



## USB & ETHERNET

# Full Fan Out Switch Matrix

## ZT-4X16NB-1

50Ω 900 to 2150 MHz 4 x 16 Rack-Mount SMA Female

### THE BIG DEAL

- Completely flexible 4 x 16 switch matrix
- Fully non-blocking / full fan-out configuration
- Combine any combination of input & output ports
- High isolation between disconnected ports
- Software automation via Ethernet & USB
- Convenient rack-mountable chassis



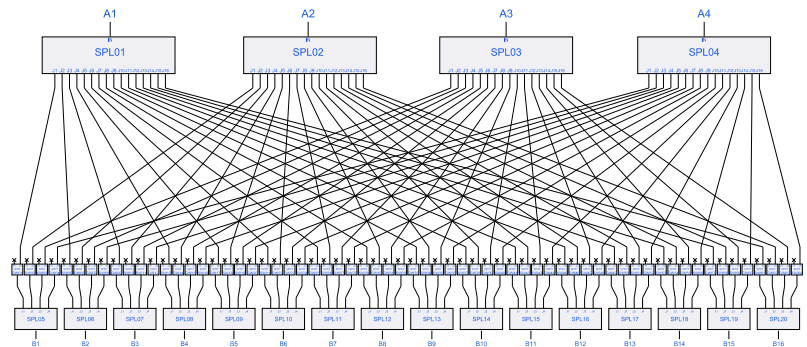
Front View



Rear View

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### FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



### APPLICATIONS

- L-band satcom (satellite communications)
- GNSS (GPS, Galileo, GLONASS) signal distribution
- RF test automation & signal routing
- DECT NR+ verification

### PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Mini-Circuits' ZT-4X16NB-1 is a "full fan out" or "fully non blocking" switch matrix. These systems use a combination of mechanical switches and splitter/combiners to provide a completely flexible set of paths between the input and output ports. The matrix comprises 64 bi-directional paths, allowing all inputs to connect simultaneously to all outputs, with the option to switch each path on or off independently.

The system is housed in a 5U height, 19-inch rack chassis, with the SMA female RF connections and AC power input on the rear panel. Removable carry handles are included on the front, rear and side panels to aid installation.

The switch matrix can be controlled via USB or Ethernet (supporting 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.

### KEY FEATURES

Feature	Advantages
Fully non-blocking	Completely flexible, allowing any combination of inputs to connect to any combination of outputs, including all 64 paths active at the same time.
Mechanical switches	Mechanical switches provide high isolation between disconnected ports with minimal added insertion loss.
Wide bandwidth	Operation over 900-2150 MHz supports L-band satellite communications and GNSS applications.
Ethernet & USB control	USB HID and Ethernet (HTTP & Telnet) interfaces ensure compatibility with most software environments and connection requirements.
Rack-mount chassis	5U height, 19" rack-mountable chassis suits integration in automated production test environments.



## ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS AT +25°C

Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Frequency		900		2150	MHz
Insertion Loss			20.5	23.0	dB
Isolation (Inactive Paths) <sup>1</sup>		80	100		dB
Isolation (Adjacent Active Ports) <sup>2</sup>	A <sub>x</sub> to A <sub>y</sub>	40	50		dB
	B <sub>x</sub> to B <sub>y</sub>	30	40		dB
Isolation (Adjacent Inactive Ports) <sup>3</sup>	A <sub>x</sub> to A <sub>y</sub> or B <sub>x</sub> to B <sub>y</sub>	80	100		dB
Return Loss <sup>4</sup>	A-Ports		18		dB
	B-Ports		18		dB
Input Power	All ports			+24	dBm

