

Molex Mezzanine Product Solutions

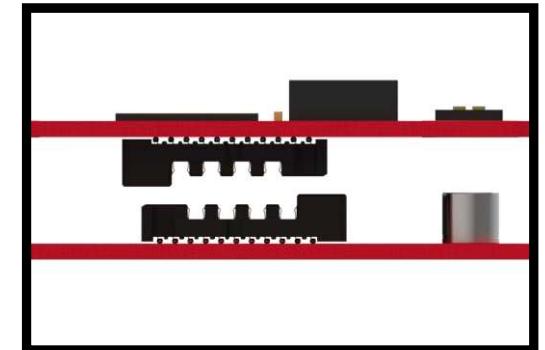


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Molex Mezzanine Solutions Introduction

As the electronics industry continues to move towards more flexible platform solutions, mezzanine connectors are crucial to meet the associated densities, stack heights, and environmental and speed requirements.

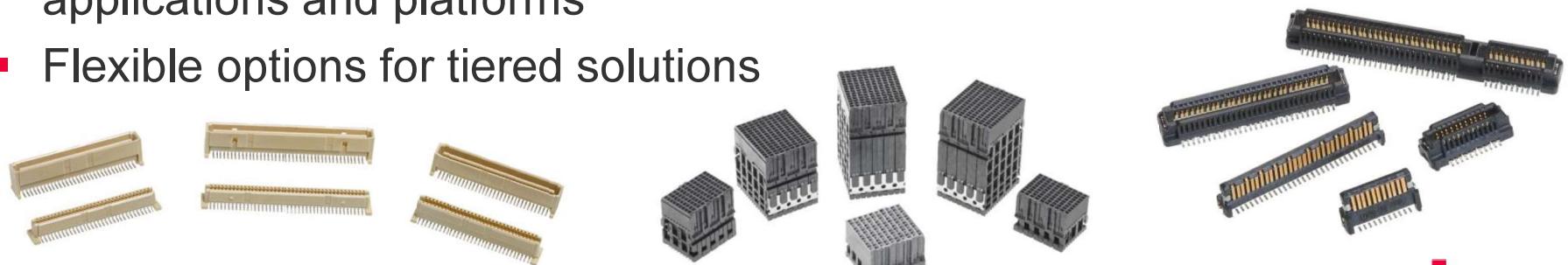


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Why Molex Mezzanine Connectors?

Molex offers a broad selection of mezzanine connectors with consistent quality

- Wide range of circuit sizes, stack heights and speeds
- Ruggedized designs, modular structures, low-profile mated heights and hermaphroditic features included within our portfolio
- Products capable of providing solutions across many customer applications and platforms
- Flexible options for tiered solutions



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Mezzanine Markets and Applications



Computing/
Data

Telecommunications/
Networking

Industrial
Automation

Aerospace/
Defense

Automotive



Medical



Consumer
Electronics



Security



Internet
of Things

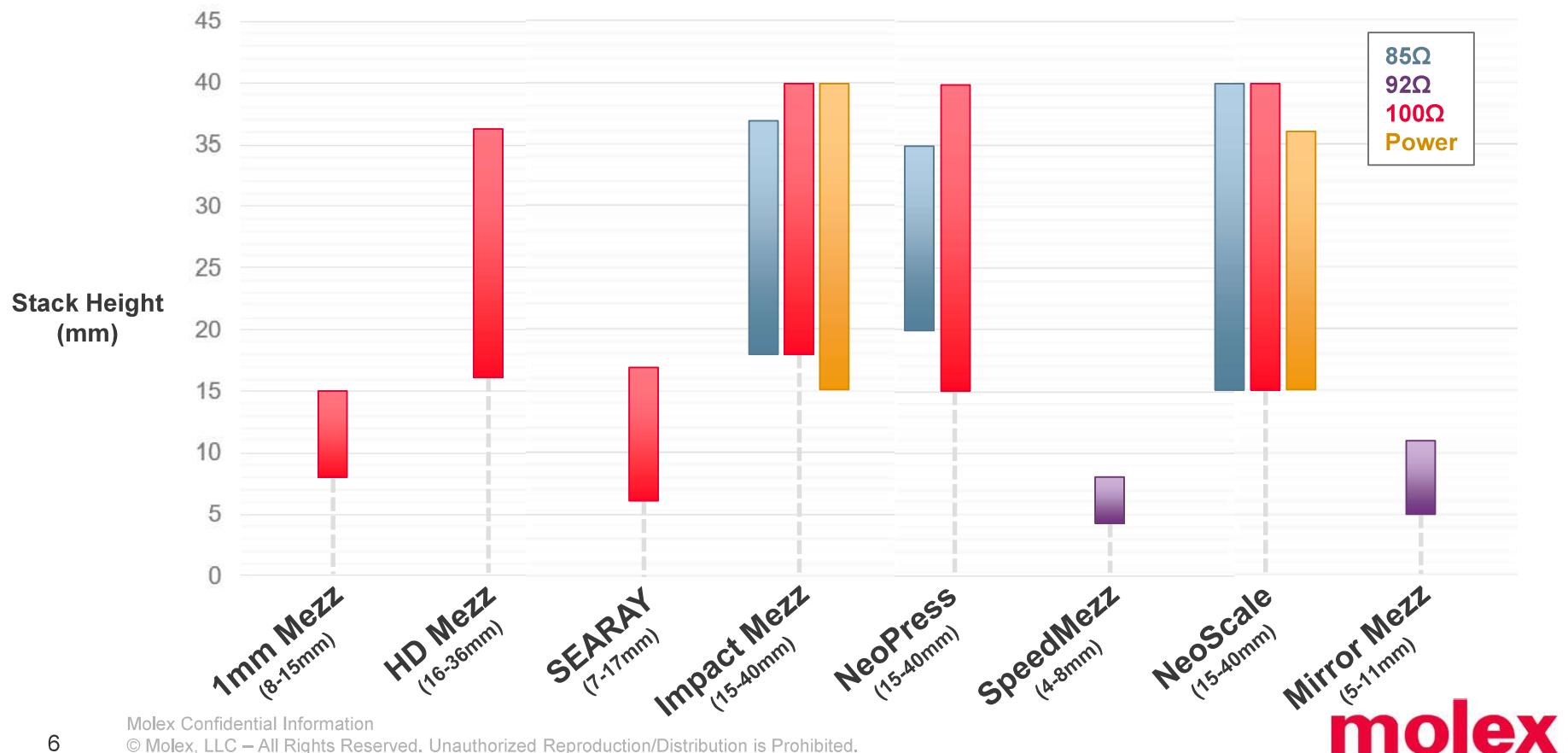
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Molex Mezzanine Stack Heights





1.00mm Mezzanine



HD Mezz



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Impact Mezz



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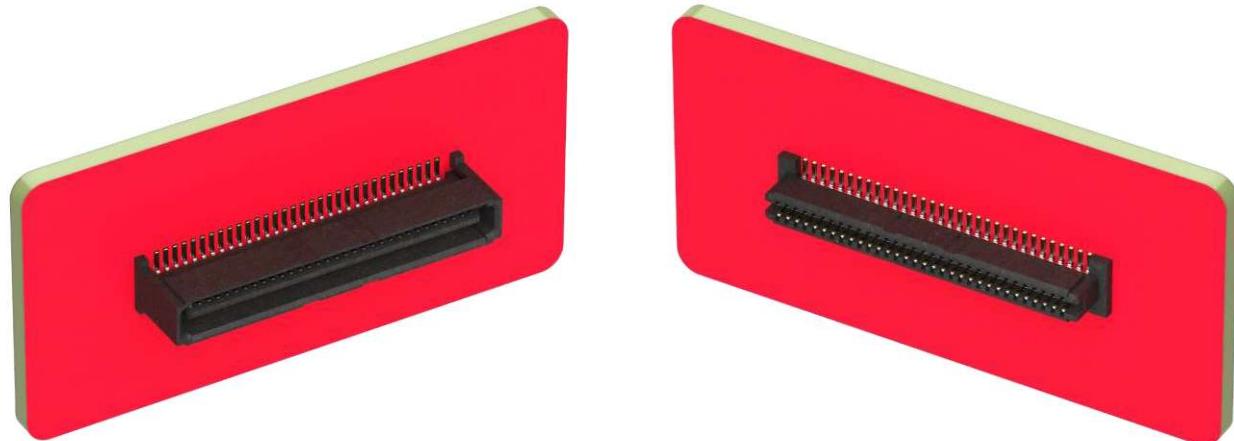
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1.00mm Mezzanine (PMC IEEE 1386) Introduction

1.00mm Mezzanine is an industry-standard solution that adds parallel board stacking functionality and is widely recognized for its mechanical and electrical reliability

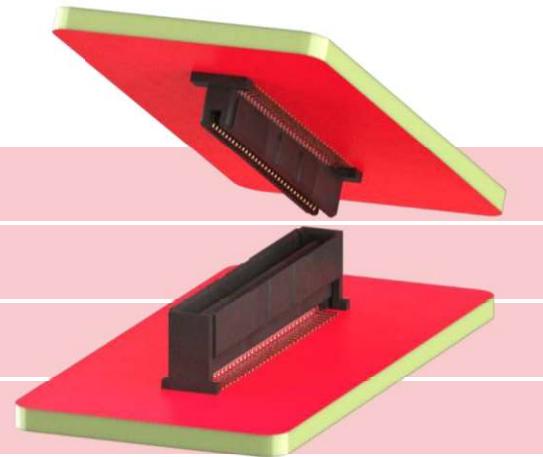


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1.00mm Mezzanine (PMC IEEE 1386)

Overview

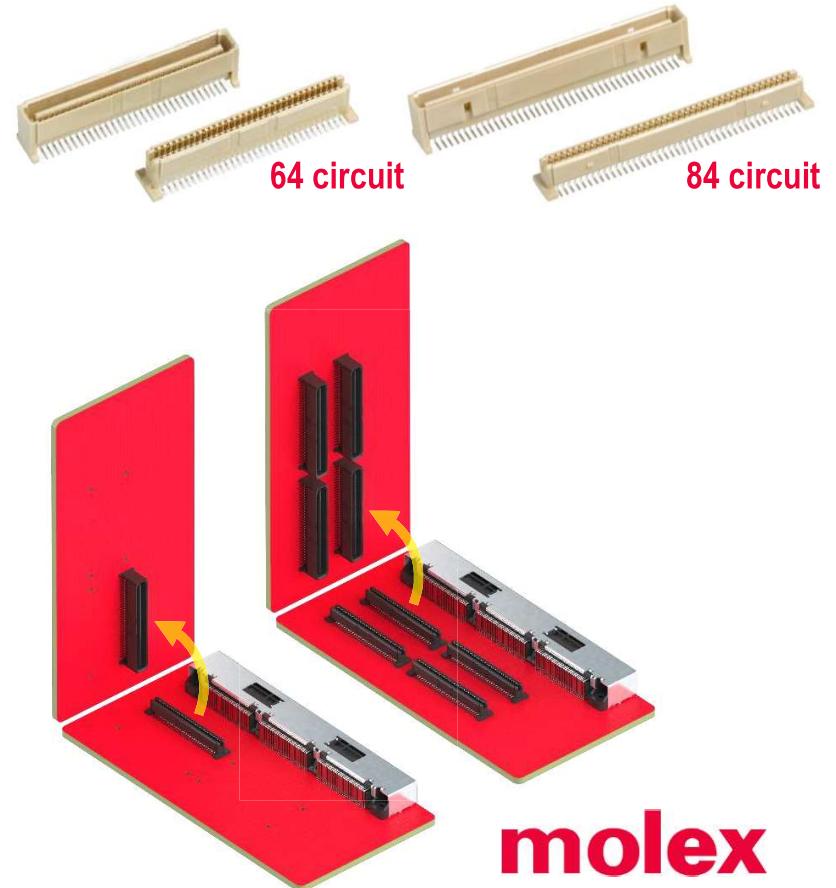
Speeds	3Gbps
Stack Height	8-15mm
Circuit Size	64 and 84
Pitch	1.00mm
Surface Mount	SMT (solder tails)
Other	64-pin connector standardized as IEEE 1386 Proven automotive application



1.00mm Mezzanine (PMC IEEE 1386)

Features and Advantages

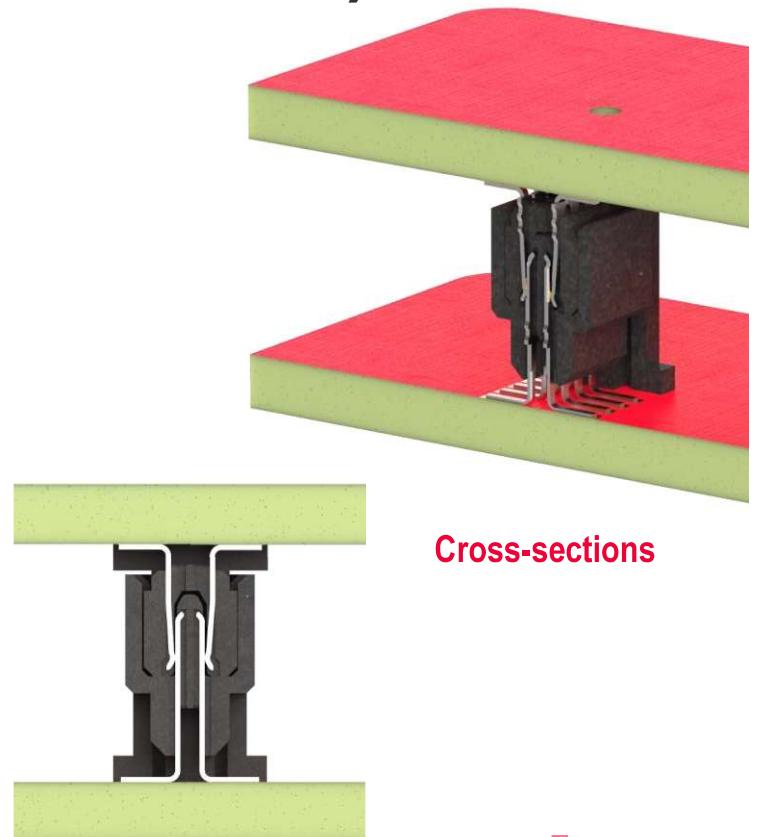
- Optional pick and place caps and/or locating pegs
- Multiple options for packaging (tape and reel or tube)
- Low mating force to prevent stress on PCB or contact solder joints
- Can be arrayed up to 4 mated pairs based on industry standard spec
- Narrow-body housing maximizes airflow for better thermal performance



1.00mm Mezzanine (PMC IEEE 1386)

Features and Advantages

- Housings are fully shrouded to prevent contact damage when handling
- Leaf-style contact design prevents stubbing when mating
- Plug terminal is a flat blade supported and protected by housing on three sides
- Only the surface of the receptacle contact is exposed, virtually eliminating bent pins



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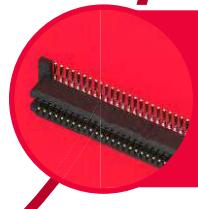
1.00mm Mezzanine Takeaways



Industry standard product qualified for PMC applications as part of the IEEE 1386 standard



Rugged housing with protected pin interface for reliable contact engagement



Slim-body housing minimizes airflow obstruction

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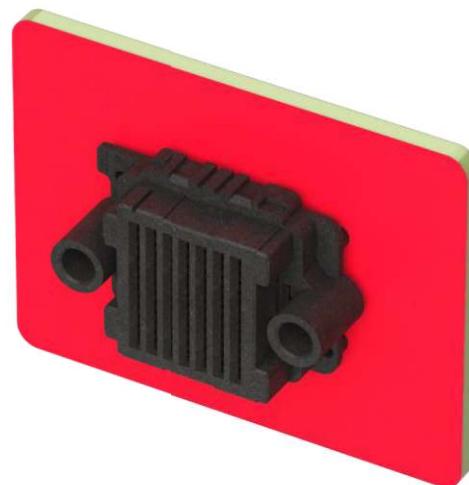
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HD Mezz Introduction

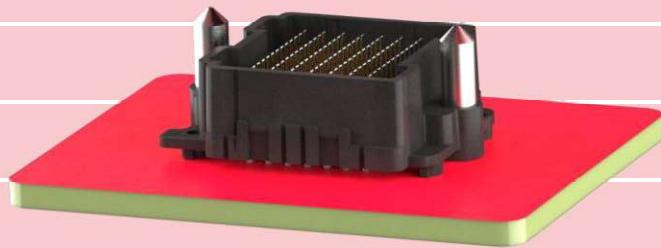
HD Mezz is the most robust solution within the Molex Mezzanine Portfolio featuring an enforced waferized design, guide pins and lead-in geometry



HD Mezz

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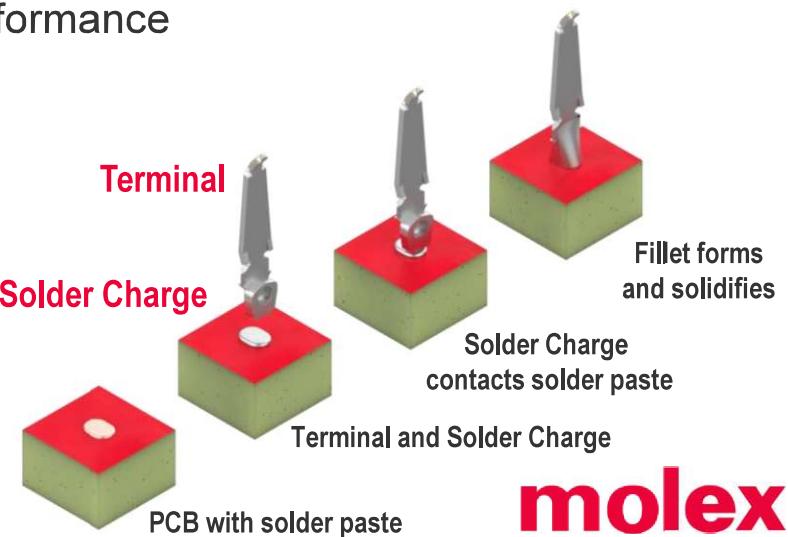
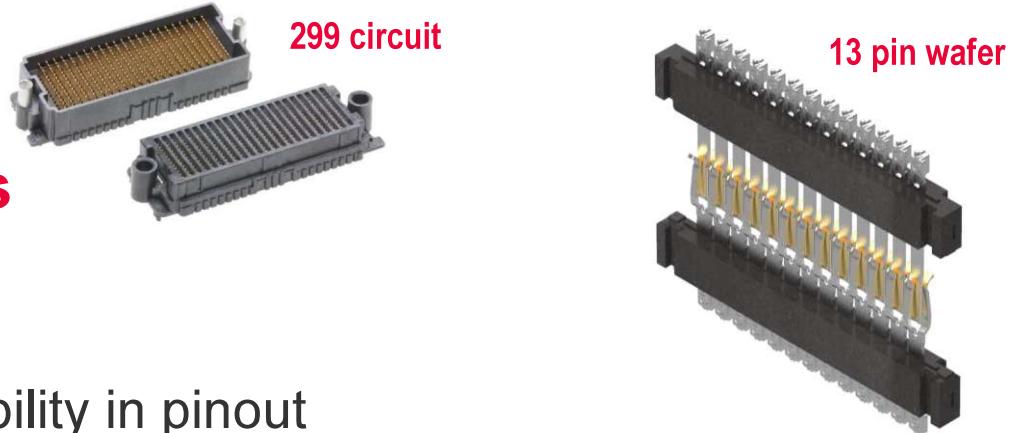
Speed	12.5Gbps
Stack Height	16-36mm
Circuit Size	91-351
Pitch	1.2mm x 2.0mm
Surface Mount	SMT (solder charge)
Other	Ruggedized design Proven automotive application



