Proposal to include optical fiber objective in Multi-gig Automotive Ethernet

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# **Supporters**

• We will be seeking supporters for the Feb 21/22 meeting

# Summary

Propose to include an optical fiber PHY objective in Multi-Gig Ethernet to support emerging high bandwidth, long length & weight reduction use cases

### Broad market potential

- Automotive networking is evolving rapidly with multiple use cases for bandwidth ≥ 1 Gb/s
- Related applications requiring link lengths ≥ 15m
- Glass fiber media option would complement twisted pair in emerging applications

### Benefits

 Optical fiber complements copper interconnect by providing exceptional bandwidth, light weight, electromagnetic immunity and harsh environment resistance

## Technical Feasibility

 Optical fiber technologies are mature and widely used in other applications where they have achieved low cost have proven reliability.
 10GBASE-SR technology can be used for an automotive PHY

# Automotive use cases could benefit from an optical fiber option

Use cases From CFI Multi-Gig Automotive Ethernet PHY CFI\_01\_1116.pdf

### **CFI Multi-Gig Automotive Ethernet PHY**

Why Multi-Gig in Addition to 1000BASE-T1/-RH and 100BASE-T1

- Use Cases
  - Sharing camera data
  - 4K and 8K shared display data
  - Connectivity: LTE 4G/5G, transport of 802.11ac
  - Connecting 1000BASE-T1/-RH switches
  - Diagnosis (port mirroring of multiple 1000BASE-T1/-RH links)

# CFI Multi-Gig Automotive Ethernet PHY Use Cases

- Cameras
- 4K Cameras at 60 fps 6 to 8 Gbps
  - Short propagation delay (< 20 ms) doesn't allow for compression
- Data Sharing
  - Aggregation of multiple 1 Gbps links requires xGbps links
- Displays
- 4K/8K displays will start appearing in vehicles
- Data Recorder
  - Significant amount of raw data may need to be saved to reconstruct incidents
- Uncompressed camera/video data rates reach and exceed 10 Gb/s, e.g. zinner NGAUTO 01a 0217.pdf
- Commercial vehicle applications may require lengths up to 40 m: matheus\_buntz\_10SPE\_01\_0916.pdf (10 Mbps Single Pair Ethernet SG)

	Mandatory	Additional/optional	
Physical Medium	Unshielded, unjacketed TP cabling	If possible, CAN cable (i.e. PVC insulation)	
Max. link length	15 m for passenger vehicles	40 m for commercial vehicles	

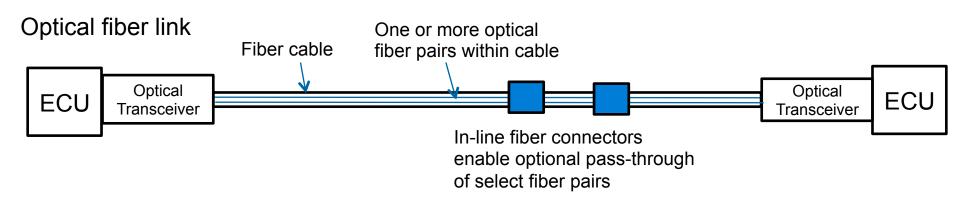
 OEM survey indicated that 50% of respondents expressed interest in 10 Gb/s and 50% said they would consider optical cable Wienckowski 3NGAUTO 01a 0117.pdf

## Benefits of optical fiber

- Optical fiber links provide compelling features that complement copper interconnects
- High capacity 10 Gb/s to 100 m (OM4)
- Light weight
- Thinner cross-section
- Electromagnetic immunity
- Harsh environment compatibility

Reference: whelan\_3NGAUTO\_01b\_0117.pdf

# Technical feasibility



Component	Status	Technology	Examples
Optical transceiver	Available	VCSEL	10GBASE-SR
Fiber	Available	Multimode fiber	OM2, OM3, OM4
Cable	Available	Environmentally hardened	Fiber drop cable, Aerospace cable
Connector	Available	Environmentally hardened	Please see next slide for example

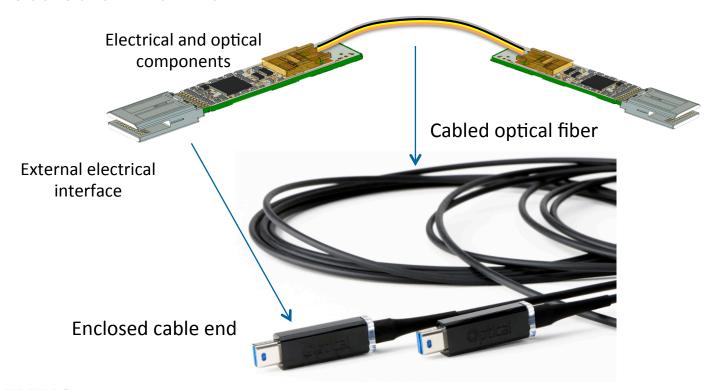
# Environmentally-hardened optical fiber connector - example



Hardened fiber connector

# Active optical cable configuration encapsulates optical links

- Transceiver is permanently fixed to fiber cable
  - Compatible with proven transceiver technologies
- Active cable provides electrical interface to external devices
- Optical and electronic components can be environmentally isolated in sealed environment



# Objective proposal

Add the following multi-gig objective

"Define the performance characteristics of a link segment and a PHY to support 10 Gb/s operation over this link segment with a single pair supporting up to four inline connectors using

- copper cabling with lengths up to at least 15m
- optical fiber cabling with lengths up to at least 40m"

Thank You!