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OPERATION MANUAL

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Caution Statements

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CAUTION Turn Off Test Tone

Do not forget to turn off the test tone when you are done with your uplink. Better check one extra time. They will otherwise interfere with the normal operation of the system by causing noise to the base station.

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About This Manual

This manual covers the operating & maintenance instructions for the following models:

DeltaNode Fiber-DAS

Changes to this Manual

We have made every effort to ensure this manual is accurate. If you discover any errors, or if you have suggestions for improving this manual, please send your comments to our Solon, Ohio factory. This manual may be periodically updated. When inquiring about updates to this manual refer to the part number: 920-Fiber-DAS; and revision: P1.

Chapter Layout

Introduction — Describes the fundamentals of the DeltaNode Fiber-DAS and provides a list of commonly used abbreviations and acronyms.

System Description — Describes the Major components that make up a DeltaNode Fiber-DAS system.

System Design — Introduces Link Budget calculations, and the elements of designing a Fiber-DAS system.

Installation Guidelines — Provides FCC requirements and safety considerations when installing a DeltaNode Fiber-DAS.

Commissioning — Lists the preparations and equipment required to successfully install and commission the DeltaNode Fiber-DAS.

RF Commissioning — Chapter contains useful advice on how to design a well working system as well as examples for fine tuning link a budget and controlling noise in a DeltaNode Fiber-DAS.

Model Identification — Provides a breakdown of the DeltaNode part numbers for the Fiber-DAS systems. A table of part numbers used for Remote Units is also provided.

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CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

This manual contains both guidelines on how to design a system using the DeltaNode fiber distributed antenna system (Fiber-DAS) concept and how to install, commission and maintain such a system for the life span of the entire installation. It will also contain many bits of information regarding general practices in the industry as well as other information.

When other manufacturers have converted off-air repeaters into fiber-fed repeaters, DeltaNode has developed the concept from scratch with fiber distribution in mind from the start. This allows for extremely good radio performance and we are proud of the best in class noise figure of less than 3 dB for the whole system, remote unit antenna port to base station interface port.

The Fiber-DAS from DeltaNode is also extremely flexible in its solution meaning that the system can be tailored for almost any needs. Because of the flexibility there are also many parameters that can be changed by the user. This manual attempts to explain not only what they do, but also how to set them properly.

Fiber-DAS calculator — Together with this manual you should have the aid of the Fiber-DAS calculator, this is an Excel spreadsheet with the following features giving a measure on how well the system will perform:

- ✓ System Noise Figure calculator
- ✓ Intermodulation performance calculator
- ✓ Uplink / Downlink Balance
- ✓ Dynamic headroom

RF on fiber

A fiber distributed antenna system (Fiber-DAS) is a very efficient way of transmitting radio signals over large distances. Up to about 25 km of fiber between the head-end and the remote unit is allowed, providing that the radio access technology (RAN) do not suffer timing issues and that the fiber loss is within the specification.

The main principle is to use an infra-red light source which is modulated with the combined radio signals that needs to be propagated. The fiber channel system is ultra wide-band, ranging from 88 MHz up to 2600 MHz and thus covering most types of radio communication systems such as FM broadcast, VHF communication radios, TETRA, GSM, CDMA, WCDMA and other radio access technologies that are available.

The dynamic of the fiber is good enough to tolerate multi-carrier, multi-band and multi-operator solutions this way, but of course they all share the available dynamics and if there are a very large number of carriers the fiber attenuation needs to be looked at of course.

Because most land mobile radio systems and cellular systems are using Frequency Division Duplex (FDD) this means that there needs to be either two separate fibers, one for the uplink (signals from the terminal towards the base station) and for the downlink (signals from the radio base station towards the terminal) or they may be multiplexed on the same fiber using different wavelengths.

DeltaNode Fiber-DAS use wave-length division multiplexing (WDM) as the normal configuration featuring the following:.

- ✓ Single mode fiber
- ✓ Angled connectors
- ✓ Optical loss < 15 dB</p>

Note: Separate UL/DL fibers can be used if it is necessary or desired.

Because the modulation is analogue the system requires the fibers to be of single mode type. All connectors used in DeltaNode equipment for Fiber-DAS are of SC-APC type with a 7° angle. It is very important that all connectors in patches et cetera between the Master Unit (MU) and the Remote Unit (RU) are angled, otherwise reflections are caused which will cause problems with the quality of the signals through the system.

Definitions

The following abbreviations, industry standard lingo and acronyms are used in this document.

BGW	Base station Gateway
BIU	Base station interface. Also known as the DIU. It is the electrical interface between the Master Unit (MU) and the operator radio base station or another source for the radio signals, such as a off-air repeater.
BTS	See RBS.
DAS	A distributed antenna system. Several antennas connected together in a coaxial network so that several antennas can be fed a signal from a central location.
DL	See "Downlink"
Downlink	The signals that are transmitted from a base station towards a terminal (phone).
Fiber	In this document it refers to the telecommunication fibers used to transmit modulated light as pulses or analogue variations on a glass fiber. The DeltaNode Fiber-DAS system should use single-mode fiber always.
Fiber-DAS	A general name for distribution systems using radio frequency on fiber (RF on Fiber) technology. DAS means "Distributed Antenna System" which refers to the practice of building "spreading nets" with coaxial cables, splitters and antennas to cover larger structures.
FOI	Fiber-optic interface. Also known as DOI (DeltaNode Optical Interface)
FOR	Fiber-optic remote interface, part of the Remote Unit connecting to the fiber.
GSM	Global System for Mobile Communications
iDEN	Integrated Digital Enhanced Network
LTE	Long Term Evolution
ми	Master Unit. This is a rack that contains all the modules that builds up to the head end in the system. This is where the radio base stations interface to the Fiber-DAS system. This is also where the downlink signals from the base stations are converted into laser light and sent over the fiber-optics to the Remote Unit (RU) and the uplink signals from the RU are converted to radio frequency signals and transmitted to the radio base station (RBS, BTS).
POI	Point of Interconnect, RF splitter/combiner unit
QMA	Type of RF Connector. Quick disconnect version of SMA RF Connectors. See SMA
RBS	Radio Base Station. The infrastructure unit normally connected to the antennas in the radio access network (RAN) and sometimes called just Base Station or Base Transceiver Station (BTS).
RGW	Remote Gateway Unit
RU	Remote Unit. This is the unit closest to the antenna that converts the downlink signal from the fiber to radio frequencies and distributes it over the antenna system. In the reverse, the uplink radio frequencies are converted to modulated laser light and transmitted back to the Master Unit (MU).
SC-APC	The type of connector used for all DeltaNode optical equipment. It is recommended that all connectors between the MU and the RU are of this type. SC-AP can also be accepted in patch panels. All connectors MUST BE ANGLED to avoid signal reflections that are detrimental to the signal quality. Fibers need to be of single-mode type.
Single mode fiber	A fiber where the light at a specified range of wavelengths only have a single path through. This is required for analogue modulated systems such as the DeltaNode Fiber-DAS system
SMA	Sub-miniature version A. A Type of RF Connector.

Switch	A network switch is a computer networking device that connects devices together on a computer network.
TETRA	Terrestrial Trunked Radio. TETRA uses Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) with four user channels on one radio carrier and 25 kHz spacing between carriers.
UL	See "Uplink"
UMTS	Universal Mobile Telecommunications System is a system where broadband signaling and packeted data are used. The standards are handled in the 3GPP group and the most common type of modulation is WCDMA.
Uplink	The signals that are transmitted from the terminal (phone) towards the base station.
SC-PC	A type of fiber-optic connector which is not angled and should not be used with DeltaNode Fiber-DAS
SC-UPC	Ultra-polished fiber-optic connector. Not recommended with DeltaNode Fiber-DAS
RF	Radio Frequencies, denominates the range of transversal electromagnetic waves with a frequency from 3 kHz to 300 GHz. The upper end of the spectrum is often referred to as microwave frequencies.
WCDMA W-CDMA	Wideband Code Division Multiple Access is a technology employed by base station manufacturers who make UMTS base stations. This technology is commonly used in 3G networks and the main modulation employed in Europe.

The Fiber-DAS system consists of two major parts. This is the Master Unit (MU) and one or more Remote Units (RU) connected to the Master Unit via optical fibers. Each Remote Unit needs to be connected to a fiber, but up to four RU's can share a single fiber link using optical splitters.

Master Unit

The Master Unit consists of a 19-inch rack with modules that are selected depending on the system design. Generally all Master Units contain:

- ✓ Power supply
- ✓ ,At least one Base Station Interface Unit (BIU)
- ✓ At least one Fiber-Optic Interface card (FOI)
- ✓ Point of Interconnect (POI)
- ✓ Network switch connects communications paths between the modules
- ✓ Remote Gateway Unit (RGW) or the Base Station Gateway Unit (BGW) RGW is a smaller compact embedded solution while the BGW is a full featured Linux server that can be set up in many different ways

The master unit will assign IP addresses to all the subunits in the rack and also for the Remote Units when they are connected to the system via the build in DHCP server present in the RGW and BGW modules. This is will configure itself automatically and create a protected sub-net for the system itself that should not be connected directly to a LAN.

For remote supervision a gateway (RGW or BGW) is installed. The gateway acts as a firewall and will make sure that the internal traffic in the system stays internal and that the web interface for monitoring and supervision as well as SNMP trap forward is handled as expected.

Each of the modules will be described in the following sections.

Master Frame Unit (MFU)

The Master Frame Unit (MFU) houses the Power Supplies, FOI cards and BIUs. <u>Figure 1</u> shows an MFU equipped with 3 BIUs, 6 FOIs and one Power Supply.

Figure 1 Master Frame Unit



Functional description

One MFU supports several modules which can be placed anywhere in the frame or as a combination of several different types of units in a frame. There are 16U positions in the MFU that can be utilized, each module type has a different width (see each module's specifications) so the number of module that will fit in an MFU varies. One MFU can house up to 4 power supplies or 8 base station interface cards or 16 fiber-optic interface cards. See <u>Table 1</u>.

Each MFU needs at least one power supply, but they do not necessarily have to be placed in the MFU that they power. Quite often a system has more than one power supply and they are usually placed together in one MFU for easy access. Each MFU has two molex connectors that can be connected to a power supply. This allows for a primary and a redundant power supply to be connected to it to ensure operation even if one power supply should fail.

The MFU also contains fans used to ventilate the units housed in the frame. These are high quality fans that have a high MTBF.

