

INSTRUCTIONS

MODEL AVG-4A-C-M-N PULSE GENERATOR

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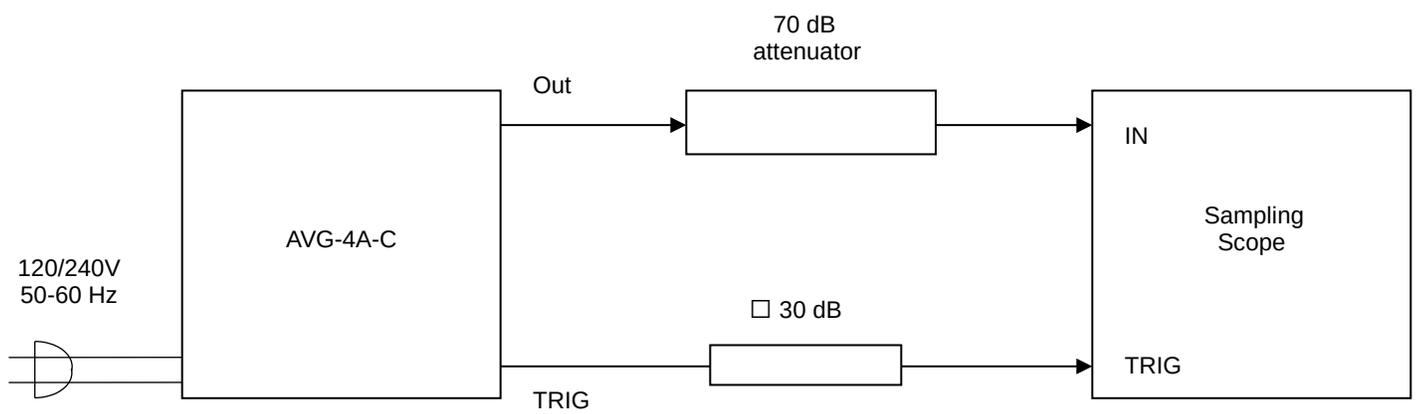
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FIG. 1: PULSE GENERATOR TEST ARRANGEMENT



## GENERAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) The bandwidth capability of components and instruments used to display the pulse generator output signal (attenuators, cables, connectors, etc.) should exceed one gigahertz.
- 2) The use of 70 dB attenuator at the sampling scope vertical input channel will insure a peak input signal to the sampling scope of less than one Volt. It is critically important that the peak voltage rating of the attenuator must exceed 850 Volts.
- 3) The TRIG output channel provides TTL level signals. To avoid overdriving the TRIG input channel of some sampling scopes, a 30 dB attenuator should be placed at the input to the sampling scope trigger channel.
- 4) To obtain a stable output display the PRF control on the front panel should be set mid-range while the PRF range switch may be in either range. The front panel TRIG toggle switch should be in the INT position. The front panel DELAY controls and the scope triggering controls are then adjusted to obtain a stable output.
- 5) The output pulse amplitude is controlled by means of the one turn potentiometer (AMP). For units with the -EA option, the output amplitude may be voltage controlled by setting the rear panel AMP switch in the EXT position and then applying 0 to +10 VDC to the "A" BNC connector ( $R_{IN} \geq 10K$ ).
- 6) The general pulse shape is controlled by the following two controls:
  - PULSE WIDTH A: The main shape control. Clockwise rotation increases the pulse width (and amplitude).
  - PULSE WIDTH B: Should normally be set mid-range (to provide max output amplitude). Not a sensitive control.

After changing the PRF dramatically, it may be necessary to readjust the two controls to re-obtain the desired output pulse shape.
- 7) The unit may be triggered externally by placing the INT-EXT switch in the EXT position and applying a TTL level pulse ( $PW > 50$  ns) to the TRIG connector.

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FIG. 2: FRONT PANEL CONTROLS

