Optical Power Meter Measurement of OLT Emission Selective Wavelength

Overview

This feature allows you to measure optical power at wavelengths corresponding to networks RFoG or xPON.

Key Takeaways

Accurate measurement of OLT optical power at selective wavelengths requires a wavelength-selective optical power meter or filtered PON tester to isolate the specific service wavelength, avoiding errors from multiple simultaneous signals.

Principles of Measurement

An optical power meter (OPM) measures the optical power in fiber systems using a calibrated photodiode sensor, typically made of Si, Ge, or InGaAs, depending on the wavelength range.

Standard OP

Ms are wavelength-dependent, meaning the detector's response varies with wavelength. For accurate measurements, the meter must either be set to the correct wavelength or use a wavelength-selective head that automatically compensates for spectral responsivity.

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N systems, OLT emissions often include multiple wavelengths simultaneously (e.g., 1490 nm for G-PON downstream, 1550 nm for broadcast video, 1577 nm for XGS-PON). Using a broadband power meter in such cases can produce incorrect readings because it sums the power from all wavelengths. Therefore, filtered or wavelength-selective meters are essential to isolate the target wavelength.

Equipment OptionsWavelength-Selective Optical Power Meters Instruments like the OMM-6810B with Power/Waveheads can measure both optical power and wavelength simultaneously. These heads self-calibrate for wavelength-dependent detector response, providing accurate power readings without manual wavelength entry. They are suitable for lab or production testing of OLT lasers and fiber links.

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N Testers Devices such as the VIAVI SmartPocket V2 OLP-39 allow simultaneous selective measurement of G/E-PON (1490 nm) and XGS-PON (1577 nm) wavelengths with a single fiber connection. These testers use optical filters to separate wavelengths, ensuring accurate power readings even when multiple services coexist on the same PON.

Measurement Procedure

Connect the meter to the OLT output using the appropriate fiber connector (SC, LC, etc.). Select the target wavelength on the meter or ensure the wavelength-selective head is in use. Calibrate the meter if necessary, using a reference source or transfer standard to account for detector responsivity.

Record the optical power displayed, ensuring the meter is not saturated and the fiber is properly aligned. Repeat for other wavelengths if multiple services are present, using either separate filtered measurements or a multi-wavelength tester.

Key Considerations

Avoid broadband meters when multiple wavelengths are present, as they cannot distinguish between signals. Use wavelength-selective or filtered meters to prevent measurement errors. Account for connector losses and fiber attenuation to ensure accurate absolute power readings.

Verify calibration periodically, especially for high-precision or production measurements. By following these practices, technicians can accurately measure OLT emission power at selective wavelengths, ensuring proper PON performance and service quality.

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This feature allows you to measure optical power at wavelengths corresponding to networks RFoG or xPON. The instrument is connected in "pass-through" mode, that is, it measures simultaneously the

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The NIST primary standard for all power measurements is an ECPR, or electrically calibrated pyroelectric radiometer, which measures optical power by comparing

FTTH analyser and selective OPM

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Optical Wavelength and Power Meters

The OMM-6810B is a power and wavelength meter capable of simultaneously measuring the optical power and wavelength of a laser source. A wide variety of measurement heads cover wavelength

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Is there a need for 1490 nm testing in PONs?

Once the active network equipment (OLT and ONT) are installed and activated a verification step is performed using an optical power meter to measure the transmission wavelength of the equipment.

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Optical power meters typically use semiconductor detectors since they are sensitive to light in the wavelengths and power levels common to fiber optics. Most fiber optic power meters are available

Optical power meter

An optical power meter (OPM) is a device used to measure the power in an optical signal. The term usually refers to a device used for measuring the average power in fiber optic systems.

VIAVI Presentation Template

Measuring Power Levels at the ONT This quick card describes how to connect to a fiber under test, configure FTTx settings, and read power measurements with the VIAVI OLP-87 NG-PON2 selective

Optical Power Meters

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