



# JK DI-Boxes User Guide

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Named after company founder and chief engineer, George 'Jiri' Krampera, the JK Series of DI Boxes and Audio Tools retain KV2's philosophy of the best possible signal path from source to speaker. The JK Series consists of the JK1 Single Channel DI, JK2 Stereo DI, JKA Single Channel Acoustic DI with Resonance Notch Filter and the JKP Single Channel Passive DI and Mic Splitter. Also included in the range is the JKT Tone Generator, a useful solution-provider audio tool that will assist every engineer in the tuning and checking of systems and components.

KV2's JK series represents the pinnacle in DI technology, by offering a higher headroom and lower output impedance, than any other DI on the market. This simply means the JK Series can deliver crystal clear, distortion free audio from the hottest sources, without a hint of signal degradation over greater distance. KV2 has optimized the use of phantom power with a special switching power supply on the JK Series, to enable an impressive 20 volts of peak power on the internal rails. This allows the JK Series to deliver 50 Ohms on the XLR output giving true line driver capability delivering greater audio integrity and the ability to send high quality signal four times the distance of it's nearest competitor.

All JK Series DI boxes are hand built in the Czech Republic utilizing high quality components and transformers. Full transformer balancing ensures the highest possible signal integrity without interference from RF or ground loops. The heavy-duty steel enclosure provides maximum protection for the electronics and further shielding against external interference. KV2 stands by the build quality of these units with a full 5-year warranty.

#### **JK1 - Active DI BOX - Line Driver**

The JK1 features two 1/4" jack inputs with mix or parallel function with a variable low cut filter and 15dB pad. Phase Shift and Ground Lift switches are also available. The JK1 is ideal for connection of single keyboards, guitars or instrument amplifier output conditioning or combining two inputs via the mix function.

#### **JK2 - Stereo DI BOX - Line Driver**

The JK2 features two 1/4" jack inputs with parallel monitor outputs as well as RCA inputs. The JK2 has two completely separate channels and can be used with two different instruments or stereo instruments. The JK2 features a variable Pad, Phase Shift and ground lift.

#### **JKA - Acoustic DI BOX - Line Driver**

The JKA is a dedicated DI for acoustic instruments. The JKA features a high-impedance 1/4" jack input capable of receiving signal from all types of pick-ups. A +10dB gain boost is available for low-level instruments. The JKA also features a tunable notch filter for eliminating the resonant frequency in an acoustic instrument, reducing feedback issues.

#### **JKP - Passive DI BOX - Transformer Balanced**

Serves as a universal passive DI box with low output impedance. The JKP features one XLR input and two 1/4" jack inputs in parallel. The JKP is dedicated for multiple instruments connection such as keyboards, guitars or instrument amplifiers output conditioning. The JKP also features phantom power supply transmission for condenser microphone connection and output signal conditioning.

#### **JKT - Tone Generator**

The JKT is the perfect tool for checking and tuning PA systems along with various pieces of equipment. Phantom powered it has two XLR Outputs and 1/4" Jack Out. The JKT delivers a full range of tones from 20Hz through to 30kHz, as well as both White Noise and Pink Noise.



JK1, ACTIVE DI BOX  
Product number:  
KVV 987 205

## JK1 - Active DI BOX - Line Driver

The JK1 features two 1/4" jack inputs with mix or parallel function with a variable low cut filter and 15dB pad. Phase shift and ground lift switches are also available. The JK1 is ideal for connection of single keyboards, guitars and instrument amplifier output conditioning or combining two inputs via the mix function.

### 1. Phantom Power Supply

For ease of use, maximum headroom and low noise the JK1 is powered by phantom power from the mixing console. A green LED indicates the presence of phantom power. Simply switch on phantom power on your console and you are good to go.

### 2. Input Selection Switch

The JK1 features two asymmetrical inputs with 1/4" jack connectors. These inputs can be set as a parallel (input is present on thru), mixed together (inputs placed into the input and thru are mixed together) or parallel with -15dB attenuation on input.

### 3. Low Cut Switch

Selects the high pass filter frequency point between 160 and 80Hz. Ideal for eliminating unwanted bass rumble from instruments.

### 4. Low Impedance Output

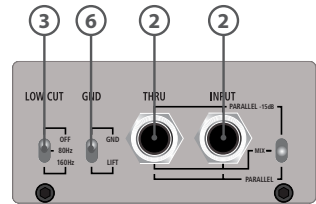
The main symmetrical LINE OUT output has an impedance of 50Ω and it is intended for connection to a mixing desk. The output is separated galvanically from the input.

### 5. PHASE Switch Selector

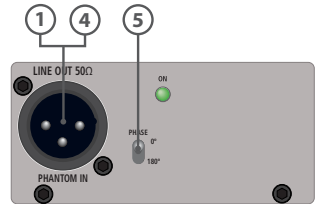
Selects between 0° and 180° for LINE OUT output. This switches the XLR pin-2 and pin-3 to interface with older equipment. Also can be used when the instrument is being reproduced by the DI and microphone to avoid cancellation.

### 6. GND Ground Switch Selector

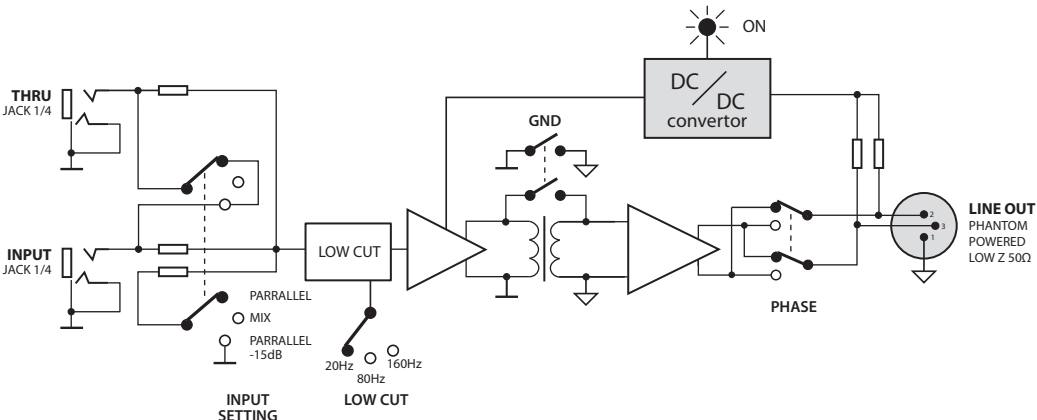
This ground-lift switch breaks the ground between the input & the output to eliminate hum and noise caused by ground loops. The GND position - the grounds for the input and output are interconnected ideal if the signal source is not grounded. The LIFT position - the grounds for the input and the output are disconnected. It is used if the signal source is grounded and you are experiencing ground loop problems.



JK1 - FRONT PANEL



JK1 - REAR PANEL



JK1 Block diagram

## JK1 - SPECIFICATIONS

### System Acoustic Performance

-1dB Response	20Hz + 100kHz
Dynamic Range	>130dB
Total Harmonic Distortion	<0.002%

### Signal Input

Input Channels	2x 1/4" Jack
Input Impedance	1MΩ / 5KΩ
Max. Input voltage	5V / 20V peak

### Signal Output

Output channels	XLR (line)
Output Impedance	50Ω

### Features

Gain	0 / -15dB
Phase	0° / 180°
High Pass Filter	20, 80, 160Hz
Indicators	Power-ON LED
Ground Mode	GND / Lift

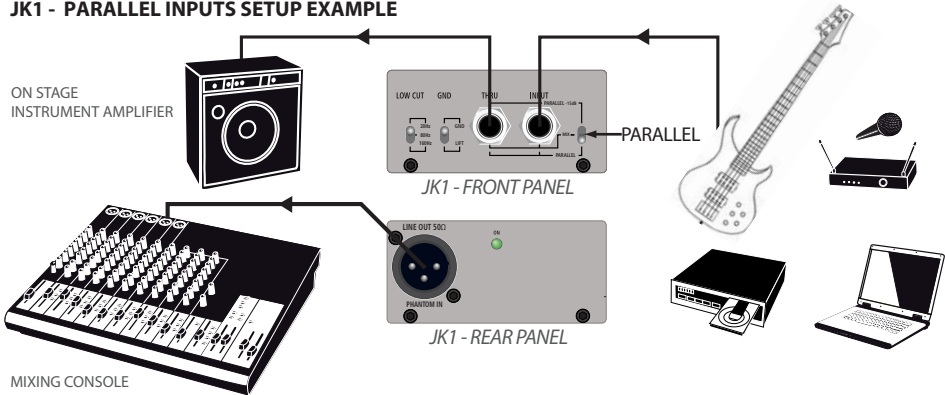
### Power

Phantom Power	48+56V / 8mA
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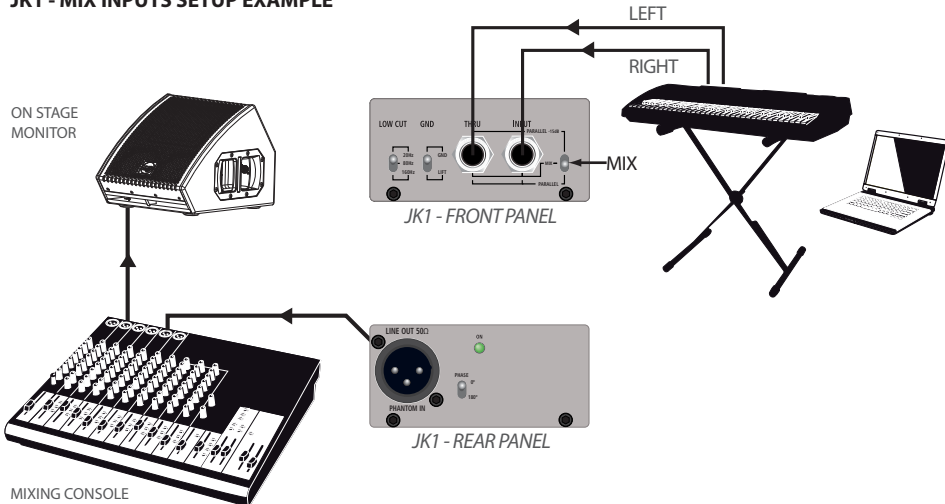
### Physical Dimensions

