

AQ6370

OPTICAL SPECTRUM ANALYZER



» World Class Optical Performance & Flexibility*

- High wavelength resolution: 0.02 nm
- Wide close-in dynamic range
- Multimode fiber test capability (up to GI 62.5/125 μ m)
- Pulsed light measurement capability

* In the diffraction-grating-based optical spectrum analyzer industry as of January 2006

» Improves Measurement Throughput

- Fast measurement
- Fast data transfer and storage

» Expedites Development of Automated Test Systems

- Supports GP-IB, RS-232C, and Ethernet interfaces
- Compatible with SCPI and supports AQ6317 series remote commands
- Built-in simple macro programming function

» Enhances User Friendliness

- Supports mouse and keyboard operation (USB & PS/2)
- Trace zoom capability

» Facilitates Frequent Data Handling

- Large internal user memory (5000+ traces)
- Supports USB 1.1 compatible large external storage devices

» Includes Wavelength Calibration Source

Redefining Optical Spectrum Measur

Improves Measurement Throughput

FAST MEASUREMENT

New High Sensitivity Mode

Through newly developed noise reduction techniques, the AQ6370 can complete a measurement faster even with a high sensitivity setting. This is imperative when measuring weak signals. A new sensitivity mode makes it up to five times faster*.

5x

Seamless Sweep

With an improved gain control system in the electrical amplifier circuit, sweep speed has been increased for the signals which require multiple amplifier gain settings to complete an entire trace. The new system achieves up to ten times faster sweep*.

10x

Quick Key Response

Applying a faster microprocessor and new algorithms, key response time and initial hardware setup time before a sweep is drastically reduced. The new system achieves up to one hundred times faster response*.

100x

FAST DATA TRANSFER AND STORAGE

100x

ETHERNET provides up to one hundred times faster data transfer speed than the GP-IB data transfer*.

10x

GP-IB provides up to ten times faster data transfer speed than the conventional GP-IB*.

10x

USB provides up to ten times faster data recording/retrieving speed to a removable memory device than the floppy disk*.

SATISFACTION WITH SINGLE MEASUREMENT

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SWEEP

With the increased number of data sampling points (max 50,001), the AQ6370 can measure a wider wavelength range (span) with higher resolution. Single sweep can complete the test that took three sweeps in the past*.

*In comparison with AQ6317 series optical spectrum analyzer.

Expedites Development of Automated Test Systems

The AQ6370 is equipped with GP-IB, RS-232C, and Ethernet (10/100BASE) interfaces to be connected with an external PC for remote access and building an automated test system. It is compatible with a standardized programming language and supports AQ6317 commands for easy programming. Macro Program is a useful built-in function for making a simple auto test program.



Image of OSA upgrading on the existing test system

COMPATIBLE WITH SCPI

The SCPI is an ASCII text based standard code and format that conforms to IEEE-488.2. The standard remote commands of the AQ6370 are compatible with SCPI. It can be used with most computer test languages and test application software.

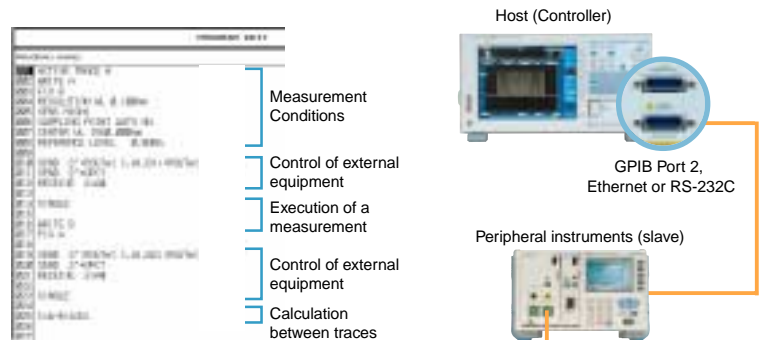
AQ6317 EMULATION MODE

The AQ6317 series is Yokogawa's best-selling optical spectrum analyzer. Since there are so many existing users all over the world, the AQ6370 supports private remote programming codes and formats of the AQ6317 series to make it easier for users to upgrade their current test environment.

Note, some commands may not be compatible due to changes in specifications and functions.

MACRO PROGRAMMING

Macro programming enables user to easily create test procedures by recording the user's actual key strokes and parameter selections. One program can contain up to two hundred program lines, and programs can be called as subroutines to make the main program simple. Moreover, macro programs can control external equipment through Ethernet, RS-232C and GP-IB port (GP-IB2). Therefore, an external PC is not required to build a simple auto test system.



