

# PDV/MPDV APPS

## Modeling Tools to Predict System Performance for Design and Experimentation

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# Purpose: To predict system performance

## What do we mean by system performance?

- **Sensitivity** ... Do we have enough optical (return) signal to see anything on the spectrogram (i.e., are we above the noise floor)?
- **Signal-to-noise ratio** ... How far above the noise floor is the anticipated optical signal?

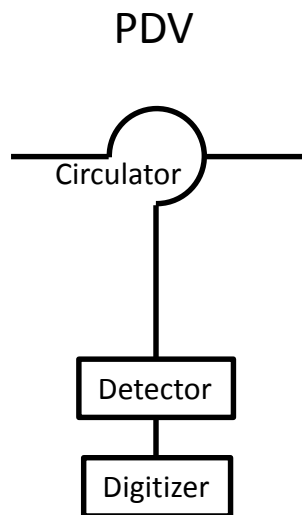
## What can we apply this to?

1. **Fielding**. Given a PDV/MPDV system deployed to an experiment, the experimenter would like to know what kind of signal levels they can expect. → **SHOT APP**
2. **Design**. Design an MPDV system to your needs. → **DESIGN APP**



# Architecture – progression of PDV to MPDV

Basic geometry and components that determine performance

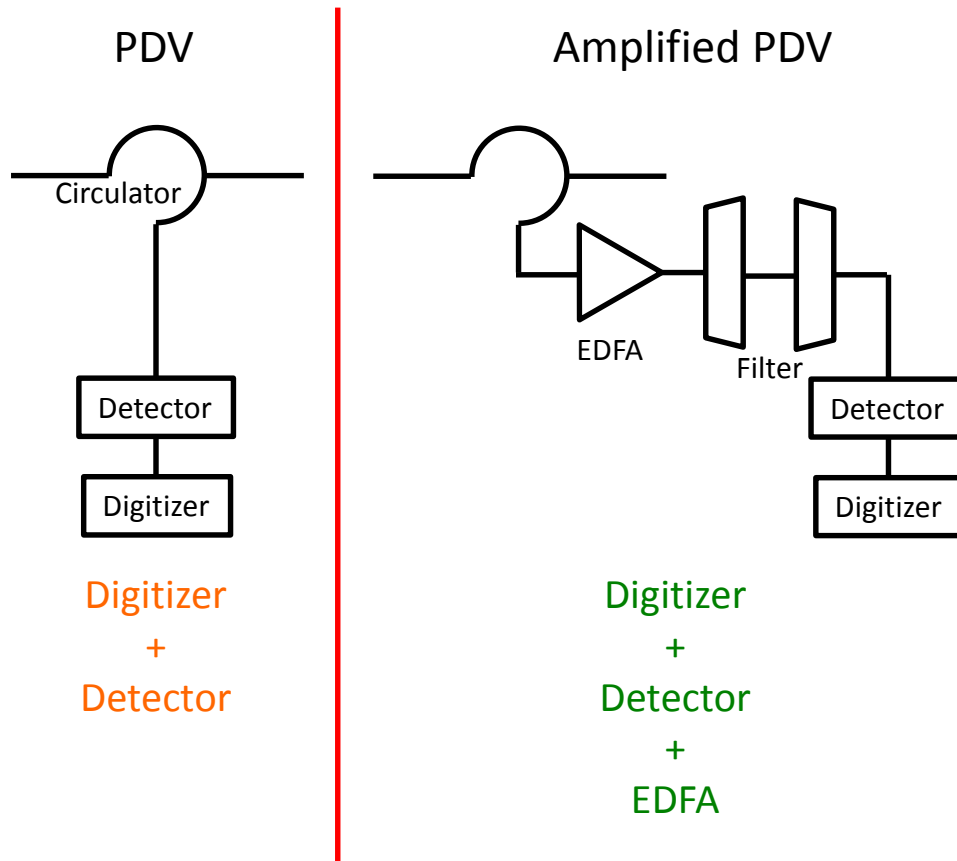


Digitizer  
+  
Detector



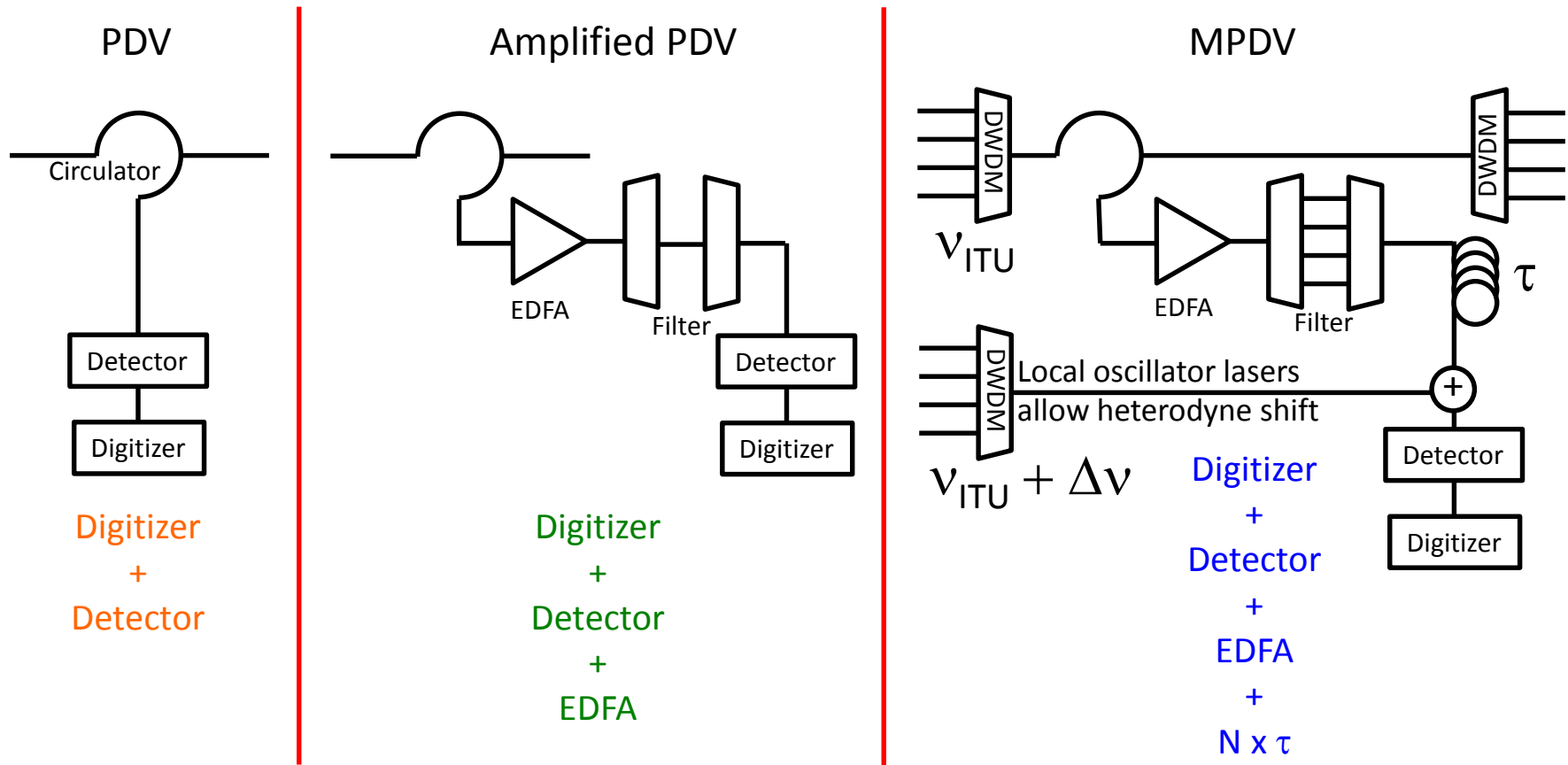
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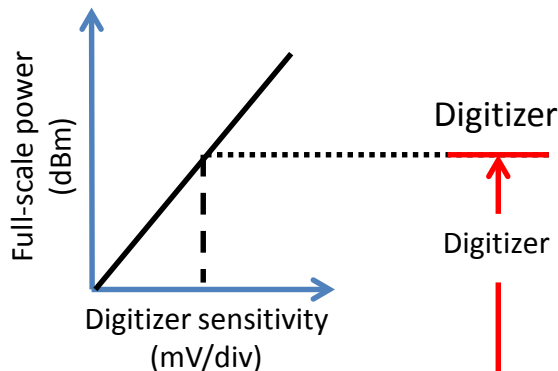
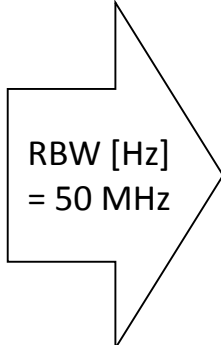
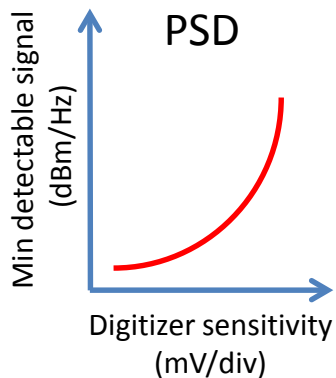


# Dynamic Range: Scope

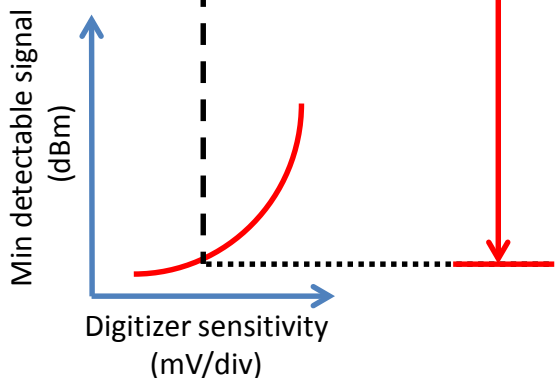
Definition of dynamic range:

Full-scale power [dBm] minus minimum detectable signal [dBm]

For 'minimum detectable signal' at the digitizer, we need to measure PSD[dBm/Hz] and then convert to P[dBm] using the RBW[Hz]. We show 50 MHz as a typical value.



