

VGLA20RPDC

Variable Gain 20 dB Line Amplifier Technical Product Data

Features

- Customizable Variable Gain Amplifier
 - Potentiometer controlled gain from 0-26 dB.
- Wide Accepted Frequency Range
 - Accepts signals from the entire L-Band, covering all major GNSS constellations.
- Low L1 Noise Figure
 - 1.1 dB typical.
- Excellent Gain Flatness
 - 0.5 dB typical.
- High L1 1 dB Compression Point
 - -24.3 dBm typical



Description

This **Variable Gain Line Amplifier 20dB Regulated Pass DC (VGLA20RPDC)** is an active one input, one output amplifier optimized for GPS applications. The gain is customizable using the lid mounted potentiometer. This equipment accepts signals covering all major GNSS constellations.

In the standard configuration, the J1 port accepts DC voltage from a connected GPS receiver. This voltage is regulated and used to power the internal amplifiers while unregulated voltage is passed through the antenna port to power a connected active antenna or other upstream devices.

In the Networked (Externally Powered) configuration, the output (**J1**) is DC Blocked, and a customer-defined output voltage is provided via the antenna port. Custom gain, DC power, and connector configurations are available upon request.

Use Cases

- As an in-line amplifier to negate the insertion loss of a long cable run.
- To add amplification to a signal provided by a passive antenna.
- As an amplifier in a re-radiating system.
- In combination with one of our splitter devices to create a GPS distribution network.

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Electrical Specifications, TA=25°C

General Specification

Parameter	Notes	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Frequency Range	Covers all major GNSS constellations.	1.1		1.7	GHz
Characteristic Impedance	Input and output ports matched to 50Ω.		50		Ω
Reverse Isolation	Attenuation applied signals traveling backwards through the amplifier: S12.		-50		dB
Req. DC Input V.	Operating voltage range for non-networked units.	3.3		15	VDC
Current Draw	Typical current consumption.		22		mA

GPS L1 & L2 RF Specification

Parameter	Notes	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Min Gain	The relative increase in signal power provided by the amplifier when set to the minimum gain level.	-1	0	1	dB
Max Gain	The relative increase in signal power provided by the amplifier when set to the maximum gain level.	25	26	27.5	dB
Input SWR	Input Standing Wave Ratio: S11		1.6	2.0:1	-
Output SWR	Output Standing Wave Ratio: S22		1.6	2.0:1	-
Noise Figure	The increase in noise power relative to an ideal amplifier. Minimum NF is achieved at maximum amplification. Maximum NF occurs at minimum gain.	L1:1 L2:1.07		L1:4 L2:3.9	dB
Band Gain Flatness	The difference in loss or gain between the L1 and L2 frequencies.		0.5	1.5	dB
Tolerance	The difference between gain setting and actual gain value.		1.0	2.0	dB
Input P1dB	The 1dB compression point.		-24		dBm
3rd Order Intercept	Third-order intercept point at L1.		-15		dBm

