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WEBINAR

RUGGEDIZED AND COMPACT THERMAL SOLUTIONS

Enhanced Heat Transport and Thermal Storage for Harsh Environment Applications



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Custom Environmental Control Systems for Extreme Conditions



Technologies to manage high heat loads for Space applications



Patented innovations in electronics cooling for diverse market use

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Lead Engineer, Product Development

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Greg Hoeschele has been working for ACT since 2015 and has worked across various markets and industries developing passive and active two-phase technologies. He is well versed with the demands of the military and aerospace industry and has worked on a wide range of simple to highly complex embedded computing system level and sub-system level thermal management projects.



Adam Say:

International Business Development Manager

Adam is dedicated to expanding ACT's international customer partnerships. No matter which stage of product development you are working on, he is happy to set up a web conference to discuss the initial feasibility of ACT's thermal solutions.

Adam brings over 18 years of experience in international sales from a vast portfolio of industries and clients. He holds a Master's Degree in Business Administration and a B.S. in International Business and has traveled to more than 55 countries around the world.



SPEAKERS

AGENDA

- Common Environmental Conditions for Ruggedized Solutions
- Market Trends
- Heat Pipes and HiK[™] Plates
 - Product Overview
 - Environmental Condition Impacts
 - Case Study
- Phase Change Material Heat Sinks
 - Product Overview
 - Environmental Condition Impacts
 - Case Study



OVERVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

- The approaches discussed in today's webinar will focus on passive, rugged electronics cooling. Some typical applications include:
 - Avionics
 - Radar
 - Embedded Computing
 - Communication Equipment
 - Signal Intelligence
 - Electro-optics
 - UAV Control Electronics



COMMON MECHANICAL REQUIREMENTS

- MIL-STD-810-G
 - Corrosion Resistant & Protected Electronics
 - Dust, Rain, Humidity, Salt fog
 - Shock/Vibration
 - Acceleration
 - Altitude
- Minimize Weight
- Meet Structural Requirements
- Volume/Geometric Restrictions





COMMON THERMAL CHALLENGES

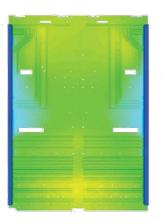
Ambient Temperature Range

- Minimum Temperature ~ -25 C
- Maximum Temperature + 45 C
- Sink Temperature (if applicable)
 - Maximum Temp = 85 C
- Electronics Temperature
 - Key Requirement: Max Case Temperature (from electronics supplier)
 - Typical Value: +135 C
- Altitude (if applicable)
 - Low ambient temperature
 - Lower air density

COMMON THERMAL PROBLEMS

Conduction Limitations

- Localized hotspots due to high heat flux electronics
- Long heat transfer distances (> 3")
- Remote Heatsink (cannot couple source and sink)
- Material Property Limitations:
 - Aluminum ~ 170 W/m-k
 - Copper ~ 400 W/m-k (Adds significant weight)





Solution = HiK[™] Plates

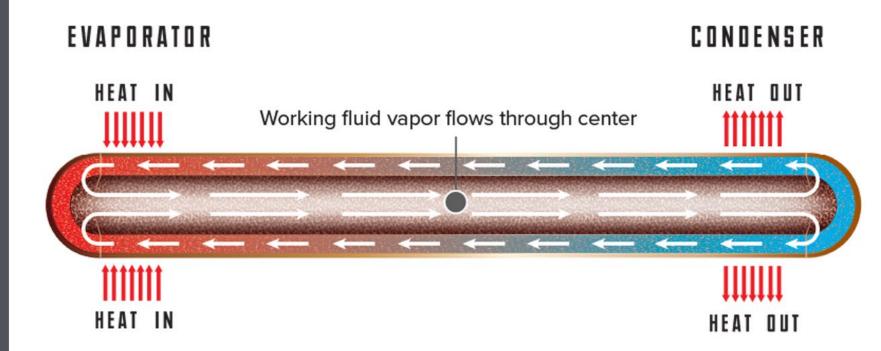
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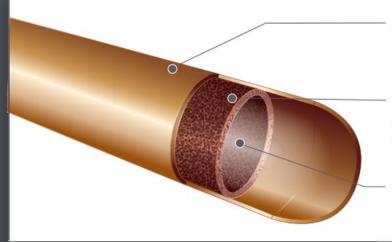
Transient Power

- Designing to peak power adds volume, weight, complexity
- Many systems such as directed energy, transmit/receive devices, operate on duty cycles < 50%
- If waste heat < 100s of Watts, significant savings are possible with thermal storage



HEAT PIPE SOLUTIONS





Envelope: Sealed outer wall that contains wick structure and working fluid

Wick: Vapor condenses and travels along the wick to evaporator by capillary action

