

Keysight 87405C Pre-amplifier



Operating and
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| | |
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| | IEC 61326:1997 |
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| This ISM device complies with Canadian ICES-001 | |
| Line voltage interrupt (1 cycle, 100%) | IEC/EN 61000-4-11 |
| Surge test (1.2 x 50 μ s, 0.5 kV line-line, 1 kV line-ground) | IEC/EN 61000-4-5 |
| Electrical fast transients (0.5 kV signal lines, 1 kV power lines) | IEC/EN 61000-4-4 |
| Radiated emissions | CISPR 11, Class A EN55011 |
| Radiated immunity (3 V/m, 80 - 1000 MHz) | IEC/EN 61000-4-3 |
| Conducted emissions | CISPR 11, Class A EN55011 |
| Conducted immunity (3 V, 0.15 - 80 MHz) | IEC/EN 61000-4-6 |
| ESD (4 kV contact discharge, 8 kV air discharge) | IEC/EN 61000-4-2 |

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|  <p>The CE mark is a registered trademark of the European Community. This CE mark shows that the product complies with all the relevant European Legal Directives.</p> |  <p>This symbol indicates the time period during which no hazardous or toxic substance elements are expected to leak or deteriorate during normal use. Forty years is the expected useful life of the product.</p> |
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The affixed product label is as shown below.



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- www.keysight.com/find/assist
(worldwide contact information for repair and service)

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1 Introduction

Product Overview 12

This chapter provides an overview of the Keysight 87405C Pre-amplifier.

Product Overview

The Keysight 87405C pre-amplifier offers reliable gain and low noise figure to measurement systems, thus improve overall system performance and reduce systematic errors. With the ability to be powered directly from the instrument probe-port, it eliminates the need for a separate power supply.

The 87405C is ideal for use as the front end pre-amplifier for a variety of Keysight instruments such as PSA, ESA as well as the MXA series of spectrum analyzer. The rugged Type-N connectors make the 87405C well suited for various field applications.



Figure 1-1 87405C pre-amplifier

Table 1-1 shows the general information of the 87405C pre-amplifier.

Table 1-1 General information of the 87405C pre-amplifier

| Model | Frequency range | Small signal gain | Connector type |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 87405C | 100 MHz to 18 GHz | 25 dB | Type N (m), (f) |

Key features of the 87405C pre-amplifier

- DC bias via probe-power port on Keysight instruments eliminates the need for additional power supply
- Low noise figure of 4.5 dB and high gain of 25 dB reduce total system noise figure for better equipment dynamic range and sensitivity
- Compact design and portability allows usage in the field (installation and maintenance applications)
- High P1dB of 15 dBm increases available power from network analyzer and signal source

Application

Low level signal measurement

In low level signal measurement, the sensitivity of the measurement system can be improved by adding a pre-amplifier into the system as illustrated in [Figure 1-2](#).

Total noise figure of the system can also be reduced using a pre-amplifier as the noise figure of the system is dominated by the noise figure of the pre-amplifier.

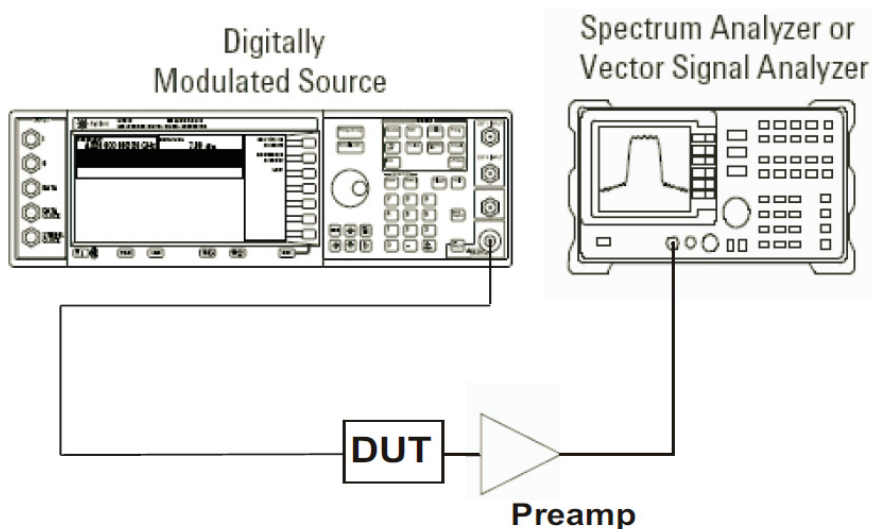


Figure 1-2 Low level signal measurement test setup

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This chapter provides the specifications of the 87405C pre-amplifier.

General Specifications

Specifications

Specifications refer to the performance standards or limits against which the 87405C is tested.

Typical characteristics are included for additional information only and they are not specifications. These are denoted as "typical", "nominal", or "approximate", and are printed in italic.

