

RF ATTENUATION MEASUREMENT

30 MHz Receiver

- Dynamic range in excess of 127 dB
- Rack mount kit available
- Resolution down to 0.001 dB
- +/- 0.060 dB accuracy
- Built-in diagnostic software
- Very fast and easy to use



The TEGAM Model VM-7 offers users great flexibility in configuring a measuring system cost-effectively. Since the VM-7 is a 30 MHz receiver, it may be easily adapted to any frequency range with the addition of an appropriate external mixer and local oscillator.

FEATURES INCLUDE:

Advanced Techniques

The Model VM-7 uses advanced digital and analog techniques in a series IF substitution configuration, offering a dynamic range in excess of 127 dB. The unit is also fully bus controllable.

A combination of switched gain and attenuation stages are distributed throughout the receiver. An A/D is used in place of the classic piston attenuator to provide the receiver's unique linearity and accuracy.

The unit is configured as a dual-conversion receiver. A digitally-controlled phase lock loop at the first conversion allows the receiver to deal effectively with less desirable signals, as well as clean, synthesized signals.

Final synchronous detection is handled digitally allowing the receiver to achieve resolution down to 0.001 dB. Variations in signal-to-noise ratio are not handled by injection of noise as in previous receivers of this type. This is now handled in the post detection signal processing using a noise algorithm.

Reliability

The VM-7 has undergone extensive testing on production units so that customers will be ensured excellent reliability in service. Special attention has been paid to cooling requirements, significantly extending component life.

User Friendly

Through the use of "soft key" user interface, the operator is guided through the use of the instrument. A "Help" function provides information on key operation, precluding the need to refer to the manual in most cases.

Performance

The VM-7 offers dynamic range of 127 dB when using the narrowband mode. Single step measurements are possible over the full dynamic range because the receiver is not encumbered by mechanically switched range changes. The excellent accuracy built into the receiver translates into an accuracy of ±0.060 dB for a single-step 100 dB measurement.

Speed of Operation

Advanced digital detection and processing techniques means that measurements are a vailable instantaneously, no matter what the dynamic range or resolution.

Self Calibration

A built-in self calibration routine allows for automatic calibration of the switched gain and attenuator stages in order to maintain the exceptional accuracy of the instrument.

Diagnostics and Service

Complete diagnostic software has been built into the instrument to allow a technician to easily find a fault. Should repair become necessary, every module can be easily removed through the rear panel.

Rack Mounting

This instrument can be stacked easily with other TEGAM instruments or mounted in any cabinet or rack designed according to MIL-STD-189 or EIA RS-310 using the appropriate rack mounting kit.

System Configuration

The Model VM-7 is easily configured into an attenuation measuring system with the addition of the Model 8852 Frequency Converter and an RF signal source. This system is capable of performing attenuation measurements from 0.01 to 18 GHz. The Frequency range can be extended even farther to 40 GHz with the addition of the Model 8853 Frequency Converter. For detailed specifications and a block diagram of such a system refer to the Model 8850 Attenuation Measurement System data sheet.



ADVANCED 30 MHZ RECEIVER

Input Frequency	30 +/- 2 MHz wideband		30 +/- 0.250 MHz narrowband
Sensitivity	110 dBm wideband		127 dBm narrowband
Dynamic Range	110 dB wideband		127 dB narrowband
Incremental Accuracy @ 30 MHz* Wideband	RANGE 0 to -90 dB -90 to -100 dB		### ACCURACY* ±0.02 dB per 10 dB ±0.04 dB per 10 dB
Narrowband	0 to -100 dB -100 to -110 d -110 to -120 d	=	±0.02 dB per 10 dB ±0.04 dB per 10 dB ±0.12 dB per 10 dB
Incremental Linearity @ 30 MHz*	RANGE (Repeatability 0 to -10 dB -10 to -100 dB -100 to -110 d -110 to -120 d * Exclusive of Sign	В	± 0.005 dB ± 0.01 dB per 10 dB ± 0.005 dB per 10 dB ± 0.02 dB per 10 dB ± 0.08 dB per 10 dB
Automatic Frequency Control	Output level ±10 V maximum		
Calibration Source	Internal or External, 30 MHz, at -55 dBm typical		
Int. 10 MHz Reference Oscillator	Frequency Accuracy 0.0025 %		
Ext. 10 MHz Reference Oscillator Requirements	Frequency Accuracy 0.0050 % (8 dBm ±2 db Input Level)		
Input Connectors	30 MHz Input Type N Female 10 MHz Reference Input BNC Female		
Remote Operation	All front panel functions except powerline operation can be programmed on the IEEE-488 interface bus		
Power Requirements	100, 120, 220, 240 VAC ±10 % @ 50 to 60 Hz		
Power Consumption	90 Watts		
Remote Programmability	Compatible with IEEE-488 STD-1987.1		
EMI	Designed to meet MIL-STD-461 for radiated emission and susceptibility		
Design and Construction	Designed to meet requirements of MIL-STD-28800D TYPE III, CLASS 5, STYLE E		
Environmental	Operating Storage Humidity	0 °C to +50 °C (+32 °F t -40 °C to +75 °C (-40 °F 95 %	·
Physical Dimensions	Height Width Depth Weight	133.4 mm (5.25 in) 425.5 mm (16.75 in) 444.5 mm (17.5 in) 12.7 kg (28 lb)	
Included Accessories Power Cord Manual			P/N 068-21 P/N IM180

Optional Accessories

Rack Mounting

This instrument can be rack mounted in any cabinet or rack designed according to MIL-STD-189 or EIA RS-310 using rack mounting kit P/N 187-1007 (adapter ears only) or 187-1008 (contains chassis slides for racks up to 18-24 inches deep).

Maintenance Extender Cards

To make it easier to verify the performance of the VM-7, TEGAM offers two maintenance extender cards as follows:

Type: Digital P/N 187-1020-000 Type: Analog P/N 187-1021-000 Spare Module Kit P/N 187-1030

This kit includes all replaceable module assemblies that can be easily replaced at any location.

SureCAL Software P/N 8850-SURECAL