



BM A2-E8SHD+

8 Channel Digital Audio Monitor



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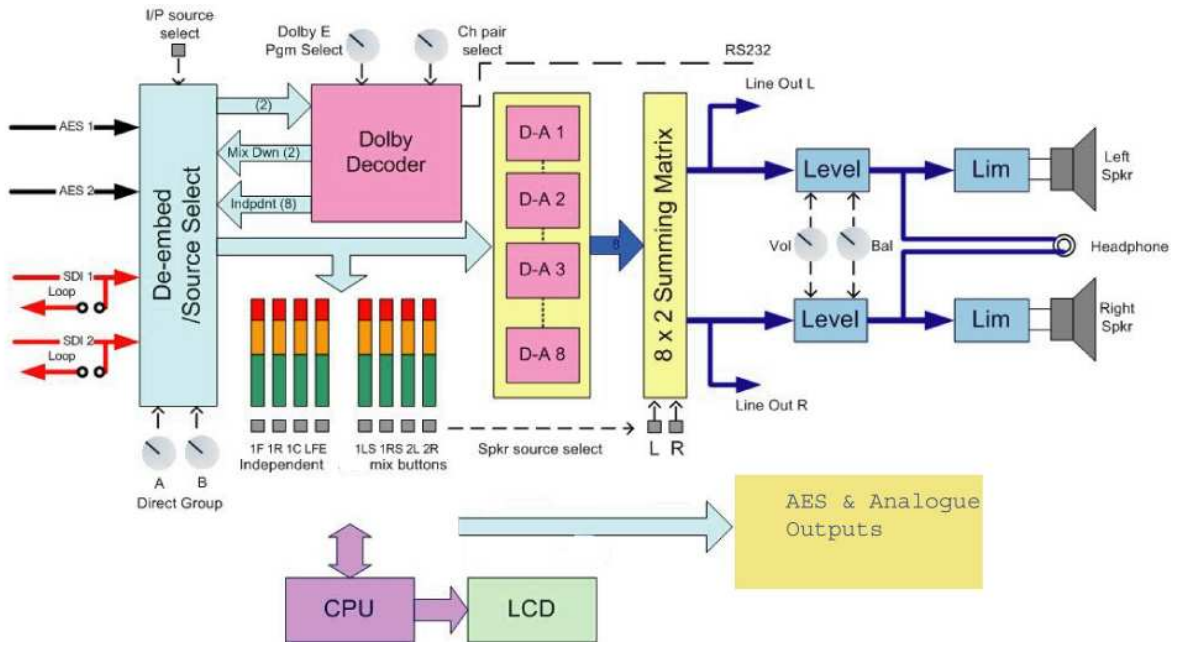
Introduction

The BM A2-E8SHD+ is a 2U high quality eight-channel audio monitor with an integral Dolby® decoder. The unit accepts audio from either one of two AES inputs or one of two SDI inputs and produces four pairs of AES and analogue outputs. The SDI inputs automatically detect SD or HD video and demultiplex 8 audio channels. Two active loop through outputs are available for the SDI inputs.



Stick-on scale graticules, which may be applied to the spaces between the front-panel bargraphs, are supplied with the machine.

The LCD display shows the status of the selected audio or Dolby program and can also be used to display phase information.



The headphone output is taken before the limiters and mutes the speakers when used. A soft mute is applied to the audio when any select switches are used to reduce glitches.

Eight high-resolution tri colour bar graphs are provided with user selectable ballistics and colour break points. Up to eight de-embedded or Dolby E decoded audio inputs can be selected individually or mixed and directed to each speaker.

Bargraph meters are arranged in two groups of four, the left hand group handles inputs 1 to 4 and the right hand group handles inputs 5 to 8. Each bargraph group can be configured for different meter types and scales and have different colours for level transition points.

The Dolby decoder decodes Dolby D or Dolby E from the AES inputs or from any group of the SDI embedded audio.

Dolby E is implemented using two operational modes; 'Independent' where all eight channels are available and Dolby Mix-Down or 'Program' mode where a selected mix of channels is available according to the encoding used. An example would be 5.1 +1 +1, where three 'programs' are available; the 5.1 mix down and the two additional programs, +1 and +1.

In Independent mode an 8 x 2 matrix allows any of the Dolby E decoded channels to be fed to either or both of the left or right analogue audio output channels. This special mix-down facility allows a stereo version of a complete Dolby E encoded signal to be heard for all programs.

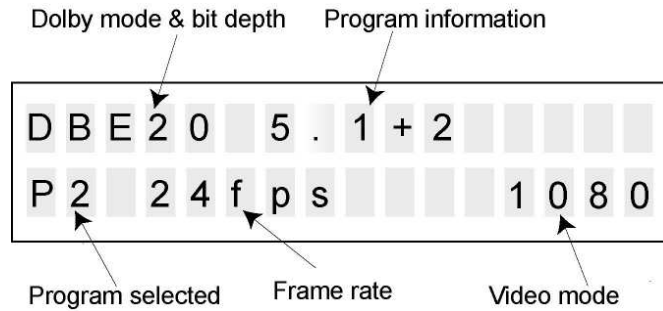
This is particularly helpful with Dolby E encoded signals where up to 8 audio signals of a surround sound + source can be heard using individual audio elements or a complete aural impression by summing some or all of the channels. The eight audio channels selected are also output at the rear of the unit as four pairs of AES signals on BNC connectors and four pairs of differential analogue signals. The analogue outputs can be at a fixed level or slaved to the front panel volume control.

