

Data on $\text{OMA}_{\text{outer}}$ and correlation with $\text{OMA}_{\text{TDECQ}}$

- related to comments #69 and #218

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Background

- This presentation provides some measured data on Comments 218 and 69. They both relate to OMA_{outer}, however, they are quite different

#218. Fix ambiguity in the definition.
Measurement done on all runs (not just one)

Cl 180	SC 180.9.5	P 476	L 42	# 218
Maniloff, Eric		Ciena Corporation		
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#69. TDECQ equation to use OMA_{TDECQ} instead of OMA_{outer}

Cl 180	SC 180.9.6.4	P 483	L 45	# 69
El-Chayeb, Ahmad		Keysight Technologies Inc		
Comment Type	TR	Comment Status	D	TDECQ-OMA (OI)
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Comment 218. Clarifying OMA_{outer} definition in Draft 3.0

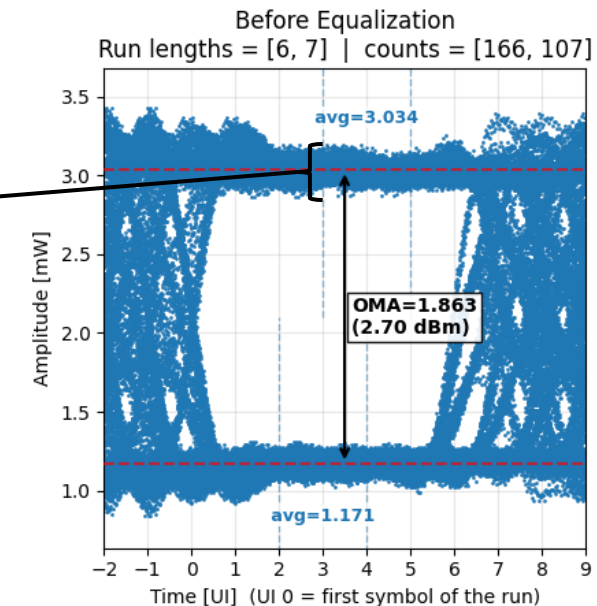
Draft 3.0 definition:

180.9.5 Outer optical modulation amplitude (OMA_{outer})

The OMA_{outer} of each lane shall be within the limit given in Table 180-7. The OMA_{outer} is measured using a test pattern specified for OMA_{outer} in Table 180-14 as the difference between the average optical launch power level P_3 , measured over the central 2 UI of a run of 7 threes, and the average optical launch power level P_0 , measured over the central 2 UI of a run of 6 zeros, as shown in Figure 180-8. OMA_{outer} is measured using the waveforms captured at the output of the reference receiver defined in 180.9.2.

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- Unclear whether P_3 is defined from:
 - a single run of 7 threes, or
 - the average across all 107 runs in SSPRQ
- Large variation between individual runs
- Averaging across all runs improves measurement stability
- David Leyba (affiliated with Keysight): “current implementation averages across all runs”



Comment 69. Replace OMA_{outer} with OMA_{TDECQ} in Eq 180-12

Draft 3.0 definition:

The RMS noise, R, that could be added by a receiver is given by Equation (180-11).

$$R = \sqrt{\sigma_G^2 + \sigma_S^2} \quad (180-11)$$

TDECQ is given by Equation (180-12).

$$TDECQ = 10 \log_{10} \left(\frac{OMA_{outer}}{6} \times \frac{1}{Q_T R} \right) \quad (180-12)$$

where

OMA_{outer} is measured as defined in 180.9.5

- The proposed remedy suggests using OMA_{TDECQ} instead of OMA_{outer} in the TDECQ calculation.
- OMA_{TDECQ} and OMA_{outer} are not equivalent measurements, and the introduction of DFE increased the difference between them.
- In Eq. 180-12, the receiver noise term R is added before the reference equalizer, therefore, OMA term should be measured before reference equalizer to remain consistent.
- Redefining OMA_{outer} to be measured after the reference equalizer is beyond the scope of this comment, and should consider impact on extinction ratio, overshoot, and RIN.

