

# Reference Manual

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## EPM-PS1

PC/104-Plus Power Supply  
Module



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# Product Release Notes

## ***Rev 3 Release***

Charlie release EPM-PS1a model only—no battery backup function.

## ***Rev 2 Release***

Beta release.

## ***Rev 1 Release***

Pre-production only. No customer shipments.

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## Features

The EPM-PS1 is a DC switching power supply designed for high reliability in a wide variety of applications. The rugged design is conservatively rated to provide continuous 50 watt power output. When designing stacking PC/104-*Plus* compatible systems, OEMs and system integrators are able to develop entire systems using VersaLogic CPUs, I/O expansion modules and power supplies. Its features include:

- PC/104-*Plus* compliant footprint.
- Transient voltage suppression provides enhanced ESD protection.
- Protected against output over-current, input over-current, and input polarity reversal.
- Engineered to minimize heat generation with 91% peak efficiency.
- Designed to provide -40° to +85°C operation for reliable use in harsh environments.
- Full compliance with EU Directive 2002/95/EC (RoHS) for devices used in Europe.
- Power is supplied into the PC/104-*Plus* (PCI) and PC/104 (ISA) buses or can be accessed from the screw clamp terminal blocks.
- Each voltage output can be enabled or disabled with an external input signal.

All EPM-PS1 boards are subjected to functional testing and are backed by a limited two-year warranty. Careful parts sourcing and US-based technical support ensure the highest possible quality, reliability, service and product longevity for this exceptional PC/104-*Plus* module.

## Technical Specifications

**Board Size:**

3.55" x 3.775" (90 mm x 96 mm),  
PC/104 compliant

**Storage Temperature:**

-40° C to +85° C

**Operating Temperature:**

-40° C to +60° C at 50W, derated to  
25W at +85° C (See Figure 11. Power  
Supply Derating Curve on page 17.)

**Input Voltage Range:**

+9V to +40V DC

**+5V Output:**

50W (10A) max. continuous from -40° C  
to +60° C, derated to 25W (5A) at +85°  
C (See Figure 11. Power Supply  
Derating Curve on page 17.)

**±12V Outputs:**

1.8W (150 mA) each max. continuous  
from -40° C to +85° C

**Output Regulation:**

1% – all outputs

**Output Voltage Ripple:**

5V output : 30 mV pk-pk at 50% load  
±12V output: 30 mv pk-pk at 50% load

**Switching Frequency:**

5V output: 200 KHz fixed  
± 12V output: 1.2 MHz fixed

**Bus Compatibility:**

PC/104 (ISA)  
PC/104-Plus (PCI)

**Humidity:**

Less than 95%, noncondensing

**ESD Protection:**

Transient voltage suppression and  
overload protection

**Input Protection:**

Transient voltage suppression and  
fuse

**Output Protection:**

Current limiting and transient voltage  
suppression

**Weight:**

0.239 lbs (0.108 kg)

