

A Novel MT-style Optical Package

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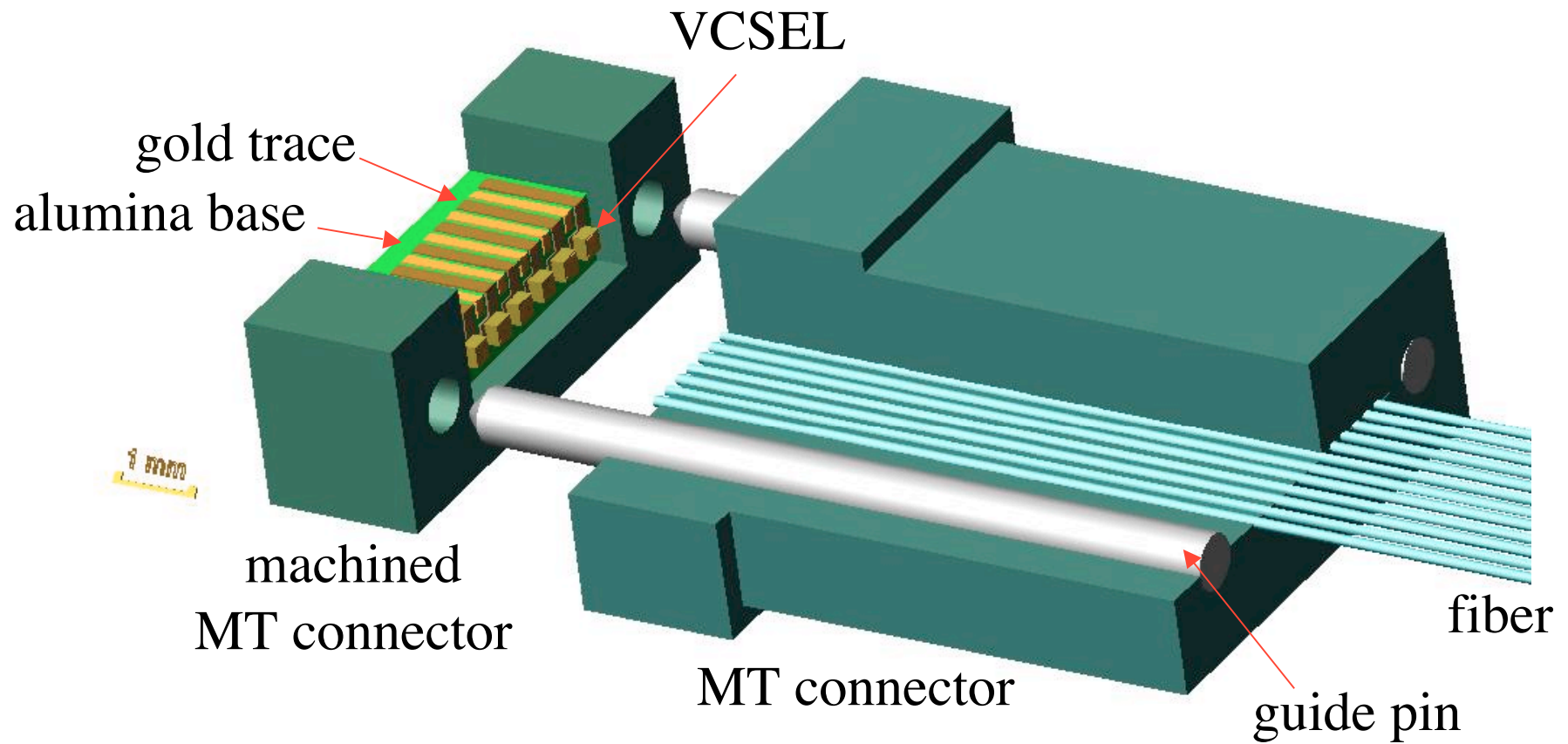
Introduction

- optical fibers now replacing copper wires in HEP detectors:
 - ☆ eliminate electromagnetic interference
 - ☆ eliminate ground loops
- commercial VCSEL/PIN packages too bulky for vertex detectors
 - ☞ custom design optical packages
 - ☞ convert MT fiber connector into an optical package
 - ☞ MT-style optical package allows easy mounting/removal of fiber bundle during testing and detector assembly

