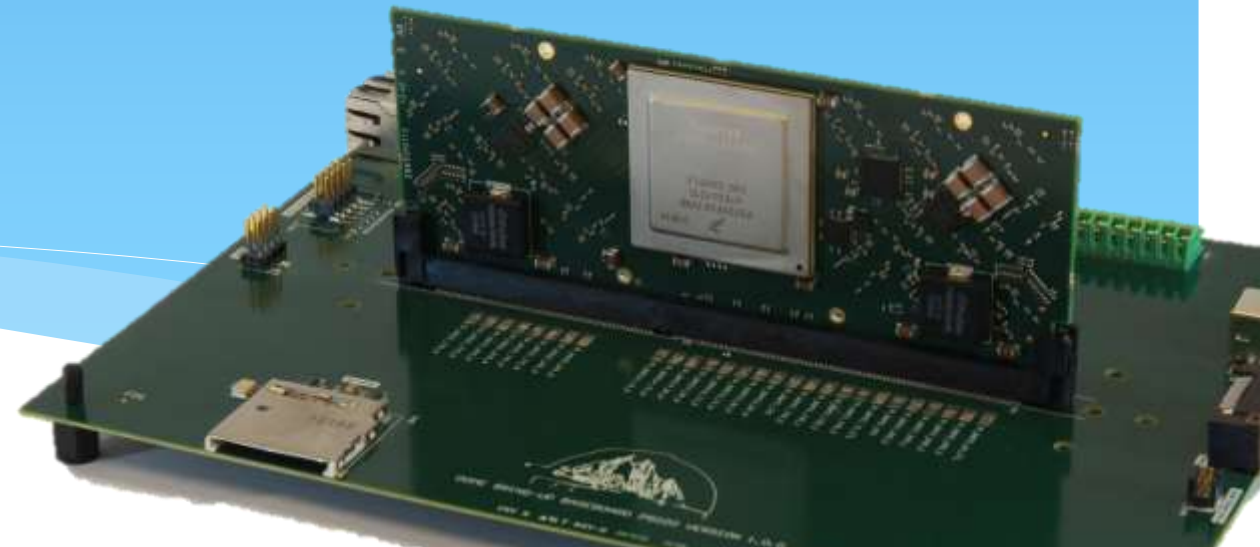


Dome Project



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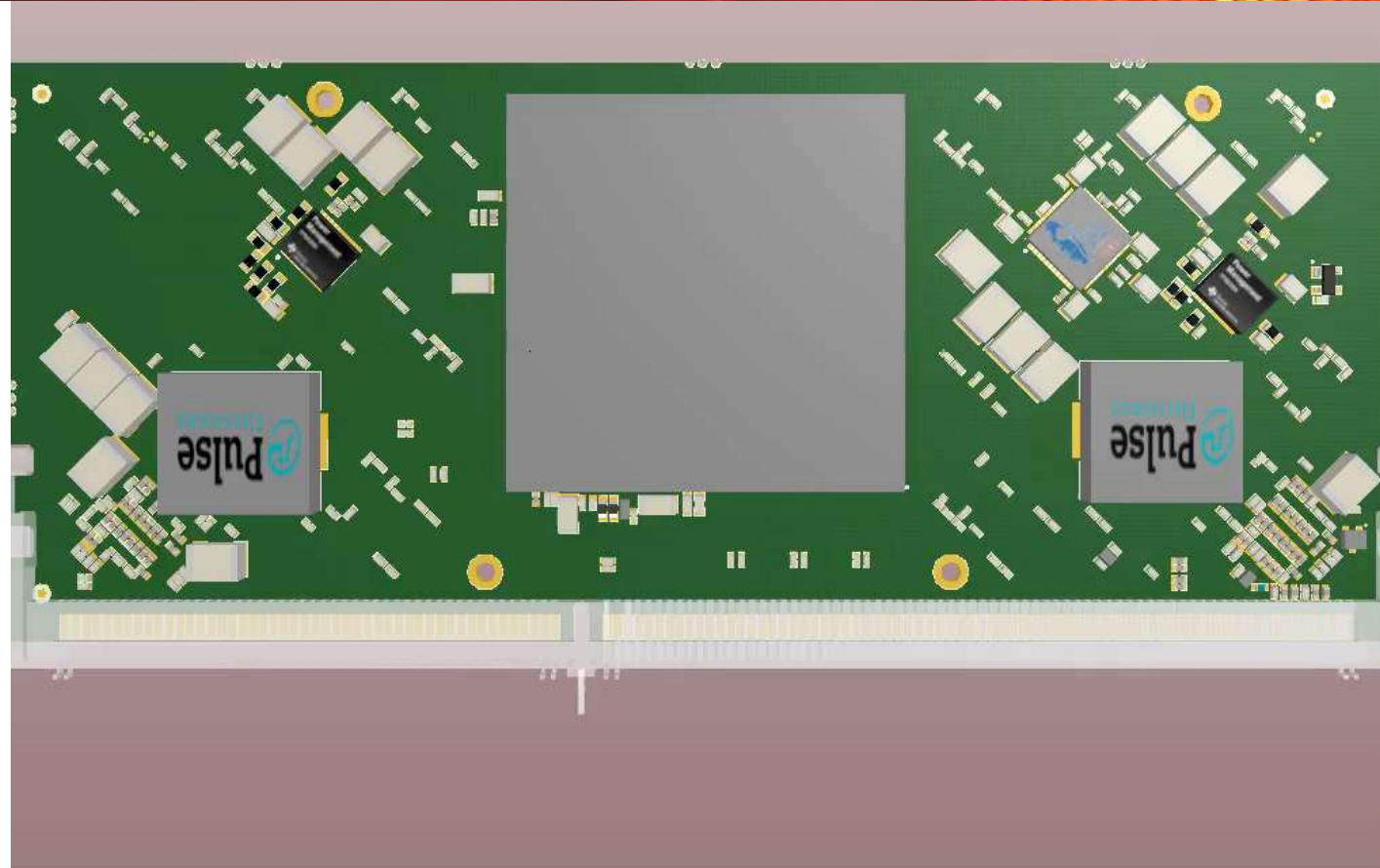


