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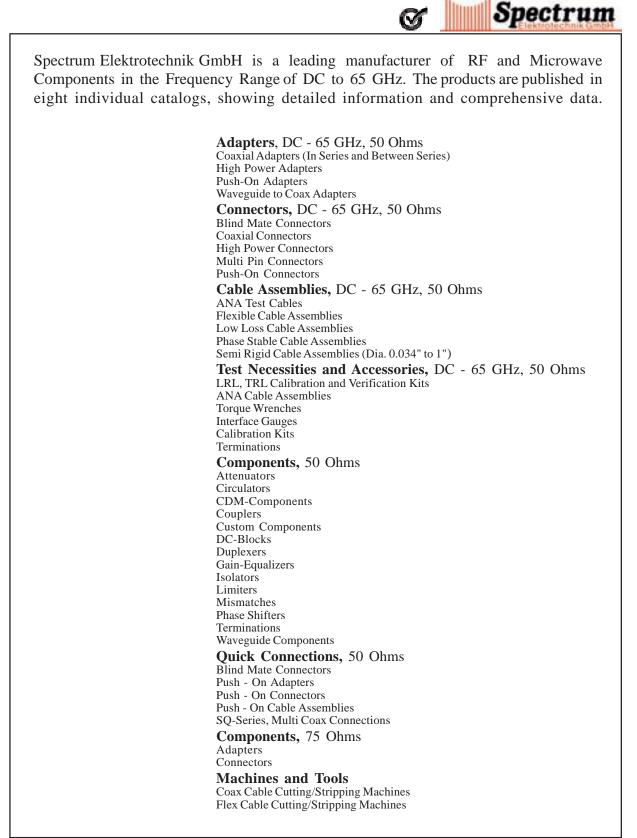




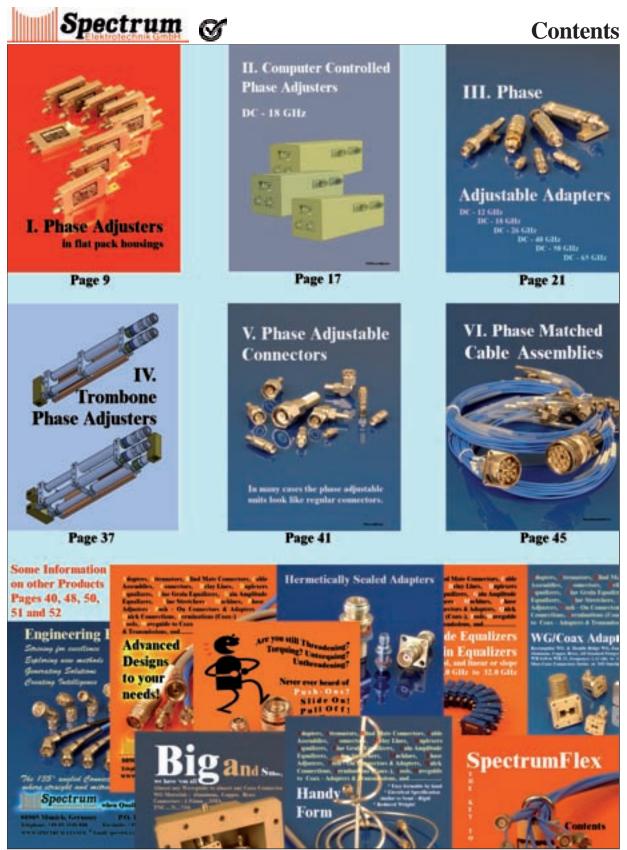




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Phase Adjusters



INTRODUCTION: The Precision Phase Shifters, or Phase Adjusters allow the adjustment of the electrical separation between components. A precision mechanical movement provides for smooth and accurate adjustment over the entire frequency range. A secure locking mechanism is furnished with every unit. A wide selection of components is available, offering different mechanical configuration, frequency range, electrical length, and/or connector configuration.

Phase Adjustment: The Phase Shifters are mechanical devices, therefore the change of phase depends on the adjustment of the electrical length of a line. For lower frequencies or longer phase adjustments, a trombone line is usually used; for higher frequencies or shorter adjustment, only a straight line may be sufficient. Using an air line results in low insertion loss and good VSWR. The designs of Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH employ air lines, whenever possible.

Frequency Range: Phase Adjusters are available for different frequency ranges, DC-2.0 GHz, DC-12.4 GHz, DC-18.0 GHz, DC-26.5 GHz, DC-40.0 GHz, DC-50.0 GHz, and DC-65.0 GHz. For economical reasons the components have been engineered for these different frequency bands. A rather simple design will meet all the requirements at lower frequency ranges, while only a most precise design will work satisfactorily at highest frequencies.

Connector Configuration: Most of the Phase Adjusters of Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH are available with different connector configurations, providing that the frequency range of the connectors do not limit the frequency range of the application. The flatpack phase adjusters can be supplied with 7mm, SMA, N, and TNC, males and females, as standard. Besides the units being supplied with connectors, using the same style but different sex at input and output, it is even possible to have a unit being supplied with connectors of completely different connector styles, e.g. N female as an input connector and SMA male as the output connector, etc.

The Adjustable Adapters and Components, serving to 26.5 GHz are offered with SMA connectors, and are available with male or female connectors at the in- and output or viceversa. To 40.0 GHz usually K* connectors will be used, and to 50.0 GHz the 2.4mm connectors have been chosen. The ones that work up to 65.0 GHz are assembled with 1.85mm connectors.

Applications: Mostly Phase Adjusters will be needed in systems where the adjustment of the phase is done for only a few times. As soon as the phase is set properly as needed in the system, the unit will usually be locked, and remain in this position. In other applications the phase shifters are installed in test sets where the adjustment of phase is made continuously. For these applications, only the Phase Adjusters using ball bearing support and special mechanisms can be recommended.

VSWR: Every microwave component shows reflections and discontinuities within the circuit, as no design can be perfect, and manufacturing tolerances unfortunately do not allow theoretical results. VSWR is the ratio of the reflected signal and the incident signal. Phase Shifters are using a high number of parts. Therefore, the tolerances on the dimensions of the piece parts need to be as tight as possible not only for mechanical purposes, but also for electrical reasons, in order to assure that reflections cannot build up after some time of operation.

Power: The standard components are designed for low or moderate power applications. For higher power applications, units can be supplied as specials, engineered exactly to the customer's needs.

Custom Units: Although Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH offers a wide variety of standard phase adjusters, there will always be a need for a special component, using different mechanical configuration, wider phase adjustment, other frequency ranges, etc. Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH is a very innovative Company. It employs a strong and successful team of experienced engineers. They will always do their best to propose something that will perfectly fit the customer's needs.

Phase Adjuster Life: The life expectancy of a unit will depend in the first place on the operating environment versus unit design. Secondly, it will depend on the lifetime of the ball bearings, seals and contact junctions. Other parameters that are limiting life are rotational speed and external mechanical loading, or pressurizing the unit. Harsh environment, subjecting the component to vibrations, shock, extremely low or high temperatures, humidity, etc. may further shorten the lifetime. It is therefore of utmost importance to identify in detail the environment the device is supposed to operate in.

If the unit is installed in a system where the phase only will be adjusted a few times, it would not be necessary to select a device that is using ball bearings in the design, vice versa will a phase adjuster cause trouble in an environment where it is constantly adjusted, when not the appropriate mechanical design will be used.

Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH has a large number of available designs. Please take the time to decide on the unit that fits exactly your requirements.

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Selection Chart

I. Phase Adjusters

Frequency Range (GHz)	Features	Outline	Page
DC - 2.0 DC - 12.0 DC - 18.0	Phase Adjuster Series LS-00 Main application: System Available Connectors: 3.5mm, 7mm, N, SMA, and TNC.	W-5.0 W-2	10
DC - 2.0 DC - 12.0 DC - 18.0	Phase Adjuster using Ball Bearing Adjustment Series LS-B0 Main application: Test Set Available Connectors: 3.5mm, 7mm, N, SMA, and TNC.	W W-5.0 W-2	12
DC - 2.0 DC - 12.0 DC - 18.0	Phase Adjuster with Micrometer Adjustment Series LS-M Main application: Test Set Available Connectors: 3.5mm, 7mm, N, SMA, and TNC.	CONNECTORS W-2'	14
DC - 12.0	Phase Adjuster with in line locking screws LS-S012-2121 Main application: System Available Connectors: SMA female to SMA female		16

II. Computer Controlled Phase Adjuster

Frequency Range (GHz)	Features	Preview	Page
DC - 18.0	Low Cost Computer Controlled Phase Adjuster 700° @ 18 GHz		17

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Page	Frequency Range (GHz)	Features	Outline
22	DC - 12.0 DC - 18.0 DC - 26.0	Phase Adjustable Adapter Main application: System Available Connectors: SMA	All the two of
25	DC - 26.0	Phase Adjustable Adapter LS-0170-1121 Main application: System Available Connectors: SMA	300, more 100 - 1
26	DC - 26.0	Phase Adjustable Adapter LS-0321-1121 Main application: System Available Connectors: SMA	SMA Int. non Int. Int. Int. non Int. Int. Int. Int. non Int. Int. Int. non Int. Int. Int. non Int. Int. Int. Int. Int. Int. Int. Int.
27	DC - 26.0	Phase Adjustable Adapter LS-S008-1121 Main application: System/Test Set Available Connectors: SMA	And and a second
28	DC - 18	Phase Adjustable Adapter LS118-5161 Main application: System Available Connectors: N	Note Note
30	DC - 40.0	Phase Adjustable Adapter Series LS140-KFKM Main application: System/Test Set Available Connectors: K*	5 Munich Germany Tel. +49-89-3548-0400 Fax +49-89-3548-0490

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III. Phase Adjustable Adapters

Frequency Range (GHz)	Features	Outline	Page
DC - 50.0	Phase Adjustable Adapter Series LS150-HFHM Main application: System/Test Set Available Connectors: 2.4 mm	And the set of the set	32
DC - 63.0	Phase Adjustable Adapter Series LS165-VFVM Main application: System/Test Set Available Connectors: 1.85mm		34

