

# Design of Point to Point Metro DWDM Network and Its Performance Evaluation

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**Abstract**—Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing is a best technology to increase channel capacity and it support for growing bandwidth demands on optical fiber communication. In this technology the optical signal will carry multiple streams of information, each stream as its own unique wavelength. The wavelength effective for DWDM system will be from 1525nm to 1565nm in C Band and from 1570nm to 1610nm in L Band. In this paper we use single mode fiber for length of 110 km at 1550nm to decrease dispersion in signal. The DWDM system analysis is performed using optisystem with flow rate of 10 Gb/s per channel and carried out simulation, EDFA amplifier is used to achieve signal with improved Q-Factor and BER.

**Index Terms**— Bit Error Rate Parameter, Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing Network, Erbium Doped Fiber Amplifier, Single Mode Fiber, Quality Factor.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing technology is known as the best technology to transmit optical signals of different frequency (wavelength) in a single optical fiber for long distance communication. With the increasing in traffic rate, the requirement of people depends on quality is higher for communication, so enormous quantity of bandwidth is needed to provide services to the consumers [1].

In DWDM network we can expand the existing network without using new optical fiber. The capacity of the network only varies in end of the systems. By applying 1550 nm or third optical window we can achieve small attenuation in optical fiber.

EDFA amplifier is used to transmit optical signal in a successful way it will amplify the weak signals using laser pumps. Erbium is an element it emits light at wavelength of 1.54 $\mu$ m. Performance of Raman Amplifier is better than EDFA by enlarging the gain bandwidth, eliminating noise and gain characteristics. The combination of both EDFA and Raman Amplifier is under research to utilize the optical bandwidth.

Before planning to design the network we must technically adequate the components like multiplexer, de-multiplexer, and amplifier, for future extension to accommodate changes in

network traffic. The basic function of DWDM network is explained in Section II. [2]

Using Simulation software optisystem, a 40 channel point to point approach metro DWDM transmission network model was designed in this paper.

## II. BASIC FUNCTION OF DWDM NETWORK

To avoid loss, the system uses huge bandwidth in fiber. By using the wavelength division multiplexer the signal light source can be send to the single mode fiber with different wavelength for transmission. Each light signal will be spitted depends on carrier signal. SMF fiber is used for long distance communication, for each 50km distance we need amplification for the light signal to achieve the target then it will de-multiplexed and service will be provide to the consumers [3][4].

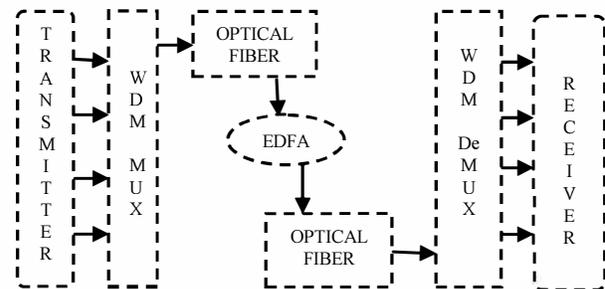


Fig. 1. DWDM System Block Diagram

## III. THE 40 CHANNEL DWDM NETWORK

An optical communication system consists of transponder, communication channel and receiver. The function of transponder is to convert a wide pulse optical signal into narrow wavelength of the order of 1.6 nm, then the signals will be send to communication channel. The receiver receives the colored output from the demux and converted into the wide pulse optical signal. The output power level is +1 to -3dBm [5].

### A. Transponder

WDM transmitter needs number of transmission lasers to be combined into a single fiber. The type and the number of lasers varies depend on the purpose and application. Here we use WDM transmitter to propagate optical source into a single

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optical fiber, depends on the lambda the laser source will be increased. In DWDM network we can expand the existing network without using new optical fiber. WDM transmitter parameters are shown in Table I.

TABLE I  
SPECIFICATION OF TRANSPONDER

| Name              | Value   |
|-------------------|---------|
| Frequency         | 1555 nm |
| Frequency Spacing | 100 GHz |
| Power             | -5 dBm  |
| Extinction ratio  | 30 dB   |
| Line width        | 0.1 MHz |
| No of O/P ports   | 40      |

B. Transmission Line

SMF is a high capacity optical fiber used for long distance communication. SMF was designed for 50Km. After a long haul in optical fiber the signal was attenuated therefore we need a EDFA amplifier. Designing a channel an EDFA was added to equalize the loss after the fiber and near to the receiver. SMF parameter is shown in Table II. In order to calculate the performance based on number of fiber and EDFA spans loop control is used. By using the loop control we can set the number of times the signal will propagate through the components [6] [7].

