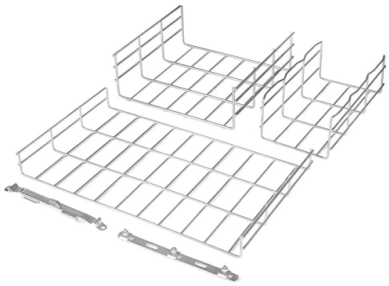
Visual Inspection Optical Module



Overview

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Key Takeaways

The optical module visual inspection process involves systematically examining components for defects using manual, remote, or automated optical methods, supported by proper lighting, magnification, and reference standards. Manual Optical Inspection (MOI)Manual optical inspection is the traditional method where an inspector examines the optical module with the naked eye or magnification tools such as microscopes, magnifying glasses, or mirrors. Inspectors compare the module against a reference standard or "golden board" to identify defects like misaligned components, solder bridging, surface damage, or cracks in solder joints.

Key considerations include: Inspector skill and training: A qualified inspector is essential for accurate detection. Lighting and magnification: Proper illumination and magnification are critical to reveal fine defects and reduce fatigue. Inspection angles: Direct inspection should be performed at angles not less than 30° to the surface, with mirrors used to improve visibility in hard-to-reach areas.

Adjacent surface coverage: Inspectors should include at least 1 inch of surrounding material to ensure no defects are missed. Remote Visual Inspection (RVI)RVI is used when direct access is limited or hazardous. Tools like borescopes, fiber scopes, or drones allow inspectors to capture images of internal or confined areas without disassembly.

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This method ensures safety while maintaining inspection accuracy and is particularly useful for complex optical modules or assemblies in tight enclosures. Automated Optical Inspection (AOI)AOI leverages high-resolution cameras and image processing algorithms to inspect optical modules at high speed and precision. The process includes: Imaging system: Multiple cameras capture detailed images from different angles to eliminate blind spots.

Lighting architecture: Configurable LED arrays in various colors and angles highlight defects such as soldering errors or misaligned components. Image processing engine: Software compares captured images to CAD data or a golden board, detecting anomalies with sub-pixel accuracy.

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I offers consistent, fatigue-free inspection and can detect defects that may be missed by human inspectors, making it ideal for high-volume production environments.

Best Practices

Personnel qualification: Inspectors should be certified according to industry standards (e.g., ASNT SNT-TC-1A or AWS CWI for welds) to ensure competence. Equipment calibration: Regular calibration of cameras, lighting, and magnification tools ensures reliable results. Documentation and reference standards: Using golden boards or CAD references helps maintain consistency and traceability.

Operator comfort: Ergonomic setups and proper lighting reduce fatigue, improving inspection accuracy.

Summary

The optical module visual inspection process combines manual, remote, and automated techniques to detect defects in electronic assemblies. Success depends on skilled personnel, proper equipment, effective lighting, and adherence to procedural standards. While manual inspection provides flexibility and human judgment, AOI enhances speed, accuracy, and repeatability, making it essential for modern high-density optical modules.

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