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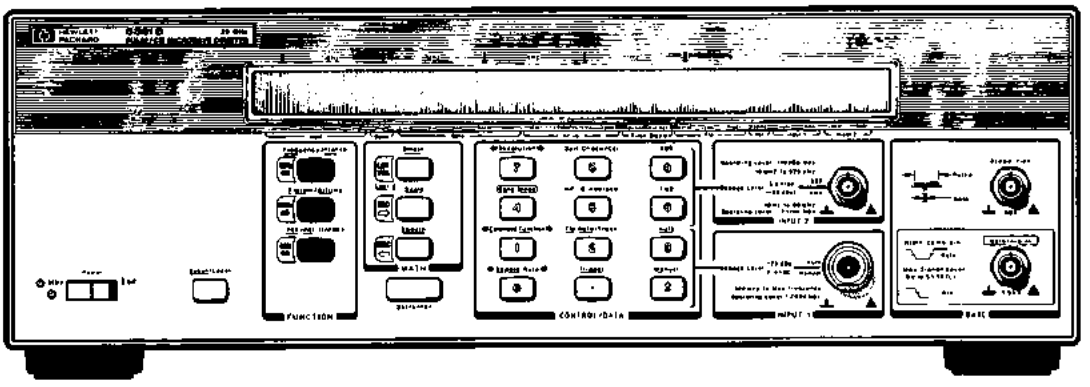
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# HP 5361B

## Pulse/CW Microwave Counter

OPERATING AND PROGRAMMING MANUAL



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*(Also applies to the HP 5361A 20 GHz Pulse/CW Microwave Counter)*

**SERIAL NUMBER PREFIX: 3023**

This manual applies to instruments with serial numbers prefixed 3023, unless accompanied by a Manual Change Sheet indicating otherwise. For additional information about serial numbers, refer to INSTRUMENTS COVERED BY THIS MANUAL in "HOW TO USE THIS MANUAL GUIDE" following the Table of Contents.

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**MANUAL PART NUMBER 05361-90018**
**MICROFICHE PART NUMBER 05361-90019**

## Safety Considerations

**GENERAL**

This product and related documentation must be reviewed for familiarization with safety markings and instructions before operation.

This product is a Safety Class I instrument (provided with a protective earth terminal).

**BEFORE APPLYING POWER**

Verify that the product is set to match the available line voltage and the correct fuse is installed. Refer to instructions in this appendix.

**SAFETY EARTH GROUND**

An uninterruptible safety earth ground must be provided from the mains power source to the product input wiring terminals or supplied power cable.

## Safety Symbols



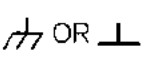
Instruction manual symbol; the product will be marked with this symbol when it is necessary for the user to refer to the instruction manual.



Indicates hazardous voltages.



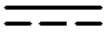
Indicates earth (ground) terminal.




Indicates terminal is connected to chassis when such connection is not apparent.



Alternating current.



Direct current.

*WARNING*

**THIS DENOTES A HAZARD. IT CALLS ATTENTION TO A PROCEDURE, PRACTICE, OR THE LIKE, WHICH, IF NOT CORRECTLY PERFORMED OR ADHERED TO, COULD RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY. DO NOT PROCEED BEYOND A *WARNING* SIGN UNTIL THE INDICATED CONDITIONS ARE FULLY UNDERSTOOD AND MET.**

*CAUTION*

**This denotes a hazard. It calls attention to an operating procedure, practice, or the like, which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in damage to or destruction of part or all of the product. Do not proceed beyond a *CAUTION* sign until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.**

## Safety Information

**WARNING**

Any interruption of the protective grounding conductor (inside or outside the instrument) or disconnecting the protective earth terminal will cause a potential shock hazard that could result in personal injury. (Grounding one conductor of a two conductor outlet is not sufficient protection.)

Whenever it is likely that the protection has been impaired, the instrument must be made inoperative and be secured against any unintended operation.

If this instrument is to be energized via an autotransformer (for voltage reduction) make sure the common terminal is connected to the earthed pole terminal (neutral) of the power source.

Instructions for adjustments while covers are removed and for servicing are for use by service-trained personnel only. To avoid dangerous electric shock, do not perform such adjustments or servicing unless qualified to do so.

For continued protection against fire, replace the line fuse(s) only with 250V fuse(s) of the same current rating and type (for example, normal blow, time delay). Do not use repaired fuses or short circuited fuseholders.

When measuring power line signals, be extremely careful and always use a step-down isolation transformer whose output voltage is compatible with the input measurement capabilities of this product. This product's front and rear panels are typically at earth ground, so NEVER TRY TO MEASURE AC POWER LINE SIGNALS WITHOUT AN ISOLATION TRANSFORMER.

## Safety Information (Continued)

**ACOUSTIC NOISE EMISSION:** LpA 47dB at operator position, at normal operation, tested per ISO 7779. All data are the results from type test.

**GERAeUSCHEMISSION:** LpA 47 dB am Arbeits platz, normaler Betrieb, gepruefl nach DIN 45635 Teil 19. Die Anbagen beruhen auf Ergebnissen von Typpruefungen.

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# HOW TO USE THIS MANUAL

## INTRODUCTION

This Operating and Programming Manual provides the information that you need to install, operate, and program the HP 5361B Microwave Frequency Pulse Counter. This brief section, How to Use This Manual, provides a short summary of the manual contents, and describes how to identify which version of the HP 5361B is described by your edition of this manual.

## WHERE TO FIND MAJOR TOPICS

This manual is organized into four sections and four appendixes. A task-oriented design is present that puts material about routine operation at the front of the book. Less frequently used information has been placed in the appendixes or appears further into the manual. An index has also been provided to help you locate specific information quickly. The following paragraphs provide a brief guide to help you find the information needed to unpack, test, and begin using your HP 5361B.

A manual summary is also provided to give you an overall view of where topics are located in the manual.

**Unpacking the Instrument:** Refer to Appendix B for all unpacking, installation, and maintenance procedures.

**Specifications:** All HP 5361B specifications are located in Appendix A.

**Operation Verification and Performance Tests:** Refer to Appendix C when you need to check the HP 5361B for correct operation. You can perform the procedures in this appendix to ensure that the instrument functioning according to the specifications listed in Appendix A.

**If You Are an Experienced User:** If you have experience taking microwave CW and Pulse measurements, you may wish to briefly scan Section 3, HP 5361B Controls and Indicators, to locate front panel controls and inputs. You should also look through Section 1, Starting Out With the HP 5361B, for a short hands-on tour that includes basic operating procedures, a key sequence summary, and sample applications with measurement setups.

After becoming familiar with the front panel features, you can read Section 2, Further Use of the HP 5361B, for more information about operating characteristics and tutorial procedures for Pulse and CW measurements. Section 2 also provides the details of such things as math modifiers and Gating/Arming and ends with information for solving simple operating problems.

If you are familiar with the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus (HP-IB), refer to Section 4 for information about remote operation of the HP 5361B.

**If You Are a Novice User:**

If you are new to microwave counters and measurements, you should read (in order) Sections 1, 2, and 3 to get a better understanding of how to use the HP 5361B before you begin making measurements. Refer to the manual summary below for a description of the contents of this manual.

**MANUAL SUMMARY**

This manual is arranged to cover the following major topics:

SECTION 1 — STARTING OUT WITH THE HP 5361B Provides you with a brief description of main features and functions followed by a quick hands-on tour of a few ways the HP 5361B can be used. Basic use of the instrument is explained in this section for Pulse, CW, and Profile measurements. Options and accessories are also mentioned here.

SECTION 2 — FURTHER USE OF THE HP 5361B Provides more detailed information about such things as math modifiers, gating/arming, measurement modes and extended functions. Tutorial procedures for Pulse and CW measurements also appear in this section along with a description of the overall operating characteristics of the instrument. If you encounter a problem while trying to use the instrument, refer to the problem-solving procedures located at the end of this section.

SECTION 3 — HP 5361B CONTROLS AND INDICATORS Provides brief explanations of all front and rear panel controls, indicators, and connections.

SECTION 4 — REMOTE OPERATION VIA HP-IB Describes the HP-IB capabilities of the instrument and contains a complete description of all HP-IB commands for programming the instrument. Also included is information about data

output format, instrument status and service request capabilities, and programming examples.

APPENDIX A — SPECIFICATIONS Contains the specifications for the HP 5361B. These specifications are the performance standards or limits against which the instrument can be tested.

APPENDIX B — INSTALLATION Contains information about unpacking, initial inspection, preparation for use, storage, and operator's maintenance of the instrument. At the end of this section are procedures for field installation of instrument options.

APPENDIX C — PERFORMANCE TESTS Describes procedures for testing the electrical performance of the HP 5361B using the specifications in Appendix A as performance standards.

APPENDIX D — ADVANCED MEASUREMENTS AND PROFILING Provides more detailed information on how external gating, arming, and chirped radar pulse measurements are made. Additional information about frequency and phase profiling measurement is also included.

**If You Need Service Information:**

For service information, refer to the HP 5361B Service Manual (HP Part Number 05361-90003).

**INSTRUMENTS COVERED BY THIS MANUAL**

The contents of this manual apply to HP 5361B instruments with the serial number prefix(es) listed under SERIAL NUMBERS on the title page. The instrument serial number is located in the upper right corner of the rear panel and is in the form: 0000A00000. The first four numbers and the letter are the serial number prefix. The last five numbers are the suffix. The prefix is the same for all identical HP 5361B instruments; it changes only when a change is made to the instrument. The suffix, however, is assigned sequentially and is different for each individual instrument.

An instrument manufactured after the printing of this manual may have a serial number prefix that is not listed on the title page. This unlisted serial number indicates that the instrument is different from that documented in this manual. The manual for a newer instrument will be accompanied by a Manual Updating Changes supplement. This supplement contains

information that explains how to adapt the manual to the newer instrument.

In addition to change information, the supplement may contain information for correcting errors in the manual. To keep this manual as current and accurate as possible, you should periodically request the latest Manual Updating Changes supplement, available free from Hewlett-Packard. The supplement for this manual is identified by the manual print date and part number, both of which appear on the title page of this manual.

For information concerning a serial number prefix that is not listed on the title page or in the Manual Updating Changes supplement, contact your nearest Hewlett-Packard office. Addresses and phone numbers of HP Sales and Support offices are located at the back of this manual.

## HP 5361A 20 GHz Pulse/CW Microwave Counter

The operating and HP-IB programming information contained in this manual is inclusive of all measurement functions present within the HP 5361A product and documents these functions with the exception of the following:

a. Frequency extension to either 26.5 or 40 GHz and any operating procedures related to measurement of frequencies beyond 20 GHz.

b. Auto Pulse/CW Profile function (Frequency profiling) and any related operating procedures, test setups, Extended functions, and HP-IB commands used to support this function.

c. Phase profiling measurement procedures and any related test setups, extended functions, or HP-IB commands used to support this measurement process.

If an HP 5361A is requested to execute either an extended function or HP-IB command found only on the HP 5361B, then the following message will be displayed: "NOT AVAILABLE EFUN nn" for extended functions, and "SYNTAX 4 ERROR" for HP-IB commands.

# 1

# STARTING OUT WITH THE HP 5361B

## SECTION GUIDE

This section provides an overview of the HP 5361B Pulse/CW Microwave counter, and a hands-on tour of its basic functions. Also present are a simplified block diagram, some basic measurement applications, Quick Reference Guide, and information about options and service.

## Where to Find Important Topics


- What is the HP 5361B? pg. 1-2
- Before You Turn-On the Counter pg. 1-5
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- Making Pulse Measurements pg. 1-5
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## OVERALL DESCRIPTION OF THE HP 5361B

The HP 5361B is a Pulse/CW microwave counter with a measurement range of 10 Hz to MAX GHz (20, 26.5, or 40 GHz). Pulse measurements are made between 500 MHz and MAX GHz. The counter automatically measures the frequency of either pulsed or continuous (CW) microwave signals. Automatic frequency and frequency profile, measurements can be made on pulsed signals as narrow as 100 nanoseconds. In addition, frequency, width, and period measurements can be made on the pulse envelope.

The 5361B gives you high performance pulse/CW microwave measurements along with simple, easy-to-use operating procedures. The HP 5361B is controlled by a single microprocessor that commands the counting circuitry (and optional printer). Microprocessor commands generate data, compute measurements, perform various measurement data manipulations and display (or print/plot) measurement results.

You can select all measurement modes and functions via 20 pushbutton keys on the front panel. Selectable functions include pulse functions, measurement modifiers, math modifiers, and alternate internal or external gating for pulse or CW data. (See Appendix D for information about complex externally gated/armed, or frequency/phase profile measurements.)

Additional power and convenience are provided by user-callable extended functions that you can use for increased control to obtain more measurement information. A subset of the extended functions provide powerful diagnostics if the need for instrument testing should ever arise. The counter is equipped with memory to save some of the front panel setup parameters while in the Standby mode.

All display functions are performed by a Liquid Crystal Display, that contains 24 alphanumeric characters (excluding function annunciators) for display of both messages and measurement data.

Full HP-IB programmability is a standard feature of the HP 5361B Pulse/CW Microwave Counter. The Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus provides remote control of measurement functions and data output. All front panel features except for power ON/STBY are available via the HP-IB. Refer to Section 4 of this manual for more information about remote operation via HP-IB. The HP-IB can also be used

to output frequency profile results to an optional printer in either graphic or tabular format.

*Figure 1-1* is a simplified block diagram of the HP 5361B. Pulse and CW signals between 500 MHz and MAX GHz (INPUT 1) are down-converted using the HP Harmonic Heterodyne conversion technique. The resulting IF signal is first amplified and filtered. It is then detected, gated, and counted under control of the on-board microprocessor. CW inputs between 10 Hz and 525 MHz (INPUT 2) are prescaled (if necessary) and then counted directly without IF conversion.

Three useful signal connections are also provided. They are: front panel GATE/ARM input, SCOPE-VIEW output, and rear panel Pulse output. Refer to Section 2 and Appendix D of this manual for more detailed theory of operation.

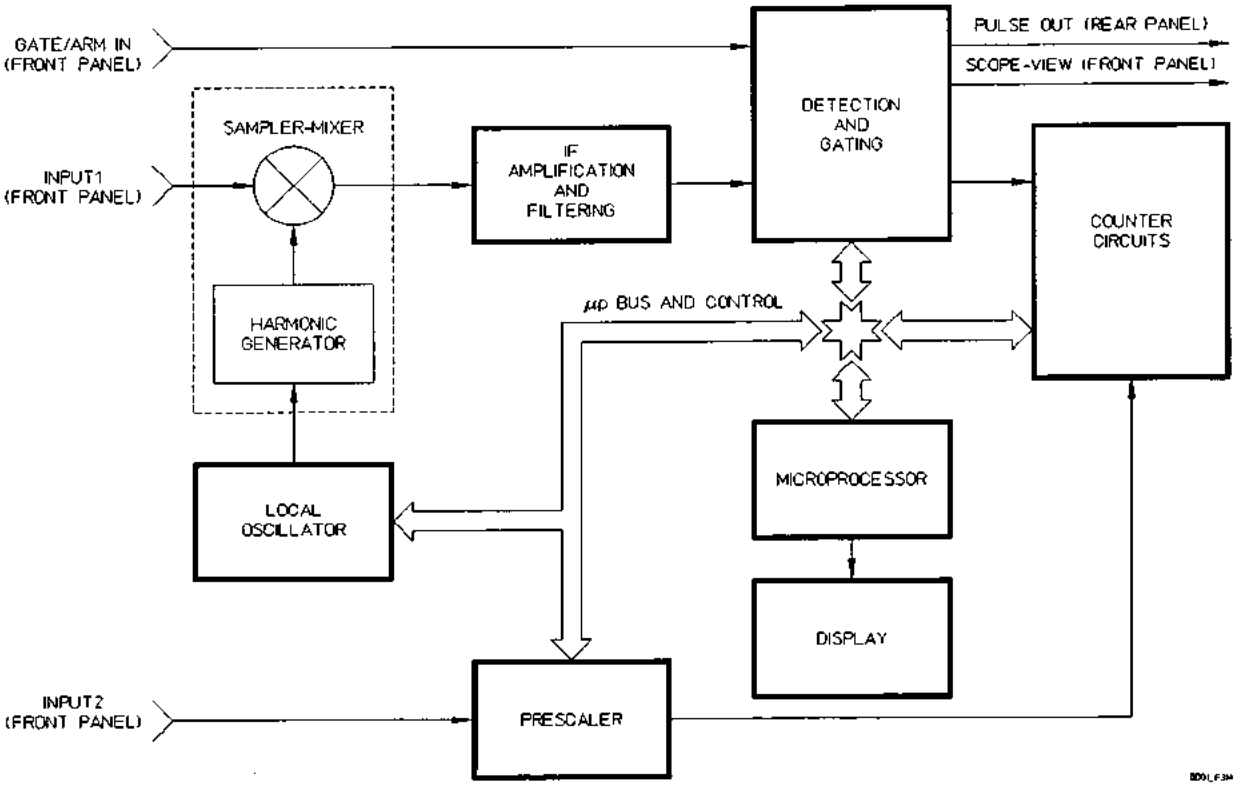



*Figure 1-1. HP 5361B Simplified High-level Block Diagram*

## BASIC FUNCTIONS OF THE HP 5361B

This is the beginning of your hands-on tour of the HP 5361B Pulse/CW Microwave counter. First, the highlights of the instrument, then, everything you ever wanted to know about the ease and convenience of Pulsed/CW microwave measurements. The main purpose of the HP 5361B is to count the frequency within microwave pulse bursts. You can tell the counter to give you six types of pulse measurements:

- FREQUENCY — carrier frequency of the pulse
- PROFILE — frequency modulation profile of the pulse
- P WIDTH — time duration of the pulse
- OFFTIME — time duration between the end of a pulse and onset of another
- PRF — repetition frequency of the pulse
- PRI — time duration between the onset of a pulse and the onset of another

The HP 5361B is also a powerful CW microwave counter that can automatically acquire, measure, and customize information to suit your particular measurement needs. In addition to the pulse modes mentioned above, this instrument can perform the following for Pulse and CW measurements:

- Automatic or Manual determination of Pulse/CW signal type
- Automatic or Manual acquisition of RF signal
- Selectable INPUT 1 High/Low frequency bands for signal acquisition (Option 040 only)
- Selectable Pulse parameter Averaging — 2 to 9,999 pulses
- Math Modification — Offset (±), Scaling (×/ ÷), and Smooth capabilities
- Sample Rate Modification — Variable time duration between measurements
- Gate Mode Selection — External, Arm, and Internal modes
- FM Tolerance Selection — Normal, Low, and Track (INPUT 1, CW only)

- Selectable 50Ω or 1 MΩ inputs for CW signals present at INPUT 2
- Extended function calls provide — control of internal gate width, LO frequency, High Resolution, and others

Those are the features, now for your guided tour:

**BE SURE TO READ THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT AC POWER/INPUT 1 INFORMATION**

If you haven't done so already, unpack your new HP 5361B and check these important items!

1. Ensure that the enclosed power cable has the correct plug for your ac power source outlet and voltage.
2. Ensure that the printed-circuit line voltage selector card located in the power module is set for your ac power source voltage. Refer to Appendix B, "Line Voltage and Fuse Selection".
3. Ensure that the correct fuse is present in the power module. Refer to Appendix B, as above.
4. Plug the ac power cable into an outlet or extension cord that provides a third wire to protective earth ground.
5. Set the front panel power switch to on.
6. Observe the HP 5361B cycle successfully through all Calibration and Self Check subroutines and then initialize into the Automatic measurement mode.
7. If step six isn't successful, go to the "What to do if There is a Problem" subsection at the end of Section 2.
8. Before you connect an active microwave source to INPUT 1, be sure its power doesn't exceed +7 dBm and always observe Electrostatic Discharge precautions whenever in close proximity to the exposed center conductor of INPUT 1.

## Counting Pulses

OK! You've powered-up the HP 5361B, passed calibration and self check, and you're ready to make a measurement. Let's assume you have a pulsed microwave signal source available

through a cable on your test bench. You'll need a Type N Male or APC 3.5 Female connector to correctly connect it to INPUT 1.

Follow the steps below and refer to *Figure 1-2.* Front Panel Control and Input (Pulse Measurements). (More keystroke sequence information is available in *Table 1-1.* Quick Reference Guide.)

| Step | Action or Result |
|---|---|
| 1. | Connect the signal source cable to INPUT 1. |
| 2. | Observe the displayed pulse carrier frequency and "PULSE" message. |
| 3. | Press the second (middle) function key "P WIDTH/OFFTIME" once, located on the left side of the front panel. Watch for the following response:<br>a. Display shows "PULSE WIDTH" momentarily (or as long as the key is depressed).<br>b. Next, the measurement value appears with the letters "PW" at right. |
| 4. | Press this key again and see what happens:<br>a. Display shows "PULSE OFF TIME" momentarily as in step 3-a.<br>b. Next, the measurement value appears with the letters "OFF" at right. |
| 5. | Now press the bottom function key "PRF/PRI (1/PRF)" once, watch what happens:<br>a. Display shows "PULSE REP FREQ" momentarily as in steps 3 and 4.<br>b. Next, the measurement value appears with the letters "PRF" at right. |

6. Press this key again and watch the results:

   a. Display shows "PULSE REP INTERVAL" momentarily as in step 5.

   b. Next, the measurement value appears with the letters "PRI" at right.

7. Now you've already made five separate microwave pulse measurements! But just in case you need the first one, press the top function key "FREQUENCY/PROFILE" once ONLY:

   a. Display shows "FREQUENCY MEASUREMENT" similar to the other keys.

   b. Once again, the measurement value appears this time with "PULSE" at right.

The steps you just went through show how the HP 5361B quickly, easily, and AUTOMATICALLY gave you the information you needed.

You can also tell the counter to look at a specific center frequency (CF). Refer to the fifth task of the Quick Reference Guide (*Table 1-1*) for the keys to press.

*NOTE*

*If the PRF of the input signal is less than 50 Hz, an erroneous measurement may be displayed. Enter the <50 Hz Pulse mode by first entering the MANUAL Mode, then press "Set/Enter" then "PRF". Exit the <50 Hz Pulse mode by pressing "Set/Enter" then "PRF" again.*

*When measuring the frequency of a Chirped radar-pulse you must use extended function 96 (refer to pages 2-78 and D-6 for more information).*

*Depending on the input PRF, there may be a moderate IF AGC settling time.*

The next procedure shows you how to count CW frequencies from 10 Hz to MAX GHz.

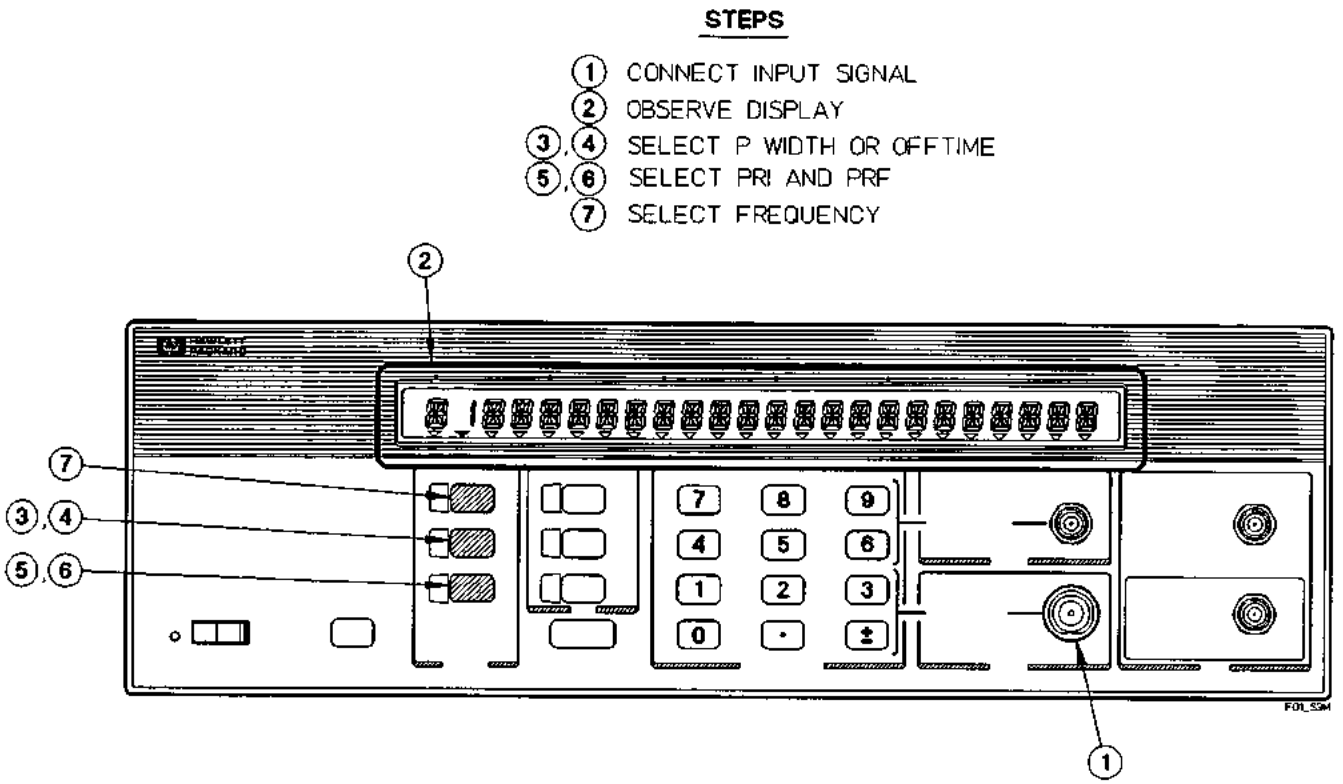



*Figure 1-2. Front Panel Control and Input (Pulse Measurements)*

## Counting CW Frequency

With the HP 5361B powered-on, you're ready to make a CW measurement. You'll need a microwave signal source as before only this time it should be CW. Remember that although CW frequencies can be measured from 10 Hz to MAX GHz, two separate signal inputs (1 and 2) are needed to cover this range.

INPUT 1 covers frequencies from 500 MHz to MAX GHz. INPUT 2 handles frequencies from 10 Hz to 525 MHz. Use a Type N Male or APC 3.5 Female connector to properly connect to INPUT 1 and a Male BNC connector for INPUT 2.

We'll use INPUT 1 first then INPUT 2. Follow the steps below and refer to *Figure 1-3*, Front Panel Control and Input (CW Measurements). (More keystroke sequence information is available in *Table 1-1*, Quick Reference Guide.)

| Step | Action or Result |
|---|---|
| 1. | Connect the 500 MHz to MAX GHz signal source to INPUT 1. |
| 2. | Observe the displayed carrier frequency. |
| 3. | If you'd like to "customize" this measurement refer to the second page of *Table 1-1*, Quick Reference Guide, to make math/measurement modifications or use extended functions. |
| 4. | Disconnect INPUT 1 and connect the 10 Hz to 525 MHz signal source to INPUT 2 and make the following selection: |
| | a. If the frequency at INPUT 2 is between 10 MHz and 525 MHz, you can press the 50Ω key to the left of INPUT 2 for proper signal termination. |
| | b. If the frequency at INPUT 2 is between 10 Hz and 80 MHz, you can press the 1 MΩ key to the left of INPUT 2 for proper signal termination. |

***NOTE***

*If the signal is between 80 MHz and 500 MHz, the 50Ω key MUST be pressed for correct operation.*

*If the signal is between 10 Hz and 10 MHz, the 1 MΩ key MUST be pressed for correct operation.*

| | |
|---|---|
| 5. | Observe the displayed carrier frequency. |
| 6. | If you'd like to "customize" this measurement refer to the second page of *Table 1-1*, Quick Reference Guide, to make math/measurement modifications or use extended functions. |

The steps you just went through show how easy it is to make CW frequency measurements using either inputs 1 or 2.

As with pulse measurements, you can ask the counter to look at a specific center frequency (CF). Refer to the fifth task of the Quick Reference Guide (*Table 1-1.*) for the keys to press.

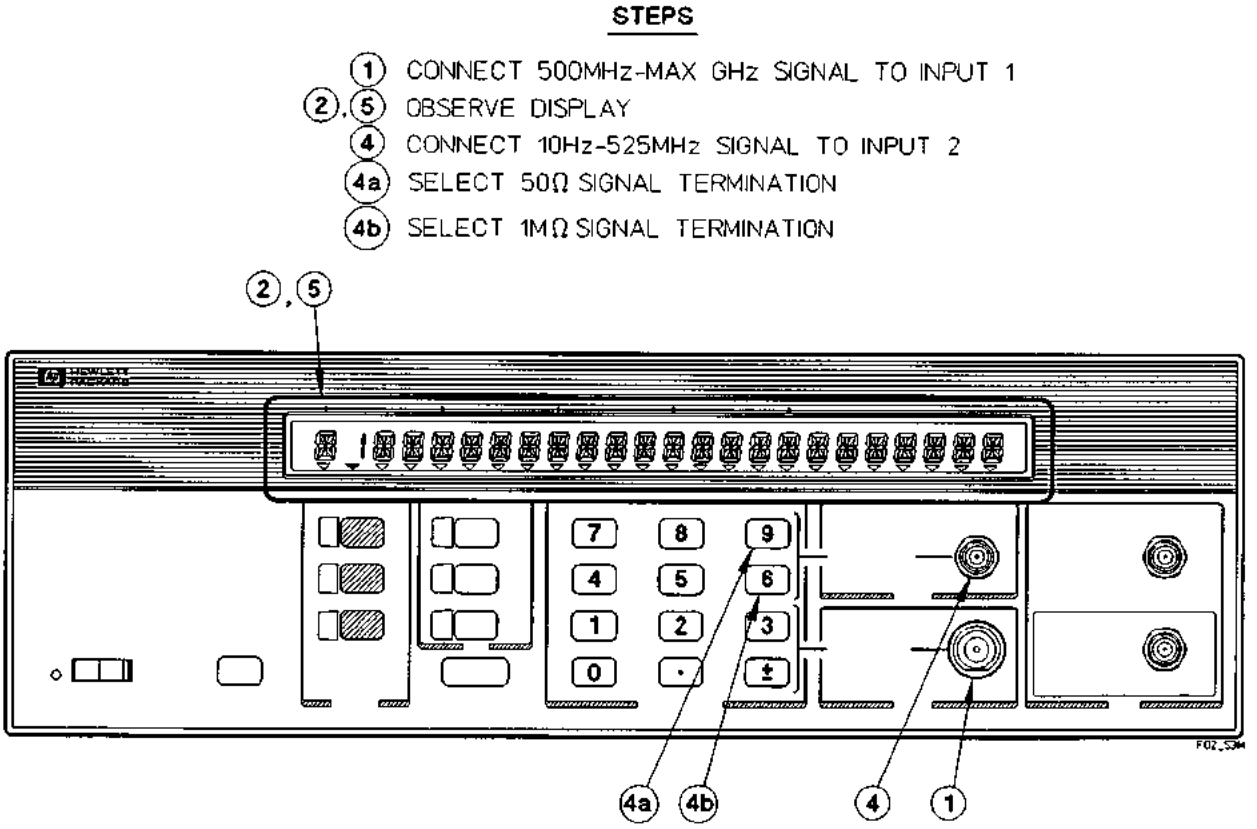



*Figure 1-3. Front Panel Control and Input (CW Measurements)*

## Measurement Modifiers

Measurement modifiers let you control how the HP 5361B "looks" at the incoming signal and how measurement results are displayed. There are five front panel keys (other than math functions) that let you customize Pulse/CW measurements. They are located on the front panel in the "Control/Data" key group.

The key functions are explained briefly here so you'll know what they can do. More detailed information about these keys is provided in the next section of this manual. You can also refer to the middle of the second page of the Quick Reference Guide, *Table 1-1,* for the keystrokes to use.

- RESOLUTION — This key lets you control the number of digits that appear on the display. User-selected resolution is represented by the least significant digit (LSD) in the display.
- GATE MODE — You can change the way Pulse or CW signals are " gated" prior to being measured by using this key. The key cycles through three different gate modes: Arm, External, and Internal.
- SAMPLE RATE — This key lets you control the rate at which measurements are made from either input connector. You can chose eight different rates from Fast to Hold.
- TRIGGER — Press this key when the Sample Rate is set to hold and you want to make a measurement or frequency profile at a specific moment.
- FM RATE/TRACK — This key lets you measure FM CW signals over a wide range of FM rates. The key cycles through three FM modulation ranges: Normal, Low, and Track.

*NOTE*

*The HP 5361B counter can be "Reset" or " Preset" depending on whether you want to simply abort the current measurement task or abort measurement and return the front panel setup parameters to their default values.*

*To abort the current measurement (Reset), press the "Reset/Local " key.*

*To abort the current measurement and return to default setup values (Preset), press "Set/Enter", then "Reset/Local".*

## Math Modifiers

Math modifiers let you perform all four arithmetic operations on the measurement results. An additional math function "smooth" makes displayed results easier to read. There are three front panel keys you can use to perform math operations. They are located in the "Math" key group.

The key functions are explained briefly here so you'll know what they can do. More detailed information about these keys is provided in the next section of this manual. You can also refer to the middle of the second page of the Quick Reference Guide, *Table 1-1,* for the keystrokes you'll need to use.

- OFFSET — You can use this key to add or subtract an offset value to/from the calculated results that would normally appear on the display.
- SCALE — This key lets you multiply (or simulate division of) the calculated results by a selected multiplier. To multiply, use a whole or mixed decimal number. To "simulate" division, use a decimal fraction.
- SMOOTH — Press this key when the least significant digits of a displayed measurement appear unstable and cannot be read.

## Extended Functions

Extended functions let you get more information about how the HP 5361B generates its measurements or permit you to run diagnostic tests. Some of these function calls can display or let

you change the values of certain internal parameters that were used to make a specific measurement. You can use them to select and input a more "Customized" measurement setup.

You may need this kind of information for those tasks that require an exact account of how the results were calculated. Refer to the second page of the Quick Reference Guide, *Table 1-1*, for some useful extended functions and the keystrokes needed to call them. More detailed explanations of all extended functions are provided in the next section of this manual.

## Quick Reference Guide

Pages 1-14 and 1-15 provide you with the HP 5361B Quick Reference Guide. The guide is organized into five blocks: Basic Pulse/CW Measurements for INPUT 1, Basic CW Measurements for INPUT 2, Frequency Profile for INPUT 1, Customizing Measurements on INPUT 1, and Extended Function Entry.

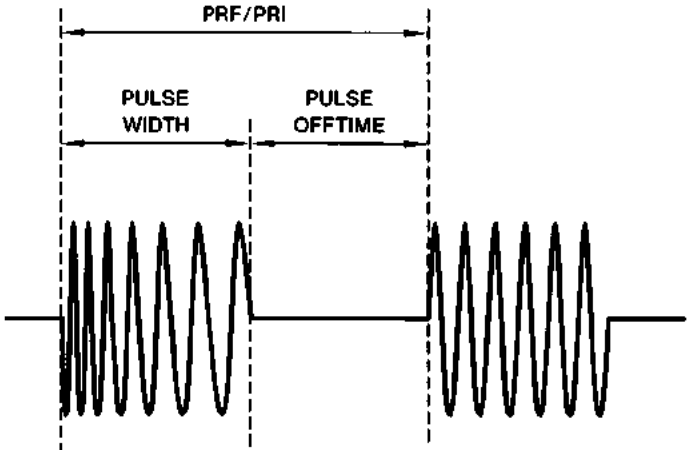
- The first block shows you exactly how to control the counter to perform its main measurement functions via INPUT 1.
- The second block shows the keys used to make CW measurements between 10 Hz and 525 MHz via INPUT 2.
- The third block shows you how to set up the counter to make a CW sweep or pulse frequency profile. (This procedure requires the use of an optional printer.)
- The fourth block shows you how to customize measurements on INPUT 1.
- The fifth block lists some useful extended functions and their associated numbers.

*Table 1-1. Quick Reference Guide*

## Basic Pulse/CW Measurements for INPUT 1

| TO DO THIS TASK: | PUSH THESE BUTTONS: | AND MEASURE THIS SIGNAL PARAMETER: |
|---|---|---|
| Measure PULSE REPETITION FREQUENCY or INTERVAL (Toggle Function) | PRF/PRI | |
| Measure PULSE WIDTH or OFFTIME (Toggle Function) | PWIDTH/ OFFTIME | |
| Measure PULSE/CW FREQUENCY or make a FREQUENCY PROFILE (Toggle Function) | FREQUENCY/ PROFILE | |

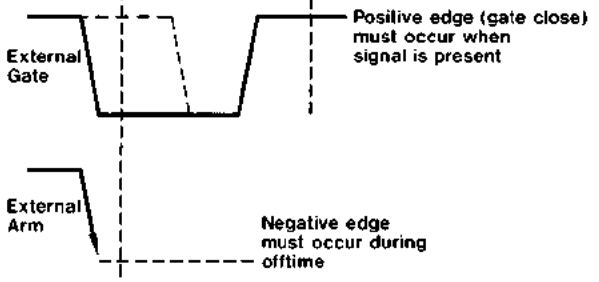
(CW sweep frequency profile requires you to provide an external gate signal)




Setting an EXTERNAL GATE or ARM

GATE MODE

Change GATE MODE (Cycle through arm, external and internal modes)




Set Center Frequency: SET/ENTER → MANUAL → LST VAL / 0-9 → SET/ENTER / GHz

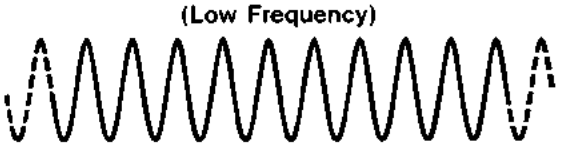


Switch Frequency Bands (Option 040 Only) (Toggle Function): SET/ENTER → FREQUENCY → (500 MHz → 29 GHz) Lo-Band or (12 GHz → 40 GHz) Hi-Band

## Basic CW Measurements for INPUT 2

Measure CW FREQUENCY between 10 Hz and 80 MHz — 1MΩ

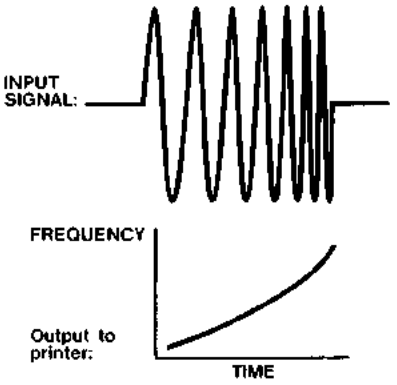
Measure CW FREQUENCY between 10 MHz and 525 MHz — 50Ω




NOTES: For All Pulse and CW Measurements:
1. When the right side of the LCD shows "PULSE ★", the requested resolution cannot be obtained.
2. To preset the counter to default settings, press "SET/ENTER", then "RESET".

*Table 1-1. Quick Reference Guide (Continued)*

## Frequency Profile for INPUT 1




**Use the steps listed here to profile a pulse or CW Sweep:**

- SET Sample rate to "HOLD".
- SET 5361B HP-IB address to 31 (Talk Only). Press SET/ENTER, HP-IB ADDRESS, 3, 1, SET/ENTER
- SET printer to Listen Always and cycle power on the printer. If you're using a PaintJet, use EFUN 72 below.
- Connect printer to the 5361B.
- Ensure the 5361B is in Profile Function (Toggle Frequency/Profile key to Profile).
- Press Trigger. (External Gate required for CW Sweep.)
- Use Extended Functions (EFUN) 81-89 below to customize your measurement profile.

## Customizing Measurements on INPUT 1

**Measurement Modifiers**

- Set a new Resolution (Frequency) or Sample Rate . . . SET/ENTER → RESOLUTION / SAMPLE RATE → ⇨ / ⇦ → SET/ENTER
- Set a new Average (PRF, PRI, PW, OFFTIME) . . . . . SET/ENTER → RESOLUTION → [Set Average: 0-9] SET/ENTER
- Set FM RATE/TRACK (CW) . . . . . FM RATE/TRACK (Cycle Thru NORMAL, LOW and FAST TRACK)

**Math Modifiers**

- Turn on OFFSET, SCALE, or SMOOTH . . . . . SCALE / OFFSET / SMOOTH (Press again to turn off)
- Set a new OFFSET or SCALE factor . . SET/ENTER → SCALE / OFFSET → [Enter Value: 0-9] SET/ENTER

## Extended Function Entry (EFUN)

**Using Extended Functions**

- Turn on current Extended Function . . . . . EXTEND FUNCT (Press again to turn off most functions)
- Set a new Extended Function . . . . SET/ENTER → EXTEND FUNCT → [Enter Choice: 0-9] SET/ENTER
- Exit an Extended Function . . . . . RESET (Not required for all codes)

| EFUN | —Frequency Profile EFUNs— | EFUN | —Measurement Modifier EFUNs— |
|---|---|---|---|
| 81 | Set START TIME for Frequency Profile | 51 | Down Converter Mode (Set LO between 300-350 MHz) |
| 82 | Set STOP TIME for Frequency Profile | 72 | Set Printer Option |
| 83 | Select FINE or COARSE Data for Frequency Profile | 90 | Set GATE WIDTH in Time |
| 84 | Select TABLE and/or PLOT for Output | 92 | Force PULSE or CW Measurement Mode |
| 85 | Set FILTER ON/OFF for Frequency Profile Plot | 93 | Enable LESS THAN 100 ns PULSE Mode (Manual Mode Only) |
| 86 | Enter ID PREFIX for Frequency Profile Plot | 94 | High Resolution: INPUT 1 PRF/INPUT 2 1MΩ |
| 87 | Set NUMBER OF DATA POINTS (Steps) for Frequency Profile | 95 | Set GATE WIDTH in IF Cycles |
| 88 | Set START IF CYCLE for Frequency Profile | 96 | Enter CHIRP Mode |
| 89 | Set NUMBER OF IF CYCLES PER STEP for Frequency Profile | | |

Refer to Section 2 of the HP 5361B Operating and Programming Manual for more information.

## HOW TO USE THE HP 5361B

Now that you've made some simple pulse/CW measurements and understand the basic operation of the HP 5361B, it's time to look at three typical ways to use this instrument. The examples that follow explain what to do and show how to connect the counter to other devices. The applications are pulse frequency profiling, VCO characterization, and making radar waveform frequency profile measurements. The last application illustrates the more traditional approach to the profiling task requiring extra test equipment such as a delaying pulse generator and external instrument control computer.

## Auto Pulse Profiling

If you need more precise information than the average frequency of a microwave pulse this application may be very useful. By using the Auto Pulse Profile feature, you can determine and measure changes of frequency within the pulse. This is necessary for measurements such as Chirp radar-burst frequency, pulsed Gunn diode oscillator thermal frequency shift, or pulsed magnetron leading edge frequency shift.

Follow the procedure below and refer to *Figure 1-4*, Pulse Profiling Test Setup, to complete this task.

1. Set the 5361B HP-IB address to 31 (Talk Only) by pressing the following keys: SET/ENTER, HP-IB ADDRESS, 3, 1, SET/ENTER.

2. Set the HP ThinkJet/QuietJet printer to Listen Always by ensuring that the Listen Always switch located next to the HP-IB connector is in the UP position. (You must cycle power to the printer to enable this new setting.)

3. Connect the counter's rear panel HP-IB connector to the printer's HP-IB connector with an HP-IB cable. (Do not connect any other HP-IB devices to this interface cable.)

4. Connect a repetitive pulse signal source to INPUT 1 of the 5361B.

5. Set the counter's sample rate to HOLD by pressing these keys: SET/ENTER, SAMPLE RATE, DEC (press until HOLD annunciator goes ON). Then press SET/ENTER again.

6. Ensure that the 5361B is in the PROFILE function by toggling the FREQUENCY/PROFILE key.

7. Press the TRIGGER key. (If you're profiling a CW sweep you'll need to supply an external gate signal to the front panel GATE/ARM IN connector.)

8. Use extended functions 81-89 to customize your measurement profile. (Refer to the fifth block of the Quick Reference Guide for more information.)

*NOTE*

*Extended functions 81 and 82 require short-term signal stability of 70 kHz. If Errors occur while attempting use of these extended functions because of input signal instability, you can still use Efuns 87, 88, and 89 to set up the measurement. The IF period will be 14 ns nominal.*

9. Observe the requested plot/table data output on the printer.

10. If you want to monitor the gating/measurement process within the pulse burst, simply connect the input of a suitable oscilloscope to the counter's front panel "SCOPE-VIEW" output.

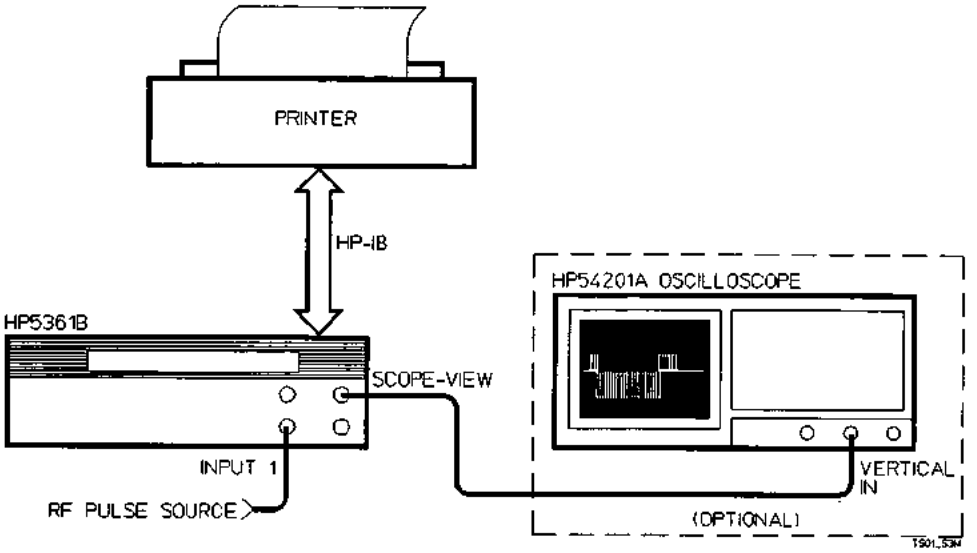



*Figure 1-4. Automatic Pulse Profiling Test Setup*

## VCO Characterization

Another problem you can solve with the HP 5361B is the characterization of microwave VCO tuning linearity. This task can be done automatically through the use of a controller (such as the HP 9000 Series 300 desktop computer) and a programmable DAC (digital-to-analog converter) or pulse generator to provide the voltage stimulus.

Use the following procedure and refer to *Figure 1-5*, VCO Characterization Test Setup, to complete this task. Additional information is available in application note #A.N. 377- 2, "Automatic Characterization of Microwave Voltage Controlled Oscillators," publication number 5952-7988.

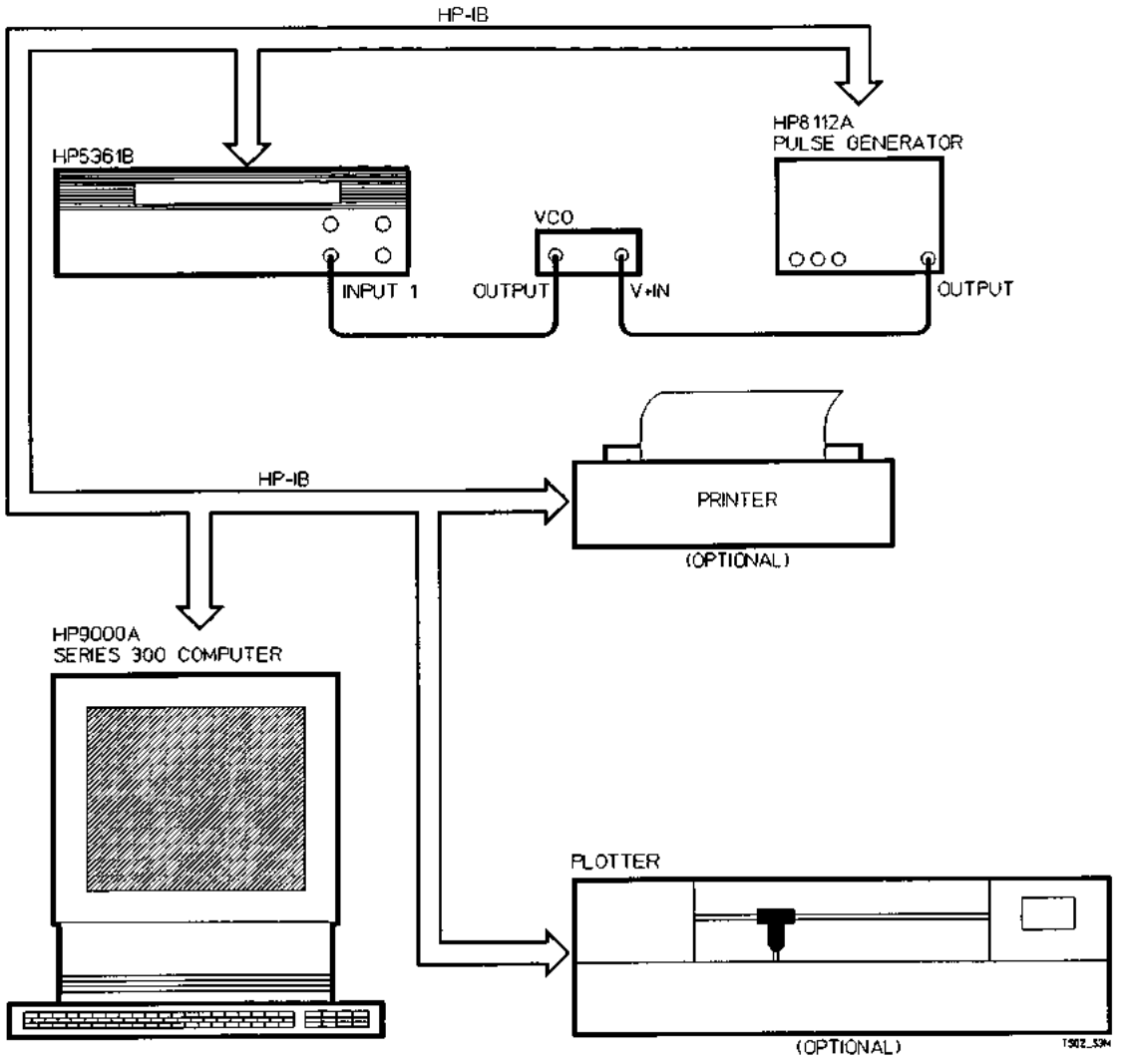



*Figure 1-5. Traditional VCO Characterization Test Setup*

1. Connect the controller, counter, and DAC or Pulse Generator together with two HP-IB cables.

2. Configure these units appropriately to the program you'll run on the controller. (Refer to Section 4 of this manual for details of HP-IB programming.)

3. Connect the output of the DAC/Pulse Generator to the VCO input.

4. Connect the output of the VCO to INPUT 1 of the HP 5361B if the frequency range is 500 MHz - MAX GHz or INPUT 2 if the frequency range is 10 Hz - 525 MHz.

5. If you're using INPUT 2 on the HP 5361B remember to select the correct input impedance (1 MΩ or 50Ω). (Stepped frequency characterization using a programmable DAC.)

6. Run the program you've made and check for proper operation.

7. You can have the controller print or plot the results via HP-IB to a printer or plotter.

## Radar Waveform Frequency Profile Measurements

A specific radar application of the HP 5361B is the measurement of radar waveform parameters. The frequency profile of a pulsed radar signal can be measured by the counter when used with a delaying pulse generator (such as the HP 5359A High Resolution Time Synthesizer) and oscilloscope (such as the HP 54201A Digitizing Oscilloscope). Two microwave attenuators are also used.