Table 1 MFU Specifications

Parameter	Value
Input voltage	28 VDC
Power connector	Molex, 10 Pin
Ethernet connector	RJ45
Weight (without modules)	2.5 kg
Temperature range, Operational	0-45 °C
Width	19 Inch
Height	3 U
Depth	300 mm
Maximum number of modules supported	·
PSU	4
BIU	8
FOI	16

Base Station Interface Unit (BIU)

The Base Station Interface Unit (BIU) is the interface between the operator's base station and the Fiber-DAS system. This module has several RF connectors on the front panel and it contains duplex filters (optional) or separate uplink/downlink paths which can be chosen depending on the needs for the connection to the base station. In most cases the duplexed version with a combined DL/UL port is used.

Figure 2 Base Station Interface Unit (BIU)



Functional description

The BIU has four SMA ports (female type) to connect the RBS/BTS. In the duplexed version combined DL/UL connectors are used to connect to the RBS, and there are UL test (TP) connectors present that can be used to monitor the signal out from the BIU. In the version without duplex filters the test connectors replaced by UL connectors and the normally combined UL/DL connectors are replaced by DL only connectors.

The BIU has four QMA ports (female type) that are normally used to connect it to a POI. There are two uplink (input) ports and two downlink (output, TX) ports. These are two separate paths, the isolation between DL 1 and DL 2 is > 50 dB and the isolation between the UL 1 and UL 2 ports is also > 50 dB.

There are two separate RF paths in the BIU and the BIU is configured at the factory for the specific frequency band it will serve. The two paths in the BIU cannot have different frequencies; a GSM 900 BIU will have two GSM 900 paths and cannot be combined with an 1800 path. Separate frequencies require an additional BIU card to be inserted.

RF patch cables are used to patch the DL and UL paths to the POI.

There is an alarm port on the BIU which (future upgrade) can be used to connect external alarms. This is a DB9 female connector.

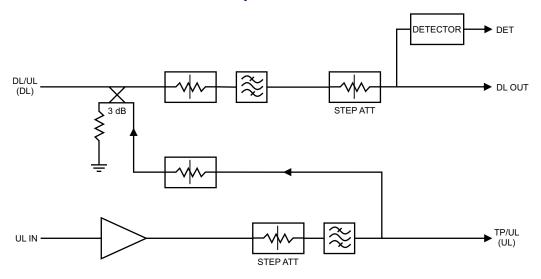
The BIU is technology neutral and the downlink path contains settable attenuators that can be used to adjust the signal strength to proper levels before feeding them into the POI. In the uplink there is an amplifier followed by a settable attenuator used to adjust the signal and the noise level into the base station uplink.

All RF connections are made on the front of the BIU. The maximum recommended input power to the BIU is 30 dBm and there are high power alarms that activate at > 30 dBm and low power alarms at < 10 dBm input power. A higher input power than the recommended can cause the unit to fail permanently thus needing replacement. It is therefore recommended that for high power base station an attenuator is used to ensure that the input power to the BIU can never exceed specifications.

There is a 0 dBm input version of the BIU available on request.

The schematic in <u>Figure 3</u> shows the blocks in the BIU for one of the channels and how the signal detector for the downlink level alarms are connected.

Figure 3 Schematic of One BIU RF path



 $\underline{\text{Table 2}}$ lists standard cellular BIU's. Other configurations are available upon request as well as units without internal duplex filtering.

Table 2 Standard variants of the BIU

Part No	Configuration	UL MHz	DL MHz	BTS I/F
DBI303	2 x TETRA 390 MHz [†]	380-385	390-395	Duplex
DBI307	2 x 700 MHZ ABC-band	698-716	728-746	Duplex
DBI308S	2 x SMR 800	806-825	851-870	Duplex
DBI308	2 x 850 MHz	824-849	869-894	Duplex
DBI309	2 x 900 MHz	880-915	925-960	Duplex
DBI318	2 x 1800 MHz	1710-1785	1805-1880	Duplex
DBI319	2 x 1900 MHz	1850-1910	1930-1990	Duplex
DBI320	2 x UMTS 2100 MHz	1920-1980	2110-2170	Duplex
DBI321	2 x AWS 2100 MHz	1710-1755	2110-2155	Duplex

^{†.} Several options exists for 5 MHz standard bands for TETRA

Table 3 RF and electrical performance of the BIU

Parameter		Value	Unit
Downlink attenuation	Settable	10-30 ± 3	dB
Uplink Gain for modules < 1000 MHz	Settable	10 to 20 ± 3	dB
Uplink Gain for modules > 1000 MHz	Settable	-10 to 10 ± 3	dB
IM3 performance		> 55	dB
Max input non-destructive		> 36	dBm
High input alarm threshold level		33	dBm
Low input alarm threshold level		10	dBm
Input return loss		> 20	dB
Impedance for all RF ports		50	Ω
Isolation between ports		> 60	dB
Power consumption		< 15	W
Temperature range		0-45	°C

Table 4 BIU mechanical specifications

Parameter	Value
Base station RF ports	SMA, Female
Test ports uplink (if present)	SMA, Female
Interconnecting RF ports to POI	QMA, Female
Alarm connector	DB9, Female
Dimensions, Rack Unit	
Width	2U
Height	3U

BIU Indicator Operation

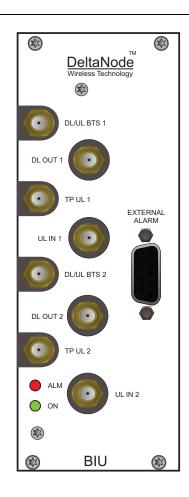
The BIU has two LEDs located on the front panel. One is the power on LED (green) and the other is the alarm LED (red). Both LEDs indicate a number of states by different flashing behaviors.

In an error state the web interface should be used to check the actual condition of the BIU but the LEDs on the front can give you a quick indication on the state of the unit. It is also useful for locating the physical unit if you have several BIUs installed in the same rack.

Table 5 Indicator behavior

State	ON LED	ALARM LED	Note
Booting	2 Hz	Off	Normal boot
Booting standalone mode	2 Hz	2 Hz	Not attached to rack
Booting read of MAC address failed	2 Hz	On	Error
Starting	0,1 Hz 90%	0,1 Hz 90%	Kernel startup
Operation	0,5 Hz 10%	Off	Normal operation
Operation	0,5 Hz 10%	1 Hz 10%	Minor alarm state
Operation	0,5 Hz 10%	2 Hz 25%	Major alarm state
Operation	0,5 Hz 10%	On	Critical alarm state

Figure 4 BIU Interfaces

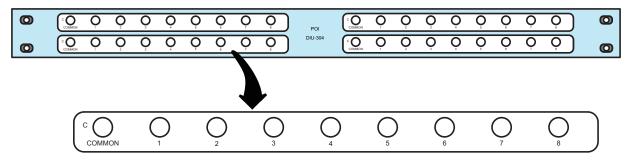


Item	Description
DL/UL BTS 1 / 2	This is RF path where the radio base station (RBS) is connected (SMA) to the BIU. Do not exceed the power rating in the downlink for the port.
TP UL 1/2	This is a test port (SMA) for the uplink. It shows the uplink signal in the DL/UL BTS port - 6 dB. This port is replaced by the UL port on a non-duplexed version of the BIU.
DL OUT 1/2	These are the output ports (QMA) for the downlink signals after they have been treated in the BIU with attenuators and filters.
UL IN 1/2	Uplink signals are connected to the BIU using these ports (QMA). The BIU will amplify and/or attenuate the signals as appropriate.
EXTERNAL ALARMS	Used for external alarm monitoring (future upgrade).
ON/ALM LED	The LEDs indicate various states, see <u>Table 5</u> .

Point of Interconnect (POI)

The Point of Interconnect (POI) contains 4 1:8 splitters and some attenuators. This is a coupling field used to tie together the signals between the BIUs and the FOIs in a multiple band or multiple operator system.

Figure 5 Point of Interconnect (POI)



Each of the 4 fields has a COMMON port and ports 1-8. If used as a combiner then the signals to combine are connected to ports 1-8 and the sum of the signals (minus insertion loss) is output on the COMMON port.

When used as a splitter, the combined signal is input on the COMMON port and equal signals of the same strength (minus insertion loss) are output on ports 1-8 .

Table 6 POI Specifications

Parameter	Value
Insertion loss COMMON to any port 1:8	35 dB, Nominal
IM3 performance	> 50dB
Return loss performance	> 20dB
Maximum signal input level	20dBm
Isolation between ports in same strip	> 15dB
Isolation between ports in different strips	> 60dB

Fiber Optic Interface (FOI) unit

The FOI converts the RF signals in the downlink to fiber-optical laser output that is transmitted on the fiber to the remote unit. It also receives the laser light transmitted by the Remote Unit and converts it back to RF signals that are then routed to the POI and then to the BIU.

Figure 6 Fiber Optic Interface (FOI) Unit



The FOI is available in either a single head fiber interface (with WDM) configuration or with a dual head fiber interface with separate RX and TX connectors.

Each FOI can serve up to 4 Remote Units on a single fiber. The drawback is that the Remote Units must have different optical wavelengths in the uplink to avoid interference. They can however share the same optical wavelength in the downlink.

Functional description

WARNING

Avoid looking into connected fibers and receptacles.

The laser used in this system is a Class 3b laser that produces invisible infra-red coherent light. Not safe to view with optical instruments. Always put the protection caps on unused fibers and receptacles.

The FOI has a nominal gain of 35 dB and the laser transmitter should see a maximum composite input power of ca 0 dBm. This means that for 0 dB attenuation in the DL a maximum input of -35 dBm composite power is recommended (when attenuators are set to 0 dBm). If the DL attenuator is set to a higher value the maximum recommended input is adjusted accordingly.

The output power of the laser is calibrated to 3 000 μ W. This can be used to check the loss over fiber in the remote because the remote reports the received optical levels. The loss may be different in the UL compared to the DL because of different wavelengths on the laser.

