



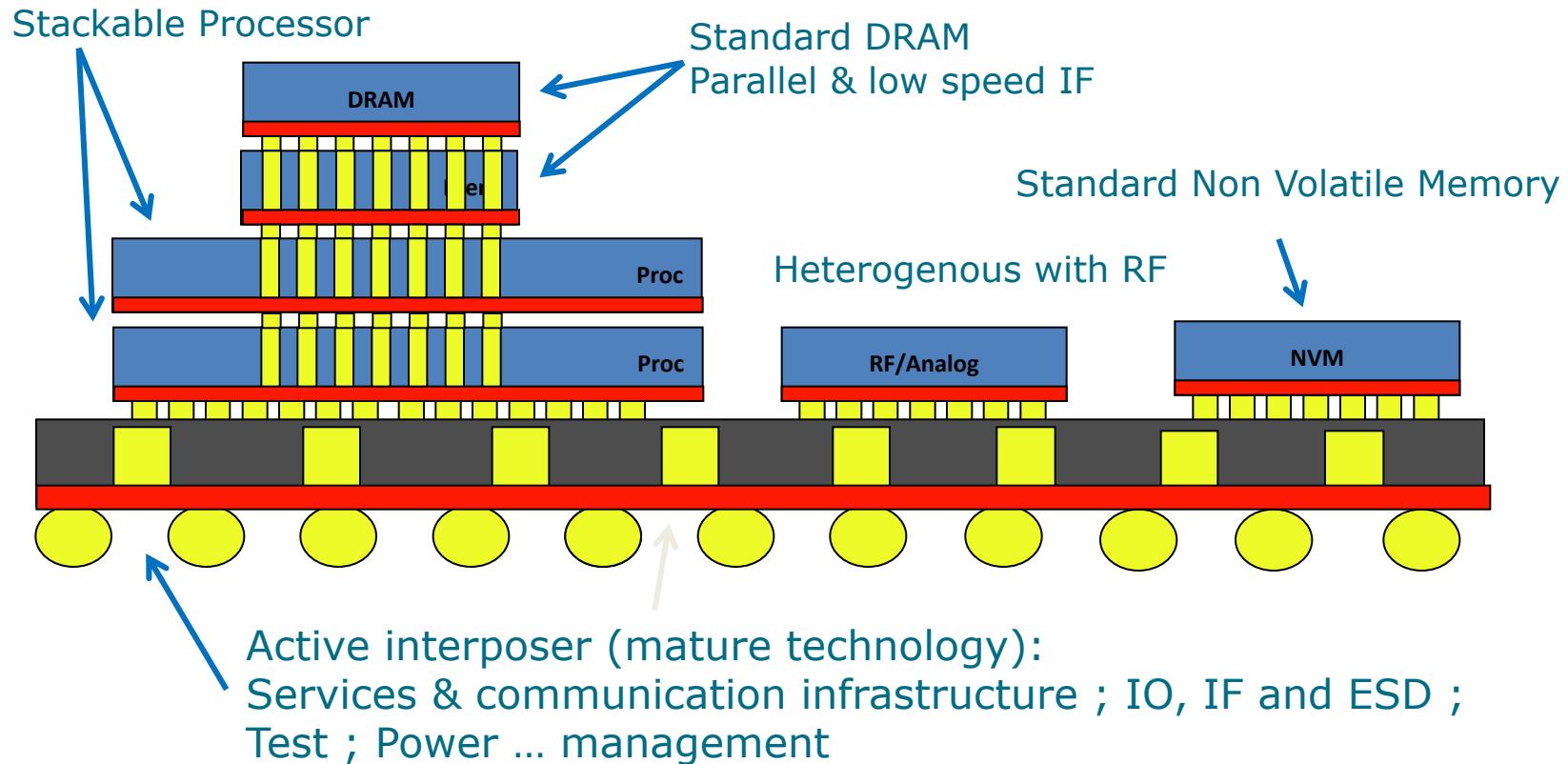
3D Design & Roadmap

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3D Design – will dream become reality ?

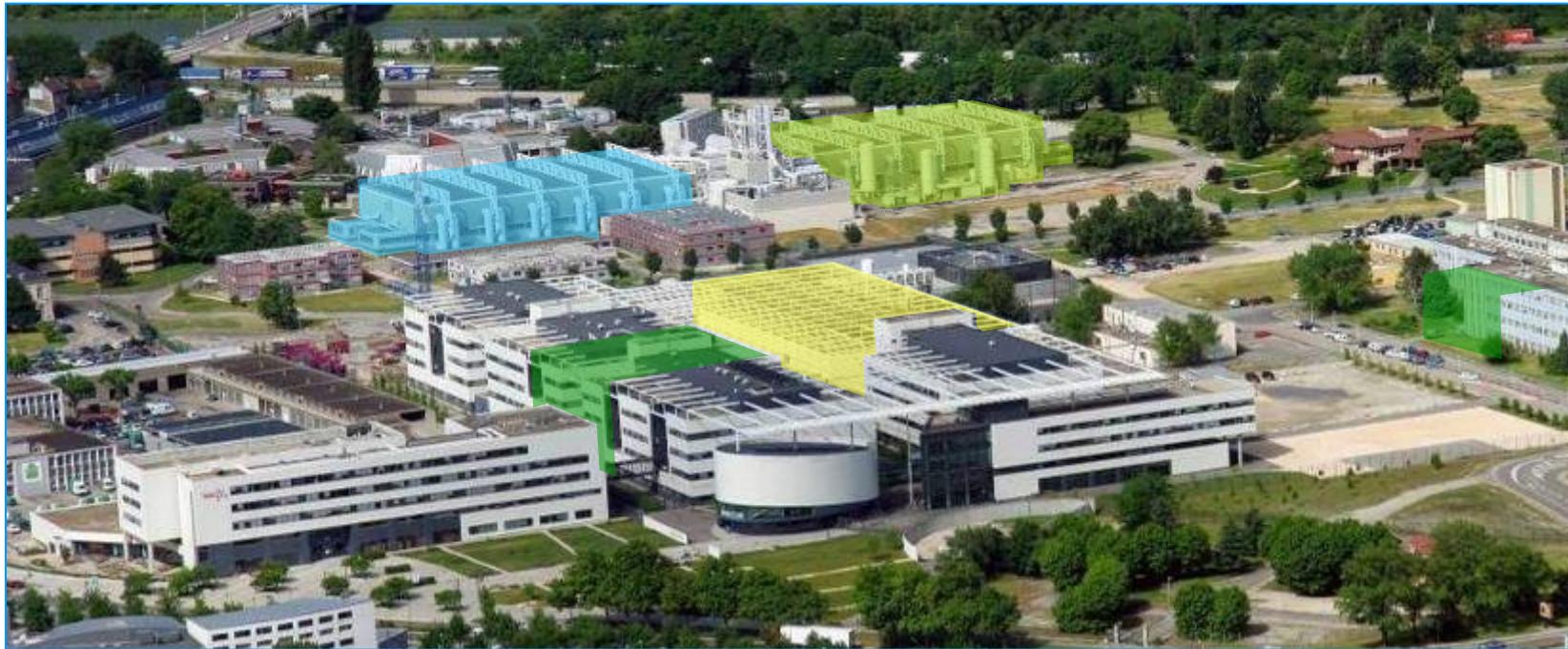


■ Focus today on 3D interconnect for complex MPSoC

Outline

- Introduction:
 - Available 3D-IC technology in LETI and design perspectives
- Our design roadmap
- Mag3D demonstrator implementation:
 - Memory-on-processor (WideIO)
 - Processor-on-processor (ANoC)
- 3D-IC compute node perspective
- Design Flow & perspectives
- Conclusion

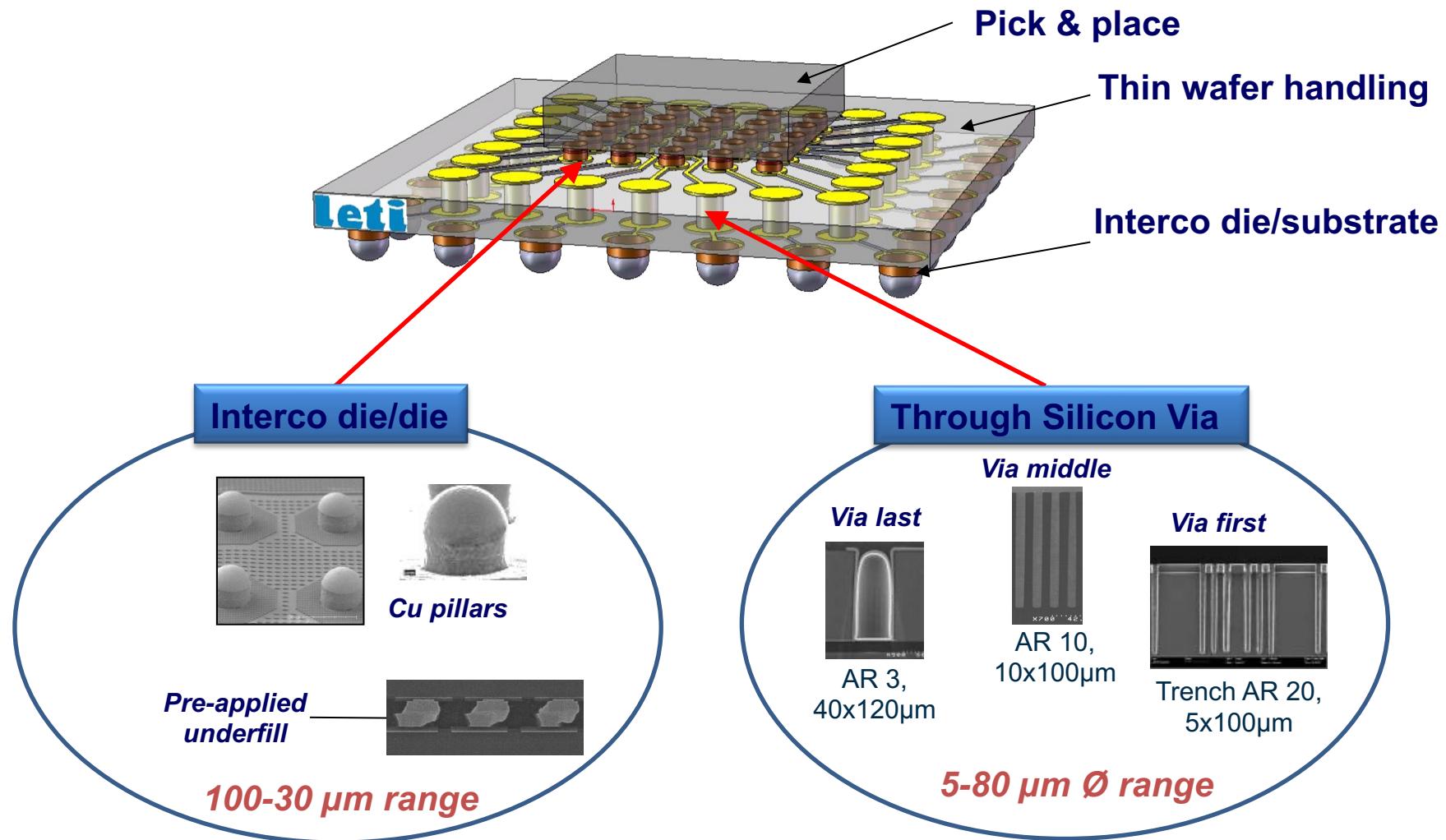
A complete toolset for 3D



- CMOS 300 + 3D 300
- CMOS 200 mm
- MEMS & 3D 200 mm
- Nanoscale Characterization

- Fully operational 300mm line dedicated to 3D – inaugurated in 2011, January

Available 3D-IC technology in LETI



3D IC interconnect: Through Silicon Via

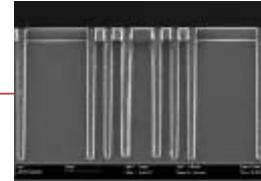
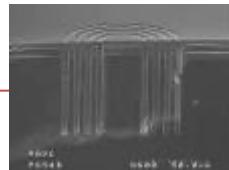
Through Silicon Via (TSV)

Via First TSV (Polysilicon filled)

Processed before CMOS front-end steps

Pitch: ~10µm

Density: 10000 TSV/mm²



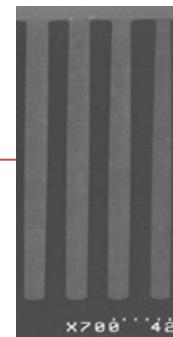
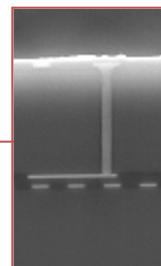
Trench AR 20,
5x100µm

Via Middle TSV (Copper filled)

Processed after CMOS front-end steps

Pitch: 40µm to 50µm

Density: 500 TSV/mm²



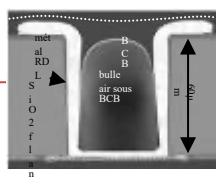
AR 10,
10x100µm

Via Last TSV (Copper liner)

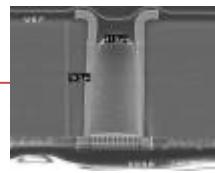
Processed after metallization

Pitch: ~100µm

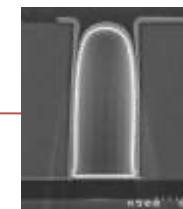
Density: 100 TSV/mm²



AR 1
80x80µm



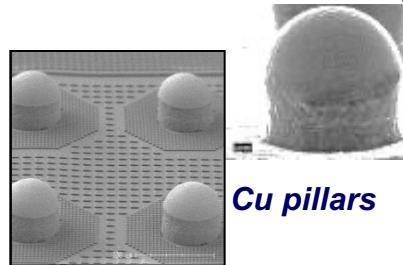
AR 2,
60x120µm



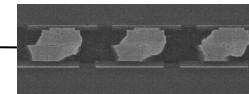
AR 3,
40x120µm

Fine pitch interconnect – technological Leti Roadmap

High volume manufacturability (HVM) (300mm compatibility, high speed P&P)



Pre-applied underfill

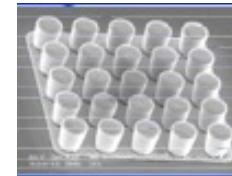
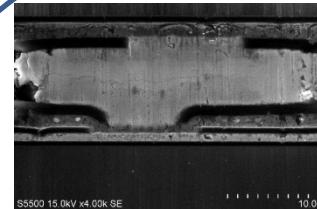


Current technologies

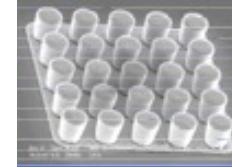
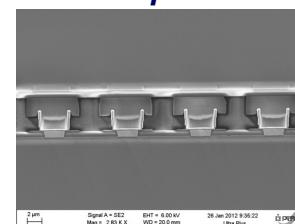
A 10µm pitch interconnection technology using micro tube insertion into Al-Cu for 3D applications; De Brugiere & Al, ECTC 2011

100-30 µm range

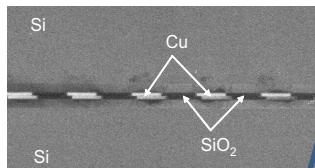
TLP(Cu/Sn)