CI 180 SC 180.9.6.4 P483 L45 # 69

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Comment Type TR

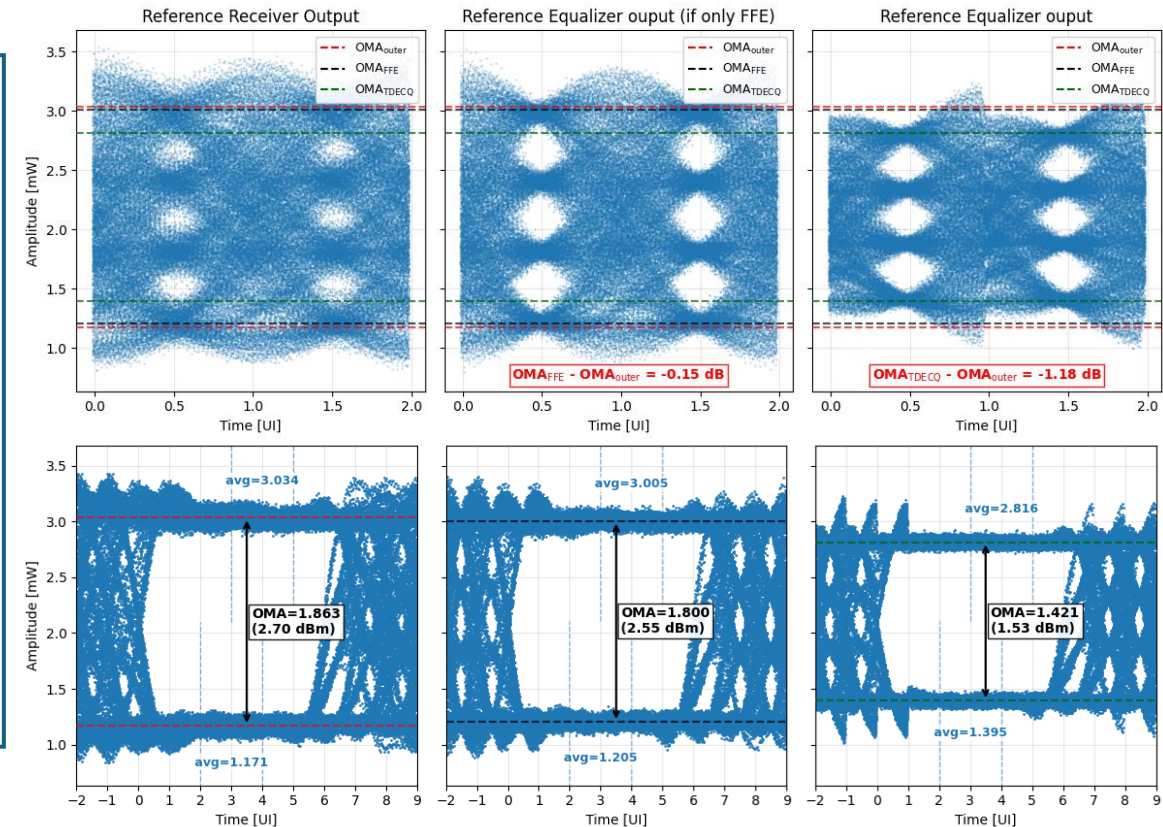
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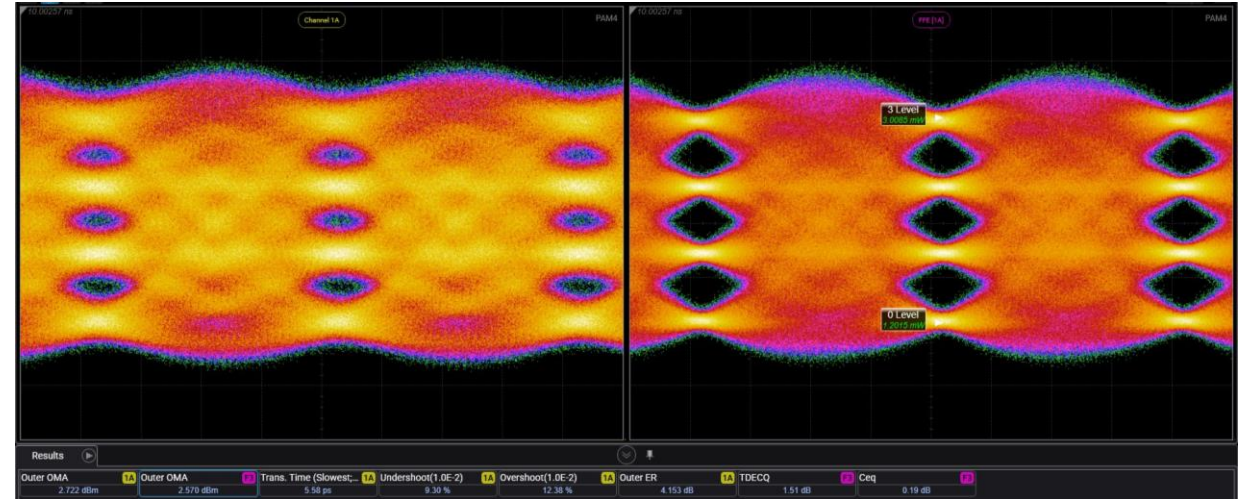
Additional Data on OMA before and after equalization

