## The Big Deal

- Extra long life - 10 million cycles
- Low insertion loss, 0.30 dB typ. at 18 GHz
- High isolation, 70 dB typ. at 18 GHz


CASE STYLE: FP914-3

- Absorptive
- Reliable sleep mode switching


## Product Overview

Mini-Circuits' MSP2TA-18D+ is an ultra-reliable, rugged-duty absorptive fail-safe SP2T switch designed in break-before-make configuration offering an ultra long switching life. Powered by +24VDC, the device has a typical switching speed of 20 milliseconds, insertion loss of 0.3 dB and high isolation of 70 dB . The MSP2TA-18D+ is suitable for use across a wide range of applications, including switching for automated test equipment and redundancy switching.

## Key Features

| Feature | Advantages |
| :--- | :--- |
| Extra long service life | Exceptionally long service life improves system reliability and reduces the need to replace <br> switches often. |
| High isolation, 70 dB typ. | Prevents interference from unwanted signals, ensuring signal integrity and accuracy of testing. |
| Reliable sleep-mode switching | Offers dependable performance even after being set at a fixed position for prolonged periods. <br> Highly-reliable sleep mode switching averts failures due to "wake up," making it suitable for <br> automatic testing as well as redundancy switching applications. |
| High repeatability between switching <br> cycles | High repeatability of switching cycles ensures reliable performance critical for automated testing <br> and other measurement applications. |
| 15-Pin D-Sub Connector | Easy and reliable connect/disconnect eliminating soldering and connection errors. |

$50 \Omega$ DC to $18 \mathrm{GHz}, 24$ Volt, Absorptive

Maximum Ratings

| Operating Temperature | $-15^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+45^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Storage Temperature | $-15^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| RF Power (any IN port) | 20 W |
| RF Power (any J1 and J2) | 1 W |
| Control Voltage | 26 VDC |
| Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded. |  |

Outline Drawing


3X Sma female conn

\left.| Outline Dimensions |  |  |  |  |  | (inch |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| mm |  |  |  |  |  |  |$\right)$



## Features

- extra long switching life - 100 million cycles ${ }^{4}$
- low voltage operation, 24 V
- low insertion loss, 0.3 dB typ. at 18 GHz
- high isolation, 70 dB typ. at 18 GHz
- high power handling, 20W
- ultra reliable
- break-before-make configuration
- absorptive failsafe switch
- protected by US Patents 5,272,458; 6,414,577;

6,650,210; 7,633,361; 7,843,289

## Applications

- Automatic Test Equipment (ATE)
- redundancy switching for microwave radio

Electrical Specifications

| Parameter | Condition | Min. | Typ. ( ${ }^{\text {Note 1) }}$ | Max. | Unit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Frequency Range |  | DC | - | 18 | GHz |
| Insertion Loss | $\begin{gathered} \text { DC }-1 \mathrm{GHz} \\ 1-8 \\ 8-12 \\ 12-18 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & - \\ & - \\ & - \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.10 \\ & 0.15 \\ & 0.25 \\ & 0.30 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.15 \\ & 0.30 \\ & 0.40 \\ & 0.50 \end{aligned}$ | dB |
| Isolation | $\begin{gathered} \text { DC }-1 \mathrm{GHz} \\ 1-8 \\ 8-12 \\ 12-18 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 85 \\ & 75 \\ & 70 \\ & 60 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \\ & 90 \\ & 80 \\ & 70 \end{aligned}$ | - - - - | dB |
| VSWR ${ }^{(\text {Note 2) }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { DC }-1 \mathrm{GHz} \\ 1-8 \\ 8-12 \\ 12-18 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & - \\ & - \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1.05 \\ & 1.20 \\ & 1.20 \\ & 1.15 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.10 \\ & 1.30 \\ & 1.35 \\ & 1.40 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | :1 |
| Operating Voltage Range | DC-18 GHz |  | $24 \pm 1.0$ |  | V |
| Control Signal ( ${ }^{\text {(Note 3) }}$ | 24 V | - | 175 | 215 | mA |
| RF Power Cold Switching | - | - | - | 20 | w |
| RF Power Hot Switching | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \mathrm{~W} \\ & 1.0 \mathrm{~W} \end{aligned}$ | 10 million | 3 million | - | Cycles |
| Switching Time | DC-18GHz | - | 20 | - | ms |

Notes

1. The performance values represents a common value for the frequency range. For typical performance across the frequency band, see performance graphs in the next page.
2. All ports, all states.
3. +24 Volt applied to energized port, COM is negative.
4. All units meet 10 million cyles and are capable of greater than 100 million cycles with factory cleaning.

