



# $\text{La}_5\text{Ca}_9\text{Cu}_{24}\text{O}_{41}$ Layers as 1D Heat Spreader for Thermal Management Solutions

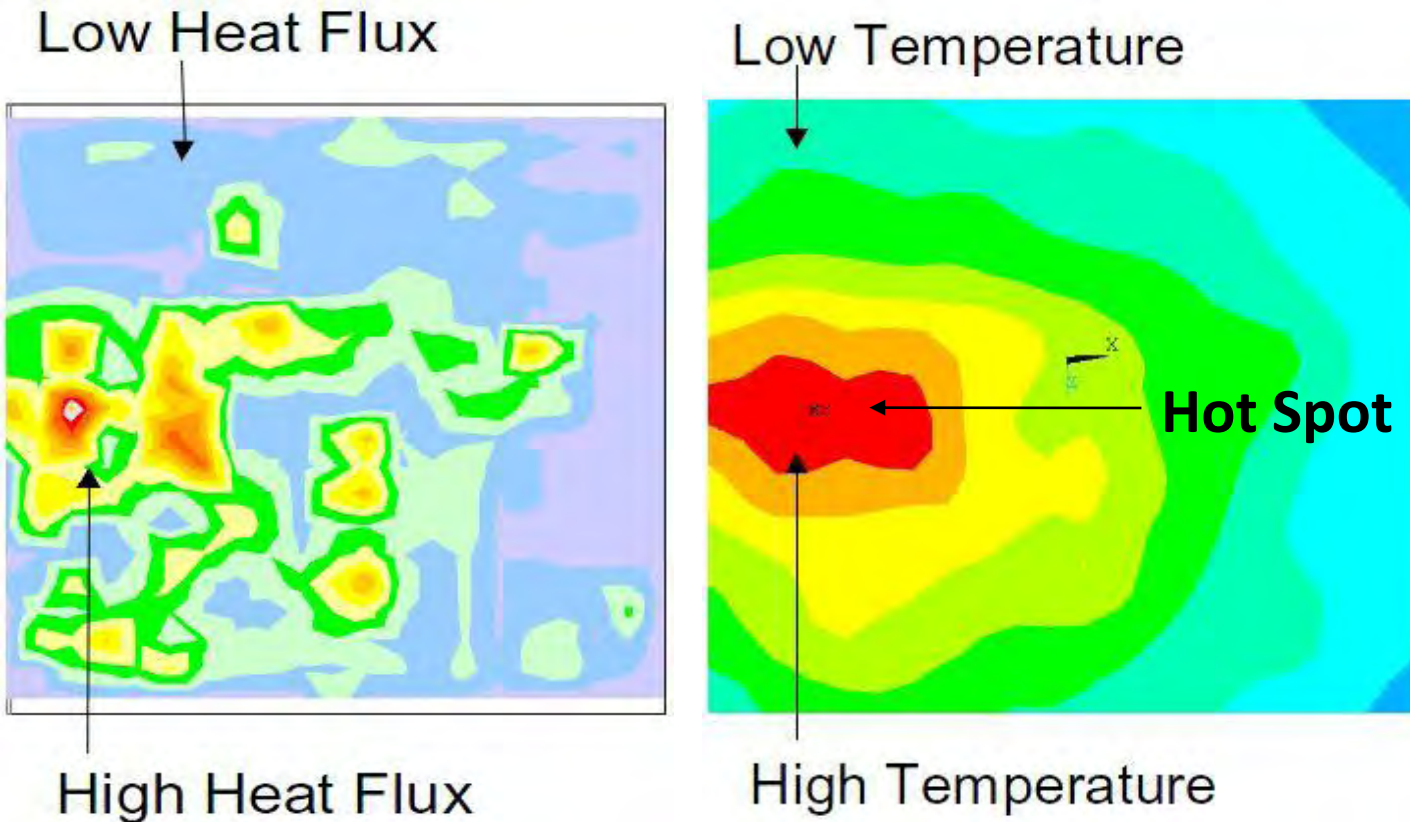
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# Thermal Management Problem

