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GENERAL INFORMATION

Calibration Kit Description

This series of **2.92mm** coaxial calibration kits is designed to provide accurate calibrations of network analyzers in the **DC to 40.0 GHz** range. Each of these kits includes all the necessary calibration standards and associated hardware needed for the accurate calibration of most network analyzers.

Refer to the ***Calibration Kits Contents*** section (see Appendix, Date Sheet Resources) for information on included components and available kit options.

NOTE: This document, calibration constants software, and data sheet can be downloaded from our website: maurymw.com

NOTE: Legacy analyzer software is not on our website but is available for purchase.

Maintenance

This calibration kit is relatively maintenance free if the components are handled with the same care that is appropriate to all precision equipment. As with any precision component, proper care should be taken to assure clean mating surfaces, correct alignment when mating, and proper torquing of connectors or waveguide coupling screws. To help maintain the integrity of the components in this kit, routine visual inspection and cleaning of mating surfaces is recommended. Failure to do so may result in degraded repeatability and accuracy, as well as damage any mated devices.

Calibration

To maintain verification that a calibration kit is performing to traceable specifications, we recommend that all kits be periodically returned to Maury Microwave for calibration. The typical calibration cycle is one year, although actual need may vary depending on usage.

Supporting Test Port Adapters

When configuring a test setup, be sure that damaging stresses are not applied to the connectors on the test set. This is particularly critical when the attached components are heavy or long. Always properly support the test port adapters being used.

Electrostatic Discharge Precautions

Protection against electrostatic discharge (ESD) is essential while inspecting, cleaning, or making connections to connectors attached to a static-sensitive circuit, such as those found inside test sets.

When handling the connectors on the test set, be aware that you are coming in contact with exposed center conductors that are connected directly to the static-sensitive internal circuits of the network analyzer. Make sure that you and your equipment are well-grounded before inspecting, cleaning, or making connections to test set ports. Standard ESD precautions, such as the use of grounded wrist straps and grounded antistatic mats, are recommended.



Connector Description

The **2.92mm** connector is a precision miniature air line interface connector that operates mode free to 40 GHz. It is mechanically compatible with SMA and 3.5mm connectors. The 2.92mm connector was originally introduced by Maury in 1974 as the MPC3 connector and reintroduced by Anritsu in 1984 as the 'K' connector, as it is now known today.

Connector Care

Precision connectors must be handled carefully if accurate calibrations and measurements are to be obtained. All connectors should be inspected prior to each use. For optimum measurement results, all interfaces should be visually inspected under magnification and cleaned on a regular basis. Proper connector contact pin depths should also be verified through regular inspections using a connector gage, such as the Maury Microwave **A050A** connector gage kit, to insure that the connectors on both calibration devices and devices under test (DUTs) have contact pin depths within recommended tolerances. Refer to Maury data sheet **5E-063** (available on our website) for proper pin depth specifications.

- Care should be used whenever aligning connectors. Tighten connector coupling nuts using an appropriate torque wrench while holding the opposing connector with an open-end wrench.
- When disconnecting devices, take care not to rock or bend any of the connections. Disconnect devices by disengaging the coupling nuts and gently pulling the connectors apart in a straight line.
- Always use protective covers on all connectors when devices are not in use.
- Should a connector become damaged, it should be repaired before it is used any further or replaced immediately. A damaged connector can damage other mated connectors.



Connector Tightening

Damage to a calibration device or attaching connector can occur if the device is turned instead of the connector nut. ALWAYS turn the nut when making connections. Never turn the device itself.

Always use a torque wrench (Maury model **8799A1**) to final-tighten all connections. This will insure calibration accuracy and measurement repeatability.

When making connections, a **5/16 inch** open-end wrench or a **7/16 inch** open-end wrench may be required to hold the body of one device stationary while torquing the nut on the other device or cable. Both of these open-end wrenches are supplied with this calibration kit for this purpose.

Using the torque wrench:

- Hand-tighten the connection to be torqued by holding the calibration device steady and turning only the nut.
- Hold the torque wrench with your thumb and index finger, behind the groove in the handle (see **Figure 1**).
- Tighten the connection until the ball in the handle crests on the cam (as the handle begins to break). Do not “fully break” the handle of the torque wrench to reach the specified torque.
- Reverse the previous procedure to disconnect the connection.

