

# ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

**CONNECTIVITY SOLUTIONS FOR AI & MACHINE LEARNING APPLICATIONS** 

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# **ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE** & MACHINE LEARNING CONNECTIVITY

Rapidly-growing technologies like Artificial Intelligence are driving new system architectures that demand increased speeds, bandwidths, frequencies and densities, along with scalability and configurability. To meet these challenges, Samtec offers innovative connectivity solutions – from testing and development to interconnects that meet or exceed industry standards – ideal for next generation AI/ML applications.





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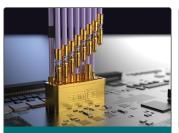


# Interconnect Solutions for Emerging Architectures

High-Performance • Thermal Efficiencies • Small Form Factors • Extreme Density • Signal Integrity



HIGH-SPEED MEZZANINE & HIGH-DENSITY ARRAYS



HIGH-PERFORMANCE TEST & PRECISION RF



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- Ultra-Low Latency High Data Rates Low Ping
- 2 TECHNICAL RESOURCES Evaluation Kits & Boards • Signal Integrity Support • Online Design Tools

## INTEGRATION LEADS TO INNOVATION

Innovative Products • Technical Expertise • Service & Support



# **AI CHIPSETS**

## COMPUTING PLATFORMS • REFERENCE DESIGNS • CHARACTERIZATION KITS & BOARDS

Samtec offers a full line of high-density, high-performance interconnects to support the increasing performance demands of AI chipsets (e.g. SoC, CPU, GPU, TPU, Digital and Analog Compute). Samtec interconnects help link multiple AI reference designs to prototype AI system development.

#### HIGH-DENSITY ARRAYS For additional solutions, please visit samtec.com/Arrays.

### SEARAY<sup>™</sup> High-Density Open-Pin-Field Arrays

- SEARAY<sup>™</sup> 1.27 mm pitch open-pin-field arrays (SEAM/SEAF Series)
- Maximum routing and grounding flexibility
- Performance to 28 Gbps NRZ/56 Gbps PAM4 (up to 32 Gbps NRZ at certain stack heights; contact sig@samtec.com)
- VITA 57 (FMC, FMC+), VITA 74 (VNX), PISMO<sup>™</sup> 2 certified
- Rugged Edge Rate<sup>®</sup> contact system can be "zippered" during mating/unmating
- Up to 560 I/Os; 7 40 mm stack heights
- Vertical, right-angle and press-fit designs
- Meets Extended Life Product<sup>™</sup> (E.L.P.<sup>™</sup>) standards



I/Os, and high-density stacking capabilities are ideal for SoM/CoM applications.

#### PRECISION RF For additional solutions, please visit samtec.com/RF.

#### Precision RF Board Connectors

- Microwave/mmWave interconnects
- Compression board level interconnects for stripline or microstrip transmission
- Launch designs, custom product solutions, simulations, and physical test and measurement verifications
- High-frequency bands from 40 GHz to 90 GHz
  - 1.35 mm, performance up to 90 GHz
  - 1.85 mm, 2.40 mm, 2.92 mm, SMA, SMPM, SMP





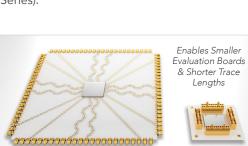


## **HIGH-PERFORMANCE TEST** | For additional solutions, please visit **samtec.com/BullsEye**.

#### Bulls Eye<sup>®</sup> High-Performance Test to 70 GHz

The high-density array designs and advanced cabling solutions within Samtec's Bulls Eye® product family support test and measurement applications to 70 GHz (BE70A Series).

- Compression interface to the board provides easy on/off and eliminates soldering costs
- High-density, space-saving design
- Provides 4x the high-bandwidth signals of traditional SMAs in the same amount of space
- Enables smaller evaluation boards, shorter trace lengths & fewer layers
- RF Group: personal support for meeting specific challenges; contact **RFGroup@samtec.com**



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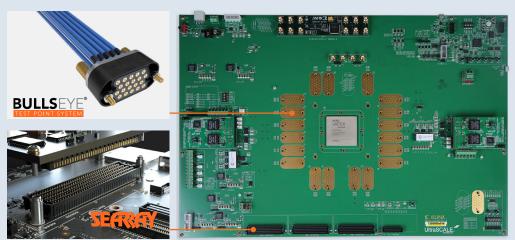
Traditional with SMAs vs. Bulls Eye®

## APPLICATION: Xilinx<sup>®</sup> Virtex<sup>®</sup> UltraScale<sup>™</sup> FPGA VCU1287 Characterization Kit

The Xilinx® VCU1287 Kit leverages Samtec SEARAY<sup>™</sup> VITA 57.1 FPGA Mezzanine Card (FMC) High Pin Count (HPC) Connectors and Bulls Eye® High-Performance Test Point System for flexibility, density and high-speed connectivity.

