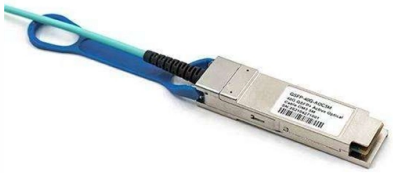
40GE optical module uses optical fiber



Overview

A 40G QSFP+ optical transceiver is a compact, hot-pluggable module that combines four 10G lanes into one 40Gbps Ethernet interface.

Key Takeaways

Yes, 40GE optical modules use optical fiber, supporting both multimode and single-mode fibers depending on the module type and distance requirements. Fiber Types and Distances40GE optical modules, such as QSFP+ transceivers, operate over multimode fiber (MMF) for short distances and single-mode fiber (SMF) for longer distances. For example: Short-range (SR) modules like Cisco 40GBASE-SR4 use laser-optimized OM3, OM4, or OM5 multimode fibers with link lengths up to 100–150 meters over 12-fiber parallel cables with MPO/MTP connectors.

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R and CSR4 modules allow reuse of existing 10G duplex MMF infrastructure, supporting distances of 300–440 meters over OM3/OM4/OM5 fibers. Long-range (LR/LX4) modules use single-mode fiber with duplex LC connectors, supporting distances from 2 km up to tens of kilometers depending on the module and wavelength. Connector Types40GE optical modules use different connector types based on fiber type: MPO/MTP connectors for parallel multimode fiber in SR modules.

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C duplex connectors for single-mode fiber in LR/LX4 modules and some CSR modules.

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Channel Architecture

Many 40GE modules bundle four independent 10Gbps channels into a single 40Gbps link. This allows high-density connections in data centers and supports multiple standards such as Ethernet, Fibre Channel, and InfiniBand.

Summary

In practice, all 40GE optical modules rely on optical fiber to transmit data. The choice between multimode and single-mode fiber depends on the required link distance and the specific module type. Short-range connections typically use multimode fiber, while long-range connections use single-mode fiber, with appropriate connectors and wavelengths for each application.

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