



Impact of longer wavelengths fiber response in the 25 Gb/s link budget

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Introduction and objectives



- Use of longer wavelengths VCSELs might be beneficial to improve the wear-out reliability
- In this contribution it is analyzed how the reduced EMB (Effective Modal Bandwidth) of the fiber caused by the operation in longer wavelength affects the receiver sensitivity
- In the analysis, the only one parameter that is changed is the fiber BW_{eff} (effective bandwidth length product) based on the EMB and the BW_{CD} (Bandwidth due to Chromatic Dispersion)
- VCSEL devices, photodiodes and TIA are the same, making possible to examine the single effect of BW_{eff}
- The link budget analysis is based on the link model presented in [perezaranda_OMEGA_01_131020_link_model.pdf](#) and the assumptions of [perezaranda_OMEGA_02_131020_25G_link_budget.pdf](#)

Effective fiber bandwidth length product



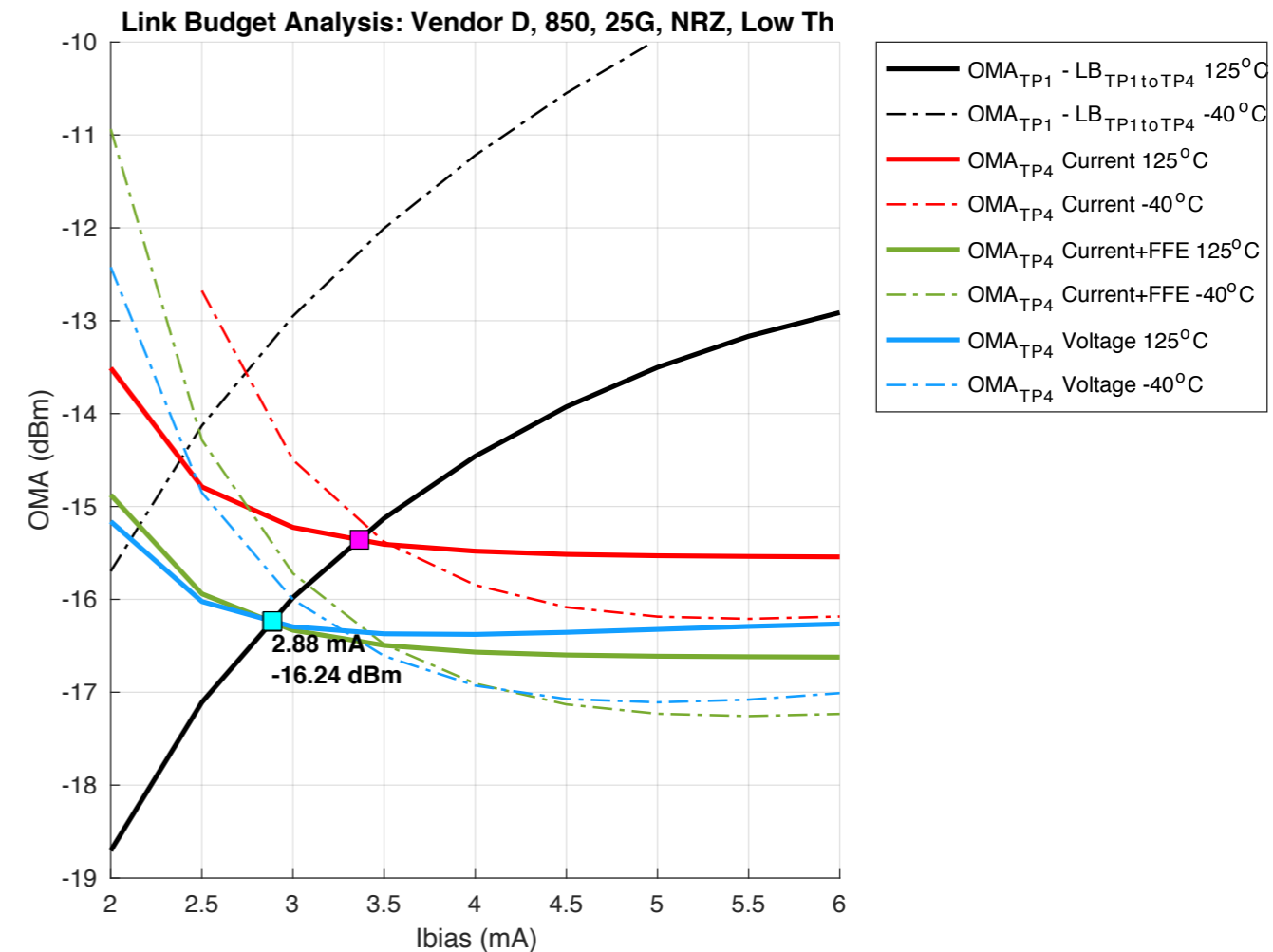
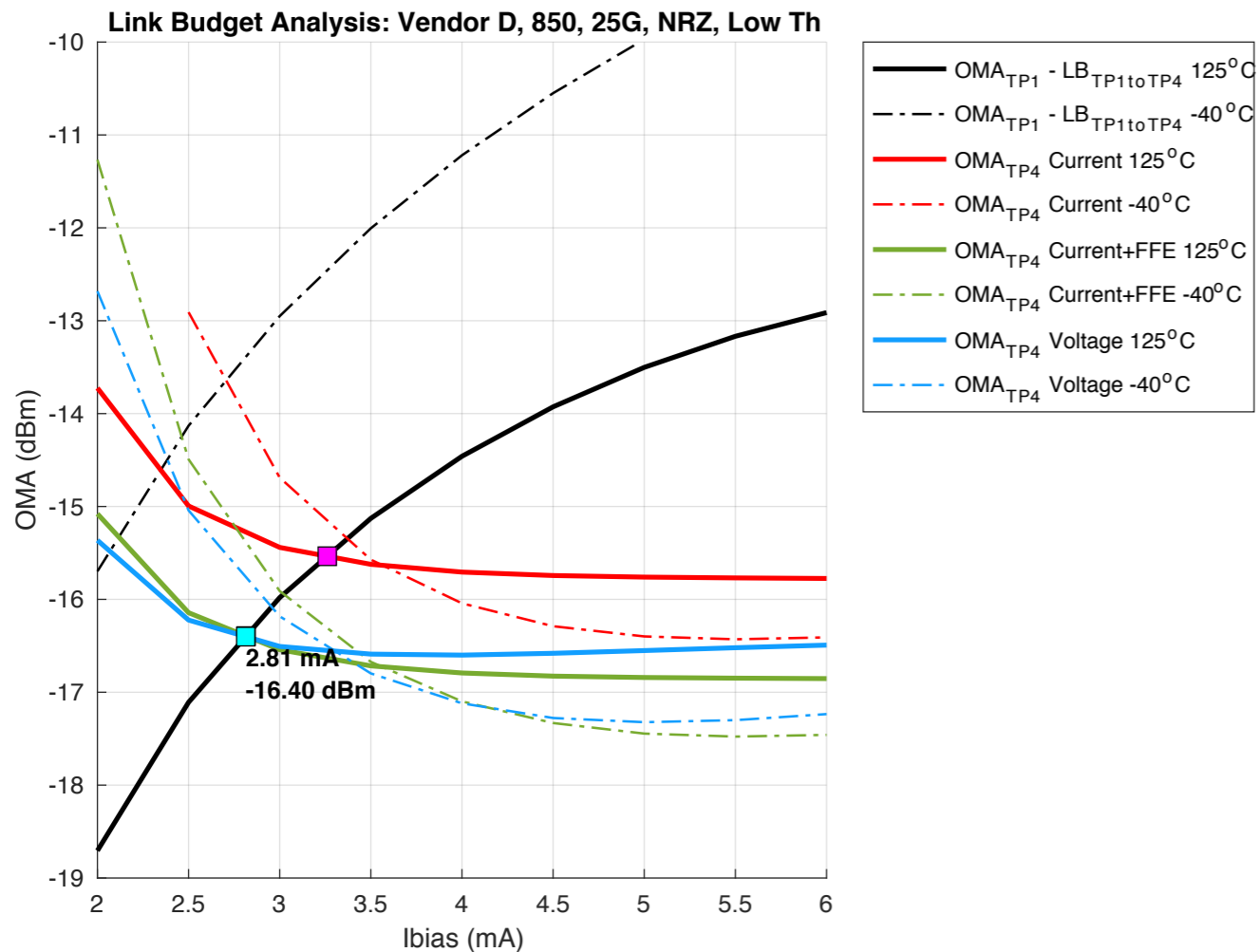
- Center wavelength of 980nm is considered
- From IEC 60793-2-10:2019, annex E.2, it can be extrapolated the EMB
 - We used equation (E4) defined for center lambdas between 850nm and 953nm
 - Using 3rd order polynomial MSE fitting of 1/EMB vs. center lambda we got extrapolation of EMB = 950 MHz·km at 980nm
- Chromatic dispersion bandwidth is calculated as $BW_{CD} = 5498 \text{ MHz}\cdot\text{km}$
- Therefore, $BW_{\text{eff}} = 936 \text{ MHz}\cdot\text{km}$ at 980 nm
- For comparison, $BW_{\text{eff}} = 1665 \text{ MHz}\cdot\text{km}$ at 850 nm (+78%)

Vendor D, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ, low th – min OMA_{TP4}



BW_{eff} = 1665 MHz·km

BW_{eff} = 936 MHz·km



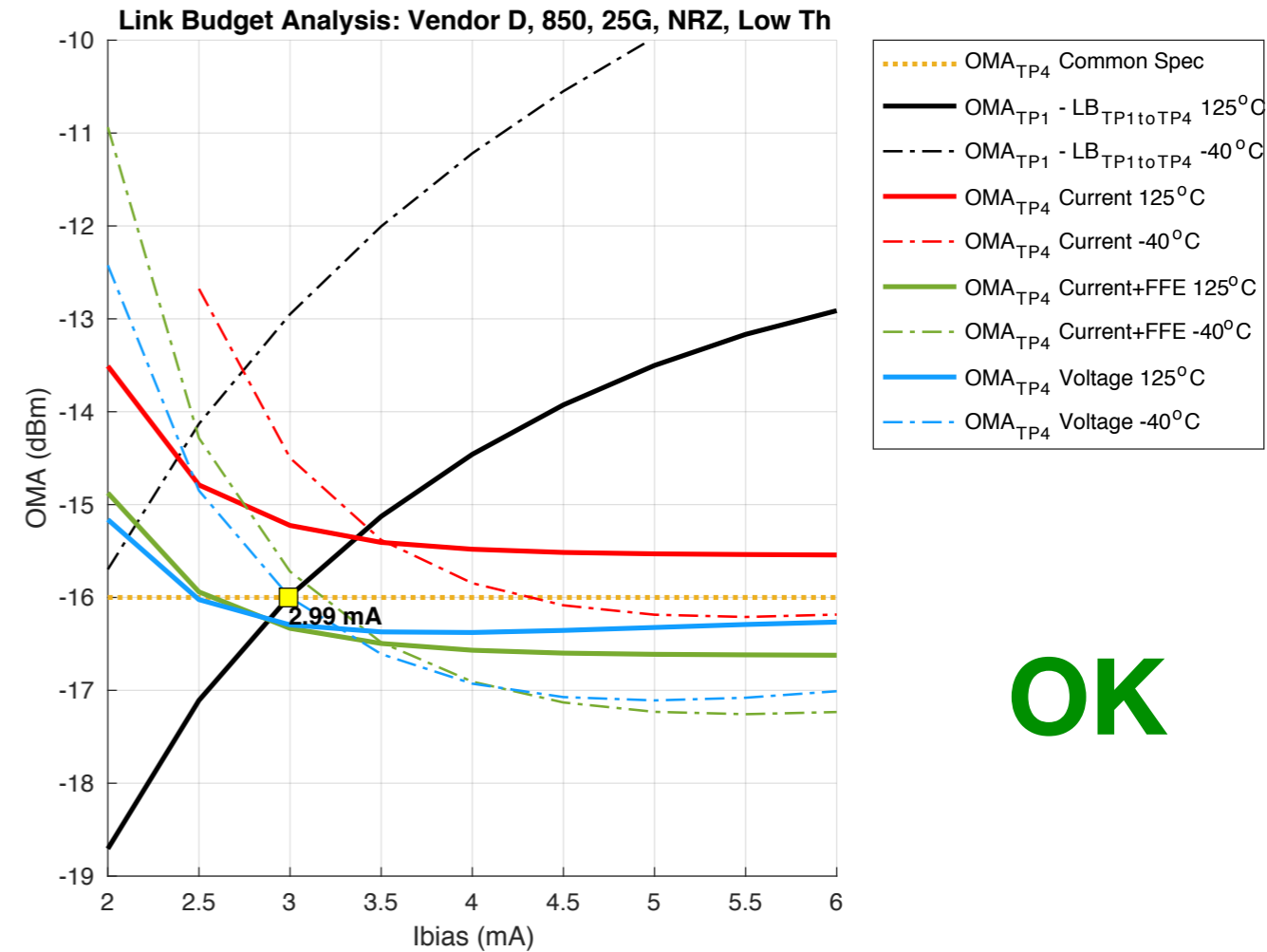
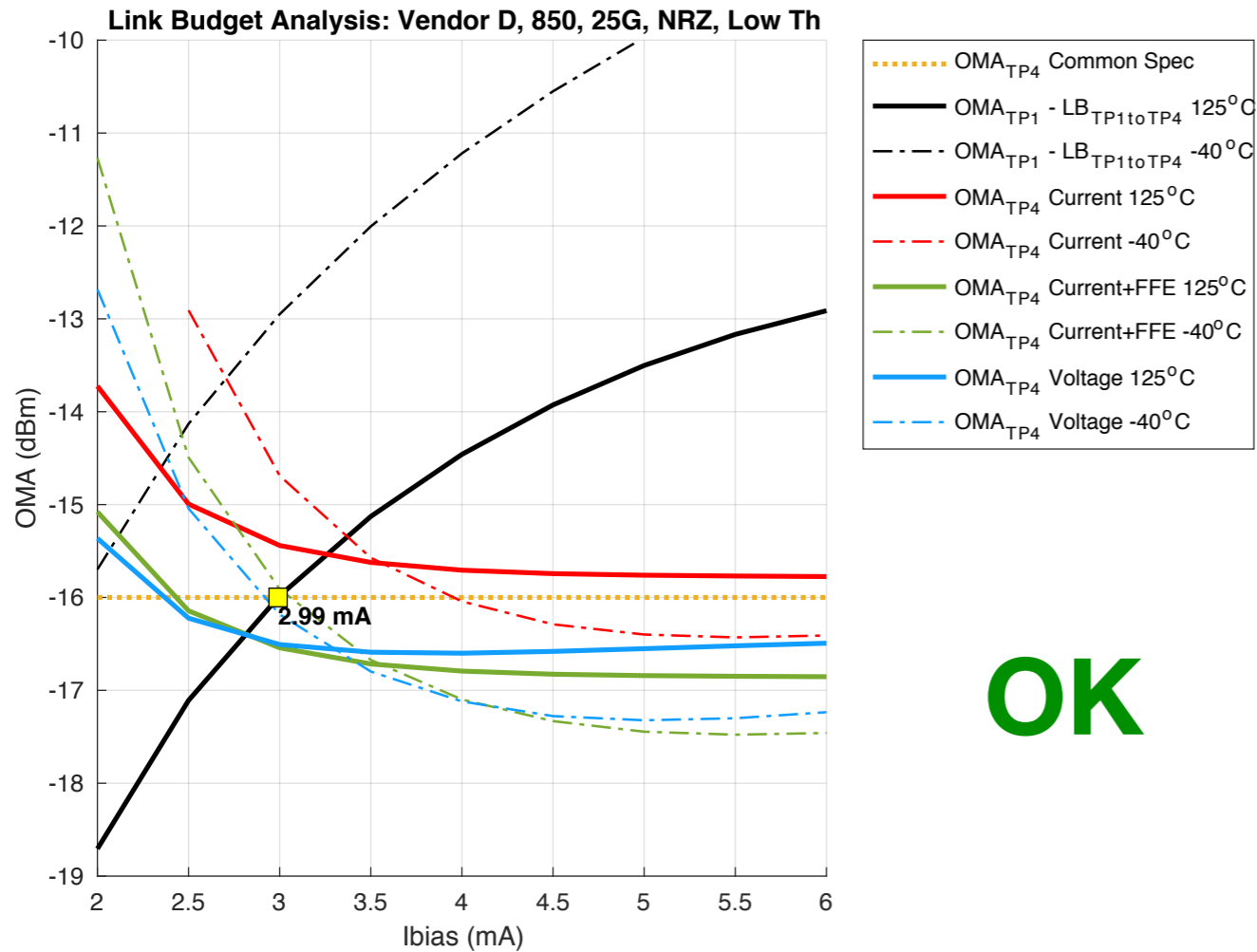
$\Delta\text{OMA}_{\text{TP4}} = 0.16 \text{ dB}$
 $\Delta I_{\text{BIAS, min}} = 0.07 \text{ mA}$
@ 125°C

Vendor D, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ, low th — $OMA_{TP4} = -16$ dBm