FULL SCALE

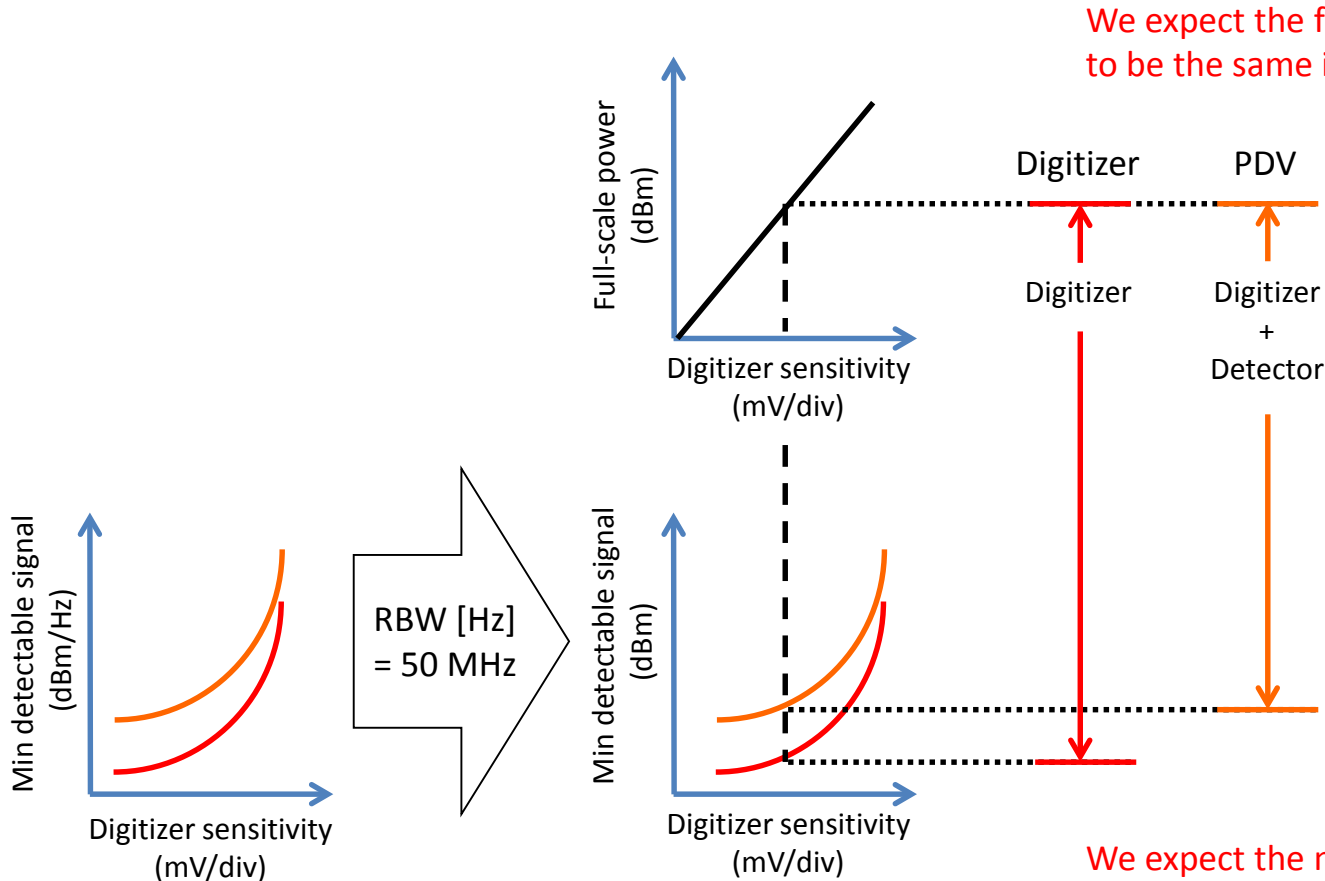


NOISE FLOOR

PSD = Power Spectral Density (dBm/Hz)