Working Fluid: Vapor travels through center to the condenser

- Heat Pipes (why it works, etc.)
- Integrating / Designing with heat pipes
 - Source/Sink considerations
 - Power Considerations
 - Orientation & Acceleration Considerations
 - Quick design example using the calculator

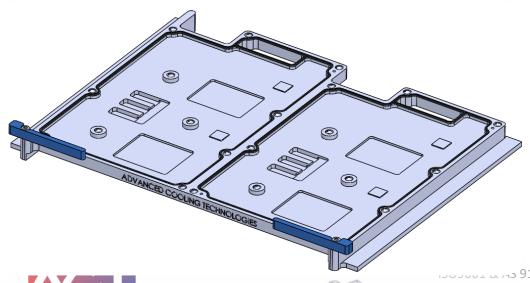
THERMAL SUPER CONDUCTORS

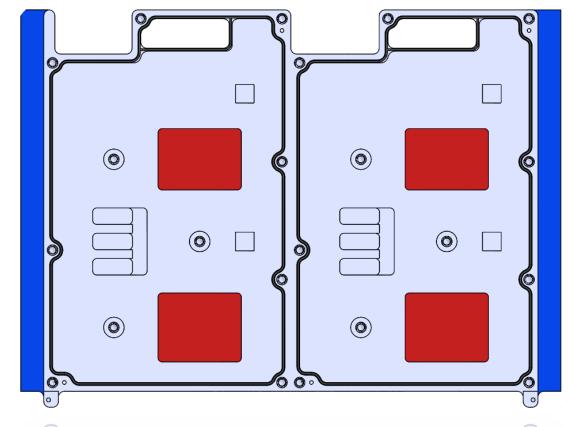




Design Requirements for 4.5 U Conduction Card:

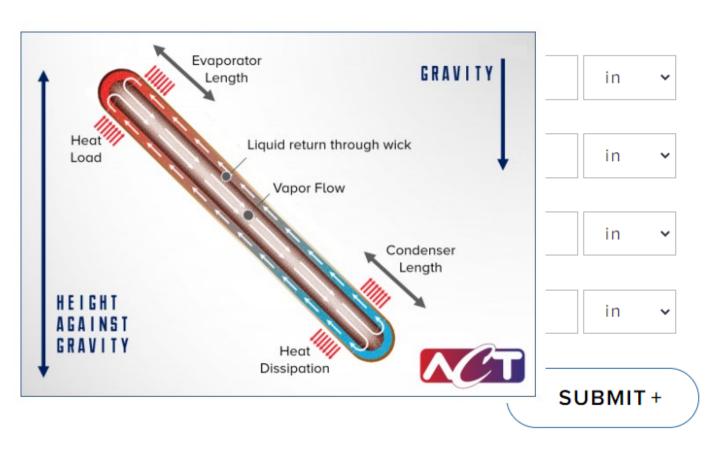
- Heat Loads: Four 90W heat loads (Red)
- Rail Temp: 60°C (Blue)
- Card Thickness: 5.5mm
- Operation in any Orientation

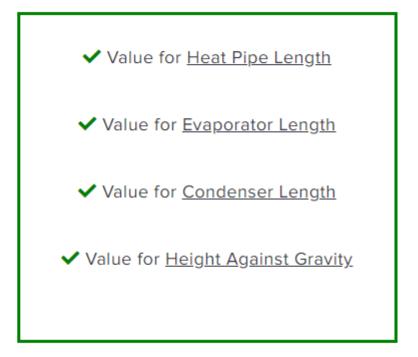




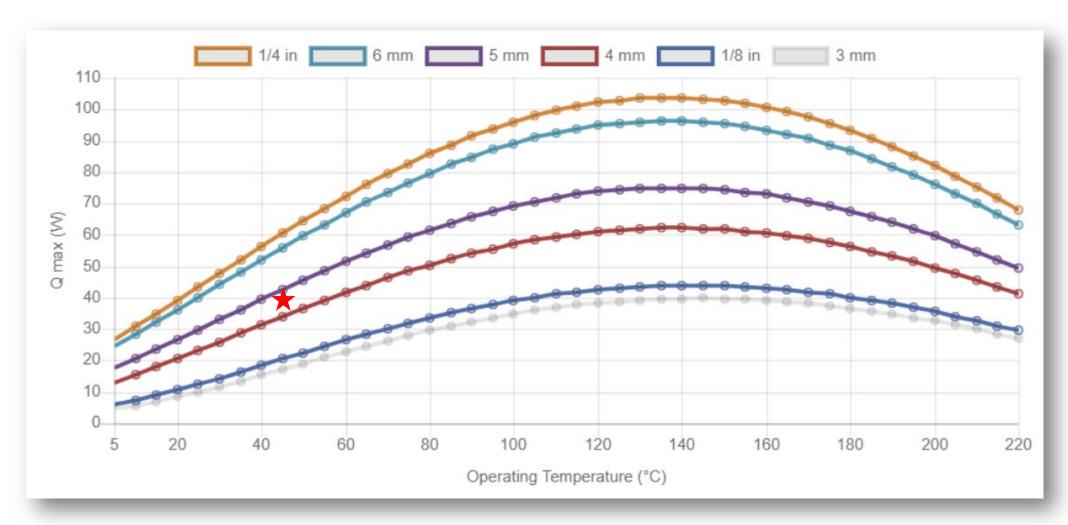
ACT PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

