



Quantum Computing IC Die Level Test Solution at mK Temperature Environment



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Overview

- **Introduction: Global Quantum-Related Market Size & Ramp-up Applications**
- **Quantum IC Trend & Die Level Testing Challenge**
- **Kobe University Quantum IC Test Case**
- **FormFactor PQ500 Probe Socket – A Quantum IC Die Level Testing Solution**
 - **Probe to PAD Alignment (Room Temp to mK Temp)**
 - **DC Resistance Characterization between Room Temp and 4K Temp**
 - **Electrical Simulation with Cryogenic Temperature Material property**
 - **Data from Kobe University for PQ500 Product Validation**
- **Future Development Directions and Acknowledgements**

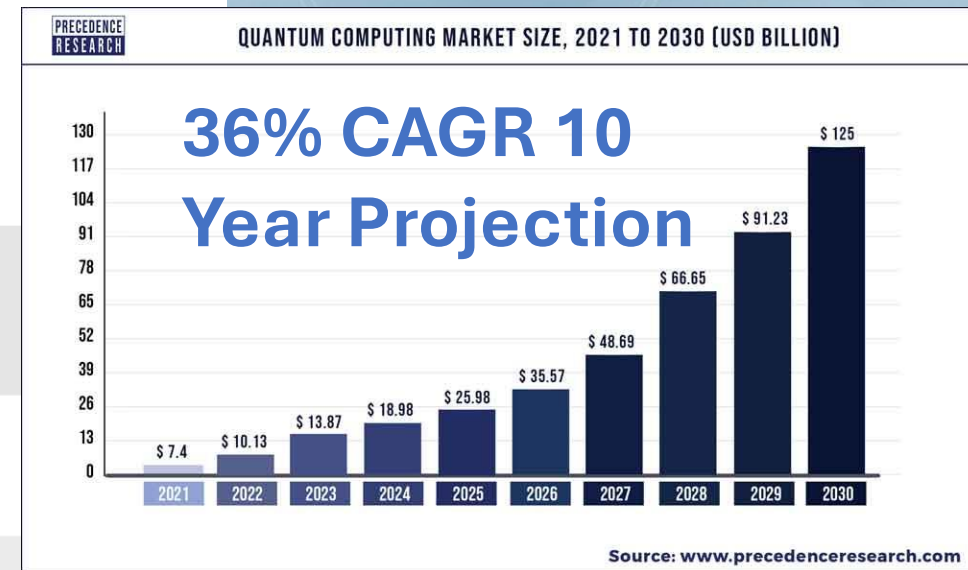
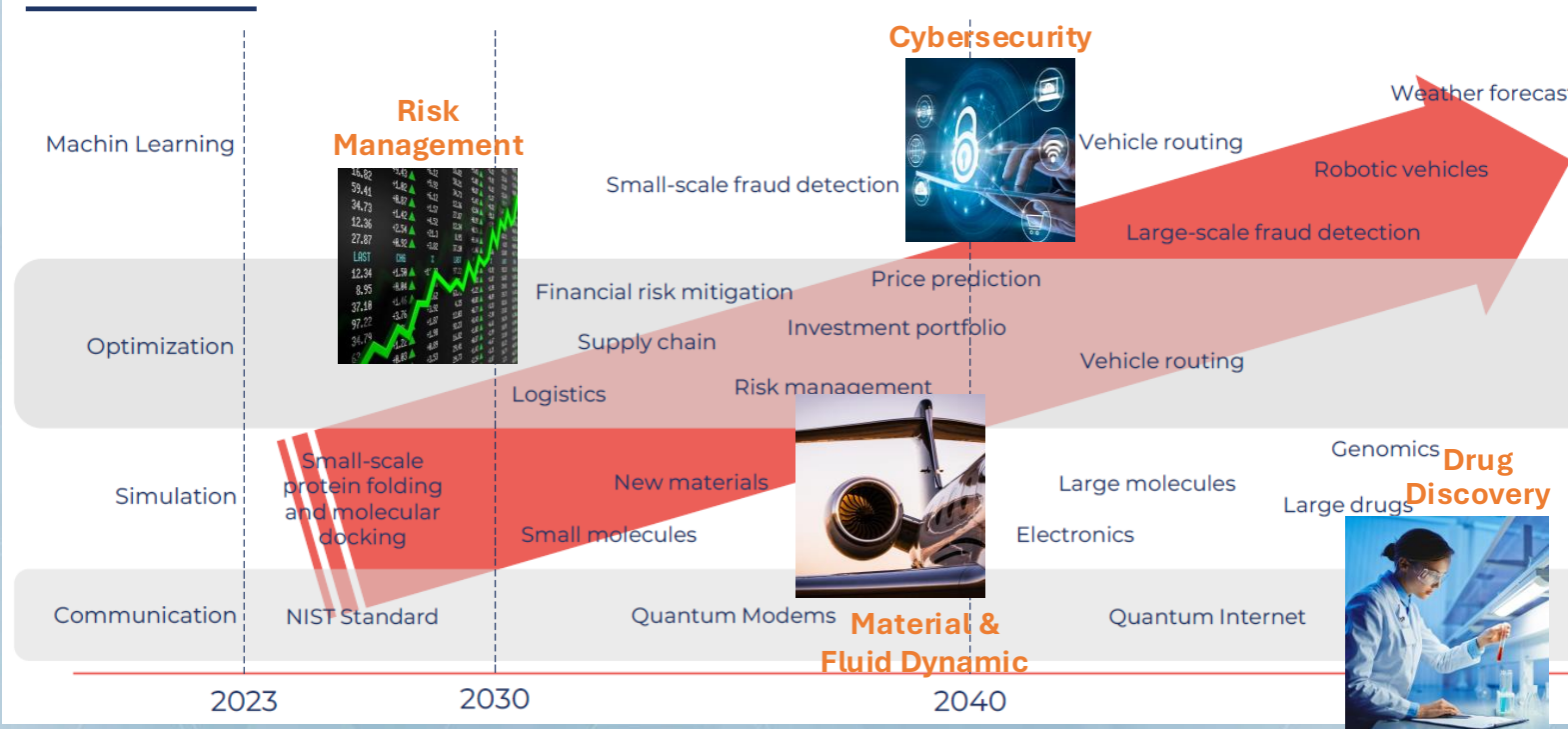
Raising Quantum Computing Era