# Dynamic Range: Scope & Photodetector



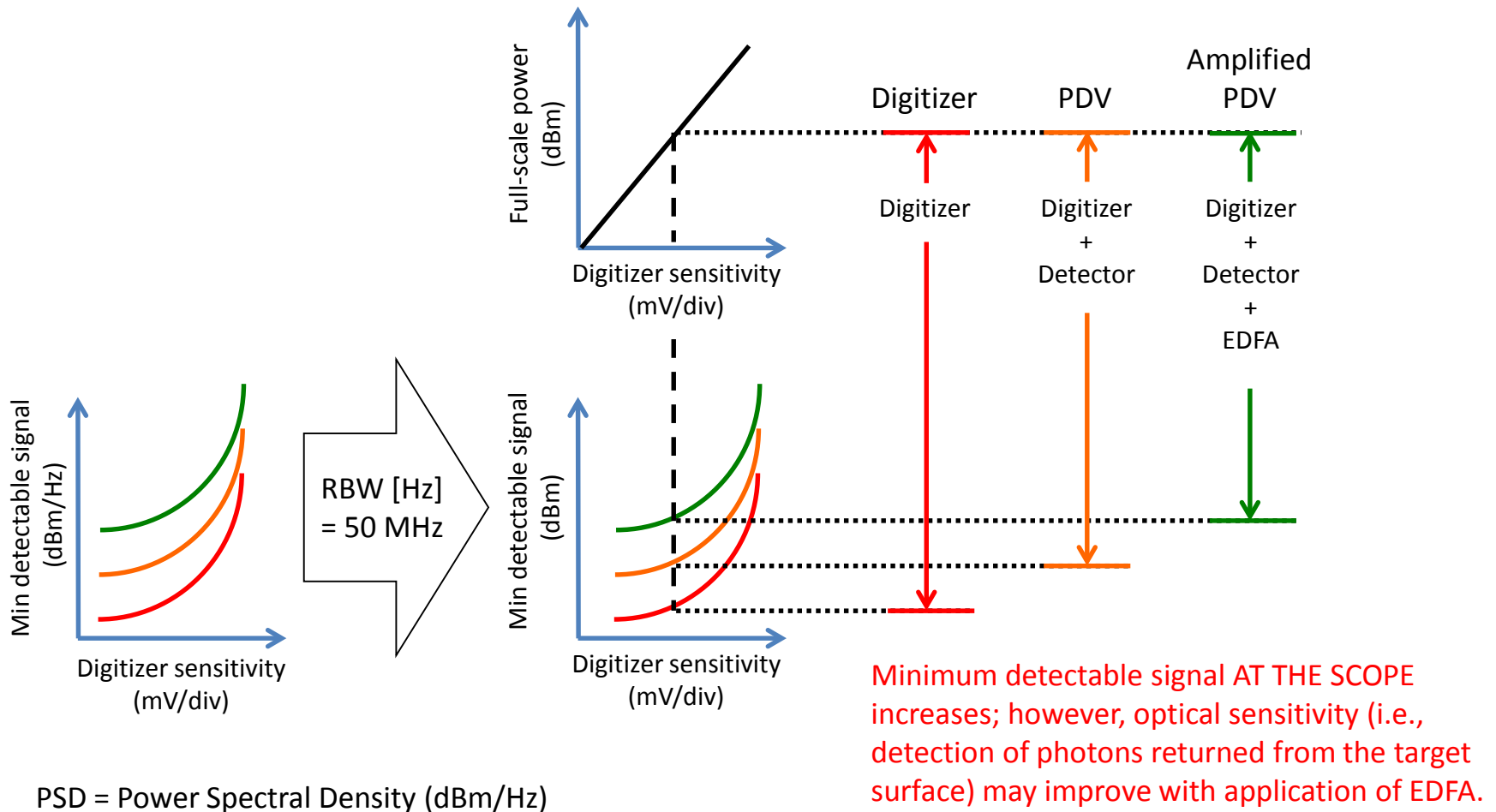
We expect the full-scale power to be the same in most cases.

We expect the noise floor and minimum detectable signal to vary depending on the PSDs of components in the system.

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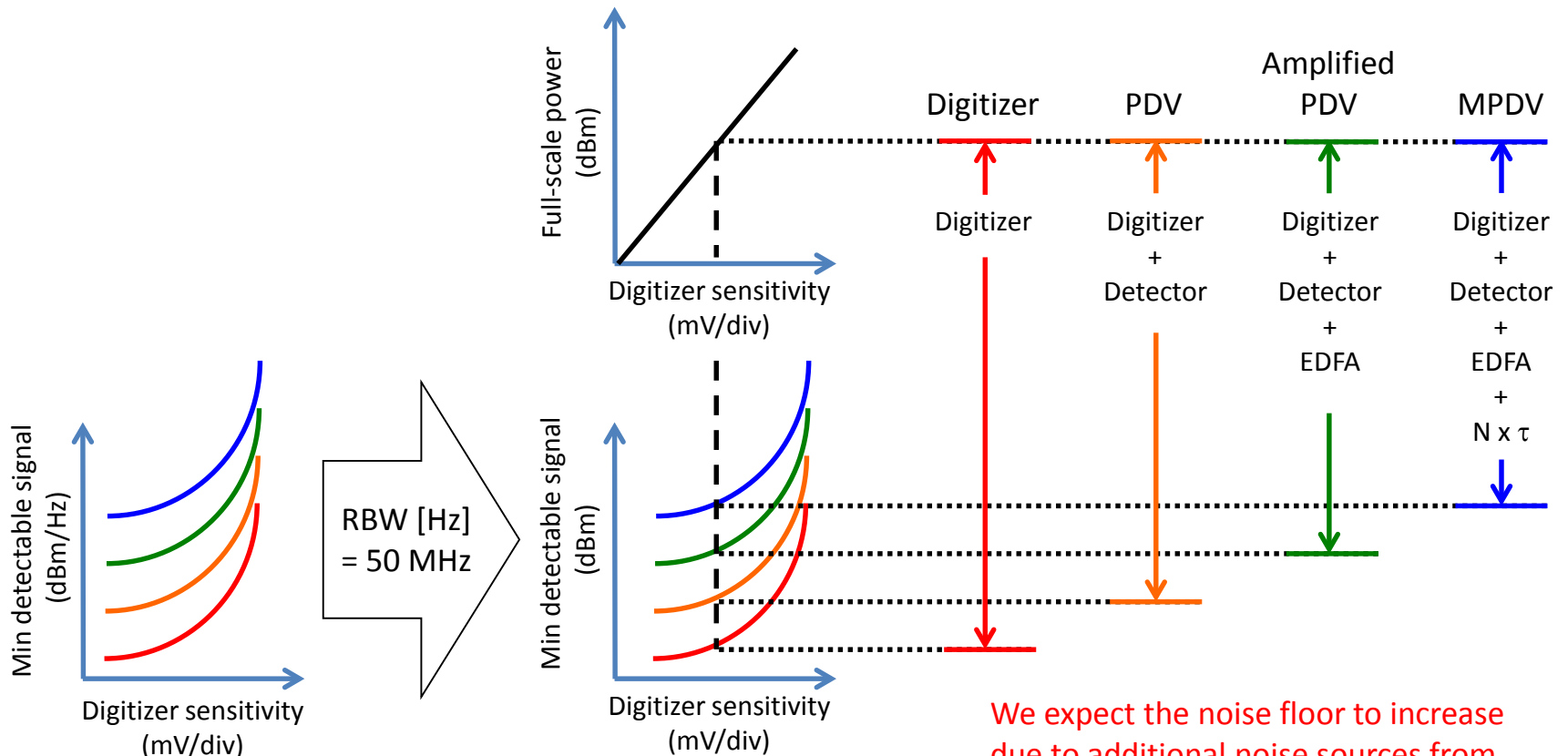


