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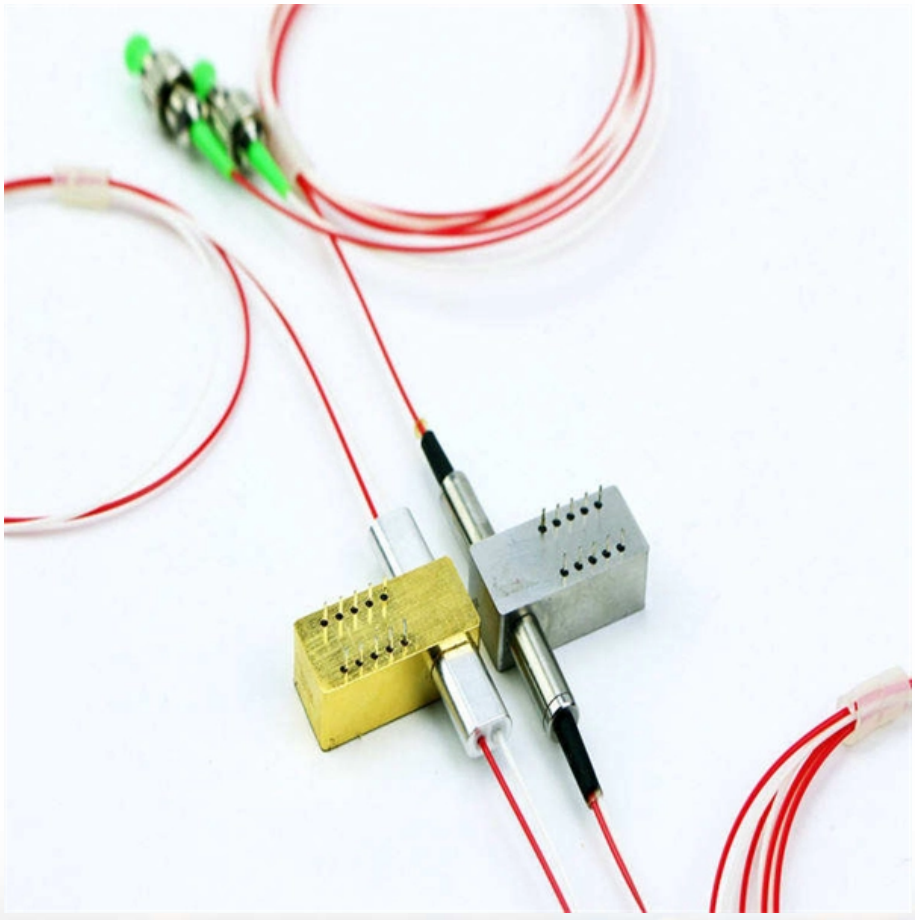

Overview

In the ongoing evolution of optical module technology, PCB circuit boards face immense pressures across multiple dimensions—signalling, spatial constraints, thermal management—which continuously challenge their performance in material selection, process precision, and design. The Printed Circuit Board (PCB) at the heart of these modules is no longer a simple substrate but a highly engineered system. Optical modules are critical components in modern communication systems, acting as the bridge between electrical and optical signals. In simple terms, they convert electrical signals from devices like routers, switches, and servers into light signals that travel through fiber optic cables.

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