www.1-act.com/resources/heat-pipe-calculator/



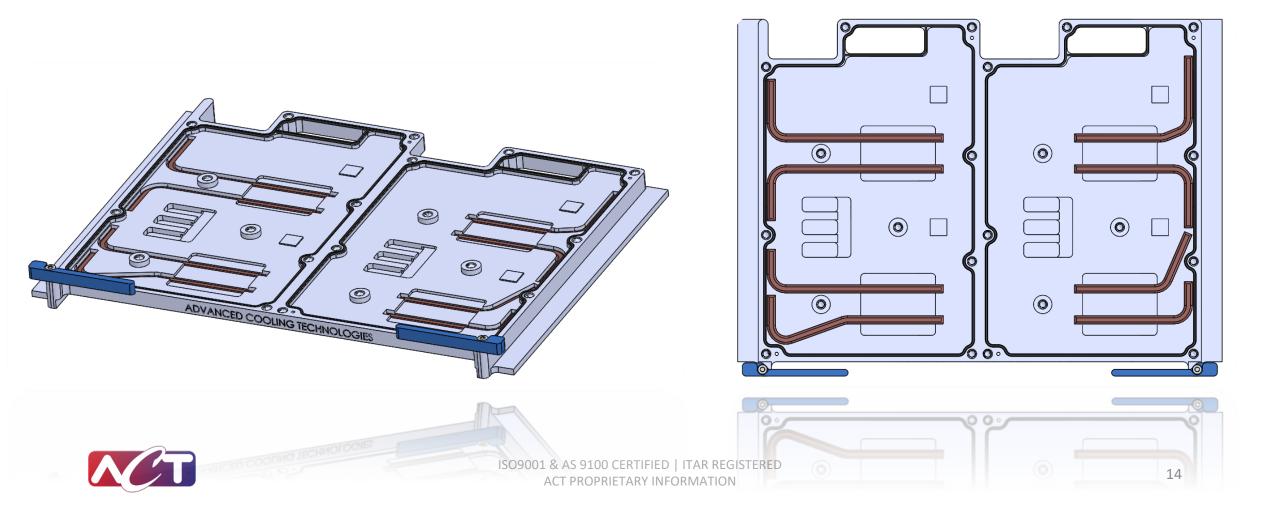








Two 5mm heat pipes under each heat source



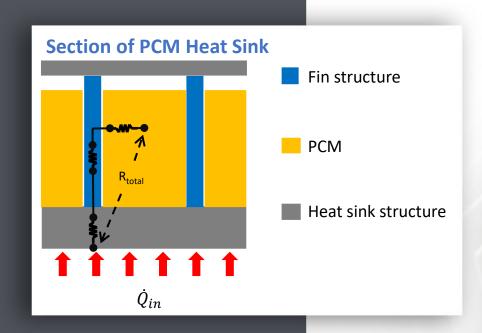
PHASE CHANGE MATERIAL HEAT SINKS

Challenges:

- Poor thermal conductivity of PCM creates gradients during the melt process
- Minimize impact of voids at the critical component locations

Design Considerations:

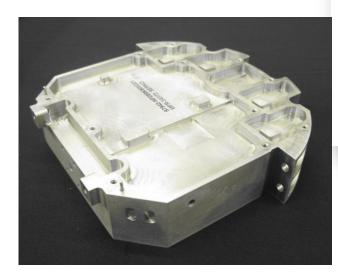
- Reduce thermal gradients with proper fin design:
 - Fin Pitch
 - Fin Thickness
- Trades between thermal gradient and PCM volume

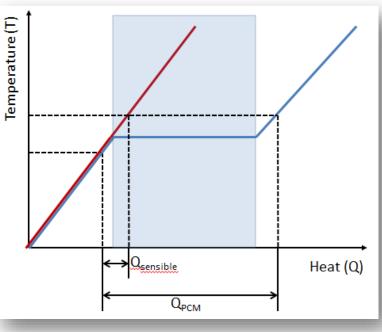




PHASE CHANGE MATERIAL HEAT SINKS

- Phase Change Material (PCM) is any material that has a relatively high thermal capacity, or latent heat value
 - Latent heat of Fusion Solid to Liquid
 - Latent heat of Vaporization Liquid to Gas
- Things to keep in mind:
 - Melt range(s)
 - Compatibility with base metal
 - Type of PCM
 - Purity
 - Capacity
 - Driven by latent heat