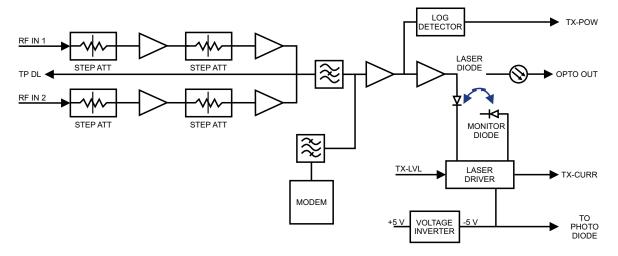
The FOI is powered from the MFU backplane and communicates with Ethernet with the other modules in the Master Unit

The unit contains several adjustable attenuators which are used to compensate for loss before the FOI (e.g. in the POI) and for loss on the fiber in the uplink. There are two sets of RF ports on the FOI that can be used to connect signals from two different strips in the POI.

The Ethernet communication between the Master Unit and the Remote Unit takes place on two sub-carriers in the FOI where the Ethernet signals are superimposed on the RF signals.

<u>Figure 7</u> is a block diagram showing the downlink path in the FOI and how the test port is connected. As you can see there are two attenuators that can be set in the DL path, this allows for balancing the input signals from two different signal sources so that they can share the dynamics of the laser properly.

Figure 7 FOI Block Diagram

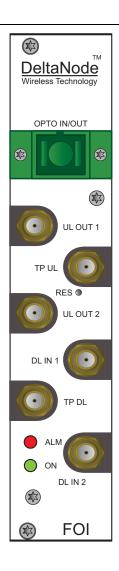


The RF drive levels are measured and accessible in the web interface so that they can be checked. In the future alarm levels may be added to these test points.

This interface is designed to work with SC-APC connectors (7° angled physical connector) and single mode fibers only. All connectors between the master unit and the remote unit should be of angled type, otherwise problems with reflections will arise which may cause severe problems in the system.

- ✓ Single mode fiber
- ✓ Angled connectors
- ✓ Optical loss < 15 dB

Figure 8 FOI Interfaces



Item	Description	
OPTO IN/OUT	This is the receptacle for the optical fiber. The illustration shows the module with built in WDM (combined RX/TX). The version without WDM has two connectors one for TX and one for RX.	
UL OUT 1/2	These are the RF ports that normally are patched to the POI for interconnecting and then on to the BIU.	
DL IN 1/2	These are the RF connectors where the signal in the DL from the POI is patched into the FOI for conversion to laser light.	
TP UL/DL	These are test ports that can be used to check the signal levels or noise in the system.	

There are also two LEDs on the unit which can be used to check the status according to the following table:

Table 7 FOI LED indicators

State	ON LED	ALARM LED	Note
Booting	2 Hz	Off	Normal boot
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Booting read of MAC address failed	2 Hz	On	Error
Starting	0,1 Hz 90%	0,1 Hz 90%	Kernel startup
Operation	0,5 Hz 10%	Off	Normal operation
Operation	0,5 Hz 10%	1 Hz 10%	Minor alarm state
Operation	0,5 Hz 10%	2 Hz 25%	Major alarm state
Operation	0,5 Hz 10%	On	Critical alarm state

Table 8 FOI Specifications

Parameter	Value
Maximum fiber loss from MU to RU, Optical,	15 dBo
Optical output power, Calibrated	3 000 μW
Maximum number of RU supported on single fiber	4
Input RF power recommended, Composite	-50 to -35 dBm [†]
Power consumption	< 15 W
Operational Temperature range	0 to 45 °C
Dimensions	
Width	1 U
Height	3 U
Optical connector type	SC-APC
RF connector type	QMA Female

^{†.} Depends on attenuator settings. For 0 dB attenuation composite level should be < -35 dBm.

Table 9 FOI variants

Parameter	Wavelength		
DOI 301	1310 nm Rx and Tx separate		
DOI 302 (WDM)	1310 nm Rx and Tx on same fibe		
DOI 308x	Separate Rx and Tx various wavelengths available †		

^{†.} The DOI 308 version can be ordered with various wavelengths. The actual wavelengths that are possible are available upon request to info@deltanode.com.

PSU - the rack power supply

The power supply unit can handle up to one full shelf of active units, such as BIU or FOI. If your system consists of more than one shelf, a PSU is added for each shelf.

Figure 9 PSU



Functional description

The Power Supply Unit is normally delivered as a 240 VAC version for Europe and 115 VAC version for US or other countries using this voltage. A -48 VDC telecom version is available.

All connectors are on the front side of the power supply. The picture shows the PSU equipped with European power inlet. Output are two 10 pin Molex connectors that will be connected to the shelf the PSU is supplying power to. One connector should always be connected to the shelf that the PSU is located in (for driving the fans).

One shelf can handle up to 4 power supplies. Each shelf can have two PSU's connected to it for redundancy.

Table 10 PSU Specifications

Parameter	Value
Input power voltage, Mains	86-264 VAC
Input power frequency, Mains	50 / 60 Hz
Operating temperature	0-45 °C
Power rating	240 W

Base Station Master unit Gateway (BGW)

Base Station Master unit Gateway (BGW) is a self-powered Linux based server. It assigns IP addresses to all the modules in the system, including the Remote Units as well as their components. Modules in a Master Unit will inherit their IP addresses via DHCP leases and by way of inhering the MAC addresses from the backplane we can ensure that a new module inserted in the rack receives the same address as the one it is replacing, without any need of manual configuration.

Features of the BGW:

- ✓ Web interface configuration
- ✓ Automatic detection of modules
- ✓ Automatic detection of Remote Units
- ✓ Can handle large systems
- ✓ Functions for statistics
- ✓ Northbound communication to CGW
- ✓ Includes firewall to protect local net
- ✓ Is the portal to your Master Unit
- ✓ User-provided certificate based security via HTTPS

Figure 10 Base station master unit gateway



If the BGW is replaced the Remote Units may not show up immediately. This is due to the lease time on the address they have. Eventually they will request a new address and when this is done they will show up.

The BGW is the unit responsible for alarm handling and remote forward of alarms either by SMTP mail forwarding or by SNMP traps. A MIB file for your SNMP system is available from DeltaNode upon request as well as documentation regarding SNMP.

The BGW can also launch VPN tunnels to a remote supervision center called the Central Gateway (CGW). This makes it possible to manage multiple systems from a single place. The CGW will be described later in this manual.

The BGW has two Ethernet ports. One is connected to the internal network in the Master Unit to provide the local network for all the modules, the Remote Units and everything else. It also provides, via the built-in switch in the Master Unit, a way of locally configuring the network. It provides the web interface for all the settings of the system as well as many other functions. Secondly there is a "northbound" Ethernet port that allows the BGW to connect to the Internet, or a WAN/MAN type of larger network. This means that the system can be monitored and managed remotely.

A Virtual Private Network (VPN) tunnel can be set up from the BGW to a central location using a CGW. The CGW can handle a large number of such tunnels, providing a central point for supervising all the installations and collecting alarms and statistics from all the systems as well as centralized alarm management. The BGW can actually set up a second tunnel, which is sometimes done to the DeltaNode management center where we can help with management and supervision. This is a service that we provide if needed.

Table 11 BGW specifications

Parameter	Value
Input power voltage, Mains	100-240 VAC
Input power frequency, Mains	50 / 60 Hz
Operating temperature	10-30 °C
Power rating, Typical	< 100 W
Height	1 U
Width	19 ln.
Depth	360 mm
Weight	< 5 kg

A BGW can also be set up in factory for a special need, it will then be delivered together with a restore image that allows the customer to restore it quickly in case of a hardware failure.

RGW - the compact remote gateway

The RGW is a small unit similar to the BGW but intended for small systems where there is a low number of remotes or where there is no head-end and therefore the RGW has a form factor that allows it to be mounted inside a repeater casing.

This can be used to run up to 4 Remote Units from a single Repeater on a single Fiber. The RGW has the capability to connect Northbound to a Central Gateway (CGW) just like the BGW does and it can also forward alarms through a VPN tunnel to a CGW.

The memory capacity and features are reduced compared to the BGW but for a small system with a single fiber this may be an option to use.

The RGW can be equipped with a modem to allow access to a system in a remote location where there is no Ethernet. The modem is usually a 3G modem which enables the RGW to set up a tunnel to a Central Gateway unit (CGW) enabling supervision, monitoring and control of the system

Remote Unit (RU)

There are many different kinds of remote units with a wide range of gain and output power to cater to many different needs. A low and medium power unit can house up to 4 different frequency bands in one unit, the high power versions can handle up to 2 different bands in one single unit.

Chassis types

Remote units (RUs) are available in mainly two different chassis, a single compact chassis for 1-2 bands and a dual chassis for up to 4 bands (Figure 11). Table 12 shows how they can be configured:

Table 12 Chassis types

Chassis type	Low	Medium	High
Single chassis	1-2	1-2	1
Dual chassis	3-4	3-4	2

It is also possible to have combinations of the above. For example it is possible to build a dual chassis with 2 medium power bands and 1 high power band in the same remote. Each side of a dual chassis is virtually identical to a single chassis remote unit. This ensures unparalleled flexibility when building multiple operator / multiple band solutions.

A dual chassis may have 1-2 optical remote units (FOR). This way they can be fed from different directions for redundancy.

Figure 11 Remote Unit Chassis Types







Because of the larger power amplifiers used for high power RU's the need for more cooling and room allows only 2 bands in the same double chassis. Remotes can also be daisy-chained by way of RF cables, meaning up to two chassis can share the same fiber-optical interface providing up to 8 bands in a single location.

<u>Table 13</u> contains a list of the most common remote units that are used with the DeltaNode Fiber-DAS system. Variants are available upon request.

Common for all Remote Units is their excellent noise figure, contributing to an overall noise figure for the whole system from remote to head-end into the base station of < 3 dB for the RF link.

Both chassis comply with IP65 protection for use in any environment. The coating is a durable coating which aids the convection cooling. No fans are used for the Remote Units. Both chassis are available with either wall or pole mounting kits, as requested.

Note: Remote Unit's are completely assembled at our factory, no integration of the Remote Unit's components is required.

Table 13 Remote comparison table

Product code	Pout (ETSI)†	Pout (FCC)	Bands
DDR medium power)	26-30	36	1-4
DDS (High power quad band)	30-41	41	1-4
DDH (high power)	32-43	43	1-2
DDH2 (Dual amplifiers)	N/A	46	1

^{†.} Actual power determined by frequency band and spectrum demands.

DDR

DeltaNode's Distributed Radio head is a high performing wideband radio head equipped with a linear power amplifier supporting all modulations. The light weight, convection cooled IP65 chassis secures the performance in almost any environment.