Measurement Description

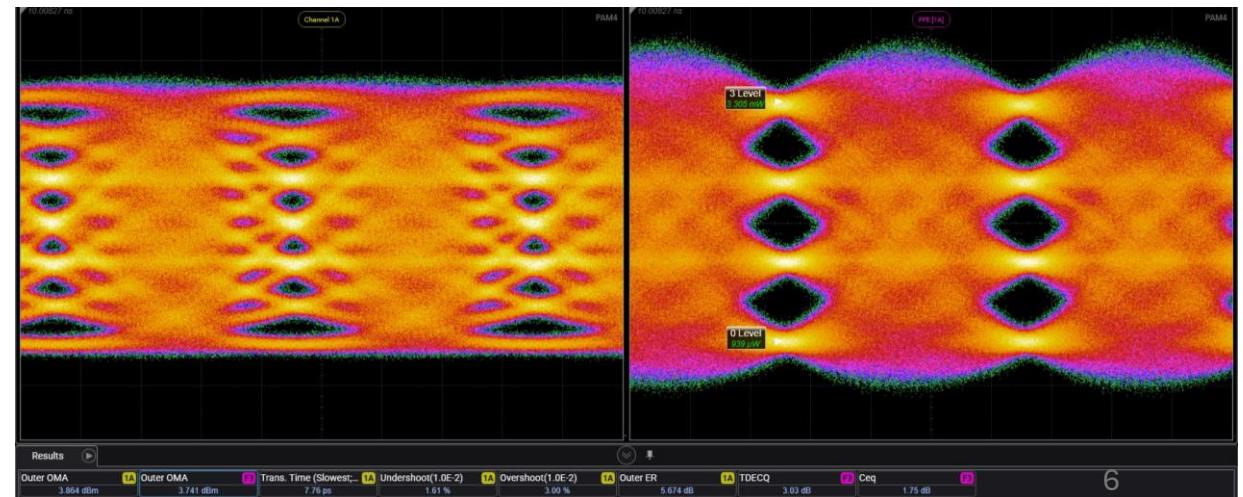
Capturing waveforms in the DCA for:

- 200G/lane SiPho-based lanes
 - Faster Tx
 - Slower Tx
- Equalization:
 - Before EQ
 - FFE only
 - 15-tap FFE+1-tap DFE (standard)
- OMA offline processing:
 - 6 UI runs: Avg of 166 sequences
 - 14 UI run for single step response

