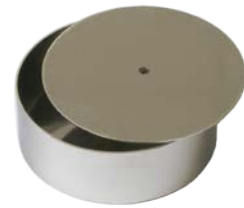




VG103S



VG103S-2LND



Magnetic shield



## FIBER OPTIC GYROSCOPE

### VG103S SERIES

#### Information Guide

Output	VG103S	Extension	Key Features	Fiber length, m
<i>differential</i>			<i>Basic model</i>	<i>100</i>
		<i>E</i>	<i>Economy design</i>	<i>50</i>
<i>digital</i>		<i>D</i>	<i>Built-in ADC</i>	<i>100</i>
		<i>2LND</i>	<i>Built-in ADC</i>	<i>200</i>

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## 1. Introduction

### 1.1. Scope<sup>1</sup>

This guide describes fiber optic gyroscope main features. Suggestions on product use, handling and installation are given.

### 1.2. Product Description

The Fizoptika gyro is a complete gyro system which comprises a [fiber optic sensing assembly](#) and analog processing electronics. The sensing assembly (an open-loop minimum configuration) is fabricated from a single length of optical fiber by a fusion-tapering technique.

The series features ultra-compact fully plastic structure.

The basic model VG103S offers optimal combination of high performance and superb shock/vibration endurance.

See product main parameters in [Annex 1](#) (analog models) / [Annex 2](#) (digital models), outline dimensions, pins assignment, axes definition in [Annex 3](#) (analog models)/ [Annex 4](#) (digital models).

With an exclusive technology of precise polarization control the models acquire [Minimum Magnetic Sensitivity](#) about 1°/h/Gauss. For many applications the gyros may be used without heavy magnetic shielding.

To achieve ultimate magnetic immunity an optional shield is available at extra cost (see [Annex 5](#)).

### 1.3. Essential

The gyro housing is silicone sealed. Keep the product dry during its whole lifetime.

Do not drop. Excessive shock can damage the unit.

Use standard ESD practices when handling the unit.

## 2. Electrical Characteristics

### 2.1. Powering

The gyro requires a clean and stable 5Vdc (±5%) power supply. Voltages greater than 5.5V (or reversing polarity) can

cause some components to heat and eventually fail. Smooth voltage transient at power-on is recommended.

See the electrical diagram in [Annex 6](#) (analog models) / [Annex 7](#) (digital models).

### 2.2. Differential Output

The gyro provides output voltages via two leads (OUT+, OUT-) each biased at  $U_0=1V$  to Common lead (GND).

$$U(+)=U_0+\frac{1}{2}SF\cdot\Omega\quad U(-)=U_0-\frac{1}{2}SF\cdot\Omega$$

$$\text{Output voltage } U(\Omega)=U(+)-U(-)=SF\cdot\Omega$$

The output voltage range is ±2V.

The output impedance is 1kΩ (to GND). 2<sup>nd</sup> order LPF cut-off frequency is ~1kHz (see the diagram in [Annex 9](#)).

**Diagnostics.** If gyro fails,  $U_0 \neq 1V$ .

The SF and bias are slightly sensitive to supply voltage. The sensitivity coefficients are individual for each unit. Values for reference: SF – 0.05%/V, bias – 0.1 mV/V.

### 2.3. Temperature Output

The gyro provides temperature data via TS lead:

$$V(TS)=0.5+t^{\circ}C/100\quad [V]$$

Temperature output is single-ended.

### 2.4. Digital Output

The digital model incorporates an analog processing circuit and digital circuit integrated into a single PCB. It is equipped with precise 24-bit ADC and powerful processor. It can be factory programmed to provide real time compensated data. The digital signal (RS422, 920kBd, 8kHz rate) contains angular rate raw data and set of gyro parameters used for data compensation and built-in test. Read more in [Fiber Optic Gyroscope Digital Output](#).

<sup>1</sup> The information presented in this document is believed to be correct. Fizoptika accepts no liability for any errors it might contain and reserves the right to alter specifications without prior notice. All pictures shown are for illustration purpose only. The actual product may vary due to the ongoing product enhancement. All dimensions given are for info only.

