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## SECTION 1. GENERAL DESCRIPTION

1-1. GENERAL. The Keithley Models 108 and 109 are small, 12 -ounce Xl0 gain amplifiers. The Model 108 is tuned for a wideband frequency response; the Model 109 is tuned for pulse response. (See Figures 9 and 10 for illustrations of the two responses.) Both Models require an external power supply, preferably the Keithley Model 1081 Power Supply, which can drive up to three of these units at one time.
a. The Model 108 bandwidth is from 1 kc to $180 \mathrm{Mc}(-3 \mathrm{db})$. Response from 2.5 kc to 150 Mc is flat $\pm 0.5 \mathrm{db}$. Voltage gain is $10(20 \mathrm{db})$ when terminated into a 50 -ohm load. Up to four Model 108 Amplifiers may be cascaded for gains to 10,000 , or one may be used with other amplifiers to increase total gain by 10 . The input impedance is 50 ohms. Noise is less than 30 microvolts rms referred to the input.
b. The Model 109 Pulse Amplifier has a rise time of less than 3 nanoseconds ( $10 \%$ to $90 \%$ ). Overshoot is less than $2 \%$, pulse width for a $10 \%$ droop is 30 microseconds. Other specifications are the same as for the Model 108. Four Pulse Amplifiers may be cascaded for gains to 10,000 , or one may be used with other amplifiers to increase total gain by 10 .

1-2. MODELS 108, 109 DIFFERENCES.
a. The Models 108 and 109 differ only in their tuning. The circuits and the parts are identical. Most of the Instruction Manual applies to both units. Where there are differences - such as application suggestions and calibration - the models are identified.
b. Specifications and operations in this Manual assume using the Keithley Model 1081 Power Supply to power the Amplifier. It is recommended that this Power Supply be used to obtain the maximum benefit from the Amplifier.


FIGURE 1. Keithley Instruments Model 108 Wideband Amplifier.


FIGURE 2. Keithley Instruments Model 109 Pulse Amplifier.

1-3. SPECIFICATIONS.

Frequency ${ }^{1}$ : $\quad-3 \mathrm{db}$

Rise Time ${ }^{2}$ ( $10 \%$ to $90 \%$ )
Overshoot ${ }^{3}$
Pulse Width for $10 \%$ Droop:
Input Impedance:
Voltage Gain (into 50 -ohm characteristic impedance)

Maximum rms Noise ${ }^{4}$ :
Maximum Output (into 50-ohm characteristic impedance)

Maximum Overload:

Overload Recovery ${ }^{6}$
Delay Time ${ }^{7}$
Change in Output Amplitude for a $10 \%$ Line Voltage Change (when powered by Model 1081):

Model 108 (when powered by the Model 1081 Power Supply)

Model 109 (when powered by

1 kc and 180 Mc
2.5 kc to 150 Mc

Less than 3 nanoseconds
50 ohms
$10(20 \mathrm{db})$
$\pm 2 \%$ at 10 kc
30 microvolts (7 db)
1.4 volts peak-to-peak
ac, 20 volts peak ${ }^{5}$
dc, 2.5 volts
Less than 50 nanoseconds
Less than 5 nanoseconds

Less than $\pm 0.1 \%$
the Model 1081 Power Supply)

Less than 3 nanoseconds
Less than $2 \%$
30 microseconds

50 ohms
$10(20 \mathrm{db})$
$\pm 2 \%$ at 10 kc
30 microvolts (7 db)
1.4 volts peak-to-peak
ac, 20 volts peak ${ }^{5}$
dc, 2.5 volts
Less than 50 nanoseconds
Less than 5 nanoseconds

Less than $\pm 0.1 \%$

Notes:

1) db variations add when amplifiers are cascaded.
2) Maximum rise time for 3 amplifiers in cascade is less than 4 nanoseconds.
3) Overshoot for amplifiers in cascade is $3 \%$ or less.
4) Noise referred to input measured from 10 cps to 100 Mc . Noise of cascaded amplifiers is equal to noise of first amplifier only.
5) Continuous input power should not exceed $1 / 8$ watt.
6) Using a 100 X overload test pulse 100 nanoseconds wide with 5 -nanosecond fall time to within $1 \%$ of base line. A shorter pulse duration, a slower fall time or less overload shortens recovery time.
7) Delay times add when amplifiers are cascaded.

CONNECTORS: Input and Output: $n$ type. Power: Amphenol 126-214
POWER: +16 volts. dc and -12 volts $d c$; or 28 volts dc floating; $\pm 5 \%$ accuracy; $50 \mathrm{milliam}-$ peres current ( 1.4 watts); $\pm 0.1 \%$ stability; $2-m i l l i v o l t$ peak-to-peak maximum ripple; 100microfarad filter from each power terminal to ground.

DIMENSIONS, WEIGHT: 3 inches high $\times 2-1 / 4$ inches wide $x 3-3 / 4$ inches deep; net weight, 12 o:
ACCESSORIES SUPPLIED: Mating power connector; mating input and output connectors.

## 1-4. APPLICATIONS.

a. The Model 108 Wideband Amplifier is used as a general laboratory pre-amplifier in audio, radar, IF, TV and VHF work. It can be used with all types of oscilloscopes. Its low noise permits amplification of signals in the microvolt region at low and high irequencies. Because of its small size, it can be designed into other equipment.
b. The Model 109 Pulse Amplifier is designed to amplify non-sinusoidal wave forms with a fast rise time, minimum overshoot and minimum ringing. Common applications include use with oscilloscopes, high-speed counters, pulse-height analyzers and photo multipliers.

