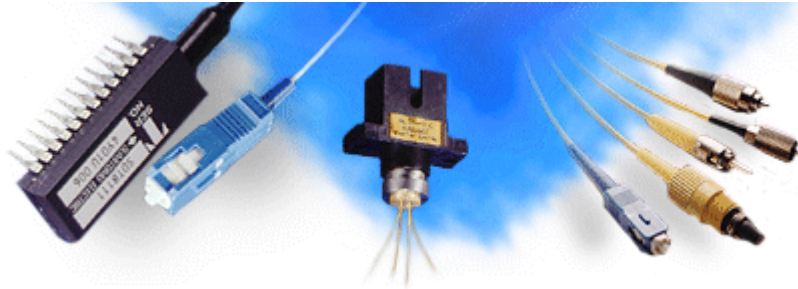


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# *Contamination's Influence on Receptacle type Optical Data Link*

**-The Dust on Endface Experiment for Receptacle Devices-**

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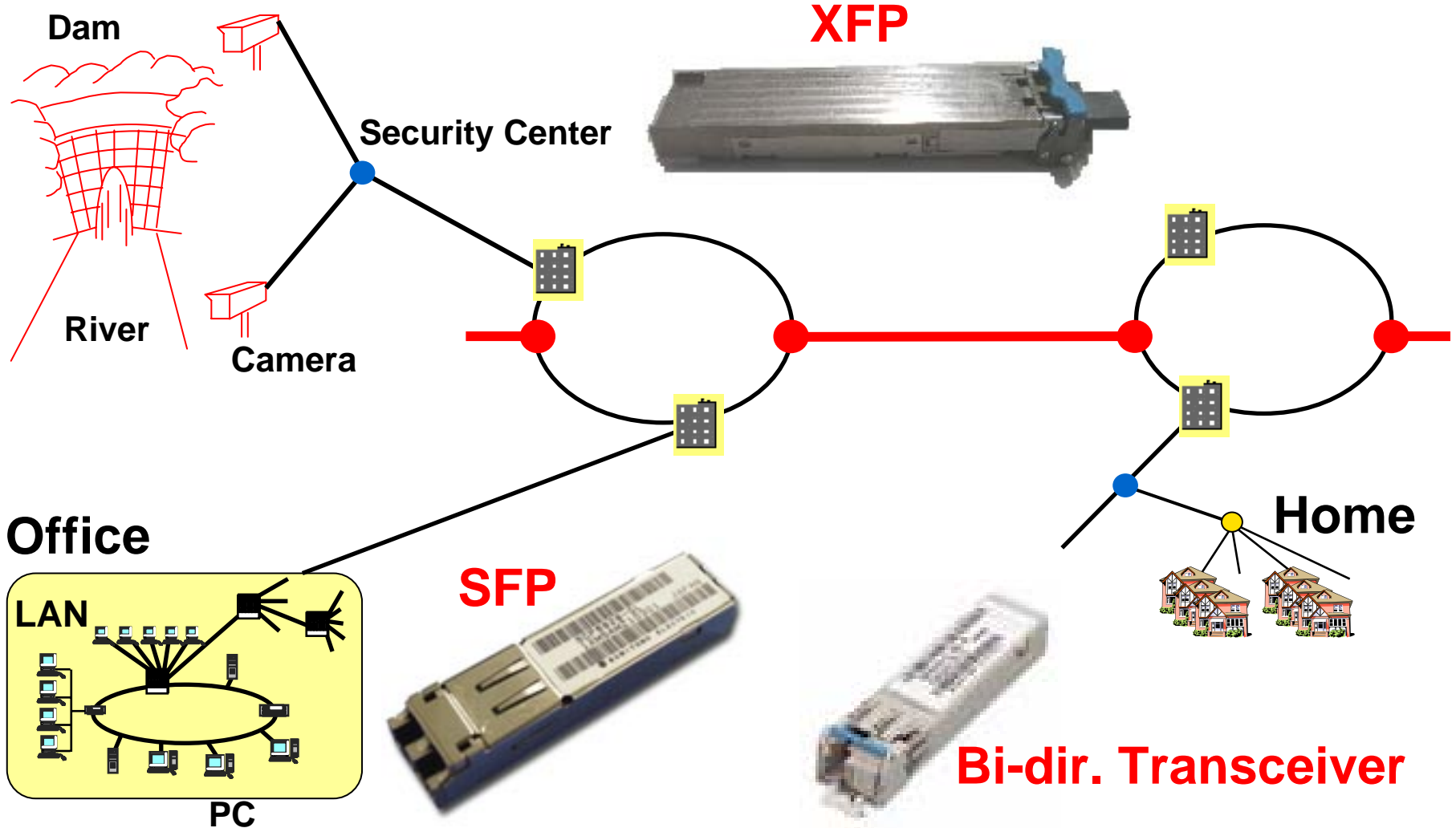
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# (a). Introduction -1 ( Network )

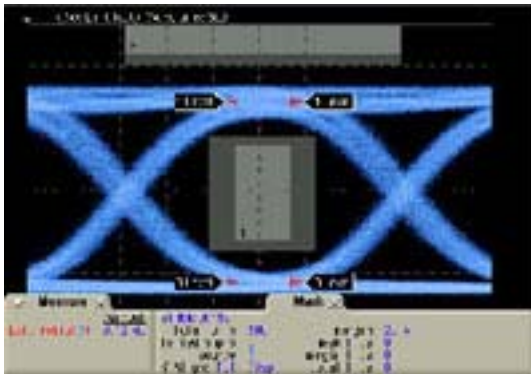




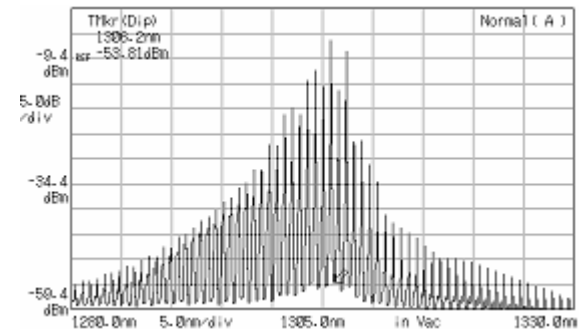
## (a). Introduction -2 ( Optical Data Link –Tx )

### Important Opt-Electrical Characteristics of Optical Data Link Transmitter side ( change Electrical signal to Optical signal )

1. Optical Power
2. Optical Signal Waveform (Pulse Mask, Jitter, Dispersion Penalty)
3. Optical Spectrum (Center Wavelength, Spectral Width, SSR)
4. Physical Contact ability (ORL)
5. Monitor Function (LD bias, Rear Facet)



Optical Signal Waveform



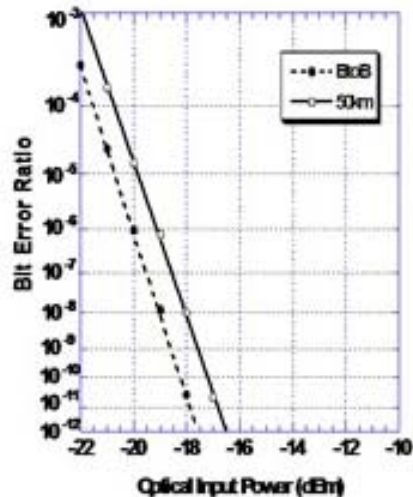
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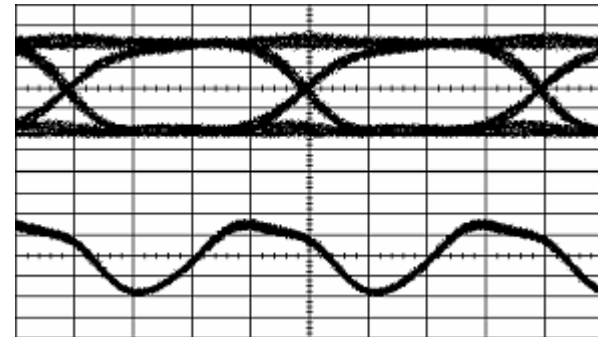
## (a). Introduction -3 ( Optical Data Link –Rx )

### Important Opt-Electrical Characteristics of Optical Data Link Receiver Side ( change Optical signal to Electrical signal )

1. Decoded Bit Error Rate (Minimum Sensitivity, Overload)
2. Optical Return Loss
3. Electrical Signal Waveform (Amplitude, Rise Time)
4. Monitor Function (LOS)



Bit Error Rate Curve



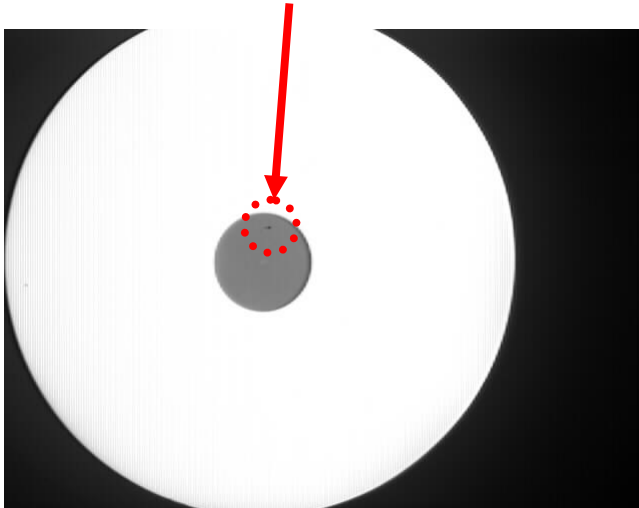
Electrical Signal Waveform



## (a). Introduction -4 ( Contamination on Connector Endface )

On August, 2000, Visual Inspection has started.