ETSI standard

Table 14 General Specifications

Noise Figure	Typical	3	dB
Delay excluding optical fiber		< 0,5	μς
Power Supply	Mains	85 – 264	VAC or VDC
Operating Temperature		-25 - +55	
Casing		IP65	

Table 15 Optical Specifications

RF Frequency range		88 – 2200	MHz
Flatness		+- 3	dB
Optical output power	Nominal	3	mW
DFB Laser output Wavelength		1270 - 1610	nm
Optical return loss		< -40	dB
Optical isolator	min	30	dB
Side-mode suppression ratio	min	30	dB
Maximum optical input power	non destructive	10	mW

Table 16 Specifications DDR100 (Single Band) & DDR200 (Dual band)

Power Consumption, max	DDR 100 (200)	90 (180)	W
Dimensions	WxDxH	300 x 130 x 700	mm
Weight		< 12	Kg

Table 17 Specifications DDR300(Triple Band) & DDR400(Quad Band)

Power Consumption, max	DDR 300 (400)	270 (360)	W
Dimensions	WxDxH	300 x 220 x 700	mm
Weight		< 24	Kg

Table 18 Available Products, European Cellular

System	UL Frequency MHz	DL Frequency MHz	Pout (DL) dBm/c, 1 Carrier	Pout (DL) dBm/c, 2 Carriers	Standard
TETRA, Public Safety	380 - 385	390 - 395	26	23	ETSI
TETRA, Commercial	410 - 415	420 - 425	26	23	ETSI
TETRA, Commercial	415 - 420	425 - 430	26	23	ETSI
CDMA450	453 - 457,5	463 - 467,5	33	28	FCC
GSM-R	876 - 880	921 - 925	26	23	ETSI
EGSM900	880 - 915	925 - 960	26	23	ETSI
GSM1800	1710 - 1785	1805 - 1880	28	25	ETSI
UMTS	1920 - 1980	2110 - 2170	30	25	3GPP

FCC standard

DeltaNode's Distributed Radio head is a high performing wideband radio head equipped with a linear power amplifier supporting all modulations. The light weight, convection cooled IP65 chassis secures the performance in almost any environment.

Table 19 General Specifications

Noise Figure	Typical	3	dB
Delay excluding optical fiber		< 0,5	μς
Power Supply	Mains	85 – 264	VAC or VDC
Operating Temperature		-25 - +55	
Casing		IP65	

Table 20 Optical Specifications

RF Frequency range		88 – 2200	MHz
Flatness		+- 3	dB
Optical output power	Nominal	3	mW
DFB Laser output Wavelength		1270 - 1610	nm
Optical return loss		< -40	dB
Optical isolator	min	30	dB
Side-mode suppression ratio	min	30	dB
Maximum optical input power	non destructive	10	mW

Table 21 Specifications DDR100 (Single Band) & DDR200 (Dual band)

Power Consumption, max	DDR 100 (200)	90 (180)	W
Dimensions	WxDxH	300 x 130 x 700	mm
Weight		< 12	Kg

Table 22 Specifications DDR300 (Triple Band) & DDR400 (Quad Band)

Power Consumption, max	DDR 300 (400)	270 (360)	W
Dimensions	WxDxH	300 x 220 x 700	mm
Weight		< 24	Kg

Table 23 Available Products, American Cellular

System	UL Frequency MHz	DL Frequency MHz	Pout, DL, dBm (Composite)	Standard
LTE LB	698 - 716	728 - 746	33	FCC
LTE UB	746 -776*	776 – 806 [†]	33	FCC
iDEN	806 - 824	851 - 869	33	FCC
Cellular	824 - 849	869 - 894	33	FCC
PCS1900	1850 - 1915	1930 - 1995	33	FCC
AWS	1710 - 1755	2110 - 2155	33	FCC

t. Sub-bands available

Table 24 Available Products, American Public Safety

System	UL Frequency MHz	DL Frequency MHz	Pout, DL, dBm (Composite)	Nominal Bandwidth MHz	Passnand	Input/ Output Impedance Ohms	Standard
VHF	150-174	150-174	33	24(FCC); 36 (IC) [†]	70	50	FCC
UHF	450-512	450-512	33	62 ^{††}	70	50	FCC
700	793-805	763-775	33	12	70	50	FCC
800	806-824	851-869	33	18	70	50	FCC

^{†. 2}MHz with required external duplexers

Class B Industrial Booster — This equipment is a Class B Industrial Booster and is restricted to installation as an In-building Distributed Antenna System (DAS).

RF Exposure — The equipment operating in the 800MHz public safety band and the UHF public safety band complies with the FCC RF radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with a minimum distance of **20 centimeters** between the radiator and your body.

The equipment operating in the 700MHz public safety band require a separation distance of at least **36.2cm**. This distance must be maintained between the user and antenna when the product is used with a 5.5dBi antenna.

The equipment operating in the VHF public safety band require a separation distance of at least **69.1cm**. This distance must be maintained between the user and antenna when the product is used with a **10.5dBi** antenna.

If system will operate on multiple bands, the separation distance required shall be equal to, or greater than, the band with the largest separation distance.

^{††.3}MHz tor 1.5 MHz with required external duplexers

DDS

DeltaNode's DDS series distributed high power radio head is a high performing wideband radio head equipped with a Pre Distortion power amplifier that supports all modulations. The light weight, convection cooled IP65 chassis secures the performance in almost any environment.

FCC Standard

Table 25 GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Noise Figure	Typical	3	dB
Delay excluding optical fiber		< 0,5	μς
Instantaneous Band Width	Max	15	MHz
Power Supply	Mains	85 – 264	VAC or VDC
Operating Temperature		-25 - +55	
Casing		IP65	

Table 26 OPTICAL SPECIFICATIONS

RF Frequency range		88 – 2200	MHz
Flatness		+- 3	dB
Optical output power	Nominal	3	mW
DFB Laser output Wavelength		1270 - 1610	nm
Optical return loss		< -40	dB
Optical isolator	min	30	dB
Side-mode suppression ratio	min	30	dB
Maximum optical input power	non destructive	10	mW

Table 27 SPECIFICATIONS DDS100 (Single Band) & DDS200 (Dual band)

Power Consumption, max	DDS100/200	90 (180)	W
Dimensions	WxDxH	300 x 130 x 700	mm
Weight		< 12	Kg

Table 28 SPECIFICATIONS DDS300 (Triple Band) & DDS400(Quad Band)

Power Consumption, max	DDS300/400	270 (360)	W
Dimensions	WxDxH	300 x 220 x 700	mm
Weight		< 24	Kg

Table 29 AVAILABLE PRODUCTS, AMERICAN CELLULAR

System	UL Frequency MHz	DL Frequency MHz	Downlink Power RMS	Standard
LTE LB	698 - 716	728 - 746	41	FCC
LTE UB	746 -776 [†]	776 – 806†	41	FCC
iDEN	806 - 824	851 - 869	41	FCC
Cellular	824 - 849	869 - 894	41	FCC
PCS1900	1850 - 1915	1930 - 1995	41	FCC
AWS	1710 - 1755	2110 - 2155	41	FCC

^{+.} Sub-bands available

DDH

DeltaNode's Distributed High power radio head is a high performing wideband radio head equipped with a feed forward multi carrier power amplifier that supports all modulations. The light weight, convection cooled IP65 chassis secures the performance in almost any environment.

ETSI standard

Table 30 GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Noise Figure	Typical	3	dB
Delay excluding optical fiber		< 0,5	μs
Power Supply	Mains	85 – 264	VAC or VDC
Operating Temperature		-25 - +55	
Casing		IP65	

Table 31 OPTICAL SPECIFICATIONS

RF Frequency range		88 – 2700	MHz
Flatness		+- 3	dB
Optical output power	Nominal	3	mW
DFB Laser output Wavelength		1270 - 1610	nm
Optical return loss		< -40	dB
Optical isolator	min	30	dB
Side-mode suppression ratio	min	30	dB
Maximum optical input power	non destructive	10	mW

Table 32 SPECIFICATIONS DDH100(Single Band)

Power Consumption	Typical	210	W
Dimensions	WxDxH	300 x 130 x 700	mm
Weight		< 14	Kg

Table 33 SPECIFICATIONS DDH200(Dual Band)

Power Consumption	Typical	420	W
Dimensions	WxDxH	300 x 220 x 700	mm
Weight		< 28	Kg

Table 34 AVAILABLE PRODUCTS, EUROPEAN CELLULAR

	Number of carriers								
Sustam 2	2			4		8		16	
System	Composite Power	Power per carrier	Composite Power	Power per carrier	Composite Power	Power per carrier	Composite Power	Power per carrier	
TETRA	32	29	33	27	33	24			
EGSM900	40	34	40	34	40	31	40	28	
GSM1800	40	37	40	34	40	31	40	28	
UMTS	43	40	43	37	43	34	43	31	
2600	43	40	43	37					

FCC standards

Table 35 GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Noise Figure	Typical	3	dB
Delay excluding optical fiber		< 0,5	μs
Power Supply	Mains	85 – 264	VAC or VDC
Operating Temperature		-25 - +55	
Casing		IP65	

Table 36 OPTICAL SPECIFICATIONS

RF Frequency range		88 – 2200	MHz
Flatness		+- 3	dB
Optical output power	Nominal	3	mW
DFB Laser output Wavelength		1270 - 1610	nm
Optical return loss		< -40	dB
Optical isolator	Min	30	dB
Side-mode suppression ratio	Min	30	dB
Maximum optical input power	non destructive	10	mW

Table 37 SPECIFICATIONS DDH100(Single Band)

Power Consumption	Typical	210	W
Dimensions	WxDxH	300 x 130 x 700	mm
Weight		< 14	Kg

Table 38 SPECIFICATIONS DDH200(Dual Band)

Power Consumption	Typical	420	W
Dimensions	WxDxH	300 x 220 x 700	mm
Weight		< 28	Kg

Table 39 AVAILABLE PRODUCTS, AMERICAN CELLULAR

System	UL Frequency MHz	DL Frequency MHz	Pout, DL, dBm (RMS)	Standard
LTE LB	698 - 716	728 - 746	43	FCC
LTE UB	746 -776 [†]	776 – 806*	43	FCC
iDEN	806 - 824	851 - 869	40	FCC
Cellular	824 - 849	869 - 894	43	FCC
PCS1900	1850 - 1915	1930 - 1995	43	FCC
AWS	1710 - 1755	2110 - 2155	43	FCC

t. Sub-bands available

Note: All specifications subject to change without notice.

