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The E-Thread® Company

E-Thread™ technology:
a revolutionary toolkit to embed
electronics at the heart of
everyday objects

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Vision & Mission

Our Vision: Connect every day objects to the IOT

Our Mission: Enable new value creation & use thru
embedded E-Thread™ devices

Our unique solution: *The E-Thread™* Yarn

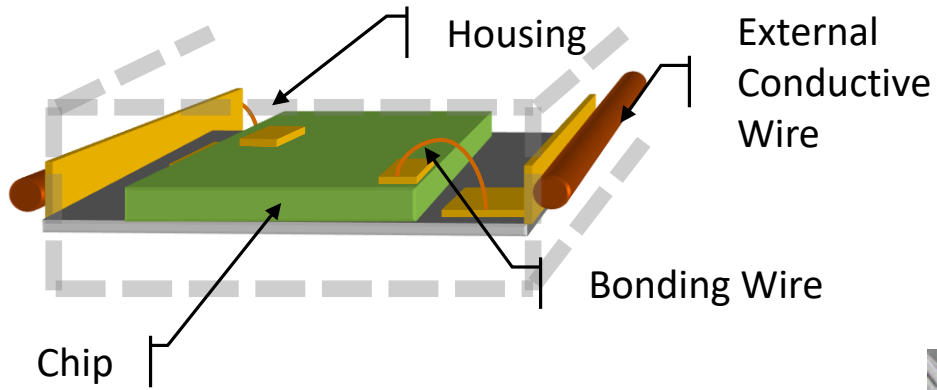


- Electronics embedded into a textile yarn, in a unique form factor.
- Easy to integrate into garments, and plastics objects
- Invisible, inseparable, durable
- Fits any shape & surface



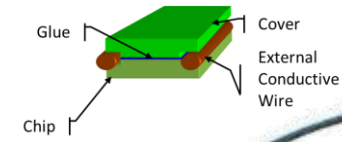
A technology from
the CEA-Leti,
Strongly protected
by 15 international
patents

A disruptive packaging technology

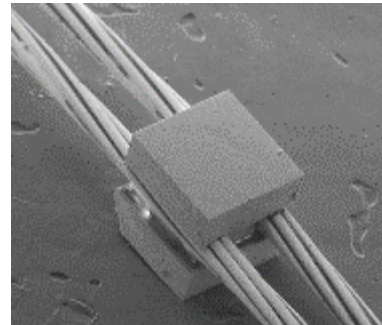


Classical Chip Packaging

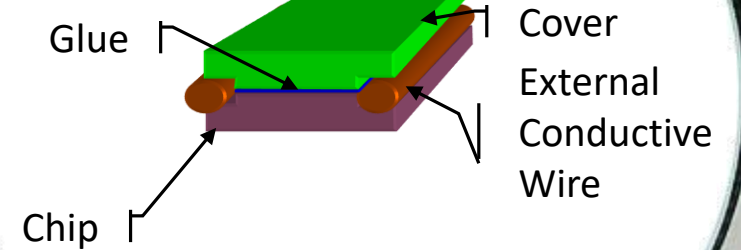
10X size reduction



E-Thread™ Chip Packaging



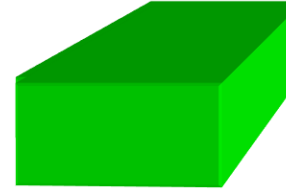
Metal antennas connected on E-Thread™ Chip



E-Thread™ concept

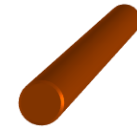
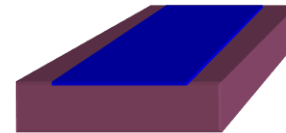
Components

