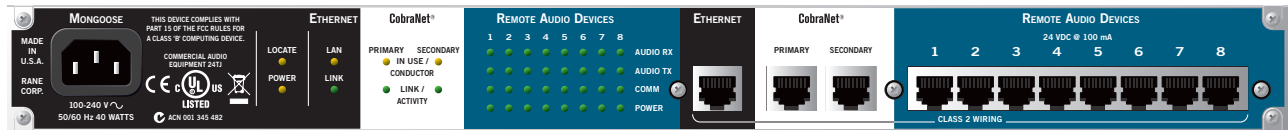


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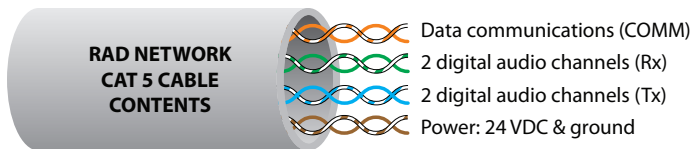
rear panel

General Description

The Mongoose and its Tracker software work with Rane’s Remotes Audio Devices (RADs) and your CobraNet network to deliver digital audio to the “last mile” of installations – between the equipment room/rack and remote spaces. OK, it’s not a mile, we lied: it’s actually 150 meters (492 feet to those in Liberia, Myanmar and the USA).

The Mongoose’s 32-by-32 digital audio matrix router receives its first 16 audio channels from up to eight RADs via the eight rear panel 8P8C (RJ-45) Remote Audio Device ports. The second 16 matrix input channels come from two eight-channel CobraNet receive (Rx) Bundles via standard CobraNet Primary and Secondary/backup ports. The 32 matrix router outputs transmit 16 channels to eight RADs and 16 more channels to two CobraNet transmit (Tx) Bundles.

A family of RAD models is shown to the right. Each converts analog audio to or from 24-bit, 48 kHz digital audio. Each RAD mounts in a standard US electrical gang box (except the RAD16, AM1 and AM2), typically scattered throughout a facility. Shielded CAT 5e cable and termination transport four digital audio channels – two channels in each direction – as well as power, ground and a communications channel via Rane’s proprietary RAD Network.

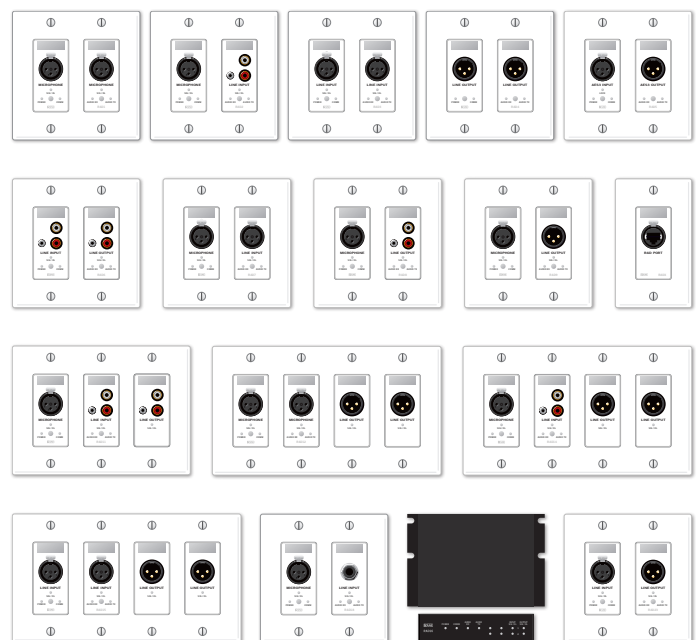


Mongoose’s rear panel Ethernet port provides for direct or network connection to a computer running Rane’s Mongoose Tracker software. Inexpert users are assured easy network communications with Zeroconf (Link-local/mDNS) and DHCP support. Gone are the days of installers requiring intricate IP knowledge. Yet, facility network managers can configure Mongoose like any other IP network device. The Ethernet port also supports Auto MDI/MDIX which automatically detects and permits either an Ethernet crossover cable (included) or a standard Ethernet cable to be used when directly connecting to a computer.