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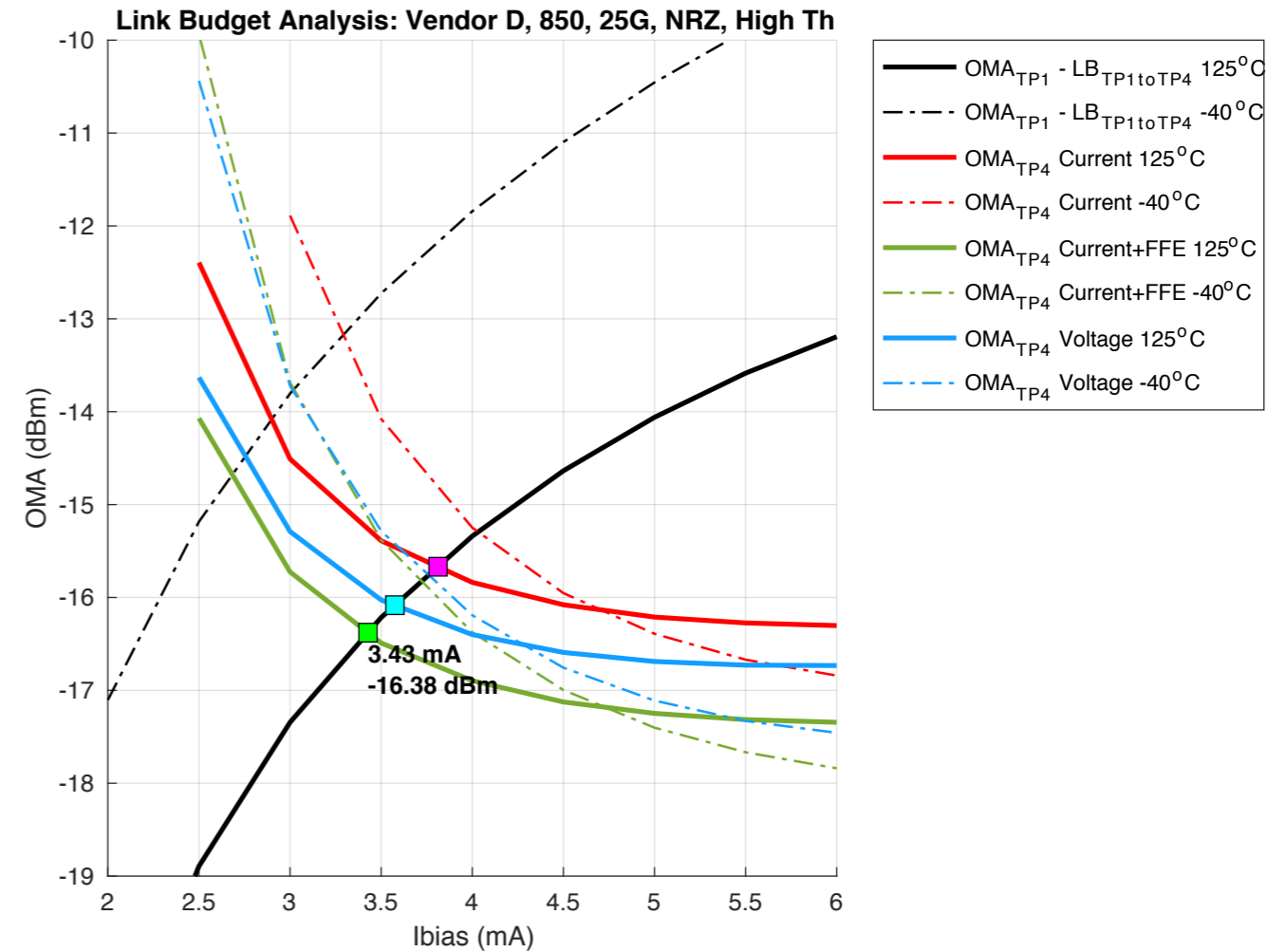
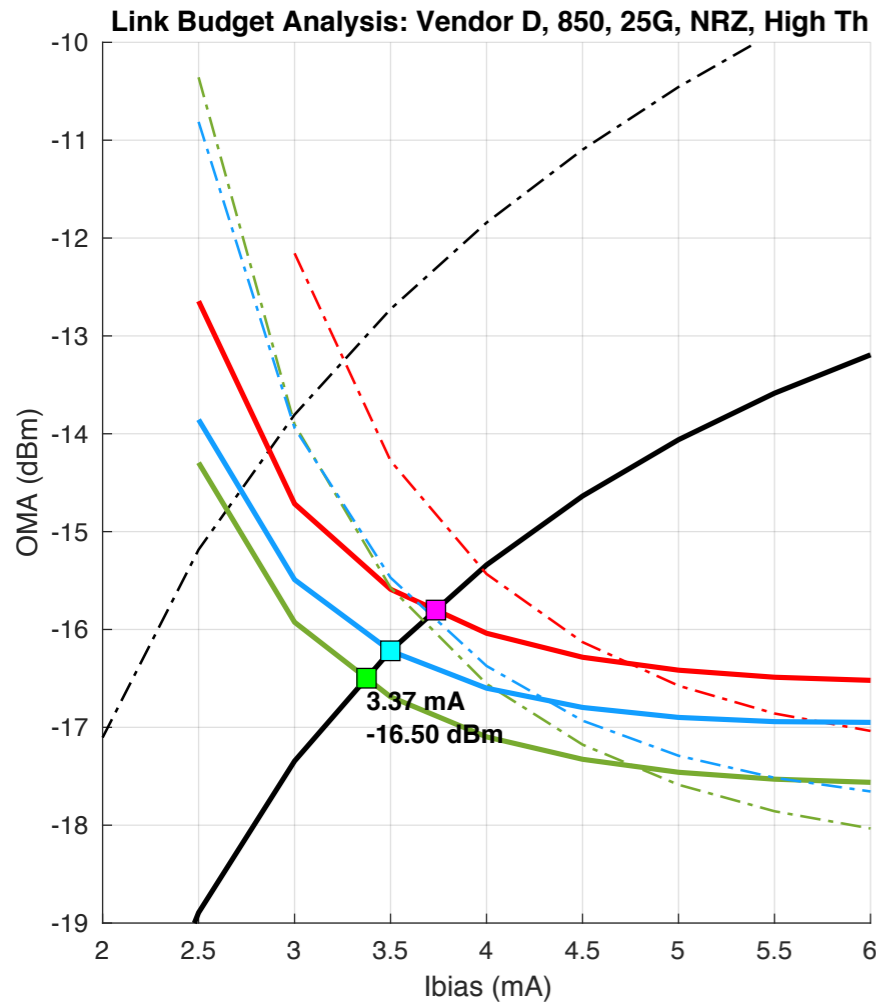
**$\Delta I_{BIAS,min} = 0.00$ mA
@ 125°C**

Vendor D, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ, high th — min OMA_{TP4}



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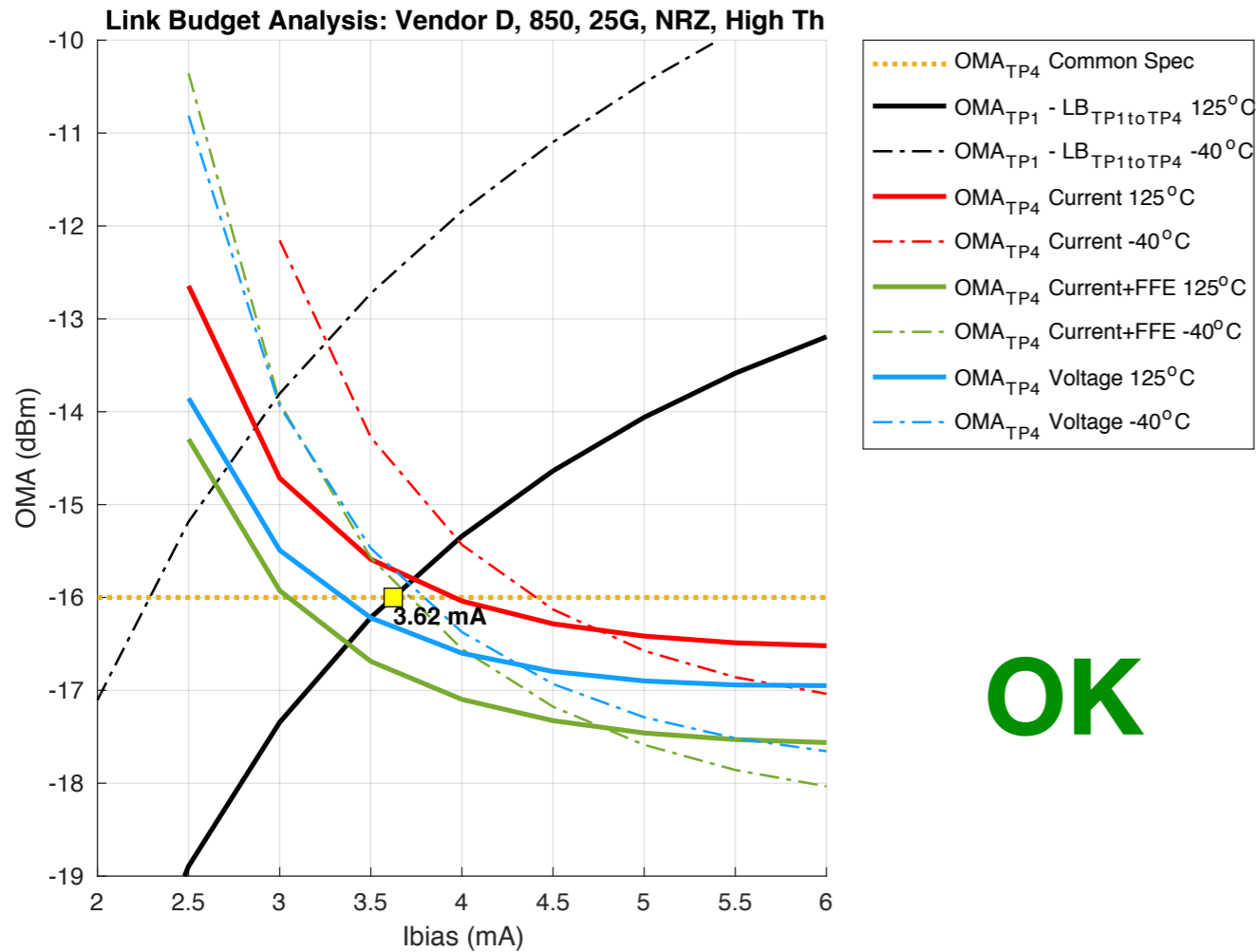
$\Delta OMA_{TP4} = 0.12 \text{ dB}$
 $\Delta I_{BIAS,min} = 0.05 \text{ mA}$
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Vendor D, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ, high th — $OMA_{TP4} = -16$ dBm

