# TriMode™ Probe Family

## P7700 Series TriMode Probes Datasheet



The P7700 Series TriMode probes provide the highest probe fidelity available for real-time oscilloscopes. In addition, with connectivity innovations such as solder down tips with the probe's input buffer mounted only a few millimeters from the end of the tip, the P7700 series probes provide unmatched usability for connecting to today's most challenging electronic designs.

### Key features

- High bandwidth for signal fidelity

    - 20 GHz P7720
    - 16 GHz P7716
    - 13 GHz P7713
    - 8 GHz P7708

- Minimal device impact

    - Thin and flexible solder tips
    - Lightweight and flexible probe cable
    - Active buffer tip design for low probe loading

- Easy to connect TekFlex™ Connector technology

    - Pinch-to-Open accessory connector
    - Versatile Connectivity - solder-down tips, optional browser for handheld or fixtured probing, and coaxial input (SMA adapter)
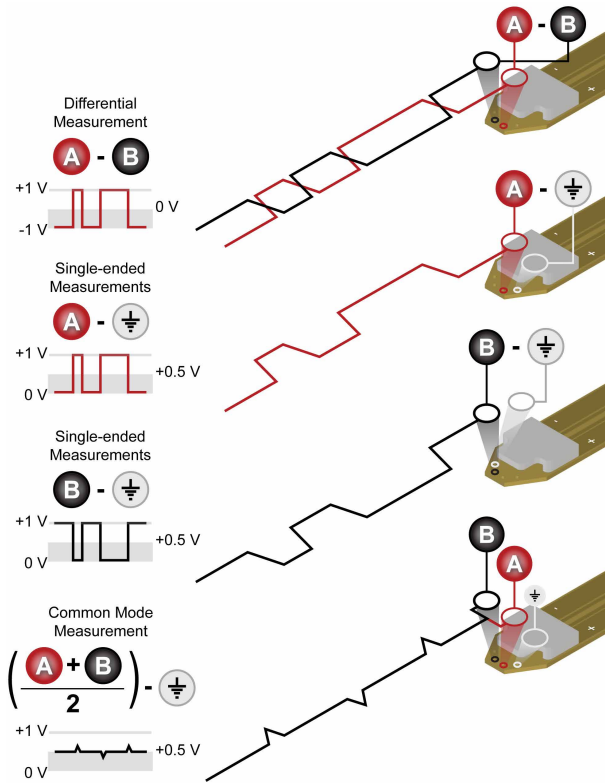
- Full Bandwidth to 20 GHz
- Probe cable and solder-down tips operate over an extended temperature range
- Probe and tip specific S-parameters

    - Full AC calibration of the probe and tip's signal path based upon unique s-parameter models
    - Unique DSP filters created for each probe and tip

- TekConnect® interface for oscilloscope/probe control and usability

    - Direct control via probe buttons or from the oscilloscope's menus
    - Automated control of probe settings via the oscilloscope
    - Automatic recognition of the probe and tip when attached to the oscilloscope

### Applications

- DDR/LPDDR memory verification
- High speed serial bus debugging
- MIPI D-PHY/C-PHY/M-PHY conformance tests
- HDMI and DisplayPort compliance tests
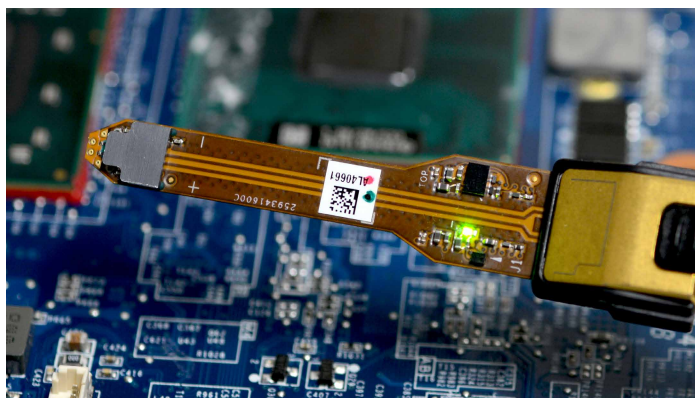
### P7700 Series TriMode Probes

With TriMode probing one probe setup makes differential, single ended, and common mode measurements accurately. This unique capability allows you to work more effectively and efficiently, switching between differential, single ended and common mode measurements without moving the probe's connection points.

