

VARIABLE ATTENUATOR

IQS-3100

R&D AND MANUFACTURING—OPTICAL



- Excellent spectral uniformity of ± 0.1 dB
- 100 dB maximum attenuation
- Monitor output option
- Ultra-low insertion loss
- Ideal for BER testing
- Singlemode and multimode

A Fully Programmable IQS Solution

Optical system vendors and transceiver manufacturers know that variable attenuators are essential in order to keep their test systems running smoothly. They look for performance, user-friendliness, complete control of test parameters and advanced programming capability. EXFO's IQS-3100 Variable Attenuator combines innovative design techniques, high-quality components and meticulous calibration procedure.

Reliability and repeatable performance. That's what the IQS-3100 offers, in a flexible and fully programmable module built for both singlemode and multimode applications. Choose from three attenuation modes: absolute, relative and X+B. Cycle through a repeatable sequence of up to 100 attenuation steps. Need to highlight SMF and MMF application. Add a user-friendly Windows environment, and you've got a first-class variable attenuator.

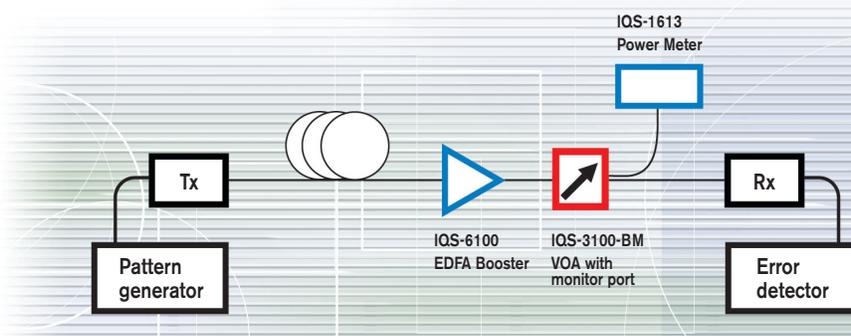


IQS-3100 with monitor port.

APPLICATIONS

- BER testing
- EDFA characterization
- System or component loss simulation
- Accurate power-level monitoring
- Instrument calibration
- Linearity measurement
- Precision variable optical source output
- Spectral tuning
- Optical margin analysis

Bit-error-rate measurement



Typical BERT setup.

The IQS-3100-BM allows you to precisely control the amount of power your receiver (Rx) under test detects and, therefore, to achieve proper BER measurements. The IQS-3100-CM or IQS-3100-DM would be used for a similar characterization for multimode applications.

A Simple, Flexible and User-Friendly GUI

CUSTOMIZED PARAMETERS

Easily customize wavelength and step size parameters according to specific requirements.

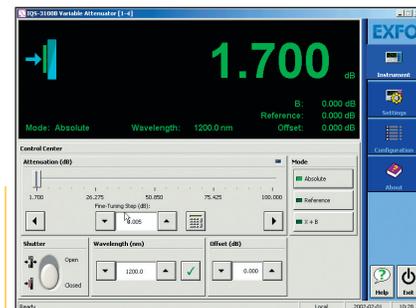
HIGH-ISOLATION SHUTTER

Protect personnel and sensitive components from unnecessary exposure with a > 100 dB attenuation.

FINE-TUNED ATTENUATION SETTINGS

Scroll up or down the attenuation setting range.

- Windows-based environment
- Easy control with software buttons, front panel keys or keyboard
- Multiple configuration storage
- True multitasking
- Online help
- Ideal for standard or custom multimodule applications



The IQS-3100's graphical user interface.

Specifications^a

SINGLE MODE CONFIGURATIONS

Description	SMF without monitor port		SMF with monitor port	
	IQS-3100-B	IQS-3100-BW	IQS-3100-BM	IQS-3100-BWM
Fiber type (μm)	9/125	9/125	9/125	9/125
Wavelength range (nm)	1200 to 1650	1200 to 1650	1200 to 1650	1200 to 1650
Max. attenuation (dB)	≥ 70	≥ 65	≥ 70	≥ 65
Insertion loss ^{b,c} (dB)				
Typical	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.4
Max.	1.8	1.8	2.2	2.2
Resolution (dB)	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005
Linearity ^d (dB)	± 0.1	± 0.1	± 0.1	± 0.1
Spectral uniformity ^e (dB)	–	± 0.1	–	± 0.1
Repeatability (dB)	± 0.03	± 0.03	± 0.03	± 0.03
Max. PDL ^f (dB)	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Typ. return loss ^{b,g} (dB)	> 55	> 55	> 55	> 55
Max. input power ^h (dBm)	20	20	20	20
Shutter isolation (dB)	> 100	> 100	> 100	> 100
Typ. monitor output (dB)	–	–	14.5	14.5