1-5. ACCESSORIES. Refer to Section 6 for complete descriptions of the following dmplifier accessories.
a. Model 1081 Power Supply can power one, two or three Model 108 or 109 Amplifiers. The Power Supply operates from 105-125 or 210-250 volt, 50-400 cps line sources; power rating is 12 watts. Its dimensions are the same as the Amplifiers; net weight is $1-1 / 2$ pounds.
b. Model 1042 Accessory Kit provides useful adapters, terminations and tee for use with the Amplifier. The Kit accessories, contained in a convenient case, are described in Section 6 .
c. Model 1082 Mounting Plate adapts the Amplifiers and the Model 1081 for mounting to another surface.
d. Model 1083 Cáole allows using the Models 108 and 109 with the Keithley Models 106 and 107 Amplifiers.


FIGURE 3. Model 1081 Power Supply Used with Three Model 109 Pulse Amplifiers. The Supply will power 1,2 or 3 Amplifiers. See Sedtion 6 for the Power Supply description.

1-6. EQUIPMENT SHIPPED. The Models 108 and 109 are factory-calibrated and are shipped with all components in place. All units are shipped for bench use. The shipping carton contains the Instruction Manual, a mating power connector and mating input and output plugs.

## SECTION 2. OPERATION

## 2-1. TERMINALS.

a. INPUT and OUTPUT Receptacles. INPUT (front panel) and OUTPUT (rear panel) Receptacles are n-type. Input impedance is 50 ohms. N-type connectros are used for their better impedance characteristics and less leakage at higher frequencies than other popular connectors.
b. POWER Socket. The POWER Socket is a 4-pin connector. It is compatible with the power cable supplied with the Model 1081 Power Supply. Schematic Diagram 17971 D shows the pin connections and voltages (refer to Jlo3).

2-2. OPERATING PROCEDURES.
a. No control settings or preliminary adjustments are needed to operate either Amplifier. Both can be used immediately after they are connected to the Model 1081 Power Supply.

NOTE

The Amplifiers have n-type receptacles (Mil. No. 680/U). The Model 1042 Accessory Kit contains adapters to connect other type plugs to the Amplifier. Section 6 describes the Kit.
b. Connect the Power Supply and associated equipment, such as an oscilloscope, on the same power line to avoid ac ground loops. Otherwise, the output signal from the Amplifier may tend to be modulated by the ground loops. To further minimize ground loops, it may be necessary to use isolation plugs on power line plugs of the Power Supply and the associated equipment. If a power supply other than the Model 1081 is used, put $100-\mu f$ filter capacitors from + and - to ground.
c. Use coaxial cables for connections, especially if working above 1 Mc . Up to six feet of coaxial cable may be used on the Amplifier input and up to 12 feet on the output, if the output cable is terminated with 50 ohms. Longer cables may be used, but the Amplifier may not meet the flatness or overshoot specifications. A1l cables used must have a 50 -ohm characteristic impedance.

NOTE
The Model 109 has no phase reversal on pulse. If the pulse is positive at the input, it is positive at the output. If it is negative at the input, it is negative at the output.

## 2-3. CASCADING.

a. Up to four Amplifiers may be cascaded


FIGURE 4. Amplifier Cable Connections. Maximum recommended cable length to input is six feet; from output, 12 feet. If longer cables are used, the specified flatness or overshoot may not be achieved. Use only coaxial cables.
together for gains of 100,1000 , or 10,000 . 1.4 volts peak-to-peak into a 50 -ohm load. Higher outputs exceed the limits of the amplifier stages and distortions will result. A bandpass filter is recommended for $10,000-$ gain hookups to reduce the noise level.

The final Amplifier output should not exceed Higher outputs exceed the limits of the am-
A bandpass filter is recommended for $10,000-$

## NOTE

When using the 108 or 109 with the 106 or 107 , use the 1083 cable for connection into the 106 and 107 power outlet.
b. Use the n -type male-to-male adapter from the Model 1042 Kit to cascade Amplifiers directly to each other. The Model 108 may also be used in cascade with the Keithley Models 104 and 106 Amplifiers. The Model 109 may also be used in cascade with the Models 105 and 107 Amplifiers.

2-4. GAINS OTHER THAN $10,100,1000$ AND 10,000 . For gains in between the cascaded values, use attenuator pads in series with the Amplifier. When two Amplifiers are cascaded, use the attenuator pad on the last Amplifier OUTPUT Receptacle for input signals below 15 millivolts peak-to-peak for the best signal-to-noise ratio. For example, a l-millivolt rms input signal is amplified 20 times ( 26 db ) using a $14-\mathrm{db}$ attenuator pad on the last Amplifier output. Maximum input noise of each amplifier is 30 microvolts rms. Noise at the last output is 3 millivolts rms. When the noise is attenuated five times through the $14-\mathrm{db}$ pad, its level is 0.6 millivolt rms. Signal-to-noise ratio is approximately 28:1. If the $14-\mathrm{db}$ attenuator pad were used at the first Amplifier input, the output noise would be 3 millivolts rms. Signal-to-noise ratio would be approximately 6:1, or four times worse than previously.

2-5. OPEN CIRCUIT OPERATION. The specified Amplifier gain is into a 50 -ohm load. The gain changes for an open circuit. Output impedance is approximately five ohms below 10 megacycles, increasing as the frequency increases. Below 10 megacycles, therefore, the gain into an open circuit is approximately 10.5 to 11 . Above 10 megacycles, the gain increases to approximately 18 ( 25 db ) at 150 megacycles. The Amplifier will not oscillate into an open circuit at any frequency, although standing waves become apparent at the higher frequencies. The magnitude of the waves depends directly on cable length and frequency.

