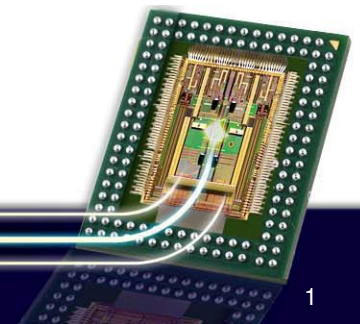


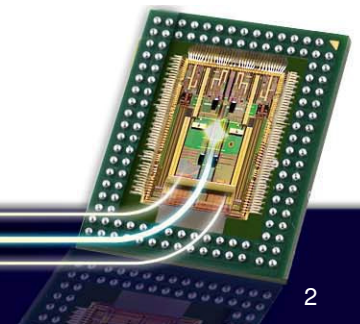
# Cmos Photonics based optical PMD for SAS 2.1

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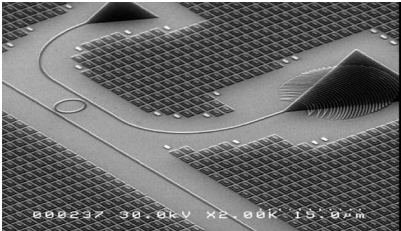
# What is cmos photonics?

- Cmos photonics is the use of standard cmos processes to perform optical functions
  - Modulators
  - Attenuators
  - Waveguides
  - Splitters
  - E/O conversion (Luxtera does not do this)
  - O/E conversion
  - Couplers

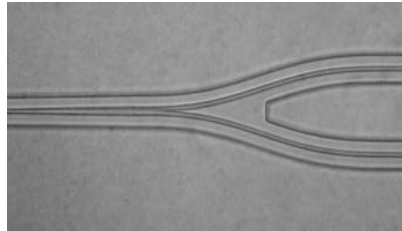


# Luxtera's CMOS Photonics Technology

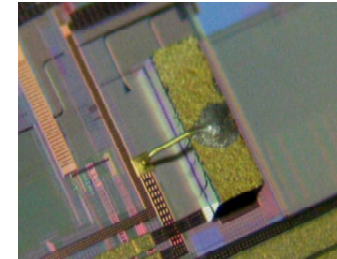
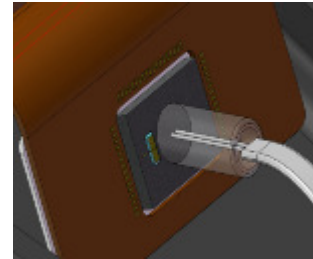
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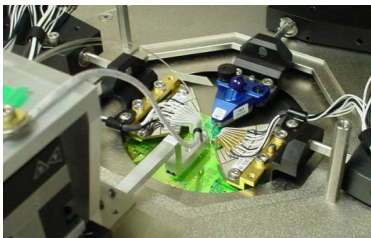
**Waveguides**



