

LDA-908V-4 Lab Brick® High Resolution Digital Attenuator

200 – 8000 MHz Frequency | 90 dB Attenuation Range | 4 Channels | 0.1 Step Size

Features/Benefits

- USB and Ethernet Interfaces
- Reliable and Repeatable solid state digital attenuation
- Includes Windows GUI and SDK, macOS GUI and SDK, Linux SDK, LabVIEW driver, Python examples and more
- Configurable Static IP or DHCP
- Password protected Ethernet interface
- Programmable attenuation ramp and fading profiles
- Operate multiple devices directly from a PC or self powered hub
- Easily portable USB powered device

Applications

- Wi-Fi, Wi-Fi 6E, 3G, 4G, 5G, LTE, Microwave Radio Fading Simulators
- Engineering/Production Test Labs
- Automated Test Equipment (ATE)



The Lab Brick LDA series of Digital Attenuators bring affordability, functionality, reliability and simplicity to the microwave test bench. The LDA products range from 6 MHz to 40 GHz with input level tolerance to 2 Watts and step size as small as 0.1 dB.

The LDA-908-4 offers both USB and Ethernet interfaces. The USB port uses a native HID interface to avoid the difficulties inherent in using older serial or IEEE-488 interfaces implemented over USB. As a result, Lab Brick users can get to work faster without having to install kernel level drivers, and Lab Brick devices can be easily used on any system that supports USB HID devices, including low cost embedded computers using Linux or similar operating systems. The Ethernet interface is configurable for Static IP or DHCP with the ability to assign the HTTP port for extra security.

The LDA-908V-4 Digital Attenuator is a highly accurate, bidirectional, 50 Ohm step attenuator with 4 independently controlled attenuator paths. The LDA-908V-4 provides calibrated attenuation from 200 to 8000 MHz with an amazing step size of 0.1 dB and typical accuracy <0.25 dB over 90 dB of control range. The attenuators are easily programmable for fixed attenuation, swept attenuation ramps and fading profiles directly from the included Windows or macOS Graphical User Interface (GUI). Alternatively, for users wishing to develop their own interface, Vaunix supplies LabVIEW drivers, Windows API DLL files, macOS .dylib files, Linux drivers, Python examples and much more.

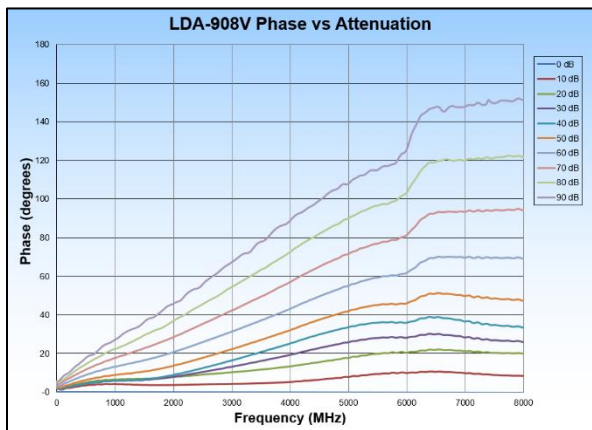
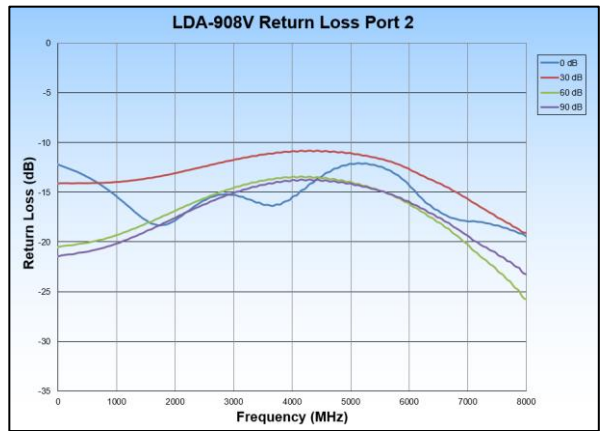
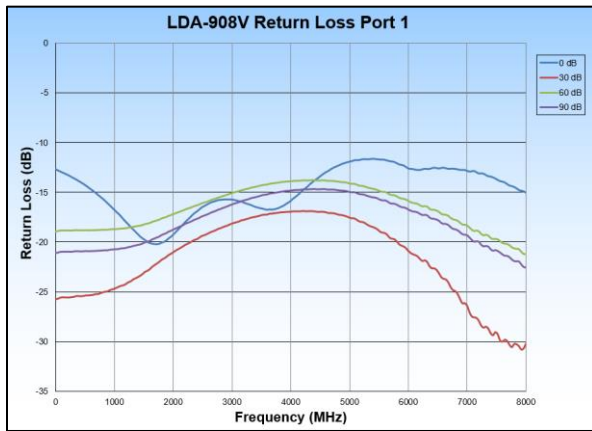
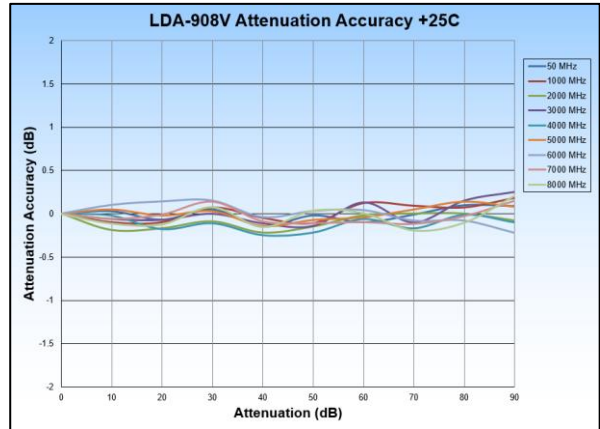
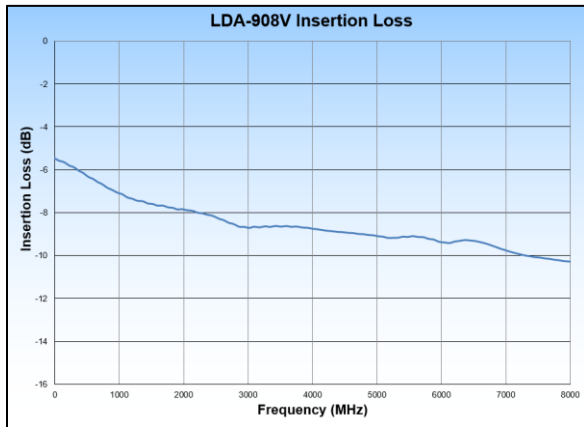
LDA-908V-4 Specifications