Rapid Growth Market with 4 Key Applications

By 2030 Quantum Computing Market Size Estimated to be \$125B

36% CAGR 10 Years Projection

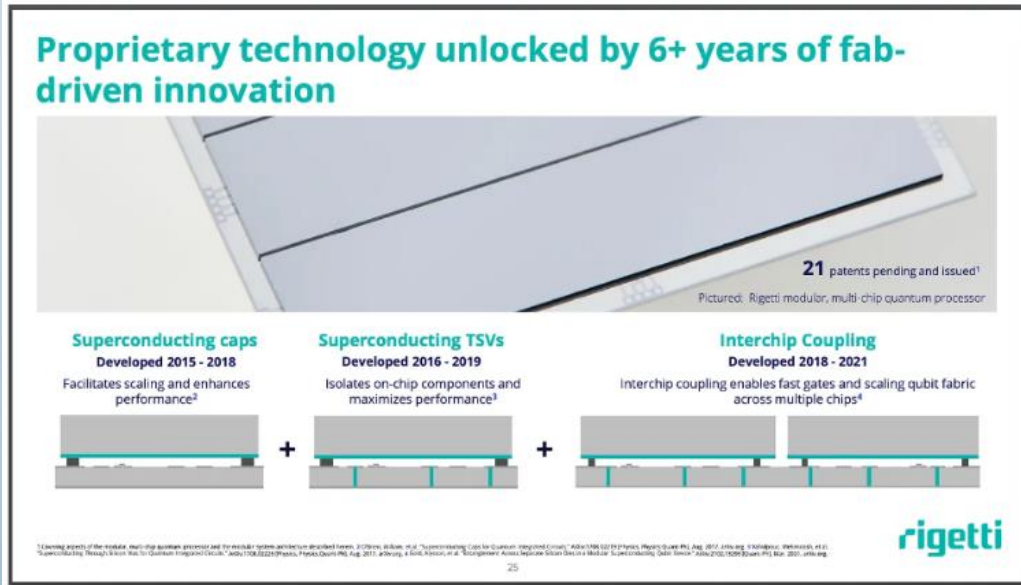
TENTATIVE QUANTUM COMPUTING APPLICATIONS – ROADMAP



Credit: Yole intelligence report on Quantum Technologies, 2024

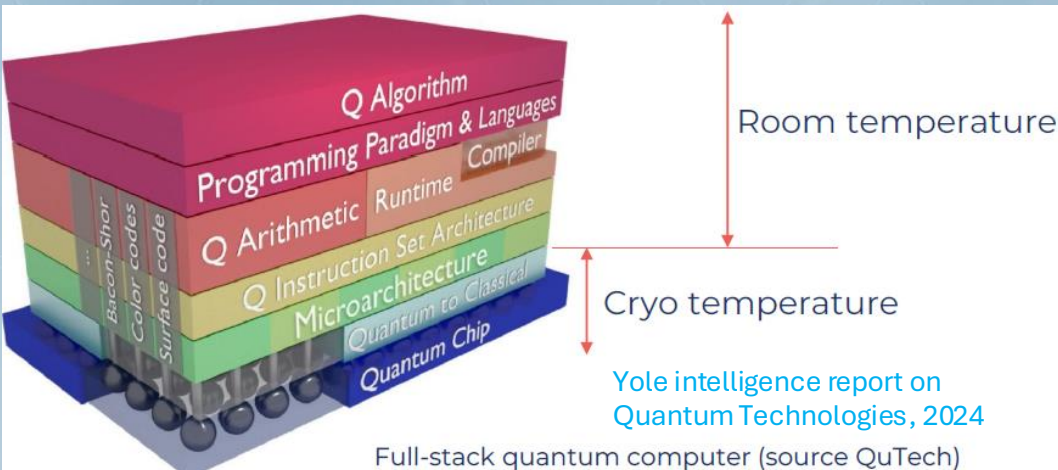
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Scale Quantum Computing Power with Advanced Packaging Technology – Demanding More Test?