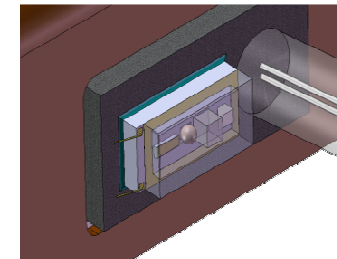
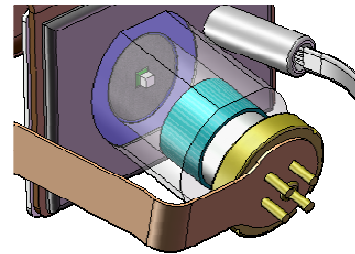
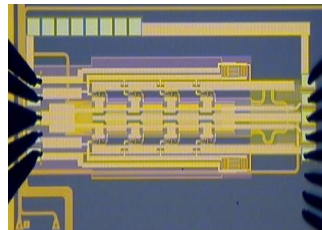
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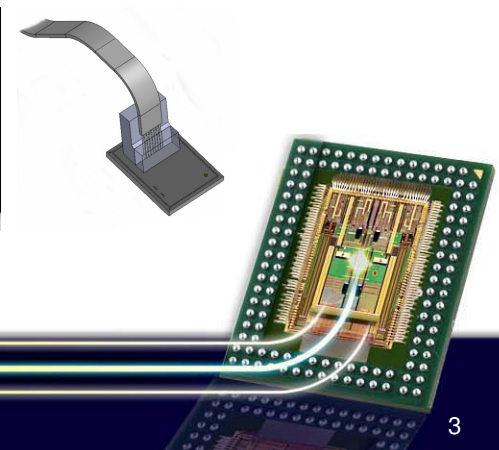
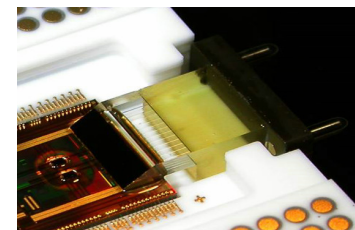
**Optical/Electrical  
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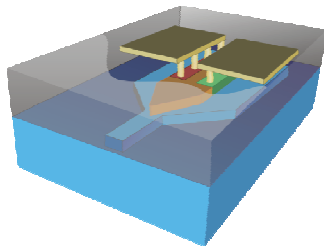
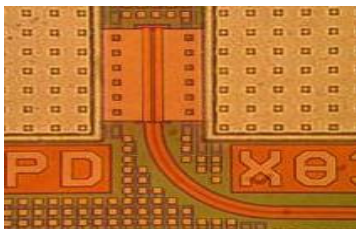
**MZ Modulator**



**Fiber Attach**



**Integrated Photo-Detector**



# EPIC – Electro-Photonic Integrated Circuit

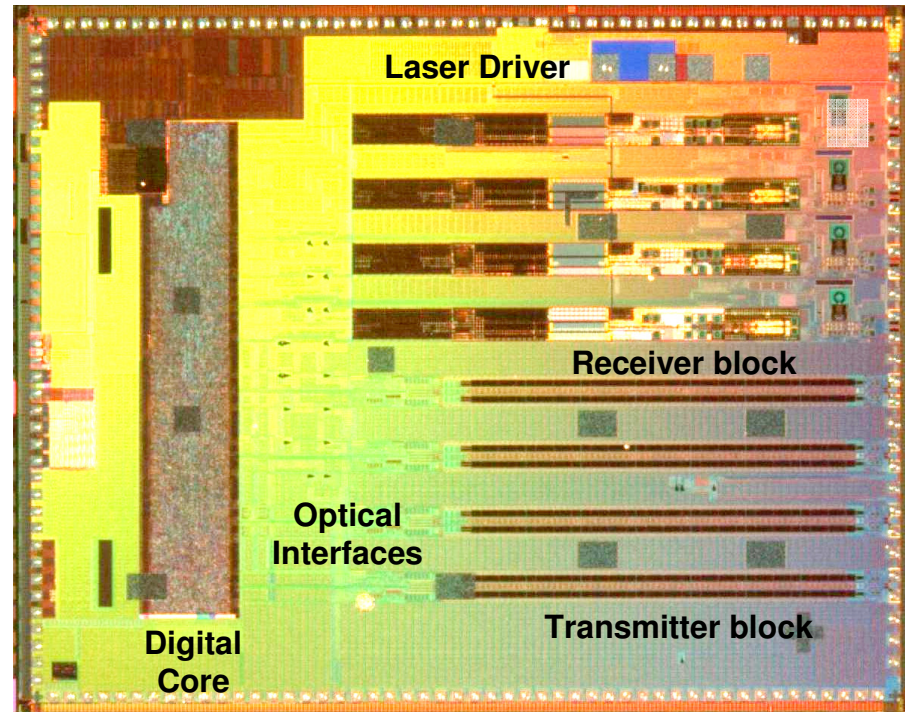
## Unprecedented Opto/Electronic CMOS Integration

### ▶ Optics

- Fiber coupled directly to the die
- Integrated wave guides
- Integrated modulators
- Integrated photo-detectors