## 2.5. Effect of Environment

### ♦ Temperature

- **Bias** ~ 0.1-1  $\mu\text{V} / ^\circ\text{C}$  (temperature sensitivity of the components of analog processing circuit)
- **SF** ~ 0.02 -0.04% /  $^\circ\text{C}$  (temperature dependence of SLD spectrum – optical sensor natural feature - **NF**)

### ♦ Magnetic field (minimized response, non-shielded)

- **Bias** ~ 1°/h/Gauss (along X axis, nonadjustable response -**NF**)
- **SF** is not sensitive (**NF**)

### ♦ Vibration

- **Bias** is not sensitive (no g and  $g^2$  components - **NF**)
- **Noise** spectrum factor 1-20  $\mu\text{V} / \text{g} \cdot \text{Hz}$  (direction dependent)
- **SF** is not sensitive (**NF**)

Typical plots of the bias and noise contributors in [Annex 8](#).

## 3. Mounting Guidelines

The VG103S is lightweight. There is no need for a strong joint to a mating frame (object). There is a variety of simple methods how to attach the gyro not deforming its housing. The adhesive mounting is most recommended as it does not deliver any stress to the gyro and is quite reliable. It also provides sufficiently high resonance of the joint with low Q-factor.

Clamping is another possible method. Using plastic tighteners, ties, adhesive tapes, etc. is proved to be practical.

## 3.1. Adhesive Mounting

- Apply silicon adhesive to the bottom of the gyro.
- The mating surface should be flat and clean.
- Aim for an adhesive thickness of 0.2-0.4 mm.

## 3.2. Mating Frame

Resonances of the mating frame and the gyro to frame joints (adhesive or mechanical) should exceed vibration frequencies. Otherwise, an extra noise at the output is possible because the gyro may acquire much higher levels of vibration compared to the mating frame.

## 3.3. Cable Routing

Use flexible cables with a low weight per length. Make sure that cable bending does not result in contacts stress.

## 4. Analog output reading

The outputs are DC-coupled and can be used in either single-ended or differential mode. Differential mode offers the best performance since the common mode errors and noise are minimized. The positive and negative outputs of the unit should be connected to differential input amplifiers with an input impedance of at least 500kOhm referred to ground. The amplifier should also have a good common mode rejection and a suitable bandwidth for the application.

## Annex 1. Product Main Parameters (analog models)

<b>PERFORMANCE</b>		<b>VG103S / VG103SE</b>
Input range (°/s)		400
Bias stability / Bias repeatability* (RMS, °/h)		1
Angle random walk (°/√h)		0.02
Bandwidth (kHz)		1
SF stability / SF repeatability* (RMS, %)		0.02
<b>ELECTRICAL INTERFACE</b>		
Start-up (s)		0.03
Powering (W)		0.5
<b>PHYSICAL PARAMETERS</b>		
Dimensions (mm)		∅55 x 17
Weight (gram)		40
Volume (cl)		4
Housing material		plastic
<b>ENVIRONMENT</b>		
Operating temperature (°C)		-40...+70
Endurance temperature (>2 h, °C)		-55...+85
Vibration (RMS, 0.02 - 2 kHz, g)		30 / 18
Shocks (g, 1 ms)		1200 / 750
<b>RELIABILITY</b>		
MTBF (20°C) / Lifetime (yrs)**		15 / 10

