

# 100M optical module light receiving sensitivity



## Overview

Receive sensitivity defines the minimum optical power required to maintain an acceptable bit error rate ( $BER \leq 1E-12$ ) at specific data rates. This parameter depends on multiple technical factors including photodetector type (PIN/APD) and transimpedance amplifier (TIA) noise. When it comes to evaluating the performance of an optical transceiver, two key factors come to the fore: Output power (TX Power) and Receiver Sensitivity (RX Sensitivity). An understanding of these concepts is pivotal to establishing an effective and efficient optical network. It specifies a module's capability to perform in harsh environments and helps network operators determine the maximum reach or link margin available in the system. For example, SONET specifies that the BER must be  $10^{-10}$  or better. Overload optical power, also known as saturated optical power, refers to the maximum input average optical power that the receiving. For network engineers working with fiber optics (SFP, SFP+, QSFP), understanding TX (Transmit) and RX (Receive) signal strength is critical.

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If the transmit optical power refers to the light intensity at the sending end, then the receive sensitivity refers to the light intensity that can be detected by the optical module.

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