

Model 2030

Multifunction Waveform Synthesizer

The Model 2030 Multifunction Waveform Synthesizer is a high-performance, easy-to-use instrument that provides an unprecedented functionality and waveform fidelity at a very affordable price. With a large interactive graphic display, 50 MHz data point output rate, and an endless selection and combination of functions, it can address a wide range of applications in any situation that requires high precision, flexibility, and speed.

Incorporating GPIB control and a floating analog output, the 2030 meets the most stringent requirements of automated test systems, including tests where programmability and precisely generated signals, such as sine waves, pulses, arbitrary functions, random noise, combinations of functions, and modulations, are essential for successful testing.

By using a proprietary combination of digital signal processing and innovative state-of-the-art, high-speed analog techniques, this synthesizer offers a degree of waveform accuracy, stability, and resolution not previously achieved in any single synthesizer instrument. For example, harmonic distortion of the sine wave output is typically -80 dB (≤ 100 kHz), with an output amplitude flatness better than ± 0.1 dB, increasing to only 0.3 dB at 20 MHz.

The range of standard functions and features extends to phase, FM, and multimode AM modulation modes and includes many advanced features such as linear and logarithmic sweeping and \sin^2/x modulations. All standard functions, including noise and glitch, can be summed to achieve the desired custom output.

A library of additional waveforms includes Fast Rise Square Wave, \sin^2/x , \sin^2/x , Glitch, RC Low Pass and RC High Pass. For highly specialized functions, the unit will accept data files through its IEEE-488 interface. The deep dual memory capacity of over 250,000 data points with high-speed output (20 ns/point) makes this instrument an ideal signal source for bench, laboratory, and manufacturing test environments.



FEATURES

- High-Speed 50 MS/s Output
- Deep Dual 250k-point Memory
- High Purity Digitally Synthesized Output
- Isolated Output for High Noise Immunity
- Exceptional Amplitude Flatness – within 0.3 dB at 20 MHz
- Frequency Resolution of 0.1 ppm
- Easy-to-Use Interactive Graphic Interface
- Menu of a Wide Variety of Outputs
- Modulated Outputs
- Built-in Waveform Library
- Customized Waveform Capability
- Multi-unit Precise Synchronization for Production Test Flexibility
- Reliable Low-power Design
- Standard GPIB and ARB Software Download

APPLICATIONS

- Acoustics and Speech Analysis
- Electromechanical
- Geophysics
- Medical Research
- Digital Communications
- ATE
- Sonar Simulation
- Dynamic LCD Testing

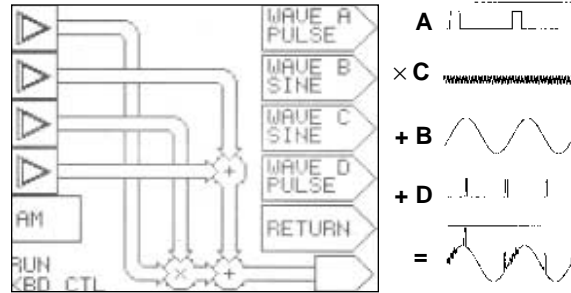
Fast, Easy Operation

With the 2030, generating precision waveforms is easier than ever. From simple menus, you can readily select either standard functions and modulations, or a host of functions from a built-in library. Frequency and other parameters are instantly set with a single, large control knob that gives the instrument a real-time “analog feel.” Specific values are keyed-in directly. More than 50 complete waveform setups can be stored internally by name, for immediate output when needed.



Exact bandwidth of the $\sin x/x$ modulated burst is menu-selectable.

Producing even complex, custom waveforms is no problem with the graphic display and soft keys. An interactive flow diagram enables the user to sum and modulate different standard functions as desired. In the example



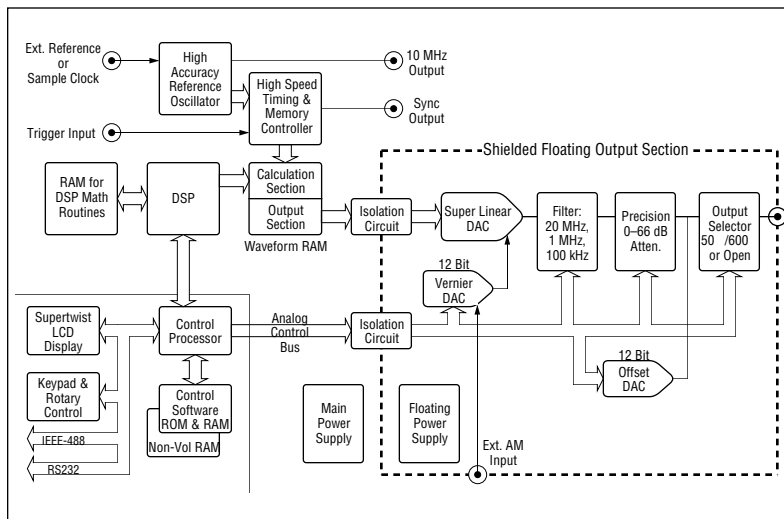
Flow diagram represents modulator, carrier and waveforms added to obtain the output shown.

shown, Wave A (top input of diagram) modulates Carrier C; then B and D are added. Desired noise levels may be added before or after modulation. In fact, an endless variety of signal combinations are at the operator’s fingertips.

Precision and Versatility

Because of its enormous flexibility in waveform generation and its excellent signal quality, the 2030 Waveform Synthesizer is virtually immune to obsolescence.

In production test, for example, where changes and upgrades to manufactured product often call for expensive new test equipment, the 2030 will be a viable signal source through many years of product change. Should new types of modulation or more accurate signals be required, the synthesizer is ready.



The Model 2030 Block Diagram.

The synthesizer’s floating analog output to ensures immunity to noise problems encountered in system test set ups. It also offers triggered start, stop, or windowing, and generates counted waveform bursts that either stop at the end of a complete cycle or stop and hold the current level. A high-stability frequency reference is standard. Multiple-unit synchronization is provided through common clocking or by locking frequencies with an external reference.

Applications

The applications illustrated are samples of what the versatile 2030 Synthesizer can do.

Clocking Source for ATE

Ideal for general production test, the 2030 also provides accurate and flexible clocking for a variety of devices such as timing circuits, multiplexers, DACs, ADCs, and memories. A fast 15 ns pulse rise time drives clock-sensitive CMOS memories. Over 50 user test signals can be stored in the unit.

Digital Communications

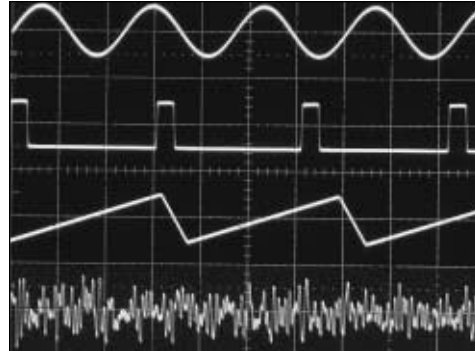
Testing modern communications products, such as modems, requires various special signals and modulations. The 2030 produces many of these, including phase shift keying and frequency shift keying, over a wide range of frequency and modulation rates. Menus allow fast, precise setup to industry-standard test specifications. To test jitter immunity, a specified phase modulation rate and maximum phase angle are entered.

Sonar Simulation

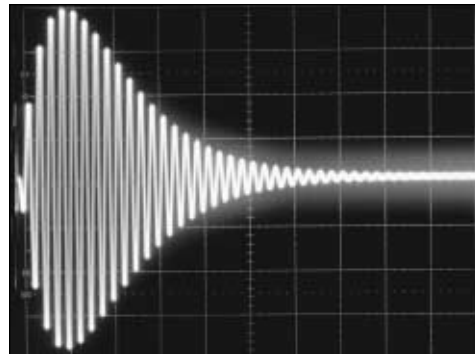
The 2030 tests the detection capability of a phased sonar array without the expense of field recording by simulating a target using 3 primary tones plus noise. The noise amplitude and spectral line spacing may be altered to mask some of the tones. Non-sinusoidal tones are simulated with square, triangle, or modulated signals.

Dynamic LCD Testing

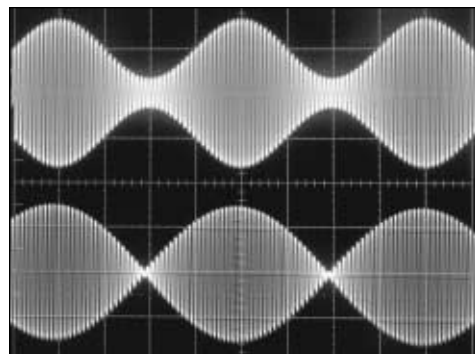
LCD displays require pulsed AC drive for fastest response. The 2030 provides full control of pulse modulation, enabling detailed study of LCD characteristics.



The full selection of standard functions includes programmable noise.



The exponential decay envelope simulates a drum beat or an RF loran burst.



Standard AM and suppressed carrier are generated with high accuracy.

SPECIFICATIONS

FREQUENCY RANGE

DC - 50 MHz Data point rate. See individual functions for specific frequency ranges.

FUNCTIONS

Standard (Sine, square, triangle, pulse, ramp up/down, random noise, DC, glitch)
Modulations and Sweeps
Combined Waveforms
Arbitrary Waveforms
Waveform Library

OUTPUT

Source Impedance

50Ω/600Ω ±1%

Amplitude Range

5 mV to 10V p-p
10 mV to 20V p-p with no load

Amplitude Resolution

0.1% of output voltage within each of 11 cascaded auto-switching 2:1 attenuator ranges

Amplitude Accuracy

±1%, absolute
0.2%, relative, typ.

Offset Range

±5V in 1.25 mV steps
±10V with no load

Offset Accuracy

±1% ±200 μV (20 to 30°C)
±34 μV/°C

Frequency Stability

±2 ppm, 0° to 50°C
±2 ppm/yr

Frequency Resolution

1 ppm +1 MHz max.

Relative Frequency Accuracy

< 0.2 ppm

Noise

100 μV RMS DC to 10 MHz Typ.

Jitter

0.005% waveform period +100 ps RMS for sine, 0.05% +100 ps RMS for other waveforms

Protection

±15V

TRIGGER

Source

Manual., external, bus

Modes

Free run, counted burst, gated, start, stop, start/stop

SINE WAVE

Frequency Range

0.001 Hz to 20 MHz

Amplitude Flatness

±0.1 dB DC to 100 kHz
±0.2 dB 100 kHz to 1 MHz
±0.3 dB 1 MHz to 20 MHz

Harmonics + Spurious

-70 dBc 1 MHz to 20 kHz
-65 dBc 20 kHz to 100 kHz
-55 dBc 100 kHz to 1 MHz
-25 dBc 1 MHz to 20 MHz

Phase Range

±360° in 0.1° increments

Phase Accuracy

±1.0° DC to 100 kHz

TRIANGLE AND RAMP

Frequency Range

0.001 Hz to 2 MHz

Nonlinearity 10% - 90%

±0.05% up to 10 kHz
±0.5% 10 kHz up to 1 MHz

Ringings

< 0.1% up to 10 kHz
< 0.2% 10k to 1 MHz

Triangle Symmetry

User adjustable from 5% to 95% in 0.1% steps, with 0.1% accuracy

Triangle Delay Range

±360° in 0.1° steps

SQUARE AND PULSE

Frequency Range

0.001 Hz to 5 MHz

Pulse Polarity

Positive with zero volt baseline

Duty Cycle

Adjustable from 5% to 95% in 0.1% steps, with 0.1% accuracy

Delay Range

±1 waveform period in steps of 0.1 μs to 0.1 ms, depending on the frequency selected

Rise Time

15 ns DC to 1.47 Hz
10 μs 1.47 Hz to 1 kHz
1 μs 1 kHz to 10 kHz
50 ns 10 kHz to 5 MHz
15 ns in Fast Square

Overshoot and Ringing

< 0.1% up to 10 kHz
< 0.2% 10k to 1 MHz

NOISE FUNCTION

Amplitude Range

1 mV to 1.8V RMS-steps of 1 μV / 1 mV(no load)

Noise Spectral Distribution

Pseudo random with the ability to set number of spectral lines

MODULATION AND SWEEPS

Modulation Types

AM DSB, DSB SC, AM SSB, SSB SC, FM, FM, Expon. Decay, Sinx/x

Carrier Range

0.001 Hz to 20 MHz

Modulation Rate

0.001 Hz to Carrier frequency in steps of <0.4% (<0.1 ppm with reduced carrier resolution)

Modulation Span—(within 20 MHz bandwidth)

AM: 0.0% to 200.0%

FM: lesser of ±carrier/2 or ±2 MHz

ΦM: ±7200 degrees

Envelope Distortion

AM: <1%

Exponential Decay Envelope

t²e^{-at} envelope defined by peak time, duration

Sinx/x Envelope

Defined by bandwidth, repetition rate

External Modulation

0 to 40% AM

Sweeps

Linear and log, phase continuous

COMBINED WAVEFORMS

Up to 4 standard functions can be summed or used in modulation including glitch

Carrier

Any standard function

Modulator

Summation of up to 3 standard functions

Modulation Type

AM, FM, or ΦM

Post-modulation Summation

Up to 2 standard functions

ARBITRARY WAVEFORMS

Waveform Length

2k to 256k points

WAVEFORM LIBRARY

Fast Square, sin^x, sinx/x, RC lowpass/high-pass filtered square wave
Additional libraries are being developed.

GENERAL

Non-volatile Memory

Over 50 instrument set ups

Rear Panel Inputs

Trigger, Ext. Clock/Reference, Modulation (AM)

Rear Panel Outputs

Function, 10 MHz Reference, Sync/Marker

Interfaces

RS-232 and IEEE-488

Operating Temperature

0 to 50°C

Power

< 30W, 100/120/220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz

DIMENSIONS

8.5" x 5.2" x 16.9" (WxHxD)

216 x 132 x 429 mm

Weight

13 lb (6 kg)

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USE PROPER GROUNDING

A three-conductor power cord is supplied with this instrument. To minimize the hazard of shock, the instrument chassis and cabinet should be connected to electrical ground. The power cable should be either plugged into an approved, three-wire, grounded electrical outlet or used with a three-to-two-wire adapter with the ground (green) wire solidly connected to a good electrical ground at the power outlet.

DO NOT OPEN THE CABINET FOR ANY REASON

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OBSERVE ALL WARNINGS, CAUTIONS AND NOTES

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Section 1

Introduction

1.1 ABOUT THIS MANUAL

This manual describes the installation and operation of the Model 2030 Multifunction Waveform Synthesizer. The information is organized into the following sections:

Section 1, *Introduction*, describes the scope of this manual and the instrument. It also provides information on seeking technical assistance and arranging customer service.

Section 2, *Getting Started*, describes unpacking and setting up the instrument. Provides a step-by-step start-up procedure for the first-time user, explaining all basic operating conventions.

Section 3, *Local Operation*, explains how to generate waveforms using the menu-driven operation of this instrument.

Section 4, *Remote Operation*, covers remote communications with the 2030 using the RS-232 or IEEE-488 interface.

Section 5, *IEEE-bus and Arbitrary Waves*, describes additional remote control functions using the GPIB and arbitrary waveform generation.

Section 6, *Applications*, suggests various ways of using the instrument and describes some special methods and techniques.

Section 7, *Specifications*, lists detailed specifications of the instrument.

1.2 PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The 2030 is a versatile 20-MHz Multifunction Waveform Synthesizer capable of generating a wide variety of waveforms with exceptionally low distortion and high accuracy. Here is a summary of its functions and features:

Functions

- STANDARD WAVES: Sine, Square, Triangle, Pulse, Ramp Up/Down, DC Level, and Pseudo-Random Noise.
- MODULATED WAVES: Amplitude Modulation (AM), Frequency Modulation (FM), Phase Modulation, External AM, Exponential Decay, Linear and Logarithmic Sweep and sin X/X.
- COMBINED WAVES: Sum and product combinations of up to four standard functions.
- SPECIAL WAVES: Miscellaneous special-purpose waveforms.
- ARBITRARY WAVES: Pre-calculated waveforms received from an external source via the built-in IEEE-488 bus.

Features

- Interactive graphics user interface for ease of operation.
- Menu-driven operation of standard and specialized functions with additive noise.
- Customized waveforms by combining and modulating standard functions.
- Versatile triggering and gating capabilities.
- RS232 interface and IEEE-488 (GPIB) instrumentation bus for remote operation.
- Isolated output for high noise immunity.
- Exceptional amplitude flatness, within 0.3 dB at 20 MHz.
- Frequency resolution of 0.1 ppm.
- Deep dual 250K data point memory.

1.3 SERVICE AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT

If the instrument you have received fails to operate upon arrival, contact your dealer or the Measurement and Control Division (MCD) Order Entry service at Analogic in Peabody, MA 01960 to arrange for an exchange. Upon contacting MCD Order Entry, you will be given a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number.

To arrange for an exchange:

Call MCD Order Entry (508) 977-3000, X3871 FAX (508) 532-6097

To get technical assistance with your particular application:

Call MCD Applications Engineering (508) 977-3000 FAX (508) 531-1266

To arrange for service, contact Analogic's Customer Service Office:

Telephone: (508) 977-3000 Repairs: X3617 Parts: X3614

When contacting Customer Service, please have the following information available:

- Model number
- Serial number
- Purchase order number
- Quantity being returned
- A detailed description of the malfunction,
- Customer's "Bill To" and "Ship To" address.

When you call, the Service Coordinator will give you a customer service order number (CSO), the warranty status of the units being returned, and the repair charge, if any. The CSO number is your authorization number. Please write this number on your purchase order and shipping label.

Send authorized returns to Analogic Corporation, 8 Centennial Drive, Peabody, MA 01960, Attn: Receiving Dock B.

After the material has been returned, you will receive an acknowledgment copy of the CSO which will be marked with the scheduled return date.

Section 2

Getting Started

2.1 INTRODUCTION

This section is written for the first-time user. It includes unpacking instructions, a detailed description of the front and rear panels, bench-top installation instructions and an initial checkout procedure. The initial checkout procedure is designed to familiarize you with basic operating conventions.

2.2 UNPACKING INSTRUCTIONS

Remove the instrument from the shipping carton and check that you have received the following accessories:

- 110/120 Vac Line Cord (Domestic) or 220 Vac Line Cord (Export)
- 0.5A Fuse (Domestic) or 0.25A Fuse (Export)
- BNC/BNC Cable
- 50 Ω Terminator
- Hardware User's Manual

Thoroughly inspect the instrument for physical damage. If you detect any damage, file a claim with your carrier immediately. A carrier's report is required for settlement of all damage-in-shipment claims. Be sure to save the shipping carton and packing materials.

2.3 FRONT PANEL CONTROLS

The front panel layout is given in Figure 2-1. The front panel consists of a display screen, user interface controls and an output connector.

The display is a bright, easy-to-read liquid crystal display (LCD) with adjustable contrast and brightness levels. The display and the front panel pushbutton keys provide the user interface for operating this menu-driven instrument.

The front panel keys are grouped by function. Software-defined function keys (Softkeys) are aligned with the right and left vertical borders of the display so that they can easily be associated with a displayed function definition. The group of labeled dedicated function keys under the display always perform their assigned set-up or control function. A standard numeric keypad is included on the right-hand side of the panel for direct entry of parameter values. The right/left arrow keys and the Rotary Encoder are used for scrolling through menu selections and changing parameter values.

The BNC connector in the lower right-hand corner is the main signal output and is electrically connected to the output connector on the rear panel. This is a standard BNC connector.

2.4 INPUT/OUTPUT CONNECTIONS

Except for the main signal output connector on the front panel, all I/O connections are on the rear panel as described in Figure 2-2. Except for the IEEE-488 and RS232 interface, all connections are BNC connectors. The power input module, which contains the ac line fuses, can be configured for various ac input voltages. To change the line voltage configuration, see Section 2.5.

Softkeys

Software-defined function keys which select or activate the function displayed on the screen. Some functions call up a submenu of parameters to set up before performing the function.

Move Left / Delete Key

When a selected parameter has a numeric value, this key moves the cursor one position to the left in this numeric field. The Rotary Encoder increases or decreases the numeric value starting at the cursor position. For submenus and parameters that have a pre-defined list of selections, this key steps through the list in bottom-to-top order. When entering a numeric value from the keypad, this key performs a delete function which erases the last digit entered.

Rotary Encoder

A multi-purpose control used in conjunction with displayed information called up by a softkey. For example, it can increase or decrease any numeric parameter value, or scroll through a pre-defined list of parameter selections.

Move Right Key

When a selected parameter has a numeric value, this key moves the cursor one position to the right in this numeric field. The cursor indicates which digit is selected and subject to change by rotating the Rotary Encoder. For submenus and parameters that have a pre-defined list of selections, this key steps through the list in top-to-bottom order.