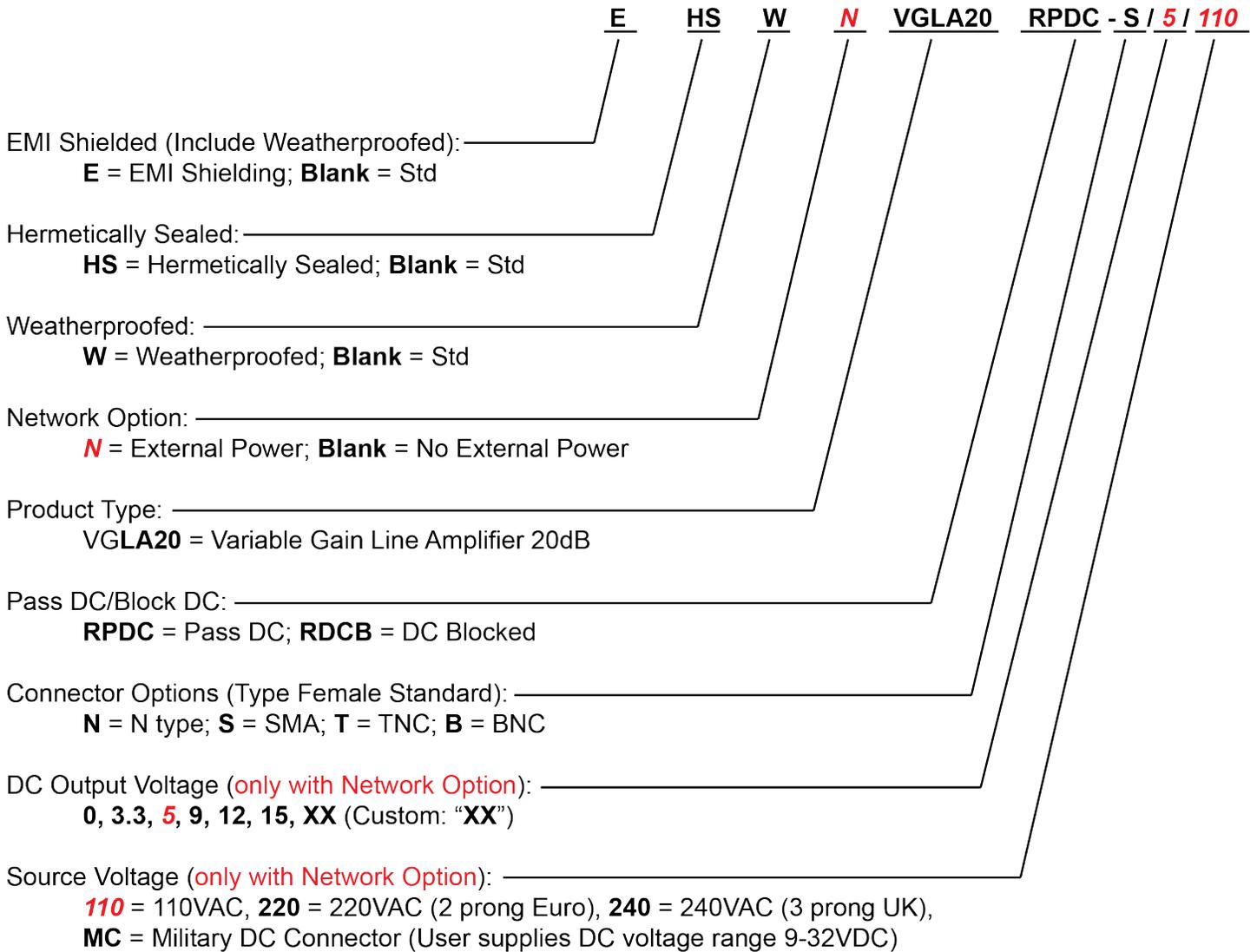
External Power Options (Networked Option)		
Source Voltage Options	Voltage Input	Style
	110VAC	Transformer (ITA Type A Wall Mount)
	220VAC	Transformer (ITA Type C Wall Mount)
	240VAC (United Kingdom)	Transformer (ITA Type G Wall Mount)
	Customer Supplied DC 9-32 VDC	MIL-DTL-5015 10SL Two-Pin DC Connector (Includes Mate)
Output Voltage Options ⁽²⁾	DC Voltage Out	Max Current out For Corresponding Vout
	3.3 V	110mA
	5V	130mA
	9V	140mA
	12V	180mA
	15V	220mA
	Custom	Custom
Standard DC Configuration without External Power Option		
All Ports Pass DC		
Standard DC Configuration with any External Power Option (AC/DC or Military DC)		
J1 Port DC Blocked with 200Ω load standard		
Antenna Port is DC Pass		
Connector Options	Connector Style	Charge
	Type N-female	No Charge
	Type SMA-female	No Charge
	Type TNC-female	No Charge
	Type BNC-female	No Charge
	Other	Contact GPS Networking

(2): With Network Option, any RF port (input or output) can be specified to Pass DC or Block DC

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Part Number Configuration



(Military DC Mating Connector is included standard with the MC power option).

When no external power supply option (AC or DC) is selected, Output 1/J1 is Pass DC Standard.
When external power supply option is selected, all outputs are DC blocked standard.

