

# Design Guide





Design Guide for

Thin Wall Product



# **Design Concept**

**Material selection** 

Goal

Thin wall

Low weight

**Minimum Size** 

**Reduction of Cycle time** 

**High Productivity** 

**Saving Material** 

**Application Development Center** 

**Optimum Design** 

**Processing technology** 



#### **Material selection**

#### Requirement

**Thick** Thin

**High Flow Length** 

**Resin Flow length: Spiral Flow(L/T)** 

100:1 ~ 150:1

>200:1

**High Impact Strength** 

Notch Izod Impact Test, Low Temperature Impact Test

**Good Appearance** 

Low Gloss, UV Resistance: deltaE 1~2

**Stiffness** 

Neat engineering Plastics: Flexural Modulus- 2,000MPa Reinforced plastics: Flexural Modulus- 3,500~ 14,000MPa

**Heat Resistance** 

UL Relative Thermal Index(RTI): 70 ~ 95°C

**Mechanical Integrity** 

Design for assembly: Snap fit, Small Screw, Ultrasonic Welding

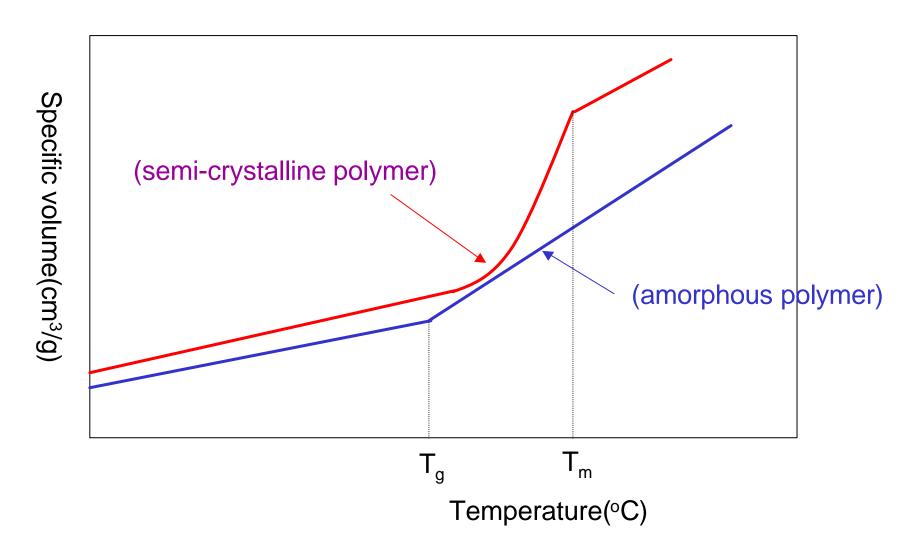
Flame Resistance

Mobile Phone: UL HB, Portable PC: UL94 V-0~V-1



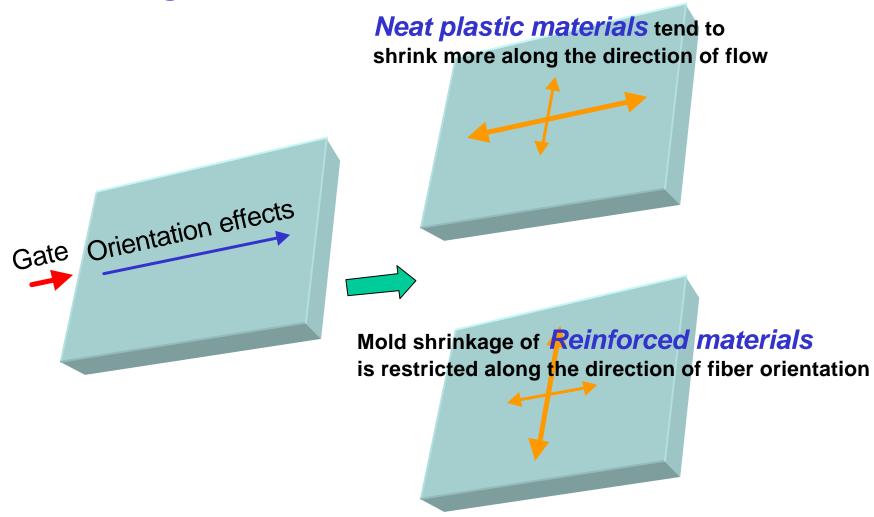
# **Shrinkage**

### Amorphous vs. semi-crystalline



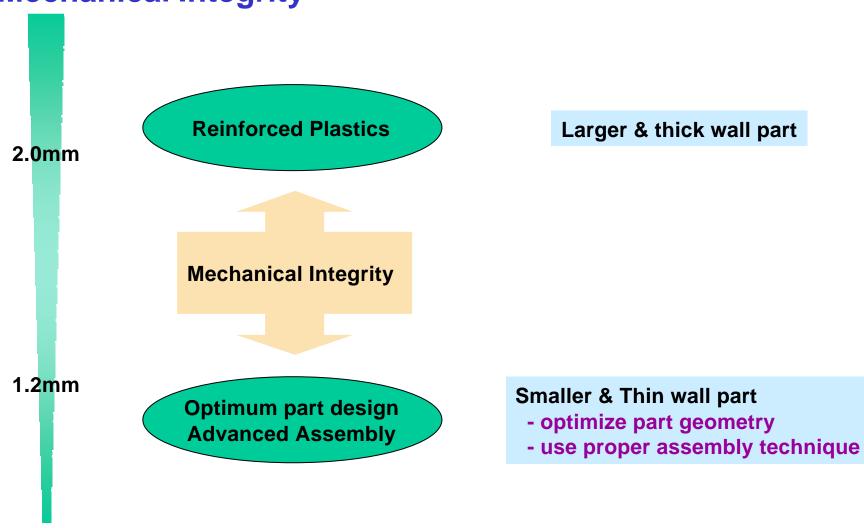


