

Absorptive Digital Control Attenuator 8GHz-18GHz



Note: Photo is for illustration purposes only.
Please refer to outline drawing.

Features

- Absorptive Digital Control Attenuator
- Wide Band Operation 8-18GHz
- 0.5dB LSB Steps to 127.5dB
- Single Positive Control Line Per Bit

Product Description

RFDAT0812G8A is an absorptive digital control attenuator with a frequency range of 8 to 18GHz.

The max power input is 23dBm. The insertion loss is 7dB with an attenuation range of 127.5dB.

The working temperature of this product is between - 40°C and + 85°C.

Typical Applications

- Wireless Infrastructure
- Military and Aerospace Applications
- Test Instrumentation
- Radar Systems
- 5G Wireless Communications
- Microwave Radio Systems
- TR Modules
- Research and Development
- Cellular Base Stations

Electrical Specifications ($T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$), $V_{dd} = +5\text{V}$, $V_{CTL} = 0 / +5\text{V}$

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Frequency Range		8~12			12~18		GHz
Attenuation Range	120	127		115	120		dB
Attenuation Flatness: (Referenced to Insertion Loss)		±3.0			±5.0		dB
Control Bits			8				Bit
Control Step size		0.5			0.5		dB
Insertion Loss		7	9.0		9.5	11	dB
Insertion Loss Temperature Coefficient		0.01			0.01		dB/ °C
Input VSWR (All Atten. States)		1.7	2.1		1.7	2.1	:1
Output VSWR (All Atten. States)		1.7	2.0		1.7	2.0	:1
Input 0.1 dB Compression Point (P0.1dB)		23			23		dBm
Input IP3		43			43		dBm
Switching Speed			200 Typ.				ns
Bias Current (+5V/-5V)			250/130 Max.				mA
Weight			0.08 Max.				lbs.
Impedance			50				Ohms
Input / Output Connectors			SMA-Female (Input) – SMA-Female (Output)				
Interface and Control Connector			MICRO-D15(Female)				
Package			Epoxy Sealed (Standard)				
			Hermetically Sealed (Optional)				

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Rating
Biasing Voltage	+5.5V
RF Input Power	+25dBm

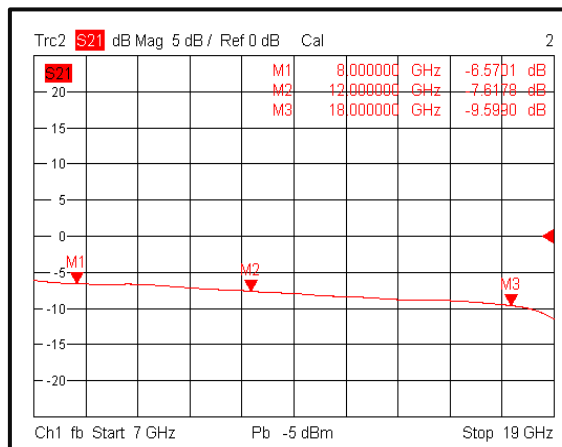
Environmental Specifications and Test Standards

Parameter	Description
Operational Temperature	-40°C to +85°C (Case Temperature)
Storage Temperature	-50°C to +105°C
Thermal Shock	-40°C → +85°C (5 Cycles / 10 hours)
**Random Vibration	MIL-STD-202G Table 214-I, Test Condition Letter C 1.5 Hours Per Axis
High Temperature Burn In	Temperature +85°C for 72 Hours
Shock	1. Weight >20g, 50g half sine wave for 11ms, Speed variation 3.44m/s 2. Weight <=20g, 100g Half sine wave for 6ms, Speed variation 3.75m/s 3. Total 18 times (6 directions, 3 repetitions per direction).
Altitude	Standard: 30,000 Ft (Epoxy Sealed Controlled Environment) Optional: Hermetically Sealed (60,000 ft. 1.0 PSI min)
Hermetically Sealed (Optional)	MIL-STD-883 (For Hermetically Sealed Units)

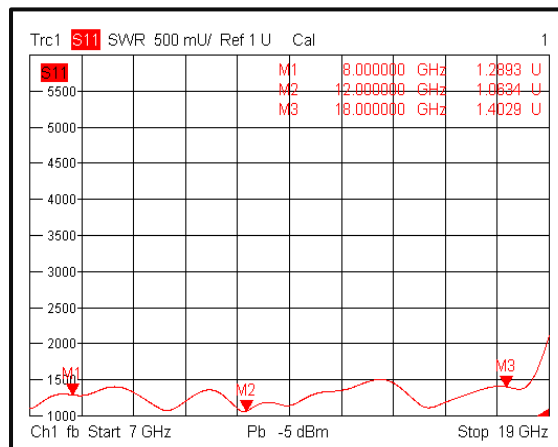
**For vibration testing details please see additional information section.

