COAXIAL

Fixed Attenuator

FW-3A+

50Ω Up to 2 W DC to 12000 MHz 3 dB Attenuation

THE BIG DEAL

- Wideband Coverage, DC to 12000 MHz
- Up to 2 Watt Power Handling
- Rugged Unibody Construction
- Off-the-shelf Availability
- Very Low Cost

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Model No.	FW-3A+
Case Style	FF704
Connectors	SMA

+RoHS Compliant
The +Suffix identifies RoHS Compliance. See our web site for RoHS Compliance methodologies and qualifications

APPLICATIONS

- Impedance Matching
- Signal Level Adjustment

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Mini-Circuits' FW-A series are fixed attenuators from DC to 12000 MHz frequency range with excellent flatness in attenuation. FW-A series is available with nominal attenuation of 1 to 20 dB. This attenuator series support testing and measurement application. Precise performance, excellent VSWR and rugged unibody construction makes the model ideal solution for systems requiring precise attenuation across very wide frequency range.

KEY FEATURES

Feature	Advantages
Rugged Construction	Excellent durability for a long lifetime of use
Up to 2 Watt Power Handling	Good power handling
Excellent VSWR	Well-matched for 50 Ω systems
Flat Attenuation	Improved system calibration and repeatability

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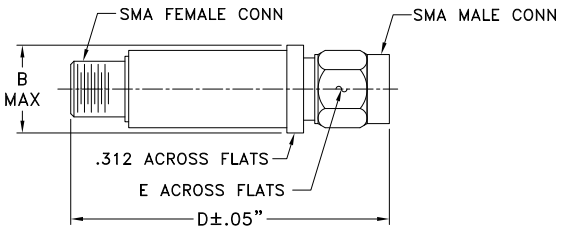
MAXIMUM RATINGS

Operating Temperature	-40°C to 85°C
Storage Temperature	-55°C to 100°C

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

OUTLINE DRAWING

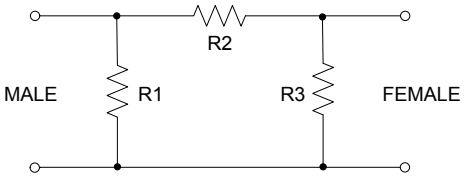


OUTLINE DIMENSIONS (Inch / mm)

B	D	E	wt
.410	1.43	.312	grams
10.41	36.32	7.92	10.0

Note: Please refer to case style drawing for details

ELECTRICAL SCHEMATIC



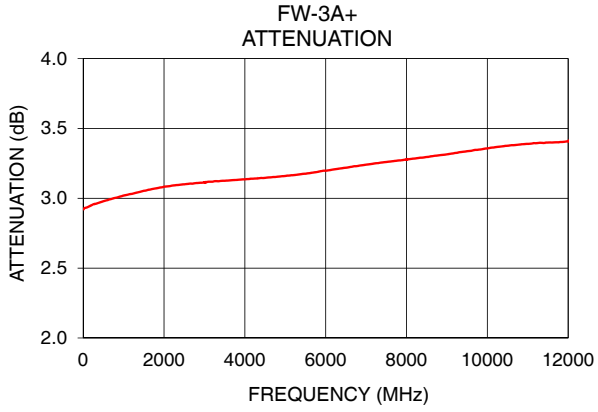
ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS AT 25°C

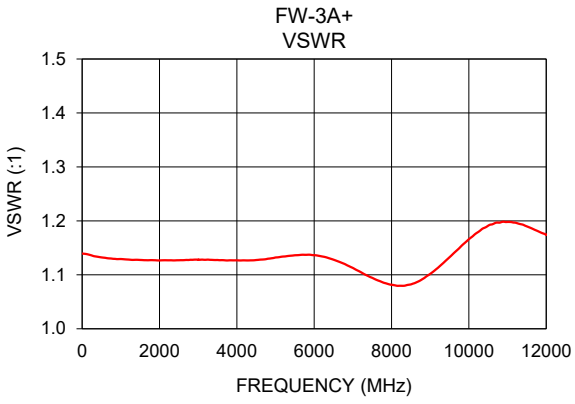
Parameter	Condition (MHz)	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Frequency Range		DC	-	12000	MHz
Attenuation[1]	10	-	3	-	dB
	DC - 3000	2.7	3.15	3.3	
	3000 - 8000	2.7	3.2	3.6	
	8000 - 12000	3.0	3.4	4.0	
VSWR	DC - 3000	-	1.10	1.50	:1
	3000 - 8000	-	1.15	1.55	
	8000 - 12000	-	1.25	-	
Input Power[2]	DC - 12000	-	-	2.0	W

1. Attenuation varies by 0.3 dB max. over temperature.
2. Maximum RF power at 25°C is 2.0 W; Derate linearly to 1.0 W at 85°C

