



# **MobileAccess 1500 System**

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## About This Guide

This user guide provides a description of the MA-1500 system and instructions for installing the systems. The MA 1500 is an RF distribution system that can be used in conjunction with the MA 1000/2000 systems.

## Revision History

The revision history for this document is shown in Table 1-1.

*Table 1-1: Revision history*

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## List of Acronyms

|             |                                      |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>AGC</b>  | Automatic Gain Control               |
| <b>BDA</b>  | Bi-Directional Amplifier             |
| <b>BTS</b>  | Base Transceiver Station             |
| <b>BTSC</b> | Base Transceiver Station Conditioner |
| <b>BU</b>   | Base Unit                            |
| <b>DL</b>   | Downlink                             |
| <b>RHU</b>  | Remote Hub Unit                      |
| <b>RIU</b>  | Radio Interface Unit                 |
| <b>SNR</b>  | Signal to Noise Ratio                |
| <b>UL</b>   | Uplink                               |
| <b>VDC</b>  | Volts Direct Current                 |

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# 1 Introduction to the MA 1500 System

MA 1500 provides a cost effective solution for extending 450 MHz signal from a single BTS location to remote locations, up to 20 Km away, over SM F/O connections.

Simplex RF inputs and outputs support a wide variety of channel assignments, while maintaining the service integrity via highly linear amplifiers. Intuitive GUI software enables end-to-end setup and adjustment of the coverage to minimize interaction with outdoor signals.

The system can support two independent links, where each link can support:

- A different service
- A sector – where two links are required for two sectors of the same service

The MA-1500 system is based on the following elements:

- **1500-UHF-BU** – A 1500-UHF-BU unit is installed, adjacent to the BTS location. It performs the RF to optic signal conversion at the BTS side and transmits the services to the remote location(s) where 1500-UHF-RU units are installed.
- **1500-UHF-RU** – A 1500-UHF-RU is installed at each remote location. This unit reconverts the signals received over the optic fiber to RF and distributes the services to the connected antennas.
- **MA-1500 GUI Tool** – Intuitive GUI used for setting up, adjusting and monitoring the MA 1500 system. (The MA-1500 GUI is the same GUI tool as for the MA-330 – described in Chapter 4

## 1.1 System Architecture

At the Main building, the 1500-UHF-BU interfaces to the BTS via passive interface. It converts the RF signal received from the BTS to an optic signal and transmits it over SM optic fiber to the MA 1500 Remote. At the Remote buildings, the 1500-UHF-RU reconverts the received RF signal to an optic signal and routes the RF signals to the antennas.

The MA-1500 system provides flexible solutions for two types of antennas – simplex and duplex. Both solutions are illustrated in Figure 1-1.

- **Simplex antennas** – these type of antennas are connected directly to the remote unit: one for the Rx and one for the Tx signal.
- **Duplex** – these antennas are connected to the remote unit via a duplexer. One antenna both receives and transmits signals. Up to four duplex antennas can be connected to each remote unit.

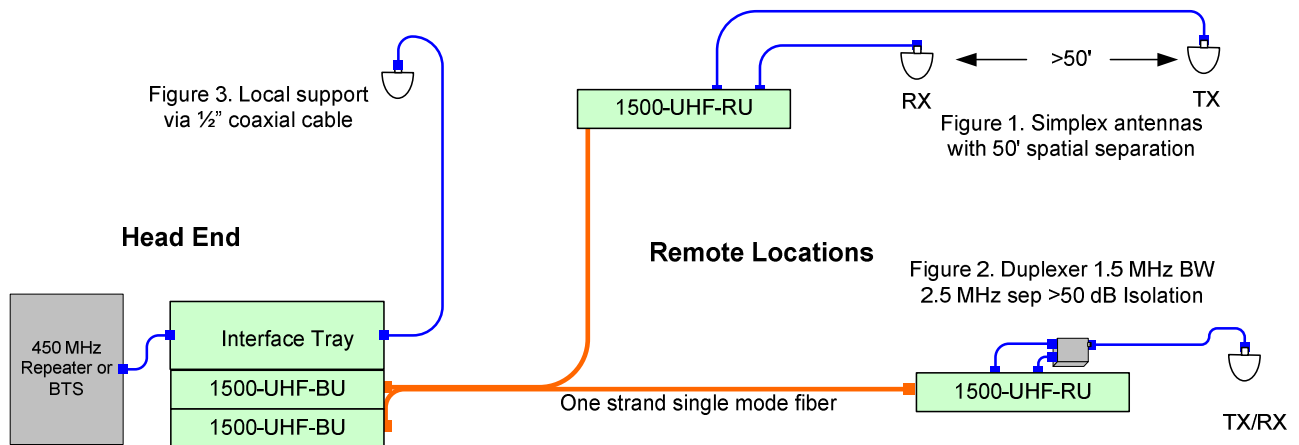


Figure 1-1. MA 1500 Installations

## 1.2 System Operation and Capabilities

### 1.2.1 Commissioning

The MA-1500 system can be configured and adjusted according to the specific installation. The procedure is performed through intuitive GUI run via a local connection to either the 1500-UHF-BU or to the corresponding 1500-UHF-RU unit (*Chapter 4 Setup and Adjustment Procedure*).

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**NOTE:** The setup and adjustment procedures are end-to-end, meaning that both 1500-UHF-BU and the 1500-UHF-RU on the corresponding link can be adjusted by connecting to either units.

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### 1.2.2 Fault Detection and Alarm Reporting

The MA 1500 units provides the following types of fault detection:

- Front Panel LED
- Dry-contact auxiliary - 1500-UHF-BU only. Two normally closed connections used for reporting to an external alarm system when the optic signal level is not within the required range.
- GUI monitoring on each link, through a local connection to either the 1500-UHF-BU or 1500-UHF-RU unit of the corresponding link

### 1.2.3 RF Signal Connections

**1500-UHF-BU** - The RF signal connections between the 1500-UHF-BU and the BTS interface (RIU or passive interface) are supported through N-type female connectors mounted on the 1500-UHF-BU rear panel: one connector for each forward path coax cable and one for each reverse path coax cable (two connectors for one link, four connectors for two links).

**1500-UHF-RU** - The RF signal connections between the 1500-UHF-RU and the antennas are supported through four pairs of N-type female connectors mounted on the 1500-UHF-BU-2 rear panel. One connector is used for connecting the forward path coaxial cable and one connector for connecting the reverse path coaxial cable.

### 1.2.4 Optical Signal Connections

- **1500-UHF-BU** - one or two optical connections, SC/APC, on the front panel, corresponding to the number of links supported by the MA 1500 model
- **1500-UHF-RU** – single optical link, SC/APC, on the front panel

### 1.2.5 Optical Signal Level Adjustment

The 1500-UHF-BU and Remote units are equipped with digital attenuators for adjusting the forward and reverse optic signal level. The attenuators are adjusted through the GUI.

### 1.2.6 Powering

The MA 1500-UHF-BU and 1500-UHF-RU is powered by a 20 to 48 VDC power which is supplied through a standard power connection to the rear panel.

### 1.2.7 Mounting

The MA 1500 units are specifically designed for 19" rack-mount installations. When installed, the front panels of the units are flush with the front of the rack.

## 1.3 MA 1500 Models

*Table 1-1: MobileAccess™ 1500 Models*

| <b>MobileAccess 1500 system units</b> |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1500-UHF-BU-1                         | Base Unit, 422-512 MHz supporting 1 Remote Unit  |
| 1500-UHF-BU-2                         | Base Unit, 422-512 MHz supporting 2 Remote Units |
| 1500-UHF-RU                           | Remote Unit, 422-512 MHz                         |
| 1500-VHF-BU-1                         | Not yet available                                |
| 1500-VHF-BU-2                         | Not yet available                                |
| 1500-VHF-RU                           | Not yet available                                |

## 2 MA-1500 system Elements

This chapter describes each of the system elements: MA 1500-BU and 1500-UHF-RU. The description includes front and rear panel ports, LEDs and specific connections according to the basic installation types such as connection to one or two remote locations.

### 2.1 1500-BU Unit Description

1500-UHF-BU is available in two models:

- 1500-UHF-BU-2 (Dual link) – The unit contains two (identical and independent) RF to optic conversion modules, enabling it to connect to two different sites (buildings) and support two (different or same) services.
- 1500-UHF-BU-1 (Single link) – The unit contains a single RF to optic conversion module, enabling it to connect to a single remote site (building) and support a single service.

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NOTE: The modules in the single-link and in the dual-link MA-1500-BUs are the same. All references made in this manual to 1500-UHF-BU refers to 1500-UHF-BU-1 and 1500-UHF-BU-2).

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The following figure shows the 1500-UHF-BU-2 block diagram (note that the two units are completely separate).