TABLE II  
SPECIFICATION OF SMF

| Name                   | Value                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Dispersion Coefficient | 16 Ps/(nm-Km)                  |
| Dispersion Slope       | 0.076 Ps/(nm <sup>2</sup> -Km) |
| Non Linear Coefficient | 0.35 1/(Km.W)                  |
| Linear Loss            | 0.2 dB/Km                      |
| Length                 | 50Km                           |
| Attenuation            | 0.5dBm                         |

TABLE III  
SPECIFICATION OF EDFA

| Name           | Value        |
|----------------|--------------|
| Operation mode | Gain Control |
| Gain           | 10dB         |
| Power          | 15dBm        |
| Noise figure   | 5dB          |
| Operation mode | Gain Control |
| Gain           | 10dB         |

C. Receiver

Optical receiver is a combination of PIN Photodiode and 3R regenerator. It provides the operation on optical fiber communication, which is the important part in fiber optics and depends on the extent will vary. The overall performance of fiber optic communication is depends on Bit Error Rate and Q-Factor. With the standard increase of optical communication in single mode fiber, effects of spontaneous emission and noise in the receiver are partially increasing therefore BER is a important one in optical communication. The important criteria are 10<sup>-9</sup> for optical receivers. The structure is shown in

Fig. 2.

D. Estimation of lambda for DWDM network

In the DWDM network estimation of lambda is very important. In this scenario, estimation of lambda is taken for various cities like A, B and C. the estimation of lambda is taken in period of 5 years. For land line users, mobile users, data services, video services lambda is estimated. The below TABLE III shown an example scenario of the estimation of lambda for DWDM network.

TABLE IV  
ESTIMATION OF LAMBDA

| Estimation of lambda for city A | 2009-2014 | 2015-2019 |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Land line User                  | 17261     | 22065     |
| Mobile User                     | 23015     | 29420     |
| Land line Data Services         | 5753      | 7355      |
| Mobile Data Services            | 11507     | 14710     |
| Video Services                  | 3452      | 4413      |

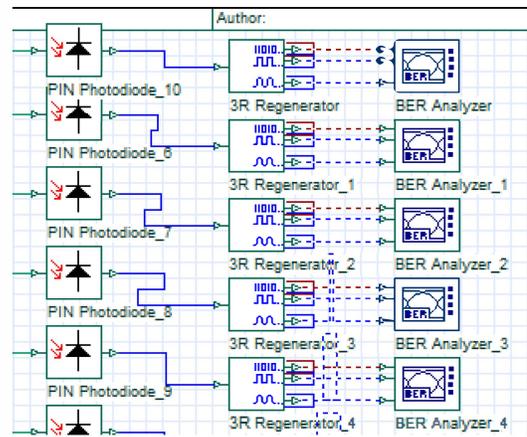


Fig. 2. Structure of Receiver

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

DWDM system simulation model is shown in Fig 3. In order to control inter symbol crosstalk, 100GHz channel spacing is selected in design [8][9].

A. Spectrum analysis

Optical spectrum analyzer is used to split signals in constituent wave length. The signal is graphically displayed, with power on horizontal axis and wavelength on vertical axis. Spectrum analyzer in the transmitter side and receiver side indicates the spectrum signal of each signal. Each channel the spectrum will be same but it will vary in amplitude due to long transmission. Spectrum signal of transmitter and receiver are shown in Fig. 4, Fig. 5.