Quantum Computing + Advanced Packaging

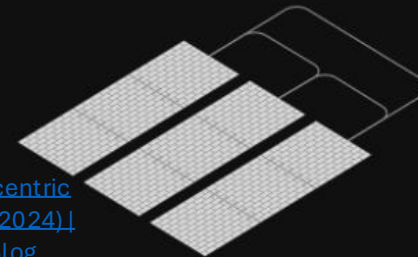
- Increasing Quantum Computing Power
 - Couple application layers with quantum computing
 - Superconducting, Silicon Photonics etc...
- Grow # of qubits by packaging multiple Quantum ICs
 - X3 expanding number of qubit
- Testing Quantum Computing ICs at the die level
 - Low yield, high packaging costs demand more test
 - Known good quantum ICs before packaging with others
 - Lower cost of test, real performance data, faster lead times



2025
Quantum parallelization of multi-chip quantum processors

Kookaburra
4,158+ qubits

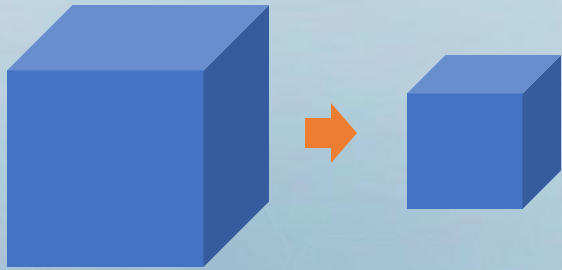
[IBM roadmap to quantum-centric supercomputers \(Updated 2024\)](#)
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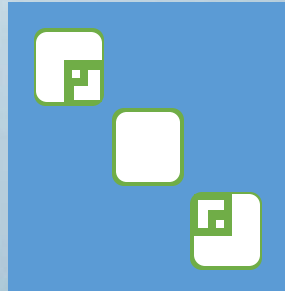
Wafer Test Coverage			
Die Yield	High	Zero	Some
	Low	Some	Lots
		Low	High
		Packaging Cost	

Quantum IC Die Level Probing Challenges

Alignment Challenges

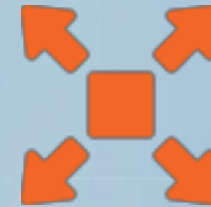


Thermal Contraction



Optical Access

Space Transformer Challenges

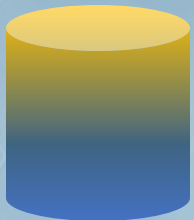


Fan Out



Space

Material Challenges



Thermal Conduction



Magnetism



Superconductivity

Testing Challenges



Limited Data



Low Temperature

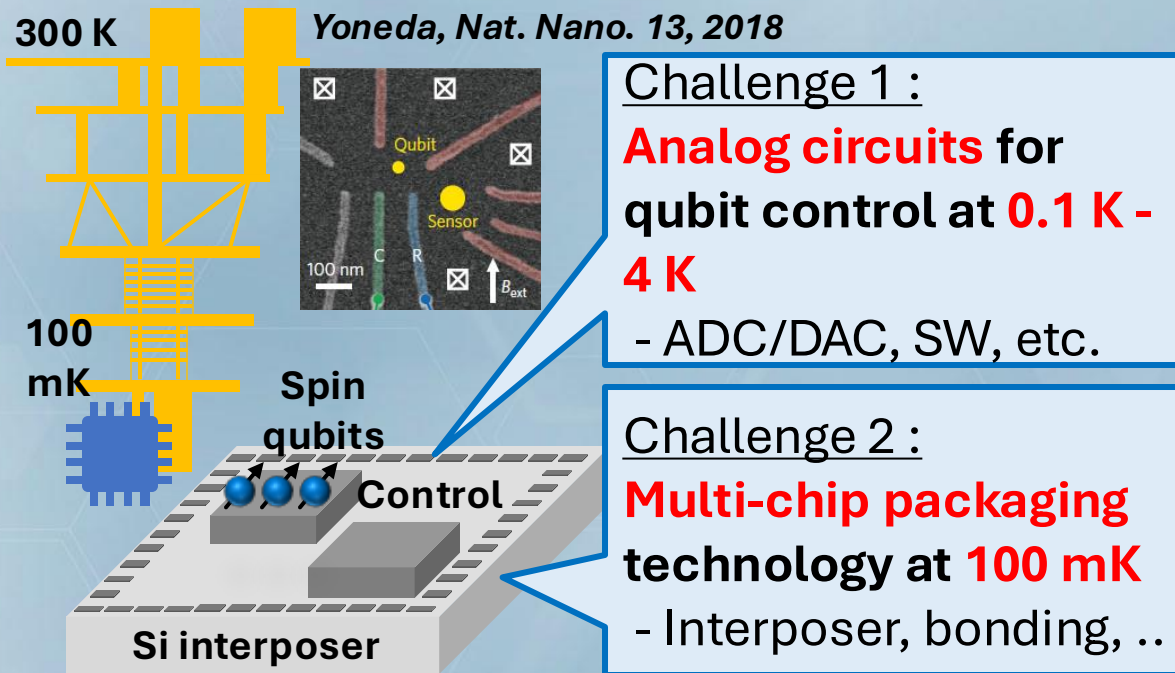
Kobe Case Application

- **Silicon quantum computer**

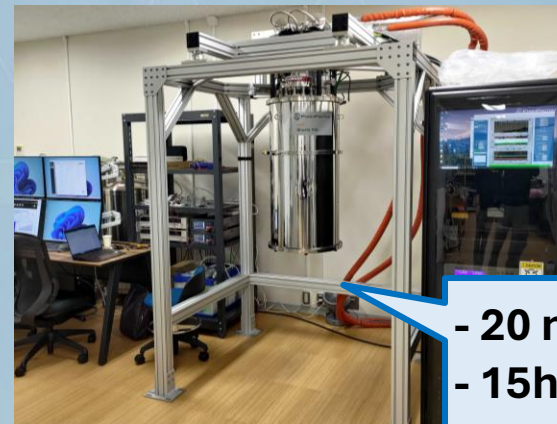
- **Scalable** : compatible with CMOS
- **Long coherence time**
- **Thermal stability** : >100 mK