Table 2-1 87405C specifications

| Specification | 87405C | |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Frequency range | 100 MHz to 4 GHz | 4 GHz to 18 GHz |
| Gain, S_{21} | 25 dB | |
| Flatness | ± 1.5 dB | |
| P1dB | 15 dBm | 14 dBm |
| Noise figure: | | |
| – 100 MHz to 500 MHz | 7 dB | |
| – 500 MHz to 4 GHz | 6 dB | |
| – 4 GHz to 18 GHz | 4.5 dB | |
| Survival input power | +15 dBm | |
| Return loss S_{11} | 15 dB | 10 dB |
| Return loss S_{22} | 15 dB | 10 dB |
| <i>Harmonics (at +4 dBm output power)</i> | <i>30 dBc typical</i> | |
| <i>Impedance</i> | <i>50 Ω nominal</i> | |
| <i>Reverse isolation</i> | <i>50 dB typical</i> | |
| <i>Third Order Intercept (TOI)</i> | <i>+23 dBm typical</i> | |
| <i>Power dissipation</i> | <i>2.1 W typical</i> | |

Table 2-1 87405C specifications (continued)

| Specification | 87405C |
|---------------|--|
| Bias voltage | +15V ±6% Vdc at 140 mA nominal -15V ±6% Vdc at 3 mA nominal |
| Connectors: | |
| - RF | Type N(f) in, N(m) out |
| - DC | Probe power connector (f) |

Physical specifications

Table 2-2 87405C physical specifications

| | |
|-------------|----------------------|
| Weight | 0.22 kg (0.485 lb) |
| Dimensions: | |
| - Length | 98.3 mm (0.709 inch) |
| - Height | 40.3 mm (1.587 inch) |

Environmental Specifications

The 87405C is designed to fully comply with Keysight Technologies's product operating environment specifications. The following table shows the summarized environmental specifications for this product.

Table 2-3 87405C environmental specifications

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| Temperature | –45 °C to +55 °C |
| – Operating | –65 °C to +85 °C |
| – Storage | –65 °C to +85 °C, 10 cycles at 20 °C per minute, 20 minutes dwell time |
| – Cycling | per MIL-STD-883F, Method 1010.8, Condition C (modified) |
| Vibration | |
| – Broadband | 50 to 2000 Hz, 7.0 G rms, 15 minutes, per MIL-STD-883F, Method 2026-1 (modified) |
| – Random | |
| Shock | |
| – Half-sine | 1500 G @ 0.5 ms, 3 shock pulses per orientation, 18 total per |
| – Smoothed | MIL-STD-883F, Method 2002.4, Condition B (modified) |
| Humidity | |
| – Operating | 50% to 95% Relative Humidity (RH) at 40 °C, 24 hour cycling, repeated 5 times |
| – Storage | 90% RH at 65 °C, one 24 hour cycle |
| Altitude | |
| – Storage | <15300 m (50000 ft) |
| Temperature coefficient | |
| – Gain | –0.06 dB/°C |

3 Operating Guides

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This chapter provides simple quick-check instructions to verify the 87405C pre-amplifier functionality prior to usage.

Installation

Initial inspection

- 1 Unpack and inspect the shipping container and its contents thoroughly to ensure that nothing was damaged during shipment. If the shipping container or cushioning material is damaged, the contents should be checked both mechanically and electrically.
 - Check for mechanical damage such as scratches or dents.
 - Procedures for checking electrical performance are given under “Operator’s check” on page 21 or “Performance Tests” on page 22.
- 2 If the contents are damaged or defective, contact your nearest Keysight Technologies Service and Support Office. Refer to “Sales and Technical Support” on page 4 of this manual. Keysight Technologies will arrange for repair or replacement of the damaged or defective equipment. Keep the shipping materials for the carrier's inspection.
- 3 If you are returning the instrument under warranty or for service, repackaging the instrument requires original shipping containers and material or their equivalents. Keysight Technologies can provide packaging materials identical to the original materials. Refer to “Sales and Technical Support” on page 4 of this manual for the Keysight Technologies nearest to you. Attach a tag indicating the type of service required, return address, model number, and serial number. Mark the container **FRAGILE** to insure careful handling. In any correspondence, refer to the instrument by model number and serial number.

Operating Instructions

Operator's check

The operator's check is supplied to allow the operator to make a quick check of the 87405C prior to usage or if a failure is suspected.

Operator's check for the S-parameter test

All four S-parameters of the pre-amplifier are measured using a network analyzer calibrated with the necessary settings applied. The equipment setup is as illustrated in [Figure 3-1](#).