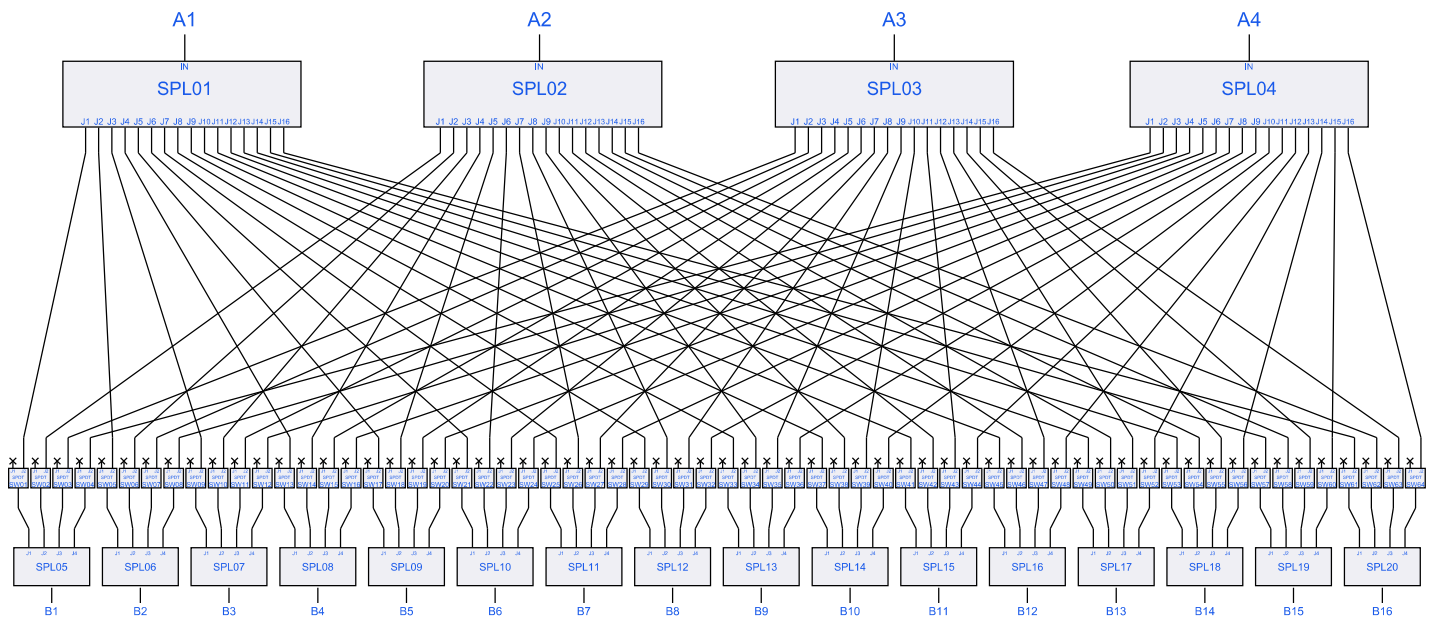
1. Isolation from input to output on a disconnected switch path. Example: A1 to B1 isolation is the leakage measured at B1 from a signal input at A1 when the switch in path is disconnected.

2. Isolation between any pair of A or B ports with all internal switch paths connected. This parameter is influenced by the isolation of the power splitter / combiner opposite.

3. Isolation between any pair of A or B ports with all internal switch paths disconnected. This parameter is influenced by the isolation of the mechanical switches.

