LAZERMaster®
LZM-100 Splicing System

The LZM-100 LAZERMaster is a glass processing and splicing system that uses a CO₂ laser heat source to perform splicing, adiabatic tapering (to create MFAs or pump combiners), lensing, or other glass shaping operations with glass diameters of 2.3 mm or more. The high resolution optical analysis system works in conjunction with on-board firmware for fully automatic splicing, tapering and other glass shaping processes.

High precision glass processing is enabled by the intuitive and user-friendly on-board firmware (virtually identical to that of the Fujikura FSM-100 ARCMaster splicers). Operations may also be performed manually and by PC control. A SpliceLab PC control GUI is supplied with the LZM-100 to provide additional features, greater flexibility and finer control. The SpliceLab GUI is pre-installed on the All-in-one computer. Customers can also create proprietary PC control algorithms using a complete set of PC control commands.

Features

- CO₂ laser heat source eliminates electrode or filament maintenance, provides extremely stable operation and greatly reduces the need for periodic calibration
- Automated laser beam diameter control to fine tune the size of the heating area
- An advanced configurable system capable of producing tapers, ball lenses, combiners, MFAs, glass shaping and splicing
- Excellent performance for dissimilar diameter fiber splicing
- Ultra high strength splicing
- Redundant automated laser safety features
- 2.3 mm maximum fiber diameter (larger fibers may be spliced manually)
- Long travel / high resolution Z motion for long adiabatic tapers
- Automatic operation by on-board LZM-100 splicer firmware, manual operation or operation by PC (PC and SpliceLab GUI included with the LZM-100 system)
- Intuitive SpliceLab PC GUI: Easy to understand, navigate and operate
- Complete set of PC command codes enables users to develop proprietary processes

Ordering Information

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<td>LAZERMaster LZM-100 Glass Processing &amp; Splicing System (Standard baseline LZM-100 system. Includes AC adapters &amp; cords and SpliceLab PC software)</td>
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<td>LAZERMaster LZM-100 (with dual theta motors)</td>
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<td>All-in-one Computer (includes keyboard and mouse, monitor stand for mounting all-in-one computer. SpliceLab software pre-installed.) (required)</td>
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<td>End-View Observation &amp; Alignment Option</td>
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<td>Side Table Work Surface Option (Work surface to provide additional area for accessories such as fiber preparation equipment. May be attached to the left or right side of the LZM-100 or both. Folds down against the side of the LZM-100 chassis when not needed or to allow easy movement through narrow doorways.)</td>
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## Specifications

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<th>Fiber Heating and Splicing Method</th>
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<td>CO₂ Laser Power</td>
<td>30 W standard (Lasers expected lifetime is 20,000 hrs / 2.3 years before service is required.)</td>
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**Laser Safety Features**
- Metal cover with interlock, class 1 enclosure
- Automatic actuation of safety shutter
- Automatic laser power cutoff
- Triple redundancy

**Laser Beam Control**
- Proprietary feedback system assures laser beam power stability
- Laser beam size and shape may be customized to meet specific user requirements

**Typical Splice Loss**
- 0.02 dB for SMF (ITU-T G.652)

**Typical Splice Strength**
- >400 kpsi for SMF (ITU-T G.652) using appropriate fiber preparation equipment

**Visible Field of View**
- 2.5 mm (H) X 2.0 mm (W)

**Fiber Observation Methods**
- PAS (Profile Alignment System) via transverse fiber observation.
- WSI (Warm Splice Image) and WTI (Warm Taper Image)
- End-view observation (Optional)

**Applicable Fiber Diameter**
- 80 μm to 2300 μm for automatic alignment by PAS
- Larger diameter fibers may be aligned manually or by power meter feedback

**V-Groove Clamping System**
- Infinitely variable from 80 μm up to 2300 μm
- Clamping bare fiber or fiber coating
- Patented "split V-groove" system

**Fiber Handling**
- Fujikura FSM-100, FSM-45 and FSM-40 splicer fiber holders
- Custom fixtures to meet specific customer requirements

**Alignment Methods**
- PAS (Profile Alignment System, automatic alignment by camera observation)
- Manual
- Other methods by PC control
- Power meter feedback via GPIB (Optional)
- End-view (Optional)

**XY Alignment Resolution**
- 0.1 μm

**Maximum Z Travel Length**
- 150 mm (both left and right Z units)

**Z Travel Resolution**
- 0.125 μm theoretical

**Maximum Taper Length**
- 130 mm

**Maximum Taper Ratio**
- 10:1 standard (for uniform direction, one-pass tapering)
- Dual direction tapering offers greatly increased taper ratios, as does tapering with more than one tapering pass.

**Maximum Taper Speed**
- 1 mm/sec standard (Optional 5 mm/sec)

**Splicing Control**
- Internal firmware or operation by PC

**Fiber Tapering & Glass Shaping Control**
- Internal firmware or operation by PC

**PC Control**
- SpliceLab software will be provided
- Complete command set for PC control

**PC Option**
- An all-in-one computer is required. Use of the SpliceLab software on a PC provides finer control and additional features compared to the LZM-100 internal firmware. Using another software application, the PC interface also allows for advanced maintenance functions such as the ability to confirm laser beam alignment, and align if required.

**Interface Ports**
- USB 2.0 (For PC communications, data and image download, etc.)
- GPIB (Optional, for power meter feedback)

**Electrical Power**
- 100-240 VAC

**Operating/Storage Conditions**
- +10° to +30°C / +5° to +40°C

**Rotation Motors**
- Optional: Provides theta rotational motion for PM alignment for both left and right sides

**PM Fiber Alignment Methods**
- PAS (For PANDA and other PM fibers)
- IPA (Interrelation Profile Alignment, applicable to almost all PM fibers. Three distinct IPA methods available.)
- End-view (Optional)
- Power meter feedback (Requires polarizer and analyzer, as well as optional GPIB interface)
- Manual
- Other methods by PC control

**End-View Observation & Alignment**
- Optional internal end-view system

Preliminary Specifications, subject to revision and refinement