MULTIMODE CONFIGURATIONS

Description	MMF without monitor port	MMF with monitor port
	IQS-3100-C, D, E	IQS-3100-CM, DM
Fiber type (μm)	50/125, 62.5/125, 100/140	50/125, 62.5/125
Wavelength range (nm)	700 to 1350	700 to 1350
Max. attenuation (dB)	≥ 65	≥ 65
Insertion loss ^{b,c} (dB)		
Typical	1.3	2.3
Max.	2.0	3.2
Resolution (dB)	0.01	0.01
Linearity ^d (dB)	± 0.1	± 0.1
Repeatability (dB)	± 0.03	± 0.03
Typ. return loss ^{b,g} (dB)	> 25	> 25
Max. input power ^h (dBm)	20	20
Shutter isolation (dB)	> 100	> 100
Typ. monitor output (dB)	–	14.5

NOTES

- a. At 23 °C ± 5 °C.
- b. Measured at 1310 nm and 1550 nm for singlemode units, measured at 850 nm and 1300 nm for multimode units.
- c. Measured with FC/UPC connectors for singlemode units and FC/PC for multimode units.
- d. Measured at 1310 nm and 1550 nm (up to 60 dB) for singlemode units and 850 nm and 1300 nm (up to 50 dB) for multimode units, non-polarized light.

- e. Measured between 1520 nm and 1570 nm at attenuation 20 dB, typical for BWM.
- f. Measured at 1550 nm, attenuation of < 30 dB.
- g. The return loss is limited by the return loss of the connectors. The connectors used are FC/APC for singlemode units and FC/PC for multimode units.
- h. Typical value. Prolonged exposure may damage the unit.

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Size (H x W x D)	125 mm X 36 mm X 282 mm (4 15/16 in X 1 7/16 in X 11 1/8 in)	
Weight	0.75 kg (1.65 lb)	
Temperature		
Operating	0 °C to 40 °C	(32 °F to 122 °F)
Storage	-40 °C to 70 °C	(-40 °F to 158 °F)
Relative humidity	0 % to 80 % non-condensing	

Instrument Drivers

LabVIEW™ drivers, SCPI commands and COM/DCOM libraries.

Remote Control

With IQS-500: GPIB (IEEE-488.1, IEEE-488.2), Ethernet and RS-232.

Standard Accessories

User guide, Certificate of Compliance, Certificate of Calibration.

ORDERING INFORMATION

IQS-3100-X-XX

Model

IQS-3100-B = 9/125 µm	IQS-3100-BM = 9/125 µm with monitor output
IQS-3100-BW = 9/125 µm optimized for spectral flatness	IQS-3100-BWM = 9/125 µm optimized for spectral flatness with monitor output
IQS-3100-C = 50/125 µm	IQS-3100-CM = 50/125 µm with monitor output
IQS-3100-D = 62.5/125 µm	IQS-3100-DM = 62.5/125 µm with monitor output
IQS-3100-E = 100/140 µm	

Example: IQS-3100-BW-EI-EUI-89

Connector

EI-EUI-28 = UPC/DIN 47256	EA-EUI-28 = APC/DIN 47256 ^a
EI-EUI-76 = UPC/HMS-10/AG	EA-EUI-89 = APC/FC narrow key ^a
EI-EUI-89 = UPC/FC narrow key	EA-EUI-91 = APC/SC ^a
EI-EUI-90 = UPC/ST	EA-EUI-95 = APC/E-2000 ^a
EI-EUI-91 = UPC/SC	99 = MU connector ^a
EI-EUI-95 = UPC/E-2000	

Note

a. Only available for singlemode models.



Rugged Handheld Solutions

OPTICAL	COPPER ACCESS
OTDRs	— ADSL/ADSL2+, SHDSL, VDSL test sets
OLTSs	— VoIP and IPTV test sets
Power meters	— Ethernet test sets
Light sources	— POTS test sets
Talk sets	



Platform-Based Solutions

OPTICAL FIBER	DWDM TEST SYSTEMS	TRANSPORT AND DATAKOM
OTDRs	— OSAs	— Next Generation SONET/SDH and OTN testers
OLTSs	— PMD analyzers	— SONET/DSn (DS0 to OC-192) testers
ORL meters	— Chromatic dispersion analyzer	— SDH/PDH (64 kbit/s to STM-64) testers
Variable attenuators		— T1/T3, E1 testers
		— 10/100 M and Gigabit Ethernet testers
		— Fibre Channel testers
		— 10 Gigabit Ethernet testers

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