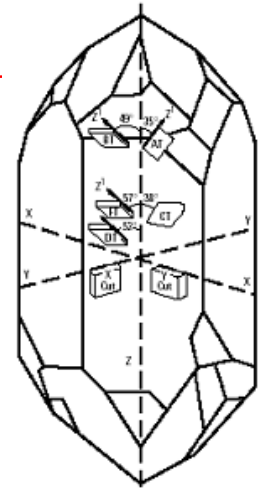

Integration of SAW and BAW Technologies for Oscillator Applications



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Some Interesting Thoughts

* Conventional Crystal Technology and not FBAR as in-

	Ceramic	SAW	BAW
Size	Large	Small	Small
Selectivity	Worst	Best	Good
Power handling	Best	Fair	Good
Integration potential	No	Multi-Chip modules	System on chip-full integration possible
Manufacturability	Mature	Mature	In progress

Unaxis

- **BAW or SAW: Two “schools” of trainings, two types of companies, ...**

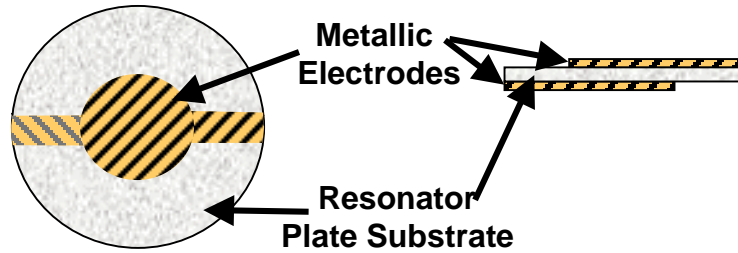
General Understanding

BAW: quartz exclusively, temperature stable and low frequency.

SAW: quartz, LiNbO₃, LiTaO₃, ... high frequency and temperature not as stable

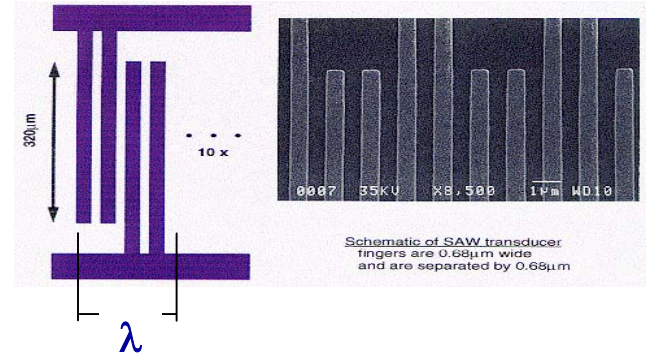
- **In general, BAW folks don't know SAW, SAW folks don't know BAW, ...**
- **In general, IC folks else don't know much about BAW and SAW, ...**
- **TriQuint's acquisition of SAWTEK (SAW)**
ICS's acquisition of MicroNetwork/Andersen Labs (SAW)
Pericom's acquisition of SaRonix (BAW)

BAW or SAW



$$f_n = \frac{n}{2t} \sqrt{\frac{c}{\rho}}$$

f_n resonance freq
n odd integers
c stiffness coefficient
ρ density
t thickness



Frequency (f) = Velocity (V) * Wavelength (λ)

BAW and SAW Cuts

BAW Angles (, ,)

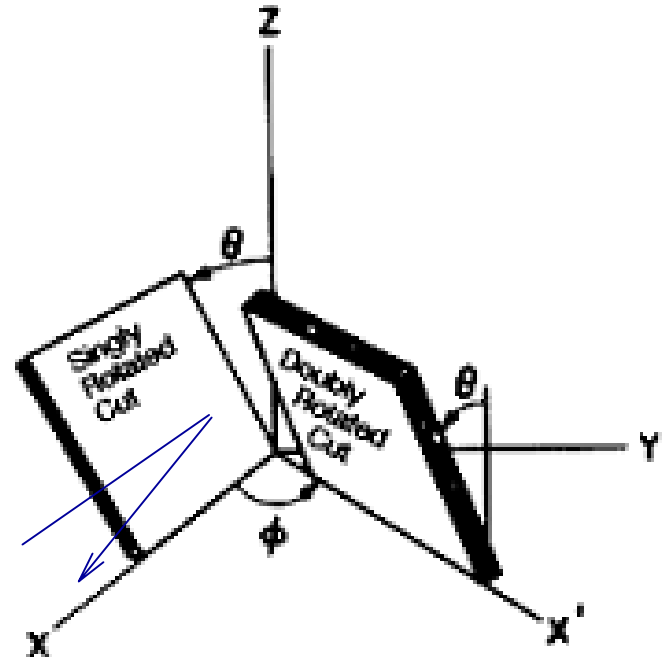
AT-cut is typically with θ of $\sim 35.25^\circ$
 SC-cut is typically with θ of 33.93° and ϕ of 21.93°

SAW Euler Angles (, μ ,)

ST-cut quartz has Euler Angles $(0^\circ, 132.75^\circ, 0^\circ)$
 XY112 LiTaO3 has Euler Angles $(90^\circ, 90^\circ, 112^\circ)$

$$\mu = \text{[]} + 90^\circ$$

$$= -$$



Frequency Control Products

BAW-based (<MHz ~ 200 MHz)

Passives-

Tuning Fork and Crystal Resonator

MCF

CXO

Oscillators-

VCXO (Voltage-Controlled)

TCXO (Temp. Compensated)

OCXO (Oven-Controlled)

SAW-based (<50 MHz ~ 5 GHz)

SAWR

SAWF

CSO

VCSO

TCSO?

OCSO?

Where BAW and SAW May Meet to Provide the Performance

Timing Modules-

Clock Data Recovery (CDR)

Clock Smoother (CS)

Frequency Translator (FX)

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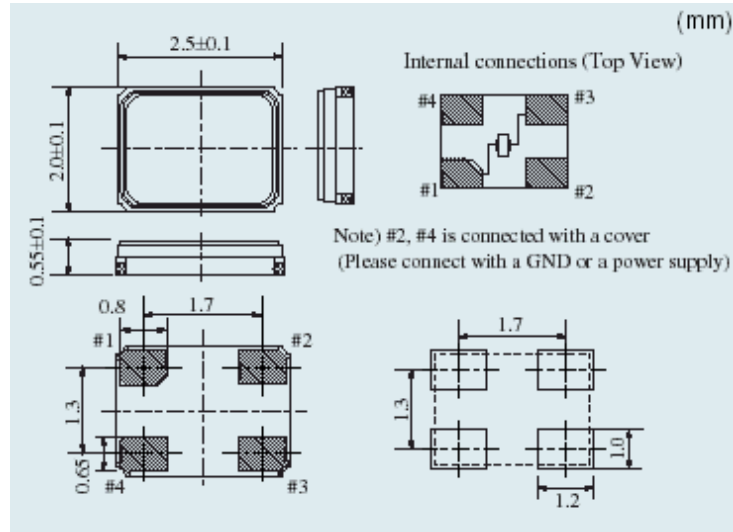
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Clock Smoother (CS)

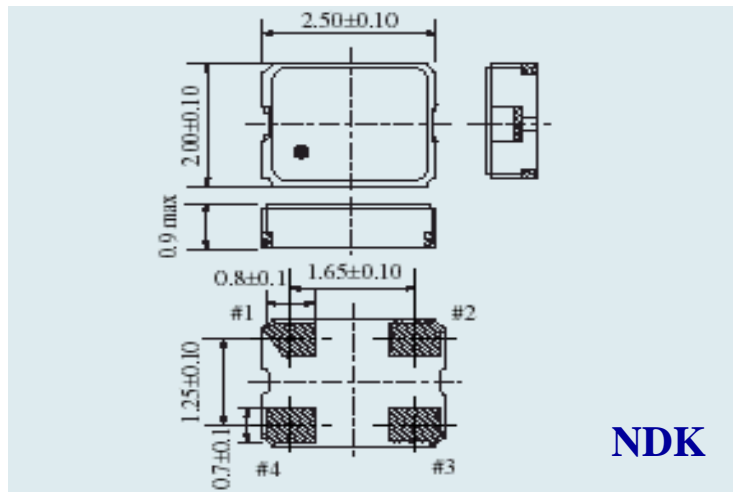
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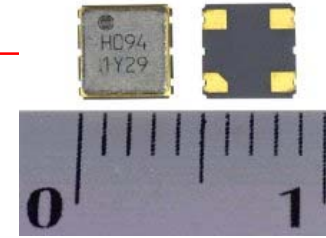
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Smallest Crystal- $2.5 \times 2 \text{mm}^2$
($2 \times 1.6 \text{mm}^2$ is coming?)



