

# Experimental Investigation on Dispersion Tolerance of 8x53.2Gbps NRZ for 400GbE 2km and 10km PMD

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# Introduction

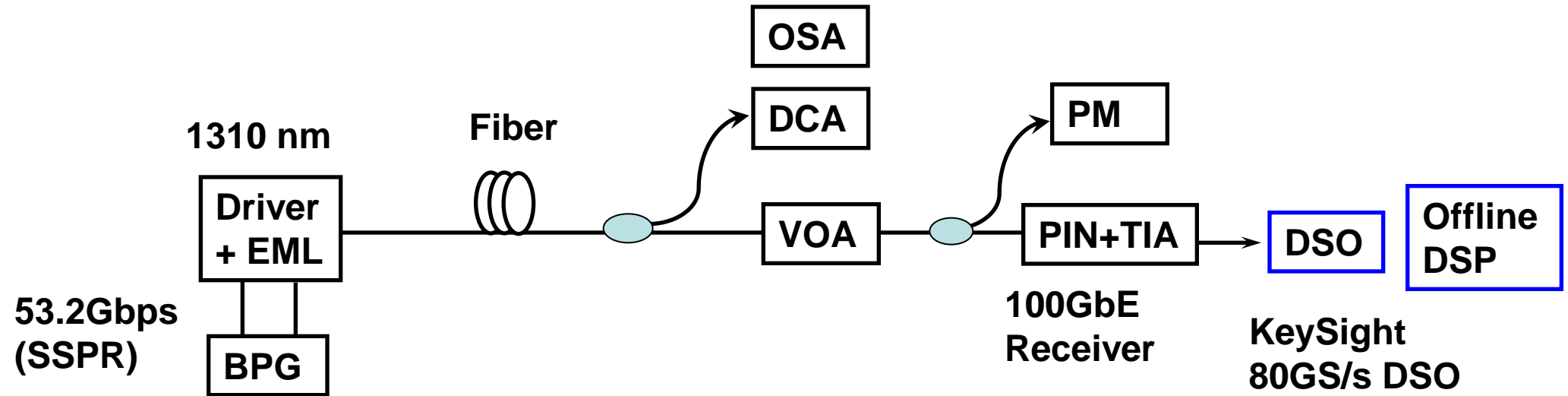
- 50Gb/s NRZ considered a promising candidate for 400GbE PMD due to its simplicity, high sensitivity, and high tolerance to MPI:

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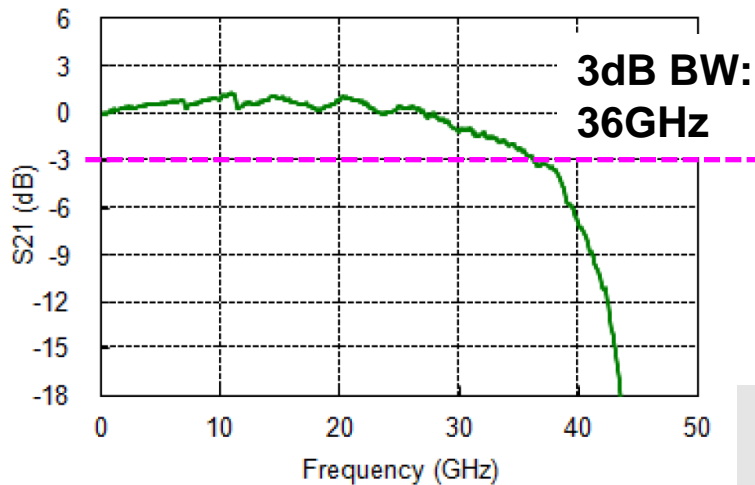
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- Chromatic dispersion has been a concern and listed as the big ticket item at January Interim Meeting for 8x50Gbps NRZ PMD.
- Stassar addressed the dispersion requirement for various PMDs at the Feb Ad Hoc Meeting (*[stassar\\_01\\_0215\\_smf.pdf](#)*).
- Shirao presented the worst dispersion penalty for 50Gbps NRZ (*[kojima\\_01\\_0215\\_smf.pdf](#)*).
- In this contribution, we evaluate dispersion tolerance for 50Gbps NRZ to cover worst dispersion scenarios and address the sensitivity and link budget issue.

