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# Mechanical Switch Assembly

**ZTM2-8SP8T-26**

50Ω DC to 26.5 GHz 8 x SP8T Rack-Mount SMA-Female

## THE BIG DEAL

- 8 x mechanical SP8T absorptive switches
- Excellent performance to 26.5 GHz
- Convenient rack-mountable chassis
- Ethernet & USB control
- LED switch state indicators

## APPLICATIONS

- Benchtop and rack-mounted automated test systems
- 5G FR1, WiFi 6E, UWB, Bluetooth
- Military radio, radar & electronic warfare
- Switch matrices

## PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Mini-Circuits' ZTM2-8SP8T-26 houses 8 independently controlled electro-mechanical SP8T switches. Each switch operates over an extremely wide bandwidth, from DC to 26.5 GHz with high isolation and low insertion loss. The absorptive switches are failsafe, with a break before make configuration, and lifetime of 2 million switching cycles when used within the noted specifications.

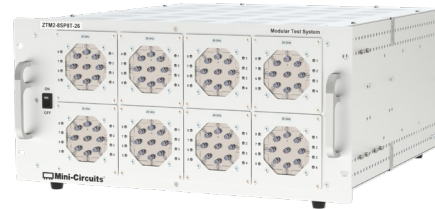
The switches are housed in a rugged 19-inch rack chassis, 5U height, with all SMA (female) RF connectors on the front. LED switch state indicators on the front panel enable visual display of all switch states. The modular design of the ZTM2 series switch rack supports easy maintenance and re-configuration in the field, without the need to return the whole system to a Mini-Circuits facility.

The switch assembly can be controlled via USB or Ethernet (supporting SSH, HTTP and Telnet network protocols). Full software support is provided, including our user-friendly GUI application for Windows and a full API with programming instructions for Windows and Linux environments.

Custom switch configurations can be configured to fit any requirement, using Mini-Circuits' online configurator tool at <https://www.minicircuits.com/WebStore/ztm2.html>.

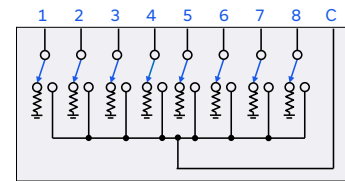
## KEY FEATURES

Feature	Advantages
Mechanical switches	Mechanical absorptive switches provide low loss, high isolation, high reliability, repeatable performance and internal termination of input signals on the disconnected paths
Fail-safe design	The switches revert to a known default state when the DC supply is removed, allowing their use in systems that must continue to operate safely in the event of power failure
Secure Ethernet communication	Support for SSH (Secure Shell protocol) provides a means for secure communication over Ethernet networks with strict security policies.
Rack-mount chassis	19", 5U rack-mountable chassis suits integration in automated production test environments.



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## FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM (EACH SWITCH)



**ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS AT +25°C (EACH SWITCH)**

Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Frequency Range		DC		26.5	GHz
Insertion Loss	DC-8 GHz		0.15	0.30	dB
	8-18 GHz		0.35	0.60	
	18-26.5 GHz		0.80	1.10	
Isolation <sup>1</sup>	DC-8 GHz	70	80		dB
	8-18 GHz	60	75		
	18-26.5 GHz	55	70		
Return Loss <sup>2</sup>	DC-8 GHz		20		dB
	8-18 GHz		16		
	18-26.5 GHz		14		
Switching Time			25		ms
RF Input Power (Cold Switching)	DC-8 GHz			20	W
	8-18 GHz			10	
	18-26.5 GHz			5	
	Into internal termination <sup>3</sup>			1	
Switch Lifetime	100 mW hot switching <sup>4</sup>	2			million cycles
	1W hot switching		1		

1. Isolation measured between Com and any disconnected port. Example: Isolation for Com to 1 is the leakage measured at port 1 from a signal input at Com when the active switch path is set to Com to 2

2. Return loss into Com when active or ports 1-8 in any state; Com is reflective when disconnected

3. Maximum power into any internal termination is 1W per port, 3W total per switch

4. Hot switching power above this level will degrade the switch lifetime

**CONTROL INTERFACES**

Ethernet Control	Supported Protocols	TCP / IP, SSH, HTTP, Telnet, DHCP, UDP (limited)
	Max Data Rate	100 Mbps (100Base-T Full Duplex)
USB Control	Supported Protocols	HID – High Speed
	Min Communication Time <sup>5</sup>	400 μs typ

5. Based on the polling interval of the USB HID protocol (125 μs with 64 bytes per packet) and no other significant CPU or USB activity

**SOFTWARE & DOCUMENTATION**

Mini-Circuits' full software and support package including user guide, Windows GUI, API, programming manual and examples can be downloaded free of charge (refer to the last page for the download path).

A comprehensive set of software control options is provided:

- GUI for Windows – Simple software interface for control via Ethernet and USB
- Programming / automation via Ethernet
  - Complete set of control commands which can be sent via any supported protocol – simple to implement in the majority of modern programming environments
- Programming / automation via USB
  - DLL files provide a full API for Windows with a set of intuitive functions which can be implemented in any programming environment supporting .Net Framework or ActiveX
  - Direct USB programming is possible in any other environment (not supporting .Net or ActiveX)

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**MINIMUM SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS**

Hardware	Intel i3 (or equivalent) or later
GUI (USB or Ethernet Control)	Windows 7 or later
USB API DLL	Windows 7 or later with support for Microsoft .Net Framework or ActiveX
USB Direct Programming	Windows 7 or later; Linux
Ethernet	Windows, Linux or macOS with Ethernet TCP / IP support

**PROGRAMMING COMMANDS**

The key ASCII / SCPI commands for control of the system for control via the Ethernet or USB API are summarized below (refer to the programming manual for full details):

Command / Query	Description
:MN?	Read model name
:SN?	Read serial number
:FIRMWARE?	Read firmware version
:SP8T:[sw_label]:STATE:[port]	Set a single switch state: [sw_label] = 1 to 8 [port] = 0 (all ports disconnected) to 8 (Com to 8) Example :SP8T:3:STATE:8 (set switch SP8T switch 3 to state 8)
:SP8T:[sw_label]:STATE?	Return a single switch state: [sw_label] = 1 to 8 Example :SP8T:3:STATE:8 (set switch SP8T switch 3 to state 8)



