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## INTRODUCTION

The AVR-GHV4-B-P-BR-QTKA is a high performance instrument capable of generating up to 400 V into $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ loads at repetition rates up to 100 kHz . Two main outputs are provided. The output waveforms are equal in frequency and amplitude, but are logical complements of each other. That is, when one is at the set amplitude, the other is at zero Volts, and vice versa. (When the duty cycle is set at $50 \%$, the outputs will appear as two square waves, 180 degrees out of phase). The amplitude is adjustable from 0 to 400 V , for operation into load impedances of 100 kilohms or higher.

Both outputs have an output impedance (i.e., an internal resistance in series with the output) of 50 Ohms, to provide transmission line back-matching and short-circuit protection. These resistors are accessible if the top cover is removed, and they can be replaced by the user with higher resistance resistors if desired.

The rise and fall times are fixed at less than 30 ns. However, the output impedance is $50 \Omega$, so the rise and fall times will degrade if cable lengths longer than 1 meter ( 3 feet) are used on the output, due to the cable capacitance. The maximum usable cable length is 2 meters (6 feet).

The output is designed to drive loads of $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ or higher. Attaching a $50 \Omega$ load may damage the instrument.

This instrument is intended for use in research and development laboratories.

## HIGH-VOLTAGE PRECAUTIONS

㐱 CAUTION: This instrument provides output voltages as high as +400 Volts, so extreme caution must be employed when using this instrument. The instrument should only be used by individuals who are thoroughly skilled in high voltage laboratory techniques. The following precaution should always be observed:

1. Keep exposed high-voltage wiring to an absolute minimum.
2. Wherever possible, use shielded connectors and cabling.
3. Connect and disconnect loads and cables only when the instrument is turned off.
4. Keep in mind that all cables, connectors, oscilloscope probes, and loads must have an appropriate voltage rating.
5. Do not attempt any repairs on the instrument, beyond the fuse replacement procedures described in this manual. Contact Avtech technical support (see page 2 for contact information) if the instrument requires servicing.

## SPECIFICATIONS

| Model: | AVR-GHV4-B-P-BR-QTKA ${ }^{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Amplitude: | 0 to +400 Volts |
| Pulse width (FWHM) ${ }^{2}$ : | 1 us to 0.5 sec |
| Load impedance: | $\geq 100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ |
| Output impedance: | $50 \Omega$ (i.e., internal resistance in series with the output). |
| Rise time (20\%-80\%) ${ }^{7}$ : | $\leq 30 \mathrm{~ns}$ |
| Fall time (80\%-20\%) ${ }^{\text {\% }}$ | $\leq 30 \mathrm{~ns}$ |
| PRF: | 1 Hz to 100 kHz |
| Duty cycle: | 0-80\% |
| GPIB and RS-232 control ${ }^{1}$ : | Standard on -B units |
| LabView Drivers: | Check http://www.avtechpulse.com/labview for availability and downloads |
| Telnet / Ethernet control ${ }^{4}$ : | Optional on -B units. See http://www.avtechpulse.com/options/tnt for details. |
| Burst mode: | Optional ${ }^{5}$. Generates 1-500 pulses per trigger event. See http://www.avtechpulse.com/options/br. |
| Propagation delay: | $\leq 100$ ns (Ext trig in to pulse out) |
| Jitter (Ext trig in to pulse out): | $\pm 100 \mathrm{ps} \pm 0.03 \%$ of sync delay |
| Trigger required: (External trigger modes) | Mode A: + 5 Volt, > 50 ns (TTL) <br> Mode B: +5 Volt, $\mathrm{PW}_{\text {IN }}=$ PW $_{\text {OUT }}$ (TTL) |
| Sync delay: | Variable, 0 to $\pm 1$ second |
| Sync output: | + 3 Volts, 100 ns , will drive 50 Ohm loads |
| Gate input: | Synchronous or asynchronous, active high or low, switchable. Suppresses triggering when active. |
| Connectors (OUT) ${ }^{6}$ : | BNC |
| Connectors (Trig, Sync, Gate): | BNC |
| Power requirements: | 100-240 Volts, $50-60 \mathrm{~Hz}$ |
| Dimensions ( $\mathrm{H} \times \mathrm{W} \times \mathrm{D}$ ): | $100 \mathrm{~mm} \times 430 \mathrm{~mm} \times 375 \mathrm{~mm}$ (3.9" $\times 17$ " $\times 14.8$ ") |
| Chassis material: | cast aluminum frame and handles, blue vinyl on aluminum cover plates |
| Mounting: | Any. Add the suffix -R5 to the model number to include a rack-mount kit. |
| Temperature range: | $+5^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |

