Etching to make lines

Multi-layers

Laminate / heat and pressure

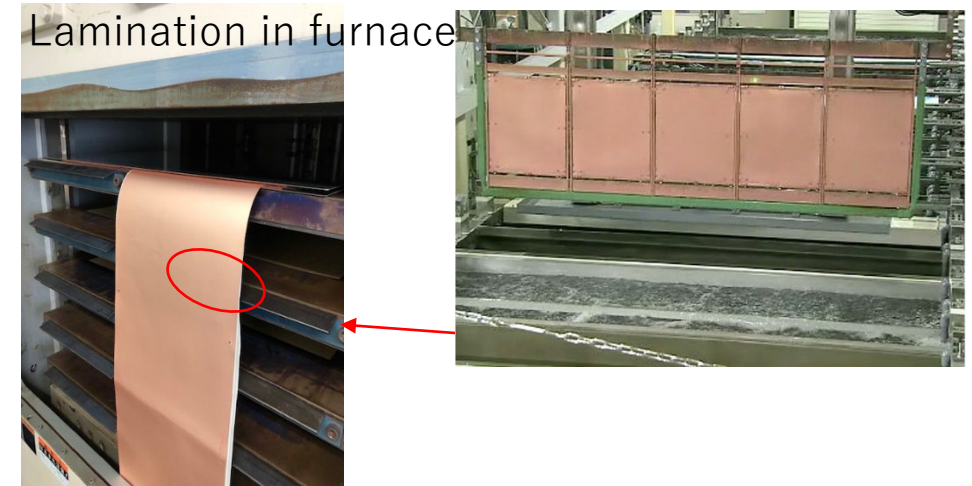
Thru-hole

Drill + Plating to make electrical contact

Surface

Mounting conn. and cleaning

used high precision printer $\pm 3 \mu\text{m}$

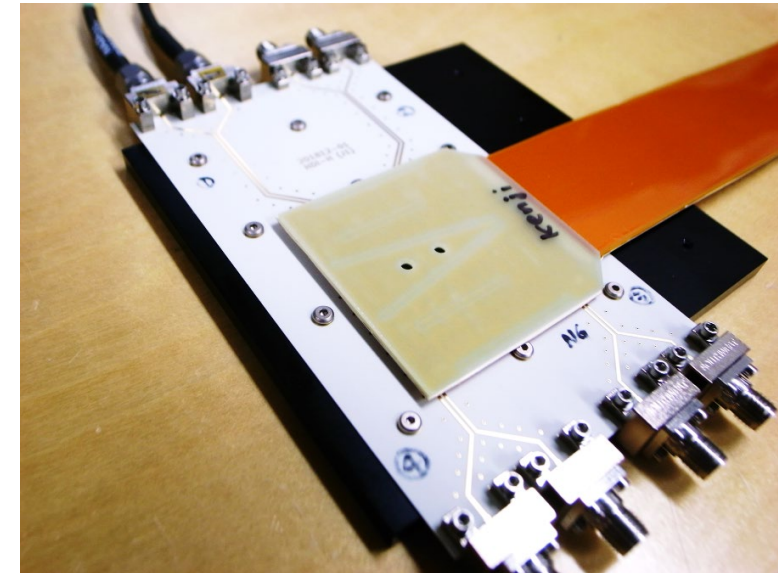


- No single manufacturer can make this.
 - No manufacturing equip. available for long FPC (standard FPC size is upto $50 \times 50 \text{cm}^2$)
 - We asked 4 manufacturers (FPC, drill, plating, surface treatment)
- All the processes was done in Japan

