

Spirent fX2

10/100/1000 Megabit Ethernet Test Modules

The Spirent fX2 10/100/1000 M Ethernet multi-speed test modules deliver the highest density and lowest total cost of ownership in its class. Spirent's Layer 2–3 traffic generation and analysis is combined with powerful network emulation and application traffic to deliver the perfect blend of realism, scalability and performance required to test today's networks.

The Spirent fX2 10/100/1000 M Ethernet multi-speed test modules combine Spirent's industry-leading Layer 2–3 traffic generation and analysis with powerful network emulation and application layer protocols for emulating a wide range of device types, users and protocols. These modules deliver the highest performance per dollar for Layer 2–7 testing. Reduced power consumption and the ability to use a single module throughout the test lifecycle results in lower CAPEX and OPEX. These modules are ideal for functional, conformance and performance testing of data center and service provider network infrastructure and evolving SDN and NFV technologies. The Spirent fX2 module is available in multiple port count variations to match your test needs and budget.

Applications

SDN and Data Center—Validate forwarding performance and functional capabilities of Software Define Networks (SDN) with ultra-low latency and flexible port density. Supports key technologies like VXLAN, OpenFlow, PCE, Segment Routing and BGP-LS

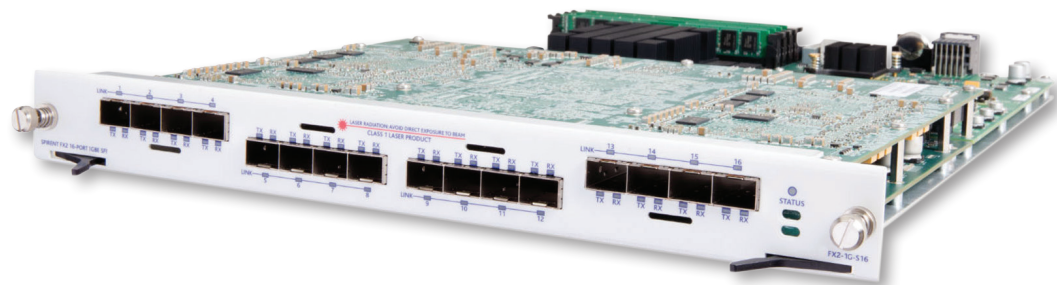
Device Benchmarking—Test using IETF RFC 2544, RFC 2889 and RFC 3918 methodologies with easy test setup using dynamically bound traffic and automated wizards

Edge and Campus Routers & Switches—Verify scale, reliability, performance of Layer 2 & 3 services including data, multicast and video delivered via unicast routing, multicast routing, switching and MPLS VPN technologies

Carrier Ethernet—Verify scale, reliability, performance of Ethernet services delivered via Ethernet OAM, MPLS-TP, VPLS, PWE3 Psuedowires, bridged Ethernet, packet transport protocols or combinations of these technologies

Subscriber Emulation—Verify setup & teardown of thousands of access subscribers using different services over various tunneling technologies (VLAN, L2GRE, MPLS, VPNs, VPLS, etc...) under normal or exceptional traffic conditions

Functional, Conformance and Performance Testing—Validate features, conformance to standards and measure system performance. Multiple port count versions meet your density and cost needs



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Features & benefits

- Choose from 16-, 12-, or 8-port versions to meet your density and budget needs
- SFP connector form-factor supports optical and BASE-T connectivity
- Low total cost of ownership compared to other test modules in its class
 - Excellent price-performance ratio that delivers faster time-to-market by combining leading-edge technical innovation with Spirent's extensive testing experience
 - Intelligent power control to shut down unused test modules and allows faster boot time to bring capacity back on-line quickly (software update expected 2H'15)
 - More total throughput than the competition for a given power footprint
 - Enhanced chassis software license value—Two to four times the device or end-user emulation per chassis with no increase in software costs
 - Topology emulation lowers Capex by eliminating the need for multiple DUTs in multiprotocol tests
 - Intelligent results gets answers in a fraction of the test time required by competitive products
 - Faster boot and firmware upgrade times mean less downtime in continuous running 24x7 regression test beds
- Spirent TestCenter's industry-leading Layer 2–3 feature set
 - “Hardened” system already proven for testing from a single port up to 2,100 ports
 - Stress ASIC and backplane designs with live traffic changes. The number of emulated devices, the traffic they emanate and the rate at which they send it can all be changed “on the fly” making for more realistic tests and faster troubleshooting
 - Best-in-industry for measuring ultra-low sub-microsecond latencies with 10ns precision and resolution
 - 19 different scheduling algorithms available for finding the right traffic to emulate the real world or tax the device's ability to handle any traffic pattern—from micro-bursts to carefully timed sequences of “killer” frames
- fX2 modules support Spirent TestCenter's deep analysis system
 - Port counts, rates, errors and protocol summaries provide a high-level view for quick drilldown to specific issues
 - Broadest set of per stream metrics with simultaneous control and data plane results allows most tests to be run in a single pass
 - Real-time traffic filters allow analysis down to specific fields. Multiple metrics can be simultaneously collected and instantly analyzed
 - Dynamic views feature multi-metric extraction, sorting and operation in real-time or post test. Full packet capture enables timing, sequencing and content analysis for individual packets. Powerful filters ensure the capture buffer is filled with relevant data

