

Indoor Spectrum Splitter Attenuation



AI Overview

Indoor optical splitters introduce attenuation that depends on splitter type, number of outputs, and wavelength, typically ranging from 3 dB for a 1:2 split to over 20 dB for higher-order splits.

Overview of Splitter Attenuation

Optical splitters are devices that divide a single optical signal into multiple outputs. Attenuation, or insertion loss, occurs because some of the signal energy is inevitably lost during splitting due to reflection, absorption, and scattering within the splitter material or at connections.

The amount of attenuation depends on:

- Splitter type:** Fused Biconical Taper (FBT) splitters are inexpensive and easy to produce but have higher insertion loss and temperature sensitivity. Planar Lightwave Circuit (PLC) splitters offer better wavelength uniformity and lower loss, especially for high split ratios.
- Number of outputs:** The more outputs a splitter has, the higher the attenuation per output. For example, a 1:2 splitter typically has ~3.5 dB loss, while a 1:32 splitter can exceed 17 dB.
- Wavelength and spectral range:** Some splitters are optimized for specific wavelength ranges (e.g., 1260–1650 nm for PLC splitters). Broadband splitters may introduce slight spectral-dependent attenuation, which can affect systems sensitive to wavelength variations.

Typical Attenuation Values

Indoor splitters used in Passive Optical Networks (PON) or laboratory setups generally exhibit the following approximate insertion losses:

- 1:2 split: 3–4 dB
- 1:4 split: 6–7 dB
- 1:8 split: 9–10 dB
- 1:16 split: 13–14 dB
- 1:32 split: 17–18 dB

These values include the intrinsic splitter loss but do not account for additional connector or splice losses, which can add 0.2–0.5 dB per connection.

Factors Affecting Indoor Splitter Performance

- Temperature:** FBT splitters are more sensitive to temperature changes, which can slightly alter attenuation. PLC splitters are more stable over a wider temperature range.
- Polarization:** Polarizing beam splitters can introduce different attenuation for different polarization states, which may be relevant in precision optical experiments.
- Power handling:** High-power...

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