High resolution spectrometers ideally suited for a broad range of FBG sensing applications



The I-MON 256/512 USB Interrogation Monitors offer kHz spectrum monitoring of Fiber Bragg Grating (FBG) sensors. High spectrometer resolution combined with broad wavelength range provides high resolution interrogation monitors allowing measurement of a large number of FBG sensors. High sensitivity allows high resolution also at very low light levels.

USB interface and data acquisition software provides easy setup with a laptop, and the I-MON can act as a stand-alone monitor in combination with a customer-selected light source. Additionally the I-MON USB Interrogation Monitors offer straightforward integration with the customer's interrogation system control PCB and meet industrial qualification standards.

I-MON USB

Interrogation Monitors

for FBG sensor systems

I-MON USB Interrogation Monitors

Features	
High measurement frequency	
Broad Wavelength ranges	
High resolution	
Large dynamic range	
Compact size	
No moving parts	

Applications		
Stand-alone Interrogation monitor and/or OEM Interrogation monitor modules:		
Vibration analysis		
Temperatures measurements		
Pressure monitoring		
Strain measurements		

I-MON software

The I-MON USB comes with LabVIEW based software providing plug-and-play operation. Driver software packages and DLL files allow the user to develop own measurement applications for OEM integration.

Operating principle

The Ibsen I-MON Interrogation Monitors build on patented* Ibsen high-resolution spectrometer technology, utilizing Ibsen fused silica transmission gratings. The I-MON splits the wavelength spectrum spatially to allow for parallel processing of the

individual FBG sensor peaks. The FBG sensor peaks are measured by a diode array, and the embedded electronics provides USB interface.

* US patents no.: 6,842,239 and 6,978,062

Specifications

Parameter	I-MON 256 USB	I-MON 512 USB	
Wavelength range	1525 - 1570 nm	1275 -1345 nm /1510 – 1595 nm	
Max no. of FBG's and spacing	>37 at 1200 pm	>70 at 1000 pm/>70 at 1200 pm	
Wavelength fit resolution	<0.5 pm		
Repeatability (over any pol state)	3 (5 max.) pm		
Wavelength linearity	5 (typ.) pm		
Wavelength drift	1 (3 max.) pm/ Degree C*		
Dynamic range	30 dB		
Input optical power range	-70 to -22 dBm		
Measurement frequency	6 kHz	3 kHz	
Interface	USB 2.0		
Current consumption	<250 mA**		
Temperature range	0 – 50 Degree C		
Size	110 x 94 x 49 mm		

^(*) Note that by applying temperature control or temperature correction the wavelength accuracy over the entire temperature range can be improved. (**) USB buspower.

Specifications are subject to change without prior notice. Design and specifications can be modified to suit a range of customer requirements.



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