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SEMICONDUCTOR PACKAGE

Abstract

A semiconductor package includes a package substrate having first and second substrate pads thereon, a first semiconductor chip on the package substrate and including a first chip pad, a second semiconductor chip on the first semiconductor chip and including a second chip pad on a lower surface of the second semiconductor chip, a first bonding wire contacting the first substrate pad and the first chip pad, and a second bonding wire contacting the second substrate pad and the second chip pad. An uppermost portion of the second bonding wire is lower than or coplanar with the lower surface of the second semiconductor chip.

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Background/Summary

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

[0001] This application claims benefit of and priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to Korean Patent Application No. 10-2024-0024021, filed on Feb. 20, 2024 in the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO), the contents of which are herein incorporated by reference in their entirety.

BACKGROUND

[0002] Example embodiments relate to semiconductor packages. More particularly, example embodiments relate to semiconductor packages including a plurality of semiconductor chips stacked on a substrate.

[0003] In a multi-chip package including a plurality of semiconductor chips stacked on a package substrate, chip pads on each of the semiconductor chips and substrate pads on the package substrate may be electrically connected to each other by bonding wires. In order to protect the bonding wires, a molding member on the package substrate may be thick.

SUMMARY

[0004] Example embodiments provide a semiconductor package having enhanced electrical characteristics.

[0005] According to some example embodiments, there is provided a semiconductor package. The semiconductor package may include a package substrate having first and second substrate pads, a first semiconductor chip on the package substrate and including a first chip pad thereon, a second semiconductor chip on the first semiconductor chip and including a second chip pad on a lower surface of the second semiconductor chip, a first bonding wire contacting the first substrate pad and the first chip pad, and a second bonding wire contacting the second substrate pad and the second chip pad. An uppermost portion of the second bonding wire may be lower than or coplanar with the lower surface of the second semiconductor chip.

[0006] According to some example embodiments, there is provided a semiconductor package. The semiconductor package may include a package substrate having first and second substrate pads thereon, a lower semiconductor chip stack structure including first semiconductor chips, each of which may include a first chip pad, stacked on the package substrate in a vertical direction perpendicular to an upper surface of the package substrate, a second semiconductor chip on the lower semiconductor chip stack structure and including a second chip pad on a bottom surface of the second semiconductor chip, a first bonding wire contacting the first chip pad of a lowermost one of the first semiconductor chips and the first substrate pad, and a second bonding wire contacting the second substrate pad and the second chip pad. An upper surface of each of the first and second substrate pads may be lower than an upper surface of the lowermost one of the first

semiconductor chips.

[0007] According to some example embodiments, there is provided a semiconductor package. The semiconductor package may include a package substrate having first and second substrate pads, a lower semiconductor chip stack structure including first semiconductor chips, each of which may include a first chip pad, stacked on the package substrate in a vertical direction substantially perpendicular to an upper surface of the package substrate, a second semiconductor chip on the lower semiconductor chip stack structure and including a second chip pad on a lower surface of the second semiconductor chip, a first adhesion layer contacting a portion of an upper surface of an uppermost one of the first semiconductor chips included in the lower semiconductor chip stack structure and a portion of the lower surface of the second semiconductor chip, a first bonding wire contacting the first chip pad of a lowermost one of the first semiconductor chips and the first substrate pad, a second bonding wire contacting the first chip pads of neighboring ones of the first semiconductor chips in the vertical direction, a third bonding wire contacting the second substrate pad and the second chip pad, and a molding member on the package substrate, covering the lower semiconductor chip stack structure, the first adhesion layer and the first to third bonding wires, and surrounding a sidewall of the second semiconductor chip. An upper portion of the third bonding wire may be lower than, coplanar, or coplanar with the lower surface of the second semiconductor chip.

[0008] In the semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments, the active layer of the uppermost one of the semiconductor chips stacked on the package substrate may face downwardly, and the bonding wire may be disposed between and electrically connect the conductive pad in the active layer and the conductive pad on the package substrate, and thus no bonding wire may be formed on the upper surface of the uppermost one of the semiconductor chips. Accordingly, the molding member on the package substrate and covering the semiconductor chips may not cover the upper surface of the uppermost one of the semiconductor chips in order to cover the bonding wire on the upper surface of the uppermost one of the semiconductor chips, so as to have a reduced thickness in the vertical direction.

Description

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0009] FIG. 1 is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0010] FIG. 2 is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0011] FIGS. 3 to 6 are cross-sectional views illustrating a method of manufacturing a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0012] FIG. 7 is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0013] FIGS. 8 and 9 are cross-sectional views illustrating a method of manufacturing a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0014] FIG. 10 is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0015] FIG. 11 is a cross-sectional view illustrating a method of manufacturing a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0016] FIG. 12 is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0017] FIG. 13 is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF EXAMPLE EMBODIMENTS

[0018] Hereinafter, example embodiments will be explained in detail with reference to the accompanying drawings. It will be understood that, although the terms “first,” “second,” and/or “third” may be used herein to describe various materials, layers, regions, pads, electrodes, patterns, structure and/or processes, these various materials, layers, regions, pads, electrodes, patterns, structure and/or processes should not be limited by these terms. These terms are only used to distinguish one material, layer, region, pad, electrode, pattern, structure or process from another material, layer, region, pad, electrode, pattern, structure or process. Thus, “first”, “second” and/or “third” may be used selectively or interchangeably for each material, layer, region, electrode, pad, pattern, structure or process respectively.