Advanced technologies



30-10 µm range

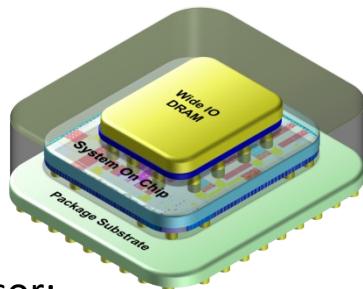


Down to 2 µm

Design perspectives

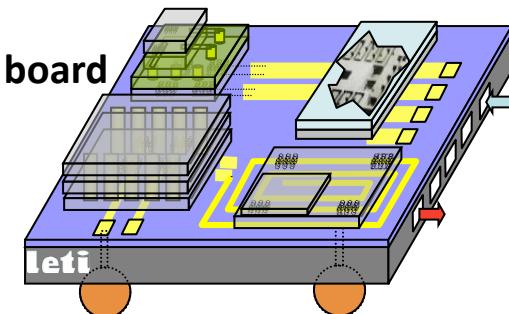
- What can we expect today from the technology ?
 - Less than 10 µm diameter TSV is challenging
 - Must add guard interval thus reduce effective interconnect pitch
 - ⇒ ~500 interconnects/mm²
 - ⇒ Coarse grain to medium grain partitioning for 3D SoC and Silicon board

3D SoC



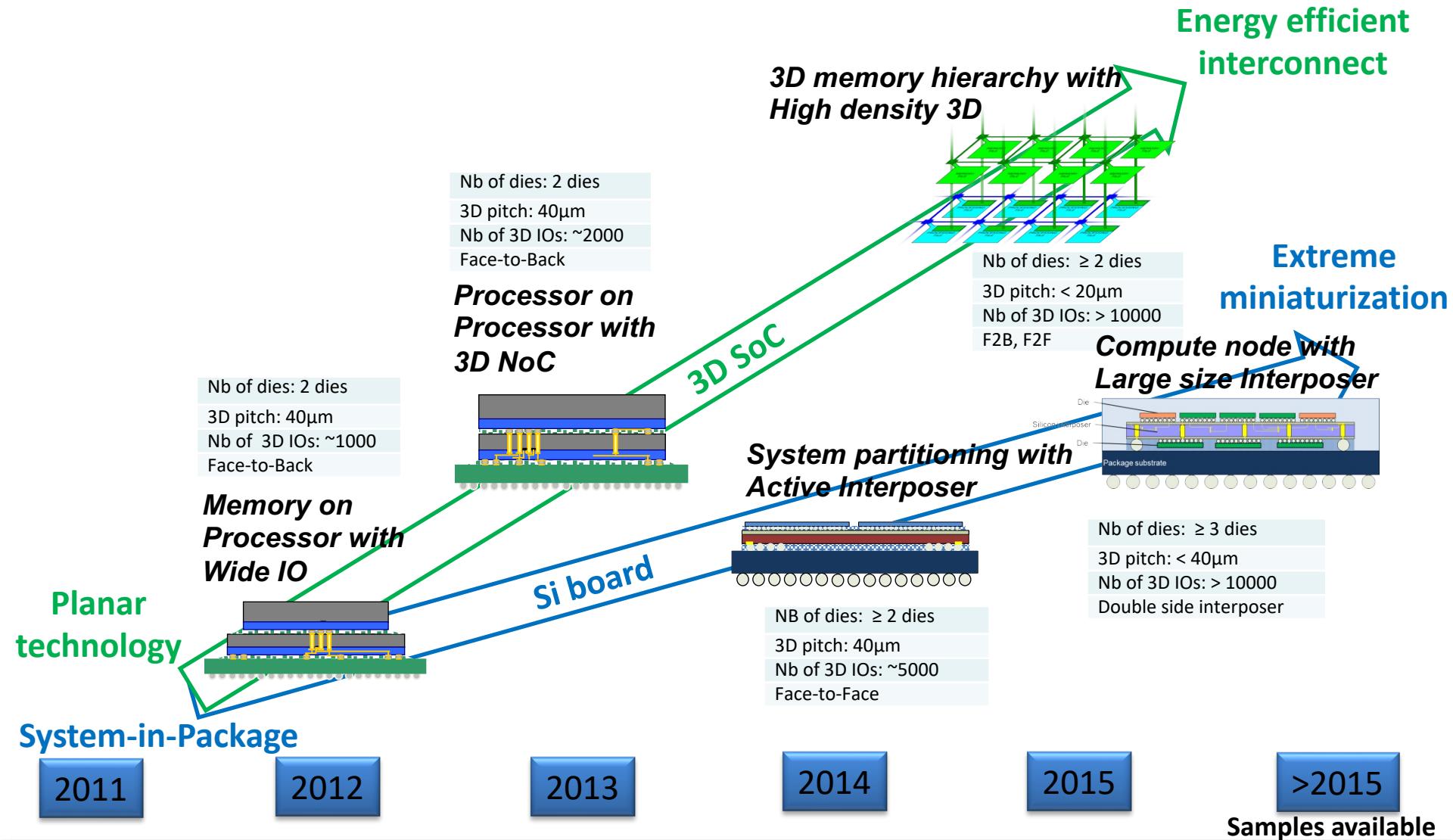
- 3D-stacked dies
- Memory-on-processor:
 - 3D memory hierarchy
- Processor-on-processor:
 - Many-core cluster
- High bandwidth
- Fine grain architecture partitioning
- High density for vertical interconnects
- Face-to-back

Silicon board

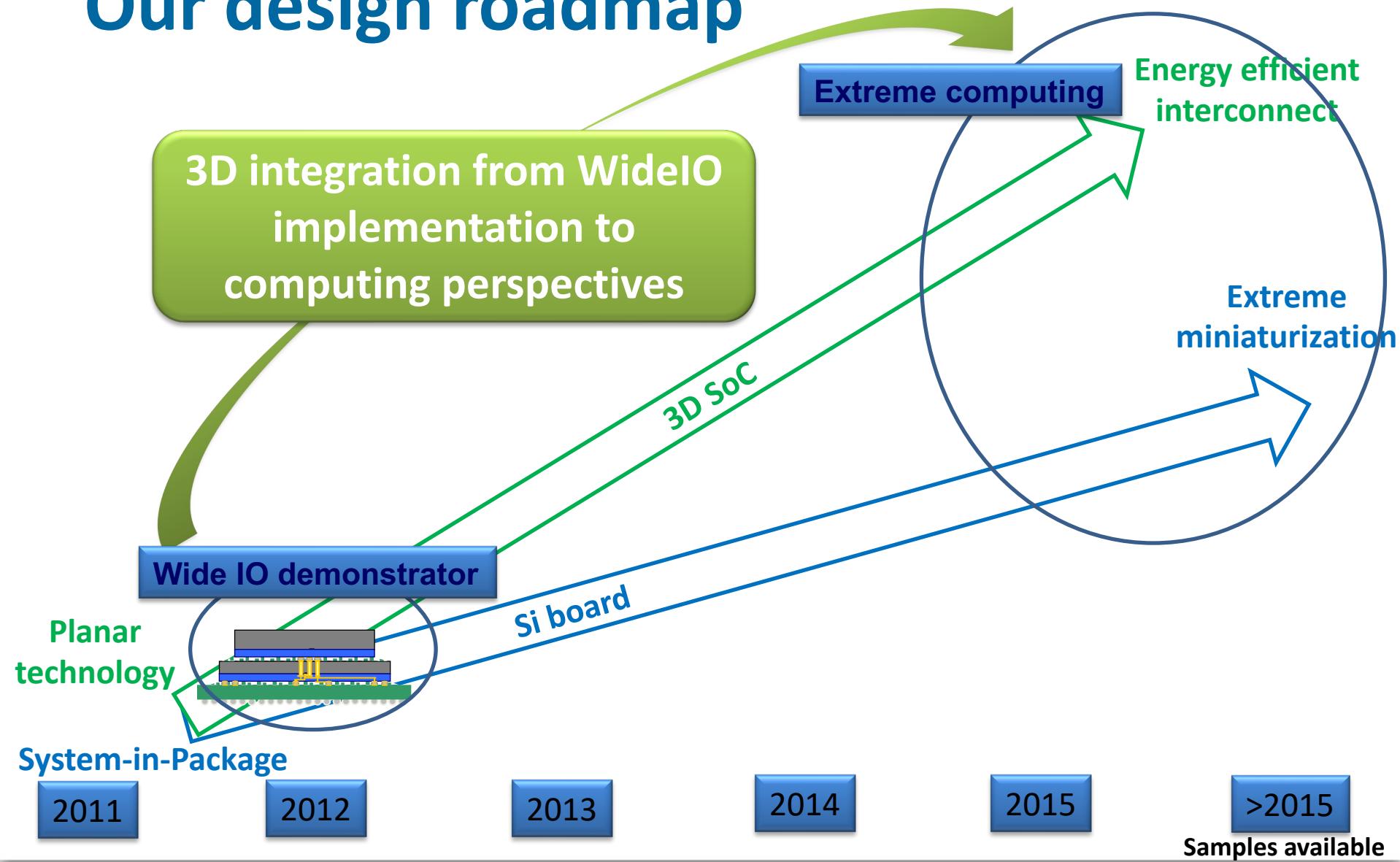


- Dies stacked on a silicon interposer
- Heterogeneous integration:
 - Digital, analog, memory, input/output, power management
- Medium bandwidth
- System partitioning
- High density for horizontal interconnects
- Face-to-face
- Large size silicon interposer

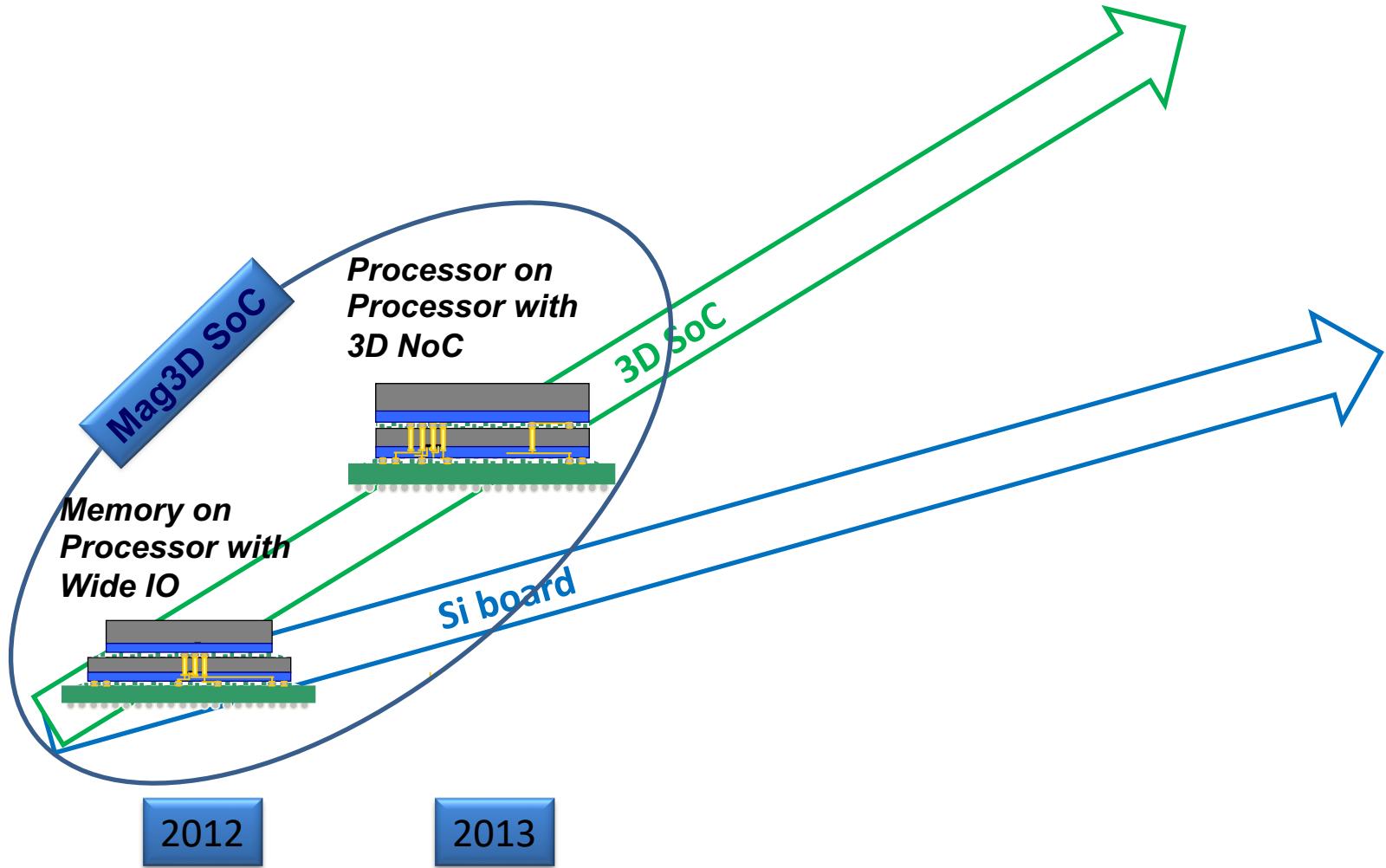
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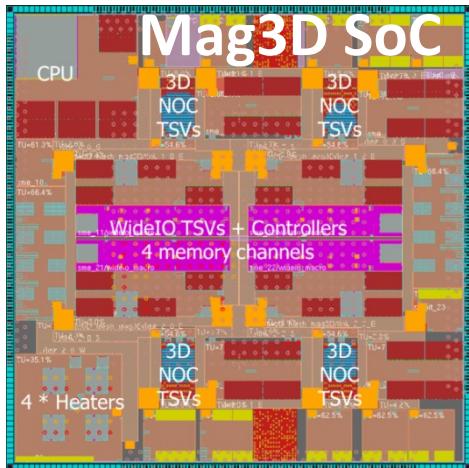
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Mad3D demonstrator

- Focus on 3D-SoC and on intra-chip interconnects
- Partnership between LETI, STEricsson, STMicroelectronics and Cadence
- Same SoC addressing several schemes of 3D integration:

High speed CMOS techno - 70mm²
3000 TSVs and micro-bumps
1000 flip-chip bumps
TFBGA 12x12x1.2 - 581balls



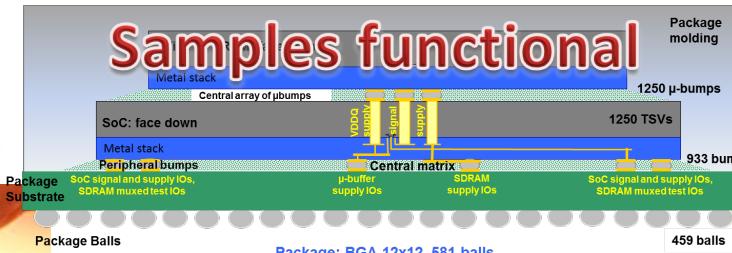
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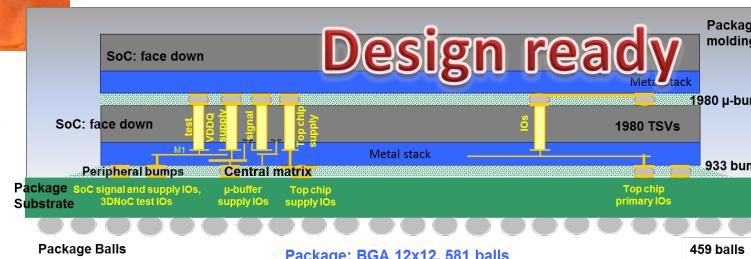
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Memory-on-Processor version :
WIOMING = Mag3D + WidelIO DRAM



