

UHF Interferometer

Product Code: DF-A0100

100 – 500 MHz

VERSION: 1.3







PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:

The DF-A0100 is single band 100 to 500 MHz antenna array for use in high precision DF applications. The antenna features hardening against lightning-induced surges with an optional lightning conductor attachment available for added protection. Alternately, an optional omni-directional monitoring antenna attachment can be used to provide an additional monitoring channel.

The full-size elements give excellent DF sensitivity. Ultimate angular resolution for strong signals is well under 1°. Dipole elements provide good crosspolarisation rejection, and fair performance for signals arriving from above or below the horison.

This DF antenna is designed to be used with a 5channel phase-sensitive receiver, and correlative algorithm. Calibration of the antenna can be performed on request.

RELATED PRODUCTS:

DF-A0101: Calibration switch (see pane) DF-A0102: Calibration and commutation switch MISC-A0088: Lightning conductor attachment OMNI-A0274: Monitoring antenna attachment

SPECIFICATIONS:

Electrical: DF		
Frequency range	100 – 500 MHz	
Channels/elements	5	
DF method	Correlative interferometer	
RMS accuracy	< 1 ° (see note 1)	
Polarisation	Vertical	
Omni-output	With optional monitoring antenna attachment	
Nominal input impedance	50 Ω	
Interfaces:		
Antenna outputs	5 x TNC(m) pigtails extending 0.2 m from switch interface flange	
Mechanical	Flange for tower/shelter mounting Switch interface flange	
Mechanical:		
Dimensions (ø x h)	1480 mm x 2135 mm 2000 mm x 2120 mm (with MISC-A0088)	
Total mass	< 50 kg	
Environmental: designed	to meet the following s	specifications
Wind survival	180 km/h (without ice)	
Temperature (operation)	-40 °C to +70 °C	
Lightning	Protected against lightning induced surges Optional lightning conductor attachment (MISC-A0088) will provide a measure of protection against direct strikes (see note 2)	
Humidity	95%, non-condensing	
Water proofing	IP65 rain proof	
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Electrical: optional RF sv	vitches (see 'related nro	oducts')
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Switching function	Switch between	5-to-3 channel
	calibration signal	commutation, switch
	and antenna outputs	between calibration
	and antonia calputo	signal and selected
		antenna channels
Control	RS 485 115 kbaud	RS 485 115 kbaud
		Commutation strobe
		line (RS485 levels,
		differential pair)
Commutation speed	N/A	< 15µs
Switching time	< 100 μs using serial commands	
RF interface (inputs)	5 x TNC(f) bulkhead (antenna inputs)	
	1 x N(f) bulkhead (ext. cal signal)	
RF interface (outputs)	5 x N(f) bulkhead	3 x N(f) bulkhead
Stored information	Model no., serial no., user data fields	

Notes:

RF calibration

Power supply

Power consumption

Lightning protection

Only in a phase and amplitude correlative system. RMS accuracy is measured over all azimuth using 1° characterization table, calculated per frequency point. A suitable SNR is required to accomplished specified accuracy.

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19 - 36 V DC

- Internal wideband noise source

< 0.7 A (noise source off)

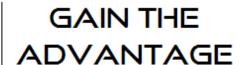
- External calibration signal injection

All interfaces protected with inline surge

Lightning conductor attachment will allow the antenna and switch to survive direct strikes of a limited magnitude. Severe strikes will still cause damage.

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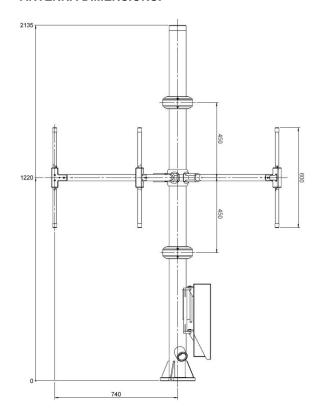
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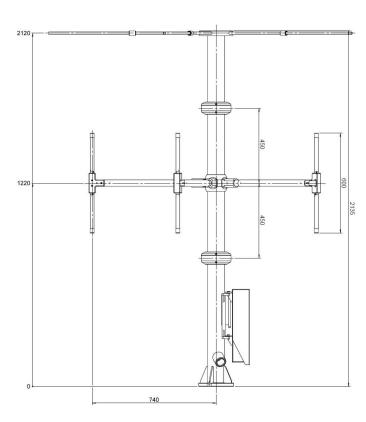
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ANTENNA DIMENSIONS:









INCLUDING MISC-A0088 LIGHTNING CONDUCTOR



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SENSITIVITY:

