

# Keysight Technologies

## Multi-Channel Attenuation Control Units

J7204A/B (4-channels)  
DC to 6/18 GHz

J7205A/B (5-channels)  
DC to 6/18 GHz

### Technical Overview



## Key Features

- Exceptional 0.03 dB insertion loss repeatability per section for the entire 5 million cycles ensures accuracy and reduces calibration intervals
- Excellent attenuation accuracy and flatness ensures precise measurements
- Multi-channel attenuation path (up to 5-channels) enables multi-DUT measurements at one time
- LAN and GPIB interface with soft front panel provide easy connectivity, programming flexibility and control

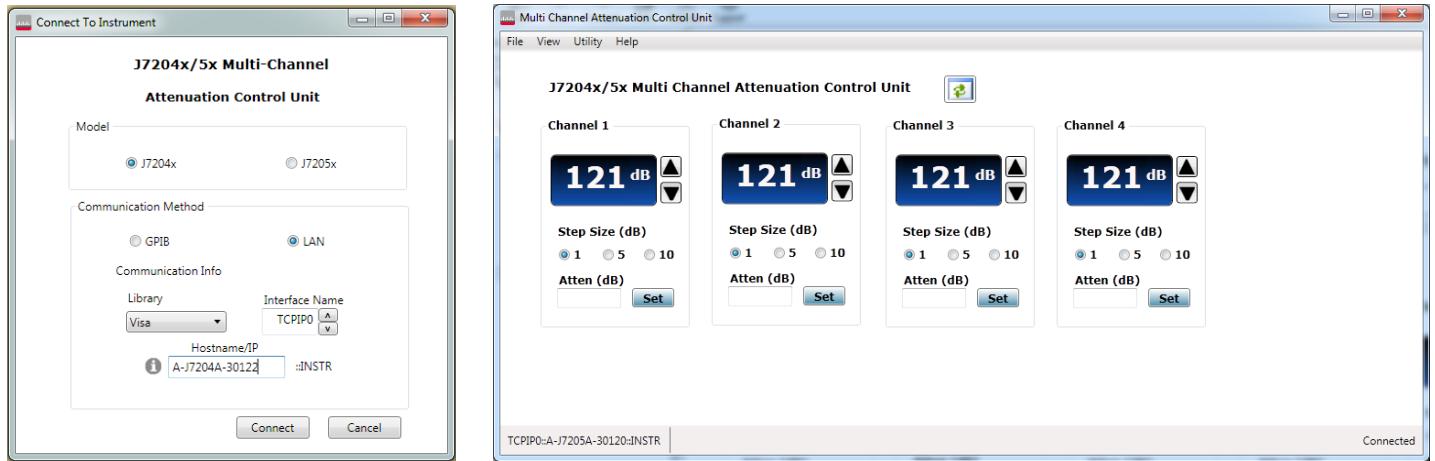


Figure 1. Soft front panel for J7204A/B multi-channel attenuation control unit

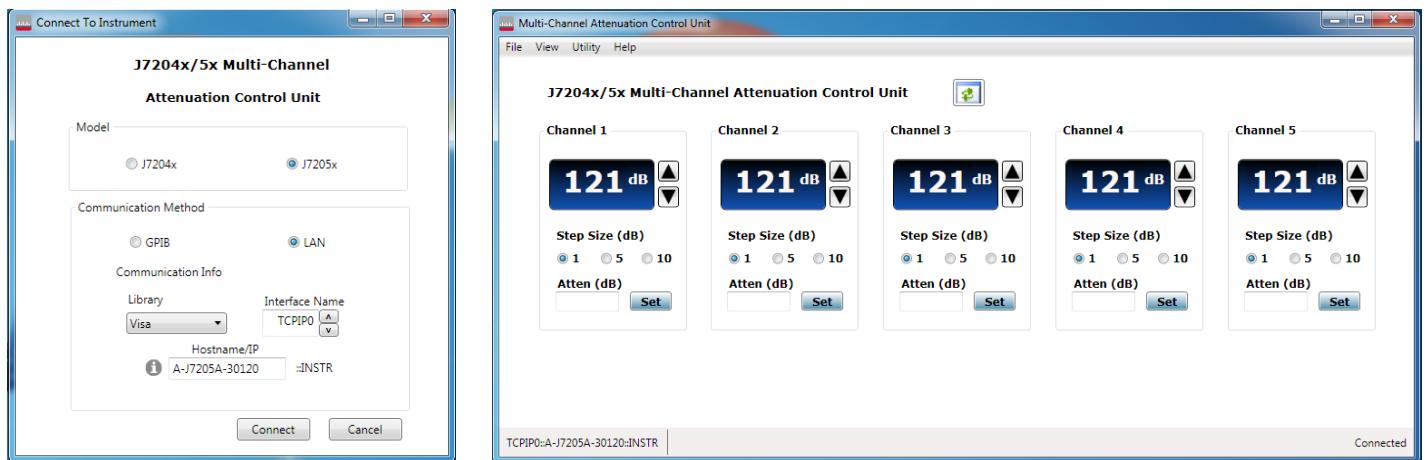


Figure 2. Soft front panel for J7205A/B multi-channel attenuation control unit

## Mobile Receiver Sensitivity Test

Figure 3 shows the simplified test setup for measuring receiver sensitivity. The receiver sensitivity test measures a receiver's performance using known signal conditions which include: modulation and coding type, SNR, and power input levels. Using the specified conditions, receivers must be able to decode data bits with a specified bit error rate (BER) at different input power levels.

