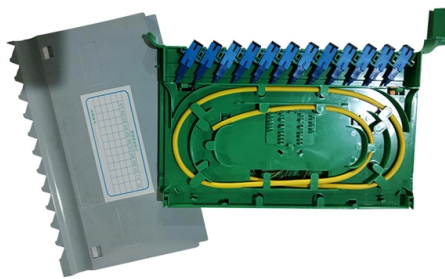


# What does optical module bandwidth depend on



## Article Overview

Optical module bandwidth is determined by the combination of data rate, modulation format, wavelength, and photodetector response, which together define the module's performance and transmission capabilities.

### Key Bandwidth-Related Parameters

1. Data Rate and Modulation Format The data rate specifies the maximum speed at which an optical module can transmit information, typically ranging from 1G to 1.6T in modern systems. Modulation format (e.g., NRZ, PAM4) affects bandwidth efficiency, determining how much data can be transmitted per optical carrier and influencing the required per-lane speed for system architecture . 2. Optical Bandwidth vs. Modulation Bandwidth Optical bandwidth refers to the spectral width of the light source (in THz or nm), while modulation bandwidth is the maximum frequency at which the optical signal can be varied or detected (in MHz or GHz). The achievable data rate depends on both the optical bandwidth and the system's spectral efficiency . 3. Wavelength and Center Wavelength The center wavelength (e.g., 850nm, 1310nm, 1550nm) determines fiber type compatibility and transmission distance. Multimode fibers typically use 850nm for short distances, while single-mode fibers use 1310nm or 1550nm for longer distances, with 1550nm supporting up to 120km without amplification . 4. Transmit Power and Receiver Sensitivity Transmit optical power and receiver sensitivity define the effective link budget. High sensitivity and appropriate transmit power ensure reliable signal detection over the intended distance, accounting for fiber loss and dispersion . 5. P...

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