Faster Tx: Transition Time = 5.58ps, Overshoot = 12.4%

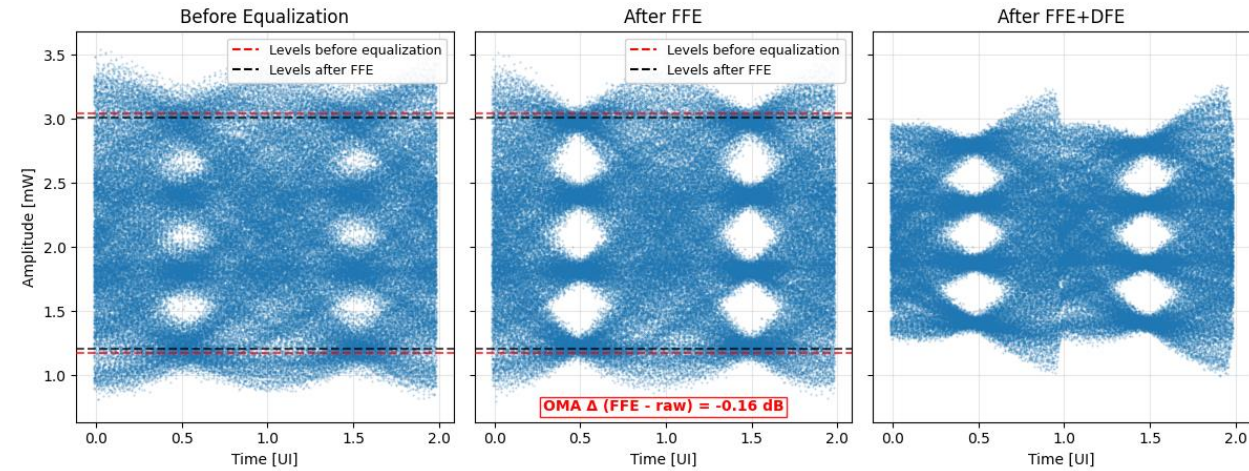
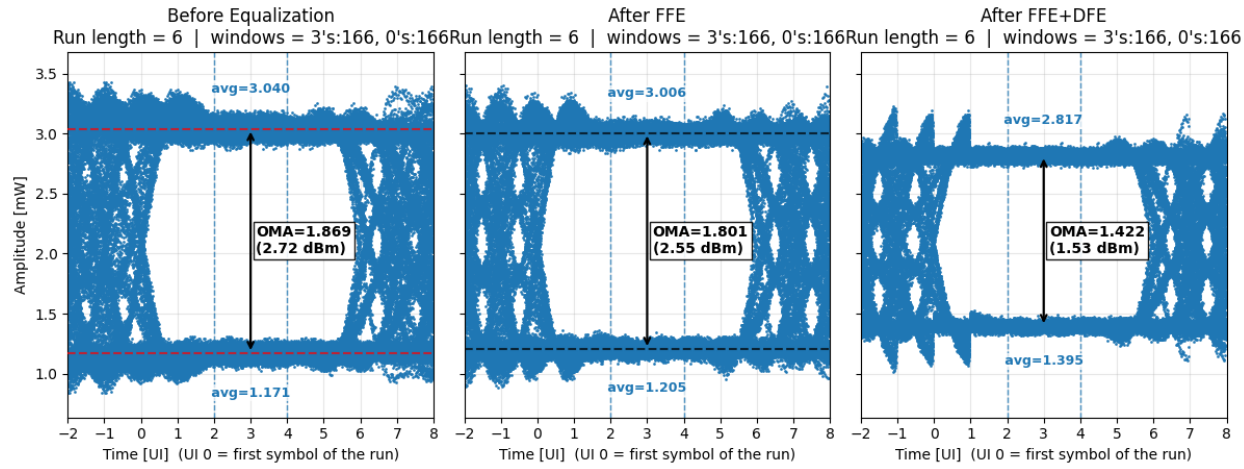