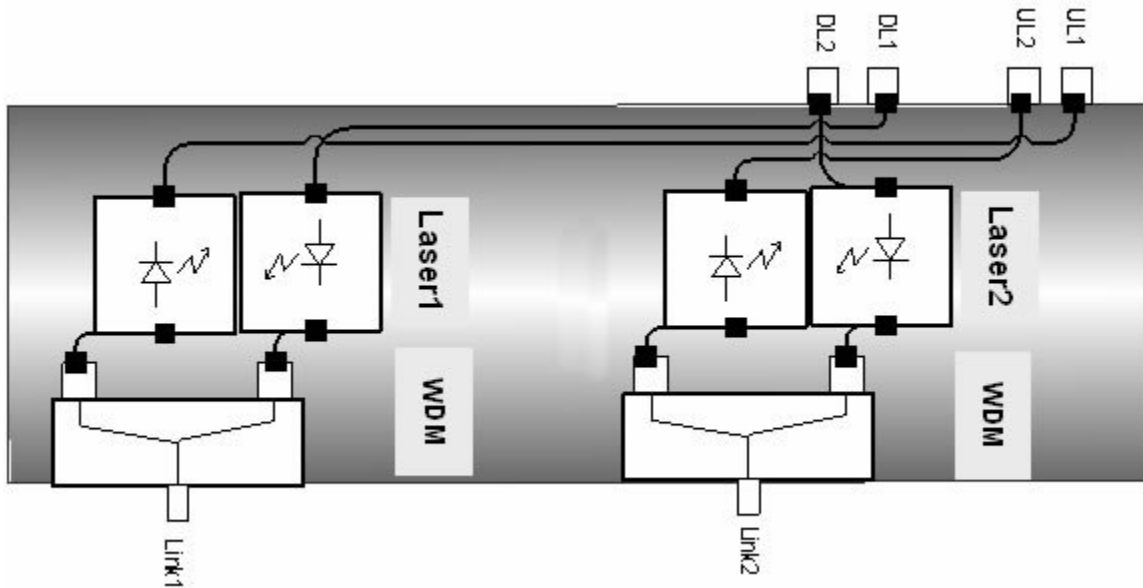


Figure 2-1 1500-UHF-BU-2 Block Diagram

### 2.1.1 Primary Functions

The 1500-UHF-BU unit interfaces to the service signal source (BTS) through passive interface, performs RF to optic (on the DL) and transmits the service and control signals over optic fiber to the remote location(s).

### 2.1.2 1500 Base Unit Front Panel

The 1500-UHF-BU front panel contains the optical connections, RS232 connection to GUI and the LED indicators. The following figures show the front panel for both single link and dual link models of the MA 1500 Main.

The ports are described in Table 2-1 and the indicators in Table 2-2.

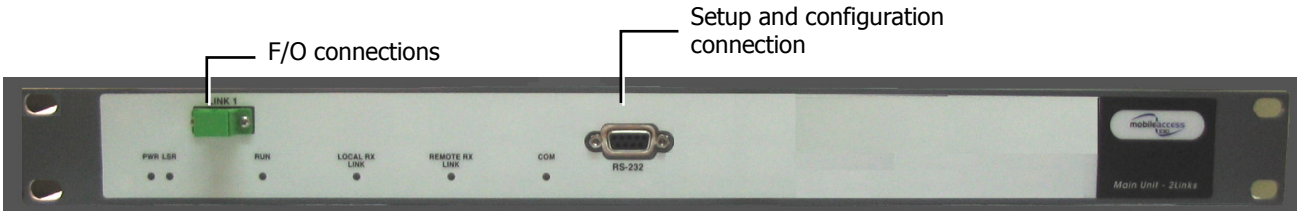


Figure 2-2 1500-UHF-BU-1 Front Panel



Figure 2-3. 1500-UHF-BU-2 Front Panel – Two Link Model

Table 2-1. 1500 Main Front Panel Ports

| Port            | Description  |
|-----------------|--|
| Link 1 / Link 2 | Fiber Optic connection to MA 1500 Remotes installed at remote sites. Each link (1/2) corresponds to a remote location. |
| RS232 com port  | Local RS232 connection to a computer on which the MA 1500 GUI (setup and monitoring application) has been installed.   |



Table 2-2. 1500-UHF-BU Front Panel Indicators

| LED            | Description   |
|----------------|---|
| PWR            | DC power status:<br>ON – OK<br>OFF – no power   |
| LSR            | Laser condition:<br>ON – normal (laser locked)<br>Off – faulty (laser unlocked)   |
| RUN            | Status of optic adjustment procedure as well as unit processor condition:<br>Green Blinking – normal. Successful adjustment and processor running.<br>Orange Blinking - adjustment failed or not performed<br>Not blinking (Green, Orange, OFF) – unresponsive unit |
| Local RX link  | Optic signal received <i>from</i> the remote:<br>Green ON steady – optical signal within range<br>Blinking – low optical signal<br>OFF – no optical signal received FROM the REMOTE   |
| Remote RX link | Optic signal received <i>at</i> the remote:<br>Green ON steady – optical signal within range<br>Blinking – low optical signal<br>OFF - no optical signal received AT the REMOTE   |
| COM            | Status of link communication:<br>Green – normal communication<br>Red – faulty communication<br>OFF – no communication   |

### 2.1.3 1500-UHF-BU Rear Panel

The 1500-UHF-BU rear panel contains the connections to the BTS interface (RIU or interface box), to the MA 430 Controller and power connections. The following figures show the rear panel for the 1500-UHF-BU-1 – single link and 1500-UHF-BU-2 – two link units. A description of the connections follows.

**NOTE:** Each COM port supports controller connection to one link: two COM ports are available in 1500-UHF-BU-2 rear panels supporting two links.



Figure 2-4. 1500 Base Unit Rear – Single Link Model



Figure 2-5. 1500 Base Unit Rear – Two Link Model

Table 2-3 1500 Base Unit Rear Panel Connectors

| Port              | Description   |
|-------------------|---|
| Uplink RF Output  | Uplink RF connections to the BTS passive interface for the corresponding remote location.             |
| Downlink RF Input | Downlink RF connections to the BTS interface passive interface for the corresponding remote location. |
| Alarms port       | Dry contact alarms port connections. See section 2.1.4 for details.                                   |
| COM LINK(s)       | Not relevant.   |
| Power Input       | Power Input 20-48VDC  |

### 2.1.4 1500-UHF-BU Dry-Contact Alarms

The **Alarms** connector on the 1500-UHF-BU-2 rear panel provides two dry-contact connections. These enable monitoring the optical level of each remote link and reporting to an external alarm system when the optic link signal is not within range. The connections are *normally closed*.

Table 2-4. Alarms Connector

| Pin Number | Description                       |
|------------|-----------------------------------|
| 4,5        | Link-1: Closed – OK, Open - fault |
| 16, 17     | Link-2: Closed – OK, Open - fault |

## 2.2 1500-UHF-RU Unit Description

The 1500-UHF-RU unit is installed at the remote location and interfaces to the Base Units and MA 410 controller.



2-6: MA 1500 Remote

### 2.2.1 Primary Functions

The 1500-UHF-RU unit performs the following main functions:

- Performs optic to RF (and vice versa) service signal conversion at the remote site
- Distributes the RF signals to the antennas
- Provides AGC of the uplink signal from the antenna – adjustable through local connection from either the Base Unit or Remote units and the MA 1500 GUI

### 2.2.2 1500-UHF-RU Front Panel

The 1500-UHF-RU front panel contains the optic connection, setup and configuration RS232 connection and LEDs. The following figure show the 1500-UHF-RU front panel. The ports are described in Table 2-1 and the indicators in Table 2-2.

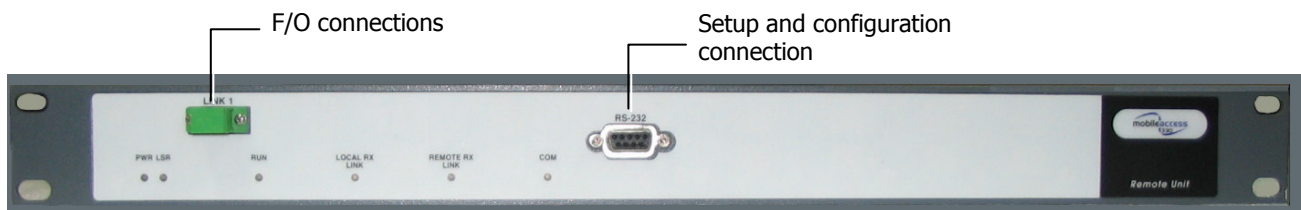


Figure 2-7 1500-UHF-RU Front Panel

Table 2-5. 1500 Base Unit Front Panel Ports

| Port           | Description   |
|----------------|---|
| Link           | Fiber Optic connection to 1500-UHF-BU-2 installed at the Base Unit site.  |
| RS232 com port | Setup and configuration connection. Local RS232 connection to a computer on which the MA 1500 Configuration application has been installed. |

Table 2-6. 1500 Remote Front Panel Indicators

| <b>LED</b>     | <b>Description</b>  |
|----------------|---|
| PWR            | DC power status:<br>ON – OK<br>OFF – no power   |
| LSR            | Laser condition:<br>ON – normal (laser locked)<br>Off – faulty (laser unlocked)   |
| RUN            | Status of optic adjustment procedure as well as unit processor condition:<br>Green Blinking – normal. Successful adjustment and processor running.<br>Orange Blinking - adjustment failed or not performed<br>Not blinking (Green, Orange, OFF) – unresponsive unit |
| Local RX link  | Optic signal received from the Base Unit:<br>Green ON steady – optical signal within range<br>Blinking – low optical signal<br>OFF – no optical signal received FROM the BASE UNIT  |
| Remote RX link | Optic signal received at the remote:<br>Green ON steady – optical signal within range<br>Blinking – low optical signal<br>OFF - no optical signal received AT the BASE UNIT   |
| COM            | Status of link communication:<br>Green – normal communication<br>Red – faulty communication<br>OFF – no communication   |

### 2.2.3 1500-UHF-RU Rear Panel

The 1500-UHF-RU rear panel contains the connections to the power and antennas.



