FTB-5700 Single-Ended Dispersion Analyzer

AUTOMATED CD AND PMD MEASUREMENTS IN A SINGLE MODULE

The ultimate chromatic dispersion (CD) and polarization mode dispersion (PMD) characterization solution.

KEY FEATURES

- Single-ended testing of multiple links from one location— for fewer truck rolls and reduced OPEX
- Standards-compliant approach
- Get right results the first time thanks to a single-button operation
- Fully automated, highly intelligent interface
- From the no.1 vendor by market share for CD and PMD testing, based on Frost & Sullivan 2014 FOTE study

APPLICATIONS

- Accurate, complete 10 Gbit/s, 40 Gbit/s and 100 Gbit/s qualification
- Metro, core and cellular backhaul network testing
- Effective fiber-type identification using lambda zero, CD slope and coefficient in Raman deployments

PLATFORM COMPATIBILITY

- Platform FTB-2 or FTB-2 Pro
- Platform FTB-4 Pro
- Platform FTB-500

Feature(s) of this product is/are protected by one or more of: US patent 8,373,852; US patent 7,957,436 and equivalent patent(s) pending in other countries; and US patent 9,829,429 and equivalent patent(s) pending in other countries.
CD/PMD TESTING IN MOBILE BACKHAUL DEPLOYMENTS

Although capacity is expanding throughout the network, mobile backhaul is where growth is occurring the fastest. Mobile backhaul refers to the part of the network that connects the cell site base stations (also called baseband unit or EnodeB) to the metro network. With metro network spans sometimes exceeding 100 km, and mobile backhaul ranging from a few kilometers up to 120 km in length, these long distances can create dispersion issues which greatly degrade signal quality—since dispersion increases with distance. In addition, data rates now often reach 10 Gbit/s in mobile backhaul deployments; a data rate at which dispersion issues start to appear. It is therefore recommended to thoroughly test dispersion after construction or prior to upgrades.

Mobile backhaul architectures vary and can be point-to-point, ring or star. In all cases, single-ended testing with the FTB-5700 is preferable to dual-ended testing, because it requires less technicians and accordingly decreases operational expenses.

DISPERSION TESTING ON CLIENT SIDE DEPLOYMENT FEATURING CFPS

Historically, dispersion testing was performed mainly on the line side. Nowadays, dispersion testing is also required on the client side, driven by the adoption of Compact Form Pluggables (CFPs) for 40G/100G transmission. Given that multiwavelength CFPs can reach much longer distances than their predecessors (SFP, SFP+ and XFP)—up to 40 km—dispersion phenomena like CD and PMD, which scale with distance, can become an issue. The IEEE 802.3ba standard has set CD and PMD tolerances for client side deployments as follows:

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<tr>
<td>Operating distance</td>
<td>10 km</td>
<td>30 km</td>
<td>40 km</td>
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<td>Positive dispersion (max)</td>
<td>9.5 ps/nm</td>
<td>28 ps/nm</td>
<td>36 ps/nm</td>
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<td>Negative dispersion (min)</td>
<td>−28.5 ps/nm</td>
<td>−85 ps/nm</td>
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<td>DGD_max</td>
<td>8 ps</td>
<td>10.3 ps</td>
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<td>PMD_max</td>
<td>2.5 ps</td>
<td>3.2 ps</td>
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Notes:
- Positive dispersion and negative dispersion, as found in the standard, represent max and min CD values.
- Over the wavelength range 1294.53 nm to 1310.19 nm.
- Values provided by EXFO (not part of the standard), using a 3.19 value for DGD_max/PMD ratio corresponding to a 0.001% outage probability.

If a particular link does not meet these thresholds, it means that the transmitter/receiver pair is not required to operate within the specified BER. Therefore, the advent of CFPs make dispersion testing mandatory on the client side, and the single-ended FTB-5700 is perfect for the job.