Example of a simple auto test system with Macro program

LabVIEW® DRIVER SUPPORT

LabVIEW® is a popular test application software. Yokogawa can provide users with LabVIEW drivers for the AQ6370.

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OPTICAL SPECTRUM ANALYZER AQ6370



Enhances User Friendliness

INHERITS PROVEN OPERABILITY

The AQ6370 inherits front panel operation and function key assignments from our conventional models that are proven intuitive and easy to use by our multitude of users.



Front panel keys



Parameter entry window appears on the screen with the entry keys for mouse operation when a parameter is selected.

MOUSE & KEYBOARD OPERATION

You can easily operate the AQ6370 with only a mouse instead of the front panel keys. Measuring conditions displayed on the trace screen can be changed directly by the mouse pointer. The keyboard is useful for entering labels and file names.

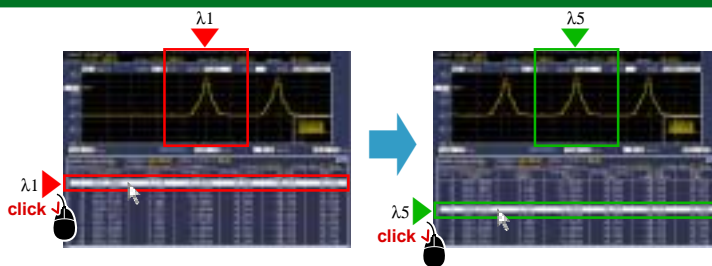
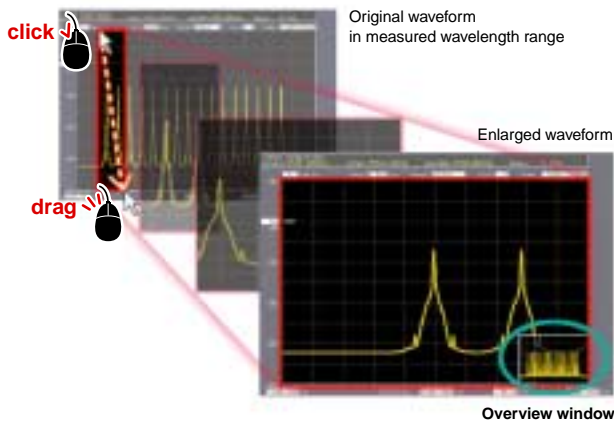


Direct parameter entry
Arrow pointer transforms into finger pointer when you move it to parameters.

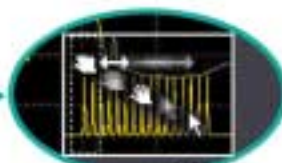
← The functions of panel keys appear by clicking right mouse button.

TRACE ZOOM CAPABILITY

Trace zoom makes it possible to change display conditions, such as center wavelength and span, by clicking and dragging the mouse to select the designated area to enlarge. No need to make another sweep to refresh the display conditions anymore. The analysis function can be performed in the enlarged area.



In the Analysis Screen, traces can also be zoomed. When a line item on the analysis result table is selected, the display area is automatically shifted and the corresponding signal is centered in the display area. This makes it easier to verify the accuracy of the analyzed data.



Operation in Overview window

Overview Window

Once the trace is zoomed in, the overview window appears and shows the entire trace. By dragging the zoomed area border in this window with the mouse, the display area in the main trace window can be modified.

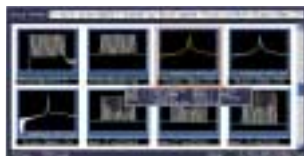
Facilitates Frequent Data Handling

LARGE INTERNAL MEMORY

5000+ TRACES

The AQ6370 has a 128 MB user area in the internal memory that can save test setups, waveforms, analysis results, and macro program files. It is large enough to save more than five thousand traces.

Thumbnail file preview makes it easy to find a particular file out of thousands of files. (The Thumbnail file preview function also works with an external memory.)



Thumbnail file preview

SUPPORTS USB 1.1 MEMORY

USB



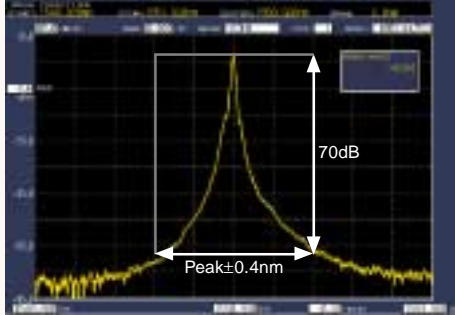
The AQ6370 has two USB 1.1 compatible interfaces. They support large size removable memory devices such as Flash ROM and hard disk drives (HDD). Removable static memory of more than 1 GB and USB compatible external HDDs of more than 40 GB in capacity are commercially available.

