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CALIBRATION PROCEDURE FOR RADAR TEST SET AN/UPM-29A, TS-147B/UP AND TS-1335A

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SECTION I IDENTIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION

1. Test Instrument Identification. This bulletin provides instructions for the calibration of Radar Test Set, AN/UPM-29A, TS-147B/UP, and TS-1335A. The manufacturers' manuals, TM 11-6625-917-15 and TM 11-1247 (Series) were used as the prime data sources in compiling these instructions. The equipment being calibrated will be referred to as the TI (test instrument) throughout this bulletin.

a. Model Variations. Differences among models are described in text.

b. Time and Technique. The time required for this calibration is approximately 3 hours using the microwave 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 specifications which pertain to this calibration are listed in table 1.

Table 1. Calibration Description

| Test instrument parameters | Performance specifications | |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| | TS-147 ()/UP | AN/UPM-29 () and TS-1335A |
| Frequency meter | Range: 8470 to 9630 MHz Accuracy: ± 2.5 MHz absolute ± 1 MHz relative for increments of less than 60 MHz ± 1 MHz at 9310 | Range: 15.7 to 17.0 GHz Accuracy: ± 8 MHz absolute ± 1.5 MHz/60 MHz increment relative |
| Signal generator | Range: 8500 to 9600 MHz | Range: 15.7 to 17.0 GHz |
| RF output power | Range: -7 to -85 dBm Accuracy: ± 1.5 dB | Range: -43 to -90 dBm Accuracy: ± 2 dB |
| RF input power ¹ | Range: +7 to +30 dBm Accuracy: ± 1.5 dB | Range: +3 to +30 dBm Accuracy: ± 1.5 dB |

¹Item should be calibrated to highest cardinal point allowed by standard (Example: +7, +10, +20, +30).

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-287 and AN/GSM-705. Alternate items may be used by the calibrating activity when the equipment listed in table 2 is not available. 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. Where the four-to-one ratio cannot be met, the actual accuracy of the equipment selected is shown in parenthesis.

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. The following peculiar accessories are also required for this calibration: Isolator, Model 1203B (8-12 GHz) or Model 1208B (12-18 GHz).

Table 2. Minimum Specifications of Equipment Required

| Common name | Minimum use specifications | Manufacturer and model (part number) |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| AUTOTRANSFORMER | Range: 105 to 125 V ac, 60 Hz Accuracy: $\pm 1\%$ | Ridge, Model 9020A (9020A) |
| MEASURING RECEIVER | Range: 0 to 50 dB Accuracy: ± 0.375 dB | Measuring receiver system N5530S consisting of: Spectrum Analyzer, Agilent Model E4440A (E4440A), Power meter, Agilent Model E4419B (E4419B), and Sensor module, Agilent Model N5543A opt 518 (518) |
| POWER METER | Range: 0.1 to 10 mW (+ 3 to -30 dBm) ¹ Accuracy: ± 0.5 dB (15.7 to 17 GHz) ¹ | Agilent, Model E12-432A (MIS-30525) w/thermistor mount, Agilent, Model 478A-H75 (7915907) or 8478B (8478B) |
| SYNTHESIZED SIGNAL GENERATOR | Frequency: 8.5 to 9.6 GHz (15.7 to 17.0 GHz, 5 Mw max) ¹ | Anritsu, Model 68369NV (68369NV) |

¹Reading in parenthesis pertains to AN/UPM-29 ().

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 and item identification number 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. Additional maintenance information is contained in the manufacturers' manuals, TM 11-6625-917-15 and TM 11-1247 (Series) 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.** Connect TI to autotransformer.
- b.** Connect autotransformer to a 115 V ac source and adjust for a 115 V output.
- c.** Set **POWER** switch to **ON** and allow 45 minutes for equipment to warm-up and stabilize.

NOTE

Knobs and dials may vary on some models.

- d.** Position controls as listed in (1) through (7) below:

- (1) **DBM** dial to maximum attenuation.
- (2) **SIGNAL WIDTH** control to **MIN**.
- (3) **PHASE** control to **MIN**.
- (4) **POWER SET** control fully ccw.
- (5) **SIGNAL FREQ** control to midrange.
- (6) **TEST/TRAN/RECV** switch to **TRAN**.

