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Experiment - I

Sims → Design a optical transmission link to analyse the BER performance for different line coding techniques, modulation based or wavelengths and length of the fibre

apparatus → For conducting this experiment we require simply the Optisystem software and analyse the output graph obtained

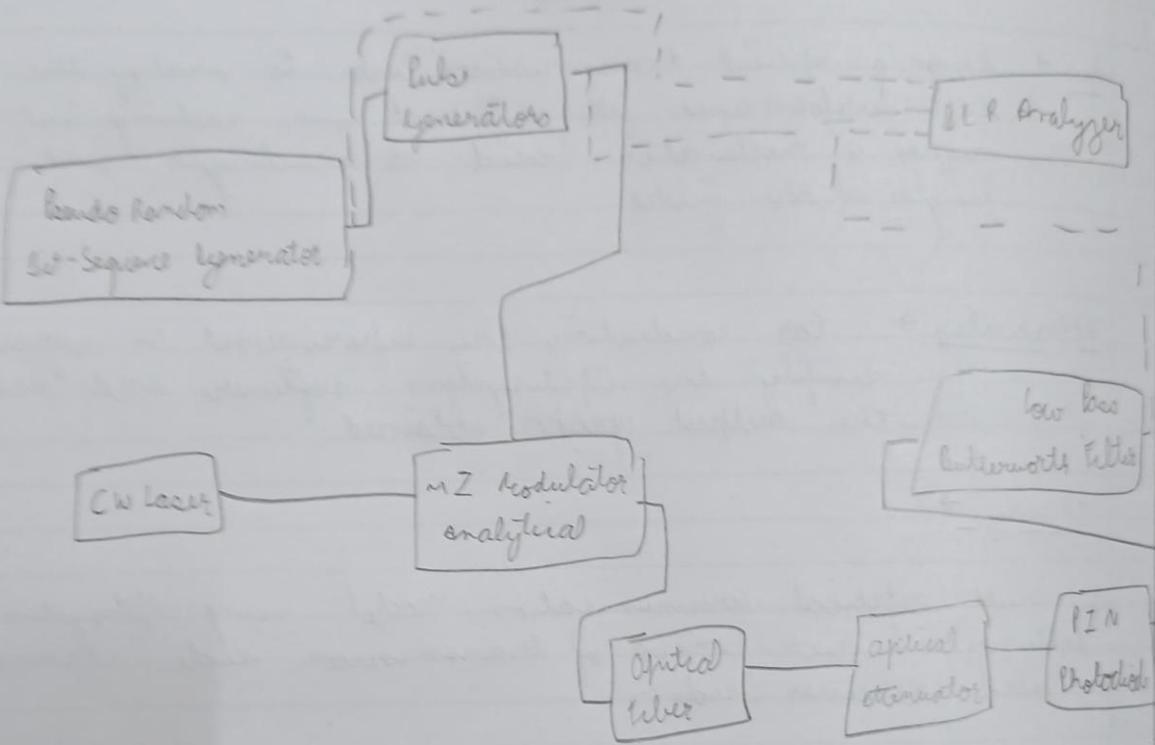
Theory →

We built optical communication model using optisystem software which consists of transmission side, channel and receiver side.

Then we change the pulse generator to various other types in order to obtain its changes and to see the changes in corresponding BER for different signals.

Finally we click on the BER analyser and obtain the eye diagrams for various pulse generators, which include NRZ, RZ, Gaussian, Sinc pulse, DPSK, QAM, Raised cosine, Triangular pulse, saw up and saw down pulse generators respectively.

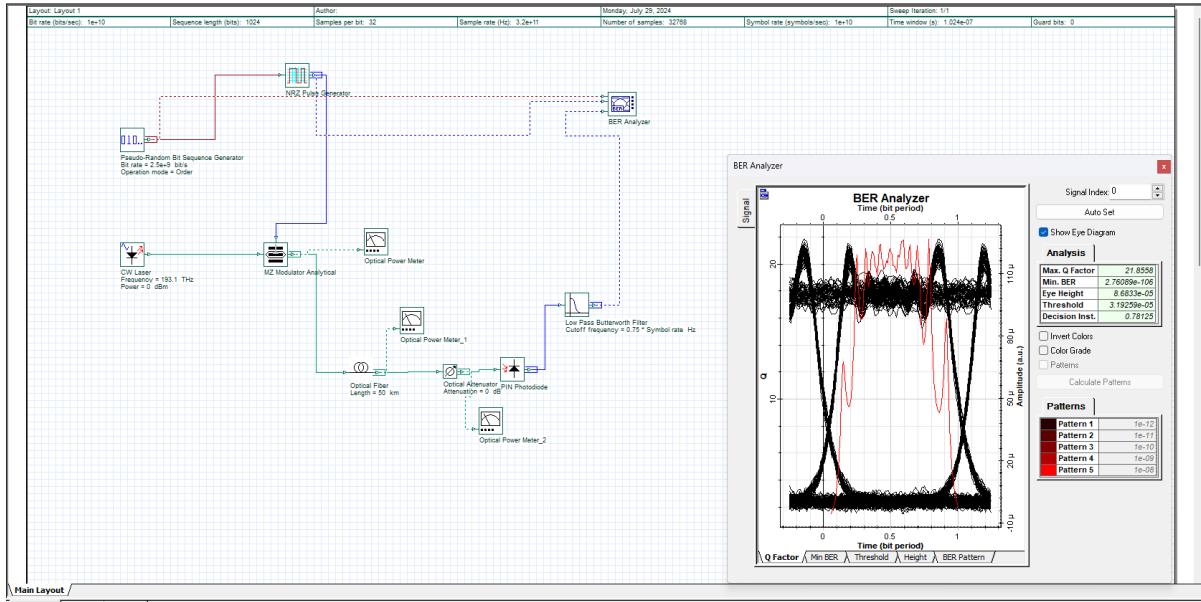
Block-Diagram →



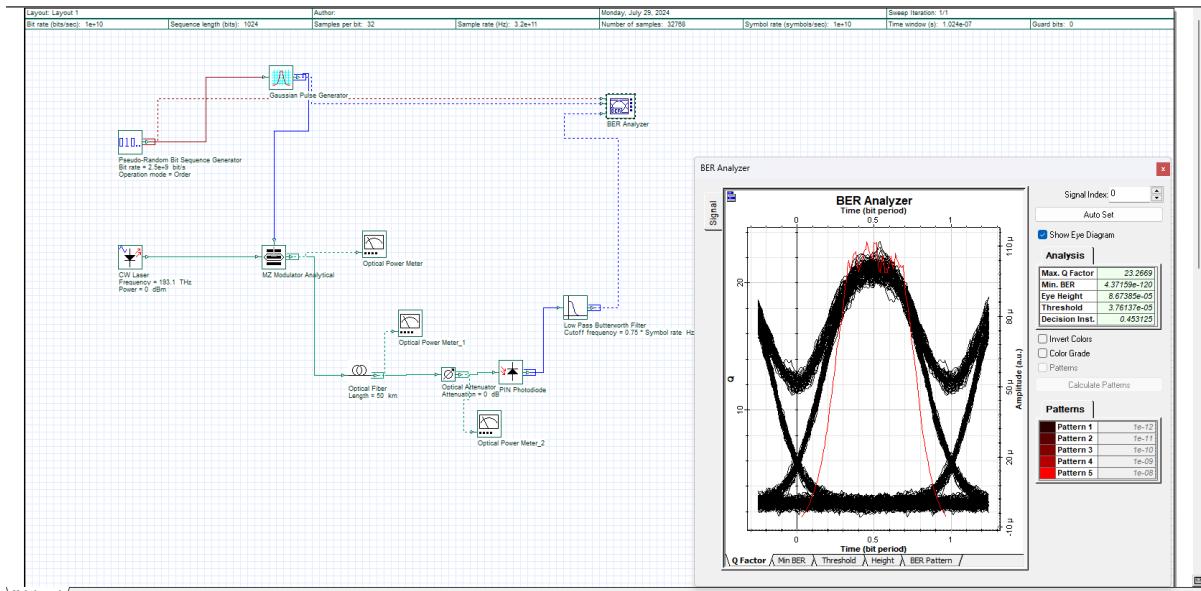
Result → As a result we obtain the eye diagram for various pulse generators giving the bit error rate vs time graph and we observe the changes for different generators.

Conclusion → On analysis we found that BER (bit Error rate) can be minimized (even to 0) by adjusting the value of given time period in a bit sequence generator which comes approximately 10⁻³ in case of NRZ, RZ & Gaussian signals & quite high in case of DPSK, OAM & PSK signals.

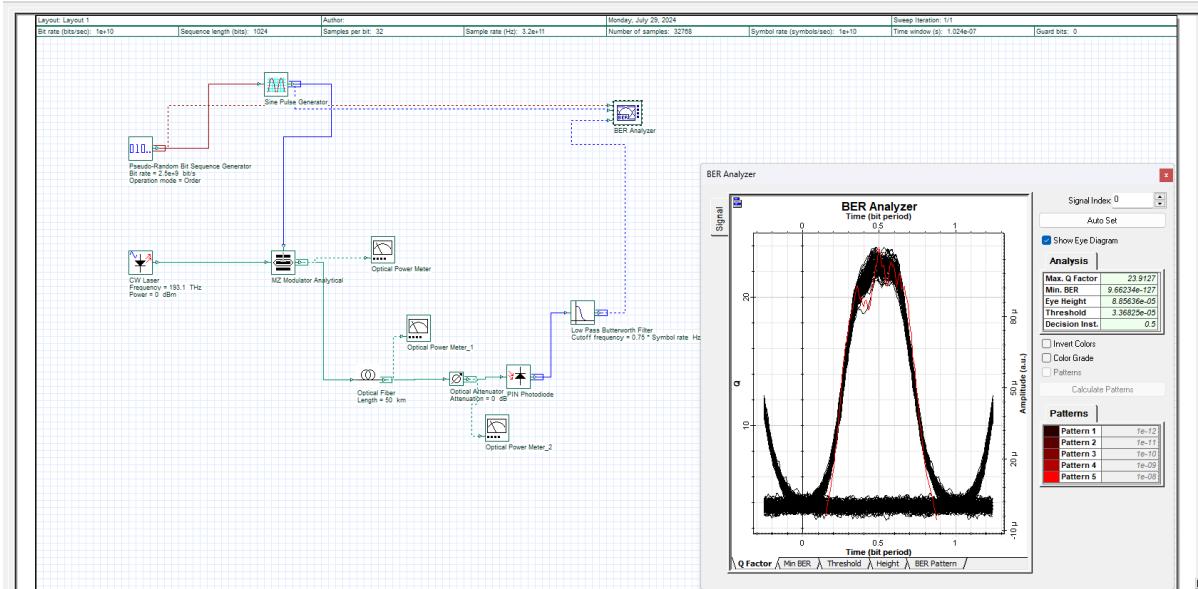
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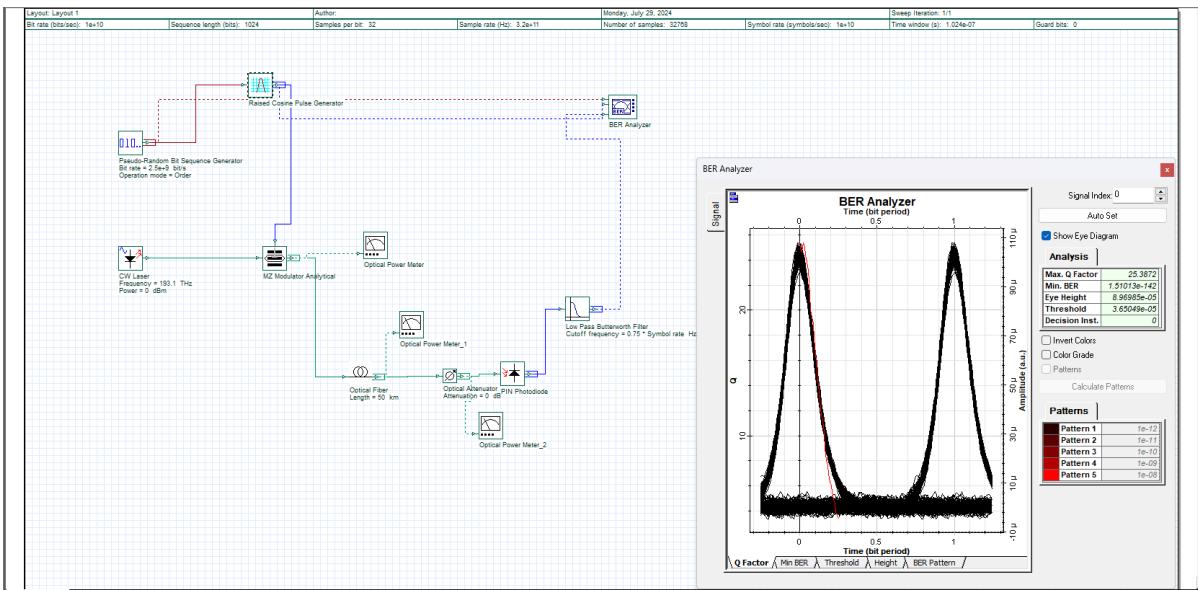
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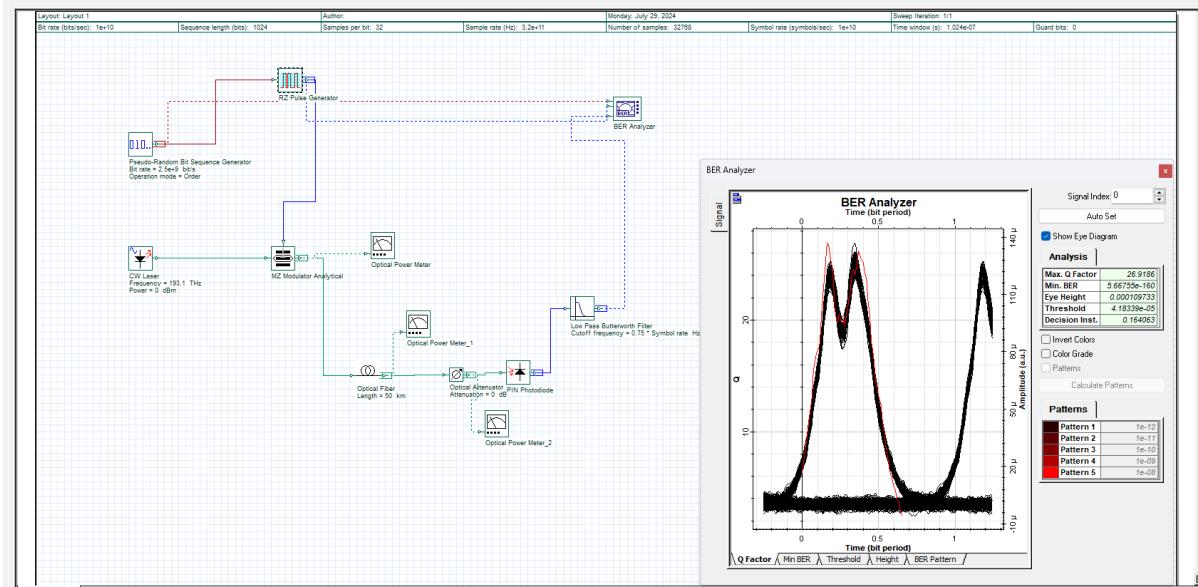
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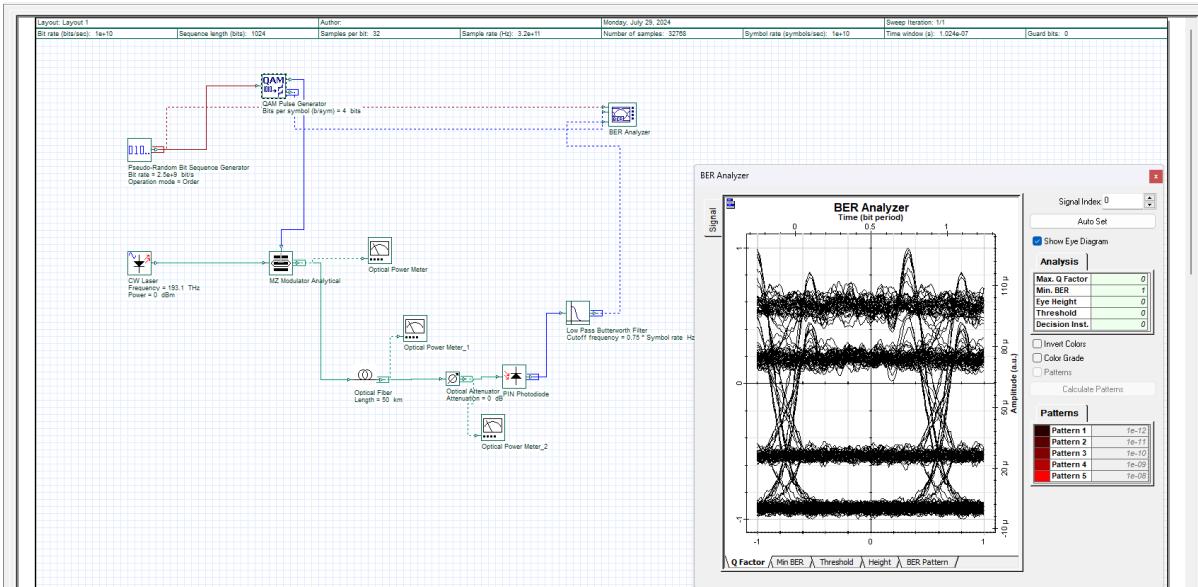
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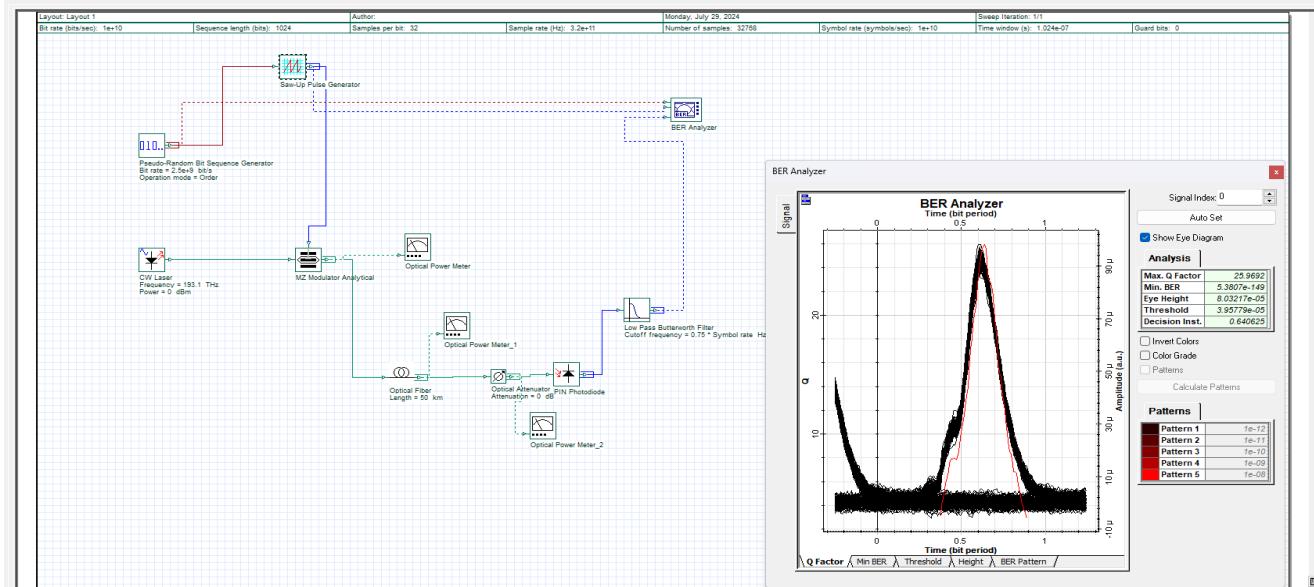
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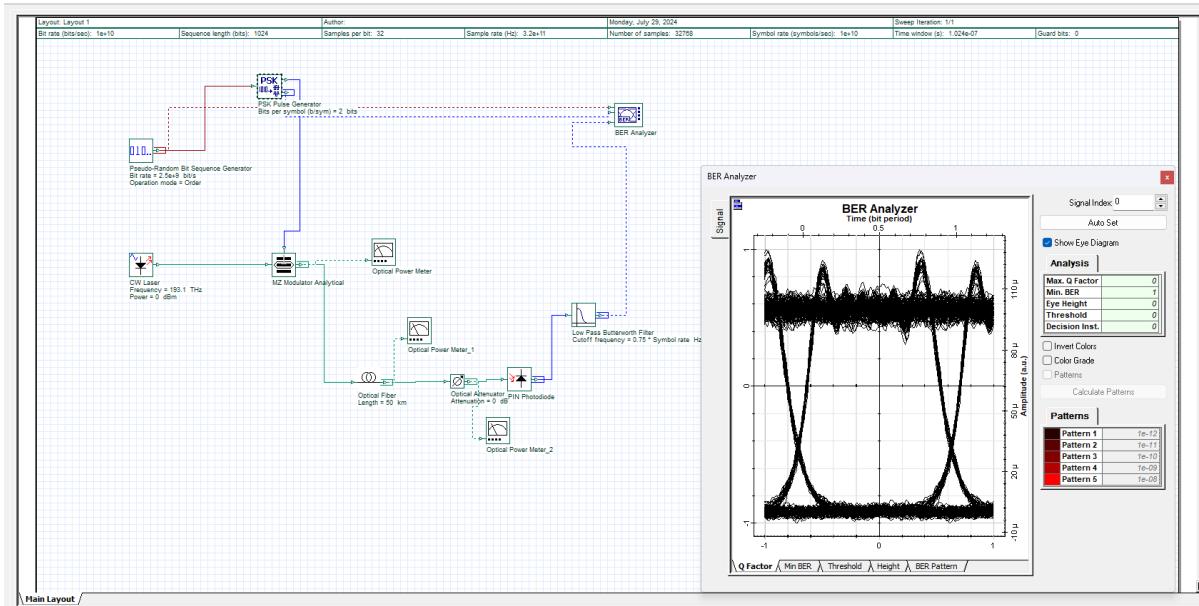
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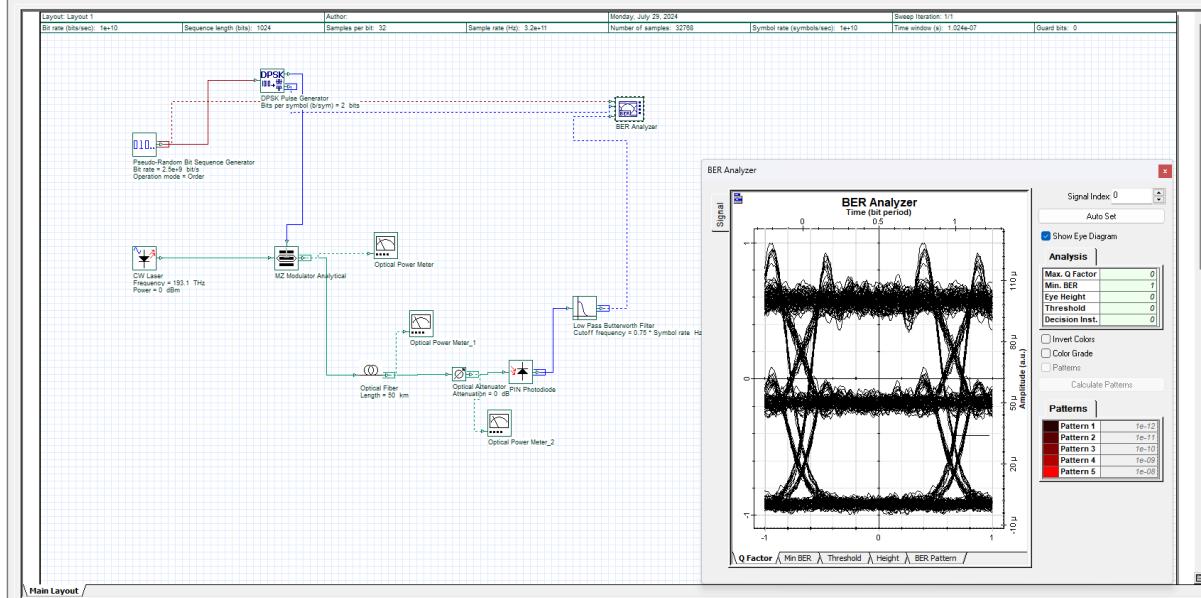
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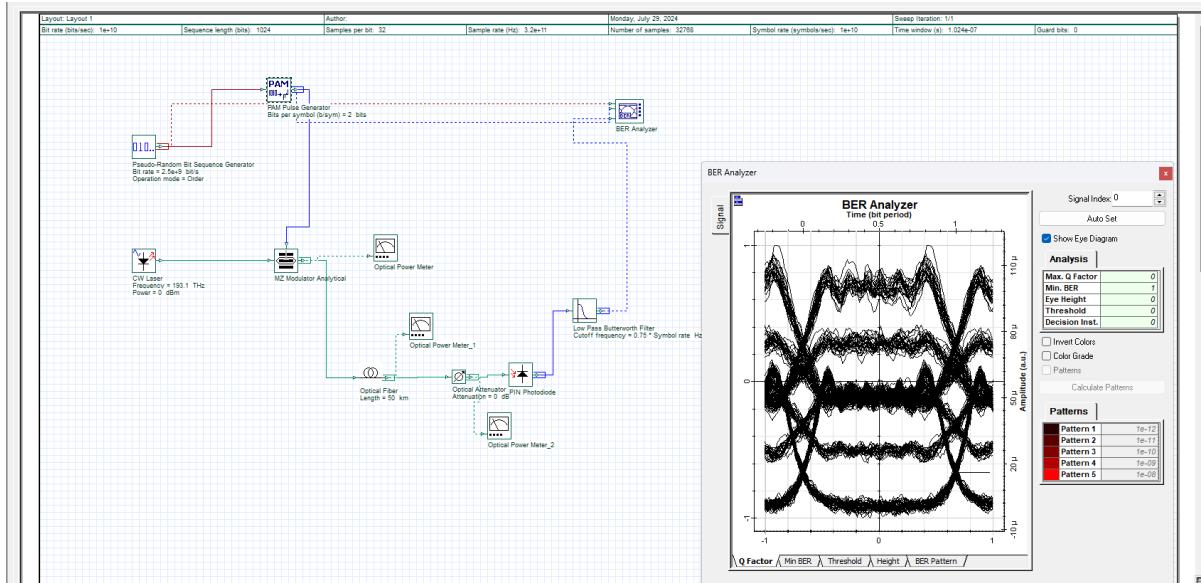
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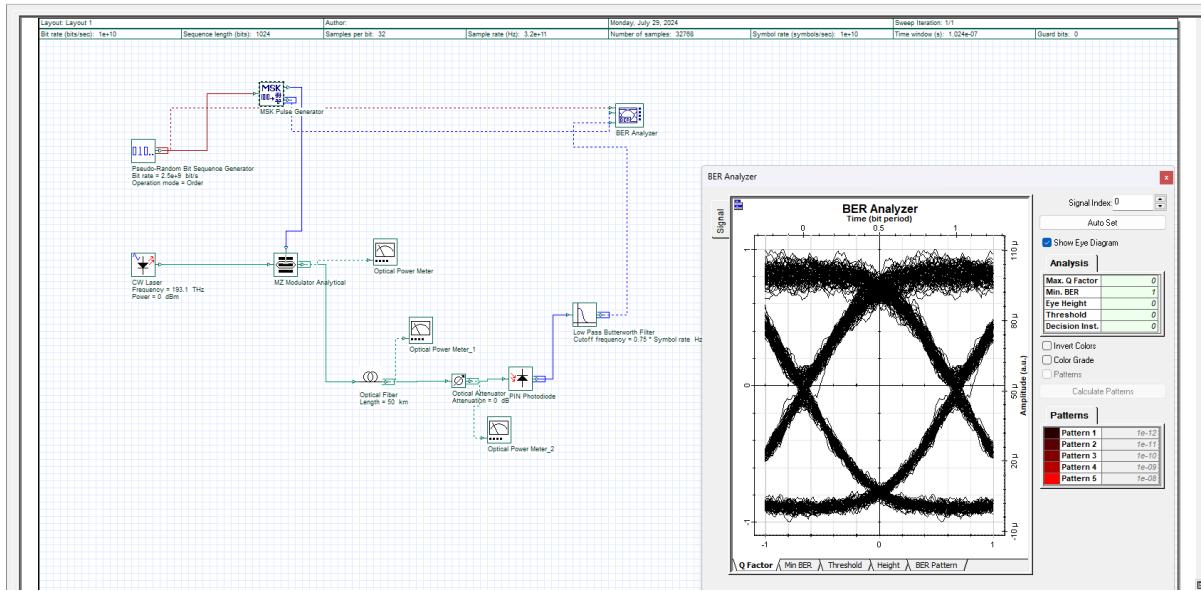
DPSK