Smallest CXO- $2.5 \times 2 \text{mm}^2$
Under Development

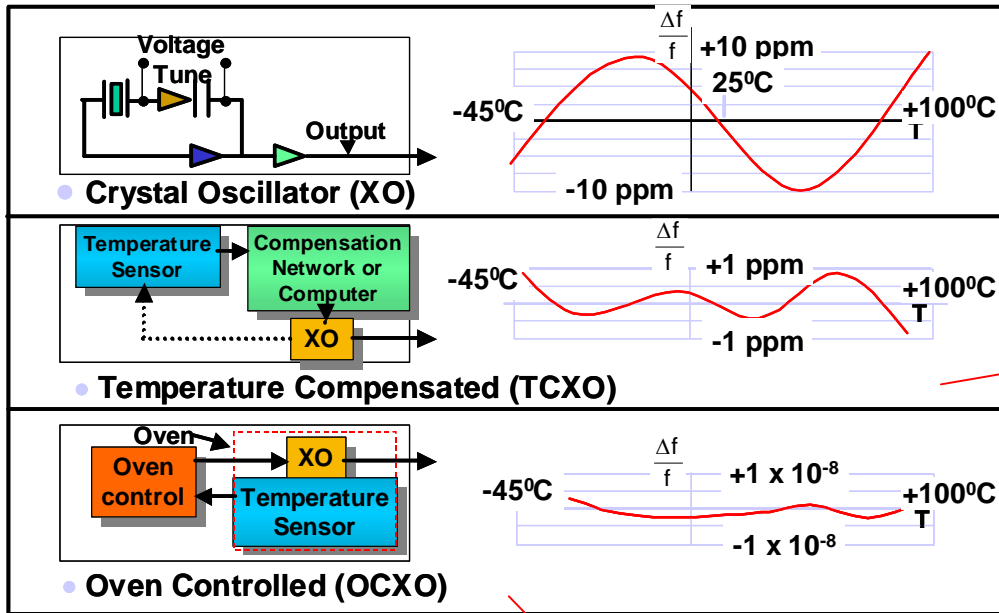




60 to 200 MHz Inverted Mesa Quartz Resonators

No.	Parameters	Requirements
1	Nominal frequency	60 to 200 MHz
2	Mode of vibration	AT-Cut fundamental
3	Package type	SMD package (3.8x3.8x1.0mm ³)
4	Load capacitance	Series
5	Drive level	100 μ W max
6	Frequency tolerance	± 30.0 ppm (at 25 ± 3 °C)
7	Operating Temp. range	0 to 85 °C
8	Resonance resistance	30 Ohms max
9	Motional capacitance(C1)	TBD (4 to 7 fF)
10	Re-flow soldering	± 5 ppm max (260 °C peak)
11	Frequency stability	± 15 ppm (Operating Temp. Range, Ref. 25 °C)
12	Frequency Discontinuities	± 2 ppm/°C max (Frequency Perturbation)
13	Aging	± 10 ppm/20years (25 ± 3 °C)

BAW Development- More Stable



Smaller- 2.5x2 mm²
(TEW)



Smaller- 20.8x13.2x7.6
mm³ (VI's EMXO)
Evacuated.

Evacuated Miniature SAW (EMSO) Preliminary

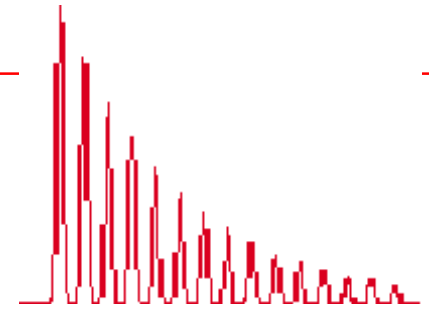
ES-380 Series

- Frequency: 600 MHz to 1 GHz
- Supply: +3.3, or +5Vdc
- Outputs: Sine
- Temp Stability: ±5 ppm -40° to +85°
- Package: 13.2 x 20.8 x 7.6 mm
- Screening: Up to Class B

SAW Development- History

	<i>Segments</i>	<i>Frequency Range</i>	<i>ASP (US\$)</i>	<i>Leaders</i>
60's on	Conventional high-loss TV-IF SAWFs incl. 480 MHz for digital satellite broadcast, etc.- 1st Wave	30 to 50 MHz	0.2~0.5	MuRata, Hitachi, Epcos, et al.
70's on	SAWRs for remote control, keyless entry, etc.- 1.5 Wave	300 MHz to 1 GHz	0.3~0.8	RFM, Epcos, et al.
70's on	Medium to high-loss IF SAWFs for general IF filtering, VSAT, basestations, repeaters, routers, GPS, etc.	100 to 600 MHz	1.5~50	Epcos, SAWTEK, VI, ICS, Temex, et al.
70's on	SAW oscillators for frequency sources, computer servers, IFF, telecom equipment, etc.	100 MHz to 1.1 GHz	3~300	ICS, SAWTEK, Epson, et al.
80's on	SAWFs for clock and data recovery applications, etc.	100 MHz to 2.5 GHz	5~100	Hitachi, VI, et al.
90's on	Low-loss IF and RF SAWFs for mobile phones, cordless phones, WLAN cards, handheld GPS Rx, etc.- 2nd Wave	50 MHz to 5 GHz	0.2~1.0	Epcos, Fujitsu, SAWTEK, MuRata, Temex, VI, et al.
Mid 90's on	VCSOs for telecom equipment, etc.	150 MHz to 2.5 GHz	20~300	VI, ICS, Epson, SAWTEK, et al.
Y2K on	3rd Wave? Application will have to be closely related to daily living like TVs (1st Wave) and cell phones (2nd Wave).			

SAW Development- Selecting SAW Substrates



V_f (m/s)

SAW Velocity

k^2

Electromechanical Coupling Constant ($k^2 = -(\Delta v/v)$)

TCD (ppm/ $^{\circ}$ C)

Temp. Coefficient of Delay (TCF = 1/TCD)

PFA ($^{\circ}$)

Power Flow Angle

Leakage (dB/ λ)

For LSAW and HVPSAW

Penetration Depth ($x\lambda$)

SAW Development- SAW Substrates

Established (3''~4'')

Quartz (SiO₂)

Lithium Niobate (LiNbO₃)

Lithium Tantalate (LiTaO₃)

Lithium Tetraborate (Li₂B₄O₇)

ZnO/Glass

Available but either Limited Supply or Not Widely Used (2~4'')

Bismuth Germanium Oxide (Bi₁₂GeO₂₀)

Langasite (La₃Ga₅SiO₁₄)

ZnO/Diamond

Gallium Phosphate (GaPO₄)

At R&D Stage

Potassium Niobate (KNbO₃)

ZnO/Sapphire

AlN/Sapphire

SiO₂/LiNbO₃

Others

SAW Development- Smaller

World's Smallest CSP RF SAW Filter

1.6 x 1.4 x 0.6 mm³

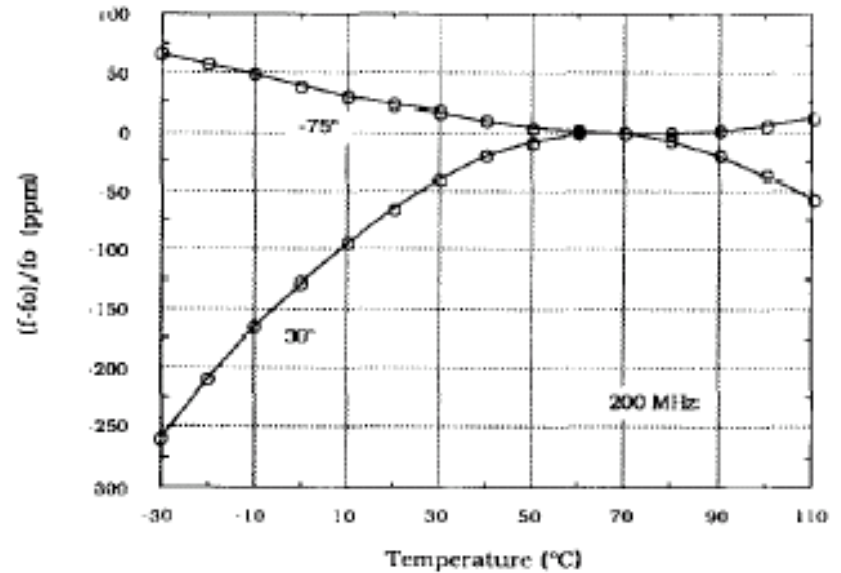


Kyocera 9/2003

Type	PCS Rx SF16-1960M5UB01	Cellular Rx SF16-0881M5UB01	GPS Rx SF16-1575M5UB01
Center Frequency (MHz)	1960	881.5	1575.42
Insertion Loss (dB)	4.1	3.0	1.8
Ripple (dB)	2.0	1.5	0.7
VSWR	2.5	2.5	2.5
Rejection (dB)	DC-1850MHz 30	DC-824MHz 30	DC-1475MHz 30
	1850-1910MHz 15	824-849MHz 30	1475-1525MHz 10
	2040-2200MHz 25	915-960MHz 23	1625-1675MHz 10
	2200-2800MHz 30	960-3000MHz 40	1675-3155MHz 30
	2800-3400MHz 30		3155-6000MHz 20
	3400-6000MHz 20		
Amplitude Imbalance (dB)	+/- 1.0	+/- 1.85	+/- 2.0
Phase Imbalance (deg)	+/- 15	+/- 10	+/- 20
Impedance (ohms)	50 Unbalance Input // 100 Balance Output		