Differentiation with minimum number of masks

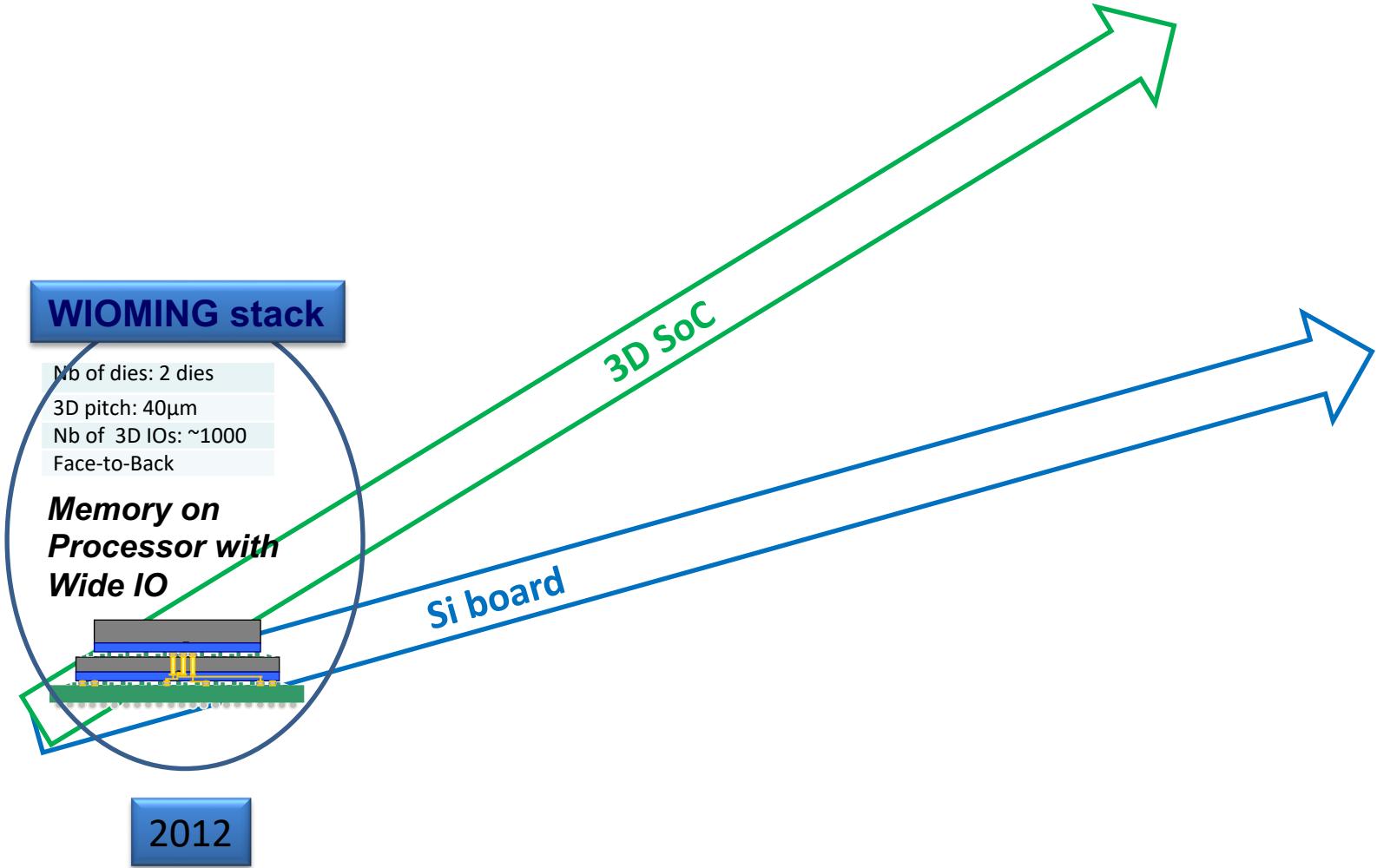


DRAM traffic:
High bandwidth
Low power

NoC traffic:
Asynchronous
Serialization

Processor-on-Processor version :
MAGtoMAG = Mag3D + Mag3D with 3D ANoC

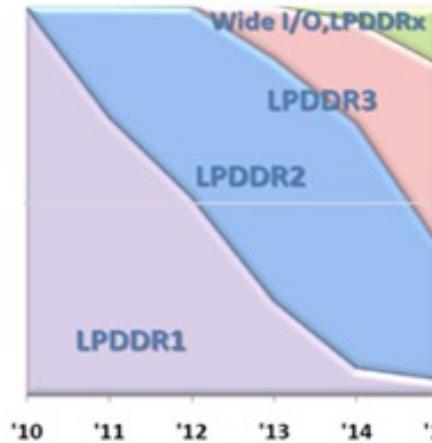
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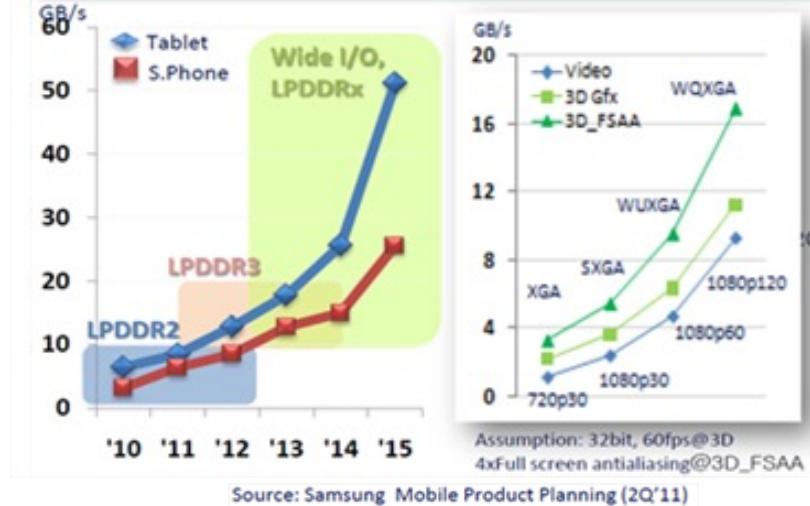
Why do we need WideIO DRAM?

- Graphics and display performance of high end smartphone and tablet devices will be limited by memory bandwidth in 2013 time frame
- WideIO provides 2x power efficiency compared to LPDDR2/3
- The current wideIO JEDEC spec proposal is going up to 17GBytes/s. Moving to DDR mode and higher frequencies will enable eventually **WideIO to provide more than 50GBytes/s**

Technology Transition



DRAM Bandwidth Requirements



Memory Options and BW

WIOMING

	LPDDR2 PoP	LPDDR3 PoP/Discrete	WideIO single die	WideIO Cube	LPDDR4	WideIO2
BW (Gbyte/s)	8.5	12.8	12.8	12.8	~25.6	~34 → 136
possible BW evolution (Gbyte/s)	-	17⁽¹⁾	17⁽²⁾	17⁽²⁾	-	-
max package density (Gbit)	4x4	4x4	1x4	4x4	TBD	TBD
power efficiency (mW/Gbyte/s)	78	67	42	42	TBD	TBD
Samples availability	OK	OK	OK	4Q '12	2015?	2015?
volume maturity	2011	2012	2013	2013	2015?	2015?
relative memory cost for equivalent density⁽³⁾	1	~1.1	~1.2	~1.4	TBD	TBD

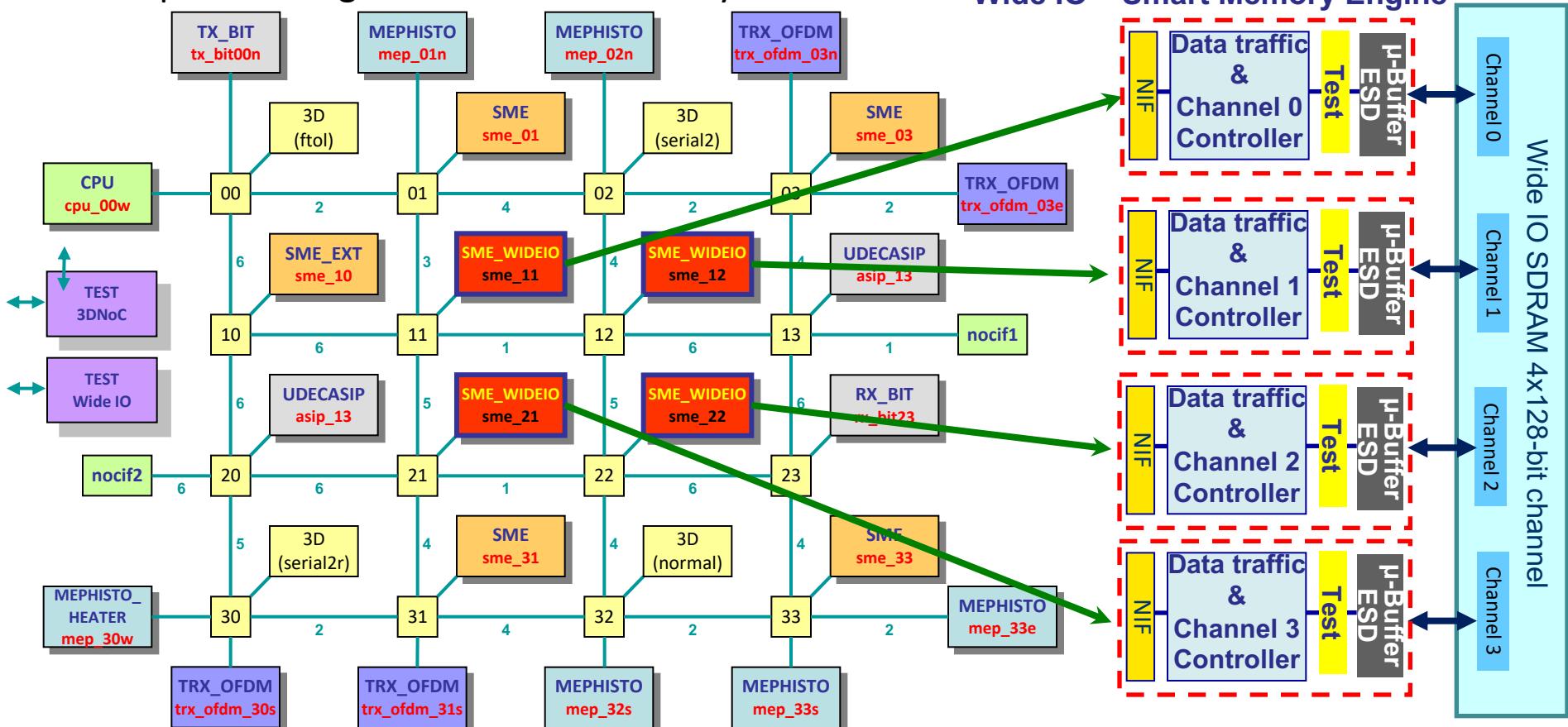
⁽¹⁾ LPDDR3E: clock from 800 to 1066MHz. Discussion just started at Jedec and memory vendors

⁽²⁾ WideIO clock frequency from 200MHz to 266Mhz: already specified at Jedec

⁽³⁾ Estimates based on memory supplier survey (memory cost only)

Wide IO integration into Mag3D

- 3D test chip backbone is the LETI MAGALI SoC
- The NoC architecture has been extended to interface with Wide IO memory
- Four independent data traffic and memory controllers have been added
- Specific design for WideIO Testability



Wide IO controller architecture

Wide IO Memory Controller

- NoC Memory Controller and data transfer management (*LETI*)
- WideIO Memory Controller (*Denali/Cadence*)
- Physical interface & testability (*STEricsson*)