(7) Adjust **ZERO/FINE** control (**METER BALANCE/FINE** control on some models) for **SET ZERO** indication on **SET POWER** meter (**METER BALANCE** control on some models).

NOTE

It may be necessary to adjust R124 (fig. 1) to obtain **SET ZERO** indication in (7) above for the TS-147 ().

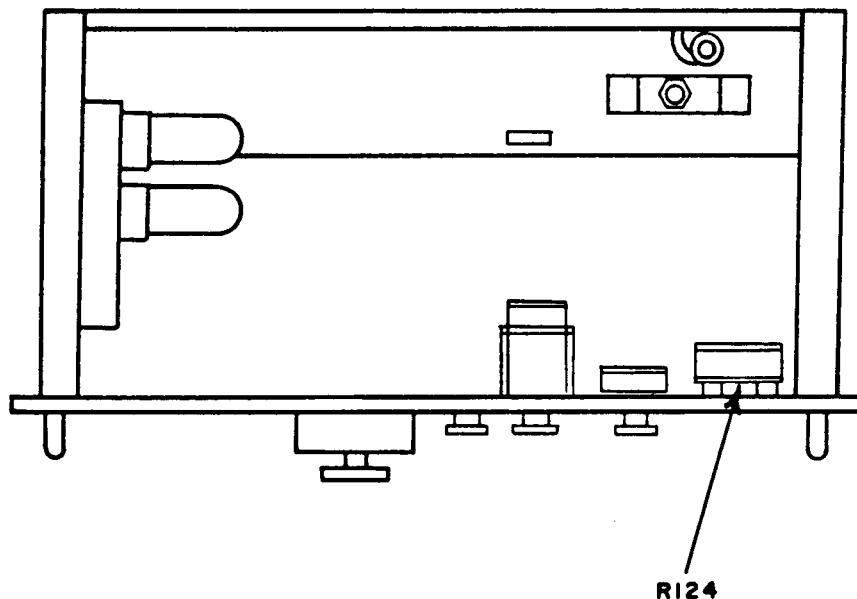


Figure 1. Radar test set - bottom view.

NOTE

Turn function selector switch to **TRAN** to ensure the power meter pointer is at **SET ZERO** prior to each performance check. Adjust **ZERO SET** control if necessary.

NOTE

Throughout this procedure, when adjusting **FREQUENCY** control, always approach desired frequency in a ccw direction to eliminate effects of backlash.

8. Frequency Meter Accuracy

NOTE

Readings in parenthesis pertain to AN/UPM-29A and TS-1335A.

a. Performance Check

- (1) Position controls as listed in (a) and (b) below:
 - (a) **FREQUENCY** control to 850 (15.8 GHz) on **FREQUENCY MC/10** dial.
 - (b) Adjust **DBM** dial as necessary to obtain best usable indication.
- (2) Connect synthesized signal generator to **TI RF INPUT**.
- (3) Adjust synthesized signal generator for an output frequency of 8.5 GHz (15.8 GHz) and power level for an on-scale indication on **SET POWER** meter.

(4) Slowly readjust synthesized signal generator frequency until **SET POWER** meter indication dips sharply.

(5) Synthesized signal generator frequency indicated on TI frequency meter will be between 8.4975 and 8.5025 GHz (15.792 and 15.808 GHz).

(6) Repeat **a** (1) through (4) above, substituting frequencies and tolerances listed in table 4 (table 5).