Contact GPS Networking Technical Support at 1-800-463-3063 or salestech@gpsnetworking.com for any questions regarding non-standard configurations and corresponding part numbers.

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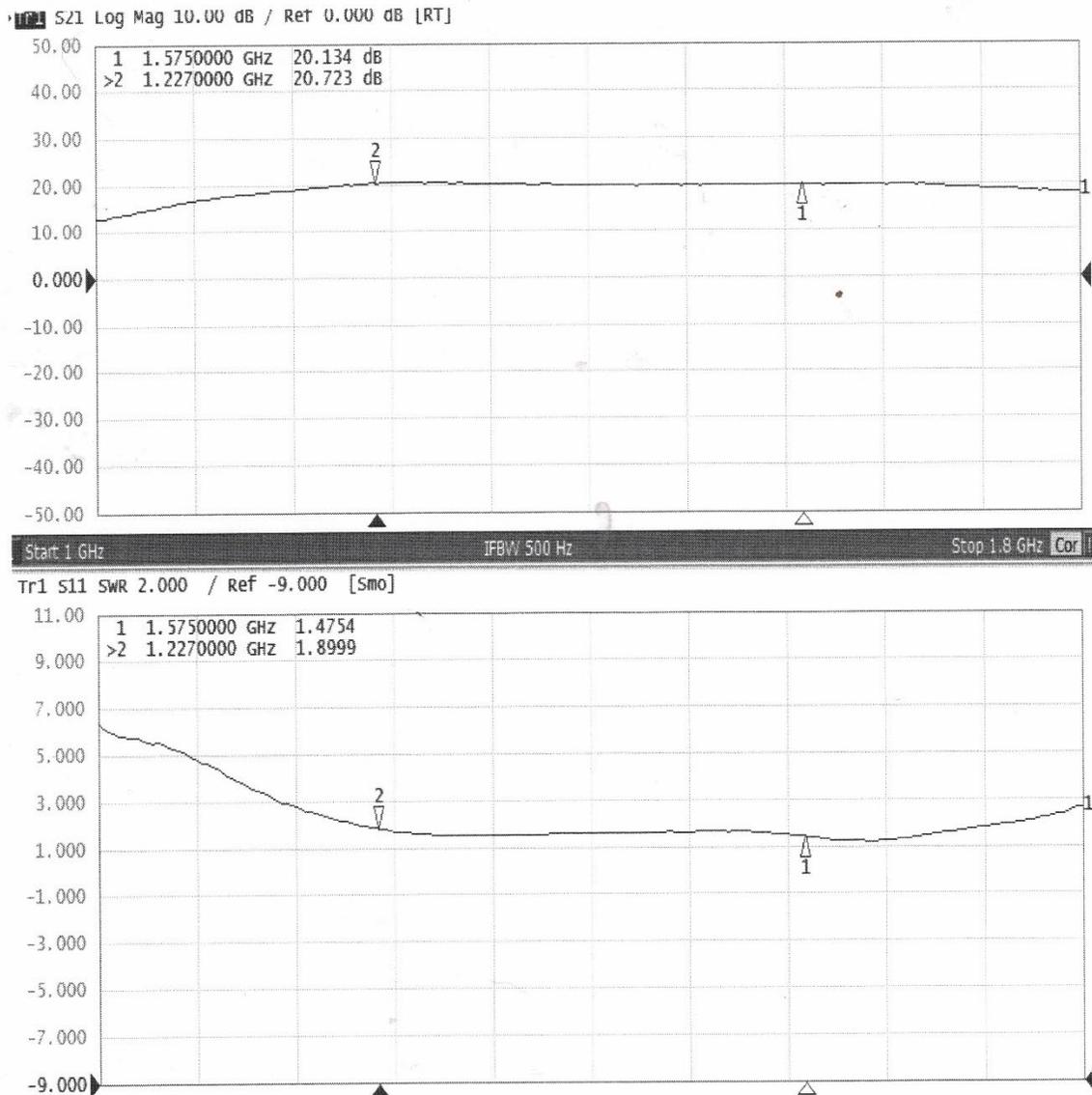