PAM



MSK



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Experiment → 2Aims →

The objective of this experiment is to investigate the impact of different wavelengths and fiber lengths on the performance of an optical transmission system. The primary focus is on evaluating the BER (Bit Error Rate) and signal quality for various wavelengths and fiber lengths and analyzing how these parameters influence the system's overall performance.

Theory →

In optical communication, the choice of wavelength and fiber length are crucial parameters that affect the signal transmission. Wavelength affects the attenuation, dispersion, and overall signal quality, while fiber length determines the total loss and potential for signal degradation due to dispersion.

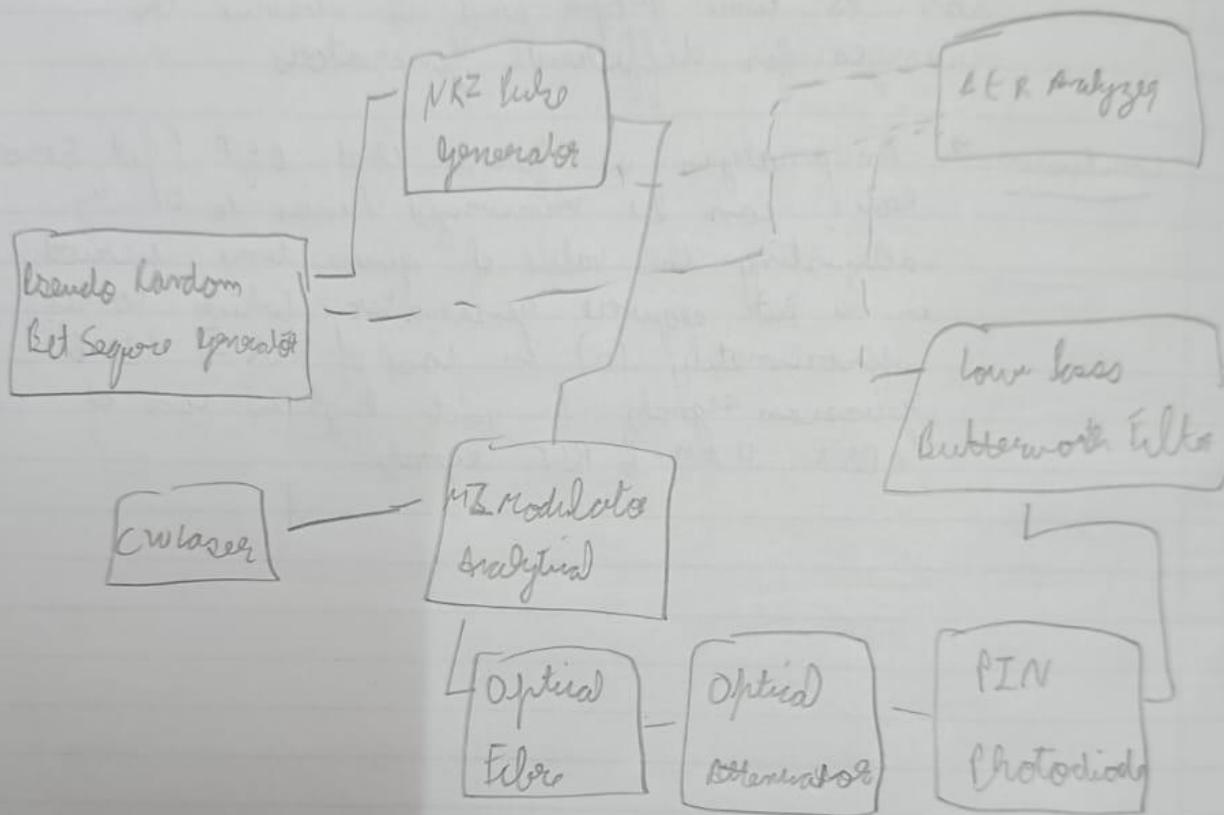
Wavelength:

- Attenuation: Different wavelengths experience different levels of attenuation in optical fibers. The lowest attenuation is at 1550 nm with 0.2 dB/km attenuation, and typically, the 850 nm has the highest attenuation of 2.5 dB/km.
- Dispersion: Chromatic dispersion values varies with wavelength. At 1310 nm, it is near zero, & it increases at 1550 nm.

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Block Diagram

Indirect →



Non-linear effect \rightarrow Higher wavelengths can lead to non-linear effects such as four wave mixing (FWM) and others.

- Fiber length

- Signal loss: the longer the fiber, the more attenuation and potential loss of signal strength. This results in the use of amplifiers or repeaters for long-distance communication.

- Dispersion: Over long distance, dispersion causes pulse broadening, leading to inter-symbol ISI and increased BER.

- Non-Linear Effects: longer fibers may also increase the impact of non-linear effects further degrading the signal quality.

Procedure \rightarrow

- We will construct the circuit diagram as shown in the block diagram.

- In layout we will make sweep iterations to be 10.

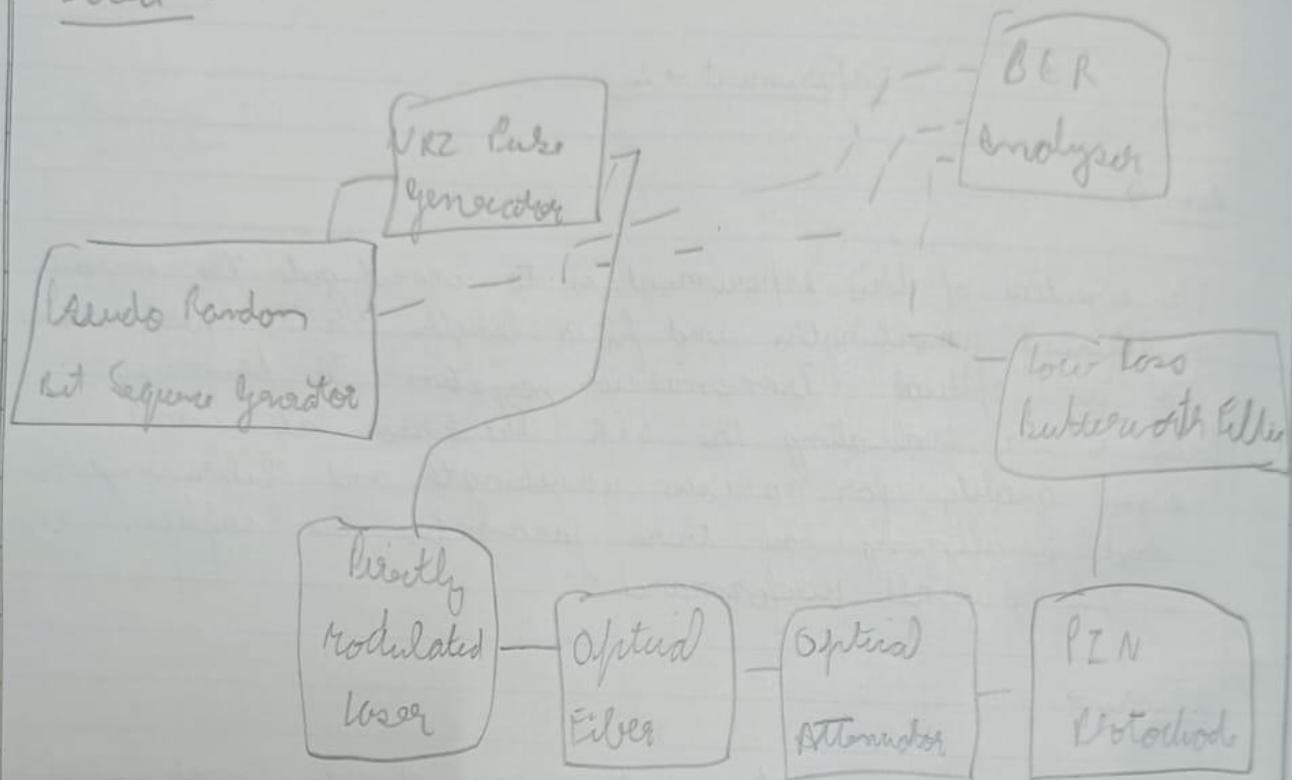
- Then in optical fiber we will select the sweep option for the length from 10 to 100 for iteration.

- After which we will keep the bit rate of the layout properties to 1 Mbps.

- Then finally we will run the system.

- In report option we will go to the BER results to get the BER and optical fiber parameters to get the length and then make graph for each case.

Direct →



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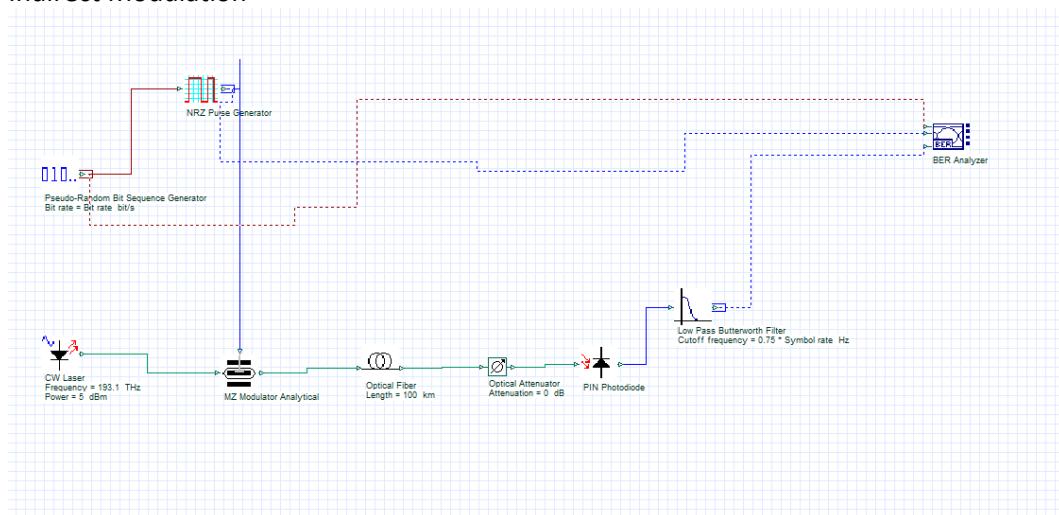
Results & Conclusion →

The result graphs are displayed

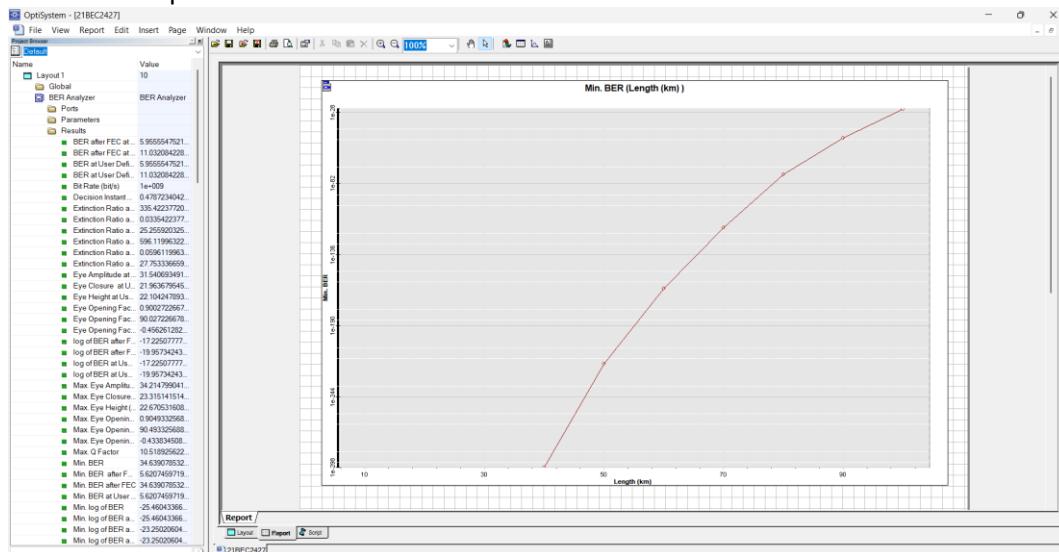
This experiment provides insights as to how the wavelengths & fiber length interact to affect the performance of an optical transmission system. By understanding these relationships, it becomes possible to optimize optical networks for better performance, reducing BER & improving signal quality.