Table 4. Frequency Meter AN/UPM-147 ()

| Test instrument | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------|
| FREQUENCY MC/10 dial settings | Frequency meter indications (GHz) | |
| | Min | Max |
| 860 | 8.5975 | 8.6025 |
| 880 | 8.7975 | 8.8025 |
| 890 | 8.8975 | 8.9025 |
| 900 | 8.9975 | 9.0025 |
| 910 | 9.0975 | 9.1025 |
| 920 | 9.1975 | 9.2025 |
| 930 | 9.2975 | 9.3025 |
| 940 | 9.3975 | 9.4025 |
| 950 | 9.4975 | 9.5025 |
| 960 | 9.5975 | 9.6025 |

Table 5. Frequency Meter AN/UPM-29 () and TS-1335A

| Test instrument FREQUENCY MC/10 dial settings | Frequency meter indications (GHz) | |
|--|--------------------------------------|--------|
| | Min | Max |
| 1580 | 15.792 | 15.808 |
| 1590 | 15.892 | 15.908 |
| 1600 | 15.992 | 16.008 |
| 1610 | 16.092 | 16.108 |
| 1620 | 16.192 | 16.208 |
| 1630 | 16.292 | 16.308 |
| 1640 | 16.392 | 16.408 |
| 1650 | 16.492 | 16.508 |
| 1660 | 16.592 | 16.608 |
| 1670 | 16.692 | 16.708 |
| 1680 | 16.792 | 16.808 |
| 1690 | 16.892 | 16.908 |
| 1700 | 16.992 | 17.008 |

b. Adjustments. No adjustments can be made.

9. Signal Generator Range

a. Performance Check

(1) Set **TRAN/TEST/RECV** switch to **TEST** (red dot) position and adjust **PHASE** control for maximum peak indication of **SET POWER** meter. Adjust **POWER SET** control as necessary to maintain on-scale indication.

NOTE

The **PHASE** control has several settings at which peak deflection can be obtained on the power meter. Select the setting that provides the most stable operation.

(2) Adjust TI signal generator output frequency to 8.5 GHz (15.8 GHz), using technique of (a) through (d) below:

(a) Slowly adjust **FREQUENCY** control until **SET POWER** meter indication dips sharply. Note **FREQUENCY MC/10** dial indication.

(b) Slightly increase or decrease toward 8.5 GHz (15.8 GHz) **SIGNAL FREQ** control setting and readjust **PHASE** control to maintain peak indication of TI power meter.

(c) Continue process of (a) and (b) above until a sharp dip occurs when **FREQUENCY MC/10** dial indicates 850 (1580).

(d) When TI signal generator frequency is set at desired point, turn **FREQUENCY MC/10** dial to a point at least 100 MHz away from TI signal generator frequency and adjust **POWER SET** control for indication of **SET POWER** on **SET POWER** meter.

(3) Repeat a (1) and (2) above for frequency of 9.6 GHz (16.9 GHz). TI signal generator will operate at 1 mW output level (power set indication) between 8.5 and 9.6 GHz (15.8 and 16.9 GHz).

b. **Adjustments.** No adjustments can be made. Failure to operate between 8.5 and 9.6 GHz (15.8 and 16.9 GHz) indicates TI klystron may need replacement.

10. Output Power Accuracy

a. Performance Check

(1) Set **TRAN/TEST/RECV** switch to **TEST** (red dot) position and **DBM** dial to +10 dBm.

(2) Adjust TI controls as described in 9 a (1) and (2) above to set TI signal generator to 8.5 GHz (15.8 GHz).

(3) Connect power meter to **RF OUTPUT** connector.

(4) Power meter indication will be between -8.5 and -11.5 dBm. Record power meter indication for use in (8) below and paragraph 12 a below.

(5) Repeat (1) through (4) above for frequencies of 9.05 and 9.60 GHz (16.35 and 16.90 GHz). Record power meter indication for use in (8) below.

NOTE

The value of attenuation on output cable assembly CG-92A/U (supplied with TI) is accurate to ± 0.3 dB at 8.5, 9.080, and 9.6 GHz and is stamped on a metal tag which is attached to each unit. Since attenuation of this cable may change with time, actual attenuation of this cable should be confirmed by the following method to insure accurate calibration.

- (6) Connect output cable assembly CG-92A/U between TI **RF OUTPUT** connector and power meter.
- (7) Repeat output power accuracy test and record new power indications.
- (8) The difference between readings recorded in (4) and (5) above and readings recorded (7) above will indicate actual cable attenuation loss ± 0.3 dB.

b. Adjustments. No adjustments can be made; however, a new correction chart may be prepared and attached to TI if necessary.

