

OTDR test module for wind power generation has a 5m attenuation blind zone



Article Overview

A 5-meter attenuation blind zone in an OTDR indicates the minimum fiber length after a reflective event where accurate attenuation measurements cannot be made.

Understanding the Attenuation Blind Zone

The attenuation blind zone (ADZ) is the distance immediately following a reflective event, such as a connector or splice, where the OTDR cannot accurately measure fiber loss due to the overload of the receiver from the test pulse. In your case, a 5-meter ADZ means that any fiber segment within 5 meters of a reflective event cannot have its attenuation precisely measured. This is particularly relevant in wind power generation, where fiber links inside turbines or between turbines may have short segments and multiple connectors.

Causes of the Blind Zone

The ADZ is influenced by several factors:

- Pulse width of the OTDR: Shorter pulses reduce the blind zone but also lower dynamic range. Longer pulses increase the blind zone but allow testing of longer fibers.
- Reflectance of connectors: High reflectance can increase the ADZ. For example, u...

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Similarly, the OTDR with a wavelength of 1550nm also has low attenuation, so it can also be used for long-distance testing. Fresnel

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Premises: Premises cabling, however, has short cable runs and almost never includes splices, so the requirement of OTDR testing

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The OTDR test pulse has a long length in the fiber, typically 5 to 500 meters long (17 to 1700 feet). It cannot see features in the cable

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Figure 5 shows that with enough distance between pulses, connector attenuation at both reflectances can easily be

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OTDR Types As the functional utility of OTDR testing increases along with the demand for enhanced testing speed, accuracy, report

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