

Mesh Network Emulator **ZTMN-0495AN-HP**

50Ω 350 to 6000 MHz 4-Port 0-95 dB Rack-Mount N-type Female

## THE BIG DEAL

- 4 fully interconnected test ports (6 internal paths)
- High input power, 50W per port
- 95 dB programmable attenuation per path
- Configure automated sweep / hop / fading sequences
- Ethernet & USB control

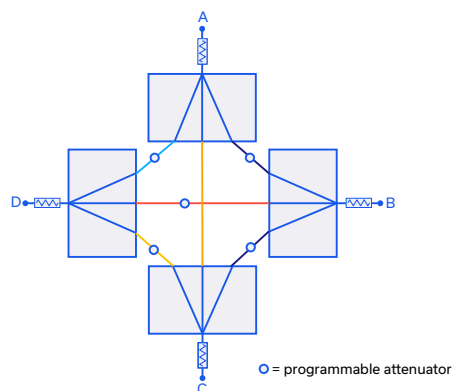


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## APPLICATIONS

- Production, R&D, qualification testing
- Military VHF / UHF radio
- 5G FR1 / WiFi / IoT / Zigbee device testing
- Test & measurement systems

## FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



## PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Mini-Circuits' ZTMN series mesh network emulators are multi-port test systems with independently variable attenuation on each internal path. This concept allows simulation of a "real-world" mesh communication network within the confined space of a test environment. Path loss can be varied independently between any pair of devices on the network without affecting any other combination of devices, allowing simulation of a complex range of test cases.

ZTMN-0495AN-HP is a high power 4-port mesh covering 350 MHz to 6 GHz, with 50W input power rating per port and 0 to 95 dB attenuation range on each of the 6 internal paths. The model is housed in a compact, 3U height, 19-inch rack chassis with all RF connectors on the front panel. The ZTMN series also supports larger mesh network combinations, custom attenuation and frequency ranges available on request.

The system can be controlled via USB or Ethernet (supporting SSH, HTTP & Telnet protocols), allowing local control directly from a PC, or remotely over a network. 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
Wide attenuation range	Independently controllable 0-95 dB attenuators on each path allow simulation of a wide range of test scenarios including receiver sensitivity, device / base-station handovers, device failures, and interference effects.
High input power	50W input power rating on each port supports direct connection to high power radio transmissions.
Rack-mount chassis	Compact 3U height, 19" rack-mountable chassis suits integration in automated production test environments.
Ethernet & USB control	USB HID and Ethernet (SSH / HTTP / Telnet) interfaces ensure compatibility with most software environments and connection requirements.

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## ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS AT +25°C

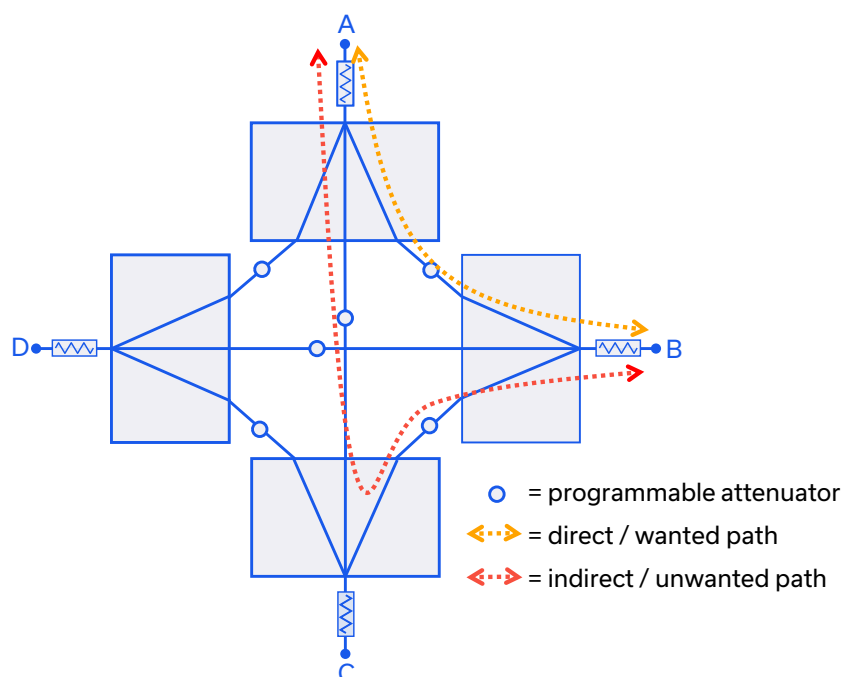
Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Frequency Range	-	350	-	6000	MHz
Insertion Loss <sup>1</sup>	350 – 2000 MHz	-	77	81	dB
	2000 – 6000 MHz	-	80	85	
Isolation <sup>2,3</sup>	350 – 2000 MHz	-	100	-	dB
	2000 – 6000 MHz	-	110	-	
Return Loss	-	-	25	-	dB
Attenuation Range	0.25 dB steps	0	90	-	dB
	0.5 dB steps	90	95	-	
Attenuation Steps	Nominal	-	0.25	-	dB
Input Power	-	-	-	50	W

