

## Precision Dual Voltage Reference

### FEATURES

- ◆  $\pm 10$  V Output,  $\pm 1.6$  mV
- ◆ Temperature Drift: 1.0 ppm/ $^{\circ}$ C
- ◆ Low Noise: 6  $\mu$ V<sub>P-P</sub> (0.1-10Hz)
- ◆ Tracking Error: 0.3 mV
- ◆ Excellent Line Regulation: 6 ppm/V Typical
- ◆ Surface Mount Package

### APPLICATIONS

The VRE410 is recommended for use as a reference for high precision D/A and A/D converters which require an external precision reference. The device is also ideal for calibrating scale factor on high resolution A/D converters. The VRE410 offers superior performance over monolithic references.

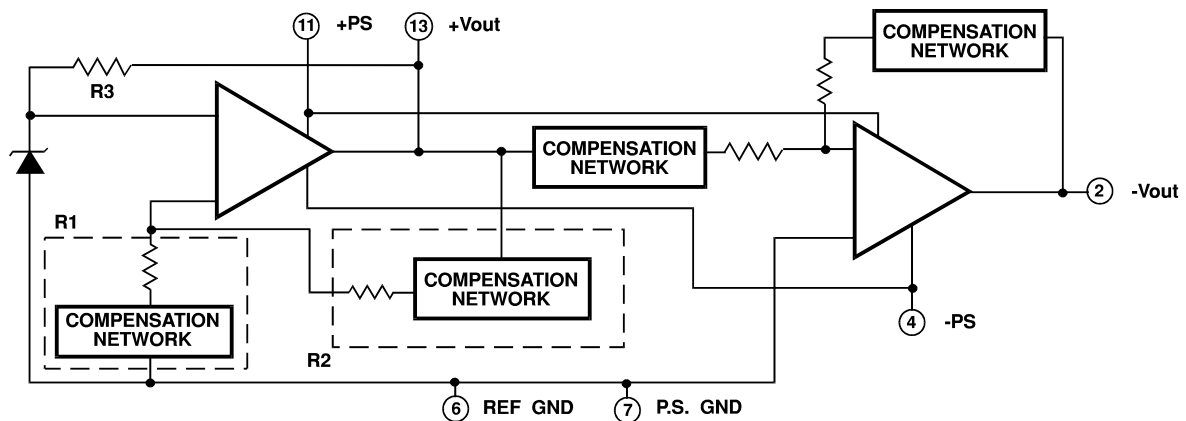
### DESCRIPTION

The VRE410 is a low cost, high precision,  $\pm 10$  V reference. Available in a 14-pin SMT package, the device is ideal for new designs that need a high performance reference.

The device provides ultrastable  $\pm 10$  V output with  $\pm 1.6$  mV initial accuracy and a temperature coefficient of 1.0 ppm/ $^{\circ}$ C. This improvement in accuracy is made possible by a unique, patented multipoint laser compensation technique.

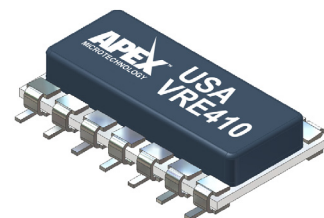
Another key feature of this reference is the 0.5 mV tracking error between the positive and negative output voltages over the full operating temperature range. This is extremely important in high performance systems for reducing overall system errors.

**Figure 1. BLOCK DIAGRAM**



### SELECTION GUIDE

Model	Initial Error (mV)	Temp. Coeff. (ppm/ $^{\circ}$ C)	Temp. Range ( $^{\circ}$ C)
VRE410AS	$\pm 1.6$	1.0	0 $^{\circ}$ C to +70 $^{\circ}$ C
VRE410BS	$\pm 2.0$	2.0	0 $^{\circ}$ C to +70 $^{\circ}$ C
VRE410JS	$\pm 1.6$	1.0	-40 $^{\circ}$ C to +85 $^{\circ}$ C
VRE410LS	$\pm 2.2$	2.2	-40 $^{\circ}$ C to +85 $^{\circ}$ C



**14-pin Surface Mount  
Package Style GE**

# 1. CHARACTERISTICS AND SPECIFICATIONS

## ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

V<sub>PS</sub> = ±15V, T = +25°C, R<sub>L</sub> = 10KΩ Unless Otherwise Noted.