DESIGN AUTOMATION EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

FPGA - EMBEDDED - INTERNET OF THINGS - PCB TECHNOLOGIEËN

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Subjects

- ▶ Introduction
- ▶ DOME project
- ▶ Expectations before start of project
- ▶ Challenges
- ▶ The engineering part
- ▶ Results
- ▶ Lessons learned
- ▶ Currently running projects
- ▶ Benefits for Transfer
- ▶ Q & A



Altium

Introduction

- ▶ Henk de Jonge
- ▶ CTO at Transfer DSW (Formerly DsignWorx) since 2010
- ▶ Started on the Dome project in 2012
- ▶ Project Management for the various DOME projects:
 - ▶ Processor Module
 - ▶ Processor Baseboard Module
 - ▶ Switch Power Test Module
 - ▶ Switch Module Daughterboard
 - ▶ Switch Module Motherboard

Introduction Transfer

- ▶ **Design Automation Solutions**
 - ▶ PCB
 - ▶ ASIC/FPGA
 - ▶ System Design
- ▶ **Consulting Services**
 - ▶ EDA Integration
 - ▶ Library management
- ▶ **Educational Services**
 - ▶ Tool based
 - ▶ Methodology
- ▶ **Engineering services**

Design Automation Solutions

- Altium Unified Electronic Devel. Solution
- JTAG Technologies JTAG Design for test
- BoardPerfect EDA Autorouter
- SpaceClaim Smart 3D tool for engineers
- Simplified Solutions 3D component models
- Desktop EDA 3D (IDF) interface to AD



DOME Project

- ▶ SKA (Square Kilometer Array)
- ▶ Big Bang
- ▶ Big Data
- ▶ Bilateral
 - ▶ The Netherlands
 - ▶ Switzerland
 - ▶ South Africa
 - ▶ Australia
 - ▶ United Kingdom
 - ▶ Italy
 - ▶ ...



DOME



DOME User Platform

DOME Project - LOFAR

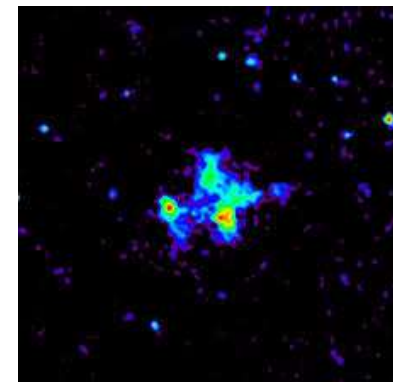
- ▶ LOFAR project (Low Frequency Array)
 - ▶ Low frequency -> High wavelength -> Large scaled antenna's
- ▶ Astron (Dwingeloo Dr.)