11. Input Power Accuracy

a. Performance Check

- (1) Set **TRAN/TEST/RECV** switch to **TRAN** and adjust **SET ZERO COARSE** and **FINE** controls to obtain **SET ZERO** indication on **SET POWER** meter.
- (2) Connect equipment as shown in figure 2, connection A.

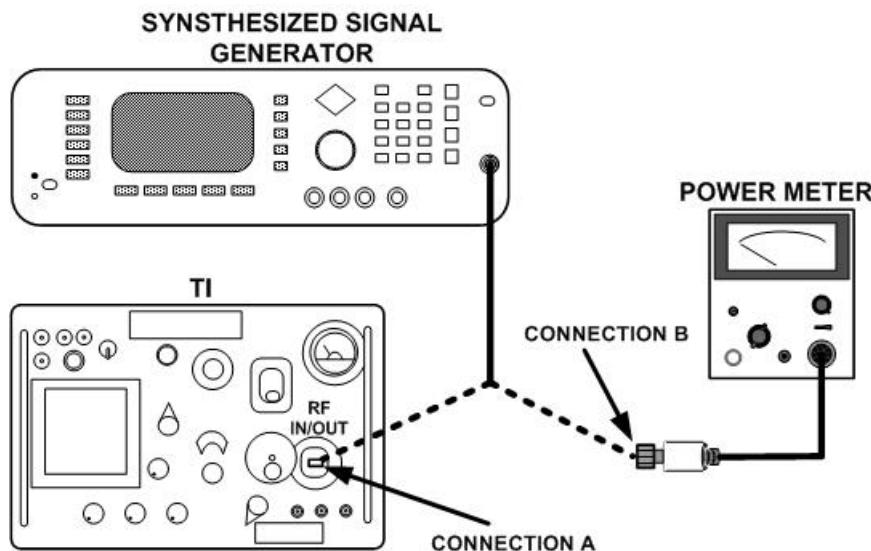


Figure 2. Input - equipment setup.

- (3) Adjust controls of synthesized signal generator for CW operation at **8.5 GHz** (15.8 GHz) and power level for an on-scale indication on **SET POWER** meter.

(4) Set **DBM** control to **+7 dBm** and adjust synthesized signal generator power output until **SET POWER** meter indicates **SET POWER**.

(5) Connect equipment as shown in figure 2, connection B. Power meter indication will be between **+5.5** and **+8.5 dBm**.

(6) Repeat technique (1) through (5) for highest possible level allowed by synthesized signal generator or cardinal point on TI dBm dial (whichever is possible).

(7) Repeat technique of (1) through (6) above at frequencies of 9.05 and 9.60 GHz (16.35 and 16.9 GHz).

b. Adjustments. No adjustments can be made; however, a new calibration chart will be prepared and attached to TI if necessary.

12. Attenuation Dial Accuracy

a. Performance Check

(1) Connect equipment as shown in figure 3.