**Non Removable**



**Removable dusts**



Cleaning Receptacle Devices is **difficult**. -> Yield becomes worse.

-> Improve process not to soil the endface.

Improve cleaning technique.

Establish the suitable specification not to become expensive.



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## *(b). Critical parameter -1 ( Sensitive characteristics )*

### Characteristics Sensitive to Contamination

#### Transmitter side

1. Optical Power
2. Optical Signal Waveform  
(Pulse Mask Margin, Dispersion Penalty)
3. Optical Spectrum (Spectral Width, SSR)
4. Physical Contactability (ORL)

#### Receiver Side

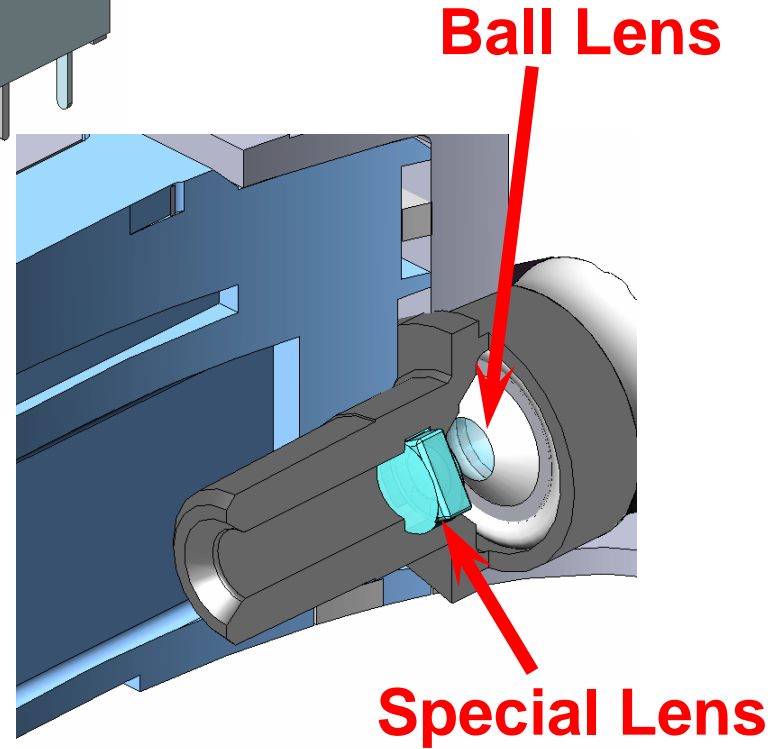
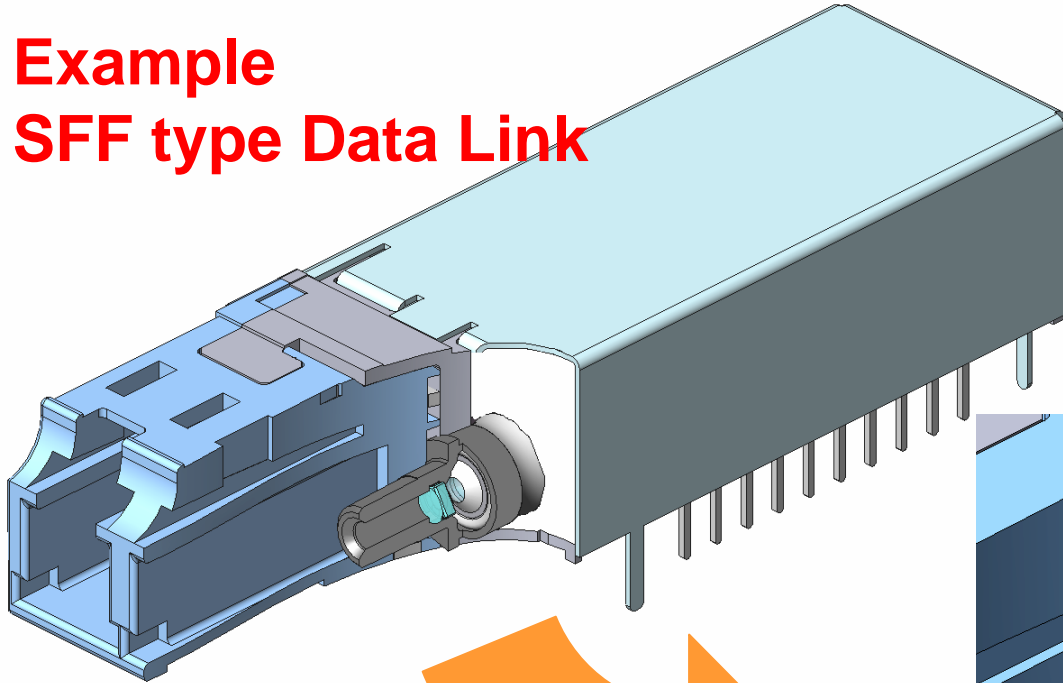
1. Optical Return Loss
2. Sensitivity (PD sensitivity, Minimum Sensitivity)

