

Simulation and Performance Analysis of 2-D Codes at 1 Gbps and 1.25 Gbps Data Rate for OCDMA LAN Applications

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ABSTRACT

Two main forces behind a lot of interest in the OCDMA techniques are the ability to support asynchronous, bursty data transmission and data access security. To achieve high speed connectivity with a large bandwidth, OCDMA is a highly flexible technique. This paper describes a simulated system for an incoherent OCDMA system using high performance 2-D codes. In this paper we have designed an OCDMA system for 1 Gbps and 1.25 Gbps using (8×4) wavelength hopped-time spreaded 2-D optical codes. The analysis takes into account the effect of data rate for increasing number of users at different length of fibers. The system performance is evaluated by Q-Factor analysis and timing diagram at different data rates i.e. 1 Gbps and 1.25 Gbps. Results show that the designed system provides adequate BER (10^{-9}) for 1 Gbps up to 10 users.

Keywords

Optical Orthogonal Codes (OOC's), Multiple Access Interference (MAI), Optical Code Division Multiple Access (O-CDMA), Q-Factor.

1. INTRODUCTION

Optical communication is a communication technique to transport information from one place to another by using light as a carrier and optical fiber as a transmission media. Optical fiber has

enormous communication capacity and the capacity of the communication depends on the carrier frequency [1]. The larger the carrier frequency, larger the available transmission bandwidth and therefore greater information capacity of the communication system [2]. Optical fiber has transmission loss as low as 0.2 dB/km. Fig 1 shows the block diagram of Optical CDMA system. In OCDMA system, the signal is broadcast to each subscriber in the network and a receiver in each node can detect the information sent to it from the assigned codeword. If the output of the decoder is in autocorrelation then the receiver can detect the signal sent to it from the pseudorandom signals. On the other hand, if the output of the decoder is in cross-correlation function, then receiver can not receive the information. So, in order to implement OCDMA system, codes with high autocorrelation & low cross correlation with sufficient performance are required. When a set of code is chosen, a code should be constructed such that it has a large dictionary of codeword as necessary and good auto and cross correlation so that the interference from other nodes can be covered up effectively by decoding the signals. The incoherent OCDMA system correspond to binary "1" and "0" using the presence of light signal and absence of light signal and implement unipolar encoding. But, the larger the number of subscribers in the network, the more serious is the Multiple Access Interference (MAI) and the bit error rate of the system increases [3].

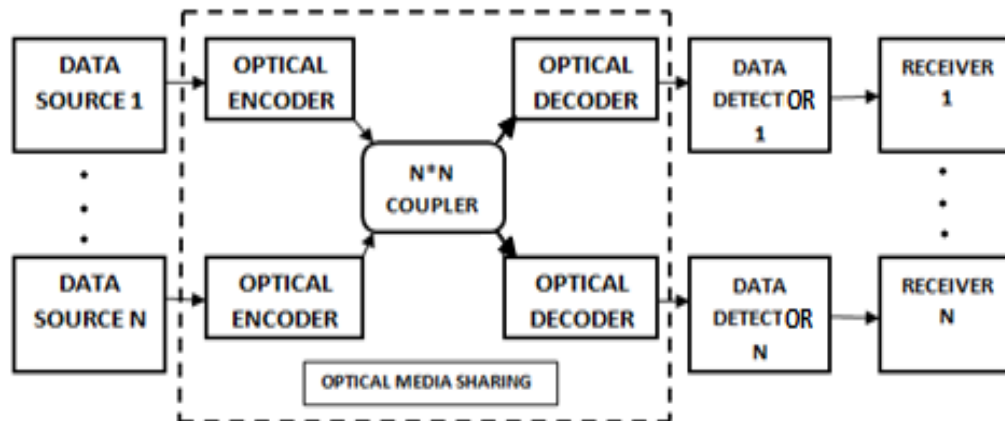


Fig 1: Block diagram of Optical CDMA system

To design an OCDMA system, the encoding and decoding technique that can exploit to generate and recognize appropriate code sequence is required. The encoder and decoder are the key components to implement OCDMA system. One unique codeword is assigned to each subscriber in an OCDMA system, which is chosen from specific OCDMA address code and therefore different users employ different address codewords. In an on-off keying pattern, the transmitter data is transmitted by each information bit “1” which is encoded into desired address codeword. However, transmitter does not construct any optical pulses when information bit “0” is set. Fixed optical encoders and decoders can only encode or decode subscribers data. But in tunable optical encoders and decoders, transmit and receive information from different subscribers during different period of time. Optical communication is the main part of digital communication in high speed LAN and MAN application. 2-D codes are of increasing interest as compared to Optical Orthogonal Codes and prime codes because of their high cardinality [4].