- **Test requirements**

- **Deep cryogenic temperature** below 1 K
- **Short cooling time**
- **Numerous DC**
- **Up to 20 GHz RF**



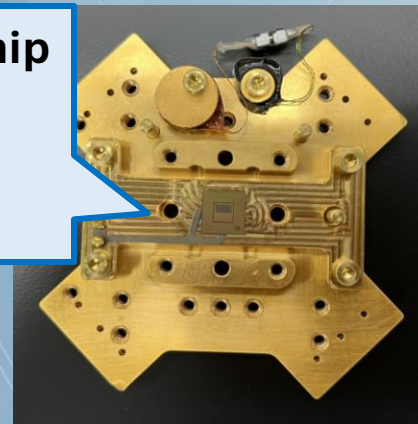
FormFactor ADR Cryostat



- 10mm² chip
- 184-PAD
- 100-DC
- 17-RF

- 20 mK lowest
- 15h rapid cool

PQ 500 Socket



PQ500 Cryogenic Probe Socket

Solution for Quantum IC Die Level Testing

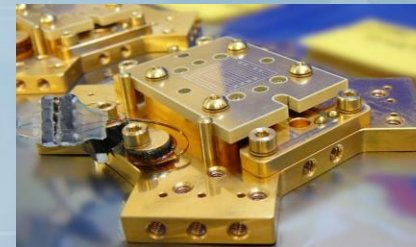
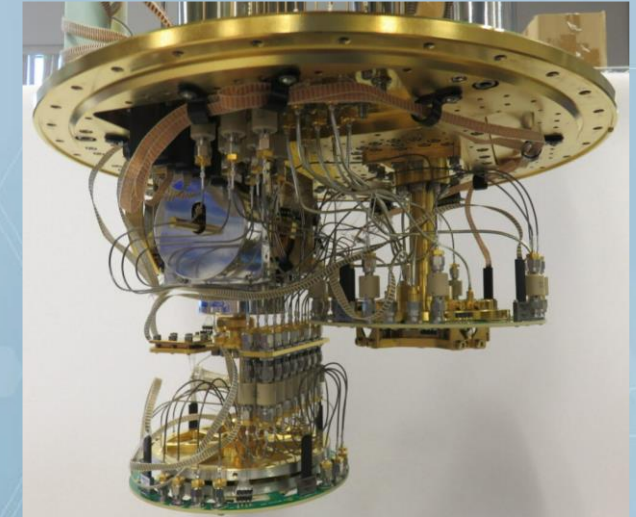
Overview of PQ500 Product and Benefits of Die Level Testing

A first-of-its-kind, cryostat-agnostic, high-density RF and DC socket interface

- Customized design to fit on FormFactor cryostat/DR or customer existing cryostat/DR
- Offer probing solution under mK cryogenic temperature environment
- Socket design option for magnetic field shielding
- World class Vertical MEMS Probe supports 150 um pitch pad/bump probing
- **Active alignment** feature ensure the solid contact to the PAD
- Easy operation – undock the socket while all RF connection remain the same
- Product validated under cryogenic temperature before shipment

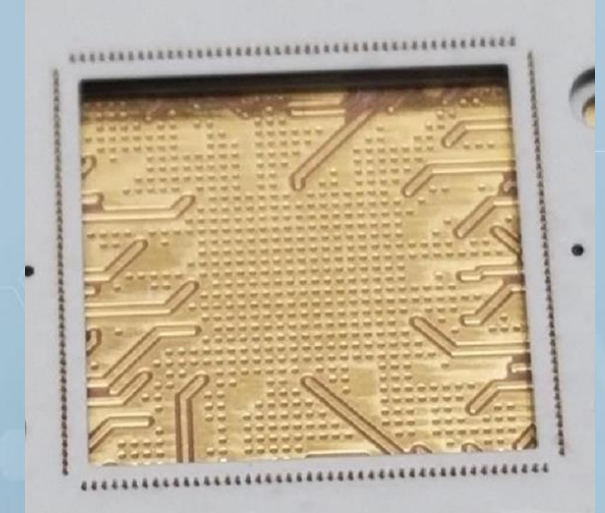
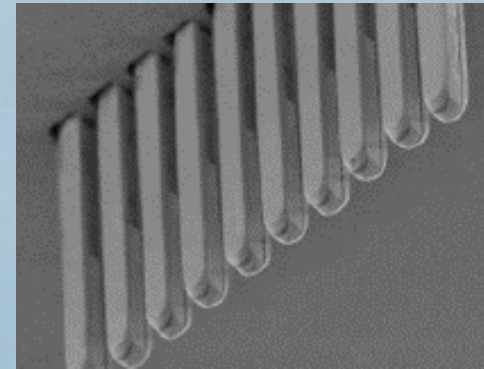
Benefits of using PQ500 test at die level

- Test and validate performance directly on silicon without post-dicing packaging
- Dramatically reduces time to data and shortens development cycles
- Enables high scalability for high volume manufacturing
- Offers flexibility in chip design with full grid probing

