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Introduction

A large number of abnormal cell site problems are typically caused by the antenna system, cable and connectors, or both. It's important to have the right instrument available when either servicing or certifying cell sites for operation.

The GC723A and GC724B Cable and Antenna Analyzers are the optimal portable diagnostic tool needed to accurately detect operational problems in cell sites.

The GC723A and GC724B have all of the measurement functions necessary to accurately verify the site's antenna system from VSWR to power measurements.

In addition, the GC723A and GC724B make distance-to-fault measurements in order to accurately locate the fault's location.

A touch panel operation with a 7" color display allows measurements to be easily made and displayed. Its application specific software, GCViewer, allows the user to easily compare and analyze measurements and generate professional reports.

The GC723A and GC724B were designed for field testing operation and are equipped with a rechargeable field replaceable lithium-ion battery, which enables continuous operation for more than three hours.

Key Measurements

- VSWR
- DTF (Distance to Fault)
- Cable Loss
- Power Meter

Features

- Portable and lightweight instrument < 2.0kg (4.4lbs)
- Handheld operation
- Built-in worldwide RF signal standards and frequency bands
- 7 inch TFT color display (viewable in daylight)
- Easy to operate through touch screen
- Superior immunity to RF interferences
- Up to 1001 data points to locate long distance problems
- External USB memory capability
- Up to 6 trace markers
- Saves up to 20 user definable setups
- Interface with application software, GCViewer, for data management
- Saves up to 400 measurement traces
- Saves up to 100 measurement screens
- Alphanumeric labeling of saved measurements
- Automatic time stamps of saved data
- Rechargeable and field replaceable lithium-ion battery



Main Functions*

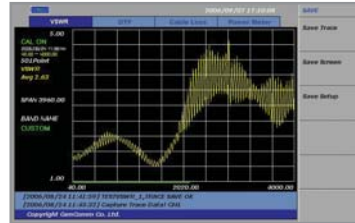
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* All specifications are common for both GC723A and GC724B, otherwise specified.

VSWR

The GC723A and GC724B make high resolution VSWR measurements

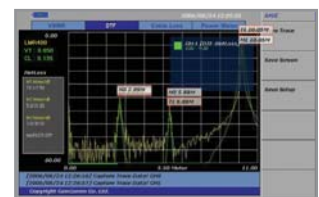
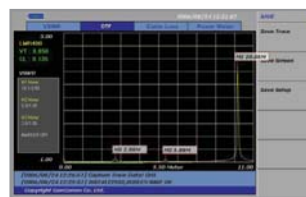
- Frequency Range
 - GC723A: 100 ~ 2700MHz
 - GC724B: 25 ~ 4000MHz
- Dynamic Range: 60dB
- High resolution mode with 1001 points
- Built-in over 80 worldwide RF signal standards
- Registers user definable RF bands into a Custom band list
- Provides an alarm limit line



DTF (Distance to Fault)

The DTF measurement function allows users to accurately identify faulty locations

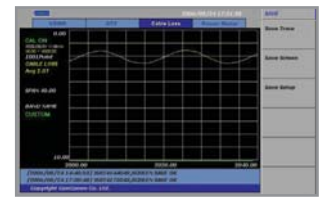
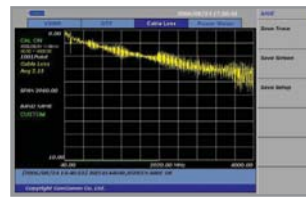
- Frequency Range
 - GC723A: 100 ~ 2700MHz
 - GC724B: 25 ~ 4000MHz
- Distance: Up to 1250m (4125ft)
- Dynamic Range: 60dB
- Built-in over 95 standard cable characteristics
- Registers user definable cables into a Custom cable list



Cable Loss

Cable Loss measures the energy absorbed or lost by the transmission line, it facilitates users to analyze the cable characteristics and the signal loss throughout the transmission line

- Frequency Range
 - GC723A: 100 ~ 2700MHz
 - GC724B: 25 ~ 4000MHz
- Dynamic Range: 0 ~ 30dB
- Provides an alarm limit line



Power Meter

The Power Meter function makes power measurements with optional power sensors displaying the results in dBm or Watts