### ▶ Analog and Digital Electronics

- Integrated modulator driver
- Integrated amplifiers and CDRs
- Integrated digital functions



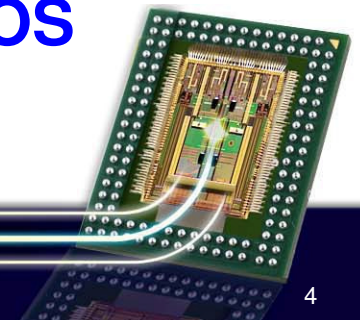
4x10 Gb/s  
Electrical



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**Monolithically integrated in mainstream SOI CMOS**



# How we build a 40G Transceiver in CMOS

Single Laser Powers 4 Lanes

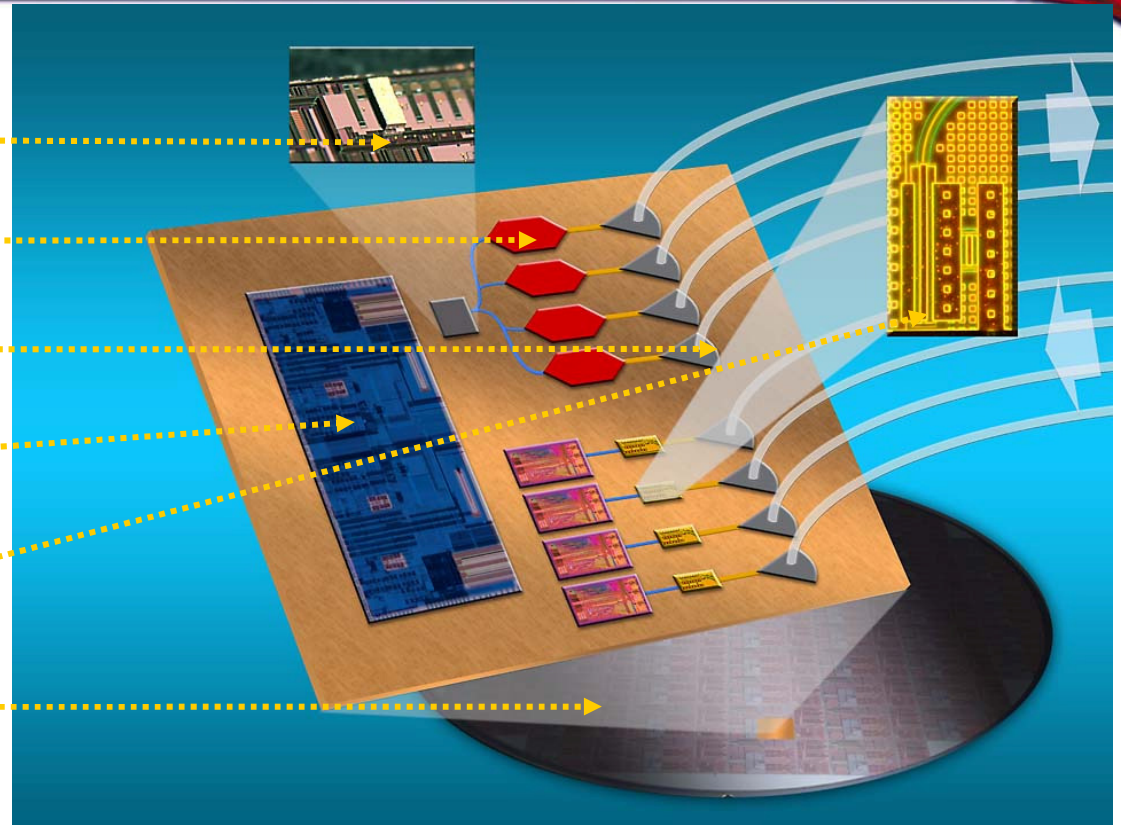
On-Die Modulators

Fiber-to-the-Chip Coupling

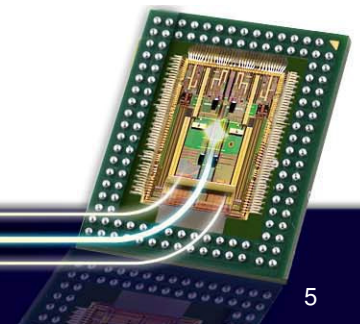
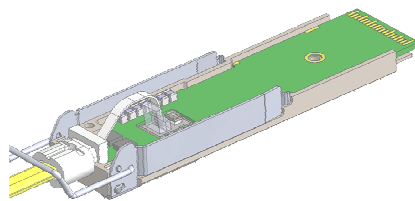
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Integrated Photo-Detectors