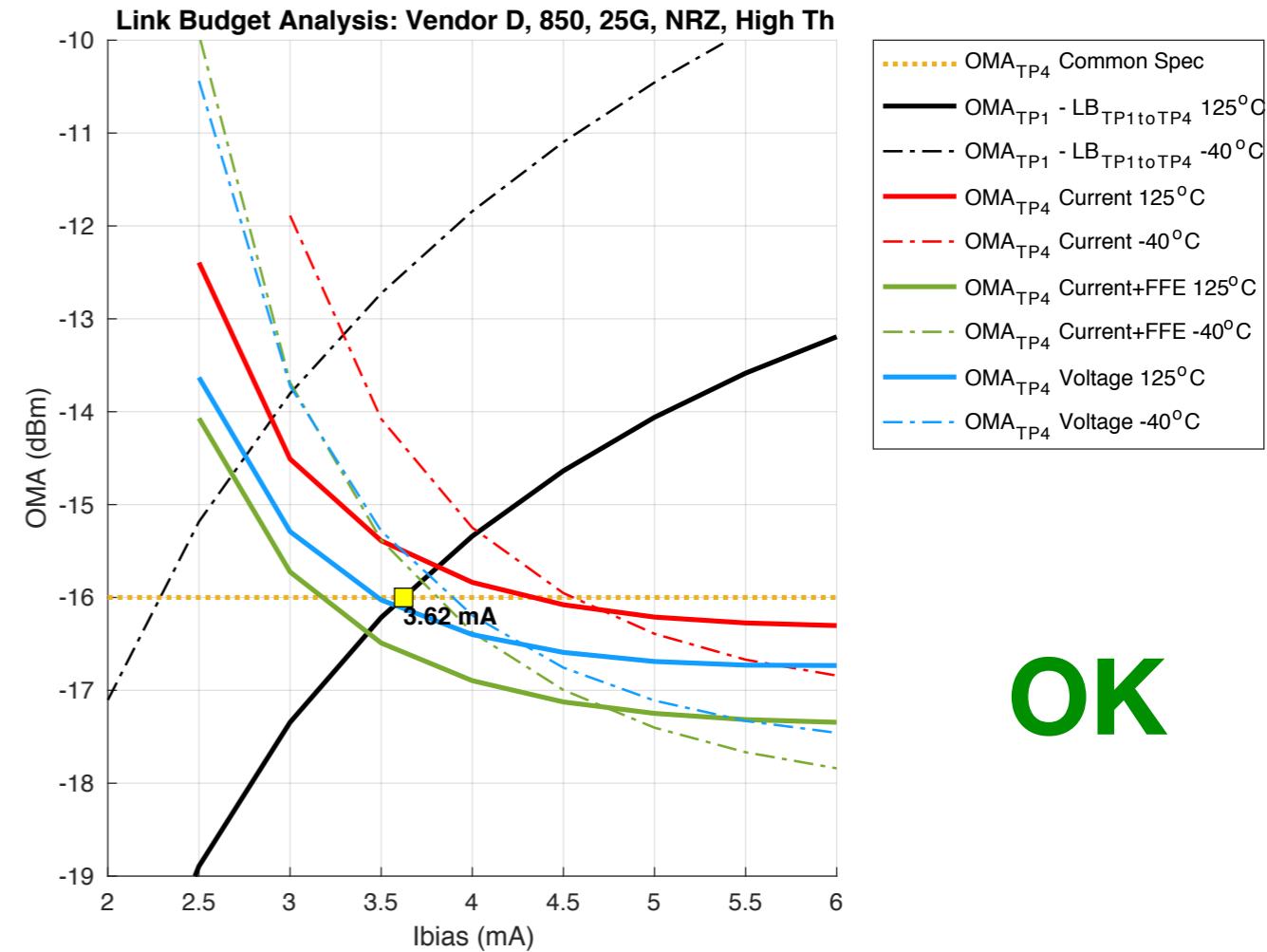


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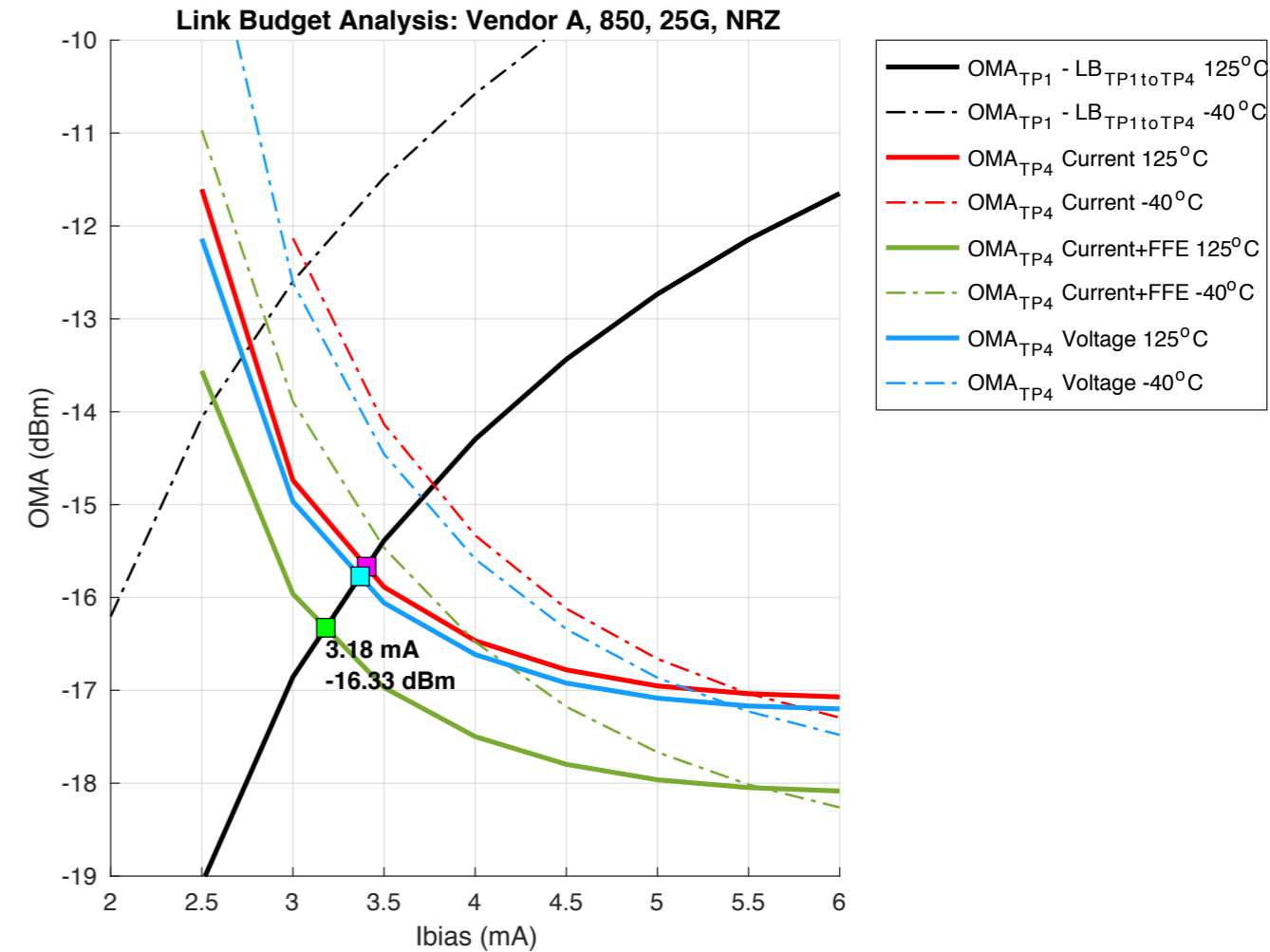
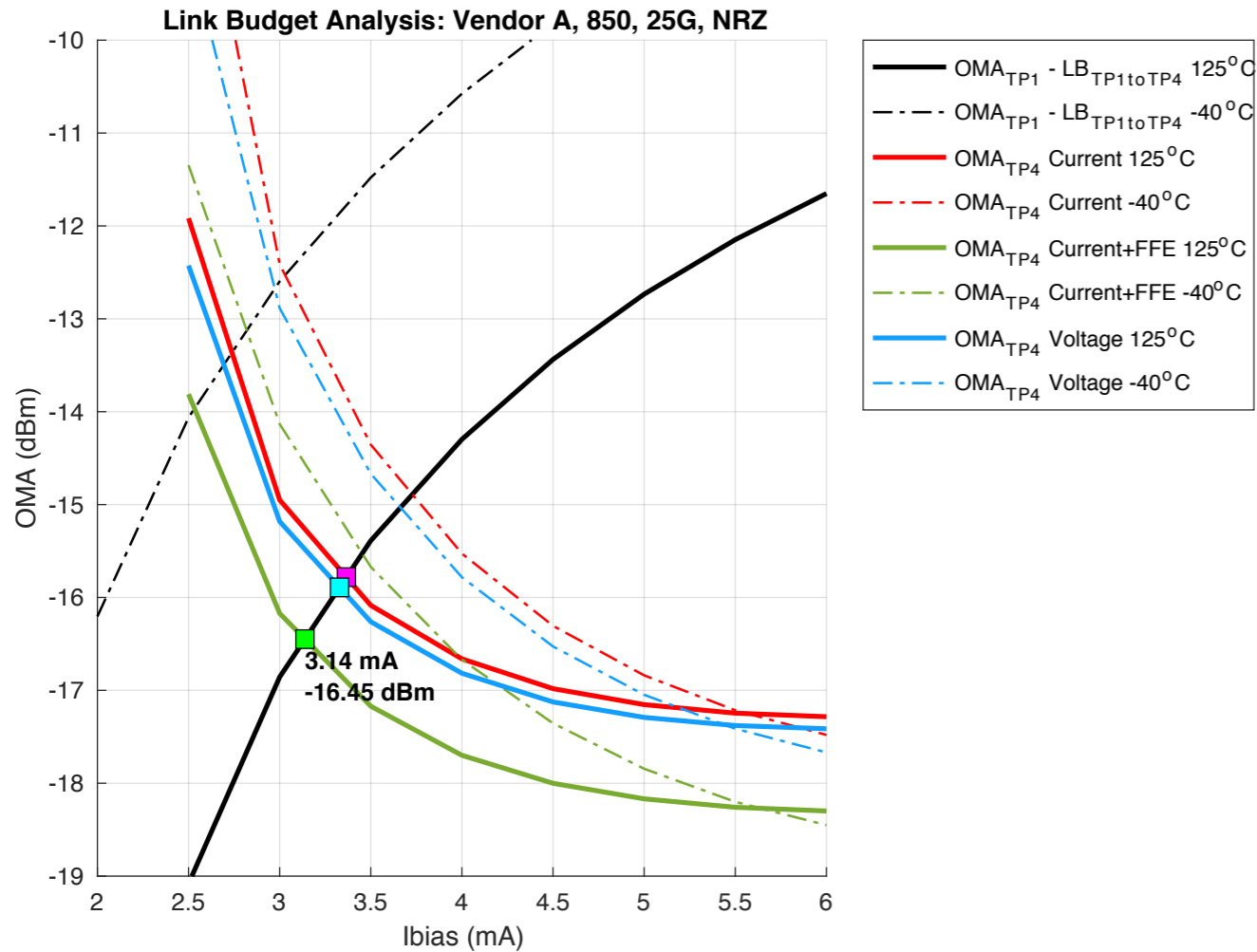
**$\Delta I_{BIAS,min} = 0.00$ mA
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Vendor A, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ – min OMA_{TP4}



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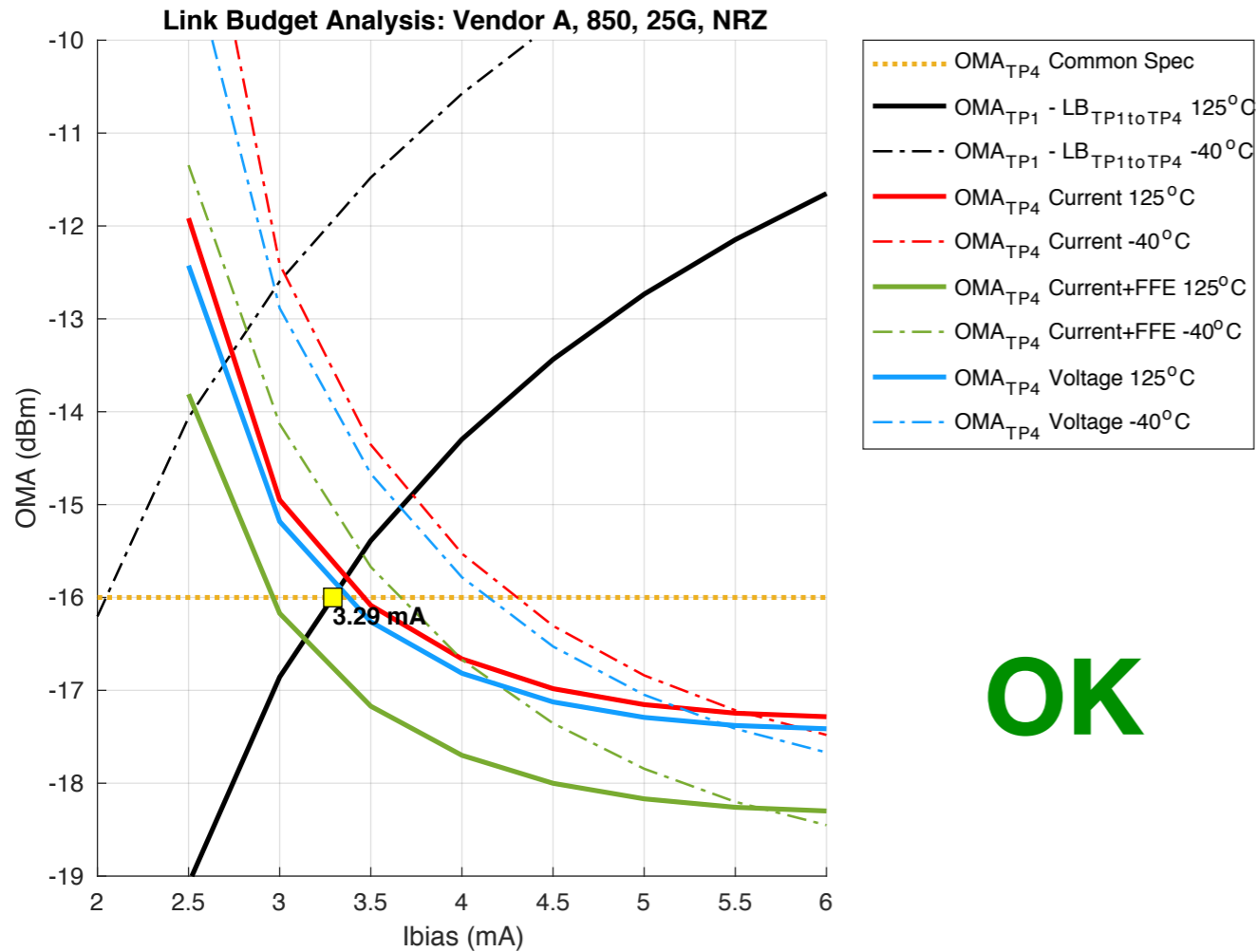
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Vendor A, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ — $OMA_{TP4} = -16$ dBm

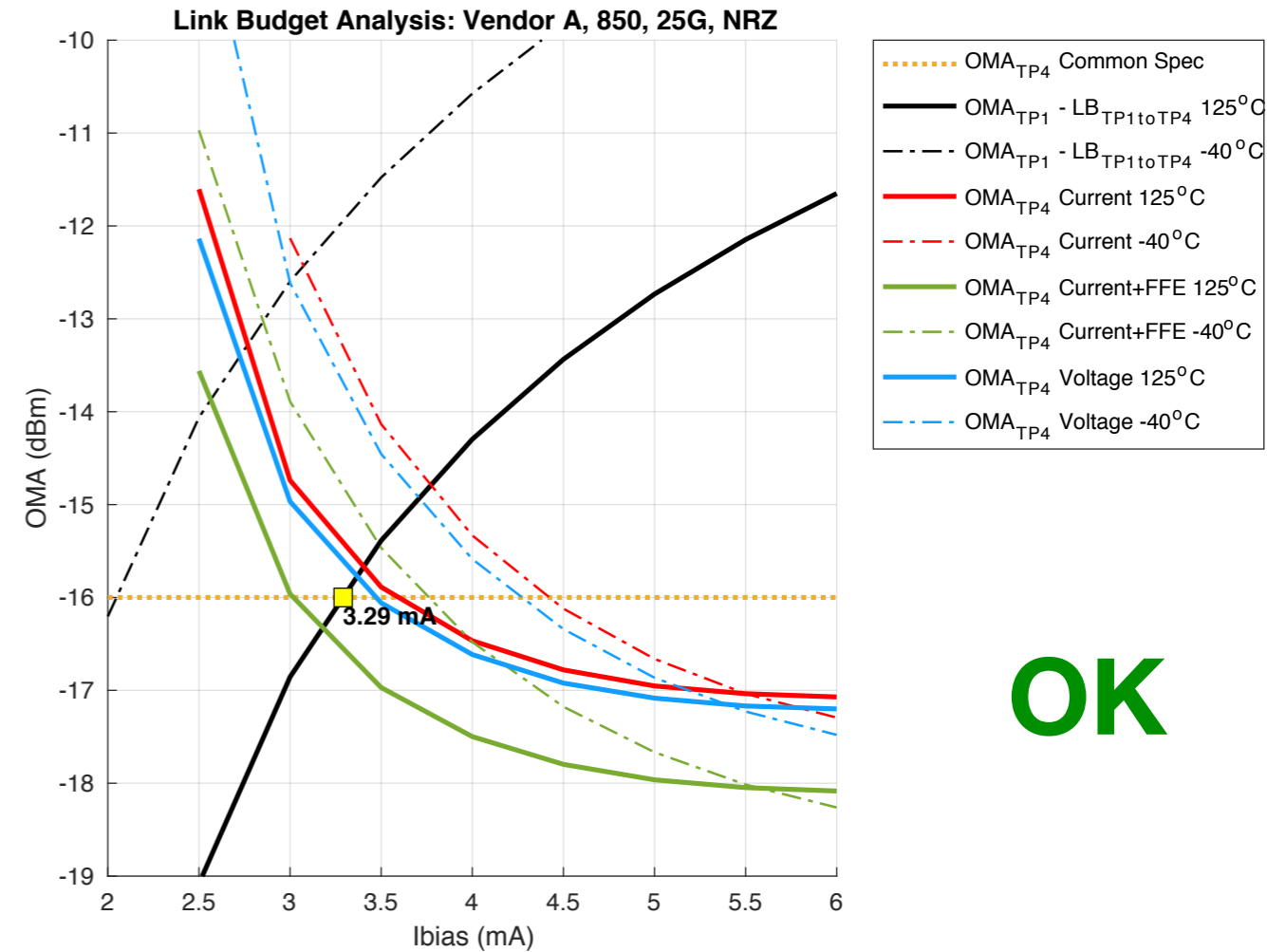


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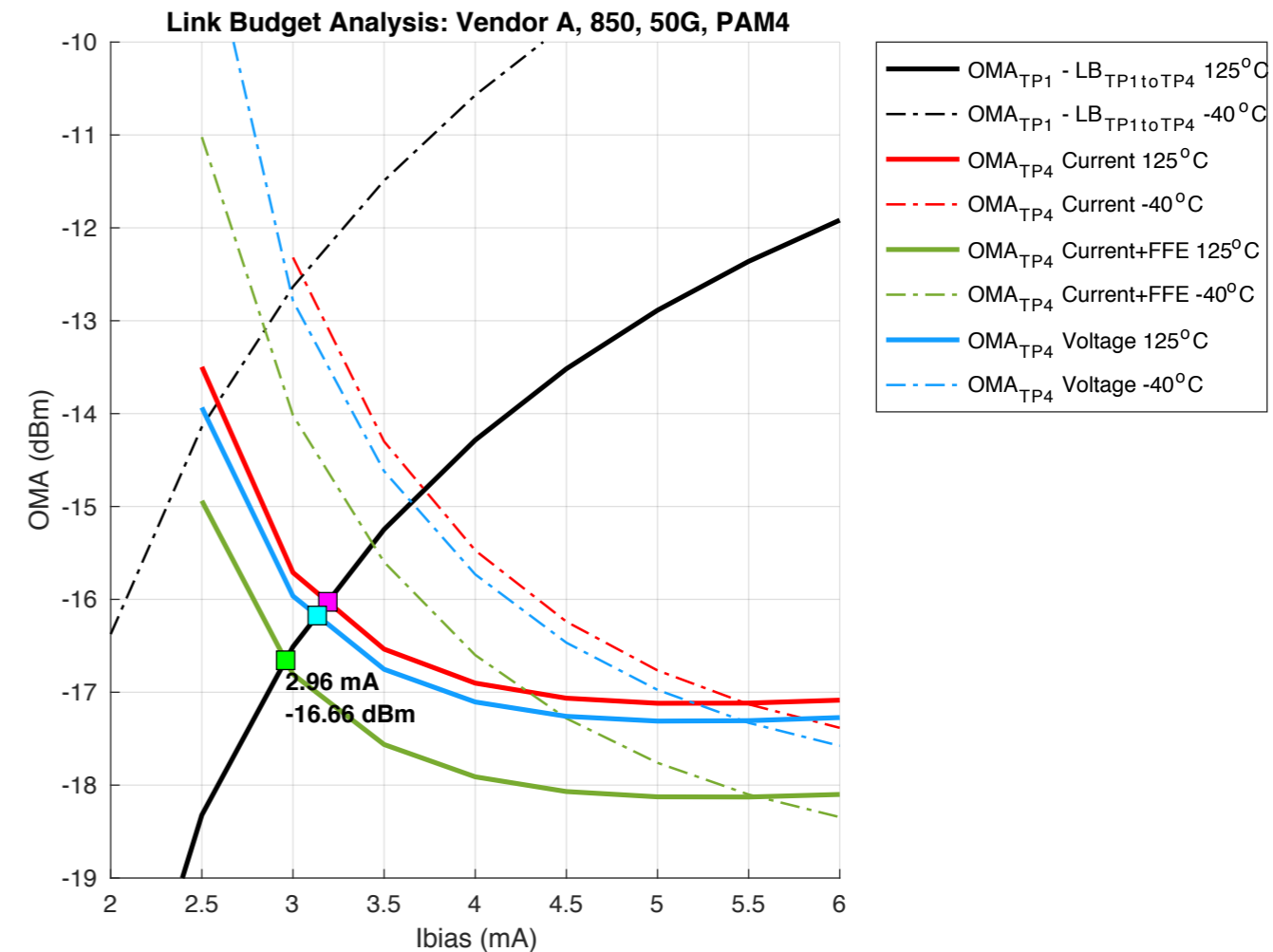
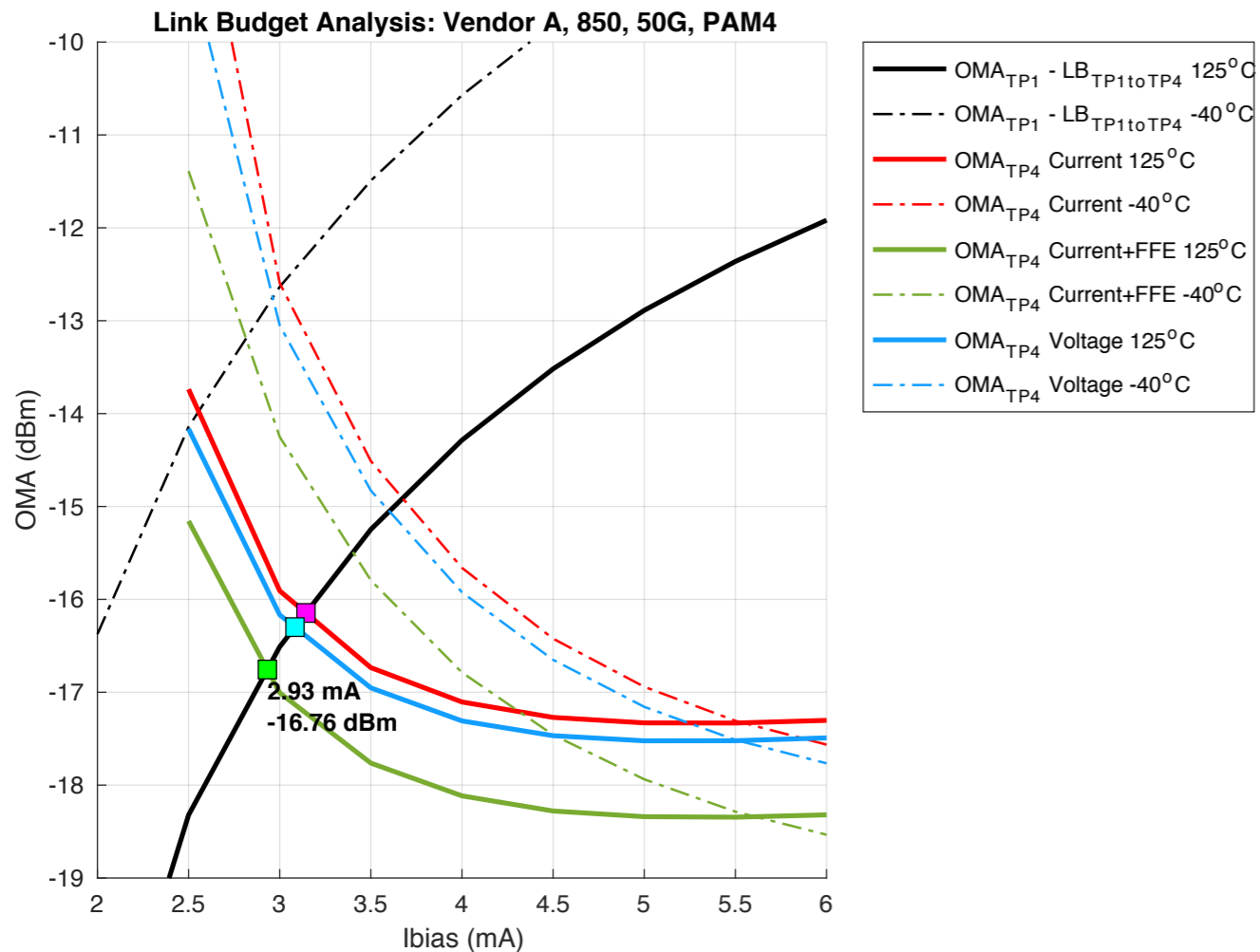
**$\Delta I_{BIAS,min} = 0.00$ mA
@ 125°C**