Main features

- Balanced (XLR) and unbalanced (BNC) digital audio (AES) inputs
- Two auto-sensing SD/HD inputs with loop through
- Dolby® D or Dolby® E decoder
- Dolby mix-down program select switch
- Custom channel mix-downs for de-embedded multiple audio and Dolby E independent mode
- Two groups of four tri-colour bargraphs with different meter types/ballistics, colour transition points, peak-hold and brightness settings for each group
- Analogue line output and 8 selected audio outputs
- Six different meter types: AES/EBU, Nordic, DIN, VU, Extended VU and BBC
- LCD status/phase display
- Headphone connector with speaker mute
- RS232 port for Dolby decoder remote control

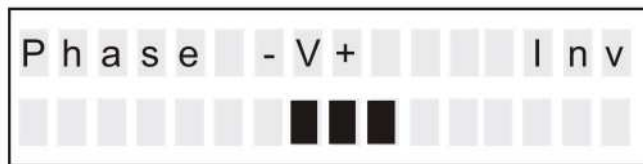
Typical LCD displays

Dolby® status



The LCD display will show general status information related to the currently selected input such as the source selected and line standard. If a Dolby input is selected and the Dolby decoder is enabled, further Dolby information will be shown as illustrated above.

Phase display



The bar graph shows the phase relationship of two selected inputs. See the Operation chapter for more information.

Bargraph scales

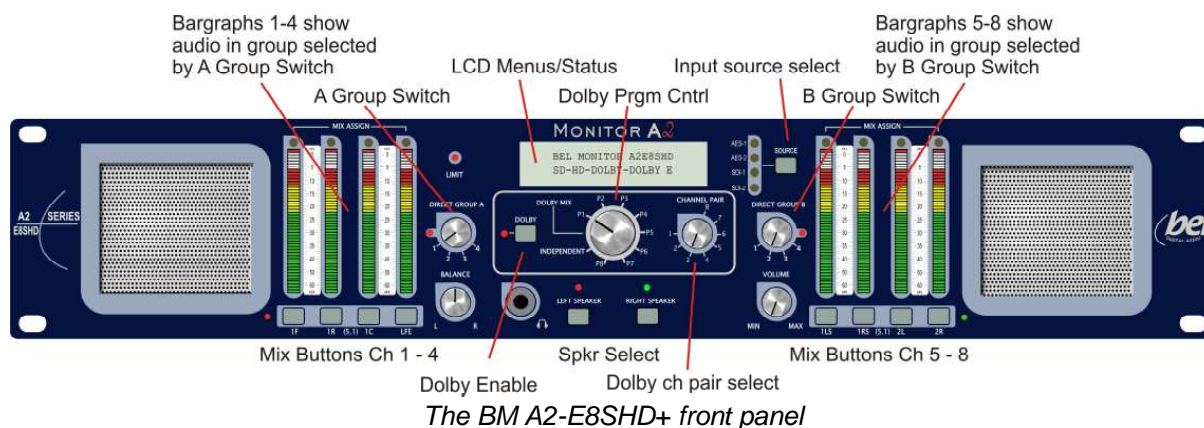
The following meter types may be selected using internal switches.

Scale type	Range	Attack	Fallback
AES/EBU:	60dB (0 to -60dB)	1ms	1.5Sec per 20dB decay
DIN PPM:	55dB (+5 to -50dB)	10mSec	1.5Sec per 20dB decay
VU:	23dB (+3 to -20dB)	300mSec	300mSec
VU EXT:	80dB (+20 to -60dB)	300mSec	300mSec
BBC PPM:	+12 to -12dB - mark 7 to 1	10mSec	2.85Sec - mark 7 to 1
NORDIC:	54dB (+12 to -42dB)	5mSec	1.7Sec per 20dB decay

BM A2-E8SHD+ meter types

Note: Refer to the Installation chapter for bargraph settings and graticule/scale fitting instructions.

Operation



Selecting sources

The input source select switch determines which source (AES1, AES2, SDI 1 or SDI 2) is available to the Dolby decoder, speaker selectors and bargraphs. Repeatedly press the source select button until the required LED is illuminated. Two source settings are retained over power down, one for Dolby mode and one for direct mode.

Source LEDs are lit red until a valid source is connected when the corresponding LED will turn green.

AES input mode

In the AES input mode the mix buttons are inoperative and the left speaker is selected as left input and right speaker the right input. The input level is shown on the left two bargraphs.

Note: AES inputs can be at 48kHz or 44.1kHz sampling rate.

SDI input mode

The unit automatically detects SD or HD video and shows the video mode on the LCD (525,625,720 or 1080).

Two groups will be demuxed to give 8 audio signals. The groups are selected using the A and B group select switches.

Note: The LCD display will indicate if a Dolby signal is present, but the signal will not be decoded unless Dolby mode is active.

The left 4 bar graphs show the audio in the group selected by the A group switch. The right 4 bar graphs show the audio in the group selected by the B group switch.

Dolby mode

To enable the Dolby decoder, press the Dolby button until the Dolby light is illuminated.

The unit will decode Dolby D and Dolby E from the AES inputs or embedded audio carried in an SD or HD SDI signal.

Dolby E encoding allows several separate 'programs' or groups of audio to be carried in the same data stream. The program switch is provided to allow the individual programs to be selected and their channels directed to bargraphs.

