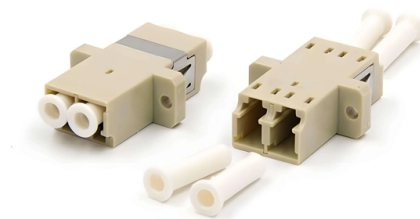


How to measure distance using a fiber optic pigtail



AI Overview

You can measure fiber distance using a fiber optic pigtail by connecting it to an OTDR or power meter with a temporary splice or launch cable setup.

Understanding Fiber Optic Pigtails

A fiber optic pigtail is a short fiber cable with a factory-terminated connector on one end and a bare fiber on the other, designed for splicing into a fiber network . The connector end plugs into testing equipment or active devices, while the bare end is spliced to the fiber under test, providing a low-loss, reliable connection.

Using an OTDR for Distance Measurement

- Prepare the Pigtail and Fiber: Clean the connector end and ensure the bare fiber is ready for a temporary fusion or mechanical splice to the fiber under test .
- Connect the Launch Cable: Attach the pigtail to the OTDR as a launch cable. This allows the OTDR to measure the initial connector and splice losses accurately .
- Set OTDR Parameters:
- Wavelength: Choose 1310nm or 1550nm depending on fiber type.
- Distance Setting: Set the OTDR distance to 1.5 times the expected fiber length to avoid false reflection peaks.
- Pulse Width: Shorter pulses improve resolution for short distances; longer pulses are better for longer fibers.
- Refractive Index: Adjust according to the fiber specifications....

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