SAW Development- More Stable Cut

	ST-Cut	LST-Cut
Rotated Y-Cut (°)	42.75	~ -75
Velocity (m/s)	3158	3960
Coupling Constant (k ²)	0.0016	0.0011
Attenuation (dB/λ)	0	0.0026



Bell Labs 1989

SAW Development- CSO to Compete with CXO

SAW Oscillator with K-Cut of Quartz with Euler Angles (0°, 96.5°, 33.8°)

Epson's EG2001 (106~170 MHz).

5x7mm² ceramic package.

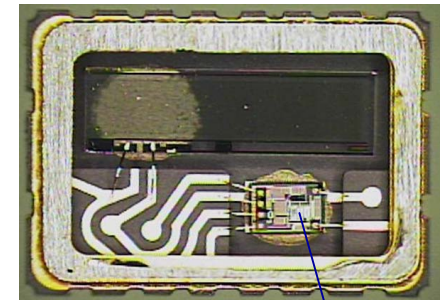
CMOS output.

106.25 to 170 MHz.

3ps period jitter.

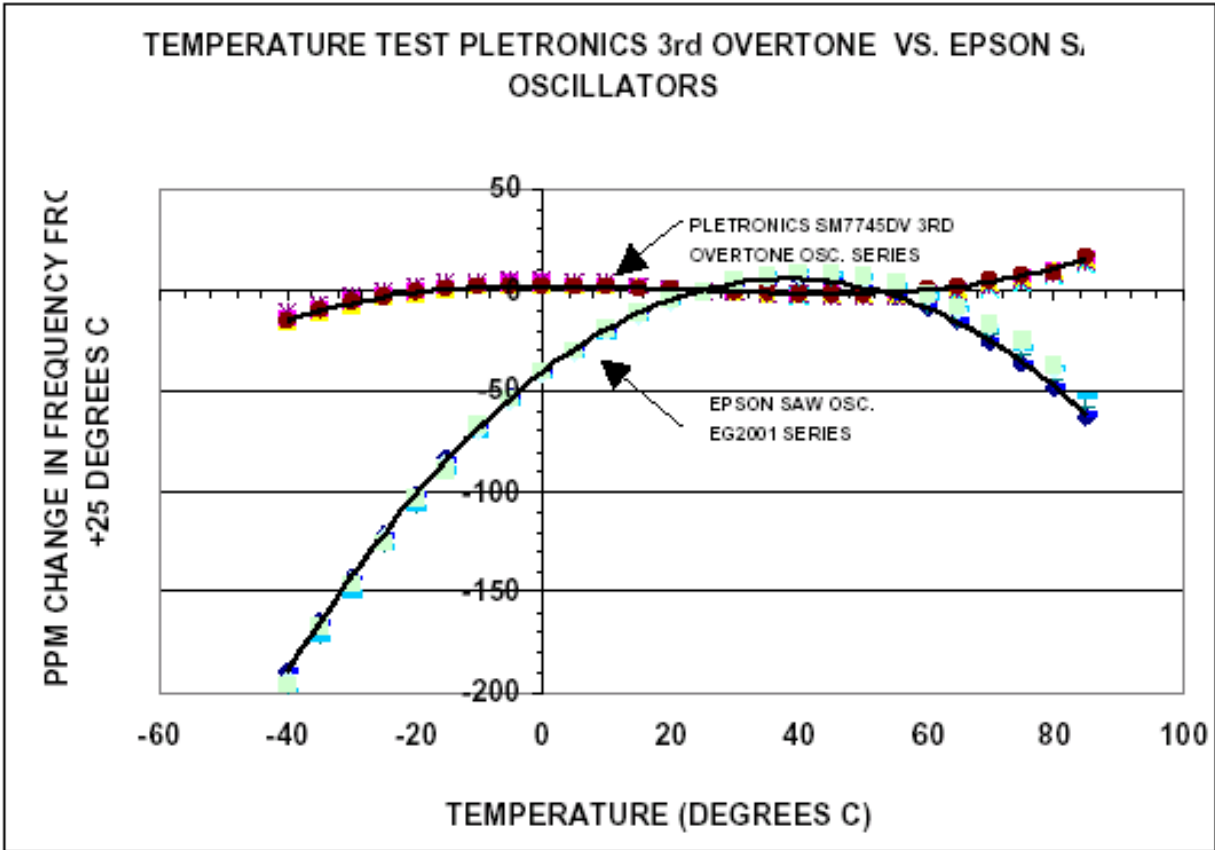
±100 ppm stability including 10 years aging.

Applications- Gigabit Ethernet, Fiber Channel, SONET/SDH.



NPC CXO IC

SAW Development- CSO Compared with CXO



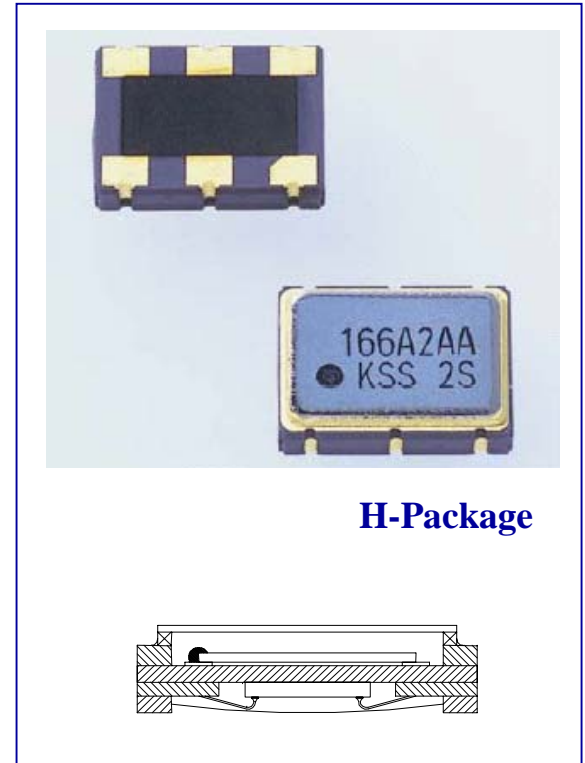
SAW Development- CSO to Compete with CXO

May, 2003

KSS's TSO-1 (LVPECL 50~300 MHz) and FSO-2 (CMOS 100~170 MHz).

5x7mm² ceramic package.

±100 ppm total stability (0 to 70 °C).