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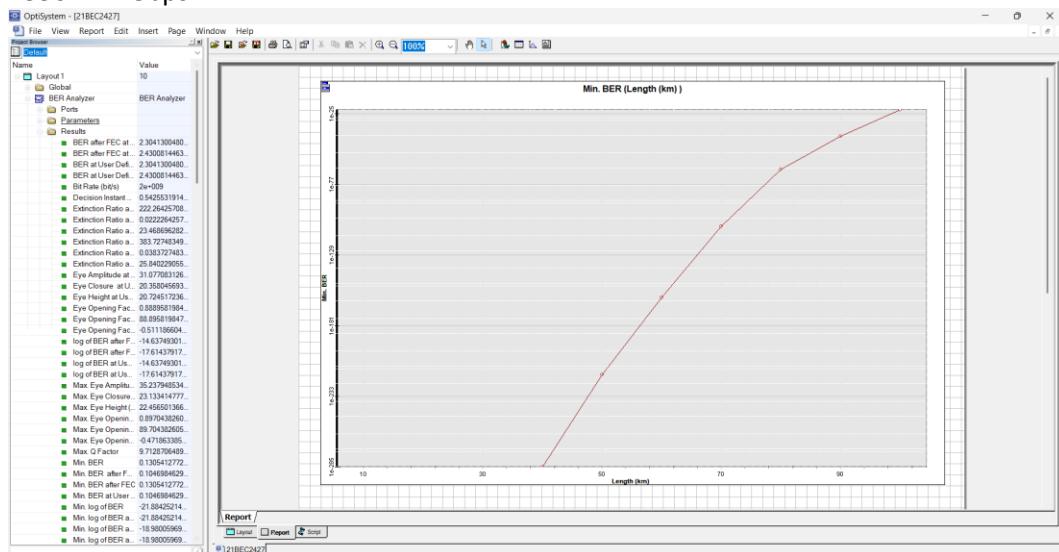
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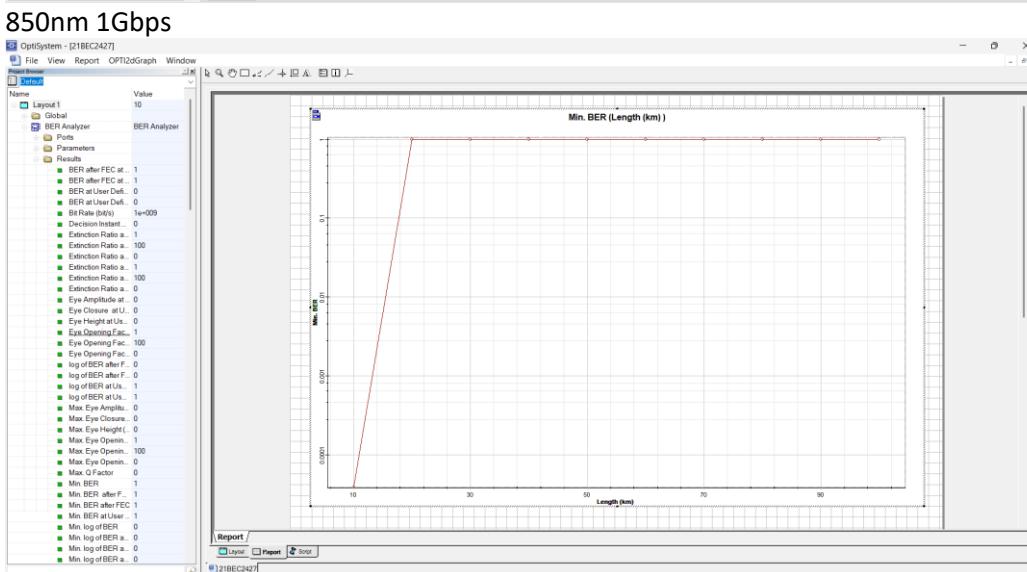
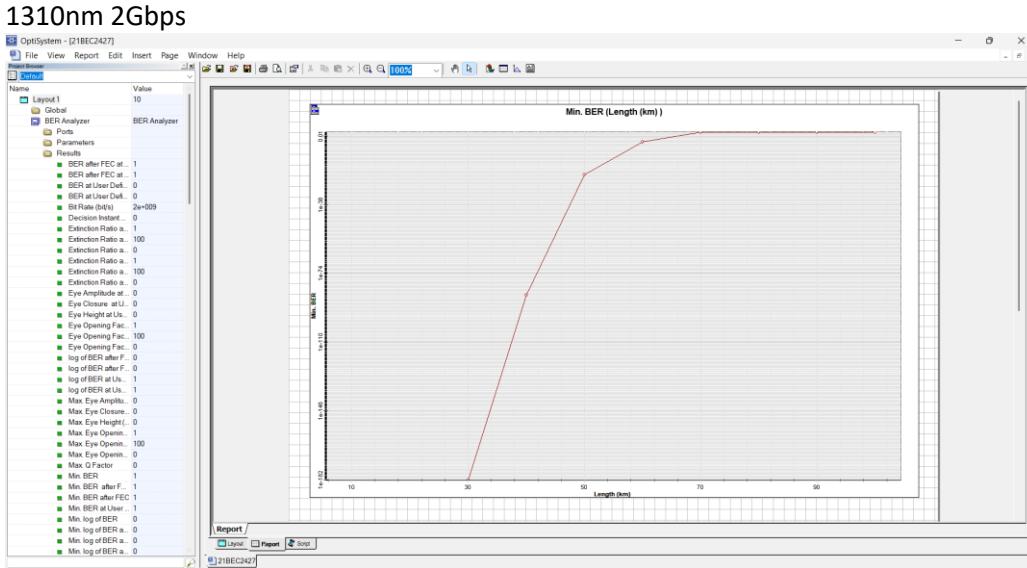
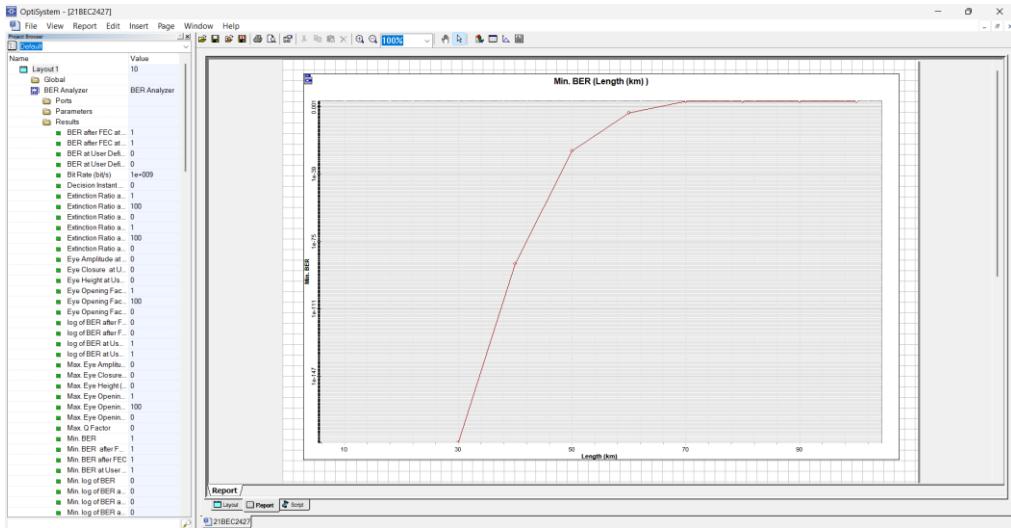
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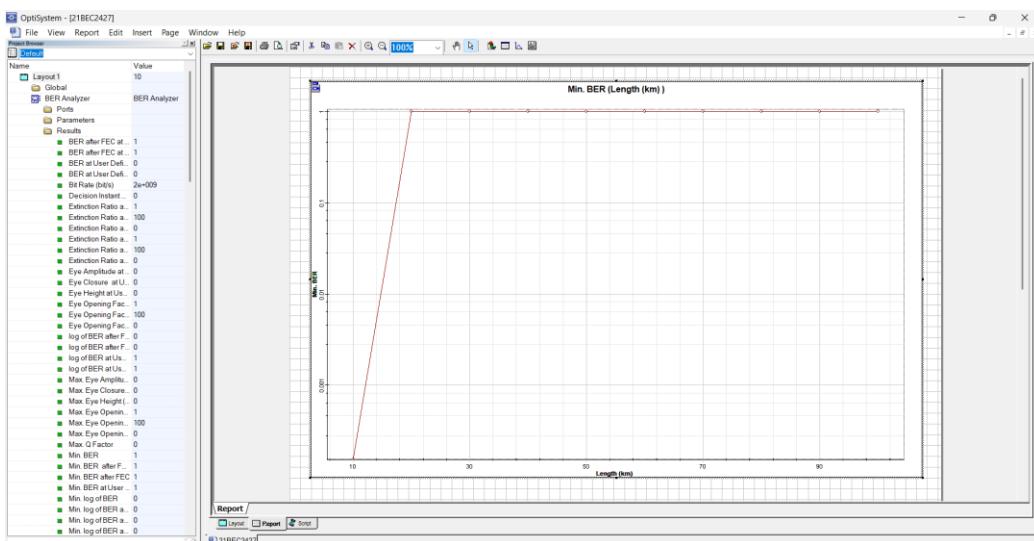
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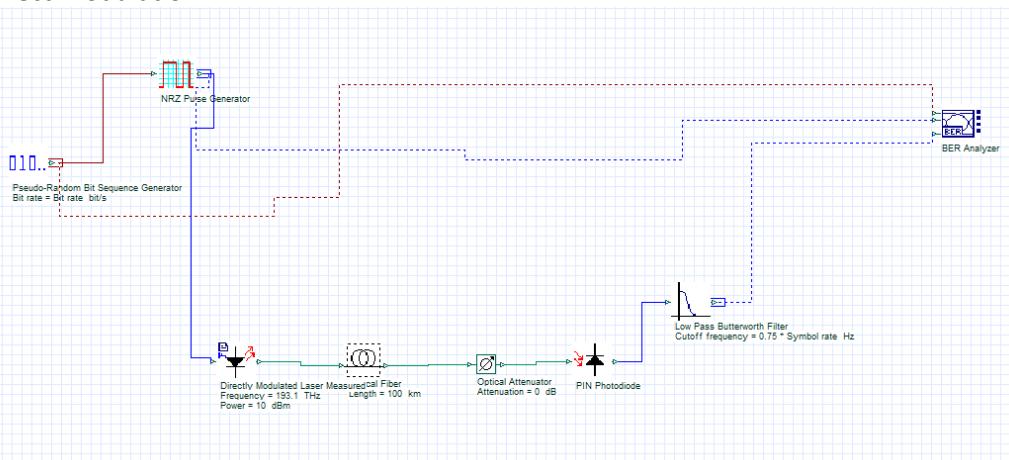
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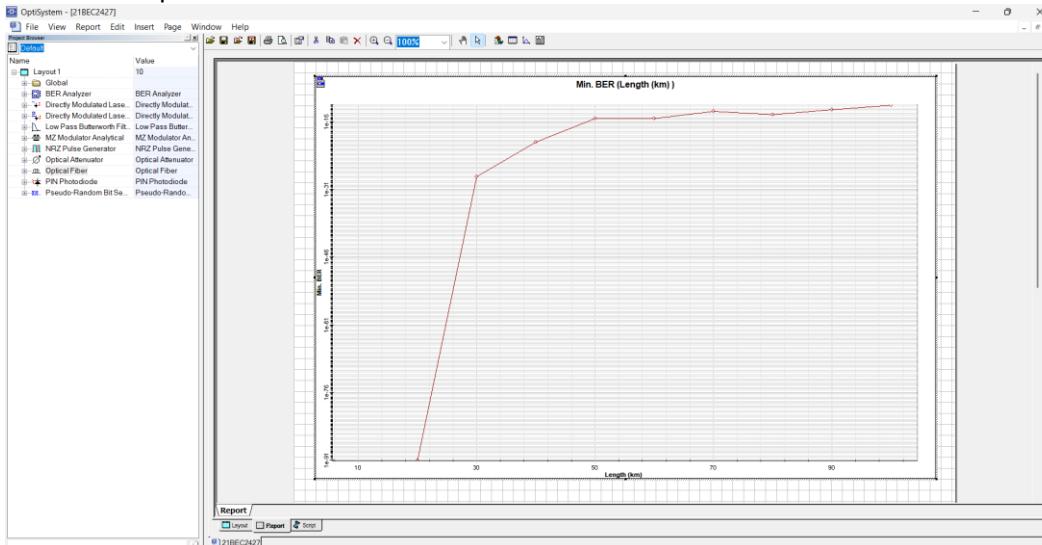
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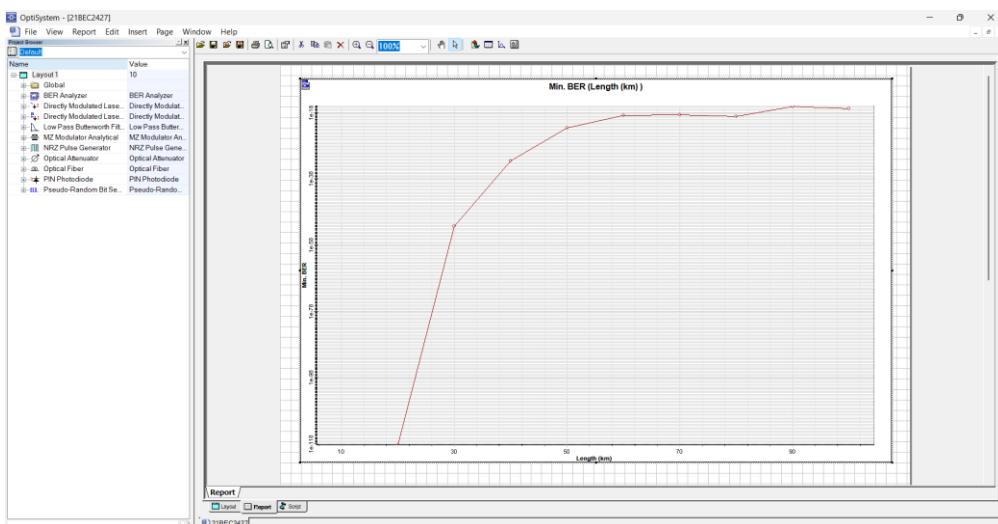
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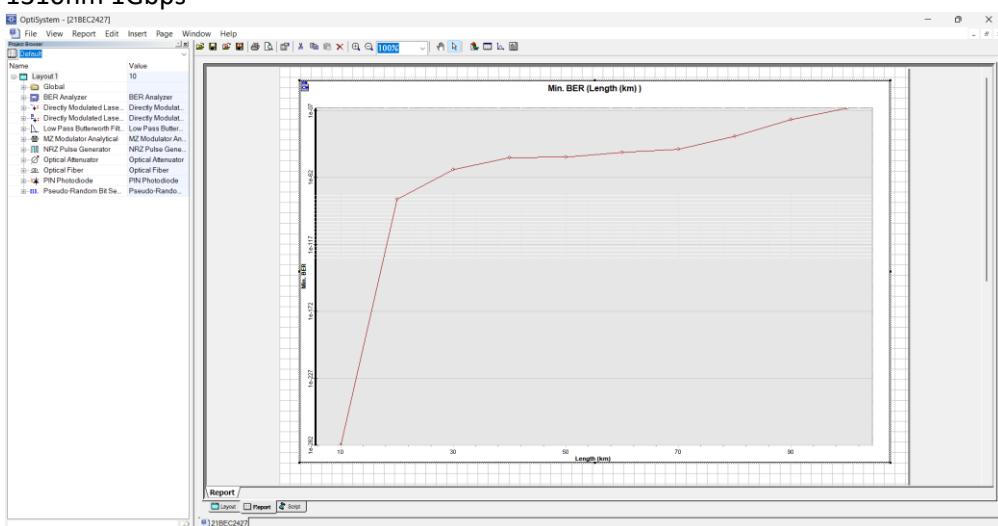
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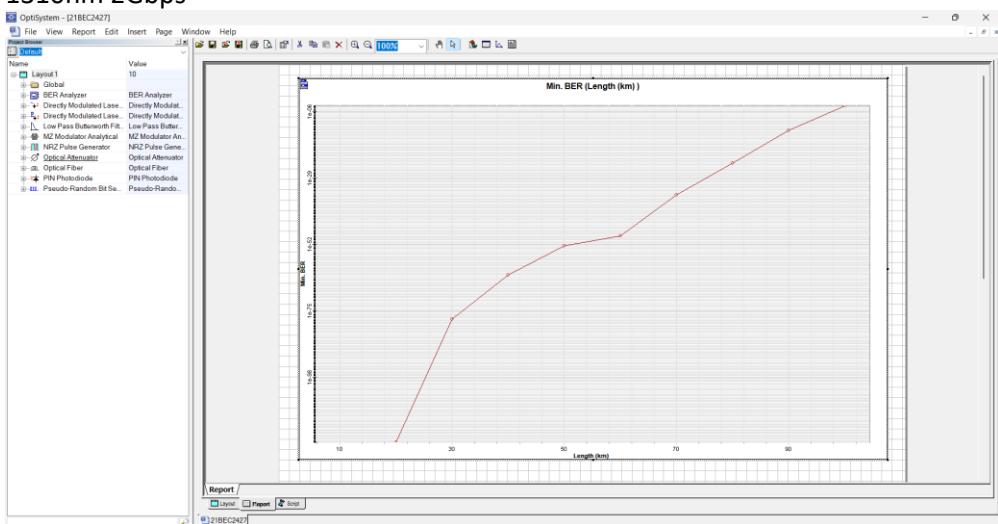
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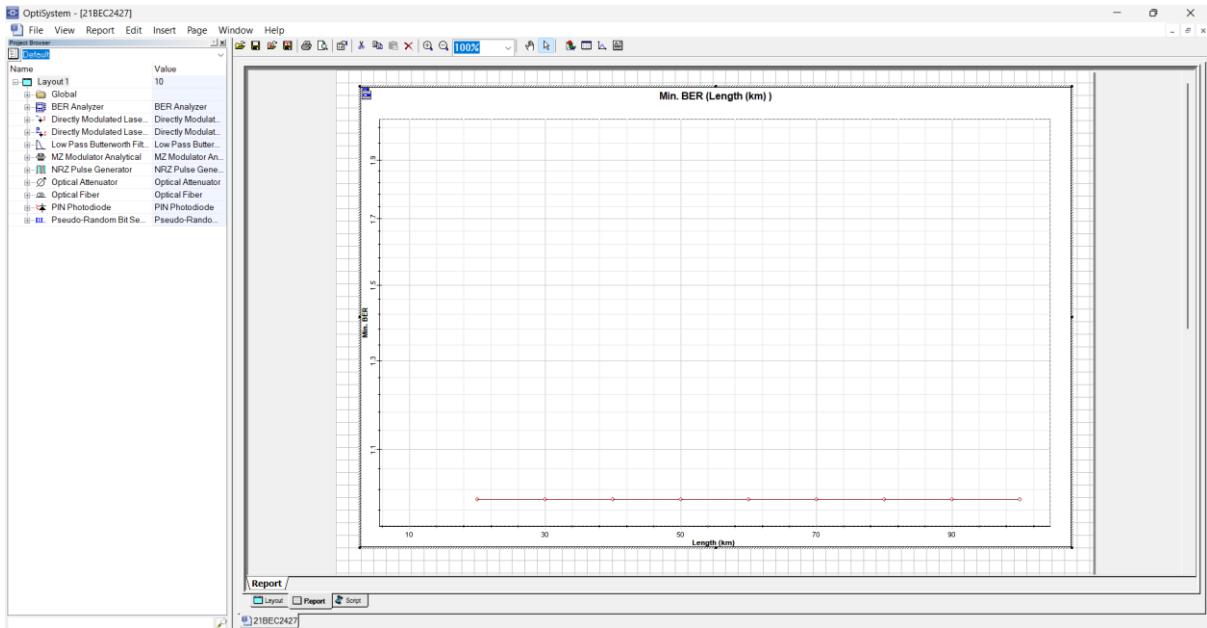
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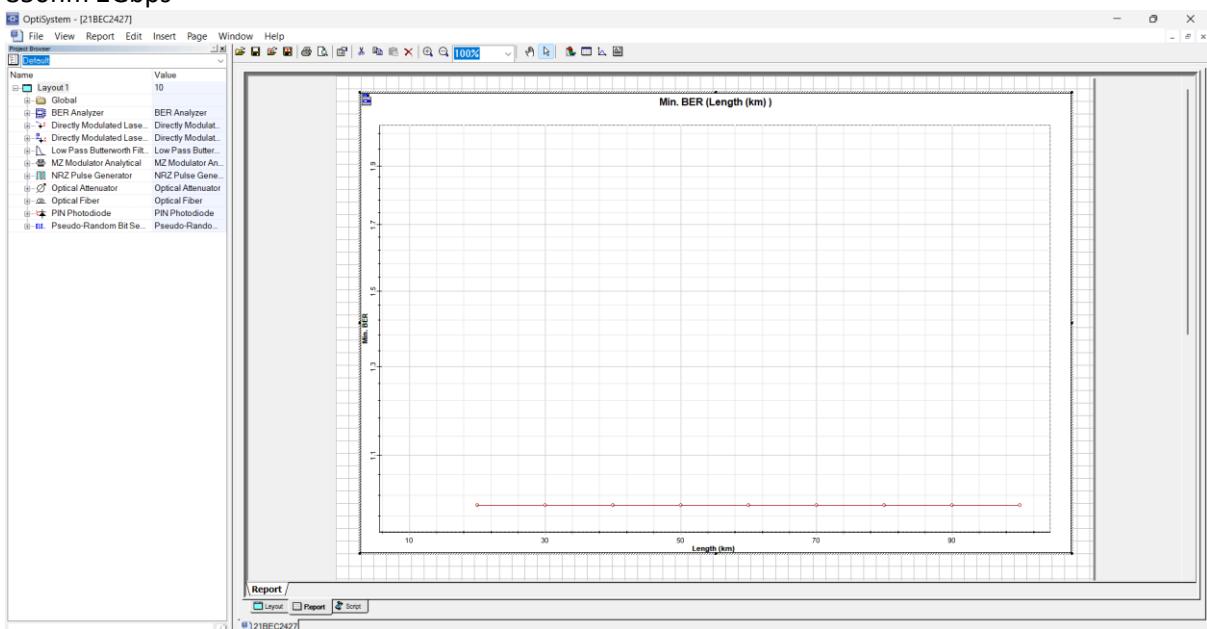
1310nm 2Gbps



850nm 1Gbps



850nm 2Gbps



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Experiment -3

Aim → The experiment is conducted to compare the gain of two different amplifiers which are Erbium doped fiber amplifier (EDFA) and SOA (Semiconductor optical amplifier)

Apparatus → Optisystem software 21.0.0

Theory →

EDFA

- Gain: EDFA provides gain by using a doped fiber erbium ions, which are excited by a pump laser when the signal passes through the doped fiber, it simulates the emission of photons leading to amplification.
- Noise figure (NF): The noise figure of an EDFA is primarily due to amplified spontaneous emission (ASE) noise, which occurs when erbium ions spontaneously decay & emit photons.
- Saturation: At high input power levels, the gain of the EDFA starts to saturate, meaning the output power no longer increases linearly with input power.

SOA

Gain: SOA provides gain through the stimulated emission of photons in a semiconductor material. The gain is achieved by current into the active region of the SOA.

Noise Figure (NF): The noise figure in SOA is influenced by ASE, similar to EDFA, but SOA's tend to have higher noise figures due to their design.

Saturation: SOA's saturate at lower power levels compared to EDFA's due to carrier depletion in the active region.

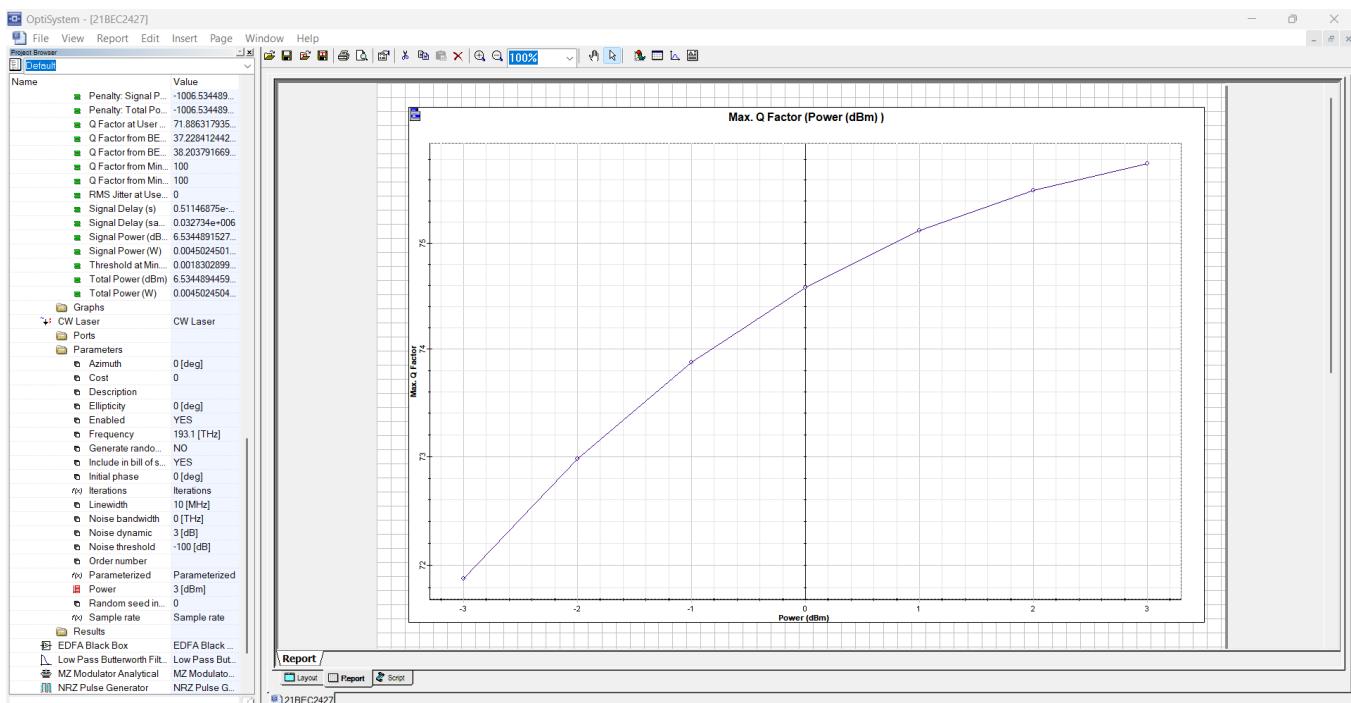
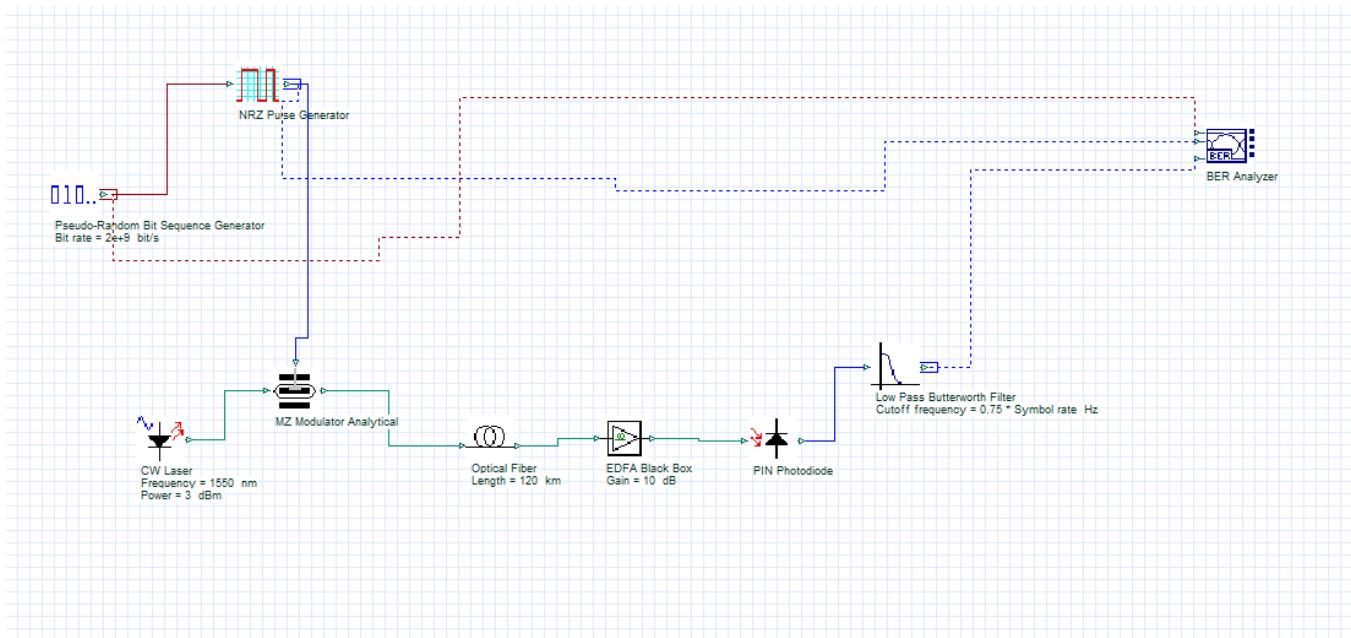
Procedure →

- We will build the circuit as given in the figure and then we will execute the steps.
- We will set the total iterations to 7 (-3 to 3).
- Power of the CW laser is in sweep.
- -3dB to 3dB is the range.
- We will then again create the plot of report.
- The plot has gain-d factor on y-axis.
- The power (in dB) is x-axis.