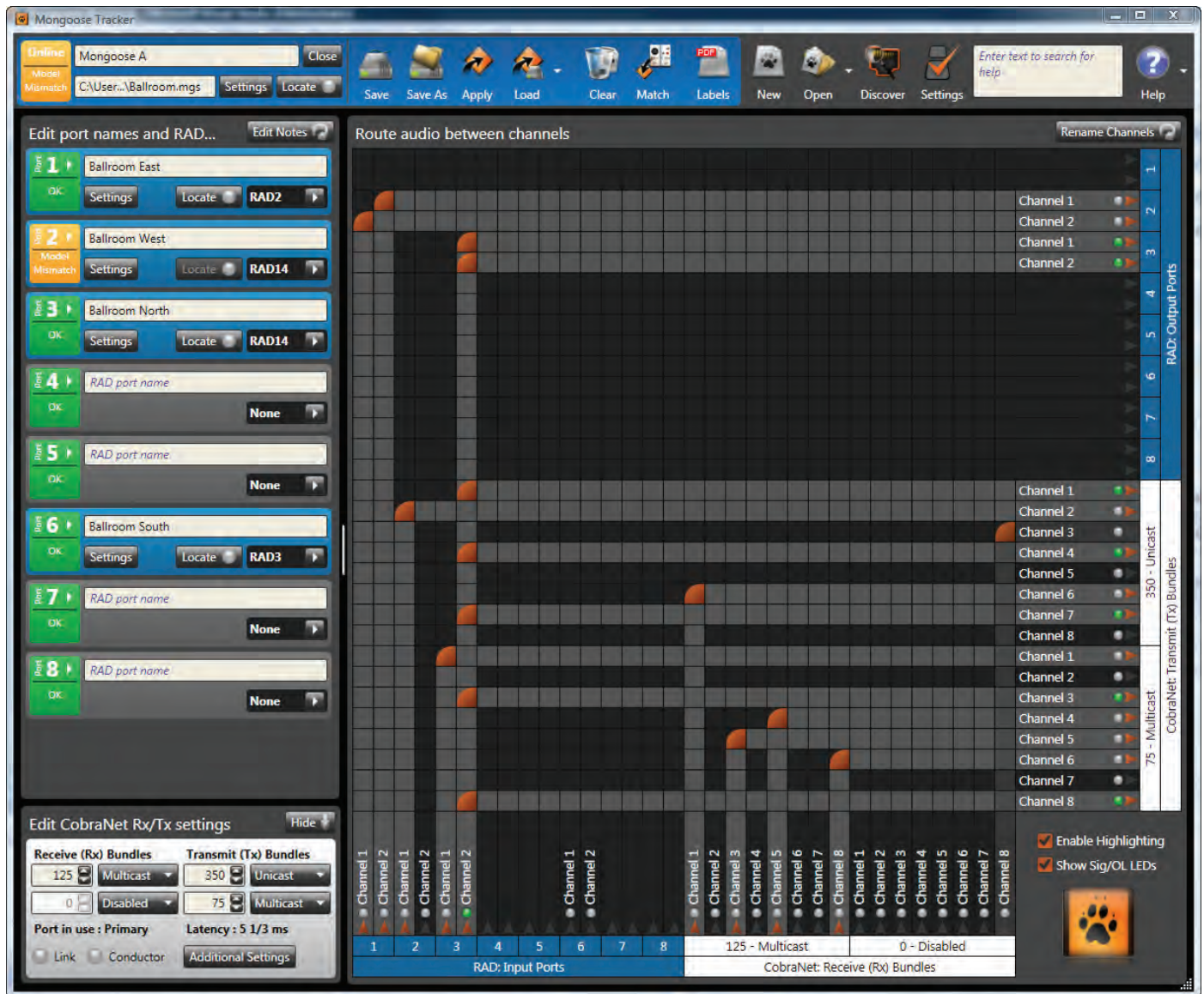
Features

- 32 by 32 digital audio matrix router.
- Receive 2 and transmit 2 CobraNet Bundles.
- Supports up to 32 digital audio channels from up to 8 RADs.
- Ethernet port supports DHCP, Zeroconf (Link-local & mDNS) & Auto MDI/MDIX.
- Mongoose Tracker setup software for PC is included.
 - Zeroconf-based Discovery automatically finds devices without IP setup or special IP knowledge.
 - Name each Mongoose, RAD and audio channel.

RAD Remote Audio Devices



...with more RAD models in development.



Mongoose Tracker Software

Using the Mongoose Tracker, you configure each Mongoose RAD port with the RAD model that connects to it. You also configure various settings for each RAD, for the Mongoose itself, and for the CobraNet network. One of the key configuration tasks is to set up the audio routing for your Mongoose system. You do this using the audio routing matrix that appears in the Mongoose Tracker's main window. Simply click a crosspoint to attach input port to output, between RADs and CobraNet Channels. You can send the signal to one or more of the following:

- Another RAD connected to the same Mongoose
- Another RAD connected to a different Mongoose
- Another CobraNet-enabled device (e.g., a DSP device).

In addition to configuring the Mongoose components and the audio routing, the software is a valuable tool for troubleshooting any issues that may arise. Although you can determine a lot from the hardware status indicators, the software provides more detail, allowing you to drill down and pinpoint the problem with greater accuracy. Dynamic Help is in the right-hand window to assist.

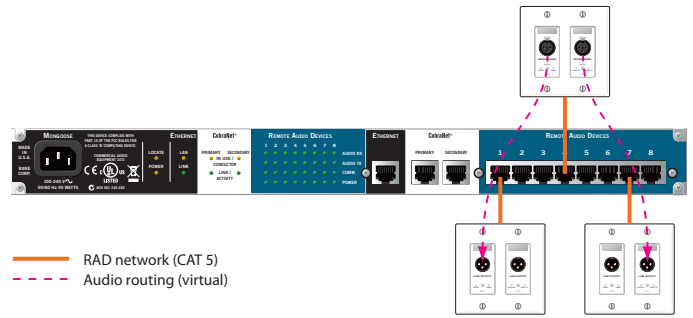
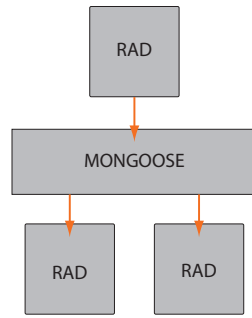
Mongoose Tracker requires a computer running Microsoft Windows® XP (Service Pack 2 or 3) or any version of Vista or 7 (including 64-bit) with an Ethernet port.



Configurations

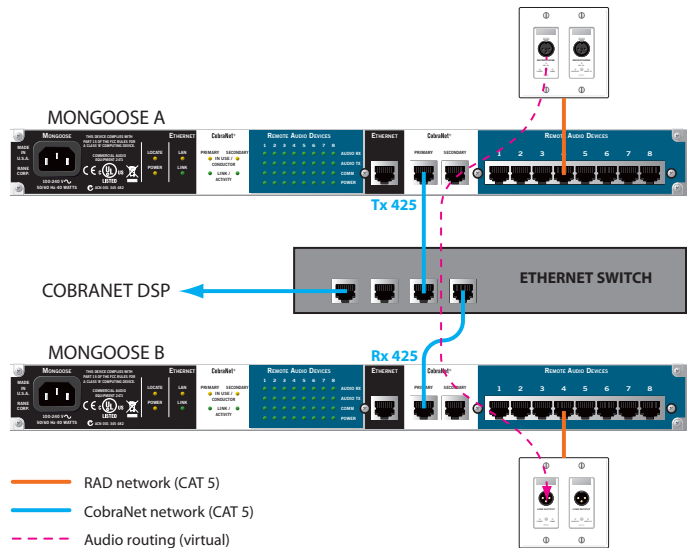
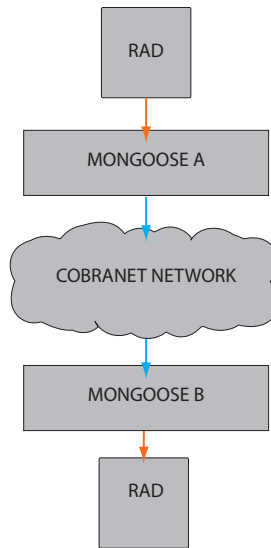
Basic RAD to RAD

Analog runs are replaced with digital runs. This is suitable for point-to-point (tie lines), splitter, or mic preamp to line output in an easily configurable “set-&-forget” matrix.