Model Parameter	A/J			B			L			Units
	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
<b>ABSOLUTE RATINGS</b>										
Power Supply	±13.5	±15	±22	*	*	*	*	*	*	V
Operating Temperature (A,B)	0		+70	*		*	*		*	°C
Operating Temperature (J,L)	-40		+85	*		*	*		*	°C
Storage Temperature	-65		+150	*		*	*		*	°C
Short Circuit Protection	Continuous			*			*			
<b>OUTPUT VOLTAGE</b>										
VRE410		±10.0			*			*		V
<b>OUTPUT VOLTAGE ERRORS</b>										
Initial Error (Note 1)			±1.60			±2.00			±2.20	mV
Warmup Drift		1			2			3		ppm
T <sub>MIN</sub> - T <sub>MAX</sub> (Note 2)			1.0			2.0			2.2	ppm/°C
Tracking Error (Note 3)		0.5			0.7			1.0		mV
Long-Term Stability		6			*			*		ppm/1000hrs.
Noise (0.1 - 10Hz)		6			*			*		µVpp
<b>OUTPUT CURRENT</b>										
Range	±10			*						mA
<b>REGULATION</b>										
Line		3			*			*		ppm/V
Load		3			*			*		ppm/mA
<b>POWER SUPPLY CURRENT (Note 4)</b>										
+PS		7			*			*		mA
-PS		4			*			*		mA

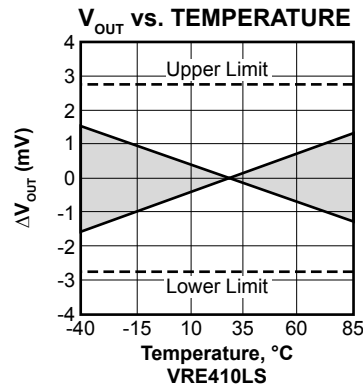
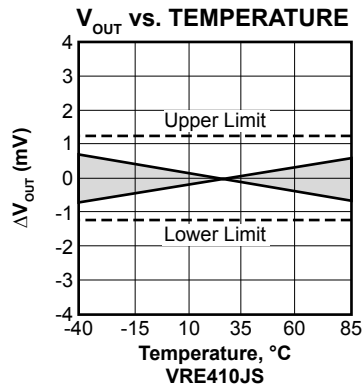
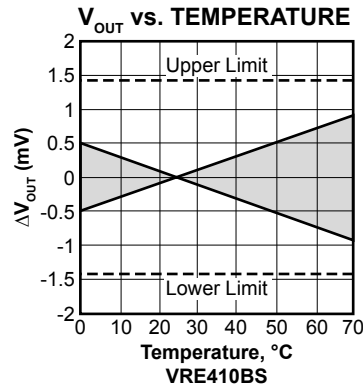
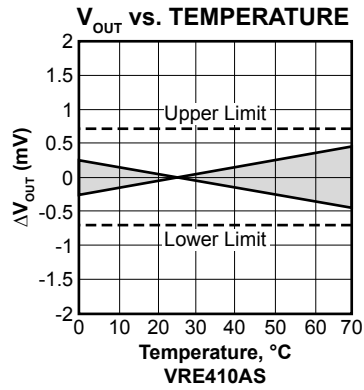
**NOTES:**

- \* Same as A/J Models.
- 1. The specified values are without external trim.
- 2. The temperature coefficient (TC) is determined by the box method using the following formula:

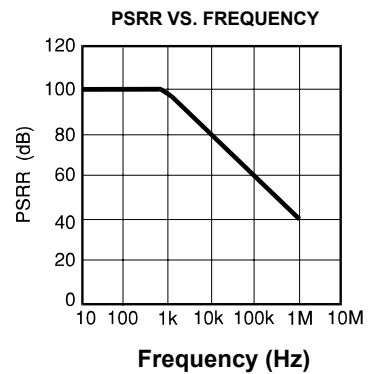
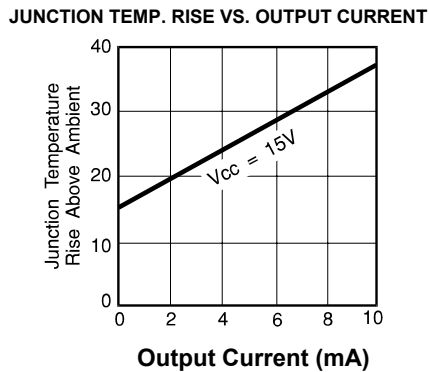
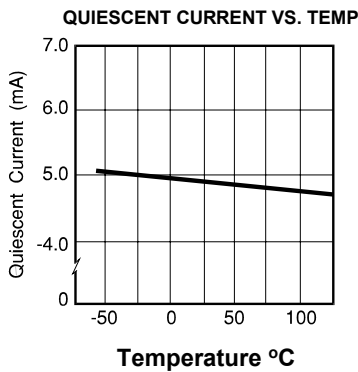
$$T.C. = \frac{V_{MAX} - V_{MIN}}{V_{NOMINAL} \times (T_{MAX} - T_{MIN})} \times 10^6$$

- 3. The tracking error is the deviation between the positive and negative output over the operating temp. range.
- 4. The specified values are unloaded.