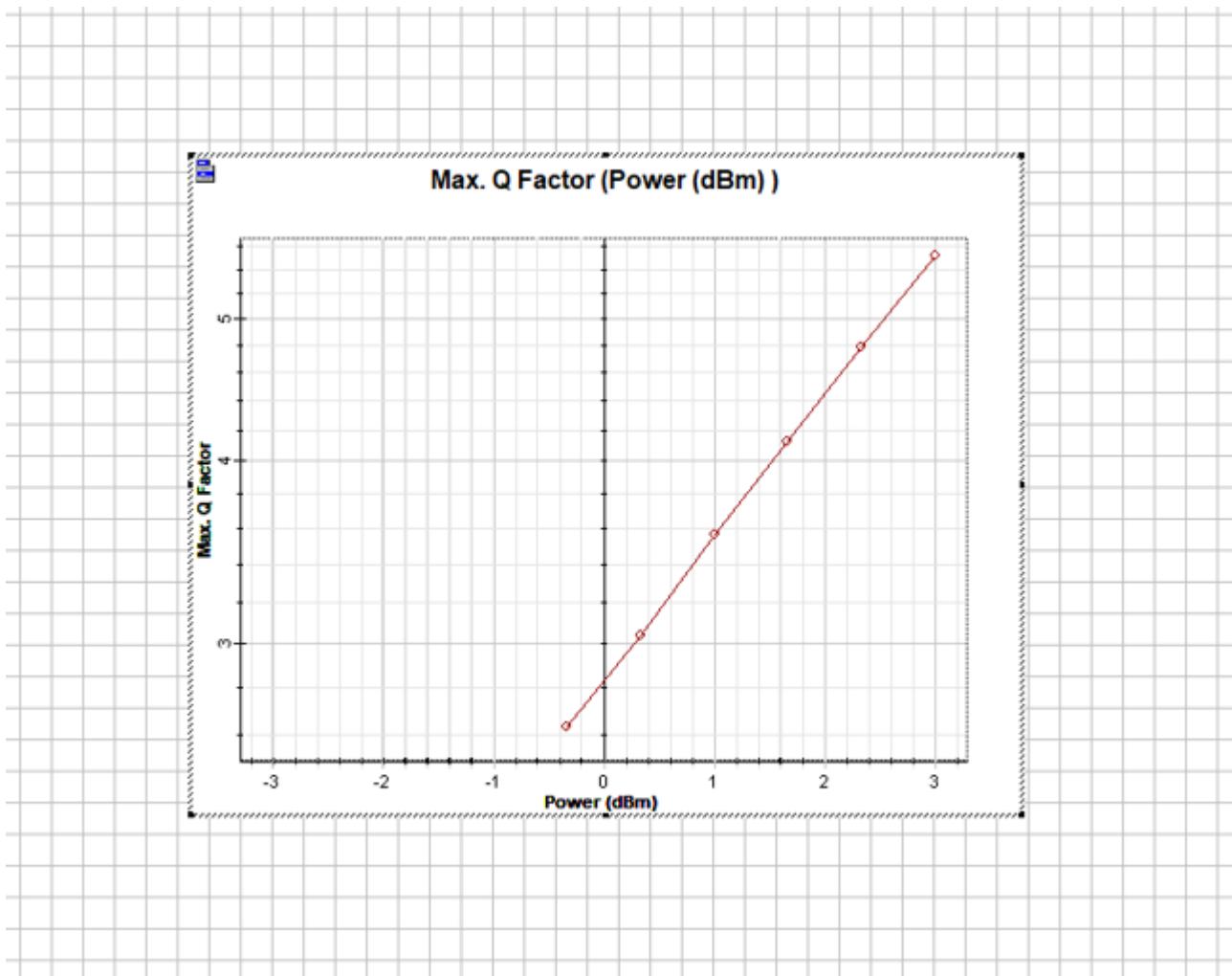
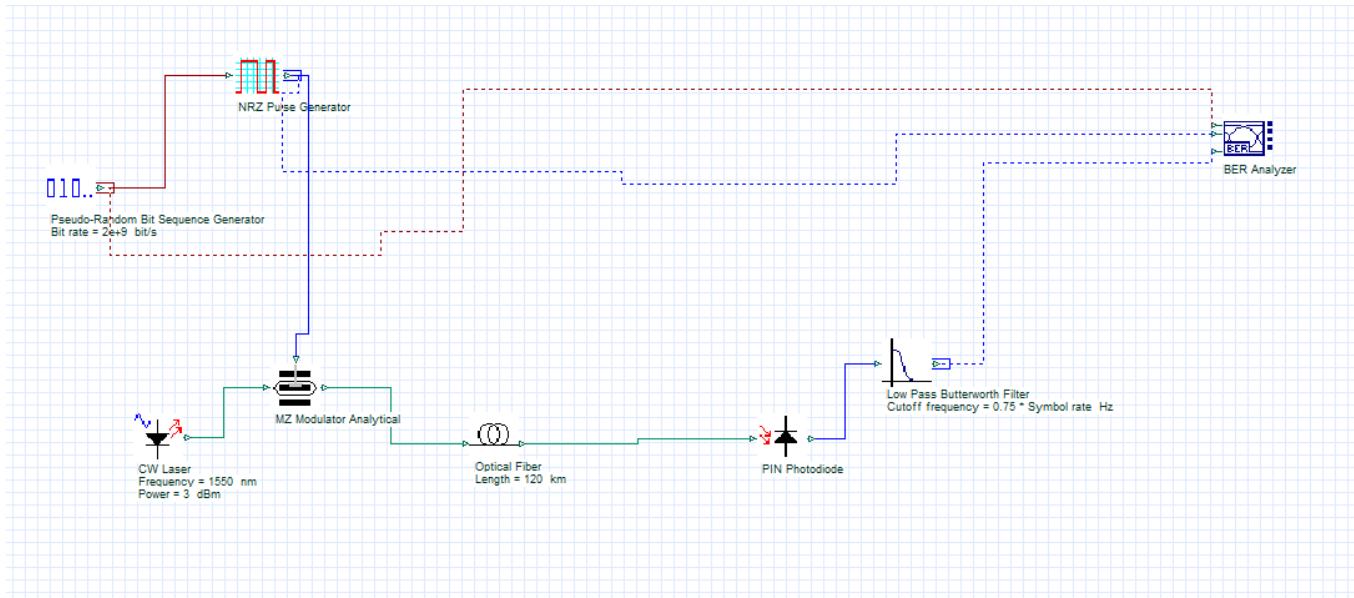
Results & Conclusion →

The observations we observed were that without any amplifier with just one value with the 3dB at the power. The EDFA will have the best G-factor among the two & SOA has lesser G factor.

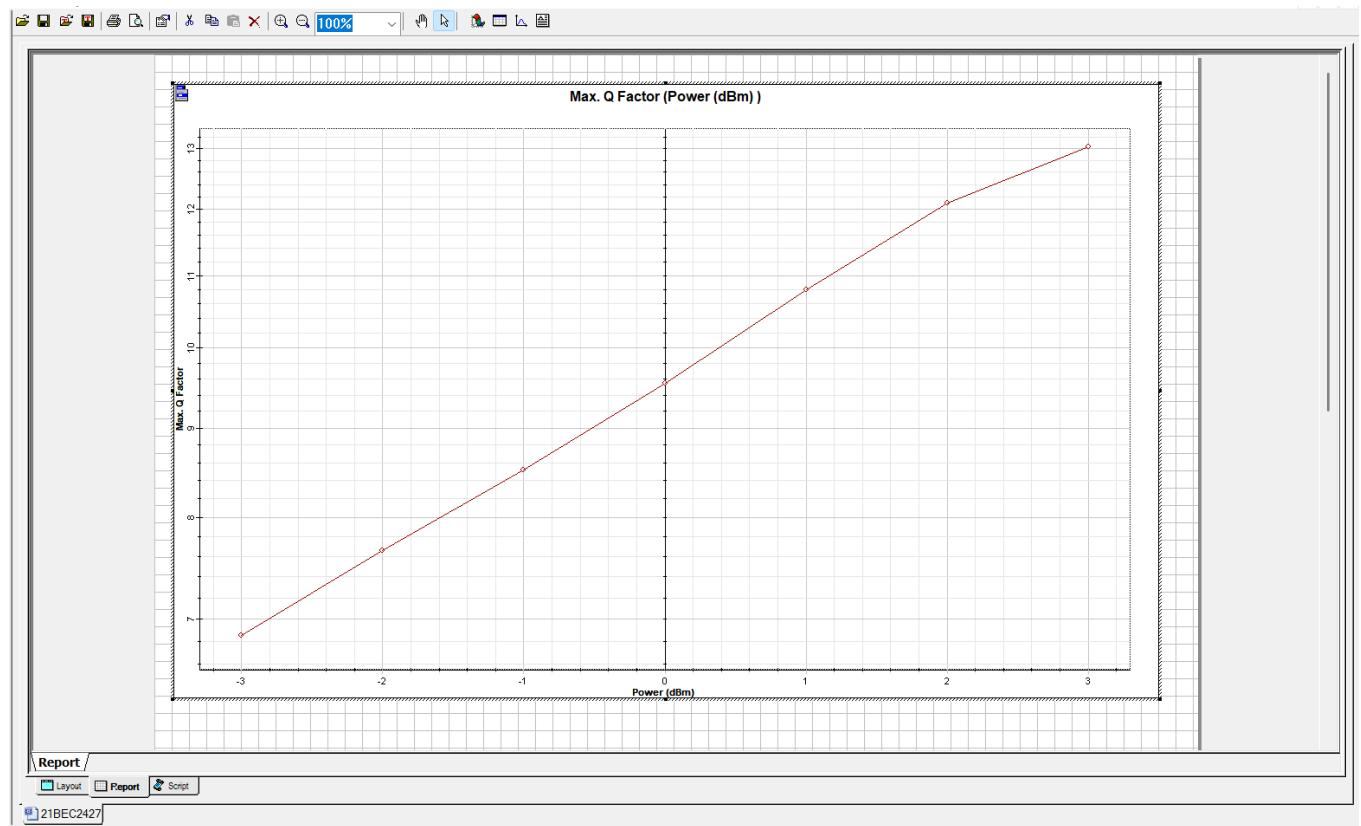
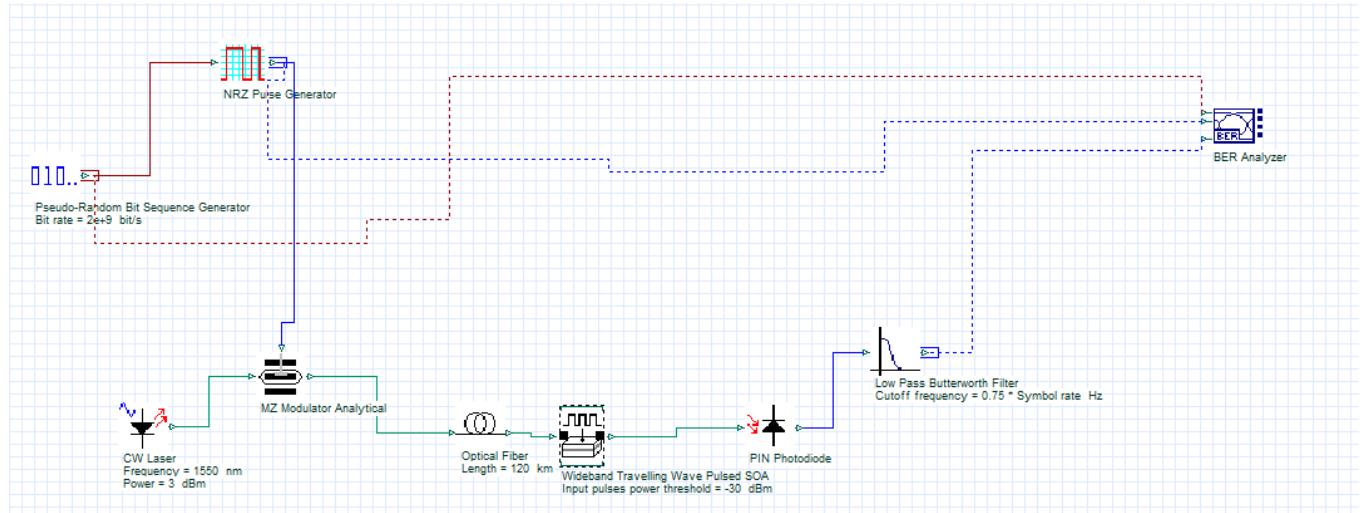
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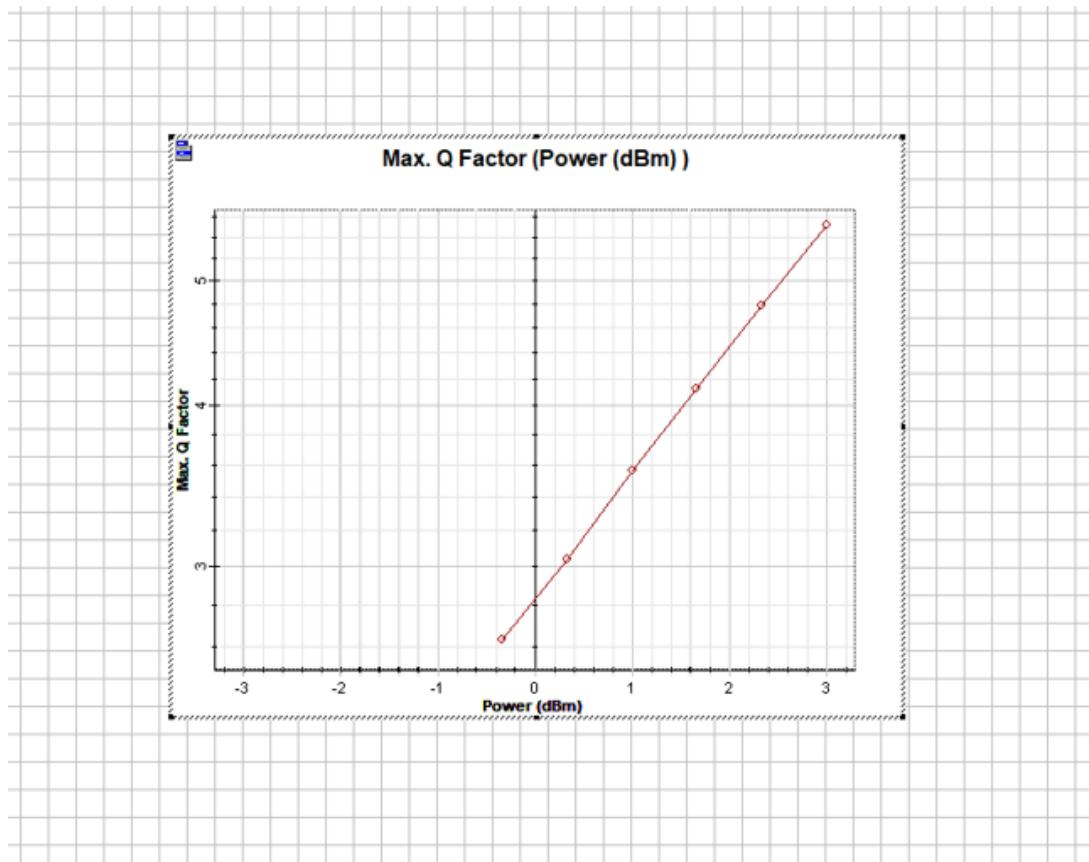
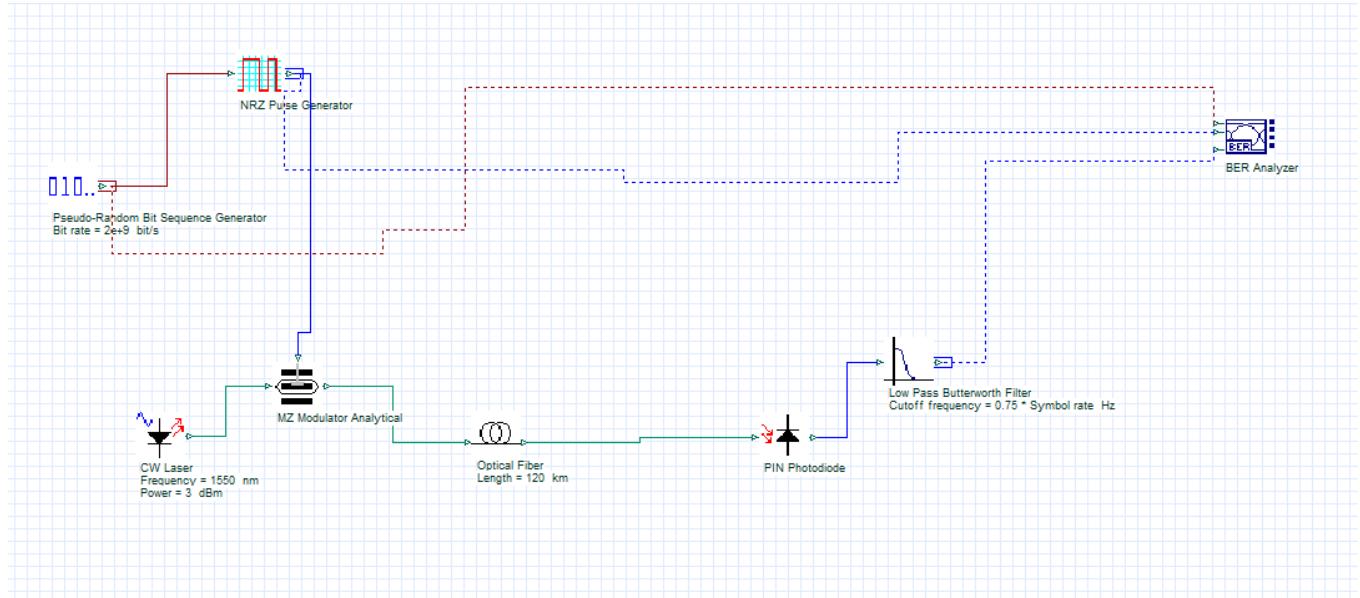
Post amplifier Without EDFA



