

Encoding Optical Module



Article Overview

Optical modules encode information by modulating light through intensity, phase, polarization, or multi-dimensional coding, converting optical signals into detectable patterns for communication or sensing.

Optical Modulation and Encoding Principles

Optical modules use light sources such as LEDs or lasers to transmit information. The encoding process involves mapping user data into code bits, which are then modulated onto the optical carrier. Common modulation strategies include:

- Intensity Modulation (IM): The light's brightness varies according to the signal, widely used in optical communication due to simplicity and high data rates .
- Phase Modulation (PM): The phase of the optical wave is altered to represent information, enabling coherent detection and higher spectral efficiency .
- Polarization or Wavelength Modulation: Information is encoded by changing the polarization state or wavelength of the light, useful in multiplexing and advanced communication systems .
- Multi-dimensional Encoding: In imaging or advanced sensing, optical signals can be encoded in multiple photon tags (e.g., spatial, temporal, spectral dimensions) to increase information density and improve reconstruction accuracy .

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