[0019] Hereinafter, a direction substantially parallel to an upper surface of the substrate may be referred to as a horizontal direction, and a direction substantially perpendicular to the upper surface of the substrate may be referred to as a vertical direction.

[0020] It will be understood that elements and/or properties thereof (e.g., structures, surfaces, directions, or the like), which may be referred to as being “perpendicular,” “parallel,” “coplanar,” or the like with regard to other elements and/or properties thereof (e.g., structures, surfaces, directions, or the like) may be “perpendicular,” “parallel,” “coplanar,” or the like or may be “substantially perpendicular,” “substantially parallel,” “substantially coplanar,” respectively, with regard to the other elements and/or properties thereof.

[0021] Elements and/or properties thereof (e.g., structures, surfaces, directions, or the like) that are “substantially perpendicular”, “substantially parallel”, or “substantially coplanar” with regard to other elements and/or properties thereof will be understood to be “perpendicular”, “parallel”, or “coplanar”, respectively, with regard to the other elements and/or properties thereof within manufacturing tolerances and/or material tolerances and/or have a deviation in magnitude and/or angle from “perpendicular”, “parallel”, or “coplanar”, respectively, with regard to the other elements and/or properties thereof that is equal to or less than 10% (e.g., a tolerance of $\pm 10\%$).

[0022] FIG. 1 is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0023] Referring to FIG. 1, the semiconductor package may include a package substrate **100**, second and third conductive pads **132** and **134**, a conductive connection member **150**, first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300**, first and second bonding wires **610** and **620**, first and second adhesion layers **400** and **700**, and a molding member **800**.

[0024] The package substrate **100** may include first and second surfaces **102** and **104** opposite to each other in the vertical direction, and may be a printed circuit board (PCB). The PCB may be a multi-layered circuit board including various circuit patterns, and FIG. 1 shows a first conductive pad **120** that is a part of the circuit patterns, and the second and third conductive pads **132** and **134** contacting the circuit patterns to be electrically connected thereto. In some example embodiments, a plurality of first conductive pads **120** may be spaced apart from each other in the horizontal direction, a plurality of second conductive pads **132** may be spaced apart from each other in the horizontal direction (e.g. a direction into the page as depicted in FIG. 1), and plurality of third conductive pads **134** may be spaced apart from each other in the horizontal direction (e.g. a direction into the page as depicted in FIG. 1). The first to third conductive pads **120**, **132** and **134** may be disposed in the package substrate **100**, and thus may also be referred to as first to third substrate pads **120**, **132** and **134**.

[0025] In some example embodiments, each of the second and third conductive pads **132** and **134** may include a lower portion in a groove on the first surface **102** of the package substrate **100**, and an upper portion that is disposed on and contacts the lower portion and protrudes above the first surface **102** of the package substrate **100**. A width of the upper portion of each of the second and third conductive pads **132** and **134** may be greater than a width of the lower portion thereof.

[0026] Each of the second and third conductive pads **132** and **134** may include a metal, e.g., nickel,

copper, aluminum, gold, etc.

[0027] The conductive connection member **150** may be disposed beneath the second surface **104** of the package substrate **100**, and may contact the first conductive pad **120**. The conductive connection member **150** may be electrically connected to the circuit patterns through the first conductive pad **120**.

[0028] The conductive connection member **150** may have a shape of, e.g., a bump or a ball. In some example embodiments, a plurality of conductive connection members **150** may be spaced apart from each other in the horizontal direction. The conductive connection member **150** may include, e.g., solder that is an alloy of tin, silver, copper, lead, etc.

[0029] The first semiconductor chip **200** may include first and second surfaces **202** and **204** opposite to each other in the vertical direction, and the second semiconductor chip **300** may include first and second surfaces **302** and **304** opposite to each other in the vertical direction. The first surface **202** of the first semiconductor chip **200** and the second surface **304** of the second semiconductor chip **300** may face upwardly in the vertical direction, and the second surface **204** of the first semiconductor chip **200** and the first surface **302** of the second semiconductor chip **300** may face downwardly in the vertical direction.

[0030] The first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300** may have active layers adjacent to the respective first surfaces **202** and **302** thereof, and a circuit device, for example, a DRAM device, a flash memory device, etc., may be disposed on each of the active layers. Thus, each of the first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300** may also be referred to as a memory chip or a memory die. Alternatively, a circuit device, for example, a logic device may be disposed on each of the active layers. Thus, each of the first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300** may also be referred to as a logic chip or a logic die. The circuit device may include a plurality of circuit patterns.

