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Latest Trends in Data Center Optics

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World's Largest Supplier of Fiber Optic Components and Subsystems

- **Optics industry leader with $1B+ in annual revenue**
- **Founded in 1988**
- **IPO in 1999 (NASDAQ: FNSR)**
- **14,000 employees**
- **Best-in-class broad product line**
- **Vertically integrated with low cost manufacturing**
- **Significant focus on R&D and capacity expansion**
- **Experienced management team**
- **1300+ Issued U.S. patents**

Broad Product Portfolio and Customer Base

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PRODUCTS

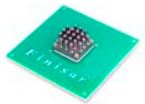

SFP


SFP+


QSFP/QSFP28


CFP2/ CFP4


CFP


Optical Engine (BOA)


CXP


Active Optical Cables


XFP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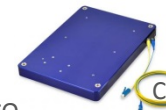
Coherent Transponder


ROADM line card


WSS


WDM Passives


Amplifiers


High speed components


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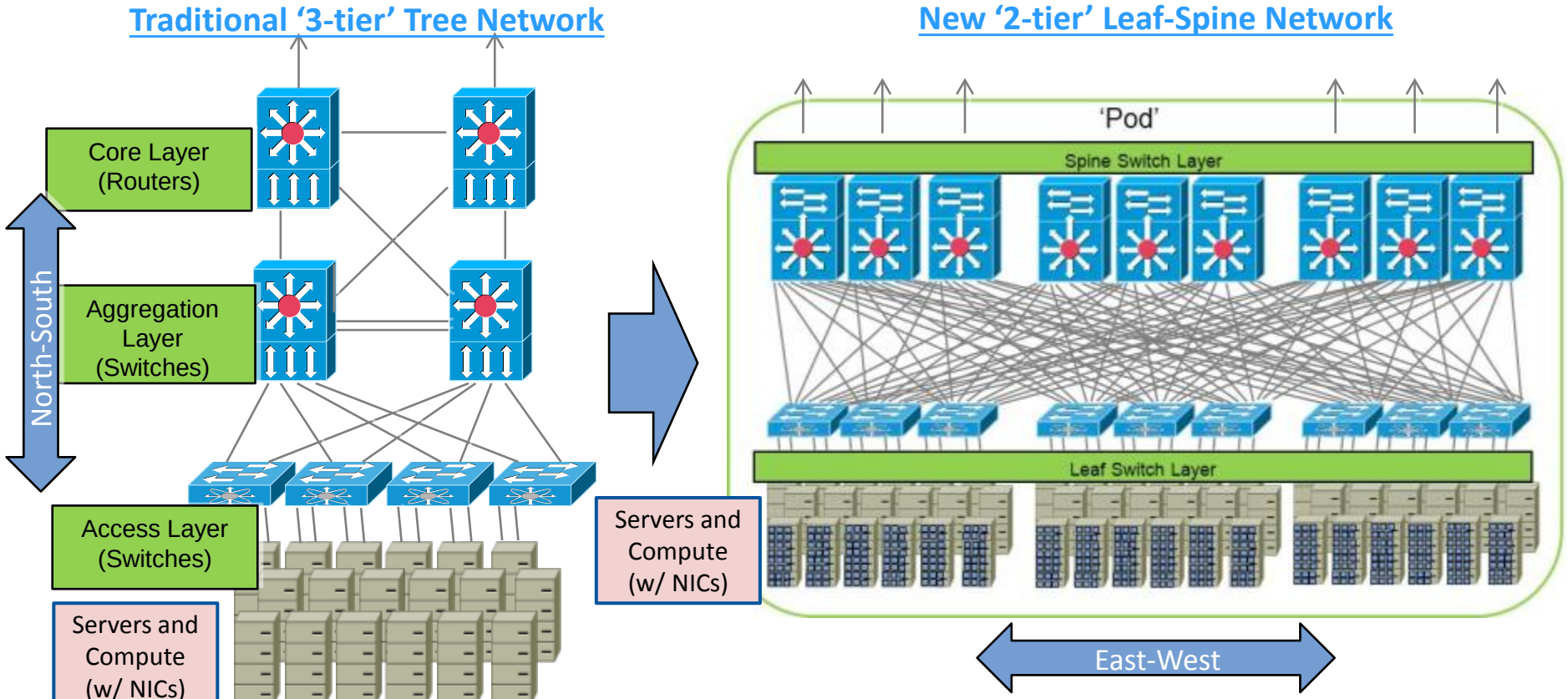
New Architectures in Hyperscale Data Centers