Height	40mm (1.57")
Width	80mm (3.15")
Depth	131mm (5.16")
Weight	610g (1.34lbs)

## JK1 - PARALLEL INPUTS SETUP EXAMPLE



## JK1 - MIX INPUTS SETUP EXAMPLE





JK2, STEREO DI BOX  
Product number:  
KVV 987 217

## JK2 - Stereo DI BOX - Line Driver

The JK2 features two 1/4" jack inputs with parallel monitor outputs as well as RCA inputs. The JK2 has two completely separate channels and can be used with two different instruments or stereo instruments. The JK2 features a variable pad, phase shift and ground lift.

### 1. Phantom Power Supply

For ease of use, maximum headroom and low noise the JK2 is powered by phantom power from the mixing console. A green LED indicates the presence of phantom power. Simply switch on phantom power on your console and you are good to go. The JK2 can be powered to channel A, channel B or both outputs, which provides best results.

### 2. Multiple Inputs

Each channel features two paralleled inputs (A, B) each equipped with 1/4" jack connectors and stereo RCA inputs on the rear of the unit.

### 3. GAIN Switch

Using the GAIN switch selector the input sensitivity of the JK2 can be adapted at three levels: 0dB, -12dB, -24dB, so very high-level inputs can be suitably reduced for clear, distortion-free reproduction.

### 4. XLR 50ohm Outputs

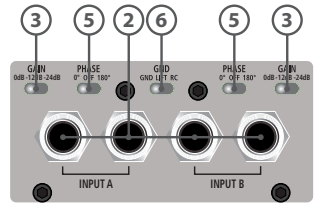
The JK2 includes two LINE OUT outputs with XLR connectors. Outputs work with an impedance of 50Ω and it is intended for connection to a mixing desk. The outputs are separated galvanically from the input.

### 5. PHASE Switch Selector

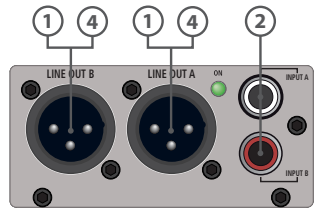
Selects between 0° and 180° for LINE OUT output. This switches the XLR pin-2 and pin-3 to interface with older equipment. Also can be used when the instrument is being reproduced by the DI and microphone to avoid cancellation.

### 6. GND Ground Switch Selector

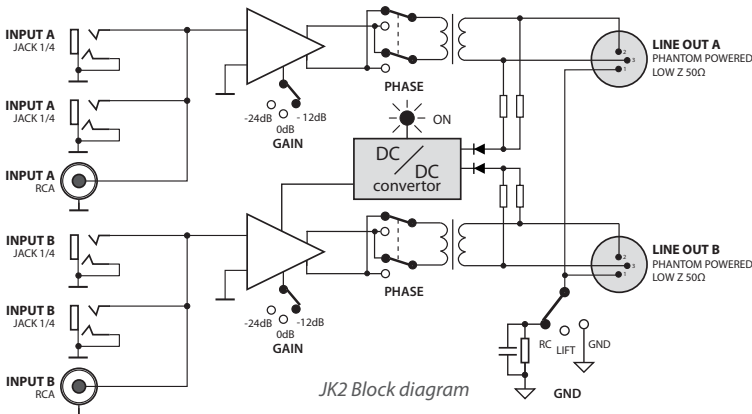
This ground-lift switch breaks the ground between the input & the output to eliminate hum and noise caused by ground loops. The GND position - the grounds for the input and output are interconnected ideal if the signal source is not grounded. The LIFT position - the grounds for the input and the output are disconnected. It is used if the signal source is grounded and you are experiencing ground loop problems. The RC position - the grounds for the input and the output are interconnected via a parallel RC combination. It is used to suppress static disturbance.



