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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Abstract

A semiconductor device according to an embodiment includes an insulating board having a circuit pattern, a semiconductor chip fixed on the insulating board and electrically-connected with the circuit pattern, and a power terminal that includes metal of a same type as the circuit pattern, and is electrically-connected with the circuit pattern, in which the power terminal includes a bond portion to be bonded with the circuit pattern, the bond portion having a plate shape, a penetrating portion penetrating through the bond portion in a thickness direction of the bond portion, and an extending portion that extends upward by bending from one end portion of the bond portion, and is configured to be able to connect the circuit pattern and an external device, and the bond portion and the circuit pattern are bonded by a bonding material containing particles of metal of a same type as the power terminal and the circuit pattern.

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Background/Summary

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS [0001] This application is a continuation application of International Application No. PCT/JP2024/005466, filed Feb. 16, 2024, incorporated herein by reference, and which claims the benefit of priority from Japanese Patent Application No. 2023-124895, filed Jul. 31, 2023, the entire contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

FIELD

[0002] Embodiments described herein relate generally to a semiconductor device and a manufacturing method of a semiconductor device.

BACKGROUND

[0003] When a semiconductor device is manufactured, processing of bonding an external terminal such as a power terminal and a signal terminal, and a circuit pattern of an insulating board on which a semiconductor chip is mounted is performed in some cases. The external terminal and the circuit pattern are ultrasonic-bonded while load being applied, for example. The circuit pattern and the external terminal can be thereby electrically-bonded by breaking coats formed on the surface of these by natural oxidation.

Description

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0004] FIG. 1 is a schematic diagram illustrating an example of a configuration of a semiconductor device according to an embodiment;
[0005] FIGS. 2A to 2C are enlarged views of a bond portion included in a power terminal according to an embodiment;
[0006] FIG. 3 is an enlarged perspective view of a bond portion included in a signal terminal according to an embodiment;
[0007] FIGS. 4A to 4C are longitudinal sectional views illustrating an example of a procedure of a manufacturing method of a semiconductor device according to an embodiment;
[0008] FIGS. 5A and 5B are longitudinal sectional views illustrating an example of a procedure of a manufacturing method of a semiconductor device according to an embodiment;

[0009] FIGS. **6A** and **6B** are longitudinal sectional views illustrating an example of a procedure of a manufacturing method of a semiconductor device according to an embodiment;
[0010] FIGS. **7A** and **7B** are longitudinal sectional views illustrating an example of a procedure of a manufacturing method of a semiconductor device according to an embodiment;
[0011] FIGS. **8A** and **8B** are longitudinal sectional views illustrating states of connection of power terminals according to an embodiment and a comparative example to a circuit pattern;
[0012] FIGS. **9A** and **9B** are enlarged views of a bond portion included in a power terminal according to Modified Example 1 of an embodiment; and
[0013] FIGS. **10A** to **10D** are bottom-side plan views of a bond portion included in a power terminal according to Modified Example 2 of an embodiment.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0014] A semiconductor device according to an embodiment includes an insulating board having a circuit pattern, a semiconductor chip fixed on the insulating board and electrically-connected with the circuit pattern, and a power terminal that includes metal of a same type as the circuit pattern, and is electrically-connected with the circuit pattern, in which the power terminal includes a bond portion to be bonded with the circuit pattern, the bond portion having a plate shape, a penetrating portion penetrating through the bond portion in a thickness direction of the bond portion, and an extending portion that extends upward by bending from one end portion of the bond portion, and is configured to be able to connect the circuit pattern and an external device, and the bond portion and the circuit pattern are bonded by a bonding material containing particles of metal of a same type as the power terminal and the circuit pattern.

[0015] Exemplary embodiments of the present invention will be explained below in detail with reference to the accompanying drawings. In addition, the present invention is not limited to the following embodiments. Further, components in the following embodiments include components that can be easily conceived by the one skilled in the art, or substantially the same components.
(Configuration Example of Semiconductor Device)

[0016] FIG. **1** is a longitudinal sectional view illustrating an example of a configuration of a semiconductor device **1** according to an embodiment; As illustrated in FIG. **1**, the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment includes a base plate **10**, a circuit board **20**, a semiconductor chip **30**, a package **40**, a power terminal **51**, and a signal terminal **52**.

[0017] The base plate **10** is a plate-like member formed by AlSiC, for example. The base plate **10** functions as a support member that supports the entire semiconductor device **1**, and also functions as a heatsink that radiates heat generated at the time of the operation of the semiconductor chip **30**.

[0018] The circuit board **20** is provided on the base plate **10**. The circuit board **20** includes an insulating board **21**, and circuit patterns **22a** and **22b** provided on both sides of the insulating board **21**.

[0019] The insulating board **21** is a flat plate made of ceramic such as SiN and AlN, for example. The circuit patterns **22a** and **22b** are made of Cu, for example. The circuit pattern **22a** is provided on the bottom surface side of the insulating board **21** in such a manner as to face the base plate **10**, and connected to the base plate **10** by solder **12**. The circuit pattern **22b** is provided on the top surface side of the insulating board **21**.

[0020] The semiconductor chip **30** is fixed to the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20** on the bottom surface. The semiconductor chip **30** and the circuit pattern **22b** are fixed by a sintered material **32** such as Cu or Ag, for example. The sintered material **32** of Cu, Ag, or the like is obtained by sintering Cu paste, Ag paste, or the like.

[0021] The semiconductor chip **30** is, for example, a Metal-Oxide-Semiconductor Field-Effect Transistor (MOSFET), or the like, and its material is SiC. In a case where the semiconductor chip **30** is a MOSFET, the semiconductor chip **30** includes a gate pad serving as a gate electrode, a P-electrode serving as a drain electrode, and an N-electrode serving as a source electrode. That is, the gate electrode and the N-electrode serving as a source electrode are provided on the top surface of

the semiconductor chip **30**, and the P-electrode serving as a drain electrode is provided on the bottom surface of the semiconductor chip **30** bonded with the circuit pattern **22b**.

[0022] A semiconductor chip made of SiC is high-temperature-tolerant, and can operate highly reliably at high temperature. The above-described sintered material **32** obtained by sintering Cu paste, Ag paste, or the like is a material with less degradation even under a high-temperature operating environment of the semiconductor chip **30** made of SiC.