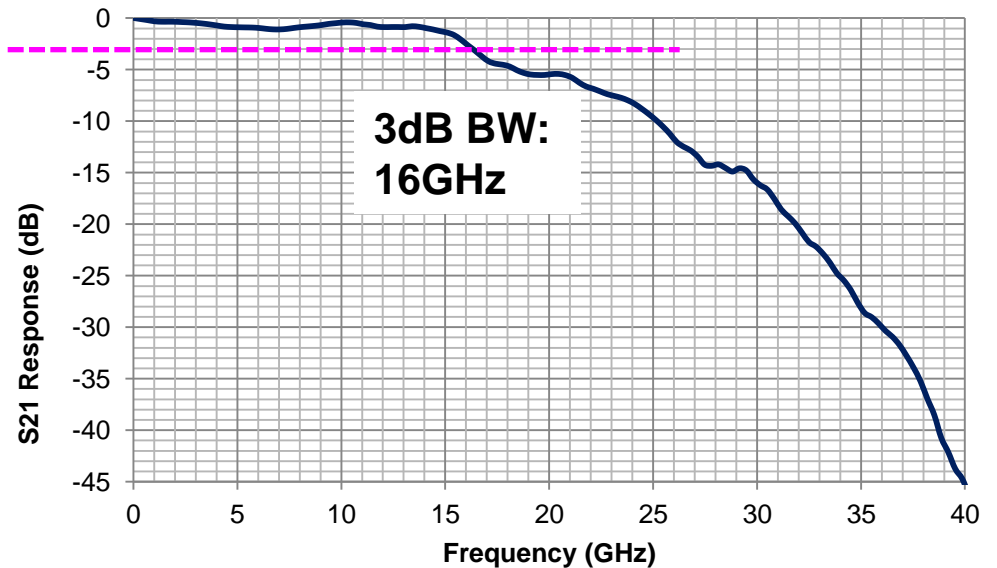
# Experimental Setup



**S21 of Driver + EML**  
(Mitsubishi FU-697SEA-T3M2)

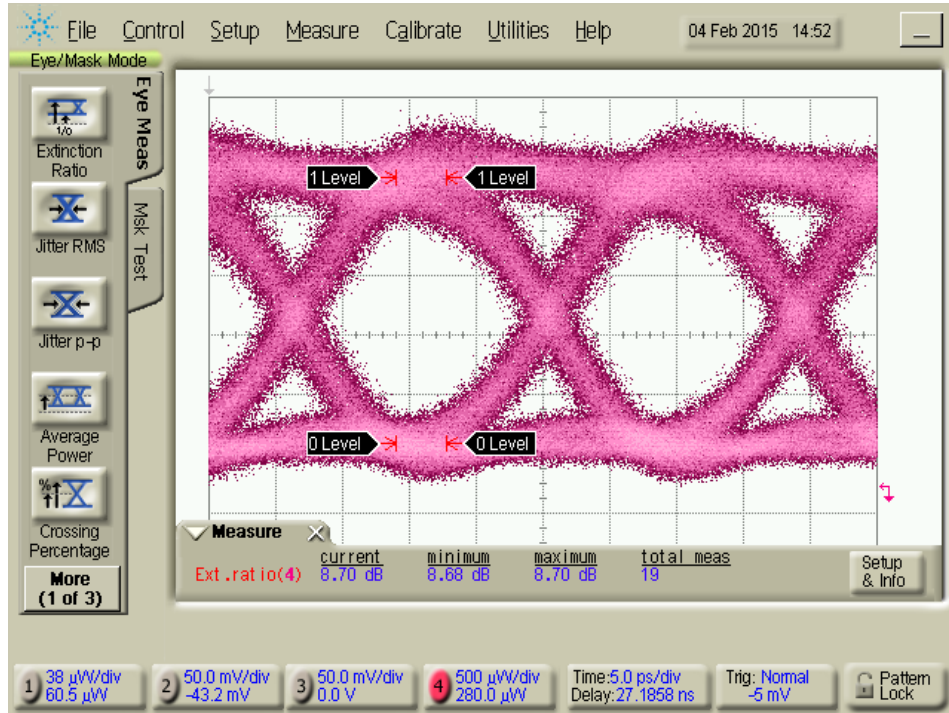