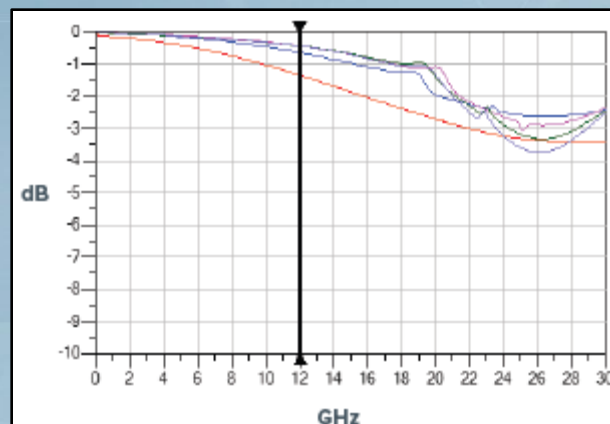


Cryogenic Vertical MEMS Probe GC150

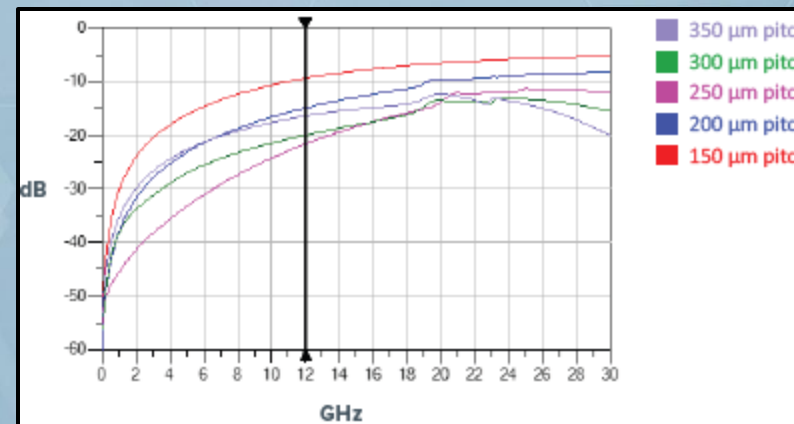
Probe model	GC150 Vertical MEMS Probe
Probe metallurgy option	Non-ferromagnetic
Probe tip dimension	25 μm x 30 μm
Min. pad/bump pitch - grid array	150 μm x 150 μm
Probe head deployment temperature	mK to 400 K
Signal type	DC and/or RF (<20 GHz)
Max. device size	50 mm x 50 mm
Compatible device pad material	Al, Au, Cu
Probe tip planarity	25-35 μm
Probe-to-pad/bump alignment precision	± 12.5 μm
Recommended overdrive	75-100 μm
Probe force within recommended overdrive	3 gforce
ISMI current carry capability	1.4 A



GC150 Insertion Loss GSG Config

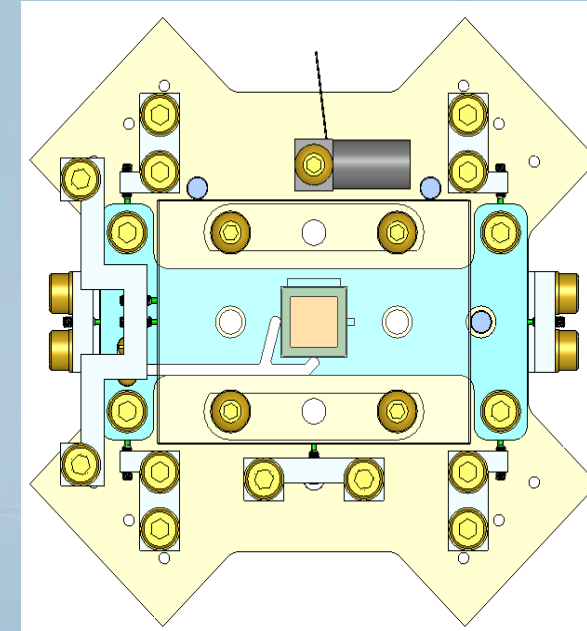


GC150 Return Loss GSG Config

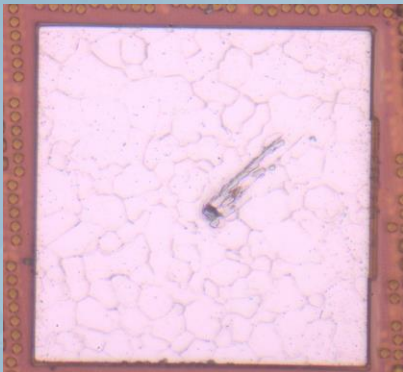


Align Probe Tip To PAD

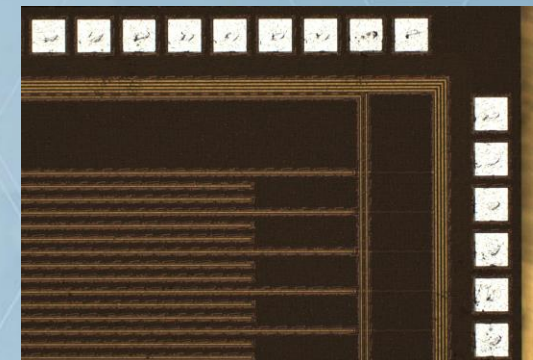
- **Custom finger design hold device sit on heat spreader surface**
 - Multiple adjustment features allow the heat spreader to move in the XY plane and rotate with micrometer-level accuracy
 - Aligning device pad to the scrub mark on grass
- **Scrub Mark from Room Temp to mK Temp**
 - Pad size 150 μm x 150 μm
 - Probe Tip size 30 μm x 25 μm
 - Initial alignment done at room temp
 - Probe tip scrub toward to center as temperature go down to 4K



