

Status of On-Detector Opto-Links

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- Results on prototype opto-boards
- Results on prototype opto-board irradiation
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Summary of Opto-Board Flavors

- 4 opto-board flavors
 - ◆ D opto-board (disk): 7 TTC + 7 data links (2 flavors)
 - ◆ B opto-board (B-layer): 7 TTC + 14 data links
 - ◆ IBL opto-board: 8 TTC + 16 data links

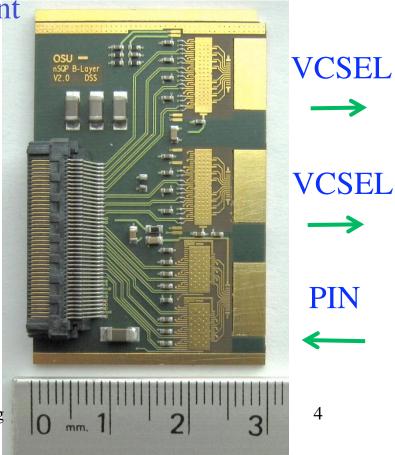
nSQP B Opto-Board

In spring, decided to produce copper backed PCB over thick film BeO for cost saving

CERN PCB shop fabricated 25 B-layer opto-boards

PCB design/fabrication quality excellent

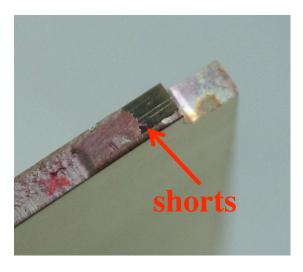
- good passive/connector soldering
- sharp etch patterns
 - ⇒ easy wire-bond
- no error found in schematic/layout
- Problems with copper backing plate

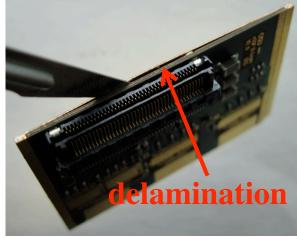


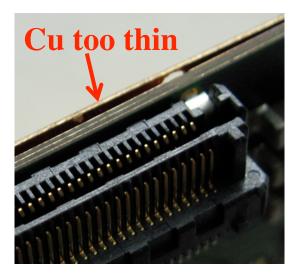


Fabrication Problems

- Shorts between VVDC, GND, and Cu plates
 - planes 125 μm from edge exposed after cut out
- Several boards were delaminated from Cu plate
- Cu plate too thin (< 200 μm) for good heat conduction









Design Changes

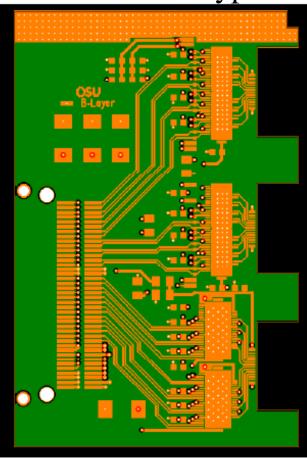
- Design modified to ease fabrication:
 - all artwork 250 μm from PCB edge
 - notches for opto-packs removed
 - PCB outline identical to Cu plate
- Mechanical/thermal improvements:
 - increase Cu plate thickness to 1 mm
 - add holes for extraction tool
 - exposed Cu on top layer for cooling of iFlame opto-pack (if used)
- Submitting to CERN PCB house this week for fabrication
 - also asking a US vendor to quote/fabricate PCB

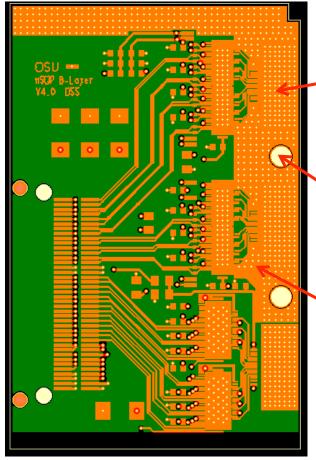


Design Changes

First Prototype

V4.0 (new)