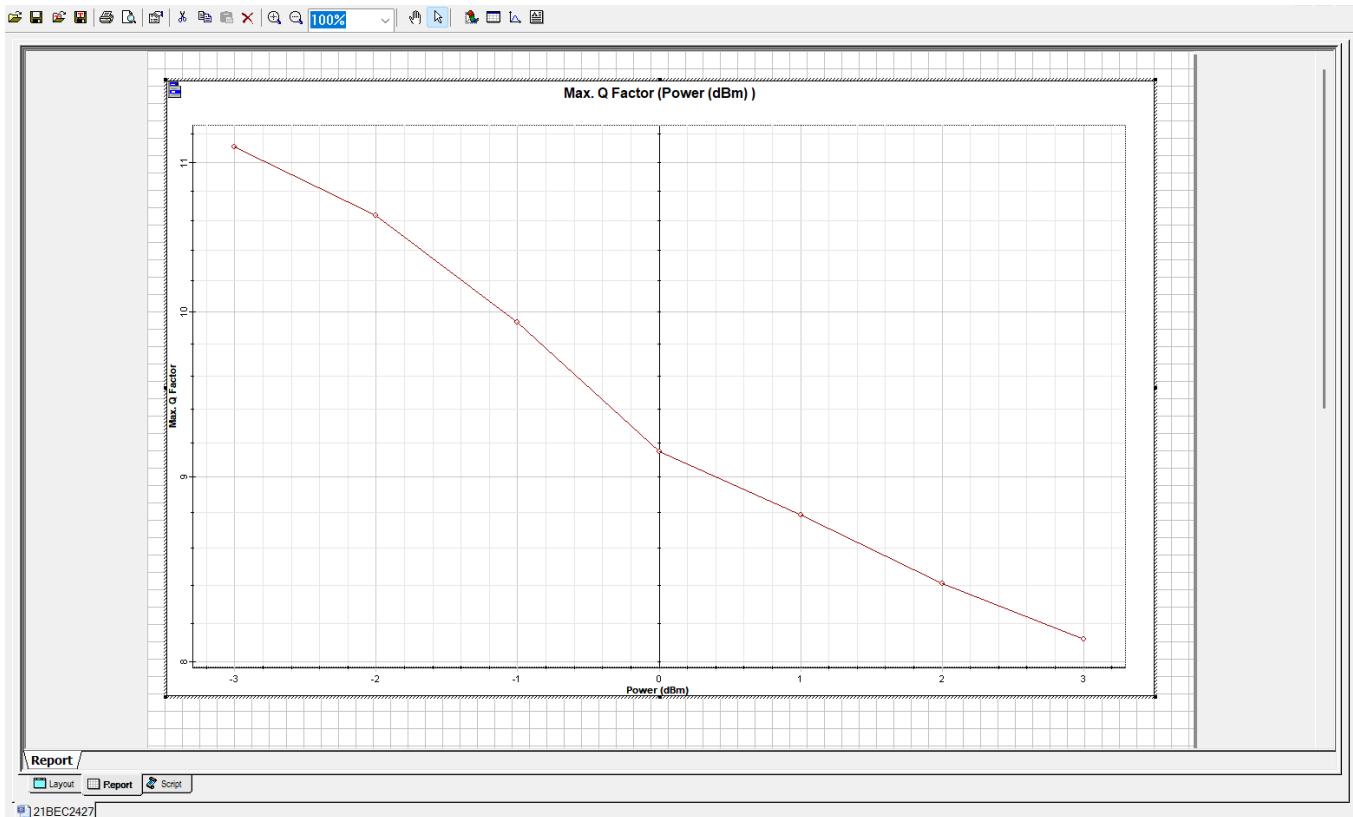
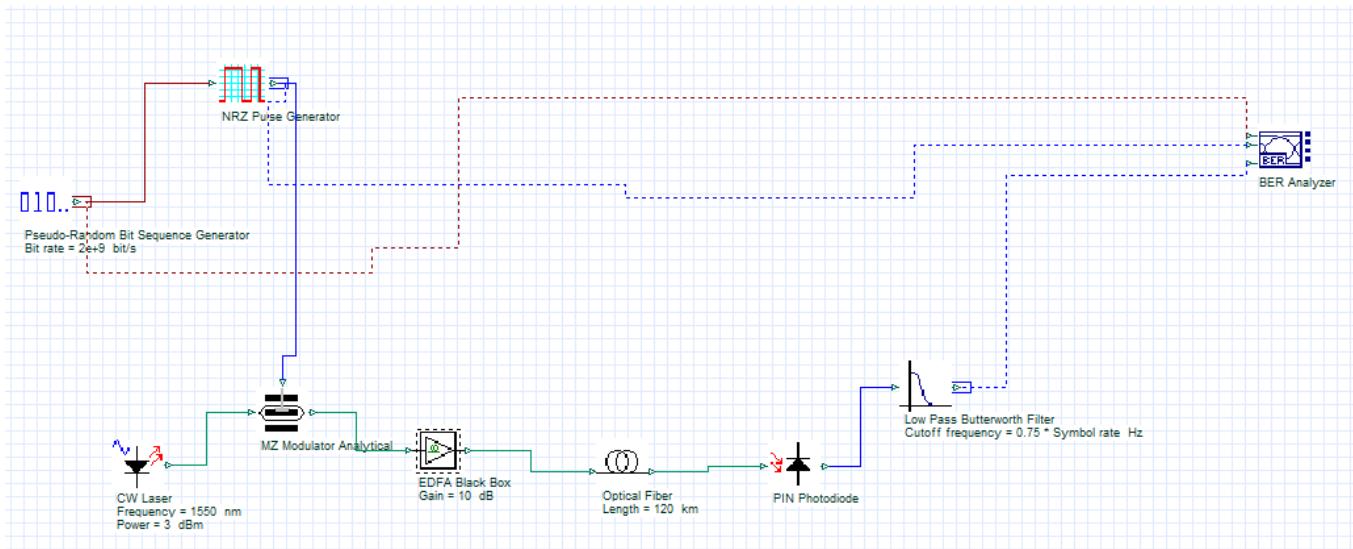
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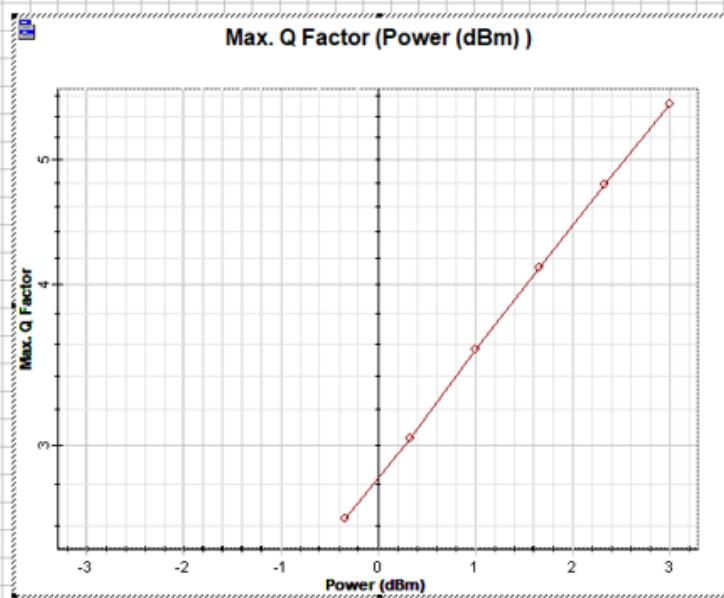
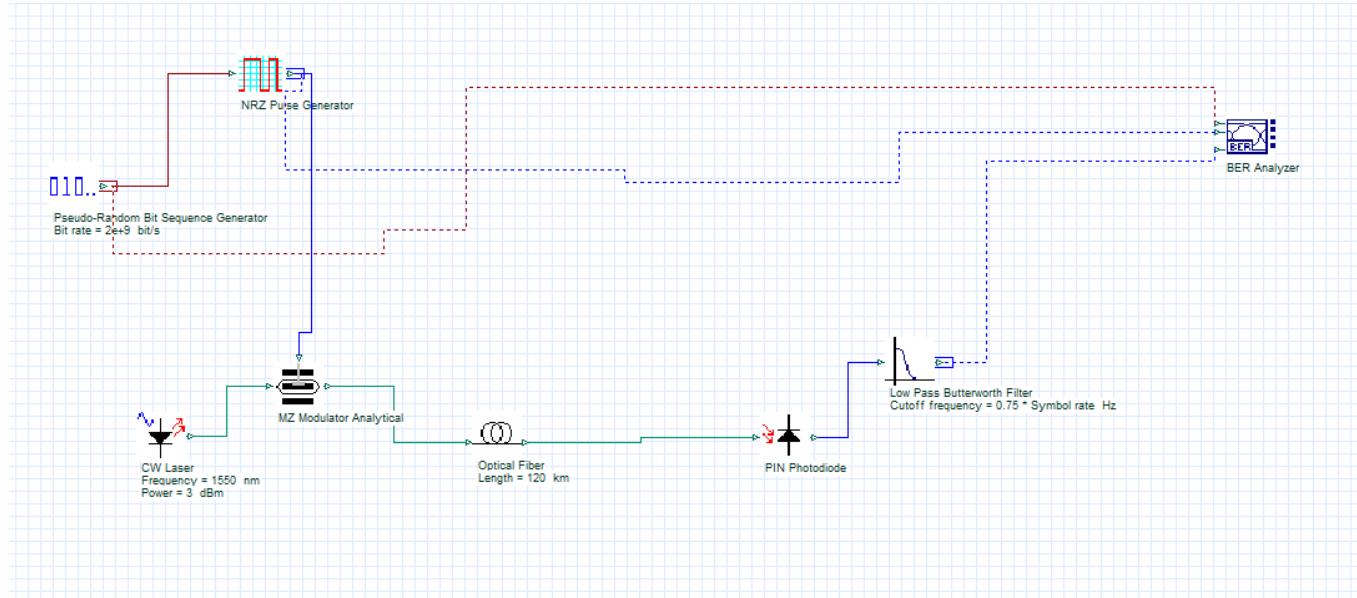
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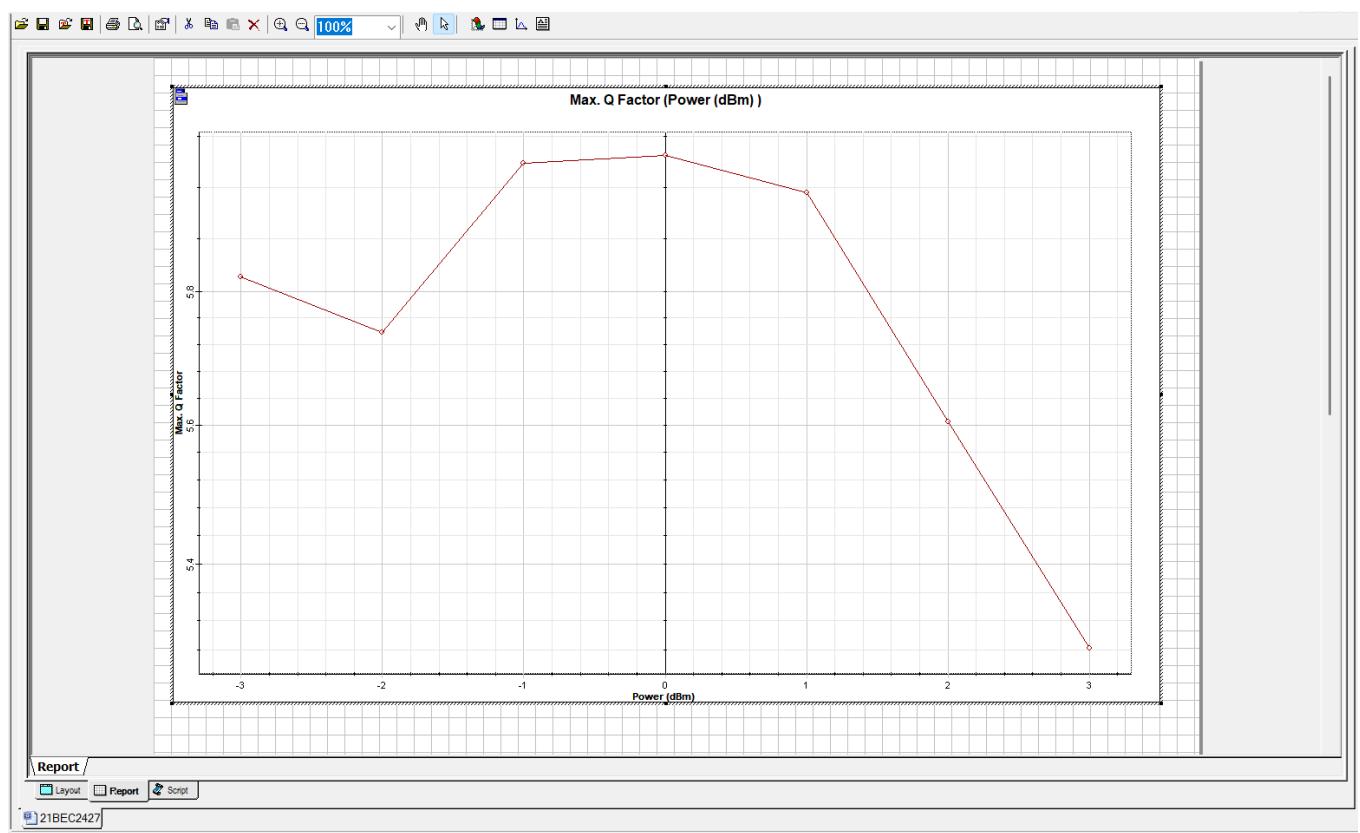
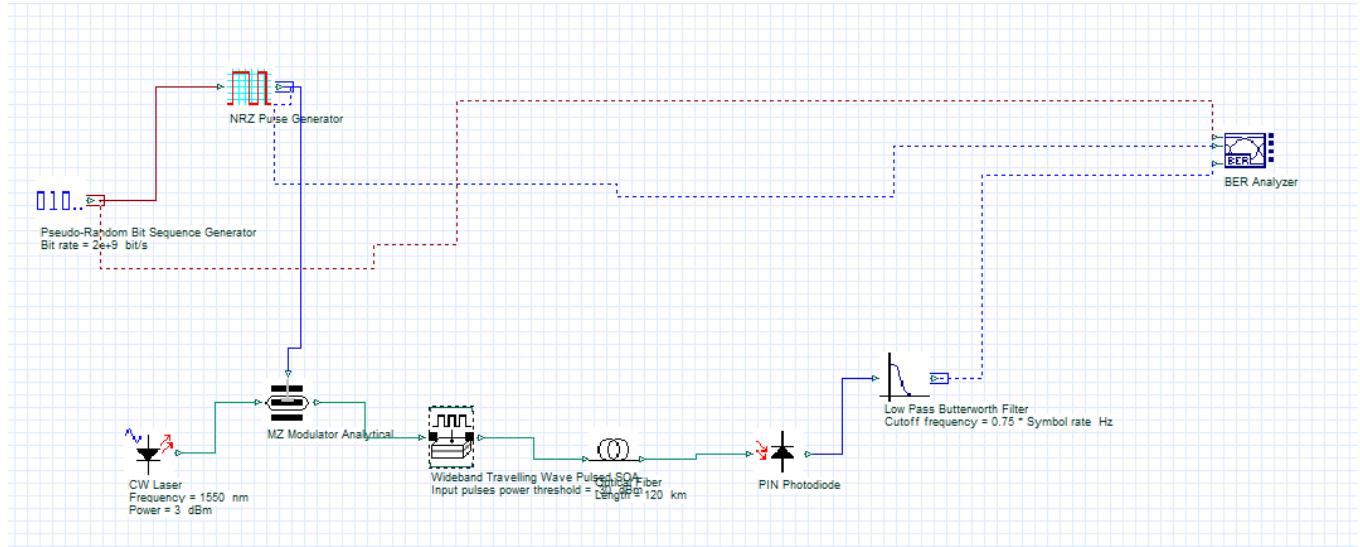
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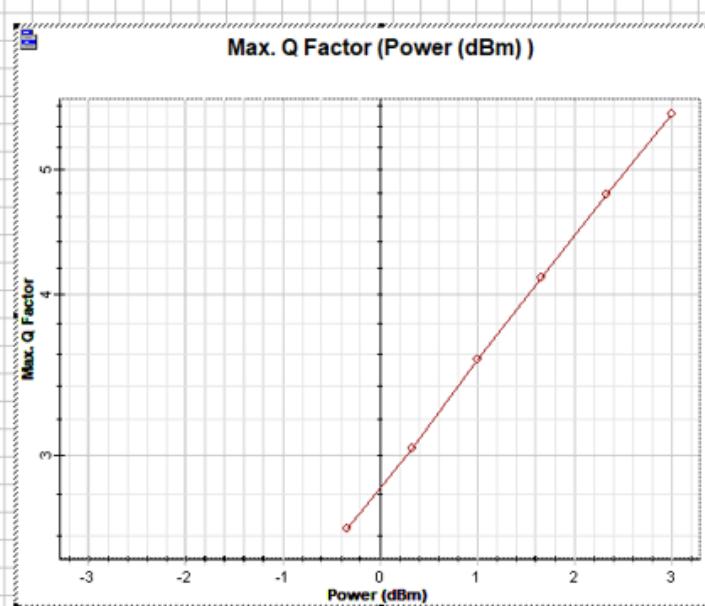
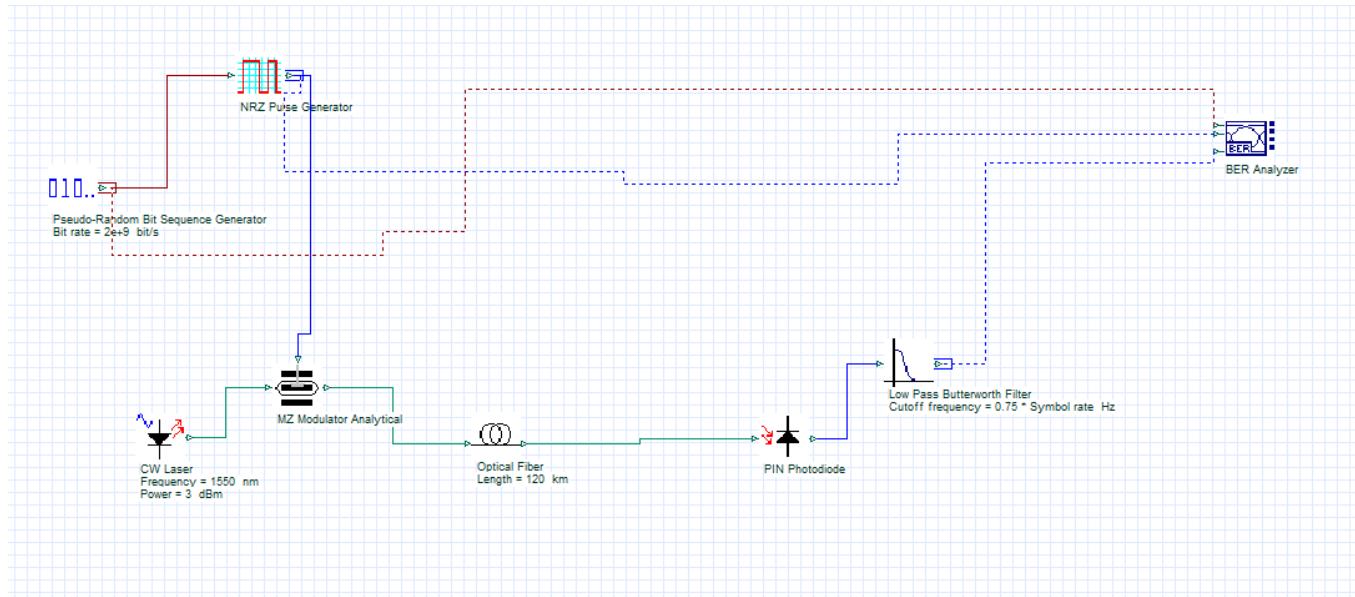
Pre amplifier Without EDFA



Pre amplifier With SOA



Pre amplifier Without SOA



Experiment - 4

SIM → To analyse the performance of WDM techniques in optical communication system. The experiment will focus on evaluating key parameters such as BER, channel spacing, loss, etc. & overall system performance.

Apparatus → light runner

Theory → Wavelength Division Multiplexing (WDM) is a technology that multiplexes multiple optical carrier signals onto a single optical fiber by using a different wavelength of laser light. This allows for simultaneous transmission of multiple data streams, significantly increasing the capacity of the optical fibre.

Key Parameters → Channel Spacing → The difference in wavelength between adjacent channels. Narrow spacing increases capacity but leads to crosstalk.

• BER → A critical measure of system performance indicating the number of bit errors per unit time.

Procedure →

- ① Using the hardware light runner system
- ② The wavelengths are 1510 nm, 1530 nm, 1550 nm & 1570 nm.
- ③ We will connect i/p. of the wavelength with the connecting fibers.

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- ④ Then we will select WDM option from system.
- ⑤ Then we will connect it to receiver.
- ⑥ We see that there is cross talk & there are different amplitudes we will get the outputs.
- ⑦ Then we will connect inputs to mux & the MUX to DEMUX & then DEMUX to output then note down readings.
- ⑧ Finally we will keep 1st reading null & due to this could talk interference.

Result & Conclusion ↗

In direct connection will have loss of low when we MUX - DEMUX thus there is significant loss of the signal and finally we will see the incomplete signal output in the final one.

case-I
 $i/p \rightarrow r/m$
 $o/p \rightarrow 4W$

Ruty cycle (constant) 50%

optical source	laser power	PD output (μW)
1510 nm	50	67 μW
1530 nm	93	219 μW
1550 nm	70	202 μW
1570 nm	30	0

case-II (Indirect through MUX)
 Stop & Run again

optical source (nm)	laser power	PD Output (μW)
1510	50	24
LED	93	187
1550	70	56
1570	30	0

case-III Visible (1530 nm) \rightarrow from i/p

OS (nm)	laser power	PD output (4W)
1510	50	27
→ 1530	93	(2)
1550	70	58
1570	30	0

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Experiment - 5

Aim → Objective of this experiment is to do the performance analysis of the passive optical components like the circulator, coupler and splitter.

Apparatus → light runner system

Theory →

Optical circulator: It is a multiport device with non-reciprocal transmission characteristics. When light enters through port 1 of the circulator it exists through port 2 of the circulator. But when light enters ^{through} port 2 or 3 it will exist through port 3 showing the non-reciprocity of the circulator.

Optical coupler: They are photonic devices capable of dividing an optical signal to different ports or it is used to couple or merge 2 different signals and give 1 single output.

The merging and division occurs in terms of a fixed proportion. There are different proportions in which the signals are combined or divided.

Procedure →

- First we will start the light runner equipment then we will set the input to the 1530 & 1560 nm waves.
- we will then set up the circulator unit where the 1530 ~~nm~~ will be the input and then we will take output from port 2 & port 3 & finally compare the output of the both.
- Then we will setup for the output of the coupler and splitter. The input of the coupler is 1530 and 1550 nm and then we will take the output.
- The splitter will have the power of input as the difference of the power between the two outputs.

Results and Conclusion →

We can see the effects of the passive optical components in the circuits as we use the light runner equipment and the power difference readings clearly show us the functionalities are performed.

Observation →

Wimulator →

Input	Direct Connection	Wimulator output
1530nm	222 μW	216 μW (P_2)
	222 μW	14 μW (P_3)

Splitter →

Input	Direct Connection	Splitter
1530nm	-0.34 dBm	-5.21 dBm
		-4.80 dBm

Coupler →

Input	Direct Connection	Coupler
1530	-1.27 dBm	-3.39 dBm
1550	-2.44 dBm	

Experiment - 6

Aim → To analyse the performance of different dispersion compensation techniques, specifically using dispersion compensation fiber (DCF) and fiber bragg grating (FBG), and compare their effectiveness in mitigating dispersion in optical fiber communication system using optisystem software.

Apparatus / Components → optisystem 21.0.6

Theory → In optical communication systems, dispersion is one of the primary factors that degrade the signal quality over long distance. Chromatic dispersion causes different wavelengths of a light pulse to travel at different speeds, leading to pulse broadening, into symbol interference and ultimately limiting the transmission of data rate.

Dispersion Compensation Techniques →

Dispersion Compensating Fibers →

- DCF is special type of fiber with a negative dispersion coefficient, when inserted in series with standard SMF, DCF compensates for the positive dispersion accumulated in SMF, thereby reducing overall dispersion.

Fiber Bragg Grating (FBG)

- FBG is a type of grating embedded in optical fiber that reflects specific wavelengths while allowing other to pass. FBGs can be used to compensate for dispersion by reflecting and delaying different spectral components along them properly to counteract dispersion effects.

Procedure →

- Construct circuit as shown in the block diagram.
- Place the DCT optical fiber in 3 different states.
- Take readings for it without any compensation techniques.
- Then we will take readings for pure compensation, post compensation and inline compensation.
- Repeat the same with the FBG filter.