2-6. AMPLIFIER NOISE. The main sources of noise are the transistors and any power supply ripple. Since all noise is referred to the input, the output noise will be the amplifier input noise times the amplifier gain (10). The noise is measured at the output and referred back to the input. When two Amplifiers are cascaded, the noise of the second amplifier is not significant because noise adds as the square root of the sum of the squares.

## 2-7. RISE TIME.

a. The rise time is defined as the time needed for a signal to rise from $10 \%$ to $90 \%$ of its final value. Specifically, for amplifiers, rise time is the time needed for the amplifier to go from $10 \%$ to $90 \%$ of the final value of the input signal


FIGURE 5. Models 108 and 109 Gain Linearity The gain linearity falls within the limits shown above from 2.5 kc to 150 Mc .
times the amplifier gain. Rise time is measured only with a pulse whose rise time is faster than the amplifier's. When amplifiers are cascaded, the rise times add in quadrature (square root of the sum of the squares).
b. The slight overshoot of a very high frequency pulse can be eliminated in the Model 108 by detuning the high-frequency response slightly. The Model 108 is tuned for maximum gain flatness for a continuous signal. The Model 109 is already tuned for minimum overshoot.

2-8. DELAY TIME. Delay time is the transit time taken by a signal to go from the amplifier input to output. Because delay times are a physical constant, they add for cascaded amplifiers.

2-9. GROUND LOOPS. A common source of errors when amplifying low-level signals is ground loops. This is a current - line or other frequency - flowing in a ground lead impedance, which results in a voltage in addition to the desired signal voltage appearing at the input terminals of the amplifier. Although the origin and mechanism of ground loops are difficult to explain and trace, their effects can be reduced in several ways.
a. Make all ground lead impedances as low as possible.
b. Employ only coaxial hookups wherever possible.

2-10. STRAY FIELDS. Stray fields can induce unwanted emf's in the test system. The inaccuracies duc to these fields become more significant as measurements become more sensitive. Induced emf's may be reduced by using coaxial cable having minimum loop area and by using cables of minimum length.

## SECTION 3. CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION

## 3-1. GENERAL.

a. Both Amplifiers are of conventional RC-coupled cascade design, using negative feedback. There is no inductive peaking. The wide bandwidth is achieved by using selected epitaxial mesa transistors with a l-gigacycle $f_{t}$.
b. Careful circuit design allows for maximum performance. Point-to-point wiring minimizes lead inductance. Silver plating on the chassis eliminates ground loops and reduces resistance due to skin effect at high frequencies. Using solid-state components, hermetically sealed tantalum capacitors and metal film resistors insures excellent stability and long, trouble-free operation.

NOTE
Refer to Schematic Diagram 17971D at the back of the Manual for circuit designations.

3-2. AMPLIFIER DESIGN, Each Amplifier uses three high-frequency transistors, two in common emitter cascade configuration and the third being an emitter follower for the output. A high negative feedback loop is used for gain stability.
a. The input is shunted by a 50 -ohm metal film resistor (R102), compensated for a nominal 50 -ohm input impedance across the band. The input signal is applied to transistor Q101. Transistors Q101 and Q102 amplify the signal and apply it to the emitter follower, transistor Q103, which provides low output impedance and higher power capabilities than the amplifier stages.
b. The feedback loop for the two amplifier stages is through resistor R116 and capacitor Cllo. The output of transistor Q102 is divided by resistor R116 and the network, resistors R109, R110 and R111. Potentiometer R111 adjusts the gain at the lower frequencies. Trimmers C103, C112, C115 and C118 adjust the feedback at higher frequencies, since the divider becomes pri-


FIGURE 6. Basic Amplifier Stage. The diagram shows the stage design used in the 2 stage amplifier. Resistors $R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$ and the collector bias voltage drop provide a bias voltage divider, which stabilizes the base voltage. Resistor $\mathrm{R}_{1}$ supplies dc feedback. To eliminate degeneration caused by the ac feedback, $R_{1}$ is divided into two parts, $R_{1 a}$ and $R_{1 b}$. Capacitor $C_{b p}$ bypasses the ac from the midpoint to ground. marily capacitive.
c. Each stage uses dc feedback from collector to base. The feedback loop for the first stage, transistor Q101, consists of two resistors, R105 and R106. Capacitor Cl05 is at the midpoint between the two 2.2-kilohm resistors to eliminate ac feedback. Resistors R114 and R115 and capacitor C108 provide the same function for transistor Q102.

## SECTION 4. SERVICING

4-1. GENERAL. Section 4 contains the maintenance and troubleshooting procedures for the Models 108 and 109. Follow these as closely as possible to maintain the instrument's specifications.

4-2. SERVICING SCHEDULE. The Models 108 and 109 require no periodic maintenance bevond the normal care required of high-quality electronic equipment. Occasional checks of the frequency or pulse response of the Amplifier should show the need for any adjustment. No part should need frequent replacement under ordinary use.

## 4-3. PARTS REPLACEMENT.

a. The Replaceable Parts List in Section 7 describes the electrical components of the Amplifiers. Replace components only as necessary. Use only reliable replacements which meet the specifications. Check the frequency or pulse response after any transistor is replaced.
b. The transistors are selected for parameters which allow wide frequency response. Order these parts only from Keithley Instruments, Inc., or its representatives.

## NOTE

Physical location of components greatly affects high frequency response. Put replaced parts and their leads in their exact previous position.