Figure 2-8. 1500-UHF-RU - Rear Panel

Table 2-7. 1500-UHF-RU Rear Panel Connectors

| Port         | Description  |
|--------------|--|
| Power        | Power input: 20-48 VDC   |
| SW PRG       | Software Programming – MA service Personnel use this port (in addition to the RS232 front panel port) to upgrade the software. |
| Downlink 1-4 | Antenna or duplexer connection, depending on the installation. See TBD.  |
| Uplink 1-4   | Antenna or duplexer connection, depending on the installation. See TBD.  |
| EXP IN/OUT   | N/A  |

## 3 Installation

### 3.1 Overview

This chapter describes the procedures for mounting the MA 1500 system, and information on grounding, installation of optical fiber, RF cables and power cables.

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**NOTE:** Be sure to read the Pre-installation and Power Consumption related instructions before proceeding with the actual connections.

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### 3.2 Pre-installation Instructions

#### 3.2.1 Installation Overview

The MA-1500 system installation consists of the following basic steps:

1. Unpacking and inspecting the MA-1500 system modules and accessory components.
2. Mounting the MA 1500 units in the mounting rack:
  - 1500-UHF-BU-2 – in the main building mounting rack
  - 1500-UHF-RU – in the remote building mounting rack
3. Connecting the fiber-optic patch cords to the units.
4. Connecting the RF connections to the units
5. Connecting the DC power to the unit
6. Setup and adjustment procedure – Chapter 4

#### 3.2.2 Provided Accessories

The accessories provided with the MA-1500 system kit are listed in the following tables.

*Table 3-1: - MA 1500, Accessory Kit for Base Unit - 1 Link*

| P/N       | Description                                       | Qty |
|-----------|---|-----|
| 705900003 | CABLE RJ45/RJ45 COMUNICACION 1.5 - 2.0 m          | 2   |
| 705900004 | CBALE D-TYPE 9P(M)/9P(F) w/ screws-both side 1.8M | 1   |

*Table 3-2: - MA 1500, Accessory Kit For Base Unit - 2 Link*

| P/N       | Description                                       | Qty |
|-----------|---|-----|
| 705900003 | CABLE RJ45/RJ45 COMUNICACION 1.5 - 2.0 m          | 3   |
| 705900004 | CABLE D-TYPE 9P(M)/9P(F) w/ screws-both side 1.8M | 1   |

Table 3-3: - MA 1500, Accessory Kit for Remote Unit

| P/N       | Description                                       | Qty |
|-----------|---|-----|
| 705900004 | CABLE D-TYPE 9P(M)/9P(F) w/ screws-both side 1.8M | 1   |

### 3.2.3 Unpacking and Inspection

This section provides instructions for opening the shipping boxes, verifying that all parts have been received, and verifying that no shipping damage has occurred. The basic MA-1500 system includes the following items:

- 1500-UHF-BU – one or two-link model depending on the installation
- 1500-UHF-RU – one or two units depending on the 1500-UHF-BU-2 model

#### **Unpack and inspect the cartons according to the following procedure**

1. Open the shipping carton and carefully unpack each unit from the protective packing material.
2. Check for signs of external damage. If there is any damage, call your MobileAccess service representative.

### 3.2.4 Rack Installation Instructions

Review the following guidelines to help ensure your safety and protect the equipment from damage during the installation.

- Only trained and qualified personnel should be allowed to install or replace this equipment.
- Verify that ambient temperature of the environment does not exceed 50°C (122°F)
- To maintain a low center of gravity, ensure that heavier equipment is installed near the bottom of the rack and load the rack from the bottom to the top.
- Ensure that adequate airflow and ventilation within the rack and around the installed components so that the safety of the equipment is not compromised. It is recommended to allow for at least about 2 cm of airspace between devices in the rack.
- Verify that the equipment is grounded as required – especially the supply connections.

### 3.2.5 Fiber Optic Rules

- Use single mode fiber
- **Use SC/APC connectors (green color) 8 deg only.**
- Use minimum splicing/connectors to achieve minimum losses on the fibers.
- Use precaution while installing, bending, or connecting fiber optic cables.
- Use an optical power meter and OTDR for checking the fiber optic cables.
- Make sure the environment is **clean** while connecting/splicing fiber optic cables.
- All fiber optic connections should be cleaned prior to attaching to termination points using a dry cleaning device (i.e. Cletop or equivalent).
- Fiber connector protective caps should be installed on all non-terminated fibers and removed just before they are terminated.
- Check the Fiber Optic connections. You may use the Optical Test Procedure described at the end of this manual.
- Pay special attention while connecting the SC/APC connectors - you must hear the "click" when the connection is made.

### 3.2.6 RF Rules

- **Use coax, 50 Ohm, male-to-male N-type for RF connections**
- When bending coax cables, verify that the bending radius does not exceed the coax specifications.
- Use a VSWR meter (i.e. Site Master or equivalent) for checking coax cables



## 3.3 Power Consumption, Connections and Power Supplies

### 3.3.1 Power Safety Instructions

#### SAFETY WARNINGS

When installing or selecting the power supplies:

- Be sure to disconnect all power sources before servicing.
- Calculate the required power according to the requirements of the specific installation and then determine the configuration of the power supplies. The required DC cables will then be determined by the selected PS configuration.
- Use only **UL** approved power supplies
- Install external over-current protective devices for the system according to the requirements described in section 3.3.3.

### 3.3.2 Power Requirements

*Table 3-4. MobileAccess™ Power Requirements*

| Unit Type  | Voltage Input | Typical Power Consumption | Maximum Current Consumption |
|------------|---------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| MA 1500 BU | 20-48VDC      | 20 W max                  | 1 A                         |
| MA 1500 RU | 20-48VDC      | 20 W max                  | 1 A                         |

### 3.3.3 Circuit Breakers

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**NOTE:** Circuit breakers are relevant only in installations where power is supplied from remote sources.

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## 3.4 Installation Procedure

This section provides examples of some basic MA-1500 system installations. The examples can be used as a basis for understanding how to connect any other installation configurations.

Each example includes an overview diagram, followed by illustration of the physical connections and step-by-step instructions.

### 3.4.1 Example 1: Stand Alone

Figure 3-1 shows the connections in a stand alone topology with two types of antenna connections:

- Simplex antennas - where one antenna transmits the signals and the other receives the signals.
- Duplex antenna – where a single antenna transmits and receives the signals in both directions. The signals are routed through SM F/O connections to the remote locations.

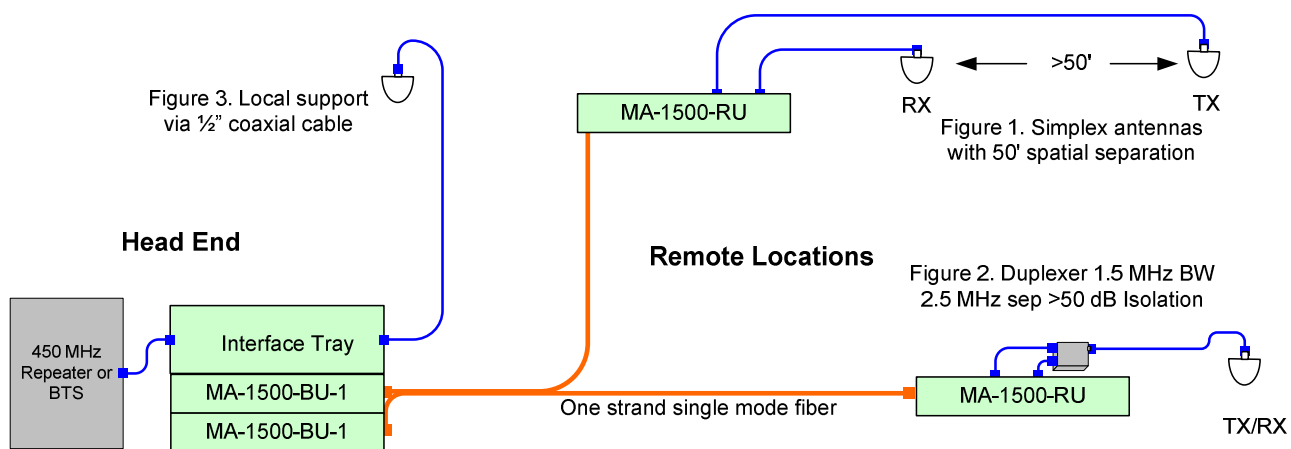


Figure 3-1: Two Link Base Unit with a Slave Controller at each Remote Site

### 3.4.1.1 1500-UHF-BU-2 Connections

1. Connections to passive-interface box - using N-Type cables connect the **uplink** and **downlink** ports on the 1500-UHF-BU rear panel to the passive interface box.
2. Alarms connections - (optional) connect to an external monitoring system according to section 2.1.4.
3. Power – connect to the DC power according to section 1.2.6

The following figure shows the physical connections to the MA 1500 Base Unit. The figures are followed by instructions.

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**NOTE:** Only the connections relevant the MA 1500-UHF units are shown.