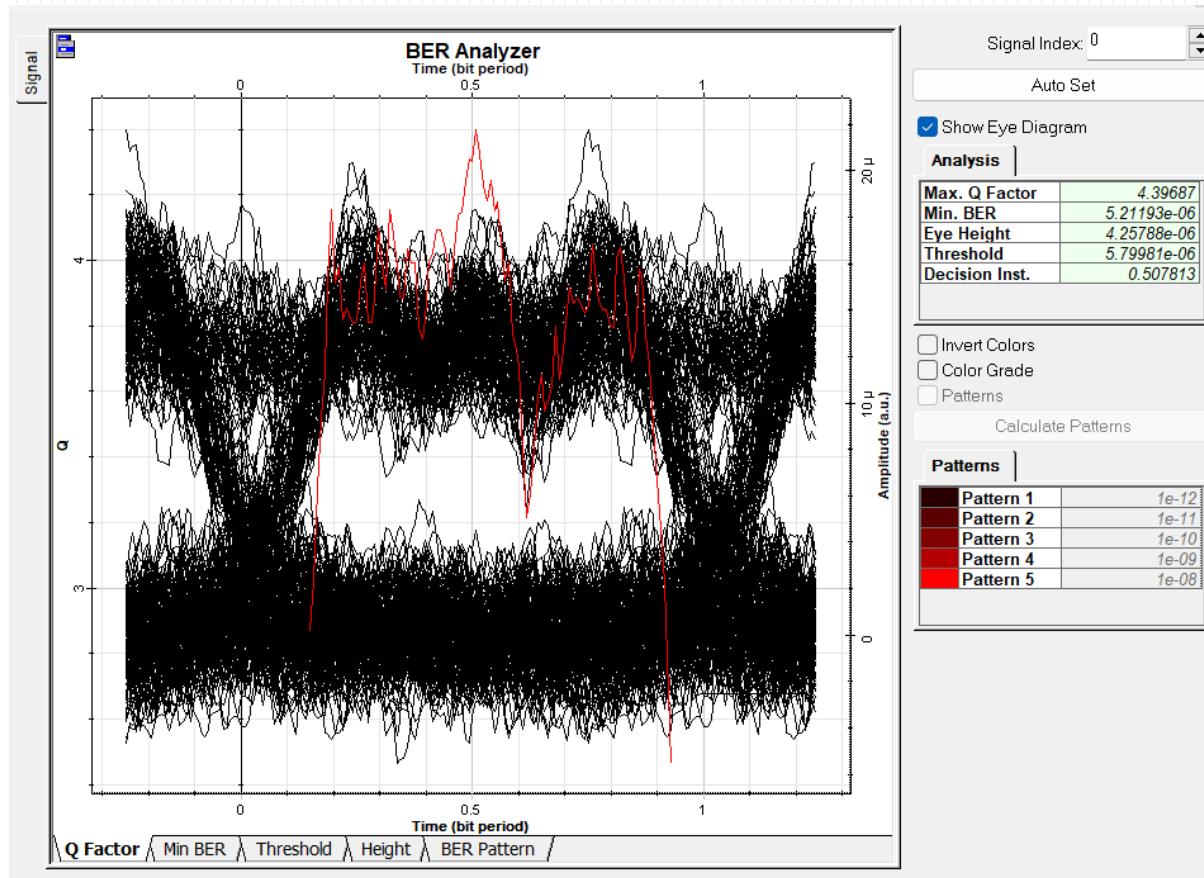
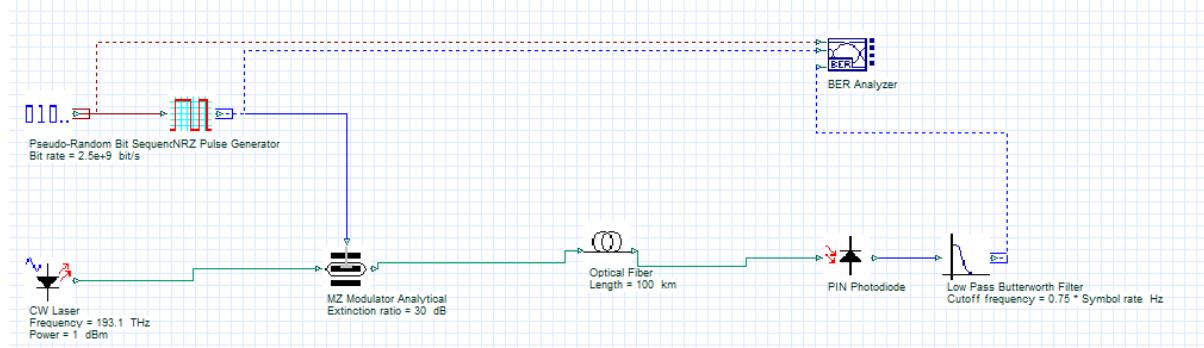
Results →

The without compensation has the least Q factor b/w the compensation techniques. FBG is better than DCT and pure & post are the same b/w are better than Inline Compensation.

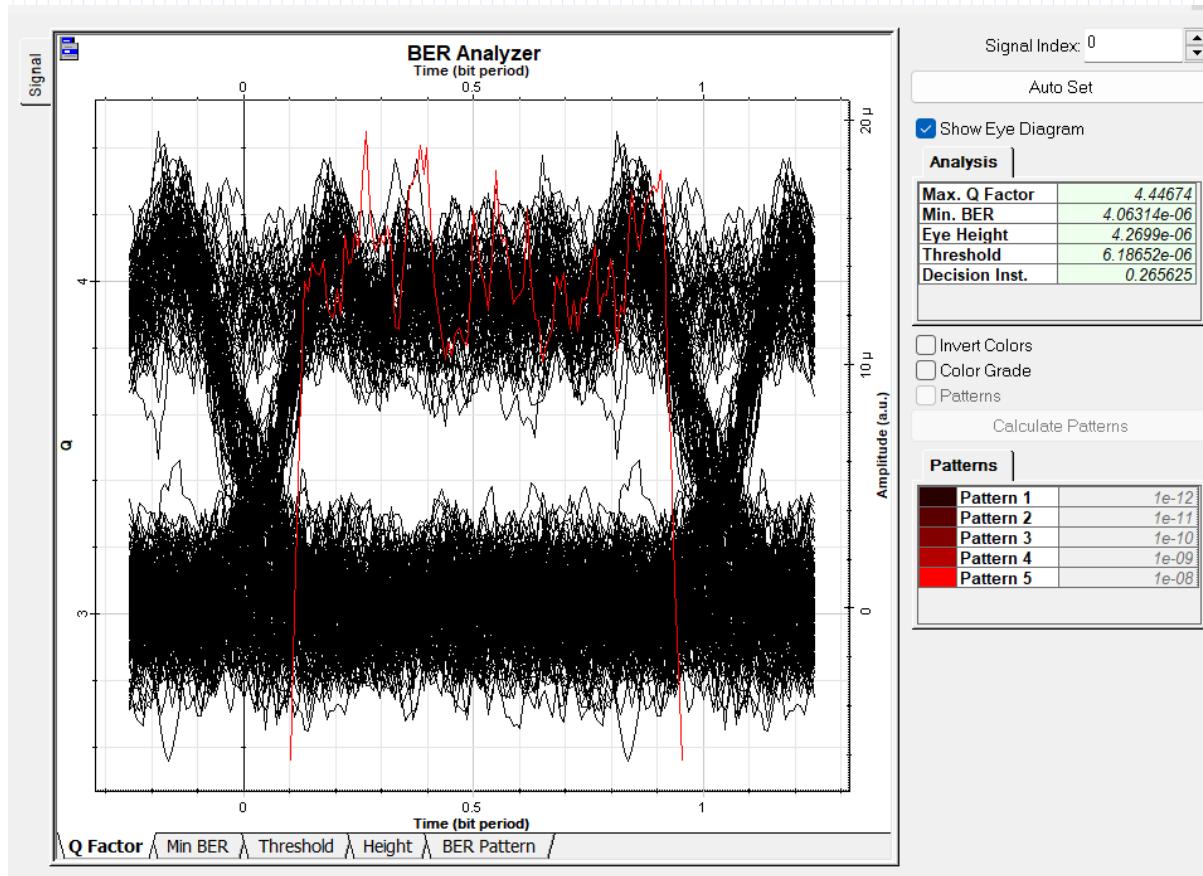
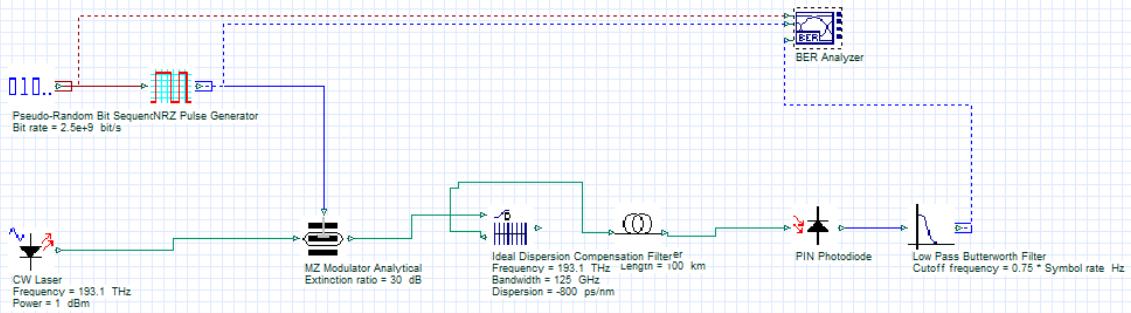
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DISPERSION COMPENSATION FIBER

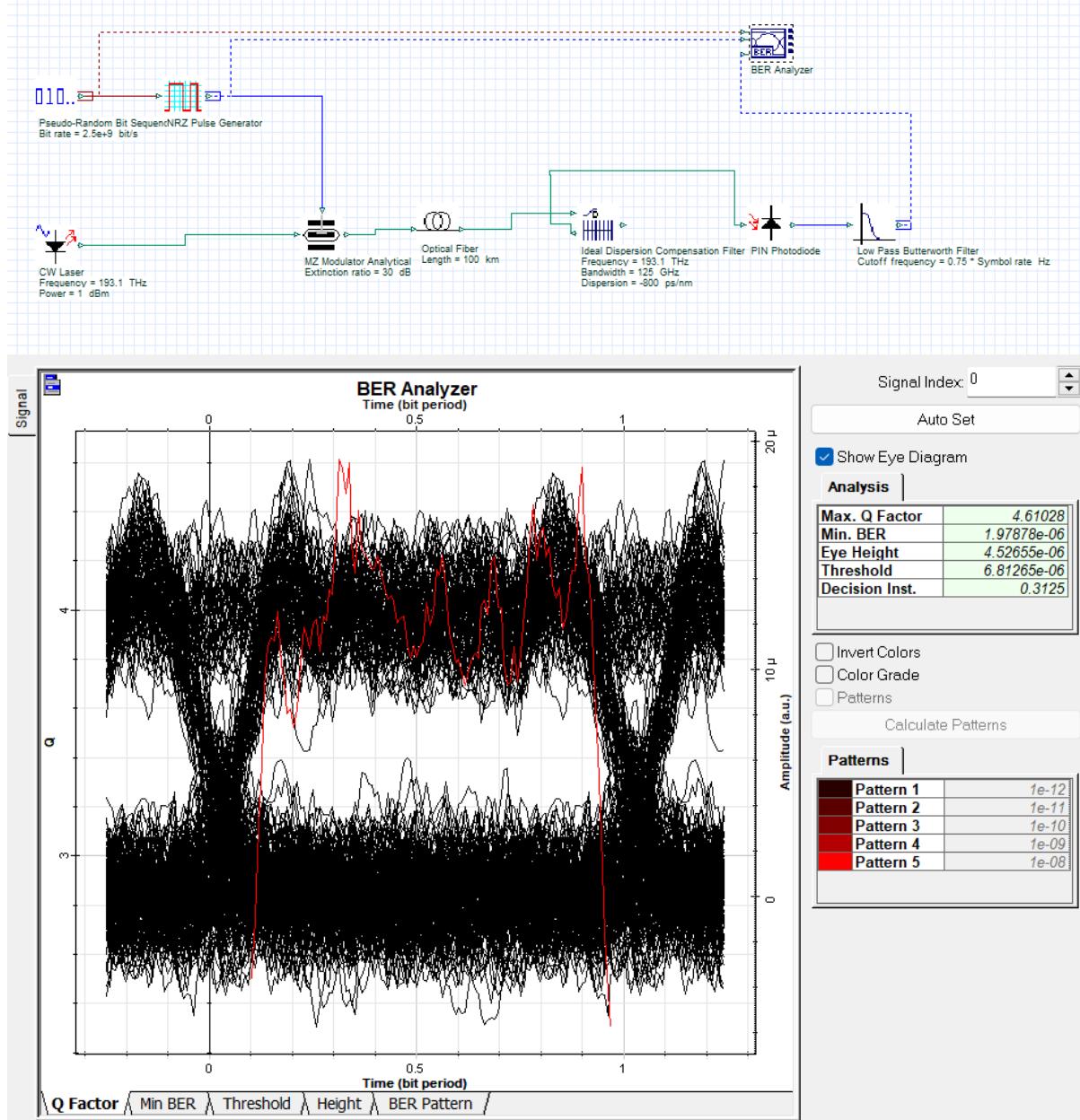
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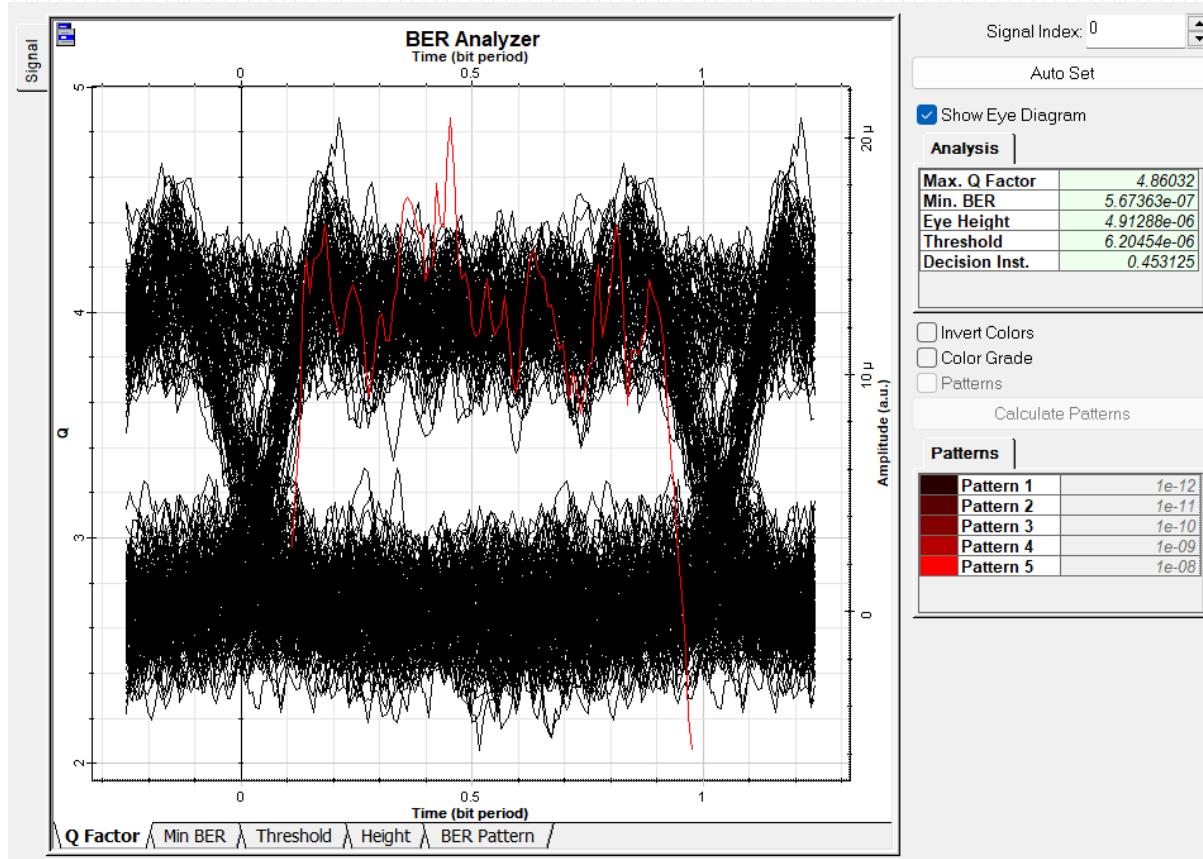
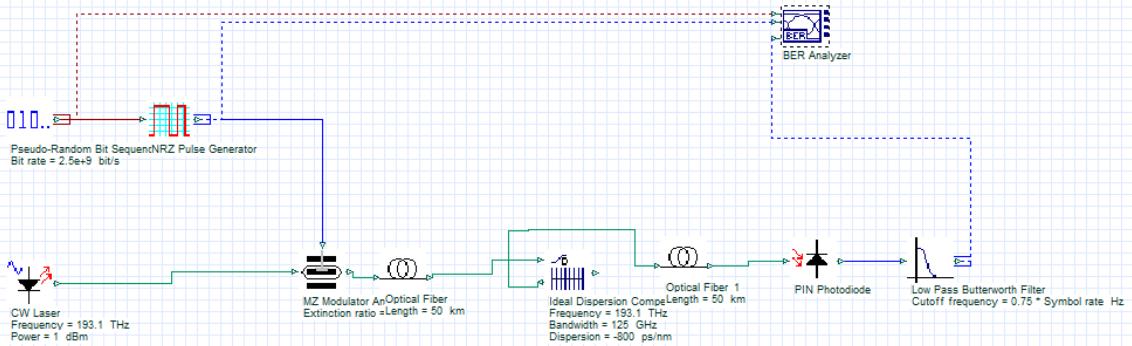
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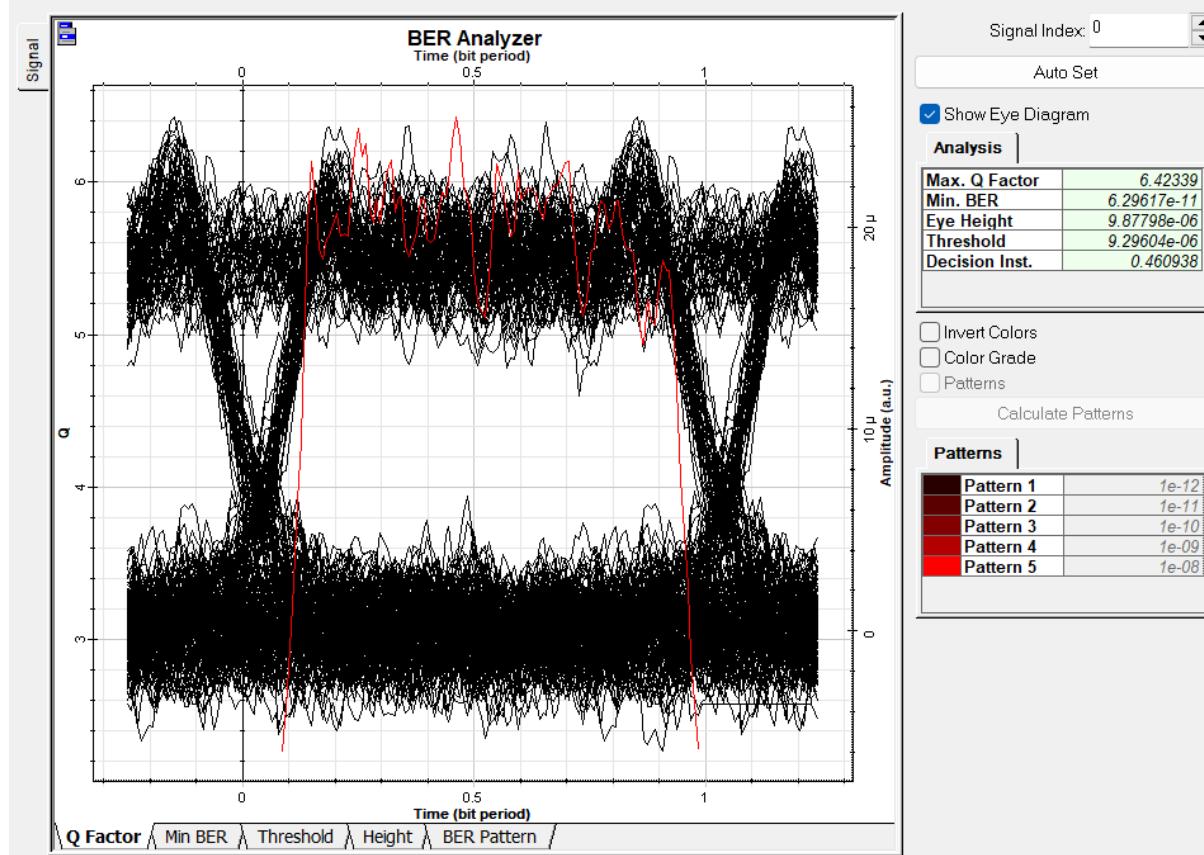
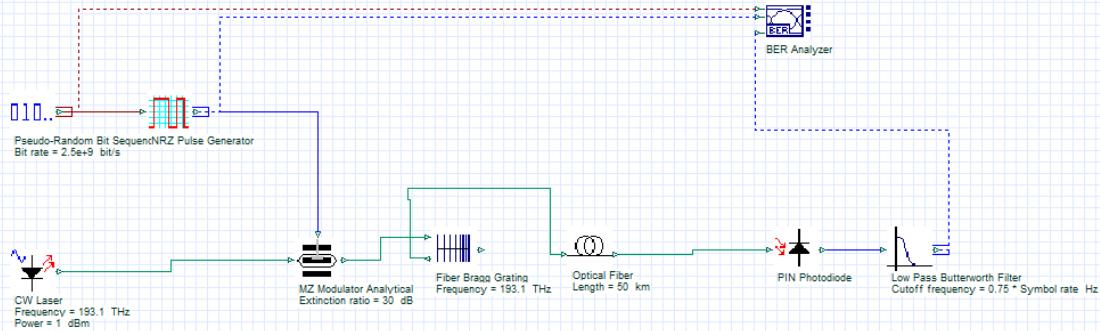
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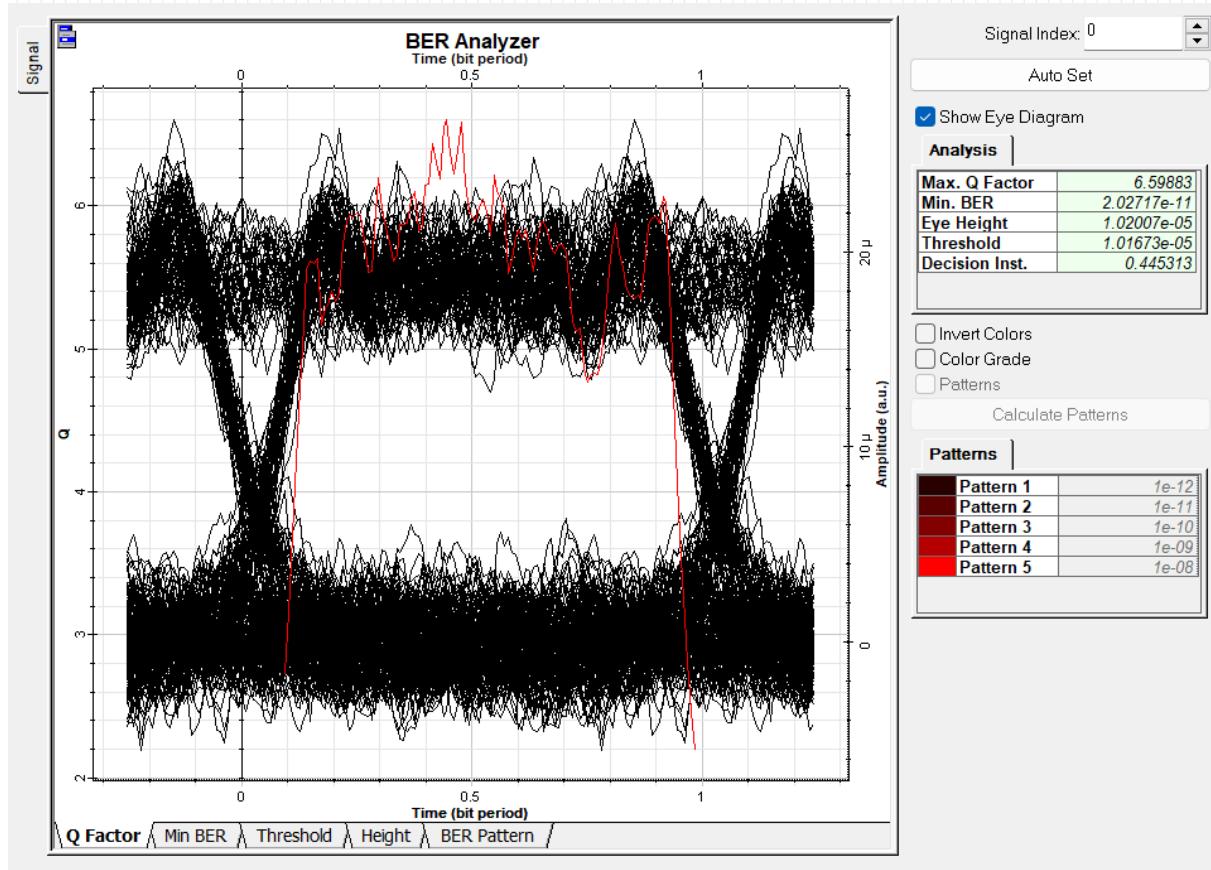
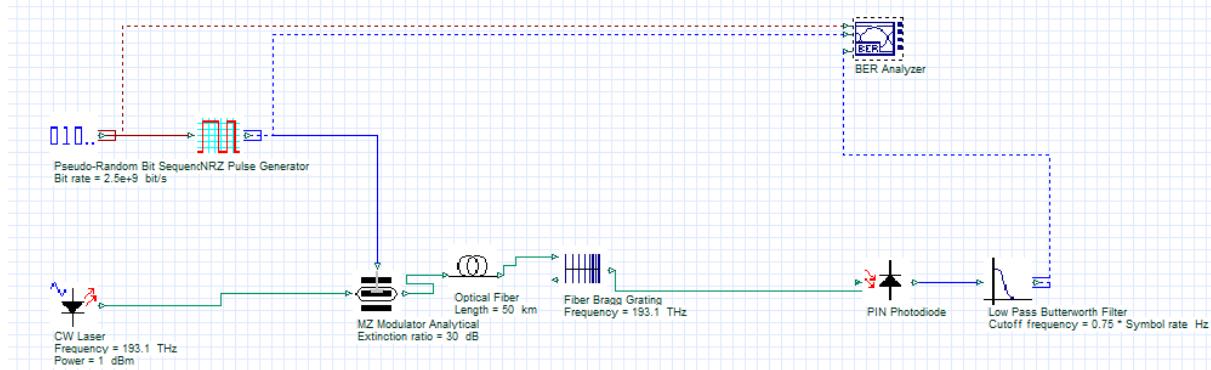
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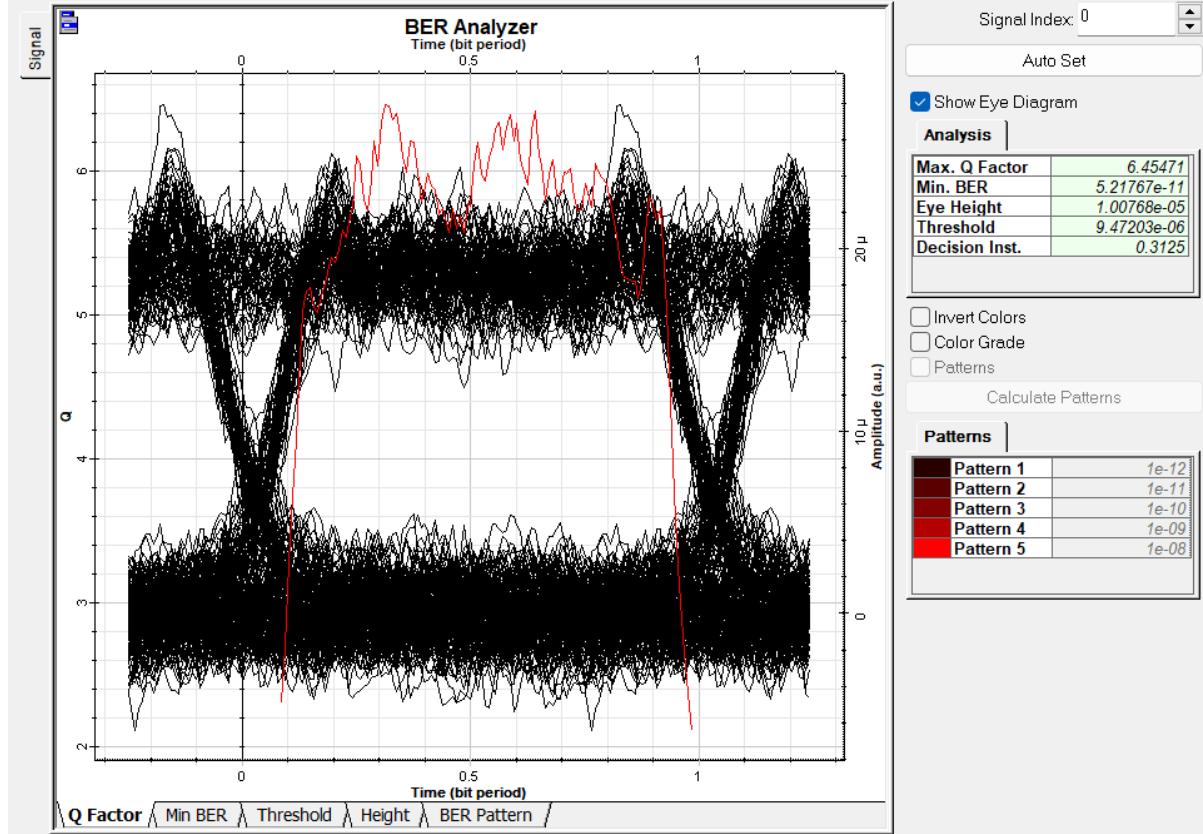
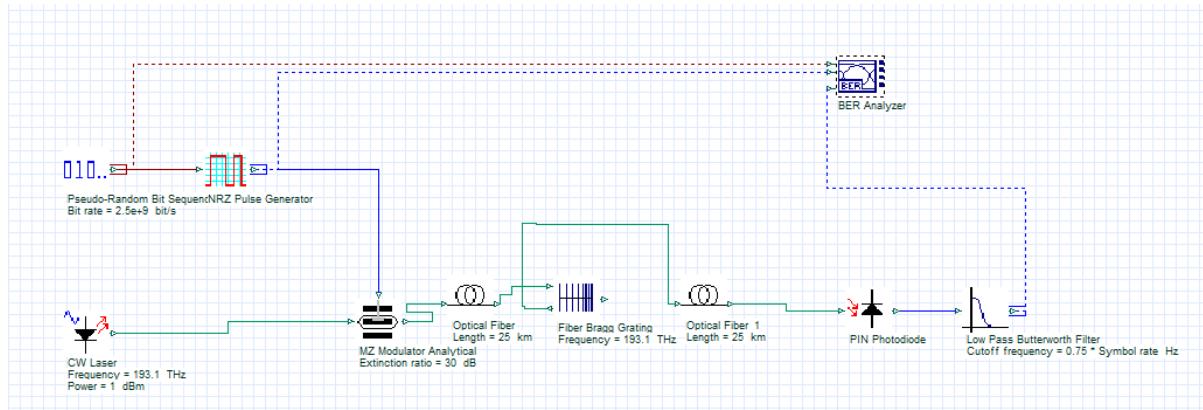
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Experiment - 7