Parameter	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max
Frequency Range (MHz)		200		8000
Impedance (Ω)			50	
Channels			4	
Attenuation Range (dB)		90		
Step Size (dB)		0.1		
Insertion Loss (dB)	< 2 GHz		7	8.5
	< 4 GHz		8.5	9.5
	< 8 GHz		9.5	10.5
Attenuation Accuracy (dB)	+25 °C		0.25	1.5
	-30 °C to +70 °C		1	3
Switching Speed (μ s)			15	
Maximum Input Level (dBm)			23	
Input IP3 (dBm)		38	45	
VSWR			1.5:1	

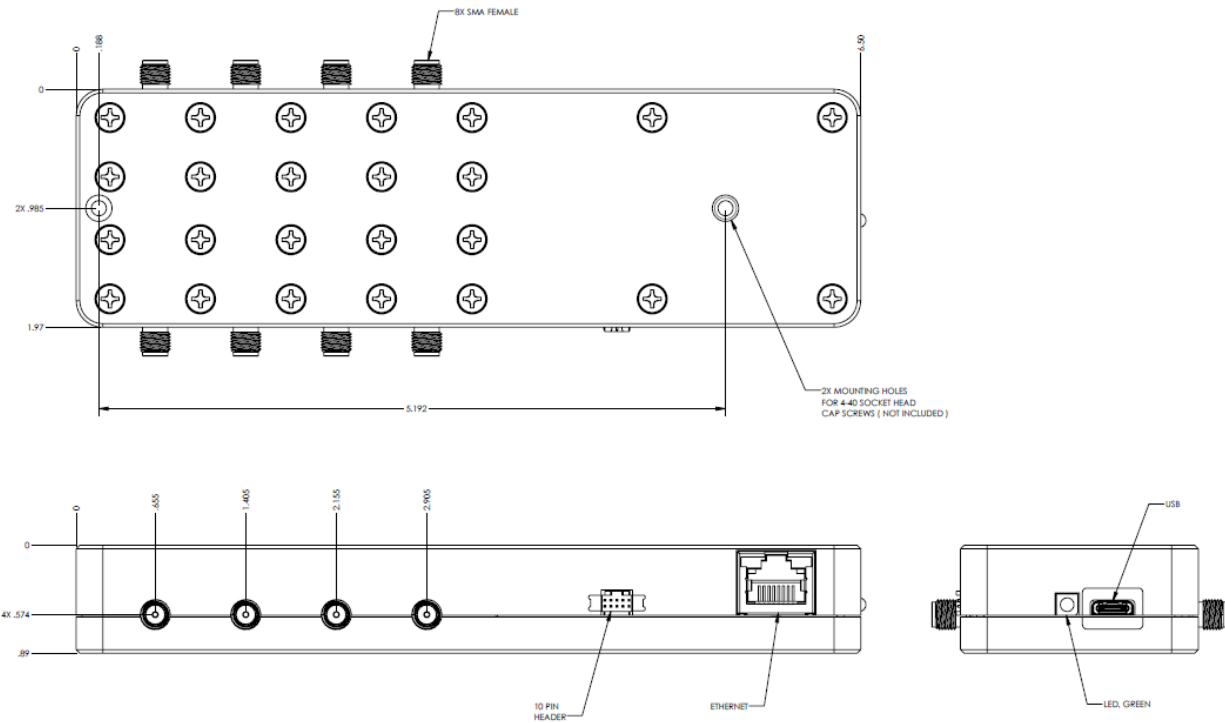
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Power Requirements	From the USB connection	+5 VDC 75 mA
Environmental	Operating Temperature	-30 °C to +70 °C
	Relative Humidity (non-condensing)	<95%
Physical Connections	Power	USB Type C – female
	Control	USB/Ethernet
	RF Connectors	SMA – female
	Expansion Bus ¹	10 pin
Operating Modes	Manual Attenuation Control Swept Attenuation – uni/bi directional – one time/repeat Profile	
Mechanical	Size	6.50 x 1.97 x 0.86 inches 165.1 x 50 x 21.8 millimeters
	Weight	0.4 pounds 0.182 kilograms

