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RF COAXIAL ADAPTORS AND CONNECTING PIECES

BASED ON TYPE SMA 2.9

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1 GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE

This specification details the ratings, physical and electrical characteristics, and test and inspection data for the component type variants and/or the range of components specified below. It supplements the requirements of, and shall be read in conjunction with, the ESCC Generic Specification listed under Applicable Documents.

1.2 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

The following documents form part of this specification and shall be read in conjunction with it:

- (a) ESCC Generic Specification No. [3402](#).
- (b) [MIL-STD-348](#), Department of Defence Interface Standard: Radio Frequency Connector Interfaces.

1.3 TERMS, DEFINITIONS, ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS AND UNITS

For the purpose of this specification, the terms, definitions, abbreviations, symbols and units specified in ESCC Basic Specification No. [21300](#) shall apply.

1.4 THE ESCC COMPONENT NUMBER AND COMPONENT TYPE VARIANTS

1.4.1 The ESCC Component Number

The ESCC Component Number shall be constituted as follows:

Example: 340202301

- Detail Specification Reference: 3402023
- Component Type Variant Number: 01 (as required)

1.4.2 Component Type Variants

The component type variants applicable to this specification are as follows:

Variant Number	Description (Note 1)
01	Straight Adaptor, Male - Male
02	Straight Adaptor, Female - Female
03	Straight Adaptor, Male - Female
04	Right Angle Adaptor, Male - Male
05	Right Angle Adaptor, Female - Female
06	Right Angle Adaptor, Male - Female
07	Hermetic Glass Seal Ø0.3mm

NOTES:

1. See Para. 3 for details.

1.5 MAXIMUM RATINGS

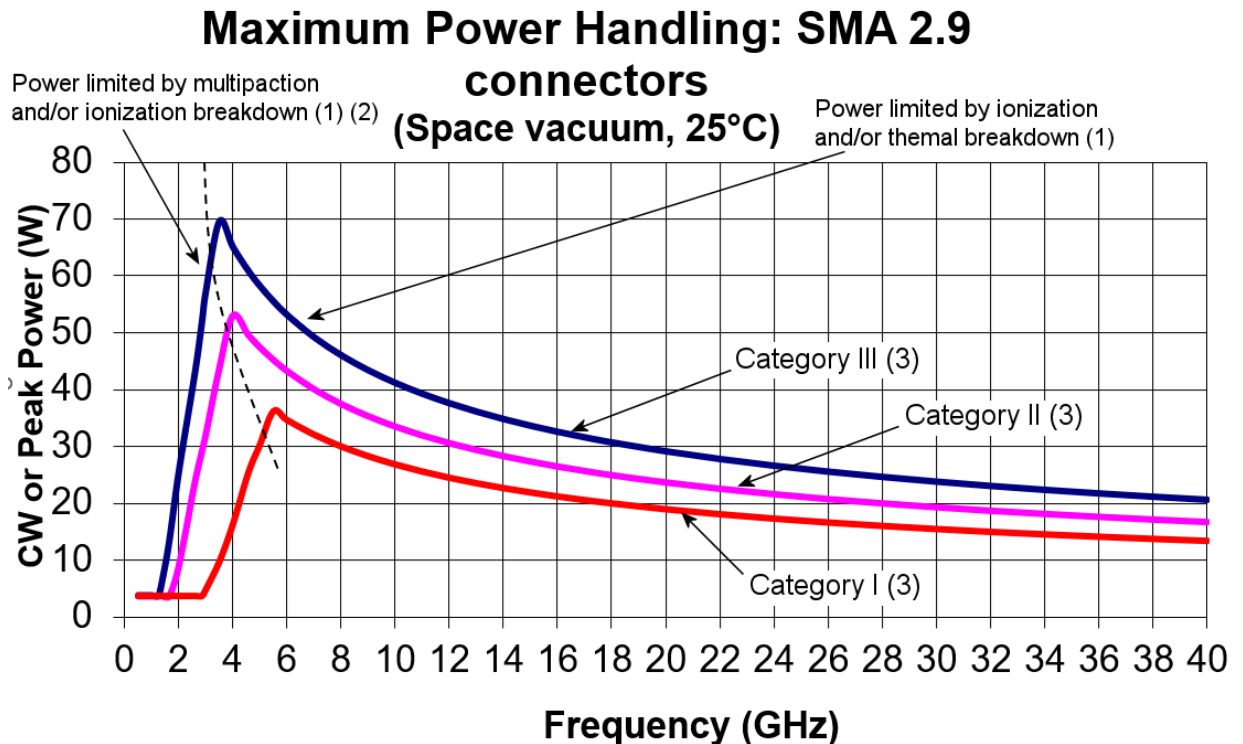
The maximum ratings shall not be exceeded at any time during use or storage.