Scrub Mark after Alignment
RT \rightarrow 4K \rightarrow RT



Scrub Mark after Testing
RT \rightarrow mK \rightarrow RT

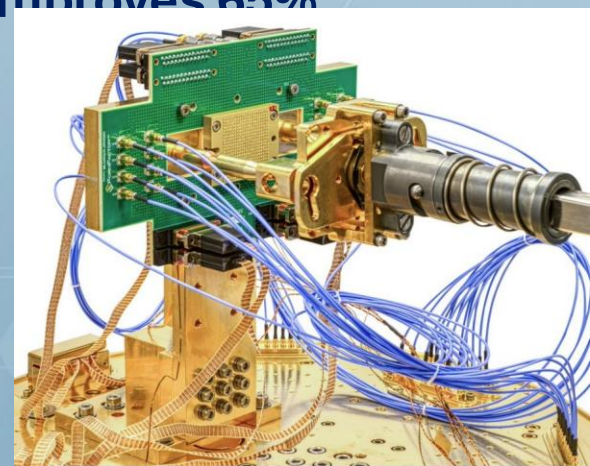
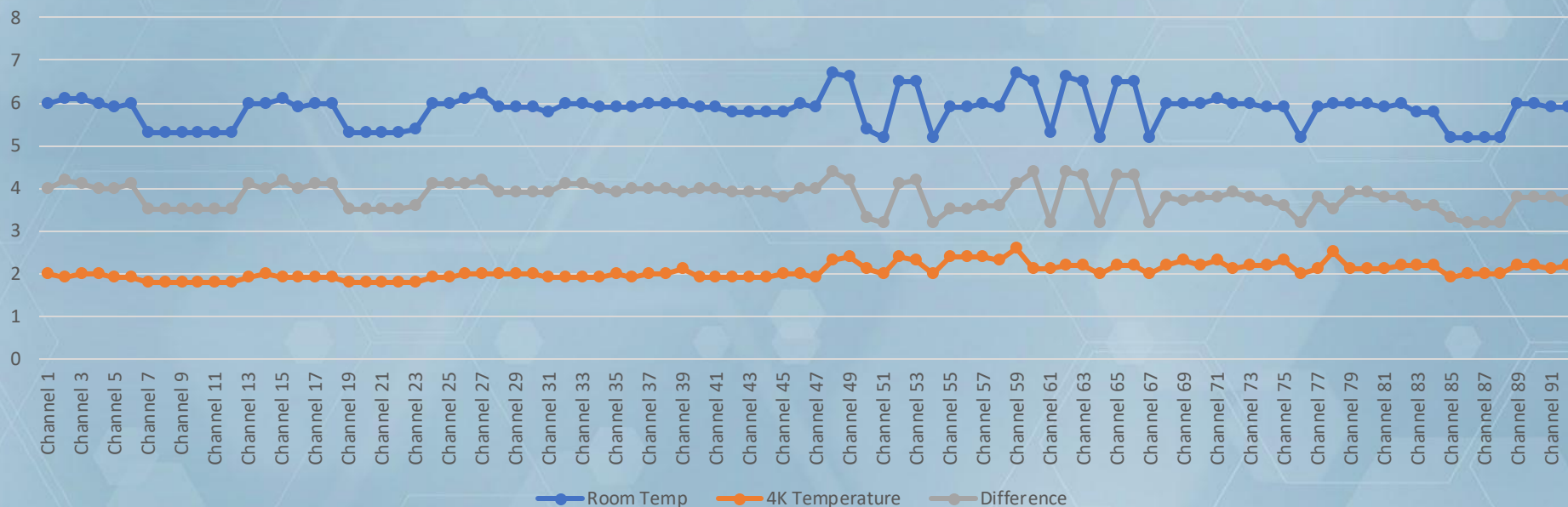


Contact Resistance Characterization

Room Temp vs. Cryogenic Temp

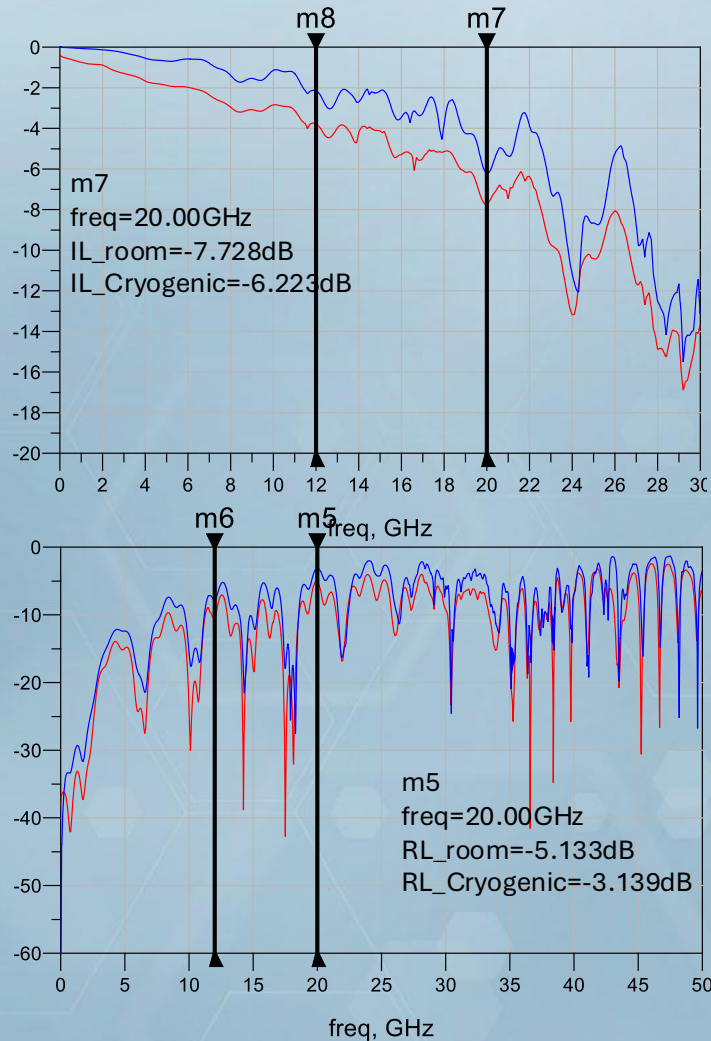
- Data Collected from Customer using PQ500 Test Socket with FormFactor IQ2000 Cryogenic Prober
- Device with 92 Channels: Resistance average drops ~3.8ohm, conductivity improves 65%
 - At room temp: measured resistance average ~5.8ohm
 - At 4K temp: measured resistance average ~2.0ohm
 - Resistance reduce at 4K temperature average ~3.8ohm