DMU - Remote head end

DeltaNode DMU100 series is a pickup repeater that can provide the signals over fiber to a Master Unit or directly to up to 4 Remote Units. When the DMU is used to transmit the signals to a Master Unit, the ordinary BGW is used to control the system, but in case the Master Unit is not needed and it connects directly to up to 4 Remote Units the DMU can be equipped with the compact gateway, RGW, to provide for the settings and alarm handling for the entire system.

Figure 12 DMU – Remote head end



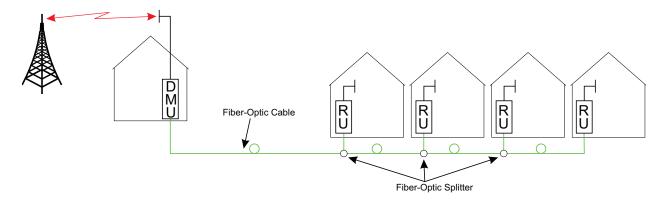
Remote communication can be done either over Ethernet if that exists in the location, or the unit can be equipped with a modem that allows it to set up a tunnel to a Central Gateway CGW where it can be controlled remotely. The modem is normally a standard 3G modem but other options may be possible if needed.

It is possible to build the DMU with more than one band. However, depending on the types of bands and the necessary duplexers it may need to be verified with DeltaNode that your combination of bands are possible if the RGW is to be included.

The chassis is the same as for the DeltaNode Remote Units (single chassis) and can handle a single band.

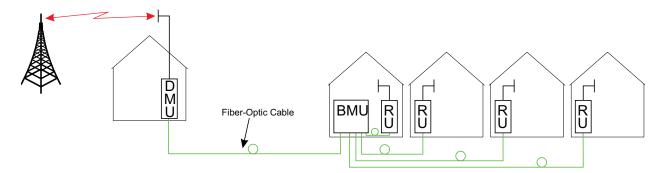
In the example in <u>Figure 13</u>, the DMU is used to pick up the signal at a remote location and then it is transmitted on the fiber to four different locations that need coverage. The RU can be connected to coaxial spreading networks if needed.

Figure 13 DMU Feeding Remote Units



In <u>Figure 14</u>, the DMU is feeding a Master Unit (BMU) which in turn feeds the Remote Units (RU). This is a far more flexible solution and should be preferred when it is possible.

Figure 14 DMU Feeding BMU



The DMU is usually not equipped with a powerful Power Amplifier (PA) in the uplink because the idea of using it is to place the repeater where there is a good signal. The power level matches that of a mobile phone.

CHAPTER 3 SYSTEM DESIGN

Fiber-DAS is a way of distributing radio signals from a base station to a remotely located antenna where the coaxial cable losses would be too high or it is impractical to install coaxial cables. Fiber-DAS can be used indoors to cover large buildings where outside penetration of radio signals is not sufficient, it can be used to cover structures such as tunnels for rail, or roads, airports, metro lines and many other places.

This chapter provides the basics of system design and avoiding common pitfalls. All fiber-DAS share some common properties as they are an extension of an existing signal into an area where there is little or no coverage.

The Basics

There is some basic knowledge you should be familiar with when designing a system. In this section we will discuss the most important elements of design to help you design your system.

A link budget is a way of calculating the required signal levels for the base station and the mobile station and matching this against your system design, the losses in the cables, the antenna factors and other such parameters go into a link budget.

When you have done a rough link budget you should use the DAS calculator and calculate the settings of each uplink and downlink in the system.

Example: You have a system with 3 remote units and they are all dual band 850/1900 for CDMA and GSM. Your system has 6 uplinks and 6 downlinks where the signal may proceed from antenna to base station or vice versa, in unit one there is one 850 RF strip and one 1900 RF strip forming two RF chains with uplinks and downlinks.

The DAS calculator may yield a different noise figure from the one you initially assumed when you did your link budget. This is fine, you may insert the new noise figure in your link budget and observe the result.

When you have done your calculations you already know the settings of the system in principle and you can now commission it. Using the settings from the DAS calculator as a basis you can connect to the system and set it up one unit at a time, more about that in Chapter 5 "Commissioning" on page 40.

Link Budgets

The starting point is to create a viable link budget for your system. As link budgets are calculated different for different systems you may want to take some time and study typical link budget calculations for the type of services you are using.

You do not need to create link budgets for all of your remotes and all frequency bands. Do it for the worst case only for each service, that should be enough. This is the normal procedure and it is usually not difficult to find the worst case scenario. Look for the highest loss between the base station and the antenna, including the fiber loss between Master Unit and Remote Unit and any split loss after the Remote Unit until you get to the last antenna.

If you are using radiating cables, then calculate with the loss over the maximum length of radiating cable you need to support and find the Remote Unit that has the highest total loss from the User Equipment (mobile station) to the Base Station end.

Downlink

For the downlink you can usually just use the output power of the remote unit and then calculate your link budget. Remember that if you have several carriers, you need to calculate your link budget with this in account. For each new carrier you add, the power per carrier goes down as the power on the Remote Unit is divided onto all the (active) downlink carriers.

To calculate the "per carrier" output power, <u>Table 40</u> contains a list of modifiers that are applied to the output power of the remote unit.

Table 40 Per carrier loss

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	-3.0	-4.8	-6.0	-7.0	-7.8	-8.5	-9.0	-9.5	-10.0

As you can see there is a correlation that whenever the number of carriers double the per carrier power is lowered with another 3 dB. Thus the formula for any number of carriers will be:

$$P_{Carrier} = P_{Composite} - 10 \bullet \log 10(N_{Carriers})$$

The output power for each type of remote unit and frequency band can be found in the data sheets in "Remote Unit (RU)" on page 18 where the relevant parameters for each remote system are discussed.

Remember to use the per carrier power in your link budget and not the composite because if as you keep adding carriers to the system the power per carrier will be lower. If you are planning on adding additional carriers in the future you should plan your system for the maximum foreseeable number of carriers.

Following is an example of a link budget. This link budget is also included in the DAS Calculator package. If you do not have this package contact DeltaNode Solutions to receive a copy.

Uplink

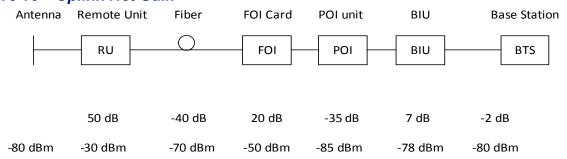
Uplink calculations generally rely on having the noise figure at hand before so that the desensitization of the base station can be calculated. However since the noise figure is dependent on the link budget, we should be able to calculate a crude link budget at first, get our gain straight and then when we are done we should be able to calculate the proper noise load using the DAS Calculator Tool (will be handled in Chapter 6 "RF Commissioning" on page 41). Therefore we will assume a standard noise figure for now, properly adjusted the DeltaNode Fiber-DAS solution has a NF of less than 3 dB per uplink.

A reasonable assumption for the NF is around 3 dB, if we should get a better or worse NF later when the DAS Calculator is employed we will just go back and correct the link budgets for this.

System Uplink Net Gain

The net gain is the total gain in the uplink from the Remote Unit port to the input port on the base station. This chain looks something like this:

Figure 15 Uplink Net Gain



In the illustration in <u>Figure 15 on page 28</u> there is an input signal to the remote of -80 dBm. Then each step of the chain has gain or attenuation as shown, the fiber loss is in total 40 dB, the FOI is set to 20 dB gain, the loss through the POI is 35 dB, the BIU is set to 7 dB gain and the loss on the jumper between the Master Unit and the Radio Base Station is 2 dB.

This means that the signal level entered into the Remote Unit is seen by the base station. This is considered an optimal point setting for the uplink when it comes to signal level. If the net gain in the uplink is positive, we also put noise on to the base station and will desensitize its receiver. This may not be a problem, if the Base Station is dedicated to only the Fiber-DAS system then a positive net gain is not a problem because any desensitization caused by increased gain is compensated by an equal increase in the useful signals level. Thus maintaining the same C/I.

However if the Base Station is also covering an outdoor area or has other antennas connected to the same sector then a positive net gain will cause a desensitization of the receiver for the *other antenna* and this is generally speaking a bad thing.

The system also has a thermal noise load that it will put on the base station, just like an antenna. The noise figure of the system can be determined by using the Fiber-DAS calculator excel sheet. The total noise is also an accumulation of the noise posed by each chain and the net gain of the system.

If we have a system with 4 equally set up chains, and each chain has a noise load of 3 dB and the net gain is 0 dB then the noise load on the system will be around 9 dB.

If we decrease the net gain in the uplink we can lower this noise as the system NF can be construed as the NF + Net gain uplink times the number of equal chains. Since the chains are not in fact equal, they will have different NF and different gain slightly it may be a good idea to calculate the total noise load:

Table 41 Total Noise Load, Unadjusted

Chain	NF	Gain	N. Load	Comment
1	3.2	-1.2	2.0	
1	2.3	+2.3	4.6	
2	2.8	+4.0	6.8	This is very high
3	4.0	-2.8	1.2	
Total			10.2	

By lowering the net gain to -5 dB on all chains we get the following:

Table 42 Total Noise Load, Adjusted

Chain	NF	Gain	N. Load	Comment
1	3.2	-5	-1.8	
1	2.3	-5	-2.7	
2	2.8	-5	-2.2	
3	4.0	-5	-1	
	Total		4.1	Similar to a BTS own NF

This is similar to the BTS own noise figure which generally is 2-4 dB depending on the system. This kind of desensitization then becomes a trade off between coverage area in the uplink and the noise load on the base station.

Adding noise from each parallel chain is then done through the formula:

$$NL_{Total} = 10 \bullet \log 10 \left(10^{\frac{NF1 + G1}{10}} + 10^{\frac{NF2 + G2}{10}} + \dots + 10^{\frac{NF_n + G_n}{10}} \right)$$

Note: This is different from Friis formula where the noise sources are cascaded, here each noise contribution are just added in linear and then converted back to decibels.

Where:

NF is the noise figure for each chain NL is the total noise load G is the gain of the chain in total

When the sensitivity has been calculated it is time to make a proper link budget and find out if the system will cover the expected areas.

Here are some examples on link budget calculations where you can insert the noise figure of the system. These calculations are also included on the DAS calculator tool and link budgets for other systems should also be included. CDMA can be calculated similarly to WCDMA if the gross data rates etc are corrected.