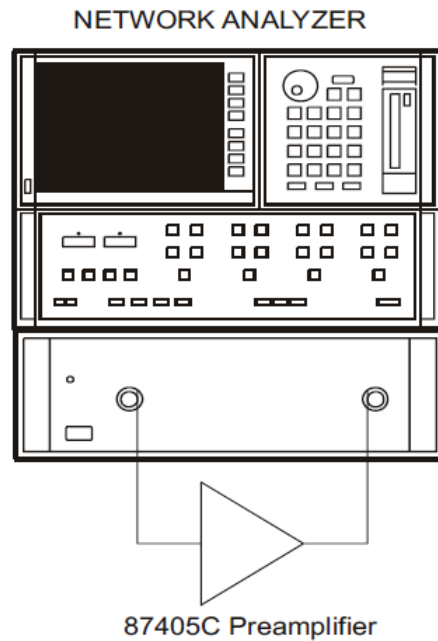


Figure 3-1 Equipment setup using network analyzer

Quick-check procedure

- 1** Calibrate the network analyzer using appropriate settings and setup if necessary.
- 2** Connect the input of the pre-amplifier to port 1 of the network analyzer and the output to port 2.
- 3** Turn on biasing to the pre-amplifier by connecting to a power supply, ± 15 V, 0.2 A.
- 4** Measure the S11 (input return loss), S22 (output return loss), and S21 (gain). Gain flatness is the difference between maximum and minimum gain values.
- 5** Compare the measurement results with the specifications in [Table 2-1](#).

Performance Tests

The pre-amplifier can be tested to the accuracy of the specifications with a network analyzer or equivalent equipment of suitable accuracy. If a network analyzer is available, test the pre-amplifier using the procedure in the analyzer's operating manual.

Service and Maintenance

Service

The 87405C does not have internal adjustments and should not be opened; it should only be repaired by service-trained personnel. Should it become necessary to return the 87405C for repair or service, contact your nearest Keysight Sales and Service Center.

Maintenance

The connectors of the 87405C, particularly the connector faces must be kept clean. Keysight recommends that the connectors be periodically inspected and cleaned if necessary. For instructions on the connection and maintenance of your connectors, refer to the Connector Care Quick Reference Card (08510-90360).

Replaceable Parts

Table 3-1 lists the replaceable parts for the 87405C pre-amplifier.

Table 3-1 Replaceable parts for the 87405C

| Description | Keysight part number | Quantity |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|
| Cable assembly – banana plug | 87405-20006 | 1 |
| Cable assembly – probe power cable | 87405-20007 | 1 |
| Cable assembly – 15-pin | 87405-20010 | 1 |

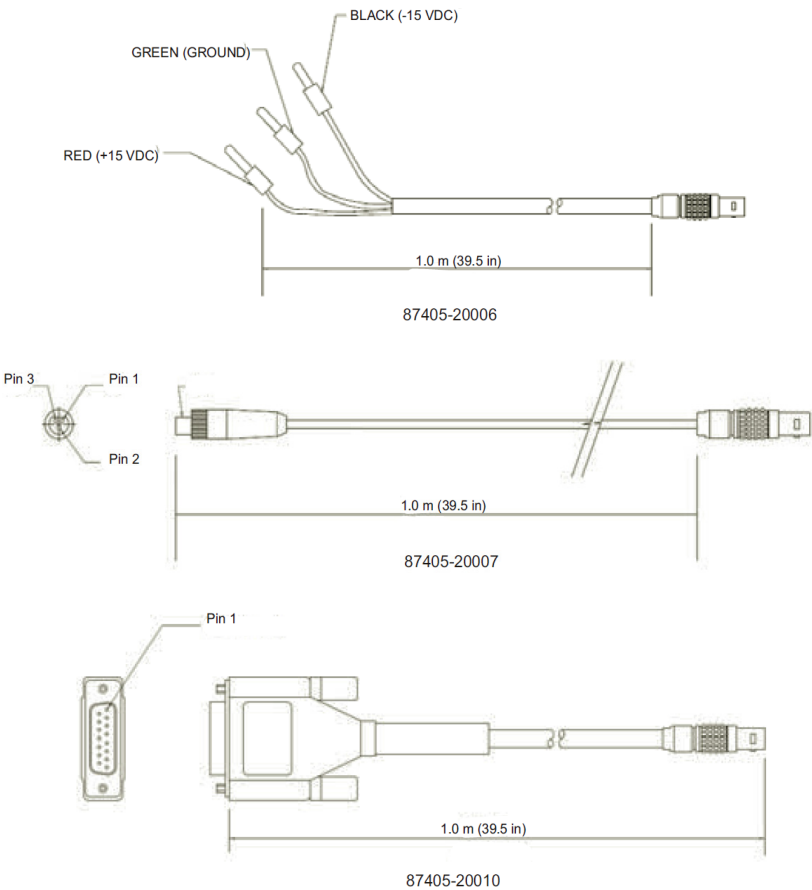


Figure 3-2 Drawings of replaceable parts for the 87405C



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