**Receiver S21 Response**

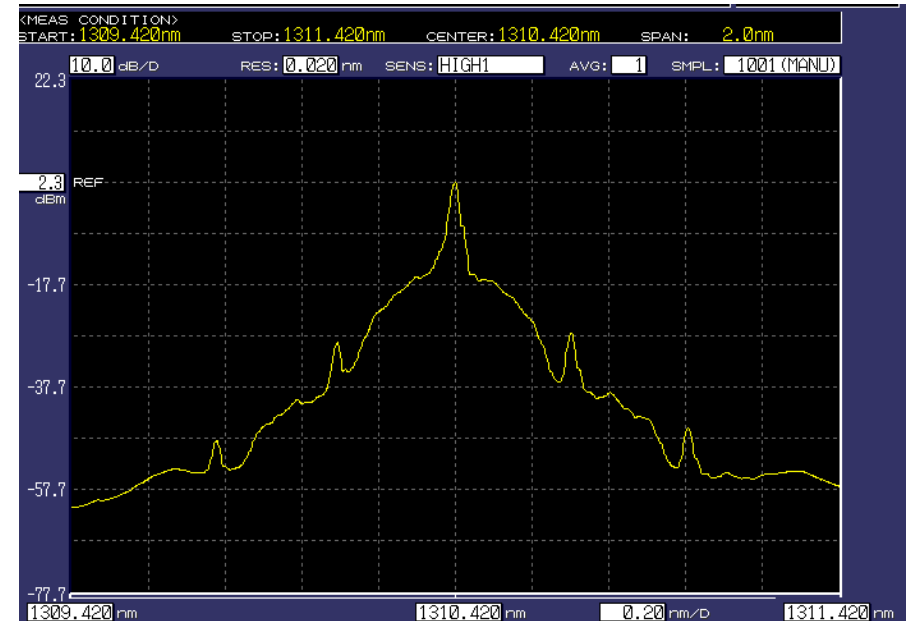


# Eye Diagram & Optical Spectrum

## 53.2Gbps Eye Diagram



## Optical Spectrum



Measured with an Agilent 40G optical module (86116C Opt. 025)