The external gate provided from the delaying pulse generator to the counter, can be as narrow as 20 nsec. (Refer to Appendix D for information about Gate width versus accuracy.) The delay time between the trigger to the delaying pulse generator and its output is incremented after each measurement. This causes the measurement window to "walk" through the RF pulse signal

Follow the procedure below and refer to *Figure 1-6*, Radar Test Set-up, to complete this task. Additional information is available in application note #A.N. 377-1, "Automatic Frequency Profiling of Chirped Radar Pulses," publication number 5952-7987.

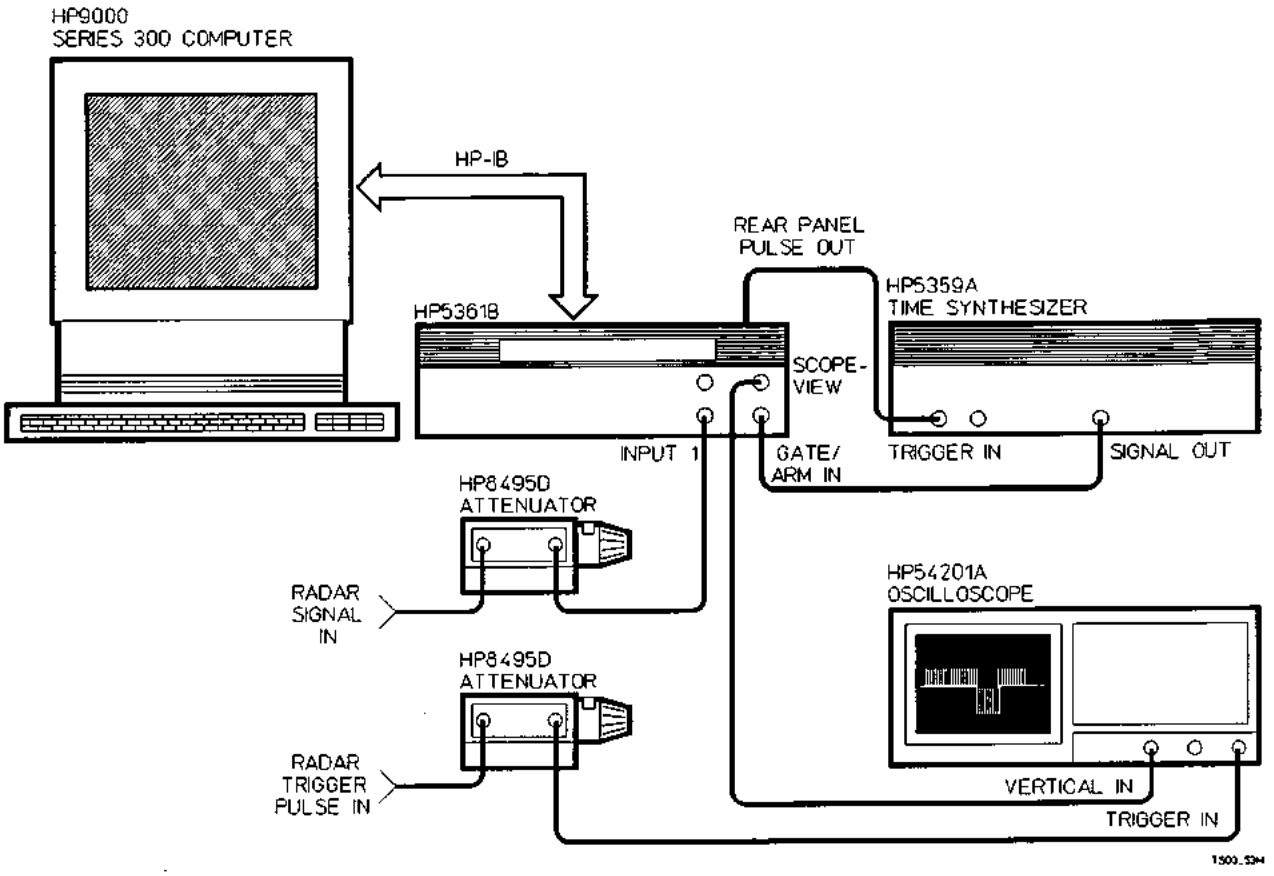



*Figure 1-6. Traditional Radar Profiling Test Set-up*

1. Connect the output of attenuator 1 to the INPUT 1 of the HP 5361B.

2. Connect the output of attenuator 2 to the trigger input of the oscilloscope.

3. Connect the HP 5361B rear panel Pulse Out signal to the trigger input of the delaying pulse generator.

4. Connect the output of the delaying pulse generator to the front panel GATE/ARM input of the HP 5361B.

5. Connect the SCOPE-VIEW output of the HP 5361B to the vertical input of the oscilloscope.

6. Set the HP 5361B to the External gate mode.

7. Adjust the delaying pulse generator to profile the input signal by sweeping the gate through the pulse burst.

8. Use the function keys on the HP 5361B front panel to select the desired pulse parameters.

9. You can optionally connect a controller to the counter for automatic test and data collection.

## OPTIONS

You can select several equipment options available for the HP 5361B as listed in *Table 1-2*. Specifications for the options are listed in Appendix A, *Table A-1*. (When option 700 (MATE) is present, the front panel and HP-IB Auto Profile features are not functional.)

If you've purchased an option with the initial order, it will be installed at the factory and ready for operation at delivery. You can obtain options (except Options 026, 040, and 700) for field installation by ordering the parts listed in Appendix B for a given option. Refer to Appendix B of this manual for installation information.

## ACCESSORIES

The instrument is supplied with a detachable power cable. The power cable supplied will have one of six possible line (mains) connectors, depending on the country of destination. Refer to *Table B-1,* AC Power Cables Available, for the part number of the appropriate cable. *Table 1-3* lists accessories available for the HP 5361B.

*Table 1-2 Options Available*

| Description | HP Part Number |
|---|---|
| Oven Oscillator Timebase<br>(Option 001) | 10811-60111<br>2360-0115 |
| Limiter<br>(Option 006) | 05350-60111<br>5088-7049 |
| High Stability Timebase<br>(Option 010) | 10811-60211<br>2360-0115 |
| 26.5 GHz Frequency Extension<br>(Option 026) | None |
| 40 GHz Frequency Extension<br>(Option 040)<br>(Not available with Option 700) | None |
| MATE (CIIL programming language)<br>(Option 700)<br>(Not available with Option 040) | None |
| Extra Operating and<br>Programming Manual (Option 910) | 05361-90018 |
| Service Manual<br>(Option 915) | 05361-90003 |
| Rack Mount Adapter Kits:<br>With handles attached (Option 913)<br>With handles removed (Option 908) | <br>5062-4071<br>5062-3977 |
| Slide Mount Kit<br>Side Cover (1 required)<br>Slide Assembly (1 pair) | <br>5062-3835<br>1494-0060 |
| Extended Hardware Support<br>(Option W30) | None |
| Calibration Support<br>(Option W32) | None |

Option W30 (Extended Hardware Support) provides two additional years of return-to-HP hardware-service support. Option W30 is available only at time of purchase. Service contracts are available from Hewlett-Packard for instruments which did not include Option W30 at time of purchase. For more information, contact your nearest Hewlett-Packard Sales and Support office (offices are listed at the back of this manual).

## SERVICE EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

Extender boards and cables are available to aid in servicing printed- circuit board assemblies. The extender boards and cables allow assemblies to be extended from their plug-in connectors for monitoring with appropriate test equipment. Refer to *Table C-1,* Recommended Test Equipment, for part numbers for ordering service equipment.

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# FURTHER USE OF THE HP 5361B

## SECTION GUIDE

This section provides you with more ways to get the most accuracy and versatility out of the HP 5361B. Measurement customization features of the counter are covered first followed by the details of measurement functions, modifiers, modes, gating, and data/math manipulation. Brief tutorials are also provided to "walk" you through the use of all front panel keys. Information about extended functions, HP-IB configuration, and remedies for problems is presented at the end of the section.

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## HOW YOUR MEASUREMENTS GET CUSTOMIZED

You can get a better idea of how your measurements get customized by reading the following paragraphs. They can provide you with descriptions of overall operation, functions, and characteristics of your HP 5361B. This information describes what gets done when you use these functions and corresponding keys.

### Overall Description

Your HP 5361B Pulse/CW microwave counter covers a measurement range of 10 Hz to MAX GHz. Signals in the frequency range of 10 Hz to 80 MHz are measured by the direct count method. Signals in the range of 80 MHz to 525 MHz are pre-scaled before counting. Signals in the range of 500 MHz to MAX GHz are down-converted to an intermediate frequency (IF) by HP's harmonic heterodyne down-conversion technique. The counted IF is added to, or subtracted from, a multiple of the local oscillator (LO) frequency to determine the input frequency. See *Figure 1-1,* HP 5361B Simplified High-level Block Diagram, in Section 1 for signal flow information.

The presence of a pulsed or CW signal is automatically determined, measured, and displayed without the need for prior acquisition tuning. All CW frequencies above 500 MHz are measured with user- selectable FM rate tolerance. Sample rate and resolution are adjustable via front panel controls for either pulse or CW signals. When required, you can easily "profile" the frequency change of either pulsed or CW sweep signals.

A microprocessor performs all measurement calculations, taking into account the selected function, resolution, measurement average, FM rate, and math functions. Frequency measurements are displayed in a fixed point format on the front panel liquid crystal display. Segments to the right of the numeric portion of the display are used to display additional, alphanumeric information.

To maximize accuracy and resolution, the instrument counting circuits use a reciprocal counting technique and analog interpolation. Because of this, the counter always makes a "period" measurement (averaged if necessary) of the measurement data, and then computes the results using

the reciprocal of the period measurement. Additional measurement accuracy is obtained through the use of analog interpolators to reduce the inherent one count uncertainty by compensating for time differences between the time base and input trigger events.

Internal gating of the incoming signal permits measurement of both time (P WIDTH, OFFTIME, and PRI) and frequency (PRF and Carrier Frequency) pulse parameters. External gating provides for pulse profiling and remote control of the gate when required. (PWIDTH and OFFTIME measurements can be made with the same results in either internal or external gate mode.)

## Additional Features

The HP 5361B is a fully HP-IB (IEEE Standard 488-1978) programmable instrument, capable of performing all operating functions via local or remote control. In addition to the basic pulse/CW measurement functions, the counter provides the following convenient features:

- Selectable Gate Modes (Arm, External, and Internal) provide a range of Gate options you can use when measuring either pulsed or CW signals. (Arm mode has no effect on CW measurements.)
- Front-panel Gate/Arm In connector provides a conveniently located input for measurement tasks that require triggers from auxiliary equipment.
- Front-panel SCOPE-VIEW output connector provides a unique combination of measured pulse signal superimposed with the measurement gate. Presentation of this signal on an oscilloscope shows the exact relationship of these two signals at a glance.
- Rear-panel pulse output supplies a trigger signal for such applications as pulse profiling in conjunction with a delaying pulse generator.
- Math Functions (offset, scale, and smooth) provide the capability of manipulating measurement data.
- Extended Functions permit checking on various internal measurement parameters that are created and used during the acquisition and measurement process. They also allow you to manually set up a measurement for specific needs.

- Diagnostics (a subset of the extended functions) can perform various internal checks of the counter's circuitry to aid in service and troubleshooting.

## Operating Ranges

There are two basic operating ranges: 10 Hz to 525 MHz (INPUT 2), and 500 MHz to MAX GHz (INPUT 1). Frequencies in the low range are measured directly or are prescaled, while frequencies in the high range are measured using HP's harmonic heterodyne down-conversion technique. Front panel function keys let you select INPUT 1 for signals in the 500 MHz to MAX GHz range, and INPUT 2 for signals in the 10 Hz to 525 MHz range.

Two function keys allow selection of either AUTO or MANUAL acquisition mode for INPUT 1 measurements. The low frequency input has two impedance modes and overlapping frequency ranges. You can select either 50Ω (10 MHz – 525 MHz) or 1MΩ (10 Hz – 80 MHz) input impedance for the INPUT 2 fused BNC connector.

## Resolution

The user selected resolution is the value represented by the least significant digit (LSD) in the display. In the HP 5361B, a maximum resolution of 1 Hz can be selected using the RESOLUTION key, together with the front panel SET/ENTER, INCREMENT and DECREMENT (arrow) keys. A greater resolution is available for INPUT 1 pulse repetition frequency and INPUT 2 measurements via the High Resolution extended function 94.

The displayed numerals of the measurement are grouped in four sections of three digits each for ease in determining GHz, MHz, kHz, and Hz placement. Asterisks or blanks are used as place holders to improve interpretation of the display, depending on the resolution. For example, a signal measured to 100 kHz resolution is displayed using asterisks, as shown below:

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|
| 19 | 499 | 9** | |

– while a signal measured to 1 MHz resolution will be displayed using blanks, as shown below:

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|
| 19 | 499 | | |

When performing a low frequency, high impedance (INPUT 2, 1MΩ) measurement or low pulse repetition frequency measurements, the HP-IB command HIRESOL can be used to set a resolution greater than 1 Hz, up to 0.001 Hz. The resolution obtained depends on the input frequency. High resolution is available through the use of HP-IB or extended function 94.

Refer to the Measurement Modifiers subsection (page 2-41) of this section for details of how to use the resolution function. The RESOLUTION key (page 3-7) is described further in Section 3, Controls and Indicators. Extended function 94 is described on page 2-77.

### Auto Mode

Select the Auto acquisition mode of operation by pressing the AUTO key. Input signals in the 500 MHz – MAX GHz range are acquired, measured, and displayed automatically. When power is initially turned on, the instrument goes into this mode. Refer to the Auto mode description (page 2-23) in the Measurement Modes subsection of this section for details on how to use the Automatic measurement mode. A more detailed description of the AUTO key (page 3-11) can be found in Section 3, Controls and Indicators.

### Manual Mode

Select the manual mode of operation by pressing the MANUAL key. To operate in this mode, input signals in the 1 GHz – MAX GHz range must be known to within 20 MHz (within 3 MHz in the 500 MHz – 1 GHz range), and this frequency (called the Manual Center Frequency) must be specified prior to the measurement. After the MANUAL key has been pressed, the most recent measurement becomes the Manual Center Frequency or you can select a Center Frequency by using the front panel data entry keys. Refer to the Manual mode description (page 2-24) in the Measurement Modes subsection of this section for details on how to use the Manual measurement mode. A more detailed description of the MANUAL key (page 3-12) can be found in Section 3, Controls and Indicators.

### Internal Gating

The counter generates its own internal gate to enable measurements of pulse carrier frequency. The process is normally automatic and transparent to the user. (Internal gating is also used by the Auto Profiling feature.) If your measurement needs require a specific gate width, you can overide the normal setting by calling extended function 90 to specify the necessary gate time.

### External Gating and Arming

External Gating and Arming provide you with greater measurement control and versatility. External gating provides auxiliary control of the measurement gate and is necessary for such things as pulse profiling (INPUT 1 only) and other applications requiring remote timing and control of the measurement gate (INPUT 1 only). External arming is useful when you need to individually trigger each measurement in a train of consecutive pulse bursts (Pulse measurements only). The external gate/arm signal is provided to the HP 5361B via its front panel GATE/ARM IN connector. (Refer to Appendix D for information about advanced measurements with the GATE/ARM input.)

### Gate Modes

Three different gate modes are available via the front panel GATE MODE key: Arm, External, and Internal. Refer to the Gating and Arming subsection (page 2-37) of this section for details on how to use the GATE/ARM IN connector along with the front panel GATE MODE key. A more detailed description of the GATE MODE key (page 3-8) can be found in Section 3, Controls and Indicators.

### Sample Rate

The Sample Rate function sets the dead time between the end of one measurement and the start of the next measurement. The duration of the measurement gating time is determined by the resolution selected. The sample rate is adjustable in steps using the SAMPLE RATE key together with the front panel INCREMENT and DECREMENT (arrow) keys. When the sample rate is set to the maximum (FAST), the counter will make a measurement as frequently as possible. The other extreme (HOLD) causes the counter to hold the last displayed measurement indefinitely, until the TRIGGER key is pressed. Refer to the Measurement Modifiers (page 2-41) subsection of this section for details on how to use the SAMPLE RATE key. A more detailed description of the SAMPLE RATE key (page 3-9) can be found in Section 3, Controls and Indicators.

### FM Tolerance (CW only)

The HP 5361B measures microwave signals modulated in frequency, such as a microwave radio carrier. The FM tolerance specifies the worst case FM deviations and rates which can be present without affecting the counter's ability to acquire the signal. The counter averages out the deviations to measure the actual carrier frequency it can tolerate, up to a maximum deviation of 20 MHz peak-to-peak, at an FM rate equal to or greater than 1 kHz, when the counter is set for normal FM rate tolerance.

### FM Rate and Frequency Tracking (CW only)

The HP 5361B is capable of measuring FM signals at various FM rates by using the FM Rate/Track function. The FM RATE/TRACK key can be used to select Normal Rate, Low Rate, or Track mode. Most measurements can be made with the counter set to Normal Rate mode for signals with 1 kHz or greater rate of deviation.

The Track mode uses a faster acquisition time (with a corresponding loss of low FM rate tolerance) to increase the counter's ability to track signals with FM rates of 300 kHz or greater (for FM deviations up to the maximum specified in *Table A-1*). Conversely, the Low Rate mode uses a longer gate time for harmonic number determination to allow measurements at FM rates as low as 45 Hz for the specified FM deviation.

Refer to the Measurement Modifiers subsection (page 2-49) of this section for details on how to use the FM rate/track function. A more detailed description of the FM RATE/TRACK (page 3-10) key can be found in Section 3, Controls and Indicators. Refer to *Table A-1* for FM Rate/Track and FM deviation specifications.

### AM Tolerance (CW only)

The HP 5361B is capable of measuring a signal within typical AM modulation index boundaries as described in the Specifications, Appendix A of this manual. The minimum signal level must be greater than the sensitivity specification, and the maximum signal level less than the maximum operating level specification.

### Offset Values

The Offset function lets you add or subtract a constant value to/from a frequency or pulse parameter measurement. For example, when measuring a radio IF and knowing the LO, the counter can be set to display the RF input by entering the LO frequency as a positive offset. When tuning an oscillator to a specific frequency, it may be easier to enter the desired

frequency as a negative offset and then tune the oscillator until the counter display reads zero.

Offset values are entered using the OFFSET key together with front panel number keys, or the Last V (Last Value) key. Refer to the Math Modifiers subsection (page 2-51) of this section for details on how to use the offset function. A more detailed description of the OFFSET key (page 3-5) can be found in Section 3, Controls and Indicators.

**Scale** The Scale function keys let you multiply the measured frequency/pulse parameter by a scaling factor selected on the keyboard. The scaling factor is set using the SCALE key together with front panel number keys. When entered, the measured frequency is multiplied by this factor, and the resulting product is displayed by the counter. Scale factors can range from 0.0001 to 9999.

When the entered scale factor is a whole or mixed number, multiplication results. If the entered scale factor is a decimal fraction, multiplication still occurs, but the results may be viewed as a quotient. You may effectively perform a division problem by taking the reciprocal of a divisor, using it as your scale factor.

The Scale function can also be used together with the Offset function ((Vin ×Scale) + Offset). Refer to the Math Modifiers subsection (page 2-55) of this section for details on how to use scale factors. A more detailed description of the SCALE key (page 3-6) can be found in Section 3, Controls and Indicators.

**Smooth** The Smooth function provides a means of "smoothing" the display for easier reading, and is turned on or off by pressing the SMOOTH key. When the Smooth function is on, the counter displays only digits that are relatively stable, and keeps a running average of the measurements to remove small deviations and increase displayed digits. The smooth function is available only for CW and pulse carrier frequency measurements. Refer to the Math Modifiers subsection (page 2-57) of this section for details on how to use the smooth function. A more detailed description of the SMOOTH key (page 3-6) can be found in Section 3, Controls and Indicators.

## Self Check/Cal

The Self Check function lets you make a quick operational verification of the counter and performs a gate bias calibration. Just press the SELF CHECK/CAL key to call this functional test and calibration. Self Check calls up program subroutines to test the measurement circuitry and calibrate the gating circuits. Refer to the Extended Functions (page 2-58) and What To Do If There Is a Problem (page 2-81) subsections of this section for details on how to use the Self Check/Cal function. A more detailed description of the SELF CHECK/CAL key (page 3-9) can be found in Section 3, Controls and Indicators.

## Extended Functions

The HP 5361B has a variety of extended function routines that provide additional measurement information, provide custom measurement setups, and perform various tests on the instrument for troubleshooting. The extended function mode is turned on by pressing the EXTEND FUNCT key. A particular extended function (EFUN) may be selected using the EXTEND FUNCT key together with front panel number or arrow keys. Refer to the extended function descriptions (page 2-58) and What To Do If There Is a Problem (page 2-81) subsection of this section for details on how to use extended functions. A more detailed description of the EXTEND FUNCT key (page 3-8) can be found in Section 3, Controls and Indicators.

## Remote Operation

The HP-IB connector on the rear panel of the counter is compatible with the HP 10833A/B/C/D HP-IB cables, allowing the HP 5361B to be operated remotely within the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus system. In remote operation, all counter functions normally available by front panel control (except POWER/STBY and setting the HP-IB Address) are also available via HP-IB.

The HP-IB system allows interconnection of up to 15 HP-IB compatible instruments (including the controller). The HP-IB cables have identical piggyback connectors on both ends so that several cables can be joined to a single source without special adapters or switch boxes. System components and devices may be connected in virtually any desired configuration.

Refer to the HP-IB Configuration discussion (page 2-80) of this section for details of how to display and change the HP-IB address. Interconnection data concerning the HP 5361B rear panel HP-IB connector and restrictions on the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus connection are located at the

beginning of section 4 of this manual. Section 4 also contains remote programming information for the HP-IB.

## HOW OPTIONS EXPAND AND MODIFY MEASUREMENT CAPABILITIES

The operating characteristics of the HP 5361B are affected by the addition of any of the options described in the following paragraphs. Refer to *Table A-1* for all option specifications.

### Option 001 Oven Oscillator Time Base

With the addition of the Option 001 Oven Oscillator, the effects of temperature variations are reduced, and short-term stability and aging rate are improved. Improved aging allows extended calibration periods. The oven temperature is maintained when the HP 5361B POWER switch is in either the ON or STBY position (provided that ac power is connected to the instrument). When the OVEN annunciator on the front panel display is lit, the oscillator is warming. When the oven is at the proper temperature, the OVEN annunciator goes out.

### Option 006 Limiter

Option 006 provides additional input protection for the HP 5361B by the insertion of a limiter between the front panel high frequency connector (INPUT 1) and the input circuitry. Option 006 increases the damage level specification of the instrument, as listed in *Table A-1* under Option 006 Increased Damage Level. An HP 5361B will have its damage level increased by about 10 to 14 dB for CW inputs, depending on frequency, and may increase by as much as 25 dB for pulsed applications.

### Option 010 High Stability Time Base

The addition of the Option 010 High Stability Oven Oscillator improves the aging rate over that of the Option 001 Oscillator, allowing further extended calibration periods of up to five years. The oven temperature is maintained in exactly the same way as for the Option 001 Oscillator, and the OVEN annunciator on the front panel display performs identically, lighting when the oven is warming, and going out when the oven is at the proper temperature.

### Option 026 26.5 GHz Frequency Extension

Option 026 extends the frequency range of the HP 5361B to 26.5 GHz. Refer to Appendix A for option 026 specification information.

### Option 040 40 GHz Frequency Extension

Option 040 extends the frequency range of the HP 5361B to 40 GHz. Refer to Appendix A for option 040 specification information. (Not available with Option 700.)

### Option 700 Internal CIIL Interface (MATE)

The addition of Option 700 (Factory installable only) permits remote operation via the CIIL programming language. This programming language is required by the United States Air Force for its Modular Automated Test Equipment (MATE) programs and facilities. (Not available with Option 040.)

## USING THE HP 5361B

The following paragraphs provide detailed operating information and instructional procedures for each major functional mode of the HP 5361B. Within each specific measurement mode, a considerable amount of flexibility is present for both the type of input signal and measurement technique. These operating guidelines should assist in making the most useful and accurate measurements possible.

The remainder of this section is organized as follows:

1. Measurement Modes
2. Making Pulse Measurements
3. Gating and Arming
4. Using Measurement Modifiers
5. Using Math Modifiers
6. Extended Functions and HP-IB Configuration
7. What To Do If There Is A Problem

The following paragraphs provide you with information about inspection before use, power-up/warm-up, operator's checks and maintenance, maximum input signal power, and both preliminary and detailed operating procedures. Before using your HP 5361B for the first time its a good idea to perform the following warm-up procedure and all operator checks.

### Power-up/Warm-up

The HP 5361B requires a power source of 100-, 115/120-volts ac rms, +5%, –10%, 47.5 – 440 Hz single phase, or 220-, 230/240-volts ac rms, +5%, –10%, 47.5 – 66 Hz single-phase; 100VA maximum. The selection of the line voltage and input power fuse is described in Appendix B, Installation, under

"Line Voltage and Fuse Selection". Safety considerations are described at the beginning of this manual.

*CAUTION*

***To prevent damage to the instrument, make sure that the voltage selector card is set to the voltage of the power source, and that the correct fuse is installed, before connecting the instrument to ac power lines. Refer to Appendix B.***

The HP 5361B has a two position (STBY/ON) power switch. For the Option 001 Oven Oscillator Timebase or the Option 010 High Stability Timebase, it is important that the instrument remain connected to the power source in the Standby (STBY) mode when not in use. This supplies power to the crystal oscillator oven, maintaining a constant oven temperature, thus eliminating the need for a warm-up period. Power also remains supplied to portions of the microprocessor RAM saving such things as front panel setup parameters. When the Standby mode is not active, and power has been disconnected from the instrument, you should allow 30 minutes from the application of external power in the ON mode for the instrument (crystal oven) to warm-up.

*WARNING*

**BEFORE APPLYING AC POWER, THE INSTRUMENT AND ALL PROTECTIVE EARTH TERMINALS, EXTENSION CORDS, AUTO-TRANSFORMERS, AND DEVICES CONNECTED TO THE INSTRUMENT SHOULD BE CONNECTED TO A PROTECTIVE EARTH GROUNDED SOCKET. ANY INTERRUPTION OF THE PROTECTIVE EARTH GROUNDING WILL CAUSE A POTENTIAL SHOCK HAZARD THAT COULD RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY.**

## Operator's Checks

The following procedures verify the basic operation of the HP 5361B. These tests are not intended to confirm the overall accuracy or performance specifications of the instrument. They should, however, provide you with a quick method of determining that the counter is operating properly. Two operator tests are described below: a Power-Up Self Check/Cal, and a Keyboard Check. If you haven't done so

already, you should familiarize yourself with the checks by performing both.

*CAUTION*

***Before you switch on the instrument, ensure the following:***

1. ***The voltage selector card is set to match the available line voltage. (Refer to Appendix B, Installation, Line Voltage and Fuse Selection).***
2. ***The correct fuse is installed. (Refer to Appendix B as above.)***
3. ***All safety precautions and WARNINGS have been observed.***

**POWER-UP SELF CHECK**

To perform the Power-Up Self Check/Cal after the instrument has been turned on, cycle the POWER switch to STBY (Standby), then back to ON. During the Power-Up Self Check/Cal, all front panel LCD display segments and annunciators light momentarily, followed by the message "FUNC 54 CALIBRATING", then momentary display of the current HP-IB address. When all calibration and tests have been successfully completed, the counter measurement status is restored to conditions set before the POWER switch was cycled. (Note that the Power-Up Self Check/Cal is a more extensive test of the instrument than that carried out when the front panel SELF CHECK/CAL key is pressed. Refer to the extended function descriptions for details.

If ac power was applied to the instrument prior to power-up, the counter will initialize itself to the following conditions when the POWER switch is set to ON:

a. Measurement modes:

| | |
|---|---|
| Auto (signal acquisition) | – ON |
| Manual (signal acquisition) | – OFF |
| Manual CF | – 1 GHz |
| Low Frequency 50Ω | – OFF |
| Low Frequency 1MΩ | – OFF |
| Low PRF Mode (Pulse Only) | – OFF |
| <100 ns Pulse Mode (EFUN 93) | – OFF |
| Chirp Mode (EFUN 96) | – OFF |

b. Measurement functions:

| | |
|---|---|
| Carrier Frequency | – ON |
| Frequency Profile | – OFF |
| Pulse Width | – OFF |
| Pulse Offtime | – OFF |
| Pulse Repetition Frequency | – OFF |
| Pulse Repetition Interval | – OFF |

c. Gate Mode – INTERNAL

d. Measurement modifiers:

| | |
|---|---|
| Sample Rate | – FAST |
| Resolution | – 1 MHz INPUT 1/ 1 Hz INPUT 2 |
| Pulse Averaging | – 1 (OFF) |
| FM Rate/Track | – NORMAL (CW only) |
| High Resolution | – OFF |

e. Math functions:

| | |
|---|---|
| Offset | – OFF, 0 Hz |
| Scale | – OFF, 1.000 |
| Smooth | – OFF |

f. HP-IB address – Rear panel switch setting

g. Extended Functions – OFF, 1

After the counter has initialized, the AUTO and FM NORM (CW only) annunciators are on, and the counter begins counting, if an input has been applied to INPUT 1. If no input has been applied to INPUT 1, the display will show all zeros, as follows:

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|
| 00 | 000 | 000 | 000 |

**KEYBOARD CHECK** Press the following key sequence: SET/ENTER, EXTENDED FUNCTIONS, 7,0, SET/ENTER. The instrument is now in the Keyboard Test extended function (EFUN 70). The following message is displayed:

*KEY TEST A7 F 70*

In the Keyboard Test, pressing front panel keys causes the display to change in response to the particular key being pressed. The new display remains until another key is pressed. For example, pressing the TRIGGER key will cause the display to change to the following:

*KEY TRIGGER A7 F 70*

When performing the Keyboard Test, the keys may be pressed in any order, except the RESET/LOCAL key. You should press each of the keys and make sure that the associated message for each key is displayed, as listed below.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *FREQ* | *OFFSET* | *RESOL* | *SELF CK* | *50 OHM* |
| *PW/OFF* | *SCALE* | *GATE MD* | *HP-IB* | *1 MOHM* |
| *PRF/PRI* | *SMOOTH* | *FUNC* | *FM RATE* | *AUTO* |
| *RESET* | *SET* | *SAMP RT* | *TRIGGER* | *MANUAL* |

Pressing the RESET/LOCAL key will cause the instrument to display "RESET" momentarily, and then exit from the test.

## Operator's Maintenance

The only maintenance the operator should normally perform is replacement (when necessary) of two fuses: the primary power fuse (F1) located within the AC Power Input Module on the rear panel, and the Low Frequency Input fuse (J2F1) located in the front panel INPUT 2 connector. Refer to Appendix B, Installation, *Figures B-1,* Changing the Line Fuse and Selecting the Line Voltage, and *B-3,* Details of INPUT 2 Connector and Low Frequency Input Fuse.

*CAUTION*

***Make sure that only fuses with the required rate current and voltage ratings and of the time delay (slow-blow) type are used for replacement of the primary power fuse. Do not use repaired fuses or short-circuited fuse holders.***

The low frequency input fuse J2F1 is a 1/8A fuse (HP Part Number 2110-0301) located within the INPUT 2 BNC connector J2 (HP Part Number 1250-1899), as shown in *Figure B-3.* To replace the fuse, disconnect the power cord,

unscrew the BNC barrel and, with needle-nose pliers, remove and replace the fuse. Reinstall the BNC barrel, and tighten using a 7/16 inch wrench. Tighten to 20 inch-pounds.

## Maximum Input Signal Power

The following paragraphs describe in detail the limitations and cautions associated with front panel inputs 1 and 2.

### HIGH FREQUENCY INPUT (INPUT 1)

*CAUTION*

***Do not exceed +25 dBm (peak) input power (or +/-4V dc) at the INPUT 1 connector (500 MHz - MAX GHz). Damage to the internal sampler may occur.***

***The HP 5361B functions within its specifications for signal inputs up to +7 dBm in the 500 MHz - MAX Ghz range. Under no circumstances should the input level to the HP 5361B ever exceed +25 dBm, peak. If the input power exceeds +25 dBm, permanent damage to the internal sampler may occur.***

***Measurements from +7 to +25 dBm are not recommended, as false readings may occur. When signal levels exceed +7 dBm, external attenuators should be used to reduce the signal power.***

*NOTE*

*A level indication may appear on the front panel display under high input signal conditions or during the IF AGC settling time. A power meter or similar device may be used to verify that the input signal level does not exceed INPUT 1 specifications. DO NOT DEPEND ON THE LEVEL INDICATION FOR THIS PURPOSE.*

### LOW FREQUENCY INPUT (INPUT 2)

The 10 Hz – 525 MHz Low Frequency input BNC connector contains a fuse to provide protection from input levels which exceed the specified damage level for INPUT 2: 5.5V rms (+28 dBm). Refer to the Operator's Maintenance previously discussed for instructions on how to change the front panel fuse.

*CAUTION*

***The INPUT 2 damage level described above is only a simplified form of the complete specification. Refer to Table A-1 for the complete Damage Level specification for INPUT 2.***

INPUT CABLE CONSIDERATIONS

Consideration should be given to input cable losses at higher frequencies. For example, a 6-foot length of RG-214/U coaxial cable has about 15 dB loss at 18 GHz. At frequencies beyond 20 GHz, waveguides may be used to help minimize loses depending on such factors as the total number of devices in a test setup and the overall attenuation. Such losses must be taken into consideration along with the sensitivity specifications given in *Table A-1.*

## Preliminary Procedures

Preliminary procedures provide you with the initial steps to perform prior to actual measurement of pulse/CW signals input to the front panel.

1. On the rear panel:

   a. Ensure that the ac power module has the proper fuse installed: 1.0A time delay (slow-blow) for 100/120-volt operation, 0.5A time-delay (slow-blow) for 220/240-volt operation. Be certain the position of the printed circuit line voltage selector card is set for the correct voltage. (Refer to Appendix B, Installation, and to associated warnings and cautions in Appendix B of this manual for detailed instructions).

   b. For remote operation, refer to Section 4 for an explanation of HP-IB programming, and *Figure 4-1* for information on setting the HP-IB address switch on the rear panel.

   c. Insert the three-conductor power cable (W1) into the ac power module of the HP 5361B, and insert the mains plug of the power cable into a power outlet equipped with a protective earth ground.

2. On the front panel:

   a. When the POWER switch is set to STBY, the red LED next to the POWER switch should light with ac power is applied.

b. Set the POWER switch to ON; the red LED should go out.

*NOTE*

*When using INPUT 1, do not exceed +25 dBm (peak) input power (or +/- 4V dc) at the input connector (500 MHz-MAX GHz). Damage to the internal sampler may occur.*

*A level indication may appear on the front panel display under high input signal conditions or during the IF AGC settling time. A power meter or similar device may be used to verify that the input signal level does not exceed INPUT 1 specifications. DO NOT DEPEND ON THE LEVEL INDICATION FOR THIS PURPOSE.*

*CAUTION*

***The INPUT 2 BNC connector (10 Hz-525 MHz) is fuse-protected from input levels which exceed the specified damage level of 5.5V rms (+28 dBm).***

3. Connect input signal to the input connector that is appropriate for the frequency being measured: INPUT 1 N-type or APC 3.5 connector for 500 MHz – MAX GHz and INPUT 2 BNC connector for 10 Hz – 525 MHz.

4. For input signals connected to the INPUT 2 (BNC) connector, press the 50Ω or the 1MΩ front panel key as required. Pressing one of the INPUT 2 keys disables the INPUT 1 circuitry.

## Detailed Operating Procedures

The following paragraphs explain how you use the front panel keys once the unit is on and an input signal is connected. In addition, parameter entry, keyboard memory, data entry problems, and power-up default values are covered. The term "Power-up" refers to connecting ac power to the instrument and then turning it on, as distinct from "Standby", which assumes that ac power is continuously connected. A table that summarizes the HP 5361B measurement capabilities is provided at the end of this subsection.

If the POWER switch is turned from ON to STBY and then back to ON, the counter retains the setup conditions active before the POWER switch was toggled. Exceptions to this include the HP-IB interface, which is cleared, and extended

functions, which default to power-up conditions: EFUN 1, OFF. Refer to *Table 2-1* for a list of all Power-Up default and Standby conditions. The HP 5361B can be "Preset" to the power-up default values without cycling power by using the following keys: first press Set/Enter, then Reset/Local. All parameters will return to default except the HP-IB address.

Most of the remaining procedures include an example of a typical display for the operation being described. Some multi-key procedures show examples of displays that occur at certain points in the indicated key sequence. The actual contents of each function display depend on the function in progress, and on the frequency being measured.

The HP 5361B has six basic measurement modes:

- Pulse Measurement Mode
- CW Measurement Mode
- Automatic Signal Acquisition (INPUT 1, 500 MHz – MAX GHz)
- Manual Signal Acquisition (INPUT 1, 500 MHz – MAX GHz)
- Low Frequency 50Ω (INPUT 2, 10 MHz – 525 MHz)
- Low Frequency 1MΩ (INPUT 2, 10 Hz – 80 MHz)

When first powered-up, the instrument comes on in the Automatic Signal Acquisition mode and can automatically determine whether a pulse or CW signal is present at INPUT 1. If the counter is turned on from Standby, the measurement mode is whatever was previously set. To change to any other measurement mode, press the corresponding key. Pressing the key for the currently active mode has no effect. *Table 2-1* lists parameter power-up default values and ranges for various functions of the HP 5361B.

Using certain functions, such as Offset, Scale, or Average may involve the entry of numeric data using the Control/Data keys. Other functions allow selection of their parameter values from a specific range using the INC (increment) and DEC (decrement) keys, such as Sample Rate and Resolution. Still other functions simply toggle, such as OFFTIME, PRI, or the Smooth function. If the user should attempt to enter the incorrect type of data as a function parameter value, the

counter displays one of the following messages to indicate the type of data entry required:

*PLEASE USE ARROW KEYS*
*— or —*
*PLEASE USE DIGIT KEYS*

If data entry is attempted for a toggle function, the counter displays:

*TOGGLE FUNCTION ONLY*

## Entering Parameter Values

Parameter value entry always begins by pressing the SET/ENTER key once, and stops by pressing the SET/ENTER key a second time. While entering a parameter value, you may abort the entry sequence at any time by pressing the RESET/LOCAL key. The counter then returns to the state it was in before the SET/ENTER key was pressed.

After you've pressed the SET/ENTER key once, the display shows "SET", and the counter waits for a function key to be pressed. After the SET/ENTER and the function key have been pressed, the keyboard is in the parameter entry mode, and the data entry assignment of each Control/Data key is accessible. (Refer to *Table 3-2*). The response to each key depends on the specific function involved. The INC, (increment) and DEC (decrement) keys repeat if held down. The function names appear in the right hand portion of the display during entry of the parameter value.

As an added convenience, you may use the GHz/ms, MHz/$\mu$s, or kHz/ns key functions when entering manual frequency or time values. Begin as above by pressing SET/ENTER, enter your data, then press the appropriate frequency/time unit key without pressing SET/ENTER a second time. Use of these keys lets you avoid entry of multiple zeros and results in fewer keystrokes needed to make a given data entry.

*Table 2-1. Parameter Ranges and Default Values*

| Parameter | Range of Values | Power-up Values | Standby |
|---|---|---|---|
| Measurement Mode | Auto, Manual, 50Ω, 1MΩ | Auto | saved* |
| Manual Center Frequency | 500 MHz to 20 GHz On, Off | 1 GHz, Off | saved |
| Offset Frequency | ± 0 Hz to 999.9 GHz On, Off | 0 Hz, Off | saved |
| Scale Factor | ± 0.0001 to 9999 On, Off | 1.000, Off | saved |
| Smooth | On, Off | Off | saved |
| Sample Rate | Fast, 0.5s, 1.5s, 3s, 5s, 10s, Hold | Fast | saved |
| Averaging | 1 to 9,999 On, Off | 1, Off | saved |
| Resolution | 1 Hz, 10 Hz, 100 Hz, 1 kHz, 10 kHz, 1 MHz | 1 Hz | saved** |
| Gate Mode | Arm, External, Internal | Internal | saved |
| HP-IB Address | 0 to 31 | Rear panel | saved switch |
| Extended Func. | 1 to 99 On, Off | 1, Off | 1, Off |
| FM Rate/Track | Normal, Low, Track | Normal | saved |
| High Resolution | On, Off | Off | saved |

*Low PRF, <100 ns Pulse, and Chirp Mode are not saved and are OFF at power-on.

**The resolution for the selected input is saved at power-off. The resolution for the alternate input is lost. The appropriate default is used at power-on: 1 MHz for INPUT 1, 1 Hz for INPUT 2.

## Keyboard Memory

Whenever the instrument is set to Standby, the microprocessor automatically stores the front panel settings, as long as its connected to an ac power source. When the instrument is turned back on, it is set to the last front panel settings. This avoids having to re-enter math constants, functions or data, whenever the instrument is switched to Standby. If ac power is applied to the counter just prior to turn-on, all function parameters are initialized to their power-up default values. Parameter value ranges and default values are shown in *Table 2-1*. The HP 5361A can be "Preset" to the power-up default values without cycling power by using the following keys: first press Set/Enter, then Reset/Local. All parameters return to default except the HP-IB address.

## Data Entry Considerations

Certain parameters, such as offset values or scale factors, are entered as numeric data, using the Function/Data keys. Other parameter values can be selected from a specific range using the INC (increment) and DEC (decrement) keys, as with the Sample Rate and Resolution parameters. Still other parameters are simply toggle functions, as for example the Smooth or FM Rate Tolerance parameters. If you attempt to enter the incorrect type of data as a parameter value, the counter

USE DIGIT KEYS" to indicate the type of data entry required. If data entry is attempted for a toggle function, the counter displays "TOGGLE FUNCTION ONLY".

*Table* 2-2, Measurement Capability Cross Reference Chart, summarizes all of the Pulse/CW measurement functions, modes, modifiers, and gating capabilities of the HP 5361B Pulse/CW Microwave Counter.

*Table 2-2. Measurement Capability Cross-Reference Chart*

| | Acquisition Mode | | Measurement Modifier | | FM Rate | | | MATH Modifier | | | Gate/Arm | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pulsed Measurement | Auto | Manual | Resol/ Avg | Samp Rate | L | N | T | Offset | Scale | Smooth | Int | Ext | Arm |
| P WIDTH | YES | YES | YES | YES | N/A | N/A | N/A | YES | YES | NO | YES | NO | YES |
| OFFTIME | YES | YES | YES | YES | N/A | N/A | N/A | YES | YES | NO | YES | NO | NO |
| PRF | YES | YES | YES | YES | N/A | N/A | N/A | YES | YES | NO | YES | NO | YES |
| PRI | YES | YES | YES | YES | N/A | N/A | N/A | YES | YES | NO | YES | NO | YES |
| FREQ | YES | YES | YES | YES | N/A | N/A | N/A | YES | YES | YES | YES | YES | YES |
| PROFILE | YES | YES | YES | YES | N/A | N/A | NA | YES | YES | NO | YES | YES | YES |
| | Acquisition Mode | | Measurement Modifier | | FM Rate | | | MATH Modifier | | | Gate/Arm | | |
| CW Measurement | Auto | Manual | Resol | Samp Rate/Avg | L | N | T | Offset | Scale | Smooth | Int | Ext | Arm |
| FREQ | YES | YES | YES | YES | YES | YES | YES | YES | YES | YES | YES | YES | N/A |

## MEASUREMENT MODES

Each tutorial operating procedure shows you the key (or key sequence, as necessary) to be pressed to perform the desired function, and resulting display. A brief description of the effect of each function is given, and the allowable range for any parameter values are described, if applicable. The Power-up default conditions for each function are also given, with the term "Power-up" referring to connecting ac power to the instrument and then turning it on, as distinct from "Standby", which assumes that ac power is continuously connected.

## Power-up Default Values

The counter powers-up to the following six basic measurement mode defaults (See *Table 2-1* for details):

Pulse/CW
Signal Determination – AUTO
Auto (Signal Acquisition) – ON
Manual (Signal Acquisition) – OFF
Manual Center Frequency (CF) – 1 GHz
Low Frequency, 50Ω – OFF
Low Frequency, 1MΩ – OFF

## Automatic Measurement Mode (AUTO)

This procedure describes how to set the measurement mode for INPUT 1 to Automatic. For instance, if you want to make an automatic measurement of a 1.000 000 000 GHz signal, perform the following action.

**Press: AUTO**

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz. |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** 1 | 000 | | |

(AUTO annunciator goes on)

**Effect:** Turns ON Automatic Measurement Mode (INPUT 1, 500 MHz – MAX GHz). To exit this mode, press one of the other measurement mode keys; pressing the AUTO key a second time has no effect. The instrument powers-up in this mode.

**Parameter Value Range:** Toggle function.

**Note:** This key applies to signal acquisition only and causes the counter to automatically tune to the frequency of the signal present at INPUT 1. The Auto function key does not control the instrument's ability to automatically distinguish between Pulse or CW signals.

## Manual Measurement Mode (MANUAL)

This procedure describes how to set the measurement mode for INPUT 1 to Manual. For instance, if you want to make a manual measurement of the last Auto measurement of 1.200 000 000 GHz, perform the following action.

**Press: MANUAL**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz, | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | *1* | *200* | | | *MANUAL* |

(display shows new CF momentarily, then returns to measurement display; MAN annunciator goes on)

**Effect:** Turns ON Manual Measurement Mode (INPUT 1, 500 MHz - MAX GHz), and sets Manual Center Frequency (CF) to value of last Auto measurement. To exit this mode, press one of the other measurement mode keys; pressing the MANUAL key a second time has no effect.

**Parameter Value Range:** Last Auto measurement value must be within 500 MHz - MAX GHz. If last Auto measurement attempt was unsuccessful, the Manual CF remains at the previous setting.

**Note:** This key applies to signal acquisition only and causes the counter to seek a signal at the frequency of the last automatic measurement or subsequent manually entered CF. The Manual function key does not control the instrument's ability to automatically distinguish between Pulse or CW signals.

## Set Manual Center Frequency

This procedure describes how to set a desired Center Frequency (CF) while in the manual measurement mode. In the example below you are shown how to set a CF of 12.3 GHz

**Press: SET/ENTER, MANUAL, 1, 2, 3, 0, 0, SET/ENTER**

— or —

**SET/ENTER, MANUAL, 1, 2, • , 3, GHz**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | *12* | *300* | | | *MANUAL* |

— then —

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | *12* | *300* | *000* | *000* | *MANUAL* |

(displays new CF momentarily, then returns to measurement display; MAN annunciator goes on)

**Effect:** Sets Manual Center Frequency, turns ON Manual Measurement Mode (INPUT 1, 500 MHz – MAX GHz). Instrument begins to count using new Center Frequency. To exit this mode, press one of the other measurement mode keys.

**Parameter Value Range:** 500 MHz – MAX GHz. If no Manual CF value is entered, the CF remains the last entered value, or defaults to 1 GHz. The CF must be no more than 20 MHz from the frequency to be measured, (within 3 MHz for frequencies below 1 GHz).

## Set Manual Center Frequency to Last Measured Frequency

This procedure describes how to set a Center Frequency (CF) to the last measured frequency while in the manual measurement mode. This may be useful when you want to re-center the signal within the counter's IF. In the example below you are shown how to set a CF of 850 MHz.

**Press: SET/ENTER, MANUAL, LST VAL**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | | *850* | *000* | *000* | *MANUAL* |

(new CF entered, counter begins manual measurement)

**Effect:** Sets Manual CF to value of last measurement, and turns ON Manual Measurement Mode (INPUT 1, 500 MHz – MAX GHz). Instrument begins to count using new Center Frequency. To exit this mode, press one of the other measurement mode keys.

**Parameter Value Range:** Last measurement value must be within 500 MHz – MAX GHz. If last measurement attempt was unsuccessful, the Manual CF remains at the previous setting.

## High/Low Measurement Band Modes (Option 040 Only)

This procedure describes how to use the High and Low Band Measurement Modes available when Option 040 is installed. The optional 500 MHz - 40 GHz frequency range is divided up into two overlapping measurement bands designated High and Low.

The High band frequency range is 12 GHz - 40 GHz. The Low band frequency range is between 500 MHz - 29 GHz. In addition, when the counter is operating in "High" band, the front panel "High" Band annunciator is ON. The example below shows how to switch from one band to the other.

**Press: SET/ENTER, FREQUENCY**

**Observe:** *LOWER FREQ BAND*

(High band annunciator turns OFF)

**Press: SET/ENTER, FREQUENCY**

**Observe:** *HIGHER FREQ BAND*

(High band annunciator Turns ON)

**Effect:** Cycles HP 5361B counter equiped with option 040 between High and Low frequency bands.

**Parameter Value Range:** Highband or Lowband

**Power-up Default:** Highband

Note: For most measurement applications the High frequency band will make typical pulse measurements all the way down to 500 MHz. Some applications may need acquisition times and pulse width requirements available in Low band only. Refer to Appendix A for exact specifications.

## Low Frequency, 50Ω Measurement Mode

This procedure describes how to use the low frequency 50Ω measurement mode for INPUT 2. The example below shows measurement of a 325 MHz signal.

**Press: 50Ω**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | | 325 | 000 | 000 |

(50Ω annunciator goes on)

**Effect:** Turns ON Low Frequency, 50Ω measurement Mode (INPUT 2, 10 MHz – 525 MHz). To exit this mode, press one of the other measurement mode keys; pressing the 50Ω key a second time has no effect.

**Parameter Value Range:** Toggle function.

**Note:** If the frequency of the signal is between 80 MHz and 500 MHz, the 50Ω key must be pressed for correct signal measurement.

## Low Frequency, 1MΩ Measurement Mode

This procedure describes how to use the low frequency 1MΩ measurement mode for INPUT 2. The example below shows measurement of a 50 MHz signal.

**Press: 1MΩ**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | | 50 | 000 | 000 |

(1MΩ annunciator goes on)

**Effect:** Turns ON Low Frequency, 1MΩ Measurement Mode (Input 2, 10 Hz – 80 MHz). To exit this mode, press one of the other measurement mode keys; pressing the 1MΩ key a second time has no effect.

**Parameter Value Range:** Toggle function.

**Note:** If the frequency of the signal is between 10 Hz and 10 MHz, the 1MΩ key must be pressed for correct signal measurement.

## MAKING PULSE MEASUREMENTS

This subsection provides you with detailed information on how to make various kinds of pulse measurements. Pulse envelope characteristics and terminology are discussed first followed by pulse measurement procedures.

Detailed information about Gating and Arming is contained in the next subsection. When making Chirp radar measurements, you must use extended function 96 (refer to pages 2-78 and D-6).

### Pulse Envelope Characteristics and Terminology

The HP 5361B can make six different kinds of pulse burst measurements: Pulse Carrier Frequency, Pulse/CW Carrier Frequency Profile, Pulse Width Time, Pulse Off Time, Pulse Repetition Frequency, and Pulse Repetition Interval (time). These measurement functions correspond to the following front panel function keys respectively: FREQUENCY, PROFILE, P WIDTH, OFFTIME, PRF, and PRI (1/PRF). The relationships of these parameters are shown in *Figure 2-1*, Pulse and CW Signal Parameters, and summarized in *Table 2-3*, Pulse and CW Signal Parameters.

