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CALIBRATION PROCEDURE FOR ELECTRONIC COUNTER JOHN FLUKE, MODEL PM6681/656

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SECTION I IDENTIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION

1. Test Instrument Identification. This bulletin provides instructions for the calibration of Electronic Counter, John Fluke, Model PM6681/656. The manufacturer's manual was used as the prime data source in compiling these instructions. The equipment being calibrated will be referred to as the TI (test instrument) throughout this bulletin.

a. Model Variations. None.

b. Time and Technique. The time required for this calibration is approximately 2 hours, using the dc and low frequency technique.

2. Forms, Records, and Reports.

a. Forms, records and reports required for calibration personnel at all levels are prescribed by TB 750-25.

b. Adjustments to be reported are designated (R) at the end of the sentence in which they appear. When adjustments are in tables, the (R) follows the designated adjustment. Report only those adjustments made and designated with (R).

3. Calibration Description. TI parameters and performance applications which pertain to this calibration are in table 1.

Test instrument parameters	Performance specifications		
Time base:	Frequency: 10 MHz		
	Aging rate (after 48 hour warmup): $< 5 \times 10^{-10}$ per day		
	Aging rate (after 24 hour warmup): $< 1 \times 10^{-8}$ per month		
	Aging rate (after 24 hour warmup): $< 7.5 \times 10^{-8}$ per year		
	Line voltage variation (for 10% variation): $<5 \times 10^{-10}$		
Channel A and B sensitivity:	20 mV rms (-21 dBm), <100 MHz		
	30 mV rms (-21 dBm), 100 to 200 MHz		
	40 mV rms (-17 dBm), 200 to 250 MHz		
	60 mV rms (-11 dBm), >250 MHz		
Channel C sensitivity:	20 mV rms (-21 dBm), 150 to 300 MHz		
	10 mV rms (-27 dBm), 300 to 2500 MHz		
	20 mV rms (-21 dBm), 2500 to 2700 MHz		
Volt max/min	Range: -50 to +50 V dc		
	100 mV to 100 V pp (1 Hz to 100 MHz)		
	Accuracy:		
	5 V dc (1X) \pm (1% + 4 mV)		
	50 V dc (10X) $\pm (2\% + 40 \text{ mV})$		
	5 V pp (1X) <30 MHz \pm (6% + 4 mV)		
	5 V pp (1X) >30 MHz $\pm (25\% + 4 \text{ mV})$		
	50 V pp (10X) \pm (10% + 40 mV)		
Trig level outputs $\pm (5\% \text{ of output level} + 30 \text{ mV})$			

Table 1. Calibration Description

SECTION II EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

4. Equipment Required. Table 2 identifies the specific equipment to be used in this calibration procedure. This equipment is issued with Secondary Transfer Calibration Standards Set AN/GSM-286, AN/GSM-287, or AN/GSM-705. Alternate items may be used by the calibrating activity. The items selected must be verified to perform satisfactorily prior to use and must bear evidence of current calibration. The equipment must meet or exceed the minimum use specifications listed in table 2. The accuracies listed in table 2 provide a four-to-one ratio between the standard and TI.

5. Accessories **Required.** The accessories required for this calibration are common usage accessories, issued as indicated in paragraph **4** above, and are not listed in this calibration procedure.

