

AUTOMOTIVE FLASH MEMORY GROWTH AND THE PRODUCTION BOTTLENECK: ACCELERATING THE TRANSITION FROM EMMC TO 3D UFS IN MANUFACTURING FOR THE CONNECTED CAR

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#### **Abstract**

Automotive electronics systems including powerful in-vehicle infotainment systems (IVI), detailed navigation maps and complex advanced driver assist systems for the connected cars are driving demand for high density Flash memory. Researchers estimate cars will require up to 2TB of data by 2022. To meet these demands semiconductor vendors are introducing new automotive grade flash technology with more storage (higher density) in a smaller size.

Designing the next generation of cars with the latest Flash technology is one challenge. Manufacturing and programming these systems without creating a bottleneck in production is another. Data for these applications are primarily programmed into the systems during manufacturing can have significant impacts on the production processes.

It is critical for automotive electronics manufacturers to understand the latest advancements in Flash memory and the impact on their manufacturing process. This session examines the transition from eMMC to 3D UFS (Universal Flash Memory) and the impact of this technology change and rapid content growth on the manufacturing processes. This session will also identify strategies and best practices automotive electronics manufacturers can integrate into their manufacturing processes today to manage large file sizes and ensure they have a highly flexible and cost-effective supply chain.



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#### Who We Are & What We Do





#### CHALLENGES MOVING TO UFS

#### Managing Extremely Large Files: >100GB for infotainment

- Job Creation across multiple regions with security and management
- High Performance Programming (Speed x Capacity) with new device interface
- Security / Encryption capability becoming a requirement

#### **Controlling Manufacturing Costs**

- Leveraging existing supply chain resources where possible
- Installed base of systems must be upgradable to newest technology
- Support for all leading UFS suppliers

#### Maintaining the Highest Reliability

- Integrating Best Practices for Reflow, XRAY and Security
- Programming, not duplication, required for automotive requirements



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#### Universal Flash Storage (UFS) is the Next Wave in Automotive

#### 2014/2015

UFS is introduced into the market targeting consumer applications

#### 2017

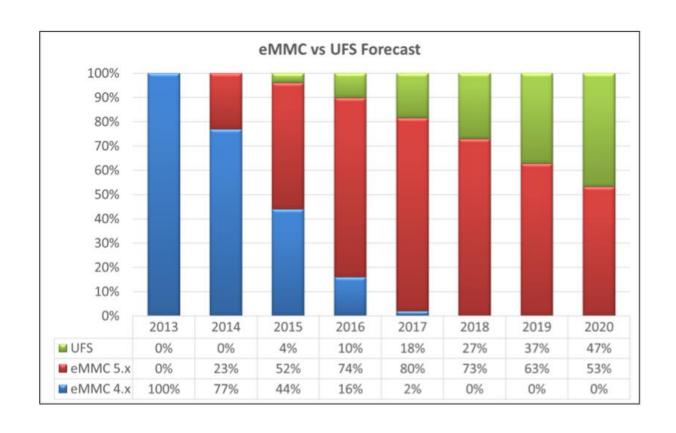
Data I/O introduced UFS support for automotive