Vendor A, 850 nm, 50G, PAM4 — min OMA_{TP4}



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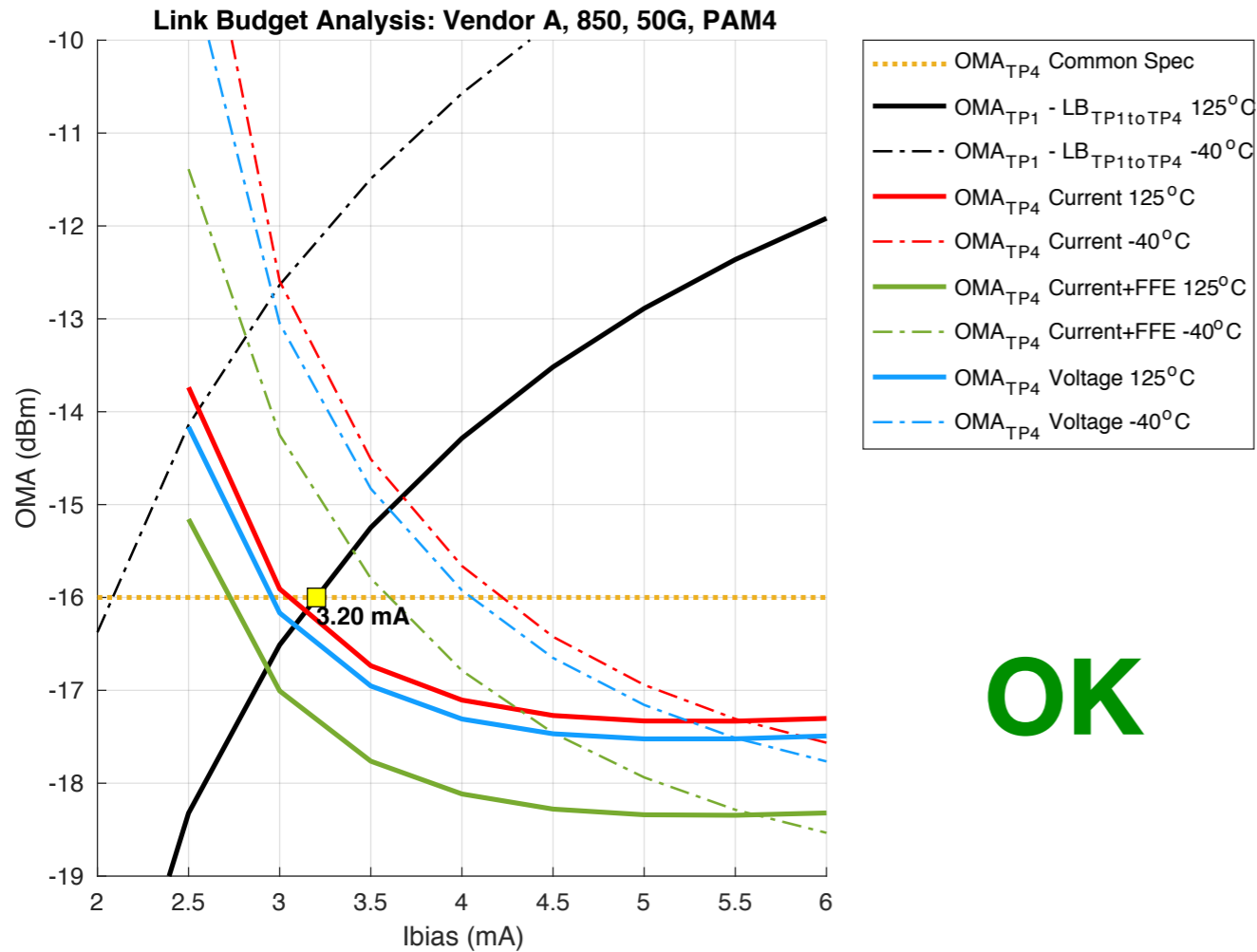
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Vendor A, 850 nm, 50G, PAM4 — $OMA_{TP4} = -16$ dBm

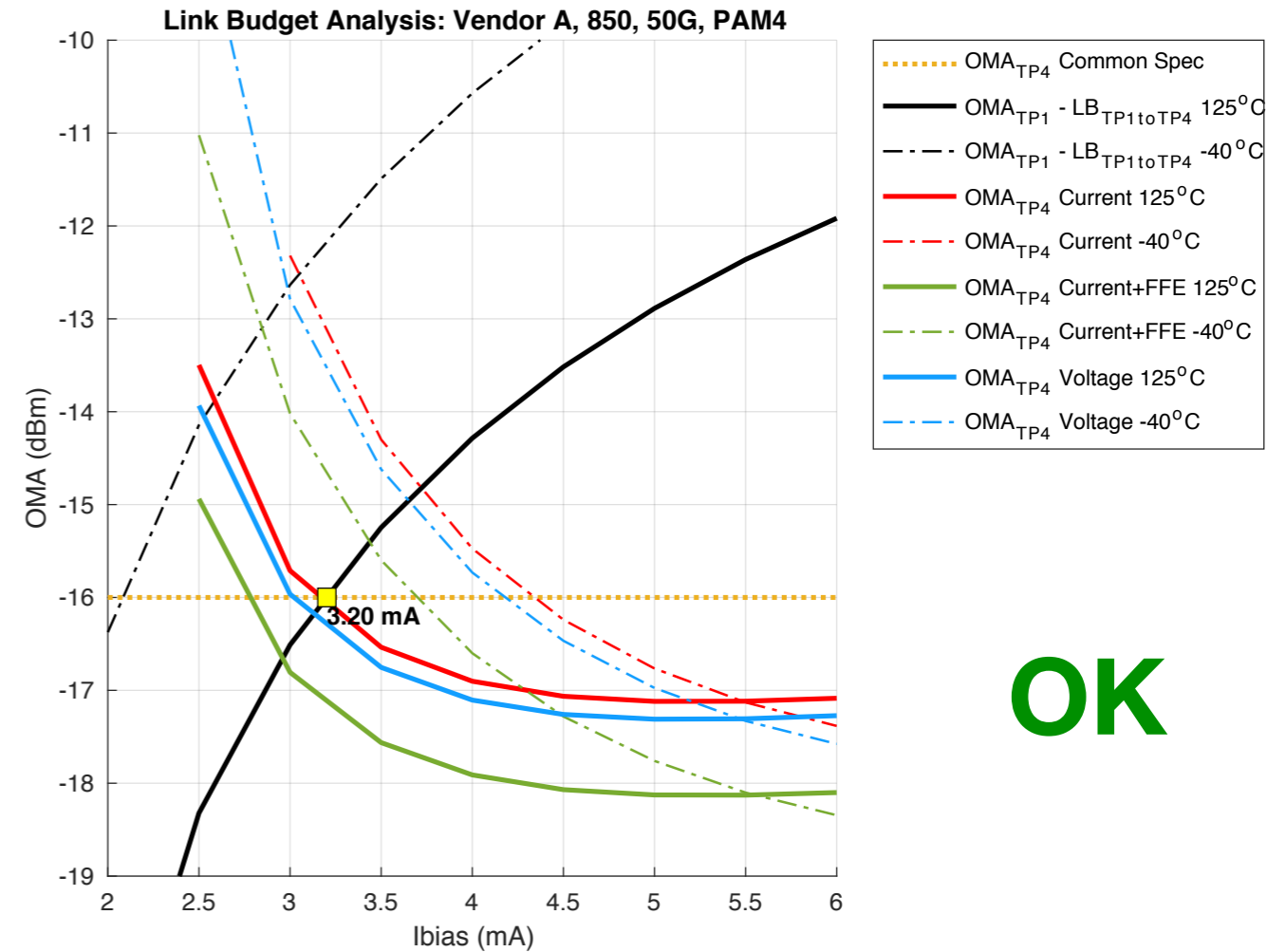


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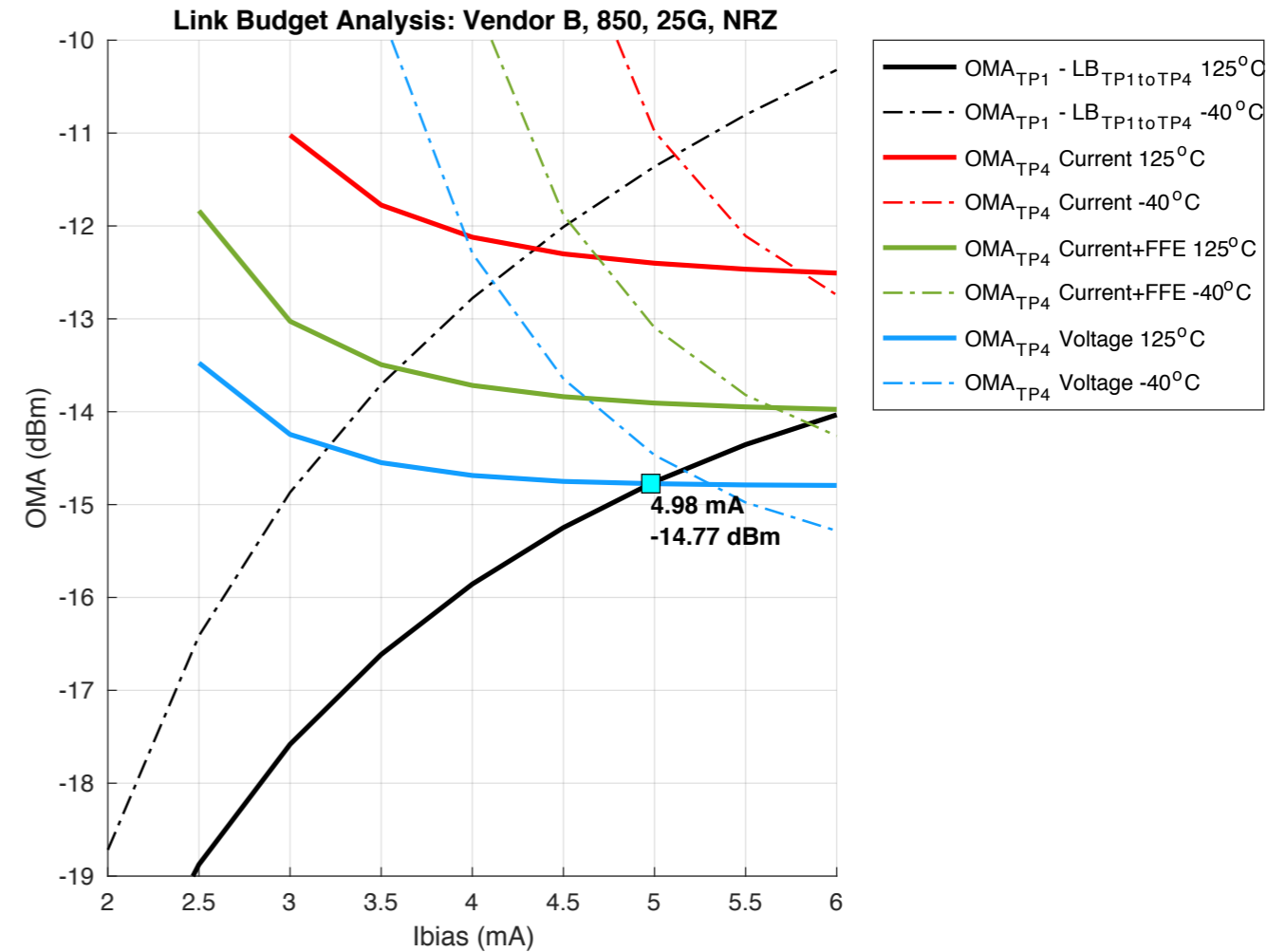
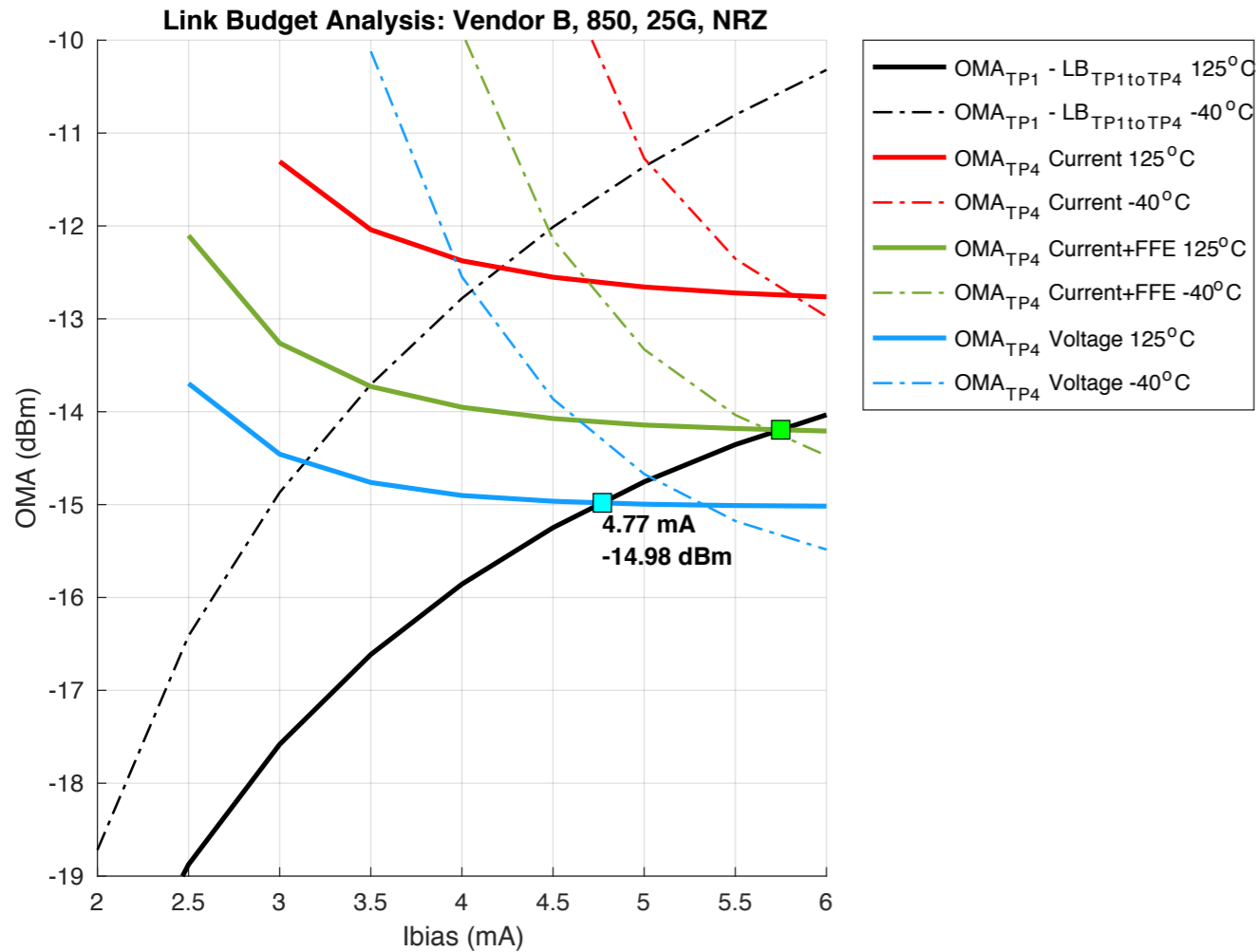
**$\Delta I_{BIAS,min} = 0.00$ mA
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Vendor B, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ – min OMA_{TP4}