SAW Development- More Stable CSO

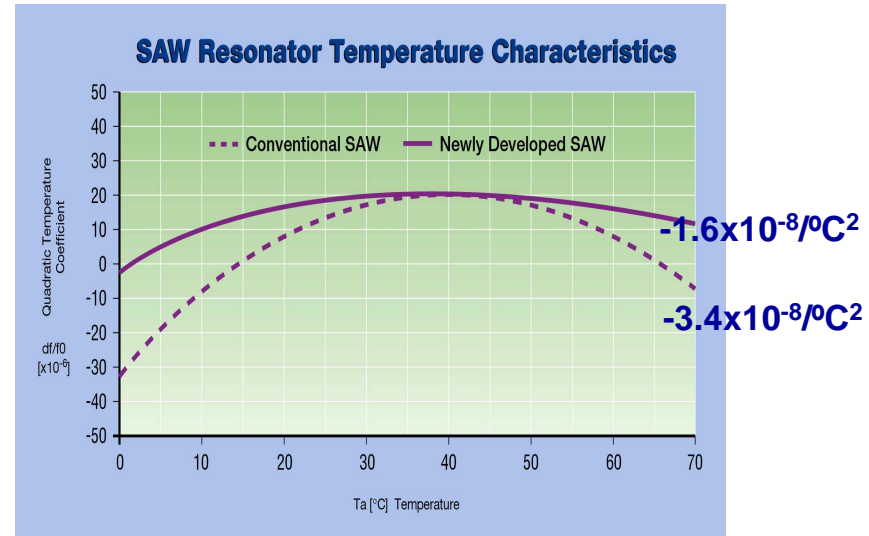


Size : 7x5x1.4 mm³

EG-2102CA

Low Jitter High Frequency SAW Oscillator

- Low jitter oscillator which adopted the direct oscillation
- Ceramic package with 1.4mm thickness
- Excellent shock resistance and environmental capability
- LVPECL output
- Provided with output enable function (OE)
- Frequency Range : 100.0000 to 700.0000 MHz
- APR : $\pm 100 \times 10^{-6}$
- Power : 3.3 ± 0.3 V

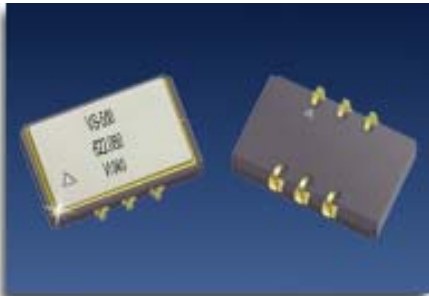


SAW Development- VCSO

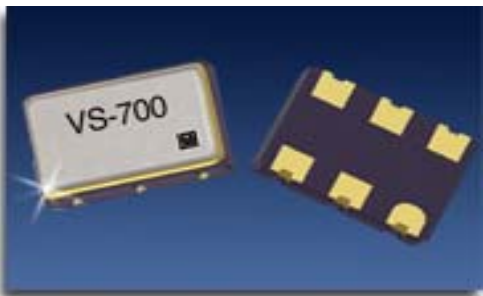
VI (Up to 800 MHz)



1993- 18.5x10.5 mm²



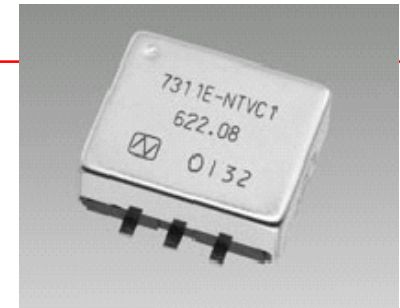
2000- 14x9x4.5 mm³



2003- 7x5x2 mm³

To Compete with VCXO

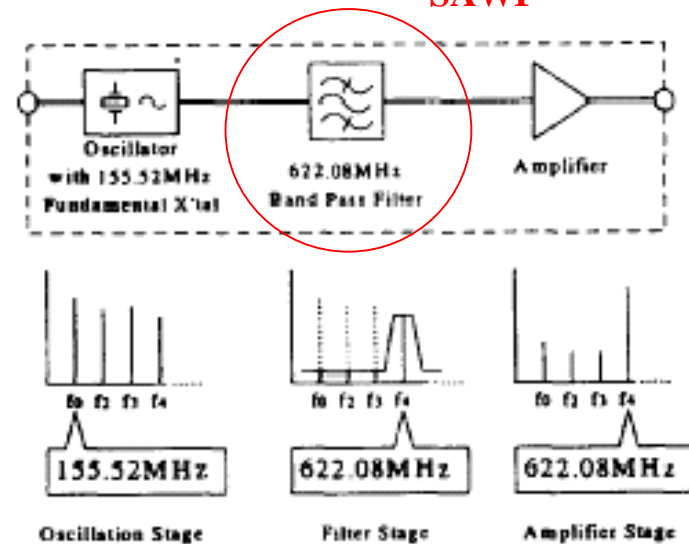
622 MHz VCXO with SAW Content



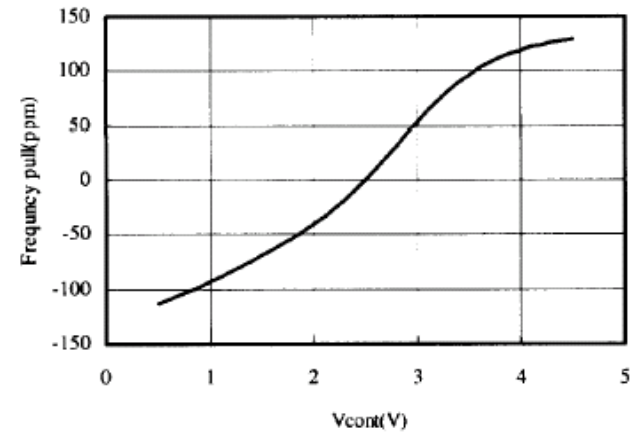
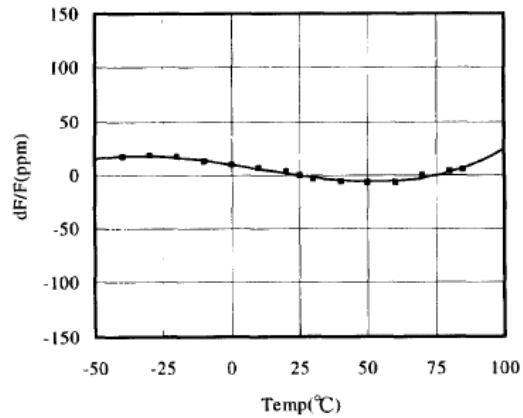
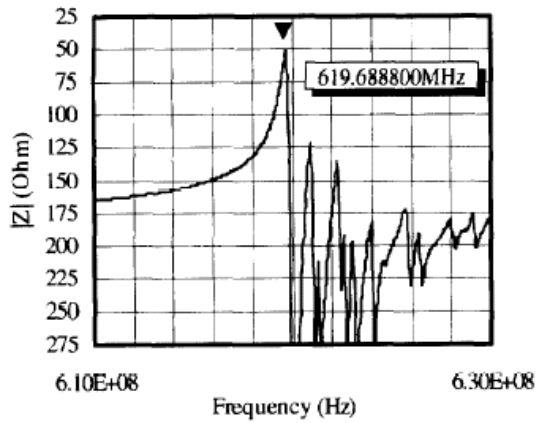
11.4x9.6x6.9 mm³ (NDK)

Item	Spec.
Nominal Frequency	622.08MHz
Supply Voltage	+3.3V
Control Voltage	+1.65±1.5V
Load	50ohm
Operating. Temp. Range	-10 to +70deg.C
Freq. Stability	±50ppm max.
Freq. Trim Range	±100ppm min.
Output Level	1mW min.
(Sub-) Harmonics	-20dB
Dimension	11.4x9.6x4.5mm
Jitter	16ps rms max.

SAWF



622 MHz VCXO Using 622 MHz HFF



Yamada et al. 2002

SAW Development- Diamond SAW based VCSO

Synergy 2001

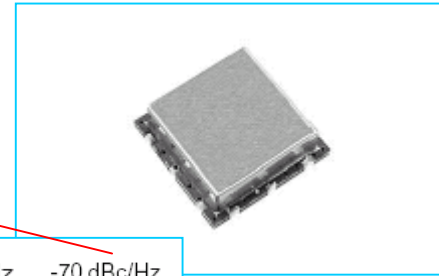
622.08 & 2488.32 MHz

0.625x0.625x0.25 in³

Tuning range ± 100 ppm

Power 5V

@ 100 Hz offset	-80 dBc/Hz	-70 dBc/Hz
@ 1 kHz offset	-110 dBc/Hz	-100 dBc/Hz
@ 10 kHz offset	-135 dBc/Hz	-122 dBc/Hz
@ 100 kHz offset	-155 dBc/Hz	-142 dBc/Hz
@ 300 kHz offset	-162 dBc/Hz	-155 dBc/Hz



Epson 2004

2~3 GHz (2488.32 MHz)

10.0x10.0x3.8 mm³

APR $\sim \pm 50$ ppm

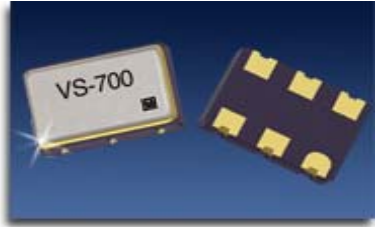
Power 3V



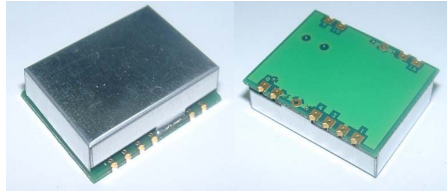
What the Market wants w.r.t. Oscillators?