Differential
Measurement

$A - B$

+1 V
-1 V
0 V

Single-ended
Measurements

$A - \perp$

+1 V
0 V
+0.5 V

Single-ended
Measurements

$B - \perp$

+1 V
0 V
+0.5 V

Common Mode
Measurement

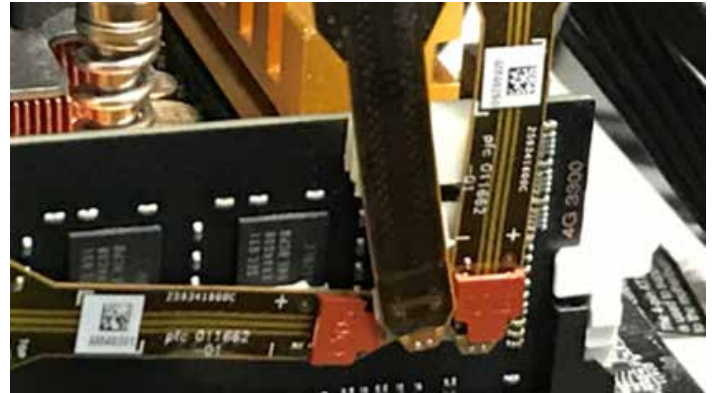$$\left( \frac{A + B}{2} \right) - \perp$$

+1 V
0 V
+0.5 V

## TekFlex connector technology

The P7700 Series TriMode probes use the new TekFlex connector technology that combines a high speed signal path with power and communication support for an active buffer tip in a single, easy to connect accessory connector. The TekFlex connector has a pinch-to-open design that when open requires minimal force to attach an accessory tip. When the TekFlex connector is closed, it provides a secure connection to the accessory to avoid accidental disconnections.

With the TekFlex connector, the P7700 series probes offer a set of active probe tips with the probe's buffer amplifier only millimeters from the input connections. The short signal path enabled with the active tips provides high fidelity and a high impedance input. It also minimizes signal loss, capacitance, and additive noise.
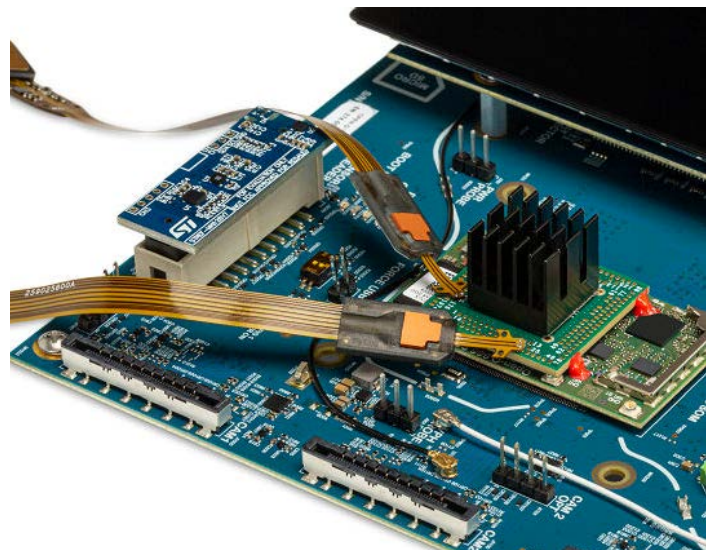


*P77STFLXA solder down, flex-circuit accessory with an active buffer amplifier on its tip.*



*P77STFLXB solder down, flex-circuit accessory provides a probing solution for DDR4 and LPDDR4 electrical validation when used with Nexus XH Series Interposers.*



*P77STCABL solder down accessory with a long reach, flexible cable combined with an active buffer amplifier on the tip.*