- Most data center networks have been architected on a 3-tier topology
- Cloud data center networks are migrating from traditional 3-tier to flattened 2-tier topology
  - Hyperscale Data Centers becoming larger, more modular, more homogenous
  - Workloads spread across 10s, 100s, sometimes 1000s of VMs and hosts
  - Higher degree of east-west traffic across network (server to server)



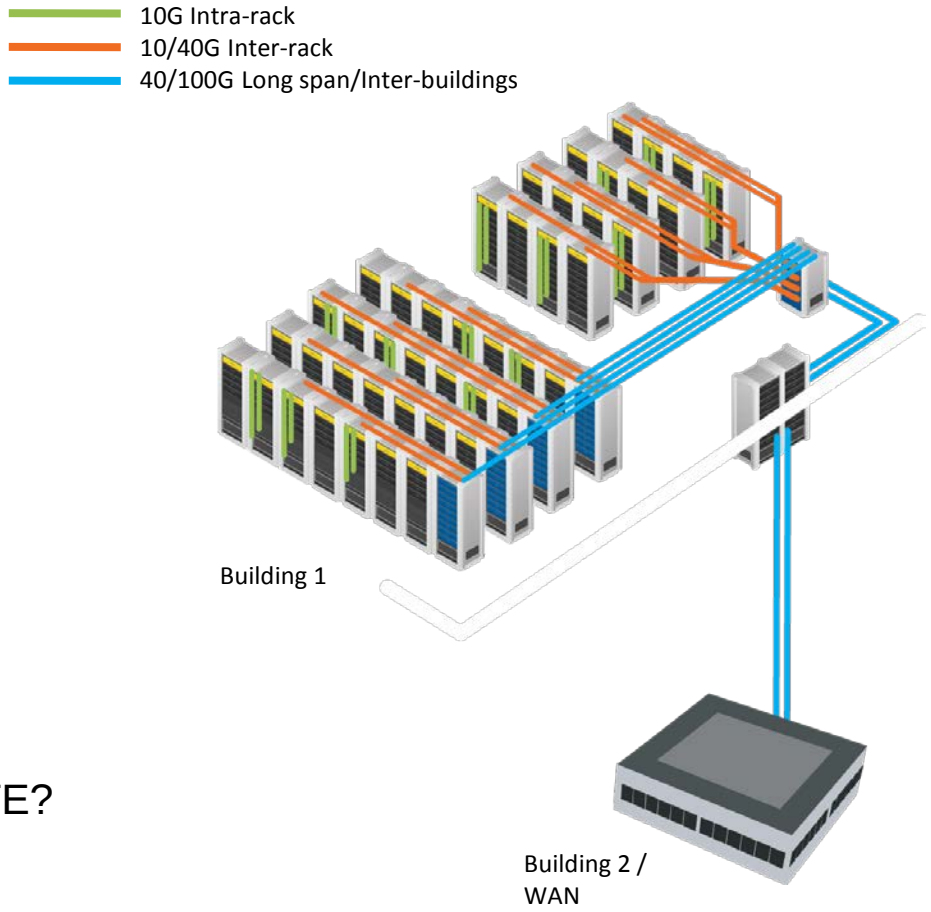
Data Center Connections are Evolving

- Due to the significant increase in bandwidth demand, Data Center connections are moving from 1G/10G, to 25G/40G/100G

- Within the Data Center Rack
  - **10GE** being deployed now
  - 25GE to be deployed soon
  - 50GE to the server will likely follow

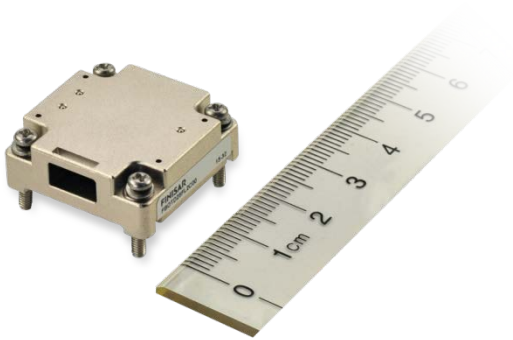
- Between Data Center Racks
  - **40GE** being deployed now
  - 100GE to be deployed soon
  - What follows? 200GE or 400GE?

- Long Spans/DCI & WAN
  - **100GE** being deployed now
  - 400GE being standardized now
  - What follows? 800GE, 1TE or 1.6TE?