IV. Trombone Phase Adjusters

(GHz)	Features	Outline	Page
DC - 3.0	Trombone Phase Adjuster: LS-0103-6161 Main application: System/Test Set Available Connectors: N	54.9 12.2957 54.9 12.2957 4.3.9 11.7287 34.2.3 (11.61%) ² min. af fully span condition 167.3 105.5227 max. at fully closed condition 167.8 10.0007 167.8 10.0007 177.8 10.0007 17	37
DC - 3.0	Trombone Phase Adjuster: LS-0203-6161 Main application: System/Test Set Available Connectors: N	21.6 (1,110) 43,90 (1,726) 34,3 (1,105) 34,3 (1,105) 3	37

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V. Phase Adjustable Connectors Frequency Page Range Outline Features (GHz) Phase Adjustable Cable Connector of Type SMA 42 DC - 26.0 Main application: System Available Connectors: SMA Phase Adjustable Cable PHASE # Connector of Type SMA Series LS-0085-S001 42 DC - 18.0 Main application: System 8.65(.36") 31.4 (1.35) Available Connectors: SMA LOONUT Phase Adjustable Cable Connector of Type SMA Series LS-0200-02 43 DC - 18.0 Main application: System 43.6 (1.7)7'3 HP 48.6 (1.9)3'3 MP Available Connectors: SMA Phase Adjustable Cable Connector of Type SMP Series 1102-65LS-04 44 DC - 18.0 Main application: System Available Connectors: SMP

VI. Phase and Delay Matched Cable Assemblies

Page	Frequency Range (GHz)	Features	Preview
45	DC - 65.0	Cable Assemblies and Harnesses and Delay Lines	

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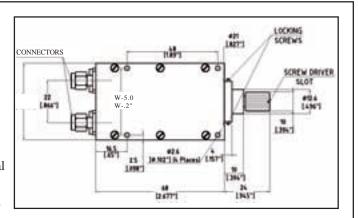
DC to 2.0 GHz DC to 12.0 GHz Phase Adjusters DC to 18.0 GHz

- Application: System Use: "Set to the electrical length and lock."
- Precision Phase Adjusters, DC to 2.0, 12.0 and 18.0 GHz.
- Small housing, flat pack configuration. Housing Finish: Iridited. On special
- Four mounting locations are provided.
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 Impedance of 50 Ohms is maintained over the full adjustment range.
- Positive resettable locking mechanism.
- Smooth continuous phase adjustment.
- Internal Trombone Line, no external physical length change.
- Rugged construction: housing is made from aluminum, connector outer conductors from stainless steel.
- Bead captivated center contacts.

LS-0018-3141

LS-0018-4141

Spring fingers and center contacts are made from beryllium copper, heat treated and gold plated per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C.



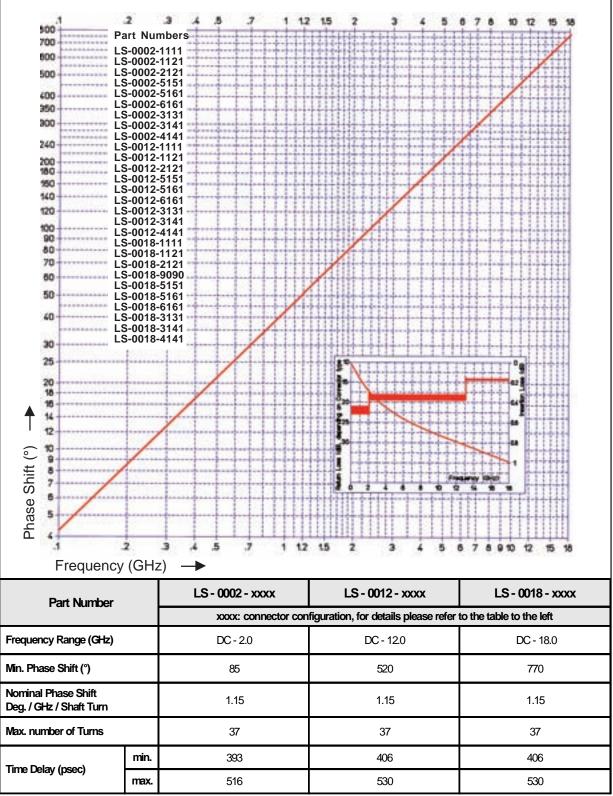
- Different connector configurations available, such as 3.5mm, 7mm, SMA, N, and TNC. For other connector configurations, please consult the factory. Operating temperature range: -54° C to $+115^{\circ}$ C.
- R.F. **Outline Dimensions** VSWR Phase Part Number Frequency Insertion Connectors Shift max. Loss Length Width Height LS-0002-1111 SMA-M / SMA-M 0.3 dB max. 85° min. 68 mm 42 mm 12.7 mm SMA-M / SMA-F LS-0002-1121 1.15:1 at 2.0 GHz at 2.0 GHz 2.677" 1.654" .500" LS-0002-2121 SMA-F / SMA-F LS-0002-5151 N - M / N - M DC to N - M / N - F LS-0002-5161 2.0 GHz LS-0002-6161 85° min. N - F / N - F0.3 dB max. 68 mm 42 mm 22 mm 1.20:1 at 2.0 GHz at 2.0 GHz 1.654" .866" LS-0002-3131 TNC-M / TNC-M 2.677" TNC-M / TNC-F LS-0002-3141 LS-0002-4141 TNC-F / TNC-F LS-0012-1111 SMA-M / SMA-M 520° min. 68 mm 12.7 mm 0.8 dB max. 40 mm LS-0012-1121 1.25:1 SMA-M / SMA-F at 12.0 GHz at 12.0 GHz 2.677" 1.575" .500" LS-0012-2121 SMA-F / SMA-F LS-0012-5151 N - M / N - M DC to LS-0012-5161 N - M / N - F 12.0 GHz N - F / N - FLS-0012-6161 0.8 dB max. 520° min. 68 mm 42 mm 22 mm 1.30:1 at 12.0 GHz at 12.0 GHz TNC-M / TNC-M 2.677" 1.654" .866" LS-0012-3131 TNC-M / TNC-F LS-0012-3141 TNC-F / TNC-F LS-0012-4141 SMA-M / SMA-M LS-0018-1111 68 mm 40 mm 12.7 mm SMA-M / SMA-F LS-0018-1121 1.0 dB max. 770° min. 1.50:1 2.677" 1.575" .500" at 18.0 GHz at 18.0 GHz SMA-F / SMA-F LS-0018-2121 LS-0018-9090 7 mm / 7 mm 68 mm 70 mm 30 mm LS-0018-5151 N - M / N - M DC to 18.0 GHz LS-0018-5161 N - M / N - F LS-0018-6161 N - F / N - F770° min. 1.0 dB max. 68 mm 42 mm 22 mm 1.50:1 LS-0018-3131 at 18.0 GHz at 18.0 GHz TNC-M / TNC-M 2.677" 1.654" .866"

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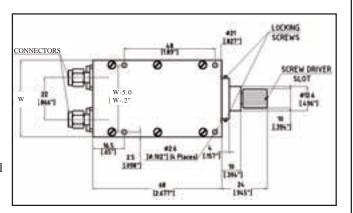




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DC to 12.0 GHz **Phase Adjusters with Ball Bearing Support** DC to 18.0 GHz

- Application: Test Set & System Use: "Adjust the electrical length many times"
- Ball Bearings adjustment. •
- Precision Phase Adjusters, DC to 2.0, 12.0, and 18.0 GHz.
- Small housing, flat pack configuration. Housing Finish: Iridited. On special request, painting can be supplied. •
- Four mounting locations are provided. Impedance of 50 Ohms is maintained over the full adjustment range. Positive resettable locking mechanism.
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- Smooth continuous phase adjustment. Internal Trombone Line, no external physical length change.
- Rugged construction: housing is made from aluminum, connector outer conductors from stainless steel. Bead captivated center contacts.
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- Spring fingers and center contacts are made from beryllium copper, heat treated and gold plated per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C.



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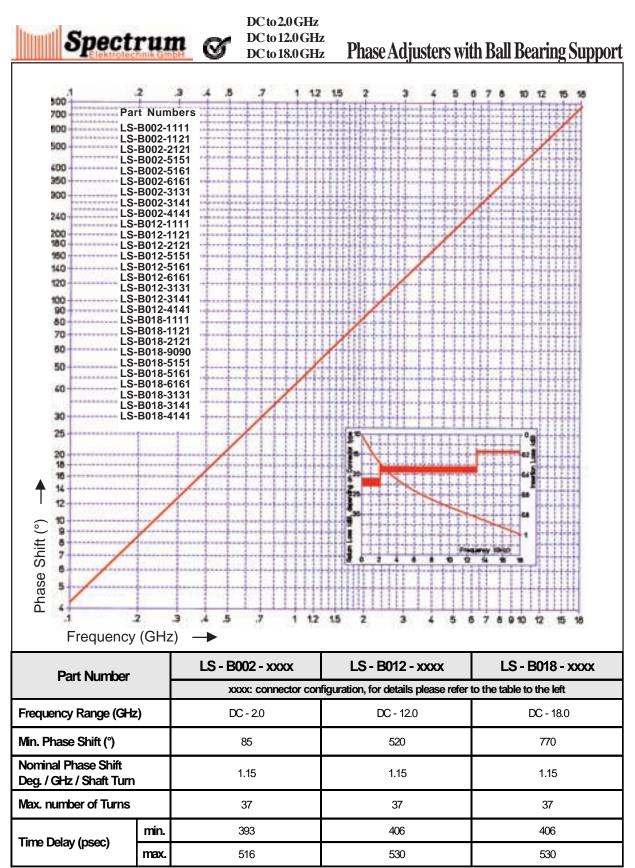
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- Different connector configurations available, such as 3.5mm, 7mm, SMA, N, and TNC. For other connector configurations, please consult the factory.
- Operating temperature range: -54° C to $+115^{\circ}$ C.