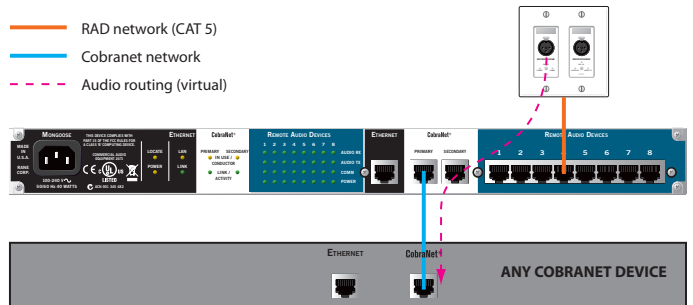
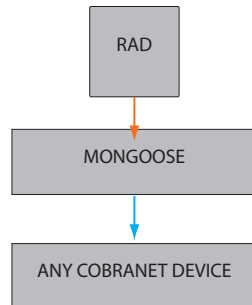
RAD to RAD (made bigger)

RAD network cable distance maximum is 150 meters, so use this configuration when more than eight RADs are needed, or if the RADs are more than 150 meters apart (add a second Mongoose on the network to increase the total distance between RADs).



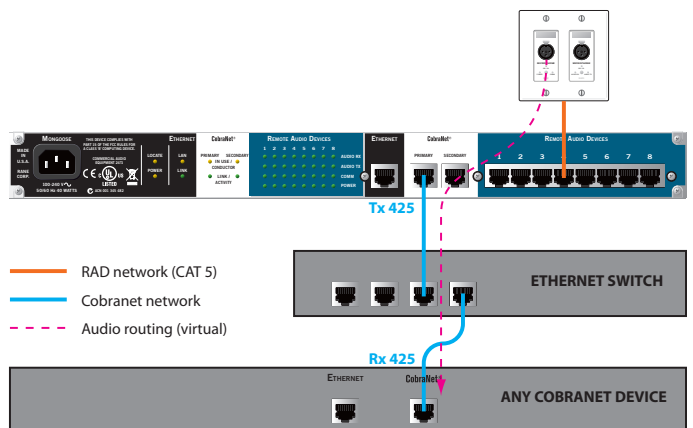
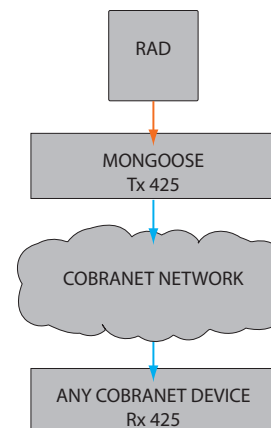
RAD to and from CobraNet DSP

The Mongoose is directly connected to any CobraNet device port.

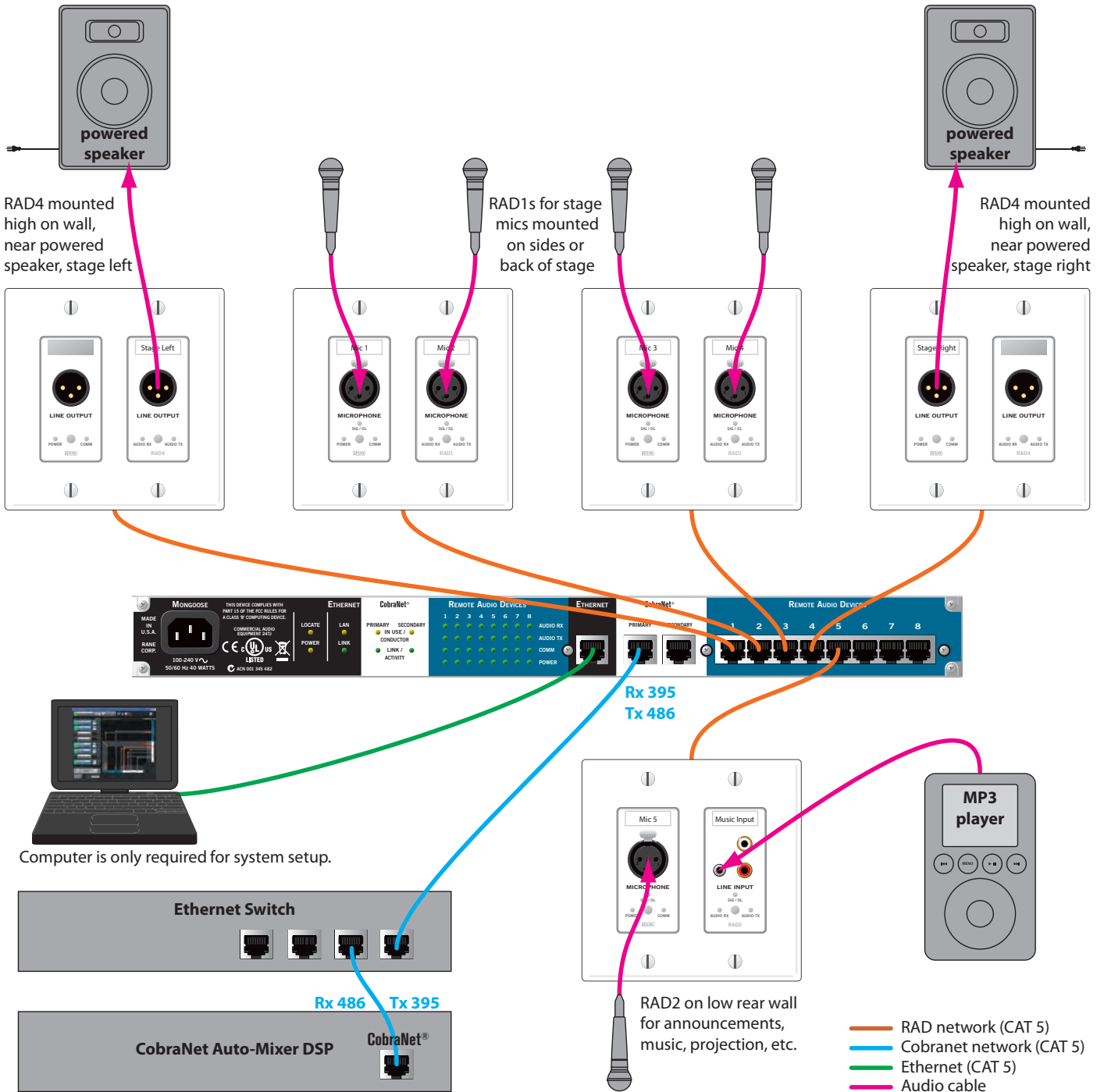


RAD to and from CobraNet DSP (made bigger)

The Mongoose is connected to the CobraNet device through the network. Audio may travel in either or both directions depending on RAD choices.



