Does the optical module need to use copper



Overview

The optical modules in use today still rely on copper to route between a host controller with the PHY interface and an optical interface. Pluggable optical modules running on PAM4 DSPs have become fundamental for server-to-switch and switch-to-switch connectivity: the vast majority of connections from 5 meters to 2 kilometers inside data centers or campuses today are forged with PAM4 DSP-based optical modules. Bandwidth has doubled. Co-packaged optics (CPO) represents a transformative approach in optical networking, where optical and electronic components are tightly integrated into a single package, typically on the same substrate as the chip. When two optical interfaces have copper modules installed, the interfaces can be connected using a copper cable.



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