# Dynamic Range: Scope, Detector & EDFA





# Dynamic Range: Scope, Detector, EDFA & Multiplexing



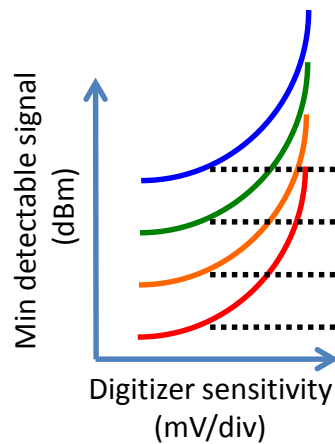
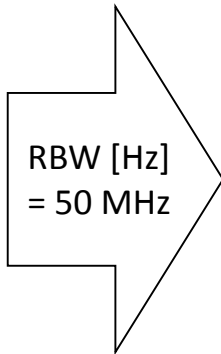
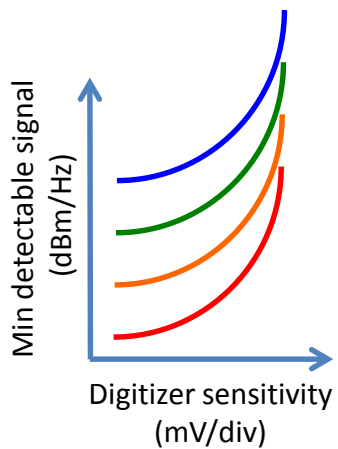
PSD = Power Spectral Density (dBm/Hz)

RBW [Hz] = 50 MHz

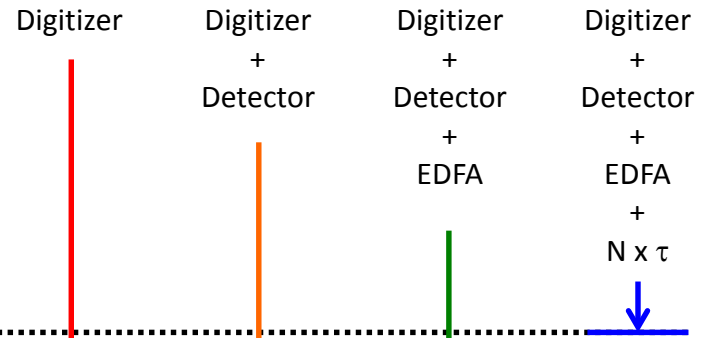


# Today let's look at *Sensitivity*: the Pmin APP

*What is the minimum optical power ( $P_{min}$ ) necessary to detect a signal, that is  $SNR = 1$  ?*