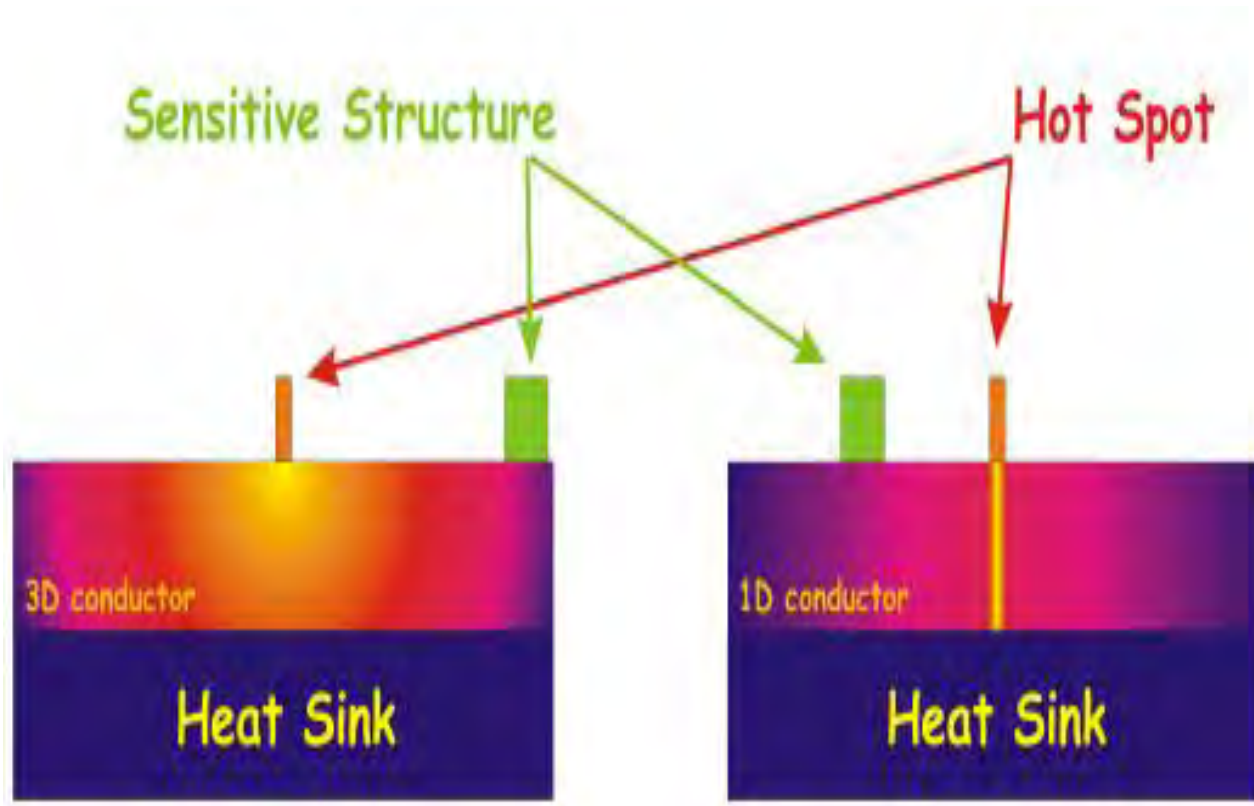


- Operating System  $\rightarrow$  Flux Spots, Hot Spots

- Operating at high T  $\rightarrow$  more possibilities to failure

R. Viswanath et al., *Intel Technology Journal*, Q3, 2000

# Thermal Management Solution – The Idea

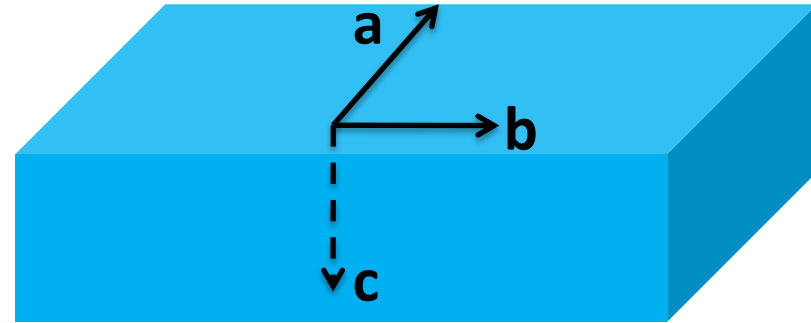




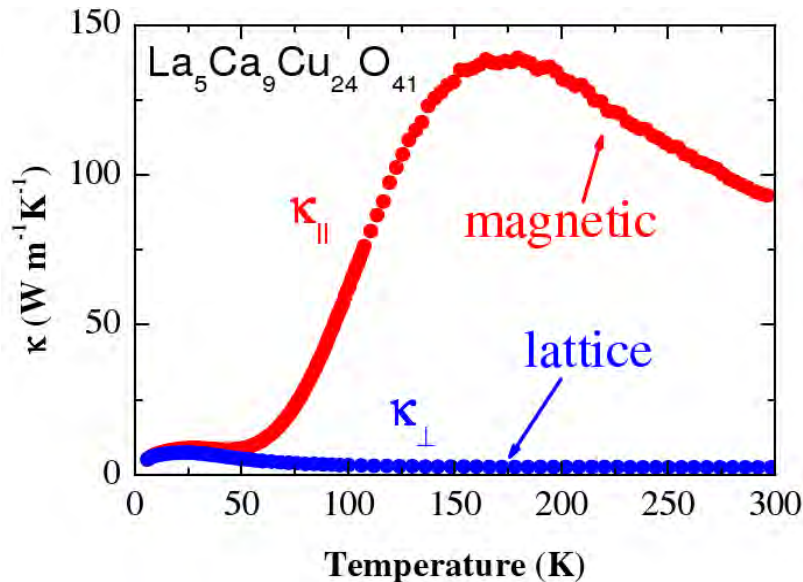
# The $\text{La}_5\text{Ca}_9\text{Cu}_{24}\text{O}_{41}$ material

***Thermally Conducting but electrically insulating***

$\text{La}_5\text{Ca}_9\text{Cu}_{24}\text{O}_{41}$  layer c-axis oriented :



## Thermal Conductivity



at Room Temperature:

$$\kappa_a = \kappa_b \approx \underline{\underline{1 \text{ W/m}\cdot\text{K}}}$$

&

$$\kappa_c \approx \underline{\underline{100 \text{ W/m}\cdot\text{K}}}$$

The heat conduction was modeled by solving the **steady state, two-dimensional heat conduction equation**:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \kappa_x \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \kappa_y \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) = 0$$

A normal **heat flux** is applied at the top of the silicon operating elements using **Fourier's law**:

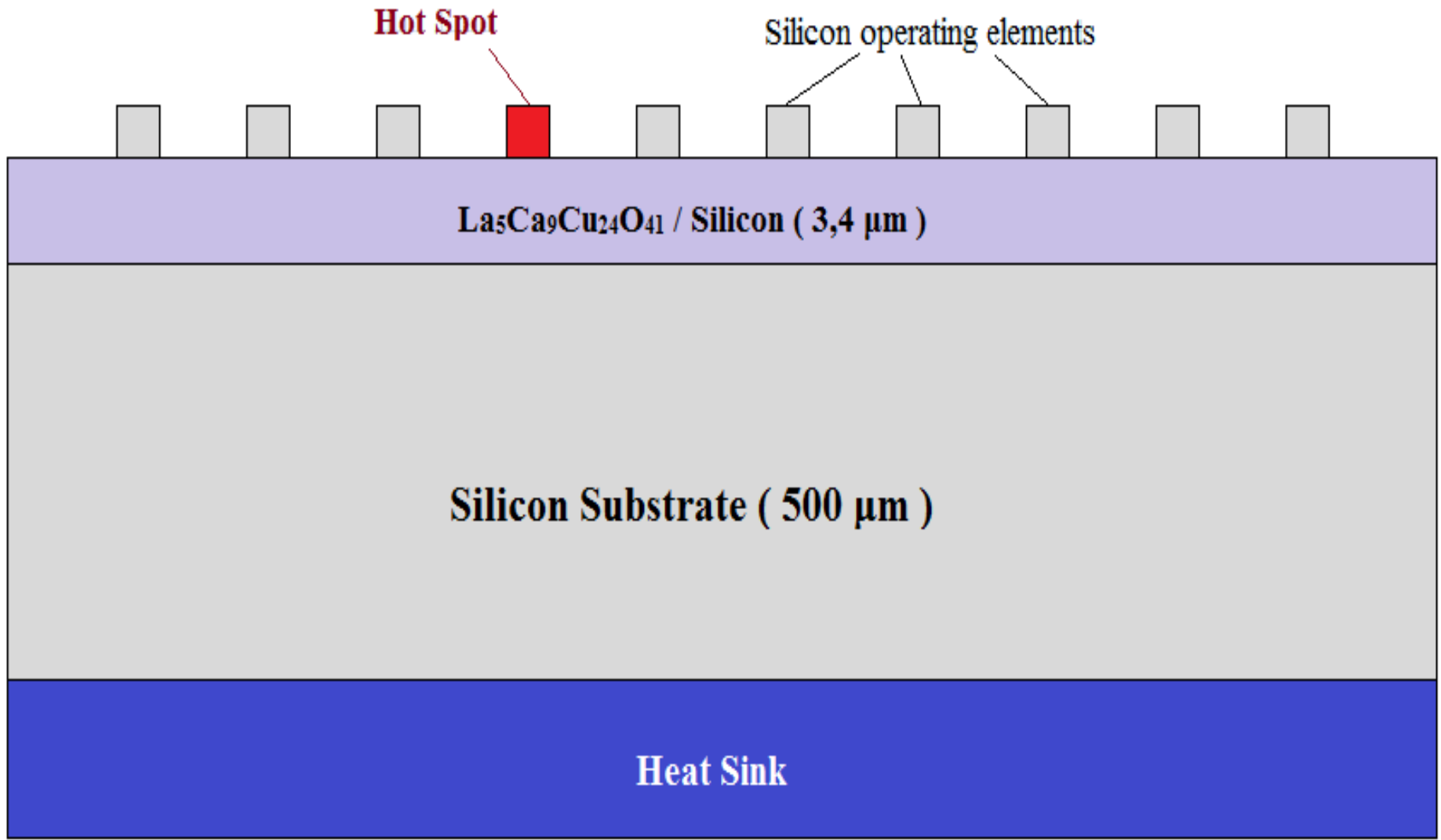
$$Q_y = -\kappa_y \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right)$$

