

# SDA 5500 Part 2 Reverse Sweep Setup

The following procedure is a continuation of the SDA 5500 installation. The document will show you the steps to properly set the reverse channel plan and proper level for reverse sweeping the network.

NOTE: Some of these settings may be tighter than original installation specification due to this type of setup and to minimize possible corruption of carriers.

**NOTE: It is possible that Sweep insertion points may cause pre and post errors due to sweep insertion into Guard Band**

## Prerequisite

### System Requirements

SDA 5500 Firmware at least 3.2

ONX-630

Review SDA 5500 Forward Sweep Setup Part 1 version 1.2

## SDA 5500 Forward and Return Installation Diagram

- Install SDA 5500
- Test input level with ONX Channel Check

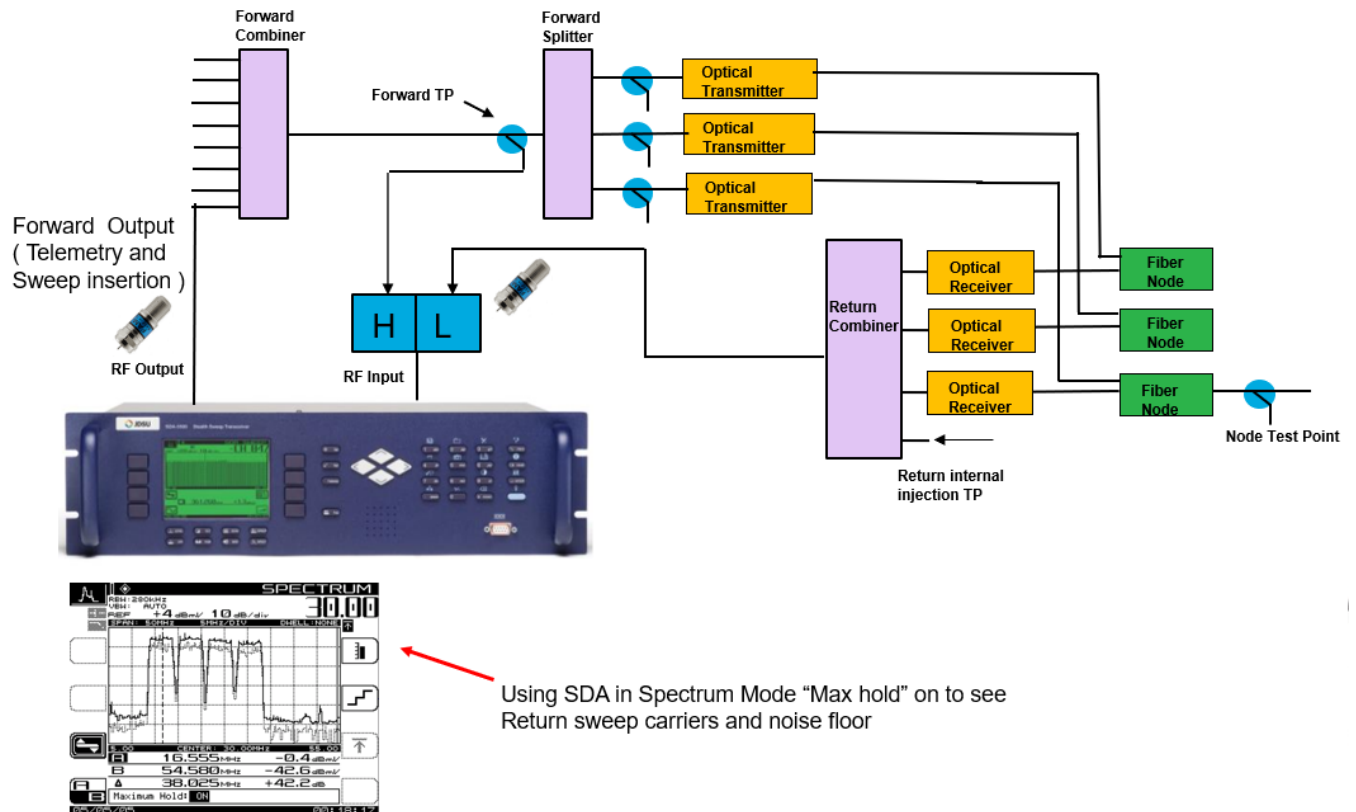


Figure 1: SDA Forward 5500 Installation

## What is the maximum amount of return receiver can I combine to the SDA 5500/5510?

- It all depends on the noise floor of the return telemetry frequency.
- Telemetry C/N needs to be at > -20 Telemetry. Optimization is typically 0 dBmV at input of the SDA 5500/5510
- With a typical noise floor of -35 dBmV @ **Return telemetry Frequency**
  - Combined noise for 8 ports is -26 dBmV based on power combining
  - Combined noise for 16 ports is -23 dBmV based on power combining