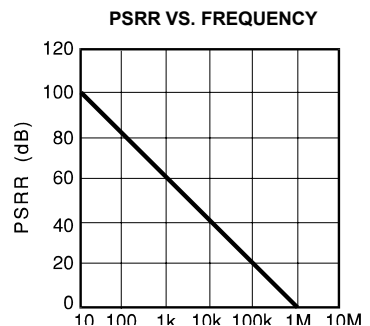
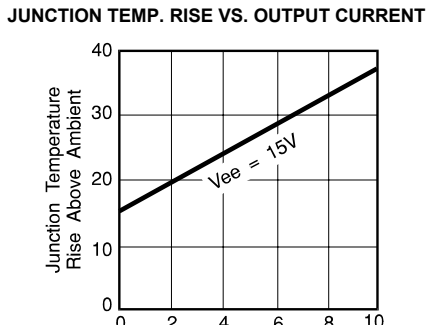
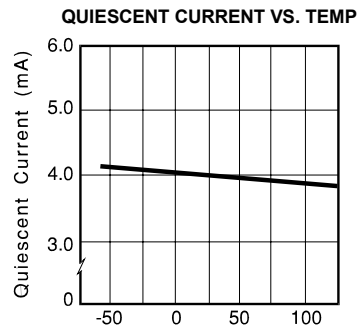
## 2. TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CURVES



----- POSITIVE OUTPUT (TYP) -----



----- NEGATIVE OUTPUT (TYP) -----



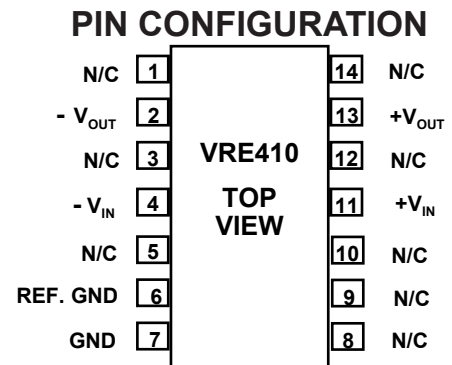
### 3. THEORY OF OPERATION

The following discussion refers to the block diagram in Figure 1. In operation, approximately 6.3 V is applied to the noninverting input of the op amp. The voltage is amplified by the op amp to produce a 10 V output. The gain is determined by the networks R1 and R2:  $G=1 + R2/R1$ . The 6.3 V zener diode is used because it is the most stable diode over time and temperature.

The zener operating current is derived from the regulated output voltage through R3. This feedback arrangement provides a closely regulated zener current. This current determines the slope of the references' voltage vs. temperature function. By trimming the zener current a lower drift over temperature can be achieved. But since the voltage vs. temperature function is nonlinear this compensation technique is not well suited for wide temperature ranges.

A nonlinear compensation network of thermistors and resistors is used in the VRE series voltage references. This proprietary network eliminates most of the nonlinearity in the voltage vs. temperature function. By then adjusting the slope, a very stable voltage is produced over wide temperature ranges.

The VRE400 series voltage references have the ground terminal brought out on two pins (pin 6 and 7) which are connected together internally. This allows the user to achieve greater accuracy when using a socket. Voltage references have a voltage drop across their power supply ground pin due to quiescent current flowing through the contact resistance. If the contact resistance was constant with time and temperature, this voltage drop could be trimmed out. When the reference is plugged into a socket, this source of error can be as high as 20 ppm. By connecting pin 7 to the power supply ground and pin 6 to a high impedance ground point in the measurement circuit, the error due to the contact resistance can be eliminated. If the unit is soldered into place the contact resistance is sufficiently small that it doesn't effect performance.



### 4. POWER SUPPLY SEQUENCING

Do not operate the VRE410 with only one power supply terminal connected. This device requires the positive power supply voltage to lead the negative power supply voltage. The positive power supply must be applied prior to the negative power supply.

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