Numeric Keypad

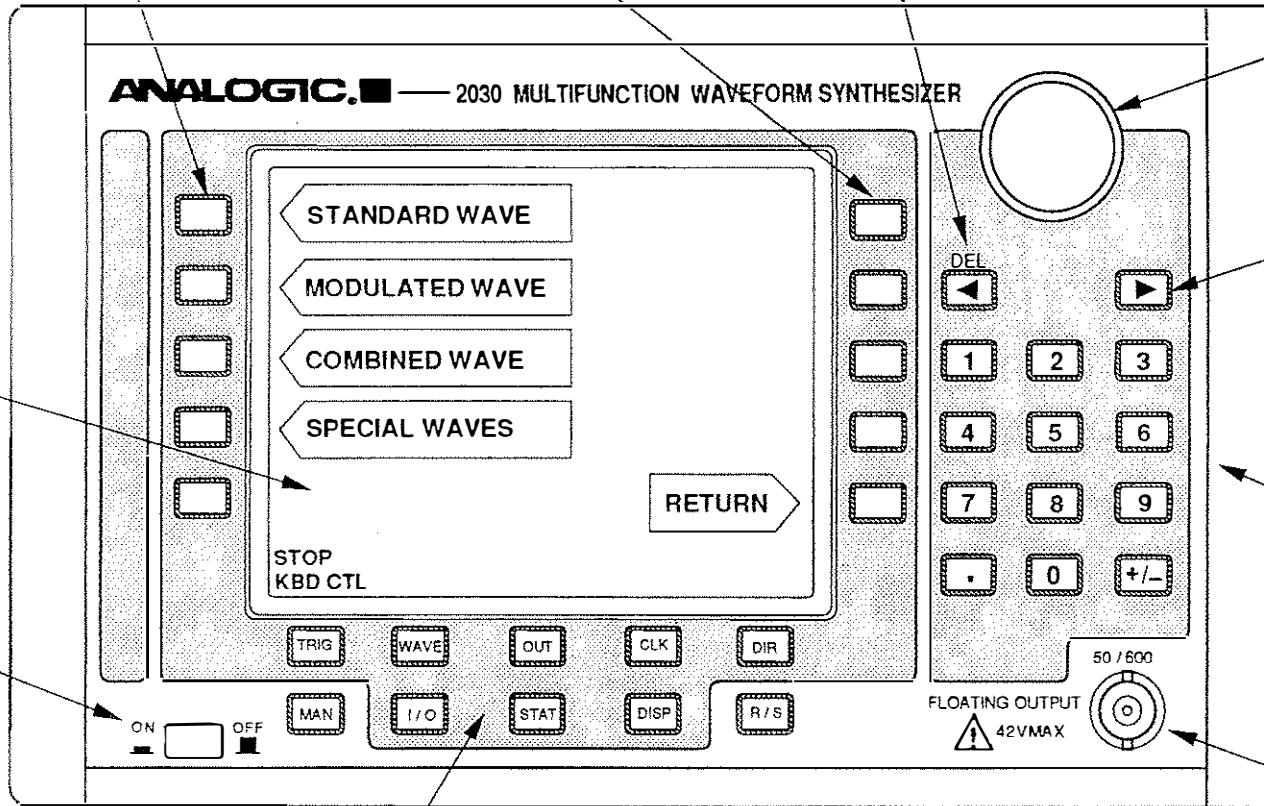
For entering specific parameter values.

Display Screen

A liquid crystal display (LCD) with adjustable contrast and backlight levels is the user interface to the instrument's software operation (Waveform Menu is shown).

Power ON/OFF

A two-position pushbutton switch. Push in for ON, push in again to release for OFF.



Dedicated Function Keys

TRIG
Calls up the Trigger Set-Up Menu (Trigger Type, Trigger Source, Trigger Level and Gate Type).

WAVE
Calls up the Waveform Menu (Standard, Combined, Modulated and Special Waves).

OUT
Calls up the Output Menu (50 or 600 ohm output impedance).

CLK
Calls up the Clock Source Menu (External Clock, Internal Clock or External Reference).

DIR
Calls up a list of all established waveform files.

MAN
Generates a manual trigger pulse.

I/O
Calls up the I/O Control Menu (Keyboard, GPIB and RS232).

STAT
Displays a summary of 2030 set-up.

DISP
Calls up the Display Menu (Contrast, Backlight and Display Units).

R/S
Starts and Stops the output of the generator.

Main Signal Output Connector (BNC)

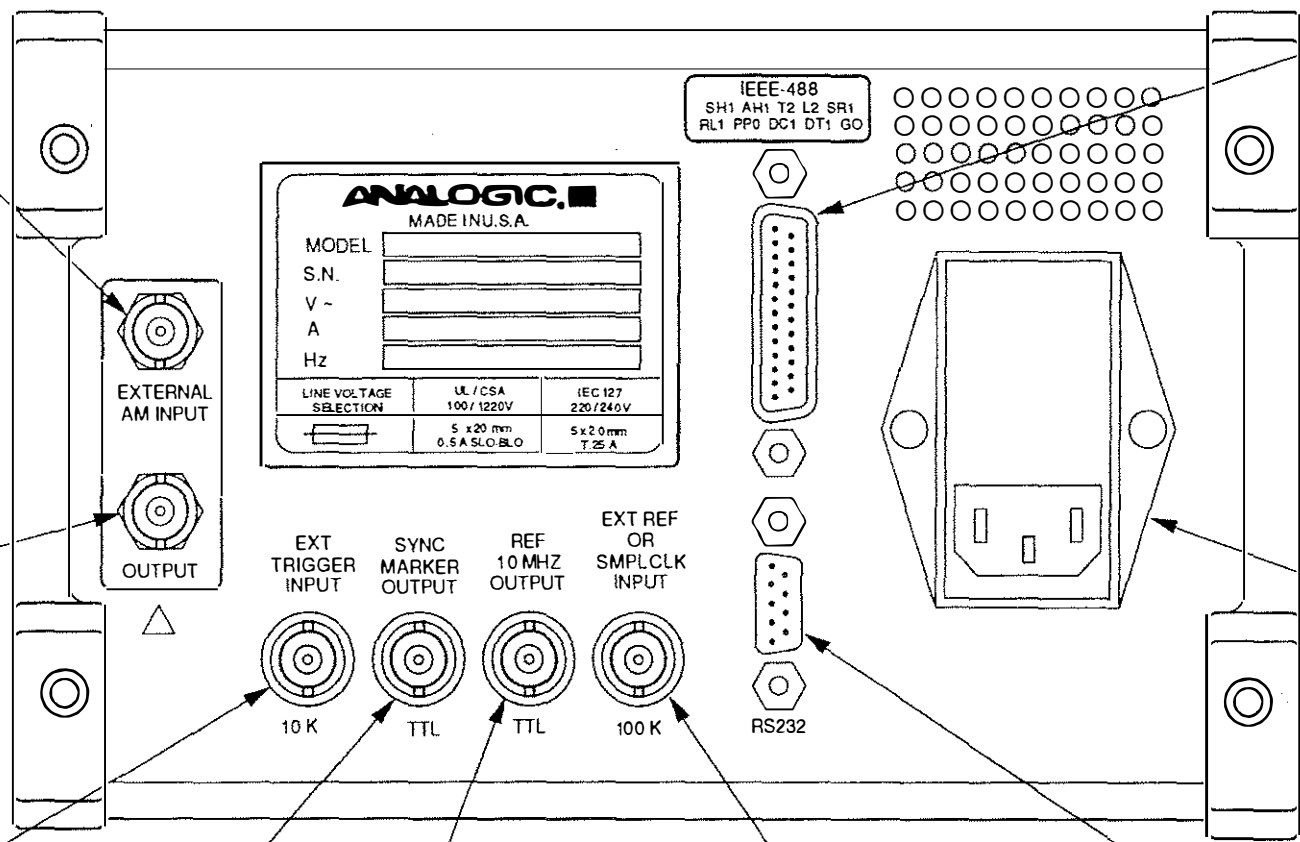
Electrically connected to the rear panel OUTPUT connector. User-programmable output impedance of 50 or 600 ohms.

Figure 2-1. Front Panel Controls and Indicators

EXTERNAL AM INPUT
 External amplitude modulation input allows you to directly modulate a carrier with an external signal – floating BNC connector, 10 k input impedance, 10% modulation/volt of input allowed, maximum safe input range is ± 30 volts.

OUTPUT
 Main signal output electrically connected to the front panel signal output – floating BNC type connector, 50 or 600 ohm user-programmable output impedance, overload protected, chassis isolated.

EXT TRIGGER INPUT
 Trigger input signal – BNC chassis grounded connector, 10 K input impedance, $-3V$ to $+3V$ input level range.



SYNC / MARKER OUTPUT
 Sync/Marker output signal provides external equipment with synchronization information about the output waveform – BNC chassis grounded connector, 3 V to .1 V signal output into 50 ohms, short-circuit protected.

REF 10 MHz OUTPUT
 BNC connector for a 10-MHz reference clock output with TTL logic levels.

EXT REF OR SMPCLK INPUT
 An external clock input, user-selectable as a system reference oscillator or an external sample clock for the D/A converter – chassis grounded, input level range of 3 V to 0.3 V, 100K input impedance in parallel with 30 pf. As a reference oscillator input, the allowed frequency range is 1 to 16 MHz in 1-MHz steps. As an external sample clock, frequency input can be up to 25 MHz.

RS232
 Standard RS232 Interface, user-selectable by front-panel control. [Transmission Characteristics: 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity; 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800 or 9600 baud.]
 Pin 2: Input Pin 3: Output Pin 5: Gnd

IEEE-488 (2030A Only)
 General Purpose Interface Bus (GPIB), user-selectable by front-panel control. Hardware/software capabilities listed in the label above the connector are defined by IEEE standards.

POWER INPUT MODULE
 AC power input module configurable for 100, 120, 220 or 240 Vac input. Contains ac line fuses.

Figure 2-2. Rear Panel Layout

2.5 INPUT LINE VOLTAGE CONFIGURATION

This instrument can be configured to operate on line voltages of 100, 120, 220 or 240 Vac by changing the position of the voltage selection wheel in the power input module on the rear panel. If you need to change the voltage selection, follow the procedure below and refer to Figure 2-3.

CAUTION: *Connecting this instrument to a line voltage other than the selected voltage may destroy the line fuses. When replacing fuses, always use a direct replacement.*

- (1) Remove the line cord from the power input module.
- (2) Using a blade screw driver, pry open the cover of the input power module.
- (3) Remove the voltage selection wheel from inside the power input module.
- (4) Rotate the voltage selection wheel and place it back into the module so that the correct voltage appears in the window when the cover is closed.
- (5) Check the two line fuses for the correct rating. See the note in Figure 2-3.
- (6) Plug the line cord into the power input module.

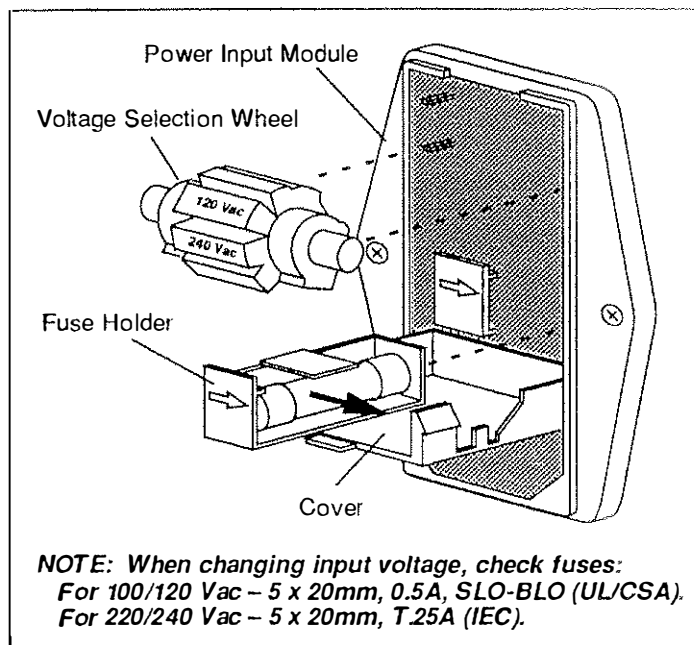


Figure 2-3. Power Input Module

2.6 BENCH-TOP INSTALLATION

For bench top use, this instrument is equipped with front and rear feet on the bottom panel. A locking bail is also included to raise the front of the instrument for a more convenient viewing angle. To use the bail, lift the front of the instrument and pull the bail down into its locking position.

2.7 INITIAL CHECKOUT PROCEDURE

This procedure is designed to guide you through the first few minutes of operation. It describes all the basic operating conventions of the instrument.

Step 1: Making Power Connections

- Confirm that the power input module on the rear panel is set for the correct ac line voltage. If the line voltage selection is incorrect and needs to be changed, refer to Section 2.5.
- Connect one end of the line cord to the power input module and the other end to the ac power source.

Step 2: Applying Line Power

NOTE: If no image appears on the display screen after power is on, press the DISP function key and then the top left-hand softkey. Rotate the Rotary Encoder clockwise to increase the display contrast.

- Set the ON/OFF pushbutton switch to the ON position. During power-up, the instrument performs a self test. At the beginning of the process, a software revision number is displayed briefly. Make note of this number. This information will be useful if you should ever detect a problem and require service or technical assistance.
- When the power-on process is complete, the waveform menu in Figure 2-4 is displayed. If not, press the WAVE key. Note the labels in the lower left-hand corner: STOP means the main signal output is inactive; KBD CTL means that the instrument is under local (front panel) control.

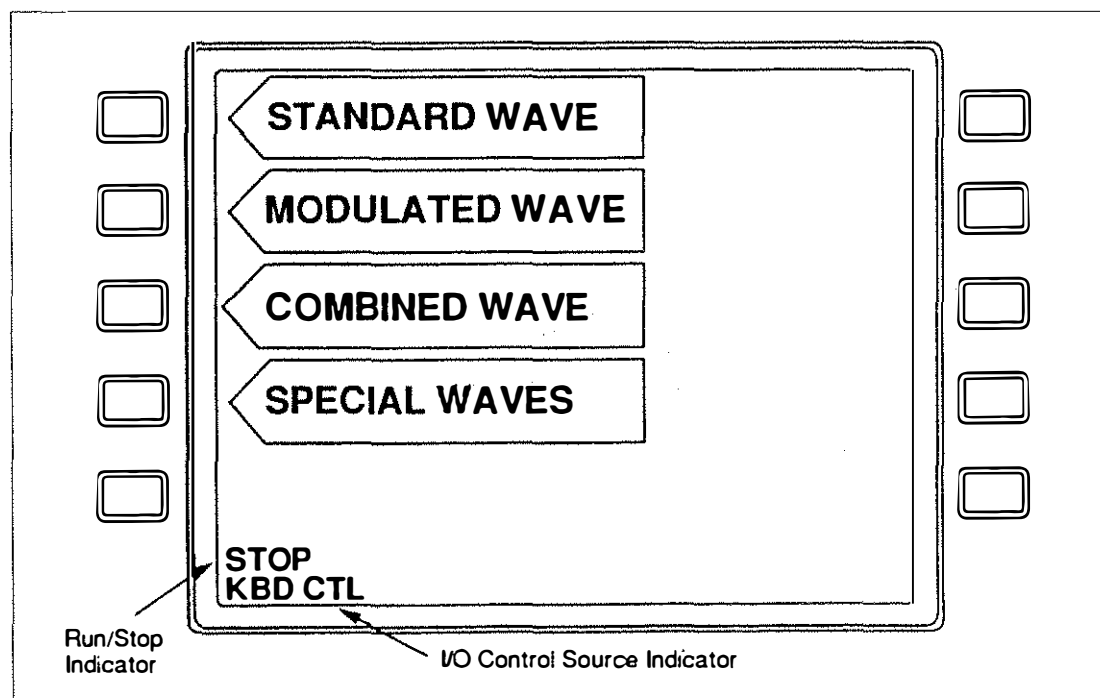


Figure 2-4. WAVE Menu Display

Step 3: Adjusting Display Contrast and Backlight

- Press DISP and see Figure 2-5.
- Press CONTRAST. Note that a solid bar or selection indicator appears on the softkey function pointer. Adjust the screen contrast with the Rotary Encoder: clockwise to increase contrast, counter-clockwise to decrease.
- Press BACKLIGHT. Just as with CONTRAST, use the Rotary Encoder to adjust the light level: clockwise increases, counter-clockwise decreases.
- Ignore INPUT FORMAT for now, it is described in detail in Section 3.

Step 4: Using the RETURN Softkey

- Press the RETURN softkey. Note that the display returns to the WAVE menu.
- The operating software has nested menus and RETURN enables you to step back one level at a time until you reach the WAVE menu. For example, select STANDARD WAVE from the WAVE menu and press the NOISE softkey. This steps you into the menu structure by two levels. Now, press RETURN twice (allow a slight delay between presses) and note that the display steps back to the WAVE menu.

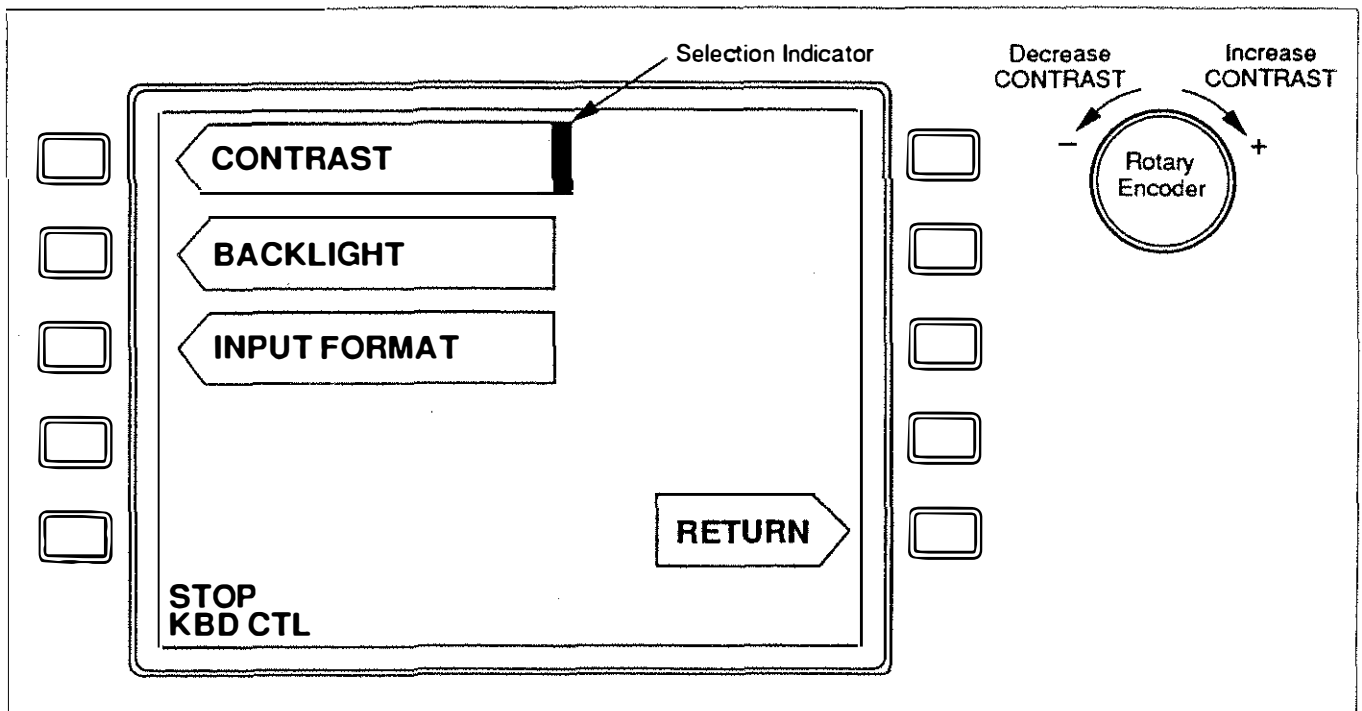


Figure 2-5. DISP Function Screen

Step 5: Setting Up a Waveform

- Press STANDARD WAVE from the WAVE menu. This calls up the submenu of standard waveform functions shown in Figure 2-6.
- Note the information box at the top of the display which tells you the last wave type entered.
- Note the cursor to the left of the submenu. To select a wave type, place the cursor next to the wave type name and press ENTER. This action calls up the parameter set-up display for the chosen wave type. For example, if you selected SINE, the parameter set-up display would look like Figure 2-7.

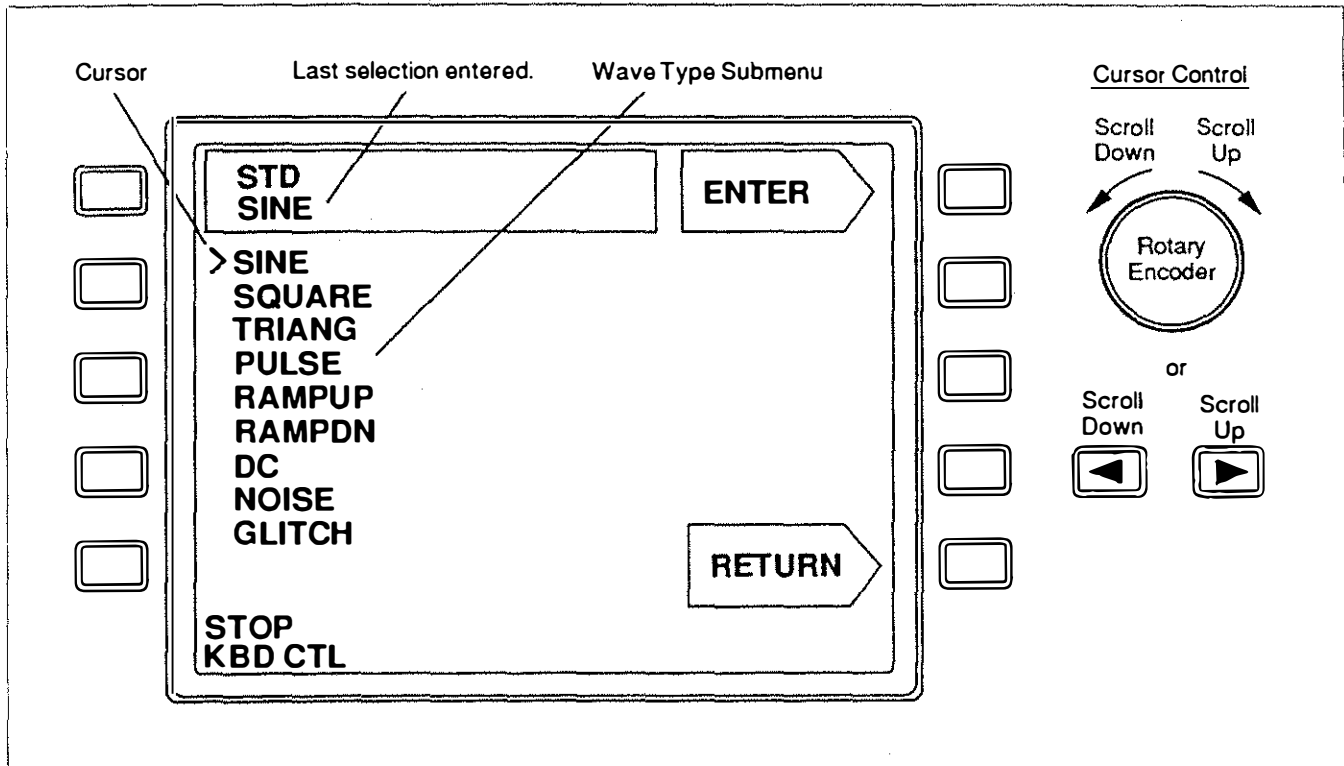


Figure 2-6. STANDARD WAVE Function Submenu

NOTE: The upper right-hand box in the display (Figure 2-7) is a read-only field controlled by the internal program. This is not a Softkey pointer. Pressing the Softkey adjacent to this box has no effect. Other displays may also have one of these boxes which are for displaying information only.

