



Dicing Systems



Dicing Tools **August 2001**



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Dicing Products: Blades & Flanges

Large variety of dicing tools to support every dicing application :

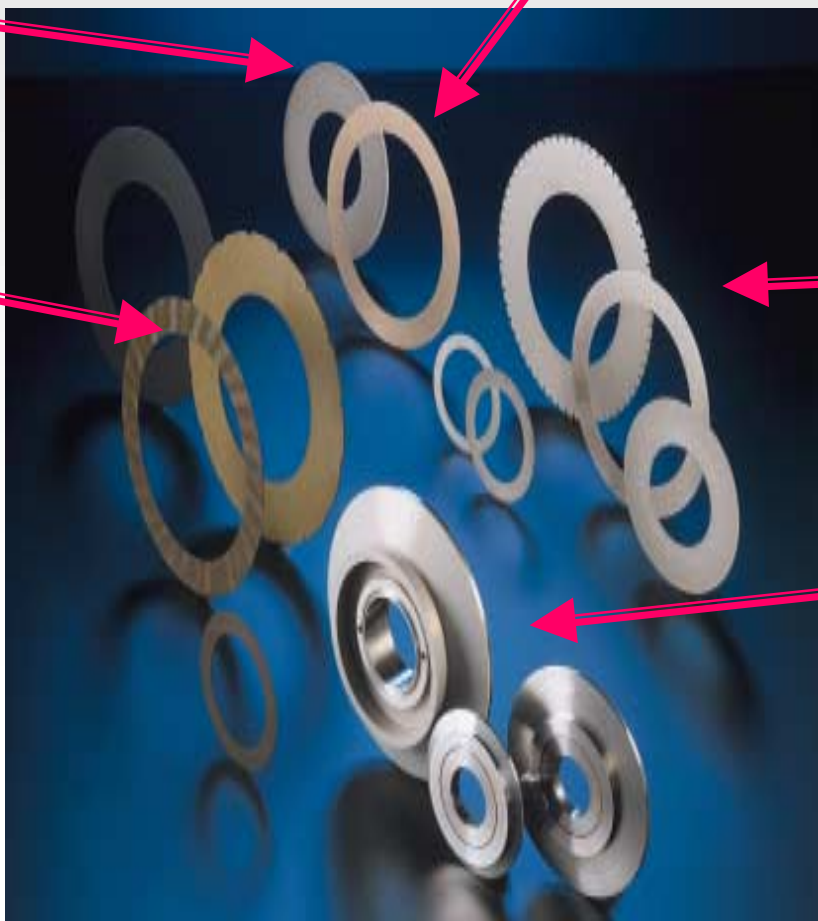
Steel Core Ni Blades

Sintered Blades

Resin Blades

Nickel Blades

Flanges





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Dicing Products: Accessories

- *Lapping kit*
- *Special flange design*
- *High Cooling Flanges*
- *Vacuum Tool*
- *Torque meter*





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Dicing Tools Products

Blade Type	Diamond size Micron	Product	Material
Nickel Blade	30,50,70	PBGA,PCB	FR4, Plastic&BT Resin
	3-6,10,17	Magnetic & Tape Heads	TiC & Ferrite
	2-4,4-8,10	Ultrasound Sensors	PZT
	2-4,3-6	Active Devices (Discreet)	GaAs
	4-8	SAW Devices	LiNbO3,LiTaO3
	2-4,3-6	IC's	Silicon
Steel Core Ni Blades	30,50,70	MLC (Multi Layer Capacitors)	Green Ceramic
Resinoid Blades	53,88,105	CBGA	Alumina
	53,63,88	Ceramic Packages	Alumina
	15,20,30	SAW Devices	Quartz,LiNbO3,LiTaO3
	6,9	Tape for VTR	Ferrite
	30,45	Ink Jet Print Heads , Fiber Optics	Glass,Quartz
Sintered Blades	9,15,25	Magnetic Heads	TiC
	30,50	PBGA	Plastic&BT Resin
	9,10,15	Fibers Optics	Glass,Quartz



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Blade Parameters to be Defined/Optimized

- **Binder Type** : Nickel , Resin , Sintered , Steel Core
- **Dimension** : OD , ID , Thickness & Thickness tolerance
- **Edge Geometry** : Standard , Serrated (#of serration) , Angled
- **Abrasive** : Diamonds , CBN , Others
Grit size , Concentration , Type
- **Matrix** : Hard , Soft



Blades Type

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■ Blade type and binders:

● Steel Core:

- The hardest binder in use.
- The diamonds on these blades are coated only on the cutting edge of the blade.
- These blades are used mainly for soft materials such as Green Ceramic.
- Thickness varies between 6.0 to 30 mils

● Nickel:

- Very common for soft materials such as PBGA ,PCB, PZT, Green Ceramic and Silicon. Also for the TiC and Ferrite
- The Nickel binder grows together with the diamonds so all the volume of the blade is equally filled with diamonds.
- Thickness varies between 0.6 to 15 mil.



Blades Type (cont.)

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■ Blade type and binders:

● Sintered:

- These blades are very flat and have an accurate thickness.
- Used mainly for PBGA ,TiC, Quartz and glass.
- Very brittle binder.
- Thickness varies between 5 to 30 mil.

● Resinoid:

- Soft blades that are self dressed.
- Can be used for almost all materials with good results.
- High blade wear.
- Diamond grit size ranges from 3 to 200 mic.
- Thickness varies between 3 to 50 mil.



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Cut Quality/Throughput

Process Parameters

Blade :

- ***Diameter***
- ***Binder***
- ***Matrix Hardness***
- ***Thickness***
- ***Grit Size***
- ***Diamond Concentration***
- ***Edge***



Cut Quality/Throughput

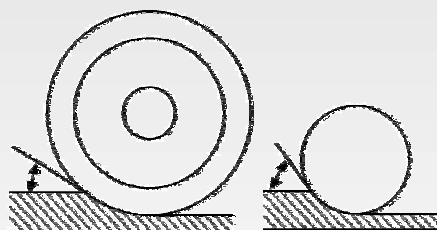
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Blade Diameter

More edge surface → Less blade wear

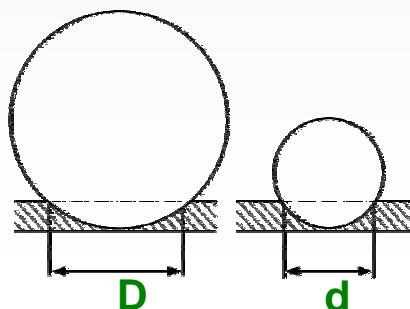
Shallower angle of attack → Less chipping