[0023] Further, the semiconductor chip **30** on the top surface of the semiconductor chip **30** is electrically-connected to the circuit pattern **22b** near the semiconductor chip **30** by a wire **35** such as an Al material. The wire **35** that connects the semiconductor chip **30** and the circuit pattern **22b** includes a gate wire that connects the gate electrode of the semiconductor chip **30** and the circuit pattern **22b**, a wire that connects the N-electrode serving as a source electrode of the semiconductor chip **30**, and the circuit pattern **22b**, and the like.

[0024] The package **40** includes a rectangular case **41** that surrounds the circuit board **20** on the base plate **10**, the semiconductor chip **30**, and the like, and a lid **42** that blocks the rectangular case **41**, for example. The case **41** and the lid **42** may be made of, for example, thermoplastic Poly Phenylene Sulfide (PPS) resin, or the like. The case **41** is fixed to the base plate **10** by a joining material **44** such as silicone resin. The lid **42** is similarly fixed to an upper end portion of the case **41** by the joining material **44** such as silicone resin.

[0025] The power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52** are elongated members made of Cu, one end portion is connected to the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20** by a Cu sintered material **60**, and a different end portion is folded in such a manner as to follow the top surface of the lid **42** of the package **40**. The power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52** preferably include oxygen-free copper (C1020) or the like.

[0026] The power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52** function as an external terminal that connects the semiconductor chip **30** to an external device of the semiconductor device **1** or the like via the circuit board **20**. In addition, the power terminal **51** includes, for example, a P-terminal electrically-connected to the P-electrode of the semiconductor chip **30**, an N-terminal electrically-connected to the N-electrode of the semiconductor chip **30**, and an AC terminal (not illustrated) being an output terminal, and the like.

[0027] The Cu sintered material **60** serving as a bonding material can be obtained by sintering pressureless Cu paste, for example. In other words, as described later, by interposing the pressureless Cu paste between an external terminal such as the power terminal **51** and the circuit pattern **22b**, and heating and sintering the pressureless Cu paste, it is possible to bond the external terminal and the circuit pattern **22b**.

[0028] Here, the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52**, and the circuit pattern **22b** mainly include Cu, for example. By using pressureless Cu paste containing metal of the same type that is highly compatible with metal included in the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52**, and the circuit pattern **22b**, it is possible to firmly bond the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52**, and the circuit pattern **22b**. Further, for example, by using pressureless Cu paste instead of Ag paste containing expensive Ag, or the like, it is possible to save the manufacturing cost of the semiconductor device **1**.

[0029] The pressureless Cu paste is a material processed into a paste by dispersing nanosized Cu particles in an organic solvent, for example. The organic solvent includes, for example, an organic protective agent, a sintering accelerator, and the like. The organic solvent is a carboxylic compound, for example. The organic protective agent protects Cu particles in the pressureless Cu paste, achieves homogenization by dispersing nanosized-Cu particles, and suppresses bonding by the pressureless Cu paste at normal temperature. The sintering accelerator accelerates the sintering of the pressureless Cu paste when the pressureless Cu paste is heated.

[0030] Further, the pressureless Cu paste can be used for bonding with another member by being sintered by being heated at a predetermined temperature, without applying load. In the pressureless

Cu paste, by using an organic protective agent different from pressed Cu paste to be sintered with load being applied, such as an organic protective agent dissolving at relatively-low temperature, for example, pressureless bonding is made executable.

[0031] By being formed from such pressureless Cu paste, in the Cu sintered material **60**, Cu particles contained in the pressureless Cu paste or their traces can be observed. Further, the Cu sintered material **60** may contain a void generated by an organic solvent vaporized in sintering.

[0032] In addition, the circuit board **20**, the semiconductor chip **30**, and the like in the package **40**, including connection portions with the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52**, and the circuit board **20**, are sealed by a potting material **33** such as silicone gel, for example.

[0033] Next, a more detailed configuration example of connection portions with the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52**, and the circuit board **20** will be described using FIGS. **2A** to **3**.

[0034] FIGS. **2A** to **2C** are enlarged views of a bond portion **512** included in the power terminal **51** according to an embodiment. More specifically, FIG. **2A** is a perspective view of the bond portion **512**, FIG. **2B** is a bottom-side plan view of the bond portion **512**, and FIG. **2C** is a longitudinal sectional view of the bond portion **512** viewed from a side surface.

[0035] As illustrated in FIGS. **2A** to **2C**, the power terminal **51** includes an extending portion **511** and the bond portion **512**. The bond portion **512** is a plate-like portion bonded with the circuit pattern **22b**. The extending portion **511** extends upward by bending from one end portion of the bond portion **512**, and is configured to be able to electrically connect the circuit pattern **22b** and an external device of the semiconductor device **1**.

[0036] The bond portion **512** is provided with a penetrating portion **513** penetrating through the bond portion **512** in a thickness direction. In the example illustrated in FIGS. **2A** to **2C**, the penetrating portion **513** has a circular shape. At this time, the shape of the penetrating portion **513** may be a true circle at least from as a designed shape. Nevertheless, this does not mean the finished shape of the penetrating portion **513** is also a true circle, from the perspective of processing accuracy or the like.

[0037] Further, it is preferable that a width of a predetermined distance or more is left from an outer rim portion of the penetrating portion **513** to each end portion of the bond portion **512** in such a manner that sufficient strength of the entire bond portion **512** is maintained. As an example, in a case where the thickness of the bond portion **512** is 1 mm or more and 1.5 mm or less, if a width of 1 mm or more is maintained from the outer rim portion of the penetrating portion **513** to end portion of the bond portion **512**, sufficient strength is considered to be ensured.

[0038] As illustrated in FIG. **2B**, the penetrating portion **513** is provided on the bottom surface of the bond portion **512** (i.e., at the central portion of a bonded surface with the circuit pattern **22b** of the bond portion **512**). In other words, a central point of the penetrating portion **513** viewed from the top surface substantially coincides with the central point of the bonded surface of the bond portion **512**. Here, the case where the central point substantially coincides with the central point can include an error of a positional shift generated when the penetrating portion **513** is formed, or the like, aside from a case where the central point of the penetrating portion **513** and the central point of the bond portion **512** are perfectly-matched.

