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ABSTRACT

This study aims to study the compensation of different atmospheric attenuations of eleven-channel dense-wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) over free-space optics (FSO). The channels operate over (1561.42 nm, 1559.79 nm, 1558.17 nm, 1558.55 nm, 1554.94 nm, 1553.33 nm, 1551.72 nm, 1550.12 nm, 1548.51 nm, 1546.92 nm and 1545.32 nm) wavelengths that have separated based on the traditional International Telecommunication Union (ITU) grid. The performance of an eleven-channel DWDM system is evaluated in FSO link under the clear air, haze and rain atmospheric attenuation based on low pass raised cosine electrical filter at the receiver. In the experiments, the system transmits 110 Gbit/s for FSO distances 9500 m, 3000 m and 2500 m in superbly clear air, haze and heavy haze atmospheric attenuations, respectively. Over different atmospheric attenuations, we evaluated our system performance using BER, eye diagram and the quality factor (Q-Factor).

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1. INTRODUCTION

In the last decade, a rapid increase has been seen on traffic demand due to the invention of different needs to large data downloads, such as gaming systems (Play station, Xbox, etc.). These systems require onboard storage to enable players to download software and games rather than buying in DVDs. It is expected that by 2022, the large files of graphically intense games are expected to take 4 percent of all IPs [1]. Additionally, during peak usage periods, these downloads tend to occur with gaming downloads getting up to 8 percent of heavy hour traffic. Besides, by 2022 also, the rapid growth of gaming traffic is anticipated to increase, and the gaming will be crucial in limiting the likelihood that video traffic will exceed the projected 82 percent [2]. However, different multiplexing has been developed to overcome this demand such as: 1) Orthogonal Frequency-Division Multiple Access (OFDMA); 2) Optical Code Division Multiple Access (OCDMA); 3) Wavelength Division Multiplexing (WDM); and 4) Space Division Multiplexing (SDM) [3-9]. These multiplexing methods can be worked on a different medium like optical wireless and fiber optics. FSO plays an important medium to transfer data over different atmospheric attenuations [3, 4, 6, 8].

It is well known that the FSO communication system is a growing technology, and implement as an alternate technology where internet service fails to fulfill the demands. In FSO systems, as a transmission medium, the light signal is sent from the transmitter to the receiver using the air. FSO systems have several pros, such as easy and fast deployment, license-free operation, bandwidth scalability, high transmission security, high bit rates, and full-duplex transmission, etc [10, 11]. The wireless telecommunication system of FSO utilizes a transmission medium of free space to transmit optical data at high bit rates. This study applies

DWDM for FSO that operate over (1561.42 nm, 1559.79 nm, 1558.17 nm, 1558.55 nm, 1554.94 nm, 1553.33 nm, 1551.72 nm, 1550.12 nm, 1548.51 nm, 1546.92, and 1545.32 nm) wavelength to improve the capacity. In the optical networks, DWDM technology became the main choice for fulfilling the rapidly increasing of bandwidth demands [12]. Furthermore, it has been implemented to increase the capacity of long-haul optical transport systems [13]. Researches have paid more attention to move this promising technology into the broadband access networks that serve business and residential clients [14]. Moreover, on a single optical, DWDM enables multiple signals to be transmitted simultaneously at several wavelengths and implement to increase bandwidth over the optical communication networks [15]. In this study, compensation for clear air atmospheric attenuation, haze atmospheric attenuation and rain atmospheric attenuation of eleven-channel DWDM over FSO.

The remainder of the paper is structured as follows. Section 2 presents the methodology of our systems. Section 3 evaluates the findings. Finally, Section 4 concludes this article.

2. SYSTEM MODEL

As illustrated in Figure 1, different components of we used components and the parameter of the DWDM system. The eleven-channel DWDM over FSO have separated based on the ITU grid. Briefly, the basic blocks of DWDM-FSO consist of a transmission, medium (FSO-channel), and reception. FSO requires line of sight configuration between transmitter and receiver. The transmitter side consists of eleven-channel, each channel includes data in (pseudorandom bit sequence generator at 10 Gbps (total capacity is 110 Gbps)), NRZ pulse generator, the laser and multiplexer which will multiplex eleven wavelengths. The wavelengths are as follows: (1561.42 nm, 1559.79 nm, 1558.17 nm, 1558.55 nm, 1554.94 nm, 1553.33 nm, 1551.72 nm, 1550.12 nm, 1548.51 nm, 1546.92, and 1545.32 nm). The power of the Laser power is 1 dBm. The performance of an eleven-channel DWDM system is evaluated in FSO link under the following atmospheric attenuations: 1) Haze; and 2) rain [16]. The evaluation was performed based on low pass raised cosine electrical filter at the receiver.