(as of January 2006)

World Class Optical Performance and Flexibility*

EXCELLENT SIGNAL SEPARATION

The AQ6370 uses a double-pass monochromator structure to achieve high wavelength resolution (0.02 nm) and wide close-in dynamic range (70 dB). Thus, closely allocated signals and noise can be separately measured. OSNR measurement of 50 GHz spacing DWDM transmission systems and EDFA evaluation with multiple wavelength sources can successfully be performed.



MULTIMODE FIBER TEST CAPABILITY

The AQ6370 uses a free space input structure that can handle up to GI 62.5/125 multimode fiber. Multimode fiber is commonly used in high speed Ethernet network, such as GE-PON. The free space input is also beneficial for measurement repeatability as insertion loss variation at the input connector is smaller than the other input type which has an optical fiber inside the monochromator.



WIDE MEASUREMENT RANGE

Power: +20 dBm to -90 dBm

The AQ6370 can measure optical power as high as +20 dBm, which enables direct measurement of high power sources such as optical amplifiers and pump lasers for Raman amplifiers. Measurement sensitivity can be chosen from seven categories according to test applications and measurement speed requirements.

Wavelength: 600 nm to 1700 nm

The AQ6370 covers not only telecommunication wavelengths, but also the visible light wavelength region which is used for home electronics, medical, and industrial material applications.

Sample waveforms of high power (+20dBm) and Low power (-90dBm) signal measurements

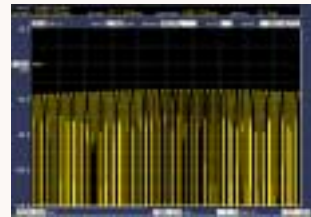
SENS
Level sensitivity settings; NORM Hold, NORM Auto, NORM, MID, and HIGH (1, 2, and 3), that correspond to sensitivity from -60dBm through -90dBm.

HIGH
High dynamic range mode settings; CHOP and SWITCH are modes to obtain a better dynamic range by reducing an influence of stray-light. They are applicable in MID and HIGH mode.

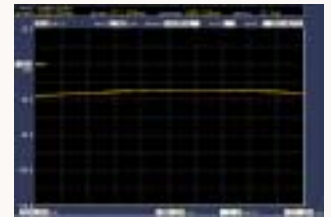
PULSED LIGHT MEASUREMENT CAPABILITY

The AQ6370 can catch the peak power of a pulsed signal using PEAK HOLD or using an externally provided trigger to synchronize with the measured signal. It can be applied to the transmission loop testing of telecommunication systems, and also to the low power measurement at the early stage of laser chip development since it works in the high sensitivity modes.

CW light measurement mode



Pulsed light measurement mode

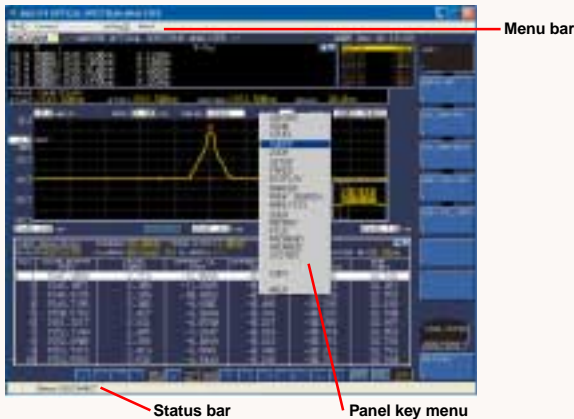


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Real-Time Remote Operation for Monitoring and Troubleshooting

Optional Application Software (Under development)

AQ6370Viewer is PC application software designed to work with Yokogawa's AQ6370 Optical Spectrum Analyzer. It has exactly the same user interface and functions as the AQ6370 so that you can easily display and analyze waveform data acquired by the AQ6370.



Screen example of AQ6370 Viewer

Remote control function

The remote control allows you to control AQ6370 Optical Spectrum Analyzer from anywhere on the Ethernet network. This gives you the sensation of setting measurement conditions and analysis parameters, and executing measurement on an actual unit. Because of fast data transfer speed of Ethernet, measurement data can be updated in real time. It is useful for diagnosis of trouble in production lines, periodical observation of long term tests in the lab, and other applications.

Note. the data update speed varies depending on network performance and conditions.

