

# Performance Analysis Of Optical Interleave Division Multiple Access Using Solitons

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**Abstract**— In this paper, we investigated a technique to establish optical fibre interleave division multiple access communication system for long distance and high capacity using Solitons. Group Velocity Dispersion (GVD) causes most pulses to broaden in time as they propagate through an optical fibre. however , a particular pulse shape known as Solitons takes advantage of nonlinear effects in silica, particularly self phase modulation (SPM) resulting from the Kerr nonlinearity, to overcome the pulse-broadening effects of GVD. Interleave Division Multiple Access is a multiple access technique that employs user specific interleavers for distinguishing the signals from different users. This is different from conventional code division multiple access schemes in which different signature sequences are used to distinguish users.

**Keywords**— IDMA, Gaussian pulse, Solitons pulse, GVD.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Optical interleave-division multiple-access (OIDMA) scheme inherits the advantage of both Optical system and IDMA technique. It is discussed in the paper that the transmission of a Gaussian pulse is not a very good idea as it broadens with distance and degrades the system by increasing the BER. Finally Solitons based OIDMA based system is proposed which can provide very effective solution for the transmission of the very high bit rate in optical system with very less error rate.

Optical fibre is used for long distance and high bandwidth. To utilize the efficient bandwidth, Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA) technique is used in optical fibre. CDMA is mainly limited by multiple access interference (MAI) and Inter Symbol Interference (ISI). Interleave Division Multiple Access (IDMA) is the new technique which mitigate the disadvantage of CDMA. In IDMA scheme, the user-specific interleavers are designed which are unique for each user. In addition to it, for better performance iterative chip by chip multi-user detection technique is also employed in the system. The use of IDMA in optical fibre enhances the performance of the system which is shown in the result.

The objective of this paper is to use Solitons in Optical IDMA system to reduce the Group

Velocity Dispersion (GVD) causes most pulses to broaden in time as they propagate through an optical fibre. This paper organized as follows: Section II presents the Basic of IDMA, Optical IDMA and System model. Section III shows the Basic of Solitons<sup>9</sup> and its importance in OIDMA. Simulation results are discussed in Section IV. At last conclusion is presented in section V.

## II. OPTICAL IDMA

The interleave based multiple-access scheme are used for high spectral efficiency, improved performance and low receiver complexity. This scheme relies on interleaving as the only means to distinguish the signals from different users and hence it has been called interleave-division multiple-access (IDMA). The use of IDMA in Optical domain plays an important role for enhancing the performance. The block diagram of OIDMA is shown in figure:1.

In figure 1, the upper portion displays the transmitter structure of the optical IDMA scheme with  $K$  simultaneous users. Low-rate code  $C$  is used to encode the input data sequence  $d_k$  of user- $k$ , which generates a coded sequence  $c_k = [c_k(1) \dots c_k(j) \dots c_k(J)]^T$ , where  $J$  is the frame length. The elements in  $c_k$  are called coded bits. Coded sequence  $c_k$  is permuted by an interleaver  $\pi_k$ , which produces  $x_k = [x_k(1) \dots x_k(j) \dots x_k(J)]^T$ . The elements in  $x_k$  is referred to as “chips”[2, 3].

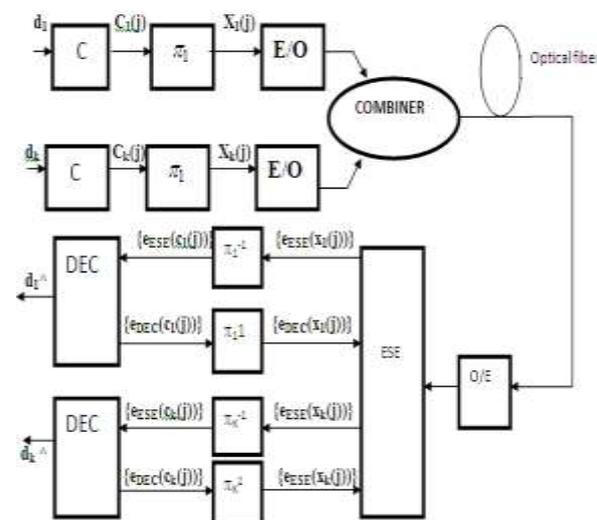


Fig.1. Optical IDMA System Showing Transmitter and Receiver Structure

The key principle of IDMA is employment of user-specific interleavers  $\{\pi_k\}$  for the purpose of user separation. It is assumed that the interleavers are generated randomly and independently. Interleavers are used to disperse the coded sequences so that the adjacent chips are approximately uncorrelated, which makes chip-by-chip detection process easy.