External step attenuators are normally used in mobile receiver sensitivity test as they provide accurate power levels. They allow for an extremely accurate power measurement where the power level from the source can be kept constant leaving the attenuator to handle the signal conditioning from 0 dB up to 121 dB. In this case, the power level linearity problem at the source itself can be eliminated.

The multi-channel attenuation control units provide calibration data (as an option) to allow you to do a correction on the attenuation value and provides you with the exact input power level for each DUT. In addition to the superb repeatability of 0.03 dB and excellent attenuation accuracy and flatness, this method ensures the utmost accuracy and stability of the input power when performing receiver sensitivity test.

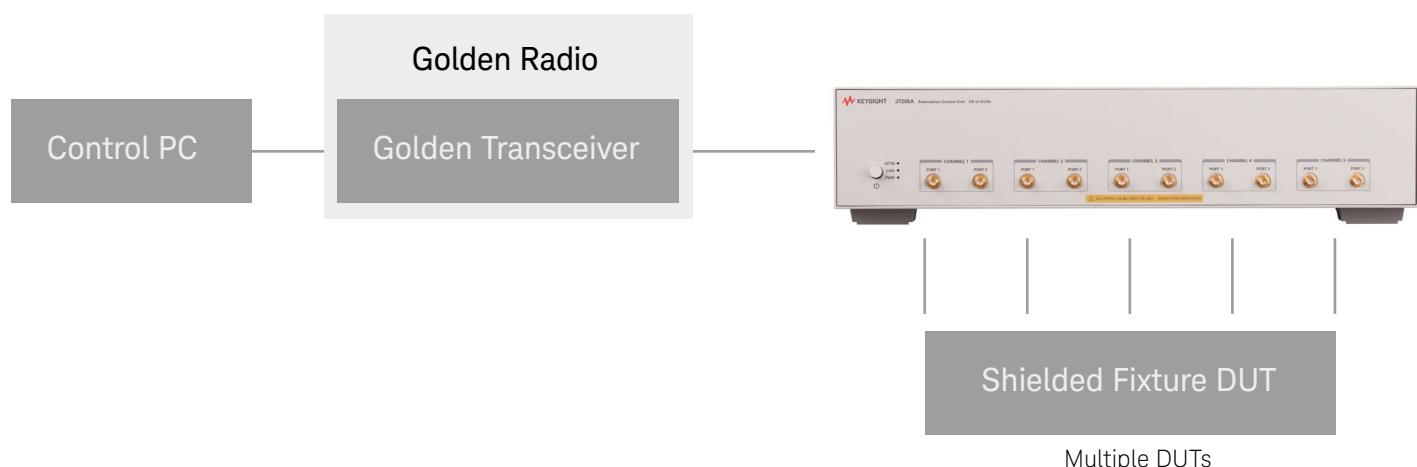


Figure 3. Simplified test setup for mobile receiver sensitivity test using golden radio method

# Specifications

Specifications refer to the performance standards or limits against which the J7204A/B and J7205A/B attenuation control units are tested at 25°C.

Typical characteristics are included for additional information only and they are not warranted specifications. Those denoted as “typical”, “nominal” or “approximate” and are printed in italic.

