

# Lighting the Way for Embedded Systems

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## Objective of this presentation

To show how important and critical optical interconnect is becoming in the development of high-performance embedded systems.

## Embedded Systems To Reach \$133B by 2020\*

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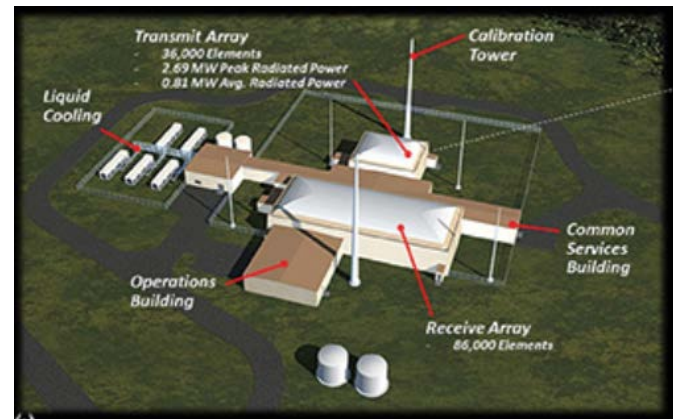


### ISR Process



## Space Fence Radar → Toward All-Digital AESA Radar

- US Air force Space Surveillance Network
- Active Electronically Scanned Array (AESA) Radar
  - Detect, track, catalog satellites and debris on earth orbits
- Transmitter array
  - S-Band (2 to 4GHz)
  - 36 000 independent radiating elements
  - can generate thousands of radar beams
- Receiver array
  - Separate from transmitter array
  - 86 000 independent receiving elements
  - DBF & Frequency multiplexing allow for thousands of received beams



<http://www.microwavejournal.com/articles/26872-space-fence-radar-leverages-power-of-gan>

## ISR Embedded Systems

Provides unparalleled advantage

- Intelligent → learning machines
- Data rich → real-time and historical data
- Secure → hack-resistant communications
- Reliable → no single point failure
- Small → more payload for other systems
- Scalable → simple upgrades, long life
- Multi-purposed → target ID, weather, communications.





## ISR Technology Trends

- Sensors → higher resolution cameras and radars
- Processor → multicore, low power GPGPU, GPP, FPGA
- Storage → solid state, small, rugged, reliable (RAID)
- Sensor fusion → correlate information from sensors
- Computing → Virtualization, parallel processing
- Small SWaP → more capability for SFF (3U VPX)
- All digital → multi-purposed, software defined functionality

- **Optical Interconnect**

- High BW, low latency
- Small SWaP
- High density I/O
- Defines system performance



