



DESCRIPTION
THERMAL MODEL FOR
PKB4210DA



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General

The model is an estimation for the thermal behavior of PKB4210DA, which is a Through Hole Pin design. This model is calibrated against a reference data which is the thermal verification tests.

The model is intended for steady-state thermal simulations.

Model Description

The model is a readymade Flotherm 11.1 model. It was created by importing a CAD model in STEP format through the MCAD bridge. Components that are not contributing to the heat transfer, have been removed from the geometry. The model consists of the four major components:

3D CAD Geometry

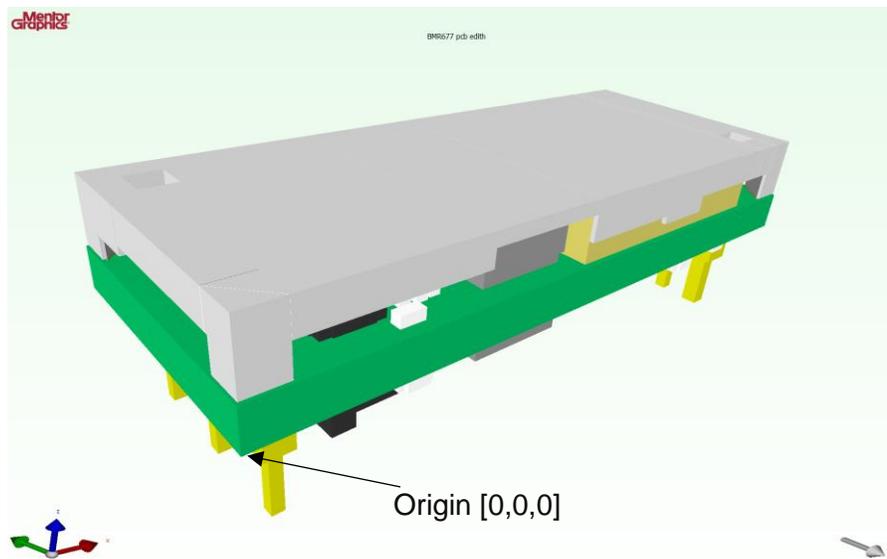


Figure 1. 3D geometry of the model

3D geometry is created by importing a CAD model in STEP format through the MCAD bridge. Components that are not contributing to the heat transfer have been removed from the geometry. The PCBs have been simplified to a bulk geometry where the copper layers and vias have been taken into consideration by assigning anisotropic material properties to the PCBs domains.

Origin has been placed so that [0,0,0] is in the lower left corner of the PCB.

Unit in file: [mm]

Domains of power loss distribution

There are several sources for power loss. The power loss for each of them, at certain module total powers, are given in *Appendix 1 - Power Loss Distribution*

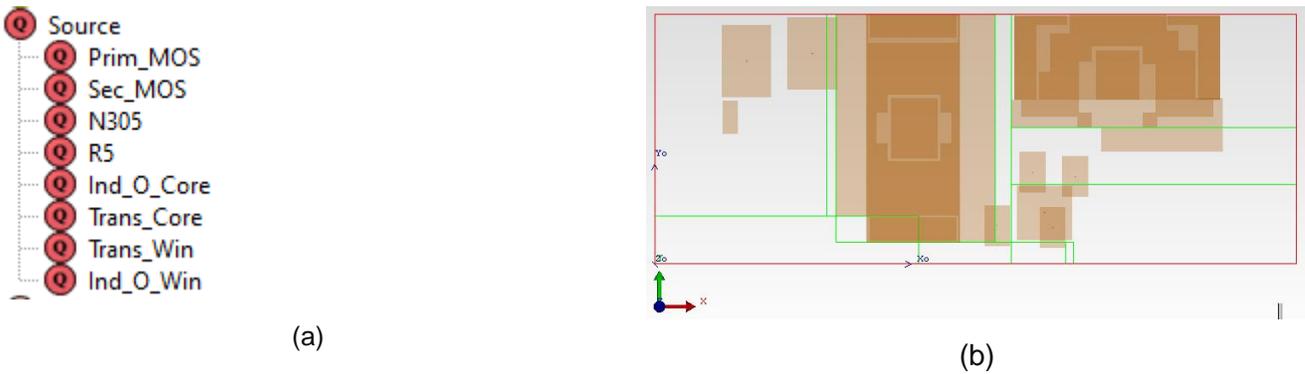


Figure 2: Power loss setting: (a) list of heat sources, and (b) heat sources distribution from top view

Domains of material data

There are several material domains. The heat conductivity for each of them is given either as isotropic, or anisotropic values in x-,y-, and z-direction (x,y,z) per the following list.

- Material
 - Copper (Pure)
 - FR4
 - FR4-testcard
 - Putty
 - Aluminum-6061
 - Material1
 - Material2
 - Material3
 - Material4
 - Material5
 - Material6
 - Material7
 - Material8
 - Material9
 - Material10
 - Material11
 - Material12
 - Material14
 - Material13
 - Material15
 - Material17
 - Material16
 - Ferrite
 - Prim_mo
 - Sec_mo
 - Other
 - mold

Figure 3. Domains of material data

Note. The given heat conductivities are only intended to model the temperature distribution of the module in this application. The values should not be treated as physically true or transferable to other applications.