## Setting the Reverse Parameters

**Step 1:** Determine where you want to telemetry sweep points. See Figure xxx for placement.

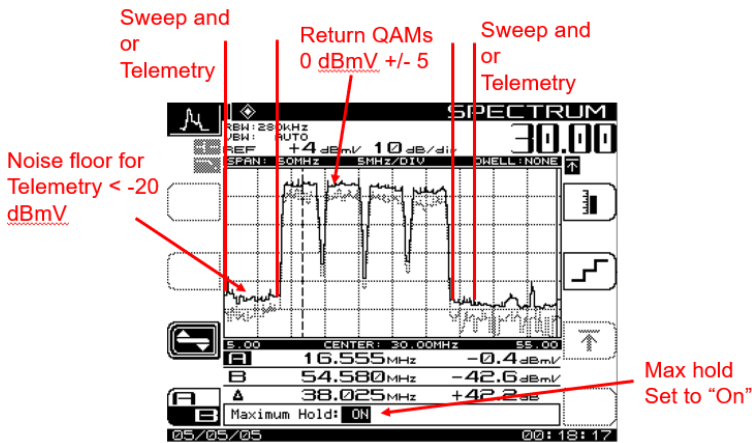


Figure 2: SDA Spectrum

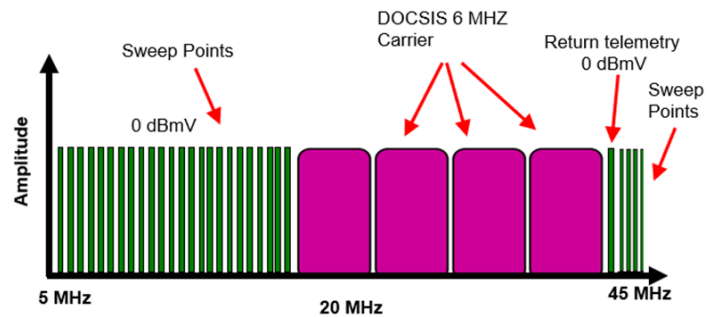
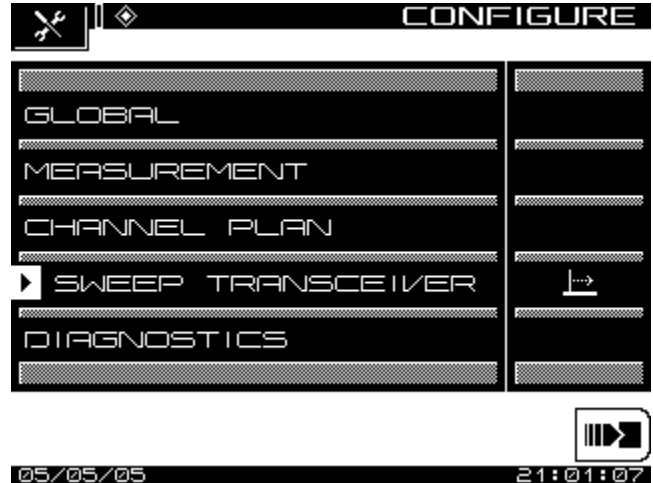


Figure 3: Return Frequency guide

**Step 2:** Press function and select Sweep Receiver on the SDA 5500 and then press the enter key.



**Step 3:** Select Mode for Transmit SDA compatible.

**Note:** It will not work properly in and any other setting.



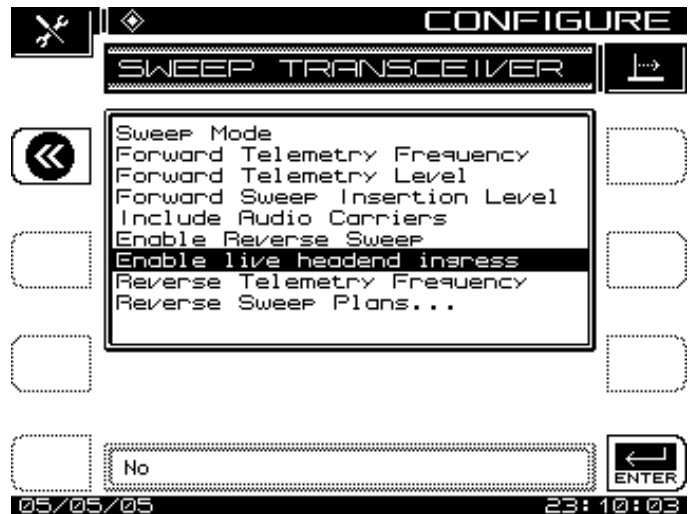
**Step 4:** Refer to Charter SDA Forward Setup guide for  
 Forward Telemetry Frequency  
 Forward Telemetry Level  
 Forward Sweep Insertion Level  
 Include Audio Carriers