Maximum ratings shall only be exceeded during testing to the extent specified in this specification and when stipulated in Test Methods and Procedures of the ESCC Generic Specification.

Characteristics	Symbol	Maximum Ratings	Unit	Remarks
Power	P	See Para. 3	W	Notes 1, 2
Nominal Impedance	Z	50	Ω	-
Operating Frequency Range	f	See Para. 3	GHz	Note 2
Operating Voltage	V _{op}	350	V _{rms}	-
Operating Temperature Range	T _{op}	See Para. 3	°C	-
Storage Temperature Range	T _{stg}	As per T _{op}	°C	-
Coupling Nut Torque (Coupling Proof Torque)	T _q	170	N.cm	See Note 3 for nominal coupling torque

NOTES:

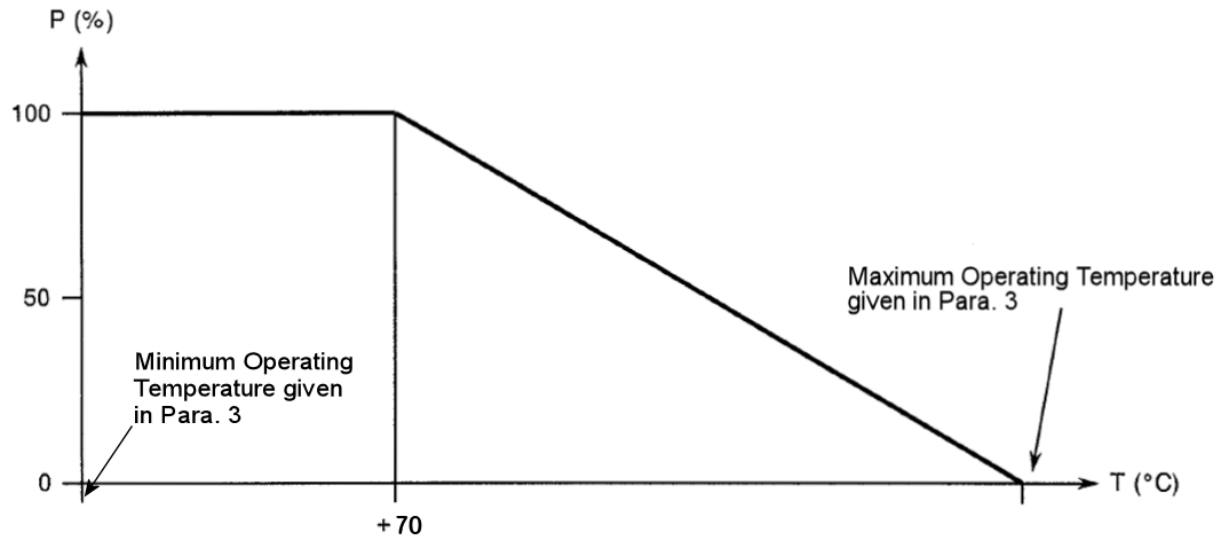
- Derate Power with respect to Operating Frequency as follows:



The following details apply:

- Load VSWR is better than 1.3:1.
- The part of the curve limited by multipaction takes into account a 6dB margin.
- See Para. 3 for applicability of power handling categories to the different Variants.
- These power handling curves have been constructed using the ESCC Multipactor Tool v1.0.