		1
Common name	Minimum use specifications	Manufacturer and model (part number)
AUTOTRANSFORMER	Range: 105 to 125 V ac	General Radio, Type
AUTOTRANSFORMER	Accuracy: ±1%	W10MT3AS3 (7910809) or
	Accuracy. ±176	. , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
		Ridge, Model 9020A (9020A)
		or Ridge, Model 9020F (9020F)
CALIBRATOR	ACV: 1.416 to 6.372 Vrms @ 100 kHz	John Fluke, Model 5700A/CT
	DCV: 4 to 40 V dc	(p/o MIS-35947)
	Accuracy: ±.275%	
FREQUENCY DIFFERENCE	Range: 10 MHz	Tracor, Model 527E (MIS-
METER	Resolution: 1 part in 10 ⁻¹⁰ per day	10318)
MULTIMETER	Range: -5.15 to +12.1 V dc	John Fluke, Model 8840A/AF-
	Accuracy: ±0.2%	05/09 (AN/GSM-64D)
SIGNAL GENERATOR	Range: 1 MHz to 2 GHz	(SG-1207/U)
	Amplitude: -27 to -11 dBm	
	Accuracy: ±3%	
TIME/FREQUENCY	Frequency: 10 MHz	Autek Systems Corp. Model
WORKSTATION	Accuracy: 1.25 parts in 10 ⁻¹⁰ per day	620 (MIS-38946)
TUNABLE ACTIVE FILTER	50 kHz low pass	Krohn–Hite, Model 3940 (3940)
	Cutoff frequency accuracy $\pm 2\%$	

 Table 2. Minimum Specifications of Equipment Required

SECTION III CALIBRATION PROCESS

6. Preliminary Instructions

a. The instructions outlined in paragraphs **6** and **7** are preparatory to the calibration process. Personnel should become familiar with the entire bulletin before beginning the calibration.

b. Items of equipment used in this procedure are referenced within the text by common name as listed in table 2.

c. Unless otherwise specified, verify the result of each test and, whenever the test requirement is not met, take corrective action before continuing with the calibration. Adjustments required to calibrate the TI are included in this procedure. Additional maintenance information is contained in the manufacturer's manual for this TI.

d. Unless otherwise specified, all controls and control settings refer to the TI.

7. Equipment Setup

WARNING

HIGH VOLTAGE is used or exposed during the performance of this calibration. DEATH ON CONTACT may result if personnel fail to observe safety precautions. REDUCE OUTPUT(S) to minimum after each step within the performance check where applicable.

a. Remove protective cover from TI only when necessary to make adjustments. Replace cover after completing the adjustments.

b. Connect TI to autotransformer, connect autotransformer to a 115 V ac source and adjust for 115 V ac output.

c. Set **POWER** switch to **ON** and allow at least 1 hour for stabilization. If TI has been disconnected from line power for more than 48 hours, allow at least 48 hours for warmup before beginning calibration.

d. Disconnect any connections from inputs A and B.

e. Press keys as listed in (1) through (3) below:

- (1) **AUX MENU**.
- (2) **SELECT/SET**? ? to select **CAL HYSE**.
- (3) **ENTER**.

8. Time Base Stability

a. Performance Check

(1) Connect time/frequency workstation **OUTPUT 1 MHz** to frequency difference meter **REF INPUT**.

(2) Connect TI **10 MHz OUT** (rear panel) to frequency difference meter **SIG INPUT**.

(3) Adjust R4 (fig. 1) reference adjust for minimum difference indication on frequency difference meter.

(4) Allow at least 24 hours for stabilization. Frequency difference meter indication will remain within 5 parts in 10^{-10} .

(5) Adjust autotransformer output to 105 V and allow 15 minutes for stabilization. Verify that TI oscillator drift is less than 5 parts in 10^{-10} .

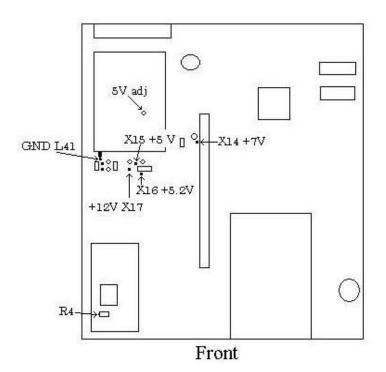


Figure 1. Top view.

(6) Adjust autotransformer output to 125 V and allow 15 minutes for stabilization. Verify that TI oscillator drift is less than 5 parts in 10^{-10} .

