

Optical Spectrum Analyzer AQ6317B

High-accuracy and high-resolution optical spectrum analyzer for evaluating D-WDM systems and components.



High-accuracy and high-resolution optical spectrum analyzer for evaluating DWDM systems and components.

The AQ6317B is an advanced optical spectrum analyzer for a wide range of applications, including light source evaluation, measurement of loss wavelength characteristics in optical devices, and waveform analysis of WDM systems.

Especially at C and L band, the unit achieves high wavelength accuracy and wavelength linearity, and can evaluate optical devices for WDM. Analysis functions make operation and expandability simple.

In comparison with the former model, the wavelength accuracy of the AQ6317B has been improved to ±20 pm, and this is also specified for the L-band. The WDM analysis function and notch width analysis function have been improved, and a multi-channel NF analysis function and optical filter analysis function are new additions. It has become much easier to use owing to other improvements such as sweep speed-up.

The AQ6317B contains the latest Ando technology for optical spectrum analyzers — reference equipment for the next generation.



Features

High wavelength accuracy

Provides ± 0.02 nm wavelength accuracy at 1520 to 1580 nm, and ± 0.04 nm at 1580 to 1620 nm, with ± 0.01 nm wavelength linearity, making it especially useful for high-precision loss wavelength characteristics and other evaluation of WDM devices.

The horizontal axis corresponds to air wavelength, vacuum wavelength and frequency.

• High wavelength resolution

Achieves a wavelength resolution of 0.015 nm. Fig. 1: Measurement example of DFB laser spectrum.

• Wide dynamic range for 50 GHz WDM signals

The dynamic range is 70 dB at peak ± 0.4 nm, and 60 dB at peak ± 0.2 nm.

High-resolution measurement achieves wide dynamic range with 50 GHz spacing WDM system.

Fig. 2: Measurement example showing dynamic range.



Fig. 1: Example of output wavelength



Fig.2: Measurement example of transmission characteristic of 16channel AWG

• Low polarization dependency

Measurements such as optical amplifier gain can proceed with accuracy because polarization dependency is suppressed as low as ± 0.05 dB.

• High-level accuracy

Accurate within ±0.3 dB.

- 9.4-inch color LCD
- Pulsed light can be measured
- Three individual trace memories

Versatile analysis functions

Analysis functions for WDM and other optical devices (LD, LED, FBG, etc.).

Synchronous sweep

In conjunction with an AQ4321 Tunable Laser Source, much higher wavelength resolution/wide dynamic range can be achieved by high-speed synchronous sweep (Max. speed: 10 nm/1 sec).

• Wide band, high sensitivity and high power measurement

-90 to +20 dBm (1200 to 1600 nm)

-80 to +20 dBm (1600 to 1700 nm)

High sensitivity allows measurement of light at down to -90 dBm, covering from 1200 to 1600 nm.

Optical amplifiers and high-powered laser diodes can be measured directly because measurement of up to +20 dBm per one resolution is possible.

Applications

• WDM signal analysis

Simultaneously measure peak wavelength, peak level and SNR of DWDM signals of up to 200 channels. Measurement results can be displayed as wavelength difference/level difference to the reference channel, or wavelength difference/level difference to the ITU-T grid and its fluctuation width, as well as absolute value. The wavelength of the reference channel can be set through the one-touch GUI screen.



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WDM measured waveform

WDM measurement result

• Optical fiber amplifier (EDFA) evaluation

The ASE interpolation method is used to measure gain and NF up to 200 channels, key parameters for optical fiber amplifier evaluation. In conjunction with the AQ8423Z optical amplifier analyzer, the system can accurately measure gain and NF using the pulse method, which is optimal for evaluating WDM optical fiber amplifiers.





WDM waveform before/after amplification by EDFA

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Measurement results of gain and NF



Measurement example of EDFA gain and wavelength dependency of NF (Measurement results displayed on the AQ8423Z's screen)

Characteristic evaluation of optical passive devices

In conjunction with ASE light source, wide band light source, etc., users can simply proceed with fiber grating (FGB) and evaluation of passive devices such as the WDM filter. Peak/bottom wavelength, level, crosstalk, and ripple width can be simultaneously measured using the optical filter analysis function.



DUT (ex. FBG, WDM filter)



Measurement example of fiber grating notch width



Measurement example of transmission characteristics of WDM filter



Measurement example of transmission characteristics of 16-channel AWG

• Characteristic evaluation of optical multiplexer (OMUX) using synchronous sweep

In conjunction with the AQ4321 Tunable Laser Source, the AQ6317B achieves high wavelength resolution/wide dynamic range with high-speed synchronous sweep function, and result insertion loss, passed central wavelength and linearity as evaluation parameters of optical MUX/DEMUX.



Applications

• Various parameter evaluations of LED, FP-LD and DFB-LD

SMSR of LED, FP-LD and DFB-LD. Parameter evaluations such as side mode suppression ratio, etc. can proceed with one-touch operation.



DFB-LD measurement example

• Programming function

Memorizes measurement conditions, the measurement process, etc. at the outset. Enables a measurement system without use of the external controller by employing the AQ6317B as controller for external equipment. Program anything from measurement conditions of wavelength sweep width, set resolution, etc. to various analysis functions, printer output and floppy disk storage. Memorizes up to 20 programs, and eliminates complicated manufacturing operations.



Example showing measurement parameterchange

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Programming example

Long-term function

Sweeps all set times and stores (max. 1,000 points) the results of WDM analysis (peak wavelength, peak level and SNR of each channel). An effective function for ascertaining long-term changes of each channel or for cycle testing of devices.



