Features of LPO optical modules

Summary of Content

Linear Pluggable Optics (LPO) are high-speed optical transceivers that shift digital signal processing from the module to the host, offering lower power consumption, reduced latency, and cost efficiency for short-reach, high-density data center networks.

What is LPO?

LPO, or Linear Pluggable Optics, is an optical transceiver technology designed to simplify high-speed data transmission by removing the Digital Signal Processor (DSP) and Clock Data Recovery (CDR) functions from the module itself. Instead, LPO modules rely on high-linearity analog components such as drivers, lasers, photodiodes, and Transimpedance Amplifiers (TIA) to handle signal amplification and conversion. The host device, such as a switch or NIC, performs the digital signal processing tasks that would traditionally occur inside the module, including equalization, retiming, and error correction .

Key Advantages

• Lower Power Consumption: By eliminating the DSP, LPO modules reduce power usage significantly—often by 30%–50% per module—compared to traditional DSP-based optics .

• Reduced Latency: Fewer digital processing stages mean faster signal transmission, which is critical for AI/ML clusters and GPU fabrics where synchronization is essential .

• Cost Efficiency: DSP chips are expensive, accounting for 20%–40% of the module's bill of materials. Removing them lowers overall module cost .

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LPO (Linear Pluggable Optics) transceivers lack full retiming (DSP) circuitry that is common in all prior generations of

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