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INSTRUCTIONS

MODEL AV-143CP-PS-EKA

0 to +4V IN, 0 to +30V OUT, TO 50 OHMS,

DUAL-CHANNEL

DC-COUPLED LINEAR AMPLIFIER

SERIAL NUMBER:

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INTRODUCTION

The Model AV-143CP-PS-EKA dual-channel DC-coupled linear amplifier has two independent amplifier channels ("A" and "B"), each with a gain (V_{OUT}/V_{IN}) of +7.5. Each of the two inputs may range from 0 to +4V. The input impedance is 1 k Ω . The corresponding outputs voltages are 0 to +30V, into load impedances of 50 Ω or greater.

The output rise and fall times are 60 ns or less.

-EKA OPTION

The standard AV-143CP-PS model has one input / output channel. The -EKA special option adds a second independent input / output channel. That is, two amplifiers are provided in a single chassis.

SPECIFICATIONS

Model:	AV-143CP-PS-EKA		
Number of independent amplifier channels:	Тwo		
Output amplitude: (max) ($R_L = 50\Omega$)	+ 30V		
Voltage Gain:	+7.5 (non-inverting)		
Rise, fall time (20%-80%):	≤ 60 ns		
Input impedance:	1 kΩ		
Output impedance:	2Ω		
Bandwidth:	DC-10 MHz		
Power out: (max)	18 Watts per channel		
Overshoot:	≤ 10%		
Prime power:	100 - 240 Volts, 50 - 60 Hz		
Connectors:	BNC		
Dimensions:	100 x 215 x 375 mm (3.9" x 8.5" x 14.8")		

EUROPEAN REGULATORY NOTES

EC DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

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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.

DIRECTIVE 2002/96/EC (WEEE)

European customers who have purchased this equipment directly from Avtech will have completed a "WEEE Responsibility Agreement" form, accepting responsibility for WEEE compliance (as mandated in Directive 2002/96/EC of the European Union and

local laws) on behalf of the customer, as provided for under Article 9 of Directive 2002/96/EC.

Customers who have purchased Avtech equipment through local representatives should consult with the representative to determine who has responsibility for WEEE compliance. Normally, such responsibilities with lie with the representative, unless other arrangements (under Article 9) have been made.

Requirements for WEEE compliance may include registration of products with local governments, reporting of recycling activities to local governments, and financing of recycling activities.



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.

POWER RATINGS

This instrument is intended to operate from 100 - 240 V, 50 - 60 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 "Schuko" 230V, 50Hz	Volex (http://www.volex.com)	17850-C3-326
		Qualtek (http://www.qualtekusa.com)	319004-T01
United Kingdom	BS 1363, 230V, 50Hz	Qualtek (http://www.qualtekusa.com)	370001-E01
Switzerland	SEV 1011, 2 30V, 50Hz	Volex (http://www.volex.com)	2102H-C3-10
Israel	SI 32, 220V, 50Hz	Volex (http://www.volex.com)	2115H-C3-10
North America, and all other areas	NEMA 5-15, 120V, 60 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:

- 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. Service is to be performed solely by qualified service personnel.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

This instrument is intended for use under the following conditions:

- 1. indoor use;
- 2. altitude up to 2 000 m;
- 3. temperature 5 °C to 40 °C;
- 4. maximum relative humidity 80 % for temperatures up to 31 °C decreasing linearly to 50 % relative humidity at 40 °C;
- 5. Mains supply voltage fluctuations up to ±10 % of the nominal voltage;

6. 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	Rating Ca		Recommended Replacement Part	
	Mains Voltage		Case Size	Littelfuse Part Number	Digi-Key Stock Number
#1, #2 (AC)	115 V	0.8A, 250V, Time-Delay	5×20 mm	0218.800HXP	F2418-ND
	230 V	0.5A, 250V, Time-Delay	5×20 mm	0218.500HXP	F2416-ND
#3 (DC)	N/A	2.0A, 250V, Time-Delay	5×20 mm	0218002.HXP	F2420-ND
#4 (DC)	N/A	1.6A, 250V, Time-Delay	5×20 mm	021801.6HXP	F2424-ND

The recommended fuse manufacturer is Littelfuse (http://www.littelfuse.com).