O.D -4"



O.D -2"

More blade surface in kerf during cutting → Less vibrations
→ Higher cut speed



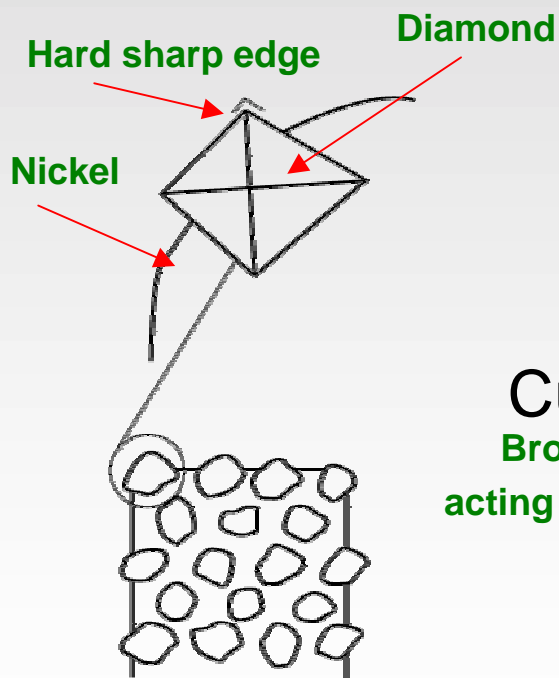


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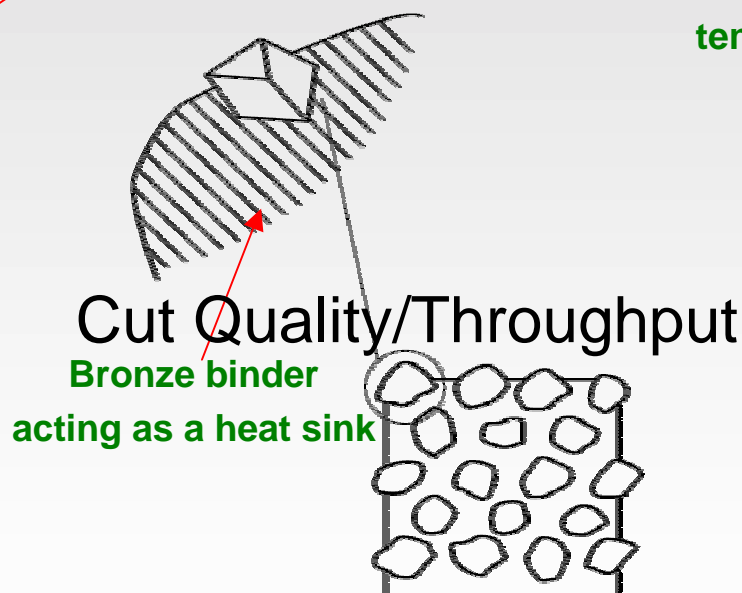
Diamond / Matrix Binder

Nickel Bond



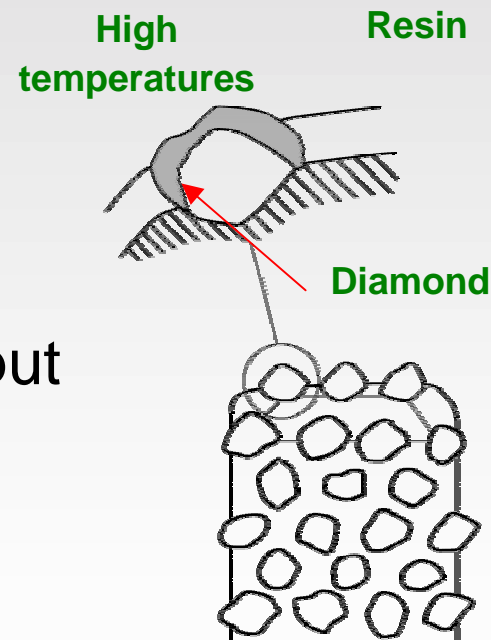
Low wear
blade

Sintered Bond



Bronze and additives
for a tough matrix

Resin Bond



Self sharpening blade
High blade wear



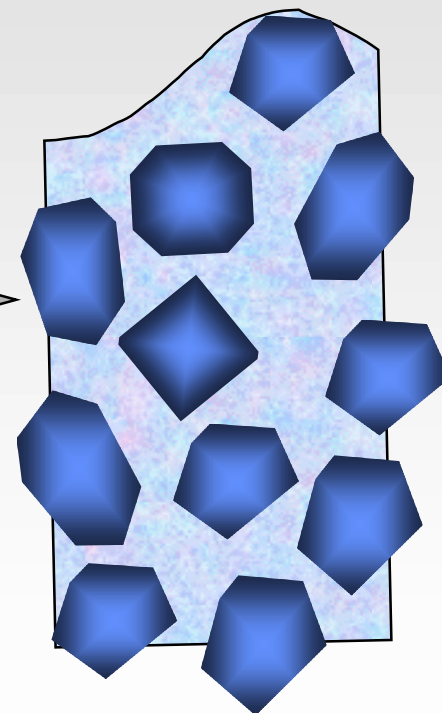
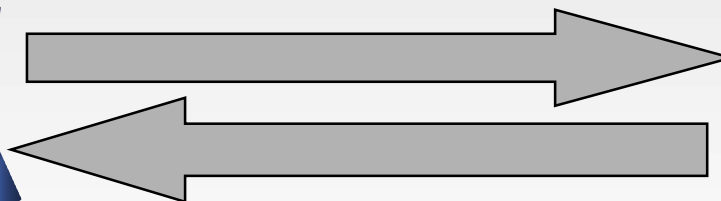
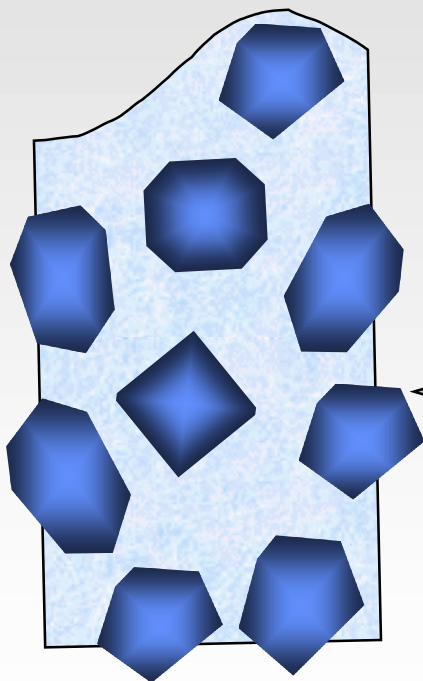
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Cut Quality/Throughput