## 4-4. TROUBLESHOOTING.

a. The procedures which follow give instructions for repairing troubles which might occur in the Models 108 and 109 . Use the procedures outlined and use only specified replacement parts. Make sure the external circuits are checked. Table lists equipment recommended for troubleshooting. If the trouble cannot be located or repaired, contact the nearest Keithley representative.
Instrument
Use

Keithley Instruments Model 121 True RMS Measures ac voltages
Voltmeter
Keithley Model 153 DC Microvolt-Ammeter,
Measure dc voltages
$3 \%$ accuracy, 20 megohm input resistance
Simpson Models 260 and 650 Transistor Check transistors
Beta Testers
Tektronix Type 504 Oscilloscope, passband Observe wave forms
dc to 450 kc

TABLE 1. Equipment Recommended for Troubleshooting. Use these instruments or their equivalents.

| Trouble | Probable Cause | Remedy |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amplifier will not operate | Faulty transistor | Check Q101, Q102, Q103; replace if faulty |
| Noise with Amplifier exceeds 30 microvolts rms | Faulty transistor | Check Q101, Q102, Q103; replace if faulty |
|  | Excessive ripple from power supply | ```Check power supply. Check filters C101, C106, C116, C122, C123 and C124.``` |
| Gain is more or less than 10 | Potentiometer R111 out of adjustment | Adjust R111 per paragraph 5-3 |
| Model 108 frequency <br> response not flat within <br> specifications | Amplifier out of calibration | Calibrate per paragraph 5-4 |
| Model 109 exceeds overshoot specification | Amplifier out of calibration | Calibrate per paragraph 5-5 |
| Rise time of Amplifier not within specification | Amplifier out of calibration | Adjust Model 108 per paragraph 5-4, Model 109 per paragraph 5-5 |
| Input impedance not 50 ohms | Faulty R102 or C102 | Check R102 and C102; replace if faulty |

TABLE 2. Models 108 and 109 Troubleshooting. Refer to paragraph 4-4, b, before troubleshooting the Amplifier.
b. Before troubleshooting the Amplifier, check the external circuits, especially the power supply. Make sure the Amplifier output is terminated into a good 50 -ohm load. Check the coaxial cables and connections. Check the performance of the signal generator and other instruments. (The Amplifier will faithfully amplify any signal fed to it; a poor input results in a poor output.) Make sure the output signal does not exceed 1.4 volts peak-to-peak. If the external circuits are good, check the Amplifier itself.
c. Table 2 contains troubles which might occure with the instrument. If the repairs indicated in the table do not clear up the trouble, continue to search through a circuit-by-circuit check. Refer to the circuit description in Section 3 to find the more crucial components and to determine their function in the circuit. The complete circuit schematic diagram, 17971D, is in Section 7.
d. If the instrument will not operate, check the power source. If it is satisfactory, continue to isolate the trouble.
e. The Schematic Diagram indicates the transistor terminal voltages referenced to chassis ground. Measure the dc voltages to $-10 \%$ of indicated value with a dc voltmeter.

## SECTION 5. CALIBRATION

5-1. GENERAL.
a. The following procedures are recommended for calibrating and adjusting the Models 108 and 109. Use the equipment recommended in Table 3. If proper facilities are not available or if difficulty is encountered, contact Keithley Instruments, Inc., or its representative to arrange for factory calibration.
b. Three calibrations are in the procedures: low-frequency calibration, high-frequency wideband calibration and pulse calibration. In addition, paragraph 5-6 outlines test procedures to check response.
c. If the instrument is not within specifications after the calibration, follow the troubleshooting procedures or contact Keithley Instruments, Inc., or its representative.

## Instrument

General Radio GR-874 type attenuators, $3 \mathrm{db}, 6 \mathrm{db}, 10 \mathrm{db}$ and 20 db

General Radio GR-874-WM50 50-ohm termination (also found in Keithley Instruments Model 1042 Accessory Kit)

Hewlett-Packard Model 202A Audio Oscillator, 20 cps to $40 \mathrm{kc}, \pm 2 \%$

Jarrold Electronics Mode1 900-B Sweep Signal Generator (includes Model D50 Detector), 500 kc to 1200 Mc

Keith1ey Instruments Model 121 True RMS Voltmeter

Tee and adapters (found in Keithley Instruments Model 1042 Accessory Kit)

Tektronix Type 111 Pulse Generator, $0.5-n \sec$ rise time, 2 to $20-n s e c$ pulse duration

Tektronix Type 504 Oscilloscope, passband from dc to 450 kc

Tektronix Type 561A Oscilloscope, with dual trace plug-in sampling units, 0.4 nsec rise time

High frequency calibration

Amplifier termination

Signal generator for low-frequency calibration

Signal generator for Model 108 band response

Measure ac voltages

Hook up calibration circuits

Check Model 109 pulse response

Check wave form during tuning and view sweep display of Model 108

View Model 109 pulse response

TABLE 3. Equipment Recommended for Models 108 and 109 Calibration. Use these instruments or their equivalents.

5-2. CALIBRATION SCHEDULE. Check the Amplifier response yearly or when transistors are changed. Refer to paragraph 5-4 (Model 108) or 5-5 (Model 109) for procedures; recalibrate completely if the response is not correct. Always recalibrate the high-frequency gain if the low-frequency gain is adjusted.

5-3. MODELS 108, 109 LOW-FREQUENCY CALIBRATION
a. Remove the Amplifier cover by removing the four screws. Connect the Amplifier to the Model 1081 Power Supply.

| Control | Circuit Desig. | Fig. Ref. | Refer to Paragraph |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| High Frequency | C103 | 14 | $\begin{aligned} & 5-4(108) \\ & 5-5(109) \end{aligned}$ |
|  | C112 | 14 |  |
|  | $\mathrm{Cl15}$ | 14 |  |
|  | C118 | 12 |  |
| Low Frequency | R111 | 14 | 5-3 |

TABLE 4. Models 108, 109 Internal Controls. The Table lists all internal controls, the figure picturing the location, and the paragraph describing the adjustment.
b. Connect the Model 202A Oscillator to the Amplifier INPUT. Adjust the oscillator signal for 50 millivolts mms at 10 kc . Connect the Model 121 Voltmeter, Type 504 Oscilloscope and 50 -ohm termination to the Amplifier OUTPUT. The output signal should be 500 millivolts rms ${ }^{\ddagger} 10 \mathrm{millivolts} .\mathrm{Adjust} \mathrm{potentiometer} \mathrm{R111} \mathrm{(Figure} \mathrm{14)} ,\mathrm{if} \mathrm{necessary}$, this output.
c. Monitor the output signal on the oscilloscope and check for distortion.