## Calculate the Noise Floor

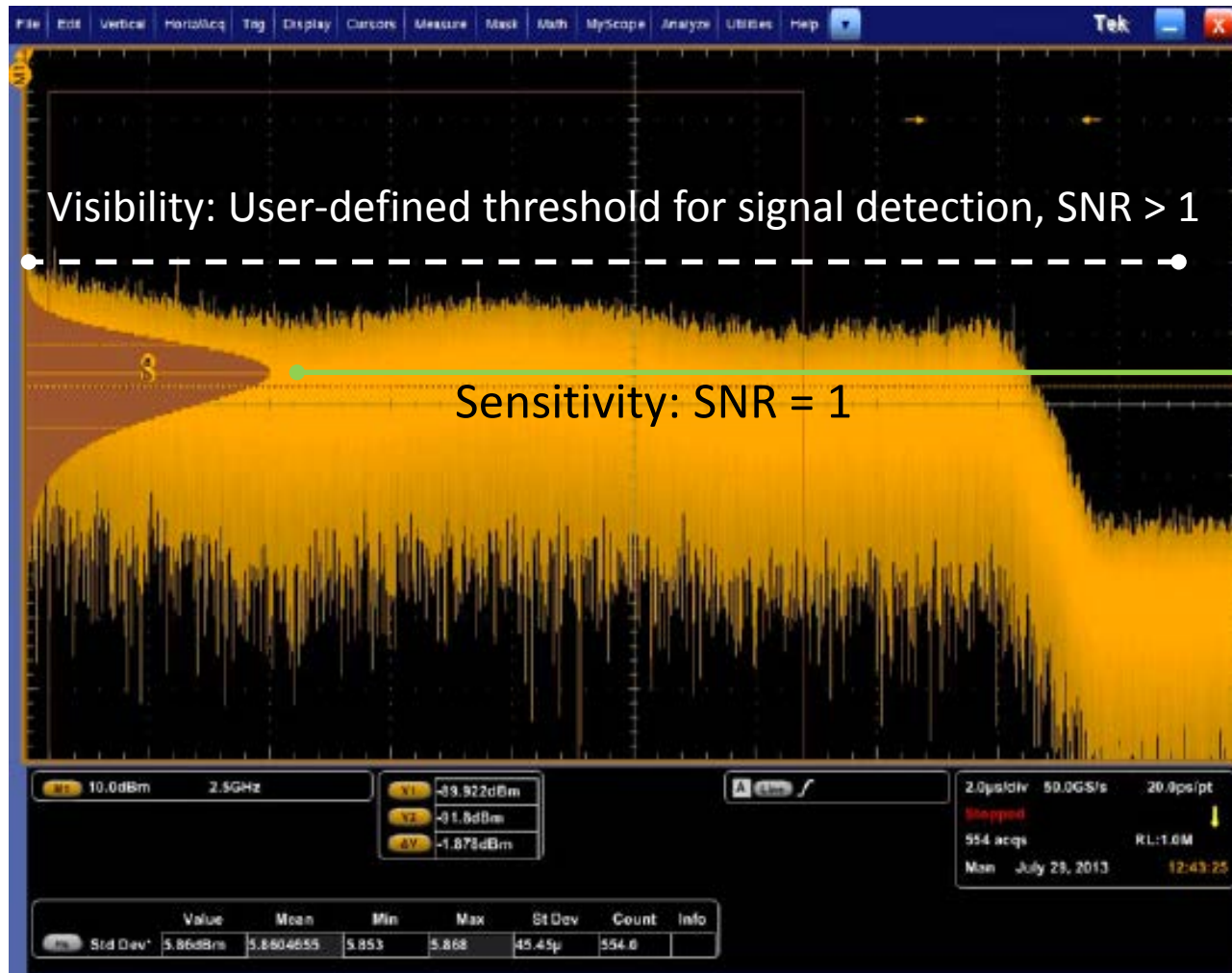


We expect the noise floor to increase due to additional noise sources from MPDV multiplexing; LocOsc – ASE noise will typically dominate.

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# Let's define Sensitivity and Visibility

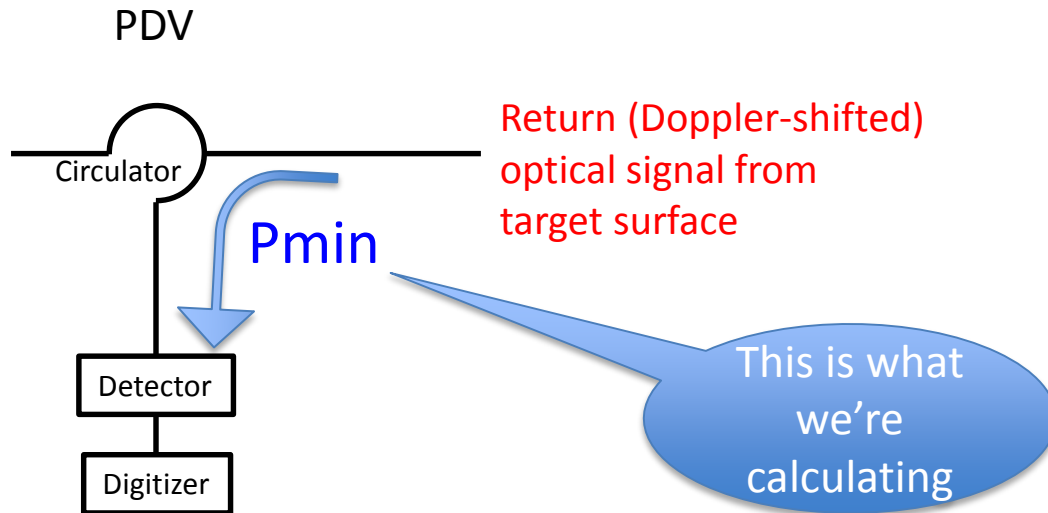


FFT Amplitude vs. Frequency



# Inputs for Pmin APP

Pmin = minimum optical power reflected from the target surface (returning to the PDV/MPDV) necessary for SNR = 1. **THIS IS WHAT IS CALCULATED!**

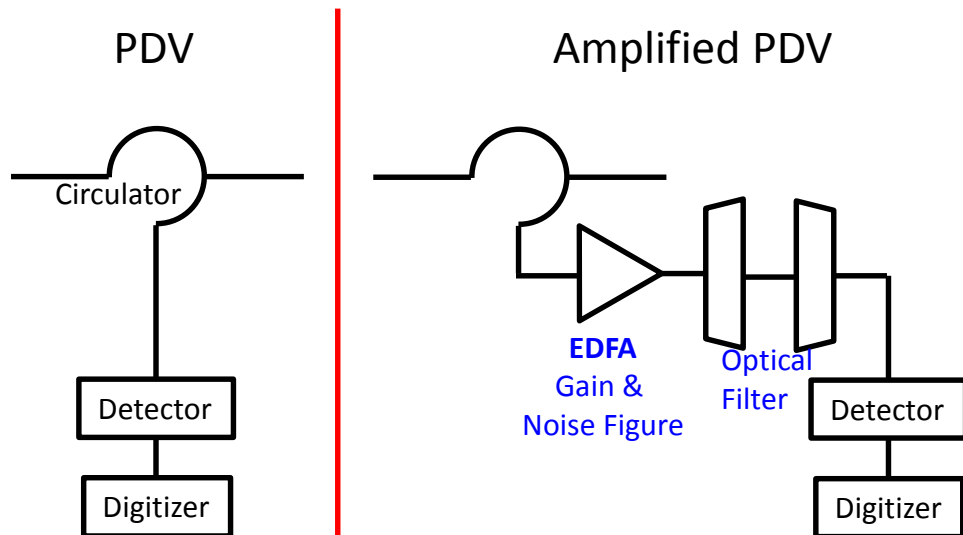


INPUTS  
Detector & Digitizer:  
noise floor PSDs, range  
responsivity, bandwidths,  
and sample rate



