

PROLABS – XLAOCBLX-C 40GBd QSFP+ Active Optical Cable Transceiver

XLAOCBLX-C Overview

PROLABS's XLAOCBLX-C QSFP+ active optical cable transceivers are 4channel active optical cable for QSFP+ applications that is designed to meet the QSFP+ 10GBPS X 4 Pluggable Transceiver SFF-8436 specification. This full-duplex optical assembly offers 4 independent transmit and receive channels, each capable of 10Gbps for an aggregate bandwidth of 40Gbps.

The cables use the standard multimode fiber cable carrying a nominal wavelength of 850nm. The electrical interface is standard 38 contact edge type connector and is electrically compliant with the SFI+ and PPI interface supporting Infiniband, Ethernet, Fiber Channel. The connector is hot pluggable and provides I2C serials access via an on-board microcontroller.

QSFP+ AOC can be used as a direct replacement for traditional copper cables with the added benefit of a lighter weight and smaller diameter solution for cable lengths from 1 to 100 meters.

Product Features

- 4 high-speed full duplex channels
- QSFP+ MSA compliant
- Cable lengths from 1 to 100 meters
- Small 3mm diameter fiber cable
- Low Power consumption, less than 1W
- RoHS Compliance
- Operating temperature range: 0°C to 70°C.

Applications

- 40G Ethernet
- Infiniband interconnects

Ordering Information

Part Number	Description
XLAOCBLx-C	40G QSFP+ Active optical Cable (length from 1m to 100m)



General Specifications

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit	Remarks
Bit Error Rate	BER			10^{-15}		
Operating Temperature	T _{op}	0		70	°C	Case temperature
Storage Temperature	T _{STO}	- 40		85	°C	Ambient temperature
Input Voltage	V _{CC}	3.14	3.3	3.47	V	
Maximum Voltage	V _{MAX}	-0.5		3.6	V	For electrical power interface

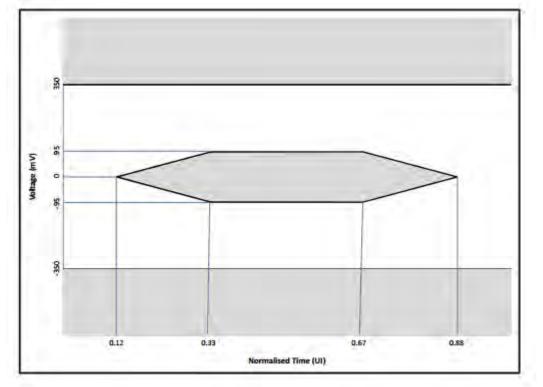
Link Distances

Parameter	Fiber Type	Distance Range (m)
40 GBd	MMF	Up to 100

AOC Electrical Input Requirements

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit	Remarks
Data Rate Per Channel	Dr		0.001	10.5	GB/s	Non condensing
Differential Input Amplitude	V_{IN_PP}	150		1600	mV	
Single Ended Voltage Tolerance	V	-0.3		3.8	V	
AC Common Mode Voltage	Vcm	15			mV	
Total Jitter	T _i			0.28	UIp-p	
Data Dependent Jitter	DĎJ			0.1	Ulp-p	
Eye Mask			See note			

Note: The worst case electrical input is defined by the eye mask:

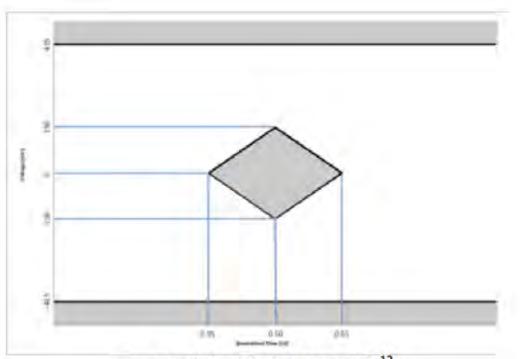




AOC Electrical Onput Requirements

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit	Remarks
Data Rate Per Channel	Dr		0.001	10.5	GB/s	Non condensing
Differential Output Amplitude	Vout_PP	340		700	mV	
Differential Output Amplitude in Squelched state	Vout_sq			50	mV	
Single Ended Voltage Tolerance	V	-0.3		3.8	V	
Output AC Common Mode Voltage	Vcm			7.5	mV	RMS
Output Transition Time	Tr, Tf	28			ps	
Total Jitter	Tj			0.7	Ulp-p	
Deterministic Jitter	DJ			0.4	Ulp-p	
Eye Mask			See			
			note			

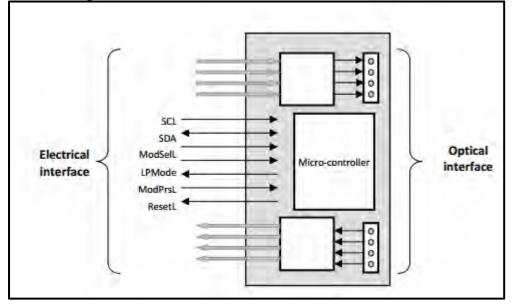








Block Diagram of Transceiver

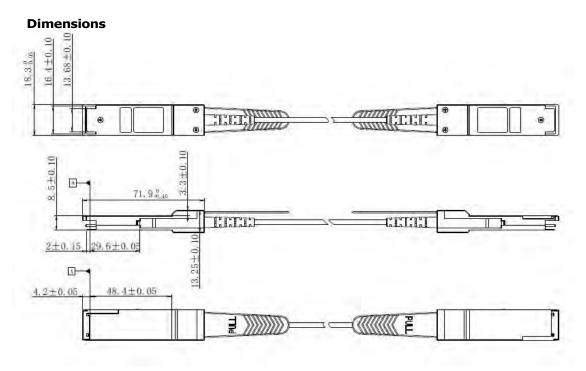


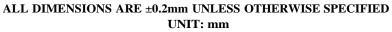
The QSFP AOC has miniature optical engine embedded into each end of the cable assembly. The engines interconnect 4 independent transmit/receive lanes.

