

PRODUCT DATASHEET
Butler Matrices



Ideal for MIMO Test Setups

Description:

Weinschel brand Butler Matrices are beamforming networks used in wireless test applications (Cellular, WiFi, Bluetooth). They transfer the signal reciprocally from any of n-input ports to any of n-output ports, with high phase accuracy, amplitude balance, low insertion loss, and high port-to-port isolation. They are designed to deliver maximum power with progressive phase shift to the output in the transmitting mode and collect signals from all beam directions with the full gain of antenna array in the receiving mode.

The Butler Matrix family includes multiple models which can be used in a variety of configurations, across cellular, WiFi, and any band within it's frequency limits.

8401 Series 4x4, 8x8 & 16x16 Configurations

Features:

- Compact, modular microstrip design and construction
- Reciprocal signal path
- Excellent channel condition number
- Technology agnostic
- Wide frequency range (3.5 octaves)

Applications:

- RF MIMO Test for 5G, WiFi, Bluetooth
- Create ideal channel for best MIMO performance
- Addition of programmable attenuators allows easy degradation of the channel number for Throughput vs Channel Testing.
- WiFi, WiMAX, 4G/5G LTE Testing, Link Simulation
- MIMO Testing
- Multipath Simulation and Performance Evaluation
- Antenna Array Beam-forming
- Interferometer System Simulation and Testing



16X16 Model

Part Number	Fmin (GHz)	Fmin (GHz)	Insertion Loss (dB)	VSWR	Output Phase Accuracy	RF Input Power (dBm)	Isolation (dB)	Dimension (inch)
8401 16 5	0.7	2.0	14 typ. / 18 max	2.0:1 max	$\pm 20^{\circ}$ max	37	20 typ. / 10 min	10 × 20 × 1 75
0401-10-0	2.0	6.0	18 typ. / 24 max	2.2:1 max	at 3.25 GHz	57	17 typ. / 10 min*	19 ^ 20 ^ 1.75

Isolation: * 3.4 – 4.0 GHz: 17 typ. / 8 dB min // 5.6 – 6.0 GHz: 17 typ. / 8 dB min

8X8 Model

Part Number	Fmin (GHz)	Fmin (GHz)	Insertion Loss (dB)	VSWR	Output Phase Accuracy	RF Input Power (dBm)	lsolation (dB)
9401 9 6	0.5	2.5	10 typ / 14 max	1.6:1 max	+20° may at 2.4 CHz	27	20 two / 12 min
0401-0-0	2.5	6.0	12 typ / 17 max	2.2:1 max	120 Max at 5.4 GHZ	57	20 typ / 12 min
8401-8E	2.4	7.25	13.5 typ / 16 max	1.8:1 typ 2.2:1 max	±20° max at 6.5 GHz	37	20 typ / 12 min

4X4 Model

Part Number	Fmin (GHz)	Fmin (GHz)	Insertion Loss (dB)	Max. VSWR	Output Phase Accuracy	RF Input Power (dBm)	Isolation (dB)
8401-6	0.5	2.0	7 typ / 10 max	1.7:1	±15° max at 3.25	37	25 typ / 16 min
0-101-0	2.0	6.0	7 typ / 12 max	2.0:1	GHz	01	20 typ / 11 min
8401E	2.4	7.25	8.5 typ / 11 max	2.0:1	±15° max at 6.5 GHz	37	20 typ / 11 min

Impedance	50 Ohms
Connectors	SMA (F) all ports
Temperature Range, Operating	-20° to +70°C



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Model 8401-8-6 Outline Drawing:



Note: Dimensions are given in mm [inches]



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Model 8401E & 8401-6

Functional Block Diagram



Input	B1	B3	B2	B4
A1	-45°	-135°	-90°	-180°
A2	-135°	-225°	0°	-90°
A3	-90°	0°	-225°	-135°
A4	-180°	-90°	-135°	-45°

- 1. Relative Phase Values indicated are measured at the frequency listed in the "Output Phase Accuracy" column in the table, relative to a 0° path.
- 2. Phase values will vary with frequency and are dependent on the RF path.

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Model 8401E Outline Drawing:



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