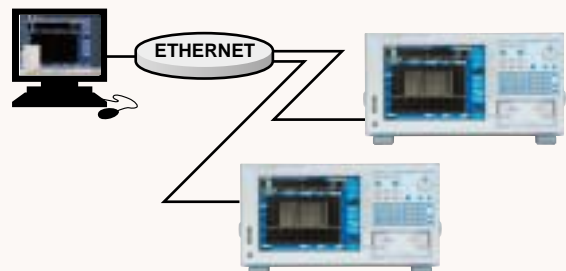


Image of remote access via Ethernet using the remote control function of AQ6370 Viewer

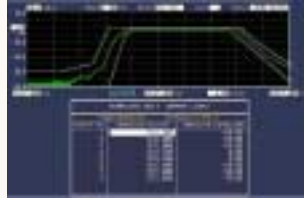
Advantageous Functions

PASS/FAIL AUTO TEST FUNCTION

The waveform can automatically be judged to PASS or FAIL against specified conditions. Using Template function upper and/or lower limits for the assessment can be set and measured waveform can automatically be compared. It is an effective way to reduce time and human error in assessment, especially for production line tests. The template data can be created and stored in the AQ6370. It can be edited using a spread sheet on an external computer as well.



Sample waveform of PASS/FAIL test



Screen example of Template editor

13 AUTO ANALYSIS FUNCTIONS

Thirteen types of built-in analysis functions for popular applications can be selected by using Analysis function key on front panel or by mouse operation.

The functions automatically perform designated analyses and provide results. The results can be saved in a storage device.

- WDM analysis (OSNR)
- WDM-NF analysis (EDFA)
- DFB-LD analysis
- Filter analysis, etc.



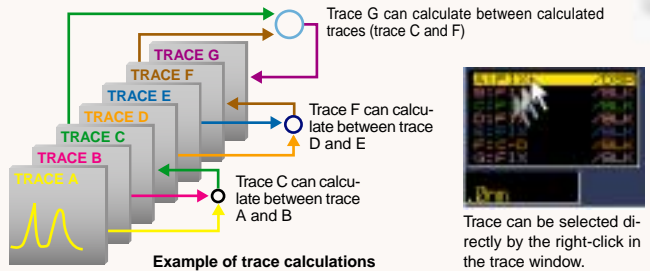
Analysis Parameter Window

All parameters for an individual analysis are displayed in a dialog box for easy setup.



7 TRACES & CALCULATION FUNCTIONS

The AQ6370 has seven individual traces for measurement data. Some traces can be used for calculations (two-trace subtraction and addition), MAX/MIN hold, averaging, and curve fitting.



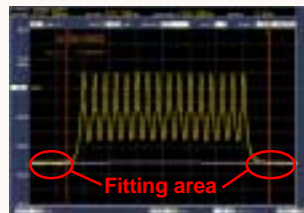
Trace can be selected directly by the right-click in the trace window.

Enhanced Curve Fit function

The Curve fit function is an approximation technique to exclude an influence of noise and/or signal overlapping on the waveform. Curve fit method can be chosen from Gaussian, Lorenz, 3rd Poly, 4th Poly, and 5th Poly. Curve fit can be applied to an individual trace. Fitting area can be set by line markers (L1 and L2).

Analysis mode

When WDM or WDM-NF analysis is executed, one of the curve fit methods is used for a baseline measurement. The curve fit method can be specified in the parameter window of each analysis.

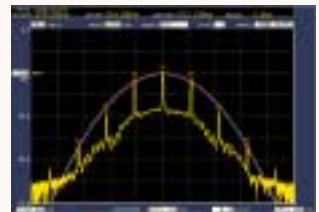


Example of curve fitting in selected areas

Noise level of amplified WDM signal can be estimated by using the curve fit in selected areas, even if noise between signals cannot be seen due to a limit of signal separation performance.

Marker fitting

The fitting curve can also be applied to the marker positions set by user. For example, this can be used to measure a modulated signal spectrum.



Connectivity

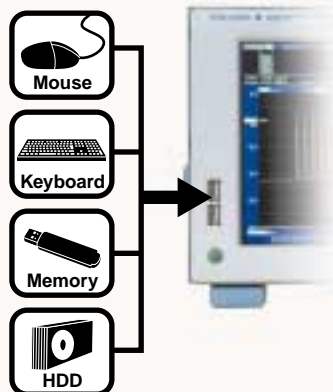
FRONT PANEL

OPTICAL CONNECTORS (USER EXCHANGEABLE)