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE DATA

Frequency (MHz)	Attenuation (dB)	VSWR (:1)
10	2.92	1.13
100	2.94	1.14
500	2.98	1.13
1000	3.02	1.13
2000	3.08	1.13
3000	3.11	1.13
5000	3.16	1.13
6000	3.20	1.14
8000	3.28	1.08
9000	3.31	1.10
9500	3.34	1.13
10000	3.36	1.17
10500	3.38	1.19
11000	3.39	1.20
12000	3.41	1.17





NOTES

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Typical Performance Data

FREQ. (MHz)	ATTENUATION (dB)	VSWR (:1)
10	2.92	1.14
20	2.93	1.14
50	2.93	1.14
100	2.94	1.14
200	2.95	1.14
300	2.96	1.13
400	2.97	1.13
500	2.98	1.13
600	2.99	1.13
700	3.00	1.13
800	3.00	1.13
900	3.01	1.13
1000	3.02	1.13
1200	3.03	1.13
1400	3.05	1.13
1600	3.06	1.13
1800	3.07	1.13
2000	3.08	1.13
2200	3.09	1.13
2400	3.10	1.13
2600	3.10	1.13
2800	3.11	1.13
3000	3.11	1.13
3200	3.12	1.13
3400	3.12	1.13
3600	3.13	1.13
3800	3.13	1.13
4000	3.14	1.13
4200	3.14	1.13
4400	3.15	1.13
4600	3.15	1.13
4800	3.15	1.13
5000	3.16	1.13
5200	3.17	1.13
5400	3.17	1.14
5600	3.18	1.14
5800	3.19	1.14
6000	3.20	1.14
6200	3.21	1.13
6400	3.21	1.13
6600	3.22	1.13
6800	3.23	1.12
7000	3.24	1.11
7200	3.25	1.11
7400	3.26	1.10
7600	3.26	1.09
7800	3.27	1.09
8000	3.28	1.08
8200	3.28	1.08
8400	3.29	1.08
8600	3.30	1.08
8800	3.31	1.09
9000	3.31	1.10
9200	3.32	1.11
9400	3.33	1.13
9600	3.34	1.14
10000	3.36	1.17
11000	3.39	1.20
11500	3.40	1.19
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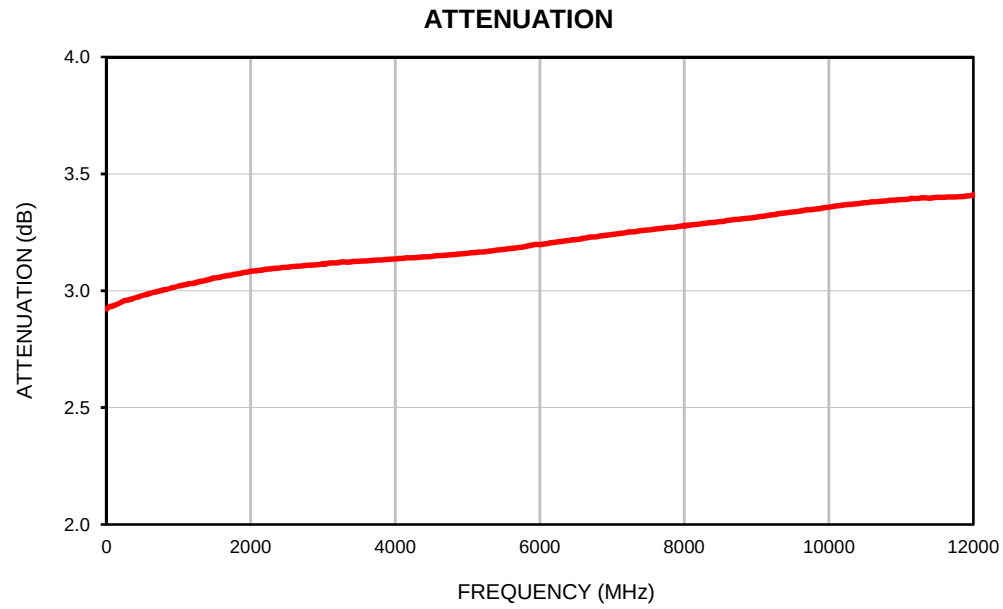
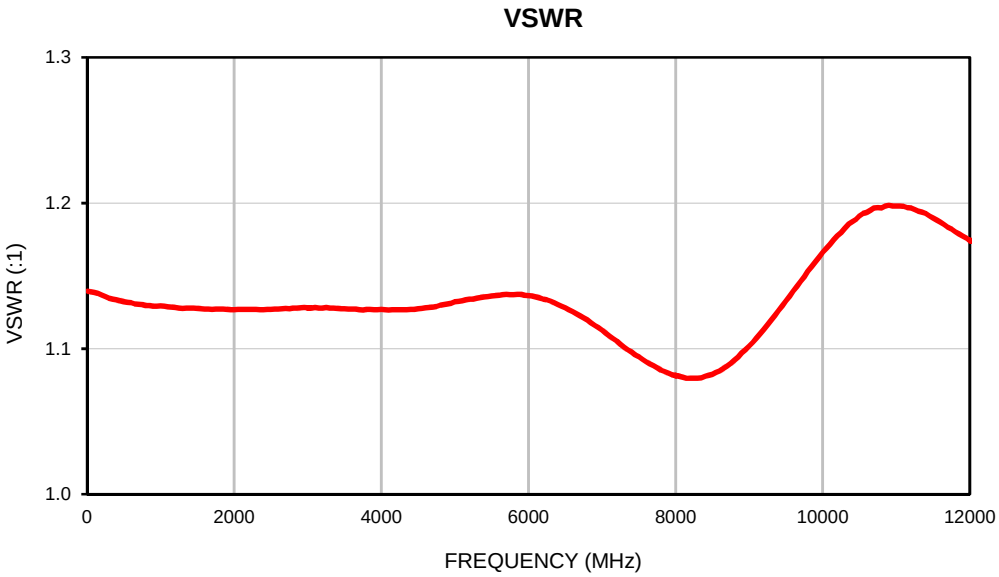
Typical Performance Curves





