Package to Board Linkage capacitance – Cp Extraction/Simulation Follow-up

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Package to board linkage “Ball area” capacitance

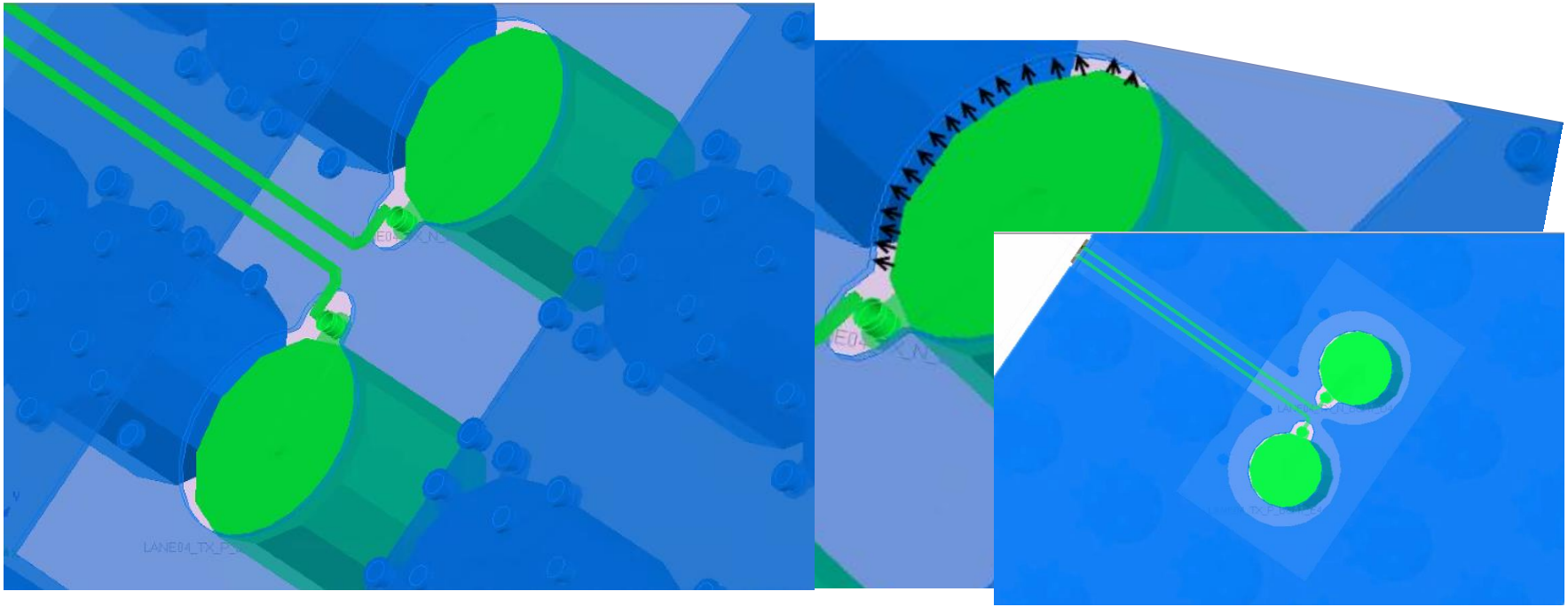
Extraction/Simulation follow-up

Reminder – Recap / Main points:

- Ad-hoc slides (integrated from slide 6 and on as a reminder) claimed:
  - The appropriate manner to evaluate Cp is by looking at its reflective effect, rather than calculate the capacitance of the mechanical structure
  - The impedance drop due to 87fF Cp is reasonable, while driving a whole package by a 7.5psec t_r TDR – Will be further emphasized by correlating a ball extraction (with as little a package as possible) by itself

Ball Fringing Capacitance Effect

- What would be the effective capacitive reflective effect of a ball (after assembly) (in Green) with the exact same size void (No overlap) formed on the GND (blue) layer 30µ above it?