Slower Tx: Transition Time = 7.76ps, Overshoot = 3%

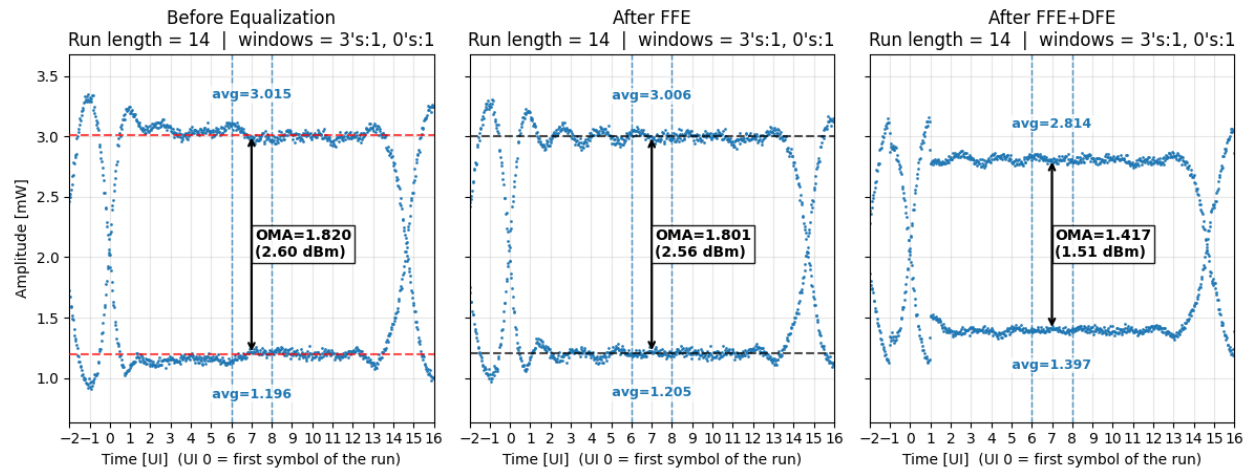


OMA comparison on Faster Tx

6 UI runs



14 UI run

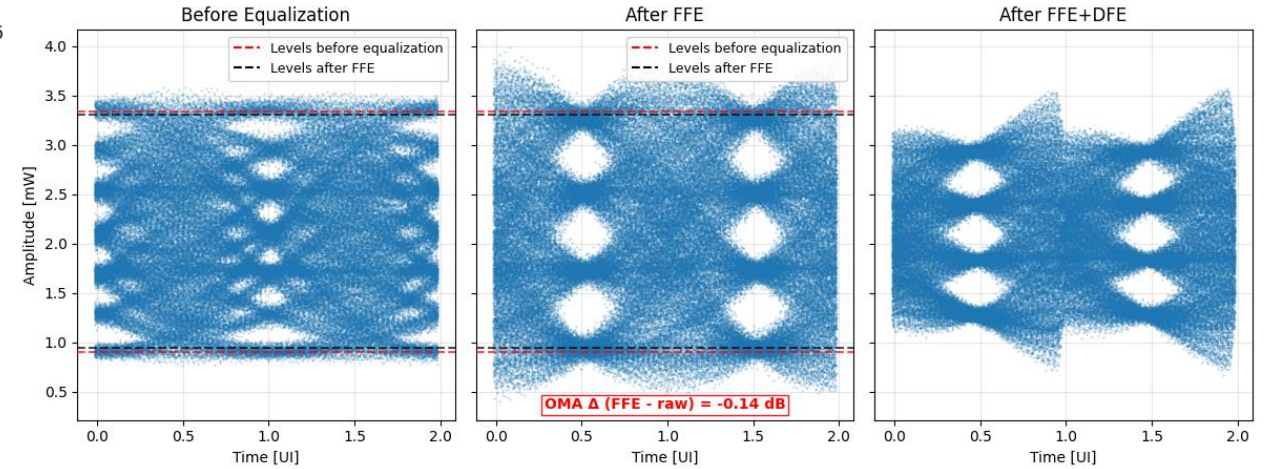
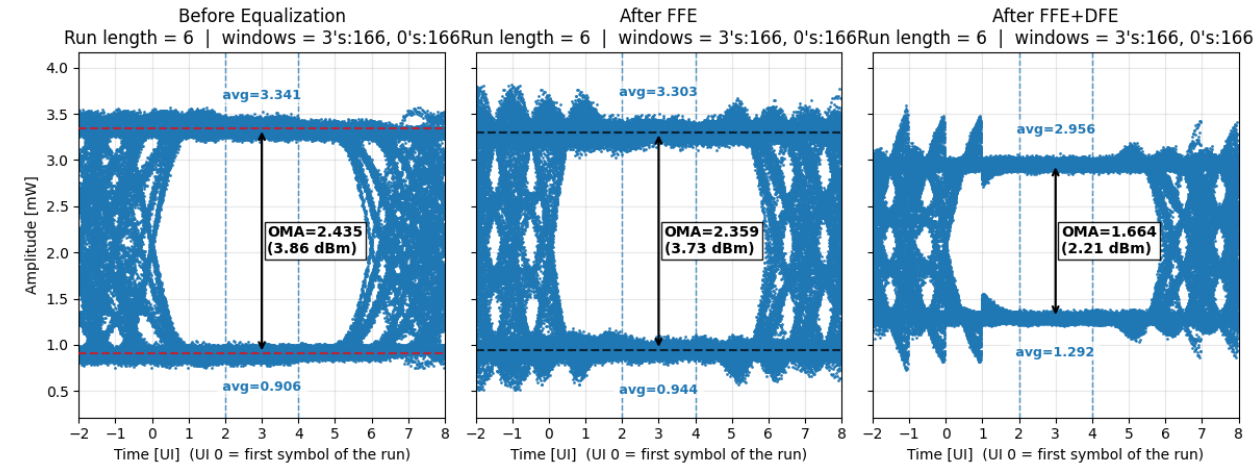