No cutouts for optopacks, board is exact size as Cu plate

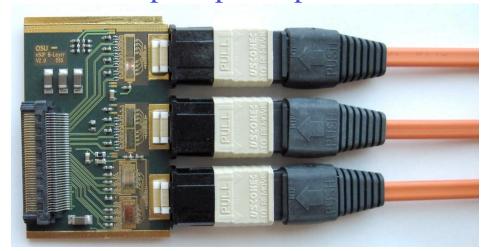
Added 2 mm extraction holes

Added exposed Cu on top layer



Prototype Opto-Board Irradiation

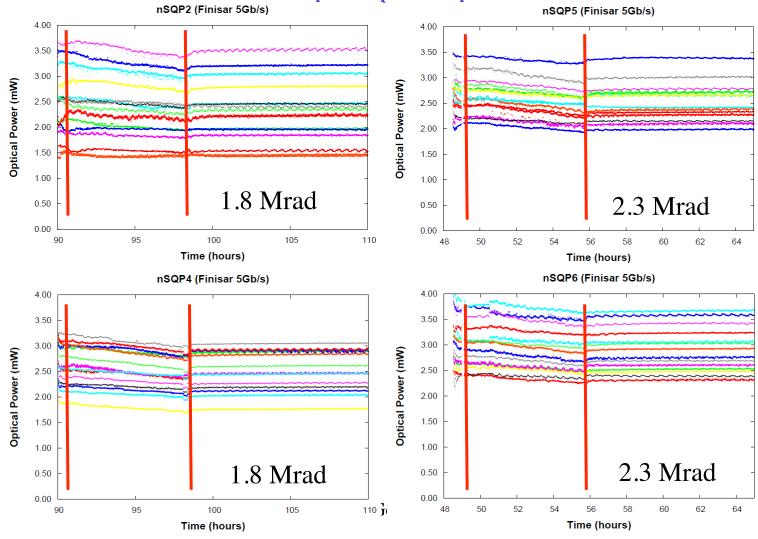
- Populated 6 prototype opto-boards:
 - used Finisar 5 Gb/s VCSELs and ULM PINs with OSU opto-packs
 - assembly was straightforward
 - wire-bonding went well
- Irradiated 4 opto-boards with 24 GeV protons at CERN:
 - ◆ 2 boards to 8 x 10¹³ p/cm² or 1.8 Mrad (18 kGy)
 - 2 boards to 10 x 10¹³ p/cm² or 2.3 Mrad (23 kGy)
 - no increase in PIN current thresholds for no bit errors
 - modest decrease in output optical power





Prototype Opto-Board Irradiation

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iFlame Opto-packs

- Fabricated by Xloom
- Received 11 opto-packs with 4-channel VCSEL and PIN arrays
- Semi-hermetic sealed using optical epoxy similar to OSU/Taiwan opto-packs
- Optical power is somewhat low:

significant reflection loss due to design limitation

PIN array

VCSEL array

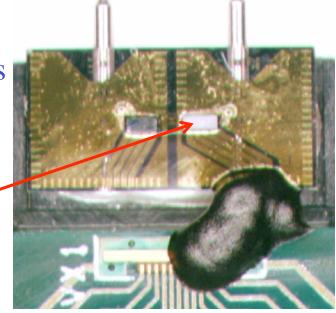
iFlame opto-pack image courtesy Tony Weidberg



iFlame Opto-packs

- Channels on 3 opto-packs died during burn-in
- Xloom blamed the death on thermal stress
 - no heat sink attached during test
 - no heat sink required in OSU or Taiwan opto-packs
- 6 opto-packs were irradiated with 24 GeV protons at CERN
 - degradation is modest
- Learning to fabricate 12-channel opto-packs
 - encountered technical difficulties
 - expect delivery soon

Require heat sink attached to back of VCSEL array

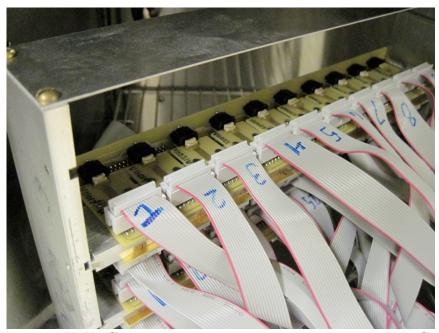


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85/85 Test

- Started stress test with 85% relative humidity @ 85°C
 - operate all 12 VCSEL channels with 10 mA DC
 - continuously monitor optical power and current consumption
 - good devices expected to survive at least 2,000 hours





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85/85 Test

- 20 ULM VCSEL arrays:
 - no significant degradation after 500 hours
- 20 Finisar VCSEL arrays:
 - ◆ 15 arrays exhibited high common series resistance
 - problem worsen at 85°C
 - working with Finisar to find the cause
- Will test 20 iFlame opto-packs when available
- Will test 20 opto-boards once design settled



Summary

- Experience from nSQP prototype B opto-board has lead to improved design
 - new design submitted for fabrication
- Successful irradiation of 4 nSQP prototype B opto-boards
- 85/58 stress test started
- Will work on nSQP D board and IBL board once B boards validated