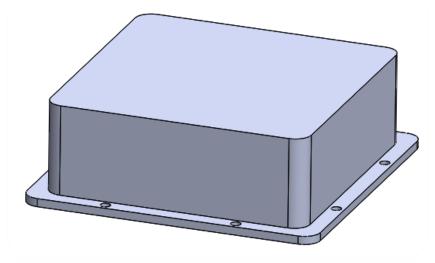
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Property or Characteristic	Hydrated Salt	Metallics	Paraffin Wax
Heat of Fusion	High	Medium	High
Thermal Conductivity	High	Very High	Very Low
Melt Temperature °C	0 to 100+	150 to 800	-20 to 100+
Latent Heat (kJ/kg)	60 to 300	25 to 100	200 to 280
Volume Change During Melt	Small	Small	Small
Corrosive	Corrosive	Corrosive	Non-Corrosive
Economics	\$ to \$\$	\$\$ to \$\$\$	\$ to \$\$
Thermal Cycling	Unstable over repeated thermal cycles	Stable	Stable
Weight	Light	Heavy	Medium



Design Requirements:

- Heat load: 10W for 110 min
- Heated Area: 4" x 4"
- Starting Temp: 60°C
- Max Temp: 75°C



Possible PCM Materials	C ₃₆ H ₇₄	C ₃₂ H ₆₆	C ₃₀ H ₆₂
Density _{solid} (kg/m³)	857	809	810
Latent Heat (kJ/kg)	223	261	249
T _{melt} (°C)	72 to 76	66 to 70	59 to 66



https://www.1-act.com/resources/pcm-calculator/

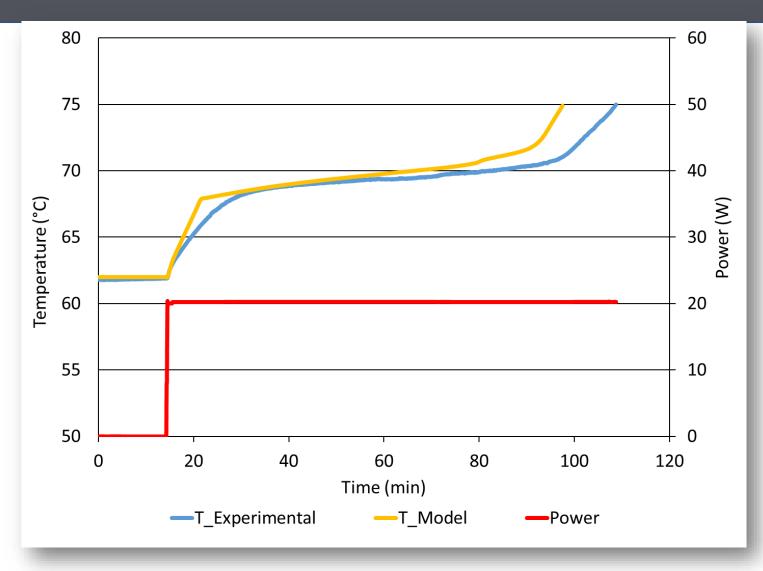
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Final Temp	75	°C 🕶		
Power	10	W		
Time	110	min 🗸		
Base Width	4	in 🗸		
Base Length	4	in 🗸		

COMPUTE PCM OPTIONS





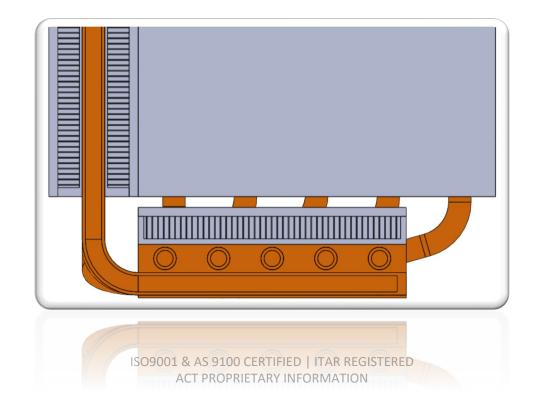






COMBINING TECHNOLOGIES

- Heat pipes and PCM combining for ultimate thermal management
- Concentrated source with height restriction; requiring significant xy spreading to allow for the appropriate PCM volume





TAKEAWAY 5

- Understand your thermal requirements and technology options
 - HiK™
 - PCM

 Using passive two-phase can greatly improve thermal performance at card and chassis levels with minimal impact on design consideration.



QUESTION & ANSWER SEGMENT

 Enter your questions into the question panel to the right of your screen







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