Testing of DWDM + CWDM high speed systems

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Need more bandwidth ?



xWDM - Class of WDM Devices

Wavelength Division Multiplexing (WDM) :

Access

2 channels

1310nm, 1550nm

Coarse WDM (CWDM): MetroE, Mobile Backhaul

8 – 16 channels

Typical channel spacing 20nm

1271nm – 1611nm

Dense WDM (DWDM): Long haul, MetroE, RPHY

Up to 160 – 320 channels

Typical spacing: 0.4 nm



xWDM - Class of WDM Devices



DWDM = EDFA's, nearly unlimited reach

CWDM \neq EDFA's, upper 8 attenuation ~ 0.25dB/km, reach ~80 km (20dB) CWDM \neq EDFA's, lower 8 attenuation ~ 0.40 – 0.50dB/km, reach ~40 - 50 km (20dB)

CWDM – Metro Ethernet ring type



CWDM - More Than 8 Customers?

Could turn up spare fibers if available

Could turn up lower 8 wavelengths

Higher attenuation - may not be able to reach customers

Non-uniform attenuation - loss budgeting more complex

Could overlay additional DWDM channels - "DWDM over CWDM"

DWDM channels more costly than CWDM channels

Big bandwidth potential...a.k.a. support many new customers

DWDM over CWDM

Over 1531nm and/or 1551nm



Sacrifice 1 CWDM channel (1551nm) to insert 16 DWDM channels Could also sacrifice 2nd CWDM channel (1531nm to add 8 – 16 more)

DWDM over CWDM



What to look for during the construction?



Fibers may impact your signals!

Dirty connectors

Macrobends







Fiber cuts / high loss



Clean connectors



Clean fiber management





CONNECTOR INSPECTION!

WHY AUTO CENTERING?



1st

Step



Testing Challenges

Muxes and Demuxes Are Wavelength Specific

Historical OTDRs and Light Sources Are Too Wide to "Fit" Through Filter Ports



Typical OTDR Center λ "1550nm" ± 20nm Typical OTDR $\Delta\lambda$ = 10nm Typical Light Source Center λ 1310nm or 1550nm Typical Light Sources $\Delta\lambda$ = 5nm

Traditional tools won't pass through filters

CWDM Test Tools FTB-740C CWDM OTDRs Make Testing Simple



xWDM Troubleshooting

- Use the C/DWDM OTDR to validate <u>continuity</u> during construction through the MUX/DEMUX and get End-to-End budget loss
- Use the C/DWDM OTDR to troubleshoot from the head-end
- In-service testing using the customer's wvl port (ITU DWDM or CWDM)
- Single-ended CWDM/DWDM fiber characterization in one box



CHANGING THE WAY YOU TEST FIBERS

Get multiple OTDR fast acquisitions @every pulses & @every wavelength

Analyze OTDR traces

Combine results

Display optical link view





CWDM Test Tools

How Many DWDM Overlay Channels Can I Add?



		Ch. #	λ (nm)	Power (dBm)	OSNR (dB)	Noise (dBm)	BW 3.00 dB (nm)	BW 20.00 dB (nm)	Name
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CWDM Test Tools

How Many DWDM Overlay Channels Can I Add?



PM vs. CWDM analyser vs. OSA



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the POWER per channel



Including OSNR & λ



What is OSNR (Optical Signal to Noise Ratio)?



WDM Investigator

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