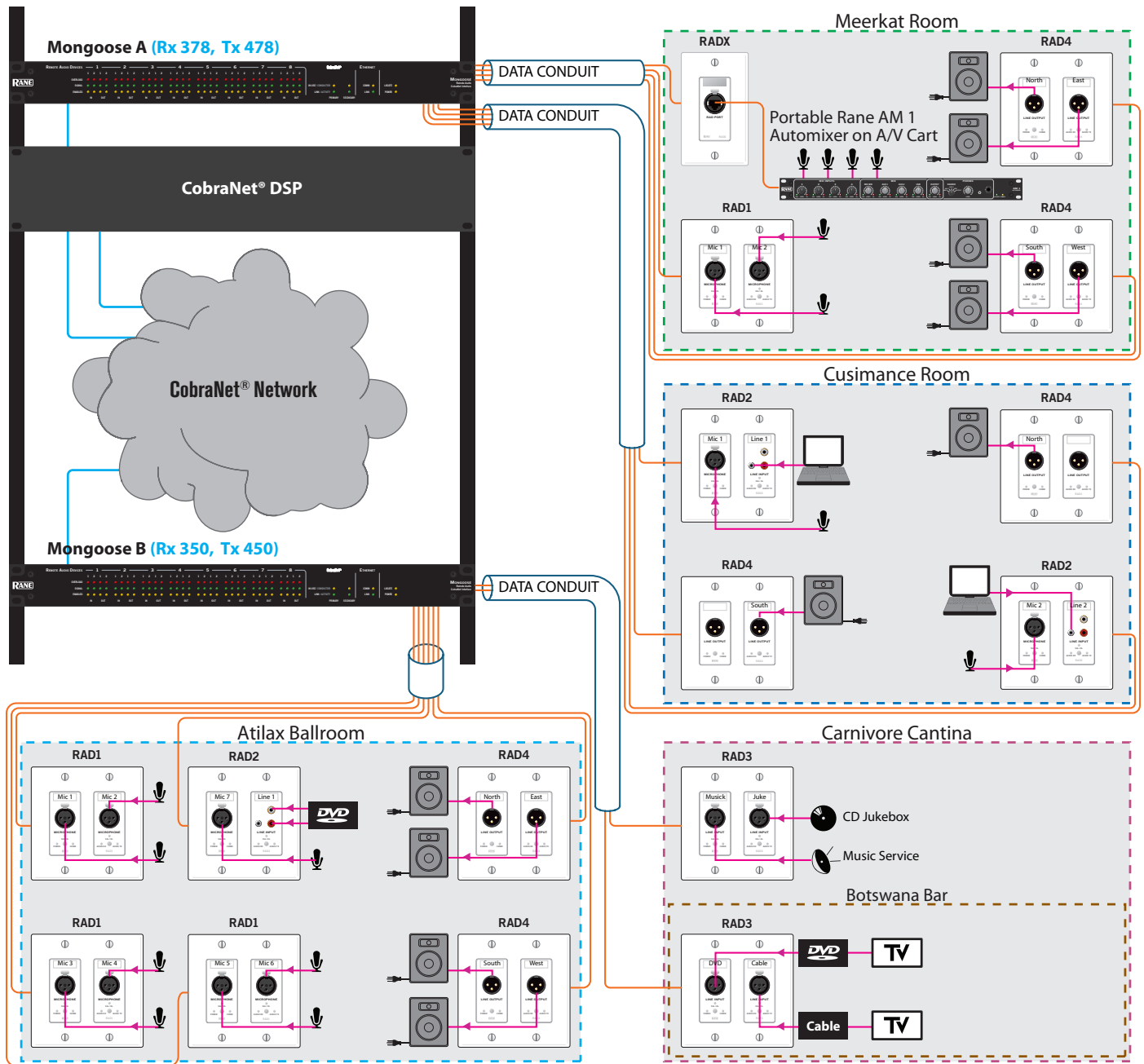
Cafetorium System Example



In this example, the Mongoose is a wise choice because it provides the school with tremendous flexibility and extensibility. While delivering superb sound quality in the cafetorium, it also ties in with the existing school paging system, and provides the possibility of additional functionality in the future (as new RADs are introduced).

- Two RAD1s are installed at the stage front for four mics.
- Two RAD4s are installed high on the wall near the speakers. Two to four powered speakers could be accommodated.
- A RAD2 satisfies the need for a microphone and line input (for playing background music) at the back of the room.
- The Mongoose is housed in a sound equipment room along with a network switch and a CobraNet DSP box that contains a microphone auto-mixer.

