

ABSTRACT

A surface mount electrical connector which occupies a reduced area on a circuit board. The surface mount electrical connector (1) includes an insulative housing (2) mounted on a circuit board (100) and a plurality of aligned electrical contacts (4), each having a held section (4b) which is held by the housing (2). In the surface mount electrical connector (1) with a tine (4c) of each of the electrical contacts (4) formed in a manner so as to be surface mounted on the circuit board (100), the tine (4c) extends from the held section (4b) and remains inside of an outer contour line of the housing (2) projected on the circuit board (100). The housing (2) has an opening (52) or a notch that allows access to the tine (4c) from outside of the housing (2), and coplanarity of the tines (4c) with respect to the circuit board (100) is achievable by correcting a displacement of the tine (4c) with a jig (60) inserted from the opening (52) or notch.