HD Mezz

Features and Advantages

- Most robust of the mezzanine connectors
- Open pin field design for flexibility in pinout
 - Single-ended performance, differential performance and/or power (2A/circuit)
- High-density: 60 diff pairs per in²
- Waferized design: 13 pins per wafer
- Solder-Charge board termination

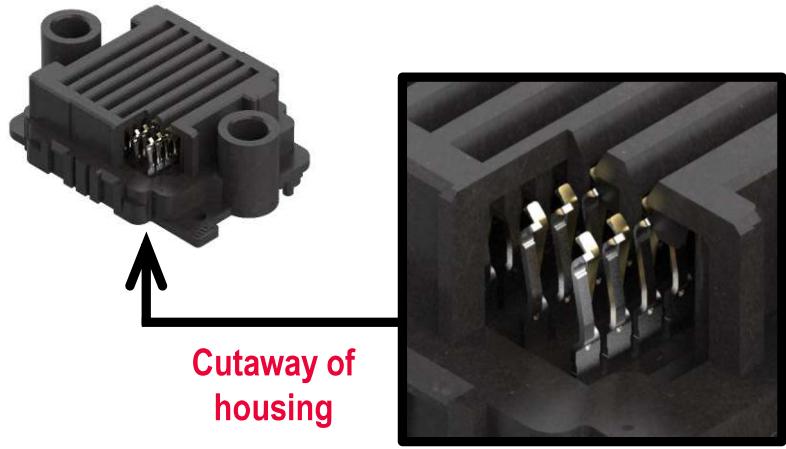


HD Mezz

Features and Advantages

Robust Design

- 2 points of contact with 2mm wipe
- Guide pins for rough alignment
- Anti-stubbing housing
 - Housing chamfers act as lead-in feature with 1.68mm gathering to center plug contact over receptacle contacts
- Polarized and blind mateable
- Solder nails on receptacle

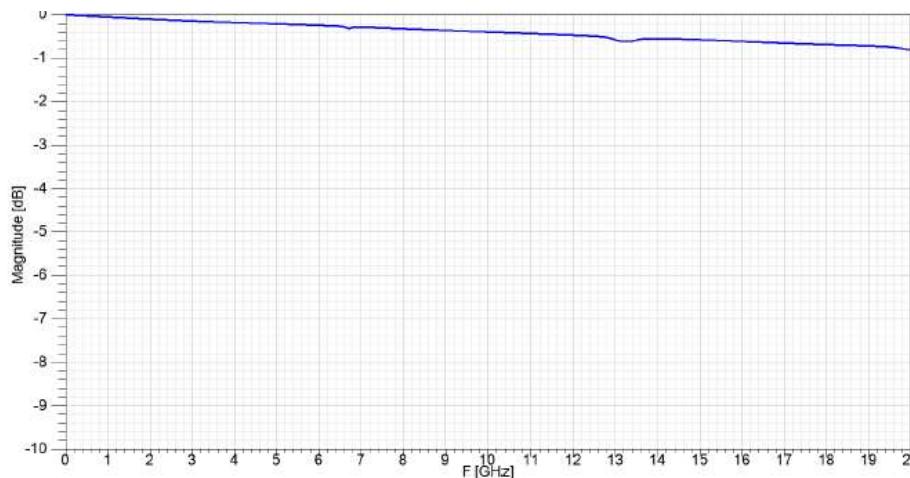


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HD Mezz Measured SI Data

16mm Differential

Insertion Loss



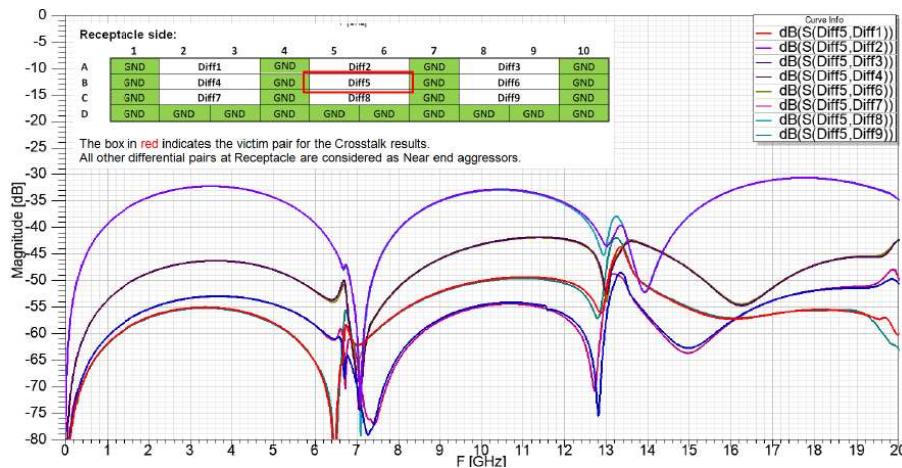
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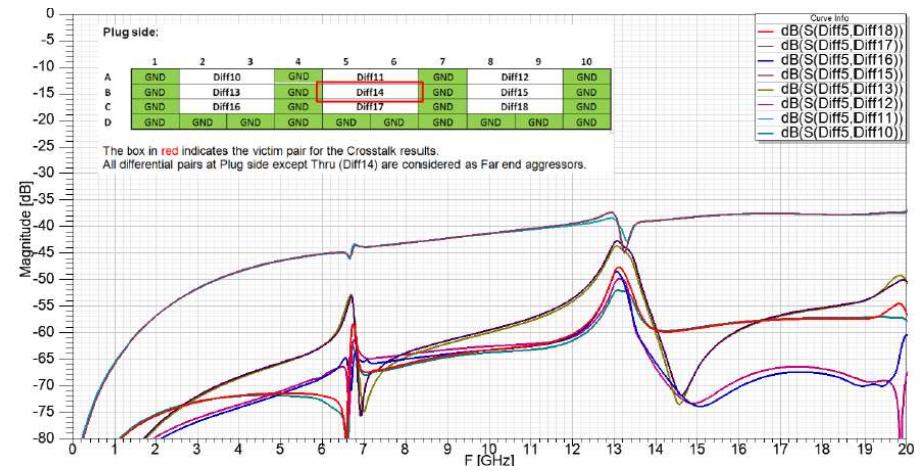
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16mm Differential

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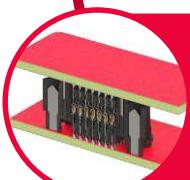
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HD Mezz Takeaways



Open pin field for versatility in signal layout for high-speed, low-speed and power



Proven design for rugged automotive applications and harsh environment testing



Robust housing design with sturdy guidance features for alignment applications

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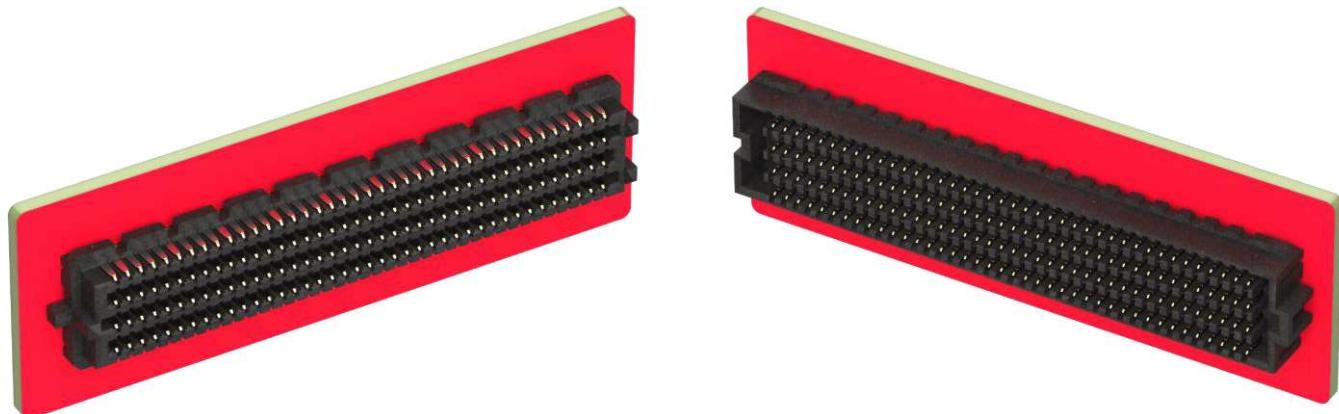
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SEARAY Introduction

A dense mezzanine connector with a robust, low-profile mechanical design, SEARAY provides flexibility for customers' applications with its open pin field array and large offering of tooled options



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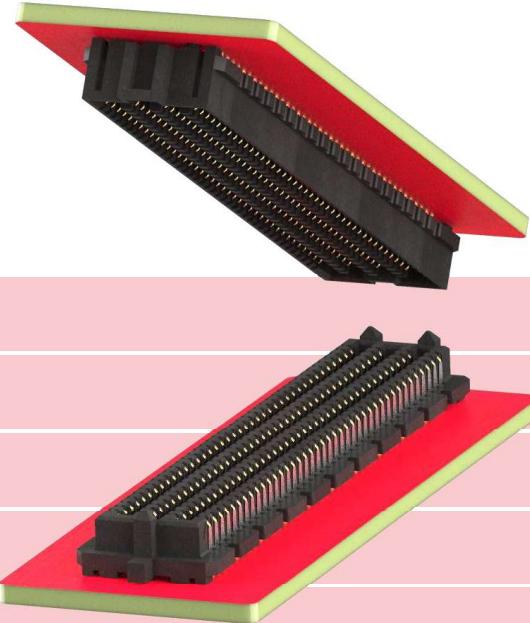
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SEARAY

Overview

Speed	12.5+Gbps
Stack Height	7-17mm
Circuit Size	40-500
Pitch	1.27mm x 1.27mm
Surface Mount	SMT (solder charge)
Other	Ruggedized design Proven automotive application



SEARAY

Features and Advantages

- Large number of pin counts and stack heights tooled
 - SEARAY Slim: 4-row
 - SEARAY: 8-row and 10-row
- High-density: 60 diff pairs per in²
- Open pin field design for flexibility in pinout
 - Single-ended performance, differential performance and/or power (up to 2.7A/circuit)
- Low-profile design
- Solder-Charge board termination



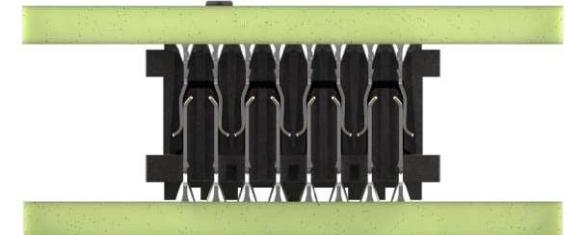
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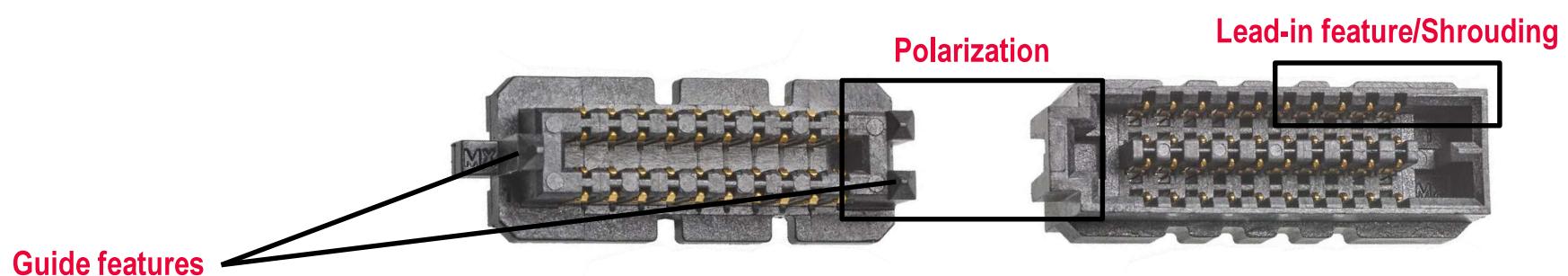
Features and Advantages

Robust Design

- Guide features and polarization for rough alignment
- Lead-in feature and shrouding to prevent stubbing
- Can handle up to 10° longitudinal zippering when mated
- Blind mateable

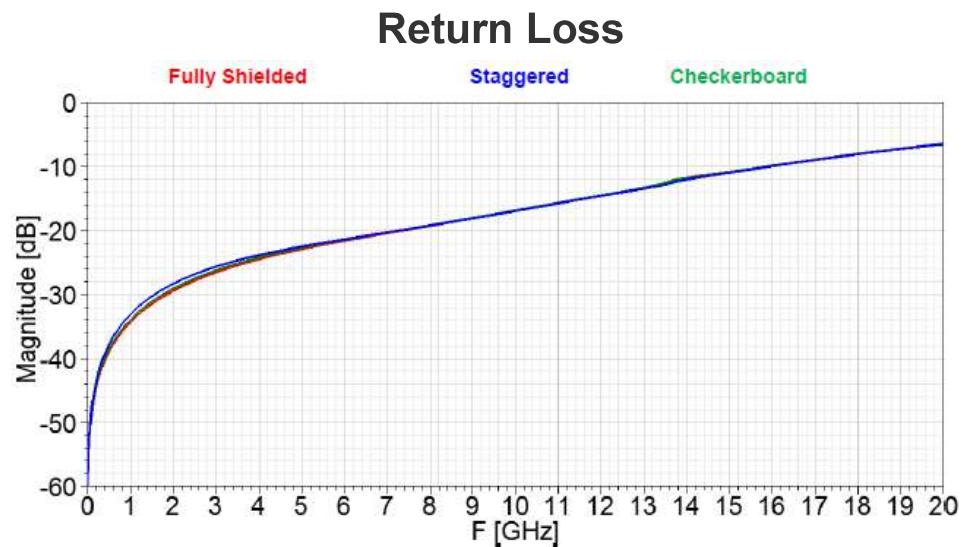


Cross-section



SEARAY Measured SI Data

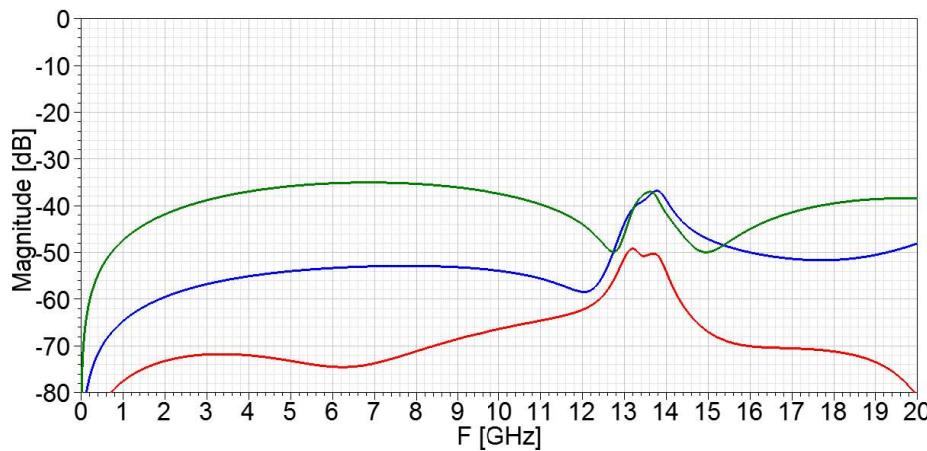
7mm Differential



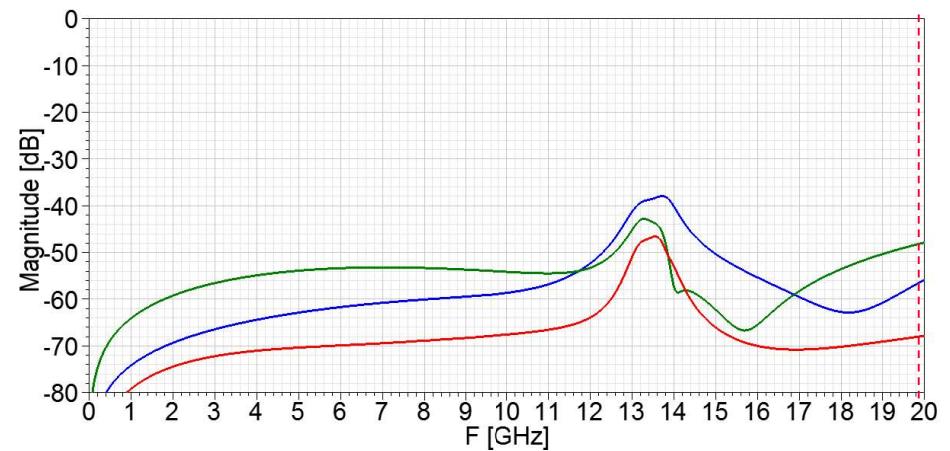
SEARAY Measured SI Data

7mm Checker Board Layout

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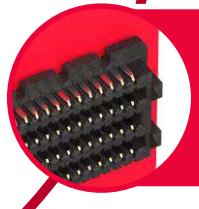
Molex SEARAY Takeaways



12.5+Gbps connector with open pin field design



Large portfolio of available, tooled products for various applications



Robust housing design with polarization features for ease of mating

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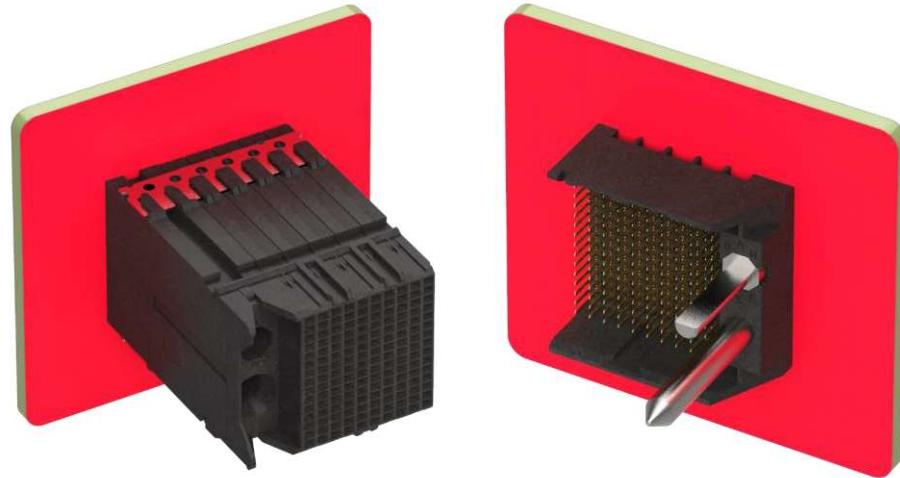
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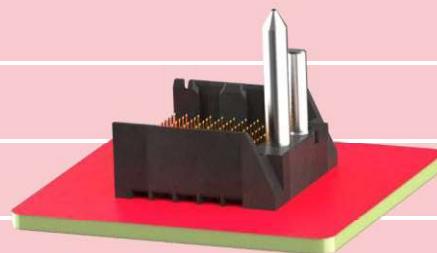
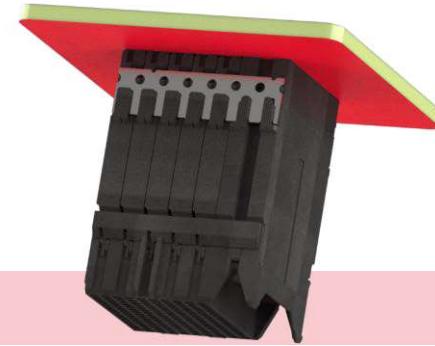
Leveraging the known and successful Impact family design, Impact Mezz utilizes backplane headers mated to vertical female receptacles to create a 25Gbps capable mezzanine product line



