

# FTBx-730C PON FTTx/MDU OTDR

OPTIMIZED FOR FTTx/MDU FIBER DEPLOYMENTS  
AND TROUBLESHOOTING



iOLM  
READY

EXFO Connect  
Compatible



NEW OTDR  
GENERATION

The perfect tool for field technicians who need to seamlessly characterize splitters in PON FTTx and MDU applications.

SPEC SHEET

## KEY FEATURES

Test through high-port-count splitters (up to 1x128)

Singlemode port for in-service troubleshooting with in-line 1490/1550 nm power meter

Dynamic range of up to 39 dB

EXFO Connect-compatible: automated asset management; data goes through the cloud and into a dynamic database

iOLM-ready: one-touch multiple acquisitions, with clear go/no-go results presented in a straightforward visual format

## APPLICATIONS

FTTx/MDU test challenges within PON networks

Access network testing (point-to-point [P2P])

Metro links testing (P2P)

Passive Optical LAN (POL)

Manufacturing automation

## COMPLEMENTARY PRODUCTS AND OPTIONS



Platform  
FTB-2/FTB-2 Pro



Platform  
FTB-4 Pro



Fiber Inspection Probe  
FIP-400B (WiFi or USB)



Data Post-Processing Software  
FastReporter 2

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## LOADED WITH FEATURES TO BOOST YOUR EFFICIENCY

**Real-Time Averaging**

Activates the OTDR laser in continuous shooting mode, the trace refreshes in real time and allows to monitor the fiber for a sudden change. Perfect for a quick overview of the fiber under test.

**Automode**

Used as a discovery mode, this feature automatically adjusts the distance range and the pulse width in function of the link under test. It is recommended to adjust the parameters to perform additional measurements to locate other events.

**Zoom Tools**

Zoom and center to facilitate the analysis of your fibers. Draw a window around the area of interest and center in the screen quicker.

**Set Parameters On The Fly**

Dynamically change OTDR settings for the ongoing acquisition without stopping or returning to submenus.

**Macro Bend Finder**

This built-in feature enables the unit to automatically locate and identify macrobends, no need to spend further time analyzing the traces.

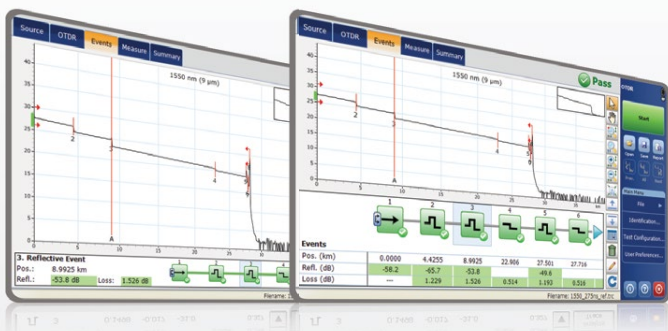
**Bidirectional Analysis (Via FastReporter 2 Data Post-Processing Software)**

Recommended to ensure true splice characterization, bidirectional analysis combines results from both directions to provide an average loss for each event. For a more complete event characterization, use intelligent Optical Link Mapper (iOLM) and benefit from maximum resolution on both directions (multiple pulse widths at multiple wavelengths) as well as a consolidated view.

## LOOKING FOR ICON-BASED MAPPING?

**Linear View (Included on All EXFO OTDRs)**

Available on our OTDRs since 2006, the linear view simplifies the reading of an OTDR trace by displaying icons in a linear way for each wavelength. This view converts the graph data points obtained from a traditional single pulse trace into reflective or non-reflective icons. With applied pass/fail thresholds, it becomes easier to pinpoint faults on your link.



This improved version of linear view provides the flexibility to display both the OTDR graph and its linear view without having to toggle to analyze your fiber link.

Although this linear view simplifies the OTDR reading of a single pulse width's trace, the user will still need to set the OTDR parameters. In addition, multiple traces must often be performed in order to fully characterize the fiber links. See the section below to learn how the iOLM can perform this automatically and with more accurate results.



## iOLM—REMOVING THE COMPLEXITY FROM OTDR TESTING

OTDR TESTING COMES  
WITH ITS LOAD OF  
CHALLENGES. . .