JK2 - FRONT PANEL



JK2 - REAR PANEL



JK2 Block diagram

## JK2 - SPECIFICATIONS

### System Acoustic Performance

-1dB Response	10Hz + 40kHz
Dynamic Range	>120dB
Total Harmonic Distortion	<0.005%

### Signal Input

Input Channels	2x 1/4" Jack + 2x RCA
Input Impedance	2x 1MΩ / 10KΩ
Max. Input voltage	1V / 5V / 20V peak

### Signal Output

Output channels	2x XLR, 2x 1/4" Jack THRU
Output Impedance	50Ω

### Features

Gain Pad	0 / -12 / -24dB
Phase	0° / 180°
Indicators	Power-ON LED
Ground Mode	GND / Lift / RC

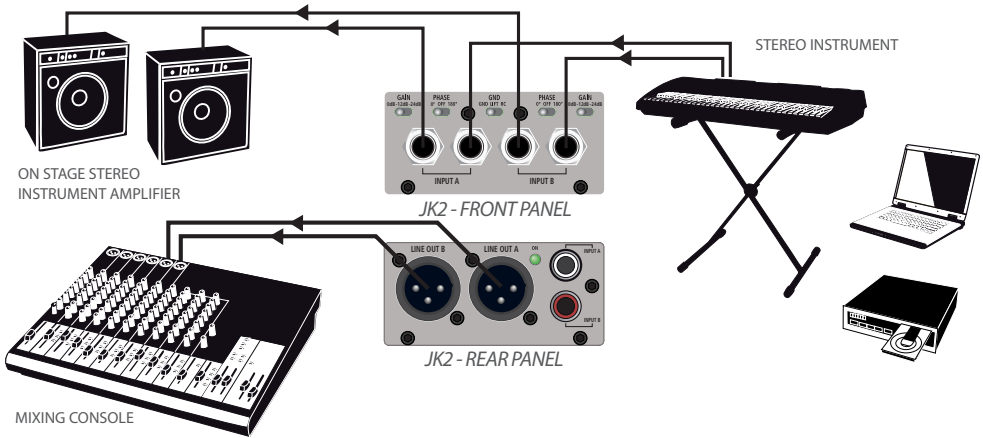
### Power

Phantom Power	48+56V / 8mA
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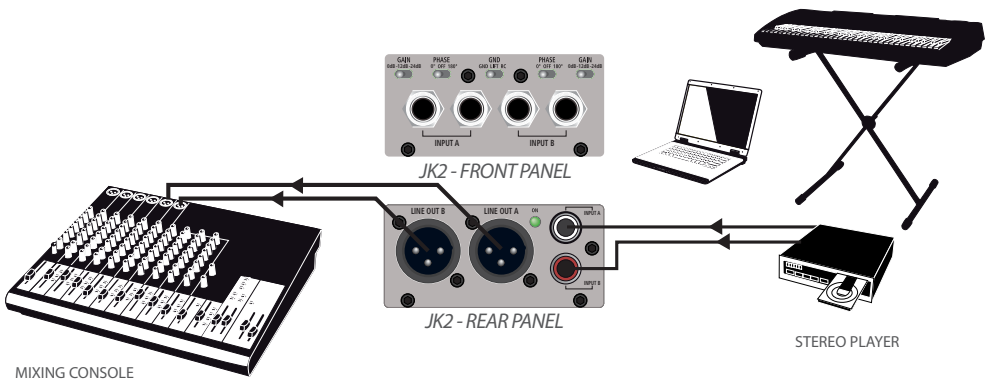
### Physical Dimensions

Height	40mm (1.57")
Width	80mm (3.15")
Depth	131mm (5.16")
Weight	630g (1.39lbs)

## JK2 - STEREO INSTRUMENT SETUP EXAMPLE



## JK2 - STEREO PLAYER SETUP EXAMPLE





JKA, ACOUSTIC DI BOX  
Product number:  
KVV 987 204

## JKA - Acoustic DI BOX - Line Driver

The JKA is a dedicated DI for acoustic instruments. The JKA features a high-impedance 1/4" jack input capable of receiving signal from all types of pick-ups. A +10dB gain boost is available for low-level instruments. The JKA also features a tunable notch filter for eliminating the resonant frequency in an acoustic instrument, reducing feedback issues.

### 1. Phantom Power Supply

For ease of use, maximum headroom and low noise the, JK1 is powered by phantom power from the mixing console. A green LED indicates the presence of phantom power. Simply switch on phantom power on your console and you are good to go.

### 2. High Impedance Input

The JKA includes one 1/4" high impedance jack input. It is adapted to connect the pick-up of acoustic instruments that require high load impedance (e.g. Piezo electric pick-ups). By using the GAIN selector switch, the amplification of the JKA can be increased by +10dB.

### 3. Line Out XLR Output

The main symmetrical LINE OUT output works with an impedance of 50Ω and it is intended for connection to a mixing desk. The output is not separated galvanically from the input.

### 4. Monitor Out 1/4" Jack Output

The adjacent symmetrical MONITOR OUT 1/4" jack output has an impedance of 100Ω, the same level as LINE OUT and it is separated from the main output using a transformer. When using a mono jack the relevant input is switched automatically to the asymmetrical mode. It can be used for monitoring on the stage.