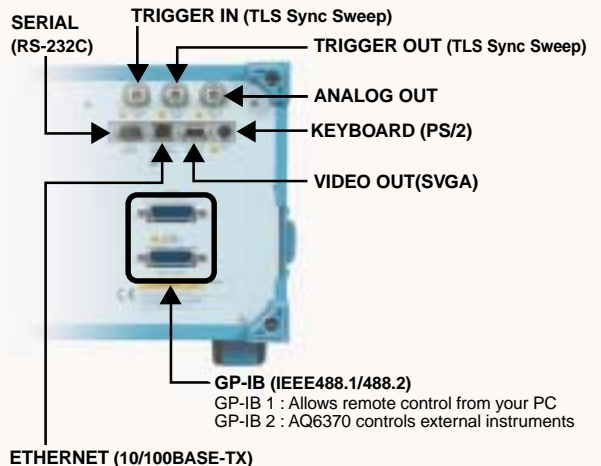
The AQ6370 adopts a universal type optical connector system for optical input and calibration output enabling direct coupling to major optical connector types. The connectors can be replaced by users.



USB 1.1 INTERFACE



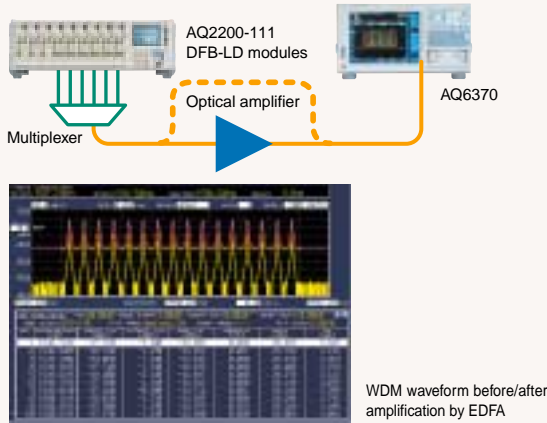
REAR PANEL



Applications

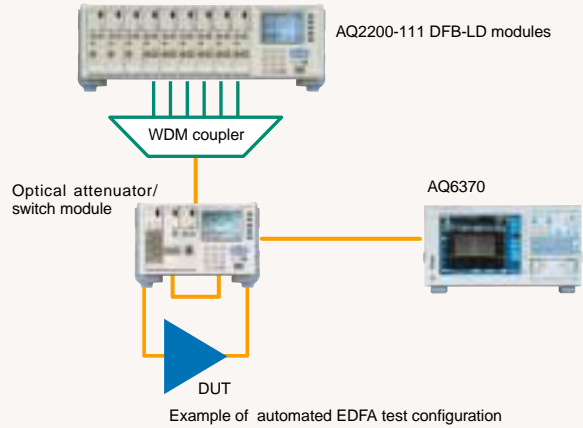
SIMPLE EDFA TEST

The ASE interpolation method is used to measure gain, NF, and key parameters for optical fiber amplifier evaluation. With WDM-NF analysis function, up to 1024 channels of multiplexed signals can simultaneously be tested. An ASE level for NF measurements is calculated by using a curve-fit function for each WDM channel. The curve-fit and source spontaneous emission (SSE) suppress function enhance a measurement accuracy.



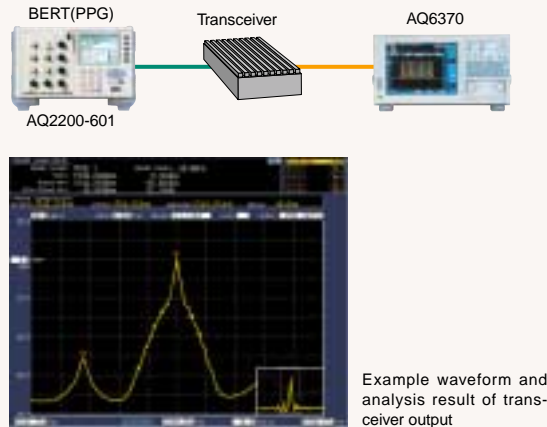
AUTOMATED EDFA TEST

In conjunction with DFB-LDs, optical attenuator and optical switches, an EDFA auto test system can easily be established. This system does not require manual reconfiguration of optical paths and adjustments of EDFA input power, and that improves measurement throughput and avoids a human error. AQ2200 series is a modular system suitable for building such a system.



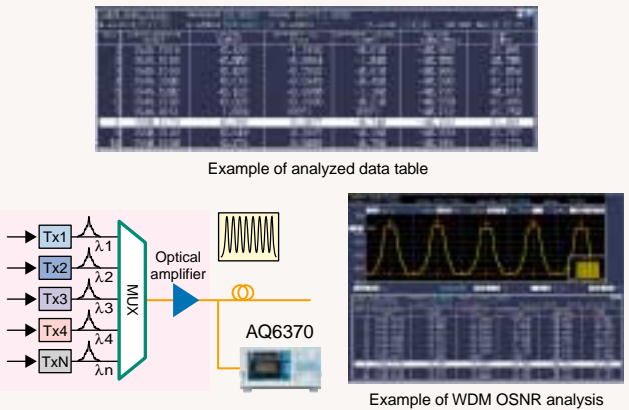
TRANSCEIVER / LD TEST

In conjunction with bit error rate test (BERT) equipment, the AQ6370 can measure the center wavelength and spectral width of transceivers and LD modules. Various built-in analysis functions, such as DFB-LD, FP-LD (VCSEL), and LED facilitate test process.



