## INSTRUCTIONS

MODEL AV-155-PS-HW2-EA

> 0 to $\pm 4$ AMP AMPLITUDE, 0 to $\pm 10$ V COMPLIANCE, 100 ns RISE TIME PULSED CONSTANT CURRENT GENERATOR SERIAL NUMBER:

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## INTRODUCTION

The Model AV-155-PS-HW2-EA pulsed constant current generator is capable of producing pulses with amplitudes as high as 4 Amps into load voltages up to 10 V , with 100 ns rise and fall times.

The output pulses alternate in polarity, i.e., every second pulse is negative.
The AV-155-PS-HW2-EA must be triggered by an external TTL signal.


A 200 Ohm internal resistor is connected across the output connector, to limit the saturation voltage when operating into an open circuit. This reduces the possibility of load damage when connecting or disconnecting loads. (To minimize the saturation voltage, please see page 10.)

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Following your telephone request of October 22, 2002, I am pleased to quote as follows:

| Quote Number: | 11241 |
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| Model designation: | AV-155-PS-HW2-EA |
| Output waveform: | See enclosed sketch |
| Output amplitude: | 0 to $\pm 4.0$ Amperes. (One ten turn control or by externally <br> applied 0 to +10 VDC). |
| Compliance voltage: | $\pm 10$ Volts |
| Output pulse width: | 1 us to 10 us (Ten turn control) |
| Output regulation: | Output current changes by less than $5 \%$ when load <br> voltage changed from 10 to 0 Volts |
| Rise time, fall time: | $\leq 100$ ns |
| Pulse repetition frequency: | 0 to 100 Hz <br> PRF controlled by the input trigger PRF |
| Input trigger: | TTL, $50 \%$ duty cycle |
| Connectors: | BNC |

Size: $\quad 3.9$ "x17"x14.8" (Avtech Style G1)
Other: See AV-155-PS series.
(pages 66 and 67, Cat. No. 11)
Price: $\quad \$ 5,698.00$ US, FOB: Destination
Delivery: 60 days, after receipt of order.

Thank you for your interest in our products. Please call or email me if you require any further information.

Regards,

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## INSTALLATION

## VISUAL CHECK

After unpacking the instrument, examine to ensure that it has not been damaged in shipment. Visually inspect all connectors, knobs, and handles. Confirm that a power cord is with the instrument. If the instrument has been damaged, file a claim immediately with the company that transported the instrument.

## PLUGGING IN THE INSTRUMENT

Examine the rear of the instrument. There will be a male power receptacle, a fuse holder and the edge of the power selector card visible. Confirm that the power selector card is in the correct orientation.

For AC line voltages of $110-120 \mathrm{~V}$, the power selector card should be installed so that the " 120 " marking is visible from the rear of the instrument, as shown below:

For AC line voltages of 220-240V, the power selector card should be installed so that the " 240 " marking is visible from the rear of the instrument, as shown below:

If it is not set for the proper voltage, remove the fuse and then grasp the card with a pair of pliers and remove it. Rotate horizontally through 180 degrees. Reinstall the card and the correct fuse.

In the 120 V setting, a 0.5 A slow blow fuse is required. In the 240 V setting, a 0.25 A slow blow fuse is required.

## FRONT PANEL CONTROLS



1. POWER Switch. The POWER push button switch applies AC prime power to the primaries of the transformer, turning the instrument on. The push button lamp (\#382 type) is connected to the +15 V DC supply.
2. OVERLOAD. This instrument is protected by an automatic overload circuit, which controls the front panel overload light. If the unit is overloaded (by operating at an exceedingly high duty cycle or by operating into a very low impedance), the protective circuit will turn the output of the instrument OFF and turn the indicator light ON. The light will stay ON (i.e. output OFF) for about 5 seconds after which the instrument will attempt to turn ON (i.e. light OFF) for about 1 second. If the overload condition persists, the instrument will turn OFF again (i.e. light ON) for another 5 seconds. If the overload condition has been removed, the instrument will turn on and resume normal operation.

This overload indicator may come on briefly at start-up. This is not a cause for concern.
3. IN Connector. A TTL-level pulse applied to this input will trigger the instrument. The instrument triggers on the rising edge of this input. The input impedance of this input is $1 \mathrm{k} \Omega$. (Depending on the length of cable attached to this input, and the source driving it, it may be desirable to add a coaxial 50 Ohm terminator to this input to provide a proper transmission line termination. The Pasternack (www.pasternack.com) PE6008-50 BNC feed-thru 50 Ohm terminator is suggested for this purpose.)

