



## Comparison of dispersion compensation with Fiber Braggs Grating at Transmitter and Receiver end of a single channel optical communication system

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### ABSTRACT

Optical fibers are used to transmit the light signal in optical communication system. When the light pulses propagate down the fiber, the pulses spreading takes place, and this phenomenon is called Pulse Dispersion. Dispersion is the main factor which affects the performance of fiber in optical fiber communication system. Dispersion can be compensated by many ways. Dispersion compensation by FBG (fiber bragg grating) is studied in this paper. Dispersion compensation by FBG along EDFA plays a very important role in dispersion compensation. When FBG is used after EDFA at transmitter side (before fiber) in single channel optical communication system then it gives better performance (less BER) as compared to when FBG is used after EDFA at receiver end (after fiber). In this paper performance of system is investigated by using FBG after EDFA at both transmitter side (before the fiber) and receiver side (after the fiber). For 50km BER reduces from  $1.28559 \times 10^{-11}$  (FBG after EDFA at receiver side) to  $9.57499 \times 10^{-20}$  (FBG after EDFA at transmitter side).

### Indexing terms/Keywords

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### 1.INTRODUCTION

Optical fiber is used in fiber-optic communication to transmit data in form of light pulses with higher rates over long distances as compare to other form of communication. Dispersion is the main factor which affects the performance of fiber in optical fiber communication. Dispersion compensating fiber (DCF) is a standard solution for dispersion compensation in long hall transmission system. But DCF are bulky [1] and by using these fibers nonlinear affects [2], cost of optical system [2], and insertion losses increases [4].

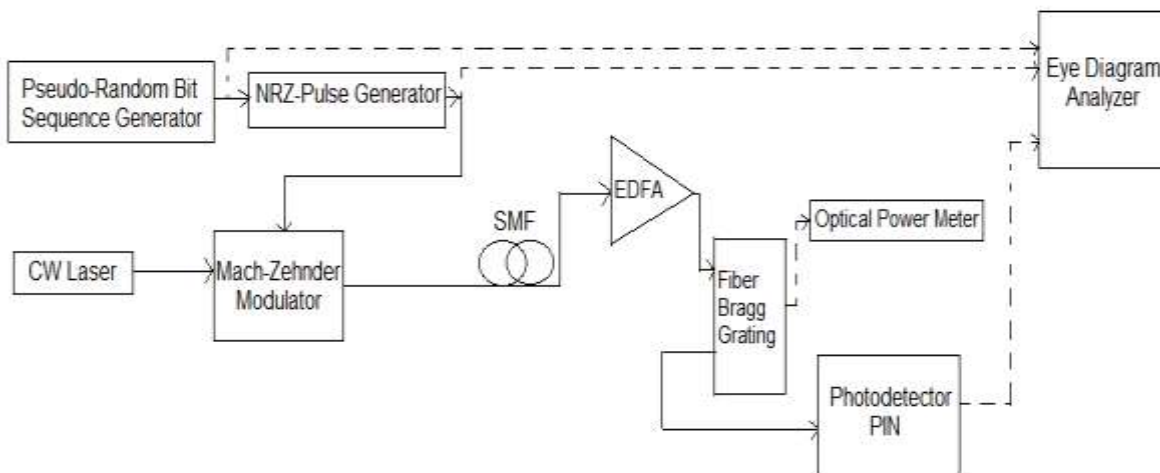
FBGs in optical communication system uses as gain flatteners [4], highly selective filters for channel selection in dense WDM systems [5], filters [6], and dispersion compensator [7]. FBGs has many advantages as compare to DCF. FBGs have low insertion loss, small size and negligible nonlinearity [8-9].

Placement of components in optical communication system plays a very important role in dispersion reduction. Thus performance of system is checked by changing the position of FBG along with EDFA (using FBG after EDFA) at transmitter end (before fiber) and receiver end (after the fiber).