- ER = 8.7dB

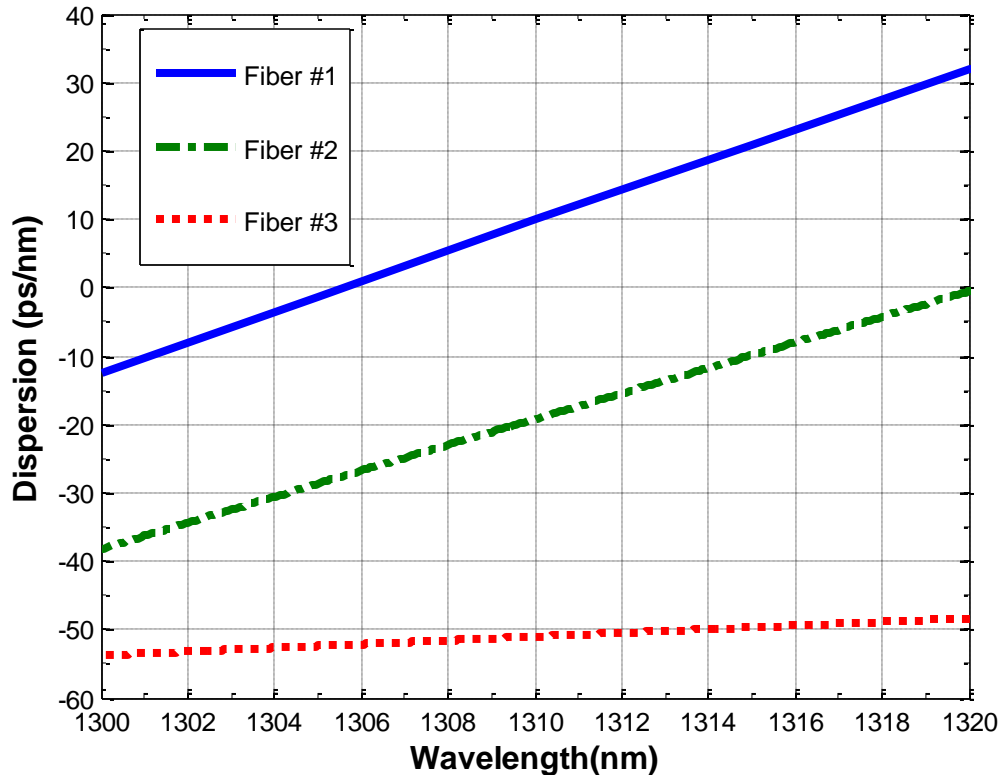
- Laser wavelength: 1310.4nm

- Operation conditions of EML:

  - Laser bias current = 80mA

  - Operating temperature: 40 deg C

# Dispersion vs Wavelength of Used Fibers

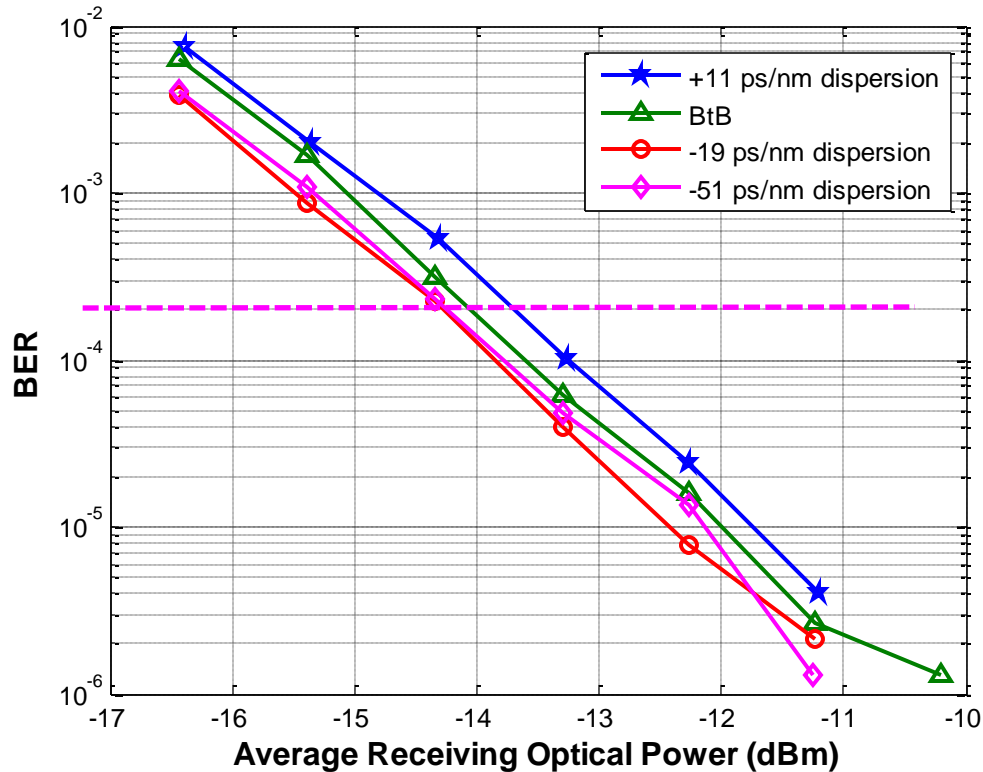


Three spools of fiber used for evaluating dispersion tolerance

- **Fiber #1:**  
25.3km SMF,  $\lambda_0 = 1305.4\text{nm}$   
+11ps/nm dispersion at 1310.4nm
- **Fiber #2:**  
22.2km SMF,  $\lambda_0 = 1320\text{nm}$   
-19ps/nm dispersion at 1310.4nm
- **Fiber #3:**  
20km-LEAF DCM  
- 51ps/nm dispersion at 1310.4nm

Choosing these fibers with various dispersion with respect to 1310.4nm is to cover the worst cases of CD for the entire 8 wavelengths of 8x53.2Gbps