## **Shrinkage**





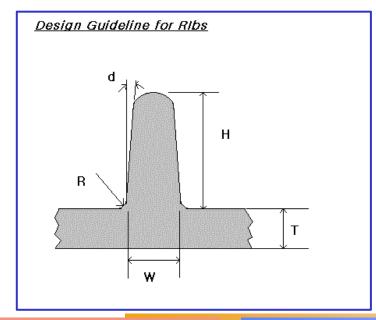
### **Mechanical Integrity**







Wall Thickness of Rib, Boss, Gusset in thin wall part may be same as part thickness because of low possibility of sink or void.



#### **Guidelines for Rib dimensions:**

Components wall thickness:T

Draft per side(d):0.5° ~1.5°

Rib height(H):less than 5T(typically 2.5T~3T)

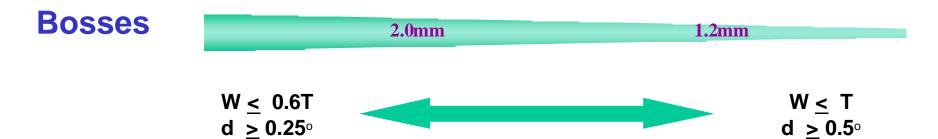
Rib spacing(on center):more than (2T~3T)

Base radius(R):0.25T~0.40T

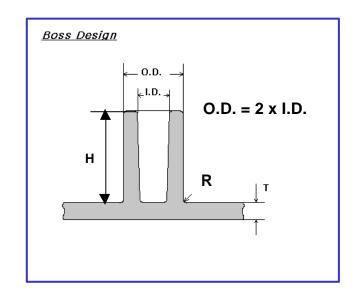
Rib thickness(W):0.4T~0.8T

(less than 0.5T for PC/ABS, 0.5T~0.7T for ABS)





# A boss with outside diameter which is two times the inside diameter is sufficiently strong



#### **Guidelines for Boss dimensions:**

Components wall thickness:T

Draft per side(d):0.5° ~1.5°

Boss height(H):less than 5T(typically 2.5T~3T)

Base radius(R):0.25T~0.40T

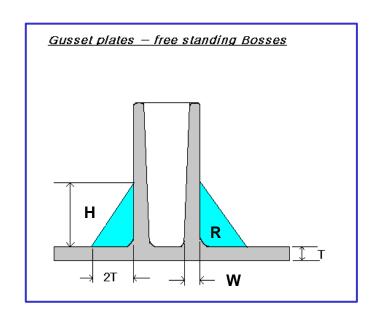
Boss thickness(W):0.4T~0.8T







# Gussets are another form of ribbing that can be used to reinforce a side wall of a part or boss



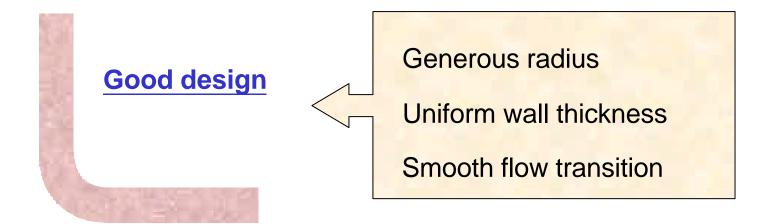
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#### **Guidelines for Gusset dimensions:**