*Figure 2-1. Pulse and CW Signal Parameters*

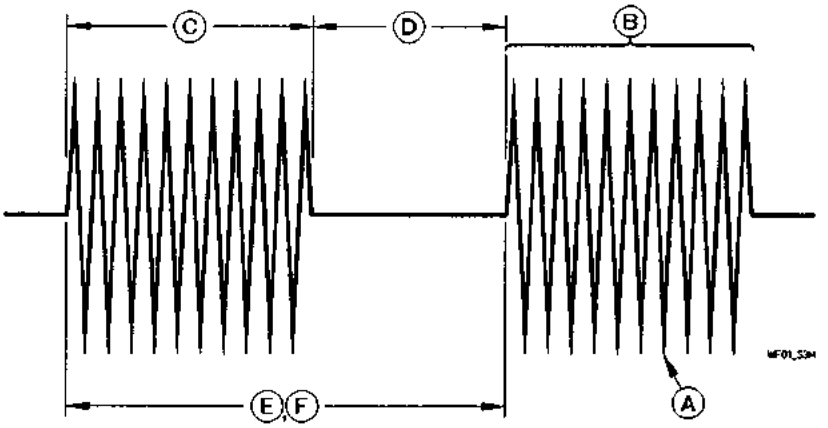



*Table 2-3. Pulse and CW Signal Parameters*

| Measurement | Pulse/Frequency Function | Key |
|---|---|---|
| Pulse Frequency or CW | FREQUENCY | A |
| Profile Frequency Modulation | PROFILE | B |
| Pulse Width | P WIDTH | C |
| Pulse Off Time | OFFTIME | D |
| Pulse Repetition Interval | PRI (1/PRF) | E |
| Pulse Repetition Frequency | PRF | F |

A) Pulse Frequency (Pulse Carrier) is measured in cycles per second (Hertz).

B) Pulse "Profile" is the successive change in pulse carrier frequency from the onset of the pulse to its end (Time vs Hertz).

C) Pulse Width is defined as the time interval from the leading edge to the trailing edge of a single pulse.

D) Pulse Off Time is defined as the time interval between two pulses, measured from the trailing edge of the first pulse to the leading edge of the second.

E) Pulse Repetition Interval is defined as the time interval between the leading edges of two consecutive pulses and is the reciprocal value of the pulse repetition frequency (1/PRF).

F) Pulse Repetition Frequency is defined as the number of pulses per second (Hertz).

## Selecting Pulse Measurement Characteristics

The following instructions describe how to select and make each of the six pulse burst parameter measurements explained above. The three front panel pulse function keys operate by toggling between functions for all six measurement functions. The counter returns to the last selected function on these keys. For example, selecting OFFTIME, then FREQUENCY, then pressing P WIDTH/OFFTIME turns on the Offtime function.

Each tutorial operating procedure shows the key (or key sequence, as necessary) to be pressed to perform the desired function, and the resultant display. A brief description of the effect of each function is given, and the allowable range for any parameter values are described, if applicable. The Power-up default conditions for each function are also given, with the term "Power-up" referring to connecting ac power to the instrument and then turning it on, as distinct from "Standby", which assumes that ac power is continuously connected.

## INPUT 1 Pulse Measurements (500 MHz – MAX GHz)

All pulse measurements are made via INPUT 1 using a type N Female or APC 3.5 Male connector. When you're preparing to measure a signal with this input always ensure that the following conditions have been met:

a. Signal input power is no greater than +7 dBm (NEVER EXCEEDING +25 dBm – DAMAGE LEVEL).

b. Signal input impedance must be 50Ω for correct termination and front-end operation.

c. When a pulsed microwave signal with a pulse repetition frequency less than 50 Hz is present, the "<50 Hz PRF" mode must be entered (Refer to page 2-36 of this section.) with the counter in Manual mode.

d. When a pulsed microwave signal with a pulse width less than 100 nanoseconds is present, the "<100 ns Pulse" mode must be entered by using Extended Function 93 after placing the counter in manual mode (Refer to pages 2-58 and 2-76 of this section.).

When these conditions have been met, use the following procedures to obtain the pulse measurements you need.

### PULSE FREQUENCY (FREQUENCY)

This procedure describes how to measure the average frequency within a typical pulsed signal. See callout "A" of *Figure 2-1* for a graphic description of this parameter and *Table 2-3* for a front panel function key summary.

The example below shows you how to measure a pulse burst carrier frequency of 18 GHz. (The power-up condition does not display digits for kHz/Hz.)

**Press: FREQUENCY**

**Observe:** *FREQUENCY MEASUREMENT*

— then —

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *18* *000* *PULSE*

**Effect:** Turns ON Pulse or CWFrequency Measurement function (INPUT 1: 500 MHz – MAX GHz) if the Frequency

function is Inactive. To exit this function press one of the other pulse measurement function keys: pressing the FREQUENCY key a second time initiates the Auto Profile measurement process. The instrument powers-up ready to measure frequency and does so when a pulse burst signal is present at INPUT 1.

**Parameter Value Range:** ON function only

**Power-up Default:** ON when pulse signal is present

**Note:** The Pulse Frequency function is active only when a pulsed microwave signal is present at INPUT 1 or if Extended function 92 is selected and locked in "Pulse Only" mode, forcing the counter to present the "FREQUENCY MEASUREMENT" display as shown above.

**PULSE PROFILE (PROFILE)**

This procedure describes how to measure the frequency profile within a typical pulsed or CW sweep signal. See callout "B" of *Figure 2-1* for a graphic description of this parameter and *Table 2-3* for a front panel function key summary.

Before going further, be sure you've set up the counter as described in the Auto Pulse Profiling procedure described in Section I of this manual. (The counter must be in "HOLD" mode prior to the keystrokes shown below.) The example below shows you the front panel keystrokes and messages used when profiling a pulse burst at 22 GHz.

**Press: PROFILE, TRIGGER**

**Observe:** *PROFILING- - -*

(This message appears while the counter is measuring and calculating results.)

— then —

**Observe:** *PRINTING PLOT- - -*

(This message appears while the counter outputs graphic measurment results to the printer.)

— or —

**Observe:** *PRINTING TABLE- - -*

(This message appears while the counter outputs tabular measurement results to the printer.)

— then —

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | *22* | *000* | *000* | *000* | *PROFILE* |

(After printer output is complete, counter displays the average pulse frequency.)

**Effect:** Turns ON Pulse or CW Sweep Frequency Profile Measurement function (INPUT 1: 500 MHz – MAX GHz). To exit this function press the PROFILE key a second time. During printing of either profile plot or table, the keyboard is locked out. The instrument powers-up ready to enter this function and does so when a pulse burst signal is present at INPUT 1 and the FREQUENCY/PROFILE key has been toggled to the Profile function.

**Parameter Value Range:** ON function only

**Power-up Default:** OFF

**Note:** The Pulse Frequency Profile function is active only when a pulsed microwave signal is present at INPUT 1 or if a CW Sweep signal is present along with an external gate supplied to the front panel Gate/Arm In BNC connector. (See External Gating in this section or appendix D.) You can also use external gating for pulse profiling when the pulses are longer than 10 ms or you need to profile all the way to the end of the pulse.

Obtain the hardcopy output by setting the counter's HP-IB address to 31 (TALK ONLY mode) and the printer to LISTEN ALWAYS mode. No other devices can be present on the HP-IB interface, otherwise the bus will hang. If the printer has not been correctly configured or connected to the HP-IB, you can exit the profile printing process only by cycling power to the counter.

If you choose to manually control the profiling setup parameters and then erroneously input invalid values or parameter combinations, a plot error will occur. The counter

will be unable to generate a plot and the message "PLOT ERROR" will be printed out alongside the text legend of the plot. When this occurs, all parameters are set to "0" and the display shows all "0".

During Math overflow, the "MATH OVERFLOW" message is displayed at the end of profiling. The same message is also printed out on the text portion of the plot or table hardcopy.

**PULSE WIDTH (P WIDTH)**

This procedure describes how to measure the pulse width (P WIDTH) of microwave RF pulse bursts. Pulse Width is defined as the time interval measured from the leading edge to the trailing edge of a single pulse. See callout "C" of *Figure 2-1* for a graphic description of this parameter and *Table 2-3* for a front panel function key summary.

The example below shows you how to measure a pulse width of a 530 microsecond RF burst.

**Press: P WIDTH**

**Observe:** *PULSE WIDTH*

— then —

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *530. 000 MICRO SEC PW*

**Effect:** Turns ON Pulse Width Measurement function (INPUT 1, 500 MHz – MAX GHz).

To exit this function, press the key again or one of the other pulse measurement function keys: pressing the P WIDTH key a second time toggles the counter to the alternate function OFFTIME. The instrument powers-up ready to enter P WIDTH and does so when a pulse burst signal is present at INPUT 1 and the P WIDTH key is pressed.

**Parameter Value Range:** ON function only

**Power-up Default:** OFF

**Note:** The Pulse Width function is displayed only when a pulsed microwave signal is present at INPUT 1 or if Extended function 92 is selected and locked in "Pulse Only" mode, forcing the counter to make pulse measurements.

**PULSE OFF TIME (OFFTIME)**

This procedure describes how to measure the pulse off time (OFFTIME). Pulse Off Time is defined as the time interval between two pulses, measured from the trailing edge of the first pulse to the leading edge of the second. See callout "D" of *Figure 2-1* for a graphic description of this parameter and *Table 2-3* for a front panel function key summary.

The example below shows you how to measure a pulse burst off time of 470 microseconds.

**Press: OFFTIME**

**Observe:** *PULSE OFF TIME*

— then —

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *470. 000 MICRO SEC OFF*

**Effect:** Turns ON Pulse Off Time Measurement function (INPUT 1, 500 MHz – MAX GHz). To exit this function press the key again or one of the other pulse measurement function keys: pressing the OFFTIME key a second time toggles the counter to the alternate function P WIDTH. The instrument powers-up ready to enter OFFTIME and does so when a pulse burst signal is present at INPUT 1 and the OFFTIME key is pressed.

**Parameter Value Range:** ON function only

**Power-up Default:** OFF

**Note:** The Pulse Off Time function is displayed only when a pulsed microwave signal is present at INPUT 1 or if Extended function 92 is selected and locked in "Pulse Only" mode, forcing the counter to make pulse measurements.

**PULSE REPETITION INTERVAL (PRI)**

This procedure describes how to measure the pulse repetition interval (PRI) of a burst within a typical pulsed signal. Pulse Repetition Interval is defined as the time between the leading edges of two consecutive pulses and is the reciprocal value of the pulse repetition frequency (1/PRF). When the counter is in the external ARM mode, this interval is the time between any two consecutive pulses within the RF burst as measured

between the falling edge of the first ARM signal and the falling edge of the next ARM signal. See callout "E" of *Figure 2-1* for a graphic description of this parameter and *Table 2-3* for a front panel function key summary.

The example below shows you how to measure a pulse burst PRI of 1.000 millisecond.

**Press: PRI**

**Observe:** *PULSE REP INTERVAL*

— then —

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | *1.* | *000* | *0* | *MILLI SEC PRI* |

**Effect:** Turns ON PRI Measurement function (INPUT 1, 500 MHz – MAX GHz). To exit this function press the key again or one of the other pulse measurement function keys: pressing the PRI key a second time toggles the counter to the alternate function PRF. The instrument powers-up ready to enter PRI and does so when a pulse burst signal is present at INPUT 1 and the PRI key is pressed.

**Parameter Value Range:** ON function only

**Power-up Default:** OFF

**Note:** The PRI function is displayed only when a pulsed microwave signal is present at INPUT 1 or if Extended function 92 is selected and locked in "Pulse Only" mode, forcing the counter to make pulse measurements.

**PULSE REPETITION FREQUENCY (PRF)**

This procedure describes how to measure the pulse repetition frequency (PRF) of a burst within a typical pulsed signal. Pulse repetition frequency is defined as the number of pulses per second (Hertz). See callout "F" of *Figure 2-1* for a graphic description of this parameter and *Table 2-3* for a front panel function key summary.

The example below shows you how to measure a pulse burst PRF of 999 Hz.

**Press: PRF**

**Observe:** *PULSE REP FREQ*

— then —

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | | | | *999 PRF* |

**Effect:** Turns ON PRF Measurement function (INPUT 1, 500 MHz – MAX GHz). To exit this function press the key again or one of the other pulse measurement function keys: pressing the PRF key a second time toggles the counter to the alternate function PRI. The instrument powers-up ready to enter PRF and does so when a pulse burst signal is present at INPUT 1 and the PRF key is pressed.

**Parameter Value Range:** ON function only

**Power-up Default:** OFF

**Note:** The PRF function is displayed only when a pulsed microwave signal is present at INPUT 1 or if Extended function 92 is selected and locked in "Pulse Only" mode, forcing the counter to make pulse measurements.

**LOW PULSE REPETITION FREQUENCY MEASUREMENT MODE (<50 Hz PRF)**

This procedure shows you how to turn on the <50 Hz PRF measurement mode. Use of this mode must be preceeded by entry into the Manual mode. This mode is needed when the INPUT 1 pulsed microwave signal falls below 50 Hz. The <50 Hz PRF mode enables the counter to distinguish this low PRF rate from a switched CW input. (An IF AGC loop settling time of up to 120 seconds may occur during the use of this mode.)

**Press: SET/ENTER, PRF**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | *LOW* | *PRF* | *MODE* | *ON* |

(displays mode message, <50 Hz PRF annunciator goes on)

**Press: SET/ENTER, PRF**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | *LOW* | *PRF* | *MODE* | *OFF* |

(displays mode message, <50 Hz PRF annunciator goes off)

**Effect:** Turns <50 Hz PRF mode ON and OFF. When turned ON, pulsed signals with a PRF <50 Hz present at INPUT 1 are accurately measured.

**Parameter Value Range:** ON or OFF

**Power-up Default Value:** OFF

**Note:** Before entering this mode you must be in the Manual measurement mode. Entry to the Manual measurement mode is made by using the MANUAL key.

## GATING AND ARMING

This subsection shows you how to use the GATE MODE key along with the front panel GATE/ARM IN connector. The key cycles through the gate modes when pressed repeatedly. Three Gate modes are available to the HP 5361B: Arm mode, External mode, and Internal mode.

Gating is used to specify the beginning and the end of a measurement within the RF pulse burst or CW signal. In the Internal gate mode, the counter decides when to start and stop a measurement on the input signal. In the External or Arm gate mode, a signal is acquired and measured using the user supplied input signal.

The External and Arm modes are used for pulse profiling and remote control of the instrument's gate for other applications that use auxiliary equipment. Internal mode provides the necessary gating for pulse frequency measurement function described previously. During Arm or External modes, the counter's internal gating circuits are under control of the Gate/Arm signal provided through the front panel GATE/ARM IN connector.

Each tutorial operating procedure shows the key (or key sequence, as necessary) to be pressed to perform the desired function, and the resultant display. A brief description of the effect of each function is given, and the allowable range for any parameter values are described, if applicable. The

Power-up default conditions for each function are also given, with the term "Power-up" referring to connecting ac power to the instrument and then turning it on, as distinct from "Standby", which assumes that ac power is continuously connected.

## Internal Gating

The counter normally uses internal gating when you need to measure the six pulse measurement functions available via the front panel function keys: FREQUENCY, PROFILE, P WIDTH, OFFTIME, PRF, and PRI. The input signal must consist of a continuous train of pulse bursts (Refer to Appendix A for minimum PRF specifications).

The following procedure shows how you can turn-on Internal gating using the GATE MODE key from the current gate mode of either ARM or EXTERNAL (Power-up default is INTERNAL gate mode).

**Press: GATE MODE**

(as needed)

**Observe:** ▼
*INT*

(INTERNAL GATE message appears momentarily and annunciator appears over "INT")

**Effect:** Turns-on Internal gate mode. To exit this function press the GATE MODE key again.

**Parameter Value Range:** ON function only

**Power-up Default:** ON

**Note:** When the Internal gate mode is active, signal inputs at the GATE/ARM IN connector have no effect.

## External Gating

Use external gating for pulse frequency/CW sweep profiling or to remotely control the instrument's gate in other pulse/CW measurement applications. External gating requires you to provide a TTL signal to the GATE/ARM IN connector from an external source. The GATE/ARM IN connector type is BNC Female, gate input is active low, and the input impedance is 1.5 kΩ at +3.5 volts.

The following procedure shows how you can turn-on External gating using the GATE MODE key and also explains how to input an external gate through the GATE/ARM IN connector.

**Press: GATE MODE**

(once or twice as needed)

**Observe:** ▼
*EXT*

(EXTERNAL GATE message appears momentarily and annunciator appears over "EXT")

**Effect:** Turns-on External gate mode. To exit this function press the GATE MODE key again.

**Parameter Value Range:** ON function only

**Power-up Default:** OFF

**Note:** When the External gate mode is active, measurement is controlled by the level of the signal provided at the GATE/ARM IN connector. A gate signal must be supplied to the counter to enable pulse or CW measurements.

Here's how to connect and use the GATE/ARM IN connector for external gating:

1. Ensure that the signal input to the GATE/ARM IN connector is TTL (0 – 5 volts).
2. Ensure that the signal input to the GATE/ARM IN connector terminates properly with a 1.5 kΩ input impedance. (Apply an external 50 Ω load to terminate 50 Ω source.)
3. Ensure that the signal supplied as the external gate is active low (Negative logic) and is at least 20 nanoseconds wide (See *Figure 3-5*, Gate/Arm In waveforms, on page 3-21 for more information).
4. Connect the external gate line to the front panel GATE/ARM IN connector using a BNC Male connector.

5. Program the HP 5361B to make the measurements you need by using the front panel control keys or HP-IB remote instrument commands.

6. Provide a signal (Pulse or CW) you need to measure at INPUT 1 and the external gating signal at the GATE/ARM IN connector.

7. Observe the displayed measurement or collect the measurement data via HP-IB.

## Arming

Use Arming when you need to individually trigger each measurement in a train of pulse bursts. Arming allows you to make a measurement of a unique pulse within the pulse burst. You must provide a TTL signal to the GATE/ARM IN connector from some external source. The GATE/ARM IN connector type is BNC Female, trigger input is active on the falling edge, and the input impedance is 1.5 kΩ at +3.5 volts.

The following procedure shows how you can turn-on Arming using the GATE MODE key and also explains how to input an arming signal through the GATE/ARM IN connector.

**Press: GATE MODE**

(once or twice as needed)

**Observe:** ▼
*ARM*

(ARM GATE message appears momentarily and annunciator appears over "ARM")

**Effect:** Turns-on Arm gate mode. To exit this function press the GATE MODE key again.

**Parameter Value Range:** ON function only

**Power-up Default:** OFF

**Note:** When the Arm gate mode is active, measurement sampling is controlled by the falling edge of the signal provided at the GATE/ARM IN connector. An arming signal must be supplied to the counter to enable pulse measurements.

Here's how to connect and use the GATE/ARM IN connector for arming:

1. Ensure that the signal input to the GATE/ARM IN connector is TTL (0 – 5 volts) with at least two arming edges provided for all pulse envelope measurements except PW (only one required).
2. Ensure that the signal input to the GATE/ARM IN connector terminates properly with a 1.5 kΩ input impedance.
3. Ensure that the signal supplied for arming is active on the falling edge. Also, the target pulse onset must follow arm edge by at least 50 nanoseconds (See *Figure 3-5,* Gate/Arm In waveforms, on page 3-21 for more information).
4. Connect the external arm line to the front panel GATE/ARM IN connector using a BNC Male connector.
5. Program the HP 5361B to make the measurements you need by using the front panel control keys or HP-IB remote instrument commands.
6. Provide a pulsed microwave signal you need to measure at INPUT 1 and the arming signal at the GATE/ARM IN connector.
7. Observe the displayed measurement or collect the measurement data via HP-IB.

## USING MEASUREMENT MODIFIERS

This subsection provides you with detailed information on how to use the HP 5361B measurement modifiers: Resolution, High Resolution, Pulse Averaging, Sample Rate, Trigger, and FM Rate/Track. All functions except High Resolution and Pulse Averaging correspond to the labeled front panel keys. High Resolution is called via extended function 94 while Pulse Averaging is available via the Resolution key during pulse envelope measurements.

Each tutorial operating procedure shows the key (or key sequence, as necessary) to be pressed to perform the desired function, and the resultant display. A brief description of the effect of each function is given, and the allowable range for any parameter values are described, if applicable. The Power-up default conditions for each function are also given,

with the term "Power-up" referring to connecting ac power to the instrument and then turning it on, as distinct from "Standby", which assumes that ac power is continuously connected.

## Power-up Default Values:

The power-up default measurement modifier values for the HP 5361B are listed below:

| | |
|---|---|
| Resolution | – 1 Hz for INPUT 2/ 1 MHz for INPUT 1 |
| High Resolution | – OFF |
| Pulse Averaging | – 1 (OFF) |
| Sample Rate | – FAST |
| Trigger | – Not applicable |
| FM Rate/Track | – NORMAL |

## Resolution

You can change the number of significant digits displayed for measurements by using the RESOLUTION key. For frequency resolution, the non- significant digits of a measurement are rounded off and shown either blank or replaced by the asterisk symbol *, depending on the resolution.

CHECK RESOLUTION

The example below shows how to display a current resolution of 10 kHz, for a measurement of 50.00 MHz

**Press: RESOLUTION**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | 00 | 000 | 01* | *** | RESOL |

(displays current resolution)

— then —

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 50 | 00* | |

(measurement at 10 kHz resolution)

**Effect:** Displays current resolution setting as long as RESOLUTION key is held down.

**Parameter value range:** Display function

**Power-up Default:** 1 Hz for INPUT 2/ 1 MHz for INPUT 1

**Note:** When a group of three digits in the display is suppressed due to the resolution setting, all three digits are blanked. If only one or two digits in a three digit group are suppressed, the suppressed digits are replaced with asterisks*.

SET RESOLUTION

The example below shows you how to change resolution from 1 Hz to 1 MHz. The counter is assumed to be measuring a pulsed 1.234567890 GHz signal. When the resolution you set cannot be obtained, "PULSE *" is shown on the right side of the display.

**Press: SET/ENTER, RESOLUTION**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | 00 | 000 | 000 | 001 | RESOL |

(displays current resolution setting)

**Press: DEC**

(press key 6 times, or hold key down)

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | 00 | 000 | 000 | 01* | RESOL |
| | 00 | 000 | 000 | 1** | RESOL |
| | 00 | 000 | 001 | *** | RESOL |
| | 00 | 000 | 01* | *** | RESOL |
| | 00 | 000 | 1** | *** | RESOL |
| | 00 | 001 | *** | *** | RESOL |

**Press: SET/ENTER**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | 1 | 235 | | | |

(begins counting with 1 MHz resolution)

**Effect:** Sets the resolution for INPUT 1 or INPUT 2 measurements.

**Parameter Value Range:** 1 Hz to 1MHz, in decade steps.

## High Resolution

You can obtain a resolution greater than 1 Hz for measurements below 10 MHz by using the High Resolution function. This function applies only to INPUT 1 PRF and INPUT 2, 1MΩ measurements. INPUT 2 gate time remains constant at 1 second during High Resolution measurements. The Smooth function takes precedence over High Resolution. The High Resolution function takes precedence over the normal counter resolution, if the counter is in the INPUT 2, 1MΩ measurement mode. High Resolution is obtained by calling Extended function 94 after RESOLUTION has been set to 1 Hz.

The example below shows you how to turn on High Resolution while making a 1 MΩ (INPUT 2) measurement of 5,000,000.000 Hz, then turn High Resolution off.

**Press: SET/ENTER, EXTEND FUNCT, 9, 4, SET/ENTER**

**Observe:** *HIGH RESOL ON*

(displays message momentarily)

— then —

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 5 | 000 | 000. 0** |

(measurement with High Resolution in effect)

**Effect:** Turns High Resolution function ON and OFF. Displays "HIGH RESOL ON" message momentarily. The High Resolution function begins as soon as Set/Enter is pressed for the second time. The function terminates when a different extended function is selected or when the extended function mode is exited.

**Parameter Value Range:** None, toggle function only

**Power-up Default:** OFF

**Note:** The High Resolution function can only be applied to INPUT 1 PRF and INPUT 2, 1MΩ impedance measurements (10 Hz – 80 MHz). The Smooth function takes precedence over

the High Resolution function for INPUT 2 1 MΩ impedance measurements.

The higher resolution obtained using this function depends on the input frequency, as shown in *Table* 2-4 (where F in = input frequency). Resolution is displayed in millihertz (3 digits to the right of the decimal point) for PRF measurements.

## Pulse Averaging

*Table 2-4. High Resolution Displays*

| Frequency Range | Resolution | Display Example | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
| 80 MHz ≥Fin ≥10 MHz | 1 Hz | | 15 | 000 | 000. | |
| 10 MHz > Fin ≥1 MHz | 0.1 Hz | | 1 | 500 | 000. | 0** |
| 1 MHz > Fin ≥0.1 MHz | 0.01 Hz | | | 150 | 000. | 00* |
| 0.1 MHz > Fin ≥10 Hz | 0.001 Hz | | | 15 | 000. | 000 |

You can obtain greater resolution during pulse measurements by using the Pulse Averaging measurement modifier. The use of Pulse averaging may also result in enhanced least significant digit (LSD) display stability/readability. Pulse averaging can be performed over a wide range of pulse measurement samples: from 2 to 9,999 (with a default of 1). The AVG (Average) annunciator appears only if the selected averaging value is greater than 1 and applies only to pulse envelope parameter averaging, not carrier frequency averaging.

Average measurements can be obtained for all pulse measurement parameters. Pulse carrier frequency averaging is performed via EFUN 91 and can be selected to facilitate the use of a specific set resolution. Procedures for checking and changing the current pulse average value are described below.

If the total accumulated measurement time for a measurement exceeds 20 seconds, the count may not be accurate. You must ensure that the number of averages times the envelope parameter time does not exceed 20 seconds.

**CHECK PULSE AVERAGING VALUE**

The example below shows how to display the current pulse average modifier value during pulse measurement mode while a pulse envelope measurement function is active.

**Press: SET/ENTER, RESOLUTION**

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *1 AVERAGE*

(displays current average)

**Effect:** Displays current average setting until the SET/ENTER key is pressed again.

**Parameter value range:** Display function only

**Power-up Default:** 1

**Note:** The "Preset" function clears the current average value and returns the default value of 1. Preset the counter by pressing SET/ENTER, then RESET. Preset also clears all other front panel setup values in addition to averaging.

**SET A NEW PULSE AVERAGE**

The example below shows how to change the current pulse average modifier value during pulse measurement mode with a pulse envelope measurement function active. In this example the default value is changed from 1 to 10.

**Press: SET/ENTER, RESOLUTION**

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *1. AVERAGE*

(displays current average)

**Press: 1, 0, SET/ENTER**

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *10. AVERAGE*

(displays new average momentarily then returns to current measurement function AVG annunciator goes on)

**Effect:** Changes current average setting to new entered value.

**Parameter value range:** 1 to 9,999

**Power-up Default:** 1

**Note:** The "Preset" function clears the current average value and returns the default value of 1. Preset the counter by pressing SET/ENTER, then RESET. Preset also clears all other front panel setup values in addition to averaging.

## Sample Rate

You can use the Sample Rate modifier to set the "dead time" between measurements. The minimum time (Fast) allows the instrument to count as frequently as possible. The other extreme (Hold) keeps the last measurement until you start a new measurement by pressing the TRIGGER key. The following procedures show you how to check and change the HP 5361B Sample Rate.

### CHECK SAMPLE RATE

Use this procedure to check the counter's current Sample Rate. This example displays a sample rate setting of approximately 1.0 second.

**Press: SAMPLE RATE**

Observe: *HOLD – – – – – * – – FAST SMPL RT*

(current sample rate of 1.0 seconds is displayed)

**Effect:** Display current sample rate setting as long as SAMPLE RATE key is held down.

**Parameter Value Range:** Display function.

**Power-up Default Value:** FAST

**Note:** The Sample Rate function sets the dead time between measurements. Total measurement time, or repetition rate, is affected by the measurement mode and other functions, as well as the input signal PRF pulse width during pulse measurements. Using EFUN 92 to force Pulse only or CW measurement only is recommended for "HOLD" measurements (refer to page 2-76). If the default EFUN 92 condition "AUTO" is used, the first measurement may be "0" if the signal present at INPUT 1 changes from CW to pulse or vice versa.

**SET A NEW SAMPLE RATE**

Use this procedure to change the counter's current Sample Rate. This example changes a sample rate setting from FAST to HOLD.

**Press: SET/ENTER, SAMPLE RATE**

**Observe:** *HOLD – – – – – – – – – > FAST SMPL RT*

(current sample rate is displayed)

**Press: DEC**

(press seven times or hold down)

**Observe:** *HOLD – – – – – – * – FAST SMPL RT*
(0.5 sec.)
*HOLD – – – – – * – – FAST SMPL RT*
(1.0 sec.)
*HOLD – – – – * – – – FAST SMPL RT*
(1.5 sec.)
*HOLD – – – * – – – – FAST SMPL RT*
(3.0 sec.)
*HOLD – – * – – – – – FAST SMPL RT*
(5.0 sec.)
*HOLD – * – – – – – – FAST SMPL RT*
(10.0 sec.)
*HOLD < – – – – – – – FAST SMPL RT*
(HOLD annunciator goes on)

**Press: SET/ENTER**

**Observe:** *HOLDING – – –*

(no measurement made until triggered)

**Effect:** Sets sample rate for INPUT 1 and INPUT 2 measurements by using the INC and DEC keys along with the SET/ENTER and SAMPLE RATE keys.

**Parameter Value Range:** Fast, 0.5 seconds, 1.0 seconds, 1.5 seconds, 3.0 seconds, 5.0 seconds, 10.0 seconds, Hold.

**Power-up Default Value:** FAST

**Note:** The Sample Rate function sets the dead time between measurements. Total measurement time, or repetition rate, is affected by the measurement mode and other functions, as well as the input signal.

## Trigger

Once you've set the sample rate to HOLD, you can manually trigger a single measurement by using the front panel TRIGGER key. The example below shows you how to trigger and hold a measurement of 25.000 000 MHz

**Press: TRIGGER**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | | 25 | 000 | 000 |

(Measurement taken and held, HOLD annunciator remains on)

**Effect:** If sample rate is set to Hold, triggers a measurement, otherwise restarts measurement.

**Parameter Value Range:** None

**Power-up Default Value:** None

## FM Rate/Track

You can use the FM Rate/Track function to optimize acquisition of FM CW signals at INPUT 1 while in the Auto mode. The FM RATE/TRACK key lets you select three different acquisition methods for use during high frequency CW measurements. They are: Normal Rate, Low Rate, and Track. These options let you improve signal tracking or compensate for very low FM rates.

The Low Rate ensures acquisition of FM signals with rates as low as 45 Hz, and high deviation by increasing the gate times. Track mode acquires signals with FM rates equal to or greater than 300 kHz and high deviation.

The procedure below shows you how to use the FM RATE/TRACK key to change the acquisition methods and what to expect on the display.

**Press: FM RATE/TRACK**

**Observe:** *LOW FM Rate*

(displays message momentarily, then returns to measurement display; LOW annunciator on, FM NORM and TRACK annunciators off)

**Press: FM RATE/TRACK**

**Observe:** *FAST ACQ/TRACK*

(displays message momentarily, then returns to measurement display; TRACK annunciator on, FM NORM and LOW annunciators off)

**Press: FM RATE/TRACK**

**Observe:** *NORMAL FM RATE*

(displays message momentarily, then returns to measurement display; FM NORM annunciator on, LOW and TRACK annunciators off)

**Effect:** Sets FM Rate/Track function to Low Rate, Track, or Normal Rate

**Parameter Value Range:** Three-way toggle function.

**Power-up Default Value:** Normal FM Rate

**Note:** This function applies only to CW measurements in Auto mode (INPUT 1, 500 MHz-MAX GHz). All FM annunciators are OFF for pulsed measurements.

## MATH MODIFIERS

This subsection provides you with detailed information on how to use the HP 5361B math modifiers: Offset, Scale, and Smooth. Each modifier corresponds to a front panel key in the math group.

Each tutorial operating procedure shows the key (or key sequence, as necessary) to be pressed to perform the desired function, and the resultant display. A brief description of the effect of each function is given, and the allowable range for any parameter values are described, if applicable. The Power-up default conditions for each function are also given, with the term "Power-up" referring to connecting ac power to the instrument and then turning it on, as distinct from "Standby", which assumes that ac power is continuously connected.

### Power-up Default Values

The power-up default math modifier values for the HP 5361B are listed below:

| | |
|---|---|
| Offset | – OFF, 0 Hz |
| Scale | – OFF, 1.000 |
| Smooth | – OFF |

### Offset

The Offset modifier lets you add or subtract a value to/from the calculated results that would normally appear on the display. During pulse repetition, CW frequency, or pulse frequency measurements, the offset is entered and displayed in Hertz. During pulse envelope measurements (P WIDTH, OFFTIME, PRI), the offset is entered and displayed in milliseconds, microseconds, or nanoseconds.

#### TURN ON OFFSET

This procedure shows you how to turn on the offset math modifier. The example shown below is valid for INPUT 1 CW, pulse envelope, or pulse frequency measurements and works in the same way for frequency measurements made through INPUT 2. Offset values may be entered for either pulse envelope (time: in ms/$\mu$s/ns) or frequency measurements (hertz). The example below applies a previously entered negative 2 GHz offset value to a measurement of 12 GHz.

**Press: OFFSET**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | –2 | 000 | 000 | 000 | OFFSET |

(displays current offset momentarily; OFFSET annunciator goes on)

— then —

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | 10 | 000 | 000 | 000 |

(12 GHz measurement with –2 GHz offset applied)

**Effect:** Turns offset function ON and OFF. When turned ON, current offset is displayed. When the OFFSET key is released, display shows the sum of the current measurement plus the offset. Press the key a second time to turn the Offset function back to OFF.

**Parameter Value Range:** Toggle function.

**Power-up Default Value:** OFF

**SET A NEW OFFSET VALUE**

This procedure shows you how to set a new offset value. The example shown below is valid for INPUT 1 CW, pulse envelope, or pulse frequency measurements and works in the same way for frequency measurements made through INPUT 2. Offset values may be entered for either pulse envelope (time: in ms/$\mu$s/ns) or frequency measurements (Hertz). The example below changes a current offset value from 2 GHz to –35.5 MHz, and then applies it to a 600 MHz measurement.

**Press: SET/ENTER, OFFSET**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | 2 | 000 | 000 | 000 | OFFSET |

(displays current offset value)

**Press: 3, 5, •, 5, ±**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | | –35.5 | | | OFFSET |

**Press: SET/ENTER**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | | –35. | 500 | 000 | OFFSET |

(displays new offset momentarily, then measurement begins with offset applied; OFFSET annunciator goes on)

— then —

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 564 | 500 | 000 |

(600 MHz measurement with – 35.5 MHz offset applied)

**Effect:** Sets Offset value, and turns ON the Offset function. To turn OFF the Offset function, press the OFFSET key again.

**Parameter Value Range:** 0 Hz to ±999.999999999 GHz/MHz/kHz/ms/$\mu$s/ns

**Power-up Default Value:** OFF

**Note:** When entering an offset value, the sign may be changed at any point in the key sequence using the sign (±) key.

**SET OFFSET TO LAST VALUE**

This procedure shows you how to set the offset to the last measured value. The example shown below is valid for INPUT 1 CW, pulse envelope, or pulse frequency measurements and works in the same way for frequency measurements made through INPUT 2. Offset values may be entered for either pulse envelope (time: in ms/$\mu$s/ns) or frequency measurements (hertz). The example below changes a current offset value from –35.5 MHz to a negated last measurement value of 200.000 000 MHz.

**Press: SET/ENTER, OFFSET**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | | –35 | 500 | 000 | OFFSET |

(display shows current offset)

**Press: LST VAL**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | | –200 | 000 | 000 | OFFSET |

(display shows negated value of last measurement)

**Press: SET/ENTER**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | -N- | -N- | -N- | -N- | |

(displays measurement with offset applied: OFFSET annunciator goes on)

**Effect:** Sets Offset to last measured value, and turns ON the Offset function. To turn OFF the Offset function, press the OFFSET key again.

**Parameter Value Range:** Last measured value must be within 0 Hz to ±999.999999999 GHz/MHz/kHz/ms/$\mu$s/ns.

**Power-up Default Value:** –0.00

## Scale

The Scale modifier lets you multiply the calculated results by a selected multiplier. To multiply, use a whole or mixed decimal number. To simulate division, use a decimal fraction. When simulating division, the accuracy of scaled results may vary greater than ±1 least significant digit (LSD). During all measurements, the scale factor is entered and displayed with no associated unit of measurement.

### TURN ON SCALE FACTOR

This procedure shows you how to turn on the scale math modifier. The example shown below is valid for INPUT 1 CW, pulse envelope, or pulse frequency measurements and works in the same way for frequency measurements made through INPUT 2. The example below applies a current scale factor of 1.5 to a 600 MHz measurement.

**Press: SCALE**

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *1.500 SCALE*

(display shows current scale factor)

— then —

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *900 000 000*

(measurement with scale factor applied; SCALE annunciator goes on)

**Effect:** Turns Scale function ON and OFF. When turned ON, current scale factor is displayed. When the SCALE key is released, display shows the product of the current input signal measurement multiplied by the scale factor.

**Parameter Value Range:** ON or OFF

**Power-up Default Value:** OFF

SET A NEW SCALE FACTOR

This procedure shows you how to set a new scale factor. The example shown below is valid for INPUT 1 CW, pulse envelope, or pulse frequency measurements and works in the same way for frequency measurements made through INPUT 2. The example below changes a current scale factor from 1.5 to –0.001 for a 600 MHz measurement.

**Press: SET/ENTER, SCALE, •, 0, 0, 1, ±**

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** –0.001 SCALE

(display shows new scale factor)

**Press: SET/ENTER**

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** –600 000

(measurement with scale factor applied; SCALE annunciator goes on)

**Effect:** sets scale value, and turns ON the Scale function. To turn the Scale function OFF, press the SCALE key again.

**Parameter Value Range:** ±0.0001 to ±9999 (except 0: if 0 is entered, scale value defaults to +1).

**Power-up Default Value:** 1.00

**Note:** When entering a scale factor, the sign may be changed at any point in the key sequence using the (±) key.

## Smooth

The Smooth modifier stabilizes the least significant digits in the display for easier reading. This modifier causes the counter to keep a running average of least significant digits. This average is the rightmost digit displayed and will appear stable enough to read. Use of the Smooth modifier will increase resolution further.

### TURN ON SMOOTH

This procedure shows you how to turn on the Smooth modifier. The example shown below is valid for INPUT 1 CW, or pulse frequency measurements and works the same way for frequency measurements made through INPUT 2. The smooth modifier does not work for pulse envelope measurements (P WIDTH, OFFTIME, PRI, PRF, or PROFILE) or while in HOLD waiting for a triggered measurement.

**Press: SMOOTH**

(SMOOTH annunciator goes on)

**Effect:** Turns Smooth modifier ON or OFF. Input frequency/envelope parameter is averaged, and unstable digits in the display are masked with asterisks or with blanks, similar to Resolution display.

**Parameter Value Range:** Toggle function only.

**Note:** The number of masked digits in a Smooth display will vary continuously, depending on the stability of the source. Refer to the Resolution procedure for examples of the various possible Smooth displays.

## EXTENDED FUNCTIONS AND HP-IB CONFIGURATION

This subsection provides you with information for using extended functions and HP-IB configuration. The extended functions described are measurement or setup related. (Some of these functions may also be useful for troubleshooting.) Those extended functions that are primarily "diagnostic" are described in the next subsection "What To Do If There Is a Problem". The procedures for calling or changing an extended function (EFUN) are equally applicable to either measurement related or diagnostic extended functions. Brief procedures for displaying and changing the HP-IB address follow explanations of extended functions.

Each tutorial operating procedure shows the key (or key sequence, as necessary) to be pressed to perform the desired function, and the resultant display. A brief description of the effect of each function is given, and the allowable range for any parameter values are described, if applicable. The Power-up default conditions for each function are also given, with the term "Power-up" referring to connecting ac power to the instrument and then turning it on, as distinct from "Standby", which assumes that ac power is continuously connected.

### Calling Extended Functions/Diagnostics

Use the following procedures to turn on and call various extended functions for either measurement or troubleshooting tasks. When using extended functions, many different types of messages are possible. In the following paragraphs, only PASS messages are shown. Refer to Section 5 of the Service manual for descriptions of the various FAIL messages.

Most extended functions can be exited by pressing the EXTEND FUNCT key or the RESET/LOCAL key. However, certain diagnostics require special exit procedures, as described on page 2-60.

### TURN ON CURRENT EXTENDED FUNCTION

This procedure shows you how to turn on the currently selected extended function. In the example below, extended function 04 is turned on while measuring a signal at INPUT 1, causing the counter to display its local oscillator frequency.

**Press: EXTEND FUNCT**

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *LO 350.0 MHz* *FUNC 04*

(display shows current LO value)

**Effect:** Turns current extended function ON or OFF.

**Parameter Value Range:** Toggle function.

**Power-up Default Value:** EFUN 1, OFF

**Note:** EFUN 98 (Keyboard Lockout), and Efun 99 (Display Lockout) cannot be re-entered by pressing the EXTEND FUNCT key. The extended function number is not retained by the counter after one of these functions has been exited; instead, the number automatically defaults to 1.

### SET A NEW EXTENDED FUNCTION NUMBER

This procedure shows you how to select and turn on a new extended function. In the example below, extended function 01 (Self Check) is changed to 60 (IF Verification: 35 MHz; Disable INPUT 1 and IF)and then turned on.

**Press: SET/ENTER, EXTEND FUNCT**

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *1 FUNC*

(display shows current value)

**Press: 6, 0**

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *60 FUNC*

(display shows new selection)

**Press: SET/ENTER**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | PASS | 35 | 000 | 0** | A6 EF 60 |

(displays Pass or Fail message)

**Effect:** Sets extended function number and turns ON the extended function mode .

**Parameter Value Range:** 1 to 99. If an invalid extended function number is entered, the counter displays a "NOT AVAILABLE" message.

**MOVE TO NEXT EXTENDED FUNCTION**

This procedure shows you how to select the next extended function that is above or below the current one. In the example below, extended function 30 (MRC Channel A Verification; 10 MHz Timebase) is changed to 32 (Interpolator check).

**Press: SET/ENTER, EXTEND FUNCT, INC, INC, SET/ENTER**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | PASS | | INTERPOL | A3 | EF 32 |

(counter displays Pass or Fail message)

**Effect:** Sets extended function number to next higher or lower number, and proceeds to execute that function.

**Parameter Value Range:** 1 to 97. If the user increments or decrements to an invalid number, the counter displays a "NOT AVAILABLE" message until user has moved to a valid number. (Note that EFUN 98, and EFUN 99 cannot be enabled using the INC/DEC keys).

**SPECIAL EXTENDED FUNCTION EXIT PROCEDURES**

Most extended functions can be exited by pressing the EXTEND FUNCT key or the RESET/LOCAL key. Some extended functions require special exit procedures, as follows:

a. To exit from a EFUN 1 failure, press the EXTEND FUNCT key; pressing the RESET/LOCAL key will only scroll through the test routines.

b. To exit EFUN 51 (LO Synthesizer Verification - User-Entered Frequency) or EFUN 70 (Keyboard Test), press the RESET/LOCAL key; the EXTEND FUNCT, INCREMENT, and DECREMENT keys cannot be used to exit.

c. The only way to exit EFUN 98 (Keyboard Lockout), and EFUN 99 (Display Lockout) is by entering a special key sequence (7, 4, 0, RESET/LOCAL), or by removing ac power to the instrument. After exiting EFUN 98 or 99, the extended function number defaults to 1.

d. When pressing the special key sequence to exit EFUN 98 or 99, you should allow a short amount of time (about 1 to 2 seconds) to elapse between each key press. Pressing the keys too quickly prevents the counter from responding properly to each key in the sequence, causing the counter to remain in the extended function mode.

## Extended Function Descriptions

The following paragraphs describe what the Extended Functions do. General information is first, followed by specific descriptions. *Table* 2- 5 lists all extended functions by access code number. There are forty-eight extended functions available for either measurement/setup related use or troubleshooting.

*Table 2-5. Extended Functions and Codes*

| Code | Extended Function Name |
|---|---|
| 1 | *Self Check (Front Panel Only) |
| 2 | Display IF |
| 3 | Display MRC E & T Register Contents |
| 4 | Display LO (Synthesizer) Frequency |
| 5 | Display Harmonic Number (Integer) and Sideband |
| 6 | Display Harmonic Number (Fraction) and Sideband |
| 7 | Display Interpolator Short Calibration |
| 8 | Display Interpolator Long Calibration |
| 9 | Display Interpolator Measurement |
| 10 | *Timebase Verification |
| 11 | *Power Supply Verification |
| 20 | *Low Frequency 50 OHM Verification: 35 MHz |
| 21 | *Low Frequency 1 MOHM Verification: 35 MHz |
| 30 | *MRC Channel A Verification: 10 MHz Timebase |
| 31 | *MRC Channel B Verification: 10 MHz Timebase |
| 32 | *Interpolator Check |
| 33 | Display MRC E & T Register Contents for Pulse Measurements |
| 34 | Display Gate Bias Error |
| 40 | Display ROM Version Number |
| 41 | *RAM Test (Front Panel Only) |
| 42 | *ROM Test (Front Panel Only) |
| 43 | *Repeated Reset (Front Panel Only) |
| 50 | *LO Synthesizer Verification: 29.5 MHz and 35 MHz |
| 51 | LO Synthesizer Verification: User Entered Frequency |
| 52 | *LO Synthesizer Sweep |
| 53 | *LO Synthesizer Lower and Upper Frequency Bounds |
| 54 | Gate Bias Calibration |
| 60 | *IF Verification: 35 MHz; Disable INPUT 1 and IF |
| 61 | *Check Level Detector |
| 62 | Disable Hardware and Software IF Detector Flags: Display Measurements |
| 63 | Disable Hardware and Software IF Detector Flags: Display IF |
| 64 | Disable Software IF Detector Flag: Display IF |
| 65 | *IF Verification: 35 MHz; Disable INPUT 1 |
| 66 | Display IF Function Status Indicators |
| 67 | Disable IF Detector: Display IF Function Status Indicators |
| 68 | Display Narrow Pulse Harmonic Numbers |
| 70 | *Keyboard Test |
| 71 | *Display Test |
| 72 | Set Printer Option |
| 73 | (Reserved For Future Use) |
| 80 | *HP-IB Verification |
| 81 | Set Start Time for Profiling |
| 82 | Set Stop Time for Profiling |
| 83 | Set Fine Or Coarse Data for Profiling |
| 84 | Set Profiling Output Printer Options |
| 85 | Set Filter On/Off for Profiling Output |
| 86 | Enter ID Prefix for Profiling Printer Output Plot |
| 87 | Set Number of Data Points (Steps) for Frequency Profile |
| 88 | Set Start IF Cycle for Frequency Profile |
| 89 | Set Number of IF Cycles Per Step for Profiling |
| 90 | Set Gate Width in Time |
| 91 | Set Number of Averages for Frequency Measurement |
| 92 | Force Pulse or CW Measurement Mode |
| 93 | Enter <100ns Pulse Mode |
| 94 | High Resolution (INPUT 1 PRF/INPUT 2, 1 MOHM) |
| 95 | Set Gate Width by Number of IF Events or Cycles |
| 96 | Enter Chirp Mode |
| 97 | Set IF for Manual Center Frequency |
| 98 | Keyboard Lockout |
| 99 | Display Lockout |

Extended function titles preceded by an asterisk (*) are primarily diagnostic in nature and are explained in more detail in the next subsection.

When an extended function is activated, the counter continues to carry out a normal measurement cycle, but does not display the measured input frequency. Instead, each extended function causes the counter to display a particular measurement parameter used to compute the measured input frequency or allows you to customize a specific measurement factor such as gate width or LO frequency. The following paragraphs contain brief descriptions of extended functions. Unless otherwise noted, a given extended function displays a measurement parameter for either an INPUT 1 or INPUT 2 measurement.

The contents of each extended function display depend on the particular parameter involved. During any extended function display, a level condition, if present, is indicated by the letters "LVL" replacing a portion of the display. Refer to "What To Do If There Is a Problem" subsection at page 2-81 of this section for descriptions of all diagnostic extended functions.

**DISPLAY IF (EF 02)**

**Effect:** The counter displays the value of the IF, showing one digit greater than the chosen resolution (two digits for 1 Hz). The chosen resolution and sample rate affect the display, and also the Smooth function, if enabled. The IF is displayed only when the counter is set to INPUT 1; when set to INPUT 2, the counter displays the low frequency measurement. The IF display will be in the format shown below (assuming an IF of 75 MHz, and a chosen resolution of 1 Hz):

```
IF   75  000  000  .nn F 02
LVL  75  000  000  .nn F 02
```

**DISPLAY MRC E & T REGISTER CONTENTS (EF 03)**

**Effect:** The counter displays the contents of the MRC Events (E) and Time (T) registers, including overflow. The chosen resolution affects the contents of the Time register (gate time), but the selected sample rate does not affect register contents. Math functions, if enabled, also have no effect. The gate time equals the T register value multiplied by 100 ns. The T register portion of the display includes the fraction (in decimal form) calculated from the interpolator data.

