

# GaAs IC 35 dB Voltage Variable Attenuator Single Positive 3 V Control 0.5–2.5 GHz



AV108-59

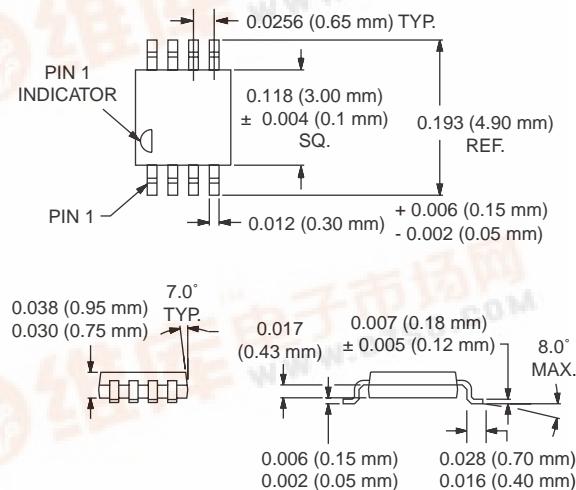
## Features

- Single Positive +3 V Control Voltage
- 35 dB Attenuation Range @ 0.9 GHz
- Excellent Linearity Performance

## Description

The AV108-59 GaAs IC FET voltage variable attenuator provides 35 dB attenuation range at 900 MHz controlled by a single positive voltage. The VVA has a linear transfer curve of 12 dB/V slope, with input and output VSWR better than 2:1 over all states. Its attenuation range at 1900 MHz is 25 dB. It operates with supply voltage of +3 V and control voltage of 0 V to +3 V in a low cost MSOP-8 package. The RF ports require 25 pF DC blocking capacitors.

## MSOP-8



## Electrical Specifications at 25°C ( $V_S = 3$ V)

Parameter <sup>1</sup>	Frequency	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Insertion Loss ( $V_C = 0$ V)	0.5–1.0 GHz 1.0–2.0 GHz 2.0–2.5 GHz		3.4 3.5 3.8	3.6 3.8 4.2	dB
Maximum Attenuation ( $V_C = 3$ V) <sup>2</sup>	0.5–0.8 GHz 0.8–1.0 GHz 1.0–1.7 GHz 1.7–2.0 GHz 2.0–2.5 GHz	25 34 28 25 23	32 37 33 30 26		dB
VSWR (I/O) <sup>3</sup>	0.5–2.5 GHz		1.8:1		

