# MICROWAVE TEST ACCESSORIES

Coaxial Step Attenuators

HP 355 Series, 8494/5/6/7 Series, 11716 Series

- Excellent repeatability
- · Manual and programmable

- Test data available
- Five million cycles per section reliability



## DC to 1000 MHz Programmable and Manual Step Attenuators

#### HP 355C/D/E/F

- · Precision attenuation from dc to 1000 MHz
- 355C/E provide 0 to 12 dB in 1 dB steps
- · 355D/F provide 0 to 120 dB in 10 dB steps
- · All standard models use standard BNC RF connectors
- · Programmable models (E/F) use 7-pin connectors

## DC to 4, 18, and 26.5 GHz Programmable and Manual Step Attenuators HP 8494A/B/G/H (0 to 11 dB, 1 dB steps) HP 8495A/B/D/G/H/K (0 to 70 dB, 10 dB steps)

HP 8497K (0 to 90 dB, 10 dB steps) Hewlett-Packard attenuators offer exceptional repeatability and relability in a wide range of attenuation, frequency, and connector

options. · SMA (f), Type-N (f), 7 mm and 3.5 mm (f) RF connectors

HP 8496A/B/G/H (0 to 110 dB, 10 dB steps)

· DC to 4 GHz, dc to 18 GHz, and dc to 26.5 GHz models

· Permanent magnet latching design and automatic de current interrupts simplify programmable model drive circuit design

Each attenuator contains three or four cascaded attenuator sections; edge-line contacts insert and remove attenuator sections as needed. Precsion gold-plated leaf springs ensure long life (over 5 million cycles) and very high attenuator repeatability (typically 0.01 dB). Programmable models (G, H, and K suffixes) feature fast-switching solenoids; attenuation programming is done through a 12-pin connector.

To improve measurement accuracy in manual and automated test systems, NIST traceable data (SWR and attenuation) is available as Option 890. Generated on an HP 8510 network analyzer, this option offers swept data for each attenuator step in 250 MHz steps from 1500 MHz to 26.5 GHz (upper frequency varies by model).

To simplify connecting programmable attenuators to the drive circuit, each unit is supplied with a 5-ft cable assembly. With an HP 11713A attenuator driver, or an HP 70611 driver for MMS-based systems, the attenuators are easily integrated into a Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus (HP-IB) automated system.

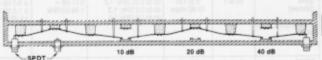


Figure 1. 70 dB plus SPDT.

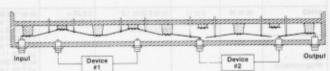


Figure 2. Dual transfer switch showing device #2 inserted in signal path.

## Custom Attenuator and Switch Combinations

Custom step attenuator/switch combinations are possible with the HP 8494/5/6/7 attenuator family. Examples can be as simple as adding a SPDT switch section to a standard 70 dB attenuator (Figure 1) or creating a dual transfer switch (Figure 2).

## HP 11716A/B/C Attenuator Interconnect Kits

Ouickly and conveniently connect 1 dB step and 10 dB step attenuators together to achieve greater dynamic range with 1 dB steps. The 11716A/ B/C interconnect kits contain a rigid RF cable, mounting bracket, and necessary hardware to connect any pair of HP 8494/5/6/7 attenuators in series (see photo above). Attenuators must be ordered separately.

#### Key Literature

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Ordering Information
HP 11716A Interconnect Kit (Type-N)
HP 11716C Interconnect Kit (SMA)

For off-the-shelf shipment, call 800-452-4844.

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