

STI Field Test 7 for Aeroflex 3920 and 3500A

All New Geographic Signal Coverage with Expanded Capability for US and International Markets



Lower Cost Mapping with New Ability to Use .SHP, .TAB, Bitmap, .JPEG and .TIF Files



The first step toward improving system coverage is to understand current system performance.

What does STI FT7 do?

- Expanded feature set works with XP, Vista and Windows 7
- Automated control of receiving hardware during signal measurement tests.
- Expanded Digital Test capabilities. Take advantage of the 3920 and 3500A's advanced signal analysis features.
 - P25 C4FM Modulation Fidelity and Symbol Deviation Measurements
 - NEW P25 Phase II HDQPSK Modulation Fidelity and Symbol Deviation Measurements with the 3920
 - DMR TDMA 4FSK Modulation Fidelity and Symbol Deviation Measurements
 - dPMR 4FSK Modulation Fidelity and Symbol Deviation Measurements
 - TETRA $\pi/4$ DQPSK EVM and Magnitude Error with the 3920
 - NXDN™ 4FSK Modulation Fidelity and Symbol Deviation Measurements
- Graphical real-time display of signal measurements during data acquisition.
- Graphical real-time display of the position of measurements.

- Graphical analysis of individual data records and geographic groups of records.
- Quick creation of color plots of signal parameter contours over the area of data acquisition.

What you need with FT7

- STI Field Test 7 package including:
 - ✓ FT7 software and manual
 - ✓ GPS receiver – Holux USB with driver.
 - ✓ Ethernet/RS232 cables.
 - ✓ 3900/3500 drivers.
- NEW ability to import *.SHP and .TAB street data files as well as JPEG, Bitmap and TIF building drawings too.

All you need to provide is your:

- 3920 or 3500A Radio Test Set.
- Laptop PC with USB/Ethernet.
- Antenna, cable and adapters.

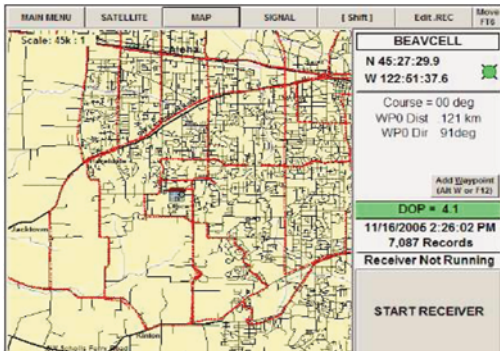
STI Field Test 7 is automated signal measurement and analysis software that can be interfaced with most Aeroflex Radio Test Sets, particularly the new 3920 Digital PMR and 3500A portable test sets. STI Field Test 7 consists of a GPS receiver, measurement and analysis software, and drivers for the Aeroflex Radio Test Sets, allowing you to utilize your laptop PC to integrate a Field Test System that meets your drive test requirements. The types of signal measurements taken are limited only by the capabilities of the RF measurement instrument used. This unique feature ensures a long and useful life for your STI system. From digital P25 or Tetra BER to analog

SINAD and signal strength. STI Field Test 7 is the automated field measurement and analysis kit for your compatible Aeroflex Radio Test Set. Field Test 7 is also compatible with the 3200 Series spectrum analyzer line.

Getting Started with FT7

Follow these simple steps to setup your STI Field Test 7 Software:

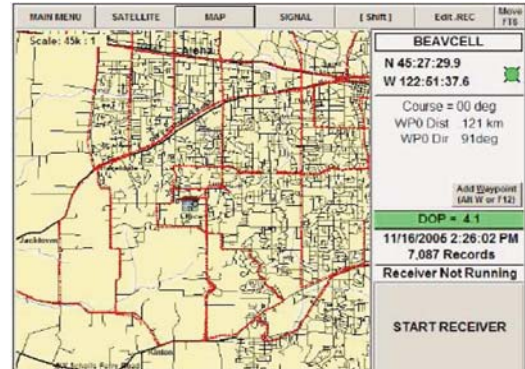
Within the setup mode, you may either create a new project or select an existing project to continue data collection. To create a new project, select a driver from the menu for the Test Set you intend to use. A separate driver is needed for each Test Set used. Select a Test Set setup file containing the test commands the instrument requires and the list of frequencies to be measured. Aeroflex provides a default project for you to use as a starting point. It's easy to select the default setup then add or change settings to tailor the measurement cycle to your current project requirements.



Graphical real-time display

Signal Acquisition

Simply start the signal measurement process and drive your STI Field Test System throughout an area of interest, acquiring an adequate density of measurements. STI Field Test 7 will automate signal strength measurements at each specified frequency, average the measurements according to your setup, combine latitude and longitude information from the GPS and create a Microsoft Access™ measurement database. Measurement data can be exported as Excel, comma or tab delimited files for further manipulation or imported into coverage prediction applications.