ANoC output:
550Mflit/s
32-bit flit
2.2 GB/S peak

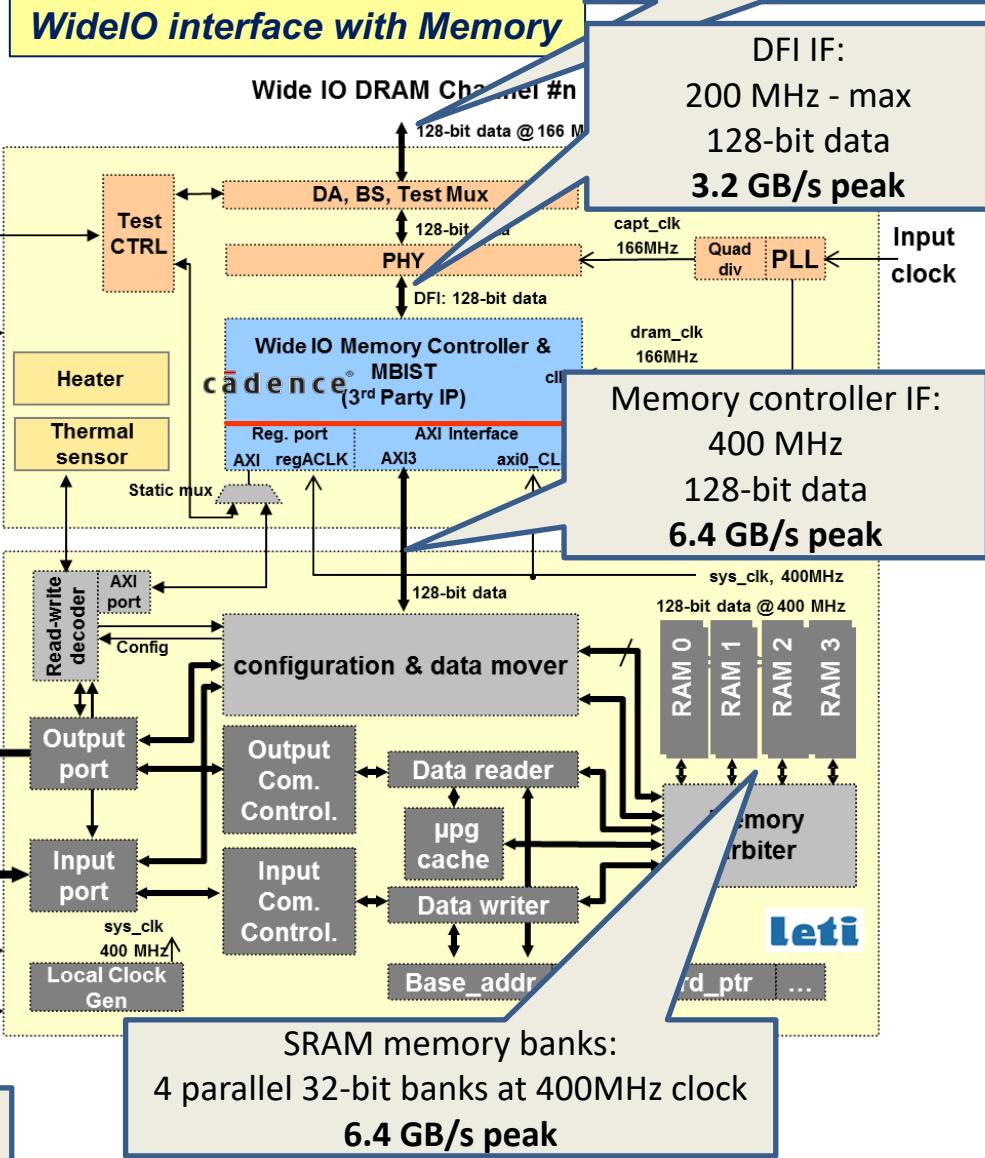
NoC interface with SoC

Network On Chip

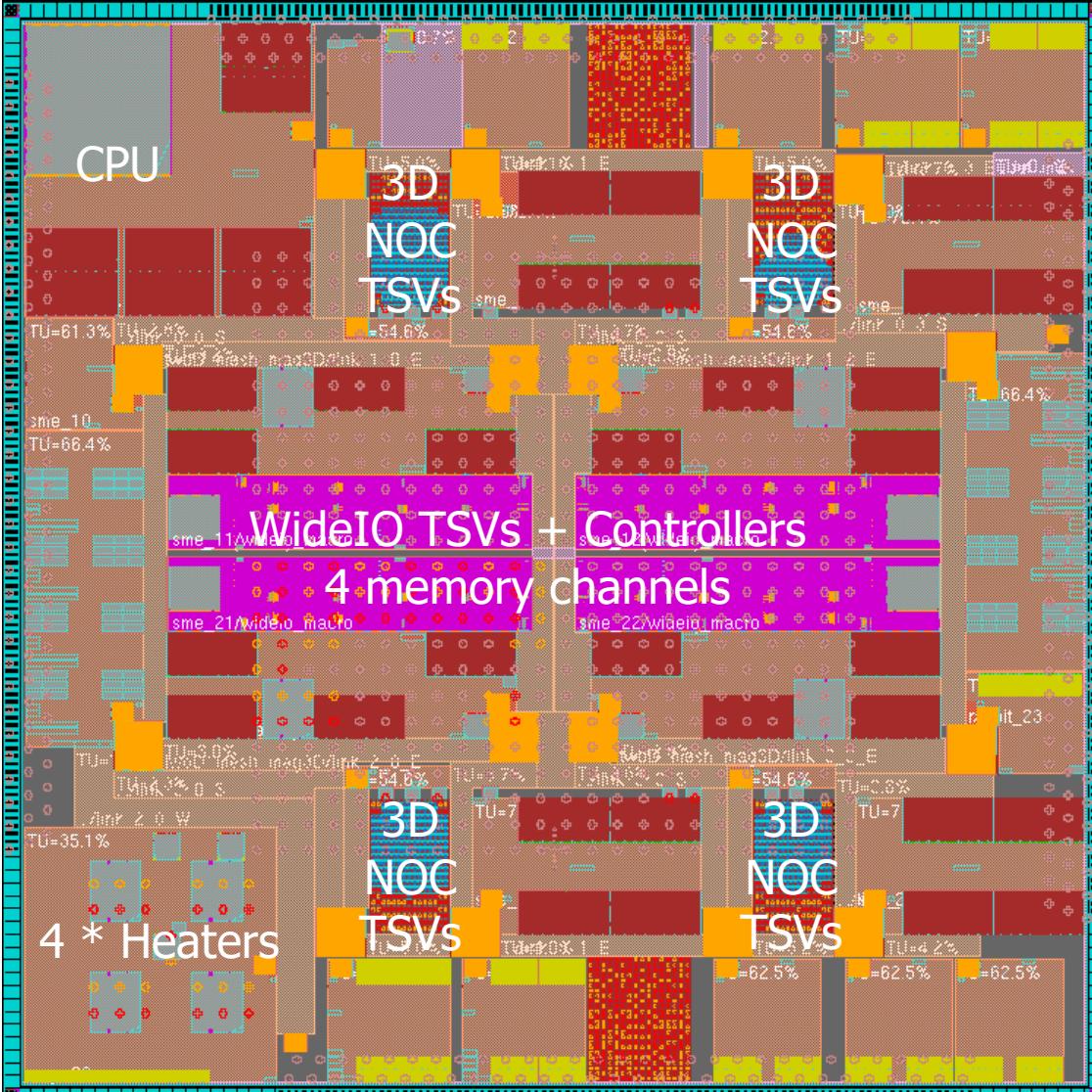
Reset

Reference clock

ANoC input:
550Mflit/s, 32-bit flit
2.2 GB/S peak



Mag3D final GDSII



Circuit Technology

- High speed CMOS TSV middle process
- Face2Back, Die2Die, Flip-Chip 3Dassembly

Main features

- WidelIO memory controllers
- 3D ANOC
- 3GPP LTE multi core CPU backbone
- Host CPU

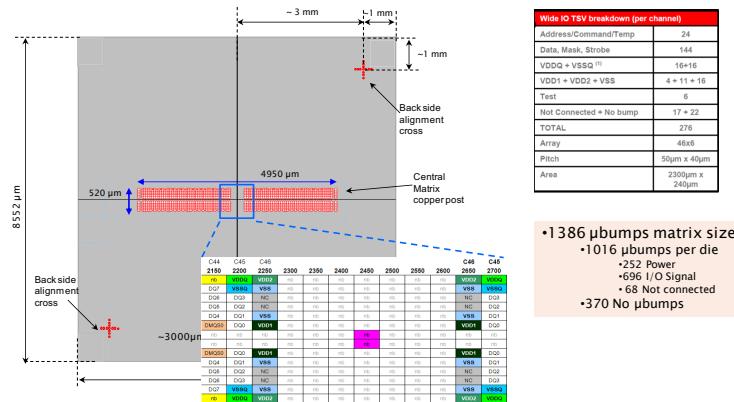
Circuit numbers

- 125 Million Transistors
- 400 Macros
- 270 pads
- 1980 TSV for 3D NoC
- 1016 TSV for WidelIO memory
- 933 Bumps for flip chip

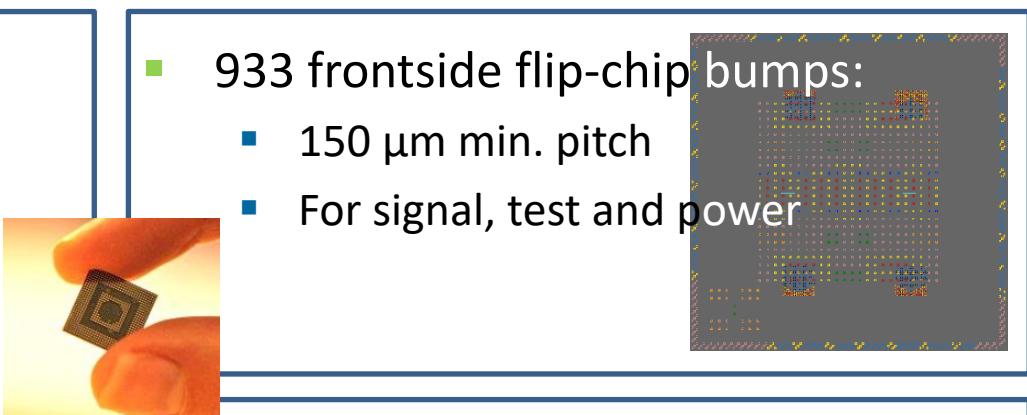
Circuit performances

- WidelIO 200MHz / 512 bits
- Units in the [350 - 400] MHz range
- Asynchronous NoC ~ 550 MHz

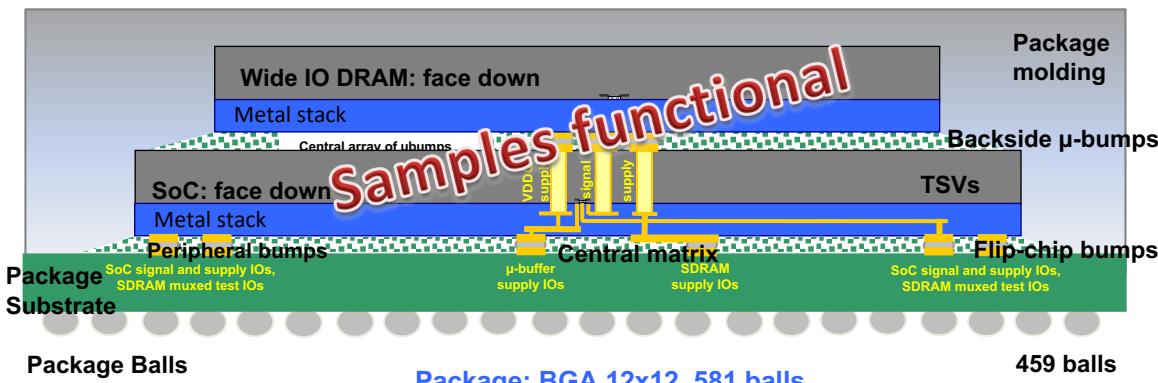
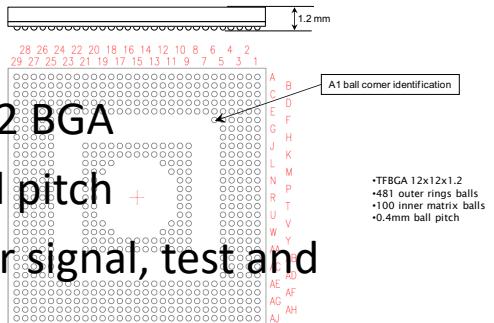
WIOMING stack



- 1016 backside micro-bumps / TSVs:
 - 50µm x 40 µm pitch
 - For signal, test and power
 - No backside redistribution layer
 - Mechanical bumps added



- Package:
 - 12 x 12 x 1.2 BGA
 - 0.4 mm ball pitch
 - 459 balls for signal, test and power



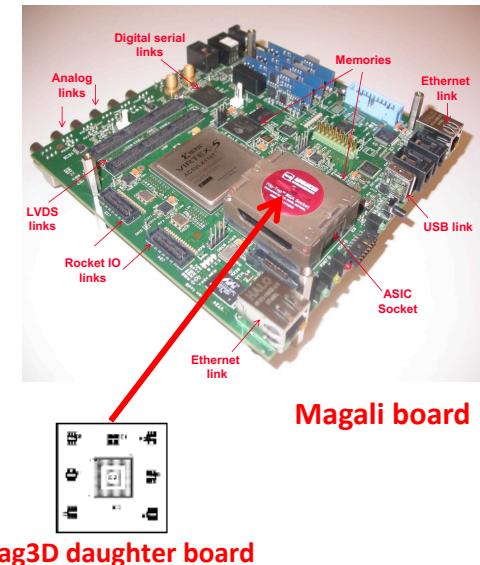
Assembly technology

Assembly	Die-to-Die
Stacking	Face-to-Back
TSV process	Via Middle
TSV density	10µm diameter
TSV xy pitch	50µm x 40 µm
Copper Pillars	20µm diameter

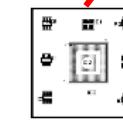
Mag3D application board

- Same application environment for hosting the different 3D versions of Mag3D:

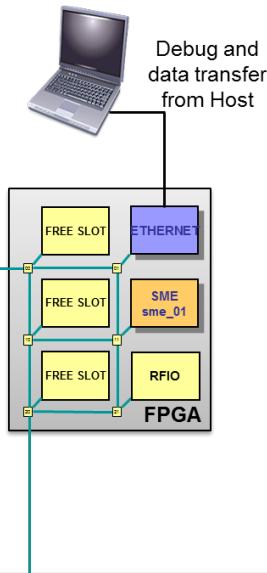
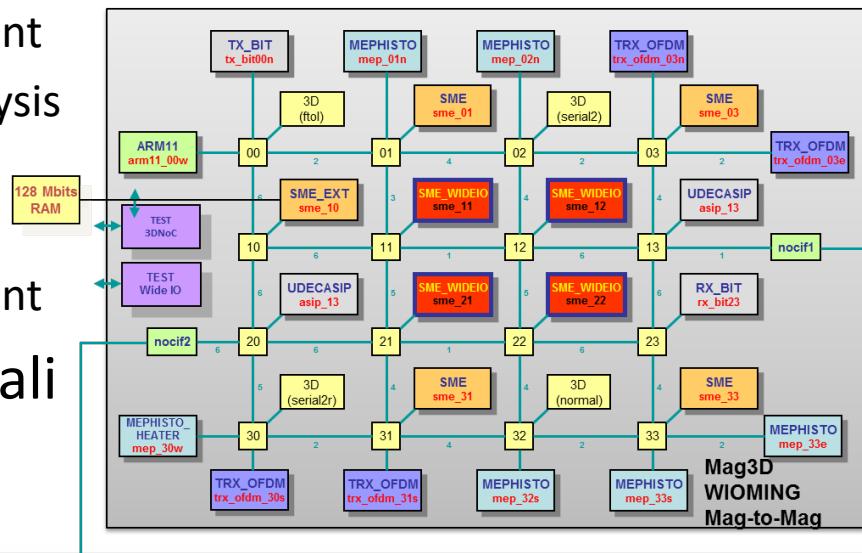
- Standalone (Mag3D only):
 - 3GPP-LTE Application perimeter
- Wioming (Mag3D + Wide IO):
 - Wide IO technology performance assessment
 - Thermal behavior analysis
- Mag –to-Mag:
 - 3D ANoC technology performance assessment
- Baseline is existing Magali prototyping board