1) -B suffix indicates IEEE-488.2 GPIB and RS-232 control of amplitude, pulse width or duty cycle (as appropriate), pulse repetition frequency, and delay (See http://www.avtechpulse.com/gpib).
2) When triggered externally, the pulse width can be set by the pulse instrument controls, or it may be set to track the input trigger pulse width.
3) Indicate desired polarity by suffixing model number with -P or -N (i.e. positive or negative) or -PN for dual polarity option (controlled by a two-position switch which controls the polarity of the signal output port). Keypad polarity control on -B units.
4) Add the suffix -TNT to the model number to specify the Telnet / Ethernet control option.
5) Add the suffix -BR to the model number to specify the burst mode option. See http://www.avtechpulse.com/options/br for details about this option.
6) HV, MHV or HN output connectors can also be provided. To specify, suffix the model number by -SHV, -MHV or - HN as required.
7) Valid when the load is connected with zero cable length (for instance, on a binding post adapter). The rise and fall times will degrade for non-zero lengths of cable, due to the product of the 50 Ohm output impedance and the cable capacitance. The maximum cable length for operation (with degraded rise and fall times) is 2 meters ( 6 feet). If your application requires longer cable lengths, contact Avtech for appropriate modifications or applications assistance.

## -QTKA OPTION DESCRIPTION

Two main outputs are provided. The output waveforms are equal in frequency and amplitude, but are logical complements of each other. That is, when one is at the set amplitude, the other is at zero Volts, and vice versa. (When the duty cycle is set at $50 \%$, the outputs will appear as two square waves, 180 degrees out of phase). The amplitude is adjustable from 0 to 400 V , for operation into load impedances of 100 kilohms or higher.

## ORIGINAL QUOTATION

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To: Brent Lin
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blin@quatek.com.tw
Brent,
300V is higher than the maximum amplitude of the AVR-G4-B series (200V),
so I have quoted on a dual-channel version of the AVR-GHV4-B series
instead. The AVR-GHV4-B series can provide up to 400V into loads of 100
kilohms or higher. Please double-check the datasheet for the AVR-GHV4-B
to confirm that it is suitable for your client. I am pleased to quote as
follows:
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Quote number: 12412
Model number: AVR-GHV4-B-P-QTKA
Description: High Voltage Pulser with IEEE-488.2 GPIB and RS-232
Computer Control Ports
-QTKA option: Two main outputs are provided. The output waveforms are
equal in frequency and amplitude, but are logical complements of each
other. That is, when one is at the set amplitude, the other is at zero
Volts, and vice versa. (When the duty cycle is set at $50 \%$, the outputs
will appear as two square waves, 180 degrees out of phase). The
amplitude is adjustable from 0 to 400 V , for operation into load
impedances of 100 kilohms or higher.
Other: as per the standard AVR-GHV4-B-P, described at
http://www.avtechpulse.com/medium/avr-ghv4
Price: \$_ US each, Ex-works, Ottawa, Canada. Before discount.
Estimated delivery: 60 days after receipt of order.
Please call or email me if $I$ can be of further assistance.
Thank you for your interest in our products!
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## EUROPEAN REGULATORY NOTES