[0031] In some example embodiments, the first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300** may be chips configured to perform the same function. Alternatively, the first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300** may be chips configured to perform different functions from each other. The first and second semiconductor chips may collectively form a semiconductor chip stack structure.

[0032] A fourth conductive pad **210** may be disposed at a portion of the first semiconductor chip **200** adjacent to the first surface **202** thereof, and may contact a part of the circuit patterns of the first semiconductor chip **200** to be electrically connected thereto. For example, the fourth conductive pad **210** may be on the first surface **202** of the first semiconductor chip **200**. A plurality of fourth conductive pads **210** may be spaced apart from each other in the horizontal direction (e.g. a direction into the page as depicted in FIG. 1).

[0033] A fifth conductive pad **310** may be disposed at a portion of the second semiconductor chip **300** adjacent to the first surface **302** thereof, and may contact a part of the circuit patterns of the second semiconductor chip **300** to be electrically connected thereto. For example, the fifth conductive pad **310** may be on the first surface **302** of the second semiconductor chip **300**. A plurality of fifth conductive pads **310** may be spaced apart from each other in the horizontal direction (e.g. a direction into the page as depicted in FIG. 1).

[0034] The fourth and fifth conductive pads **210** and **310** may be disposed in the first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300**, respectively, and thus may also be referred to as first and second chip pads **210** and **310**, respectively.

[0035] Each of the fourth and fifth conductive pads **210** and **310** may include a metal, e.g., nickel, copper, aluminum, gold, etc.

[0036] In some example embodiments, upper surfaces of the second and third conductive pads **132** and **134** on the first surface **102** of the package substrate **100** may be lower than an upper surface of the first semiconductor chip **200** (e.g. the first surface **202**).

[0037] In some example embodiments, the first adhesion layer **400** may be attached to the second surface **204** of the first semiconductor chip **200**, and the first semiconductor chip **200** may be

bonded to the first surface **102** of the package substrate **100**.

[0038] In some example embodiments, the second adhesion layer **700** may be attached to a portion of the first surface **202** of the first semiconductor chip **200** where the fourth conductive pad **210** is not formed, and the first surface **202** of the first semiconductor chip **200** and the first surface **302** of the second semiconductor chip **300** may be bonded with each other through the second adhesion layer **700**. For example, the second adhesion layer **700** may be horizontally spaced apart from the conductive pad **210** on the first surface **202** of the first semiconductor chip **200**. Thus, the second adhesion layer **700** may not cover upper and lower surfaces of the fourth and fifth conductive pads **210** and **310**, respectively.

[0039] Each of the first and second adhesion layers **400** and **700** may include, e.g., die attach film (DAF), non-conductive film (NCF), epoxy, etc.

[0040] In some example embodiments, a plurality of first bonding wires **610** and a plurality of second bonding wires **620** may be spaced apart from each other in the horizontal direction correspondingly to the fourth and fifth conductive pads **210** and **310**, respectively.

[0041] In some example embodiments, the first bonding wire **610** may include a first vertical extension portion **614** and a first bonding portion **612**. The first vertical extension portion **614** may extend in the vertical direction and contact upper surfaces of the second conductive pad **132** and the first bonding portion **612**. The first bonding portion **612** may contact an upper end of the first vertical extension portion **614** and an upper surface of the fourth conductive pad **210** and have a shape of, e.g., a hemisphere.

[0042] In some example embodiments, the first vertical extension portion **614** may include a first portion extending in the vertical direction upwardly from the second conductive pad **132**, and a second portion extending in the vertical direction downwardly from the first portion thereof. That is, the first vertical extension portion **614** of the first bonding wire **610** may be bent at an interface between the first and second portions thereof.

[0043] In some example embodiments, the second bonding wire **620** may include a second vertical extension portion **624** and third and fourth bonding portions **622** and **626**. The second vertical extension portion **624** may extend in the vertical direction and contact upper and lower surfaces of the third and fourth bonding portions **622** and **626**. The third bonding portion **622** may contact an upper end of the second vertical extension portion **624** and a lower surface of the fifth conductive pad **310** and have a shape of, e.g., a hemisphere. The fourth bonding portion **626** may contact a lower end of the second vertical extension portion **624** and an upper surface of the third conductive pad **134** and have a shape of, e.g., a hemisphere.

[0044] In example embodiments, the second vertical extension portion **624** may extend in the vertical direction between the third and fourth bonding portions **622** and **626**, however, may not have a shape of a straight line but may be curvy or bent. For example, the third and fourth bonding portions **622** and **626** may be off set from each other in a horizontal direction. For example, the third and fourth bonding portions **622** and **626** may not be vertically aligned. In some example embodiments, the third bonding portion **622** may be an uppermost portion of the second bonding wire **620**. In some example embodiments, the third bonding portion **622** may be lower than or coplanar with the first surface **302** of the second semiconductor chip **300**.

[0045] In some example embodiments, the second adhesion layer **700** may not cover the first and second bonding wires **610** and **620**.

