

DATA SHEET

# AA264-87, AA264-87LF: GaAs IC 4-Bit Digital Attenuator 2 dB LSB Positive Control 0.5–2 GHz

## Features

- Attenuation 2 dB steps to 30 dB with high accuracy
- Single positive control for each bit
- Low DC Power consumption
- Small, low-cost TSSOP-16 plastic package
- Available lead (Pb)-free and RoHS-compliant MSL-1 @ 260 °C per JEDEC J-STD-020

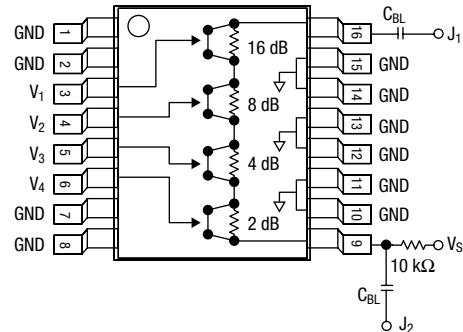
## Description

The AA264-87 is a 4-bit, single positive control GaAs IC FET digital attenuator in a low-cost TSSOP-16 package. The attenuator requires external DC blocking capacitors, positive supply voltage ( $V_S$ ) and four individual positive control voltages ( $V_1$ – $V_4$ ). The AA264-87 is particularly suited where high attenuation accuracy, low insertion loss and low intermodulation products are required. Typical applications include base station, wireless data and wireless local loop gain control circuits.

**NEW** Skyworks offers lead (Pb)-free, RoHS (Restriction of Hazardous Substances)-compliant packaging.



## Pin Out



DC blocking capacitors ( $C_{BL}$ ) and biasing resistor must be supplied externally for positive voltage operation.  
 $C_{BL} = 47$  pF for operation >500 MHz.

**Electrical Specifications at -40 °C to +85 °C (0, 5 V)**

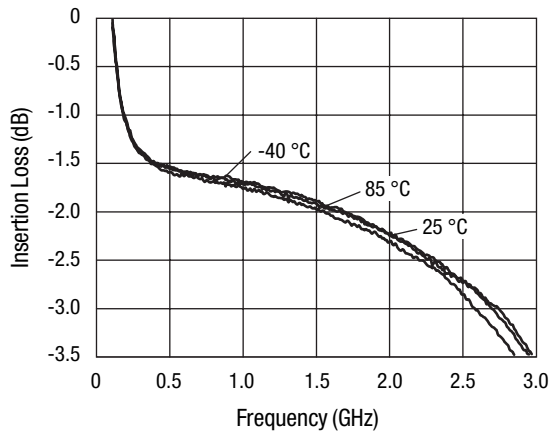
Parameter <sup>(1)</sup>	Condition	Frequency	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Insertion loss		0.5–1.0 GHz		1.6	2.0	dB
		0.5–2.0 GHz		1.8	2.4	dB
Attenuation range				30		dB
Attenuation accuracy <sup>(2)</sup>		0.5–1.0 GHz	± (0.2 + 3% of attenuation setting in dB)			dB
		0.5–2.0 GHz	± (0.3 + 5% of 2–24 dB setting)			dB
		0.5–2.0 GHz	± (0.3 + 6% of 26–30 dB setting)			dB
VSWR (I/O) <sup>(3)</sup>		0.5–0.8 GHz		1.8:1	2.2:1	
		0.8–2.0 GHz		1.5:1	2.0:1	
Switching characteristics	10/90% or 90/10% RF 50% CTL to 90/10% RF T <sub>RISE</sub> = 1 ns, BW = 500 MHz			150		ns
Rise, fall				300		ns
On, off				70		mV
Input power for 1 dB compression	V <sub>S</sub> = 3 V V <sub>S</sub> = 5 V	0.5–2.0 GHz	15	21		dBm
		0.5–2.0 GHz	21	27		dBm
Intermodulation intercept point (IP3)	For two-tone input power 5 dBm V <sub>S</sub> = 3 V V <sub>S</sub> = 5 V	0.5–2.0 GHz	36	44		dBm
		0.5–2.0 GHz	37	45		dBm
Control voltages	V <sub>LOW</sub> = 0 to 0.2 V @ 20 μA max. V <sub>HIGH</sub> = 3 V @ 100 μA max. to 5 V @ 200 μA max. V <sub>S</sub> = V <sub>HIGH</sub> ± 0.2 V					

