

Optical Backplanes

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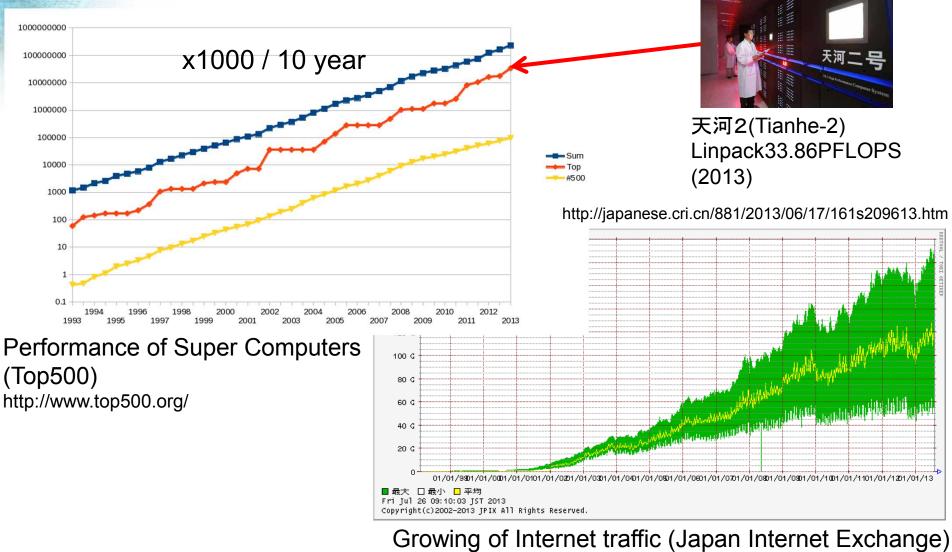
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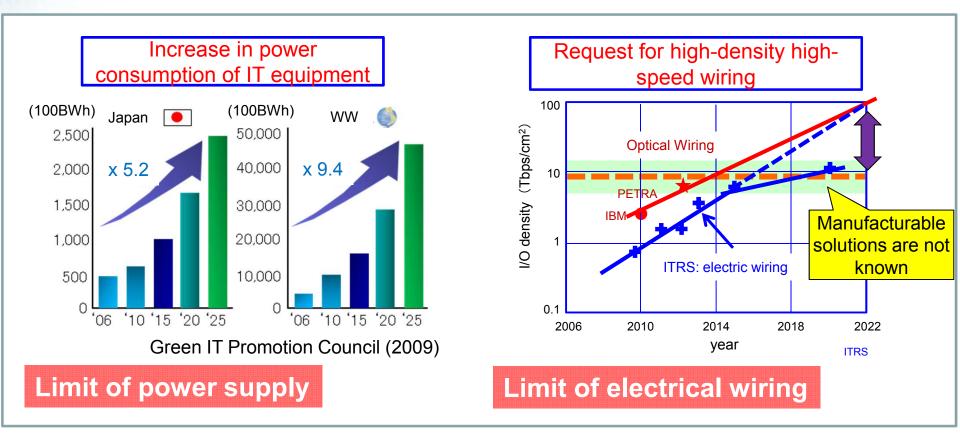
Background (1)



http://www.jpix.ad.jp/jp/technical/traffic.html



Background (2)





Optical Backplane

Breakthrough of limits of metal interconnection ?

Metal interconnection has...

- Crosstalk
- Signal reflection
- Signal dissipation
- Skin effect
- EMC, EMI



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Definition of Backplane

a support surface in a computer with the electrical connections necessary to join the internal components of the computer (Merriam-webster) http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/backplane

a group of <u>electrical connectors</u> in parallel with each other, so that each pin of each connector is linked to the same relative pin of all the other connectors forming a <u>computer bus</u>. It is used as a backbone to connect several printed circuit boards together to make up a complete <u>computer system</u>. Backplanes commonly use a <u>printed circuit</u> <u>board</u> but <u>wire wrapped</u> backplanes have also been used in <u>minicomputers</u> and high reliability applications.(Wikipedia) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Backplane

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ISA Bus Backplane



ISA: Industrial Standard Architecture

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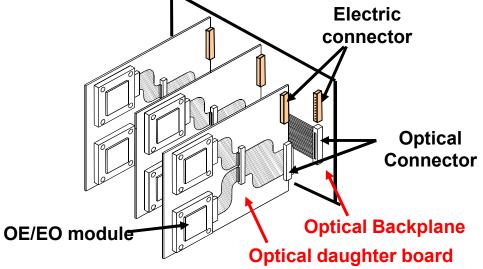
Example of Backplane of a minicomputer (PDP-8)

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Definition of Optical Backplane

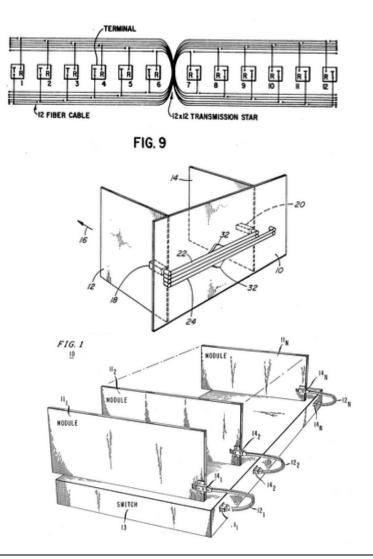
An optical **backplane** (or "backplane system") is a circuit board with group of <u>optical connectors</u> in parallel with each other, so that each signal connection of each connector is linked with optical interconnection. It is used as a backbone to connect several optical daughter boards together to make up a complete computer or server system. Optical backplane commonly use electric interconnection with electric connectors.





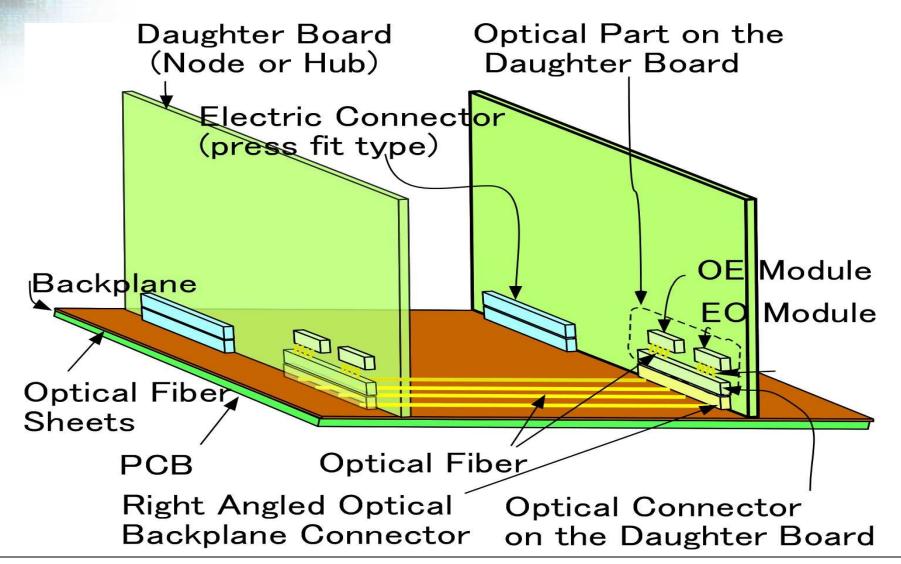
Patents of Optical Backplanes

- (Passive fiber optic data bus configurations US 4457581 (Her Majesty The Queen In Right Of Canada, 1981))
- Electronic apparatus with circuit cards and signals optically coupled therebetween US 4733093 A(Northern Telecom, 1984)
- Optical backplane US 4870637 A(AT&T Bel Lab. 1987)





Optical components for the backplane system





Classification of Optical Backplanes

- Light guiding Method
 - Passive
 - Optical fiber
 - Polymer
 - Glass
 - Waveguides
 - Polymer
 - Glass
 - Spatial
 - Active
 - Edge emitting LD,LED and PD
 - Vertical emitting LE, LED and PD

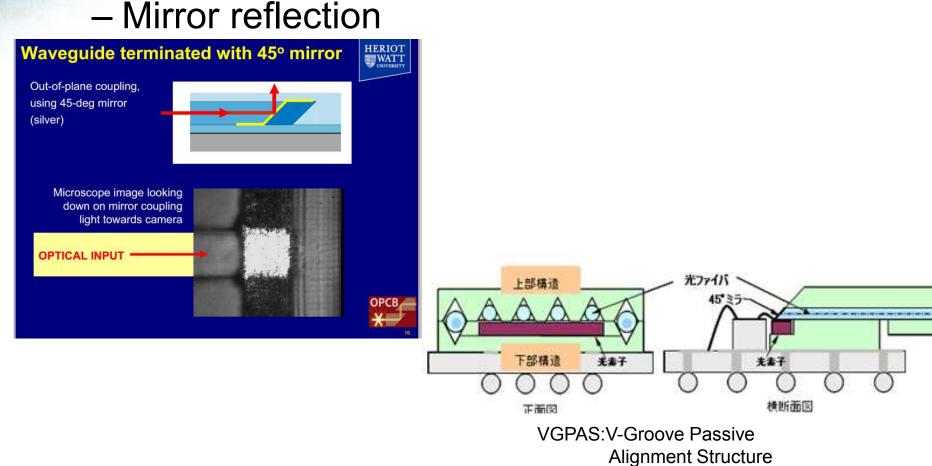


Classification of Optical Backplanes

- Right angle optical coupling
 - Mirror reflection
 - Bended lightguide
 - Hologram



Classification optical backplanes Right angle optical coupling



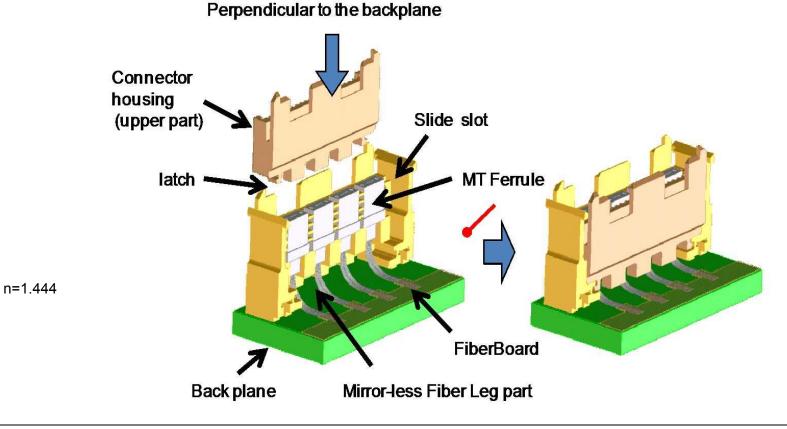
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Classification optical backplanes