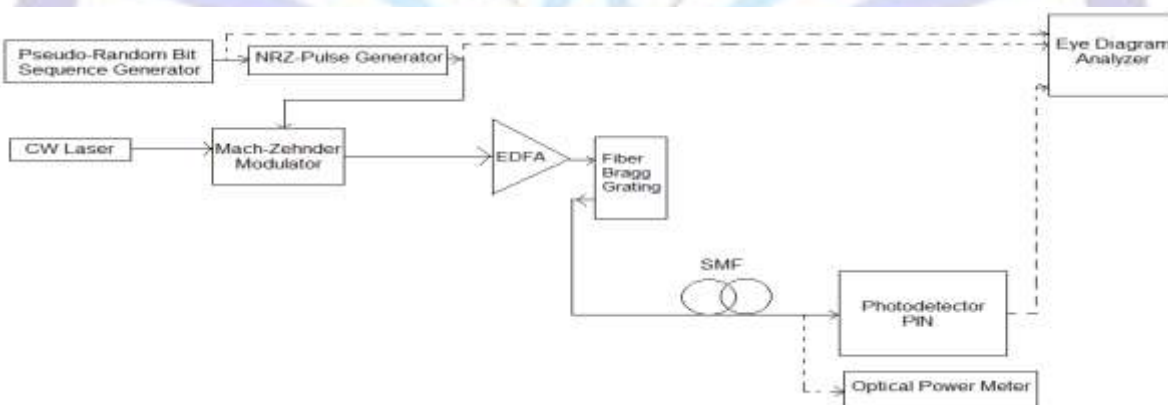
In the third section of this paper the performance (Minimum BER) of two systems (FBG before EDFA (at transmitter end before the fiber) and FBG before EDFA (at receiver end after the fiber) in the optical transmission system) is investigated by plotting the graph between input power and BER. In fourth section performance is investigated by plotting the graph between FBG length and BER for two systems.

### 2. SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

The diagrams of optical transmission system are shown in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2.



**Fig 1: FBG after EDFA (at receiver end after the fiber) in the optical transmission system.**



**Fig 2: FBG after EDFA (at transmitter end before the fiber) in the optical transmission system.**

The function of Pseudo-random bit sequence generator (generating 10 Gbps) is to scramble data signal in terms of bit rates [10]. NRZ-pulse Generator produces the electrical data signal for modulation process [11]. Continuous Wave (CW) laser is operating at frequency 193.1 THz is applied to the system and it is modulated externally with non-return-zero (NRZ) pseudorandom binary sequence in a Mach-Zehnder modulator (Mach-Zehnder has extinction ratio of 30 dB). Signal flows through single mode optical fiber. FBG is used to compensate the chromatic dispersion of optical fiber (working principle-the longer wavelengths are transmitted through the last part of grating and short wavelengths are