Components wall thickness:T
Draft per side(d):0.5° ~1.5°
Gusset height(H):less than 5T(typically 2.5T~3T)
Base radius(R):0.25T~0.40T
Gusset thickness(W):0.4T~0.8T



#### Corner



### **Incorrect design**

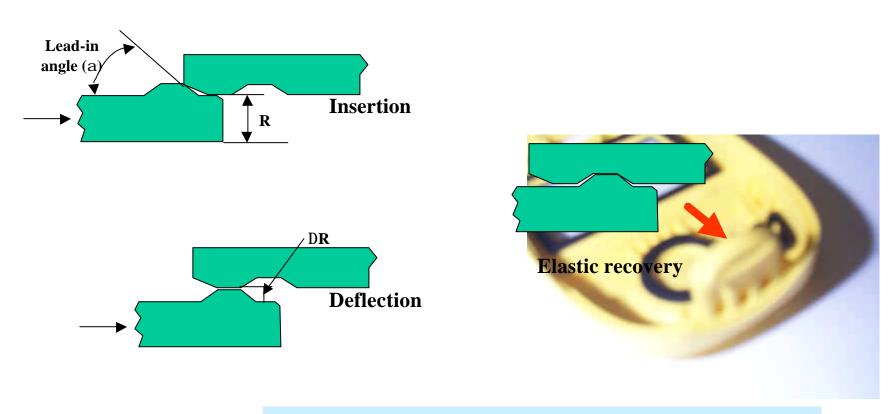
Stress concentration Sharp flow restriction Non-uniform wall thickness Shrinkage/void/sinks Non-uniform flow

Non-uniform wall thickness shrinkage/void/sinks
Non-uniform flow



#### **Snap Fit Joint assembly**

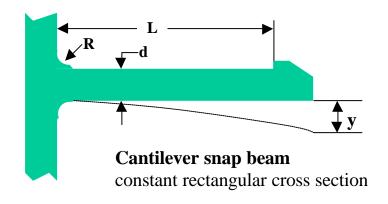
satisfy both Design for assembly and Design for disassembly



Simple & Most versatile means of plastic product assembly

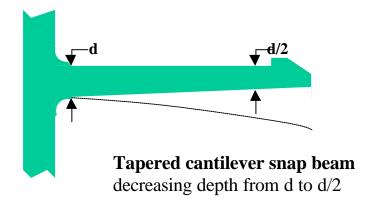


#### **Snap Fit Joint assembly**



**e** = maximum tensile strain

$$y = 0.67 e L^2/d$$



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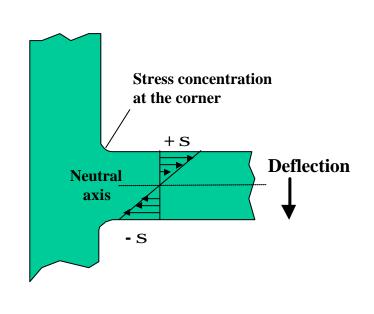
$$y = 1.1 e L^2/d$$

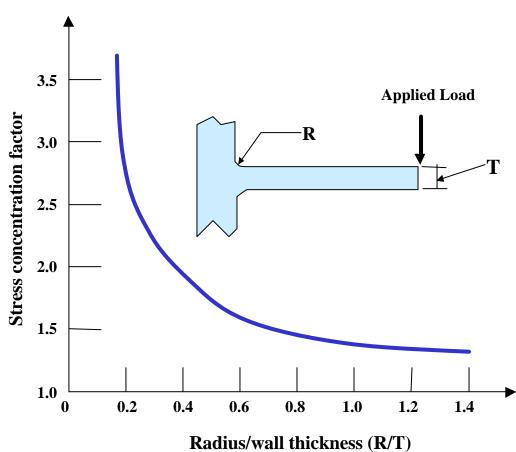
Permissible deflection for the tapered beam is about 60% greater than that of the constant cross section of rectangular beam

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#### **Snap Fit Joint assembly**





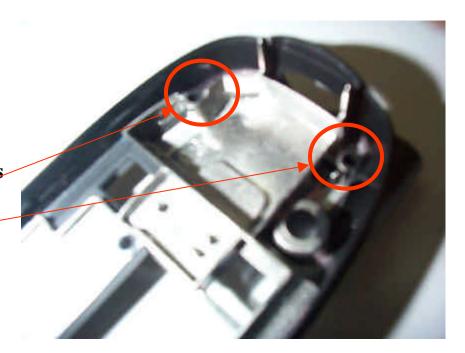
Stress concentration factors show that larger radius values tend to reduce the stress concentration and mold filling orientation related problems, however, excessive radii can lead to complications due to sinks, voids, shrinkage stress.