[0039] Such a penetrating portion **513** can be formed by wire electrical discharge machining or the like, for example. In the wire electrical discharge machining, for example, current is flown to a wire made of brass, and electrical discharge is generated between the wire and the bond portion **512** being a processing target. The bond portion **512** being a processing target is partially melt and cut by the electrical discharge heat.

[0040] Nevertheless, the penetrating portion **513** may be formed by another method that uses electron beam irradiation, laser irradiation, or the like.

[0041] The Cu sintered material **60** is interposed between the bottom surface of the bond portion **512** and the top surface of the circuit pattern **22b** to bonds these.

[0042] Further, the Cu sintered material **60** is filled also into the penetrating portion **513** of the

bond portion **512**. At this time, it is preferable that the Cu sintered material **60** reaches a height position of an upper end portion of the penetrating portion **513**, and an upper end portion of the Cu sintered material **60** may slightly protrude from a top surface of the bond portion **512**. In this manner, by the Cu sintered material **60** being filled into the penetrating portion **513**, an anchor effect by the Cu sintered material **60** is obtained, shear strength increases in a bonded portion between the power terminal **51** and the Cu sintered material **60**, and a highly-reliable bond portion is obtained.

[0043] Further, at this time, an allowable thickness of the Cu sintered material **60** in the penetrating portion **513** is preferably set to a thickness that does not prevent an organic solvent in the pressureless Cu paste from going out when the pressureless Cu paste is sintered. As an example, it is sufficient that a height from a bonded interface of the circuit pattern **22b** and the Cu sintered material **60** to the upper end portion of the Cu sintered material **60** that protrudes from the penetrating portion **513** is set to a height smaller than 1.5 times of the thickness of the bond portion **512** itself. In other words, it is sufficient that a protruding height of the Cu sintered material **60** from the penetrating portion **513** is smaller than a half of the thickness of the bond portion **512**.

[0044] Nevertheless, as a state in which both of shear strength improvement by the Cu sintered material **60** and effluence of an organic solvent during sintering are satisfied, it is more preferable that the top surface of the Cu sintered material **60** in the penetrating portion **513** is at a height position substantially equal to the top surface of the bond portion **512**. The state in which the top surface is at the substantially equal height position can include an error of a fill amount in filling the Cu sintered material **60**, aside from a case where the top surface of the Cu sintered material **60** and the top surface of the bond portion **512** are completely equal in height.

[0045] Further, the Cu sintered material **60** has a skirt shape, and covers the side surface of the bond portion **512**. That is, the Cu sintered material **60** has a taper shape spreading from the top surface of the bond portion **512** toward the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20** on the side surface of the bond portion **512**. Nevertheless, a taper portion of the Cu sintered material **60** may warp in a portion from the top surface of the bond portion **512** to the circuit pattern **22b**. That is, an inclined surface of the taper portion of the Cu sintered material **60** may have a curved surface shape.

[0046] FIG. **3** is an enlarged perspective view of a bond portion **522** included in the signal terminal **52** according to an embodiment.

[0047] As illustrated in FIG. **3**, the signal terminal **52** includes an extending portion **521** and the bond portion **522**. The bond portion **522** is a plate-like portion bonded with the circuit pattern **22b**. The extending portion **521** extends upward by bending from one end portion of the bond portion **522**, and is configured to be able to electrically connect the circuit pattern **22b** and an external device of the semiconductor device **1**.

[0048] Further, the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52** may be formed in a size smaller than that of the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51**, for example. In other words, a bonded surface with the circuit pattern **22b** of the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52** may have an area smaller than that of a bonded surface of the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51**. This is because an amount of current flowing in the signal terminal **52** tends to be smaller than an amount of current flowing in the power terminal **51**.

[0049] In addition, a penetrating portion like the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51** is not formed in the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52**.

[0050] The Cu sintered material **60** is interposed between the bottom surface of the bond portion **522** and the top surface of the circuit pattern **22b** to bonds these.

[0051] Further, the Cu sintered material **60** has a skirt shape, and covers the side surface of the bond portion **522**. That is, the Cu sintered material **60** has a taper shape spreading from the top surface of the bond portion **522** toward the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20** on the side surface of the bond portion **522**. Nevertheless, a taper portion of the Cu sintered material **60** may

warp in a portion from the top surface of the bond portion **522** to the circuit pattern **22b**. That is, also in the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52**, an inclined surface of the taper portion of the Cu sintered material **60** may have a curved surface shape.

[0052] In addition, in FIGS. **2A** to **3**, the extending portion **511** of the power terminal **51** and the bond portion **512**, and the extending portion **521** of the signal terminal **52** and the bond portion **522** each have a portion bending approximately orthogonally. Nevertheless, these bending portions may have an obtuse angle. Further, the extending portion **511** and the bond portion **512**, and the extending portion **521** and the bond portion **522** may be connected by a gentle curved surface.

[0053] In this manner, the shape of the bending portion can vary in various ways depending on a method of a bending work or the like in forming the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52** respectively having the bond portions **512** and **522**, by bending an elongated metal material.
(Manufacturing Method of Semiconductor Device)

[0054] Next, an example of a manufacturing method of the semiconductor device **1** according to an embodiment will be described using FIGS. **4A** to **7B**. FIGS. **4A** to **7B** are longitudinal sectional views illustrating an example of a procedure of a manufacturing method of the semiconductor device **1** according to an embodiment.

[0055] As illustrated in FIG. **4A**, by arranging the semiconductor chip **30** on the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20** via Cu paste, Ag paste, or the like, and sintering the Cu paste or the Ag paste by heating the Cu paste or the Ag paste, the sintered material **32** that fixes the circuit pattern **22b** and the semiconductor chip **30** is formed.

[0056] In addition, when the Cu paste or the Ag paste is sintered, by applying load to the semiconductor chip **30** together with heating the Cu paste or the Ag paste, the semiconductor chip **30** may be fixed onto the circuit board **20** more firmly.

[0057] Further, the wire **35** that connects a gate electrode and a source electrode (not illustrated) of the semiconductor chip **30** on the top surface of the semiconductor chip **30**, and the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board is formed. The gate electrode and the source electrode of the semiconductor chip **30**, and the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board and the wire **35** can be connected by ultrasonic bonding that uses ultrasonic waves, for example.