# Inputs for Pmin APP

**CALCULATE: Pmin = minimum optical power for SNR = 1**

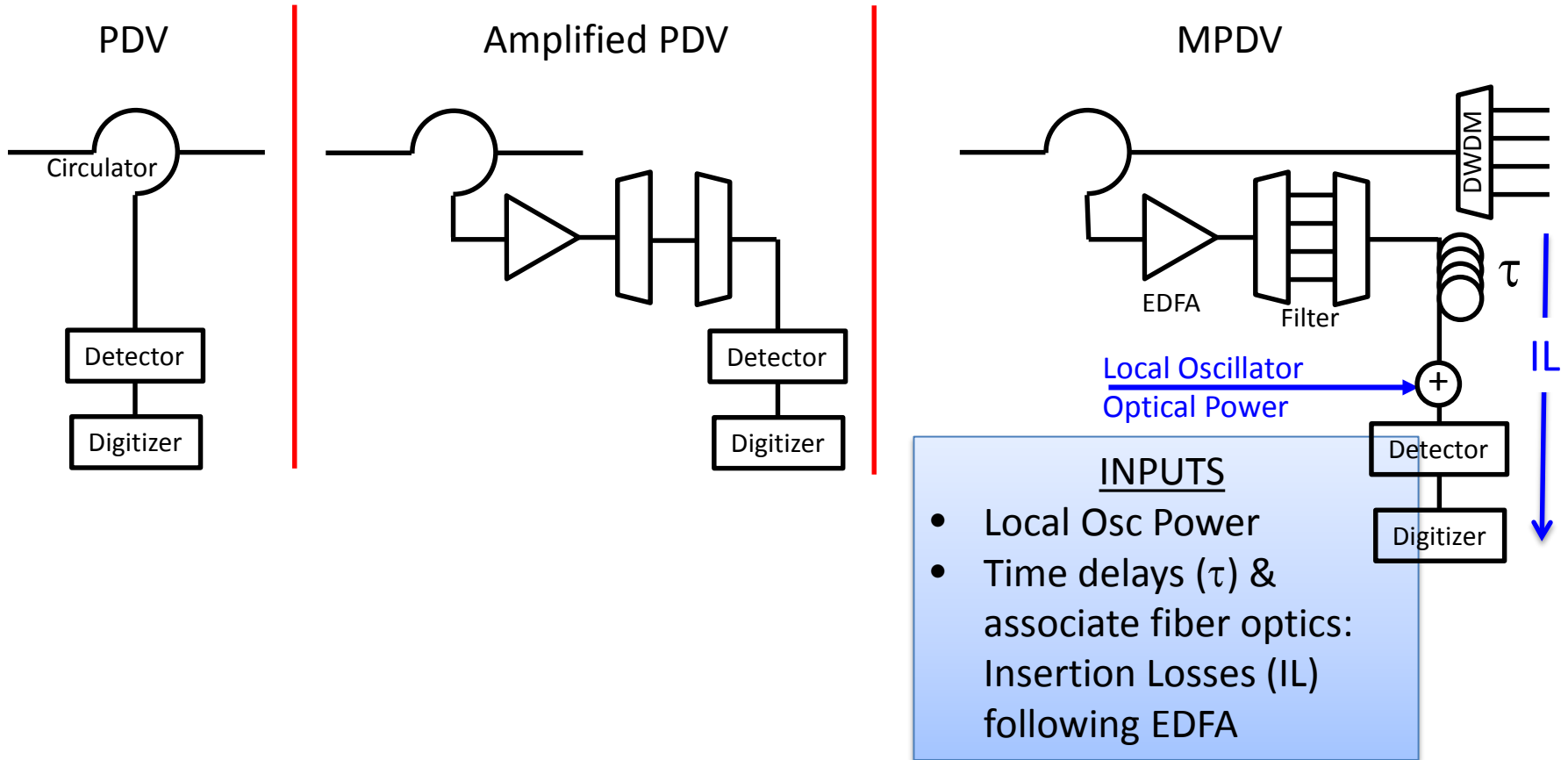


## INPUTS

- EDFA: Gain & Noise Figure
- Optical Filtering: optical bandpass

# Inputs for Pmin APP

**CALCULATE: Pmin = minimum optical power for SNR = 1**



# What does the APP look like?

## Pmin SHOT APP

### Pmin Shot

$P_{min} = f(IL, Gain, PD \text{ Responsivity})$ : Minimum Optical Power Necessary for SNR = 1.

variables: system insertion loss (following EDFA), EDFA gain, & Photo-diode Responsivity

OPTICAL SYSTEM INPUTS			
Optical Signal Power, LocOsc Power (at PD)	Psig =	N/A	dBm
	P(LO) =	0.0	dBm
System Insertion Loss*	IL(Sig) =	3.0	dB
Bandwidth (optical filter),	B <sub>o</sub> =	1.00E+11	Hz
EDFA Gain	G =	23.0	dB
EDFA Noise Figure	F =	4	dB
Fiber-optic combiner	ε(f/o) =	0.5	ratio