Although this input is nominally specified to be a $50 \%$ duty cycle signal with a maximum repetition rate of 100 Hz , the instrument can be safely operated at repetition rates as high as 1 kHz , and the input pulse width can be as low as 100 ns . There is no upper limit on the maximum pulse width.
4. PULSE WIDTH Control. This ten-turn locking dial varies the output pulse width from 1 to 10 us, approximately.
5. AMPLITUDE Control. This ten-turn locking dial varies the output amplitude from 0 to $\pm 4$ Amps, approximately. This control is only active if the rear-panel INT/EXT switch is set to "INT".
6. OUT Connector. This is the output connector. To obtain best results, the cable length between this connector and the load device should be minimized, to reduce impedance-mismatch reflections and distortions on the output waveform.

## REAR PANEL CONTROLS



1. AC POWER INPUT. A three-pronged recessed male connector is provided on the back panel for AC power connection to the instrument. Also contained in this assembly is a slow-blow fuse and a removable card that can be removed and repositioned to switch between 120 V AC in and 240 V AC in.

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2. AMP INT/EXT SWITCH AND CONNECTOR. To control the amplitude of the output with an external DC voltage, set the two-position switch to the EXT position and apply 0 to +10 V to the BNC Connector ( $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{IN}} \geq 10 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ ). When this switch is in the "INT" position, the amplitude is controlled by the front-panel controls

## BASIC TEST ARRANGEMENT



The input and output waveforms for the unit are below. Note that the unit operates as a pulsed constant current source and for that reason the load resistance should be less than 2.5 Ohms (to avoid saturating the output stage) and the load inductance must be exceedingly low (to avoid inductive spikes on the transitions).


## MECHANICAL INFORMATION

## TOP COVER REMOVAL

The interior of the instrument may be accessed by removing the four Phillips screws on the top panel. With the four screws removed, the top cover may be slid back (and off).

## RACK MOUNTING

A rack mounting kit is available. The -R5 rack mount kit may be installed after first removing the one Phillips screw on the side panel adjacent to the front handle.

## ELECTROMAGNETIC INTERFERENCE

To prevent electromagnetic interference with other equipment, all used outputs should be connected to shielded $50 \Omega$ loads using shielded $50 \Omega$ coaxial cables. Unused outputs should be terminated with shielded $50 \Omega$ BNC terminators or with shielded BNC dust caps, to prevent unintentional electromagnetic radiation. All cords and cables should be less than 3m in length.

## INTERNAL ADJUSTMENTS

An internal trimpot is provided for nulling any DC offset observed on the output. Eliminating this offset will also reduce the saturation voltage present on the output connector when no load is connected. With proper adjustment, this saturation voltage should be less than 0.2 Volts.

This trimpot may be accessed by removing the top cover. The trimpot is mounted on the right side panel, near the front.

To adjust this trimpot, disconnect any attached loads on the output connector, and attach a voltmeter to the output instead. Turn on the instrument, and rotate the trimpot screw until the voltage observed on the output is zero.

## POWER SUPPLY AND FUSE REPLACEMENT

This instrument has three main fuses, plus two spares. One, which protects the AC input, is located in the rear-panel power entry module, as described in the "Rear Panel Controls" section of this manual. If the power appears to have failed, check the AC fuse first.

The other two fuses (plus two spares) are located on the internal DC power supply, as shown below:


The positive fuse and one of the spare fuses on this circuit board are 1A slow-blow fuses, Littlefuse part number R452001. (This fuse can be ordered from Digikey, www.digikey.com. The Digikey part number is F1343CT-ND). The negative fuse and the second spare fuse are 0.5A slow-blow fuses (Littlefuse R452.500, Digikey part number F1341CT-ND).

If you suspect that the DC fuses are blown, follow this procedure:

1. Remove the top cover, by removing the four Phillips screws on the top cover and then sliding the cover back and off.
2. Locate the two "Power OK" LEDs on the power supply circuit board, as illustrated above.
3. Turn on the instrument.
4. Observe the "Power OK" LEDs. If the fuses are not blown, the two LEDs will be lit (bright red). If one of the LEDs is not lit, the fuse next to it has blown.
5. Turn off the instrument.
6. If a fuse is blown, use needle-nose pliers to remove the blown fuse from its surface-mount holder.
7. Replace the fuse. (Spare 1 Amp and 0.5 Amp fuses are provided on the circuit board. They may be transferred to the active fuse locations using needle-nose pliers.)
