

SiLab Gantry Software Development

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- March 30, 2016 - New routine deployed.

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- Performed needed actions and served as a good R&D platform
- But...
 - Unreliable - Memory leak results in unpredictable crashes.
 - Unmaintainable - Essentially a single script that has grown to do the whole routine.
- Clearly a rewrite is in order.

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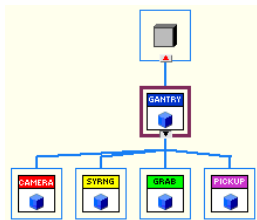
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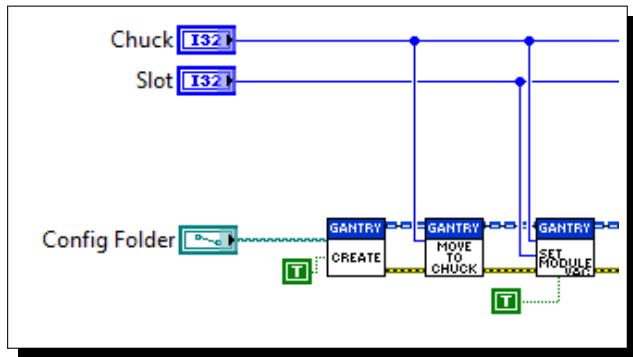
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- Qualities of old software made it impractical to reuse parts.
- Rewrite software from scratch!
- Bring in a UNL LabVIEW expert, Dustin Dam, to consult with redesign.

- Adhere to LabVIEW software best practices.
 - Don't fight data-flow.
 - Small functions.
 - Organize code into LabVIEW project.
- Take advantage of LabVIEW's Object-Oriented features.
- Encapsulate *all* hardware interaction within a single class (Gantry).
- Use inheritance to model specialized functionality of the gantry's "Tools".