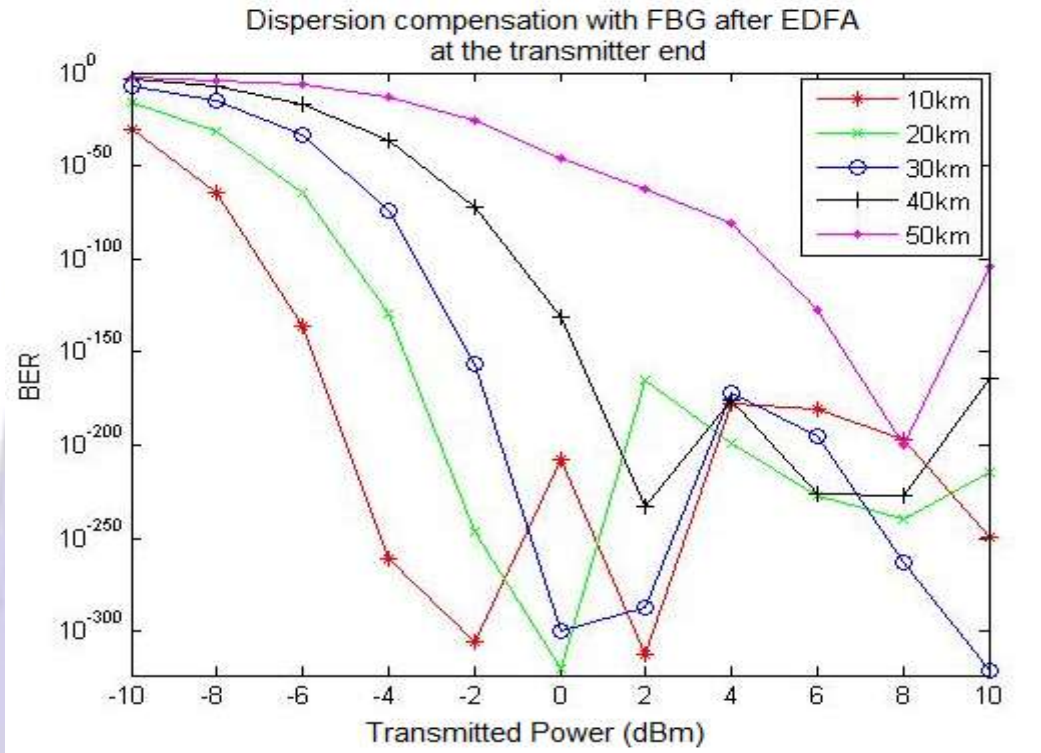


reflected by the first part of grating, due to this results longer wavelength have to travel a longer distance, so they are delayed and allowing the shorter wavelength to catch up, and dispersion gets reduced). The function of erbium-doped fiber amplifier (EDFA) is to compensate the losses in optical transmission system. Function of photodetector is detection of light (photon) at the receiver. It directly converts light into current. Optical power meter is used for checking the received signal power level. Eye Diagram Analyzer is used for checking the minimum bit error rate.

### 3. COMPARISON ON THE BASIS OF INPUT POWER VERSES BER

This section describes comparison between transmitted power with BER at different values of distances (10, 20, 30, 40, 50 Km). For 10km distance, power is varied from -10dBm to 10dBm and FBG length is also varied from 2mm to 14mm. Then minimum BER is observed and is plotted against transmitted power. The same process is repeated for other distances (20, 30, 40, 50 km).

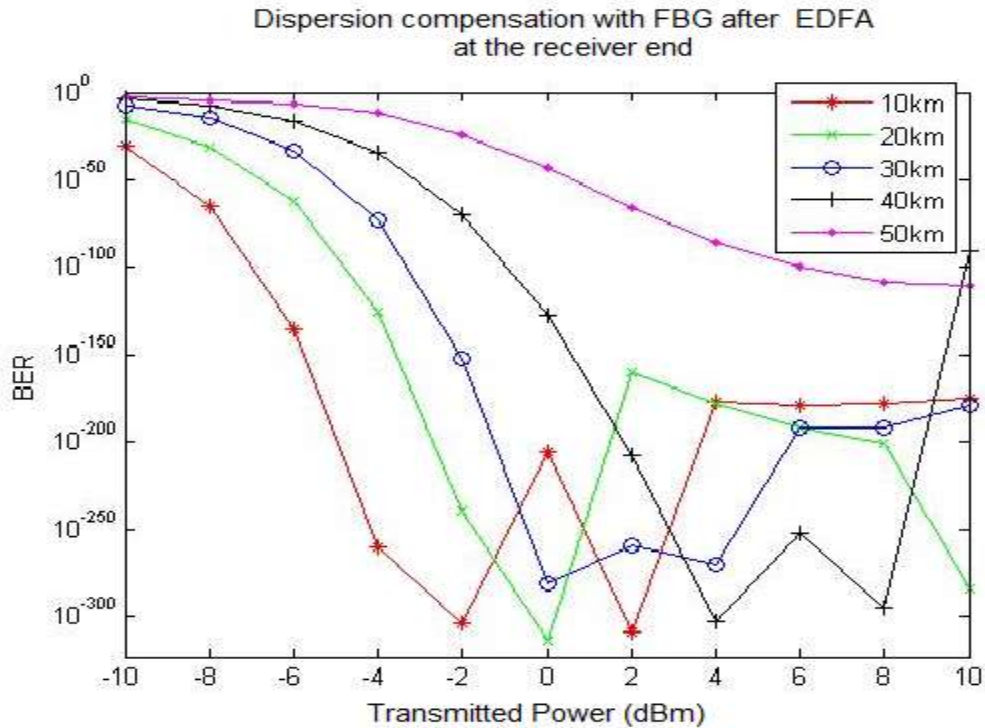
The results shows that system achieves a low BER for a particular power, then afterward it increases. Graph between input power and BER for dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end is shown in Fig. 3.



