



## MEMS Optical Attenuator

### Description

The VOA series optical attenuator is an electronically variable optical attenuator based on an electrostatic rotating mirror. The device offers high repeatability, low power consumption, fast response time, Telcordia standards GR1221 compliant. The MEMS optical attenuator is hermetically sealed. The VOA series come with complete customization ability.

### Features

- 45 dB attenuation
- Low voltage (0-8)
- High repeatability
- Fast response
- Low initial insertion loss
- Attenuation is stable across temperature changes
- Continuous Attenuation



### Applications

- Test and Measurement
- Field measurements
- Data Centers



**Electro-Optical Characteristics ( $T_{op} 23 \pm 3^{\circ}C$ , unless otherwise specified)**

Parameter	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max	Unit	Notes
Wavelength	$\lambda$	1250		1650	nm	Others available
Insertion Loss	OIL		0.3	1	dB	
Optical Return Loss	ORL		50		dB	Taken at 1310 & 1550
Repeatability	R		0.05		dB	Attenuation < 20 dB
Vias Voltage	V	0		7	V	
Cycles			10		$10^9$	
Polarization Depend Loss	$P_{DL}$		0.2		dB	Attenuation < 10 dB
			0.5			Attenuation < 20 dB
Switching Time	$T_s$		0.5	3	ms	Off to On
Optical Power handling	$P_o$			500	mW	
Wavelength Dependent Loss			0.5		dB	
Temperature Attenuation Change				1	dB	25 – 80°C at 20 dB Attenuation
Ripple			0.05		dB	20 dB Attenuation
PMD			0.1		ps	

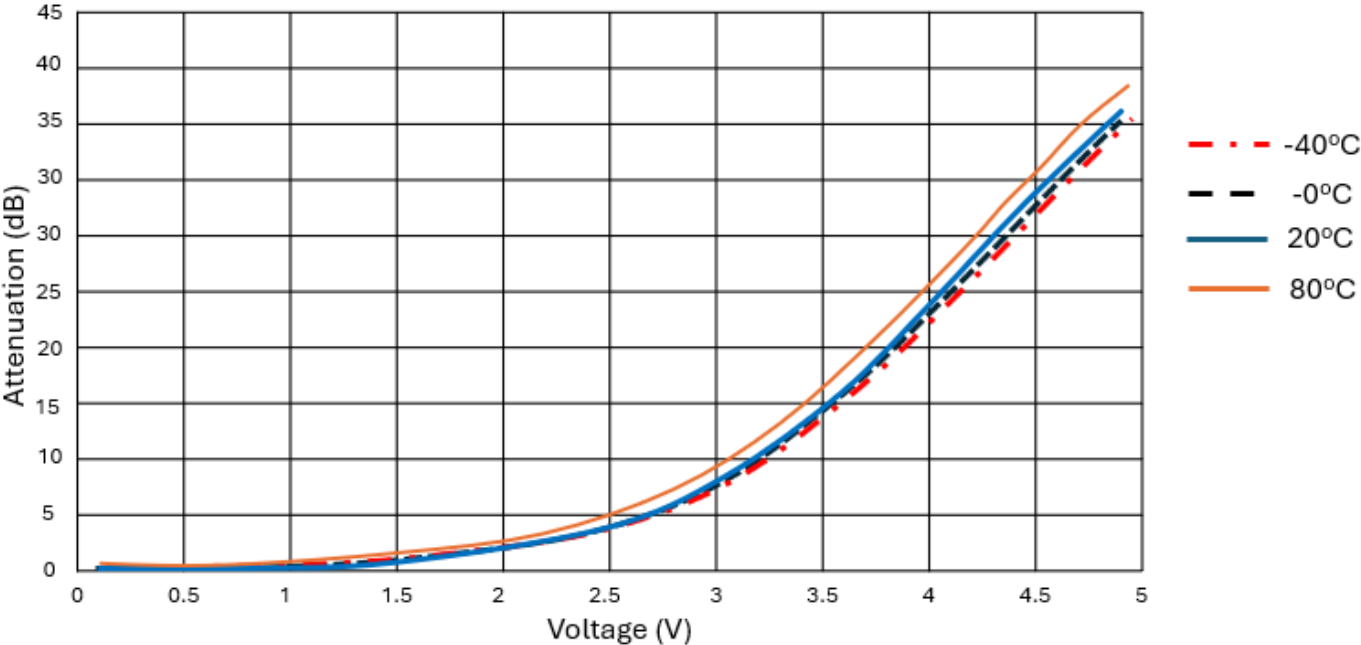
**Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min.	Max.	Unit
Bias Voltage	V			8	V
Power Consumption	P			0.25	mW
Reverse Voltage	Vr			8	V
Optical Input power	$P_{in}$			600	mW
Storage Temperature	$T_{stg}$		-40	90	°C
Storage Humidity	$H_{stg}$			85	% r.H.
Operating Temperature	$T_{op}$		-15	80	°C
Soldering Temperature	$T_{st}$	60 sec		200	°C
ESD Susceptibility		HBM		700	V