<i>What?</i>	<i>Level?</i>	<i>BAW</i>	<i>SAW</i>
<i>Frequency</i>	Higher	Overtones, analog multiplier, inverted-mesa (HFF), FBAR, ...	STW, LSAW, HVPSAW, ...
<i>Activity Dip/Spurious</i>	Absence	Better crystal design tools, ...	N/A
<i>Drive Level Dependence</i>	Low	Cleaner process, ...	N/A
<i>Short Term Stability</i>	Better	Inverted-mesa, less components, cleaner process, ...	Less components, cleaner process, ...
<i>Long Term Stability</i>	Better	TCXO, OCXO, ...	TCSO? OCSO?
<i>Functions and Integration</i>	More	Synthesizing, programmable, multi-output, ...	
<i>Output and Power</i>	Lower	CMOS, LVPECL, LVDS, 3.3V, 2.5V, 1.8V, ...	
<i>Cost</i>	Lower	Lower materials/labor cost, plastic package, better yield, ...	
<i>Size</i>	Smaller	IC-based, novel packaging, LTCC, CSP, flipchip, ...	

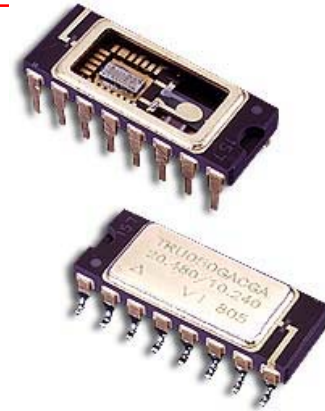
Packaging



**VI's VS-700
VCXO
w/ Bare SAW Delay Line**



**TXC's FX61
Frequency Translator
8 KHz In 77.76 MHz Out
w/ UM1 77.76 MHz Crystal**



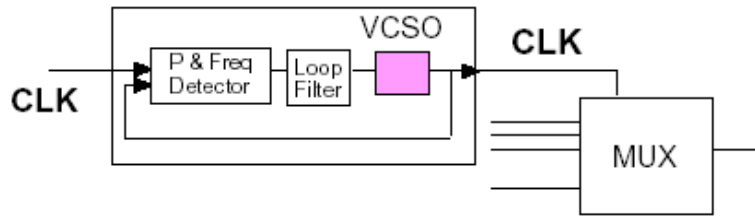
**VI's TRU-050
CDR/FX/CS
w/ Bare Crystal Resonator**



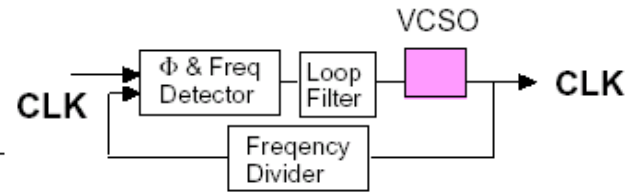
**Pericom's SCR-050
CDR/FX/CS
w/ VCXO**

The Basis of Most Clock Data Recovery (CDR)units, Clock Smoother (CS), Frequency Translator (FX), Timing Modules (TM), ...

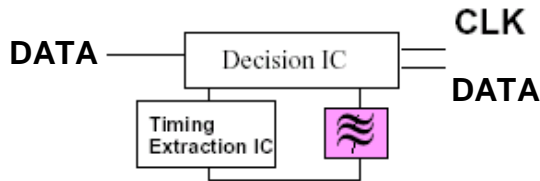
Clock Jitter Filter



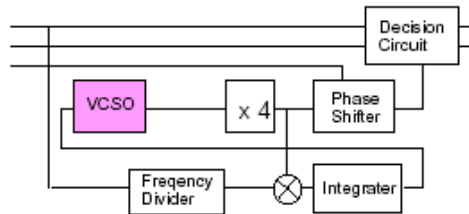
Frequency Translator



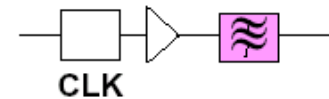
Clock Data Recovery using Retiming filter



Clock Data Recovery using PLL circuit



Clock Spurious cut

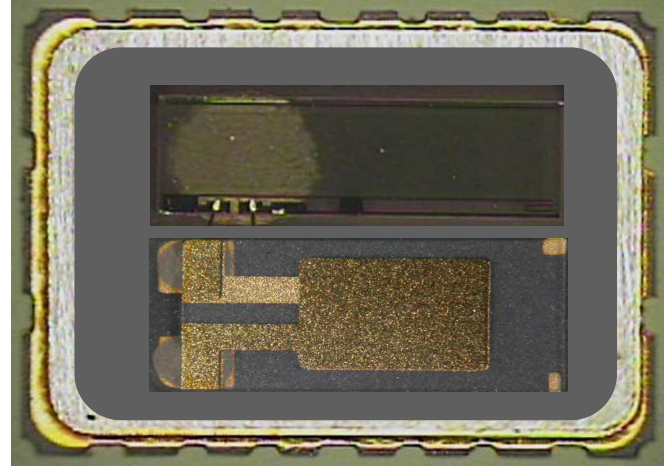


BAW and SAW Components in the Same Package

Possible application in frequency synthesizer-

BAW to provide the frequency source and SAW to provide the frequency output.

BAW and SAW components can be put in the same package and frequency trimmed with Au addition.*



*** “In-Situ Frequency Trimming of SAW Resonator Using Conventional Crystal Resonator Fine Tuning Method with Gold Thin film Addition,” 2003 Proc. IEEE Int’l Ultrasonics Symposium.**

Many inventions/discoveries happened by accident.

What was bad then may be very useful now.

What was impractical then may become very useful now.

Did we miss anything? May be it's time to slow down and look back.

Many Types of SAW- Some with BAW Content

Many inventions/discoveries happened by accident.

SAW

Rayleigh Wave

Lamb Wave

Love Wave

SSBW

STW

LSAW

PSAW

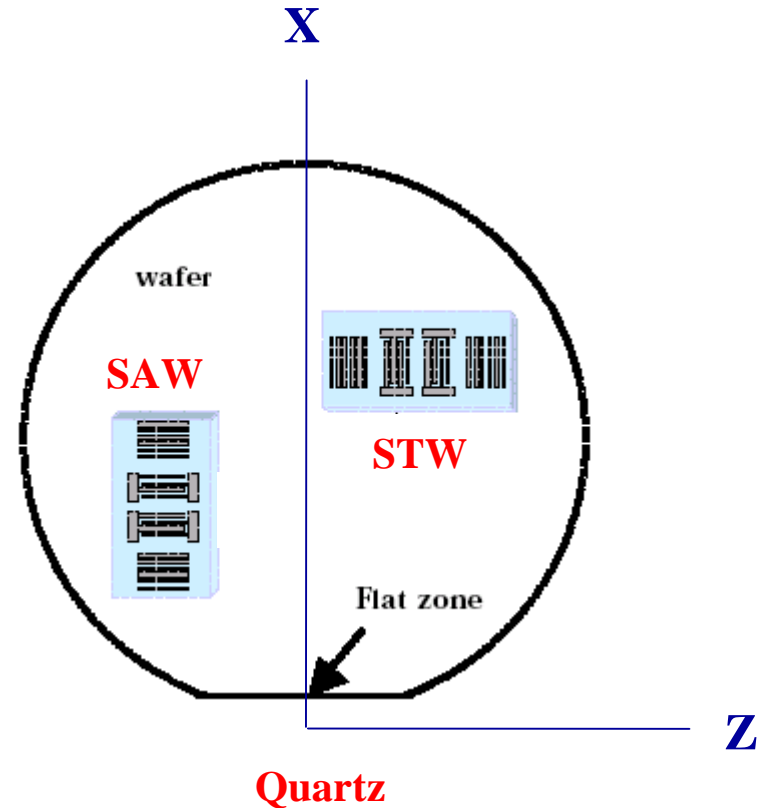
HVPSAW

BGS Wave

Stoneley Wave

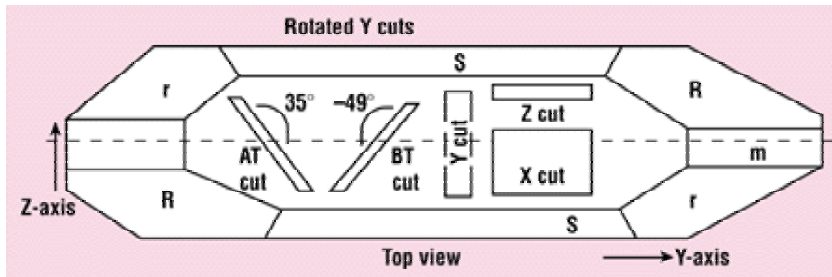
Sezawa Wave

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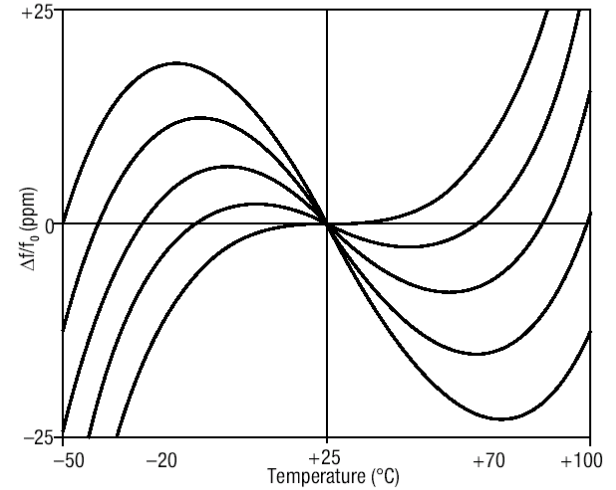


