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INSTRUCTIONS

MODEL AVC-C-PN-SLAC1 PULSE GENERATOR

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WARRANTY

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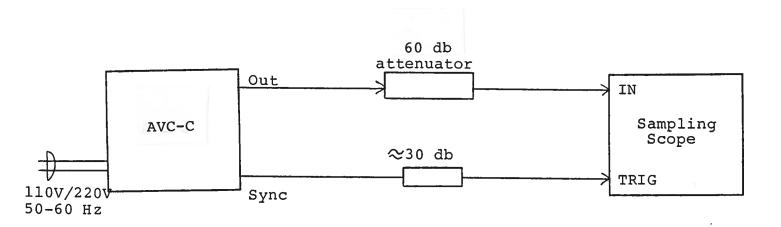
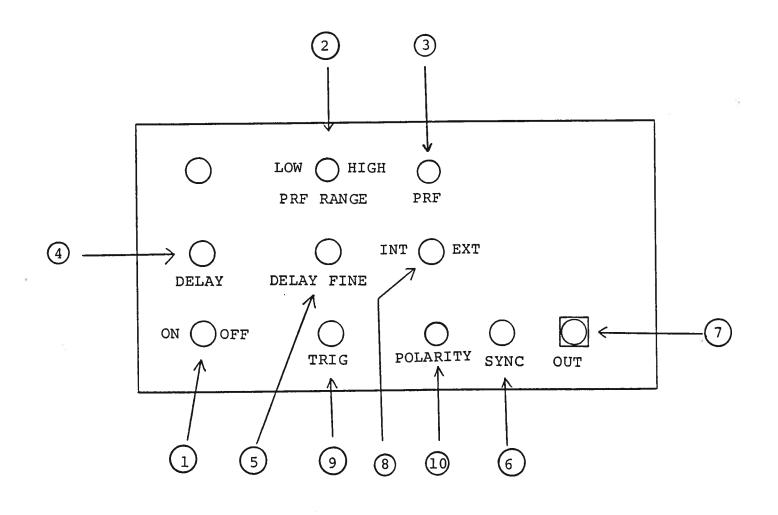


Fig. l

Notes:

- 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 60 db attenuator at the sampling scope vertical input channel will insure a peak input signal to the sampling scope of less than one volt.
- 3) The sync 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. The scope may then be used to set the desired PRF by rotating the PRF control and by means of the PRF range switch.
- 5) The output polarity is controlled by the TTL applied to the front panel POLARITY BNC. A low level (0 V) gives a positive output while a high level (+3 to +5V) gives a negative output.
- <u>NOTE</u>: The unit may require a warm-up time of about one minute before the waveform stabilizes.

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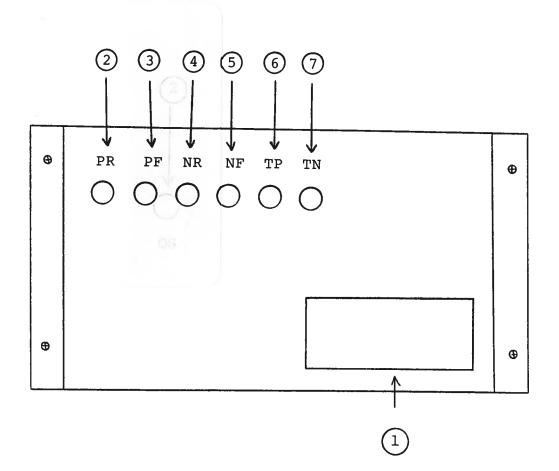


(1) ON-OFF Switch. Applies basic prime power to all stages.