**\*These are depend on the design of device.**



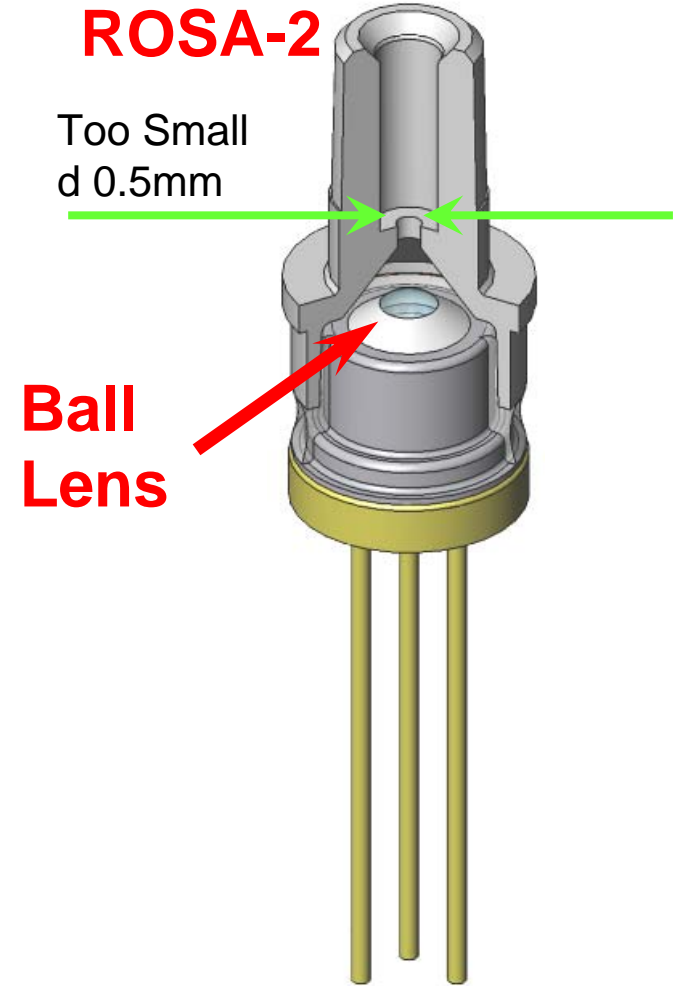
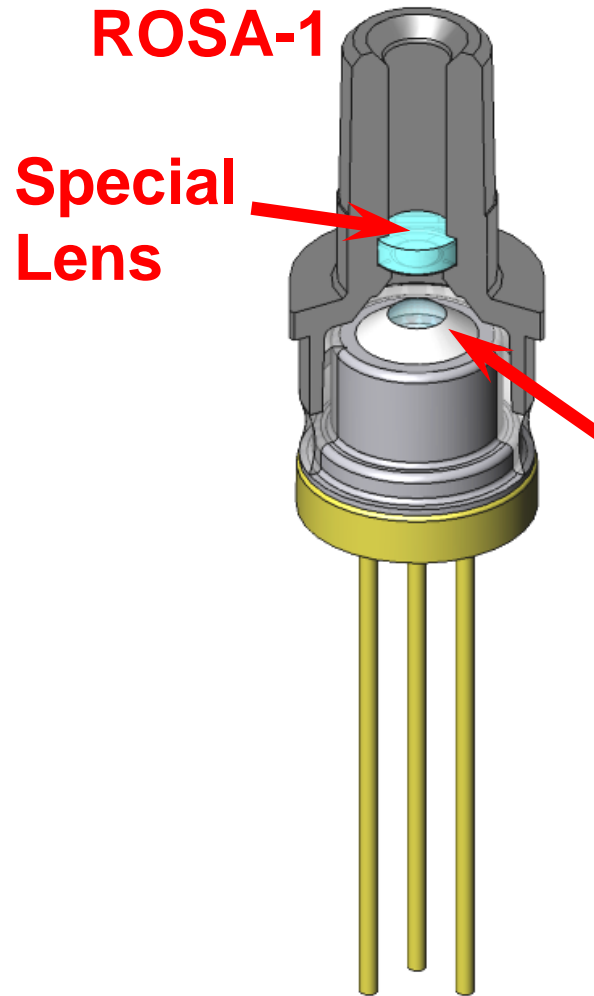
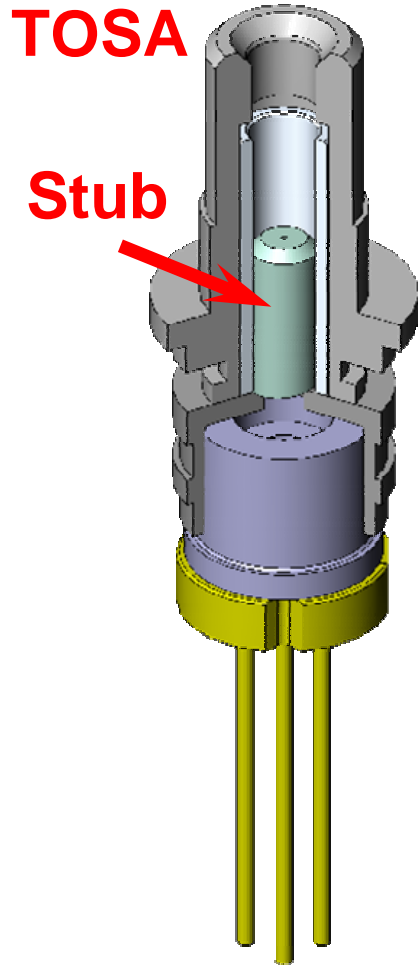
**(b). Critical parameter -2  
( Structure of Data Link )**

**Example  
SFF type Data Link**



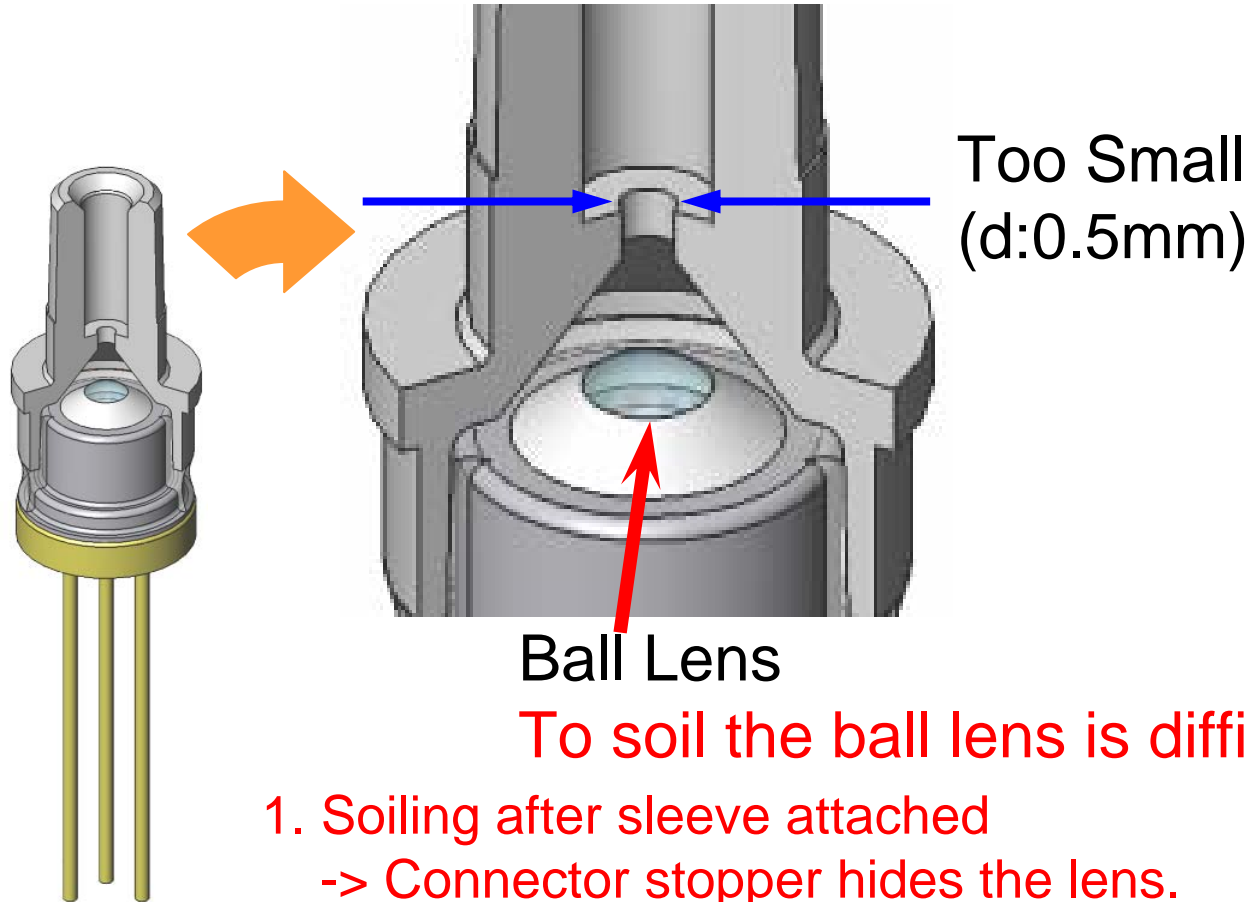


**(b). Critical parameter -3  
( Structure of OSA )**





## (b). Critical parameter -4 ( Structure of ROSA )



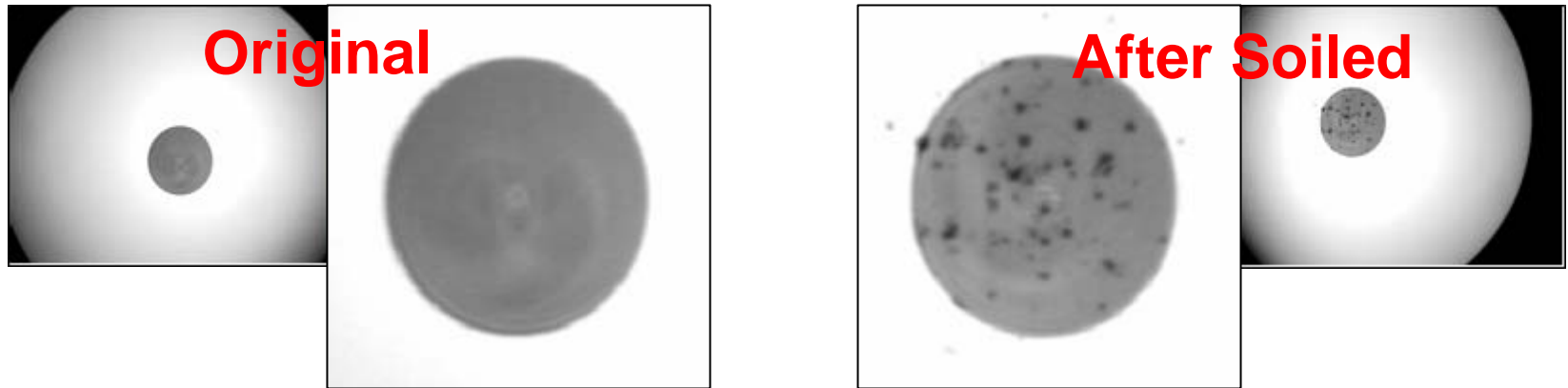
To soil the ball lens is difficult.