Specifications subject to change.

| Product model                    | J7204A                        | J7204B   | J7205A                        | J7205B   |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|
| Frequency range                  | DC to 6 GHz                   | DC to 18 GHz   | DC to 6 GHz                   | DC to 18 GHz   |
| Number of channels               | 4-channels                    | 4-channels   | 5-channels                    | 5-channels   |
| Attenuator type                  | Electro-mechanical attenuator | Electro-mechanical attenuator                          | Electro-mechanical attenuator | Electro-mechanical attenuator                          |
| Attenuation accuracy range/steps | 0 to 121 dB, 1 dB steps       | 0 to 121 dB, 1 dB steps                                | 0 to 121 dB, 1 dB steps       | 0 to 121 dB, 1 dB steps                                |
| Insertion loss repeatability     | 0.03 dB                       | 0.03 dB  | 0.03 dB                       | 0.03 dB  |
| Max insertion loss (at 0 dB)     | 2.5 dB                        | DC to 6 GHz: 2.5 dB<br>6 to 18 GHz: 5.0 dB             | 2.5 dB                        | DC to 6 GHz: 2.5 dB<br>6 to 18 GHz: 5.0 dB             |
| Return loss (VSWR)               | 14 dB (1.50)                  | DC to 6 GHz: 14 dB (1.50)<br>6 to 18 GHz: 10 dB (1.90) | 14 dB (1.50)                  | DC to 6 GHz: 14 dB (1.50)<br>6 to 18 GHz: 10 dB (1.90) |
| Operating life per section       | 5 million cycles              | 5 million cycles                                       | 5 million cycles              | 5 million cycles                                       |
| Switching speed per channel      | 100 ms                        | 100 ms   | 100 ms                        | 100 ms   |
| Maximum input power              | 1 W (+30 dBm)                 | 1 W (+30 dBm)  | 1 W (+30 dBm)                 | 1 W (+30 dBm)  |
| Connectivity                     | LAN and GPIB                  | LAN and GPIB   | LAN and GPIB                  | LAN and GPIB   |
| Connector type                   | SMA/Type-N                    | SMA/Type-N   | SMA/Type-N                    | SMA/Type-N   |

## J7204A/B and J7205A/B Supplemental Characteristics

Supplemental characteristics are intended to provide useful information. They are typical but non-warranted performance parameters.

### J7204A/B and J7205A/B multi-channel attenuation control units

100 to 240 VAC (50/60 Hz)

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| Power | The instrument can operate with main supply voltage fluctuations of up to $\pm 10\%$ of the nominal voltage<br>Air conditioning equipment (or other motor-operated equipment) should not be placed on the same AC line that powers the J7204A/B and J7205A/B |
|       | The J7204A/B and J7205A/B maximum power is 50 W  |

## Attenuation Accuracy

( $\pm$  dB; reference from 0 dB setting)

| Attenuation setting for step ranges (dB) | DC to 6 GHz | 6 to 18 GHz |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| 1 to 2                                   | 0.3         | 0.7         |
| 3 to 4                                   | 0.4         | 0.7         |
| 5 to 6                                   | 0.5         | 0.8         |
| 7 to 10                                  | 0.6         | 0.8         |
| 11 to 20                                 | 0.7         | 1.4         |
| 21 to 40                                 | 1.2         | 2           |
| 41 to 60                                 | 1.8         | 2.8         |
| 61 to 80                                 | 2.4         | 3.6         |
| 81 to 100                                | 3           | 4.4         |
| 101 to 121                               | 3.3         | 5.3         |