For CW measurements, the E register contains the number of IF cycles (INPUT 1) or total zero crossings (INPUT 2). The T register contains the gate time during which the E events were counted. For pulse frequency measurements, the E register contains the number of averages set by the user or default

while the T register contains the total gate time of all averaged measurements. The messages are:

```
E  10019713  T  2003937  .28
E  10019713  T  2003  LVL
```

**DISPLAY LO (SYNTHESIZER) FREQUENCY (EF 04)**

**Effect:** Displays the current value of the LO frequency. In Auto mode, the LO value is displayed only when a measurement is in progress, not during signal acquisition or LO sweep. In Manual mode, the display of the LO value is stable. If the counter is switched to INPUT 2, the LO value will be 0.0. The messages are:

```
LO   350.0  MHz        FUNC 04
LO   350.0  MHz        LVL 04
```

**DISPLAY HARMONIC NUMBER (INTEGER) AND SIDEBAND (EF 05)**

**Effect:** Displays the value of the harmonic number (N), along with the sideband location of the input frequency (USB=upper sideband, LSB=lower sideband) with respect to N LO. If the instrument is in Auto or Manual mode, the display only changes when a new harmonic number has been determined. When INPUT 2 is active, the harmonic number is 0, and "USB" is displayed. The message display format is:

```
HARM   3    LSB        FUNC 05
HARM   3    LSB        LVL 05
```

**DISPLAY HARMONIC NUMBER (FRACTION) AND SIDEBAND (EF 06)**

**Effect:** Displays the value of the harmonic number (N) to .01 accuracy, along with the sideband information (refer to EFUN 5 description). When the counter is in Manual mode, the fractional value of N is 0. This auxiliary function can be used to see if FM on the input signal is affecting the measurement. The message display format is:

```
HARM  2.99  LSB        FUNC 06
HARM  2.99  LSB        LVL 06
```

**DISPLAY INTERPOLATOR SHORT CALIBRATION (EF 07)**

**Effect:** The Interpolator Start and Stop counts are displayed for the short MRC calibration mode. The Start and Stop values should be within ±20 counts of each other, with a typical calibration count falling in the approximate range of 100-130. The Short calibration values should always be less than the values displayed by EFUN 8 (Interpolator Long Calibration). The message display format is:

*SH CAL 126 125 FUNC 07*
*SH CAL 126 125 LVL 07*

**DISPLAY INTERPOLATOR LONG CALIBRATION (EF 08)**

**Effect:** The interpolator Start and Stop counts are displayed for the long MRC calibration mode. The Start and Stop values should be within ±20 counts of each other, with a typical calibration count falling in the approximate range of 290-310. The long calibration values should always be greater than the values displayed by EFUN 7 (Interpolator Short Calibration). The message display format is:

*LONG CAL 308 307 FUNC 08*
*LONG CAL 308 307 LVL 08*

**DISPLAY INTERPOLATOR MEASUREMENT (EF 09)**

**Effect:** The Interpolator Start and Stop counts are displayed for the current measurement. The Start value (the three digits to the left) should fall within the range of the Start values displayed by the Short Calibration (EFUN 7) and Long Calibration (EFUN 8) functions described above. Similarly, the Stop value (the three digits to the right) should fall within the range of the Stop values displayed by EFUN 7 and EFUN 8. The message display format is:

*MEAS 245 218 FUNC 09*
*MEAS 245 218 LVL 09*

**DISPLAY MRC E & T REGISTER CONTENTS FOR PULSE MEASUREMENTS (EF 33)**

**Effect:** The counter displays the contents of the MRC Events (E) and Time (T) registers for pulse measurements. Level is indicated if it occurs. The chosen resolution affects the contents of both registers, but the selected sample rate does not affect register contents. Math functions, if enabled, also have no effect. The T register portion of the display includes the fraction (in decimal form) calculated from the interpolator data. The contents of the E register is the number of events

counted during the time value contained in the T register. The messages are:

```
E  10019713  T  2003937  .28
E  10019713  T  2003  LVL
```

**DISPLAY GATE BIAS ERROR (EF 34)**

**Effect:** Displays the gate bias calibration error in picoseconds. The displayed value is the result of the gate bias calibration performed by extended function 54. The counter uses this number to adjust the gate times internally. The message format is:

```
GATE BIAS ERROR  104 PS
```

**DISPLAY ROM VERSION NUMBER (EF 40)**

**Effect:** Displays the ROM software version number currently in use in the instrument. The message display format is:

```
ROM VERSION  3847  A4  F  40
ROM VERSION  3847  LVL  40
```

**LO SYNTHESIZER VERIFICATION: USER ENTERED FREQUENCY (EF 51)**

**Effect:** lets you use the instrument as a down converter by selecting the sampler LO frequency. You are allowed to enter (via the front panel keys, or over the HP-IB) any frequency between 300 - 350 MHz. The LO will be set to the frequency entered. You can enter a new LO frequency any time. The down converted IF is available at the rear panel "IF OUT" connector.

You'll first need to determine where the LO must be set in order to generate the desired IF. The formula shown here lets you pick an IF output between 50 MHz - 100 MHz by setting the LO somewhere between 300 MHz - 350 MHz. Because the LO is quantized, some desired IF frequencies might not be obtained. The value of N (divisor) in the formula must be an integer between 1 and 67. (As high as 136 with Option 040.)

$$\frac{F(in) - IF}{N} = LO$$, Where: F(in) = Frequency of signal at INPUT 1
IF = 50 MHz - 100 MHz
LO = 300 MHz - 350 MHz
N = Integer between 1 and 67

To illustrate the use of this formula, suppose we want to down-convert an input signal of 18.08 GHz to an IF of 80 MHz. First we subtract 0.08 from 18.08 GHz which leaves 18 GHz. We must now find the values of N (upper and lower within the permitted range of 1 - 67) that can provide an approximate 80 MHz IF with a LO between 300 - 350 MHz.

By dividing 18 GHz by the lower and upper LO frequencies, we can get an upper and lower harmonic N of 60 and 51 respectively. At this point, a trial and error process of selection can be used starting with the mid-point of the range to find the exact value that best approaches 80 MHz. The exact IF is computed by the following formula:

F(in) −(LO x N) =IF

For a harmonic N of 55, the equation becomes, 18.08 −(327.3 MHz)(55)=78.5 MHz. Although this is close to the desired IF, we can try another number in the range, for instance 60. For a harmonic N of 60, the equation is now, 18.08 −(300 MHz)(60)=80.0 MHz. This gives us exactly 80 MHz.

When entering a value via the front panel keyboard, a four digit number (without the decimal point) must be entered, using the SET/ENTER key. For example, if the desired LO frequency is 310.5 MHz, enter 3, 1, 0, 5, SET/ENTER. The decimal point is displayed after the SET/ENTER key has been pressed.

To exit EFUN 51, press the RESET/LOCAL key, or use the DEC or INC key (arrow keys). The EXTEND FUNCT key cannot be used to exit EFUN 51 (the key is interpreted as a "1"). On entry to this function, the LO is automatically set to the last value used during the measurement cycle.

Indication of success or failure is shown on the display with an asterisk. The asterisk does NOT appear if the frequency is set and measured to be within the allowable margin defined by the upper and lower bounds of the synthesizer range. If the frequency is out of the synthesizer range, the asterisk appears on the display beside the requested frequency value. For example, if the LO is set to 295.9 MHz (within the allowable range), the messages would be:

*ENTER LO 295.9 A5 F 51*
*ENTER LO 295.9 LVL 51*

If you enter 4955 MHz (which is out of range), the message will be:

```
ENTER LO 4955 * A5 F 51
```

The asterisk also appears if the instrument fails to measure the requested LO frequency.

**GATE BIAS CALIBRATION (EF 54)**

**Effect:** Performs Gate Bias Calibration. This function is always performed at power-up and can also be used to check the A14 Gating Assembly circuits. The results of this function can be displayed via extended function 34. The displayed message is:

```
FUNCTION 54 CALIBRATING
```

**DISABLE HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE IF DETECTOR FLAGS: DISPLAY MEASUREMENT (EF 62)**

**Effect:** Disables the IF inband detector, and assumes that the IF is always "good" (i.e. the proper IF range). After disabling the flag, the instrument returns to the normal measurement cycle for either frequency or envelope parameters and ignores the results of the IF 35 MHz - 105 MHz in-band test and also the software 45 MHz - 95 MHz check. The frequency is displayed as for a regular measurement, as shown:

```
nn nnn nnn nnn FUNC 62
nn nnn nnn nnn LVL 62
```

If you call any other diagnostic (except for EFUN 63), or leave the diagnostic mode (by pressing RESET/LOCAL or toggling the EXTEND FUNCT key), the IF flags are once again enabled, and measurements proceed normally.

**DISABLE HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE IF DETECTOR FLAGS: DISPLAY IF (EF 63)**

**Effect:** Identical to EFUN 62, except that the instrument displays the IF, using the same format as EFUN 02 (Display IF). The messages are:

```
IF  nn nnn nnn .nn F 63
LVL nn nnn nnn .nn F 63
```

**DISABLE SOFTWARE IF DETECTOR FLAG: DISPLAY IF (EF 64)**

**Effect:** Similar to EFUN 62, but instead of disabling the IF inband detector, the software flag set by the IF frequency measurement (software check) is ignored; the IF is assumed to be always within the required range. The instrument returns to the normal measurement cycle and the current IF measurement is displayed as follows:

```
IF   nn  nnn  nnn  .nn  F  64
LVL  nn  nnn  nnn  .nn  F  64
```

**DISPLAY IF FUNCTION STATUS INDICATORS (EF 66)**

**Effect:** Displays the status of the four IF function LED indicators on the A6 IF Assembly. An asterisk (*) on the display indicates that a corresponding A6 LED is lit. The display is the same as the order of A6 LEDs from left to right: level, IF present, pulse mode, and IF inband latched. The message display format is:

```
IF STATUS **** A6 F 66
```

**DISABLE IF DETECTOR: DISPLAY IF FUNCTION STATUS INDICATORS (EF 67)**

**Effect:** Disables the IF detector and Displays the IF function status indicators in the same way as extended function 66 above. The message display format is:

```
IF STATUS **** A6 F 67
```

**DISPLAY NARROW PULSE HARMONIC NUMBERS (EF 68)**

**Effect:** Displays the harmonic numbers generated during measurement calculations for a 100 - 256ns pulse. (If option 040 is installed and Highband is active, then this pulse width range is 100 - 1024ns.) The harmonic numbers displayed are first, the initial estimate, followed by the actual number used for final measurement. This extended function also disables a tolerance check between the estimate and the actual number. This condition remains until some other extended function is called or SET/ENTER, RESET is pressed. The message display format is "n.nn" or "nn.nn" (decimal point implied):

```
HARM 000 U 000 U F 68
```

**SET PRINTER OPTION (EF 72)**

**Effect:** Lets you select which printer is to be used for the hardcopy profiling measurement output. When enabled, the following menu is displayed:

```
ENTER 0*TJET/QJET 1-PJET
```

The "*" indicates the currently active option. To select ThinkJet or QuietJet, enter "0" (default) then press SET/ENTER. This selection is confirmed by the following message:

*THINKJET OR QUIETJET*

To select PaintJet, enter "1" then press SET/ENTER. This selection is confirmed by the following message:

*PAINTJET ONLY*

The default state occurs at power-up, after the HP-IB INIT command is used or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence is entered.

**SET PRT OPT (EF 73)**

Effect: Has no effect at present and is reserved for future printer support. When called, the following message is displayed:

*PRT OPT 0 F 73*

**SET START TIME FOR PROFILING (EF 81)**

**Effect:** Sets the start time for profiling from 0 to 9.999999 ms. When selected EFUN 87, EFUN 88 and EFUN 89 are turned off, and the following prompt and message are displayed:

*0.000 T START*

To set a start time of 13ns, press the following keys: 1, 3, ns, SET/ENTER. This extented function operates together with EFUN 82 and EFUN 83 to specify how the profiling is to be done. The default value of 0 is loaded during power-up (full power-up or power-up from standby), after the INIT command, or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence is entered.

*NOTE*

*Extended functions 81 and 82 require short-term signal stability of 70 kHz. If Errors occur while attempting use of these extended functions because of input signal instability, you can still use Efuns 87, 88, and 89 to set up the measurement. Nominal IF period will be 14 ns.*

**SET STOP TIME FOR PROFILING (EF 82)**

**Effect:** Sets the stop time for profiling from 0 to 9.999999 ms. When selected, EFUN 87, EFUN 88, and EFUN 89 are turned off, and the following prompt and message are displayed:

*0.000 T FINAL*

To set a start time of 6 ms, press the following keys: 6, ms, SET/ENTER. The default value of 0 is loaded during power-up (full power-up or power-up from standby), after the INIT command, or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence.

The default value of 0 uses the pulse width or the external gate width to determine the stop time, as long as ESTART (EFUN 87), EDELTA (88) and DATAPTS (89) are not being used to control the profile.

**SET FINE OR COARSE DATA FOR PROFILING (EF 83)**

**Effect:** Selects fine or coarse data for profiling. When selected, the following prompt and message are displayed:

*FINE DATA or COARSE DATA*

If FINE DATA is selected, approximately 50 data points are used for profiling. If COARSE DATA is selected approximately 10 data points are used. This extented function operates together with EFUN 81 and EFUN 82 to specify how the profiling is to be done.

The default value of FINE,ON is loaded during full power-up, after the INIT command or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence. The fine or coarse profiling mode is stored in the standby RAM before power-down.

**SET PROFILING OUTPUT PRINTER OPTIONS (EF 84)**

**Effect:** Sets the profiling output printer options for tabular, graphic, or both. When selected, the following prompt and message are displayed :

*ENTER 0* BOTH 1-PLT 2-TBL*

The "*" indicates the currently active option. To select table only, enter "2", then press the SET/ENTER key. The following message appears after the selection:

*TABLE ONLY*

To select plot only, enter "1", then press the SET/ENTER key. The following message appears after the selection:

*PLOT ONLY*

To select both plot and table, enter "0", then press the SET/ENTER key. The following message appears after the selection:

*BOTH PLOT AND TABLE ON*

The default value, plot only, is loaded during full power-up, after the INIT command or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence. The selection is stored in the standby RAM before power-off. Entering numbers other than 0, 1, and 2 will not change the current active mode.

When profiling, the message "PROFILING- - -" is displayed. After the profiling is completed, the display changes to "PRINTING PLOT- - -" during graphic output to the printer. The display changes to "PRINTING TABLE- - -" during tablular output to the printer. When all the output to the printer is completed, the average frequency is displayed.

During Math overflow, the "MATH OVERFLOW" message is displayed at the end of profiling. The same message is also printed out on the text portion of the plot. These can be found alongside the rows for "Top of freq axis =", "Bottom of freq axis =" and "Average frequency =". The table output also has the same message printed out if there is a Math overflow error.

If you choose to manually control the profiling set-up parameters and then enter invalid values or parameter combinations, a plot error will occur. The counter will be unable to generate a plot and the message "PLOT ERROR" is printed out alongside the text legend of the plot. When this happens, the following parameters are set to 0 to indicate the error condition. In addition, the counter will display all 0's.

Time per division = 0 ns
Freq per division = 0 Hz
Start of time axis = 0 ns
Stop of time axis = 0 ns
Top of freq axis = 0 Hz
Average frequency = 0 Hz
Average step width = 0 ns

To obtain the printed output, ensure the counter's HP-IB address is set to 31 (TALK ONLY mode) and the printer is set to LISTEN ALWAYS mode. There must not be any other equipment connected to the HP-IB bus besides the printer and the counter (otherwise, the bus will hang). If the printer is not connected to the counter or set for the correct configuration, exit the profiling mode by cycling power to the counter.

During front panel operation, if you don't want to output data to the printer, then set the HP-IB address to values other than 31. At the conclusion of the profiling process, the average frequency is displayed.

**SET FILTER ON/OFF FOR PROFILING OUTPUT (EF 85)**

**Effect:** Toggles between filter on and filter off when selected. The following message is displayed when selected:

*FILTER ON* (or) *FILTER OFF*

The default value, filter on, is loaded during full power-up, after the INIT command or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence. The filter state (on/off) is stored in the standby RAM before power-off. Refer to Appendix D, "Modifying the Measurement," for more information.)

**ENTER ID PREFIX FOR PROFILING PRINTER OUTPUT PLOT (EF 86)**

**Effect:** Permits entry of an identifying prefix no larger than six decimal digits for a specific printer output plot. When selected, the following prompt and message are displayed:

*ID PRFIX 0 F 86*

When this function is selected, the suffix for the ID is initialized to 0001. Input of leading zeros is not displayed but will be output to the printer. For example, to input Feb 8, 1990, press these keys: 0,2,0,8,9,0, SET/ENTER. The display shows 20890, but the output on the plot or the table will be 020890.0001 for the first hardcopy.

The default value of 000000 (the full ID default is 000000.0001) is loaded during power-up (full power-up or power-up from standby), after the INIT command or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence.

**SET NUMBER OF DATA POINTS (STEPS) FOR FREQUENCY PROFILE (EF 87)**

**Effect:** Sets the number of steps during profiling. When selected, EFUN 81 and EFUN 82 are turned off and the following message and prompt is displayed:

*DATA PTS 0 F 87*

To set the number of steps to 35, press these keys: 3, 5, SET/ENTER. A maximum of 2 digits is allowed (the maximum number of steps is 99). This extented function operates together with EFUN 88 and EFUN 89 to specify how the profiling is to be done. The default value of 0 is loaded during power-up, after the INIT command, or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence.

**SET START IF CYCLE FOR FREQUENCY PROFILE (EF 88)**

**Effect:** sets the start event for profiling between 0 and 999999. When selected, EFUN 81 and EFUN 82 are turned off and the following message and prompt is displayed:

*E START 0 F 88*

To set the start event to 213, press the following keys: 2, 1, 3, SET/ENTER. This extented function operates together with EFUN 87 and EFUN 89 to specify how the profiling is to be done. The default value of 0 is loaded during power-up, after the INIT command, or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence.

**SET NUMBER OF IF CYCLES PER STEP FOR PROFILE (EF 89)**

**Effect:** sets the delta events for profiling between 0 and 999999. When selected, EFUN 81 and EFUN 82 are turned off and the following message and prompt is displayed:

*E DELTA 0 F 89*

To set the delta events to 34, press the following keys: 3, 4, SET/ENTER. This extented function operates together with EFUN 87 and EFUN 88 to specify how the profiling is to be done. The default value of 0 is loaded during power-up, after the INIT command, or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence.

**SET GATE WIDTH IN TIME (EF 90)**

**Effect:** Lets you specify the gate width in time from 0 through 9.999999 msec. If the programmed gate width is longer than the measured pulse, then the counter will read 0 (actual width may vary due to presence of FM or chirp on pulse). When selected, the following prompt and message is displayed:

*0.000 ENTR GW*

Enter the desired gate time and press SET/ENTER. The counter resumes measurement using the new gate time and displays the resulting measurement. Entering 0 causes the counter to automatically determine the gate width. (See page D-5–7 for more details of gating.)

**SET NUMBER OF AVERAGES FOR FREQUENCY MEASUREMENT (EF 91)**

**Effect:** Lets you specify how many separate frequency measurements are averaged to yield a displayed value. The range of selectable values is 0 through 9,999. Selecting a value of 0 disables this extended function and causes the counter to automatically determine the number of averages necessary for a desired resolution. If the total accumulated gate time for a measurement exceeds 20 seconds, the counter may read a zero value. The total gate time equals the programmed gate width × the number of averages. For externally gated measurements, if the total accumulated time exceeds 150 ms (external gate width ×number of averages), the counter may read 0. When selected, the following prompt and message are displayed:

*ENTER AV 0 A9 F 91*

Enter the desired average number and press SET/ENTER. The counter resumes measurement using the new average value and displays the resulting measurement. The RESOLUTION key now only controls the number of displayed digits.

**FORCE PULSE OR CW MEASUREMENT MODE (EF 92)**

**Effect:** Lets you override the counter's ability to automatically distinguish between pulse or CW signals. See Sample Rate Note for information about EFUN 92 use during HOLD, page 2-47. When enabled, the following menu is displayed with the asterisk indicating the currently active mode:

*ENTER 0-AUTO 1-CW 2*PLS*

If you want the counter to measure only pulsed signals, enter "2", then SET/ENTER. The following message appears and the counter resumes measurement:

*PULSE MEASUREMENTS ONLY*

If you want the counter to measure only CW signals, enter "1", then SET/ENTER. The following message appears and the counter resumes measurement:

*CW MEASUREMENTS ONLY*

If you want to return to the automatic recognition of either pulse or CW signals, enter "0", then SET/ENTER. The following message appears and the counter resumes measurement:

*PULSE AND CW MEASURE*

**ENTER <100NS PULSE MODE (EF 93)**

**Effect:** Enables <100 nanosecond pulse mode after entering MANUAL mode. This extended function is necessary when you're measuring pulse bursts that are less than 100 nanoseconds wide. When first selected, this mode is turned ON and the following message is displayed momentarily:

*LESS THAN 100 NS MODE ON*

When selected a second time, this mode is turned OFF and the following message is displayed momentarily:

*LESS THAN 100 NS MODE OFF*

Any further selection of this function continues to toggle it on or off.

**HIGH RESOLUTION (INPUT 1, PRF/INPUT 2, 1 MΩ) (EF 94)**

**Effect:** Turns High Resolution ON. This extended function is useful when your measurements require resolution greater than 1 Hz. The function applies only to INPUT 1 pulse repetition frequency and INPUT 2, 1 MΩ frequency measurements. The higher resolution obtained using this function depends on the input frequency. Refer to *Table 2-4,* High Resolution Displays for detailed limits.

When first selected, this mode is turned ON and the following message is displayed momentarily:

*HIGH RESOL ON*

When selected a second time, this mode is turned OFF and the following message is displayed momentarily:

*HIGH RESOL OFF*

Any further selection of this function continues to toggle it on or off.

**SET GATE WIDTH BY EVENTS (EF 95)**

**Effect:** Lets you set the gate width by IF events or cycles from 0 through 999999. If the programmed gate width is longer than the measured pulse, then the counter will read 0. To allow the counter to determine the gate width automatically enter 0. When selected, the following prompt and message is displayed:

*ENTER GW 0  A9  F95*

Enter the desired gate width by events and press SET/ENTER. The counter resumes measurement using the new gate width and displays the resulting measurement.

**ENTER CHIRP MODE (EF 96)**

**Effect:** Causes the instrument to accommodate frequency chirp on the pulse by reducing the gate width. When first selected, this mode is turned ON and the following message is displayed momentarily:

*CHIRP MODE ON*

When selected a second time, this mode is turned OFF and the following message is displayed momentarily:

*CHIRP MODE OFF*

Any further selection of this function continues to toggle it or off.

**SET IF FOR MANUAL CENTER FREQUENCY (EF 97)**

**Effect:** allows you to specify the IF (in MHz) when setting a manual center frequency. When selected, software inband checks are disabled and the following prompt and message is displayed:

*ENTER IF  0 A9 F 97*

To set the IF to 56 MHz, press these keys: 5, 6, SET/ENTER. No more than 2 digits are allowed with a maximum IF of 99 MHz. Exit this Efun by entering 0 or pressing SET/ENTER, RESET.

**KEYBOARD LOCKOUT (EF 98)**

**Effect:** Causes the instrument to ignore all front panel keyboard entry, except for a special key sequence that exits the mode. The display continues to function normally. When the user enters this mode, a lockout message is shown for approximately 1 second; the counter then returns to its normal measurement display. The message is:

*KEY BOARD LOCK OUT*

***NOTE***

*A level condition will NOT be indicated in the display.*

This function can only be entered using the standard extended function keyboard entry sequence (SET/ENTER, EXTEND FUNCT, 9, 8, SET/ENTER). The INC key advances to a maximum number of 97, and cannot be used to enter EFUN 98.

If a key is pressed at any time after the lockout is enabled, the lockout message appears briefly to indicate that the key has been ignored. The counter then returns to counting. If the instrument is powered-up from Standby with EFUN 98 active, the lockout message reappears for approximately 2 seconds. The counter then returns to counting. When the Keyboard Lockout is enabled and counting resumes, the extended function number defaults to 1.

The only way to exit EFUN 98 is to remove and then reconnect the ac power cord, send "INIT" over HP-IB, or to enter the following special key sequence: 7, 4, 0, RESET/LOCAL. Pressing this key sequence restores normal front panel control of the counter.

**DISPLAY LOCKOUT (EF 99)**

**Effect:** Locks out all messages from the display. All the annunciators are blank and the display shows the following constant message:

*DISPLAY LOCK OUT*

*NOTE:*

*A level condition will NOT be indicated in the display.*

This function can only be entered using the standard extended function keyboard entry sequence (SET/ENTER, EXTEND FUNCT, 9, 9, SET/ENTER). The INC key advances to a maximum number of 97, and cannot be used to enter EFUN 99.

If the instrument is powered-up from Standby with EFUN 99 active, the counter goes into normal measurement mode and displays the lockout message. When the Display Lockout is enabled and counting resumes, the diagnostic number defaults to 1.

The only way to exit EFUN 99 is to remove and then reconnect the ac power cord, send INIT" over HP-IB, or to enter the same key sequence used for exiting EFUN 98: 7, 4, 0, RESET/LOCAL. Pressing this key sequence causes the counter to return to normal message display.

## HP-IB Configuration

The following tutorial describes how to display, change, and determine the default values for the HP-IB address switch located on the rear panel of the counter. More detailed information about remote operation via HP-IB is located in Section 4 of this manual.

The power-up default value of the HP-IB address is:

HP-IB Address = HP-IB rear panel switch setting (A11S1)

*NOTE*

*The rear panel switch is read only after completion of all power-up Self Check/Cal routines. The HP-IB address is 00 until all power-up tests are completed and HP-IB initialization has occurred.*

### HOW TO DISPLAY THE HP-IB ADDRESS

This procedure describes how to identify the current HP-IB address. The example below displays the current HP-IB address of 14.

**Press: HP-IB Address**

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |

**Observe:** *14* *HP-IB*

**Effect:** Displays current HP-IB address momentarily, then returns to measurement display.

**Parameter Value Range:** Display function.

**Note:** If the current instrument address is "31", the display is "TALK ONLY 31 HP-IB" (TALK annunciator on).

**HOW TO SET THE HP-IB ADDRESS:**

This procedure describes how to set a new HP-IB address. The example below shows the current HP-IB address of 14 being changed to 27.

**Press: Set/Enter, HP-IB Address, 2, 7**

| | GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Observe:** | | | | *27* | *HP-IB* |

**Press: Set/Enter**

(New address entered, counter returns to measurement display)

**Effect:** Sets HP-IB address. This address is saved if the counter is switched to STBY. If ac power is removed from the instrument and then reapplied, the HP-IB address is determined by the switch settings of the rear panel HP-IB address switch (A11S1) after all power-up Self Checks are completed. No exit procedure is required for this mode, as the counter automatically returns to its previous status after the HP-IB address has been entered.

**Parameter Value Range:** 0 to 30 (31 = TALK ONLY)

**Note:** Be sure that the instrument address is not set to the same address as that of the controller. Typical HP controllers use address "21" as a preset address, thus the use of the address "21" as the HP 5361B address code should be avoided. In addition, when the HP-IB address is set to 31, the interface addresses itself to TALK, and will continuously handshake measurements over the bus. To escape the TALK ONLY mode, you must change the address and cycle the POWER switch.

## WHAT TO DO IF THERE IS A PROBLEM

This subsection provides you with information for solving operating problems if they occur. If the problem can be fixed by the user a procedure or reference is given. The organization of this subsection is as follows: User Problems and Solutions, Power-on Tests, Keyboard Test, Failure and Error Messages, Overflow Warning, and Diagnostic Extended Functions.

### User Problems and Solutions

The following list briefly describes some simple instrument problems and their solutions. This listing is not complete and

is meant to cover only some simple situations.

1. Nothing happens when you set the Power switch to ON.

   a. Is the instrument plugged in to an ac power source?

   b. If the instrument is connected to ac power, is the ac outlet live? (The red front panel STBY indicator should be lit when the instrument is OFF.)

   c. If a and b are "Yes", is the Line Fuse blown or line voltage selection card set correctly? Refer to page B-2 if it is.

   d. If you've replaced the Line Fuse and there's still a problem or the fuse blows again, set the Power switch to STBY and unplug the counter from ac power IMMEDIATELY. Refer service to qualified personnel or Hewlett-Packard Field Support.

2. Counter repeatedly fails one or more power-up Self Check subroutines and will not initialize.
   Refer service to qualified personnel or Hewlett-Packard Field Support.

3. You don't get the answer expected for measurements you've made.

   a. Press SET/ENTER, RESET to preset the instrument and restore front panel setup values then try again.

   b. Ensure that entered parameter values, conform to parameter range(s).

   c. If input pulses are 100 ns or less, is extended function 93 active and manual mode ON with INPUT 1 active?

   d. If input pulse repetition rate is <50 Hz, is the <50 Hz annunciator lit?

   e. If the counter reads zero and you know that a chirped-pulse signal is present at INPUT 1, have you turned ON EFUN 96?

   f. If the LVL message is displayed, verify the input power as 7 dBm or less, or wait for the IF AGC to settle.

4. Display shows "00 000 000 000" when you make CW measurements at INPUT 2.

   a. Is either the 50Ω or 1 MΩ measurement mode active?

   b. Is the measurement source input to the counter active?

   c. Is the INPUT 2 Low Frequency Input Fuse OK? If isn't, refer to page B-7 for replacement information.

   d. You've replaced the fuse at INPUT 2 and the display still shows zero Hertz. Refer service to qualified personnel or Hewlett-Packard Field Support.

5. Display or Keyboard is locked-out.

   a. Clear a display lockout via the keyboard, refer to page 2-79.

   b. Clear a keyboard lockout via the HP-IB interface (refer to page 4-34, INIT command) or cycle ac power to the counter.

6. If you're having trouble with data entry refer to the "Entering Parameter Values" and "Data Entry Considerations" titles of "Using the HP 5361B" subsection at pages 2-20 and 2-21 of this section.

7. If you get the "MATH OVERFLOW" message, you'll need to change an offset or scale value that is causing overflow in the microprocessor's calculated results. (Reducing the measured frequency will also prevent math overflow.)

8. You're attempting to Auto Profile a pulsed or CW sweep signal without success.

   a. Is the printer's HP-IB interface properly connected, addressed, and configured? (If you have a PaintJet, did you use EF 72 to configure the printer?)

   b. If you initiated the Profile process to the printer and the keyboard locks-up, you MUST cycle power to the counter to recover. Before powering back up ensure that the printer is set to LISTEN ALWAYS mode (cycling power to the printer) and that it's the only other device connected to the HP-IB/GP-IB bus. Now, turn the counter ON and immediately check the HP-IB address: it must be 31; TALK ONLY.

c. Did you set the counter's sample rate to HOLD before pressing the PROFILE key?

d. Is the input signal repetitive?

e. Is Chirp mode (EFUN 96) turned OFF?

f. If no external Arm/Gate signal is routed to the counter, is the Gate mode set to Internal?

g. If you're attempting to profile a swept CW signal, have you provided an external gate signal to commence the profile measurement process and set GATE mode to External?

## Power-On Tests

An automatic internal check (Power-Up Self Check) is made of several major components, including the microprocessor and related circuitry, when the counter is powered-up. During the power-up cycle, the display first shows all segments and annunciators lit, the "FUNC 54 CALIBRATING" message and then the current HP-IB address. At the same time, the instrument proceeds through a set of diagnostic routines to verify instrument operation, including both analog and digital circuit verification.

During Power-Up Self Check, the HP 5361B performs the following:

a. A front panel display routine is performed, during which all LCD segments and annunciators are lit for about 3 seconds, allowing visual verification by the user.

b. The microprocessor performs a RAM check, initializes the counter's measurement circuitry, initializes RAM, and then performs a ROM check.

c. A Self Check sequence is performed which verifies proper operation of the timebase oscillator, the counting circuitry (including interpolators), the LO, Gating, and IF circuitry, and the low frequency input circuitry. Finally extended function 54 executes, performing the gate bias calibration of the gating circuits.

d. The HP-IB interface is checked, and the address is read from the rear panel switch displayed. (If the counter is

powered-up from Standby, the last address entered via the front panel keyboard is recalled).

e. The current instrument status is checked, and the front panel annunciators are restored accordingly. A check is made for the presence of an external reference and lockout conditions. The front panel annunciators are updated, if necessary.

f. The Extended Function number is set to 1, Extended Function mode OFF, and the counter begins a measurement.

If any of the tests during the Power-Up Self Check fail, a failure message is displayed and remains until the RESET/LOCAL key is pressed, causing the next test to be executed (if possible). In this way, a failure may be bypassed to allow the counter to perform all of the power-up diagnostics.

To perform the Power-Up Self Check after the instrument has been turned on, cycle the POWER switch to STBY (Standby), then back to ON. During the Power-Up Self Check, all front panel LCD display segments and annunciators light momentarily, followed by the momentary display of the current HP-IB address. When all tests have been successfully completed, the counter measurement status is restored to conditions set before the POWER switch was cycled. (Note that the Power-Up Self Check is a more extensive test of the instrument than carried out when the front panel SELF CHECK key is pressed. Refer to the diagnostic extended function descriptions which follow.

If ac power was applied to the instrument just prior to turning it on, the counter will initialize itself to the following conditions when the POWER switch is set to ON:

a. Measurement modes:

| | |
|---|---|
| Auto (signal acquisition) | – ON |
| Manual (signal acquisition) | – OFF |
| Manual CF | – 1 GHz |
| Low Frequency 50Ω | – OFF |
| Low Frequency 1MΩ | – OFF |
| Low PRF Mode (Pulse Only) | – OFF |
| <100 ns Pulse Mode (EFUN 93) | – OFF |
| Chirp Mode (EFUN 96) | – OFF |

b. Measurement functions:

| | |
|---|---|
| Carrier Frequency | – ON |
| Frequency Profile | – OFF |
| Pulse Width | – OFF |
| Pulse Offtime | – OFF |
| Pulse Repetition Frequency | – OFF |
| Pulse Repetition Interval | – OFF |

c. Gate Mode – INTERNAL

d. Measurement modifiers:

| | |
|---|---|
| Sample Rate | – FAST |
| Resolution | – 1 MHz INPUT 1/ 1 Hz INPUT 2 |
| Pulse Averaging | – 1 (OFF) |
| FM Rate/Track | – NORMAL (CW Only) |
| High Resolution | – OFF |

e. Math functions:

| | |
|---|---|
| Offset | – OFF, 0 |
| Scale | – OFF, 1.000 |
| Smooth | – OFF |

f.

| | |
|---|---|
| HP-IB address | – Rear panel switch setting |
| Extended Functions | – OFF, 1 |

After the counter has initialized itself, the GATE INT, FM NORM (CW mode only), and AUTO annunciators are on, and the counter begins to count, if an input has been applied to INPUT 1. If no input has been applied to INPUT 1, the display shows all zeros, as follows:

| GHz | MHz | kHz | Hz |
|---|---|---|---|
| 00 | 000 | 000 | 000 |

## How to Use Self Check

If you want to run a test of the counter without cycling the ac power use the front panel SELF CHECK/CAL key. Use the procedure shown to check the instrument.

**Press: SELF CHECK/CAL**

**Observe:** *FUNCTION 54 CALIBRATING*

- then -

## *PASS SELF CHECK*

(displays Pass (or Fail) Message)

**Effect:** Turns ON Self Check/Cal routine. If Self Check passes, the pass message is displayed briefly, and then the counter returns automatically to its previous measurement mode. However, if Self Check fails, the RESET/LOCAL key must be pressed to by pass any failures and to exit the Self Check function. This key also executes extended function 54 which performs the gate bias calibration routine on the gating circuits.

**Parameter Value Range:** None

**Note:** The front panel Self Check/Cal function is a subset of the power-up Self Check routines. Such things as power supply, microprocessor, and RAM are not checked when this key is pressed. If self check fails, refer to page 2-88.

### Keyboard Check

**Press the following key sequence:**

**SET/ENTER, DIAGNOSTICS, 7,0, SET/ENTER**

to put the instrument in the Keyboard Check diagnostic mode (EFUN 70). The following message is displayed:

*KEY TEST A7 F70*

In the Keyboard Check mode, pressing the front panel keys causes the display to change in response to the particular key being pressed. The new display remains until another key is pressed. For example, pressing the TRIGGER key causes the display to change to the following:

*KEY TRIGGER A7 F70*

When performing the Keyboard Check, the keys may be pressed in any order, except the RESET/LOCAL key. You should press each of the keys and make sure that the associated message for each key is displayed, as listed below:

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *FREQ* | *OFFSET* | *RESOL* | *SELF CK* | *50 OHM* |
| *PW/OFFT* | *SCALE* | *GATE MD* | *HP-IB* | *1 MOHM* |
| *PRF/PRI* | *SMOOTH* | *FUNC* | *FM RATE* | *AUTO* |
| *RESET* | *SET* | *SAMP RT* | *TRIGGER* | *MANUAL* |

Pressing the RESET/LOCAL key causes the instrument to display "RESET" momentarily, and then exit from the test.

## Failure and Error Messages

A number of failure messages are possible during the Power-Up Self Check sequence. Almost all of the messages are in a form similar to the one shown below:

*FAIL 0** A2 F 20*

In this example, EFUN 20 (Low Frequency Input, 50Ω Verification: 35 MHz) has failed, indicating a possible problem in the A2 Low Frequency Input Assembly.

If any test during the Power-Up sequence fails, the "FAIL" message remains until the user presses the RESET/LOCAL key. At that point, the next test is executed (if possible). By pressing the RESET/LOCAL key, most failures can be bypassed to allow the counter to proceed with the Power-Up check sequence. When the last test is complete, the counter proceeds to normal operation, if possible.

Refer to Section 3 of the Service manual or qualified service support, for troubleshooting information if a "FAIL" message appears during the Power-Up sequence.

Under certain conditions, the counter may display a message indicating that an internal error condition exists during normal instrument operation. These errors are detected by the counter and identified by one of the four numbered Error Messages listed in *Table* 2-6. Because these errors are user corrected, you should take the appropriate action to clear and prevent them from occurring again. The error message content explains what the problem is.

*Table 2-6. HP 5361B Error Messages*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **ERROR 1:** | *HP-IB NOT IN* | *1 ERROR* | Remedy by pressing the RESET/LOCAL key. |
| **ERROR 2:** | *I/O* | *2 ERROR* | Refer to HP SERVICE/ SUPPORT |
| **ERROR 3:** | *OUT OF RANGE* | *3 ERROR* | Re-enter value within HP-IB command limits. |
| **ERROR 4:** | *SYNTAX* | *4 ERROR* | Check/correct program command. |

## Overflow Warning

If an entered offset or scale value combined with the input frequency causes an overflow in the microprocessor's calculated results, the counter will display:

*MATH OVERFLOW*

An "OVERFLOW" warning is cleared by removing the cause: changing the offset or scale value, or lowering the input frequency.

## Diagnostic Extended Functions

You can selectively use the diagnostic extended functions to isolate problems within the HP 5361B. Use the procedures described beginning at page 2-58. to call up the functions described below.

The following paragraphs list and describe in numerical order those extended functions that perform internal instrument checks and verification. The full title of the function is shown with its function number followed by an explanation of what it can do.

### SELF CHECK (EF 1)

**Effect:** Enables a particular sequence of diagnostic extended functions to test the measurement circuits of the counter. This function performs the same sequence of tests as the front panel Self Check function, but stays in a loop, repeating the test sequence until the extended function mode is exited or another function called. The tests are arranged so that each routine involves only one untested assembly. The test routines and the order in which they occur are listed in *Table* 2-7.

*Table 2-7. EFUN 1 Self Check Sequence*

| EFUN Number | Test | Assembly |
|---|---|---|
| EFUN 11 | Power Supply Verification | A1/A8 |
| EFUN 10 | Time Base Verification | A1 |
| EFUN 30 | MRC CH A Verification: 10 MHz Timebase | A3 |
| EFUN 50 | LO Verification: 29.5 MHz, 35.0 MHz | A5 |
| EFUN 31 | MRC CH B Verification: 35 MHz | A3 |
| EFUN 60 | IF Verification: 35 MHz, Disable INPUT 1 and IF | A6 |
| EFUN 32 | Interpolator Check | A3 |
| EFUN 20 | Low Frequency 50Ω Verification: 35 MHz | A2 |
| EFUN 21 | Low Frequency 1MΩ Verification: 35 MHz | A2 |
| EFUN 54 | Gate Bias Calibration | A14 |

*NOTE*

*EFUN 1 is not available over the HP-IB.*

If the counter passes EFUN 1, the messages are:

```
PASS   35   000   0**  F  01
PASS   35   000   0**  LVL  01
```

If a failure should occur, the counter displays the number of the failed EFUN, and the assembly involved. For example, if the EFUN 21 Direct Count test failed during EFUN 1, the display would be:

```
FAIL   nn   nnn   nnn  A2  F  01
```

The failure display formats for EFUN 11, 10, or 32 are exceptions to the format shown above. The possible messages are:

```
FAIL  POWER       A1  F  11
FAIL  TIMEBASE    A1  F  10
FAIL  INTERPOL    A3  F  32
```

If you exit the extended function mode during EFUN 1, the EFUN number remains at 1, regardless of whether the function passed or failed. For example, if the counter failed EFUN 31 during EFUN 1 and you exited the extended

function mode, the test number stored will be 1. The next time the EXTEND FUNCT key is pressed (to re-enter the extended function mode), the counter returns to EFUN 1, which (in this example) would again fail at EFUN 31.

**TIMEBASE VERIFICATION (EF 10)**

**Effect:** Confirms the presence of either an external or internal time base reference frequency. A signal (L 10MHz OK) from the Timebase Buffer circuit (on the A1 Timebase Buffer/Power Supply Control Assembly) is sampled by the A4 microprocessor to determine if the timebase is operational. The display messages are:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *PASS* | *TIMEBASE* | *A1 F 10* |
| *FAIL* | *TIMEBASE* | *A1 F 10* |
| *PASS* | *TIMEBASE* | *LVL 10* |

**POWER SUPPLY VERIFICATION (EF 11)**

**Effect:** Verifies operation of the power supply circuits on A1. The Power Supply circuit (on the A1 Timebase Buffer/Power Supply Control Assembly) sends a signal (H PWRSP OK) to the A4 microprocessor to indicate that most of the power supplies are functioning. All supply voltages in the instrument (except +5V, and the +3V on the A3 Assembly) are checked only for their presence or absence, but are not checked for specified voltage levels. The messages are:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *PASS* | *POWER* | *A1 F 11* |
| *FAIL* | *POWER* | *A1 F 11* |
| *PASS* | *POWER* | *LVL 11* |

**LOW FREQUENCY 50Ω VERIFICATION: 35 MHz (EF 20)**

**Effect:** Verifies the low frequency 50Ω measurement function. A 35 MHz test signal (AUX A/B) is provided by the A5 Synthesizer Assembly, derived by dividing the LO frequency (350 MHz) by 10. The A4 microprocessor switches this signal to the 50Ω input (INPUT 2) and the MRC counts the signal, verifying the frequency to ±100 Hz. This measurement is taken using a 100 ms gate time (with no interpolation). The messages are:

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *PASS* | *35* | *000* | *0*** | *A2 F* | *20* |
| *FAIL* | *nn* | *nnn* | *nnn* | *A2 F* | *20* |
| *PASS* | *35* | *000* | *0*** | *LVL* | *20* |

**LOW FREQUENCY 1 MΩ VERIFICATION: 35 MHz (EF 21)**

**Effect:** Verifies the low frequency 1 MΩ measurement function. A 35 MHz test signal (AUX A/B) is provided by the A5 Synthesizer Assembly, derived by dividing the LO frequency (350 MHz) by 10. The A4 microprocessor switches this signal to the 1MΩ input (INPUT 2) and the MRC counts the signal, verifying the frequency to ±100 Hz. This measurement is taken using a 100 ms gate time (with no interpolation). The messages are:

```
PASS  35     000   0**  A2  F  21
FAIL  nn     nnn   nnn  A2  F  21
PASS  35     000   0**  LVL     21
```

**MRC CHANNEL A VERIFICATION: 10 MHz TIMEBASE (EF 30)**

**Effect:** Verifies MRC channel A. The microprocessor programs the MRC to count its own 10 MHz time base in both registers. The result is checked to ±100 Hz accuracy using a 100 ms gate time (with no interpolation). The messages are:

```
PASS  10     000   0**  A3  F  30
FAIL  nn     nnn   nnn  A3  F  30
PASS  10     000   0**  LVL     30
```

**MRC CHANNEL B VERIFICATION: 35 MHz (EF 31)**

**Effect:** Verifies MRC channel B. The 35 MHz test signal (AUX A/B) available from the A5 Synthesizer Assembly is used to test Input B of the MRC. The result is checked to ±100 Hz using a 100 ms gate time (with no interpolation). The messages are:

```
PASS  35     000   0**  A3  F  31
FAIL  nn     nnn   nnn  A3  F  31
PASS  35     000   0**  LVL     31
```

**INTERPOLATOR CHECK (EF 32)**

**Effect:** Tests the interpolator circuitry by first comparing the Start and Stop measurements for the Short calibration. The difference must be less than 20 counts to pass the test. If the Short calibration values pass, the Long calibration is tested. The messages are:

```
PASS  INTERPOL      A3  F  32
FAIL  INTERPOL      A3  F  32
PASS  INTERPOL      LVL    32
```

**RAM TEST (EF 41)**

**Effect:** Performs a test algorithm on the microprocessor external RAM. The standby RAM inside the microprocessor is assumed to be functional, and is in use when performing the test. This test erases whatever is stored in the external RAM; critical values required to restore instrument operation after the test are saved in standby RAM. The messages are:

| | |
|---|---|
| PASS RAM | A4 F 41 |
| FAIL RAM | A4 F 41 |
| PASS RAM | LVL 41 |

**NOTE:** EFUNs 41, 42, and 43 are not available via HP-IB.

**ROM TEST (EF 42)**

**Effect:** Performs a checksum routine on the ROM. If the ROM which contains the execution code for this function is faulty, it is possible that the test may never be completed, causing an unpredictable display instead of a FAIL message. This depends entirely on the degree of the ROM failure. If the test passes or if the message display is not affected by a ROM failure, the possible messages are:

| | |
|---|---|
| PASS ROM | A4 F 42 |
| FAIL ROM | A4 F 42 |
| PASS ROM | LVL 42 |

**REPEATED RESET (EF 43)**

**Effect:** Performs a test sequence similar to the power-up self check. The sequence of tests for EFUN 43 is as follows:

1. Display: all segments lit, all annunciators lit.
2. Extended function 42: ROM Test.
3. Extended function 1: Self Test.
   a. EFUN 11 – Power Supply Verification
   b. EFUN 10 – Timebase Verification
   c. EFUN 30 – MRC Channel A Verification: 10 MHz Timebase
   d. EFUN 50 – LO Verification: 29.5 MHz, 35.0 MHz
   e. EFUN 31 – MRC Channel B Verification: 35 MHz
   f. EFUN 60 – IF Verification: 35 MHz; Disable INPUT 1 and IF

g. EFUN 32 – Interpolator Check
h. EFUN 20 – Low Frequency 50Ω Verification: 35 MHz
i. EFUN 21 – Low Frequency 1 MΩ Verification: 35 MHz
j. EFUN 54 – Gate Bias Calibration

4. Restore front panel annunciators based on instrument status.

5. HP-IB verification and address display

6. Check for external reference; update annunciators.

7. Test for HOLD mode; If so, display message.

8. Test for lockouts in effect; if so, display message.

9. Set current extended function number to 43.

The EFUN 43 routine continuously cycles through the above tests until the function is exited by the operator. When exited, EFUN 43, like the power-up self check, restores the status of the instrument that existed before the function was called. If the tests pass, the display alternates between showing all segments lit, FUNCTION 54 CALIBRATING, and the HP-IB address in the format shown below:

(All 24 LCD segments lit for 2–3 seconds)

*FUNCTION 54 CALIBRATING*
*LVL nn HP-IB*

– where nn is a number from 0 to 31.

If EFUN 43 failure occurs, the messages displayed depend on which functions are failing. Refer to the descriptions of the individual diagnostic extended functions for general information about possible failures which may occur during EFUN 43.

**LO SYNTHESIZER VERIFICATION: 29.5 MHz AND 35 MHz (EF 50)**

**Effect:** Sets the A5 LO frequency to 295 MHz, and sends the AUX B (LO/10 = 29.5 MHz) signal to Input B of the MRC to be counted. This test uses the same measurement procedure as EFUNs 20, 21, 30, 31, and 60. If the 295 MHz test passes, the test is repeated at 350 MHz. If the test fails at either frequency, the "FAIL" message displays the measured AUX B frequency.

If the test passes both frequencies, the second AUX B measurement (LO/10 = 350/10) is displayed. The messages are:

```
PASS  35     000   0**  A5  F  50
FAIL  nn     nnn   nnn  A5  F  50
PASS  35     000   0**  LVL    50
```

**LO SYNTHESIZER SWEEP (EF 52)**

**Effect:** Sweeps the synthesizer from 275.0 MHz up to 375.0 MHz, in 100 kHz steps. EFUN 52 does not show a pass or fail message on the display, but instead gives a message indicating that a test is in progress. The complete sweep requires about four seconds. The results of this test may be seen by connecting a spectrum analyzer to the W2 output cable of the A5 Synthesizer Assembly. The messages are:

```
275-375     LO SWEEP   A5  F  52
275-375     LO SWEEP   LVL    52
```

**LO SYNTHESIZER LOWER, UPPER FREQUENCY BOUNDS (EF 53)**

**Effect:** Determines the upper and lower bounds of the LO frequency. The A4 microprocessor attempts to program the synthesizer well below its known lower bound range. The measured frequency is a very good approximation to the lower bound. A similar procedure determines the upper bound. These upper and lower values are displayed for visual verification by the operator (the A4 microprocessor does not make a pass/fail decision). The messages are:

```
LO   nnnn   HI   nnnn A5  F  53
LO   nnnn   HI   nnnn LVL    53
```

- where nnnn represents some Local Oscillator frequency in the format nnn.n MHz (the decimal point is implied). For example, if "LO 2505 HI 3985" is displayed, the lower bound is 250.5 MHz, and the upper bound is 398.5 MHz.

The lower bound of the LO frequency should be less than 275 MHz (a typical value would be 245 MHz). The upper bound should be greater than 375 MHz (a typical value would be 405 MHz).

**IF VERIFICATION: 35 MHz; DISABLE INPUT 1 AND IF (EF 60)**

**Effect:** Verifies A6 IF function. The 35 MHz test signal (AUX A/B) provided by the A5 Synthesizer Assembly is switched to the A6 IF Amplifier/Detector Assembly which in turn sends the signal to Channel A of the MRC to be counted. The signal

is counted to ±100 Hz accuracy using a 100 ms gate time (with no interpolation). To ensure proper diagnostic results, the microprocessor disables the INPUT 1 circuit by turning off dc power to the A12 Microwave Assembly, and disables the normal IF path by turning off the first two gain stages of the A6 Assembly. The messages are:

```
PASS 35     000   0**  A6  F  60
FAIL nn     nnn   nnn  A6  F  60
PASS 35     000   0**  LVL    60
```

**CHECK LEVEL DETECTOR (EF 61)**

**Effect:** Indicates whether the level detector has triggered and been detected by the A4 microprocessor during the time since the last reset of the level flag. (A red LED at the top of the A6 IF Amplifier/Detector Assembly indicates the circuit level status.) There are two possible ways that the level flag can be reset: pressing the RESET/LOCAL key to exit this function, or switching the instrument power off (STBY). If this test is exited using the EXTEND FUNCT key, the flag is NOT reset. The messages are:

```
NO LVL OCCURRED     A6  F  61
   LVL OCCURRED     A6  F  61
```

**IF VERIFICATION: 35 MHz; DISABLE INPUT 1 (EF 65)**

**Effect:** Similar to EFUN 60. The AUX A/B 35 MHz test signal from the A5 Synthesizer Assembly is switched by the A4 microprocessor to the A6 IF Amplifier/Detector Assembly, which in turn sends the signal to Channel A of the MRC to be counted. The signal is counted to ±100 Hz accuracy using a 100 ms gate time (with no interpolation). To perform this test, the microprocessor disables the INPUT 1 circuit by turning off dc power to the A12 Microwave Assembly, in the same way as EFUN 60; however, the normal IF path is NOT disabled. The messages are:

```
PASS 35     000   0**  A6  F  65
FAIL nn     nnn   nnn  A6  F  65
PASS 35     000   0**  LVL    65
```

**KEYBOARD TEST (EF 70)**

**Effect:** Allows the front panel keyboard to be tested. Any key, when pressed, causes the name of the key function to be displayed. The displayed key names are:

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *FREQ* | *OFFSET* | *RESOL* | *SELF CK* | *50 OHM* |
| *PW/OFFT* | *SCALE* | *GATE MD* | *HP-IB* | *1 MOHM* |
| *PRF/PRI* | *SMOOTH* | *FUNC* | *FM RATE* | *AUTO* |
| *RESET* | *SET* | *SAMP RT* | *TRIGGER* | *MANUAL* |

Before a key is pressed, the messages are:

```
KEY TEST                A7  F  70
KEY TEST                LVL    70
```

When a key is pressed, the display changes to show the function name of the pressed key. For example, if the user presses the MANUAL key, the message will be:

```
KEY MANUAL              A7  F  70
```

To exit this routine, you must press the RESET/LOCAL key. The word RESET appears on the display for approximately 1 second, and then the instrument returns to the normal measurement mode. Pressing the EXTEND FUNCT key will NOT exit this test, as it is interpreted as a key to be tested, and only displays the test message associated with that key. (Note that the INC and DEC functions are also not usable, as pressing either one is interpreted as a test of the SCALE and SMOOTH function keys.)