\* Day-to-day repeatability at fixed temperature and supply voltage

\*\* Humidity conditions applied

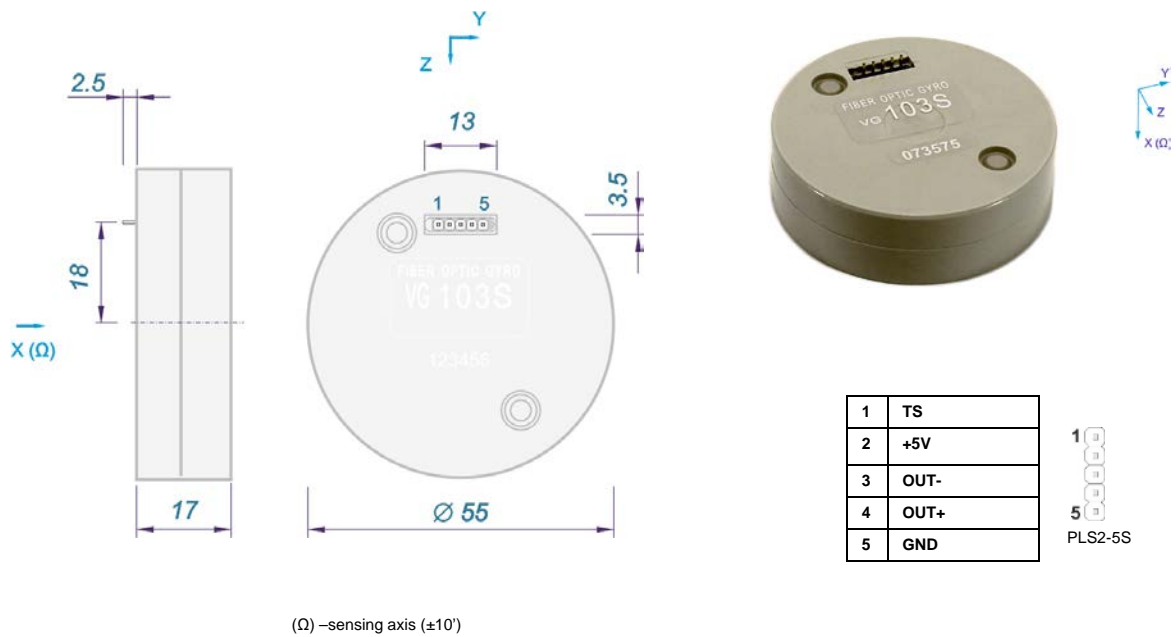
## Annex 2. Product Main Parameters (digital models)

PERFORMANCE	VG103SD / VG103S-2LND
Input range (°/s)	400 / 200
Bandwidth (kHz)	1
Angle random walk (°/√h)	0.01 / 0.007
Bias stability / Bias repeatability* (RMS, °/h)	1
SF stability / SF repeatability* (RMS, %)	0.02
<b>ELECTRICAL INTERFACE</b>	
Data rate (kHz)	8
Initialization (s)	0.03
Powering (W)	0.7
<b>PHYSICAL PARAMETERS</b>	
Dimensions (mm)	∅55 x 17
Weight (gram)	40
Volume (cl)	4
Housing material	plastic
<b>ENVIRONMENT</b>	
Operating temperature (°C)	-40...+70
Endurance temperature (>2 h, °C)	-55...+85
Vibration (RMS, 0.02 - 2 kHz, g)	18
Shocks (g, 1 ms)	350
<b>RELIABILITY</b>	
MTBF (20°C) / Lifetime (yrs)**	15