#### 2018/2019

UFS Automotive SKUs are introduced; demand grows

#### 2020 and beyond

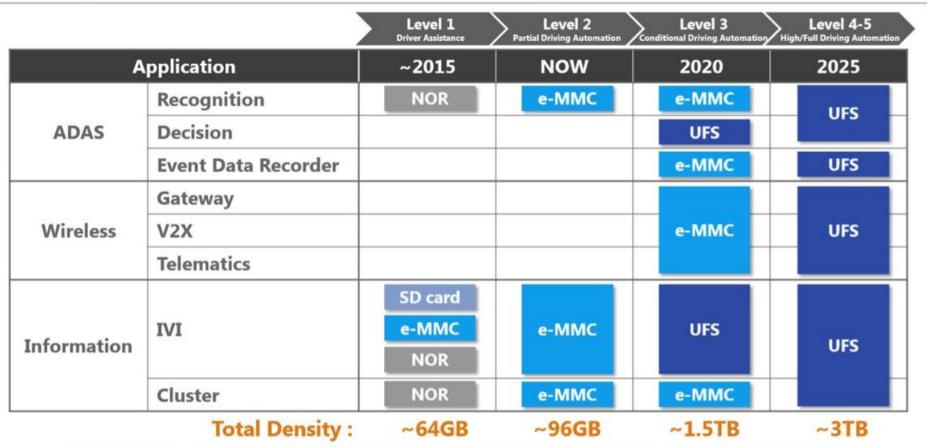
Automotive UFS consumption ramps





#### **AUTOMOTIVE TRANSITION: EMMC TO UFS**

#### **Memory Structure Trend in Automotive Systems**



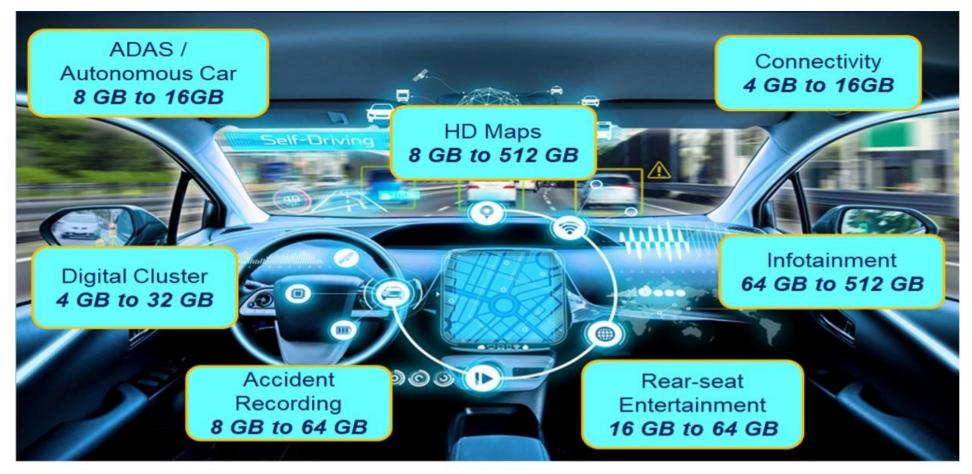
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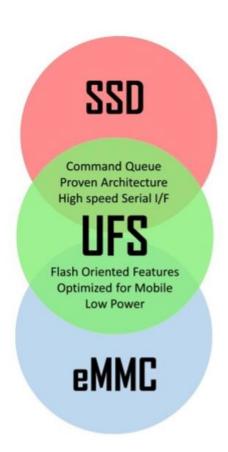
## **Exponential Growth in Data**



6 out of the top 9 automotive electronics manufacturers are transitioning from eMMC to UFS



#### New Flash Interfaces Require State-of-the-Art Programming

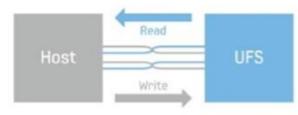


# Parallel(x8) Interface Host eMMC Half Duplex (Read or Write)

- ✓ Parallel interface supporting Read or Write
- ✓ Up to 256GB density for automotive

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Full Duplex (Read & Write)

- ✓ High speed serial interface for simultaneous read and write
- ✓ Automotive grade devices from 32GB up to 512GB
- ✓ Unique settings and special features

**Pre-programming technology must evolve to support UFS** 

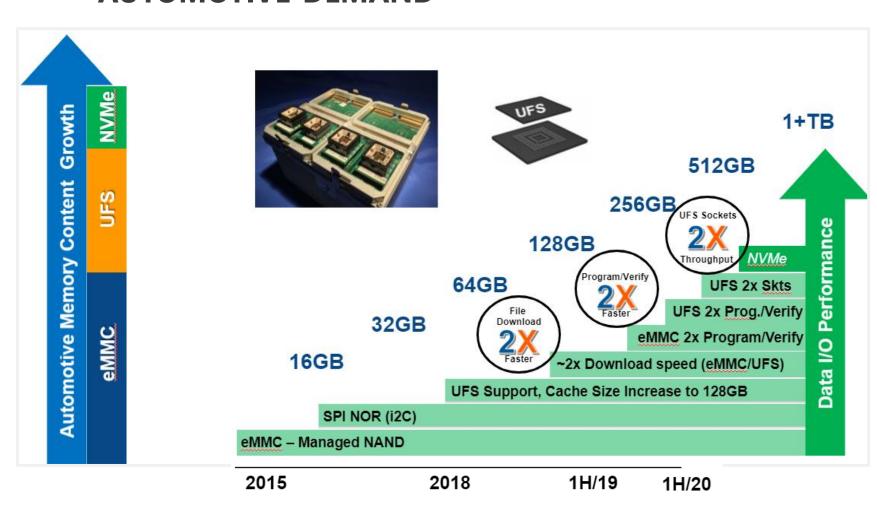


# PROGRAMMERS VS. DUPLICATORS PROGRAMMERS MEET AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY STRICT QUALITY STANDARDS