Soft

Matrix Hardness

Hard



Higher blade wear

Better Cut Quality

Better Chipping Size

Better Blade Life

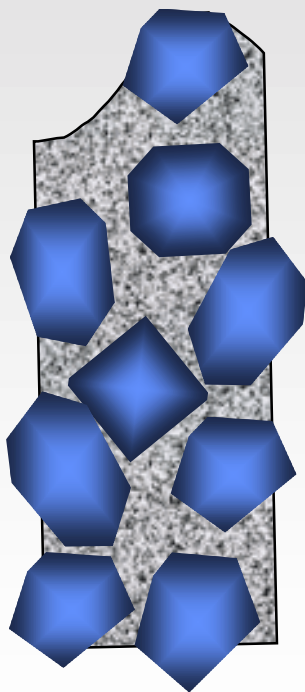
***Higher Load -
Affect Cut Quality***



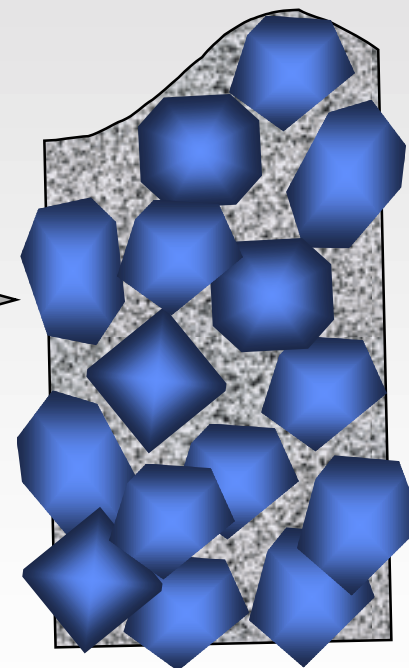
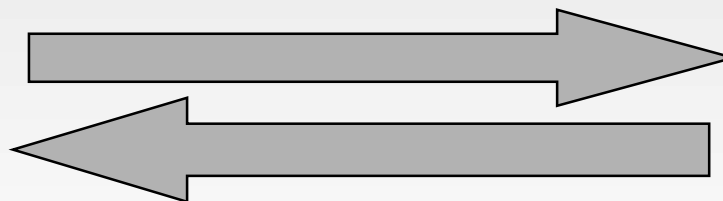
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Cut Quality/Throughput

Blade Thickness



Smaller Kerf
Higher throughput/subst.



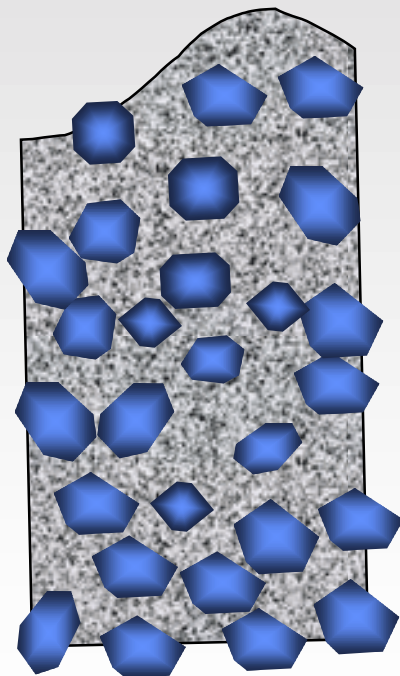
Better Blade Life
Better for thick substrates



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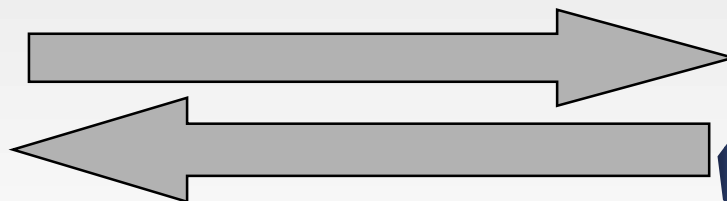
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Fine

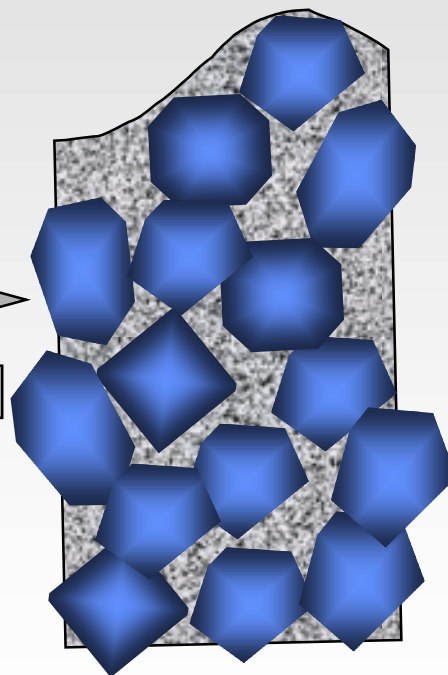


***Better Cut Quality
Smaller Chipping Size***

***Diamond Grit
Size***



Coarse



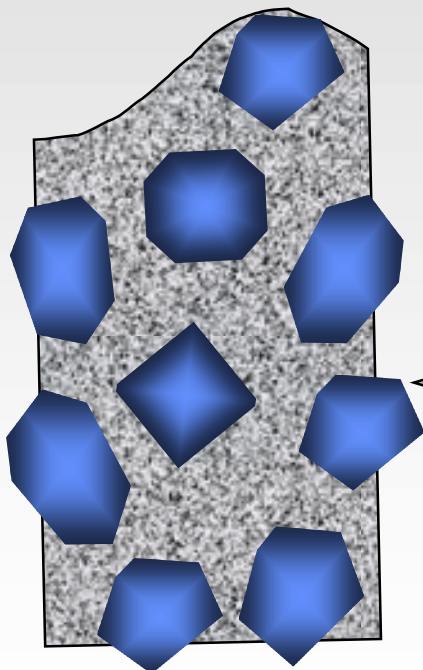
***Better Blade Life
Affect Cut Quality***



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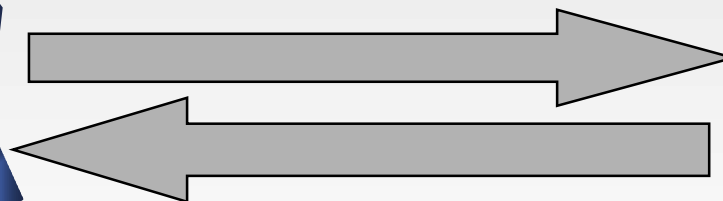
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Low