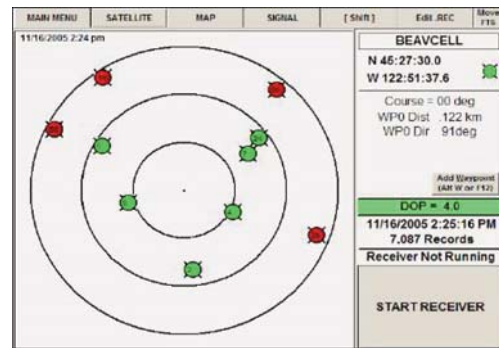
Map Display

Geographic Maps

The Field Test 7 software provides compatibility with common .SHP and .TAB file street data. Street map .SHP data is included for the entire US and Canada as well as major highways world wide. Other map layers from local sources may be added using the Layer Manager dialog.

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[Compatibility]
Driver=A_3900.exe
File Version 6=True
[Global Settings]
Measurement Type(P25,RSSI,TETRA)=TETRA
[Freq List]
;Format is LineNum=Name,Frequency(MHz),[Signals Bottom],[Signals Top]
1=Ch1107_RSSI,427.6875MHz
;2=Ch1107_MNC,MNC,0,100
3=Ch1151_RSSI,428.7875MHz
4=Ch1151_MNC,MNC,0,100
;8=Ch1151_BCC,BCC,0,70
;9=Ch3_LA,LA,0,16383
[TETRA Initial Commands]
1=:RF:ANALyzer:Port ANT
2=:RF:ANALyzer:RECeiver:AMP ON
3=:CONFigure:CHPlan:load"No Plan"
[TETRA Measurement Commands]
1=:RF:ANALyzer:FREQuency <F>
2=:RF:ANALyzer:FREQuency? <F>
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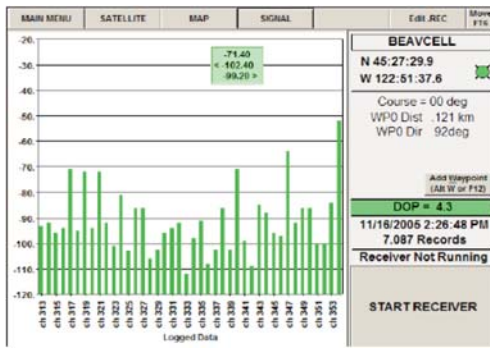
Example of 3920 REC configuration file for Tetra



GPS Display

Acquisition Displays

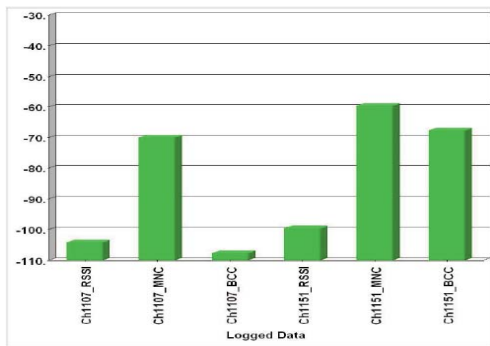
As measurements are taken, signal readings and their locations are displayed in real time. The Map Display in STI Field Test 7 is a real-time display showing measurement positions and vehicle location during the drive test. The Signal Display is also a real-time display showing the results of each signal measurement cycle. Channel names and the "y" axis of this screen are entered in the initiation file for each project. The GPS Display is generated from GPS receiver information and shows the constellation of satellites and the level of reception from each.



Signal Display

Tetra Specific Measurements

When using the Aeroflex 3920, STI Field Test 7 can also display and record decoded information from the Tetra Base Station; like MCC, MNC, BCC and LA to verify cell identity or identify interfering stations.



Tetra Signal display showing RSSI, MNC and BCC

P25 Specific Measurements

With both the 3920 and the 3500A, the STI Field Test 7 can display and record the BER, Modulation Fidelity and Symbol Deviation of the transmitted signal from P25 Base Stations. In addition, the Network Access Code (NAC) can be displayed and recorded.

P25 Phase II Specific Measurements

With both the 3920 and the 3500A, the STI Field Test 7 can display and record the BER, Modulation Fidelity and Symbol Deviation of the transmitted signal from P25 Phase II Base Stations.

DMR Specific Measurements

With both the 3920 and the 3500A, the STI Field Test 7 can display and record the BER, FSK Error and Symbol Deviation of the transmitted signal from DMR Base Stations. In addition, the color code and Call ID of the signal can be displayed and recorded.

dPMR Specific Measurements

With both the 3920 and the 3500A, the STI Field Test 7 can display and record the BER, FSK Error and Symbol Deviation of the transmitted signal from dPMR Base Stations.

NXDN™ Specific Measurements

With both the 3920 and the 3500A, the STI Field Test 7 can display and record the BER, FSK Error and Symbol Deviation of the transmitted signal from NXDN™ Base Stations. In addition, the Radio Access Number (RAN) can be displayed and recorded.

Signal Analysis (Macro): Contour Plot

The primary form of signal coverage analysis is a contour plot generated from measurements taken during the drive test. Contour plots are the best method to graphically display large amounts of data in an easy-to-understand format. Blend and Custom are the two types of contour plots.