For additional information, visit:

- samtec.com/bullseye
- samtec.com/searay
- samtec.com/standards





# A EMBEDDED PLATFORMS

SYSTEM ON MODULES (SoM) • COMPUTER ON MODULES (CoM) • CARRIER CARDS

Al systems can consist of multiple SoMs / CoMs, and many of these new systems require increased speed and density in very small footprints. Samtec offers a variety of high-density, high-performance, small form factor interconnect solutions ideal for routing system I/O and peripherals within these new architectures.

#### **HIGH-PERFORMANCE ARRAYS** For additional solutions, please visit **samtec.com/Arrays**.

**ACCELE**RATE<sup>®</sup>**HC** 

ACCELERATE"HP

#### AcceleRate® HD Ultra-Dense, Slim Body Arrays

- Up to 400 I/Os in a 4-row design
- Open-pin-field design for grounding & routing flexibility
- 0.635 mm pitch Edge Rate<sup>®</sup> contacts
- Low-profile 5 mm stack height and slim 5 mm width
- Right-angle and other stack heights in development
- PCIe<sup>®</sup> 5.0 capable

### AcceleRate<sup>®</sup> HP High-Performance Arrays

- Flexible open-pin-field design
- Cost optimized, extreme performance solution
- Four rows with up to 400 total pins (roadmap to 1,000+ pins) on a 0.635 mm pitch
- Low-profile 5 mm stack height, up to 10 mm
- Data rate capable with PCIe® 5.0 and 100 GbE

### **COM-HPC® High-Density Interconnect System**

- Meets the COM-HPC<sup>®</sup> standard for high-performance CoMs
- Provides system and interface flexibility by adopting a pair of 400 pin connectors (800 pins total) on a 0.635 mm pitch
- Up to 32 Gbps per channel (4,096 Gbps max aggregate, 2,088 Gbps/in<sup>2</sup>)
- Ultra-high speed performance and extended connectivity, with limitless scalability
- Data rate capable with PCIe® 5.0 and 100 GbE
- Visit samtec.com/COMHPC for additional information

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Client Carrier with Samtec COM-HPC® module. Image courtesy of congatec GmbH.





### **HIGH POWER SYSTEMS** | For additional solutions, please visit **samtec.com/Power**.

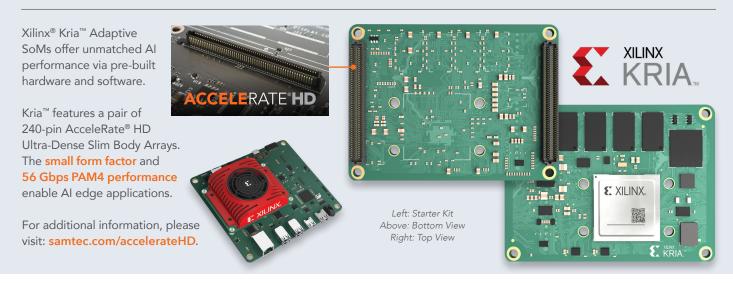
#### mPOWER<sup>®</sup> Ultra Micro High Power Interconnects

- 2–10 positions
- Micro 2.00 mm pitch
- Up to 18 A per blade
- 5 mm to 20 mm stack heights
- Design flexibility as a poweronly system or a two-piece system for power/signal applications
- Use with Samtec's high-speed mezzanine connector systems for a unique power / signal combo system
- Selectively loading contacts
  achieves customer specific creepage
  and clearance requirements; please contact
  asp@samtec.com to discuss your application



Pair mPOWER<sup>®</sup> with Samtec high-speed connectors (ERF5/ERM5 Series shown) for a signal / power combo, or use alone as a power-only system.

