

Product Overview

VAR4 / VAR12 / VAR20 DSP Audio Router



Description

The VAR4, VAR12 and VAR20 are DSP-based Audio Routers, allowing routing of 4, 12 or 20 audio inputs to any combination of 4, 12 or 20 outputs. In addition to audio routing these units provide full system control and fault reporting functions for the Application Solutions rack mount Voice Alarm systems. The control functions include the monitoring and control of up to 64 x Amplifier mainframes (V400) and associated amplifier interface card/surveillance units.

The VAR4 router includes digital storage for 2 x 32-second and 2 x 16-second DVA messages, provides four audio outputs, and four universal Mic/Line inputs, each of which can be used with an ASL multi-zone paging microphone, or other sources. All-call or zoneable Fire Microphones may be connected to Inputs 1 & 2. These act as all-call failsafe override microphones in the event of processor failure, as required by BS5839 Pt 8.

Fire alarm interfacing is built in, as are numerous routing and general control inputs, and a serial control port, which enables interfacing to advanced DVA or site control systems, and which gives the router the ability to be remotely monitored and configured. There are many other built in functions.

The router also has a front panel display and control interface that provides full control functions for commissioning the system, fault monitoring, and audio monitoring. Access to the amplifier and surveillance settings is controlled by an access PIN code.

The VAR12 has all functions of the VAR4, but with a total of 12 universal audio inputs, 12 audio outputs, and storage for 4×32 -second and 4×16 -second DVA messages.

The VAR20 again has all functions of the VAR4, but with a total of 20 universal audio inputs, 20 audio outputs, and storage for 6 x 32-second and 6 x 16-second DVA messages.

For further details please refer to the DSP Router manual.

Specification

Audio Routing	
VAR4	
Universal Mic / Line audio inputs with serial control,	surveillance tone, and phantom power4
Audio outputs with surveillance tone	4 (Separate A and B outputs for each)
Built In DVA Storage	4 (2 x 32-second & 2 x 16-second)
VAR12	
Universal Mic / Line audio inputs with serial control, s	surveillance tone, and phantom power12
Audio outputs with surveillance tone	, ,
Built In DVA Storage	
VAR20	
Universal Mic / Line audio inputs with serial control, s	surveillance tone, and phantom power20
Audio outputs with surveillance tone	, ,
Built In DVA Storage	12 (6 x 32-second & 6 x 16-second)
All Variants	
Hardware Bypass Fire Microphone Inputs	·
Background Music Line audio inputs	,
Mixed Listen In monitoring audio output	1
General	
VAR4	
Analogue Input Interfaces	10
Opto-Isolated Digital Control / Fault / Routing / Fire A	
Remote I/O Expander Unit (BMB01) Interfaces	3
VAR12	
Analogue Input Interfaces	
Opto-Isolated Digital Control / Fault / Routing / Fire Alarm Panel Input Interfaces32	
Remote I/O Expander Unit (BMB01) Interfaces	6
VAR20	
Analogue Input Interfaces	
Opto-Isolated Digital Control / Fault / Routing / Fire A	
Remote I/O Expander Unit (BMB01) Interfaces	9
All Variants	
Control / Fault Reporting Display and Button Interfac	
Fault Log	
Real Time Clock	
Remote Diagnostics / Control / PC/DVA Interface	,
Auxiliary DC supply for external equipment	
Change Over Fault Relays	2 (One monitored)

Input Graphic Equalisation 3 band plus LF Cut Input overload margin 40dB Input attenuator range 0dB to − 63dB Phantom power ≥12V DC Chime Generation ≥12V DC Chime Generation None / 1 / 2 / 3 Chimes Output Graphic Equalisation 8 band Level and impedance 0dBu @ Z=660Ω Hard limiter threshold +2.5dBu General Gain control Input / Output / External Volume Control Ambient Noise Sensing Programmable Output Level Control Night Volume Control Daily Time Controlled Input / Output Level Control Gain control range 0dB to −63dB THD input to output Level Control Gain control range 0dB to −63dB THD input to output Level Control Gail RhIL <0.1% @1kHz Crosstalk >70dB @1kHz Crosstalk <td< th=""><th>Audio Signal Processing</th><th></th></td<>	Audio Signal Processing	
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Hard limiter threshold	Graphic Equalisation	8 band
General Gain control	Level and impedance	
Gain control	Hard limiter threshold	+2.5dBu
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Residual noise	THD input to output	<0.1% @1kHz
S/N line	Crosstalk	>70dB @1kHz
S/N mic	Residual noise	<78dBu (A)
Frequency response (input to output) Current Consumption VAR4 Backlight on and sounder on	S/N line	>70dB (A)
Current ConsumptionVAR4Backlight on and sounder on	S/N mic	>60dB (A)
VAR4 Backlight on and sounder on	Frequency response (input to output)	
Backlight on and sounder on	Current Consumption	
Backlight off and sounder off	VAR4	
VAR12 Backlight on and sounder on	Backlight on and sounder on	400mA @ 24V DC supply
Backlight on and sounder on	Backlight off and sounder off	
Backlight off and sounder off	VAR12	
VAR20 Backlight on and sounder on	Backlight on and sounder on	1.1A @ 24V DC supply
Backlight on and sounder on	Backlight off and sounder off	1A @ 24V DC supply
	VAR20	
Backlight off and sounder off	Backlight on and sounder on	1.6A @ 24V DC supply
	Backlight off and sounder off	

Dimensions and Weight VAR4 VAR12 and VAR20 **Environmental**



This equipment is designed and manufactured to conform to the following EC standards:

EMC EN 55103-1 Environment E1, EN 55103-2 Environment E5

Safety EN 60065

Failure to use the equipment in the manner described in the product literature will invalidate the warranty.

A 'Declaration of Conformity' statement to the above standards, and a list of auxiliary equipment used for compliance verification, is available on request.

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