After the user-specific interleaver generation, electrical to optical converter (E/O) is used to get optical pulses. The electrical field of mode locked laser can be given as [10],

$$E_{MLL} = e^{i\omega t} \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} e^{ik(\Delta\omega)t} \quad (1)$$

where  $K$  is the number of modes in the mode locked laser, and  $\Delta\omega$  is the channel spacing between two consecutive modes in the mode locked laser. Now the output of MLL is modulated with interleaved data  $x_k(j)$  which is usually a simple OOK modulation. Then the transmitted data can be written as:

$$E_{MLL} X_k(j) = X_k(j) e^{i\omega t} \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} e^{ik(\Delta\omega)t} \quad (2)$$

where  $x_k(j) \in \{0,1\}$ .

In Figure 1 lower portion shows optical IDMA receiver. At the receiver front we used optical detectors (P-I-N or avalanche photo detector (APD). Optical detectors must have a wide bandwidth and sharp response to achieve the high bit-rate which is required by such a system. Responsivity of PIN diode can be given as:

$$R = \frac{I_p}{P_0} \quad (3)$$

where  $I_p$  is the photocurrent (mA),  $P_0$  is the average light power (mW).

Quantum efficiency can be given as :

$$\eta = \frac{I_p hc}{q P_0 \lambda} \quad (4)$$

The probability that a specified number of photons are absorbed from an incident optical field by a PIN detector over a chip interval with  $T_c$  is given by a Poisson distribution. The average number of absorbed photons over  $T_c$  is shown as

$$\lambda_s = \frac{\eta P_0}{hf} \quad (5)$$

where  $\lambda_s$  is the photon absorption rate,  $P_0$  is the received laser power,  $\eta$  is the quantum efficiency,  $h$  is Planck's constant ( $6.628 \times 10^{-38}$  J/s), and  $f$  is the optical frequency,  $q$  is the electron charge ( $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  C) [9]. After APD, receiver consists of an elementary signal estimator (ESE) and  $K$  a posteriori probability (APP) decoders (DECs) [2-4,14]. The outputs of the ESE and DECs are

extrinsic log-likelihood ratios (LLRs) about  $\{x_k(j)\}$  defined below

$$e_{ESE}(x_k(j)) \equiv \log\left(\frac{P_r(x_k(j) = +1)}{P_r(x_k(j) = -1)}\right) \quad (6)$$

$e_{ESE}(x_k(j))$  be the extrinsic *a posteriori* log-likelihood ratios (LLRs) generated by the DEC for user- $k$ . For each  $k$ , we rewrite (1) as [1]-[4]:

$$r(j) = h_k x_k(j) + \xi_k(j) \quad (7)$$

where

$$\xi_k(j) \equiv r(j) - h_k x_k(j) = \sum_{k' \neq k} h_{k'} x_{k'}(j) + n(j) \quad (8)$$

Denote by  $E(\cdot)$  and  $\text{Var}(\cdot)$  the mean and variance functions, respectively. We list the CBC detection algorithm as follows (with initialization  $e_{DEC}(x_k(j)) = 0, \forall k, j$ ) [2].

The CBC algorithm

$$E(x_k(j)) = \tanh(e_{DEC}(x_k(j))/2) \quad (9a)$$

$$\text{var}(x_k(j)) = 1 - (E(x_k(j)))^2 \quad (9b)$$

$$E(\xi_k(j)) = \sum_{k' \neq k} h_{k'} E(x_{k'}(j)) \quad (9c)$$

$$\text{var}(\xi_k(j)) = \sum_{k' \neq k} |h_{k'}|^2 \text{var}(x_{k'}(j)) + \sigma^2 \quad (9d)$$

$$e_{ESE}(x_k(j)) = \frac{2hk}{\text{var}(\xi_k(j))} (r(j) - E(\xi_k(j))) \quad (9e)$$

After the APP decoding in the DECs is performed to generate the LLRs  $\{e_{DEC}(x_k(j)), \forall k, j\}$ . Then go back to (9a) for the next iteration [2][14].