In this research we have designed the optical encoder & decoder structure by using frequency hopped-time spreaded 2-D codes. Further the OCDMA system is designed to check the performance of these 2-D codes. The performance of the OCDMA system is evaluated for various data rates i.e. 1 Gbps & 1.25 Gbps. Next section will describe the system design of OCDMA for LAN application.

2. SYSTEM DESIGN

CW Laser is used as an optical source in the OCDMA system. It generates a continuous wave (CW) optical signal. Pseudo Random Bit Sequence (PRBS) generator is used to generate random data of 2^6 pattern length. An electrical Non Return-to-Zero (NRZ) pulse generator is used to convert digital data into electrical signal. A Mach-Zehnder modulator, modulates the

multiplexed 8 wavelengths according to electrical data i.e. multiplexed by Wavelength Division Multiplexer (WDM). The modulated data signals are distributed to the respective encoders, which have been assigned a unique 2-D code respective to each encoder. In the encoder a splitter is used to split the carrier signal into four wavelengths. The encoder selects these four specific wavelengths from the carrier signal to produce the encoded bit sequence. The delay lines in the encoder place the pulses in their appropriate time slots and combiner combines these four pulses to form the encoded signal. Table I describes the time delay calculations for 1 Gbps & 1.25 Gbps OCDMA system.

TABLE I: Time Delay For Different Bit Rates

Chip Period (ns)	For 1 Gbps bit rate	For 1.25 Gbps bit rate
T1	0	0
T2	0.1250	0.1000
T3	0.2500	0.2000
T4	0.3750	0.3000
T5	0.5000	0.4000
T6	0.6250	0.5000
T7	0.7500	0.6000
T8	0.8750	0.7000

