



Voltage Variable PIN Diode Attenuator, 0 to 30 dB, DC to 20 GHz, Rated to 18 dBm, SMA, Solder Pin Control

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The PE70A10017 is a 30 dB Pin Diode Voltage Variable Attenuator with an operating frequency range from 0 GHz to 20 GHz. The RF Input/Output Connectors are SMA Female. The attenuator uses a dual +/- 5 VDC supply. The control is thru a voltage control that is used to select the attenuation state and a single 0 to -3 VDC bias that allows the operation at frequencies down to DC. The drop-in package is hermetically sealed with field replaceable SMA connectors and has an operating temperature range of -40°C to +85°C. And for added confidence, this rugged package assembly is designed to meet MIL-STD-883 test conditions for Hermeticity and Temperature Cycle.

**Features**

- Voltage Variable control of 30 dB Attenuator
- 0 GHz to 20 GHz frequency range
- 30 dB Attenuation Range
- Insertion Loss 3.6 dB Typ
- SMA Female Field Replaceable Connectors

**Applications**

- Electronic Warfare
- Electronic Countermeasures
- Microwave Radio
- VSAT
- Radar
- Fiber Optic
- Space Systems
- Test Instrumentation
- Telecom Infrastructure

**Electrical Specifications** (Values at 25°C, sea level)

Description	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
Frequency Range	DC		20	GHz
Mean Attenuation Range	0		30	dB
Power Rating			18	dBm

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Performance by Frequency

Description	Frequency (GHz)	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Insertion Loss (VCTL = 0V)	DC - 5		1.5		dB
	5 - 10		1.9		
	10 - 14		2.4		
	14 - 20		4		
Attenuation Range (VCTL = -2.9V)	DC - 5	25	32		dB
	5 - 10	27	33		
	10 - 14	25	30		
	14 - 20	21	26		
Return Loss at RF1	DC - 14		15		dB
	DC - 20		8		
Input Power for 0.25 dB Compression	Min Attenuation Attenuation > 5 dB	0.5 - 8.0	+7 -4		dBm
Input Third Order Intercept Point (Two-Tone Input Power = +10 dBm Each Tone)	Min Attenuation Attenuation > 10 dB	0.5 - 16	+22 +25		dBm
Switching Characteristics					
tRISE, tFALL (10/90% RF)			111, 83		ns
tON, tOFF (50% CTL to 10/90% RF)			125, 103		
Supply Voltage +Vdc			5		V
Supply Voltage -Vdc			-5		V
Supply Current at +5 Vdc			4	7	mA
Supply Current at -5 Vdc			-10.5	-14	mA
Control Voltage	Minimum Attenuation		0		V
	Maximum Attenuation		-2.9		

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### Absolute Maximum Rating

Parameter	Rating	Units
Control Voltage	+1 to -5	Vdc
Bias Voltage	+16V / -16V	Vdc
RF Input Power (0.5 - 20 GHz)	+18	dBm
Operating Temperature (base-plate)	-55 to +85	°C
Storage Temperature	-65 to +150	°C



ESD Sensitive Material,  
Transport material in  
Approved ESD bags.  
Handle only in approved  
ESD Workstation.

### Mechanical Specifications

#### Size

Length	1.087 in [27.61 mm]
Width	0.85 in [21.59 mm]
Height	0.23 in [5.84 mm]
Weight	0.086 lbs [39.01 g]
Input Connector	Field Replaceable SMA Female
Output Connector	SMA Female
Power and Control	Solder Pin

### Environmental Specifications

#### Temperature

Operating Range	-55 to +85 deg C
Storage Range	-65 to +150 deg C

Temperature Cycle  
Hermetic Seal

MIL-STD-883, Method 101C, Cond B  
ESD Sensitive Material, Transport material in Approved  
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Gross Leak MIL-STD-883 Method 1014C1/Fine Leak  
MIL-STD-883, Method 1014A2, 5 x 10-8 atm cc

ESD Sensitive

### Compliance Certifications (see [product page](#) for current document)

### Plotted and Other Data

Notes:

- Values at +25 °C, sea level
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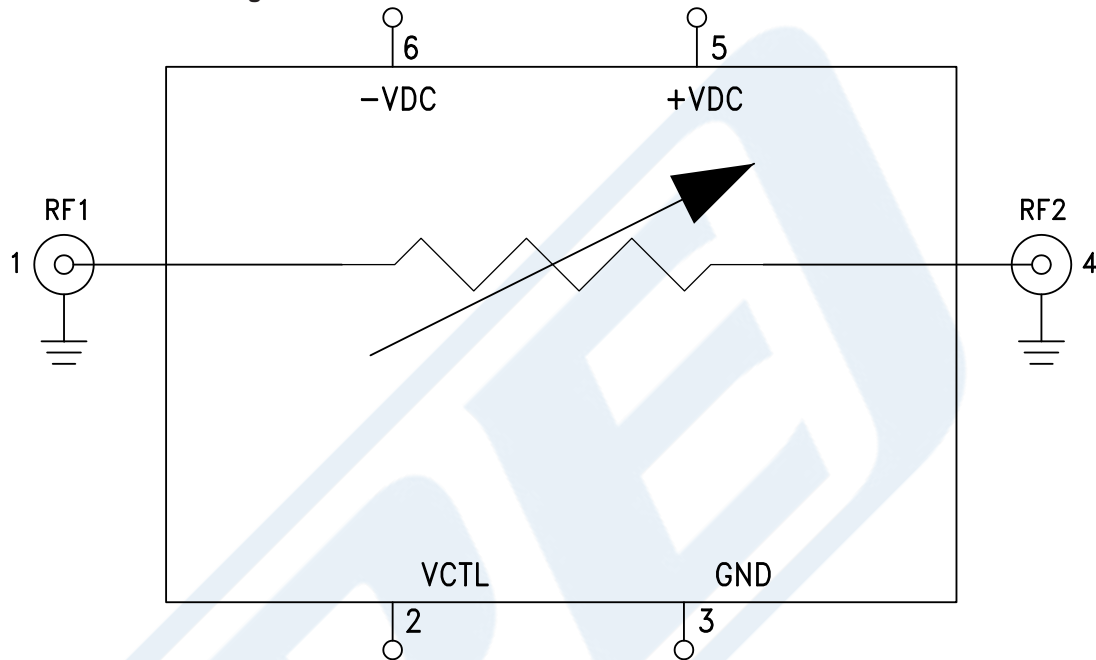


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Functional Block Diagram



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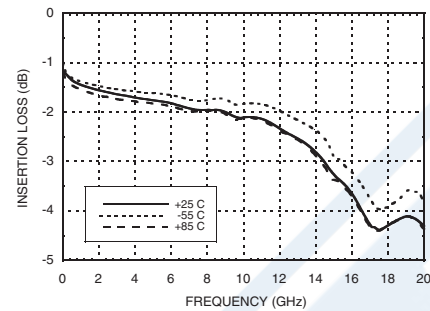
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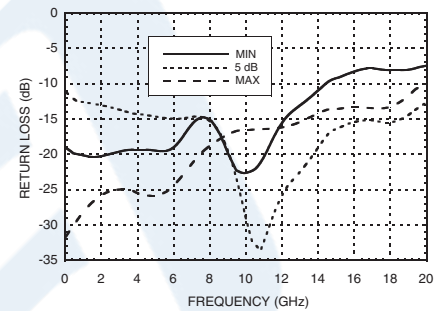
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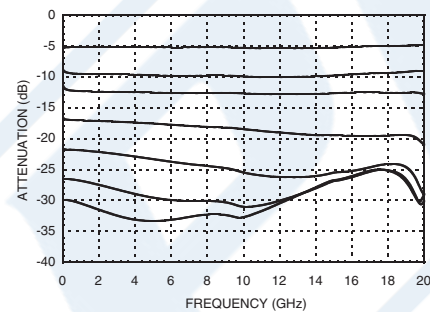
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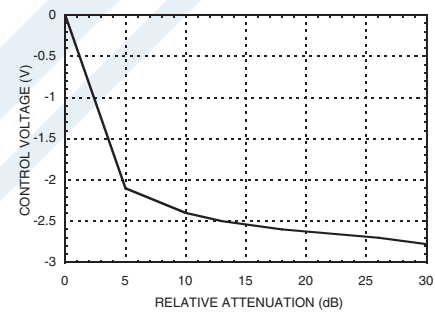
**Return Loss RF1 vs. Frequency Over Attenuation**



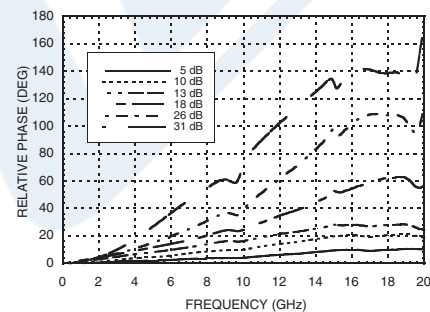
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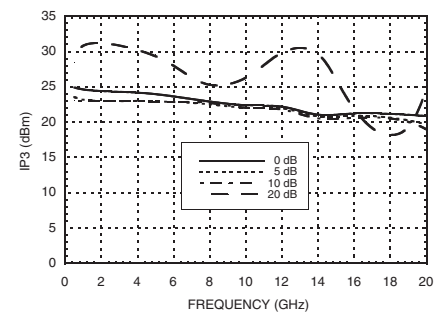
**Relative Attenuation vs. Control Voltage @ 10 GHz**



**Relative Phase vs. Frequency**



**Input IP3 vs. Frequency Over Attenuation**



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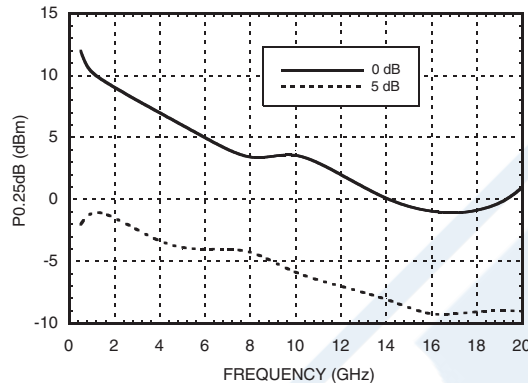