Bus Extender Performance

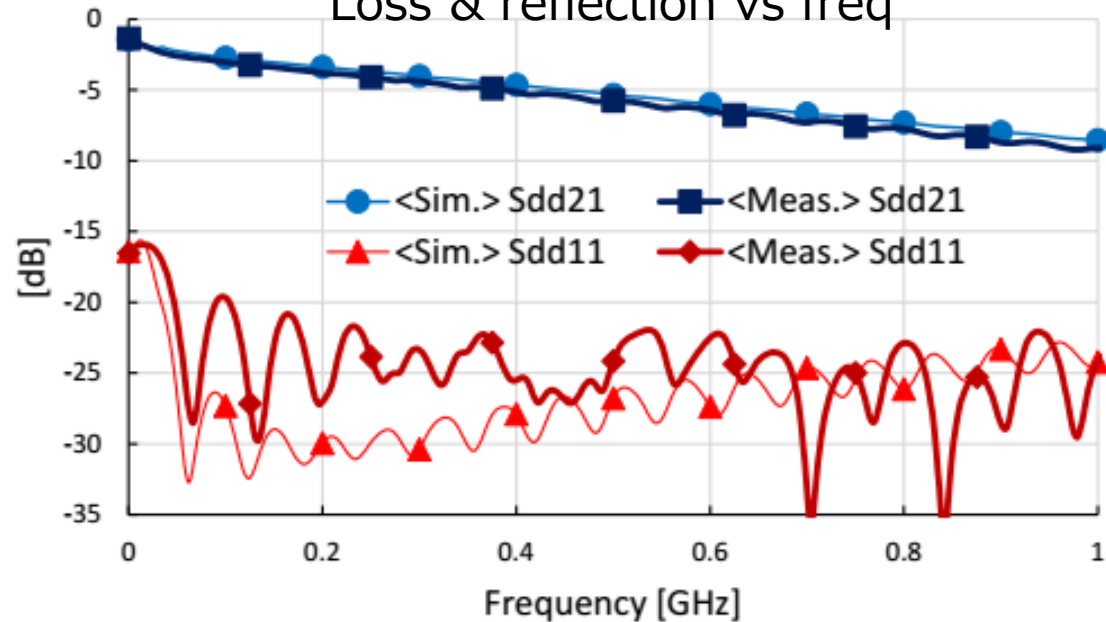


- Electrical properties
 - Signal loss vs freq. ,
 - Z_{diff} by TDR
 - Eye diagram
- Mechanical property
 - Accuracy of line & space
- Aging test
- Radiation hardness