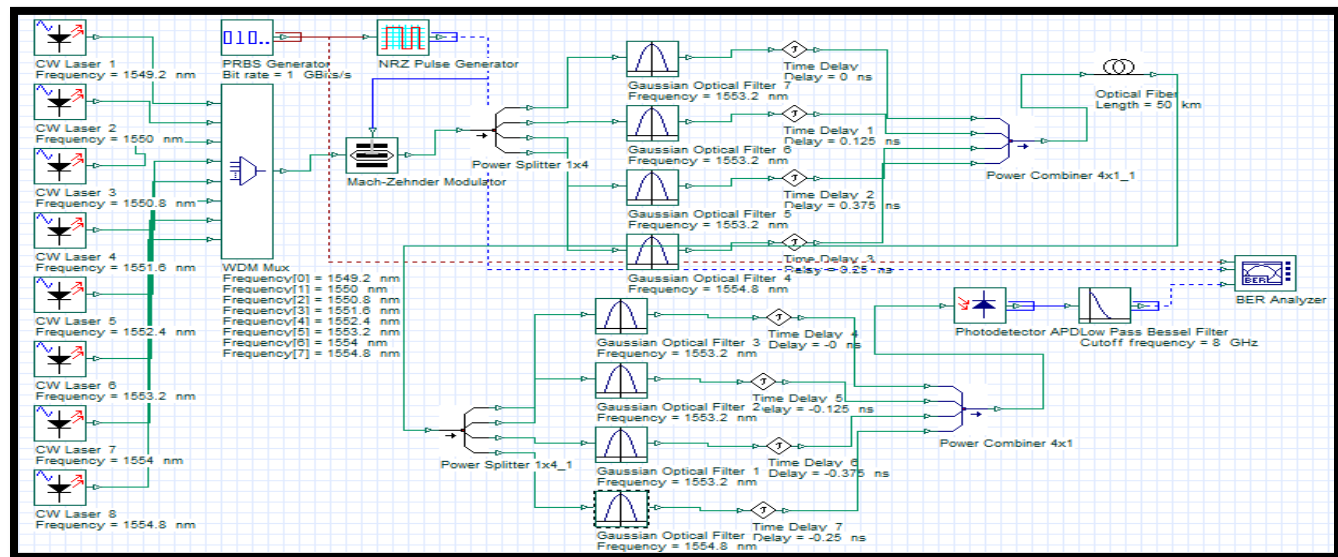


Fig 2: 1 Gbps OCDMA system for 1 user

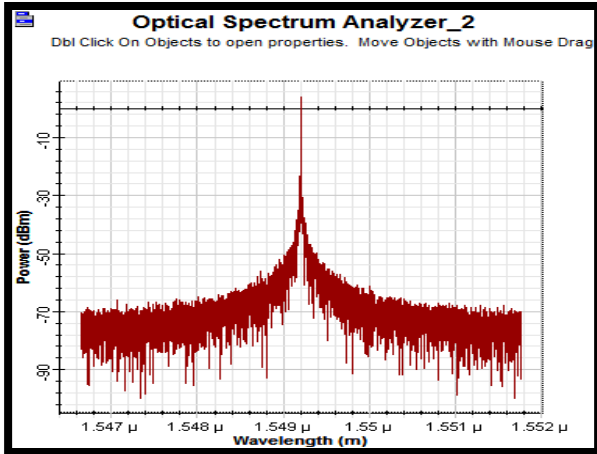


Fig 3: CW Laser output at 1549.2 nm

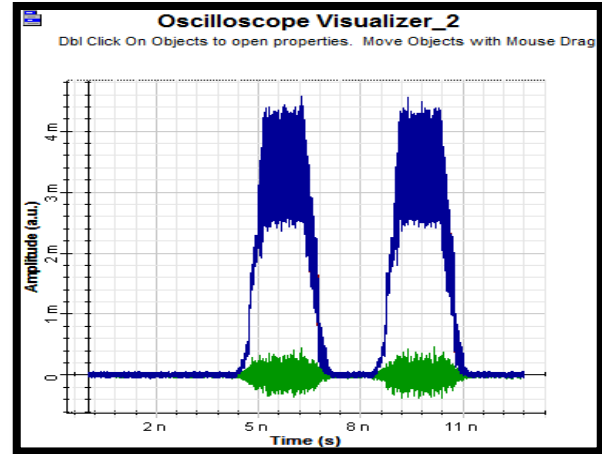


Fig 6: Photodetector output

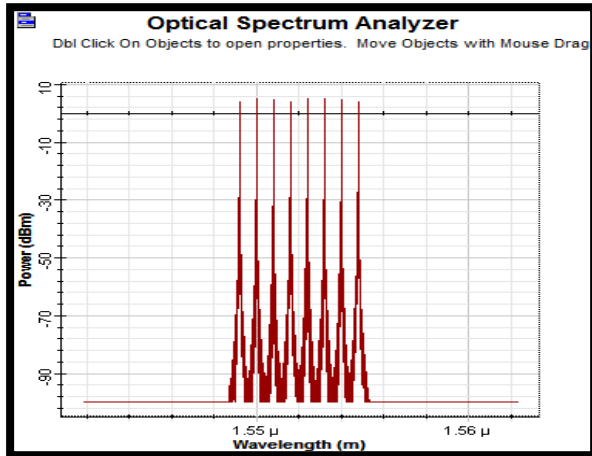


Fig 4: Spectrum at Multiplexer Output

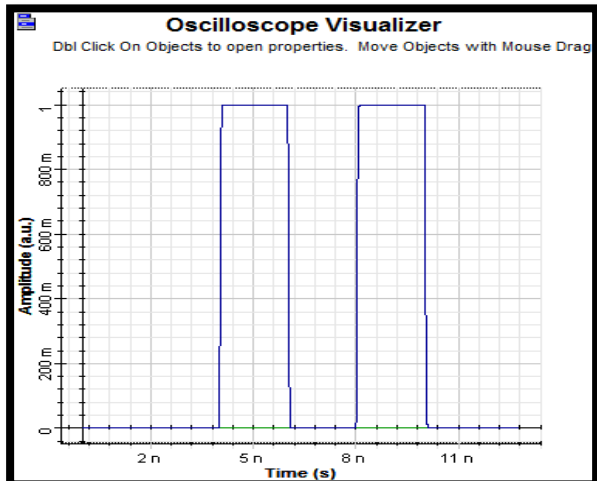


Fig 5: NRZ signal data bits

Thus the eight encoders of the system generate 8 encoded signals for 8 users, using code 1 through 8 of the code set specified in [5]. The design parameters of the transmitter module for OCDMA system represented in the Table II.