Typical Performance Plots

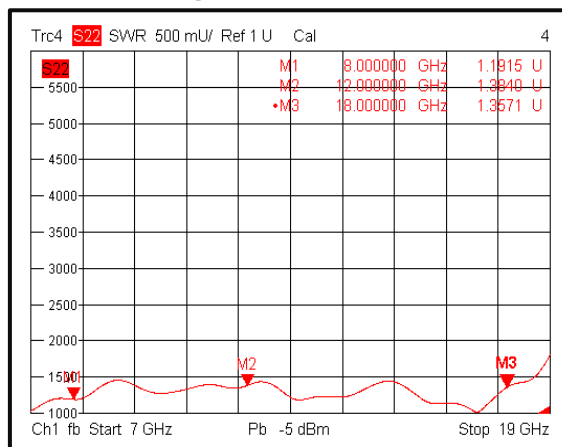
Insertion Loss @+25°C



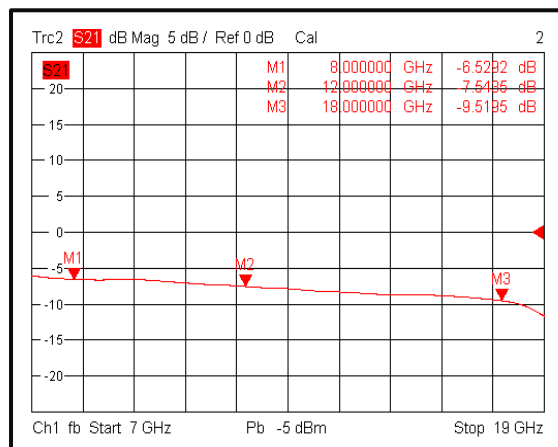
Input VSWR @+25°C



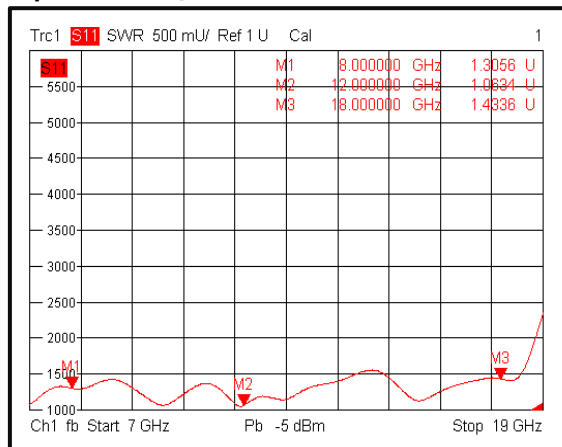
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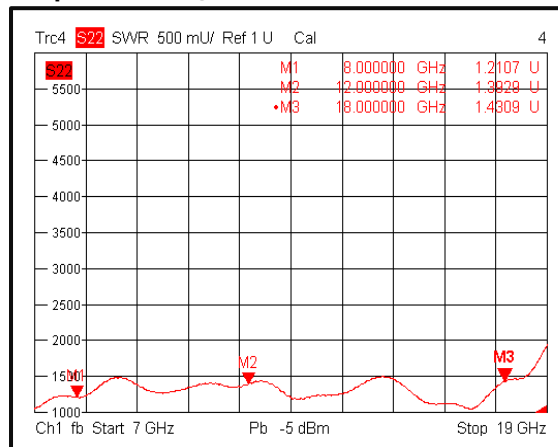
Insertion Loss @-40°C