Right angle optical coupling

- Bended lightguide
 - Optical fiber

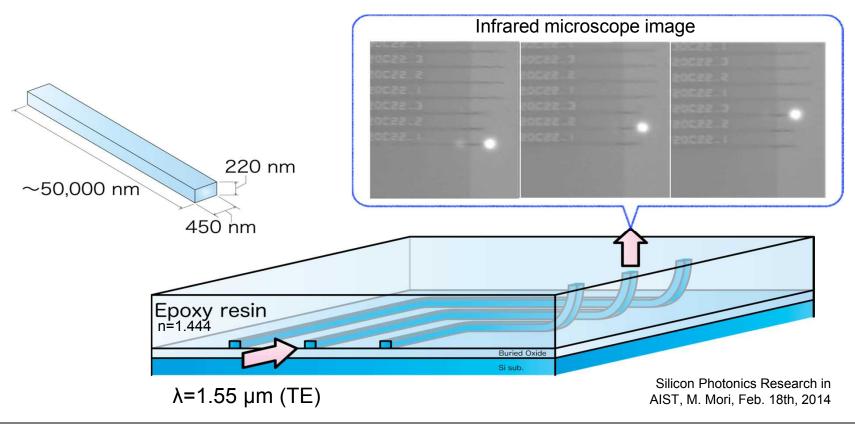




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- Bended lightguide
 - waveguide





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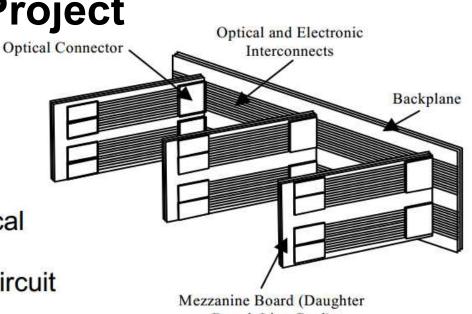
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The OPCB Project

- IeMRC, 3 year, Flagship Project
- 3 universities, 8 companies
- Integration of optical waveguides with electrical printed circuit boards



Board, Line Card)

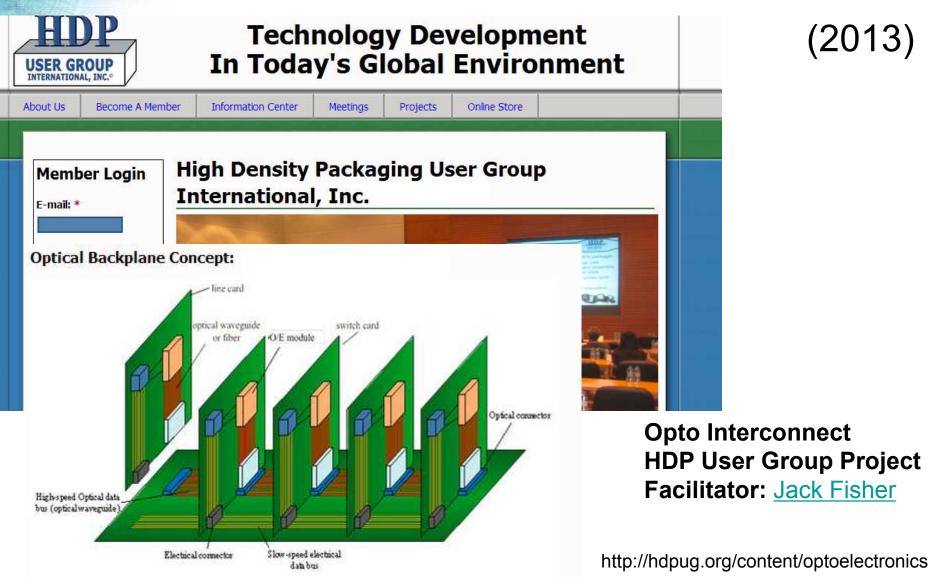
- Integrated Optical and electrical interconnected PCB (OPCB) for 19 inch backplanes and daughter cards
- High bit rate (10 Gb/s), error-free, reliable, dense connections
- CAD design tools, Fabrication Techniques, Optical-Electrical connectors

IeMRC: Innovative electronics Manufacturing Center http://www.lboro.ac.uk/research/iemrc/

http://www.lboro.ac.uk/research/iemrc/documents/EventsDocuments/SUMEEP%20wkshop%20Mar08/Integrated %20Electrical%20-%20Optical%20Substrate%20Manufacture%20final%20final%20version%20for%20web.pdf

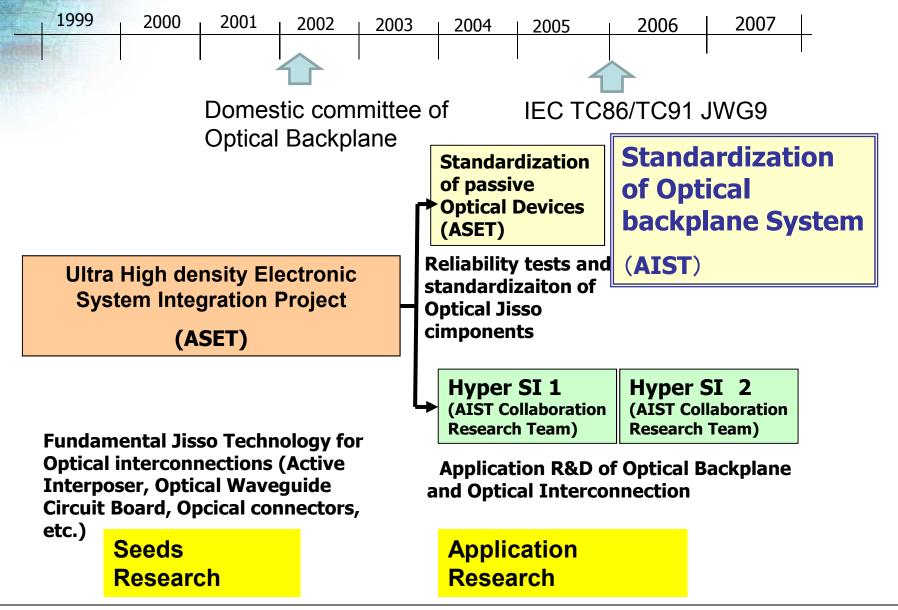


High Density Package User Group





National Research Projects in Japan





Joint Research Organization

Development of optical backplane technology has been done by Optoelectronic System Integration Collaborative Research Team, AIST.

By 20 researchers from AIST & 11 companies: Ibiden Co.,LTD. NEC Co.,LTD. NTT Advanced Technology Co., LTD. Hirose Electric Co.,LTD. Sumitomo Electric Industries, LTD. NGK Spark Plug Co.,LTD. Fuji Xerox CO., LTD. Fujikura LTD. Hitachi Chemical CO., LTD. **Ricoh CO., LTD.** Mitsui Chemicals, INC.



Researchers Research Funds



National Research Projects in Japan

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Optical Network Research

Vertically Integrated Center for Technologies of Optical Routing toward Ideal Energy Savings (VICTORIES) 2008-2017

Optical Interconnection Research

Development of Next-generation Highefficient Network Device Technology 2007-2011

> Photonics and Electronics Convergence System Technology2010-2014

Photonics-Electronics Convergent System Technology (PECST) 2009-2013

> Photonics Electronics Convergence Technology for Powe Reducing Jisso System (Optoelectronics Jisso Pj.) 2012-2021



Development of Next-generation Highefficient Network Device Technology

- > Term:FY2007 to FY2011
- Project leader: Tohru Asami, Professor of the University of Tokyo
- Sponsor: New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO)
- > Joint research organization:

PETRA (National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)) Hitachi Ltd., FUJITSU LIMITED Mitsubishi Electric Corporation, NEC Corporation NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORPORATION (NTT) Optoelectronics Industry and Technology Development Association (OITDA)) ALAXALA Networks Corporation International Superconductivity Technology Center (ISTEC) The University of Tokyo, Japan Broadcasting Corporation



Development of Next-generation Highefficient Network Device Technology

Projects

- OTDM LAN-SAN System for Ultra-high Definition TV Distribution in Broadcasting Station
- <u>40GbE Serial and 40G VSR Compact Optical Transceiver</u>
- High-speed Directly Modulated Lasers and Highly Efficient Semiconductor Optical Amplifiers
- 40G LAN-WAN and I/F conversion technologies
- Wide dynamic range wavelength converter
- > <u>100Gb/s Micro-Optical-Module for High-Density Optical Backplane</u>
- Key Device Technologies for 100Gb/s Micro-Optical Module
- High-Definition Video Transmission Demo



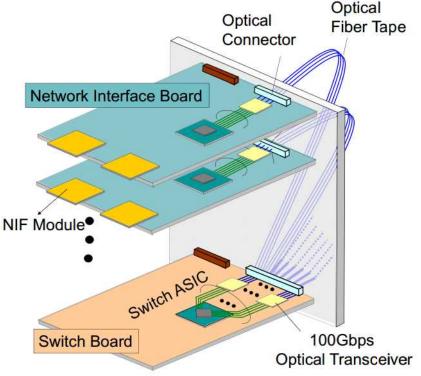
<u>100Gb/s Micro-Optical-Module for High-</u> <u>Density Optical Backplane</u>

Technical Challenges

Realize 100Gb/s transceiver with very small form factor, and low power consumption

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Micro-package : W9 x L14 x H5.3 mm Pluggable (Electrical and optical)
- Low power consumption of 2 W with highly integrated LSI (20mW /Gbps)
- 1/100 area and 1/15 power consumption of CFP transceiver



High Capacity Edge Router with Optical Backplane



Photonics and Electronics Convergence System Technology

- > Project Leader: Yasuhiko Arakawa, Professor of the University of Tokyo
- > Term: FY2010 to FY2014
- Sponsor: "Funding Program for World-Leading Innovative R&D on Science and Technology (FIRST Program)" by Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS)
- Organization: PETRA

 Joint research organization: National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST) The University of Tokyo, Kyoto University Tokyo Institute of Technology, Yokohama National University UC Santa Barbara, Technical University of Munich



Photonics Electronics Convergence Technology for Power-Reducing Jisso System

- Project Leader : Prof. Yasuhiko Arakawa, University of Tokyo
- ➤ Term : FY 2012~2021
- Sponsor: METI for FY2012, NEDO from FY2013.
- Organization: PETRA
- Member companies:

AIST, Fujitsu, Furukawa Electric, NEC, NEL, NTT, OITDA, OKI, Toshiba

Joint research organization:

Univ. of Tokyo, Kyoto Univ., Tokyo Institute of Technology,

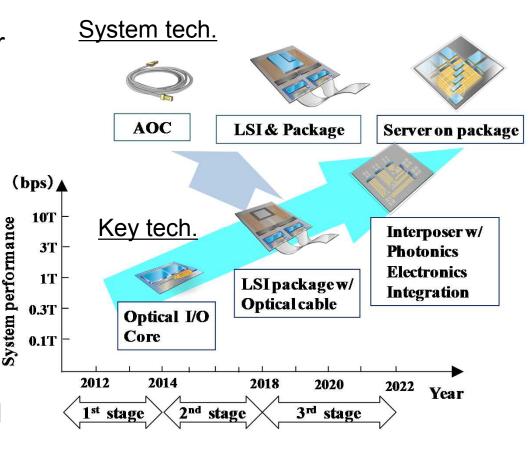
Yokohama National Univ., WASEDA Univ.