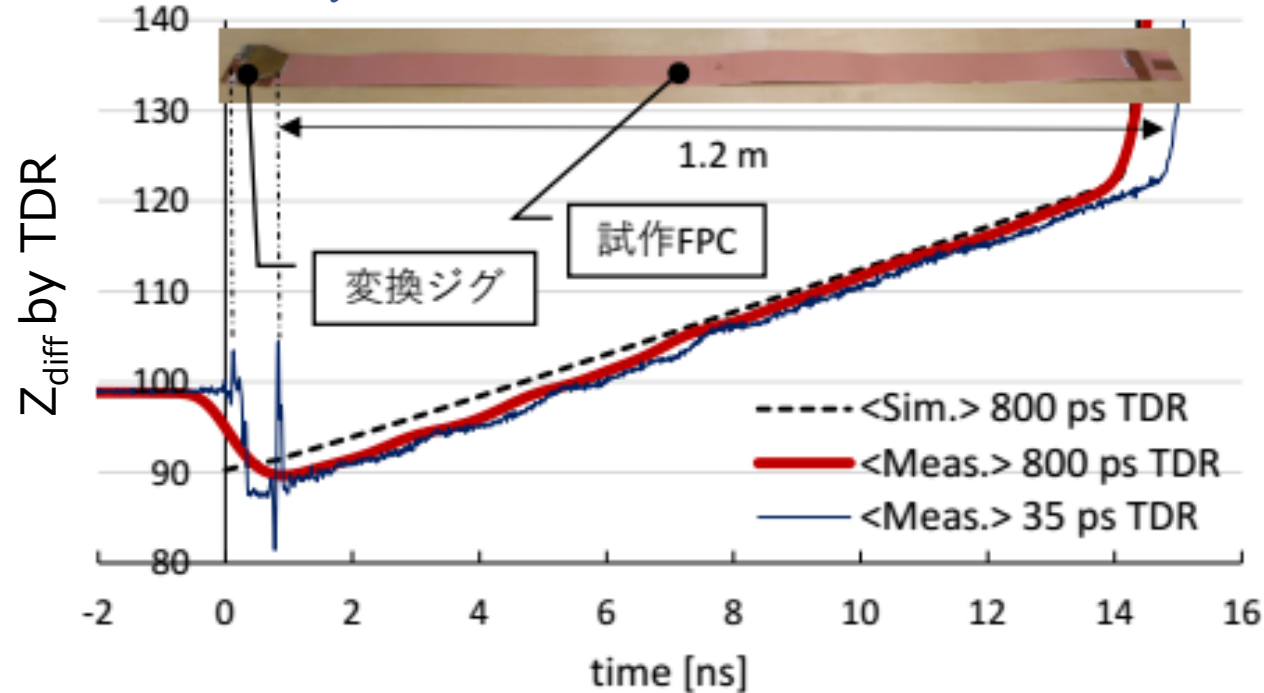


Electrical Performance

Loss & reflection vs freq



Z by TDR



- Freq. dependence(s-parameter)

- Signal loss : ~30%、
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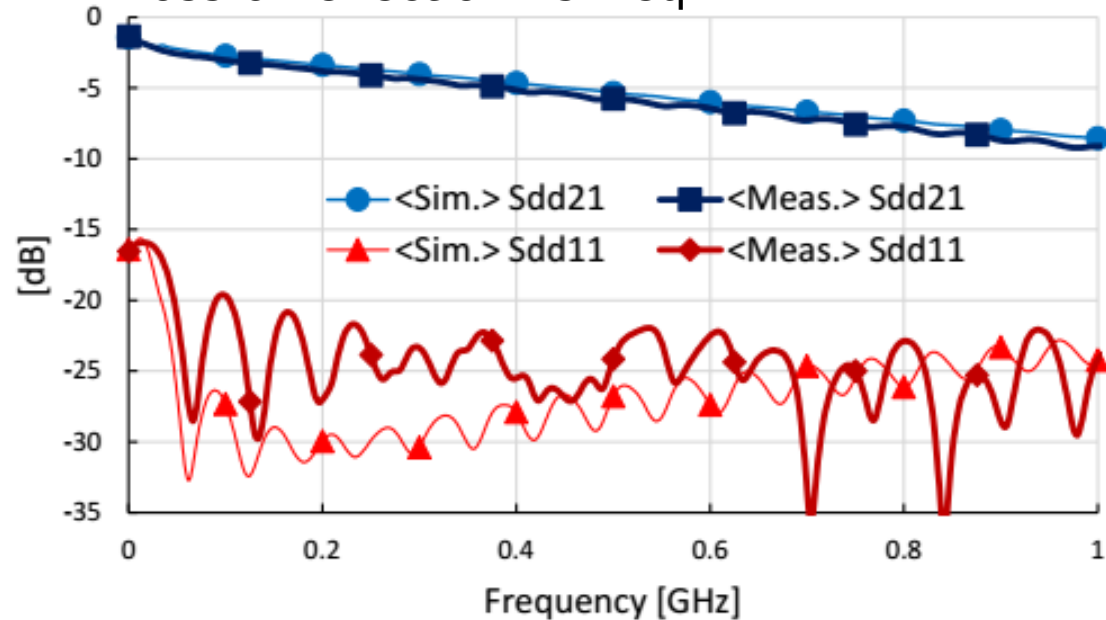
- Zdiff by TDR

- $Z \sim 90 \Omega$ (slight smaller than 100Ω)