Aim → To analyze the non-linear effects in an optical communications system and evaluate their effects on the signal quality.

Components → optisystem 21.0.0.

Theory → Non-linear effects in optical fiber arise primarily due to the intensity of the transmitted optical signal and its interaction with the medium. These effects are significant in long distance and high power transmission and include:

① self-phase modulation (SPM)

SPM occurs when the optical signal's intensity modulates its own phase due to the Kerr effect. This leads to spectral broadening and can impact pulse propagation, especially in high-speed systems.

② Cross-phase modulation (XPM)

XPM occurs when the phase of one wavelength (or channel) is modulated by the intensity of another wavelength within a wavelength division multiplexed (WDM) system. This interaction distorts the signals and degrades overall system performance.

Four wave mixing (FWM)

FWM is a non-linear effect where different frequency components mix, generating new frequency that interferes with the original signal. The effect is more prominent in WDM systems, causing crosstalk & losses channels.

Procedure →

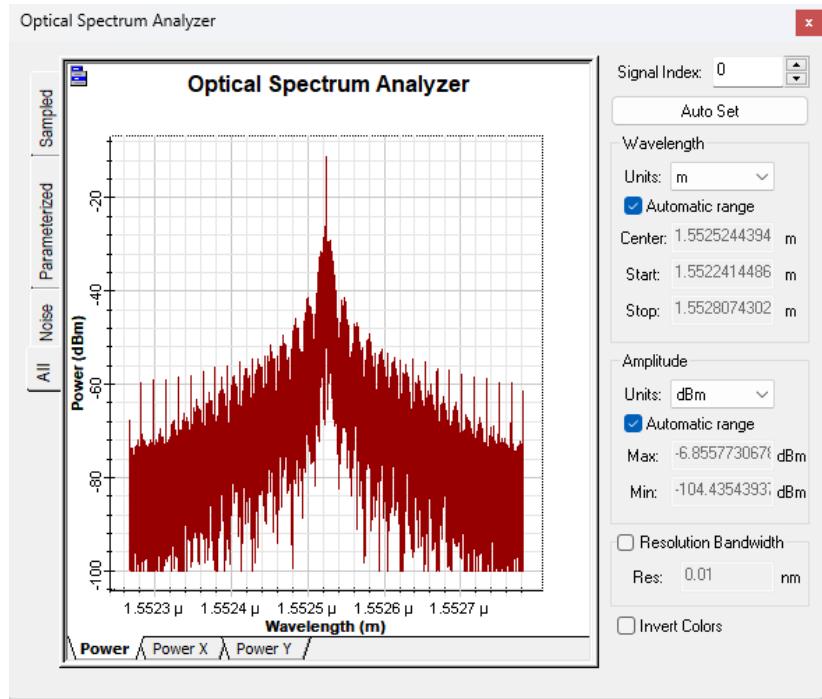
- First construct the FWM circuit. This we will use the non-linear optical fiber which has 2 input and 2 outputs.
- There are 2 spectrum analyzers used to check the output.
- Construct the SPM circuit as given in the block diagram.
- The output of the spectrum analyzer is analyzed before and after it passes through the non-linear fiber.
- Then construct the cross phased modulation circuit as shown in the diagram.
- This will have 2 inputs and a single output.
- There are 2 optical analyzers for input and 1 for the output.

Results →

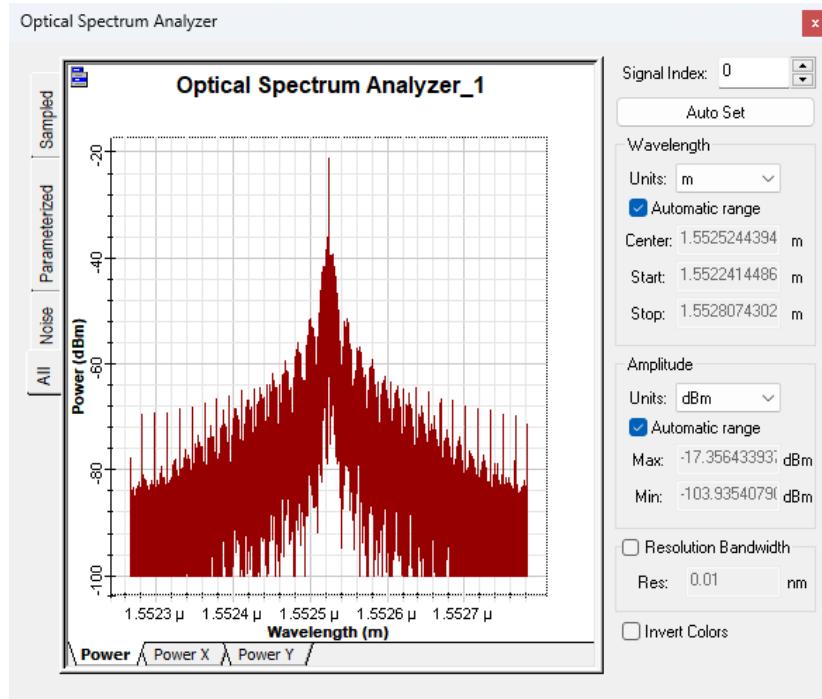
- The output of each modulation is always have a better maximum amplitude value.
- The cross phased modulation will have the output which is either less than both the inputs.

Self- phase modulation:

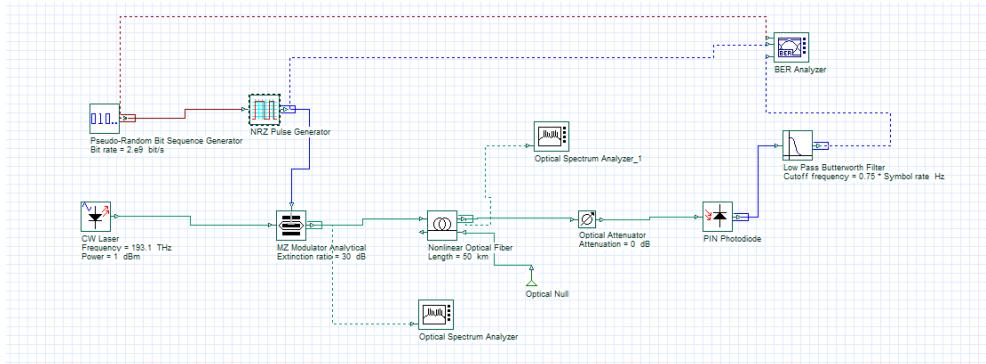
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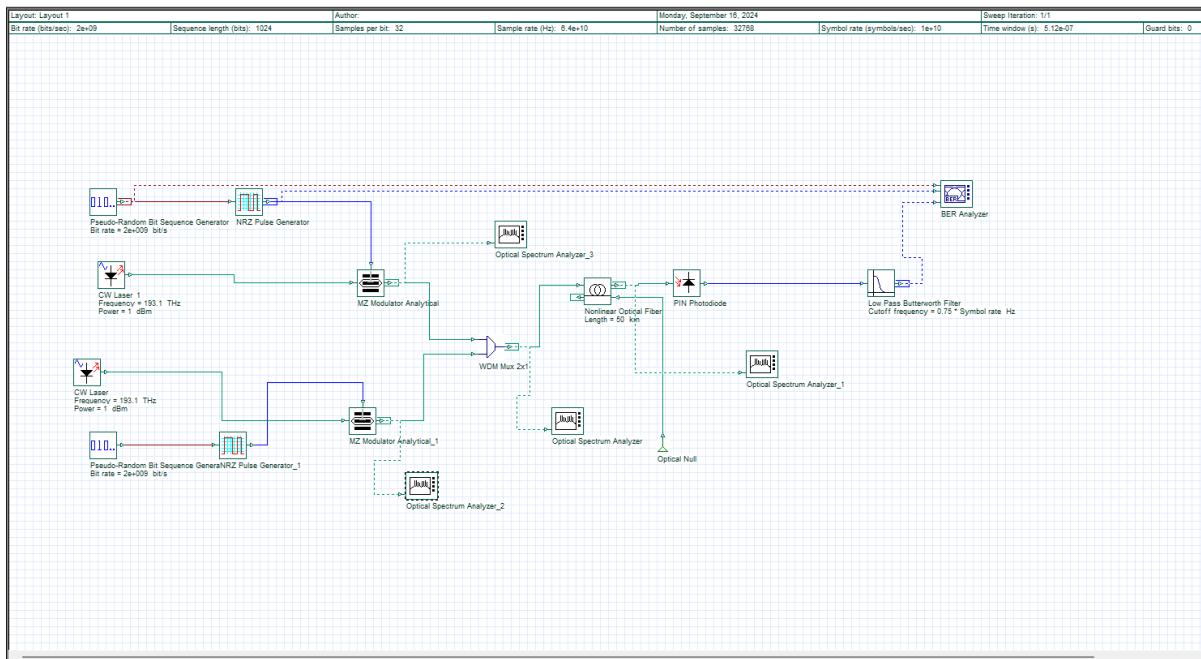
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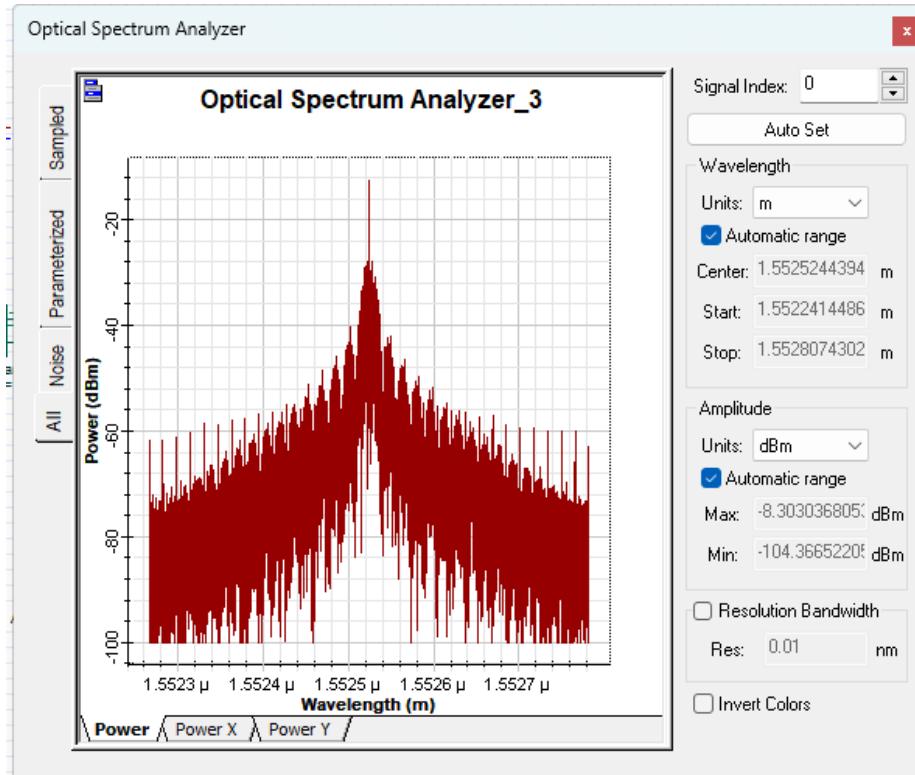
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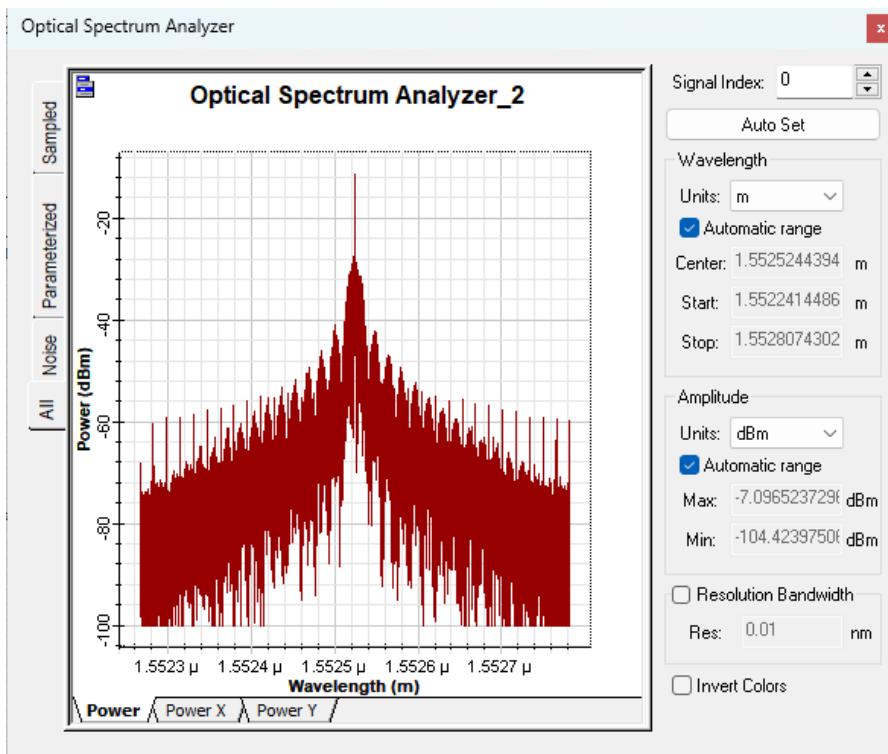
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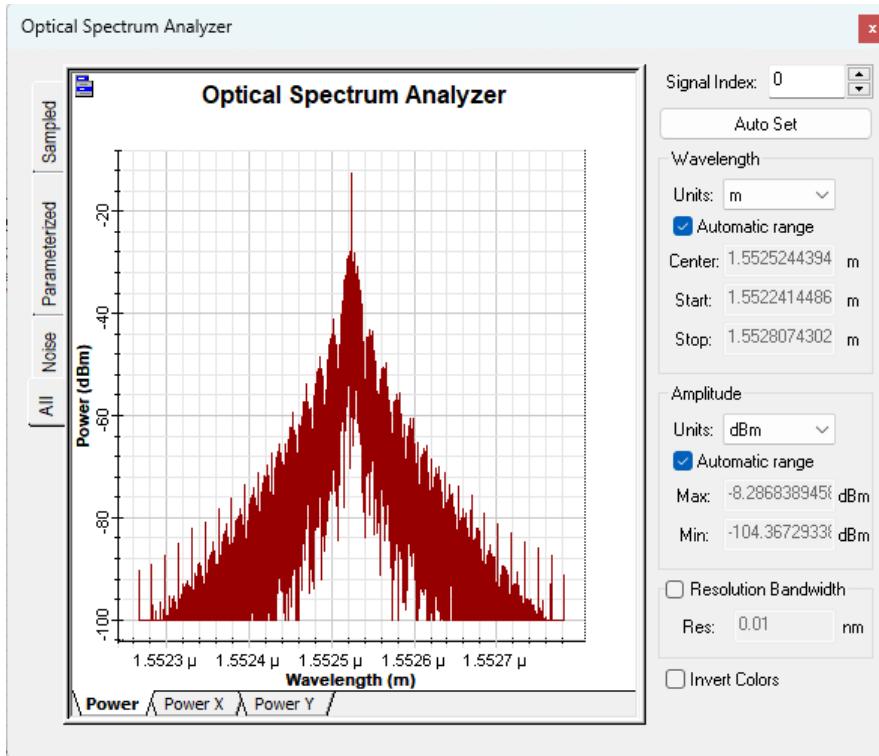
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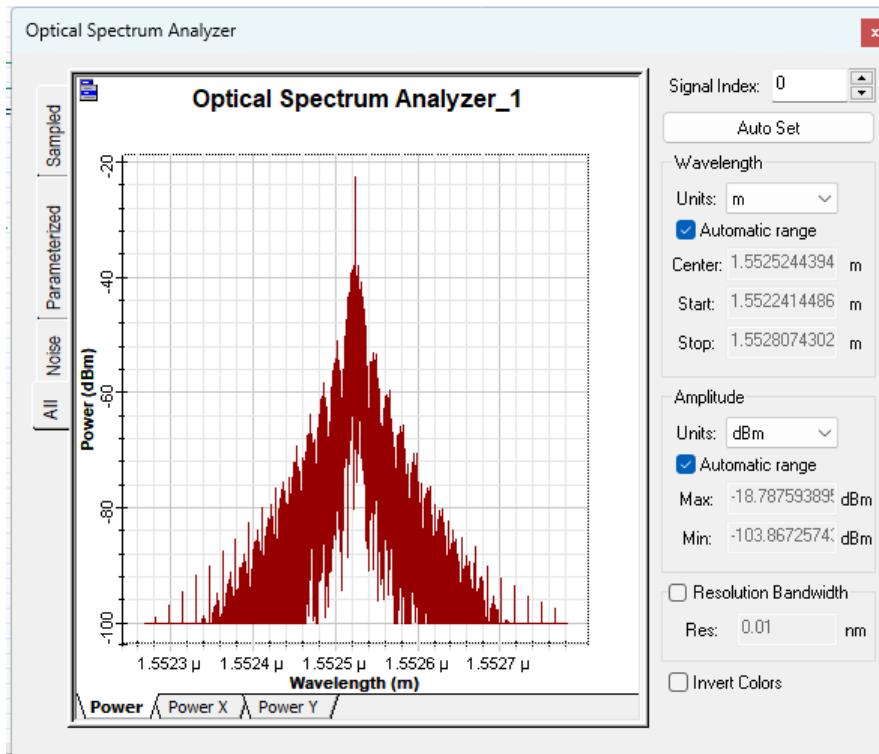
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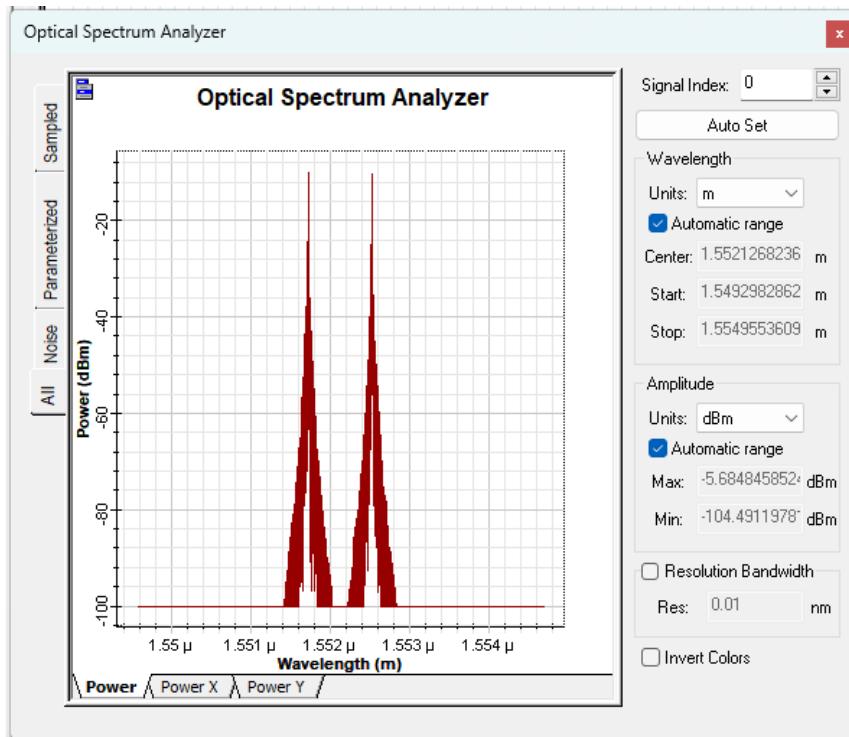
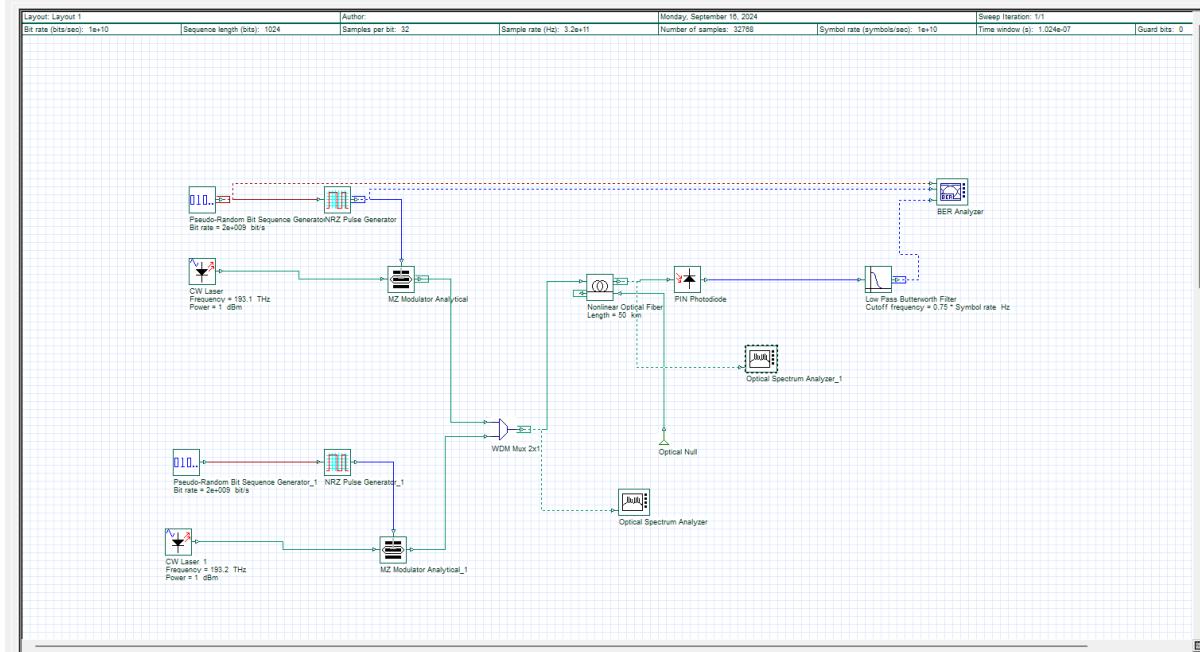
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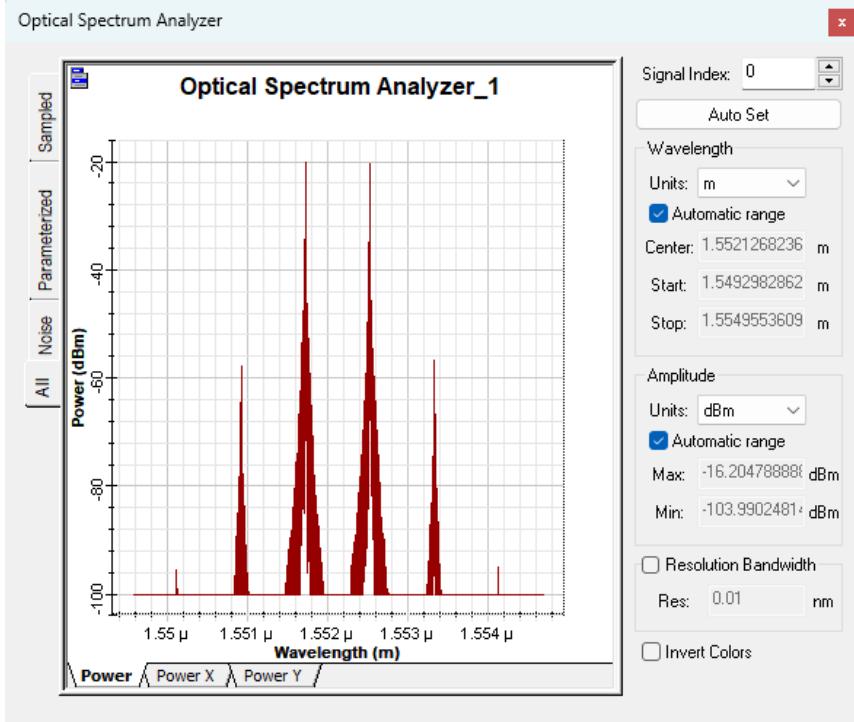


Output at non linear optical fiber:



Four wave mixing:





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Design a point to point optical system

Aim → To design a point to point optical system & to observe the transfer of system's signal from source to receiver.

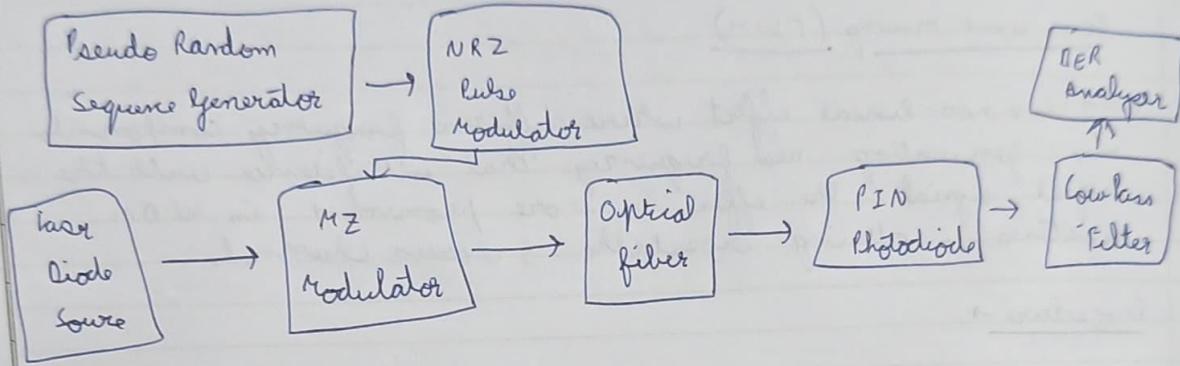
Apparatus Light runner System

Theory → A point to point optical system includes a source, fiber & receiver, the signal will travel from the source point to the destination point.

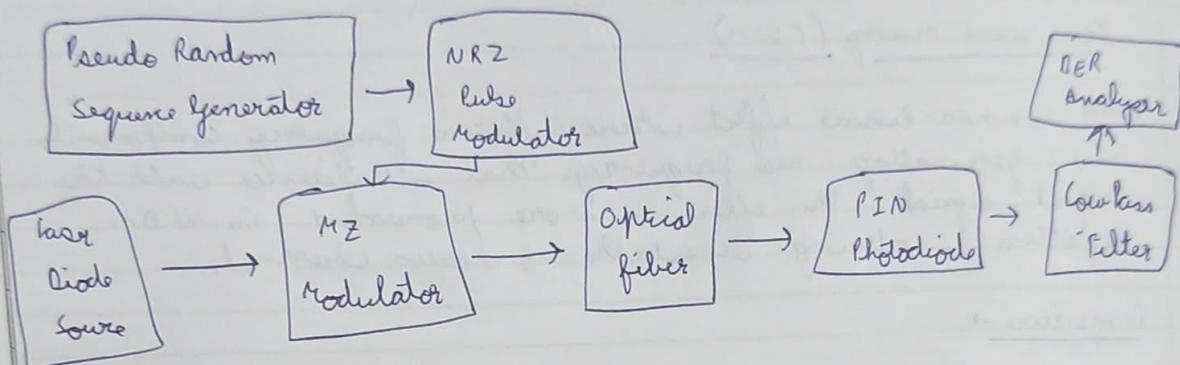
(a) Transmitter: This component converts electrical signal into optical signals. It uses a light source, such as laser diode or LED. The laser diode is preferred for a long distance communication due to its coherent & monochromatic light outputs which helps in reducing dispersion.

(b) Optical Fiber: This medium consists of core surrounded by cladding, both made of silica or plastic, with different refractive indices. The core carries the signal using Total Internal Reflection (TIR). There are two main types of optical fibers
 Single Mode Fibre (SMF)
 Multi Mode Fibre (MMF)

Block Diagram →



Block Diagram →



(c) Receiver: This component converts the optical signal back to an electrical signal. It uses a photo detector, such as a photodiode, which generates an electrical current when it absorbs light. The receiver might also often include a transimpedance amplifier to convert the current to a voltage signal & an electric filter to remove noise.

Procedure :-

- Connect the light source 1510 nm & 1550 nm source to IP of the Inbuilt mux
- Connect the mux output to fiber star
- Fiber is initially 1 x m, then 2 f finally 3
- End of fiber is connected to the demux IP.
- Demux O/P is send to the O/P Newport
- We select Experiment → characterization of mux & demux
- Duty cycle of all signal is 50%.
- Laser power is 100% & 80%

Result :-

We observe that as distance increases the O/I power will decrease.

Estimate Lower & High Time Budget

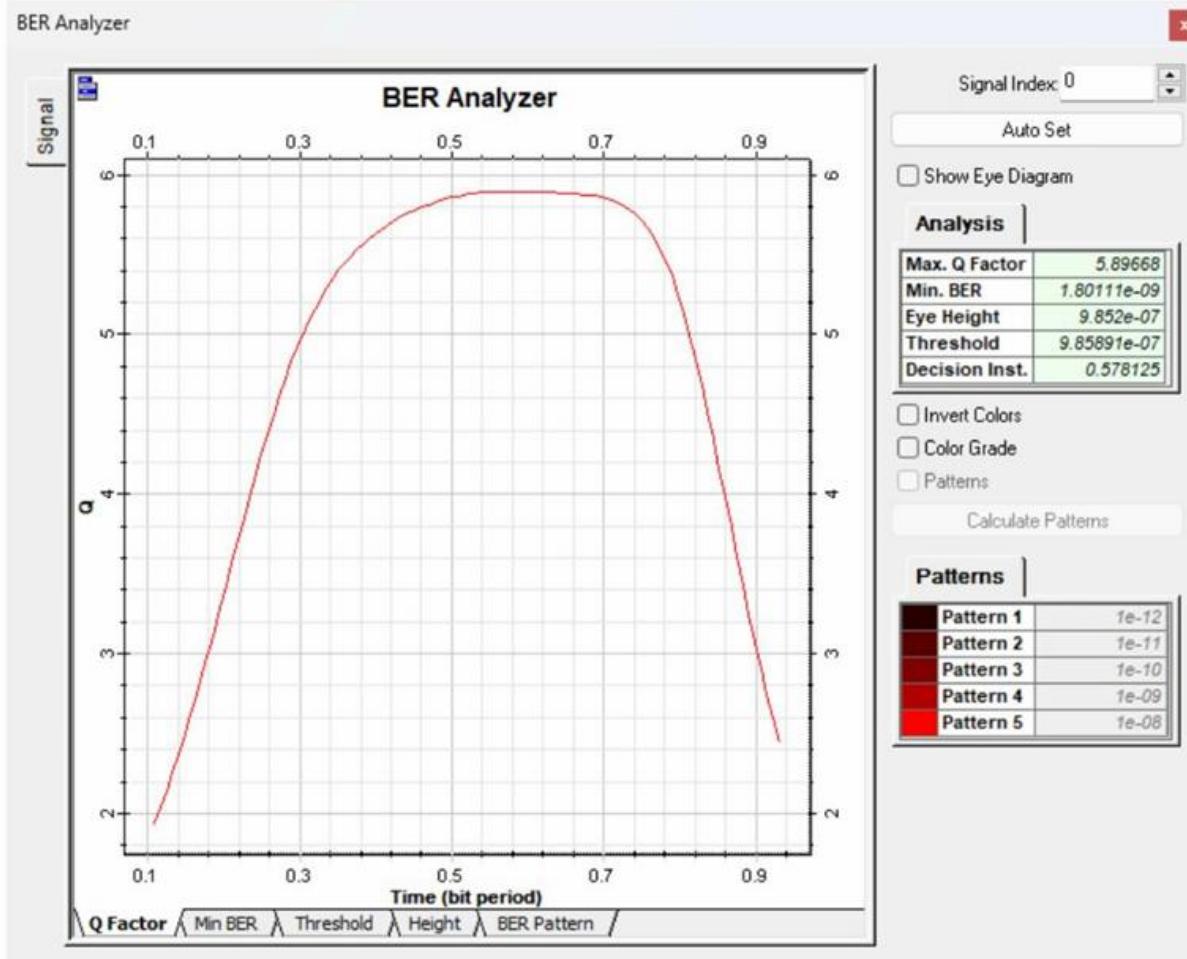
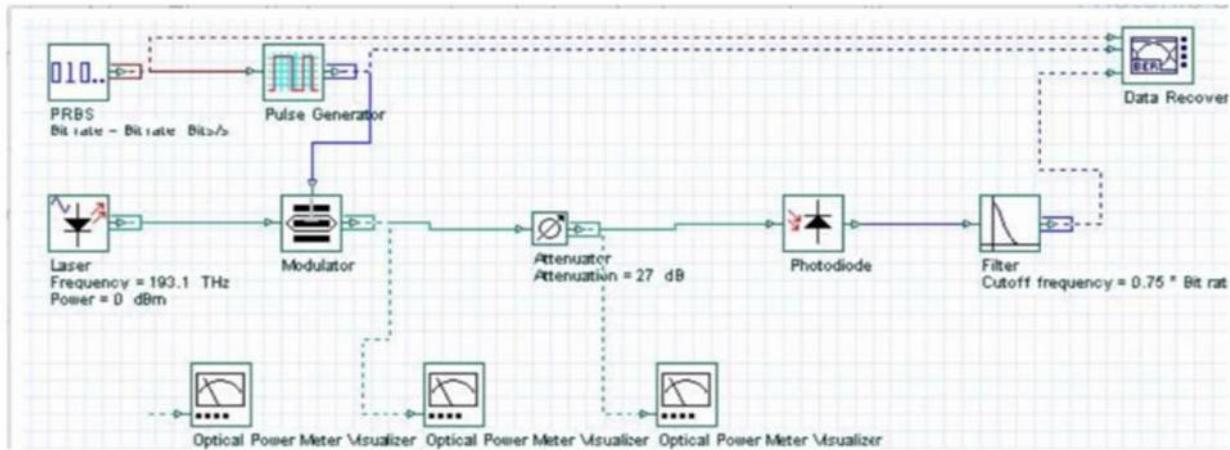
- Aim → (a) To designing a optical power loss model for a point to point link without considering dispersion
 (b) To estimating the link power budget for the above model.
 (c) To measure the maxth distance.

Apparatus required → Optisystem Software 21.0.0

Theory →

The link power budget calculates the power margin between transmitter output & minimum receiver sensitivity needed to achieve a specific BER. This margin covers losses from a connector, splices, fiber, potential future components, and other impairments. If components don't support the desired distance, replacements or amplifiers may be needed. The optical link loss budget is based on the cumulative losses of each component, measurement made in decibels (dB) as $\text{Loss} = 10 \log (P_o/P_{in})$, where P_o & P_{in} are the off & input power respectively. This budget allocates the total allowable loss across connectors, splices, fiber & system margin to ensure sufficient power reaches the receiver for reliable, long term performance. This reliability is for ~~and~~ minimising distance or bit rate at a minth BER.

Block Diagram



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Procedure →

- Draw the block diagram in Optisystem software.
- Provide the i/p specification for each component.
- Save & run the simulation.
- Obtain the reading.
- Draw the graph.
- Write the result & inference.

Inference →

The graph is observed which shows a plateau with a positive slope factor of a low BER.

Teacher's Signature _____

Detect the faults of a fiber using OTDI

AIM → To detect & analyse faults in an optical fiber using an optical Time - domain reflectometer (OTDR)

Apparatus → Light Runner Equipment

Theory → An optical time domain reflectometer (OTDR) is an instrument used to characterise an optical fiber. It works by sending a series of light pulses into the fiber & measuring the light that is scattered & reflected back to the instrument from different points along the fiber. The returned signal provides information about the fiber length, attenuation & the location of any faults, splices or breaks.

Key concepts related to OTDR:

(a) Rayleigh Scattering: Occurs due to small impurities in the fiber material which scatter the light in all directions. The intensity of the scattered light is used to determine the fiber's loss characteristics.

(b) Fresnel Reflection: occurs in the refractive index, such as fiber connectors, splices or breaks. This reflection is used to locate faults or breaks in the fiber.

- (c) Backscatter: The scattered light that is returned to the OTDR. The strength & time delay of backscatter signal help determine the distance to events (faults, splices or connections) along the fiber.
- (d) Dead zone: The distance from the i/p where the OTDR cannot detect events due to high intensity of the fresnel reflection. It is essential to use launch cable to minimize dead zone.

Procedure →

- Turn on light runner, experiment OTDR
- Make connections as shown in block diagram
- Input signal is connected to P1
- Faulty wire is connected to P2
- Reflected signal is received in P3
- We calculate the length of the fiber from the formula
- If the length is equal then there is no fault in the line.

Inference →

The observed values are equal to the theoretical values and this shows there are little to no faults in the fiber.

Formula :

$$C = \frac{3 \times 10^8}{1.416}$$

T (μs)	Length of fiber (original)	Length of fiber (calculated)
22.0125	2 Km	2.25 Km
11.949	1 Km	0.96 Km