Input VSWR @-40°C

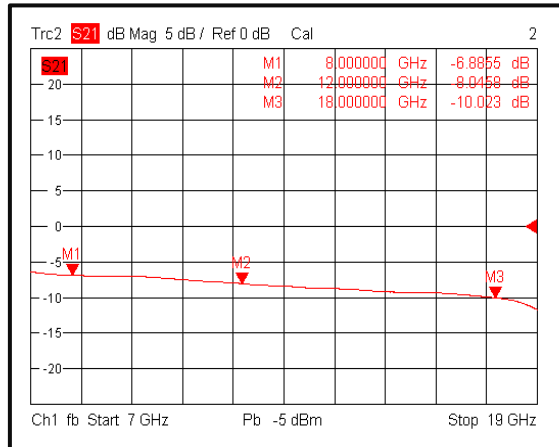


Output VSWR @-40°C

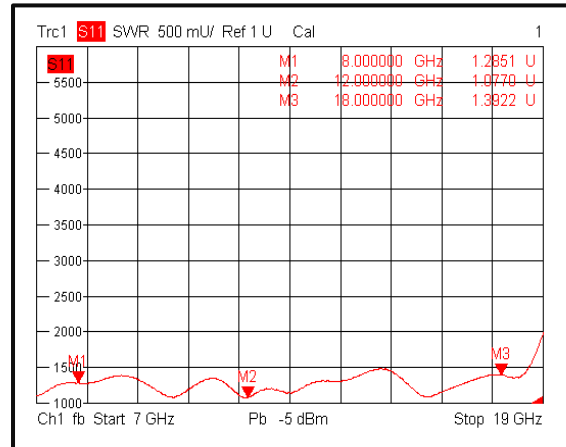


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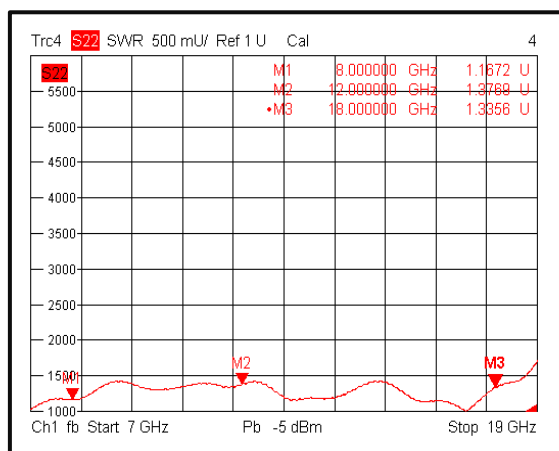
Insertion Loss @+85°C



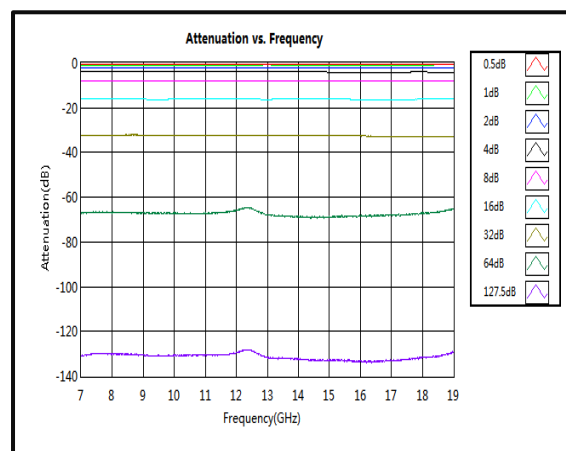
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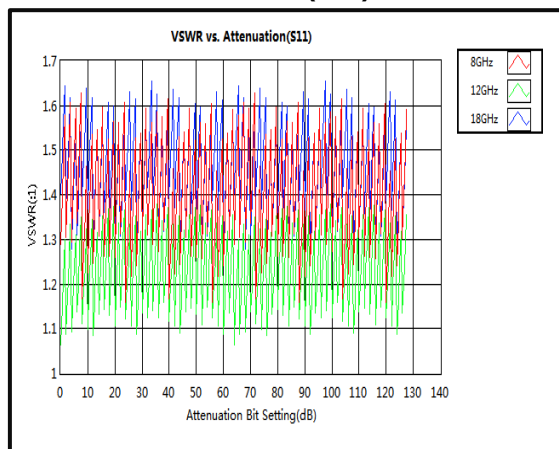
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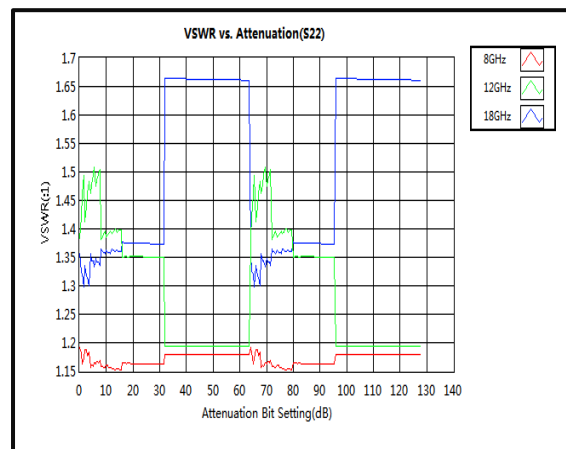
Attenuation vs. Frequency