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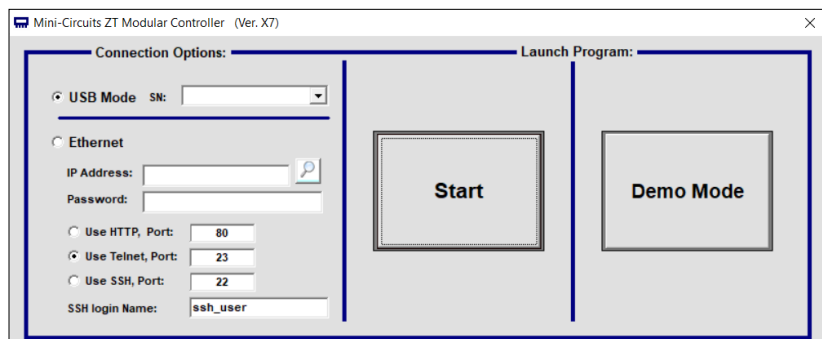
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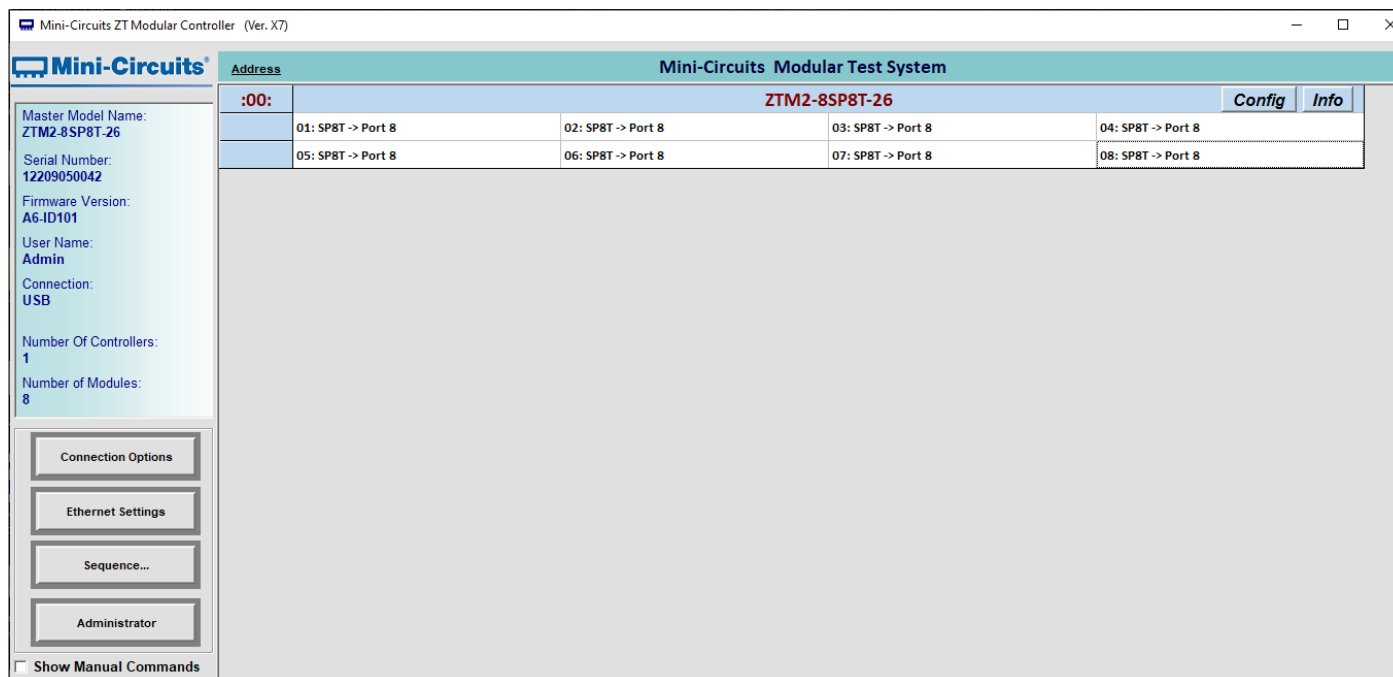
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### GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACE (GUI) FOR WINDOWS

- Connect via USB or Ethernet
- Run GUI in "demo mode" to evaluate software without a hardware connection



- View and set all switch states at the click of a button
- Set switch power-up states
- Configure Ethernet settings
- Update firmware





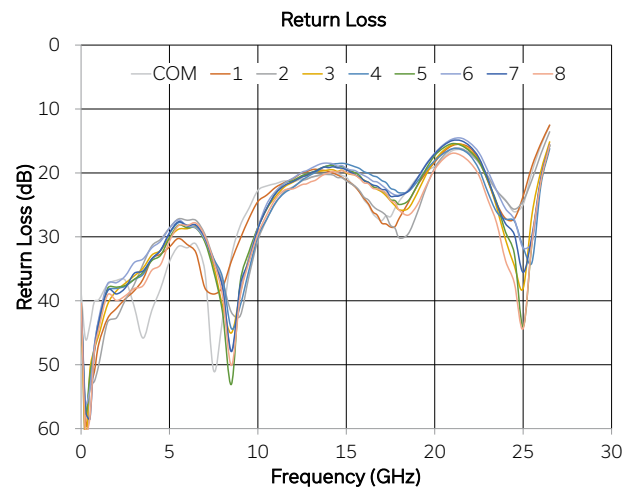
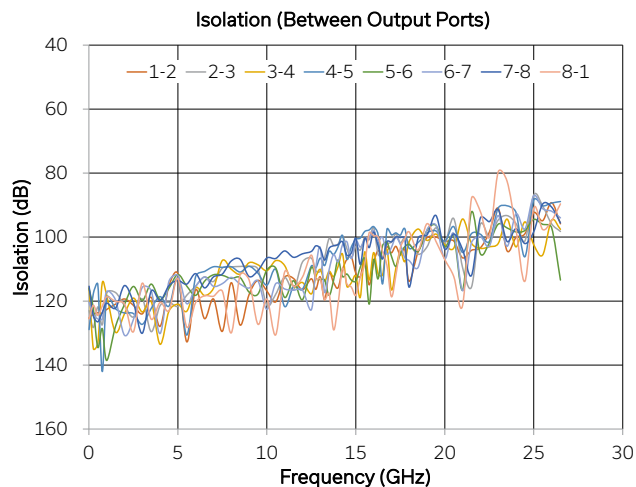
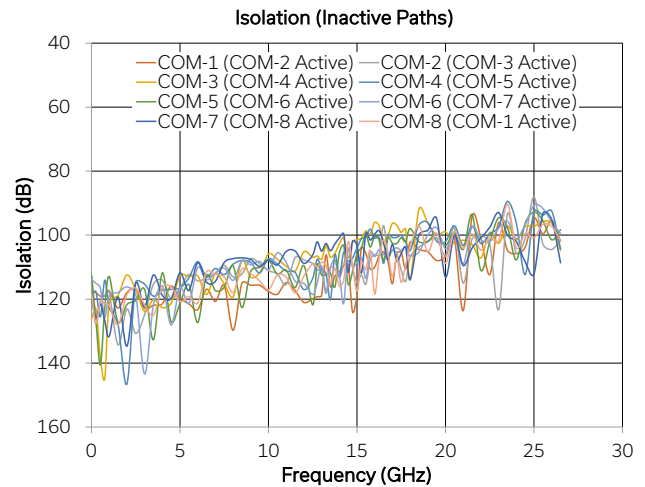
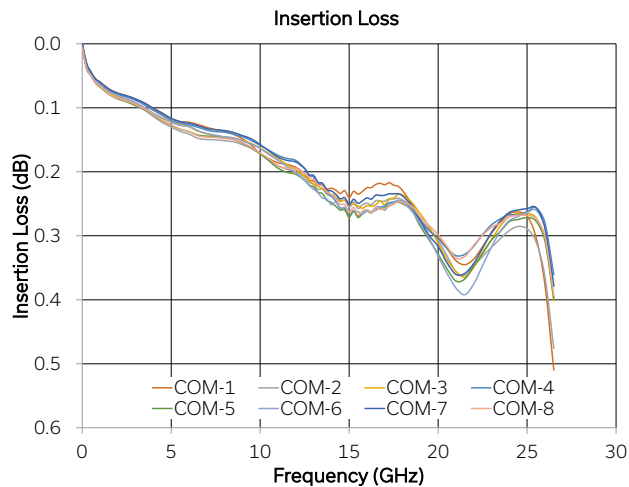
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## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE GRAPHS



ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS<sup>6</sup>

Parameter	Conditions	Limits	Units
Temperature	Operating	0 to +50	°C
	Storage	-20 to +60	
Input Power (No Damage)	Cold switching (DC-8 GHz)	20	W
	Cold switching (8-18 GHz)	10	
	Cold switching (18-26.5 GHz)	5	
	Hot Switching	1	
	Into internal termination	1	

6. Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded. Operating in the range between operating power limits and absolute maximum ratings for extended periods of time may result in reduced life and reliability.

## POWER SUPPLY

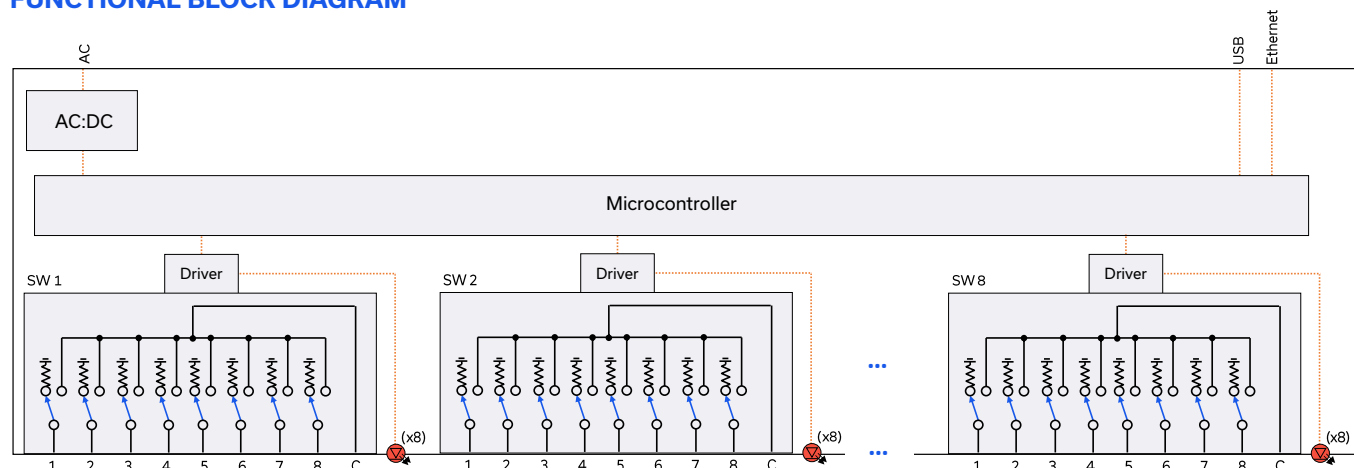
Power Supply	AC mains input: 100-240 V, 50 / 60 Hz
Fuse	2A, 250V rating
Power Consumption	150W maximum

## CONNECTIONS

Port	Connector
C & 1-8	SMA female
USB	USB type B
Ethernet / LAN	RJ45
AC Input	IEC C14 inlet

C = Com port  
1-8 = input / output ports

## FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



## SWITCH STATE TABLE (EACH SWITCH)

Switch Command	Switch x State	Switch x LED State							
		LED1	LED2	LED3	LED4	LED5	LED6	LED7	LED8
:SP8T:[x]:STATE:0	All ports disconnected (C open; ports 1-8 terminated)	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off
:SP8T:[x]:STATE:1	C to 1	On	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off
:SP8T:[x]:STATE:2	C to 2	Off	On	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off
:SP8T:[x]:STATE:3	C to 3	Off	Off	On	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off
:SP8T:[x]:STATE:4	C to 4	Off	Off	Off	On	Off	Off	Off	Off
:SP8T:[x]:STATE:5	C to 5	Off	Off	Off	Off	On	Off	Off	Off
:SP8T:[x]:STATE:6	C to 6	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	On	Off	Off
:SP8T:[x]:STATE:7	C to 7	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	On	Off
:SP8T:[x]:STATE:8	C to 8	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	On

## POWER-UP OPTIONS

Mode	Initial Switch Paths
Default	Switches power up in the default state (all ports disconnected)
Last State	Switches resume the previous state from the point of last power supply disconnection

Switches revert to the default state when the power supply is turned off or disconnected