[0058] As illustrated in FIG. **4B**, the circuit board **20** on which the semiconductor chip **30** is mounted is fixed onto the base plate **10**. More specifically, the circuit pattern **22a** on the rear surface of the circuit board **20**, and the base plate **10** are bonded using the solder **12**, for example.

[0059] As illustrated in FIG. **4C**, the case **41** having a rectangular shape or the like that constitutes a part of the package **40** is fixed by the joining material **44** onto the base plate **10** in such a manner as to surround the circuit board **20** and the semiconductor chip **30**.

[0060] As illustrated in FIG. **5A**, pressureless Cu paste **60p** is applied using a dispenser or the like to a portion on the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20** to which the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52** are to be connected.

[0061] As illustrated in FIG. **5B**, the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52** are arranged on the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20** via the pressureless Cu paste **60p**.

[0062] As illustrated in FIG. **6A**, the pressureless Cu paste **60p** interposed between the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52**, and the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20** is sequentially heated and sintered. At this time, it is preferable to use a local heating device **100** that can locally heat the pressureless Cu paste **60p**.

[0063] The local heating device **100** includes a local heating unit **11** and an inactive gas supply unit **12**.

[0064] The local heating unit **11** includes a power supply line **111**, and a heater **112** to which the power supply line **111** is connected. By supplying power from the power supply line **111** to the heater **112**, it is possible to cause the heater **112** to produce heat. The heater **112** may be a halogen heater or the like, for example.

[0065] The inactive gas supply unit **12** includes an inactive gas supply line **121**, and an inactive gas

supply pipe **122** to which the inactive gas supply line **121** is connected. An inactive gas supply source (not illustrated) is connected to a different end portion of the inactive gas supply line **121**. The inactive gas supply unit **12** can spray inactive gas such as nitrogen or noble gas, for example, to a portion heated by the local heating unit **11**, via the inactive gas supply line **121** and the inactive gas supply pipe **122**.

[0066] When the pressureless Cu paste **60p** is sintered, in a case where the entire semiconductor device **1** being manufactured is heated, or the like, for example, a defect attributed to melting of the solder **12** that connects the base plate **10** and the circuit board **20**, or the like can be generated. Nevertheless, by locally heating the pressureless Cu paste **60p** interposed between the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52**, and the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20**, using the local heating device **100**, for example, it is possible to prevent another member from being heated as well.

[0067] Further, by heating a bonded portion including the pressureless Cu paste **60p**, using the local heating device **100**, while spraying inactive gas, it is possible to prevent the surfaces of the bond portions **512** and **522** of the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52**, and a bonded portion of the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20** or the like from being oxidized, for example.

[0068] In addition, as a method of locally heating the pressureless Cu paste **60p**, laser irradiation or the like is also conceivable. Nevertheless, because sputtering occurs in laser irradiation, chippings of members irradiated with laser, such as the bond portions **512** and **522** or the circuit pattern **22b** might scatter, which is not preferable.

[0069] FIG. **6B** is an enlarged longitudinal sectional view in a bonded portion of the power terminal **51** that illustrates a state of heating by the local heating device **100**. As illustrated in FIG. **6B**, when performing heating by the local heating device **100**, heating is executed by bringing an extremely small-sized heating head **112a** provided at the leading end of the heater **112**, closer to the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51**, the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20**, the pressureless Cu paste **60p**, and the like in a noncontact manner, while spraying inactive gas from the inactive gas supply pipe **122**.

[0070] The pressureless Cu paste **60p** is thereby heated, and an organic solvent in the pressureless Cu paste **60p** is vaporized, and goes out from the inside of the pressureless Cu paste **60p**. Further, as the organic solvent is vaporized, the density of Cu particles in the pressureless Cu paste **60p** increases, and the Cu particles bond with each other. Further, the shape of the pressureless Cu paste **60p** in a paste state accordingly changes.

[0071] Specifically, the pressureless Cu paste **60p** interposed between the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51** and the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20** wetly spreads to the surrounding, and covers the side surface of the bond portion **512**, and the Cu sintered material **60** having a skirt shape extending toward the circuit pattern **22b** is formed. In addition, in the case of pressed Cu paste to be sintered while load being applied, such a skirt shape cannot be obtained.

[0072] Further, the pressureless Cu paste **60p** upthrusts from the bottom surface side of the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51** into the penetrating portion **513**, and the Cu sintered material **60** filled into the penetrating portion **513** is obtained. At this time, in order to prevent the top surface of the Cu sintered material **60** filled into the penetrating portion **513**, from protruding by a half of the thickness of the bond portion **512** or more, an original application amount of the pressureless Cu paste **60p** is preferably adjusted in such a manner that the top surface of the Cu sintered material **60** is more preferably at a height position approximately equal to the top surface of the bond portion **512**.

[0073] In addition, also in the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52**, when performing heating by the local heating device **100**, heating is executed by bringing the heating head **112a** at the leading end of the heater **112** closer to the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52**, the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20**, the pressureless Cu paste **60p**, and the like in a noncontact manner, while spraying inactive gas from the inactive gas supply pipe **122**, which is not illustrated

in the drawing.

[0074] An organic solvent is thereby vaporized, and goes out from the inside of the pressureless Cu paste **60p**, and Cu particles in the pressureless Cu paste **60p** bond with each other. Further, the shape of the pressureless Cu paste **60p** in a paste state accordingly changes.

[0075] In the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52** not having a penetrating portion, the pressureless Cu paste **60p** interposed between the bond portion **512** of the bond portion **522** and the circuit pattern **22b** wetly spreads to the surrounding, and covers the side surface of the bond portion **522**, and the Cu sintered material **60** having a skirt shape extending toward the circuit pattern **22b** is formed.

[0076] In this manner, by using the Cu sintered material **60** obtained by sintering the pressureless Cu paste **60p**, for example, it is possible to connect the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52**, and the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20** without applying load.

[0077] As illustrated in FIG. 7A, the potting material **33** is injected into a space surrounded by the base plate **10** and the case **41**, and the semiconductor device **1** being manufactured is thermally cured within an oven. The potting material **33** is thereby cured, and the insulation property inside the case **41** is maintained.

[0078] As illustrated in FIG. 7B, the joining material **44** is interposed, and the lid **42** is overlaid at the upper end portion of the case **41** and fixed thereonto. After that, upper ends of the extending portions **511** and **521** of the power terminal **51** and the signal terminal **52** that protrude from the top surface of the lid **42** are bent.