LOFAR



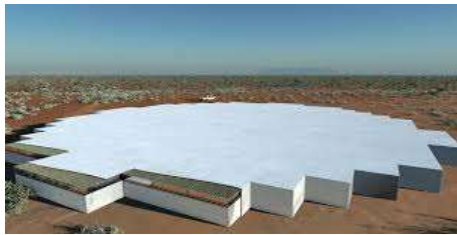
Antenna's



Imaging

DOME Project -SKA

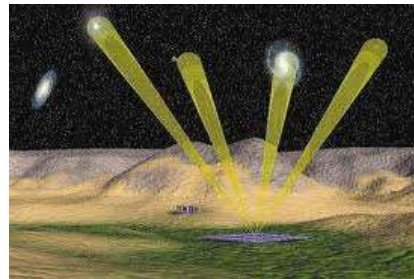
► SKA (Square Kilometer Array) Project



South Africa



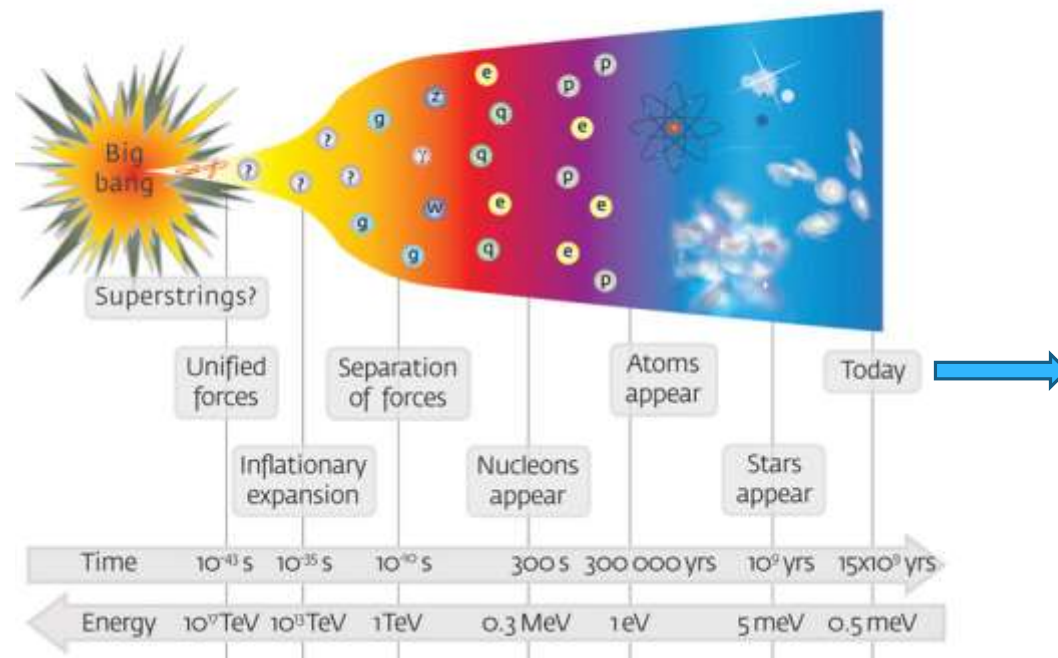
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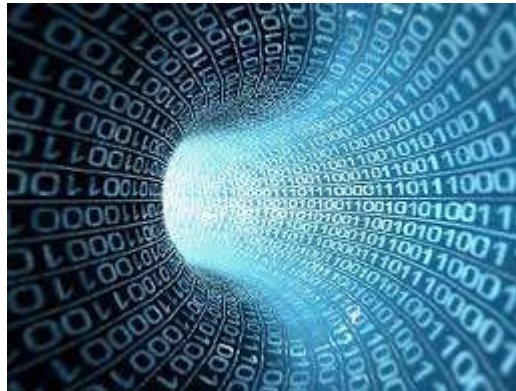
DOME Project – Big Bang

► Big Bang



DOME Project – Big Data

- ▶ Big Data - SKA project
 - ▶ Big Bang
- ▶ Exascale computing



- ▶ 2014 – 15 petaflops
- ▶ 2024 – 15 exaflops

Source: Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Exascale computing refers to [computing systems](#) capable of at least one [exaFLOPS](#). Such capacity represents a thousandfold increase over the first [petascale](#) computer that came into operation in 2008. (One exaflops is a thousand petaflops or a [quintillion](#), 10^{18} , floating point operations per second.)

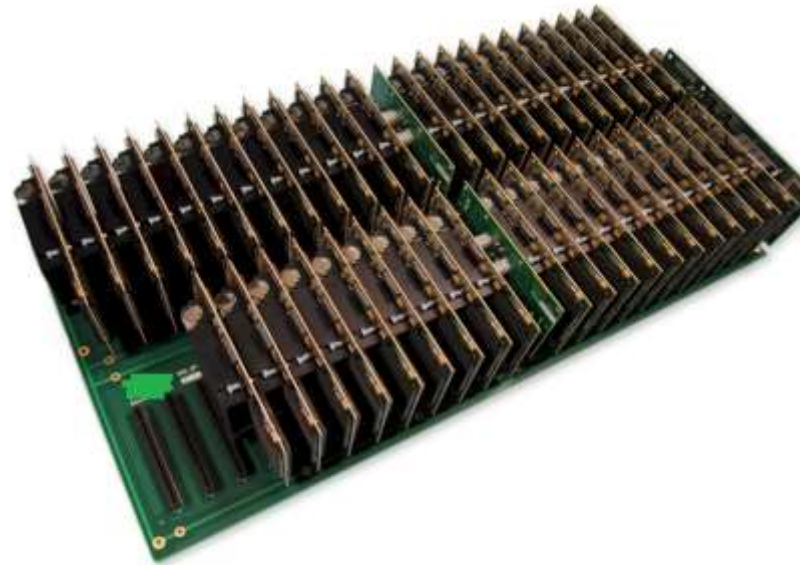
DOME Project – Big Data

- ▶ Big Data - Ordinary world
 - ▶ Traffic
 - ▶ Bank transaction systems
 - ▶ 12 msec -> 4 msec ->
 - ▶ Shopping behaviour
 - ▶ Special discounts while shopping
 - ▶ Internet Search engines
 - ▶ ...