## Typical Performance

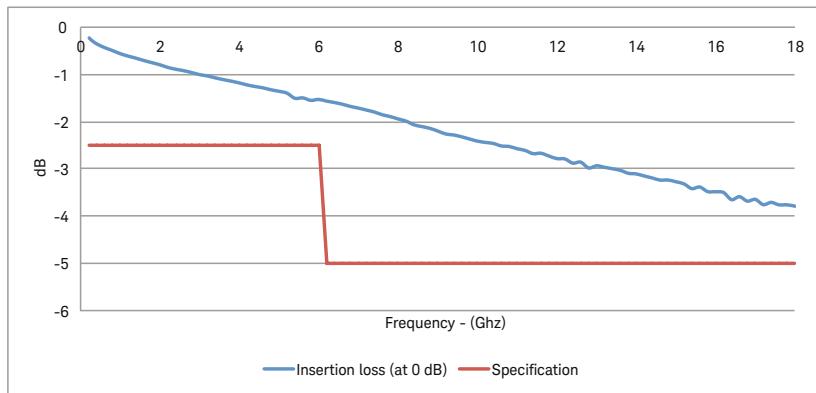


Figure 4. J7204A/B and J7205A/B insertion loss (at 0 dB) versus frequency

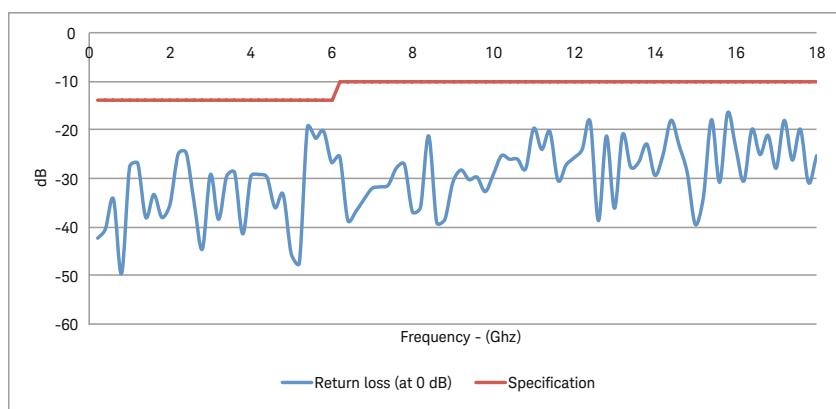


Figure 5. J7204A/B and J7205A/B return loss (at 0 dB) versus frequency

## Environmental Specifications

The J7204A/B and J7205A/B multi-channel attenuation control units are designed to fully comply with Keysight Technologies' product specifications. The following information shows the summarized environmental specifications for this product.

### Temperature range

|           |                |
|-----------|----------------|
| Operating | 0 to +55 °C    |
| Storage   | - 40 to +70 °C |

### Relative humidity

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| Operating | 95 % Relative Humidity (RH) at 40 °C, 5-day cycles |
| Storage   | 90% RH at 65 °C, 24 hours                          |

### Shock

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| End-use handling | Delta-V: 1.6 m/s, duration < 3ms             |
| Transportation   | 11.34 < m < 27.22 kg: 30 G, delta-V 6.76 m/s |

### Vibration

|                  |                               |
|------------------|-------------------------------|
| Operating random | 5 to 500 Hz, 0.21 g RMS       |
| Survival random  | 5 to 500 Hz, 2.09 g RMS       |
| Swept sine       | 5 Hz to 500 Hz to 5 Hz, 0.5 g |

### Altitude

|           |                            |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| Operating | 2,000 meters (6,651 feet)  |
| Storage   | 4,572 meters (15,000 feet) |

### ESD immunity

|                  |                          |
|------------------|--------------------------|
| Direct discharge | 4 kV per IEC/EN61000-4-2 |
| Air discharge    | 8 kV per IEC/EN61000-4-2 |

## Mechanical Dimension

Does not include SMA/Type-N connectors

\*Dimensions are in mm (inches) nominal, unless otherwise specified

| Specifications        | J7204A/B                      | J7205A/B            |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Net weight            | 11 kg (24.25 lbs)             | 11.5 kg (25.35 lbs) |
| Dimension (H x W x D) | 88.3 mm x 425.6 mm x 578.1 mm |                     |