Impact Mezz

Overview

Speed	25Gbps
Stack Height	18-40mm
Circuit Size	54-240
Pitch	1.35mm x 1.9mm
Surface Mount	Press-fit
Other	85Ω and 100Ω impedances and power options available End-to-end, on-pitch stackable solution



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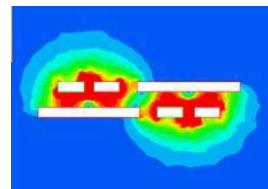
Features and Advantages

Broad-Edge Coupled Design

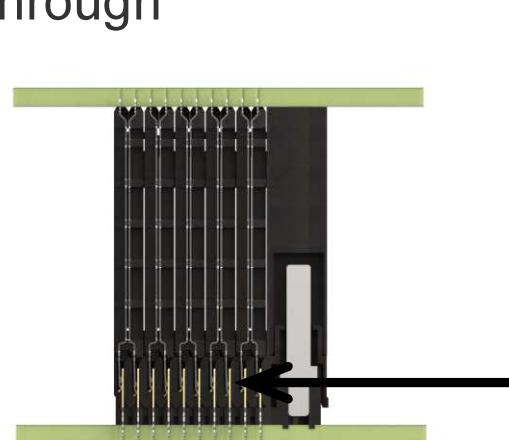
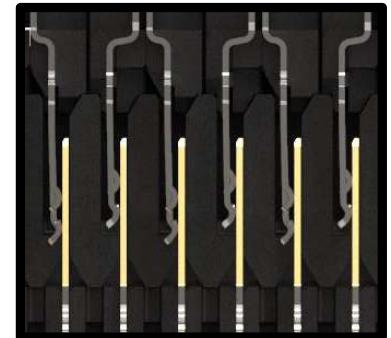
- Density and SI significantly improved over legacy backplane products
- Minimizes crosstalk and improves margin through DP isolation and coupling to grounds

Optimized Mating Interface

- Dual-point contact design reduces mating forces to best in industry



Dual-point contact



Cross-section

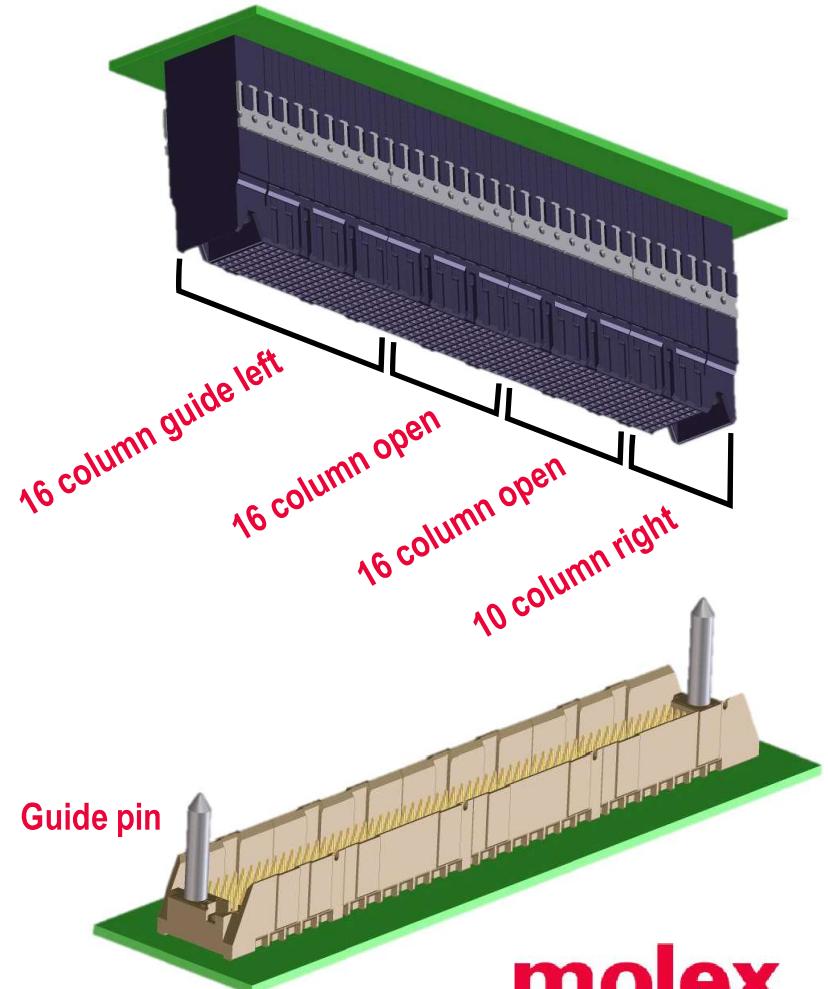
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Impact Mezz

Features and Advantages

End-to-End Stackable

- Utilizing already-tooled versions, customers can stack Impact Mezz connectors end-to-end to create different length configurations without requiring new tooling
- All Impact connectors are “on-pitch” when stacked end-to-end



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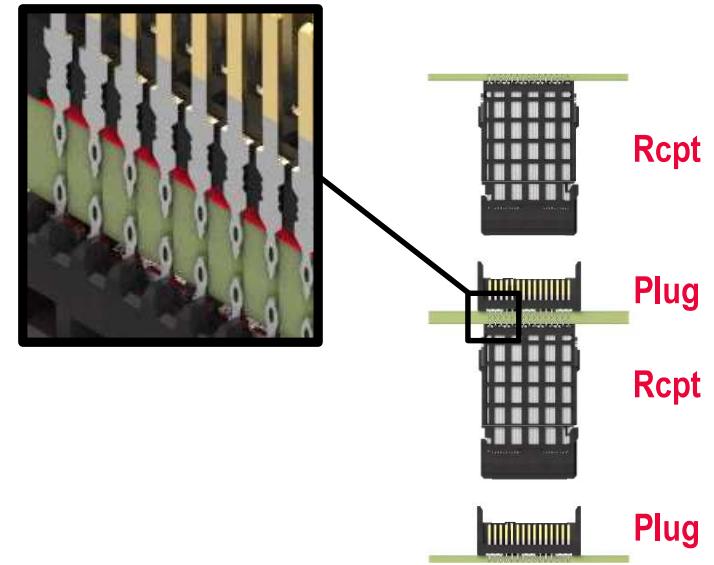
Features and Advantages

Shared Midplane Vias

- Vertical mezz receptacles and mating BP headers have mirror image layouts allowing for shared midplane vias when creating a multi-board “stacker” solution

Mezzanine Power Modules

- Tooled in multiple blade counts and stack heights to provide a power solution (60-120A/module) to compliment Impact Mezz signal connectors

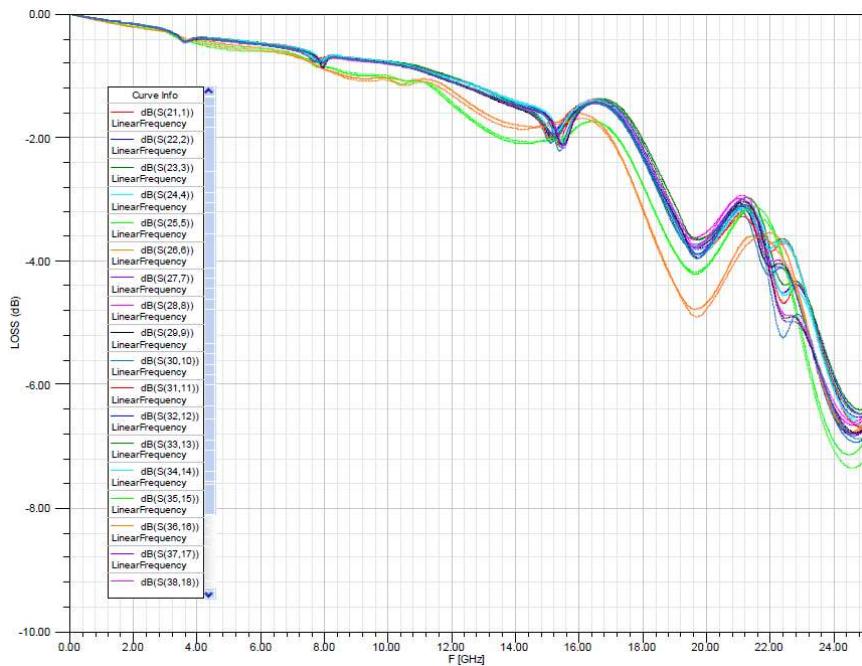


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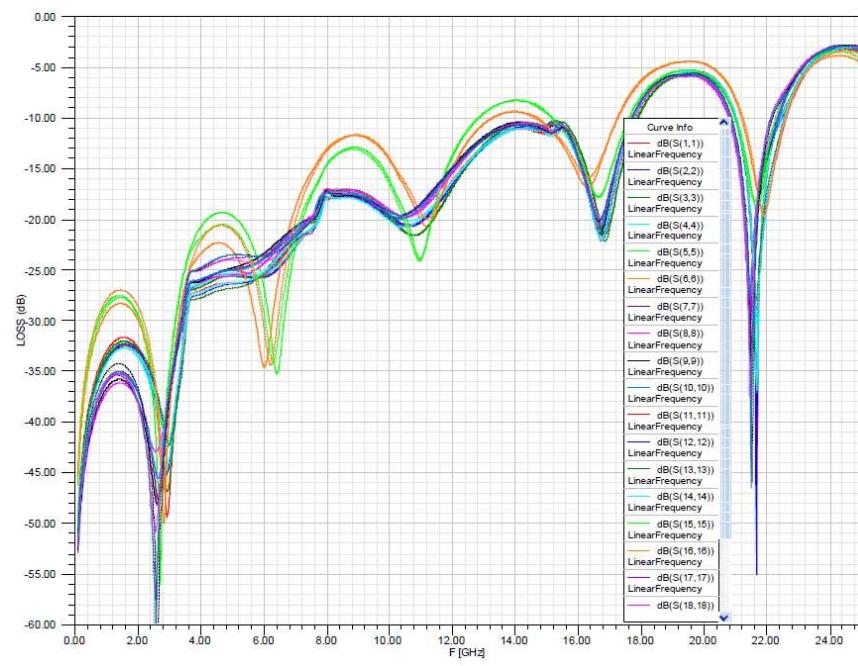
Impact Mezz SI Data

5 Pair 28mm, 100Ω

Insertion Loss



Return Loss



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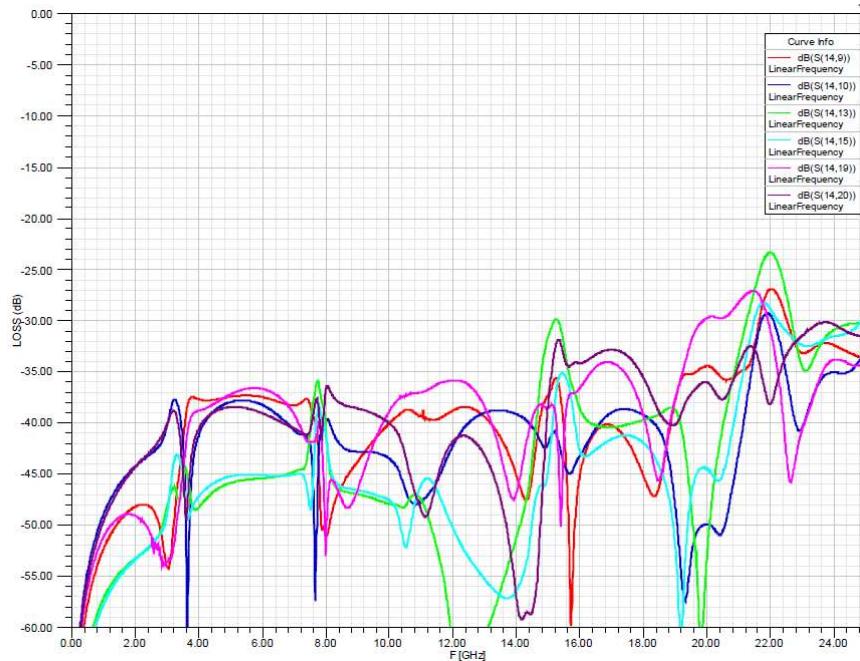
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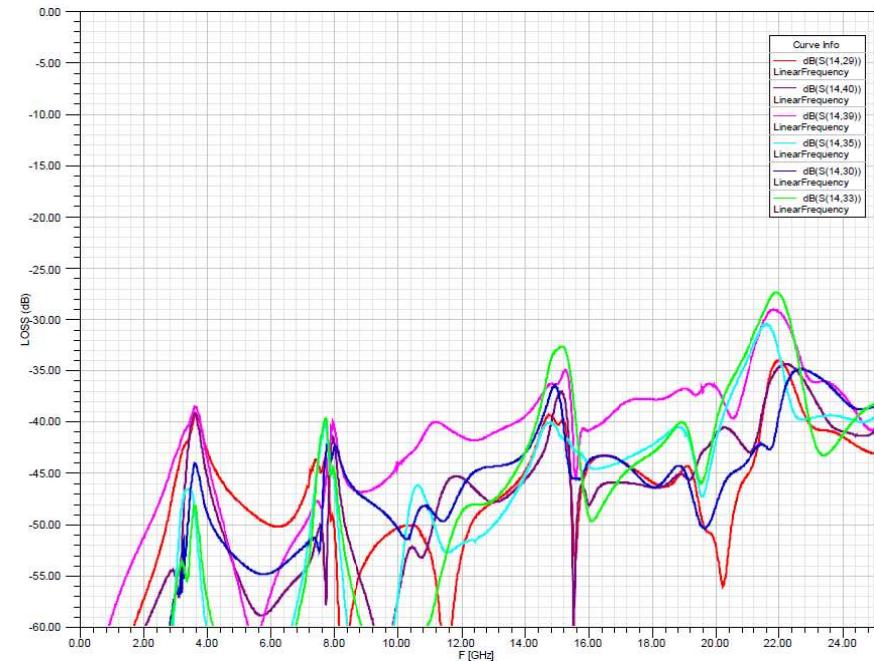
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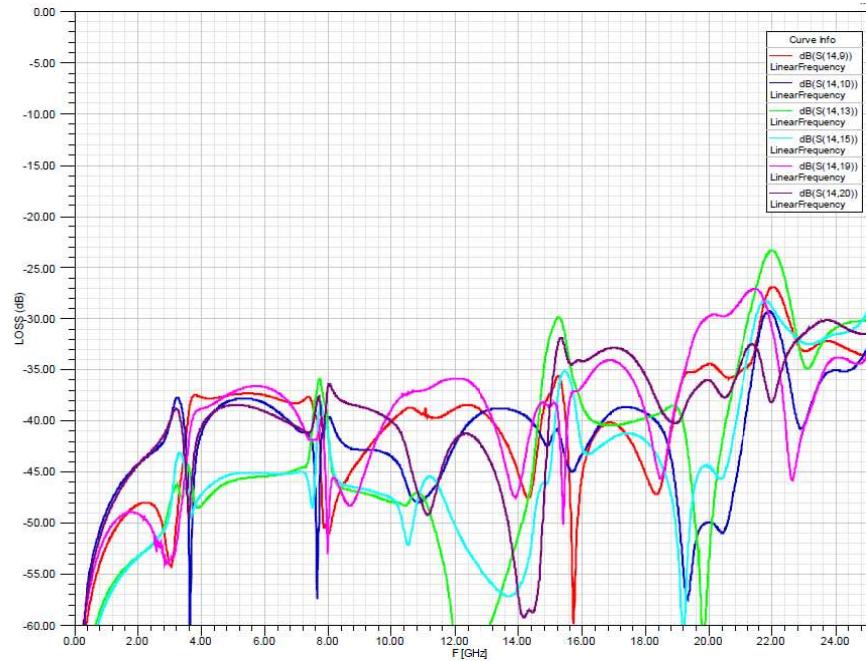
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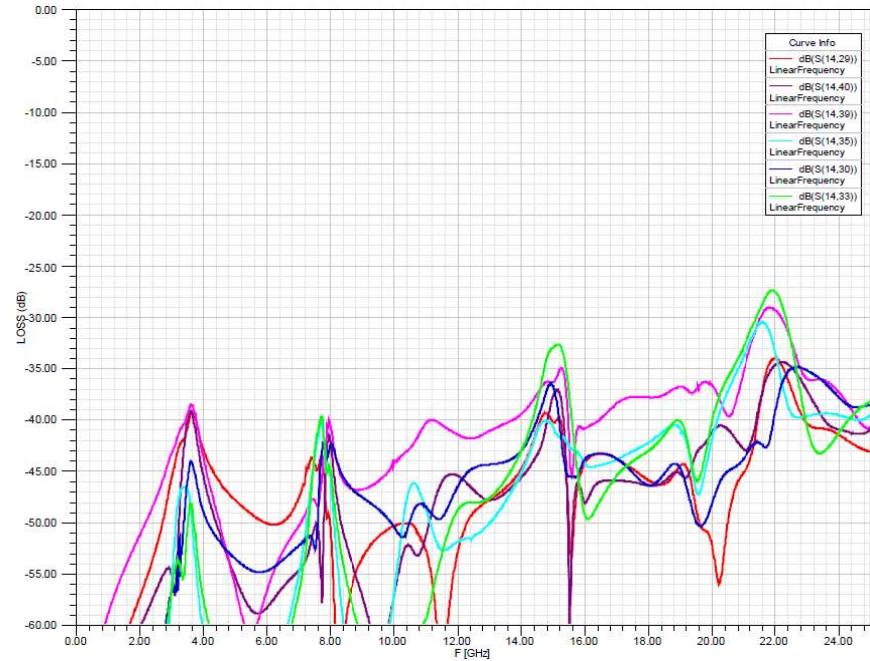
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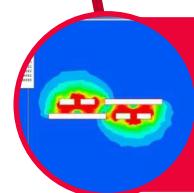
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Impact Mezz Takeaways



Leverages Impact backplane connector design in a high-speed mezzanine solution



Up to 25Gbps signal speed achieved through coupled DP shielding



Easily scaled to support different lengths, stack heights and power demands with tooled options