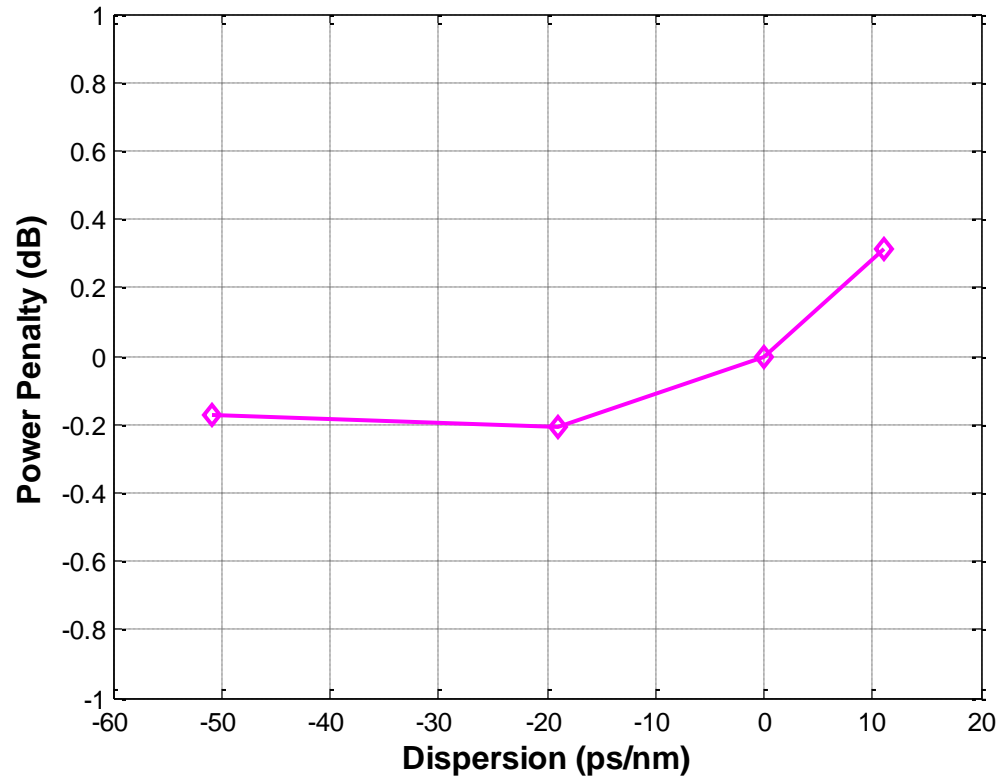
# BER vs Average Receiving Optical Power



- EML Sample #1 used
- ER ~ 9.1dB
- 5 tap FFE in Rx

- Negative penalty observed for negative dispersion, positive penalty observed for positive dispersion
- BtB receiver sensitivity is around -14.1dBm at BER@2e-4