*P77STFLRB Solder down, flex-circuit accessory provides improved signal access and mechanical strain relief for DDR and LPDDR electrical validation with Nexus XH interposers.*
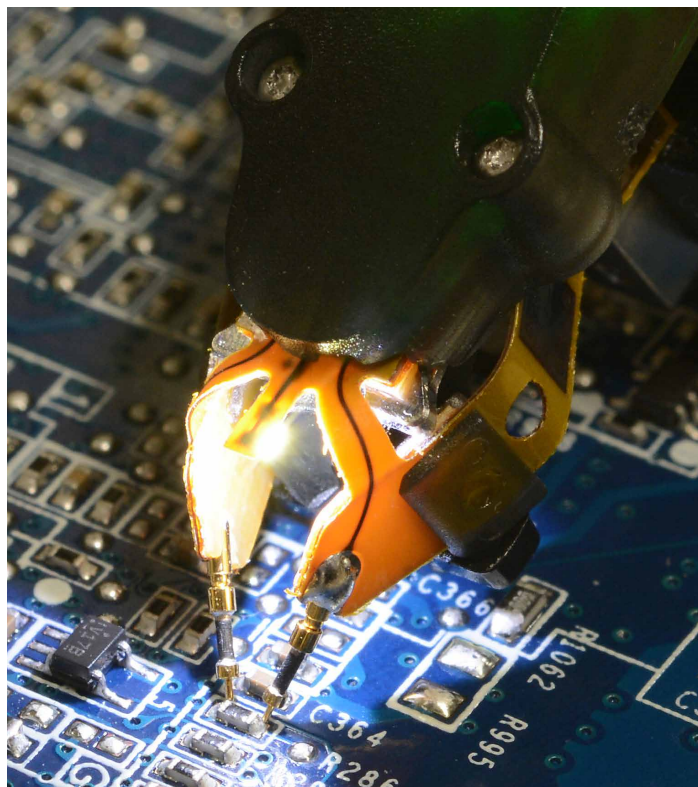
## Browser accessory for handheld probing

When you need to make a quick measurement or debug a problem, the P7700 series browser accessory provides a simple to use option. With precision engineered tips that are easy to see and position accurately, the P77BRWSR handheld browser accessory enables hand or fixtured probing and is ideal for probing fine pitch components and differential traces with spacing as narrow as 0.2 mm (.008 in).



*P77BRWSR handheld browser accessory enables hand or fixtured probing with adjustable tip spacing. Up to 16 GHz bandwidth.*

The browser's tips have a full range of compliance and are adjustable in spacing using a convenient thumb wheel. A headlight on the tip enhances visibility of the probe point and can be switched on and off as needed. The browser tips are constructed of high strength BeCu and super-ceramic resistors (patent pending pin technology). With 16 GHz bandwidth performance, the P77BRWSR handheld browser accessory enables hand or fixtured probing with signal fidelity and convenience.
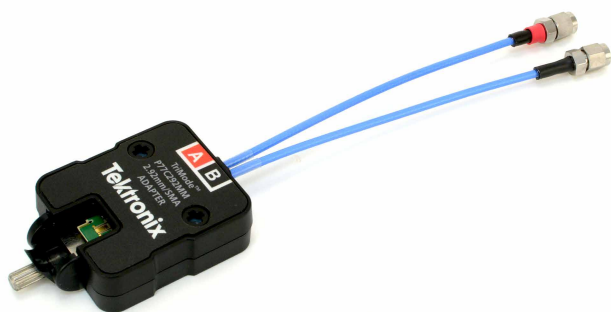


*Headlight on P77BRWSR handheld browser accessory enables hand or fixtured probing and enhances visibility of the probe point.*

## Coaxial input (SMA) adapter

RF/coaxial connectors, such as SMA, are often found on test fixtures or on prototype board designs. Attaching a P7700 series probe to these on-board connectors is easy with the SMA adapter. The P77C292MM adapter allows you to connect to 2.92 mm, 3.5 mm or SMA connectors with full bandwidth and low noise. The P77C292MM adapter includes TriMode functionality enabling differential, single ended, and common mode measurements.

For compliance testing of the HDMI and DisplayPort standards, the P77C292MM and P7700 series probes are fully supported in Tektronix automated measurement suites for these standards. With the P77C292MM adapter attached, a P7700 series probe can provide the DC termination voltage required by HDMI and other high-speed communication standards. The termination voltage can be set manually or automatically using voltage sense circuitry in the P7700 probe and covers a range of ±4 V.