#### **APPLICATION: Xilinx<sup>®</sup> Kria<sup>™</sup> Adaptive System-on-Modules**





# A ACCELERATORS

## LOW-LATENCY • HIGH BANDWIDTH • PERFORMANCE SCALABILITY

Samtec offers a full line of high-performance cables and connectors that support the bandwidth, scalability and density demands of AI Accelerators. Solutions include high-speed connectors and high-performance cable systems that support a variety of industry-standard form factors, including PCIe<sup>®</sup> CEM AIC and PECFF.

### HIGH-SPEED EDGE CARD For additional solutions, visit samtec.com/PCIe & samtec.com/EdgeCard.

### PCI Express<sup>®</sup> High-Speed Edge Card Sockets

- PCIe® 3.0 Capable (PCIE Series)
  - 1.00 mm (.0394") pitch
  - Supports 4, 8 and 16 PCI Express<sup>®</sup> links
  - Vertical, right-angle or edge mount
- PCle<sup>®</sup> 4.0 Capable
  - Low-profile (PCIE-LP) and slim body (PCIE-G4) designs
  - 1.00 mm pitch in x1 (36P), x4 (64P), x8 (98P) and x16 (164P) configurations
  - In Development: through-hole tails (PCIE-LP)
- PCIe<sup>®</sup> 5.0 Capable (PCIE-G5)
  - Design-in today for future-proof data rates
  - Mates with standard PCIe® expansion cards
  - 1, 4, 8 and 16 PCI Express<sup>®</sup> 5.0 link options
  - In Development: 56 Gbps NRZ edge card system

### Generate<sup>™</sup> High-Speed Edge Card Socket

- 0.60 mm pitch differential pair system
- PCle<sup>®</sup> 5.0 capable; meets Gen-Z<sup>™</sup> specifications
- Compliant to SFF-TA-1002: x4 (1C), x8 (2C), x16 (4C & 4C+)
- Rugged Edge Rate<sup>®</sup> contact system, optimized for signal integrity performance and high cycle life
- Standard weld tab for mechanical strength
- 112 Gbps PAM4 system in development





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PCIE PCIE-LP s



PCIe<sup>®</sup> 4.0 slim body socket with Edge Rate<sup>®</sup> contacts (PCIE-G4)



#### **FLYOVER® TECHNOLOGY** | For additional solutions, visit **samtec.com/Flyover**.

Samtec Flyover<sup>®</sup> systems help extend signal reach and density to achieve next gen speeds by routing signals via ultra low skew twinax cable versus through lossy PCB.

#### **Flyover® Solutions:**

- Direct Attach Flyover® QSFP28 & QSFP-DD Cable Assemblies; QSFP-DD800 solutions in development
- NovaRay® Extreme Density, 112 Gbps PAM4 Array Cable Assemblies
- AcceleRate® Slim Direct Attach Cable Assemblies
- Si-Fly<sup>™</sup> 112 Gbps PAM4 Ultra-High Density Co-Packaged Cable System
- FireFly<sup>™</sup> Future-Proof Copper and Optical Ultra Micro Flyover System<sup>™</sup>
- ExaMAX<sup>®</sup> High-Speed Backplane Systems



NovaRay<sup>®</sup>

### **APPLICATION: Samtec 32 GT/s Test Platform for AI & ML Applications**

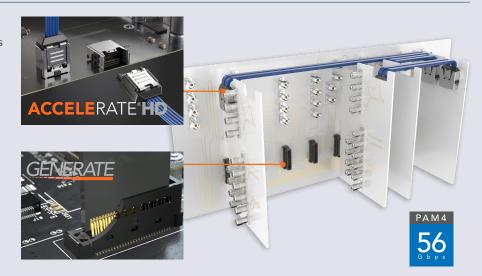
NovaRay<sup>®</sup>

Leveraging Gen Z<sup>™</sup> PECFF, **Samtec's innovative, scalable test platform** validates Signal Integrity evaluation with realistic topology loss ranges over Samtec highspeed connector and cabling solutions.

Optimized for performance, AcceleRate® HD slim, high-density cable assemblies and Generate<sup>™</sup> high-speed edge card connectors enable 32 GT/s PCIe® 5.0 speeds in targeted AI-HPC architectures.

