Data Sheet



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MAP Swept Wavelength System

(mSWS)

The new MAP-based Swept Wavelength System (mSWS-A2) is the next generation of an industry standard. More than 100 manufacturers around the world rely on the SWS to measure insertion loss (IL), polarization dependent loss (PDL), return loss (RL), and directivity as a function of wavelength in both research and development (R&D) and production environments. The new mSWS-A2 raises the bar on test speed, accuracy, and resolution, all while maintaining its patented distributed architecture to deliver the lowest-cost testing in the industry.

The mSWS System validates optical performance for the latest in optical components and modules including: colorless, directionless, contentionless (CDC) ROADMs, high-port-count wavelength switches, tunable filters, and circuit packs. Leveraging the capabilities of the current generation of SWS2000 tunable laser and source optics module (SOM), the new mSWS system now adds a next-generation measurement receiver based on VIAVI Solutions MAP-300 Photonics test platform.

With ± 0.002 nm absolute wavelength accuracy over the entire 1520 to 1630 nm range, the mSWS maintains its full performance specifications at 100 nm/s, which is double that of earlier generations. New variable wavelength resolution functionality has been added that lets users select the resolution from an unprecedented 0.4 to 3 pm.



Key Benefits

- Complete C and L band characterization of high-port-count devices in less than 5 seconds at maximum dynamic range with unprecedented wavelength resolution
- Patented parallel test architecture dramatically increases manufacturing output at a fraction of your initial investment
- Lets you compete in Next-Gen CDC device manufacturing
- Cuts floor-space requirements in half compared to previous SWS generations
- Maximize production up-time with local service options

Applications

Perform optical component and module characterization using these devices in both R&D and manufacturing environments:

- ROADMs, wavelength-selective switches, wavelength blockers
- · Optical circuit packs
- Dense-wavelength-division multiplexers (DWDM)
- Tunable filters, couplers, splitters, switches, attenuators, interleavers
- Microelectromechanical systems (MEMs) and waveguide devices

Safety Information

Complies with CE requirements as well as UL3101.1 and CAN/CSA - C22.2 No. 1010.1. The laser source in the Source Optics Module (SWS20010) is Class 1. The Tunable Laser Source (SWS17101) is a Class 3B laser. Both the module and laser source are classified per IEC standard 60825-1(2002) and comply with 21CFR1040.10, except for deviations per Laser Notice No. 50, July 2001.





With a dynamic range of >70 dB, the mSWS provides industry-leading performance combined with low cost of ownership. The patented distributed architecture supports up to eight separate, individually-controlled measurement stations per source laser. Often purchased initially as an R&D tool, its measurement station scalability lets customers flexibly transition the equipment from R&D to production.

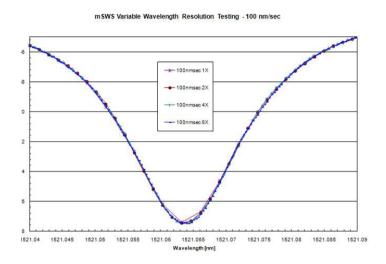


Figure 1. Example of ultra-high resolution where all data was collected at 100 nm/s sweep speed

Installed SWS2000 systems can be upgraded by adding new mSWS-A2-based measurement stations to maximize the benefit to existing SWS users within their existing capital infrastructure.

The SWS directly measures IL, PDL, and insertion loss as a function of wavelength and measures RL with the optional RL modules.



Figure 2. Example of mSWS interleaver scan

Using the raw IL and PDL data, the newly updated, easy-to-use application software's comprehensive set of analysis tools calculate these parameters relative to the measured peak, ITU grid, or user-defined grid:

- loss at peak
- center wavelength, from x dB threshold
- loss at center wavelength
- bandwidth at x dB threshold
- crosstalk, left/right, and cumulative
- flatness



Figure 3. Improved software with easy-to-use analysis tools

The set of mSWS-A2 data link layers (DLLs) can be used to develop software for custom testing requirements. The DLLs function through the mSWS receiver hardware, allowing access to all SWS functionality. Using the supplied DLLs, users can develop applications in Visual Basic $^{\mathsf{TM}}$, C, C++, or LabView environments.