## NOTE

The low-frequency calibration establishes the base for the high-frequency response. Therefore, tune the Amplifier at the high frequencies after tuning it at the low frequencies.

5-4. MODEL 108 HIGH-FREQUENCY CALIBRATION.
a. Remove the Amplifier by removing the four screws. Connect the Amplifier to the Model 1081 Power Supply. Connect the Model 900-B Sweep Generator to the Amplifier INPUT direct-
1y. See Figure 7. Connect the Amplifier OUTPUT to the Model D50 Detector.
b. Adjust the generator signal to 50 millivolts rms and center the frequency at 100 megacycles. Adjust the oscilloscope for a vertical display of $5 \% / \mathrm{cm}$.


FIGURE 7. Block Diagram for Mode1 108 High-Frequency Calibration. Refer to Table 3 for equipment.

## NOTE

Use only an insulated alignment tool in adjusting the trimmers. Dc biases are present across trimmer C118, and a screwdriver would short out the biases and possibly damage transistor Q102.
c. The low-frequency gain should be previously set (paragraph 5-3). Set trimmers Cl03, C112 and C115 (Figure 14) to their minimum values. Set trimmer C118 (Figure 12) to minimum by noting when the lowest high-frequency response curve appears on the oscilloscope. Set trimmer C115 to approximately $1 / 3$ of maximum to keep the Amplifier from oscillating into an open circuit at high frequencies. Set trimmer Clo3 near its maximum. Set trimmer C112 to approximately $1 / 2$ maximum. The response should rise at about 50 to 100 Mc .
d. Increase trimmer Cll8, watching the response curve on the oscilloscope. When the response looks like a straight line - either rising or descending - stop adjusting C118. Adjust trimmer Cll2 to bring the high end up or down to the proper gain level. If the mid-range gain (between 50 and 100 Mc ) is not flat, alternate adjusting trimmers Clos and C118 until the response is flat. If necessary, re-adjust trimmer c112 to bring the high end in perfectly. Response should be flat to at least 150 Mc (refer to Figure 9).
e. Insert a $3-\mathrm{db}$ pad and re-adjust the oscilloscope for a vertical of $5 \% / \mathrm{cm}$. Check for a response of $5 \%$. Using the oscilloscope vertical position control, put the display trace on a reference line. Remove the $3-\mathrm{db}$ pad. The 180 -megacycle point should be above the previously set reference line.

## 5-5. MODEL 109 HIGH-FREQUENCY CALIBRATION.

a. Remove the Amplifier cover by removing the four screws. Connect the Amplifier to the Model 1081 Power Supply.
b. Connect the Type 111 Pulse Generator to the Sampling Oscilloscope. Use attenuators (approximately 26 db ) to adjust for a 0.7 -volt peak pulse on the oscilloscope. Use the delay cable on the pulse generator to adjust the pulse width to approximately 20 nanoseconds. Set the oscilloscope horizontal sweep to 5 nanoseconds/cm and the vertical sensitivity to 200 millivolts/cm. If necessary, use the pretrigger output of the pulse generator to synchronize the oscilloscope. Note the amount of overshoot and the shape on the pulse's leading edge.

## NOTE

The Amplifier is being calibrated at maximum output. Do not put in larger pulses than specified. This will cause overshooting and result in an improperly calibrated amplifier.
c. Add a tee (included in the Model 1042 Kit) and $20-\mathrm{db}$ attenuator; connect the pulse generator to the Amplifier INPUT. See Figure 8. Connect the Amplificr OUTPUT to the oscilloscope's other vertical input. Note the oscilloscope has 50 -ohm input impedance, which terminates the Amplifier output.

NOTE
Use only an insulated alignment tool to adjust the trimmers. Dc biases are present across trimmer Cll8, and a screwdriver would short out the biases and possibly damage transistor Q102.


FIGURE 8. Block Diagram for Mode1 109 High-Frequency Calibration. Refer to Table 3 for equipment.
d. The low-frequency gain should be previously set (paragraph 5-3). Set trimmers Cl03, C112 and C115 (Figure 14) and C118 (Figure 12) to their minimum values. Set trimmer C115 to approximately $1 / 3$ of its maximum value. Adjust trimmers Cl03 and C112 so that the output pulse looks exactly like the input pulse (Figure 11). If the input pulse has less than $1 \%$ overshoot and ringing, adjust trimmers C103 and C112 for less than $1 \%$ overshoot and ringing on the output pulse. Keep trimmer C118 at its minimun value.
e. Increase the oscilloscope sensitivity to 5 millivolts/cm and view the pulse tops. Slight adjustments of trimer C115 may be necessary to make the output pulse exactly like the input pulse, except for the rise time.

5-6. LOW-FREQUENCY RESPONSE CHECK. Connect the Model 202A Oscillator to the Amplifier INPUT. Adjust the oscillator signal to 50 millivolts rms at 10 kc . Use the Model 121 Voltmeter to monitor the Amplifier output. Terminate the output into 50 ohms. The output voltage at 10 kc should be $500 \mathrm{millivolts} \mathrm{rms} \pm 2 \%$. Gradually decrease the signal frequency. The output amplitude should not vary more than $5 \%$ until 2.5 kc .


