

# 8-Port Mesh Network

# ZTMN-0895A

50Ω 30-3000 MHz



Model Name	Connector Type
ZTMN-0895A-S	SMA female
ZTMN-0895A-N	N-type female
ZTMN-0895A-T	TNC female

## Product Overview

Mini-Circuits’ ZTMN series mesh networks are multiport test systems with independently variable attenuation on every internal path. This concept allows simulation of a “real-world” mesh communication network within the confined space of a production 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.

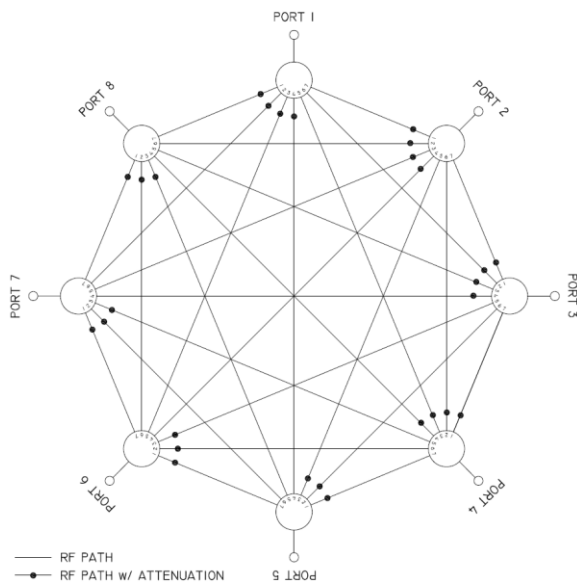
ZTMN-0895A is an 8-port mesh covering the 30-3000 MHz bands, with 0 to 95 dB attenuation range on each of the 28 internal paths. The model is housed in a compact 2U height, 19-inch rack chassis with all SMA RF connectors on the front panel. The ZTMN series also supports larger mesh network combinations, with custom attenuation and frequency ranges available on request.

The system can be controlled via USB or Ethernet (supporting SSH, HTTP & Telnet 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 (both 32-bit and 64-bit systems).

## 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 hand-overs, device failures, interference effects.
Ethernet / LAN control	Remote control from any computer or device with a network connection (SSH, HTTP or Telnet protocols).
USB HID (Human Interface Device)	Local control via USB connection. Plug-and-Play, no driver required. Compatible with Windows® or Linux® operating systems using 32 and 64 bit architectures.
Full software support	The user friendly Windows GUI (graphical user interface automation) allows manual control straight out of the box. A full API (application programming interface), programming examples and manuals are provided to allow automation in most programming environments.

## Block Diagram



## Attenuator / Path Map

- The mesh is constructed using seven 4-channel programmable attenuator blocks, addressed 01 to 07
- Each of the 4 channels within a block controls the path loss between a pair of ports, as shown below

	Channel 1 (A)	Channel 2 (B)	Channel 3 (C)	Channel 4 (D)
Att 01	5 <> 2	5 <> 3	5 <> 4	7 <> 6
Att 02	6 <> 4	6 <> 5	7 <> 4	7 <> 5
Att 03	6 <> 3	8 <> 5	8 <> 6	8 <> 7
Att 04	3 <> 7	3 <> 8	3 <> 1	3 <> 2
Att 05	4 <> 8	4 <> 1	4 <> 2	4 <> 3
Att 06	1 <> 5	1 <> 6	1 <> 7	1 <> 8
Att 07	2 <> 6	2 <> 7	2 <> 8	2 <> 1

