## **INSTRUCTION SHEET**



## **VP-2 VOLTAGE PICKOFF**

## **50 OHM**

The Tektronix VP-2 is a special 50  $\Omega$  'T' type pickoff for use with the Tektronix P6038 Direct Sampling Probe. The in-line portion of the 'T' is fitted with GR Type 874 connectors and the pickoff point is a receptacle for the probe tip.

When used with the P6038 Probe, the VP-2 allows signal pickoff from a 50  $\Omega$  system with minimum disturbance of the system characteristics. This provides a convenient means of obtaining a signal for the vertical sampling unit from a closed 50  $\Omega$  system. The insertion voltage loss due to the VP-2 and P6038 will be about 0.05%. Distortion of the vertical signal or the signal in the 50  $\Omega$  system will be negligible if the probe is properly compensated and the system is properly terminated. Since the VP-2 offers a low input impedance to the probe, it can be used to calibrate the P6038 Probe.

Reflection coefficient of the VP-2 alone is about 4% inductive. With the P6038 Probe inserted into the VP-2, the reflection coefficient is about 6% capacitive (measured

with test system having  $T_r$  (risetime) of 150 psec). VSWR of the VP-2 only at 1 Gc is typically 1.1; with the P6038 Probe insterted, typically 1.14.

The source impedance at the probe receptacte to about 62.5 ohms. This is comprised of the 37.5  $\Omega$  resistance of the VP-2 (see schematic) in series with the 25  $\Omega$  terminated impedance of the VP-2 input and output

The VP-2 compensates for the small shunt capacitance (2 pf) added by the P6038 Probe so that minimum discontinuity is introduced into the 50  $\Omega$  system. If the probe is removed from the VP-2, the VP-2 will appear as a small inductor connected in series with the 50  $\Omega$  system. For this reason, remove the VP-2 from the system when not in use.

All of the plug-on accessory heads supplied with the P6038 Probe can be used with the VP-2 Voltage Pickoff. See the P6038 Instruction Manual for input characteristics of these accessories.



Schematic of VP-2 Voltage Pickoff.



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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	132-002 132-028 132-001 220-418 344-096 321-085 432-051 351-076 166-364 214-430 214-110			2 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 2	SLEEVE, conductor, outer INSULATOR NUT, coupling NUT, connector, with 8-32 threads CLIP, grounding RESISTOR, 75 Ω, 1/8 W, prec., 1 % BASE, insulator GUIDE, connector SLEEVE, contact CONTACT, base PIN, roll BODY, signal pickoff