# A mitigation of channel crosstalk effect in dispersion shifted fiber based on durability of modulation technique

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### **ABSTRACT**

In fiber optics the Four Wave Mixing (FWM) has the harmful effect of an optical transmission system that can severely limit Wavelength Division Multiplexing (WDM) and reduce the transmission aptness. This work preset the durability of the different modulation format was tested to FWM by using Dispersion Shifted Fiber (DSF). Moreover, the performance of the proposed system is surveyed by changing the fiber length and applying an information rate of 200 Gb/s. The experimental results show that the FWM capacity has decreased significantly by more than 14 dB when applying Return to Zero (RZ) modulation form. In addition, in terms of the propsed system performance in the first channel and with 700 km distance, it was observed that the lower Bit Error Rate (BER) in the normal RZ modulation is equal to 1.3×10<sup>-13</sup>. As well as it is noticeable when applied the Non Return to Zero (NRZ), the Modified Duobinary Return to Zero (MDRZ) and Gaussian modulation, the system performance will be quickly changed and getting worse, where the BERs increased to  $1.3\times10^{-4}$ ,  $1.3\times10^{-6}$  and  $1.3\times10^{-6}$ consecutively at same channel and for the same parameters.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

With the fast development of telecommunication services, the needing for large capacity transmission has been increased. Therefore, dense wavelength-division multiplexing systems may be a suitable approach to cover these demands [1-3]. For WDM systems and in the presence of high bit rate per channel, the obstacle consequences of dispersion together with nonlinearity have to be managed to accomplish transmission through each valuable distance. Nonlinear effects are one of the most optical transmission system restrictions. When the total light power in a fiber is increased, the nonlinear effect becomes uncontrolled and may affect signal efficiency and degrade system performance [4]. One of the main factors that may cause interference in transmission systems, where there are channels are arranged to separate them from similar distances, is called the FWM. For optical communication systems, suppressing FWM efficiency is the main objective. A few methods were done to mitigate the defect of FWM efficiency and also modify the signal output [5-14].

Dispersion compensation techniques using fibers with opposite dispersion values are a crucial method in which the whole cumulative dispersal will be kept low. In these techniques, it employs Single-Mode Fiber (SMF) with Dispersion Compensation Fiber (DCF), the largest negative value of dispersal of DCF enable us to neutralize the positive dispersal of SMF [15, 16]. In standard transmission distances, the RZ and NRZ modulation forms are in most cases employed. The experiments and surveys have offered

that RZ takes into account to be top priority relative to the normal NRZ systems, as long as typical single-mode fibers are utilized as communication media [17, 18]. Whereas, due to the narrower optical spectrum of the NRZ format, NRZ can achieve higher spectral efficiency in WDM systems in comparison to RZ in the linear pattern. Recently, methods of optical multiplexing and demultiplexing with the combination of delay lines are one of the considerable various FWM suppression methods [19], In addition, the use of polarization technique and the technique of space between the channels contributed to reduce interference with the signals transmitted to some extent [20-23]. For all techniques done, the level of FWM crosstalk on the main channels still not much suppressed and thus the system efficiency stays low and must be improved. The features of FWM are very connected with the modulation forms. Under high data rate effect, FWM crosstalk will change and depend on the immunity of modulation formats. This work presents the durability of NRZ, RZ, MDRZ and Gaussian modulation to the FWM nonlinear under high data rate of 200 Gb/s. The suggested system design was implemented with different transmission distances and input signal power around 12 dBm.

### 2. MOSELING AND PROPOSED SYSTEM DESIGN

Figure 1 clarifies the proposed system design. The transmitter and receiver are the two basic elements which the suggested system design is made up from. To produce the carrier signal at the transmitter component, the continual wave laser layout (L1–L4) is employed. The frequency of first channel is adjusted to 191.5 THz, and the interval between every channel and another is 100 GHz. Every channel is modulated with 50Gb/s Bit rate. The external modulator consists of NRZ, MDRZ, RZ and Gaussian transmitter circuits.

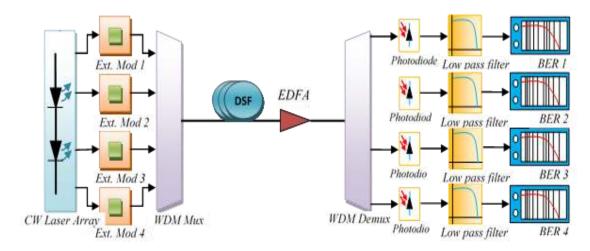


Figure 1. Proposed system design of NRZ, MDRZ and RZ

The transmitter system configuration of every modulation utilized is illustrated in Figure 2. At the point, an intensity modulator called Mach Zehnder Modulator (MZM) is connected to the transmitter system. Seven spans that the optical link includes. Also, each span is consists of Dispersion Shifted Fiber and follow it by optical fiber amplifiers, which own noise figure, magnitude of 5dB and gains of 20 dB. When the signal communicates by the channel of the optical fiber, the signal will be detected and obtained at the receiver. An Avalanche Photo Diode (APD) is used to detect the signal to obtain a direct detection. From that point, it is transmitted by the low-pass Bessel filter. The BER analyzer is directly connected to the electrical filter is utilized to produce the diagram. Table 1 illustrates the system simulation parameters.

