SDH optical modules and Ethernet optical modules



Overview

SONET SDH SFP: Overview, Standard, and ApplicationsAlthough SONET SDH SFP modules and Ethernet SFP modules may look identical externally, they are not inte.

Key Takeaways

SDH optical modules are designed for synchronous transport networks, while Ethernet optical modules are optimized for packet-based Ethernet networks, each supporting different line rates, framing, and applications.

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H Optical ModulesSDH (Synchronous Digital Hierarchy) optical modules are specialized transceivers used in telecom equipment to transmit SDH signals over fiber networks. They convert electrical signals into optical signals and vice versa, supporting standardized line rates such as STM-1, STM-4, and STM-16, which correspond to OC-3, OC-12, and OC-48 in SONET terminology. Key characteristics include: Synchronous transmission: SDH modules maintain precise timing for predictable bandwidth allocation.

Applications: Installed in routers, multiplexers, add-drop multiplexers, and carrier-grade switches for telecom transport networks. Fiber type and wavelength: Typically operate over single-mode fiber with wavelengths like 1310nm or 1550nm depending on distance. Form factor: Often SFP (Small Form-factor Pluggable) modules, hot-swappable for easy maintenance.

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Advanced features: Some SDH SFPs, like Cisco Smart SFPs, can encapsulate SDH traffic over Ethernet networks using SAToP or CES protocols, enabling integration with packet-switched networks.

Ethernet Optical Modules

Ethernet optical modules are transceivers designed for packet-based Ethernet networks, supporting speeds from Fast Ethernet (100 Mbps) to 400 GbE and beyond. They are widely used in enterprise, data center, and metro networks. Key features include: Packet-based transmission: Optimized for Ethernet frames rather than synchronous time slots.

Line rates: Support 100M, 1G, 10G, 25G, 50G, 100G, 200G, and 400G Ethernet standards. Flexibility: Can operate over single-mode or multimode fiber, and some BiDi modules allow bidirectional communication over a single fiber. Applications: Used in switches, routers, and data center interconnects for high-speed packet transport.

Integration with SDH: Advanced modules can convert SDH/SONET traffic into Ethernet packets for hybrid networks, enabling legacy SDH networks to interface with modern Ethernet infrastructure. Key DifferencesFeatureSDH Optical ModulesEthernet Optical ModulesTransmission typeSynchronous, time-division multiplexedPacket-based, asynchronousSupported line ratesSTM-1, STM-4, STM-16 (OC-3, OC-12, OC-48)100M, 1G, 10G, 25G, 50G, 100G, 200G, 400GPrimary useTelecom transport networksEnterprise, data center, metro networksFiber typeMostly single-modeSingle-mode or multimodeIntegrationCan be encapsulated over Ethernet via SAToP/CESNative Ethernet transport, can carry SDH via conversion modulesForm factorSFP, SFP+, sometimes modular multiplexersSFP, SFP+, QSFP, BiDi, multi-rate SFPConclusionSDH optical modules are essential for legacy and carrier-grade synchronous networks, providing precise timing and predictable bandwidth, while Ethernet optical modules are optimized for high-speed, packet-based networks with flexible deployment options.

Modern networking often requires hybrid solutions where SDH traffic is transported over Ethernet using specialized SFPs, enabling seamless integration between legacy telecom infrastructure and contemporary Ethernet-based networks.

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Synchronous optical networking

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Transceiver module

Delta Electronics Optical Transceiver Module OPT-155Bxxxxxx Specification Sheet (7 pages) 155mbps 1x9 sc duplex optical transceiver module for fast ethernet, atm, sonet/oc-3, sdh/stm-1

40G QSFP+ Optical Transceivers Complete Guide | Fibrecross

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