## EC DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

We
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declare that this pulse generator meets the intent of Directive 89/336/EEC for Electromagnetic Compatibility. Compliance pertains to the following specifications as listed in the official Journal of the European Communities:

EN 50081-1 Emission
EN 50082-1 Immunity
and that this pulse generator meets the intent of the Low Voltage Directive 72/23/EEC as amended by 93/68/EEC. Compliance pertains to the following specifications as listed in the official Journal of the European Communities:

EN 61010-1:2001 Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use


## DIRECTIVE 2002/95/EC (RoHS)

This instrument is exempt from Directive 2002/95/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 January 2003 on the Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS) in electrical and electronic equipment. Specifically, Avtech instruments are considered "Monitoring and control instruments" (Category 9) as defined in Annex 1A of Directive 2002/96/EC. The Directive 2002/95/EC only applies to Directive 2002/96/EC categories 1-7 and 10, as stated in the "Article 2 - Scope" section of Directive 2002/95/EC.

## INSTALLATION

## VISUAL CHECK

After unpacking the instrument, examine to ensure that it has not been damaged in shipment. Visually inspect all connectors, knobs, liquid crystal displays (LCDs), and the handles. Confirm that a power cord, a GPIB cable, and two instrumentation manuals (this manual and the "Programming Manual for -B Instruments") are with the instrument. If the instrument has been damaged, file a claim immediately with the company that transported the instrument.

## POWER RATINGS

This instrument is intended to operate from $100-240 \mathrm{~V}, 50-60 \mathrm{~Hz}$.
The maximum power consumption is 90 Watts. Please see the "FUSES" section for information about the appropriate AC and DC fuses.

This instrument is an "Installation Category II" instrument, intended for operation from a normal single-phase supply.

## CONNECTION TO THE POWER SUPPLY

An IEC-320 three-pronged recessed male socket is provided on the back panel for AC power connection to the instrument. One end of the detachable power cord that is supplied with the instrument plugs into this socket. The other end of the detachable power cord plugs into the local mains supply. Use only the cable supplied with the instrument. The mains supply must be earthed, and the cord used to connect the instrument to the mains supply must provide an earth connection. (The supplied cord does this.)
\$ Warning: Failure to use a grounded outlet may result in injury or death due to electric shock. This product uses a power cord with a ground connection. It must be connected to a properly grounded outlet. The instrument chassis is connected to the ground wire in the power cord.

The table below describes the power cord that is normally supplied with this instrument, depending on the destination region:

| Destination Region | Description | Manufacturer | Part Number |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Continental Europe | European CEE 7/7 <br> "Schuko" 230V, 50Hz | Volex (http://www.volex.com) | 17850-C3-326 |
|  | Qualtek (http://www.qualtekusa.com) | $319004-\mathrm{T01}$ |  |
| United Kingdom | BS 1363, <br> $230 \mathrm{~V}, 50 \mathrm{~Hz}$ | Qualtek (http://www.qualtekusa.com) | $370001-\mathrm{E} 01$ |
| Switzerland | SEV 1011,2 <br> $30 \mathrm{~V}, 50 \mathrm{~Hz}$ | Volex (http://www.volex.com) | $2102 \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{C} 3-10$ |
| Israel | SI 32, <br> $220 \mathrm{~V}, 50 \mathrm{~Hz}$ | Volex (http://www.volex.com) | $2115 \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{C} 3-10$ |
| North America, <br> and all other areas | NEMA $5-15$, <br> $120 \mathrm{~V}, 60 \mathrm{~Hz}$ | Qualtek (http://www.qualtekusa.com) | $312007-01$ |