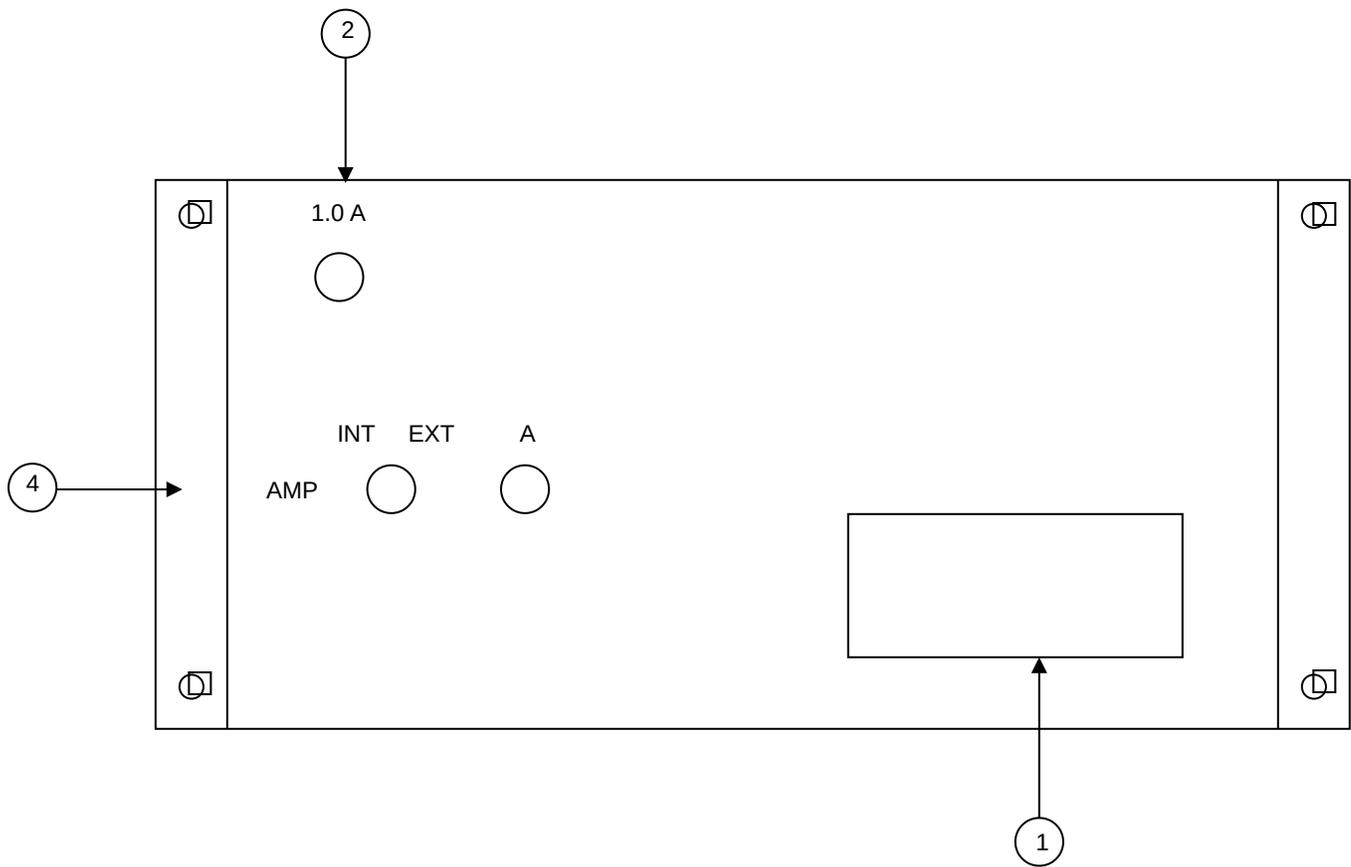
## FRONT PANEL CONTROLS

- (1) ON-OFF Switch. Applies basic prime power to all stages.
- (2) PRF Control. The PRF RANGE and PRF controls determine output PRF as follows:

| PRF MIN | PRF MAX |
|---------|---------|
| 1 Hz    | 10 Hz   |
| 10 Hz   | 100 Hz  |
| 100 Hz  | 1 kHz   |
| 1 kHz   | 10 kHz  |

- 1) DELAY Control. Controls the relative delay between the reference output pulse provided at the TRIG output (4) and the main output (6). This delay is variable over the range of 0 to about 100 ns.
- 2) TRIG Output. The output is a TTL level 100 ns (approx) pulse capable of driving a fifty Ohm load. The external trigger signal is applied at this input when the EXT-INT toggle switch is in the EXT position.
- 3) AMP Control. The output pulse amplitude is controlled by means of the one turn potentiometer.
- 4) OUT. SMA connector applies output to 50 Ohm load.
- 5) EXT-INT Control. With this toggle switch in the INT position, the PRF of the AVG unit is controlled via an internal clock, which in turn is controlled by the PRF controls. With the toggle switch in the EXT position, the AVG unit requires a TTL level pulse (PW > 50 ns) applied at the TRIG input in order to trigger the output stages. In addition, in this mode, the scope time base must be triggered by the external trigger source.
- 6) PULSE SHAPE. The general pulse shape is controlled by the following two controls:
- PULSE WIDTH A: The main shape control. Clockwise rotation increases the pulse width (and amplitude).
- PULSE WIDTH B: Should normally be set mid-range (to provide max output amplitude). Not a sensitive control.