Cover Wafer
Active Wafer
Wires

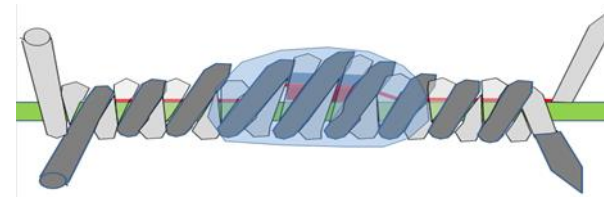


Process steps

Etching
Polymer deposition
Bonding
Conductive wire insertion



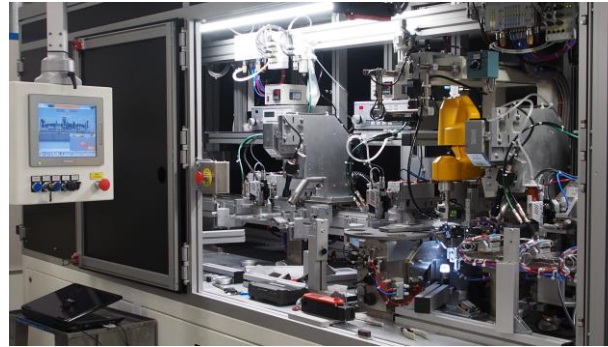
Textile yarn wrapping



A competitive and scalable industrial model



Semiconductor processing

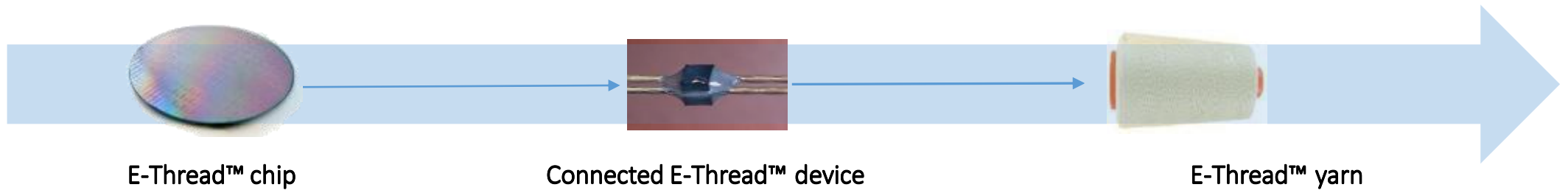


Assembly line



Spinning process

Key steps



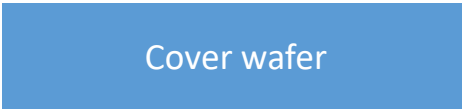
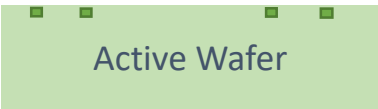
Partners



E-Thread™ wafer level process



Front-end wafer

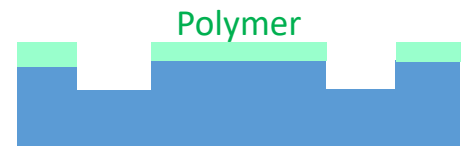


Bare Si wafer

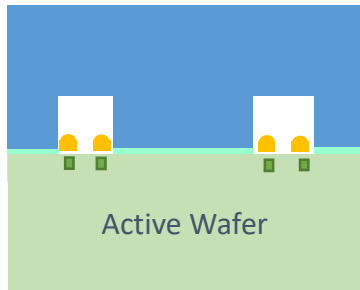
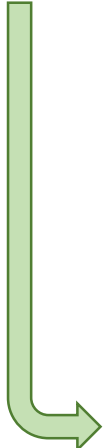
Bumping