1. Soiling after sleeve attached  
-> Connector stopper hides the lens.
2. Soiling before sleeve attached  
-> Sleeve alignment process avoids the contamination.



**(b). Critical parameter -5**  
**( Preliminary Experiment -Transmitter- )**

Characteristics sample of Sumitomo's device  
Transmitter side

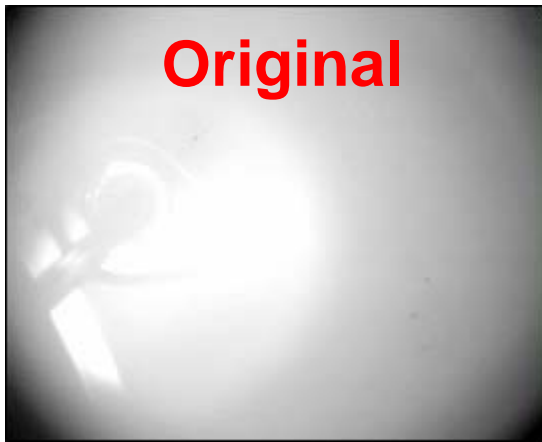


Term	Original	-	After Soiled	Fluctuation
Optical Power	-6.7 dBm	->	-6.7 dBm	0 dB
Pulse Mask Margin	45 %	->	43 %	-2 %
Spectral Width	2.3 nm	->	2.3 nm	0 nm
<b>ORL</b>	<b>58.7 dB</b>	<b>-&gt;</b>	<b>33.9 dB</b>	<b>-24.8 dB</b>



(b). Critical parameter -6  
( Preliminary Experiment -Receiver- )

Characteristics sample of Sumitomo's device  
Receiver side (\*Sumitomo uses **Special Lens** to reduce ORL)



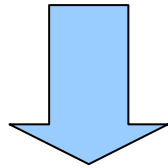
Term	Original	-	After Soiled	Fluctuation
PD sensitivity	1.04 A/W	->	1.03 A/W	-0.01 A/W
<b>ORL</b>	<b>35.4 dB</b>	->	<b>23.3 dB</b>	<b>-12.1 dB</b>



## *(b). Critical parameter -7 ( Preliminary Experiment )*

### Summary

1. The most sensitive characteristic is ORL.



Relation between the **position of contamination** and **ORL**  
will decide the specification of endface.



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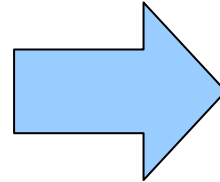
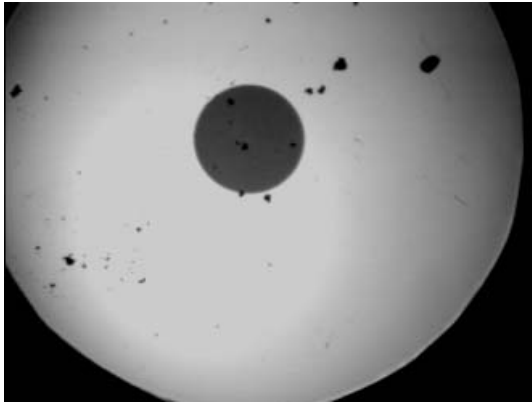


## (c). Contaminating Techniques -1 ( Difficulty in Receptacle Device )

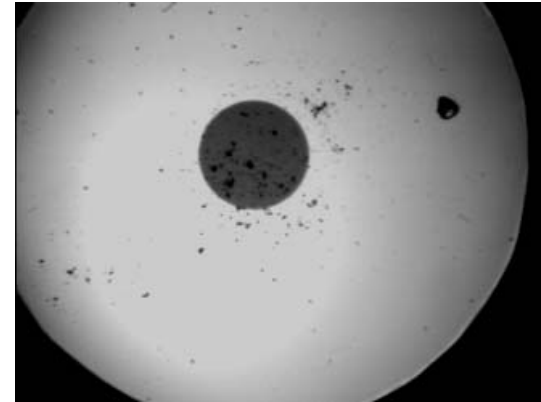
Mating connector to measure ORL makes dusts spread.

Which state is true when measuring ORL?

Before  
Mating

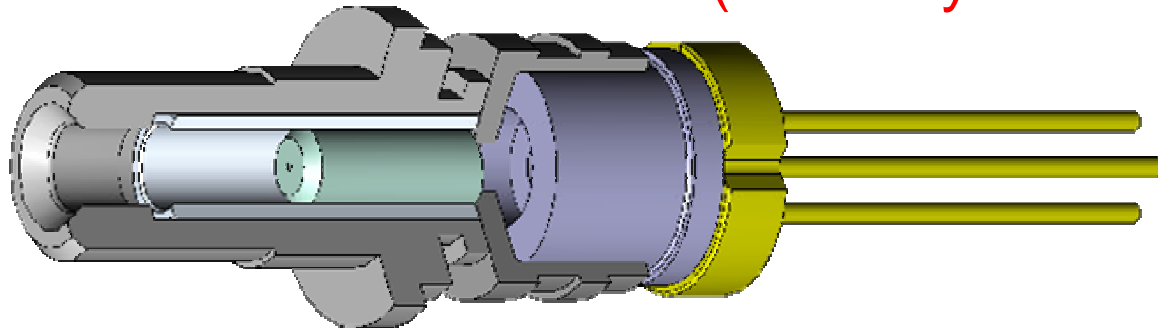


After  
Mating



Soiling position control is difficult.

Dusts adhered to the inside of sleeve. ( not only stub endface )





## (c). Contaminating Techniques -2 ( Contaminating Procedure -Outline- )

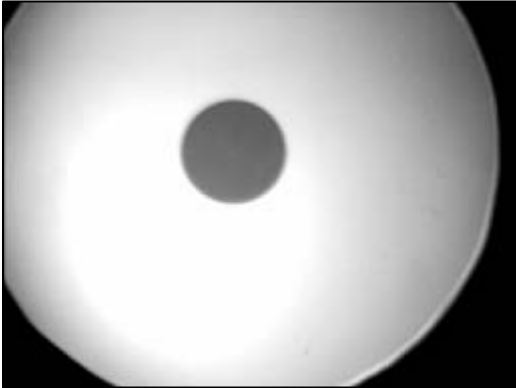
### Contaminating Procedure

1. **Inspect** the endface of DUT.
2. **Soil** the optical endface of DUT with fine dusts.
3. **Mate** the dummy connector with DUT to fix the dusts.
4. **Clean** the optical endface and sleeve surface of DUT to remove the movable dusts.
5. **Inspect** the endface of DUT.

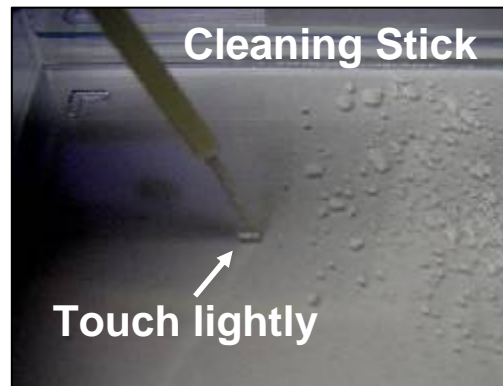
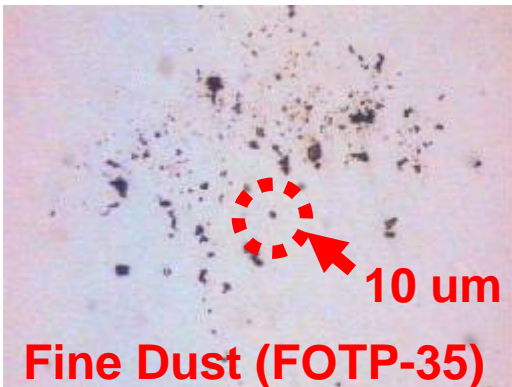


# (c). Contaminating Techniques -3 ( Contaminating Procedure details -1 )

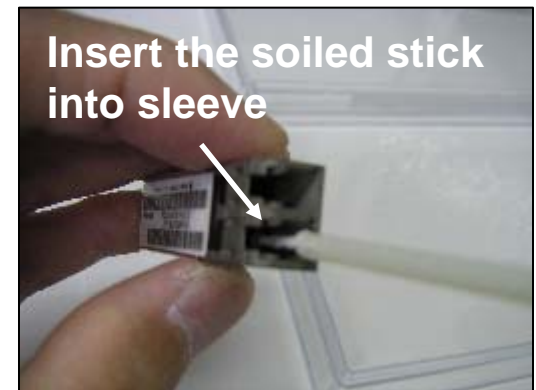
1. **Inspect** the endface of DUT.