## Mechanical Specifications

<b>Dimensions</b>	19" (W) x 2U (H) x 20" (D)			
<b>Case Drawing</b>	99-01-2312			
<b>Case Material</b>	Aluminum (with protective coating to prevent corrosion)			
<b>RF Connectors</b>	<b>Panel</b>	<b>Connector Options</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Port Labels</b>
	Front	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SMA female</li> <li>• N-type female</li> <li>• TNC female</li> </ul>	8	1 - 8
<b>Panel Items</b>	<b>Front Panel</b>		<b>Rear Panel</b>	
<b>Other Connectors</b>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AC mains power input (IEC C14 inlet)</li> <li>• USB type B socket</li> <li>• RJ45 (LAN) socket</li> </ul>	
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Power on / off switch with LED</li> <li>• Carry handles</li> </ul>			
<b>Power Supply</b>	AC mains power input (90-260 V, 47-63 Hz)			
<b>Fuse</b>	2A, 250V rating			
<b>Temperature</b>	Operating: 0 to +50 °C			

## Electrical Specifications at 25°C

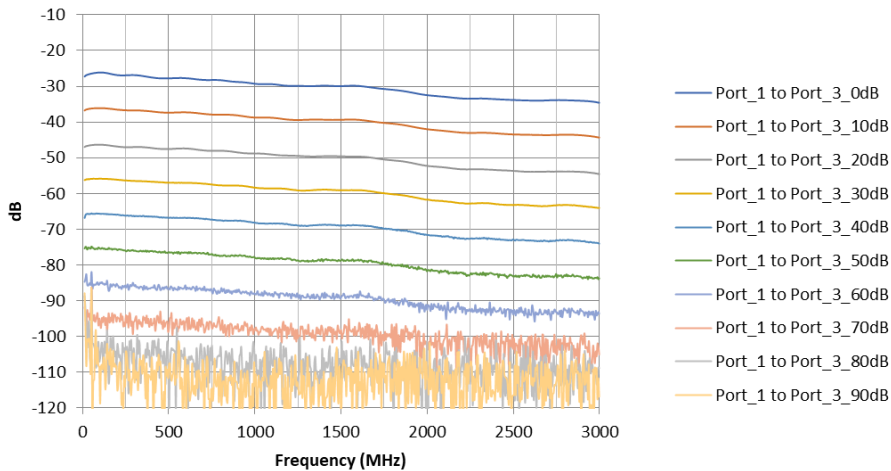
Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Frequency		30	-	3000	MHz
Path Loss	30 – 1000 MHz	-	28	32	dB
	1000 – 2000 MHz	-	31	36	
	2000 – 3000 MHz	-	34	40	
Isolation	Indirect path <sup>1</sup>	60	70	-	dB
	Direct path @ max attenuation <sup>2</sup>	85	100	-	
Return Loss		-	12	-	dB
Input Power		-	-	+27	dBm
Attenuation Range		0	-	95	dB
Attenuation Steps	0 – 90dB Range	-	0.25	-	dB
	90 – 95dB Range	-	0.50	-	
Attenuation Accuracy		-	±0.50	-	dB

Notes

1. Path loss on the indirect / unwanted path between 2 ports when all attenuators are at 0 dB
2. Path loss on the direct path between 2 ports when the attenuator in path is at 95 dB

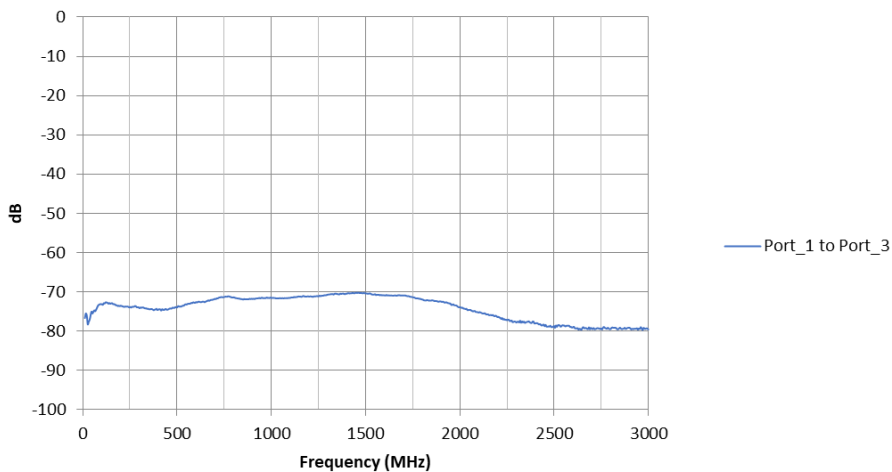
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Path Loss @ Key Attenuation Settings