Contact Resistance Measurement Room Temp vs. 4K Temp

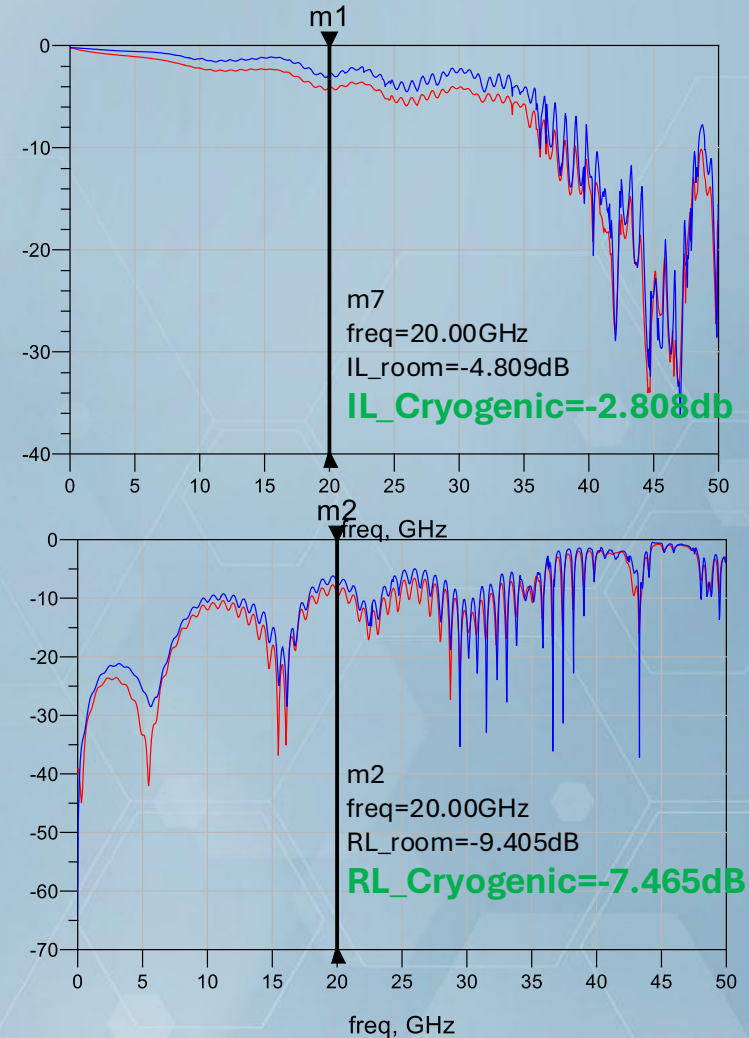


PQ500 Electrical Performance Simulation

Product Feasibility Analysis

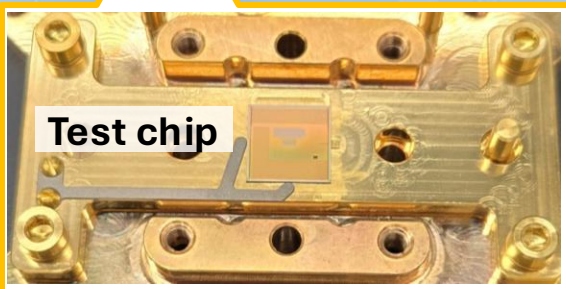
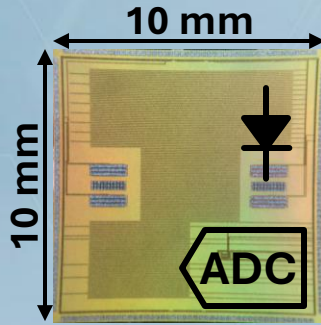
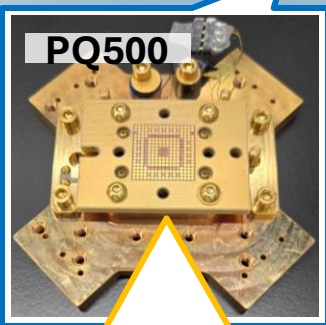
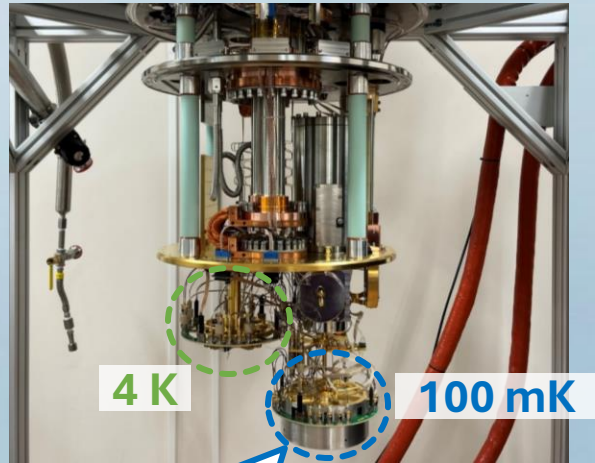