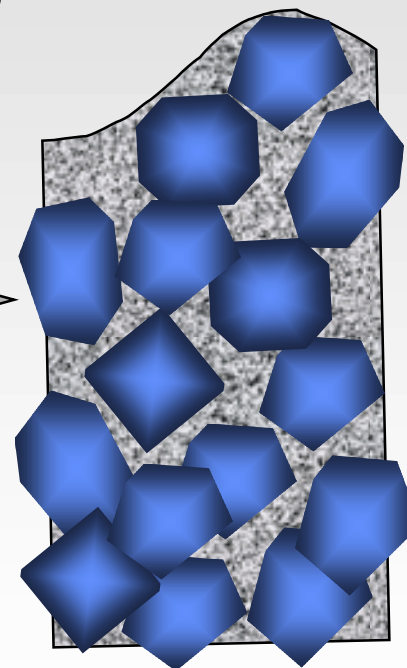


***Better Cut Quality
Better Chipping Size***

***Diamond
Concentration***



High



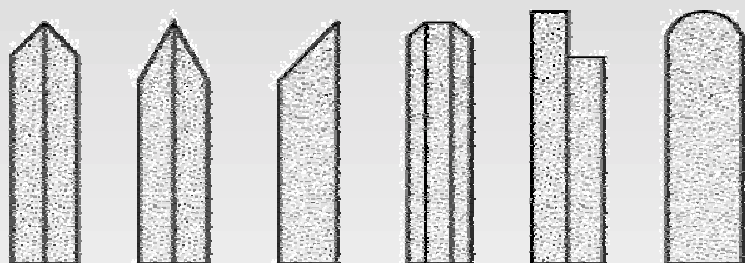
***Better Blade Life
Higher Load -
Affect Cut Quality***



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Blade Edge Geometry



Special Edge Shape (by Grinding)



4.256" .D

54 slots

.040" (1.00 mm) wide

.200" (5.08 mm) deep

4.600" O.D

60 slots

.050" (1.27 mm) wide

.200" (5.08 mm) deep

2.188" O.D

16 slots

.020" (0.50 mm) wide

.118" (3.00 mm) deep

Special Slots are Available





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Cut Quality/Throughput

Blade Edge - Serrated Blades

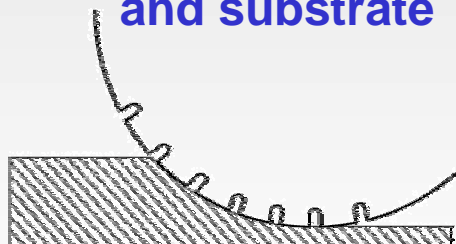
Advantages

Disadvantages

Less contact
between edge
and substrate

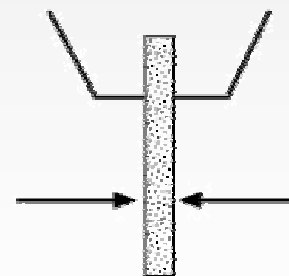
Less load
during
cutting

Kerf width is not as
accurate as on regular
blades



Better
cooling due
to serrations

Longer life



Vibrations

Chipping increases



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Cut Quality/Throughput

Blade Exposure

Maximum Recommended Blade Exposure :

■ Nickel Blades :

Blade thickness X 30

■ Resin Blades

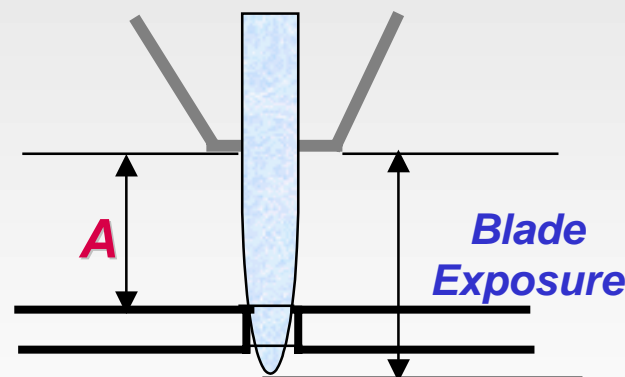
Blade thickness X 10

■ Sintered Blades

Blade thickness X 20

Minimum Recommended Blade Exposure :

■ **A** = min .300mm (12mil)

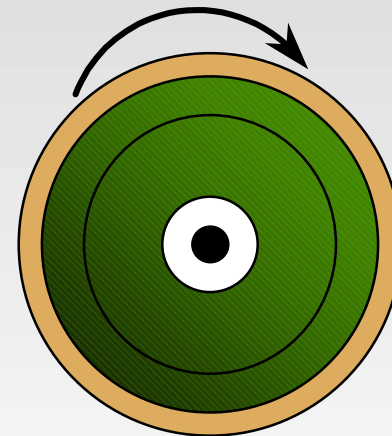
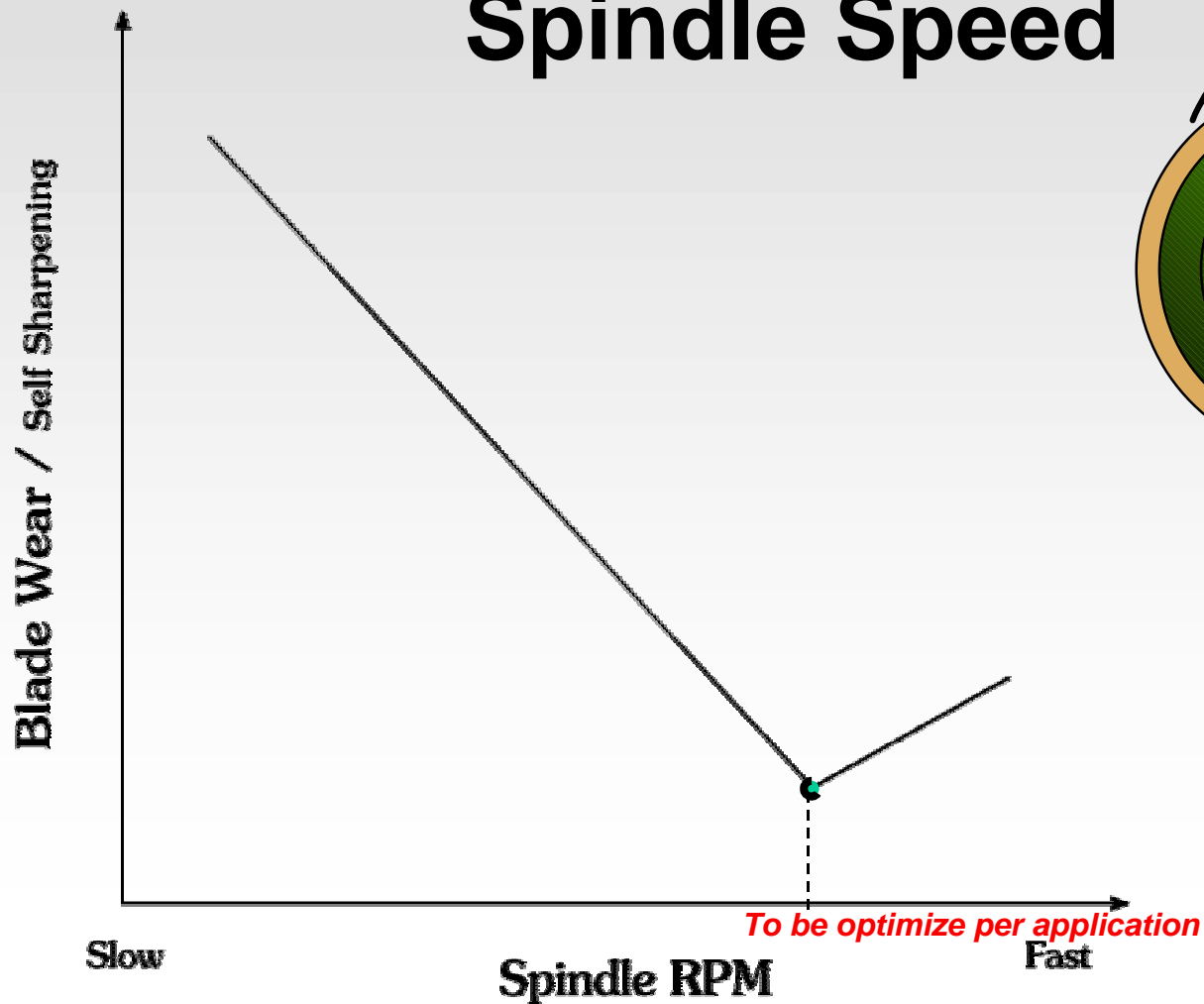