A functional block diagram of the engine is shown in the above Figure. The transmitter sections consists of a 4- channel VCSEL array, a 4-channel input buffer and laser driver.

An on board micro-controller provides control, diagnostic and monitoring for the cable functions, as well as the external I2C serial communication interface.

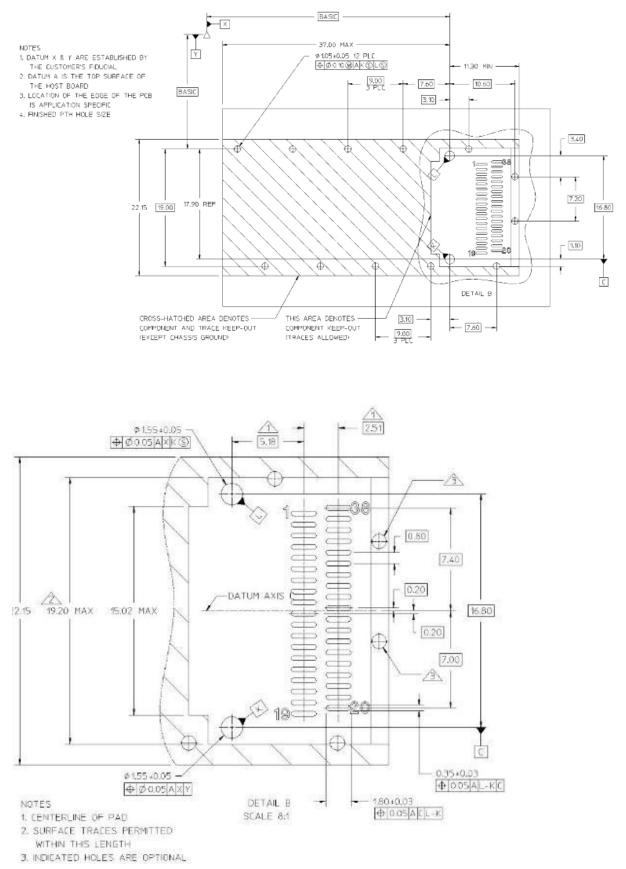
The Receiver section consists of a 4-channel PIN photodiode array, a 4-channel TIA array, and a 4-channel output buffer.





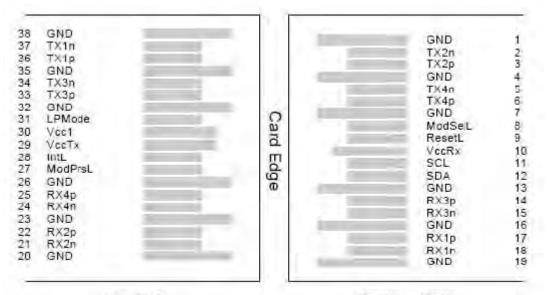


PCB Layout Recommendation





Electrical Pad Layout



Top Side Viewed from Top Bottorn Side Viewed from Bottom



Pin Assignment

PIN#	Symbol	Description	Remarks
1	GND	Ground	
2	Tx2n	Transmitter Inverted Data Input	
3	Tx2p	Transmitter Non-Inverted Data Input	
4	GND	Ground	
5	Tx4n	Transmitter Inverted Data Input	
6	Tx4p	Transmitter Non-Inverted Data Input	
7	GND	Ground	
8	ModSelL	Module Select	
9	ResetL	Module Reset	
10	$V_{cc} RX$	+3.3V Power Supply Receiver	
11	SCL	2-wire serial interface clock	
12	SDA	2-wire serial interface data	
13	GND	Ground	
14	Rx3p	Receiver Non-Inverted Data Output	
15	Rx3n	Receiver Inverted Data Output	
16	GND	Ground	
17	Rx1p	Receiver Non-Inverted Data Output	
18	Rx1n	Receiver Inverted Data Output	
19	GND	Ground	
20	GND	Ground	
21	Rx2n	Receiver Inverted Data Output	
22	Rx2p	Receiver Non-Inverted Data Output	
23	GND	Ground	
24	Rx4n	Receiver Inverted Data Output	
25	Rx4p	Receiver Non-Inverted Data Output	
26	GND	Ground	
27	ModPrsL	Module Present	
28	IntL	Interrupt	
29	V _{cc} TX	+3.3V Power Supply transmitter	
30	V _{cc1}	+3.3V Power Supply	
31	LPMode	Low Power Mode	
32	GND	Ground	
33	Тх3р	Transmitter Non-Inverted Data Input	
34	Tx3n	Transmiiter Inverted Data Input	
35	GND	Ground	
36	Tx1p	Transmitter Non-Inverted Data Input	
37	Tx1n	Transmiiter Inverted Data Input	
38	GND	Ground	

References

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