# Power Penalty vs Dispersion



**Dispersion range**

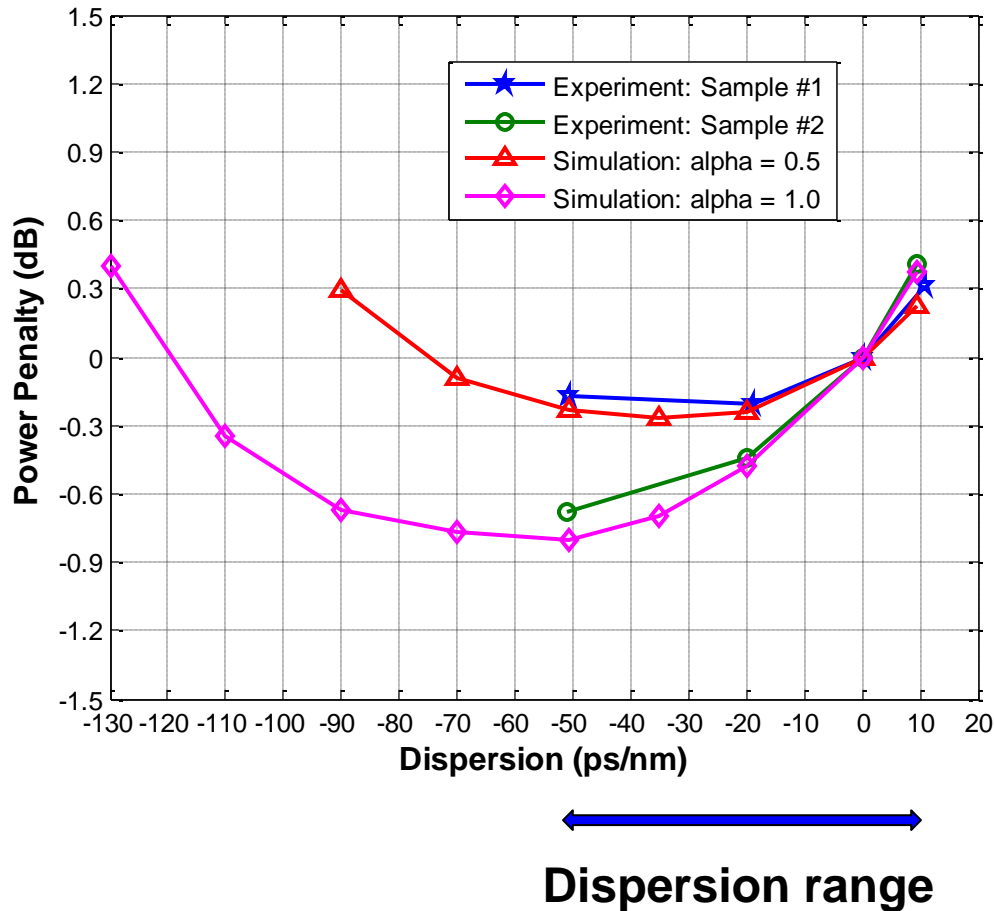
- EML Sample #1 used
- Power penalty defined at BER @2e-4
- The measured power penalty induced by chromatic dispersion is well below 1dB



# Comparison with Experiment – Simulation Conditions

Parameters	Values
Format	NRZ
Baud Rate	53.2 Gbaud/s
Pattern	SSPR
Modulator	intensity modulation with chirp
Tx BW	35GHz with
Tx S21 shape	4 <sup>th</sup> order Bessel filter
Extinction ratio	6 dB
RIN	-140 dB/Hz
Rx BW	16GHz
Rx S21 shape	4 <sup>th</sup> order Bessel filter
Rx Responsivity	0.6 A/W
Rx input noise density	15 pA/sqrt(Hz)
Equalizer in Rx	5 tap FFE

# Comparison with Simulation - Results



- **Sample #2** has a laser wavelength of 1309.7nm
- **Sample #2** close to simulation of  $\alpha = +1.0$
- **Sample #1** close to simulation of  $\alpha = +0.5$
- For both evaluated EML samples, dispersion penalty at maximum positive dispersion is well below 1 dB

# Link Budget in OMA

Applications	Duplex 2km	Duplex 10km
Number of wavelength	8	
Baud rate	53.2 GBaud/s	53.2 GBaud/s
Operating BER	2e-4	2e-4
ER	≥6dB	
Transmitter output OMA	1.0dBm	3.0dBm
Mux IL	3dB	3dB
Fiber/connector loss <sup>(1)</sup>	5dB	6.4dB
MPI penalty <sup>(2)</sup>	0.2dB	0.2dB
Dispersion penalty	0.5dB	1.5dB
DeMux IL	3dB	3dB
Post-DeMux Rx input OMA	-10.7dBm	-11.1dBm
Rx sensitivity (OMA) <sup>(3)</sup>	-12.3dBm	-12.3dBm
Margin	1.6 dB	1.2dB

Any Tx and Rx induced penalty has already been included in the BtB receiver sensitivity test

(1) [kolesar\\_3bs\\_01\\_0514.pdf](#);

(2) [wen\\_3bs\\_01\\_0914.pdf](#), at 30dB MPI

(3) The receiver sensitivity was measured in average power and has been converted to OMA

# Summary

- Experimentally investigated chromatic dispersion tolerance of 8x53.2G NRZ for 400GbE 2km and 10km PMD.
- The observed power penalty induced by chromatic dispersion is well below 1dB, which is consistent with that in ([kojima\\_01\\_0215\\_smf.pdf](#)).
- Demonstrated sufficient link budget for both 2km and 10km (with 1.2dB extra margin) 400GbE applications.