[0046] In some example embodiments, the first bonding wire **610** may further include a second bonding portion that may contact a lower end of the first vertical extension portion **614** and an upper surface of the second conductive pad **132** and have a shape of, e.g., a hemisphere.

[0047] Each of the first and second bonding wires **610** and **620** may include a metal, e.g., copper, aluminum, tungsten, nickel, molybdenum, gold, silver, chromium, tin, titanium, etc.

[0048] The molding member **800** may be disposed on the package substrate **100**, and may cover the second and third conductive pads **132** and **134**, the first semiconductor chip **200**, the first and

second bonding wires **610** and **620** and the first and second adhesion layers **400** and **700**. The molding member **800** may surround a sidewall of the second semiconductor chip **300**. The molding member **800** may surround a sidewall of the first semiconductor chip **200**. In some example embodiments, an upper surface of the molding member **800** may be coplanar or substantially coplanar with an upper surface of the second semiconductor chip **300**.

[0049] The molding member **800** may include, e.g., epoxy molding compound (EMC).

[0050] The semiconductor package may include the first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300** sequentially stacked in the vertical direction, and the active layer of the first semiconductor chip **200** that is disposed at a relatively low level may face upwardly, while the active layer of the second semiconductor chip **300** that is disposed at a relatively high level may face downwardly.

[0051] Thus, the fourth conductive pad **210** on the active layer of the first semiconductor chip **200**, that is, at a portion of the first semiconductor chip **200** adjacent to the first surface **202** of the first semiconductor chip **200** may be electrically connected to the second conductive pad **132** on the first surface **102** of the package substrate **100** through the first bonding wire **610**, while the fifth conductive pad **310** beneath the active layer of the second semiconductor chip **300**, that is, at a portion of the second semiconductor chip **300** adjacent to the first surface **302** of the second semiconductor chip **300** may be electrically connected to the third conductive pad **134** on the first surface **102** of the package substrate **100** through the second bonding wire **620**. The second bonding wire **620** may be disposed between the second semiconductor chip **300** and the package substrate **100**.

[0052] Accordingly, a conductive pad and a bonding wire connected thereto may not be formed on the second surface **304**, that is, the upper surface of the second semiconductor chip **300**, and thus the upper surface of the molding member **800** may not be higher than the upper surface of the second semiconductor chip **300** in order to cover the bonding wire. As a result, a vertical thickness of the semiconductor package may be reduced, for example e.g., by about 150 μm .

[0053] FIG. 2 is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0054] This semiconductor package may be substantially the same as or similar to that of FIG. 1, except for the height of the molding member, and thus repeated explanations are omitted herein.

[0055] Referring to FIG. 2, the molding member **800** may cover an upper surface of the second semiconductor chip **300** as well as the sidewall thereof, and thus the upper surface of the molding member **800** may be higher than the upper surface of the second semiconductor chip **300**, for example e.g., by about 20 μm .

[0056] No bonding wire is disposed on the upper surface of the second semiconductor chip **300**, and thus the molding member **800** may not have a thick thickness in order to cover the bonding wire, however, the molding member **800** may have an additional thickness so that the upper surface of the second semiconductor chip **300** is covered by the molding member **800**, for example the second semiconductor chip **300** may not be seen through the molding member **800**.

[0057] FIGS. 3 to 6 are cross-sectional views illustrating methods of manufacturing a semiconductor package in accordance with example embodiments.

[0058] Referring to FIG. 3, first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300** may be bonded with a first surface **102** of the package substrate **100**.

[0059] The package substrate **100** may include first and second surfaces **102** and **104** opposite to each other in the vertical direction, and may be, e.g., PCB, which is a multi-layered circuit board including various circuits. The package substrate **100** may include a first conductive pad **120** that is a part of the circuit patterns, and second and third conductive pads **132** and **134** contacting the circuit patterns to be electrically connected thereto.

[0060] The first semiconductor chip **200** may include first and second surfaces **202** and **204** opposite to each other in the vertical direction, and the second semiconductor chip **300** may include first and second surfaces **302** and **304** opposite to each other in the vertical direction.

[0061] In some example embodiments, a first adhesion layer **400** may be attached to the second surface **204** of the first semiconductor chip **200**, a temporary adhesion layer **500** may be attached to the second surface **304** of the second semiconductor chip **300**, and each of the first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300** may be bonded to the first surface of the package substrate **100** through the first adhesion layer **400** and the temporary adhesion layer **500**.

[0062] The temporary adhesion layer **500** may include a material that may lose adhesion by irradiation of light, e.g., UV or heat. In some example embodiments, the temporary adhesion layer **500** may include release tape.

[0063] The first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300** may include active layers adjacent to the first surfaces **202** and **302**, respectively, and a circuit device such as a DRAM device, a flash memory device, etc., may be formed on the active layer. The circuit device may include a plurality of circuit patterns.