Table 43 Example of GSM link budget

Linkbudget GSM with Fiber DAS					
	D	OWNLINK			
Output power DAS remote unit	30.0	dBm			
Number of carriers	2.0	pcs	This gives the per carrier power		
Power per carrier	27.0	dBm			
Split loss from RU port to last antenna	6.0	dB			
Cable losses	4.0	dB			
DAS antenna gain	3.0	dB			
EIRP	20.0	dBm			
MS Noise floor	-121.0	dB			
MS NF	3.0	dB			
MS C/I	12.0	dB			
MS Fading margin	6.0	dB	10 dB for vehicle movements		
Penetration loss	0.0	dB	Used for in vehicle (10 dB for car)		
Antenna gain MS	1.0	dB			
Body loss MS	5.0	dB			
Required signal level	-96.0	dBm	Design target		
Allowed path loss from antenna to MS	116.0	dB			
Radiating cable coupling loss C95	70.0	dB	Only when using radiating cable		
Loss per 100 m	4.0	dB	Only when using radiating cable		
Maximum length of radiating cable	1149.5	m			
		UPLINK			
Spectral noise floor of BTS	-121.0	dBm			
Noise figure BTS	3.0	dB			
C/I for BTS	9.0	dB			
BTS original noise floor	-118.0	dBm			
BTS original sensitivity	-109.0	dBm			
Fading margin	6.0	dB			
Fiber DAS thermal noise floor	-121.0	dBm			
Noise figure DAS link	3.0	dB			
Number of equal links	3.0	pcs			
System net gain	0.0	dB	If your noise load is high you should lower this		
DAS Noise result	-118.0	dBm			
Noise load on BTS with DAS	-115.0	dBm			
Desensitization on BTS	3.0	dB			
New BTS Sensitivity	-106.0	dBm			
Loss from BTS to remote antenna	7.0	dB			
Sensitivity at remote antenna	-99.0	dB			
Fading margin	6.0	db			
Penetration loss	0.0	dB			
Antenna gain MS	1.0				
Body loss MS	5.0				
Required signal level	-89.0				
MS Output power	30.0	dBm	For 900 use 33 dBm for 18/1900 bands use 30		
Allowed path loss from MS to antenna	119.0	dB			
Balance downlink-uplink	-3.0	dB	This should preferably be +/- 5 dB		
Radiating cable coupling loss C95	70.0	dB	Only when using radiating cable		
Loss per 100 m	4.0	dB	Only when using radiating cable		
Maximum length of radiating cable	1224.5	m			

Table 44 Example WCDMA link budget

	WCDMA LII	NK BUDGET					
RECEIVER SENSITIVITY AND NOISE							
Noise floor	-108.2	dBm					
Receiver NF	6.0	dB					
RX noise power	-102.2	dBm					
Interference margin	3.0	dB					
RX interference power	-102.2	dBm					
Noise plus interference power	-99.2	dBm					
Requested bit rate	64.0	kbit	Video call = 64. voice = 12.2				
Gross bit rate	3840.0	kbit					
Process gain	17.8	dB					
Required Eb/No	5.0	dB					
Fast fading margin	4.0	dB					
Receiver sensitivity	-107.9	dBm					
	DOWNLINK O	CALCULATION					
Output power DAS remote unit	30.0	dBm					
Number of carriers	1.0	pcs	This gives the per carrier power				
Power per carrier	30.0	dBm					
Split loss from RU port to last antenna	6.0	dB					
Cable losses	4.0	dB					
DAS antenna gain	3.0	dB					
EIRP	23.0	dBm					
MS Antenna gain	5.0						
MS Body loss	3.0						
MS Minimum level	-109.9	dBm					
Allowed path loss	137.9	dB					
	UPLINK CA	LCULATION					
Output power of MS	21	dBm	Maximum power				
Antenna gain MS	5.0	dB					
Body loss MS	3.0	dB					
EIRP MS	23.0	dBm					
Uplink net gain	-10	dB					
Sensitivity at RU port	-117.9	dBm					
Split loss from antenna to RU	6.0	dB					
Cable losses from antenna to RU	4.0	dB					
DAS antenna gain	3.0	dB					
Antenna sensitivity	-110.9	dBm					
Allowed path loss uplink	133.9	dB					
Balance downlink-uplink	4.0						

Multiple bands

The flexibility of the system allows for up to 4 bands in one remote for the low and medium power remote units. The high-power version allows 2 bands in the same chassis, mainly because the power amplifiers are more bulky.

This means that it is very easy to deploy a system for different bands. The fiber link is ultra wide band and can be used between 88 MHz up to 2 700 MHz thus covering from the VHF end of the spectrum up to the latest LTE bands.

Each band needs to have their separate BIU in the Master Unit. The uplink and downlink signals can then be combined in the POI or may be separate all the way into the FOI. The FOI has two inputs and outputs and can thus be connected to two bands directly.

1800 MHz **∢** BIU 900 MHz **∢** ΕO ΕO ΕO FO ΕO ΕO 꼰 꼰 꼰 꼰 ᆱ ᆱ 찓 ౭

Figure 16 Dual Band System Connection Diagram

<u>Figure 16</u> shows two BIU cards interfacing with two Radio Base Stations. In this case they could be a 900 GSM station and one 1800 GSM station as an example. It could in fact be any combination of service and frequency band such as LTE-900 or WCDMA 850.

Each BIU has a combined UL/DL port towards the base station and on the other side there are separate UL/DL ports. The BIU has an uplink amplifier and a downlink attenuator that can be set. The signals are then connected to the POI's 4 coupling fields to it's common ports. The signal is then split onto 8 ports in the downlink and combined from 8 ports in the uplink. From the POI there are then patches to each FOI card in the frame (8 in this illustration per uplink and downlink) and the 900 and 1800 signal are kept separate until the FOI.

It is not necessary to keep them separated; they could be combined for a common uplink and downlink. However, doing so means that you have fewer options in adjusting the signal levels with the gain block and attenuators, in each RF chain.

Multiple operators

The same way as multiple bands and services can be connected to the Master Unit it is also possible to connect several operators. In fact this is one of the key strengths of a Fiber-DAS system because it is access technology agnostic. This means that it is possible within the same band to mix different access technologies – if care is taken to avoid problems when mixing GSM and CDMA in the same system because of the very slow and unsophisticated power regulation in the GSM uplink.

When designing such a system, care should be taken to place the antennas to avoid any users getting too close and causing the Remote Unit to go into limit mode.

Base station interface

It is recommended that each operator operates their own BIU because otherwise the settings of the BIU may affect more than one system or service. This way depending on the settings of the individual Base Station the BIU can be adapted properly to get the most out of the system.

Remote Unit

Multiple operators can share one remote unit. Doing so means that consideration should be given to the number of carriers from each operator, so that they can fulfill their respective link budgets. If the operators have a large number of carriers, such as for some GSM operators who easily have 6, 8 even 12 carriers it would be better to split them up on separate amplifiers in the Remote Unit or even separate units altogether.

FOI

The FOI can be shared among the operators. It is recommended to see to that the downlink signal levels are similar so that they share the available bandwidth of the laser properly. Similarly in the uplink

POI

When combining multiple operators it is often useful to combine all the operators' uplinks and split all the downlinks on a per-band basis. This means that if you have more than one FOI in the system you should likely need to use another one plus a hybrid combiner/splitter.

Here is a schematic on how this can be achieved:

Full system example

Here is an example of a full system showing the Master Unit and the fibers that goes off to the Remote Units (not shown in this example) with multiple operators and a large number of frequency bands.

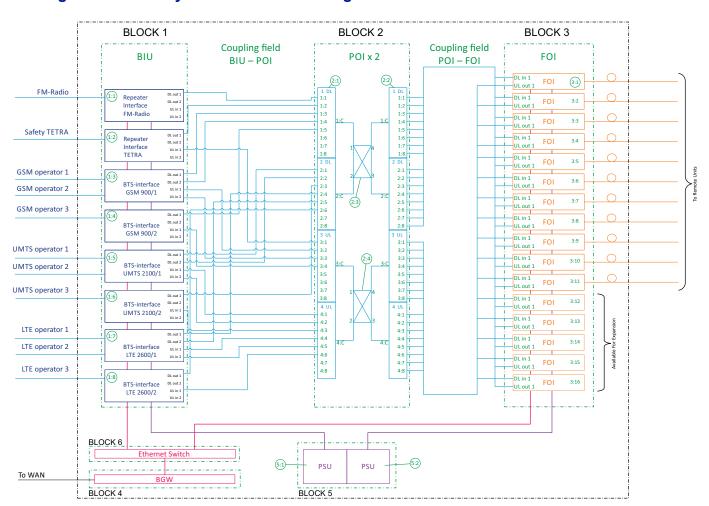


Figure 17 Full System Connection Diagram

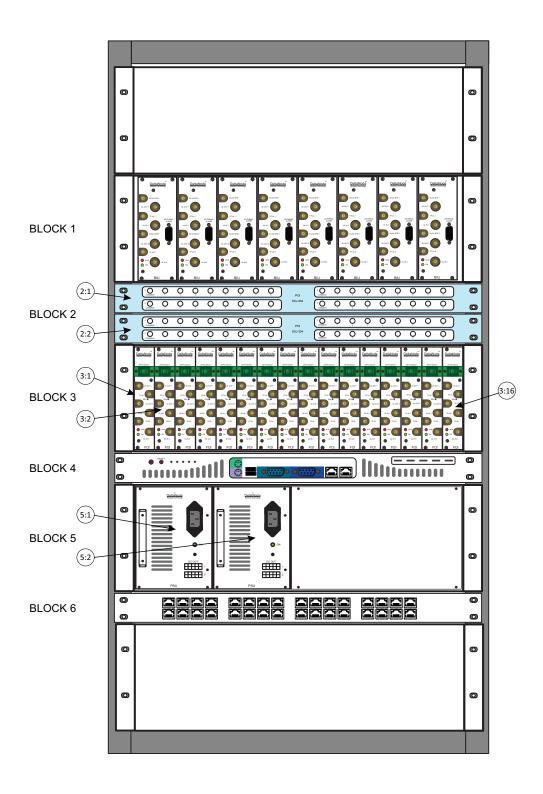
Block 1: Here are all the Base Station Interface Units (BIU) cards for all the frequency bands and the operators. In this example two operators may share one BIU. The first unit 1:1 is for FM radio which is only Downlink as it is broadcast. The second unit 1:2 is for a safety blue light service using the TETRA system on 400 MHz. Then there are two BIU's 1:3 and 1:4 for GSM 900, similar for GSM 1800 and for UMTS 2100 and LTE 2600.