See the section entitled, **Using the program switch** for more information about the Dolby E monitoring features available.

Decoding AES inputs

Rotate the Dolby program mix switch to the independent position. The unit will automatically detect and decode the Dolby signals and show up to 8 audio signals on the bargraphs. The type of Dolby encoding will be shown on the display.

Decoding SDI inputs

Dolby E or Dolby D embedded in a pair of audio signals in an SDI stream can be decoded and up to eight audio signals can be shown on the bargraphs. The type of Dolby encoding will be shown on the display.

Select the channel pair carrying the Dolby encoded signal using the Dolby group select rotary switch. So for example if the Dolby signal was encoded in the second pair of audio signals in group 1 this corresponds to channels 3/4 and is selected by rotating the Dolby group select switch to position 2.

Using the program switch

Dolby E encoding allows several separate 'programs' or groups of audio to be carried in the same data stream. The program switch allows individual mix-downs and channels within a Dolby E program to be monitored. Available mix downs are selected with the Program Switch as shown in the switch position table in Appendix A.

The selected signal is sent to the left and right speakers and the first two bargraphs (left most looking at the front of the unit).

The following example may help to explain the facilities provided. Consider the situation where a studio wants to convey a surround sound music signal together with two technical

commentaries for transmitter operators. For the surround sound a 5.1 configuration might be ideal since it has 5 audio channels and one LF effects channel as shown in Appendix A. However, the two independent engineering feeds (two different languages and not for transmission) can be encoded into two unused channels to give a configuration of 5.1+1+1.

The Dolby mix-down

The operator at the transmitter might want to listen to the music but not necessarily in full surround sound. Fortunately, the Dolby decoder has an auxiliary output which carries a mix-down. This is a stereo signal that contains a mixture of, in this case, all 6 music signals with any phasing or special effect applied. The Dolby decoder 'knows' that the audio is encoded as 5.1+1+1. In order to listen to the engineering feeds it must be possible to direct the decoder to select the 5.1, +1 or +1 signals and output the appropriate mix-down to the auxiliary output. The three separately encoded audio 'programs' can be selected using the Program Switch. Clearly the mix-down of the +1 signals will be a simple mono signal.

When the BM A2-E8SHD+ is in any of the P1 to P8 Program Select modes (or Dolby Down-Mix modes), the stereo audio available on the auxiliary output is sent to the left and right speakers and to bar graphs 1&2.

Refer to appendix A for a list of the available Dolby programs and channels for specific Dolby E Program Sequences.

Note: The speaker select/mix facility is defeated in Program Select or Dolby Down-Mix modes.

Independent mode

All of the Dolby E audio signals can be decoded and made available on their own (not mixed) by setting the Program Switch to the Independent position.

In the 5.1 +1 +1 example music might be presented on bar graphs 1 to 6 and the two engineering feeds on bars 7 and 8. It is then easy to select which of these to listen to by pressing the button under the appropriate bar graph. A mix down of some or all of the channels can be obtained by selecting several audio signals to be sent to each speaker.

Note: Independent mix-down does not apply all of the phasing effects of the Dolby mix-down modes.

Directing sources to speakers

Where more than two audio signals are present (i.e. Dolby E independent mode or de-embedded mode), it may be useful to direct and combine sources to selected speakers. To develop a mix-down of chosen sources for left or right speakers proceed as follows:

- **Left channel mix:** press the left speaker select button, **LS**, until the LED above the button shows **red**. Then press the button under the bar graph corresponding to the input audio signal required. The buttons toggle and if more than one button is

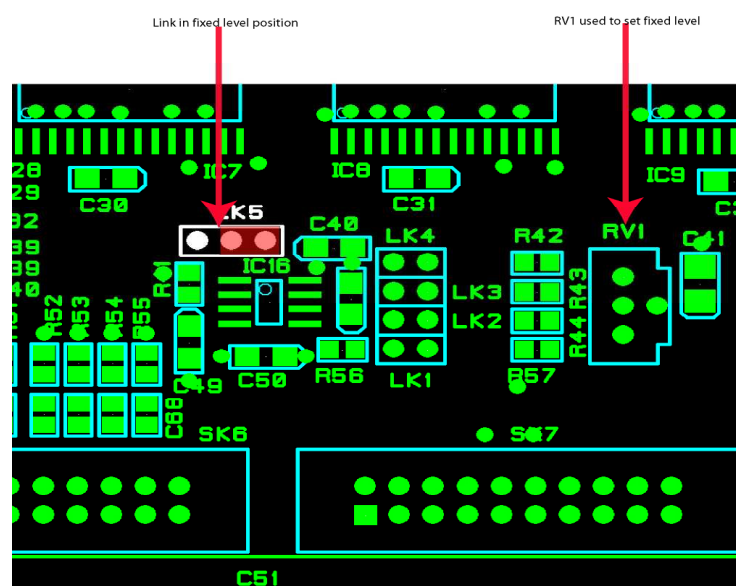
pressed the audio signals will be summed. The left speaker audio output level is automatically adjusted to compensate for the mixing process. The selected audio is indicated by the LED above the corresponding bar graph turning **red**.

- **Right channel mix:** press the right speaker select button, **RS**, until the LED above the button shows **green**. Then press the button under the bar graph corresponding to the input audio signal required. The buttons toggle and if more than one button is pressed the audio signals will be summed. The right speaker audio output level is automatically adjusted to compensate for the mixing process. The selected audio is indicated by the LED above the corresponding bar graph turning **green**.
- If an input is directed to both left and right speakers the indicating LED is illuminated in **amber**.