**DISPLAY TEST (EF 71)**

**Effect:** Causes the display to alternate between fully lit (all segments and annunciators) and fully blank (no segments and no annunciators lit). A visual verification is required. A level indication will NOT be shown in this display.

**HP-IB VERIFICATION (EF 80)**

**Effect:** Causes the A11 HP-IB Interface Assembly to execute its start-up tests, resetting the HP-IB processor and initializing its memory. The messages are:

```
PASS  HP-IB                    A11  F 80
FAIL  HP-IB                    A11  F 80
PASS  HP-IB   000   0**  LVL      80
```

*NOTE*

*EFUN 80 is not available over the HP-IB.*

# 3

# HP 5361B CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

## SECTION GUIDE

This section provides you with information about the HP 5361B controls, indicators, and signal connections. The front panel keys, display, and signal connections are explained first followed by the rear panel features. A large foldout illustration (*Figures* 3-2 and 3-3) is provided as an aid to locate and understand the front and rear panel features of the HP 5361B.

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## FRONT PANEL FEATURES

*Figure 3-2* shows you the front panel features of the HP 5361B. The following paragraphs provide descriptions of these features. Complete explanations of all keys and functions follow a general description of the keyboard layout and organization. A detailed description of the front panel display and annunciators begins after the key function descriptions. This is followed by a description of the front panel connectors.

### Keyboard

The front panel keyboard contains 20 push- buttons that send data and commands to the microprocessor. You can use the keyboard to select functions, control measurements, and enter data. The keyboard switches consist of a RESET/LOCAL key, a SET/ENTER key, three FUNCTION keys, three MATH keys, and twelve CONTROL/DATA keys, as shown in *Figure 3-2*.

All keys on the keyboard, except SET/ENTER, play multiple roles of function selection and parameter (data) entry. Function selection assignments are labeled above each key on the front panel. Data entry assignments are labeled either to the left of each key or directly on the face of each key cap. Refer to *Table 3-1* for a summary of all key assignments.

*Table 3-1. Key Assignments*

| FUNCTION ASSIGNMENT | DATA ENTRY ASSIGNMENT |
|---|---|
| AUTOmatic | 3 |
| MANUAL | ± |
| 50Ω | 9 |
| 1MΩ | 6 |
| RESOLUTION | 7 |
| EXTENDED FUNCTION | 1 |
| FM RATE/TRACK | 2 |
| SAMPLE RATE | 0 |
| HP-IB ADDRESS | 5 |
| GATE MODE | 4 |
| SELF CHECK/CAL | 8 |
| TRIGGER | . |
| OFFSET | LST VAL (last value) |
| SCALE | → INC (increment) |
| SMOOTH | ← DEC (decrement) |
| FREQUENCY/PROFILE | GHz ms |
| P WIDTH/OFFTIME | MHz μs |
| PRF/PRI (1/PRF) | kHz ns |

After you press the SET/ENTER key and select a function such as offset, the display prompts you for more information. The keyboard now becomes a numeric data entry pad. Enter the requested data and end by pressing the SET/ENTER key a second time. In the OFFSET mode, entry of the last measurement value as an offset is simplified by the LST VAL key; this function sets the offset as the negative value of the last measurement. The LST VAL key can also be used to set the manual center frequency to the last measurement and enter offset values for pulse parameter measurements.

## Key Functions

The following paragraphs explain the basic function of each key on the front keyboard. Three of the keys, FREQUENCY/PROFILE, P WIDTH/OFFTIME, and PRF/PRI (1/PRF), are grouped together in the FUNCTION group. Three more, OFFSET, SCALE, and SMOOTH, are in the MATH section. The remaining keys, except for RESET/LOCAL and SET/ENTER, are grouped together in the CONTROL/DATA section. The location of each key is shown in *Figure* 3-2. Refer to Section 2, "Further Use of the HP 5361B", for examples of how to use each of the major functional modes of the HP 5361B.

### POWER

When the POWER switch is in the ON position, power is applied to the instrument. The STBY (Standby) position removes operating power to the instrument, but provides power for certain microprocessor and timebase circuits. When present, the Option 001 or 010 oven oscillator also receives power to maintain a constant temperature for the crystal.

The STBY LED indicator located to the left of the POWER switch remains on when the switch is in the standby position. The input to the power transformer, and dc voltages to the microprocessor standby RAM, timebase buffer, and the oscillator oven circuitry are always energized whenever power is connected, regardless of front panel power switch setting.

*WARNING*

**BEFORE APPLYING AC POWER, THE INSTRUMENT AND ALL PROTECTIVE EARTH TERMINALS, EXTENSION CORDS, AUTO-TRANSFORMERS, AND DEVICES CONNECTED TO THE INSTRUMENT SHOULD BE CONNECTED TO A PROTECTIVE EARTH GROUNDED SOCKET. ANY INTERRUPTION OF THE PROTECTIVE EARTH GROUNDING WILL CAUSE A POTENTIAL SHOCK HAZARD THAT COULD RESULT IN PERSONAL INJURY.**

The rear panel reference outputs are available when in standby mode, and the state of the instrument is saved as long as ac power is connected to the instrument. All parameter and function settings are stored in the processor standby RAM.

**RESET/LOCAL**

You can press this key to abort any current activity and resume measuring if the counter is already in the measurement mode. Pressing RESET/LOCAL clears any Error messages, which may appear, and exits the Self Check/Cal or Extended function modes. If you are entering data via the front panel keyboard, pressing RESET/LOCAL aborts any partially entered sequence, and the counter returns to the current measurement mode. If the counter is in the extended function mode, RESET/LOCAL aborts any partially entered sequence, and the counter returns to the current measurement mode.

If the instrument is in the remote operating mode, then the RESET/LOCAL key also acts as a "return to Local" key. It is the only active key when the counter is in the remote mode, and may be disabled using the "Local Lockout" HP-IB function, or the "Keyboard Lockout" function (EFUN 98).

You can initialize the counter to the same state as plug-in power-up without erasing the HP-IB address by first pressing SET/ENTER, and then RESET/LOCAL.

**FREQUENCY/PROFILE**

Press this key to display the carrier frequency of a microwave pulse/CW input or begin profiling a microwave pulse or CW sweep signal. The default power-on state for this function pair is FREQUENCY. The two functions, frequency and profile, toggle with successive keystrokes.

Pressing the PROFILE key causes the counter to "frequency" profile a repetitive pulse or CW sweep signal. The frequency profile feature of the HP 5361B is illustrated in the "Auto Pulse Profiling" application example beginning on page 1-16 of Section 1 in this manual. Refer to page 2-31 for more information concerning the PROFILE key function and Appendix D for details of how this measurement function can operate and be customized with extended functions 81 through 89.

After you have pressed this key the display momentarily shows "FREQUENCY MEASUREMENT" or "PROFILE MEASUREMENT" followed by the actual measurement value. The counter continues to measure and display frequency values until you select another pulse measurement function, measurement mode, math modifier, or measurement modifier. There is no data entry associated with the FREQUENCY function. Refer to page 2-30 in Section 2 for information on how to use the FREQUENCY key function

**P WIDTH/OFFTIME**

Press this key to view either the width (duration) of a pulse or the interval of time between the end of one pulse and start of the next pulse. When you first press this key, the display momentarily shows "PULSE WIDTH" followed by the actual measurement value. This value is displayed until you press the key a second time or select another pulse parameter, measurement mode, math modifier, or measurement modifier. This key does not work if INPUT 2 is selected.

When pressed a second time, the display momentarily shows "PULSE OFF TIME" followed by the actual value of the measurement. When you press this key repeatedly, the measurement function toggles between P WIDTH and OFFTIME. There is no data entry associated with this key. Refer to page 2-33/34 in Section 2 for information on how to use the P WIDTH/OFFTIME key.

**PRF/PRI (1/PRF)**

Press this key to view either the Pulse Repetition Frequency (PRF) of a pulse or its Pulse Repetition Interval (PRI). When you first press this key, the display momentarily shows "PULSE REP FREQ" followed by the actual measurement value. This value is displayed until you press the key a second time or select another pulse parameter, measurement mode, math modifier, or measurement modifier. This key does not work if INPUT 2 is selected.

When pressed a second time, the display momentarily shows "PULSE REP INTERVAL" followed by the actual value of the measurement. When you press this key repeatedly, the measurement function toggles between PRF and PRI. There is no data entry associated with this key. Refer to page 2-34/35 in Section 2 for information on how to use the PRF/PRI (1/PRF) key.

**OFFSET** This key allows you to enter a positive or negative constant automatically added to each measurement. When you press the OFFSET key, the current offset value is displayed until the key is released, after which the counter continues measuring, displaying the sum of the input value plus the offset. A negative offset is displayed with a minus sign immediately to the left of the digits.

A blank space is displayed to the left of the digits for a positive offset. You can change the sign at any time during parameter entry, toggling it as many times as you wish. The offset is entered in megahertz, down to 1 Hz resolution for frequency measurements and milliseconds (ms), microseconds ($\mu$s), and nanoseconds (ns) for pulse envelope measurements. After the decimal point is pressed, subsequent digits are displayed to the right of the 1 MHz position in the parameter section. The final, entered offset is displayed with no decimal point, as it is fixed-point notation. To turn off the offset, press the OFFSET key again.

The offset value may be entered using the Control/Data keys or by pressing the LST VAL (Last value) key. When using the LST VAL key, the offset is set to the negated value of the last CW frequency/pulse parameter measured, exclusive of any math function that may be active. Refer to page 2-51 in Section 2 for information on how to use the OFFSET key.

**SCALE** Press this key to enter a signed constant, used as a multiplication factor. (Entering a decimal fraction lets you effectively perform division.) Pressing the SCALE key turns on the Scale function, and the current scale value is displayed until the key is released. After the key is released, the counter continues measurement and display of the scale factor/measurement product. When combined with the Offset function, the counter automatically computes and displays the following:

[(Measurement value) ×(SCALE)] + OFFSET

To turn off the Scale function, press the SCALE key again. Refer to page 2-55 in Section 2 for information on how to use the SCALE key.

**SMOOTH** Pressing the SMOOTH key lets you initiate the "automatic resolution" algorithm, causing the counter to display only those digits that are stable. The input CW frequency/pulse carrier frequency is averaged to remove small deviations and stabilize the display. The unstable digits are masked in the same manner as the RESOLUTION display. Pressing the SMOOTH key a second time disables the Smooth function. There is no data entry associated with this function. Refer to page 2-57 in Section 2 for information on how to use the SMOOTH key.

**SET/ENTER** You'll need to use this key during parameter value entry for various keyboard functions. Parameter value entry is always initiated by pressing the SET/ENTER key once, after which the counter displays"SET". The counter then waits for you to press a function key. After a function key has been pressed, the keyboard is in "parameter entry mode" and the "0-9" keys are available (Refer to *Table 3-1*). Parameter entry is terminated by pressing the SET/ENTER key a second time (entering the value into memory).

When setting a parameter value, you can abort the entire sequence at any time by pressing the RESET/LOCAL key. The counter will then return to the state it was in before the SET/ENTER key was pressed. Refer to page 2-20 in Section 2 for information on how to use the SET/ENTER key.

**RESOLUTION** This key allows you to change the number of significant digits displayed for measurements. For CW measurements, a higher resolution results in a longer gate time; the lower the resolution, a shorter gate time. You can vary this parameter in decade steps from 1 Hz (highest resolution) to 1 MHz (lowest resolution) using the INC (increment) and DEC (decrement) keys. Since the minimum gate time is 1 millisecond, resolutions of less than 1 kHz change only the displayed resolution, not the measurement time.

During pulse measurements, resolution and gate time are not related as simply as for CW measurements. A higher requested resolution requires measurement of an increased number of pulses. The number of pulses required to obtain a given resolution is a function of both the resolution requested

and the width of the pulse. The number of pulses averaged increases as the pulse width decreases for a given resolution. If a requested pulse resolution cannot be obtained, then an asterisk is shown at the right side of the display along with the requested digit.

The current setting of the frequency resolution/pulse averaging may be displayed by pressing the RESOLUTION key during measurements. The displayed value remains until the key is released.

For frequency resolution, the nonsignificant digits of a measurement are rounded off and shown either blanked or replaced by the asterisk symbol *, depending on the resolution. Refer to page 2-42 in Section 2 for information on how to use the RESOLUTION key.

For pulse averaging, the current number of averages is displayed momentarily. Refer to page 2-45 in Section 2 for information on how to use the Averaging function.

**GATE MODE** This key lets you select the gate mode best suited for your measurement needs. Pressing this key cycles through three gate modes: Arm, External, and Internal. Both CW and Pulse measurements are automatically gated when the counter is set to Internal gate mode (Sample Rate not set to HOLD).

If either Arm or External gate are selected, an external signal must be provided at the front panel GATE/ARM input. Refer to page 2-37 of Section 2 for more information on how to use gating and arming during pulse/CW measurements.

**EXTENDED FUNCTION** This key allows you to call up extended function routines that can provide additional measurement information or perform various tests on the instrument for troubleshooting. Pressing this key once turns on the extended functions and causes the counter to carry out the current extended function routine. The current routine is the one last entered, or if the counter has just been turned on, the default of 1. To exit this mode, press the EXTENDED FUNCTION key a second time, or press the RESET/LOCAL key.

You may enter a new extended function number (from 1 to 99) in the parameter entry mode, by using the Control/Data keys for numeric entry. Most of the functions may also be entered using the INC (increment) or DEC (decrement) keys. Other

instrument functions may be set up while in extended function mode (for example, measurement modes, resolution, etc).

You can call 20 different diagnostic extended function routines for testing instrument circuitry. Not all of the numbers between 1 and 99 are used for extended functions. If you enter an invalid number the counter shows a "NOT AVAILABLE FUNC nn" message on the display. (See *Table* 2-5, page 2-62.)

To get out of a "NOT AVAILABLE FUNC nn" condition, use the INC or DEC keys to go to the nearest valid choice, or use the SET/ENTER key sequence to enter a new selection. The Extended function mode may also be exited as described previously, using the EXTENDED FUNCTION or RESET/LOCAL key. Refer to page 2-58 in Section 2 for information on how to use the EXTENDED FUNCTION key.

**SAMPLE RATE** This key lets you set the dead time between measurements. The maximum rate (Fast) allows the instrument to count as frequently as possible. The other extreme (Hold) keeps the last measurement until you start a new measurement by pressing the TRIGGER key. When the sample rate is set at "Hold", the HOLD annunciator is lit.

While setting the sample rate, the GATE annunciator flashes at the currently selected rate. Pressing the SAMPLE RATE key while the instrument is counting causes the current sample rate to appear until the key is released, after which the counter returns to counting. Refer to page 2-47 in Section 2 for information on how to use the SAMPLE RATE key.

**HP-IB ADDRESS** This key lets you display and set the HP-IB address. When you power-up the instrument just after restoring ac power, the HP-IB address of the counter is determined by the rear panel address switch. (Switch settings on the HP-IB board.) Pressing the HP-IB ADDRESS key displays the current address until the key is released, after which the instrument resumes counting. The current address can be changed by going to the parameter entry mode and using the SET/ENTER key. Addresses 0 through 30 are valid bus addresses. Address 31 is used to set the counter to the TALK ONLY mode.

If the counter is switched to STBY and then back to ON, it remains set to the HP-IB address entered via the front panel keyboard. If ac power to the instrument is lost and then restored, the instrument defaults to the address determined by

the rear panel address switch settings. Refer to page 2-80 in Section 2 for information on how to use the HP-IB ADDRESS key.

**SELF CHECK/CAL**

You can press the SELF CHECK/CAL key to do a quick operational verification of the instrument. Self Check calls up a sequence of diagnostic subroutines that test the measurement circuitry. The subroutines are ordered so that no test depends on more than one untested circuit assembly. A Gate Bias calibration is also performed.

If Self Check passes, a "PASS" message is displayed for about 3 seconds, and the counter returns to the measurement cycle. If Self Check fails, a "FAIL" message is displayed. After a failure, the Self Check sequence restarts and the failure message continues to appear.

You can bypass Self Check failures by pressing the RESET/LOCAL key. The remaining subroutines in the Self Check sequence will be carried out, until another failure occurs, or the last test is completed. Pressing the RESET/LOCAL key again returns the counter to its previous measurement mode. Refer to page 2-86 in Section 2 for information on how to use the SELF CHECK/CAL key.

**FM RATE/TRACK**

The FM RATE/TRACK key works only when using INPUT 1 and AUTO mode for CW measurements. You can use this key to select three different acquisition methods during high frequency CW measurements. These options let you improve signal tracking or compensate for very low FM rates.

Pressing the FM RATE/TRACK key toggles this function through its states: Normal Rate, Low Rate, and Track. When set to Low Rate, the measurement gate time of the counter is increased to ensure an accurate measurement of signals with FM rates as low as 45 Hz, and high deviation. When set to Track, a faster acquisition time is used to improve signal tracking of frequencies with FM rates equal to or greater than 300 kHz, and high deviation.

One of three front panel annunciators (FM NORM, LOW, TRACK) is lit to indicate which FM Rate/Track mode is currently selected while in Auto mode. When the instrument is in Pulse mode, none of these annunciators are lit. There is no data entry associated with this function. Refer to page 2-49 in

Section 2 for information on how to use the FM RATE/TRACK key.

**TRIGGER** Press the TRIGGER key to start a new measurement when the counter sample rate is set to HOLD. There is no data entry associated with this function. Refer to page 2-49 in Section 2 for information on how to use the TRIGGER key. Pressing this key when the counter is not in "HOLD" will abort the current measurement and restart another.

**50Ω** You can use this key to select the Low Frequency, 50Ω input mode (INPUT 2) for measuring CW signals between 10 MHz to 525 MHz from 50Ω sources. Pressing the 50Ω key turns on this mode, and disables the INPUT 1 high frequency circuit by turning off the A12 Microwave Assembly. The measured frequency is displayed in the parameter section of the display; the message section shows "CW IN2".

To exit the 50Ω mode, press one of the three other measurement mode keys (AUTO, MANUAL, 1MΩ); pressing the 50Ω key a second time has no effect. There is no data entry associated with this key. Refer to page 2-27 in Section 2 for information on how to use the 50Ω key.

**1MΩ** You can use this key to select the Low Frequency, 1MΩ input mode (INPUT 2) for measuring CW signals between 10 Hz to 80 MHz from 1MΩ sources. Pressing the 1MΩ key turns on this mode, and disables the INPUT 1 high frequency circuit by turning off the A12 Microwave Assembly. The measured frequency is displayed in the parameter section of the display; the message shows "CW IN2".

To exit the 1MΩ mode press one of the other measurement mode keys; pressing the 1MΩ key again has no effect. There is no data entry associated with this key. Refer to page 2-27 in Section 2 for information on how to use the 1MΩ key.

**AUTO** Press this key to put the counter in the Automatic measurement mode. The instrument powers-up in the automatic measurement mode, and the AUTO annunciator on the front panel is lit. In this mode, the counter automatically acquires and measures the signal at INPUT 1.

Measurements are displayed in the parameter section of the display; the message section of the display shows the current measurement mode, or displays "LEVEL" if a level condition

exists. To exit the Auto mode, press one of the other measurement mode keys; pressing the AUTO key a second time has no effect. There is no data entry associated with this key. Refer to page 2-23 in Section 2 for information on how to use the AUTO key.

**MANUAL** This key lets you enter a specific Center Frequency (CF) for the counter to measure. To enter this mode, press the MANUAL key. The most recent measurement becomes the Manual CF. The CF is displayed until the key is released, then the counter begins counting in Manual mode.

The measured frequency is shown in the parameter section of the display; the message section shows the current measurement mode or displays "LEVEL" if a level condition exists. To exit the MANUAL mode, press The AUTO, 50 Ω, or 1 MΩ key; pressing the MANUAL key a second time has no effect.

Enter a center frequency by pressing the SET/ENTER key, then MANUAL. The current center frequency is displayed, and may be changed. You can also enter a CF using the LST VAL key. In this case, the CF is set to the value of the last measured frequency, excluding any math functions that may be active. Pressing the SET/ENTER key a second time enters the new CF into memory, and the counter begins counting using the new value.

If you enter a manual CF which is greater than MAX GHz or less than 500 MHz, then an error is displayed. After you clear the error, the counter returns to counting using the previous value. If a CF containing fractional-megahertz values is entered, the fractional portion is truncated on pressing the SET/ENTER key. Refer to page 2-24 of Section 2 for more information on how to use the MANUAL key.

The CF entered should be no more than 20 MHz from the input frequency for inputs in the 1 Ghz - MAX GHz range, and no more than 3 MHz from the input frequency for inputs in the 500 MHz - 1 GHz range. If the CF is too far from the input frequency, the counter may display an incorrect measurement.

## Front Panel Display and Annunciators

All HP 5361B display functions appear on a Liquid Crystal Display. Operating modes, math /measurement modifiers, and gate status are shown by arrow annunciators located along the bottom of the display. When lit, these arrows point to the function names marked on the front panel just beneath the LCD readout.

The front panel display consists of 24 LCD characters, as shown in *Figure 3-1*. During measurement and parameter entry, the characters are divided into a parameter section, and a message section.

The parameter display section has 12 digits, grouped in sets of three with blank characters between groups. The message section has 8 characters available, the first is usually blank to serve as a separator between the message section and the parameter section. The content of the display differs for each operating mode. Information on how to use the various HP 5361B functions and their corresponding displays are described in Section 2.

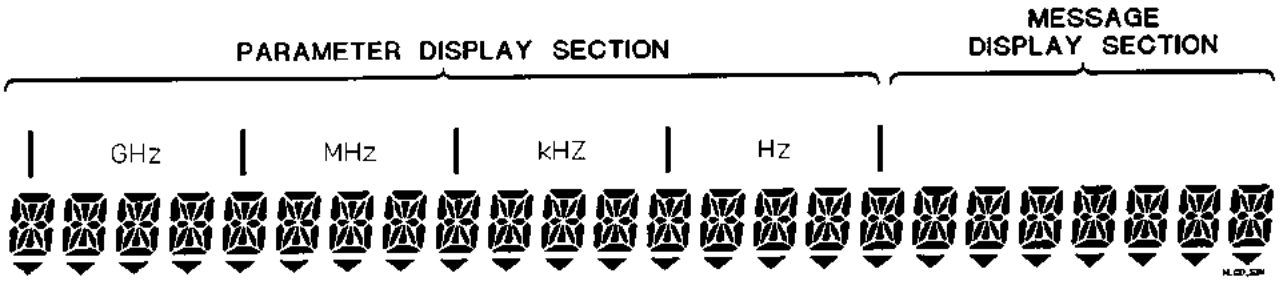



*Figure 3-1. Liquid Crystal Display (LCD)*

## LCD Character Set

*Table 3-2* shows the set of all possible LCD characters that can be formed by the LCD Display. The equivalent ASCII and decimal codes are included for programming the remote display function via HP-IB. Refer to the next section of this manual for HP-IB programming information.

*Table 3-2. LCD Character Set*

| LCD CHAR. | ASCII CHAR. | DECIMAL | LCD CHAR. | ASCII CHAR. | DECIMAL | LCD CHAR. | ASCII CHAR. | DECIMAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | @ | 64 |  | V, v | 86, 118 |  | , | 44 |
|  | A, a | 65, 97 |  | W, w | 87, 119 |  | - | 45 |
|  | B, b | 66, 98 |  | X, x | 88, 120 |  | . | 46 |
|  | C, c | 67, 99 |  | Y, y | 89, 121 |  | / | 47 |
|  | D, d | 68, 100 |  | Z, z | 90, 122 |  | 0 | 48 |
|  | E, e | 69, 101 |  | [ | 91 |  | 1 | 49 |
|  | F, f | 70, 102 |  | \ | 92 |  | 2 | 50 |
|  | G, g | 71, 103 |  | ] | 93 |  | 3 | 51 |
|  | H, h | 72, 104 |  | ^ | 94 |  | 4 | 52 |
|  | I, i | 73, 105 |  | _ | 95 |  | 5 | 53 |
|  | J, j | 74, 106 | space | space | 32 |  | 6 | 54 |
|  | K, k | 75, 107 |  | ! | 33 |  | 7 | 55 |
|  | L, l | 76, 108 |  | " | 34 |  | 8 | 56 |
|  | M, m | 77, 109 |  | # | 35 |  | 9 | 57 |
|  | N, n | 78, 110 |  | $ | 36 |  | : | 58 |
|  | O, o | 79, 111 |  | % | 37 |  | ;{ | 59, 123 |
|  | P, p | 80, 112 |  | & | 38 |  | <, \| | 60, 124 |
|  | Q, q | 81, 113 |  | ' | 39 |  | =, } | 61, 125 |
|  | R, r | 82, 114 |  | ( | 40 |  | >, ~ | 62, 126 |
|  | S, s | 83, 115 |  | ) | 41 |  | ?, DEL | 63, 127 |
|  | T, t | 84, 116 |  | * | 42 | | | |
|  | U, u | 85, 117 |  | + | 43 | | | |

## Annunciator Descriptions

The various modes and functions of the HP 5361B are labeled on the front panel just beneath the LCD, as shown in *Figure 3-2*. When an operating mode or function is selected, an arrow-shaped annunciator (▼) appears at the lower edge of the display, pointing to the name of the selected mode or function. *Table 3-3* contains a brief description of each front panel annunciator.

*Table 3-3. Front Panel Annunciator Descriptions*

| | |
|---|---|
| 1) OFFSET | The OFFSET annunciator is lit when the Offset function has been enabled. The displayed value is the measured value plus the value of the entered offset. |
| 2) SCALE | The SCALE annunciator is lit when the Scale function has been enabled. The displayed frequency is the measured value multiplied by the scale factor. |
| 3) SMOOTH | The SMOOTH annunciator is lit when the Smooth function has been enabled. Unstable digits of the displayed frequency are masked. |
| 4) AVERAGE | The AVERAGE annunciator is lit when the average function has been enabled for pulse envelope measurements. Multiple measurement samples are averaged to provide a mean value that is shown on the display. |
| 5) HIGH BAND | The HIGH BAND annunciator is lit when option 040 is present with the acquisition mode in high band. The annunciator is off if the acquisition mode is low band or option 040 is absent. |
| 6) ARM | The ARM annunciator is lit when the selected gate mode is arm. Measurement is held off until an external arming signal is applied at the GATE/ARM input. |
| 7) EXT | The EXT annunciator is lit when the selected gate mode is external. The gate is triggered via the front panel GATE/ARM input connector. |
| 8) INT | The INT annunciator is lit when the selected gate mode is internal. The measurements are triggered by internal gating. In this mode sample rate can be set from FAST to HOLD. |
| 9) OPEN | The OPEN annunciator is lit when the gate opens. The duration between appearance of this annunciator depends upon the sample rate setting. This annunciator flashes during measurements to indicate the opening and closing of the gate. |
| 10) HOLD | The HOLD annunciator is lit when the sample rate of the counter is set to the slowest possible rate. When in HOLD, the counter keeps the last measurement until a new measurement is triggered using the front panel TRIGGER key or the HP-IB TRIGGER or TRG command. The annunciator remains on until the sample rate is changed to a rate other than HOLD. |
| 11) REM | The REM annunciator is lit when the counter is under remote control. Refer to Remote Operation via HP-IB in section 4 of this manual, for more information. |
| 12) LSN | The LSN annunciator is lit when the counter is addressed to listen. Refer to Remote Operation via HP-IB in section 4 of this manual, for more information. |
| 13) TLK | The TLK annunciator is lit when the counter is addressed to talk, or when it is being used in the TALK ONLY mode. Refer to Remote Operation via HP-IB in section 4 of this manual, for more information. |

*Table 3-3. Front Panel Annunciator Descriptions (Continued)*

| | |
|---|---|
| 14) SRQ | The SRQ annunciator is lit when a Service Request condition exists in the counter, requiring attention from the controller in charge of the HP-IB. Refer to Remote Operation via HP-IB in section 4 of this manual, for more information. |
| 15) OVEN | The OVEN annunciator is lit if an optional oven oscillator installed in the instrument has not yet reached operating temperature (warming). The annunciator is always off if the standard oscillator is installed. |
| 16) EXT REF | The EXT REF annunciator is automatically lit when an external time base reference (1, 2, 5, or 10 MHz) is connected to the rear panel external reference input. The annunciator goes out as soon as the external reference is disconnected. |
| 17) FM NORM | The FM NORM annunciator is lit when the FM Rate/Track function is set to Normal Rate. The annunciator turns off when the FM Rate/Track function is set to Low Rate or Track, or when the counter is not in AUTO/Pulse frequency measurement mode. |
| 18) LOW | The LOW annunciator is lit when the FM Rate/Track function is set to Low Rate. The annunciator turns off when the FM Rate/Track function is set to Normal Rate or Track, or when the counter is not in AUTO/Pulse frequency measurement mode. |
| 19) TRACK | The TRACK annunciator is lit when the FM Rate/Track function is set to Track. The Track annunciator turns off when the FM Rate/Track function is set to Normal Rate or Low Rate, or when the counter is not in the AUTO/Pulse frequency measurement mode. |
| 20) <50 HZ PRF | The <50 HZ PRF annunciator is lit when the Low PRF measurement function is active. The <50 HZ PRF annunciator turns off when this function is cancelled from either the front panel or by remote command. |
| 21) AUTO | The AUTO annunciator is lit when the counter is set to the Automatic measurement mode (INPUT 1). The annunciator goes out when another measurement mode is selected. |
| 22) MAN | The MAN annunciator is lit when the counter is set to the Manual measurement mode (INPUT 1). The annunciator goes out when another measurement mode is selected. |
| 23) 50Ω | The 50Ω annunciator is lit when the counter is set to the 50Ω Low Frequency mode (INPUT 2). The annunciator goes out when another measurement mode is selected. |
| 24) 1MΩ | The 1MΩ annunciator is lit when the counter is set to the 1MΩ Low Frequency mode (INPUT 2). The annunciator goes out when another measurement mode is selected. |

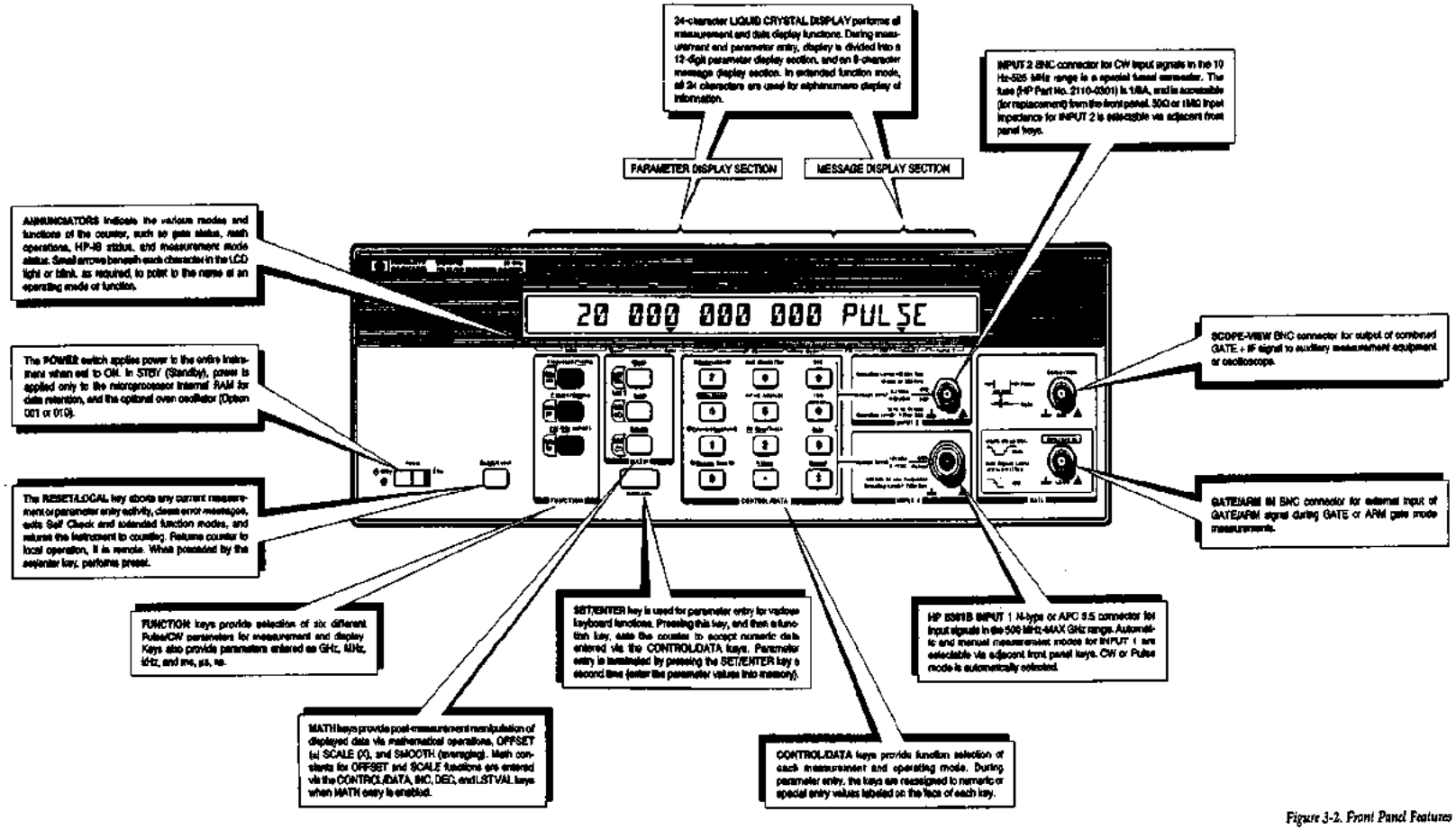



*Figure 3-2. Front Panel Features*

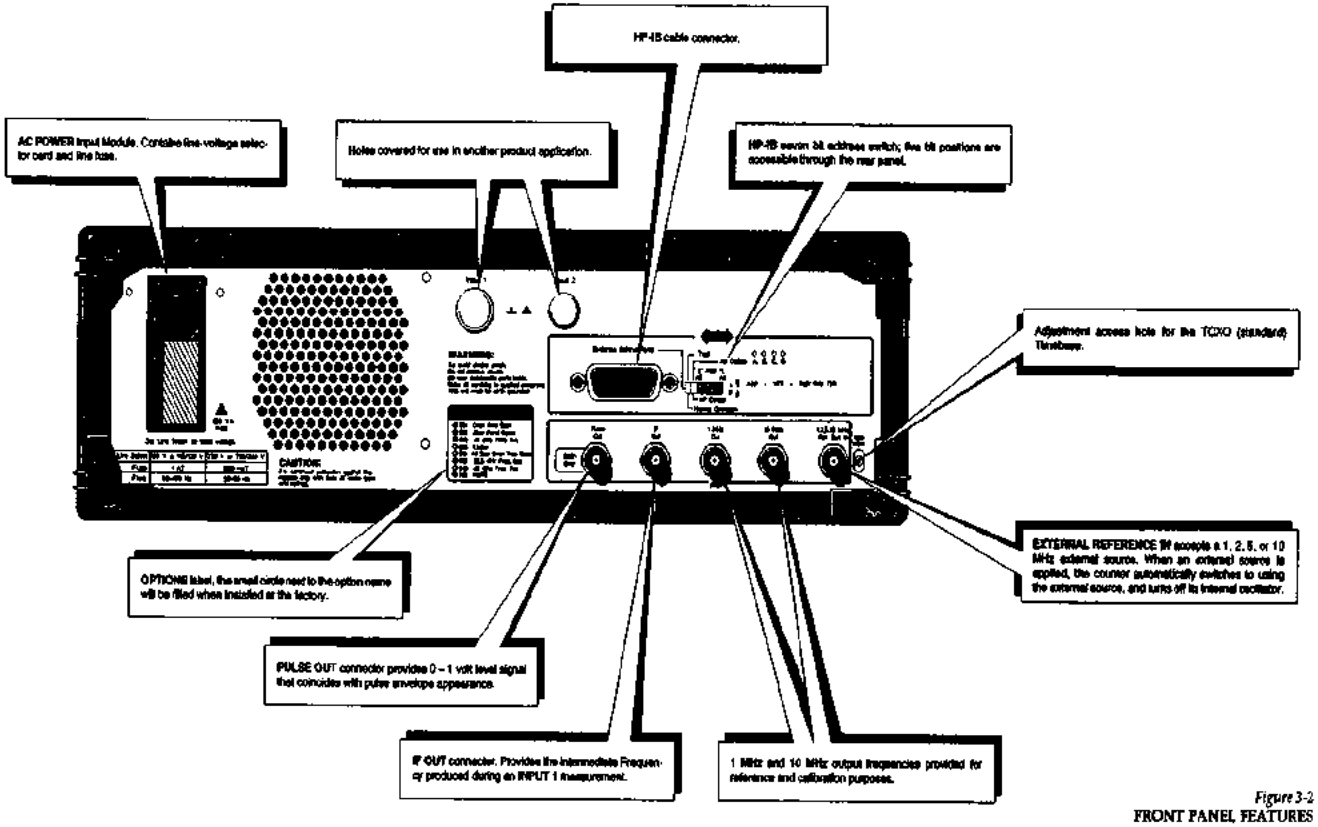



*Figure 3-3. Rear Panel Features*



*Figure 3-2*
**FRONT PANEL FEATURES**
(See Page 3-17)

*Figure 3-3*
**REAR PANEL FEATURES**
(See Page 3-18)

## Front Panel Signal Connectors

The following paragraphs explain each of the four signal connectors located on the front panel (See *Figure* 3-2). The explanations describe the signal type, its functional purpose, and connector. Most details of signal parameters, characteristics, and power levels are discussed in Section 2 and listed in *Table A-1,* Specifications.

**INPUT 1**

This connector provides input to the HP 5361B for all microwave pulse and CW signals between 500 MHz and MAX GHz. Automatic and manual measurement modes are selectable via adjacent front panel keys. Connector type is Precision N Female or APC 3.5 Male. Refer to pages 2-16 and 2-18 in Section 2 for information on how to use INPUT 1. Refer to Section 1 for INPUT 1 signal hook-up.

**INPUT 2**

This connector provides input to the HP 5361B for all CW signals between 10 Hz and 525 MHz. 50Ω or 1 MΩ impedances are selectable via adjacent front panel keys. Connector type is BNC Female. Refer to pages 2-16 and 2-18 in Section 2 for information on how to use INPUT 2. Refer to Section 1 for INPUT 2 signal hook-up.

**SCOPE-VIEW Output**

The SCOPE-VIEW output connector provides a unique composite signal that displays both gate location and width in relation to pulse burst onset and end. This output shows exactly where measurements were taken inside a pulse and combines derived IF signal and Gate pulse in the following way (see *Figure* 3-4, SCOPE-VIEW Signal Waveform): Prior to the onset of a microwave pulse, the output is high at –0.95 volts (nominal).

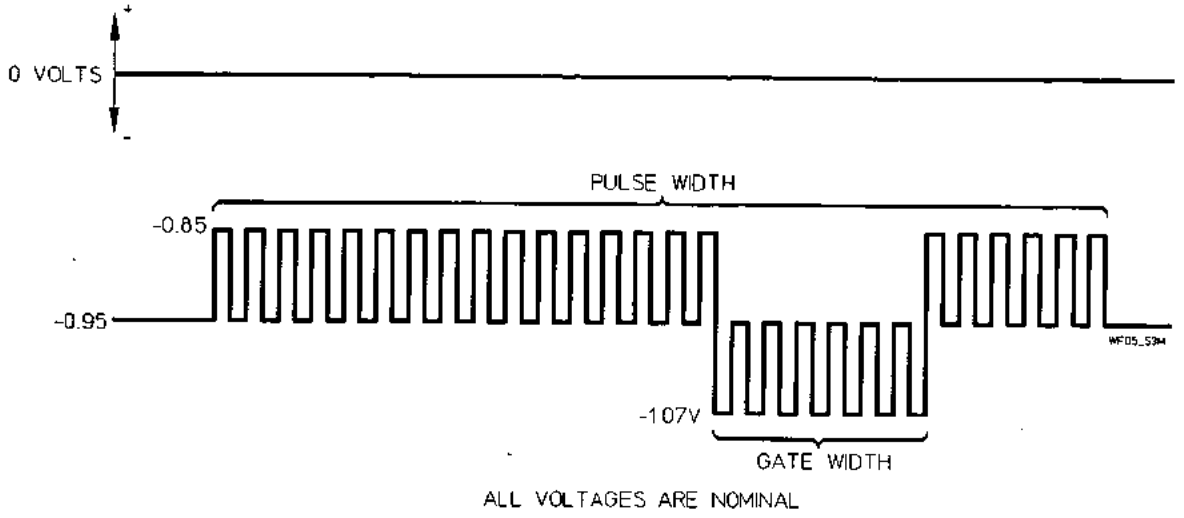



*Figure 3-4. SCOPE-VIEW Signal Waveform*

At pulse onset the negative side on the digitized IF pulse train is placed on this voltage so the positive side is –0.84 volts. When the gate opens the position of the IF signal is shifted. The positive side of the pulse train rides on –0.95 volts for the duration of the gate time. This places the negative side of the IF pulse train at –1.07 volts. All voltages are nominal and are for indication purposes only. Output impedance is 50Ω. Connector type is BNC Female. Refer to Sections 1 and 2, and Appendix D for information on how to use the SCOPE-VIEW output.

**GATE/ARM Input**

The GATE/ARM IN connector provides TTL input for either the ARM or EXTERNAL gate modes. During ARM mode, measurement is suspended until the Gate/Arm input goes active (TTL edge triggered low), (see *Figure 3-5*, Gate/Arm In Waveform) at this point a pulse measurement is made only if pulse onset follows arm active by at least 50 ns. During External gate mode the counter will make measurements only when the Gate/Arm input is active (TTL low). Input impedance is 1.5 KΩ. Connector type is BNC Female. Refer to pages 2-37 through 2-41 in Section 2 and Appendix D for information on how to use the Gate/Arm input.

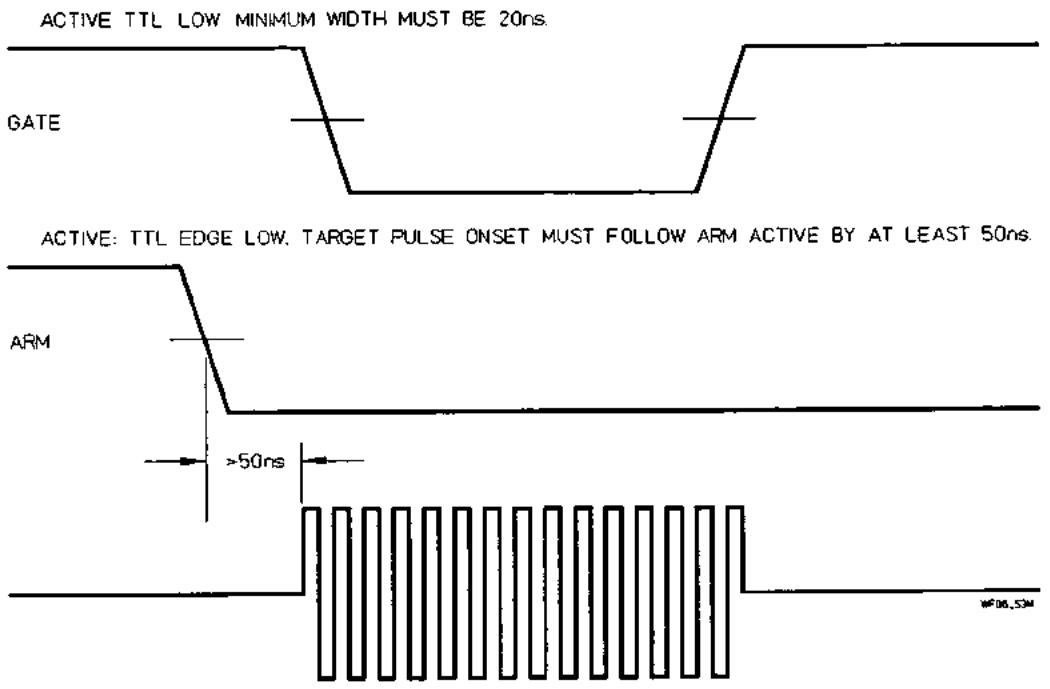



*Figure 3-5. Gate/Arm In Waveform*

## REAR PANEL FEATURES

The following paragraphs provide you with descriptions of the rear panel features on the HP 5361B. All rear panel features of the instrument are shown in *Figure 3-3*.

## AC Power Input Module

The AC Power Input Module (A13) accepts the three-wire ac power cable (W1), providing operation from 100-, 115/120-, 220-, and 230/240-volt ac sources . The power module contains a printed circuit line voltage selector card, which you must position to agree with the voltage of the power source. When the card is plugged into the module, the number visible in the power module window indicates the line voltage of the ac power source which you must supply to the instrument.

The correct value line fuse must be installed after the card is inserted (Refer to Appendix B, Line Voltage Selection, and *Figure B-1* for further information). The protective grounding conductor connects to the instrument through this module.

**TCXO Adjustment**

This opening in the rear panel allows you to adjust the Temperature Compensated Crystal Oscillator standard timebase (but not the optional oven oscillators) without removing the instrument covers. Refer to Section 1 of the Service manual for timebase calibration instructions.

**HP-IB Connector**

The input/output interface connector provides remote control capabilities with the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus (HP-IB). For a complete description of the HP-IB capabilities, refer to the Remote Operation via HP-IB section of this manual and page 2-80 of Section 2.

**HP-IB Address Switch**

The HP-IB Interface Address Switch (ADDR) is a group of seven switches used to manually set the remote control address of the counter. The five switch positions to the right are externally accessible for setting the address. The two switch positions to the left are not used for normal operation. For a complete description of address selection, refer to *Table 4-1,* Address Selection, in the Remote Operation via HP-IB section of this manual.

**External Reference In**

An external reference input lets you connect a 1 MHz, 2 MHz, 5 MHz, or 10 MHz reference source. If an external reference source is applied to this input, the counter automatically switches to the external reference input as its timebase source, and turns off the TCXO standard timebase.

If an oven oscillator is installed, power to the oven is maintained, but the internal oscillator signal is disconnected. A detection circuit in the timebase buffer sends a control signal to the microprocessor and the EXT REF annunciator is lit to show that an external source is used. External reference requirements are listed in *Table A- 1,* Specifications.

Use this input when you need to lock the counter's internal timing circuitry to auxiliary/external test and measurement equipment. When connected, an external timebase input ensures minimal timing error.

**1 MHz Out, 10 MHz Out**

Two rear panel signal outputs, 1 MHz and 10 MHz, are available for reference and calibration. The signals remain present when the instrument is in Standby and as long as ac

power is connected to the instrument. Refer to *Table A-1,* Specifications, for output signal specifications.

**IF Out** This output provides the IF signal resulting from the mixing of the input and LO harmonic frequencies for monitoring with auxiliary measurement equipment. This signal is available only when a high frequency (INPUT 1) measurement is made. Refer to *Table A-1* for IF output specifications.

**Pulse Out** This output provides a 0 to 1 volt signal that corresponds to the onset and end of a microwave pulse. The Pulse Out signal goes low at the onset of an INPUT 1 microwave burst and switches high when it ends. This output reflects the microwave burst event timing only and does not contain any analog data. Pulse Out is active only for pulse measurements while staying low during CW measurements.

You can use this output to trigger a delaying pulse generator or time synthesizer for tasks such as pulse profiling or other time-delayed measurement. Refer to *Table A-1,* Specifications, for output signal specifications.

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# REMOTE OPERATION VIA HP-IB

## SECTION GUIDE

This section provides you with programming information for remote operation of the 5361B. Most of the counter's front panel functions can be remotely operated via the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus (HP-IB), as well as additional functions not available from the front panel. Some of the commands described in this section are functional only when Option 040 is installed.

You should be familiar with the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus, the selected controller, the configured interface, local operation, and functional capabilities of the HP 5361B. If you need more information about HP-IB, refer to one or more of the following documents:

- IEEE Standard 488-1978
- ANSI Standard MC1.1
- Improving Measurements in Engineering and Manufacturing (HP part number 5952-0058)
- Tutorial Description of the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus (HP part number 5952-0156)

You can use the following lists as an aid to quickly find the information you need.

**Where to Find Important Topics:**


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## SELECTING THE HP-IB ADDRESS

To use the HP 5361B in an HP-IB system, you must set the counter to the desired address, as shown in *Figure 4-1*. The Addressable mode is used whenever a controller is used with the system and the HP 5361B is functioning as both a talker and a listener. The Talk Only mode is used when the counter is operating under its own control (no controller on the bus) and sending measurement results to another device on the bus (such as a printer). In the Talk Only mode, the HP 5361B will not output any EFUN results, functioning as an output-only device, and the receiving device must be set to the Listen Only mode.

You can set the HP-IB address for the HP 5361B in one of two ways: the front panel keyboard or the address switch on the rear panel. The address setting of the rear panel switch is the default address if ac power has been removed and then restored to the counter. If the counter is switched to Standby (STBY setting of the POWER switch), the address set via the front panel keyboard is retained as the HP-IB address. Refer to the lower portion of *Figure 4-1* for all possible address settings and the corresponding ASCII codes for Talk and Listen (in the Addressable mode) and in the Talk Only mode. *Figure 4-1* shows an example of a rear panel switch setting of Address 14.

To set the HP-IB address via the front panel keyboard, press the following key sequence:

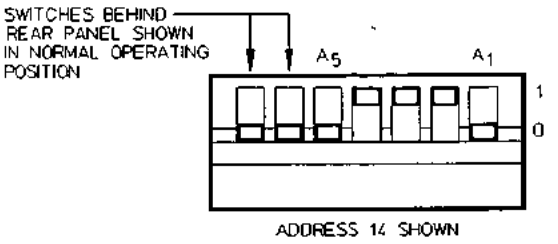
SET/ENTER

HP-IB ADDRESS

(digits) (Control/Data key group)

SET/ENTER

You can also display the HP-IB address by simply pressing the HP-IB ADDRESS key. The counter displays the currently selected HP-IB address as long as the key is held down. When you release the HP-IB ADDRESS key, the counter returns to the previous display.




*NOTE*

*Select the HP-IB address from the table below and set the address switches.*

| | SELECTED ADDRESS | ADDRESS SWITCHES A5 | A4 | A3 | A2 | A1 | ASCII CHARACTER LISTEN | TALK | ADDRESS USAGE MODE |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | SP | @ | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 01 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | ! | A | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 02 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | " | B | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 03 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | # | C | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 04 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | $ | D | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 05 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | % | E | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 06 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | & | F | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 07 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ' | G | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 08 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ( | H | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 09 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | ) | I | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 10 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | * | J | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 11 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | + | K | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 12 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | , | L | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 13 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | - | M | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 14 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | . | N | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 15 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | / | O | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 16 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | P | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 17 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | Q | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 18 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | R | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 19 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | S | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 20 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | T | ADDRESSABLE |
| See → Note Below | 21 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5 | U | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 22 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | V | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 23 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 7 | W | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 24 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | X | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 25 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 9 | Y | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 26 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | : | Z | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 27 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | ; | [ | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 28 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | < | \ | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 29 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | + | ] | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 30 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | > | - | ADDRESSABLE |
| | 31 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | N/A | N/A | TALK ONLY |

**Note:** Be sure that the instrument address is not set to the same address as the controller. Typical HP controllers use address "21" as a preset address, thus the use of address "21" as the HP 5361B address code should be avoided.

*Figure 4-1. Address Selection*

## HP 5361B INTERFACE CAPABILITIES

The HP 5361B HP-IB interface capabilities are listed in *Table 4-1*. The table lists the interface functions defined in the IEEE 488-1978 standard by name and specific 5361B subset identifier, and contains a brief description of the counter's capability for each function.