**Step 5:** Enable Reverse Sweep  
Set to Yes



**Step 6:** enable live headend ingress should  
be set to NO



**Step 7: Set Reverse telemetry Frequency**  
See Figure 2 and 3

40 MHz is default setting.

I have set this to 12 for this setup

**Note: Telemetry must be 500 kHz away from the band edge of CMTS carrier**

**Note the Telemetry and sweep insertion can be at the same frequency. They will never be on at the same time.**



**Step 8: Set Reverse Sweep Plans**

Select the icon to build reverse sweep plan



**Step 9: Reverse Sweep Name**



**Step 9: Enter Frequency of the starting sweep points.**



**Step 10: enter the frequency interval**

**Note: Default is 1 MHz**  
**I recommend .25 MHz. It has much more resolution and will pick up standing waves better.**



**Step 11:** Enter the Stop Frequency  
**Note:** Default is 45 MHz.  
I recommend the this to be just before you first DOCSIS carrier,

**Example.** 16.4 MHZ is my first DOCSIS carrier 16.4 – 3.1 = 13.3

Just before or 13.0 MHZ .

Editing the channel plan you can enter the frequencies at the end of the CMTS carriers



**Step 11:** Channel Plan build is complete



**Step 11:** Press on the icon to finish editing the reverse plan.

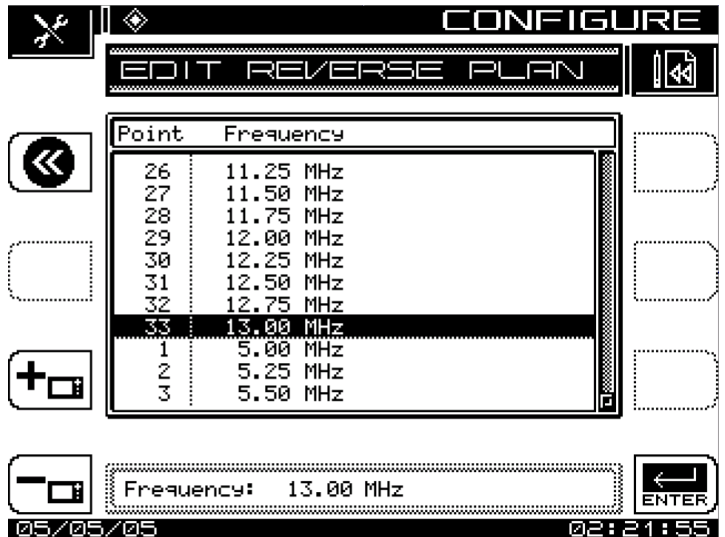


**Step 11:** Add sweep points past the last QAM carrier

Example  $35.6 \text{ MHz} + 3.1 = 38.7$

ADD 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45

Using the



There also may need to remove sweep point

carrire using  the that may interfere with other reverse services.



Step 11: Reverse Channel Plan Complete

The screenshot displays a handheld device interface for configuring a reverse channel plan. The screen is titled 'CONFIGURE' and shows the 'EDIT REVERSE PLAN' menu. A table lists the channel plan details:

| Point | Frequency |
|-------|-----------|
| 29    | 12.00 MHz |
| 30    | 12.25 MHz |
| 31    | 12.50 MHz |
| 32    | 12.75 MHz |
| 33    | 13.00 MHz |
| 34    | 40.00 MHz |
| 35    | 41.00 MHz |
| 36    | 42.00 MHz |
| 37    | 43.00 MHz |
| 38    | 44.00 MHz |
| 39    | 45.00 MHz |

At the bottom of the screen, a status bar indicates the current frequency is 45.00 MHz, the date is 05/05/05, and the time is 02:34:00. The interface includes various navigation icons such as back, forward, and enter buttons.