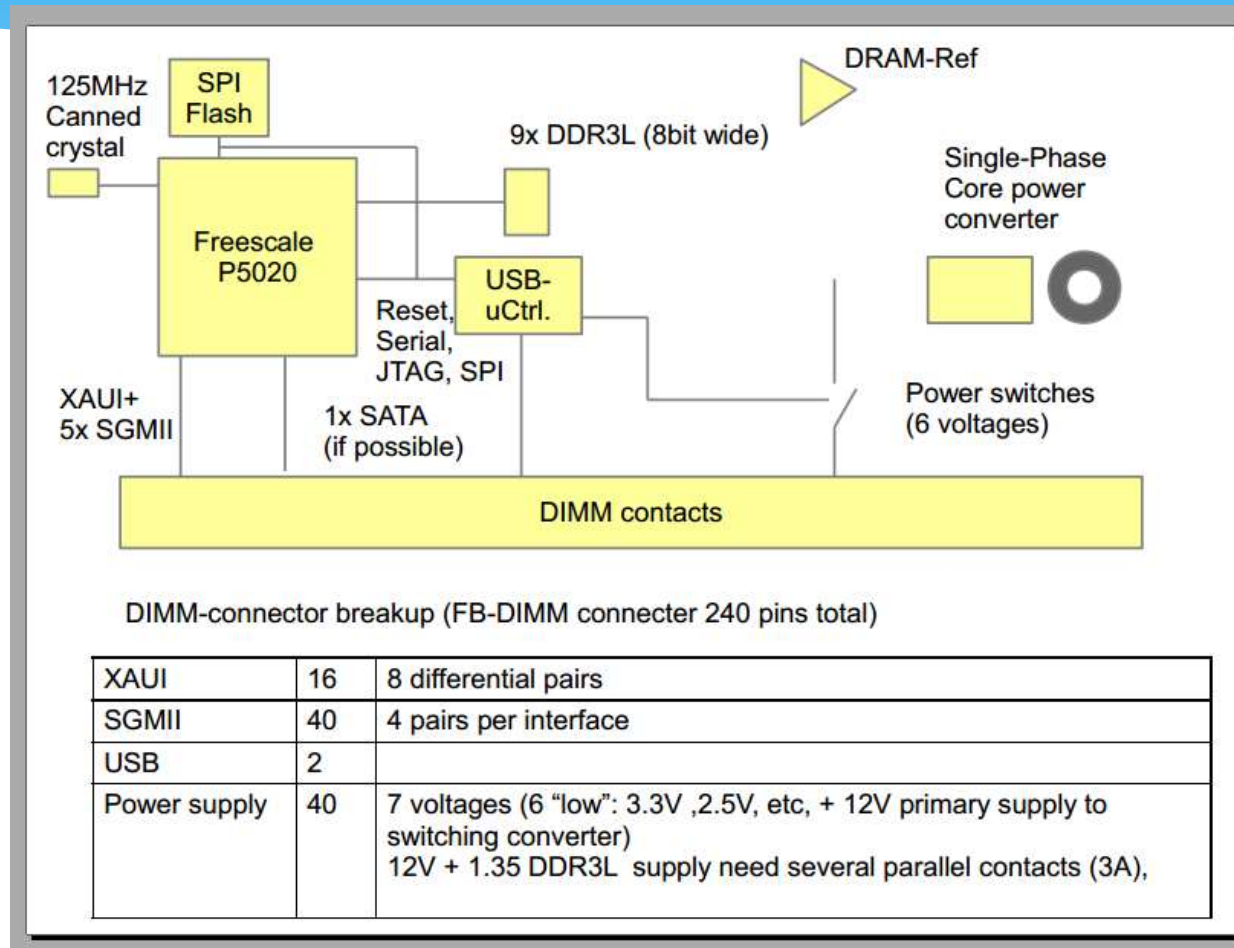


DOME Project – Area

- ▶ 3 Main Areas:
 - ▶ Green Computing
 - ▶ Nano-photonics
 - ▶ **Data & Streaming**
- ▶ 7 Research Projects:
 - ▶ Algorithms & Machines
 - ▶ Access Patterns
 - ▶ Nano Photonics
 - ▶ Accelerators
 - ▶ Compressive Sampling
 - ▶ RT Communication
 - ▶ **Microservers**



Processor PCB – High level spec



Processor PCB - Challenges

- ▶ Area PCB: 130 x 55 mm (~ DIMM size)
- ▶ 9 Twin-Die DDR3-IC's, total of 9 GB RAM
- ▶ Large BGA package
- ▶ 12 V -> 1V & 12 V -> 1.1 V power supply on-board, 20 Amps per supply
- ▶ Component height (board – to – board pitch as small as possible)

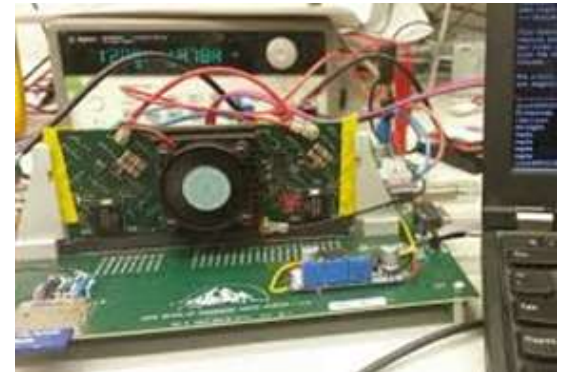


Processor Bring-up Baseboard - Challenges

- ▶ uServer mother board to test the on-board peripherals
- ▶ Area: 220mm x 160mm
- ▶ Mounted vertically (room for testing)
- ▶ Mechanically secured with screws that also provide the 12V supply
- ▶ The 12V power supply via the uServer module cooling mount
- ▶ All power supplies needed to run the P5020/P5040 compute module, can be supplied by the power connector (Lab power supply)

Processor Bring-up Baseboard - Challenges

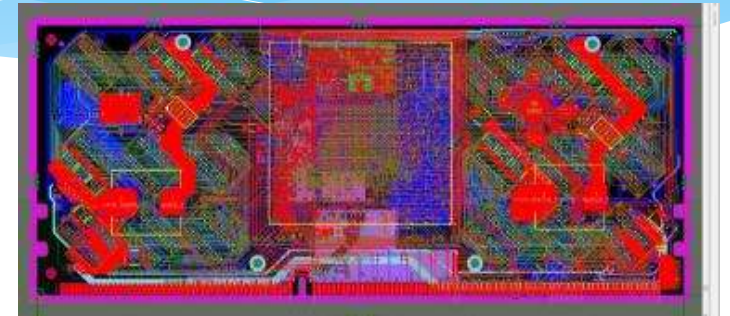
- ▶ The Bring-up baseboard needs the following high-speed interfaces:
 - ▶ USB-B (Slave)
 - ▶ Gigabit Ethernet
 - ▶ SD-Card
 - ▶ S-ATA (2x)
 - ▶ JTAG Debug header for PSOC3 Miniprogrammer
 - ▶ I/O connector for XAUI
 - ▶ Header for UART interface



