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INSTRUCTIONS

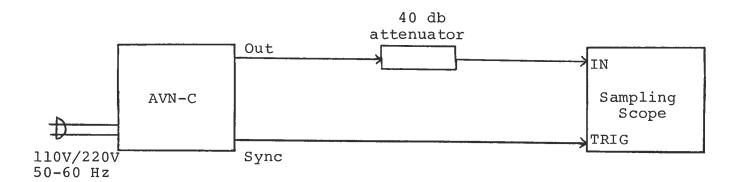
MODEL AVN-C-OT PULSE GENERATOR

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WARRANTY

Electrosystems Ltd. warrants products of manufacture to be free from defects in material workmanship under conditions of normal use. If, within one year after delivery to the original owner, and after prepaid return by the original owner, this Avtech product is found to be defective, Avtech shall at its option repair or replace said defective item. This warranty does not apply to units dissembled, modified or which have been subjected to conditions exceeding applicable specifications or the ratings. This warranty is the extent of the obligation or liability assumed by Avtech with respect to this product and no other warranty or guarantee is either expressed or implied.

PULSE GENERATOR TEST ARRANGEMENT

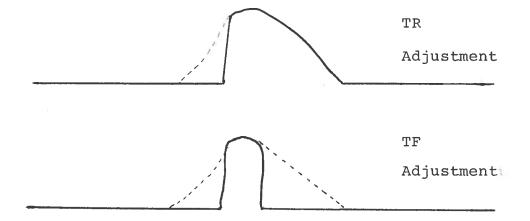


Notes:

- The bandwidth capability of components and instruments used to display the pulse generator output signal (attenuators, cables, connectors, etc.) should exceed ten gigahertz.
- The use of 40 db attenuator at the sampling scope vertical input channel will insure a peak input signal to the sampling scope of less than one volt.
- To obtain a stable output display the PRF and PRF FINE controls 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 scope triggering controls are then adjusted to obtain a stable output.
- The output pulse shape is determined by the two front panel pot controls TR and TF. TR controls the leading edge of the pulse while TF controls the falling edge. Clockwise rotation of TR and TF increases the output pulse width. Initially rotate the TF pot fully clockwise and set the TR pot at mid-range. The output amplitude is controlled by the front panel AMP control and by the input signal level. Initially the AMP control should be set maximum clockwise. The CRT display will resemble the following:

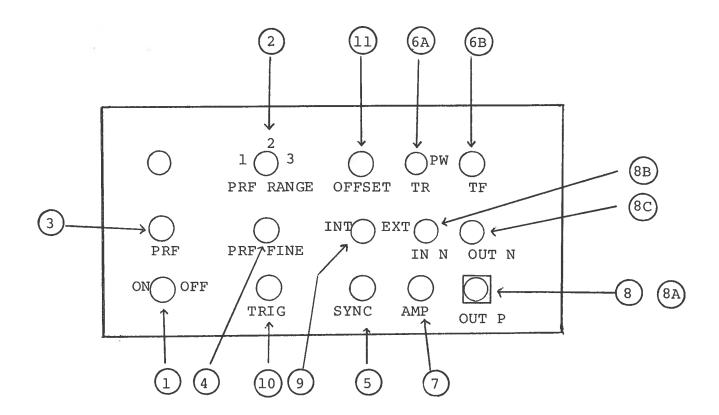


5) Having obtained a display of the form shown above, the desired pulse width is then obtained by adjusting the two front panel pots TR and TF. Rotate TR counter clockwise from the positive set in step 2) until a sharp 100 psec leading edge is observed. Then rotate TF counterclockwise until the desired pulse width and fall time are obtained.



Further iterative adjustments of TR and TF will be necessary to simultaneously obtain the lowest rise time, lowest fall time, the desired pulse width, and pulse top shape, and low spurious signal level. In addition some additional adjustment of signal level may be necessary to obtain the desired amplitude. If the input frequency is then changed it will be necessary to readjust AMP, TR and TF to establish the required pulse shape. Following the above sequence it is possible to generate output pulses having amplitudes of at least +2 volts with variable pulse width (at least from 200 to 1500 psec) with pulse repetition frequencies in the range of 50 to 260 MHz.

- 6) The output DC offset level is varied from -5 to +5V (to 50 ohm) by the front panel OFFSET one turn control. The DC offset may be turned off using the rear panel OS ON-OFF toggle switch.
- 7) For units with the dual output polarity option (-PN) a positive output pulse is obtained at the OUT P SMA connector. To obtain a negative output pulse, the OUT P port is connected to the IN N port via a short length of miniature 50 ohm coaxial cable. A negative output pulse is then obtained at the OUT N port.
- 8) To trigger externally, set the INT-EXT switch to EXT and connect a sine wave generator to the TRIG connector. The output PRF will equal the sine wave PRF. The sine wave amplitude should be set at 0.3 VRMS.