## Switching States

DE-ENERGIZED DC=OV


ENERGIZED DC=24V


Typical Performance Data

| FREQ. <br> (MHz) | ON INSERTION LOSS (dB) |  | OFF ISOLATION (dB) |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { VSWR, IN } \\ (: 1) \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { VSWR, (J2) } \\ (: 1) \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { VSWR (J1) } \\ & \text { (:1) } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | IN-J2 | IN-J2 | IN-J1 | IN-J2 | DeEnergized | Energized | DeEnergized | Energized | DeEnergized | Energized |
| 10.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 86.92 | 90.23 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.01 |
| 100.00 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 101.44 | 104.72 | 1.00 | 1.01 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.01 |
| 1000.00 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 102.68 | 97.93 | 1.01 | 1.01 | 1.01 | 1.01 | 1.01 | 1.02 |
| 2000.00 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 100.29 | 89.71 | 1.02 | 1.03 | 1.02 | 1.02 | 1.03 | 1.05 |
| 3000.00 | 0.08 | 0.07 | 99.44 | 94.36 | 1.06 | 1.06 | 1.06 | 1.06 | 1.06 | 1.08 |
| 4000.00 | 0.09 | 0.08 | 93.35 | 96.55 | 1.09 | 1.09 | 1.09 | 1.10 | 1.09 | 1.11 |
| 5000.00 | 0.11 | 0.10 | 92.98 | 90.42 | 1.12 | 1.13 | 1.12 | 1.12 | 1.12 | 1.13 |
| 6000.00 | 0.13 | 0.11 | 98.44 | 94.76 | 1.16 | 1.18 | 1.18 | 1.18 | 1.18 | 1.14 |
| 7000.00 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 104.93 | 92.46 | 1.18 | 1.21 | 1.19 | 1.20 | 1.21 | 1.12 |
| 8000.00 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 105.64 | 91.48 | 1.14 | 1.17 | 1.15 | 1.14 | 1.17 | 1.09 |
| 9000.00 | 0.14 | 0.13 | 100.36 | 91.51 | 1.09 | 1.09 | 1.10 | 1.08 | 1.09 | 1.06 |
| 10000.00 | 0.14 | 0.13 | 92.35 | 89.45 | 1.04 | 1.04 | 1.05 | 1.04 | 1.04 | 1.06 |
| 11000.00 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 91.02 | 91.97 | 1.04 | 1.04 | 1.05 | 1.06 | 1.04 | 1.07 |
| 12000.00 | 0.17 | 0.16 | 98.57 | 78.50 | 1.10 | 1.08 | 1.10 | 1.09 | 1.08 | 1.12 |
| 13000.00 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 82.82 | 89.80 | 1.19 | 1.17 | 1.17 | 1.17 | 1.18 | 1.20 |
| 14000.00 | 0.25 | 0.22 | 84.16 | 89.36 | 1.27 | 1.26 | 1.27 | 1.26 | 1.27 | 1.30 |
| 15000.00 | 0.30 | 0.25 | 84.72 | 83.73 | 1.32 | 1.32 | 1.31 | 1.29 | 1.32 | 1.37 |
| 16000.00 | 0.32 | 0.25 | 80.73 | 79.61 | 1.31 | 1.32 | 1.32 | 1.28 | 1.31 | 1.37 |
| 17000.00 | 0.30 | 0.25 | 77.82 | 81.23 | 1.30 | 1.23 | 1.27 | 1.21 | 1.21 | 1.33 |
| 18000.00 | 0.31 | 0.26 | 76.06 | 78.10 | 1.27 | 1.17 | 1.26 | 1.19 | 1.15 | 1.29 |



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