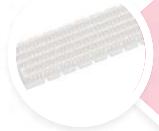
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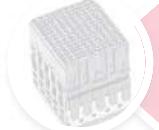
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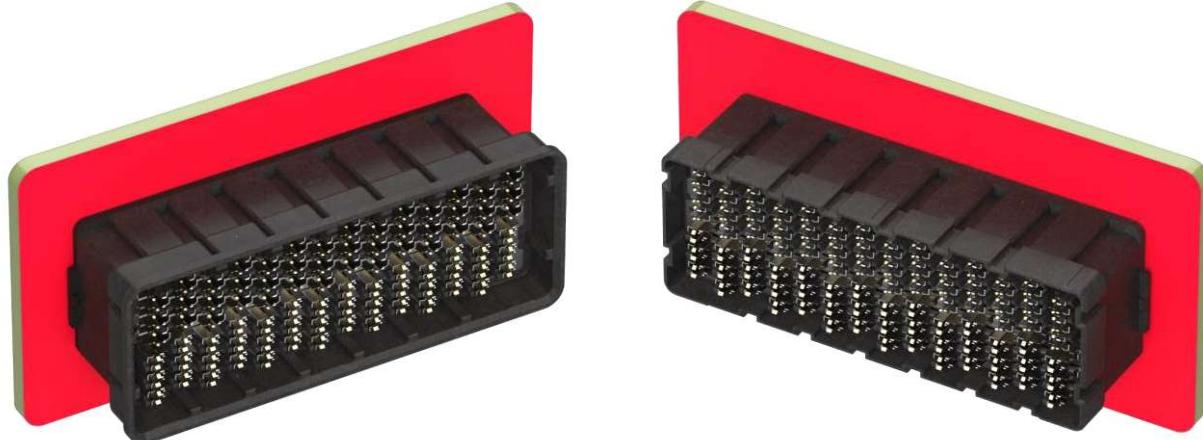
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Mirror Mezz

NeoPress Introduction

NeoPress is a press-fit, high-speed mezzanine connector solution offering hermaphroditic “triad” designs that provide independent isolation for each high-speed differential pair



NeoPress

Overview

Speed	28Gbps
Stack Height	15-40mm
Circuit Size	32-1200
Pitch	3.5mm x 2.4mm
Surface Mount	Press-fit
Other	85Ω and 100Ω impedances, SE and power options available Modular flexible design

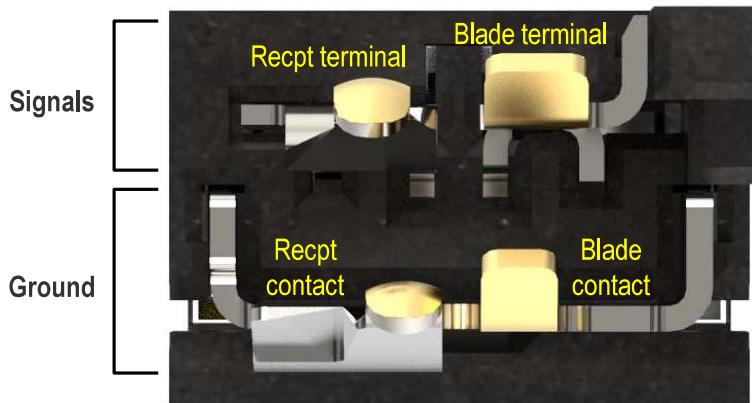


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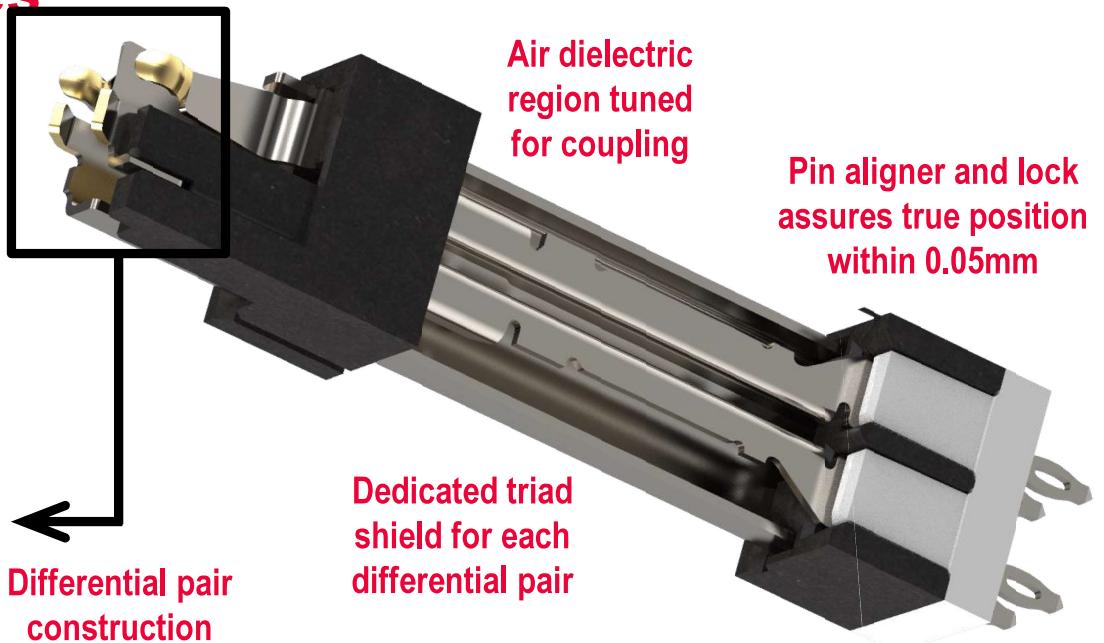
Features and Advantages

Press-Fit Triad Design

Proven IMPEL compliant pin design allows for easier termination and reworkability



Plug-nose plastic cover to protect mating interface



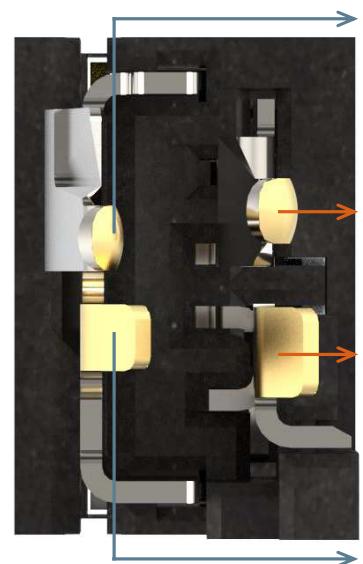
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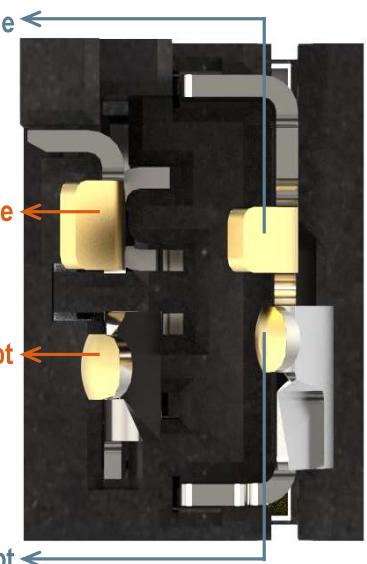
Hermaphroditic Contact Interface

- Plug connector and receptacle connector utilize the same terminal design, thus mating to itself

Receptacle triad



Plug triad



— Signals

— Ground

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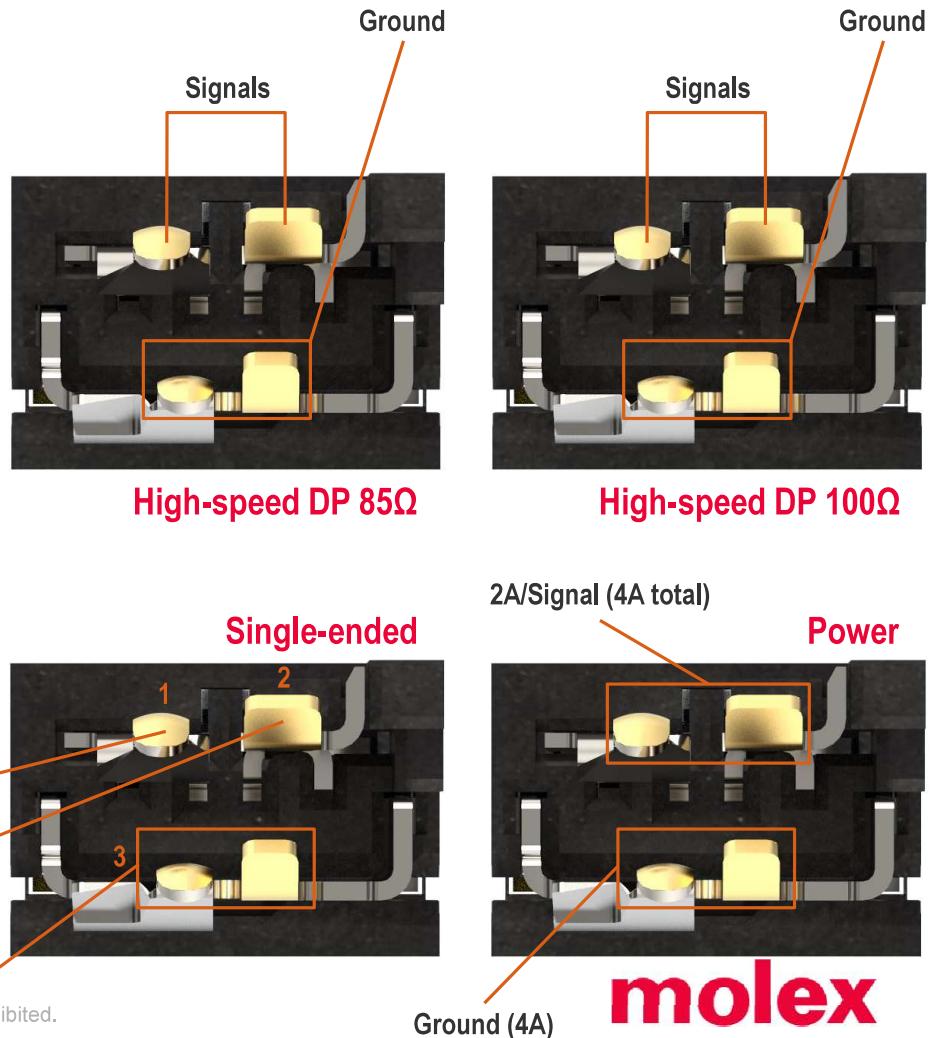
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Features and Advantages

Flexible Modular Design

Four different triad designs tooled:

- High-speed differential pair 85Ω
- High-speed differential pair 100Ω
- Single-ended (3 signals/triad)
- Power (8A per triad)



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Features and Advantages

Protected Mating Interface

Contacts are recessed inside housing and receptacle beams are recessed below ground beams for multiple levels of contact protection



6x14 circuit



Contact Structure

Staggered Footprint

Minimizes crosstalk and allows for zero skew routing

Mirror Line Contact Orientation

Connector utilizes “mirror line” design where contacts are oriented facing in opposite directions to allow for fewer routing layers



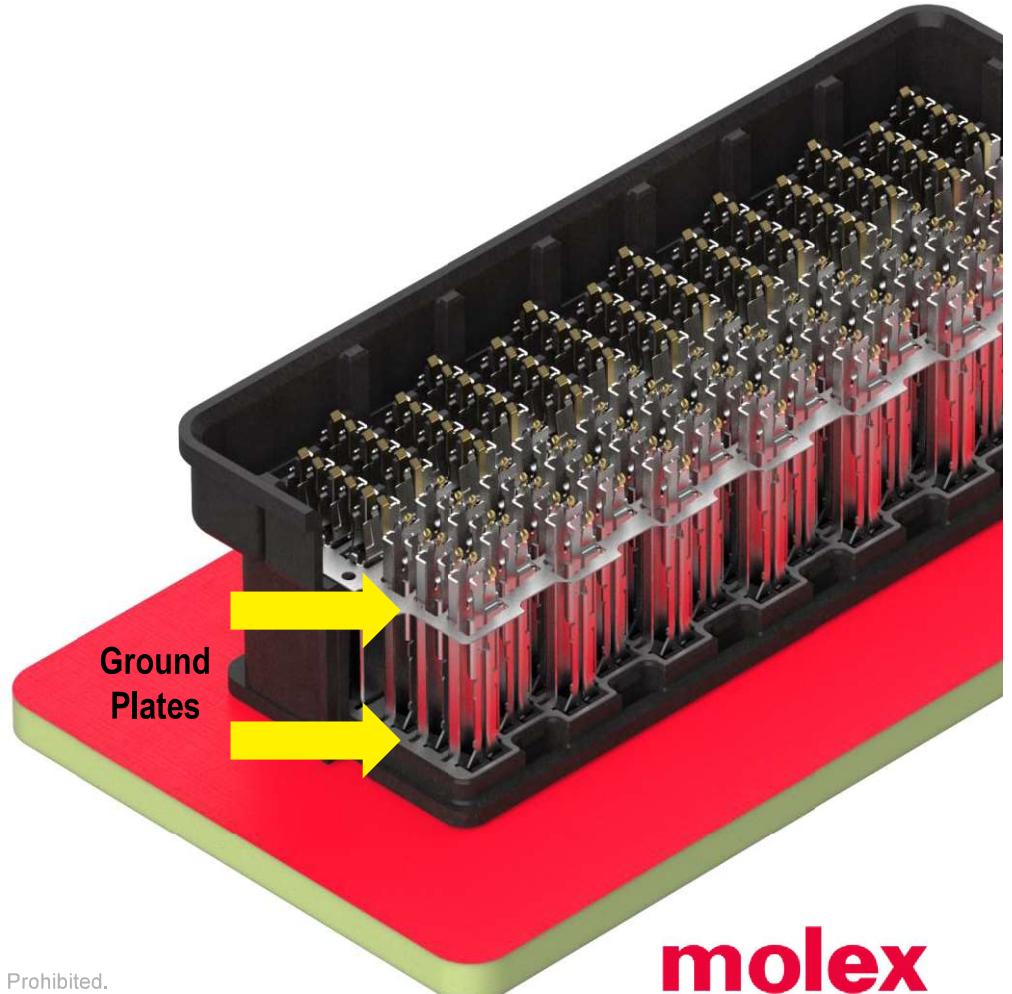
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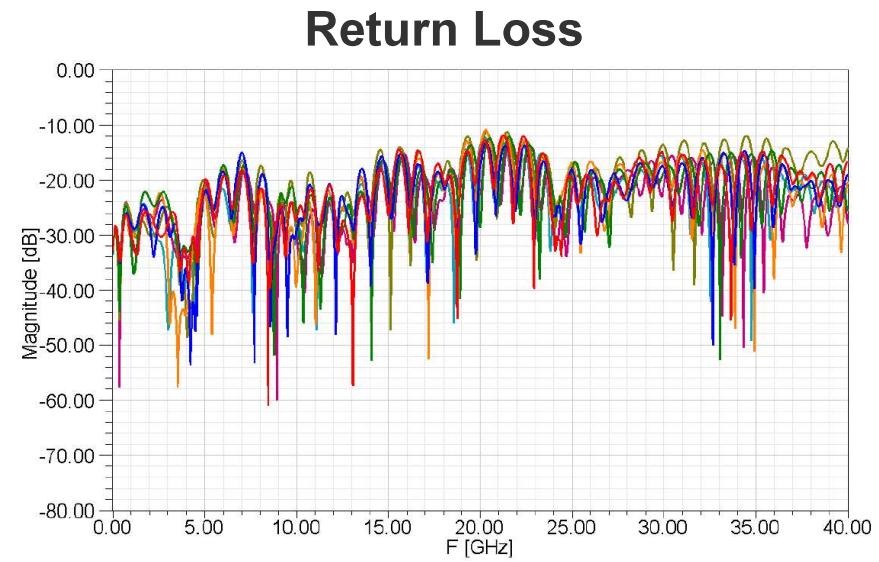
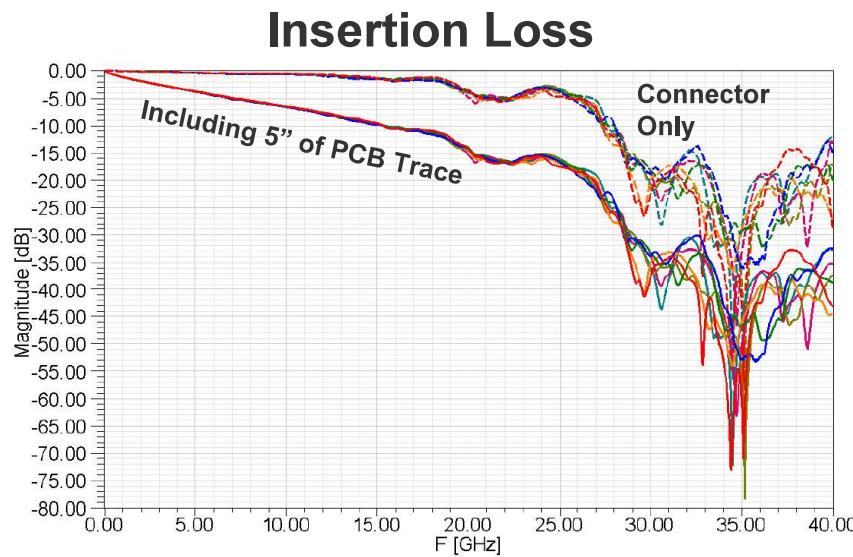
Integrated Ground Plates

- Separate but commoned ground plates located in the upper and lower portions of the connector housing
- Provide ground return path for improved common mode performance
- Improve SI skew and assist in terminal stitching
- Customizable



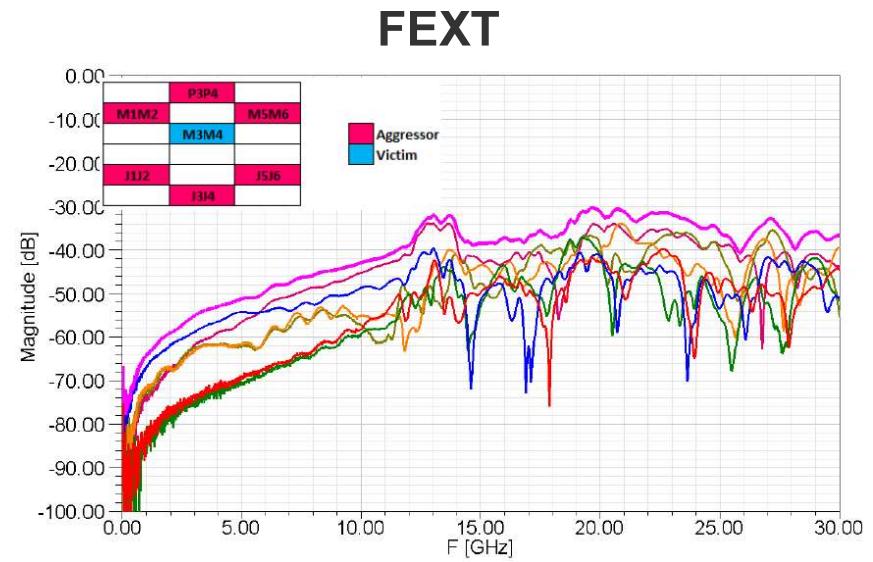
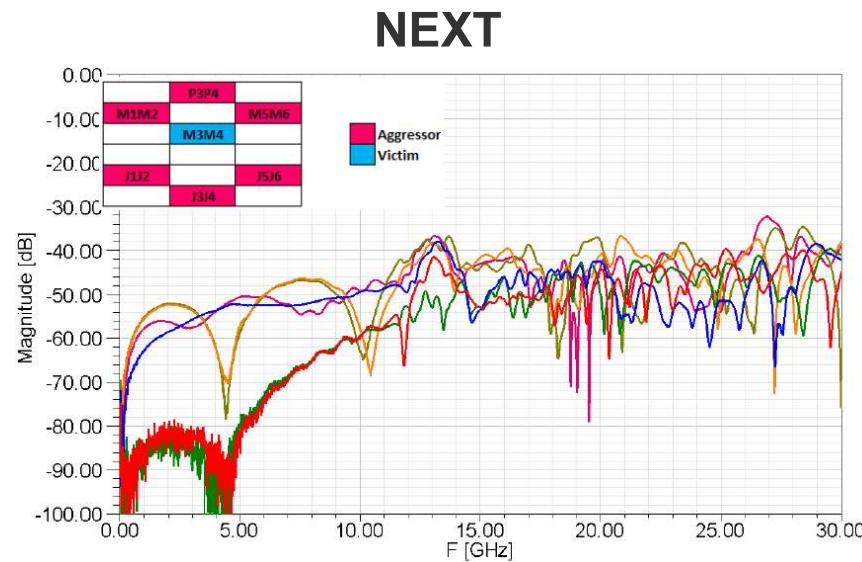
NeoPress Measured SI Data