Note that the setting of the mix buttons is retained over power down. There are two sets of memories one for the Dolby mode and one for the independent mode. The appropriate set is automatically selected depending on the current mode. (Changed using the Dolby button)

Rear panel audio outputs

The BM A2-E8SHD+ provides digital and analogue audio outputs on the rear panel. Eight differential analogue on a 25 way 'D' type connector and four pairs of AES3 on BNC connectors are available. The audio carried on these is derived from the currently selected eight audio sources. In effect these audio outputs are a copy of the signals shown on the unit's bar graphs. They can thus be a copy of the AES inputs, the two currently demuxed SDI groups or the eight decoded Dolby signals. The level of the analogue outputs is adjustable in one of two ways as dictated by link LK5 on the PCB. In the position shown in the picture the analogue output level can be set using the control RV1 on the PCB this is factory set to be 0dB for an analogue bar graph level of 0dB. With the link in the other position the level of the analogue outputs will follow the setting of the main volume control. It is possible to mute the output from the unit's speakers by removing all the mix button selections.



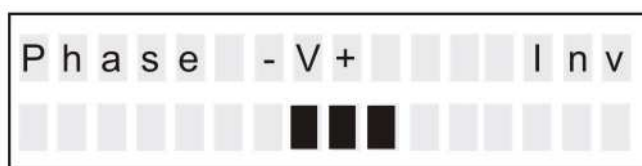
Using the LCD phase display

To enter the phase display mode ensure both LS and RS LED are extinguished. Then press and hold the button under the input signal required to be the phase reference.

Press and hold the input button to be the variable phase input.

The display will show the phase of the selected signals.

Phase display



The bar graph on the lower half of the display shows the phase shift between two selected inputs. It works best for none periodic signals such as music or noise. If the phase calculation detects a complete phase inversion the word **inv** is shown.

Release the buttons to return the display to the normal screen.

MetaData Display

The BM A2-E8SHD+ is capable of displaying comprehensive Dolby E and D metadata information. It is recommended that this section be read in conjunction with the Dolby Metadata guide issue 3. To enter the metadata display mode use the following sequence: -

1. Ensure that a valid Dolby encoded source is connected, selected and decoding correctly.
2. For Dolby E metadata select the program number required using the front panel rotary switch prior to entering the metadata display mode. The unit will default to program 1 if the independent position is active.
3. Press and hold the Dolby button for more than two seconds.

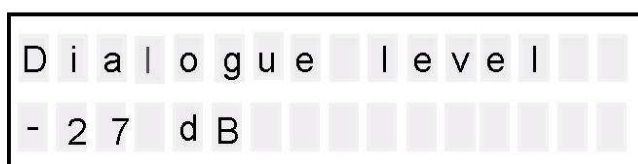
The BM A2-E8SHD+ will then enter the Dolby decode mode and will briefly show "metadata display" on the LCD. The display will index to the next available metadata each time the Dolby button is pressed. To exit the metadata display mode press any other button.

There are three routes through the metadata display depending on the source format

1. PCM. The display will show PCM and the exit on the next button press.
2. Dolby D. The display will show the Dolby Digital metadata.
3. Dolby E. The display will show the metadata for the currently selected program.

If parts of the metadata are not available a warning is shown and the missing metadata will not be displayed. (e.g. Audio production information not present, mix level and room type not shown).

Typical Metadata display



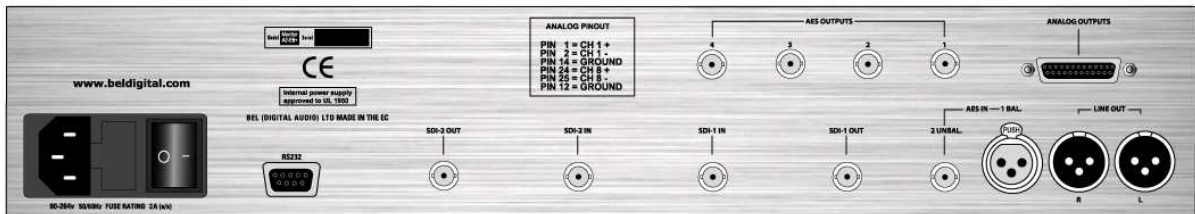
Note. The Dolby decoder card (CAT552) currently used in the BM A2-E8SHD+ does not carry all metadata. As these become available software upgrades will be announced.

Installation

The BM A2-E8SHD+ is designed to be installed in 19 inch bays on an equipment tray. Ventilation is by natural convection.

Connector I/O

The balanced AES digital audio input uses a balanced XLR connector and the unbalanced AES digital audio (SPDIF compatible) I/O uses BNC connectors. SDI use BNC connectors and the analogue monitor line outputs use balanced XLRs. The analogue outputs are provided on a 25 way 'D' connector. An RS232 connector is provided for remote programming of the Dolby decoder.



The BM A2-E8SHD+ rear view

RS232 Dolby interface connector pinout

Connector type: 9 way D female

Speed: 9600 bps

Format: 8 bit, no parity, 2 stop bits

Pin	Description
1	Not connected
2	Rx (from host)
3	Tx (to host)
4	Not connected
5	GND
6	Not connected
7	Not connected
8	Not connected
9	Not connected

Note: A standard modem lead can be used to interface to a PC.