By developing optical wiring and optical devices, we realize photonics electronics convergence tech. and this leads to power-reduction, highperformance, and small form factor for electronics components, and significantly reduction of their power consumption.



Project Roadmap (Optoelectronics Jisso PJ)

- 10 years are divided 3 stages.
- <u>1st stage</u>: Develop optical IO core for key tech. and AOC for system tech.
- <u>2nd stage</u>: Develop LSI package with optical IO cores and LSI with optical fiber cables.
- <u>3rd stage</u>: Develop photonics electronics convergence interposer and photonics electronics printed-circuit board.
- PJ results in the 1st stage and the 1st chip will be exhibited this year.





Exhibition of Optoelectronic Jisso Projects at OFC2014

Date: Mar.11-13, 2014

Place: Moscone Center, San Francisco, CA, USA

Site: <u>http://www.ofcconference.org/</u>

Results of the NEDO Project "Development of Nextgeneration High-efficiency Network Device Technology (FY2007-2011)"

Theme1: Optoelectornic I/O core and the future outlook Micro transceiver 5mm^D

Mock of future onboard server

Theme2: 100Gbps Digital coherent technology DSP LSI and transceiver

Booth # 2114



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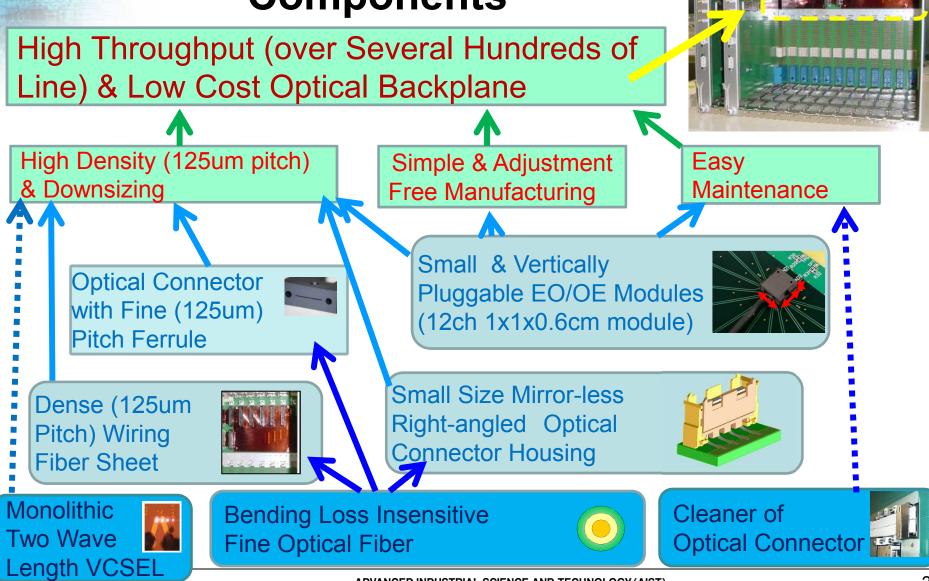
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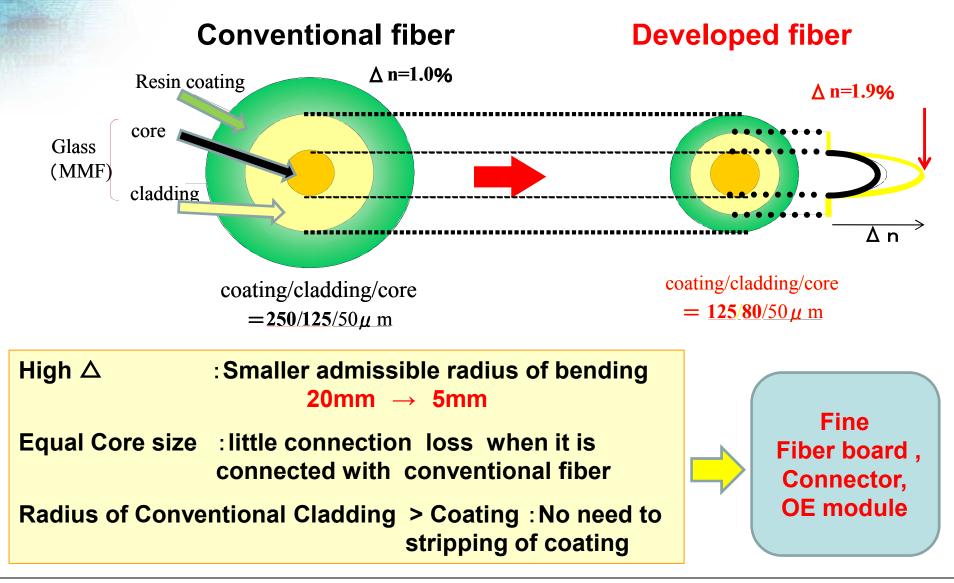