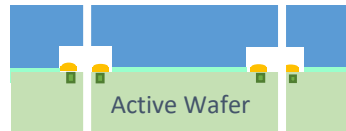
Deep etching



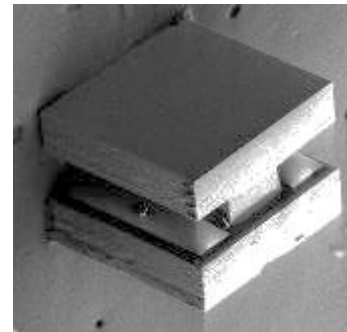
Polymer dep



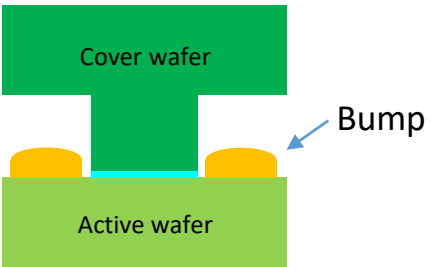
Alignment & Wafers bonding



Grinding & Dicing



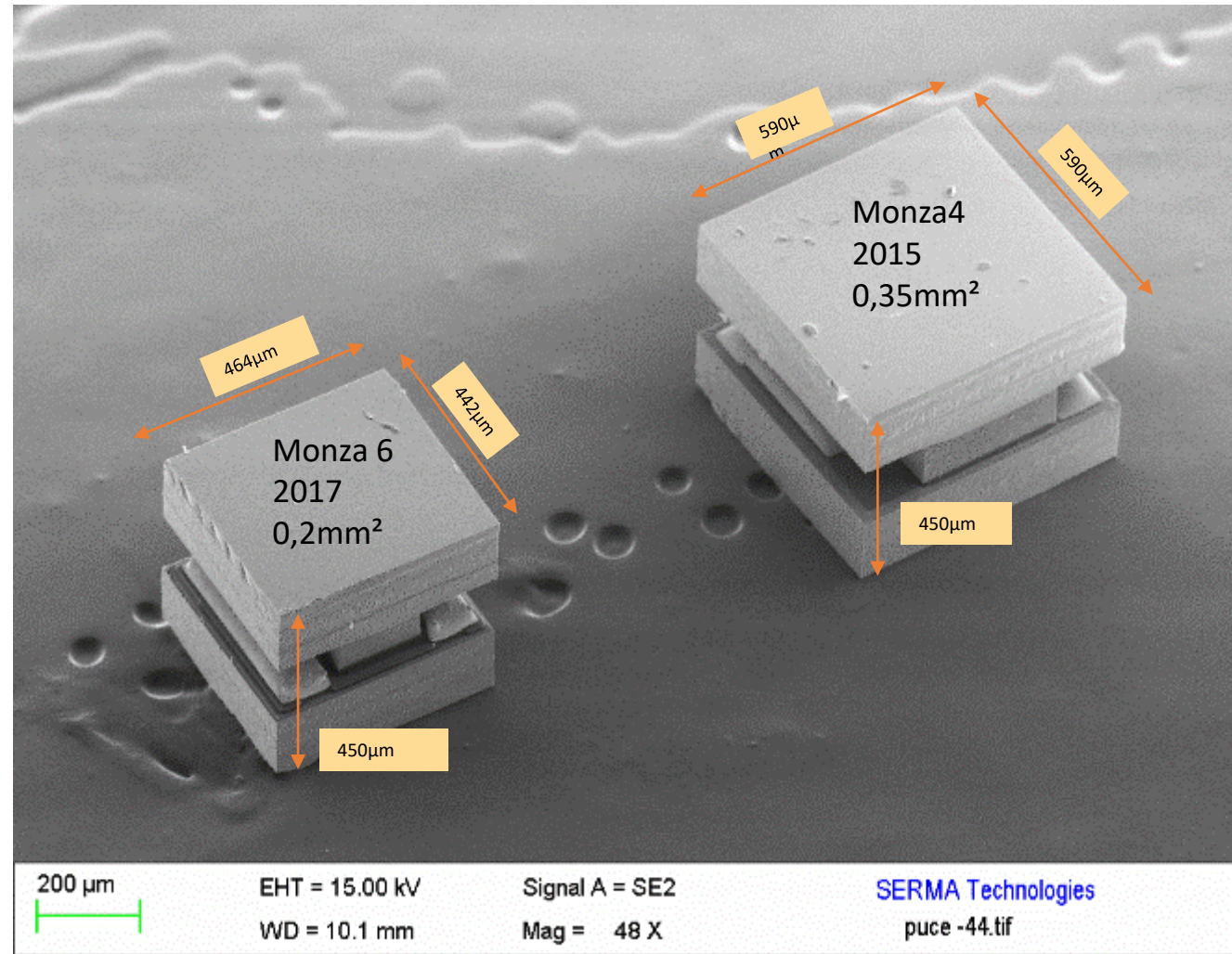
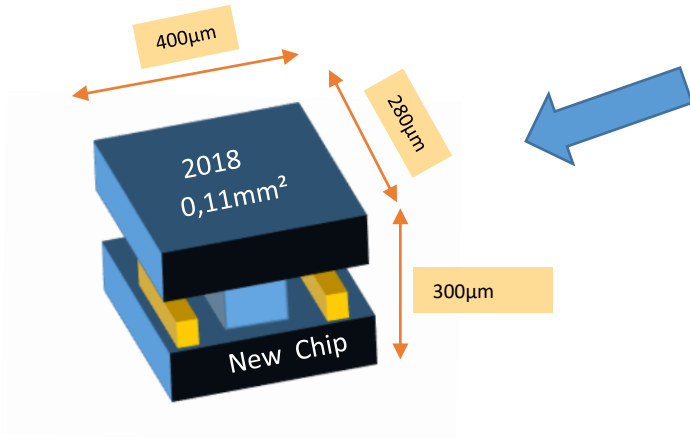
E-Thread™ chip