2. Derate Power with respect to Operating Temperature as follows:



3. Whenever a test is performed on mated pairs of connectors, the pairs shall be torqued at 80 to 115N.cm.

1.6 PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS (SEE ALSO PARA. 3)

1.6.1 Connector Interface Dimensions and Connector Interface Gauge Dimensions

- SMA Male Connector and Gauge Interface: compatible with series SMK pin contact interface as specified in [MIL-STD-348](#).
- SMA Female Connector and Gauge Interface: compatible with series SMK socket contact connector interface as specified in [MIL-STD-348](#).

1.7 MATERIALS AND FINISHES

Materials and finishes shall be as follows (as applicable, see Para. 3):

- For Variants 01 to 06:
 - Shell, Coupling Nut: amagnetic stainless steel, electro-passivated.
 - Centre Contact: beryllium copper, plated gold 1.3µm minimum over nickel 2µm minimum.
 - Insulator: ULTEM 1000.
 - Gasket, Front: silicone.
- For Variant 07:
 - Shell, Centre Contact: iron-nickel alloy, plated gold 1.27µm minimum over nickel 2µm minimum.
 - Insulator: glass.

2 REQUIREMENTS

2.1 GENERAL

The complete requirements for procurement of the components specified herein are as stated in this specification and the ESCC Generic Specification. Permitted deviations from the Generic Specification, applicable to this specification only, are listed below.

Permitted deviations from the Generic Specification and this Detail Specification, formally agreed with specific Manufacturers on the basis that the alternative requirements are equivalent to the ESCC requirement and do not affect the component's reliability, are listed in the appendices attached to this specification.

2.1.1 Deviations from the Generic Specification

2.1.1.1 *Deviations from Screening Tests – Chart F3*

- (a) Coupling Proof Torque: shall not be performed on connectors with a female contact; it shall be performed on connectors with a male contact.

2.2 MARKING

The marking shall be in accordance with the requirements of ESCC Basic Specification No. [21700](#) and as follows.

The information to be marked on the component or the primary package shall be:

- (a) The ESCC qualified components symbol (for ESCC qualified components only).
- (b) The ESCC Component Number (see Para. 1.4.1).
- (c) Traceability information.

2.3 ENVIRONMENTAL AND MECHANICAL TESTS

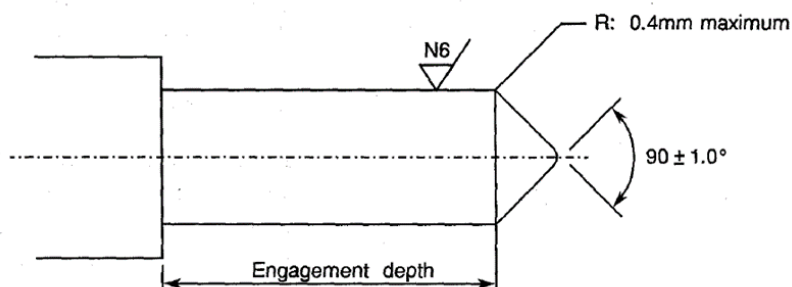
The following requirements apply to tests performed on the connector (and contact) lot as specified in the ESCC Generic Specification:

(a) Contact Engagement and Separation Forces:

	Oversize Test Pin Test	Maximum Diameter Test Pin Test	Minimum Diameter Test Pin Test
Test Pin Diameter (mm) (1)	0.95 to 0.955	0.94 to 0.946	0.89 to 0.902
Engagement Depth (mm) (1)	0.76 to 1.14	1.27 to 1.91	1.27 to 1.91
Engagement Force (N)	-	13.53 maximum	-
Separation Force (N)	-	-	0.27 minimum

NOTES:

1. Test Pins details:



- (b) Coupling Proof Torque: See Para. 1.5.
- (c) Mating and Unmating Forces: Maximum torque: 23N.cm.
- (d) Centre Contact Retention: See Para. 3.
- (e) Seal: See Para. 3.

2.4 ROOM TEMPERATURE ELECTRICAL MEASUREMENTS

The measurements shall be performed at $T_{amb} = +22 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$.

Characteristics	Symbols	Test Method and Conditions	Limits		Units
			Min	Max	
Insulation Resistance	R_i	ESCC No. 3402	5	-	GΩ
Voltage Proof Leakage Current (Voltage Proof)	I_L	ESCC No. 3402 See Para. 3 Note 1	-	2	mA

NOTES:

- 1. Between centre contact and shell.