TABLE II: TRANSMITTER DESIGN PARAMETERS

Parameter (s)	Value
Wavelength for CW Laser 1	1549.2 nm
Wavelength spacing	0.8 nm
Power	5.5 dBm
Extinction ratio	30 dB
Linewidth	10 MHz
Initial phase	0 Deg.
Bit rate	1, 1.25 GBits/s

The encoded data from all users are combined and then passed through 50 km distance of Single Mode Fiber (SMF). The system is designed by including all the practical channel impairments. Table III represents the channel characteristics. The output signal from the fiber then passed through splitter and arrived at the user's decoder. The decoder tuned to a particular code, has the same structure as the corresponding encoder, but with inverse time delays. Then decoded signal arrives at photodetector to convert the optical signal into electrical. The output signal from the photodetector then passed through the electrical filter and arrived at different analyzers to visualize the actual received signal.

TABLE III. Receiver Design Parameters

Parameter (s)	Value
Dark Current	10 nA
Center frequency	1552.5 nm
Cutoff frequency	8 GHz
Insertion loss	0 dB

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The system has been designed for 1 Gbps and 1.25 Gbps OCDMA system. The analysis of incoherent OCDMA system based on 2-D codes for above mentioned data rates has been done. Q-Factor and timing diagram values are captured from BER analyzer and Oscilloscope Visualizer. Figure 7-11 is representing the timing diagram for one, two, four, eight and ten users at transmitter and receiver. It is cleared by these diagrams that the amplitude of the received signal is reduced in comparison transmitted signal. For 1 Gbps, simulation results show a continuous reduction in the received signal for one, two, four, eight and ten users at transmitter and receiver.