- Press FREQUENCY. Note the cursor under the right-most digit of the frequency value – the cursor selects the digit to be changed.
- Using the Left/Right Move keys, try moving the cursor left and right.
- Select a digit with the cursor and try changing its value using the Rotary Encoder: clockwise to increment, counter-clockwise to decrement. Using this method, set FREQUENCY = 1 kHz.
- Press AMPLITUDE and set it to 2.525 V.
- Press PHASE and set it to 90 DEG.
- Press OFFSET and set it to 10 mV.
- Press Noise. Set it ON with an AMPLITUDE of 1 mV.

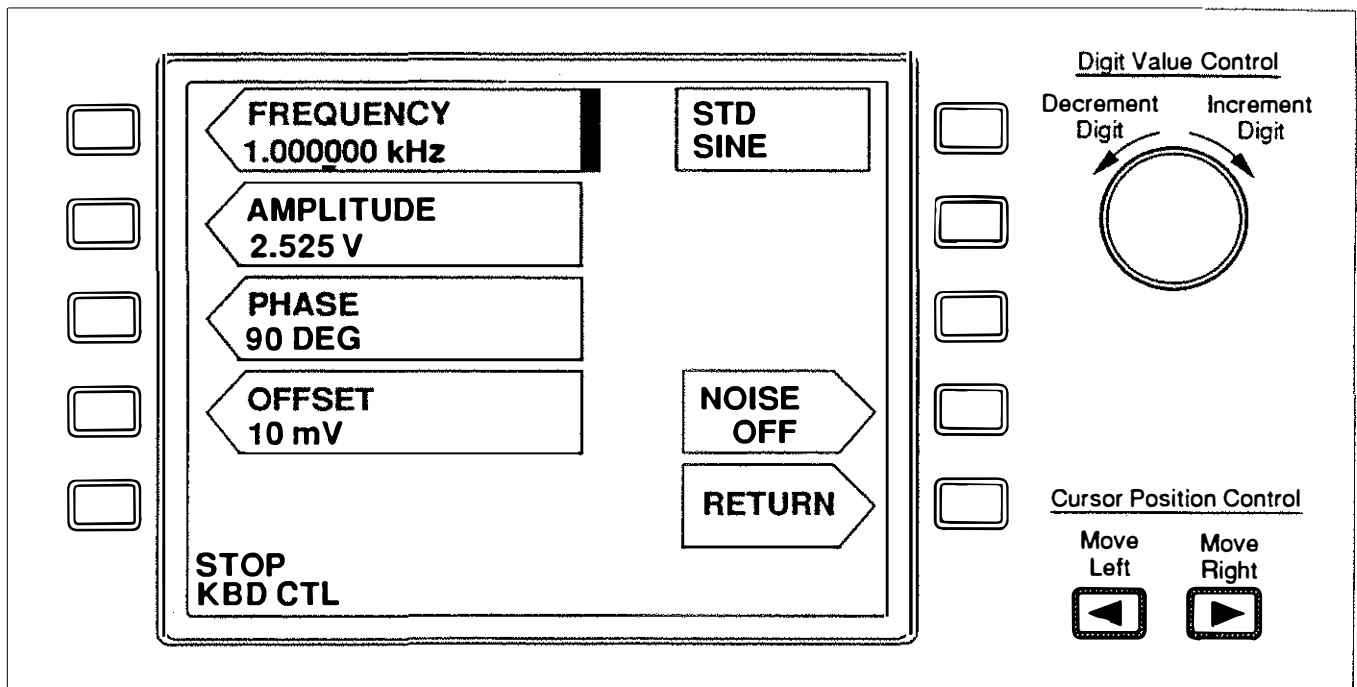


Figure 2-7. Parameter Set-Up Display Example (SINE)

Step 6: Direct Entry of Parameter Values

- Press AMPLITUDE in the STANDARD WAVE set-up display. Rather than change the numerical value as before, try direct numerical entry. See Figure 2-8.

NOTE: During direct numerical entry, the Left Move key performs a delete function. Pressing DEL clears the numeric entry one digit at a time from right to left.

- On the Keypad, press [4] [decimal point] [5]. Amplitude should now read “4.5” on the display with no units.
- Units pointers “mV” and “V” appear under the wave type submenu. Press “V” for volts. Note that the amplitude now reads “4.500 V.” The value is entered into memory when the units Softkey is pressed.
- Press R/S. The output is now activated with a Sine wave having the following characteristics:

FREQUENCY = 1 kHz
 AMPLITUDE = 4.5 V
 PHASE = 90 DEG
 OFFSET = 10 mV
 NOISE AMPLITUDE = 1 mV

NOTE: The voltages entered for AMPLITUDE, OFFSET and NOISE AMPLITUDE are the actual values generated at the output under open-circuit conditions only. When the output is terminated, the actual voltage is less than what was entered. See Section 3.4 for more information.

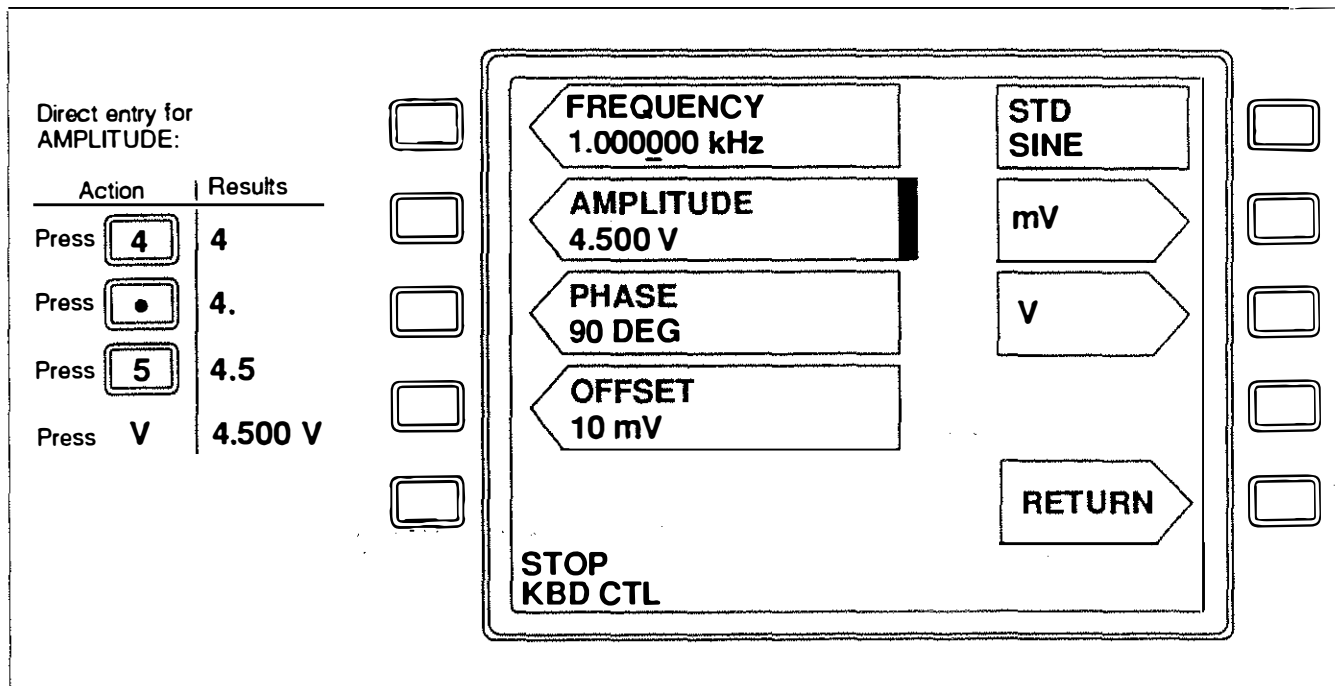


Figure 2-8. Parameter Entry Display Example

Step 7: Checking the Setup Status (STAT)

- Press the STAT function key. The display should look like the example in Figure 2-9.
- This display contains a set-up summary. The PREV (previous) and NEXT Softkey controls enables you to page through this information.
- Press RETURN to go back to the previous function screen or menu.

Step 8: Experiment

At this point, try changing some of the waveform parameters. Note that if you change to another category of waveform functions, such as MODULATED WAVE, the output stops and R/S must be pressed again to activate it. For information on using the other waveform functions and common control functions, see Section 3.

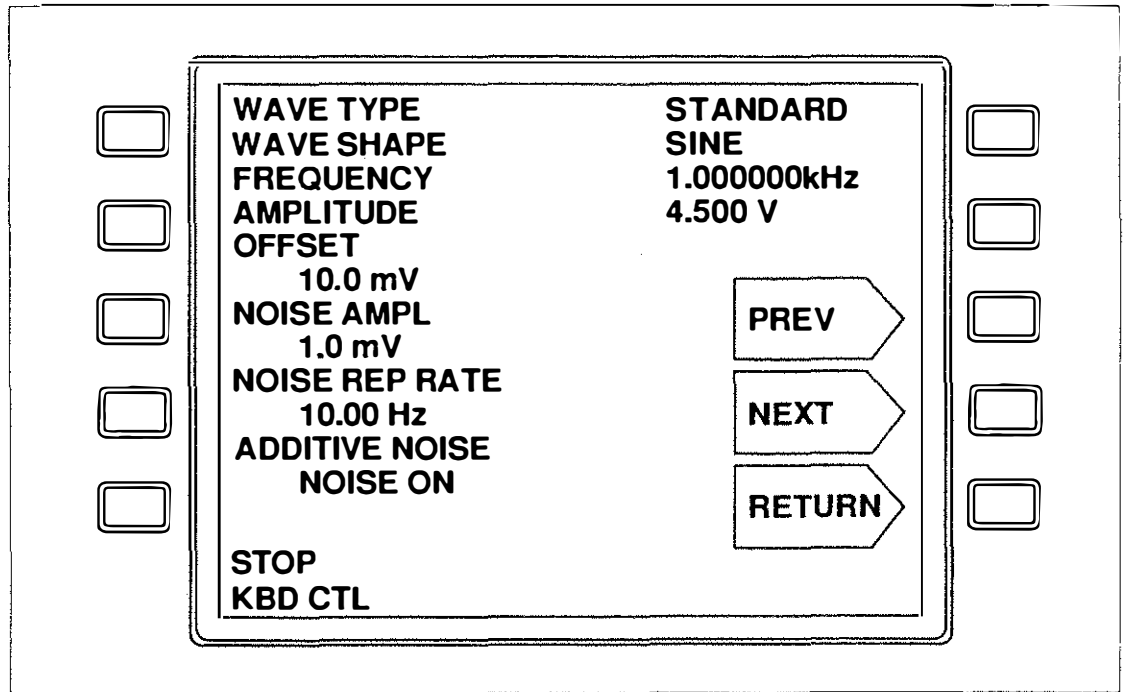


Figure 2-9. Sample STAT Display

Section 3

Local Operation

3.1 INTRODUCTION

This section covers local operation, that is operating the instrument from the front panel. The instructions presented here use the terminology and operating conventions explained in Section 2. If you are not familiar with the operating conventions of this instrument, it is recommended that you read Section 2 before proceeding any further. Remote control is covered in Sections 4 and 5.

3.2 SUMMARY OF FUNCTIONS

All functions of the instrument are microprocessor-controlled by a built-in software program (firmware). The firmware is responsible for the instrument's graphics user interface (GUI) explained in the getting started procedures in Section 2. The following paragraphs describe operation of the instrument from the front panel.

3.2.1 Waveform Functions

The waveform functions are accessed via the WAVE key as illustrated in Figure 3-1. The set-up display for each category of waveform functions is called up by pressing its associated Softkey. The set-up displays for the STANDARD WAVE and MODULATED WAVE functions include a submenu of choices. After a wave type is selected, the display shows you the parameters to enter for generating that particular wave. The COMBINED WAVE function allows you to combine up to four waveforms from the STANDARD WAVE submenu. The SPECIAL WAVES function provides miscellaneous special purpose waveforms such as the Fast Square wave (FSQR) which is described later.

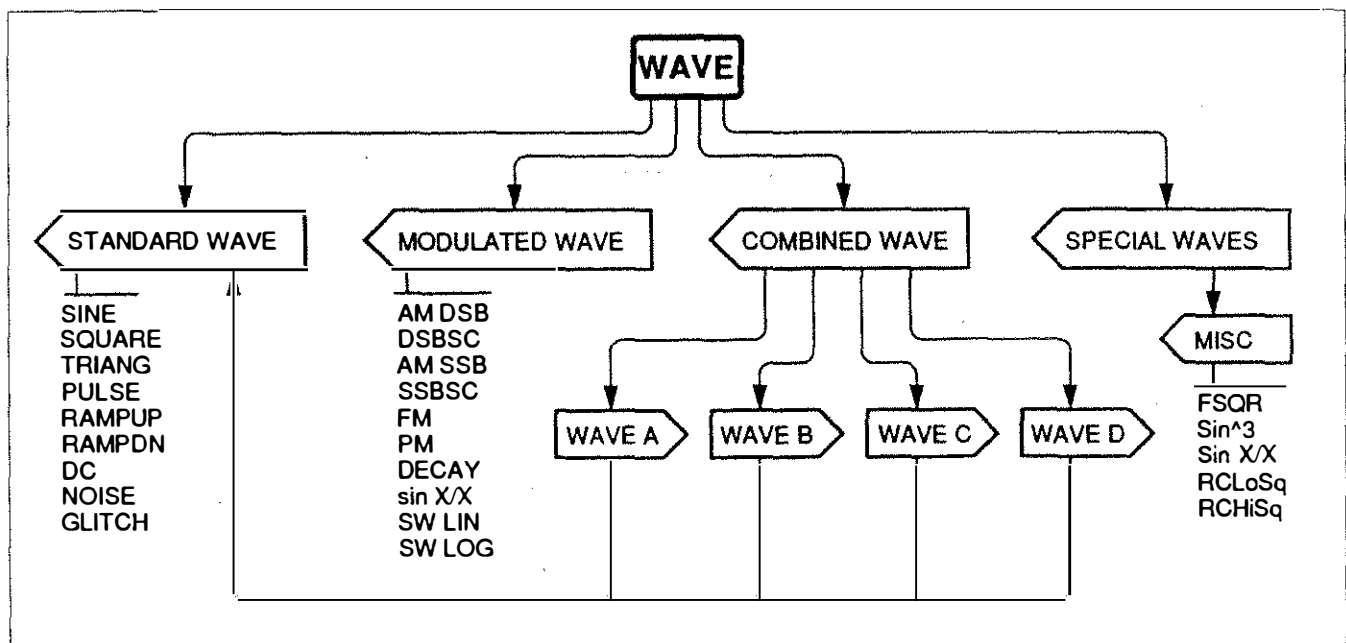


Figure 3-1. WAVE Menu Functions

3.2.2 Common Control Functions

The TRIG, OUT, CLK, DIR, MAN, I/O, DISP and R/S dedicated function keys perform common control functions (See Figure 3-2). Each of these functions are described in more detail later on in this section.

3.3 I/O CONTROL SOURCE

As described in Section 2, the instrument's firmware provides four modes for controlling the instrument's functions. The four modes are accessed via the I/O function key. Pressing the I/O key calls up the Command Device Submenu shown in Figure 3-3 which allows you to select a source of control. When switching to exclusive GPIB or RS232 control, all front panel keys are disabled except for the I/O key. When transferring control between Local and Remote, any waveform running will continue to run.

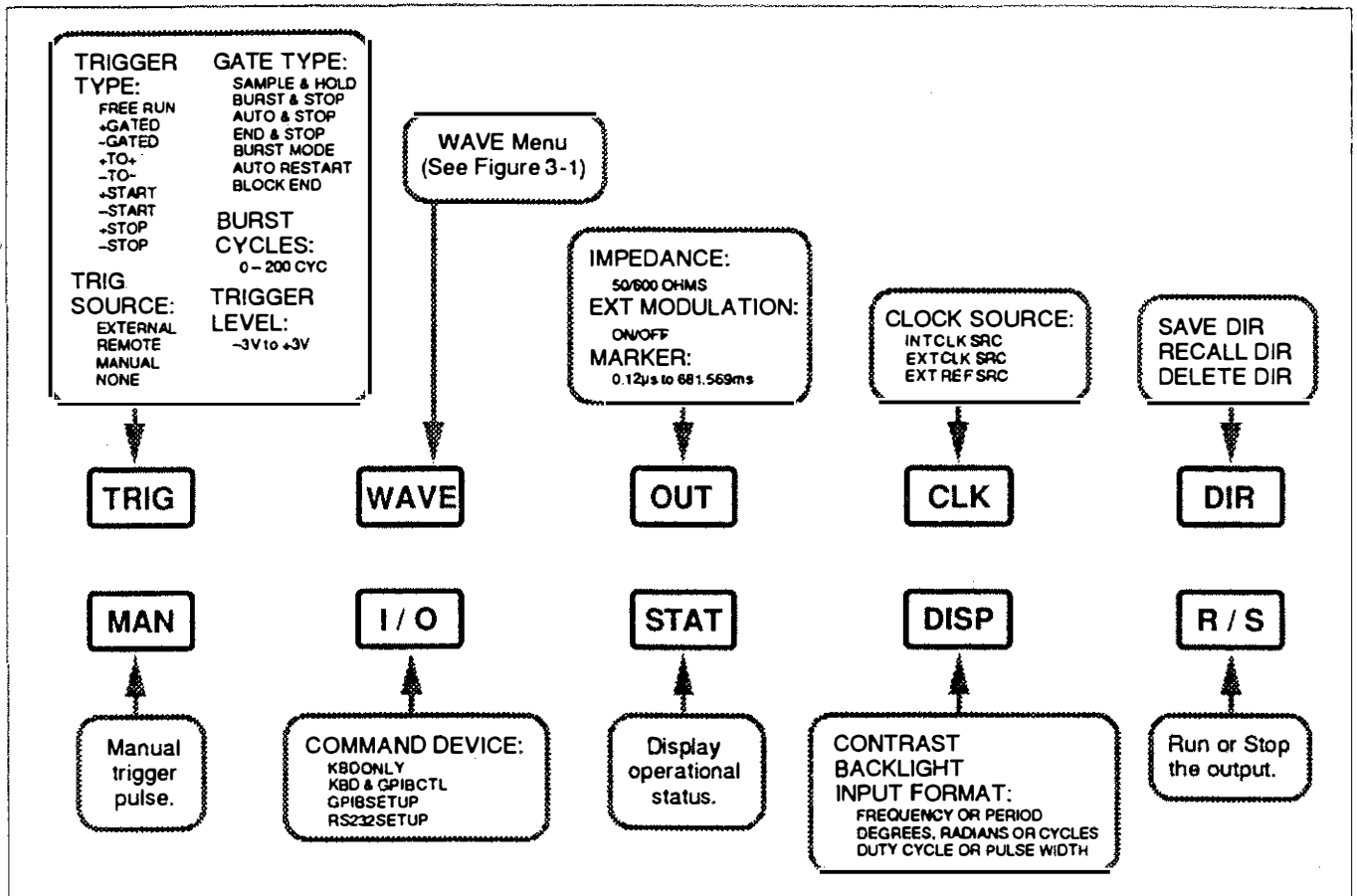
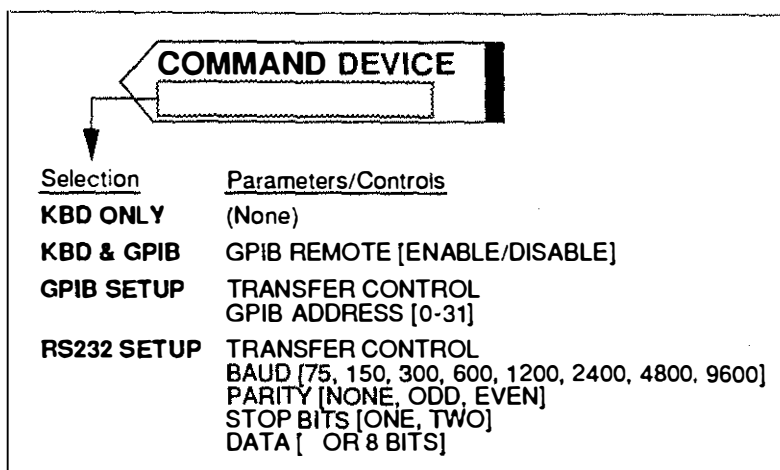


Figure 3-2. Common Control Functions



| <u>Selection</u> | <u>Parameters/Controls</u> |
|-----------------------|---|
| KBD ONLY | (None) |
| KBD & GPIB | GPIB REMOTE [ENABLE/DISABLE] |
| GPIB SETUP | TRANSFER CONTROL GPIB ADDRESS [0-31] |
| RS232 SETUP | TRANSFER CONTROL BAUD [75, 150, 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600] PARITY [NONE, ODD, EVEN] STOP BITS [ONE, TWO] DATA [OR 8 BITS] |

Figure 3-3. I/O Control Source Menu

3.3.1 *Exclusive Front Panel Control*

Exclusive front panel control is achieved by setting the CONTROL DEVICE to KBD ONLY. When under exclusive GPIB or RS232 control, front panel control can be regained by pressing the I/O key.

3.3.2 *Front Panel Control With GPIB Access*

Setting the COMMAND DEVICE to KBD & GPIB CTL enables a shared control between the front panel keys and the GPIB bus. In this mode, GPIB communication can be enabled or disabled by changing the setting of GPIB REMOTE.

3.3.3 *Exclusive GPIB Control*

Exclusive GPIB control is achieved by setting COMMAND DEVICE to GPIB SETUP. This calls up a display which requests a GPIB address and then allows you to manually transfer control of the instrument to the GPIB bus by pressing the TRANSFER CONTROL Softkey. If power is switched off while in this mode, the instrument will resume operating in this mode when power is switched back on again. To return to KBD ONLY control, press the I/O function key.

