

# **Optical Spectrum Analyzer**

# **OSA-APX** series



# **Optical Complex Spectrum Analyzer**

# **OCSA-APX** series





# **APEX Technologies**



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# THE WORLD HIGHEST RESOLUTION OPTICAL SPECTRUM ANALYZER

Based on an interferometric principle, our ultra high resolution optical spectrum analyzer can achieve a 500 times better resolution than monochromator OSA

# **OSA-APX** Series

## Features

- From 5 MHz to 250 GHz resolution
- -Now available at any wavelengths between 1030 nm to 1630 nm
- +/- 2 pm wavelength accuracy
- High dynamic range
- Rectangular-shape resolution filters
- High close-in dynamic range
- Built-in tunable laser source



## High close-in dynamic range

The resolution of APEX Technologies OSA are not related to optical filters but electrical ones. These electrical filters are close to rectangular shape.

Thanks to these special electrical filter forms, the close-in dynamic range is very high :

- @ +/- 0.1 pm from the peak, dynamic > 40 dB

- @ +/- 0.4 pm from the peak, dynamic > 60 dB

- 0 +/- 6 pm from the peak, dynamic > 80 dB The high close-in dynamic range helps to well separate optical peaks which are extra-close to each other.

## Rectangular shape filters

APEX Technologies OSA rectangular shape filters allow a nearly perfect integration of the signal over the selected resolution, while a grating based OSA filter integrates inside a wide base triangular shape.

This sharp integration allows our OSA to perform a much more realistic level measurement.



APEX Technologies and grating based OSA wavelength resolution filters shapes comparison

# Applications

- Advanced modulation formats analysis

- Comb generator measurement
- Laser characterization
- OSNR measurement
- Optical component characterization



## Now available at any wavelengths between 1030 nm to 1630 nm



## High wavelength accuracy

The two different internal wavelength calibrators (absolute and relative) furnish to the equipment an accurate wavelength value of the TLS position. This technique provides a very high wavelength accuracy specification of +/-2 pm.

The absolute wavelength calibrator is a gas cell and the relative one is a Fabry-Perot with a fixed Free Spectral Range

## Two internal channels (one OSA per polarization axis)

## SM input independent of polarization:

The input signal is split into two orthogonal polarization axis and analyzed simultaneously by two internal independent channels. By using this method, APEX OSA can display the two polarization channels separately or recombine them and display a polarization independent measurement.

## Additional two PM inputs:

Optionally, two different additional PM inputs are available. The two signals can be analysed simultaneously by two internal independent channels. By using this method, APEX OSA can display the two signals separately.

## **Tunable Laser Source & Tracking generator**

- The built-in Tunable Laser Source local oscillator can also be used as an independent TLS. In option, a TLS output and a control software can be integrated into the equipment.

- The tracking generator option allows the user to synchronise the wavelength TLS output with the OSA measurement. With this combination, active and passive components transmission measurements (insertion loss/gain) are possible with a dynamic range of 63 dB and a resolution of 1 MHz.

## **Polarization analysis**

Optionally, the equipment can be used as a polarimeter (SOP and DOP measurement). Three different displaying modes exist: Jones graph, Poincaré sphere and Stokes parameter oscilloscope. The SOP can be measured with an accuracy of +/- 0.25°. Polarization extinction ratio (PER) can be measured too

# Absolute calibrator Relative calibrator



Bragg grating profile measurement using the tracking generator



Jones Vector

Poincaré sphere



# OPTICAL COMPLEX SPECTRUM ANALYZER FOR ADVANCED MODULATION ANALYSIS

# OCSA-APX

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- +/- 2 pm wavelength accuracy
- High dynamic range
- Rectangular-shape resolution filters
- High close-in dynamic range
- Built-in tunable laser source
- No Baud rate limitation
- No modulation format limitation (BPSK, DPSK, 16QAM, 64QAM...)

- Phase, chirp, intensity vs time -Constellation - Eye diagram

## Applications

- Advanced modulation formats analysis

- Modulator characterization
- Comb generator temporal and spectral measurement
- Chromatic dispersion analysis
- Complex transfer function of components

Use it as an high performances OSA and Optical Modulation Analyzer !

This equipment is based on interferometric method and is able to measure spectrums with the same specifications as the OCSA-APX instruments. It also has the added benefit of measuring phase as a function of frequency. The phase and intensity informations can then be used to calculate chirp, phase, alpha parameter or pulse shape as a function of time. Furthermore it can display constellation, phase and intensity eye diagrams.