OMA (dBm)

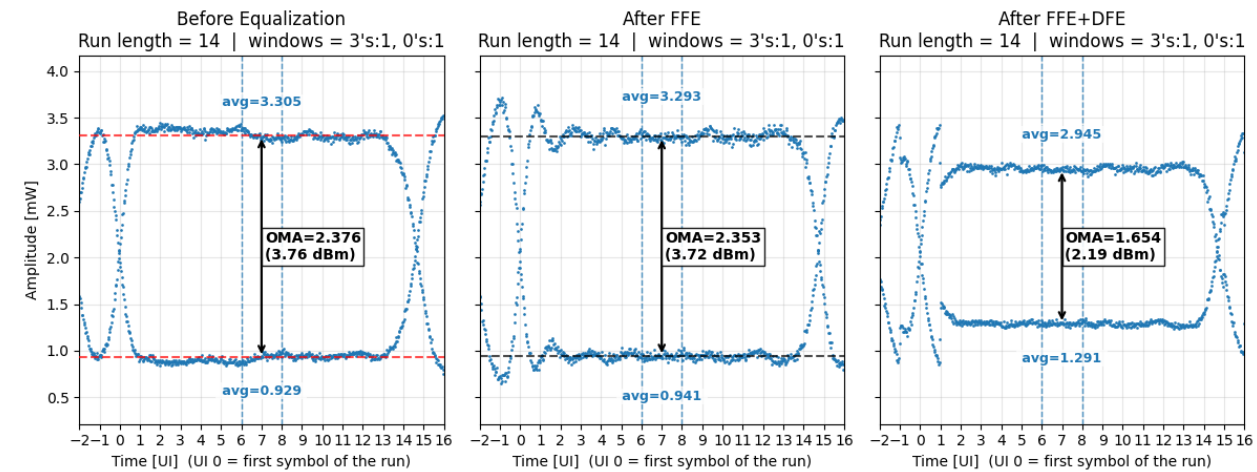
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6 UI run	2.72	2.55
14 UI run	2.60	2.56

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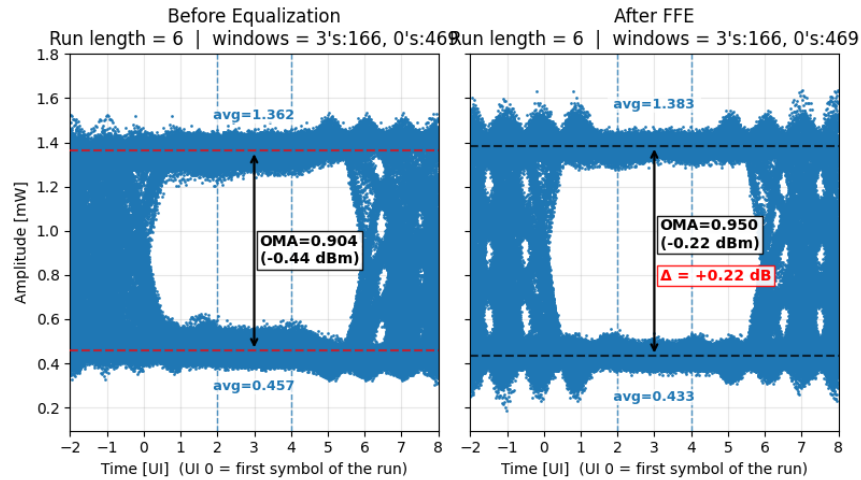
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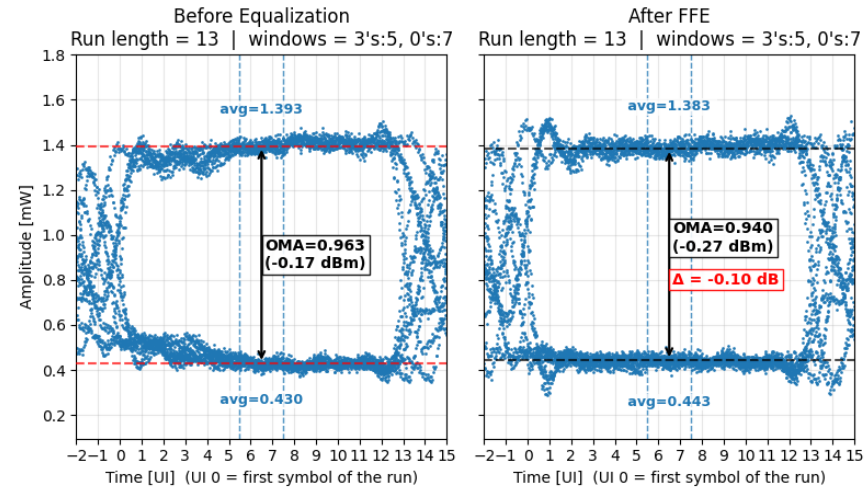
How reflections influence measured OMA