(7) Adjust autotransformer output to 115 V.

b. Adjustments. No further adjustments can be made.

9. Sensitivity

a. Performance Check

- (1) Set signal generator for a 1 MHz -21 dBm output with RF output off.
- (2) Press TI keys as listed in (a) and (b) below:
 - (a) LOCAL/PRESET.
 - (b) **INPUT A** and **INPUT B 50W/1MW** to select **50W**.

- (3) Connect signal generator **RF OUT** to TI **A** input.
- (4) Set the signal generator **RF OUT** to on.

(5) Verify that the TI indicates a stable display of the signal generator frequency as listed in table 3.

(6) Repeat technique of (1), (4) and (5) above for remaining settings listed in table

3.

	Table 3. Sensitivit	у.
Test instrument	Signal	generator
input	Amplitude (dBm)	Frequency (MHz)
Input A	-21	1
Input A	-21	50
Input A	-21	100
Input A	-17	200
Input A	-15	250
Input A	-11	300
Input B ¹	-21	1
Input B	-21	50
Input B	-21	100

¹Move the signal generator connection from TI input **A** to input **B**, and press **SWAP A**« **B** key.

(7) Move connection from TI input **B** to input **C**.

(8) Connect the signal generator **10 MHz Ref Out** to TI **REFERENCE IN** (rear panel).

(9) Press TI keys as listed in (a) through (c) below:

(a) **LOCAL/PRESET**.

- (b) **FUNCTION**? ? to select **FREQ** C.
- (c) **EXT REF**.

(10) Set signal generator for a 150 MHz -21 dBm output.

(11) Verify that the TI indicates a stable display of the signal generator frequency as listed in table 4.

(12) Repeat technique of (10) and (11) above for remaining settings listed in table 4.

Table 4. Input C Sensitivity.				
Test	Signal	generator		
instrument	Amplitude	Frequency		
input	(dBm)	(MHz)		
Input C	-21	150		
Input C	-21	200		
Input C	-27	500		
Input C	-27	1000		
Input C	-27	2000		

b. Adjustments No adjustments can be made.

10. Volts Maximum/Minimum

a. Performance Check

- (1) Make sure all cables are disconnected from inputs **A** and **B**.
- (2) Press TI keys as listed in (a) through g) below:
 - (a) LOCAL/PRESET.
 - (b) **INPUT A AC/DC** to **DC**.
 - (c) **INPUT A 50W/1MW** to select **1MW**.
 - (d) **FUNCTION**? ? keys to select the **VOLT A MAX/MIN** function.
 - (e) **AUX MENU**.
 - (f) **FUNCTION**? ? keys to select the **CAL HYST** function.
 - (g) ENTER.
- (3) Verify that the TI indicates within limits listed in table 5 row 1.

(4) Connect calibrator **OUTPUT HI** and **LO** connectors to the variable filter **INPUT CH1** and the variable filter **OUTPUT CH1** to TI input **A** and input **B**.

- (5) Set the tunable active filter as a 50 kHz low pass filter.
- (6) Set calibrator to frequency and amplitude listed in table 5.
- (7) Verify that the TI indicated within limits listed in table 5.

(8) Repeat (6) above for remaining settings listed in table 5. TI will indicate within limits listed.

Calibrator		Test instrument			
Frequency	Amplitude	Input	Function	Min	Max
		А	VMax	-0.004	+0.004
		Α	VMin	-0.004	+0.004
DC	4.00 V	Α	VMax	3.956	4.044
DC	4.00 V	Α	VMin	3.956	4.044
DC^1	4.00 V	В	VMax	3.956	4.044
DC	4.00 V	В	VMin	3.956	4.044
DC	-4.00 V	В	VMax	-4.044	-3.956
DC	-4.00 V	В	VMin	-4.044	-3.956
DC^1	-4.00 V	Α	VMax	-4.044	-3.956
DC	-4.00 V	Α	VMin	-4.044	-3.956
DC^2	40.0 V	Α	VMax	39.16	40.84
DC	40.0 V	А	VMin	39.16	40.84
DC	-40.0 V	А	VMax	-40.84	-39.16
DC	-40.0 V	А	VMin	-40.84	-39.16
DC^1	-40.0 V	В	VMax	-40.84	-39.16

Table 5.	Volt Max/Min
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See footnotes at end of table.