Engineering the PCB's

Real R&D development Project:

- ▶ Change of specifications
 - Double DDR3 amount (18 instead of 9 IC's)
 - Double S-ATA ports
- ▶ DIMM pin out discussions (continuous change of pin outs)
- ▶ Preliminary datasheets (processor)
- ▶ 10-layer, 1.2 mm thick PCB, more than 60.000 (!) traces, arcs and vias
- ▶ No room for test pads



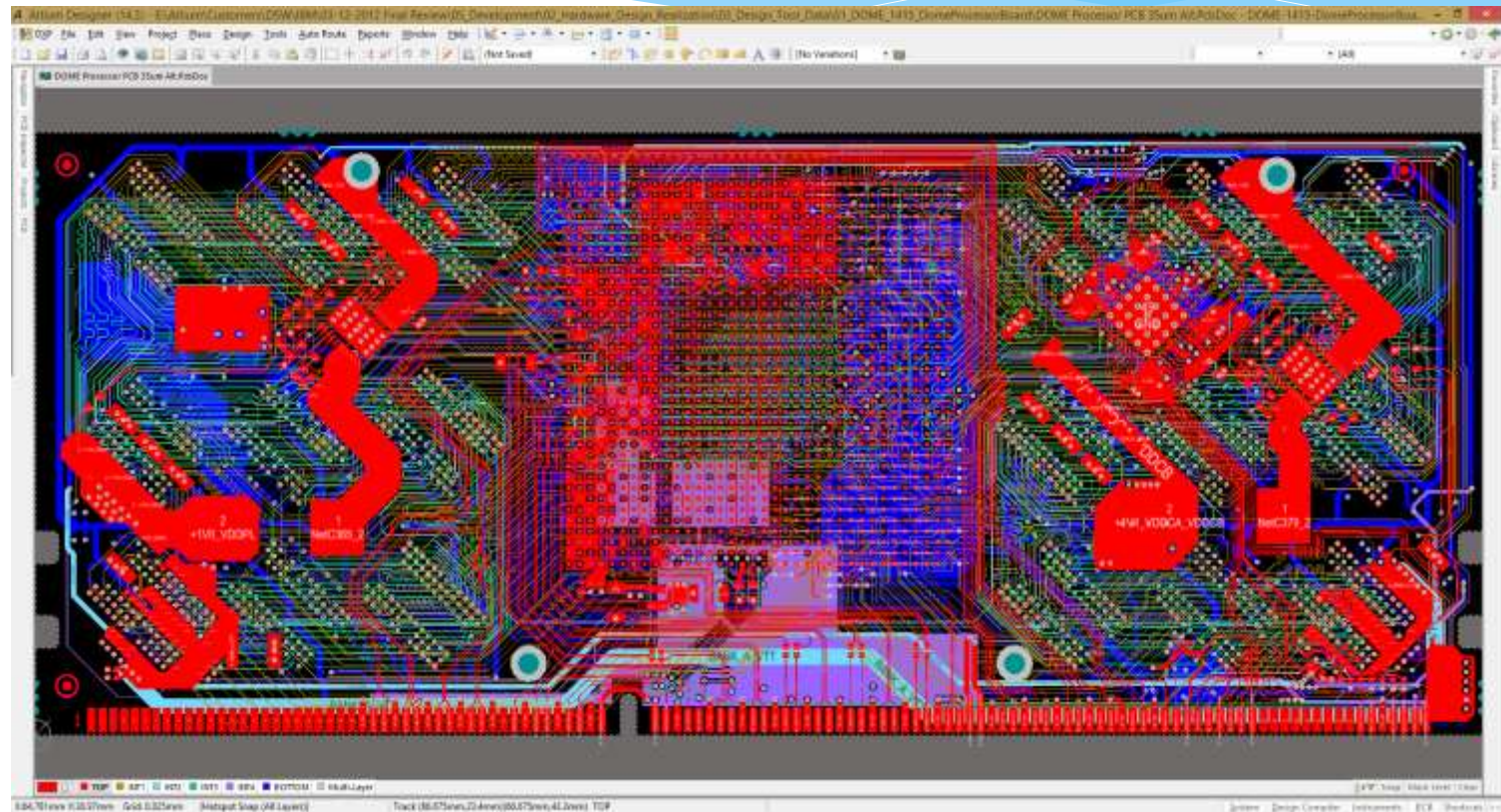
Engineering Tools

- ▶ Altium Designer
 - ▶ Schematic entry
 - ▶ PCB Layout
 - ▶ PCB 3D Design
 - ▶ Technical Product Documentation
- ▶ Saturn PCB
 - ▶ Controlled Impedance calculations
 - ▶ Single ended
 - ▶ Differential
- ▶ Signal Integrity simulation has been outsourced to Sintecs
- ▶ Cooling simulation and implementation will be done by IBM