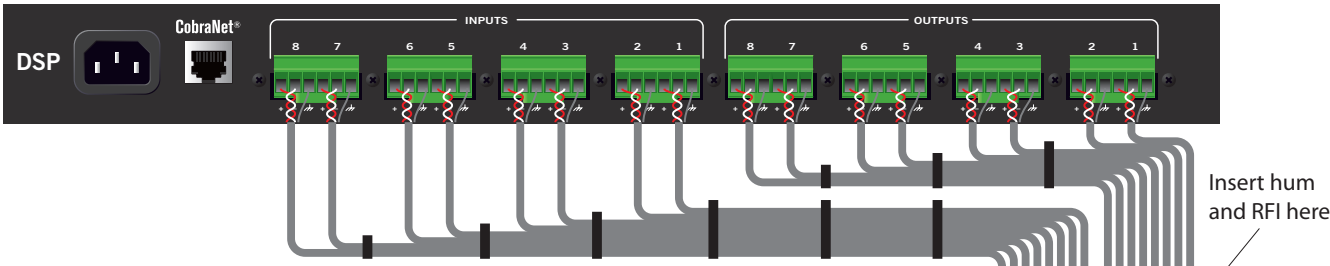
Hotel System Example



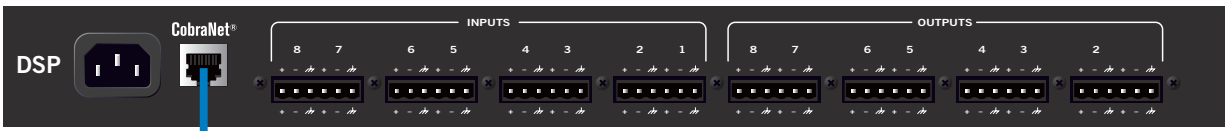
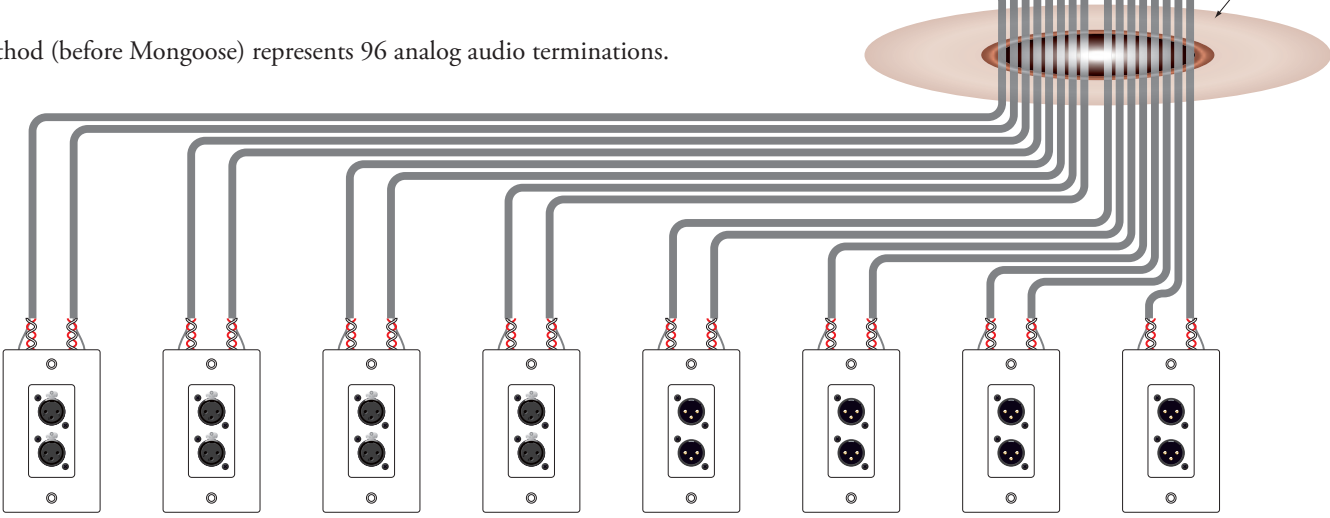
This hotel contains several meeting rooms, a ballroom, and a restaurant/bar. It is a prime target for the Mongoose because of the low channel count in each room and the scattered locations of each audio input and output. This system requires more than eight RADs and, therefore, requires more than one Mongoose.

These examples and more are described in greater detail in the Mongoose Design Manual, downloadable at www.rane.com/mongoose. There you can download the Mongoose Installation Manual, example Tracker Configuration files, DWG and JPG files of the Mongoose and RADs, and the latest software. rane.com/mongoose

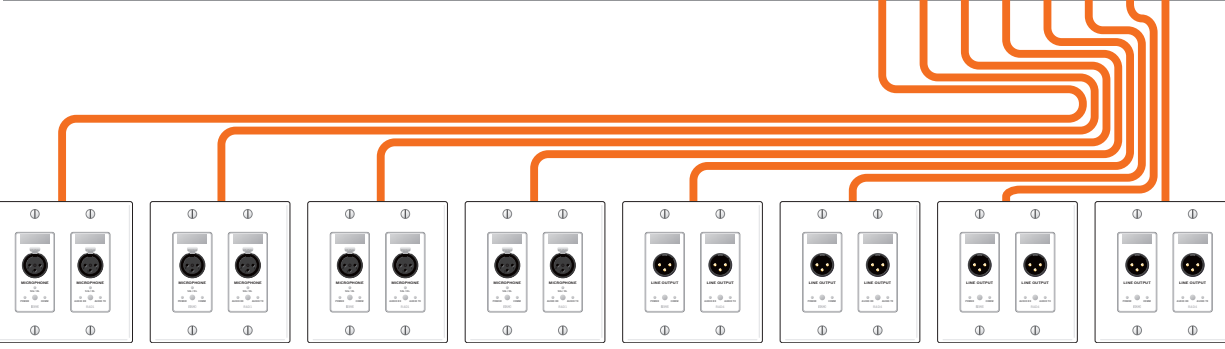
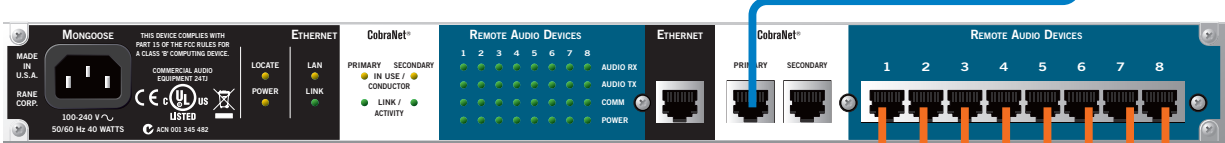
Labor Factors & Termination Advantages