1. All measurements made in a 50 Ω system, unless otherwise specified.

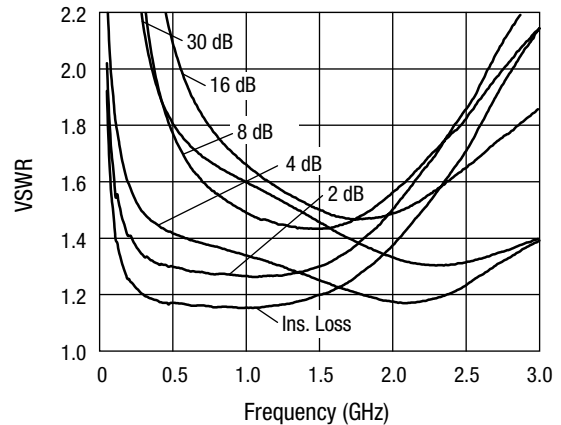
2. Attenuation referenced to insertion loss.

3. Input/output.

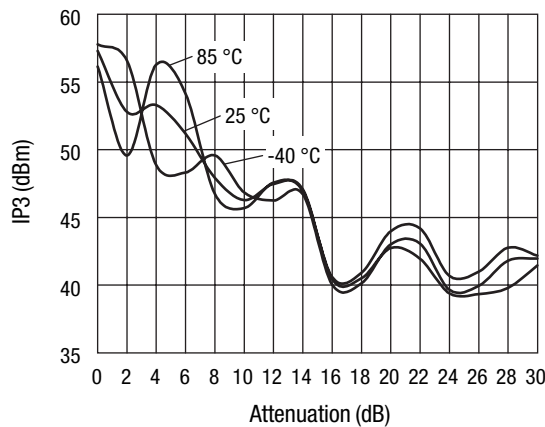
### Typical Performance Data (0, 5 V)



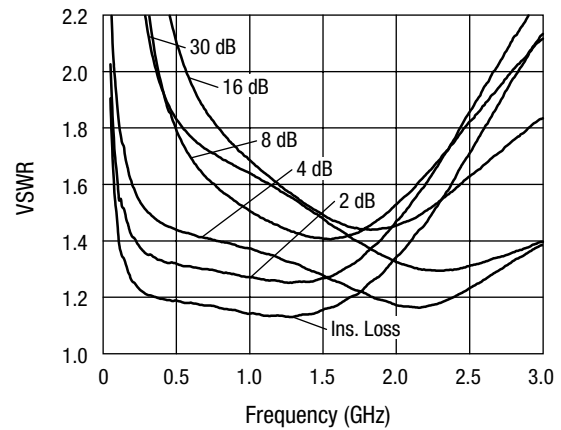
**Insertion Loss vs. Frequency**



**VSWR vs. Frequency (25 °C)**



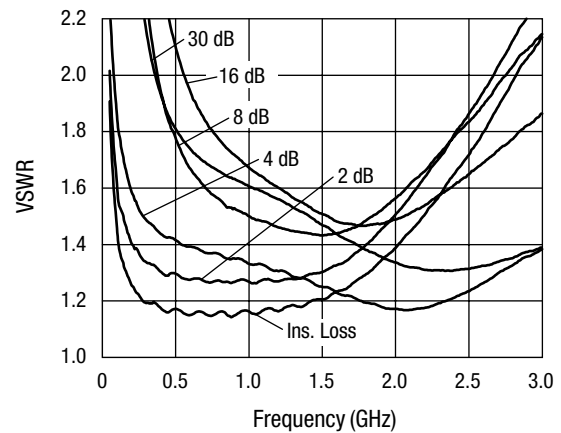
**IP3 vs. Attenuation and Temperature (500 MHz)**