3.3.4 *Exclusive RS232 Control*

For exclusive RS232 control, set COMMAND DEVICE to RS232 SETUP. This calls up a display of all RS232 characteristics to be set up. Set all displayed parameters to the appropriate value and press the TRANSFER CTL Softkey to switch control of the instrument to the RS232 bus. If power is switched off while in this mode, the instrument will resume operating in this mode when power is switched back on again. To return to KBD ONLY control, press the I/O function key again.

3.4 MAIN SIGNAL OUTPUT CONTROL

The main signal output is affected by several factors: the common controls accessed via the OUT KEY, the R/S key, and output termination.

3.4.1 OUT Control Functions

Pressing the OUT key calls up the display of functions shown in Figure 3-4.

IMPEDANCE is the output impedance of the main signal output which can be set to 50 or 600 ohms.

EXT MODULATION switches the EXTERNAL AM INPUT port on the rear panel ON or OFF.

The MARKER function controls the SYNC MARKER OUTPUT on the rear panel and can be set to a value within the range of 0.12 μ S to 618.992 mS. The SYNC MARKER output signal comprises two separate pieces of information. The rising edge of this signal is the SYNC and defines zero-time or the beginning of the waveform. The falling edge of this signal is the MARKER and is set to your specifications.

The information box labeled FILTER (a read-only field) indicates the setting of the reconstruction filters in the output circuit.

3.4.2 Run/Stop Control

Pressing the R/S function key activates the output. While in the RUN state, wave parameters can be changed and incorporated into the output being generated. However, switching to another waveform function, such as from STANDARD WAVE to MODULATED WAVE, deactivates the output. To activate the new waveform output, press R/S again.

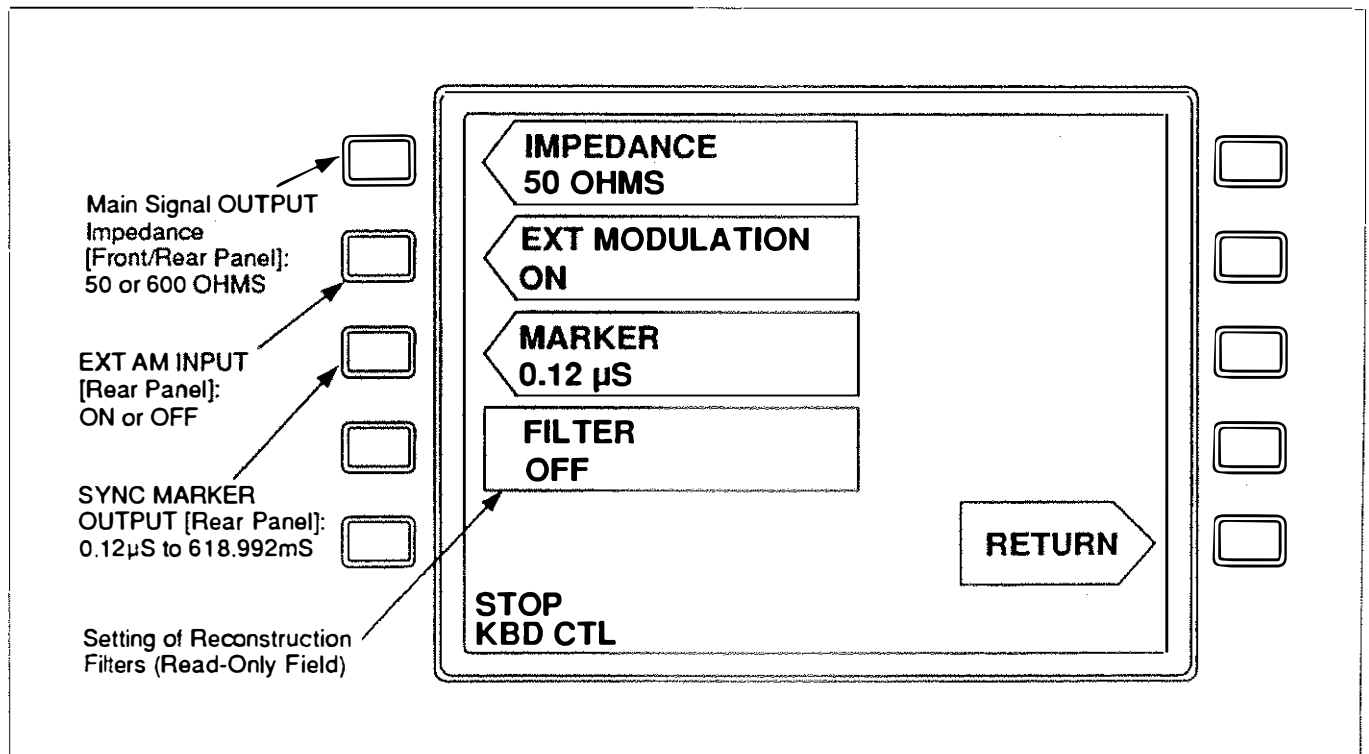


Figure 3-4. OUT Set-Up Display

3.4.3 Output Characteristics

The voltage values set up for waveform amplitude, dc offset and noise amplitude are the actual voltages produced at the output under *open circuit conditions only*. Waveform amplitude is specified in peak volts, open circuit. Noise is specified as volts rms, open circuit.

When a load is connected to the output, the actual waveform amplitude and dc offset are reduced. The amount of reduction depends upon the output impedance of the instrument and the input impedance of the load. Figure 3-5 shows a simplified schematic of the instrument's output stage. As you can see, applying a load impedance to the output creates a voltage divider with the series output resistance (50 or 600 ohms) of the instrument. Therefore, if IMPEDANCE is set to 50 ohms and the sine wave in Figure 3-6 is fed into a 50-ohm load, the actual voltage levels measured at the output should be approximately half the voltage levels entered via the front panel. One way to define AMPLITUDE values is to assume peak values when the output is open circuit or connected to a high impedance load and peak-to-peak values when properly terminated.

NOTE: When entering voltage levels, be careful that the combination of waveform amplitude, dc offset and noise amplitude does not exceed the ± 10 -volt output limitation of the instrument. If this should occur, the output may be clipped without warning from the instrument.

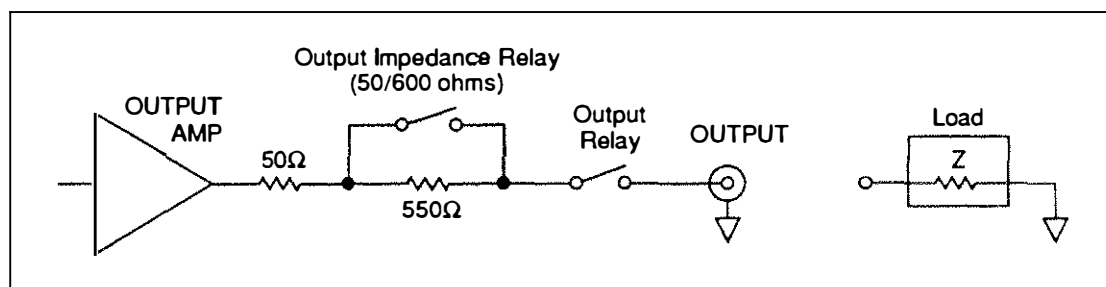


Figure 3-5. Output Stage Simplified Schematic

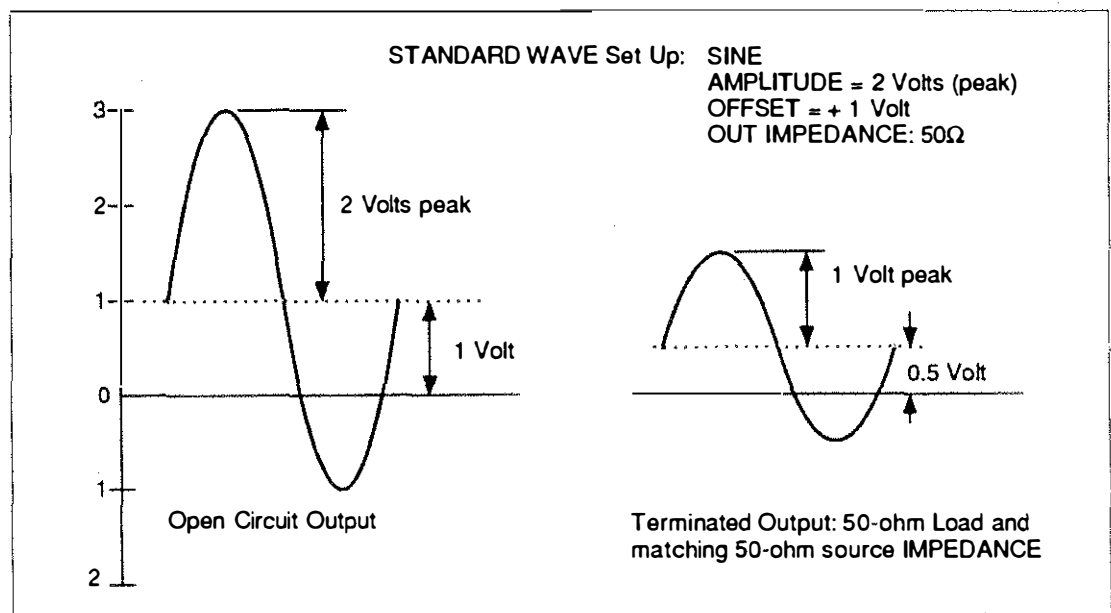


Figure 3-6. Load/No-Load Output Characteristic

3.5 CLOCK SOURCE CONTROL

The rear panel has an external TTL-level (100 kΩ input impedance) clock input (EXT REF OR SAMPL CLK INPUT). You can designate this external input as the system reference oscillator signal or external sample clock using the CLK function key. Figure 3-7 describes the CLK set-up display.

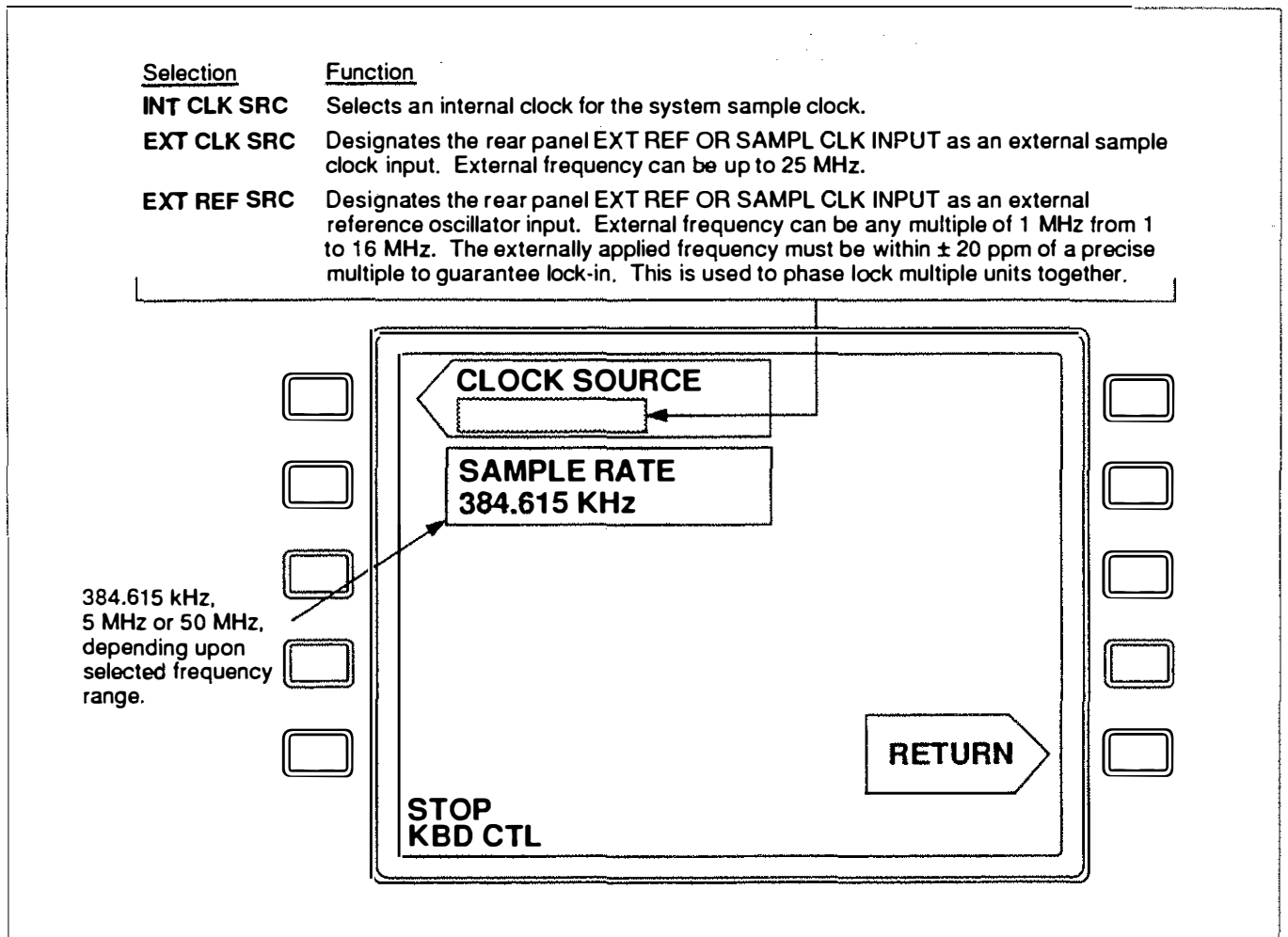


Figure 3-7. CLK Function Selections

3.6 TRIGGER CONTROL

Setting up the trigger characteristics includes selecting a trigger type, a gate type, number of burst cycles, a trigger source, and a trigger voltage level. Pressing the TRIG key calls up the set-up display shown in Figure 3-8; the submenu selections are shown on the left-hand side of the figure. Figure 3-9 describes each trigger type and Figure 3-10 demonstrates how each GATE type affects the waveform output.

NOTE: *The ability of the Instrument to switch from one waveform type to another (e.g., from SINE to SQUARE) is affected by TRIGGER TYPE. Switch waveforms only while in FREE RUN. Be sure to set up WAVE first and TRIGGER TYPE and GATE TYPE last.*

FREE RUN is the only TRIGGER TYPE available for frequencies of 1.47 Hz or less.

When GATE TYPE = BURST & STOP or BURST MODE, TRIGGER TYPEs +START, -START, +STOP AND - STOP are not available.

BURST & STOP and BURST MODE gate types are only available for STANDARD WAVES at frequencies above 1.47 Hz.

The time period between trigger pulses must be long enough to allow one complete reading of the waveform output memory before the next trigger pulse occurs. This time period is dependent upon the sample rate and is equal to $(262144 \div \text{SAMPLE RATE}) + 50$ microseconds. For example, if the sample rate is 50MHz, the time between trigger pulses must be no less than $(262144 \div 50\text{MHz}) + 50 \mu\text{s} = 5.293\text{ms}$.