FIGURE 9. Models 108 and 109 Bandwidth Characteristics. The Model 108 is wideband tuned; the Model 109, pulse tuned. The response is from 0 cps (extreme left) to 240 Mc ; each pip represents 10 Mc . Display signal of 50 mv rms is from a sweep generator. The excellent flatness of the wideband amplifier is gained at the expense of overshoot and ringing on pulses.


FIGURE 10. Models 108 and 109 Overshoot Characteristics. The Model 108 is wideband tuned; the Model 109 , pulse tuned. The oscilloscope is set for 5 nsec/cm horizontal, $0.2 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{cm}$ vertical. The pulse amplifier has minimum pulse distortion at the expense of flatness (see Figure 9).


FIGURE Ll. Pulse Fidelity of Model 109 Pulse Amplifier. Note how the output pulse follows the input pulse.


FIGURE 12. Capacitor Locations. The INPUT Receptacle is at the top of the illustration. Both the Models 108 and 109 have the same component locations.



FIGURE 13. Resistor Locations. The INPUT Receptacle is at the top of the illustration. Both the Models 108 and 109 have the same component locations.

FIGURE 14 (left). Component Locations, Reverse Side. The INPUT Receptacle is at the top of the illustration. Both the Models 108 and 109 have the same component locations.

## SECTION 6. ACCESSORIES

6-1. MODEL 1081 POWER SUPPLY.
a. General. The Keithley Model 1081 Power Supply furnishes the power required for one, two or three Models 108 and 109 Amplifiers. No adjustment is necessary. Refer to Section 7 for the Power Supply Replaceable Parts List and Schematic Diagram.

## b. Specifications.

Output: As required for 1,2 or 3 Models 108 and 109 Amplifiers. 28 volts dc floating; $\pm 5 \%$ accuracy; 150 milliamperes current; $\pm 0.1 \%$ stability; 3-millivolt peak-to-peak maximum ripple.

Power Required: $105-125$ or $210-250$ volts, $50-400 \mathrm{cps}, 12$ watts.

Dimensions, Weight: 3 inches high x 2-1/4 inches wide $x 3-3 / 4$ inches deep; net weight, 1-1/2 pounds.

Accessories Supplied: Three Power Cables 3 feet long for connecting the Model 1081 to the Model 108 or 109 Amplifier.
c. Operation. Use the Power Cable to connect the Power Supply to the Amplifier. One, two or three Amplifiers can be connected at one time. Connect the Model 1081 to the power line. Snap the front panel slide switch on to turn the instrument on. No warm-up time or adjustment is necessary. For 234volt power sources, refer to Schematic Diagram 17966 C for rewiring the transformer.
d. Circuit. (Refer to Schematic Diagram 17966C.) The Model 1081 is relatively simple for its specifications. Unregulated voltage from the transformer, Tl, is rectified by diodes DlOl to D104 and filtered by capacitor Clol. The voltage is applied to transistor Q1, connected as a series regulator. The output is sampled by resistors Rl06 and R108 and compared to the voltage across zener reference diode D106. Any voltage difference is amplified by transistors Q2 and Q3, operating as a differential voltage amplifier, and applied to the series regulator. The fuse is in series with the output. If the Power Supply is overloaded, the fuse will blow. Ordinarily, the fuse will not blow, even if Amplifiers are connected or disconnected while the Power Supply is on.

6-2. MODEL 1042 ACCESSORY KIT. The Model 1042 Accessory Kit provides useful adapters, a 50 -ohm termination and a tee for use with the Amplifiers. The Kit case is 2 inches high x 12 inches wide $x 8$ inches deep with polyethylene-foam compartment: It weighs approximately three pounds.

6-3. MODEL 1082 MOUNTING PLATE. (Refer to Figure 16 for dimensions).
a. The Model 1082 enables a Model 108 , 109 or 1081 to be installed in a system. It provides a mounting surface for 0 . E. M. applications.
b. To mount an instrument on the Plate, remove the four feet from the Amplifier or Power Supply. Attach the Plate to the instrument with the No. 4 flathead screws. Make sure the screw heads are flush with the Plate to avoid interference. The Plate and instrument may be mounted to another surface in any desired position.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Item } \\ & \text { Fig. } 1.5 \end{aligned}$ | Description | Keithley <br> Part No. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 50-ohm Termination, General Radio Type 874 | CS-159 |
| 2 | Adapter, male $n$ to female uhf | CS-114 |
| 3 | Adapter, male $n$ to female bnc | CS-116 |
| 4 | Adapter, male $n$ to male $n$ | CS-158 |
| 5 | Adapter, male n to General Radio Type 874 | CS- 109 |
| 6 | Adapter, n -type tee | CS-1.57 |
| 7 | Adapter, male n to General Radio Type 874 | CS-109 |
| 8 | Adapter, male n to male n | CS-158 |
| 9 | Adapter, male $n$ to female bnc | CS-116 |
| 10 | Adapter, male $n$ to female uhf | CS-114 |

TABLE 5. Contents of Model 1042 Accessory Kit.


FIGURE 15. Model 1042 Accessory Kit. See Table 5 for contents.


FIGURE 16. Dimensions of the Model 1082 Mounting Plate.

## SECTION 7. REPLACEABLE PARTS

7-1. REPLACEABLE PARTS LIST. The Replaceable Parts List describes the components of the Models 108 and 109 Amplifiers and the Model 1081 Power Supply. Both Amplifiers use the same components. The List gives the circuit designation, the part description, a suggested manufacturer, the manufacturer's part number and the Keithley Part Number. The last column indicates the figure picturing the part. The name and address of the manufacturers listed in the 'Mfg. Code" column are in Table 7.