AT-Cut and BT-Cut Crystal Resonators

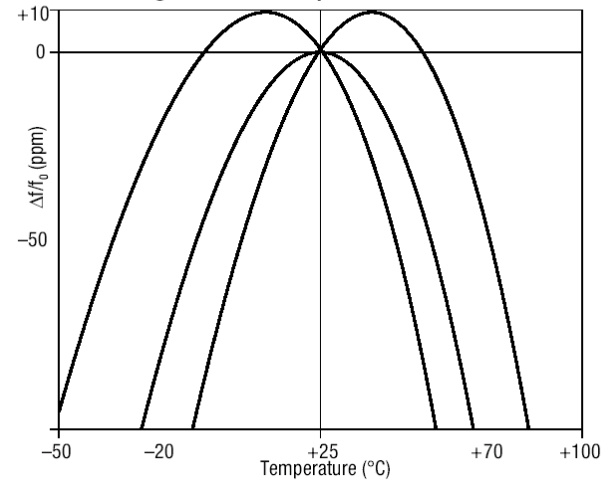
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Typical Frequency vs Temperature Curves for various angles of AT-cut crystals

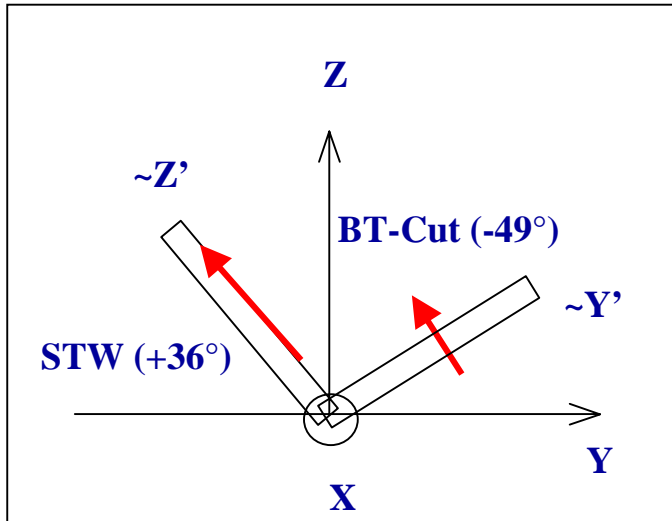


Typical Frequency vs Temperature Curves for various angles of BT-cut crystals



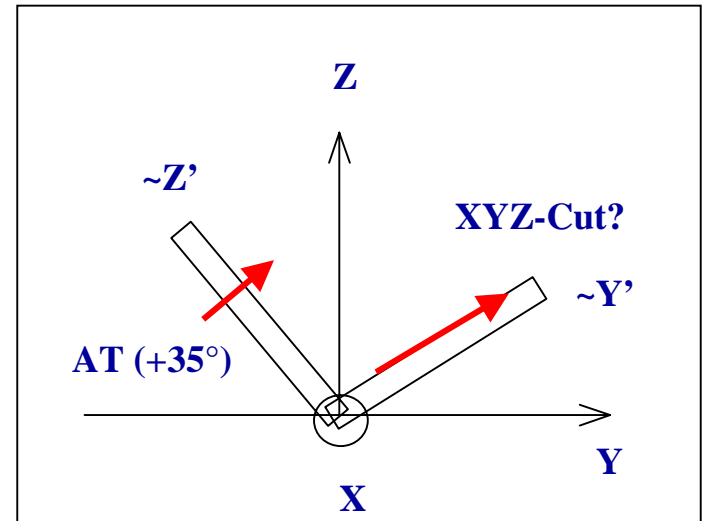
STW and BT-Cut Quartz Resonator

Did we miss anything? May be it's time to slow down and look back.



The diagram shows a 3D coordinate system with axes X, Y, and Z. The X-axis is horizontal, Y is vertical, and Z is diagonal. Two rotated axes, $\sim Z'$ and $\sim Y'$, are shown. $\sim Z'$ is at $+36^\circ$ from the X-axis, and $\sim Y'$ is at -49° from the Y-axis. Red arrows indicate wave propagation along $\sim Z'$ and $\sim Y'$. The labels "STW (+36°)" and "BT-Cut (-49°)" are placed near the respective axes.

Both STW and BT-Cut have-
 $\sim Z'$ direction wave propagations.
X direction particle motions.
Quadratic df/f vs T.

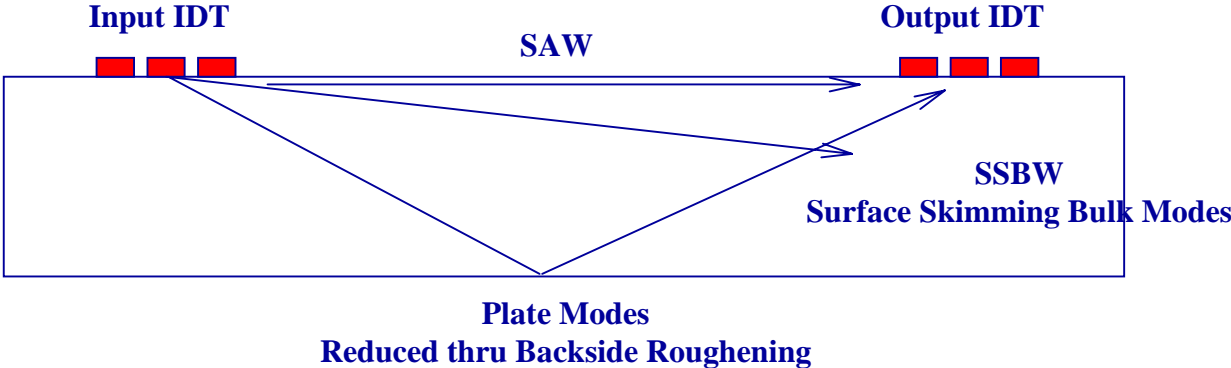


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AT-cut has Y' direction wave
propagation, X direction particle
motion, and cubic df/f vs T.
Is there a $\sim Y'$ direction propagating
SAW with predominating X direction
particle motion and cubic df/f vs T?
If not, why not?