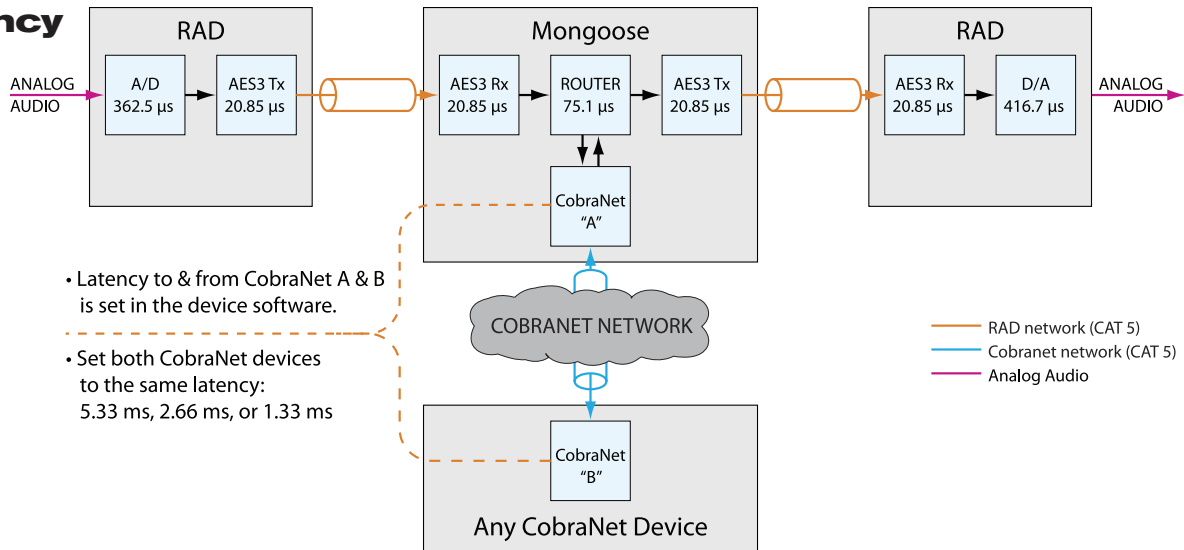


Old method (before Mongoose) represents 96 analog audio terminations.



New method (after Mongoose): A single CAT 5 cable (blue) containing up to 32 channels connects the Mongoose and a DSP device. Other CAT 5 cables (orange) connect 2- or 4-channel RADs to the Mongoose. The DSP device may be ordered without I/O cards. RJ-45 crimp connections are much easier and faster. Total terminations = 18.



Latency

Mongoose Features & Specifications

Parameter	Specification	Limit	Units	Conditions/Comments
Audio Converters	24-bit			Delta Sigma
Audio Processing	24-bit			48 kHz sample rate
Communications Interface				
Ethernet	100BaseTx			100 mega bit/sec; RJ-45 connector
Max cable length: RADs	492 feet / 150 meters			Mongoose to each RAD
Max cable length: CobraNet	328 feet / 100 meters			Standard Ethernet CAT 5 cable length limits
Max cable length: EtherNet	328 feet / 100 meters			Standard Ethernet CAT 5 cable length limits
Wiring	Class 2			All rear panel connections
Unit: Power Requirement	100 to 240	±10%	VAC	50/60 Hz, 1.25 to 0.9 Amp
Conformity: Safety				
...NRTL (USA)	UL 60065			C/UL/US (UL file no. E193164)
...CSA (Canada)	CAN/CSA 60065			C/UL/US (UL file no. E193164)
...EU Directive 2006/95/EC	EN 60065			CB Certificate (Nemko)
Conformity: EMC				
...FCC	Part 15B			Class B Device
...EU Directive 2004/108/EC	EN 55103-1, EN 55103-2			Environment E2
Unit: Size	1.75"H x 19"W x 8.25"D		1U	(4.4 cm x 48.3 cm x 20.9 cm)
.....Weight:	5 lb			(2.3 kg)
Shipping: Size	4.5" x 20.3" x 13.75"			(11.5 cm x 52 cm x 35 cm)
.....Weight:	8 lb			(3.6 kg)

RAD Features & Specifications (all models)

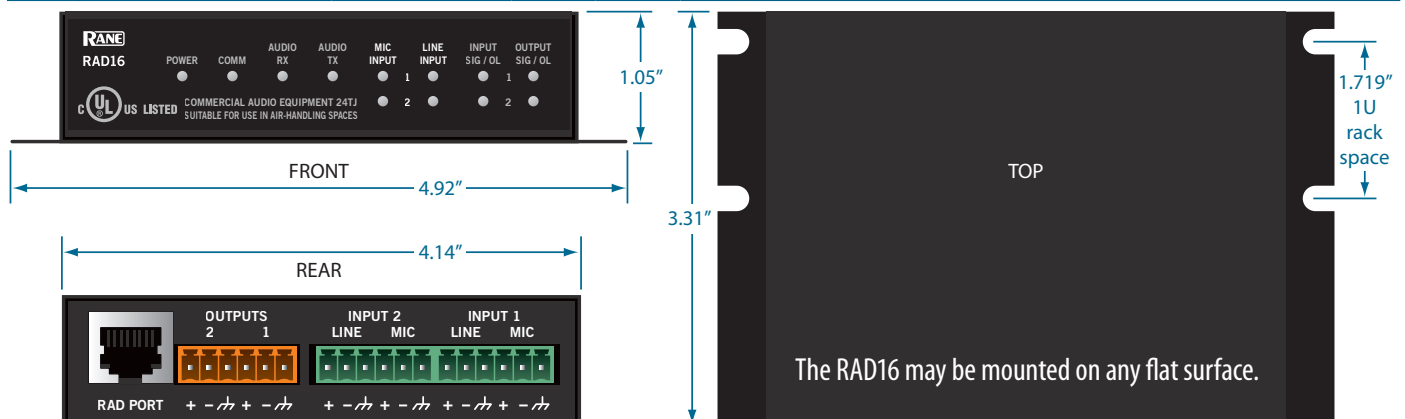
Parameter	Specification	Limit	Units	Conditions/Comments
Signal Indicator	-50	typ.	dBFS	Unbalanced / Balanced Output, Green LED, Peak-Reading
Overload Indicators	-0.5	typ.	dBFS	Unbalanced / Balanced Output, Red LED, Peak-Reading
Conformity: EMC				
...FCC	Part 15B			Class B Device
...EU Directive 2004/108/EC	EN 55103-1, EN 55103-2			Environment E2