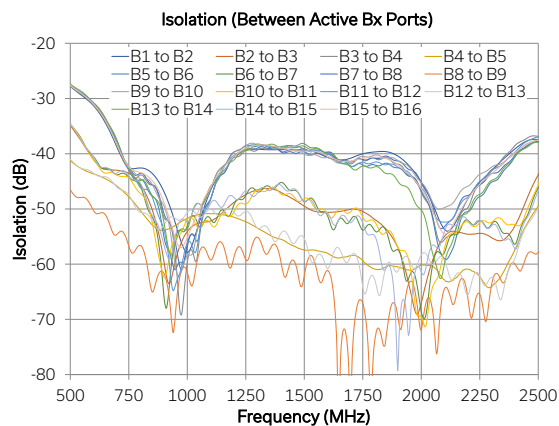
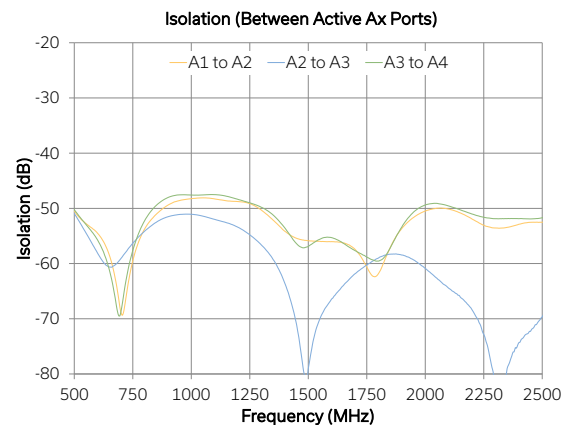
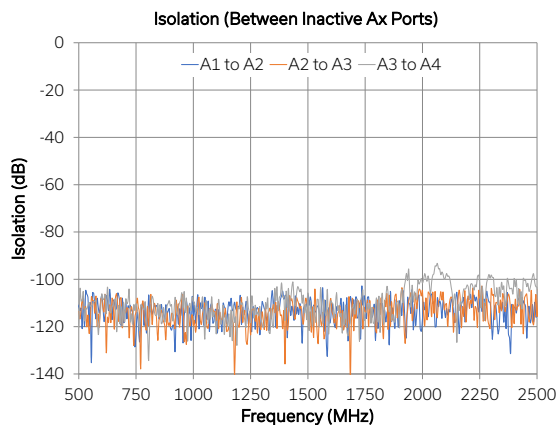
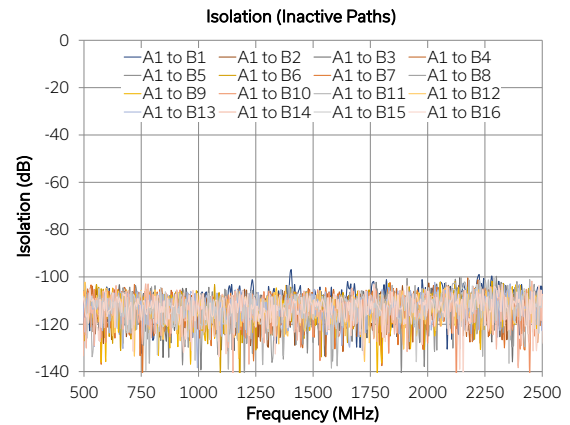
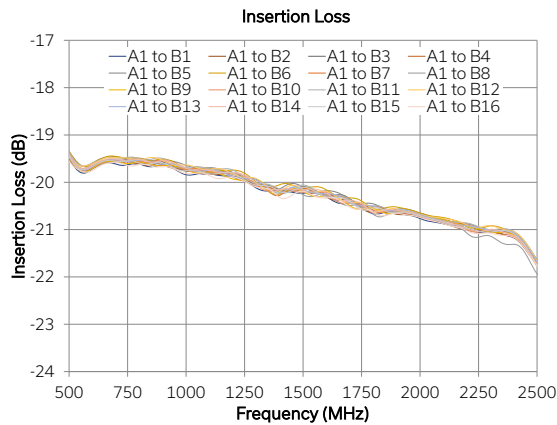
4. Return loss into all ports in all states

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## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CURVES





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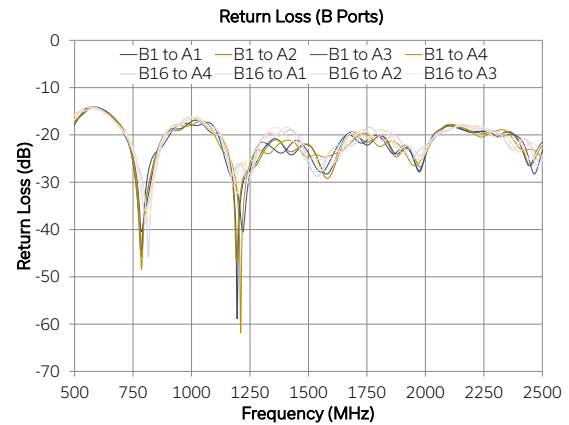
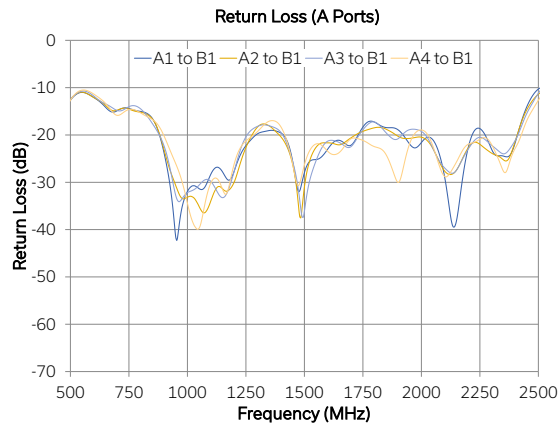
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**CONTROL INTERFACES**