For additional information, please visit:

- samtec.com/accelerate
- samtec.com/edgecard





AcceleRate<sup>®</sup>

FireFly™

Copper

# A APPLICATION SPECIFIC

### ULTRA-LOW LATENCY • HIGH DATA RATES • LOW PING

Emerging application-specific AI hardware systems require optimized channel performance to support increased data rates, smaller footprints, and longer signal reach. Samtec offers a wide variety of high-performance cabling solutions engineered to support extreme data rates and density, while providing optimized signal integrity and design flexibility.

#### **HIGH-PERFORMANCE CABLE SYSTEMS** | For additional solutions, visit **samtec.com/HighSpeedCable**.

### Si-Fly<sup>™</sup> 112 Gbps PAM4 Co-Packaged Cable System

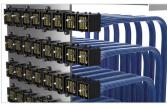
- Copper Flyover<sup>®</sup> cable assembly in development; co-packaged interconnect configuration for advanced 112G+ data rates on the roadmap
- Ultra-high density configuration adjacent to the IC package, eludes the BGA, routing signals directly from the silicon package through a longreach cable, providing 5x the reach of traditional PCB solutions
- Up to 16 pairs in an incredibly low 3.4 mm profile, which allows connectors to reside under heat sinks or other cooling hardware
- Extreme channel performance: 112 Gbps PAM4 per lane, enabling 25.6 TB aggregate, with a path to 51.2 TB

### ExaMAX<sup>®</sup> High-Speed High-Density Backplane Cable System

- Samtec's Eye Speed<sup>®</sup> 30 & 34 AWG ultra low skew twinax cable technology provides improved signal integrity, increased flexibility and routability
- Highly customizable with modular flexibility
- Reduced costs due to lower PCB layer counts
- Two reliable points of contact with a 2.4 mm wipe
- Multiple end options provide increased density, flexibility and space savings



FireFly<sup>™</sup>, NovaRay<sup>®</sup>, AcceleRate<sup>®</sup> & Flyover<sup>®</sup> QSFP-DD end options



Increases architectural flexibility for high-density applications

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**ExaMA** 

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56 G b p s

### Double-Density Flyover® QSFP Cable System

- 8 Channels (x8 Bidirectional, 16 Differential Pairs)
- Up to 800 Gbps 112G PAM4 aggregate
- Eye Speed<sup>®</sup> ultra low skew twinax cable technology (< 3.5 ps/meter)
- Flyover® technology simplifies board layout and extends signal reach
- Localized press-fit control & power contacts
- Multiple End 2 options for design flexibility
- Heat dissipation: ~7+ W/cable
- Cages and heat sinks support a variety of airflow patterns



High-speed contacts directly soldered to Eye Speed® ultra low skew twinax



Belly-to-belly mating for maximum density



**FLYOVER**<sup>®</sup>

Sideband signals are routed through press-fit contacts for increased airflow

### APPLICATION: REFLEX CES Zeus Zynq<sup>®</sup> UltraScale+<sup>™</sup> MPSoC System-on-Module

ACCELERATE"HD

The REFLEX CES Zeus SoM, based on Xilinx® ZU11EG Zynq® UltraScale+™ MPSoC FPGAs, offers optimized multi-core performance for embedded AI applications.

Samtec's AcceleRate® HD **slim body**, **high-performance**, **high-density cable** assemblies easily route 25 Gbps

XCVRs from Zeus throughout any embedded AI system.

Please visit **samtec.com/accelerateHD** for additional information.



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# **TECHNICAL RESOURCES**

Samtec-designed Evaluation & Development Kits simplify the design process and reduce time to market. Kits are available for many of our high-performance connector sets, high-speed cable assemblies and optical solutions. Custom kits are also available. Visit samtec.com/kits or contact kitsandboards@samtec.com for a full list of availability.