Goals and Developed Components



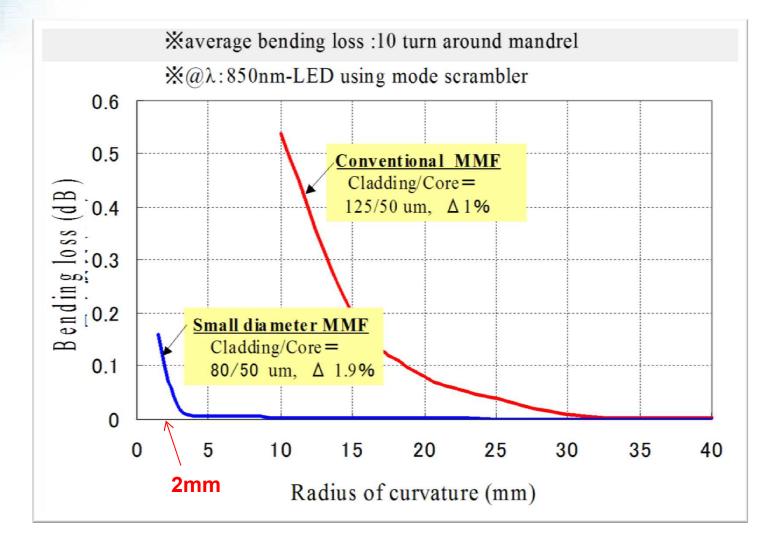


Bending Loss Insensitive Optical Fiber





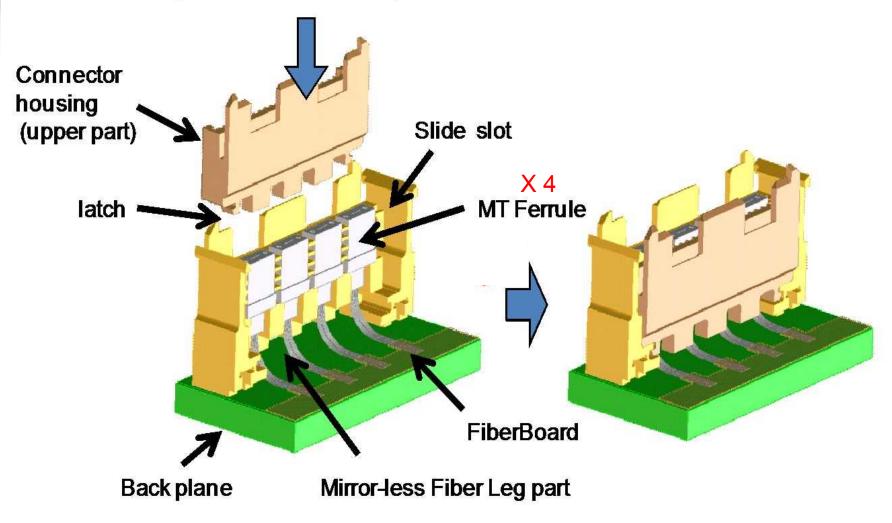
Bending Loss of Developed Fiber





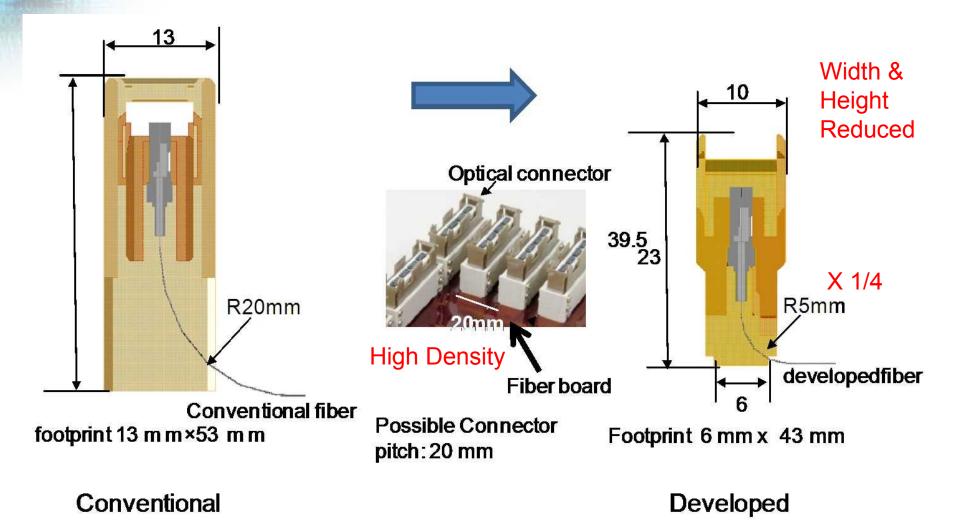
Right-angled connector housing

Perpendicular to the backplane



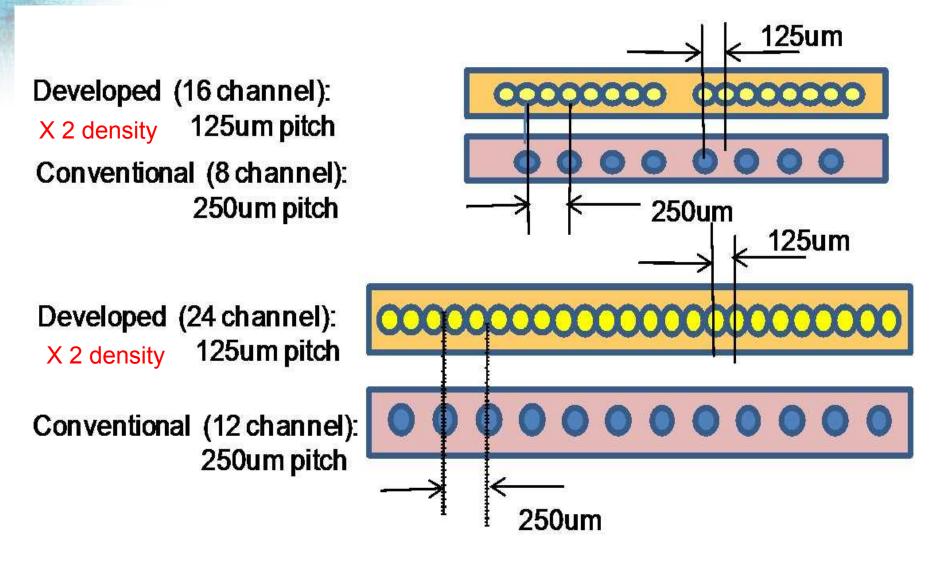


Cross section of the developed connector



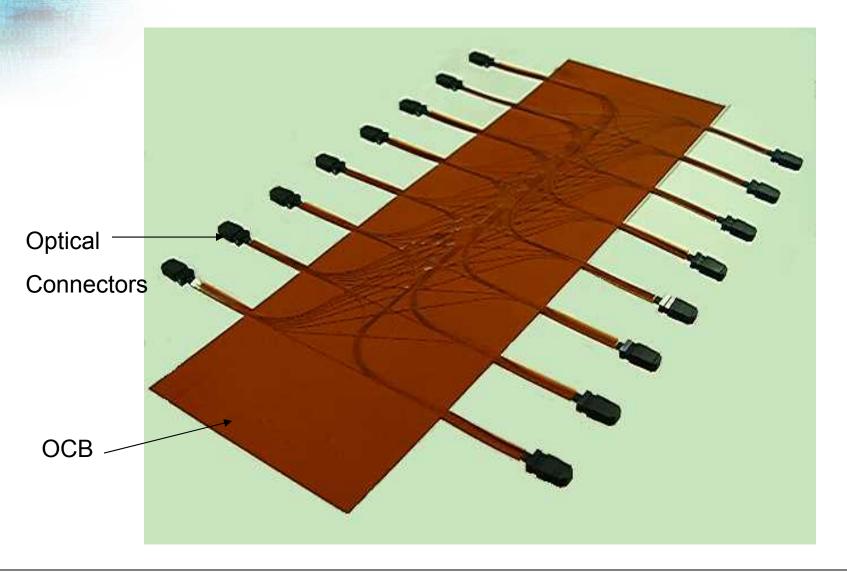


Fine Pitch Ferrules



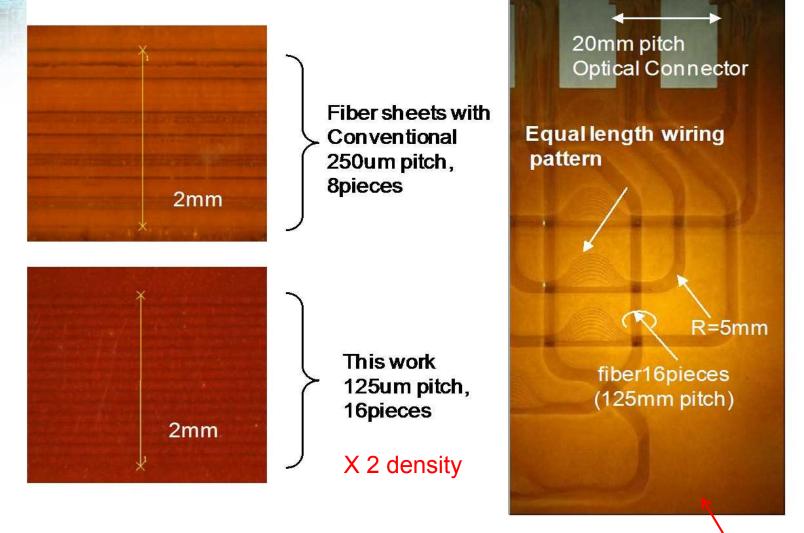


Optical Circuit Boards





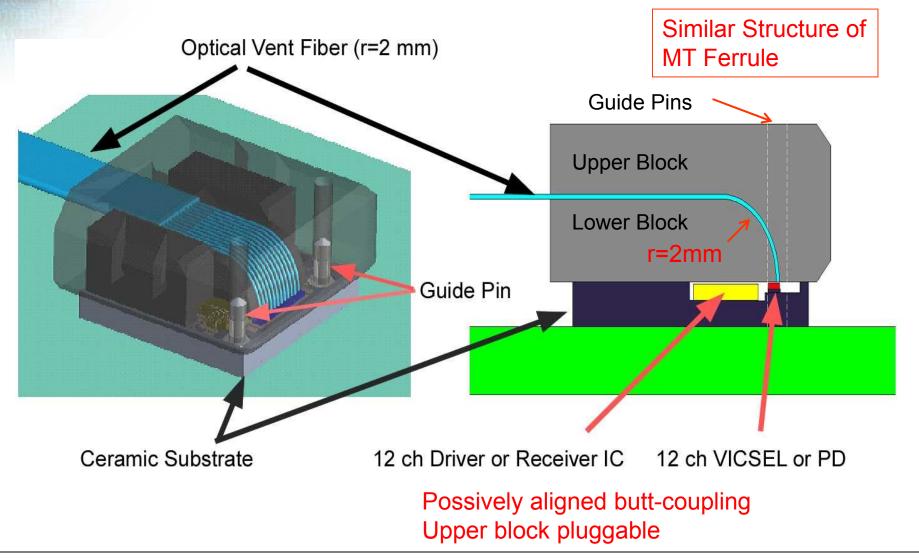
Optical Fiber Sheets



Polyimide Sheet

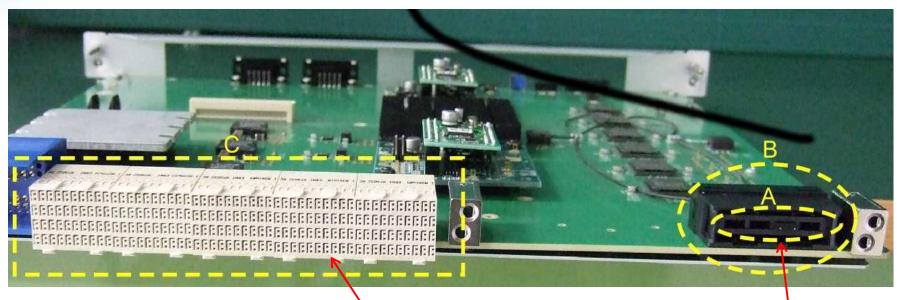


Structure of OE/EO Modules





Optical Connector Assembled on ATCA™ Daughter Board



40 pairs x 5 = 200 pairs

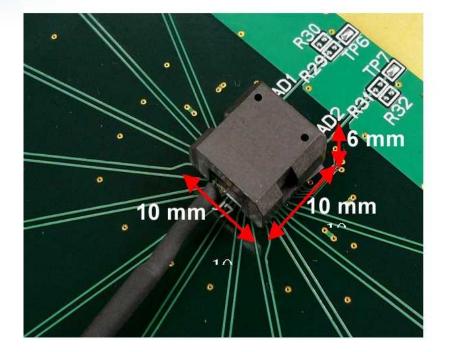
MT Ferrules

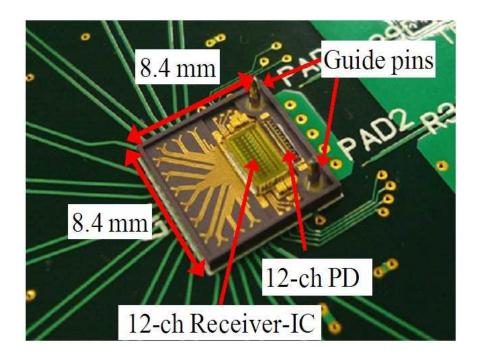
- A; four optical ferrule,
- B; optical connector housing which can accommodate four 24 or 16 signal ferrules,
- C; five electrical connector each of which contain 40 pairs of electrical signals)