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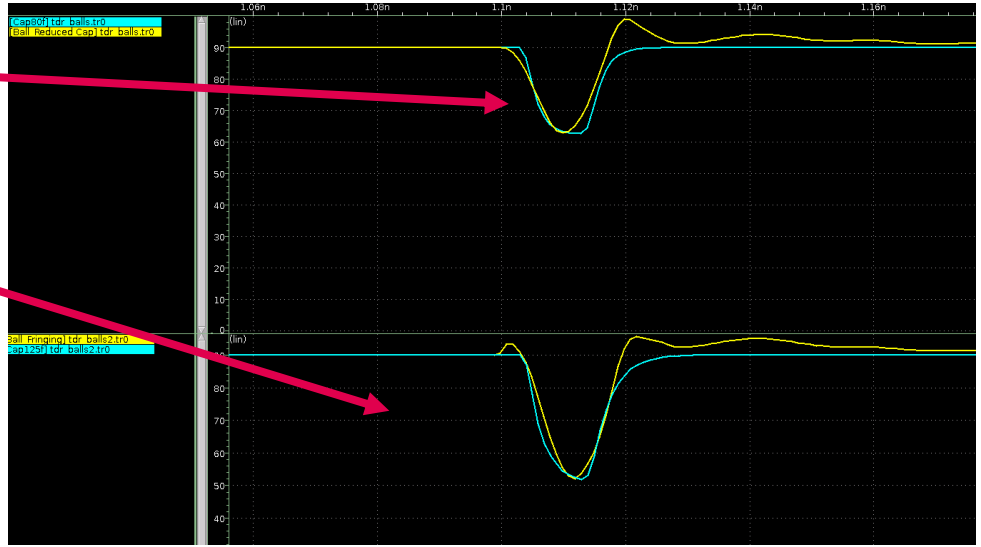
Follow-up – TDR of a ball by itself

- Effective capacitance of a ball while utilizing methodologies to lower ball area capacitance ≈ 80fF prior to manufacturing tolerances – Correlates to 802.3ck Cp
- Fringing effect of a ball with the exact same diameter void placed above it ≈ 125fF - Correlates to Cp of 802.3bj



Extraction / Simulation Follow-up Summary

- The fringing capacitance by itself correlates to 802.3bj Cp value
- Some valid packaging applications may require mechanical implications on ball area which are likely to be translated to higher capacitance
- Methods were used to lower ball-area capacitance and the discontinuity of the resulting structure was correlated to 80fF (before applying manufacturing tolerance)

➔Cp value of 87fF is reasonable and should not be changed

Thank you!

Agenda

January 2021 Ad-Hoc Slides here-on

1. Package imperfections and inclusion in the reference model
2. Package to board linkage “Ball area” capacitance
3. Cp TDR Results
4. Summary

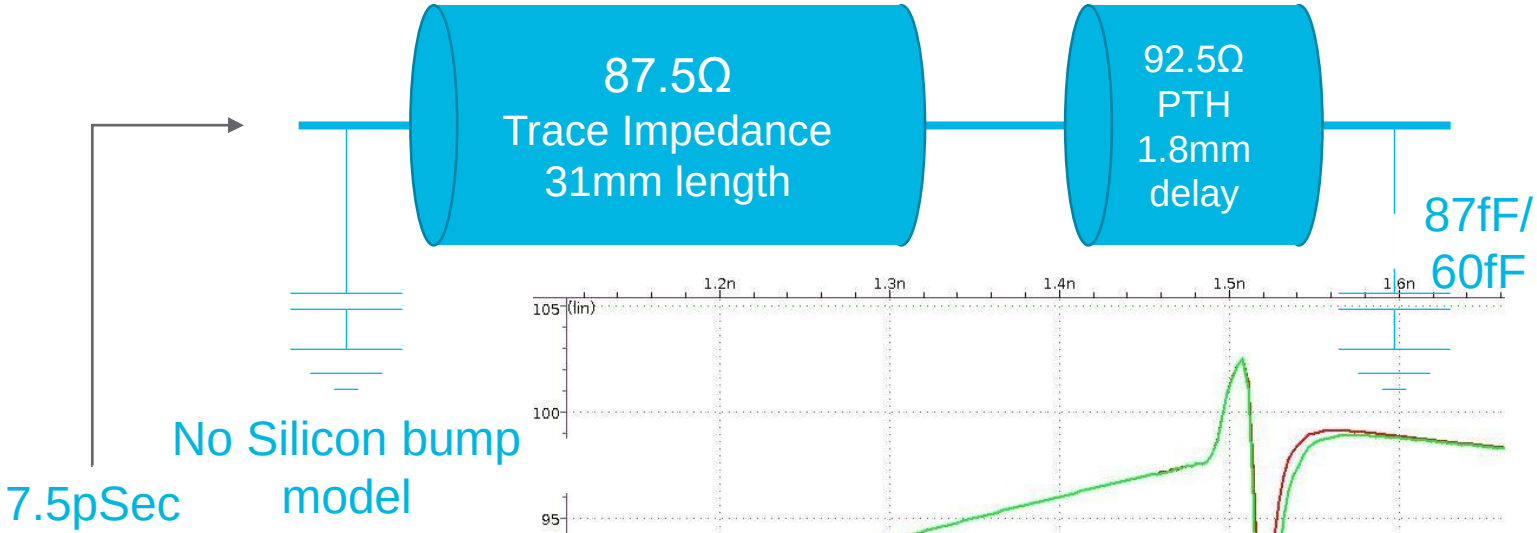
Package imperfections and inclusion in the reference model