[0064] Fourth and fifth conductive pads **210** and **310** may be formed at portions of the first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300**, respectively, adjacent to the first surfaces **202** and **302**, and may contact the circuit patterns of the first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300**, respectively, to be electrically thereto.

[0065] A second adhesion layer **700** may be attached to a portion of the first surface **202** of the first semiconductor chip **200** by, e.g., a spray. In some example embodiments, the second adhesion layer **700** may be formed on a portion the first surface **202** of the first semiconductor chip **200** where the fourth conductive pad **210** is not formed.

[0066] A first bonding wire **610** contacting and electrically connecting the second and fourth conductive pads **132** and **210** with each other, and a second bonding wire **620** contacting and electrically connecting the third and fifth conductive pads **134** and **310** with each other may be formed by a wire bonding process using, e.g., a capillary.

[0067] In some example embodiments, the first bonding wire **610** may include a first vertical extension portion **614** and a first bonding portion **612**. The first vertical extension portion **614** may extend in the vertical direction and contacting upper surfaces of the second conductive pad **132** and the first bonding portion **612**. The first bonding portion **612** may contact an upper end of the first vertical extension portion **614** and an upper surface of the fourth conductive pad **210** and have a shape of, e.g., a hemisphere.

[0068] In some example embodiments, the second bonding wire **620** may include a second vertical extension portion **624** and third and fourth bonding portions **622** and **626**. The second vertical extension **624** may extend in the vertical direction and contact upper surfaces of the third and fourth bonding portions **622** and **626**. The third bonding portion **622** may contact an upper end of the second vertical extension portion **624** and an upper surface of the fifth conductive pad **310** and have a shape of, e.g., a hemisphere. The fourth bonding portion **626** may contact a lower end of the second vertical extension portion **624** and an upper surface of the third conductive pad **134** and have a shape of, e.g., a hemisphere.

[0069] In some example embodiments, the first bonding wire **610** may further include a second bonding portion that may contact a lower end of the first vertical extension portion **614** and an upper surface of the second conductive pad **132** and have a shape of, e.g., a hemisphere.

[0070] A first head picker **910** may be attached to the first surface **302** of the second semiconductor chip **300**.

[0071] Referring to FIG. 4, the second semiconductor chip **300** may be adsorbed by the first head picker **910**, lifted up in the vertical direction, and a second head picker **920** may be attacked to a surface of a temporary adhesion layer **500** on the second surface **304** of the second semiconductor chip **300**.

[0072] The second bonding wire **620** may be fixed to the fifth and third conductive pads **310** and **134** by the third and fourth bonding portions **622** and **626**, respectively, and thus may not be separated from the fifth and third conductive pads **310** and **134**.

[0073] In some example embodiments, when the second semiconductor chip **300** is lifted up using the first head picker **910**, the temporary adhesion layer **500** attached to the second semiconductor chip **300** may be separated from the second semiconductor chip **300** to remain on the first surface **102** of the package substrate **100**, and in this case, the temporary adhesion layer **500** may be separated from the package substrate **100** by an additional process.

[0074] Referring to FIG. 5, the first head picker **910** may be separated from the second semiconductor chip **300**, and the second semiconductor chip **300** may be bonded with the second adhesion layer **700** attached to the first surface **202** of the first semiconductor chip **200** so as to be stacked on the first semiconductor chip **200**.

[0075] Accordingly, the first surface **302** of the second semiconductor chip **300** may face downwardly in the vertical direction, and the second bonding wire **620** may extend in the vertical direction but a portion of the second bonding wire **620** may be bent. The second bonding wire **620** may electrically connect the third and fifth conductive pads **134** and **310** with each other.

[0076] Referring to FIG. 6, the second head picker **920** may be separated from the second semiconductor chip **300** and a molding member **800** may be formed on the package substrate **100** to cover the second and third conductive pads **132** and **134**, the first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300**, the first and second bonding wires **610** and **620**, the first and second adhesion layers **400** and **700**, and the temporary adhesion layer **500**.

[0077] Referring to FIG. 1 again, a planarization process may be performed on the molding member **800** until the second surface **304** of the second semiconductor chip **300** is exposed, and during the planarization process, the temporary adhesion layer **500** attached to the second semiconductor chip **300** may be removed.

[0078] In some example embodiments, the planarization process may include a chemical mechanical polishing (CMP) process.

[0079] A conductive connection member **150** may be formed beneath the second surface **104** of the package substrate **100** so that the manufacturing the semiconductor package may be completed.

[0080] FIG. 7 is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0081] This semiconductor package may be substantially the same as or similar to that of FIG. 1, except for including a plurality of first semiconductor chips, and thus repeated explanations are omitted herein.

[0082] Referring to FIG. 7, the semiconductor package may include a plurality of first semiconductor chips **200** stacked in the vertical direction on the package substrate **100**, and the second semiconductor chip **300** on an uppermost one of the first semiconductor chips **200**.