Part Number	Frequency	VSWR	R.F. Insertion	Phase	Connectors	Outli	Outline Dimensions		
		max.	Loss	Shift		Length	Width	Height	
LS-B002-1111				QE ^Q min	SMA-M / SMA-M	60 mm	42 mm	10.7 mm	
LS-B002-1121		1.15 : 1	0.3 dB max. at 2.0 GHz	85° min. at 2.0 GHz	SMA-M / SMA-F	68 mm 2.677"	42 mm 1.654"	12.7 mm .500"	
LS-B002-2121				at 2.0 Of 12	SMA-F / SMA-F	2.011	1.004		
LS-B002-5151	DC to				N - M / N - M				
LS-B002-5161	2.0 GHz				N - M / N - F				
LS-B002-6161	2.0 0112	1.20 : 1	0.3 dB max.	85° min.	N - F / N - F	68 mm	42 mm	22 mm	
LS-B002-3131		1.20.1	at 2.0 GHz	at 2.0 GHz	TNC-M / TNC-M	2.677"	1.654"	.866"	
LS-B002-3141					TNC-M / TNC-F				
LS-B002-4141					TNC-F / TNC-F				
LS-B012-1111			0.8 dB max.	520° min.	SMA-M / SMA-M	68 mm	40 mm	12.7 mm	
LS-B012-1121		1.25 : 1	at 12.0 GHz		SMA-M / SMA-F	2.677"	1.575"	.500"	
LS-B012-2121	DC to				SMA-F / SMA-F				
LS-B012-5151		1.30 : 1	0.8 dB max. at 12.0 GHz	520° min. at 12.0 GHz	N - M / N - M		42 mm 1.654"	22 mm .866"	
LS-B012-5161	12.0 GHz				N - M / N - F				
LS-B012-6161					N - F / N - F				
LS-B012-3131					TNC-M / TNC-M				
LS-B012-3141					TNC-M / TNC-F				
LS-B012-4141					TNC-F / TNC-F				
LS-B018-1111					SMA-M / SMA-M	68 mm	40 mm	12.7 mm	
LS-B018-1121		1.50 : 1	1.0 dB max.	770° min.	SMA-M / SMA-F	2.677"	1.575"	.500"	
LS-B018-2121			at 18.0 GHz	at 18.0 GHz	SMA-F / SMA-F				
LS-B018-9090					7 mm / 7 mm	68 mm	70 mm	30 mm	
LS-B018-5151	DC to				N - M / N - M				
LS-B018-5161	18.0 GHz				N - M / N - F				
LS-B018-6161		1.50 : 1	1.0 dB max.	770° min.	N - F / N - F	68 mm	42 mm	22 mm	
LS-B018-3131			at 18.0 GHz	at 18.0 GHz	TNC-M / TNC-M	2.677"	1.654"	.866"	
LS-B018-3141					TNC-M / TNC-F				
LS-B018-4141					TNC-F / TNC-F				

DC to 2.0 GHz

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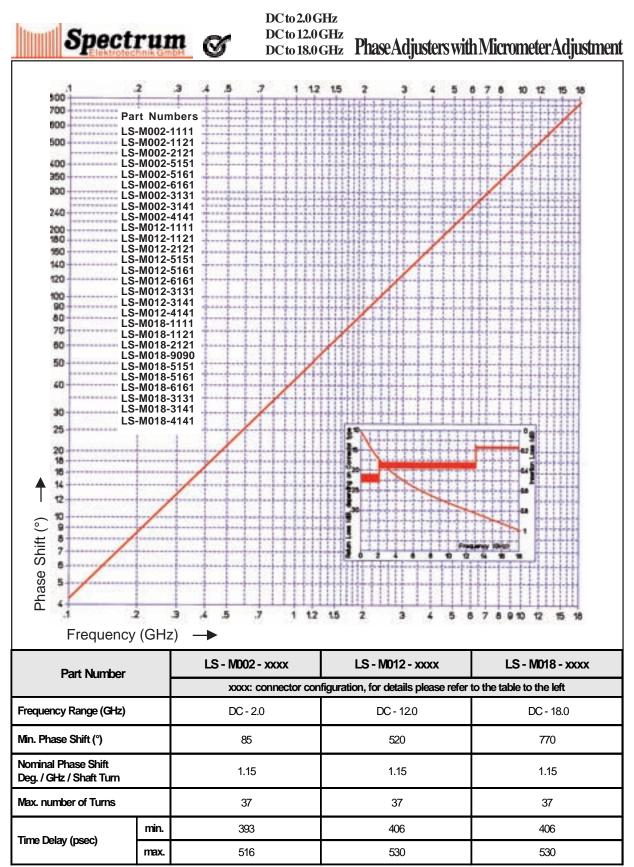
PhaseAdjusters with MicrometerAdjustment DC to 12.0 GHz DC to 12.0 GHz DC to 18.0 GHz

- Application: Test Set "Set the electrical length by micrometer adjustment".
- Precision Phase Adjusters, DC to 2.0, 12.0, and 18.0 GHz.
- Small housing, flat pack configuration.
 Housing Finish: Iridited On special reg
- Housing Finish: Iridited. On special request, painting can be supplied.
- Four mounting locations are provided.
- Impedance of 50 Ohms is maintained over the full adjustment range.
- Smooth continuous phase adjustment.

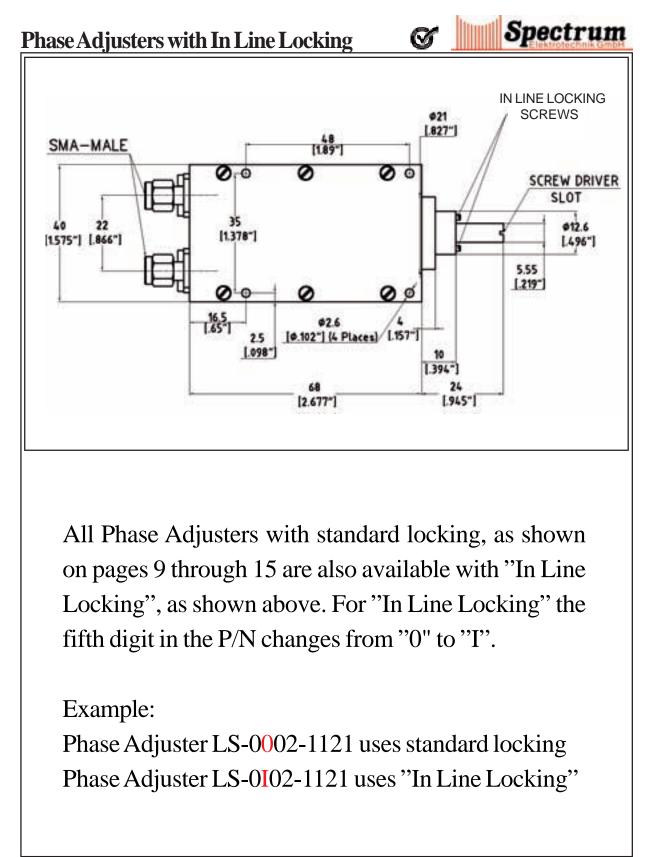
- Internal Trombone Line, no external physical length change.
- Rugged construction: housing is made from aluminum, connector outer conductors from stainless steel.
- Bead captivated center contacts
- Spring fingers and center contacts are made from beryllium copper, heat treated and gold plated per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C.
- Different connector configurations available, such as 3.5mm, 7mm, SMA, N, and TNC. For other connector configurations, please consult the factory.
- Operating temperature range: -54°C to +115°C.

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Part Number	Frequency	VSWR	R.F. Insertion	Phase	Connectors	Outli	ne Dimens	ions
	,	max.	Loss	Shift		Length	Width	Height
LS-M002-1111 LS-M002-1121 LS-M002-2121		1.15 : 1	0.3 dB max. at 2.0 GHz	85° min. at 2.0 GHz	SMA-M / SMA-M SMA-M / SMA-F SMA-F / SMA-F	81 mm 3.189"	42 mm 1.654"	20.0 mm .787"
LS-M002-5151 LS-M002-5161 LS-M002-6161 LS-M002-3131 LS-M002-3141 LS-M002-4141	DC to 2.0 GHz	1.20 : 1	0.3 dB max. at 2.0 GHz	85° min. at 2.0 GHz	N - M / N - M N - M / N - F N - F / N - F TNC-M / TNC-M TNC-M / TNC-F TNC-F / TNC-F	81 mm 3.189"	42 mm 1.654"	22 mm .866"
LS-M012-1111 LS-M012-1121 LS-M012-2121		1.25 : 1	0.8 dB max. at 12.0 GHz	520° min. at 12.0 GHz	SMA-M / SMA-M SMA-M / SMA-F SMA-F / SMA-F	81 mm 3.189"	40 mm 1.575"	20.0 mm .787"
LS-M012-5151 LS-M012-5161 LS-M012-6161 LS-M012-3131 LS-M012-3141 LS-M012-4141	DC to 12.0 GHz	1.30 : 1	0.8 dB max. at 12.0 GHz	520° min. at 12.0 GHz	N - M / N - M N - M / N - F N - F / N - F TNC-M / TNC-M TNC-M / TNC-F TNC-F / TNC-F	81 mm 3.189"	42 mm 1.654"	22 mm .866"
LS-M018-1111 LS-M018-1121 LS-M018-2121 LS-M018-9090		1.50 : 1	1.0 dB max. at 18.0 GHz	770° min. at 18.0 GHz	SMA-M / SMA-M SMA-M / SMA-F SMA-F / SMA-F 7 mm / 7 mm	81 mm 3.189" 81 mm	40 mm 1.575" 70 mm	20.0 mm .787" 30 mm
LS-M018-5050 LS-M018-5151 LS-M018-5161 LS-M018-6161 LS-M018-3131 LS-M018-3141 LS-M018-4141	DC to 18.0 GHz	1.50 : 1	1.0 dB max. at 18.0 GHz	770° min. at 18.0 GHz	N - M / N - M N - M / N - F N - F / N - F TNC-M / TNC-M TNC-M / TNC-F TNC-F / TNC-F	81 mm 3.189"	42 mm 1.654"	22 mm .866"

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Electronically Controlled Phase Shifter DC to 18 GHz

Phase easily adjusted by your PC. Software will be supplied with the unit.



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INTRODUCTION: The computer controlled Phase Adjusters are subsystems, using one or more phase adjusters, allowing the adjustment of the electrical separation between components in increments and cycles, set by individual software, as needed in the project or the test station. Normally, a PC is used to design, drive and control the software, interfacing with driver circuits, operating stepper motor drives, providing a precision mechanical movement for smooth and accurate adjustment over the entire frequency range of the Phase Adjusters.