*P77C292MM SMA/2.92mm adapter for connecting to coaxial connectors.*

## Automatic probe and tip identification and AC calibration

The P7700 Series probes automatically identify the accessory connected to the probe. When the probe and tip are attached to an oscilloscope, they are recognized and a unique DSP filter providing a calibrated response is enabled. All calibration and filter calculation is based upon a unique set of s-parameters stored in the probe and tip.

These unique filters also de-embed probe parasitics from the measurement. Creating probe and tip specific filters is critical as bandwidths increase. At high bandwidth, small variations in the signal path can lead to significant variation in frequency response which cannot be corrected using a nominal DSP filter.

The P77BRWSR accessory extends the calibration further. As the spacing of the browser's tips is adjusted, the change in opening is automatically recognized by the probe and oscilloscope. Using the value of the tip spacing, a width specific DSP filter is used to calibrate the probe's response.
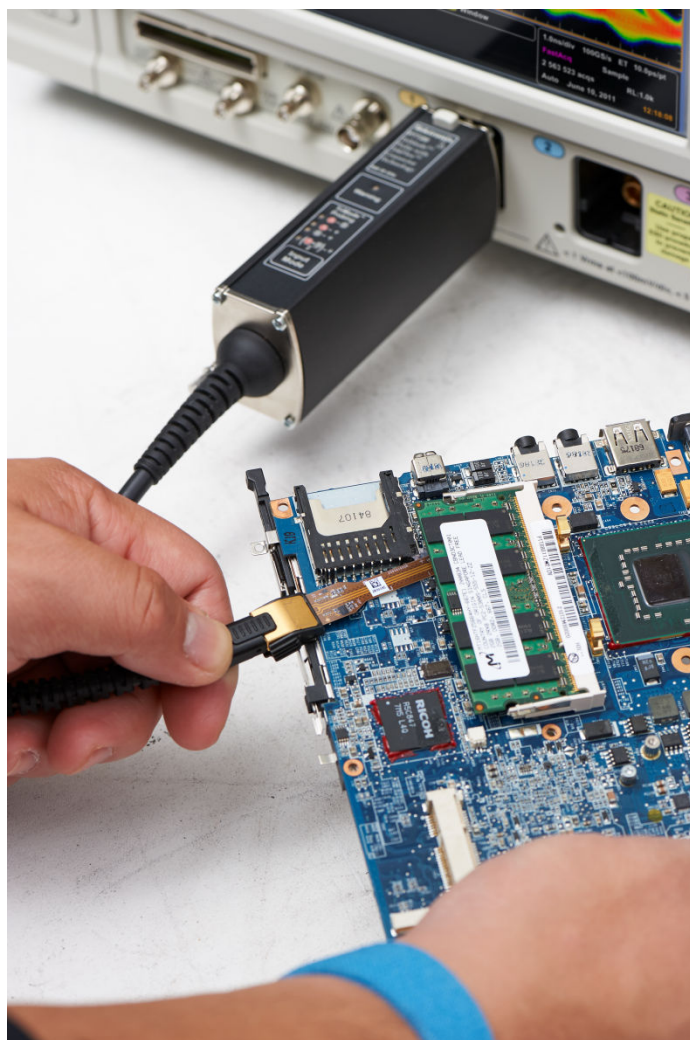
The automatic recognition of the probe and tips and the automatic filter selection eliminates the risk of manually selecting the wrong filter and improves your efficiency.

### Signal fidelity

You can be confident in the signal fidelity of your measurements. The innovative new probe design uses SiGe technology to provide the bandwidth and fidelity needed today and in the future.

The P7700 Series probe architecture provides:

- An active buffer amplifier on the tips with the solder-in tips probe input only 3.2 mm from the input
- Excellent step response and low insertion loss up to 20 GHz
- Low-DUT loading with 100 kΩ (DC) and 0.4 pF (AC) performance
- High CMRR
- Low noise



**Performance you can count on**

Depend upon Tektronix to provide you with performance you can count on. In addition to industry leading service and support, these probes are backed by a one year warranty.

# Specifications

Specifications are typical unless noted otherwise.

All specifications apply to all models unless noted otherwise.