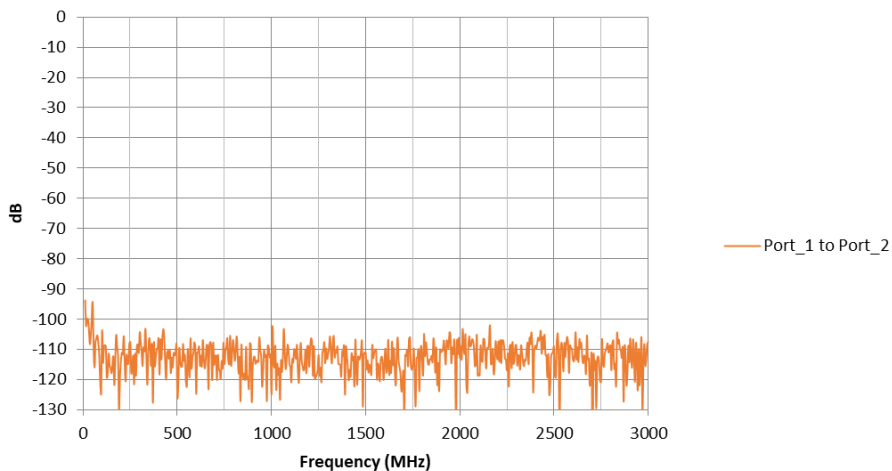


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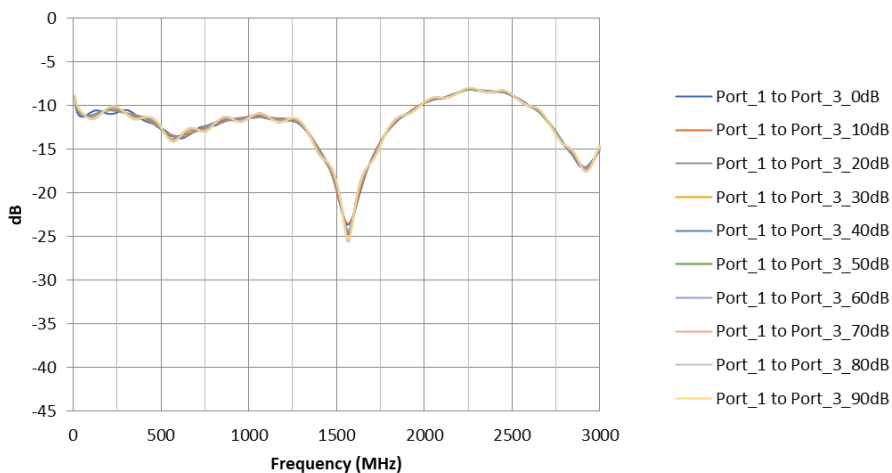
### Isolation on Indirect Path<sup>2</sup>



### Isolation on Direct Path @ Max Attenuation<sup>3</sup>



### Return Loss



## Software Specifications

### Software & Documentation Download:

- Mini-Circuits' full software and support package including user guide, Windows GUI, DLL files, programming manual and examples are available for download from: <https://www.minicircuits.com/softwaredownload/multiatt.html>
- Please contact [testsolutions@minicircuits.com](mailto:testsolutions@minicircuits.com) for support

### Minimum System Requirements:

Parameter	Requirements	
Interface	USB HID & Ethernet (HTTP & Telnet)	
System Requirements	GUI	Windows 98 or later
	USB API DLL	Windows 98 or later and programming environment with ActiveX or .NET support
	USB Direct Programming	Linux; Windows 98 or later
	Ethernet	Windows, Linux or Mac computer with a network port and Ethernet TCP / IP support
Hardware	Pentium II or later with 256 MB RAM	