Practically any of the mechanical Phase Adjusters, shown in this section, can be used and built into subsystems using computer controlled circuits, sometimes with redesigned or modified mechanical or electrical configuration.

PHASE ADJUSTMENT: The Phase Adjustment depends on the increments and lengths changes as set by the software and the mechanical properties of the phase devices used in the subsystem.

FREQUENCY RANGE: The frequency range of the subsystem depends on the frequency range of the Phase Adjusters. They are available for different frequency ranges, DC-2.0 GHz, DC-12.4 GHz, DC-18.0 GHz, DC-26.5 GHz, DC-40.0 GHz, D*C-50.0 GHz, and DC-63 GHz. For economical reasons the components have been engineered for these different frequency bands. A rather simple design will meet all the requirements at lower frequency ranges, while usually only a most precise and sometimes also most complicated design needs to be used at higher frequencies. For special requirements, standard units may be redesigned, or components engineered exactly to the customer's needs can be offered.

CONNECTOR CONFIGURATION: Most of the Phase Adjusters of Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH are available with different connector configurations, providing that the frequency range of the connectors do not limit the frequency range of the application. 7mm, N, SMA and TNC connectors can be used to 18.0 GHz, 3.5mm connectors to 26.5 GHz, or respectively to 35.0 GHz, K* connectors to 40.0 GHz, 2.4mm connectors to 50.0 GHz, and 1.85 mm connectors to 63 GHz. For the subsystem, almost any connector configuration will be possible, as the subsystem in general will be a custom design anyway. Therefore subsystems could also be supplied with BNC, C, HN, SC or any other connector configuration, assuming that the connectors are still manufactured by Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH or are at least available from other sources in the configuration needed.

Power: Phase Adjusters are usually designed for low or moderate power applications. For higher power systems units as specials can be supplied, engineered exactly to the customer's needs.

VSWR: Every microwave component shows reflections and discontinuities within the circuit, as no design can be perfect, and manufacturing tolerances unfortunately do not allow theoretical results. VSWR is the ratio of the reflected signal and the incident signal. Phase Shifters are usually using a high number of parts. Therefore the tolerances on the dimensions of the piece parts need to be as tight as possible, not only for mechanical purposes, but also for electrical reasons, in order to assure that reflections cannot build up or increase after some time of operation.

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INTRODUCTION: The computer controlled Phase Adjusters are subsystems, using one or more phase adjusters, allowing the adjustment of the electrical separation between components in increments and cycles, set by individual software, as needed in the project or the test station. Normally, a PC is used to design, drive and control the software, interfacing with driver circuits, operating stepper motor drives, providing a precision mechanical movement for smooth and accurate adjustment over the entire frequency range of the Phase Adjusters.

Practically any of the mechanical Phase Adjusters, shown in this section, can be used and built into subsystems using computer controlled circuits, sometimes with redesigned or modified mechanical or electrical configuration.

PHASE ADJUSTMENT: The Phase Adjustment depends on the increments and lengths changes as set by the software and the mechanical properties of the phase devices used in the subsystem.

FREQUENCY RANGE: The frequency range of the subsystem depends on the frequency range of the Phase Adjusters. They are available for different frequency ranges, DC-2.0 GHz, DC-12.4 GHz, DC-18.0 GHz, DC-26.5 GHz, DC-40.0 GHz, D*C-50.0 GHz, and DC-63 GHz. For economical reasons the components have been engineered for these different frequency bands. A rather simple design will meet all the requirements at lower frequency ranges, while usually only a most precise and sometimes also most complicated design needs to be used at higher frequencies. For special requirements, standard units may be redesigned, or components engineered exactly to the customer's needs can be offered.

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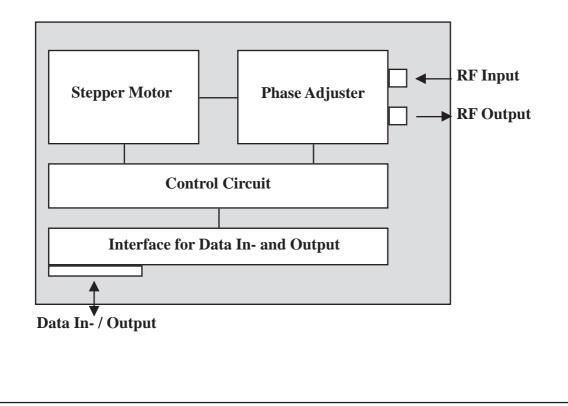
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Custom Units: Computer controlled Phase Adjusters are mainly custom made subsystems, designed and manufactured to the customer's needs, exactly to his specification. Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH is a very innovative Company. It employs a strong and successful team of experienced engineers who always do their best to propose something that will perfectly fit the customer's needs.

Life: The life expectancy of the subsystem will depend in the first place on the operating environment versus unit design. Secondly, it will depend on the lifetime of the ball bearings, seals, and contact junctions, and of the lifetime of the stepper motor drives itself. Other parameters that are limiting life, are rotational speed, and external mechanical loading, or pressurizing the unit. Harsh environment, subjecting the component to vibrations, shock, extremely low or high temperatures, humidity, etc. may further shorten the lifetime as well. It is therefore of utmost importance to identify in detail the environment in which the device is supposed to operate .

Applications: Computer controlled Phase Adjusters are needed in test stations for accurate and repeatable testing where the adjustment of the phase has to be repeated for many times, either in steps, or in cycles, as defined in a program. Subsystems usually work in a lab environment.



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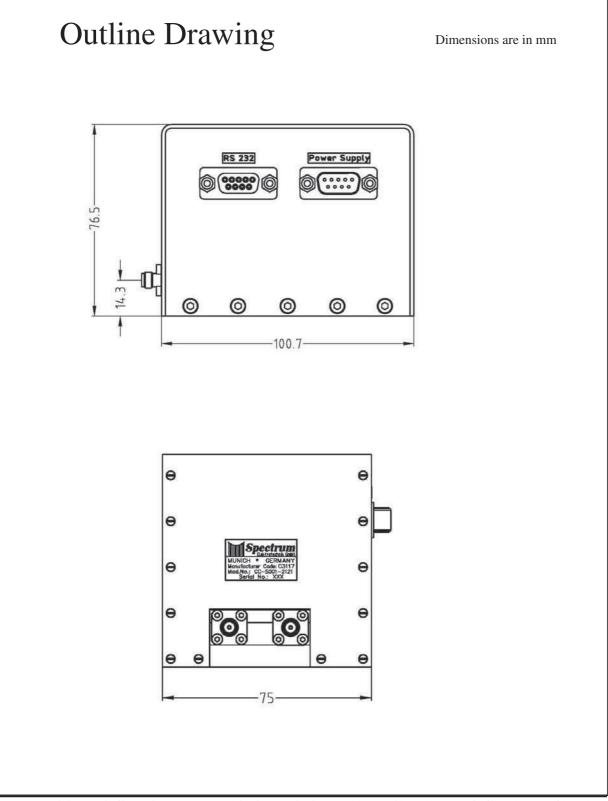
Specifications:

Frequency Range: DC to 18 GHz Phase adjustable range: 700° at 18 GHz Delay Time min.: ~400ps@18GHz Delay Time max.: ~510ps@18GHz Step Size (Resolution): ~0.2ps Setting Time (relatively 0 ps to 110ps at 1ps step) : less than 30 seconds Repeatability : less than 0.1 ps when moving in the same direction Insertion Loss max.: 1dB@18GHz Return Loss : -14dB@18GHz Life Time: tbd **Operating Temperature : 0°C to +55°C** Storage Temperature : 0°C to +55°C RF input/output connectors: SMA fem., other connector styles on request

Interfac	ce: RS232	
Supply	Voltage: 12V	

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III. Phase Adjustable Adapters

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Adjustable Adapters

DC - 12 GHz DC - 18 GHz DC - 26 GHz

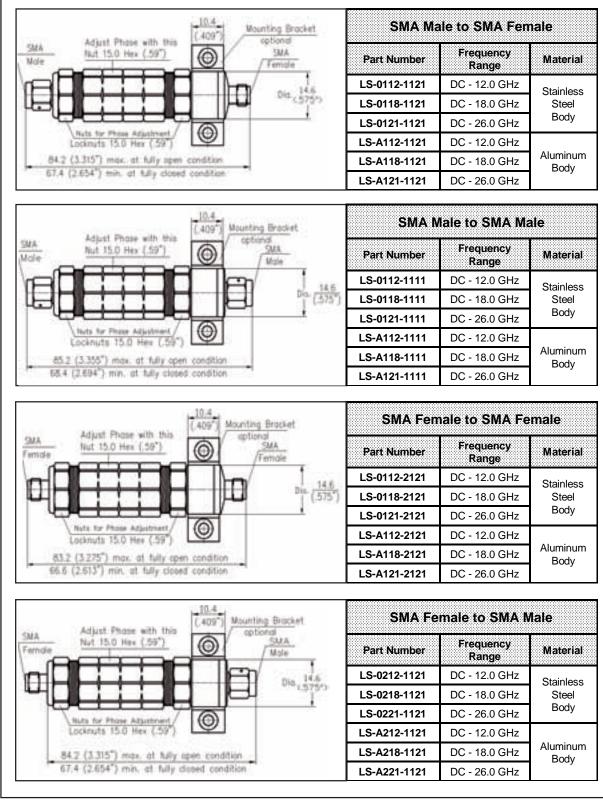
DC - 40 GHz

DC - 50 GHz

DC - 65 GHz

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Phase Adjustable Adapters DC to 12.0 GHz DC to 18.0 GHz DC to 26.0 GHz



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DC to 12.0 GHz DC to 18.0 GHz DC to 26.0 GHz Phase Adjustable Adapters

• Precision phase adjustable adapters, DC to 12.0, 18.0 and 26.0 GHz.

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- Impedance of 50 Ohms is maintained over the full adjustment range.
- Positive resettable locking mechanism.