## Addendum Optimizing node and setting Telemetry level

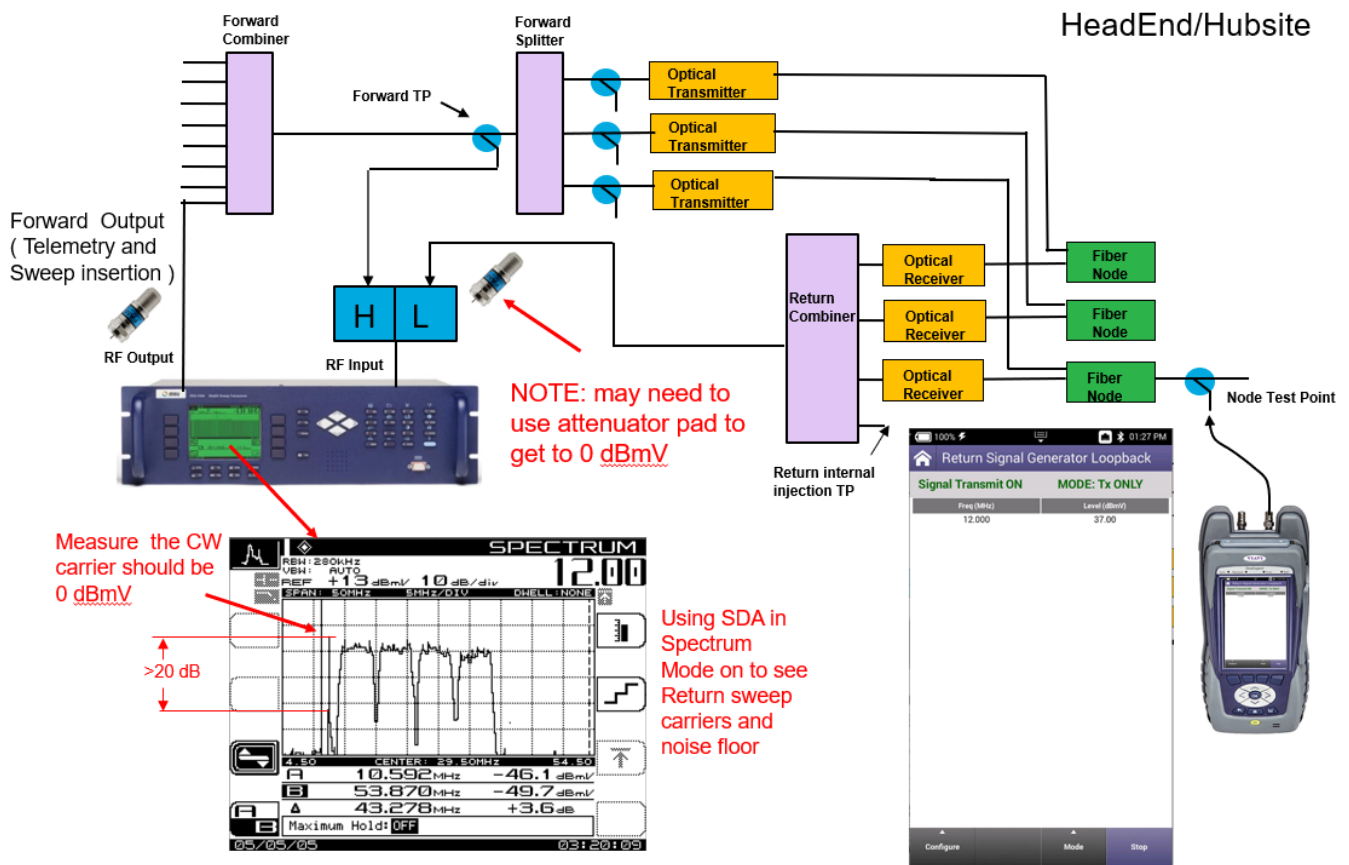
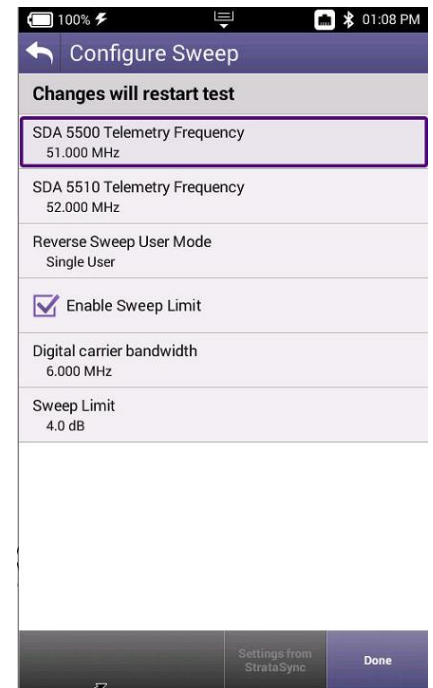
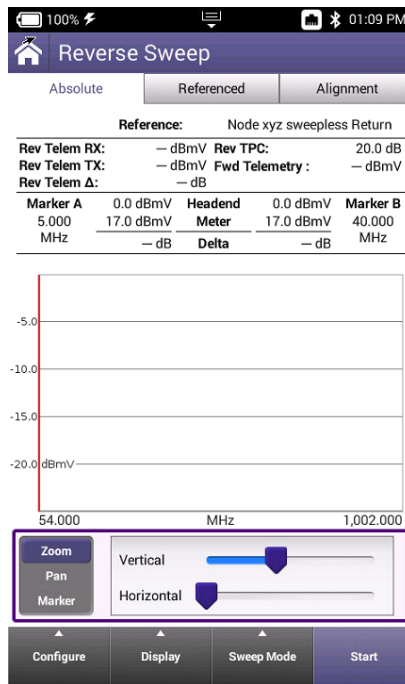
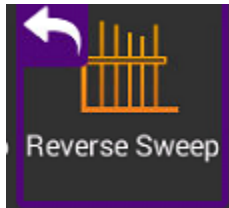