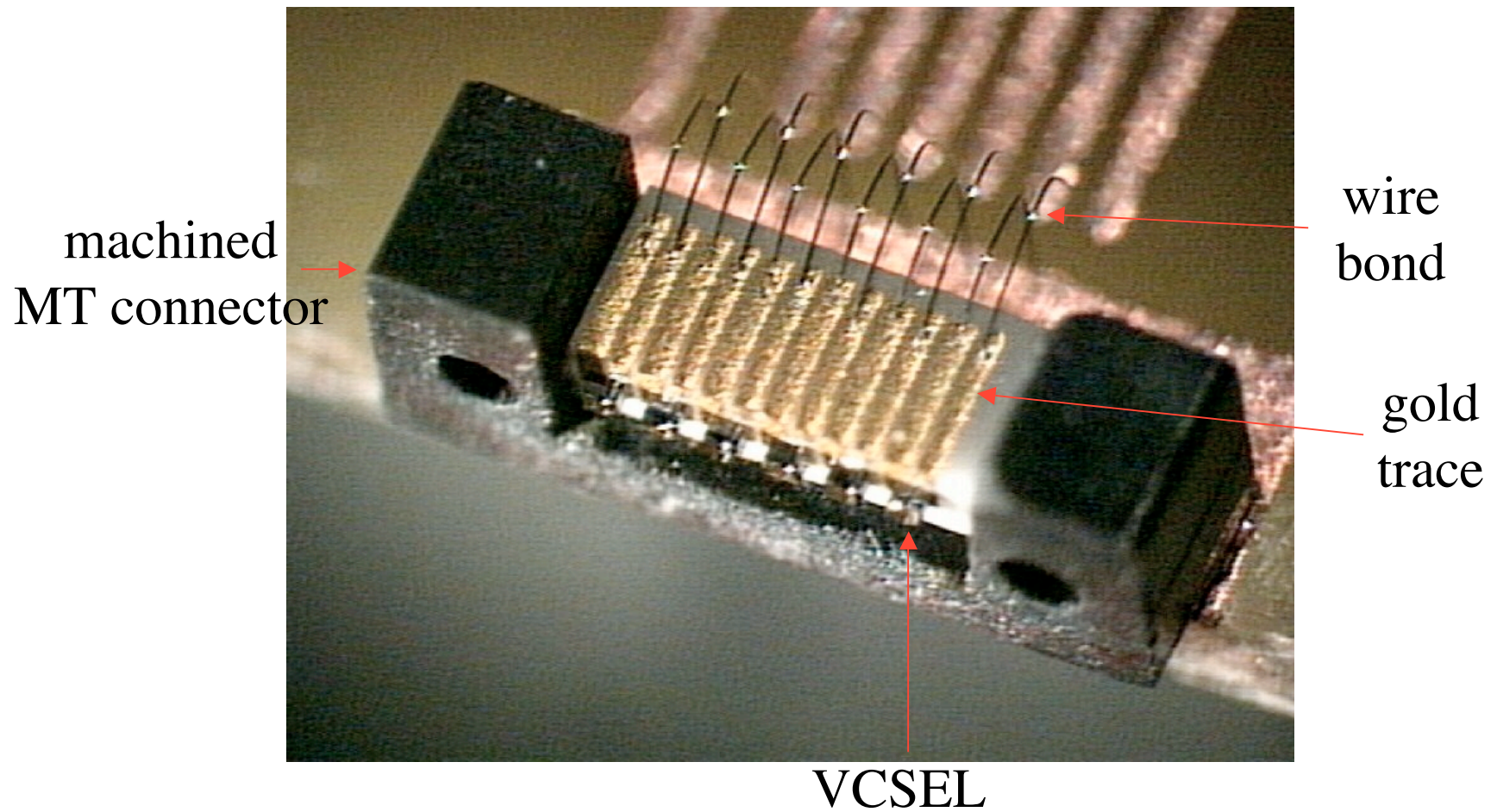
Design

- good coupled optical power requires good VCSEL alignment:
 - ☆ 50 μm in z (along fibre)
 - ☆ 25 μm in x and y (transverse to fibre)
- alignment for PIN is not stringent
- machine a pocket on MT connector for placement of base:
 - ☆ use alumina as base substrate:
 - ground alumina sheet to proper thickness
 - cut alumina sheet into strips
 - deposit 3D gold traces on strips for wire bondings, VCSEL/PIN placements
 - cut alumina strips into bases
 - 👉 3D traces have good connectivity ($\sim 94\%$)