WRONG  
OTDR TRACES



COUNTLESS TRACES  
TO ANALYZE



REPEATING THE  
SAME JOB TWICE



COMPLEX INSTRUMENT  
TRAINING/SUPPORT

**iOLM** | intelligent Optical  
Link Mapper

**In response to these challenges, EXFO developed a better way to test fiber optics:**

The iOLM is an OTDR-based application designed to simplify OTDR testing by eliminating the need to configure parameters, and/or analyze and interpret multiple complex OTDR traces. Its advanced algorithms dynamically define the testing parameters, as well as the number of acquisitions that best fit the network under test. By correlating multipulse widths on multiple wavelengths, the iOLM locates and identifies faults with maximum resolution—all at the push of a single button.

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

Dynamic  
multipulse  
acquisition



Intelligent  
trace analysis



All results  
combined into a  
single link view



Comprehensive  
diagnosis



**Turning traditional OTDR testing into clear, automated, first-time-right results for technicians of any skill level.**

Patent protection applies to the iOLM, including its proprietary measurement software. EXFO's Universal Interface is protected by US patent 6,612,750.

## THREE WAYS TO BENEFIT FROM THE iOLM

COMBO



Run both iOLM and OTDR applications (Oi code)

UPGRADE



Add the iOLM software option to your  
iOLM-ready unit, even while in the field

iOLM ONLY



Order a unit with the iOLM  
application only

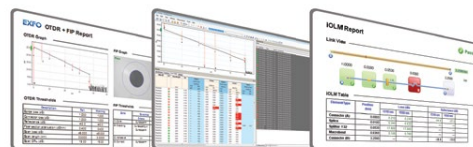
## iOLM FEATURES VALUE PACK

In addition to the standard iOLM feature set, you can select added-value features as part of the **Advanced** or **Pro** packages. Please refer to the iOLM specification sheet for the complete and most recent description of these value packs.



## ONE SOFTWARE DOES IT ALL

This powerful reporting software is the perfect complement to your OTDR, and can be used to create and customize reports to fully address your needs.



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## FIBER CONNECTOR INSPECTION AND CERTIFICATION—THE ESSENTIAL FIRST STEP BEFORE ANY OTDR TESTING



Connect<sup>or</sup>Max2

Taking the time to properly inspect a fiber-optic connector using an EXFO fiber inspection probe can prevent a host of issues from arising further down the line, thus saving you time, money and trouble. Moreover, using a fully automated solution with autofocus capabilities will turn this critical inspection phase into a fast and hassle-free one-step process.

### DID YOU KNOW THAT THE CONNECTOR OF YOUR OTDR/IOLM IS ALSO CRITICAL?

The presence of a dirty connector at an OTDR port or launch cable can negatively impact your test results, and even cause permanent damage during mating. Therefore, it is critical to regularly inspect these connectors to ensure that they are free of any contamination. Making inspection the first step of your OTDR best practices will maximize the performances of your OTDR and your efficiency.

## FIVE MODELS TO FIT YOUR BUDGET

FEATURES	USB WIRED			WIRELESS	
	Basic FIP-410B	Semi-automated FIP-420B	Fully automated FIP-430B	Semi-automated FIP-425B	Fully automated FIP-435B
Three magnification levels	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Image capture	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Five-megapixel CMOS capturing device	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Automatic fiber image-centering function	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Automatic focus adjustment	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓
Onboard pass/fail analysis	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pass/fail LED indicator	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
WiFi connectivity	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓

For additional information, please refer to the FIP-400B USB or FIP-400B wireless specification sheets.

## AVAILABLE IN THE FTB-2, FTB-2 PRO AND FTB-4 PRO PLATFORMS

The FTB-2, FTB-2 Pro and FTB-4 Pro are the most compact solution on the market for **multirate, multitechnology, multiservice testing**, delivering all the power of a high-end platform in a conveniently sized, go-anywhere field-testing tool.



