

Optical splitter local test



AI Overview

You can test an optical splitter locally by performing a double-ended loss test using an optical power meter and light source, measuring insertion and excess loss for each output port.

Equipment Needed

- Optical light source (at the appropriate wavelength for the splitter)
- Optical power meter
- Launch reference cables (to connect the source and meter to the splitter)
- Clean fiber connectors and adapters

Step-by-Step Testing Procedure

Set Up the Light Source Connect a launch reference cable to the optical light source. Some splitters are wavelength-dependent, so ensure the source matches the splitter's operating wavelength.

Calibrate the Power Meter Attach the other end of the launch reference cable to the optical power meter and set the meter to read 0 dB. This establishes a reference for measuring loss.

Connect the Splitter Attach the input of the splitter to the light source via the launch cable. Connect a receive launch cable from one output port of the splitter to the power meter.

Measure Loss Record the optical power reading on the meter. This measures the insertion loss, which includes the splitting loss and any excess loss from manufacturing or connectors.

Test All Output Ports Move the receive cable to each output port in turn and record the loss for each. For 1xN splitters, repeat this for all N outputs. For 2xN splitters, test each input to all outputs sequentially.

Reverse Direction (Optional) To test upstream functionality, reverse the direction: connect the light source to an output port and measure at the input. This ensures the splitter performs symmetrically in both directions.

Additional Considerations

- Excess Loss:** The difference between input power and the total output power across all ports. It should be minimal to ensure efficient signal distribution.
- Environmental Factors:** Splitters can be sensitive to microbends, connector damage, or improper fiber management, which may affect local testing results.
- Wavelength Testing:** For wavelength-dependent splitters, test at multiple wavelengths to verify consistent performance.
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