Analogue audio outputs

Pin	Description
1	Aout 1+
2	Aout 1-
3	GND
4	Aout 2+
5	Aout 2-
6	GND
7	Aout 3+
8	Aout 3-
9	GND
10	Aout 4+
11	Aout 4-
12	GND
13	GND
14	GND
15	Aout 5+
16	Aout 5-
17	GND
18	Aout 6+
19	Aout 6-
20	GND
21	Aout 7+
22	Aout 7-
23	GND
24	Aout 8+
25	Aout 8-

Configuration

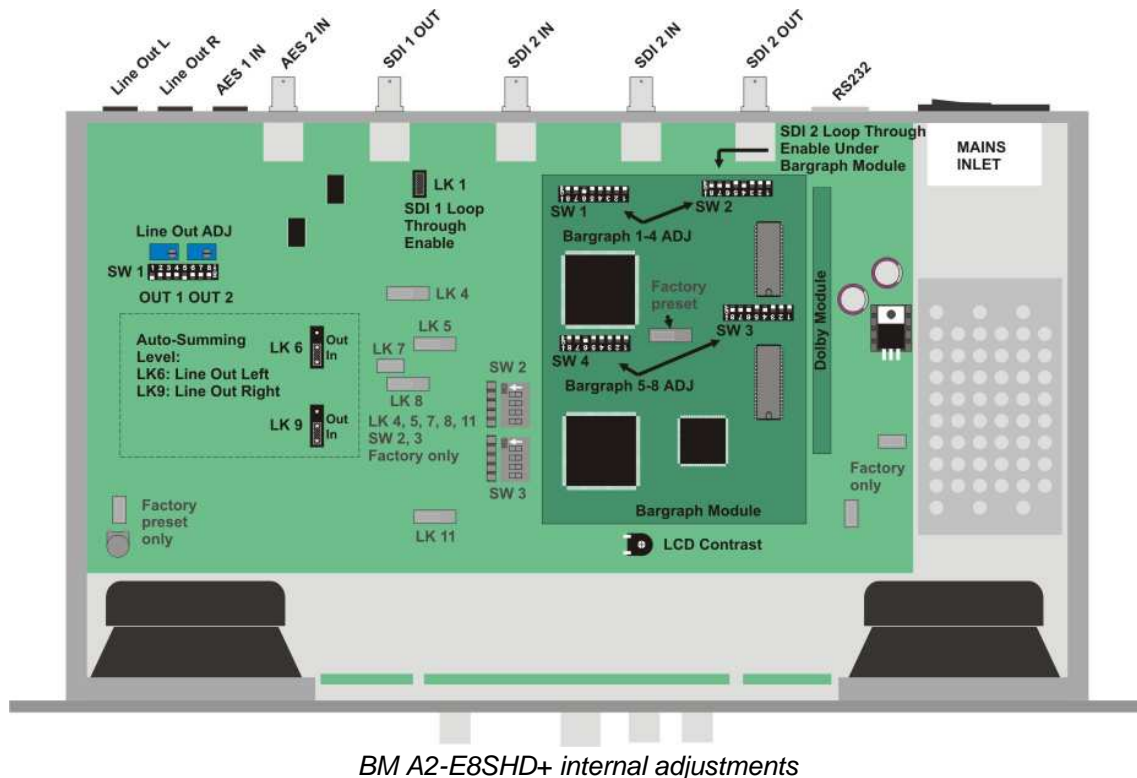
Bargraph meters are supplied in two groups of four to monitor inputs 1 to 4 and inputs 5 to 8. These two groups of bargraphs may be configured independently to support different meter ballistics and scales, peak hold decay and different transition points between coloured areas.

Different scales are supported with a range of stick on scale graticules and meter type settings are made inside the unit using DIL switches.

Access to BM A2-E8SHD+ internal adjustments is obtained with the top removed.

Note: 8 channel output interface omitted for clarity.

Warning: Configuration instructions are for trained personnel. To avoid dangerous electric shock, do not remove any covers or carry out adjustments unless qualified to do so.



The following adjustments may be made:

- Analogue line output – SW1/potentiometers main board
- Bargraph settings – SW1/SW2 and SW4/3 on bargraph module
- Auto-sum LK6 Line Out Left, LK9 Line Out Right
- LCD contrast –potentiometer below bargraph module on main board
- LK1 and LK2 (under bargraph module) enable SDI loop out when jumper link is placed across pins.

Warning: Improperly terminated or unterminated inputs or outputs will reduce usable cable length. Do not enable loop through unless terminations are in place.

Adjusting audio monitor output level

In the following tables, ON is obtained with a switch lever in the DOWN position. The adjustments are located on the main board under the output sub-board.