1. Path loss on the direct path between 2 ports when the attenuator in path is at 0 dB.

2. Path loss on the indirect / unwanted path between 2 ports with the 2 attenuators in path at 0 dB and all others at 95 dB (limited by the isolation characteristic of the internal splitter / combiner component).

3. It is recommended to set all attenuators to max attenuation initially due to the isolation effects described in note 2, then reduce the attenuation on specific paths as required by the test configuration.

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**CONTROL INTERFACES**

Ethernet Control	Supported Protocols	TCP / IP, SSH, HTTP, Telnet, DHCP, UDP (limited)
	Max Data Rate	100 Mbps (100 Base-T Full Duplex)
USB Control	Supported Protocols	HID – High Speed
	Min Communication Time <sup>4</sup>	400 μs typ

4. Based on the polling interval of the USB HID protocol (125 μs with 1024 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

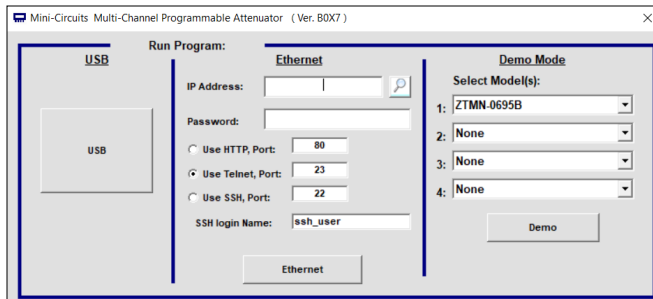
**PROGRAMMING COMMANDS**

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):