2. **Soil** the optical endface of DUT with fine dusts.



1 Put dusts on the stick



2 Soil the optical endface

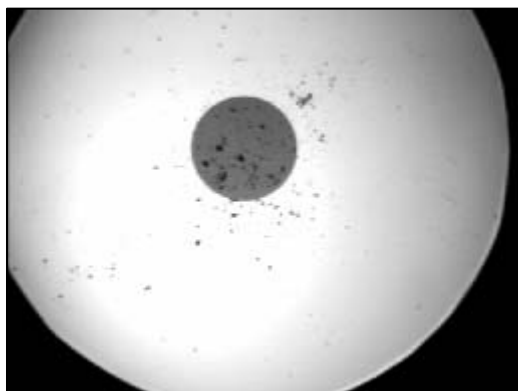


## (c). Contaminating Techniques -4 ( Contaminating Procedure details -2 )

3. **Mate** the dummy connector with DUT to fix the dusts.



4. **Clean** the optical endface of DUT to remove the movable dusts.



① Endface after soiling



② Clean by using solvent  
and stick

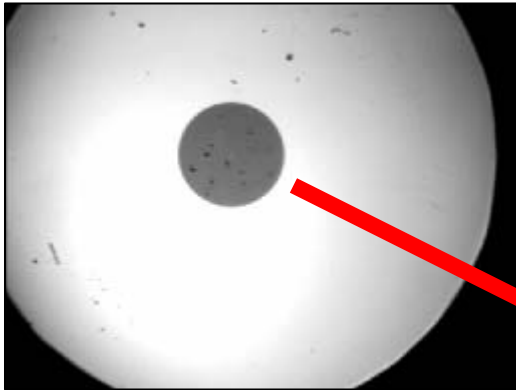


③ Endface after cleaning

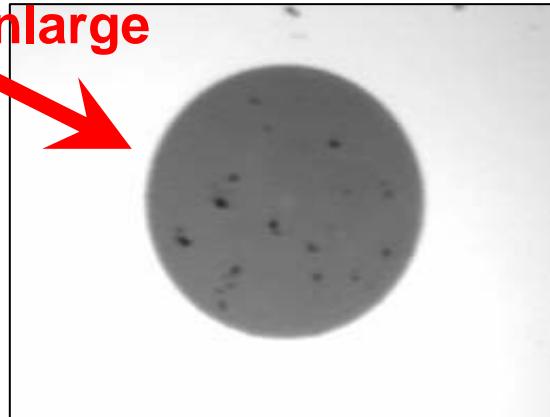


## (c). Contaminating Techniques -5 ( Contaminating Procedure details -3 )

5. **Inspect** the endface of DUT.



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**Dusts are fixed.**

**Ready to Measure the Opt-electrical Characteristics**

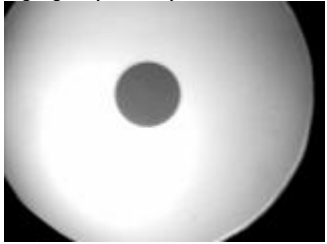


# (c). Contaminating Techniques -6 (Trial to fix the dusts)


**Dusts**




**0** Beginning (Stub)



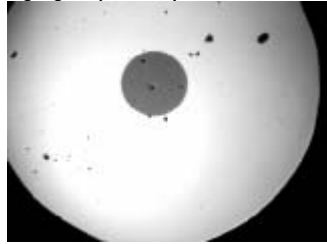
**1** 1<sup>st</sup> Soiled (Stub)




**2** N2 Air Blown (Stub)  
**Dusts are not fixed.**




**3** 2<sup>nd</sup> Soiled (Stub)



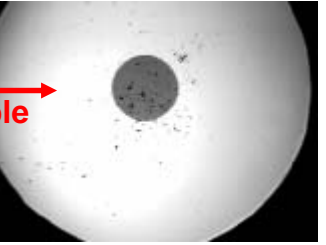
**4** After 1<sup>st</sup> Mating (Stub)  
**Dusts are spread. = not fixed**



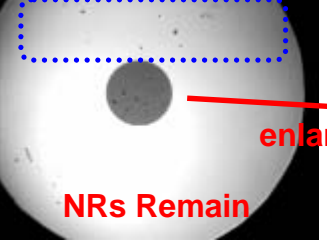
**5** N2 Air Blown (Stub)



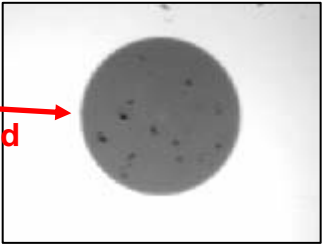
**6** After 2<sup>nd</sup> Mating using new fiber (Stub)  
**Stable**



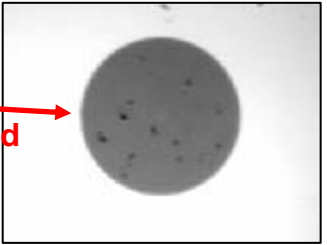
**7** After Cleaning using stick (Stub)  
**NRs Remain**




**Dusts on the ferrule are removable.**




**enlarged**




**4a** After 1<sup>st</sup> Mating (Fiber-1)




**4b** Cleaned (Fiber-1)  
**NRs Remain**




**6a** After 2<sup>nd</sup> Contact (Fiber-2)



**6b** Cleaned (Fiber-2)  
**NRs Remain**



**Dusts are fixed.**



**Dummy connector to fix the dusts**



## (c). Contaminating Techniques -7 ( Summary )

### Summary

1. Mating dummy connector makes contamination stable.
2. Cleaning the inside of sleeve reduces the uncertainty.



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## (d). Measurement Techniques -1 ( Contents )

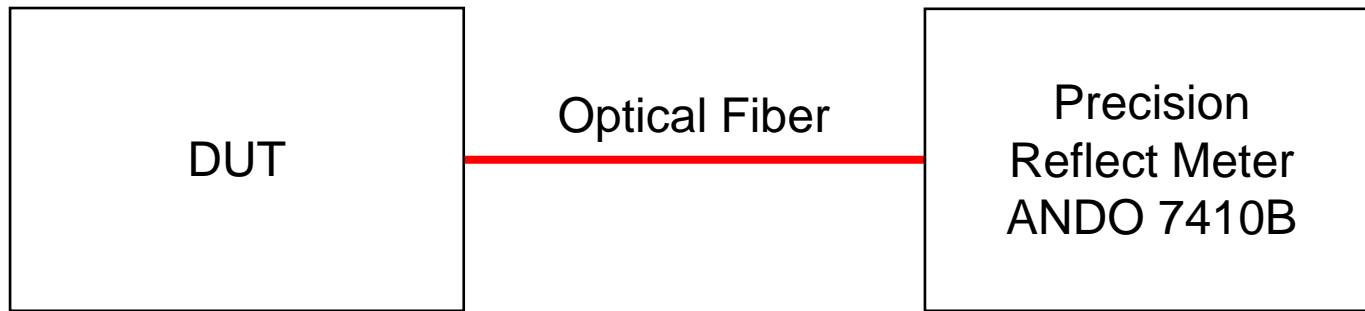
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## (d). Measurement Techniques -2 ( Measurement Diagram -Transmitter- )

### Measurement diagram of Stub ORL



To obtain the stable measurement

1. Set the **resolution** to the minimum limit of instrument.
2. **Inspect** the fiber before mating.
3. **Wait** a few seconds after mating.  
-> We noticed this importance during this experiment.
4. **Average** 10 times measurements.