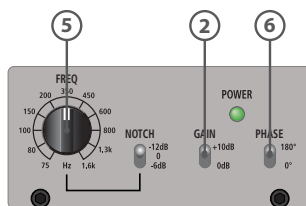
### 5. Tunable NOTCH Filter

To eliminate the dominant self-resonance, (feedback) of any acoustic instrument, the JKA is equipped with a phase switch selector and a tunable NOTCH filter with a switchable attenuation level of -6dB and -12dB. Recommended method of adjustment for the NOTCH filter:

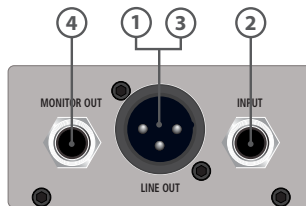
- Increase the amplification until the acoustic instrument feeds back
- Suppress the acoustic feedback at low frequencies using the PHASE switch
- Increase the amplification until the acoustic instrument feeds back again, put the NOTCH switch selector to the -6dB position and eliminate the feedback by use of the potentiometer. If the acoustic feedback continues to happen at the same frequency put the NOTCH switch selector in the -12dB position.

### 6. PHASE Switch Selector

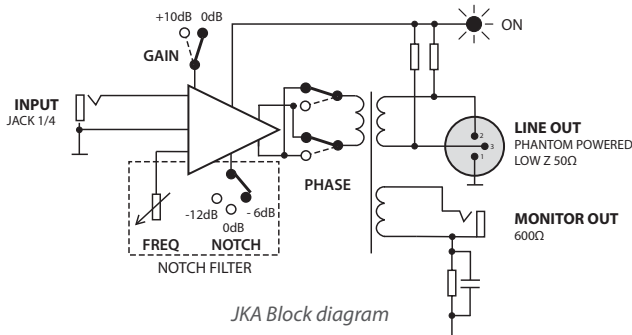
Selects between 0° and 180° for LINE OUT output. This switches the XLR pin-2 and pin-3 to interface with older equipment. Also can be used when the instrument is being reproduced by the DI and microphone to avoid cancellation.



JKA - FRONT PANEL



JKA - REAR PANEL



JKA Block diagram

## JKA - SPECIFICATIONS

### System Acoustic Performance

-1dB Response	10Hz ÷ 40kHz
Dynamic Range	>130dB
Total Harmonic Distortion	<0.03%

### Signal Input

Input Channels	1/4" Jack
Input Impedance	1MΩ
Max. Input Voltage	2,5V / 7V peak

### Signal Output

Output channels	XLR (line) , 1/4" Jack
Output Impedance	50Ω(line) / 600Ω

### Features

Gain	0/ +10dB
Phase	0° / 180°
Indicators	Power-ON LED
Notch Filter	75 ÷ 1650Hz (0, -6, -12dB)

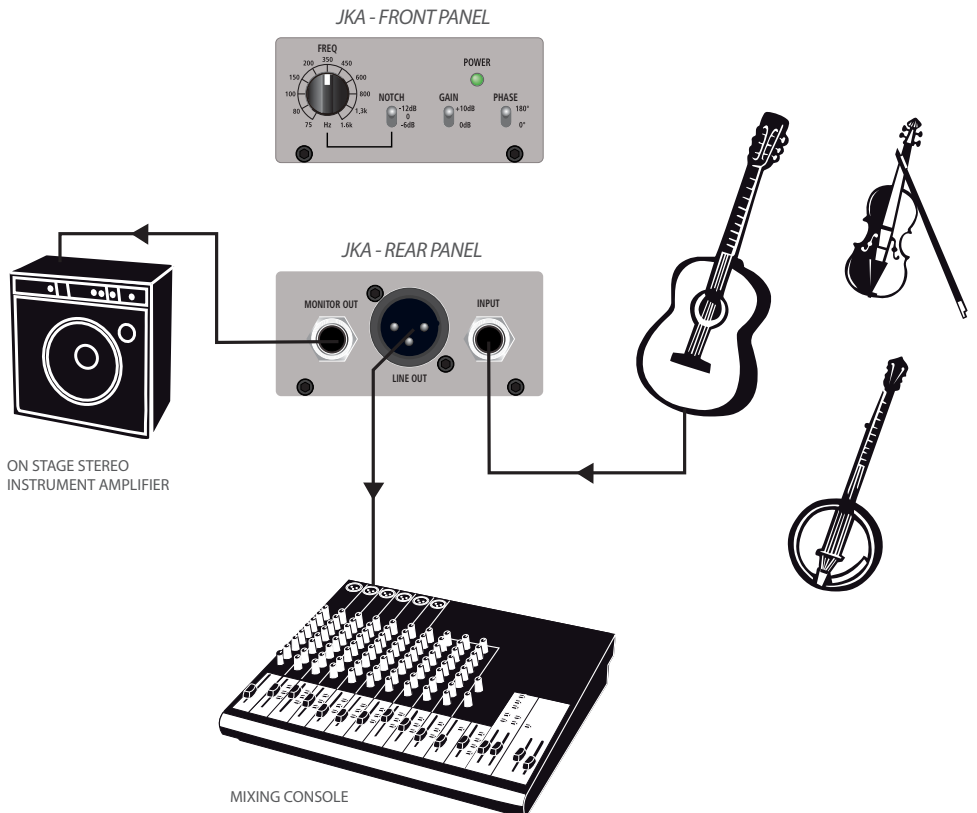
### Power

Phantom Power	48+56V / 8mA
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### Physical Dimensions