$Q_y$  = heat flux

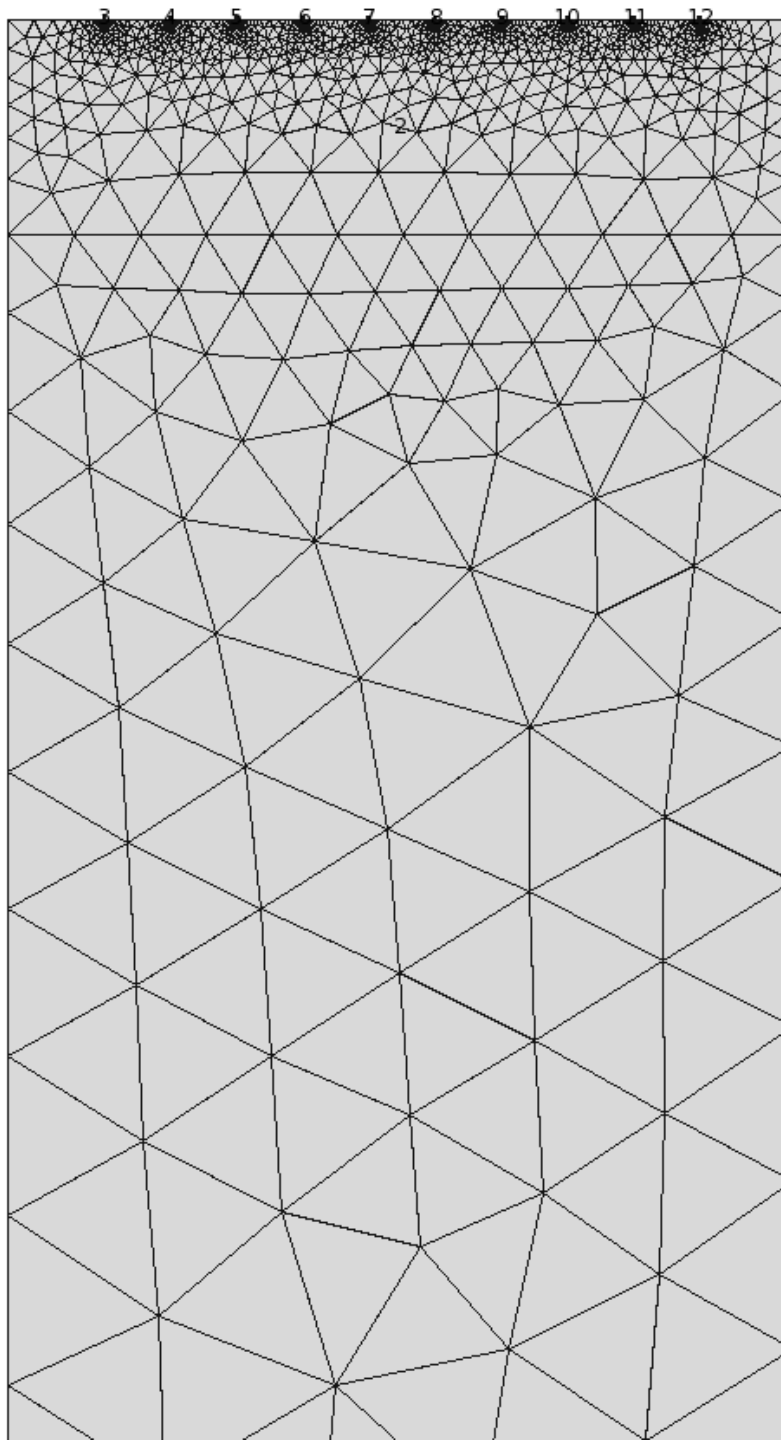
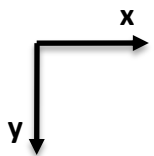
$T$  = absolute temperature