#### **Mechanical fastener - Screw**

Screws provide a simple, fast, and effective method of joining similar or dissimilar materials

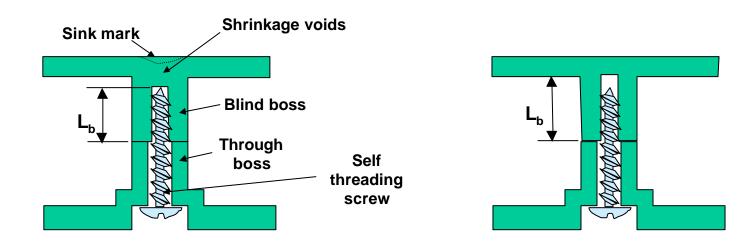
- **OMachine screws (I.e. nuts and bolts)**
- OMachine screws with a threaded metal inserts or molded threads
- **OSelf threading screws**



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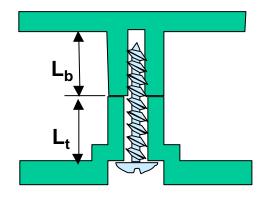
### **Self threading screw**

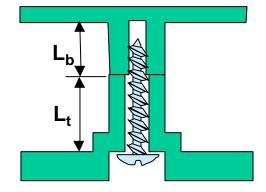


The core pins that are used to form the holes in blind bosses should be extended as much as possible to core out excessive material.



#### **Self threading screw**



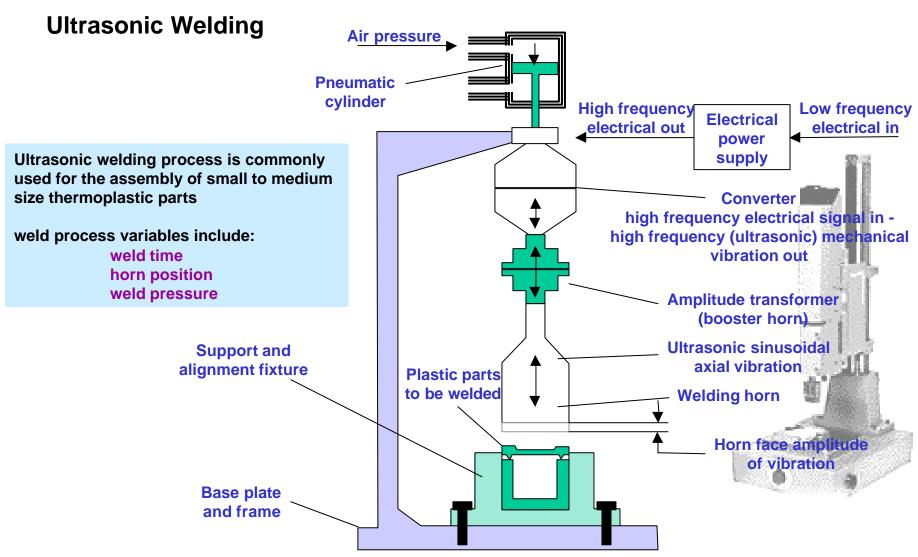


L<sub>b</sub>=length of hole in the blind boss

L<sub>t</sub>= length of hole in the through boss

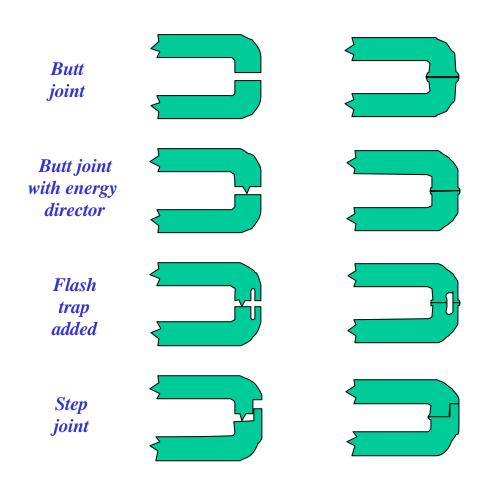
The blind boss core pin length is reduced to minimize the molding problems associated with long, cantilever core pins