Calibrator		Test instrument			
Frequency	Amplitude	Input	Function	Min	Max
DC	-40.0 V	В	VMin	-40.84	-39.16
DC	40.0 V	В	VMax	39.16	40.84
DC	40.0 V	В	VMin	39.16	40.84
100 kHz^3	1.414 Vrms (4 Vpp)	В	VMax/Min	3.756	4.244
100 kHz^1	1.414 Vrms (4 Vpp)	А	VMax/Min	3.756	4.244
100 kHz	6.372 Vrms (18 Vpp)	А	VMax/Min	16.16	19.84
100 kHz^1	6.372 Vrms (18 Vpp)	В	VMax/Min	16.16	19.84

Table 5. Volt Max/Min - Continued

¹ Press **SWAP A**« **B** key.

² Remove the tunable active filter from the connection.

³ Press MATH key, FUNCTION ? ? keys to select (K*X+L)/M, and ENTER.

b. Adjustments No adjustments can be made.

11. Trig Level A&B Outputs

a. Performance Check

- (1) Connect the TI TRIG LEVEL A OUT (rear panel) to the multimeter inputs.
- (2) Press TI keys as listed in (a) through (d) below:
 - (a) LOCAL/PRESET.
 - (b) TRIGGER LEVEL SET A.
 - (c) Use the **DATA ENTRY** keys to enter SET A levels listed in table 6 below.(d) **ENTER**.
- (3) Verify that the multimeter indicates within limits listed in table 6 below.
- (4) Repeat technique of (2)(b), (c), (d) and (3) above for remaining rows in table 6

Test ins	trument	Multimeter indication		
		Min	Max	
SET A	SET B	(Vdc)	(Vdc)	
+5.00 V		4.720	5.280	
-5.00 V		-5.280	-4.720	
0.00 V		-0.030	+0.030	
1	+5.00 V	4.720	5.280	
	-5.00 V	-5.280	-4.720	
	0.00 V	-0.030	+0.030	

Table 6. Trigger Level A&B

¹Move multimeter connection from TRIG LEVEL A OUT to TRIG LEVEL B OUT (rear panel)

(5) Disconnect equipment setup.

b. Adjustments No adjustments can be made.

12. Power Supply

NOTE

Do not perform power supply check if all other parameters are within tolerance. If any of the power supply checks are out of tolerance perform the entire calibration adjustment procedures in the manufacturer's service manual for this instrument.

a. Performance Check

(1) Connect multimeter negative lead to TI GND L41 (fig. 1), and connect the positive lead to the appropriate test point listed in table 7.

(2) Verify that the multimeter indicates within limits listed in table 7 for each of the test points. If multimeter does not indicate within limits specified in table 7, perform adjustments listed.

Table 7. Power Supply Check					
Test					
instrument					
test point locations	Dc voltage limits				
(fig. 1)	Min	Max			
X15 +5V	+4.70	+5.30			
X16 +5.2V	-5.05	-5.15			
X14 +7V	+6.90	+7.10			
+12V X17	11.90	12.10			

b. Adjustments

(1) Adjust 5V ADJ (fig. 1) for 5.00 V indication on multimeter (R).

(2) Repeat paragraph **11a** above and perform the entire calibration adjustment procedures in the manufacturer's service manual for this instrument.

13. Final Procedure

- **a**. Deenergize and disconnect all equipment.
- **b.** Annotate and affix DA label/form in accordance with TB 750-25.

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