(2) <u>PRF Control</u>. The PRF RANGE and PRF controls determine
 (3) output PRF as follows:

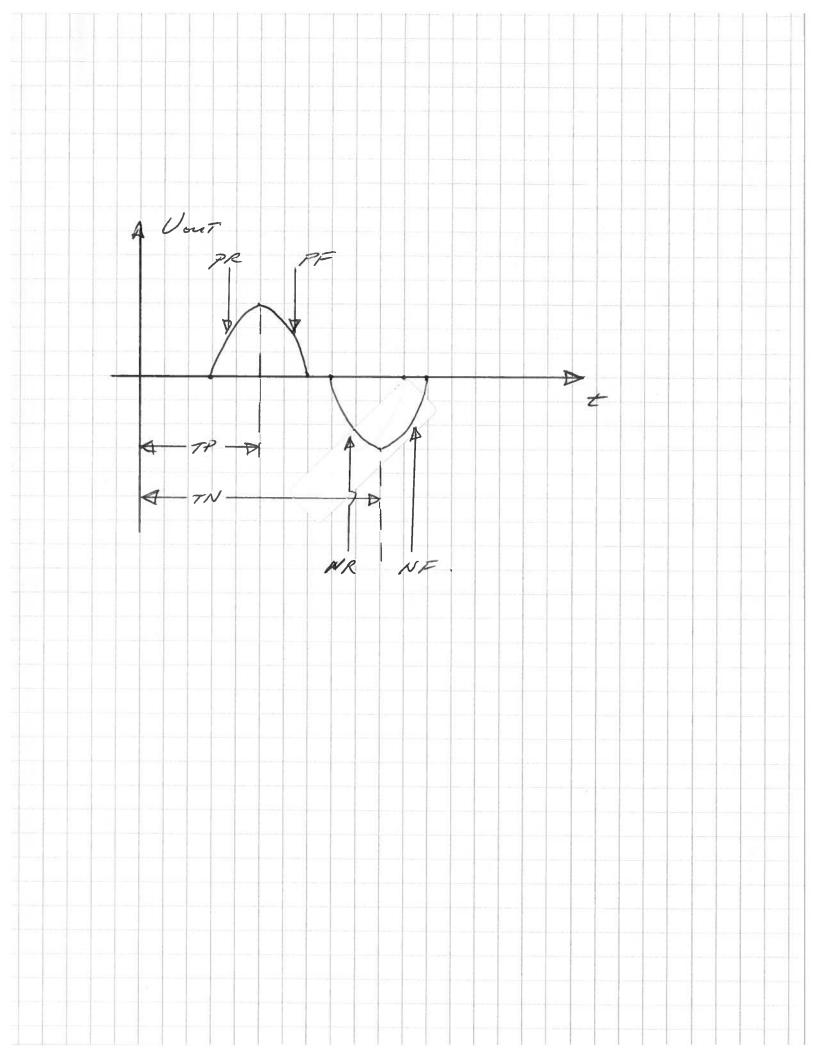
	PRF	MIN	PRF	MAX
LOW	10	Hz	2	KHz
HIGH	100	Hz	20	KHz