Ethernet Control	Supported Protocols	TCP / IP, HTTP, Telnet, DHCP, UDP (limited)
	Max Data Rate	10 Mbps (10 Base-T Half Duplex)
USB Control	Supported Protocols	HID – Full Speed
	Min Communication Time <sup>5</sup>	3 ms typ

5. Based on the polling interval of the USB HID protocol (1 ms 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
:PATH:[A_port]:[B_port]	Set a single path: • [A_port] = The "A" port name to connect (A1 to A4) • [B_port] = The "B" port name to connect (B1 to B16) • Example :PATH:A1:B16
:PATH:[input_port]?	Get the "output" port connected to the specified "input port": • [input_port] = The "A" or "B" port name to check (A1 to A4 or B1 to B16) • Example :PATH:B16:?
PATH:[input_port]:DIST	Disconnect all paths to the a specific port: • [input_port] = The "A" or "B" port name to disconnect (A1 to A4 or B1 to B16) • Example :PATH:A1:DIST
:DIST:[A_port]:[B_port]	Disconnect a single path between 2 named ports: • [A_port] = The "A" port name (A1 to A4) • [B_port] = The "B" port name (B1 to B16) • Example :DIST:A1:B16



## 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 paths at the click of a button
- Define custom port labels
- Configure Ethernet settings
- Update firmware

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Connection Options Ethernet Settings Block Diagram Administrator

☒ Show Connections

1. Select "B" Port: Click on a pair of port buttons ("A" and "B") to set a switch path:

X	B1: Custom_B1_Label	<=>	:A1 :A2 :A3 :A4	B9: Custom_B9_Label	<=>	...	X
X	B2: Custom_B2_Label	<=>	:A2 :A3 :A4	B10: Custom_B10_Label	<=>	...	X
X	B3: Custom_B3_Label	<=>	:A2 :A3 :A4	B11: Custom_B11_Label	<=>	:A2 :A3	X
X	B4: Custom_B4_Label	<=>	:A2 :A3 :A4	B12: Custom_B12_Label	<=>	:A4	X
X	B5: Custom_B5_Label	<=>	...	B13: Custom_B13_Label	<=>	:A3	X
X	B6: Custom_B6_Label	<=>	...	B14: Custom_B14_Label	<=>	:A1 :A2	X
X	B7: Custom_B7_Label	<=>	...	B15: Custom_B15_Label	<=>	...	X
X	B8: Custom_B8_Label	<=>	...	B16: Custom_B16_Label	<=>	:A1 :A4	X

2. Select "A" Port:

A1: Custom_A1_Label	A2: Custom_A2_Label	A3: Custom_A3_Label	A4: Custom_A4_Label
X	X	X	X

Send SCPI Command:

SCPI commands: :FanState? Send: :FanState? Receive: 1 Send SCPI...



## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Parameter	Conditions	Limits	Units
Temperature	Operating	0 to +50	°C
	Storage	-20 to +60	
Input Power	No damage	+24	dBm

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	480W maximum

## CONNECTIONS

Port	Connector
A1-A4 & B1-B16	SMA female
USB	USB type B
Ethernet / LAN	RJ45
AC Input	IEC C14 inlet