[0083] That is, the semiconductor chip stack structure may include a lower semiconductor chip stack structure and the second semiconductor chip **300** thereon, and the lower semiconductor chip stack structure may include the plurality of first semiconductor chips **200**. FIG. 7 shows that the lower semiconductor chip stack structure includes three first semiconductor chips **200**, however, the inventive concept may not be limited thereto, and the lower semiconductor chip stack structure may include more than three first semiconductor chips **200**.

[0084] In an example embodiment, the first semiconductor chips **200** may be stacked in a cascade pattern. Alternatively, the first semiconductor chips **200** may be stacked in a zigzag pattern. Alternatively, the first semiconductor chips **200** may be stacked in complex pattern including the cascade pattern and the zigzag pattern.

[0085] Each of the first semiconductor chips **200** may be electrically connected to one of the first semiconductor chips **200** directly thereunder or the package substrate **100** through the first bonding wire **610**. The first bonding wire **610** may include the first vertical extension portion **614** and the first bonding portion **612**. The first vertical extension portion **614** may extend in the vertical direction and contact upper surfaces of the first bonding portions **612**. The first bonding portion **612** may contact an upper end of the first vertical extension portion **614** and an upper surface of the

fourth conductive pad **210** of each of the first semiconductor chips **200** and have a shape of, e.g., a hemisphere.

[0086] A second adhesion layer **700** of a plurality of second adhesion layers **700** may be attached to a portion of the first surface **202** of an uppermost one of the first semiconductor chips **200** in the lower semiconductor chip stack structure and the second semiconductor chip **300**. Additionally, the uppermost one of the first semiconductor chips **200** may be bonded with each other through the second adhesion layers **700**.

[0087] FIGS. **8** and **9** are cross-sectional views illustrating a method of manufacturing a semiconductor package in accordance with example embodiments.

[0088] This method may include processes substantially the same as or similar to those illustrated with respect to FIGS. **3** to **6** and FIG. **1**, and thus repeated explanations thereof are omitted herein.

[0089] Referring to FIG. **8**, processes substantially the same as or similar to those illustrated with respect to FIG. **3** may be performed, however, a plurality of first semiconductor chips **200**, instead of a single first semiconductor chip **200**, may be stacked on the package substrate **100**.

[0090] The first adhesion layer **400** may be attached to the second surface **204** of one of the first semiconductor chips **200** that is disposed at a relatively high level, and may be bonded with one of the first semiconductor chips **200** that is disposed at a relatively low level.

[0091] The second adhesion layer **700** may be attached to a portion of the first surface **202** of an uppermost one of the first semiconductor chips **200**.

[0092] Additionally, the first bonding wire **610** for electrically connecting the fourth conductive pads **210** of the first semiconductor chips **200** and the second conductive pad **132** on the first surface **102** of the package substrate **100** may be formed by a wire bonding process.

[0093] Referring to FIG. **9**, processes substantially the same as or similar to those illustrated with respect to FIGS. **4** and **5** may be performed so that the second semiconductor chip **300** may be stacked on the uppermost one of the first semiconductor chips **200**.

[0094] Referring to FIG. **7** again, processes substantially the same as or similar to those illustrated with respect to FIG. **6** and FIG. **1** may be performed to complete the manufacturing of the semiconductor package.

[0095] FIG. **10** is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0096] This semiconductor package may be substantially the same as or similar to that of FIG. **7**, except for including a plurality of second semiconductor chips, and thus repeated explanations are omitted herein.

[0097] Referring to FIG. **10**, the semiconductor package may include a plurality of first semiconductor chips **200** stacked on the package substrate **100** and a plurality of second semiconductor chips **300** stacked on the uppermost one of the first semiconductor chips **200**.

[0098] That is, the semiconductor chip stack structure of the semiconductor package may include the lower semiconductor chip stack structure and an upper semiconductor chip stack structure thereon, and the lower semiconductor chip stack structure may include the plurality of first semiconductor chips **200** and the upper semiconductor chip stack structure may include the plurality of second semiconductor chips **300**.

[0099] FIG. **10** shows that the lower semiconductor chip stack structure includes two first semiconductor chips **200** and the upper semiconductor chip stack structure includes two second semiconductor chips **300**, however, the inventive concept may not be limited thereto, and the lower and upper semiconductor chip stack structures may include more than two first and second semiconductor chips **200** and **300**, respectively.

[0100] The first surface **302** of each of the second semiconductor chips **300** may face downwardly in the vertical direction, and the fifth conductive pad **310** may be disposed at a portion of each of the second semiconductor chips **300** adjacent to the first surface **302**. The second bonding wire **620** may be disposed between the fifth conductive pad **310** of the uppermost one of the second

semiconductor chips **300** and the third conductive pad **134** on the first surface **102** of the package substrate **100**, and may electrically connect the fifth conductive pad **310** and the third conductive pad **134** to each other.