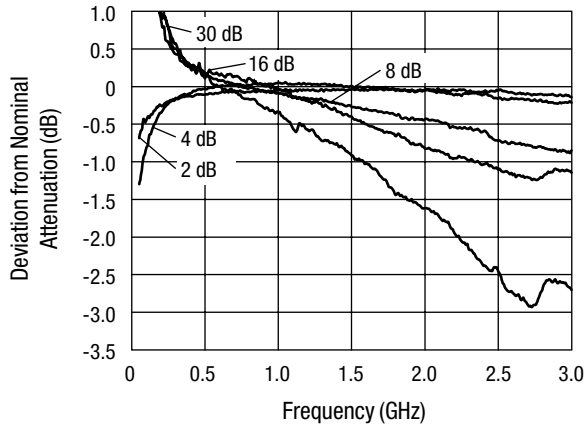
**VSWR vs. Frequency (85 °C)**

### Compression Point vs. Attenuation, Voltage, and Temperature

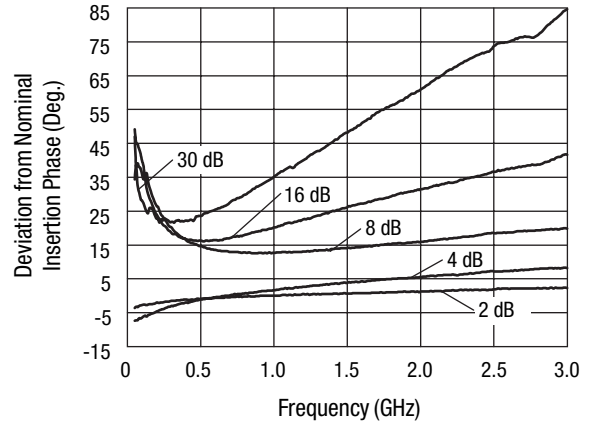
Attenuation State	Control Voltage (V)	Input Power @ 1 dB Compression		
		25 °C (dBm)	85 °C (dBm)	-40 °C (dBm)
Ins. Loss	5	29	28.9	29
2 dB	5	28.3	28.1	28.1
4 dB	5	35.2	34.7	35
8 dB	5	25.8	25.3	25.4
16 dB	5	21.7	21.3	21.6
30 dB	5	24.4	23.2	27.2



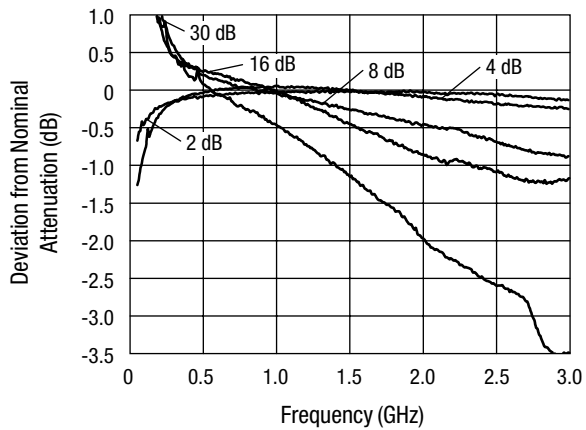
**VSWR vs. Frequency (-40 °C)**



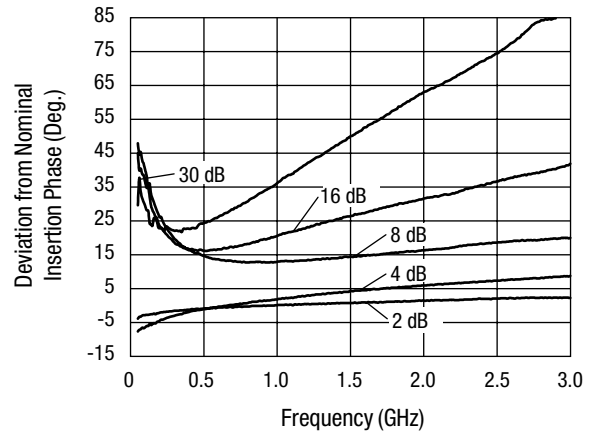
**Attenuation Accuracy vs. Frequency (25 °C)**



