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Precision Fixed Attenuator

BW-N20W50+

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50Ω 50 W 20 dB DC to 18 GHz N-Male to N-Female

THE BIG DEAL

- DC to 18 GHz
- High Power Handling, 50 W
- Excellent VSWR, 1.30:1 Typ.
- Passivated Stainless Steel N-Type Connectors



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APPLICATIONS

- Impedance Matching
- Instrumentation
- Test Setups
- High Power Measurements

Model No.	BW-N20W50+
Case Style	GH1788
Connectors	N-Male to N-Female

+RoHS Compliant

The +Suffix identifies RoHS Compliance.
See our website for methodologies and qualifications

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The BW-N20W50+ 20 dB precision fixed attenuator achieves great flatness versus frequency from DC to 18 GHz and handles high power signals up to 50 W. High power handling, excellent VSWR, and precise performance make the BW-N20W50+ ideal for applications including high power measurement, improving matching, test setups, and other functions demanding accurate attenuation and high power capability.

KEY FEATURES

Feature	Advantages
Wide Frequency Range	DC to 18 GHz frequency range gives the BW-N20W50+ attenuator versatile application functionality.
Excellent VSWR, 1.30 Typ.	Well-matched for 50Ω systems; reduces effects of phase variation.
Flat Attenuation	Accurate performance within ±0.5 dB over the full frequency range.
Rugged Construction	Excellent durability for a long lifetime of use.
Heat Dissipation Fins	Designed to dissipate heat efficiently, the BW-N20W50+ requires no external cooling equipment.
Compact Size (2.65" x 2.65" x 4.5")	Outstanding performance capability and power handling without prohibitive space constraints.

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ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS AT +25°C

Parameter	Condition (GHz)	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Frequency Range		DC		18	GHz
Attenuation	DC - 18	19.0	20.0	21.0	dB
VSWR	IN	DC - 18		1.45	
	OUT	DC - 18		1.5	:1
Input Power ¹	DC - 18			50	W

1. Max. power at +25°C ambient, derate linearly to 20 W at +100°C. Peak power 500 W Max. 5 µsec. pulse width, 100 Hz PRF, input N-Male. 5 W max. at N-Female.

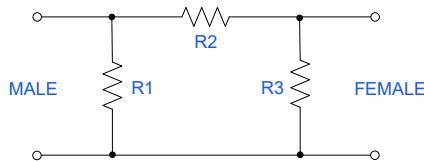
ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS²

Parameter	Ratings
Operating Temperature ³	-55°C to +100°C
Storage Temperature	-55°C to +100°C

2. Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded.

3. +85°C with output into open or short.

ELECTRICAL SCHEMATIC



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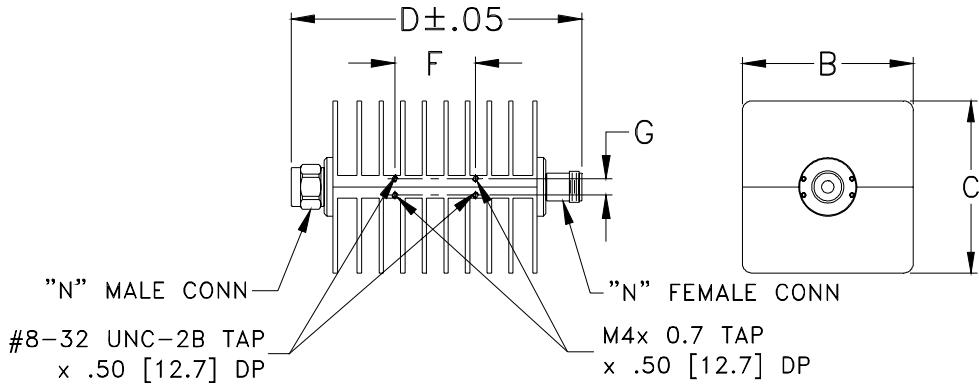
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OUTLINE DRAWING



OUTLINE DIMENSIONS (Inch mm)

B	C	D	E	F	G	wt.
2.65	2.65	4.50	--	1.25	.25	grams
67.31	67.31	114.30	--	31.75	6.35	720.0

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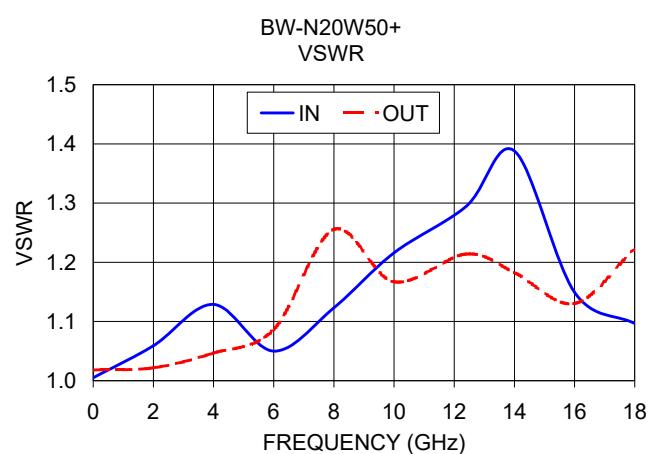
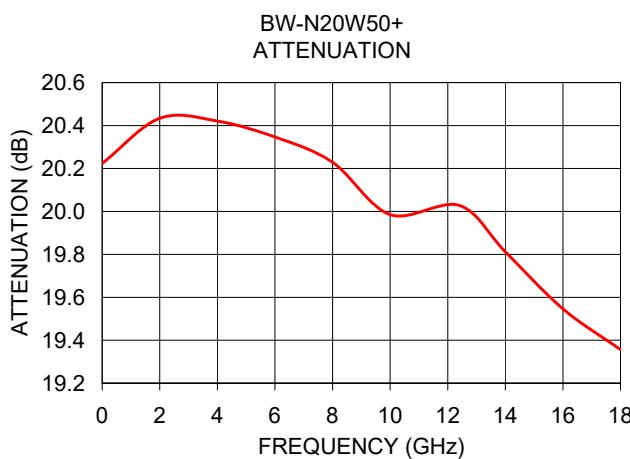
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TYPICAL PERFORMANCE DATA AND CHARTS

Frequency (GHz)	Attenuation (dB)	VSWR (:1)	
		IN	OUT
0.01	20.22	1.01	1.02
2.0	20.43	1.06	1.02
4.0	20.42	1.13	1.05
6.0	20.35	1.05	1.09
8.0	20.23	1.12	1.26
10.0	19.99	1.22	1.17
12.4	20.03	1.29	1.21
14.0	19.81	1.39	1.18
16.0	19.55	1.15	1.13
18.0	19.36	1.10	1.22



NOTES

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