27mm 6x14, 100Ω



NeoPress Measured SI Data

27mm 6x14, 100Ω



NeoPress Takeaways



Compliant pin termination provides easier installation and reworkability



Independently shielded triads offer isolation for high-speed data transmission



Customizable design allows triads to be stitched selectively to meet any requirement

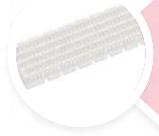
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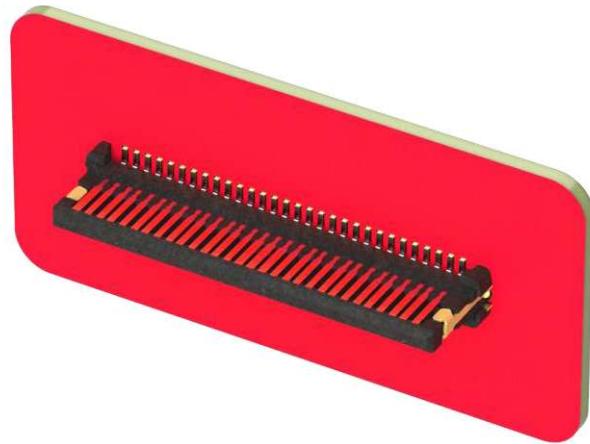
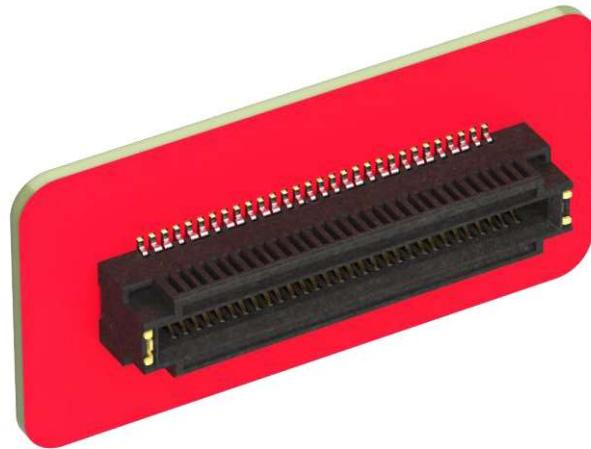
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SpeedMezz Introduction

The SpeedMezz product family offers a wide range of solutions which all share a common receptacle that mates to a high-speed mezzanine plug or an edge card offering a flexible, tiered solution from 20-56Gb/s

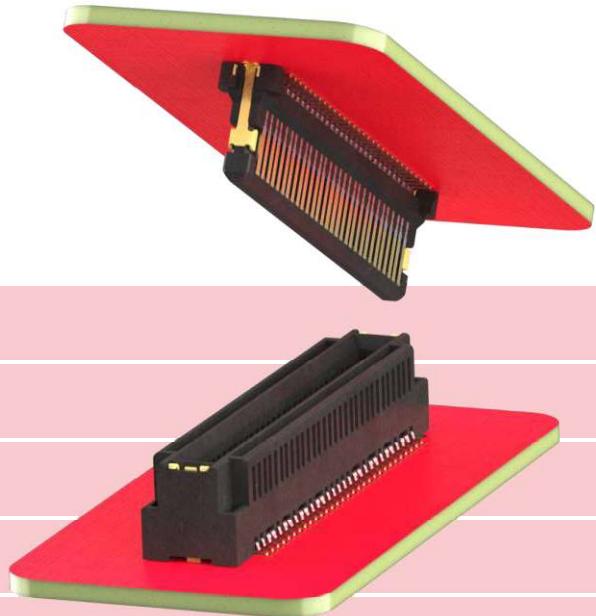


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SpeedMezz – SpeedStack

SpeedStack Overview

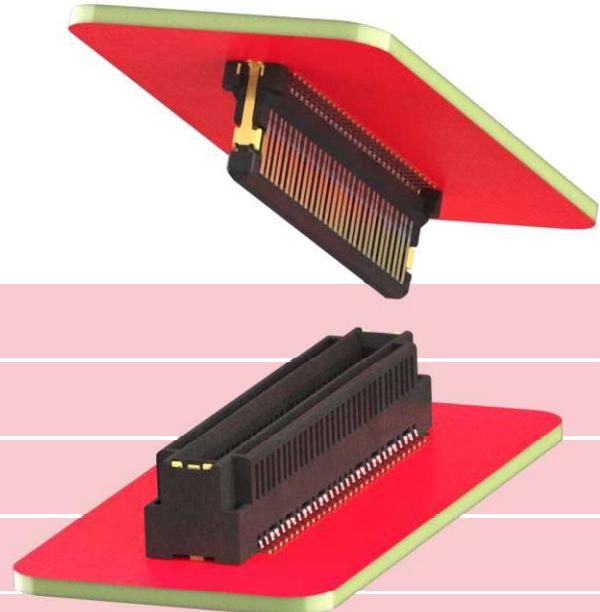
Speed	56Gbps PAM4
Stack Height	4-8mm
Circuit Size	22, 60 and 82
Pitch	0.8mm
Surface Mount	SMT (solder tails)
Other	Edge card compatible Shares footprint with SpeedEdge



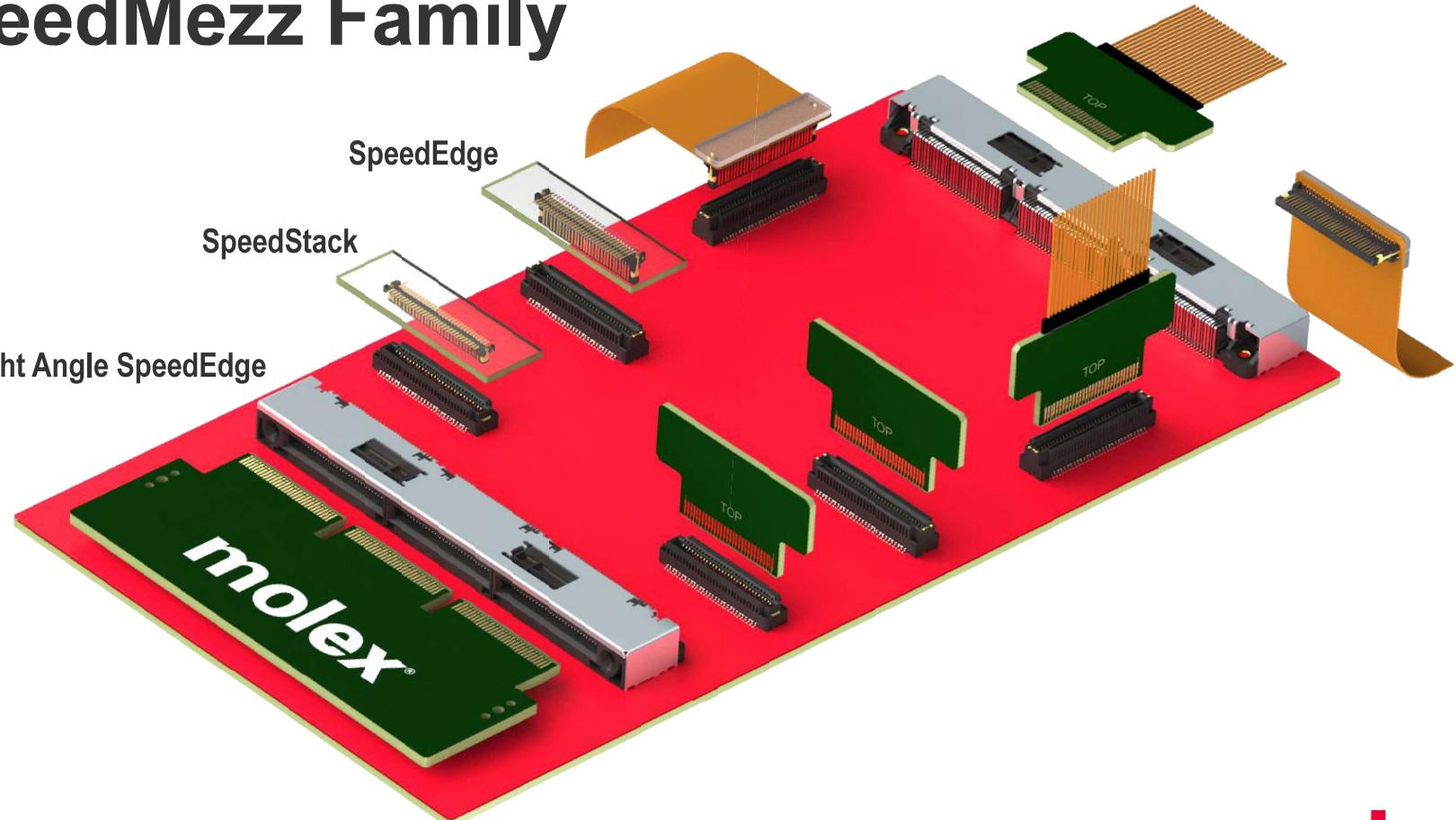
SpeedMezz – SpeedEdge

SpeedEdge Overview

Speed	40Gbps PAM4
Stack Height	7 and 8mm
Circuit Size	22, 60 and 82
Pitch	0.8mm
Surface Mount	SMT (solder tails)
Other	Edge card compatible Shares footprint with SpeedStack



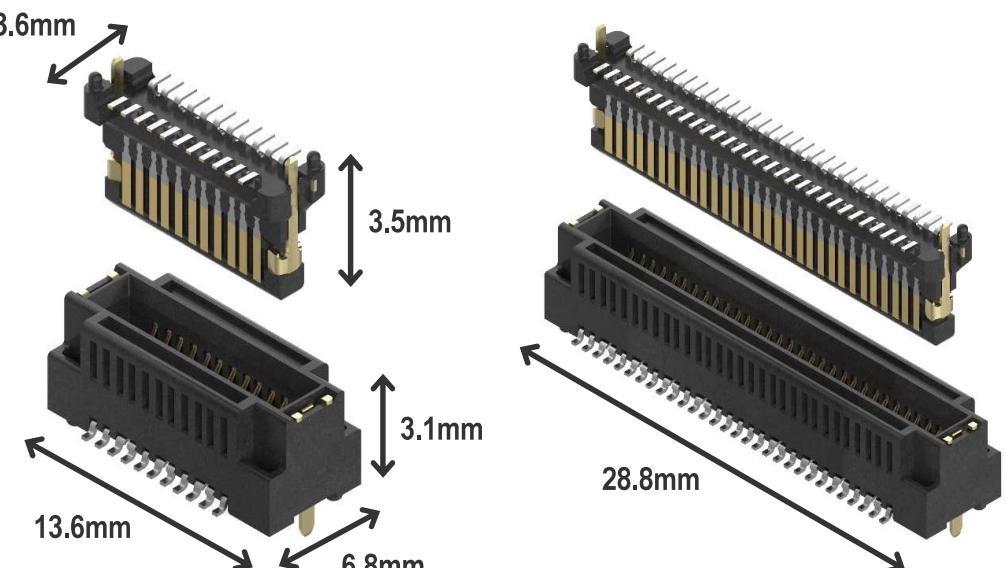
SpeedMezz Family



SpeedMezz – SpeedStack

Features and Advantages

- High-speed performance
- Small form factor
- 2mm wipe



8 differential pairs,
2 single ended lines

16 differential pairs,
8 single ended lines

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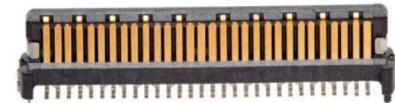
SpeedMezz Introduction

Features and Advantages

- Receptacles can be mated to a low-profile mezzanine or edge card
- Plugs are offered in two options (available in SpeedStack and SpeedEdge):
 - High-speed options with GSSG routing
 - Open pin field offering single-ended (SE) and power options (1A/circuit)
- Waferized design allows for a SpeedMezz plug to be assembled with high-speed and SE options



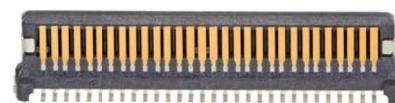
SpeedStack
Receptacle



SpeedStack
Plug



SpeedEdge
Receptacle



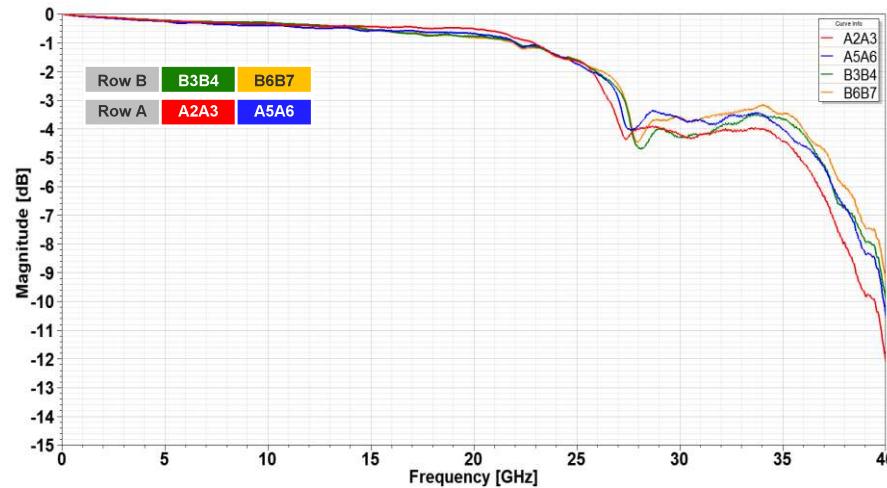
SpeedEdge
Plug

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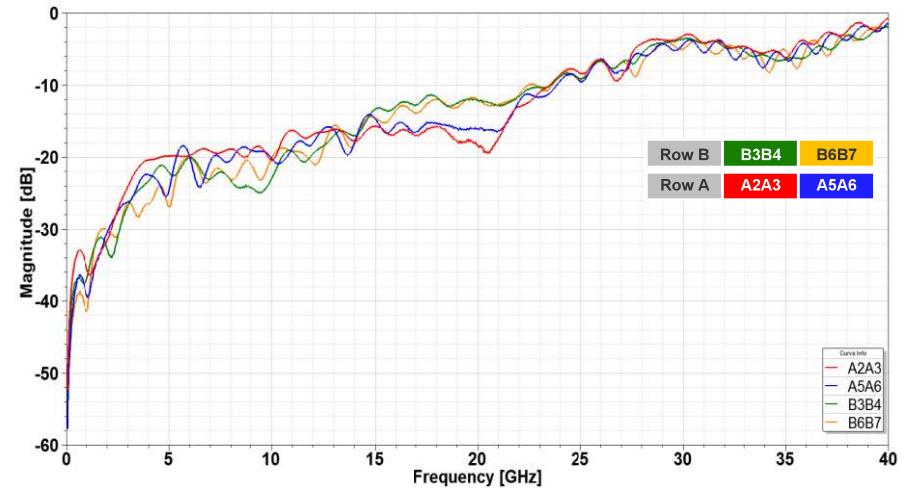
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5mm, 1mm wipe

Insertion Loss



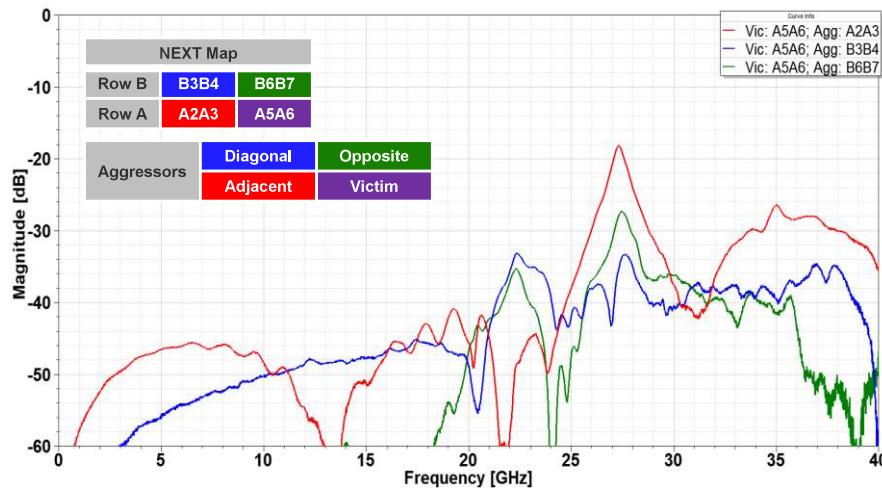
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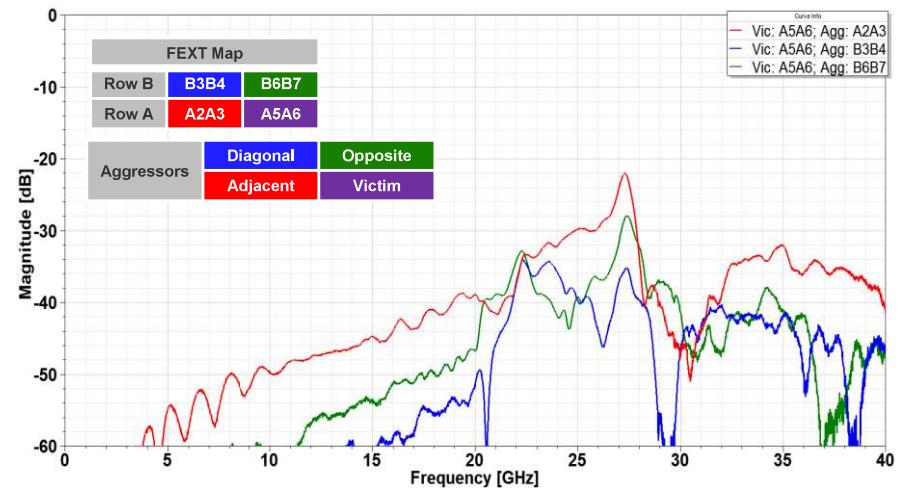
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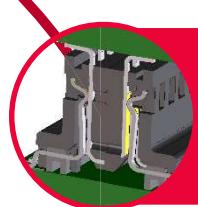
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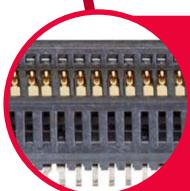
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SpeedMezz Takeaways