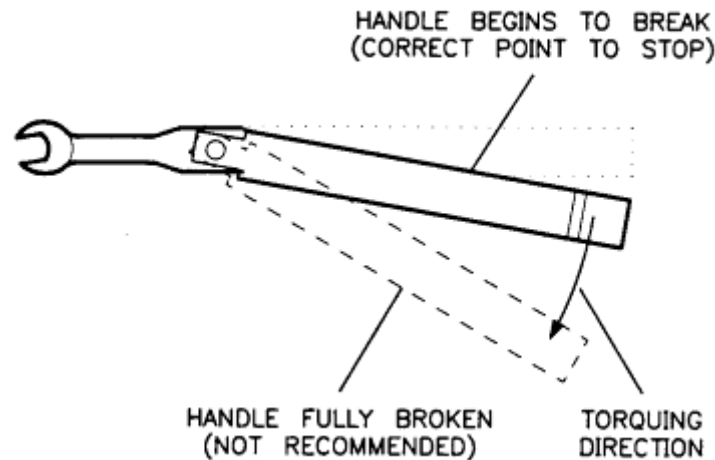


Figure 1. Using the Torque Wrench



Description of Sliding Terminations

The Sliding Terminations cover the frequency range of **4 to 40 GHz** and travel $\lambda/2$ wave at **4 GHz**. They also incorporate a mechanical design for the following operation:

- **“Flush Set Adjustment”** – allows the center contact to be flush set to the outer conductor connector reference plane by means of a simple screw adjustment.
- **“Pull Back Mechanism”** – allows the center conductor to be unlocked so that it can be easily engaged with the mating conductor and then returned to its locked or flush set position.
- Refer to **Figure 2** and **Figure 3** which show the sliding termination in its locked and unlocked positions, respectively.

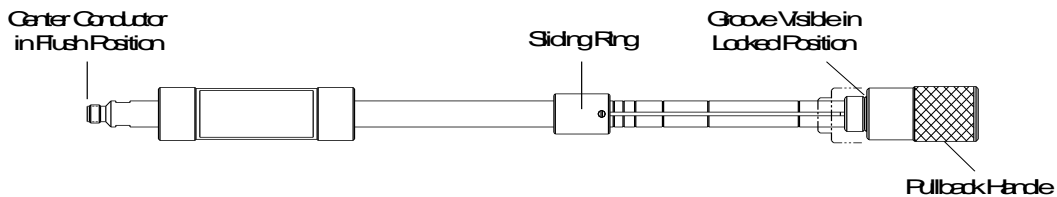


Figure 2. Sliding Termination in Locked Position

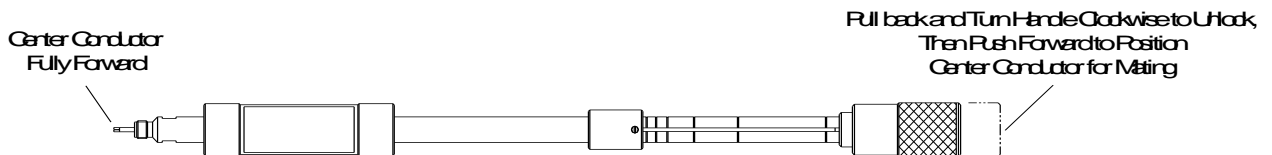


Figure 3. Sliding Termination in Unlocked Position (Center Conductor Fully Forward)

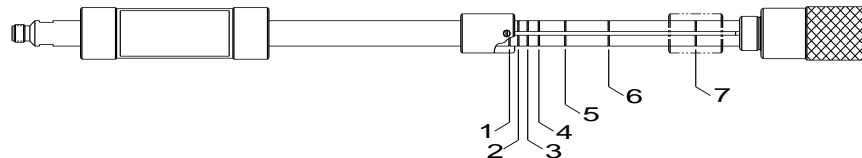


Figure 4. Sliding Ring Positions



Gauging the Sliding Terminations

1. Gauge the sliding termination before each use using a model **A050A** connector gage.
2. Zero the connector gage according to its operating instructions.