2.5 INTERMEDIATE AND END-POINT ELECTRICAL MEASUREMENTS

Unless otherwise specified, the measurements shall be performed at $T_{amb} = +22 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$.

Unless otherwise specified, the test methods and test conditions shall be as per the corresponding test defined in Para. 2.4 Room Temperature Electrical Measurements.

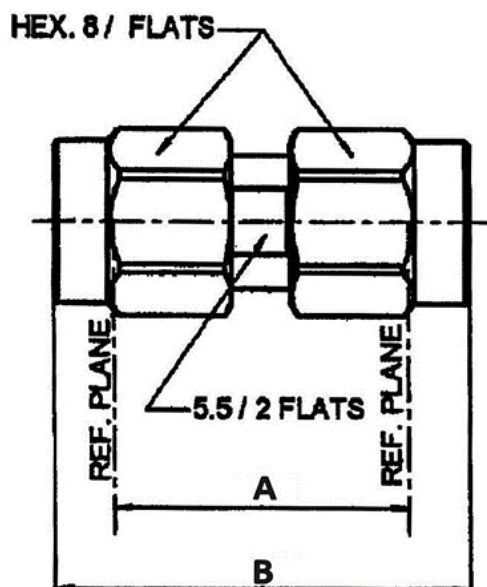
Test Reference per ESCC No. 3402	Characteristics and Test Conditions Ref. ESCC No. 3402	Symbols	Limits		Units
			Min	Max	
Random Vibration	Contact Resistance: $I_T = 10\text{mA}$, $V_T = 6\text{V}$				
	Centre Contact:	R_{ctc}	-	3	$\text{m}\Omega$
	Variant 07 only: Centre Contact:	R_{hgs}	-	12	$\text{m}\Omega$
Mechanical Shock	Contact Resistance: $I_T = 10\text{mA}$, $V_T = 6\text{V}$				
	Centre Contact:	R_{ctc}	-	3	$\text{m}\Omega$
	Variant 07 only: Centre Contact:	R_{hgs}	-	12	$\text{m}\Omega$
Temperature Cycling	Contact Resistance: $I_T = 10\text{mA}$, $V_T = 6\text{V}$				
	Centre Contact:	R_{ctc}	-	3	$\text{m}\Omega$
	Variant 07 only: Centre Contact:	R_{hgs}	-	12	$\text{m}\Omega$
	Voltage Proof Leakage Current:	I_L	Note 1		
Electrical Measurements at Room Temperature	Insulation Resistance:	R_I	Note 1		
	Voltage Proof Leakage Current:	I_L	Note 1		
	Contact Resistance: $I_T = 10\text{mA}$, $V_T = 6\text{V}$				
	Centre Contact:	R_{ctc}	-	3	$\text{m}\Omega$
	Shell:	R_{cts}	-	2	$\text{m}\Omega$
	Variant 07 only: Centre Contact:	R_{hgs}	-	12	$\text{m}\Omega$
	VSWR (Note 3):	VSWR	Note 2		
Endurance	Insertion Loss:	LI	Note 2		
	Contact Resistance: $I_T = 10\text{mA}$, $V_T = 6\text{V}$				
	Centre Contact:	R_{ctc}	-	4	$\text{m}\Omega$
	Shell:	R_{cts}	-	3	$\text{m}\Omega$
	Variant 07 only: Centre Contact:	R_{hgs}	-	12	$\text{m}\Omega$

NOTES:

- As specified in Para. 2.4.
- As specified in Para. 3.
- Measured with suitable low level RF power applied.