Low-profile, high-speed mezzanine solution meeting 20-56Gb/s data rates



Common receptacle design mates to high-speed mezzanine plug or edge card



Small, robust form factor maximizes PCB real estate

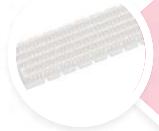
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1.00mm Mezzanine



HD Mezz



Searay



Impact Mezz



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SpeedMezz



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Mirror Mezz

NeoScale Introduction

NeoScale is a flexible, high-speed mezzanine product line offering dedicated, unique “triad” designs to accommodate power, single-ended and high-speed 56Gbps PAM4 data rates in a single connector solution



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NeoScale

Overview

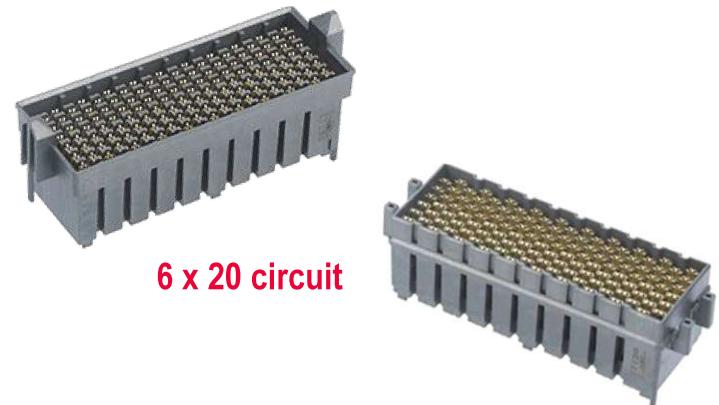
Speed	56Gbps PAM4
Stack Height	12-42mm
Circuit Size	96-528
Pitch	2.8mm x 2.8mm
Surface Mount	SMT (solder charge)
Other	85Ω and 100Ω impedances, SE and power options available Modular flexible design



NeoScale

Features and Advantages

- Triad contact design with traditional male and female geometry
- Available in 32-180 DP count versions
- Density: 82 DPs/in²
- Four different triad designs tooled:
 - High-speed diff pair 85Ω
 - High-speed diff pair 100Ω
 - Single-ended, low-speed
 - Power (8A total: 4A/blade and 4A/shield)



6 x 20 circuit



High-Speed Diff Pair
85Ω



High-Speed Diff Pair
100Ω



Single-ended



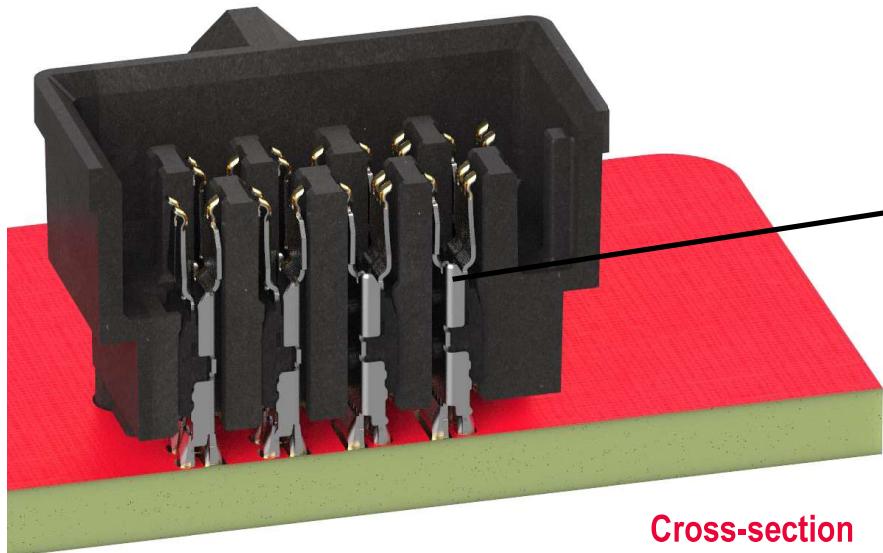
Power

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Features and Advantages

Solder Charge SMT Triad Design



Cross-section

Two signal pins
(2mm wipe)

Ground/shield
contact

Solder-Charge SMT
tails (ground has two
attach points)

Insert-molded triad
construction provides
for optimized SI and
mechanical stability

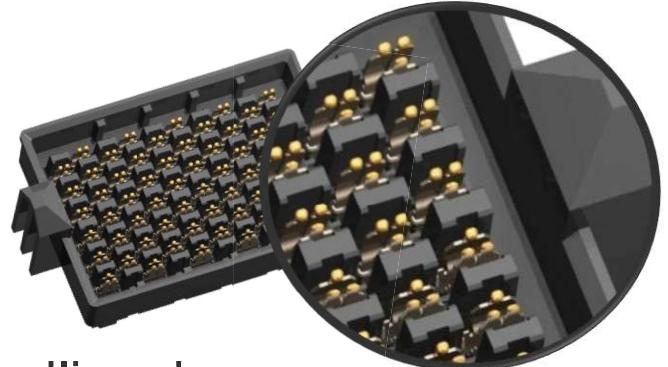
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NeoScale Features

Features and Advantages

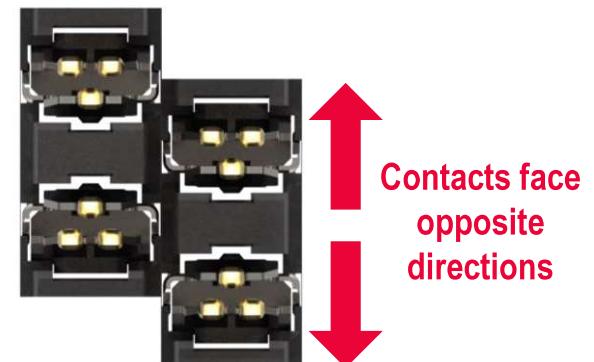
Honeycomb Housing Design

- “Tombstone” design protects contacts from handling damage
- Minimizes crosstalk through contact isolation
- Integrated keying and polarization features
- 2mm blind mate gatherability



“Mirrored” Footprint Structure

- Contact grid is arranged in mirror fashion
- Mirror line runs down center of connector layout
- Allows for routing in 1 or 2 layers

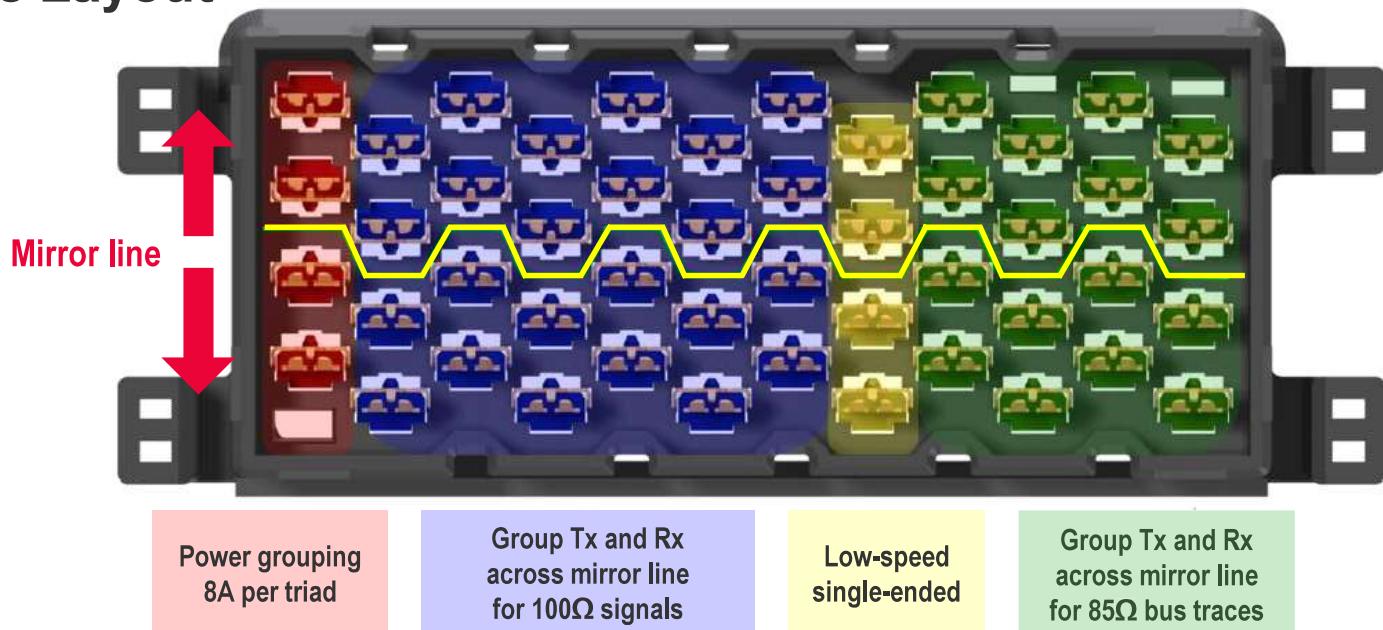


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Features and Advantages

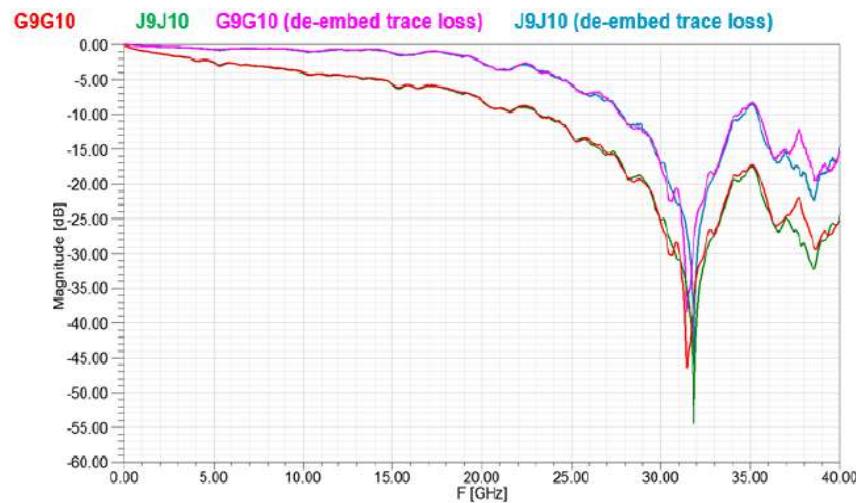
Customizable Layout



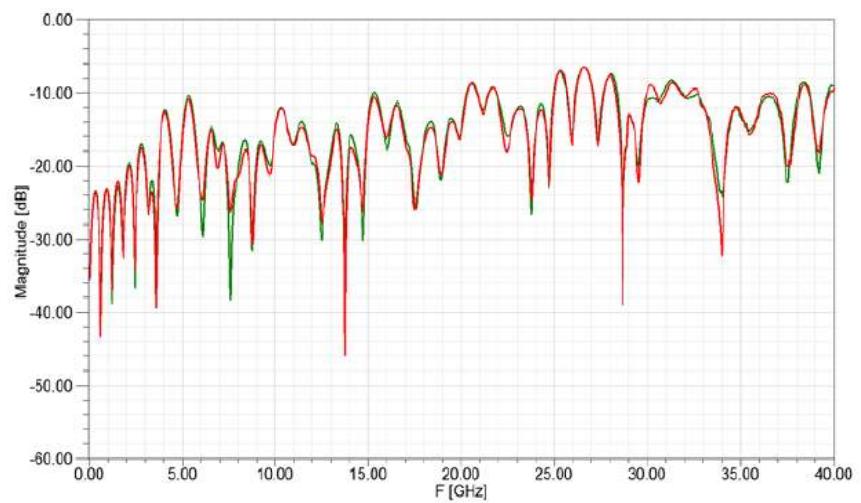
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15mm 4x18, 100Ω

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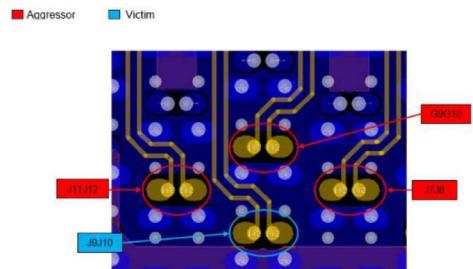


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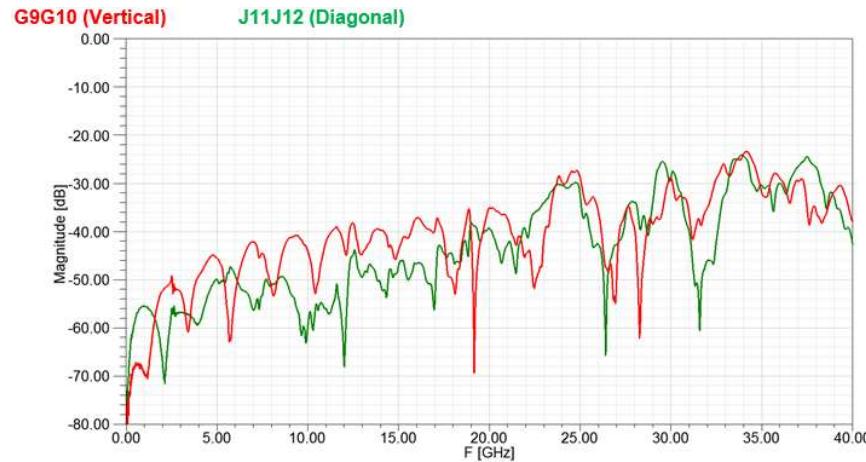


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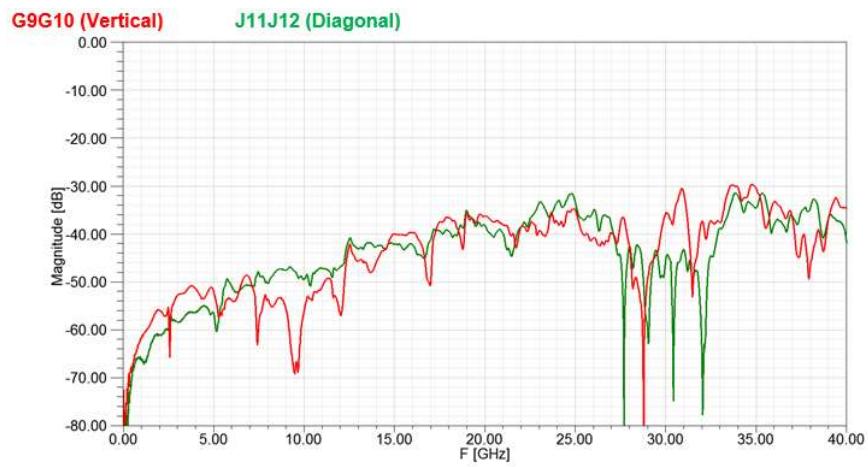
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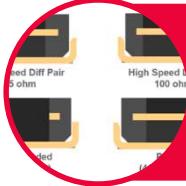
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NeoScale Takeaways



56Gbps PAM4 performance with 2mm wipe and blind mating capability



Multiple triad options in one SMT connector: 85Ω , 100Ω and power



Customizable design allows triads to be stitched selectively to meet any requirement

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1.00mm Mezzanine



HD Mezz



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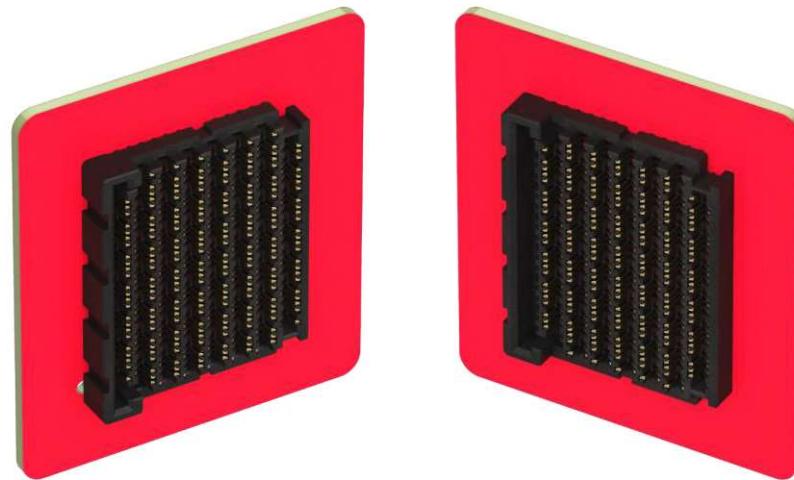
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Mirror Mezz

Mirror Mezz Introduction

Mirror Mezz is a hermaphroditic connector which lowers application costs with stackable mating to support 112Gbps per differential pair for telecommunications, networking and other applications



Mirror Mezz

Overview

Speed	56Gbps NRZ, 112Gbps PAM4
Stack Height	5-11mm
Circuit Size	124-699
Pitch	1.50mm x 4.00mm
Surface Mount	BGA
Other	Hermaphroditic design

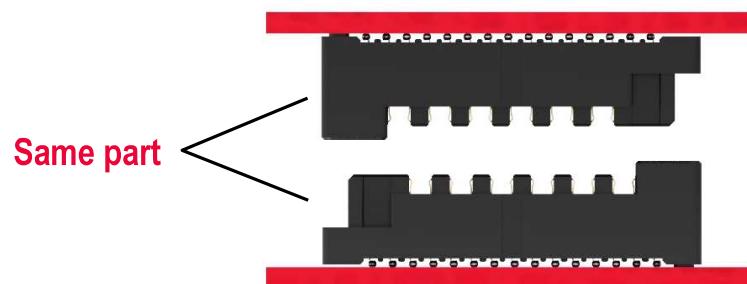
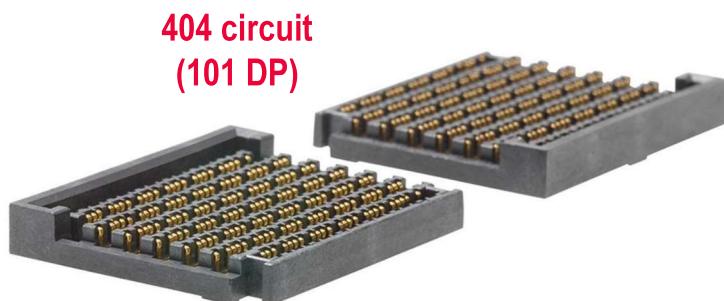


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Features and Advantages

Hermaphroditic/Genderless Design

- Only one part number needed for a mated set, because a part mates to itself
- Multiple stack heights easily enabled with minimal tooling