CHROMATIC DISPERSION TESTING IN RAMAN DEPLOYMENTS

Raman is now an integral part of most coherent system deployments. To optimize Raman gain and efficiency, the fiber type of the effective area must be known. While it is known in most greenfield deployments, the same cannot be said for brownfield. When in doubt, the fiber type can be determined using the FTB-5700: lambda zero, CD slope and coefficient at 1550 nm. The FTB-5700 is uniquely positioned to take these measurements, and since it is single-ended, you will save on OPEX. Plus, the unit will calculate the fiber length for an accurate slope and coefficient measurement.
The high-speed networking market has been trying to reconcile two conflicting objectives: deliver the faster data rates—10G, 40G and 100G—demanded by subscribers, and keep OPEX down to maintain profitability. Most network operators are well on their way to achieving the first objective, thanks to new fiber deployments and new technology advances such as coherent detection, DPSK/DQPSK and ROADM-based mesh networks. However, the additional field work—installation, activation as well as the greater dispersion granularity now required—can push operation expenses in the wrong direction. These new requirements force operators to retain the services of more field crews, potentially reducing the average expertise level of technicians and increasing the rate of repeat jobs.

In a nutshell, network operators are having to absorb more CAPEX to equip their additional technicians, and even more importantly, they are also having to absorb more truck rolls and OPEX.

The good news is the aforementioned technology advances are making next-generation high-speed networks increasingly tolerant to dispersion, shifting the focus of the test instrument toward built-in intelligence, simpler setups and automated test sequences that generate results that are immediately accurate. EXFO’s FTB-5700 was designed to deliver exactly that, adding an exclusive, game-changing feature—single-endedness, which in itself dramatically reduces truck rolls.
THE ONLY SINGLE-ENDED PMD AND CD ANALYZER ON THE MARKET

Combining PMD and CD into one test solution that enables technicians to characterize multiple links from a single location, the FTB-5700 is built specifically for today’s high-speed network reality. Its highly intelligent interface and functionalities ensure that test parameters are automatically optimized, whatever the link.

FTB-5700 KEY FEATURES

› Groundbreaking single-ended testing technology reduces both the testing time and operational expenses (OPEX)
› Highly robust technology for underground and aerial fiber
› Intuitive user interface and single-ended approach offering first-time-right results
› Link-length measurement
› Complies with ITU G.650.3 fiber testing standard and FOTP-243 and FOTP-175B standards

SINGLE-ENDED TESTING: DRIVING OPEX DOWN IN A HURRY

In typical dual-ended dispersion testing scenarios, a technician has to be present at each fiber end. EXFO’s single-ended solution speeds up the process in two ways. First, engineer A does not have to wait for engineer B to arrive at the other end of the link with the light source. And second, fibers can be tested in multiple directions, turning a job that could take hours into one that takes minutes while reducing truck rolls and OPEX.

In a typical mesh network, unless several sections can be tested from a single node, technical crews must travel a lot.

Typically, single-ended testing allows full network characterization in 66% less time than any other traditional test method. Here is the impact on truck rolls for the mesh network illustrated above:

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<th>Test type</th>
<th>Number of technicians</th>
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<td>End-to-end</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>19</td>
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<td>Single-ended</td>
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<td>6</td>
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In this case, 68% less truck rolls

In addition to driving down OPEX, fewer truck rolls also mean faster delivery of new services—faster time to revenue.
GET IT RIGHT THE FIRST TIME

In today’s fast-paced world, repeat truck rolls are no longer an option. Thanks to its single-button operation and automated settings, the FTB-5700 guarantees that right results are obtained in a single measurement. Featuring easy-to-read pass/fail results and providing a view of all key parameters and values on one screen, the FTB-5700’s user interface is all about field-testing simplicity and efficiency.
FIBER CONNECTOR INSPECTION AND CERTIFICATION—THE ESSENTIAL FIRST STEP

Taking the time to properly inspect a fiber-optic connector can prevent a slew of problems down the line—saving you time, money and headaches.

FIP-430B | The First Fully Automated Fiber Inspection Probe for the Field

Housing a unique automatic focus adjustment system, the FIP-430B automates each operation in the connector endface inspection sequence, transforming this critical process into one quick and easy step, which can be performed by technicians of all skill levels.

