Optical Module Co-package Optics



Overview

Co-Packaged Optics (CPO) is a technology and design approach where optical components, such as lasers and photodetectors, are integrated alongside electrical components, like Application-Specific Integrated Circuits (ASICs), within the same package. This integration significantly reduces the. OFC 2025 made one thing clear: The transition to Co-Packaged Optics (CPO) switches in data centres is inevitable, driven primarily by the power savings they offer. From Jensen Huang showcasing CPO switches at GTC 2025 to a wide range of vendors demonstrating optical engines integrated inside ASIC. While copper cabling still offers cost and reliability advantages for short-distance connections, it faces the dual challenges of speed bottlenecks and cabling complexity in high-bandwidth, long-distance, and high-energy-efficiency scenarios. This article provides a comprehensive overview of CPO optical modules, exploring their technology, benefits, challenges, and the pivotal role they play in future data centers. Co-packaged optics (CPO) is an approach that aims to address growing challenges around bandwidth density, communication latency, copper reach, and power efficiency in today's data-hungry networks by bringing key elements needed for communication closer together — namely optics and electronics.

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