A method for debugging optical modules

Overview

1. Document Purpose The purpose of this document is to introduce the debugging steps and commands for optical modules used with NADDOD switches, for reference by technicians and users.

Key Takeaways

Optical module debugging involves systematic testing, parameter optimization, and signal verification to ensure high-speed, reliable performance.

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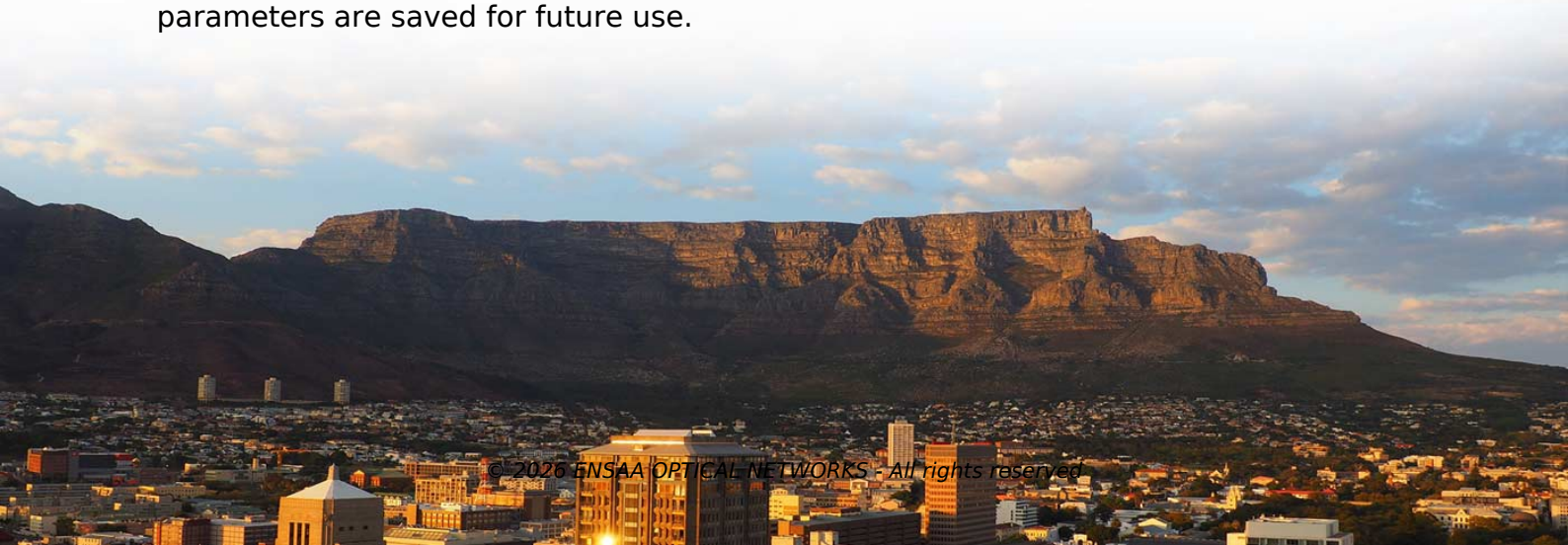
Ie Optical Module Debugging

For PCIe interface optical modules, debugging typically starts by connecting the module to a test system to initiate link training. If the link fails, an optimization flow is executed to adjust module parameters. Once the link is successful, equalization parameters are fine-tuned, and test information is sent to verify the bit error rate (BER).

A BE

R smaller than 1e-12 indicates successful debugging, after which the optimized parameters are saved for future use.



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Extinction Ratio Debugging

The extinction ratio of an optical module, which affects signal quality, can be debugged using a calculation-based method. Steps include writing bias current DAC values, determining luminous efficiency and threshold current, setting target extinction ratio and average light power, and adjusting DAC values accordingly. The current extinction ratio is then measured and compared against specification limits to ensure proper performance.

Signal Testing and PHY-Level DebuggingOptical modules can be tested at three nodes: MAC → PHY, PHY → MAC, and PHY → PHY. Pre-FEC and post-FEC bit errors are monitored, and SNR information is checked using diagnostic commands. Mapping between Ethernet ports and chip ports is essential for accurate lane-level testing, ensuring proper signal integrity and error correction.