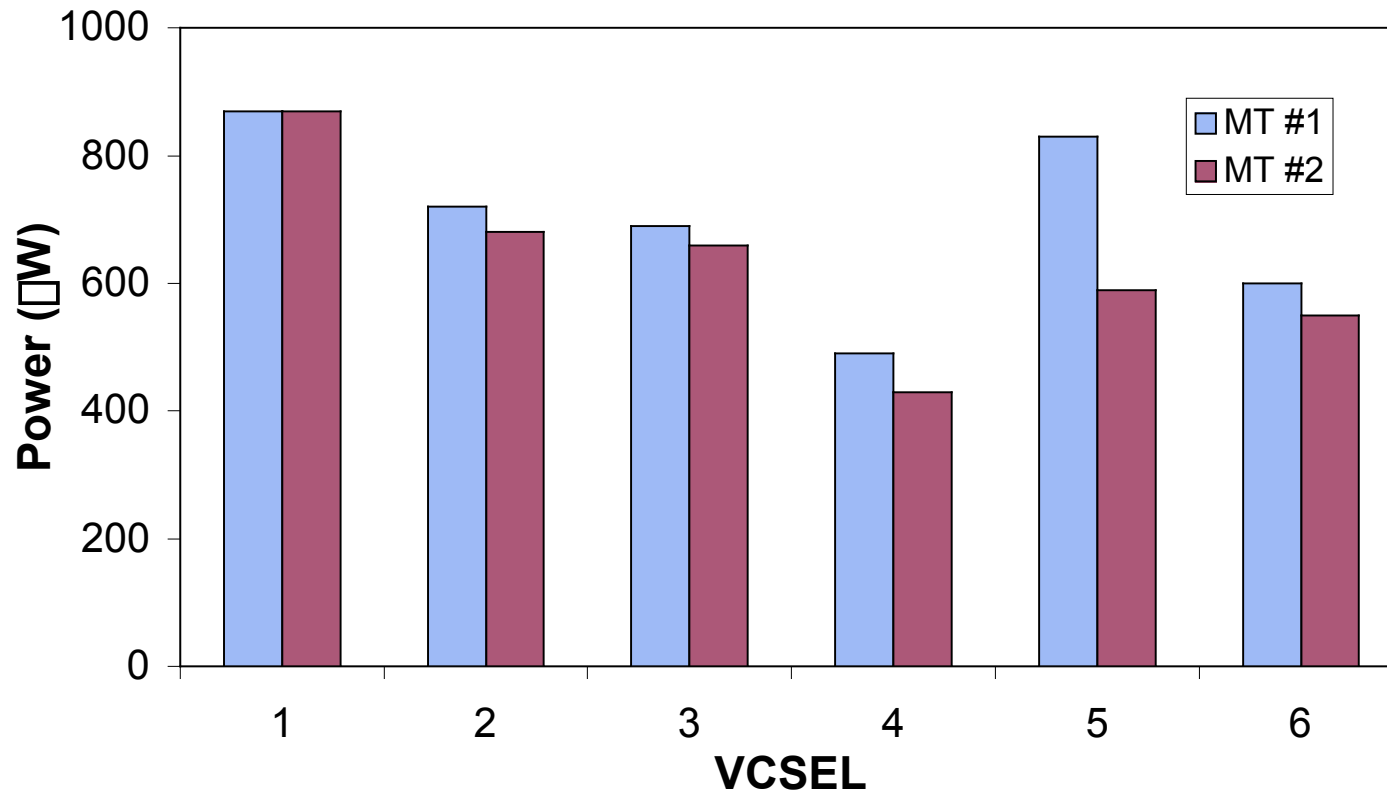
VCSEL Opto-pack Design



VCSEL Opto-pack

