PRAXSYM PRACTICAL SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

PORTABLE ATTENUATION MEASUREMENT SYSTEM COMMERCIAL (PAMS-C)

Features

- MEASURES SHIELDING EFFECTIVENESS, PATH LOSS & SIGNAL STRENGTH
- 864-936MHz
- PATH LOSS ACCURACY: +/- 1 dB TYP.
- RECEIVER RANGE: 0 TO -120 dBm
- TRANSMITTER POWER: -30 TO +30 dBm
- SYNTHESIZED: 1 MHz and 100 kHz STEP SIZE
- MICROPROCESSOR CONTROLLED

Description

PAMS-C is a user-friendly, microprocessor-based transmitter and receiver system that measures shielding effectiveness of RF shielded enclosures. Lightweight and compact, each unit measures approximately 12" x 5" x 5" and weighs 5.5 lbs., making PAMS-C ideally suited to field measurement tasks. Rugged construction ensures instrument survivability in a field test environment.

PAMS-C incorporates a self-calibrating microprocessor-based architecture that provides for ease of use. It requires only minimal operator instruction for error-free operation. Its backlit LCD output displays shielding effectiveness, battery status, and other operating parameters.

PAMS-C allows the user to set a minimum shield level threshold. While sniffing around the enclosure, a tone will be heard in the headphones should the shield level drop below the threshold. The pitch of the tone varies based on the measured shield level's distance from the set threshold value.

A USB interface is included on both the transmitter and receiver. This allows for serial control of selected functions and parameters. The PAMS-C receiver also includes a Spectrum Monitor mode, which displays ambient RF signals present within the test environment.



The PAMS-C receiver and transmitter are synthesized, with a minimum tuning step size of 100 kHz. Both units are battery powered, and can be operated in an AC mode when connected to the external battery charger. Normal battery operation time is 5 hours for the receiver, and 2 hours for the transmitter. A complete charge cycle is completed in approximately 2 hours.

The receiver provides accurate level detection for signals in the range of -120 dBm to 0 dBm. Typical accuracy is +/-1.0 dB. An internal limiter provides protection to the receiver in the unlikely event that the receiver and transmitter are connected together. The receiver has a DC bias voltage on the connector, which may be used to power an external device such as a switch. Proper care should be exercised when connecting any device which may be susceptible to damage due to the DC voltage present.

The transmitter provides a maximum output power of +30 dBm (1 watt). Output power can be adjusted in 1, 2, or 5 dB steps down to -30 dBm. Internal ALC circuitry maintains output level accuracy. The output of the transmitter is fully protected against damage.

The transmitter, receiver, batteries, 2 portable antennas, power packs, manual and a rugged transit case are included in the PAMS-C system.

interference resistant, ruggedized

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Specifications

Note: All specifications guaranteed at 25°C unless otherwise indicated.

PAMS-C Receiver

Frequency Band: 864-936 MHz
Tuning Step Size: 1 MHz and 100 kHz

Operating Modes: Signal Strength, Shield Level, Spectrum Monitor

IF Bandwidth: 20 kHz nominal

1st IF:90 MHz2nd IF:455 kHzRF Input Connector:BNC femaleRF Input Impedance:50 ohms nominalInput Procedection:90 MHz 1 dR box

Input Preselection: 80 MHz 1 dB bandwidth
Signal Level Relative Accuracy: +/- 1.0 dB (-120 dBm to 0 dBm)

Absolute Level Accuracy: +/- 2.0 dB (-120 dBm to 0 dBm)

Maximum Safe Input Level: +30 dBm (1 watt) minimum

Battery Operation: 5 hours minimum at full charge

Batteries: Nickel Cadmium
AC/Charger Operation: 95-265VAC, 48-65 Hz
Charge Time: 120 minutes typical

Controls: ON/OFF/VOLUME, FREQUENCY TUNE (frequency tune)

F.DIGIT (adjusts step size),THOLD (sets threshold level for go/no-go testing), LIGHT (backlights LCD display), CAL (used to provide shielding reference level normalization), MODE (scrolls through the modes)

LED Indicators: BATTERY OVERTEMP, BATTERY CHARGE, BATTERY

FAULT

LCD Displayed Functions: Frequency, Battery Level, Mode (Signal Strength, Shield

Level, Spectrum Monitor), Threshold Level Set, CAL Status, LOCK Status, Freq Adjust Status (1 MHz or 100

kHz)

Weight: 5.5 lbs nominal

Case Size: 11.7"H x 5.1"D x 4.9"W

Standard Accessories: 32 ohm headphones, battery charger/power pack, manual,

1/4 wave on top of 1/2 wave vertical monopole antenna

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Specifications

PAMS-C Transmitter

Frequency Band: 864-936 MHz
Tuning Step Size: 1 MHz and 100 kHz
Maximum Output Power: +30 dBm minimum

Output Power Control: 1, 2 or 5 dB steps from –30 to +30 dBm

Output Level Accuracy: +/1.0 dB maximum
Harmonics: -60 dBc maximum
Output Impedance: 50 ohms nominal

Load VSWR: Safe operation into infinite VSWR (isolator protected)

RF Output Connector: BNC female

Battery Operation: 2 hours minimum at full charge

Batteries: Nickel Cadmium
AC/Charger Operation: 95-265VAC, 48-65 Hz
Charge Time: 120 minutes typical

Controls: ON/OFF, FREQUENCY (controls both frequency tuning and power

output level), F.DIGIT (selects adjustment increment for both frequency tuning and output level), LIGHT (backlights LCD display), LOCK (locks out all controls), ATTEN (toggles between 0 and 60

dB)

LED Indicators: BATTERY OVERTEMP, BATTERY CHARGE, BATTERY FAULT

LCD Displayed Functions: Frequency, Battery Level, Output Level, LOCK Status, Freq Adjust

Status (1 MHz or 100 kHz), Power Adjust (1, 2 or 5 dB)

Weight: 5.5 pounds nominal Case Size: 11.7"H x 5.1"D x 4.9" W

Standard Accessories: Battery charger/AC power pack, manual, 1/4 wave vertical antenna

COMPLETE SYSTEM

Includes: PAMS-C Receiver

PAMS-C Transmitter

15V 3.4A Desktop Power Supply (2 each)

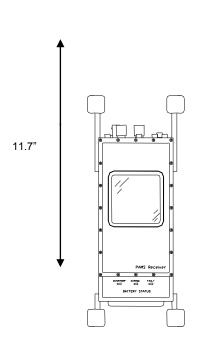
Antennas (2 each)
32 ohm headphones
2M USB cable
6 ft. coaxial cable
USB Drivers
Operator's Manual

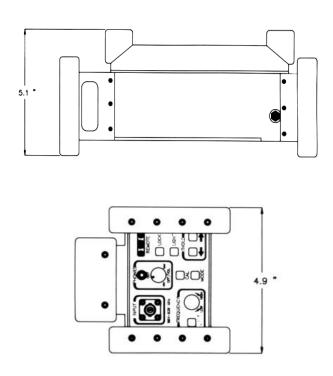
Airtight & Watertight Heavy Duty Transit Case

Weight: 28 lbs. Nominal (all items installed in Transit Case) Size: 21.5" L x 14.6" H x 8.1" D (nominal Transit Case)

Outline Drawings

SIDE VIEW





TOP VIEW

PAMS-C ORDERING INFORMATION

- PAMS-C Complete System, part number 310-010042-003
- PAMS-C Receiver Only, part number 310-010046-003
- PAMS-C Transmitter Only, part number 310-010045-003