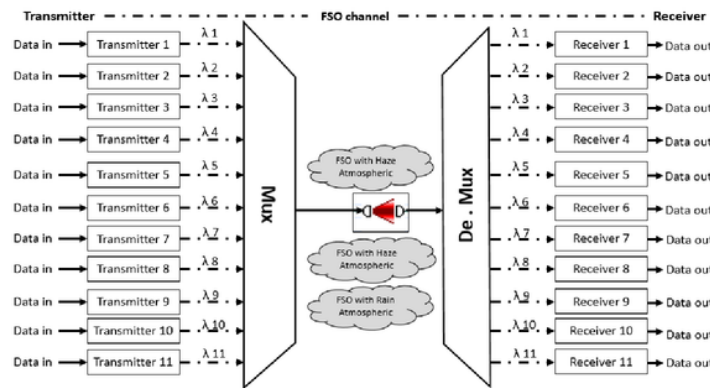


Figure 1. Optical DWDM over FSO under the effect of clear air atmospheric attenuation, haze atmospheric attenuation, and atmospheric rain attenuation

3. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

To achieve a maximum possible medium range of 11-channels, opti-system simulator software has been conducted of DWDM over FSO link under several weather conditions [17]. Table 1 summarizes the medium is based on FSO-channel that transmitted data over atmospheric attenuations. Additionally, based on atmospheric attenuation, the laser power is set to 1 dBm, and beam divergence is assigned as 1 μ rad [18]. As shown in Figure 1, after FSO, the de-multiplexer is made to retrieve the signals from the FSO. The receiver sides are comprised of eleven receivers, and the electrical filter is based on low pass raised cosine.

Table 1. Transmitted data over atmospheric attenuations

Atmospheric	Attenuation (dB-Km)
Clear air	0.43
Haze	4.2
Rain	5.8

In the experiments, the performance results of eleven channels DWDM are measured with BER, Q-Factor and eye diagram over FSO under the effect of clear air atmospheric attenuation, haze atmospheric attenuation, and rain atmospheric attenuation. In the first experiment, Figures 2 and 3 illustrate the BER, Q-Factor results of FSO under the effect of clear air atmospheric attenuation over the distances: 7500 meters, 8000 meters, 8500 meters, 9000 meters, 9500 meters and 10000 meters. Additionally, the eye diagrams of the channels are shown in Figure 4. From the findings of Figures 2-4, it is clear that FSO under the effect of clear air atmospheric attenuation based on DWDM has successfully transmitted data until the distance 9500 meters with acceptable performance for both BER and Q-Factor.

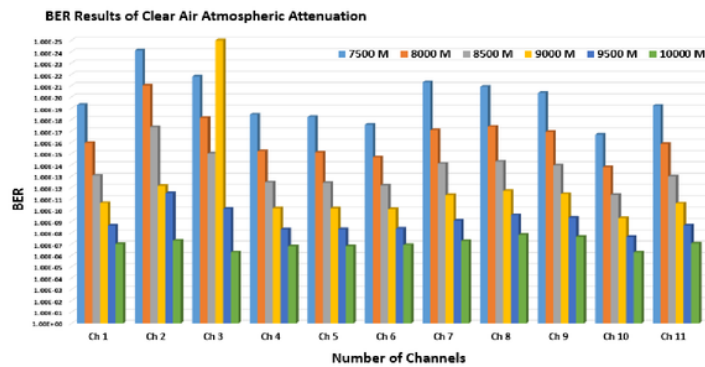


Figure 2. BER results of eleven channels DWDM-FSO under the effect of clear air atmospheric attenuation

