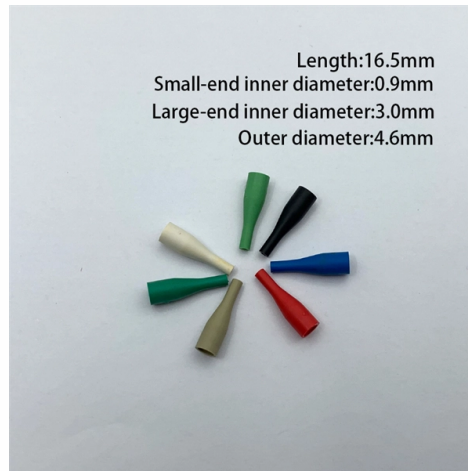


## AI optical module lifespan



### Overview

The MTBF typically ranges from 500,000 to 2,000,000 hours under normal operating conditions. Photodetector Degradation: Photodetectors experience dark current increase due to surface contamination or defect generation, reducing sensitivity over time. While the industry-standard OSFP (Octal Small Form-Factor Pluggable) module has successfully enabled 400Gbps, 800Gbps, and 1.8Tbps of switching. These compact modules are the high-speed, high-bandwidth lifelines connecting the massive compute and storage resources AI demands. Understanding their role is key to building efficient, scalable AI systems. Optical modules convert electrical signals into light to move data quickly and reliably in. ♦ The update cycle for direct modulation and direct detection optical modules in data centers is about 3 to 4 years. After the introduction of AI computing, the iteration cycle has shown a trend of shortening. 6T optics enabling new form factors XPO and CPX, while. Informa Tech, a trading division of Informa PLC Server ports, while mainly still copper currently and for the next few years, will eventually transition to optics via pluggable modules, AOCs and in some cases co-packaged optics (CPO). 5 watts per 100G of data delivered.



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