Height	40mm (1.57")
Width	80mm (3.15")
Depth	131mm (5.16")
Weight	600g (1.32lbs)

## JKA - ACOUSTIC INSTRUMENT SETUP EXAMPLE





JKP, PASSIVE DI BOX  
Product number:  
KVV 987 201

## JKP - Passive DI BOX - Transformer Balanced

The JKP is a universal passive DI box with low output impedance. The JKP features one XLR input and two 1/4" jack inputs in parallel. The JKP is dedicated for multiple instruments connection such as keyboards, guitars or instrument amplifiers output conditioning. The JKP also features phantom power supply transmission for condenser microphone connection and output signal conditioning.

### 1. Phantom Power Through

The JKP DOES NOT REQUIRE PHANTOM POWER TO OPERATE. When using a condenser microphone that requires a phantom power from the mixing desk, turn the PHANTOM THROUGH switch selector to the ON position and the RATIO switch selector to the 1:4 position, (so that both switch selectors are in the top position). In position 1:2, no phantom power will be passed through the unit to the microphone.

### 2. Monitor and Line Outputs

The symmetrical LINE OUT output works with an impedance of 100Ω and with a ratio of 1:2 or 1:4. The adjacent MONITOR OUT output has an output impedance of 600Ω and a level 6dB higher than the LINE OUT output. The ratio of the monitor output is half that of the line output. (1:2 LINE = 1:1 MONITOR OUTPUT)

### 3. XLR and Jack Inputs

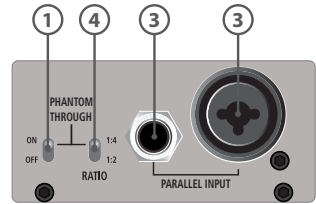
The JKP features two inputs with the XLR and 1/4" jack connector connected in parallel. Both outputs are connected symmetrically. When using a mono jack, the relevant input is switched automatically into the asymmetrical mode. To split a microphone signal to different sources simply plug it into the XLR input. The JKP has the ability to send high quality microphone signal long distances (Up to 300m).

### 4. RATIO Switch Selector 1:2 / 1:4

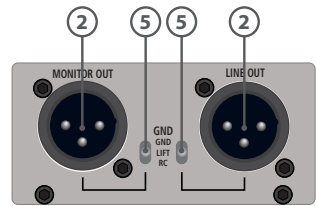
This is intended for changing the voltage and impedance ratio. For example, a condenser microphone's impedance can be decreased 16 times (1:4 position) which will improve the sound quality and capability of the microphone to drive long cables. The 1:2 position can also be used to improve the sound quality on dynamic microphones. Both inputs can be disconnected from the ground. The 1:4 ratio is for use with high impedance sources and the 1:2 ratio is for lower impedance sources.

### 5. GND Ground Switch Selectors

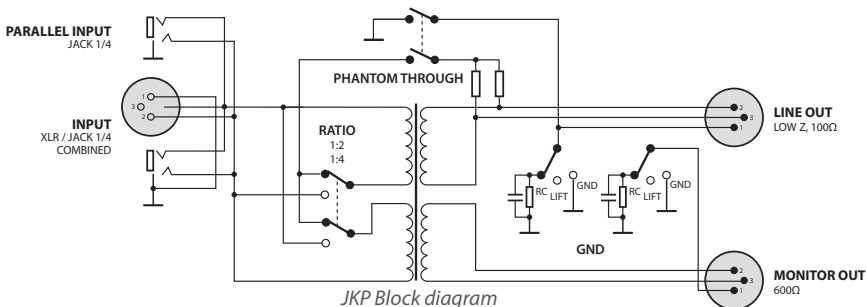
This ground-lift switch breaks the ground between the input & the output to eliminate hum and noise caused by ground loops. The GND position - the grounds for the input and output are interconnected. It is used if the signal source is not grounded. The LIFT position - the grounds for the input and the output are disconnected. It is used if the signal source is grounded. Interruption of the ground loop. The RC position - the grounds for the input and the output are interconnected via a parallel RC combination. It is used to suppress static disturbance.