## (d). Measurement Techniques -3 ( Experiment Procedure )

### Experiment Procedure

1. **Inspect** the endface of DUT and fiber connector and **Take** picture of both.
2. **Mate** the DUT and fiber connector.
3. **Measure** ORL.
4. **Demate** fiber connector.
5. **Inspect** the endface of DUT and fiber connector and **Take** a picture of both.
6. **Soil** the optical endface of DUT with fine dusts and **Take** picture of DUT.
7. **Return** to step-2



## (d). Measurement Techniques -4 ( Repeatability of Equipment )

1. Prepare the clean sample
2. Mate the connector to the sample
3. Measure the ORL 10 times

Operator	Aoki
Position	Develop Engineer
Career	5 years
Sample	SCM6328 (clean)
Number of measurement	10
Average ORL (dB)	58.89
Standard deviation (dB)	0.30
Minimum (dB)	58.57
Maximum (dB)	59.44



## (d). Measurement Techniques -5 ( Mating Repeatability -1 -Procedure- )

1. Prepare the various sample (clean and soiled)
2. Mate the connector to the sample
3. Measure the ORL
4. Disconnect the connector from the sample
5. Inspect both endface (sample and connector)  
Change fiber if connector endface becomes bad.
6. Repeat from 2 to 5



## (d). Measurement Techniques -6 ( Mating Repeatability -2 -Data- )

Operator	Aoki		
Position	Develop Engineer		
Career	5 years		
Sample	SCM6328 (clean)	SCM6328 (soiled)	SCM6328 (soiled)
Number	10	10	32
Average ORL (dB)	61.23	46.99	23.74
Standard deviation (dB)	1.11	0.73	0.75
Minimum (dB)	60.14	46.22	22.24
Maximum (dB)	63.22	48.25	25.07

**\* Standard deviation of good ORL sample is a little bigger.**



## (d). Measurement Techniques -7 ( Operator Dependence -1 -Procedure- )

1. Prepare the bad ORL sample
2. Mate the connector to the sample
3. Measure the ORL
4. Disconnect the connector from the sample
5. Inspect both endface (sample and connector)  
Change fiber if connector endface becomes bad.
6. Repeat from 2 to 5
7. Change the operator and repeat from 2 to 6



## (d). Measurement Techniques -8 ( Operator Dependence -2 -Data- )

Operator	All	Aoki	Kaneko	Joe
Position	-	Develop Engineer	Quality Staff	Product Engineer
Career	-	5 years	2 years	18 years
Sample	SCM6328 (soiled)			
Number	65	30	<b>5</b>	30
Average ORL (dB)	18.85	18.65	19.09	19.02
Standard deviation (dB)	0.70	0.69	0.54	0.69
Minimum (dB)	17.44	17.44	18.20	17.87
Maximum (dB)	20.83	20.83	19.49	20.18

**\* There is little Operator's dependency.**



## (d). Measurement Techniques -9 ( Randomized Measurement -1 -Procedure- )

1. Prepare the 10 samples
2. Mate the connector to the sample
3. Measure the ORL
4. Disconnect the connector from the sample
5. Inspect both endface (sample and connector)  
Change fiber if connector endface becomes bad.
6. Change the operator and sample and go back to 2
7. Repeat randomized 90 times measurement  
( = 3 operators x 10 samples x 3 times )



(d). Measurement Techniques -10  
( Randomized Measurement -2 -Randomize- )



## Randomized Measurement Using the Function of Excel



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Next Slide : Analyzed data



# (d). Measurement Techniques -11 ( Randomized Measurement -3 -data1- )

## Summary of Randomized Measurement Classified by Sample Number

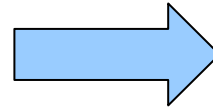
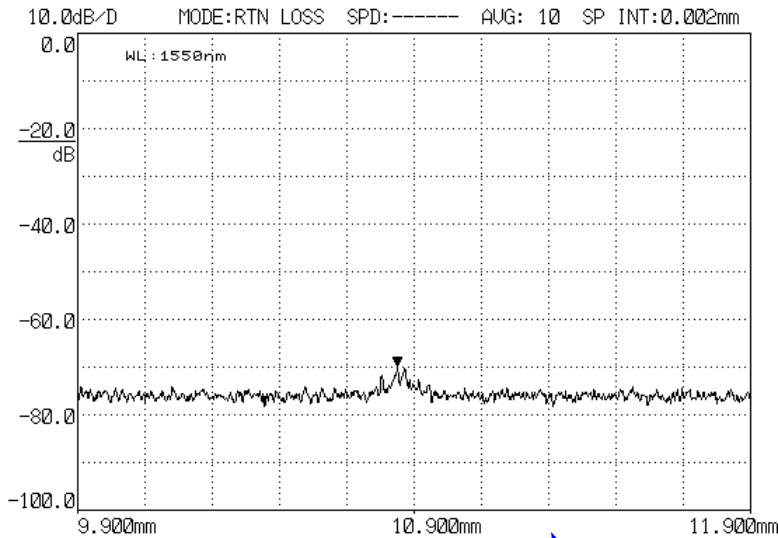
Sample	No.1	No.2	No.3	No.4	No.5	No.6	No.7	No.8	No.9	No.10
Number	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Average ORL (dB)	67.72	66.11	67.82	66.71	68.44	67.14	66.85	68.47	66.60	68.61
Standard deviation (dB)	4.79	3.24	2.27	5.11	2.65	6.28	4.47	3.48	2.30	3.84
Minimum (dB)	56.35	61.41	63.38	57.85	64.78	51.72	58.09	61.13	63.07	62.93
Maximum (dB)	71.80	70.41	71.36	71.79	70.98	72.64	70.56	72.39	69.54	72.97

**\* Standard deviation seems to be worse.**

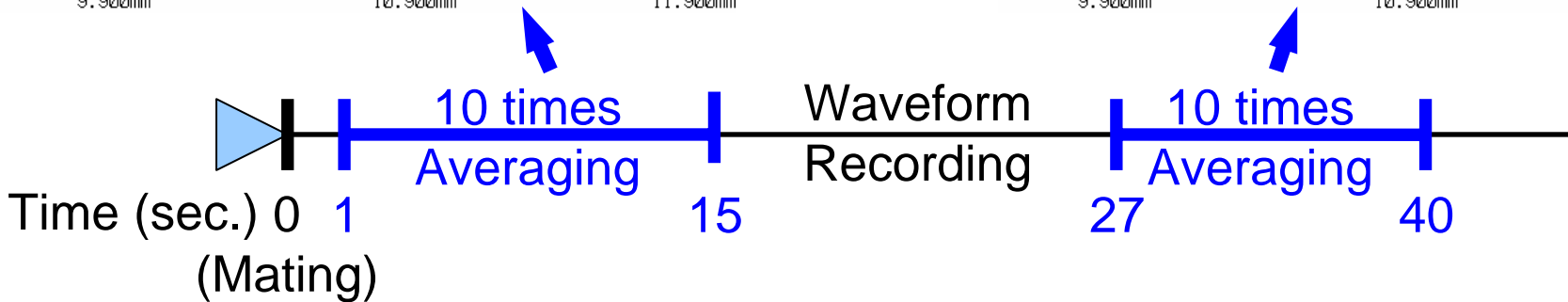
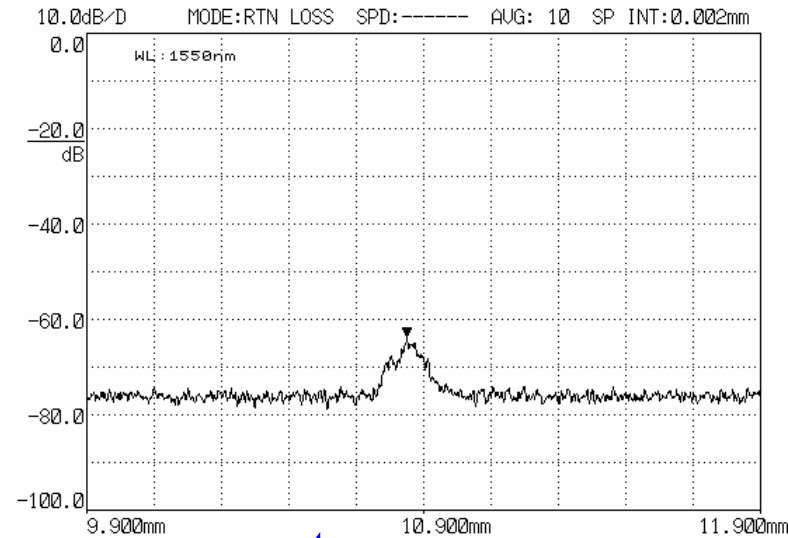