7-2. HOW TO ORDER PARTS.
a. For parts orders, include the instrument's model and serial number, the keithley Part Number, the circuit designation and a description of the part. All structural parts and those parts coded for Keithley manufacture (80164) must be ordered from Keithley Instruments, Inc., or its representive. In ordering a part not listed in the Replaceable Parts List, completely describe the part, its function and its location.
b. Order parts through your nearest Keithley representative or Sales Service Department, Keithley Instruments, Inc.

| amp | ampere | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{M} \text { or } \mathrm{meg} \\ & \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | mega $\left(10^{6}\right)$ or megohms milli ( $10^{-3}$ ) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CerT | Ceramic, Tubular | Mfg. | Manufacturer |
| CerTr | Ceramic Trimmer | Mil. No. | Military Type Number |
| Comp | Composition | MtF | Metal Film |
| CompV | Composition Variable | My | Mylar |
| DCb | Deposited Carbon | $\therefore$ | ohms |
| ETB | Electrolytic, Tubular | $p$ | pico ( $10^{-12}$ ) |
| ETT | Electrolytic, Tantalum |  |  |
|  |  | Ref. | Reference |
| f | farad |  |  |
| Fig. | Figure | ! | micro $\left(10^{-6}\right)$ |
| FT | Feed Through |  |  |
|  |  | v | volt |
| k | kilo ( $10^{3}$ ) | Var | Variable |
|  |  | w | watt |

TABLE 6. Abbreviations and Symbols.

MODELS 108, 109 REPLACEABLE PARTS LIST
(Refer to Schematic Diagram 17971D for circuit designations.)

## CAPACITORS

| Circuit <br> Desig. | Value | Rating | Type | Mfg. <br> Code | Mfg. <br> Part No. | Keithley <br> Part No. | Fig. Ref. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Cl01}$ | 500 pf | 500 v | FT | 71590 | MFT500 | C15-500P | 12 |
| C102 | $1.2 \mu \mathrm{f}$ | 20 v | ETT | 05397 | K1R2J20K | C80-1. 2M | 12 |
| C103 | 4.5-25 pf | 500 v | CerTr | 71590 | 822AZ | C76-4.5/25P | 14 |
| C104 | $1.2 \mu \mathrm{f}$ | 20 v | ETT | 05397 | K1R2J20K | C80-1. 2M | 12 |
| C105 | $1.2 \mu \mathrm{f}$ | 20 v | ETT | 05397 | K1R2J20K | C80-1.2M | 12 |
| C106 | 500 pf | 500 v | FT | 71590 | MFT500 | C15-500P | 12 |
| C107 | $1.2 \mu \mathrm{f}$ | 20 v | ETT | 05397 | K1R2J20K | C80-1. 2M | 12 |
| C108 | $1.2 \mu \mathrm{f}$ | 20 v | ETT | 05397 | K1R2J20K | C80-1.2M | 12 |
| C109 | $0.1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | 50 v | My | 84411 | 601 PE | C41-0.1M | 12 |
| C110 | $1.2 \mu \mathrm{f}$ | 20 v | ETT | 05397 | K1R2J20K | C80-1.2M | 1.2 |
| Cl11 | $1.2 \mu \mathrm{f}$ | 20 v | ETT | 05397 | K1R2J20K | C80-1. 2 M | 12 |
| C112 | 4.5-25 pf | 500 v | CerTr | 71590 | 822AZ | C76-4.5/25P | 14 |
| C113 | $0.1 \mu \mathrm{f}$ | 50 v | My | 84411 | 601 PE | C41-0.1M | 12 |
| C114 | 0.1 ¢f | 50 v | My | 84411 | 601 PE | C41-0.1M | 12 |
| C115 | 4.5-25 pf | 500 v | CerTr | 71590 | 822AZ | C76-4.5/25P | 14 |
| C116 | 500 pf | 500 v | FT | 71590 | MFT500 | C15-500P | 12 |
| C117 | 4.7 ¢ f | 20 v | ETT | 05397 | K4R7J20K | C80-4.7M | 12 |
| Cl18 | 1.5-3 pf | 500 v | CerTr | 71590 | 822DZ | C76-1.5/3P | 12 |
| C119 | 10 pf | 600 v | Cert | 71590 | TCZ | C77-10P | 12 |
| C120 | 10 pf | 600 v | CerT | 71590 | TCZ | C77-10P |  |
| C121 | 10 pf | 600 v | CerT | 71590 | TCZ | C77-10P | 12 |
| C122 | 500 pf | 500 v | FT | 71590 | MFT500 | C15-500P | 12 |
| C123 | 500 pf | 500 v | FT | 71590 | MFT500 | C15-500P | 12 |
| C124 | 500 pf | 500 v | FT | 71590 | MFT500 | C15-500P | 12 |


| Circuit <br> Desig. | Type | Number | Mfg. <br> Code | Keithley <br> Part No. | Fig. <br> Ref. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| D101 | Silicon | $1 N 3253$ | 02735 |  | 14 |
| D102 | Silicon | $1 N 3253$ | 02735 | RF-20 | 14 |

CONNECTORS

| Circuit |  | Mfg. | Keithley | Fig. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Desig. | Description | Code | Part No. | Ref. |

J101 Receptacle, $n$, INPUT, Mil. No. UG-680/U (Mfg. No. 82-811) 02660 CS-95

J102 Receptacle, n, OUTPUT, Mil. No. UG-680/U (Mfg. No. 82-811) 02660 CS-95

## CONNECTORS (Cont'd)

| Circuit | Description | Mfg. <br> Desig. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | | Keithley |
| :--- |
| Code |

(F) Plug, n, Mate of J101 and J102, Mil. No.
UG-536/U (Mfg. No. 309-34000) $\quad 002660$ CS-96

RESISTORS

| Circuit |  |  |  | Mfg. | Mfg, | Keithley <br> Desig. | Value |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

(F) Furnished accessory.