Block 2: This is the Point of Interconnect (POI) where all the signals from the operators are combined on the four coupling fields of the first POI (2:1). There are two UL fields and two DL fields. The common ports are then fed into a hybrid combiner (2:3, 2:4) and on to the second POI (2:2) where the signals are split up to connect to all the Fiberoptic Interfaces.

Block 3: These are the fiber-optic interfaces (FOI) and in this example up to 16 FOI cards may be connected for a total of 16 Remote Units if there are one Remote Unit per fiber. It is possible to use up to four Remote Units on a single fiber.

Block 4-6: These are supporting units such as power supplies, the BGW which is the alarm and control computer in the system and the Ethernet Switch that connects the communication between all units in the Master Unit and also handles the communications with the Remote Units.

Figure 18 Full System Rack View



The Block numbers and the numbers in the circles refer to the numbers on the previous connection drawing. The first frame (BLOCK 1) holds all the BIU interfaces. For clarity the interconnecting cables are not shown here. The second shelf (BLOCK 2) is the 2 POI units and the hybrid combiner (2:3 and 2:4) is hidden inside the cabinet.

The third frame (BLOCK 3) holds the FOI cards, up to 16 cards can be held in one such frame. Then there is the BGW computer (BLOCK 4) tying all the communication together and providing the web interface for setting up and controlling the system. The BGW also has an optional "northbound" fire-walled connection that can be connected to your own network for remote supervision, alarm and control. It can even be tunneled over the Internet providing there is a CGW unit where the tunnel terminates.

Beneath the BGW is a frame containing are two PSU's (BLOCK 5). They can be upgraded to four units to provide redundancy for this example, two different PSU's can feed the same frame.

The Ethernet Switch (BLOCK 6) is located at the bottom, this is where you connect a laptop to setup and commission the system.

WARNING

This is NOT a consumer device.

It is design for installation by **FCC LICENSES** and **QUALIFIED INSTALLERS.** You **MUST** have an **FCC LICENSE** or express consent of an FCC licensee to operate this device. You MUST register Class B signal boosters (as defined in 47 CFR 90.219) online at www.fcc.gov/signal-boosters/registration. Unauthorized use may result in significant forfeiture penalties, including penalties in excess of \$100,000 for each continuing violation.

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This device complies with part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Health and Safety

DeltaNode DAS system is an advanced system and should be handled by skilled staff. DeltaNode are happy to offer training of installation service providers in the case this is necessary.

Read all available documentation and warnings before handling the equipment. Equipment failures due to improper handling are normally not covered by the product warranty.

Respect all warning signs on the equipment and in the documentation. Make sure to only operate the equipment on frequencies allowed to use. Do not modify the equipment.

WARNING

Avoid looking into connected fibers and receptacles.

The laser used in this system is a Class 3b laser that produces invisible infra-red coherent light. Not safe to view with optical instruments. Always put the protection caps on unused fibers and receptacles.

The equipment contains a Class 3B laser and the equipment is Class 1. Do never look into the Laser beam directly or indirectly, it is strong invisible light and may cause serious damage to human eyes.

Always use protective caps on fiber and connector ends when fiber is removed from socket. Always clean socket and connector after a fiber has been removed before it is reconnected.

Make sure to keep passwords and other operational information away from unauthorized personnel.

Installing the Master Unit and Remotes

All equipment must be properly grounded. This means that the ground peg in the mains connector for both headend gear (Master Unit) and remote gear (Remote Units) must be connected to Phase, Neutral and Ground in a proper way before the plug is inserted in the unit.

The chassis of the remote and the rack of the master unit should be grounded to a potential bar or safety grounding bar when operated. All electrical installations should be done by a certified electrician only.

Safety and Care for fibers

WARNING

Avoid looking into connected fibers and receptacles.

The laser used in this system is a Class 3b laser that produces invisible infra-red coherent light. Not safe to view with optical instruments. Always put the protection caps on unused fibers and receptacles.

Every time a fiber is disconnected and re-connected care should be taken to avoid getting dust on the connector or in the receptacle. Clean with a dry fiber cleaning tool before reconnecting the fiber at all times. A single speck of dust can severely impact the transmission. Do not touch the fiber ends with your fingers. That will leave grease on the connectors and may cause severe problems.

CHAPTER 5 COMMISSIONING

Preparations

The minimum of preparations necessary are to have the system documentation which should include the following items at least:

- The system layout and block schematic
- A connection diagram for the head-end Master Unit
- The type of connectors and tappers used to interface to the base station ports
- The number of carriers for each of the BIU that the base stations connects via
- Maximum output power for each service from the base stations
- Fiber losses should be documented beforehand so that you can compare what the system actually measures
- Sectorization information, which sectors should go to which remotes
- DAS calculator sheets showing the expected settings for each of the RF chains in uplink and downlink.
- Information about Ethernet connection if the system should be monitored by remote. How to connect it to the Internet for remote viewing unless you are using a modem.

Necessary tools

The tools necessary to commission the system includes:

- One laptop for changing the system settings, checking any alarms and status. Only software needed is a web browser. Operating system can be Windows, Linux or Mac as you prefer.
- Spectrum analyzer to measure the uplink. The system relies on test tone measurements in the uplink and therefore it is important to have equipment to measure them
- SMA tool to be able to connect or disconnect BTS cables from the BIU.
- QMA adapter so you can measure signals directly on the head-end units such as the FOI, BIU, POI and so
 on.

Software

No particular software is necessary except a modern graphical based web browser.

CHAPTER 6

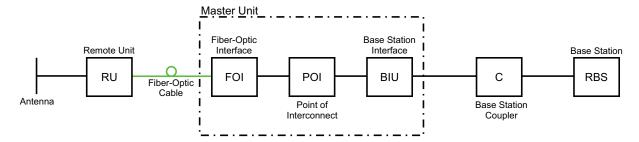
RF COMMISSIONING

In order to make the process more clear for this part of the manual we will consider setting up a fictitious system, but based on a standard approach at doing Fiber-DAS. The system that we are considering will have two frequency bands, let's assume GSM 900 MHz and UMTS 2100 MHz. The example will have 2 sectors with two remotes in each sector. Of course your system may look different, be more or less complex but in order to make it clear how the system is set up this should provide you with a starting point.

Setting up the uplink

Setting up the uplink means to adjust the system for an optimal working point from the antenna port of the Remote Unit to the actual input on the Radio Base Station. This can be done in different ways depending on how the system is designed. We will here discuss a standard set-up starting with a small block schematic showing how the system is connected.

Figure 19 System Interconnect Diagram



The main parameter that we will be discussing is the "net gain" of the system. This means the total change in signal from the Remote Unit antenna port to the receiver port on the base station. There are different ways of setting this system up but we will look at a 0 dB net gain system which is a good starting point for most systems.

The system gain can be calculated as the gain in the Remote Unit – Loss on fiber + FOI gain – POI loss + BIU gain – coupler loss. Basically this takes form of a link budget and here is an example:

Table 45 Example Link Budget

Unit/Component	Gain/Loss (dB)	Accumulated Gain/Loss (dB)
Remote Unit (RU)	40	40
Fiber-Optic Cable	-10	30
FOI	20	50
POI	-35	15
BIU	0	15
Coupler	-15	0

Basically this means that whatever is input at the antenna will also be seen at the same level for the Radio Base Station receiver. This is not a bad starting point but does not take into account the noise load on the base station which will increase somewhat with this setup

Noise load on Radio Base Station

The system will inevitable add some noise to the receiver. Properly set up the noise figure in a system like this will be better than 3 dB. However, if the gain is set up poorly (not enough gain in the remote, too much gain in the headend) it is possible to create a very bad noise figure. In order to avoid this the <u>Fiber-DAS Calculator</u> should be used to calculate the noise figure of the system in the uplink.

If you have not familiarized yourself with the Fiber-DAS Calculator then I suggest you do so before moving on in this manual. The figures in the Fiber-DAS calculator relates to the settings of all steps in the chain. By using the calculator you can figure out the proper settings once you know the fiber loss between the Remote Unit and the Master Unit.

Let us assume your have arrived at a Noise Figure NF of 3 dB for this chain. However your system may contain more remotes, perhaps connected like this:

Master Unit Fiber-Optic Point of Base Station Base Station Remote Units Interface Interface Interconnect RU₁ FOI POI BIU С **RBS** Base Station Coupler RU₂ FOI FOI RU₃

Figure 20 Multiple RU Connection Diagram

Fiber-Optic

Cables

Now the noise load can be calculated by adding the noise contribution from each step of the chain. Below is an example of noise figures from each of the remotes:

Table 46 Noise Load

Antenna

RU₄

Chain	NF	Gain	Noise Load
RU 1	2.8	0.0	2.8
RU 2	3.2	1.0	4.2
RU 3	3.8	-2.0	1.8
RU 4	2.6	-1.0	1.6
		_	8.7

Base Station	4.0
Fiber-DAS Noise Load	8.0
Total Noise into BTS	9.5
	-5.5

FOI

There is a sheet in the Fiber-DAS calculator that lets you add your figures and that will calculate it for you.

What we see here is that if we set the system up in this fashion we will desensitize the base station with about 5,5 dB. This can be okay if the base station coverage is only through the Fiber-DAS system but if the base station is also being used for outdoor coverage it is not good. We need to change the net gain to reflect this. In general we should lower our so that we desensitize the BTS only about 3 dB. This value is a good compromise and similar to adding a second antenna to the same receiver port (which is kind of what we are doing with the Fiber-DAS).