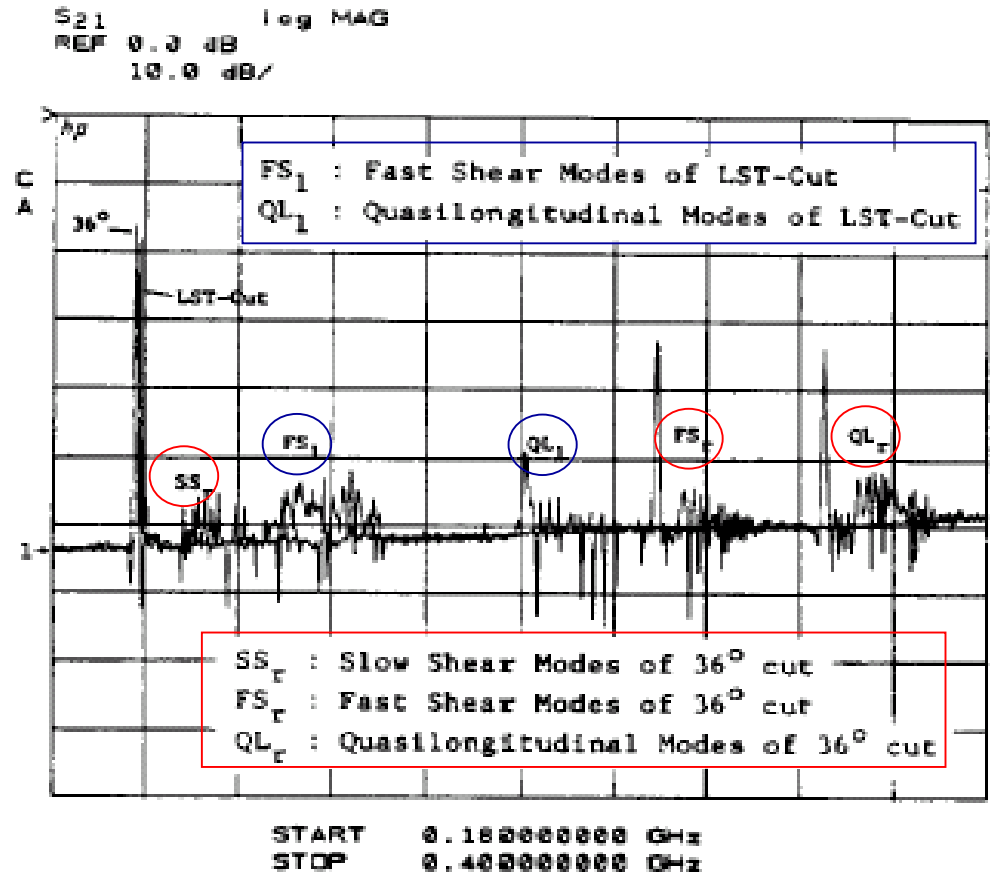
SAW/SSBW/Plate Modes

What was bad then may be very useful now.



SSBW and "Plate Modes" of ST- and LST-Cuts of Quartz

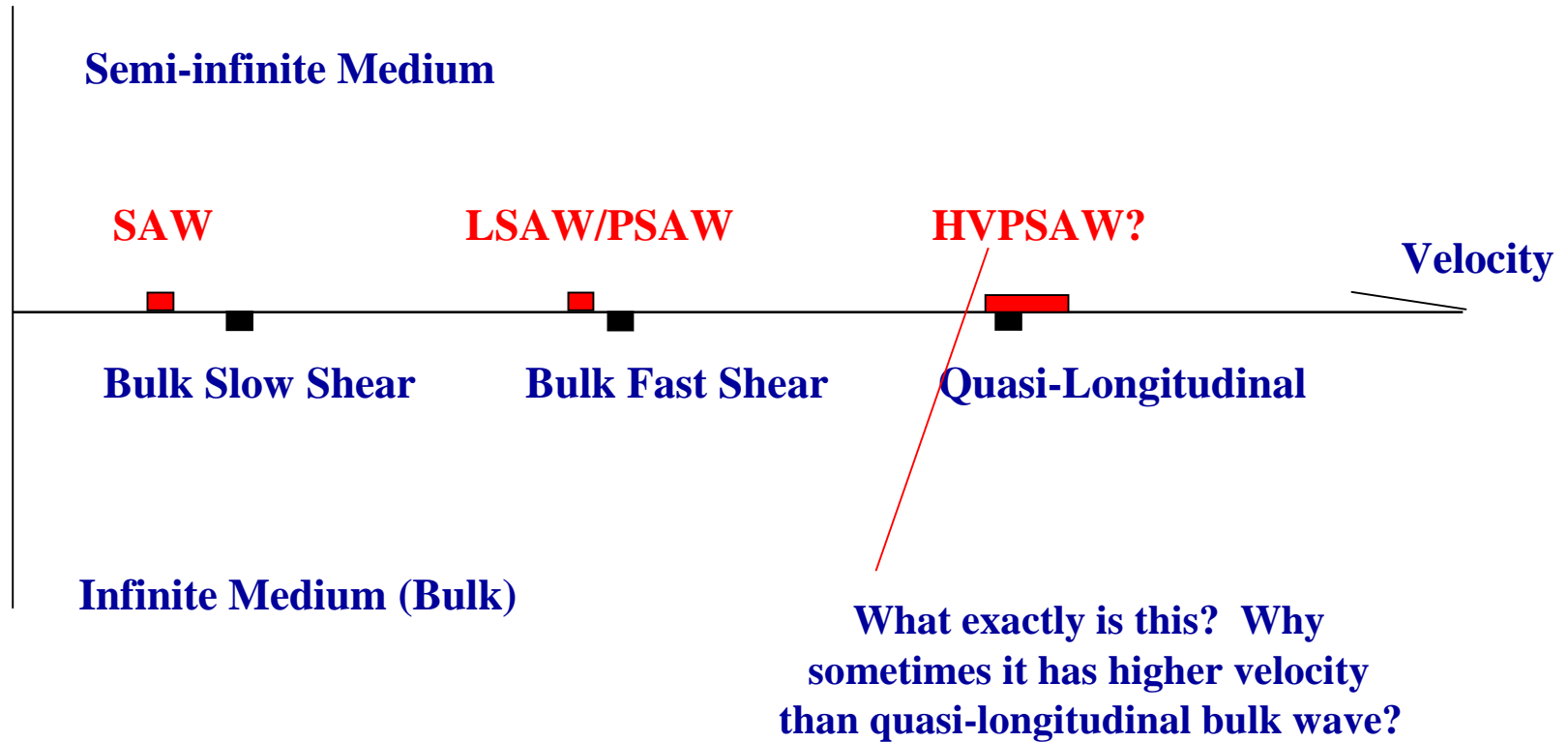
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Bell Labs 1989

More Usable Waves Out There (Faster, Zero TCD,)?

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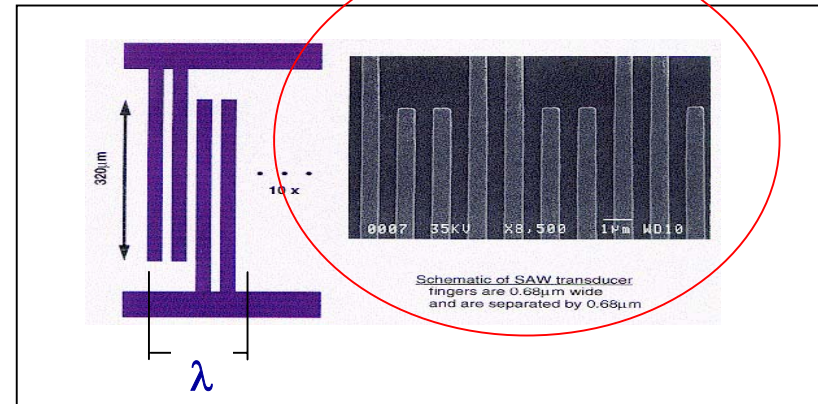
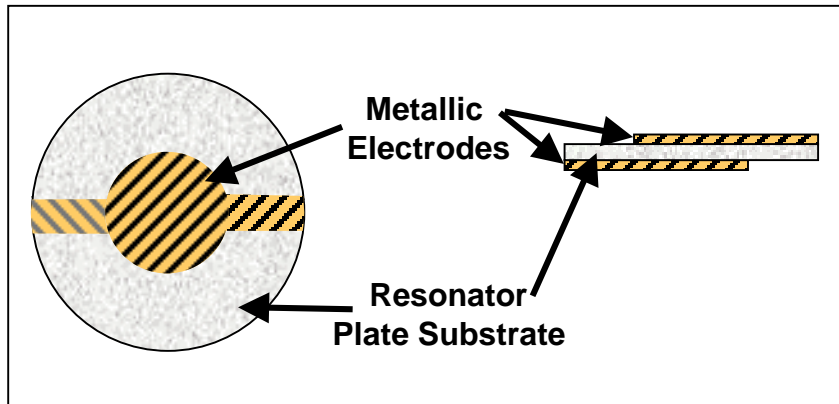
Material and orientation (Euler angles [°]) v_{BULK} [Km/s]	v_p short/ open (v_{SAW}^{FREE}) [Km/s]	α short/ open [dB/ λ]	Fields @ $z = 0$ u_x, u_y, u_z , short/open (magnitude [Km]) Symmetry type	PFA[°] short/ open $2 \Delta v_p /v_p$ [%]
LiTaO ₃	6.2442	0.56	1 0.19 0.25	1.3
[90° 90° 31°]	6.3179	8.0e-3	1 0.09 0.13	3.5
[3.336 3.365 6.316]	(3.1420)		TYPE 1	2.3
36° YX-LiTaO ₃	6.9049	0.80	1 0.11 0.60	-14.8
[0° -54° 0°]	6.9779	0.12	1 0.13 0.58	-12.0
[3.351 4.227 5.589]	(3.1252)		TYPE 1	2.09
quartz AT-X	5.7447	1.0e-2	1 0.12 0.077	-0.2
[0° -54.7° 0°]	5.7454	2.5e-3	1 0.12 0.080	-0.1
[3.298 5.100 5.744]	(3.1510)		TYPE 1	0.023
quartz ST-X	5.7446	6.0e-3	1 0.066 0.081	-0.5
[0° 132.75° 0°]	5.7449	1.2e-3	1 0.056 0.084	-0.7
[3.298 5.100 5.744]	(3.1576)		TYPE 1	0.011
quartz ST-25°	6.5262	1.8e-5	1 0.35 0.090	14.1
[0° 132.75° 25°]	-	-	-	-
[3.365 4.032 6.604]	(3.2475)		TYPE 1	-
GaAs	5.3987	1.9e-2	1 0.04 0.234	2.8
[45° -90° 25°]	5.3986	1.6e-3	1 0.04 0.233	2.9
[2.654 2.990 5.376]	(2.5339)		TYPE 1	0.004

Why sometimes HVPSAW has higher velocity than quasi-longitudinal bulk wave?