3 COMPONENT TYPE VARIANTS – DETAIL REQUIREMENTS

3.1 VARIANT 01 – STRAIGHT ADAPTOR, MALE - MALE



Symbol	Dimensions mm	
	Min	Max
A	14.03	14.09
B	17.1	20.6

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Frequency range	0 to 40	GHz
Maximum voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR)	$1.05 + 0.003 f$ (GHz)	
Maximum insertion loss	$0.02 + 0.03 \sqrt{f}$ (GHz)	dB
Voltage proof	750	Vrms
Power Handling Category (see Para. 1.5 Note 1)	III	
RF Leakage (Note 1)	$-90 + f$ (GHz)	dBi

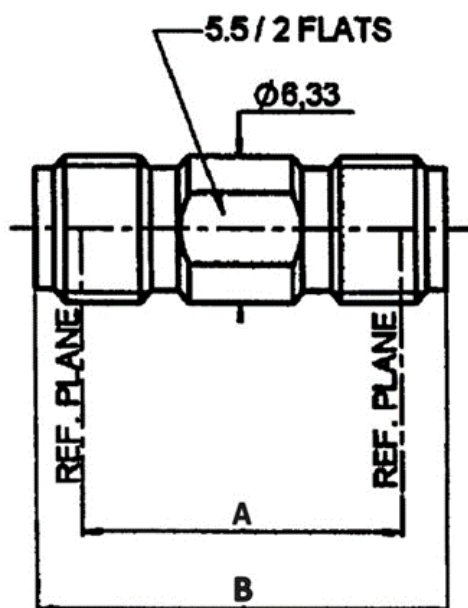
MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Minimum centre contact retention force (axial)	27	N
Minimum centre contact retention torque	Not applicable	
Maximum weight	5.5	g

OTHER CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Operating temperature range	-65 to +165	°C

NOTES:

- For information purposes only.

3.2 VARIANT 02 – STRAIGHT ADAPTOR, FEMALE - FEMALE



Symbol	Dimensions mm	
	Min	Max
A	14.03	14.09
B	17.79	18.05

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Frequency range	0 to 40	GHz
Maximum voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR)	$1.05 + 0.003 f$ (GHz)	
Maximum insertion loss	$0.02 + 0.03 \sqrt{f}$ (GHz)	dB
Voltage proof	750	Vrms
Power Handling Category (see Para. 1.5 Note 1)	III	
RF Leakage (Note 1)	$-90 + f$ (GHz)	dBi

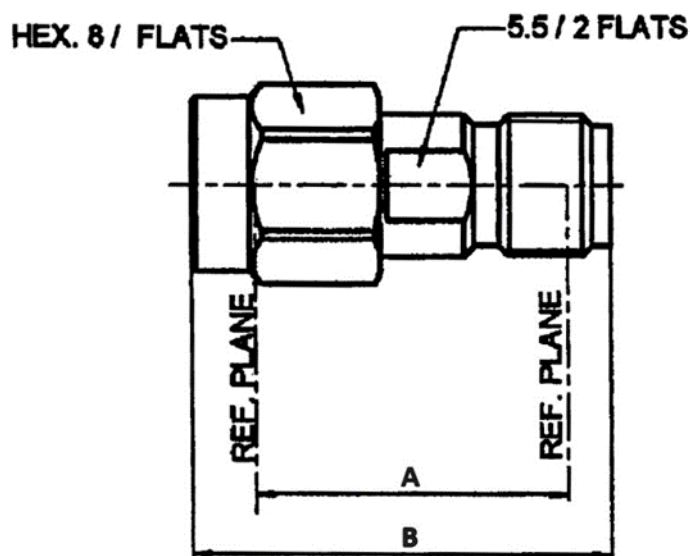
MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Minimum centre contact retention force (axial)	27	N
Minimum centre contact retention torque	Not applicable	
Maximum weight	3	g

OTHER CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Operating temperature range	-65 to +165	°C

NOTES:

- For information purposes only.

3.3 VARIANT 03 – STRAIGHT ADAPTOR, MALE - FEMALE



Symbol	Dimensions mm	
	Min	Max
A	14.03	14.09
B	18.2	19.32

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Frequency range	0 to 40	GHz
Maximum voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR)	$1.05 + 0.003 f \text{ (GHz)}$	
Maximum insertion loss	$0.02 + 0.03 \sqrt{f \text{ (GHz)}}$	dB
Voltage proof	750	Vrms
Power Handling Category (see Para. 1.5 Note 1)	III	
RF Leakage (Note 1)	$-90 + f \text{ (GHz)}$	dB

