

Optical Module Assembly Principle



Article Overview

Optical modules operate by converting electrical signals into optical signals and back, using TOSA for transmission and ROSA for reception, with precise control of light emission and detection.

Core Components and Function

Transmitter Optical Sub-Assembly (TOSA): The TOSA converts electrical signals into optical signals. It contains a light source—typically a laser diode (LD) for high-speed, long-distance applications or an LED for low-speed, short-distance links—an optical interface, a monitoring photodiode, and a driver circuit. The driver chip modulates the light source according to the input electrical signal, producing a modulated optical output. Some TOSAs include automatic power control (APC) circuits to maintain stable optical output power, ensuring consistent signal quality during transmission .

Receiver Optical Sub-Assembly (ROSA): The ROSA converts incoming optical signals back into electrical signals. It consists of a photodetector diode—either a PIN diode for standard sensitivity or an Avalanche Photodiode (APD) for higher sensitivity—and a transimpedance amplifier (TIA). The photodiode generates a photocurrent proportional to the received optical power, which the TIA amplifies into a usable voltage signal for the network device .

Bi-Directional Optical Sub-Assembly (BOSA): In single-fiber bidirectional modules, the BOSA integrates both TOSA and ROSA, using different wavelengths for transmission and reception over the same fiber, optimizing fiber usage .

Operational Principle

- **Electrical-to-Optical Conversion:** The input electrical signal is processed by the dri...

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