$\kappa_x, \kappa_y$  = local values of thermal conductivity

# Set up problem



# Mesh

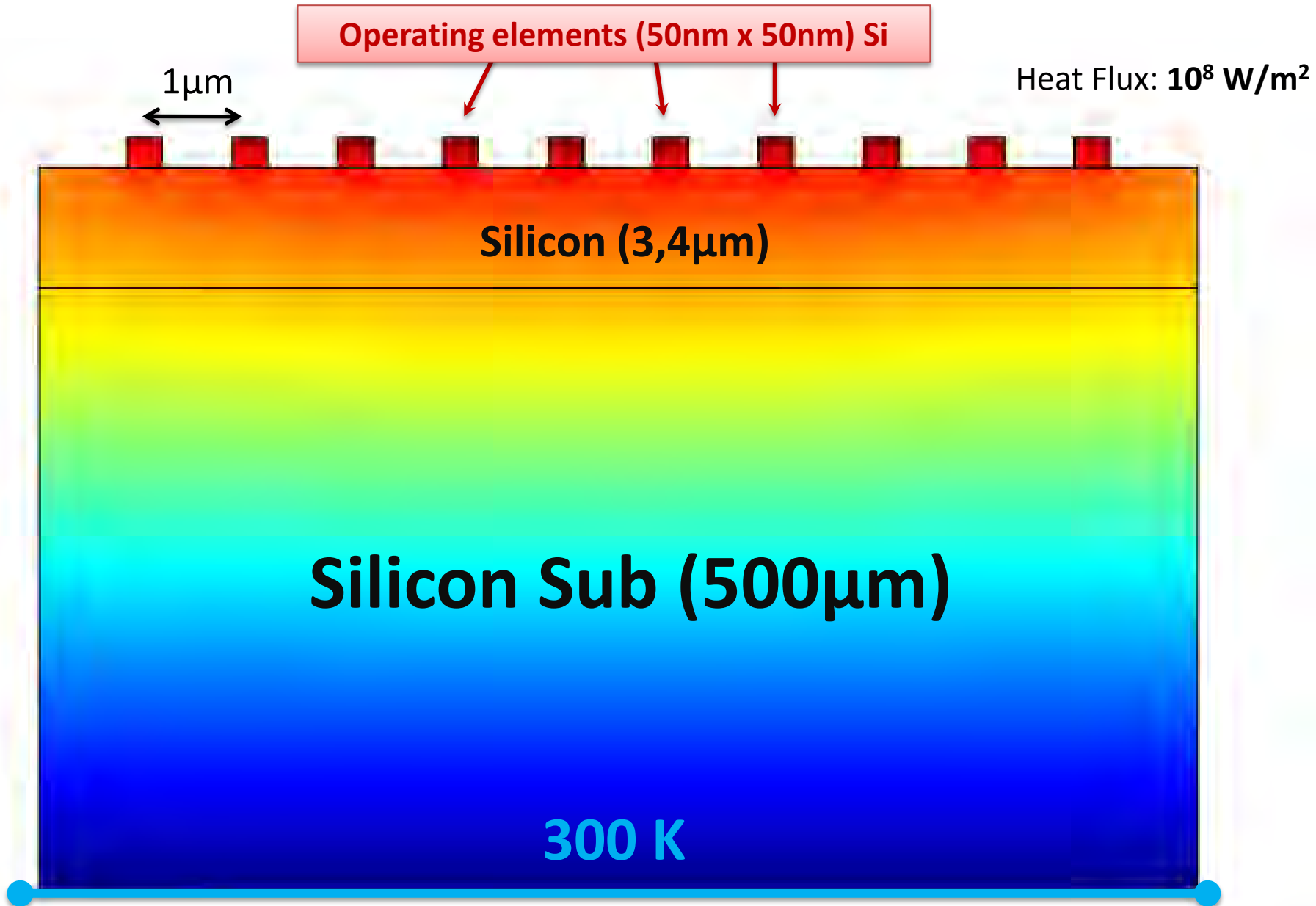


- Free Triangular
- 3074 elements

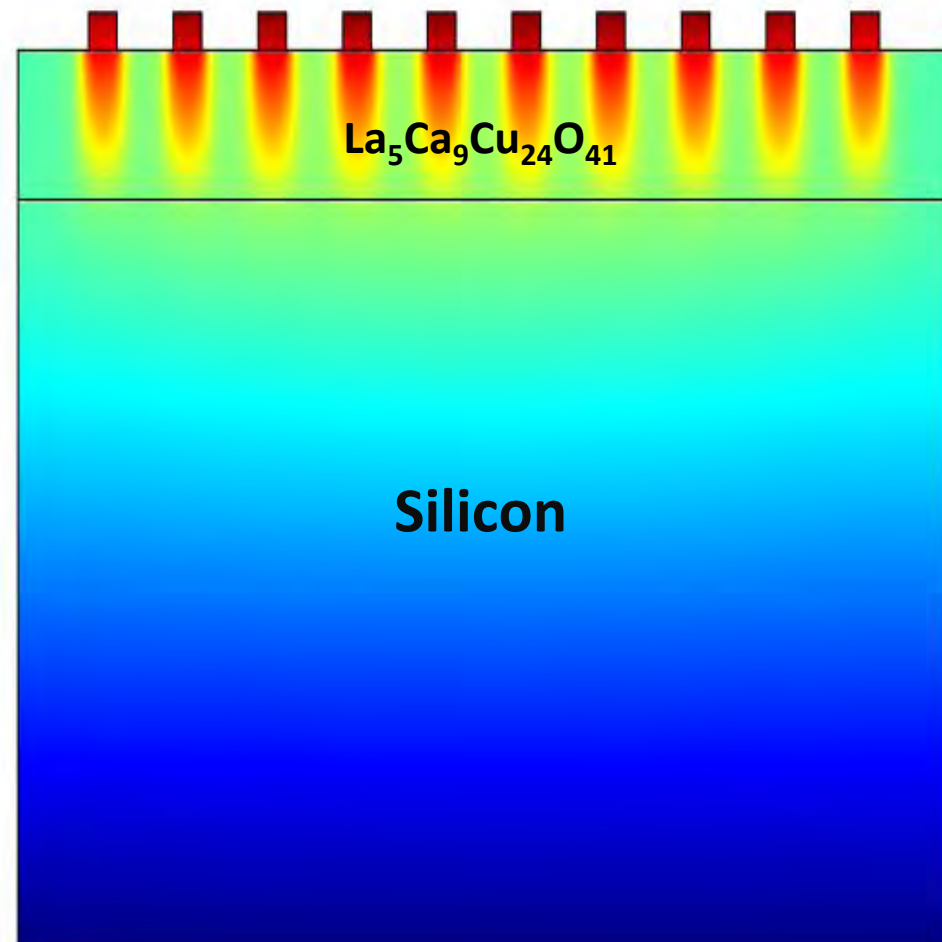
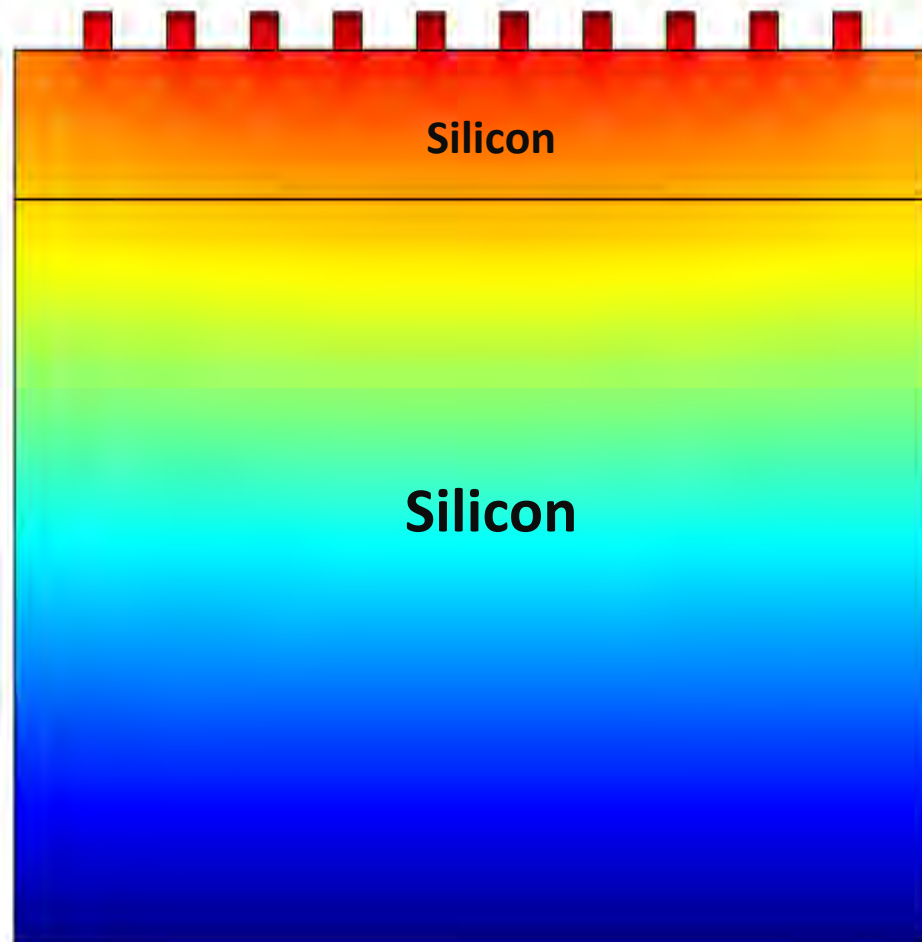