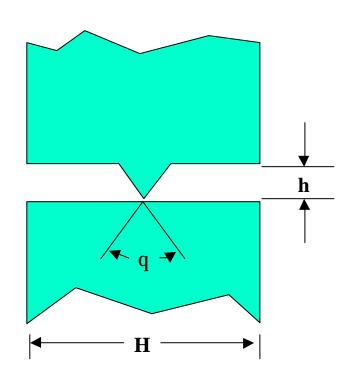
#### **Ultrasonic Welding**



- ◆ Poor but joint design
- **◆** Excessive weld time
- **♦** Excessive weld energy
- Exuding melt results in a visual defect
- ♦ Improved butt joint design
- ◆ Reduced weld time
- ◆ Reduced weld energy
- **♦** Exuding flash (visible)
- ◆ Flash trap added
- ◆ Reduction in weld area
- Exuding melt does not result in a visual defect
- ◆ Step joint design
- ♦ Improved shear resistance
- Exuding melt does not result in a visual defect
- **◆** Assists in locating parts



### **Ultrasonic Welding**

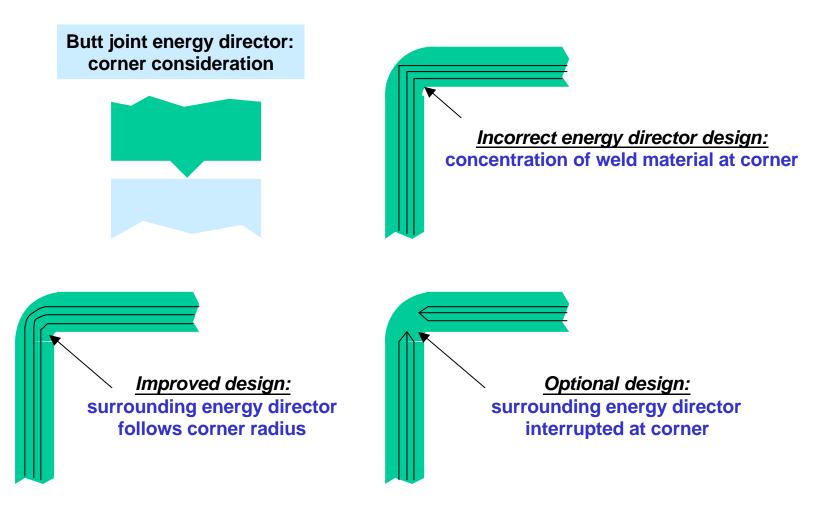


Typical energy director dimensions(millimeters)

|      | Amorphous polymer |            | Semi-crystalline polymer |            |
|------|-------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|
| Dim. | Small part        | Large part | Small part               | Large part |
| h    | 0.3 - 0.4         | 0.5 - 0.6  | 0.5 - 0.7                | 0.7 - 1.0  |
| q    | 60° to 90°        |            | 90°                      |            |



#### **Ultrasonic Welding**





### **Ultrasonic Welding**

General Guidelines on the Compatibility of Various Thermoplastics for Ultrasonic Assembly

| Material              | Notation | Complete compatibility | Partial compatibility |
|-----------------------|----------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| ABS                   | Α        | A,B,D                  | Т                     |
| PC/ABS alloy          | В        | A,B,K                  | D                     |
| Acetal                | С        | С                      |                       |
| Acrylic               | D        | A,D                    | B,E,J,K,T             |
| Acrylic Multipolymer  | E        | E                      | A,D,Q,T               |
| Cellulosics           | F        | F                      |                       |
| Fluoropolymer         | G        | G                      |                       |
| Nylon                 | Н        | н                      |                       |
| Polyphenylene oxide   | I        | I,Q                    | D,K,T                 |
| Polyamide-imide       | J        | J                      |                       |
| PC                    | K        | B,K                    | D,I,R                 |
| Polyester             | L        | L                      |                       |
| Polyethylene          | M        | M                      |                       |
| Polymethylpentane     | N        | N                      |                       |
| Polyphenylene sulfide | 0        | 0                      |                       |
| PP                    | P        | Р                      |                       |
| PS                    | Q        | I,Q                    | E,T                   |
| Polysulfone           | R        | R                      | K                     |
| PVC                   | S        | S                      |                       |
| SAN                   | Т        | Т                      | A,D,E,I,Q             |