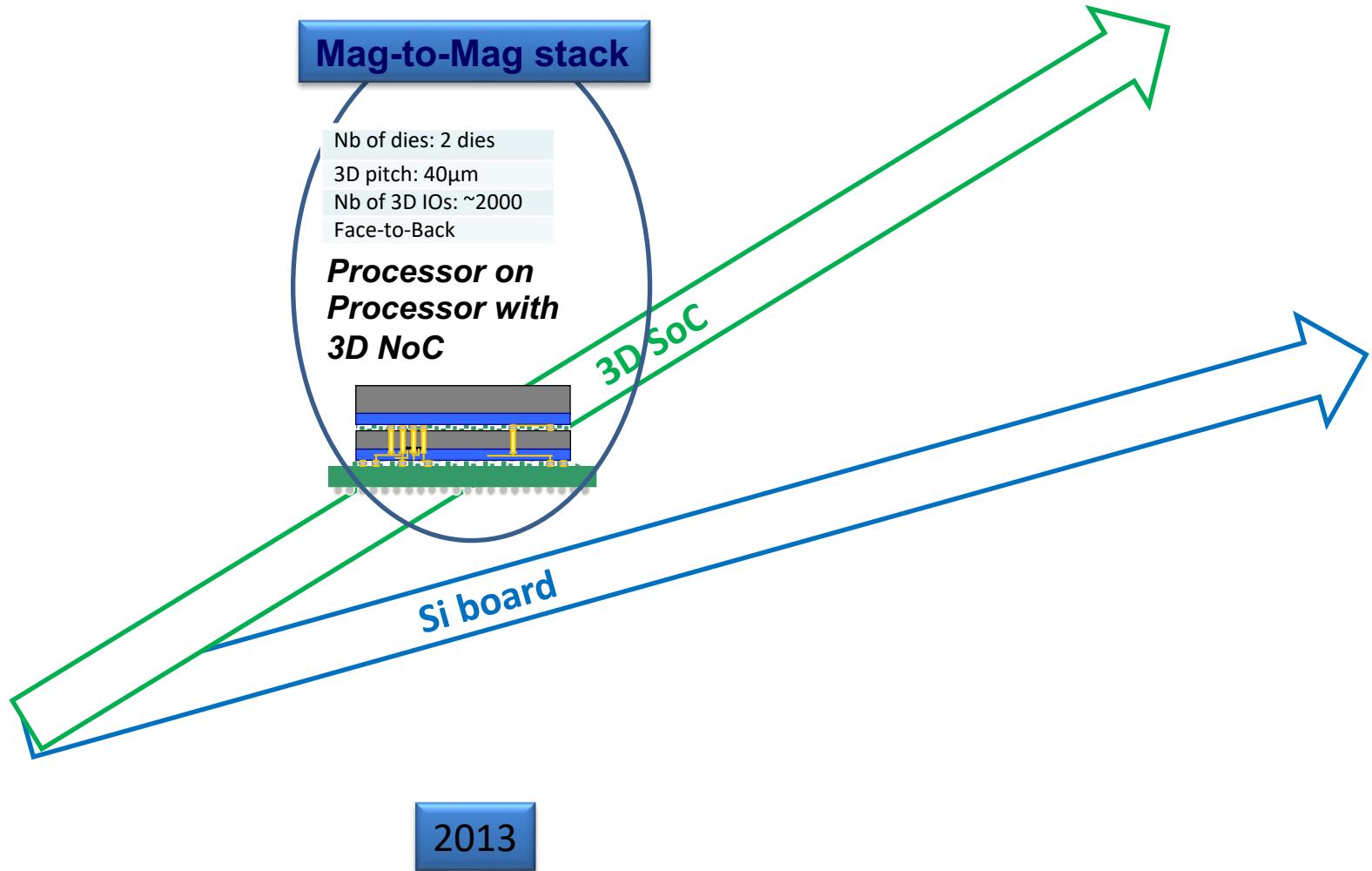
Magali board



Mag3D daughter board

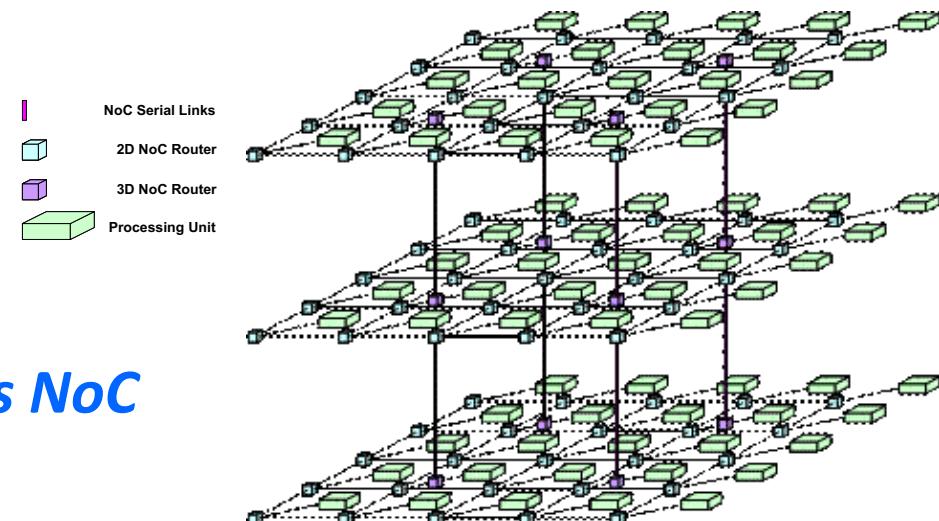


Our design roadmap



3D Asynchronous NoC for Multi-core Scalability

- For technology nodes < 32 nm
 - Performance is required in many applications, Mask cost + design time limit developments possibilities
⇒ High volume production is required
- Proposal: easily stackable simple “tiles”
 - No complex phy, a set of tiles will give you the performance for your application.
⇒ Increase number of applications for a single die, reach required volume production.
- Constraints ?
 - High bandwidth between dies,
 - Easy staking, no clock distribution issues
 - Power distribution,
 - Testability,
 - Fault Tolerance
- *Proposal : 3D Asynchronous NoC*
 - ⇒ Fast serial link
 - ⇒ Full asynchronous logic
 - ⇒ Including 3D DFT and Fault Tolerance



Quasi Delay Insensitive Asynchronous Logic

Quasi Delay Insensitive (QDI) Logic

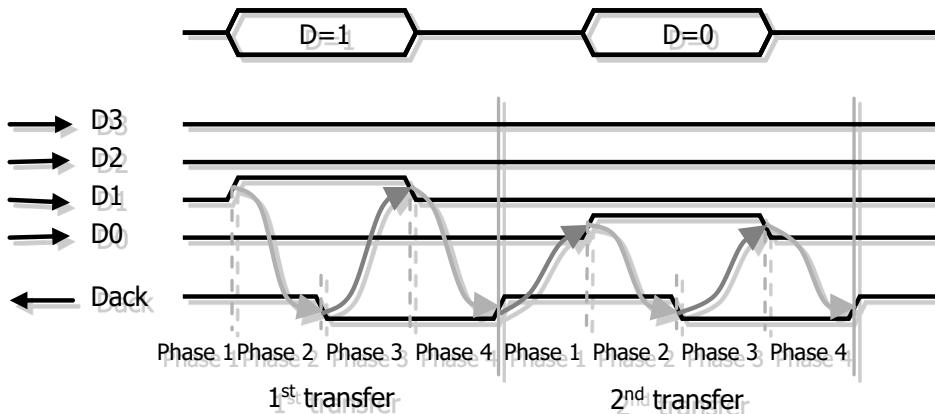
- Initiated by Caltech Univ. (1995)
- Provide robustness to PVT conditions
- Consume energy only for allowed transitions
- Self adapt to voltage supply
- => Perfectly adapted for 3D TSV connection

Explicit asynchronous handshakes

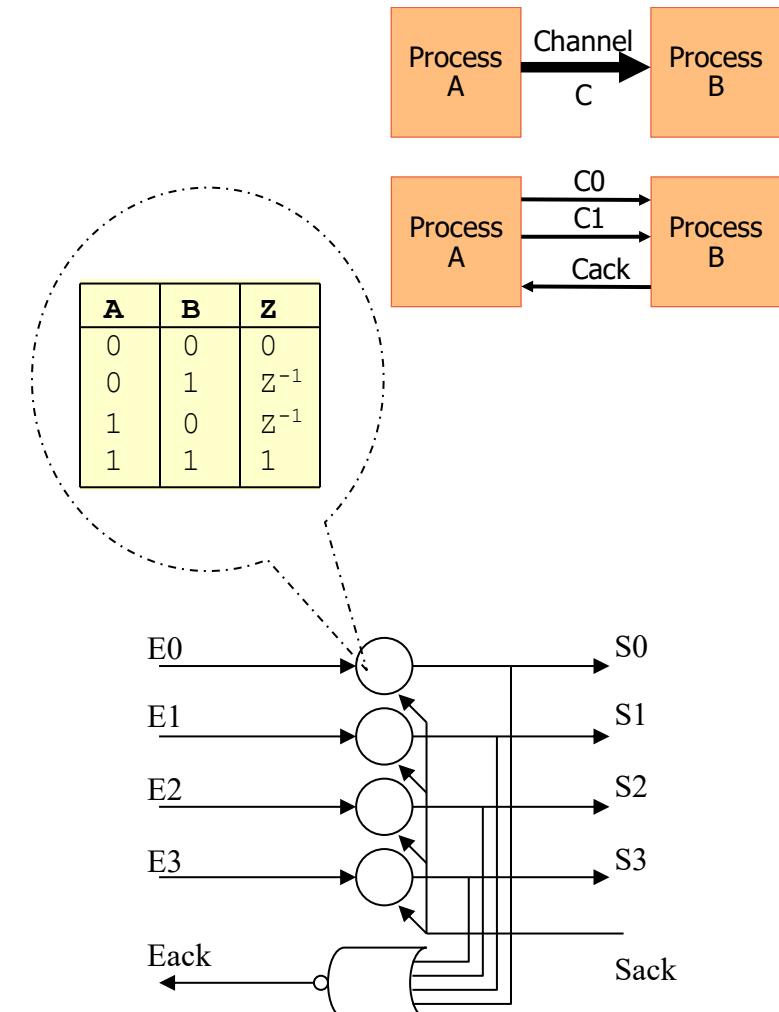
- dual-rail or 4-rail encoding
- 4-phase Return to Zero protocol

Fully implemented in standard-cell

- Using C-elements or Muller gates



QDI 4-Phase / 4-Rail Asynchronous Protocol

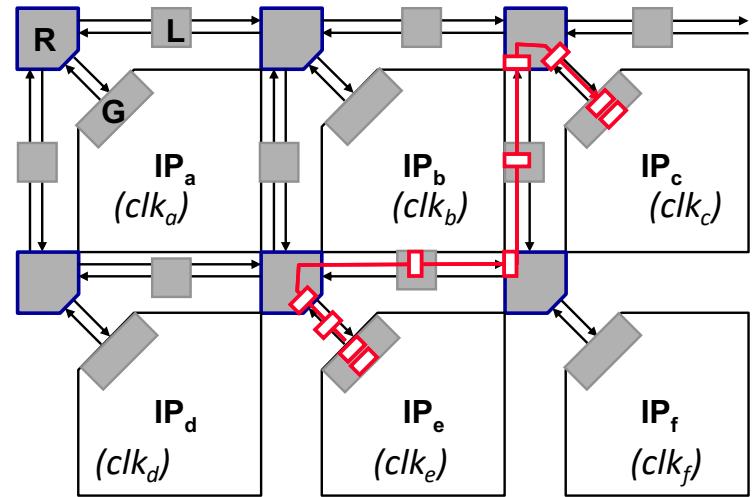


Asynchronous 4-rail pipeline stage

3D ANoC : Asynchronous NoC features

■ ANoC main features

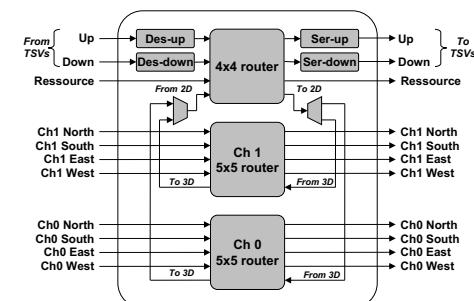
- GALS template
- **2D mesh** based extended in **3D**
- Paquet based, source routing
- 32 bits, 2 virtual or physical channels
- GALS interfaces to bridge between asynchronous and synchronous domain
- Local clock generators in each synchronous IP
- **Asynchronous** NoC achieves 550 MFlits/s



« A Fully-Asynchronous Low-Power Framework for GALS NoC Integration »
Yvain Thonnart, Pascal Vivet, Fabien Clermidy, DATE'2010

■ 3D ANoC serial link ?

- ⇒ **serialization**, to reduce number of TSVs at 3D NoC interface,
- ⇒ NoC serial link is also fully implemented in asynchronous logic.
- ⇒ this is a compromise between throughput and number of TSVs

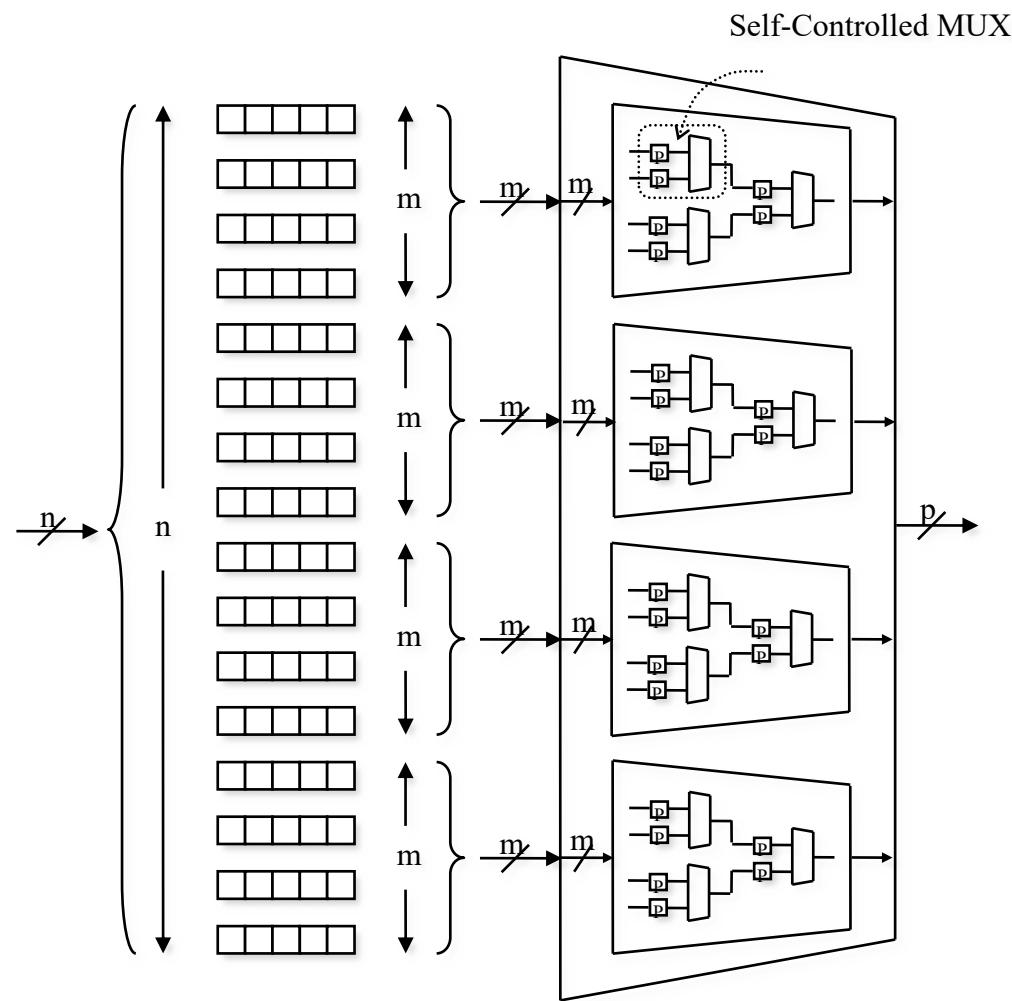


Serial Link Circuit Implementation

- a Serializer of n:p composed of p Serializer of m:1
 - a Serializer of m:1 is a tree of “Self-Controlled Multiplexors”
- $m = \text{Serialization Ratio} = \frac{n}{p}$
- R, The Serialization Bandwidth Ratio as the throughput cost factor
 - f, the transfer rate of parallel input data
 - g, the transfer rate of serialized output data

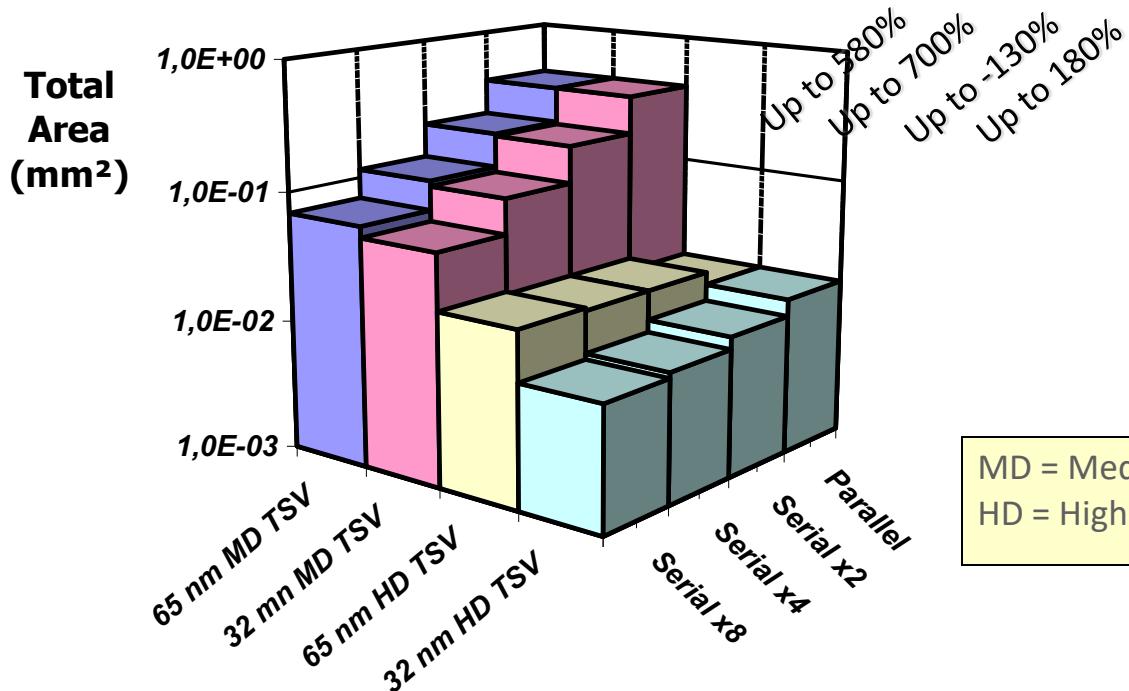
$$R = \text{Serialization Bandwidth Ratio} = \frac{n \times f}{p \times g}$$

$$R = \frac{4 \times 550 \text{Mflits/s}}{1 \times 1200 \text{Mflits/s}} = 1.8, \text{ and not } 4$$