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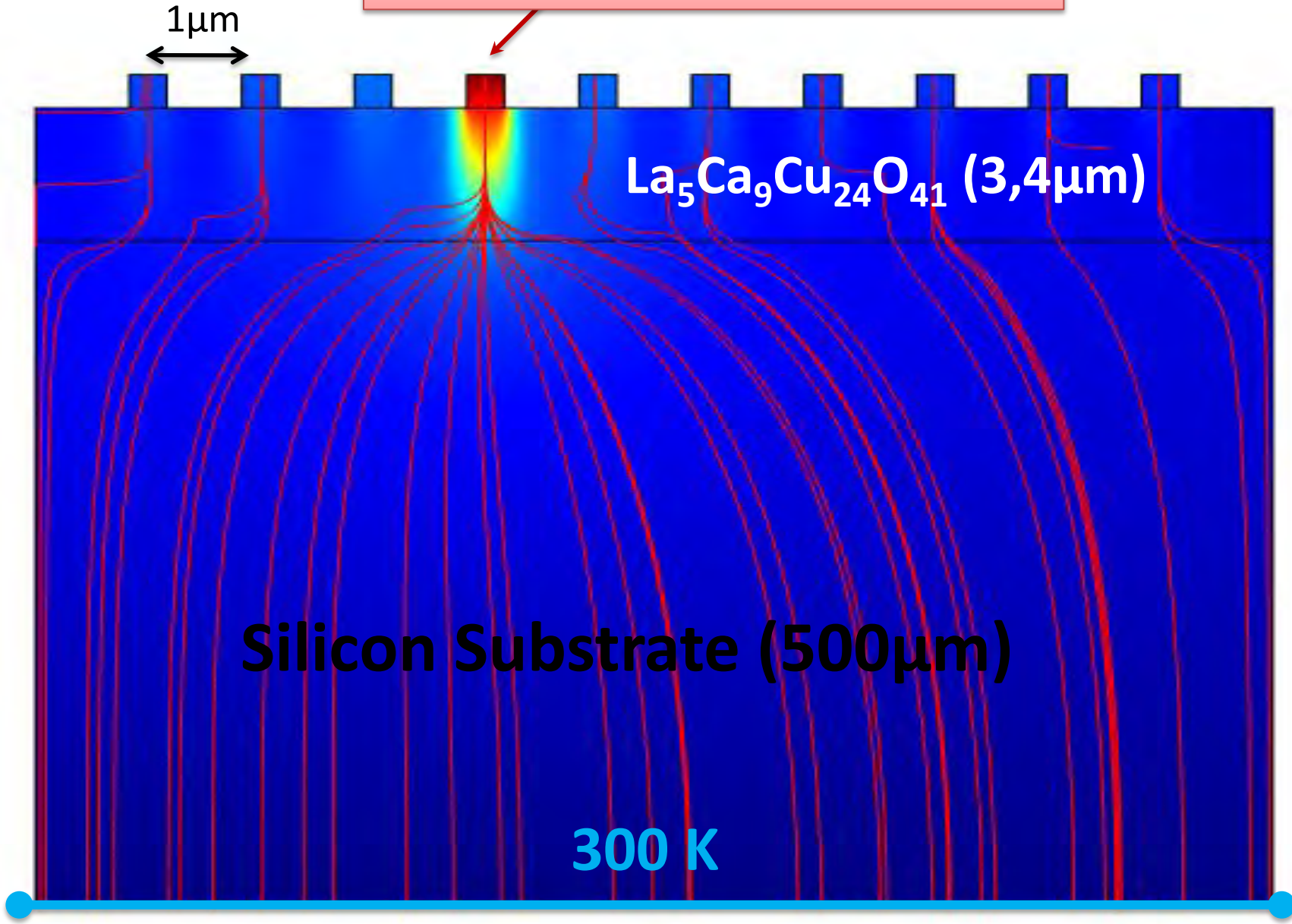
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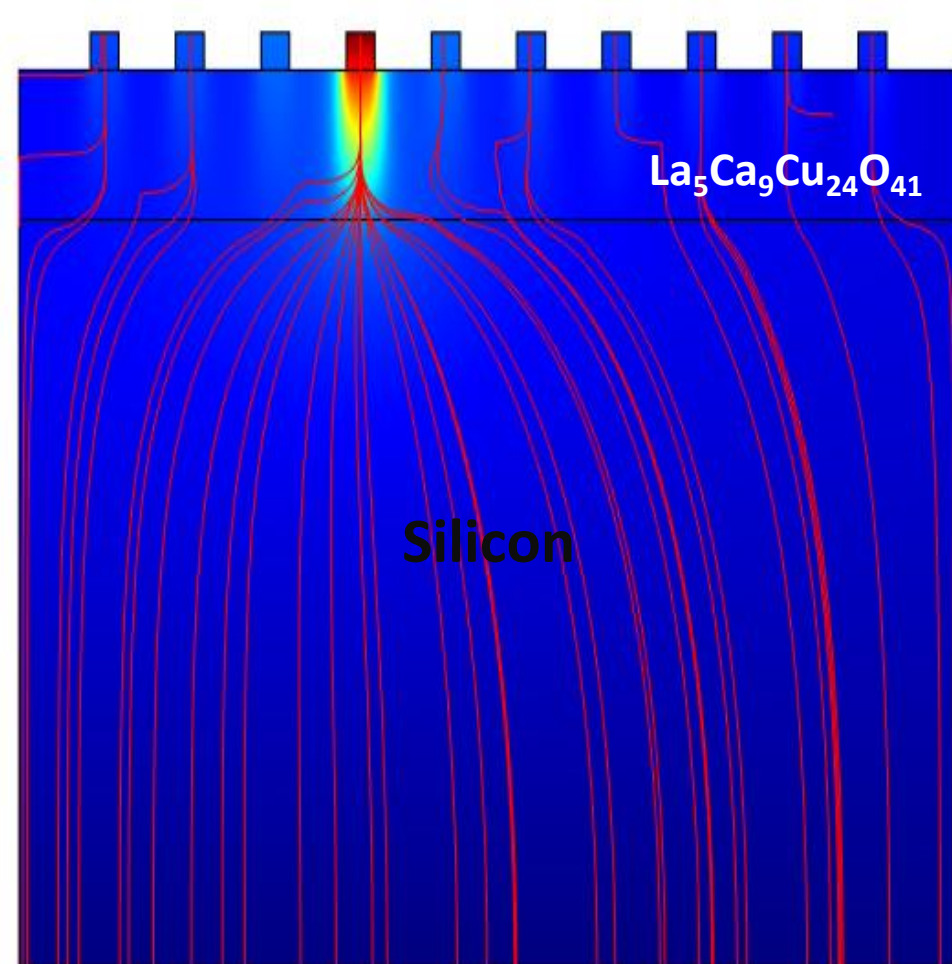
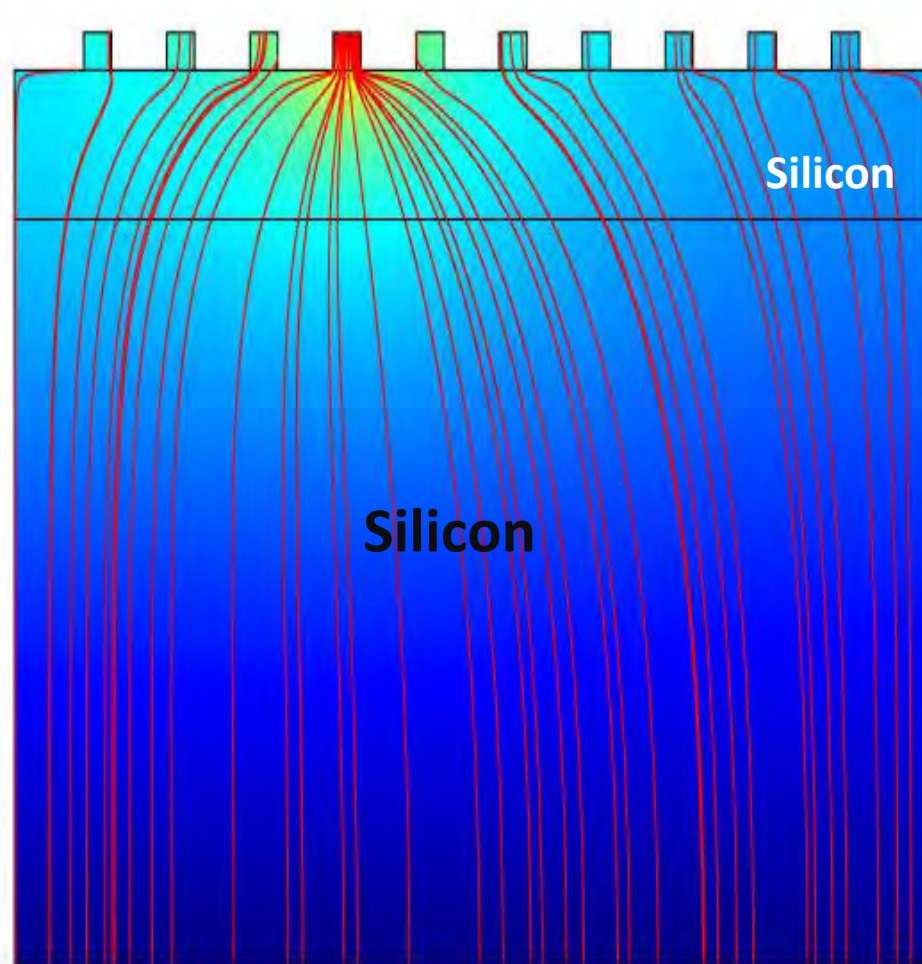