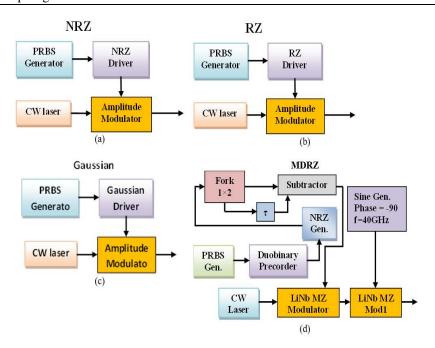


Figure 2. Proposed block diagram of optical transmitter for: (a) NRZ, (b) RZ, (c) Gaussian and (d) MDRZ

Table 1. Parameters specifications of optical transmission system

| Parameter                              | Unit                 | Values              |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|
| Input power, P <sub>i</sub>            | dBm                  | 12                  |
| Number of channel, N <sub>c</sub>      |                      | 4                   |
| Total data rate, B                     | Gb/s                 | 200                 |
| Input frequencies, Fin                 | (THz)                | 191.5 -191.8        |
| Channel Spacing, Δf                    | (GHz)                | 100                 |
| Fiber Parameters                       |                      |                     |
| Fiber type                             | DSF G.653            |                     |
| Length of fiber, L                     | Km                   | 100 to 700          |
| Fiber dispersion, D <sub>c</sub>       | ps/nm.km             | 0.3                 |
| Dispersion slope                       | ps/nm²⋅km            | 0.075               |
| Cross effective area, A <sub>eff</sub> | $\mu$ m <sup>2</sup> | 50                  |
| Degeneracy factor, D                   |                      | 6                   |
| Third order Susceptibility, X111       | m3/w.s               | $6 \times 10^{-15}$ |
| Refractive index                       | n                    | 1.48                |

The thermal along with shot noises are occurring, the probability distribution functions will be Gaussian act. The significant issue which is seen that the FWM commotions have likelihood circulation probability isn't Gaussian. This issue is causing disturbance on both thermal with shot noises [24]. Optical amplifier noise is deemed as well. The interference between amplified spontaneous emission (ASE) noise and FWM noise is ignored [25]. In the Gaussian estimation the error probability is written as [24]:

$$P_{e} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{0}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{t^{2}}{2}\right) dt. \tag{1}$$

with

$$Q = \frac{{}_{K P_{S}}}{\sqrt{N_{th} + N_{sh} + N_{amp} + 2K^{2}P_{S}^{2}C_{IM}^{(m)} + \sqrt{N_{th}}}}.$$
(2)

where:

$$K = \frac{\eta_d e}{hf}. ag{3}$$

$$P_{S} = GL_{t}P_{1}. (4)$$

$$N_{th} = \frac{Q_0^2}{4} \left( \frac{KP_{s0}}{Q_0^2} - \Re \right)^2. \tag{5}$$

$$N_{sh} = \Re K P_s. \tag{6}$$

$$N_{amp} = k_a K^2 (G - 1)(m + 1) L_t P_s. (7)$$

$$k_a = 4n_{sp}hfB_f. (8)$$

$$C_{IM}^{(m)} = \frac{1}{8} \sum_{p \neq q \neq r \neq s} \frac{P_{pqr}}{P_{s}} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{p \neq q \neq r = s} \frac{P_{pqs}}{P_{s}} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{p = q \neq r} \frac{P_{ppr}}{P_{s}}.$$
 (9)

Here,  $C_{IM}^{(m)}$  is the crosstalk components of the FWM,  $P_s$  is the signal light peak power received,  $N_{th}$  is the power of thermal noise,  $N_{sh}$  is the power for shot noise,  $N_{amp}$  is the noise power for optical amplifier.  $\eta_d$  is the detector quantum efficiency, e is the electric charge, h is Planck's constant, and f is the light frequency. G is the gain of optical pre-amplifier, m is the nodes number,  $L_t$  is the optical pre-amplifier coupling loss, and  $P_1$  is the input power into the pre-amplifier in channels one. In this work,  $Q_0$  is a Q value corresponding to a required BER,  $P_{so}$  is the signal light peak power received for a required ER with neither FWM nor ASE, and  $\mathcal{H} = 2e B_f M x$  where  $B_f$  is the bandwidth of electrical filter, M is the factor of APD current multiplication, and x is the excess noise factor of APD. Where the receiver parameters are  $B_f = 10$  GHz; M = 15, and x = 0.7 [24]. Where supposed that a quantum efficiency  $\eta_d$  of 85% is taken for an APD into consideration [26]. In random RZ, the bandwidth will be double compared to NRZ and both  $P_{pqr}$  and  $P_{pqs}$  will multiply by probability (0.25), and  $P_{ppr}$  multiply by probability (0.5), where the total probability of all FWM components equal to (1).

