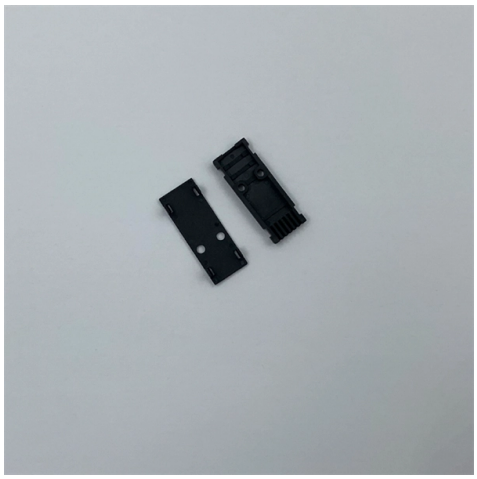
Adjusting the transmit power of the optical module



Overview

This article discusses the performance metrics for optical modules and how to achieve higher transmission speeds for optical modules.

Key Takeaways

You can adjust the transmit power of an optical module via interface configuration commands or digital monitoring features, but it requires careful measurement and adherence to module specifications to avoid damage or link failure.

Steps to Adjust Transmit Power

Check Current Transmit Power

Use your device's CLI or digital diagnostic monitoring (DOM/DDM) to view the current TX power in dBm. For example, on Juniper devices, the command show interfaces diagnostics optics displays the laser output power, while Huawei devices provide a similar display interface transceiver command.

Enter Configuration Mode

Access the system or interface configuration mode on your network device. For example: Huawei: Enter system view → interface view → configure transmit power. Juniper: Enter configuration mode → navigate to the optical interface → use set interfaces optics-options tx-power.

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Set the Desired Transmit Power

Adjust the TX power based on the receive power at the remote end. Avoid setting it too high, which can damage the remote module, or too low, which may prevent link establishment.

Verify the Adjustment

After configuration, check the transmit power again using DOM or CLI commands to ensure it is within the safe operating range specified by the module datasheet.

Safety and Best Practices

Use an Optical Power Meter: For precise measurement, especially in critical links, use an optical power meter to verify the actual transmitted power. Follow Module Specifications: Each optical module has a defined TX power range. Exceeding this range can damage the module or reduce its lifespan.

Monitor Link Performance: Observe the receive power and error rates to ensure the link remains stable. Deviations beyond ±3 dB can cause bit error rate spikes or alarms. Clean Connectors and Inspect Fiber: Contaminated connectors or damaged fiber can affect power readings and link quality.

Additional Considerations

Vendor Differences: Commands and supported TX power adjustments vary by vendor, module type, and software version. Module Type: Only certain modules, such as 400G-ZR/ZR+ or QSFP-100GBASE-LR4, support configurable transmit power. Regular Testing: Periodically check transmit power to prevent drift and maintain network reliability.

By following these steps and precautions, you can safely adjust the transmit power of optical modules to optimize link performance and maintain signal integrity.

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