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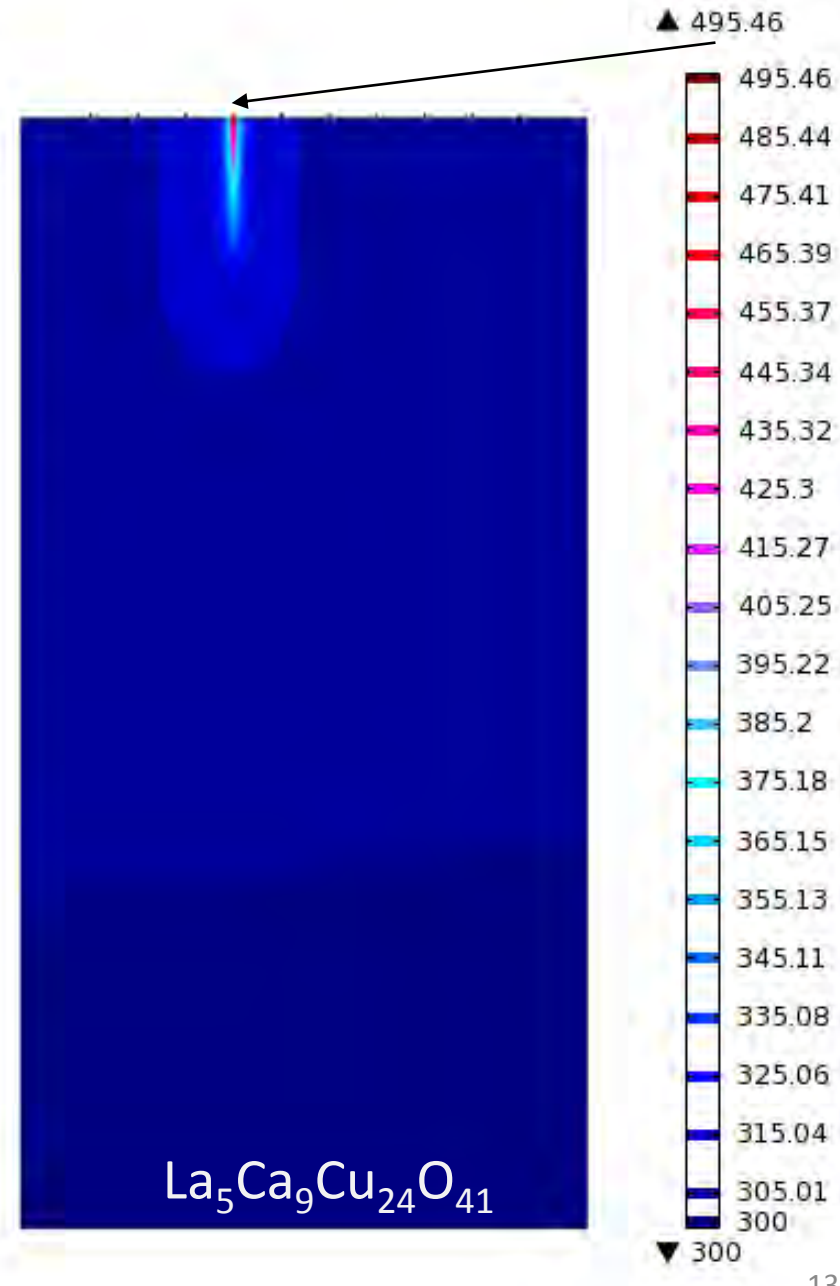
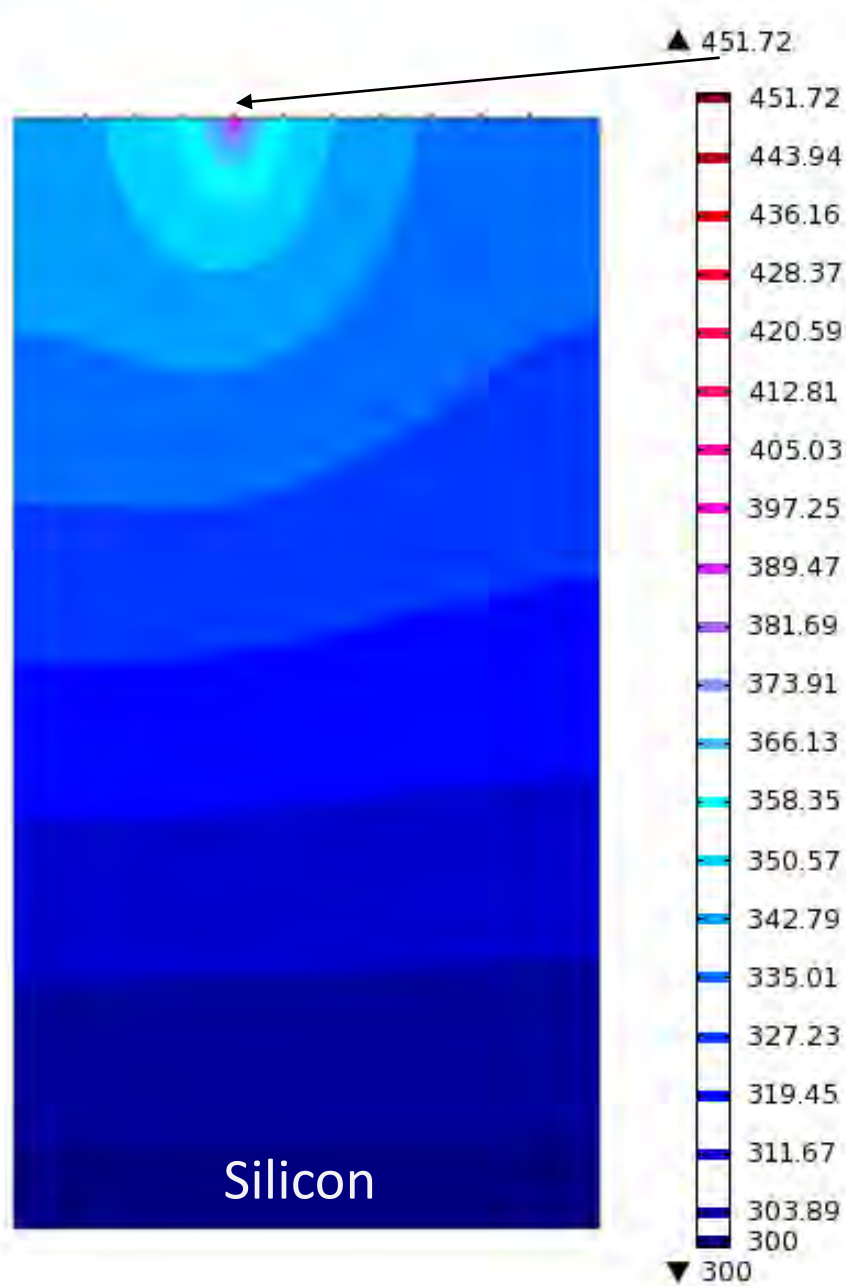
Hot Spot:  $10^{10}$  W/m<sup>2</sup> heat flux,  
adjacent operating elements:  $10^8$  W/m<sup>2</sup>