[0101] A third bonding wire **630** may be disposed between and electrically connect the fifth conductive pad **310** of one of the second semiconductor chips **300** disposed at a relatively high level and the fifth conductive pad **310** of one of the second semiconductor chips **300** disposed at a relatively low level. In some example embodiments, the third bonding wire **630** may include a third vertical extension portion **634** and a fifth bonding portion **632**. The third vertical extension portion **634** may extend in the vertical direction and contact a lower surface of the fifth bonding portion **632** and a lower surface of the third bonding portion **622** of the second bonding wire **620**. The fifth bonding portion **632** may contact a lower end of the third vertical extension portion **634** and the lower surface of the fifth conductive pad **310** and have a shape of, e.g., a hemisphere.

[0102] FIG. **11** is a cross-sectional view illustrating a method of manufacturing a semiconductor package in accordance with example embodiments.

[0103] This method may include processes substantially the same as or similar to those illustrated with respect to FIGS. **8** and **9** and FIG. **7**, and thus repeated explanations thereof are omitted herein.

[0104] Referring to FIG. **11**, processes substantially the same as or similar to those illustrated with respect to FIG. **8** may be performed, however, a plurality of second semiconductor chips **300** may be stacked on the first surface **102** of the package substrate **100**.

[0105] The first adhesion layer **400** may be attached to the second surface **304** of a first one of the second semiconductor chips **300** stacked at a relatively high level, and the first one of the semiconductor chips **300** may be bonded with a second one of the second semiconductor chips **300** stacked at a relatively low level.

[0106] Additionally, a third bonding wire **630** may be formed to electrically connect the fifth conductive pads **310** of the first and second ones of the second semiconductor chips **300** with each other by a wire bonding process. In some example embodiments, the third bonding wire **630** may include a third vertical extension portion **634** and a fifth bonding portion.

[0107] The first head picker **910** may be attached to the first surface **302** of an uppermost one of the second semiconductor chips **300**.

[0108] Referring to FIG. **10**, processes substantially the same as or similar to those illustrated with respect to FIG. **9** and FIG. **7** may be performed so that the second semiconductor chips **300** may be stacked on an uppermost one of the first semiconductor chips **200**, the molding member **800** may be formed on the package substrate **100**, a planarization process may be performed on the molding member **800**, and the conductive connection member **150** may be formed to complete the manufacturing the semiconductor package.

[0109] FIG. **12** is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with example embodiments.

[0110] This semiconductor package may be substantially the same as or similar to that of FIG. **7**, except for the connection between each of the first semiconductor chips and the package substrate, and thus repeated explanations are omitted herein.

[0111] Referring to FIG. **12**, the first semiconductor chips **200** included in the lower semiconductor chip stack structure may be electrically connected to the second conductive pads **132** on the first surface **102** of the package substrate **100** through corresponding ones of the first bonding wires **610**.

[0112] In the semiconductor package of FIG. **7**, each of the first semiconductor chips **200** except for a lowermost one of the first semiconductor chips **200** may be electrically connected to the package substrate **100** through the first bonding wires **610** that may connect the fourth conductive pads **210** of ones of the first semiconductor chips **200** under each of the first semiconductor chips **200**, while in the semiconductor package of FIG. **12**, each of the first semiconductor chips **200** may

be electrically connected to the package substrate **100** through the first bonding wire **610** that may directly connect the fourth conductive pad **210** of each of the first semiconductor chips **200** and the package substrate **100**.

[0113] FIG. **13** is a cross-sectional view illustrating a semiconductor package in accordance with some example embodiments.

[0114] This semiconductor package may be substantially the same as or similar to that of FIG. **7**, except for the lower semiconductor chip stack structure, and thus repeated explanations are omitted herein.

[0115] Referring to FIG. **13**, the first semiconductor chips **200** included in the lower semiconductor chip stack structure may not be stacked in a cascade pattern or a zigzag pattern, but edges of the first semiconductor chips **200** may be aligned (e.g. coplanar) with each other in the vertical direction.

[0116] A portion of the first bonding wire **610** contacting an upper surface of the fourth conductive pad **210** of each of the first semiconductor chips **200** except for the uppermost one of the first semiconductor chips **200** may be covered by a third adhesion layer **450** attached to the second surface **204** of one of the first semiconductor chips **200** disposed at a level higher than that of each of the first semiconductor chips **200**. Thus, a thickness in the vertical direction of the third adhesion layer **450** may be greater than a thickness in the vertical direction of the first adhesion layer **400**.

[0117] The foregoing is illustrative of some example embodiments and is not to be construed as limiting thereof. Although a few example embodiments have been described, those skilled in the art will readily appreciate that many modifications are possible in example embodiments without materially departing from the novel teachings and advantages of the present inventive concepts. Accordingly, all such modifications are intended to be included within the scope of example embodiments as defined in the claims.