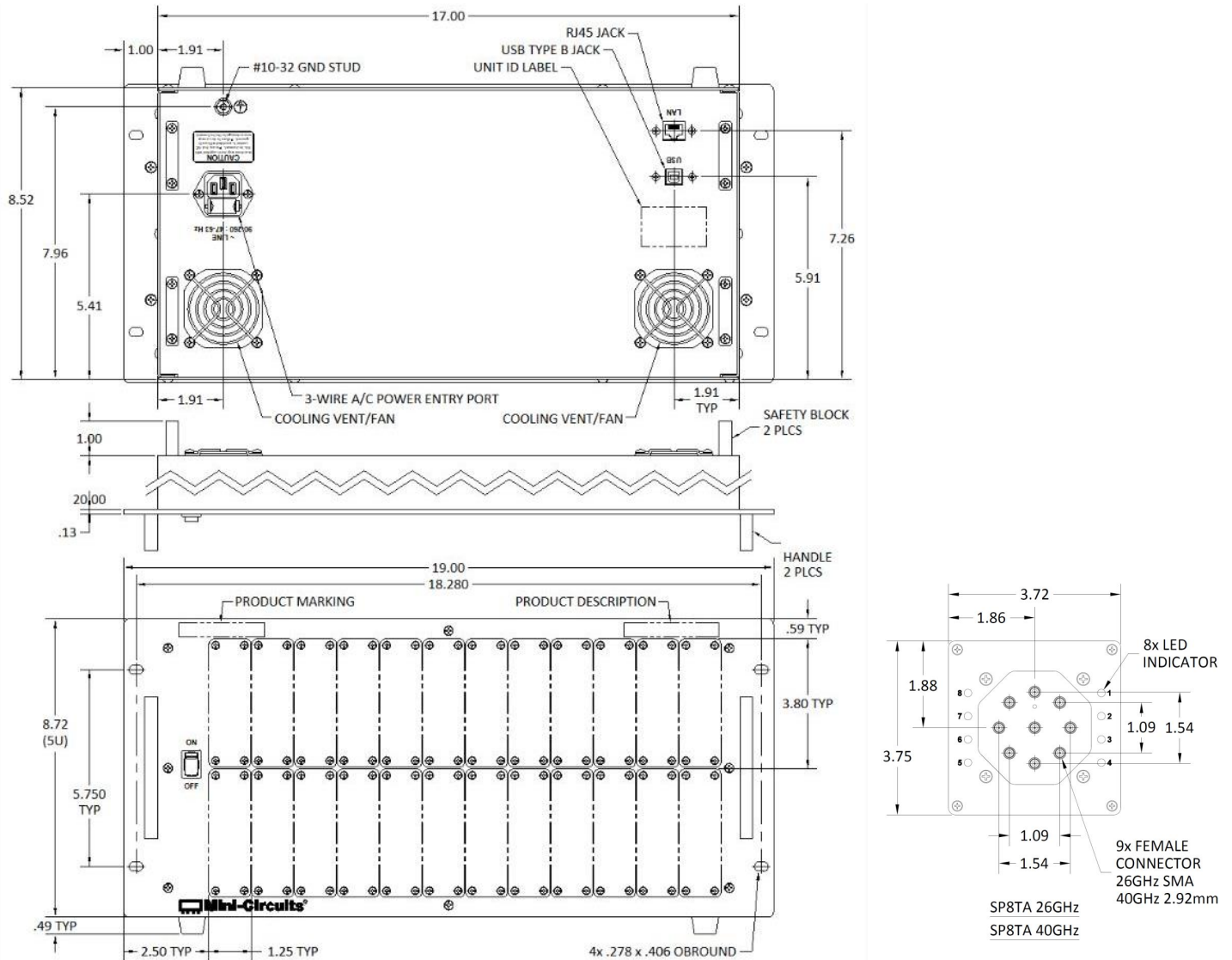
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## CASE STYLE DRAWING



## Notes:

1. Case material: Aluminum (with protective coating to prevent corrosion).
2. Dimensions are in inches (mm). Tolerances: 2 Pl.  $\pm 0.03$  inch; 3 Pl.  $\pm 0.015$  inch.
3. Weight: 9595 grams.
4. Marking may contain other features or characters for internal lot control.

## PRODUCT MARKING

Product Marking: ZTM2-8SP8T-26

Product Description: Modular Test System

Unit ID Label: Serial number and other identification marks

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DETAILED MODEL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE [CLICK HERE](#)

Case Style	YZ2891
Software, User Guide & Programming Manual	<a href="https://www.minicircuits.com/softwaredownload/ztm_ztm2.html">https://www.minicircuits.com/softwaredownload/ztm_ztm2.html</a>
Environmental Rating	ENV55
Regulatory Compliance	<p>Refer to our website for compliance methodologies and qualifications</p>  <a href="http://www.minicircuits.com/quality/environmental_introduction.html">www.minicircuits.com/quality/environmental_introduction.html</a>

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Included Accessories	Part Number	Description
	CBL-3W-xx	AC power cord (IEC C13 connector to local plug) Select one option from the list below. Please contact Please contact <a href="mailto:testsolutions@minicircuits.com">testsolutions@minicircuits.com</a> if your regions is not listed.
	USB-CBL-AB-7+	USB cable (6.8ft) type A to type B
	CBL-RJ45-MM-5+	Ethernet cable (5 ft)
	HT-4-SMA	SMA connector wrench (4" length)

AC Power Cord Options	Part Number	Description
	CBL-3W-US	USA NEMA 5-15 plug (type B) to IEC C13 connector
	CBL-3W-EU	Europe CEE 7/7 plug (type E/F) to IEC C13 connector
	CBL-3W-UK	UK BS-1363 plug (type G) to IEC C13 connector
	CBL-3W-AU	Australia & China AS/NZS 3112 plug (type I) to IEC C13 connector
	CBL-3W-IL	Israel SI-32 plug (type H) to IEC C13 connector

