

MAP Variable Optical Attenuator

(mVOA-C1)



The Multiple Application Platform (MAP) Variable Optical Attenuator (mVOA-C1) is a stepper motor and filter-based attenuator that delivers metrology-grade attenuation performance in the industry's most compact modular package.

With more than 20 years of leadership in high-performance attenuators for lab and manufacturing applications, the mVOA-C1, now in its 5th generation, is available in single, dual, and/or quad configurations. Also, it works in all MAP-200 platforms, including the new two-slot MAP-220.

The MAP-200 is the first photonic layer lab and manufacturing platform that complies with LAN Extensions for Instrumentation (LXI) by conforming to the required physical attributes, Ethernet connectivity, and interchangeable virtual instrument (IVI) drivers. The optimized MAP-200 platform's industry-leading density and maximum configurability meets specific application requirements within the smallest footprint.

Chassis Flexibility

Leveraging the modularity of the MAP-200 chassis system, the mVOA-C1 can be deployed in several configurations and in many different environments.

For the basic lab bench, a single VOA module can be deployed in a compact MAP-220C LightDirect chassis. This simple two-slot solution is ideal for situations that require simplicity, a local touch screen GUI, and lab portability. When fast, simple, and accurate measurements are necessary, it eliminates the need to use inferior handheld tools or to control the device from a PC. The second slot is ideal for flexibly deploying power meters or optical switches. The MAP-220C can be easily rack-mounted in an automated test environment that requires one to eight VOAs.

Larger, automated production projects require moving up to the MAP-230B or MAP-280. The MAP-280 can fit up to 32 VOAs in just 3U of rack height. All VOAs can be controlled through a simple, common GUI or remote control interface.

Key Benefits

- Ultra low insertion loss (<0.9 dB) and outstanding spectral uniformity minimize loss budget utilization
- Fastest transition speed and settling time in its class reduces testing time
- User-configurable at time of order (fiber type, density, built-in options, high power option)
- Optional built-in power monitor provides comprehensive closed-loop power control settings
- Optional higher power capability can withstand up to 2W input power for single-mode fiber (500 mW for multimode fiber)

Key Features

- High accuracy and high repeatability reduces measurement uncertainty
- Flat spectral response reduces wavelength-dependent uncertainty in CWDM and DWDM multi-wavelength applications
- Low backreflection reduces instabilities due to reflected light
- Optional built-in wavelength calibrated power meter reduces uncertainty by reducing external connections
- High input power capability for EDFA testing and multi-wavelength applications

Applications

- Transmitter dispersion, eye mask, and receiver sensitivity testing
- EDFA noise figure and gain flatness testing
- Power meter calibration
- Loss simulation

Safety Information

- Complies with CE, CSA/UL/IEC61010-1, plus LXI class C requirements when installed in a MAP chassis

Data Sheet



Figure 1. Deployed in the MAP-280 chassis, the Quad mVOA-C1 delivers up to 32 VOA channels in just 3U of equipment rack space.

The MAP variable optical attenuator is a hot-pluggable cassette designed for use within the MAP, which is a general-purpose high-density test and measurement platform for lab or production environments. Up to 16 independently controlled attenuators can be installed in a single MAP chassis.

LightDirect Family

The MVOA-C1 is a member of MAP-200 LightDirect family of basic fiber optic test tools. LightDirect modules can be deployed in all available MAP chassis systems, including the MAP-220C 2-slot benchtop chassis. The MAP-220C is ideal for bench use or small automated test projects and features a local touch screen as well as Ethernet or GPIB automation. The second slot is ideal for an optical power meter or variable optical attenuators. The MAP-230B (3-slot) or MAP-280 (8-slot) is ideal for large deployments and is the most compact optical test solution on the market.