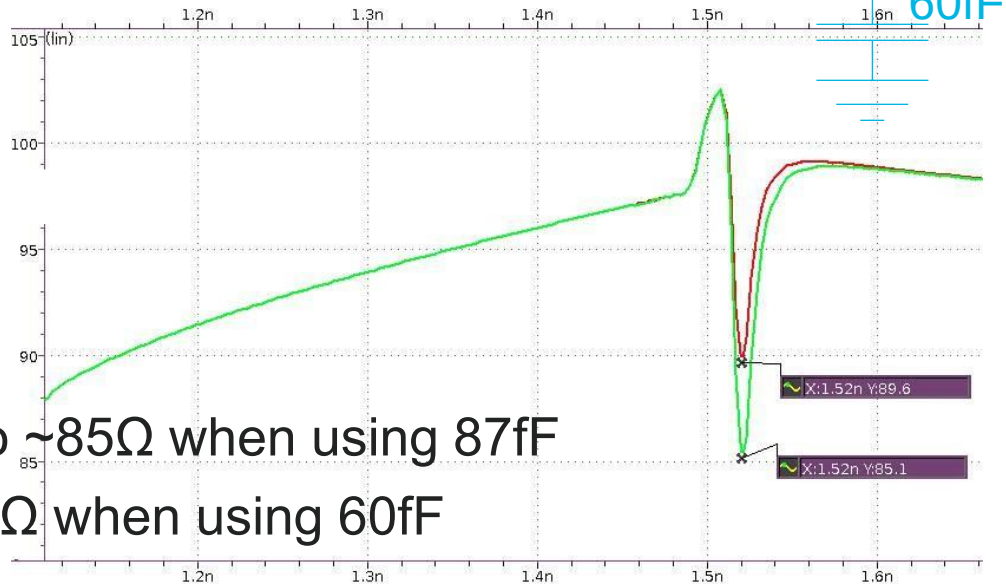
- Loss – Included, may fall short of max, or long of min loss
- Length – Two reference lengths – may fall short of max, or long of min length, may not introduce worst re-reflections given specific interconnects
- Bump area discontinuity – model included to represent silicon “T-Coil” and bump discontinuity
- Trace + PTH impedances – Models are included to represent impedances of the trace and the PTH with delay relative length – Manufacturing tolerances are not represented and package vias were optimized to bring best COM result, one PTH location close to the ball
- Package cross lane Far-end/Near-end Crosstalk – Not included
- Ball-area discontinuity – Next Slide

Package to board linkage “Ball area” capacitance

- Device package including 100Gbps lanes vary in size and type
  - Various types and sizes can have different ball-area characteristic impedance discontinuity.
    - Implementation requirements vary, mechanical requirements vary, manufacturing tolerance vary
- Package to board linkage capacitance is used to emulate reference package ball area discontinuity and is called Cp
  - A more complicated model was avoided thanks to ball-area dimensions relative to wavelength. For better accuracy can increase complexity – no need
  - Correlation to extractions (No board pad – coax port on ball) was provided in https://www.ieee802.org/3/ck/public/19_01/benartsi_3ck_01_0119.pdf
- The usage of Cp is in the time domain in COM and TP0v simulations
  - Discontinuity in time domain is best estimated by time domain reflectometry

Cp TDR using COM rise-time (7.5psec)





- Ball area impedance falls to ~85Ω when using 87fF
- Ball area impedance is ~90Ω when using 60fF

Summary

- The reference package model does not incorporate multiple manufacturing related and design related items – 3dB COM
- Loss and reflections are a major contributor to the reference package model imperfections
- The reference package model is used for simulation in the time-domain, thus one should look at its effect in time domain reflectometry
- It was demonstrated that 87fF introduce a reasonable discontinuity – not best case, for sure not worst case

Thank you!