Replacement fuses may be easily obtained from Digi-Key (http://www.digikey.com) and other distributors.

FRONT PANEL CONTROLS



- 1. <u>POWER Switch</u>. 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. <u>OVERLOAD Indicator</u>. 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 is only likely to come on in two situations:

- Briefly at startup. This is not a cause for concern.
- When the load impedance is too low (< 50 kΩ). In this case, turn off the instrument and connect the proper load.
- 3. <u>IN A CONNECTOR.</u> The input for the "A" amplifier is applied to this BNC connector. The input voltage must always lie between 0 and +4V. Voltages outside of this range may damage the instrument. The input impedance is 1 k Ω . (Note, however, that if the "A" channel ON/OFF switch (see item 5) is "OFF", the input impedance will

be lower, and may distort any applied signal.)

- 4. <u>IN B CONNECTOR.</u> The input for the "B" amplifier is applied to this BNC connector. The input voltage must always lie between 0 and +4V. Voltages outside of this range may damage the instrument. The input impedance is 1 k Ω . (Note, however, that if the "B" channel ON/OFF switch (see item 6) is "OFF", the input impedance will be lower, and may distort any applied signal.)
- 5. <u>A ON/OFF SWITCH.</u> This switch must be set to "ON" to enable amplifier "A". If this switch is "OFF", no output signal will appear at the "OUT A" connector.
- 6. <u>B ON/OFF SWITCH.</u> This switch must be set to "ON" to enable amplifier "B". If this switch is "OFF", no output signal will appear at the "OUT A" connector.
- 7. <u>OUT A CONNECTOR</u>. This BNC connector provides the output signal for the "A" amplifier. This output can supply up to +30V into a 50Ω (or greater) load. The output impedance is approximately 2Ω .
- 8. <u>OUT B CONNECTOR</u>. This BNC connector provides the output signal for the "B" amplifier. This output can supply up to +30V into a 50 Ω (or greater) load. The output impedance is approximately 2Ω .

REAR PANEL CONTROLS



- 1. <u>AC POWER INPUT</u>. 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. <u>AC FUSE DRAWER</u>. 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. <u>DC FUSES</u>. These two fuses protect the internal DC power supplies. Please see the "FUSES" sections of this manual for more information.

GENERAL INFORMATION

BASIC CONTROL

The AV-143CP-PS-EKA is a DC-10 MHz fixed-gain linear amplifier. The gain of each of the two channels (designated "A" and "B") is approximately +7.5 V/V. The input and output voltages must be positive.

The required voltage input signals are applied at the "IN" connectors.

This operation is illustrated below:



This section describes a sequence to confirm the basic operation of the instrument. It should be performed after receiving the instrument. It is a useful learning exercise as well.



Basic Test Arrangement

- 1) Connect a 50 Ω , 20W non-inductive test load between the OUT A connector and ground.
- 2) Set the signal generator to produce a +4V, 10 kHz waveform. (The input impedance of the AV-143CP-PS-EKA is 1 k Ω). Connect a cable from the SYNC connector of the signal generator to the TRIG input of an oscilloscope. Set the oscilloscope to trigger externally. Connect the main output of the signal generator to the input of the amplifier.
- 3) Connect one oscilloscope probe (channel 1) to the output of the signal generator. Set the Channel 1 vertical scale to 2 V/div.
- 4) Connect one oscilloscope probe (channel 2) to the 50Ω load. On the oscilloscope, set the channel 1 vertical scale to 20 V/div, and the horizontal scale to 100 us/div.

- 5) Turn on the amplifier and the signal generator. Set the "OUT A ON/OFF" switch to "ON".
- 6) The Channel 2 waveform should have an amplitude of +30V, and have a shape similar to that of the Channel 1 waveform.
- 7) Repeat the previous steps using the IN B and OUT B connectors.
- 8) This completes the operational check.

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.

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

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 3m 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 158K - LOW VOLTAGE POWER SUPPLY. 2/3



PCB 158K - LOW VOLTAGE POWER SUPPLY, 3/3





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