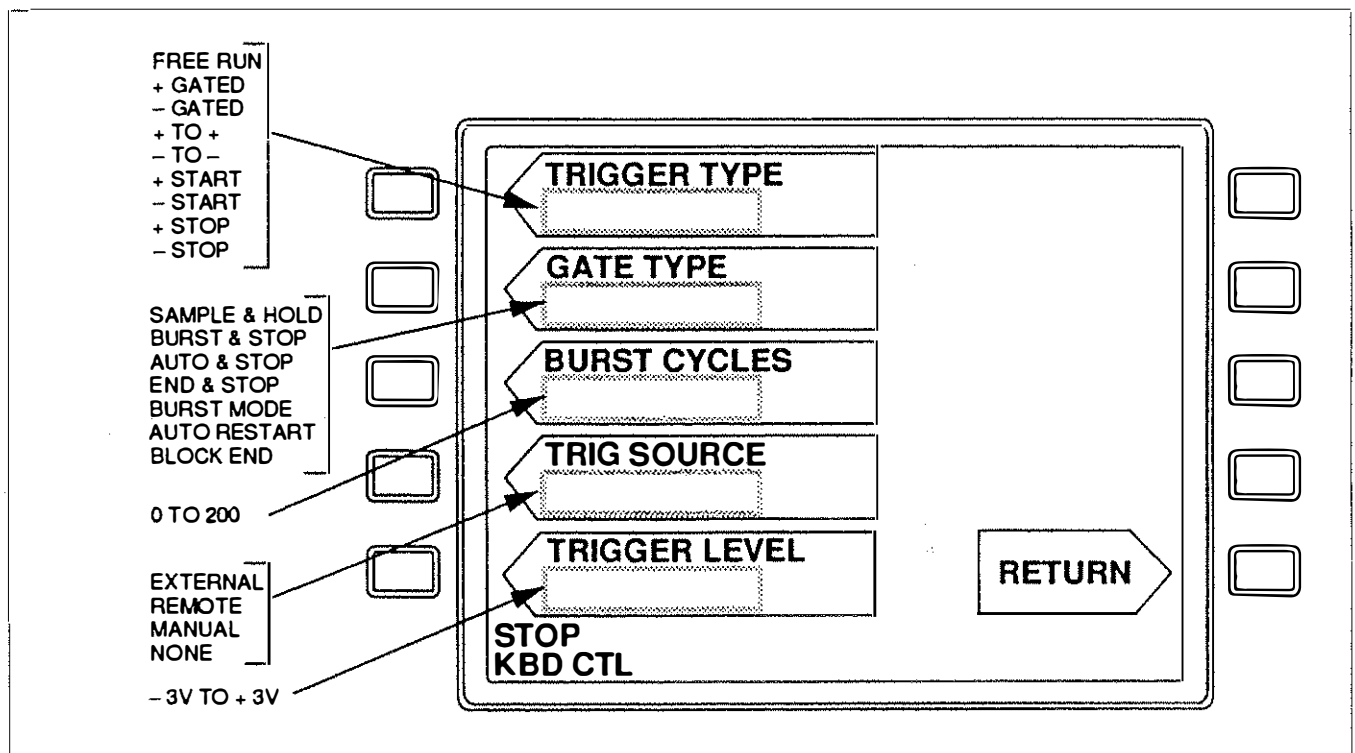


Figure 3-8. TRIG Set-Up Display

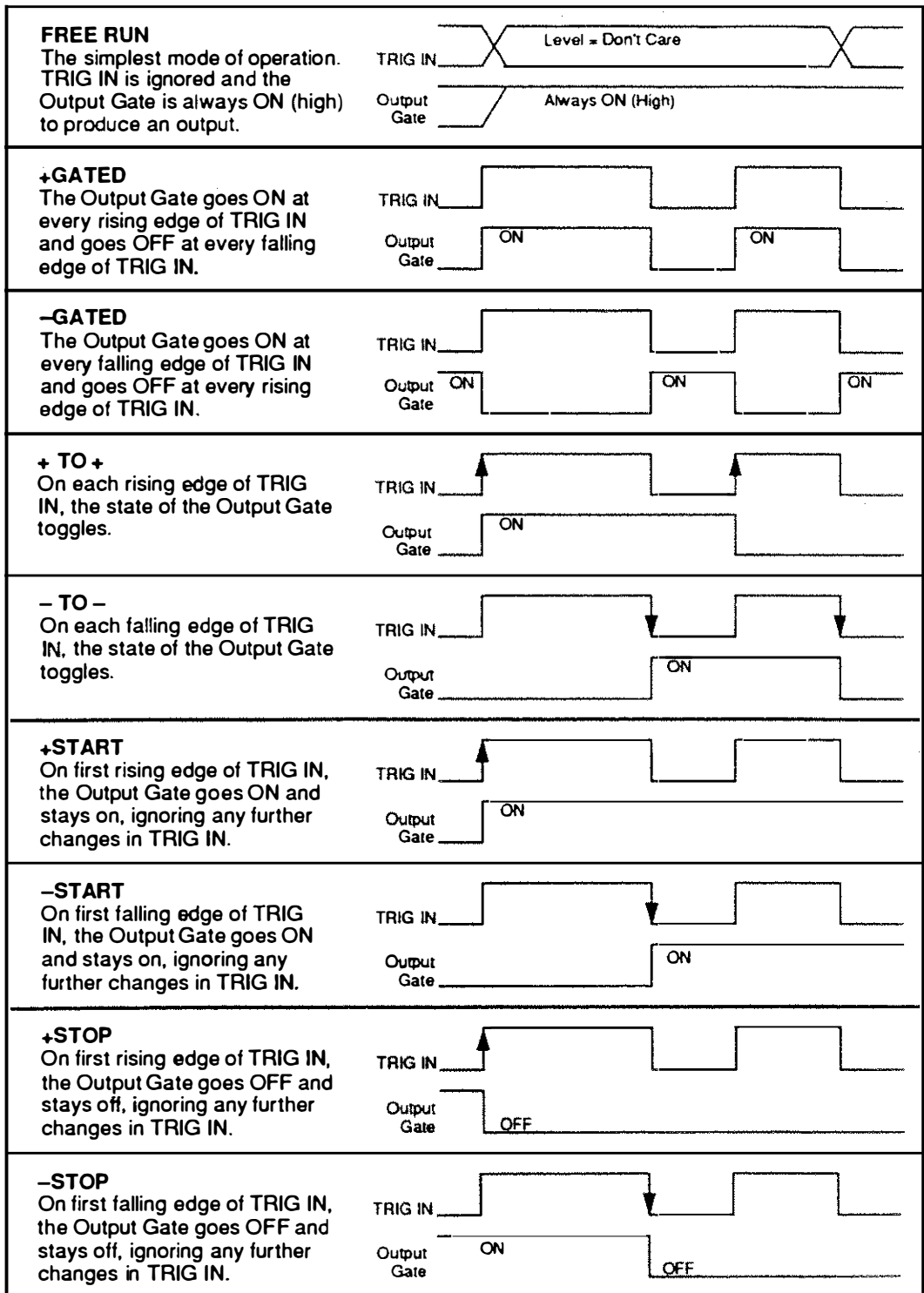


Figure 3-9. TRIGGER TYPE and Output Gating

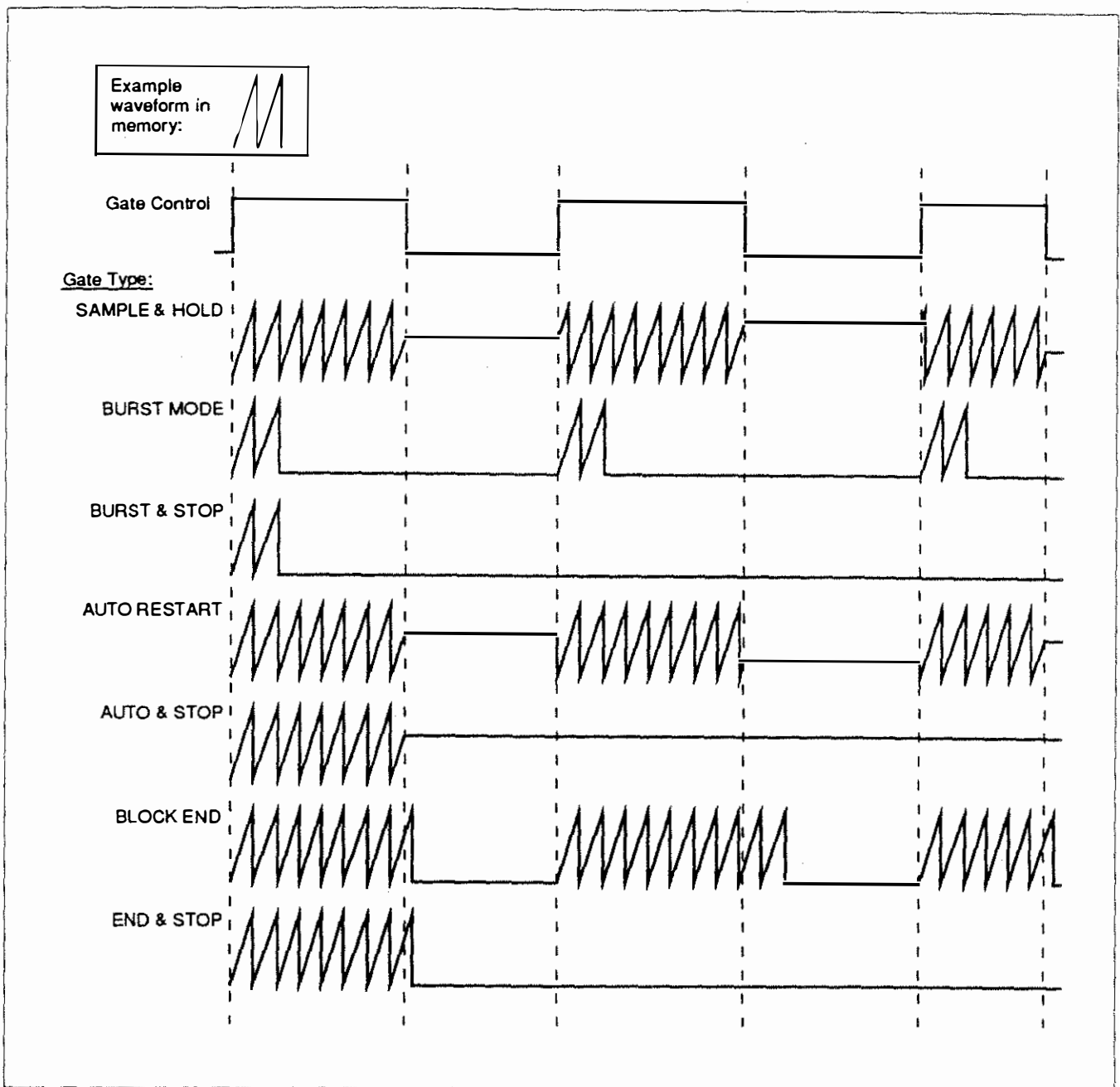


Figure 3-10. Waveform Output vs. GATE TYPE

3.7 STANDARD WAVE MENU

The Standard Wave Submenu provides the standard waves listed in Table 3-1. Some wave types have expanded features such as symmetry, dc offset and additive pseudo-random noise.

3.7.1 Setting up a Standard Wave

- (1) Press WAVE.
- (2) Press STANDARD WAVE. The submenu in Figure 3-11 should appear on the screen.
- (3) Using the Rotary Encoder or the Right/Left Move keys, move the cursor to the chosen wave type.
- (4) Press ENTER. The parameter set-up display should appear on the screen.

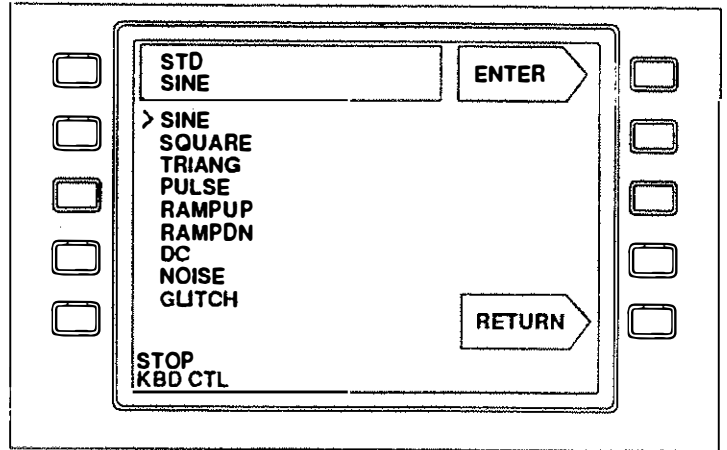


Figure 3-11. STANDARD WAVE Display

- (5) Refer to Table 3-1 and set up the parameters as required.
- (6) Press R/S to activate the output.

Table 3-1. STANDARD WAVE Set-Up Parameters

| | SINE | SQUARE & PULSE | TRIANG | RAMPUP & RAMPDN | DC |
|--------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|--------------|
| FREQUENCY | 0.001Hz to 20MHz | 0.001Hz to 5MHz | | | — |
| AMPLITUDE | 5mV | to 10V | | | — |
| PHASE | -359.9 to +359.9 DEG | — | — | — | — |
| OFFSET | -10V to +10V | | | | — |
| DUTY CYCLE | — | 5 to 95% * | — | — | — |
| DELAY TIME | — | 0 to 999.722S | — | — | — |
| SYMMETRY | — | — | 5 to 95% * | — | — |
| DC LEVEL | — | — | — | — | -10V to +10V |
| NOISE: | — | — | — | — | — |
| RMS NOISE | 1mV | to 1.879V | | | — |
| OFFSET | -10V | to +10V | | | — |
| LINE SPACING | 1.47Hz | to 24.41406 | | | — |
| GLITCH: | — | — | — | — | — |
| RISE TIME | 0.02µs | to 340.13ms | | | — |
| TOP WIDTH | 0 | to 340.13ms | | | — |
| FALL TIME | 0.02µs | to 340.13ms | | | — |
| POLARITY | Positive | or Negative | | | — |

* Limited by the minimum rise time of 50nS.

3.7.2 Using the GLITCH Function

The GLITCH function enables you to combine a glitch or spike with another wave type. To use the GLITCH function, do the following:

- (1) From the COMBINED WAVES setup display, select GLITCH for one of the waves.
- (2) In the parameter setup display (Figure 3-12), select the following:
 - FREQUENCY: 2.94 Hz to 5.0 MHz
 - AMPLITUDE: 5.0 mV to 10 V
 - PHASE: -359.9 to +359.9 DEG
 - POLARITY: Positive/Negative
- (3) Press the SHAPE Sofkey to define the actual shape of the glitch (Figure 3-13).

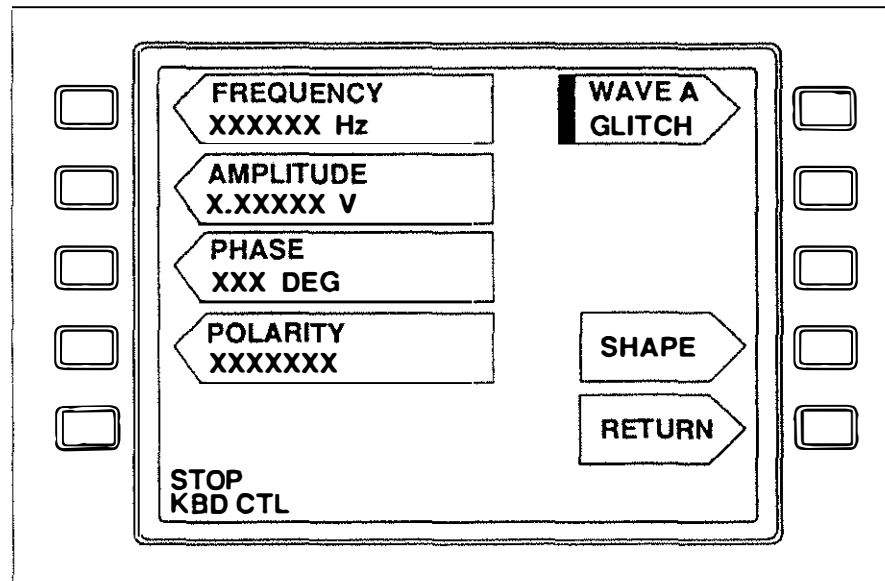


Figure 3-12. GLITCH Waveform Parameters Menu

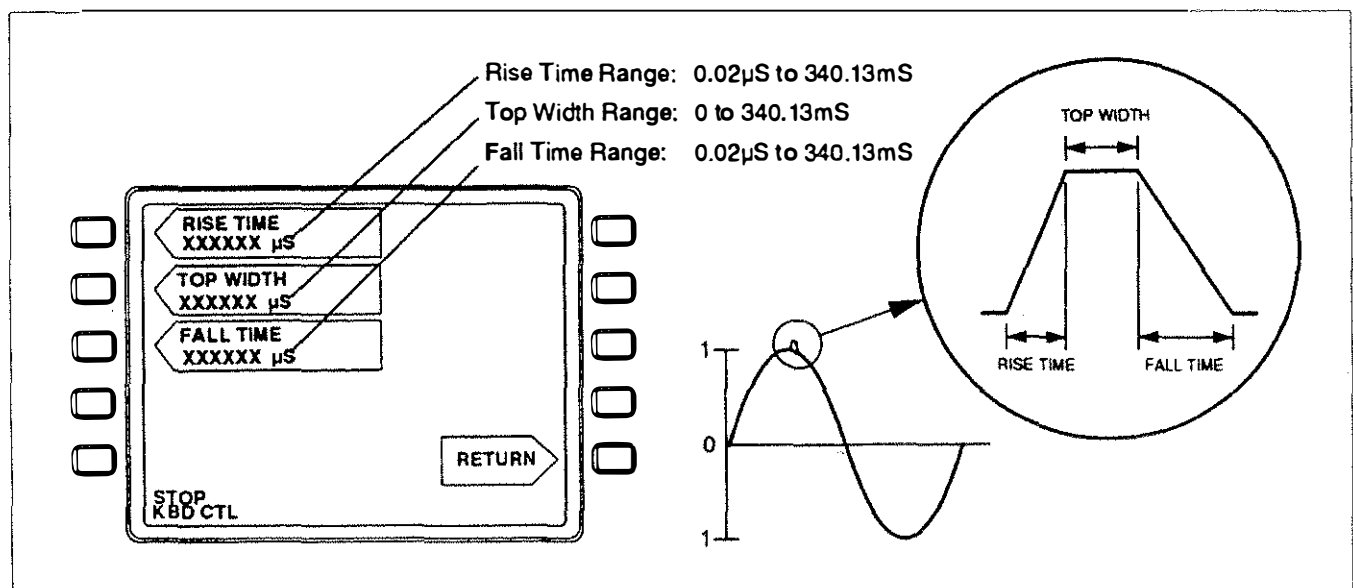


Figure 3-13. GLITCH SHAPE Submenu

3.8 MODULATED WAVE MENU

The Modulated Wave submenu provides modulation functions including multimode AM, FM, PM and external modulation modes. Advanced functions include linear and logarithmic sweeping, sin X/X envelope modulation and exponential envelope functions.

3.8.1 Setting Up a Modulated Waveform

To set up a Modulated Wave type, follow these steps:

- (1) Press WAVE.
- (2) Press MODULATED WAVE. The submenu shown in Figure 3-14 should appear on the screen.
- (3) Using the Rotary Encoder or the Right/Left Move keys, move the cursor to the chosen wave type.
- (4) Press ENTER. The parameter set-up display should appear on the screen.
- (5) Refer to Table 3-2 and set up the parameters as required.
- (6) Press R/S to activate the output.

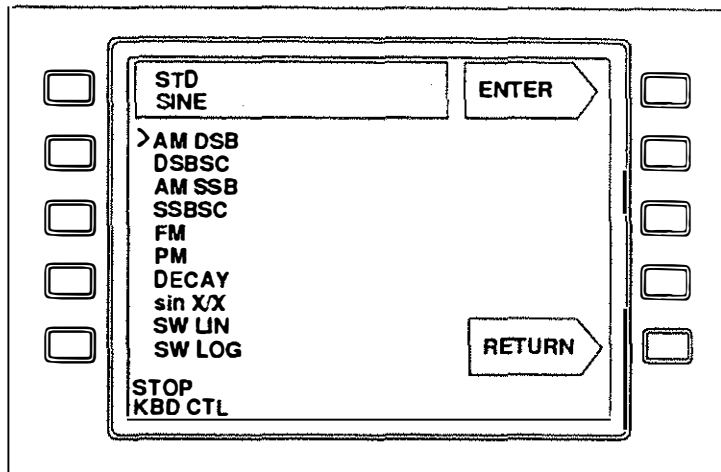


Figure 3-14. MODULATED WAVE Display

Table 3-2. MODULATED WAVE Set-Up Parameters

| | AM DSB, AMSSB, and PM | DSBSC and SSBSC | FM and PM | DECAY | sin X/X | SW LIN and SW LOG |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| CARRIER FREQUENCY | 1.47Hz to 20MHz | | | | | — |
| AMPLITUDE | 5mV to 10V | | | | | |
| MOD FREQUENCY | 1.470Hz | to 20MHz * | | — | — | — |
| MOD INDEX | 0 TO 200% | — | — | — | — | — |
| OFFSET | -10 | to +10V | | | — | -10V to +10V |
| MAX FREQ DEV | — | — | 1.470Hz to 20MHz | — | — | — |
| PEAK TIME | — | — | — | 0.64 to 199.20µS | — | — |
| DURATION | — | — | — | 40.96µS to 5.24mS | — | 40.96µS to 5.24mS |
| BANDWIDTH | — | — | — | — | 1.47Hz to 20MHz * | — |
| LINE SPACING | — | — | — | — | 1.47Hz to 24.4kHz * | — |
| PHASE | — | — | — | — | 0 to 359 Deg | — |
| START FREQ | — | — | — | — | — | 1.47Hz to 20MHz * |
| STOP FREQ | — | — | — | — | — | 1.47Hz to 20MHz * |

* Depending on Carrier Frequency.

3.8.2 Using the Sweep Function LONG Submenu

Sweep functions SW LIN and SW LOG include a "LONG" submenu for setting up longer sweeps than those provided by the normal parameter set. To use the LONG Submenu parameters, do the following:

- (1) Select either SW LIN or SW LOG from the MODULATED WAVES menu. The submenu shown in Figure 3-15 should appear on the screen. This is the NORMAL parameter submenu.
- (2) Press the LONG Softkey. The LONG submenu shown in Figure 3-16 should appear on the screen. Notice that the OFFSET parameter changes to SAMPLE RATE and the LONG Softkey changes to NORMAL. Set up the parameters as follows:

AMPLITUDE = 5mV to 10V

START FREQ = 1.47Hz to 20MHz (Max. value limited by SAMPLE RATE)

STOP FREQ = 1.47Hz to 20MHz (Max. value limited by SAMPLE RATE)

DURATION = 819.2 μ S to 3435.921S (Dependent upon SAMPLE RATE)

SAMPLE RATE = 76.295Hz to 2.5MHz

- (3) Press NORMAL to return to the normal parameter submenu for SW LIN or SW LOG.

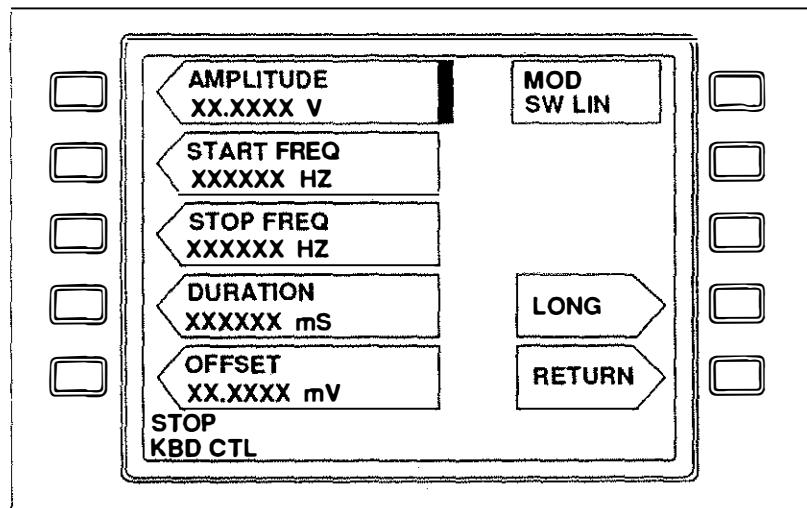


Figure 3-15. NORMAL Parameter Setup for SW LIN and SW LOG

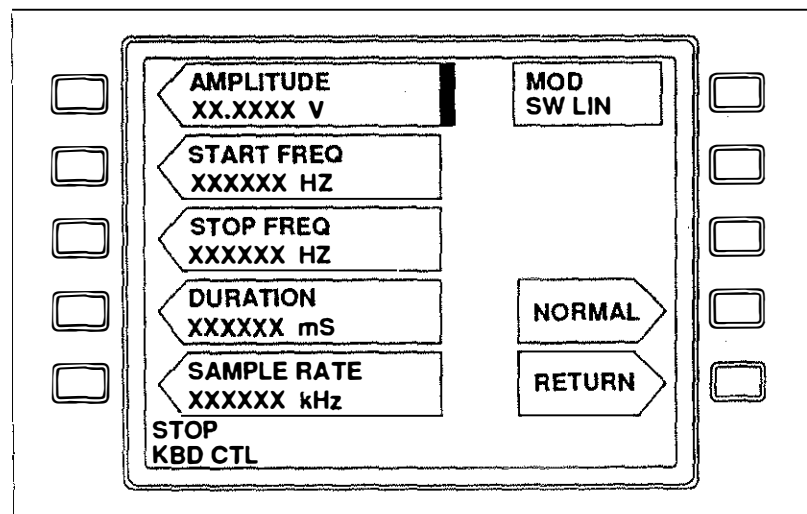


Figure 3-16. LONG Submenu Parameters

3.9 COMBINED WAVES MENU

The COMBINED WAVES Menu provides sum and product combinations of up to four standard functions. Up to four waveforms (each generated by a standard function) may be added together or modulation of a carrier wave may be performed. A carrier can be any type of waveform listed in the STANDARD FUNCTION Submenu. A modulator can be a summation of up to three standard functions using a modulation method of AM, FM or PM. Within the COMBINED WAVES function, AM is always applied as Double Side-Band, Suppressed Carrier AM. Any post-modulation summation can be included using one or two standard functions.

To view the set-up display (Figure 3-17), press WAVE and select COMBINED WAVES.

The combined function is defined by graphically creating a network of signal paths on the display screen. The Softkeys on the right call up set-up displays for the four standard functions. The Softkeys on the left are signal path controls which enable you to graphically create the network that represents the combined function that you want. If you choose to simulate a modulated carrier signal, the bottom Softkey on the left allows you to select the type of modulation. If no modulation is performed, the Modulation Type indicator reads "NONE."

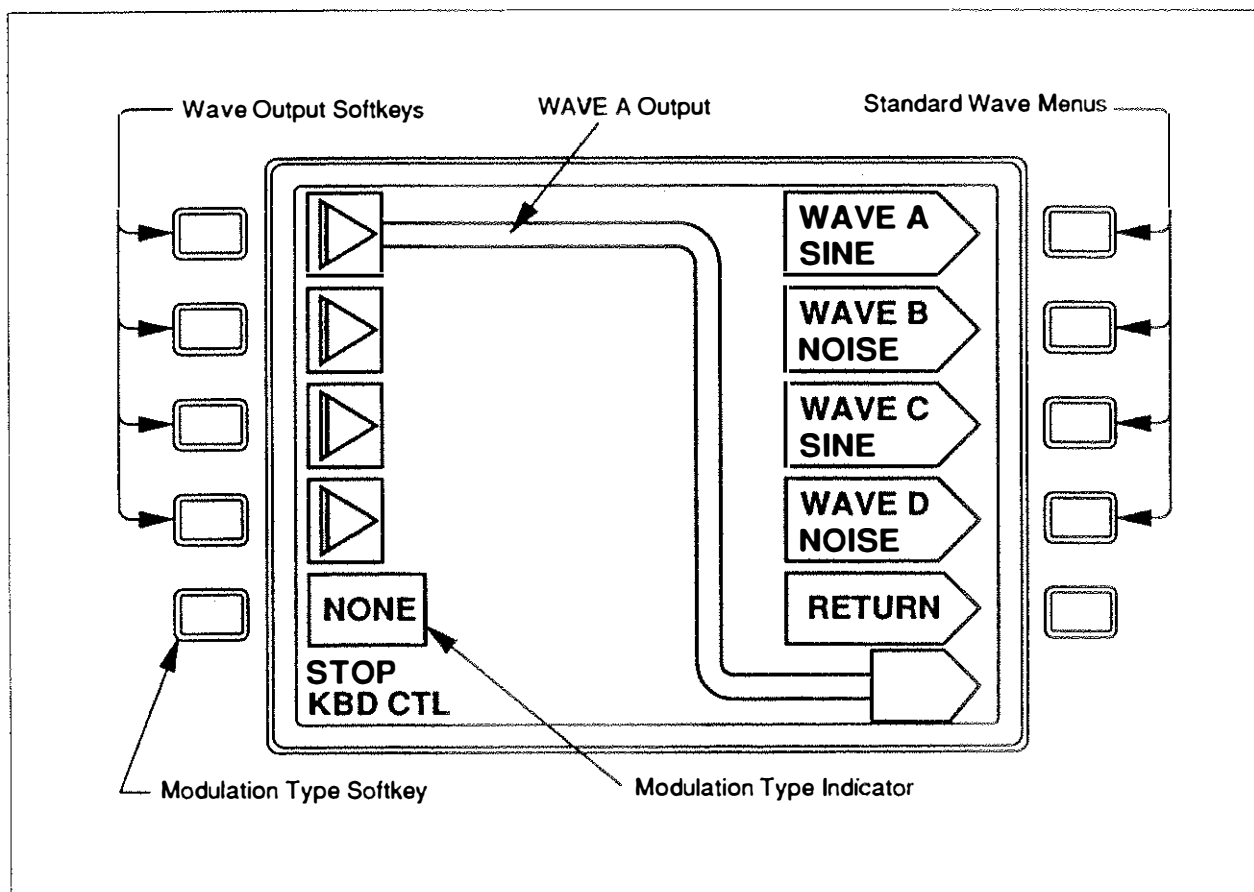


Figure 3-17. COMBINED WAVES Set-Up Display

3.9.1 Setting Up Standard Functions

To set up any of the four standard functions, press the Softkey for WAVE A, B, C or D. You should see a set-up display similar to the one shown in Figure 3-18.