Figure 4: Return Optimization

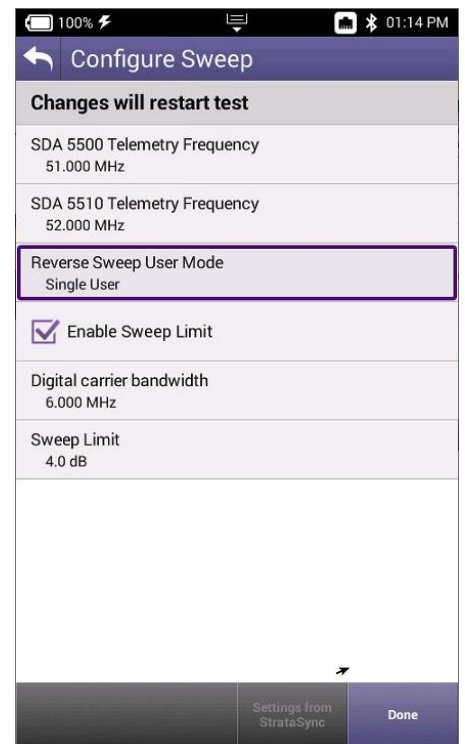
Step 1:

- Verify Return Carriers at the SDA 5500 input
- Use RSG to Inject typical level 37 dBmV CW @ **return telemetry** frequency carrier into the fiber node
- Use SDA in Spectrum to measure Level

**Step 2:** Press the return sweep on ONX then Configure

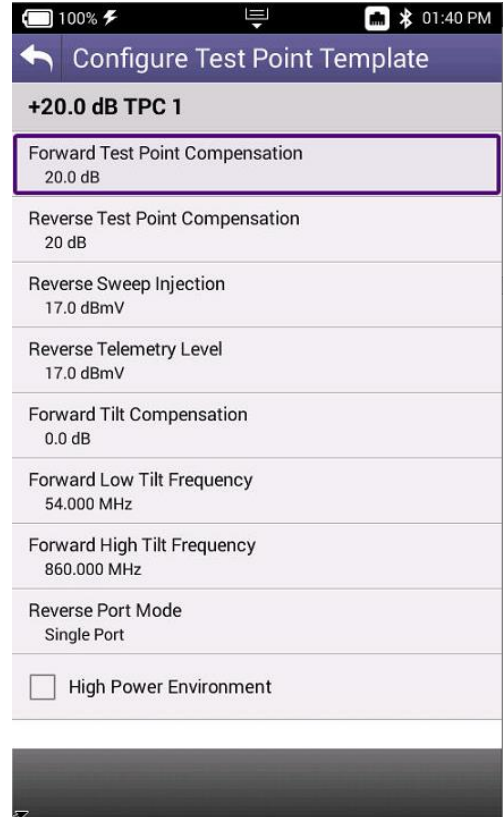


**Step 3:** Set the correct telemetry for SDA 5500 and Single user



**Step 4:** Set the correct test point such as shown:

Note: 20 Reverse Test point compensation and 17 dB injection equates to 37dBmV which is the same as optimizing the node in figure 4



**Step 5:** Reverse sweep