WDM OSNR TEST

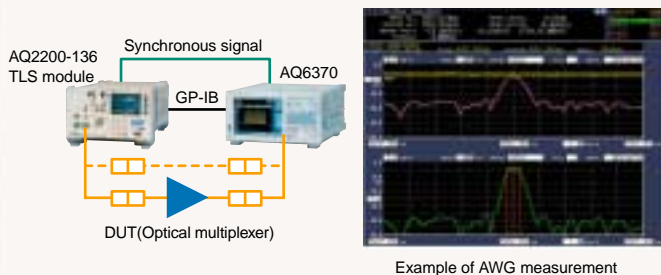
AQ6370's wide close-in dynamic range allows accurate OSNR measurement of DWDM transmission systems (up to 50 GHz spacing). The built-in WDM analysis function analyzes the measured waveform and shows peak wavelength, peak level and OSNR of WDM signals up to 1024 channels simultaneously. The curve fit function is used to accurately measure noise levels.



PASSIVE COMPONENT TEST

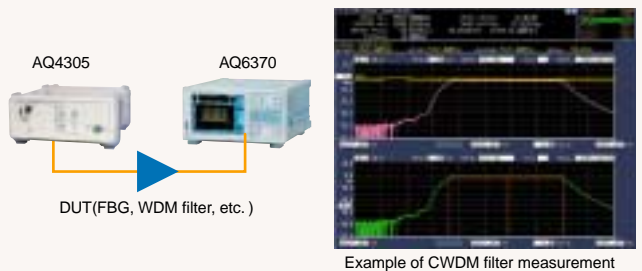
Wide dynamic range measurement using a synchronous wavelength sweep function* of a tunable laser source and optical spectrum analyzer is suitable for evaluating passive devices and components with a high crosstalk ratio. The tunable laser source emits a single wavelength, and the AQ6370's filter characteristics cuts source spontaneous emission and scattered light. Thus, this system can achieve wide dynamic range over 70 dB.

* TLS SYNC function. It supports AQ4320, AQ4321 and AQ2200-136 Tunable Laser Source.



In conjunction with a white light source, an ASE light source or other broadband light source, you can simply perform evaluation of passive devices such as WDM filters and FBG. The AQ6370's superb optical characteristics enable higher-resolution and wider dynamic range measurements.

The built-in optical filter analysis function simultaneously reports peak/bottom wavelength, level, crosstalk, and ripple width.