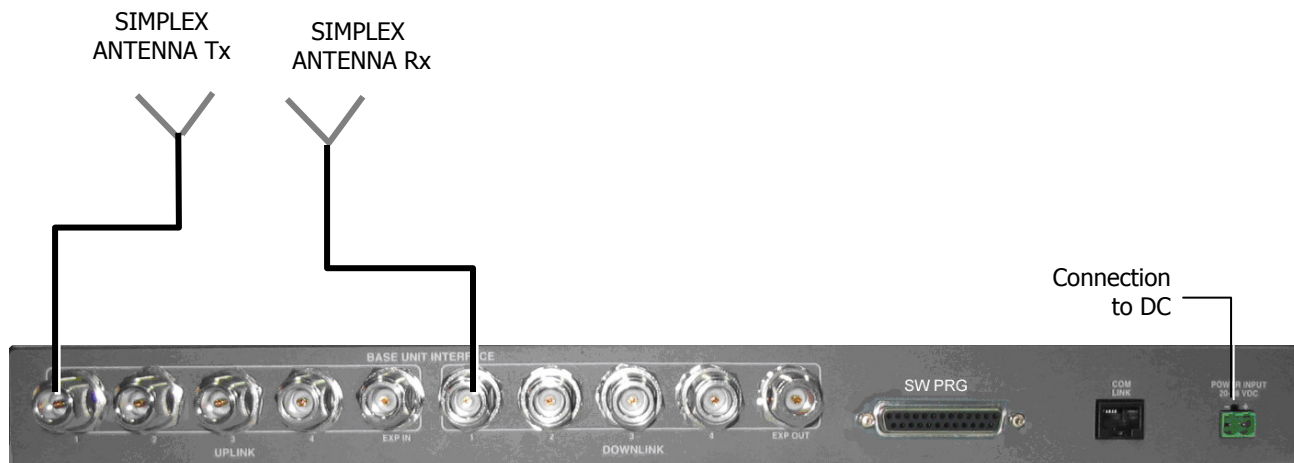
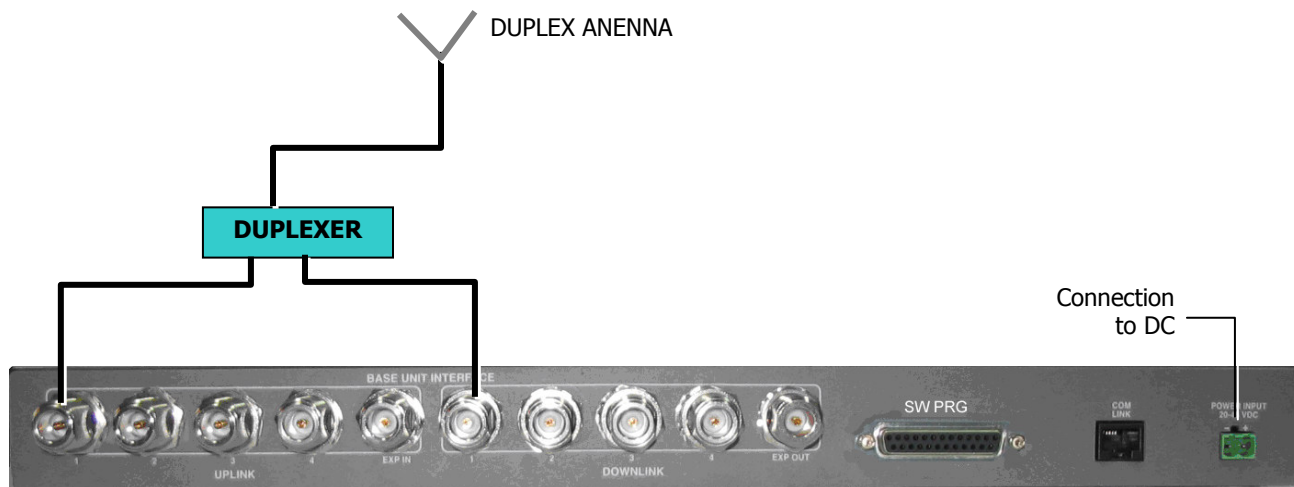
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Figure 3-2: 1500-UHF-BU-2 Building Connections

### 3.4.1.2 1500-UHF-RU Connections

The following two figures show the 1500-UHF-BU connections to duplex antennas (via duplexer) and to simplex antennas (direct). Duplexer must supply 50 dB of isolation between the DL and UL bands.



## 4 Setup and Adjustment Procedure

### 4.1 Overview

The MA 1500 Setup and Adjustment Tool is an intuitive GUI based software application that enables end-to-end configuration and monitoring of the MA-1500 system through a local connection to either the 1500-UHF-BU-2 or 1500-UHF-RU unit of the same link.

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**NOTE:** The MA-1500 GUI is the same GUI tool as for the MA-330. The application (MA 330 GUI) is supplied on a CD with your installation kit.

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**The MA 1500 GUI is used to:**

- Configure the BTS interface type (required setup procedure)
- Perform the optical adjustment procedure (required setup procedure)
- Configure AGC for the MA 1500 Remote
- View H/W, S/W versions

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**NOTE:** Access to the various configuration and setup options is limited by password protected user levels.

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### 4.2 Software Installation

**To install the application**

There are four directories on your Installation CDs. In the **Customer GUI** directory, double-click **MA 330\_x\_x\_x.exe** and follow the installation instructions.

### 4.3 How to Use the MA 1500 Setup Tool

The MA 330 GUI application is required for completing the installation procedure and for monitoring the MA-1500 system elements.

The following list clarifies the procedures for using the application:

1. Install the MA 330 GUI supplied with the installation CD on a computer (preferably a laptop) with which you can locally connect to the MA-1500 system (either Base Unit or Remote units).

2. Connect the computer to the MA-1500 system (either Base or remote unit) and launch the application.
3. Login under the User Name **Field Eng** and the Password **Eng** (the password can then be changed for security reasons).

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**NOTE:** The next steps are all performed from the MA 1500 Setup application.

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4. Review the MA 330 Tool windows according to section 4.5
5. Setup and adjust the MA-1500 system according to section 4.6.

## 4.4 Installing and Launching the Application

### 4.4.1 Installation and Connection

1. Using the supplied Installation CD, install the MA 330 GUI on the computer (usually laptop) from which the adjustment procedure will be performed.
2. Connect a standard RS232 cable between the RS232 port you computer and the RS232 port on either the 1500-UHF-BU or 1500-UHF-RU.

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**NOTE:** 1500-UHF-BU-2 has only one RS232 port. You will be required to choose the link on which the current adjustment is performed through the Main window.

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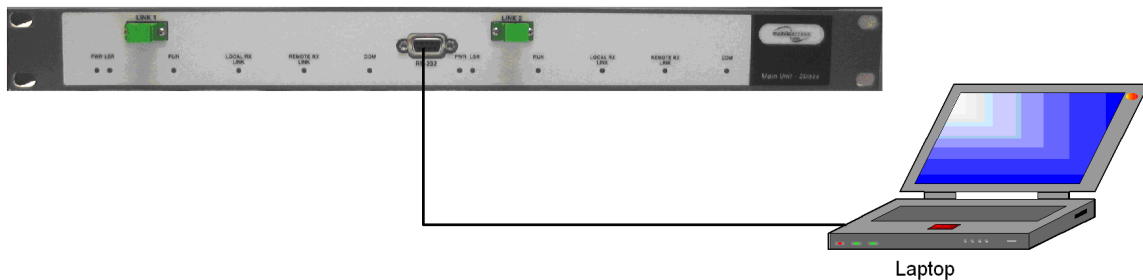


Figure 4-1. MA 1500 GUI Tool Connection

#### 4.4.2 Launching the Application and Logging In

1. To launch the application, perform one of the following:
  - Double-click on the MA 330 icon on your desktop, or
  - From the **Windows Start** menu, choose **Program** and click **MA 330 GUI**

The following **login** window appears.

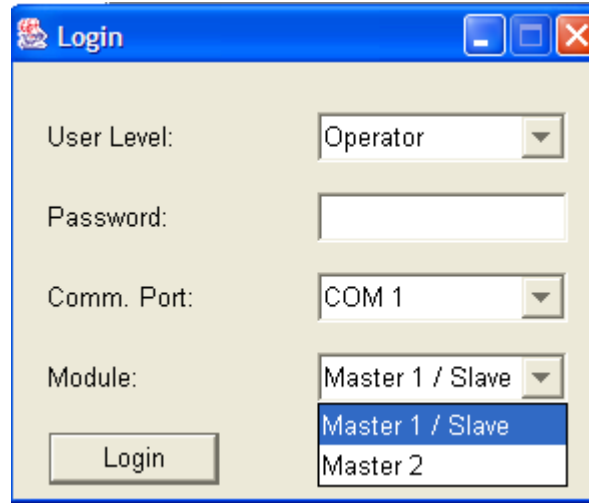


Figure 4-2. Login Dialog

2. To login at a User Level that enables configuring the system:
  - In the **User Level** field, select **Field Eng.**
  - Enter the default Engineering password **eng**.

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**NOTE:** It is recommended to change the default passwords. For more information on the User Levels, Passwords and Password change, refer to section 4.10).

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3. Select the **Comm Port** according to the currently active COMM port on your computer.
4. In the **Module** field, select the link to be adjusted:
  - To connect to the first link on the 1500-UHF-BU-2 unit, choose **Master 1 / Slave**
  - To connect to the second link on the 1500-UHF-BU-2 unit, choose **Master 2**
  - To connect to the 1500-UHF-RU unit, choose **Master 1 / Slave**
5. Click **Login**. The main window appears. The window is described in the following section.

## 4.5 Navigating MA 1500 GUI

Upon login, the 1500-UHF-BU-2 window appears, displaying the Operator tab by default and the parameters for the currently selected link. The windows contains two configuration and monitoring tabs at different levels: **Operator** and **Advanced**.

Both tabs are divided into two window areas: **Main** and **Remote**. This enables you to define and monitor the parameters of either device on the link (1500-UHF-BU-2 or MA 1500 Remote).

A third tab – **Block Diagram** contains a block diagram showing the UL and DL signal paths and the exact points that some of the measurements were made.