## PROTECTION FROM ELECTRIC SHOCK

Operators of this instrument must be protected from electric shock at all times. The owner must ensure that operators are prevented access and/or are insulated from every connection point. In some cases, connections must be exposed to potential human contact. Operators must be trained to protect themselves from the risk of electric shock. This instrument is intended for use by qualified personnel who recognize shock hazards and are familiar with safety precautions required to avoid possibly injury. In particular, operators should:
6. Keep exposed high-voltage wiring to an absolute minimum.
7. Wherever possible, use shielded connectors and cabling.
8. Connect and disconnect loads and cables only when the instrument is turned off.
9. Keep in mind that all cables, connectors, oscilloscope probes, and loads must have an appropriate voltage rating.
10. Do not attempt any repairs on the instrument, beyond the fuse replacement procedures described in this manual. Contact Avtech technical support (see page 2 for contact information) if the instrument requires servicing. Service is to be performed solely by qualified service personnel.

## ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

This instrument is intended for use under the following conditions:
a) indoor use;
b) altitude up to 2000 m ;
c) temperature $5^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$;
d) maximum relative humidity $80 \%$ for temperatures up to $31^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ decreasing linearly to $50 \%$ relative humidity at $40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$;
e) Mains supply voltage fluctuations up to $\pm 10 \%$ of the nominal voltage;
f) no pollution or only dry, non-conductive pollution.

## FUSES

This instrument contains four fuses. All are accessible from the rear-panel. Two protect the AC prime power input, and two protect the internal DC power supplies. The locations of the fuses on the rear panel are shown in the figure below:


## AC FUSE REPLACEMENT

To physically access the AC fuses, the power cord must be detached from the rear panel of the instrument. The fuse drawer may then be extracted using a small flat-head screwdriver, as shown below:


## DC FUSE REPLACEMENT

The DC fuses may be replaced by inserting the tip of a flat-head screwdriver into the fuse holder slot, and rotating the slot counter-clockwise. The fuse and its carrier will then pop out.

## FUSE RATINGS

The following table lists the required fuses:

| Fuses | Nominal <br> Mains <br> Voltage | Rating | Case <br> Size | Manufacturer's <br> Part Number <br> (Wickmann) | Distributor's <br> Part Number <br> (Digi-Key) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \#1, \#2 (AC) | $100-240 \mathrm{~V}$ | 0.8A, 250V, <br> Time-Delay | $5 \times 20 \mathrm{~mm}$ | 1950800000 | WK5046-ND |
| \#3 (DC) | N/A | 2.0A, 250V, <br> Time-Delay | $5 \times 20 \mathrm{~mm}$ | 1951200000 | WK5057-ND |
| \#4 (DC) | N/A | 1.0A, 250V, <br> Time-Delay | $5 \times 20 \mathrm{~mm}$ | 1951100000 | WK5048-ND |

The fuse manufacturer is Wickmann (http://www.wickmann.com/).
Replacement fuses may be easily obtained from Digi-Key (http://www.digikey.com/) and other distributors.

FRONT PANEL CONTROLS


1) POWER Switch. This is the main power switch. When turning the instrument on, there may be a delay of several seconds before the instrument appears to respond.
2) OVERLOAD Indicator. When the instrument is powered, this indicator is normally green, indicating normal operation. If this indicator is yellow, an internal automatic overload protection circuit has been tripped. 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 disable the output of the instrument and turn the indicator light yellow. The light will stay yellow (i.e. output disabled) for about 5 seconds after which the instrument will attempt to re-enable the output (i.e. light green) for about 1 second. If the overload condition persists, the output will be disabled again (i.e. light yellow) for another 5 seconds. If the overload condition has been removed, the instrument will resume normal operation.