Final Design

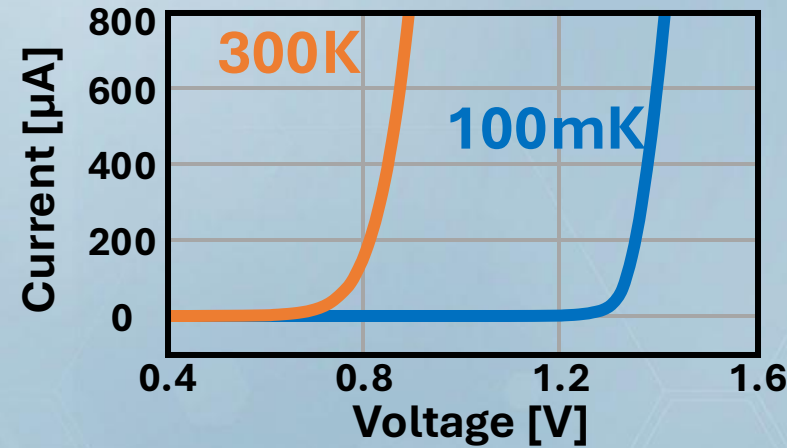


PQ500 Product Validation at Kobe

- Test setup

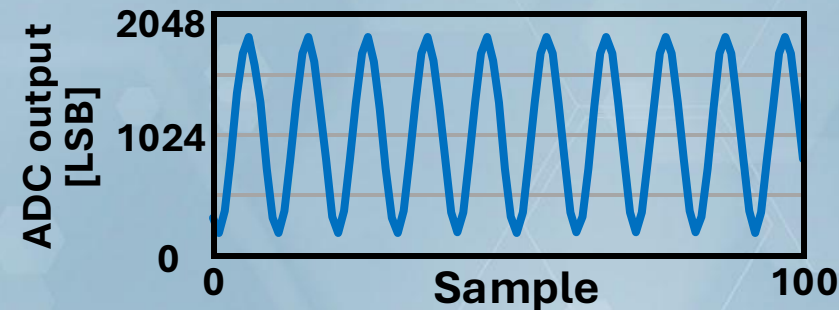


- Cryo Analog Circuits
 - Diode characterization



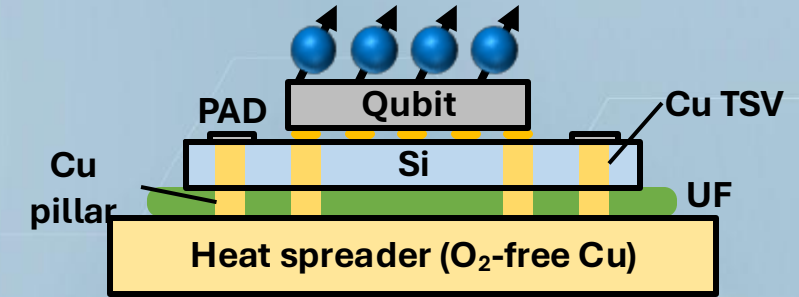
- Cryo-ADC measurement
 - Successful ADC operation at 4K

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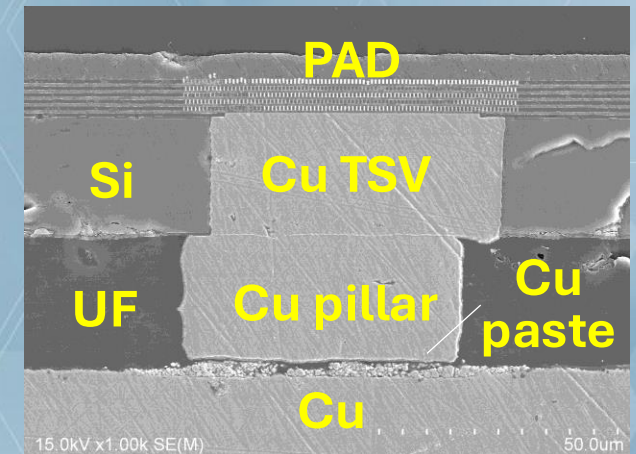


- Cryo multi-chip packaging

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- Cross section view after thermal cycle
 - Successful Cu-Cu bond via TSVs



Summary & Future Development Direction

- Quantum computing is a rapidly growing industry
- Demand for testing is rising due to challenging requirements
- Probing at the die level shortens time to data and provides real data on silicon performance
- The FormFactor PQ500 has demonstrated a quantum IC die-level test solution in a mK temperature environment with a 20 GHz test speed
- Ongoing efforts aim to improve probe tip-to-pad alignment robustness while continuing R&D on smaller pad/bump pitches and higher-speed testing

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