Here are the new values:

Table 47 Adjusted Noise Load

Chain	NF	Gain	Noise Load
RU 1	2.8	-5.5	-2.2
RU 2	3.2	-5.5	-1.8
RU 3	3.8	-5.5	-1.2
RU 4	2.6	-5.5	-2.4
			4.1

Base Station	4.0
Fiber-DAS Noise Load	4.1
Total Noise into BTS	7.1
	-3.1

As you can see we should set the system up with a net gain of about -5 dB. Going back to the settings we had before which was:

Table 48 Example Link Budget

Unit/Component	Gain/Loss (dB)	Accumulated Gain/Loss (dB)
Remote Unit (RU)	40	40
Fiber-Optic Cable	-10	30
FOI	20	50
POI	-35	15
BIU	0	15
Coupler	-15	0

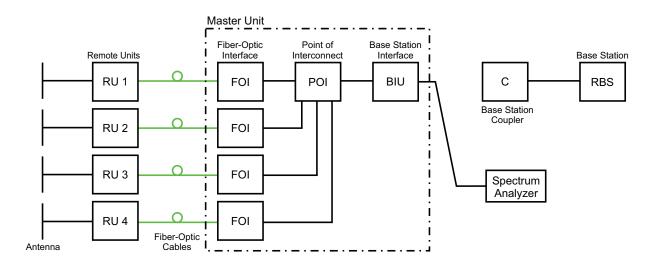
We only need to change the BIU setting using the attenuators in the BIU to lower the gain with 5 dB. This will accomplish what we need to do and the uplink should then be commissioned.

Practical approach

Now that we know what we should have we can easily set the system up. You need a spectrum analyzer to do this and it is easiest to connect it into the BIU port. Remember that when you measure here, the signal should also go through the BTS coupler before it reaches the base station receiver port. Therefore you should expect to read a value that is

Your expected gain + the loss in your coupler

If you want a net gain of -5 dB and you have a 15 dB coupler, you should read a net gain of +10 on the BIU port. This is now what we are going to use in the following example.



Turn on the RF

Connect to the BIU and turn on the RF. Set the attenuator in the medium range for the uplink that you are measuring. This allows you later to adjust it up and down as necessary to get the correct gain for the uplink chain.

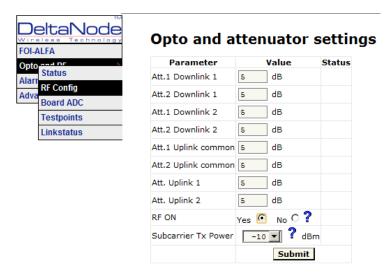


Attenuator and RF Settings, RF 1

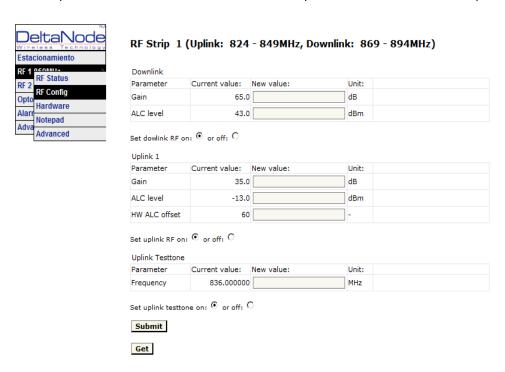
Parameter	Value	Status
Att. Downlink	10 dB	OK
Att. Uplink	10 dB	ок
RF ON	Yes ⊙ No ೧ 🤋	ок
DL Supervision ON	Yes ⊙ No ೧ 🤻	ок
	Submit	

Setting them to 10 dB is a good idea. DL supervision can be left as is for now and also DL attenuation which we will set up later.

Connect to the FOI card and select Opto and RF – RF Config and set it up according to your Fiber-DAS calculator settings. Do not forget to turn RF on.



Next step is to connect to the remote unit and set it up for test measurement in the uplink.



In this screen you should also turn RF on, set the gain to about 35 dB as a starting point and then turn on the uplink test tone. Note the frequency of the test tone, this is the frequency you should be measuring on your spectrum analyzer.

Turn on the spectrum analyzer, make sure it is connected to the right port on the right BIU and then find the frequency. A reasonable span is 1 MHz and the receiver band width can be set to 30 kHz or similar. Use the marker to measure the peak of the signal. Then go to the next screen on the remote unit, the RF Status screen.



RF Strip 1 (Uplink: 824 - 849MHz, Downlink: 869 - 894MHz)

Downlink	Current value:	Unit:
Start frequency	869.000000	MHz
Stop frequency	894.000000	MHz
RF link	on	
ALC threshold	43.0	dBm
Set gain	65.0	dB
Max gain	65.0	dB
Gain	63.6	dB
Output power	43.1	dBm
Uplink 1	Current value:	Unit:
Start frequency	824.000000	MHz
Stop frequency	849.000000	MHz
RF link	on	
Testtone state	on locked	
resttorie state		MILL-
Testtone frequency	836.000000	MHZ
	836.000000 -62.6	
Testtone frequency		dBm
Testtone frequency Testtone level	-62.6	dBm dBm
Testtone frequency Testtone level ALC threshold	-62.6 -13.0	dBm dBm dB
Testtone frequency Testtone level ALC threshold Set gain	-62.6 -13.0 35.0	dBm dBm dB dB

What we are looking for here is the Test tone Level. Note this down as well, next to the frequency of the test tone you noted earlier.

CAUTION Turn Off Test Tone

Do not forget to turn off the test tone when you are done with your uplink. Better check one extra time. They will otherwise interfere with the normal operation of the system by causing noise to the base station.

Then check your spectrum analyzer. Assuming your test tone level is -62,6 dBm as in this example your spectrum analyzer may show -58,2 dBm. Calculating the net gain between the RU and the BIU will then yield -58,2 - -62,5 = 4,3 dB. Subtract the coupler between the BIU and the radio base station which in this example was 15 dB and we get -19.3 dB as our net gain.

We wanted -10 dB so we have 9.3 dB too low gain. We should then increase the gain and the best place to do this would be in the remote unit by setting the gain at 35 + 9.3 = 44.3 which we will round to 44 dB.

That uplink is now finished and we will repeat the settings for all of our uplink, one at a time.

System Model Numbers

Product Family	Sub-family	Number of Bands		Frequency	Duplexed	Frequency	Duplexed		Frequency	Duplexed	Frequency	Duplexed		Voltage	Connectors	WDM		Wavelength FOR 1	FOR 1 Band 1	FOR 1 Band 2		Wavelength FOR 2	FOR 2 Band 1	Wavelength FOR 3	FOR 3 Band 1		CWDM	Optical Split
D D	R	4	- [G	0	С	0	-	G	0	С	0	_	Α	D	W	-	В	1	2	-	С	3	Н	3	-	W U B C	S

Family:	
DDU - 46	dBm Full Band
DDZ - 47	dBm Single Carrier
DDH - 43	dBm Full Band
DDS - 41	dBm Single Carrier
DDR - 33	dBm Full Band
DDX - Mix	ed Power Levels

Number of Bands:
1
2
3
4

Frequency:
R - FM Radio
V - VHF (136-174)
T - Tetra (380-400)
M - Gov (406-420)
B - Tetra (410-430)
U - UHF (450-470)
Q - 500MHz T-Band (470-512)
L - Lower 700
H - Higher 700
G - 700 Full Band
F - PS 700 (793-805)
S - 800 SMR
C - Cell 850
N - 900
D - DCS (1800)
P - PCS
I - IMT (1900/2100)
A - AWS (1700/2100)
E - IMT-E (2600)
J - DD 800

3 - DD 600					
Duplexed or DDX Pwr Lvl:					
0 - Non-duplexed					
1 - Duplexed					
For DDX use:					
For DDX Pwr Lvl 0 - 9:					
0 - Non-duplexed (DDU)					
1 - Duplexed (DDU)					
2 - Non-duplexed (DDZ)					
3 - Duplexed (DDZ)					
4 - Non-Duplexed (DDH)					
5 - Duplexed (DDH)					
6 - Non-duplexed (DDS)					
7 - Duplexed (DDS)					
8 - Non-duplexed (DDR)					
9 - Duplexed (DDR)					

Voltage:
A - Universal AC (86-264 AC/DC)
D - 48 VDC
Connectors:

Connectors:
N - N-type Connectors
D - 7/16 DIN
M - Mini DIN

1 -	
V th	V - Duplexed (UL and DL on ne same fiber)

WDM:

Wavelength of Uplink:
(FOR2 and FOR3 are optional to support multiple fiber links)
A - 1270
B - 1290
C - 1310 (default C if omitted)
D - 1330
E - 1350
F - 1370
G - 1390
H - 1410
I - 1430
J - 1450
K - 1470
L - 1490
M - 1510
N - 1530
O - 1550
P - 1570

FOR Bands:
(if omitted than all bands on one FOR)
Bands for that fiber link (in order as appear in model #) i.e. C123 would be standard FOI driving bands 1, 2, and 3
1
2
3
4

CWDM (option):

WUxxxx - combine multiple uplink fiber interfaces onto one fiber - each x denotes a wavelength (absence of xxxx implies all UL wavelengths)

WDxxxx - split to multiple downlink fiber interfaces from one fiber - each x denotes a wavelength (absence of xxxx implies all DL wavelengths)

Optical Split (option):

Sx - split the fiber at entry - to daisy chain other remotes - x is dB split (3dB equal split if absent)

Examples:

DDR4-GC0-PA1-AD — 4 band, 33dBm power output per band, Full band 700 combined with Cell 850 non duplexed, PCS combined with AWS duplexed, AC powered, 7/16 DIN, 1310nm uplink

DDR4-GC0-PA1-AD-B12-C34-WUBCS — 4 band, 33dBm power output per band, Full band 700 combined with Cell 850 non duplexed, PCS combined with AWS duplexed, AC powered, 7/16 DIN, Bands 1 and 2 (700 and 850) 1290nm uplink, Bands 2 and 3 (PCS & AWS) 1310nm uplink, CWDM, fiber split (3dB) for daisy chained remotes

Remote End Unit Part Numbers

Note: The remote end units are completely integrated at the factory, there is no field assembly other than mounting and cable connection. Modules should not be altered once deployed.

Public Safety DDR Module Numbers

Part Number	Frequency Band	IC Certification Number
MOD-DDR-V	VHF - 136-174MHz	110141A-DDR1V
MOD-DDR-U	UHF - 450-470MHz	110141A-DDR1U
MOD-DDR-Q	T-Band - 470-512MHz	110141A-DDR1Q
MOD-DDR-F	700Mhz PS	110141A-DDR1F
MOD-DDR-S	800MHz PS	110141A-DDR1S

Cellular DDR Module Numbers

Part Number	Frequency Band	IC Certification Number
MOD-DDR-G	700 cell full band	110141A-DDR700FB
MOD-DDR-C	850 cell band	110141A-DDR850
MOD-DDR-P	1900 PCS	110141A-DDR1900
MOD-DDR-A	2100AWS	110141A-DDR2100
MOD-DDR-E	2600	110141A-DDR2600