

# 3M™ Active Optical Cable (AOC) Assemblies

## QSFP+ and CX4 Applications Low Power, Low Cost, High-Performance

Using industry leading VCSEL technology and an advanced new light-engine design, the 3M Active Optical Cable (AOC) Assembly provides excellent cost/performance value. The direct attach QSFP+ and CX4 AOC assemblies deliver four channels of bi-directional data while using minimal energy per end.

### Features

- Low power AOC
- Certified to the InfiniBand Integrator's List for 20 Gbps and 40 Gbps (DDR and QDR respectively)
- Quick, easy installation – plug and play
- Lightweight, flexible and routable
- Compliant with SFF, InfiniBand and ethernet specifications
- Qualified to Telcordia GR-486-CORE
- Bend-insensitive fiber
- Up to 100 m in length



3M™ Active Optical Cable (AOC) Assembly for QSFP+ Applications



3M™ Active Optical Cable (AOC) Assembly for CX4 Applications

### Applications

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| • High-performance computing clusters | • High-speed servers           |
| • Data center networks                | • Storage                      |
| • IB and GigE switches                | • Routers, hubs, load balancer |

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## Product Specifications

|                                     |                                                                              |                                                                             |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Module Form Factor</b>           | <b>QSFP+</b>                                                                 | <b>CX4</b>                                                                  |
| <b>Protocols Supported</b>          | Infiniband, 40G Ethernet                                                     | Infiniband, 3.125G per channel XAUI, Ethernet                               |
| <b>Channels</b>                     | 4 channels, bi-directional                                                   | 4 channels, bi-directional                                                  |
| <b>Channel Data Rate</b>            | 1 to 10.3125 Gbps/channel                                                    | up to 5 Gbps/channel                                                        |
| <b>Operating Optical Wavelength</b> | 850 nm                                                                       | 850 nm                                                                      |
| <b>Aggregate Bandwidth</b>          | 40 Gbps                                                                      | 20 Gbps                                                                     |
| <b>BER</b>                          | <10E-15                                                                      | <10E-15                                                                     |
| <b>Operating Case Temperature</b>   | 0 to +70°C                                                                   | 0 to +70°C                                                                  |
| <b>Storage Temperature</b>          | -40° to +70°C                                                                | -40° to +70°C                                                               |
| <b>Supply Voltage</b>               | 3.3 V                                                                        | 3.3 V                                                                       |
| <b>Electrical Interface</b>         | 38-pin edge connector                                                        | 34-pin edge connector                                                       |
| <b>Power Consumption</b>            | 540 mW per end*                                                              | <660 mW per end                                                             |
| <b>Management Interface</b>         | Serial, I2C                                                                  | N/A                                                                         |
| <b>Fiber Type</b>                   | OM2+, 50 µm Bend Insensitive                                                 | OM2+, 50 µm Bend Insensitive                                                |
| <b>Cable Length</b>                 | Up to 100 m                                                                  | up to 100 m                                                                 |
| <b>Outer Cable Diameter</b>         | 3 mm                                                                         | 3 mm                                                                        |
| <b>Cable Type</b>                   | Plenum and LSZH                                                              | Plenum and LSZH                                                             |
| <b>Compliance</b>                   | SFF-8436, FCC Class B and CE, RoHS* 6, Class 1M Laser, Telcordia GR-486-CORE | SFF-8470, FCC Class B and CE, RoHS 6, Class 1M Laser, Telcordia GR-468-CORE |

\*Tested as low as 480 mW in some use scenarios. Contact 3M for more information.

## Ordering Information

QSFP+ parts configurations are available on customer drawing 78-5100-2442-1. CX4 parts configurations are available on customer drawing 78-5100-2496-7. Please reference these drawings for additional details and availability.

**6AXX-X04X1-XXX.X-0**

22 = QSFP+  
44 = CX4

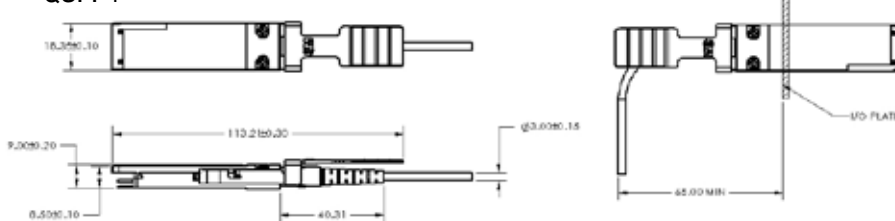
A = QSFP+  
B = CX4

**Cable Jacket**  
2 = Plenum  
4 = LSZH

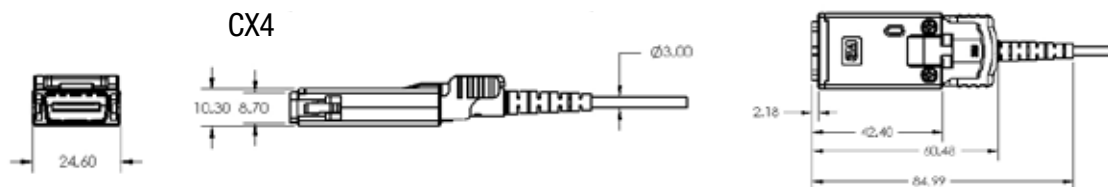
Standard Lengths: 2-30 meters, 35, 40, 45, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90 100 meters

Length in meters

QSFP+



CX4



## Related Products

### 3M™ High-Speed Copper Cable Assemblies for QSFP+ Applications

Made with 3M™ Twin Axial Cable technology, the QSFP+ direct attach copper cable assembly is a low-cost, flexible solution that complements QSFP+ AOC assemblies to address the diverse needs of customers seeking reliable, high-density 40 Gbps solutions.

### 3M™ Cable Assemblies for SFP+ Applications

The 3M Cable Assembly for SFP+ Applications is a passive copper cable assembly which utilizes 3M Twin Axial Cable technology to create a highly-flexible, foldable, high-performance solution, with up to 10 Gbps for storage, networking, high-performance computing and data center applications.

#### The First of Its Kind:

- Excellent SI performance
- Extremely low profile
- Light-weight
- Tightly packaged, flexible ribbon format
- Very small bend radius (2.5 mm) enables efficient routing
- Infiniband QDR/FDR; 40G Ethernet; FibreChannel / SAS-2.1
- SFF-8436 compliant



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