

QSFP28 Series



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- Up to 27.952 Gbps data rate per channel
- Up to 150 m links on OM3 multi-mode fiber
- 850 nm VCSEL technology
- Electrically hot-pluggable
- Case operating temperature range: 0 °C to +70 °C
- Power dissipation < 2.5 W per cable end
- RoHS Compliant

ASCENT 100G QSFP28 Active Optical Cable is a highperformance integrated cable suitable for high-speed core network and data center applications.

These optical cables are suitable for short-distance QSFP28 to QSFP28 data transmission and are a flexible way to connect switches within racks and across adjacent racks. Active optical cables are much thinner and lighter than copper cables, allowing for simpler installation.

The light weight and thin fiber cable also enable efficient system airflow at the headend. They are protected from environmental pollutants, and have no electromagnetic interference (EMI) issues, which can be critical in highdensity racks.

Compliant with QSFP28 MSA standards, these active optical cables offer a low-cost solution for data centers and high-performance computing, and can be seamlessly integrated with different fiber types.



Key Features -

- Full duplex 4 channel 850 nm parallel active optical cable
- Up to 27.952 Gbps data rate per channel
- Maximum link length of 150 m links on OM3 multi-mode fiber
- High reliability 850 nm VCSEL technology
- Electrically hot-pluggable
- Support Digital Diagnostics Monitoring (DDM)
- Case operating temperature range: 0 °C to +70 °C
- Power dissipation < 2.5 W per cable end
- Compliant to QSFP28 MSA
- RoHS Compliant

Outline Dimensions



Pin Assignment -



Top Side

Bottom Side

Pin out of Connector Block on Host Board

Pin	Symbol	Name/Description	Notes
1	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	1
2	Tx2n	Transmitter Inverted Data Input	
3	Tx2p	Transmitter Non-Inverted Data output	
4	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	1
5	Tx4n	Transmitter Inverted Data Input	
6	Tx4p	Transmitter Non-Inverted Data output	
7	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	1
8	ModSelL	Module Select	
9	ResetL	Module Reset	
10	VccRx	3.3V Power Supply Receiver	2
11	SCL	2-Wire serial Interface Clock	
12	SDA	2-Wire serial Interface Data	
13	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	
14	Rx3p	Receiver Non-Inverted Data Output	
15	Rx3n	Receiver Inverted Data Output	
16	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	1
17	Rx1p	Receiver Non-Inverted Data Output	
18	Rx1n	Receiver Inverted Data Output	
19	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	1
20	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	1
21	Rx2n	Receiver Inverted Data Output	

22	Rx2p	Receiver Non-Inverted Data Output	
23	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	1
24	Rx4n	Receiver Inverted Data Output	1
25	Rx4p	Receiver Non-Inverted Data Output	
26	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	1
27	ModPrsl	Module Present	
28	IntL	Interrupt	
29	VccTx	3.3V power supply transmitter	2
30	Vcc1	3.3V power supply	2
31	LPMode	Low Power Mode, not connect	
32	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	1
33	Тх3р	Transmitter Non-Inverted Data Input	
34	Tx3n	Transmitter Inverted Data Output	
35	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	1
36	Tx1p	Transmitter Non-Inverted Data Input	
37	Tx1n	Transmitter Inverted Data Output	
38	GND	Transmitter Ground (Common with Receiver Ground)	1

Notes:

1. GND is the symbol for signal and supply (power) common for QSFP+ modules. All are common within the QSFP+ module and all module voltages are referenced to this potential unless otherwise noted. Connect these directly to the host board signal common ground plane.

2. VccRx, Vcc1 and VccTx are the receiving and transmission power suppliers and shall be applied concurrently. Recommended host board power supply filtering is shown below. Vcc Rx, Vcc1 and Vcc Tx may be internally connected within the QSFP28 transceiver module in any combination. The connector pins are each rated for a maximum current of 500mA.



Host – Transceiver Interface Block Diagram-



QSFP28 Module

Specifications -

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Notes
Storage Temperature	Ts	-40	-	85	°C	
Relative Humidity	RH	5	-	95	%	
Power Supply Voltage	VCC	-0.3	-	4	V	
Signal Input Voltage		Vcc-0.3	-	Vcc+0.3	V	
Recommended Operating Conditions						

Parameter	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Notes
Case Operating Temperature	Tcase	0	-	70	°C	Without air flow
Power Supply Voltage	VCC	3.14	3.3	3.46	V	
Power Supply Current	ICC	-		750	mA	Per cable end
Data Rate	BR		25.78125		Gbps	Each channel

General Product Characteristics

Parameter	Description	Notes
Module Form Factor	QSFP28	
Number of Lanes	4 Tx /Rx	
Maximum Aggregate Data Rate	111.8 Gb/s	
Maximum Data Rate per Lane	27.952 Gb/s	
Standard Cable Lengths	3 m, 5 m, 7 m, 10 m	Other lengths, please contact sales
Protocols Supported	Typical applications include Infini	band, Fiber Channel, 100G Ethernet
Electrical Interface and Pin-out	38-pin edge connector	Pin-out as defined by the QSFP28 MSA
Standard Optical Cable Type	Multimode ribbon fiber cable ass	embly, riser-rated
Maximum Power Consumption	2.5 W per end	
Management Interface	Serial, I2C-based, 400 kHz maximum frequency	As defined by the QSFP28 MSA

Note: 100G Ethernet &100GBASE-SR4 and ITU-T OTU4 has different register settings, not auto-negotiation

High-speed Electrical Characteristics per Lane

Parameter-Inputs	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Notes
Input Electrical sSecifications (per Lane)						
Differential Voltage pk-pk				900	mV	
Common Mode Noise RMS				17.5	mV	
Differential Termination Resistance Mismatch				10	%	
Differential Return Loss	SDD22					
Common Mode to Differential Conversion and	SDC22,	Per OIF	CEI-28G-V	/SR and	dB	
Differential to Common Mode Conversion	SCD22	CAUI-4 ı	requireme	ents	dB	
Common Mode Return Loss	SCC22				dB	
Transition Time, 20 to 80 %	Tr, Tf	10			ps	

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Common Mode Voltage	Vcm	-0.3	2.8	V
Eye Width at 1E-15 probability	EW15	0.46		UI
Eye Height at 1E-15 probability	EH15	94		mV
Output Electrical Specifications (per Lane)				
Differential Voltage pk-pk			900	mV
Common Mode Voltage	Vcm	-350	2850	mV
Common Mode Noise RMS			17.5	mV
Differential Termination Resistance Mismatch			10	%
Differential Return Loss	SDD22			dB
Common Mode to Differential Conversion and	SDC22,	Per OIF CEI-28G-VS	R and	dB
Differential to Common Mode Conversion	SCD22	CAUI-4 requiremen	ts	dB
Common Mode Return Loss	SCC22			dB
Output Rise and Fall time (20 % to 80 %)	tRH, tFH	9.5		ps
Vertical Eye Closure	VEC		5.5	dB
Eye Width at 1E-15 probability	EW15	0.57		UI

Ordering Information

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QSFP-100-AOC-001 QSFP-100-AOC-003 QSFP-100-AOC-005 QSFP-100-AOC-010

QSFP-100-AOC-015

Product Description

100G QSFP28 to QSFP28 Active Optical Cable 1M
100G QSFP28 to QSFP28 Active Optical Cable 3M
100G QSFP28 to QSFP28 Active Optical Cable 5M
100G QSFP28 to QSFP28 Active Optical Cable 10M
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