### III. SOLITONS IN OPTICAL FIBER CHANNEL

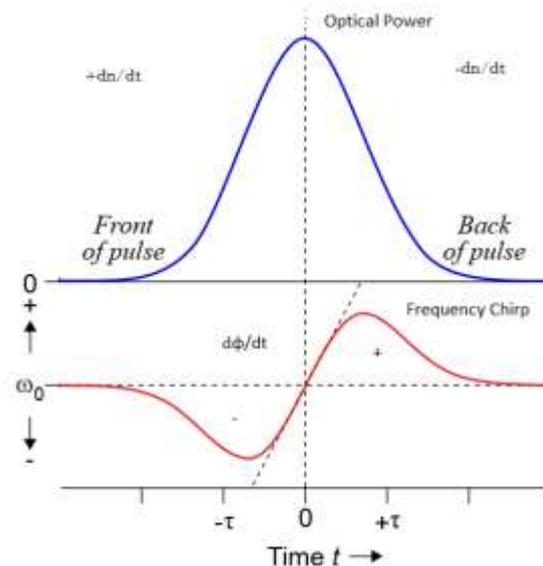
For long transmission of signal in an optical fiber, the distortion is an important parameter. The dispersion mechanism in a fiber causes optical signal pulse to broaden as they travel along a fiber. If this pulse travels sufficiently far, they will eventually overlap with the neighboring pulses, thereby creating errors in the receiver output. Therefore the signal distortion mechanisms limit the information carrying capacity of a fiber.

All optical pulse is monochromatic since it excites a spectrum of frequencies. The spectral spread of an optical source  $\Delta\nu$ , which emits power in a wavelength band  $\Delta\lambda$ , is given by the relation

$$|\Delta\nu| = \left(\frac{c}{\lambda^2}\right) |\Delta\lambda| \quad (10)$$

This is important, because in an actual fiber a pulse is affected by both the Group Velocity Dispersion (GVD) and the Kerr nonlinearity. This is particularly significant for high intensity optical excitations. In addition, when a high intensity optical pulse is coupled to a fiber, the optical power modulates the refractive index seen by optical

excitation. This induces phase fluctuations in the propagating wave, thereby producing a chirping effect in the pulse as shown in figure 2. The consequences are that the instantaneous optical frequency differs from its initial value  $\omega_0$  across the pulse. This is because phase fluctuations are intensity dependent, different parts of pulse undergo different phase shifts. This effect is known as frequency chirping, in this the rising edge of pulse experiences a red shift in frequency (towards higher frequencies), whereas the trailing edge of pulse experiences a blue shift in frequency (towards lower frequencies). Since the degree of chirping depends on the transmitted power, SPM effects more pronounced for higher-intensity pulses.



**Figure:2 Spectral Broadening of Pulse Due to Self Phase Modulation**

When high intensity pulse transverses a medium with a positive GVD parameter  $\beta_2(\equiv d^2\beta/d\omega^2)$  determines how much a light pulse broadens as it travel along the optical fiber) for the constituent frequencies, leading the part of pulse is shifted towards a longer wavelength (lower frequencies), so that speed in that portion increases. Conversely, in the trailing half, the frequency raises so the speed decreases. this causes the trailing edge to be further delayed. Consequently, in addition to a spectral change with distance, the energy in the centre of the pulse is dispersed to either side, and the pulse eventually takes on a rectangular wave shape. These effects will severely limit high-speed long distance transmission if the system is operated in this condition.

For Solitons transmission, it is necessary to consider the Nonlinear Schrodinger(NLS) equation

$$-j \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} + N^2 |u|^2 u - j(\alpha/2)u \quad (11)$$

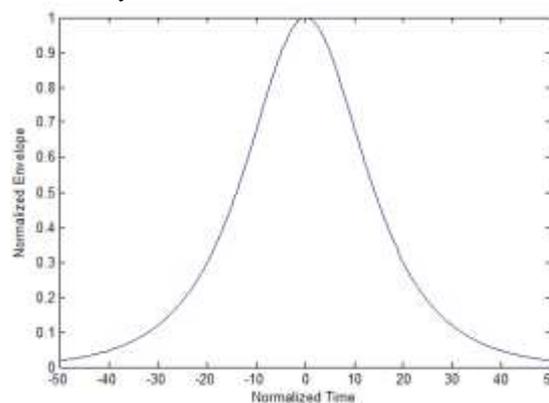
Here,  $u(z,t)$  is the pulse envelope function,  $z$  is the propagation distance along the fiber,  $N$  is an integer designating the order of the solution, and  $\alpha$  representing energy loss.

The solution to equation 10 for fundamental Soliton is

$$u(z, t) = \text{sech}(t) \exp\left(\frac{jz}{2}\right) \quad (12)$$

where  $\text{sech}(t)$  is hyperbolic secant function.

this is bell shaped pulse as shown in figure 3 which is drawn by Matlab.