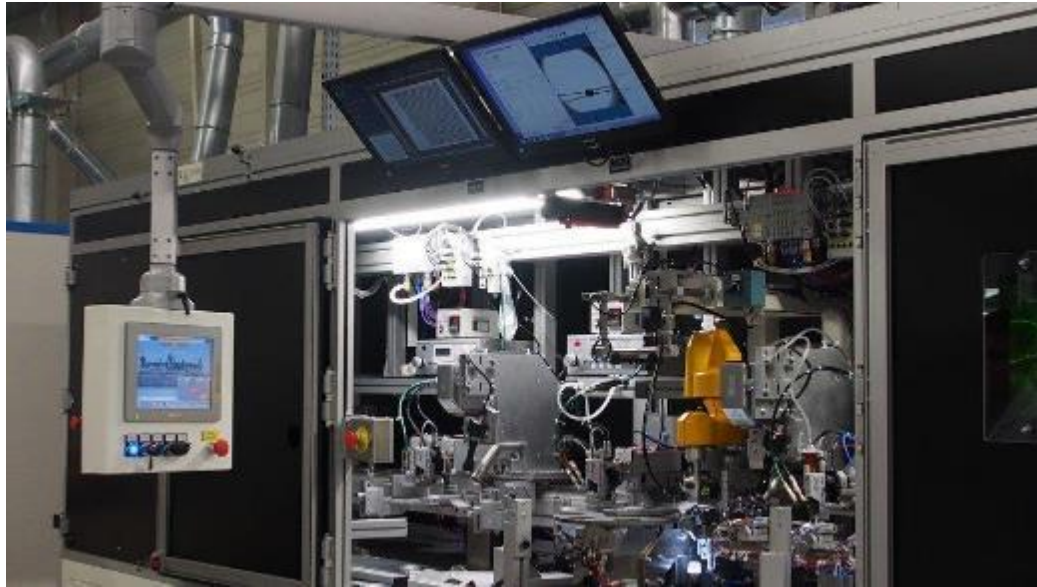
*Standard MEMS & Back-end process
Done in CEA Leti facilities & Industrial Partners.*

E-Thread™ Chip Downsizing Evolution

Last Generation of E-Thread™ die under development. Based on new RFID chip. 1st samples Q4 2018