Light Direct

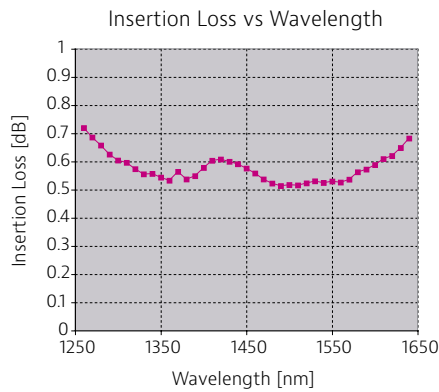


Figure 2. Example of insertion loss of the MAP variable optical attenuator with single-mode fiber

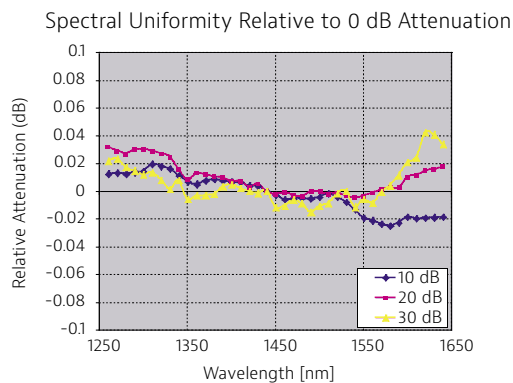
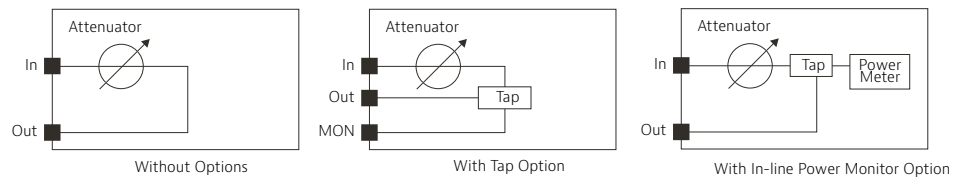


Figure 3. Example of spectral uniformity relative to 0 dB attenuation



2 MAP Variable Optical Attenuator

Specifications

Parameter	Single-Mode		Multimode	
	Standard	With Output Power Monitor	Standard	With Output Power Monitor
Insertion loss at 0 dB ^{1,2,3,4}	≤ 0.9 dB (≤ 1.5 dB tap option)	≤ 1.5 dB	≤ 1.5 dB (≤ 2.4 dB tap option)	≤ 2.4 dB
Polarization-dependent loss ⁵	≤ 0.08 dB (≤ 0.15 dB tap option)	≤ 0.15 dB	N/A	
Return loss ^{1,2,6}	≥ 55 dB		≥ 45 dB	
Maximum input power ⁹ (standard power/high-power option)	+23 dBm/+33 dBm		+23 dBm/+27 dBm	
Wavelength range	1260 to 1650 nm		750 to 1350 nm	
Attenuation range ^{1,2}	70 dB		65 dB	
Shutter isolation	≥ 80 dB		≥ 75 dB	
Attenuation flatness ^{8,10}	± 0.04 dB		N/A	
Attenuation slew rate	≥ 25 dB/s		≥ 20 dB/s	
Relative attenuation uncertainty ^{1,2,3,7,10,11,13}	± 0.1 dB			
Attenuation repeatability ^{3,7,11,13}	± 0.01 dB			
Attenuation resolution ¹⁴	0.001 dB			
Attenuation settling time	≤ 55 ms			
Closed-loop power range ^{1,2}	N/A	+11 to -49 dBm	N/A	+5 to -40 dBm
Power monitor linearity ^{1,2,3,10}	N/A	± 0.03 dB	N/A	± 0.03 dB
Power setting repeatability ^{1,2,10}	N/A	± 0.015 dB	N/A	± 0.015 dB
Power setting resolution	N/A	0.001 dB	N/A	0.001 dB
Warm-up time	30 min			
Calibration period	3 years			
Operating temperature	0 to 50°C			
Storage temperature	-30 to 60°C			
Operating humidity	15 to 80% RH, 0 to 40°C noncondensing			
Dimensions (W x H x D)	4.1 x 13.3 x 37.0 cm			
Weight	1.1 kg (single)/1.3 kg (dual)/1.7 kg (quad)			

