



Economic Feasibility of multi-fiber connectors

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Outline

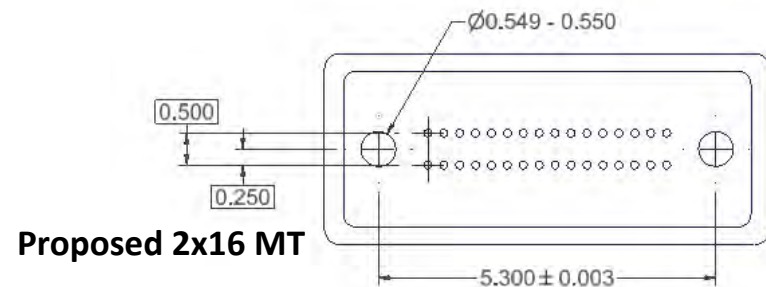
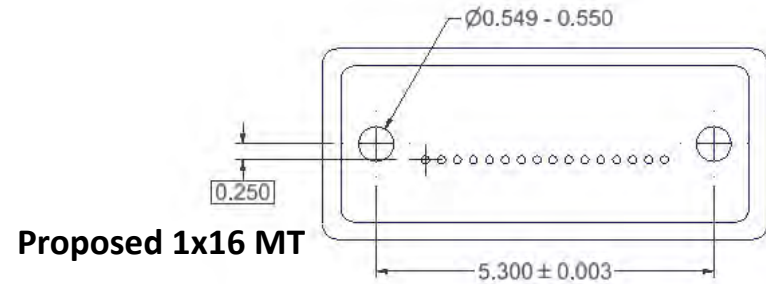
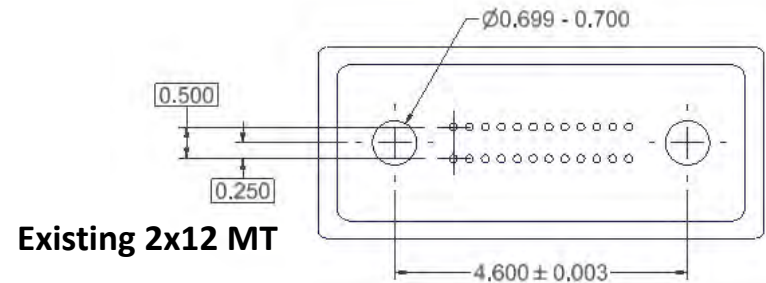
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Estimated Relative Cost Ratio: 12F MPO to Proposed 2x16 MPO

Cost drivers for 12F MPO	% of cost	1x12 base line	2x16 relative cost
Component Cost	25%	1	1.5
cable prep/termination	15%	1	2
Epoxy application / Curing	5%	1	1
Polishing	25%	1	1
Interferometry	10%	1	1
Testing/Inspection	20%	1	1.75
Weighted average		1	1.43
Per fiber relative termination cost		1	0.53

Proposed 2x16 Dimensions

- Existing 24-fiber MT (2x12) already defined by TIA-604-5-D and IEC 61754-7
- New formats in process at TIA and IEC:
 - Smaller guide pin holes
 - Longer pitch between guide pin holes
 - Same Y-dimension for both 1x16 & 2x16 versions (i.e. potential backwards compatibility)



Summary

- 2x16F MPO is economical feasible
- Standardization of 2x16F MPO is ongoing and should follow 2x12F MPO dimensions