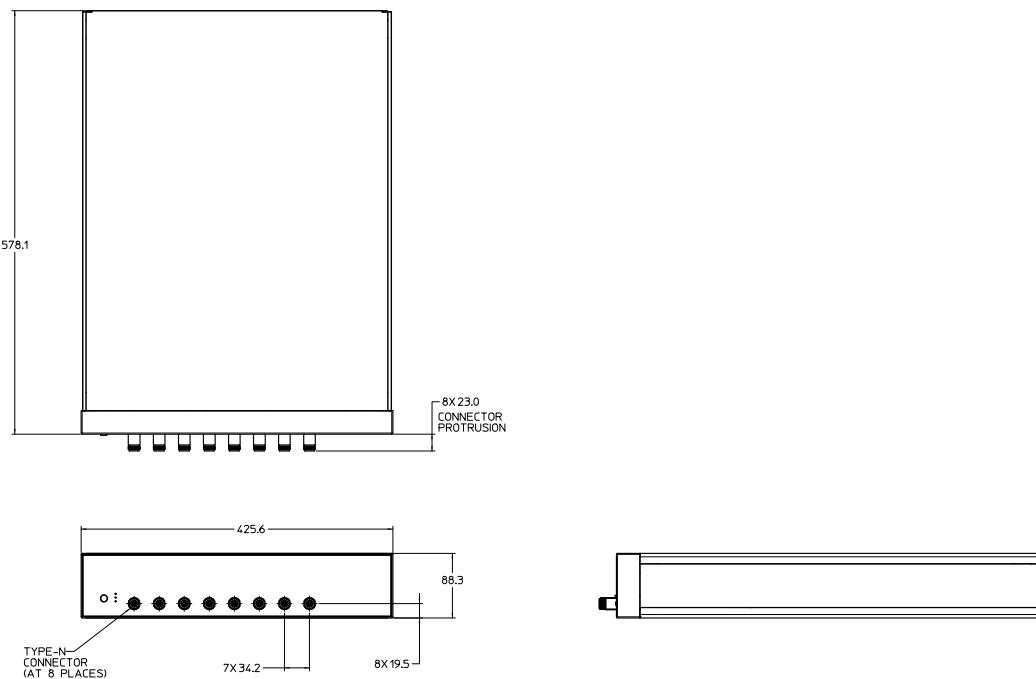


Figure 7. Product dimensions for J7204A/B (Option 001, Type-N connectors)

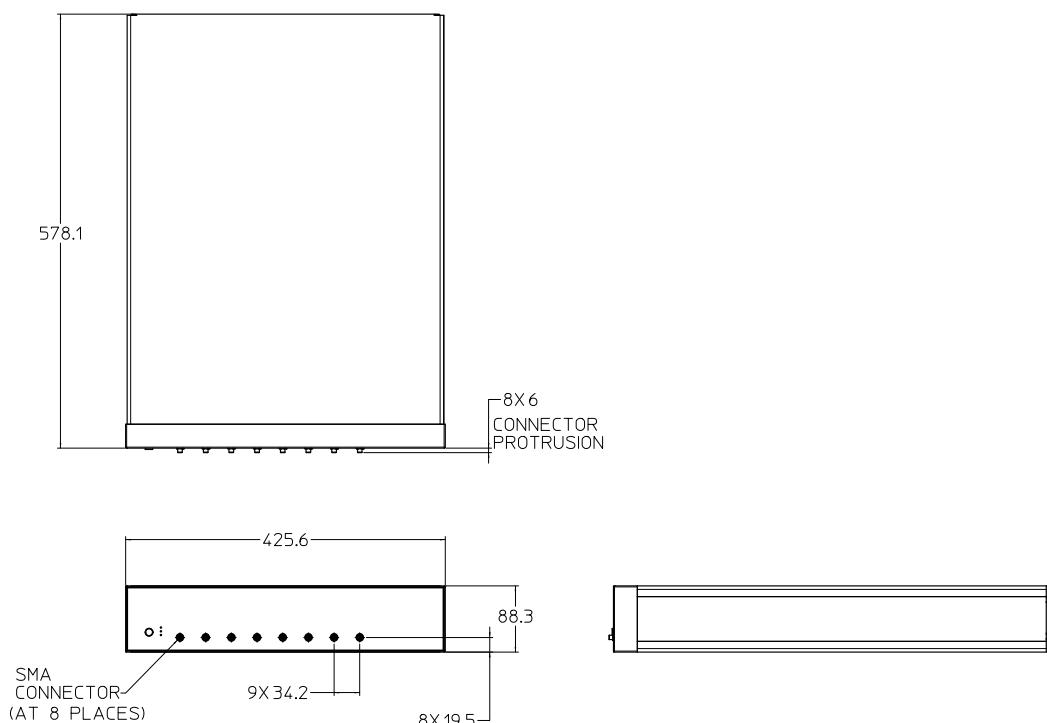


Figure 8. Product dimensions for J7204A/B (Option 002, SMA connectors)