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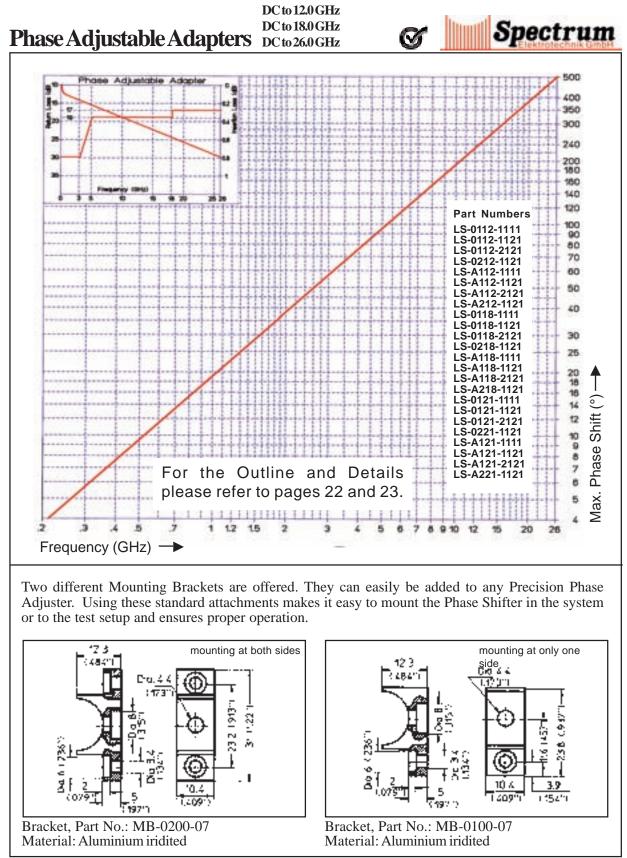
- Smooth continuous phase adjustment.
- Physical length change of the unit equals the electrical length change.
- Rugged construction, housing and outer conductors are made from stainless steel.
- Light weight components are available, using aluminum for the housing, but for physical endurance connector outer shells are still supplied in stainless steel.

- Spring fingers and center contacts are made from beryllium copper, heat treated and gold plated per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C.
- SMA connector interface specification per MIL-STD-348A.
- Four different connector configurations can be obtained, as shown in the drawings: SMAm - SMAf, SMAm - SMAm, SMAf -SMAf, SMAf - SMAm.
- Operating temperature range: -54°C to +115°C, units with extended temperature range are available on request.
- Mounting Brackets are optional and are shown on the drawings on the next page.
- Diagram Phase Shift(°) versus Frequency (GHz), please refer to page 24.

Part Number	Sex	Frequency Range	VSWR max.	Insertion Loss max.	Phase Shift min.	No. of Turns	Nom. Phase Shift Deg./GHz/Turn	Time Dela (psec.) min. max.	Weight
LS-0112-1111	M - M								Stainless
LS-0112-1121	M - F								Steel
LS-0112-2121	F-F								70 a
LS-0212-1121	M - F	DC - 12.0	1.25 : 1	0.4 dB	230° at 12.0 GHz	16.5	1.2	238 293	70 g
LS-A112-1111	M - M	GHz							Aluminu
LS-A112-1121	M - F F - F								
LS-A112-2121 LS-A212-1121	M - F								47 g
LS-0118-1111	M - M								Staiplag
LS-0118-1121	M - F		1.25 : 1	0.6 dB	350° at 18.0 GHz	16.5	1.2		Stainles Steel
LS-0118-2121	F - F	1						000 00	01001
LS-0218-1121	M - F	DC - 18.0							70 g
LS-A118-1111	M - M	GHz						238 293	
LS-A118-1121	M - F]							Aluminu
LS-A118-2121	F - F								47 g
LS-A218-1121	M - F								Ύ Ύ
LS-0121-1111	M - M								Stainless
LS-0121-1121	M - F								Steel
LS-0121-2121	F - F								
LS-0221-1121	M - F	DC - 26.0	1.30 : 1	0.8 dB	500° at	16.5	1.2	238 293	70 g
LS-A121-1111	M - M	GHz		0.0 0.0	26.0 GHz	10.0			Aluminu
LS-A121-1121	M - F	4							,
LS-A121-2121	F - F	4							47 g
LS-A221-1121	M - F								

• Captivated center contacts.

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Spectrum S DCto26.0GHzPhaseAdjustableMiniatureAdapter

- Precision phase adjustable adapters, DC to 26.0 GHz.
- Impedance of 50 Ohms is maintained over the full adjustment range.
- Positive resettable locking mechanism.
- Smooth continuous phase adjustment.
- Physical length change of the unit equals the electrical length change.
- Rugged construction, housing and outer conductors are made from stainless steel.

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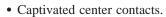
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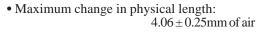
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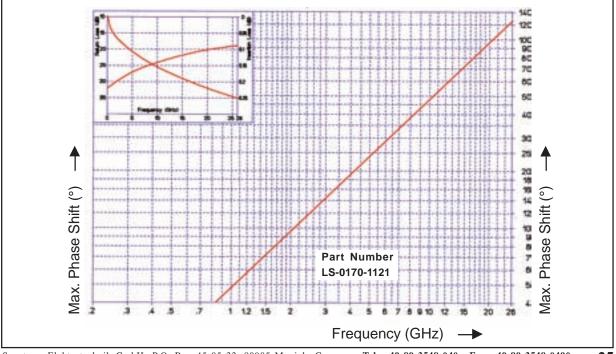
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- Spring fingers and center contacts are made from beryllium copper, heat treated and gold plated per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C.
- SMA connector interface specification per MIL-STD-348A.
- Operating temperature range: -54°C to +115°C, units with extended temperature range are available on request.
- Physical length change per revolution of adjustment nut: ~ 0.30 mm
- Electrical length change per revolution of adjustment nut: ~ 0.30 mm



Part Number	Frequency Range	VSWR max.	Insertion Loss max.	Phase Shift min.	No. of Turns	Nom. Phase Shift Deg./GHz/Turnh	Time Delay (psec.) min. max.		Weight max.
LS-0170-1121	DC-26.0 GHz	1.05+.008*f(GHz)	0.26 dB	127° at 26.0 GHz	13.5	0.36	109.2	122.8	9 g



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Phase Adjustable Adapter DC to 26.0 GHz

- Precision phase adjustable adapters, DC to 26.0 GHz.
- Impedance of 50 Ohms is maintained over the full adjustment range.
- Positive resettable locking mechanism.
- Smooth continuous phase adjustment.

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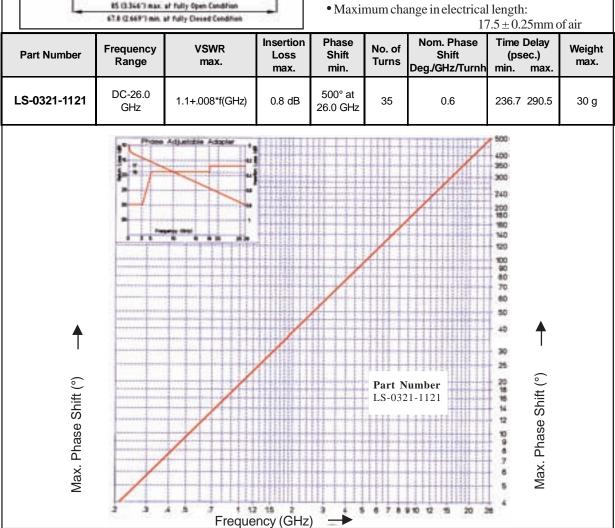
- Physical length change of the unit equals the electrical length change.
- Rugged construction, housing and outer conductors are made from stainless steel.

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- Captivated center contacts.
- Spring fingers and center contacts are made from beryllium copper, heat treated and gold plated per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C.

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- SMA connector interface specification per MIL-STD-348A.
- Operating temperature range: -54°C to +115°C, units with extended temperature range are available on request.
- Physical length change per revolution of adjustment nut: ~ 0.5mm
- Electrical length change per revolution of adjustment nut: ~ 0.5mm
- Maximum change in physical length: 17.5 ± 0.25 mm



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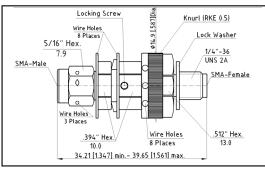
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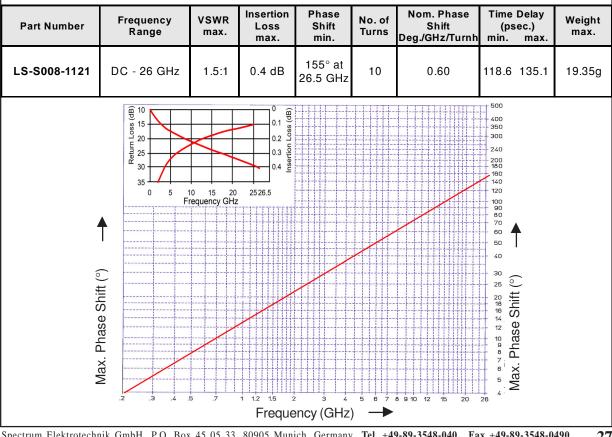
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• Developed for airborne applications, using locking screws for safe adjustment.

- Precision phase adjustable adapters, DC to 26.5 GHz.
- Impedance of 50 Ohms is maintained over the full adjustment range.
- Positive resettable locking mechanism.
- Smooth continuous phase adjustment.
- Physical length change of the unit equals the electrical length change.
- Rugged construction, housing and outer conductors are made from stainless steel.