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

# Block Diagram

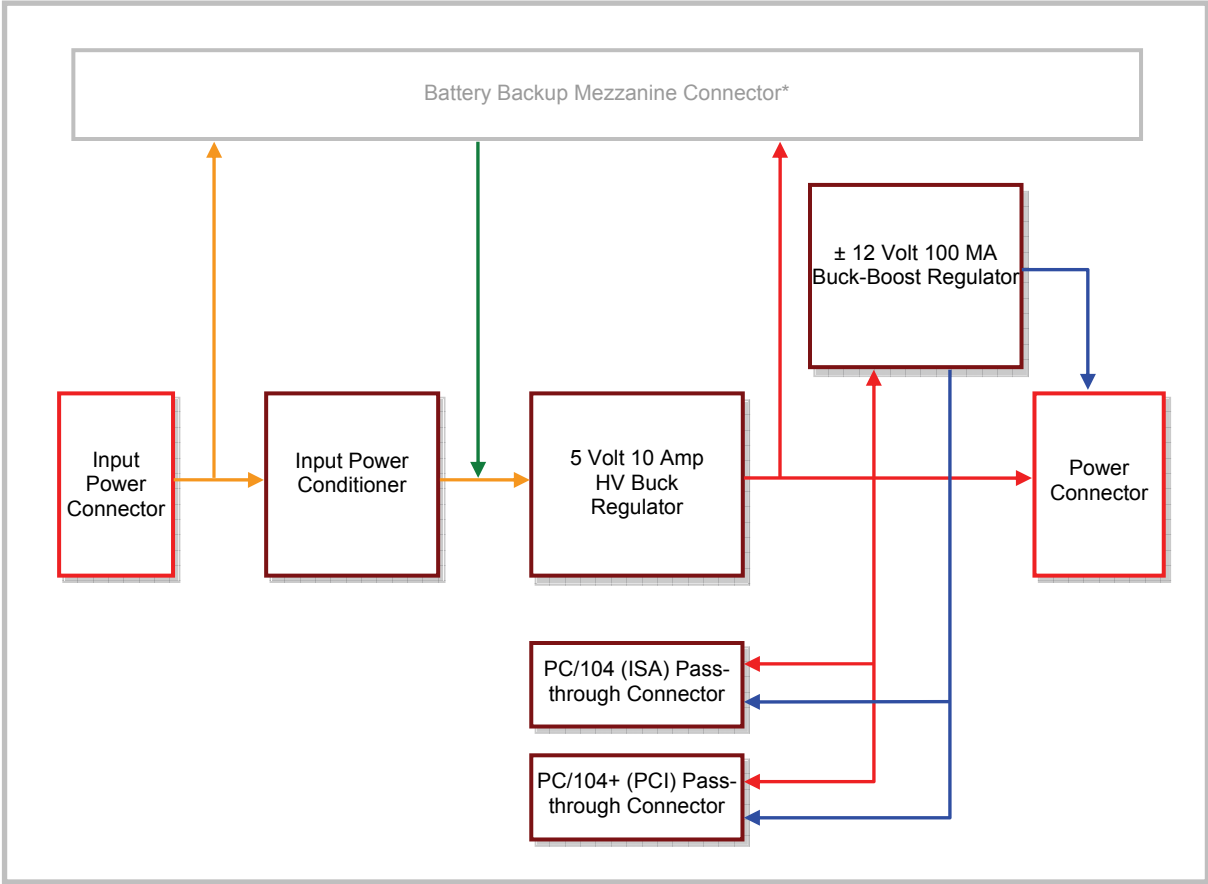


Figure 1. EPM-PS1 Block Diagram

Orange = Input Power. Red = 5V Output Power. Blue = ±12V Power Output. Green = Battery backup from battery card.

\* Battery backup feature is not implemented on the EPM-PS1a model.

## RoHS-Compliance

The EPM-PS1 is RoHS-compliant.

### ABOUT ROHS

In 2003, the European Union issued Directive 2002/95/EC regarding the Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS) in electrical and electronic equipment.

The RoHS directive requires producers of electrical and electronic equipment to reduce to acceptable levels the presence of six environmentally sensitive substances: lead, mercury, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, and the presence of polybrominated biphenyls (PBB) and polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDE) flame retardants, in certain electrical and electronic products sold in the European Union (EU) beginning July 1, 2006.

VersaLogic Corporation is committed to supporting customers with high-quality products and services meeting the European Union's RoHS directive.

## Warnings

### ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage board components. The circuit board must only be handled at an ESD workstation. If an approved station is not available, some measure of protection can be provided by wearing a grounded antistatic wrist strap. Keep all plastic away from the board, and do not slide the board over any surface.

After removing the board from its protective wrapper, place the board on a grounded, static-free surface, component side up. Use an antistatic foam pad if available.

The board should also be protected inside a closed metallic anti-static envelope during shipment or storage.



## TRANSIENT VOLTAGE SUPPRESSION (TVS) DEVICES

The EPM-PS1 circuitry is protected from spike and surge damage by on-board transient voltage suppression (TVS) devices. In order for the TVS devices to function properly, they must be connected to earth ground. This connection is made at the board's lower left mounting hole, as shown in Figure 2. All other mounting holes are floating. Use metal standoffs or a grounding strap to connect the lower left mounting hole to the enclosure chassis, which should be connected to earth ground.

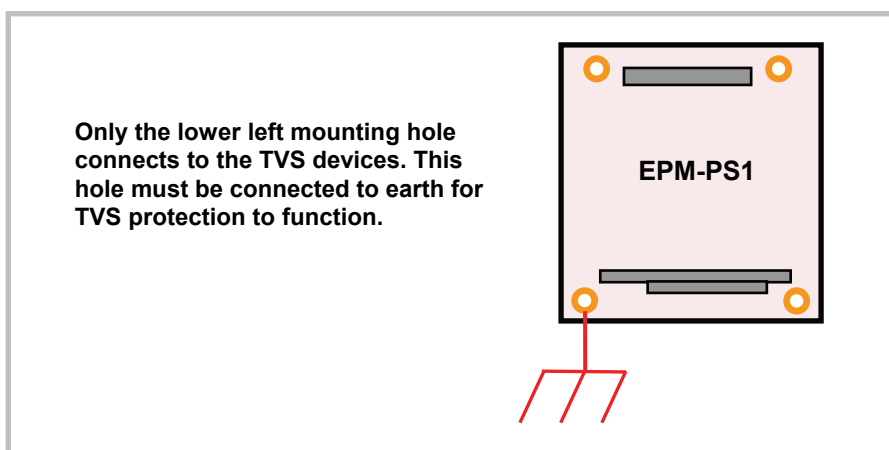


Figure 2. Attaching the EPM-PS1 to Earth Ground

## Technical Support

If you are unable to solve a problem with this manual please, contact VersaLogic technical support at (541) 485-8575. VersaLogic technical support engineers are also available via e-mail at [Support@VersaLogic.com](mailto:Support@VersaLogic.com).

### REPAIR SERVICE

If your product requires service, you must obtain a Returned Material Authorization (RMA) number by calling (541) 485-8575.