RAD1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 18, 23 Features & Specifications

Parameter	Specification	Limit	Units	Conditions/Comments
Mic Input Specs (Both XLR & Euro RADs)				
Input Impedance	2.16 k	1%	Ω	Balanced 1.08 k + 1.08 k
Max. Input Level	-17	min.	dBu	Balanced, Gain = 26 dB, <1% THD
Equivalent Input Noise	-121	typ.	dBu	20 kHz BW, $R_s = 150 \Omega$, Gain = 26 dB
Dynamic Range	98	typ.	dB	re: 0 dBFS, 20 kHz BW, A-weighted, Gain = 26 dB
CMRR	-70	typ.	dB	$R_s = 150 \Omega$, 1 kHz, Gain = 26 dB
Frequency Response	30 to 20k	typ.	Hz	+0, -3dB, At All Gain Settings
THD+Noise	0.010	typ.	%	@ 1 kHz, 20 kHz BW, $R_s = 150 \Omega$, Output = -6 dBFS, Gain = 26 dB
Gain Range	26 to 60	typ.	dB	In 1 dB Steps
Phantom Power	+24	4%	V	15 mA Max.
Impedance	1.21 k	1%	Ω	Each Leg
Balanced Line-Level Output Specs (Active Balanced)				
Output Impedance	600	1%	Ω	Each Leg
Max. Output Level	18	min.	dBu	Balanced, <1% THD, Load = 10 k Ω
Dynamic Range	103	typ.	dB	re: 0 dBFS, 20 kHz BW, A-weighted
Frequency Response	10 to 22k	typ.	Hz	+0, -3dB
THD+Noise	0.017	typ.	%	@ 1 kHz, 20 kHz BW, Output = -6 dBFS
Balanced Line-Level Input Specs				
Input Impedance	22.18 k	1%	Ω	Balanced 11.09 k Ω + 11.09 k Ω
Max. Input Level	23	min.	dBu	Balanced, <1% THD
Dynamic Range	102	typ.	dB	re: 0 dBFS, 20 kHz BW, A-weighted
CMRR	-56	typ.	dB	$R_s = 150 \Omega$, 1 kHz
Frequency Response	10 to 22k	typ.	Hz	+0, -3dB
THD+Noise	0.004	typ.	%	@ 1 kHz, 20 kHz BW, $R_s = 150 \Omega$, Output = -6 dBFS
Unbalanced Line-Level Input Specs				
Input Impedance, Mono (RAD2, RAD11 & RAD14)	20 k	1%	Ω	Unbalanced
Max. Input Level, Mono (RAD2, RAD11 & RAD14)	6	min.	Vrms	Unbalanced, <1% THD
Input Impedance, Stereo (RAD6)	20 k	1%	Ω	Unbalanced
Max. Input Level, Stereo (RAD6)	3	min.	Vrms	Unbalanced, <1% THD
Dynamic Range	96	typ.	dB	re: 0 dBFS, 20 kHz BW, A-weighted
Frequency Response	10 to 22k	typ.	Hz	+0, -3dB
THD+Noise	0.005	typ.	%	@ 1 kHz, 20 kHz BW, $R_s = 150 \Omega$, Output = -6 dBFS
Unbalanced Line-Level Output Specs				
Output Impedance, Stereo (RAD6, RAD8, RAD11)	600	1%	Ω	Unbalanced
Max. Output Level, Stereo (RAD6, RAD8, RAD11)	3.3	min.	Vrms	Unbalanced, <1% THD, Load = 10 k Ω
Dynamic Range	98	typ.	dB	Re: 0 dBFS, 20 kHz BW, A-weighted
Frequency Response	10 to 22k	typ.	Hz	+0, -3dB
THD+Noise	0.028	typ.	%	@ 1 kHz, 20 kHz BW, Output = -6 dBFS

RAD 16 Features & Specifications

Parameter	Specification	Limit	Units	Conditions/Comments
Input Impedance	2.16 k	1%	Ω	Balanced 1.08 k + 1.08 k
Max. Input Level	-16	min.	dBu	Balanced, Gain = 26 dB, <1% THD
Equivalent Input Noise	-121	typ.	dBu	20 kHz BW, $R_s = 150 \Omega$, Gain = 26 dB
Dynamic Range	96	typ.	dB	re: 0 dBFS, 20 kHz BW, A-weighted, Gain = 26
CMRR	-62	typ.	dB	$R_s = 150 \Omega$, 1 kHz, Gain = 26 dB
Frequency Response	41 to 20k	typ.	Hz	+0, -3dB, At All Gain Settings
THD+Noise	0.008	typ.	%	@ 1 kHz, 20 kHz BW, $R_s = 150 \Omega$, Output = -6 dBFS, Gain = 26 dB
Gain Range	26 to 60	typ.	dB	In 1 dB Steps
Phantom Power	+24	4%	V	15 mA Max.
Impedance	1.21 k	1%	Ω	Each Leg
Balanced Line-Level Input Specs				
Input Impedance	22.60 k	1%	Ω	Balanced 11.3 k Ω + 11.3 k Ω
Max. Input Level	23	min.	dBu	Balanced, <1% THD
Dynamic Range	99	typ.	dB	re: 0 dBFS, 20 kHz BW, A-weighted
CMRR	-52	typ.	dB	$R_s = 150 \Omega$, 1 kHz
Frequency Response	22 to 22k	typ.	Hz	+0, -3 dB
THD+Noise	0.008	typ.	%	@ 1 kHz, 20 kHz BW, $R_s = 150 \Omega$, Output = -6 dBFS
Balanced Line-Level Output Specs (Active Balanced)				
Output Impedance	600	1%	Ω	Each Leg
Max. Output Level	18	min.	dBu	Balanced, <1% THD, Load = 10 k Ω
Dynamic Range	103	typ.	dB	20 kHz BW, A-weighted
Frequency Response	10 to 22k	typ.	Hz	+0, -3 dB
THD+Noise	0.07	typ.	%	@ 1 kHz, 20 kHz BW, Output = -6 dBFS
Conformity: Safety				
...NRTL (USA)	UL 60065			C/UL/US (UL file no. E193164)
...CSA (Canada)	CAN/CSA 60065			C/UL/US (UL file no. E193164)
...Plenum Rating	UL 2043			C/UL/US (UL file no. E193164)
Conformity: EMC				
...FCC	Part 15B			Class B Device
...EU Directive 2004/108/EC	EN 55103-1, EN 55103-2			Environment E2
Unit Size				
...Weight	12 oz			(340 g)
Shipping Size	7.25" x 5.25" x 3.375"			(18.5 x 13.4 x 8.6 cm)
...Weight	1 lb			(436 g)



RAD16 Dual Euroblock Mic or Line Input / Dual Euroblock Line Output Available only in black.