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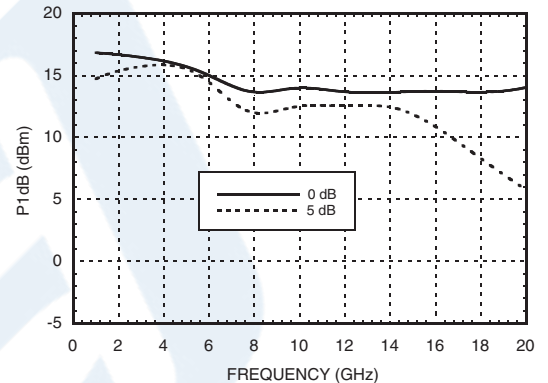
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**0.25 dB Compression vs. Frequency Over Attenuation**



**1 dB Compression vs. Frequency Over Attenuation**



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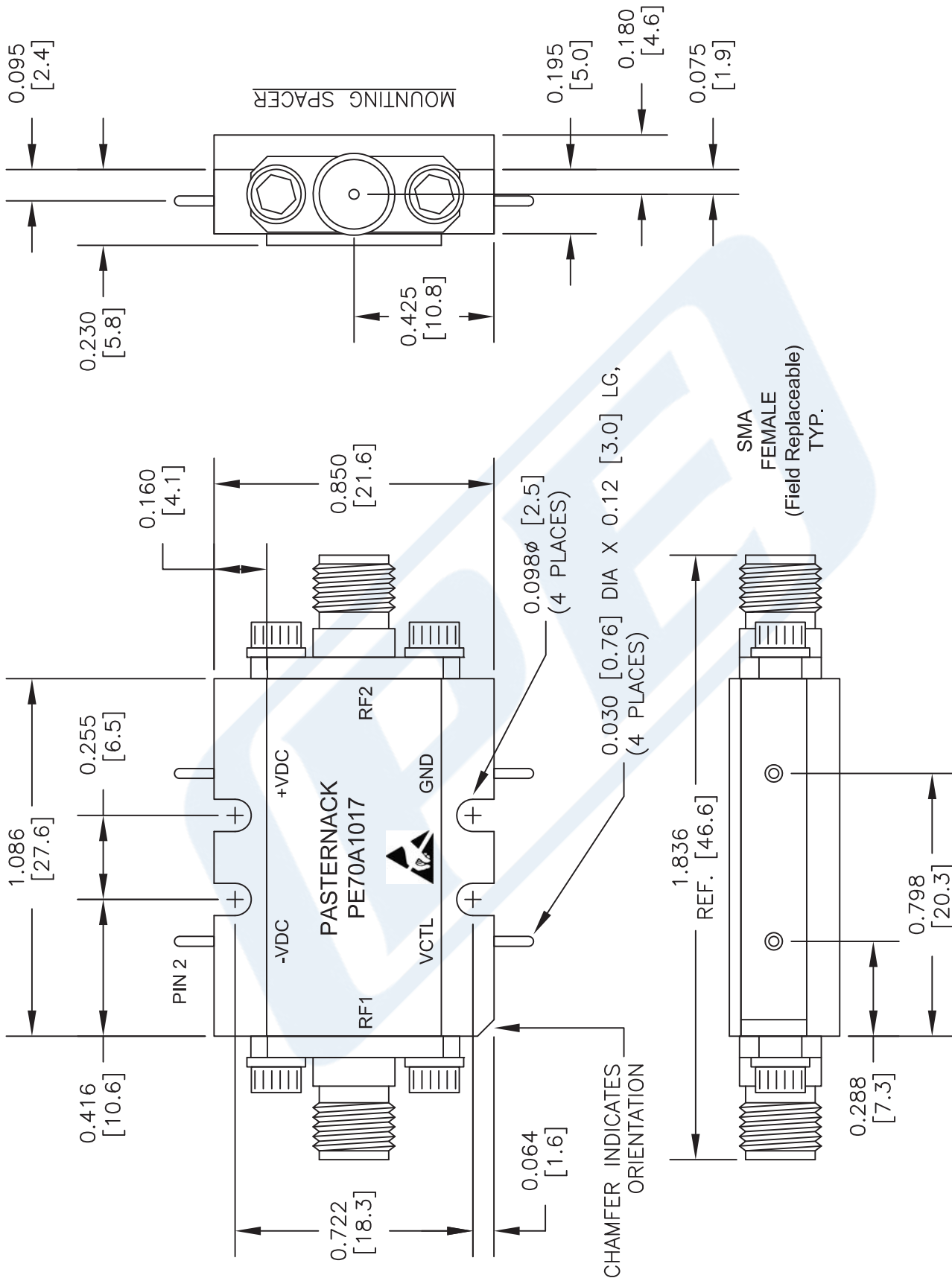
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3. DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES [mm].

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