### Application Programming Interface (API)

#### Ethernet Support:

- Simple ASCII / SCPI command set for attenuator control
- Communication via HTTP or Telnet
- Supported by most common programming environments

#### USB Support (Windows):

- ActiveX COM DLL file for creation of 32-bit programs
- .NET library DLL file for creation of 32 / 64-bit programs
- Supported by most common programming environments (refer to application note [AN-49-001](#) for summary of supported environments)

#### USB Support (Linux):

- Direct USB programming using a series of USB interrupt codes

Full programming instructions and examples available for a wide range of programming environments / languages.

## Graphical User Interface (GUI) for Windows - Key Features

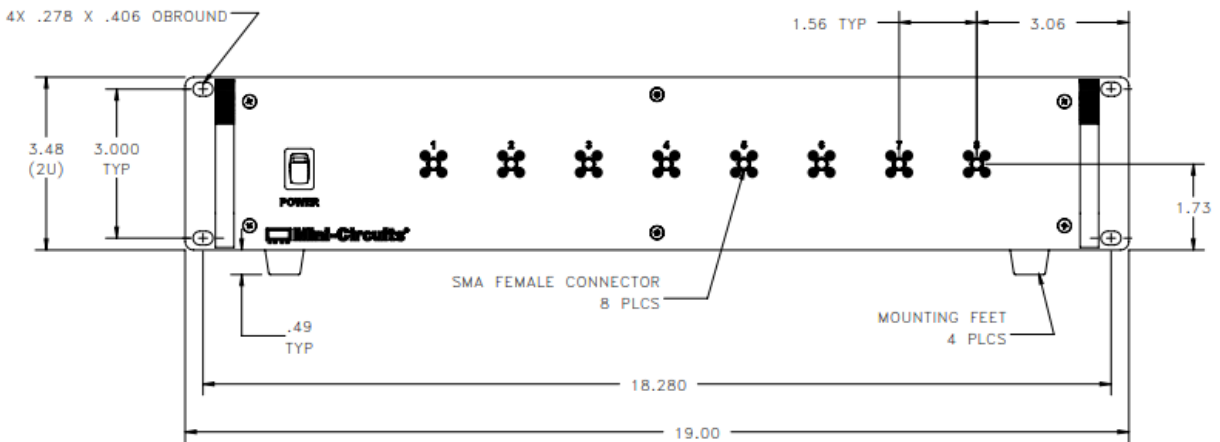
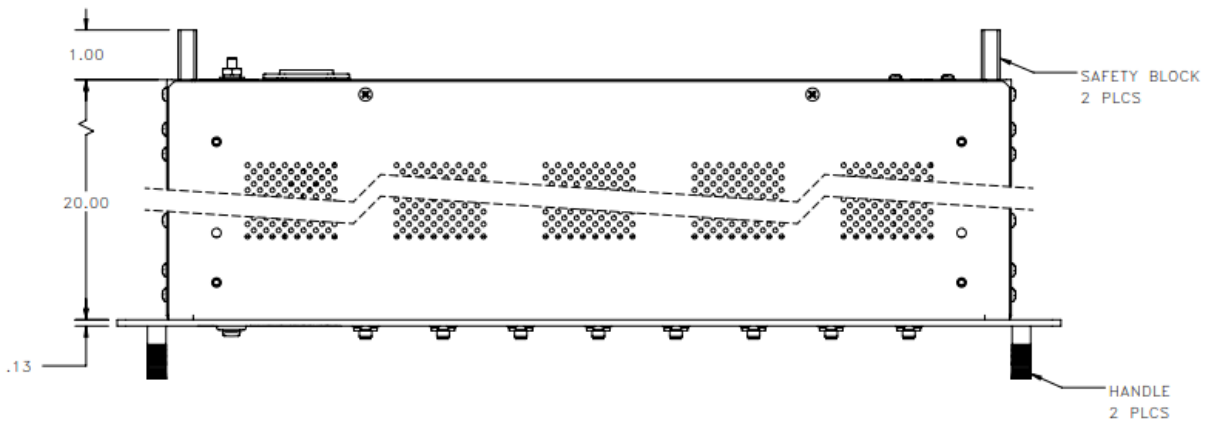
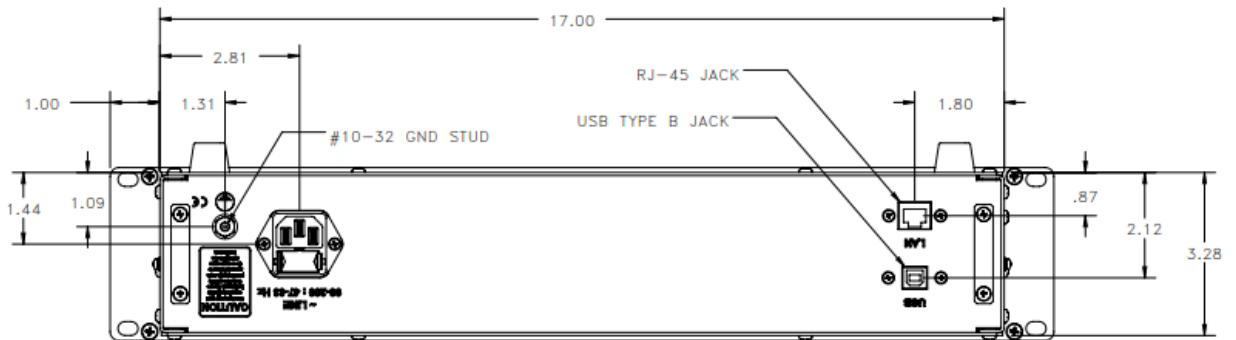
- Connect via USB or Ethernet
- Run GUI in “demo mode” to evaluate software without a hardware connection
- View and set all attenuation channels independently or in groups
- Configure automated attenuation sweep or hop sequences for groups of channels
- Configure Ethernet settings
- Upgrade firmware