VSWR vs. Attenuation (S11)

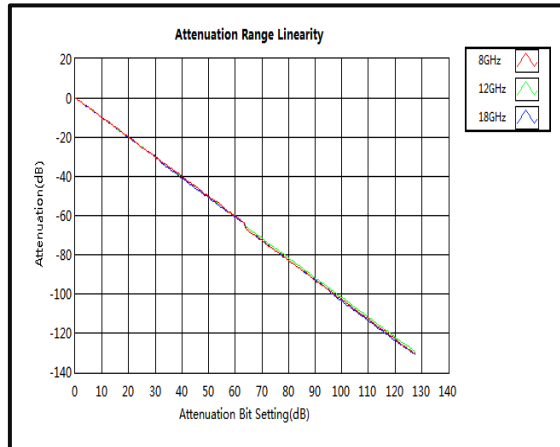


VSWR vs. Attenuation (S22)

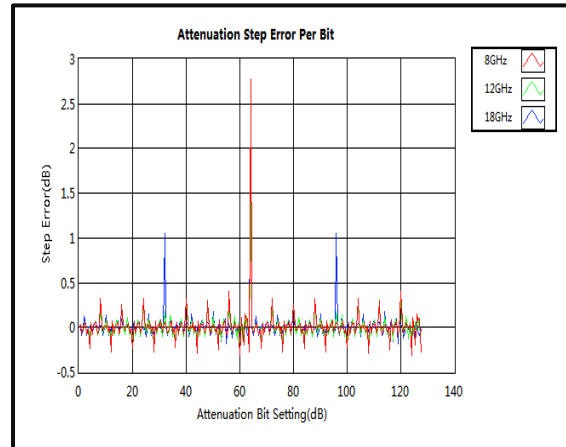


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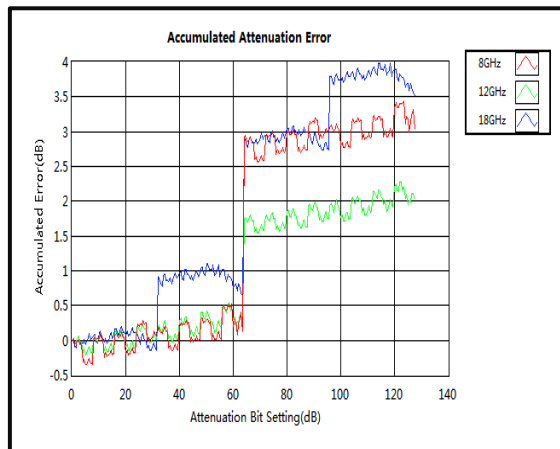
Attenuation Range Linearity



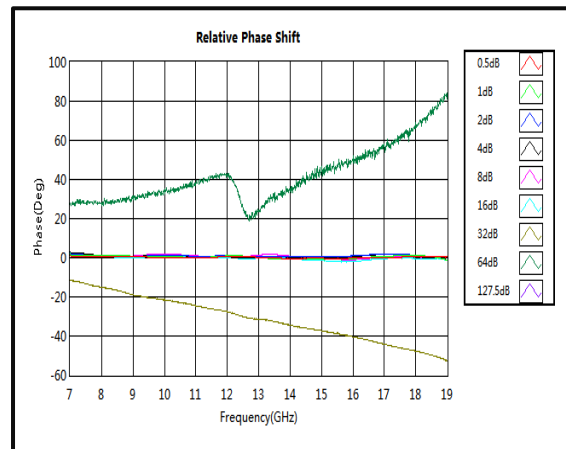
Attenuation Step Error Per Bit (dB)