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Spindle Speed





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Spindle Speed

Range of R.P.M. on Main Applications:

TiC, land definition	Nickel blade	12-14K R.P.M.
TiC, cutting through	Nickel blade	12-15K R.P.M.
Silicon	Nickel blade	18-20K R.P.M.
Hard alumina	Resinoid blade	14K R.P.M.
Green ceramic, wet	Nickel blade	12-16K R.P.M.
Green ceramic, dry	T. Carbide blade	10K R.P.M.
Sapphire, S.O.S.	Resinoid blade	8-10K R.P.M.
Quartz	Resinoid blade	8-10K R.P.M.
Ferrites	Nickel blade	14-18K R.P.M.
	Resinoid blade	10-14K R.P.M.
	Resinoid blade	12-14K R.P.M.
Silicon on 2" saws	Nickel type blade	30-60K R.P.M.



Mounting

- *Tape , UV Tape*
- *Lava* - abrasive material -> unload blade -magnetic heads
- *Crystal bond* - strong adhesion -> load blade-ceramic packages
- *Special designed fixtures* -automation
- *Wax* - good adhesion -> load the blade
- *Glass , Ceramic substrates* -stiff material - avoid back side chipping ; wear blade->new diamonds layers



Flange & Spindle Torque Recommendation

4" SAWS

■ Flange:

- 31±3 Inch • Lb.
- (360±30 N • cm)

■ Spindle Nut:

- 31±3 Inch • Lb.
- (360±30 N • cm)

2" SAWS

■ Spindle Nut:

- 22±2 Inch • Lb.
- (254±23 N • cm)

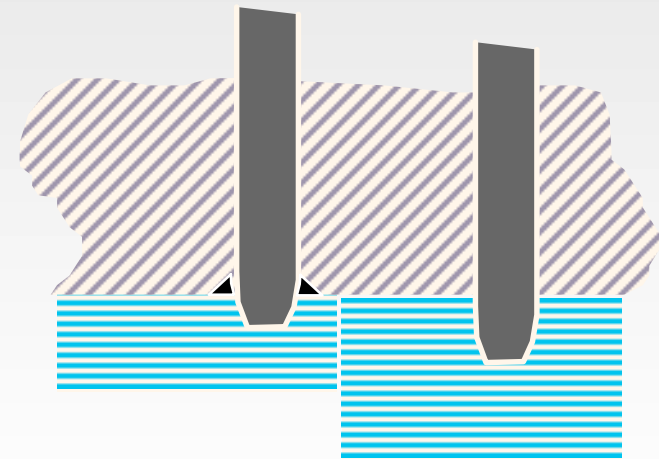
Optimization has to be done in production mode.



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Cut Quality/Throughput

- **Cut Depth into tape**
 - Deeper cut reduces blade taper effect.
This requires thicker tape
- **Feed Speed / Spindle speed**
 - Optimizing this ratio reduces blade wear, indicates that it runs cooler.
This contributes to reduced back side chipping



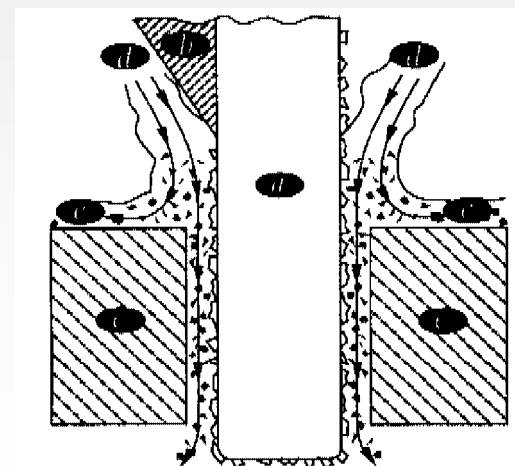


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Cut Quality/Throughput

Blade Coolant

- **Direction - Main jet adjustment**
- **Additives**
 - Reduce water surface tension and improve blade cooling
- **Flow rate**
 - Too low - does not provide effective cooling
 - Too high - may increase blade vibrations