[0079] As described above, the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment is manufactured.

Comparative Example

[0080] Next, an example of a case of connecting a power terminal **51x** of a comparative example or the power terminal **51** of the embodiment to the circuit pattern **22b** will be described using FIGS. **8A** and **8B**.

[0081] FIGS. **8A** and **8B** are longitudinal sectional views illustrating states of connection of the power terminals **51** and **51x** according to an embodiment and a comparative example to the circuit pattern **22b**. More specifically, FIG. **8A** illustrates a state of connecting the power terminal **51x** of the comparative example to the circuit pattern **22b**, and FIG. **8B** illustrates a state of connecting the power terminal **51** of the embodiment to the circuit pattern **22b**.

[0082] As illustrated in FIG. **8A**, the power terminal **51x** of the comparative example includes a bond portion **512x** bonded to the circuit pattern **22b**. Nevertheless, a penetrating portion is not provided in the bond portion **512x**. Local heating is executed by interposing pressureless Cu paste **60x** between such a bond portion **512x** and the circuit pattern **22b**. An organic solvent in the pressureless Cu paste **60x** is thereby vaporized, and goes out from the inside of the pressureless Cu paste **60x**.

[0083] At this time, the organic solvent mainly goes out from the side surface of the pressureless Cu paste **60x** that is exposed from a clearance gap between the bond portion **512x** and the circuit pattern **22b**. Thus, in a central portion of the pressureless Cu paste **60x**, the density of Cu particles increases, and sintering progresses relatively promptly.

[0084] In contrast to this, in the vicinity of an end portion of the side surface of the pressureless Cu paste **60x**, sintering is difficult to progress due to the organic solvent going out from the central portion of the pressureless Cu paste **60x**, and air bubbles **61x** are easily generated by vaporized organic solvent.

[0085] Such air bubbles **61x** are generated also at the central portion of the pressureless Cu paste **60x**, but the air bubbles **61x** are more easily generated in the vicinity of the end portion than the central portion of the pressureless Cu paste **60x**. Such air bubbles **61x** remain as voids in a Cu sintered material formed by heating.

[0086] Accordingly, in the Cu sintered material of the comparative example, a sparse and dense difference that makes a central portion dense and an end portion sparse is generated in such a

manner that the density of Cu particles at the central portion is higher than that in the vicinity of the end portion, and a void ratio in the vicinity of the end portion is higher than that at the central portion. Such a sparse and dense difference deteriorates an electric property and bonding strength at the bonded portion between the power terminal **51x** and the circuit pattern **22b**.

[0087] As illustrated in FIG. **8B**, in the power terminal **51** of the embodiment, as described above, the penetrating portion **513** is provided in the bond portion **512**. In this case, by local heating of the bonded portion, a vaporized organic solvent goes out not only from the side surface of the pressureless Cu paste **60p** that is exposed from the clearance gap between the bond portion **512** and the circuit pattern **22b**, but also from the upper end portion of the pressureless Cu paste **60p** filled into the penetrating portion **513**.

[0088] As described above, the penetrating portion **513** is provided at the central portion of the bonded surface with the circuit pattern **22b** of the bond portion **512**, and arranged immediately above the central portion of the pressureless Cu paste **60p**. Accordingly, it is possible to reduce an amount of an organic solvent going out from the end portion vicinity of the side surface of the pressureless Cu paste **60p**. Further, it is possible to suppress a variation in amount of a vaporized organic solvent going out, between the central portion of the pressureless Cu paste **60p** and the end portion vicinity of the side surface of the pressureless Cu paste **60p**, and uniformize the progress of sintering and generation easiness of the air bubbles **61** by the vaporized organic solvent.

[0089] With this configuration, also in the Cu sintered material **60** formed by heating, variations in the density of Cu particles and a void ratio between the central portion and the end portion vicinity are suppressed, and the Cu sintered material **60** with a small sparse and dense difference is obtained. Further, it is accordingly possible to decrease an overall void ratio of the Cu sintered material **60**. For this reason, it is possible to improve an electric property at the bonded portion between the power terminal **51** and the circuit pattern **22b**. Here, the void ratio is, for example, a percentage of an area occupied by voids with respect to an area occupied by the Cu sintered material **60**, in a cross section cut in a direction vertical to a thickness direction of the bond portion **512**.

[0090] In addition, as described above, the bond portion **522** included in the signal terminal **52** of the embodiment has a configuration in which an area of a bonded surface with the circuit pattern **22b** is smaller than the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51**, for example. Thus, without providing a penetrating portion in the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52**, variations in the density of Cu particles and a void ratio between the central portion and the end portion vicinity are suppressed during sintering by heating, and the Cu sintered material **60** with a small sparse and dense difference is obtained.

Overview

[0091] A semiconductor device includes, for example, a semiconductor chip mounted on a circuit board having a circuit pattern. Further, an external terminal such as a power terminal and a signal terminal is sometimes connected to the circuit pattern of the circuit board. The circuit pattern and the external terminal are connected by executing ultrasonic bonding while applying load, for example. For example, a plurality of protrusions is provided at the leading end portion of a bonding tool used in ultrasonic bonding, and by these protrusions biting into the external terminal and adding vibration by ultrasonic waves, the external terminal and the circuit pattern are firmly bonded.

[0092] Nevertheless, by the above-described method, by the application of load and vibration by ultrasonic waves, the circuit board might be damaged. Further, when protrusions at the leading end portion of the bonding tool bite into the external terminal, chippings of the external terminal are generated and scatter, and these sometimes short circuit nearby wirings such as the circuit pattern.

[0093] In order to solve the above-described problem, inventors of the present invention have considered a method of connecting an external terminal and a circuit pattern in a pressureless manner, and conceived using pressureless Cu paste. By heating and sintering the pressureless Cu

paste, even in a pressureless state, firm bonding is obtained, and it is possible to connect the external terminal and the circuit pattern with high reliability.

[0094] Nevertheless, in a case where the pressureless Cu paste is used, heat generated during sintering also heats another member, and for example, solder or the like that fixes a circuit board and a base plate might melt. Further, it has been revealed that, when the pressureless Cu paste is sintered, while sintering progresses relatively promptly at the central portion of the pressureless Cu paste, sintering does not progress at the end portion vicinity, and a void ratio also increases to cause a sparse state. The inventors of the present invention have further earnestly conducted researches, and have eventually solved the above problems.