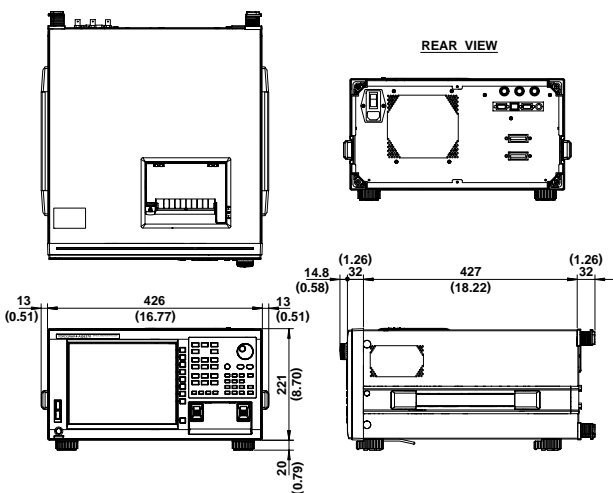
Specifications

Applicable fiber	SM (9.5/125 μm), GI (50/125 μm, 62.5/125 μm)
Measurement wavelength range ¹⁾	600 to 1700 nm
Span ¹⁾	0.5 nm to full range and zero span
Wavelength accuracy ^{1), 2), 3)}	±0.02 nm (1520 to 1580 nm) ±0.04 nm (1450 to 1520 nm, 1580 to 1620 nm) ±0.1 nm (Full range)
Wavelength linearity ^{1), 2), 3)}	±0.01 nm (1520 to 1580 nm) ±0.02 nm (1450 to 1520 nm, 1580 to 1620 nm)
Wavelength repeatability ^{1), 2)}	±0.005 nm (1 min.)
Measurement data point	101 to 50001
Wavelength resolution setting ^{1), 2)}	0.02, 0.05, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 1.0 and 2.0 nm
Resolution accuracy ^{1), 2), 3)}	±5 % (1450 to 1620 nm, resolution setting: 0.1 to 2.0 nm, resolution correction: ON, measurement data point setting: AUTO)
Level sensitivity setting	NORM_HOLD, NORM_AUTO, NORMAL, MID, HIGH1, HIGH2 and HIGH3
High dynamic range mode	Switch (Sensitivity: MID, HIGH1, HIGH2 and HIGH3) CHOP (Sensitivity: HIGH1, HIGH2 and HIGH3)
Level sensitivity ^{2), 4), 5), 7)}	-90 dBm (1300 to 1620 nm, resolution: 0.05 nm or wider, sensitivity: HIGH3) -80 dBm (1000 to 1300 nm, resolution: 0.05 nm or wider, sensitivity: HIGH3) -60 dBm (600 to 1000 nm, resolution: 0.05 nm or wider, sensitivity: HIGH3)
Level accuracy ^{2), 4), 5), 6)}	±0.4 dB (1310/1550 nm, input level: -20 dBm, sensitivity: MID, HIGH1, HIGH2 and HIGH3)
Level linearity ^{2), 4)}	±0.05 dB (Input level: -50 to +10 dBm, sensitivity: HIGH1, HIGH2 and HIGH3)
Level flatness ^{2), 4), 6)}	±0.1 dB (1520 to 1580 nm) ±0.2 dB (1450 to 1520 nm, 1580 to 1620 nm)
Maximum input power ^{2), 4)}	+20 dBm (Per channel, full span)
Safe max. input power ^{2), 4)}	+25 dBm (Total safe power)
Close-in dynamic range ^{1), 2), 9)}	45 dB (±0.2 nm from peak at 1523 nm, resolution: 0.05 nm) 62 dB (±0.4 nm from peak at 1523 nm, resolution: 0.05 nm) 40 dB (±0.2 nm from peak at 1523 nm, resolution: 0.1 nm) 57 dB (±0.4 nm from peak at 1523 nm, resolution: 0.1 nm)
Polarization dependency ^{2), 4), 6)}	±0.05 dB (1550/1600 nm) ±0.08 dB (1310 nm)
Sweep time ^{1), 7), 8)}	Per sensitivity mode; NORM_AUTO: 0.5sec NORMAL: 1 sec MID: 2 sec HIGH1: 5 sec HIGH2: 20 sec HIGH3: 75 sec

Function	Automatic measurement	Macro program function (64 programs, 200 steps)	
	Setting of measuring conditions	Center wavelength setting, Span setting, Measurement data point setting, Wavelength resolution setting, Sensitivity setting, High dynamic range mode setting, Averaging number setting (1 to 999 times), Automatic measuring conditions setting, Sweep between line markers, zero span sweep, Automatic measurement data point setting, Pulse light measurement, External trigger measurement, Sweep trigger, Sweep status output, Analog output, TLS synchronized sweep, Air/vacuum wavelength measurement, Pass/Fail judgment with template	
	Display	Level scale setting (0.1 to 10 dB/div. and linear), Vertical sub scale setting (0.1 to 10 dB/div. and linear), Reference level and position setting, Vertical division number setting (8, 10 or 12), Frequency horizontal scale display, Horizontal scale zoom in/out display, Measurement condition display, Noise mask, Data table, Label, Split display, % display, dB/nm (power spectral density) display, dB/km display, Template display,	
	Traces	7 independent traces, Write/Fix setting, Display/Blank setting, Max./Min. hold, calculation between traces, Roll (Sweep) averaging (2 to 100 times), Normalized, Curve fit/Peak curve fit/Marker curve fit, Trace copy function, Trace clear function	
	Marker/Search	Delta marker (Max. 1024), Vertical/Horizontal line marker, Peak search, Next peak search, Bottom search, Next bottom search, Auto search, Search between horizontal line markers, Search in the zooming area	
	Analysis	Spectral width (threshold, envelope, RMS, Peak RMS, notch), WDM (OSNR) analysis, EDFA-NF analysis, Filter peak/bottom analysis, WDM filter peak/bottom analysis, DFB-LD analysis, FP-LD analysis, LED analysis, SMSR analysis, Power analysis, PMD analysis, Pass/Fail judgment with template, Auto analysis, Analysis between horizontal line markers, Analysis in the zooming area	
	Other	Self optical alignment function with built-in light source, Self wavelength calibration function	
	Data storage	Internal memory Internal storage External File type	64 Traces, 64 programs, 3 template lines Max. 128MByte USB storage (memory/HDD) Capability, FAT32 format CSV(text)/Binary, BMP/TIFF
	Interface	Remote control Category Optical connector	GPIO, RS-232C and Ethernet (TCP/IP) AQ6317 series compliant commands (IEEE488.1) and IEEE488.2 full support GPIO x2 (standard/controller), RS-232C, Ethernet, USB1.1 x2, PS/2 (keyboard), SVGA output, Analog output port, Trigger input port, Trigger output port Free space optical input: Requires AQ9447 (*) connector adapter PC contact built-in light source output: Requires AQ9441 (*) Universal adapter
	Printer		Built-in high-speed thermal printer (Factory option)
Display ¹¹⁾		10.4-inch color LCD (Resolution: 800 x 600)	
Power requirement		100 to 240 VAC, 50/60Hz, approx. 150VA	
Environmental conditions		Operating temperature: +5 to +35 °C Storage temperature: -10 to +50 °C Humidity: 80 %RH or less (no condensation)	
Dimensions and mass ¹⁰⁾		Approx. 426 (W) x 221 (H) x 459 (D) mm, Approx. 27kg (without printer option)	