100% Automated a | 1-step process b | 57% shorter test time b

3 models to fit your budget:

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<th>FEATURES</th>
<th>Basic FIP-410B</th>
<th>Semi-Automated FIP-420B</th>
<th>Fully-Automated FIP-430B</th>
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<td>Five-megapixel CMOS capturing device</td>
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<td>Automatic fiber image-centering function</td>
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<td>Automatic focus function</td>
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<td>On-board pass/fail analysis</td>
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<td>Pass/fail LED indicator</td>
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Read the FIP-400B specification sheet or visit www.EXFO.com/keepthefocus for more information.

Notes
a. Model FIP-430B only.
b. Data sourced from EXFO’s case study, with calculation based on typical analysis time.

FAST-TRACK DATA POST-PROCESSING WITH FASTREPORTER 2 SOFTWARE

The optional FastReporter 2 software package provides you with the post-processing tools and functionalities you need to optimize your test cycles, whatever the application. Designed for offline analysis of field-acquired data, FastReporter 2 offers powerful batch processing, a truly intuitive graphical interface as well as a direct bridge to EXFO Connect cloud-based management servers, which all contribute to boost your productivity and close jobs faster.

Flexible Reporting

Choose from various report templates, including PMD, CD, fiber characterization as well as combined reports with fiber inspection or OTDR results. Generate comprehensive cable reports in PDF, Excel or HTML format.

EXFO Connect

AUTOMATED ASSET MANAGEMENT. PUSH TEST DATA IN THE CLOUD. GET CONNECTED.

EXFO Connect pushes and stores test equipment and test data content automatically in the cloud, allowing you to streamline test operation from build-out to maintenance.
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### ORDERING INFORMATION

**Model**

- FTB-5700-CD-PMD = Single-ended CD and PMD analyzer
- FTB-5700-PMD = Single-ended PMD analyzer
- FTB-5700-CD = Single-ended CD analyzer

**Connector**

- EI-EUI-28 = UPC/DIN 47256
- EI-EUI-76 = UPC/HMS-10/AG
- EI-EUI-90 = UPC/FC narrow key
- EI-EUI-91 = UPC/ST
- EI-EUI-95 = UPC/SC
- EA-EUI-28 = APC/DIN 47256
- EA-EUI-89 = APC/FC narrow key
- EA-EUI-91 = APC/SC
- EA-EUI-95 = APC/E-2000

Example: FTB-5700-CD-PMD-EI-EUI-89

### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

| Measured wavelength range (nm) | 1475 to 1626 |
| Dynamic range (dB)             | 25 (32 with reflector) |
| Distance uncertainty (km)      | ±(0.01 + 1 % x distance) |

**Chromatic dispersion**

| Number of test points | 8 |
| CD uncertainty (ps/nm) h | ±10 |
| Test time (s)       | 40 |

**PMD**

| PMD display range (ps) | up to 50 |
| PMD range (strong mode coupling) (ps) | 0.1 to 20 |
| PMD uncertainty (strong mode coupling) (ps) d | ± (0.2 + 5 % x PMD) |
| Test time (s)       | <180 |

### GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

| Temperature operating | 0 °C to 50 °C (32 °F to 122 °F) |
| storage               | -40 °C to 70 °C (—40 °F to 158 °F) |
| Relative humidity     | 0 % to 95 % non-condensing |
| Size (H x W x D)      | 96 mm x 50 mm x 281 mm (3 ¾ in x 2 in x 11 in) |
| Weight                | 1.3 kg (2.8 lb) |

### LASER SAFETY

- Class 1 Laser Product
- 21 CFR 1040.10 and IEC 60825-1:2007

### Specialized Tests

For ultra-long-haul, submarine and amplified network applications, EXFO also offers the FTB-5800 CD Analyzer and FTB-5500B PMD Analyzer. For these modules, the above connector choice applies, but the FLS-5834A light source is required.

Locating high-PMD fiber spans can save a significant amount of time and OPEX. Conversely, failure to do so can result in substantial costs. Building on EXFO’s proven PMD measurement expertise, the FTB-5600 Distributed PMD Analyzer, which breaks down link assessment to pinpoint high-PMD sections, enables cost-effective, targeted upgrades.

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