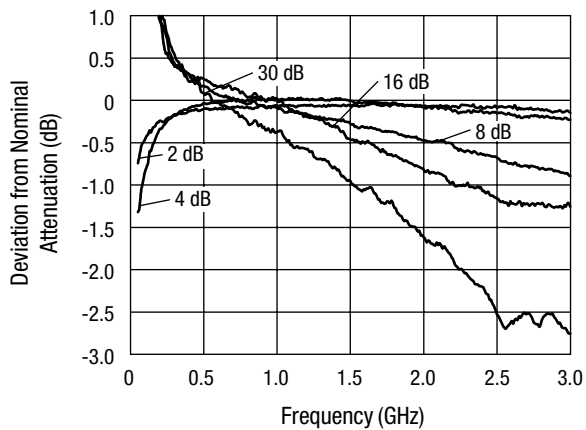
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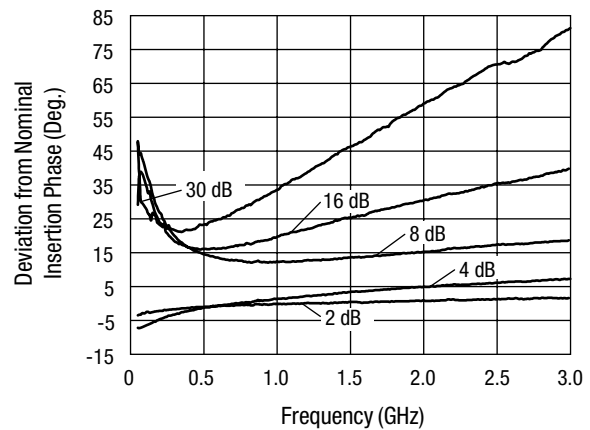
**Attenuation Accuracy vs. Frequency (85 °C)**



**Attenuation Phase Accuracy vs. Frequency (85 °C)**

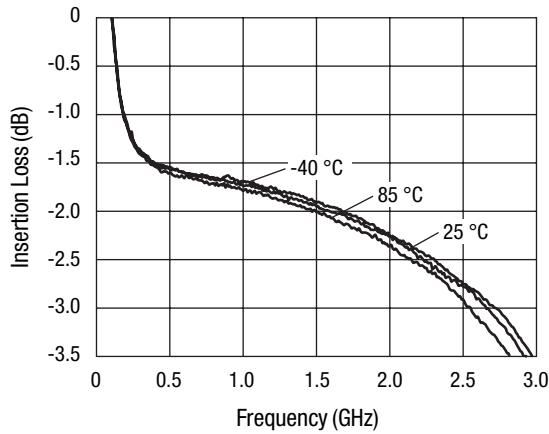


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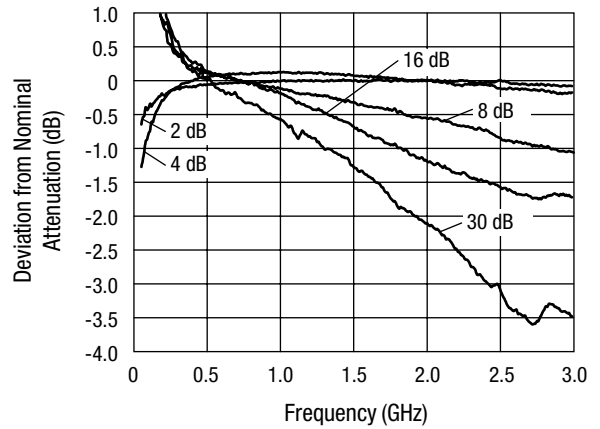


