

Types of Base Station Optical Modules



Article Overview

Base stations primarily use SFP, SFP+, SFP28, and QSFP28 optical modules for high-speed fronthaul and backhaul connections, with 25G SFP28 modules being the current standard for 5G fronthaul.

Overview of Optical Modules in Base Stations

Base stations consist of BBUs (Baseband Units) and RRUs (Remote Radio Units), which require high-speed optical links for data transmission. Optical modules serve as the interface between electrical signals in the base station and optical fiber networks, enabling low-latency, high-bandwidth communication. They are used in both fronthaul (BBU to RRU) and backhaul (base station to core network) applications.

Common Types of Optical Modules

- SFP (Small Form-Factor Pluggable): Typically used for 1G networks; compact and suitable for space-constrained deployments.
- SFP+: Enhanced version supporting 10G links, often used in 4G networks for CPRI interfaces.
- SFP28: Supports 25G eCPRI links, widely adopted in 5G fronthaul. These modules can transmit over single-mode or multimode fiber, with distances ranging from 70m to 20km depending on the variant.
- QSFP28: Supports 100G links, commonly used for backhaul or aggregated midhaul connections in dense urban or core network scenarios.

Key Features...

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Base stations require optical chips and optical modules

Unlike standalone optical chips, optical modules are system-level integrated devices that combine optical chips, driver

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Classification and Types of Optical Modules

The types of optical modules are mainly distinguished by their parameters and characteristics. Current classification

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A communication base station is composed of a computer room, base station, antenna, feeder line (transmission line between

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