BW_{eff} = 1665 MHz·km

BW_{eff} = 936 MHz·km



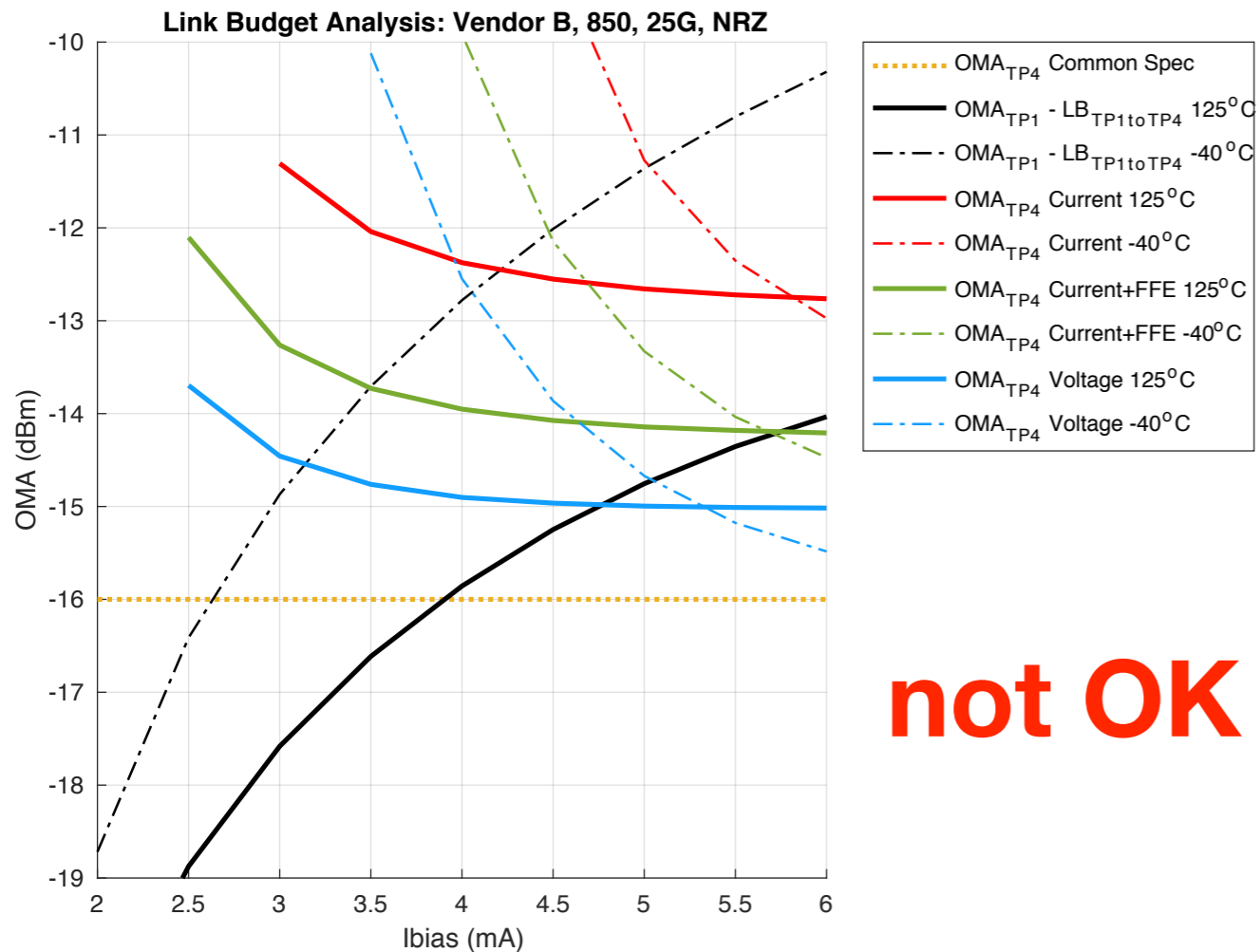
$\Delta\text{OMA}_{\text{TP4}} = 0.21 \text{ dB}$
 $\Delta I_{\text{BIAS,min}} = 0.21 \text{ mA}$
@ 125°C

Vendor B, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ – $OMA_{TP4} = -16$ dBm

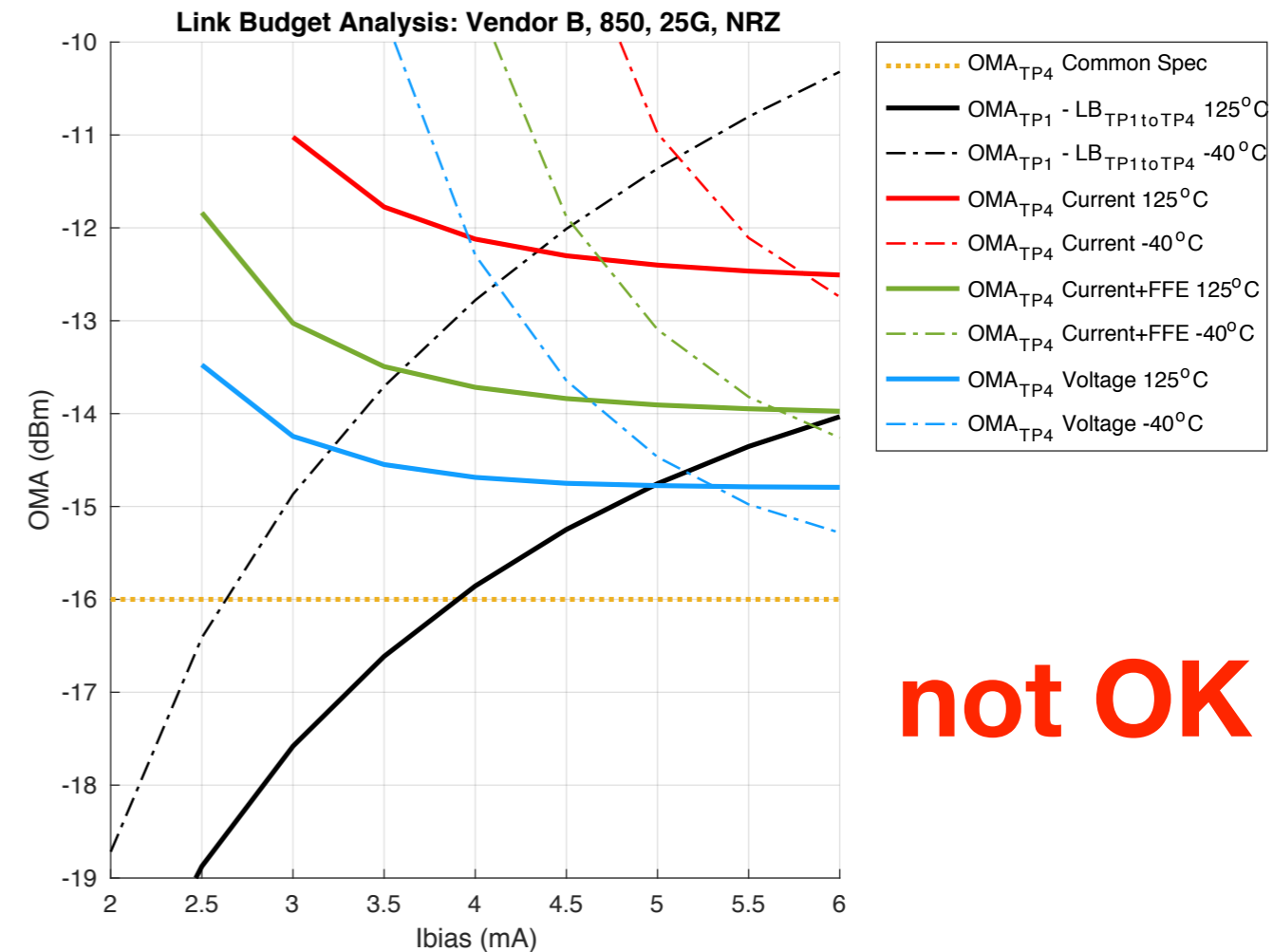


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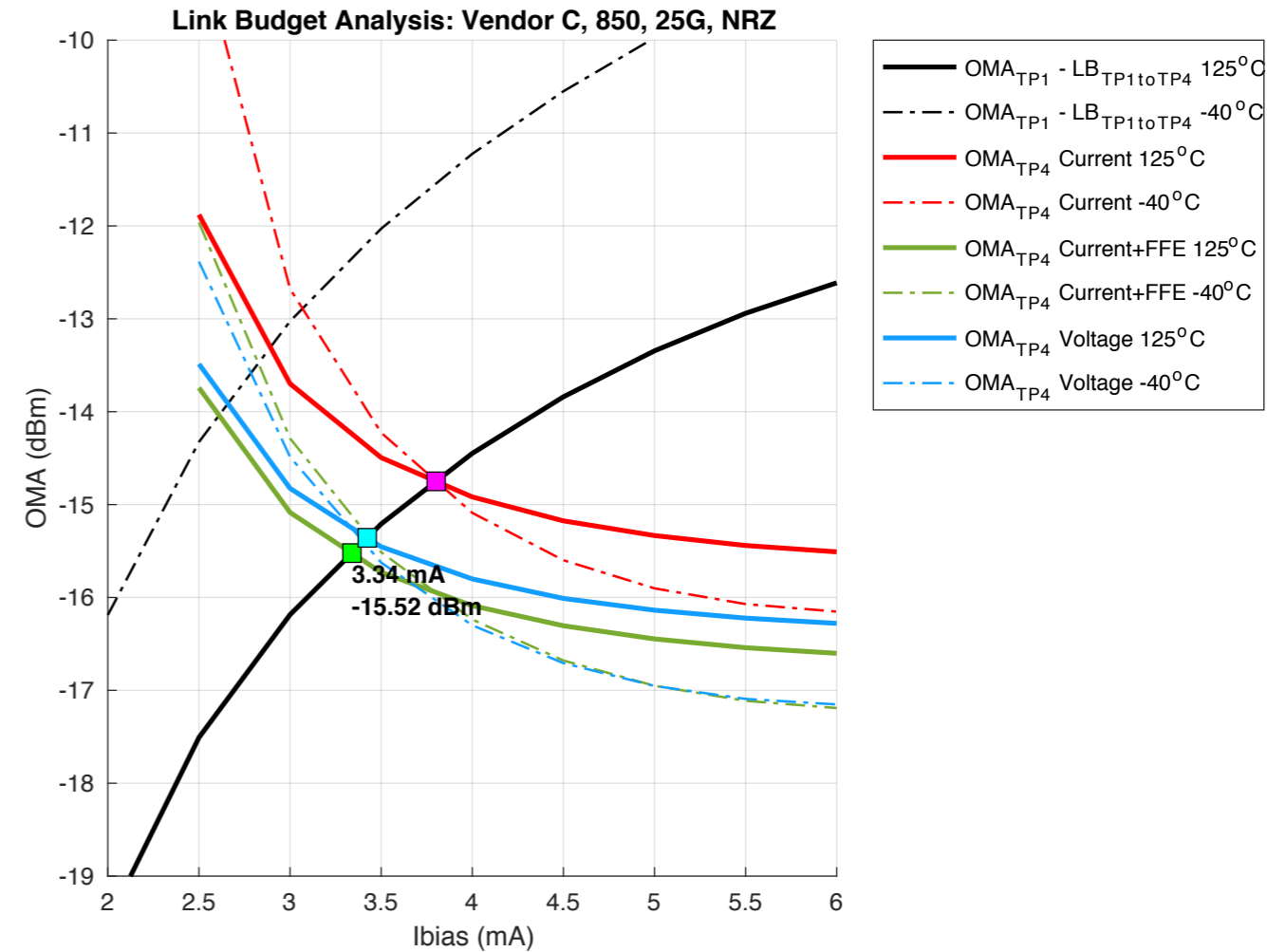
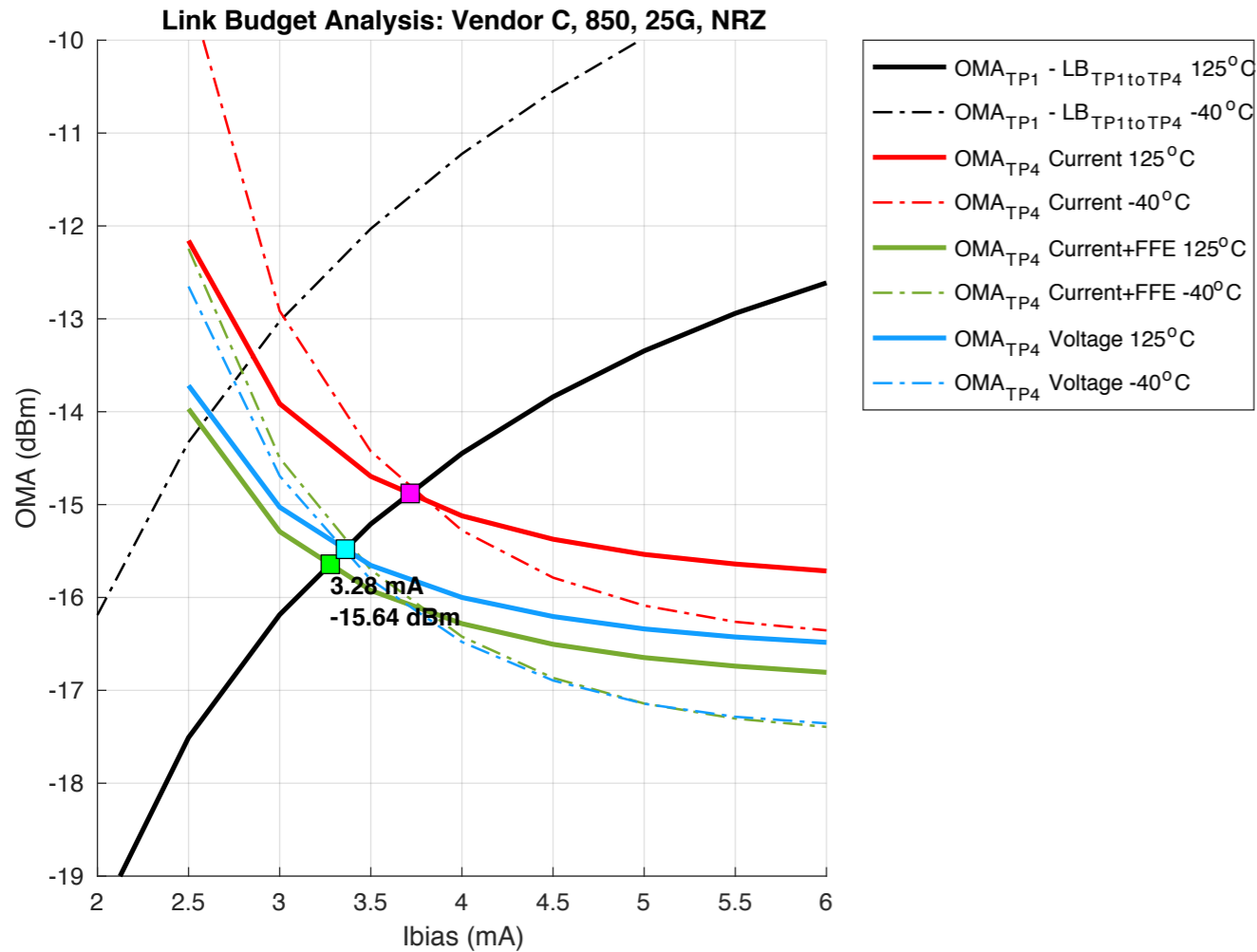
**$\Delta I_{BIAS,min} = N/A$
@ 125°C**