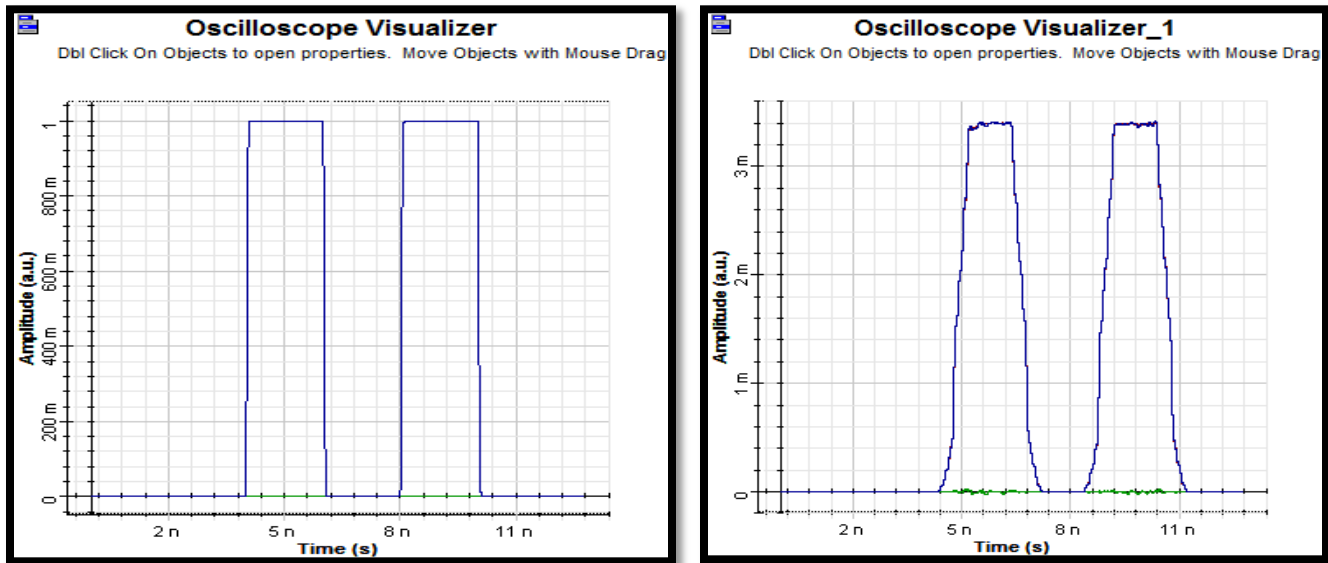


Fig 7: Timing diagrams at 1 Gbps for single user at transmitter and receiver

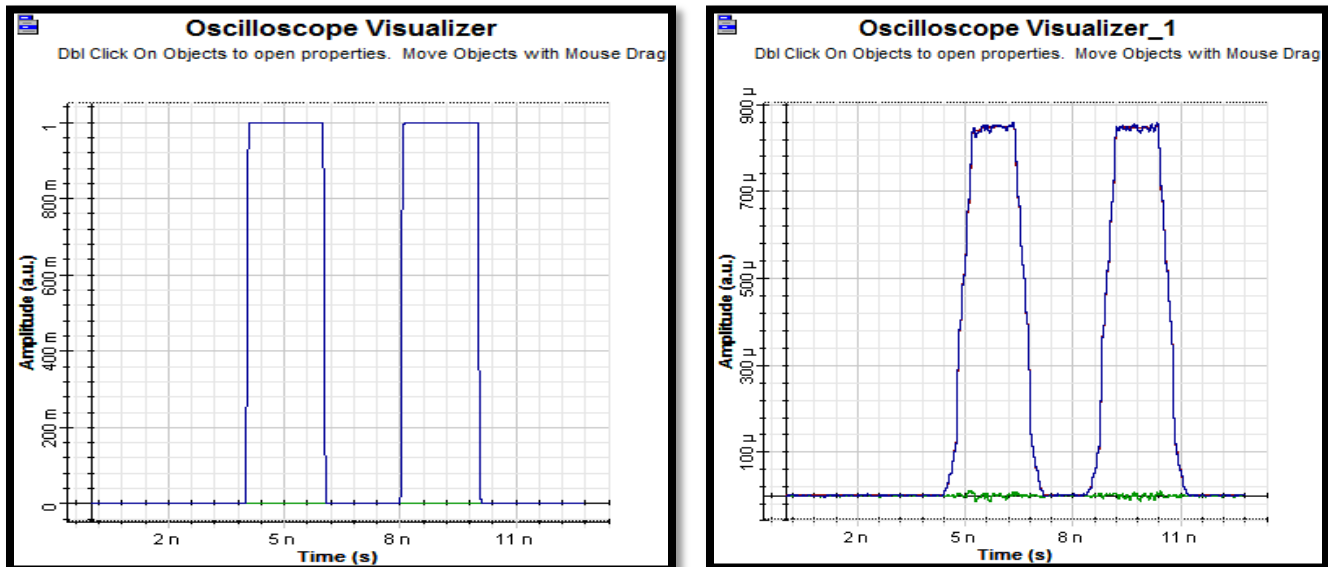


Fig 8: Timing diagrams at 1 Gbps for 2 users at transmitter and receiver

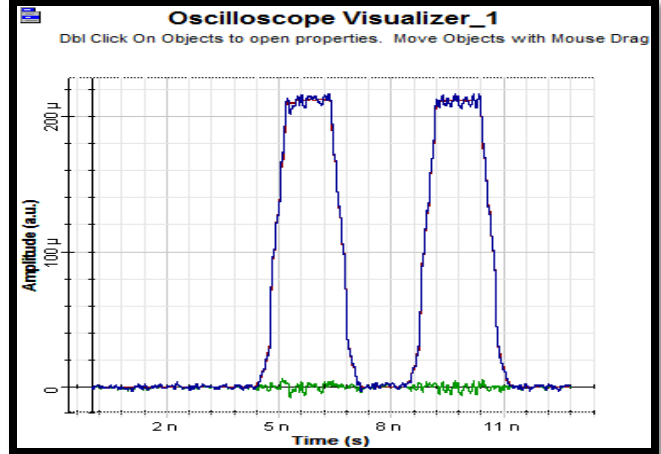
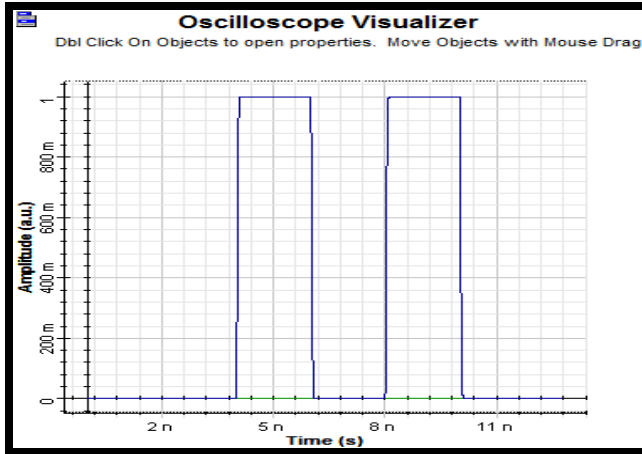