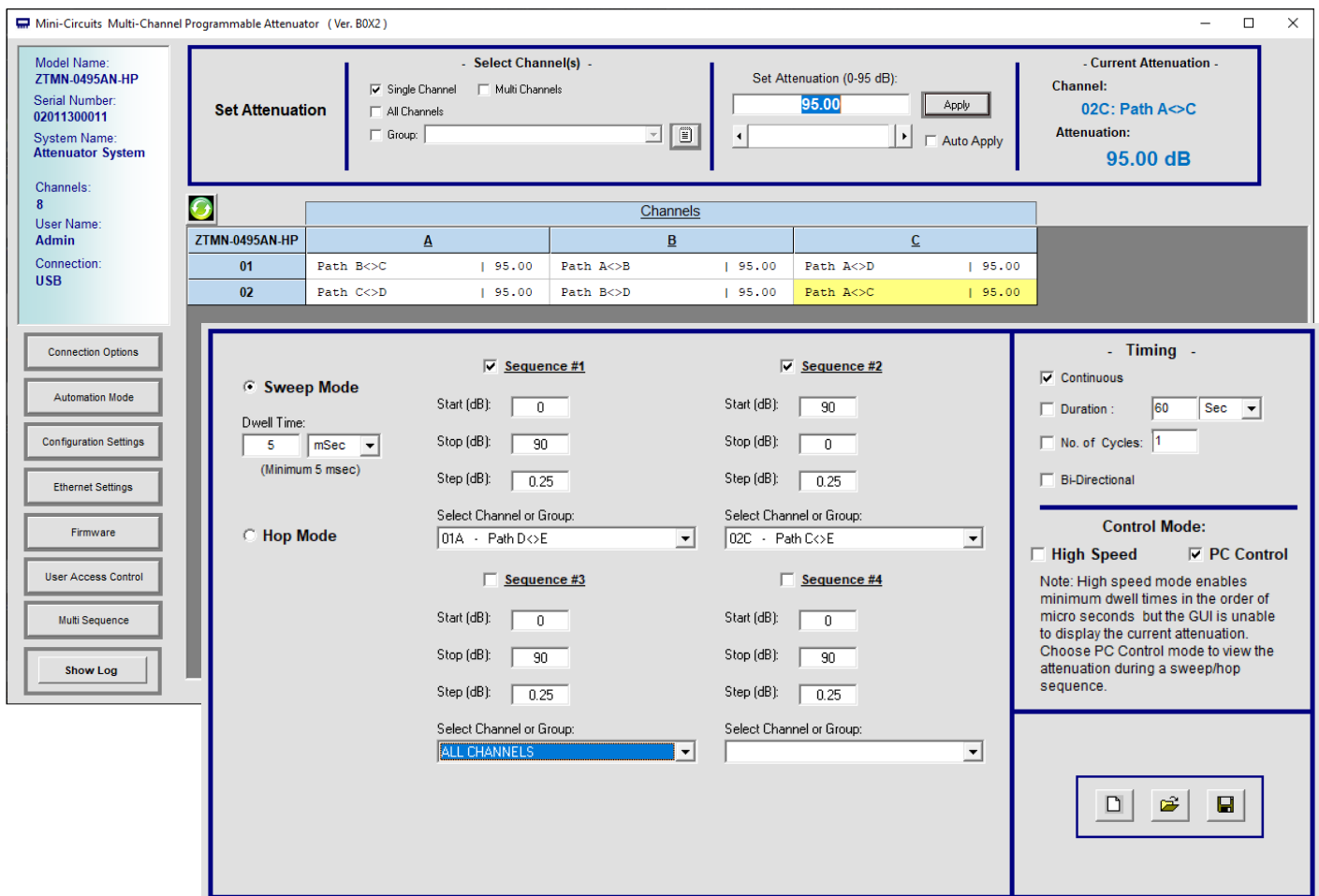
Command / Query	Description
:MN?	Read model name
:SN?	Read serial number
:FIRMWARE?	Read firmware version
: <b>[address]:[channels]:SETATT:[value]</b>	Set attenuation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [address] = Address of the attenuator module (refer to the Attenuator Path Map table)</li> <li>• [channels] = Channel number (1 to 4) within the 4-channel attenuator module. Multiple channels can be listed in a string, separated by colon (":").</li> <li>• [value] = Attenuation value to set (from 0 to 95 dB)</li> <li>• Example 01:CHAN:1:2:3:SETATT:10.25</li> </ul>
: <b>[address]:[channels]:ATT?</b>	Return a single attenuator value: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [address] = Address of the 4-channel attenuator module (refer to the Attenuator Path Map table)</li> <li>• [channels] = Channel number (1 to 4) within the 4-channel attenuator module</li> <li>• Example 01:CHAN:1:ATT?</li> </ul>

**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 attenuator values, independently or in groups
- Configure automated sweep / hop / fading sequences
- Apply custom port / path names
- Configure system and Ethernet settings