Wafer Scale Testability



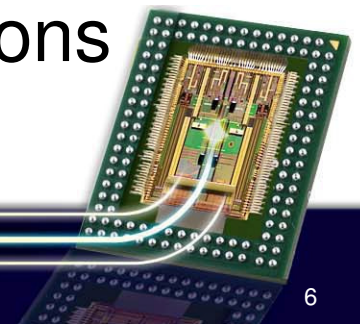
Packaged in MSA Compatible Connectors

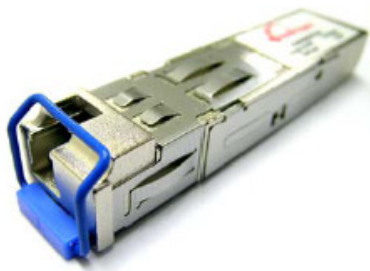
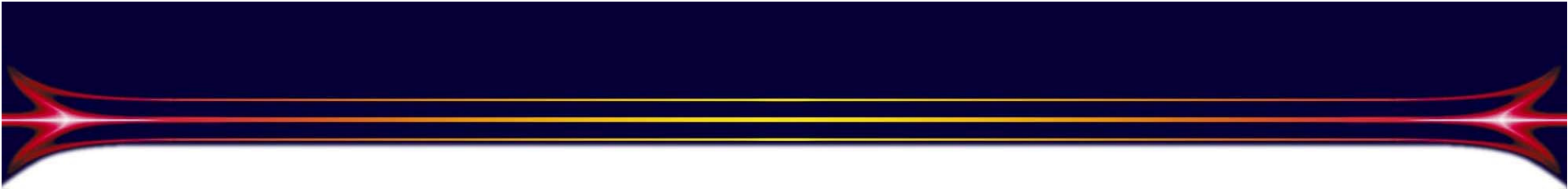


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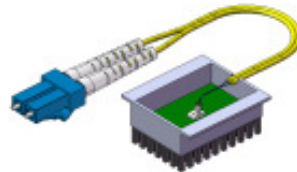
# How would cmos photonics be implemented for SAS?

- Packaged in industry standard pluggable modules (Both connectorized modules and active cables can be supported)
  - QSFP+
  - SFP+
  - SFF-8644
  - Future smaller form factors
  - Chip on motherboard
- Note: cmos photonics reduces required module size as compared to VCSEL based solutions