CAUTION: *The sliding termination center conductor can be damaged if the sliding termination is not held in line when mating to the connector gage. Always line up the sliding termination when connecting or removing it from the connector gage.*

3. Remove the protective end cap from the sliding load. Release the center conductor pullback mechanism by pulling the handle back and turning clockwise as viewed from the rear. Carefully move the handle toward the connector end of the sliding termination (the center conductor will extend beyond the end of the connector) and move the sliding ring fully forward.
4. Keep the center conductor extended by holding the center conductor pullback mechanism toward the connector end of the sliding termination. Align the sliding termination with the mating connector gage and mate the sliding termination center conductor with the gage center conductor.
5. Release your hand from the center conductor pullback and move the body of the sliding termination toward the gage to mate the outer conductor of the sliding termination with the outer conductor of the gage connector. Torque the connector to **8 in-lb (90 N-cm)** with the model **8799A1** torque wrench.
6. Pull the center conductor pullback handle back and then turn counter clockwise to lock.
7. The typical pin depth setting of the sliding load is **-0.00005 to -0.00020 inch**. If the pin depth is out of this range, complete the following procedure to adjust the pin depth setting.

The pin depth setting of the center conductor can be adjusted through the hole at the rear of the pullback handle. Using the special adjusting tool (model number **8777S02**); gently turn the center conductor pin depth adjustment screw until the gage pointer reads **-0.0001 inch**.

CAUTION: *Never use a standard screwdriver. This will result in damage to the sliding termination.*

8. Set the assembly down for five minutes to let the temperature stabilize. Repeat the previous adjustment procedure if the reading on the gage drifts out of the allowable range.
9. Move the center conductor pullback to the unlocked position and then back to the locked position. The gage reading should return to the value arrived at after adjustment. If not, repeat steps 7 through 9. The gage reading should repeat to within **+ 0.0001 inch**.
10. After the pin depth is set, loosen the connection and remove the gage from the sliding termination.
11. The sliding termination is now ready for use. Replace the protective cap on the sliding termination when it is not being used.



Connecting the Sliding Termination

CAUTION: *The sliding termination center conductor can be damaged if the sliding termination is not held in line when mating to a connector. Always line up the sliding termination when connecting or removing it from a connector.*

1. Release the center conductor pullback mechanism as described in the previous section. Carefully move the handle toward the connector end of the sliding termination. The center conductor will extend beyond the end of the connector.
2. Keep the center conductor extended by holding the center conductor pullback mechanism toward the connector end of the sliding termination. Align the sliding termination with the mating connector and mate the sliding termination center conductor with the center conductor of the cable or test port connector.
3. Release your hand from the center conductor pullback and move the body of the sliding termination toward the gage to mate the outer conductor of the sliding termination with the outer conductor of the gage connector. Torque the connector to **8 in-lb (90 N-cm)** with the model **8799A1** torque wrench.
4. Move the center conductor pullback handle back and then turn counterclockwise to lock.

Using the Sliding Termination

1. The sliding termination has radial rings for the sliding ring to ride over. The sliding ring is set using these rings as detents. The sliding ring is moved from mark to mark during calibration using the detents as set points.
2. Refer to **Figure 4**. Move the sliding ring forward as far as possible toward the connector end of the sliding termination.
3. Move the sliding ring back until you feel it detent at the first set mark. This is the first calibration position.
4. Continue to set the sliding ring to all of the seven positions as shown in **Figure 4**. This completes the calibration sequence.



Calibration Kit Contents

Standard Components – 8770CK10

1 ea	Short, female	8771F2
1 ea	Short, male	8772F2
1 ea	Open, female	8773A2
1 ea	Open, male	8773B2
1 ea	Fixed Termination, female	8775A3
1 ea	Fixed Termination, male	8775B3
1 ea	Case Assembly	

Standard Components – 8770CK11

1 ea	Short, female	8771F2
1 ea	Short, male	8772F2
1 ea	Open, female	8773A2
1 ea	Open, male	8773B2
1 ea	Fixed Termination, female	8775A3
1 ea	Fixed Termination, male	8775B3
1 ea	Adapter, male to male	8714B2
1 ea	Adapter, female to male	8714C2
1 ea	Adapter, female to female	8714A2
1 ea	Case Assembly	