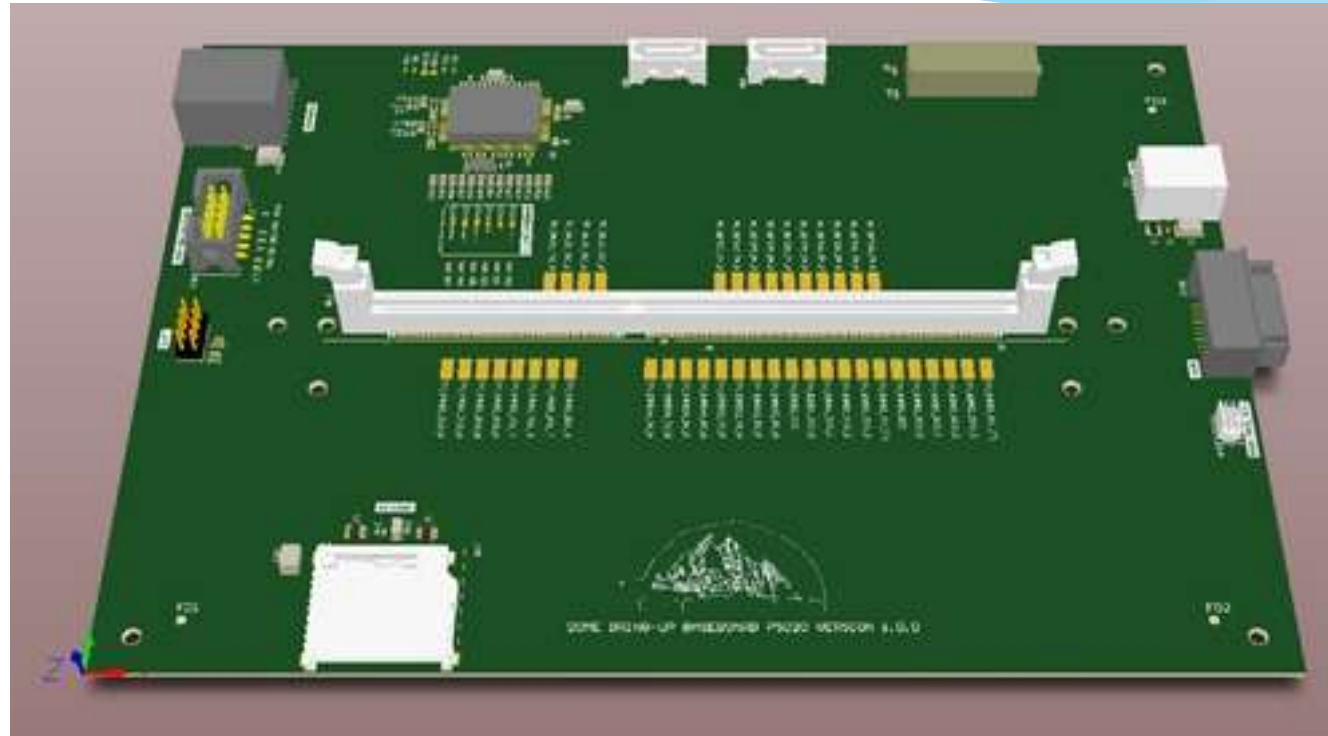


Engineering Tools

► Altium Designer



Processor Bring-up Baseboard



Currently running projects

- ▶ Mini Base Board
- ▶ Network Switch Module
 - ▶ Daughterboard
 - ▶ Motherboard

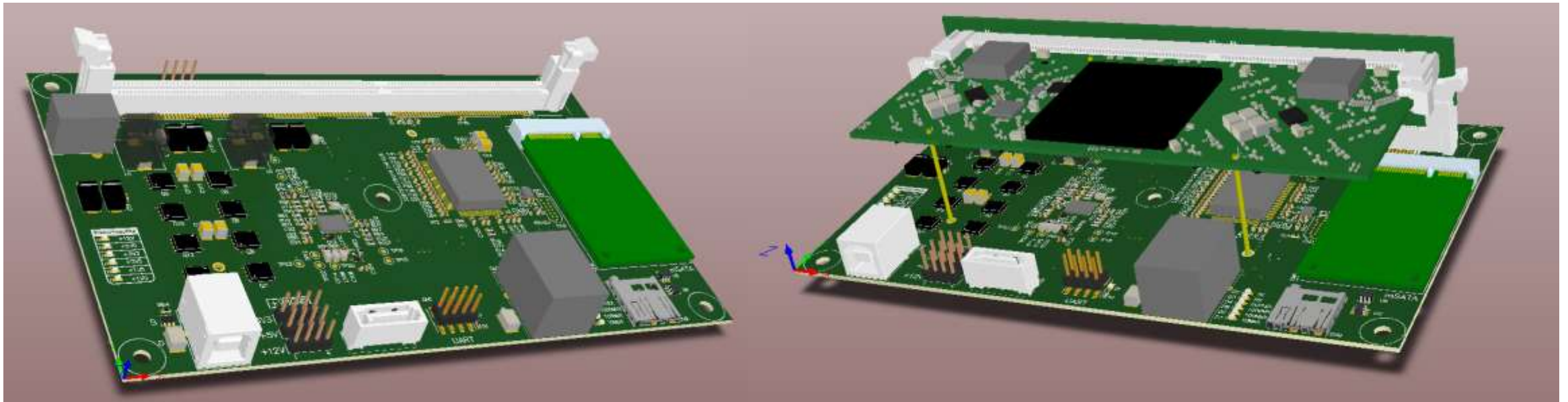
Mini Baseboard – Challenges

- ▶ Area PCB: 150 x 100 mm
- ▶ The processor module must be placed co-planary
- ▶ 90 degree DIMM connector
- ▶ Gigabit Ethernet
- ▶ USB
- ▶ SD card
- ▶ S-ATA connector
- ▶ PSOC programming header