*Table 4-1. HP 5361B HP-IB Interface Function Capabilities*

| Name and Mnemonic | General Description | Subset Identifier | Specific HP 5361B Capability |
|---|---|---|---|
| Source Handshake (SH) | Capability to properly translate a multiline message. | SH1 | The 5361B can generate messages. |
| Acceptor Handshake (AH) | Capability to guarantee proper reception of remote multiline messages. | AH1 | The 5361B can interpret received messages. |
| Talker (T) | Capability to transmit data over the bus when addressed. | T5 | The 5361B can function as a talker. In addition, it can operate as a Talk Only instrument and will respond to serial poll. It will unlisten if addressed as a talker. |
| Extended Talker (TE) | Talker capability with address extension. | TE0 | The 5361B cannot function as an extended talker. |
| Listener (L) | Capability to receive data over the bus when addressed. | L4 | The 5361B can function as a listener. In addition, it will untalk if addressed as a listener. |
| Extended Listener (LE) | Listener capability with address extension. | LE0 | The 5361B cannot function as an extended listener. |
| Service Request (SR) | Capability permitting a device to asynchronously request service from the controller. | SR1 | The 5361B can generate a service request. |
| Remote/Local (RL) | Capability to select between two sources of input information: local (front panel controls) and remote (input information from the bus). | RL1 | The 5361B can operate both in remote and local modes. In addition, it can respond to local lockout. |
| Parallel Poll (PP) | Provides capability for a device to uniquely identify itself if it requires service and the controller is requesting a response. This capability differs from service request in that it requires a commitment of the controller to periodically conduct a parallel poll. | PP0 | The 5361B does not support parallel poll. |

*Table 4-1. HP 5361B HP-IB Interface Function Capabilities (Continued)*

| Name and Mnemonic | General Description | Subset Identifier | Specific HP 5361B Capability |
|---|---|---|---|
| Device Clear (DC) | This function allows a device to be initialized to a predefined state. | DC1 | The 5361B supports both the Device Clear (DCL) and Selected Device Clear (SDC) commands. |
| Device Trigger (DT) | This function permits a device to have its basic operation initiated by the talker on the bus. | DT1 | The 5361B can be remotely triggered. |
| Controller (C) | This function permits a device to send addresses, universal commands, and addressed commands to other devices on the HP-IB. It may also include the ability to conduct polling to determine devices requiring service. | C0 | The 5361B cannot function as a controller. |
| Drivers (E) | This code describes the type of electrical drivers used in a device. | E2 | The 5361B has three-state drivers. |

## INTERFACE COMMANDS

The commands recognized by the HP 5361B can be separated into two classes: device independent commands and device dependent commands. Device independent commands are defined by the interface standard document and are the same for all instruments. Refer to Device Independent Commands below for a description of these commands.

Device dependent commands are unique to an instrument and are a function of instrument design. Refer to HP-IB COMMAND DESCRIPTIONS for descriptions of all HP 5361B device dependent commands.

## Device Independent Commands

*Table* 4-2 lists the supported device independent commands by their mnemonics, and includes the full name and a brief description of each command.

*Table 4-2. Device Independent Commands*

| Mnemonic | Command Name | Description |
|---|---|---|
| ATN | Attention | Alerts the instrument of each device independent message being sent, so the instrument is ready to accept data and interpret them as commands. |
| DCL | Device Clear | This command clears all errors, aborts all partially completed commands and pending send data commands, and clears all input and output buffers. |
| EOI | End Or Identify | If ATN is false and the instrument is a listener, EOI acts as a message delimiter, and indicates the last data byte of a multibyte sequence. |
| GET | Group Execute Trigger | If the instrument is addressed to listen, GET aborts the current measurement, and triggers the next measurement immediately. |
| GTL | Go To Local | If the instrument is addressed to listen, GTL returns the instrument to front panel (local) operation. Local Lockout is not cleared. |
| IFC | Interface Clear | The instrument untalks and unlistens, and the interface initializes to an idle state (no activity on the bus). |
| LADn | Listen Address n | If n matches the instrument address, the instrument becomes a listener. |
| LLO | Local Lockout | The front panel LOCAL key is disabled if the instrument is in remote mode. |
| MLA | My Listen Address | MLA is the listen address (LADn) that matches the instrument address. |
| MTA | My Talk Address | MTA is the talker address (TADn) that matches the instrument address. |
| NRE | Not Remote Enable | The instrument returns to front panel (local) operation; Local Lockout is cleared. |
| NUL | Null | No effect when received by the instrument. |
| REN | Remote Enable | The instrument enters the remote state, and is enabled to respond to interface commands when addressed as a listener. |
| SDC | Selected Device Clear | If the instrument is a listener, will cause the same response as DCL. |
| SPD | Serial Poll Disable | Terminates serial polling, and returns the instrument to a normal talker state to output device dependent data rather than status information. |

*Table 4-2. Device Independent Commands (Continued)*

| Mnemonic | Command Name | Description |
|---|---|---|
| SPE | Serial Poll Enable | Establishes serial polling, and enables the instrument to send the serial poll status byte when addressed to talk. |
| TADn | Talk Address n | If n matches the instrument address, the instrument becomes a talker. |
| UNL | Unlisten | The instrument is unaddressed and terminates listening. A single device cannot be unaddressed without unaddressing all listeners. |
| UNT | Untalk | Unaddresses the instrument, if currently a talker, and terminates talking. Addressing another talker on the interface automatically unaddresses any current talker. |

## Meta Messages

To simplify the use of an HP-IB system, you may send meta messages to command to the counter. A meta message is a useful sequence of device independent commands which have been combined into a single string. For example, sending "CLEAR 714" is equivalent to sending the sequence "ATN,UNL,MTA,LAD14,SDC".

Many of the meta messages can be sent either with addressing (a particular destination) or without addressing (All devices on the bus). The addressed form will normally go to a particular device. For example, the command REMOTE 7 will send the Remote Enable (REN) command without making any device a listener; the command REMOTE 714 will send Remote Enable and make the device at address 14 a listener.

*Table 4-3* lists 12 meta messages by name, and includes a description of the command function, corresponding interface message sequence, and HP 5361B response. The examples listed use the addressed form of the command. The interface message sequences are typical in that different controllers may send different sequences for a given meta message, but will produce the same results.

*Table 4-3. Meta Message Reference Table*

| Meta Message | Command Sequence | General Description | Specific HP 5361B Response |
|---|---|---|---|
| DATA | UNL, MTA, LADn, data | Transfers device dependent information from one device to one or more devices on the bus. | The 5361B sends measurement data as defined by the device dependent command received from the controller. |
| TRIGGER | UNL, MTA, LADn, GET | Causes a group of selected devices to simultaneously initiate a set of device dependent actions. | Starts a new measurement. |
| CLEAR | UNL, MTA, LADn, SDC | Causes the instrument to be set to a predefined state, such as a certain range or function. | Causes the 5361B to clear any errors present, clears all input and output buffers, and resets the hardware for a new measurement. |
| REMOTE | REN, UNL, MTA, LADn | Permits selected devices to be set to remote operation, allowing parameters and device characteristics to be controlled by bus messages. | Causes the 5361B to go to remote operation if REN is true, and if instrument is addressed to listen. Locks out all front panel keys except LOCAL; instrument is controlled by bus messages. Until changed via the bus, remote operation is according to state of front panel settings just prior to going to remote. |
| LOCAL | UNL, MTA, LADn, GTL | Causes selected devices to return to local (front panel) operation. | Returns the 5361B to front panel control. Instrument status is that set just prior to receipt of the Local message. |
| LOCAL LOCKOUT | LLO | Disables local (front panel) controls of selected devices. | Disables LOCAL key. The 5361B remains in remote operation until a Local message is received on the bus. |
| LOCAL/CLEAR LOCAL LOCKOUT | LCLL | Returns all devices to local (front panel) control and simultaneously clears the Local Lockout message. | Returns 5361B to local control and clears Local Lockout message. |
| SERVICE REQUEST | SRQ | Indicates a device's need for interaction with the controller. | The 5361B will send a Service Request message to the controller under certain conditions, as defined by the settings of the Event Status Enable and Hardware Status Enable registers.<br><br>This message is ignored by the 5361B when received. |
| STATUS BYTE | UNL, MLA, TADn, SPE, data, SPD, UNT | Presents status information of a particular device; one bit indicates whether or not the device currently requires service, the other seven bits (optional) are used to indicate the type of service required. | The 5361B sends status information to the controller. The assignment of the bits in the Status Byte are shown in *Table 4-4*. |

*Table 4-3. Meta Message Reference Table (Continued)*

| Meta Message | Command Sequence | General Description | Specific HP 5361B Response |
|---|---|---|---|
| STATUS BIT | Not applicable | A single bit of device-dependent status information which may be logically combined with status bit information from other devices on the controller. | The 5361B does not use this message. |
| PASS CONTROL | Not applicable | Passes bus controller responsibilities from the current controller to a device which can assume the bus supervisory role. | The 5361B does not use this message. |
| ABORT | IFC | Unconditionally terminates bus communications and returns control to the system controller. | All HP-IB activity terminated and control returns to the system controller. Talk and Listen are cleared for the 5361B and all other devices on the bus, which terminates all bus communications. The 5361B status remains as it was just prior to receipt of the Abort message. Any partially entered HP-IB data message is aborted. |

## CHECKING INSTRUMENT STATUS

The following paragraphs describe how to check the interface status of the HP 5361B. You can check the interface function and status by observing the front panel status annunciators and reading the status byte.

In addition to indicating its interface function, the counter can generate a Service Request (SRQ) to the controller to indicate a need for attention, and can interrupt the current sequence of events. The Service Request is indicated by the setting of a bit in the status byte and by the front panel SRQ annunciator. You can select the conditions that generate an SRQ by using the service request mask. Refer to the descriptions below for detailed information about these interface status features.

### Front Panel Instrument Status Annunciators

The counter shows its remote status on the front panel via four Interface Status annunciators in the liquid crystal display. An arrow appears at the bottom of the display just above the name of the active function to indicate the interface status. The four interface functions are REM (Remote), LSN (Listen), TLK (Talk), and SRQ (Service Request). The REM annunciator lights when the counter is under remote control. The LSN annunciator lights to indicate that the counter is addressed to listen (receive commands). The TLK annunciator is lit when the counter is addressed to talk (send data). The SRQ annunciator is lit when the counter sends a service request to the controller.

### SRQ and Status Byte

The controller can read the counter status byte at any time to check selected operating conditions. Each bit of the status byte can be individually set to "1" by the counter to indicate that a particular condition has occurred, and can be enabled to send a service request (SRQ) to the controller. *Table 4-4* lists and defines the bits in the status byte.

*Table 4-4. Status Byte*

| Bit # | Binary Weight | Status Bit Condition |
|---|---|---|
| 7 | 128 | Not used. |
| 6 | 64 | RQS (Request Service) - High indicates that the 5361B has a reason for requesting service. |
| 5 | 32 | POWER-ON - The power switch has been set to ON, and the power-up Self Check is completed. |
| 4 | 16 | LOCAL - The counter is under local control. |
| 3 | 8 | LEVEL - A level condition may exist on INPUT 1. |
| 2 | 4 | ERROR - An Error condition exists. |
| 1 | 2 | MEASUREMENT COMPLETE - A measurement has been completed and is available for collection. |
| 0 | 1 | DATA READY - The counter has responded to a request for data and is ready to output the data. |

The counter can send a service request to the controller to indicate a need for attention, and can interrupt the current sequence of events. An SRQ typically indicates that data is ready to transmit and/or that an abnormal condition exists, as shown in *Table 4-4*. The counter sends an SRQ to the controller

after a 0 to 1 transition of an enabled condition, if you have set the Service Request Mask to cause (enable) that condition to generate an SRQ. Refer to the paragraph titled Service Request Mask below for information about setting the service request mask.

After SRQ has been sent, the controller conducts a serial poll of all devices on the bus, reading the status byte from each device to identify which condition or conditions caused the SRQ. Remember, when the HP 5361B status byte is read, all current conditions are set to 1, whether or not they are enabled as a condition to generate SRQ.

When polled, the counter returns a number that is the decimal equivalent to the sum of the binary-weighted bits that have been set (refer to the column labeled Binary Weight in *Table 4-4*). For example, a returned value of 38 (equivalent to 32+4+2) signifies that the POWER ON, ERROR, and MEASUREMENT COMPLETE bits are set (bit=1).

Bit 7 is not used (i.e., it is always 0). Bit 6 (RQS FLAG) is only set if you have enabled one of the other bits in the status byte as a condition to generate an SRQ by setting the service request mask. The special function of the RQS FLAG bit is described under Service Request Mask below.

## Service Request Mask

You can use the service request mask (SRQMASK command) to select which of the bits in the status byte generate an SRQ. Any bit in the status byte, except RQS FLAG (bit 6) and POWER ON (bit 5), can be masked to prevent an SRQ from being generated even if the condition exists.

To set the service request mask, send the SRQMASK,n command, where "n" is the decimal equivalent of the binary sum of the bits that you want enabled (unmasked). (Refer to the column labeled Binary Weights in *Table 4-5* to select the equivalent decimal value.) The value of "n" may be any number from 0 to 255. All SRQ conditions can be masked (disabled) by sending "SRQMASK,0". If all SRQ conditions are masked, none of the conditions will generate an SRQ.

*Table 4-5. Service Request Mask*

| | D7 | D6 | D5 | D4 | D3 | D2 | D1 | D0 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Service Request Mask** | (Don't care) | (Don't care) | (Don't care) | LOCAL | LEVELED | ERROR | MEAS. COMPLETE | DATA READY |
| **Status Byte** | (Always zero) | RQS FLAG | POWER ON | LOCAL | LEVELED | ERROR | MEAS. COMPLETE | DATA READY |
| **Binary Weight** | 128 | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |

After receiving the SRQMASK,n command, the counter will load the binary value of "n" into the service request mask register . For example, sending "SRQMASK,13" (13=8+4+1) will cause the counter to generate an SRQ and set bit 6 (RQS FLAG) if a level or error condition exists or when measurement data is ready. If the measurement output overflows, or if the counter cannot acquire, then the DATA READY will not generate an SRQ. See DATA OUTPUT for more information.

Notice that in *Table 4-5*, bit 6 (corresponding to the RQS FLAG bit in the status byte) is a "don't care". This is so because the RQS FLAG bit in the status byte will only be set if one of the other bits in the status byte is set AND you have set the corresponding bit in the service request mask to generate an SRQ.

## DATA INPUT

You can program almost all counter functions via the bus using the specific HP-IB programming codes (device dependent commands). The HP-IB commands for the HP 5361B are summarized in the HP-IB COMMAND DESCRIPTIONS subsection. The following paragraphs describe the syntax and format for sending HP-IB commands to the counter.

### Syntax

In the following paragraphs, syntax diagrams are used to show the format you should use when sending HP-IB programming commands to the counter. When using these diagrams, remember that:

a. All characters enclosed by a rounded envelope must be entered exactly as shown.

b. Words enclosed by a rectangular box are names of items used in the commands, and are described in the text.

c. Items contained within circles indicate required literals, which must occur in the command syntax exactly as shown.

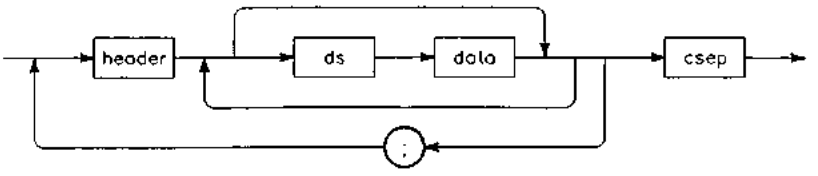
d. Command elements, connected by lines, can be followed in one direction only, as indicated by the arrowhead at the end of the line. Any combination of command elements that can be generated by following the lines in the proper direction is correct syntax.

*NOTE*

*Spaces are not shown in all places where they may occur. You may place spaces between command mnemonics and data in the command string to gain greater clarity, but spaces within command mnemonics and within data are not allowed.*

There are four possible types of command elements: command mnemonics (referred to as "headers" ), data, command separators, and data separators. A command can consist of a header alone or a header followed by one or more fields of data. A separator is required between headers and data, between data fields, and between each command, as shown in *Figure 4-2.*

*Figure 4-2. Command Syntax*



## Command Headers

All HP-IB commands require a command header. Command headers, where possible, consist of the full English word for the corresponding function, up to a maximum of eight characters in length. Function names which require more than eight characters or more than one word are abbreviated.

There are two types of command headers: program messages and queries. Program messages are commands which instruct the counter to perform a particular action. Queries cause data to be returned to the controller; a query header includes a question mark (?) as the last character of the header.

*Table 4-6* contains a summary of all the command headers for the HP 5361B. The table is divided into two parts: program message headers and query headers.

The counter accepts commands in either upper or lower case. All characters are converted to upper case before interpretation. In addition, parity bits are ignored. For example, the following two strings will produce identical results:

```
OUTPUT 714; "OFFSET,LASTV,ON"
OUTPUT 714; "offset,lastv,on"
```

*Table 4-6. Command Headers*

**Program Message Headers:**

| | |
|---|---|
| RESET | Restart measurement; clear any errors |
| CLR | Same as Device Clear message |
| INIT | Instrument initialization |
| AUTO | Input 1, Auto acquisition mode |
| MANUAL | Input 1, Manual acquisition mode |
| LOWZ | Input 2, 50Ω |
| HIGHZ | Input 2, 1 MΩ |
| FREQ | Pulse or CW carrier frequency |
| PRF | Pulse Repetition Frequency |
| PRI | Pulse Repetition Interval |
| PWID | Pulse Width |
| OFFT | Pulse Off Time |
| LPRF | Low Pulse Repetition Frequency |
| GATE | Gate Mode |
| TRIGGER | Trigger |
| TRG | Same as Trigger |
| AVER | Average |
| RESOL | Resolution |
| SAMPLE | Sample Rate |

*Table 4-6. Command Headers (Continued)*

| | |
|---|---|
| CHIRP | Chirp Mode |
| GWID | Gate Width |
| MMOD | Set Measurement Mode |
| NPUL | Narrow Pulse Mode |
| PAVER | Pulse Averaging |
| | |
| FMRATE | FM Rate/Track |
| OFFSET | Offset |
| SCALE | Scale |
| SMOOTH | Smooth |
| HIRESOL | High Resolution |
| | |
| EFUN | Extended Function |
| EFUNPARM | Extended Function Parameter Entry |
| | |
| DISPLAY | Message display/Display concealment |
| SRQMASK | Service request mask |
| DUMP | Fastest measurement: 100 reading/second |
| SET | Accept instrument setup |
| SLEEP | Disable INPUT 1 circuit |
| HARMDET | Harmonic number determination |
| | |
| DATAPTS | Data Points |
| EDELTA | Event Delta |
| ESTART | Event Start |
| FINE | Fine/Coarse |
| HIGHBAND | Set High Frequency Band (Opt 040 Only) |
| LOWBAND | Set Low Frequency Band (Opt 040 Only) |
| PROF | Profile Frequency |
| PROFTIME | Profile Time Data |
| SETIF | Set IF for Manual Frequency |
| TFINAL | Set Profile Stop Time |
| TSTART | Set Profile Start Time |

**Query Headers:**

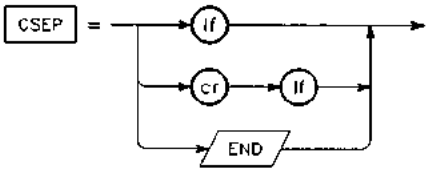
| | |
|---|---|
| FUNC? | Send Measurement Function |
| TEST? | Send Self Check results |
| EFUN? | Send Extended Function Results |
| KEY? | Send number of last key pressed |
| ID? | Send device model number |
| SET? | Send instrument setup |
| ERR? | Send error number |
| REV? | Send firmware revision date code |
| SER? | Send serial number |
| REF? | Send timebase reference status |
| OVEN? | Send oven status |
| FREQBAND? | Send Frequency Band (Opt 040 Only) |
| HARM? | Send Harmonic Number |
| IFPER? | Send IF Periods Per Step |
| LO? | Send LO Frequency |
| PROFAVG? | Send Profile Number of Averages |
| SIDEBAND? | Send Sideband Position |

## Command Separators

Command separators are required although not shown in the detailed syntax diagrams that appear later in this section.

The END command separator is only sent with the last byte of the command.

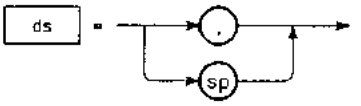
*Figure 4-3. Command Separators*




## Data Separators

Data separators are required between headers and data, and between data fields. A <comma> is the preferred separator, but a <space> may also be used as a separator. In the detailed command syntax diagrams shown later in this section, both types of separators are represented by "ds", as shown in *Figure 4-4* .

*Figure 4-4. Data Separators*




*NOTE*

*In all subsequent syntax diagrams, either of the graphic representations shown in Figure 4-4 may be used.*

## Data Formats

Commands may have none, one, or two pieces of data as part of the program message. There are three types of data:

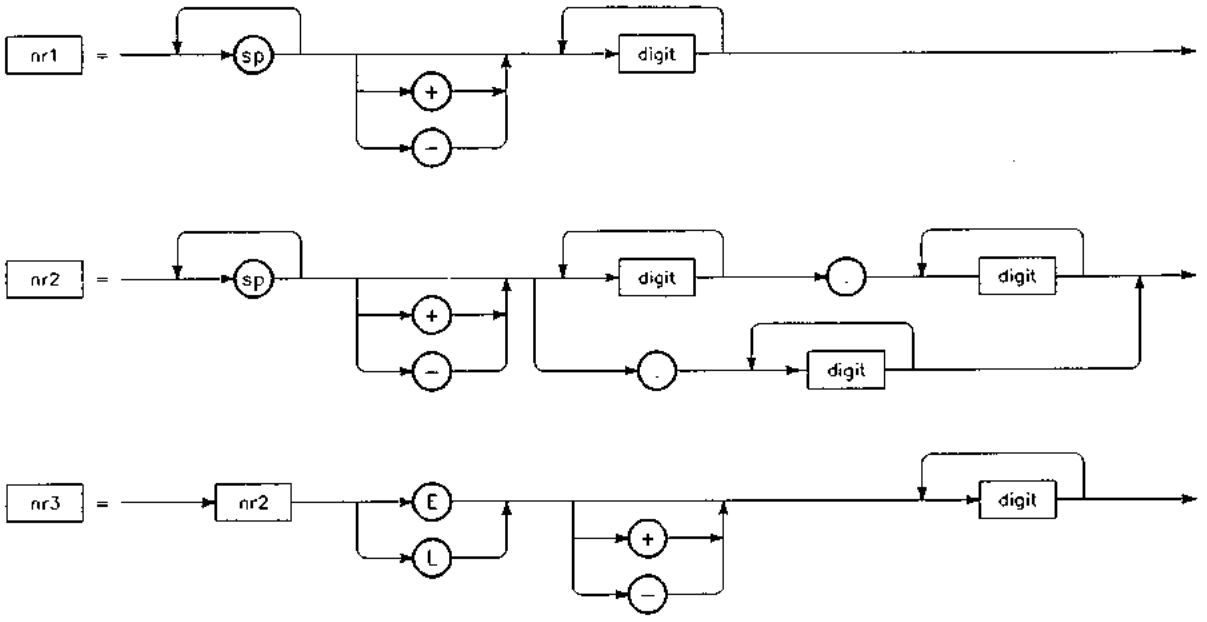
Numeric data — Used for function settings that require the entry of a number.

Character data — Used for function settings that are not inherently numeric, or that set a binary condition (i.e., ON/OFF settings).

String data — Used for displaying messages on the 24-character Liquid Crystal Display on the front panel, and for sending setup information (using the SET command).

## Numeric Data (NR1, NR2, NR3)

Functions that expect you to input a number, such as a manual center frequency, offset frequency, scale factor, and others, require numeric data. Numeric data entry is a "free-format" input, i.e. spaces are allowed before and after a numeric character is entered. Spaces are not allowed within a number. A decimal point and an exponent are allowed, but not required. The preferred syntax for the three numeric data types (nr1, nr2, and nr3) are shown in *Figure 4-5.*




*Figue 4-5. Numeric Data Types*

If numeric data is required by a program message, it can be entered in integer, real, or floating point form. For example, the following command strings are equivalent:

```
OUTPUT 714;"MANUAL,500000000"
OUTPUT 714;"MANUAL,5E+08"
```

Program messages that require integer data (such as the RESOL or EFUN commands) will round any non-integer data to the nearest integer. For example, the following command strings are permitted, and equivalent:

```
OUTPUT 714;"RESOL,0.9"
OUTPUT 714;"RESOL,1"
```

## Character Data

Character data is used for those functions not requiring numbers, such as the FAST or HOLD setting for the sample rate function. Character data is also used for setting discrete conditions such as the ON/OFF setting of the smooth function. *Table 4-7* lists the allowable characters that can be included in a command to the HP 5361B.

*Table 4-7. Character Data*

| Data | Definition |
|---|---|
| ON | Turn function on. |
| OFF | Turn function off. |
| LASTV | Use last value as a frequency or pulse value entry. |
| NORMAL | Set FM Rate/Track function for NORMAL FM rate. |
| LOW | Set FM Rate/Track function for LOW FM rate. |
| TRACK | Set FM Rate/Track function for TRACK rate. |
| INT | Set Gate mode to Internal |
| EXT | Set Gate mode to External |
| ARM | Set Gate mode to Arm |
| FAST | Repeat measurement as quickly as possible. |
| HOLD | Hold last measurement until new measurement is triggered. |
| CW | Set Measurement Mode to CW |
| PULSE | Set Measurement Mode to Pulse |
| AUTO | Set Measurement Mode to automatically determine CW or Pulse,<br>Set pulse averages (PAVER) to automatic,<br>Set gate width (GWID) to automatic. |
| TIME | Set gate width in time. |
| EVENT | Set gate width in events. |

### String Data

String data is similar to character data except that the characters are enclosed in quotes (" "). This format allows special characters, such as <comma>, <space>, and <semicolon> to be sent as data. String data is used with the DISPLAY command for displaying messages on the front panel Liquid Crystal Display (LCD) assembly, and also with the SET command for sending ASCII hexdecimal characters.

### Value Specifier

You can specify a value (frequency or time) by sending a number in one of the three numeric data formats or by sending "LASTV" (the last value measured). All values entered are in hertz or time units.

## DATA OUTPUT

The following paragraphs describe the output format for each type of data returned over the bus by the HP 5361B.

### Measurement Output Formats

Measurement Output Formats vary depending on whether the trigger is "OPEN" (OPEN annunciator on) or set to HOLD. Output format also varies for Dump mode and Extended functions. The following paragraphs explain these differences.

The HP 5361B makes repeated measurements unless set to HOLD. At the end of each measurement cycle, HP-IB status is checked and, if the counter is addressed to talk, the latest measurement is output to the interface. After the next measurement cycle, the previously sent measurement is overwritten if not read by the controller or otherwise sent onto the bus. If the counter is not addressed to talk, no measurements are output to the interface.

When the counter is set to HOLD, no measurement is made until a trigger is received. After the trigger, a single measurement is made. The measurement result is output to the interface if the counter is addressed to talk. The counter will not output a measurement until it receives another trigger.

Dump mode measurements use the same output method as normal frequency measurements, except for two differences:

a. The output format is different (7 characters and EOI (End Or Identify) is sent with the last byte).

b. The counter cannot be set to HOLD.

### Extended Function and Diagnostic Results

Extended Functions and Diagnostics act like measurements in that both continuously cycle. At the end of a cycle, the result is sent to the counter's interface in a "wait until addressed" mode. In this mode, the counter's interface holds the data until read by the controller, and does not allow the data to be overwritten by frequency measurements. During talk only mode, extended function results will not be output. The interface receives the data regardless of whether the counter is addressed to talk or not. An EFUN? query must be sent to the counter for each extended function/diagnostic result desired. Diagnostic failure results are returned in the same way as diagnostic pass results.

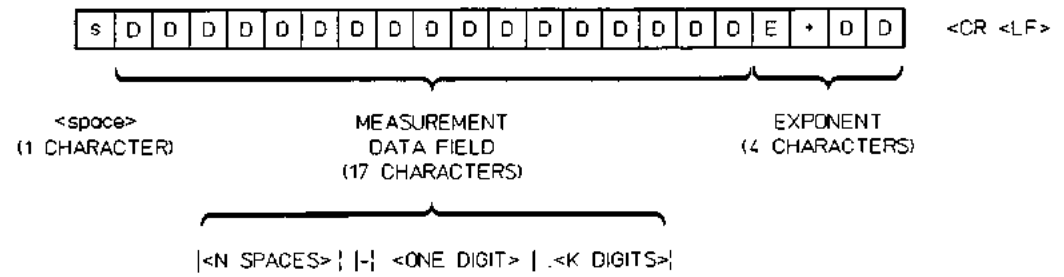
### Other Outputs

All other outputs must be requested by the controller through a query command. The data is sent to the counter's interface immediately in a "wait until addressed" mode, as described in the preceding paragraph. You can find information about the return format of individual queries in the detailed query descriptions of the HP-IB COMMAND DESCRIPTIONS in this section.

### Numeric Output Format

All frequency measurements (except DUMP mode measurements), key code responses to the KEY? query, and error number responses to the ERR? query, are returned in scientific notation. The returned data always contains 24 characters arranged in the format shown in *Figure 4-6.*

Variable number of spaces (N spaces) (at least 1 space)
Sign: "–" if negative, or <sp> if positive
One digit
Decimal point
Variable number of digits (K digits)
E ±sign
Two exponent digits
Carriage return
Line feed




The decimal point is omitted if it is the last character preceding the exponent "E" in the output string. The first digit will be zero only if the data output is zero.

The sign is "–" or <space> (implied positive), and is placed immediately to the left of the first digit of the mantissa. The sign may be preceded by blanks to make the total string length constant. The returned frequency returns all significant digits. The number of significaqnt digits depends on the resolution to which the measurement was made.

*Figure 4-6. Numeric Output Format*

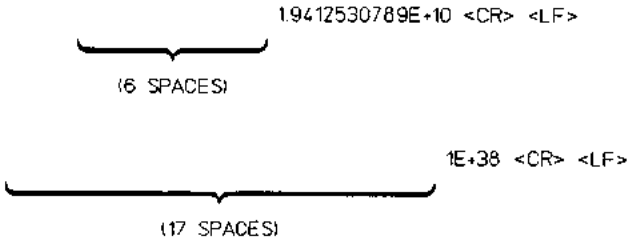
**MEASUREMENT DATA FIELD** The data field consists of 17 characters. The number begins with the sign, followed by the digits in descending order of significance. The number is right-justified within the data field. Spaces are inserted in front of the sign to keep the number of characters in the string constant.

**EXPONENT** The exponent is always two digits, and is preceded by the symbol "E" and a "+" or "-" sign. Hertz units are implied except for PWID, OFFT, and PRI.

**TYPICAL OUTPUT STRINGS** The example string at the top of *Figure 4-7* shows the typical output for an AUTO mode measurement of 19.412 530 789 GHz. A carriage return and line feed always follow the output string.

The example string at the bottom of *Figure 4-7* shows the output returned during an overflow (math result is out of bounds) or if the counter cannot acquire the input signal. (Dump mode is an exception; refer to the description of the DUMP command in the HP-IB COMMAND DESCRIPTIONS in this manual section for additional information.)

*Figure 4-7. Typical Output Strings*




## Query Output Format

Output formats for the HP 5361B query commands vary depending on the particular query. For detailed information about a given query, refer to the individual query descriptions in the HP-IB COMMAND DESCRIPTIONS of this manual section.

## ERROR HANDLING

Certain conditions will cause an error in the HP 5361B. When an error occurs, normal measurement operation is suspended until the error is cleared. The counter continues to process all HP-IB commands while in the error state.

You can clear errors by sending a Device Clear, Selected Device Clear, INIT, RESET, or CLR commands, or by pressing the RESET/LOCAL key. Pressing the RESET/LOCAL key also returns the counter to local operation.

***NOTE***

*The INIT Command will reset all internal counter conditions to default status.*

You can read error numbers via the bus by sending the ERR? query command. After receiving the ERR? query, the counter sends the error message to the controller, and remains in the error state. For example, the following command strings are required to transmit the error number to the controller:

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OUTPUT 714;"ERR?"

ENTER 714;X$

DISP X$
```

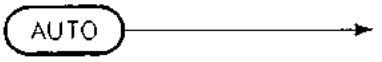
The status byte contains an error bit to flag an error condition. When an error condition occurs, the set flag reflects the message displayed on the counter's front panel. The error flag is cleared when the error is cleared, as described above. Note that there is a slight delay between sending the INIT command and the clearing of the status byte flag. If a serial poll is performed during this time, the status byte still shows an error.

## HP-IB COMMAND DESCRIPTIONS

The following paragraphs describe each of the HP-IB commands for the HP 5361B. Each program message and query is listed in alphabetic order. Syntax diagrams for the HP 5361B commands are shown with each explanation.

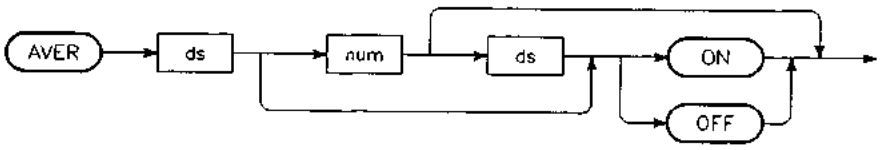
All query commands return data to the controller. Each description of a query includes information on the output format resulting from a given query.

### AUTO - Automatic Acquisition Mode



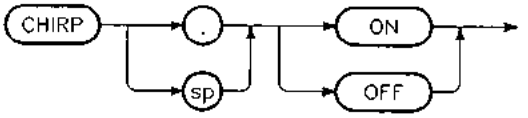

The AUTO program message has the same effect as the AUTO key on the front panel (i.e., selects INPUT 1, automatic acquisition mode). The current measurement cycle is aborted.

## AVER - Average Measurement Modifier



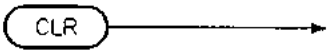

This command is valid only during PWID, OFFT, PRF, and PRI measurements. The AVER program message has the same effect as the RESOLUTION key on the front panel when pressed either alone or along with the SET/ENTER and 0 thru 9 keys during pulse envelope measurements. The measurement cycle is averaged according to the current or new average value that has just been entered. The maximum parameter value is 9,999.

## CHIRP - Chirp Mode



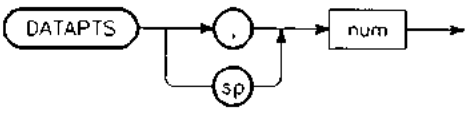

The CHIRP program message performs the same function as EFUN 96. To turn on Chirp mode, send CHIRP, ON over the bus. To return to normal measurement mode, send CHIRP, OFF.

## CLR - Instrument Clear




The CLR program message performs the same function as the Device Clear message: the current measurement is aborted, errors are cleared, input and output buffers are cleared, and any partially entered key sequence or HP-IB command is aborted.

## DATAPTS - Data Points

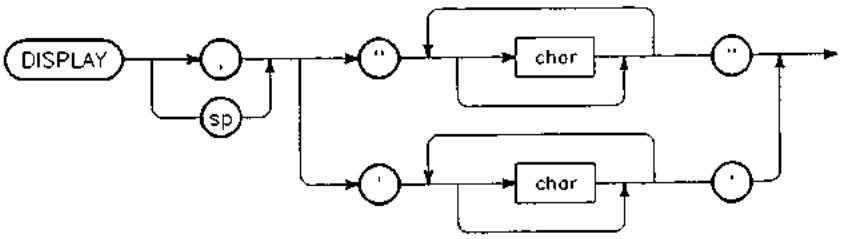



The DATAPTS program message performs the same task as EFUN 87. It sets the number of steps during profiling. When this command is sent, TSTART and TFINAL are cleared (EFUN 81 and EFUN 82 are turned off).

To set the number of steps to 35, send the command string DATAPTS,35 or DATAPTS 35. A maximum of 2 digits is allowed and the maximum number of steps is 99.

This command operates with the commands ESTART and EDELTA to specify how the profiling is to be done. The default value of 0 is loaded during power-up, after the INIT command, or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence.

## DISPLAY - Display Message/Conceal Message




The DISPLAY program message allows a string of up to 24 uppercase letters, numbers, or punctuation to be displayed on the front panel Liquid Crystal Display (LCD). Up to 48 characters are accepted without error, but only the first 24 characters are displayed; the remainder of the string is ignored. The string is left-justified in the display portion of the LCD. Refer to *Table* 3-2 in Section 3 for a listing of ASCII codes and corresponding LCD readout displays.

When composing messages for display, you should remember the following considerations:

a. Embedded string delimiters are not allowed.

b. Display of a single quotation mark requires the string to be enclosed by double quotation marks.

c. Display of a double quotation mark requires the string to be enclosed by single quotation marks.

d. Embedded spaces, commas, and semicolons are allowed.

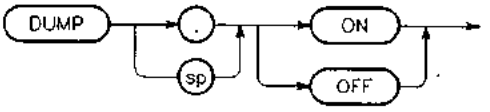
e. Each displayed period is part of the character to its left, so periods are not counted in the 24-character limit.

f. Extra places are filled with blanks.

You can turn off the message and return to normal display by sending a null (empty) string or the INIT command. To blank the display, send a single blank (" ").

The DISPLAY message supersedes all other messages when enabled, thus providing "display concealment" (equivalent to Diagnostic 99 - Display Lockout). No measurements or error message will be displayed while the remote string is active. If you set the counter to local mode (RESET/LOCAL key), the remote message continues to be displayed. To return to normal measurement display, press the special key sequence 7, 4, 0, RESET/LOCAL, momentarily disconnect ac power from the instrument, or use one of the previously mentioned HP-IB commands.

## DUMP - Take Fastest Measurements




The DUMP program message provides faster reading capability. Refer to *Table A-1* in the appendix A specifications for measurement rates in CW AUTO, CW MANUAL, PULSE AUTO, and PULSE MANUAL. When DUMP is on, the message " DUMPING - - - " is displayed on the front panel. The annunciators and display are not updated. The display will blank after 10 minutes. After DUMP is turned off, the display functions normally. Serial poll status is not updated while in DUMP mode.

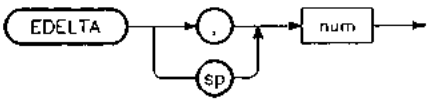
The format of the frequency returned in DUMP mode is optimized for speed. The data format is a 7-character numeric ASCII string, with no spaces or decimal points, as follows:

GGMMMkk ^ EOI

- where G = gigaHertz
  M = megaHertz
  k = kiloHertz
  EOI = End Or Identify
  (sent with last digit as message terminator)

Leading zeros are not blanked. The returned value must be multiplied by 10 kHz to get the frequency value in Hertz.

## EDELTA - Event Delta

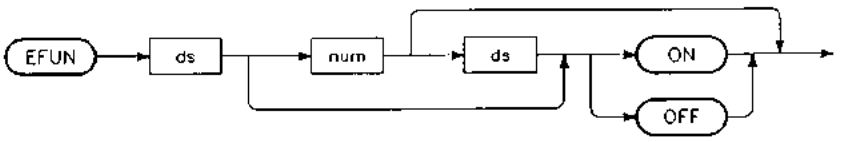



The EDELTA program message performs the same task as EFUN 89. It sets the delta events for profiling. When this command is sent, TSTART and TFINAL are cleared (EFUN 81 and EFUN 82 are turned off).

To set the delta events to 34, send the command string EDELTA,34 or EDELTA 34. A maximum of 6 digits is allowed with the maximum delta events equal to 999999.

This command operates with the commands DATAPTS and ESTART to specify how the profiling is to be done. The default value of 0 is loaded during power-up, after the INIT command or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence.

## EFUN - Extended Function




The EFUN program message can be used to set up most of the extended functions over the HP-IB. All functions except 1, 41– 43, and 80 are available over the bus. Some functions return data over the bus; others (primarily diagnostic) may require an oscilloscope or additional equipment. To get an extended function result from the counter, you must send the EFUN? query.

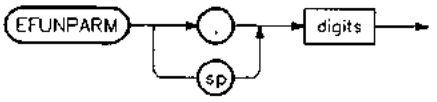
*NOTE:*

*Extended function failures are not treated as errors (i.e., the error bit in the serial poll is not set by a failed function).*

*NOTE:*

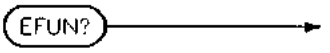
*Two extended functions cannot be exited using the EFUN,OFF command. Function 98 (Keyboard Lockout) and 99 (Display Lockout) can be cleared by setting the POWER switch to STBY or by sending the INIT (Initialize Instrument) command.*

## EFUNPARM - Extended Function Parameter



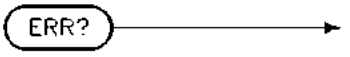

The EFUNPARM program message is used to send the parameter required by extended functions 51, 81, 82, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 95, and 97 after the EFUN program message is sent. As many EFUNPARM program messages as necessary can be entered immediately after Diagnostics 51, 81, 82, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 95, and 97 are enabled.

## EFUN? - Send Extended Function Result




The EFUN? query returns the current extended function result to the controller. The data returned consists of 24 ASCII characters arranged in a format similar to the front panel display that would appear for that function in local mode (except that no decimals are sent over the bus). Some of the results include measurements, such as the IF result in extended function 2. These measurements can be extracted from the pass/fail result by controller software.

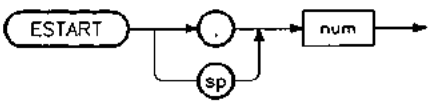
## ERR? - Send Error Number




The ERR? query causes the counter to return the current error number. If there is no error, the number returned is "0"; otherwise, the error number is returned. The output format is that described in Numeric Output Format earlier in this manual section. The four 5361B error types are listed below and discussed on page 2-88/89.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Error 1: | HP-IB NOT IN | 1 ERROR |
| Error 2: | I/O | 2 ERROR |
| Error 3: | OUT OF RANGE | 3 ERROR |
| Error 4: | SYNTAX | 4 ERROR |

## ESTART - Event Start

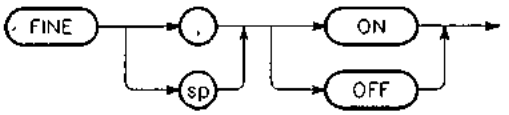



The ESTART program message performs the same task as EFUN 88. It sets the start event for profiling. When this command is sent, TSTART and TFINAL are cleared (EFUN 81 and EFUN 82 are turned off).

To set the start event to 213, send the command string ESTART,213 or ESTART 213. A maximum of 6 digits is allowed with the maximum start event equal to 999999.

This command operates with the commands DATAPTS and EDELTA to specify how the profiling is to be done. The default value of 0 is loaded during power-up, after the INIT command, or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence.

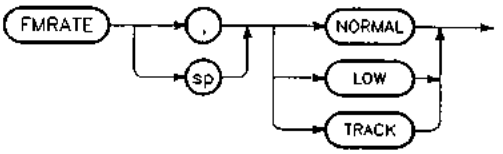
## FINE - Fine/Coarse Data




The FINE program message performs the same task as EFUN 83. It selects fine or coarse data for profiling. When the command string FINE,ON or FINE ON is sent, fine data is selected (approximately 50 data points used during profiling). When the command string FINE,OFF or FINE OFF is sent, coarse data is selected (approximately 10 data points used during profiling).

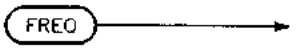
This command operates together with the TSTART and TFINAL commands to specify how the profiling is to be done. The default value of FINE,ON is loaded during full power-up, after the INIT command or after the SET/ENTER RESET/LOCAL key sequence. The data state (fine or coarse) is stored in the standby RAM before power-off.

## FMRATE - FM Rate/Track



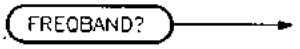

The FMRATE program message sets the FM rate/track function of the counter to one of three settings: NORMAL (normal FM rate), LOW (low FM rate), and TRACK (fast acquisition). For information about the FM rate/track function, refer to the operating procedures in Section 2 of this manual.

## FREQ - Frequency



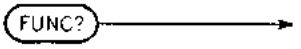

The FREQ program message has the same effect as the FREQUENCY key on the front panel (selects Frequency measurement for Pulse/CW signals). The current measurement cycle is aborted.

## FREQBAND? - Send Frequency Band (Option 040 Only)




The FREQBAND? query is available only with Option 040. The FREQBAND? query causes the counter to return the current frequency band. It returns "HIGH" if the counter is in the high frequency band, and returns "LOW" if the counter is in the low frequency band.

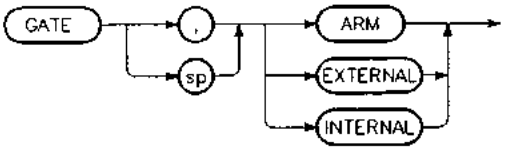
## FUNC? - Send Current Pulse/CW Function(s)




The FUNC? query causes the counter to return the current active pulse/CW function(s). The functions that can be returned for pulse measurements include: PWID, OFFT, PRF, PRI, PULSE, LPRF, GATE, and NPUL ON/OFF (<100 ns pulse mode). The functions that can be returned for CW mode include: FMRATE, FREQ and GATE.

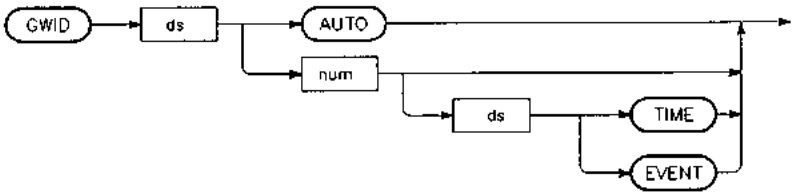
For example, with pulse width and external gate the return would be: PWID, EXT. For pulse frequency with arming and narrow pulse the return would be: PULSE, ARM, NPUL. For CW frequency with a low FM tracking rate the return would be: CW, LOW.

## GATE - Gate Mode




The GATE program message sets the Gate mode function of the counter to one of three settings: Arm, External, or Internal. For information about the Gate mode function, refer to the operating procedures in Section 2 and control/indicator information in Section 3 of this manual.

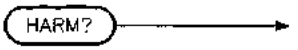
## GWID - Set Gate Width




This HP-IB command performs the same tasks as EFUN 90 for time and EFUN 95 for events. GWID sets the gate width in either time or events. You can also return the counter to automatic gate measurement mode by sending GWID,AUTO over the bus.

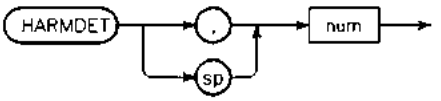
To set the counter to a gate width of 13.5 micro-seconds, the command string would be GWID,13.5E-6 or GWID,13.5E-6,TIME. If there is no character data sent with GWID (such as TIME), then it is assumed the corresponding number represents time. To set the counter to 45 events the command GWID,45,EVENT would be used.

## HARM? - Send Harmonic Number




The HARM? query outputs the harmonic number. This must be sent at the end of the measurement cycle. The output is in pseudo-scientific notation format. For example, if the harmonic number = 61, the output will be 6.1E+1.

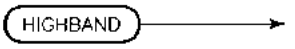
## HARMDET - Harmonic Number Determination




The HARMDET program message allows you to select how often the harmonic number (N) determination occurs during measurements. In local operation, harmonic number determination takes place during every measurement. In remote, the N determination takes place every 10 measurements. The desired number of measurements for N determination is sent as numeric data with the HARMDET command. Determination of N takes place after the chosen number of measurements has occurred.

If the counter is returned to local operation after a HARMDET command is sent, the number of measurements set via the bus is lost; the counter returns to determining N every measurement in local or remote operation.

## HIGHBAND - Set High Frequency Band (Option 040 Only)




The HIGHBAND program message has the same effect as the front panel key sequence: SET/ENTER, FREQUENCY/PROFILE when the LOWBAND command is active. When HIGHBAND is selected, the frequency band is between 12 GHz and 40 GHz. The annunciator "High Band" is on and the message "HIGHER FREQ BAND" is displayed. This command is disabled when the LOWBAND command is active.

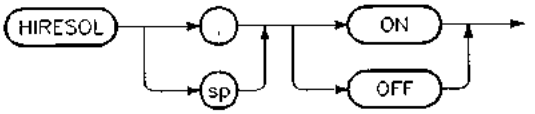
The default state, high frequency band, is loaded during full power-up (after AC power disconnect), after the INIT command, or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence. The frequency band status (low frequency band or high frequency band) is stored in standby RAM before power-off.

### HIGHZ - INPUT 2, 1 MΩ




The HIGHZ program message has the same effect as pressing the 1 MΩ key on the front panel (i.e., selects INPUT 2, 1 MΩ input impedance). The current measurement cycle is aborted.

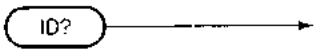
### HIRESOL - High Resolution




The HIRESOL program message turns the High Resolution function on and off for INPUT 2, 1 MΩ impedance measurements and INPUT 1 PRF measurements. This function will take precedence over the current resolution setting. The smooth function, if active, takes precedence over the high resolution function for INPUT 2 1 MΩ impedance measurements.

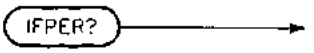
The higher resolution provided by the high resolution function depends on the input frequency, as shown in *Table 2-4* (where Fin=input frequency to INPUT 2).

### ID? - Send Identity



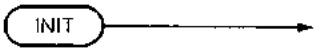

The ID? query causes the instrument to return a 7-character string containing the instrument model number "HP 5361B".

## IFPER? - Send IF Periods Per Step




The IFPER? query outputs the same value that appears in the text portion of the plot titled "IF periods per step =". This command must be sent at the end of the profiling cycle. The output is in pseudo-scientific notation format. For example, if the IF periods per step = 7, the output will be 7E+0.

## INIT - Initialize Instrument




The INIT program message sets the instrument to a state identical to the initial power-on state, except that the HP-IB interface is unaffected. This message clears errors, clears input and output buffers, turns off dump and sleep modes, and turns off keyboard and display lockouts (Diagnostics 98 and 99), if they are active. The INIT message is the only command (other than DUMP OFF) that should be sent to the instrument when dump mode is enabled; sending any other command will give unpredictable results. The INIT command must be followed by a Wait statement of at least 1.1 seconds prior to any further commands to the instrument.

*NOTE:*

*Because the RESET, CLR, and INIT commands clear the input buffers, these commands should be sent so that no new input is bussed until the last command is processed. This can be done by sending the command by itself with no other commands in that program message, or by placing the RESET, CLR, or INIT command at the end of a string of commands, as shown in the two examples below:*