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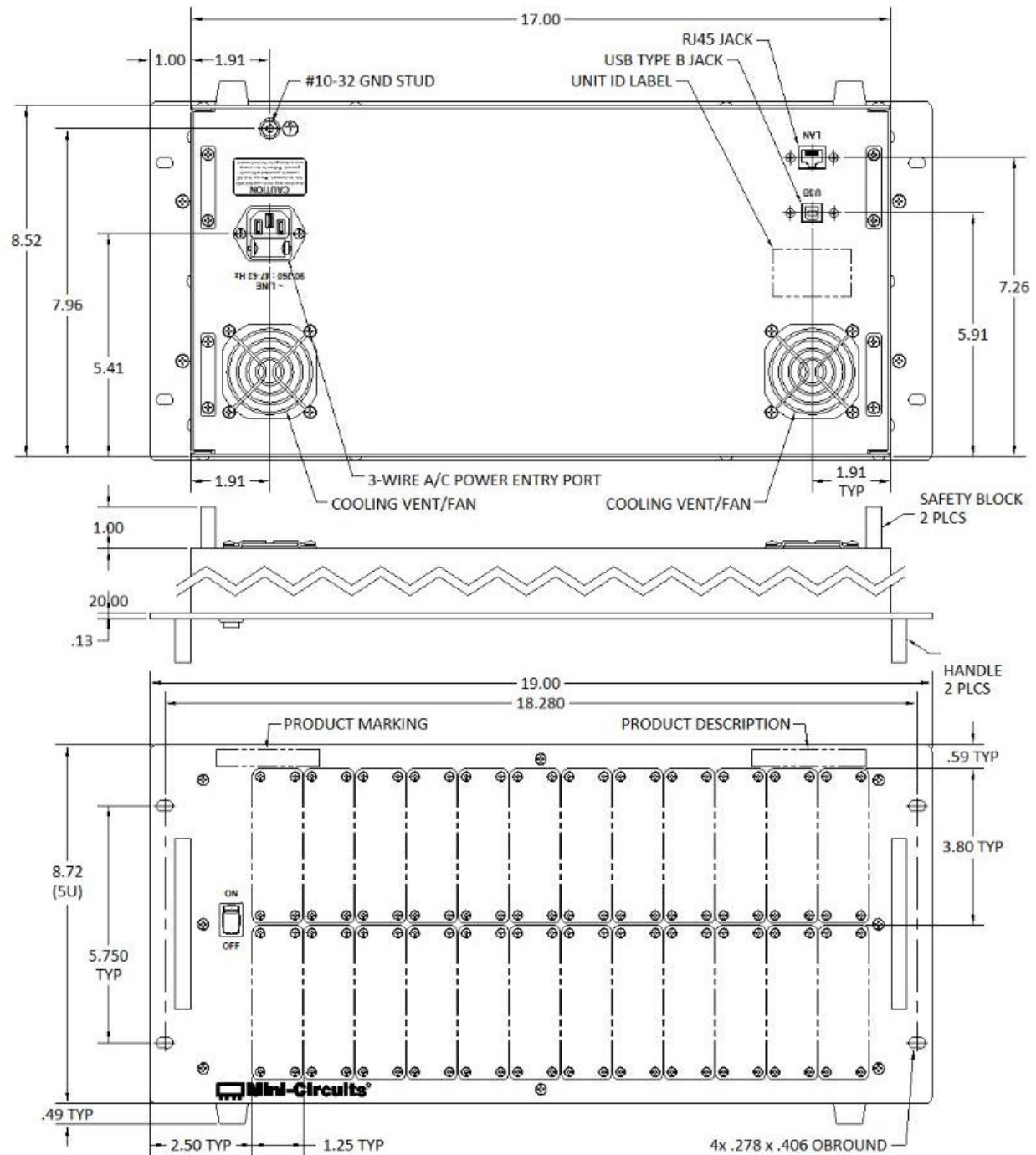


# Case Style

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## Outline Dimensions

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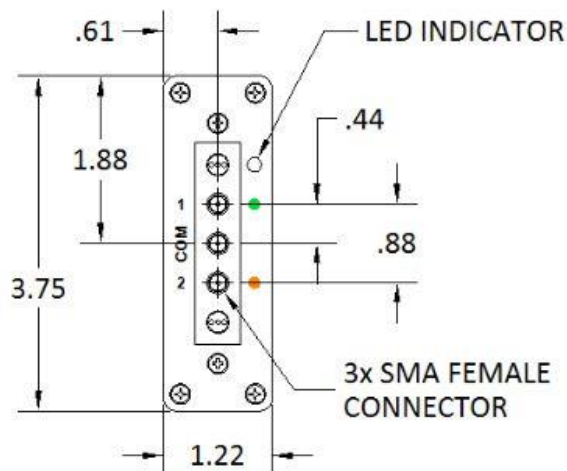
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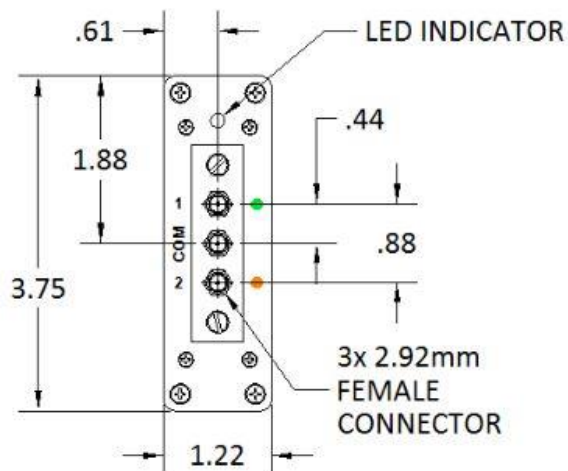
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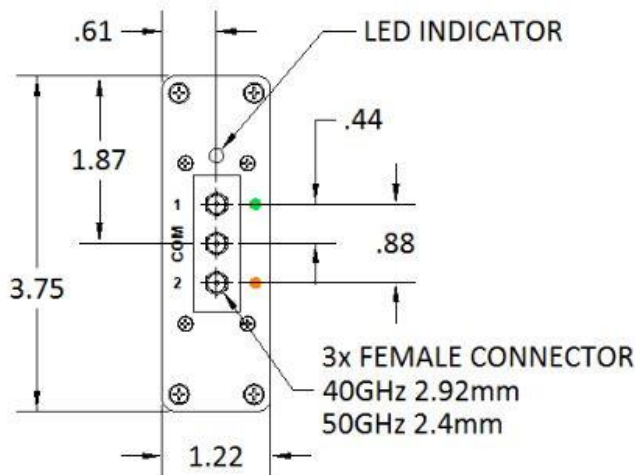
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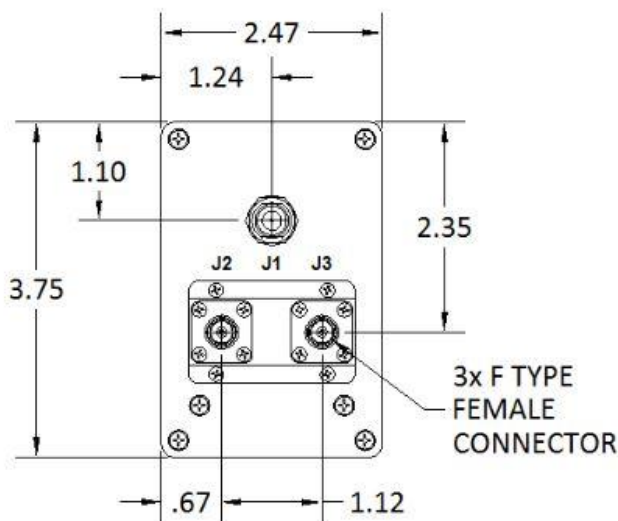
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SPDTA 2.15GHz (75Ω)