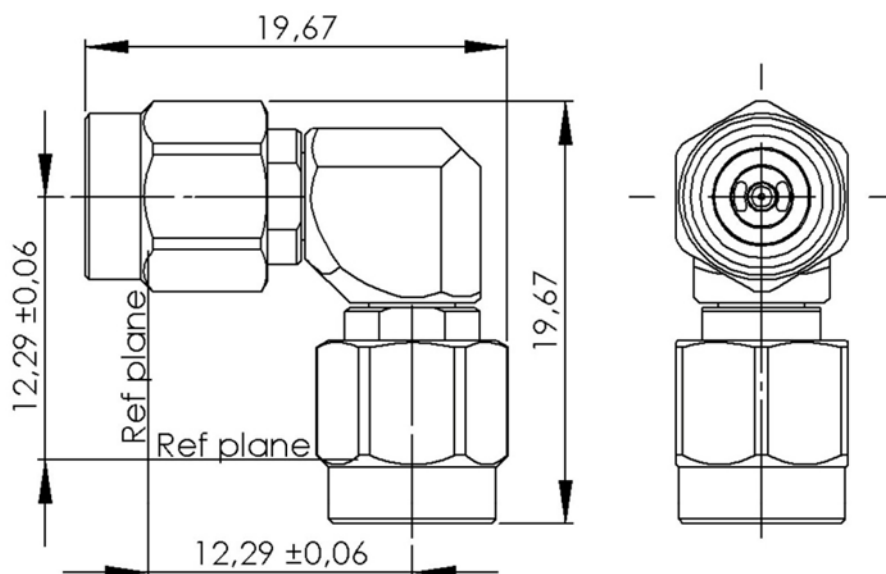
MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Minimum centre contact retention force (axial)	27	N
Minimum centre contact retention torque	Not applicable	
Maximum weight	4.1	g

OTHER CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Operating temperature range	-65 to +165	°C

NOTES:

- For information purposes only.

3.4 VARIANT 04 – RIGHT ANGLE ADAPTOR, MALE - MALE



N.B.: All dimensions are in mm.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Frequency range	0 to 40	GHz
Maximum voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR)		
DC to 32GHz:	1.20	
32 to 40GHz:	1.50	
Maximum insertion loss		dB
DC to 32GHz:	$0.02 + 0.07 \sqrt{f} \text{ (GHz)}$	
32 to 40GHz:	$0.09 \sqrt{f} \text{ (GHz)}$	
Voltage proof	750	Vrms
Power Handling Category (see Para. 1.5 Note 1)	III	
RF Leakage (Note 1)	$-90 + f \text{ (GHz)}$	dB

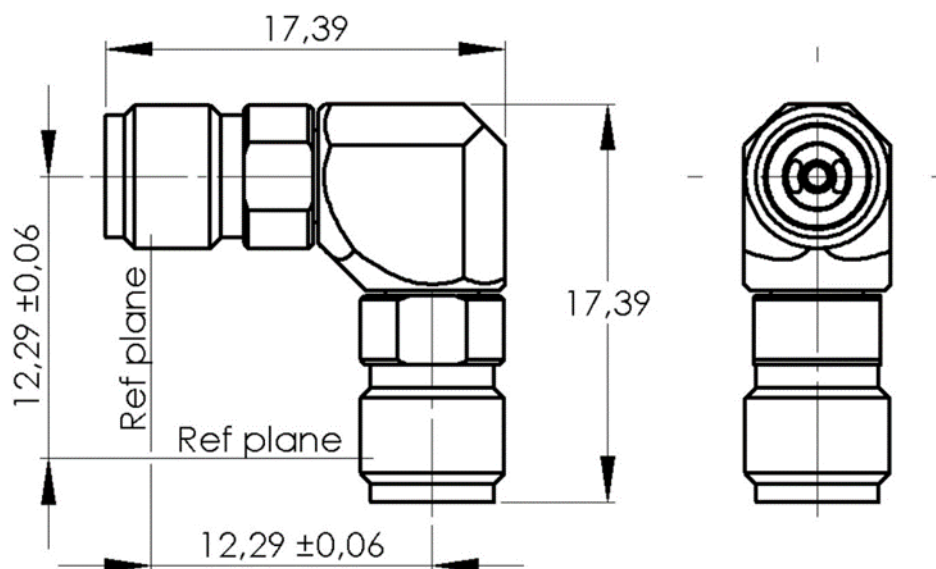
MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Minimum centre contact retention force (axial)	27	N
Minimum centre contact retention torque	Not applicable	
Maximum weight	7.5	g

OTHER CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Operating temperature range	-65 to +165	°C

NOTES:

- For information purposes only.