Please provide the following information:

- Your name, the name of your company and your phone number
- The name of a technician or engineer that can be contact if any questions arise.
- Quantity of items being returned
- The model and serial number (barcode) of each item
- A detailed description of the problem
- Steps you have taken to resolve or recreate the problem
- The return shipping address

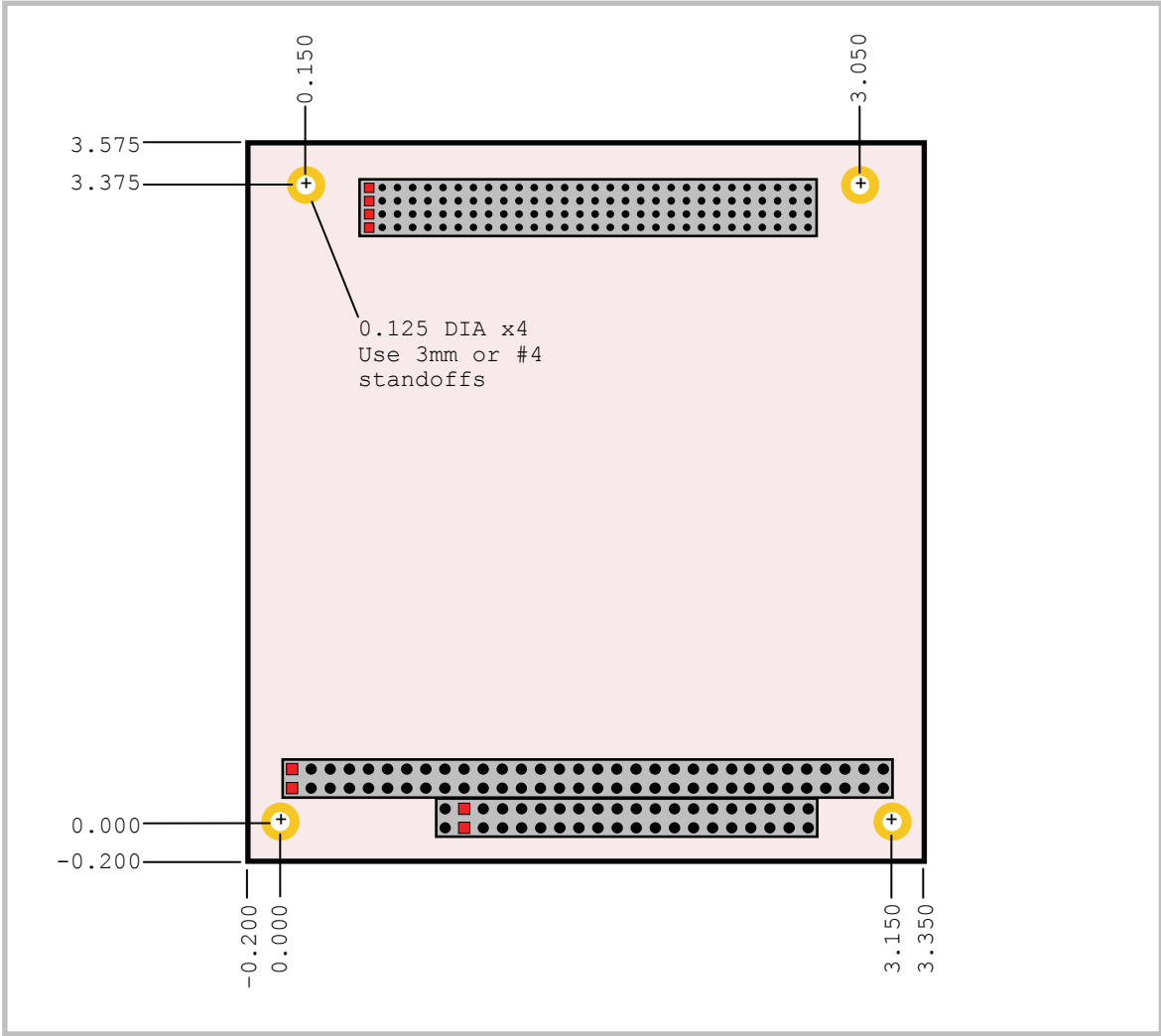
**Warranty Repair** All parts and labor charges are covered, including return shipping charges for UPS Ground delivery to United States addresses.

**Non-warranty Repair** All non-warranty repairs are subject to diagnosis and labor charges, parts charges and return shipping fees. Please specify the shipping method you prefer and provide a purchase order number for invoicing the repair.

**Note** Please mark the RMA number clearly on the outside of the box before returning. Failure to do so can delay the processing of your return.

## Dimensions and Mounting

The EPM-PS1 complies with all PC/104-Plus standards, which provide for specific mounting hole and stack locations as shown in the diagram below.



**Figure 3. EPM-PS1 Dimensions and Mounting Holes**  
*(Not to scale. All dimensions in inches.)*

**Caution** The board must be supported at all four mounting points to prevent excessive flexing when expansion modules are mated and detached. Flex damage caused by excessive force on an improperly mounted circuit board is not covered under the product warranty.

### HARDWARE ASSEMBLY

The EPM-PS1 uses PC/104 and PC/104-Plus connectors so that expansion modules can be added to the top of the stack. PC/104 (ISA) modules must not be positioned between the EPM-PS1 and any PC/104-Plus (PCI) modules on the stack.

The entire assembly can sit on a table top or be secured to a base plate. When bolting the unit down, make sure to secure all four standoffs to the mounting surface to prevent circuit board flexing. Standoffs are secured to the top circuit board using four pan head screws. Standoffs and screws are available as part number VL-HDW-101.

An extractor tool is available (part number VL-HDW-203) to separate the PC/104 modules from the stack. Use caution when using the extractor tool not to damage any board components.