- Captivated center contacts.
- Spring fingers and center contacts are made from beryllium copper, heat treated and gold plated per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C.
 SMA connector interface specification per MIL-STD-348A.
- Operating temperature range: -54°C to +115°C, units with extended temperature range are available on request.
- Different connector configuration can be supplied on request
- Physical length change per revolution of adjustment nut: ~ 0.5mm
- Electrical length change per revolution of adjustment nut: ~ 0.5mm
- Maximum change in physical length: 5±0.25mm
- Maximum change in electrical length: 5 ± 0.25 mm of air



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DC to 26 GHz Phase Adjustable Adapter

Phase Adjustable Adapters DC to 18.0 GHz

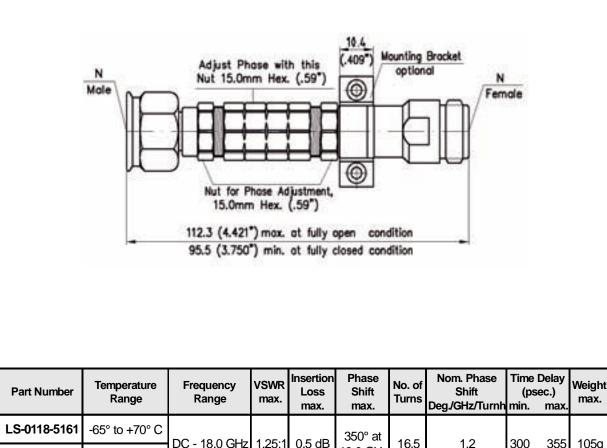
- Precision phase adjustable adapters, DC to 18.0 GHz.
- Impedance of 50 Ohms is maintained over the full adjustment range.
- High power solution available.
- Positive resettable locking mechanism.
- Smooth continuous phase adjustment.
- Physical length change of the unit equals the electrical length change.
- Rugged construction, housing and outer conductors are made from stainless steel.
- Captivated center contacts

• Spring fingers and center contacts are made from beryllium copper, heat treated and gold plated per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C.

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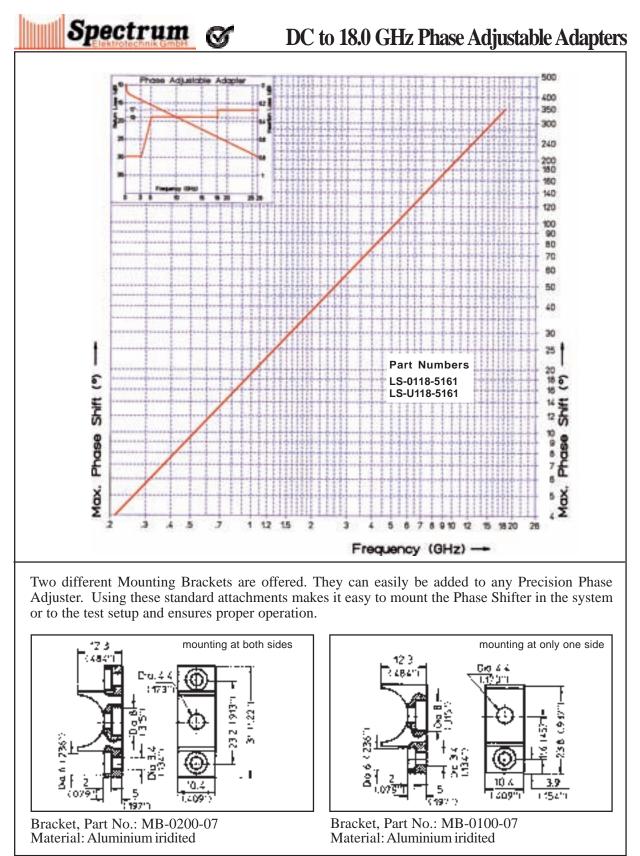
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- N connector interface specification per MIL-STD-348A.
- Operating temperature range: -65°C to +70°C, units with extended temperature range are available on request.
- Mounting Brackets are optional and are shown on the drawings on the next page.
- Diagram Phase Shift(°) versus Frequency (GHz), please refer to page 20.



105g 18.0 GHz LS-U118-5161 -65° to +165°C Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH P.O. Box 45 05 33, 80905 Munich, Germany Tel. +49-89-3548-040, Fax +49-89-3548-0490 28 www.spectrum-et.com

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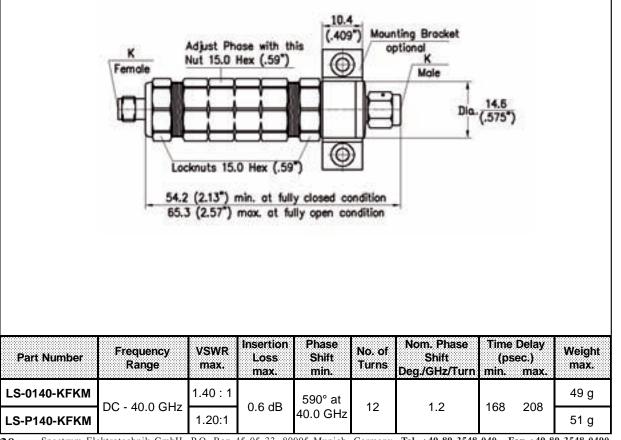


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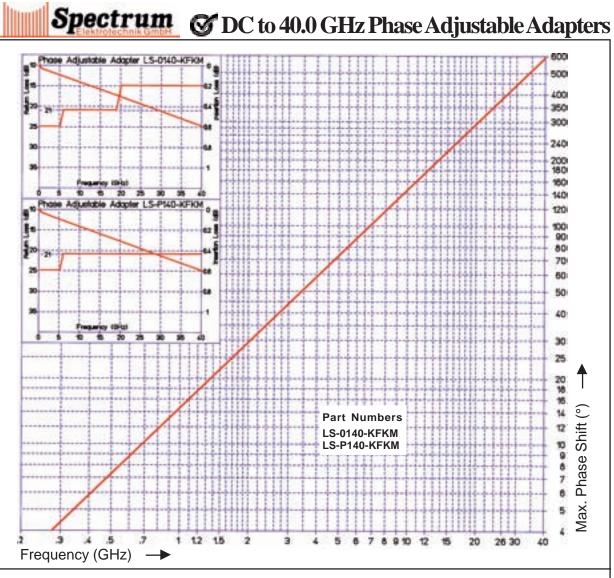
Phase Adjustable Adapters DC to 40.0 GHz Spectrum

- Precision phase adjustable adapters, DC to 40.0 GHz.
- Impedance of 50 Ohms is maintained over the full adjustment range.
- Positive resettable locking mechanism.
- Smooth continuous phase adjustment.
- Physical length change of the unit equals the electrical length change.
- •Rugged construction, housing and outer conductors are made from stainless steel.
- Besides the Standard Units, High Precision Components are offered, showing superior electrical performance to 40.0 GHz, being easily identified by their gold plated body.

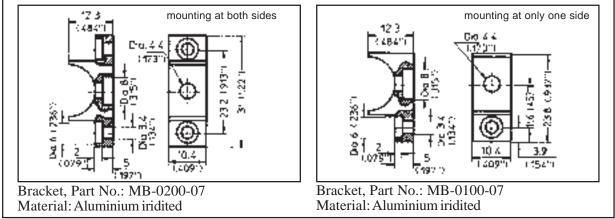
- Bead captivated center contacts.
- Spring fingers and center contacts are made from beryllium copper, heat treated and gold plated per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C.
- •K* connector interface specification per Spectrum's Specification, as published in Spectrum's Adapters and Connectors Handbooks and also available on request.
- •Operating temperature range: -54°C to +85°C.
- Mounting Brackets are optional and are shown on the drawings below and to the right.



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Two different Mounting Brackets are offered. They can easily be added to any Precision Phase Adjuster. Using these standard attachments makes it easy to mount the Phase Shifter in the system or to the test setup and ensures proper operation.



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PhaseAdjustableAdapters DC to 50.0 GHz

- Precision phase adjustable adapters, DC to 50.0 GHz.
- Impedance of 50 Ohms is maintained over the full adjustment range.
- Positive resettable locking mechanism.
- Smooth continuous phase adjustment.
- Physical length change of the unit equals the electrical length change.
- Rugged construction, housing and outer conductors are made from stainless steel.
- Besides the Standard Units, High Precision Components are offered, showing superior electrical performance to 50.0 GHz, being easily identified by their gold plated body.

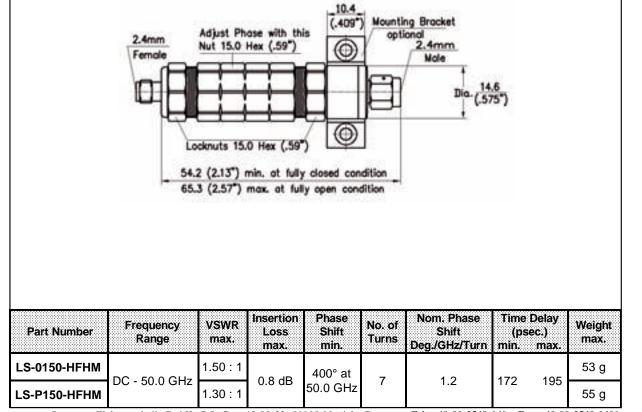
• Bead captivated center contacts.

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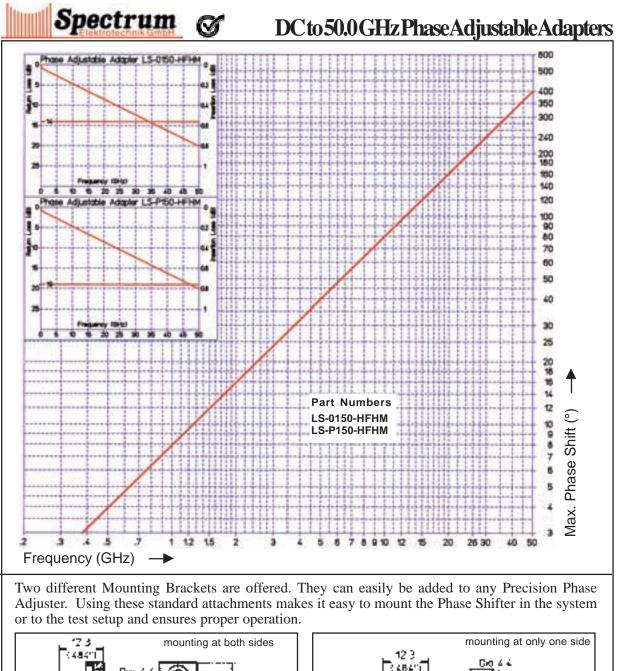
• Spring fingers and center contacts are made from beryllium copper, heat treated and gold plated per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C.

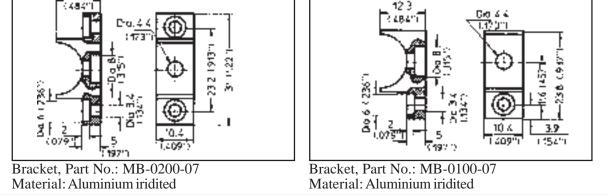
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- 2.4mm connector interface specification per Spectrum's Specification, as published in Spectrum's Adapters and Connectors Handbooks, and are also available upon request.
- •Operating temperature range: -54°C to +85°C.
- Mounting Brackets are optional and are shown on the drawings below and to the right.