3.5 VARIANT 05 – RIGHT ANGLE ADAPTOR, FEMALE - FEMALE



N.B.: All dimensions are in mm.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Frequency range	0 to 40	GHz
Maximum voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR)		
DC to 32GHz:	1.20	
32 to 40GHz:	1.50	
Maximum insertion loss		dB
DC to 32GHz:	$0.02 + 0.07 \sqrt{f} \text{ (GHz)}$	
32 to 40GHz:	$0.09 \sqrt{f} \text{ (GHz)}$	
Voltage proof	750	Vrms
Power Handling Category (see Para. 1.5 Note 1)	III	
RF Leakage (Note 1)	$-90 + f \text{ (GHz)}$	dBi

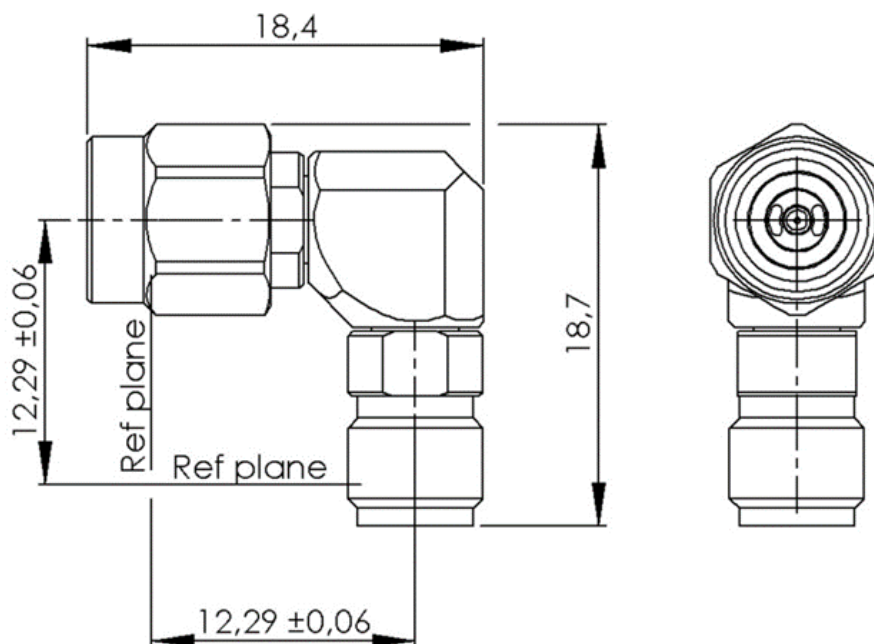
MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Minimum centre contact retention force (axial)	27	N
Minimum centre contact retention torque	Not applicable	
Maximum weight	5.5	g

OTHER CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Operating temperature range	-65 to +165	°C

NOTES:

- For information purposes only.

3.6 VARIANT 06 – RIGHT ANGLE ADAPTOR, MALE - FEMALE



N.B.: All dimensions are in mm.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Frequency range	0 to 40	GHz
Maximum voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR)		
DC to 32GHz:	1.20	
32 to 40GHz:	1.50	
Maximum insertion loss		dB
DC to 32GHz:	$0.02 + 0.07 \sqrt{f} \text{ (GHz)}$	
32 to 40GHz:	$0.09 \sqrt{f} \text{ (GHz)}$	
Voltage proof	750	Vrms
Power Handling Category (see Para. 1.5 Note 1)	III	
RF Leakage (Note 1)	$-90 + f \text{ (GHz)}$	dBi