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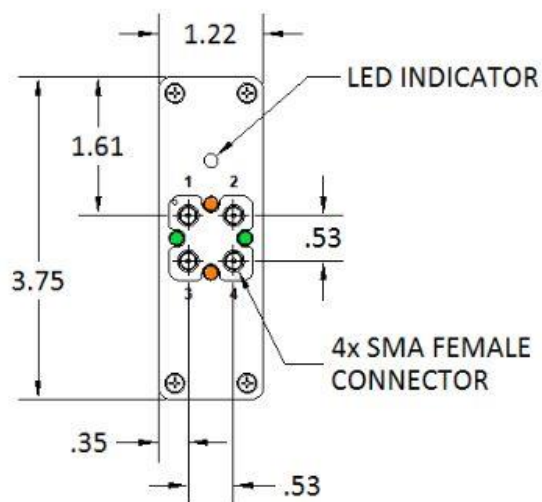
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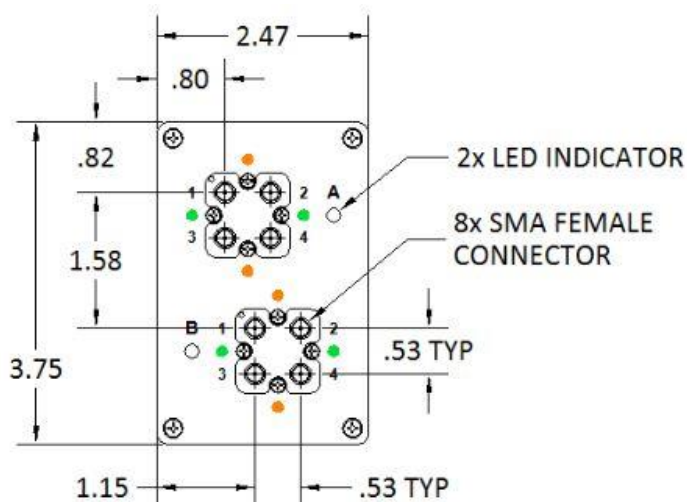
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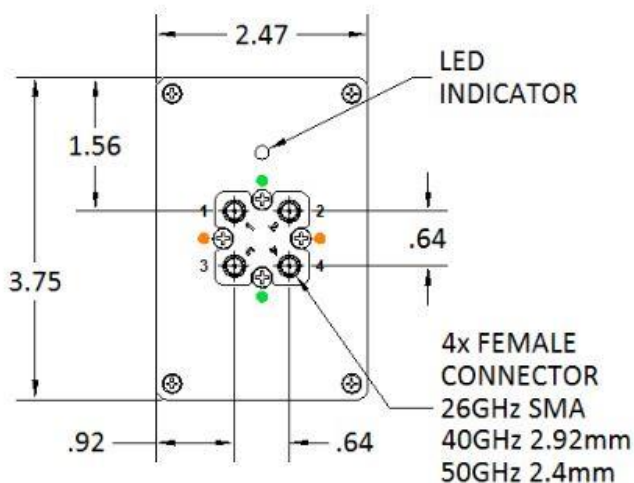
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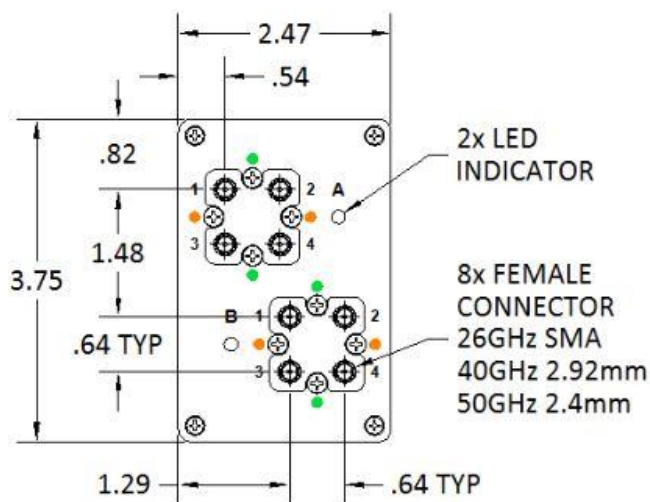
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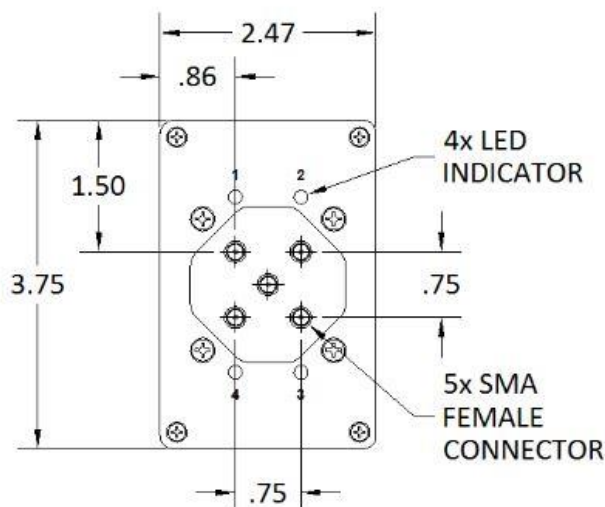
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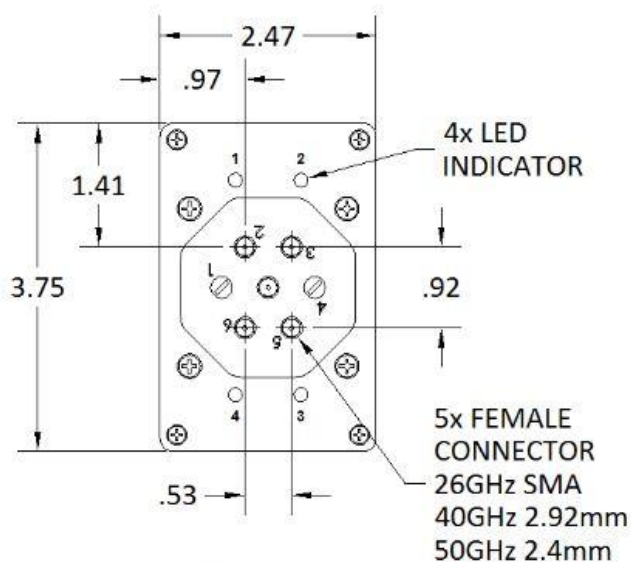