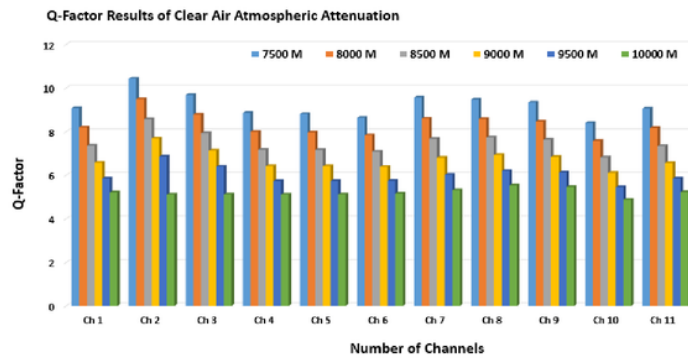


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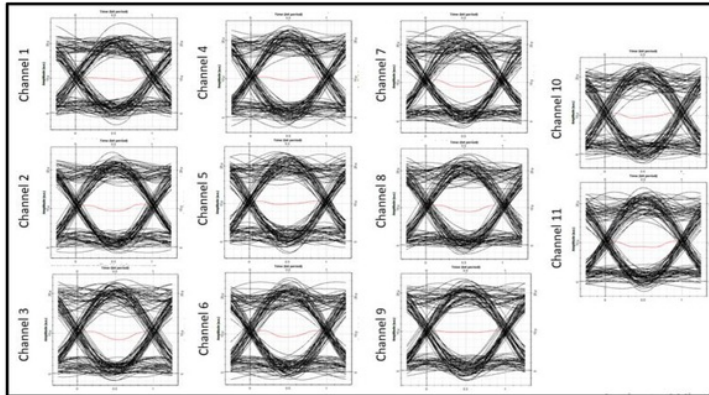


Figure 4. eye diagram results of eleven channels DWDM-FSO under the effect of clear air atmospheric attenuation

In the second experiment, Figures 5 and 6 show the BER, Q-Factor results of FSO under the effect of haze atmospheric attenuation over the distances: 1000 meters, 1500 meters, 2000 meters, 2500 meters, 3000 meters and 3500 meters. Similar to the first simulation, we evaluated the eye diagrams of the channels (see Figure 7). According to the outcomes, FSO under the effect of haze atmospheric attenuation based on DWDM has successfully transmitted data until the distance 3000 meters with acceptable performance for both BER and Q-Factor.

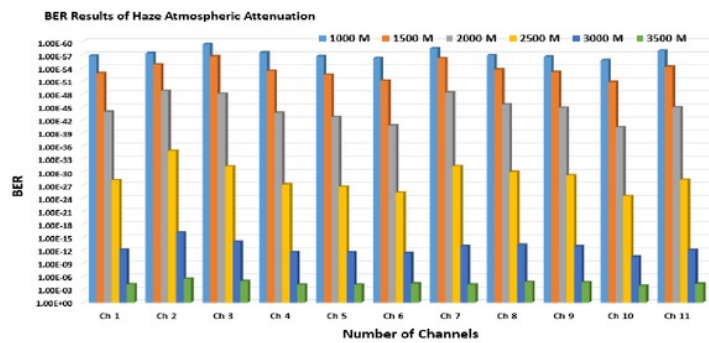


Figure 5. BER results of eleven channels DWDM-FSO under the effect of haze atmospheric attenuation

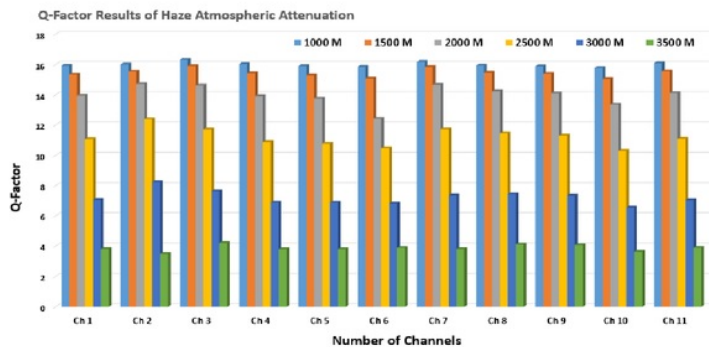


Figure 6. Q-Factor results of eleven channels DWDM-FSO under the effect of haze atmospheric attenuation

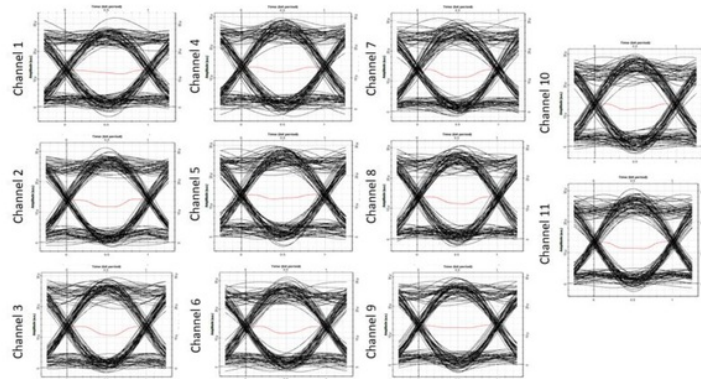


Figure 7. Eye diagram results of eleven channels DWDM-FSO the effect of haze atmospheric attenuation