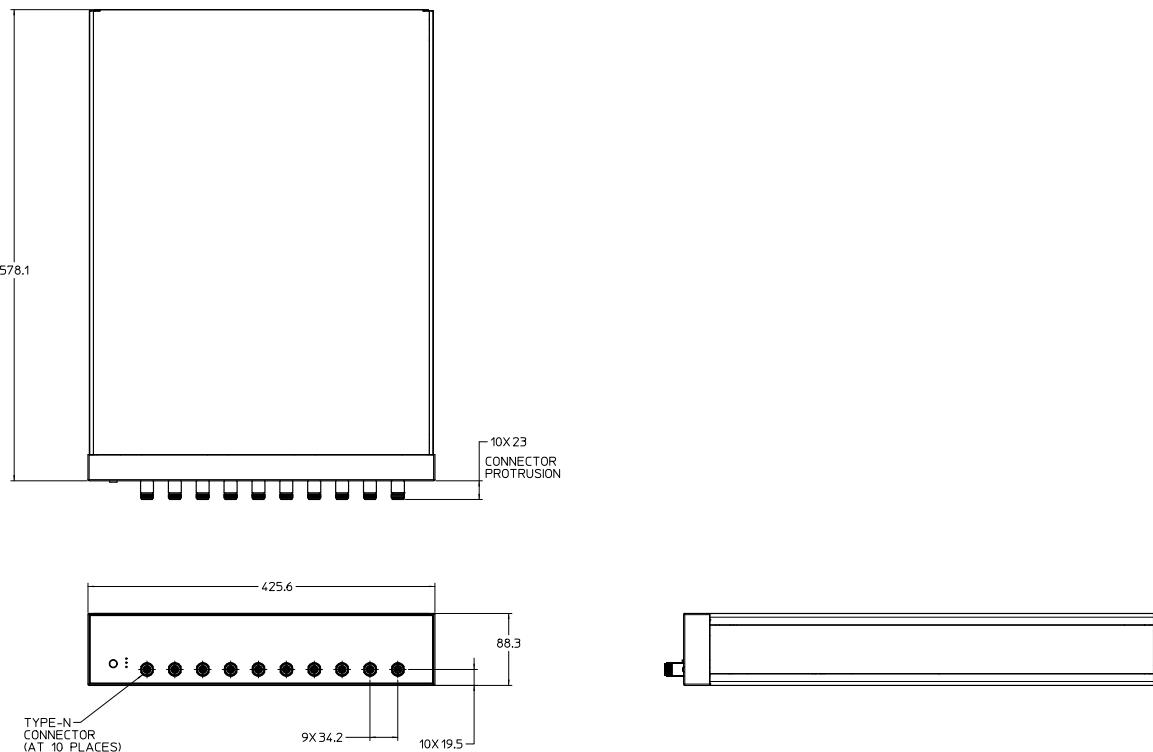


Figure 9. Product dimensions for J7205A/B (Option 001, Type-N connectors)