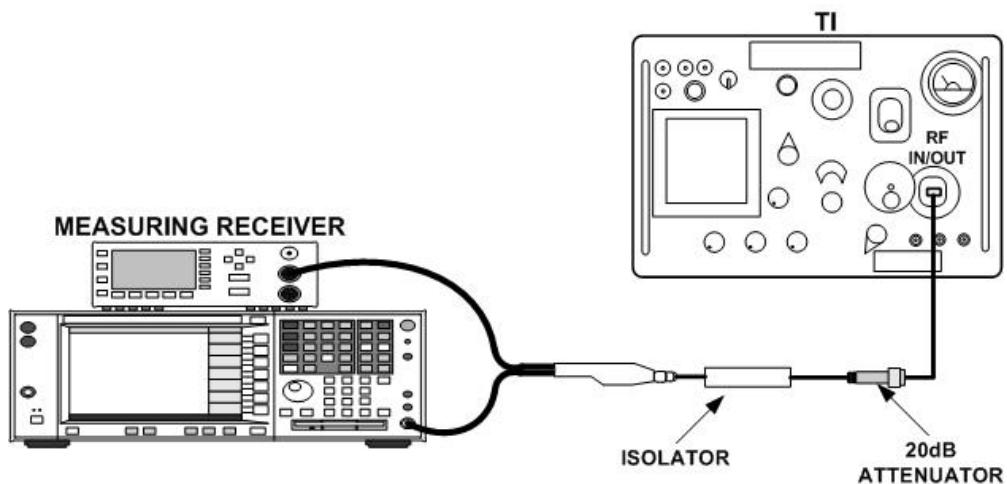


Figure 3. Attenuation - equipment setup.

(2) Set **dBm** dial to **+10 dBm**.

(3) Set **TRAN/TEST/RECV** switch to **TEST** (red dot) position and adjust **PHASE** control for maximum peak indication of **SET POWER** meter. Adjust **POWER SET** control as necessary to maintain on-scale indication.

NOTE

The **PHASE** control has several settings at which peak deflection can be obtained on the power meter. Select the setting that provides the most stable operation.

(4) Adjust TI signal generator output frequency to 8.5 GHz (15.8 GHz), using technique of (a) through (d) below:

- (a) Slowly adjust **FREQUENCY** control until **SET POWER** meter indication dips sharply. Note **FREQUENCY MC/10** dial indication.
- (b) Slightly increase or decrease toward 8.5 GHz (15.8 GHz) **SIGNAL FREQ** control setting and readjust **PHASE** control to maintain peak indication of power meter.
- (c) Continue process of (a) and (b) above until a sharp dip occurs when **FREQUENCY MC/10** dial indicates 850 (1580).
- (d) When TI signal generator frequency is set at displayed point, turn **FREQUENCY MC/10** dial to a point at least 100 MHz away from TI signal generator frequency and adjust **POWER SET** control for indication of **SET POWER** on **SET POWER** meter.

(5) Set measuring receiver to establish a reference at 8.5 GHz (15.8 GHz).

(6) Set **TRAN/TEST/RECV** switch to **RECV** and adjust **DBM** control to **-45**.

(7) Measure attenuation with measuring receiver. The measuring receiver will display an indication between 33.5 to 36.5 dB. Add power meter indication recorded in **10 a (3)** above, and total value will be between -43.5 to -46.5 dBm and record value. (If making a new correction chart, value recorded in this step will be expressed as a negative number example: -46.5 dBm).

(8) Adjust measuring receiver to establish a new reference.

(9) Adjust **DBM** control to **-50** and measure attenuation. Measuring receiver will indicate a reading between 3.5 and 6.5 dB. Add power meter indication recorded in **10 a (3)** and measuring receiver indication recorded in **12 a (7)** above. Total value will be between 48.5 to 51.5 dBm. (If making a new correction chart, value recorded in this step will be expressed as a negative number example -51.5 and record value.)

(10) Repeat technique of (9) above for settings listed in table 6. Total recorded value will be within limits specified.

Table 6. Attenuation Dial Accuracy

| Test instrument DBM control indications | Total recorded value ¹ | |
|---|-----------------------------------|------|
| | Min | Max |
| -55 | 8.5 | 11.5 |
| -60 | 13.5 | 16.5 |
| -65 | 18.5 | 21.5 |
| -70 | 23.5 | 26.5 |
| -75 | 28.5 | 31.5 |
| -80 | 33.5 | 36.5 |
| -85 | 38.5 | 41.5 |

¹Total recorded values are derived by adding power meter recorded indications in **10 a (3)**, measuring receiver recorded indications in **12 a (7)**, and measuring receiver recorded indications in **12 a (10)** (Example -10 -35 -10 = -55 dB).

b. Adjustments. No adjustments can be made; however, a new correction chart will be prepared and attached to TI if necessary.

13. Final Procedure

- a.** Deenergize and disconnect all equipment and reinstall protective cover on TI.
- b.** Annotate and affix DA Label/Form in accordance with TB 750-25.

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