Optical Trends in the Data Center Market

- Significant increase in 100G and 25G port density
  - Smaller form factors, e.g., QSFP28 modules
  - 100G power dissipation <3.5W
  - Cost-effective Active Optical Cables
  - On-board optics for very high port density

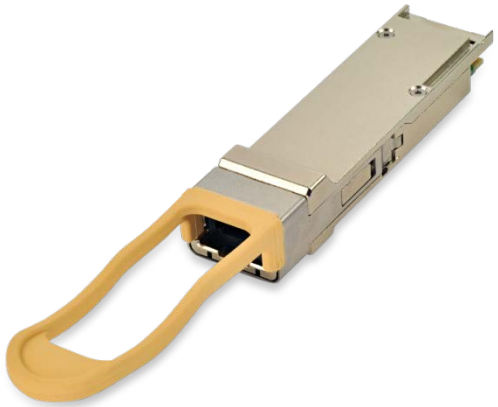


100G Optical Module Form Factor Evolution

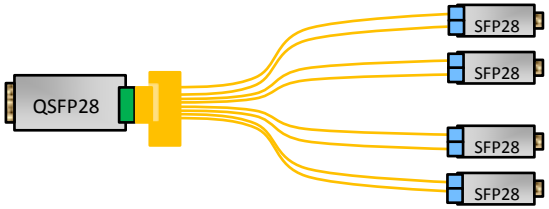
CFP	CFP2	CFP4	QSFP28
4 ports/row	8-10 ports/row	16-18 ports/row	18-20 ports/row
16-24W	8W	5W	3.5W

Deployments today → *time*

100G QSFP28 Optical Module



4x25G Breakout



- **100GE optical transceivers**
  - QSFP28 is standardized by SFF-8665 (SFF Committee)
  - It has a 4-lane, retimed 25G I/O electrical interface (CAUI-4)
  - Supports up to 3.5W power dissipation with standard cooling
  - Also used for 4x 25GE applications
- **100GE active optical cables (no optical connector)**

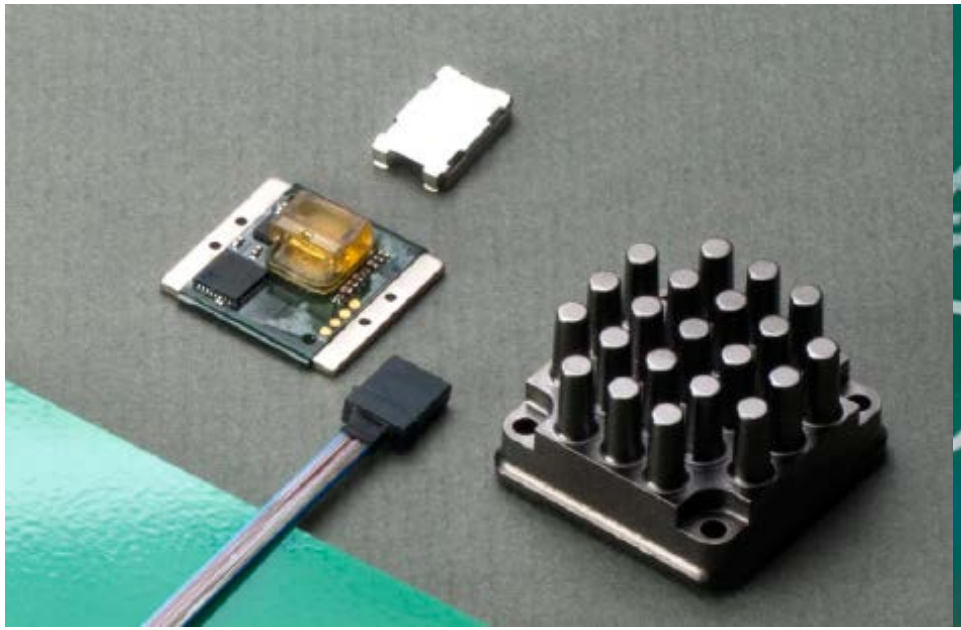
QSFP28 is the 100GE module form factor of choice for new data center switches