Vendor C, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ – min OMA_{TP4}



BW_{eff} = 1665 MHz·km

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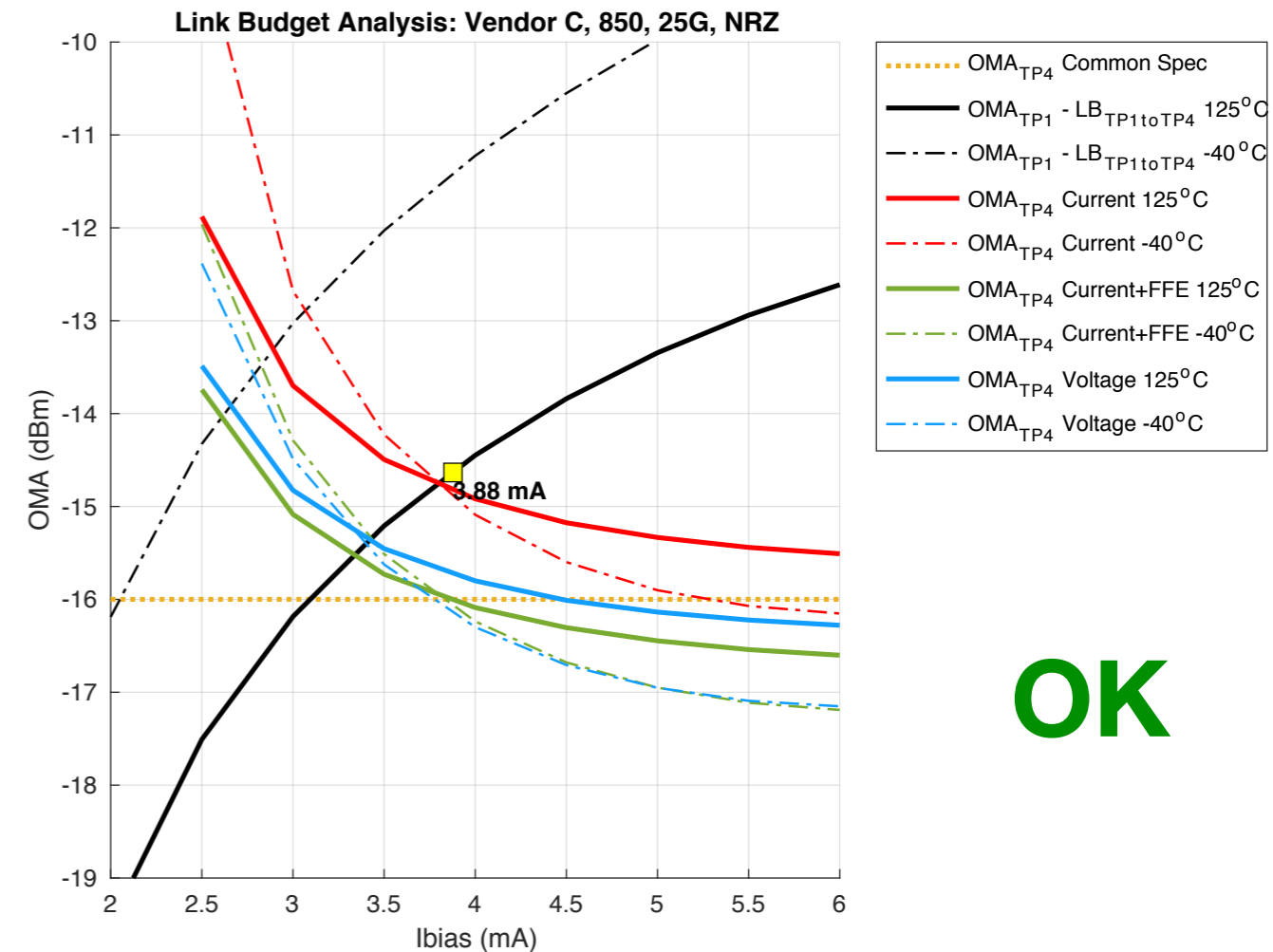
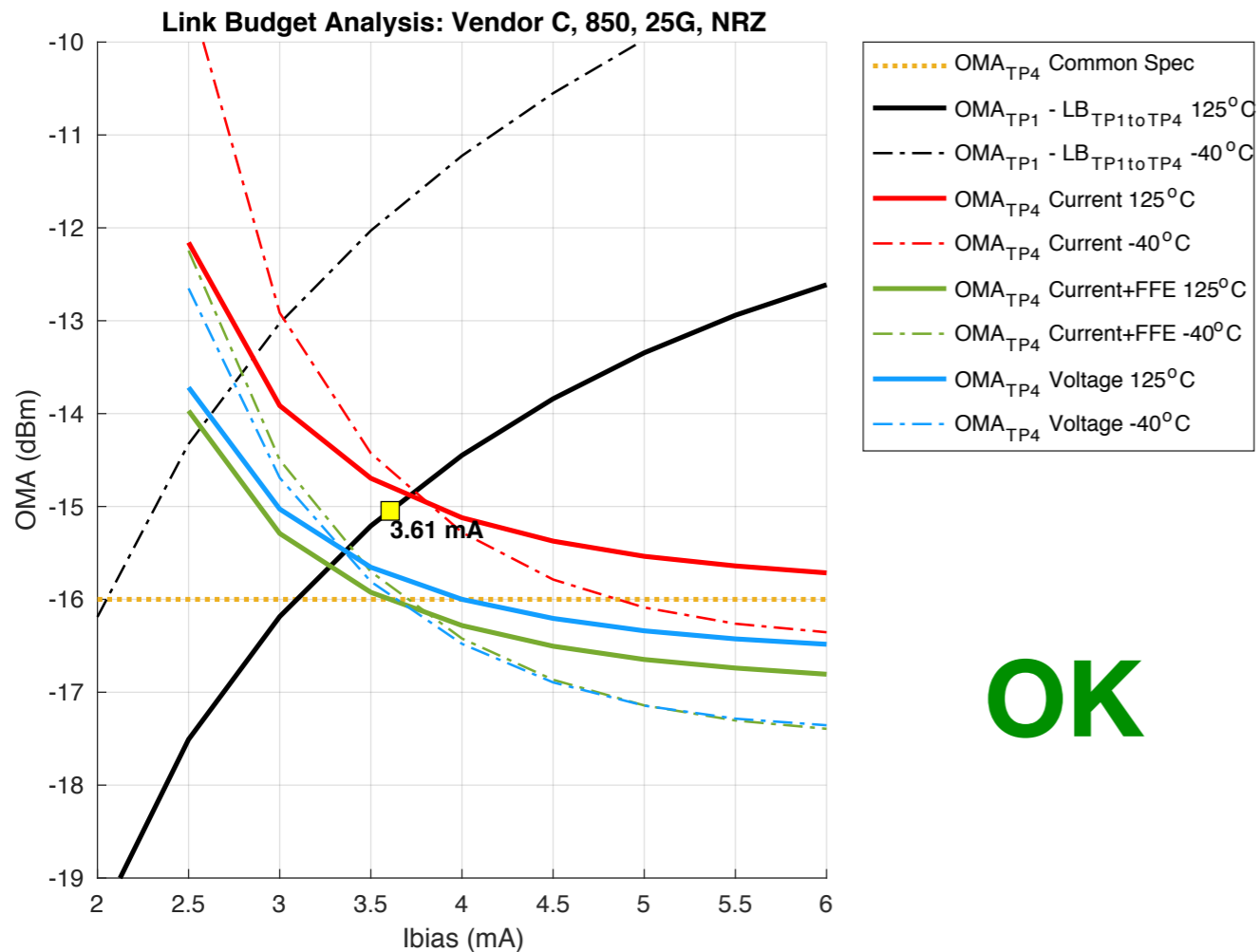
$\Delta\text{OMA}_{\text{TP4}} = 0.12 \text{ dB}$
 $\Delta I_{\text{BIAS},\text{min}} = 0.06 \text{ mA}$
@ 125°C

Vendor C, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ — $OMA_{TP4} = -16$ dBm



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**$\Delta I_{BIAS,min} = 0.27$ mA
@ 125°C**

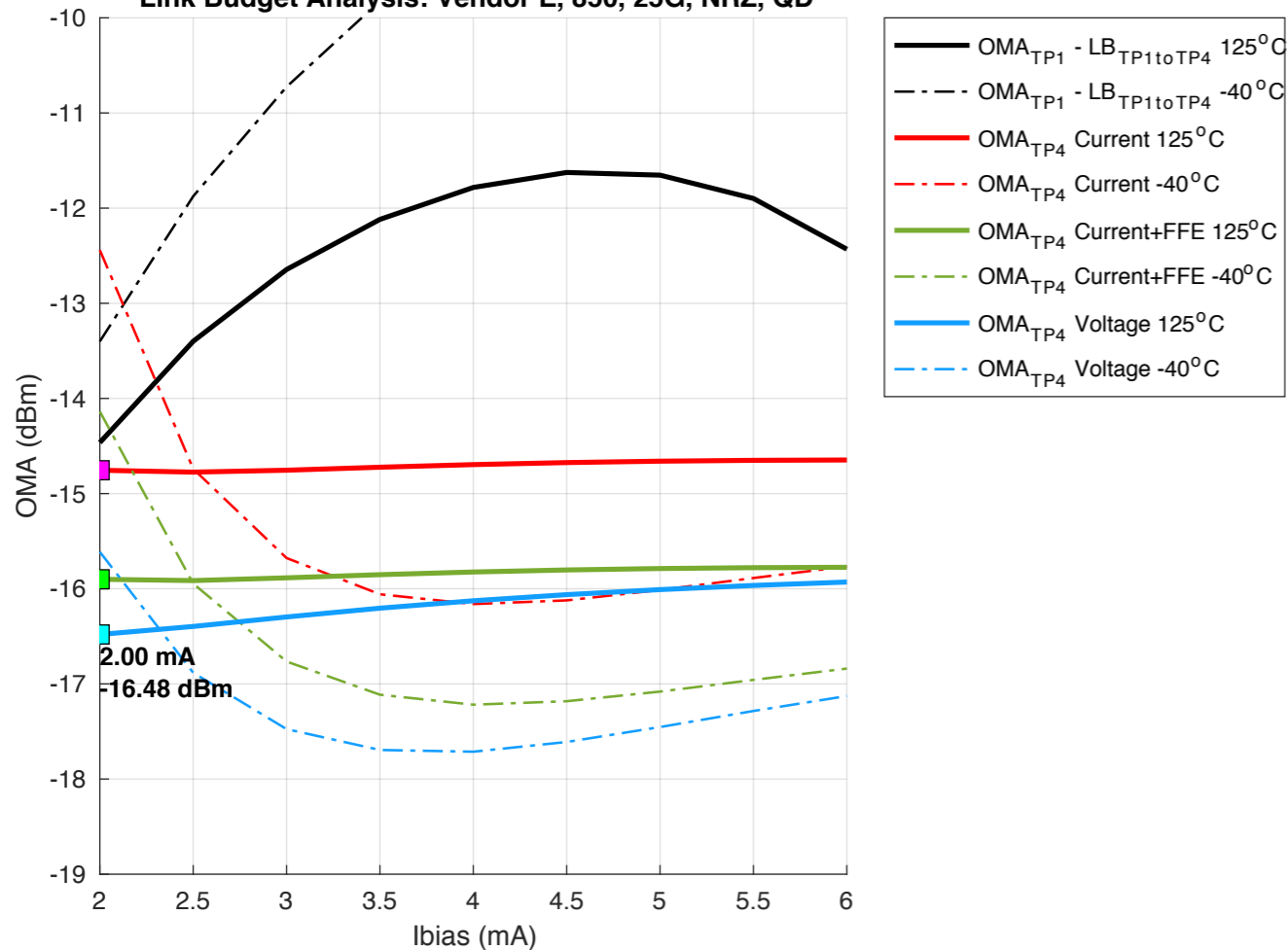
Vendor E, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ, QD – min OMA_{TP4}



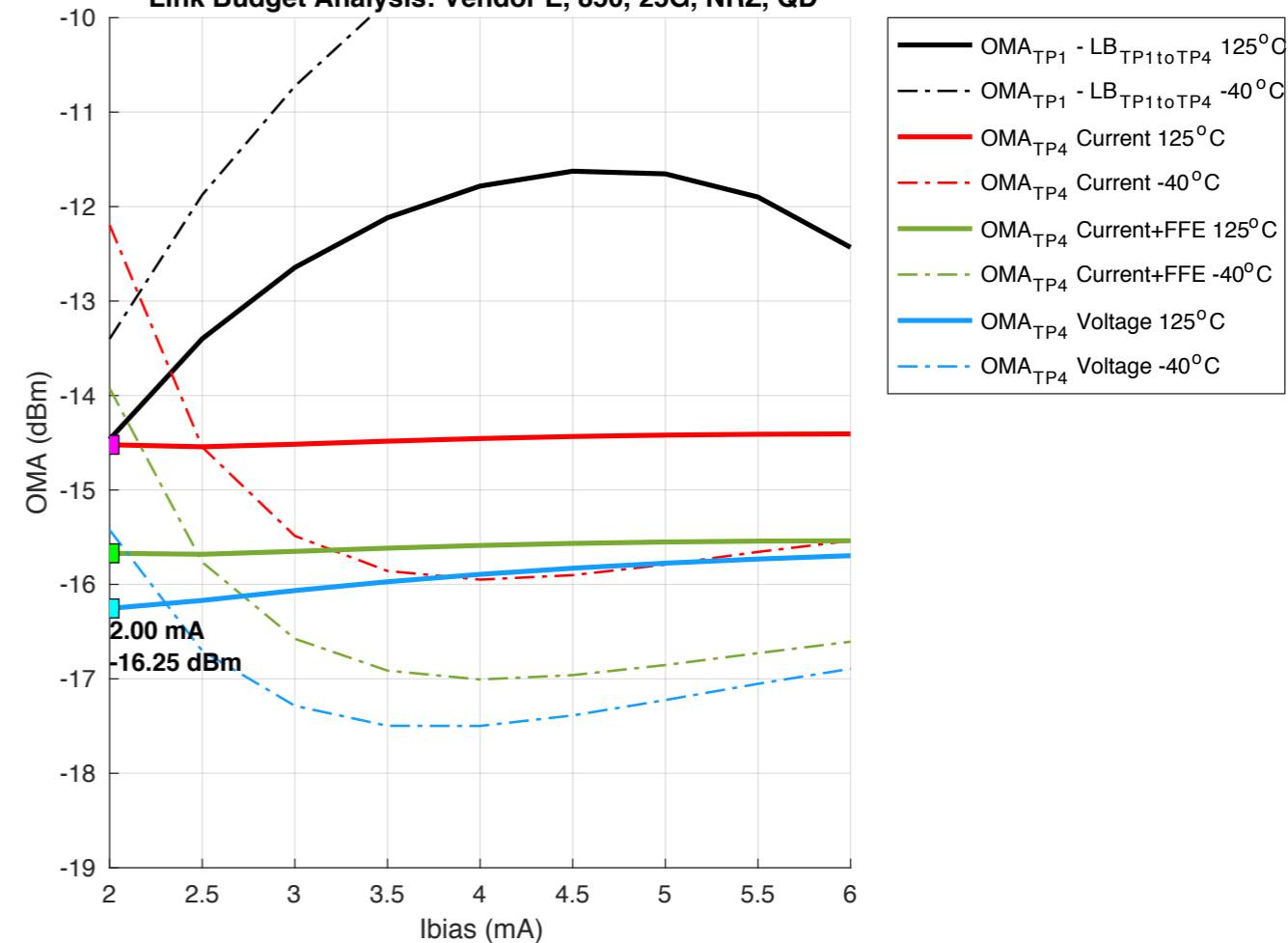
BW_{eff} = 1665 MHz·km

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Link Budget Analysis: Vendor E, 850, 25G, NRZ, QD



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$\Delta OMA_{TP4} = 0.23 \text{ dB}$
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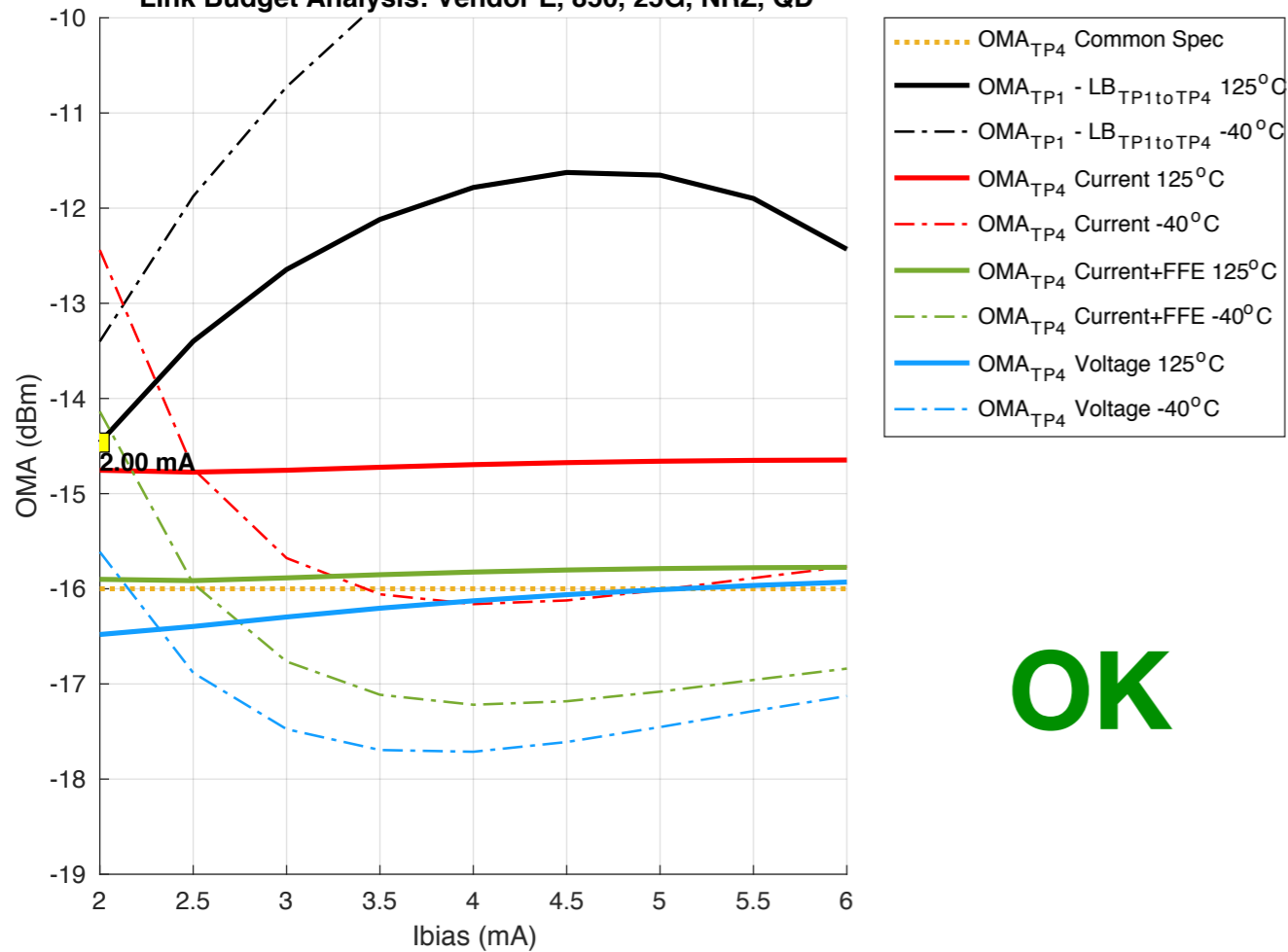
Vendor E, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ, QD — $OMA_{TP4} = -16$ dBm