FIG. 3: BACK PANEL CONTROLS

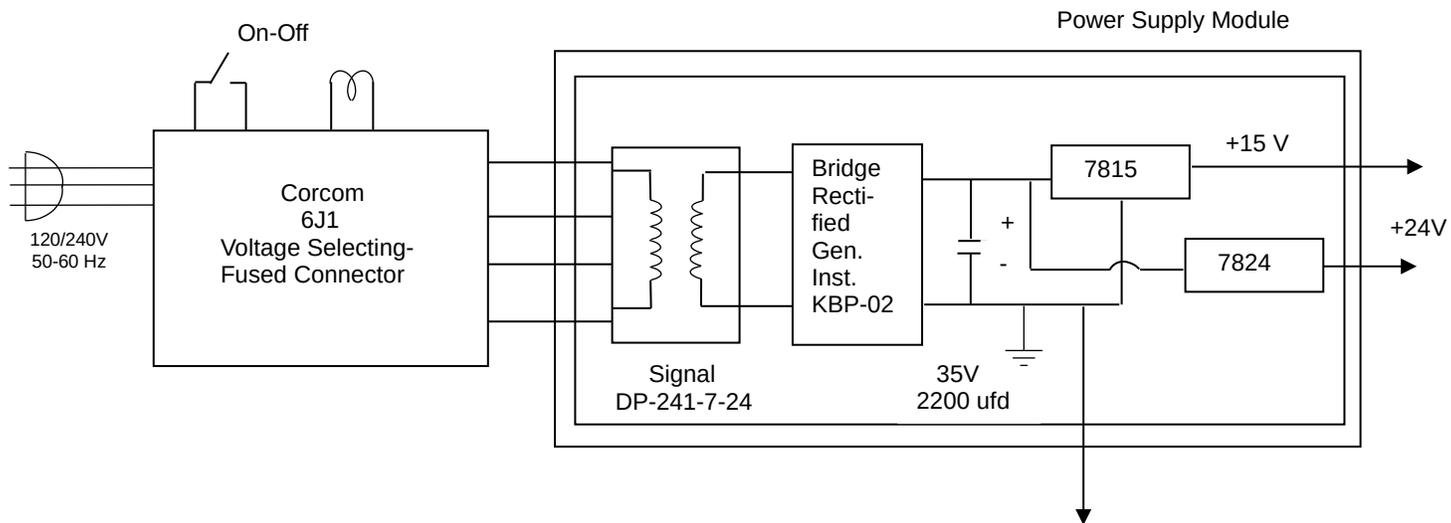


## BACK PANEL CONTROLS

- (1) FUSED CONNECTOR, VOLTAGE SELECTOR. The detachable power cord is connected at this point. In addition, the removable cord is adjusted to select the desired input operating voltage. The unit also contains the main power fuse (0.5 A SB).
- (2) TOP COVER REMOVAL. Remove the 4 Phillips screws on the top cover. The top cover may then be slid back (and off).
- (3) A SB. Fuse which limits the current provided to the output stage so as to protect against overload.
- (4) AMP. To voltage control the output amplitude, set the AMP switch in the EXT position and apply 0 to +10 VDC to the "A" BNC connector ( $R_{IN} \geq 10K$ ).

AVB2-TC-C BLOCK DIAGRAM

# POWER SUPPLY



## SYSTEM DESCRIPTION AND REPAIR PROCEDURE

The AVG-4B-C consists of one pulse generator module (AVG-4B-PG), one power combiner module (AVX-CP-3), a power supply module (-PS-11), an amplitude control module (-EA) a clock module and a power supply board which supplies +15 Volts (1.5 A max) to the pulse generator modules. In the event that the unit malfunctions, remove the instrument cover by removing the four Phillips screws on the back panel of the unit. The top cover may then be slid off. Measure the voltage at the +15 V pin of the PG module. If this voltage is substantially less than +15 Volts, unsolder the line connecting the power supply and PG modules and connect 100 Ohm 10 W load to the PS output. The voltage across this load should be about +15V DC. If this voltage is substantially less than 15 Volts the PS module is defective and should be repaired or replaced. If the voltage across the resistor is near 15 Volts, then the PG modules should be replaced or repaired. The sealed PG modules must be returned to Avtech for repair (or replacement). The clock module provides a 0.1 us TTL level trigger pulse at Pin 2 to trigger the PG module and a 0.1 us TTL level sync pulse at Pin 3 to trigger the sampling scope display device. The output at Pin 3 precedes the output at Pin 2 by almost 0 to 100 ns depending on the DELAY control setting. The clock module is powered by +5.0 V supplied by the 7805. With the INT-EXT switch in the EXT position, the clock module is disconnected from the PG module. The clock module is functioning properly if:

- a) 0.1 us TTL level outputs are observed at Pins 2 and 3.
- b) The PRF of the outputs can be varied over the range of 1 Hz to 10 kHz using the PRF and PRF RANGE controls.
- c) The relative delay between the Pin 2 and 3 outputs can be varied by at least 100 ns by the DELAY control.

The sealed clock module must be returned to Avtech for repair or replacement if the above conditions are not observed.

PERFORMANCE CHECK SHEET