```
OUTPUT 714;"RESET"
OUTPUT 714;"OFFSET,ON;AUTO;RESET"
```

## KEY? - Send Number of Last Key Pressed



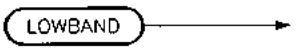

The KEY? query causes the instrument to return a number corresponding to the last key pressed, according to the list of

key codes shown in *Table 4-9*. The format of the returned number is described in Numeric Output Format earlier in this manual section.

*Table 4-9. Key Codes (KEY? query)*

| KEY CODE | KEY NAME | KEY CODE | KEY NAME |
|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | No Key | 11 | EXTENDED FUNCTIONS/1 |
| 1 | RESET/LOCAL | 12 | GATE MODE/4 |
| 2 | FREQ/PROFILE/GHz/ms | 13 | TRIGGER/. |
| 3 | PRF-PRI/KHz/ns | 14 | SELF CHECK-CAL/8 |
| 4 | PWIDTH-OFFTIME/MHz/μs | 15 | FM RATE/TRACK/2 |
| 5 | SET/ENTER | 16 | HP-IB ADDRESS/5 |
| 6 | OFFSET/LST VAL | 17 | MANUAL/± |
| 7 | SMOOTH/DEC ← | 18 | 50 OHM/9 |
| 8 | SCALE/INC → | 19 | AUTO/3 |
| 9 | SAMPLE RATE/0 | 20 | 1M OHM/6 |
| 10 | RESOLUTION/7 | | |

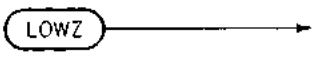
## LOWBAND - Set Low Frequency Band (Option 040 Only)




The LOWBAND program message has the same effect as the front panel SET/ENTER, FREQUENCY/PROFILE key sequence when the HIGHBAND command is active. When the LOWBAND command is selected, the frequency band is between 0.5 GHz and 29 GHz. The annunciator "High Band" is OFF and the message "LOWER FREQ BAND" is displayed.

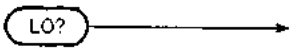
The default, high frequency band, is loaded during full power-up (after ac power disconnect), after the INIT command, or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence. The frequency band status (low frequency band or high frequency band) is stored in standby RAM before power-off.

## LOWZ - INPUT 2, 50Ω



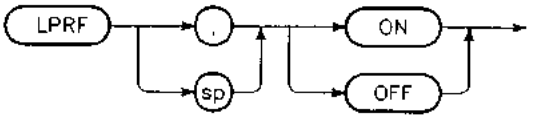

The LOWZ program message has the same effect as pressing the front panel 50Ω key (i.e., selects INPUT 2, 50Ω input impedance). The current measurement cycle is aborted.

## LO? - Send LO Frequency



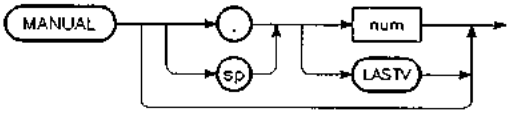

The LO? query outputs the LO frequency in Hz. The command must be sent at the end of the measurement cycle. The output is in pseudo-scientific notation format. For example, if the LO frequency = 334.3 MHz, the HP-IB output will be 3.34300000E+8.

## LPRF- Low Pulse Repetition Frequency



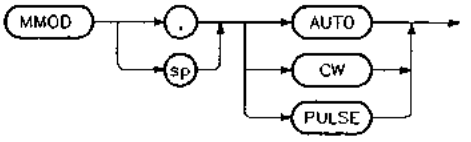

The LPRF ON program message has the same effect as turning on the <50 Hz PRF front panel function while in pulse mode. This function must be preceded by entry into the manual mode of operation.

## MANUAL - INPUT 1, Manual Mode




The MANUAL program message has the same effect as pressing the front panel MANUAL key (i.e., selects INPUT 1, manual mode). A manual center frequency parameter can be specified, in Hertz. If you do not specify a frequency or if you send the LASTV parameter, the last measurement is used as the manual center frequency. The current measurement cycle is aborted.

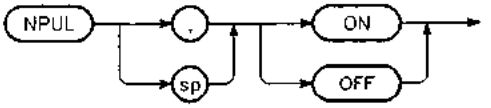
## MMOD - Set Measurement Mode




This HP-IB command performs the same task as EFUN 92. MMOD allows the counter to either: automatically determine whether the signal is CW or Pulse, make only CW measurements, or make only Pulse measurements. To set the counter to measure only CW, send MMOD,CW; to measure

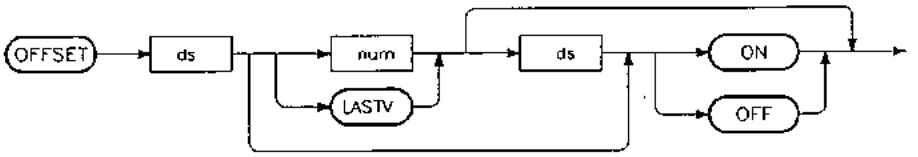
only Pulse, send MMOD,PULSE. To return to the automatic choice between CW and Pulse, send MMOD,AUTO.

### NPUL - Narrow Pulse Mode




This HP-IB command performs the same task as EFUN 93. To turn on the Narrow Pulse (less than 100 nanosecond) measurement mode, send NPUL,ON over the bus. To return to normal measurement mode, send NPUL,OFF

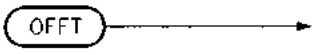
### OFFSET - Offset




The OFFSET program message is used to turn the offset function on and off, and to set the offset value. Sending the OFFSET command with a value parameter automatically turns on the offset function; in this case, sending "ON" or "OFF" is not required. The parameter can be positive (added to the measured value) or negative (subtracted from the measured value).

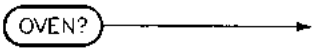
If "LASTV" is sent with the OFFSET command, the last measured value, negated, becomes the offset. For example, if the last measured frequency was 10 MHz, the offset value after sending "OFFSET,LASTV" will be: –10 000 000. All values are entered in hertz/time units.

### OFFT - Pulse Off Time




The OFFT program message has the same effect as pressing the OFFTIME key on the front panel (selects Pulse Off Time measurement for Pulse signals). The current measurement cycle is aborted.

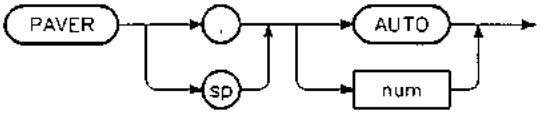
## OVEN? - Send Oven Status




The OVEN? query causes the instrument to return its oven status: WARM (if ready) or COLD. If neither of the oven oscillator options (Option 001 or 010) is installed, the WARM message is returned.

Oven status should be checked to ensure that valid measurements can be made when an oven oscillator is installed. Immediately after ac power is connected to the instrument, the oven is cold. The instrument responds to the OVEN? query by returning the COLD message. After the oven is stabilized at its correct temperature, the message returned will be WARM.

## PAVER - Pulse Averaging




This HP-IB command performs the same task as EFUN 91. PAVER sets the number of averages used in measuring the pulse carrier frequency. This is different from the AVER command used for the pulse envelope functions (pw, offtime, prf and pri). PAVER is used only for pulse carrier frequency measurements. (Refer to page 2-75 for frequency averaging information.)

When a value is set for PAVER, the counter will not calculate the number of averages needed to get a requested resolution. The syntax for PAVER to set 12 averages is, PAVER,12. You can return the counter to its automatic average number algorithym by sending PAVER,AUTO. The counter now averages as many measurements as needed for a requested resolution. If the total accumulated gate time for a measurement exceeds 20 seconds, the counter may display zero. Total gate time equals programmed width ×number of averages.

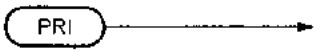
## PRF - Pulse Repetition Frequency




The PRF program message has the same effect as pressing the PRF key on the front panel (selects Pulse Repetition Frequency

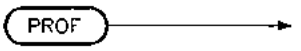
measurement for Pulse signals). The current measurement cycle is aborted.

### PRI - Pulse Repetition Interval




The PRI program message has the same effect as pressing the PRI key on the front panel (selects Pulse Repetition Interval measurement for Pulse signals). The current measurement cycle is aborted.

### PROF - Profile Frequency




The PROF program message sets the counter to profiling mode. It also sets the counter to output the table to an instrument controller. The PROF command does not affect the currently active acquisition mode whether AUTO or MANUAL for INPUT 1. If the counter is in either of the INPUT 2 modes, it is changed to the INPUT 1 AUTO mode after this command is sent. The table of time vs frequency will be sent to the instrument controller via the HP-IB, see example program #12 on page 4-54.

During the profile measurement process, the message "PROFILING- - -" is displayed. When the first profile data point of the table becomes available, the message "OUTPUT TABLE VIA HPIB- - -" is displayed. Data is sent using the "Wait To Send" mode. Each piece of data (time and frequency together on one line) is not overwritten by another until it is read by the instrument controller.

Profile data is obtained by multiple reads from the counter. Each read consists of time (in nanosecond) and profile frequency (in Hz) separated by spaces (the format is the same as the one used for the printer). The end of the table is indicated by the message "EOT". At the end of the profiling cycle, the average frequency is displayed.

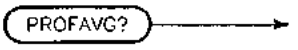
A convenient way to obtain the table is to first set the counter's sample rate to "HOLD". Then send the TRG command after all necessary parameters are set up. Tabular data is collected by multiple reads from the counter until "EOT" is received. If you want the average frequency, execute one more read from the counter after the "EOT" message. Sending another TRG

command initiates another frequency profile measurement and provides a new table.

The profiling mode is turned OFF during full power-up, after the INIT command or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence. The profile mode is stored in the standby RAM before power-off.

The counter can do frequency profiling without having to send the TSTART, TFINAL, FINE ON/OFF, DATAPTS, ESTART or EDELTA commands. If these commands contain the default values, the counter profiles between the beginning and end of the pulse using approximately 50 data points.

## PROFAVG? - Send Profile Number Of Averages




The PROFAVG? query outputs the same number which appears in the text portion of the plot alongside the row titled "Number of averages =". The command must be sent at the end of the profiling cycle. The output is in pseudo-scientific notation format. For example, if the number of averages=3000, the output is be 3.000E+3.

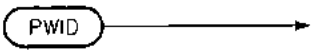
If the PAVER program message is used to set the number of averages to a non-zero value, the PROFAVG? query outputs the same number set by the PAVER command. If the PAVER program message sets the number of averages to 0, then the PROFAVG? query outputs a number based upon the current measurement resolution and width in time.

## PROFTIME - Profile Time Data




The PROFTIME program message performs the same measurement as the PROF command except that the table consists of a list of time values. These time values (ns) correspond to each step accumulated over averaging. This time data can be used, for example, to make phase deviation measurements. (Refer to appendix D.)

### PWID - Pulse Width



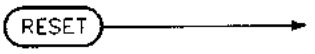

The PWID program message has the same effect as pressing the P WIDTH key on the front panel (selects Pulse Width measurement for Pulse signals). The current measurement cycle is aborted.

### REF? - Send Time Base Reference Status



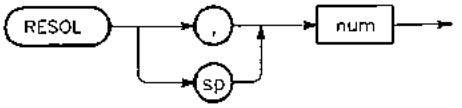

The REF? query causes the instrument to return its reference status. This query is most useful as a check that the instrument is properly connected to an external source. If an external source (1, 2, 5, or 10 MHz) is connected to the EXTERNAL IN connector on the rear panel, an EXT message is returned. If no external source is connected, the instrument is using its internal 10 MHz timebase reference, and the INT message is returned.

### RESET - Restart Measurement




The RESET program message performs the same function as the front panel RESET/LOCAL key when the instrument is in local mode: the current measurement is aborted, errors are cleared, input and output buffers are cleared, and any partially entered key sequence or HP-IB command is aborted. In addition, the extended function mode, if active, is exited.

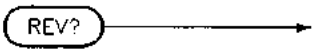
### RESOL - Resolution




The RESOL program message sets the resolution to values ranging from 1 Hz to 1 MHz, in decade steps. To set a resolution, send an integer with the RESOL header; non-integer data will be rounded. The numeric data codes corresponding to the resolution settings are listed below:

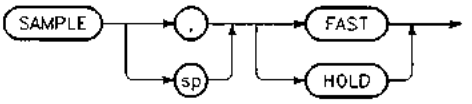
| Numeric Data | Resolution |
|---|---|
| 0 | 1 Hz |
| 1 | 10 Hz |
| 2 | 100 Hz |
| 3 | 1 kHz |
| 4 | 10 kHz |
| 5 | 100 kHz |
| 6 | 1 MHz |

### REV? - Send Firmware Revision Date Code



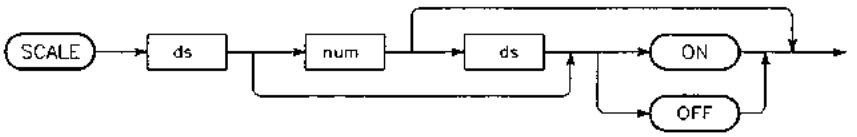

The REV? query causes the instrument to return a data code for the last firmware revision as a 4-digit ASCII string.

### SAMPLE - Sample Rate




The SAMPLE program message sets one of two sample rates: the FAST parameter causes the instrument to repeat measurements as quickly as possible. When the HOLD parameter is sent, a new measurement starts only after a TRIGGER or TRG program message is sent, or in response to a Group Execute Trigger (GET) on the bus.

### SCALE - Scale




The SCALE program message is used to turn the scale function on and off, and set the scale value. If you send the SCALE header with a numeric value, the scale function automatically turns on (the ON parameter is not required).

## SER? - Send Serial Number

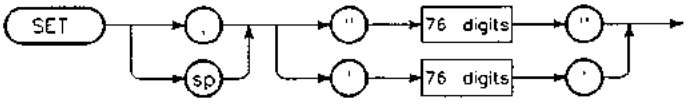



The SER? query is intended for Modular Automatic Test Equipment (MATE) compatibility. The instrument cannot return its actual serial number. Instead, the instrument returns a number in the correct format, as shown below:

dddd A00000

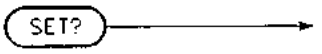
-where "dddd" is the firmware revision date, "A" is the country of origin (A = USA), and the number is zero ("00000").

## SET - Accept Instrument Setup



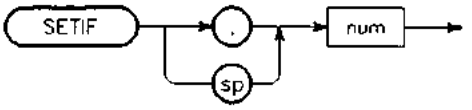

The SET program message sets up the instrument according to the data sent. The data sent is determined by previous instrument setup data saved using the SET? query. Different instrument configurations can be saved, then restored using the SET and SET? commands. Measurement results are not saved. For information about using the SET? query to save instrument setup data, refer to the following SET? query command description.

## SET? - Send Instrument Setup



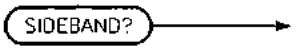

The SET? query causes the instrument to return an ASCII-encoded binary string specifying the current instrument setup. A 38-byte block of data from the microprocessor's internal RAM is sent to the controller. This block of binary bytes is converted to a 76-byte string of hexadecimal characters. The string is not enclosed in quotes. The data returned by the SET? query, if sent back to the instrument using the SET program message, configures the instrument setup.

## SETIF - Set IF For Manual Frequency



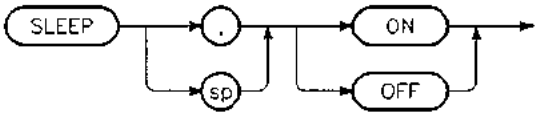

The SETIF program message performs the same task as EFUN 97, allowing you to specify the IF in MHz (2 digits only) when setting a manual center frequency. To set the IF to 56 MHz, send the command string SETIF,56 or SETIF 56. A maximum of 2 digits is allowed (the maximum IF value allowed is 99 MHz).

## SIDEBAND? - Send Sideband Position



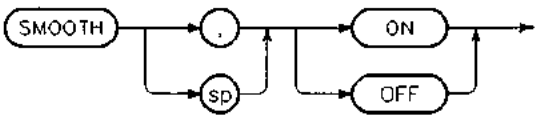

The SIDEBAND? query outputs the sideband position. The query must be sent at the end of the measurement cycle. The output is "LOWER" if in lower sideband, "UPPER" if in upper sideband.

## SLEEP - Low Emissions Mode



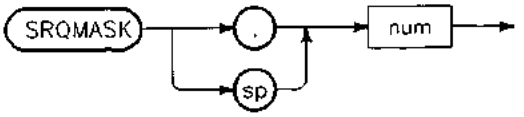

The SLEEP program message disables the high frequency input circuit (INPUT 1) to minimize emissions for the microwave input circuits. The SLEEP,ON command turns off power to the A12 Microwave Assembly. This command is useful when several instruments are connected to one signal, and the HP 5361B is temporarily not used for signal measurements. INPUT 1 measurements cannot be made when the sleep function is on. To turn the INPUT 1 circuit back on, send a SLEEP,OFF command to the instrument.

## SMOOTH - Smooth




The SMOOTH program message turns the smooth function on and off. The smooth algorithm and measurement cycle are restarted.

## SRQMASK - Service Request Mask




The SRQMASK program message is used to set the service request mask to enable selected status conditions to generate a service request (SRQ). If you set a given bit in the service request mask to "1" and a status condition occurs to set the corresponding bit in the status byte to "1", that status condition generates a service request mask. To set the mask, send "SRQMASK,n", where "n" is the decimal equivalent to the binary-weighted value of the desired condition(s), as shown below:

| Binary | Decimal | Condition |
|---|---|---|
| 0000 0000 | 0 | No SRQ conditions enabled |
| 0000 0001 | 1 | Data Ready |
| 0000 0010 | 2 | Measurement Complete |
| 0000 0100 | 4 | Error |
| 0000 1000 | 8 | Level |
| 0001 0000 | 16 | Local |
| 00X0 0000 | 32 | (don't care) |
| 0X00 0000 | 64 | (don't care) |
| X000 0000 | 128 | (don't care) |

Conditions can be enabled singly or in any combination desired. For example, sending "SRQMASK,6" will cause a service request if either an error occurs or a measurement is completed. Any number from 0 to 255 can be sent. For more information about the service request mask, refer to CHECKING INSTRUMENT STATUS in this manual section.

## TEST? - Send Self Check Results

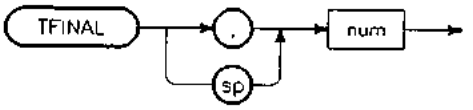



The TEST? query has an effect similar to pressing the front panel SELF CHECK key, starting an automatic sequence of diagnostic subroutines to test the counter's measurement circuits. Unlike the front panel self check, however, the counter exits the TEST? query self check immediately after the first failure. (Refer to "What to Do If There is a Problem" in Section 2 for more information about the front panel self check.)

After the self check is performed, a pass or fail result is returned to the controller. The result consists of 24 ASCII characters. The format is similar to the front panel display for

a local self check, except that no decimal points are sent over the bus.

## TFINAL - Set Profile Stop Time



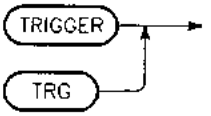

The TFINAL program message performs the same task as EFUN 82. It sets the stop time for profiling. When this command is sent, ESTART, EDELTA and DATAPTS are cleared. (EFUN 87, EFUN 88 and EFUN 89 will be turned off).

To set a stop time of 13 $\mu$s, send the command string TFINAL,1.3E-5 or TFINAL 1.3E-5. Maximum allowed time is 9.999999 ms.

This command operates with the TSTART and FINE ON/OFF commands to specify how the profiling is done. The default value of 0 is loaded during power-up (full power-up or power-up from standby), after the INIT command, or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence.

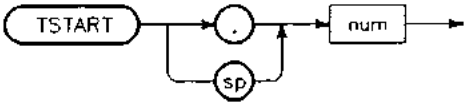
The default value of 0 uses the pulse width or the external gate width to determine the stop time, as long as ESTART, EDELTA and DATAPTS are not being used to control the profile.

## TRG, TRIGGER - Trigger




The TRIGGER or TRG program message has the same effect as the front panel TRIGGER key. If the instrument sample rate is set to HOLD when the TRIGGER command is sent, a new measurement is started. If the sample rate is not set to HOLD, the current measurement is aborted and a new one is started.

## TSTART - Set Profile Start Time




The TSTART program message performs the same task as EFUN 81. It sets the start time for profiling. When this command is sent, ESTART, EDELTA and DATAPTS commands are cleared. (EFUN 87, EFUN 88 and EFUN 89 are turned off).

To set a start time of 13ns, send the command string TSTART,1.3E-8 or TSTART 1.3E-8. The maximum time allowed is 9.999999 ms.

This command operates with the TFINAL and FINE ON/OFF commands to specify how the profiling is done. The default value of 0 is loaded during power-up (full power-up or power-up from standby), after the INIT command, or after the SET/ENTER, RESET/LOCAL key sequence.

## PROGRAMMING EXAMPLES

You can learn to program the counter more easily through the use of tried and tested HP-IB example programs. The following pages provide eleven programs for the HP 5361B. The examples shown are written in Series 200/300 BASIC. CW Frequency measurement is covered first, followed by Pulse measurement.

### Example Program #1 (Frequency Measurement):

```
100  DIM F$[24]
110  REMOTE 714
120  OUTPUT 714;"SAMPLE,FAST"
130  FOR K=1 TO 10
140   ENTER 714;F$
150   PRINT K;F$
160  NEXT K
170  LOCAL 714
180  END
```

This program sets the 5361B for remote operation, and sets the sample rate to take measurements as fast as possible. Ten measurements are taken; after each measurement, the measurement data is entered into a string and the string content is printed out by the controller. After 10 measurements have been taken, the counter returns to local operation.

### Example Program #2 (Frequency Measurement With Trigger):

```
10   DIM F$[24]
20   REMOTE 714
30   OUTPUT 714;"SAMPLE, HOLD"
40   FOR K=1 TO 10
50    OUTPUT 714;"TRIGGER"
60    ENTER 714;F$
70    PRINT K;F$
80   NEXT K
90   LOCAL 714
100  END
```

This program sets the 5361B to remote operation, and sets the sample rate to wait until triggered. The counter is triggered 10 times; at each measurement, the measurement data is entered into a string, and the string content is printed out by the controller. After 10 triggered measurements, the counter is returned to local operation.

### Example Program #3 (Timebase Verification):

```
10   DIM D$[24]
20   REMOTE 714
30   OUTPUT 714;"EFUN,10"
40   OUTPUT 714;"EFUN?"
50   ENTER 714;D$
60   PRINT D$
70   OUTPUT 714;"EFUN,OFF"
80   LOCAL 714
90   END
```

This program sets the 5361B for remote operation, and turns on extended function 10 (Timebase Verification). The controller sends a query to the counter, and the function result is entered into a string. The controller prints the string content, turns the function off, and then returns the counter to local operation.

## Example Program #4 (Display Message):

```
10   DIM D$[24]
20   REMOTE 714
30   D$="REMOTE MESSAGE"
40   OUTPUT 714;"DISPLAY,'"&D$&"'"
50   WAIT 2
60   OUTPUT 714;"DISPLAY,''"
70   LOCAL 714
80   END
```

This program sets the 5361B to remote, and sets up a string containing a 14-character message. The controller sends the DISPLAY command to the counter, with the message to be displayed. The message is displayed on the counter's front panel Liquid Crystal Display for two seconds, after which a blank is sent to the counter to clear the display. The counter then returns to local. Note the use of double and single quotes in the message to be displayed. The counter requires that data sent with the DISPLAY command be delimited by quotes. In this case, the data (D$) is delimited by single quotes. In line 40 of the BASIC program three strings are joined (using &) to form the command to the counter: "DISPLAY,'REMOTE MESSAGE'".

## Example Program #5 (Set/Return Status Byte):

```
10   Mask=4+2
20   REMOTE 714
30   OUTPUT 714;"SRQMASK,";Mask
40   P=SPOLL(714)
50   PRINT P
60   LOCAL 714
70   END
```

This program assigns a decimal value of 6 (4+2) to the variable "Mask". The 5361B is then set to remote, and the SRQMASK command is sent, along with the decimal value. The value of 4+2 enables the Error bit and the Measurement Complete bit in the status byte as conditions to generate an SRQ, if one or both of the conditions occurs. The controller next takes a serial poll of the counter, and assigns the value of the received status byte to the variable "P". The controller prints the status byte contents, and returns the counter to local.

## Example Program #6 (Manual Dump Mode Measurement):

```
10   DIM F$(100)[7]
20   REMOTE 714
30   OUTPUT 714;"MANUAL,4E+9"
40   OUTPUT 714;"SAMPLE,FAST"
50   OUTPUT 714;"RESOL,4"
60   OUTPUT 714;"OFFSET,OFF"
70   OUTPUT 714;"SCALE,OFF"
80   OUTPUT 714;"SMOOTH,OFF"
90   OUTPUT 714; "DUMP,ON"
100  !
110  FOR K=1 TO 100
120    ENTER 714;F$(k)
130  NEXT K
140  !
150  OUTPUT 714:"DUMP,OFF"
160  FOR K=1 TO 100
170    F=VAL(F$(K))*10000
180    PRINT K,F;"Hz"
190  NEXT K
200  !
210  LOCAL 714
220  END
```

This program sets the 5361B to remote, followed by commands to enable the DUMP mode with the counter set for a Manual measurement: Manual measurement mode is selected (with a chosen center frequency of 4 GHz), sample rate set for the fastest possible measurements, 10 kHz resolution, and all Math functions off. The DUMP mode is then turned on. The controller enters the data from a series of measurements into 100 strings, after which the DUMP mode is turned off. The content of each string is converted into a numeric value, multiplied by 10,000, and printed out by the controller (in Hz units). Finally, the counter returns to local operation.

## Example Program #7 (Frequency Measurement With Trigger/Measurement Complete Report):

```
10   REMOTE 714
20   OUTPUT 714;"SAMPLE,HOLD"
30   OUTPUT 714;"SRQMASK,2"
40   ON INTR 7 CALL Display
50   ENABLE INTR 7;2
60   !
70   OUTPUT 714;"TRIGGER"
80   FOR K=1 TO 20
90     WAIT .10
100  NEXT K
110  LOCAL 714
120  END
130  !
140  SUB Display
150  DIM F$[24]
160  S=SPOLL(714)
170  PRINT "STATUS = ";S
180  ENTER 714;F$
190  PRINT "Measured";F$;" Hz"
200  ENABLE INTR 7;2
210  SUBEXIT
220  SUBEND
```

This program illustrates the use of interrupts to detect the end of a measurement. The 5361B sample rate is set to HOLD so that a triggered measurement may be made. The Measurement Complete bit of the service request mask is enabled as a condition to cause a service request. The controller is set up to call a subroutine ("Display") to handle the service request interrupt when it occurs. The counter is triggered and begins a measurement. A two second wait loop is executed during which the counter completes the measurement and causes an SRQ interrupt. The Display subroutine is called; this subroutine proceeds to read and print the serial poll status byte and the just completed measurement. The Measurement Complete bit in the status byte is automatically cleared after the serial poll. The subroutine sets up the controller to accept interrupts, and then returns to the main program. When the wait loop is finished, the counter returns to local.

## Example Program #8 (Narrow Pulse/Manual Mode Frequency Measurement):

```
10   !
20   ASSIGN @Counter TO 714
30   Manual_freq=1.28E+10                          ! MANUAL FREQUENCY TO BE SET
40   !
50   OUTPUT @Counter;"INIT"                        ! PRESET THE COUNTER
60   OUTPUT @Counter;"SAMPLE,HOLD"                 ! SET THE COUNTER TO WAIT FOR A TRIGGER
55   WAIT 1.1                                      ! WAIT 1.1 SECONDS
70   OUTPUT @Counter;"NPUL,ON"                     ! TURN ON THE LESS THAN 100NS MEASUREMENT
80                                                 ! MODE
90   OUTPUT @Counter;"MANUAL,"&VAL$(Manual_freq)   ! SET THE MANUAL FREQUENCY
100  OUTPUT @Counter;"TRIGGER"                     ! START THE MEASUREMENT
110  !
120   ENTER @Counter;Frequency                     ! READ THE MEASUREMENT DATA
130  PRINT "THE FREQUENCY IS ",Frequency
140  !
150  OUTPUT @Counter;"PWID"                        ! SETUP TO READ THE PULSE WIDTH
160  OUTPUT @Counter;"TRIGGER"                     ! START THE MEASUREMENT
170  !
180  ENTER @Counter;Pulse_width                    ! READ THE PULSE WIDTH
190  PRINT "THE PULSE WIDTH IS ",Pulse_width
200  !
210  END
```

This program illustrates how to measure the carrier frequency of an 80 nanosecond pulse. The less than 100 ns measurement mode is turned on and the center frequency (CF) must be entered in manual mode. The width of the pulse burst is also measured.

## Example Program #9 (External-Gate Pulse Carrier/PRF Measurement):

```
10   !
20   ASSIGN @Counter TO 714
30   !
40   OUTPUT @Counter;"INIT"                        ! PRESET THE COUNTER
50   OUTPUT @Counter;"RESOL,4"                     ! SET THE 10KHZ RESOLUTION
55   WAIT 1.1                                      ! WAIT 1.1 SECONDS
60   OUTPUT @Counter;"GATE,EXT"                    ! SET COUNTER TO MEASURE WITH AN EXTERNAL GATE
70   !
80   ENTER @Counter;Frequency                      ! SINCE THE COUNTER  IS IN THE "FAST"
90                                                 ! MEASUREMENT MODE, NO NEED TO TRIGGER
100                                                ! THE COUNTER. THE MEASUREMENT WILL BE READ
110                                                ! ONCE IT IS COMPLETE.
120  PRINT "THE FREQUENCY IS ",Frequency
130  !
140  OUTPUT @Counter;"PRF"                         ! SET THE COUNTER TO MEASURE "PRF". THIS IS
150                                                ! THE TRUE REPETITION FREQUENCY OF THE SIGNAL,
160                                                ! NOTTHE REPETITION OF THE GATING SIGNAL.
170
180  ENTER @Counter;Rep_freq                       ! ENTER THE PULSE REPETITION FREQUENCY
190  PRINT "THE PULSE REPETITION FREQUENCY IS ",Rep_freq
200  !
210  END
```

This program first performs a frequency measurement on an externally gated pulse burst and then measures its pulse repetition frequency (PRF). The programmed measurements specify a 10 kHz resolution for the carrier frequency and 1 Hz resolution for the PRF.

## Example Program #10 (Pulse Width/Period (PRI) Average Measurement):

```
10   !
20   ASSIGN @Counter TO 714
30   !
40   OUTPUT @Counter;"INIT"                    ! PRESET THE COUNTER
50   OUTPUT @Counter;"SAMPLE,HOLD"             ! HAVE COUNTER WAIT FOR OUR SIGNAL TO
60                                             ! BEGIN THE MEASUREMENT
70   OUTPUT @Counter;"AVER,250;PWID"           ! SET THE COUNTER TO AVERAGE 250
80                                             ! MEASUREMENTS. ALSO, WE WANT THE COUNTER
90                                             ! TO MEASURE THE PULSE WIDTH
100  OUTPUT @Counter;"TRIGGER"                 ! START THE MEASUREMENT
110  !
120  ENTER @Counter;Pulse_width                ! READ THE RESULTS OF THE MEASUREMENT
130  PRINT "THE PULSE WIDTH IS ",Pulse_width
140  !
150  OUTPUT @Counter;"PRI"                     ! SET THE COUNTER UP TO MEASURE THE
160                                            ! PULSE REPETITION INTERVAL (PULSE
170                                            ! PERIOD)
180  OUTPUT @Counter;"TRIGGER"                 ! START THE MEASUREMENT
190  !
200  ENTER @Counter;Pulse_period
210  PRINT "THE PULSE PERIOD IS ",Pulse_period
220  !
230  END
```

This program first measures the Pulse Width and then the Pulse Period (PRI) of the input signal. Each output measurement is the average of 250 separate measurement samples and is triggered via program commands.

## Example Program #11 (Set Gate Width/Trigger Frequency Measurement):

```
10   !
20   ASSIGN @Counter TO 714
30   !
40   OUTPUT @Counter;"INIT"                    ! PRESET THE COUNTER
45   WAIT 1.1                                  ! WAIT 1.1 SECONDS
50   OUTPUT @Counter;"SAMPLE,HOLD"             ! SET COUNTER TO WAIT FOR A TRIGGER
60   OUTPUT @Counter;"GWID,23.5E-6,TIME"       ! SET THE COUNTER TO RECEIVE THE GATE
70                                             ! WIDTH OF 23.5 MICROSECONDS
80   !
90   !
100  TRIGGER @Counter                          ! USE A GROUP EXECUTE TRIGGER TO TAKE
110                                            ! THE MEASUREMENT
120  !
130  ENTER @Counter;Frequency                  ! READ THE DATA
140  PRINT "THE FREQUENCY IS ",Frequency
150  !
160  END
```

This program first sets the gate width and then makes a frequency measurement. A group execute trigger is used to trigger the counter instead of the trigger command.

## Example Program #12 (Frequency Profiling Data):

