

Passive Optical Network Access Sequence



Article Overview

The PON access sequence involves downstream broadcasting from the OLT to all ONUs and upstream time-slot-based transmissions from ONUs to the OLT to prevent collisions.

Downstream Access

In a PON, the Optical Line Terminal (OLT) at the service provider's central office sends data downstream to all connected Optical Network Units (ONUs) through a passive optical splitter. The downstream data is broadcasted to all ONUs, but each ONU only processes the data intended for it, using identifiers or encryption keys to filter out irrelevant traffic. This ensures efficient delivery of services such as internet, voice, and video to multiple end users simultaneously.

Upstream Access

Upstream communication from ONUs to the OLT is more complex due to the shared fiber medium. To avoid collisions, ONUs transmit data in allocated time slots using a Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) scheme. The OLT dynamically or statically assigns these time slots to each ONU, ensuring that only one ONU transmits at a given time on the shared feeder fiber. Burst-mode transceivers are often used to handle the rapid switching between ONUs, allowing the OLT to detect and synchronize incoming bursts efficiently.

Access Sequence Steps

- Downstream Broadcast: OLT sends data to all ONUs; each ONU extracts its own d...

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The 5x5 Gaussian coarse AWG , displayed in Fig

As shown in Figure 2-1, there are a number of possible PON topologies appropriate for the access network including tree, bus and ring configurations. Data transmissions in a PON are carried out

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2.1 Passive optical networks topologies and standards PONs are promising candidates for developing broadband access networks due to their simplicity of implementation and low OPEX [1, 2]. As shown

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PONs are assembled from passive devices, such as optical fibers, connectors and power splitters, with active elements such as optical line

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