Pressing the top right Softkey enables the Standard Function Submenu. Once enabled, rotating the Rotary Encoder scrolls through the list of standard functions. To select a function, rotate the Rotary Encoder until the function you want appears on the display. After selecting a function, the set-up parameters for that function are displayed on the left-hand side of the display. These parameters can be set up as instructed in Section 2. Pressing RETURN takes you back to the combined wave set-up display.

When setting up an FM or PM modulator, an additional set-up parameter of **FREQ DEV** (frequency deviation) or **MOD INDEX** (Modulation Index) is included in the set-up display.

3.9.2 Frequency Limitations

The instrument's operating program handles the four waveforms according to a hierarchical order where WAVE A is at the top of the hierarchy and B, C and D establish the second, third and fourth levels.

The highest-level waveform used determines the internal sample clock. Therefore, the frequency used for the highest level waveform limits the allowed frequency range for waveforms set up on any of the lower levels. For example, if the frequency of WAVE A is set to 5 kHz, the frequency selected for B, C, or D must have a common denominator with 5 kHz. Likewise, If WAVE B is the highest level used and its frequency is 1 kHz, the frequency selected for C or D must have a common denominator with 1 kHz. The actual frequency allowed can best be determined by spinning the Rotary Encoder and observing which frequencies are valid.

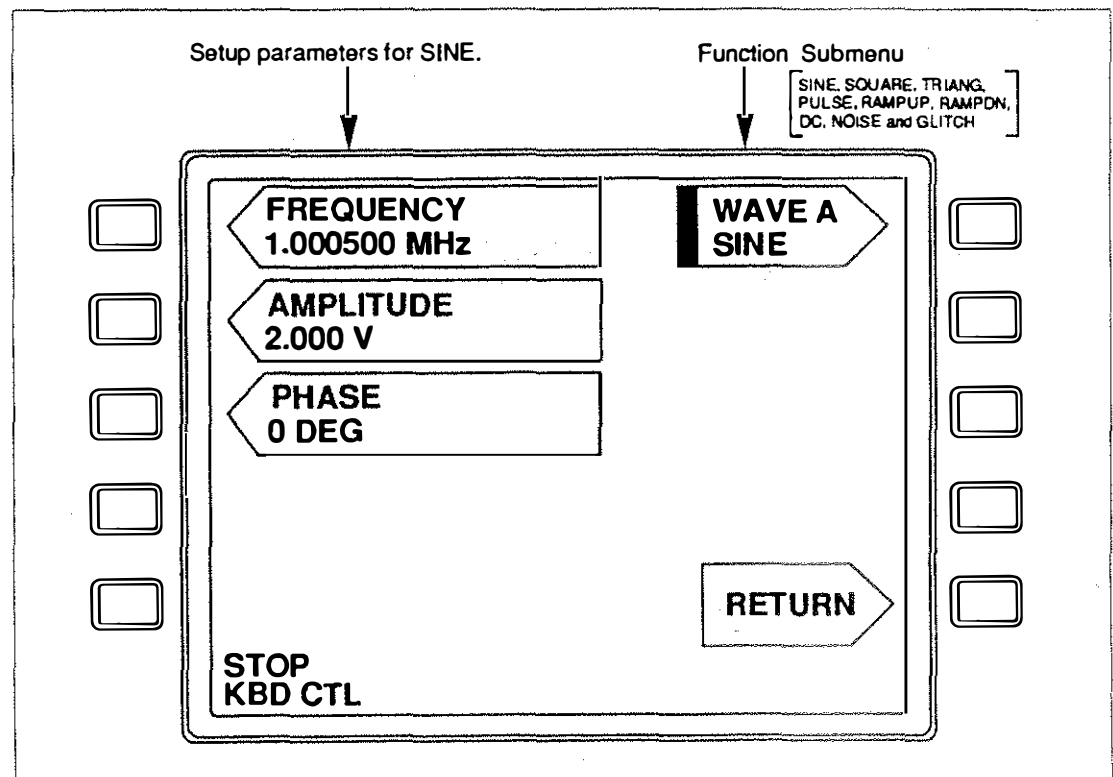


Figure 3-18. Standard Function Set-Up Display

3.9.3 Selecting Modulation Type

The Modulation Type control selects the modulation method for combining the designated modulator with the carrier. Pressing this Softkey steps through the available selections: AM, FM, PM. The type appearing in the box is applied to the combined function.

3.9.4 Defining a Combined Output

The combined output is defined by placing signal paths in the appropriate positions on the display as shown in Figure 3-19. Signal paths can be positioned in one of three columns by pressing the signal path Softkey. Pressing the applicable Softkey moves the signal path from one column to the next in a cyclical fashion, always moving from left to right across the screen.

When defining a combined function, follow these guidelines:

- (1) Functions to be summed should always be placed in columns 1 or 3.
- (2) A modulating signal should always be placed in Column 1.
- (3) A carrier should always be placed in Column 2.

See Section 3.9.5 for a combined output example.

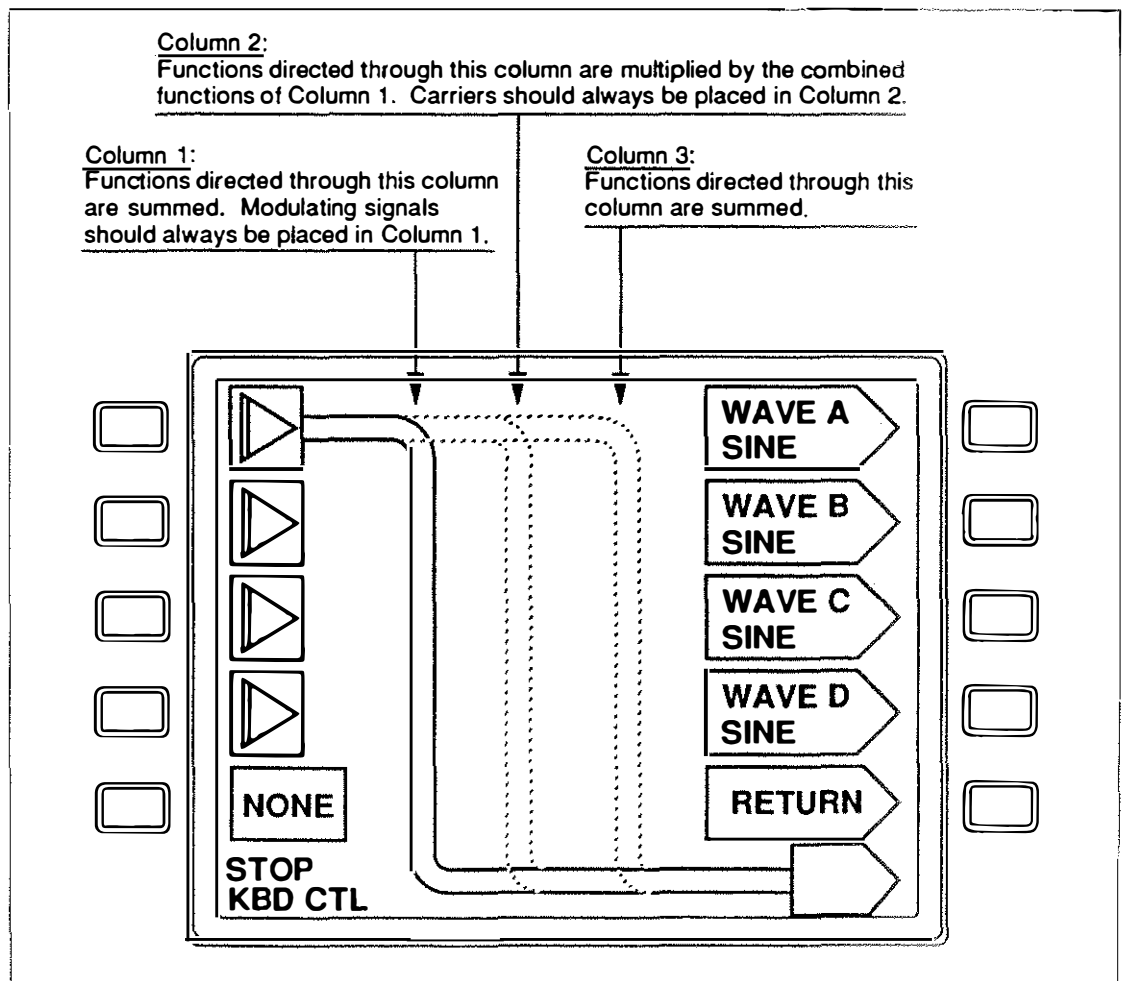


Figure 3-19. Signal Path Positioning

3.9.5 Combined Waves Example

This example simulates the output of an AM radio IF stage. The output is a 455-kHz carrier modulated with an 1.2-kHz audio tone. The set-up display for this combined function is shown in Figure 3-20.

To set up this combined function, do the following:

- (1) Press WAVE and select the COMBINED WAVES function.
- (2) Using the signal path controls, create the signal network: Place WAVE A in Column 2, WAVE B in Column 1, WAVE C in Column 1 and WAVE D in Column 3.
- (3) Select AM for the modulation method.
- (4) Press WAVE A and set up the following parameters. Press RETURN when done.
WAVE A = SINE
FREQUENCY = 455 kHz
AMPLITUDE = 1 V
- (5) Press WAVE B and set up the following parameters. Press RETURN when done.
WAVE B = SINE
FREQUENCY = 1.2 kHz (Note that the nearest available frequency is 1.153846 kHz.)
AMPLITUDE = 1 V
- (6) Press WAVE C and set up the following parameters. Press RETURN when done.
WAVE C = DC
DC LEVEL = 1 V
- (7) Press WAVE D and set up the following parameters. Press RETURN when done.
WAVE D = NOISE
RMS NOISE = 5 mV
- (8) Press R/S to activate the output.

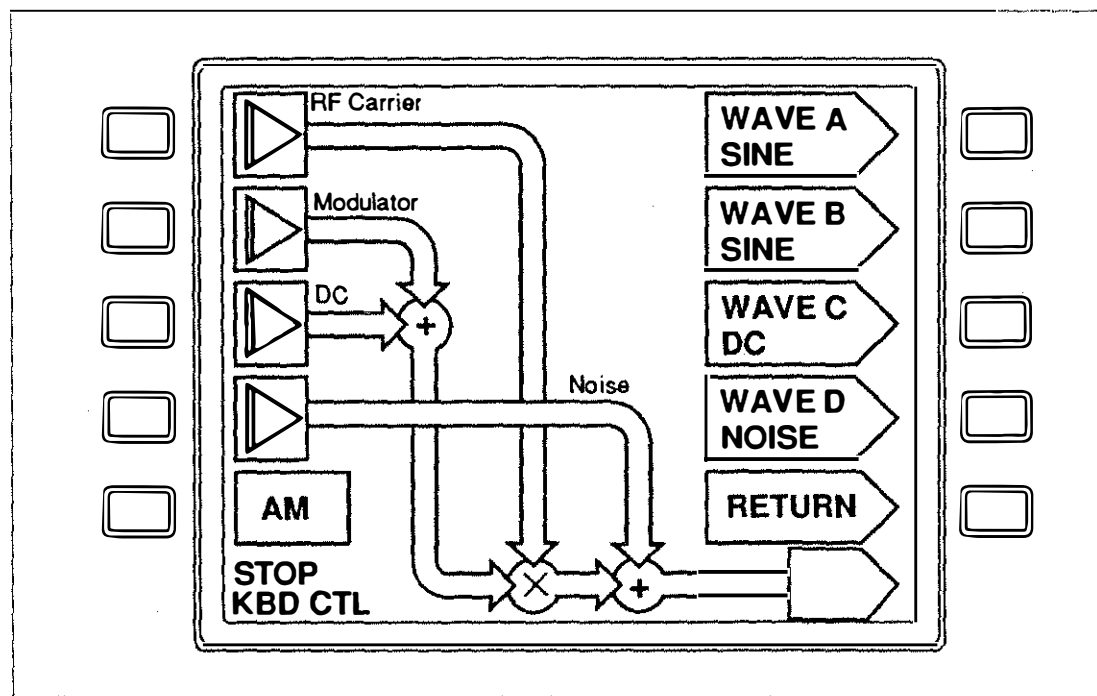


Figure 3-20. COMBINED WAVES Example

3.10 SPECIAL WAVES MENU

The Special Waves Menu provides miscellaneous special-purpose waveforms. From the WAVE menu, press the SPECIAL WAVES Softkey to display the submenu of waveforms shown in Figure 3-21.

To set up one of these waveforms, follow these steps:

- (1) Press WAVE.
- (2) Press SPECIAL WAVES. The MISC submenu (Figure 3-21) should appear.
- (3) Using the Rotary Encoder or the Right/Left Move keys, select a wave type.
- (4) Press ENTER. The appropriate parameter set-up display should appear on the screen.
- (5) Refer to Table 3-3 and set up the required parameters.
- (6) Press R/S to activate the output.

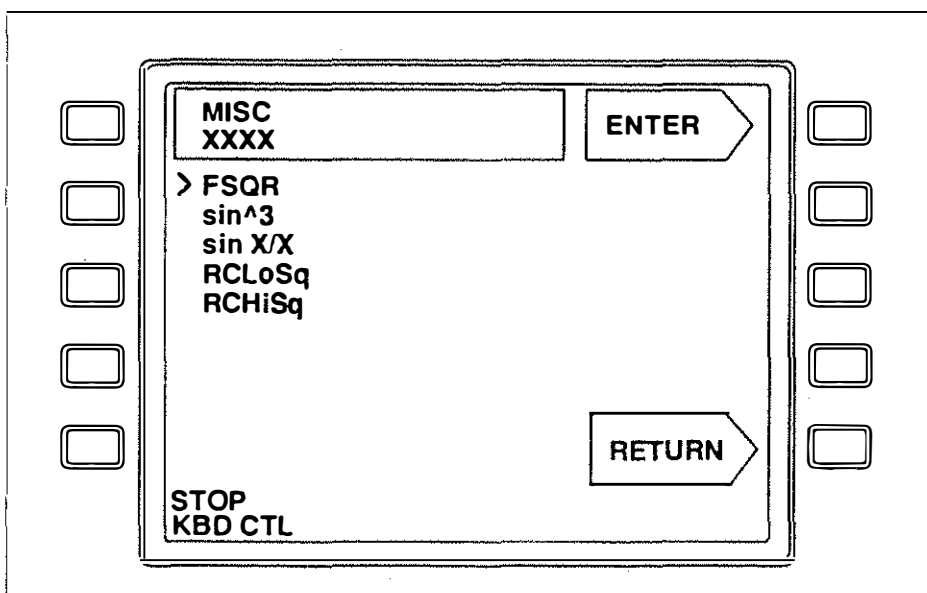


Figure 3-21. MISC Waveform Submenu

Table 3-3. Setup Parameters for MISC Waveforms

| | FSQR | sin ³ | sin X/X | RCLoSq & RCHISq |
|--------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| HIGH TIME | 0.02μS to 4.99mS | — | — | — |
| PERIOD | 0.04μS to 5.0mS | — | — | — |
| AMPLITUDE | 5.0mV to 10V | | | |
| OFFSET | 0 to 10V | | — | -10V to +10V |
| FREQUENCY | — | 1.47Hz to 2.5MHz | — | 1.47Hz to 2.5MHz |
| PHASE | — | -359.9 to +359.9 DEG | — | — |
| BANDWIDTH | — | — | 1.47Hz to 20MHz | — |
| LINE SPACING | — | — | 1.47Hz to 24.4kHz | — |
| DELAY TIME | — | — | — | 0 to 680.1mS |
| R * C | — | — | — | 4.0nS to 6803mS |

3.11 SAVING, RECALLING OR DELETING INSTRUMENT SET-UPS

Any waveform setup can be saved to internal memory storage and recalled at another time. The DIR function key provides access to SAVE, RECALL and DELETE functions.

3.11.1 Saving Set-Ups

- (1) Set up and run the wave function.
- (2) Press DIR and select SAVE DIR from the directory menu.
- (3) Name the file: Press SAVE SETUP AS. Using the Left/Right Move keys and the Rotary Encoder, spell a name using up to 13 alphanumeric characters.
- (4) Press ENTER. "DONE" flashes on the screen to indicate a successful operation.

3.11.2 Recalling Set-Ups

- (1) Press DIR and select RECALL DIR from the directory menu.
- (2) Press RECALL DIR and select a file from the list with the cursor using the Right/Left Move keys.
- (3) Press ENTER. "DONE" flashes on the screen to indicate a successful operation.

NOTE: *DEFAULT has a special meaning. It may be used to set the instrument to a factory-defined setting.*

3.11.3 Deleting Set-Ups

- (1) Press DIR and select DELETE DIR from the directory menu.
- (2) Press DELETE DIR and select a file from the list with the cursor using the Right/Left Move keys.
- (3) Press ENTER. "DONE" flashes on the screen after the file name is removed from the list.

NOTE: *DEFAULT can not be deleted.*

Section 4

Remote Operation

4.1 INTRODUCTION

This instrument can be operated remotely using either the RS232 or IEEE-488 (GPIB) interface. To transfer control between Local and Remote, see Section 3.3 for a description of the I/O key functions. For more information on using the GPIB interface, see Section 5.

Figure 4-1 provides a summary of the commands described in this section. The command set is organized into five groups. Below the title of each group you will find a section reference.

| | | | |
|--|-------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| <u>MAINFRAME COMMON COMMANDS (Section 4.3)</u> | | <u>MODULATED WAVES (WAVE=MOD) (Section 4.5)</u> | |
| TRIG:TYPE | Trigger Type | MSHAPE | Wave shape |
| TRIG:TSRC | Trigger Source | BW | Bandwidth |
| TRIG:LEV | Trigger Level | CAMP | Carrier Amplitude |
| TRIG:GATE | Gate Type | CFREQ | Carrier Frequency |
| BURST:CYCLES | Burst Count | MDEV | Modulation Deviation |
| WAVE | Waveform Category | MFREQ | Modulation Frequency |
| OUTPUT | Run/Stop Output | MINDX | Modulation Index |
| OUT:IMP | Output Impedance | MPERCENT | Modulation Percent |
| MARKER | Marker Time | OFF | Offset |
| EXT:MOD | External Modulation | AMP | Peak Amplitude |
| OUT:FLT | Output Filter | PKT | Peak Time |
| CLK:CSRC | Clock Source | REP | Repetition Rate |
| CLK:RATE | Output Sample Rate | STRFREQ | Start Frequency |
| CLK:REF | Ext. Ref. Clock | STPFREQ | Stop Frequency |
| DIR:SAVE | Save Directory | DURATION | Duration |
| DIR:RECALL | Recall Directory | LONGSWEEP | Long Sweeps Enable |
| DIR:DELETE | Delete Directory | LONGSAMPLE | Long Sweep Sample Rate |
| DIR:NAME | Name Directory | | |
| DIR:FIRST | First Dir. Index | <u>COMBINED WAVES (WAVE=COMB) (Section 4.6)</u> | |
| DIR:NEXT | Next Dir. Index | DEFINE | Combined Output |
| DIR:FREE | Empty Directory Index | CMB:TYPE | Modulation Type |
| LOCAL | Front Panel Control | WAVE:AMP | Amplitude |
| ECHO | RS232 Echo | WAVE:FREQ | Frequency |
| DISP:CNTRST | Display Contrast | WAVE:LEV | DC Level |
| DISP:BCKLT | Display Backlight | WAVE:DEV | Freq. Deviation |
| TABLE | Upload Instrument Setup | WAVE:INDX | Mod. Index |
| UPLOAD | Upload Arbitrary Data | WAVE:SHAPE | Wave Shape |
| | | WAVE:SYM | Symmetry |
| <u>STANDARD WAVE (WAVE=STD) (Section 4.4)</u> | | WAVE:GLIT:RISE | Glitch Rise Time |
| SHAPE | Wave shape | WAVE:GLIT:FALL | Glitch Fall Time |
| FREQ | Frequency | WAVE:GLIT:TOP | Glitch Top Width |
| AMP | Amplitude | POLARITY | Polarity |
| DLY | Delay | | |
| PHS | Phase | <u>SPECIAL WAVES (WAVE=SPECIAL) (Section 4.7)</u> | |
| OFF | Offset | SSHAPE | Wave Shape |
| SYM | Symmetry | FSQU | Fast Square Wave |
| DUTY | Duty Cycle | FSQ:REP | Fast Square Repeat Time |
| LEV | DC Level | FSQ:HIGH | Fast Square High Time |
| NOI:MODE | Noise Mode | AMP | Amplitude |
| NOI:NAMP | Noise Amplitude | OFF | DC Offset |
| NOI:LINES | Line Spacing | RCTCONST | RC Time Constant |
| GLIT:RISE | Glitch Rise Time | | |
| GLIT:FALL | Glitch Fall Time | | |
| GLIT:TOP | Glitch Top Width | | |
| POLARITY | Polarity | | |

Figure 4-1. Command Summary

4.1.1 Connecting to the RS232 Interface

The RS232 interface included with this instrument requires only a three-wire connection with pins 2 and 3 reversed.

| Pin | Signal |
|-----|--------|
| 2 | Input |
| 3 | Output |
| 5 | Ground |

4.1.2 Programming Guidelines

The command set in Figure 4-1 allows you to remotely control the 2030 using the same functions available from the front panel. Note the following guidelines for remote operation.