$BW_{eff} = 1665$ MHz·km

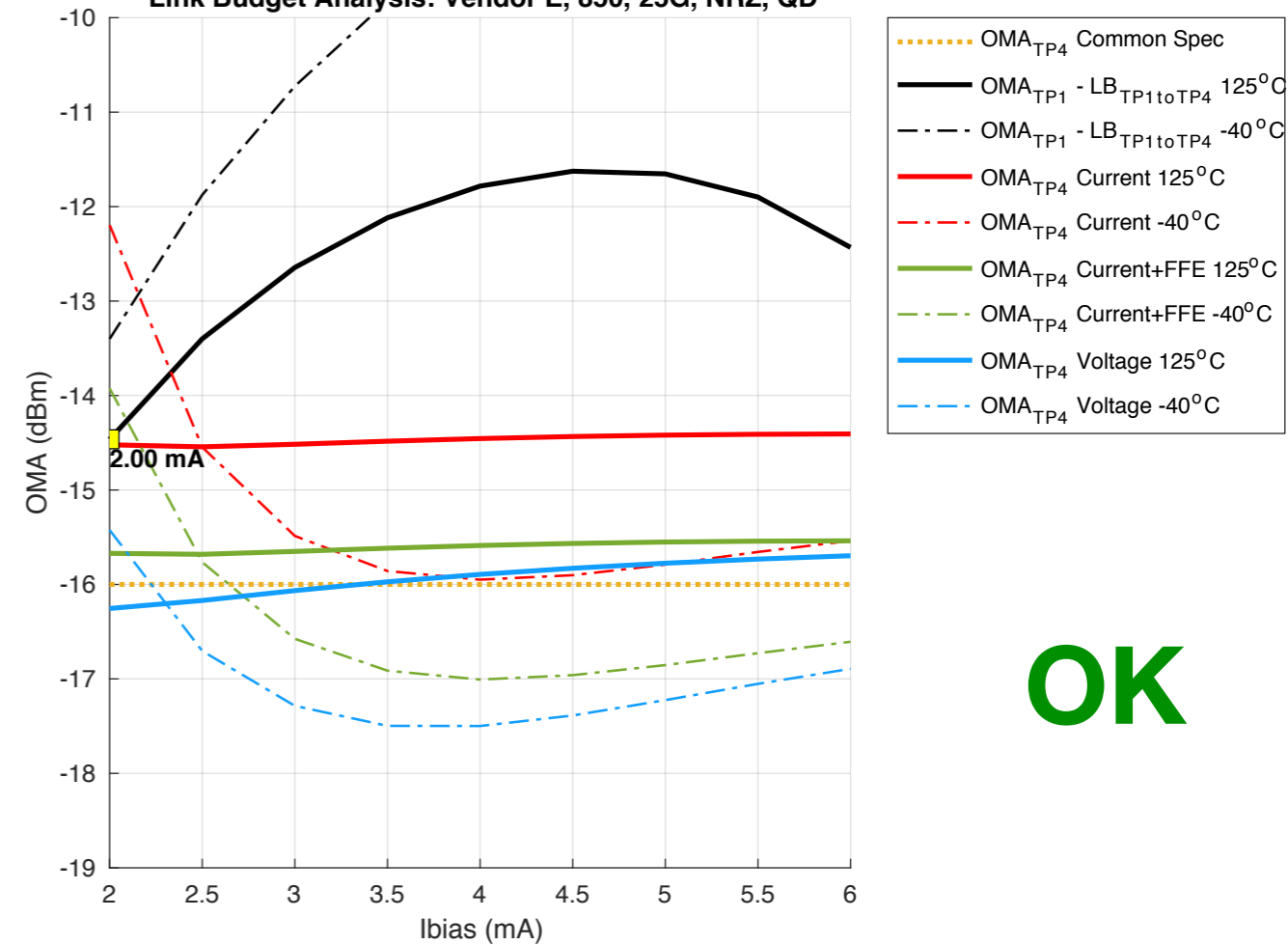
$BW_{eff} = 936$ MHz·km

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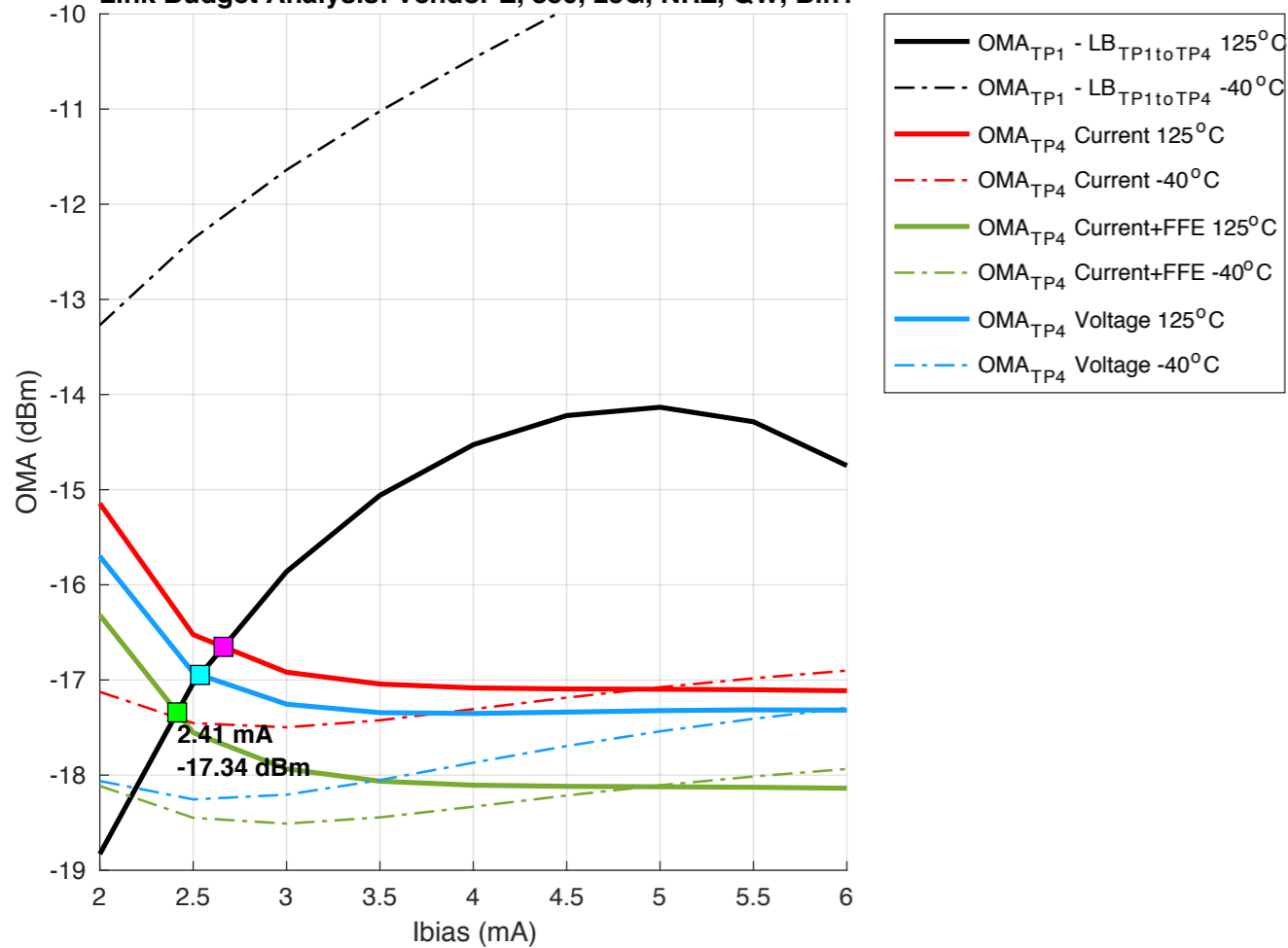
Vendor E, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ, QW, Bin1 – min OMA_{TP4}



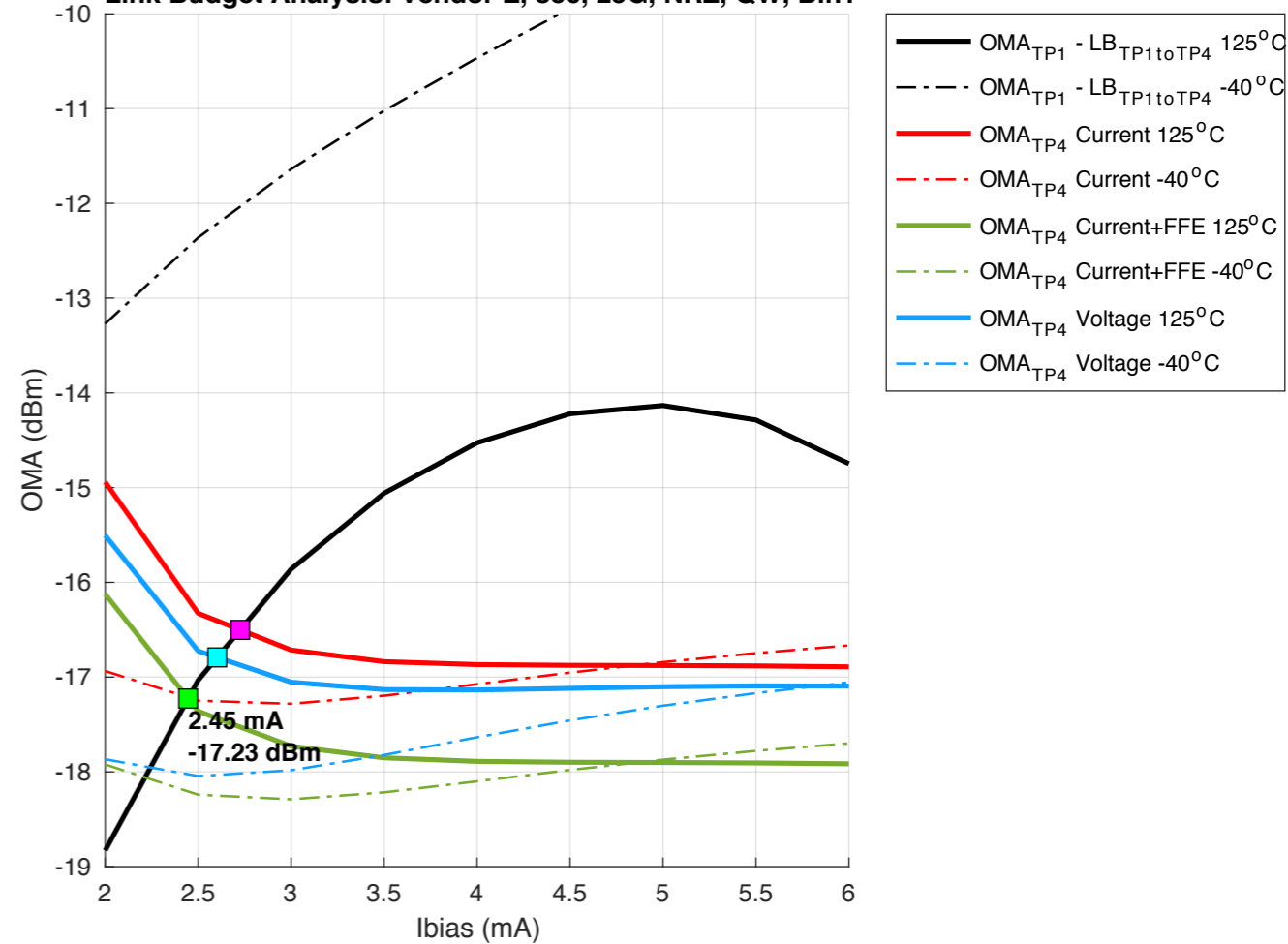
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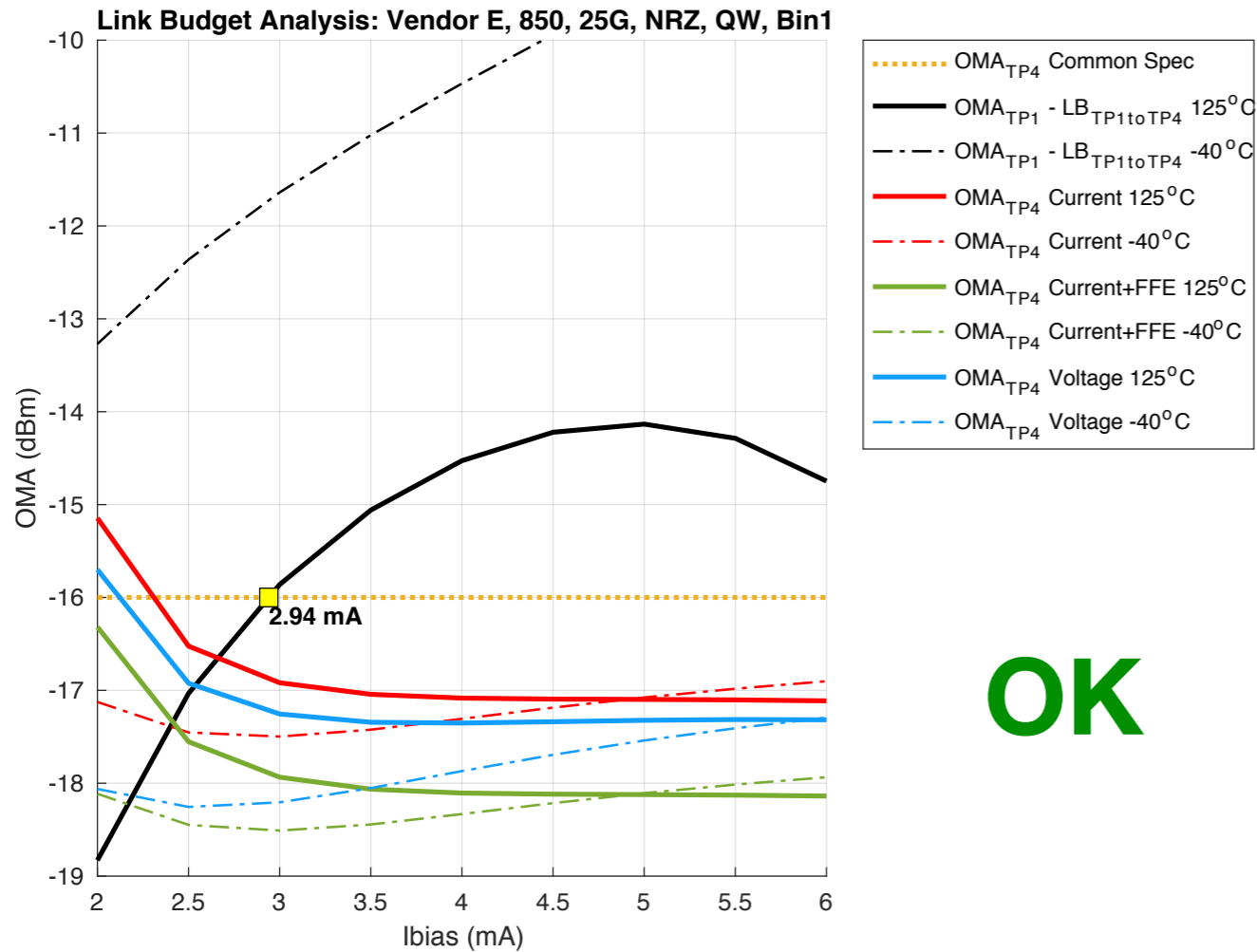
$\Delta\text{OMA}_{\text{TP4}} = 0.11 \text{ dB}$
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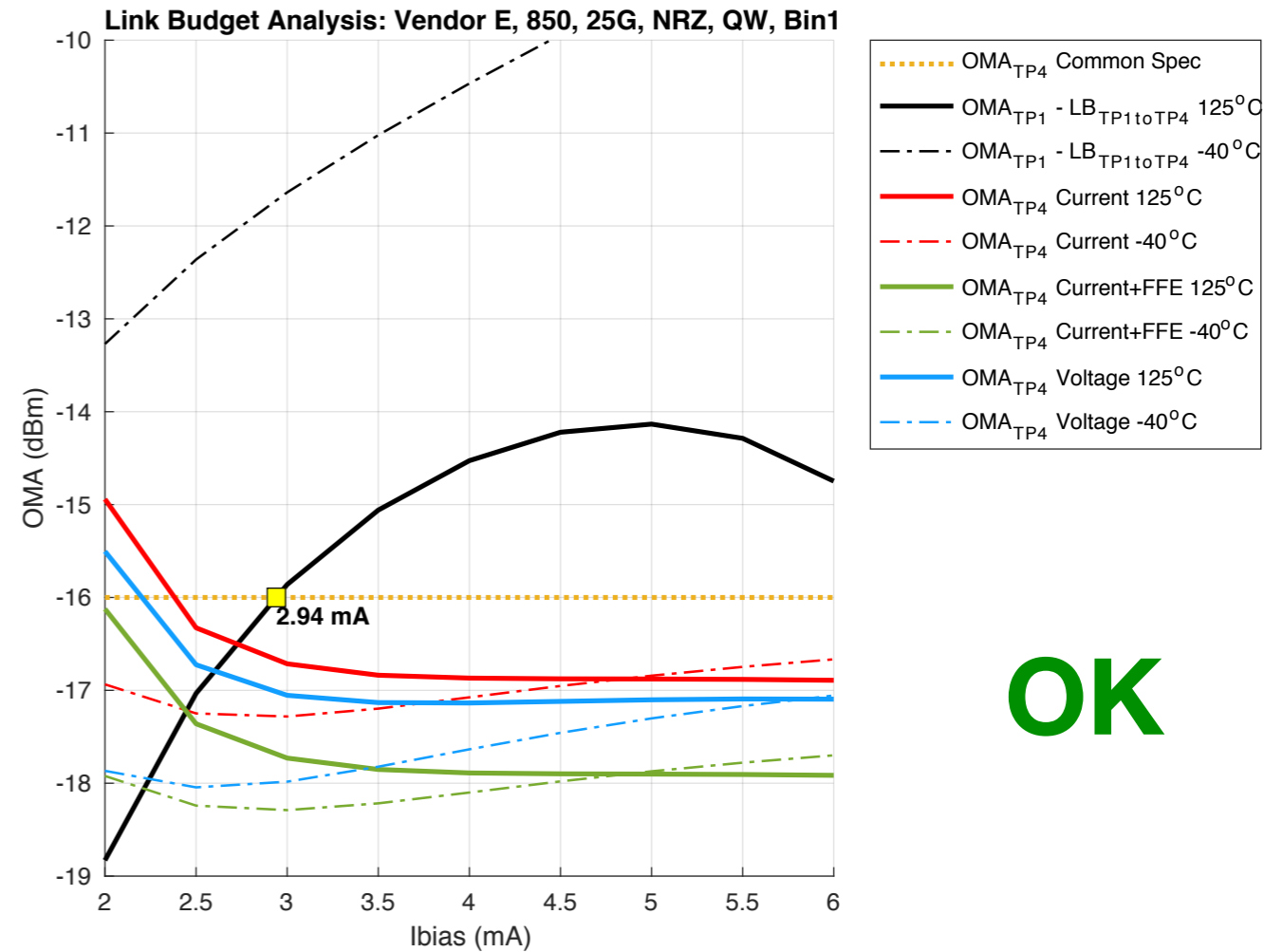