Monitor points

The model comes with predefined monitor points. These monitor points are shown here

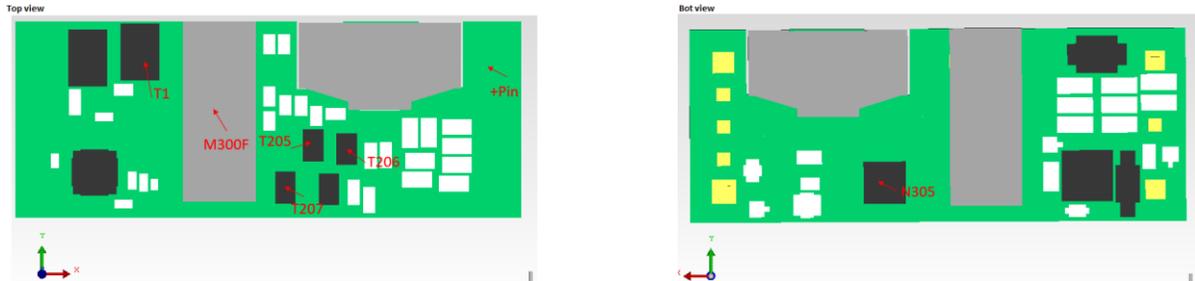


Figure 4. Monitor points in the model.

Model Calibration

The model has been calibrated to give temperatures as similar as the results from the wind-tunnel thermal test in a case of 54V input, 3.3V output, output current of 66A, with natural convection and 4m/s airspeed.

Flotherm simulation temperatures are within ± 5 [C] compared to real data (see Figure 6.).

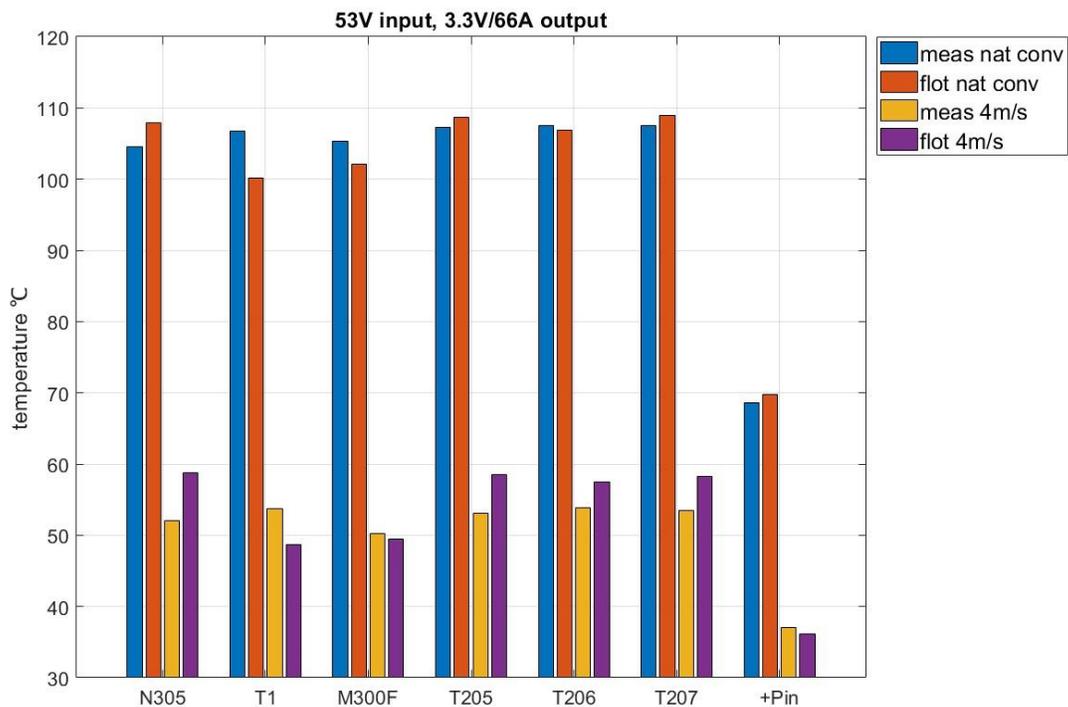


Figure 6: Model calibration result: meas – measured data, flot – Flotherm simulation results.



Model Usage

Import the *.pdml file into the desired project.

Adjust the dissipated power by altering the thermal sources per Figure 2, according to Appendix 1 - Power Loss Distribution. Default settings are for 54Vin, 3.3Vout, and 66A.

If the model is rotated, make sure that the orientation of the orthotropic materials properties are preserved (also rotated).

Do not change the order of power sources and geometry objects, as this can change the power and material settings.

The module temperatures can be monitored in predefined monitor points.

Additional Information

Model has been constructed with SI units.

References

data file PKB4210DA.pdml

Disclaimer

The model and model documentation described herein are provided for the sole purpose of facilitating thermal modeling of a structure where the referenced product is included. It should not and cannot be interpreted neither as a detailed description of the product itself, nor as a statement of the product's performance.

The model has been constructed on a best effort basis, but we cannot accept liability for any discrepancy between model predictions and actual values.

Revision history

A	2023-08-07	New Document
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Appendix 1 - Power Loss Distribution

Power loss distribution examples for PKB4210DA.

Condition: 54V_{in}, 3.3V_{out}, Output Current: 66[A]

Domain	Number of domains/ boundaries	Domain volume [mm ³]	per domain [W]	per volume [mW/mm ³]	Subtotal power loss [W]
Prim_MOS	2		0.70		1.40
Sec_MOS	4		2.20		8.80
N305	1		0.70		0.70
R5	1		0.35		0.35
Ind_O_Core		1126		0.435	0.49
Trans_Core		1109		0.460	0.51
Trans_Win		742		3.650	2.71
Ind_O_Win		423		7.100	3.00
				Total (W)	17.96