Mini Base Board

- ▶ Software development board for processor module
- ▶ Single power supply
- ▶ External cooling possibilities
- ▶ Access to Ethernet & S-ATA interface
- ▶ USB access
- ▶ Storage possibility (SSD & SD-card)

Mini Base Board



Network Switch Module

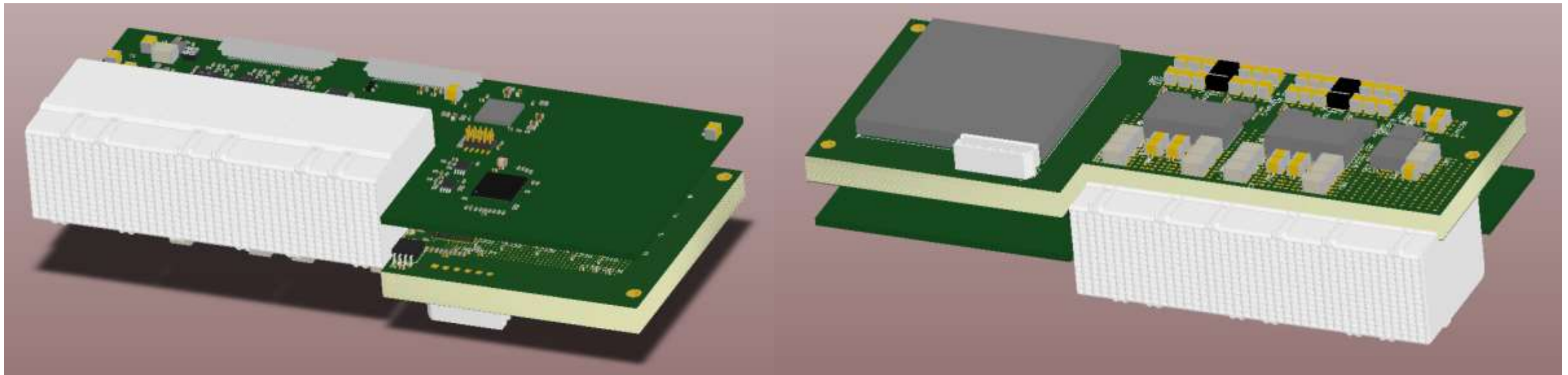
- ▶ Used for interfacing the processor modules
- ▶ 24 channel 10 Gbit Ethernet
- ▶ 2x 60 Amp @ 1V power supply
- ▶ 1x 15 Amp @ 1.1V power supply
- ▶ Microcontroller used for configuration, power up sequence & diagnosis

Network Switch Module Motherboard

Altium names	LG	Function	Aufbauplan	Abacus	Material	Pressungen			
						1	2	3	4
Bottom Layer	01	Comp	00.35		Cu 5+25~15+25dp	0.040			
GND 7	02	Ground		xx2	FR408HRIS PP 2013 59%	0.100			
Signal 2	03	Sig 1			Cu 35	0.035			
GND 6	04	Ground		xx1	FR4408HRIS	0.100			
VDD	05	PowerVDD			Cu 35	0.035			
GND 5	06	Ground		xx2	FR408HRIS PP 2013 59%	0.100			
VDDS	07	PowerVDD2			Cu 35	0.035			
GND 4	08	Ground		xx1	FR4408HRIS	0.100			
AVDD	09	PowerVDD3			Cu 35	0.035			
GND 3	10	Ground		xx2	FR408HRIS PP 2013 59%	0.100			
+12V	11	PowerAVDD			Cu 35	0.035			
GND 2	12	Ground		xx1	FR4408HRIS	0.100			
Shield 7	13	Ground		xx2	FR408HRIS PP 2013 59%	0.100			
Diff 6	14	Diff 1			Cu 18	0.018			
Shield 6	15	Ground		xx1	FR4408HRIS	0.100			
Diff 5	16	Diff 2			Cu 18	0.018			
Shield 5	17	Ground		xx2	FR408HRIS PP 2013 59%	0.100			
Diff 4	18	Diff 3			Cu 18	0.018			
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Diff 2	22	Diff 5			Cu 18	0.018			
Shield 2	23	Ground		xx1	FR4408HRIS	0.100			
Diff 1	24	Diff 3			Cu 18	0.018			
Shield 1	25	Ground		xx2	FR408HRIS PP 2013 59%	0.100			
Signal 1	26	Sig 2			Cu 18	0.018			
GND1	27	Ground		xx1	FR4408HRIS	0.100			
Top Layer	28	Comp	00.35 00.30 00.39	xx2	FR408HRIS PP 2013 59%	0.100			
					Cu 5+25~15+25dp	0.040			
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								3.514	

