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On why dielets are the new craze for heterogeneous Integration

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<Abstract>

Chiplets (or more accurately dielets) are the new thing in heterogeneous systems integration. In this talk, we will review why this makes sense and what the criteria for dielet selection are. Dielet selection depends on functionality and reuse potential but are constrained by yield, handling and testing. This limits the die size to between 1 and 100 mm². The technologies that will be used to implement this concept are diverse and application dependent. They will require new substrate and assembly technologies. The dielet approach has significant challenges in both the infrastructure as well as the ecosystem. These include a secure supply chain and diversity of dielets. We'll discuss those as well. We will introduce two heterogeneous integration platforms the SiIF and Flextrate to demonstrate these ideas. The dielet concept is gaining momentum and offers a good way to leverage the solid existing semiconductor infrastructure and make advanced packaging a much more value-add component of the technology.

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