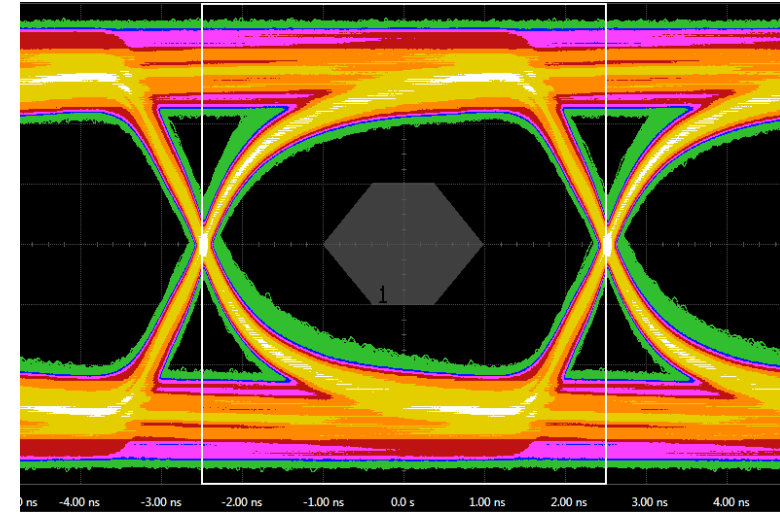
Data is consistent with the EM field simulation

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Eye-Diagram



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- Eye-diagram : Accumulated pulse shape for 1 bit
- Found good opening

We did aging test and rad-hardness test. It was good shape

Issues we found was fixed

- For Bus-Extender

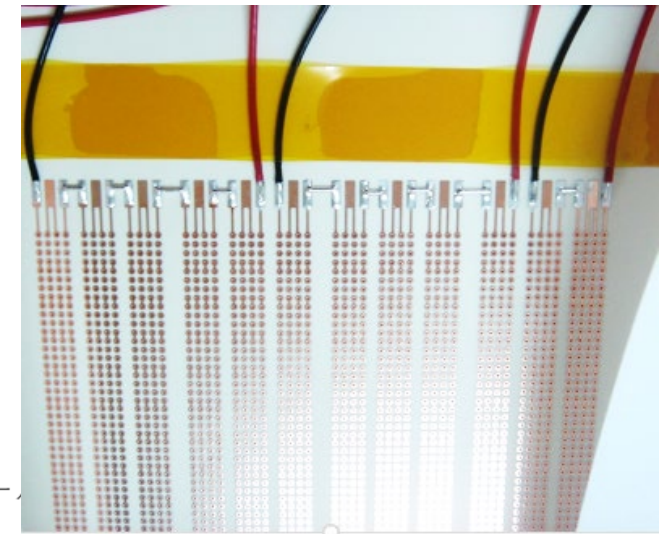
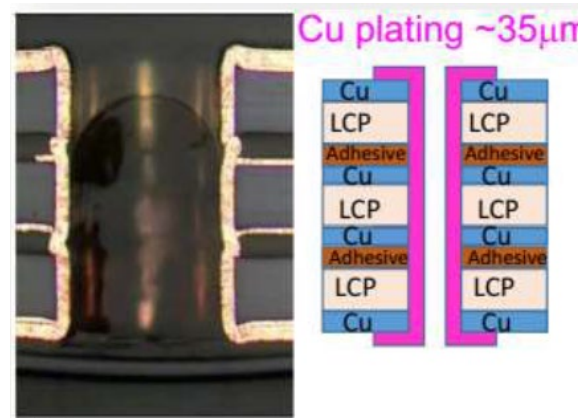
- Line uniformity → Fixed
- Thru-hole production → Fixed
- Aging test (by Thermal sheck test) → Fixed
- Rad-hardness(by gamma ray) → Checked
- Yield rate → Fixed(30%→100%)

- It took long time (~4 or 5 years)

- We hope we can be of help for ePIC TOF

Aging Test

- Keep healthy at least 3 year operation
- Mechanical stress by temperate
 - LCP is expanded and shrunk
 - Thru-hole could be damaged.
- Temperature cycle
 - -15 (30min.) ~ 75°C (30min.) with 1~2min. transition.
 - 1000 cycles (40 days)
- Test FPC sample
 - 4 layers, same as bus extender
 - 400, 1000, 1000 thru-holes are daisy chained and its resistance monitored .
- Results
 - Resistances changed with temperature
 - All FPC samples are healthy after 1000 cycles.



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