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Mirror Mezz Features

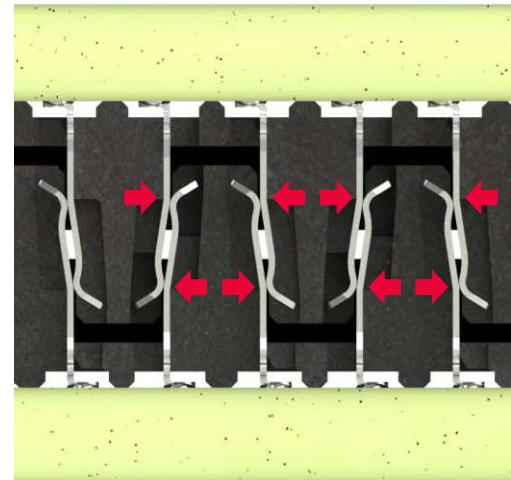
Features and Advantages

“Stubless” Contact Interface

Two points of contact on every beam for improved reliability and superior SI

Opposing Beam Support

Mated beams are fully supported by housing structure at mated condition



Cross-section

Mirror Mezz Features

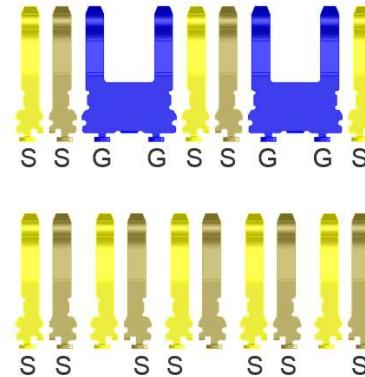
Features and Advantages

Open Pin Field (SE) Option

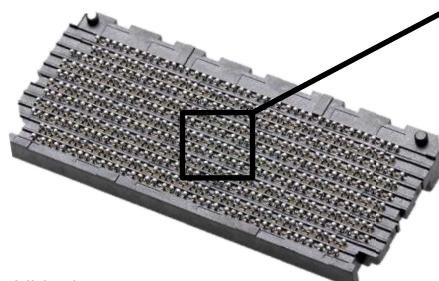
Open pin field can support differential signaling up to 20GHz with offset GSSG pinout

Stitched BGA Contacts

Offers more cost savings to customers compared to insert-molded wafers; BGA processing is familiar to ODMs and CMs



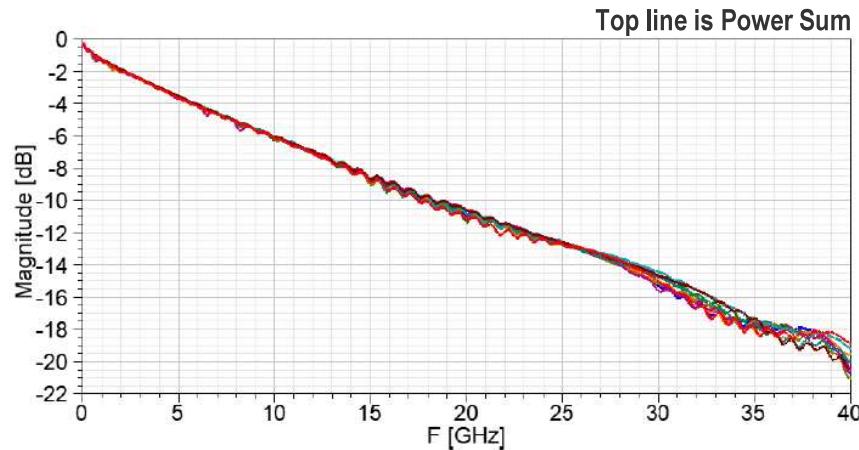
Closeup of BGA



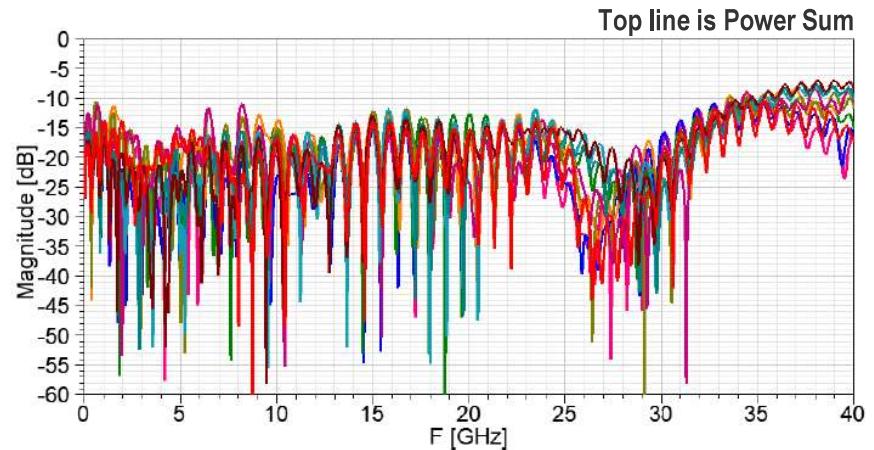
Mirror Mezz Measured SI Data

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Insertion Loss



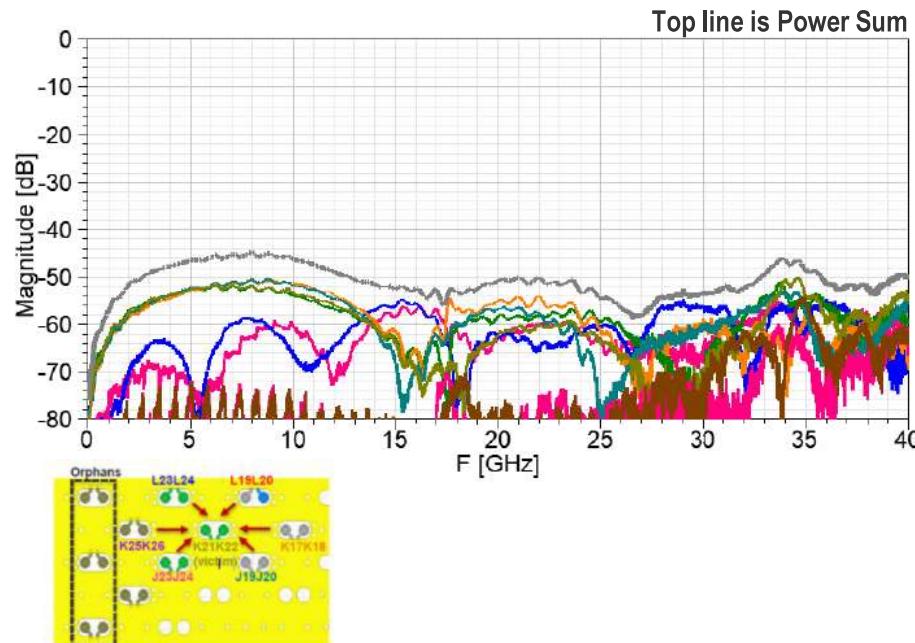
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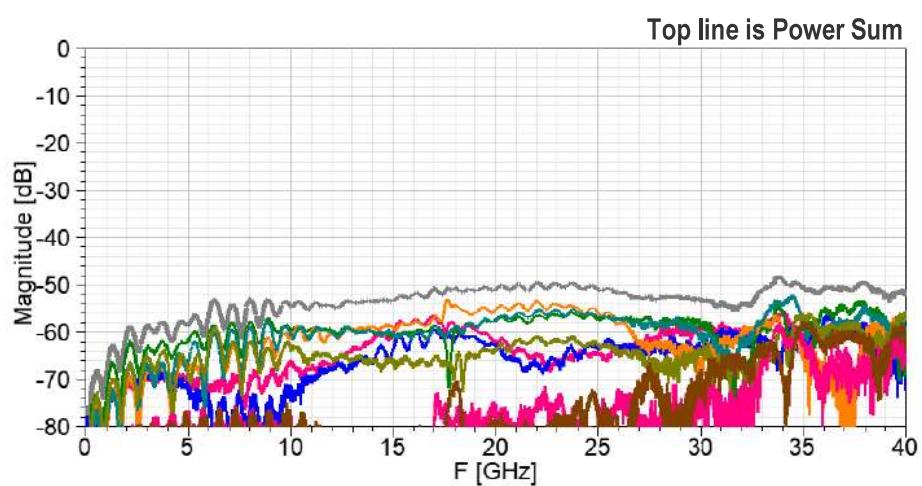
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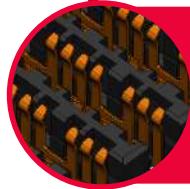
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Mirror Mezz Takeaways



Stubless contact design tunes performance to 112Gbps



Hermaphroditic design creates cost savings and simplifies system design/qualification



Diff pair and open pin field layouts support pin-out flexibility for designers

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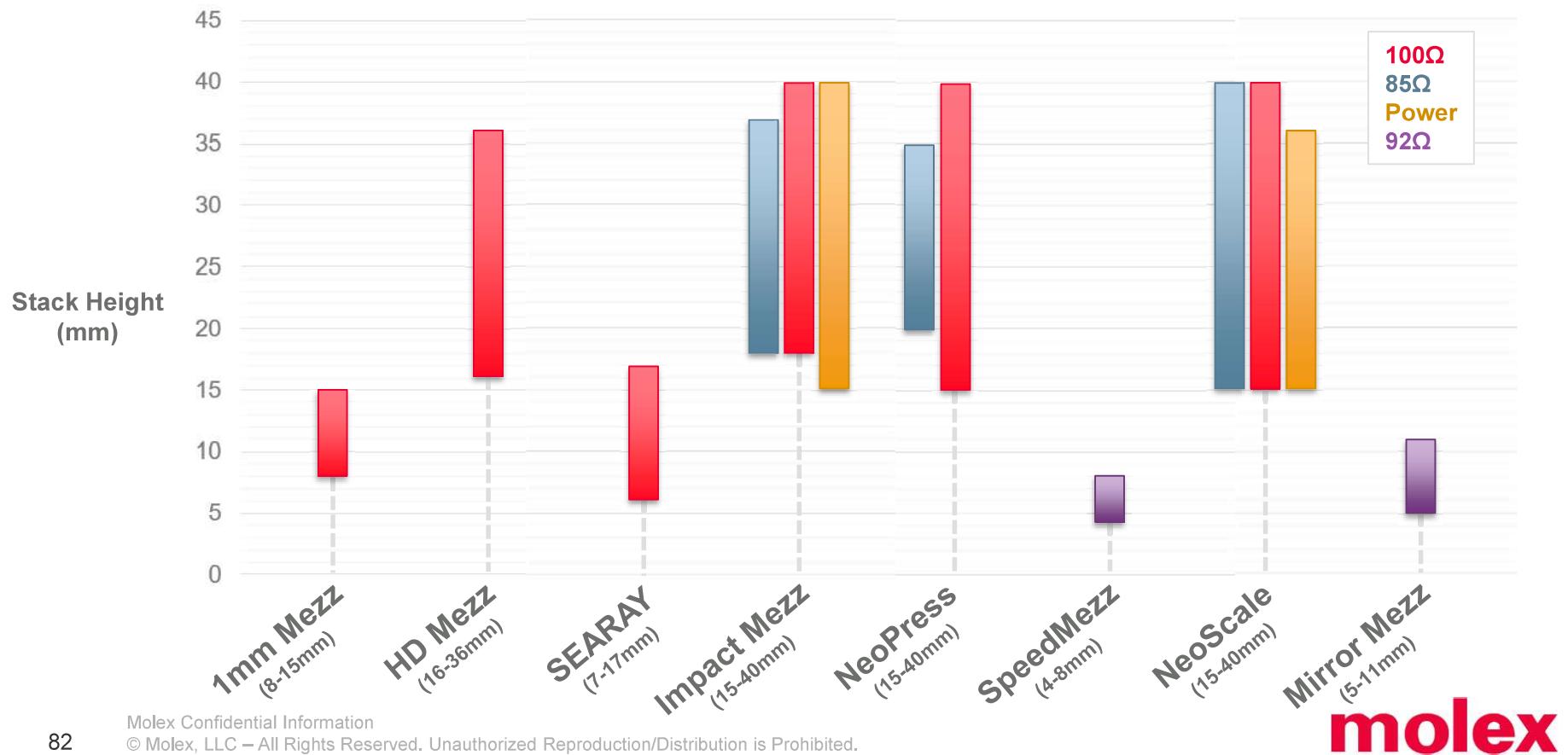
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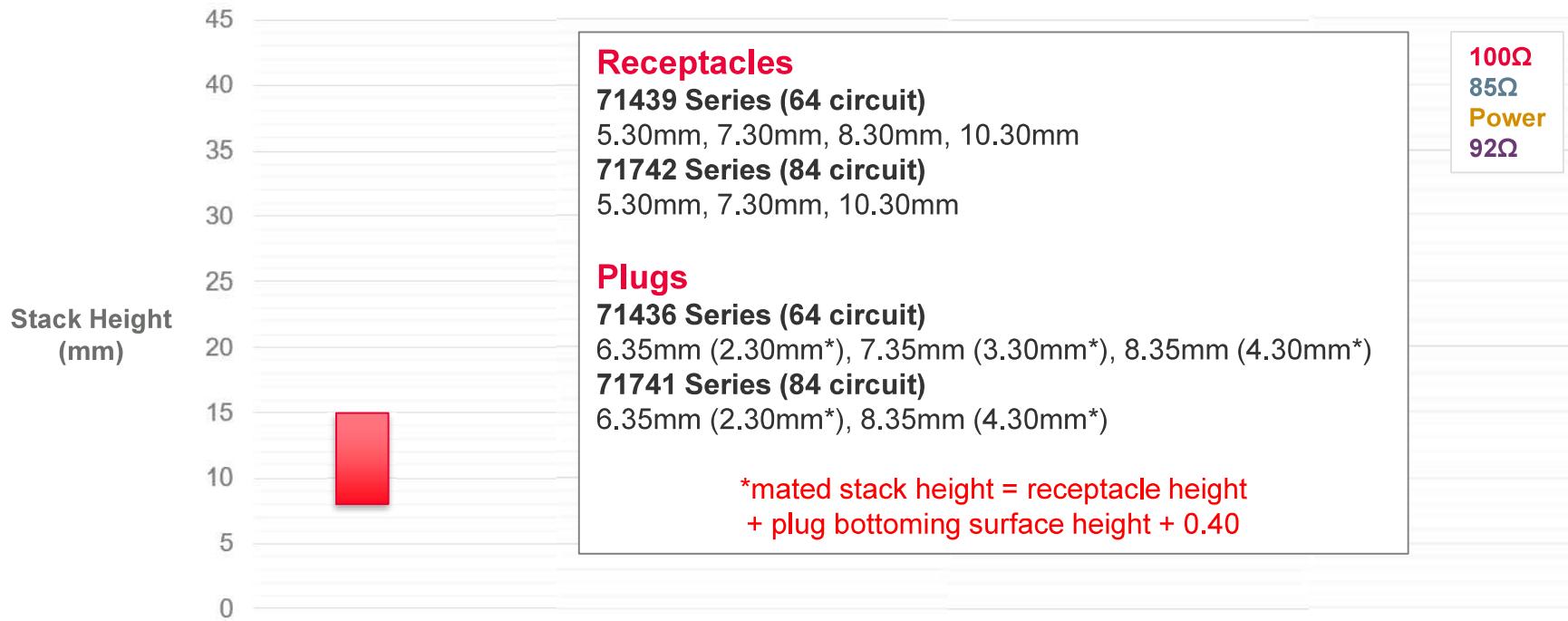
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Molex Mezzanine Stack Heights