Additional buttons provide administrator functions as follows:

- **Security** - enables the user to modify the default password given for each authorization level (see section 4.10).
- **Connect/Disconnect** – used to change links at the MA 1500 unit (between Link 1 and Link 2)
- **Close** – application exit function

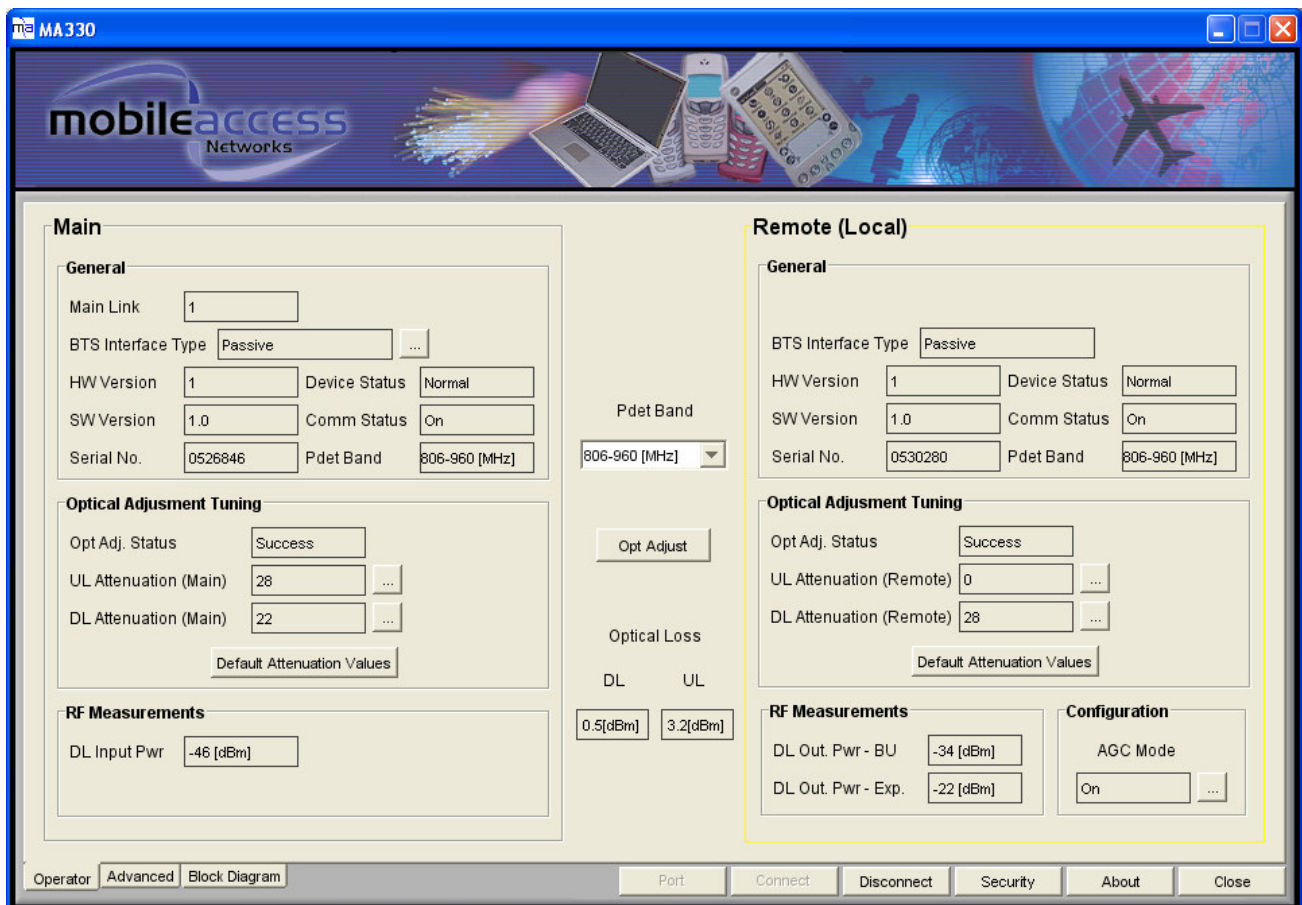


Figure 4-3. Main Window



### 4.5.1.1 Operator Tab

The Operator tab provides the optical adjustment and basic monitoring functions. It also shows the versions of each of the units on the link.

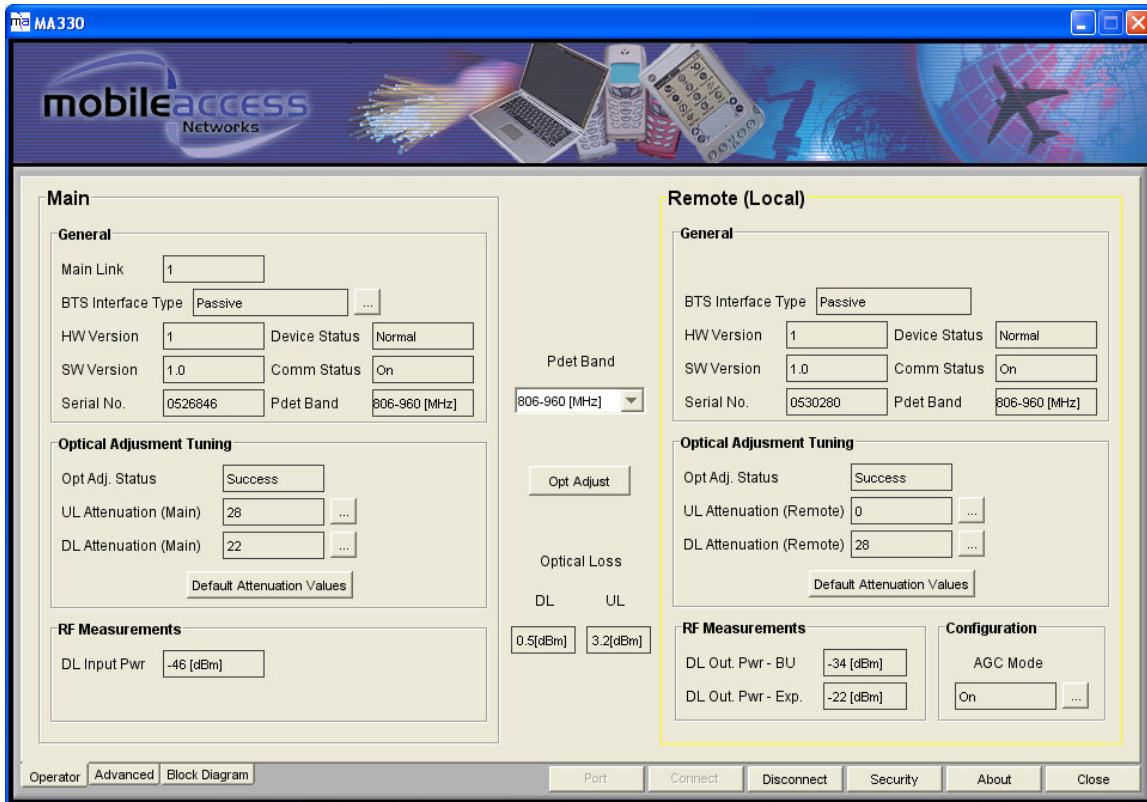


Figure 4-4: Operator Tab

### 4.5.1.2 Advanced Tab

The Advanced tab contains advanced monitoring parameters, AGC control parameters and advanced adjustment parameters used for further optimizing the adjustment procedure.

Like the Operator's tab, the Advanced tab is divided into two areas: Main and Remote. This enables configuring and monitoring the main and remote units on the link at the same time.

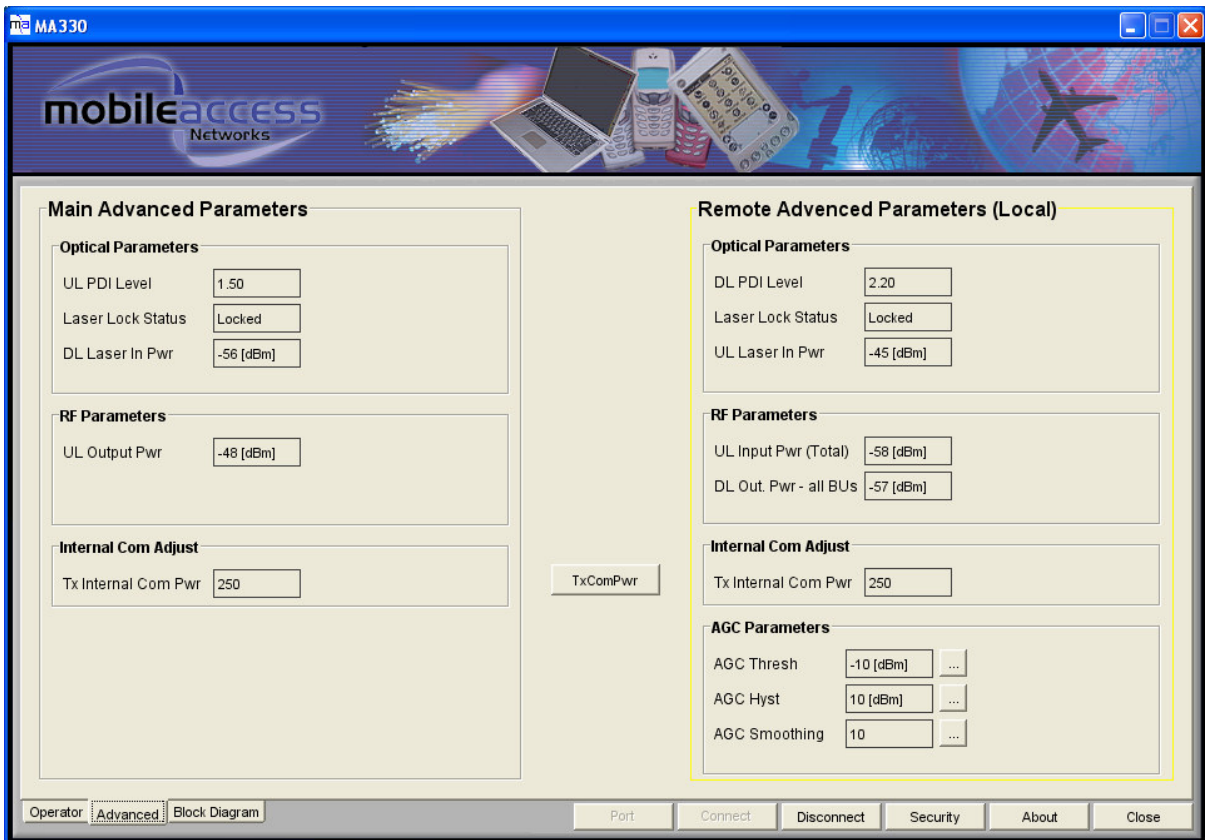


Figure 4-5: Advanced Dialog

### 4.5.1.3 Block Diagram

This diagram shows the measurement points and DCA (Digital Control Attenuation) in the UL and DL path.