[0095] According to the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment, the power terminal **51** that contains metal of the same type as the circuit pattern **22b** of the circuit board **20**, and is electrically-connected with the circuit pattern **22b** is included, and the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51** and the circuit pattern **22b** are bonded by the Cu sintered material **60** containing particles of metal of the same type as the power terminal **51** and the circuit pattern **22b**.

[0096] In this manner, by using the Cu sintered material **60** in the connection between the circuit pattern **22b** and the power terminal **51**, it is possible to bond the power terminal **51** to the circuit pattern **22b** while suppressing damages to the circuit pattern **22b**, the power terminal **51**, and the like. Further, chippings are prevented from scattering from the power terminal **51** and short circuiting nearby wirings or the like. For this reason, the semiconductor device **1** with high reliability can be obtained. Further, by using the Cu sintered material **60** containing metal of the same type as the circuit pattern **22b** and the power terminal **51**, it is possible to firmly bond the circuit pattern **22b** and the power terminal **51**.

[0097] According to the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment, the power terminal **51** includes the bond portion **512** bonded with the circuit pattern **22b**, and the penetrating portion **513** penetrating through the bond portion **512** in the thickness direction of the bond portion **512**.

[0098] In this manner, by the bond portion **512** including the penetrating portion **513**, it is possible to reduce a sparse and dense difference between the central portion and the end portion vicinity of the Cu sintered material **60**, and decrease a void ratio of the entire Cu sintered material **60**. With this configuration, by improving an electric property and bonding strength at the bonded portion between the bond portion **512** and the circuit pattern **22b**, it is possible to connect the power terminal **51** and the circuit pattern **22b** highly reliably.

[0099] According to the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment, the Cu sintered material **60** is interposed between the bond portion **512** and the circuit pattern **22b**, and also filled into the penetrating portion **513**. With this configuration, it is possible to enhance bonding strength between the bond portion **512** and the circuit pattern **22b** to stress of shearing the bond portion **512** and the circuit pattern **22b** (i.e., shear stress).

[0100] According to the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment, the Cu sintered material **60** has a skirt shape to cover the side surface of the bond portion **512**. As described above, by using pressureless Cu paste instead of pressed Cu paste, it is possible to form the Cu sintered material **60** with such a shape during sintering. By the Cu sintered material **60** having a skirt shape, it is possible to further enhance bonding strength between the bond portion **512** and the circuit pattern **22b**.

[0101] According to the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment, the penetrating portion **513** has a circular shape when viewed from the top surface of the bond portion **512**, and the central point of the penetrating portion **513** viewed from the top surface of the bond portion **512** substantially coincides with the central point of the bonded surface with the circuit pattern **22b** of the bond portion **512**. By providing the penetrating portion **513** at such a position, it is possible to further reduce a sparse and dense difference between the central portion and the end portion vicinity of the Cu sintered material **60**.

[0102] According to the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment, the signal terminal **52** that

contains metal of the same type as the circuit pattern **22b**, and is electrically-connected with the circuit pattern **22b** is further included, and the Cu sintered material **60** is interposed also between the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52** and the circuit pattern **22b**. In this manner, by applying the Cu sintered material **60** also to the bonded portion between the signal terminal **52** and the circuit pattern **22b**, it is possible to bond the signal terminal **52** to the circuit pattern **22b** while suppressing damages.

[0103] According to the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment, the bond portion **522** included in the signal terminal **52** is smaller than the bond portion **512** included in the power terminal **51**, and the penetrating portion **513** is selectively formed in the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51** out of the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51** and the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52**. In this manner, the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52** is often formed in a size smaller than that of the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51**, and in this case, without providing a penetrating portion in the bond portion **522** of the signal terminal **52**, it is possible to suppress a variation in a sparse and dense difference between the central portion and the end portion vicinity of the Cu sintered material **60**.

[0104] According to the manufacturing method of the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment, when the power terminal **51** and the circuit pattern **22b** are connected, without applying load to the power terminal **51** and the circuit pattern **22b**, sintering is executed by locally heating the pressureless Cu paste **60p**. With this configuration, for example, it is possible to bond the power terminal **51** to the circuit pattern **22b** while suppressing damages caused by application of load and ultrasonic bonding. Further, because the pressureless Cu paste **60p** is locally heated, it is possible to prevent another member from being heated and damaged as well.

[0105] According to the manufacturing method of the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment, when the pressureless Cu paste **60p** is sintered, the pressureless Cu paste **60p** is locally heated by bringing the heating head **112a** of the heater **112** closer to the bond portion **512** without contact with the bond portion **512** of the power terminal **51**, while spraying inactive gas to the pressureless Cu paste **60p**.

[0106] In this manner, by sintering the pressureless Cu paste **60p** by local heating, it is possible to prevent another member from being heated as well. Further, by spraying inactive gas during heating of the pressureless Cu paste **60p**, it is possible to prevent oxidation of the bond portion **512** and the circuit pattern **22b**.

[0107] According to the manufacturing method of the semiconductor device **1** of the embodiment, when the pressureless Cu paste **60p** is interposed between the bond portion **512** and the circuit pattern **22b**, a used amount of the pressureless Cu paste **60p** is adjusted in such a manner that the thickness in the penetrating portion **513** from a bonding interface with the circuit pattern **22b** of the Cu sintered material **60** generated by the pressureless Cu paste **60p** being sintered, to an upper end portion becomes equal to or larger than the thickness of the bond portion **512**, and smaller than 1.5 times of the thickness of the bond portion **512**.

[0108] In this manner, by causing a state in which the Cu sintered material **60** is sufficiently filled into the penetrating portion **513**, bonding strength between the bond portion **512** and the circuit pattern **22b** to shear stress increases. On the other hand, because there is no need to sinter excessive pressureless Cu paste **60p** significantly exceeding the top surface of the bond portion **512**, it becomes easier to sinter the pressureless Cu paste **60p**, and also shorten a sintering time.

Modified Example 1

[0109] Next, a semiconductor device of a Modified Example 1 of the embodiment will be described using FIGS. **9A** and **9B**. The semiconductor device of Modified Example 1 differs from the above-described embodiment in the shape of a penetrating portion **513s** included by a power terminal **51s** in a bond portion **512**.