Enddicke nach dem Pressen

Network Switch Module



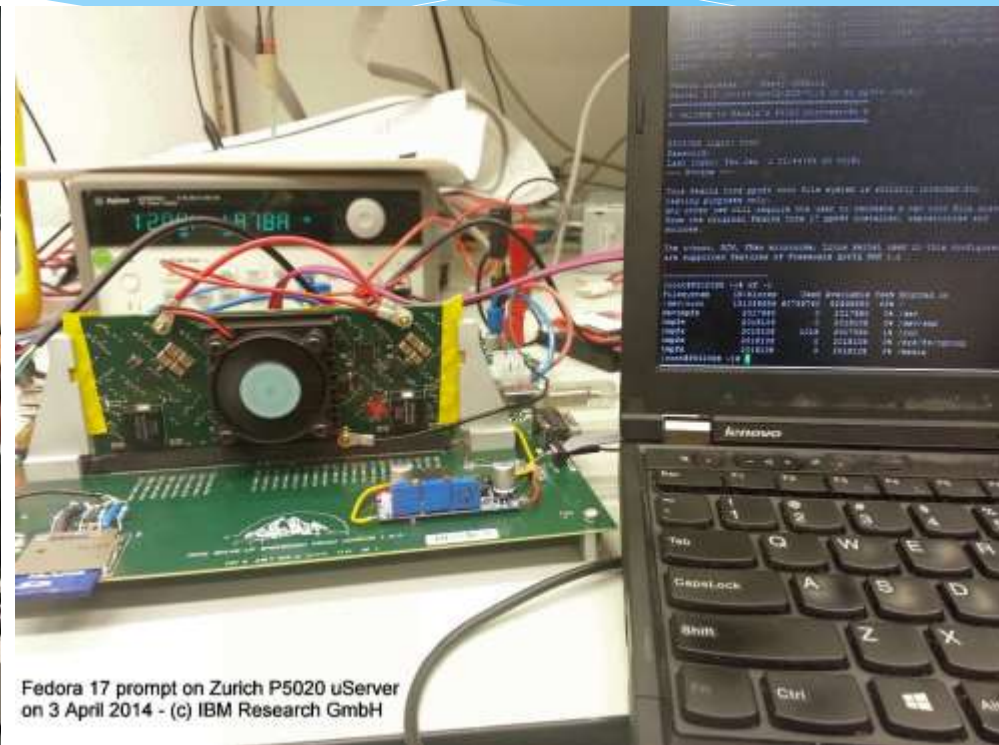
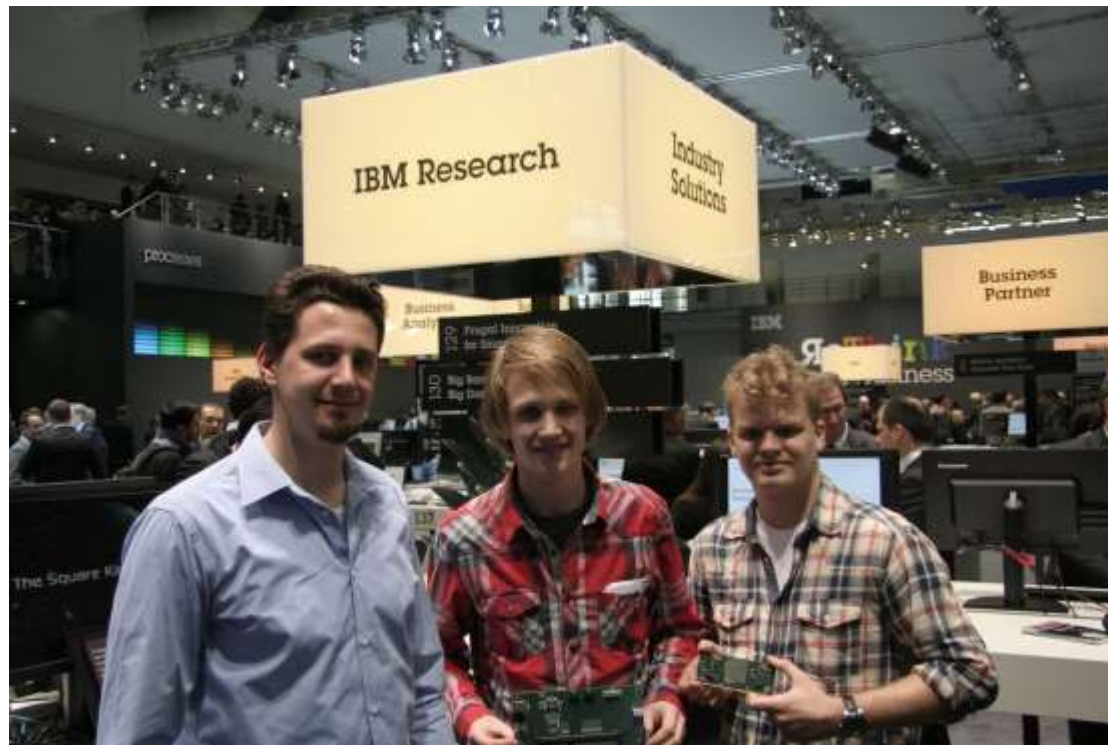
Lessons learned

- ▶ Out of the box thinking
 - ▶ Power through cooling body
- ▶ Extended on-board diagnosis
 - ▶ JTAG Boundary Scan
 - ▶ Simulation/testing & functional diagnosis at the same time
- ▶ Signal Integrity
 - ▶ High-Speed design course

Benefits from the project

- ▶ Major growth in experience
- ▶ Growth in manpower
 - ▶ Increased from 3 to 6 employees
- ▶ Easier to get projects from customers
 - ▶ Workmanship/Experience
- ▶ Helped to improve products of our software suppliers

Results



Fedora 17 prompt on Zurich P5020 uServer
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What's in for YOU!

- ▶ Challenge the DOME participants for JOINT microserver business development
- ▶ Together, let's define power-efficient processing concepts for your future business!
- ▶ Contact us: info@transferdsw.nl

Q & A

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