**Fig 3: Graph between input power and BER for dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end.**

For 10km minimum BER of  $2.52095 \times 10^{-313}$  is observed at 2dBm input power. For 20 km minimum BER of  $3.02516 \times 10^{-320}$  is observed at 0dBm input power. For 30km minimum BER of  $1.00295 \times 10^{-321}$  is observed at 10dBm input power. For 40km minimum BER of  $2.09258 \times 10^{-233}$  is observed at 2dBm. For 50km minimum BER of  $9.57499 \times 10^{-201}$  is observed at 8dBm.

Graph between input power and BER for dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at receiver end is shown in Fig. 4.



**Fig 4: Graph between input power and BER for dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at receiver end.**

For 10km minimum BER of 8.454e-310 is observed at 2dBm input power. For 20 km minimum BER of 1.73339e-314 is observed at 0dBm input power. For 30km minimum BER of 2.31627e-282 is observed at 0dBm input power. For 40km minimum BER of 5.59002e-304 is observed at 4dBm. For 50km minimum BER of 1.28559e-111 is observed at 10dBm.

Comparison of graphs in Fig. 5 and Fig.6 on the basis of minimum BER for particular distance is shown in table 1.

**Table 1. Comparison of graphs on the basis of minimum BER for particular distance.**

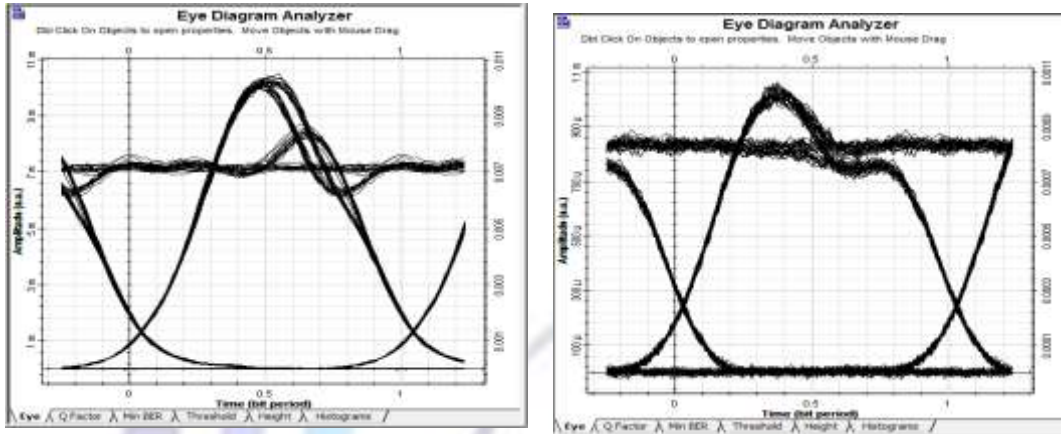
Distance (km)	Transmitted Input power (dBm) level for Dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end	Minimum BER for Dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end	Transmitted Input power (dBm) level for Dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at receiver end	Minimum BER for Dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at receiver end
10km	2dBm	2.52095e-313	2dBm	8.454e-310
20km	0dBm	3.02516e-320	0dBm	1.73339e-314
30km	10dBm	1.00295e-321	0dBm	2.31627e-282
40km	2dBm	2.09258e-233	4dBm	5.59002e-304
50km	8dBm	9.57499e-201	10dBm	1.28559e-111

After comparing the results (BER values) for the two configurations (using FBG after EDFA at transmitter end and FBG after EDFA at receiver end), it can be concluded that the optical system using FBG after EDFA at the transmitter end has a better performance (less BER) except for 40 km. Thus the placement of FBG after EDFA (by using FBG after EDFA) in optical transmission system plays an important role to reduce the BER of optical system.

### 3.1 Comparison of eye diagram

Comparison of eye diagram for 30km using dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end and using dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at receiver end is shown in figures below. Fig 5.1 (Eye diagram using dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end system) and Fig 5.2 (Eye diagram using dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at receiver end system) for 10 km.

1) For 30 km



**Fig 5.1: Eye diagram using dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end system.** **Fig 5.2: Eye diagram using dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at receiver end system.**

From comparison it can be seen that signal on Eye diagram using dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end system is much clear (with Eye Height 0.00660574) than eye diagram using dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end system (with Eye Height 0.000755223).