#### OCSA Spectral Inverse PM Input HR-OSA . Relative Pha FOURIER Analyzer Transform DISPLAY SM Input PM Input 2 Spectral Relative Phas Inverse FOURIER HR-OSA Analyzer Transform

# OCSA time-domain measurement advantages

Contrary to standard optical modulation analyzers and thanks to the fact that the measurement is made in the spectral domain, APEX Technologies OCSA have no real rate-limitation.

It means that you can see it as an utopist 3 THz bandwidth optical modulation analyzer without electronic limitation able to measure any modulated signal rates (from 70 Mbaud to  $\sim$  1,5 Tbaud).

Furthermore, it does not need any special software adapted to each modulation format and can measure any of them even the very rare and the new ones.

Pattern

Generator

Optical

Modulator

Pattern

Generator

Optical

Modulator

Measurement configuration with OCSA-APx

**RF** Signal

AP268X

AP268X

Optical

SM Input

Optical Signal

Clock Input

Clock Input

Using the automatical clock detected from

optical input signal

Optical

Source

Using synchronised RF

Optical

Source

## Complex measurement setup

As mentioned, a complex measurement needs not only the intensity but also the phase as a function of frequency. To measure the phase, the signal under test must be a repetitive signal with a pattern frequency between 70 MHz to 900 MHz. Commercially available PPG and AWG are able to generate the right pattern length to match this pattern frequency range for any signal-rate.

A reference RF pattern clock repetition signal is also required. Manually, the user can plug an external clock to the equipment. To simplify the setup, a new optical clock recovery function is available, it allows to do complex measurement without reference clock signal.



Optical complex analysis of a PRBS signal with the pattern length of 2<sup>7</sup>-1

# User-friendly and powerful user interface

With only a few clicks, via the touch screen or USB mouse, you could have all types of results of your measurement displayed : - High resolution spectrum

- Intensity, phase vs. frequency
- Intensity, phase, Alpha parameter, chirp vs. time
- Eye diagram, constellation
- Group delay, chromatic dispersion - Complex transfer function of
- components

How to choose your OSA/OCSA:

## OSA/OCSA models comparison table

# **STEP 1**

Choose The OSA correponding to your need:

- OSA-AP1: The best performance price ratio OSA C+L bands maximal wavelengh range

-OSA-AP5: Top of the line (around 1064 nm)

-OSA-AP6: Top of Line Telecommunication range from 1260 to 1630 nm

## Choose the built-in Tunable Laser(s)

- OSA-AP1 (You can integrate up to 2 Tunable Lasers): - C band laser (OSA-AP1-C)
- L band laser (OSA-AP1-L)
- C+L band laser (OSA-AP1-CL)

- OSA-AP5: 1 Laser from 1030 to 1070 nm only

- OSA-AP6 (You can integrate up to 4 Tunable Lasers):

- OSA-AP6-CL: From 1525 to 1607 nm - OSA-AP6-O: From 1260 to 1360 nm
- OSA-AP6-E: From 1335 to 1435 nm
- OSA-AP6-S: From 1435 to 1520 nm
- OSA-AP6-CLO: C + L & O bands
- OSA-AP6-CLE: C + L & E bands
- OSA-AP6-CLS: C + L & S bands
- OSA-AP6-OS: S & O bands - OSA-AP6-OE: O & E bands
- OSA-AP6-ES: E & S bands
- OSA-AP6-CLOE: C + L & O & E bands OSA-AP6-CLOS: C + L & O & S bands
- OSA-AP6-CLES: C + L & E & S bands
- OSA-AP6-OSE: O & S & E bands
- OSA-AP6-CLOSE: C + L & O & S & E bands

# STEP 3

## Choose additional common option(s):

- OSA-APX-1: Tunable Laser output and software
- OSA-APX-2-1: Component analysis with SM fiber output
- OSA-APX-2-2: Component analysis with PM fiber output
- OSA-APX-3: Three inputs (1 SM + 2 PM inputs)
- OSA-APX-4: Polarimeter from 1260 to 1630 nm
- OSA-APX-5: GPIB remote control
- OSA-APX-6: Upgrade the C+L band to extended C+L band
- OSA-APX-7: Tunable Laser Source in external benchtop

