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VERSION: 1.3


## PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:

The DF-A0157 is a high-speed, 4-band switch intended for direction finding applications. It accepts four frequency bands, each with five antenna elements, and outputs the elements of any one band to the corresponding five RF outputs. The switch is controlled via an RS-485 serial interface to allow remote control over a distance of up to 500 m . All switching is solid state for rapid and unlimited switching cycles.

The DF-A0157 includes an internal noise source as well as an external input for chain calibration purposes. Either the internal noise source or the external calibration input may be selected to simultaneously inject a balanced signal in place of the antenna inputs and thereby correct errors caused by variations in the system's RF path.

## PRODUCT FEATURES:

- DF switch
- 4-band switch
- External injection mode for chain calibration
- Internal chain calibration noise source, selectable with either inline amplifier or with the amplifier bypassed.
- Low noise amplifier on each channel with passive bypass capability
High-speed solid state switching
- Monitoring
- Single-channel amplifier
- Low noise pre-amplifier on input
- DC-injection to power upper stages
- Advanced input stages:
- ESD protection
- Advanced output stages:
- Output amplifiers for long cables
- Cable slope correction on amplifiers
- ESD protection


## APPLICATIONS:

- DF band switching and monitoring channel amplification for our range of DF antennas, particularly DF-A0062 and DF-A0095 (5-element DF interferometers)
- For outdoor applications, DF-A0157 should be ordered in conjunction with DF-A0057-03 (outdoor housing for DF switches)


## High-Speed DF Antenna Band Switch

$20-6000 \mathrm{MHz}$
Product Code: DF-A0157

## SPECIFICATIONS:

| Product codes: |  |  |
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| DF-A0157 |  | 4-band switch |
| Electrical - DF chain: |  |  |
| Frequency range |  | 20-6000 MHz |
| Frequency bands |  | Band A: $20-500 \mathrm{MHz}$; <br> Band B: $100-1400 \mathrm{MHz}$; <br> Band C: $500-3600 \mathrm{MHz}$; <br> Band D: $2000-6000 \mathrm{MHz}$ |
| Channels per band |  | 5 |
| Input VSWR |  | <2.5:1 |
| Gain | 100 MHz | $20 \pm 2 \mathrm{~dB}$ |
|  | 3 GHz | $24 \pm 2 \mathrm{~dB}$ |
|  | 6 GHz | $25 \pm 2 \mathrm{~dB}$ |
| Noise figure |  | $<13 \mathrm{~dB}$ |
| OIP3 (typical) | 100 MHz | 28 dBm active, 32 dBm passive |
|  | 3 GHz | 28 dBm active, 31 dBm passive |
|  | 6 GHz | 26 dBm active, 31 dBm passive |
| Maximum input level |  | $20 \mathrm{dBm} \mathrm{CW}, 30 \mathrm{dBm}$ pulse, passive |
| Electrical - calibration chain: |  |  |
| Gain |  |  |
| Amplitude unbalance |  | $<2 \mathrm{~dB}$ |
| Phase unbalance |  | $<15^{\circ}$ |
| Maximum input level |  | 20 dBm passive |
| Internal noise source power output |  | $66 \pm 4 \mathrm{~dB}$ ENR |
| Electrical - monitoring: |  |  |
| Frequency range |  | $20-6000 \mathrm{MHz}$ |
| Input VSWR |  | < 2.5 :1 |
| Gain | 100 MHz | $20 \pm 2 \mathrm{~dB}$ |
|  | 3 GHz | $24 \pm 2 \mathrm{~dB}$ |
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| Maximum input level |  | $20 \mathrm{dBm} \mathrm{CW}, 30 \mathrm{dBm}$ pulse |
| DC power injection |  | +13.8 V DC, 150 mA (max.) |
| Power and control interface: |  |  |
| Power supply |  | $19-36 \mathrm{~V}$ DC, 1.2 A at 24V |
| Control interface |  | RS-485 |
| Switching time |  | $<50 \mu \mathrm{~S}$ |
| Time to receive control byte (RS-485, 115.2 kbps$)$ |  | < $100 \mu \mathrm{~S}$ |
| Total switching time |  | $<150 \mu \mathrm{~S}$ |
| Mechanical: |  |  |
| RF connectors | input | $22 \times$ SMA female |
|  | output | $6 \times$ SMA female |
| Dimension |  | $317 \mathrm{~mm} \times 168 \mathrm{~mm} \times 80 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| Total mass |  | $<4 \mathrm{~kg}$ |
| Material |  | Aluminium |
| Environmental: designed to meet the following specifications |  |  |
| Temperature range |  | $-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Vibration |  | $0.02 \mathrm{~g}^{2} / \mathrm{Hz}, 2-300 \mathrm{~Hz}$ |
| Shock |  | 40 G for 10 ms |
| Thermal shock |  | $-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Water ingress rating |  | IP54 |