**INTUITIVE  
INTERFACE**

Widescreen display and single touch gesture support



**UNMATCHED  
CONNECTIVITY**

WiFi, Bluetooth, Gigabit Ethernet and multiple USB ports



**INCREASED  
PRODUCTIVITY**

Store, push and share test data automatically

## DO MORE WITH THE PRO PLATFORM

The Windows 10 operating system allows for a wide choice of third-party applications and supports an extensive range of USB devices.

- › Start faster and multitask
- › Use any office suite
- › Connect to printers, cameras, keyboards, mice, and more

### Bring Your Own Apps



Share your desktop (e.g., using TeamViewer)



Antivirus software



Communicate via e-mail services and over-the-top (OTT) apps



Record and automate actions



Share files via cloud-based storage



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## SOFTWARE TEST TOOLS

This series of platform-based software testing tools enhance the value of the FTB-2, FTB-2 Pro and FTB-4 Pro platforms, providing additional testing capabilities without the need for additional modules or units.

### EXpert TEST TOOLS

#### EXpert VoIP TEST TOOLS

EXpert VoIP generates a voice-over-IP call directly from the test platform to validate performance during service turn-up and troubleshooting.

- › Supports a wide range of signaling protocols, including SIP, SCCP, H.248/Megaco and H.323
- › Supports MOS and R-factor quality metrics
- › Simplifies testing with configurable pass/fail thresholds and RTP metrics

#### EXpert IP TEST TOOLS

EXpert IP integrates six commonly used datacom test tools into one platform-based application to ensure that field technicians are prepared for a wide range of testing needs.

- › Rapidly performs debugging sequences with VLAN scan and LAN discovery
- › Validates end-to-end ping and traceroute
- › Verifies FTP performance and HTTP availability

#### EXpert IPTV TEST TOOLS

This powerful IPTV quality assessment solution enables set-top-box emulation and passive monitoring of IPTV streams, allowing quick and easy pass/fail verification of IPTV installations.

- › Real-time video preview
- › Analyzes up to 10 video streams
- › Comprehensive QoS and QoE metrics including MOS score

### AUTOMATE ASSET MANAGEMENT. PUSH TEST DATA IN THE CLOUD. GET CONNECTED.

#### EXFO|Connect

EXFO Connect pushes and stores test equipment and test-data content automatically in the cloud, allowing you to streamline test operation from build-out to maintenance.

### REMOTE CONTROL AND MEASUREMENT AUTOMATION

SCPI commands available for OTDR measurements. With FTB-2, FTB-2 Pro and FTB-4 Pro: GPIB (IEEE 488.1, IEEE 488.2) or Ethernet.



All specifications valid at 23 °C ± 2 °C with an FC/APC connector, unless otherwise specified.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS	
Wavelengths (nm) <sup>a</sup>	1310 ± 20/1550 ± 20/1625 ± 10/1650 ± 5
SM live port built-in filter	1625 nm: highpass >1595 nm isolation >50 dB from 1270 nm to 1585 nm 1650 nm: bandpass 1650 nm ± 7 nm isolation >50 dB out of 1650 nm ± 10 nm
Dynamic range at 20 µs (dB) <sup>b</sup>	39/38/39/39
Event dead zone (m) <sup>c</sup>	0.5
Attenuation dead zone (m) <sup>d</sup>	2.5
Distance range (km)	0.1 to 400
Pulse width (ns)	3 to 20 000
Linearity (dB/dB) <sup>a</sup>	±0.03
PON dead zone (m) <sup>e</sup>	30
Loss threshold (dB)	0.01
Loss resolution (dB)	0.001
Sampling resolution (m)	0.04 to 10
Sampling points	Up to 256 000
Distance uncertainty (m) <sup>f</sup>	±(0.75 + 0.0025 % x distance + sampling resolution)
Measurement time	User-defined (maximum: 60 minutes)
Typical real-time refresh (Hz)	4
Stable source output power (dBm) <sup>g</sup>	-2.5
Reflectance (dB) <sup>a</sup>	±2

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS (In-Line Power Meter) <sup>a, h</sup>	
Input power range (dBm)	1490 nm: -65 to 18 1550 nm: -50 to 28
PON power meter (nm)	Two channels: 1490/1550
Broadband power meter (nm)	One channel: 1270 to 1625
Power uncertainty (dB) <sup>a</sup>	±0.2
Calibrated wavelengths (nm)	1310, 1490, 1550 and 1625
PON power meter spectral band (nm)	1450 to 1530
Broadband power meter spectral band (nm)	1270 to 1625
Display resolution (dB)	0.1
PON power meter ORL (dB) <sup>a</sup>	-55
Broadband power meter ORL (dB) <sup>a</sup>	-50

For complete details on all available configurations, refer to the Ordering Information section.