ZTMN-0890A	Channels							
	A		B		C		D	
1	Path 5<>2	25.00	Path 5<>3	26.50	Path 5<>4	78.75	Path 7<>6	78.25
2	Path 6<>4	56.00	Path 6<>5	93.75	Path 7<>4	86.50	Path 7<>5	21.50
3	Path 6<>3	66.00	Path 8<>5	93.00	Path 8<>6	23.25	Path 8<>7	50.75
4	Path 3<>7	10.00	Path 3<>8	95.00	Path 3<>1	64.25	Path 3<>2	1.50
5	Path 4<>8	54.75	Path 4<>1	9.50	Path 4<>2	9.75	Path 4<>3	76.00
6	Path 1<>5	27.00	Path 1<>6	4.25	Path 1<>7	28.00	Path 1<>8	36.25
7	Path 2<>6	28.50	Path 2<>7	90.00	Path 2<>8	93.00	Path 2<>1	38.25

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## Case Drawing (99-01-2312)



## Ordering Information

Please contact Mini-Circuits' Test Solutions department for price and availability:

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## Included Accessories

Model Name	Quantity	Description
CBL-3W-xx*	1	AC power cord (IEC C13 connector to local plug)
USB-CBL-AB-7+	1	USB cable (6.8 ft)
CBL-RJ45-MM-5+	1	Ethernet cable (5 ft)
HT-4-SMA	1	SMA Cable Wrench (4 in)

Cable Model	Region
CBL-3W-US	USA
CBL-3W-EU	Europe
CBL-3W-IL	Israel
CBL-3W-UK	UK
CBL-3W-AU	Australia / China

\*Please specify one option on the purchase order, at no charge

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