View of the Developed OE/EO Modules





Small Size 10mm x 10mm x 6mm

High transmission density 120Gbps/cm2

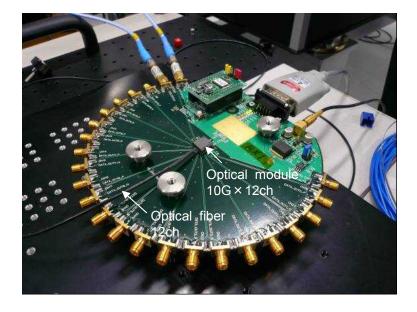
Receiver Module

SMT by Reflow Soldering

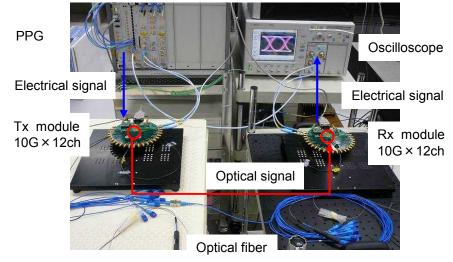




Tx-Rx Signal Transmission Experiment



Test Board



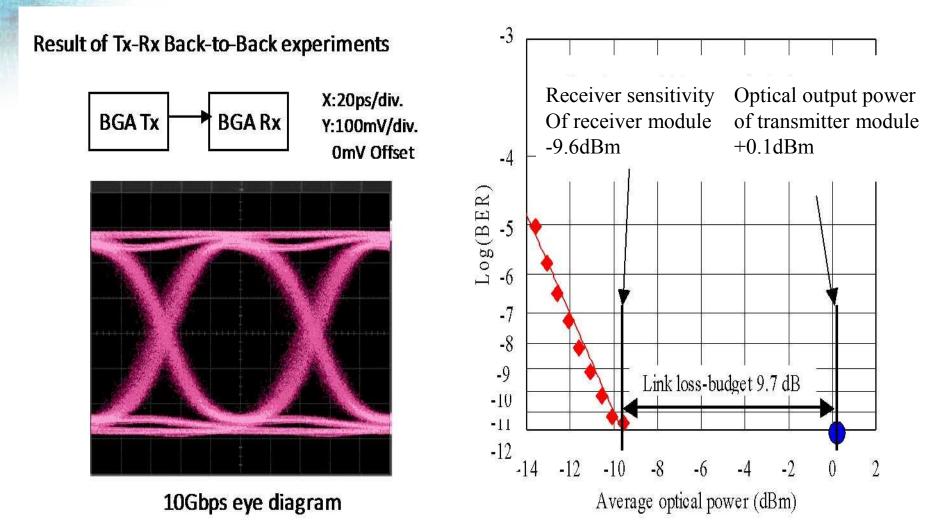
Tx-Rx evaluation system

Experimental Setup

10Gbps transmission



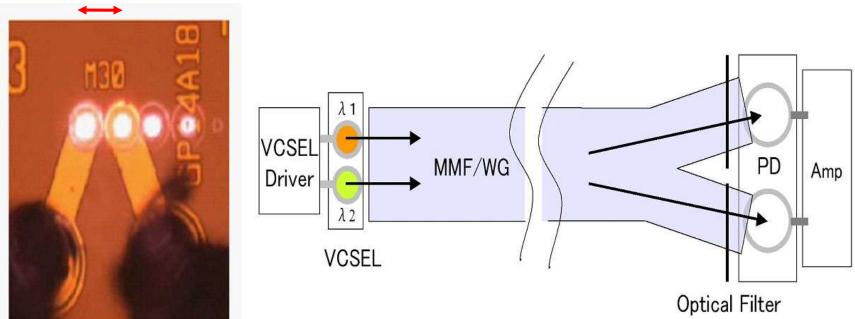
Tx-Rx Experimental Results





Monolithic Two Wavelength VCSELs and Densely Packaged CWDM Configuration

$30 \ \mu m \ pitch$



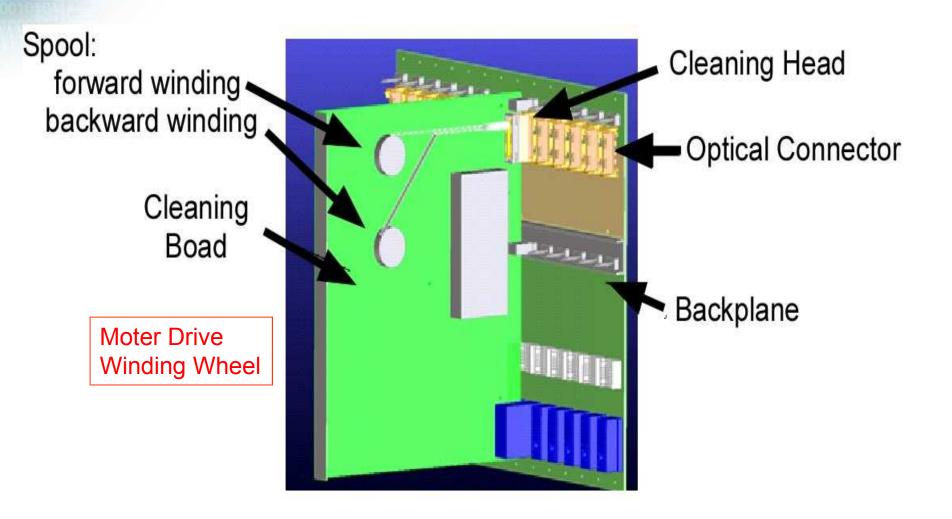
Photograph of monolithic two wavelength VCSELs

848nm and 862nm Cavity structure modified

Densely packaged CWDM configuration



Diagram of Backplane Connector Cleaner



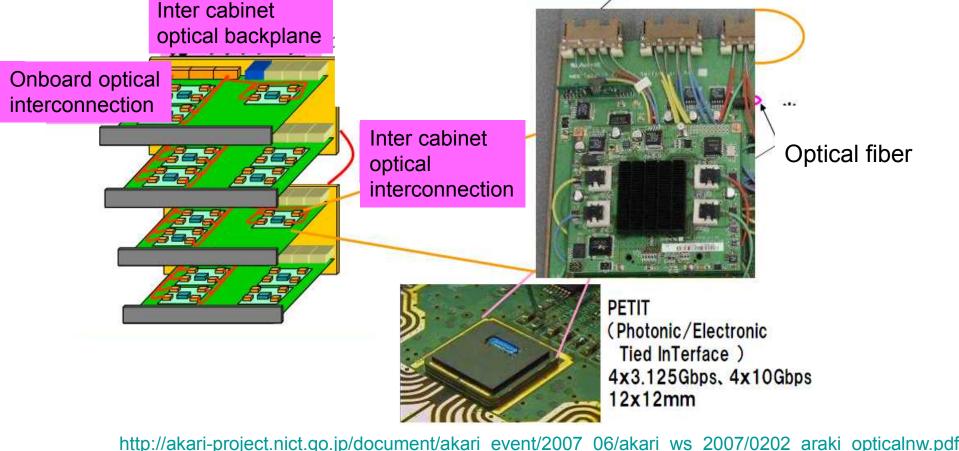


Optical Interconnection of NEC (2007)

Optical interconnection using PETIT module

- 1. Increase of switching capacity without re-design of backplane
- 2. Seamless backplane connection without cabinets

Optical connector for backplane 4x24coresx10G=960G

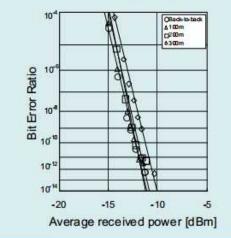




Micro-packaging technology

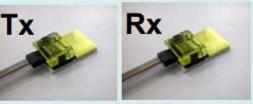
APPLICATION OF THE MICRO-PACKAGING TECHNOLOGY (NEC)

• 10Gb/s x 12ch transmitter (Tx) and receiver (Rx) with the same form factor



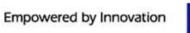
Example of 10Gb/s Optical Transmission Characteristics

•1050nm-Tx to Rx, up to 300m



W9 x L14 x H4 mm





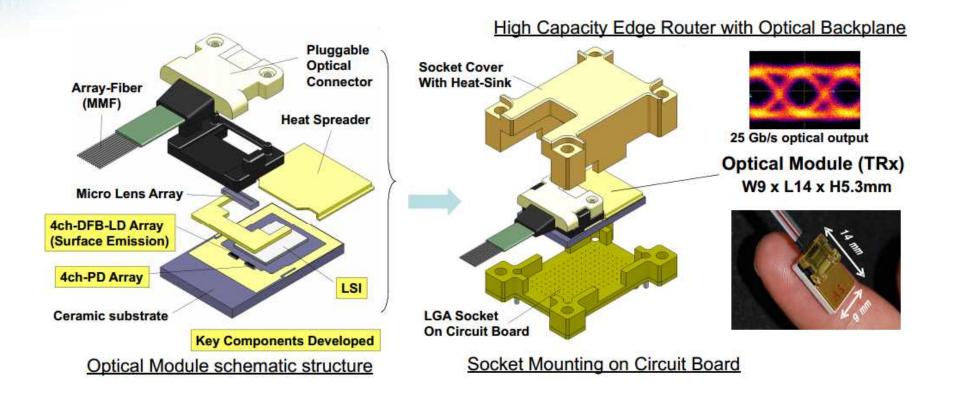




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100Gbps OE/EO Module

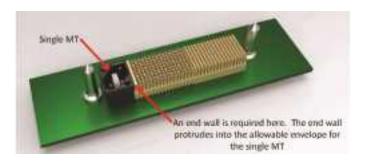


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Optical interconnection to VPX architecture (2013)

Proposed alternate optical connector, with a single MT ferrule





6U VPX switch card from Annapolis Microsystems is the first VPX switch capable of switching either 40GBASE-KR4 Ethernet channels or 56Gbps InfiniBand FDR channels

http://eecatalog.com/vme/2013/02/15/vpx-backplanes-go-optical/



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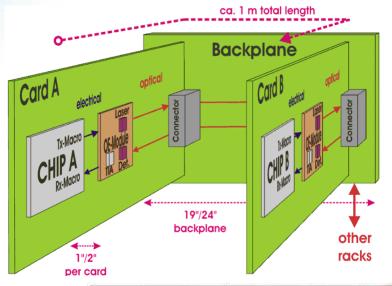


Former research of optical backplanes

Organiuzation	Features	Subjects
Daimler-Chrysler(2001)	 Optical interconnection using molded MM polymer waveguide Right angle light direction using 45degree mirror E/O active connector 	 Multimode only Short wavelength I/O pitch 7.6 mm Optical loss: 0.04dB/cm
IST-IO Project (2002)	 board to board interconnection using POF matrix (8×8 or 16×16) Technology for Router 7770 of Alcatel 	• Reliability • Stability
3M (2003)	GGP fiber board and the right angle connector Ball and socket ferrule	 Multimode Nonstandard ferrule Connection loss: ~ 1dB



Backplane research at IBM Zurich (2005)