BAW and SAW

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4-Finger/Period to Suppress Finger Mechanical Reflections



$$f_n = \frac{n}{2t} \sqrt{\frac{c}{\rho}}$$

f_n resonance freq
 n odd integers
 c stiffness coefficient
 ρ density
 t thickness

$$\text{Frequency } (f) = \text{Velocity } (V) * \text{Wavelength } (\lambda)$$

Low-Loss SAW Filters

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SPUDT

NSPUDT

RSPUDT

TCRF

LCRF

IEF

FEUDT

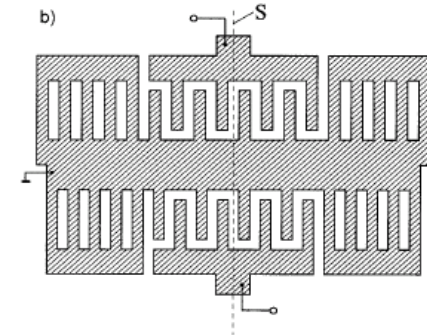
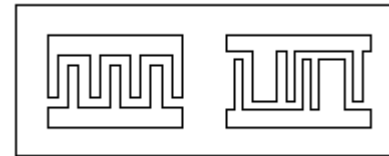
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**Can we have low-loss SAW filters
without using reflections?
Answer is simply “No”.**



Figure 1. Two-Focus SFIT



Film Bulk Acoustic Resonator (FBAR) Technology by Agilent

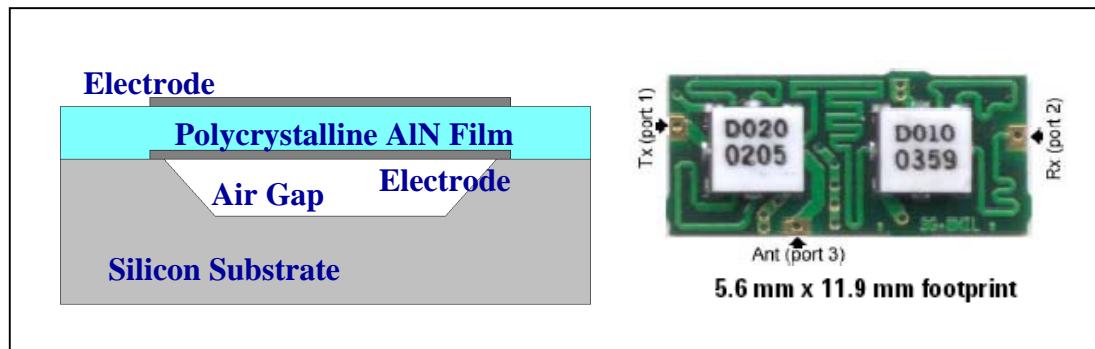
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Roughly Speaking-

1980 to 1990 *Hot*
 1990 to 1995 *Quiet*
 1995 to Now *Very Hot*

Issues-

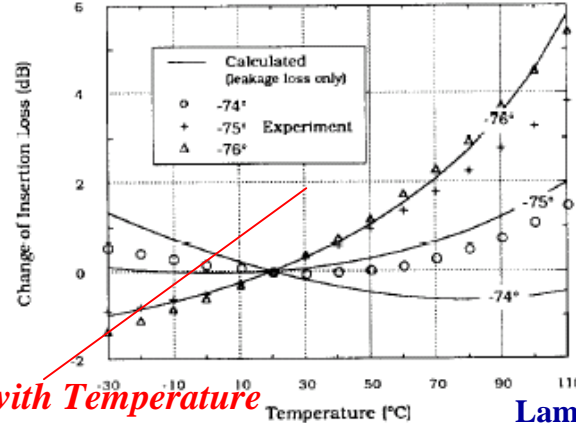
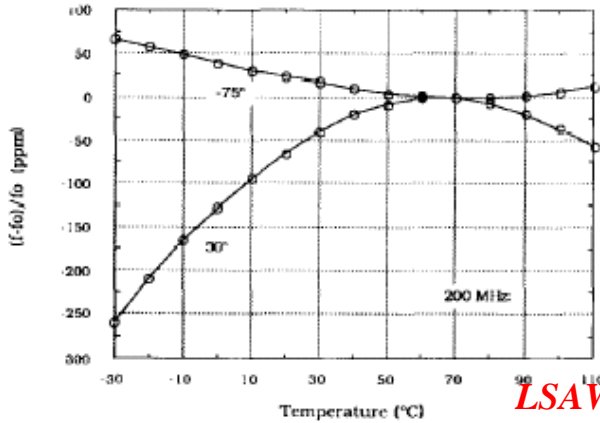
1.5 ~ 5 GHz.
 A threat to SAW.
 Processing yield is still low.
 Integration is still far way.



	Ceramic	SAW	FBAR
size (PCS duplexer)	675 mm ³	140 mm ³ (cellular band)	98 mm ³ ; going to 46 mm ³
electrical (I.L., roll-off)	excellent	good	excellent
power handling	best (>35 dBm @ 2 GHz)	fair (31 dBm @ 900 MHz)	good (>32 dBm @ 2 GHz)
temperature coefficient	0 to -5 ppm/C	-23 to -94 ppm/C	-20 to -30 ppm/C
frequency range filters: duplexers:	cellular/PCS cellular/PCS	IF-cellular-PCS cellular/PCS?	cellular-PCS-mw cellular-PCS-mw
integration	no	Multi-Chip Module (MCM)	MCM ; future full integration

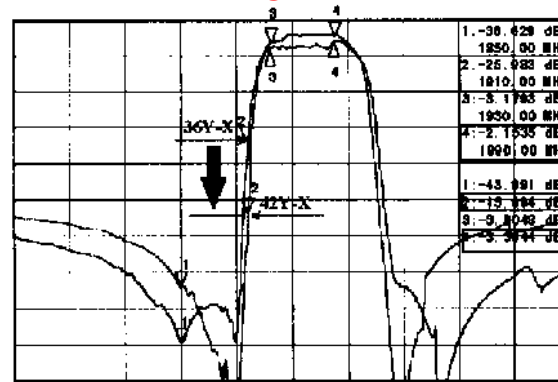
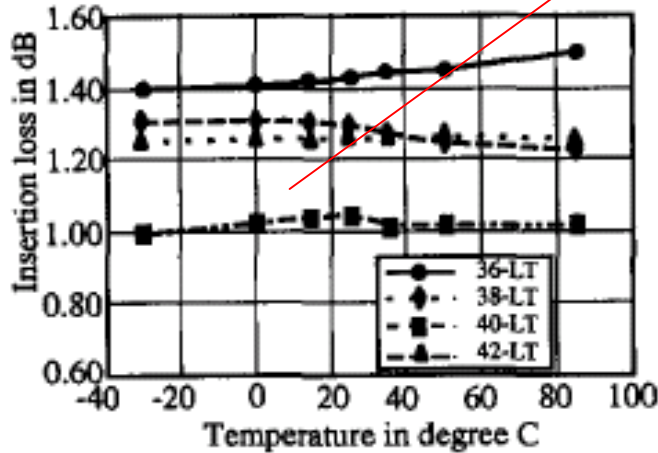
From 36° to 42° LiTaO3- Fujitsu in 1997

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*LSAW with Temperature
Dependent Bulk Wave Leakage*

Lam, Holt and Hashimoto 1989



Hashimoto, Yamaguchi, et al. 1997

Many inventions/discoveries happened by accident.

What was bad then may be very useful now.

What was impractical then may become very useful now.

Did we miss anything? May be it's time to slow down and look back.

BAW and SAW are not totally non-related. They are contributing and will continue to contribute to the development of high performance frequency control devices and modules.