TRANSISTORS

| Circuit <br> Desig. | Number | Mfg. <br> Code | Keithley <br> Part No. | Fig. <br> Ref. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Q101 (108) | SM492-1 | 80164 | TG-17-5 | 14 |
| Q101 (109) | SM492-1 | 80164 | TG-17-3 | 14 |
| Q102 | SM492-1 | 80164 | TG-17-3 | 14 |
| Q103 (108) | SM492-1 | 80164 | TG-17-6 | 14 |
| Q103 (109) | SM492-1 | 80164 | TG-17-3 | 14 |

MODEL 1081. REPLACEABLE PARTS LIST
(Refer to Schematic Diagram 17966 C for circuit designations.)
CAPACITORS

| Circuit <br> Desig. | Value | Rating | Type | Mfg. <br> Code | Mfg. <br> Part | No. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | | Keithley |
| :--- |
| Part No. |$\quad$| Fig. |
| :--- |
| Ref. |


| Circuit |  |  | Mfg. | Keithley | Fig. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Desig. | Type | Number | Code | Part No. | Ref. |
| D101 | Silicon | 1N3253 | 02735 | RF-20 |  |
| D102 | Silicon | 1N3253 | 02735 | RF-20 |  |
| D103 | Silicon | 1N3253 | 02735 | RF-20 |  |
| D104 | Silicon | 1N3253 | 02735 | RF-20 |  |
| D105 | Zener | 1N709 | 12954 | DZ-21 |  |
| D106 | Zener | 1N935 | 04713 | DZ-7 |  |

MISCELIANEOUS PARTS

| Circuit <br> Desig. | Neon Pilot Lamp (Mfg. No. 2190) | Mfg. <br> Code | Keithley <br> Part No. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| DS1 | Nig. |  |  |
| Ref. |  |  |  |

## MISCELLANEOUS PARTS (Con't)

| Circuit Desig. | Description | Mfg. <br> Code | Keithley <br> Part No. | Fig. <br> Ref. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| -- | (F) Cables for J101 | 80164 | 18477 B |  |
| P1 | Cord Set, 6 feet (Mfg. No. 4638-13) | 93656 | $\mathrm{CO}-5$ |  |
| - | Cable Clamp (Mfg. No. SR-5P-1) | 28520 | CC-4 |  |
| S1 | Slide Switch, Power (Mfg. No. G326) | 79727 | SN-45 |  |
| T1 | Transformer | 80164 | TR-84 |  |

(F) Furnished Accessory

## RESISTORS

| Circuit <br> Desig. | Value | Rating | Type | Mfg. <br> Code | Mfg. <br> Part | Keithley <br> Part |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| No. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

TRANSISTORS

| Circuit <br> Desig. | Number | Mfg. <br> Code | Keithley <br> Part No. | Fig. <br> Ref. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Q1 | $2 N 1183 A$ | 02735 | TG-31 |  |
| Q2 | $2 N 1377$ | 01295 | TG-30 |  |
| Q3 | $2 N 1381$ | 01295 | TG-8 |  |

## MODEL 1083 REPLACEABLE PARTS LIST

Description
Modified Connector, 2 required
Keithley Part No.
18493 A
Connector, Body
CS-191
4 Pin Male Receptacle, mate of CS-163
4 Pin Female Receptacle, mate of CS-162
CS- 162
CS-1. 63

MODEL 1083 REPLACEABLE PARTS LIST ( $\mathrm{con}^{\prime} \mathrm{t}$ )

## Description

Keithley Part No.

Locking Ring, 2 required
Shielded Cable

CS-165
SC-25

01121 Allen-Bradley Corp. Millwaukee, Wis.

01295 Texas Instruments, Inc. Semiconductor-Components Division Dallas, Texas

01686 RCL Electronics, Inc. Riverside, N. J.

02660 Amphenol-Borg Electronics Corp. Broadview, Chicago, Illinois

02735 Radio Corp. of America Commerical Receiving Tube and Semiconductor Division Somerville, N. J.

04713 Motorola, Inc. Semiconductor Products Division Phoenix, Arizona

05397 Union Carbide Corp. Linde Division Kemet Dept. Cleveland, Ohio

07716 International Resistance Co. Burlington, Iowa

12954 Dickson Electronics Corp. Scottsdale, Ariz.

14655 Cornell-Dubilier Electric Corp. Newark, N. J.

| 28520 | Heyman Mfg. Co. Kenilworth, N. J. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 44655 | Ohmite Mfg. Co. Skokie, Ill. |
| 56289 | Sprague Electric Co. North Adams, Mass. |
| 71450 | CTS Corp. <br> Elkhart, Ind. |
| 71.590 | Centralab Division of Globe-Union, Inc. Milwaukee, Wis. |
| 72982 | Erie Technological Products, Inc. Erie, Pa. |
| 75915 | Littelfuse, Inc. Des Plaines, Ill. |
| 79727 | Continental-Wirt Electronics Corp. Philadelphia, Pa. |
| 80164 | Keithley Instruments, Inc. Cleveland, Ohio |
| 84411 | Good-All Electric Mfg. Co. Ogallala, Nebr. |
| 91802 | Industrial Devices, Inc. Edgewater, N. J. |
| 93656 | Electric Cord Co. Caldwell, N. J. |

TABLE 7. Code List of Suggested Manufacturers. (Based on Federal Supply Code for Manufacturers, Cataloging Handbook H4-1.)


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