Reflections ~ 5UI

6UI run



13UI run

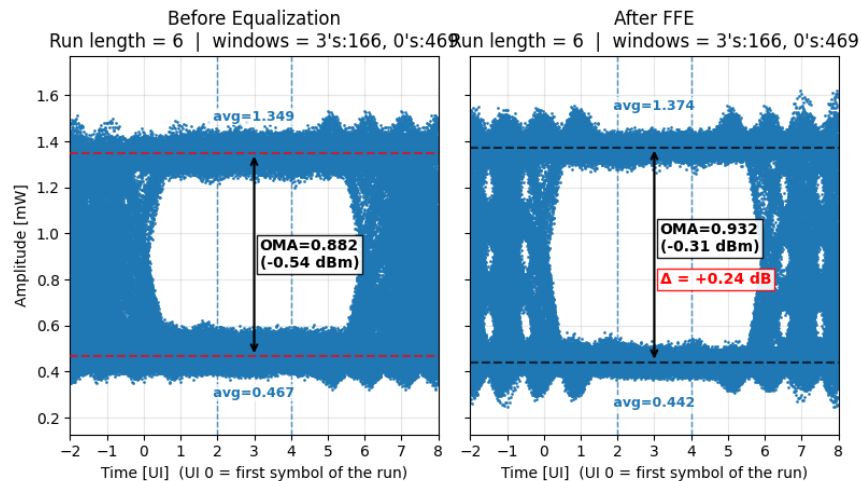


OMAs (dBm)

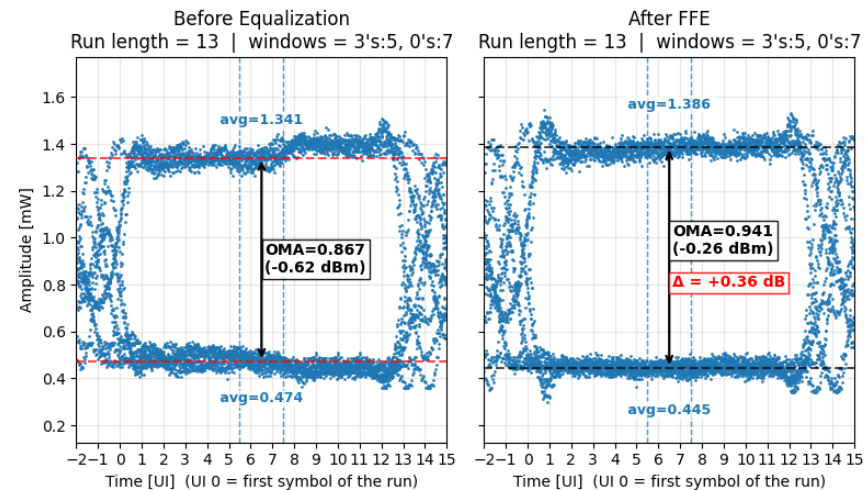
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13 UI run	-0.17	-0.27

Reflections ~ 8UI

6UI run



13UI run



OMAs (dBm)

	No EQ	FFE only
6 UI run	-0.54	-0.31
13 UI run	-0.62	-0.26