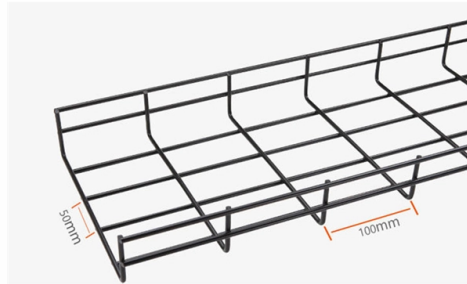


Selection Guide for PAM4 OTN Routers Used in Oil and Petrochemical Industries



Article Overview

Selecting PAM4 OTN routers for oil and petrochemical operations requires balancing high-speed optical performance with ruggedized industrial reliability and compliance with harsh environmental standards.

Understanding PAM4 Technology

PAM4 (Pulse Amplitude Modulation 4-level) is a modulation scheme that encodes two bits per symbol, effectively doubling data rates compared to traditional NRZ modulation. This enables 400G and 800G Ethernet transmission, which is critical for high-bandwidth applications in industrial networks. PAM4 routers support short-haul optical transmission up to approximately 10 km, requiring advanced forward error correction (FEC) and high-performance components to maintain signal integrity. While PAM4 increases throughput, it also introduces signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) penalties, necessitating careful network design and component selection.

Key Considerations for Oil and Petrochemical Environments

- **Environmental Resilience** Industrial sites such as refineries, pipelines, and offshore platforms expose equipment to extreme temperatures, vibrations, corrosive atmospheres, and explosive hazards. Routers must meet IP ratings, MIL-STD-810G, SAE J1455, and HazLoc (Class 1 Div 2) certifications to ensure reliable operation under these conditions.



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Four-level pulse amplitude modulation (PAM4) uses four different signal levels for signal transmission, doubling the

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