**Attenuation Phase Accuracy vs. Frequency (-40 °C)**

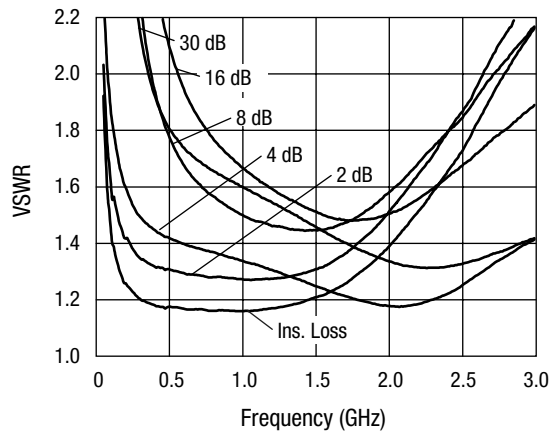
**Typical Performance Data (0, 3 V)**



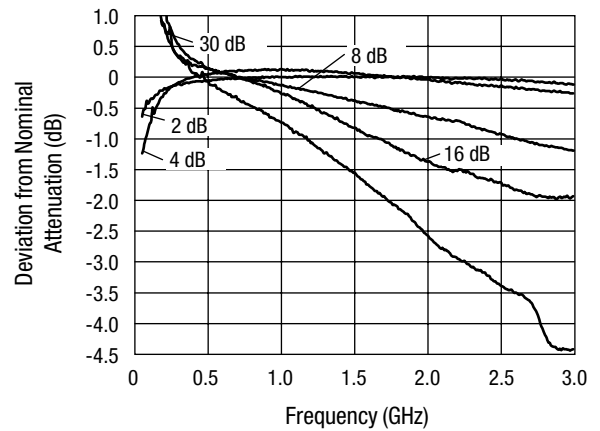
**Insertion Loss vs. Frequency**



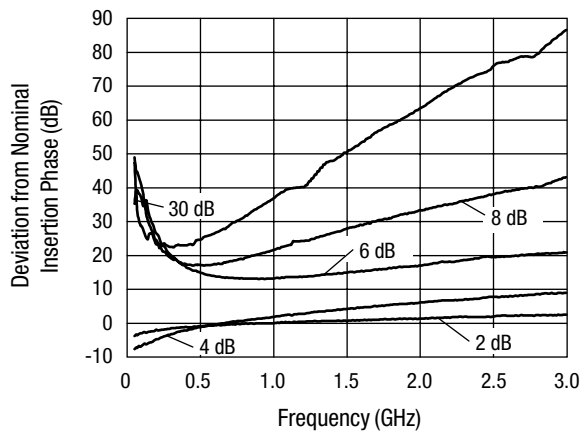
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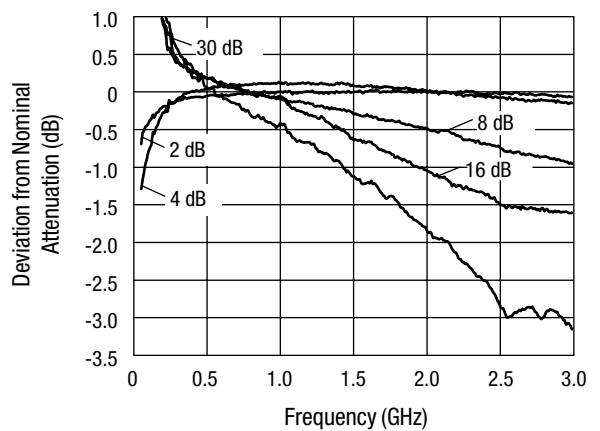
**VSWR vs. Frequency (25 °C)**



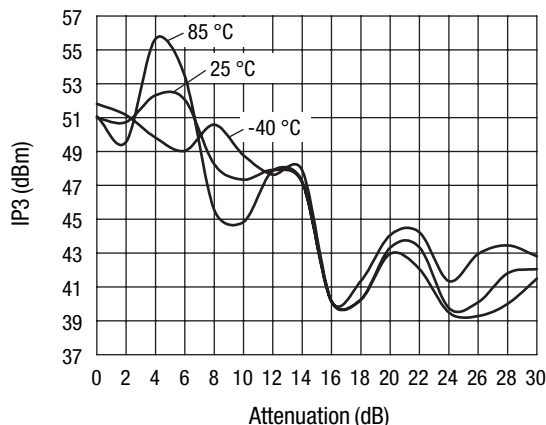
**Attenuation Accuracy vs. Frequency (85 °C)**