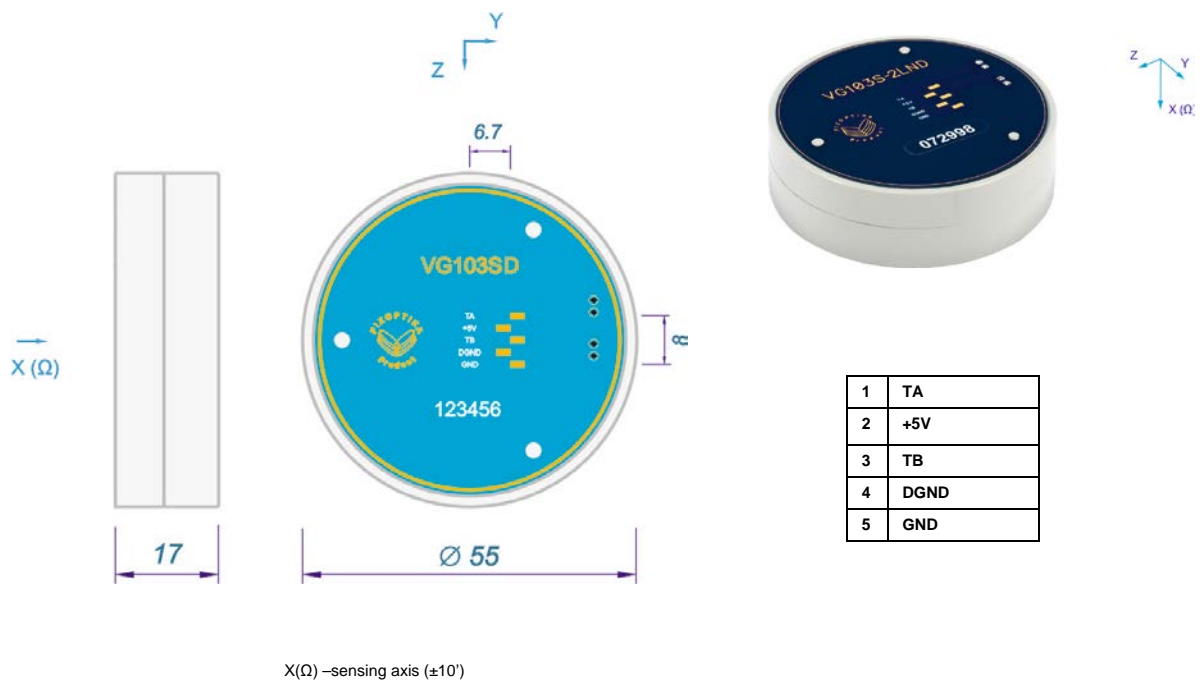
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### Annex 3. Outline Drawing, Axes Definition, Pin Assignment (analog models)



### Annex 4. Outline Drawing, Axes Definition, Pin Assignment (digital models)



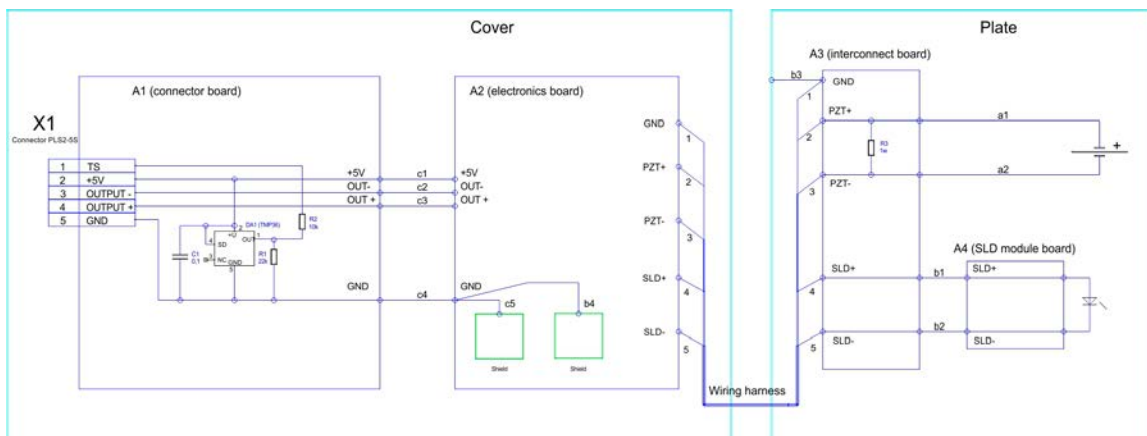
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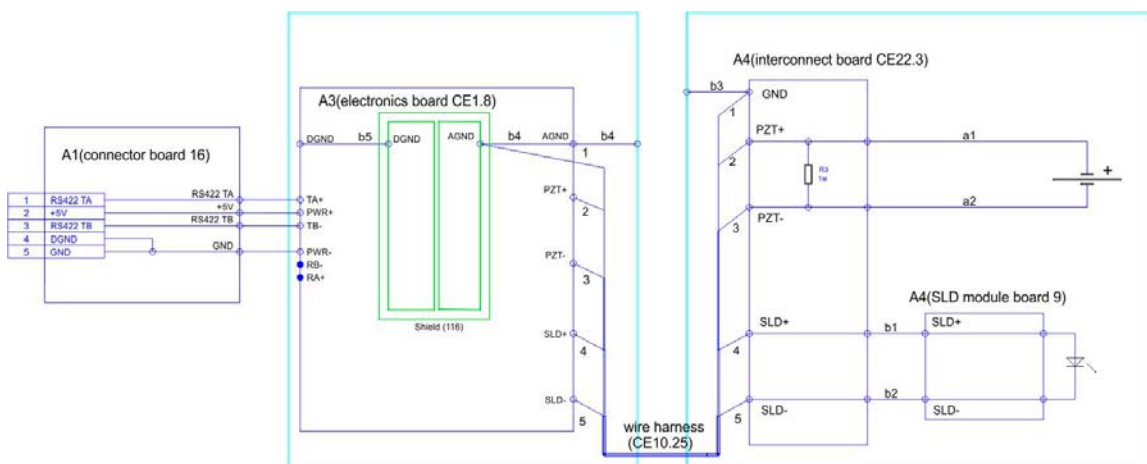
Parameter	Value
Dimensions (mm)	∅56.5 x 21
Weight (gram)	50
Shielded gyro magnetic response (°/h/Gauss)	0.03 typ