I2C-Based Debugging ToolsTools like CodingBox provide an efficient way to debug SFP, XFP, QSFP, and other transceivers. They allow I2C reading and writing, DD/DOM parameter interpretation, and online debugging via scripts. Users can connect the module to a computer via USB and perform coding, parameter adjustments, and low-speed signal tests conveniently.

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Based High-

Speed Module DebuggingFor high-speed optical modules using Qualcomm chips, debugging focuses on signal integrity, thermal management, and laser performance. Key steps include: Checking power supply stability and monitoring temperature/current via on-chip sensors. Verifying thermal management to prevent wavelength drift.

Using Optical Spectrum Analyzers (OSA) to ensure laser wavelength stability and linewidth. Ensuring proper alignment of laser diodes, modulators, and photodetectors to maintain high-fidelity signal transmission.

Best Practices

Always start with link training and BER verification. Adjust equalization and bias parameters iteratively. Use diagnostic tools to monitor SNR, pre-FEC, and post-FEC errors.

Employ calculation-based methods for extinction ratio optimization to save time and improve efficiency. Maintain thermal and power stability to prevent performance degradation in high-speed modules. By combining these methods, engineers can systematically debug optical modules, ensuring reliable operation in data centers, 5G networks, and high-performance computing environments.

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Article Content

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Automatic debugging method and device for optical module

The automatic debugging method of the optical module and the device thereof provided by the present invention are used to reduce the error rate of debugging the optical module and...

Debugging the SFP Optical Transceiver Module

Overview Learn how to check SFP module health on Cisco switches. This guide covers essential CLI commands (show inventory, DOM), fixes for "unsupported transceiver" errors, and interpreting optical

Optical module debugging system

The invention discloses an optical module debugging system, which comprises a debugging board, a debugging communication mainboard and a debugging host machine, wherein the debugging board

Optical module as well as debugging system and debugging method

The optical module as well as the debugging system and the debugging method thereof has the benefits that an open loop digital adjustment way is adopted to bring the convenience to debugging and

Test Pattern Bring-up for First Silicon Debug of 800G Optical Modules

This thesis presents an innovative exploration of the initial debugging process for newly developed semiconductor silicon, focusing particularly on the 800G optical modules.

Design of SFP28 test and debugging evaluation board

Abstract This paper mainly designs and develops an evaluation board for testing and debugging SFP28 optical module.

An optical module debugging system

The present invention discloses an optical module debugging, the system comprising: a debug board, which comprises a differential crystal oscillator with an optical module that is to debug the debug

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High-precision optical path debugging device and debugging method ...

see figure 1 As shown, a high-precision optical optical path debugging device includes a light source module 1 and a receiving module 2. The light source module 1 is used to

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Optical module extinction ratio debugging method based on calculation Abstract The invention relates to a method for debugging the extinction ratio of an optical module based on calculation.

Optical module debugging and testing device, debugging and testing ...

Optical module debugging and testing device, debugging and testing method and electronic equipment A technology for commissioning devices and optical modules, which is applied

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The application provides an optical module debugging method, an electronic device and an optical module debugging system, wherein the method comprises the following steps: acquiring the

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Furthermore, the invention also provides a method for carrying out the light module automatic debugging, thus a production efficiency of the light module debugging is improved, and artificial

Optical module debugging system and method

The system and the method for debugging have universality and low cost, and the flying lead is not required to be used, so that the damage to the optical module is avoided.

Design of Automatic Test System for 50 Gbit/s SFP56 Optical Module

Python language and its robust third-party libraries, including the VISA and pyserial libraries, are utilized to develop an automatic testing system for SFP56 optical modules compatible with the Windows

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This paper introduces an effective design debugging and verification method using optical fault isolation (OFI) techniques. Although OFI is mainly used for failure analysis of semiconductor, key concepts of

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The application relates to an optical module debugging method, an optical module debugging device, electronic equipment and a storage medium, and belongs to the technical field of optical

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In general, LRO optical modules share a similar design philosophy with standard FRO optical modules. In contrast, the Hybrid architecture adopts a fundamentally different component

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