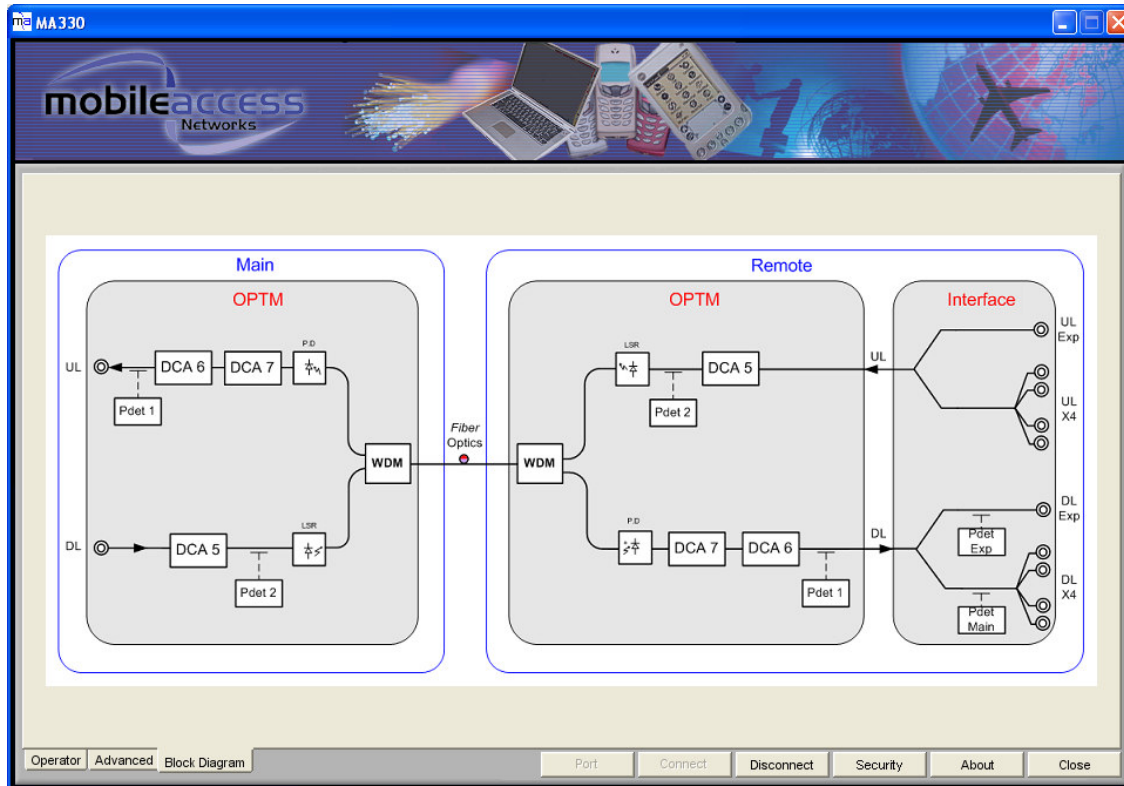


Figure 4-6: Block Diagram

## 4.6 Commissioning

The commissioning procedure consists of the following procedures:

1. Verify that the BTS interface type is defined as **Passive** (4.6.1).
2. Perform the optical adjustment procedure (4.6.2).
3. Optional – setting AGC to ON.

The 1500-UHF-RU AGC is set to OFF by default. You may change the setting to ON (4.7.1).

4. Monitor the system to verify that the RF parameters are at the required level and that there are no errors (4.8).

### 4.6.1 Verifying the BTS Interface Configuration

1. Access the MA 1500 GUI main window, **Operator** tab. The current link is automatically displayed.
2. Under **General**, verify that the **BTS Interface** is set to **Passive**. Otherwise click the Browse (...) button and choose **Passive Interface**.

### 4.6.2 Optical Adjustment

This procedure compensates for the loss over the optic fiber and the MA 1500 units.

**NOTE:** If there is no optical loss, the total gain (before the optical adjustment procedure) is factory set to 0 dB.

#### To perform the Optical Adjustment Procedure

1. Verify that the correct link **Main Link** (if relevant) is selected and that the **BTS Interface** type has been selected.

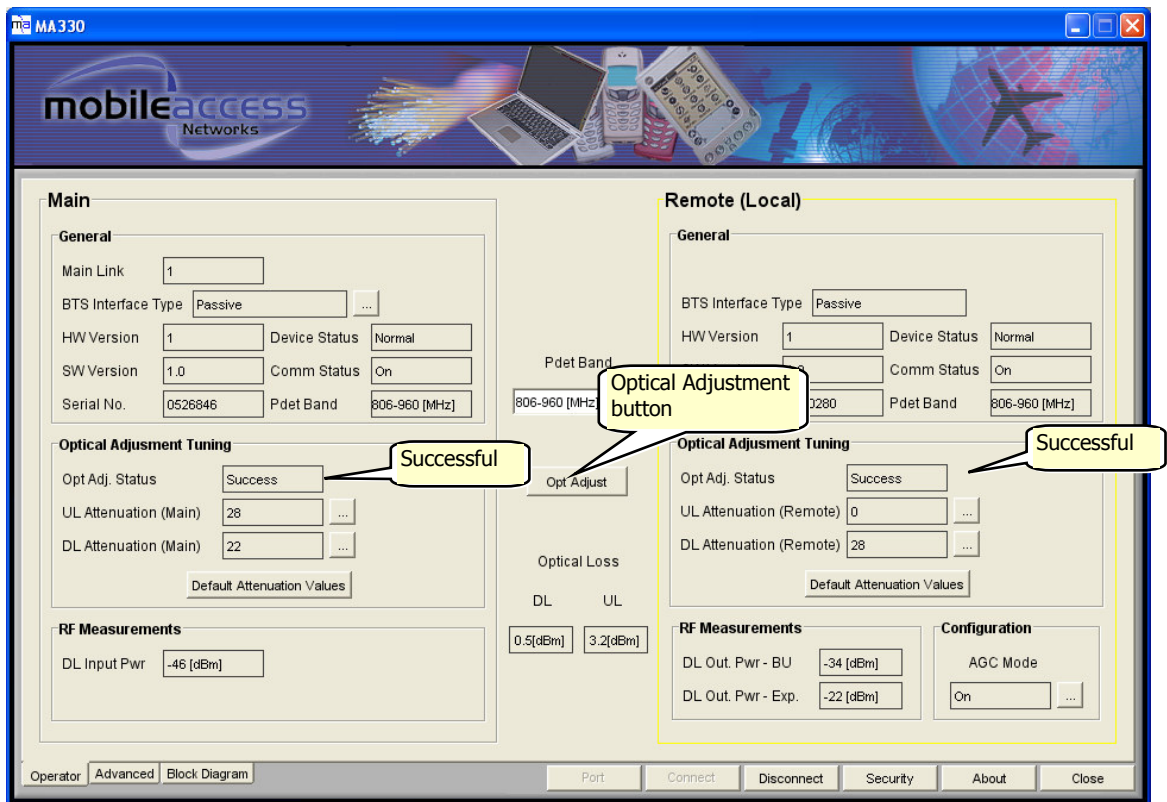


Figure 4-7: Optical Adjustment Parameters

2. In the **Operator** dialog click on **Optical Adjust**.
3. In the **Optical Adjust Tuning** areas of both Main and Remote, verify that the **Optical Adjust Status** is **Successful**.

4. The adjustment procedure compensations are made for variations in F/O loss of up to 9 optical dB or 18 dB and the following inputs:
  - Passive (BTS) Interface input: 0 dBm
  - RIU (BTS) Interface input: -20 dBm

**NOTES:**

1. The **Optical Loss** parameter shows the optical loss over the F/O cable and connectors, calculated during the optical adjustment procedure.
2. To reset the optical adjustment according to the default input values and 0 dB gain, click the **Default Attenuation Values** button in the Main and the Remote window area.

## 4.7 AGC Setting

By default, MA 1500 operates with AGC OFF. You may set the system to run with AGC ON and in addition modify the AGC parameters.

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**NOTE:** Only experienced users should modify the AGC parameters.

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### 4.7.1 Enabling/Disabling AGC

#### To enable/disable AGC

1. Login at **Field Eng** user level and access the **Operator** tab.
2. Under **RF Measurements, Configuration**, click on the **AGC Mode** browse (...) button and set AGC to **ON**.