Serialization Area Cost Analysis

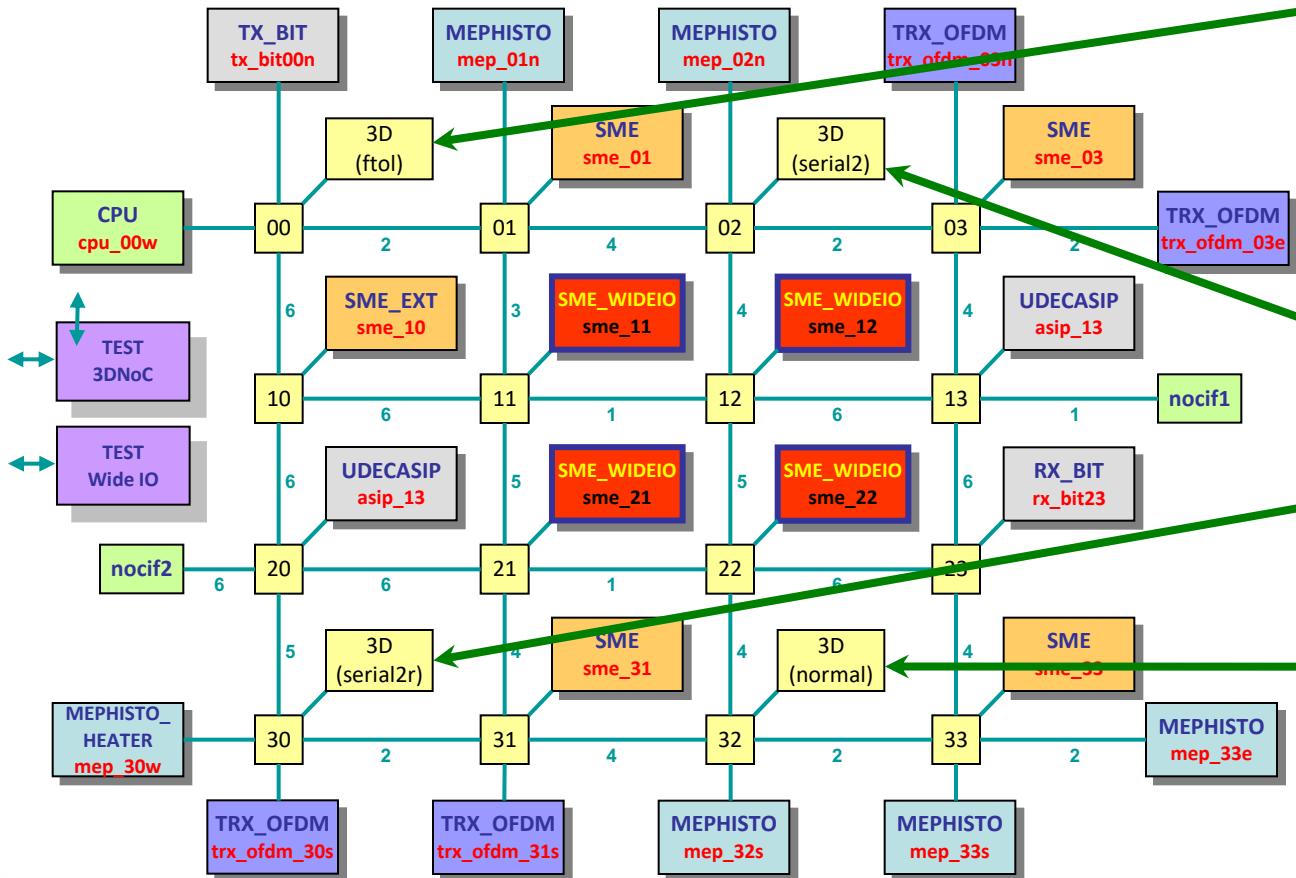
	MD TSV	HD TSV	65 nm	32 nm
Parallel	0.4 mm ²	0.016 mm ²	0 mm ²	0 mm ²
Serial x2	0.2 mm ²	0.008 mm ²	0.012 mm ²	0.0039 mm ²
Serial x4	0.1 mm ²	0.004 mm ²	0.016 mm ²	0.0056 mm ²
Serial x8	0.05 mm ²	0.002 mm ²	0.019 mm ²	0.0067 mm ²

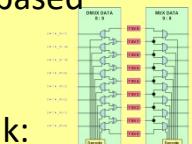
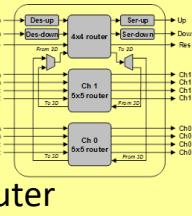


MD = Medium density (10 µm diameter)
HD = High density (1 µm diameter)

3D ANoC integration into Mag3D

- 3D test chip based on the LETI Magali SoC backbone
- The NoC architecture has been extended to support four 3D NoC interfaces
- Includes JTAG based 3D DFT



Four implementation flavors of 3D ANoC
3D ANoC with fault tolerance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add 15% spare TSV per ANoC serial link • Test & repair JTAG based architecture 
3D ANoC with serial link: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serialization to reduce number of TSVs : Trade-off between throughput (performance) and nb of TSV (cost) • 2x redundancy 
3D ANoC : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hierarchical 3D router • Fully asynchronous

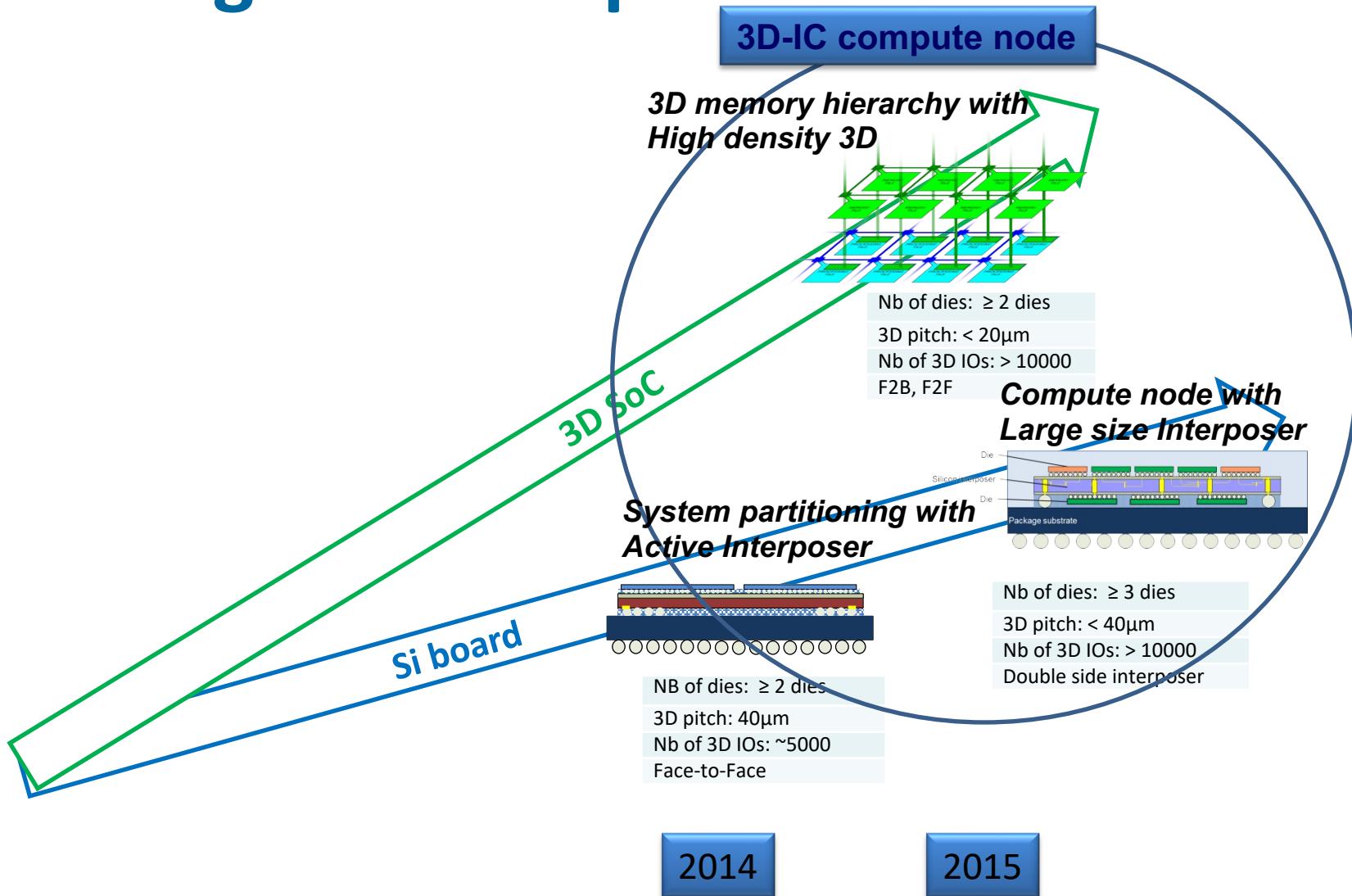
MAGtoMAG stack specification

- Partnership between LETI, STMicroelectronics and Cadence
- One Mag3D die is stacked on top of another Mag3D die in the same package
- Face to Back stacking
- Mag3D supplies and interconnect signals (3D-NoC) go through the SoC by means of TSVs

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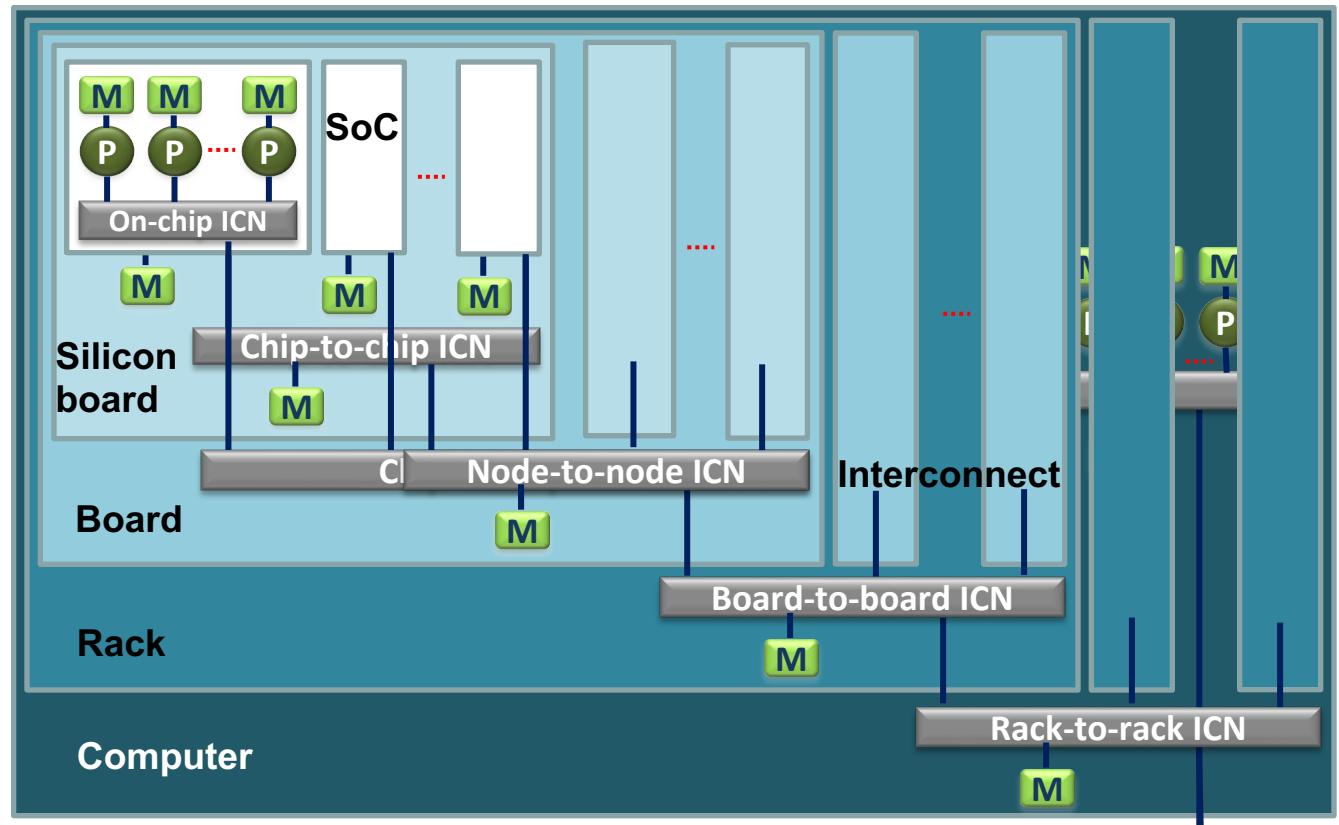
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Where is 3D in massively parallel computing ?