Encapsulation Routine Architecture

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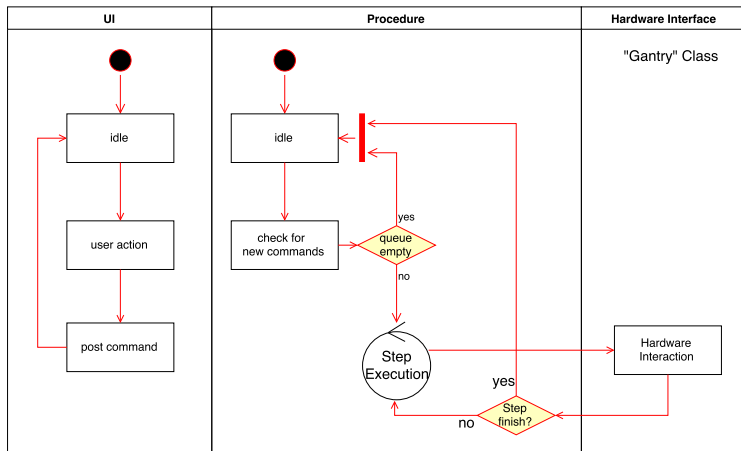
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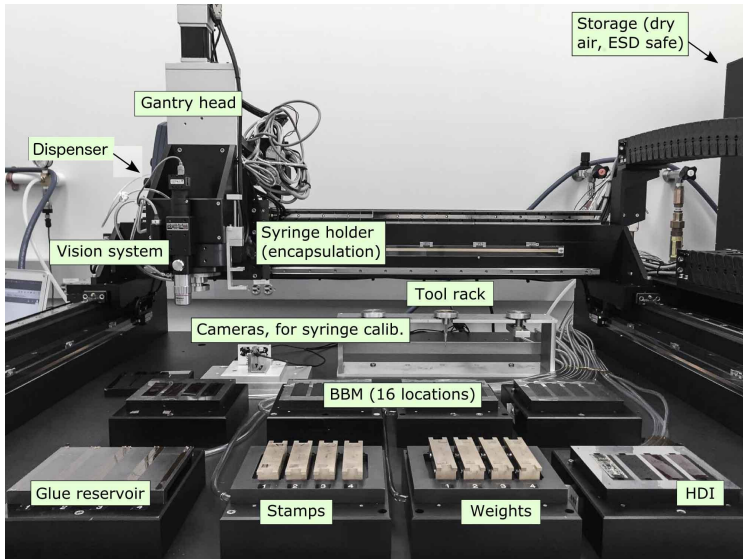
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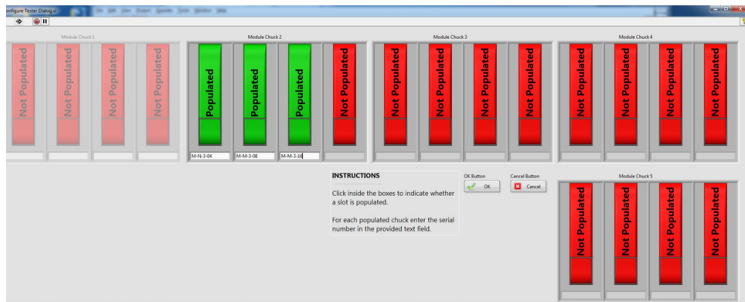
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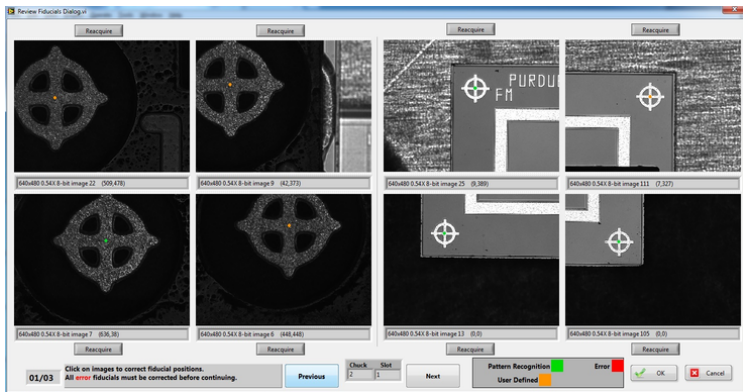
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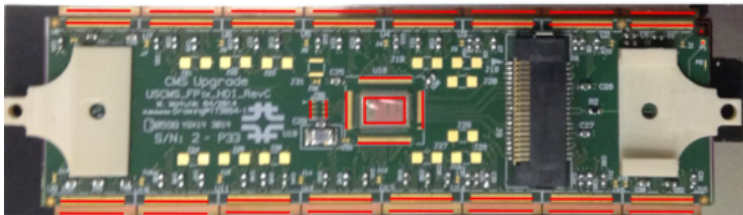
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Potting Locations

- Red lines indicate what must be potted.
 - HDI \longleftrightarrow ROC Bonds
 - TBM \longleftrightarrow HDI Bonds
 - Address Pad Bonds
 - HV Bonds



Potting Locations - HDI Bond Pad Groups

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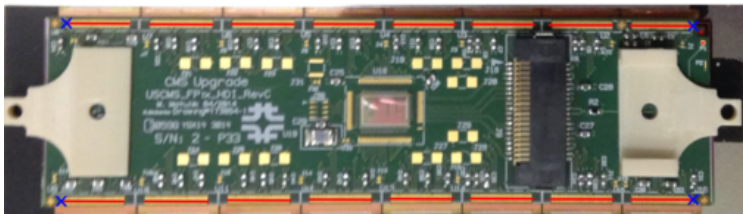
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- Take images at blue crosses.
- User selects point within images.
- Points are used to calculate the red line segments.