1. At both 1550 ± 15 nm and 1310 ± 15 nm for single-mode.
2. At both 850 ± 15 nm and 1310 ± 15 nm for multimode.
3. +23/-5°C only.
4. Excludes connectors, add 0.2 dB typically for connectors.
5. For 0 to 25 dB.
6. Return loss excludes connectors.
7. For range of 0 to 45 dB.
8. For range of 0 to 30 dB over 1480 to 1640 nm.
9. Input to output port only.
10. For light with DOP < 5%.
11. For low-coherence laser source (>500 MHz).
12. Consecutive measurements.
13. Relative to 0 dB position.
14. 0 to 65 dB for single-mode, 0 to 50 dB for multimode.

3 MAP Variable Optical Attenuator

Ordering Information

For more information on this or other products and their availability, please contact your local Viavi account manager or Viavi directly at 1-844-GO-VIAMI (1-844-468-4284) or to reach the Viavi office nearest you, visit viavisolutions.com/contacts.

The MAP variable optical attenuators are defined by selecting the necessary options from the product configurator in the table below. Select one option from each of the three categories (base, fiber type, and connector type options).

Description	Part Number	Description	Part Number
Base Single-Mode Option		Base Multimode Option	
Single VOA, std. power, no options, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1SS0S	Single VOA, std. power, no options, multimode fiber	MVOA-C1SS0M
Single VOA, std. power, 5% output tap, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1SS1S	Single VOA, std. power, internal monitor, multimode fiber	MVOA-C1SSMM
Single VOA, std. power, internal monitor, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1SSMS	Single VOA, high power, no options, multimode fiber	MVOA-C1SH0M
Single VOA, high power, no options, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1SH0S	Single VOA, high power, internal monitor, multimode fiber	MVOA-C1SHMM
Single VOA, high power, internal monitor, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1SHMS	Dual VOA, std. power, no options, multimode fiber	MVOA-C1DS0M
Dual VOA, std. power, no options, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1DS0S	Dual VOA, std. power, internal monitor, multimode fiber	MVOA-C1DSMM
Dual VOA, std. power, 5% output tap, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1DS1S	Dual VOA, high power, no options, multimode fiber	MVOA-C1DH0M
Dual VOA, std. power, internal monitor, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1DSMS	Dual VOA, high power, internal monitor, multimode fiber	MVOA-C1DHMM
Dual VOA, high power, no options, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1DH0S	Quad VOA, std. power, no options, multimode fiber	MVOA-C1QS0M
Dual VOA, high power, internal monitor, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1DHMS	Quad VOA, std. power, internal monitor, multimode fiber	MVOA-C1QSMM
Quad VOA, std. power, no options, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1QS0S	Fiber Type (Mandatory Option)	
Quad VOA, std. power, 5% output tap, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1QS1S	50/125 OM3 multimode fiber	M101
Quad VOA, std. power, internal monitor, single-mode fiber	MVOA-C1QSMS	62.5/125 OM1 multimode fiber	M102
Fiber Type (Mandatory Option)		Connector Type (Mandatory Option)	
9/125 single-mode fiber	M100	FC/PC	MFP
Connector Type (Mandatory Option)		FC/APC	MFA
FC/PC	MFP	SC/PC	MSC
FC/APC	MFA	LC/PC	MLC
SC/PC	MSC	LC/APC	MLU
SC/APC	MSU		
LC/PC	MLC		
LC/APC	MLU		

UL is a registered trademark of Underwriters Laboratories Inc.

© 2015 Viavi Solutions, Inc.
Product specifications and descriptions in this document are subject to change without notice.
mapvoa2-ds-lab-tm-ae
30149437 905 0115