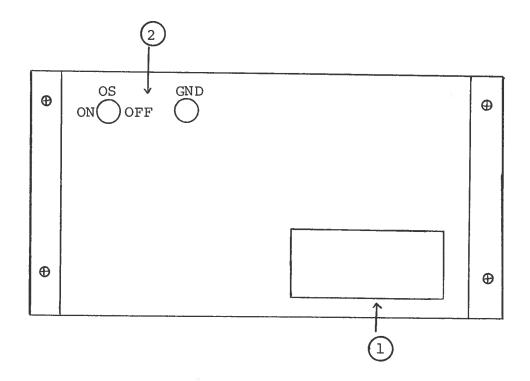
- (1) <u>ON-OFF Switch</u>. Applies basic prime power to all stages.
- (2) PRF Control. PRF RANGE, PRF and PRF FINE controls determine output PRF as follows:

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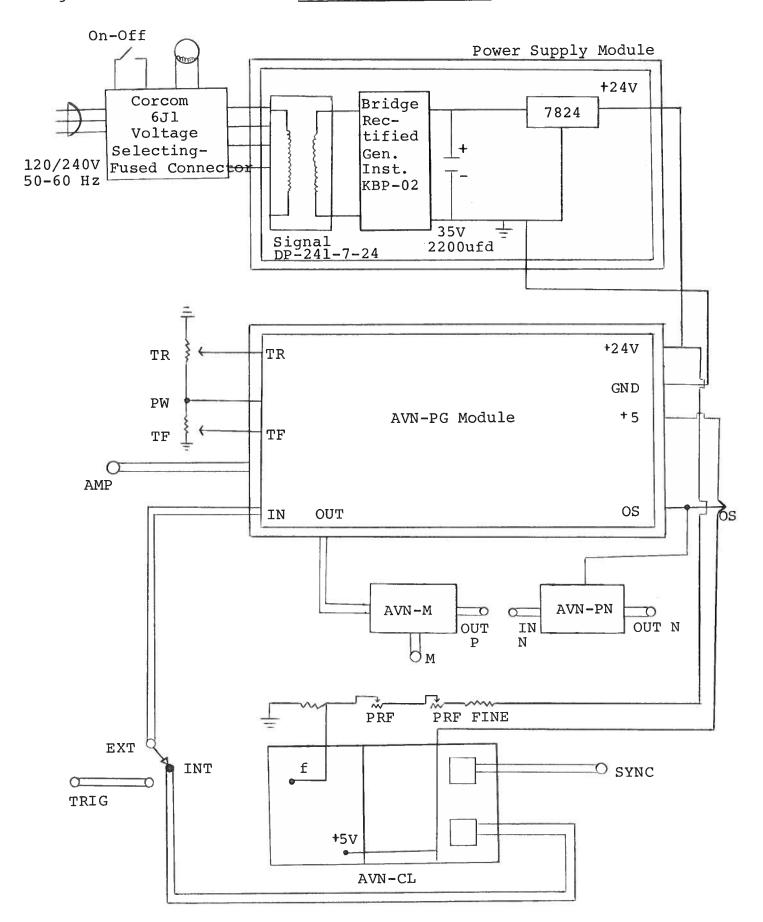
| (4) | | | PRF MIN | PRF MAX |
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| | Range | 1 | 50 MHz | 125 |
| | Range | 2 | 100 | 200 |
| | Range | 3 | 100 | 250 |

- (4) PRF FINE Control. This control varies PRF but is about 10 times less sensitive than the main PRF control.
- (5) SYNC Output. This output is approximately coincident with the main output (9) and is used to trigger the sampling scope time base. The output is a 30 mV sine wave capable of driving a fifty ohm load.
- (6) PW Control. One turn controls which vary the output pulse width. The output pulse shape is determined by the two front panel pot controls TR and TF. TR controls the leading edge of the pulse while TF controls the falling edge. Clockwise rotation of TR and TF increases the output pulse width.
- (7) AMP Control. A one turn control which varies the output pulse amplitude from 0 to max output to a fifty ohm load.
- (8) <u>OUT Connector</u>. SMA connector provides output to a fifty ohm load.
- (8A) <u>OUT P</u>. For units with dual output polarity option, provides positive output pulse.
- (8B) IN N. OUT N. For dual polarity option units connect OUT
- (8C) P to IN N port to obtain negative output pulse at OUT N port.
- (9) EXT-INT Control. With this toggle switch in the INT position, the PRF of the AVN unit is controlled via an internal clock which in turn is controlled by the PRF and PRF FINE controls. With the toggle switch in the EXT position, the AVN unit requires a 0.3 V RMS sine wave 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.
- (10) TRIG Input. The external trigger signal is applied at this input when the EXT-INT toggle switch is in the EXT position.
- (11) OFFSET Control. The output DC offset is varied from -5 to +5V (to 50 ohms) by this one turn control. OFFSET may be turned OFF using the back panel OS ON-OFF toggle switch.

BACK_PANEL CONTROLS



- (1) <u>FUSED CONNECTOR</u>, <u>VOLTAGE SELECTOR</u>. 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) <u>DC OFFSET</u>. To turn DC output offset OFF put toggle switch in OFF position.



SYSTEM DESCRIPTION AND REPAIR PROCEDURE

The AVN-C consists of a pulse generator module (AVN-PG), a clock module (AVN-CL) and a power supply board which supplies +24 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 may then be slid off. Measure the voltage at the +24V pin of the PG module. If this voltage is substantially less than +24 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 +24 V DC. If this voltage is substantially less than 24 volts the PS module is defective and should be repaired or replaced. If the voltage across the resistor is near 24 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 0.3 V RMS sine wave to trigger the PG module and a 30 mV sine wave to trigger the sampling scope display device. The clock module is powered by +5.0V supplied by the PG module. With the INT-EXT switch in the EXT position, the clock module is disconnected from the PG module.

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

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