- Blend Plots display signal strength variation across geography. Blend Plot Signal strength contours are displayed at periodic levels such as 5 dB and can be converted to the units of your choice, such as dBuV, dBm or dBu.
- Custom Plots demonstrate coverage as grades of service. Contour plots can either be saved to graphic file or text data base, printed or exported in KML format to be displayed in Google Earth.

BER and other quality metrics can also be analyzed and visualized with contour plots.



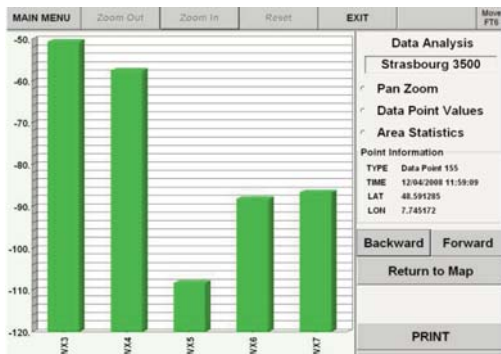
Blend plot of single carrier coverage



Custom Plot Best Server

Signal Analysis (Micro): Point and Area

Once signal anomalies have been identified with a contour plot, point and area analysis allows the raw data to be recalled and analyzed in detail. In area analysis mode a polygon can be scribed over a subset of data points to view signal value statistics within that region. With data point analysis, select a single data point to recall and display measured values graphically in bar chart form. You may step forward or backward along the drive path recalling information specific to each measurement point.



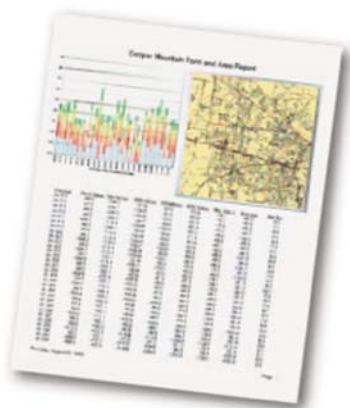
Single plot analysis



Area Statistics

Signal Analysis (Micro): Point and Area

STI Field Test 7 automates the field testing process and translates large amounts of signal measurements into clear concise reports in a cost effective manner. This type of system verification is critical for new site set-up, coverage verification, system optimization and ongoing maintenance.

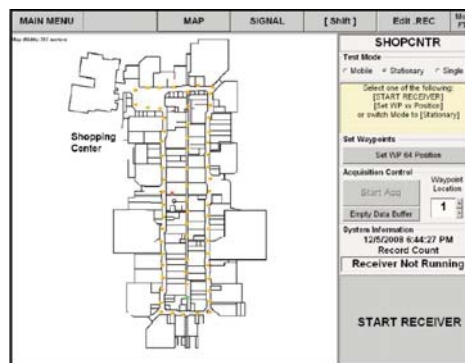


Point and Area analysis report

Tile Analysis and Report

Tiling is a function of STI Field Test 7 that provides a means of quantifying signal coverage for system acceptance and proof of performance testing. In this mode, a region of interest is divided into equal-size geographic areas called tiles. Data acquisition is conducted as usual. The grid of geographic tiles is displayed during data acquisition to indicate to the operator when a qualifying number of measurements have been made in each tile area. After data collection, the area of interest can be analyzed statistically. A verifiable specification statement for a communications system using this quantitative form of analysis might read, "Tile sizes will be 1 minute

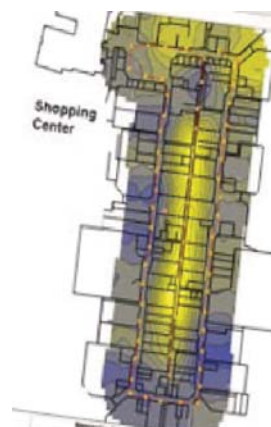
rectangles. After qualifying 80% of the tiles in this geographic area with at least 10 measurements, at least 95% of the qualified tiles must have 100% of their measurements above -95 dBm." You can automatically produce tile reports indicating the number of measurements in every tile, the percent of measurements above the threshold level for every tile and summary statistics for the entire area of measurement. Tile capability is included in the STI Field Test 7 package from Aeroflex.



Setup indoor map and WP

Indoor Measurement:

An STI Field Test System equipped with the indoor measurement option allows you to import a building floor plan for referencing measurement locations during mobile or stationary indoor tests. The STI Indoor survey capability is included in the STI Field Test 7 package from Aeroflex.



Contour plot of indoor map

VERSIONS AND ACCESSORIES

Ordering

Numbers Versions

3920	Advanced Radio Test System
390XOPT111	TETRA BS (Base Station) Test Option
390XOPT200	P25 Conventional Test Option
390XOPT400	DMR Test Option
390XOPT420	dPMR Test Option
390XOPT440	NXDN™ Test Option

For more details:

<http://www.aeroflex.com/3920>

3500A	Portable Radio Test Set
35XXOPT07	P25 Test Option
35XXOPT33	NXDN™ Test Option
35XXOPT34	DMR Test Option

For more details:

<http://www.aeroflex.com/3500A>

AC25081	Site Survey Software (FTI Field Test 7 package)
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