E-Thread™ Assembly Process

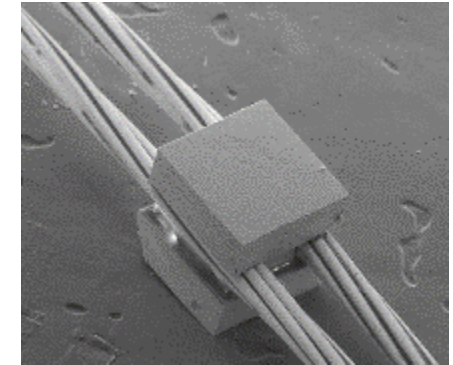


Roll to roll fully automated process to ensure product quality and repeatability

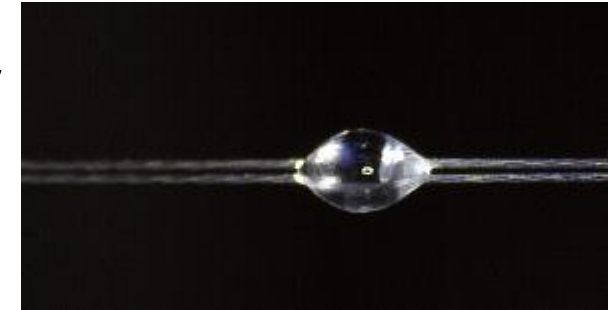
Proprietary equipment design

Proprietary information

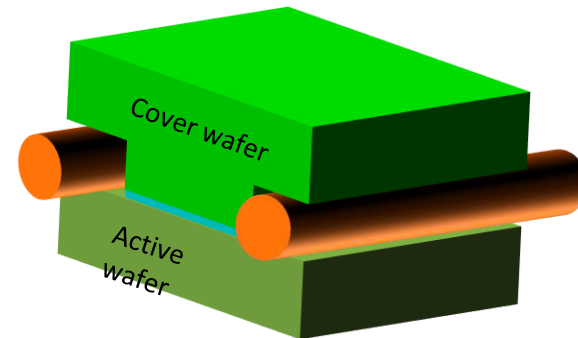
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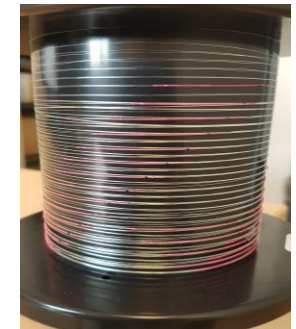
Wire to chip connexion



Epoxy encapsulation



Connected E-Thread™ device



Spool conditioning

E-Thread™ yarn wrapping process



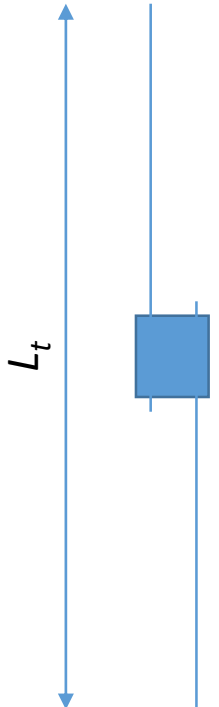
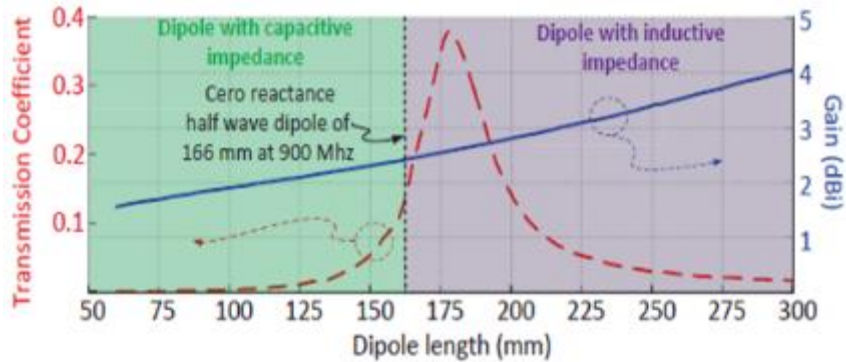
*Conventional yarn
spinning process
Done at textile partners*



Spool conditioning
E-Thread™ Yarn

Antenna geometry and performance

Dipole Geometry



Limited Bandwidth

A unique impedance tuning parameter : L_t

➔ Medium read range

➔ Performance sensitive to environment .
(other tags, waves propagation material)

Adaptation stub Geometry

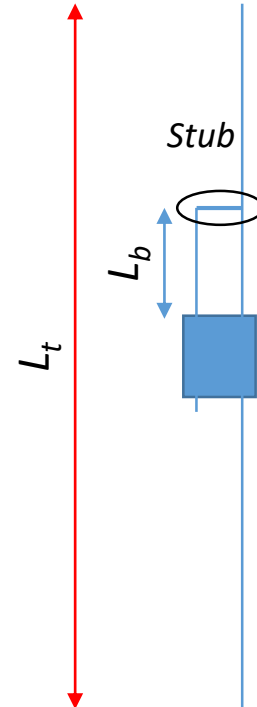
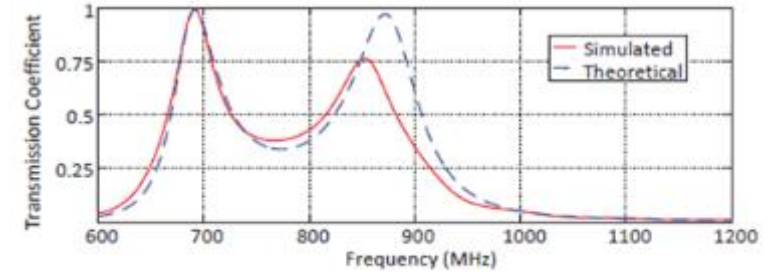


Fig. 5. Comparison of theoretical and simulated power transmission coefficient of stub matched antenna and RFID chip.