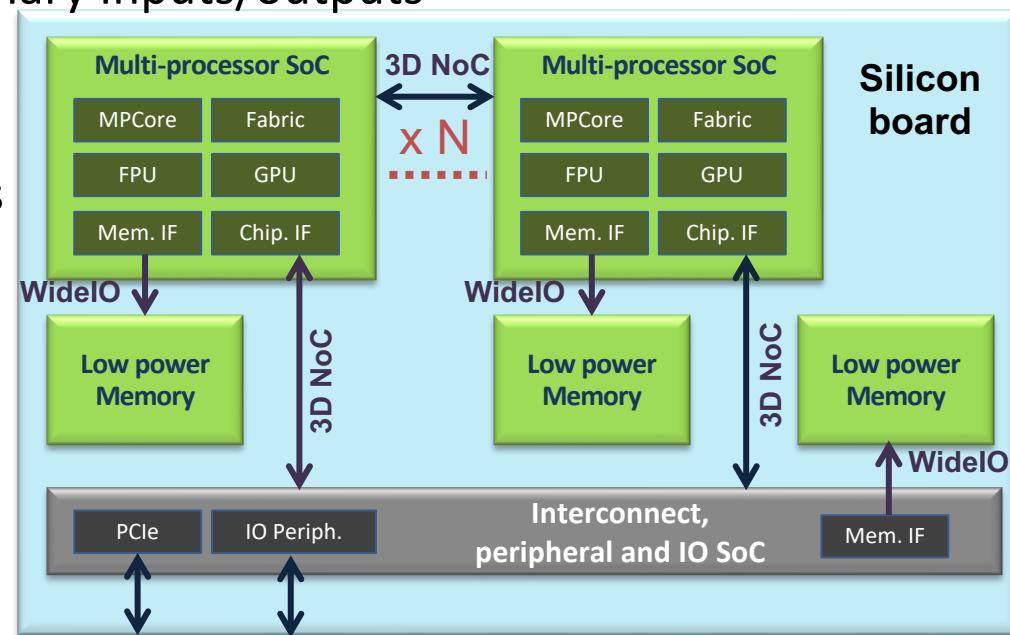
Silicon board:

3D Integrated Circuit
to fill the integration
gap for massively
parallel computing



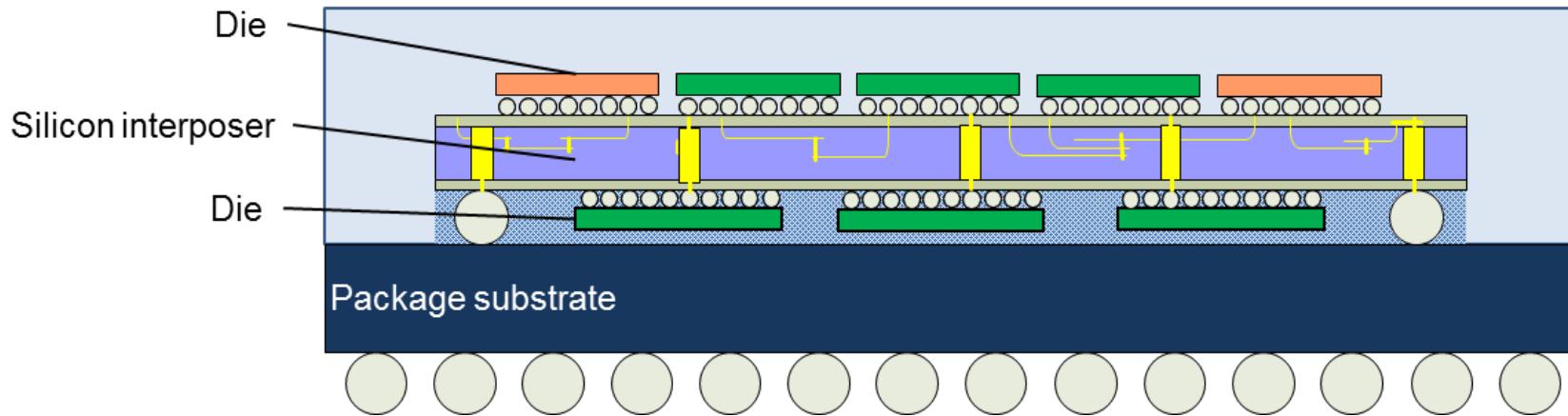
3D-IC compute node architecture

- Several small and low power System-on-Chips:
 - Multi-processor SoC: MPCore CPU + FPU + GPU + processing fabric with 3D-cache hierarchy
 - Memory SoC: Wide IO SDRAM, Non Volatile Memory
 - Interconnect, peripheral and IO SoC: Interfaces (memory, PCIe...), peripheral interconnect and primary Inputs/outputs
- Energy efficient interconnects:
 - WidelIO for memory connections
 - Asynchronous Network on Chip (3D NoC) for inter-processor communications



Interposer based system integration

- Focus is miniaturization and energy efficient intra-chip communications.
- Silicon interposer technology benefits for system integration are:
 - High **horizontal interconnect density with metal layers**
 - Aggressive **vertical interconnect thanks to TSV technology**
 - Backbone for **heterogeneous integration** of small dies + **passives**
 - Backbone for integration of **IOs, shared peripherals , test, Power Management Units**
 - Better **thermal conductivity** with silicon



- **3D Design Flow & Challenges**

Collaborative definition of 3D Design Flow with EDA partners

Yesterday: Survivor kit...

- manual implementation of TSV
- Manual partitioning with 2D tools



Multiple partnerships to prepare 3D design flow



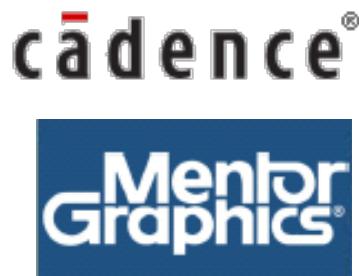
3D Stack Design Exploration

- Multiple techno nodes
- Die partitioning
- Architecture exploration
- Simultaneous floorplan and TSV location exploration



3D Stack/Package analysis

- 3D Thermal Profile analysis
- 3D Test & Defect analysis

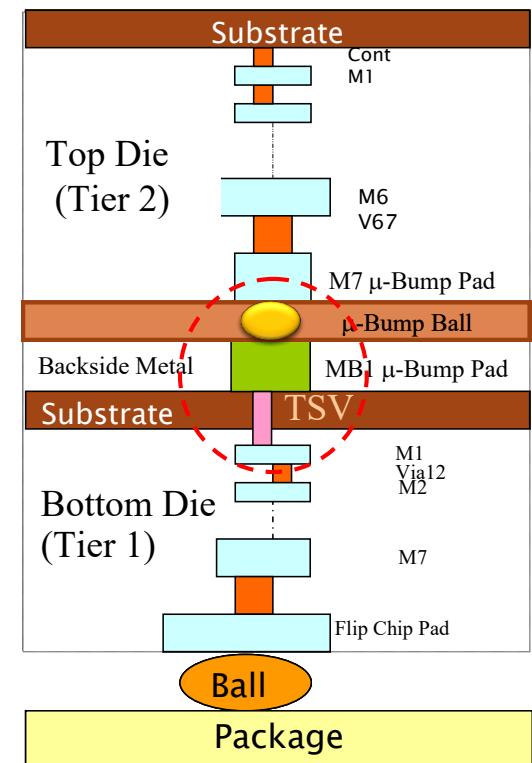


3D Implementation

- 3D Floorplan
- 3D Power planning
- 3D Test
- 2D Place & CTS & Route
- 3D analysis (power/timing)
- 3D Verification

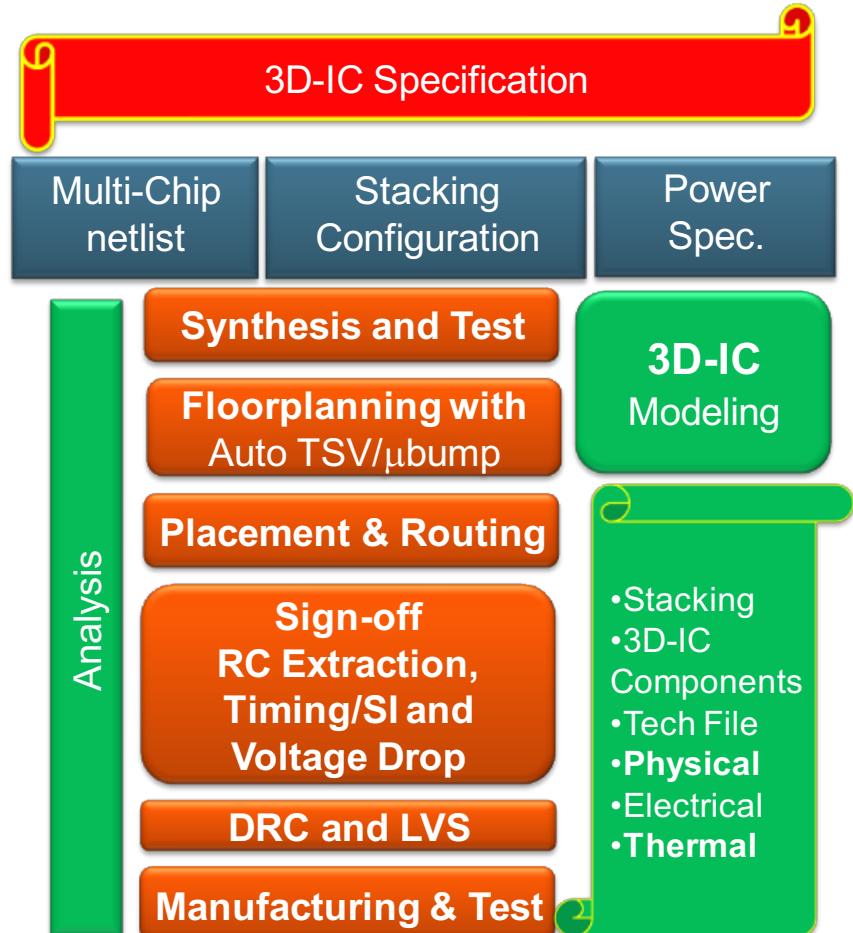
3D Design Flow : WIOMING exemple

- Target technology
 - Uses ST-Microelectronics high-speed CMOS library
 - Uses TSV middle ($\varnothing 10\mu\text{m}$) + Copper Pillar ($\varnothing 10\mu\text{m}$)
 - Is a Flip-Chip packaging assembly
 - Is a Face2Back, Die to Die 3D stacking assembly
- Back End kit
 - Virtuoso tech file addon kit for 3D layers
 - EDI Techno file & captable
 - DRC & LVS « 3D » addon kit
- Specific cells
 - Flip Chip Bumps, Micro-bumps,
 - ESDs, Micro-buffers,



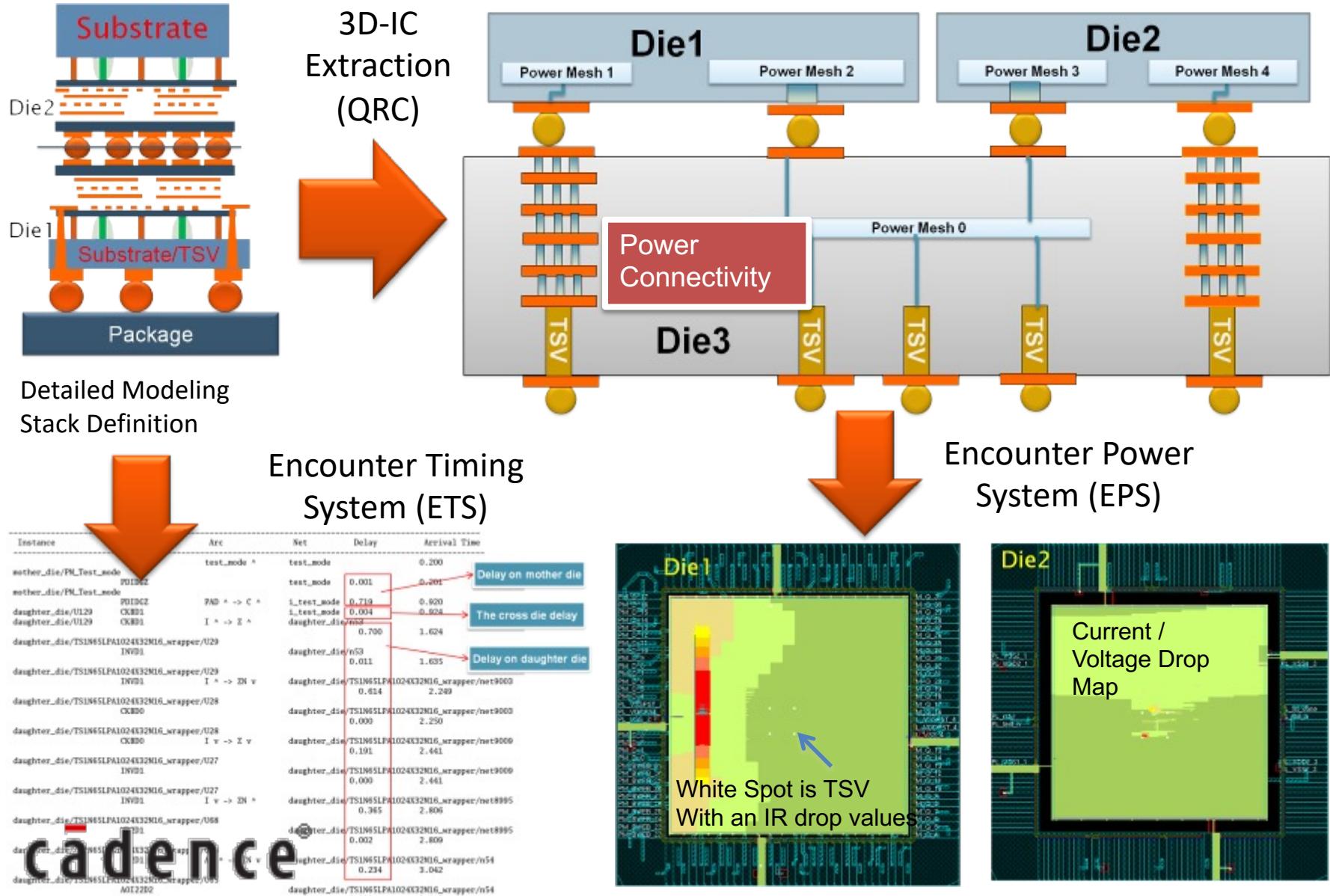
Cadence EDI 3D-IC Stack Design Implementation & Analysis

- Cadence **Encounter 3D-IC** design implementation is developed in collaboration with major foundries and advanced system designers.
- Supports a comprehensive 3D-IC modeling for both implementation and analysis.
 - Different types of 3D Interconnect: TSV, micro-bump, copper pillar or direct bonding and backside metal layers.
 - Multiple set of manufacturing rules
- Supports multiple types of 3D-IC stacking in design implementation and analysis
 - Silicon interposer
 - Vertical stack.
 - Mixed stack.
- EDI Design methodology and design flow are proven with several 3D-IC tape-out.



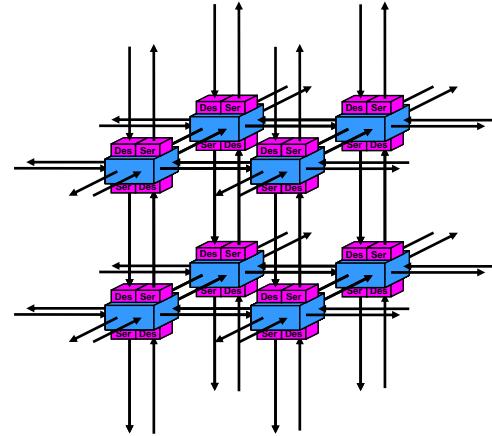
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Cadence EDI 3D-IC Analysis Methodology



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3D-ANoC : TSV Floorplanning



3D-ANoC TSV design

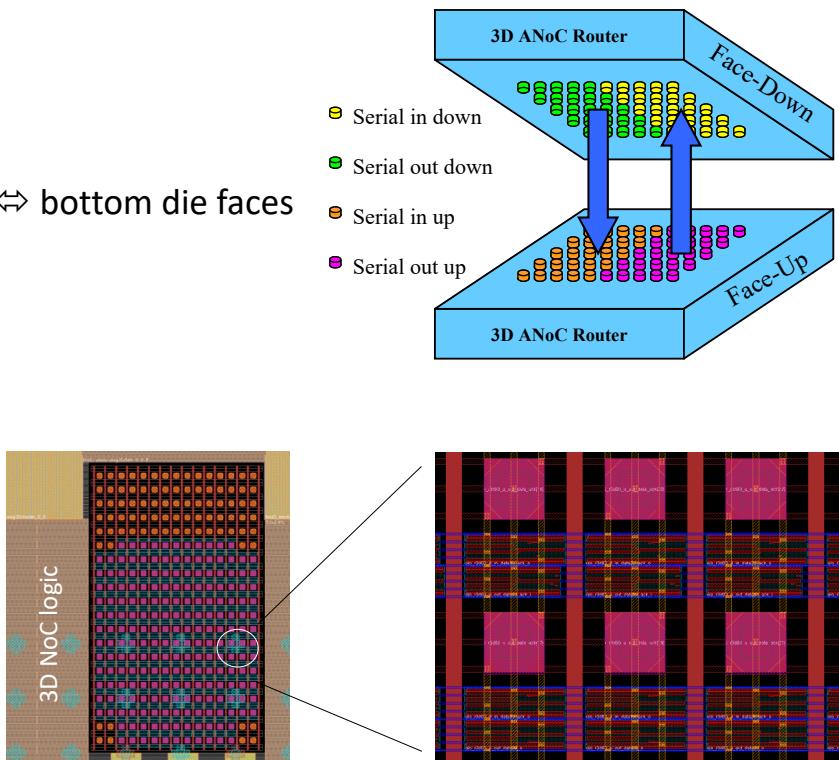
- Symetrical 3D NoC connection for face-up \Leftrightarrow face-down
- 3D NoC matrix also contains power supplies (gnd/vdd) to supply top die through bottom die

Place & Route tool flow

- Use automated TSV creation + assignement + symmetric top \Leftrightarrow bottom die faces

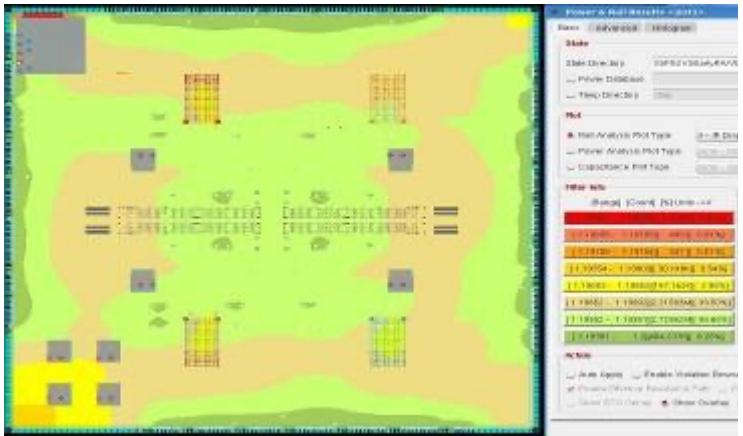
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- set die to bottom  
- Create the TSV matrix  
- Assign TSV + backBump for bottom die  
- save TSV & back Bump for bottom die connection  
- set die to top  
- create front Bump of top die, from bottom die file
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- Then, use semi-automated FP commands for :
 - PG connections between TSV and flip-chip bumps,
 - μ - Buffer cell placement,
 - PG routing within the TSV matrix,
 - ESDs, etc ...