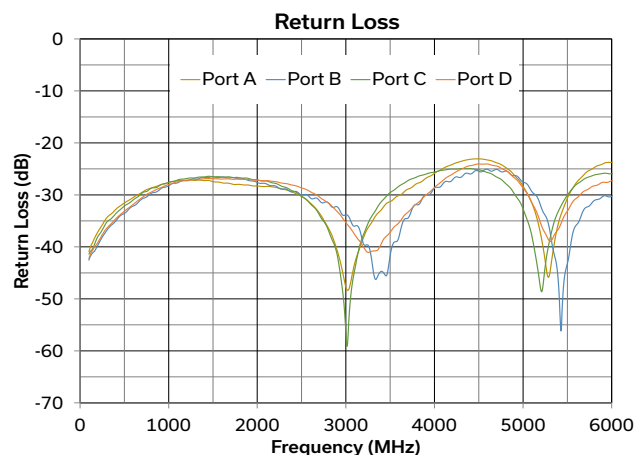
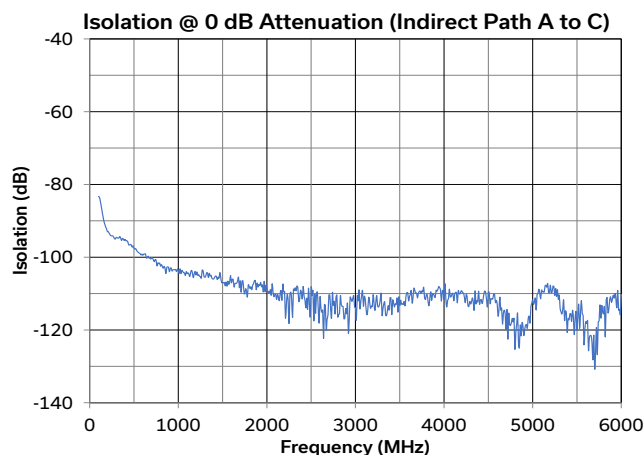
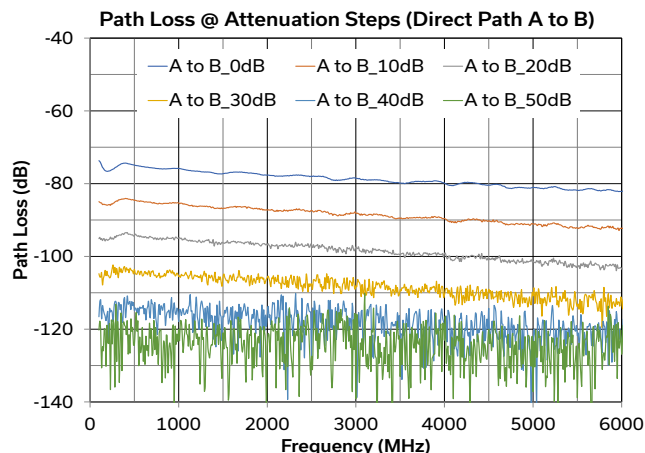
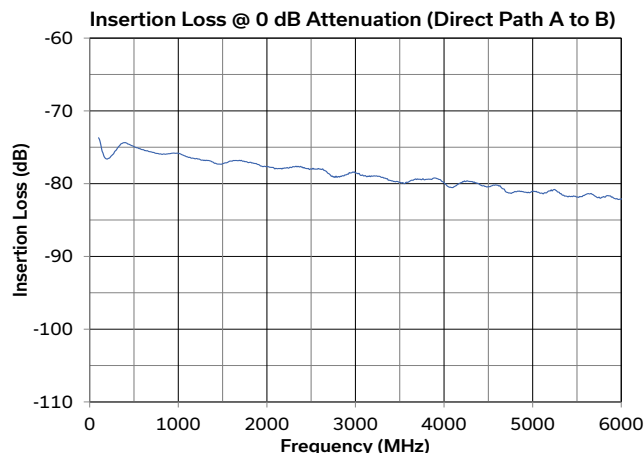
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## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE GRAPHS



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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

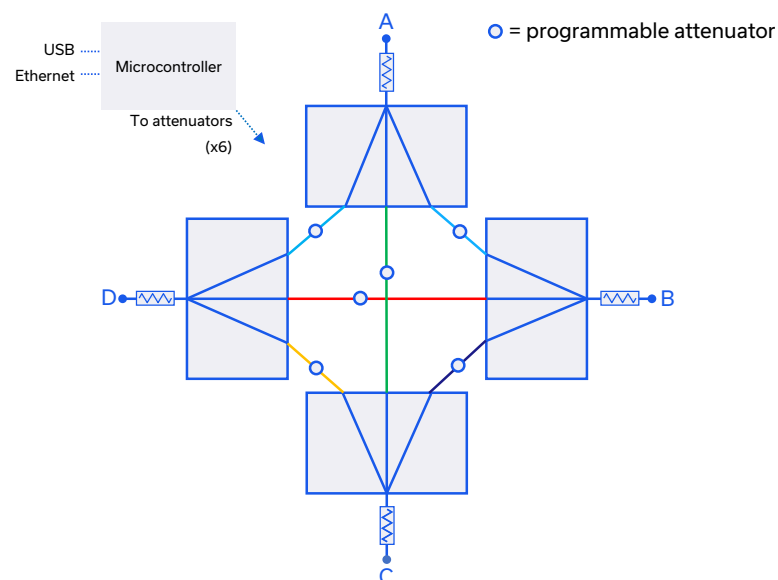
Parameter	Conditions	Limits	Units
Temperature	Operating	0 to +50	°C
	Storage	-20 to +60	
Input Power (No Damage)	Per port	50	W

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	85W maximum

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## CONNECTIONS

Port	Connector
A to D	N-type female
USB	USB type B
Ethernet / LAN	RJ45
AC Input	IEC C14 inlet

## ATTENUATOR / PATH MAP

- The mesh is constructed using 4-channel programmable attenuator blocks, addressed 01 to 02
- Each of the 4 channels within a block controls the path loss between a specific pair of ports, as shown below

	Channel 1 (A)	Channel 2 (B)	Channel 3 (C)	Channel 4 (D)
Att 01	B <-> C	A <-> B	A <-> D	Not used
Att 02	C <-> D	B <-> D	A <-> C	Not used