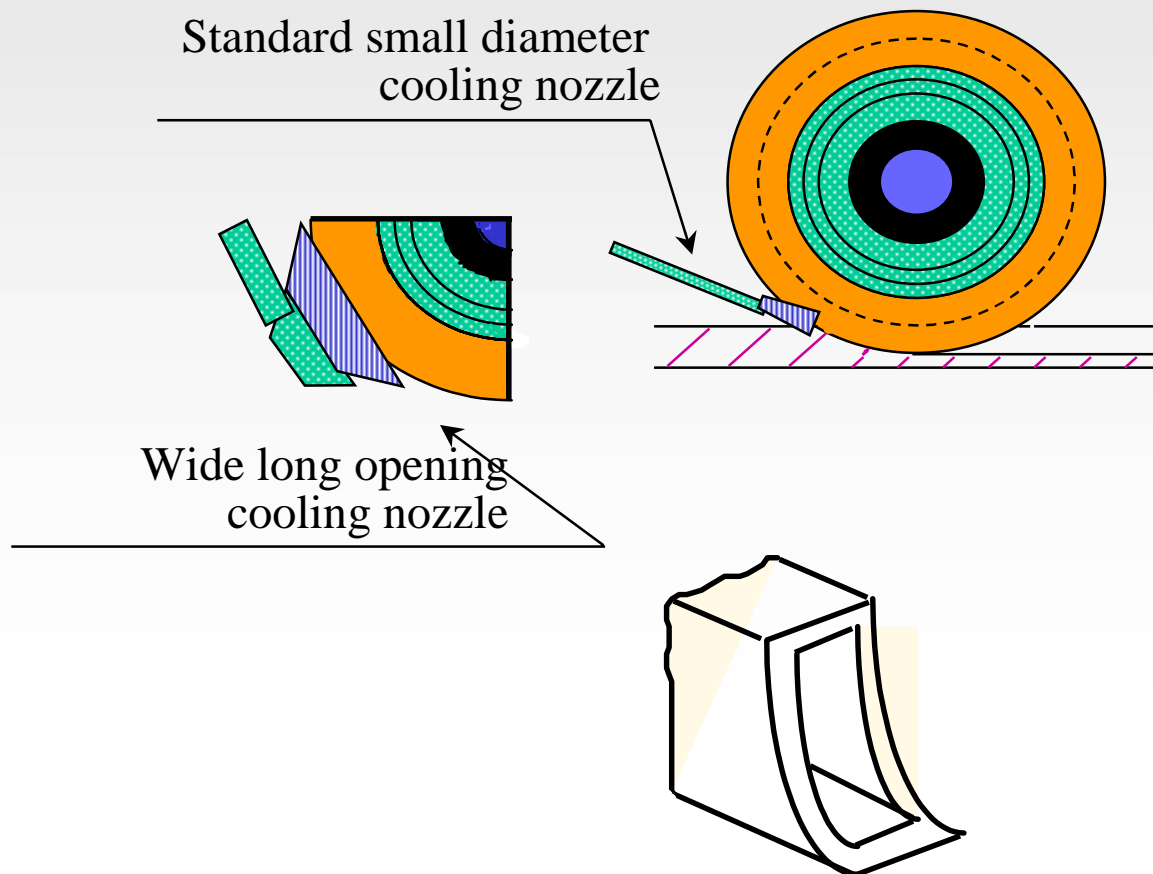




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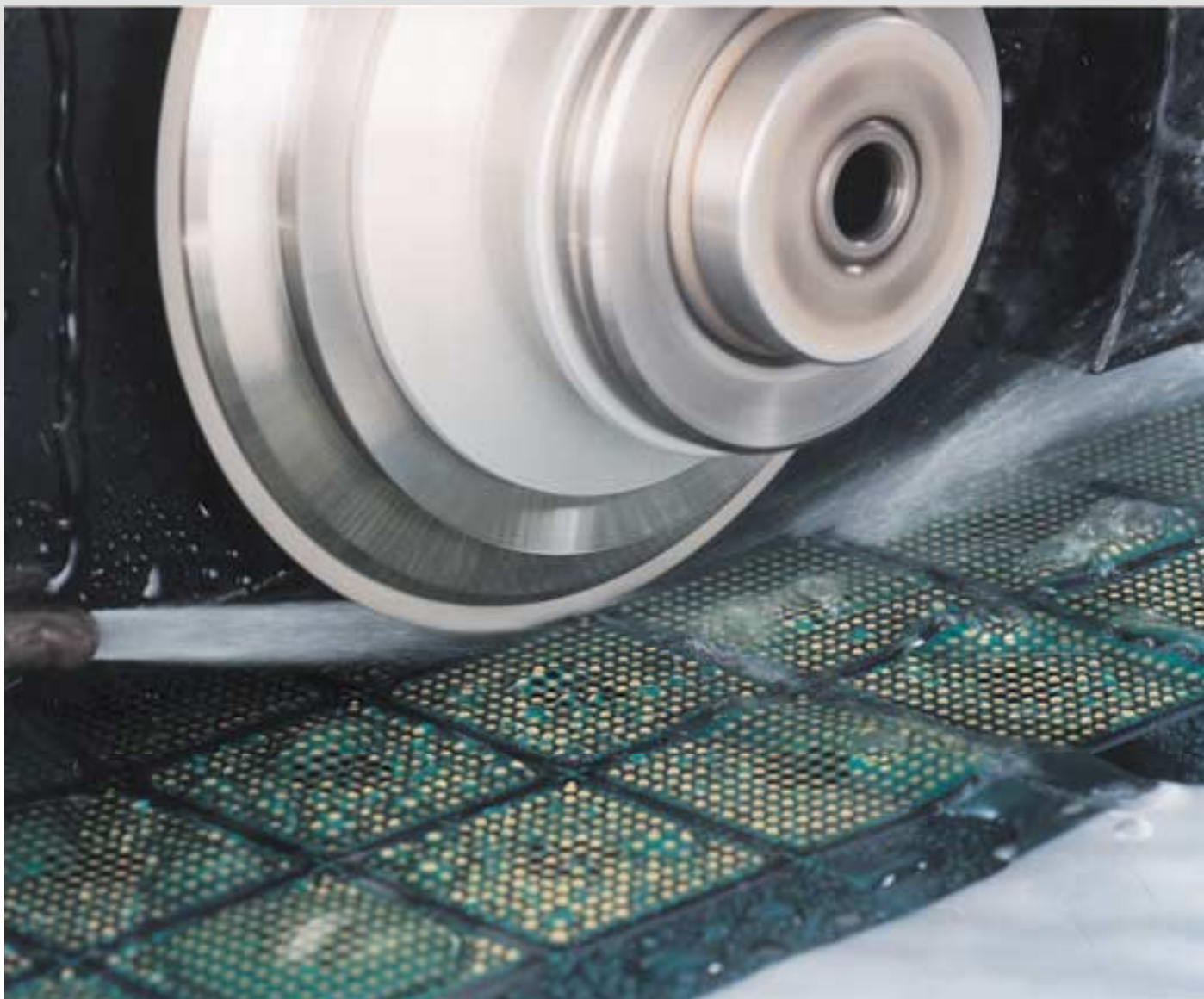
Blade Coolant - Nozzle configuration





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Package Singulation





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Resin Blades

Resin Blades

CBN

*Non Abrasive
Blades*



Nickel Blades

Low diamond Conc.