- Only one waveform function (Standard, Modulated, Combined or Special) can be active at a time. When one waveform function is active you cannot access the parameters of another. However, the mainframe and GPIB common commands can be used while a waveform function is active.
- Waveform setups are saved when switching from one waveform function to another.
- When switching between waveform functions the output is deactivated. Send "OUTPUT=RUN" to reactivate the output for a new waveform function.
- If the instrument is switched off while under remote operation, it will power-up in remote operation when switched on again.
- Commands may be written in a string as long as each command is separated by a semicolon.

4.2 COMMAND ENTRY

Programming commands may be entered in the following format:

COMMAND MNEMONIC=<argument> <suffix> <termination>

where:

<argument>is a decimal, an integer, a mnemonic or an ASCII string as specified,

<suffix>is either a multiplier in scientific notation or units of measure.

| | | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Multipliers: | EX 1e18 | MA 1e6 | N 1e-9 |
| | PE 1e15 | K 1e3 | P 1e-12 |
| | T 1e12 | M 1e-3 | F 1e-15 |
| | G 1e9 | U 1e-6 | A 1e-18 |
| Units: | HZ Hertz | RAD Radians | |
| | V Volts | S Seconds | |
| | DEG Degrees | DB Decibels | |

<termination> is either a <LF> and/or <EOI> (End or Identify, IEEE-488). If a <CR> is included, it is ignored.

Query commands are entered using a question mark in place of the equal sign:

COMMAND MNEMONIC?<termination>

The response to a query is returned on the next line.

4.3 MAINFRAME COMMON COMMANDS

These commands correspond to the functions performed by the front panel dedicated function keys. All commands may be sent in the query format which returns the selection entered last.

4.3.1 Trigger Commands [TRIG]

| Command | Input | Comments |
|----------------------|---|-------------------------|
| TRIG:TYPE=<Input> | FREE Free Run +GATED Positive Gated -GATED Negative Gated +TO+ Positive-to-Positive -TO- Negative-to-Negative +START Positive Start -START Negative Start +STOP Positive Stop -STOP Negative Stop | Trigger Type |
| TRIG:TSRC=<Input> | EXTER External Trigger MANUAL Manual Trigger REMOTE IEEE-488 GET | Trigger Source |
| TRIG:TLEV=<Input> | -3 to +3 Voltage Level | External Trigger Level |
| TRIG:GATE=<Input> | BURST Burst AUTO Auto-Restart SH Sample & Hold BLOCK Block End BURST-STOP Burst & Stop AUTO-STOP Auto-Restart & Stop BLOCK-STOP Block End & Stop | Gate Type |
| BURST:CYCLES=<Input> | 1 to 200 Cycles | Burst number of cycles. |

4.3.2 Wave Functions [WAVE]

| Command | Input | Comments |
|--------------|--|-----------------------------|
| WAVE=<Input> | STD Standard Wave MOD Modulated Wave COMB Combined Waves SPECIAL Special Waves ARB Arbitrary | Waveform Category Selection |

4.3.3 Output Functions [OUT]

| Command | Input | Comments |
|-----------------|---|---|
| OUT:IMP=<Input> | 50 or 600 | Output Impedance: 50 or 600 Ohms |
| MARKER=<Input>S | 120ns to 618.992ms | Marker Time. MARKER? returns value in scientific notation. |
| EXT:MOD=<Input> | ON or OFF | External Modulation |
| OUT:FLT=<Input> | OFF F20M 23MHz F1M 1MHz F100K 100kHz | Output Filter Cutoff. Arbitrary (ARB) mode only, see Section 5.4. |

4.3.4 Clock Functions [CLK]

| Command | Input | Comments |
|------------------|---|--|
| CLK:CSRC=<Input> | INTER Internal Clock EXTER External Clock REF Ext. Ref. Clock | System Clock Source |
| CLK:RATE=<Input> | 384.615384615 kHz, 5 MHz or 50 MHz | Output Sample Rate. Only active in ARB mode. |
| CLK:REF=<Input> | 1 to 16 MHz in 1-MHz Steps | External reference clock frequency. |

4.3.5 Directory Functions [DIR]

| Command | Input/Response | Comments |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| DIR:SAVE=<Input> | ASCII filename (13 char. max.) | Save Directory |
| DIR:RECALL=<Input> | Directory Index | Recall Directory |
| DIR:DELETE=<Input> | Directory Index | Delete Directory |
| DIR:NAME=<Input> | ASCII filename (13 char. max.) | Directory establishes a directory name. |
| DIR:FIRST? | <Index><Space><Name> | Returns the index of the First directory. |
| DIR:NEXT? | <Index><Space><Name> | Returns the index of the Next Directory. |
| DIR:FREE? | <Index> | Returns the index of the next Free Directory. |

4.3.6 Communication Functions [I/O]

| Command | Input | Comments |
|--------------|---------------|--|
| LOCAL | None | Restores front panel operation. |
| ECHO=<Input> | ON or OFF | Sets RS232 echo capability on or off. |
| UPLOAD | | Loads external data into output memory. See Section 5. |
| TABLE? | #nbbbb;xxx... | <p>Uploads the parameter set-up table to the PC. The data format is as follows:</p> <p>TABLE=#nbbbb;xxxxxxxx ...</p> <p>n = number of following bytes (represented by "bbbb") before semicolon</p> <p>bbbb = number of bytes in data stream including the semicolon</p> <p>xxx... = data stream</p> <p>In this example, n = 4.</p> <p>It is best to store the uploaded data in a file so that it can be downloaded at another time. Note that the command "TABLE=" is embedded into the ASCII string. To download the string back to the 2030, simply send the entire file. When this is done, the output is switched to STOP to protect whatever is connected to the output.</p> <p>Only a limited amount of time is permitted between downloading data bytes. A counter is set to 0x7FFF and then decrements as the communication port is polled for a data byte. If a byte is not received before the counter expires, an execution error is generated.</p> |

4.3.7 Display Functions [DISP]

| Command | Response | Comments |
|--------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| DISP:CNTRST? | 0 to 300 Contrast Level | Query only function. |
| DISP:BCKLT? | 0 to 100 Backlight Level | Query only function. |

4.3.8 Run/Stop Functions [R/S]

| Command | Input | Comments |
|----------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| OUTPUT=<Input> | RUN Activate Output STOP Deactivate Output | Activates or deactivates the output. |

4.4 STANDARD WAVE COMMANDS [WAVE=STD]

The Standard Wave Commands are listed below. Before using these commands, be sure to send WAVE=STD. All commands may be sent in the query format which returns the selection entered last.

4.4.1 Waveform Command

| Command | Waveform | Parameter Commands (Section 4.4.2) |
|------------------|---|--|
| SHAPE=<Waveform> | SINE Sine SQU Square PULSE Pulse TRI Triangle RAMPUP LO-to-HI Ramp RAMPDN HI-to-LO Ramp DC DC Level NOI Noise GLITCH Glitch | FREQ, AMP, PHS, OFF and NOI FREQ, AMP, OFF DUTY, DLY and NOI FREQ, AMP, OFF, DUTY, DLY and NOI FREQ, AMP, OFF, SYM, DLY and NOI FREQ, AMP, OFF, DLY and NOI FREQ, AMP, OFF, DLY and NOI LEV NOI:MODE, NOI:AMP and NOI:LINES GLIT:RISE, GLIT:FALL, GLIT:TOP, POLARITY |

4.4.2 Waveform Parameter Commands

| Command | Input | Comments |
|---------------------|---|---|
| FREQ=<Input>Hz | 0.001 to 20000000 Hz | Frequency for SINE, SQU, PULSE, TRI, RAMPUP, RAMPDN. |
| AMP=<Input>V | 0.005 to 10 Volts | Amplitude for SINE, SQU, PULSE, TRI, RAMPUP, RAMPDN. |
| DLY=<Input>S | ($\pm 0.997 \times \text{FREQ}$) Sec. | Delay for SQR, TRI, PULSE, RAMPUP, RAMPDN. |
| PHS=<Input> DEG | -359.9 to +359.9 Deg. | Phase for SINE. |
| OFF=<Input>V | -10.0 to +10.0 Volts | Offset for SINE, SQR, TRI, PULSE, RAMPUP, RAMPDN. |
| SYM=<Input> | 5.0 to 95.0 Percent | Symmetry for TRI. |
| DUTY=<Input> | 5.0 to 95.0 Percent | Duty Cycle for SQR and PULSE. |
| LEV=<Input>V | -10 to +10 Volts | DC level for DC. |
| NOI:MODE=<Input> | ON or OFF | Noise Mode Enable for SINE, SQU, TRI, PULSE, RAMPUP, RAMPDN. |
| NOI:NAMP=<Input>V | 0.001 to 1.879 Volts | Noise Amplitude for SINE, SQU, TRI, PULSE, RAMPUP, RAMPDN. |
| NOI:LINES=<Input>Hz | 1.47 to 24.41406 Hz | Line spacing of the noise signal for SINE, SQU, TRI, PULSE, RAMPUP, RAMPDN and NOISE. |
| GLIT:RISE=<Input>S | 0.02 μ S to 340.13mS | Glitch Rise |
| GLIT:FALL=<Input>S | 0.02 μ S to 340.13mS | Glitch Fall Time |
| GLIT:TOP=<Input>S | 0 to 340.13mS | Glitch Top Width |
| POLARITY=<Input> | 0 = Normal, 1 = Inverted | Polarity |

NOTE: Noise commands "NOI:MODE" and "NOI:AMP" apply only to additive noise. Command "NOI:LINES" applies to any noise output.

4.5 MODULATED WAVE COMMANDS [WAVE=MOD]

Before using the modulated wave commands, be sure to send WAVE=MOD. All these commands can be sent in the query format which returns the last value programmed.

4.5.1 Modulated Waveforms

| Command | Waveform | Parameter Commands (Section 4.5.2) |
|------------|--|---|
| MSHAPE= | AM..... Amplitude Modulation | CFREQ, CAMP, MFREQ, MINDX, MPERCENT, OFF |
| <Waveform> | AMDSBSC AM Dble Sideband Supp. Carrier | CFREQ, CAMP, MFREQ, MINDX, OFF |
| | AMSSB AM Single Sideband | CFREQ, CAMP, MFREQ, MINDX, MPERCENT, OFF |
| | AMSSBSC AM SSB Suppressed Carrier | CFREQ, CAMP, MFREQ, OFF |
| | FM Frequency Modulation | CFREQ, CAMP, MFREQ, MDEV, OFF |
| | PM Phase Modulation | CFREQ, CAMP, MFREQ, MINDX, OFF |
| | EXPD Exponential Decay | CFREQ, AMP, PKT, DURATION, OFF |
| | SINX sin X/X | CFREQ, AMP, BW, REP, PHS |
| | SWPUP Linear Sweep Up | AMP, STRFREQ, STPFREQ, DURATION, OFF, LONGSWEEP, LONGSAMPLE |
| | SWPDN Linear Sweep Down | Same as for SWPUP. |
| | SWPLOGUP Exponential Sweep Up | Same as for SWPUP. |
| | SWPLOGDN Exponential Sweep Down | Same as for SWPUP. |

4.5.2 Modulated Waveform Parameter Commands

| Command | Input | Comments |
|----------------------|---|--|
| AMP=<Input>V | 0.005 to 10.00 | Peak Amplitude for EXPD, SIN X, SWPUP, SWPDN, SWPLOGUP, SWPLOGDN, SWPEXPUP and SWPEXPON. |
| BW=<Input>HZ | 1.470 to 20000000 | Bandwidth for SIN X |
| CAMP=<Input>V | 0.005 to 10.00 | Carrier Amplitude for AM, AMDSBSC, AMSSB, AMSSBSC, FM and PM. |
| CFREQ=<Input>HZ | 1.470 to 20000000 | Carrier Frequency for AM, AMDSBSC, AMSSB, AMSSBSC, FM, PM EXPD and SIN X. |
| DURATION=<Input>S | 40.96µS to 5.24mS | Wave duration for EXPD, SWPUP, SWPDN, SWPLOGUP and SWPLOGDN. |
| MDEV=<Input>HZ | 1.470 to 20000000 | Modulation deviation for FM. |
| MFREQ=<Input>HZ | 1.470 to 20000000 | Modulation frequency for AM, AMDSBSC, AMSSB, AMSSBSC, FM and PM. |
| MINDX=<Input> | 0 to 9213 | Modulation Index for PM. |
| MPERCENT=<Input> | 0.0 to 200.0 | Modulation percentage for AM, AMDSBSC, and AMSSB. |
| OFF=<Input>V | - 10.00 to + 10.00 | Offset for AM, AMDSBSC, AMSSB, AMSSBSC, FM, PM, EXPD, SIN X, SWPUP, SWPDN, SWLOGUP and SWPLOGDN. |
| PHS=<Input>DEG | - 359.9 to 359.9 | Phase for SIN X. |
| PKT=<Input>S | 20.5µS to 672mS | Peak time for the EXPD exponential decay envelope to reach its peak value (clock dependent). |
| REP=<Input>HZ | 1.47 Hz min. (Clock + 262144) to 24.414 kHz max. (Clock + 2048) | Repetition rate (line spacing) for SIN X (clock dependent). |
| STRFREQ=<Input>HZ | 1.470 to 20000000 | Start frequency for SWPUP, SWPDN, SWPLOGUP and SWPLOGDN. |
| STPFREQ=<Input>HZ | 1.470 to 20000000 | Stop frequency for SWPUP, SWPDN, SWPLOGUP and SWPLOGDN. |
| LONGSWEEP=<Input> | ENABLE...to enable, anyother character to disable. | Longsweep enable. Extends range of DURATION. |
| LONGSAMPLE=<Input>Hz | 76.295 to 2500000 Hz | Sample Rate for longsweep functions. |

4.6 COMBINED WAVES COMMANDS [WAVE=COMB]

Before using these commands, send WAVE=COMB. All these commands can be sent in the query format which returns the last value programmed. To define the combined output function, send

$$\text{DEFINE} = (\text{Modulator}) * (\text{Carrier}) + (\text{Offset})$$

where the Modulator, Carrier and Offset represent one of the standard waveforms (A), (B), (C) or (D); or a combination of standard waveforms, such as (A+B) or (A+B+C), etc. The parameters for the waveforms are as follows.

| Command | Input | Comments |
|-------------------------------|--|---|
| CMB:TYPE=<Input> | AM, FM or PM | Modulation method of combined output. |
| WAVE:n:AMP=<Input>V | 0.005 to 10.0 | Amplitude for SINE, SQU, TRI, PULSE, RAMPUP & RAMPDN. |
| WAVE:n:FREQ=<Input>HZ | 2.94 to 20000000 | Frequency of WAVE:n. |
| WAVE:n:LEV=<Input>V | -10.0 to +10.0 | DC Level of WAVE:n. |
| WAVE:n:DEV=<Input>HZ | 2.94 to 20000000 | FM Frequency Deviation of WAVE:n. |
| WAVE:n:INDX=<Input> | 0 to 92131 | Phase Modulation index for PM. |
| WAVE:n:SHAPE=<Input> | SINE Sine SQU Square PULSE Pulse TRI Triangle RAMPUP LO-to-HI Ramp RAMPDN HI-to-LO Ramp DC DC level NOISE Noise | Waveform type for WAVE:n. |
| NOTE: n = A, B, C or D | | |
| WAVE:n:PHS=<input>DEG | -359.9 to 359.9 | Phase shift for WAVE:n (SINE only). |
| WAVE:n:SYM=<Input> | 5.0 to 95.0% | Symmetry of TRI wave. |
| WAVE:n:GLIT:RISE=<input>S | 0.02µS to 340.13mS | Glitch Rise Time of WAVE:n. |
| WAVE:n:GLIT:TOP=<input>S | 0 to 340.13mS | Glitch Top Width of WAVE:n. |
| WAVE:n:GLIT:FALL=<input>S | 0.02µS to 340.13mS | Glitch Fall Time of WAVE:n. |
| POLARITY=<Input> | POSITIVE,NEGATIVE | Polarity of Glitch. |

4.7 SPECIAL WAVES COMMANDS [WAVE=SPECIAL]

The following commands are for programming the Special Waves functions.

| Command | Input | Comments |
|------------------|--|--------------------------|
| SSHAPE=<Input> | FSQU Fast Square SIN3 sin ³ SINXX sin X/X RCLOSQ RCLoSq RCHISQ RCHiSq | Special Wave type. |
| FSQ:REP=<Input>S | 40nS to 5.24288mS | Fast Square repeat time. |
| FSQ:HIG=<Input>S | 20nS to 5.24286mS | Fast Square high time. |
| AMP=<Input>V | 0.005 to 10.00 Volts | Fast Square amplitude. |
| OFF=<Input>V | -10.0 to +10.0 Volts | Fast Square dc offset. |
| RCTCONST | 4.0nS to 6803mS | RC Time Constant |

4.8 PROGRAMMING EXAMPLES

The following command strings demonstrate how to remotely program this instrument.

4.8.1 Example #1 – Standard Wave

Instrument Setup: Wave Type: Sine wave
 Frequency: 6 MHz
 Amplitude: 5.0 Volts
 Offset: 1.0 Volts
 Phase: 180 Degrees

Command String:

WAVE=STD;SHAPE=SINE;FREQ=6MAHZ;AMP=5.0;OFF=1.0;PHS=180;OUTPUT=RUN

4.8.2 Example #2 – Modulated Wave

Instrument Setup: Carrier Wave Type: Sine
 Carrier Amplitude: 5.0 Volts
 Carrier Frequency: 100kHz
 Modulation Frequency: 1kHz
 Modulation Percent: 100%
 Offset: 1.0 Volts

Command String:

WAVE=MOD;SHAPE=AM;CFREQ=100KHZ;MFREQ=1KHZ;AMP=5.0;MPERCENT=100;
 OFF=1.0;OUTPUT=RUN

4.8.3 Example #3 – Combined Waves

Instrument Setup: Combined Output: $(\text{WAVE A} + \text{WAVE B}) \times (\text{WAVE C}) + (\text{WAVE D})$
 WAVE A Frequency: 1 kHz
 WAVE B Frequency: 2.0 kHz
 WAVE C Frequency: 1 MHz

Command String:

WAVE=COMB;DEFINE=(A+B)*(C) + (D)
 WAVEA:FREQ=1KHZ;WAVEB:FREQ=2.0KHZ;WAVEC:FREQ=1MAHZ

4.8.4 Example #4 – Queries

The following query examples show the responses that would be returned if the instrument was programmed for the combined output function in Example #3. Note that the reported frequency of WAVE B is not exactly 2.0kHz as programmed. This is because the instrument's operating program rounds off the frequency to the next integer multiple of the carrier wave.

| Query Command | Response |
|---------------|---------------------------|
| WAVEA:FREQ? | → WAVEA:FREQ=1.000000E+00 |
| WAVEB:FREQ? | → WAVEB:FREQ=2.01183E+002 |

IEEE-488 Bus and Arbitrary Waves

5.1 INTRODUCTION

This section describes the implementation of the IEEE-488 Interface Bus (GPIB) and the Arbitrary Waveform capability.

5.2 GPIB INTERFACE

The IEEE-488 interface is user-selectable through front-panel controls. The operation of this interface complies with standards IEEE-488.1-1987 and IEEE-488.2-1988.

5.2.1 IEEE-488 Implemented Capabilities

| Code | Name | Comments |
|------|--------------------|--|
| SH1 | SOURCE HANDSHAKE | Complete capabilities as defined by IEEE-488.1 ~ 19987. |
| AH1 | ACCEPTOR HANDSHAKE | Complete capabilities as defined by IEEE-488.1 ~ 19987. |
| T6 | TALKER | Basic Talker, Serial Poll and Unaddress if MLA capabilities. |
| L4 | LISTENER | Basic Listener and Unaddress if MTA capabilities. |
| SR1 | SERVICE REQUEST | Complete capabilities as defined by IEEE-488.1 ~ 19987. |
| RL2 | REMOTE/LOCAL | Remote/Local capabilities with no local lockout. |
| PP1 | PARALLEL POLL | Parallel poll capability with remote configuration. |
| DC1 | DEVICE CLEAR | Complete capabilities as defined by IEEE-488.1 ~ 19987. |
| DT1 | DEVICE TRIGGER | Complete capabilities as defined by IEEE-488.1 ~ 19987. |

5.2.2 GPIB Common Control Commands

The GPIB Common Commands begin with an asterisk which distinguishes them from all other function commands. Some commands are queries only.

| Command | Input/Response | Comments |
|-------------|-----------------|--|
| *CLS | None | Clears the Status Byte Register. |
| *ESE<Input> | 0 to 255 | Sets the Standard Event Status Enable Register. ESE? reads this register. |
| *ESR? | 0 to 255 | Returns the contents of the Standard Event Status Register. |
| *IDN? | Instrument ID | Returns the Manufacturer, Model Number and Revision Number |
| *IST? | Status Message | Individual Status Query: A summary of the Parallel Poll Enable Register logically ANDed with the combination of the Status Byte Register (bits 0-7) and bits 8-15 set low. Note that bits 8-15 are not used in this device. |
| *OPC | 1=Complete | Sets the Operation Complete Flag in the ESE Register when all pending commands have been completed. |
| *OPC? | 1 =Complete | Returns a 1 after command is complete. |
| *PRE<Input> | 0 to 255 | Sets the Parallel Poll Enable Register bits. Note that bits 8 to 15 are not used. *PRE? returns the status of the Parallel Poll Enable Register bits. This register is logically ANDed with the parallel poll register to produce the "IST" signal. The parallel poll register is equivalent to the byte reported by a *STB?. The optional upper 8 bits (8-15) of the parallel poll register are not used. |
| *SRE<Input> | 0-63 or 128-191 | Sets the Service Request Enable Register (bit 6 = 0). *SRE? returns the contents. |
| *STB? | 0 to 255 | Returns the value of the Status Byte Register. Bit 6 is the Master Summary Status Bit. |
| *TRG | None | Sends a Trigger pulse if the GPIB port is selected for the trigger source. |
| *RST | None | Resets the instrument: Recalls the factory default settings and turns the output off. |

5.2.3 IEEE-488 Standard Data Structure

As required by the IEEE-488.2-1987 standard, the data structure shown in Figure 5-1 is implemented in the instrument's firmware. A brief description of this data structure follows.

