

Wideband, DC Pass

# Directional Couplers

ZUDC-Series

50Ω Up to 20W 10, 15, 20, and 30 dB 2 to 18 GHz

## The Big Deal

- Wideband, 2 to 18 GHz
- Excellent Coupling Flatness,  $\pm 0.4$  dB typ.
- Power Handling up to 20W



CASE STYLE: HT2628

## Product Overview

The Mini-Circuits ZUDC family of wideband directional couplers offers exceptional performance spanning frequencies from 2 to 18 GHz. Available in models with 10, 15, 20, and 30 dB coupling, these couplers provide excellent coupling flatness, good directivity, and power handling up to 20W. They are ideal for lab testing applications as well as for power monitoring over wide bands, among other applications.

## Key Features

Feature	Advantages
Wide bandwidth	With a bandwidth spanning 2 to 18 GHz, ZUDC couplers are ideal for most lab testing applications, avoiding the need to switch components for different frequency bands.
Excellent Directivity <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 18 dB typ. up to 18 GHz</li></ul>	High directivity allows sampling of input powers with minimal detrimental effects due to output mismatches.
Excellent coupling flatness <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <math>\pm 0.4</math> dB typ. up to 18 GHz</li></ul>	Excellent coupling flatness over the entire frequency range eliminates the need for compensation circuits in most cases.
Good Return Loss <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 19 dB typ. up to 18 GHz</li></ul>	Good return loss over 2 to 18 GHz minimizes undesired reflections and resulting amplitude ripple.

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50Ω 15dB Up to 20W 2 to 18 GHz

ZUDC15-02183-S+

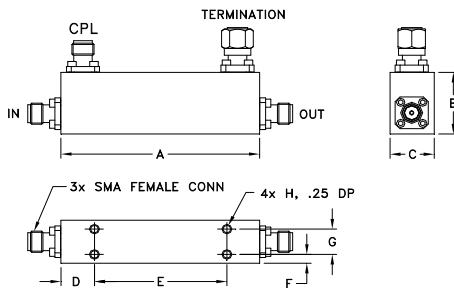
## Maximum Ratings

Operating Temperature	-55°C to 85°C
Storage Temperature	-55°C to 100°C
Supplied Termination*	1W
* Up to 50°C derate linearly to 350 mW at 100°C	
Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded	

## Coaxial Connections

INPUT	IN
OUTPUT	OUT
COUPLED	CPL
TERMINATION (50Ω) INCLUDED	—

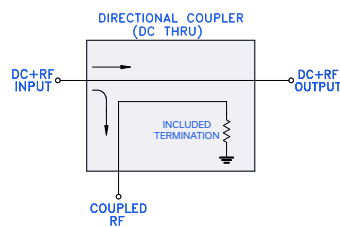
## Outline Drawing



## Outline Dimensions (inch/mm)

A	B	C	D	E
2.25	0.73	0.50	0.38	1.50
57.15	18.54	12.70	9.65	38.10
F	G	H	wt	
0.10	0.30	#4-40	grams	
2.54	7.62	UNC-2B	40	

## Electrical Schematic



## Features

- Wide frequency range, 2 to 18 GHz
- Good coupling flatness,  $\pm 0.4$  dB typ.
- Good directivity, 18 dB typ. up to 18 GHz
- Good return loss, 19 dB typ. up to 18 GHz
- DC current pass through input to output

## Applications

- Cellular infrastructure
- Military
- Lab use



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Connectors	Model
SMA-Fem	ZUDC15-02183-S+

## +RoHS Compliant

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

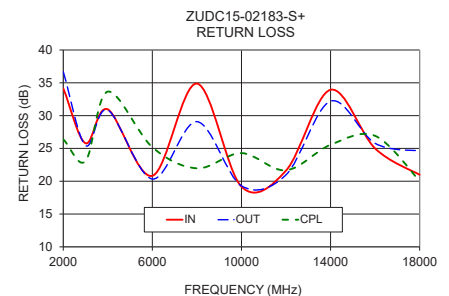
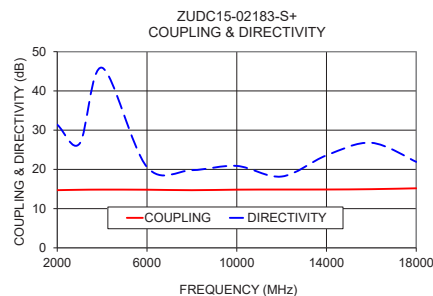
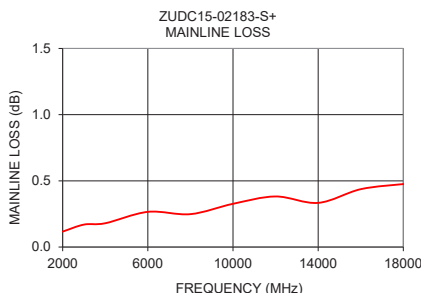
## Electrical Specifications at 25°C

Parameter	Frequency (GHz)	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Operating Frequency		2		18	GHz
Nominal Coupling	2 – 18	—	15 $\pm$ 1.25	—	dB
Coupling Flatness	2 – 18	—	$\pm 0.3$	$\pm 0.75$	dB
Mainline Loss	2 – 18	—	0.3	1.3	dB
Directivity	2 – 18	15	24	—	dB
Return Loss (In & Out)	2 – 18	14	26	—	dB
Return Loss (Coupling)	2 – 18	14	26	—	dB
Input Power**	2 – 18	—	—	20	W

\*\*Up to 85°C derate linearly to 13.7W at 100°C

## Typical Performance Data

Frequency (MHz)	Mainline Loss (dB) In-Out	Coupling (dB) In-Cpl	Directivity (dB)	Return Loss (dB) In	Return Loss (dB) Out	Cpl
2000	0.1	14.7	31.4	34.2	36.7	26.4
3000	0.2	14.8	26.6	25.8	25.4	23.1
4000	0.2	14.8	45.9	30.9	30.9	33.7
6000	0.3	14.8	20.6	20.8	20.3	25.2
8000	0.2	14.7	19.8	34.9	29.1	22.0
10000	0.3	14.8	20.9	19.2	19.3	24.3
12000	0.4	14.9	18.2	21.6	21.0	21.7
14000	0.3	14.9	23.6	33.9	32.2	25.6
16000	0.4	15.0	26.8	25.0	25.8	26.9
18000	0.5	15.2	21.9	21.0	24.6	20.0



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