### 3.2 Comparison of Q-factor

Comparison of Q-factor of system using dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at the transmitter end and system using dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at the at receiver end is shown in Table 2 below.

**Table 2. Comparison of Q-factor.**

Distance (km)	Q-factor when dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end	Q-factor when dispersion compensation with FBG and EDFA at receiver end
10km	37.8183	37.6031
20km	38.2377	37.8897
30km	38.3283	35.887
40km	32.5971	37.2443
50km	30.2026	22.416

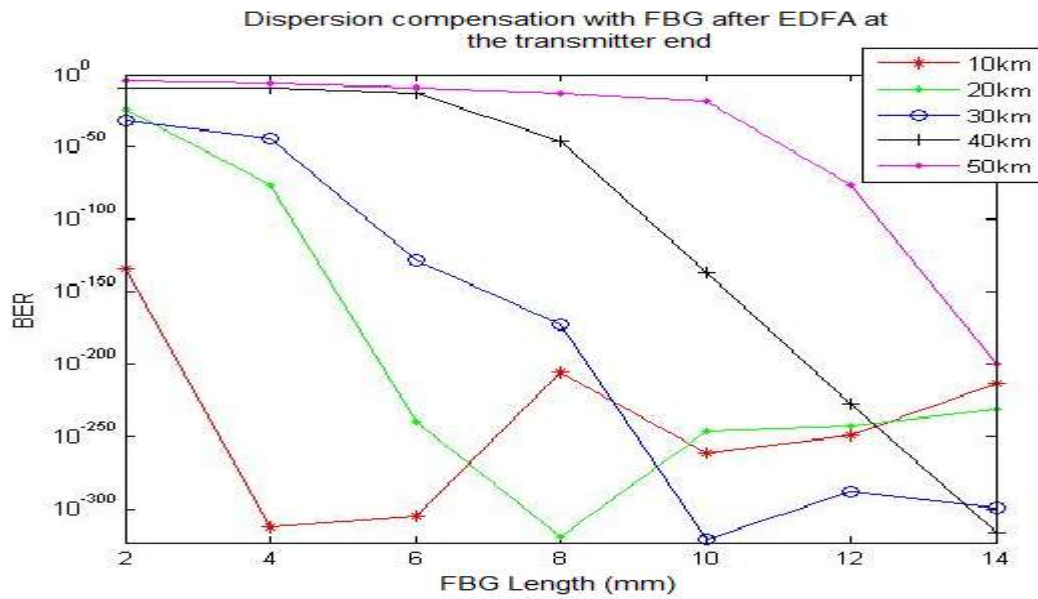
From the comparison of Q-factor it is observed that system using FBG after EDFA at the transmitter gives a better performance for all distances (10, 20, 30, 50km), except for 40km.

### 4. COMPARISON ON THE BASIS OF FBG LENGTH AND BER

In this section performance is described by the comparison between FBG length with BER at different values of distances (10, 20, 30, 40, 50 km). The performance is investigated by varying the Input power of optical system is from -10 to 10 dBm and BER is observed by using BER analyser. Then resulting minimum BER (observed (available) at different input power level) obtained from BER analyser is plotted against FBG length.