### STACK ARRANGEMENT EXAMPLE

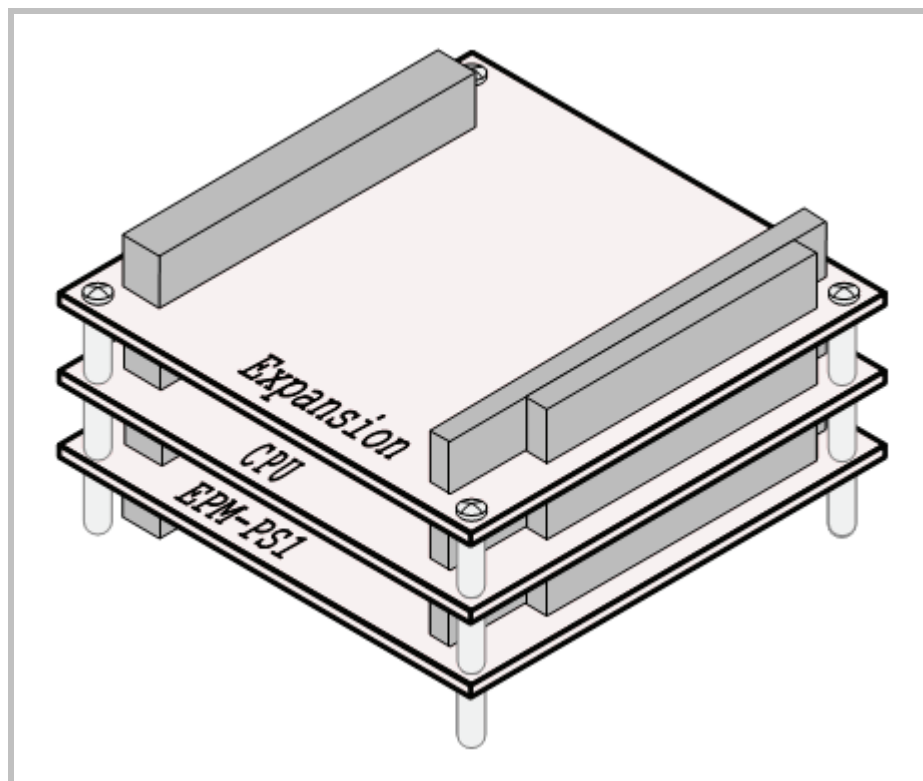


Figure 4. Stack Arrangement Example

## External Connectors

### EPM-PS1 CONNECTORS

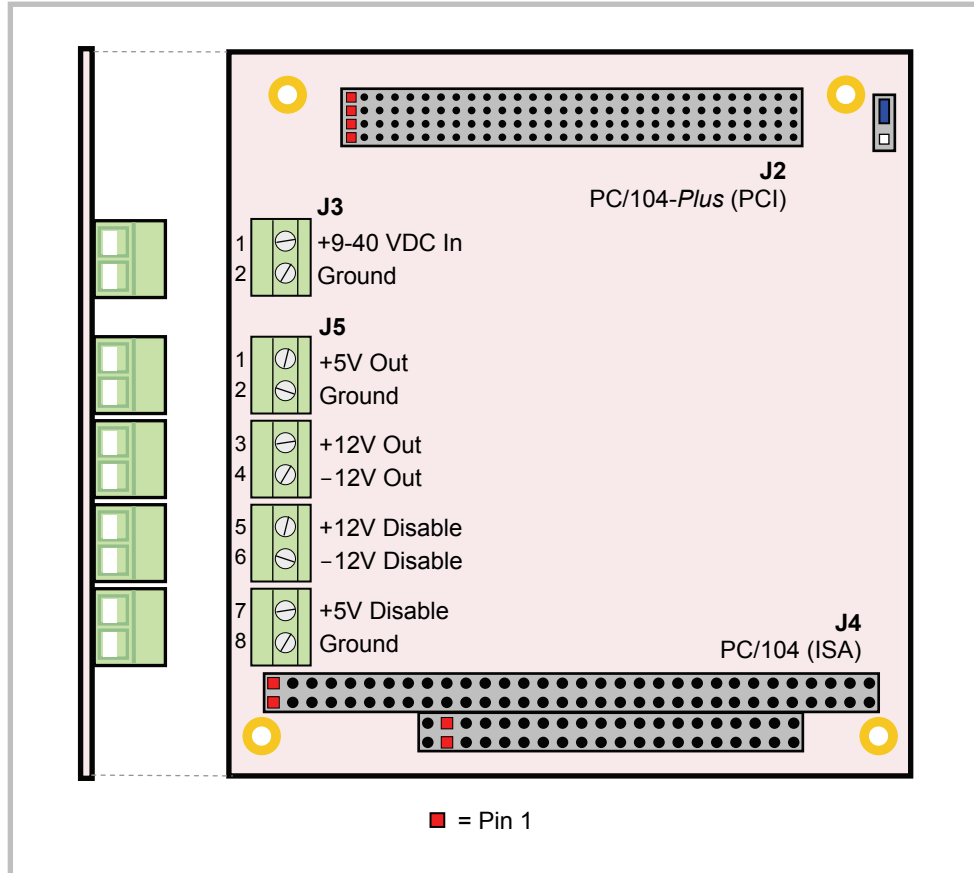


Figure 5. EPM-PS1 Connectors – Top Side

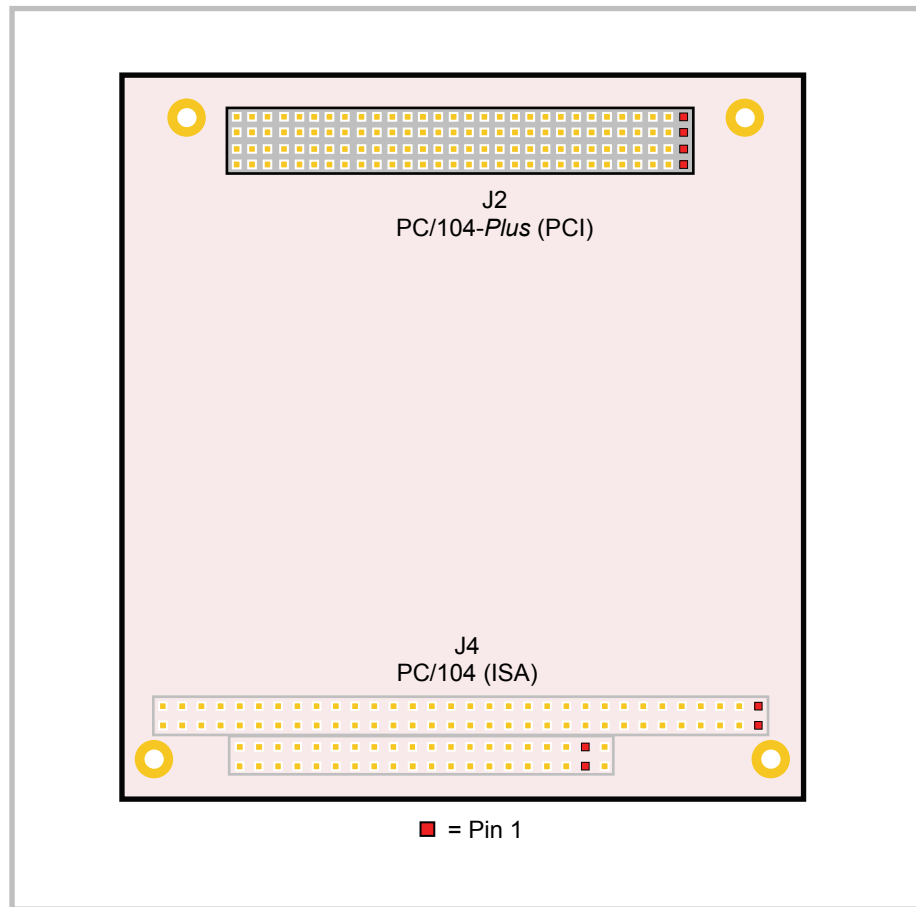


Figure 6. EPM-PS1 Connectors – Bottom Side

## EPM-PS1 CONNECTOR FUNCTIONS AND INTERFACE CABLES

The following table notes the function of each connector, as well as mating connectors and cables, and the page where a detailed pinout or further information is available.

**Table 1: Connector Functions and Interface Cables**

Connector	Function	Mating Connector	Transition Cable	Cable Description	Pin 1 Location <sup>1</sup>		Page
					x coord.	y coord.	
J1	Factory use only	–	–	–	–	–	–
J2	PC-104-Plus (PCI)	AMP 1375799-1	–	–	0.450	3.138	–
J3	Power In	–	–	Insulated wire <sup>2</sup> , AWG 16-14, to screw terminal	0.098	2.629	13
J4	PC/104 (ISA)	AMP 1375795-2	–	–	0.050	0.200	–
J5	Aux Power Out and PS Control	–	–	Insulated wire <sup>2</sup> , AWG 16-14, to screw terminal	0.102	2.000	13, 16

1. The PCB origin is the mounting hole to the lower left, as oriented in Figure 5.
2. Wire insulation should be chosen based on the application and safety agency requirements.

