Optical Module Forward Error Correction Function



Overview

In fiber-optic networking, Forward Error Correction (FEC) is used to address optical Signal-to-Noise Ratio (OSNR), one of the key parameters that determine how far a wavelength can travel before it needs regeneration. Optical transmission is vulnerable to various sources of signal degradation, including chromatic dispersion, modal dispersion, polarization mode dispersion, and noise. In the real world, an optical receiver's ability to resolve information is impacted by the presence of noise. It introduces redundant data, called error-correcting code, before data transmission or storage. At the receiving end, the data is decoded using a specified algorithm, and the receiver. A comprehensive technical guide to understanding Open Forward Error Correction technology for high-performance optical networking systems Open Forward Error Correction (O-FEC or oFEC) represents a critical advancement in optical networking technology, enabling high-performance coherent optical.



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