## P7700 Series TriMode probe models

| | P7720 | | | P7716 | | P7713 | P7708 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | P77STFLXA, P77STCABL, P77C292MM, P77STFLRA, P77HTFLRA | P77STFLXB, P77STLRCB | P77BRWSR, P77STFLRB, P77HTFLRB | P77STFLXA, P77STCABL, P77C292MM, P77BRWSR, P77STFLRB, P77HTFLRB, P77STFLRA, P77HTFLRA | P77STFLXB, P77STLRCB | P77STFLXA, P77STFLXB, P77STCABL, P77C292MM, P77BRWSR, P77STLRCB, P77STFLRB, P77HTFLRB, P77STFLRA, P77HTFLRA | P77STFLXA, P77STFLXB, P77STCABL, P77C292MM, P77BRWSR, P77STLRCB, P77STFLRB, P77HTFLRB, P77STFLRA, P77HTFLRA |
| Bandwidth (typical) | 20 GHz<br><br>Differential and single ended modes only. Bandwidth is 19 GHz in the common mode setting. | 15 GHz | 16 GHz | 16 GHz | 15 GHz | 13 GHz | 8 GHz |
| Rise time (10-90%) | 27 ps<br><br>Rise times in common mode setting: 29 ps (10 - 90%), 19 ps (20 - 80%). | 36 ps | 32 ps | 32 ps | 36 ps | 40 ps | 55 ps |
| Rise time (20-80%) | 18 ps | 24 ps | 24 ps | 24 ps | 24 ps | 28 ps | 35 ps |

## Electrical characteristics

### Attenuation

| | |
|---|---|
| **Solder-in tips** | 4x |
| **Browser** | 10x |
| **Coaxial input (SMA) adapter** | 0.7x/1.3x/2.7x/5x/10x |

### Input range

**Solder-in tips**

| Single-ended | Differential |
|---|---|
| 2.5 $V_{pp}$ | 5.0 $V_{pp}$ |

**Browser**

| Single-ended | Differential |
|---|---|
| 6.0 $V_{pp}$ | 12.0 $V_{pp}$ |

| SMA adapter | Single-ended | Differential |
|---|---|---|
| | 1.2 V$_{pp}$ | 2.0 V$_{pp}$ |

**Operating voltage window**

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|---|---|
| Solder-in tips | ±5.25 V |
| Browser | ±10 V |
| SMA adapter | ±4 V |

**Offset voltage range**

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|---|---|
| Solder-in tips | -4 V to +4 V |
| Browser | -10 V to +10 V |
| SMA adapter | -4 V to +4 V |

**SMA adapter termination voltage range**    -4 V to +4 V

**DC gain accuracy**    ±2.0%

**DC input resistance, differential**

| | |
|---|---|
| Solder-in tips | 100 kΩ |
| Browser | 150 kΩ |
| SMA adapter | 100 Ω |

**Noise**

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|---|---|
| P77STFLXA, P77STFLXB, P77STCABL, and P77STLRCB tips | < 32 nV/rt-Hz |
| P77STFLRB, P77HTFLRB, P77STFLRA, and P77HTFLRA | < 35 nV/rt-Hz |
| Browser | < 80 nV/rt-Hz |
| SMA adapter | < 11 nV/rt-Hz |

**Low frequency input capacitance (differential, typical)**

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|---|---|
| P77STFLXA, P77STFLXB, P77STCABL, and P77STLRCB tips | 0.4 pF |
| P77STFLRB and P77HTFLRB | 0.7 pF |
| P77STFLRA and P77HTFLRA | 0.44 pF |
| Browser | 0.23 pF @ 50 mil spacing |

0.22 pF @ 200 mil spacing

**CMRR/DMRR, typical**

| Frequency range | Min. CMRR/DMRR |
|---|---|
| ≤ 50 MHz | 34 dB |
| > 50 MHz, ≤ 800 MHz | 24 dB |
| > 800 MHz, ≤ 4 GHz | 14 dB |
| > 4 GHz, ≤ 10 GHz | 10 dB |

**CMRR, typical**

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|---|---|
| **DC** | 34 dB |
| **50 MHz** | 34 dB |
| **1 GHz** | 24 dB |
| **10 GHz** | 14 dB |
| **20 GHz** | 10 dB |

**Non-destructive input range, typical**

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|---|---|
| **Solder-in tips, Browser** | -15 V to +15 V |
| **SMA adapter** | -5 V to +5 V |