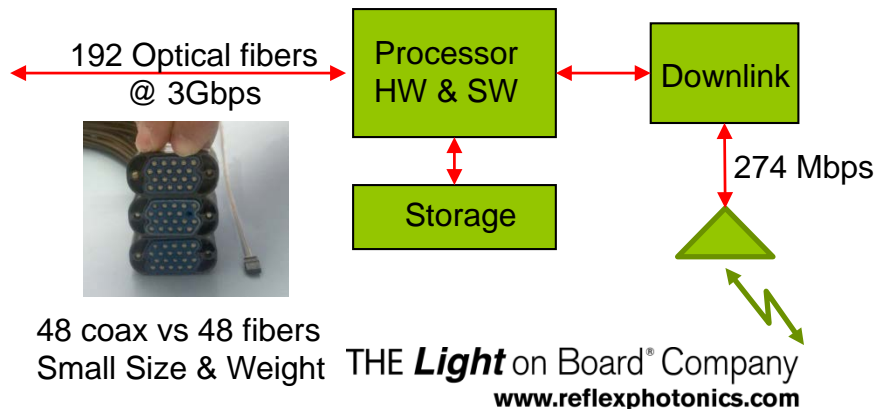
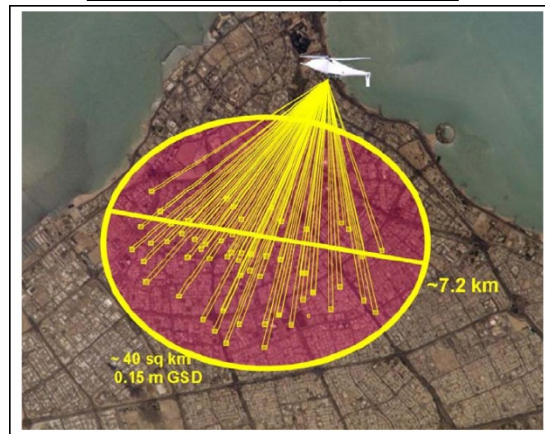
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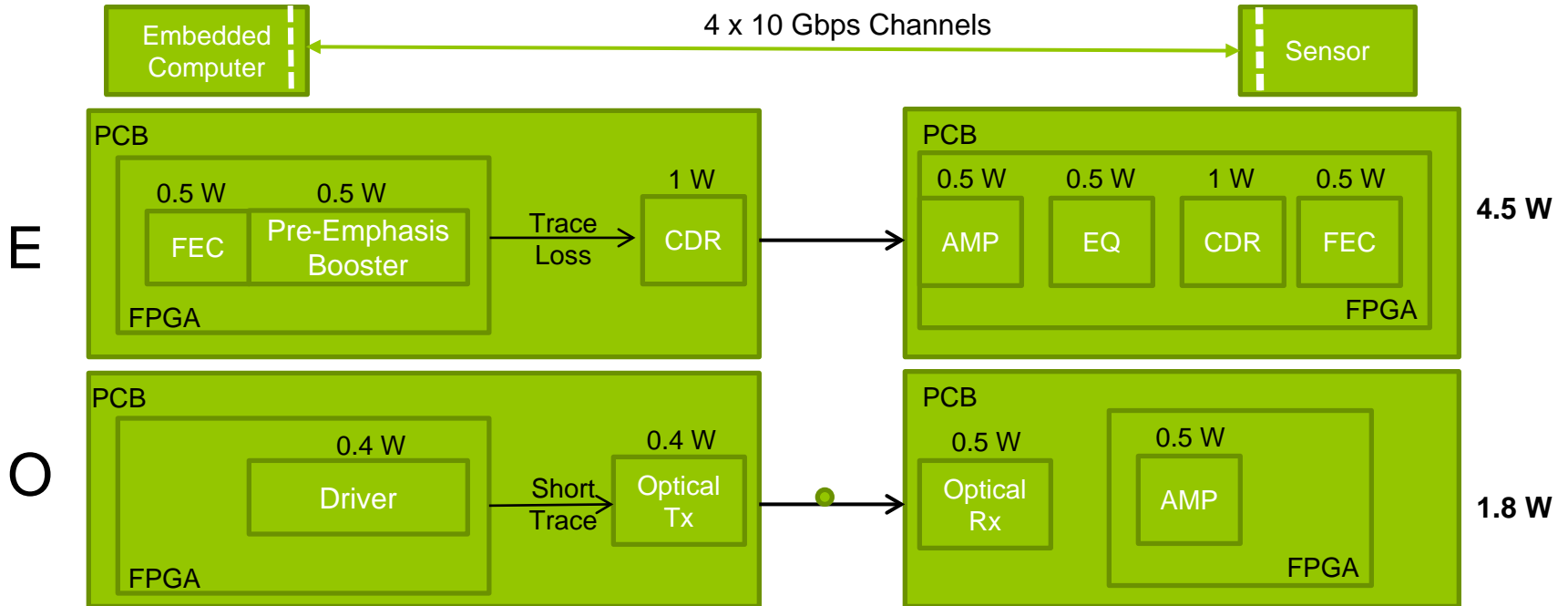
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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rSLJQqrRAFU>

## ARGUS-IS System



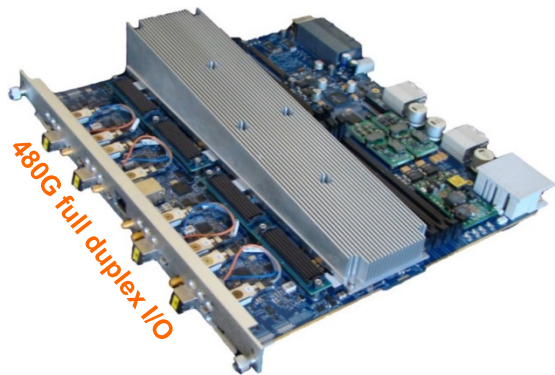
## Electrical vs Optical Interconnect Power Consumption