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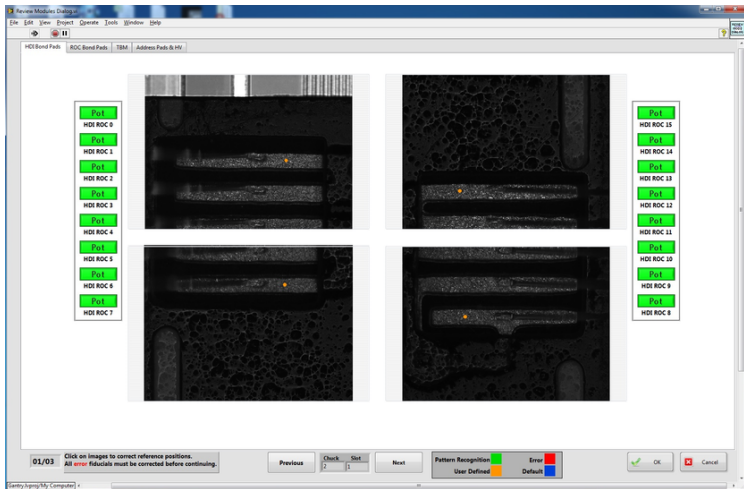
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- Potting routine deployed March 30
 - Slow ramp up, but we can now encapsulate 8 modules per session.
 - 16 minutes per module (down from an hour with original routine)
 - 76 modules encapsulated without incident.
- Code can be found here (Requires UNL credentials)
- Potting progress and basic analysis of performance can be found here.

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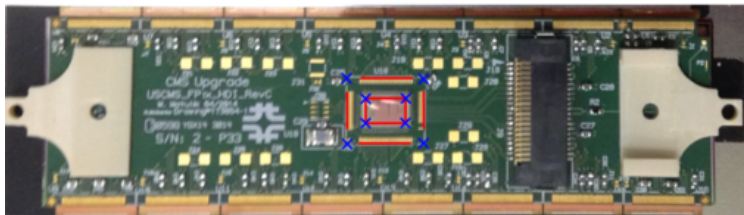
- Will rewrite gluing routine over summer with new codebase.
- Can look into alternative code hosting if others want to collaborate.

Potting Locations - TBM

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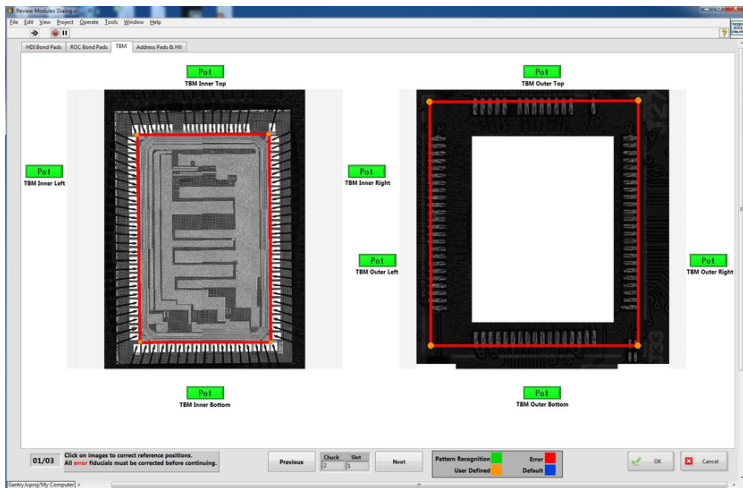
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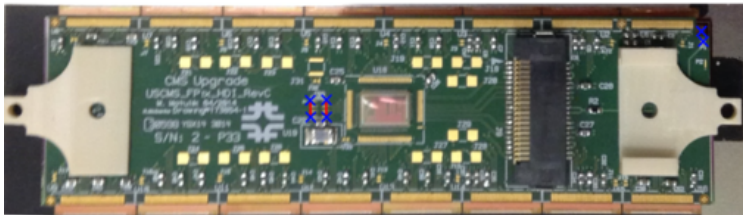


Potting Locations - HV & Address Pads

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