JKP - FRONT PANEL



JKP - REAR PANEL



JKP Block diagram

## JKP - SPECIFICATIONS

System Acoustic Performance	
-1dB Response	20Hz ± 30kHz
Total Harmonic Distortion	<0.0005%

Signal Input	
Input Channels	1/4" Jack, XLR// 1/4" Jack
Input Impedance	1MΩ

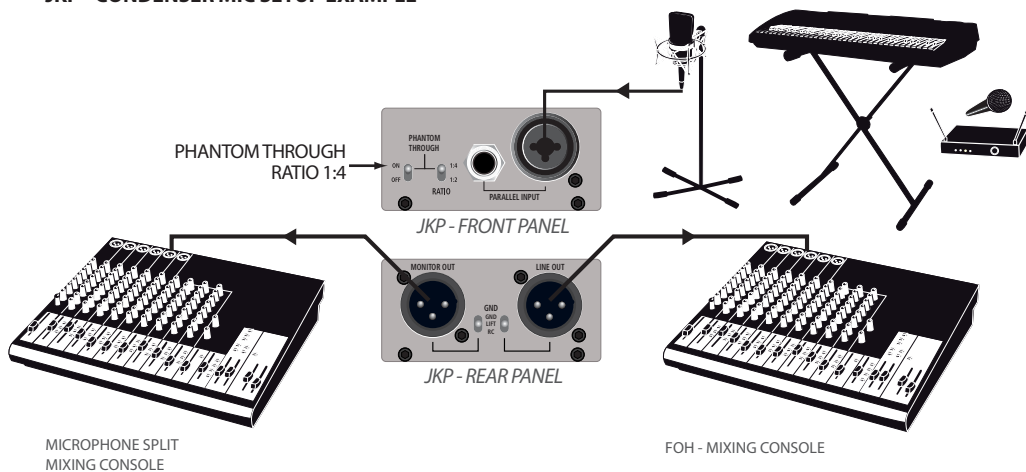
Signal Output	
Output channels	XLR (line) , XLR (monitor)
Output Impedance	100Ω (line) / 600Ω (mon.)

Features	
Gain	Ration 1:2 / 1:4
Ground Mode	GND, Lift, RC

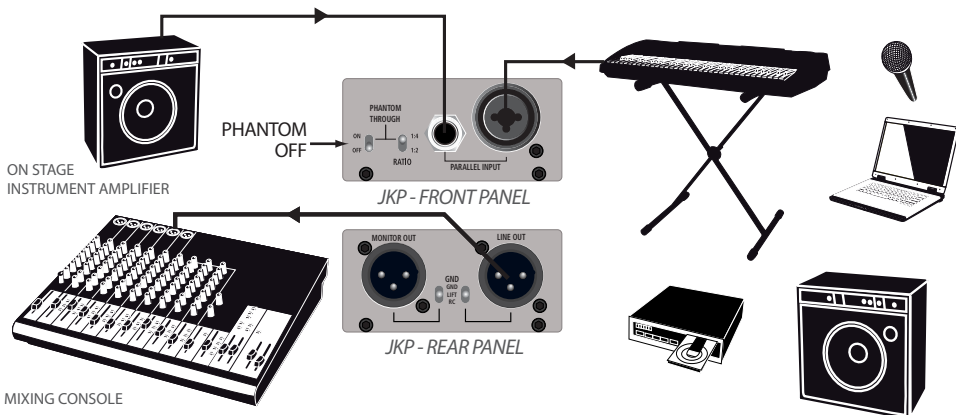
Power	
Phantom Power	Phantom through

Physical Dimensions	
Height	40mm (1.57")
Width	80mm (3.15")
Depth	131mm (5.16")
Weight	590g (1.3lbs)

## JKP - CONDENSER MIC SETUP EXAMPLE



## JK1 - PARALLEL INPUTS SETUP EXAMPLE





**JKT, TONE GENERATOR**  
 Product number:  
 KVV 987 272

## JKT - Tone Generator

The JKT is the perfect tool for checking and tuning PA systems along with various pieces of equipment. Phantom powered it has two XLR Outputs and 1/4" Jack Out. The JKT delivers a full range of tones from 20Hz through to 30kHz, as well as both White Noise and Pink Noise.

### 1. Phantom Power Supply

For ease of use, the JKT is powered by phantom power from the mixing console. Phantom power supply presence is indicated by a single green LED.

### 2. Multiple Outputs

The symmetrical LINE OUT output works with an impedance of 50Ω, and is intended to be connected to a mixing console or any phantom power source device. The adjacent MONITOR OUT output has an output impedance of 600Ω and paralleled 1/4" jack connector output.

### 3. Generator Selector

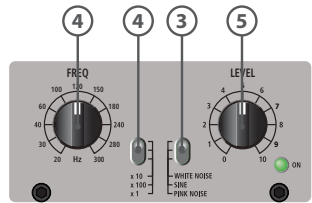
The JKT features a sine wave, tone generator with a frequency range from 20Hz to 30kHz, pink and white noise generator.

### 4. Frequency Selector

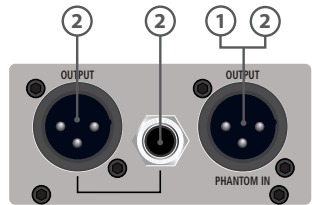
Sets the frequency range of the continuous frequency selector of the sine wave generator in ranges (20Hz ÷ 300Hz), (200Hz ÷ 3kHz) and (2kHz ÷ 30kHz).