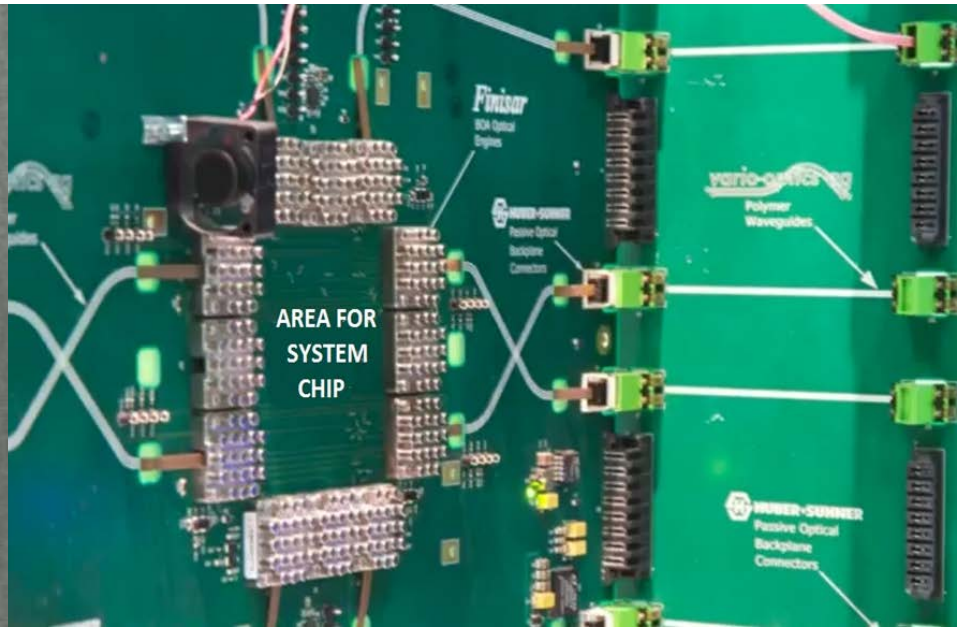
25G SFP28 Optical Module

- **25GE optical transceivers**
  - SFP28 is standardized by the SFF Committee
  - It has a 1-lane, retimed 25G I/O electrical interface
  - Supports up to 1W power dissipation with standard cooling
  - Used for 25GE ports in server and switches
- **25GE active optical cables**

SFP28 is the 25GE module form factor of choice for new Servers / NICs

Board-Mounted Optical Assembly (BOA)





- These optics are not pluggable; they are mounted on the host PCB
- Used today on supercomputers and some routers and switches
- Very short host PCB traces enable low power dissipation
- Higher bandwidth density can be achieved by:
  - More channels: Up to 12+12 Tx/Rx, or 24Tx and 24Rx
  - Higher data rate per channel: 10G/ch and 25G/ch variants today, 50G/ch in the future

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40G Ethernet QSFP+ Modules

	Parallel (MPO)	Duplex (LC)
Multimode	SR4 • 100/150m eSR4 & 4xSR • 300/400m	A duplex multimode product is required to re-use the same fiber plant used for 10GE
Single Mode	4xLR • 10km 4xLR Lite • 2km	LR4 • 10km ER4 • 40km

Black = Standardized interfaces

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Impact of Latency on 25G/100G Ethernet Optical Links

- Various recent 25G and 100G Ethernet standards and MSAs require the use of **RS-FEC** (aka, “KR4 FEC”) on the host to increase overall link length.

- RS-FEC does not increase the total bit rate, but it introduces an additional ***latency of ~100ns*** in the link.
  - Some applications like HFT have little tolerance for latency.

Standard	Link Length with RS-FEC
IEEE 802.3bm 100GBASE-SR4	100m on OM4 MMF
IEEE P802.3by 25GBASE-SR	100m on OM4 MMF
100G CWDM4 MSA	2km on SMF
100G PSM4 MSA	500m on SMF

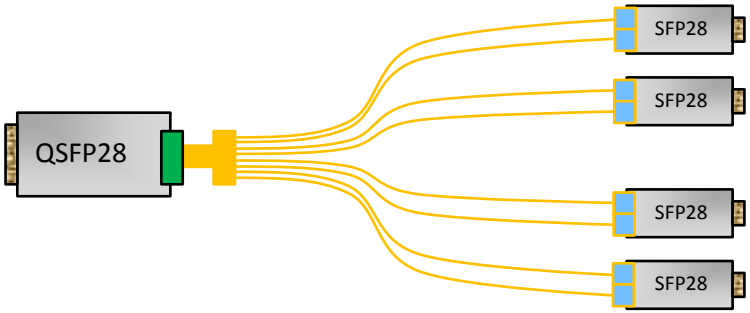
- The fiber propagation time of each bit over 100m of MMF is **~500ns**
  → The amount of additional latency introduced by RS-FEC may be significant for the overall performance of short links <100 meters (see next page).

- But the fiber propagation time of each bit over 500m of SMF is **~2500ns**
  → The amount of latency introduced by RS-FEC is **not** significant for the overall performance of links >500 meters.