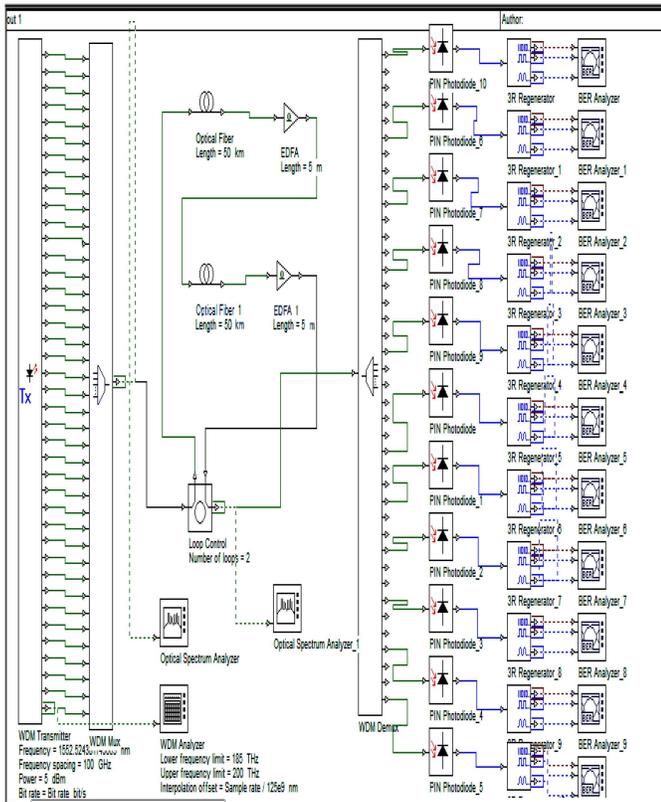


Fig. 3. Simulation Model of 40-Channel DWDM System

**B. WDM Analyzer**

To verify the system setting here we use WDM analyzer, it will monitor the signal power, noise power, and signal to noise ratio of each channel.

TABLE V TRANSMITTER SIDE SPECTRUM ANALYZER VALUES

| Wavelength            | Amplitude            |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Center: 1.5412798485m | Max: -11.48788567dBm |
| Start: 1.51897086m    | Min: -104.2148625dBm |
| Stop: 1.563588836m    |                      |

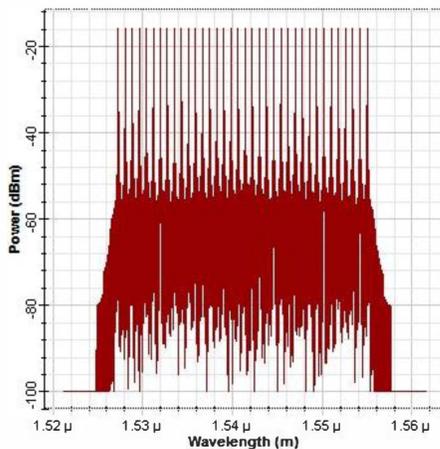


Fig. 4 Spectrum Analyzer of transmitter side

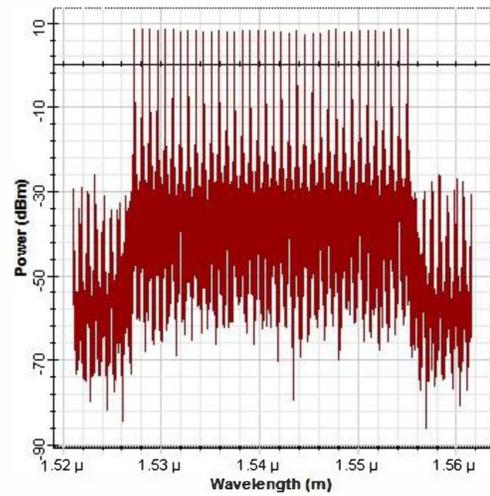


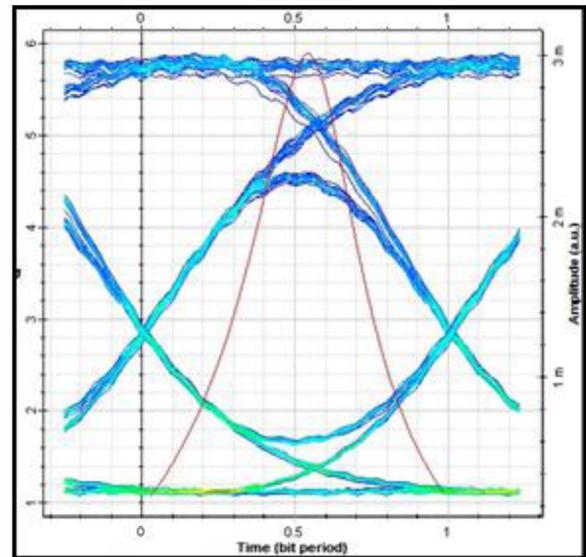
Fig. 5. Spectrum Analyzer of receiver side

TABLE VI RECEIVER SIDE SPECTRUM ANALYZER VALUES

| Wavelength            | Amplitude         |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Center: 1.5412798485m | Max: 13.376644384 |
| Start: 1.51897086m    | Min: -90.89712460 |
| Stop: 1.563588836m    |                   |

**C. Eye diagram analysis**

The eye diagram is used to view the performance in digital transmission. The eye diagram provides the instantaneous view by repetitively to achieve good view of its behavior[10].



|                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| Max. Q Factor  | 15.7692      |
| Min. BER       | 3.68362e-009 |
| Eye Height     | 0.0143276    |
| Threshold      | 0.0153354    |
| Decision Inst. | 0.53125      |