## Jumper Block

### JUMPERS AS-SHIPPED CONFIGURATION

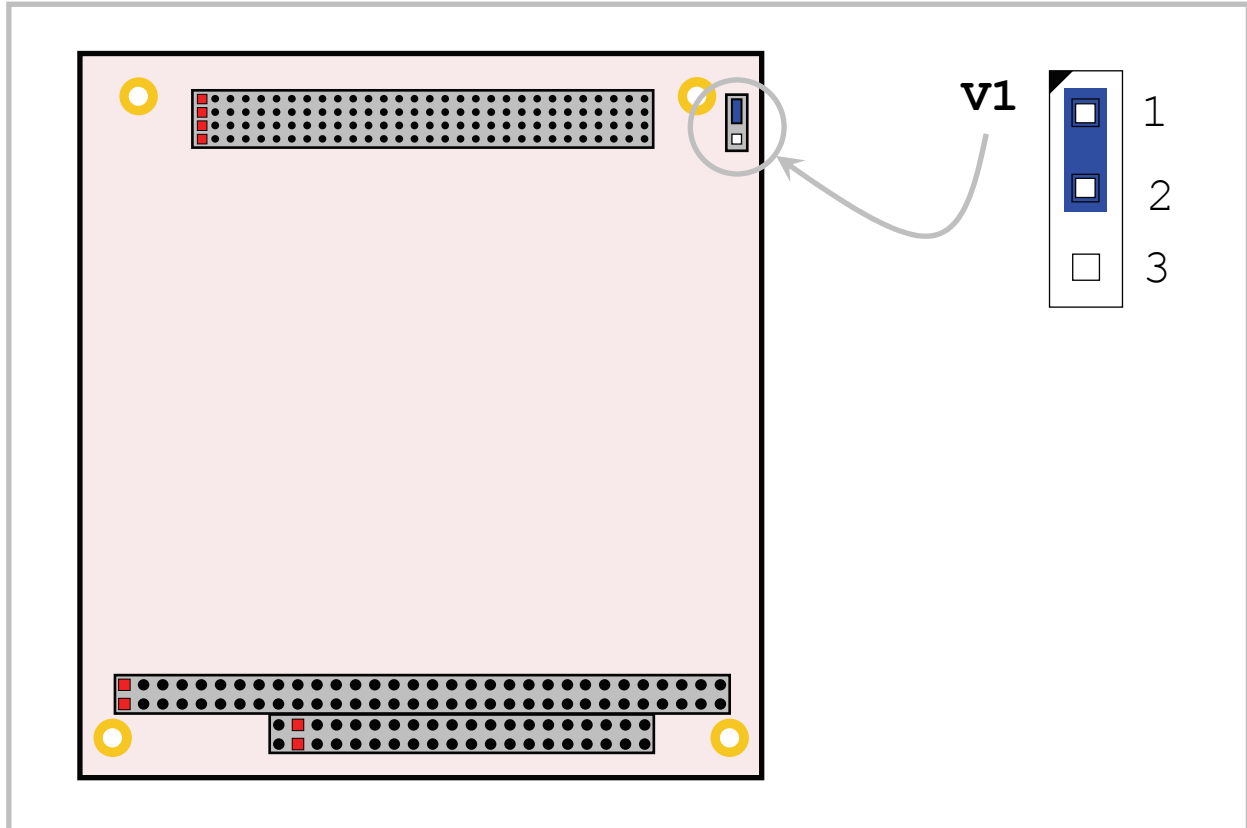


Figure 7. Jumper Block Location – As Shipped Configuration

Table 2: Jumper Summary

Jumper Block	Description	As Shipped	Page
V1	<b>Factory Use Only</b> – This jumper must be installed or the EPM-PS1 will not operate.	[1-2]	–



## Main Power Input

Power is input to the EPM-PS1 through connector J3, which is a two-position, 5.08 mm screw terminal accepting AWG 16-14 insulated wire. Input voltage can range from 9V to 40V.

**Table 3: Main Power Input Connector Pinout**

J3 Pin	Signal Name	Description
1	VIN	+9-40 VDC Input
2	GND	Input Ground

## Power Out

Power is output through connector J5 and the PCI (J2) and ISA (J4) connectors.

### J5 CONNECTOR POWER OUT

The J5 connector is a series of four two-position, 5.08 mm screw terminals accepting AWG 16-14 insulated wire.

**Table 4: Power Out Connector Pinout**

J5 Pin	Signal
1	+5V out
2	Ground
3	+12V out
4	-12V out

### ISA AND PCI CONNECTOR POWER OUT

Power is output on the PCI (J2) and ISA (J4) connectors as shown in Figure 8 and Figure 9. Available ground pins are also shown in these figures.