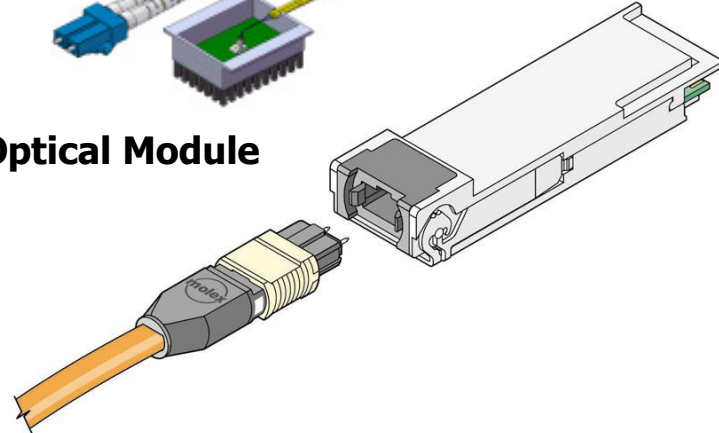




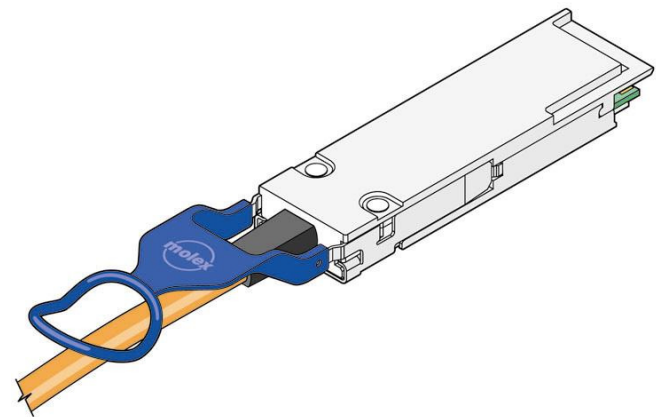
**SFP+ Pluggable Optical Module**



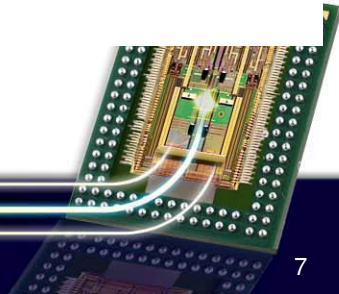
**Chip on board Optical Module**



**QSFP+ Pluggable Optical Module**

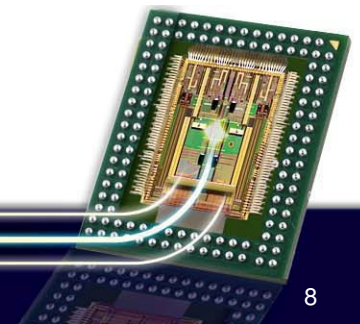


**QSFP+ Active Optical Cable**



# What needs to be done?

- Add support for QSFP+, SFP+ and SFF-8092 to the SAS specification
  - No changes to SAS electrical/jitter specs.
- Add optical specs
- Modify Protocol timeouts if needed to accommodate longer distances



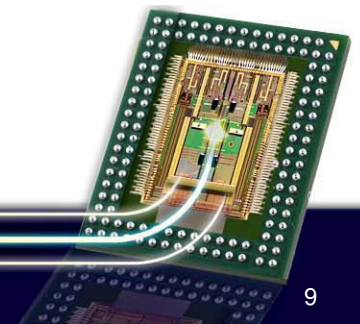


# Will support for cmos photonics affect other PMD types?

NO:

All modules would be specified to support:

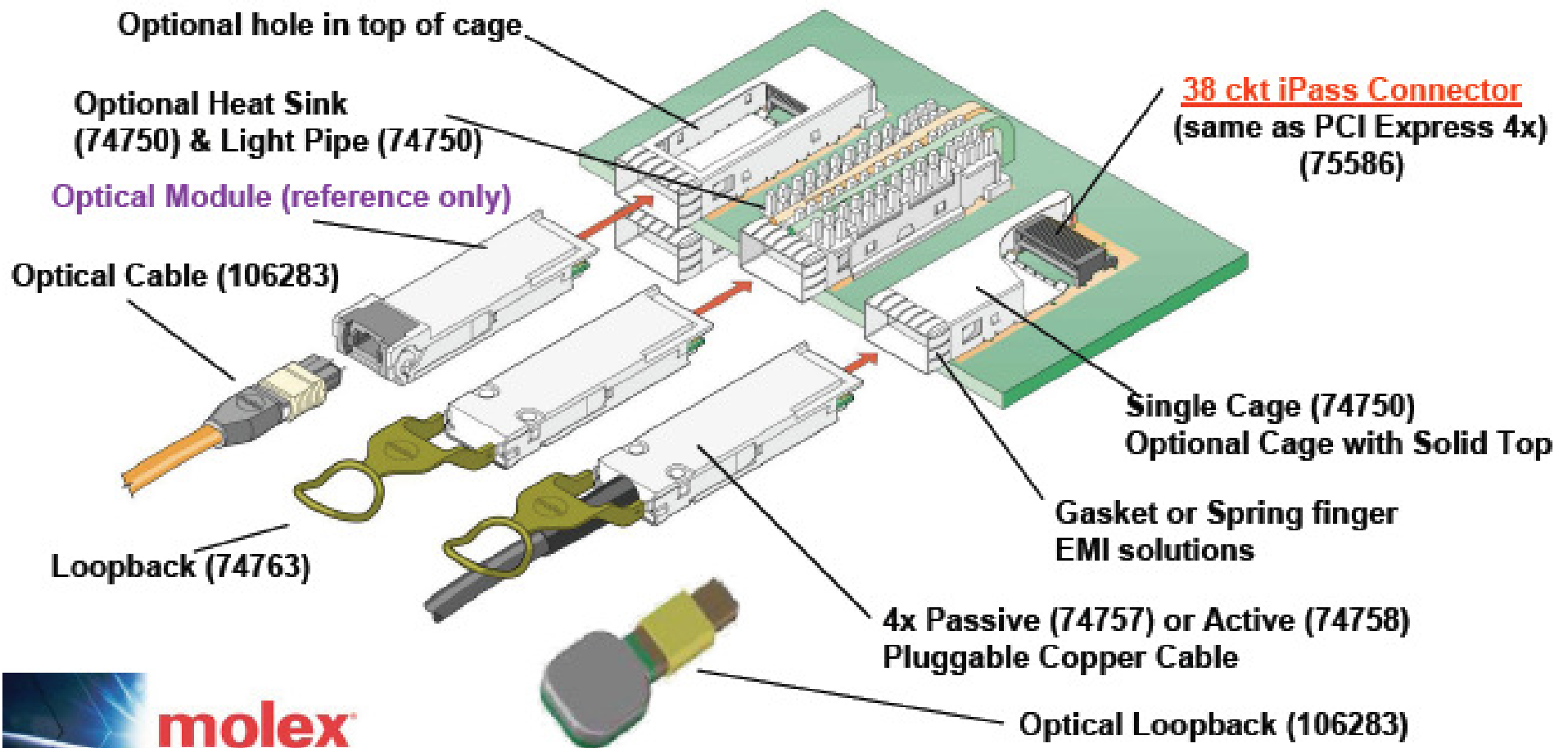
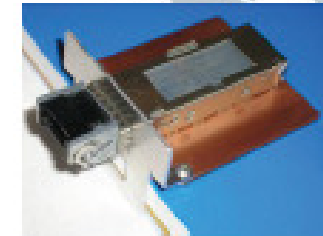
- Passive copper
- Active copper
- Active optical
- VCSEL based optical
- Cmos photonics based optical



# QSFP – Quad Small Form-factor Pluggable

The QSFP MSA was released 12/4/2006

- The MSA defines an (8) Differential Pair / 4x Pluggable Copper & Optical Module
- 4 lanes @ up to 10 Gbps each per connector
- Uses only 30% more PCB space over SFP to get 10x data density



# Estimated distances supported

	Direct attach copper	Active copper	Active optical	MM optical	SM Optical LC-I	SM optical LC-L
FC-PI-4 delta	7m	20m	.1-2km	50-100m	1.4km.	10km
FC-PI-4 Beta	5m	20m	.1-2km	NA	NA	NA
8431	7m	20m	.1-2km			10km
XFI	1m	20m	.1-2km			
IB QDR	3m	20m	.1-2km			
IB DDR	10m	20m	.1-2km			
IB SDR	17m	20m	.1-2km			
6G SAS	10m	20m	.1-2km	>50	2km	10km?
12G SAS	10m	20m	.1-2km	50m	2km	10km?

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