Standard Components – 8770CK20

1 ea	Short, female	8771F2
1 ea	Short, male	8772F2
1 ea	Open, female	8773A2
1 ea	Open, male	8773B2
1 ea	Fixed Termination, female	8775A3
1 ea	Fixed Termination, male	8775B3
1 ea	Sliding Termination, female	8777A2
1 ea	Sliding Termination, male	8777B2
1 ea	Pin Depth Adjust Tool	8777S02
1 ea	5/16 Torque Wrench, 8in.lbs	8799A1
1 ea	Wrench, 5/16	8770Z6
1 ea	Wrench, 7/16	8770Z7
1 ea	Case Assembly	

Standard Components – 8770CK21

1 ea	Short, female	8771F2
1 ea	Short, male	8772F2
1 ea	Open, female	8773A2
1 ea	Open, male	8773B2
1 ea	Fixed Termination, female	8775A3
1 ea	Fixed Termination, male	8775B3
1 ea	Adapter, male to male	8714B2
1 ea	Adapter, female to male	8714C2
1 ea	Adapter, female to female	8714A2
1 ea	Sliding Termination, female	8777A2
1 ea	Sliding Termination, male	8777B2
1 ea	Pin Depth Adjust Tool	8777S02
1 ea	5/16 Torque Wrench, 8in.lbs	8799A1
1 ea	Wrench, 5/16	8770Z6
1 ea	Wrench, 7/16	8770Z7
1 ea	Case Assembly	



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STANDARD DEFINITIONS

Anritsu Network Analyzers

Table 1. Male Standard Definitions for Anritsu

Male Open Device	
C0	44.1578 e-15
C1	71.4204 e-27
C2	-0.1716 e-36
C3	0.2048 e-45
Offset Length	0.44515 cm
Serial Number	00000

Male Short Device	
L0	8.7413 e-12
L1	-1036.9 e-24
L2	41.5223 e-33
L3	-0.5055 e-42
Offset Length	0.50054 cm
Serial Number	00000

Table 2. Female Standard Definitions for Anritsu

Female Open Device	
C0	42.9684 e-15
C1	729.336 e-27
C2	-31.7551 e-36
C3	0.6628 e-45
Offset Length	0.44515 cm
Serial Number	00000

Female Short Device	
L0	-11.2831 e-12
L1	1910.57 e-24
L2	- 85.3145 e-33
L3	1.0864 e-42
Offset Length	0.50054 cm
Serial Number	00000

For specific loading instructions, see **Anritsu loading instructions**, which can be downloaded from our website: maurymw.com.

Keysight Network Analyzers

Table 3. Standard Definitions for Keysight

Standard ⁽¹⁾		C0 x10 ⁻¹⁵ F	C1 x10 ⁻²⁷ F/Hz	C2 x10 ⁻³⁶ F/Hz ²	C3 x10 ⁻⁴⁵ F/Hz ³	Fixed or Sliding ⁽²⁾	Offset			Frequency GHz		Coax or W/G	Standard Label
		L0 x10 ⁻¹² H	L1 x10 ⁻²⁴ H/Hz	L2 x10 ⁻³³ H/Hz ²	L3 x10 ⁻⁴² H/Hz ³		Delay ps	Z ₀ ⁽³⁾ Ω	Loss ⁽⁴⁾ GΩ/s	Min	Max		
Short	8771F2 Female Short	-11.2831	1910.57	-85.3145	1.0864		16.6963	50	2.0059	0	999	Coax	8771F2
Open	8773A2 Female Open	42.9684	729.336	-31.7551	0.6628		14.8487	50	3.4628	0	999	Coax	8773A2
Load	8775A3 Broadband Female Load					Fixed	0	50	0	0	999	Coax	8775A3 BB
Thru	Thru (0 cm)						0	50	0	0	999	Coax	Thru ⁽⁵⁾
Load	8777A2 Sliding Female Load					Sliding	0	50	0	3.999	999	Coax	8777A2
Load	8775A3 Lowband Female Load					Fixed	0	50	0	0	4.001	Coax	8775A3 LB
Short	8772F2 Male Short	8.7413	-1036.9	41.5223	-0.5055		16.6963	50	2.5639	0	999	Coax	8772F2
Open	8773B2 Male Open	44.1578	71.4204	-0.1716	0.2048		14.8487	50	3.39	0	999	Coax	8773B2
Load	8775B3 Broadband Male Load					Fixed	0	50	0	0	999	Coax	8775B3 BB
Load	8777B2 Sliding Male Load					Sliding	0	50	0	3.999	999	Coax	8777B2
Load	8775B3 Lowband Male Load					Fixed	0	50	0	0	4.001	Coax	8775B3 LB

⁽¹⁾ Open, short, load, delay/thru, or arbitrary impedance.