**Figure:3 Hyperbolic secant Function**

On the other hand, when a narrow high intensity pulse transverse a medium with a negative GVD parameter for the constituent frequencies, GVD counteracts with the chirp produced by SPM. now GVD retards the low frequencies in the front end of the pulse and advances the high frequencies at the back. the result is that the high intensity sharply peaked Soliton pulse changes neither its shape nor its spectrum as it travels along the fiber. Soliton pulse energy is sufficient strong and maintained its shape as it travels along the fiber. In a standard optical fiber, there is a zero dispersion point around 1310 nm. For wavelength shorter than 1310 nm  $\beta_2$  is positive, and for longer wavelengths it is negative. Therefore, Soliton operation is limited to the region greater than 1310nm.

A Soliton pulse has the phase shifts for nonlinear process are

$$d\phi_{nonlin} = |u(t)|^2 dz = \text{sech}^2(t) dz \quad (13)$$

and phase shifts for dispersion effect are

$$d\phi_{disp} = \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} \right) dz = \left[ \frac{1}{2} - \text{sech}^2(t) \right] dz \quad (14)$$

The sum of these two terms is a constant. Upon integration, the sum simply yields a phase shift of  $z/2$ , which is common to the entire pulse. Since such a phase shift changes neither the temporal nor spectral shape of a pulse, the Solitons remains completely non dispersive in both the temporal and frequency domains.

#### IV.SIMULATION RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

As in the optical networks distances are large ~100 km to 5000 km, hence for better performance of OIDMA system it is necessary that optical channel does not introduce significant degradation in the signal. However as the signal propagates through the fiber pulse broadens and its peak power gets reduced therefore to compensate such loss in power generally optical amplifiers (EDFA) are placed in the line. These amplifiers amplify the loss of the signal power of the propagating signals but unfortunately add amplified spontaneous noise (ASN) to the signal, hence overall SNR reduces and BER increases.

To enhance the OIDMA system performance Solitons can play an important role because Solitons do not disperse due to nonlinear effects. The simulation of optical IDMA presented in this section, has been performed using MATLAB software.

The transmission of Gaussian Pulse in the Optical Fiber is shown in Figure 4. Here we have observed that the Gaussian pulse is dispersed due to nonlinear effects, as the distance ( $z$  in km) increases and the power of the Gaussian pulse decreases significantly. After the distance  $z = 200$  km the power level of Gaussian pulse is not sufficient to transmit in the fiber and the information of the pulse may be lost. At  $z = 500$  km the minimum power of the Gaussian pulse is not sufficient to travel in the fiber. Therefore we conclude that the Gaussian Pulse dispersed due to nonlinear effects which are not suitable for optical fiber communication.

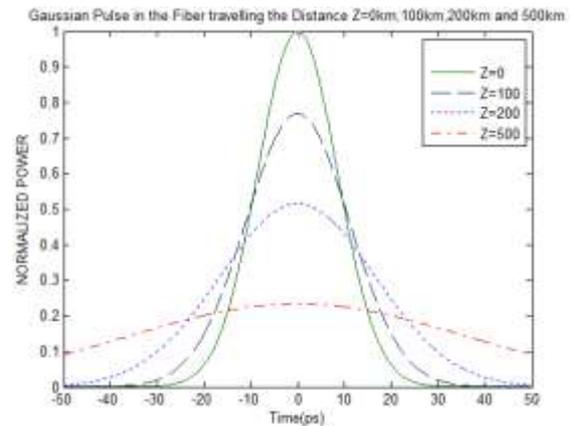


Figure:4 Nonlinear Effects on Gaussian Pulse in the Optical Fiber with different Distances

The Solitons pulse is compared with a Gaussian pulse of the same parameters in Figure 5. It is observed from the figure that they are very much similar in nature. However, it is found in the study that if a Gaussian pulse with properly selected parameters is launched into the fiber, it can be converted into Solitons Pulse easily.