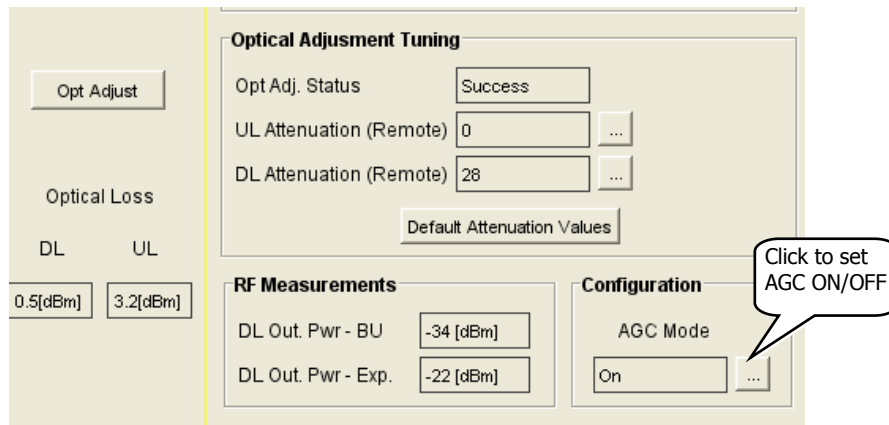


Figure 4-8: Enabling/Disabling AGC

## 4.7.2 Changing AGC Settings

### To change the AGC Settings

1. Login at **Field Eng** user level and access the **Advanced** tab.
2. Under **Remote Advanced Parameters, AGC Parameters**, you may modify the following AGC parameters by clicking the corresponding Browse (...) button and choosing the new values:
  - AGC threshold – adjusted to prevent AGC action on noise peaks
  - AGC Hysteresis - Prevents minor excursions around a set point
  - AGC Smoothing - Smoothing over a moving time window

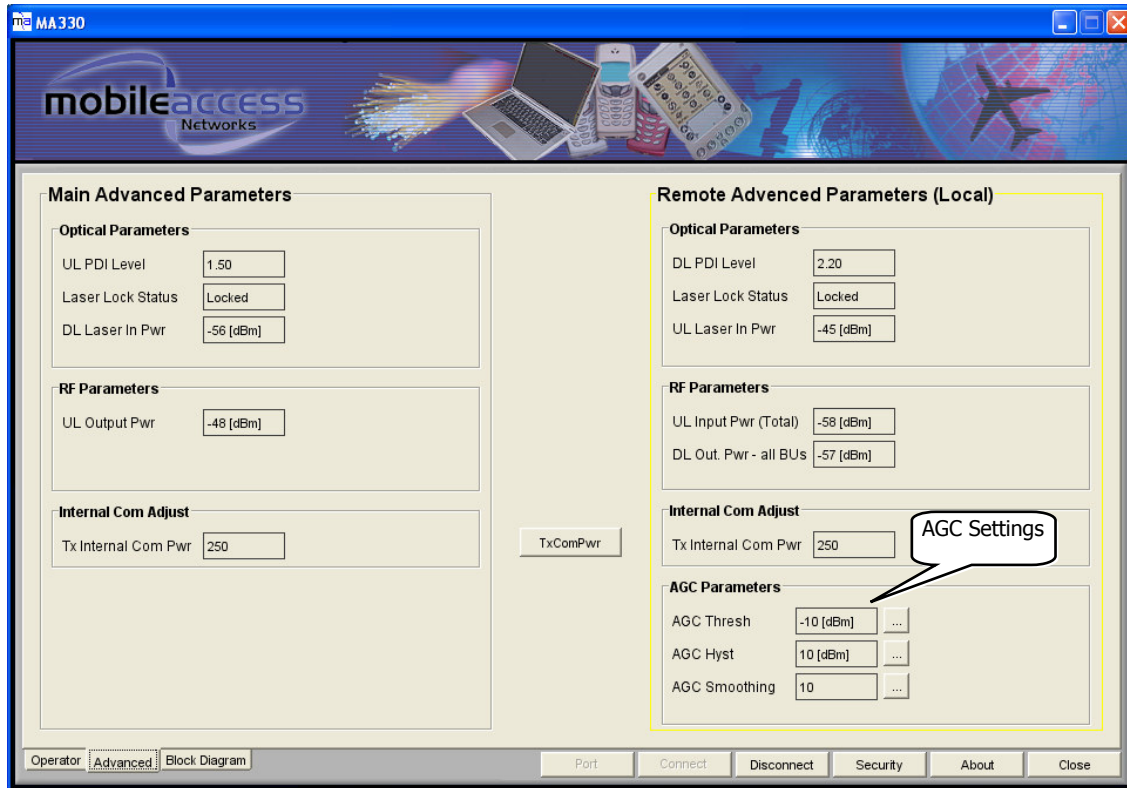


Figure 4-9: Enabling/Disabling AGC

## 4.8 Monitoring

The MA 1500 GUI enables you to monitor system status as well as the RF and Optical signal levels at significant points in the uplink and downlink. These can be used for verifying the link status and for fault sourcing.

The monitored points are clearly shown in the diagram accessible by clicking the **Block Diagram** tab. The parameters are located in both the Operator and the Advanced tabs.

### 4.8.1 Monitoring System Status

After commissioning the MA 1500 system, the MA 1500 setup application may be used to monitor the link RF signal values

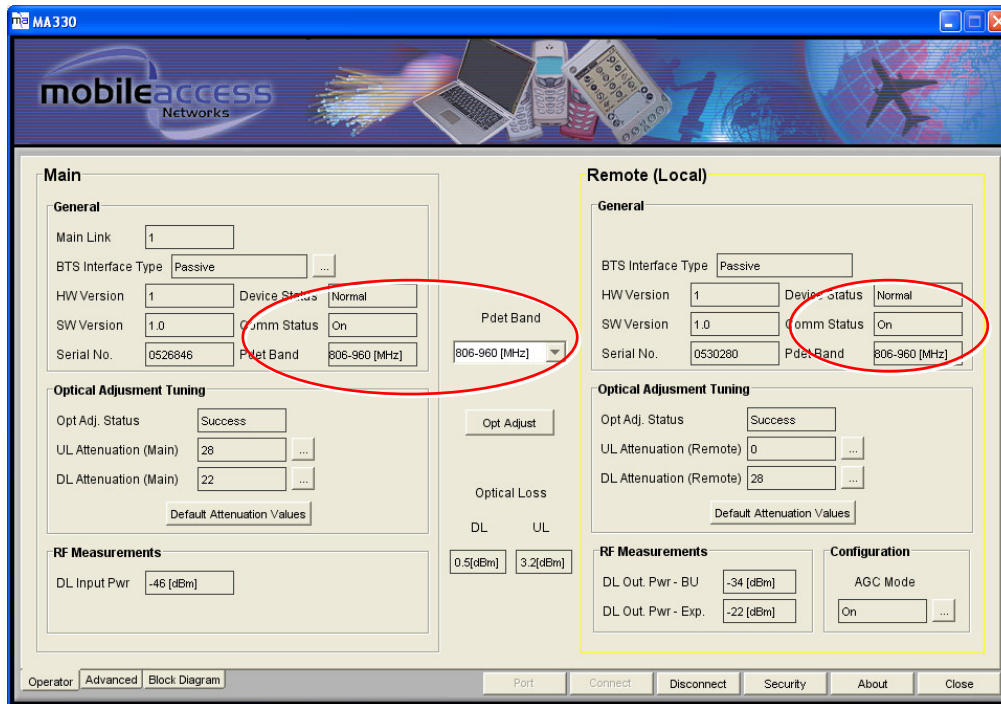


Table 4-1. MA 1500 Status Parameters

| Parameter               | Description  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <b>Device Status</b>    | Unit operational status and error indication:<br>Normal - no errors detected<br>Minor – minor error detected<br>Major – major error detected   |
| <b>Opt. Adj. Status</b> | Status of optical adjustment procedure:<br>Success – procedure performed successfully<br>Fail – adjustment procedure failed<br>Default – adjustment procedure not performed  |
| <b>COMM Status</b>      | Corresponds to COM LED on the front panel. Status of communication between Remote and Main measured according to the (MER) Message Error Rate :<br>OFF – No communication detected.<br>ON - Communication OK.<br>Partial – Communication fault |
| <b>Pdet Band</b>        | Shows the band at which the RF power readings (power detection) are performed.   |

### 4.8.2 Monitoring the RF Parameters

You can monitor the approximate level of the following RF parameters in the **Operator's** tab:

- DL Input PWR – approximate power input from the BTS interface source
- DL Out PWR – BU – approximate output power to individual Base Units
- DL Out PWR – Exp – approximate output power to the Expansion Box

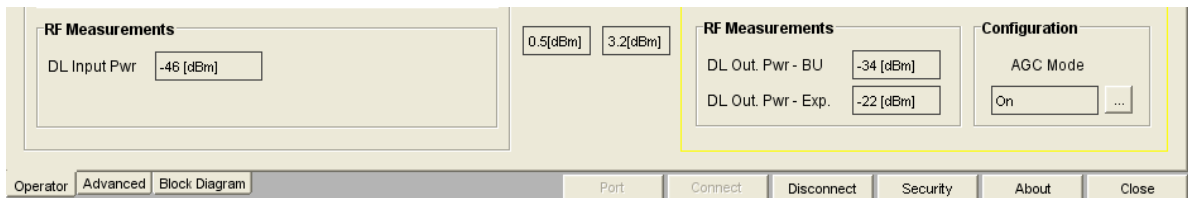


Figure 4-10: RF Parameters in the Operator tab

The following RF parameters are available in the **Advanced** tab:

- DL Out PWR – all BUs – approximate power entering all BUs before it is distributed between the BUs
- UL Input PWR – the approximate power input from the BU interface source



