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# OMA and Extinction Ratio for Serial PMDs 

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## Lower Extinction Ration/OMA

## Motivations:

- Lower extinction ratio improves Direct Modulated Laser performance
- Extinction ratio not critical if link not attenuation limited
- OMA simpler concept, provides simpler control loops


## DFB, 1.3um: Eye Diagrams vs. Extinction

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\mathrm{T}=50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}, \quad \mathrm{D}=10 \mathrm{~km}, \quad \mathrm{R}=-20 \mathrm{~dB}
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Irf $=40 \mathrm{~mA}$
$\mathrm{Idc}=39 \mathrm{~mA}$
$\mathrm{Er}>8.2 \mathrm{~dB}$

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Iff $=40 \mathrm{~mA}$
$\mathrm{ldc}=41 \mathrm{~mA}$
$\mathrm{Er}>6 \mathrm{~dB}$



Irf $=40 \mathrm{~mA}$
$\mathrm{ldc}=54 \mathrm{~mA}$
Er $>4 \mathrm{~dB}$

## BER vs Received Power for Three Extinction <br> Ratios

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## Received Power Correction for OMA

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## BER vs OMA for Three Extinction Ratios

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## Conclusion

Flexibility in ER might be advantageous

- Lowering Extinction ratio to 6 dB slightly improved absolute sensitivity
- Lowering extinction ratio to 4 dB slightly decreased absolute sensitivity
For long distance:
- Unspecified or too low an ER might cause problems in amplified links
OMA is OK as long as we don't overload receiver