In the last experiment, Figures 8 and 9 show the BER, Q-Factor results of FSO under the effect of rain atmospheric attenuation over the distances: 500 meters, 1000 meters, 1500 meters, 2500 meters and 3000 meters. Additionally, Figure 10 presents the eye diagrams of the channels. The results confirm that FSO under the effect of rain atmospheric attenuation based on DWDM has successfully transmitted data until the distance 2500 meters with a suitable performance for both BER and Q-Factor.

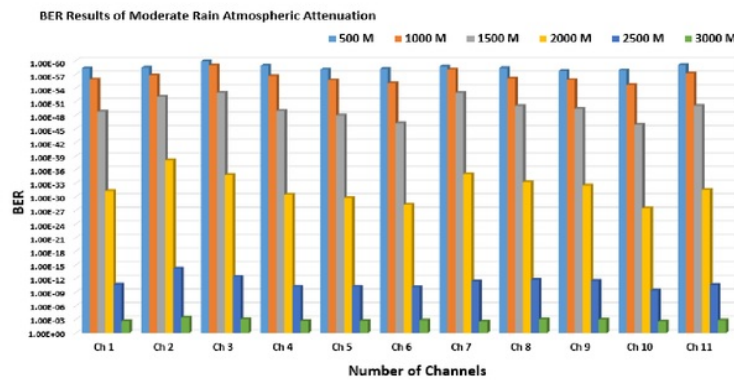


Figure 8. BER results of eleven channels DWDM-FSO under the effect of rain atmospheric attenuation

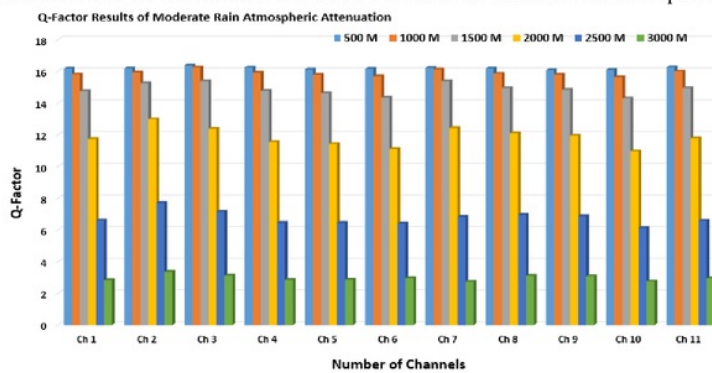


Figure 9. Q-Factor results of eleven channels DWDM-FSO under the effect of rain atmospheric attenuation

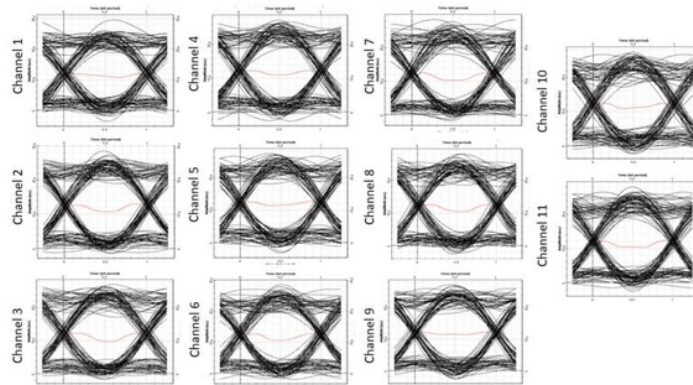


Figure 10. Eye diagram results of eleven channels DWDM-FSO under the effect of rain atmospheric attenuation

4. CONCLUSION

To overcome the capacity in optical wireless communication, we evaluated eleven-channel DWDM-FSO operated over the wavelengths 1561.42 nm, 1559.79 nm, 1558.17 nm, 1558.55 nm, 1554.94 nm, 1553.33 nm, 1551.72 nm, 1550.12 nm, 1548.51 nm, 1546.92 and 1545.32 nm. In the simulation, 110 Gbps has been transmitted over eleven channels under the effect of clear air, haze and rain atmospheric attenuations reached the distances 9500 meters, 300 meters and 2500 meters, respectively. The evaluation was based according to BER, Q-Factor, and eye-diagram.

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