

RFID in the Packaging World

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Consumer Packaged Goods

\$3 trillion yearly

\$1 trillion may be unnecessary

Theft, fraud, damage, loss, error, expiry, overpackaging (slow delivery), ignorance of needs.....

RFID can tackle about \$400 billion yearly



The world's supply chains are out of control

- "CPG shrinkage is \$60 billion yearly of \$3 trillion turnover." ECR Europe
- "75% of the cost of a retail product is getting it there."
- "Up to 20% of foods are discarded due to spoilage through the supply chain." Food and Drug Administration
- We are still searching for foods containing the Sudan B carcinogen three years later

RFID can assist with many packaging challenges

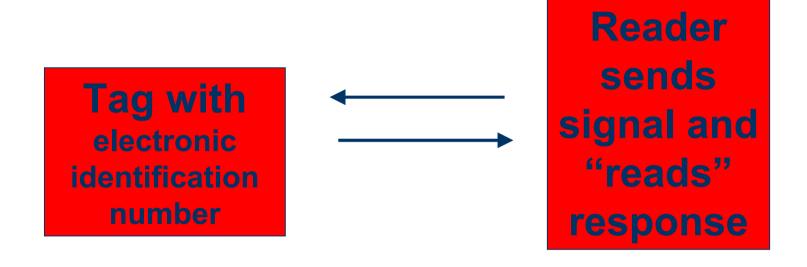
- Stockouts at retailers cost six percent of sales. One third of these are items in the retailer's store.
 Procter & Gamble
- "Medication non-compliance costs the US alone approximately \$100 billion and 125,000 deaths yearly" US National Pharmaceutical Council
 We need packages that record what was taken when, prompt us, display performance.
- Counterfeits: Perfume 15%; Aircraft and automotive parts 10%; Pharmaceuticals 10% (In third world 30%); Thousands

of deaths every year Industry estimates

RFID has few problems of obscuration, orientation or reading many at a time



RFID System Basics



RFID is an enabling technology like the wheel or paper

In healthcare it prevents errors and counterfeiting and locates people and assets

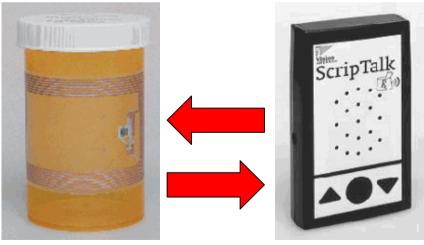
In retailing/ CPG it reduces costs and increases sales