This overload indicator may flash yellow briefly at start-up. This is not a cause for concern.
3) OUT CONNECTOR. This BNC connector provides the non-inverted output signal, into load impedances of $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ or higher.
\$ Caution: Voltages as high as +400 V may be present on the center conductor of this output connector. Avoid touching this conductor. Connect to this connector using standard coaxial cable, to ensure that the center conductor is not exposed.
4) NOT-OUT CONNECTOR. This BNC connector provides the inverted output signal, into load impedances of $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ or higher. It is the logical complement of the signal on item (3).
\$ Caution: Voltages as high as +400 V may be present on the center conductor of this output connector. Avoid touching this conductor. Connect to this connector using standard coaxial cable, to ensure that the center conductor is not exposed.
5) SYNC OUT. This connector supplies a SYNC output that can be used to trigger other equipment, particularly oscilloscopes. This signal leads (or lags) the main output by a duration set by the "DELAY" controls and has an approximate amplitude of +3 Volts to $R_{L}>50 \Omega$ with a pulse width of approximately 100 ns .
6) LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY (LCD). This LCD is used in conjunction with the keypad to change the instrument settings. Normally, the main menu is displayed, which lists the key adjustable parameters and their current values. The "Programming Manual for -B Instruments" describes the menus and submenus in detail.
7) KEYPAD.

| Control Name | Function |
| :--- | :--- |
| MOVE | This moves the arrow pointer on the display. |
| CHANGE | This is used to enter the submenu, or to select the operating <br> mode, pointed to by the arrow pointer. |
| $\times 10$ | If one of the adjustable numeric parameters is displayed, this <br> increases the setting by a factor of ten. |
| $\div 10$ | If one of the adjustable numeric parameters is displayed, this <br> decreases the setting by a factor of ten. |
| $+/-$ | If one of the adjustable numeric parameters is displayed, and <br> this parameter can be both positive or negative, this changes the <br> sign of the parameter. |
| EXTRA FINE | This changes the step size of the ADJUST knob. In the extra- <br> fine mode, the step size is twenty times finer than in the normal <br> mode. This button switches between the two step sizes. |
| ADJUST | This large knob adjusts the value of any displayed numeric <br> adjustable values, such as frequency, pulse width, etc. The <br> adjust step size is set by the "EXTRA FINE" button. |
|  | When the main menu is displayed, this knob can be used to <br> move the arrow pointer. |

## REAR PANEL CONTROLS



1. AC POWER INPUT. An IEC-320 C14 three-pronged recessed male socket is provided on the back panel for AC power connection to the instrument. One end of the detachable power cord that is supplied with the instrument plugs into this socket.
2. AC FUSE DRAWER. The two fuses that protect the AC input are located in this drawer. Please see the "FUSES" section of this manual for more information.
3. DC FUSES. These two fuses protect the internal DC power supplies. Please see the "FUSES" sections of this manual for more information.
4. GATE. This TTL-level ( 0 and +5 V ) logic input can be used to gate the triggering of the instrument. This input can be either active high or active low, depending on the front panel settings or programming commands. (The instrument triggers normally when this input is unconnected). When set to active high mode, this input is pulleddown to ground by a $1 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ resistor. When set to active low mode, this input is pulledup to +5 V by a $1 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ resistor.
5. TRIG. This TTL-level ( 0 and +5 V ) logic input can be used to trigger the instrument, if the instrument is set to triggering externally. 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.)

When triggering externally, the instrument can be set such that the output pulse width tracks the pulse width on this input, or the output pulse width can be set independently.
6. GPIB Connector. A standard GPIB cable can be attached to this connector to allow the instrument to be computer-controlled. See the "Programming Manual for -B Instruments" for more details on GPIB control.
7. RS-232 Connector. A standard serial cable with a 25 -pin male connector can be attached to this connector to allow the instrument to be computer-controlled. See the "Programming Manual for -B Instruments" for more details on RS-232 control.
8. LAN Connector and Indicator. (Optional feature. Present on -TNT units only.) The TNT option "Internet-enables" Avtech pulse generators by adding this standard Ethernet port to the rear panel, in addition to the IEEE-488.2 GPIB and RS-232 ports normally found on "-B" units. Commands may be sent using the standard Telnet protocol, or using a web browser. The SCPI-compliant command set is the same as that used for GPIB and RS-232 control. The -TNT option uses the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) to obtain its network address. A DHCP server must be present on the local network for the -TNT option to operate properly.
9. AMP Connector. (Optional feature. Present on -EA units only.) The output amplitude can be set to track the voltage on this input. Zero Volts in corresponds to zero amplitude output, and +10 V in corresponds to maximum amplitude out. This mode is activated by selecting "Ext Control" on the front-panel amplitude menu, or with the "source:voltage external" command.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