Fig 9: Timing diagrams at 1 Gbps for 4 users at transmitter and receiver

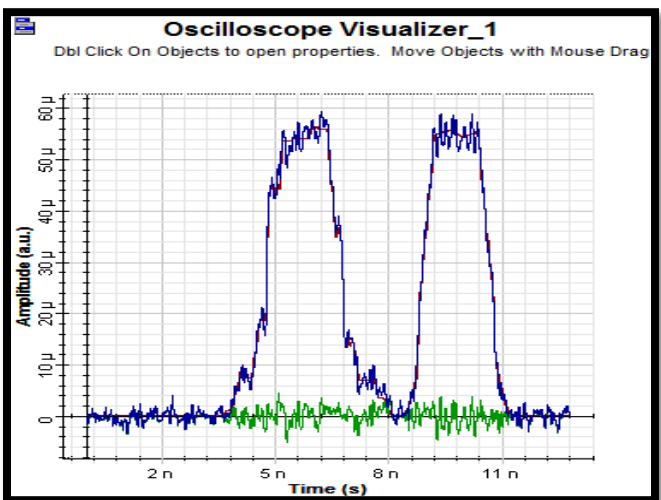
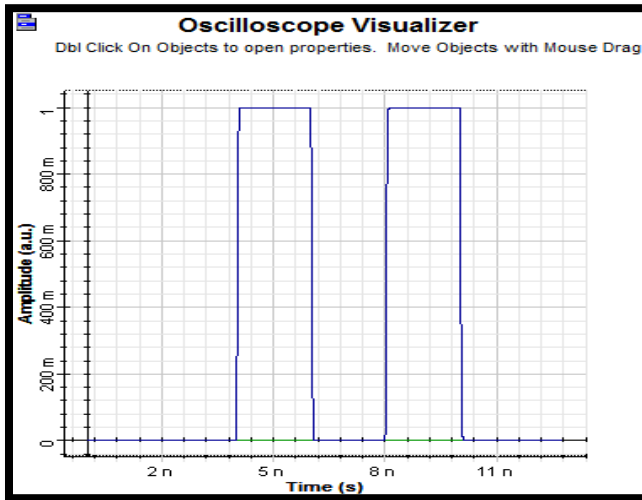


Fig 10: Timing diagrams at 1 Gbps for 8 users at transmitter and receiver

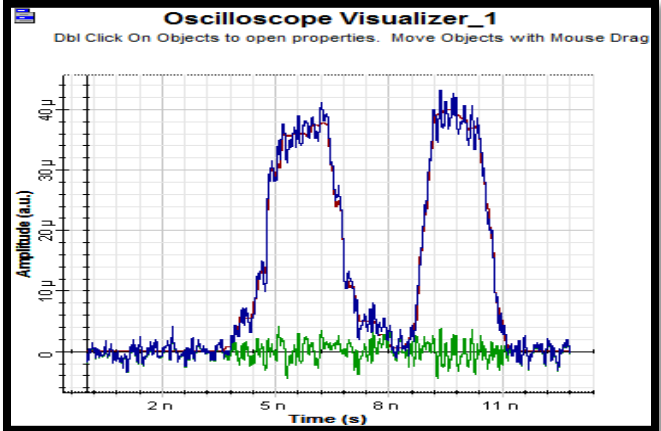
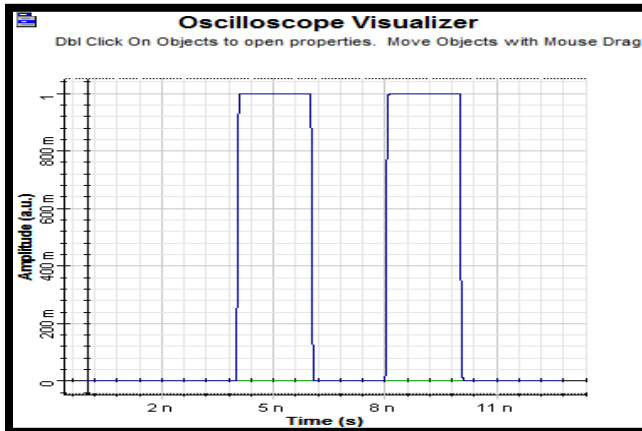


Fig 11: Timing diagrams at 1 Gbps for 10 users at transmitter and receiver

Fig 12 shows the graph of comparative analysis between Q-Factor and fiber length at various length of fibers for single user system at 1 and 1.25 Gbps data rate. The horizontal axis of the graph

indicates the fiber length while vertical axis shows the Q-Factor decreases [6].

