

# **VGU010**

## 10-Channel, Modular, Variable/ Fixed Gain Unit





The VGU010 system provides fixed gain &/ or attenuation control of IF, L-Band & SHF based signals, which can be used for balancing during commissioning to overcome differences in cross-site cable losses, as well as providing a useful facility for earth station operators to adjust the gain of uplink/ downlink chains remotely. SHF units can be used for coverage and capacity layer testing for 5G networks.

The VGU010 is a multi-channel variable gain unit which can accommodate up to 10off MVG00x variable gain/ attenuation channels or MFG00x fixed gain channels, each of which are modular, 'hot-swappable' and can be inserted/ replaced in the VGU010 unit from the rear without the need to remove power or disturb the other channels in any way.

The MVG00x/ MFG00x modules are available for use at either IF (70MHz ±18MHz/ 140MHz ±36MHz), L-Band (950-2150MHz) & SHF (for example 3.4-3.8GHz for 5G networks) and can be positioned in either the uplink or downlink chain. Each module houses a single IF, L-Band or SHF channel and can be fitted with fail-safe switching option.

The VGU010 chassis is mains powered with dual (redundant), modular, hot-swappable power supplies, as standard.

# **Peak Features**

Flexible; modular, 'hot-swappable', expandable solution

Active & passive slope compensation options

Full remote control of MVG00x signal variable attenuation, 0-30dB range with fine 0.1dB adjustment control

Full alarm monitoring

Ability to support integral passive splitter/ combiner modules

Redundant power supplies with dual mains input

## VGU010 chassis - Typical Specification

Number of channels 1 to 10 (each MVG00x/ MFG00x denotes a single

### MVG00x - Variable Attenuation Module

### **Typical RF Performance**

MVG001; 50-200MHz MVG002: 950-2150MHz MVG005: 3.4-3.8GHz MVG006; 3.4-4.2GHz MVG007; 10.7-12.75GHz Connector type SMA (f), 500hm

DC & 10MHz pass

Allows DC & 10MHz signals on the L-Band input to be passed through to the output (Option 4)

1 dB GCP Input 0dBm, output +1dBm 14dB nom (input and output) Return loss Insertion loss\* 1dB nom at min attenuation

Option 6a; Gain of 15dB nom, at min attenuation Option 6b; Gain of 27dB nom, at min attenuation

Attenuation control

0-30dB, stepped 0.1dB ±0.5dB from 0 to 40°C Gain stability

±0.1dB per week (constant temp) ±1.5dB (MVG002 & 5 over full band) Gain flatness

±0.5dB (across any 36MHz in band) ±0.5dB over IF band (MVG001)

Bypass (Option 5) Fail-safe switching to external user selectable pad Bypass connection SMA (f), 500hm (2 connections per channel) 1dB (plus external pad fixed attenuation value) Bypass insertion loss

### MFG00x - Fixed Gain Module

### Typical RF Performance

Note; performance as above, unless stated below;

50-200MHz MFG001; MFG002: 950-1450MHz MFG003: 950-1750MHz MFG004: 950-2150MHz MFG005; 3.4-3.8GHz MFG006; 3.4-4.2GHz MFG007: 10.7-12.75GHz

RF input power -10dBm max (no load, no damage)

TOIP +25dBm 1dB output GCP +13dBm

16dB nom (input and output) Return loss

Gain 20dB nom Option 7a; 30dB nom

40dB nom Option 7b:

±0.25dB (bandwidths ≤500MHz) Gain flatness

±0.5dB (MFG003)

±1dB (MFG004 & 5)

### Other

#### L-Band Linear Slope compensation (Option 15, 15b)

Compensates for internal circuitry & external primarily cross-site cables. Note; unit options chosen will determine 'surplus' available for ex contact factory).

950-2150MHz Frequency

Passive (Option 15); 5dB nom., fixed positive compensation Active (Option 15b); 2 to 8dB nom., settable positive compensation

**Mechanical** 

Width 19", standard rack mount

Height 2U (3.5")

Depth 534mm (21"), plus connectors

Construction Aluminium chassis

Weight

VGU010 Approx. 4kgs (9lbs) MVG/MFG Approx. 0.5kg (1lb) MPS001 Approx. 0.5kg (1lb)

**Environmental** 

Operating temp -10°C to +50°C

EN55022 part B & EN50082-1 **EMC** 

EN60950 Safety

#### MPS001 power supply (modular, dual, redundant)

U010 unit, spare modules available

Input voltage 90-264VAC Input frequency 47-63Hz

Power 100 Watts max. (10 channels installed)

#### **Control System Interface**

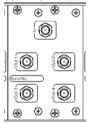
Remote control Ethernet

PSU 1 & 2 failure Alarms

Channel alarms (1-10) Connector MDR, 50-way

#### Splitter/ Combiner Modules (MSC004, MSC008)

Chassis can support 4-way (MSC004) & 8-way (MSC008) passive splitter/ combiner modules (option dependent), please consult factory for details and availability.

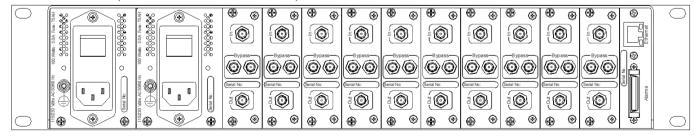


#### **Options**

- 4) DC & 10MHz pass-through
- 5) Fail safe by-pass switching
- Fail safe by-pass attenuator links for option 5 5h)
- 15dB nominal MVG00x gain (at minimum attenuation) 6a) 6b) 27dB nominal MVG00x gain (at minimum attenuation)
- 30dB nominal MFG00x gain 7a)
- 40dB nominal MFG00x gain 7b)
- 15) 5dB passive, fixed, slope compensation
- 2-8dB active, user settable, slope compensation

Notes; the addition of options can modify the typical specification, for details please consult the factory

# Rear Panel View (shown with 10 channels fitted)





<sup>\*</sup> The addition of options 4 & 5 may modify the performance (for details please contact the factory).