Low-Latency QSFP28 SR4 and SFP28 SR without FEC

- Support of error-free 25G/100G Ethernet links ***without FEC***
  - Lower latency
  - Lower host power dissipation

- Standard QSFP28 and SFP28 form factors
- Supports 4:1 fan-out configuration
- Up to 30 meters on OM3 / 40 meters on OM4 MMF



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Why Duplex Multimode Fiber Matters

- **For Brownfield Applications:**
  - Data centers today are architected around 10G Ethernet
  - Primarily focused on 10GBASE-SR using **duplex MMF (LC)**

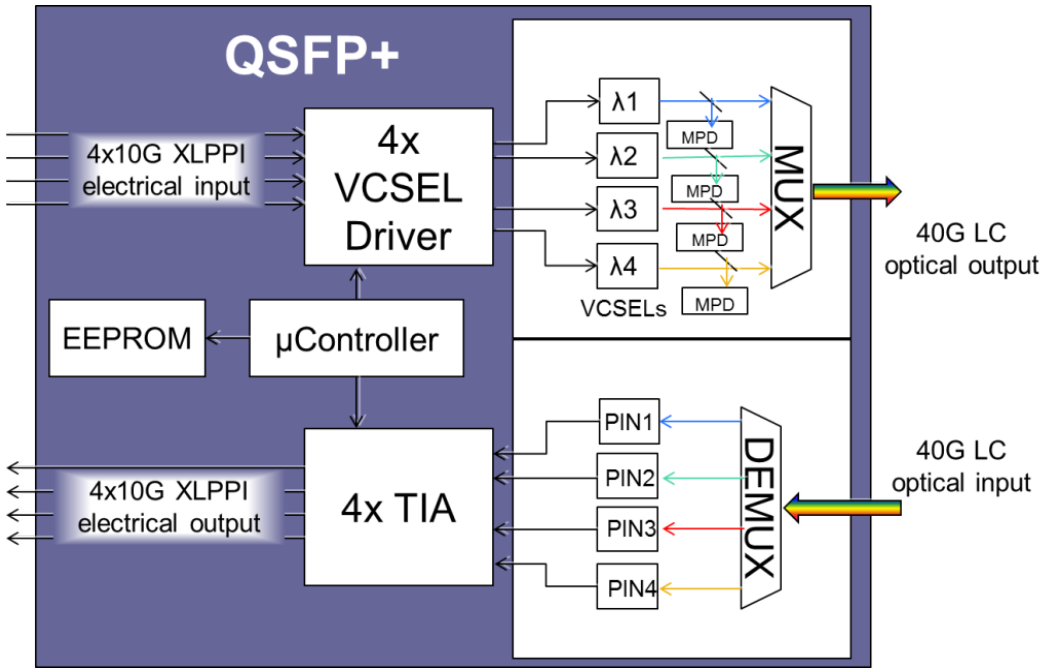
- Data center operators are migrating from 10G to 40G or 100G, but want to maintain their existing fiber infrastructure.
  - SR4 requires ribbon multimode fiber with an MPO connector.
    - ***Not provided by pre-installed fiber plant.***
  - LR4 requires single mode fiber.
    - ***Not provided by pre-installed fiber plant.***

Data centers want to upgrade from 10G to 40G and 100G *without touching the duplex MMF fiber infrastructure*

Introducing Shortwave WDM (SWDM)

- SWDM uses 4 different wavelengths in the 850nm region, where MMF is optimized, which are optically multiplexed inside the transceiver.
- SWDM enables the transmission of 40G (4x10G) and 100G (4x25G) over existing duplex multimode fiber, using LC connectors.

Block diagram of a 40G SWDM QSFP+ Transceiver



SWDM Alliance

- Industry group to promote SWDM technology for duplex MMF in data centers.
- Finisar is a founding member of the SWDM Alliance.
- More information at www.swdm.org

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	Parallel (MPO)	Duplex (LC)
Multimode	SR4 • 100/150m eSR4 & 4xSR • 300/400m	Bi-directional • Limited use SWDM4 • Being tested LM4 • 140/160m/1km
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400GE Standardization

- The 400GE Standard is already being defined by IEEE P802.3bs.

Interface	Link Distance	Media type	Technology
400GBASE-SR16	100 m	32f Parallel MMF	16x25G NRZ Parallel
400GBASE-DR4	500 m	8f Parallel SMF	4x100G PAM4 Parallel
400GBASE-FR8	2 km	(2f) Duplex SMF	8x50G PAM4 LAN-WDM
400GBASE-LR8	10 km	(2f) Duplex SMF	8x50G PAM4 LAN-WDM

  - Electrical I/O: CDAUI-8 8x50G PAM4
    CDAUI-16 16x25G NRZ
  - 400GE Standard is expected to be ratified in December 2017

- Optics suppliers are already working on components to support these new rates.
  - Based on VCSELs, InP DFB laser and Si Photonics technologies
  - ICs and test platforms that support PAM4 encoding

50G, 200G and Next-Gen 100G Ethernet Standardization

- 200GE PMD objectives being standardized by IEEE 802.3bs:

Interface	Link Distance	Media type	Technology
200GBASE-SR4	100 m	8f Parallel MMF	4x50G PAM4 850nm
200GBASE-DR4	500 m	8f Parallel SMF	4x50G PAM4 1300nm window
200GBASE-FR4	2 km	(2f) Duplex SMF	4x50G PAM4 CWDM
200GBASE-LR4	10 km	(2f) Duplex SMF	4x50G PAM4 LAN-WDM

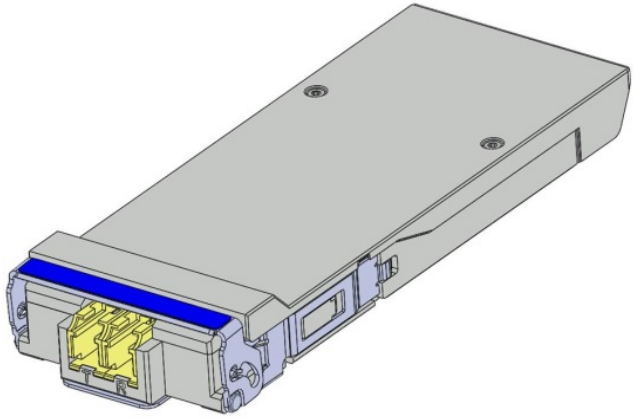
- 50GE PMD objectives being standardized by IEEE 802.3cd:

Interface	Link Distance	Media type	Technology
50GBASE-SR	100 m	(2f) Duplex MMF	50G PAM4 850nm
50GBASE-FR	2 km	(2f) Duplex SMF	50G PAM4 1300nm window
50GBASE-LR	10 km	(2f) Duplex SMF	50G PAM4 1300nm window

- Next-Gen 100GE PMD objectives being standardized by IEEE 802.3cd:

Interface	Link Distance	Media type	Technology
100GBASE-SR2	100 m	MMF	2x50G PAM4
100GBASE-FRx	2 km	(2f) Duplex SMF	TBD
100GBASE-LRx	10 km	(2f) Duplex SMF	TBD

400GE CFP8 Optical Transceiver Module

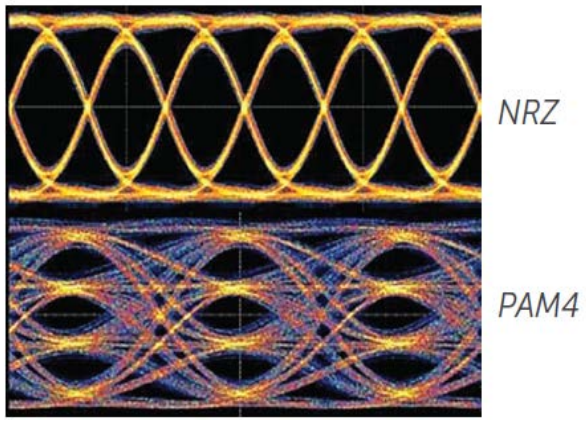


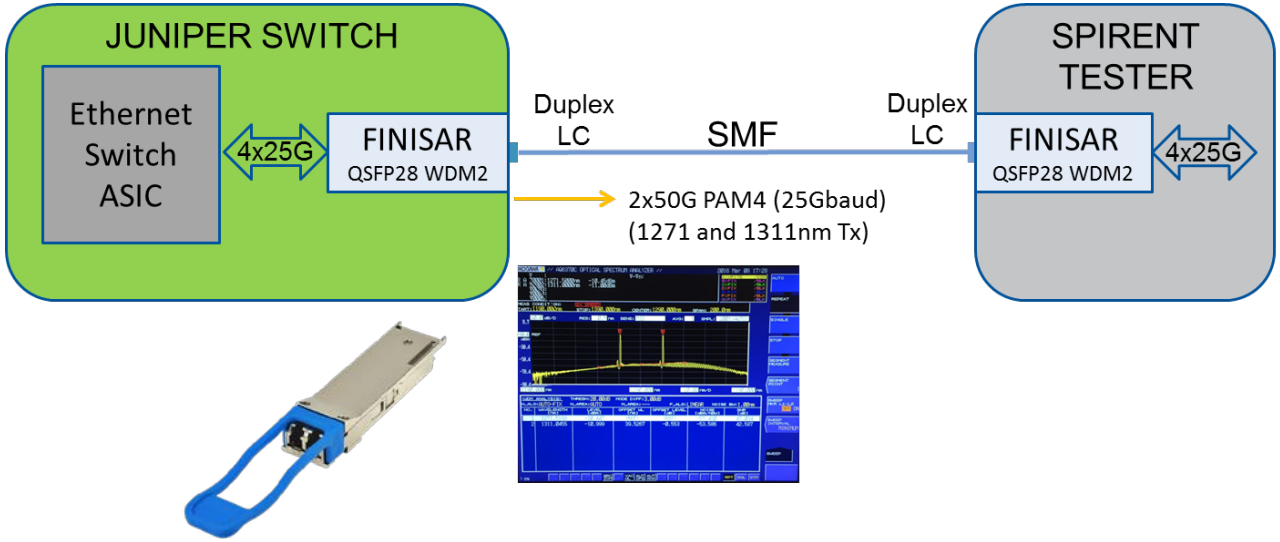
- **CFP8** is the *first-generation* 400GE form factor.
- Module dimensions are **slightly smaller than CFP2**.
- Supports standard IEEE 400G **multimode and single mode** interfaces.
- Supports either **CDAUI-16** (16x25G) or **CDAUI-8** (8x50G) electrical I/O.
- It is being standardized by the **CFP MSA.**

