

Main performance indicators of optical transmitters



Article Overview

Key performance indicators of an optical transmitter include average transmit power, extinction ratio, optical signal wavelength, and TDECQ, which collectively determine signal quality and transmission reliability.

Core Performance Metrics

1. Average Transmit Power This represents the optical power output by the transmitter under normal operating conditions and is typically measured in dBm. It reflects the intensity of the emitted light and is influenced by the proportion of “1” bits in the transmitted data. Adequate transmit power ensures that the signal can travel through the optical fiber without excessive attenuation or distortion, maintaining reliable communication . 2. Extinction Ratio The extinction ratio measures the ability of the transmitter to distinguish between logical “1” and “0” levels. It is defined as the ratio of the average optical power when transmitting all “1” bits to the average power when transmitting all “0” bits, expressed in dB. A higher extinction ratio indicates better signal clarity and laser efficiency, with typical values ranging from 8.2 dB to 10 dB . 3. Optical Signal Center Wavelength The center wavelength of the transmitted optical signal is critical for matching the fiber's transmission window and minimizing dispersion. Deviations from the nominal wavelength can lead to signal degradation, especially in wavelength-division multiplexing (WDM) systems . 4. TDECQ (Transmitter and Dispersion Eye Closure Quaternary) For modern high-speed PAM4 transmitters, TDECQ quantifies the optical quality by measuring how much additional power is required for a real transmitter t...

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The transmitting optical power is a critical parameter affecting the transmission distance of the optical module. Methods

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