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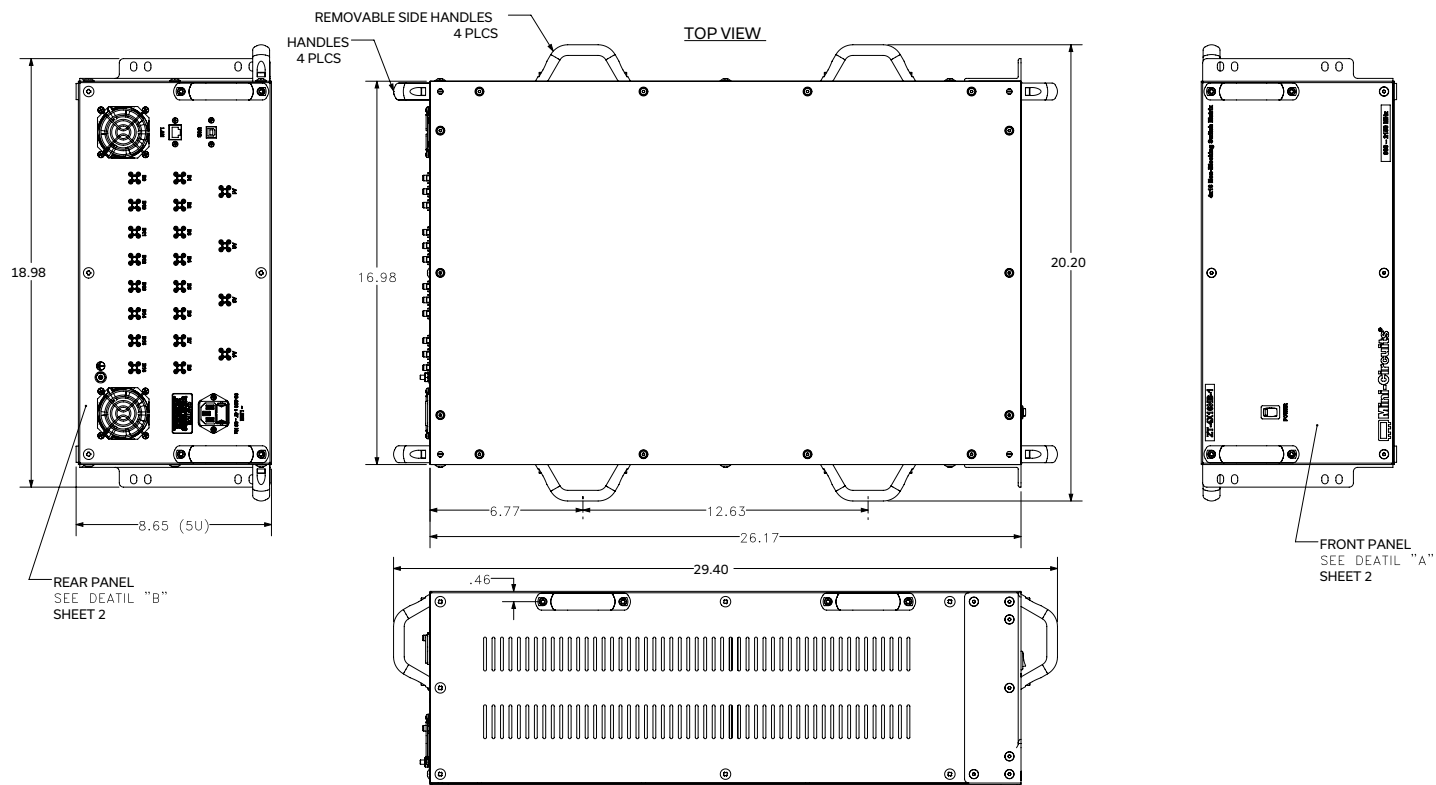
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## CASE STYLE DRAWING



## PRODUCT MARKING\*

Product Marking: ZT-4X16NB-1

Product Description: 4 x 16 Non-Blocking Switch Matrix

Product Frequency: 900-2150 MHz

Unit ID Label: Serial number and other identification marks

\*Marking may contain other features or characters for internal lot control

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Case Style	99-01-3632
Software, User Guide & Programming Manual	<a href="https://www.minicircuits.com/softwaredownload/zt/MCL_ZT_4X16NB-1_UG_setup_X1.zip">https://www.minicircuits.com/softwaredownload/zt/MCL_ZT_4X16NB-1_UG_setup_X1.zip</a>
Environmental Rating	ENV55
Regulatory Compliance	<p>Refer to our website for compliance methodologies and qualifications</p>  <p><a href="http://www.minicircuits.com/quality/environmental_introduction.html">www.minicircuits.com/quality/environmental_introduction.html</a></p>

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Included Accessories	Part Number	Description
	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)
	B13-345-08+	Rack-mounting support kit
	CBL-3W-xx	AC power cord (IEC C13 connector to local plug) Select one option from the list below. Please contact <a href="mailto:testsolutions@minicircuits.com">testsolutions@minicircuits.com</a> if your region is not listed.

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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