Short Range Passive RFID Examples





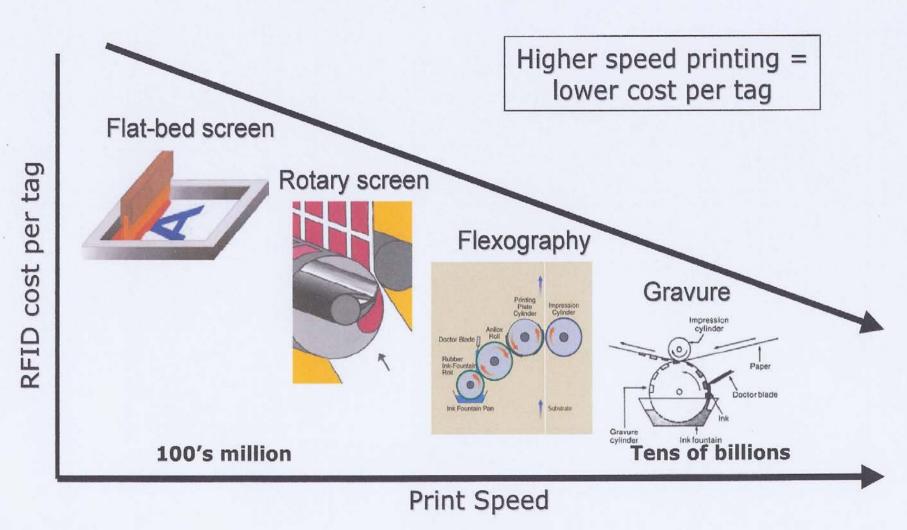


Example: Gillette razor packs

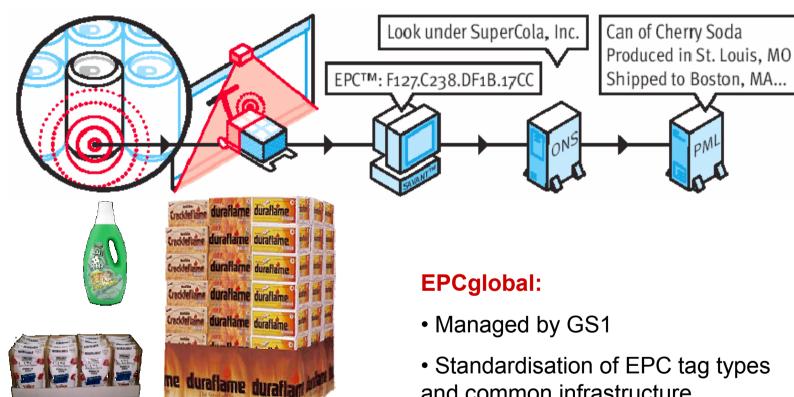




Omron, Avery Dennison etc use gravure to print RFID antennas NOW



The Electronic Product Code (EPC) System unique electronic ID for everything



RFID Tagged Products, Cases or Pallets

- Standardisation of EPC tag types and common infrastructure
- Over 1000 sponsor companies



Example: Smart Shelves



A smart shelf system for DVDs in a Tesco supermarket in the UK that has increased sales by 4% (10%?) due to reducing stockouts

Retail Mandates for pallets and cases

Wal-Mart (\$200Bn +):

RFID enabled 475 stores, 1000 by year end

300 suppliers tagging cases and pallets of top products

Currently receive 3 million tagged cases per week (May 06)

Massive payback for Wal-Mart: Out of Stocks reduced by up to 48%; stores with RFID 63% more effective at replenishing items

Major competitive advantage for retailers

Usually no benefit for CPG companies supplying them

Retail Mandates – pallet and case RFID

Procter & Gamble

Fusion blades - sales increase 19% by timely arrival at shelf

Hanna Candle company

90 pallets worth \$12.6M went missing but were found

Altria Group (\$97Bn), owner of Miller, Kraft, Philip Morris

"Pallet/case tagging is a pain barrier – item level tagging is our utopia"

CONTRAST

The US Military shares the benefit with the CPG company

Some European retailers seek mutuality of benefit

Item level tagging (mainly packages) benefits everyone

Passive RFID: Main operating frequencies













125KHz=LF

13.56MHz=HF

UHF

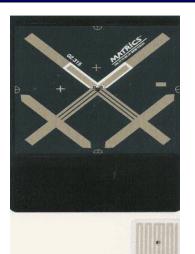
2.45GHz

Inductive antenna - flooding

Electric antenna - beaming

Very Popular

UHF tags need very different antennas IDTechEx for different applications











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RFID without a silicon chip – printed directly onto packaging

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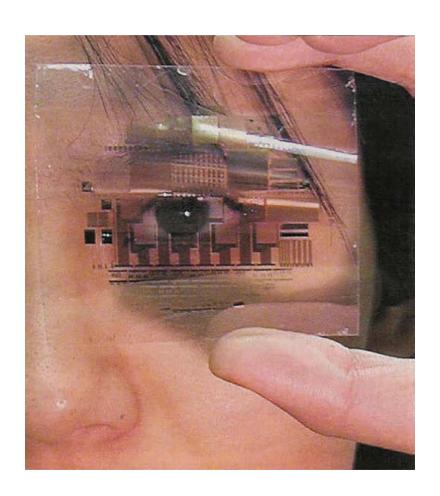
Trials of this primitive form of RFID by Mreal Finland, Acreo Sweden and Somark USA



Conductive ink stripes



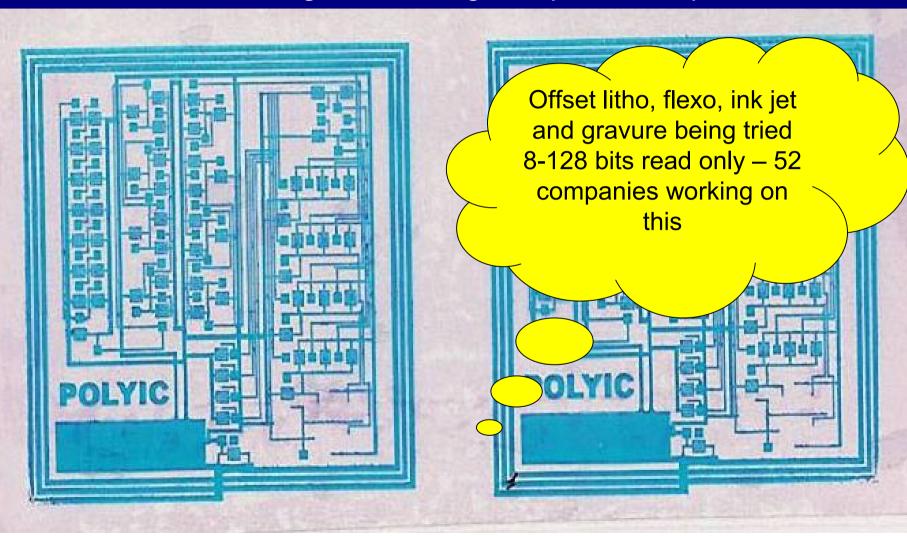
Printed Thin Film Transistor Circuits on Plastic Film (and eventually packaging)