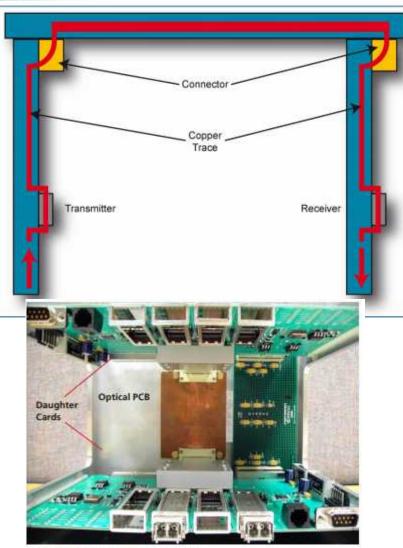


	Internet, Wide Area Network	Local Area Network	Rack-to- Rack	Card-to-Card	On-Card	On- MCM	On-Chip
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Distance	multi-km	10 - 2000 m	30+ m	1 m	0.1 - 0.3 m	5 - 100 mm	0.1 - 10 mm
Number of lines	1	1 - 10	-100	-100-1000	-1000	-10'000	-100'000
Use of optics	Since the 80s and the early 90s	Since the late 90s	Now	2010+	2010-2015	Probably after 2015	Later, if ever
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Optical Backplane Research in UK (2006)





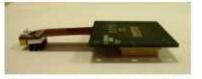


Figure 6a: Parallel optical transceiver circuit



Figure 6b: Optical interface platform



Figure 7a: Pluggable optical backplane connector



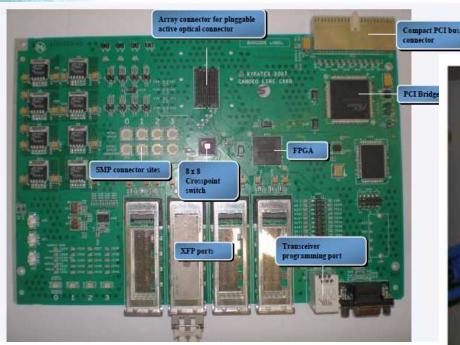
Figure 7b: Optical backplane connector on line card

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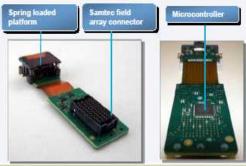




Optical Backplane Research in UK (2007)



Highspeed Switcing line card

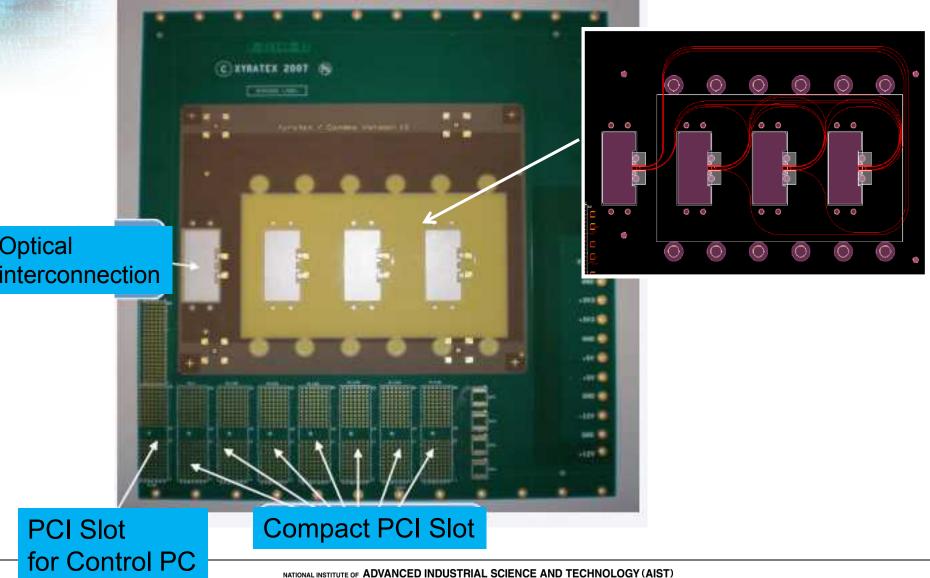


4-parallel optical transceiver module





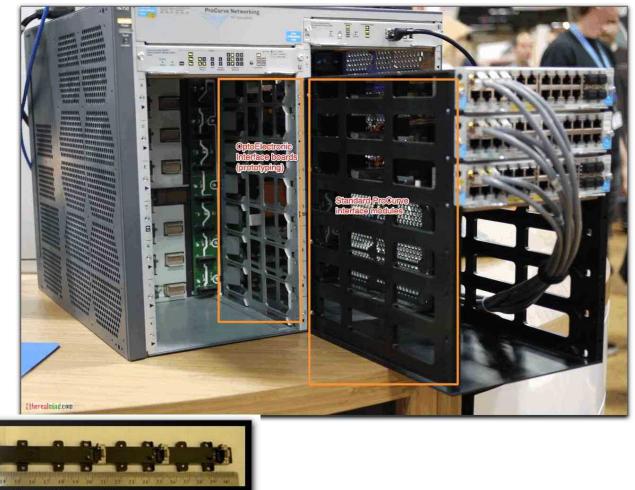
Optical backplane in UK (2007)





therealmind.com

Prototype E8212 ProCurve switch with fully optical backplane of HP (2011)

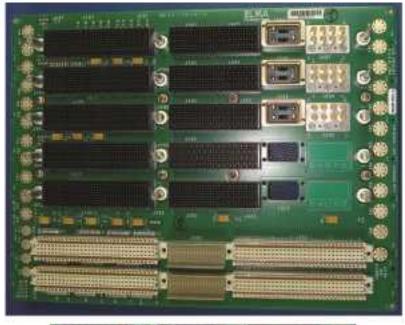


Optical wave guide and beam splitter assembly

http://etherealmind.com/hp-optical-backplanes/



Optical Interconnection to VPX Architecture (2013)





Hybrid VME/VPX backplane with VITA 66.1 optical connectors and VITA 67.2 coaxial copper connectors and standard VITA 46 MultiGig connectors in positions J0-J4.

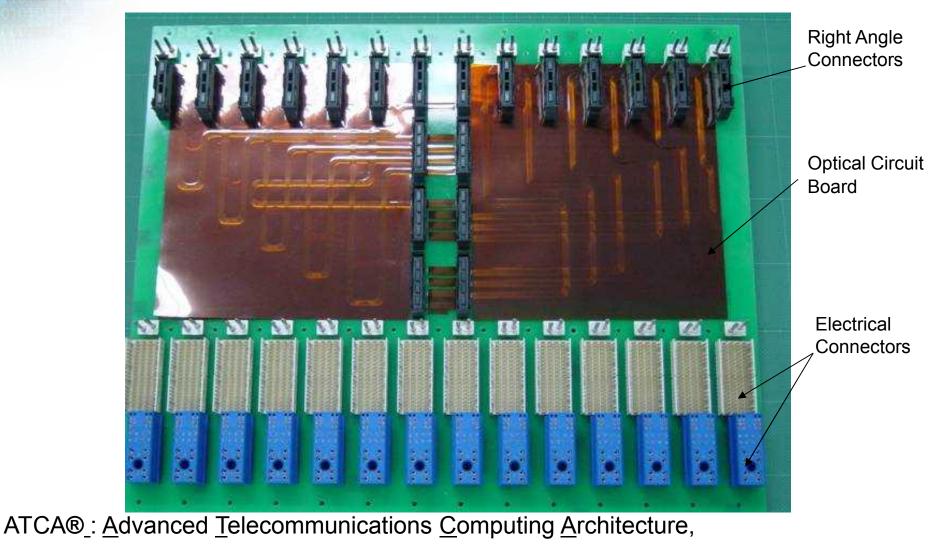
Optical ferrules

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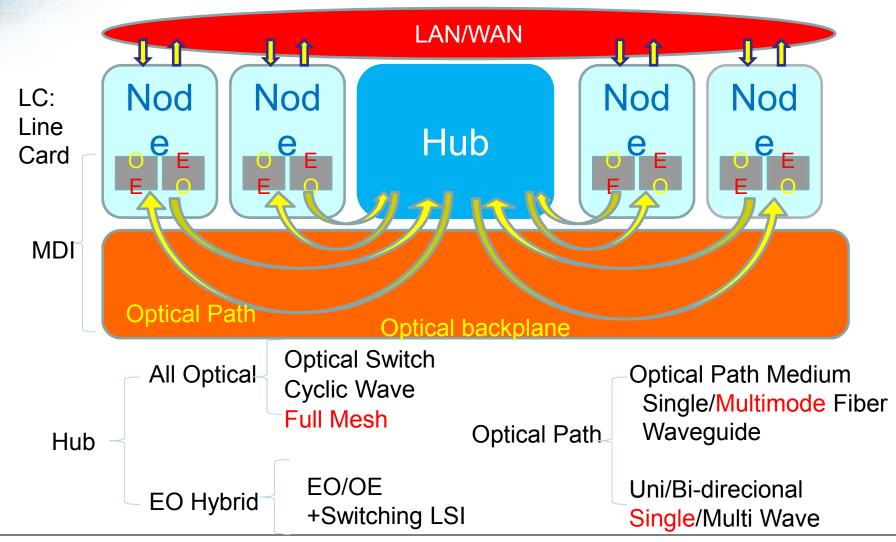


Optoelectronic Backplane Based on PICMG™3.0 ATCA





Structure of Optical Backplane for Router/Switch



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Comparison of Optical Data Signals with Electrical Data Signals on the Developed Backplane

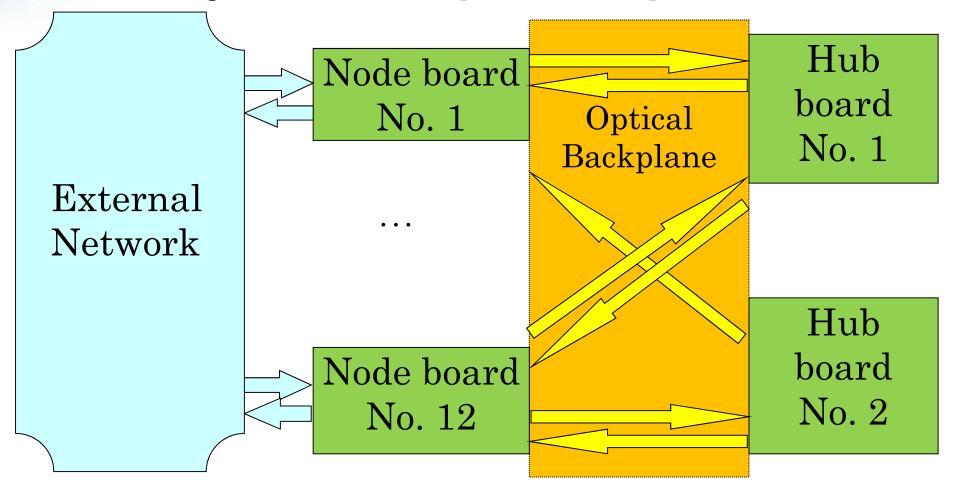
Items	Optical Data Signals in Zone 3	Electrical Data Signals in Zone 2
Transmission Medium	Multimode Optical Fiber	Differential Pair
Number of Slots	14(=12 Node + 2 Hub)	
Number of Data Signals	32 Lines / Node 192 Lines / Hub	16 pairs / Node 96 pairs / Hub
Total No. of Data Signals	384 Lines	192 pairs
Signal Speed	10 Gbps / line *	5 Gbps / pair**
Aggregate Throughput	3.84 Tbps*	0.96Tbps**

*: When 10Gbps/line OE/EO modules are used.