Operating at maximum ratings for a prolonged period will cause damage to the device.



**Typical Performance Graph**



**Pin Configuration:** Device is not sensitive to polarity.

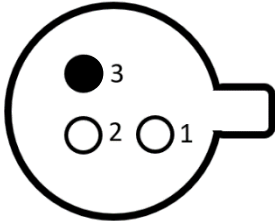


Fig 1A: Bottom View

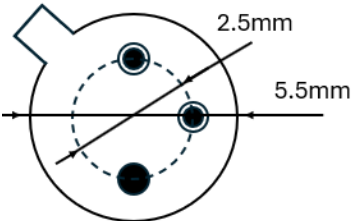


Fig 1B: Pin Dimensions

Pin Number	Function
1	V+
2	V-
3	Case Ground

Table 1: Device Pin out

Device Dimensions

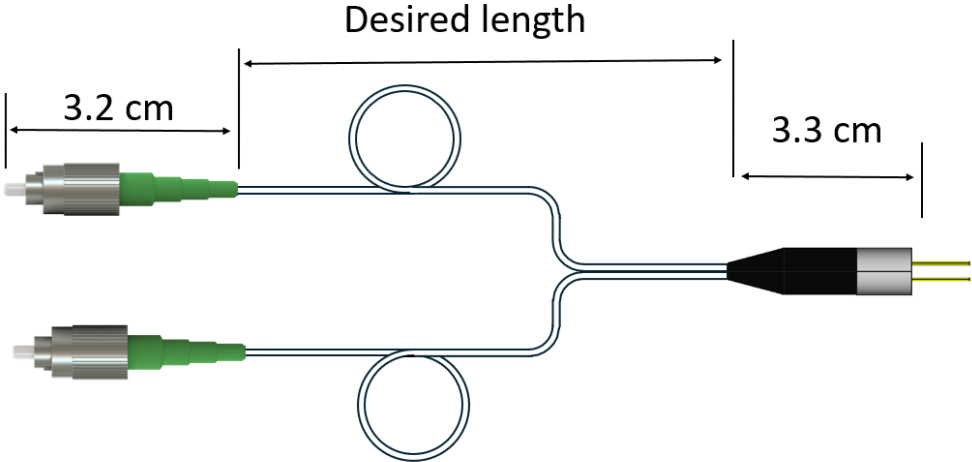
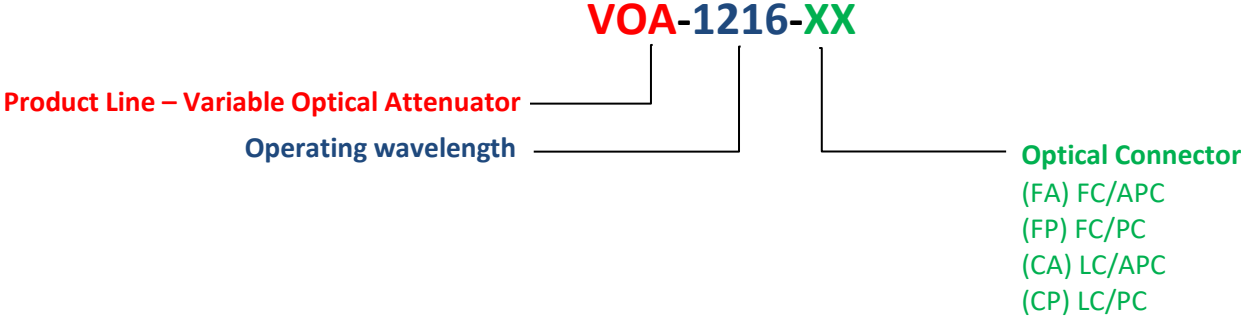


Fig 2: Device mechanical drawing. (All units in mm). Fiber and connector size differs based on build configuration.

Device Nomenclature



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