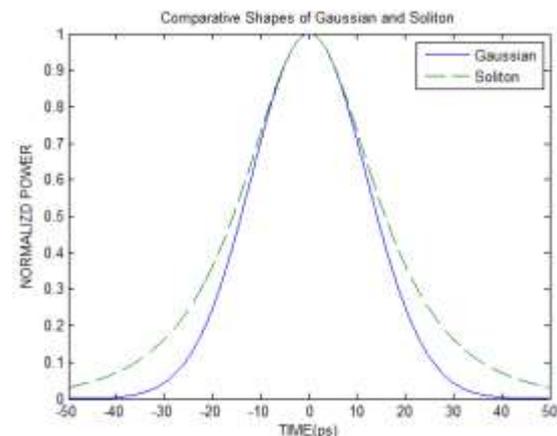
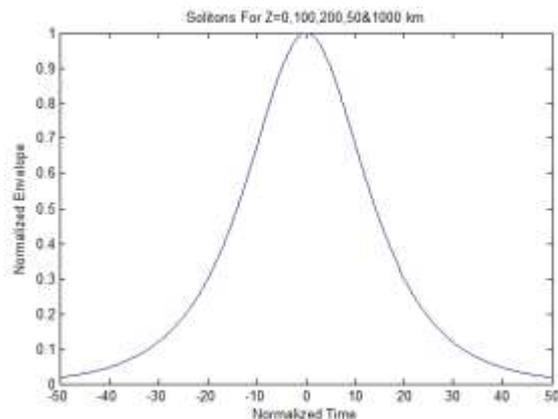


Figure:5 Comparative Shapes of Gaussian Vs Solitons Pulse

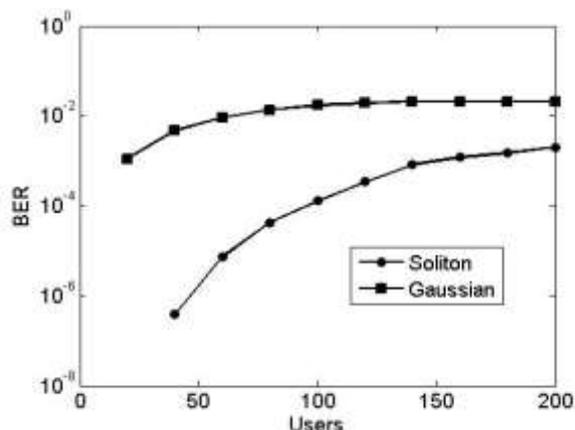
The transmission of Solitons Pulse in Optical Fiber with different distances ( $z$ ) are shown in figure 6. Here we observe that the shape of Solitons pulse does not vary with distances due to GVD and it contains almost the same shape. Therefore the transmission through Solitons pulse may give better performance in the OIDMA system.



**Figure:6 Solitons for Different Distances (Z=0,100,200,50&1000 km) in the Optical Fiber**

The Figure 7 shows BER performance of optical IDMA in optical channel with different numbers of simultaneous users. During the simulation, the spreading length is chosen as 16, and the iterative number is set to be 10. The variation in user count has been opted as parameter of performance has been displayed in the figure during performance comparison to OIDMA system. For simulation purpose, the input data for each user is assumed to be same i.e. 2048 bits. Optical fiber has been operated with 155nm wavelength with maximum bit rate of 1Gbps capability. The transmitted power is chosen to be 1mW, while intensity dependent refractive index parameter is  $2.35 \times 10^{-20}$ . The responsivity and efficiency is 0.65, 0.80 has been taken respectively. The input to optical fiber is a Gaussian pulse and ON-OFF keying (OOK) is used for pulse transmission. The simulations have been performed using random interleavers [20].

The Performance of OIDMA system using Solitons pulse and Gaussian pulse is shown in figure 7. here we easily observe that the BER of Solitons pulse is far better than Gaussian pulse.



**Figure:7 BER of OIDMA System of Soliton and Gaussian Pulse with varying number of users**

## V. CONCLUSION

In this Paper First we have shown the OIDMA System model and explain the importance of IDMA compare over CDMA system. next we have explained the reason to introduce the Solitons pulse in place of Gaussian pulse. further we have shown that the Gaussian pulse is highly dispersed due to GVD and nonlinear effects up to 200 km and it is not suitable for higher distance therefore the introduction of Solitons pulse is required. the transmission of the Solitons pulse is Compatible in the optical IDMA System because it is almost same as Gaussian pulse. finally we have transmitted the Solitons pulse in OIDMA system and observed that the Solitons pulse is better for long transmission. the BER for Gaussian Pulse and Solitons Pulse are listed here.

No of Users	BER For Solitons Pulse	BER For Gaussian pulse
20	0	0.0011
40	3.8147e-7	0.0047
80	4.1962e-5	0.0135
120	3.4186e-4	0.019
200	0.0020	0.021

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