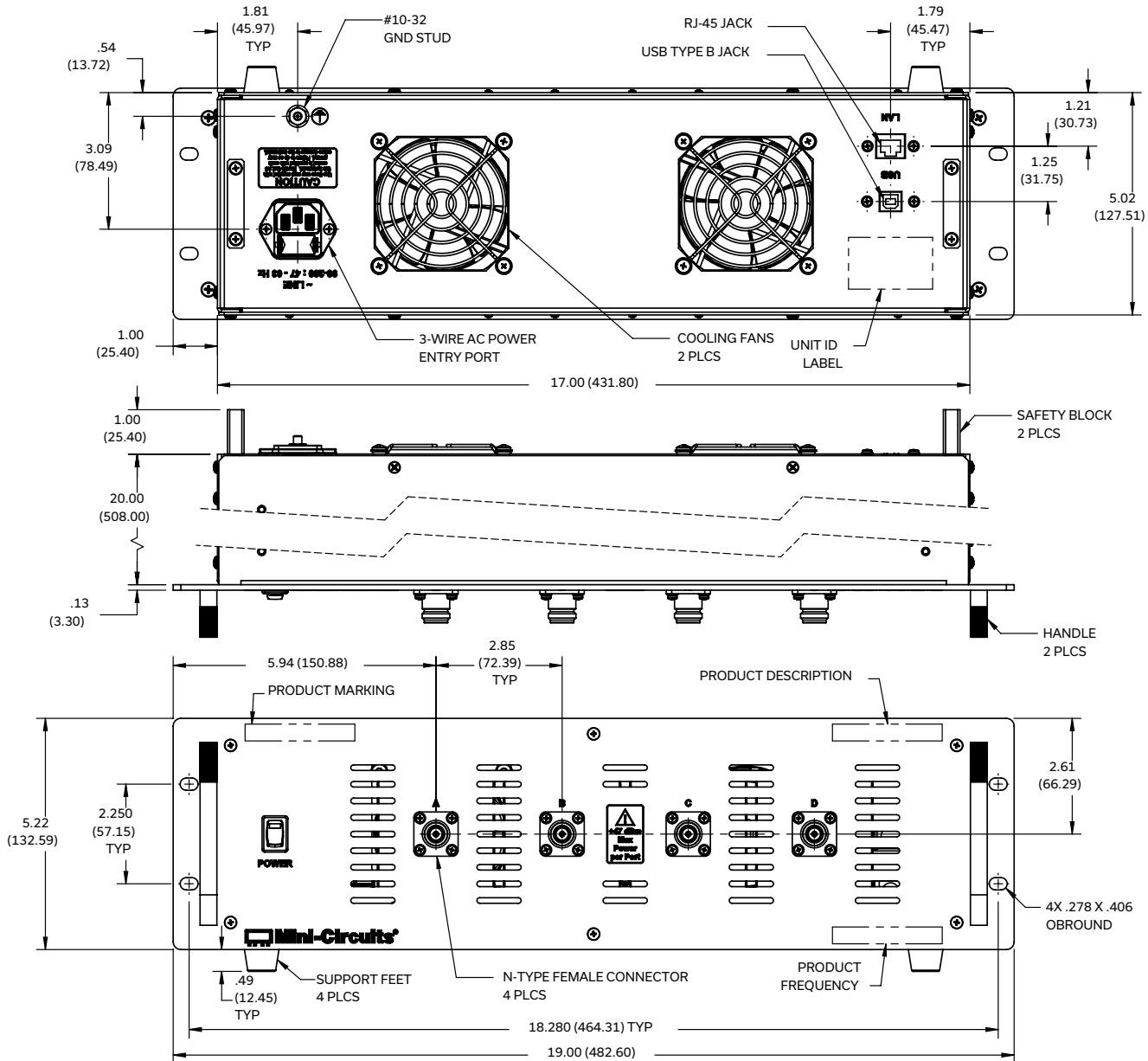


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## OUTLINE DRAWING



1. Dimensions are in inches (mm). Tolerances: 2 Pl. .03 inch; 3 Pl. .015 inch.
2. Weight: 8620 grams.

## PRODUCT MARKING\*

Product Marking: ZTMN-0495AN-HP

Product Description: 4-Port Mesh Network

Product Frequency: 350-6000 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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



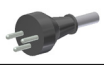
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DETAILED MODEL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE [CLICK HERE](#)

Case Style	YT3207
Software, User Guide & Programming Manual	<a href="http://www.minicircuits.com/softwaredownload/multiatt.html">www.minicircuits.com/softwaredownload/multiatt.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 <a href="mailto:testsolutions@minicircuits.com">testsolutions@minicircuits.com</a> if your region 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

## NOTES

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