\* Insertion Loss is after EDFA, Not including f/o combiner

User inputs for the optical system

PHOTO-DIODE & DIGITIZER INPUTS			
Scope Range, V(max) =	1.00	Volt Full Scale	
Scope Sample Rate	50	(Gs/s)	
P-D Responsivity, R =	1800	V/W	
Photo-diode noise, PSD =	-125	(dBm/Hz)	
Scope noise, PSD =	-135	(dBm/Hz)	
Bandwidth (elec), B <sub>e</sub> =	2.00E+10	Hz	

User inputs for the photodetector, digitizer, and FFT analysis

ANALYSIS INPUT			
N(FFT) =	1024	pts	
RBW =	97.7	MHz	

User input visibility factor

SENSITIVITY (SNR = 1)			
PDV	MPDV		
<u>Pmin</u>	<u>Pmin</u>		
2.09E-09	7.33E-11	W	
-56.8	-71.4	dBm	

Sensitivity == minimum optical signal necessary for SNR = 1 (mean of noise floor)

VISIBILITY (Min. Detectable Optical Signal)			
PDV	MPDV		
<u>Pmin</u>	<u>Pmin</u>		
-45.8	-60.4	dBm	
Visibility Factor =	11	dB	

Calculated values for sensitivity & visibility



# What does the APP look like?

## Pmin DESIGN APP

### Pmin Design

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$P_{min} = f(IL, \text{Gain}, \text{PD Responsivity})$ : Minimum Optical Power Necessary for SNR = 1.

variables: system insertion loss (following EDFA), EDFA gain, & Photo-diode Responsivity

OPTICAL SYSTEM INPUTS			
Optical Signal Power, LocOsc Power (at PD)	$P_{sig} =$	N/A	dBm
	$P(LO) =$	0.0	dBm
System Insertion Loss*	$IL(\text{Sig}) =$	20.0	dB
Bandwidth (optical filter),	$B_o =$	1.00E+11	Hz
EDFA Gain	$G =$	30.0	dB
EDFA Noise Figure	$F =$	4.5	dB
Fiber-optic combiner	$\epsilon(f/o) =$	0.5	ratio

\* Insertion Loss is after EDFA, Not including f/o combiner

Calculation approximation: Strong Local Oscillator  $P(\text{LocOsc}) \gg P(\text{signal})$

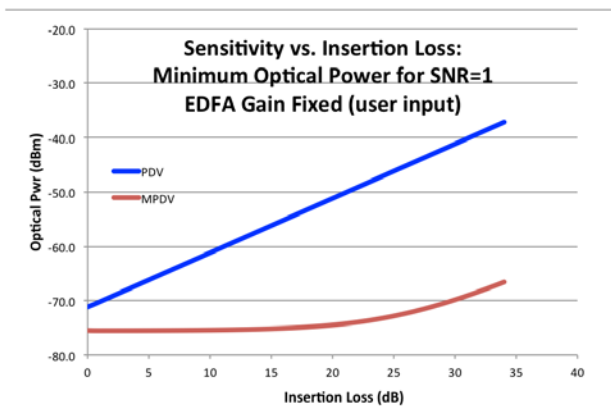
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ANALYSIS INPUT			
N(FFT)	=	1024	pts
RBW	=	39.1	MHz

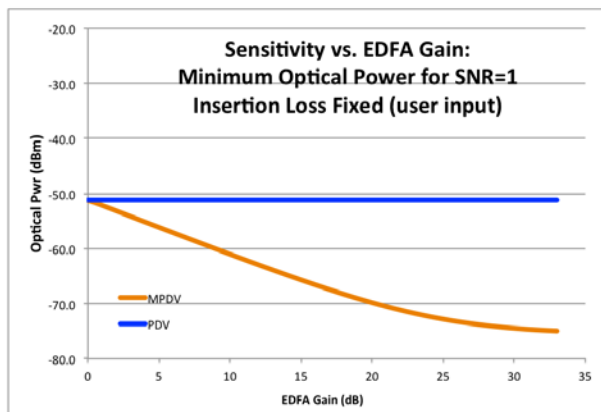
SENSITIVITY (SNR = 1)		
PDV	MPDV	
$P_{min}$	$P_{min}$	W
7.63E-09	3.58E-11	
-51.2	-74.5	dBm

Sensitivity == minimum optical signal necessary for SNR = 1 (mean of noise floor)

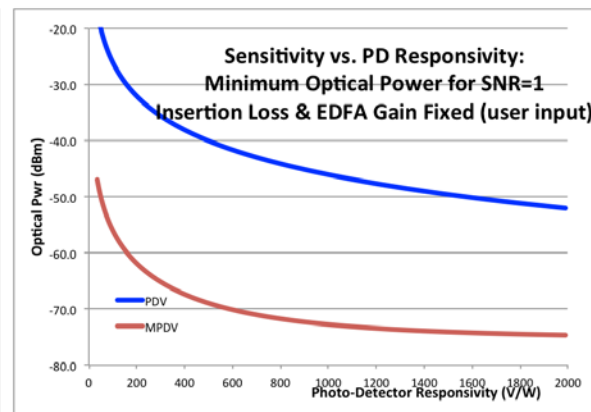
VISIBILITY (Min. Detectable Optical Signal)		
PDV	MPDV	
$P_{min}$	$P_{min}$	dBm
-40.2	-63.5	
Visibility Factor =	11	dB



Pmin vs. IL



Pmin vs. Gain



Pmin vs. PD





# Let's try it (time permitting)...

## Audience interactive session

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