OFC 2016: 2x50G PAM4 100G Interoperability Demo

- Error-free **100G link** connecting Juniper Switch with Spirent Tester
- Using Finisar **QSFP28** prototype modules with **2x50G PAM4 technology**
- Demonstrates building blocks for future Nx50G PAM4 modules: 1x50G, 100G (2x50G), 200G (4x50G) and 400G (8x50G)

- DML technology transmitting **CWDM** wavelengths to enable duplex SMF
- **1271nm and 1311nm** for optimal performance
- Baseline configuration for **100G 'WDM2' (FR2/LR2)**





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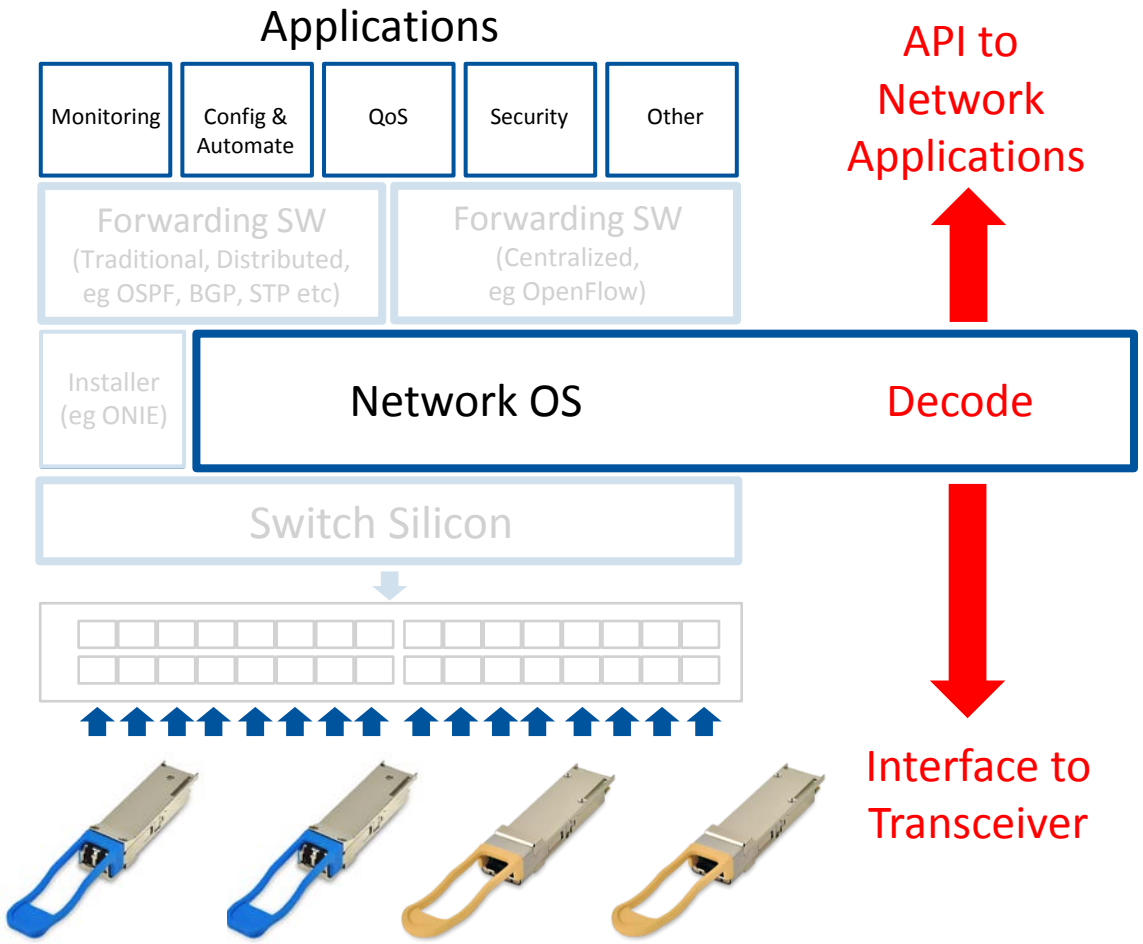
Open Optical Monitoring and Control



