

No. of Sections 2 3 4 5 6 or more

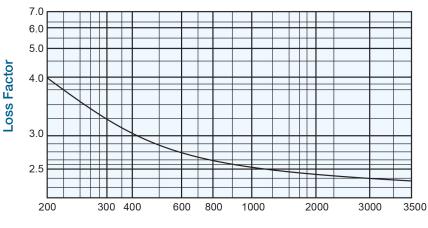
1.5/1 VSWR BW 0.4 0.7 0.8 0.85 0.9

MIN 3 dB BW



Specification	Standard	*Special	
Electrical			
Center Frequency (Fc)	250 to 3000 MHz	200 to 3500 MHz	
3dB Relative Bandwidth (% of Fc)	4 to 40	4 to 50	
Number of Sections Available	3 to 8	2 to 10	
Nominal Impedance	50Ω	50Ω to 100Ω	
Maximum Insertion Loss	See Curve	See Curve	
Maximum VSWR	1.5/1	1.3/1	
Attenuation in the Stopband	See Page 50	See Page 50	
Maximum Input Power (Average) (Watts to 10,000 ft.)	200 X 3dB BW (MHz)	0 0	
	(LOSS FACTOR)(Fc MHz)	See Standards	
Maximum Input Power (Peak) (Watts to 10,000 ft.)	_150 x 3dB BW (MHz)_	See Standards	
	Fc (MHz)		
Environmental			
Shock	30 G's	50 G's	
Vibration	10 G's	15 G's	
Humidity	90% relative	100% relative	
Altitude	Unlimited	Unlimited	
Temperature Range (Operating)	- 25°C to + 50°C	- 54°C to + 85°C	
Temperature (Non-Operating)	- 54°C to + 70°C	- 54°C to + 100°C	
Mechanical Approximate Weight	0.5 oz. per inch	0.5 oz. per inch	
Mounting Provisions	See Page 53	See Page 53	

^{*}Contact Benchmark Lark Engineering for Special Configurations



Center Frequency (MHz)

Insertion Loss:

The maximum Insertion Loss at center frequency is equal to:

Where:

LF = Loss Factor N = Number of Sections % 3dB BW:

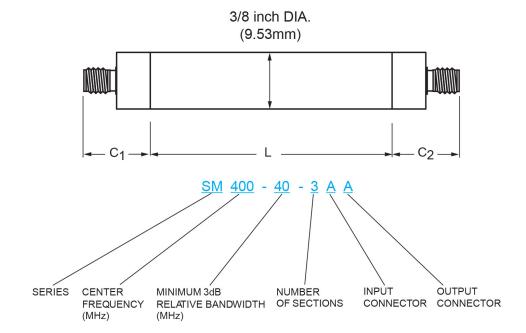
 $\frac{\text{3dB BW (MHz)} \times 100}{\text{Center Frequency (MHz)}}$

Example:

A 3 section SM with a center frequency of 400 MHz and a 3dB BW of 400 MHz would have, $\,$

$$\frac{3.0 \times 3.5}{10} = \frac{10.5}{10} = 1.05$$

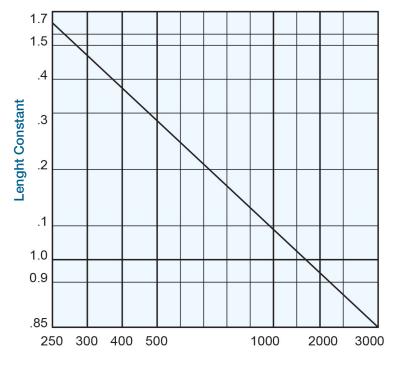
$$1.05 + 0.2 = 1.3$$
dB



Connectors Available on SF Series

LARK		C DIM.		LARK	K		C DIM.	
CODE	TYPE	INCHES	MM	CODE	TYPE	INCHES	MM	
A B	SMA JACK SMA PLUG	.800 .885	20.3 22.5	*L *M S	SOLDER PIN AXIAL SOLDER PIN RADIAL SPECIAL	.625 .625	15.9 15.9	

^{*}Not recommended for use with this series.



Center Frequency (MHz)

LENGTH:

The approximate length of a Lark SF series filter can be determined by the formula:

$$(\frac{0.5 \text{ N} + 2) \times LC = L}{\text{% BW}}$$

Where N is the number of sections used, % BW is:

LC is the length constant at the specified center frequency, L is the dimension between the connectors; $\mathrm{C_1}$ and $\mathrm{C_2}$ are the connector lengths as shown above. All of the length information given here is approximate. Exact length specifications must be quoted by the factory. If a special length is needed, please submit all of your requirements - both electrical and mechanical. This will enable Lark Engineering to quote the optimum design for your application.