 $C_{IM}^{(m)}$  is replaced by  $C_{RRZ}^{(m)}$  as follows:

$$C_{RRZ}^{(m)} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{8} \sum_{p \neq q \neq r \neq s} \frac{P_{pqr}}{P_{s}} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \sum_{p \neq q \neq r \neq s} \frac{P_{pqs}}{P_{s}} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \sum_{p \neq q \neq r} \frac{P_{ppr}}{P_{s}}.$$
 (10)

In terms of NRZ modulation the FWM crosstalk will become as:

$$C_{NRZ}^{(m)} = \frac{1}{8} \sum_{p \neq q \neq r \neq s} \frac{P_{pqr}}{P_s} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{p \neq q \neq r \neq s} \frac{P_{pqs}}{P_s} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{p \neq q \neq r} \frac{P_{ppr}}{P_s}.$$
 (11)

$$P_{s} = -\frac{\kappa k_{a}(G-1)L_{t}(m+1) + \Re}{\kappa \left(4C_{IM}^{(m)} - 1/2Q^{2}\right)} + \frac{\sqrt{\left[\kappa k_{a}(G-1)L_{t}(m+1) + \Re\right]^{2} - N_{th}\kappa \left(8C_{IM}^{(m)} - 1/Q^{2}\right)}}{\kappa \left(4C_{IM}^{(m)} - 1/2Q^{2}\right)}.$$
(12)

$$Q = \frac{KP_{s}}{2\sqrt{N_{th} + N_{sh} + N_{amp} + 2K^{2}P_{s}^{2}C_{IM}^{(m)}}}.$$
(13)

## 3. RESULT ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSIONS

In this section, the fiber length effect on FWM power with four modulation, pulse types which are NRZ, MDRZ, RZ and Gaussian was evaluated. The system performance is simulated in terms of BER among modulation formats mention.

# 3.1. Averaged FWM crosstalk

System simulation was performed by increasing the fiber length values from 100 to 700 km, i.e., seven spans; with available simulations for all modulations. Figure 3 explains the FWM versus transmission distance variation under 200Gb\s. An increase in the transmission distance can increase the FWM crosstalk on the channel and thus decrease the optical system efficiency. At low values of transmission distance, the nonlinear effect has a little effect on system performance i.e. FWM was low. When the power of the channel increase the crosstalk will appear stronger and impairment the transmission system because it causes depletion of the channel power.

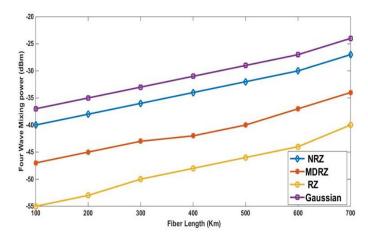


Figure 3. FWM power versus fiber length variation for different modulation

Figure 4(a-d) shows the optical spectrum of 700 km optical fiber. It is obvious from this figure that the FWM power was high and reaches to -24 dB in Gaussian modulation format, while the availability of both MDRZ and RZ modulation, the FWM powers were dropped to -34 and -40dBm respectively. This means that RZ modulation appears better to tolerate to FWM crosstalk compared to its competitors.

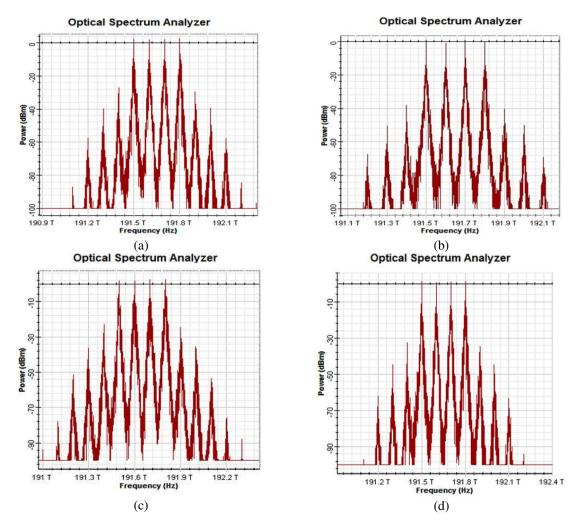


Figure 4. Optical spectrum analyzer after 700 km distance with modulation format types: (a) NRZ, (b) RZ, (c) Gaussian and (d) MDRZ