**: When 775-ATR14N, EBRAINS, Inc. is used.

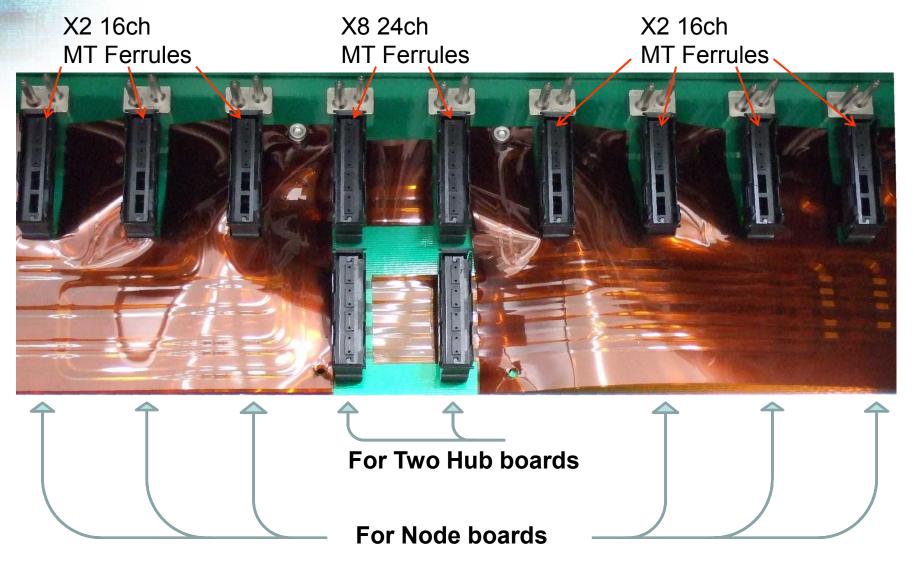


Optoelectronic 40 Gbps Dual Star Router/Switch Which Could be Realized by the Developed Backplane



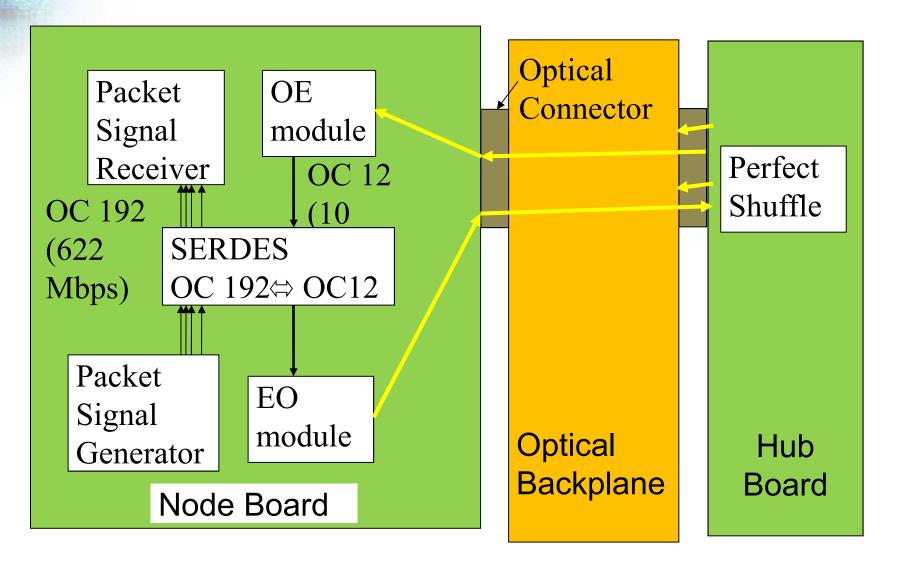


Developed Optical Backplane in Zone 3



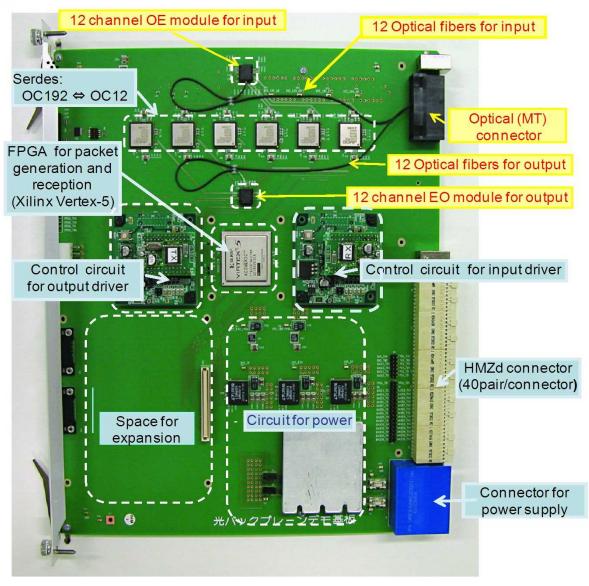


Signal Path in the experimental System





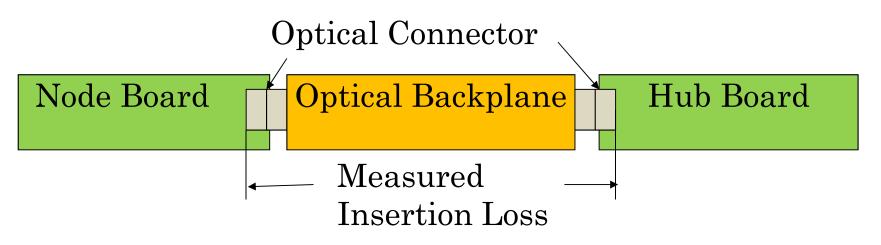
Developed Node Board





Insertion Loss of Optical Backplane Including Node and Hub Board Connectors

Number of Samples	131
Mean Value	1.86 [dB]
Maximum Value	3.31 [dB]
Minimum Value	0.5 [dB]
Standard Deviation	0.63





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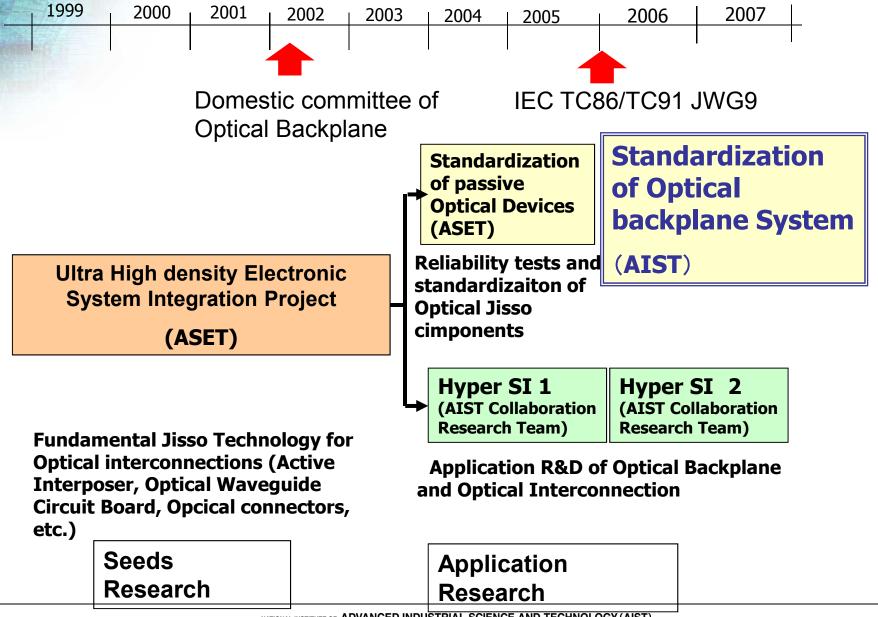
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International Standardization Organizations

ISO (International Organization for Standardization) NGO of international Industrial standardization except electrical fields.

