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How much can enabling FEC improve the optical module performance

Overview

Modern FEC codes provide an astonishing 10 -12 dB performance improvement, easily having the single biggest impact on transponder and optical network performance. In this white paper, you will learn how FEC works, the trade-offs involved, and how we apply FEC in Cisco equipment. What are transmission errors?

A transmission error occurs when a bit. This quick reference helps network engineers and field technicians choose and validate FEC settings for 10G to 400G optics in 5G fronthaul/backhaul, DWDM, SDH, and PON deployments. By embedding redundant data that allows receivers to correct errors without retransmission, FEC delivers high-speed performance with low error rates, ensuring both scalability and cost-effectiveness. Increase the interconnection distances. While correcting the code, FEC helps the signal to be received at greater distances, for example, up to 30-40% distance increase can be achieved on 100G links using SD-FEC.

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