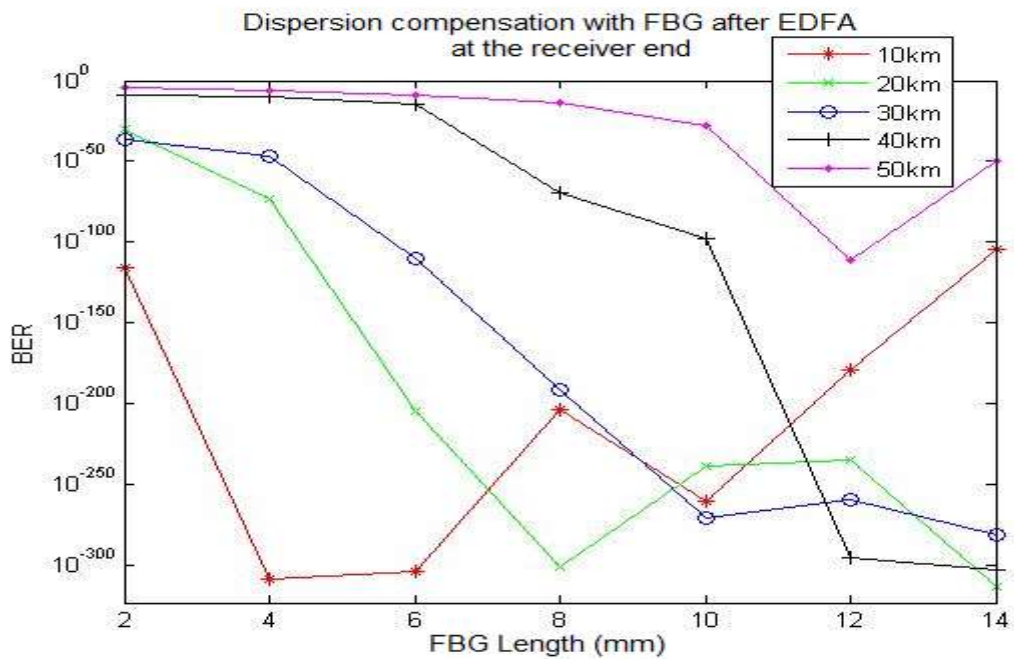
From the graph in Fig. 6 and Fig. 7 it can be seen that system achieves a low BER for a particular FBG length, and then afterward it increases. FBG length plays an important role in decreasing the BER. The results show that system achieves a low BER for a particular FBG length, and then afterward it increases.

Graph between FBG length and BER for dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end is shown in Fig. 6.



**Fig 6: Graph between FBG length and BER for dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end.**

Graph between FBG length and BER for dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at receiver end is shown in Fig. 7.



**Fig 7: Graph between FBG length and BER for dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at receiver end.**

Comparison of graphs in Fig. 5, Fig. 6 on the basis of minimum BER for particular distance is shown in Table 3.

**Table 3. Comparison of on the basis of minimum BER for particular distance.**

Distance (km)	Optimum FBG Length (mm) for Dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end	Minimum BER for Dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at transmitter end	Optimum FBG Length (mm) for Dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at receiver end	Minimum BER for Dispersion compensation with FBG after EDFA at receiver end
10km	4mm	2.52095e-313	4mm	8.454e-310



20km	8mm	3.02516e-320	14mm	1.73339e-314
30km	10mm	1.00295e-321	14mm	2.31627e-282
40km	14mm	1.18248e-316	14mm	5.59002e-304
50km	14mm	9.57499e-201	12mm	1.28559e-111

From the table, it is clear that the optical system using FBG after EDFA at the transmitter end achieves less BER as compare to optical system using FBG after EDFA at the receiver end. Thus the placement of FBG after EDFA along with proper selection of FBG length in optical transmission system plays an important role to reduce the BER of optical system.

If we use FBG before EDFA then at the output with increase in input power BER increases (because of fiber losses and ASE noise produced by EDFA during the amplification of signal). And if FBG used after EDFA then FBG suppresses the ASE noise (produced by EDFA during amplification of signal) and this results less BER at the reception of signal. Therefore it is better to use FBG after the EDFA to reduce EDFA in single channel optical communication system.

## 5. CONCLUSION

The positioning of the FBG along with EDFA at transmitter end (before fiber) end and receiver end (after fiber) plays an important role in improvement of the optical systems performance. When FBG is used at transmitter side after the EDFA for dispersion compensation, it gives better performance (minimum BER) as compare to when used for compensation at receiver side (after fiber). For 10km BER reduces from 8.454e-310 to 2.52095e-313 with input power 2dB, for 20km BER reduces from 1.73339e-314 to 3.02516e-320 with input power 0dB, for 30km BER reduces from 2.31627e-282 to 1.00295e-321 with input power 10 dB, for 50 km bit error reduces from 1.28559e-111 to 9.57499e-201. Only for 40km BER increases from 5.59002e-304 to 2.09258e-233. The optimum FBG lengths (to get minimum BER) are 4, 8, 10, 14, 14mm for 10, 20, 30, 40, 50km respectively.

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