## 3.2. Bit error rate and eye diagram

Figure 5 explains the relation between the fiber lengths versus BER under data rate influence of 200 Gb\s. The system performance has been performed by using single mode fiber (SMF) and for three modulation types used. It can be seen that as an increment in the transmission distance lead to increase the bit error rate in the system. The trend of the system performance was similar to all channels used i.e the RZ reveals better system performance. It is observed from Figure 5(a), in the first channel, the RZ modulation technique offered a minimum BER of  $1.3 \times 10^{-13}$  at transmission distance of 700 km. However, with NRZ, MDRZ and Gaussian modulation, pulse, the BERs were  $1.3 \times 10^{-4}$ ,  $1.3 \times 10^{-6}$  and  $1.3 \times 10^{-2}$  respectively at the same channel and fiber length.

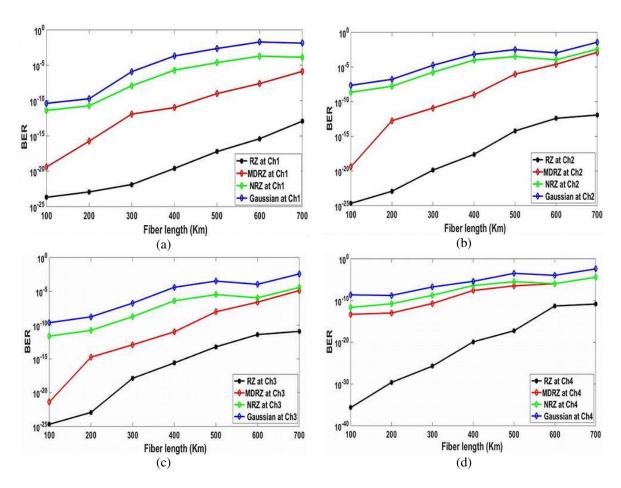


Figure 5. BER versus fiber length for modulation technique of (a) Ch1, (b) Ch2, (c) Ch3 and (d) Ch4

More importantly, it can be concluded from the modulation behavior with high values of both data rate and distance, that RZ modulation reveals more adequacy to nonlinear effect than NRZ and MDRZ. Figure 6 shows that the optimum eye diagram for all modulation used after 700 km and measured at the first channel. The optimum eye diagram was the height with RZ modulation of BER  $(1.2\times10^{-13})$ . Inversely with NRZ and Gaussian modulation, where the eye diagram was less clarity and high of BERs  $(1.3\times10^{-4})$  and  $(1.3\times10^{-2})$  consequently on same channel. More opening eyes diagram means that the RZ modulation has high firmness to nonlinear effect in high data rate, also improving in the succeeding rate of receiving bits (1 and 0) detection with little defect or no noise due to the overlapping.

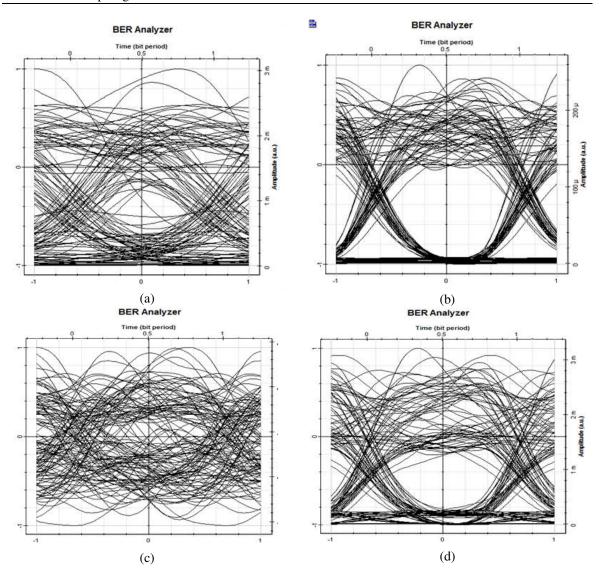


Figure 6. Eye diagram of modulation technique using (Ch1): (a) NRZ modulation, (b) RZ modulation, (c) Gaussian modulation and (d) MDRZ modulation

#### 4. CONCLUSION

This work provides a complete analysis of optical transmission performance under the influence of fiber length tuning and the use of high data rate with NRZ, RZ, MDRZ and Gaussian. Experimental results show that FWM power is suppressed by more than 14 dB through the proposed RZ modulation procedure. For BER in the first channel, RZ offers the lowest BER rate of  $(1.2\times10^{-13})$  at a distance of 700 km of fiber compared to the other configurations used. Finally, we can conclude that the RZ adjustment provides more robustness for crosstalk routing even with high value data rate.

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