## Nominal characteristics

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|---|---|
| **Oscilloscope interface** | Tekconnect® |
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| **Accessory connector** | TekFlex |
| **Cable length** | 1.3 m (4.3 feet) |

**Weight**

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| **Probe cable and head** | 3.5 oz |
| **Probe (comp box, cable, head)** | 9.6 oz |

## Temperature

**Operating**

| Item | Specification |
|---|---|
| Compensation box and browser | 0 °C to 45 °C (32 °F to 113 °F) |
| P77C292MM (SMA adapter) | -35 °C to 85 °C (-31 °F to 185 °F) |
| P77STFLXA, P77STFLXB, P77STCABL, P77STLRCB tips, and probe cable | -35 °C to 105 °C (-31 °F to 221 °F) |
| P77STFLRB, P77STFLRA tips | -40 °C to 105 °C (-40 °F to 221 °F) |
| Table continued… | |

| Item | Specification |
|------|---------------|
| P77HTFLRB, P77HTFLRA tips | -40 °C to 125 °C (-40 °F to 257 °F) |

**Non-operating**

| Item | Specification |
|------|---------------|
| Compensation box and browser | -20 °C to 60 °C (-4 °F to 140 °F) |
| P77C292MM (SMA adapter) | -35 °C to 85 °C (-31 °F to 185 °F) |
| P77STFLXA, P77STFLXB, P77STCABL, P77STLRCB tips, and probe cable | -40 °C to 105 °C (-40 °F to 221 °F) |
| P77STFLRB, P77STFLRA tips | -40 °C to 105 °C (-40 °F to 221 °F) |
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## Compatibility

**Compatible oscilloscopes**

The P7700 series probes are compatible with the following oscilloscopes running Microsoft Windows 7 and Tekscope firmware version 10.6 or higher:

DPO70000C series

DSA70000C series

MSO70000C series

DPO70000D series

DSA70000D series

DPO70000DX series

MSO70000DX series

MSO70000SX series

# Ordering information

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|---|---|
| **P7720** | 20 GHz TriMode probe with TekFlex connector technology |
| **P7716** | 16 GHz TriMode probe with TekFlex connector technology |
| **P7713** | 13 GHz TriMode probe with TekFlex connector technology |
| **P7708** | 8 GHz TriMode probe with TekFlex connector technology |

## Standard accessories

**All probes include the following items:** Accessory kit, Manual, solder-in tips, Magnetic cable holder for strain relief, Certificate of traceable calibration, Calibration data report, One-year warranty.

Below is the list of standard accessories:

| Component description | Part number | Quantity per assembly |
|---|---|---|
| Strap, Wrist; Adjustable, 6 Ft coiled cord | 006341505 | 1 |
| Marker Band set; Probe identification, 2 each of 5 colors | 016194800 | |
| Wire, Elect; Solid, 38 AWG, on Spool | 017010300 | |
| Adhesive tape; Double sided, 4 Inch * 0.5 Inch Strips, Quantity 4 | 020316700 | |
| Assembly; Set of 2 P77AFLXST SIA tips | 020318400 | |
| Case, Soft assembly, Case; Probe with inserts | 024002401 | |
| Bar, Cable mount magnetic | 121100300 | |
| Magnetic cable band, 270 ID | 129185700 | |
| Magnetic cable band, 450 ID | 129186700 | |
| Label, Spine P7713 soft case | 335355800 | |

## Service options

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|---|---|
| **Opt. C3** | Calibration Service 3 Years |
| **Opt. C5** | Calibration Service 5 Years |
| **Opt. D3** | Calibration Data Report 3 Years (with Opt. C3) |
| **Opt. D5** | Calibration Data Report 5 Years (with Opt. C5) |
| **Opt. G3** | Complete Care 3 Years (includes loaner, scheduled calibration, and more) |
| **Opt. G5** | Complete Care 5 Years (includes loaner, scheduled calibration, and more) |
| **Opt. R3** | Repair Service 3 Years (including warranty) |
| **Opt. R3DW** | Repair Service Coverage 3 Years (includes product warranty period). 3-year period starts at time of instrument purchase |
| **Opt. R5** | Repair Service 5 Years (including warranty) |
| **Opt. R5DW** | Repair Service Coverage 5 Years (includes product warranty period). 5-year period starts at time of instrument purchase |