- UL Out PWR – BU – approximate output power towards the BTS interface

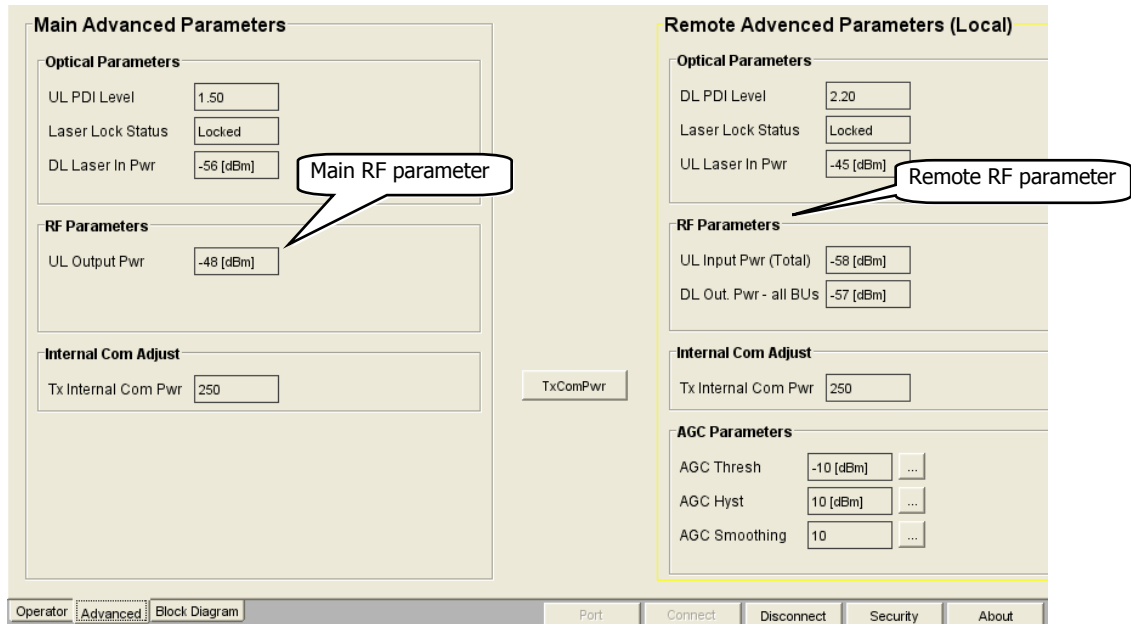


Figure 4-11: RF Parameters in the Advanced tab

### 4.8.3 Monitoring the Optical Parameters

Parameters indicating the condition of the optical elements are located in the Advanced tab as shown below.

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**NOTE:** The optical adjustment related parameters are located in the Operator's tab and are described in section 4.5.1.1 – Commissioning.

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The following optical parameters are available in the **Advanced** tab:

- UL PDI level (Remote/Main) – indicates whether optical level is within range (Normal), High, or Low.
- Laser lock status – indicates status of laser: Locked = Normal, Unlocked = Fault
- DL/UL Laser in PWR – indicates whether level of optical signal is within range

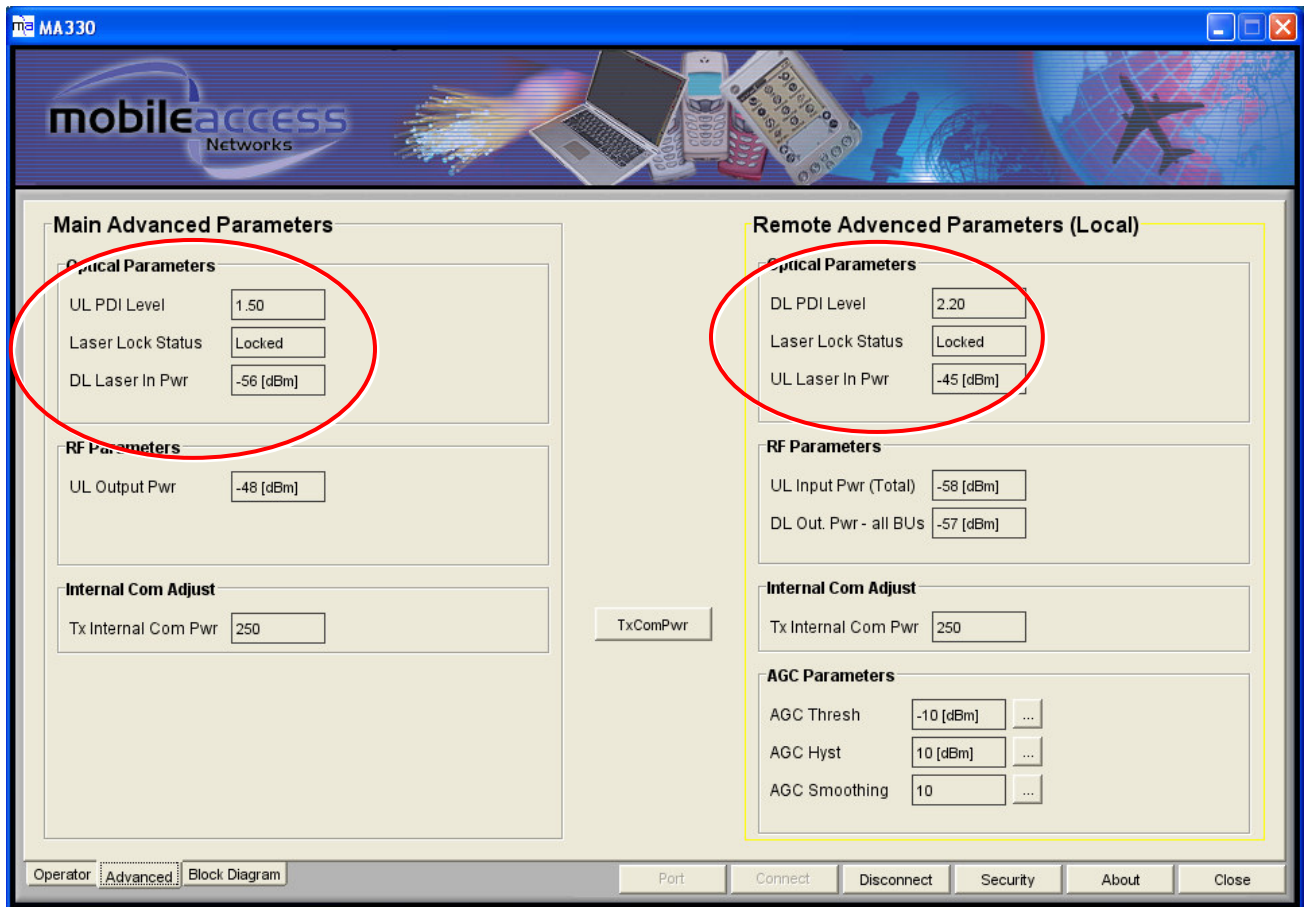


Figure 4-12: RF Parameters in the Advanced tab

## 4.9 Viewing Versions

You may need to identify information such as serial number, or versions of the installed units for upgrade purposes or for reporting to the MobileAccess representative. These are displayed in the Operator tab under the Main and Remote window areas.

## 4.10 Security Management

### 4.10.1 Authorization Levels and Passwords

Access is enabled at three authorization levels. Each level is provided with a default password that can be changed through the **Security** menu.

#### Authorization Levels

- **Oper** – enables the user to view the configuration and the events display. Events acknowledge capabilities are not available to Operator level users.

Default password = 'oper'

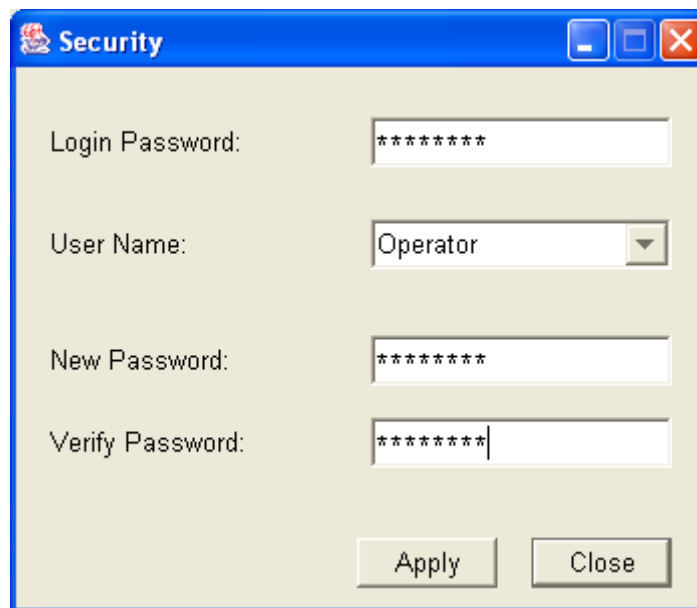
- **Field Eng** – provides configuration capabilities to all options displayed at this entry level.

Default password = 'eng'

- **Technical Support** – restricted to MA service personnel.

### To modify the password

Click on the **Security** tab on the bottom menu in the **Operator** window. The following dialog appears.

A screenshot of a Windows-style dialog box titled "Security". The dialog has a blue title bar with standard minimize, maximize, and close buttons. The main area is light beige and contains four input fields: "Login Password:" with a text box containing "\*\*\*\*\*"; "User Name:" with a dropdown menu showing "Operator"; "New Password:" with a text box containing "\*\*\*\*\*"; and "Verify Password:" with a text box containing "\*\*\*\*\*". At the bottom right, there are two buttons: "Apply" and "Close".

1. In the **Login Password**, enter the current password.
2. Select the **User Name** whose password is to be modified.
3. In **New Password** type the new password. Type the password again in **Verify Password**.
4. Click **Apply**.