## Annex 6. Electrical Diagram (analog models)

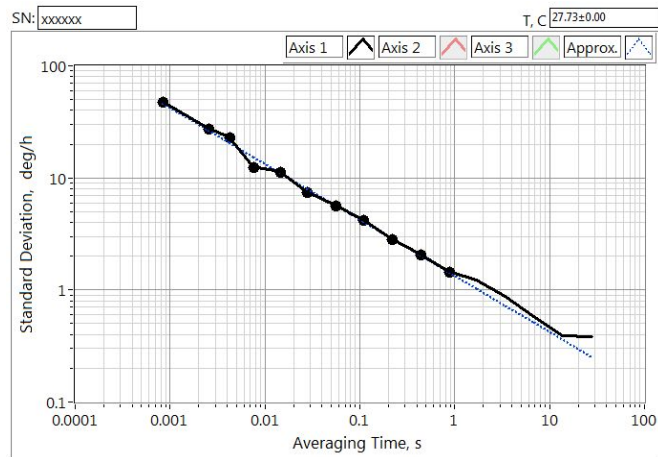
The minimal configuration electronics drives the internal light diode (SLD) and phase modulator (PZT) for signal conditioning. It performs precise demodulation of the optical signal to form gyro raw output.



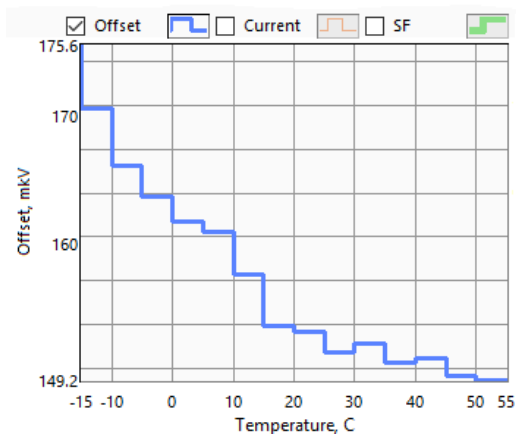
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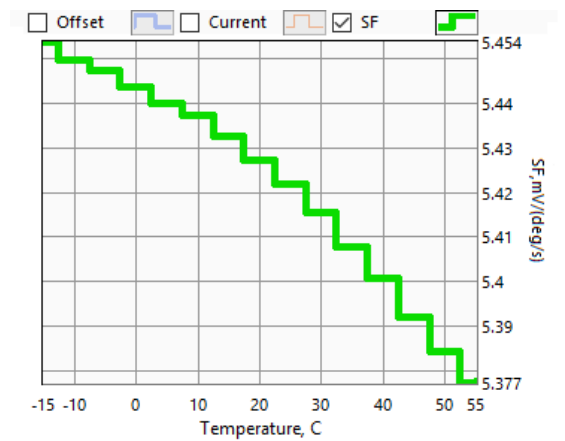
## Annex 8. Typical Test Data