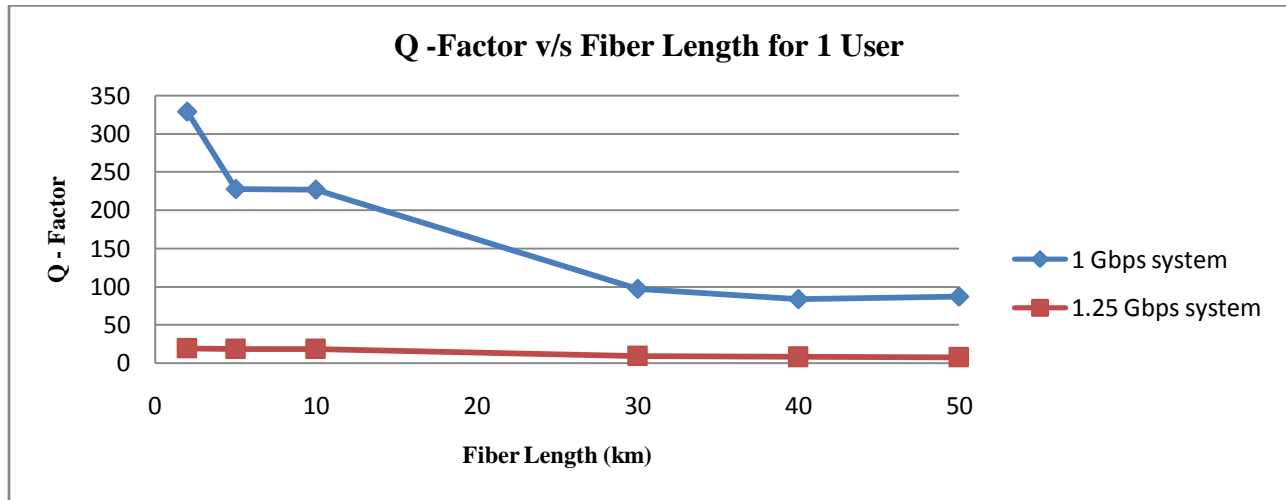


Figure 12: Q- Factor versus Fiber length for 1 user

From Fig 12 it is clear that as the distance increases the Quality factor decreases. For a distance increment from 2 km to 50 Km, the Quality factor of single user system decreases from a value of 329.06 to 86.83 at 1 Gbps data rate. For a distance increment from 2 km to 50 Km, the Quality factor of single user system decreases from a value of 18.91 to 7.55 at 1.25 Gbps bit rate. It can be seen that Q- Factor is decreasing when the fiber length is increasing.

This means that Q-Factor is the major factor influencing the OCDMA system performance. Fig 13 shows the graph of comparative analysis between Q-Factor and fiber length at various length of fibers for 2 user system at 1 and 1.25 Gbps data rate. The horizontal axis of the graph indicates the fiber length while vertical axis shows the Q-Factor decreases.