		OSA-AP1	OSA-AP5 &	OSA-AP6 &		
			OCSA-AP5	OCSA-AP6		
Wavelen	Wavelength ranges (depending on built-in Tunable Laser(s) possibility(es))					
Around	1064 nm		$\checkmark$			
Ob	band			$\checkmark$		
Eb	band			$\checkmark$		
Sb	band			$\checkmark$		
Cb	band	$\checkmark$				
Lb	and	$\checkmark$				
C+L	bands			$\checkmark$		
Extended	C+L bands			$\checkmark$		
Resolution Bandwidth						
Optical filter	5 MHz	Optional	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
bandwidth	20 MHz	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
resolutions	100 MHz	Optional	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
	140 MHz	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
Virtual bandw	idth resolutions	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
	Built-in Tu	nable Laser source	e type			
DFB Las	sers array	$\checkmark$				
External cavity laser			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
(Littman -Metcalf principle)						
	Swe	eep Speed (Max.)				
1.2 nm/s		$\checkmark$				
35 nm/s			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
	Possibility to inte	egrate several Tun	able Lasers			
Built-in Tunable Laser(s) room		2 Lasers room	1 Laser room	4 Lasers room		
Complex measurement						
Complex analysis	s (intensity, phase,		VOCSA-AP5	√OCSA-AP6		
chirp v	s. time);		X OSA-AP5	X OSA-AP6		
constellation	, eye diagram					
Possibility to upgrade an OSA-APX into an OCSA-APX						
Upgradable equipment			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
Possibility to upgrade with additional built-in Tunable Laser(s)						
Upgradable equipment		$\checkmark$				

# OSA/OCSA specifications

	OSA-AP1		OSA-AP5	OSA-AP6				
Wavelength measurement range <sup>a</sup>	Option OSA-AP1-C: From 1526 to 1567 nm	Option OSA-AP1-L: From 1567 to 1608 nm	T band TILS from 1030 to 1070 nm	O band TLS from 1260 to 1360 nm	E band TLS from 1335 to 1435 nm	S band TLS from 1435 to 1520 nm	C+L band TLS from 1525 to 1607 nm	Extended C+L band TLS from 1520 to 1630 nm
Wavelength span range <sup>a</sup>	8pm to 41nm	8pm to 41 nm	8pm to 40 nm	8pm to 100 nm	8pm to 100 nm	8pm to 85 nm	8pm to 82 nm	8pm to 110 nm
Wavelength resolution (@3dB) <sup>a</sup>	5MHz/0.04pm and 100MHz/0.8pm (standard resolution included with OSA-AP5, OSA-AP6 ; Optional for OSA-AP1 with option OSA-AP1-3) 20MHz/0.16pm 140MHz/1.12pm Optical virtual bandwidth resolutions							
Absolute wavelength accuracy <sup>b</sup>	+/- 2pm Typ. (+/- 3pm Max.)							
Wavelength repeatability	< 0.5pm (standard deviation over 20 measures)							
Dynamic range <sup>d</sup>	C band ° : 86 dB L band /C+L band ° : 83 dB			79dB <sup>h</sup> 87dB <sup>h</sup>			7dB <sup>h</sup>	
Close-in dynamic range	>40dB ° @ +/- 1.3pm   >40dB <sup>h</sup> @ +/- 0.1pm;     >60dB ° @ +/- 8pm;   >60dB <sup>h</sup> @ +/- 0.4pm;     >80dB ° @ +/- 30pm   >80dB <sup>h</sup> @ +/- 6pm							
Spurious free dynamic	55dB Typical(50dB min) <sup>(1) c</sup> 55dB Typical(50dB min) <sup>(1) h</sup>							
Measurement level range <sup>d</sup>	C band <sup>c</sup> : -76 dBm to +10 dBm L band/C+L band <sup>c</sup> : -76dBm to +10 dBm		-73 to +10dBm <sup>h</sup>	-69dBm to +10dBm <sup>h</sup>	-73 to +10dBm <sup>h</sup>			
Absolute level accuracy a ef	+/- 0.3dB <sup>(2)</sup> (monochromatic input signal)							
Level repeatability f	< +/- 0.1dB (monochromatic input signal ; standard deviation over 20 measures)							
Sweep time	Max. 35nm/s (filter resolution 100MHz)							
Optical input	FC/PC for SM fiber (other connectors under request)							
Dimensions	OSA-AP1 : W x H x D : 488 x 242 x 380.1 mm / 15.27 x 9.57 x 14.96 inch ; OSA-AP5, OSA-AP6 : W x H x D : 450 x 250 x 500 mm / 17.72 x 9.84 x 19.69 inch							
Weight	OSA-AP1 : Around 18 kg / 39.68 lbs (depending on options) OSA-AP5, OSA-AP6 : Around 13 kg / 28.66 lbs (depending on options)							

