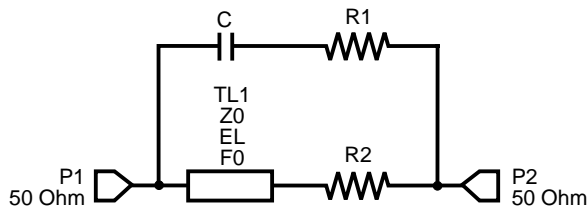


# Transmission Line Model Mini Springs™

These transmission line models accurately simulate the frequency-dependent behavior of Coilcraft surface mount “Spring” air core inductors within the frequency limits shown in the accompanying table for each individual inductor. They are based on de-embedded measurements using a 2-port network analyzer.

The model schematic, shown below, combines an ideal transmission line model with lumped elements. Each model should be analyzed only as a whole at the input and output ports. Conclusions based on individual lumped element values may be erroneous. The individual element values R1, R2, C, Z0, EL, and F0 are listed in the table for each individual spring inductor.



Effects due to different circuit board traces, board materials, ground planes or interactions with other components are not included. They *will* have a significant effect when comparing the simulation to measurements of the individual inductors using other production verification instruments and fixtures.

Typically, the Self-Resonant Frequency (SRF) of the inductor model will be higher than a measurement of the component mounted on a circuit board. The parasitic reactive elements of a circuit board or fixture will effectively lower the circuit resonant frequency, especially for very small inductance values. Data sheet specifications are based on typical production measurements. These models are based on de-embedded 2-port measurements as described below, so the model results may be different from the data sheet specifications.

## Lumped Element Modeling Method

The measurements were made over a brass ground plane with each component centered over an air gap, as illustrated in Figure 1. The gap width for each size component is given in Table 1. The test pads were 30 mil

Table 1. Test Gap

Size	Gap Width (inch/mm)
Size A	0.060 / 1,524
Size B	0.120 / 3,048

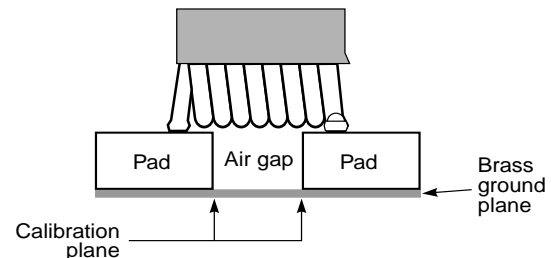


Figure 1. Test Setup

(50 Ohm) wide traces of tinned gold over 25 mil thick alumina, and were not included in the gap. The TRL\* calibration plane is also illustrated in Figure 1.

The lumped element values were determined by matching the simulation model to an average of the measurements. This method results in a model that represents as closely as possible the typical frequency-dependent behavior of the component within the specified frequency limits of the model. The lumped element models were used to generate our 2-port S-parameters and therefore give identical results with the same number of simulation frequency points. The S-parameters are available on our web site at <http://www.coilcraft.com/models.cfm>.

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Part number	Frequency limit of Model (MHz)		R1 ( $\Omega$ )	R2 ( $\Omega$ )	C (pF)	TL1		
	Lower	Upper				Z0 ( $\Omega$ )	EL (degrees)	F0 (MHz)
A01T_	50	14000	11.13	0.0150	0.0904	94.13	33.44	3505
A02T_	50	9000	11.55	0.0320	0.1114	116.7	34.19	2218
A03T_	50	5500	6.809	0.0513	0.1508	144.2	39.01	1957
A04T_	50	4500	7.084	0.0807	0.2621	182.9	38.39	1572
A05T_	50	3500	5.363	0.1202	0.2456	213.8	39.56	1279
B06T_	50	4000	14.85	0.1508	0.1234	182.5	40.64	1184
B07T_	50	3500	16.69	0.1778	0.1329	203.6	44.14	1143
B08T_	50	2500	26.68	0.2304	0.1247	225.3	48.11	1082
B09T_	50	2500	22.30	0.2802	0.1390	254.5	50.75	1021
B10T_	50	2300	17.51	0.3509	0.1866	269.3	49.99	882



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