### **FPGA DEVELOPMENT BOARDS**



VITA 57.4 FMC+ HSPC Loopback Card



VITA 57.4 FMC+ HSPC / HSPCe Loopback Card



VITA 57.4 FMC+ 25/28 Gbps FireFly™ Module



FMC+ HSPC Loopback Card Supporting Xilinx® Virtex® UltraScale™+ VCU118 Kit

#### SI EVALUATION KITS: BOARD-TO-BOARD SYSTEMS



ExaMAX® High-Speed Backplane System (EBTF/EBTM)



Generate<sup>™</sup> High-Speed Edge Card Socket (HSEC6-DV)



Generate<sup>™</sup> Differential Pair Edge Card Socket (HSEC8-DP)



AcceleRate<sup>®</sup> HD High-Density Arrays (ADM6/ADF6)

### **SI EVALUATION KITS: CABLE SYSTEMS**



ExaMAX® Backplane Cable System (EBCM/EBTF-RA)



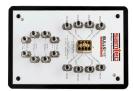
AcceleRate® Flyover® Slim Direct Attach Cable Assembly (ARC6/ARF6)



Flyover® QSFP28 Cable System (FQSFP to ARC6/DCH)



Flyover® QSFP Double-Density Cable System (FQSFP-DD to NVAC/ARC6)



Bulls Eye® 50 GHz High-Performance Test System (BE40A)





Samtec's Signal Integrity Engineers address next generation system design challenges with industry-leading expertise in high-performance interconnect systems, along with testing and validation services, system optimization support, and easy-to-use design and development tools. Contact sig@samtec.com to discuss your application needs.

#### **SIGNAL INTEGRITY SERVICES & SUPPORT**

#### **Frontline Engineering Services**

- High Data Rate Simulations
- Channel Analysis
- Signal Integrity Models
- PCB / BOR Designs
- Connector Selection

- **Technical Application Support**
- Signal / Power Integrity Expertise
- Testing, Validation & Analysis
- Full Channel SI Analysis / Optimization
- PCB Layout & Routing Assistance
- Full System Design Support

#### **Industry Standards Support**

- Member/Participant of 30+ Industry, Corporate & De Facto Standards
- Compatible/compliant products include: VITA, PC/104<sup>™</sup>, PISMO<sup>™</sup>, IEEE, SFF-SIG, SATA, Xilinx<sup>®</sup>, Altera<sup>®</sup>, Arm<sup>®</sup>
- Visit samtec.com/standards

#### **ONLINE DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT TOOLS**

#### **Digital Design Tools**

- Easy-to-use tools developed in-house help streamline and simplify the design process
  - Solutionator<sup>®</sup> Parametric Search Tool
  - Channelyzer<sup>®</sup> Online Full Channel Simulation and Analysis Tool

#### **Development Tools**

- A full library of evaluation and development test platforms for high-speed interconnect systems
- Partnerships with SerDes vendors demonstrate next generation interconnect solutions



#### **TESTING & VALIDATION CAPABILITIES**

#### **Design Qualification Testing (DQT)**

 Standard testing undergone by all Samtec products to verify the product design meets our intent

#### Extended Life Product<sup>™</sup> (E.L.P.<sup>™</sup>)

 Rigorous testing that evaluates contact resistance including 10 year Mixed Flow Gas (MFG) & High Mating Cycles (250 to 2,500); visit samtec.com/ELP

#### Severe Environment Testing (SET)

 Additional testing ensures products are suitable for rugged and/or harsh environments and other extreme applications; visit samtec.com/SET

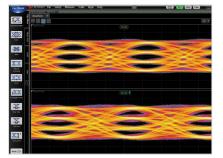
#### Signal Integrity Screening

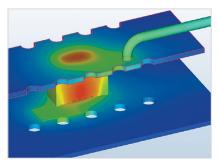
• VNA based test system screens for manufacturing process anomalies that could lead to Signal Integrity degradation in higher data rate products

#### Leakage Testing

• Test platform developed in-house for applications with higher voltage levels and extremely sensitive current leakage specifications