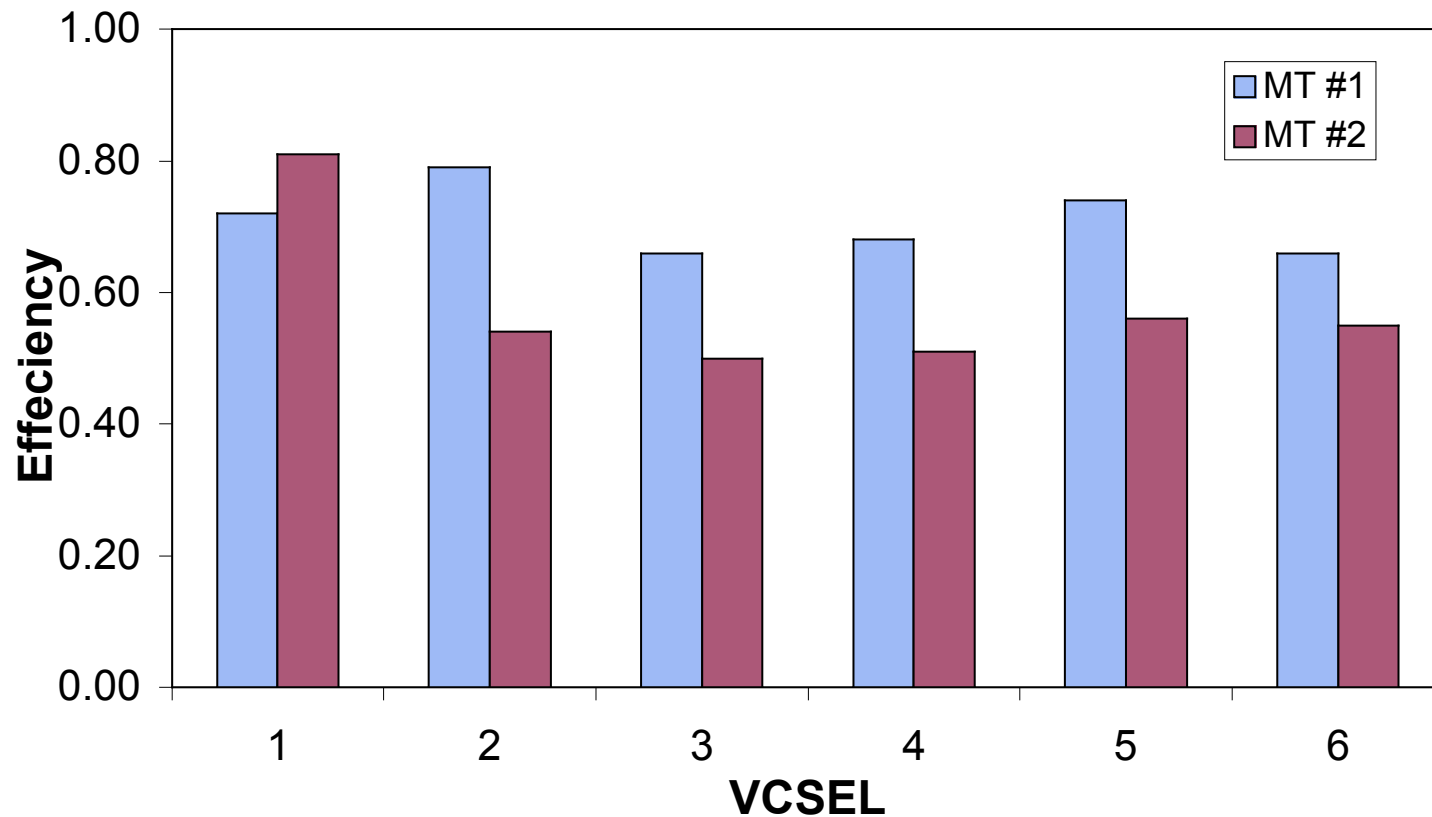


Coupled VCSEL Power @ 10 mA



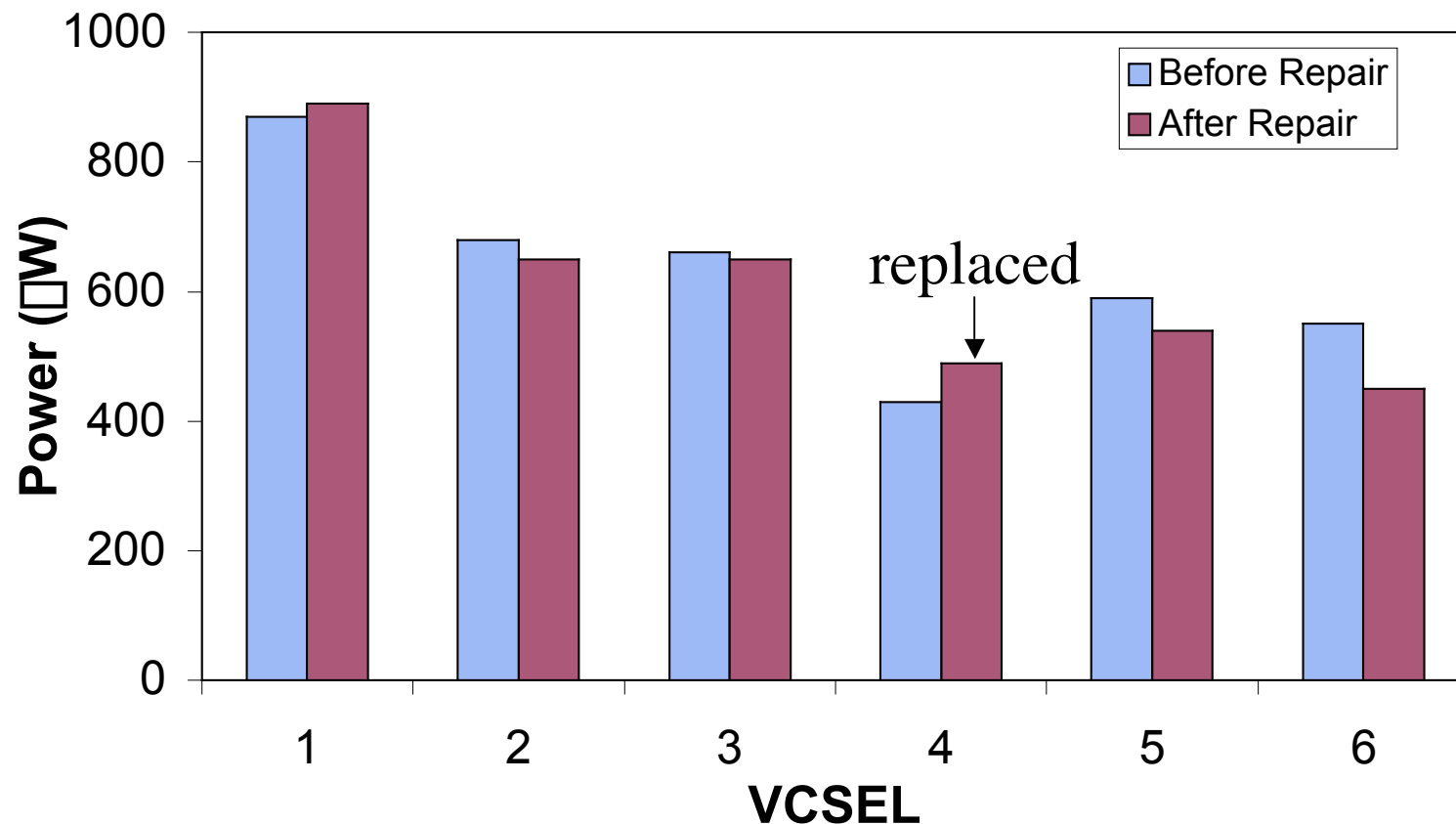
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VCSEL Power Coupling Efficiency