[0110] FIGS. **9A** and **9B** are enlarged views of a bond portion **512** included in a power terminal **51s** according to Modified Example 1 of an embodiment. More specifically, FIG. **9A** is a perspective

view of the bond portion **512**, and FIG. **9B** is a bottom-side plan view of the bond portion **512**.

[0111] In addition, in FIGS. **9A** and **9B**, the components similar to the components in the above-described embodiment are assigned similar reference numerals, and the description thereof will be omitted in some cases.

[0112] As illustrated in FIGS. **9A** and **9B**, in the bond portion **512** included in the power terminal **51s** of Modified Example 1, the penetrating portion **513s** having a quadrangular shape when viewed from the top surface is provided. At this time, the shape of the penetrating portion **513s** may be a square at least from as a designed shape. Nevertheless, this does not mean the finished shape of the penetrating portion **513s** is also a square, from the perspective of processing accuracy or the like.

[0113] As illustrated in FIG. **9B**, the penetrating portion **513** of Modified Example 1 is also provided on the bottom surface of the bond portion **512** (i.e., at the central portion of a bonded surface with the circuit pattern **22b** of the bond portion **512**). In other words, a central point of the penetrating portion **513s** viewed from the top surface substantially coincides with the central point of the bonded surface of the bond portion **512**.

[0114] Such a penetrating portion **513** of Modified Example 1 can also be formed by wire electrical discharge machining or the like, for example.

[0115] According to the semiconductor device **1** of Modified Example 1, the penetrating portion **513s** has a quadrangular shape when viewed from the top surface of the bond portion **512**, and the central point of the penetrating portion **513s** viewed from the top surface of the bond portion **512** substantially coincides with the central point of the bonded surface with the circuit pattern **22b** of the bond portion **512**. With this configuration, an effect similar to that of the semiconductor device of the above-described embodiment is caused.

[0116] Further, in a case where a width of the penetrating portion **513s** is made equal to a diameter of the circular penetrating portion **513** of the above-described embodiment, an opening area in the bond portion **512** of the quadrangular penetrating portion **513s** becomes larger. With this configuration, it is possible to further increase an amount by which an organic solvent goes out from the central portion upper end of the pressureless Cu paste **60p**. For this reason, it is possible to further reduce a sparse and dense difference between the central portion and the end portion vicinity of the Cu sintered material **60**, and decrease a void ratio of the entire Cu sintered material **60**.

Modified Example 2

[0117] Next, a semiconductor device of a Modified Example 2 of the embodiment will be described using FIGS. **10A** to **10D**. In the semiconductor device of Modified Example 2, penetrating portions **513e**, **513u**, **513r**, and **513c** included by a power terminal in the bond portion **512** have a shape further different from that of the above-described embodiment.

[0118] FIGS. **10A** to **10D** are bottom-side plan views of a bond portion **512** included in a power terminal according to Modified Example 2 of an embodiment. In addition, in FIGS. **10A** to **10D**, the components similar to the components in the above-described embodiment are assigned similar reference numerals, and the description thereof will be omitted in some cases.

[0119] In the example in FIG. **10A**, a penetrating portion **513e** of Modified Example 2 has an ellipsoidal shape with a long axis extending in a long direction of the bond portion **512**. The penetrating portion **513e** of Modified Example 2 that has an ellipsoidal shape is also provided on the bottom surface of the bond portion **512** (i.e., at the central portion of a bonded surface with the circuit pattern **22b** of the bond portion **512**). In other words, a central point of the penetrating portion **513e** viewed from the top surface substantially coincides with the central point of the bonded surface of the bond portion **512**.

[0120] In the example in FIG. **10B**, the penetrating portion **513u** of Modified Example 2 is opened toward a different end portion side that is opposite side of one end portion of the bond portion **512** that has a bend portion with the extending portion **511**. Further, on one end portion side of the bond

portion **512**, an end portion of the penetrating portion **513u** has a curved surface. In other words, the penetrating portion **513u** viewed from the top surface has a U shape.

[0121] In the example in FIG. **10C**, a penetrating portion **513r** of Modified Example 2 has an oblong shape with a long axis extending in a long direction of the bond portion **512**. The penetrating portion **513r** of Modified Example 2 that has an oblong shape is also provided on the bottom surface of the bond portion **512** (i.e., at the central portion of a bonded surface with the circuit pattern **22b** of the bond portion **512**). In other words, a central point of the penetrating portion **513r** viewed from the top surface substantially coincides with the central point of the bonded surface of the bond portion **512**.

[0122] In the example in FIG. **10D**, the penetrating portion **513c** of Modified Example 2 is opened toward a different end portion side that is opposite side of one end portion of the bond portion **512** that has a bend portion with the extending portion **511**. Further, on one end portion side of the bond portion **512**, an end portion of the penetrating portion **513c** has a rectangular shape. In other words, the penetrating portion **513c** viewed from the top surface has an oblong shape with a short side on one side being opened.

[0123] According to the semiconductor device of Modified Example 2, the shapes of the penetrating portions **513e**, **513u**, **513r**, and **513c** viewed from the top surface of the bond portion **512** have a longer direction and a shorter direction. With this configuration, an effect similar to that of the semiconductor device of the above-described embodiment is caused.

[0124] Further, in a case where widths in the shorter direction of the penetrating portion **513e** and **513r** are made equal to widths of the circular penetrating portion **513** of the above-described embodiment and the quadrangular penetrating portion **513s** of Modified Example 1 described above, the penetrating portions **513e** and **513r** of Modified Example 2 have a larger opening area in the bond portion **512**. With this configuration, it is possible to further increase an amount by which an organic solvent goes out from the central portion upper end of the pressureless Cu paste **60p**, further reduce a sparse and dense difference between the central portion and the end portion vicinity of the Cu sintered material **60**, and decrease a void ratio of the entire Cu sintered material **60**.

[0125] According to the semiconductor device of Modified Example 2, the penetrating portions **513u** and **513c** are opened toward the different end portion side of the bond portion **512**. With this configuration, it is possible to further enlarge an opening area in the bond portion **512**. For this reason, it is possible to further increase an amount by which an organic solvent goes out from the central portion upper end of the pressureless Cu paste **60p**, further reduce a sparse and dense difference between the central portion and the end portion vicinity of the Cu sintered material **60**, and decrease a void ratio of the entire Cu sintered material **60**.