Claims

1. A semiconductor package comprising: a package substrate having first and second substrate pads; a first semiconductor chip on the package substrate, the first semiconductor chip including a first chip pad; a second semiconductor chip on the first semiconductor chip, the second semiconductor chip including a second chip pad on a lower surface of the second semiconductor chip; a first bonding wire contacting the first substrate pad and the first chip pad; and a second bonding wire contacting the second substrate pad and the second chip pad, wherein an uppermost portion of the second bonding wire is lower than or coplanar with the lower surface of the second semiconductor chip.
2. The semiconductor package according to claim 1, wherein the second bonding wire includes: a first bonding portion contacting a lower surface of the second chip pad; a second bonding portion contacting an upper surface of the second substrate pad; and a vertical extension portion contacting the first and second bonding portions and extending in a vertical direction between the first and second bonding portions.
3. The semiconductor package according to claim 2, wherein each of the first and second bonding portions has a shape of a hemisphere, and the vertical extension portion is curved.
4. The semiconductor package according to claim 1, further comprising: an adhesion layer contacting a portion of an upper surface of the first semiconductor chip and a portion of the lower surface of the second semiconductor chip.
5. The semiconductor package according to claim 4, wherein the adhesion layer does not cover the first and second chip pads and the first and second bonding wires.
6. The semiconductor package according to claim 1, further comprising: a molding member on the package substrate, the molding member covering the first semiconductor chip, covering the first and second bonding wires, and surrounding a sidewall of the second semiconductor chip.

7. The semiconductor package according to claim 6, wherein an upper surface of the molding member is coplanar with an upper surface of the second semiconductor chip.
8. The semiconductor package according to claim 6, wherein the molding member covers an upper surface of the second semiconductor chip.
9. The semiconductor package according to claim 1, wherein an upper surface of each of the first and second substrate pads is lower than an upper surface of the first semiconductor chip.
10. A semiconductor package comprising: a package substrate having first and second substrate pads; a lower semiconductor chip stack structure including first semiconductor chips stacked on the package substrate in a vertical direction perpendicular to an upper surface of the package substrate, each of the first semiconductor chips including a first chip pad; a second semiconductor chip on the lower semiconductor chip stack structure, the second semiconductor chip including a second chip pad on a bottom surface of the second semiconductor chip; a first bonding wire contacting the first chip pad of a lowermost one of the first semiconductor chips and the first substrate pad; and a second bonding wire contacting the second substrate pad and the second chip pad, wherein an upper surface of each of the first and second substrate pads is lower than an upper surface of the lowermost one of the first semiconductor chips.
11. The semiconductor package according to claim 10, further comprising: a third bonding wire contacting the first chip pads of neighboring first semiconductor chips in the vertical direction.
12. The semiconductor package according to claim 11, wherein the first semiconductor chips are stacked in the vertical direction in a cascade pattern or a zigzag pattern.
13. The semiconductor package according to claim 10, further comprising: third substrate pads spaced apart from each other in a horizontal direction substantially parallel to the upper surface of the package substrate; and third bonding wires contacting the first chip pad of each of the first semiconductor chips, respectively, except for the lowermost one of the first semiconductor chips, and each third bonding wire corresponding to a third substrate pad of the third substrate pads.
14. The semiconductor package according to claim 13, wherein the first semiconductor chips are stacked in the vertical direction in a cascade pattern or a zigzag pattern.
15. The semiconductor package according to claim 13, wherein edges of the first semiconductor chips, respectively, are aligned with each other in the vertical direction.
16. The semiconductor package according to claim 10, further comprising: a third semiconductor chip between the lower semiconductor chip stack structure and the second semiconductor chip; and a third bonding wire contacting the second and third substrate pads.
17. The semiconductor package according to claim 16, further comprising: a first adhesion layer contacting a portion of an upper surface of an uppermost one of the first semiconductor chips included in the lower semiconductor chip stack structure and a portion of a lower surface of the third semiconductor chip.
18. The semiconductor package according to claim 16, further comprising: a second adhesion layer contacting an upper surface of the third semiconductor chip and a portion of a lower surface of the second semiconductor chip.
19. A semiconductor package comprising: a package substrate having first and second substrate pads; a lower semiconductor chip stack structure including first semiconductor chips stacked on the package substrate in a vertical direction substantially perpendicular to an upper surface of the package substrate, each of the first semiconductor chips including a first chip pad; a second semiconductor chip on the lower semiconductor chip stack structure, the second semiconductor chip including a second chip pad on a lower surface of the second semiconductor chip; a first adhesion layer contacting a portion of an upper surface of an uppermost one of the first semiconductor chips included in the lower semiconductor chip stack structure and a portion of the lower surface of the second semiconductor chip; a first bonding wire contacting the first chip pad of a lowermost one of the first semiconductor chips and the first substrate pad; a second bonding wire contacting the first chip pads of neighboring ones of the first semiconductor chips in the

vertical direction; a third bonding wire contacting the second substrate pad and the second chip pad; and a molding member on the package substrate, the molding member covering the lower semiconductor chip stack structure, the first adhesion layer, and the first to third bonding wires and surrounding a sidewall of the second semiconductor chip, wherein an upper portion of the third bonding wire is lower than or coplanar with the lower surface of the second semiconductor chip.

20. The semiconductor package according to claim 19, wherein an upper surface of the molding member is coplanar with an upper surface of the second semiconductor chip.