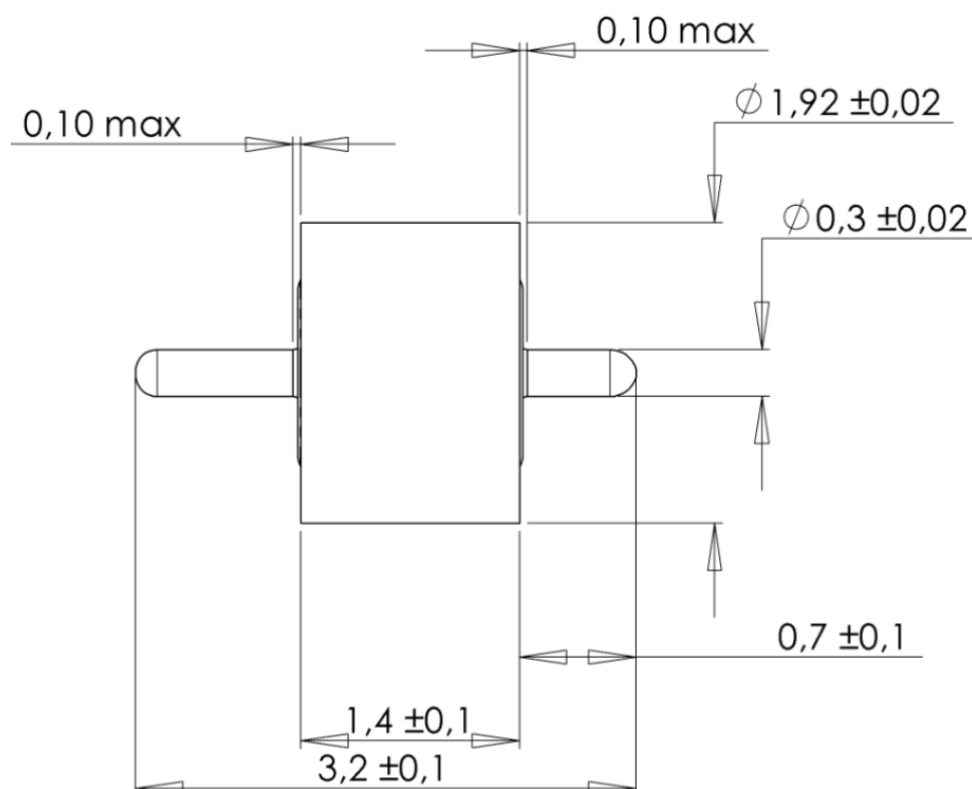
MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Minimum centre contact retention force (axial)	27	N
Minimum centre contact retention torque	Not applicable	
Maximum weight	7	g

OTHER CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Operating temperature range	-65 to +165	°C

NOTES:

- For information purposes only.

3.7 VARIANT 07 – HERMETIC GLASS SEAL Ø0.3MM (NOTE 1)



ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Frequency range	0 to 40	GHz
Maximum voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR)	Not applicable	
Maximum insertion loss	Not applicable	
Voltage proof	750	Vrms
Power Handling Category	Not applicable	
RF Leakage	Not applicable	

MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Minimum centre contact retention force (axial)	Not applicable	
Minimum centre contact retention torque	Not applicable	
Maximum weight	0.03	g

OTHER CHARACTERISTICS	VALUES	UNITS
Operating temperature range	-65 to +200	°C
Seal: Maximum leakage	10 ⁻⁸	atm.cm ³ /s
Solderability	Applicable	
Cables used	Not applicable	

NOTES:

- For use with connectors with rear socket contact for Ø0.3mm pin.
- Dimensions in mm.

APPENDIX A
AGREED DEVIATIONS FOR RADIAL (F)

ITEMS AFFECTED	DESCRIPTION OF DEVIATIONS
Para. 1.4.1, The ESCC Component Number	The ESCC Component Number may include the additional Manufacturer's codes 'B' and/or '3' as indicated in the following example: Example: 340202301 <u>B3</u>

**APPENDIX B****AGREED DEVIATIONS FOR ROSENBERGER (D)**

ITEMS AFFECTED	DESCRIPTION OF DEVIATIONS
Para. 1.4.1, The ESCC Component Number	The ESCC Component Number may include the additional Manufacturer's codes 'B' and/or '3' as indicated in the following example: Example: 340202301 <u>B3</u>