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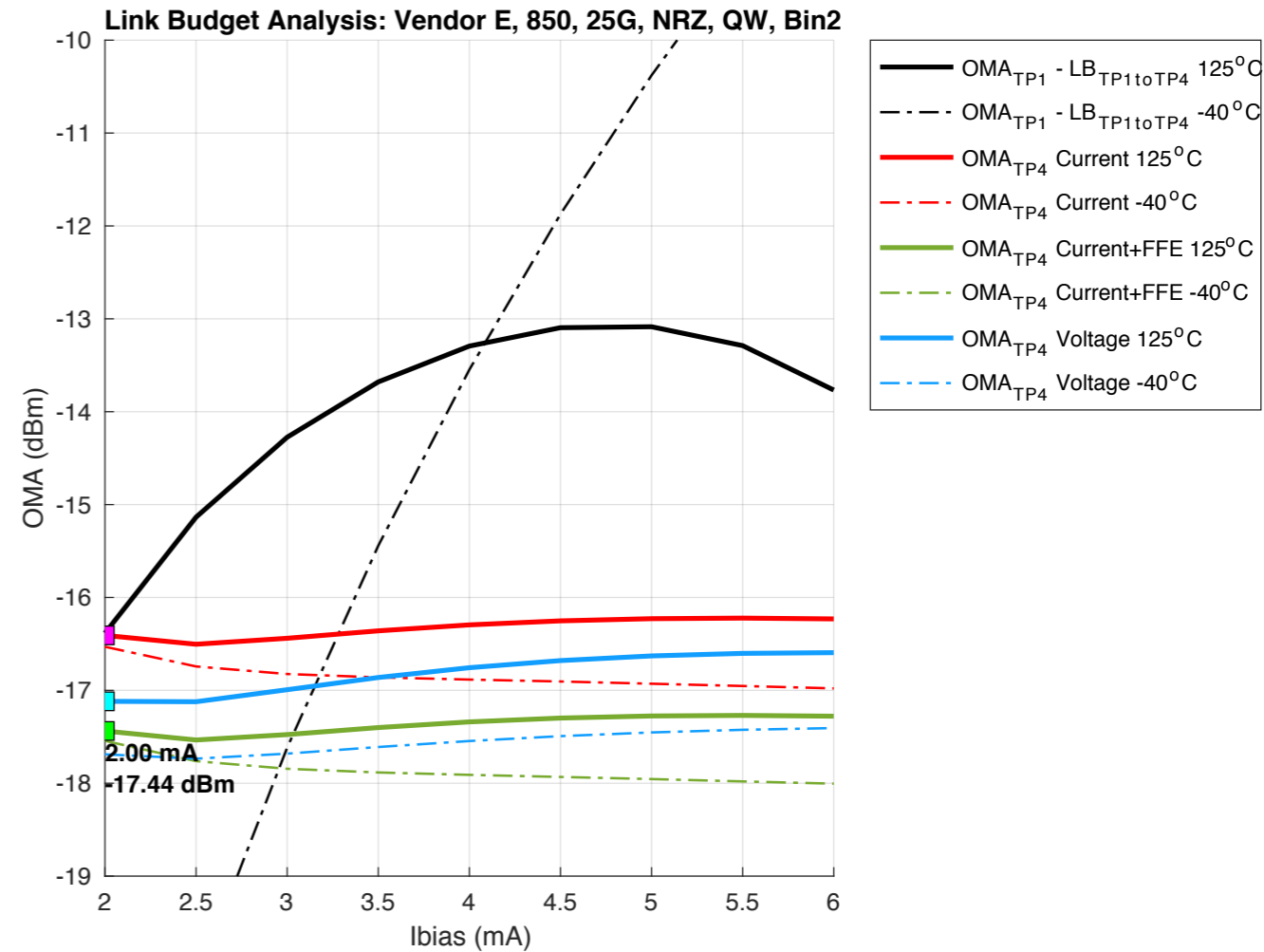
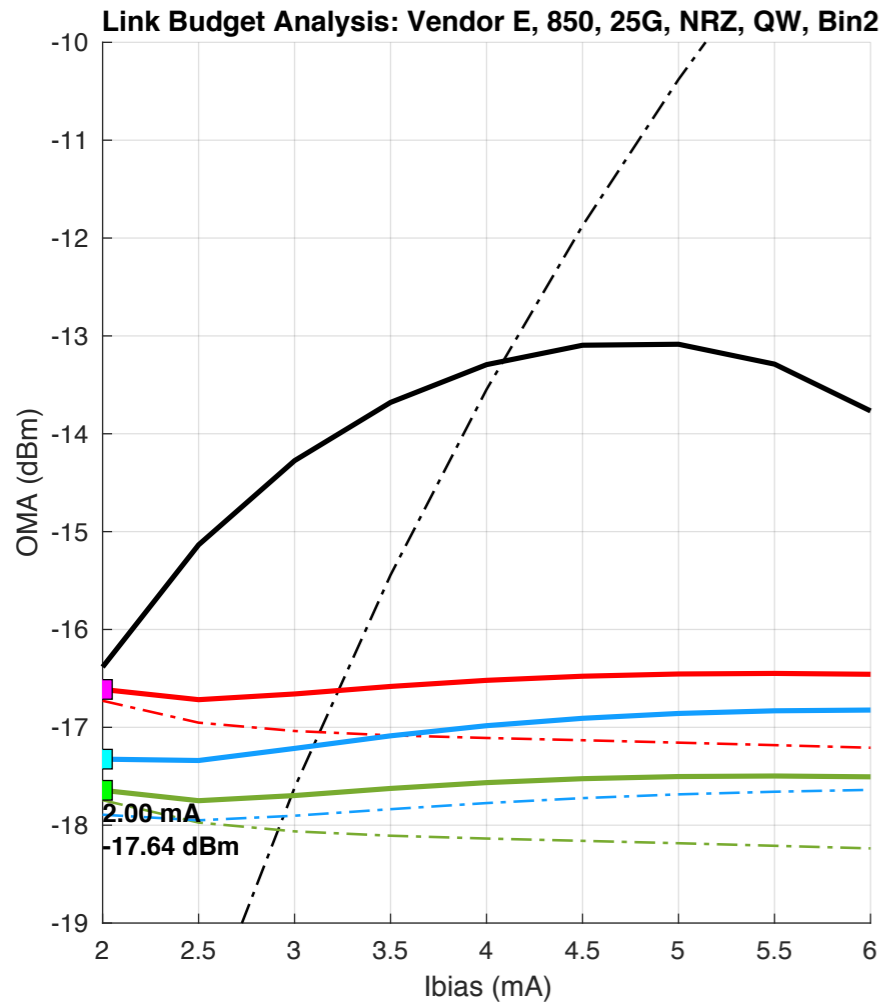
**$\Delta I_{BIAS,min} = 0$ mA
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Vendor E, 850 nm, 25G, NRZ, QW, Bin2 – min OMA_{TP4}



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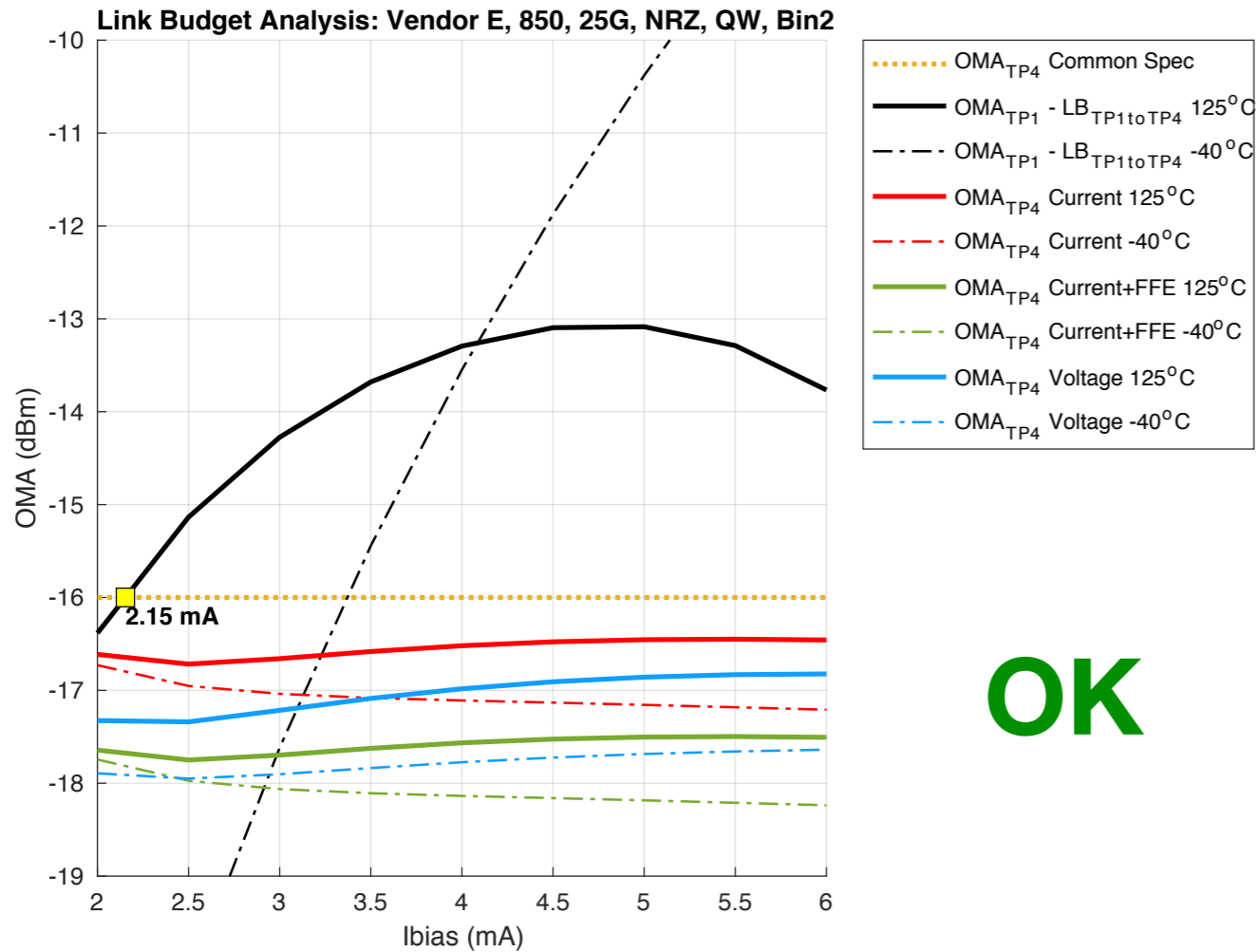
$\Delta\text{OMA}_{\text{TP4}} = 0.20 \text{ dB}$
 $\Delta I_{\text{BIAS, min}} = 0.00 \text{ mA}$
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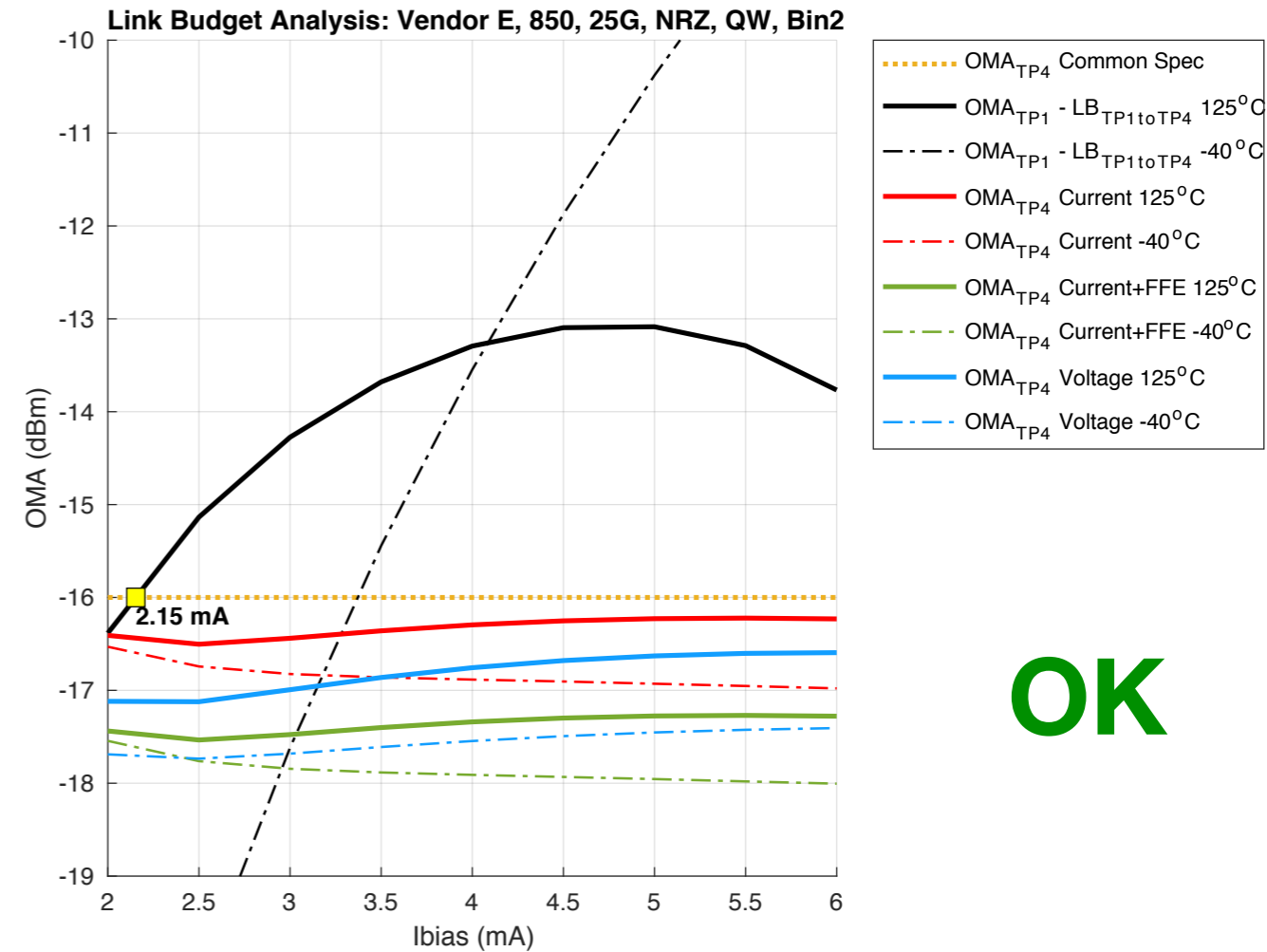


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Conclusions



- The contribution analyzed by simulation the impact in the RX sensitivity of reduced EMB equivalent to use longer wavelength VCSELs for 25 Gb/s transmission
- Sensitivity loss is **< 0.25 dB** for all the characterized VCSELs operating at 125°C, with margin in any case for the common receiver sensitivity of -16 dBm
- Based on the reported data, it is demonstrated the use of OM3 is feasible with longer wavelengths VCSELs (e.g. 980nm) for data rate of 25 Gb/s in a fiber optic cable of 40 meters with 4 inline connections
- Because the objective for 50 Gb/s data rate is only 15 m length, the BW_{eff} of the OM3 fiber will scale as $40/15 = 2.67$, which is higher than the symbol-rates factor, i.e. 2, assuming the same transmission scheme
- Based on these reasons, it is also demonstrated that the use of OM3 fibers with longer wavelengths VCSELs is not a limiting factor to meet the objective of 50 Gb/s



Thank you!