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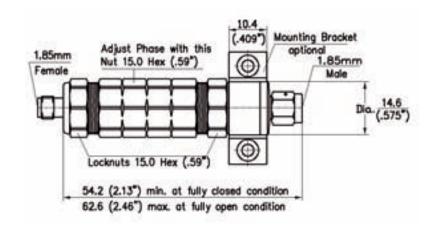


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Phase Adjustable Adapters DC to 63.0 GHz Spectrum

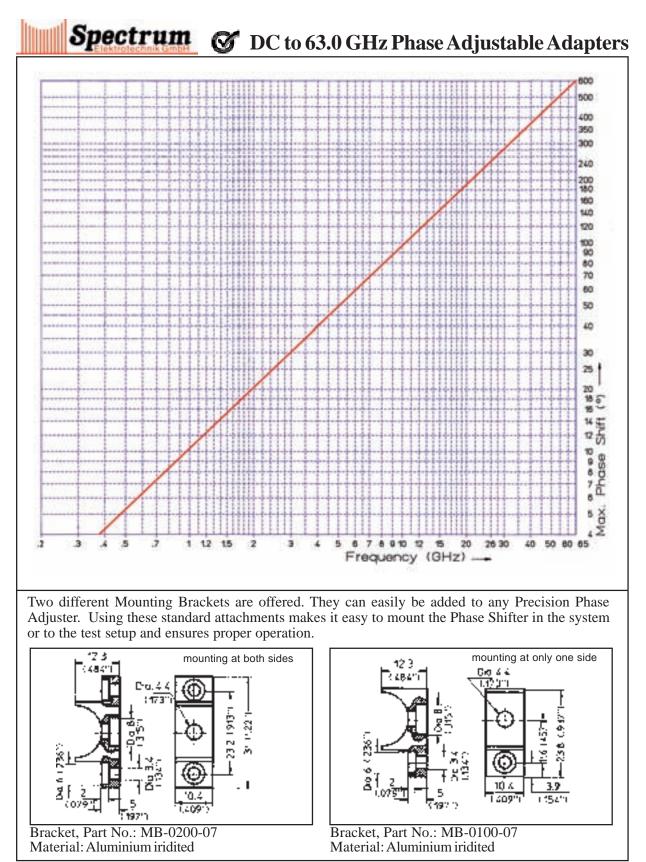
- Precision phase adjustable adapters, DC to 63.0 GHz.
- Impedance of 50 Ohms is maintained over the full adjustment range.
- Positive resettable locking mechanism.
- Smooth continuous phase adjustment.
- Physical length change of the unit equals the electrical length change.
- Rugged construction, housing and outer conductors are made from stainless steel.
- Besides the Standard Units, High Precision Components are offered, showing superior electrical performance to 63.0 GHz, being easily identified by their gold plated body.

- Bead captivated center contacts.
- Spring fingers and center contacts are made from beryllium copper, heat treated and gold plated per MIL-G-45204, Type II, Grade C.
- The product is needed for adjusting the electrical lenghts of lines in applications where data rates 40 GBit/sec and above are being transferred in optical systems.
- Operating temperature range: -54° C to $+85^{\circ}$ C.
- Mounting Brackets are optional and are shown on the drawings below and to the right.
- The product is also available as Precision Programmable Phase Shifter.



Part Number	Frequency Range	VSWR max.	Insertion Loss max.	Phase Shift min.	No. of Turns	Nom. Phase Shift Deg./GHz/Turnh	(ps	Delay sec.) max.	Weight max.
LS-0165-VFVM	DC - 63.0 GHz	1.50:1	0.8 dB	600° at 63.0 GHz	8	1.2	167	195	53 g
LS-P165-VFVM		1.40:1							55 g

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Phase Adjusters Power



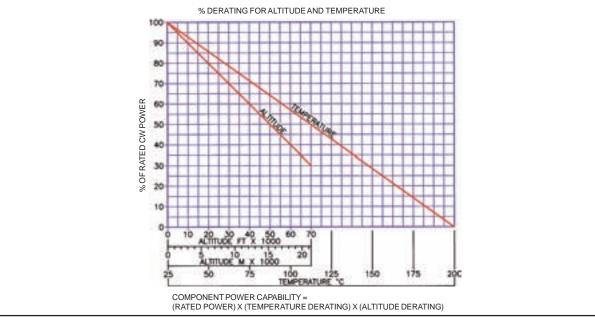
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	120	LS - 0118 - xxxx, LS - 218 - xxxx, LS - A118- xxxx, LS - A218 - xxxx	18.0 GHz	0 GHz								
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Power Limiting Factors, Phase Adjusters

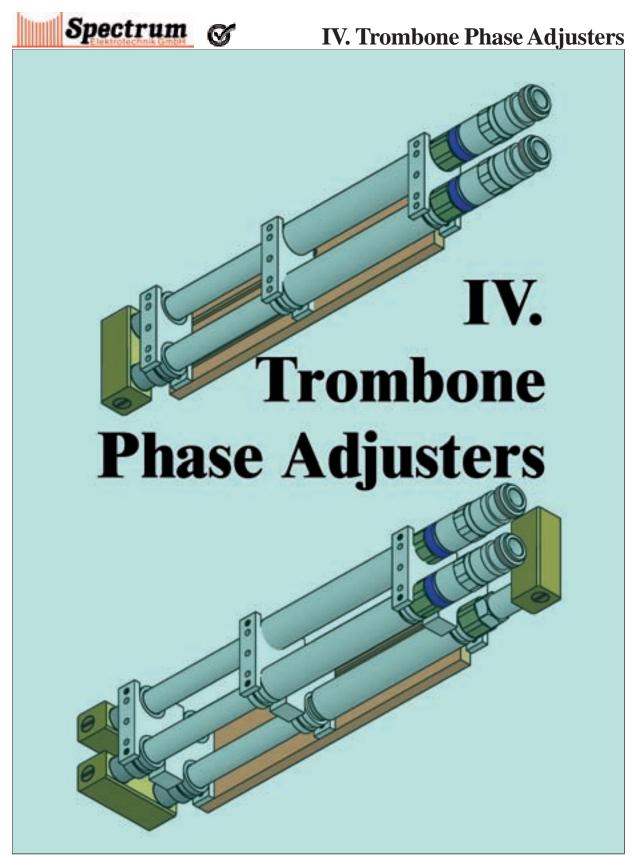
The Power Specifications, as listed on the Data Sheets, are based on Sea Level and an Ambient Temperature of 25°C. Other altitudes and/or higher temperatures will limit the power. The power derating diagram below can be used to calculate the maximum power at certain altitudes and temperatures.

For information on Power Limits of the components, power limiting information on the connectors is also needed. To obtain this information, the factory may be consulted.

Additional Power Limits can be borne in the application, or the size and the heat dissipation of the unit. In addition, mechanical stress can be limiting the power.



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Trombone Line Phase Adjusters are needed at lower frequency applications where the phase adjustment of the components shown in the chapters before is not sufficient. Also Trombone Line Phase Adjusters are designed for constant impedance over the whole adjustment range. They are employed to adjust the electrical separation of other components without introducing additional mismatch. All step discontinuities have been carefully compensated. Locking screws are provided to comfort the sliding tension and to lock at the desired adjustment. The best materials have been used, beryllium copper contacts assuring long life and noise-free operation, aluminum, brass and stainless steel parts for low weight, best performance and ruggedness, where needed. Stops at both ends of travel are preventing damage of the unit and do not allow accidental disassembly.

LS-0103-6161

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This unit consists of a single in-line phase adjuster. The component is normally supplied with N-Type female connectors. Other connector configurations are available on request.

LS-0203-6161

This component consists of two phase adjusters mounted in parallel and joined at one end, permitting adjustment of 360° @ 1 GHz. The component is normally supplied with N-Type female connectors. Other, or mixed connector configurations are available on request.

Above Phase Adjusters have been designed and are currently in manufacturing and it is expected that they are released from testing in summer / fall 2008.

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Specifications Trombone Line Phase Adjusters

	Electrical						
Part Number	LS-0203-6161	LS-0103-6161					
Impedance	50.0						
Frequency Range	DC- 3.0 GHz						
Adjustment	360° at 1.0 GHz 1080° at 3.0 GHz	180° at 1.0 GHz 540° at 3.0 GHz					
Return Loss	25 dB at 3 GHZ						
Dielectric Withstanding Voltage	2,500 volts rms at sea level						
Insulation Resistance	5,000 MO minimum						
RF Leakage	-(90-f(GHz))dB						
	Mechanical						
Interface	MIL-STD-348A						
Connector Durability	500 cycles, 12 cycles/minute						
	Material						
Fixture and Outer Conductor: Aluminium	Duter Conductor: AIMg4.5Mn and AIMgSiPb per DIN EN 573-3 (QQ-A-225/8)						
Fixture and Outer Conductor: Stainless Steel	Corrosion resistant 1.4305 per DIN EN 10088-3(ASTM-A-582-80)						
Outer Conductor: Brass	CuZn39Pb3 per DIN EN 12163/	12164 (ASTM B 455)					
Center Contacts: Copper Beryllium	33-25 CuBe2Pb H per DIN 1766	6 (ASTM-B-196)					
Insulators		on per ASTM D 1710 specification.					
	Finish						
Copper Beryllium	Centre Contacts shall be gold pla .00005 inch (1.25 μm) in accorda Code C, Class 1.25.						
Stainless Steel Passivated per ASTM A 967							
Brass	.00003 inch (0.75 μm) min.gold plating per ASTM B 488, Type 2, Code C, Class 0.75, over nickle plating.						
Aluminium	Conductive Parts shall have an iri	dited finish per MIL-C-5541					
	Environmental						
Temperature Range	Operating: -65°C to +115°C						

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Spectrum & V. Phase Adjustable Connectors

V. Phase Adjustable Connectors



In many cases the phase adjustable units look like regular connectors.

PhaseAdjConn

Phase & Amplitude Matched Cable Assemblies

Since 1981 Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH has been manufacturing high quality phase and amplitude matched cable assemblies. Experienced staff is available to assist the customer to select the proper component for the specific application and to provide information on the product performance.