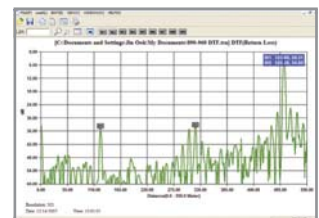
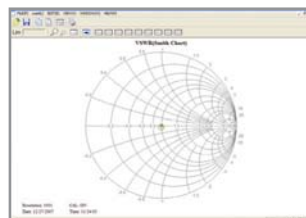
- Plug and play external power sensors
- Upper limit can be set for Pass/Fail indication
- Power sensor types:
 - Directional Power Sensor
 - Terminating Power Sensor



Application Software

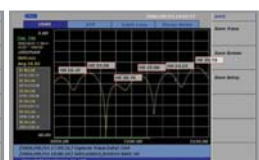
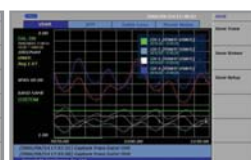
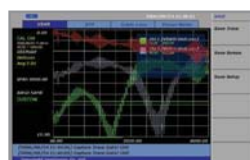
The GC723A and GC724B Application Software, GCViewer, provides all the necessary tools to operate the instrument more conveniently, including:

- Supports Smith Chart
- VSWR-Smith Chart Conversion
- Captures saved plots from the GC723A and GC724B
- Registers or edits user definable RF bands into a Custom bands list
- Registers or edits user definable cables into a Custom cables list
- Edits measurement charts
- Report template available
- Generates and prints reports



Supplementary Functions

- Captures up to 4 traces
- Overlays up to 4 traces in one screen
- Supports up to 6 markers simultaneously



*Excellent Performance and Portability,
Ideal for Field Testing*



DC 15V IN
External DC input port

RF OUT
50ohm N-type RF Connector,
Outputs swept signal to DUT

SERIAL
D-sub serial interface
port to connect
an optional external
power sensor

USB
USB Memory Stick port,
used for either saving
measurement data or
upgrading the instrument's
firmware

LAN
Ethernet Communication
port to connect a PC with
the application software

VSWR
Measures impedance
matching

DTF
Measures distance to
fault location

CABLE LOSS
Measures cable
insertion loss

POWER METER
Measures transmission
power

SYSTEM
Identifies and/or revises
system information or
upgrade firmware

CAL
Calibration on selected
frequency band in
VSWR, DTF and Cable
Loss measurements

Power & LED
Power On/Off
Green LED : Power On Status
Red LED : External power

LOAD
Recalls saved traces to
compare with current
or other saved traces

MARKER
Supports six markers for
each trace

AMP
Sets Y-axis Min/Max,
Limit and Limit Level

SAVE
Saves Current, Screen,
Trace or Setup

TRACE
Captures up to 4 traces
Assigns saved trace to
Trace CH

FREQ / DIST
Sets frequency ranges in VSWR
and Cable Loss mode.
Selects standard or custom frequency
band. Selects standard cables or register
custom cables in DTF mode.

LIGHT
Sets LCD Brightness

PEAK
Searches the highest
peak of signal

SCALE
Sets Y-axis scale,
VSWR & Return Loss

AUTO SCALE
Adjusts Y scale on
screen for optimal
display of traces

TRACE POINT
Selects trace points
among 126, 251, 501
or 1001

ESC
Cancels inputs or moves
to previous menu

HOLD
Pauses current
measurement display

ENTER
Inputs numeric values

7"Color LCD
Daylight viewable
high resolution LCD
display

Screen Menu
Displays selectable
menu in connection
with function keys or
soft keys