Example:

A 3 section SM with a center frequency of 400 MHz a 3dB BW of 40 MHz and SMA jack input and output connectors would be:

$$(1.5 + 0.2) \times 1.38 = 2.346 + C_1 + C_2$$

In most cases, the L dimension is rounded to the nearest 1/4 inch which in this instance would be 2.25 inches and the O.A.L. is:

$$2.25 + .800 + .800 = 3.85$$
 inches.

To convert inches to millimeters multiply x 25.40.

Stopband Attenuation

The graphs on the following pages define the normal specification limits on attenuation for Lark bandpass filter series HP, HQ, SF, and SM. The minimum level of attenuation in dB is shown as a "number of 3dB bandwidths from center frequency".

Since the frequency characteristics vary for differing bandwidths, it is necessary to establish specifications for each bandwidth of filter. The different graphs represent various 3dB percentage bandwidths. Intermediate values should be interpolated. The 3dB percentage bandwidth is defined as follows:

3dB Bandwidth (MHz) x 100 Center Frequency (MHz)

The exact relationship is as follows:

1. 3dB Bandwidths
From Center Frequency =

Rejection Frequency — Center Frequency
(MHz) (MHz)

3dB Bandwidth (MHz)

Example: Given:

2. Center Frequency = 300 MHz Minimum 3dB Bandwidth = 30 MHz Number of Sections = 5

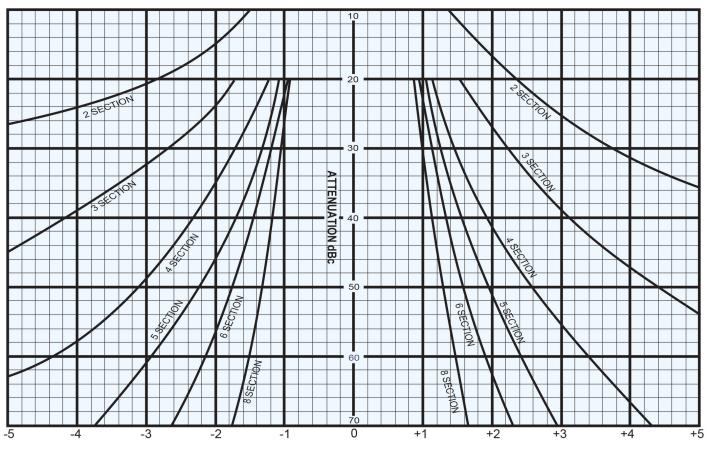
Find: Minimum attenuation levels at 255 MHz and 348 MHz.

3dB BW's from Fc =
$$\frac{255 - 300 = -1.5}{30}$$

and $\frac{348 - 300}{30} = +1.6$

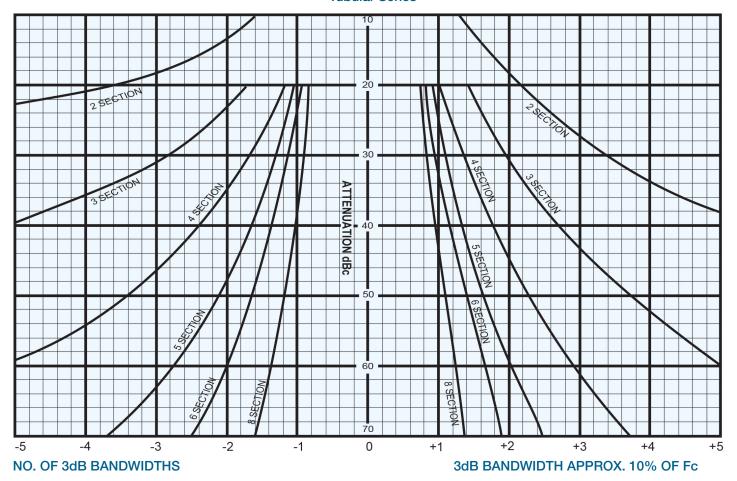
As the 3dB bandwidth is exactly 10% of the center frequency, the answer can be read directly from the 10% graph. Using the 5 section curve at the point -1.5 (255 MHz) we find the minimum level of attenuation is 36dB. At +1.6 (348 MHz) the minimum level of attenuation is 48dB.