## BASIC TEST ARRANGEMENT

The AVR-GHV4-B-P-BR-QTKA should be tested with an oscilloscope with a bandwidth of at least 100 MHz to properly observe the high-speed waveform. A typical test arrangement is shown below:


## BASIC PULSE CONTROL

This instrument can be triggered by its own internal clock or by an external TTL trigger signal. In either case, three output channels respond to the trigger: OUT, NOT-OUT and SYNC. The OUT and NOT-OUT channels are the signals that are applied to the loads. Their amplitude and pulse widths are variable. The SYNC pulse is a fixed-width TTL-level reference pulse used to trigger oscilloscopes or other measurement systems. When the delay is set to a positive value the SYNC pulse precedes the OUT pulse. When the delay is set to a negative value the SYNC pulse follows the OUT pulse.

These pulses are illustrated below, assuming internal triggering and a positive delay:


Figure $A$

If the delay is negative, the order of the SYNC and OUT pulses is reversed:


Figure $B$

The next figure illustrates the relationship between the signal when an external TTLlevel trigger is used:


Figure C

As before, if the delay is negative, the order of the SYNC and OUT pulses is reversed.
The delay, pulse width, and frequency (when in the internal mode), of the OUT pulse can be varied with front panel controls or via the GPIB or RS-232 computer interfaces.

## TRIGGER MODES

This instrument has four trigger modes:

- Internal Trigger: the instrument controls the trigger frequency, and generates the clock internally.
- External Trigger: the instrument is triggered by an external TTL-level clock on the back-panel TRIG connector.
- Manual Trigger: the instrument is triggered by the front-panel "SINGLE PULSE" pushbutton.
- Hold Trigger: the instrument is set to not trigger at all.

These modes can be selected using the front panel trigger menu, or by using the appropriate programming commands. (See the "Programming Manual for -B Instruments" for more details.)

## GATING MODES

Triggering can be suppressed by a TTL-level signal on the rear-panel GATE connector. The instrument can be set to stop triggering when this input high or low, using the frontpanel gate menu or the appropriate programming commands. This input can also be set to act synchronously or asynchronously. When set to asynchronous mode, the GATE will disable the output immediately. Output pulses may be truncated. When set to synchronous mode, the output will complete the full pulse width if the output is high, and then stop triggering. No pulses are truncated in this mode.

## BURST GENERATION (-BR OPTION)

The waveforms given above assume that a single output pulse is generated for each trigger event (regardless of the source). However, when the burst mode feature is used on units with the -BR option, the instrument can generate 1-500 pulses for each individual trigger event. The number of output pulses in each burst can be adjusted from 1 to 500 using the front-panel controls (using the " N " menu), or by a computer command. The time between pulses (i.e., from the falling edge of one pulse to the rising edge of the next pulse) can also varied from 0.9 us to 1.0 seconds from the front panel (using the "BUR" menu), or by computer command.

The figure below shows burst mode operation (i.e., $N>1$ ) used with internal triggering:


The figure below shows burst mode operation used with external triggering:


The burst mode may also be used with the front-panel "Single Pulse" pushbutton as a trigger source. (Pressing the pushbutton will actually generate a single burst, rather than a single pulse, in this mode.) Computer commands can also trigger a burst.

To control the burst count and timing from the front-panel, use the "N" and "BUR" menus. To control them using computer commands, use the SOURce:PULSe:COUNt and SOURce:PULSe:SEParation commands, as described in the programming manual.