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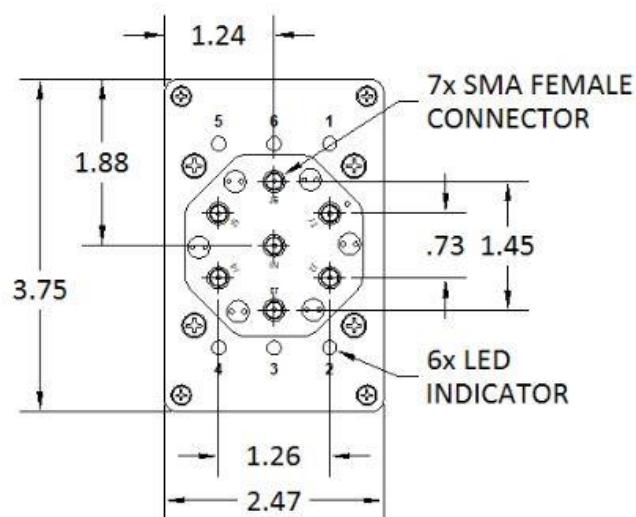
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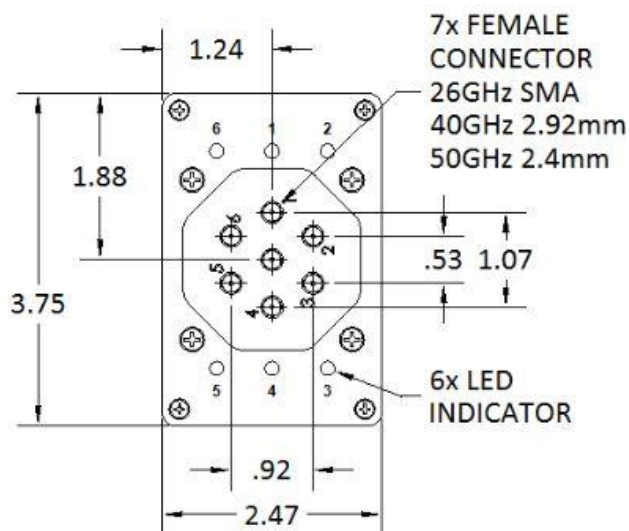
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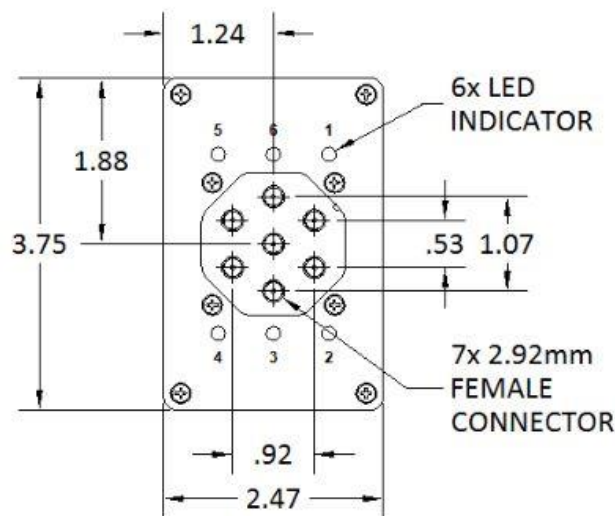
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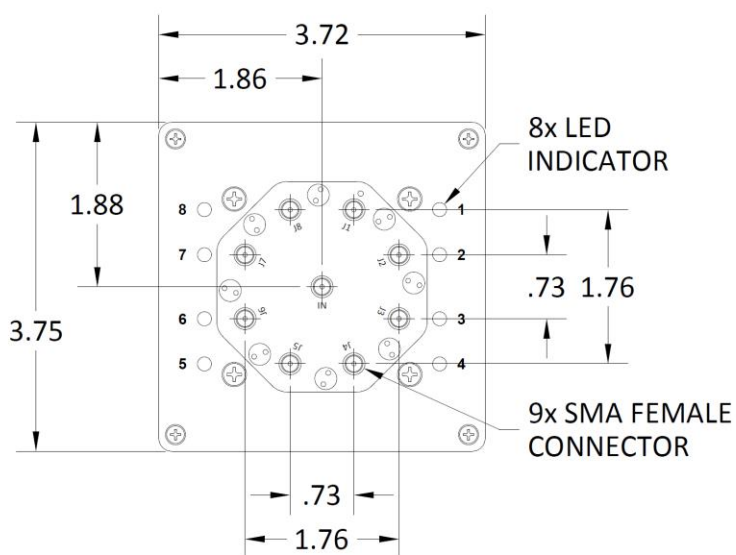
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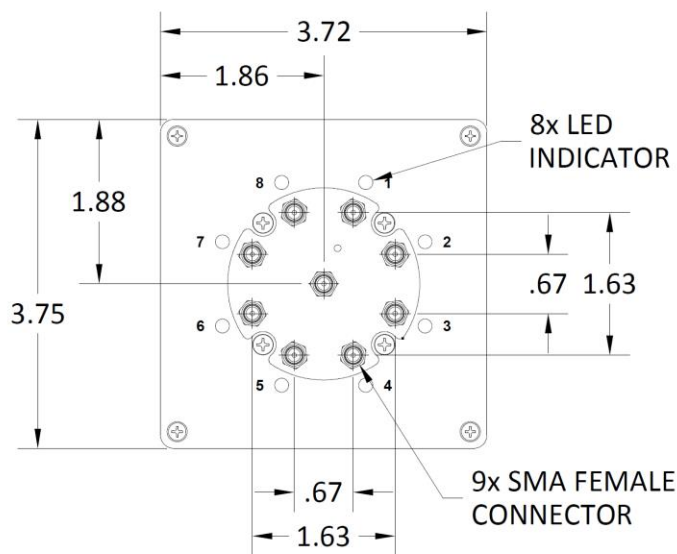