With a 4-state polarization controller located within the SOM, PDL and average loss can be measured quickly as a function of wavelength. It can measure four polarization states at 0°, 90°, –45°, and circular polarization and uses the Mueller matrix analysis to accurately determine PDL at all wavelengths scanned.

Integrating the mSWS functions into the MAP-300 platform lets users access the full power of the MAP-300 application modules. Test systems can be automated with additional switches and laser sources. Fitting the MAP-300 with various connector inspection tools keeps dirty connectors from corrupting measurement results.

Specifications

Parameter	Specification			
Wavelength				
Range	1520.086 to 1630 nm			
Accuracy	±2 pm absolute			
Resolution	User selectable at 3, 1.5, 0.75, or 0.4 pm			
Measurement Time (all channels are m		•		
SOM sweep rates	10, 20, 40, and 100 n	m/s		
Sweep periods (s) ¹				
C band time				
10 nm/s	8			
20 nm/s	5.5	5.5		
40 nm/s	4			
100 nm/s	3	3		
C L band time				
10 nm/s	15			
20 nm/s	9			
40 nm/s	6			
100 nm/s	4			
Insertion Loss				
Measurement range ²				
Stand-alone station	70 dB	70 dB		
Distributed station	60 dB			
Noise ⁴ at 10 nm/sweep rate	0 to -20 dB	< ±0.005 dB		
	−20 to −40 dB	< ±0.02 dB		
	−40 to −50 dB	< ±0.05 dB		
	−50 to −60 dB	< ±0.2 dB		
Base uncertainty ³	±0.03 dB			
Resolution	0.001 dB	0.001 dB		
Maximum slope tracking at 10 nm/s	0 to -60 dB IL	>0.4 dB/pm		
Parameter	Specification			
Return Loss				
Measurement range⁵	60 dB			
Noise ⁴ at 10 nm/s	0 to -20 dB	< ±0.02 dB		
	−20 to −40 dB	< ±0.06 dB		
	-40 to -50 dB	< ±0.2 dB		
	−50 to −60 dB	< ±0.5 dB		
PDL				
Measurement range ⁶	50 dB			
Noise ⁴ at 10 nm/s	0 to -20 dB	< ±0.01 dB		
	−20 to −40 dB	< ±0.04 dB		
	-40 to -50 dB	< ±0.1 dB		
Resolution	0.001 dB	0.001 dB		

^{1.} In continuous scanning mode with delay set to zero and direct Ethernet connection; high-channel-count systems will require several seconds of delay

^{2.} For > 10 dBm to DUT

^{3.} Total IL uncertainty before noise or slope error, assuming SOM to mSWS-A2RX receiver fiber static, FC/PC connector to mSWS-A2DM detector, and temperature within ±1°C

^{4.} Noise value is 3 X standard deviation

^{5.} Requires ORL utility cassette, which is used in conjunction with mSWS-A2DM and mSWS-A2RX cassettes

^{6.} At -10 dBm to DUT and a sweep rate of 10 nm/s; measurement range reduced at higher speeds

Ordering Information

mSWS Core System		
Description	Part Number	
C+L band tunable laser	mSWS-A2SLS	
Dual-output integrated source optic module (SOM)	mSWS-A2S0M	
Four-output telemetry transmitter expansion module (SOM)	mSWS-A2TX	
MAP-300 8-slot mainframe ¹	MAP-380	
mSWS quad detector module	mSWS-A2DM	
mSWS telemetry receiver	mSWS-A2RX	
ORL utility cassette	mUTL-A1000 with option MUTL-A150LR	
PM fiber jumper for mSWS	mSWS-PMJ	
mSWS Optional Equipment and Accessories		
Detector cap	AC900	
FC detector adapter	AC901	
ST detector adapter	AC102	
SC detector adapter	AC903	
LC detector adapter	AC918	
Bare fiber adapter holder	AC920	
Bare fiber adapter (Includes one AC920)	AC921	

¹Refer to MAP-300 data sheet for available mainframe options.



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