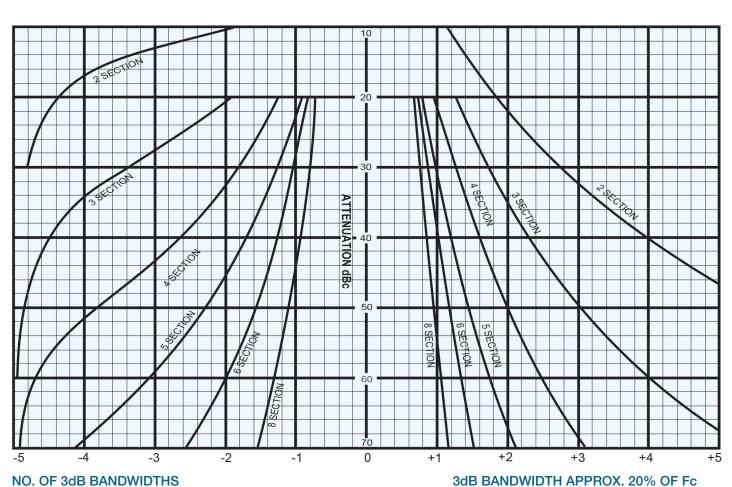
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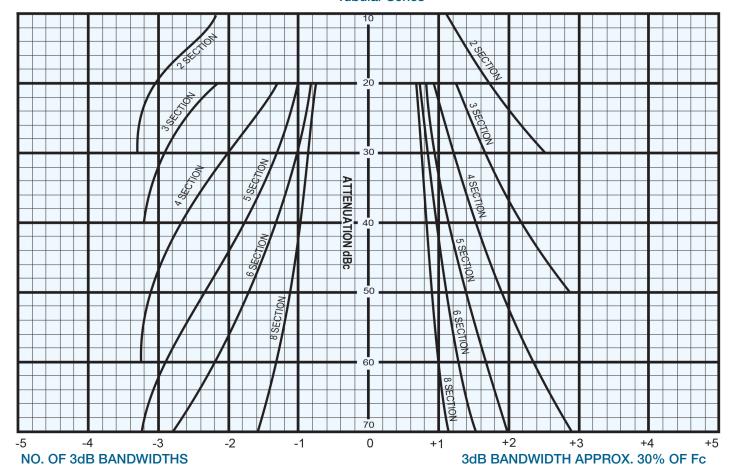


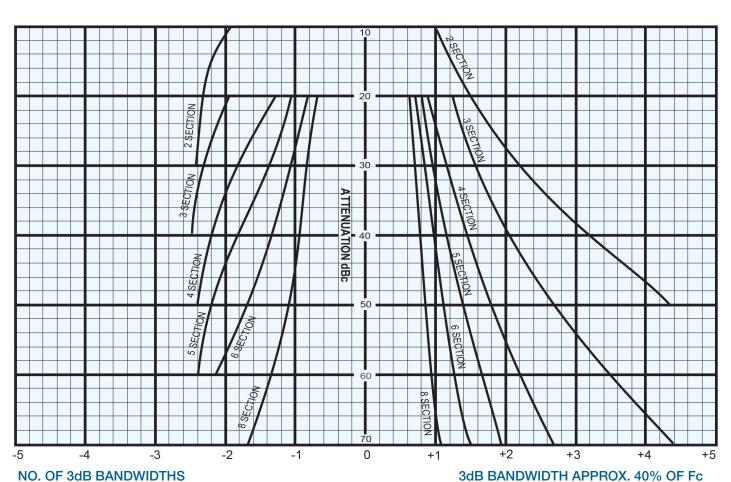
NO. OF 3dB BANDWIDTHS

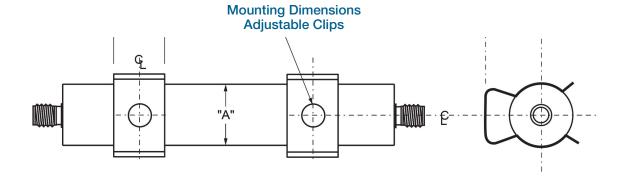
3dB BANDWIDTH APPROX. 5% OF Fc





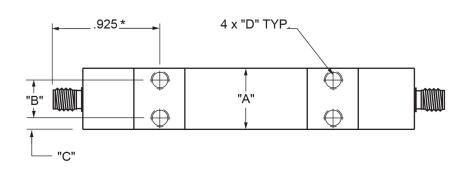


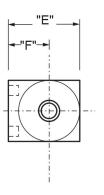




MODEL	"A" DIA.	"B"	"C" DIA	"D"
SM	3/8"	.360	.170	.310
SF	1/2"	.390	.170	.420
HQ	3/4"	.625	.265	.620
HP	1 1/4"	.625	.265	.820

Fixed Blocks





MODEL	"A" DIA.	"B"	"C"	"D"	"E"	"F"
SM	3/8"	.187	.094	2-56 UNC-2B x 3/32 DP	.438	.250
SF	1/2"	.312	.094	4-40 UNC-2B x 3/16 DP	.625	.375
HQ	3/4"	.500	.125	6-32 UNC-2B x 1/4 DP	.875	.500
HP	1 1/4"	1.000	.125	10-32 UNC-2B x 1/4 DP	1.500	.875

*Dimension from connector tip to mounting holes are shown only for SMA jacks. For other connectors, add or subtract the difference of C dimension from connector code.

/M after the part number denotes mounting blocks /C after part number denotes mounting clips Refer to page 106 for correct part number sequence and usage.

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