Nickel Blades

Tape application



Sintered Blades

Tapeless application



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Recommended Dicing Parameters

Ceramic

Plastic -Tape

Plastic -Tape less

Blade :	Resin 4"	Nickel 2" & 3"	Sintered
Diamond grit :	45 - 88 mic	30,50,70 mic	30 , 50
Spindle speed :	12-15 KRPM	30 KRPM	40-45 KRPM
Feed Rate :	10-40 mm/sec	40-100 mm/sec	80-100 mm/sec
Blade dressing :	No need	Before & during the dicing process.	Before

To be optimized by customer

YOUR COMPLETE CONNECTION

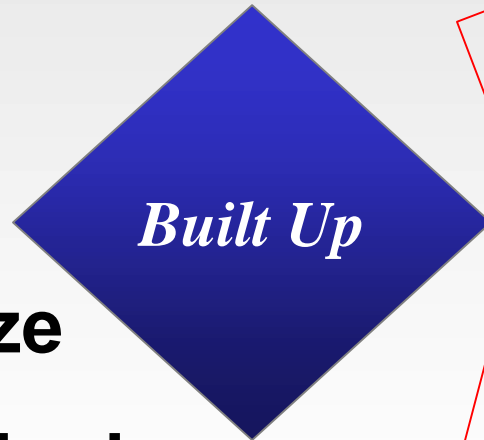


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Package Singulation

Troubleshooting

- Loading
- Vibration
- Wider kerf size
- Back side chipping



**In process blade
dressing process**

**Use bigger diamond
grit size**



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Package Singulation

Troubleshooting

- *Top side chipping*
 - Lower the diamond grit size
- *Back side chipping*
 - Lower the feed rate
 - Increase cut depth - min. substrate thick. + 1/2 blade thickness
 - Perform blade dressing
- *Blade breakage*
 - Lower exposure
 - Perform blade dressing

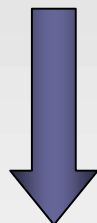


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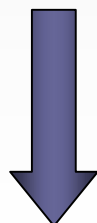
Troubleshooting

Nickel blade



Built up (Soft materials)