Performance

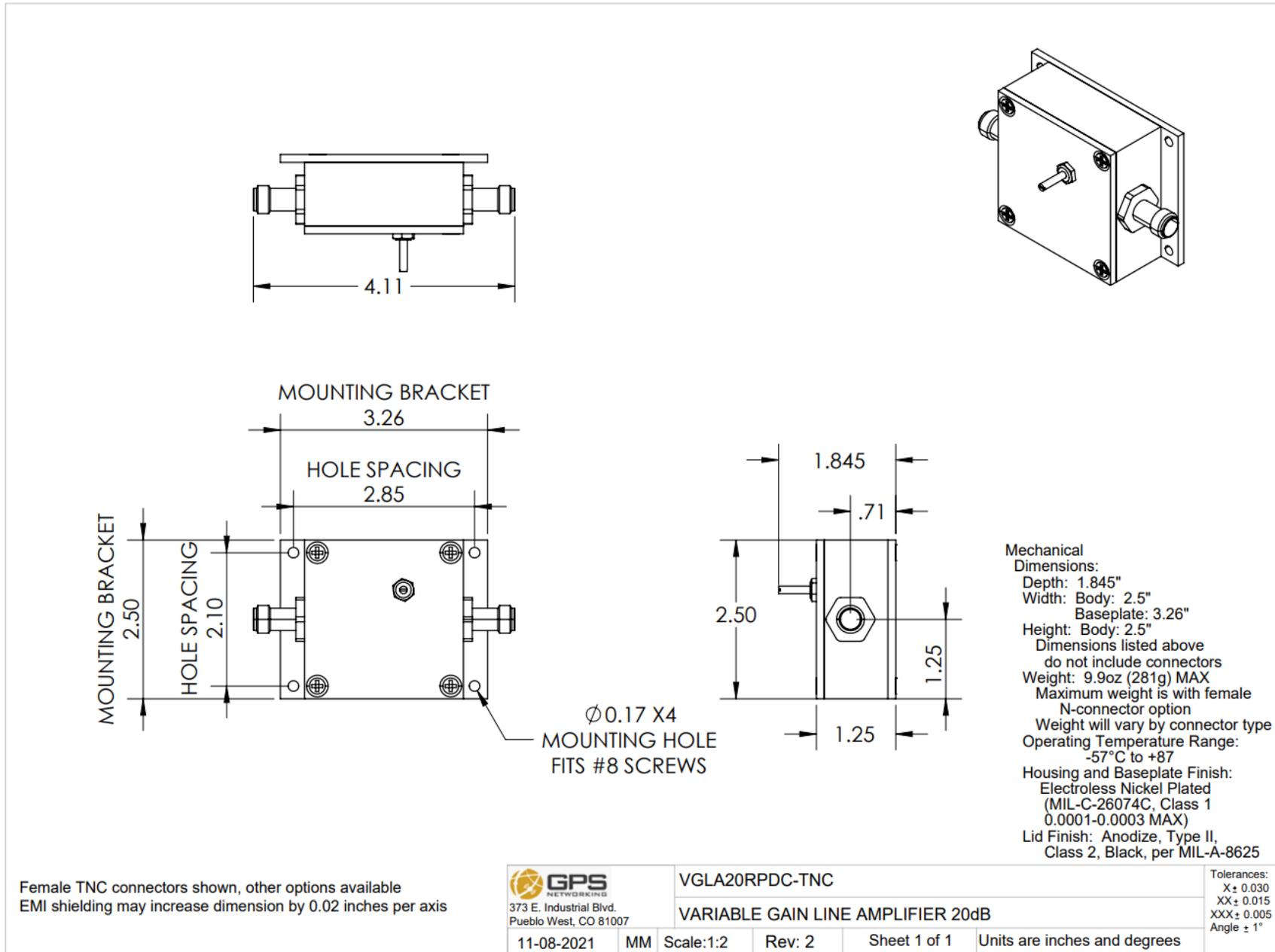
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Each VGLA20RPDC ships with a test sheet that verifies critical performance characteristics, such as gain, input VSWR, and amplitude balance; a typical VNA test sheet is shown below.

GPS NETWORKING Test Data



Mechanical



Contact us at salestech@gpsnetworking.com for 3D models or CAD drawings.