

Reti in fibra ottica – Formulario

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Lightwave Basics

Physical Constants

Description	Value	Symbol
Velocity of Light	2.9979×10^8 m/s	c
Electron Charge	1.602×10^{-19} C	q
Planck Constant	6.626×10^{-34} J·s	h
Boltzman Constant	1.38×10^{-23} J/K	k

Conversion formulae between frequency and wavelength

Absolute frequency/wavelength: $f = \frac{c}{l}$

Frequency/wavelength intervals: $\Delta f = -\frac{c}{l^2} \Delta l$

Optical power:
$$\begin{cases} P_{dBm} = 10 \log_{10} (P_{mW}) \\ P_{mW} = 10^{P_{dBm}/10} \end{cases}$$

Propagation of light in optical fibers

Velocity of light in dielectric of index n : $v = \frac{c}{n}$

Dispersion limits in step index multimode fibers

Normalized Frequency Parameter V: $V = k_0 a (n_1^2 - n_2^2)^{1/2} = \left(\frac{2\pi}{l_0} \right) a n_1 \sqrt{2\Delta}$

In order to have a Single Mode Fiber: $V \leq 2.405$

In order to have a Multi Mode Fiber: $V > 2.405$

Amount of pulse broadening in a step index multimode fiber: $dT = L \cdot \frac{n_1^2}{n_2} \cdot \frac{\Delta}{c}$

Bit Rate Limit: $dT < \frac{1}{2B}$, $BL < \frac{n_2 c}{2n_1^2 \Delta}$

Dispersion limit in graded index multimode fibers

Amount of pulse broadening in a step index multimode fiber: $dT = \frac{Ln_1}{8c} \Delta^2$

Bit Rate Limit: $dT < \frac{1}{2B}$, $BL < \frac{4c}{n_1\Delta^2}$

Transmission Systems Design

Single-Span Without Amplifiers

Available Power Budget: $\bar{P}_{TX,dBm} - \bar{P}_{sens,dBm}$

System degradation: $a_{dB} \cdot L + a_{spl} + a_{conn} + a_{bends} + a_{path} + m$

Maximum distance: $L_{max,pract} = \frac{\bar{P}_{TX,dBm} - \bar{P}_{sens,dBm} - a_{spl} - a_{conn} - a_{bends} - a_{path} - m}{a_{dB}}$

Quantum limit: $BER = \frac{1}{2} e^{-2\bar{N}_{RX}}$, $\bar{N}_{RX} = \frac{\bar{P}_{RX}}{h\nu \cdot R_B} = \frac{\bar{P}_{RX} \cdot T}{h\nu}$ = number of average photons per

bit

Single-Span with RX Optical Amplifier

The Optical Signal-to-Noise Ratio over a bandwidth R_B :

$$OSNR \equiv \frac{\bar{P}_{signal}^{out}}{(G-1) \cdot F \cdot h\nu \cdot R_B}, \quad OSNR|_{dB} \equiv \bar{P}_{signal}^{out}|_{dBm} - G|_{dB} - F_{EDFA}|_{dB} - P_{base}|_{dBm}$$

$$P_{base}|_{dBm} = 10 \cdot \log_{10}(h\nu \cdot R_b \cdot 10^3), \quad h=6.6261 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}, \quad \nu = 193.41 \text{ THz} \text{ (@ } 1550 \text{ nm)}$$

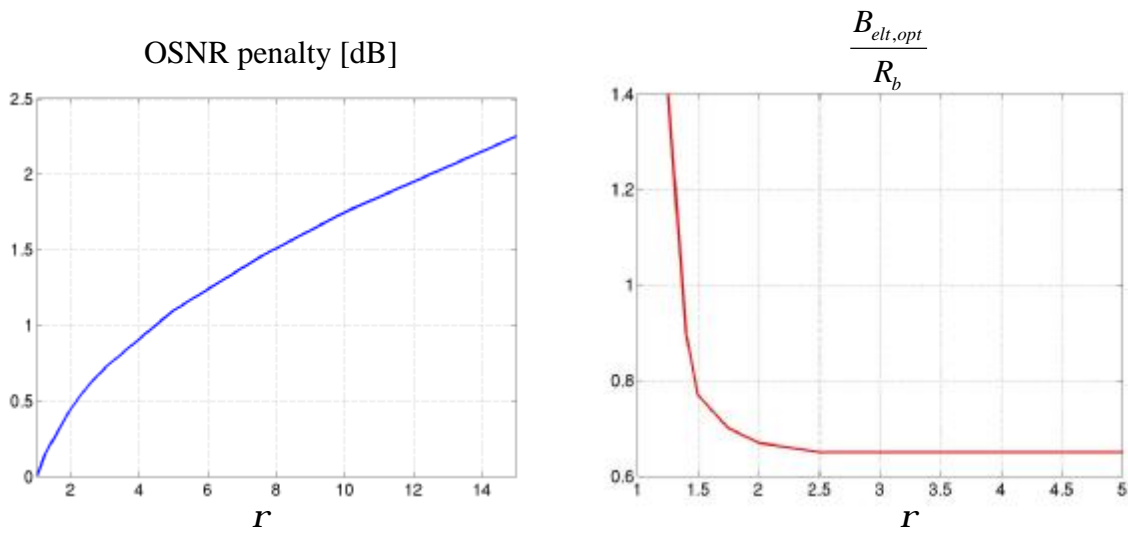
Tables of typical values of P_{base} at 1550 nm for different bandwidths