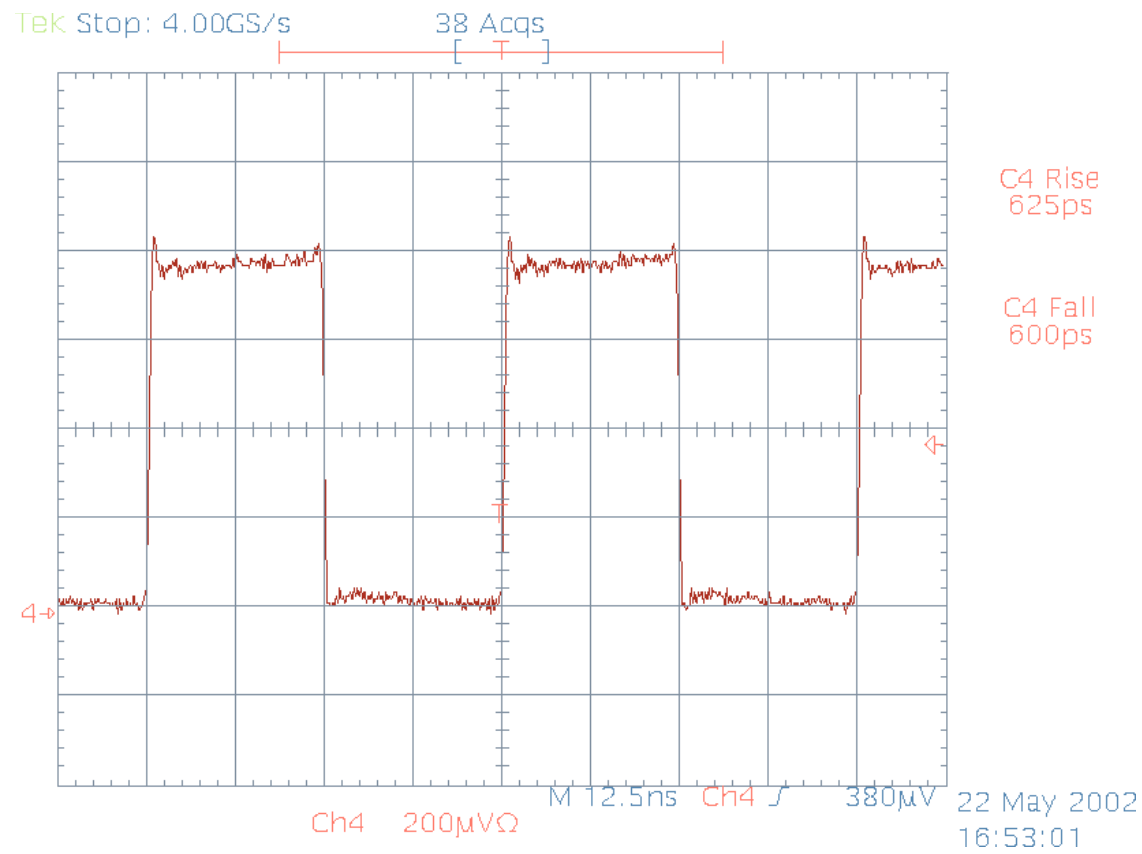
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Coupled Power After VCSEL Replacement



- VCSEL can be replaced without damaging adjacent channels

VCSEL Waveform



- VCSEL opto-pack has fast rise and fall times

MT-style Opto-pack Issues/Limitations

- opto-pack limited to 6 channels due to physical limitations:
 - spacing between fibers is 250 μ m for 12-fibers MT connector
 - VCSEL is 250 μ m wide
- 8 or 12 channel opto-pack can be fabricated using:
 - 8 or 12-channel VCSEL/PIN array
 - fabricated MT connector with wider fiber spacing

Summary on MT-style Opto-pack

- MT-style opto-pack has good coupled power/efficiency
- MT-style opto-pack is repairable
 - ☞ principle of MT-style opto-pack demonstrated