# (d). Measurement Techniques -12 ( Randomized Measurement -4 -ORL Changing- )

## 1st period : 70.14 dB



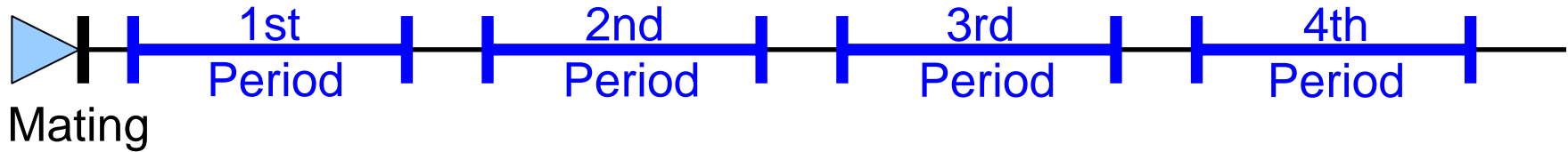
## 2nd period : 63.75 dB



**\* ORL is changing after mating.**



(d). Measurement Techniques -13  
( Randomized Measurement -5 -ORL Changing2- )



Measurement	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
ORL (dB) 1st Mating	70.14	63.75	63.92	63.88
ORL (dB) 2nd Mating	68.44	63.62	62.42	63.39
ORL (dB) 3rd Mating	69.40	63.55	64.02	63.72

**\* Time dependence of ORL shows good repeatability.**



**(d). Measurement Techniques -14  
( Randomized Measurement -6 -data2- )**

**Wait 30 seconds after mating and Measure.**

Sample	No.1	No.2	No.3	No.4	No.5	No.6	No.7	No.8	No.9	No.10
Number	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Average ORL (dB)	58.91	57.28	57.94	57.61	59.53	60.04	59.50	59.49	58.95	57.75
Standard deviation (dB)	0.76	0.63	0.81	0.98	1.16	0.42	1.59	0.78	0.84	0.76
Minimum (dB)	58.04	56.46	56.99	55.80	57.98	59.27	56.65	58.39	57.97	56.61
Maximum (dB)	60.30	58.30	59.09	59.40	61.16	60.64	61.09	60.70	60.77	59.06

**\* Standard deviation is getting better.**

**Next : Randomized measurement of bad ORL samples**



**(d). Measurement Techniques -15  
( Randomized Measurement -7 -data3- )**

**Randomized Measurement of Soiled Sample**

Sample	No.1	No.2	No.3	No.4	No.5	No.6	No.7	No.8	No.9	No.10
Number	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
Average ORL (dB)	43.10	39.02	31.68	38.26	43.55	35.88	38.83	28.32	39.77	35.90
Standard deviation (dB)	0.95	0.83	1.19	1.36	0.90	1.40	0.56	2.11	1.01	1.66
Minimum (dB)	41.81	37.42	29.42	36.38	42.13	32.99	38.01	25.22	38.42	33.42
Maximum (dB)	44.50	39.93	33.07	40.14	45.08	38.29	39.57	31.34	41.95	38.25

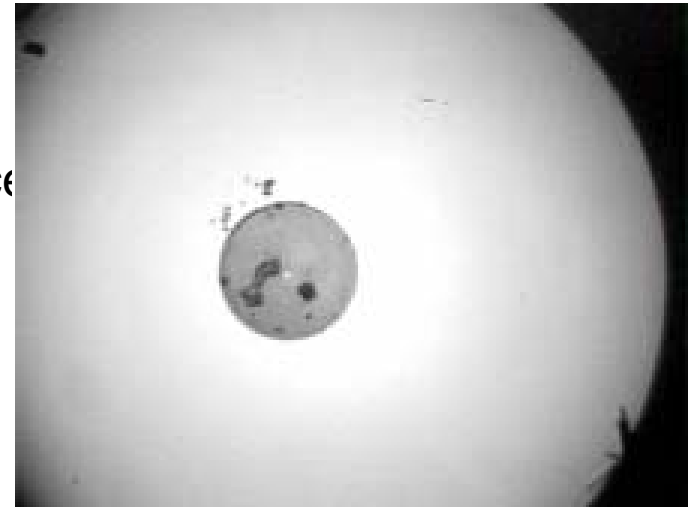
**\* Standard deviation is worse.**



# (d). Measurement Techniques -16 ( Randomized Measurement -8 -Bad ORL- )



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**No.7 : ORLave=38.83dB  
ORLstd= 0.56dB**

**No.8 : ORLave=28.32dB  
ORLstd= 2.11dB**

**Contamination near core causes  
both Average value and Standard deviation of ORL bad.**

Analyzing the relation between the position of contamination and ORL will decide the specification of endface.



## (d). Measurement Techniques -17 ( Summary )

### Summary

1. The error of ORL measurement is up to 1.2 dB.
2. Including the error caused by equipment 0.3 dB.
3. With the consideration of ORL specification including this measurement error, Analyzing the relation between the position of contamination and ORL will decide the specification of endface.



## (d). Measurement Techniques -18 ( Receiver )

### Contents

(a) Measurement Diagram

(b) ORL Calibration

(c) ORL Measurement



# (d). Measurement Techniques -19 (Measurement Diagram of Receiver ORL)

## Measurement diagram of Receiver ORL

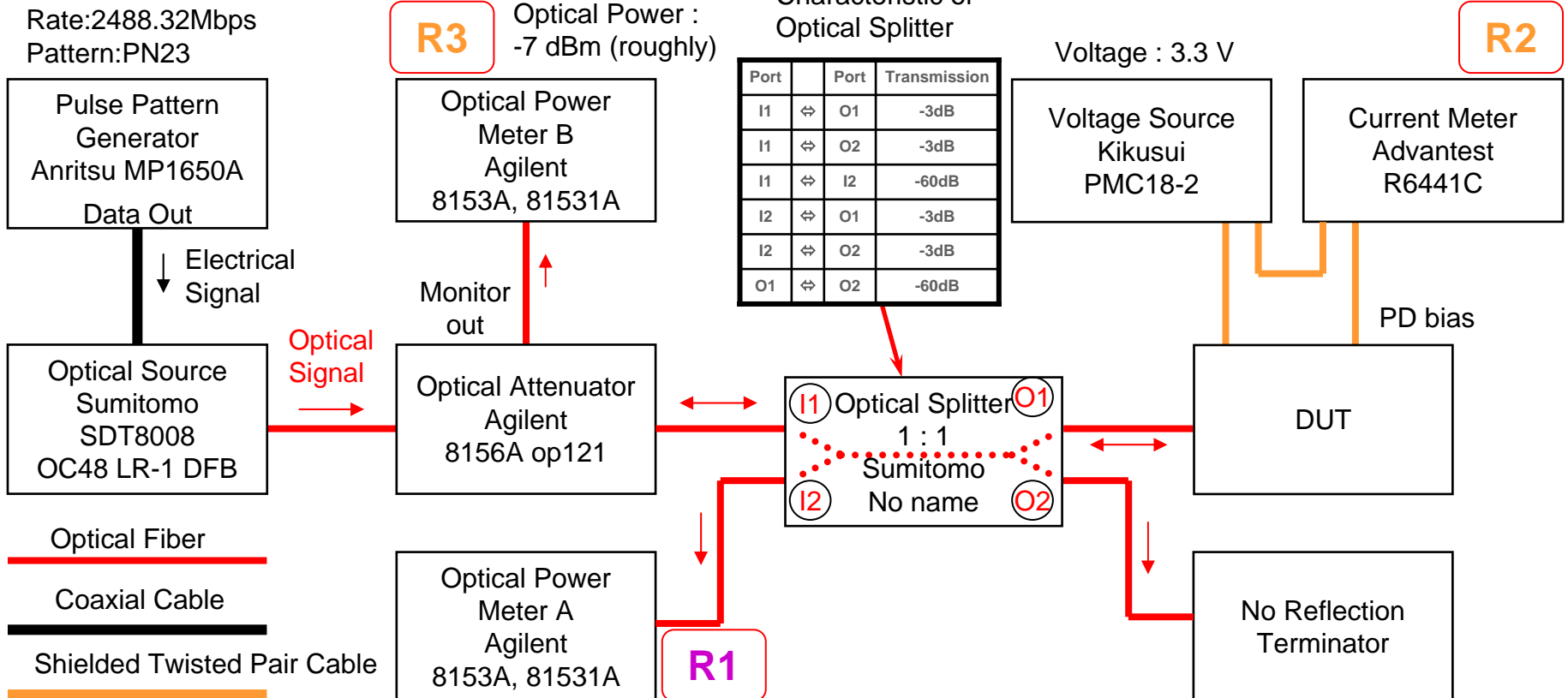
Major Characteristics

R1 : ORL

Sub Characteristics (to check the stability of the test system)

