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EPIC Meeting on CMOS Compatible Integrated Photonics at imec Optical Interconnect in Co-Packaged Optics System

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The Benefits of Co-Packaged Optics



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Optical Interconnect in CPO Switch

12.8 T Switch with Pluggable (DR4)



32-port x 8F with MPO-12 = **256F**

51.2T Switch with CPO (DR type)



64-port x 16F MPO-16 = **<u>1024F</u>**

Switch Bandwidth	12.8T		51.2T	
Optics type	FR	DR	FR	DR
Number of transceiver/OE	32 x Pluggable	32 x Pluggable	16 x CPO OE	16 x CPO OE
Bandwidth per transceiver/OE	400G	400G	3.2T	3.2T
Fiber counts per transceiver/OE	2	8	16	64
Wavelength per fiber	4	1	4	1
Total fiber counts	64	256	256	1024



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CPO Engine Size requirement



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CPO OE and fiber width



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Use of special fiber for the width reduction



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Existing low profile fiber coupler examlples





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Emerging coupler technology - Metallic Optical Bench -

Accurate Stamping Technology





Accuracy at Scale

CUDOFORM a SENKO[®] Technology

Stamping is a repeatable manufacturing process that offers unique economy of scale for highvolume production of fine-tuned micro-optics.

CudoForm's proprietary processes enable:

- ✓ Unprecedented accuracy
- ✓ Microstructures
- ✓ Reflective optical surfaces







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Stamping arrays of grooves and mirrors



- Accurate stamping tools establish alignment between mirrors and grooves
- Correct for elastic deflection during stamping
- Correct for elastic spring-back after stamping
- Hard tools with accurate micro-scale features
- Hard tools with mirror finishes

10 Grooves and mirrors are aligned because of alignment in stamping tool



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MOBs thinness as little as 0.6 mm ^{CUDOFORM}





Total height: 0.6 mm to achieve the connectivity between fiber to grating coupler, photodiodes, or VCSEL. Flipped.



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MOB Custom Design Examples





Freeform optics in micro mirror arrays are suited to almost any optical connection

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Temperature tolerance (preliminary test)



Damp Heat

85°C temperature and 85% humidity 168 hours



Temperature Dependent Loss

85°C hot plate



Test	Results (delta IL dB)
Damp Heat	 Pass Max: 0.30 Min: 0.02 Ave: 0.13 StDev: 0.0199
Temperature Dependent Loss	 Pass Max: 0.30 Min: 0.07 Ave: 0.19 StDev: 0.0193



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Summary

- For coming CPO:
 - The increase of total fiber counts
 - Tight space limitations for fiber coupling
- Potential resolutions
 - Use of emerging fiber types
 - Smaller diameter (cladding or coating)
 - Multi-Core Fiber
 - Use of low-profile couplers
- Introduction to Metallic Optical Bench
 - Low-profile
 - Better CTE using metallic materials
 - Customizable
 - Consistent performance against heat









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Assessment of surface finish on stamped mirrors



with a scanning white light interferometer

Optical quality, mirror finish on micro aspherical mirrors produced by stamping process

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Form error for individual stamped mirrors and mirror array



SWLI (a) Example of individual mirror form error defined as deviations from reference geometry in CAD model, (b) form error in apertures of mirror array, defined as deviations from reference geometry, (c) box plot of RMS of deviations for a batch of 768 individual mirrors stamped into metallic optical benches, (d) box plot of RMS of deviations for a batch of 90 mirror arrays stamped in metallic optical benches.

Form error measured with

Form error for individual mirror less than 100nm, for mirror array less than 300nm



Current Families of Optical Components





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MOR: Metallic Optical Reflector

Example of optical component stamped by CudoForm

- Reflective mirror for shaping LED light
- Versions for bare dies and SMD packaged LEDs (3535, 6060, 6868)
- Tolerances below 2 μm
- Optically smooth mirrors condense or shape light from LED
- Size as small as 6.0 x 6.0 mm
- Rugged and thermally stable
- Constructed of aluminum







Proof of stamping excellence and proprietary process

UV-C LED star-board module with MOR surrounding LED. The MOR concentrates emitted light so that applications receive greater dose in shorter time with less power.

Chen et al. "Stamped metallic optical reflectors for ultraviolet light emitting diodes". Proc. Photonics West. 2022.

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MLR: Metallic Laser Reflector

Example of optical component stamped by CudoForm

- Compatible with hermetic packages
- Shapes light emitted by laser diodes
- Focus, expand, or collimate
- Beam correction (FA and SA)
- Beam combination
- Tolerances below 1 μm
- Optically smooth mirrors
- For single lasers or arrays
- Rugged and thermally stable
- Constructed of aluminum

Application of stamped mirrors in laser beam module

Rendering of MLR used to shape and combine RGB laser beams in hermetic module.

Laser diode package

Chen et al. "Improvements in size, weight, and cost of laser modules for AR|VR|MR using stamped reflective optics". Submitted to SPIE Photonics West. 2023.



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