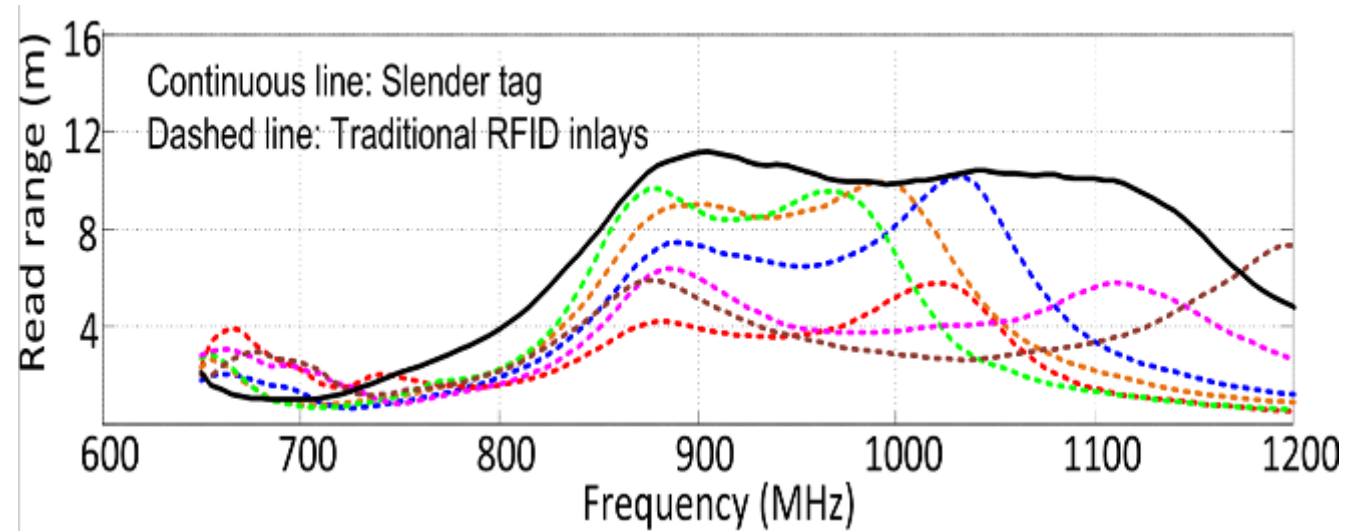
Wide Bandwidth

2 impedance adaptation parameters : L_t , L_b

➔ higher read range

➔ Reduced environment sensitivity

E-Thread™ Technology for every day objects...



An innovative packaging method to integrate the RFID UHF tags inside a variety of objects;
Such as garments, polymer parts, shoes, twines & cables...

The RFID Yarn presents higher read range in a wideband frequency range compared to traditional RFID inlays

More than RFID... passive RFID sensors



***RFID Temperature sensor integrated
in a yarn***

Length: 13 cm

Accuracy: 0,5°C

Energy: No power supply (Passive device)