Dimensions

Unit : mm
(approx. inch)



Note:

- Horizontal scale: wavelength display mode
- At 23±5 °C, with 10/125 μm single mode fiber, after 2 hours of warm-up, after optical alignment with built-in reference light source
- After wavelength calibration with built-in reference light source
- Vertical scale: absolute power display mode, resolution setting: 0.05 nm or wider, resolution correction: OFF
- With 10/125 μm single mode fiber (B1.1 type defined on IEC60793-2, PC polished, mode field diameter: 9.5 μm, NA: 0.104 to 0.107)
- Temperature condition changes to 23±3 °C
- High dynamic range mode: OFF, pulse light measurement mode: OFF, TLS sync sweep: OFF, resolution correction: OFF
- Span: any 100 nm or less, measurement data point: 1001, average number: 1
- High dynamic range mode: CHOP or SWITCH, resolution correction: OFF
- Excluding feet and handles
- Liquid crystal display may include few defective pixels (within 0.002% with respect to the total number of pixels including RGB). There may be few pixels on the liquid crystal display that do not emit all the time or remains ON all the time. Note that these are not malfunctions.

Standard Accessories

Name	Qty
Power cable	1
User's manual (1set)	1

Factory Installed Options

BUILT-IN PRINTER



An optional built-in thermal printer is provided to instantly print out a screenshot of the AQ6370's display, analysis results, a marker list and a macro program list.

Accessory: printer roll paper (1 roll)

OPTICAL CONNECTOR ADAPTERS



For optical input port

AQ9447 Connector Adapter
/FC, /SC, /ST



For calibration output port

AQ9441 Universal Adapter
/RFC, /RSC, /RST

Ordering Information

Model and Suffix Codes

Model	Suffix Codes	Descriptions
735301		Optical Spectrum Analyzer AQ6370
Power cable	-D	Power cord (UL3P)
	-F	Power cord (CEE-C7)
	-G	Power cord (SAA-3P)
	-Q	Power cord (BS3P Rectangular)
	-H	Power cord (BS3P Round)
	-M	Power cord (UL3P with 3P/2P converter)
Factory Installed Options	/FC	AQ9447(FC) Connector adapter for optical input
	/SC	AQ9447(SC) Connector adapter for optical input
	/ST	AQ9447(ST) Connector adapter for optical input
	/RFC	AQ9441(FC) Universal adapter for calibration output
	/RSC	AQ9441(SC) Universal adapter for calibration output
	/RST	AQ9441(ST) Universal adapter for calibration output
	/B5	Built-in thermal printer

Accessories (Optional)

Name	Model	Suffix codes	Specifications
AQ9447 Connector adapter	810804602		For optical Input port
Connector type		-FCC	FC type
		-SCC	SC type
		-STC	ST type
AQ9441 Universal adapter	813917321		For calibration output port
Connector type		-FCC	FC type
		-SCC	SC type
		-STC	ST type
Printer roll paper	B9988AE		10 m roll, 10 rolls/1 unit

Related Products

Optical Spectrum Analyzer AQ6319



Superior Performance

White Light Source AQ4305



Broadband

Tunable Laser/DFB-LD Sources AQ2200 Series



Modular Platform

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Note



- Before operating the product, read the user's manual thoroughly for proper and safe operation.
- If this product is for use with a system requiring safeguards that directly involve personnel safety, please contact the Yokogawa sales offices.

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