### 5. Output Level

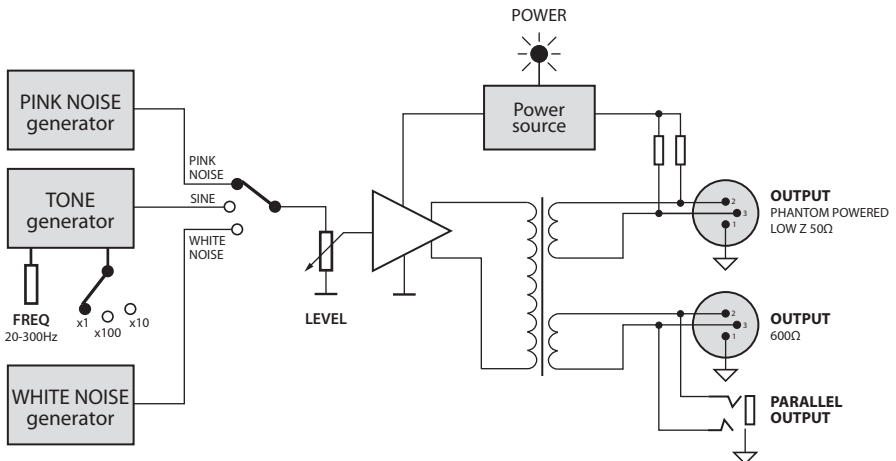
Sets the output level of selectable generators.



JKT - FRONT PANEL



JKT - REAR PANEL



JKT Block diagram

JKT

Features

## JKT - SPECIFICATIONS

Signal Output	
Output channels	Jack 1/4", 2x XLR
Output Impedance	50Ω (line) / 600Ω (mon.)

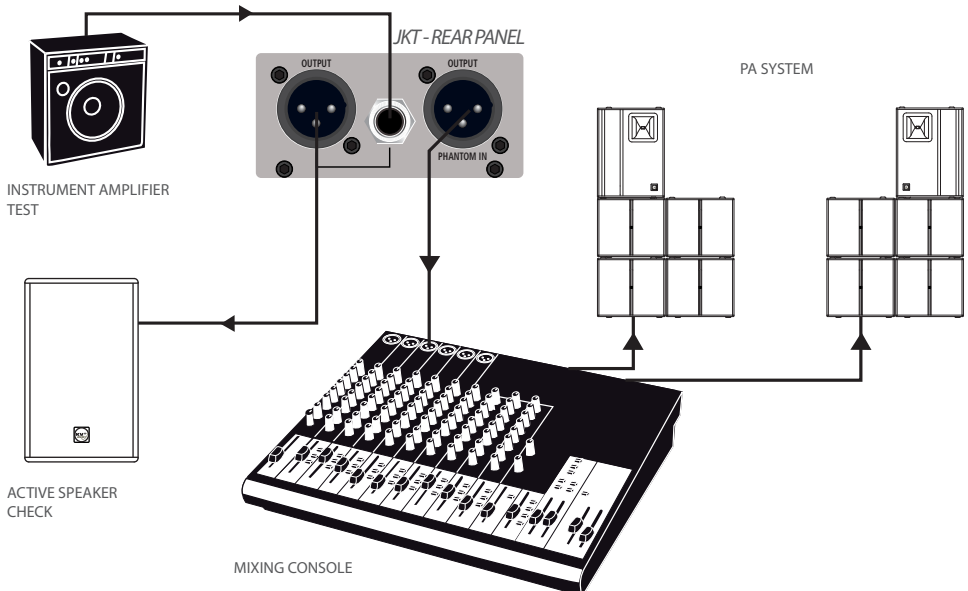
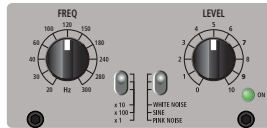
Features	
Output Level control	$-\infty \div 0$ dB
Indicators	Power-ON LED
Tone generator	20Hz $\div$ 30kHz
White noise generator	YES
Pink noise generator	YES

Power	
Phantom Power	48-56V / 8mA

Physical Dimensions	
Height	40mm (1.57")
Width	80mm (3.15")
Depth	131mm (5.16")
Weight	630g (1.39lbs)

## JKT - TONE GENERATOR, PA TUNING & EQUIPMENT TESTING

JKT - FRONT PANEL



## **WARRANTY**

Your JK DI BOX is covered against defects in material and workmanship. Refer to your supplier for more details.

## **SERVICE**

In the unlikely event that your JK DI BOX develops a problem, it must be returned to an authorized distributor, service centre or shipped directly to our factory. Because of the complexity of the design all repairs must be attempted only by qualified technical personnel.

If the unit needs to be shipped back to the factory, it must be sent in its original carton. If improperly packed, the unit may be damaged. To obtain service, contact your nearest KV2 Audio Service Centre, Distributor or Dealer.



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