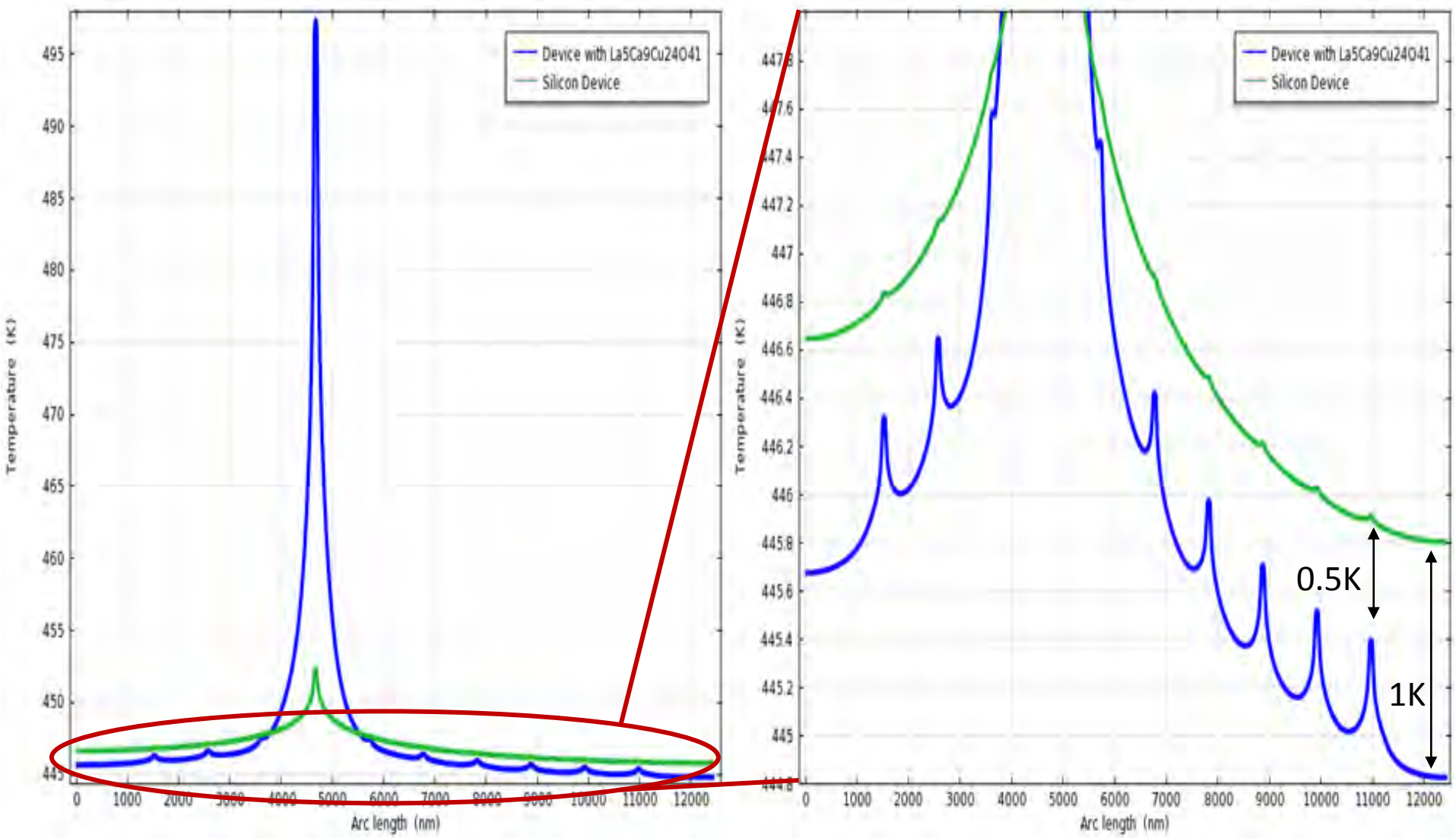
# Set up problem



# Isotherms



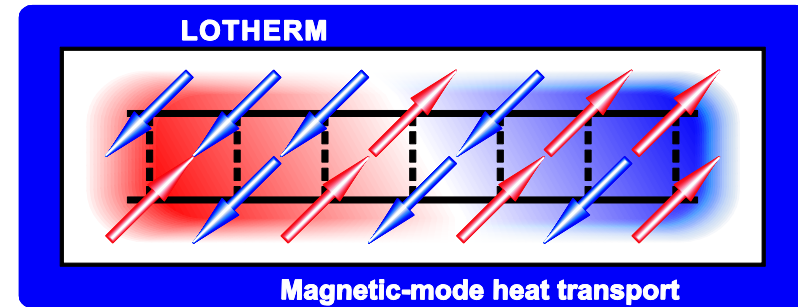
# Temperature Profiles



- Introducing  $\text{La}_5\text{Ca}_9\text{Cu}_{24}\text{O}_{41}$  layers  $\rightarrow$  “protecting” the adjacent operating elements due to the 1D heat conduction
- Although we are introducing thermal resistance in the device we reduce the T of the adjacent operating elements by almost 1 degree
- Each degree reduction of temperature in the electronic devices can increase their lifetime!

- **Simulate layers of the order of nanometers**
- **How much we can approach reality by using COMSOL Multiphysics**

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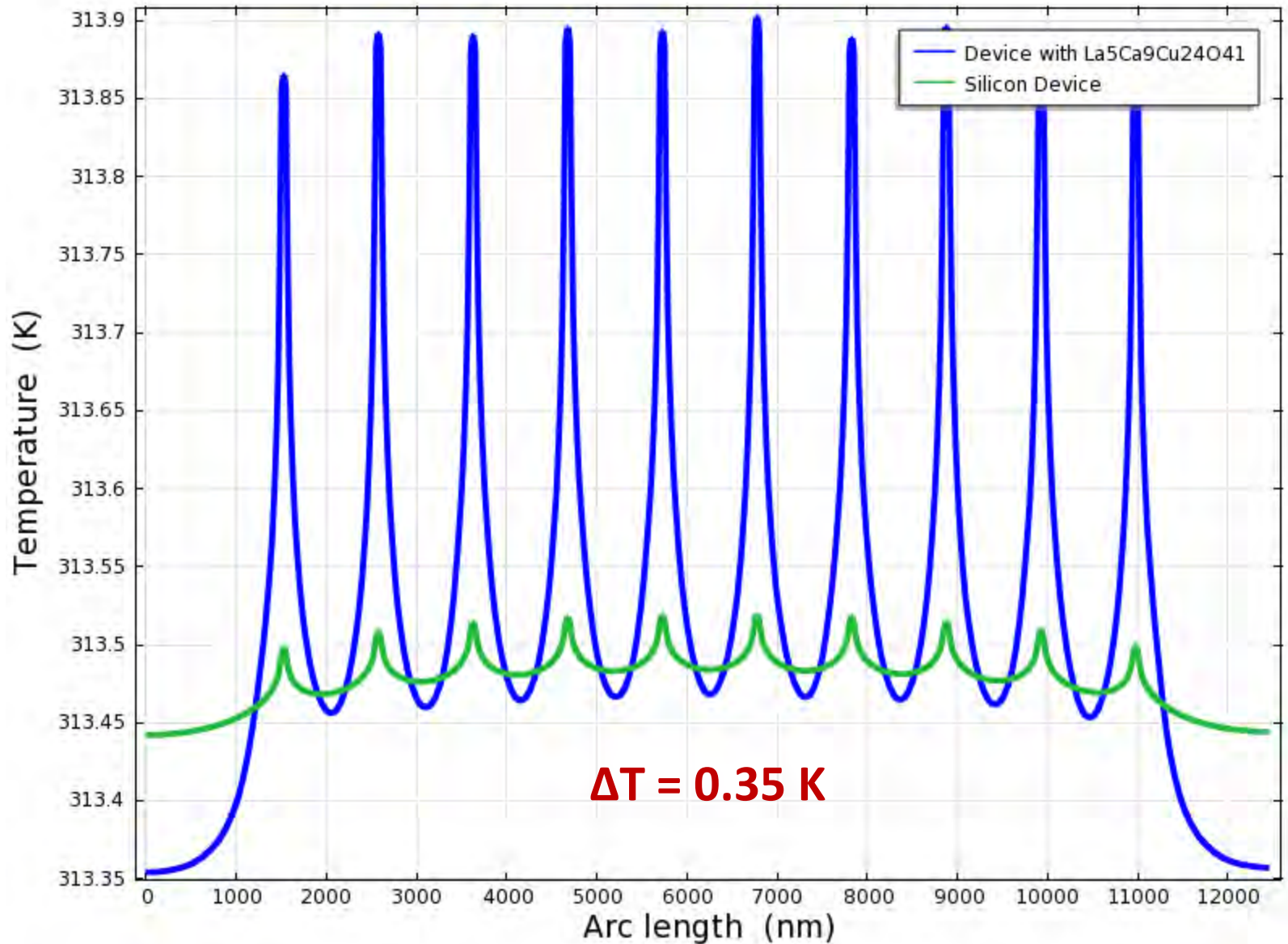


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# Operating Temperature, $\kappa_{\text{LCCO}} = \{1, 100, 1\} \text{ W/m}^*\text{K}$



# Operating Temperature, $\kappa_{\text{LCCO}} = \{1, 550, 1\} \text{ W/m}^*\text{K}$