Analogue monitor output adjustments – 0dB setting shown

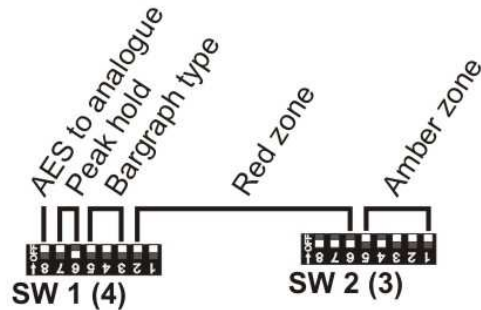
SW3	Monitor Output	Setting when ON
1	Left	0 dB (0 on analogue scale = 0dBu on output)
2	Left	4 dB (0 on analogue scale = +4dBu on output)
3	Left	8 dB(0 on analogue scale = +8dBu on output)
4	Left	Variable – adjacent pot* 0 to +12 dB
5	Right	0 dB (0 on analogue scale = 0dBu on output)
6	Right	4 dB (0 on analogue scale = +4dBu on output)
7	Right	8 dB(0 on analogue scale = +8dBu on output)
8	Right	Variable – adjacent pot* 0 to +12 dB

Note: It is intended that only one switch lever is set to ON for each monitor output. The ON position is obtained with a switch lever in the direction of the arrow (downward in the above drawing). Clockwise rotation increases gain.

Adjusting bargraph break-points and ballistics

The switch adjustments for each group of four bargraphs are as follows:

- Channels 1 to 4: use DIL switches SW1/1 to 8 and SW2/1 to 8
- Channels 5 to 8: use DIL switches SW4/1 to 8 and SW3/1 to 8



BM A2-E8SHD+ bargraph adjustments

AES to analogue adjust	SW 1(4)/8
3-18dBFS = 0 on analogue scale	ON OFF
-20dBFS = 0 on analogue scale	

The -18dB and -20dB settings define the relationship between AES input level and the 0 mark on an analogue scale. This allows analogue scales to be used with digital signals.

Note: When digital inputs are used with an analogue scale line outputs are less than shown on the meters since digital to analogue converters clip at +15 dB. The effective loss is -3dB when the 18 dB position is selected and -5dB when the 20 dB position is selected.

Peak hold decay	SW1(4)/7	SW1(4)/6
None (Off)	OFF	OFF
3 seconds	OFF	ON
7 seconds	ON	OFF
Indefinite	ON	ON

Scale type	SW1(4)/5	SW1(4)/4	SW1(4)/3
AES	OFF	OFF	OFF
DIN	OFF	OFF	ON
VU	OFF	ON	OFF
BBC	OFF	ON	ON
Extended VU	ON	OFF	OFF
NORDIC	ON	OFF	ON
No scale	ON	ON	OFF
No scale	ON	ON	ON

Note: The ON position is obtained with a switch lever DOWN in the drawing.

Each bargraph has 53 tri-colour segments. The top and bottom segments are reserved leaving 51. Up to 31 of the remaining top most segments may be coloured red. Up to 31 of segments from the end of the red zone downward may be coloured amber. The remaining segments (if any) are always green.

Red zone

Choosing how many segments are coloured red from the top of the bargraph sets the 'red zone'. Select from none to 31 using SW1(4)/2, SW1(4)/1, SW2(3)/8, SW2(3)/7 and SW2(3)/6 as follows:

Segment from bargraph top	SW1(4)/2	SW1(4)/1	SW2(3)/8	SW2(3)/7	SW2(3)/6
None	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
1	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
2	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF
3	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON
4	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF
5	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	ON
6	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	OFF
7	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	ON
8	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF
9	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	ON
10	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	OFF
11	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	ON
12	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF
13	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON
14	OFF	ON	ON	ON	OFF
15	OFF	ON	ON	ON	ON
16	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
17	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
18	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF
19	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	ON
20	ON	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF
21	ON	OFF	ON	OFF	ON
22	ON	OFF	ON	ON	OFF
23	ON	OFF	ON	ON	ON
24	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF
25	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON
26	ON	ON	OFF	ON	OFF
27	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON
28	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF
29	ON	ON	ON	OFF	ON
30	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF
31	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON

Note: It is not possible to set 31 red *and* 31 amber segments, since there are only 51 segments for level display purposes.

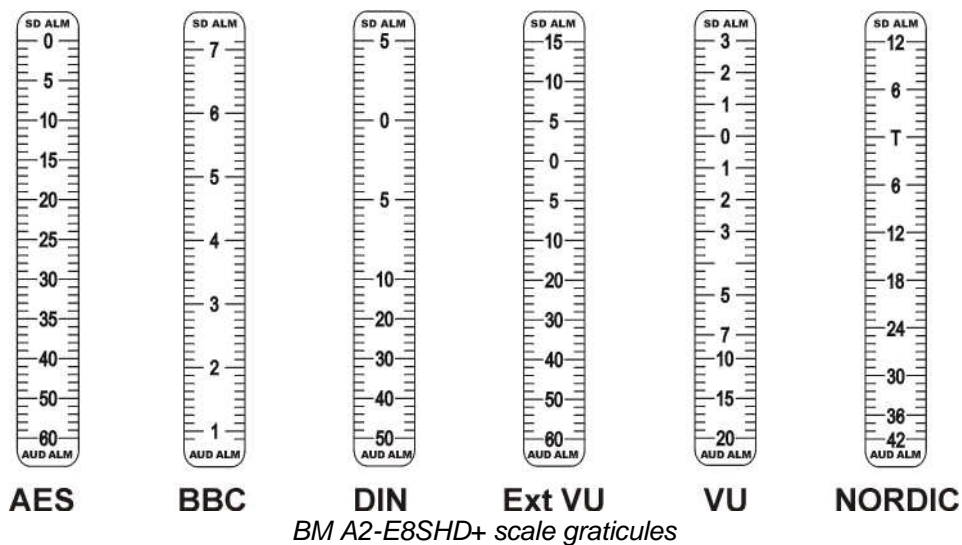
Amber zone

Choosing how many segments are coloured amber from the end of 'red zone' sets the 'amber zone'. Select from none to 31 using SW2(3)/5, SW2(3)/4, SW2(3)/3, SW2(3)/2 and SW2(3)/1 as follows:

Segment from last RED ZONE	SW2(3)/5	SW2(3)/4	SW2(3)/3	SW2(3)/2	SW2(3)/1
None	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
1	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON
2	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF
3	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON
4	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF
5	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	ON
6	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	OFF
7	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	ON
8	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF
9	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	ON
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16	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
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23	ON	OFF	ON	ON	ON
24	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF
25	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON
26	ON	ON	OFF	ON	OFF
27	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON
28	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF
29	ON	ON	ON	OFF	ON
30	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF
31	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON

Inserting bargraph graticules

The following bargraph scale graticules are supplied with each unit:



To apply a graticule proceed as follows:

- peel back the protective backing from the chosen graticule
- apply the graticule to the space between a pair of bargraphs
- repeat the process for the other bargraph graticule position
- ensure that the bargraph setting matches the graticule
- adjust the colour transitions and peak hold decay as desired

Questions and answers

The unit seems dead, what can I do?

Check the power cabling and the integral fuse in the IEC mains socket at the rear of the unit.

Check that the power switch at the rear is in the on position.

Try using a different known power source.

Try switching the unit off at the rear for a few seconds and then restore power.

For some bargraph displays, ballistics or colour transition points are wrong, what can I do?

Check that the appropriate meter type and colour transition points have been selected with the DIL switches inside the unit.

Check that the chosen ballistics setting and bargraph scale graticules match.

Why do one or more input source LEDs remain red?

For all inputs check that a valid input is present at the rear of the unit.

For SD/HD inputs check that high quality cable is used and that 75Ω terminations are in place if loop through outputs are enabled. LK1 or LK2 (under bargraph module) enabled loop through when placed across pins; in this position the loop through output must be properly terminated.

For AES inputs check that the input sample rate is 48.kHz.

Why don't the mix-assign buttons work in any Dolby E program mode?

When the Program Switch is in positions P1 to P8 the Dolby decoder is responsible for producing the required mix-downs in a Dolby E Program Sequence. The individual channels that go to make the sequence components are not available and the mix-assign and speaker buttons are disabled.

What exactly does the Program Switch do?

The Program Switch works when the Dolby decoder is active and receiving a Dolby E bitstream. It allows a particular component in a Dolby E bitstream to be selected and sent as a stereo signal to the unit's speakers the left-most two bargraphs.

What do the mix assign and left right speaker buttons do?

These buttons are enabled whenever more than two audio signals are available in Dolby E independent mode and de-embedded mode. The buttons underneath the bargraphs work with the left/right speaker buttons to control an 8x2 mixer. This allows up to eight audio channels to be assigned to the left or right audio output channels and so allow custom mix-downs. It does not affect signals sent to the bargraphs.

What is the RS232 port for?

This is provided in accordance with Dolby licence requirements to allow Dolby decoder firmware to be updated.

Appendix A

The following table shows all the possible Dolby E Program Configurations or Dolby Digital Coding modes supported by the unit and what each of the eight channels carries.

Dolby modes	Main Output Channel Assignment							
	Ch1	Ch2	Ch3	Ch4	Ch5	Ch6	Ch7	Ch8
5.1+2	1L	1R	1C	1LFE	1Ls	1Rs	2L	2R
5.1+1+1	1L	1R	1C	1LFE	1Ls	1Rs	2C	3C
4+4	1L	1R	1C	1S	2C	2S	2L	2R
4+2+2	1L	1R	1C	1S	3L	3R	2L	2R
4+2+1+1	1L	1R	1C	1S	3C	4C	2L	2R
4+1+1+1+1	1L	1R	1C	1S	4C	5C	2C	3C
2+2+2+2	1L	1R	3L	3R	4L	4R	2L	2R
2+2+2+1+1	1L	1R	3L	3R	4C	5C	2L	2R
2+2+1+1+1+1	1L	1R	3C	4C	5C	6C	2L	2R
2+1+1+1+1+1+1	1L	1R	4C	5C	6C	7C	2C	3C
1+1+1+1+1+1+1+1	1C	2C	3C	4C	5C	6C	7C	8C
5.1	1L	1R	1C	1LFE	1Ls	1Rs	None	None
4+2	1L	1R	1C	1S	None	None	2L	2R
4+1+1	1L	1R	1C	1S	None	None	2C	3C
2+2+2	1L	1R	3L	3R	None	None	2L	2R
2+2+1+1	1L	1R	3C	4C	None	None	2L	2R
2+1+1+1+1	1L	1R	4C	5C	None	None	2C	3C
1+1+1+1+1+1	1C	2C	3C	4C	5C	6C	None	None
4	1L	1R	1C	1S	None	None	None	None
2+2	1L	1R	None	None	None	None	2L	2R
2+1+1	1L	1R	None	None	None	None	2C	3C
1+1+1+1	1C	2C	3C	4C	None	None	None	None
3/2L	1L	1R	1C	1LFE	1Ls	1Rs	None	None
3/2	1L	1R	1C	None	1Ls	1Rs	None	None
2/2L	1L	1R	None	1LFE	1Ls	1Rs	None	None
2/2	1L	1R	None	None	1Ls	1Rs	None	None
3/1L	1L	1R	1C	1LFE	1S	None	None	None
3/1	1L	1R	1C	None	1S	None	None	None
2/1L	1L	1R	None	1LFE	1S	None	None	None
2/1	1L	1R	None	None	1S	None	None	None
3/0L	1L	1R	1C	1LFE	None	None	None	None
3/0	1L	1R	1C	None	None	None	None	None
2/0	1L	1R	None	None	None	None	None	None
1/0	None	None	1C	None	None	None	None	None
1+1	1C	2C	None	None	None	None	None	None
PCM	1L	1R	None	None	None	None	None	None