#### Notes

- Typical.
- Typical dynamic range with a three-minute averaging at SNR = 1.
- Typical, for reflectance from -35 dB to -55 dB, using a 3-ns pulse.
- Typical at 1310 nm, for reflectance at -55 dB, using a 3-ns pulse. Attenuation dead zone at 1310 nm is 3.5 m typical with reflectance below -45 dB.
- Non-reflective FUT, non-reflective splitter, 13-dB loss, 50-ns pulse, typical value.
- Does not include uncertainty due to fiber index.
- Typical output power value at 1550 nm.
- Specifications valid when OTDR not functioning or in idle mode.





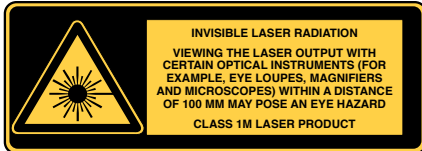
## GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Size (H x W x D)		158 mm x 24 mm x 174 mm (6 ¼ in x 1 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>16</sub> in x 6 7 <sub>8</sub> in)
Weight		0.4 kg (0.9 lb)
Temperature	Operating Storage	Refer to platform's specification sheet -40 °C to 70 °C (-40 °F to 158 °F)
Relative humidity		0% to 95% non-condensing



This picture is shown as a guideline only. Actual module may differ depending on the configuration selected.

## LASER SAFETY



## ORDERING INFORMATION

## FTBx-730C-XX-XX-XX-XX-XX

## Model

FTBx-730C = OTDR

## Optical configuration

SM1 = SM OTDR module, 1310/1550 nm  
 SM2 = SM OTDR module, 1310/1550 nm and 1625 nm live<sup>a</sup>  
 SM3 = SM OTDR module, 1310/1550/1625 nm  
 SM6 = SM OTDR module, 1625 nm live  
 SM7 = SM OTDR module, 1650 nm live  
 SM8 = SM OTDR module, 1310/1550 nm and 1650 nm live<sup>a</sup>

OPM option<sup>b</sup>

OPM = In-line power meter, one broadband channel (included)  
 OPM2 = In-line power meter, dual channel 1490/1550 nm

## Base software

OTDR = Enables OTDR application only  
 iOLM = Enables iOLM application only  
 Oi = Enables OTDR and iOLM applications

iOLM software option<sup>c</sup>

00 = iOLM Standard  
 iADV = iOLM Advanced  
 iPRO = iOLM Pro  
 iLOOP = iOLM loopback mode  
 iCERT = iOLM tier-2 certification

## Singlemode connector

EA-EUI-28 = APC/DIN 47256  
 EA-EUI-89 = APC/FC narrow key  
 EA-EUI-91 = APC/SC  
 EA-EUI-95 = APC/E-2000  
 EA-EUI-98 = APC/LC  
 EI connectors = See section below about APC connectors

Example: FTBx-730C-SM2-OPM-OI-EA-EUI-89

## Notes

- a. The two ports are configured with the same adapter type.  
 b. Available for FTBx-730C-SM2, SM6, SM7, SM8.  
 c. Please refer to the iOLM specification sheet for the complete and most recent description of these value packs.

## EI CONNECTORS



To maximize the performance of your OTDR, EXFO recommends using APC connectors on singlemode port. These connectors generate lower reflectance, which is a critical parameter that affects performance, particularly in dead zones. APC connectors provide better performance than UPC connectors, thereby improving testing efficiency.

For best results, APC connectors are mandatory with the iOLM application.

Note: UPC connectors are also available. Simply replace EA-XX by EI-XX in the ordering part number. Additional connector available: EI-EUI-90 (UPC/ST).

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