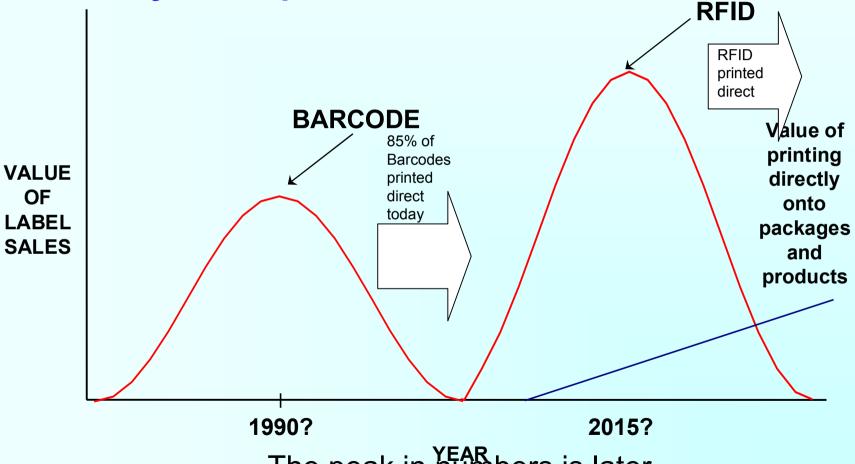
60+ companies

Philips, Plastic Logic, Epson, Canon, Xerox, IBM, PolyIC, OrganicID, Infineon, 3M...

Experimental fully printed RFID labels - insulating, semiconducting, conducting and protective patterns

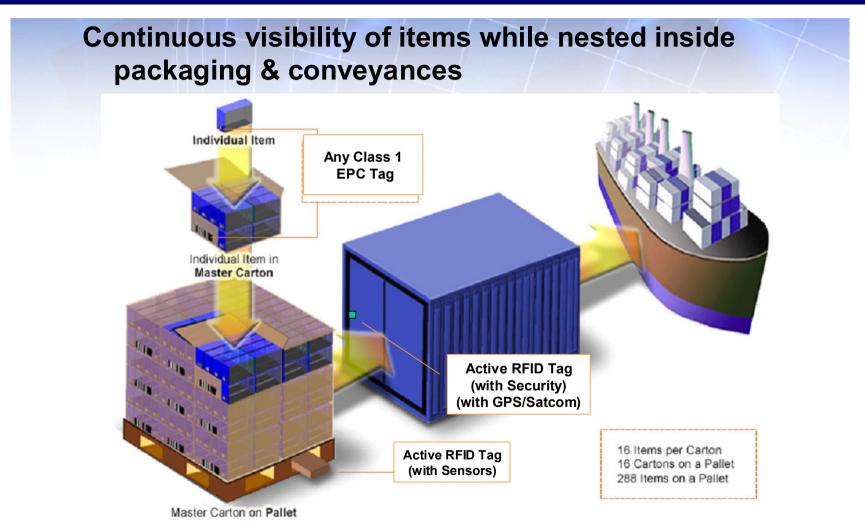


High volume item level RFID tagging History will repeat itself - almost



The peak in humbers is later

Total Asset Visibility – Active RFID in the military



Global Potential (Billion/Year)

0.1
0.1
1
1
1
2
2
2
2
2
2
2
30
40
50
100
650
10,000

RFID Leadership

Singapore Europe Thailand, S America, US, Eur. **Europe** Japan, Europe China US **Europe/US Europe/US** US US, China US US **US**, Europe Japan China, US **Europe** Europe/Japan/US

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IDTechEx Forecast For RFID 2006

(Range over 0.5cm, digitally-encoded)

2006

- \$2.71 billion
- 45% tags (passive and active)
- 43% passive RFID systems (excluding tags)
- 12% active RFID systems (excluding tags)

Printed transistor circuits making little impact as yet

For further information read:



RFID Forecasts, Players, Opportunities 2006-2016

Active RFID 2006-2016

Item Level RFID 2006-2016

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