All wallplate RADs are available in white, ivory or black



RAD1 Dual XLR Mic Inputs

RAD1W = white RAD1I = ivory RAD1B = black



RAD4 Dual XLR Line Outputs

RAD4W = white RAD4I = ivory RAD4B = black



RAD2 XLR Mic Input / Mini & RCA Mono'd Line Input

RAD2W = white RAD2I = ivory RAD2B = black



RAD5 AES3 Input / AES3 Output

RAD5W = white RAD5I = ivory RAD5B = black



RAD3 Dual XLR Line Inputs

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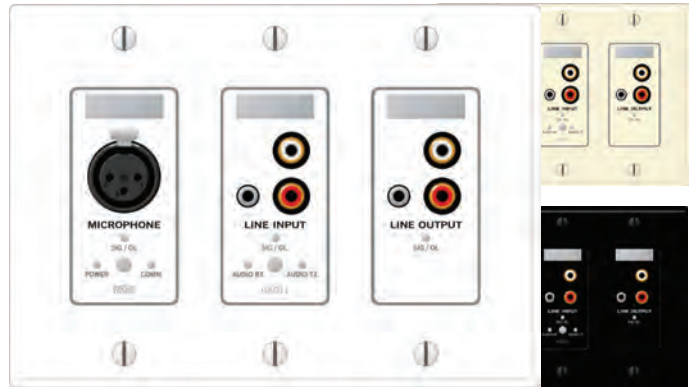
RAD6 Mini & RCA Stereo Line Input / Mini & RCA Stereo Line Output

RAD6W = white RAD6I = ivory RAD6B = black

All wallplate RADs are available in white, ivory or black

RAD7 XLR Mic Input / XLR Line Input

RAD7W = white RAD7I = ivory RAD7B = black


RAD11 XLR Mic Input / Mini & RCA Mono'd Line Input / Mini & RCA Stereo Line Output

RAD11W = white RAD11I = ivory RAD11B = black


RAD8 XLR Mic Input / Mini & RCA Stereo Line Output

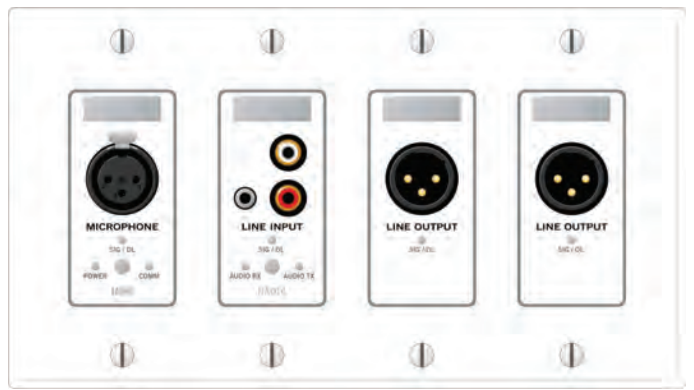
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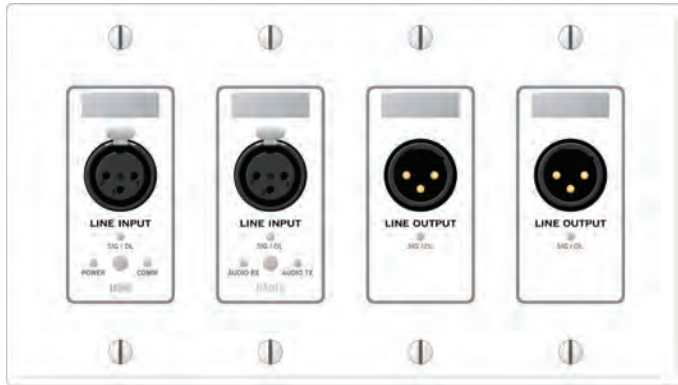
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RAD9 XLR Mic Input / XLR Line Output

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RAD14 XLR Mic Input / Mini & RCA Mono'd Line Input / Dual XLR Line Outputs

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RAD15 Dual XLR Line Inputs / Dual XLR Line Outputs

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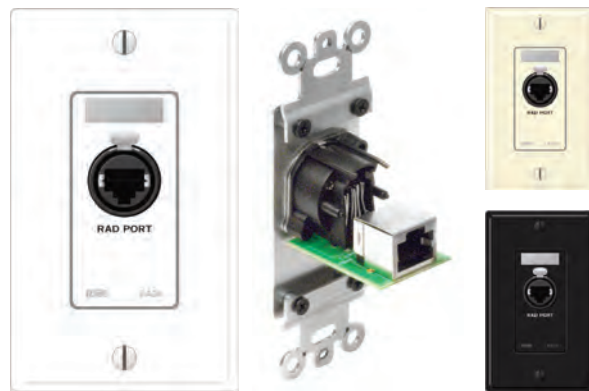
RAD18 XLR Mic Input / 1/4" Balanced Line Input

RAD18W = white RAD18I = ivory RAD18B = black



RAD23 XLR Line Input / XLR Line Output

RAD23W = white RAD23I = ivory RAD23B = black



RADX RAD Port Extension

RADXW = white RADXI = ivory RADXB = black
Distinguish Ethernet RJ-45 from Audio RJ-45 jacks.



AM1 Automixer with 4 XLR Mic/Line Inputs, 2 Line Inputs, USB Audio I/O, XLR Mix Output, RCA Record Output, Headphone Amp, and RAD Port. See the AM1 Data Sheet for details



AM2 Automixer with 8 XLR Mic/Line Inputs, XLR Mix Output, and Cascadable RAD Port.

See the AM2 Data Sheet for details