⁽²⁾ Load or arbitrary impedance only.

⁽³⁾ Z₀ normalized.

⁽⁴⁾ Skin loss factor, normalized at 1 GHz.

⁽⁵⁾ Test ports connected directly.

For specific loading instructions, see **Keysight loading instructions**, which can be downloaded from our website: maurymw.com.





Rhode & Schwarz Network Analyzers

Table 4. Standard Definitions for Rohde & Schwarz

Short (M) Min Freq = 0 Hz Max Freq = 40.0 GHz Length = 5.005 mm Loss = 0.0074364 dB/ $\sqrt{\text{GHz}}$ L0 = 8.7413 pH L1 = -1.0369000 pH/GHz L2 = -0.0415223 pH/GHz ² L3 = -0.0005055 pH/GHz ³	Through (MF) Min Freq = 0 Hz Max Freq = 40.0 GHz Length = 0 mm Loss = 0 dB/ $\sqrt{\text{GHz}}$
Short (F) Min Freq = 0 Hz Max Freq = 40.0 GHz Length = 5.005 mm Loss = 0.0058180 dB/ $\sqrt{\text{GHz}}$ L0 = -11.2831 pH L1 = 1.9105700 pH/GHz L2 = -0.0853145 pH/GHz ² L3 = 0.0010864 pH/GHz ³	Through (MM) Min Freq = 0 Hz Max Freq = 40.0 GHz Length = 17.155 mm Loss = 0.0114 dB/ $\sqrt{\text{GHz}}$
Open (M) Min Freq = 0 Hz Max Freq = 40.0 GHz Length = 4.452 mm Loss = 0.0087444 dB/ $\sqrt{\text{GHz}}$ C0 = 44.1578 fF C1 = 0.0714204 fF/GHz C2 = -0.0001716 fF/GHz ² C3 = 0.0002048 fF/GHz ³	Through (FF) Min Freq = 0 Hz Max Freq = 40.0 GHz Length = 17.155 mm Loss = 0.0114 dB/ $\sqrt{\text{GHz}}$
	Match (M) Min Freq = 0 Hz Max Freq = 40.0 GHz
Open (F) Min Freq = 0 Hz Max Freq = 40.0 GHz Length = 4.452 mm Loss = 0.0089322 dB/ $\sqrt{\text{GHz}}$ C0 = 42.9684 fF C1 = 0.7293360 fF/GHz C2 = -0.0317551 fF/GHz ² C3 = 0.0006628 fF/GHz ³	Match (F) Min Freq = 0 Hz Max Freq = 40.0 GHz
	Sliding Match (M) Min Freq = 4.0 GHz Max Freq = 40.0 GHz
	Sliding Match (F) Min Freq = 4.0 GHz Max Freq = 40.0 GHz

For specific loading instructions, see **Rohde & Schwarz loading instructions**, which can be downloaded from our website: maurymw.com.



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APPENDIX

Data Sheet Resources

2Z-058 – 2.92mm Calibration Kits

<http://maurymw.com/pdf/datasheets/2Z-058.pdf>

2Y-001 – Connector Gages and Connector Gage Kits

<http://maurymw.com/pdf/datasheets/2Y-001.pdf>

2Y-049 – Metrology Grade 2.92/2.92mm Digital Connector Gage Kit

<http://maurymw.com/pdf/datasheets/2Y-049.pdf>

2Y-050A – Torque Wrenches

<http://maurymw.com/pdf/datasheets/2Y-050A.pdf>

5E-063 – Precision 2.92mm Coaxial Connectors

<http://maurymw.com/pdf/datasheets/5E-063.pdf>



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