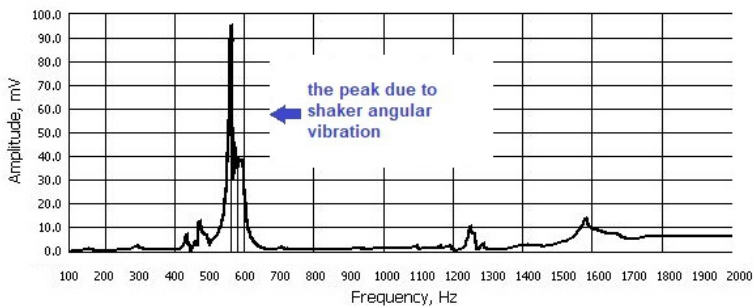
Allan Variance Plot



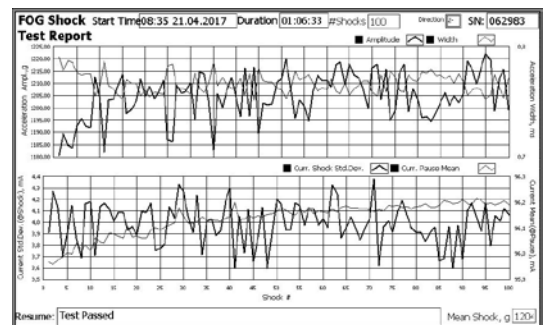
Bias vs Temperature



SF vs Temperature

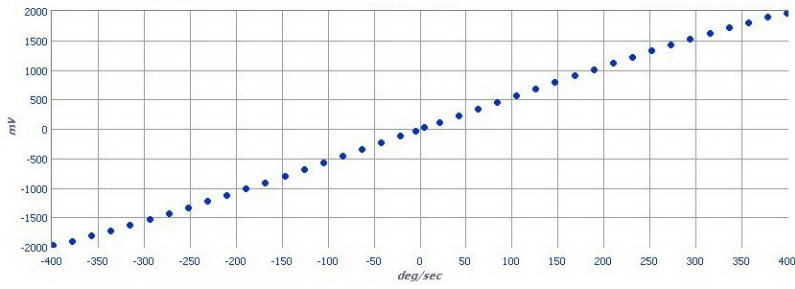


Output Component (AC) vs SINE Vibration  
(2 g normalized)

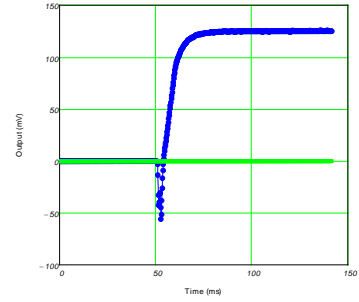


Shock Test Record (Z Direction)  
(1200g, 0.7 ms)

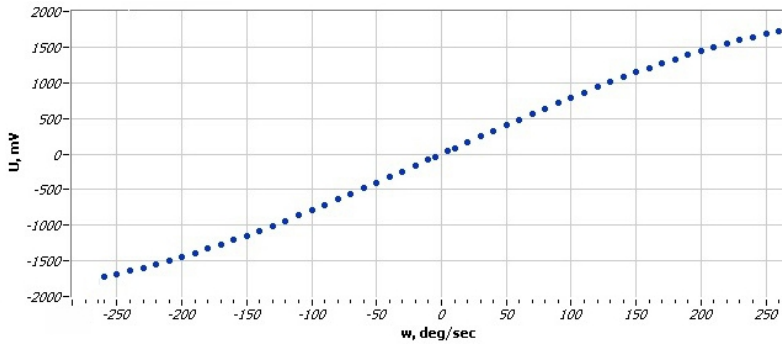




VG103S. Output Voltage vs Angular Rate



Power-on Transient (ms)  
as Gyro Rotates 20 deg/s, time resolution 0.2ms



VG103S-2LND. Output Voltage vs Angular Rate

### Annex 9. Output LP filter diagram