IEC (International Electrotechnical Commission) not-for-profit, non-governmental organization develops consensus-based International Standards and manages conformity assessment systems for electric and electronic products, systems and services,

ITU (International Telecommunication Union)

specialized agency of the United Nations that is responsible for issues that concern information and communication technologies



IEC :

International Electrotechnical Commission

- not-for-profit, non-governmental organization
- founded in 1906
- Annual budget: CHF 20 million.
- The IEC develops consensus-based International Standards and manages conformity assessment systems for electric and electronic products, systems and services, collectively known are as electrotechnology.
- The IEC comprises one member National Committee per country, they each pay membership fees and in exchange can participate fully in IEC work.

http://www.iec.ch/



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Management Advisory Committees

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Technical Committees of IEC

TC(Technical Committee)

TC 1(Terminology) -TC 114(Marine energy - Wave and tidal energy converters) Joint TC with ISO

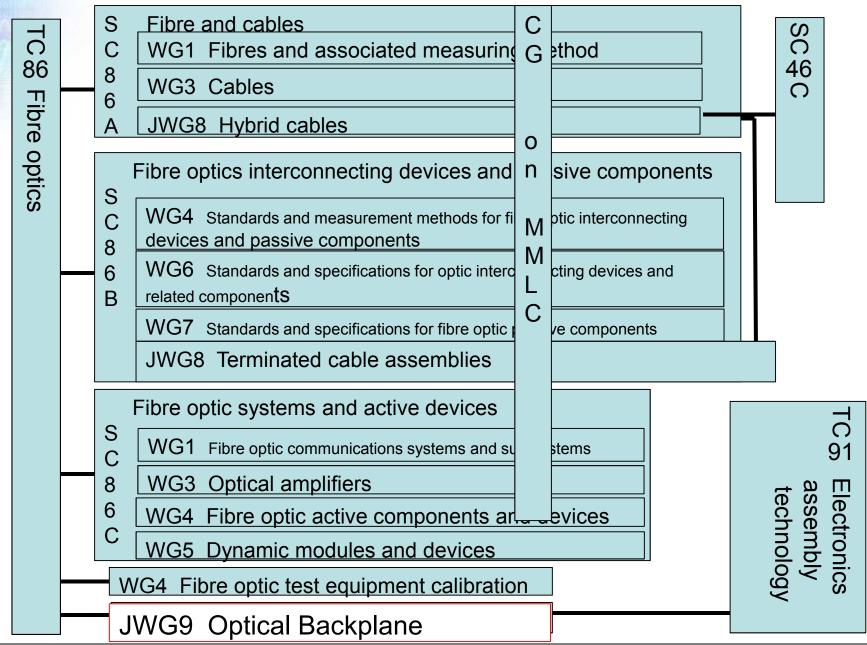
TCs of information Tecnology (TC 53, 83,) \Rightarrow ISO/IEC JTC 1 (1987)

ТС	SC	名称	name	Major IS	secretary (2006)
<u>1</u>		用語	Terminology		SPA
<u>1</u> <u>2</u> <u>3</u>		回転機	Rotating machinery		UK
<u>3</u>		情報構造、ドキュメンテーショ	Information		SWE
		ン及び図記号	structures,		
			documentation and		
			graphical symbols		
	С	機器·装置用図記号	Graphical symbols		JPN
			for use on equipment		
	D	電気・電子技術分野のメタ	Product classes and	IEC	GER
		データライブラリ	properties and their	61360	
			identification		
- 4		水車	Hydraulic turbines		CAN -
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			equipment and systems		na
<u>81</u>		雷保護	Lightning protection	ITA	
<u>82</u>		太陽光発電システム	Solar photovoltaic energy systems	USA	
<u>85</u>		電磁気量計測器	Measuring equipment for electrical and electromagnetic quantities	CHN	
<u>86</u>		光ファイバ	Fibre optics	USA	
	Α	光ファイバケーブル	Fibres and cables	FRA	
	В	光部品	Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components	JPN	
	С	光ファイバシステム	Fibre optic systems and active devices	USA	
<u>87</u>		超音波	Ultrasonics	UK	
88		風力タービン	Wind turbines	HOL	
<u>89</u>		耐火性試験	Fire hazard testing	CAN	
<u>90</u>		超電導	Superconductivity	JPN	
<u>91</u>		電子実装技術	Electronics assembly technology	JPN	
<u>93</u>		デザインオートメーション	Design automation	USA	
94		補助継電器	All-or-nothing	GER 7	74

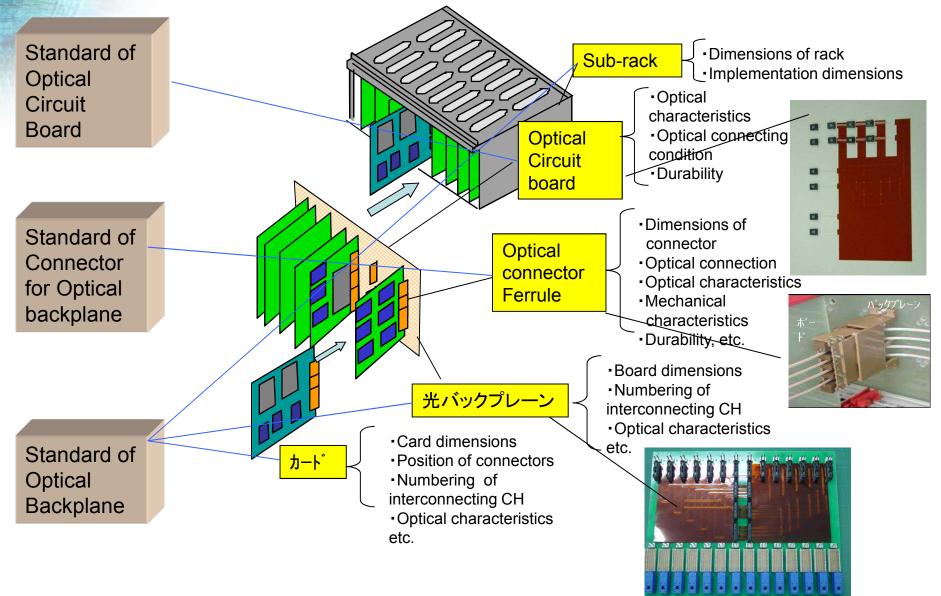


EC TC86





Subjects for Standardization





TC86/JWG9 (with TC91)

Title: Optical functionality for electronics assemblies

<u>Scope:</u> To prepare international standards and specifications for optical circuit boards and optical back planes, intended for use with opto-electronic assemblies. Other devices intended for use with optoelectronic assemblies such as fibre optic connectors, passive optical devices, active devices, dynamic devices, etc., are directly standardized at the existing WGs in TC86.



Strategy of JWG9

- To establish good relationship between systems TC, TC91, and products/components TC, TC86, according to "System approach concept" of IEC
- To be responsible for standardization for fibre optic products for use with all fields such as communications equipment, data processing equipments, etc.,
- To promote active standardization activities for optical products proposed by TC 91 for use with optoelectronic assembly.
- To harmonize standardization activities between SCs/WGs in TC 86 and TC91.





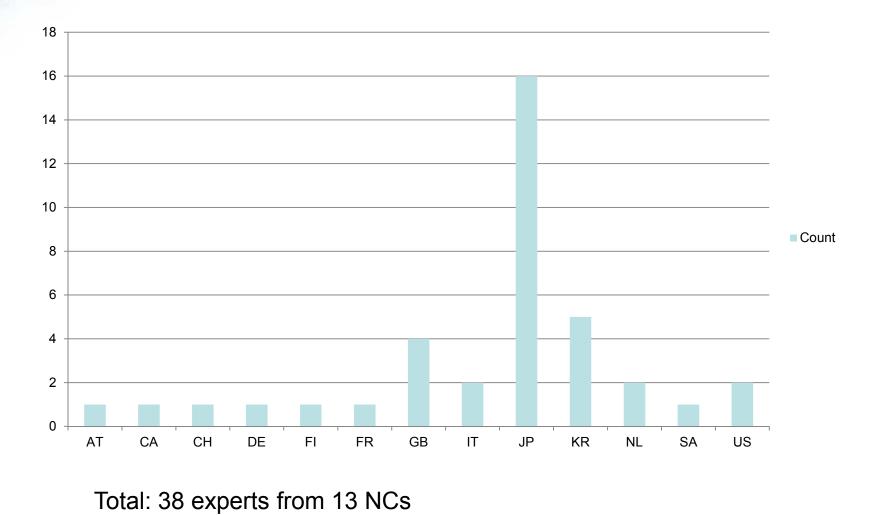
Relationship Between SC86A,B,C/WGs and JWG9

Tasks	Responsible	Support	Example
Existing Fields	WGs	JWG9	Connectors Modules
New Fields	JWG9 (Note)	WGs	OCBs, OBPs, their Test Methods, etc.

Note: This function may be also transferred to appropriate SC in the future.



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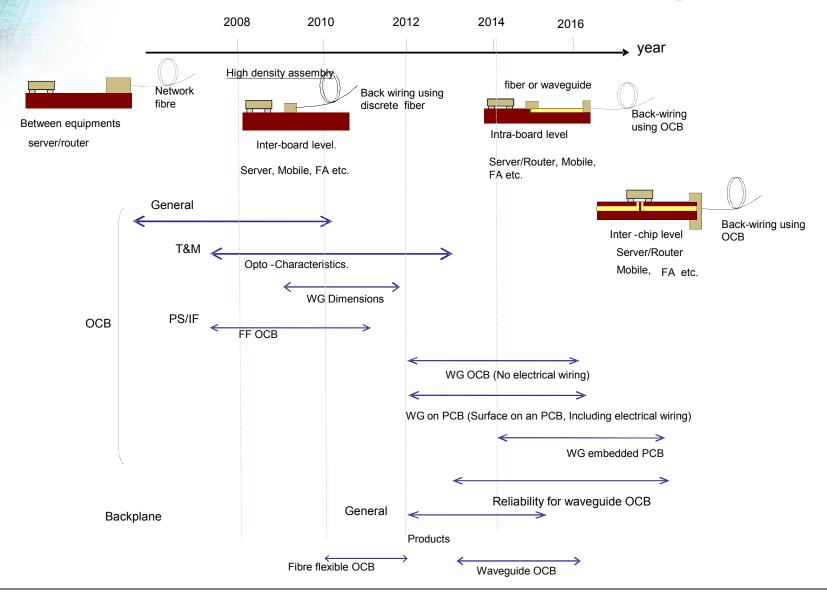


Meeting place of TC86/TC91 JWG9

Apr. 2006	Stockholm, Sweden
Oct. 2008	Kyoto, Japan
Apr. 2009	Locarno, Switzerland
Oct. 2009	Tel Aviv, Israel
May 2010	Leuven, Belgium
Oct. 2010	Seattle, USA
Apr. 2011	Catania, Italy
Oct. 2011	Melbourne, Australia
Apr. 2012	Krakow, Poland
Nov. 2012	Queretaro, Mexico
Apr. 2013	Kista, Sweden
Oct. 2013	Sharlotte, USA
May 2014	Ixtapa, Mexico
Autumn 2014	Tokyo?, Japan



Standardization roadmap





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Summary

- Optical Backplane technology from historic work to current work was introduced.
- Research projects in the world, especially, 3Tbps ATCA optical backplane project was introduced.
- ➢As a standardization of optical backplane, activity of IEC TC86/TC91 JWG9 is introduced.



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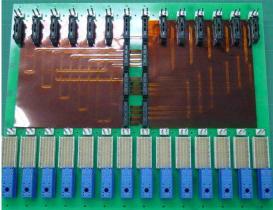
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