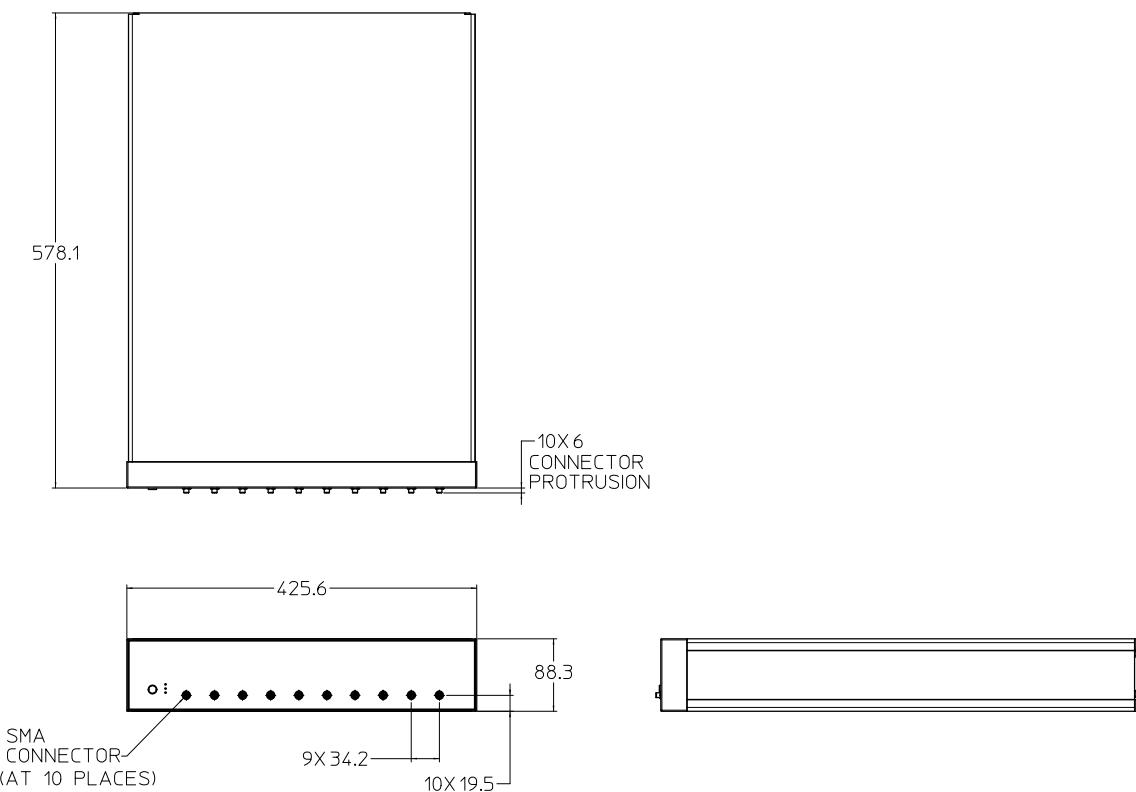


Figure 10. Product dimensions for J7205A/B (Option 002, SMA connectors)

## Ordering Information

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| J7204A     | 4-channels attenuation control unit, DC to 6 GHz, 0 to 121 dB  |
| J7204B     | 4-channels attenuation control unit, DC to 18 GHz, 0 to 121 dB |
| J7205A     | 5-channels attenuation control unit, DC to 6 GHz, 0 to 121 dB  |
| J7205B     | 5-channels attenuation control unit, DC to 18 GHz, 0 to 121 dB |
| Option 001 | Type-N (f) connectors  |
| Option 002 | SMA (f) connectors   |
| UK6        | Commercial calibration data                                    |