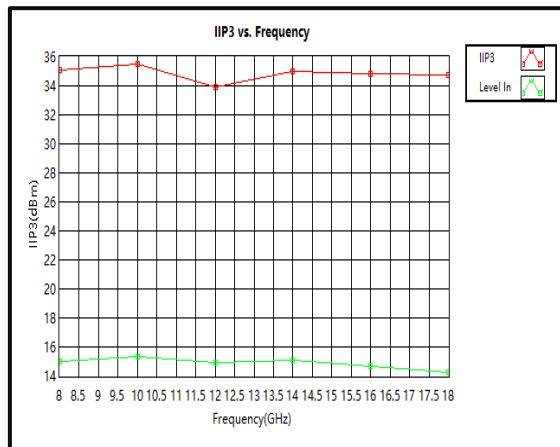
Accumulated Attenuation Error (dB)



Relative Phase Shift



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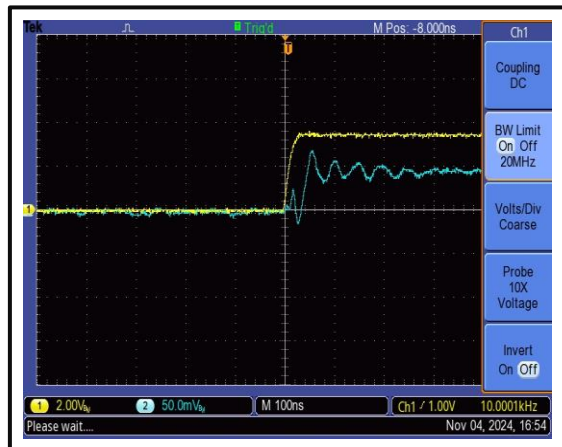


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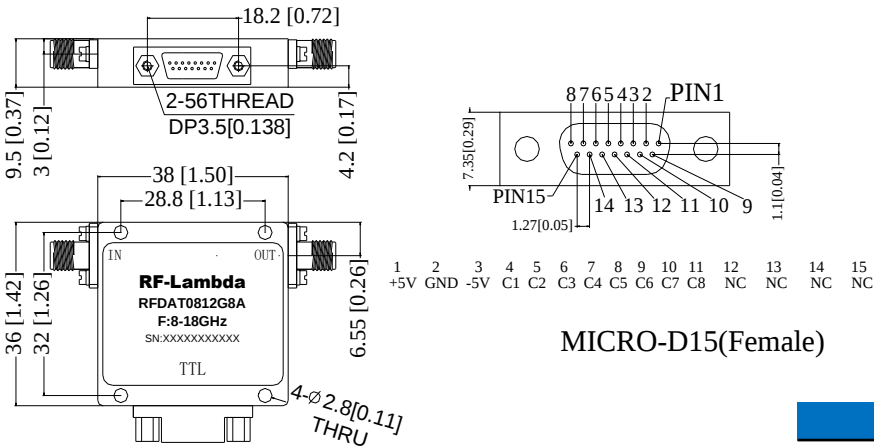


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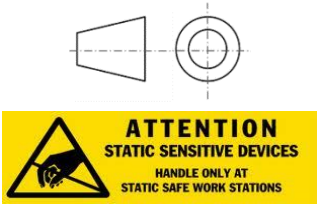
Outline Drawing



Truth Table

TTL Control Voltage THRESHOLD								Low(0)=0~0.8V
								High(1)=2.8~5V
Control Input TTL								Attenuation State
C8	C7	C6	C5	C4	C3	C2	C1	
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Reference IL
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0.5dB
1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1dB
1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	2dB
1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	4dB
1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	8dB
1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	16dB
1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	32dB
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	64dB
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	127.5dB

- Notes:
- Package Material: Aluminum.
 - Finish: Gold Plated.
 - All dimensions are in millimeters [inches].
 - Housing Tolerances ±0.1 [0.004] unless otherwise specified.
 - Standard torque wrench must be used to secure RF connectors.



Additional Information

Documentation	Webpage
ESD Policy	https://rflambda.com/pdf/rflambda_esd_control.pdf
Connector Torque Specifications	https://www.rflambda.com/pdf/Torque_Specifications.pdf
Random Vibration Test Standard	https://www.rflambda.com/pdf/rflambda_random_vibration_MIL-STD-202G.pdf

Ordering Information

Part Number	Modification	Description
RFDAT0812G8A	Standard	8GHz-18GHz Digital Control Attenuator

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