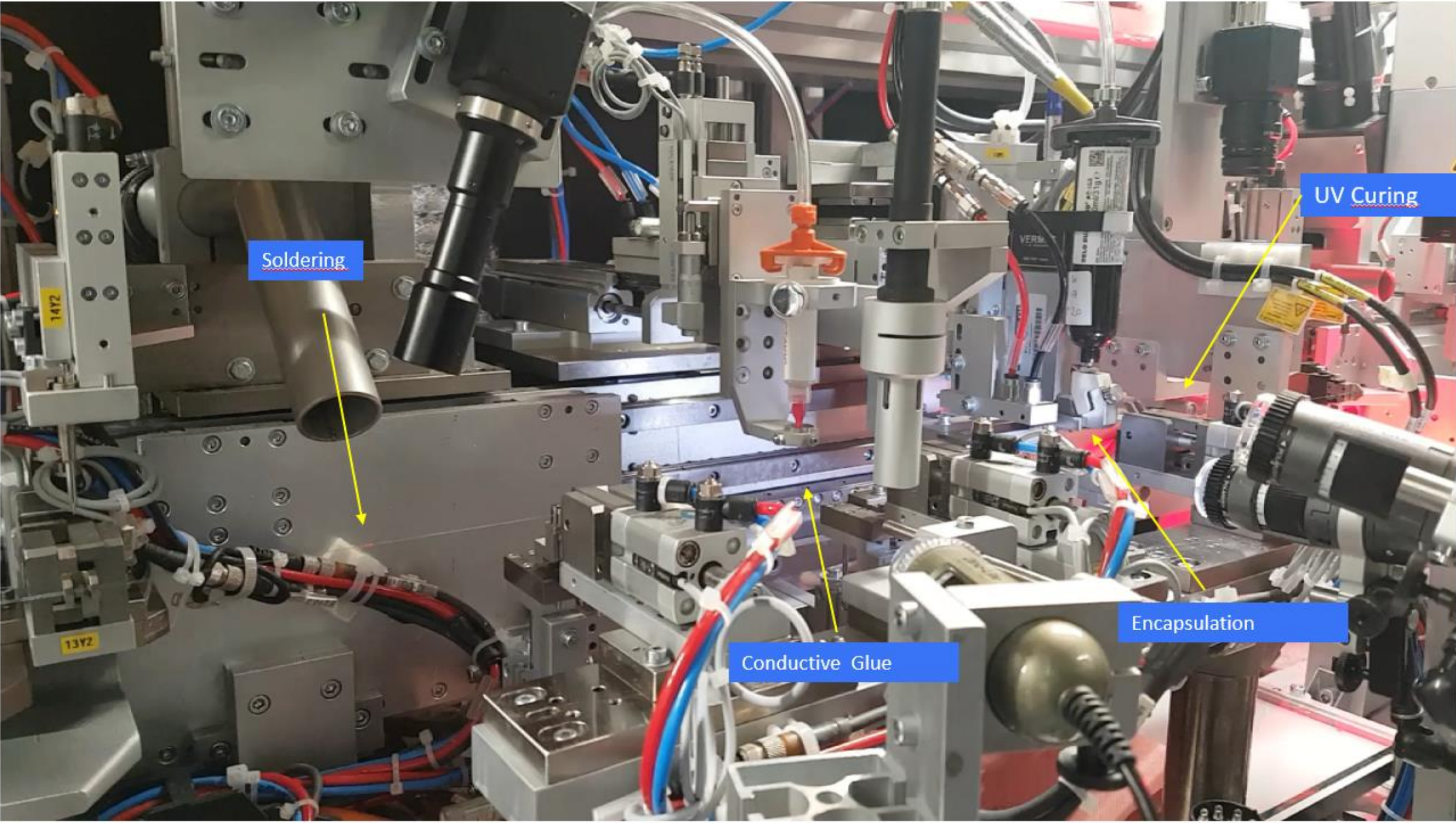
Typical read range: 5 meters

Soldering

UV Curing

Conductive Glue

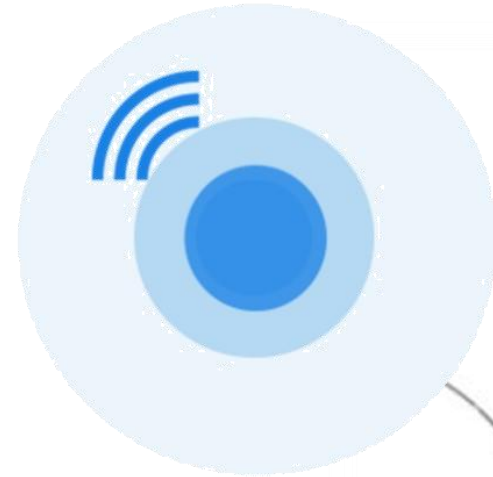
Encapsulation



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