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#### **ABSTRACT**

The project is known as Lot Testing Scheduling System for Infineon (LTSS). This software project is purposely developed to help Module Assembly and Test department of Qimonda, Infineon for schedule testing lot of production line. LTSS assists APT production line to work productively. The testing lot will moved to APT after completed Advantest, so LTSS responsible to plan the start lot time and cluster (tester) will used for testing. Firstly, LTSS can estimate the expected finish time of active lotiat APT. Secondly, LTSS calculate the expected start time and expected finish time of waiting lot. At the same time, LTSS plan appropriate cluster for the waiting lots. In doing these modules, the measurements such as operation, module type, number of mother boards, and testing flow need to be count on. This software project is developed by using MS Visual Basic version 6 and MS Access for database. The methodology being applied in the system is Rational Unified Process (RUP). The reasons for the proven framework RUP being chosen because needs to work with the users of Infineon to explore their requirements and refining these through many versions until an adequate system has been developed.

### **ABSTRAK**

Projek ini dikenali sebagai Lot Testing Scheduling System for Infineon (LTSS). Projek ini dibangunkan bertujuan untuk membantu Module Test and Assembly Department di Qimonda, Infineon menjadualkan lot ujian di baris pengeluaran. LTSS dapat membantu baris pengeluaran iaitu Application Test (APT) untuk meningkatkan produktiviti. Lot diuji akan dipindahkan ke APT apabila lot tersebut sudah habis diuji di Advantest, oleh itu LTSS bertanggungjawab untuk menjadualkan masa bermula dan perkakas ujian yang akan diguna. Pertama, LTSS boleh menjangka masa tamat uji untuk lot yang aktif di APT. Kedua, LTSS juga menjangka masa mula dan masa tamat bagi lot yang sedang menunggu di APT. Pada masa yang sama, LTSS merancang perkakas ujian untuk lot yang sedang menunggu di APT. Dalam membuat modul-modul tersebut, ukuran-ukuran untuk proses pengujian seperti operasi, jenis modul, bilangan motherboard dan juga cara pengujian perlu diambil kira. Projek perisian ini dibangunkan dengan menggunakan MS Visual Basic Version 6 dan combinasi MS Access untuk pangkalan data. Metadologi yang digunakan dalam sistem ini ialah Rational Unified Process (RUP). RUP dipilih disebabkan sistem ini perlu bekerja dengan pihak pengguna Infineon sepanjang masa sistem dibangunkan untuk mendedah permintaan pengguna bersama dan seterusnya menghasil sistem sehingga versi yang sesuai.

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### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

**PSM** Project Sarjana Muda.

Lot Testing Scheduling System for Infineon LTSS

Microsoft Visual Basic version 6 VB6

APT **Application Test** 

**RAM** Random Access Memory

**GUI** Graphical User Interface

Object-oriented Analysis and Design OOAD

RUP Rational Unified Process

, FIFO First Come First Out

LIFO Last In First Out

Transfer Control Protocol/ Internet Protocol TCP/ IP

**SQL** Structure Query Language

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Unit test UT

Module test MT

SIT System Integration Test

V1.0Version 1.0

**UML** Unified Modeling Language

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### **CHAPTER I**

#### INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 **Project Background**

Infineon Technologies (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. is one of the largest semiconductor manufacturers in Melaka. Their products are DRAM, Small Signal Devices, Power Products and Logic Products. Qimonda is one of the main companies of Infineon Technologies, it focused on the production of memory products such as DRAM and SDRAM chips. Module Test and Assembly Department is the testing department for Qimonda, it responsible to test the memory RAM before delivery.

The proposed system is developed for Module Test and Assembly Department. The system is known as Lot Testing Scheduling System for Infineon (LTSS). It is a scheduling system that enables to assist production planner to assign starting time and machine to test the memory product.

The memory RAM which tested in production line is called modules. Advantest is a production line for writing data into modules by machines. Once the modules completed Advantest, the modules is collected and placed as a lot. The lot of modules waits to send to Application Test (APT) production line for test a module whether is in good or defective condition. The waiting lot is in status "Wait for APT".

When a lot moved to APT, production planner needs to assign a lot test at appropriate tester which called cluster. Cluster is formed by four racks of mother boards, there are 60 of mother boards for one cluster.

There are 20 clusters at APT which controlled by servers. Different clusters support different of module types of modules. There are many module types of modules, a module type can has more than one supported cluster. So production planner needs a scheduling system to assist them to predict what lot can be moved at a time, what time a lot can be finished and what time a lot can be moved.

#### 1.2 Problem Statements

A few problems found at production line APT during lot movement and scheduling activities (equipment or time) as mention as following.

In manufacturing, there is wide variety of products, process and production levels, it is very hard for production planner to coordinate and schedule production activities. Therefore, production planner takes time for decision making especially for new employees. New employee needs to undergo training and learn to work tightly with another production line.

Another problem is resource allocation is not productive since it is a complicated task at production line. Production planner needs to assign resources (equipment or time) to job, count on prioritizing jobs that require same resource and determine when a job should be started based on their experience and knowledge.

The testing process will be delayed if production planner takes long time to assign lot "Wait for APT". "Wait for APT" is status where the lot is waiting to be assigned a machine for testing.

### 1.3 Objectives

Several objectives were set to be achieved for the successful implementation of LTSS. These objectives were summarized as following:

- To produce auto scheduling time table to assist production planner.
- To smooth whole process of lot movement.
- To help production planner in decision making.
- To increase productivity and to reduce operating time.

### 1.4 Scope

Before the construction of the system commence, the scope of the project has to be determine in order to create the boundary of the system. This will keep the development of the system within a manageable scope. The scope is divided into 3 parts, which are functions, users and platform.

The LTSS consists of several main functions that make up the solutions for production planners. These functions are as described as following:

- i. Define supported testers (cluster) for each module type of memory product.
- ii. Calculate expected finish time of active lot at APT.
- iii. Calculate expected start time and expected finish time of lot at Wait for APT.
- iv. Plan tester (cluster) for each lot of Wait for APT before testing.

The target users for LTSS are the administrator, engineers and production planners of Module Test and Assembly Department, Qimonda, Infineon Technology. LTSS mainly assist APT for purpose schedule lot testing.

While the platform used is Window, Window MS Window 2000 Professional and MS Windows XP Professional are recommended. This is because current