Case Style FF

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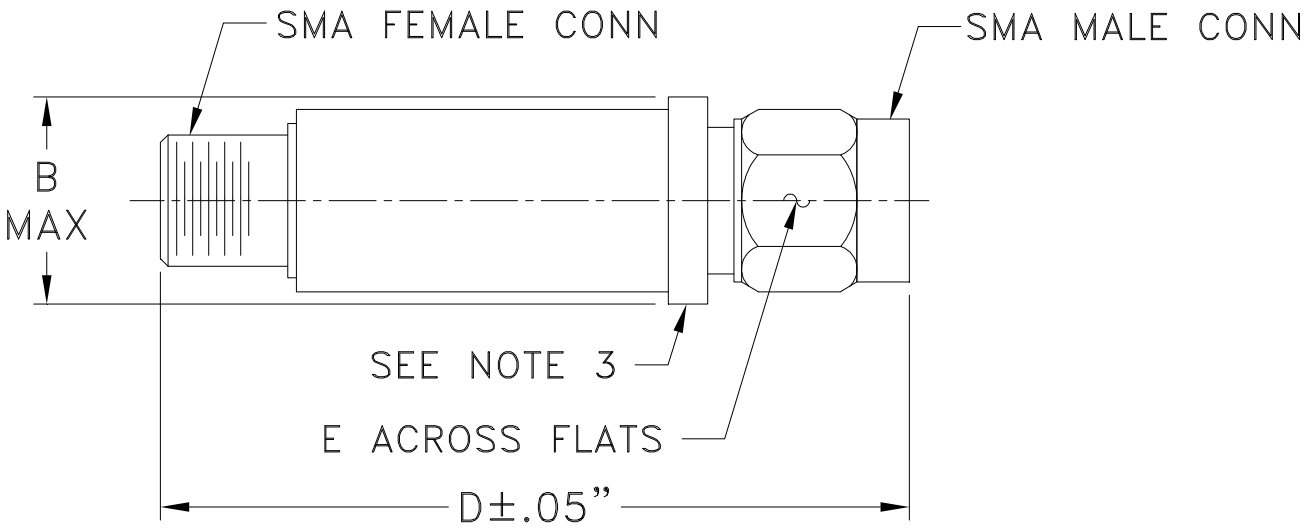
Outline Dimensions



CASE #.	A	B	C	D	E	WT GRAMS
FF704	-- --	.410 (10.41)	-- --	1.43 (36.32)	.312 (7.92)	10.0

Dimensions are in inches (mm). Tolerances: 2Pl. ± .04; 3Pl. ± .030

Notes:

1. Case material: Stainless steel.
2. Case finish: Gold plated.
3. Round Flange may have .312 Across Flats in some models.

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Environmental Specifications ENV132

All Mini-Circuits products are manufactured under exacting quality assurance and control standards, and are capable of meeting published specifications after being subjected to any or all of the following physical and environmental test.

Specification	Test/Inspection Condition	Reference/Spec
Operating Temperature	-40° to 85° C Ambient Environment	Individual Model Data Sheet
Storage Temperature	-55° to 100° C Ambient Environment	Individual Model Data Sheet
Thermal Shock	-55° to 100°C, 5cycles	MIL-STD-202, Method 107, Condition A, except +100°C
Vibration (High Frequency)	20g peak, 10-2000 Hz, 12 times in each of three perpendicular directions (total 36)	MIL-STD-202, Method 204, Condition D
Mechanical Shock	75g, 6ms , Half Sine, 3 shocks each direction 3 axes (total 18)	MIL-STD-202, Method 213, Condition B

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