- >Blade thickness increases*
- >Larger Kerf Size*
- >Smaller Package Size*



Dressing process

- >Blade thickness decreases*
- >Smaller Kerf Size*
- >Bigger Package Size*



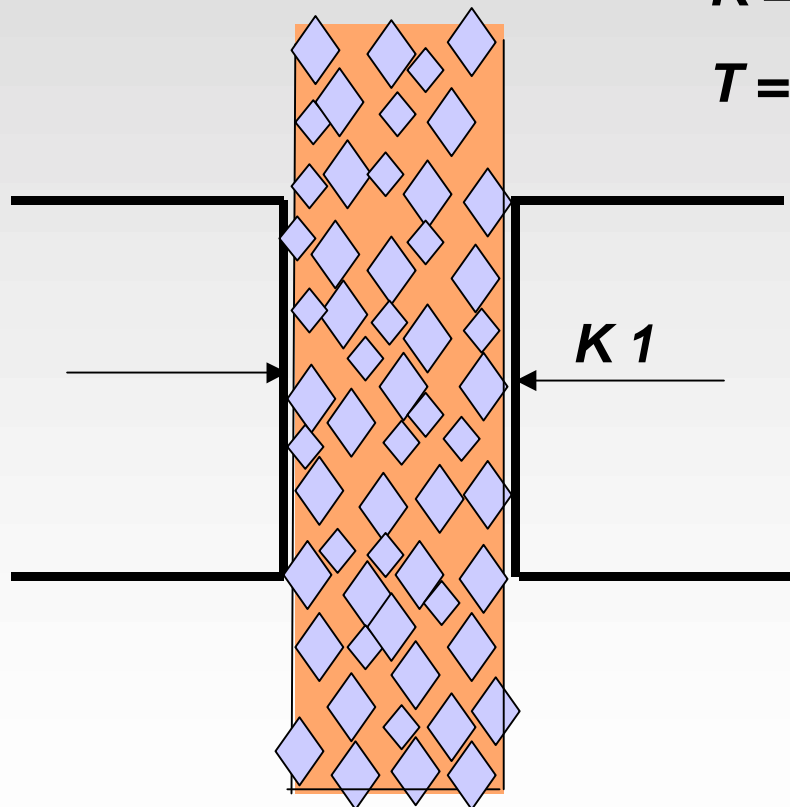
Troubleshooting

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$K = \text{Kerf Size}$

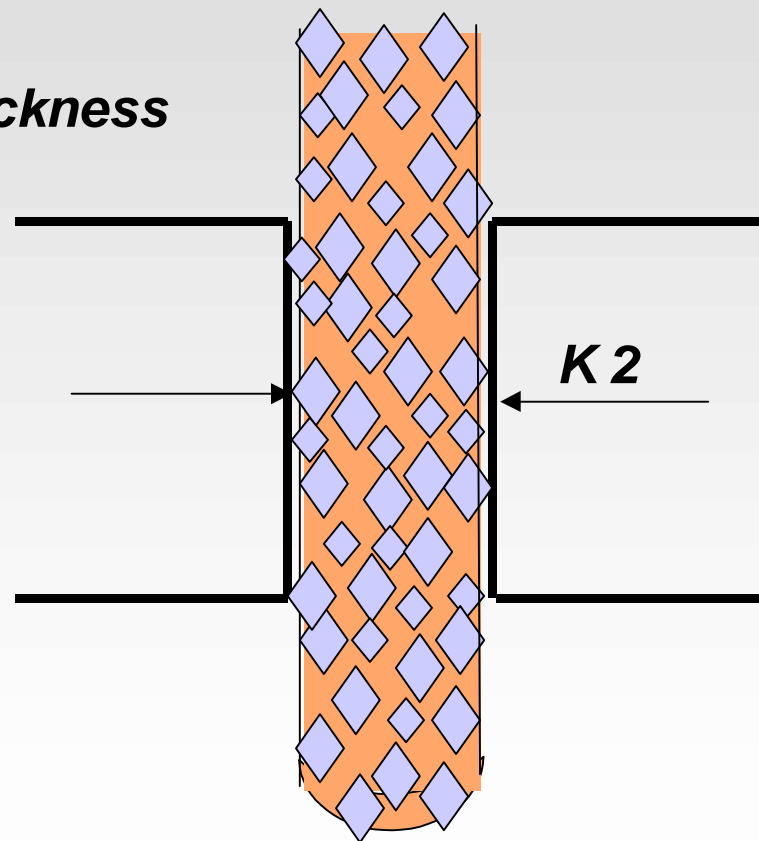
$T = \text{Blade thickness}$

Sintered blade



$T1$

New Blade



$T2$

**After 1500-2000m
cut length**

$T1 > T2$

$K2 < K1$

Package > than spec



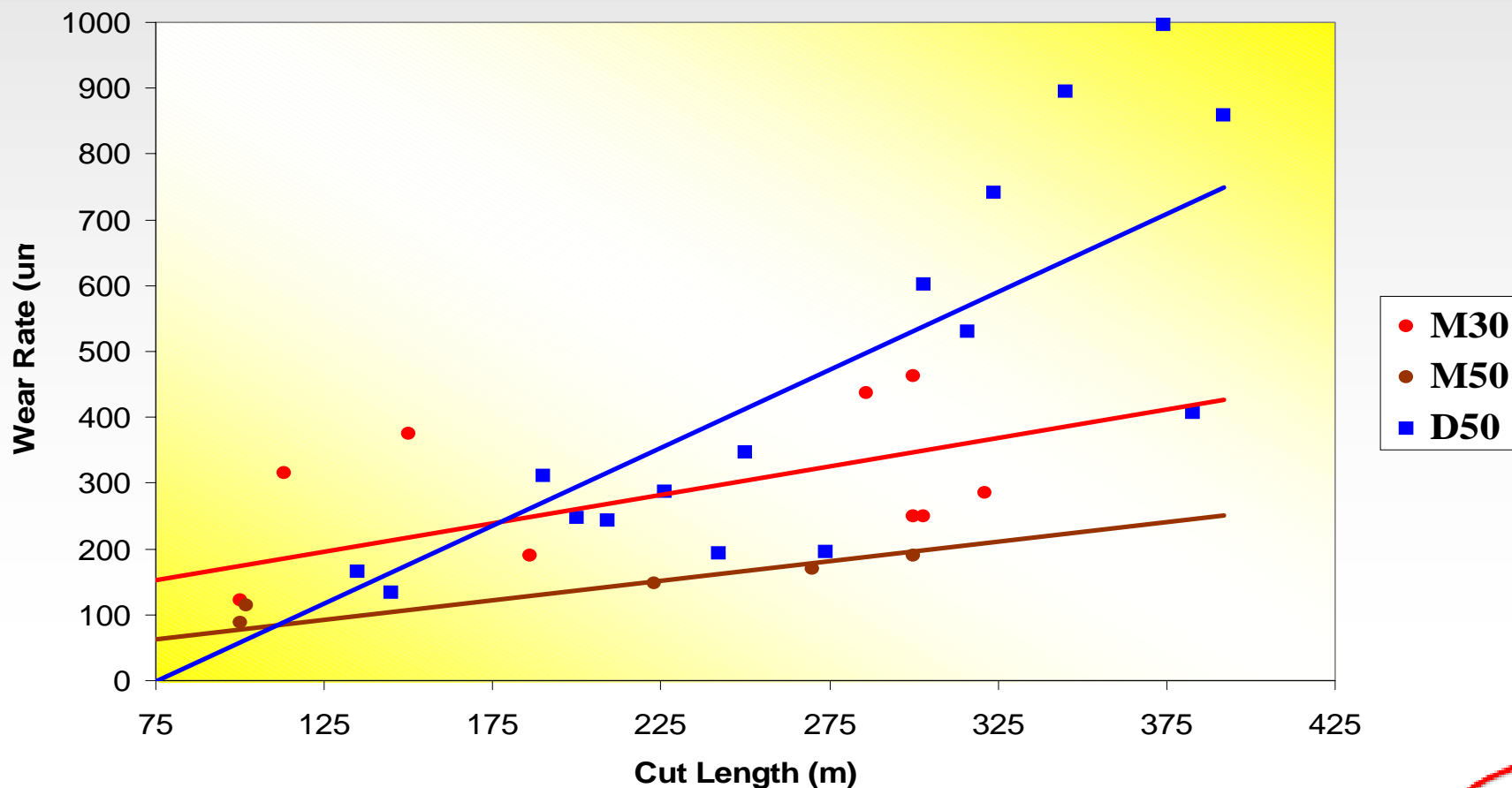
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Sintered Blades evaluation results

Wear Rate Vs Cut Length

MS Vs Competitor





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Dicing PBGA/CSP with K&S Blades

- ◆ High cut accuracy - *Thickness tolerance up to .0001"*
- ◆ High cut quality - *Large variety of diamond grit size : 13,17,30,50,70 mic*
- ◆ Large kerf width range - *Blades thick. up to .015" Ni and .030" Sintered*
- ◆ Unlimited exposure - *Blades OD from 50mm up to 76mm*
- ◆ Large variety of edge shape - *Different shape & serration #'s*
- ◆ Proven product at production - *AAPL , Amkor, ASE , Conexant, Micron Intel, ATK, ChipPAC ,*
- ◆ Two Ni blade configurations: *Semitec Hub or Micro-Swiss Annular*
- ◆ Long life - *Reduced saw down time*
- ◆ Competitive price
- ◆ Process stability - *Product repeatability*
- ◆ Dicing Process Center - *Process Application know-how*





Blade Select

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Substrate material

PBGA

Mounting metod

Tape

1st Choise

2nd Choise

blade material

Nickel Lapped

Nickel Lapped

Grit range [microns]

30 50

30 50

Spindle speed range [rpm]

21000 63000

21000 63000

Feed rate range [Inch/sec]

0.5 3

0.5 3

mils

microns

Substrate thickness

10.0 254

Mounting material thick

3.3 84

MAX Kerf width

6.0 152

Cut depth

7.0 178

Blade thickness

5 127

Resulting kerf width

5.5 140

Min. Blade exposure

11 279

Max Blade exposure

37 940

Cut into mounting material

0 0

delta-Kerf

0.5 13

Spindle Diameter [inch]

2" <--choose

Blade OD [inch]/[mm]

2.188 55.5752

Blade ID [inch]/[mm]

1.575 40.005

Flange OD [inch]/[mm]

2.12 53.848

Flange Model Number

4B785-4xxx-xxx

Go to Select Blade

Go to Select Flange

Go to ORDER

RE-CALCULATE

CUTTING RELATIONS [mils]

