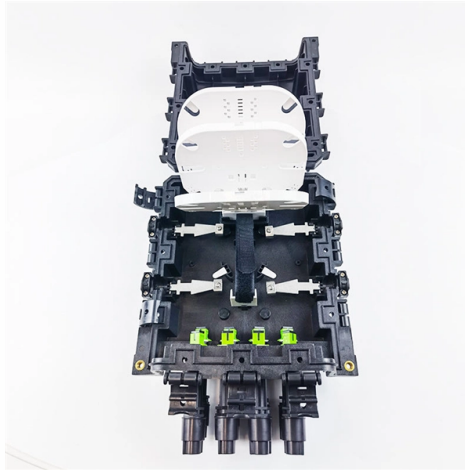


Relationship between optical modules and EML chips



AI Overview

An EML (Electro-Absorption Modulated Laser) chip integrates a laser diode and an electro-absorption modulator on a single chip to enable high-speed, long-distance optical data transmission. Structure and Function An EML chip combines three key components: a laser diode, an electro-absorption (EA) modulator, and an optical waveguide. The laser diode generates a continuous-wave (CW) light source, which is then modulated by the EA modulator to encode electrical data signals onto the optical carrier. The optical waveguide guides the light from the laser to the modulator and then to the output, ensuring minimal signal loss and high modulation efficiency. This integration allows EML chips to achieve high-speed modulation exceeding 50 Gbps with low power consumption and minimal signal distortion. Advantages High-Speed Modulation: Supports data rates suitable for 100G to 3.2T optical links, including 56 GBd and 112 GBd PAM4 modulation. Long-Distance Transmission: EMLs maintain signal quality over distances up to hundreds of kilometers without requiring optical amplifiers, making them ideal for metro and backbone networks. Low Chirp and Stable Signal: External modulation reduces phase noise and wavelength drift compared to direct modulation lasers (DMLs), improving long-haul performance. Compact Design: Small form factors allow dense PCB layouts and integration into high-performance optical transceivers. Applications EML chips are widely used in: Data Centers: High-speed interconnects for servers and storage systems. Telecommunication Networks: Long-haul and metro fiber-optic links. AI and Cloud Computing: Low-latency, high-bandwidth links for large-scale data processing. High-Performance Computing: Optical modules requiring stable, high-speed transmission. Comparison with Other Laser Technologies Compared to VCSEL...

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