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Model DB877

Dekabox[®] Coaxial-Dial Decade Resistor

- 0.02% long-term accuracy
- Eight decades-precision wirewound resistors
- 120 million divisions of resolution
- Low temperature and power coefficient
- Solid silver alloy switch contacts
- Extruded metal case for shielding and mechanical protection

Model DB877 Dekabox® Decade Resistor is designed to provide long-term dependable service in precision DC and audio frequency applications. Eight decades of precision fixed resistors are mounted in an extruded metal case for shielding and mechanical protection. A case-connected ground terminal and two input terminals are conveniently located on the front of each unit.



Featured is the ESI-patented Dekadial[®] coaxial dial arrangement which provides up to 120 million divisions of resolution. It allows first, coarse approximation and then progressively finer steps to arrive at an exact resistance value. The dials turn independently through 360 degrees of rotation. A special detent design facilitates dial location.

Accuracy over a wide range of ambient conditions is assured by the use of resistors exhibiting low temperature and power coefficients. A single continuous filament winding on a thin mica card is used wherever possible. For highresistance values, a non-inductive winding on a ceramic bobbin is used. Switches with multiple contacts of solid silver-alloy provide low, stable contact resistance, and the ceramic switch wafers are treated with silicone to further improve their insulating qualities.

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Specifications

Accuracy

Accuracy of resistance increments is given in the accompanying table. Accuracy of resistance change from zero setting is given below.

| Initial | $\pm (0.01\% + 7m\Omega)$ |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| Long-term | $\pm (0.02\% + 10m\Omega)$ |

Short-Term Switching Repeatability

 $\pm 1 m \Omega$ (typical) Numer of Decades Eight **Total Resistance** $12M\Omega$ **Resistance per Decade** See table Smallest Step 0.1Ω **Resistance at Zero Setting** Approximately 40m Breakdown Voltage 1000V peak to case Dimensions Height 5.9 in. (15.0cm) Width 8.5 in. (21.6cm) Depth 6.5 in. (16.5cm) Weight 7.5 lbs (3.4kg) net

Model DB877 ratings per step for each

decade

| RESIST- ANCE PER SMALLEST DECADE STEP (Ω) (Ω) | INCREMENTAL ACCURACY | | | COEFFICIENTS | | MEASUREMENT DUTY* MAXIMUM RATINGS | | PEAK |
|---|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|------|
| | INITIAL (%) | LONG- TERM (%) | TEMPER- ATURE (ppm/°C) | POWER (ppm/mW/ step) | POWER (mW/step) | CURRENT (mA) | VOLTAGE (V/step) | |
| 10M | 1M | 0.02 | 0.03 | 5 | 0.3 | 22 | 0.15 | 300 |
| 1M | 100k | 0.02 | 0.03 | 5 | 0.3 | 220 | 1.5 | 300 |
| 100k | 10k | 0.02 | 0.03 | 5 | 0.3 | 500 | 7 | |
| 10k | 1k | 0.02 | 0.03 | 5 | 0.3 | 500 | 23 | |
| 1k | 100 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 5 | 0.3 | 500 | 71 | 1 |
| 100 | 10 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 15 | 0.9 | 500 | 230 | |
| 10 | | 0.1 | 0.12 | 20 | 1.2 | 500 | 710 | |
| 1 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 60 | 6 | 250 | 1600 | 1 |

*Intermittent use such that temperature rise of the resistor will not appreciably exceed that which would occur in free air.

Standard Equipment

Model DB877 comes with a 19199 instruction manual.



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