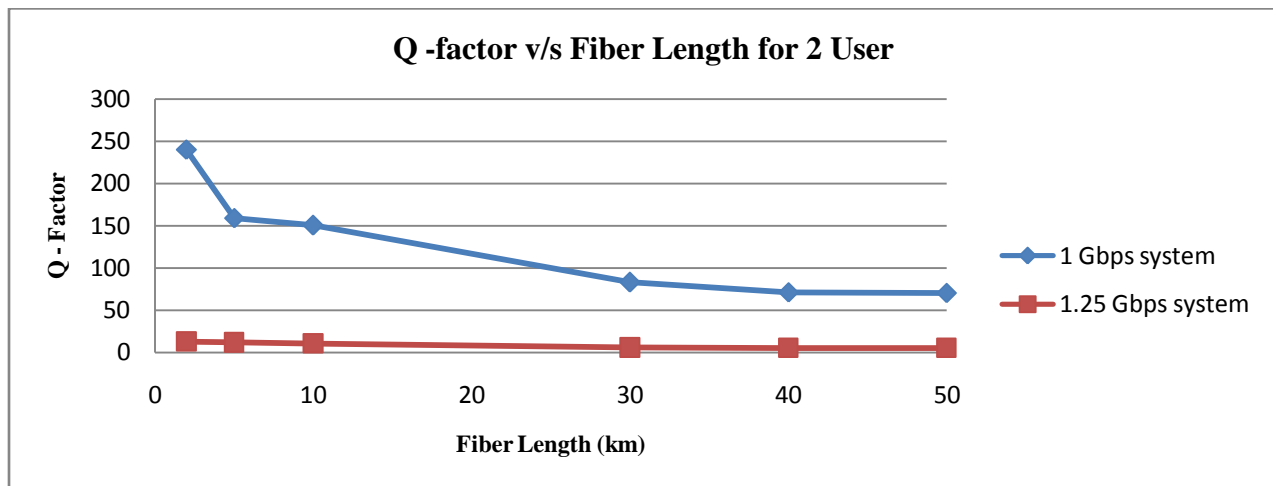


Figure 13: Q- Factor versus Fiber length for 2 users

From Fig 13 it is clear that as the distance increases the Quality factor decreases. For a distance increment from 2 km to 50 Km for 2 user system the Quality factor decreases from a value of 240.05 to 70.05 at 1Gbps data rate. For a distance increment from 2 km to 50 Km for 2 user system the Quality factor decreases from a value of 12.62 to 5.30 at 1.25 Gbps data rate. It can be seen

that Q- Factor is decreasing when the fiber length is increasing. Fig 14 shows the graph of comparative analysis between Q-Factor and fiber length at various length of fibers for 4 user system at 1 and 1.25 Gbps data rate. The horizontal axis of the graph indicates the fiber length while vertical axis shows the Q-Factor decreases [7].

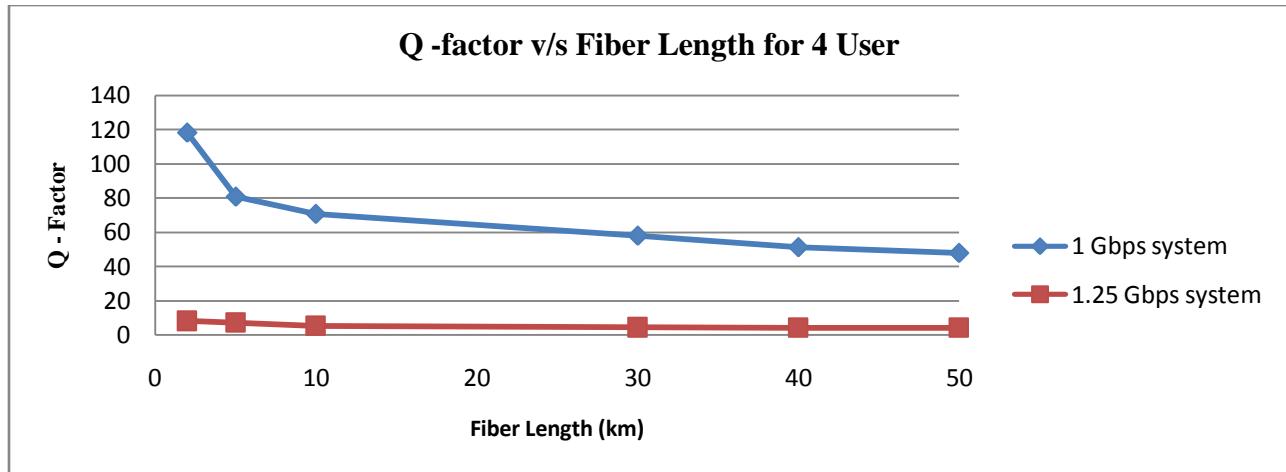


Figure 14: Q- Factor versus Fiber length for 4 users

From Fig 14 it is clear that as the distance increases the Quality factor decreases. For a distance increment from 2 km to 50 Km, the Quality factor of 4 user system decreases from a value of 118.28 to 48.10 at 1Gbps data rate. For a distance increment from 2 km to 50 Km, the Quality factor of 4 user system decreases from a value of 8.17 to 4.33 at 1.25 Gbps bit rate. It can be seen that Q-Factor is decreasing when the fiber length is increasing. It can also be seen that Q- Factor is decreasing when the number of users are increasing. This means that Q-Factor is the major factor influencing the OCDMA system performance [8].

4. CONCLUSION

A comparative analysis of 2-D OCDMA system for different data rates has been performed in this paper. In this work the performance of an OCDMA system has been evaluated with the increasing number of users in the form of Quality factor. Quality factor and timing diagram analysis for asynchronous concurrent users at different data rates at different length of fibers has been done.

It is shown that timing diagram height decreases and Quality factor also decreases with increase in number of active users. Hence it is concluded that MAI is the dominant source of Quality factor and there is graceful degradation in system performance when number of simultaneously active user increases.

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