Status Byte Register

The Status Byte Register contains status bits assigned to instrument-related functions and the Request Service (RQS) and Master Summary Status (MSS) messages. This register can be read with a serial poll or a *STB? query command. The register bits are assigned as follows:

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|------|--|
| 7 | CAL | Calculating: 1 = Yes, 0 = No |
| 6 | RQS | Request Service; read by Serial Poll method along with bits 0-5 and 7. |
| | MSS | Master Summary Status: read by *STB? command along with bits 0-5 and 7. |
| 5 | ESB | Event Status Bit; indicates whether or not one or more of the enabled IEEE-488.2-defined events have occurred since the last reading or clearing of the Standard Event Status Register. ESB is true when an enabled event in the Standard Event Status Register is set True. Conversely, ESB is False when no enabled events are True. |
| 4 | MAV | Message Available; indicates whether or not the Output Queue is empty. Whenever the instrument is ready to accept a request by the controller to output data bytes, MAV is True. |
| 3 | ARM | Trigger Arming: 1 = Armed, 0 = Not Armed |
| 2 | RUN | Output Control: 1 = Active, 0 = Not Active |
| 1 | OVL | Overload: 1 = Output Overloaded, 0 = Not overloaded |
| 0 | ARB | Arbitrary Mode |

The function of bit 6 is dependent upon the method used. When serial-pollled, the instrument returns the 7 status bits plus the RQS message. The status byte with the RQS message is returned to the controller as a single byte. The RQS message indicates if the instrument was sending SRQ True. The STB message portion of the Status Byte Register is read non-destructively. The value of the status byte is not altered by a serial poll.

The *STB? command reads the contents of the Status Byte Register and MSS bit. The response represents the sum of the binary-weighted values of the Status Byte Register bits 0-5 and 7 (weights 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, and 128, respectively) and the MSS summary message (weight 64).

Thus, the response to *STB? when considered as a binary value is identical to the response to a serial poll except that the MSS summary message appears in bit 6 in place of the RQS message.

Service Request Enable Register

The Service Request Enable (SRE) Register is written with the *SRE command. A bit value of one indicates an enabled condition, whereas a zero indicates a disabled condition. The instrument always ignores bit 6.

Standard Event Status Register

The Standard Event Status Register has a specific IEEE-defined event assigned to each bit. This register is read by the *ESR? query command. For more information on the function of each bit, refer to the IEEE specification.

Standard Event Status Enable Register

The Standard Event Status Enable Register is written with a *ESE command and read with a *ESE? query. The 8 bits of this register are ANDed with the 8 bits of the Standard Event Status Register and if one of the standard events is detected, the ESB bit is set in the Status Byte Register.

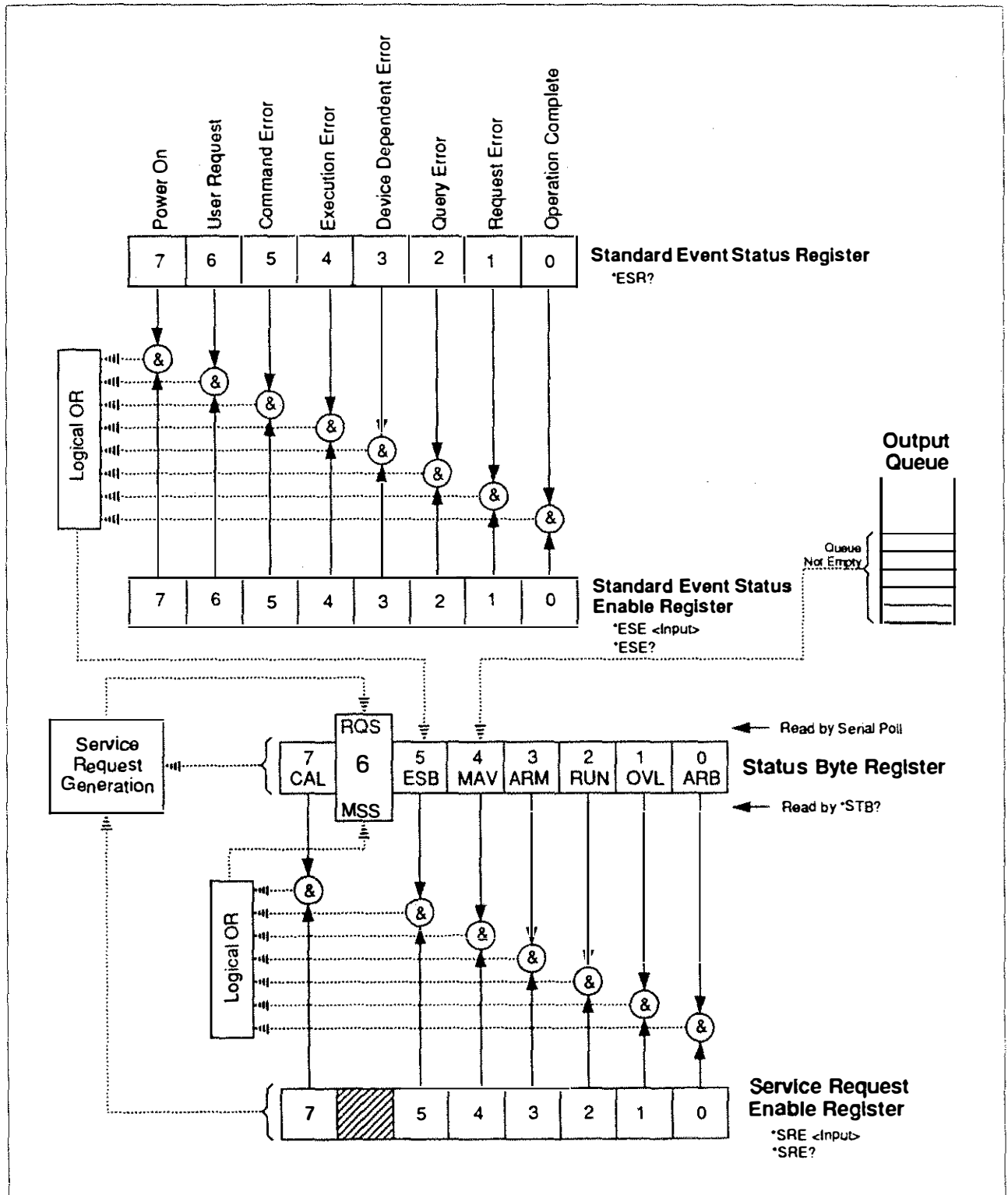


Figure 5-1. GPIB Interface Data Structure

5.3 ARBITRARY WAVES [WAVE=ARB]

The AFS can receive pre-calculated arbitrary waveforms (2K to 256K points) from an external source. Waveform data can be loaded into output memory only via the GPIB interface. The maximum clock rate is 50 Mhz (internal) or 25 MHz (external). The command "WAVE=ARB" places the instrument in the Arbitrary Mode.

5.3.1 Data Transfer Command

The UPLOAD transfers data from an external source and places the data in the output memory of the instrument. The command format is as follows:

```
UPLOAD = < bytes expected>;
        <#><n><block_size><data>
```

Where:

UPLOADis the upload command.

<bytes expected>is the number (decimal) of bytes expected. Must be an even number.

<#>is the ASCII pound sign.

<n>is the number (decimal) of digits in <block_size>.

<block_size>is the data block size (decimal).

<data>are the data points for the waveform.

NOTE: *The number of bytes is two times the number of data points, since each pair of bytes holds a single unpacked 12-bit sample point. The number of points is restricted to greater than or equal to 2048 points, and not more than 262144 points (256K). The number of bytes is two times these numbers.*

The four LSBs of the 12-bit sample point are located in the four MSBs of the first byte of each pair sent. The eight MSBs of the 12-bit sample are located in the second byte of the pair sent.

The 12-bit sample is sent in two's complement form with 7FF(hex) being the most positive output and 801(hex) being the most negative.

Example: The wave is an 11 point ramp that starts at zero volts and goes up by one DAC code with each sample point. Note that this example does not meet the minimum point requirement.

```
UPLOAD=22;
#3022<byte 1><byte 2> ..... <byte 21><byte 22>
byte 1 contains 00h          "LSB's of sample 1"
byte 2 contains 00h          "MSBs of sample 1"
byte 3 contains 01h          "LSBs of sample 2"
byte 4 contains 00h          "MSBs of sample 2"
byte 5 contains 02h          "LSBs of sample 3"
      .
      .
byte 21 contains 0Ah         "LSBs of sample 11"
byte 22 contains 00h         "MSBs of sample 11"
```


When UPLOAD is sent, the instrument reads blocks of arbitrary data until the total number of bytes expected are received, thus terminating the command. Data must be sent in multiple data blocks. Each block must be in the IEEE-488 arbitrary data block format as shown in the next section. Messages are discarded if sent after the UPLOAD command and before the entire data stream is received.

5.3.2 Data Format

Each data block must be in the IEEE-488 arbitrary data block format as follows:

#<n><bytes><data>

Where:

..... is the ASCII number sign.

n is the number (non-zero) of characters used to define #bytes.

<bytes> is the number of bytes to be transferred. Must be an even number.

<data> is the data points of the arbitrary wave.

NOTE: A line feed <LF> is accepted as a data byte. The EOI terminator may be sent at the end of a block transfer. A host with a small buffer should send multiple data blocks.

5.3.3 Arbitrary Wave Example #1

This command will upload a total of 4096 bytes in 16 blocks of 256 bytes each.

```
UPLOAD = 4096; #3256<data byte 1> ....<data byte 256>
#3256<data byte 1> ....<data byte 256>
#3256<data byte 1> ....<data byte 256>
#3256<data byte 1> ....<data byte 256>
#3256<data byte 1> ....<data byte 256>
#3256<data byte 1> ....<data byte 256>
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#3256<data byte 1> ....<data byte 256>
#3256<data byte 1> ....<data byte 256>
#3256<data byte 1> ....<data byte 256>
#3256<data byte 1> ....<data byte 256>
#3256<data byte 1> ....<data byte 256>
```

5.3.4 Arbitrary Wave Example #2

This command string will upload a total of 4096 bytes from one block of data.

```
UPLOAD = 4096;#44096<data byte 1> .....<data byte 4096>
```

5.3.5 Arbitrary Wave Example #3

The following command string illustrates a typical waveform setup:

```
WAVE=ARB ..... Sets mode to Arbitrary Waves.
CLK:RATE=5E6 ..... Sets clock rate to 5MHz.
UPLOAD=<ASCII string> ..... Sends waveform data to 2030.
OUTPUT=RUN ..... Activates the output.
OFF=-0.5 ..... Sets offset to -0.5 volts.
AMP=2.2 ..... Sets waveform amplitude to 2.2 volts.
OUT:FLT=F20M ..... Selects the 20MHz output filter.
```

Section 6

Applications

6.1 INTRODUCTION

This section presents some typical test applications. Each test example includes a description of the application and a set-up procedure. Before working through any of these examples, the DEFAULT set-up should be retrieved from the non-volatile memory.

To retrieve the DEFAULT set-up, do the following:

- (1) Press DIR and select RECALL DIR.
- (2) Using the arrow keys, select DEFAULT from the submenu and press ENTER.
- (3) Press WAVE to return to the top menu level.

6.2 AM RADIO TEST SIGNAL

AM radios use an intermediate frequency (IF) of 455 kHz to mix with the received RF signal. The mixer output passes through a fixed passband filter which strips off the audio signal. To test a receiver, a 455-kHz carrier wave can be modulated with an audio tone to test the quality of the filter.

To generate a 455-kHz carrier modulated by a 384-Hz audio tone with a 50% modulation index, do the following:

- (1) Press WAVE and select MODULATED WAVE.
- (2) Select AMDSB from the submenu and press ENTER.
- (3) Set CARRIER FREQ = 455 kHz, MOD FREQUENCY = 384 kHz and MOD INDEX = 50%.
- (4) If the output is inactive, press R/S.

6.3 EXTERNAL CLOCKING SOURCE FOR TTL DEVICES

Many low-speed digital devices are controlled by TTL logic. In order to clock a TTL device, the clock signal voltage must meet TTL specifications. This example generates a TTL-level logic signal which alternates between 3.5 Volts and 0.5 Volts. Since most TTL devices have threshold voltages of 0.8 Volts (low) and 2.4 Volts (high), these levels assure state transition on a properly functioning device.

To generate a TTL-level logic signal alternating between 3.5 Volts and 0.5 Volts at 100 kHz, do the following:

- (1) Press WAVE and select STANDARD WAVE.
- (2) Select SQUARE from the submenu and press ENTER.
- (3) Set FREQUENCY = 100 kHz, AMPLITUDE = 1.5 V and OFFSET = 2 V.
- (4) If the output is inactive, press R/S.

NOTE: *The voltages given here are correct values for an open-circuit load. If terminated into 50 ohms, the resulting values will be half of what is given in this example.*

6.4 GENERATING A HAVERSINE WAVE

A Haversine Wave signal is used in mechanical systems to perform rotating machinery vibration analysis. The general shape is a sine wave but it is offset by a dc voltage and phase shifted.

The mathematical definition of the waveform is $HAV = 1/2 (1 - \cos A)$.

In order to generate a Haversine Wave with an amplitude of 0.5 Volts, a dc offset of 0.5 Volts and a phase shift of -90 degrees, do the following:

- (1) Press WAVE and select STANDARD WAVE.
- (2) Select SINE from the submenu and press ENTER.
- (3) Set AMPLITUDE = 0.5 V, OFFSET = 0.5 V and PHASE = -90 DEG
- (4) If the output indicator on the display says STOP, press R/S to activate the output.

6.5 SETTING UP A BURST WAVEFORM

Burst waveforms are used to provide a timing reference or clock external devices. The I/O key is used in this example to set up the appropriate parameters to burst out 10 cycles of a sine wave.

- (1) Press WAVE and select STANDARD WAVE.
- (2) Set STD=SINE, FREQUENCY = 1 kHz, AMPLITUDE = 1 V, PHASE = 0.0 DEG, OFFSET = 0.0 V.
- (3) Press TRIG and set TRIGGER TYPE = +GATED, GATE TYPE = BURST MODE, BURST CYCLES = 10 CYC and TRIG SOURCE = MANUAL.
- (4) If the output is inactive, press R/S.
- (5) Press MAN while observing the output on an oscilloscope. Note that an external trigger source could be used also to automate the burst.

6.6 TESTING AN ANALOG FILTER

Linear filters are used in a wide variety of electronics applications and filter performance must be tested to verify design. This section describes only one of the many tests that may be performed. This test example generates a combined signal consisting of three tones that can be fed into a filter to test its ability to pass those frequencies within a passband and reject the out-of-band tones.

To generate a combined output of three tones at 1, 5 and 10 kHz, do the following:

- (1) Press WAVE and select COMBINED WAVES.
- (2) Set up the following waves:
WAVE A: SINE, FREQUENCY = 1 kHz
WAVE B: SINE, FREQUENCY = 5 kHz
WAVE C: SINE, FREQUENCY = 10 kHz
- (3) If the output is inactive, press R/S.

Section 7 Specifications

Functions

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| Standard Waveforms | Sine, Square, Triangle, Pulse, Ramp Up, Ramp Down, DC, Noise |
| Modulations and Sweeps | AM Double Sideband, Double Sideband Suppressed Carrier, AM Single Sideband, Single Sideband Suppressed Carrier, FM, PM, Decay Pulse Envelope, Sin x/x Envelope, Linear Sweep, Log Sweep |
| Additional Waveforms | Combined Waveforms, Arbitrary and Special Waveforms |

Output

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Source Impedance | 50 Ω /600 Ω \pm 1% or open circuit |
| Amplitude Range & Resolution | 5 mV pk to 9.999mV pk in steps of 1 μ V 10mV pk to 99.99mV pk in steps of 10 μ V 100mV pk to 999.9mV pk in steps of 100 μ V 1V pk to 10.000V pk in steps of 1mV |
| Amplitude Accuracy | Analog output circuitry error less than \pm 1% of requested amplitude at 1kHz. Typical relative error 0.05%. |
| Offset Range & Resolution | -10.00V to +10.00V in steps of 2.5mV |
| Offset Accuracy | 1% \pm 200 μ V (20 to 30°C) \pm 34 μ V/°C |
| Freq. Range & Resolution | 0.001Hz to 9.999999kHz in steps of 0.001Hz 10kHz to 99.99999kHz in steps of 0.01Hz 100kHz to 999.9999kHz in steps of 0.1Hz 1MHz to 5.000000MHz in steps of 1Hz Sinewave only: 5MHz to 20MHz in steps of 1Hz |
| Frequency Stability | (internal reference) 2ppm, 0 to 50°C, 2ppm/year |
| Relative Freq. Accuracy | \pm 0.2 ppm ratiometric frequency error referred to Internal Reference Oscillator or External Reference Input |
| Noise | < 0.2mV rms with 10MHz Bandwidth; < 0.75mV rms with 1000MHz Bandwidth |
| Jitter | < 0.005% of waveform period + 100 ps (sine); < 0.05% of waveform period + 100 ps (others) |
| Protection | Output overloads greater than \pm 150mA cause opening of output relay. Safe voltage is greater than \pm 15V on the output connector. |
| Isolation | Common Mode voltages to at least 42V can be applied to the output connector. |

Trigger

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Source | Manual, External, Bus |
| Modes | Free Run, Counted Burst, Gated, Start, Stop, Start/Stop |

Sine Wave

| | |
|---------------------------|---|
| Frequency Range | 0.001 Hz to 20 MHz |
| Amplitude Flatness | \pm 0.1 dB dc to 100 kHz \pm 0.2 dB 100 kHz to 1 MHz \pm 0.3 dB 1 MHz to 20 MHz |
| Harmonic Distortion | -70dBc to 20kHz -65dBc to 100kHz -55dBc to 1MHz -25dBc to 20MHz |
| Phase Range | \pm 360° in 0.1° increments |
| Phase Accuracy | \pm 1.0° dc to 100 kHz |

Triangle and Ramp

| | |
|----------------------------|---|
| Frequency Range | 0.001 Hz to 5 MHz |
| Nonlinearity | \pm 0.05% @ dc to 10 kHz; \pm 0.5% @ 10 kHz to 1 MHz; \pm 2.0% @ 1 MHz to 5 MHz (10% to 90% on waveform) |
| Ringing | < 0.1% up to 10 kHz < 0.2% up to 5 MHz |
| Triangle Symmetry | User adjustable from 5% to 95% in 0.1% steps; 50nS min. risetime |
| Triangle Delay Range | \pm 1 period in steps of 0.1nS to 0.1mS, depending on frequency selected |

Square and Pulse

| | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Frequency Range | 0.001Hz to 5MHz |
| Pulse Polarity | Positive with zero volt baseline |
| Duty Cycle | Adjustable from 5% to 95% in 0.1% steps (50ns minimum risetime restriction) |
| Delay Range | ± 1 waveform period in steps of 0.1 ns to 0.1 ms, depending on the frequency selected |
| Rise Time | 15ns from 0.001Hz to 1.47Hz 10 μ s from >1.47Hz to 1kHz 1 μ s from >1kHz to 10kHz 50 ns from >10kHz to 5 MHz 16 ns in Fast Square Wave (FSQR) (typ.) |
| Overshoot and Ringing | < 0.1% up to 10kHz; < 0.2% up to 5 MHz |

Noise Function

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Amplitude Range | 1 mV to 1.8V rms in steps of 1 μ V to 1 mV (no load) |
| Noise Spectral Distribution | Pseudo random with the ability to set number of spectral lines. |
| Amplitude Distribution | Approaches Gaussian with zero mean, depending on the selected noise record size. |

Modulation and Sweeps

| | |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Modulation Types | AM DSB, DSB SC, AM SSB, SSB SC, FM, Φ M, Exponential Decay, Sinx/x |
| Carrier Range | 1.470Hz to 20 MHz |
| Modulation Rate | 1.470Hz to Carrier Frequency |
| Modulation Span | (Within 20-MHz bandwidth) AM: 0.0% to 200.0% FM: lesser of \pm carrier/2 or ± 2 MHz PM: ± 7200 degrees |
| Envelope Distortion | AM: <1% |
| Exponential Decay Envelope | t^2e^{-at} envelope defined by peak time, duration |
| Sinx/x Envelope | Defined by bandwidth, repetition rate |
| External Modulation | 0 to 40% AM |
| Sweeps | Linear and log |

Combined Waveforms

| | |
|---|---|
| Up to 4 standard functions can be summed or used in modulation. | |
| Carrier | Any standard function |
| Modulator | Summation of up to 3 standard functions |
| Modulation Type | AM, FM, or PM |
| Postmodulation Summation | Up to 2 standard functions |

Arbitrary Waveforms

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Maximum Clock Rate | 50MHz, 5MHz, or 384kHz internal; 25 MHz external |
| Waveform Length | 2k to 256k points |

Waveform Library

Fast Square Wave, sine cubed, sinx/x, RC lowpass/highpass filtered square wave

General

| | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Non-volatile Memory | Over 50 instrument setups |
| Battery Type | Lithium BR2030 |
| Rear Panel Inputs | Trigger, Ext. Clock/Reference, Ext. Modulation (AM) |
| Rear Panel Outputs | Function, 10 MHz Reference, Sync/Marker |
| Multi-unit Frequency Sync | Within 0.4 ppm |
| Interfaces | RS-232 and IEEE-488 |
| Operating Temperature | 0 to 50°C |
| Storage Temperature | -40 to 70°C |
| Power | < 30W, 100/120/220/240 Vac $\pm 15\%$, 50/60 Hz Safety Class I to VDE 0411 (IEC348) |
| Dimensions | 216 mm (8.5 in) W; 132 mm (5.2 in) H; 429 mm (16.9 in) D |
| Weight | 6 kg (13 lb) |
| Mechanical Stress | Shock tested to MIL STD 810D, 40g; Vibration tested to DIN IEC 68-2--6, 5 to 55 Hz (sine) 4g rms, 80 to 300 Hz (random) |

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