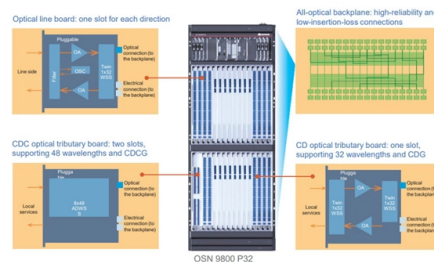


1x16 Optical Splitter Loss



Article Overview

A typical 1:16 optical splitter has an insertion loss of approximately 13–14 dB, including both splitting and excess loss.

Understanding Insertion Loss

Insertion loss in an optical splitter measures how much signal power is reduced when the input light is divided among multiple output ports. It includes:

- **Splitting loss:** The theoretical loss due to dividing the input power equally among 16 outputs, calculated as $-10 \times \log_{10}(1/16) \approx 12$ dB.
- **Excess loss:** Additional loss caused by imperfections in the splitter, such as core misalignment, splicing, or internal waveguide inefficiencies, typically ranging from 0.5 to 2 dB for PLC splitters. The total insertion loss for a 1:16 splitter is therefore roughly 12 dB (ideal split) plus 1–2 dB of excess loss, giving 13–14 dB per output port.

Factors Affecting Loss

- **Splitter Type:** PLC (Planar Lightwave Circuit) splitters generally have lower and more uniform loss compared to FBT (Fused Biconical Taper) splitters at high split ratios.
- **Wavelength:** Loss can vary slightly depending on the operating wavelength, commonly 1310 nm or 1550 nm.
- **Connector and Fiber Quality:** Poor connector alignment or damaged fiber can increase excess loss.
- **Environmental Conditions:** Temperature fluctuations and mechanical stress can sli...

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