Example of long-term function (all channel display)



Example of long-term function (single channel display)

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Specifications

Applicable fibers		SMF, GI (50/125 μm)		
Measuremen	nt wavelength	600 to 1750 nm		
range ¹⁾				
Wavelength	accuracy ^{1,3)}	± 0.02 nm (1520 to 1580 nm , after calibration with		
		build-in reference light source)		
		±0.04 nm (1580 to 1620 nm , after calibration with		
		build-in reference light source)		
		±0.5 nm (600 to 1750 nm)		
Wavelength	linearity ^{1, 3)}	±0.01 nm (1520 to 1580 nm)		
		±0.02 nm (1580 to 1620 nm)		
Wavelength	repeatability ^{1,3)}	±0.005 nm (1 min)		
Wavelength	resolution ^{1,3)}	Max. resolution: 0.015 nm or better (1520 to 1620 nm,		
		RESOLN: 0.01 nm)		
		Resolution setting: 0.01, 0.02, 0.05, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 1.0, 2.0 nm		
Resolution a	ccuracy ^{1,3)}	±5 %: (1300 to 1650 nm, RESOLN: 0.05 nm or more,		
		resolution correction: ON)		
Measuremen	nt level range ^{2,3)}	-90 to +20 dBm (1200 to 1650 nm, SENS: HIGH3)		
		-80 to +20 dBm (1000 to 1200 nm, SENS: HIGH3)		
		-60 to +20 dBm (600 to 1000 nm, SENS: HIGH3)		
Level accura	ICY ^{2, 3)}	±0.3 dB (1310/1550 nm, input: -30 dBm,		
		SENS:HIGH1-3)		
Level linearit	y ^{2,3)}	±0.05 dB (input: +10 to -50 dBm, SENS: HIGH1-3)		
Level flatnes	S ^{2,3)}	±0.1 dB (1520 to 1580 nm), ±0.2 dB (1580 to 1620 nm)		
Polarization	dependency ^{2,3)}	±0.05 dB (1550/1600 nm), ±0.05 dB typ. (1310 nm)		
Dynamic ran	ige 3)	60 dB (1523 nm, peak ±0.2 nm, resolution: 0.01 nm)		
		70 dB (1523 nm, peak ±0.4 nm, resolution: 0.01 nm)		
		45 dB (1523 nm, peak ±0.2 nm, resolution: 0.1 nm)		
Sweep time		Approx. 500 ms (SPAN: 100 nm or less, SENS: NORM		
		HOLD, AVR: 1, SMPL: 501, resolution correction: OFF)		
		Approx. 0.5 min (SPAN: 100 nm or less, SENS: HIGH2,		
		AVR: 1,SMPL:501, No signal)		
Function	Automatic	Program function (20 program, 200 steps),		
	measurement	Long-term measurement function		
	Setting of	Span setting: 0 to 1200 nm		
	measuring	Measuring sensitivity setting: NORMAL HOLD/AUTO,		
	conditions	MID, HIGH1/2/3		
		Number of averaging setting: 1 to 1000 times		
		Sample number setting: 11 to 20001, AUTO		
		Automatic setting function of measuring conditions		
		Sweep-between-marker function		
		0 nm sweep function		
		Pulse light measurement function		
		Air/vacuum wavelength measurement function		
		TLS synchronized measurement function		

Function	Trace display	Level scale setting: 0.1 to 10 dB/div, linear		
		Simultaneous display of 3 independent traces		
		Max./Min. hold display		
		Roll averaging display		
		Calculation-between-traces display		
		Normalized display		
		Curve-fit display		
		3D display		
		Split display		
		Power density display, % display, dB/km display		
		Frequency display of horizontal axis scale		
	Data analysis	WDM waveform analysis (Wavelength/Level/SNR list display),		
		Optical fiber amplifier analysis (GAIN/NF, Single/Multi channel),		
		PMD analysis, Optical filter analysis, DFB-LD analysis,		
		FP-LD analysis, LED analysis, SMSR analysis,		
		Peak search, bottom search, spectral width search, notch width search		
		Delta marker (max. 200), line marker (analysis range specification)		
		Graph display of long-term measurement result		
	Others	Self-wavelength calibration function (using built-in		
		reference light source)		
Memory	Build-in FDD	3.5-inch 2HD		
	Internal memory	32 traces, 20 programs		
	File format	Trace file, program file, measuring condition file,		
		Text file (trace, analysis data, etc.),		
		Graphics file (BMP,TIFF)		
Data output	Printer	Built-in high speed thermal printer		
Interface	Remote control	GP-IB (2 ports)		
		TLS control interfaces (TTL)		
	Others	Sweep trigger input (TTL)		
		Sample enable input (TTL)		
		Sample trigger input (TTL)		
		Analog output (0 to 5 V)		
		Video output (VGA)		
Display		9.4-inch color LCD (Resolution: 640 x 480 dots)		
Optical connector		FC (Standard)		
Power requirement		AC 100 to 120/200 to 240 V, 50/60 Hz		
Environmental conditions		Operating temperature: 5 to 40 °C		
		Storage temperature: -10 to +50 °C		
		Humidity: 80 %RH or less (No condensation)		
Dimensions	and mass 4)	Approx. 425 (W) x 222 (H) x 450 (D) mm, approx. 30 kg		

Notes:

1) Horizontal scale: wavelength display mode

Vertical scale: absolute power display mode
 Vertical scale: absolute power display mode, RESOLN: 0.05 nm or more, resolution correction: OFF
 At 15 to 30 °C, with 10/125 µm single mode fiber, after 2 hours of warm-up, after optical alignment
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