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Matching cable assemblies for phase must not necessarily mean to trim the cables to the exact lengths. Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH manufactures a variety of Phase Adjusters that can be attached directly to the cable. Using these devices, cable assemblies can easily be matched to perfection, at any frequency. Examples of phase adjustable connectors are shown below.

Phase Shifters practically eliminate the need to trim cables to predetermined lengths, in order to achieve the exact phase requirements of a microwave network. Cables only need to be trimmed to the approximate electrical length. The Phase Shifter then allows to make the necessary adjustment between the other components in the system. As a result of the small size and light weight, these Phase Shifters can be used in applications with space limitations, such as airborne and satellite equipment.

Phase Adjustable SMA Connectors for Semi-Rigid Cables

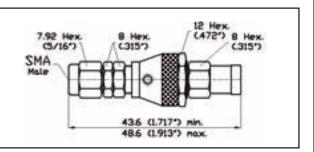
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Frequency	Frequency Range DC - 26.0 GHz					· m	man					
Adjustment	t			HE	THE							
Impedance 50 Ohms												
Max. VSWR 1.05 + .008f(GHz)												
Insertion Loss (.05 SQT(f(GHz)))dB							7.5 [1.087"] min. Ily closed condition					
R.F. Leaka	ge	-90 dBC				32	12 [1.268"] mes.					
Temperatur	re Range	-65°C to +115°C)			el t	ully open condition					
Adji	ustable coax Model LS-	ial Phase Shifter 0085-S001		7,	PHASE	ADJUSTME	(.354")	(.102")				
Frequency	Frequency RangeDC - 18.0 GHzAdjustmentMax. 50° at 18.0 GHzImpedance50 Ohms											
Impedance												
Max. VSW	R	1.12:1 at 18.0 (GHz			-œ		T	0	1		
Insertion L	OSS	0.25 dB at 18.0	GHz	9.65(.38	<u>, ,</u>	1			2	100		
R.F. Leaka	age	-90 dBC				25") mex		m12.7				
Temperatu	ire Range	-65°C to +115°	0	29.3 (1.15") min. LOOONUTS (.5")								
Part Number	Cable Type	Frequency Range	VSWR max.	Insertion Loss max.	Phase Shift min.	No. of Turns	Nom. Phase Shift Deg./GHz/Turn	(ps	Delay ec.) max.	Weigh max.		
LS-0141-02	0.141" Semi-Rigid	DC - 26.0 GHz	1 25 • 1	0.26 dB	127° at	9	0.55	72.2	87.6	9 g		
LS-0085-02	0.085" Semi-Rigid		1.23.1	0.20 UB	26.0 GHz	9	0.00	12.2	07.0	9 g		
LS-0085-S001	0.085" Semi-Rigid	DC - 18.0 GHz	1.12 : 1	0.25 dB	50° at 18.0 GHz	5	0.55	85.3	93.7	9 g		

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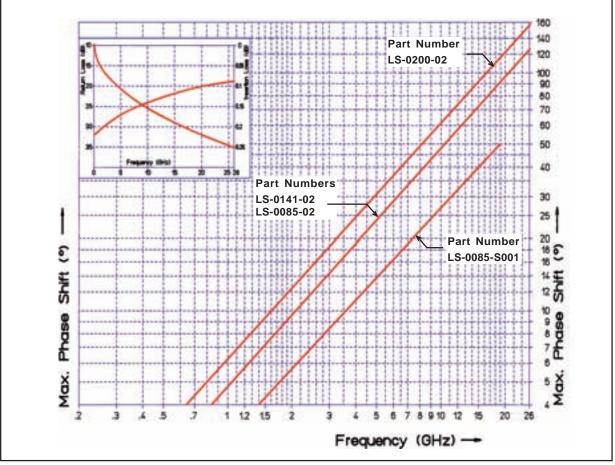
Spectrum Ø DC to 26.0 GHz PhaseAdjustable Connectors

Phase Adjustable SMA Connectors for Flexible Cables

	Adjustable coaxial Phase Shifters Models LS-0200-02							
Frequency Range	DC - 26.0 GHz							
Adjustment	155°							
Impedance	50 Ohms							
Max. VSWR	1.05+.008f(GHz)							
Insertion Loss	(.05 SQT(f(GHz))) dB							
R.F. Leakage	-90dBC							
Temperature Range	-65°C to +115°C							



Part Number	Cable Type	Frequency Range	VSWR max.	Insertion Loss max.	Phase Shift min.	No. of Turns	Nom Phase Shift Deg./GHz/Turnh	Time (ps min.	Delay ec.) max.	Weight max.
LS-0200-02	100	DC-26.0 GHz	1.25:1	0.26 dB	155° at 26.5 GHz	10	0.60	80.1	96.8	t.b.d.



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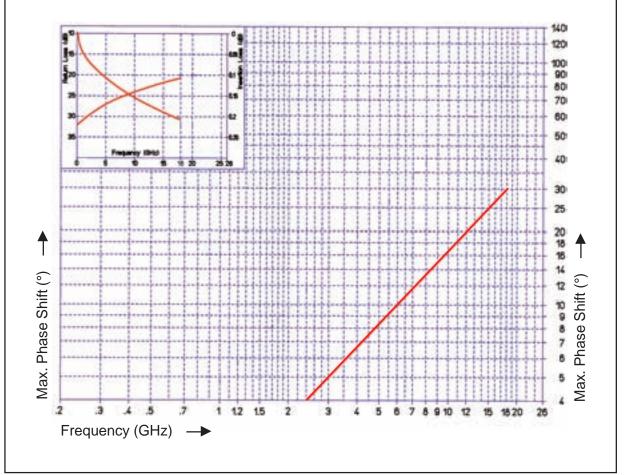
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SMP Female Interface per ML-STD-348 6.3

Phase Adjustable SMP Connectors for Semi-Rigid Cables

Adjustable coaxial Phase Shifters Models 1102-65LS-04									
Frequency Range	DC - 18.0 GHz								
Adjustment	30° at 18.0 GHz								
Impedance	50 Ohms								
Max. VSWR	1.1:1 max. to 18.0 GHz								
Insertion Loss	(.05 SQT(f(GHz)))dB								
R.F. Leakage	Not applicable								
Temperature Range	-65°C to +115°C								

Part Number	Cable Type	Frequency Range	VSWR max.	Insertion Loss max.	Shift	No. of Turns	Nom. Phase Shift Deg./GHz/Turnh			Weight max.
1102-65LS-04	0.047" Semi- Rigid	DC - 18.0 GHz	1.1 : 1	0.21 dB	30° at 18.0 GHz	5.5	0.3°	57.4	62.0	2.6 g



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Spectrum & VI. Phase Matched Cable Assemblies

VI. Matched Cable Assemblies



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Discussing Phase Matching

Cable Assemblies can be matched in **Phase**, **Delay**, and **Amplitude**. The most common matching required is **Phase matching**. The match can be specified in electrical degrees at a specified frequency or in time delay. Of interest are 3 groups of candidates for phase matched cable assemblies:

- Semi Rigid Cables, using copper or stainless steel for the outer conductor
- Semi Flexible Cables, easier formable by hand, using aluminum tubing as outer conductor
- Flexible Cables, having one or more layers of braid as outer conductor

Phase Matched Cable Assemblies in a Set

Normally two specifications are used for phase matched sets of cables assemblies:

- A) Matching to a Standard: The phase standard is usually a piece of hardware, a "Gold Standard", it also could be an unchanging software standard; i.e. a specified electrical length at a certain frequency.
- **B)** Matching as a Set: Cable assemblies matched as a set means that the assemblies of the same set are matched to each other. The cables in one set may not match those of another set.



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Governing Parameters on Phase Matching

- 1) **Frequency of Operation:** The higher the operating frequency and the closer the required phase match, the more difficult the matching process and the cost will be.
- 2) Length of Cable Assemblies: Short Cable Assemblies are usually easier to match and to test than longer assemblies. With longer assemblies there is already the problem that they need to be coiled for testing and this results in phase changes already, a wider match window is required.
- **3)** Connectors of the Assemblies in one set: There is no problem to use different connector styles in a set of matched cable assemblies; it may add additional cost though, as the matching process may get more complicated because of different connector lengths and dielectrics.
- **4) Installation Process:** Especially for matched sets with long cable assemblies phase changes can be expected during installation. Phase adjustable connectors or adapters can be used for phase correction after installation.
- 5) Variation of Velocity of Propagation: Manufacturing without tolerance is not possible, unfortunately. For a cable the velocity of propagation is usually specified at +/- 2%, or maybe at +/- 1%, resulting in different electrical lengths of cable assemblies with identical physical lengths. This will be noticeable especially with long cable assemblies or when using cable manufactured from different lots.
- 6) **Temperature** Change in temperature will result in change of electrical length of the cable assembly, caused by the dielectric of the cable. Cables using solid extruded PTFE dielectric are generally strong mechanically but higher for insertion loss and show worst phase changes over temperature when compared to cables using air content in their dielectric. These latter cables are weaker mechanically but lower in insertion loss and have better phase versus temperature characteristics.
- 7) **Testing Phase Match:** Usually Vector Network Analyzers will be used in a temperaturecontrolled room. But it has to be taken into consideration that test results taken even with the best equipment are subjected to tolerances.
- 8 Phase Tracking Phase tracking is usually caused by three parameters: Preconditioning: The cables of a phase-matched set need to be thermally stress relieved before phase matching. At Spectrum Elektrotechnik GmbH the cable is preconditioned by exposing it several times to temperatures of -54°C to +125°C, in some cases even between -71°C to +200°C. This will assure good phase tracking.**Temperature:** The phase change with temperature may not be that critical if the complete set is exposed to the changing temperature, as the phase will shift equally in all of the assemblies of the set, assuming that assemblies are not formed in a bundle where the inner assemblies will see the temperature change much later than the outer assemblies. It will be most critical when assemblies of the same set, matched at ambient, are subjected to different temperatures in the system.

Bending: As outlined earlier for sets with long cable assemblies phase changes can be expected already after static installation. For dynamic installation phase tracking will depend on the bend radii, the number of cycles, and the similarity of the flexure cycles of the assemblies in the set.

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Match in Delay

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