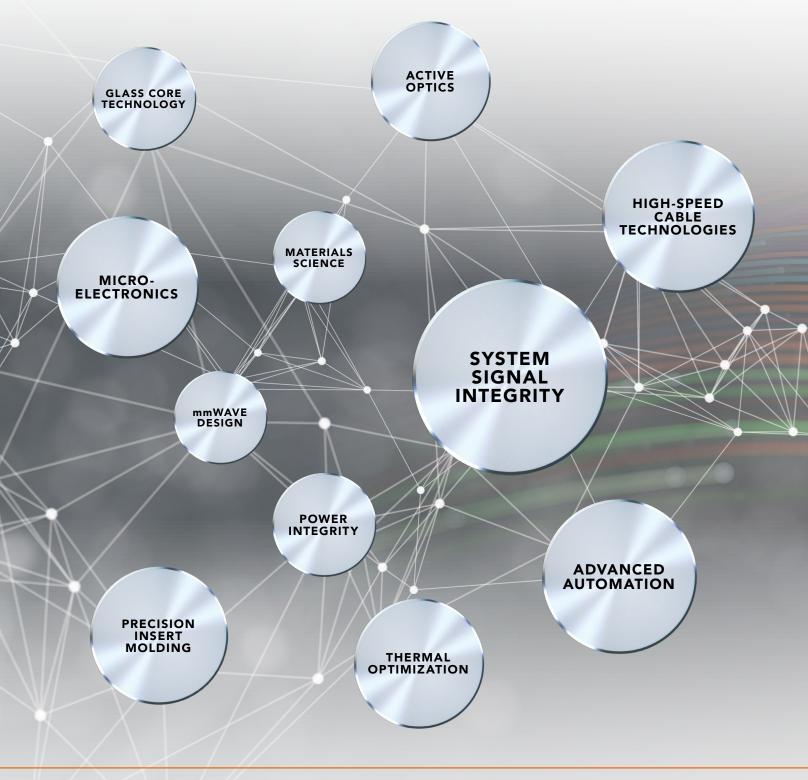






# **INTEGRATION** LEADS TO

Samtec's integrated approach provides high-level design and development of advanced interconnect systems and **TECHNOLOGIES**, along with industry-leading expertise that allows us to offer effective strategies and support for **optimizing the entire serial channel of high-performance systems.** 

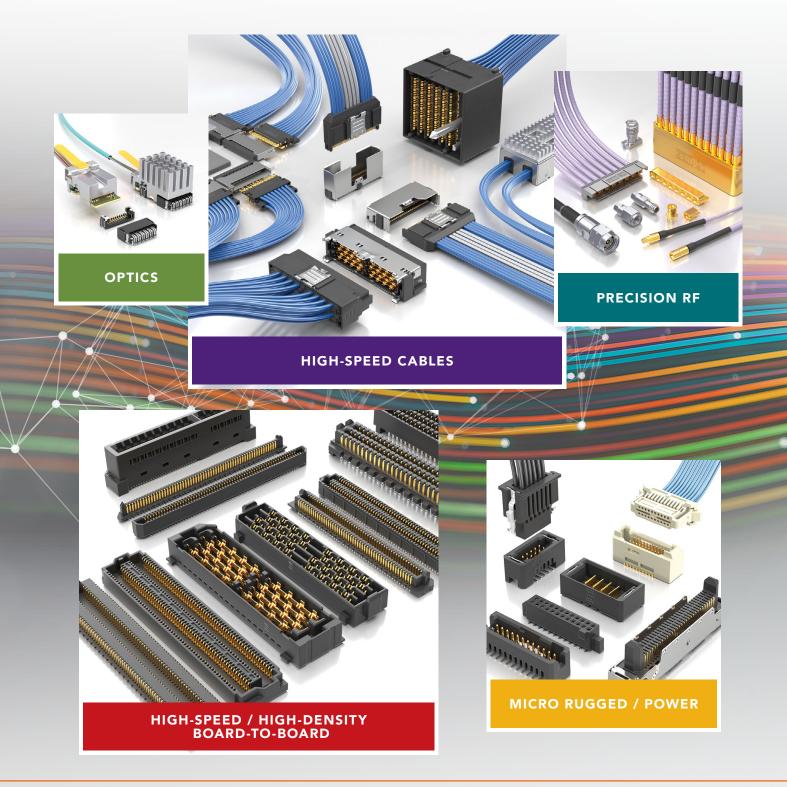




# INNOVATION

Samtec is structured like no other company in the interconnect industry. We work in a fully integrated capacity that enables true collaboration and results in uniquely innovative **PRODUCTS** because **our technology teams are not limited by the boundaries of traditional business units.** 

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# **GLOBAL MANUFACTURING & SUPPORT**







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