The pulse spacing is constrained by several factors:

1. The maximum PRF limitation of the instrument applies within the burst. That is, timing between two consecutive leading edges must lie between a minimum of $1 / \mathrm{PRF}_{\text {MAX }}$ and a maximum of 1.0 seconds, where $\mathrm{PRF}_{\text {MAX }}$ is the maximum pulse repetition frequency specification for the instrument.

For this instrument, the maximum PRF for the instrument is 100 kHz , so the time between two leading edges within the burst may not be smaller than 10 microseconds. The total number of pulses per second (i.e., Trigger Frequency $x$

Burst Count) must also be less than 100 kHz .
2. The maximum duty cycle limitation of the instrument can not be exceeded inside the burst. Within the burst, the duty cycle may be calculated using $\mathrm{DC}_{\mathrm{BURST}}=$ 100\% x Pulse Width / (Pulse Width + Pulse Separation). The total average duty cycle is equal to $D C_{A V G}=100 \% \times$ Pulse Width $\times$ Burst Count $\times$ Trigger Frequency. Both $D C_{B U R S T}$ and $D_{A V G}$ must be less than the rated maximum duty cycle of the instrument.

For this instrument, the maximum duty cycle is $80 \%$.

## CABLING CONSIDERATIONS

The rise and fall times are fixed at less than 30 ns . The rise and fall times will degrade for non-zero lengths of cable, due to the product of the 50 Ohm output impedance and the cable capacitance. The maximum cable length for operation (with degraded rise and fall times) is 2 meters ( 6 feet).

The output is designed to drive loads of $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ or higher. Attaching a $50 \Omega$ load may damage the instrument.

## PREVENTING DAMAGE

The AVR-GHV4-B-P-BR-QTKA may fail if triggered at a PRF greater than 100 kHz .
This unit is designed to operate into a load impedance of $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ or higher. The output may be damaged if load impedances lower than $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ are used. Never use a 50 Ohm load.

The lifetime of the switching elements in the pulse generator module is proportional to the running time of the instrument. For this reason the prime power to the instrument should be turned off when the instrument is not in use.

## MECHANICAL INFORMATION

## TOP COVER REMOVAL

If necessary, 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).

Always disconnect the power cord and allow the instrument to sit unpowered for 10 minutes before opening the instrument. This will allow any internal stored charge to discharge.

There are no user-adjustable internal circuits. For repairs other than fuse replacement, please contact Avtech (info@avtechpulse.com) to arrange for the instrument to be returned to the factory for repair. Service is to be performed solely by qualified service personnel.

食 Caution: High voltages are present inside the instrument during normal operation. Do not operate the instrument with the cover removed.

## 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 loads using shielded coaxial cables. Unused outputs should be terminated with shielded coaxial terminators or with shielded coaxial dust caps, to prevent unintentional electromagnetic radiation. All cords and cables should be less than $3 m$ in length.

## MAINTENANCE

## REGULAR MAINTENANCE

This instrument does not require any regular maintenance.
On occasion, one or more of the four rear-panel fuses may require replacement. All fuses can be accessed from the rear panel. See the "FUSES" section for details.

## CLEANING

If desired, the interior of the instrument may be cleaned using compressed air to dislodge any accumulated dust. (See the "TOP COVER REMOVAL" section for instructions on accessing the interior.) No other cleaning is recommended.

## WIRING DIAGRAMS

WIRING OF AC POWER


PCB 158H - LOW VOLTAGE POWER SUPPLY, 1/3


PCB 158H - LOW VOLTAGE POWER SUPPLY, 2/3


## PCB 158H - LOW VOLTAGE POWER SUPPLY, 3/3



PCB 168B - HIGH VOLTAGE DC POWER SUPPLY


PCB 104D - KEYPAD / DISPLAY BOARD, 1/3


## PCB 104D - KEYPAD / DISPLAY BOARD, 2/3



## PCB 104D - KEYPAD / DISPLAY BOARD, 3/3



## MAIN WIRING



PERFORMANCE CHECK SHEET