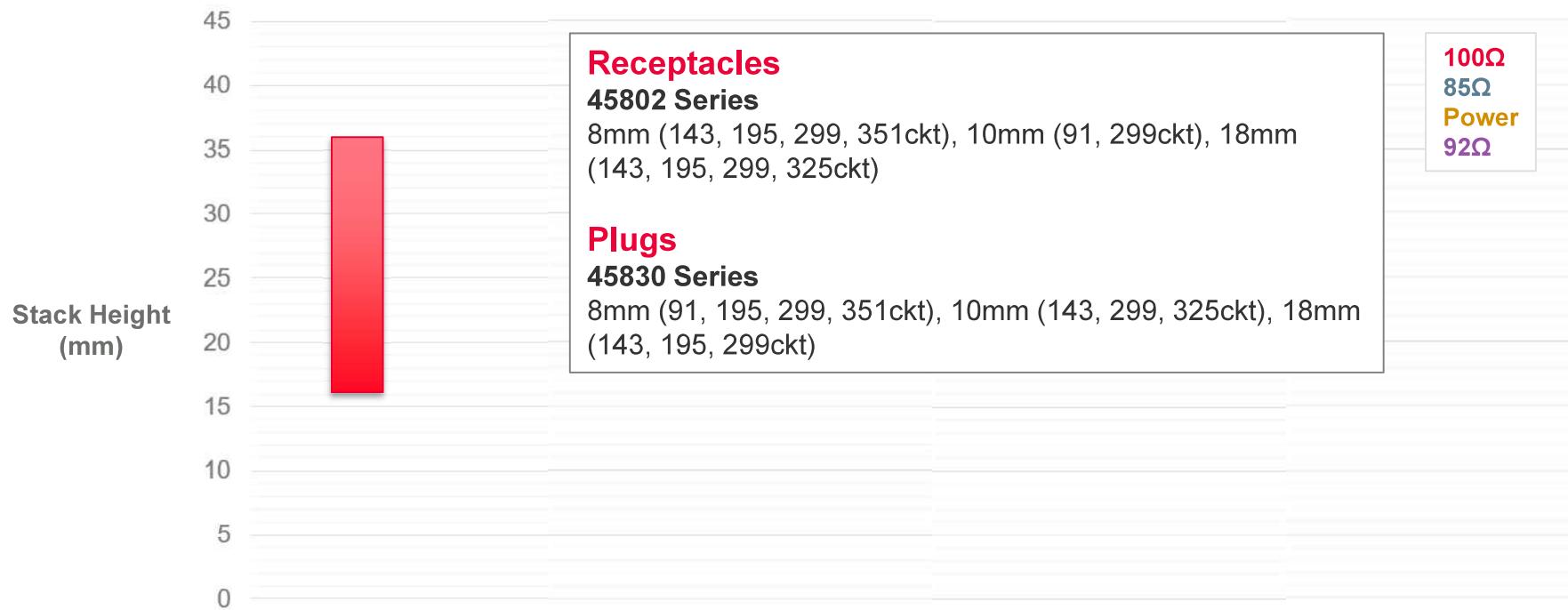


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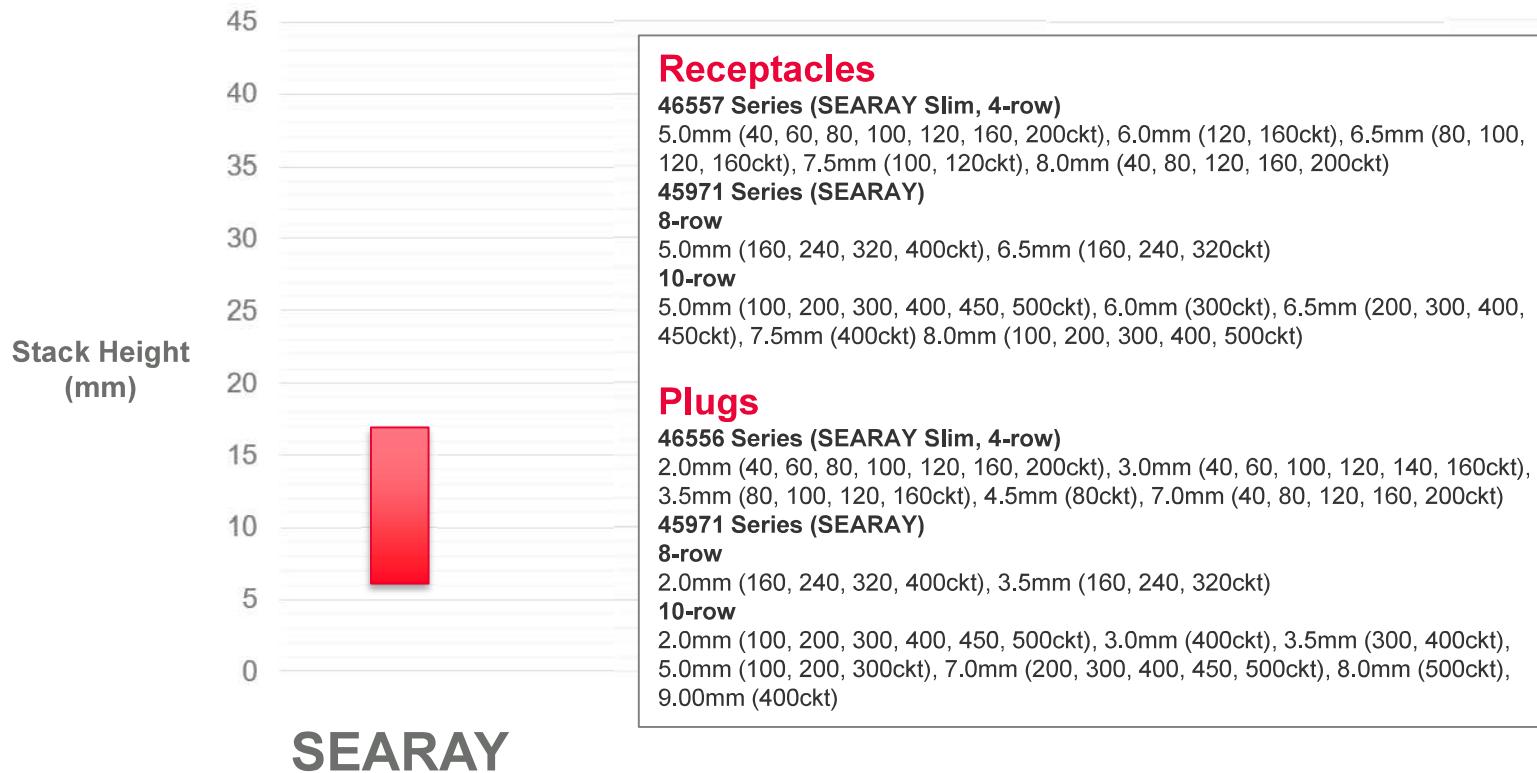


1mm Mezz

HD Mezz Toolled Options



SEARAY Tooled Options

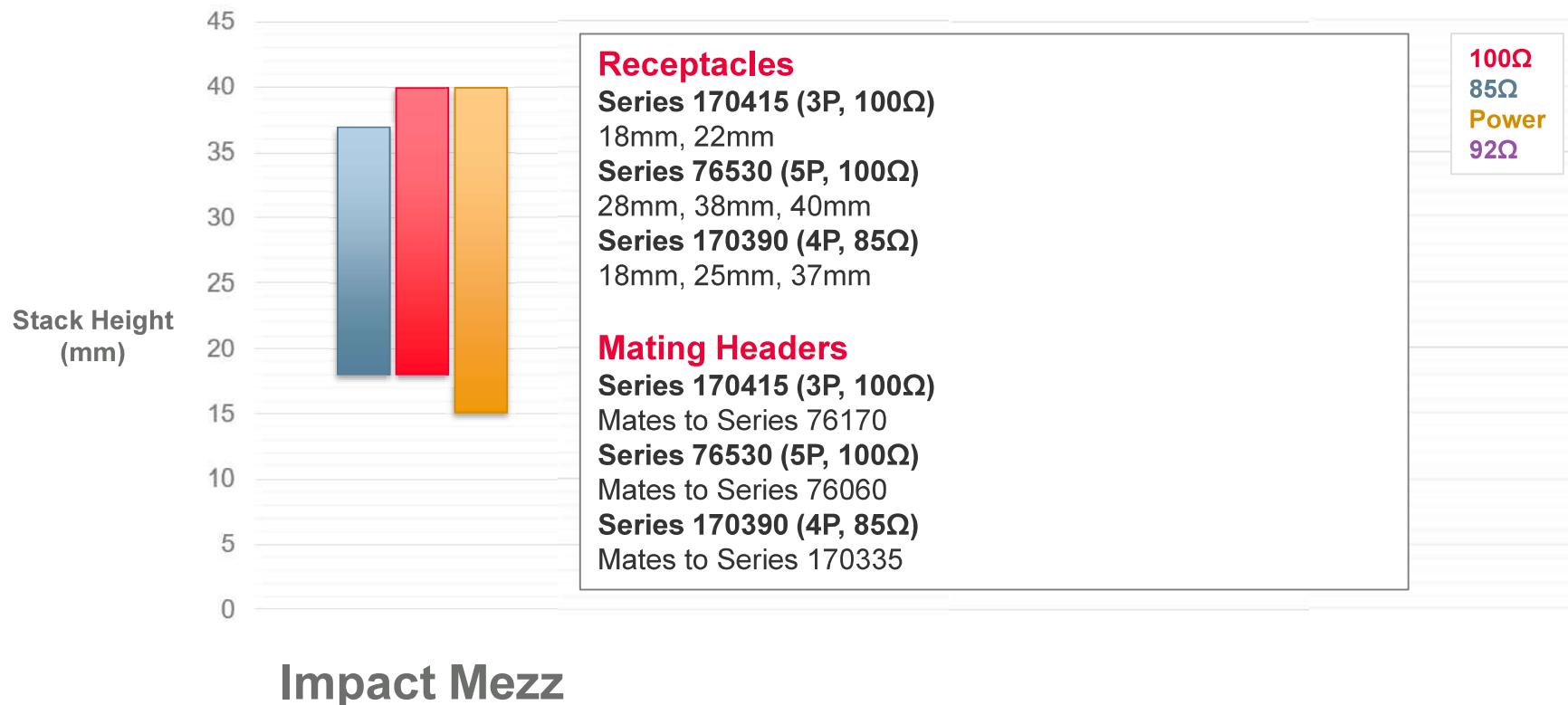


100Ω
85Ω
Power
92Ω

SEARAY

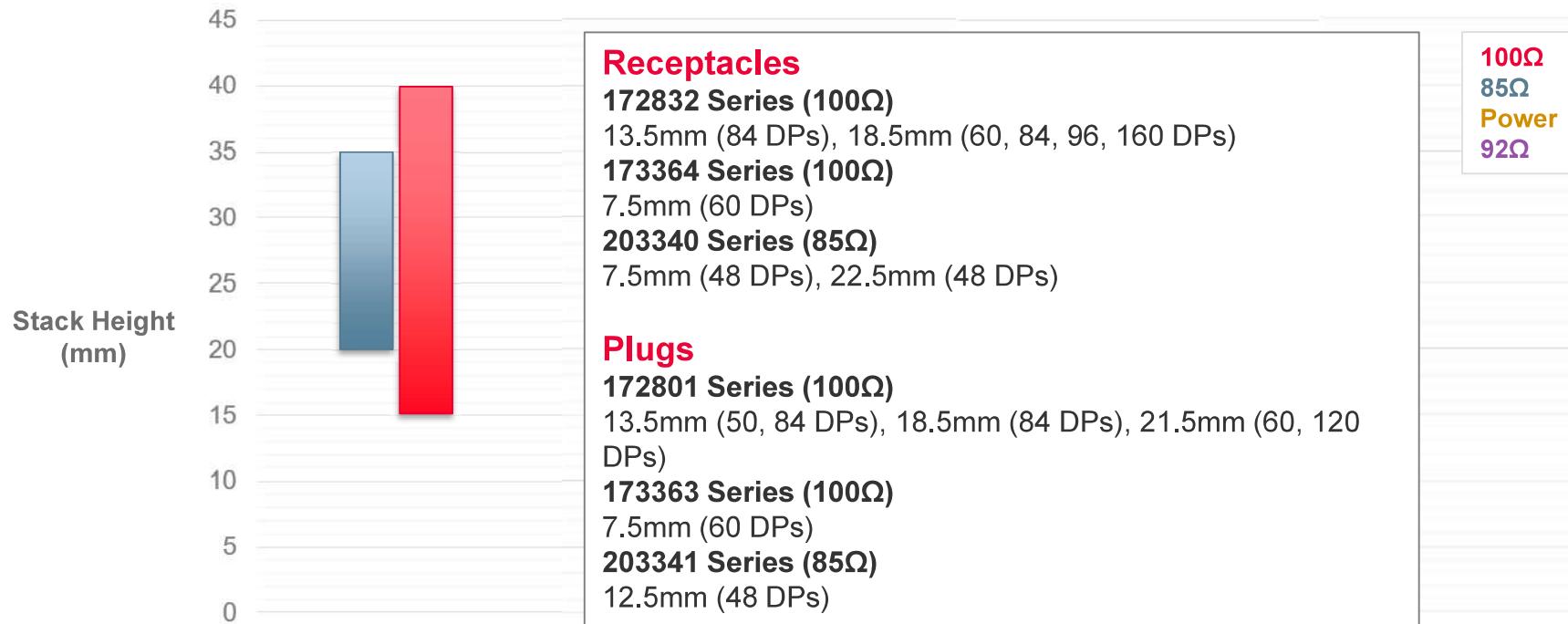
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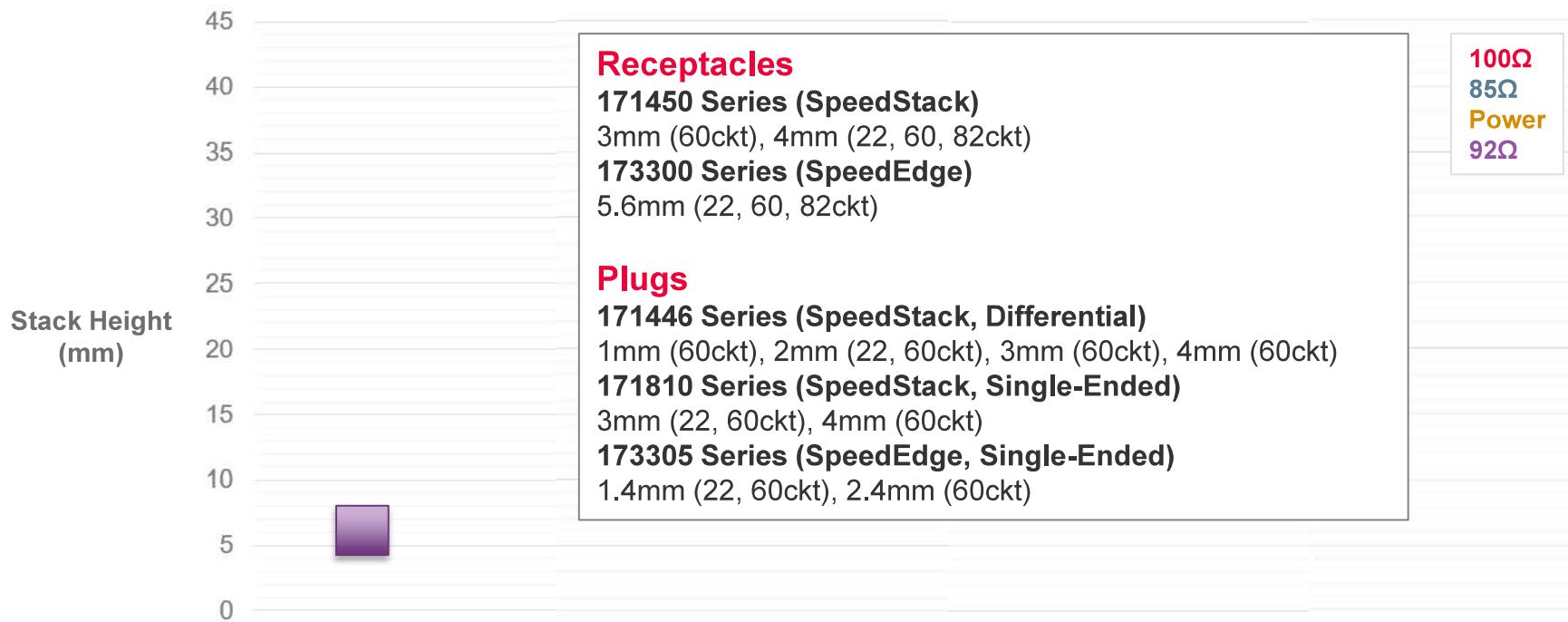
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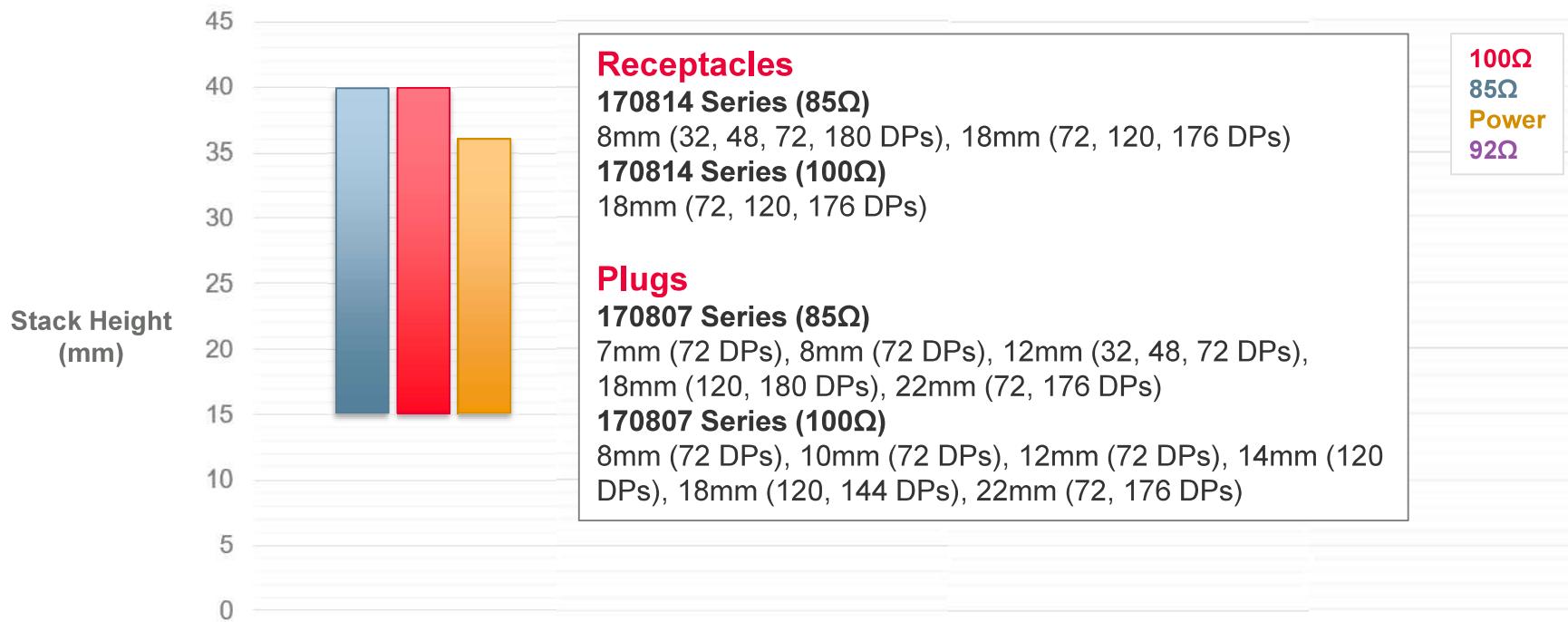
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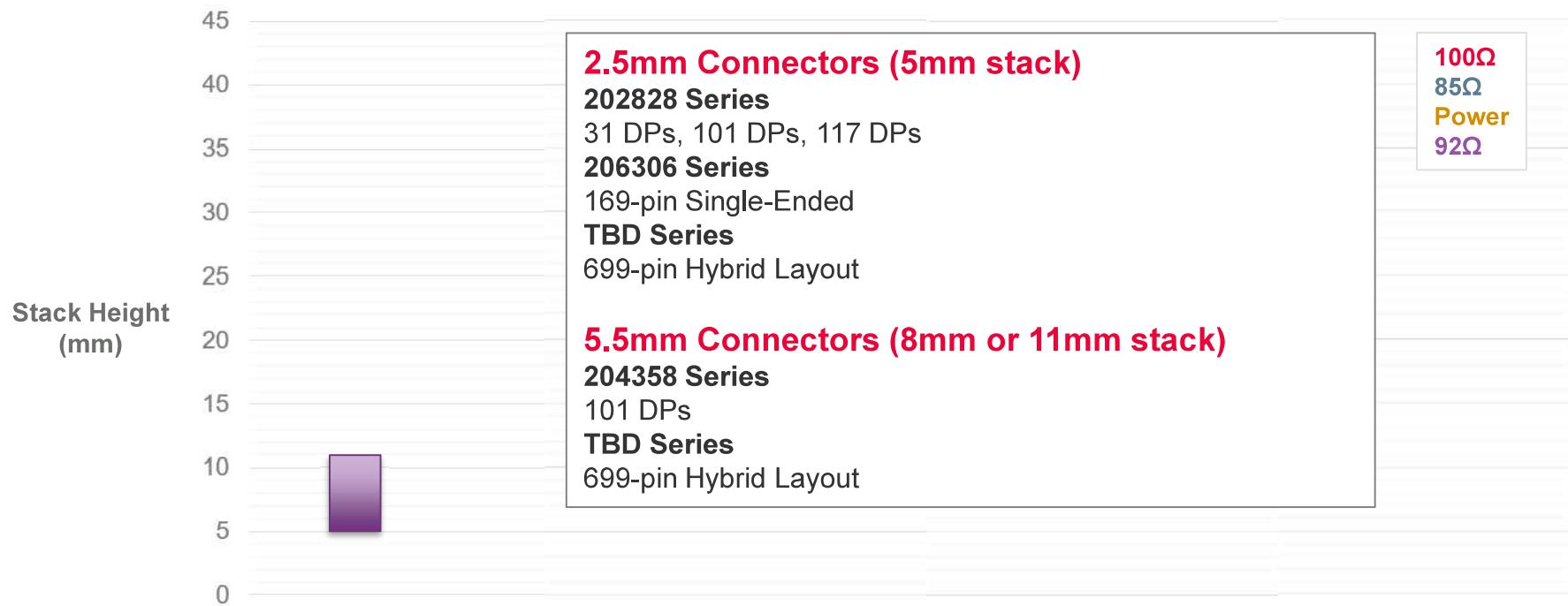
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Mirror Mezz Tooled Options



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