## Embedded Optics Benefits

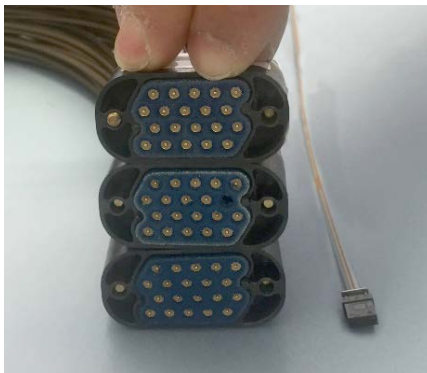
### Performance

- Scalable BW: 28 Gbps+
- Low bit error rates:  $10^{-15}$
- Low loss: 0.003 dB/m (OM3 @850 nm)
- Reach: 300 m (OM3 @10G)



### Small SWaP-C

- Chip size optical transceivers
- Small light weight glass fiber
- I/O density: 48 fibers in MT connector
- Low power: 100 mW/10 Gbps



### Ruggedness

- -40 °C to 85°C operation @ 10 Gbps
- MIL-STD-883 Shock and Vibration
- Moisture resistant
- EMI and EMP immune



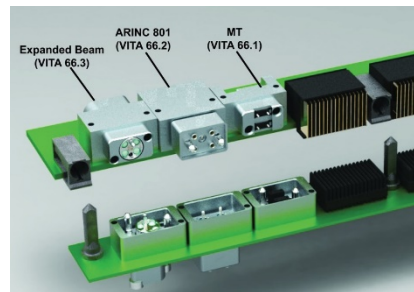


## VPX Optical Interconnect Standards

- **ANSI/VITA Standard**

- ANSI/VITA 66.0 : Optical Interconnect On VPX
- ANSI/VITA 66.1 : Full Size MT Variant
- ANSI/VITA 66.2 : ARINC 801 Variant
- ANSI/VITA 66.3 : Mini-Expanded Beam Variant
- ANSI/VITA 66.4 : Half Size MT Variant
  
- **Under consideration**
- VITA 65: Open VPX
- VITA 67.3c : VPX: Coaxial & Optical Interconnect,
- VITA 76 : High Performance Cable Standard
- VITA 78: Space VPX Systems
- VITA 78.1 Space VPX Lite
- VITA 74: VNX: Small Form Factor VPX

- **VITA 66.x**



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- **VITA 66.4**



Courtesy of ELMA

- **VITA 67.3C**

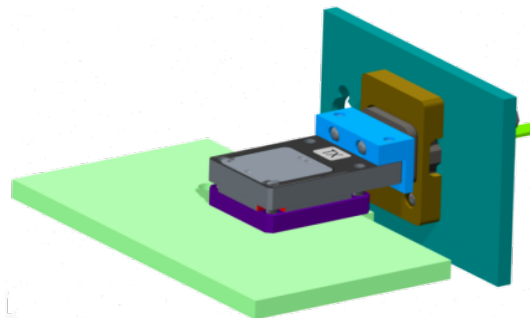
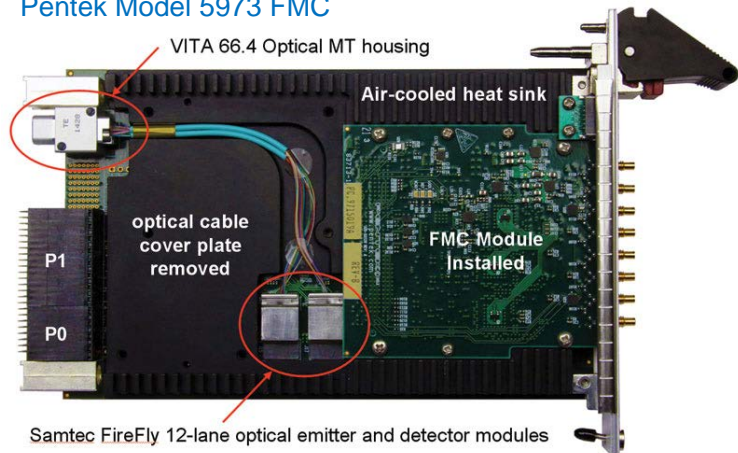


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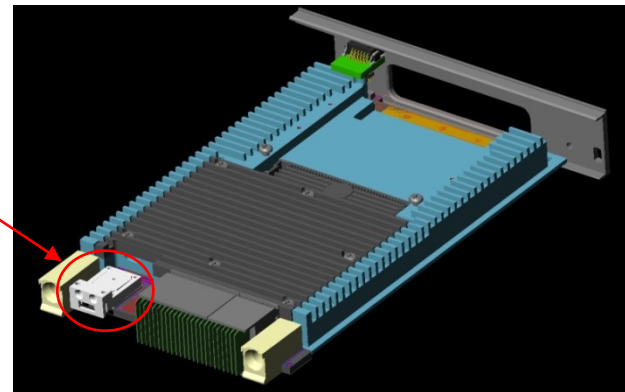
## LightCONEX™ Blind Mate Optical Interconnect