[0126] In addition, in the above-described embodiment and Modified Examples 1 and 2, the semiconductor chip **30** includes the semiconductor chip **30** made of SiC. Nevertheless, even if the semiconductor chip **30** is made of another material such as Si, GaAs, or GaN, for example, the configurations of the above-described embodiment and Modified Examples 1 and 2 are applicable. Further, the semiconductor chip **30** is not limited to the above-described MOSFET, and may be a semiconductor chip of a type different from the MOSFET, such as an insulated gate bipolar transistor (IGBT), for example.

[0127] Further, in the above-described embodiment and Modified Examples 1 and 2, each of the penetrating portions **513**, **513s**, **513e**, **513u**, **513r**, and **513c** is provided only by one. Nevertheless, a plurality of penetrating portions may be provided in the bond portion **512**.

[0128] While certain embodiments have been described, these embodiments have been presented by way of example only, and are not intended to limit the scope of the inventions. Indeed, the novel embodiments described herein may be embodied in a variety of other forms; furthermore, various omissions, substitutions and changes in the form of the embodiments described herein may be made without departing from the spirit of the inventions. The accompanying claims and their

equivalents are intended to cover such forms or modifications as would fall within the scope and spirit of the inventions.

Claims

1. A semiconductor device comprising: an insulating board having a circuit pattern; a semiconductor chip fixed on the insulating board and electrically-connected with the circuit pattern; and a power terminal that includes metal of a same type as the circuit pattern, and is electrically-connected with the circuit pattern, wherein the power terminal includes a bond portion bonded with the circuit pattern, the bond portion having a plate shape, a penetrating portion penetrating through the bond portion in a thickness direction of the bond portion, and an extending portion that extends upward by bending from one end portion of the bond portion, and is configured to be able to connect the circuit pattern and an external device, and the bond portion and the circuit pattern are bonded by a bonding material containing particles of metal of a same type as the power terminal and the circuit pattern.
2. The semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein the bonding material is interposed between the bond portion and the circuit pattern, and filled into the penetrating portion.
3. The semiconductor device according to claim 2, wherein a thickness of the bonding material in the penetrating portion from a bonding interface with the circuit pattern to an upper end portion of the bonding material is equal to or larger than a thickness of the bond portion, and smaller than 1.5 times of the thickness of the bond portion.
4. The semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein the bonding material has a skirt shape and covers a side surface of the bond portion.
5. The semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein the bonding material contains a void.
6. The semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein the bonding material derives from pressureless metal paste in which the particles are contained in an organic solvent that can be sintered in a pressureless manner.
7. The semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein the penetrating portion has a circular or quadrangular shape when viewed from a top surface of the bond portion.
8. The semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein a shape of the penetrating portion viewed from a top surface of the bond portion has a longer direction and a shorter direction.
9. The semiconductor device according to claim 8, wherein the penetrating portion is opened toward another end portion relative to the one end portion of the bond portion.
10. The semiconductor device according to claim 7, wherein a central point of the penetrating portion viewed from the top surface of the bond portion substantially coincides with a central point of a bonded surface with the circuit pattern of the bond portion.
11. The semiconductor device according to claim 1, further comprising a signal terminal that contains metal of a same type as the circuit pattern, and is electrically-connected with the circuit pattern, wherein the bonding material is interposed between a bond portion of the signal terminal and the circuit pattern.
12. The semiconductor device according to claim 11, wherein the bond portion included in the signal terminal is smaller than the bond portion included in the power terminal, and the penetrating portion is selectively formed in the bond portion of the power terminal out of the bond portion of the power terminal and the bond portion of the signal terminal.
13. A manufacturing method of a semiconductor device, the manufacturing method comprising: fixing a semiconductor chip onto an insulating board having a circuit pattern, and electrically connecting with the circuit pattern; and electrically connecting a power terminal containing metal of a same type as the circuit pattern, with the circuit pattern, wherein the power terminal includes a bond portion bonded with the circuit pattern, the bond portion having a plate shape, a penetrating portion penetrating through the bond portion in a thickness direction of the bond portion, and an

extending portion extending upward by bending from one end portion of the bond portion, the connecting the power terminal and the circuit pattern includes, interposing pressureless metal paste between the bond portion of the power terminal and the circuit pattern, the pressureless metal paste containing particles of metal of a same type as the power terminal and the circuit pattern, the pressureless metal paste being capable of sintered in a pressureless manner, and sintering the pressureless metal paste by being locally heated without applying load to the power terminal and the circuit pattern.

14. The manufacturing method of a semiconductor device according to claim 13, wherein the sintering the pressureless metal paste includes, locally heating the pressureless metal paste by bringing a heating head of a heater, without contacting, closer to the bond portion of the power terminal, while sparing inactive gas to the pressureless metal paste.

15. The manufacturing method of a semiconductor device according to claim 13, wherein the sintering the pressureless metal paste includes, filling the pressureless metal paste into the penetrating portion.

16. The manufacturing method of a semiconductor device according to claim 15, wherein, the interposing the pressureless metal paste between the bond portion and the circuit pattern includes, adjusting a used amount of the pressureless metal paste in such a manner that a thickness in the penetrating portion from a bonding interface with the circuit pattern of a bonding material generated by the pressureless metal paste being sintered, to an upper end portion is equal to or larger than a thickness of the bond portion, and smaller than 1.5 times of a thickness of the bond portion.

17. The manufacturing method of a semiconductor device according to claim 13, wherein the penetrating portion has a circular or quadrangular shape when viewed from a top surface of the bond portion.

18. The manufacturing method of a semiconductor device according to claim 13, wherein a shape of the penetrating portion viewed from a top surface of the bond portion has a longer direction and a shorter direction.

19. The manufacturing method of a semiconductor device according to claim 18, wherein the penetrating portion is opened toward another end portion relative to the one end portion of the bond portion.

20. The manufacturing method of a semiconductor device according to claim 17, wherein a central point of the penetrating portion viewed from the top surface of the bond portion substantially coincides with a central point of a bonded surface with the circuit pattern of the bond portion.