Technical specifications

fX2 module specifications

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| Port density | 16-, 12- and 8-port modules available. (16-port version expected mid-2015; 12- and 8-port versions expected 3Q'15) |
| Media support See accessory table below for part numbers | 1000MBASE-SX, 1000MBASE-LX, 10/100/1000MBASE-T (100BASE-FX and other 100M optical media not supported) |
| Line clocking and packet time stamping – modules get their transmit line clocking and time-stamping from the control modules on the SPT-N11U and SPT-N4U. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Stratum-3 rated oscillator is the default time source. Transmit line clock is at the precise nominal Ethernet rate +/- < 1 PPM on initial shipment. Accurate to +/- 4.6 PPM over 15 years of operation. ■ Frame time stamp resolution of 10ns. ■ GPS and CDMA-based external time sources are supported ■ IEEE 1588v2 and NTP packet-based external time sources are supported ■ TIA/EIA-95B-based external time sources are supported |
| Inter-module and Inter-chassis Time Synchronization | Ports in the same chassis are phase-locked to the internal timing source. For separate systems: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Timing chain synchronization with +/- 20ns ■ Synchronized via GPS or CDMA network ■ Using NTP or PTP packet-based approaches (requires supporting controller version) |
| User reservation | Per-port reservation |
| Transmit / receive streams per port | 32k/64k |
| VFDs | 6 VFDs available for each of 1024 stream templates |
| Scheduler Mode Support | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Port Based – traffic scheduling handled at the port level ■ Rate Based – key parameters determined at the port level with division among the individual stream blocks ■ Priority Based – scheduling determined at the stream block level using user-assigned priorities. Precise scheduling of CBR and bursty traffic for QoS testing. ■ Manual Mode – manual control of stream sequence. |
| Frame length range and controls | 100% line rate for 1GE frames of 58-16383 bytes controlled by fixed, increment, decrement, random and IMIX modes. 10/100ME max frame length of 16350 when not using PPM adjust. 10BASE-TX max frame length of 13000 when using PPM adjust. |
| Statistics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Nearly 50 transmit stats per port reported in real time. Includes L1-4 counters and rates and checksum and CRC errors ■ Over 40 real-time measurements per stream including advanced sequencing, latency, jitter and data integrity |
| Line clocking and packet time stamping – mX2 ports get their transmit line clocking and time-stamping from the built-in hardware timing interface | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Stratum-3 rated oscillator is the default time source and adjustable by +/- 100 PPM ■ Frame time stamp resolution is 10ns ■ NTP and PTP supported with upgrade available mid-201 |
| Capture | 16 MB per port with sophisticated trigger and filtering controls (8MB supported in first release) |
| Histograms | Port-level histogram modes for latency, jitter, interarrival time, frame length, sequence run length and sequence difference check |
| Operating temperature | 15 C - 35 C, 20% - 80% RH (non-condensing) |

Spirent services

Spirent Global Services provides a variety of professional services, support services and education services—all focused on helping customers meet their complex testing and service assurance requirements. For more information, visit the Global Services website at www.spirent.com or contact your Spirent sales representative.

Technical specifications (cont.)

Spirent TestCenter Protocol Emulation

Spirent TestCenter protocols available as separately licensed packages. Below is a sample list of supported protocols. Contact Spirent for a full list of capabilities and packages.

Enterprise and data center switch protocol support

- OpenFlow 1.3 / 1.0: OpenFlow switch and controller emulation and switch conformance testing
- Routing, multicast and bridging: All major IPv4 and IPv6 unicast and multicast routing protocols, IGMPv1/v2/v3, MLDv1/v2, LACP, STP, RSTP and MSTP
- Data center: DCBX, FCoE, FIP, 802.1Qbb
- Stateful L4-7: HTTP, SIP and FTP

Service Provider protocol support

- SDN/NFV: PCE and Segment Routing
- Routing and MPLS: All major IPv4 and IPv6 unicast and multicast routing protocols, RSVP-TE, LDP, VPLS-LDP, VPLS-BGP, BGP/MPLS-VPN, Fast Re-route, EVPN, mVPN, P2MP-TE, BFD, TWAMP and PWE3 (RFC4447)
- Access: ANCP, PPPoE, DHCP, L2TP, IGMPv1/v2/v3, MLDv1/v2, DHCPv6 and PPPoEv6
- Carrier Ethernet and bridging: LACP, STP, RSTP and MSTP, 802.1ag CFM, Y.1731, PBB, PBB-TE, Link OAM
- Stateful L4-7: HTTP, SIP and FTP, Unicast/Multicast RTSP and RAW TCP
- Mobile Backhaul: MPLS-TP, 1588v2 and Synchronous Ethernet

Ordering Information

Test Modules

| Description | Part Number |
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| SPIRENT fX2 10/100/1000ME SFP 16-PORTS | fX2-1G-S16 |
| SPIRENT fX2 10/100/1000ME SFP 12-PORTS | fX2-1G-S12 |
| SPIRENT fX2 10/100/1000ME SFP 8-PORTS | fX2-1G-S8 |

Accessories*

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| 1000Base-SX GigE SFP Transceiver, MM 850nm, LC Connector | ACC-6025A |
| 1000Base-LX GigE SFP Transceiver, SM 1310nm, LC Connector | ACC-6026A |
| Copper transceiver, SFP, 1000BASE-T RJ-45 | ACC-6092A |

* 100BASE-FX and other 100M optical media not supported.

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