

Artificial Intelligence Computing Power Optical Module



Article Overview

Optical modules and photonic processors dramatically enhance AI computing by enabling high-speed, low-latency, and energy-efficient data transfer and computation.

Role of Optical Modules in AI Systems

Optical modules convert electrical signals into light, allowing data to move rapidly and reliably across AI systems. This enables high-speed data transfer, reduced latency, and improved energy efficiency, which are critical for AI workloads that involve massive datasets and complex neural networks. They are widely used in data centers, AI servers, and communication networks, supporting smooth operation of GPU and TPU clusters during distributed AI training. By reducing power consumption and improving system stability, optical modules allow AI systems to run longer with fewer interruptions.

Photonic Processors and Optical Computing

Recent breakthroughs in photonic processors allow AI computations to be performed directly with light. For example, MIT researchers developed a fully integrated photonic processor capable of performing all key computations of a deep neural network optically on-chip, completing tasks in less than half a nanosecond while maintaining over 92% accuracy. Similarly, Tsinghua University's Optical Feature Extraction Engine (OFE2) processes data at 12.5 GHz using light, achieving low late...

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Optical modules, responsible for carrying the majority of intra-data center traffic, have become a foundational building

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Several academic papers demonstrated the benefits of optically reconfigurable circuit switch-based inter-connects for datacenter

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These optical modules from NADDOD incorporate advanced semiconductor technology and optical design, offering

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New light-based chip boosts power efficiency of AI tasks 100 fold

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The Application of Optical Modules in High-Performance Computing

High-Performance Computing (HPC) is no longer confined to elite research labs. It drives breakthroughs in artificial

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