

Do optical modules have a future



AI Overview

Optical modules are evolving from traditional communication components into core infrastructure for high-speed AI and data center networks, with 800G deployment mainstreaming and 1.6T technologies emerging.

Current Status

High-speed deployment: The optical module industry has transitioned from 100G to 400G mass commercialization and is now rapidly deploying 800G modules, which are becoming standard in data center interconnects. Early 1.6T modules are in sampling and early deployment stages, driven by AI cluster communication demands.

Technologies in use:

- Current 800G modules** primarily use PAM4 signaling at 100 Gbaud per lane with advanced DSP for equalization, FEC, and clock recovery.
- Dominant form factors** include OSFP (better thermal performance) and QSFP-DD (backward compatibility).
- Silicon photonics (SiPh):** SiPh is replacing traditional InP devices for short-reach data center interconnects, offering high integration, cost-effectiveness, and compatibility with CMOS manufacturing processes.
- Electrical chips:** DSPs are now the key bottleneck in optical module performance, with SerDes speeds evolving from 56G to 224G, defining the upper limits of module throughput.

Emerging architectures: Co-Packaged Optics (CPO) is gaining attention, integrating optical and electrical components on the same board to reduce power consumption, signal loss, and cost while enhancing performance.

Power and thermal challenges: High-density 800G modules consume 15–20W, with thermal management remaining a critical challenge, particularly in hyperscale deployments.

Future Trends

Next-generation speeds: The roadmap points toward 1.6T and 3.2T modules, leveraging integrated laser sources on silicon photonics and advanced modulation techniques to overcome bandwidth bottlenecks.

Emerging technologies: Thin-Film Lithium Niobate (TFLN) is expected to enable ultra-high-speed modulation, while linear pluggable optics (LPO) and half-retimed linear optics (LRO) aim to reduce power consumption and latency.

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