Finisar is working on offering open APIs to enable broader use of digital diagnostics:

- Transceiver information
- Tx/Rx power
- Module temperature

As well as enable new features:

- Eye and BER monitoring
- Connectivity diagnostics
- And more

Open Optical Monitoring is now an OCP Project

Optical Layer Monitoring in Open Source

FINISAR sponsoring **TWO** initiatives to promote better access to optical layer diagnostic information in network SW stacks:

Open Optical Monitoring:

- Open Compute (OCP) Networking Project
- Provides access to monitors and controls inside optical modules and active cables
- Intuitive Python API for applications and agents
- Runs on any Linux-based NOS
- Access v0.5 spec and beta code at:

http://www.opencompute.org/wiki/Networking/SpecsAndDesigns

https://github.com/orgs/ocpnetworking-wip/oom

sFlow:

- sFlow.org project
- Extends sFlow to report optical module management information from SFP/QSFP optical modules
- A host sFlow agent (sflow.net) has been running without issue for over a month on three production Cumulus Linux switches in the SFMIX network
- Draft implementation:

http://sflow.org/draft_sflow_optics.txt

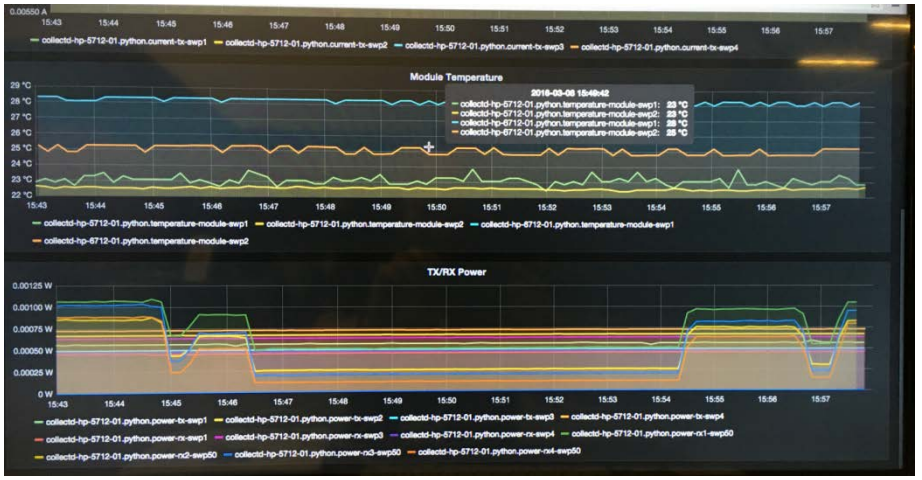
- Source code using the Linux ethtool API is available on github:

https://github.com/sflow/host-sflow/blob/master/src/Linux/readNioCounters.c#L291-L613

Intuitive APIs to Access Pluggable Modules

- Create an **inventory** of all ports SFP+ and QSFP+…
- Extract **Serial ID** information from each module…
- Access **Digital Diagnostic Monitoring** information from each module
- Access **new and value-added** functionality made available by module vendors… Example: Finisar Connectivity Diagnostics

  - Connectivity Mapping
  - Module Health Indication
  - Link Troubleshooting
  - Link Performance Indication



Example: Optical health metrics – in 4 lines of Python, 'out of the box'

```
from oom import *
for port in oom_get_portlist():
        # enumerate the ports on the switch
    status = oom_get_memory(port, 'DOM')
        # DOM = {TX, Rx}Power, temp, bias...
    display_module_status(port, status)
        # your display format here
```

Summary

- Large growth in web content and applications is driving:
  - Growth in bandwidth and changes in data center architectures
  - Subsequent growth in number of optical links
  - Large increase in bit rate and low-power requirements
- 25G, 40G and 100G optics support this growth today with:
  - Smaller module form factors for higher port density
  - Lower power consumption and cost per bit
  - Increased performance to leverage existing fiber infrastructure
- New Ethernet optics are being standardized and under development
  - 50G, 200G, 400G
- Open interfaces are coming to the optical layer.
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