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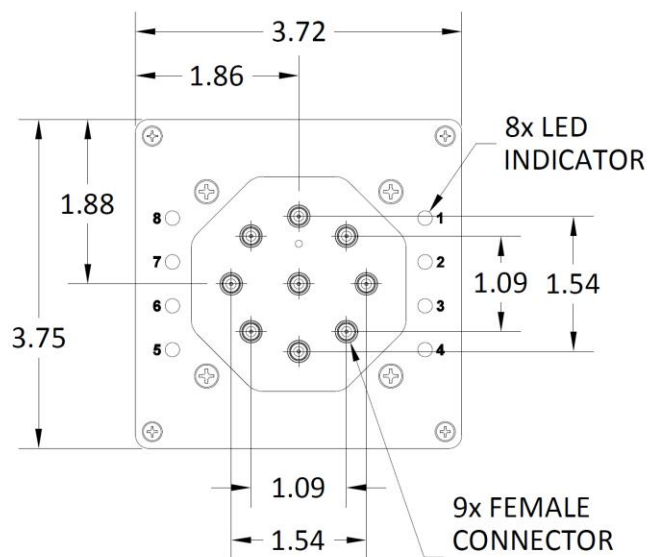


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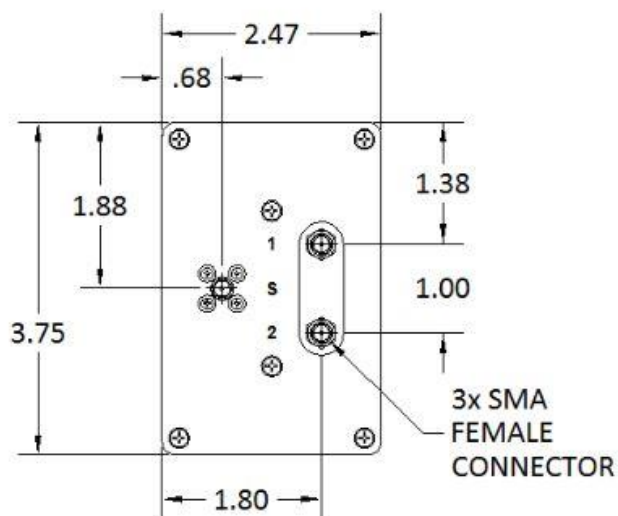
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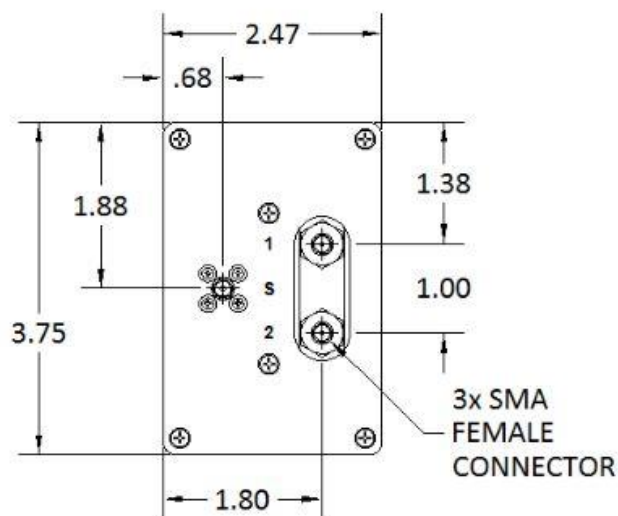
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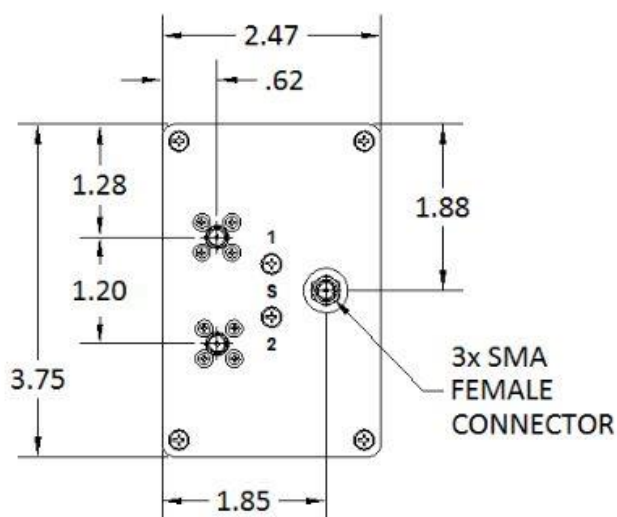
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CASE STYLE VVV845



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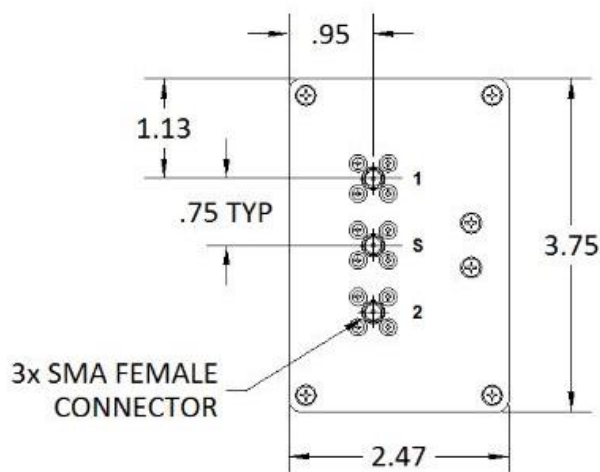
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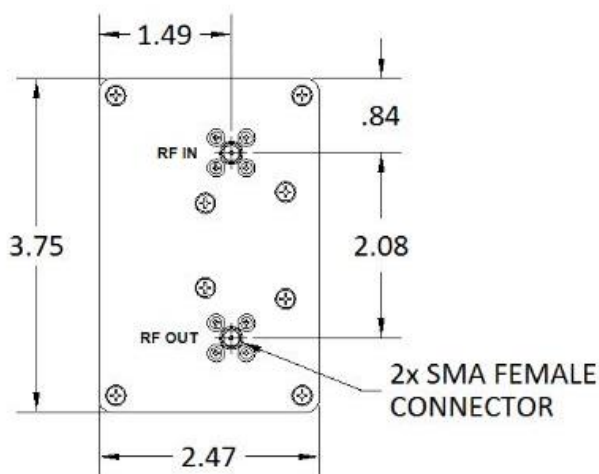
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CASE STYLE FL905



CASE STYLE GC957

CASE STYLE Y460

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## Environmental Specifications ENV55

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	-0° to 50° C Ambient Environment	Individual Model Data Sheet
Storage Temperature	-20° to 60° C Ambient Environment	Individual Model Data Sheet
Operating and Storage Humidity	5% to 85% RH (non-condensing)	Ambient
Bench Handling Test	Bench Top Tip 45° & Drop	MIL-PRF-28800F
Transit Drop Test	Free Fall Drop, 20 cm (7.9 inches)	MIL-PRF-28800F Class 3