Programmers	Duplicators
IP (Data Files) Stored on a Secure Network	IP (Data Files) Stored on "Master" Devices - Prone to Intellectual Property Theft
Job Changeovers Secured and Managed	Job Changeovers are Prone to Human Error
Supports multivendor UFS Devices - Adjusts critical timing features of unique UFS devices	Generic UFS Interface - May not be suitable for all UFS vendors
UFS Devices Individually Tested	UFS Devices, not Individually Tested
UFS 3.0 Standard Supported - Uses different programming voltages than UFS 2.x	Support for UFS 3.0 may requires Hardware Redesign
Supports Dynamic Data, Serial Numbers	Cannot Serialize IC's
Supports Bare NAND - Hundreds of Bad Block Schemes	Cannot Support Bare NAND - No controller for Back Block Management (BBM)
Supports RPMB - Replay Protected Memory Block Feature	Does Not Support RPMB - Replay Protected Memory Block Feature
Supports Security Provisioning - Asymmetric Keys and Certificates	No Provisioning Support
Supports Full Device Traceability and Reporting	No Unique Device Statistics



# LUMENX PROGRAMMER DELIVERS PERFORMANCE GAINS TO MEET AUTOMOTIVE DEMAND

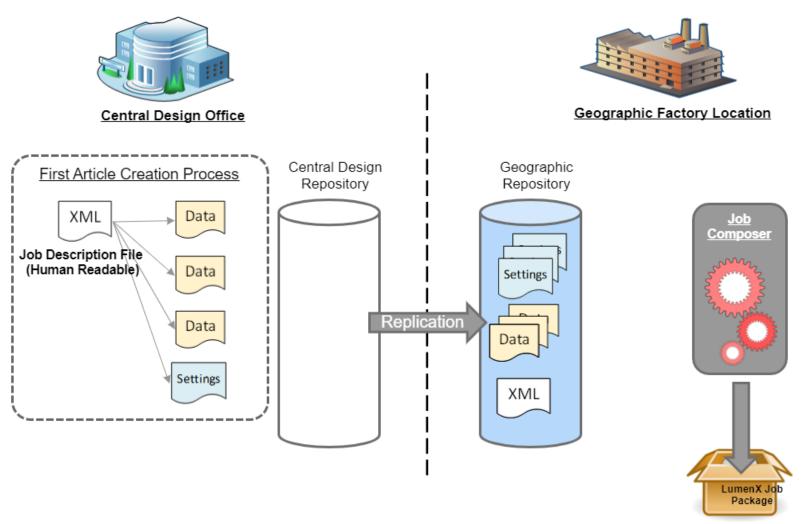


- ✓ Extensible performance with > 100 sockets per PSV7000 Platform
- ✓ Future proof technology with UFS 3.0 support today, NVMe planned
- √ 160MB/sec read/write programming performance
- Minimized risk of human error
- Proven reliability with XRAY, reflow processes



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## **Job Composer: Management System for Large Files**





**Geographic Factory Location** 



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## **Reliability Summary**

The rapid growth in NAND automotive flash memory content and the impact of data retention through X-ray inspection and oven reflow has become a topic of discussion among automotive electronic suppliers, semiconductor vendors and programming vendors.

Data I/O partnered with industry leaders to study the impact of x-ray and oven reflow on Managed NAND devices

X-ray test performed with Managed NAND flash in 15nm and 20nm lithography's from multiple semiconductor vendors. Our study found that **processing Managed NAND flash through X-ray inspection is safe when following best practices**, with filtering having the biggest impact.

Oven reflow test was performed using automotive grade 3D TLC UFS devices from multiple semiconductor vendors. Our study found that **pre-programming is safe** and full device performance is maintained with a post reflow data refresh



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## **Summary**

Connected and Autonomous Cars are Driving Changes in Design & Manufacture of Electronics systems, and moving to UFS based designs

- 40-80% per year1 growth in programmable content drives design change from eMMC to UFS managed NAND
- Changes in programming performance AND support for UFS required

Electronic Systems Suppliers and OEMs must maximize production capability & minimize costs, leveraging existing installed base wherever possible

- Upgrade existing investment in capital equipment to UFS wherever possible
- 60-70% Lower costs than new equipment purchase

Manage software code variants systematically and securely worldwide with Job Composer

**Data I/O,** the world leader in automotive NAND **FLASH** programming, addresses industry trends with a **10X price/performance** gain & extensible LumenX architecture

1 (source: Mercedes Benz) to 1-2TB per vehicle



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#### RECIPE FOR NEXT GENERATION OF AUTOMOTIVE PROGRAMMING





# Thanks!