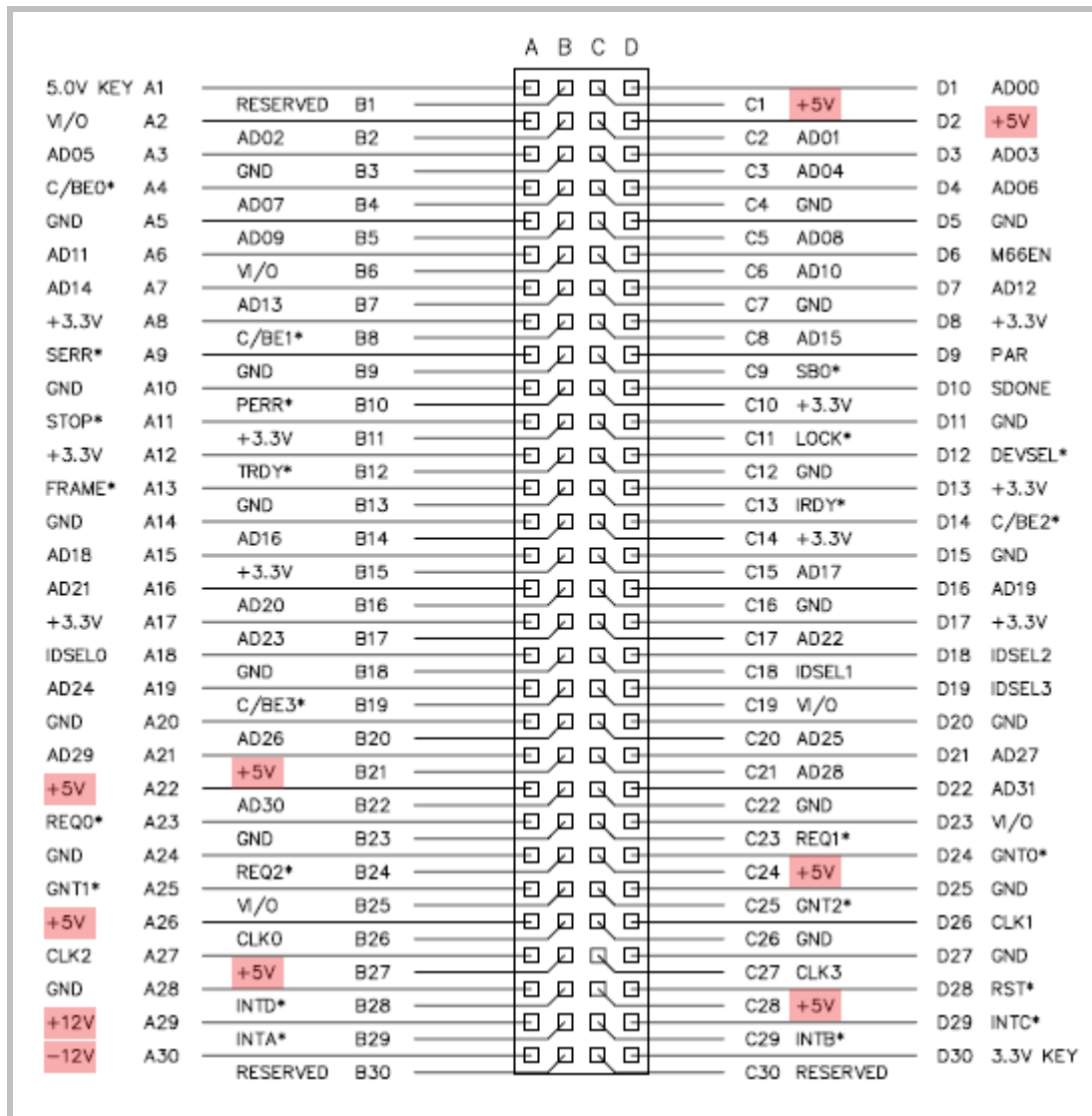


Figure 8. PCI Connector (J2) Power Outputs

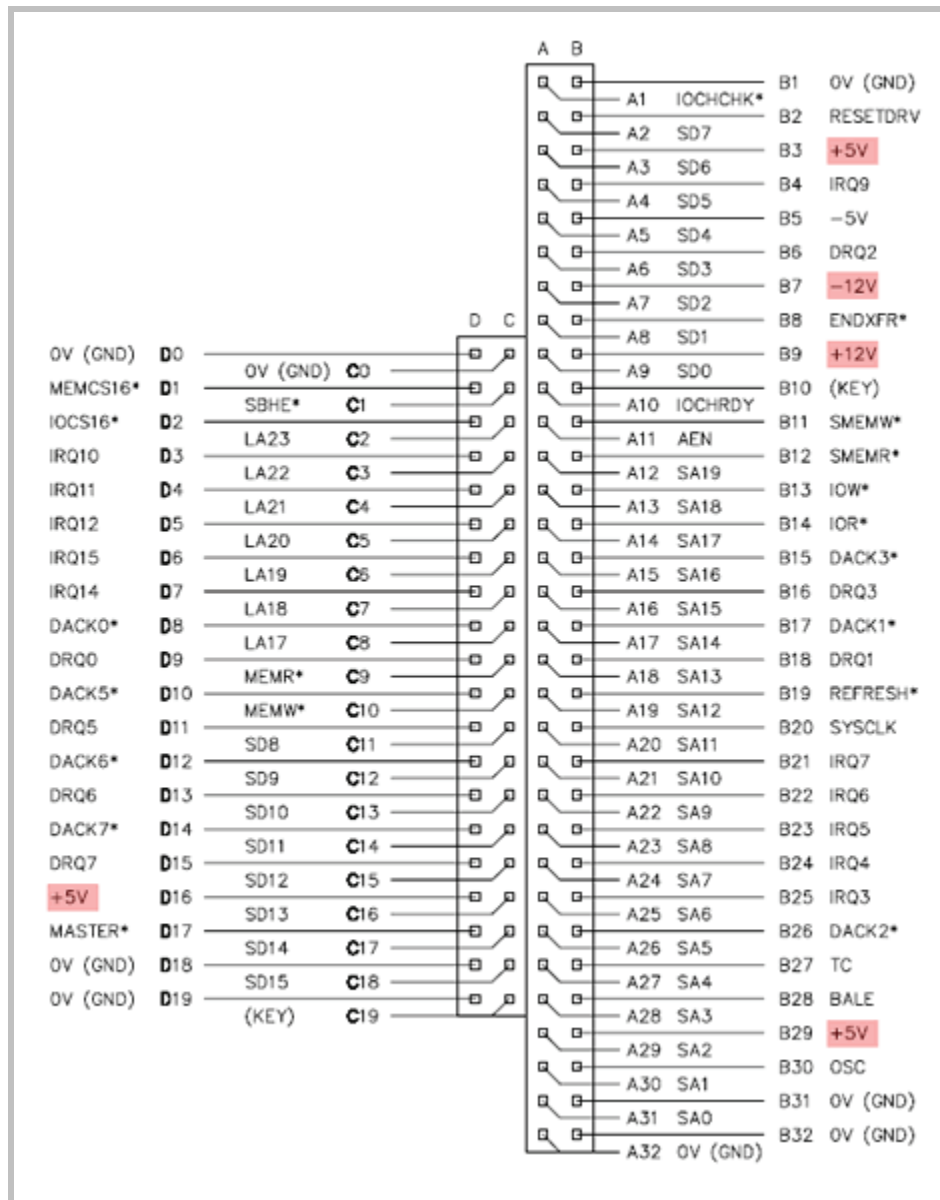


Figure 9. ISA Connector (J4) Power Outputs

## Power Supply Control

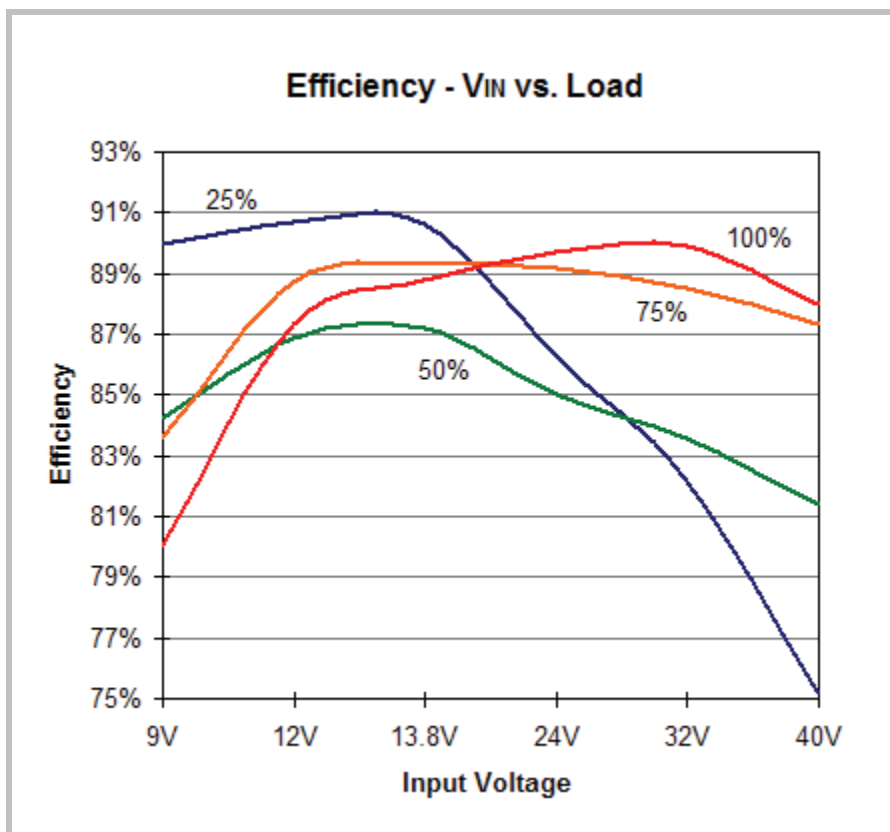
Individual voltage outputs can be disabled using the disable lines on the J5 connector. The J5 connector is a series of four two-pin, 5.08 mm screw terminals accepting AWG 16-14 insulated wire.

All output voltages are on by default. To turn off a voltage, tie the voltage