3D-IC : Power & IR drop analysis

- Using Encounter Power System (EPS tool)
 - Currently using ERA (Early Rail Analysis) mode
 - No sign-off mode, due to missing of sign off library views
- Power analysis
 - Top chip power consumption in the **1-2 Watt**,
 - according to target frequency and activity ratio.
- 3D IR-Drop analysis (of the same die)
 - **Bottom Die**
=> supplied from the Flip-Chip IO ring + central matrix power supplies
 - 0.02 mV max IR drop
 - **Top Die**
=> supplied from the TSV matrix, through the bottom die
 - 0.2 mV max IR drop

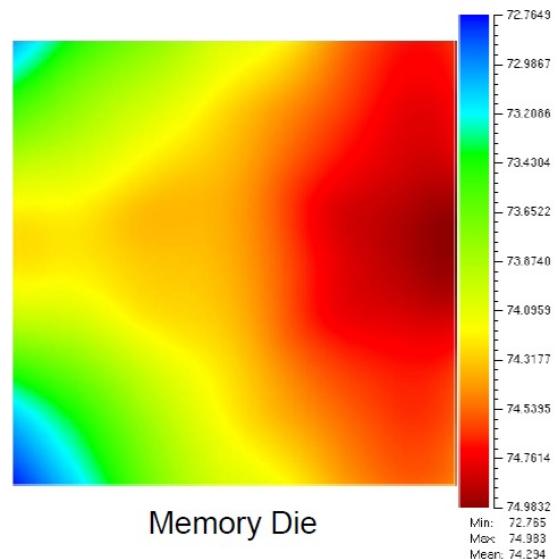
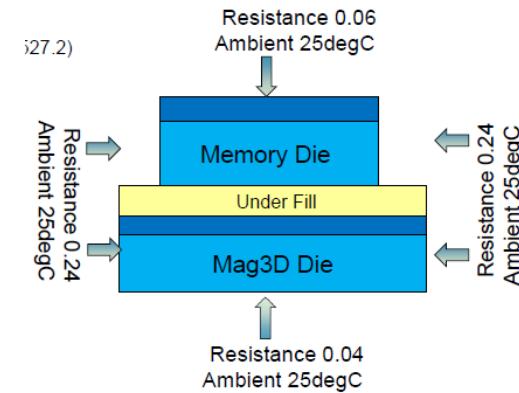
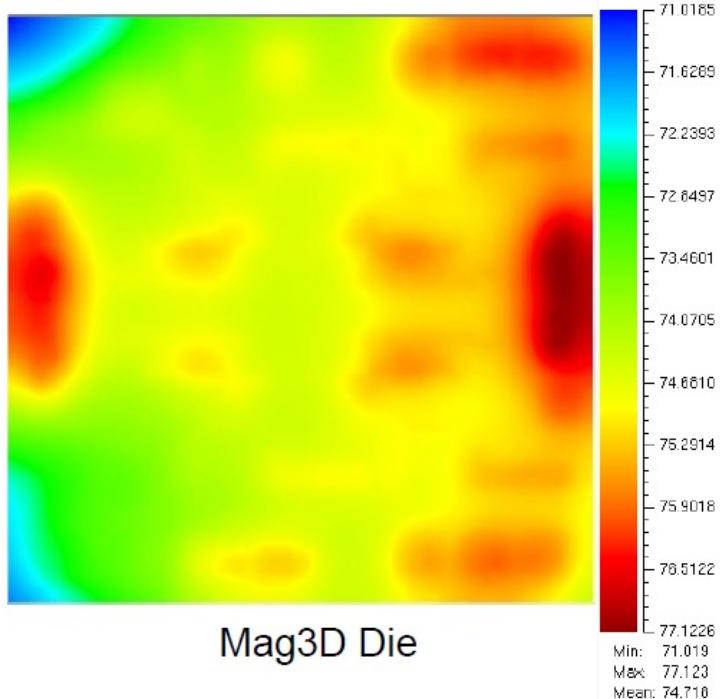


3D-IC : Thermal Analysis

Power Map :

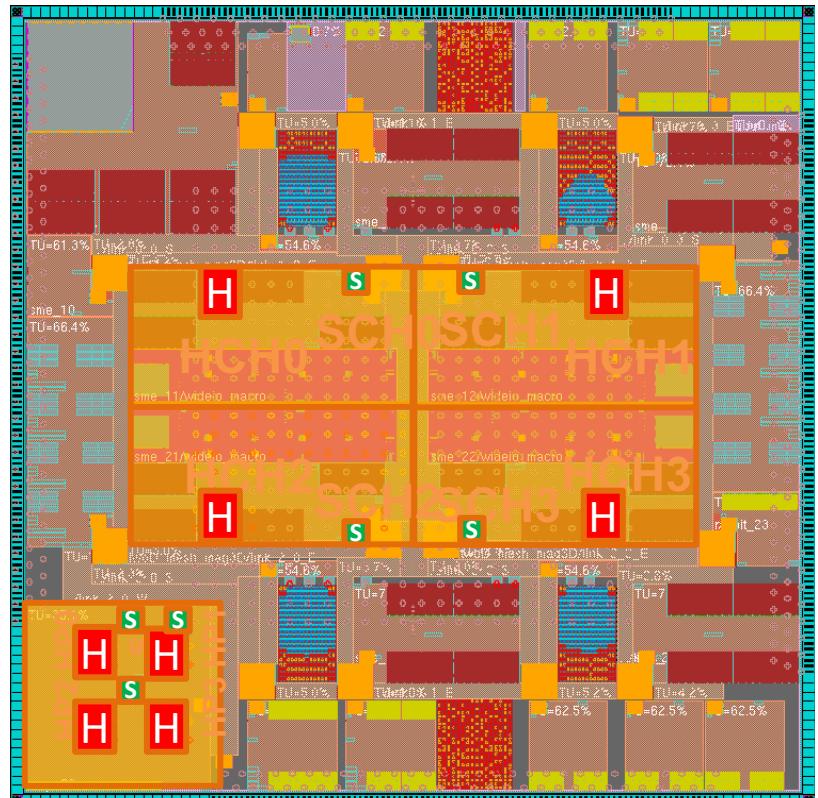
- SoC Die : 2 Watts
- Memory Die : 0.5 Watts

→ Using Encouter Thermal analysis



Mag3D heaters and thermal sensors

- For thermal behavior analysis in a 3D package environment:
 - 8 heater blocks (STEricsson) to emulate hot spots
 - Can generate each 1Watt
 - Total ~ 8Watt
 - Separate supplies by use of dedicated flip chip bumps for rich power profile emulation from application board
 - Thermal sensor for temperature measurement from the application software



Heater

Thermal Sensor

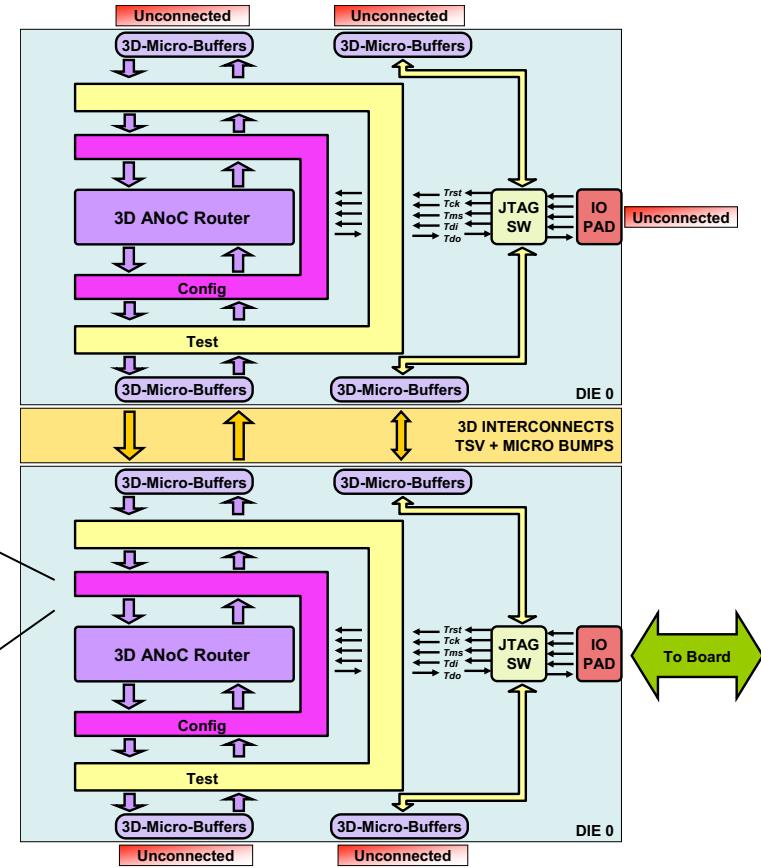
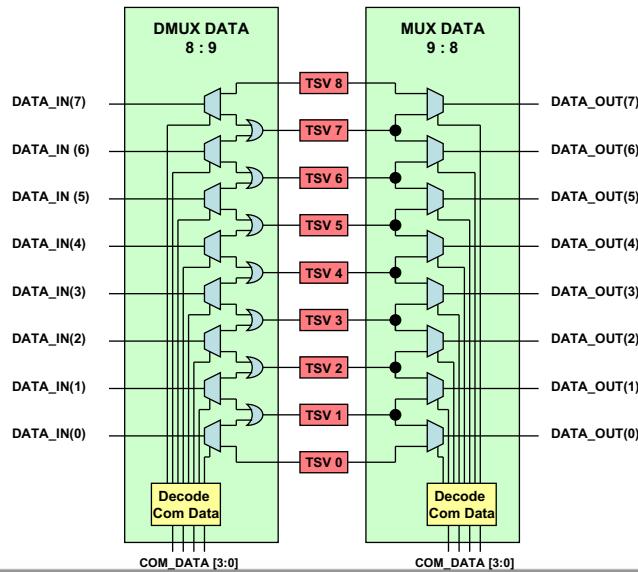
3D ANoC : DFT and fault tolerance

■ 3D ANoC DFT architecture → test individual TSVs

- Based on JTAG protocol IEEE 1149.1
- One DFT test wrapper + one TAP per die
- JTAG protocol propagation in the 3D stack

■ TSV fault tolerance

- Add 15% spare TSV per ANoC serial link
- ⇒ *Test & repair JTAG based architecture*



Wide IO Test Architecture

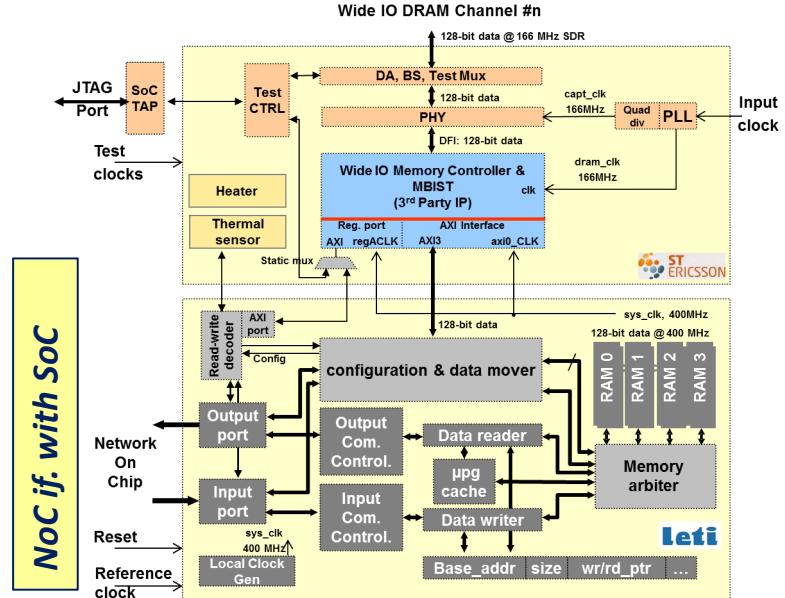
WideIO if. with Memory

Specific design for WideIO Testability

- Use of IEEE 1500 Test Controller
- Use of OCC (On Chip Clock controller)
- 5 different test mode features

WideIO memory test ?

- ➔ *Memory is delivered tested by the DRAM foundry,*
- ➔ *but through dedicated pads,*
- not through its WideIO matrix signals ...*



Test mode	Test feature & coverage
Boundary Scan	To test TSV connections between die & memory
Direct Access	To generate direct (<i>but partial</i>) memory accesses from die (used for debug purpose mainly)
Memory BIST	Memory BIST, included in the die (DENALI controller), to test the whole memory, using the WideIO interface
Stuck-at	Standard DFT of the WideIO memory Controller
PLL test & bist	To test the specific memory controller PLL



Some Other Design Challenges

- 3D Design Tools
 - 3D-stack and package co-design
 - 3D System Level partitionning and early floorplanning analysis
 - More automation for final verification (DRC, LVS)
- 3D Testability
 - On going standardization efforts
 - IEEE WG 3D Test (see <http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/3Dtest/>)
 - Optimize the overall 3D DFT architecture and 3D ATPG algorithm
 - Get more data on TSV defect & yield analysis
- 3D Analysis and Optimization
 - *Power Delivery Networks, for IRdrop and Thermal constraints*
 - *Thermal characterization & optimization*

Conclusion & perspective

- Wide IO: **Memory-on-processor**
 - In mobile computing, off-package memory interfaces have reached their limit above ~10GByte/s
 - 3D stacking technology enables a power efficiency breakthrough in memory interconnect
 - Integrated and validated in a real 3D prototype
- Asynchronous NoC: **Processor-on-processor**
 - Template based design offering efficient communication infrastructure
 - Asynchronous logic get rid of any timing deviation, of unknown 3D TSV, Bumps characteristics
 - Integrated in a real 3D prototype
- Wide IO + ANoC + Interposer
 - Key technologies for next generation power efficient compute node

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