# Optical complex spectrum analyser

	OCSA-APx
All specifications except modulation analysis related	Identical as OSA-APx
Spectrum domain measurement	Intensity, Phase
Time domain measurement	Intensity, Phase, Chirp, Constellation, Intensity or phase eye diagrams
Clock input frequency	Clock frequency = repetition rate
Optical bandwidth	3THz
Polarization	2 Modulation Analyzer, 1 for each polarization channel
Clock power	> -17dBm at repetition rate
Repetition rate (direct measurement)	From 70 MHz to 900MHz
Repetition rate after modulation <sup>i</sup> (= Initial repetition rate / pattern length)	From 70MHz to NO UPPER LIMITATION Including 10, 40, 100, 400GHz, 1THz etc. For example At 100 Gbaud : use any pattern length between 100 and 1428 (PRBS 2 <sup>1</sup> -1, 2 <sup>1</sup> -1, 2 <sup>2</sup> -1, 2 <sup>11</sup> -1 included)
Measured modulation format	ALL
Optical spectral components measurement sensibility	-70dBm
Maximum temporal resolution	325fs
Measurement time	6nm/s (750GHz/s)

# General specifications

X scale display	Wavelength in nm or frequency in GHz
Y scale display	Optical power in mW or dBm
Connectics	GPIB, Ethernet, Electrical trigger input port, USB, VGA
Power requirements	100 to 240 V AC, 50/60 Hz, approx. 350 VA
Environmental c_nditions	Operating temperature: +5 to +35°C Storage temperature: -10 to +50°C Humidity: 20 to 80% RH (no condensation)

# OSA and OCSA options

	OSA-AP1	OSA-AP5/OCSA-AP5, OSA-AP6/OCSA-AP6			
Tunable Laser Source Specifications (Option OSA-APX-1/OCSA-APX-1)					
Wavelength range	Identical as the WL measurement range of the chosen model				
Spectrum line width (@3dB)	1MHz Typical	< 300 kHz			
Output power <sup>a</sup>	- C-Band : -3dBm - L-Band : -4 dBm Typical - C+L Band : -6dBm @ C-Band, -7 dBm @ L-band	-1 Laser: -7 dBm -2 Laser: -11 dBm -3 Laser: -14 dBm			
SMSR	> 50dBc	> 45dBc			
ASE	< 50dBc over 0.1nm				
RIN	-135dB/Hz				
Wavelength stability	1pm @ 15 minutes, 2pm @ 1 hour	+/- 1pm @ 1 hour			
Power stability	0.07dB @ 15 minutes, 0.09dB @ 1 hour				
Fiber/connector type	PM fiber FC/APC connector				
Optical tracking g	enerator specifications (Option OSA-APX-2/OCSA-APX-2)				
Dynamic <sup>g</sup>	55dB	60dB			
Resolution	1MHz				
3	inputs (Option OSA-APX-3/OCSA-A	NPX-3)			
Input connectors	FC/PC for SM fiber input x1				
	FC/APC for PM fiber inputs x2				
	arimeter (Option OSA-APX-4/OCSA	-APX-4)			
vvavelength range	1520 to 1610 nm				
Input power range	-60 to +10 dBm				
Maximum sampling rate					
SOP accuracy	+/-U.25" (-3U to +2 dBm) ; < 2" (-35 to+5 dBm)				
Displaying modes	+/ 0.25° / 30 to +2 dBm)				
Ellipticity accuracy	+/-0.25° (-30 to +2 dBm)				
	$\pm 1.0.23$ (-30 to $\pm 2.0$ Bm)				
Bolativo Bower accuracy	+/-0.2% (-35 to +5 dBm)				
	+/-U.2% (-35 to +5 dBm)				
Remote control by GPIB (Ontion OSA_APY_5/OCSA_APY_5)					
Ethernet (standard) + GPIB (Optional) ports for remote control					
Group delay and chromatic dispersion analysis (Option OCSA-APX-6)					
Possibility to measure the phase, the group delay and the chromatic dispersion of a component with an external reference signal (optical modulated signal or comb laser)					

- a) Typical
- b) After wavelength calibrationc) Resolution 20MHz
- d) 4 dB dynamic loss in case of polarimeter
- e) At 1550 or 1310 nm and 0dBm
- f) All resolutions except 5MHz
- g) Resolution 140MHz
- h) Resolution 5MHz
- i) If modulation frequency = initial repetition rate

Inside spurious free dynamic
Relative to total signal power
Otherwise: possible power offset
10<sup>-6</sup> x Total signal power (mW)

# Stand-alone OSA/OCSA Source Benchtop

APEX Technologies now proposes compact stand-alone benchtop with many possibilities of remote control technologies and a user-friendly interface.





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