Soft Key
Selects menu displayed
on the screen

SPEAKER
Sounds internal
beep if it is ON

KNOB & UP/DOWN
Moves marker positions
or items on the table list



Specifications / Ordering Information

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Specifications

General	
Max Input Power	+25dBm
Frequency Accuracy	<±75ppm
Frequency Resolution	100kHz
Test Port Impedance	50Ω
Test Port	Type N, Female
Trace Storage	Up to 400
Screen Storage	Up to 100
Setup Storage	Up to 20
VSWR	
Frequency Range	25 ~ 4000MHz (GC724B) 100 ~ 2700MHz (GC723A)
Data Points	126, 251, 501, 1001
Return Loss	0 ~ 60dB
VSWR Range	1 ~ 65
Measurement Speed	1, 1.3, 2.5, 5sec for each data points
Cable Loss	
Frequency Range	25 ~ 4000MHz (GC724B) 100 ~ 2700MHz (GC723A)
Cable Loss Range	0 ~ 30dB
Resolution	0.01dB
DTF (Distance to Fault)	
Frequency Range	25 ~ 4000MHz (GC724B) 100 ~ 2700MHz (GC723A)
Distance	0 ~ 1250m (4125ft)
Horizontal Range	0 to (# of data points-1) x (resolution-1)/2
Resolution	(1.5x10 ⁸)(V _P)/(Delta)(ZF) V _P : cable's relative propagation velocity Delta[Hz] = Stop Freq - Start Freq ZF(Zoom Factor) = Setup Dist./Max Dist.
Return Loss	0 ~ 60dB
VSWR	1 ~ 65
Immunity to Interfering Signals	
On Frequency	+ 5dBm
On Channel	+ 17dBm

RF Power Meter (Requires GC731A or GC732A)	
Display Range	-80 ~ +80dBm
Offset Range	0 ~ 60dB
Resolution	0.01dB or 0.1xW
Directional Power Sensor (GC731A)	
Sensor Type	Average and Peak Power Sensors
Frequency Range	300 ~ 3800MHz
Measurement Range	Average : +21.76 ~ +51.76dBm (0.15 ~ 150W) Peak : +36.02 ~ +56.02dBm (4 ~ 400W)
Measurement Uncertainty	± 4% of reading above 35°C or below 15°C adds 3%
Input VSWR	300 ~ 3000MHz < 1.07 3000 ~ 3800MHz < 1.10
Connector Type	N, Female
Terminating Power Sensor (GC732A)	
Sensor Type	Average
Frequency Range	20 ~ 3800MHz
Measurement Range	-30 ~ +20dBm (1uW ~ 100mW)
Measurement Uncertainty	± 7%
Input VSWR	20 ~ 2500MHz < 1.12 2500 ~ 3800MHz < 1.25
Connector Type	N, male
Miscellaneous	
Dimension	260 x 190 x 60mm (10.2" x 7.5" x 2.4")
Weight	< 2.0kg (4.4lbs) includes battery
Battery	Li-ion (>3hrs continuous operating)
Environmental Condition	
Operating Temperature	-10 ~ 50 °C (14 ~ 122 °F)
Storage Temperature	-40 ~ 80 °C (-40 ~ 176 °F)
Humidity	95% No Condensation

Specifications and product description subject to change without notice

Ordering Information

Basic Models

- GC723A Cable and Antenna Analyzer (100 ~ 2700MHz)
- GC724B Cable and Antenna Analyzer (25 ~ 4000MHz)

Standard Accessories

- GC723-50541 : Soft Carrying Case
- GC724-50522 : AC-DC Adapter
- G7105-50335 : Cross LAN Cable (1.5m)
- GC724-50513 : 256MByte USB Memory
- GC724-50523 : Automotive Cigarette Lighter/12V DC Adapter
- GC724-50321 : Lithium-Ion Battery
- G7105-50316 : Stylus Pen
- GC723-50561 : User's Manual and Application Software CD

Optional Accessories

- GC724-50509 : Calibration Kit, 40dB, 4GHz
- GC724-50531 : RF Cable, 1.5m, N(m)-N(f)
- GC724-50532 : RF Cable, 3.0m, N(m)-N(f)
- GC723-50542 : Hard Case
- GC723-50562 : GC723A/GC724B User's Manual- Printed Version
- G7000-50571 : Adapter N(m) to DIN(f)
- G7000-50572 : Adapter DIN(m) to DIN(m)
- G7000-50573 : Adapter N(m) to SMA(f)
- G7000-50574 : Adapter N(m) to BNC(f)

High Accuracy Power Meter Accessories

- GC731A : Directional Power Sensor (300 ~ 3800MHz, Average Power +21.76 ~ +51.76dBm, Peak Power +36.02 ~ +56.02dBm)
- GC732A : Terminating Average Power Sensor (20 ~ 3800MHz, -30 ~ +20dBm)





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