¹The expansion bus allows the user to link multiple LDA-908V-4 and LDA-908V-8 attenuators, providing a single point of power and control to a set of devices. Please contact Vaunix for expansion buss instructions, cable pricing, and availability.

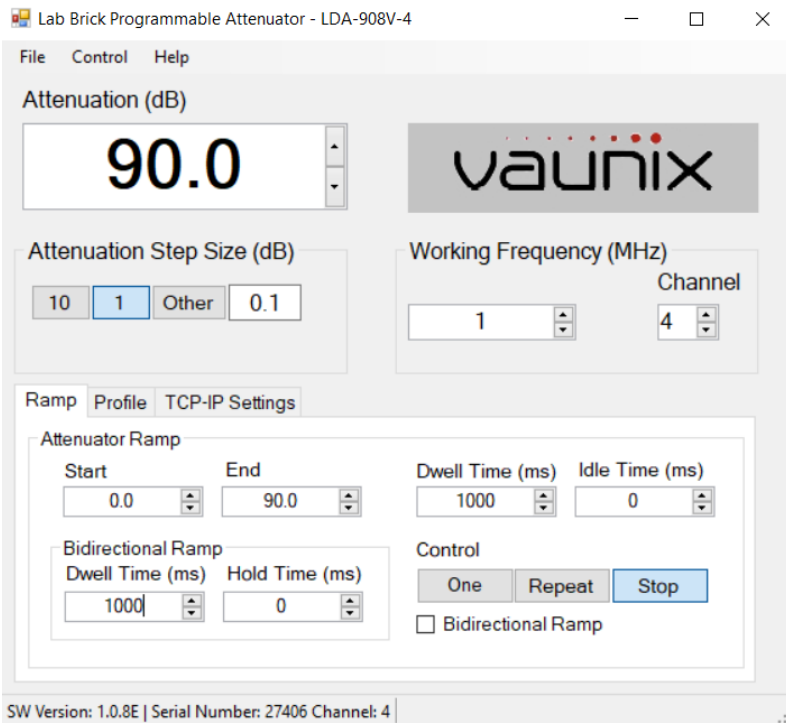
LDA-908V-4 Performance Plots




LDA-908V-4 Mechanical Outline



LDA-908V-4 USB Software Interface



LDA-908V-4 Ethernet Web Interface



LDA-908V-4

STATUS
SETUP
LOGOUT

- RF Settings
- Advance Settings
- Network Settings
- Account Settings

Global Configuration

Frequency MHz (Valid range: 1-8000)

Attenuation dB (Valid range: .0-90.0)

Set All

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Read Config

Apply Changes

Attenuation Settings

Chnl#	Action	Atten. (dB)	Step Size(dB)	Ramp Start(dB)	Ramp End(dB)	Dwell Time(ms)	Idle Time(ms)	Ramp Mode	Bi-Dwell Time(ms)	Bi-Hold Time(ms)	Bi-Ramp
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