Fig. 6. Eye diagram analysis of Channel 1

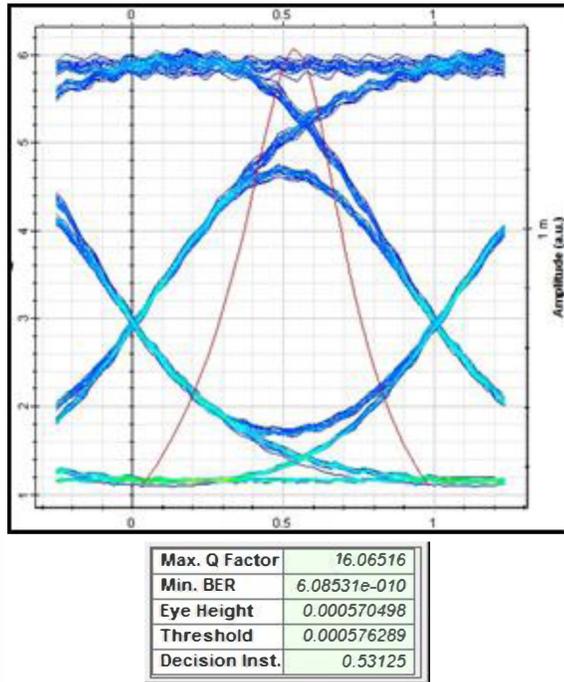


Fig. 7. Eye diagram analysis of Channel 20

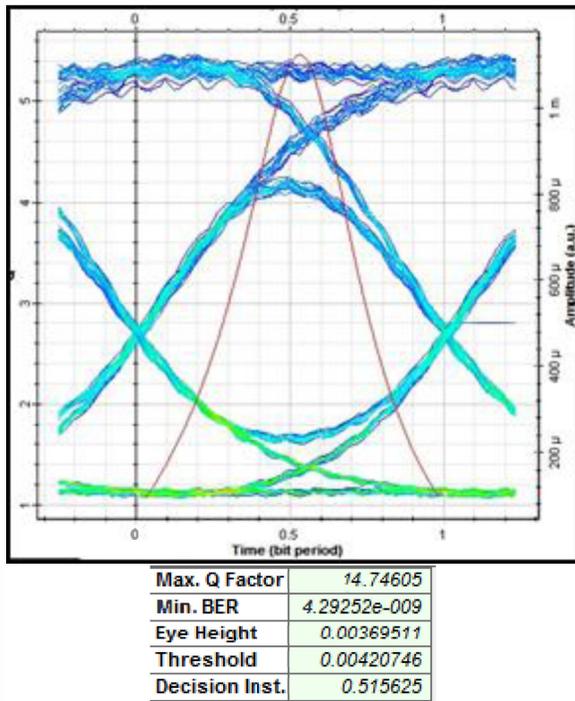


Fig. 8. Eye diagram analysis of Channel 40

V. CONCLUSION

This paper presents the performance evaluation of Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing (DWDM) using NRZ modulation schemes. The transmitter section consists of 40 channels, with 5dBm input power and here we use single mode fiber length of 100Km with channel spacing of 100GHz. The

Bit Error rate we achieved is  $10^{-9}$  for all channels. DWDM Network of optical fiber communication is designed through optisystem. From the above; WDM transmitter should be used in design of long distance transmission with EDFA and SMF to ensure the communication quality. In future the work will be extended to 80 channel DWDM system and the performance will be evaluated.

TABLE VII  
SPECIFICATION OF SMF

| Parameters    | Proposed Model   |
|---------------|--|
| No of Channel | 40   |
| Q-factor      | Channel 1=15.7692<br>Channel 4=15.8128<br>Channel 8=15.7202<br>Channel 12=15.7100<br>Channel 16=15.9162<br>Channel 20=16.0651<br>Channel 24=15.6028<br>Channel 28=15.1590<br>Channel 32=14.8301<br>Channel 36=14.8560<br>Channel 40=14.7460  |
| Min. BER      | Channel 1=3.68362e-009<br>Channel 4=4.02815e-009<br>Channel 8=2.89754e-009<br>Channel 12=3.5489e-009<br>Channel 16=5.2694e-009<br>Channel 20=6.0853e-010<br>Channel 24=3.5618e-009<br>Channel 28=1.5894e-009<br>Channel 32=2.5128e-009<br>Channel 36=4.0238e-009<br>Channel 40=4.2925e-009 |
| Power (dBm)   | 5  |
| Distance (Km) | 100  |
| Dispersion    | Negligible   |

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