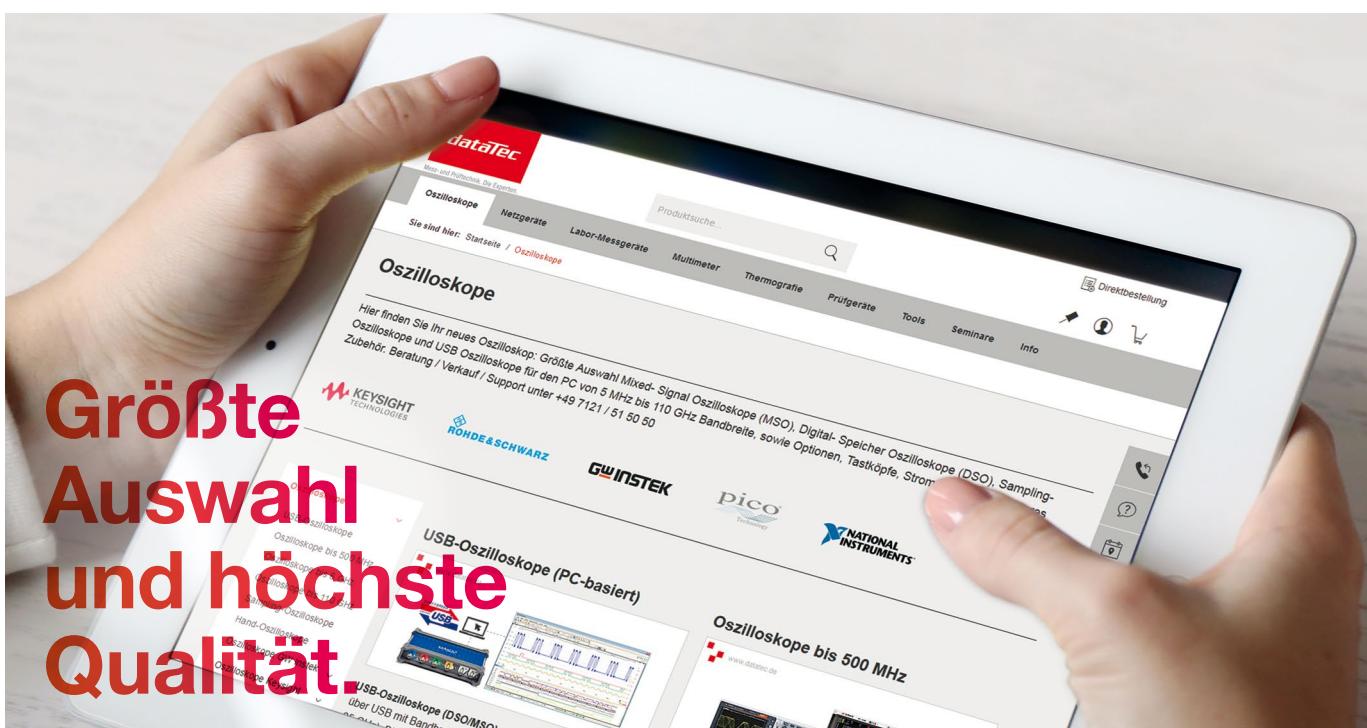
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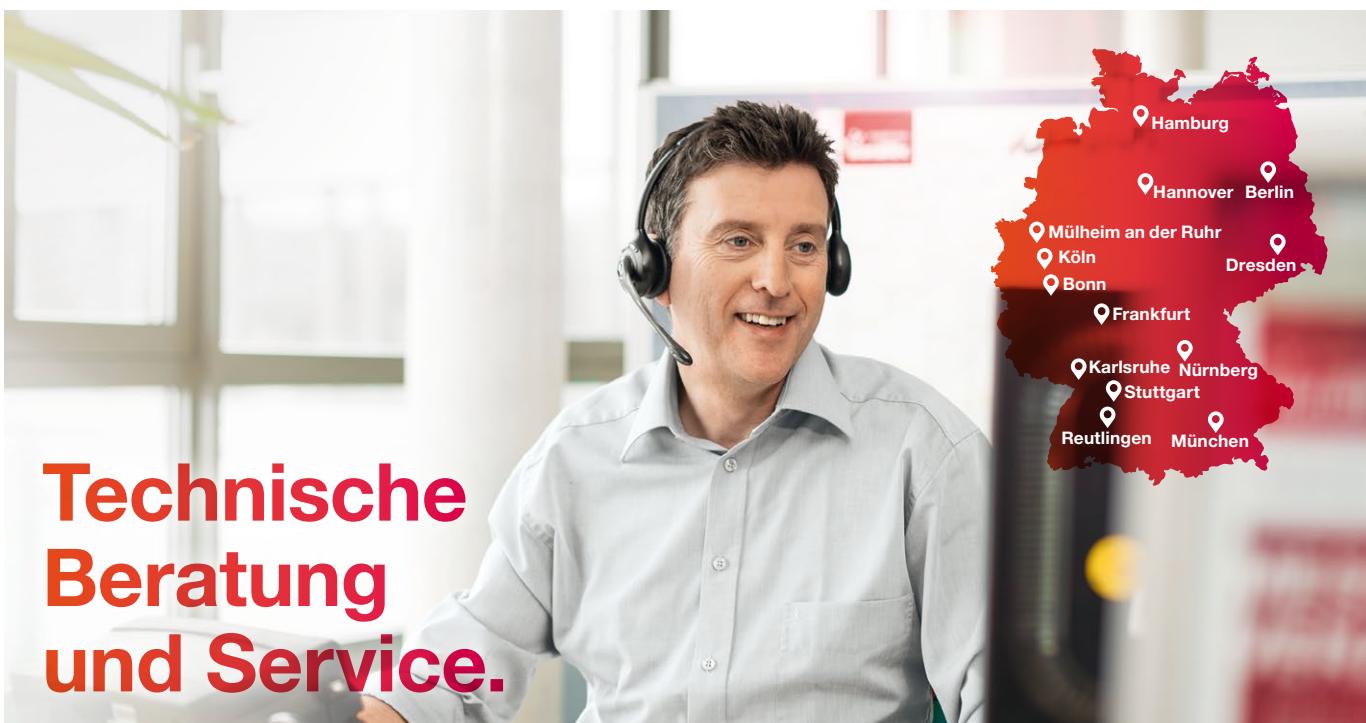
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