The following table shows all the possible Dolby E Program Sequences and relates them to the number of available channels and programs. The mix down within a sequence can be selected with the Program Switch in the positions shown. The selected mix down is sent to the left and right speakers and the first two bargraphs (left most looking at the front of the unit).

Dolby mode	Chs	Pgms	Program Switch
5.1+2	8	2	P1: 5.1, P2:+2
5.1+1+1	8	3	P1: 5.1, P2:+1, P3:+1
4+4	8	2	P1: 4, P2:+4
4+2+2	8	3	P1: 4, P2:+2, P3:+2
4+2+1+1	8	4	P1: 4, P2:+2, P3:+1, P4+1
4+1+1+1+1	8	5	P1: 4, P2:+1, P3:+1, P4+1, P5+1
2+2+2+2	8	4	P1:2, P2:+2, P3:+2, P4:+2,
2+2+2+1+1	8	5	P1:2, P2:+2, P3:+2, P4:+1, P5:+1
2+2+1+1+1+1	8	6	P1:2, P2:+2, P3:+1, P4:+1, P5:+1, P6:+1
2+1+1+1+1+1+1	8	7	P1:2, P2:+1, P3:+1, P4:+1, P5:+1, P6:+1, P7:+1
1+1+1+1+1+1+1+1	8	8	P1:1, P2:+1, P3:+1, P4:+1, P5:+1, P6:+1, P7:+1, P8:+1
5.1	8	1	P1: 5.1
4+2	6	2	P1: 4, P2:+2
4+1+1	6	3	P1: 4, P2:+1, P3:+1
2+2+2	6	3	P1: 2, P2:+2, P3:+2
2+2+1+1	6	4	P1: 2, P2:+2, P3:+1, P4:+1
2+1+1+1+1	6	5	P1: 2, P2:+1, P3:+1, P4:+1, P5:+1
1+1+1+1+1+1	6	6	P1: 1, P2:+1, P3:+1, P4:+1, P5:+1, P6:+1
4	4	1	P1:4
2+2	4	2	P1:2, P2:+2,
2+1+1	4	3	P1: 2, P2:+1, P3:+1
1+1+1+1	4	4	P1:1, P2:+1, P3:+1, P4:+1

Note: The Program Switch selects sequence elements in the order they appear in the Dolby E bit stream. For example for 5.1+1+1, P1 selects 5.1, P2 selects the first +1 additional channel and P3 selects the final +1 additional channel.

Specification

Audio inputs

Digital AES 1 x 110 Ω differential (XLR connector) and 1 x 75 Ω (BNC connector)

Sample rate 48.kHz.

Video

Input 2 x SD/HD SMPTE 259M, 296M, 274M, 292M

Meters

Bar Graphs 53 element tricolour with adjustable colour break points

Analogue monitor outputs

Max output level +15dB

Noise +THD -98dB

Frequency response

All analogue outputs 20 Hz to 20kHz \pm 1dB

Selected Analogue outputs

8 differential on 25 way 'D' type connector

Noise+thd -108dB w.r.t clipping

Output level At max volume setting +10dB
At 0.5 volume setting -2dB

AES outputs 4 pairs unbalanced on BNC connectors

Main drive amp

Noise +THD -80dB w.r.t. maximum output

Speaker driver units

Peak acoustic level (@2ft) 100dB SPL

Shielding Magnetic

Scales and Ballistics

NORDIC:	Overall dynamic range: 54dB (+12 to -42dB) Attack time: 5mSec Fallback: 1.7Sec per 20dB decay
DIN PPM:	Overall dynamic range: 55dB (+5 to -50dB) Attack time: 10mSec Fallback: 1.5Sec per 20dB decay
BBC PPM:	Overall dynamic range: (+12 to -12dB from mark 7 to mark 1) Attack time: 10mSec Fallback: 2.85Sec (from mark 7 to mark 1)
VU:	Overall dynamic range: 23dB (+3 to -20dB) Attack time: 300mSec Fallback: 300mSec
VU EXT:	Overall dynamic range: 80dB (+20 to -60dB) Attack time: 300mSec Fallback: 300mSec
AES/EBU:	Overall dynamic range: 60dB (0 to -60dB) Attack time: 1mSec Fallback: 1.5Sec per 20dB decay
Housing	19" Rack Mount: 2U high. Outline Dimensions: 483mm(W) x 256mm(D) x 89mm(H) Outline Dimensions: 19inch(W) x 10inch(D) x 3.5inch(H)
Power	90 - 264 VAC 50/60Hz Autoselect, Fuse 4A HAC
Environmental	Temperature 0°C to 30°C Humidity 70% max (non-condensing)
Weight	6kg (14lbs)
Computer interface	9 pin RS-232 female PC-AT serial interface for Dolby card