**Attenuation Phase Accuracy vs. Frequency (25 °C)**



**Attenuation Accuracy vs. Frequency (-40 °C)**



**IP3 vs. Attenuation and Temperature (500 MHz)**

**Truth Table**

V <sub>1</sub>	V <sub>2</sub>	V <sub>3</sub>	V <sub>4</sub>	Attenuation J <sub>1</sub> -J <sub>2</sub>
16 dB	8 dB	4 dB	2 dB	Reference I.L.
V <sub>HIGH</sub>	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	Reference I.L.
V <sub>HIGH</sub>	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	0	2 dB
V <sub>HIGH</sub>	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	0	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	4 dB
V <sub>HIGH</sub>	0	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	8 dB
0	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	V <sub>HIGH</sub>	16 dB
0	0	0	0	30 dB max. atten.

V<sub>HIGH</sub> = 3 to 5 V (V<sub>S</sub> = V<sub>HIGH</sub> ± 0.2 V).

**Recommended Solder Reflow Profiles**

Refer to the [“Recommended Solder Reflow Profile”](#) Application Note.

**Tape and Reel Information**

Refer to the [“Discrete Devices and IC Switch/Attenuators Tape and Reel Package Orientation”](#) Application Note.

**Compression Point vs. Attenuation, Voltage, and Temperature**

Attenuation State	Control Voltage (V)	Input Power @ 1 dB Compression		
		25 °C (dBm)	85 °C (dBm)	-40 °C (dBm)
Ins. Loss	3	21.7	21.6	22.6
2 dB	3	21.2	20.7	21.4
4 dB	3	34.3	31	34.3
8 dB	3	33.6	23	32.9
16 dB	3	18	17	21.4
30 dB	3	22.4	21.2	24.1

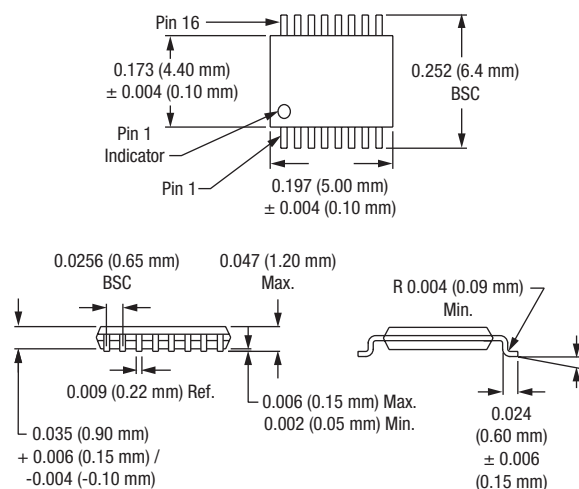
**Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Characteristic	Value
RF input power	1 W > 500 MHz 0/8 V 0.5 W @ 50 MHz 0/8 V
Supply voltage	8 V
Control voltage	-0.2 V, +8 V
Operating temperature	-40 °C to +85 °C
Storage temperature	-65 °C to +150 °C

Performance is guaranteed only under the conditions listed in the specifications table and is not guaranteed under the full range(s) described by the Absolute Maximum specifications. Exceeding any of the absolute maximum/minimum specifications may result in permanent damage to the device and will void the warranty.

**CAUTION:** Although this device is designed to be as robust as possible, ESD (Electrostatic Discharge) can damage this device. This device must be protected at all times from ESD. Static charges may easily produce potentials of several kilovolts on the human body or equipment, which can discharge without detection. Industry-standard ESD precautions must be employed at all times.

**TSSOP-16**



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