## Recommended accessories

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|---|---|
| **P77STFLXA** | Active, solder-in tip with TekFlex connector technology, 20 GHz (5 tips/kit). Each probe ships with two of these solder-in tips as standard accessories. |

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| **P77STFLXB** | Active, 75 Ω solder-in tip with TekFlex connector technology for DDR4/LPDDR4 electrical validation, 15 GHz (5 tips/kit). For use with Nexus Technology XH Series Interposers. |
| **P77STCABL** | Active, coaxial cable based, solder-in tip with TekFlex connector technology, 20 GHz |
| **P77STLRCB** | Active, coaxial cable based, solder-in tip with TekFlex connector technology for DDR electrical validation, 15 GHz |
| **P77STFLRB** | Active, long reach 55 Ω Solder-in tip with TekFlex Connector technology for DDR/LPDDR electrical Validation with interposers, 16 GHz |
| **P77HTFLRB** | Active, long reach 55 Ω Solder in tip with TekFlex Connector technology for high-temperature DDR/LPDDR electrical Validation with interposers (up to 125 ℃), 16 GHz |
| **P77STFLRA** | Active, long reach solder-in tip with TekFlex connector technology, 20 GHz |
| **P77HTFLRA** | Active, long reach high temperature solder-in tip with TekFlex connector technology, 20 GHz |
| **P77BRWSR** | Browser accessory with TekFlex connector technology, 16 GHz |
| **P77C292MM** | SMA Coaxial adapter with TekFlex connector technology, 20 GHz |
| **090-0103-02** | DC probe calibration fixture |
| **P77DESKEW** | Deskew fixture. Download the instructions from tek.com; search for P77DESKEW. |
| **407-6019-xx** | Probe adapter to attach the browser to the PPM203B articulated arm/positioner |

**Replacement parts**

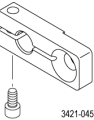| Tektronix part number | Description | |
|---|---|---|
| P77STFLXA |  | Active, solder-in tip with TekFlex connector technology, 20 GHz (5 tips/kit). Each probe ships with two of these solder-in tips as standard accessories. |
| P77STFLXB |  | Flex circuit based DDR4/LPDDR4 memory solder in tips. These tips use flex circuit material and provide soldered, multi-point connections. They support full TriMode measurement capabilities and full probe bandwidth, 15 GHz (5 tips/kit). |
| P77STCABL |  | Active, coaxial cable based, solder-in tip with TekFlex connector technology, 20 GHz |
| P77STLRCB |  | Active, coaxial cable based, solder-in tip with TekFlex technology for DDR electrical validation with interposers, 15 GHz |
| P77STFLRB |  | Active, long reach Flex circuit based, solder-in tip with TekFlex technology for DDR electrical validation with interposers |
| P77HTFLRB |  | Active, long reach Flex circuit based, solder-in tip with TekFlex technology for High-temperature DDR electrical validation with interposers (up to 125 ℃) |
| P77STFLRA |  | Active, long reach Flex circuit based, solder-in tip with TekFlex connector technology, 20 GHz |
| P77HTFLRA |  | Active, long reach high temperature Flex circuit based, solder-in tip with TekFlex connector technology, 20 GHz |

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| Tektronix part number | | Description |
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| P77BRWSR |  | Browser accessory with TekFlex connector technology, 16 GHz |
| P77C292MM |  | SMA Coaxial adapter with TekFlex connector technology, 20 GHz |
| 407-6019-xx |  | Probe adapter to attach the browser to the PPM203B articulated arm/positioner |
| 020-3162-xx |  | Replacement tip for browser accessory |
| 020-3160-xx |  | Browser pen wand |
| 020-3161-xx |  | Browser hands-free tripod |
| 020-3163-xx |  | Browser adapters |
| 121-1003-xx |  | Magnetic cable holder |
| 129-1867-xx |  | Large metal cable band |
| 129-1857-xx |  | Small metal cable band |
| 196-3436-xx |  | Browser ground lead |

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| Tektronix part number | | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 016-1948-xx |  | Color bands |
| 017-0103-xx |  | 38 AWG wire spool |
| 020-3167-xx |  | Double-sided adhesive tape |

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