- Supports 2 level maintenance
- Integrates optical transceiver into module connector
- Less board space needed for optical interface
- Fits VITA 66.4 backplane aperture for upgrades

### Pentek Model 5973 FMC

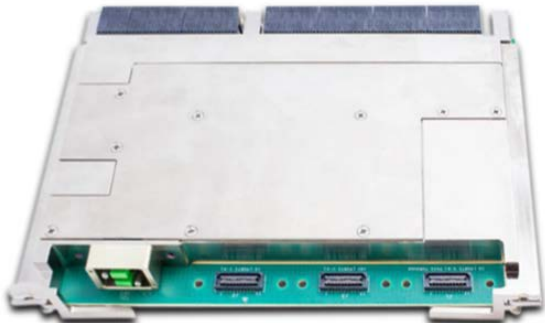


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## VPX Optical Solutions with Reflex Embedded Optics

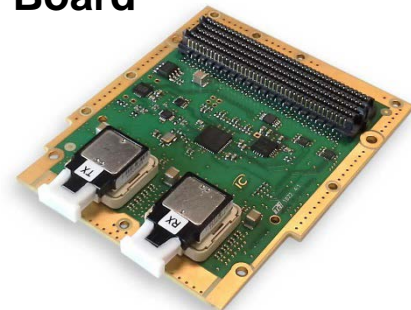
### Amphenol VPX Media Converter



- 6U VPX Media Converter
- Converts backplane high-speed signal to front optical and electrical Ethernet I/O
- 32 x 10G BASE SR in a VITA 66.1 connector
- 4 x 10G BASE-T and 8 x 1G BASE-T

### Interface Concept Optical FMC Board

- Transceiver board (12Tx + 12Rx)
- 120 Gbps full duplex
- Supports front panel Optical Interface
- Interfaces with 3U VPX FPGA boards

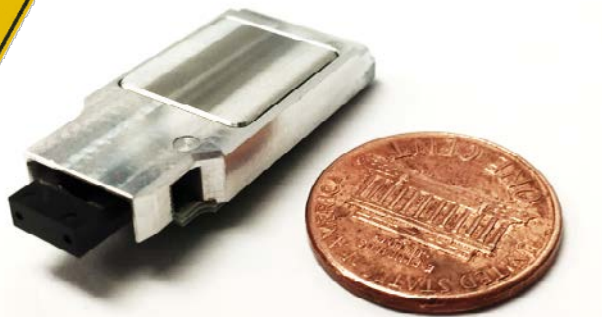


### Meritec 40G Active Optical Module

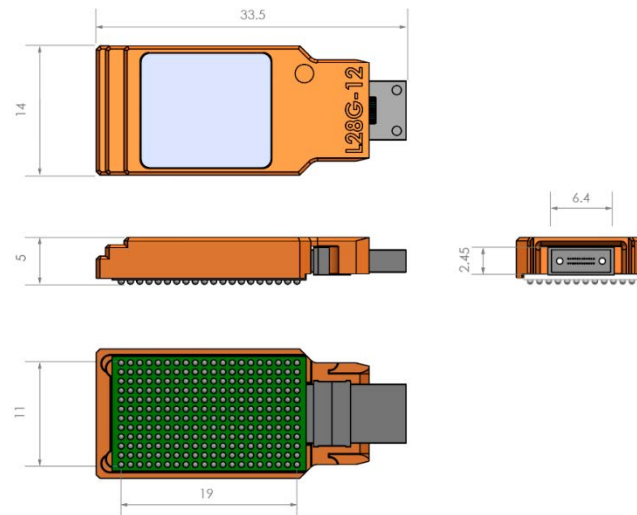
- Extends electrical reach to 100 m @10Gbps
- Converts electrical to optical signals
- Size 17 VITA 76 electrical connector
- 12-lane MT optical in a size 11 shell



## Ultra-Dense I/O Embedded Optical Transceiver



- Full duplex 300 Gbps transceiver
- (12 +12)TRx @ 25 Gbps per lane
- 24Tx or 24Rx @ 25 Gbps per lane
- Standard 2x12 MT optical output port



## Embedded Optics Takeaways

- High performance with less SWaP-C
- Proven, rugged, reliable
- Winning edge



For more information

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