Bandwidth over which P_{base} is defined	P_{base} (dBm)
2.5 GHz	-54.9 dBm
10 GHz	-48.9 dBm
40 GHz	-42.9 dBm
0.1 nm	-47.9 dBm
0.5 nm	-40.9 dBm

The Bit Error Rate: $P(e) \equiv \frac{1}{2} e^{-0.98 \cdot OSNR}$ (ideal matched optical filter+photodiode, the

$OSNR$ is defined over a bandwidth equal to the bit rate)

Ratio between the optical – 3dB filter bandwidth and the bit-rate: $r = \frac{B_{opt}}{R_B}$



Multi-Span, with In-line Optical Amplifiers

The Optical Signal-to-Noise Ratio OSNR, defined over a bandwidth equal to the bit rate:

$$OSNR = \frac{\bar{P}_{TX}}{2N_{span} \cdot N_0 \cdot R_B}, \quad OSNR|_{dB} \cong \bar{P}_{signal}^{out}|_{dBm} - a_{span} - 10 \log_{10} N_{span} - F_{EDFA}|_{dB} - P_{base}|_{dBm}$$

Propagation in Optical Fibers

Group delay: $t_g = \frac{L}{n_g}$; Group velocity: $n_g = \frac{c}{n_g}$, $n_g = 1.5$

The dispersion parameter D: $D \triangleq \frac{d}{d\lambda}(t_g) \Big|_{\text{over 1Km}} \left[\frac{\text{ps}}{\text{nm} \cdot \text{km}} \right]$

Relative delay: $\Delta_{\text{delay}} = D \cdot L \cdot \Delta\lambda$

Accumulated delay over different pieces of fibers:

$$\Delta_{\text{delay,tot}} = \Delta_{\text{delay,1}} + \Delta_{\text{delay,2}} = (D_1 \cdot L_1 + D_2 \cdot L_2) \cdot \Delta\lambda$$

The dispersion parameter β_2 : $b_2 = \frac{d}{d\omega}(t_g) \Big|_{\text{over 1Km}} \left[\frac{\text{ps}^2}{\text{km}} \right]$

Relative delay: $\Delta_{\text{delay}} = L \cdot |b_2| \cdot \Delta\omega = L \cdot |b_2| \cdot 2\pi \cdot \Delta f$

Dispersion parameters β_2 and D: $D = -\frac{2\pi c}{\lambda^2} b_2$

Higher Order Dispersion: $S = \frac{dD}{d\lambda} \left[\frac{\text{ps}}{\text{nm}^2 \cdot \text{km}} \right]$, $b_3 = \frac{db_2}{d\omega} \left[\frac{\text{ps}^3}{\text{km}} \right]$

Dispersion limits

Case #1: large spectrum optical sources, $D \neq 0$

$$(B_r \cdot L)_{\text{max}} \leq \frac{1}{2|D|\Delta\lambda_{\text{opt}}}$$

Case #2: large spectrum optical sources, $D=0$

$$(B_r \cdot L)_{\text{max}} \leq \frac{1}{|S|(\Delta\lambda_{\text{opt}})^2 \sqrt{8}}$$

Case #3: external modulation, $D \neq 0$

$$(B_r^2 L)_{\text{max}} \leq \frac{1}{8|b_2|}$$

Case #4: external modulation, $D=0$

$$(B_r^3 L)_{\text{max}} \leq \frac{(0.324)^3}{|b_3|}$$