R2 : Photo Current

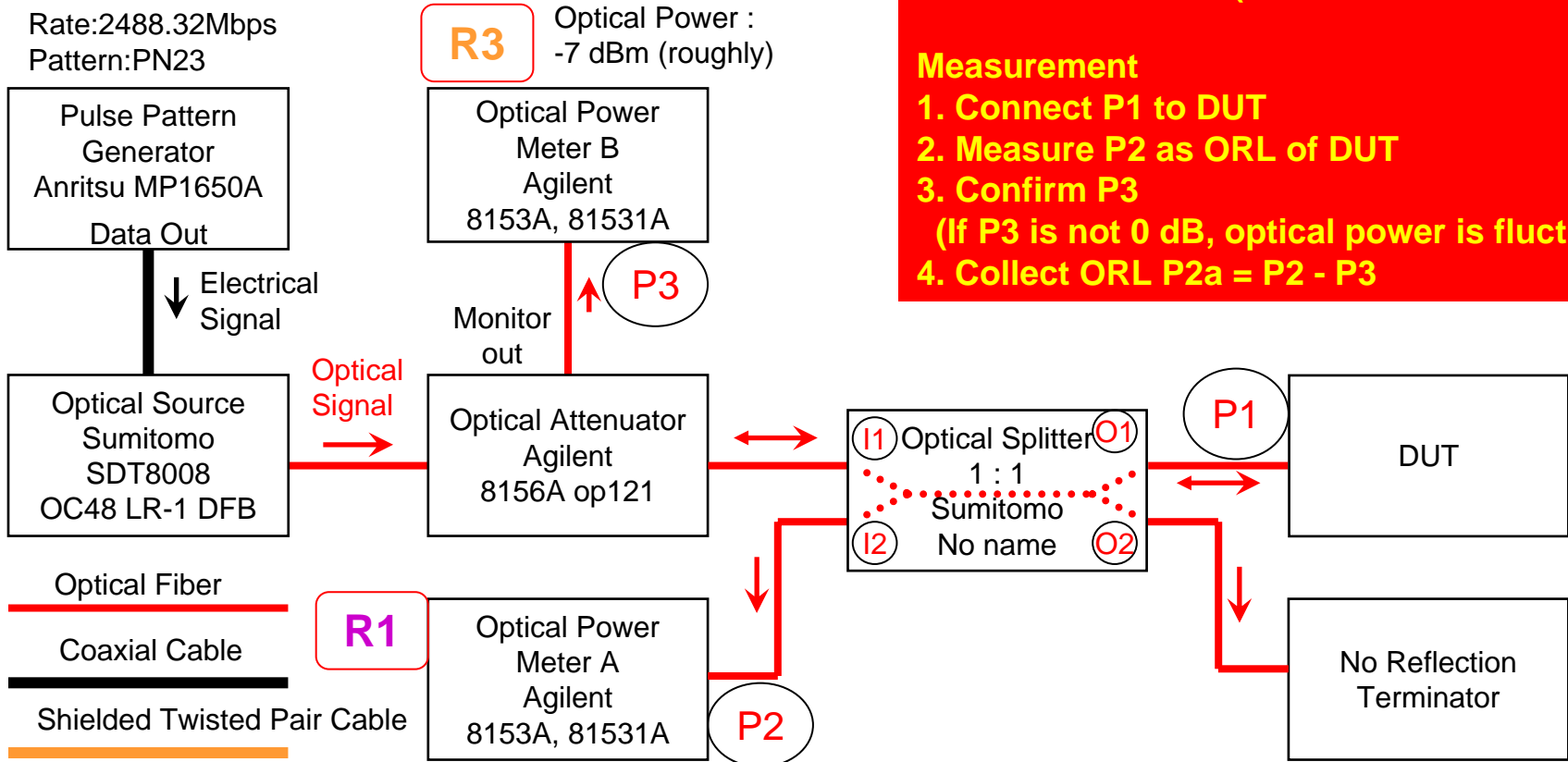
R3 : Optical Input Power





# (d). Measurement Techniques -20 ( Calibration of Receiver ORL -1 )

## Explanation of ORL calibration



- Initial Calibration**
1. Set P1 to -10 dBm by Optical Attenuator
  2. Set P3 as 0 dB
  3. Open P1
  4. Set P2 as -14 dB (assume P1 as fresnel)
- Measurement**
1. Connect P1 to DUT
  2. Measure P2 as ORL of DUT
  3. Confirm P3  
(If P3 is not 0 dB, optical power is fluctuated)
  4. Collect ORL  $P2a = P2 - P3$



# (d). Measurement Techniques -21 ( Calibration of Receiver ORL -2 )

## Example of ORL calibration

Rate:2488.32Mbps  
Pattern:PN23

Pulse Pattern Generator  
Anritsu MP1650A  
Data Out

Electrical Signal

Optical Source  
Sumitomo  
SDT8008  
OC48 LR-1 DFB

Optical Signal

**R3** Optical Power :  
-7 dBm (roughly)

Optical Power Meter B  
Agilent  
8153A, 81531A

Monitor out

Optical Attenuator  
Agilent  
8156A op121

Port		Port	Transmission
I1	->	O1	-3dB
I1	->	O2	-13dB
O1	->	O2	-60dB
O2	->	O1	-60dB

**c0 : -13.0dBm  
-> 0dB**

**b0 : -3.0dBm**

Port		Port	Transmission
I1	↔	O1	-3dB
I1	↔	O2	-3dB
I1	↔	I2	-60dB
I2	↔	O1	-3dB
I2	↔	O2	-3dB
O1	↔	O2	-60dB

**ignorable**

**d0 : -6.0dBm**

**f0 : -20.0dBm**

**a0 : +0.0dBm (assumption)**

Optical Fiber

Coaxial Cable

Shielded Twisted Pair Cable

**Difference is 9.0dB**

Optical Power Meter A  
Agilent  
8153A, 81531A

**h0 : -23.0dBm  
= ORL(p1) : -14.0dB**

**Initial Calibration**

**e0 : -6.0dBm**

**g0 : No Power**

**ORL : -14.0dB  
(assumed as fresnel)**

No Reflection Terminator

**R2**

**P1**

**P2**

**P3**



# (d). Measurement Techniques -22 ( Measurement of Receiver ORL -1 )

## Example of ORL measurement -1

Rate:2488.32Mbps  
Pattern:PN23

Pulse Pattern Generator  
Anritsu MP1650A  
Data Out

Electrical Signal

Optical Source  
Sumitomo  
SDT8008  
OC48 LR-1 DFB

a0 : +0.0dBm

Optical Fiber

Coaxial Cable

**R3** Optical Power :  
-7 dBm (roughly)

Optical Power Meter B  
Agilent  
8153A, 81531A

Monitor out

Optical Attenuator  
Agilent  
8156A op121

Optical Power Meter A  
Agilent  
8153A, 81531A

**R2**

Port		Port	Transmission
I1	->	O1	-3dB
I1	->	O2	-13dB
O1	->	O2	-60dB
O2	->	O1	-60dB

c0 : 0dB (-13.0dBm)

b0 : -3.0dBm

Optical Splitter  
1 : 1  
Sumitomo  
No name

Difference was 9.0dB  
( calibration value )

h1 : -54.0dBm +9.0  
= ORL(P1) : -45.0dB

Port		Port	Transmission
I1	↔	O1	-3dB
I1	↔	O2	-3dB
I1	↔	I2	-60dB
I2	↔	O1	-3dB
I2	↔	O2	-3dB
O1	↔	O2	-60dB

ignorable

d0 : -6.0dBm

f1 : -51.0dBm

P1

DUT  
ORL : -45.0dB

equal

No Reflection Terminator

e0 : -6.0dBm

g0 : No Power



# (d). Measurement Techniques -23 ( Measurement of Receiver ORL -2 )

## Example of ORL measurement -2 Under the Source power fluctuation

Rate:2488.32Mbps  
Pattern:PN23