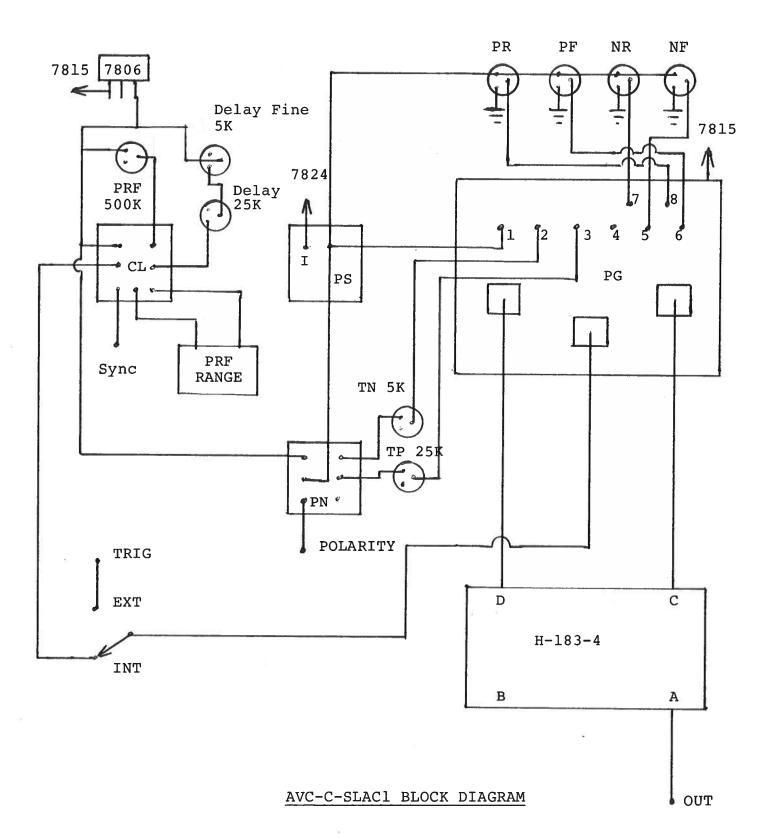
- (4) <u>DELAY Control</u>. Controls the relative delay between the
 (5) reference output pulse provided at the SYNC output (6) and the main output (7). This delay is variable over the range of 0 to at least 500 nsec.
- (6) <u>SYNC Output</u>. This output precedes the main output (7) and is used to trigger the sampling scope time base. The output is a TTL level 100 nsec (approx) pulse capable of driving a fifty ohm load.
- (7) <u>OUT</u>. SMA output connect provides output to a fifty ohm load.
- (8) <u>EXT-INT Control</u>. With this toggle switch in the INT position, the PRF of the AVC 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 AVC unit requires a 0.1 usec NIM level pulse 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.
- (9) <u>TRIG Input</u>. The external trigger signal is applied at this input when the EXT-INT toggle switch is in the EXT position (requires -0.7V NIM pulse 0.1 usec or wider).
- (10) <u>POLARITY</u>. Low level TTL applied at this point results in positive output. High level TTL applied results in negative output.



- (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.
- (2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)

One turn controls which control time position of various portions of waveform as shown below. Normally should not need adjustment.





SYSTEM BLOCK DIAGRAM

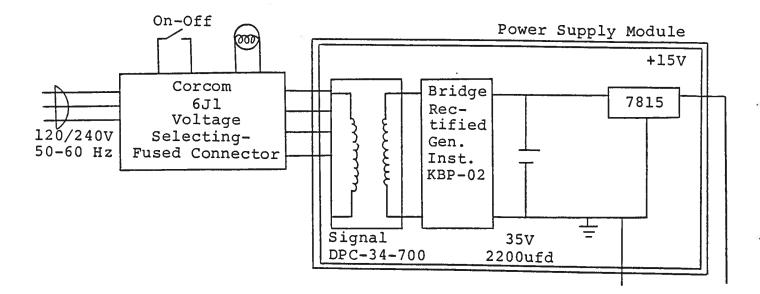


Fig. 4

The AVC-C consists of a pulse generator module (AVC-PG), a power supply module (-PS), a polarity module (-PN) and a clock module (AVC-CL) and a power supply board which supplies +15 volts (600 mA max) to the pulse generator module. In the event that the unit malfunctions, remove the instrument cover by removing the four Phillips screws on the back of the unit. The top lid may then be slid off. Measure the voltage at the +15V 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 50 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 module should be replaced or repaired. The sealed PG module must be returned to Avtech for repair (or replacement). The clock module provides a 0.1 usec NIM level trigger pulse at Pin 2 to trigger the PG module and a 0.1 usec 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 nsec depending on the DELAY control setting. The clock module is powered by +5.8 V supplied by the PG module (from Pin 2 to Pin 1). 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 usec outputs are observed at Pins 2 and 3.
- b) The PRF of the outputs can be varied over the range of 100 Hz to 20 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 500 nsec by the DELAY control.

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

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