### **Processing Guide**

|                | 2.0mm 1.2mm |               | 1.2mm      |
|----------------|-------------|---------------|------------|
| Injection Time | > 2.0 sec   | 0.6 ~ 2.0 sec | < 0.5sec   |
| Cycle Time     | 40 ~ 60 sec | 20 ~ 40 sec   | 6 ~ 20 sec |

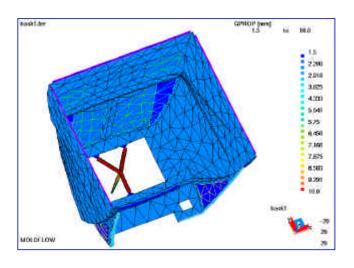
Pre-drying of Resin Dryer (dew point : -29 ~ -40 °C)

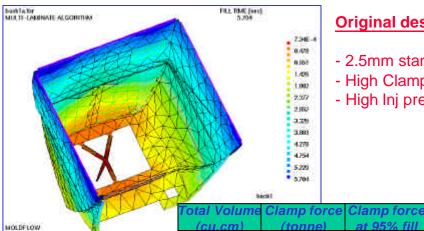
**Mold Tooling** 

Complete Gas vent
Many larger eject pin
Use Sleeve or Blade type eject Pin
Use Non-looping Cooling line
Use Support pillar
Strong & Thick mold structure



#### **Mold Filling Analysis (CAE) Example: 17" Monitor Rear cabinet STAREX ABS VE-0856**





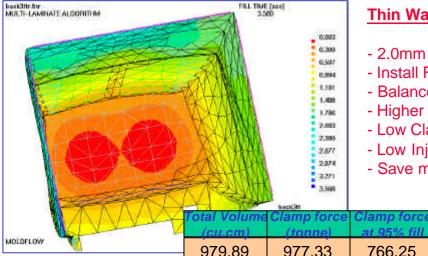
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#### **Original design**

- 2.5mm standard thickness
- High Clamp force
- High Inj pressure

|   | GPROP Jan          | to 3.0                |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|
|   | Too leads          | 1.625<br>e: th: 2.5mm |
|   | Vanys              | E-13                  |
| MINN IV   | minute: 2.0mm      | 1,075                 |
| UM LXTAN  | backside th 12.4nm | 2.0                   |
| TIMA I YEA  |                    | 2,125                 |
|   | - VAIXIM           | 2.25                  |
| THE COLUMN |                    | 2.375                 |
| MILLIAM .   | 2 hot runner gates | 25                    |
| MOST -  | TARVA              | 2,625                 |
| MINIMA  | XXX                | 2/3                   |
|   |                    | 2.875                 |
| MINIS   |                    | 3,0                   |
|   |                    | veck3H<br>y<br>y      |



#### Thin Wall design

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- 2.0mm standard thickness

Inj. Pressure

134.4

- Install Flow leader
- Balanced Flow pattern
- Higher Injection Speed
- Low Clamp force
- Low Inj pressure
- Save materials

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(Mna)

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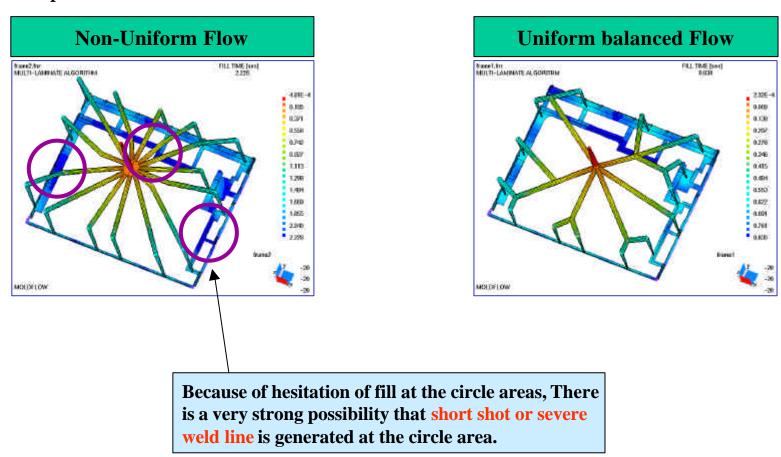


### **Mold Filling Analysis (CAE)**

#### **Example: TFTLCD Mold frame**

**STAROY PC LB-1020W** 

- Most of TFTLCD mold frame have severe change of thickness in cavity and the basic thickness is very thin (0.5mm ~ 1.0mm). Therefore, surely the check of flow pattern with CAE simulation is needed to prevent short shot or severe weld line.



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