disable pin directly to ground. Disabling the +5V output turns off all outputs.

**Table 5: Power Supply Control Connector Pinout**

J5 Pin	Signal
5	+12V Disable
6	-12V Disable
7	+5V Disable
8	Ground

## Efficiency and Derating



**Figure 10. Power Supply Efficiency over  $V_{IN}$  and Load**

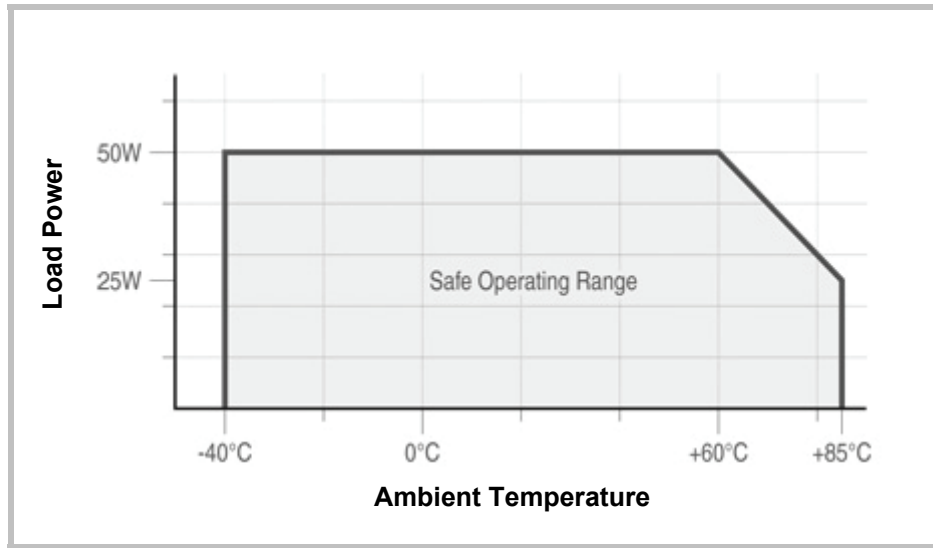


Figure 11. Power Supply Derating Curve

## Appendix A – References

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- [PC/104 Specification](#)
- [PC/104-Plus Specification](#)