## Operating Characteristics at 25°C ( $V_S = 3$ V)

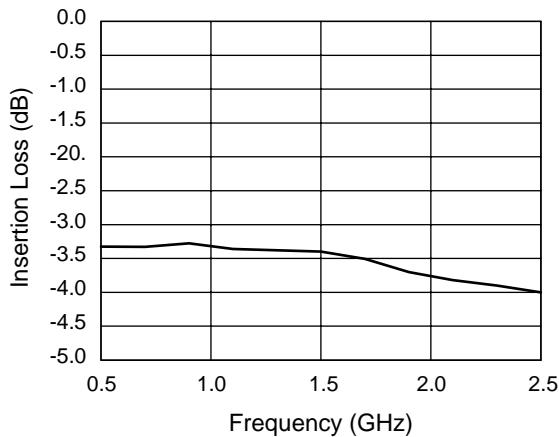
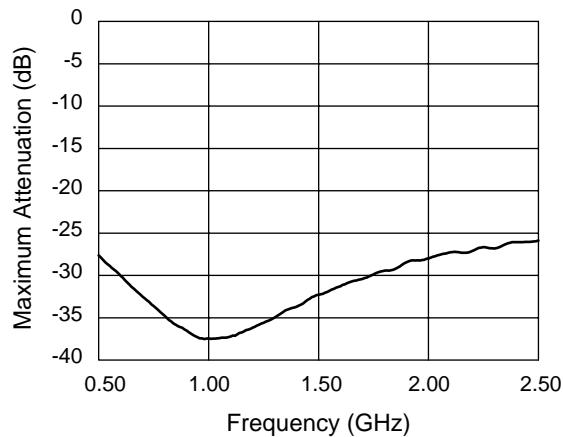
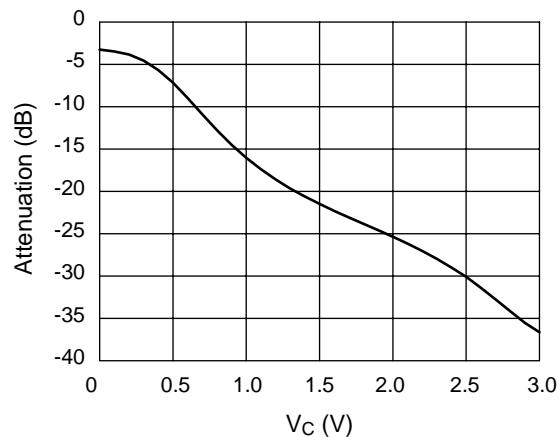
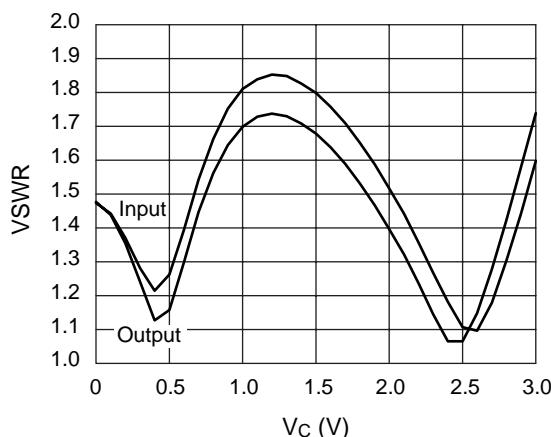
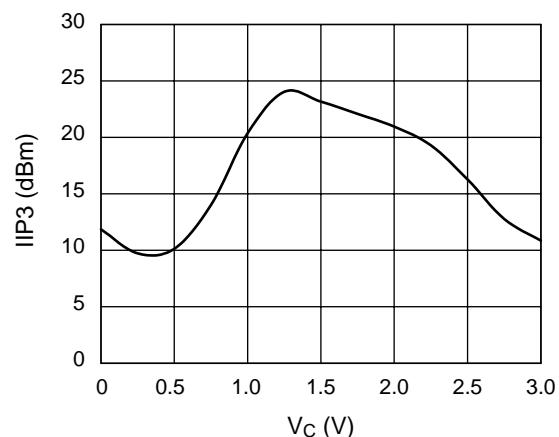
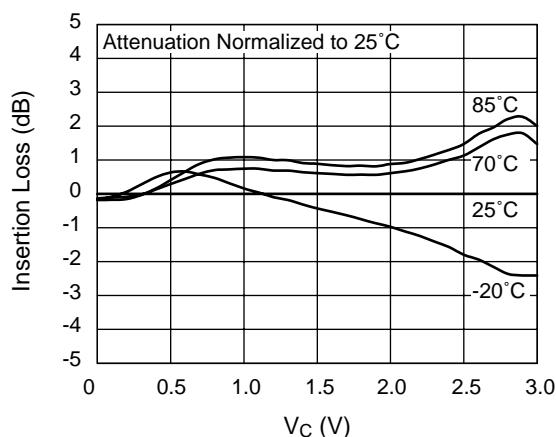
Parameter <sup>1</sup>	Condition	Frequency	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Switching Characteristics	Rise, On (10/90% or 50% CTL to 90% RF) Fall, Off (90/10% RF or 50% CTL to 10% RF)			1.0 0.3		μS μS
Intermodulation Intercept Point (IIP3) <sup>3</sup>	For Two-tone Input Power +0 dBm	0.9 GHz		10		dBm
Control Voltage ( $V_C$ )			0.0		$V_S$	V
Supply Voltage ( $V_S$ )				3		V
Control Current ( $I_C$ )				0.2 × $V_C$		mA
Supply Current ( $I_S$ )				150		μA

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

2. Maximum attenuation includes insertion loss.

3. For worst case state.

**Typical Performance Data @ 0.9 GHz**  
 (Unless Otherwise Specified)

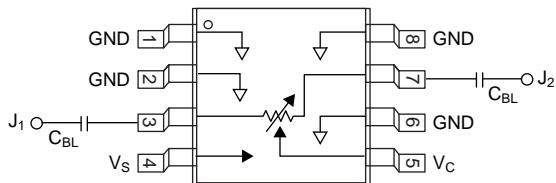
**Insertion Loss vs. Frequency****Maximum Attenuation vs. Frequency****Attenuation vs. Control Voltage****VSWR vs. Control Voltage****Input IP3 vs. Control Voltage****Attenuation vs. Control Voltage Over Temperature**

## Absolute Maximum Ratings

Characteristic	Value
RF Input Power	50 mW > 500 MHz
Supply Voltage	+7 V
Control Voltage	+3.3 V
Operating Temperature	-40°C to +85°C
Storage Temperature	-65°C to +150°C
$\Theta_{JC}$	25°C/W

Note: Exceeding these parameters may cause irreversible damage.

## Pin Out



DC blocking capacitors ( $C_{BL}$ ) supplied externally.  
 $C_{BL} = 25 \text{ pF}$  for operation >500 MHz.