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- b) the general title has been changed according to the change in the title of TC 49 in 2009.
- c) the part title has been changed according to the title of IEC 62276:2016.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 61994 gives the terms and definition for single crystal wafers for surface acoustic wave (SAW) devices representing the state of the art.

2 Normative references

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3.1 Single crystals for SAW wafer

3.1.1

as-grown synthetic quartz crystal

right-handed or left-handed single crystal quartz grown hydrothermally

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.1.1, modified – Notes 1 and 2 to entry have been removed.]

3.1.2

lanthanum gallium silicate

LGS

single crystals described by the chemical formula $\text{La}_3\text{Ga}_5\text{SiO}_{14}$, grown by Czochralski (crystal pulling from melt) or other growing methods

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.1.5]

3.1.3

lithium niobate

LN

single crystals approximately described by chemical formula LiNbO_3 , grown by Czochralski (crystal pulling from melt) or other growing methods

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.1.2]

3.1.4

lithium tantalate

LT

single crystals approximately described by chemical formula LiTaO_3 , grown by Czochralski (crystal pulling from melt) or other growing methods

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.1.3]

3.1.5

lithium tetraborate

LBO

single crystals described by the chemical formula $\text{Li}_2\text{B}_4\text{O}_7$, grown by Czochralski (crystal pulling from melt), vertical Bridgman, or other growing methods

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.1.4]

3.2 Terms and definitions related to LN and LT crystals

3.2.1

curie temperature

T_c

phase transition temperature between ferroelectric and paraelectric phases measured by differential thermal analysis (DTA) or dielectric measurement

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.2.1]

3.2.2

polarization process

electrical process used to establish a single domain crystal

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.2.3]

3.2.3

reduction process

REDOX reaction to increase conductivity to reduce the harmful effects of pyroelectricity

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.2.4]

3.2.4

reduced LN

LN treated with a reduction process

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.2.5, modified – Note 1 to entry has been removed.]

3.2.5

reduced LT

LT treated with a reduction process

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.2.6, modified – Note 1 to entry has been removed.]

3.2.6

single domain

ferroelectric crystal with uniform electrical polarization throughout (for LN and LT)

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.2.2]

3.3 Terms and definitions related to all crystals

3.3.1

congruent composition

chemical composition of a single crystal in a thermodynamic equilibrium with a molten solution of the same composition during the growth process

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.3.2]

3.3.2

lattice constant

length of unit cell along a major crystallographic axis measured by X-ray using the Bond method

[SOURCE: IEC 62276:2016, 3.3.1]

3.3.3

twin

two or more same single crystals which are combined together by the law of symmetrical plane or axis

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3.4 Flatness

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3.4.1

fixed quality area

FQA

central area of a wafer surface, defined by a nominal edge exclusion, X, over which the specified values of a parameter apply

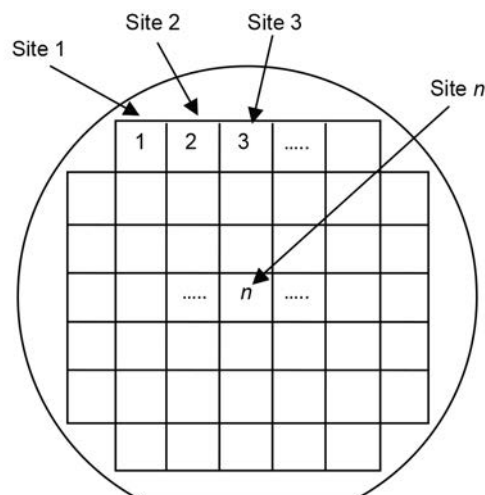
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3.4.2

local thickness variation

LTV

variation determined by a measurement of a matrix of sites with defined edge dimensions



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Figure 1 – Example of site distribution for LTV measurement