```
10   ! Example Program #12: Frequency Profiling Data
20   !
30   C$=CHR$(255)&"K"                          ! * Clear the screen.
40   OUTPUT 2 USING "#,K";C$
50   Counter=714                               ! * HPIB:  Counter = 14.
60   REMOTE Counter                            ! * Put the counter in remote.
70   !
80   DIM Timez$(100)[48]                       ! * Time vs freq data.
90   OUTPUT Counter;"INIT"                     ! * Initialize the counter.
100  WAIT 1.2                                  ! * This is the minimum delay time
110                                            ! * for init to complete.
120  OUTPUT Counter;"RESOL,0"
130  OUTPUT Counter;"SAMPLE HOLD"
140  PRINT ""
150  PRINT "          PROFILING IN PROGRESS .............  "
160  !
170  ! * Set start event.
180  !
190  OUTPUT Counter;"ESTART,0"
200  !
210  ! * Set delta event.
220  !
230  OUTPUT Counter;"EDELTA 1"
240  !
250  ! * Set data points.
260  OUTPUT Counter;"DATAPTS 10"
270  !
280  ! * Set command to get time vs freq table.
290  OUTPUT Counter;"PROF"
300  OUTPUT Counter;"TRIGGER"
310  !
320  I=0
330  PRINT ""
340  REPEAT
350     ENTER Counter;Timez$(I)
360     I=I+1
370  UNTIL Timez$(I-1)[1,3]="EOT"
380  Data_pts=I-2                              ! * Number of data points
390                                            ! * excluding "EOT".
400  I=0
410  REPEAT
420     PRINT Timez$(I)[1,8]                   ! * Print time value, the value
430                                            ! * ends at 8th position.  Max.
440                                            ! * of 10ms (i.e. total of 7
450                                            ! * digits allowed,  9999999
460                                            ! * is the maximum value.)
470     PRINT Timez$(I)[31,46]                 ! * Print freq value, the value
480                                            ! * always ends at 46th position.
490                                            ! * The starting position is a
500                                            ! * function of the resolution
510                                            ! * and the freq value.  For
520                                            ! * example, for 1Hz resolution,
530                                            ! * and 1.2 GHz freq value, the
540                                            ! * value starts at 31st position
550                                            ! * including the sign.
560     I=I+1
570  UNTIL I=Data_pts+1
580  END
```

APPENDIX

# A

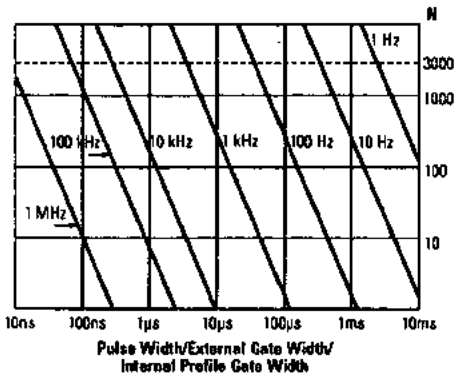
# SPECIFICATIONS

## INTRODUCTION

The Specifications[1] for the HP 5361B are described on the following pages. These specifications are the performance standards or limits against which the instrument can be tested. Perfomance test procedures for testable specifications are described Section 1 (Performance Tests). Some performance parameters are called "typical" or noted as "characteristic(s)". These values have no corresponding performance tests in Section 1. This appendix is oragnized into the following three information groups. (NOTE: Specifications[1] footnotes are on page A-4.)


- Pulse and CW Specifications — pgs. A-2 through A-4
- General and Enhanced Characteristics — pg. A-5
- Option Specifications — pg. A-6

*Table A-1. HP 5361B Specifications*




**Graph 1** - Resolution; number of pulses (N) vs. pulse width/external gate width/ internal profile gate width. Gating Time = N x (PRI + 0.4 ms).**

| Pulse Width | $K_1$ | $K_2$ms (hi-band, opt.040) |
|---|---|---|
| MANUAL ACQ. (< 100 ns) | 10 | 180 |
| 100 ns to 250 ns | 1200 | 1700 |
| 250 ns to 500ns | 250 | 360 [1700] |
| 500 ns to 1.00 µs | 120 | 360 [1700] |
| 1.0 µs to 5.0 µs | 30 | 360 |
| >5.0 µs | 12 | 360 |
| ASSESS,PULSE/CW | 780 - 1300 ms | |

**Table 1** - Pulse Acquisition Time = (J* x $K_1$) x PRI** + $K_2$(in ms) + Assess***

* J = 1 unless signal carrier freq. is moving, then J=10.
** PRI minimum = 200 µs for equations.
*** Assess only needs to be added when a change from Pulse/CW is done.

**Example:** For a PRI of 1 ms, pulse width of 10µs, and a resolution set to 10 kHz, for a standard HP 5361B using automatic acquisition,
**Gating Time** = (3) x (1 ms + 0.4ms) =4.2ms
**Acquisition Time**= (1 x 12) x 1 ms + 360 ms = 372 ms;
**Measurement Time** = 4.2 ms + 372 ms + 200 ms = 576 ms.

## INPUT SPECIFICATIONS

| | Input 1 (50 Ω) | Input 2 (1 MΩ II 70 pf) | Input 2 (50 Ω) |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Freq Range** | 500MHz - 20, 26.5, 40 GHz | 10 Hz - 80 MHz | 10 MHz - 525 MHz |
| **Sensitivity** | | 25 mVrms | 25 mVrms |
| 0.5 - 12.4 GHz | -28 dBm | | |
| 12.4 - 20 GHz | -23 dBm | | |
| 0.5 - 26.5 GHz (opt. 026,040) | -20 dBm | | |
| 26.5 - 40 GHz (opt. 040) | dBm = 0.37 x f(in GHz) - 29.8 | | |
| **Maximum Input** | +7 dBm | 1 Vrms | +10 dBm |
| **Damage Level** | +25 dBm | dc - 5 kHz: 250 V(dc + peak ac)<br>>5 kHz: 5.5 Vrms + 1.25 $10^{-6}$ Vrms/(Freq) | |
| **Connector** (Std.) (opt. 026, 040) | Type N, female 2.92 mm, male, compatible with APC 3.5 and Type A | BNC, female (with replaceable fuse). | |
| **SWR (Typical):** | | | |
| 0.5 - 10 GHz | <2:1 | NA | NA |
| 10 - 20 GHz | <3:1 | | |
| 20 - 26.5 GHz (opt. 026, 040) | <3:1 | | |
| 26.5 - 40 GHz (opt. 040) | <3.5:1 | | |

## FREQUENCY (INPUT 1)

**Automatic Acquisition:**
500 MHz - 20 GHz;
500 MHz - 26.5 GHz (opt. 026, 040);
12 GHz - 40 GHz (opt. 040, high-band);
for CW and pulses > 100 ns.

**Manual Acquisition:**
500 MHz - 1 GHz, entered value = Input signal ± 3 MHz
1 GHz - 30 GHz, entered value = Input signal ± 20 MHz;
30 GHz - 40 GHz, entered value = Input signal ± 10 MHz;
for pulses < 100 ns, entered value = Input signal ± 3 MHz .

**Least Significant Digit:**
1 MHz to 1 Hz for frequency, 0.001 Hz for PRF.

**Residual Stability:**
1 LSD rms typical for 1 Hz resolution at 25°C, when counter and source use common 10 MHz time base or counter uses external high stability time base.

### Pulse Frequency Measurements

**Pulse Width** (Minimum):
60 ns (< 100 ns mode, manual Acq.)[3];
100 ns (Auto Acq.).

**Pulse Rep Freq:**
Min (low PRF mode)- 1 Hz (0 to 30°C).
Min/Max (Default)- 50 Hz/2 MHz .

**On/Off Ratio** (Typical): ≥15 dB.

**Maximum Video** (Typical):
≥ (Signal level + 20 dB).

**FM Chirp Tolerance[2]:**
Manual Acq.- 50 MHz p-p (when entered value = center frequency ±1MHz).
Auto Acq.- 10 MHz p-p.

**Rise/Fall time** (Typical, to remain in Pulse Mode): ≤ 20 µs.

**Measurement Time** (Typical)[5]: Gating time + Acq. time + 200 ms (graph 1, table 1).

**Resolution[4]:** 1 Hz - 1 MHz (graph 2).

**Accuracy[4]:** Time base uncertainty (graph 4) + Gate Error (graph 3).

*Table A-1. HP 5361B Specifications (Continued)*

## CW Frequency Measurements

**AM Tolerance (Typical):** ≤ 40% to 5 kHz; ≤16%, above 5 kHz.

**FM Deviation** (Typical, See Graph 5)[6]:
Manual Acq. (when entered value = center frequency ±1MHz) - 60 MHz p-p; 55 MHz p-p (opt. 040).
Automatic Acq.- 20 MHz p-p; 12 MHz p-p (opt. 040).

**FM Rate** (Maximum)[6]: 10 MHz.

**Tracking Speed**[7]:
Fast Acquisition Track- 800 MHz/s.
Normal FM Rate- 1 MHz/s.
Low FM Rate- 80 kHz/s.

**Acquisition Time** (Manual Acq.): <40 ms.

**Acquisition Time** (Automatic Acq.)[6]:
Fast Acquisition Track- <100 ms.
Normal FM Rate- <170 ms.
Low FM Rate- <1.3 seconds.

**Gate Times** (1 Hz Resolution):

| | |
|---|---|
| 500 MHz - 5.7 GHz | 200 ms |
| 5.7 GHz - 11.3 GHz | 400 ms |
| 11.3 GHz - 16.9 GHz | 600 ms |
| 16.9 GHz - 22.5 GHz | 800 ms |
| >22.5 GHz | 1000 ms |

**Measurement Time** (Typical)[5]: Gate Time + Acquisition Time + 100 ms.

**Resolution:** 1 Hz - 1 MHz, selectable.

**Accuracy:** ±1 LSDrms ± time base uncertainty (graph 4).

## PROFILE (INPUT 1)

**Frequency Range** (Min/Max for Y axis, see FM chirp tolerance for span):
500 MHz/20 GHz.
500 MHz/26.5 GHz (opt. 026).
500 MHz/40 GHz (opt. 040).

**FM Chirp Tolerance**[2] (Max span for Y axis):
Manual Acq.: 50 MHz p-p (when entered value = ±1 MHz of center frequency).
Auto Acq.: 10 MHz p-p.

**Time Range** (Min/Max span for X axis):
100 ns/10 ms.

**Time Resolution:** 1 ns.

**Internal Gate Width:**
Minimum: 11 to 23 ns.
Typical minimum: 14 ns.
Maximum: 10 ms.

**External Gate Width** (Minimum):
Manual Acq.: 20 ns.
Auto Acq.: 60 ns.

**Gating/Arming:**
Pulse- Internal, external arming, external gating.
CW- External gating.

**Number of Data Points:**
Auto Profile: up to 75.
Manual Profile: 1 to 99.

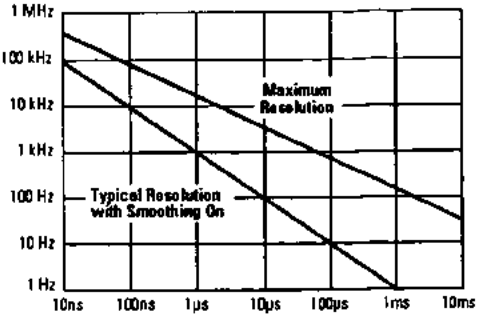
## Profile Frequency Measurements

**Frequency Resolution:**
Selectable, 1 Hz to 1 MHz, dependent on internal profile gate width (graph 2).

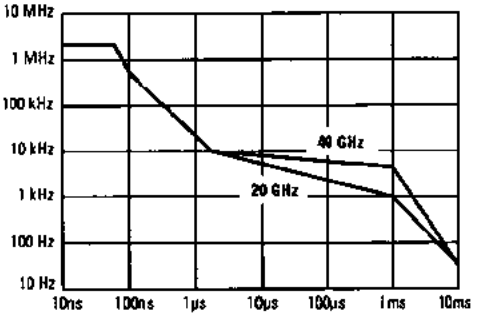
**Printers Supported:** ThinkJet (HP 2225A), QuietJet Plus (HP 2227B), PaintJet (HP 3630A, opt. 002).

## Profile Phase Measurements

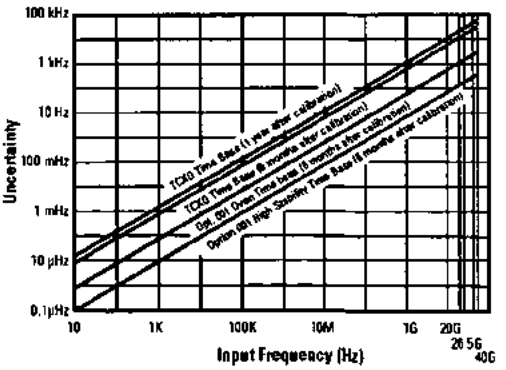
See Application Note 377-4 for details. Computer required.



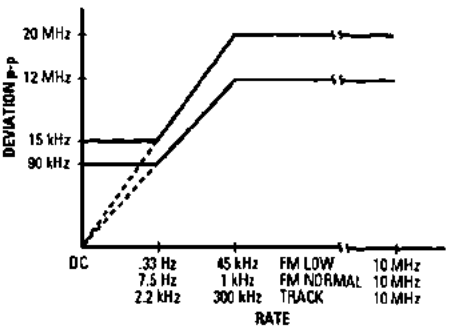

**Graph 2** - Maximum resolution as a function of pulse width/external gate width/internal profile gate width.




**Graph 3** - Maximum gate error as a function of pulse width/external gate width/internal profile gate width.




**Graph 4** - Time base uncertainty.




**Graph 5** - FM rate vs. deviation rate.

## Pulse Parameters (INPUT 1): *Measurements approx. 6 dB below signal peak.*

| | *Pulse Width* | *PRI* | *Offtime* | *PRF* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Min/Max | 60 ns/10 ms | 500 ns/1 s | 400 ns/1 s | 1 Hz/2 MHz |
| LSD | (PW <1 ms)- 1 ns; (PW ≥1ms)- 100 ns | | | to 0.001 Hz |
| Accuracy* (100 ave.) | ± (20 ns + timebase error x Measurement ) ± LSD | | | ± (20 ns) x (PRF)$^2$ ± LSD ± Timebase uncertainty |

* for rise/fall times ≤ 20 ns.

*Table A-1. HP 5361B Specifications (Continued)*

## FREQUENCY (INPUT 2)

**Frequency Range:** 10 Hz to 525 MHz.

**Mode of Operation:**
50 Ω: 10 MHz to 525 MHz.
1 MΩ: 10 Hz to 80 MHz.

**Sensitivity:**
Full Operating Environment:
50 Ω: 10 MHz to 525MHz, 25 mVrms.
1MΩ: 10 MHz to 80 MHz, 25 mVrms.
@ 25°C (typical):
50 Ω: 10 MHz to 525 MHz, 15 mVrms.
1 MΩ: 10 Hz to 80 MHz, 15 mVrms.

**Gate Time:** 1/Resolution, 1ms minimum.

**Resolution:** selectable 1 Hz to 1 MHz.

**High Resolution:** 1 MΩ mode: 0.001 Hz for < 100 kHz input; 0.01 Hz for < 1 MHz input; 0.1 Hz for < 10 MHz; 1 Hz for > 10 MHz input; 1 second gate.

**Accuracy:** ± 1 LSD ± $\left( \frac{\text{Trigger Error}^{8} \times \text{freq.}}{0.7 \times \text{Gate Time}} \right)$ ± Time Base Uncertainty

(See Graph 3)

**Impedance** (nominal):
Selectable - 1 MΩ ‖ 70 pf, or 50Ω.

**Coupling:** ac.

**Connector:** BNC with replaceable fuse.

**Maximum Input:** (50 Ω) - +10 dBm; (1 MΩ) - 1 Vrms.

**Damage Level:** 50 Ω or 10 MΩ.
dc to 5 kHz: 250 V (dc + ac peak);
>5 kHz: 5.5 Vrms (+ 28 dBm) $+1.25 \times 10^{6}$.

## TCXO TIME BASE

**Crystal Frequency:** 10 MHz.

**Stability:**
Aging Rate- $<1 \times 10^{-7}$ per month.
Short Term- $<1 \times 10^{-9}$ for one second averaging time.

**Temperature:** $<1 \times 10^{-6}$, 0 - 50° C set to offset frequency at + 25° C.

**Line Variation:** $<1 \times 10^{-7}$ for 10% change from nominal.

**Notes:**

1 Specifications herein describe the instrument's warranted performance. Typical or nominal measurement characteristics are intended to provide information useful in applying the instrument, but are non-warranted performance parameters.

2 For carriers from 1 GHz to 40 GHz and chirp mode on.

3 For carriers from 1 GHz to 40 GHz.

4 Resolution is the standard deviation of the measurement error, and accuracy is the mean. This can be approximated as Gaussian.

5 AGC setting time is 0.3 to 2.5 seconds (or 3 minutes for Low PRF mode). If signal amplitude is not steady state, this must be added to the measurement time.

6 Valid for Extended Function 92 (forced CW Mode). For carriers from 1 GHz to 40 GHz.

7 These tracking speeds ensure that an incorrect answer will not be displayed. The HP 5361B will display the correct answer or no answer. Valid for Extended Function 92 (Forced CW mode).

8 Trigger Error: $\frac{\sqrt{e_i^2 + e_n^2}}{\text{Input Slew Rate in V/s at Trigger point}}$

Where $e_i$ = Effective rms noise of counter's input channel (100 µV typical).
$e_n$ = rms noise of the input signal for a 500 MHz bandwidth.

*Table A-1. HP 5361B Specifications (Continued)*

# Characteristics*

## GENERAL

**Display:** 24 character alpha-numeric LCD.

**Keyboard Setup:** Setup stored by STBY mode.

**Self-Check:** Performs internal checks and gate bias calibration.

**Calibrate:** Calibrates gate error at power up and when self check/cal is requested.

**Lockout:** Display and Keyboard, see manual.

**Data Output:** HP-IB to HP 350, with Ext. Function 92 and "Dump Mode"; varies with freq., resolution, and Mode.
CW- (10 kHz resolution).
Automatic Mode: 100 readings/s.
Manual Mode: 120 readings/s.
Pulse- (10 kHz res., 5 kHz PRF, and 10 ms PW).
Automatic Mode: 4 readings/s.
Manual Mode: 10 readings/s.

**Sample Rate:** Variable from less than 50 msec to infinite (HOLD).

**Display Rate:** 5/s for 1 kHz resolution, CW.

**Low Emission Mode:** Input 1 emissions reduced to < -70 dBm typical when sleep mode or input 2 is selected.

**HP-IB:** Functions and Extended Functions are programmable. Address settable from front panel. Teach/Learn programming IEEE 728 compatible command structure.

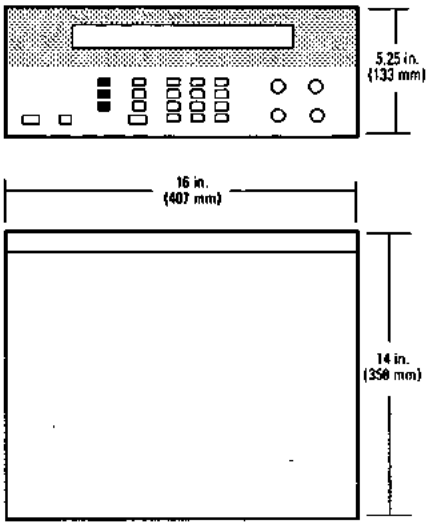
**Operating Temperature:** 0° C to 50° C.

**Power Requirements:** 100 VA Max.
Line select-
100 V (90 - 105 VAC; 47.5 - 440 Hz);
115/120 V (104-126 VAC; 47.5 - 440Hz);
220 V (198 - 231 VAC; 47.5 - 66 Hz);
230/240 V (207-252 VAC; 47.5 - 66 Hz).

**Extended Functions:** Set sampler LO frequency; set gate width in time; force pulse or CW mode; <100 ns pulse width mode; high resolution mode; set gate width in IF periods; and 11 settable profile parameters.

**Size:** 133mm H x 407 mm W x 358mm D; 5.25 in. H x 16 in. W x 14 in. D.

**Weight:** 11 kg (24 lbs).




**Gate Modes (Input 1):**
Internal Gate- Automatically gate on either CW or pulsed signals.
External Gate- A low TTL signal on the Gate/Arm Input determines when a frequency measurement is made.
External Arm- A high to low TTL edge enables a measurement on the next pulse. The edge must occur 50 ns (typical) prior to the pulse to be measured. The edge must also occur during the pulse offtime.

**Math Functions:** Result = (Measurement x scale) + offset.

**Offset-** Measurement is offset by entered value.

**Scale-** Measurement is multiplied by entered value.

**Smooth (Input 1)-** Displayed resolution is determined using exponential averaging; displays only stable digits, and increases resolution.

**Level Indicator:** "LEVEL", indicates AGC is leveling, check that input range is not exceeded.

**IF Output:** Rear panel BNC provides 30 to 110 MHz down-converted microwave signal at - -13 dBm into 50 Ω, ac coupled.

**Scope-view:** Digital version of the IF + internal gate. The pulse is represented as the IF of the down-converted pulse (nominally 300 mv p-p) with an average value of -0.8 volts. The gated portion of the signal is offset to an average value of -1.2 volts, illustrating the measurement interval.

**Pulse Output:** 1 to 0 volts into 50 Ω. Delay from detected pulse 15 nsec, nominal.

**Ext. Gate/Arm Input:** Input requires a TTL active low edge (armed) or level (gate). Input impedance is 1.5 k Ω ll 30 pf, connected to 3.3 Volts. Delay from external gate/arm edge to measurement 15 nsec.

**Time Base Output:** 10 MHz and 1 MHz, >2.4 V square wave ac coupled into 1 k Ω or >1.5 Vp-p into 50 Ω. Available at rear panel BNC connectors whenever the instrument has ac power connected.

**External Time Base:** 1, 2, 5, 10 MHz, 0.7 volts minimum to 8 V maximum p-p sine wave or square wave into >1 k Ω shunted by <30 pf. The external reference is automatically selected when a signal is present and an indicator (▼) appears in the display. TCXO power is turned off, oven heater on, oscillator signal disconnected.

* Characteristics are intended to provide information useful in applying the instrument by giving TYPICAL but nonwarranted performance parameters.

*Table A-1. HP 5361B Specifications (Continued)*

## OPTIONAL OVEN TIME BASE, OPTION 001

**Crystal Frequency:** 10 MHz.

**Stability:**
Aging Rate- <5 x $10^{-10}$ per day after 24 hr warm up when off-time is < 24 hrs and aging rate is < 5 x $10^{-10}$ per day prior to turn off. < 5 x $10^{-10}$ per day in < 30 days of continuous operation for off-time >24 hrs. <1 x $10^{-7}$ per year for continuous operation.
Short Term- <1 x $10^{-10}$ for 1 second averaging time.

**Temperature:** <7 x $10^{-9}$, 0 - 50° C.

**Line Variation:** <1 x $10^{-10}$ for 10% change from nominal.

**Warm Up:** <5 x $10^{-9}$ of final value 10 minutes after turn-on at 25° C when off-time is <24 hours and the aging rate is <5 x $10^{-10}$ per day prior to turn off.*

## OPTIONAL INCREASED DAMAGE LEVEL, OPTION 006

Protects input 1 from damage by limiting high level signals. All specifications are the same except Input 1.

**Damage Level (Pulsed):**
+50 dBm (100 Watts) peak, pulse width ≤1 μs 0.001 duty cycle, typical.

**Damage Level (CW):**
500 MHz to 6 GHz- +39 dBm (8Watts);
6 GHz to 18 GHz- +36 dBm (4 Watts);
18 GHz to 26.5 GHz- +34.8 dBm (3 Watts).

**Sensitivity (Insertion Loss):** 3 dB, 500 MHz to 12.4 GHz; 4 dB, 12.4 GHz to 20 GHz ; 5 dB, 20 GHz to 26.5 GHz .

**SWR:** (500 MHz to 10 GHz) <2.5:1 typical; (10 GHz to 26.5 GHz) <3.5:1 typical.

## OPTIONAL OVEN TIME BASE, OPTION 010

**Crystal Frequency:** 10 MHz.

**Stability:**
Aging Rate- <7 x $10^{-10}$ per week after 24 hr warm up when off-time is < 24 hrs and aging rate is <7 x $10^{-10}$ per week prior to turn off. <7 x $10^{-10}$ per week in <30 days of continuous operation when off-time >24 hrs. <2 x $10^{-8}$ per year for continuous operation.
Short Term- <1 x $10^{-10}$ for 1 second averaging time.

**Temperature:** <7 x $10^{-9}$, 0 - 50° C.

**Line Variation:** <1 x $10^{-10}$ for 10% change from nominal.

**Warm Up:** <5 x $10^{-9}$ of final value 10 minutes after turn-on at 25° C when off-time is <24 hours and the aging rate is <7 x $10^{-10}$ per week prior to turn off.*

## OPTIONAL FREQUENCY EXTENSION, OPTION 026

**Frequency Range** (input 1):
500 MHz - 26.5 GHz .

## OPTIONAL FREQUENCY EXTENSION, OPTION 040

**Frequency Range** (Input 1):
500 MHz - 40 GHz .

Note: Options 006 and 700 are incompatible with Option 040.

## OPTIONAL MATE PROGRAMMING CAPABILITY, OPTION 700

**Built-in CIIL operating codes:**
CIIL Operating Codes: FNC, SET, SRX, SRN, INX, FTH, CLS, OPN, RST, CNF, IST, STA, GAL.

**MATE Interface Standard:**
2806763 Rev. B.

Note: Option 040 and the profile function are incompatible with option 700.

* Final value is the frequency after 24 hours of continuous operation. An indicator (▼) appears in the display until the oven is at operating temperature.

APPENDIX

# B

# INSTALLATION

## APPENDIX GUIDE

This appendix provides you with information for unpacking, inspecting, installing, and storing the HP 5361B Microwave Frequency Pulse Counter. In addition, this appendix describes operator maintenance procedures which must be performed to ensure proper operation of the HP 5361B.

### Where to Find Important Topics


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## INITIAL INSPECTION

If the shipping carton is damaged, inspect the instrument for visible damage (scratches, dents, etc.). If the instrument is damaged, notify the carrier and the nearest Hewlett-Packard Sales and Support office immediately (offices are listed at the back of this manual). Keep the shipping carton and packing material for the carrier's inspection. The Hewlett-Packard office will arrange for repair or replacement of your instrument without waiting for the claim against the carrier to be settled.

## PREPARATION FOR USE

The following paragraphs describe the power requirements, line voltage selection procedure, power cables available, and operating environment for the HP 5361B.

### Power Requirements

The HP 5361B requires a power source of 100 Vac or 115/120 Vac (+5%, –10%) at 47.5 Hz to 440 Hz single phase, or 220 Vac or 230/240 Vac (+5%, –10%) at 47.5 Hz to 66 Hz single phase; 100 VA maximum.

*CAUTION*

***Before connecting the instrument to ac power lines, you must install the correct fuse and properly position the line voltage selector as described below.***

### Line Voltage and Fuse Selection

The HP 5361B is equipped with an ac power module that contains a printed-circuit line voltage selector card. The selector card can be positioned to select 100, 120, 220, or 240 Vac operation. When the card is installed in the module, the selected voltage is indicated by the only visible marking on the card.

You must install the correct value of line fuse (with a 250 V rating) after inserting the circuit card. The HP 5361B uses a 1.00 A time delay fuse (HP Part No. 2110-0007) for 100/120 V operation, or a 0.5 A time delay fuse (HP Part No. 2110-0202) for 220/240 V operation.

To convert from one line voltage to another or to change the fuse:

1. Disconnect the power cord from the power module.
2. Move the sliding window covering the card compartment to expose the circuit card and fuse (see *Figure B-1*).

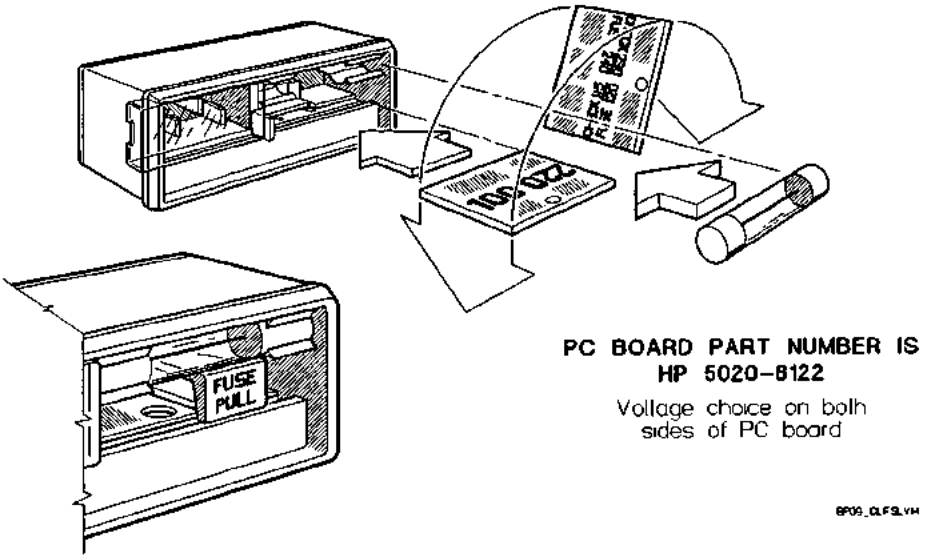



*Figure B-1. Changing the Line Fuse and Selecting the Line Voltage*

3. Pull on the fuse lever to remove the fuse.
4. Pull the card out of the module. You must hold the fuse lever to one side to extract and insert the card.
5. Insert the card so the marking indicating the desired line voltage is visible.
6. Return the fuse lever to normal position.
7. Insert the correct fuse,
8. Slide the plastic window over the compartment and connect the connect the power cable.

The instrument is now ready for operation.

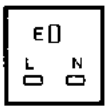
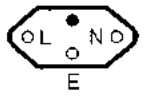
## Power Cable

The HP 5361B is shipped with a three-wire power cable (W1). When the power cable is connected to an appropriate ac power source, it connects the chassis to earth ground. The type of plug at the end of the power cable shipped with the instrument depends on the country of destination. Refer to *Table B-1* for the HP part numbers of the power cable and plug configurations available.

*WARNING*

**BEFORE SWITCHING ON THE INSTRUMENT, BE SURE THAT THE POWER CABLE IS INSERTED ONLY IN A SOCKET OUTLET PROVIDED WITH A PROTECTIVE EARTH CONTACT, AND THAT THE PROTECTIVE EARTH TERMINAL OF THE INSTRUMENT IS CONNECTED TO THE PROTECTIVE CONDUCTOR OF THE POWER CABLE. DO NOT USE A POWER EXTENSION CABLE WITHOUT A PROTECTIVE GROUNDING (EARTHING) CONDUCTOR, AS DOING SO WILL NEGATE THE PROTECTIVE ACTION OF THE POWER CABLE GROUND CONDUCTOR.**

*Table B-1. AC Power Cables Available*

| Plug Type | Cable HP Part No. | *CD | Plug Description | Cable Length (Inches) | Cable Color | For Use In Country |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 250V  | 8120-1351<br>8120-1703 | 0<br>6 | Straight **BS1363A<br>90° | 90<br>90 | Mint Gray<br>Mint Gray | United Kingdom, Cyprus, Nigeria, Rhodesia, Singapore |
| 250V  | 8120-1369<br>8120-0696 | 0<br>4 | Straight **NZSS198/ASC112<br>90° | 79<br>87 | Gray<br>Gray | Australia, New Zealand |
| 250V  | 8120-1689<br>8120-1692 | 7<br>2 | Straight **CEE7-Y11<br>90° | 79<br>79 | Mint Gray<br>Mint Gray | East and West Europe, Egypt, ( Unpolarized in many nations) |
| 125V  | 8120-1348<br>8120-1398<br>8120-1754<br>8120-1378<br>8120-1521<br>8120-1676<br>8120-4753 | 5<br>5<br>7<br>1<br>6<br>2 | Straight **NEMA5-15P<br>90°<br>Straight **NEMA5-15P<br>Straight **NEMA5-15P<br>90°<br>Straight **NEMA5-15P<br>Straight **NEMA5-15P | 80<br>80<br>36<br>80<br>80<br>30<br>90 | Black<br>Black<br>Black<br>Jade Gray<br>Jade Gray<br>Jade Gray<br>Dark Gray | United States, Canada, 100V or 200V, Mexico, Philippines, Taiwan, Saudi Arabia, Japan |
| 250V  | 8120-2104 | 3 | Straight **SEV1011<br>1959-24507<br>Type 12 | 79 | Gray | Switzerland |
| 250V  | 8120-0698 | 6 | Straight **NEMA6-15P | | | United States, Canada |
| 220V  | 8120-2956<br>8120-2957 | 2<br>3 | Straight **DHCK 107<br>90° | 79<br>79 | Gray<br>Gray | Denmark |
| 220V  | 8120-4211<br>8120-4600 | | Straight<br>90° | | Gray<br>Gray | South Africa, India |

*CD = Check Digit (refer to Replaceable Parts in Service Manual).

**Part number shown for plug is industry identifier for plug only. Number shown for cable is HP Part Number for complete cable including plug.

E = Earth Ground L = Line N = Neutral

## Operating Environment

The HP 5361B operates within a temperature range of 0° to +50° C.

## HEWLETT-PACKARD INTERFACE BUS

The HP 5361B can be remotely controlled over the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus (HP-IB). The rear panel HP-IB connector is compatible with HP 10833A/B/C/D cables (Refer to *Figure B-2* for interconnection data concerning the rear panel connector and to *Table B-2* for cable descriptions). The following paragraphs briefly describe the features of the HP-IB system.

## HP-IB Interconnections

The HP-IB system allows you to interconnect up to 15 HP-IB compatible instruments (including the controller). The HP-IB cables have identical piggy-back connectors on both ends so that several cables can be connected to a single source without requiring special adapters or switch boxes. System components and devices can be connected in virtually any configuration desired. There must, of course, be a connection from the controller to every device operating on the bus.

*CAUTION*

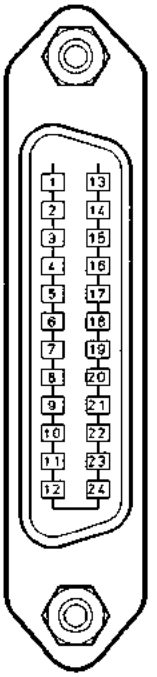
***Avoid stacking more than three or four cables on any one connector. If the stack gets too large, the force on the stack produces leverage that can damage the connector mounting.***

***Be sure each connector is firmly (finger tight) screwed in place to keep it from working loose during use. DO NOT use a screwdriver to tighten the connector lockscrew, as doing so may damage the threads inside the head of the lock-screw.***

*Table B-2. HP-IB Cable Descriptions*

| Model Number | Cable Length |
|---|---|
| 10833A | 1 metre (3.3 ft.) |
| 10833B | 2 metres (6.6 ft.) |
| 10833C | 4 metres (13.2 ft.) |
| 10833D | 0.5 metres (1.6 ft.) |

| PIN | LINE | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | DIO1 | |
| 2 | DIO2 | |
| 3 | DIO3 | |
| 4 | DIO4 | |
| 13 | DIO5 | |
| 14 | DIO6 | |
| 15 | DIO7 | |
| 16 | DIO8 | |
| 5 | EOI | |
| 17 | REN | |
| 6 | DAV | |
| 7 | NRFD | |
| 8 | NDAC | |
| 9 | IFC | |
| 10 | SRQ | |
| 11 | ATN | |
| 12 | SHIELD-CHASSIS GROUND | |
| 18 | P/O TWISTED PAIR WITH PIN 6 | THESE PINS ARE INTERNALLY GROUNDED |
| 19 | P/O TWISTED PAIR WITH PIN 7 | |
| 20 | P/O TWISTED PAIR WITH PIN 8 | |
| 21 | P/O TWISTED PAIR WITH PIN 9 | |
| 22 | P/O TWISTED PAIR WITH PIN 10 | |
| 23 | P/O TWISTED PAIR WITH PIN 11 | |
| 24 | ISOLATED DIGITAL GROUND | |




*CAUTION*

**The 5361B contains metric threaded HP-IB cable mounting studs as opposed to English threads. Metric threaded HP 10833A, B, C, or D HP-IB cable lockscrews must be used to secure the cable to the instrument. Identification of the two types of mounting studs and lockscrews is made by their color. English threaded fasteners are colored silver and metric threaded fasteners are colored black. DO NOT mate silver and black fasteners to each other or the threads of either or both will be destroyed.**

HP-IB MOUNTING STUD
0380-1332



**Logic Levels**

The Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus logic levels are TTL compatible, i.e., the true (1) state is 0.0V dc to +0.8V dc and the false (0) state is +2.0V dc to +5.0V dc.

**Programming and Output Data Format**

Refer to Section IV, Remote Operation Via HP-IB

**Mating Connector**

HP 1251-7162; Amphenol 57-92245.

**Mating Cables Available**

HP 10833A, 1 metre (3.3 ft.), HP 10833B, 2 metres (6.6 ft.)
HP 10833C, 4 metres (13.2 ft.), HP 10833D, 1/2 metre (1.6 ft.)

**Cabling Restrictions**

1. A Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus System may contain no more than 2 metres (6.6 ft.) of connecting cable per instrument.
2. The maximum accumulative length of connecting cable for any Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus System is 20.0 metres (65.6 ft.).
3. The maximum number of instruments in one system is fifteen.

*Figure B-2. Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus Connection*

## Cable Length Restrictions

To obtain maximum performance with the HP-IB, you must obey certain cable length restrictions. These restrictions are necessary to maintain the proper voltage levels and timing relationships. If the system cable is too long, the system will fail to perform properly. Therefore, when interconnecting an HP-IB system, observe the following rules:

a. The total cable length for the system must be less than or equal to 20 metres (65 feet).

b. The total cable length for the system must be less than or equal to 2 metres (6.6 feet) times the total number of devices connected to the bus.

c. The total number of devices connected to the bus must not exceed 15.

## HP-IB Talk/Listen Address

There are two ways to set the HP-IB instrument address for remote operation: setting the rear panel address switch, and front panel keyboard entry. The address setting determines the mode of remote operation as Talk Only (address 31) or Addressable (addresses 1 through 30).

An address entered as numeric data via the front panel keyboard overrides the address setting of the rear panel switch, and is retained by the counter as long as ac power is connected. Instructions for setting the address using either method are given in Section 4. To avoid unintentional HP-IB address change, do not interrupt power up sequence, that is, toggling STBY/ON power switch of the HP 5361B.

## HP-IB Description

Additional information about the design criteria and operation of the Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus is available in Section 4 and IEEE Standard 488-1978, "IEEE Standard Digital Interface for Programmable Instrumentation".

# STORAGE AND SHIPMENT

The following paragraphs describe the conditions under which the HP 5361B can be stored or shipped, and the types of packaging in which the instrument can be shipped.

## Environment

The HP 5361B can be stored or shipped within a temperature range of –40° C to +75° C.

The instrument should be protected from temperature and humidity extremes which cause condensation within the instrument.

## Packaging

The following procedure describes how to repack the instrument using commercially available material; however, containers and materials identical to those used in the factory packaging are available through Hewlett-Packard offices.

1. Wrap the instrument in materials that do not generate static or are anti-static.
2. If shipping the instrument to a Hewlett-Packard office or service center, attach a tag indicating the type of service required, return address, model number, and full serial number.
3. Use a strong shipping container. A double-walled carton made of 350-pound test material is adequate.
4. Use a layer of shock-absorbing material 70 to 100 mm (3 to 4 inches) thick around the sides of the instrument to provide firm cushioning and prevent movement inside the container. Protect the front panel with cardboard.
5. Seal the shipping container securely.
6. Mark the shipping container FRAGILE to ensure careful handling.
7. If you need to call or write to Hewlett-Packard concerning the instrument shipment be sure to include both the product model number and full serial number.

## OPERATOR'S MAINTENANCE

The only maintenance normally required is replaement, when necessary, of two fuses: the primary power fuse (F1) located within the ac power module on the rear panel, and the low frequency input fuse (J2F1) located in the front panel INPUT 2 connector. Instructions for changing the primary power fuse are given on page B-2, Line Voltage and Fuse Selection.

*CAUTION*

***Be sure that only time delay (slow-blow) type fuses with the required voltage and current ratings are used for replacement of the primary power fuse. Do not use repaired fuses or short-circuited fuseholders.***

The low frequency input fuse (J2F1) is a 1/8 A fuse (HP Part No. 2110-0301) located within the INPUT 2 BNC connector J2 (HP Part No. 1250-1899), as shown in *Figure B-3.*

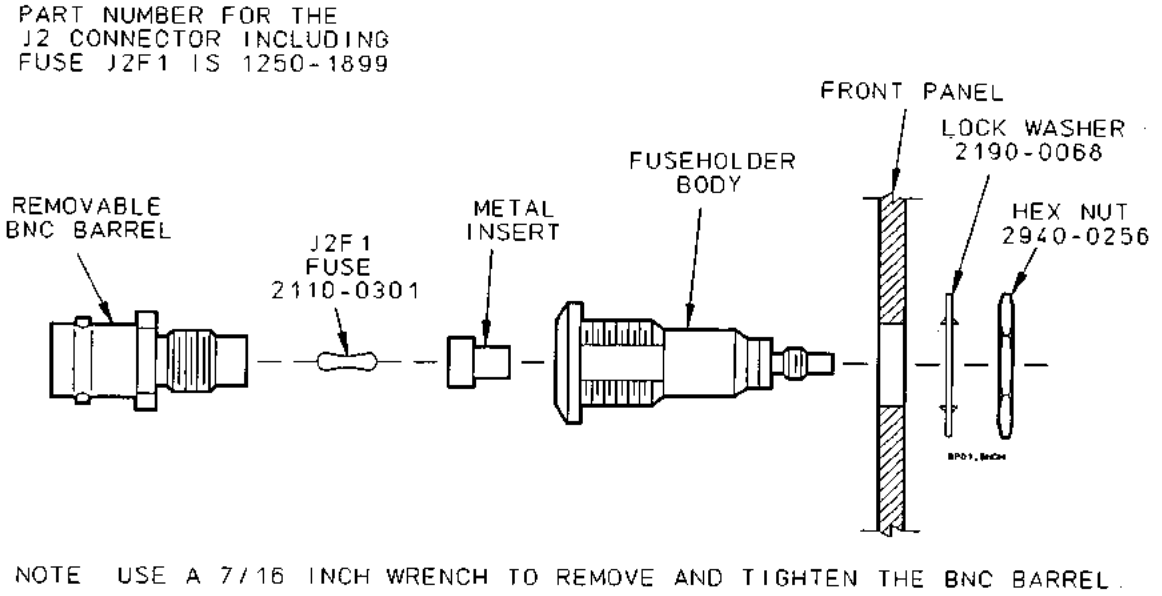



*Figure B-3. Details of INPUT 2 Connector and Low Frequency Input Fuse*

To replace the low frequency input fuse:

1. Disconnect the power cord.
2. Unscrew the BNC barrel.
3. Remove the fuse using needle-nose pliers.
4. Install the replacement fuse using the needle-nose pliers.
5. Reinstall the BNC barrel, being careful that the fuse wire is aligned to fit into the center conductor of the barrel; if not properly aligned, the fuse will be crushed inside the fuseholder body.
6. Tighten the BNC barrel with a 7/16 inch wrench to 20 inch-pounds.

## FIELD INSTALLATION OF OPTIONS

The following paragraphs describe the installation procedures for all field-installable options for the HP 5361B. To obtain the necessary parts for installation of an option, order the parts for the desired option listed in *Table B-3*. Refer to the HP 5361B Service Manual for ordering information.

After field installation of an option, you should update the rear panel OPTIONS label to identify the option that has been installed. To update the label, fill in the small circle next to the appropriate option name with a marking pen.

*WARNING*

**TO PREVENT ELECTRIC SHOCK, BE SURE TO DISCONNECT AC POWER TO THE INSTRUMENT BEFORE INSTALLING ANY OPTIONS. CAPACITORS INSIDE THE INSTRUMENT MAY STILL CONTAIN A CHARGE AFTER AC POWER HAS BEEN REMOVED. ALL OPTIONS SHOULD BE INSTALLED ONLY BY QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL WHO ARE AWARE OF THE HAZARDS INVOLVED.**

*CAUTION*

***Integrated circuit assemblies in the instrument can be damaged by electrostatic discharge (ESD). Use the following precautions:***

***ENSURE that all option installations are performed at a static-safe work station.***

***DO NOT wear clothing subject to static charge, such as wool or synthetic material.***

*Table B-3. Field Installable Options*

| Option | Part Description | Ref. Desig. | Part Number |
|---|---|---|---|
| 001 | Oven Oscillator Timebase | A10 | 10811-60111 |
| | 2 Mounting Screws | A10H1 | 2360-0115 |
| 006 | Limiter Option Cable | W10 | 05350-60111 |
| | Limiter | AT1 | 5088-7049 |
| 010 | High Stability Timebase | A10 | 10811-60211 |
| | 2 Mounting Screws | A10H1 | 2360-0115 |

## Installation of Option 001 or Option 010 Time Base

The Option 001 Oven Oscillator Time Base and Option 010 High Stability Oscillator Time Base are installed exactly the same way. Each option consists of an oven controlled crystal oscillator time base (HP Part No. 10811-60111 for Option 001, 10811-60211 for Option 010). Either option is installed in the XA10 connector on the motherboard, replacing the standard A10 oscillator. To install Option 001 or 010, proceed as follows:

1. Disconnect ac power from the instrument.
2. Remove top and bottom covers from the instrument.
3. Remove the standard timebase oscillator (A8Y1).
4. Install the Option 001 or 010 (A10) oscillator into the XA10 connector.

5. Secure the oscillator to the motherboard from underneath with the two mounting screws provided with the option kit (A10H1).

6. Replace bottom cover of the instrument.

7. Perform the Option 001/010 oscillator adjustment described in Section 1, Adjustments of the HP 5361B Service Manual.

8. Replace top cover of the instrument.

## Installation of Option 006 Limiter

Option 006 consists of a microwave limiter (HP Part No. 5088-7049) inserted in series between the INPUT 1 connector on the front panel and the input to the Microwave Module (U1J1). The following procedure describes only those steps pertaining to Option 006 installation; refer to Section 3 of the HP 5361B Service Manual for overall instrument disassembly procedures.

To install Option 006, proceed as follows:

1. Disconnect ac power from the instrument.

2. Remove the top cover.

3. Remove the front panel assembly, with the attached Microwave Module, from the front frame of the instrument. (Refer to the disassembly procedures in Section 3 of the Service manual).

4. Unscrew the knurled nut (H12) from the INPUT 1 type-N connector on the High Frequency Input Cable (W6), and separate the Microwave Module from the front panel assembly.

5. Disconnect the W6 input cable from the Microwave Module, using a 5/16 inch wrench. Set the W6 cable aside, as it is not used for Option 006 installation.

6. Insert the type-N connector on the Option 006 Input Cable (W10) into the rectangular hole in the mounting bracket of the Microwave Module.

7. Connect the Microwave Limiter (AT1) to the SMA connector of the W10 cable. DO NOT TIGHTEN the connection all the way. Connect the other end of the Limiter to the U1J1 connector of the Microwave Module.

*NOTE*

*The limiter may be installed pointing in either direction.*

8. Carefully tighten the SMA connections at both ends of the Limiter, using a 5/16-inch wrench. DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN the SMA connections.

9. Insert the Microwave Module back into the front panel assembly, and reinstall the front panel assembly into the instrument frame. (Refer to reassembly procedures in Section 3 of the Service Manual).

10. Screw the H12 knurled nut onto the INPUT 1 connector, and carefully tighten it with a 3/4-inch knurled nut driver.

11. Replace the top cover.

12. Perform the tests described in Appendix C, Performance Tests to verify that the instrument meets the Option 006 specifications in *Table A-1*.

APPENDIX

C

# PERFORMANCE TESTS

## APPENDIX GUIDE

This section provides you with procedures for testing the electrical performance of the HP 5361B Microwave Frequency Pulse Counter, by using the specifications listed in Appendix A as performance standards. Three kinds of testing are described: operation verification, HP-IB verification, and complete performance testing.

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## OPERATION VERIFICATION

If you suspect the HP 5361B is not working correctly, you may perform the operation verification procedure. This procedure is an abbreviated set of tests that give a high degree of confidence the instrument is operating properly without performing the complete Performance Test. An Operation Verification would be useful for incoming inspection, routine maintenance, and after instrument repair.

## HP-IB VERIFICATION

The HP-IB verification program, allows you to exercise the instrument through most of its command set via the HP-IB interface. The program is written for a Series 300 HP 9000 as the controller. If the instrument successfully completes all phases of the verification program, there is a very high probability the HP-IB interface and the counter are working properly. The HP-IB program is available on a disk, HP Part No. 05361-13501 (3 1/2" media) and 05361-13052 (5 1/4" media).

## COMPLETE PERFORMANCE TESTING

The complete Performance Test procedures begin immediately following the HP-IB verification subsection. All tests can be performed without access to the inside of the instrument.

## EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

The equipment required for all test procedures in this section is listed in *Table C-1* below. Any equipment that satisfies the required characteristics given in the table may be substituted for the recommended models.

*Table C-1. Recommended Test Equipment*

| INSTRUMENT | REQUIRED CHARACTERISTICS | USE* | RECOMMENDED MODEL |
|---|---|---|---|
| Oscilloscope | 275 MHz bandwidth, delayed sweep | T,A,P | HP 54201A or equivalent |
| Oscilloscope probe | High impedance (10:1), minimal capacitance (8-10pf) | T,A | HP 10433A or equivalent |
| Active probe | ≥350 MHz 100:1 divide capability | T | HP 1124A or equivalent |
| High Impedance Oscilloscope probe | 10MΩ or greater | T | HP 10432A or equivalent |
| Storage Oscilloscope | 100 MHz bandwidth storage capability | T | HP 54201A or equivalent |
| Sweep Oscillator | .01-20 GHz FM modulation - 20 MHz | P | HP 8620C mainframe/ HP 86222A/B plug-in or equivalent |
| Synthesized Signal Generator | 10 MHz to 2.5 GHz | T,A | HP 8660D mainframe/ HP 86603A plug-in |
| Synthesized Sweeper | 10 MHz to 26.5 GHz | A,P | HP 8340B or equivalent |
| Synthesizer | 10 Hz to 10 MHz | OV,P | HP 3325B or equivalent |
| Spectrum Analyzer | RF inputs from 1 MHz to 500 MHz | T,P,A | HP 8566B or equivalent |
| Digital Voltmeter | 4½ digit | T,A | HP 3466A |
| Power Sensor | 50 MHz to 20 GHz | A,OV,P | HP 8485A |
| Power Meter | 50 MHz to 20 GHz | A,OV,P | HP 436A |
| Power Splitter | DC to 26.5 GHz | OV,P | HP 11667B |
| 50 Ω Feedthrough | BNC male to BNC female | OV,P | HP 10100C |
| Fixed Attenuator | 10 dB ±1dB | P | HP 8493C |
| Fixed Attenuator | 20 dB Attenuation | A | HP 8491A Option 20 |
| Pulse Generator | 1 to 20 μs pulse width 1 to 20 μs PRI | OV,P | HP 8012B or equivalent |
| Time Synthesizer | 1 to 20 μs pulse width 1 to 20 μs PRI | OV,P | HP 5359A or equivalent |
| Instrument Controller | BASIC 5.0 Control Language, HP-IB Interface Capability | OV | HP 9000 Series 300 (or equivalent) |

* T = Troubleshooting OV = Operation Verification
A = Adjustments P = Full Performance Testing

## CALIBRATION CYCLE

The HP 5361B requires periodic verification of correct operation. You should use the operation verification procedure at least once every year, depending on environment and use. A full calibration procedure, including adjustments and a full performance test, should be performed at least once every 6 months for instruments equipped with the standard TCXO timebase, at least once a year for instruments equipped with the Option 001 Oven Oscillator Timebase, and once every 5 years for instruments equipped with the Option 010 High Stability Timebase. When you use these calibration cycles, kHz accuracy of the HP 5361B is ensured.

### Test Specifications with Option 006

All test and verification procedures described in this section are intended for testing of the standard HP 5361B. If Option 006 (Limiter) is installed the sensitivity specifications of the counter will be different from the standard instrument. If your HP 5361B is so equipped, use the same procedures as for the standard instrument, but observe the option specifications listed in Appendix A, *Table A-1* as performance standards.

*NOTE*

*The following operation verification and performance test procedures require measurement of the actual input sensitivity of the 5361B. The actual sensitivity MUST be measured as follows:*

*1. Before measuring, be sure to calibrate the power meter according to the frequency calibration data provided on the power sensor to be used in the test.*

*2. To measure actual sensitivity, decrease the input level to the counter until it stops counting, then slowly increase the input level until the counter measures the input properly (as defined by the particular procedure being performed).*

## OPERATION VERIFICATION PROCEDURE

### Power-Up Self Check

1. Before connecting the power cord and switching on the instrument, be sure that the line voltage selector is properly set, the correct fuse is installed, and all safety precautions have been observed.

2. Set the POWER switch to the ON position and verify the Power-up Self Check routine, as follows:

   a. Immediately after switching the power on, the counter performs a starburst display test in which all segments of the liquid crystal display are turned on.

The display should remain in this state for about three seconds. Check that no segments are missing.

b. If any of the internal tests fail, the results of the first test failing will be displayed after the display test and EFUN 54 display. Pressing the RESET/LOCAL key will display the next test, if any, failing. When all failing tests have been displayed, the HP-IB address will be displayed for about two seconds. If all tests pass, the HP-IB address will be displayed immediately after the display test.

c. After the HP-IB address is displayed, the counter should go into the measurement mode last selected (if the counter had previously been left in Standby), or into the Auto mode with defaults set as described in Section 2 (if AC power had previously been disconnected from the counter).

d. If a FAIL message is displayed during the Power-Up Self-Test, refer to troubleshooting procedures in Section 5, Service, for information about specific diagnostic failures.

3. Enter results of the Power-Up Self-Test on the Operation Verification Record (*Table C-3*).

## INPUT 2, CW Counting Check

1. Set the counter to the Input 2, 50 Ω impedance mode by pressing the 50 Ω key.

2. Connect the rear panel 10MHZ OUT BNC to the front panel INPUT 2. Verify that the instrument displays: 10 000 000 (±1 Hz).

3. Enter results on the Operation Verification Record.

## INPUT 2, 10 Hz - 525 MHz CW Input Sensitivity Test

The following test is in two parts, Setup 1 for 50 MHz to 525 MHz, and Setup 2 for 10 Hz to 20 MHz.

**Specification:** 50 Ω: 10 MHz - 525 MHz, 25 mV rms
1 M Ω: 10 Hz - 80 MHz, 25 mV rms

**Description:** The counter is set to the 10 MHz - 525 MHz range, 50 Ω impedance, and a 25 mV rms (–19.3 dBm) signal is applied to Input 2 as shown in *Figure C-1*. The test generator is set to selected frequencies and the 5361B is checked for proper

counting. The counter is next set for 1MΩ impedance, a 25 mV rms (–19.3 dBm) 80 MHz signal is applied to INPUT 2 through a 50 Ω feedthrough, and the counter is checked for proper counting. The test setup is changed to Setup 2 to test the 10 Hz - 20 MHz range as shown in *Figure* C- 2.

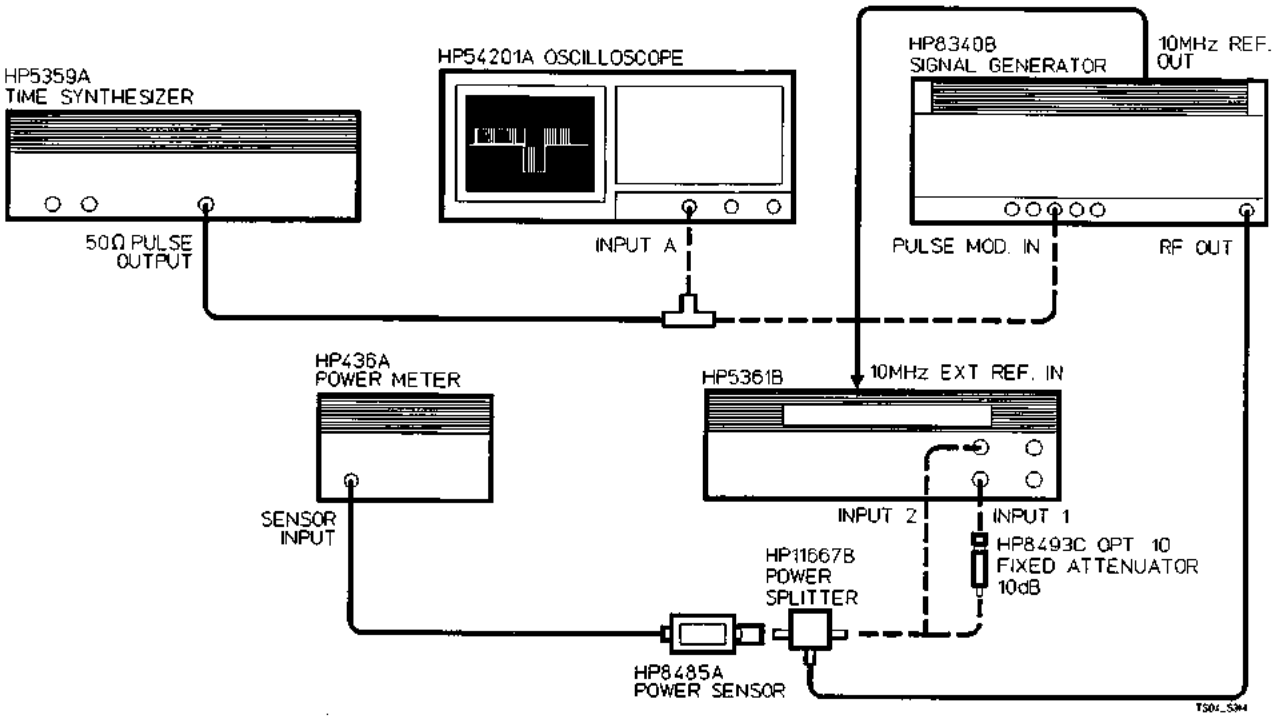



*Figure C-1. Setup 1: CW/Pulse, 10 MHz - 26.5 MHz*

1. Set the counter to the 10 MHz - 525 MHz range, 50 Ω impedance, by pressing the 50 Ω key.

2. Set the 8340B to 50 MHz and an output level of 25 mV rms (–19.3 dBm) as measured on the 436A Power Meter. Measure actual sensitivity and verify that the 5361B counts properly at 50 MHz, 100 MHz, 250 MHz, and 525 MHz. Enter the results in the Operation Verification Record (*Table* C-2).

3. Insert a 50 Ω feedthrough between the 11667B power splitter and INPUT 2 of the counter. Press the 1M Ω key on the counter to select the 1M Ω impedance, 10 Hz - 80 MHz input.

4. Set the 8340B to 80 MHz and a level of 25 mV rms (–19.3 dBm) as measured on the 436A Power Meter.

5. Verify that the 5361B counts properly at 80 MHz at 25 mV rms, and enter the result in the Operation Verification Record.

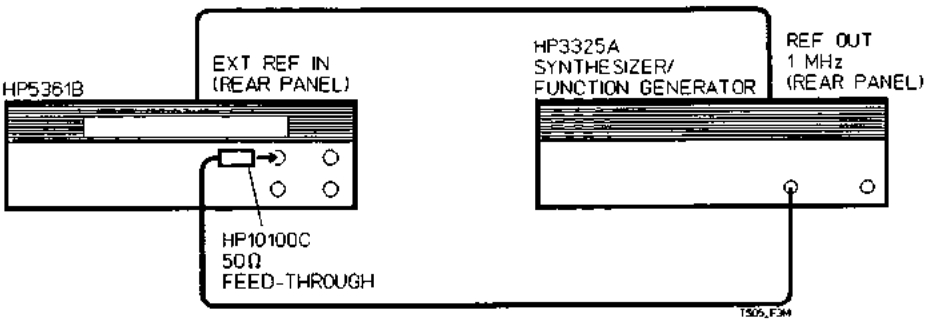



*Figure C-2. Setup 2: INPUT 2, 10 Hz - 20 MHz*

6. 5361B settings are the same as in the 80 MHz test (INPUT 2, 1M Ω).

7. Connect the 3325A to INPUT 2 of the counter via a 50 Ω feedthrough. Set the 3325A for an output of 25 mV rms (–19.3 dBm) at 10 Hz.

8. Verify that the counter counts properly at 10 Hz, 50 kHz, 1 MHz, 10 MHz, and 20 MHz. Enter results in the Operation Verification Record.

## INPUT 1, 500 MHz - MAX GHz CW Input Sensitivity Test

The following procedure checks the input sensitivity of input 1 for CW signals.

**Specifications:** Refer to *Table C-3*, Operation Verification Record, on page C-15 for CW input sensitivity specifications.

**Description:** The counter is set to the 500 MHz - MAX GHz range and the appropriate input signal is applied to INPUT 1 as shown in *Figure C-1*. The generator is set to various frequencies/levels and the actual sensitivity of the HP 5361B is then measured.

1. Set the counter to INPUT 1, Automatic mode by pressing the AUTO key.

2. Connect the equipment as shown in *Figure C-1* (INPUT 1 path). Do not install the 10 dB attenuator pad for CW measurement.

3. Set the 8340B to 500 MHz, –28 dBm (–20 dBm for Opt. 026/040), as measured on the 436A.

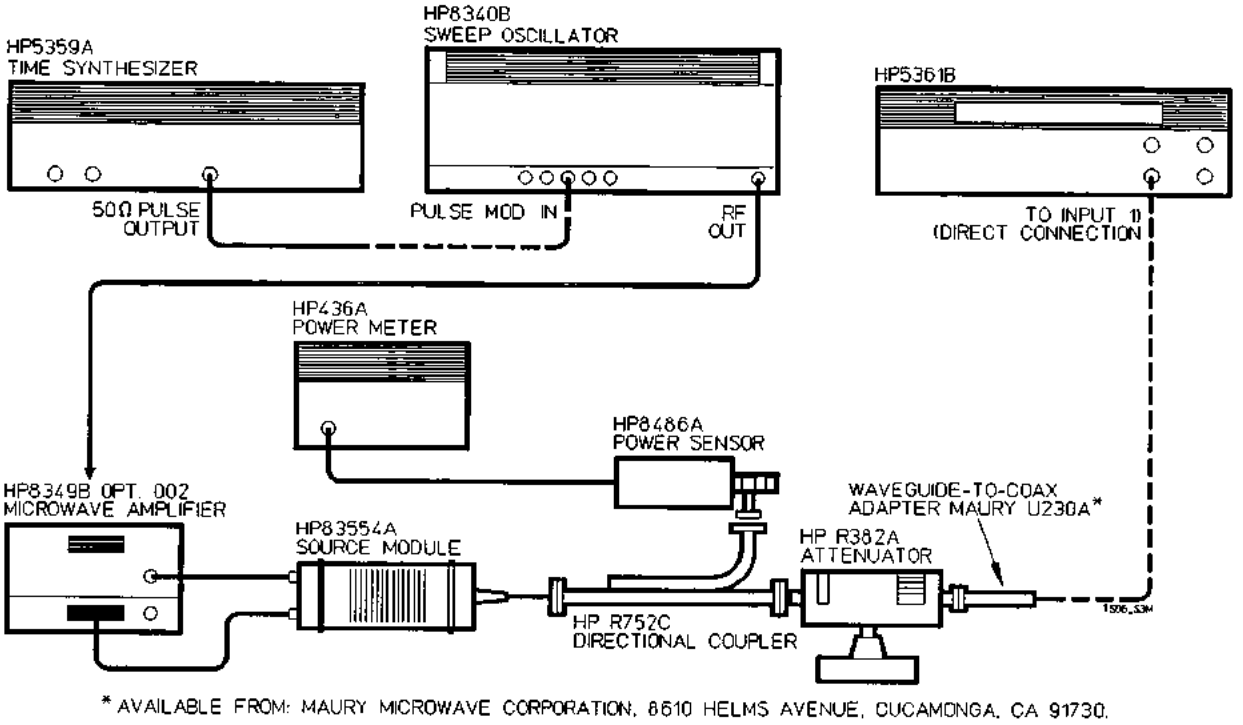



*Figure C-3. Setup 3: CW/Pulse 26.5 MHz - 40 GHz*

4. Measure the actual sensitivity at 500 MHz, 1 GHz, 5 GHz, and 12.4 GHz. (Verify the signal level with the 436A Power Meter at each of these frequencies.) Enter the actual sensitivity result in the Operation Verification Record.

5. Set the 8340B to 18 GHz, –23 dBm (–20 dBm for Opt. 026/040), as measured on the 436A.

6. Measure the actual sensitivity at 18 GHz and 20 GHz. (Verify the signal level with the 436A Power Meter at each of these frequencies.) Enter the actual sensitivity result in the Operation Verification Record.

7. If the counter under test has option 026/040 installed, measure the actual sensitivity at 22 GHz and 26.5 GHz. (Verify the signal level with the 436A Power meter at each of these frequencies.) Enter the actual sensitivity results in the Operation Verification Record.

8. If the counter under test has option 040 installed, continue with the following test steps and refer to *Figure C-3*. Connect the equipment as shown in *Figure C-3*. For CW mesurements DO NOT pulse-modulate the 8340B with the HP 5359A.

9. Set the 5361B to INPUT 1, Automatic mode by pressing the AUTO key.

10. Measure the actual sensitivity at 30 GHz, 34 GHz, and 40 GHz as follows:

    a. Set the 8340B to 15 GHz, and set the level for +17 dBm output from the 8349B Amplifier (as indicated on the 8349B front panel display).

    b. Add attenuation by adjusting the R382A Precision Attenuator until the counter stops measuring, then decrease attenuation until the counter begins correct measurement.

    c. Note the doubled frequency (30 GHz) power reading on the 436A, add +10 dB to the reading, and subtract the value of the R382A attenuator setting to obtain the sensitivity level of the counter.

    d. Repeat the above steps at 34 GHz and 40 GHz (17 and 20 GHz input to the source module, respectivly).

11. Enter the actual sensitivity result in the Operation Verification Record.

## INPUT 1, 500 MHz - MAX GHz Pulse Input Sensitivity Test

Peak pulse power cannot be directly read from a power meter. Therefore, the following pulsed RF amplitude power relationship is presented as an example of how to interpret pulsed RF power readings. Refer to *Figure C-4* for amplitude/time waveform relationship.

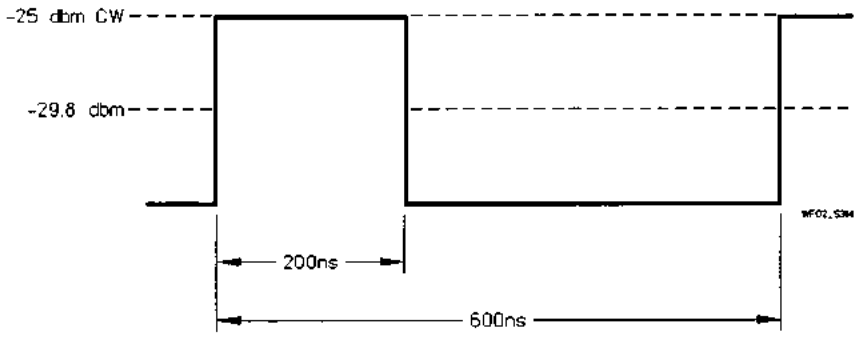



*Figure C-4. Pulsed RF Amplitude/Time Relationship*

For pulsed RF signals having the same peak power level as an equivalent CW signal, a power meter will average the pulse power level and display a lower reading. This must be taken into account to arrive at the required peak pulse power when setting up the source power level. The relationship is as follows:

$$\text{Power Meter Reading} = \text{Required Input Power} + 10 \log \frac{\text{Pulse Width}}{\text{Pulse Repetition Interval}}$$

The example in *Figure C-4* works out as follows:

$$\text{Power meter reading} = -25\ \text{dBm} + 10 \log \frac{200}{600}$$

$$= -25\ \text{dBm} + (-4.8\ \text{dBm})$$

$$= -29.8\ \text{dBm}$$

–29.8 dBm is what the power meter will read if the above signal conditions are used.

**INPUT 1 PULSED RF SENSITIVITY TEST (500 MHz - MAX GHz)**

The following specifications, setup illustration, and test steps describe the INPUT 1 pulsed RF sensitivity for the HP 5361B within 500 MHz - MAX GHz frequency range. *Figure C-1* shows the test setup.

**Specifications:** Refer to *Table C-3*, Operation Verification Record, on page C-16 for pulse input sensitivity specifications.

1. Connect the 5359A output to the 8340B Pulse Modulation input.
2. Set the HP 5359A for a pulse width of 200 ns and a pulse period of 600 ns. Set the polarity to norm. and pos.; amplitude to midrange, and offset to off.
3. View the pulse on the oscilloscope to make final adjustment. The waveform time relationships should match those shown in *Figure C-4* with pulse amplitude at 2.0V nominal.
4. Set the HP 436A Power Meter for auto range (Range Hold button OUT and dBm Mode).
5. Set the HP 8340B Synthesizer to 500 MHz and output power level for a reading of –22.8 dBm (–14.8 dBm for Opt. 026/040) on the 436A power meter, remember that:

$$\text{Power meter reading} = -28\ \text{dBm} + 10 \log \frac{200}{600} + 10\ \text{dB}$$

$$= -28\ \text{dBm} + (-4.8\ \text{dBm}) + 10\ \text{dB}$$

$$= -22.8\ \text{dBm}$$

6. Power-up the HP 5361B counter and observe automatic selection/display of pulse mode and measurement.

7. Verify that the HP 5361B counts correctly at 500 MHz, 1 GHz, 5 GHz, and 12.4 GHz.

*NOTE*

*The count accuracy of the HP 5361B is shown in Graphs 2 and 3, Resolution and Gate Error, of the Appendix A Specifications for a 200 ns pulse when the counter is phase-locked to a house standard.*

8. Change the power level from –22.8 dBm to –17.8 dBm (–14.8 dBm for Opt. 026/040) and verify that the HP 5361B counts correctly at 18 GHz and 20 GHz.

9. Enter the actual sensitivity results in the Operation and Verification Record.

10. If the counter under test has option 026/040 installed, measure the actual sensitivity at 22 GHz and 26.5 GHz and change the power level to –14.8 dBm as measured with the 436A power meter.

11. Enter the actual sensitivity result in the Operation Verification Record.

12. If the counter under test has option 040 installed, refer to *Figure* C-3 for the test setup.

13. Pulse modulate the 8340B with the output of the 5359A for a pulse width of 200 ns and a pulse period of 600 ns.

14. Set the polarity to NORM. and POS.; pulse amplitude to 2V and offset to OFF.

15. View the pulse on an oscilloscope to make final adjustment. The waveform time relationship should match that shown in *Figure* C-4 with a pulse amplitude of 2V.

16. Set the counter to INPUT 1, Automatic mode by pressing the AUTO key.

17. Measure the actual sensitivity at 30 GHz, 34 GHz, and 40 GHz as follows:

    a. Set the 8340B to 15 GHz, and set the level for a +17 dBm output from the 8349B amplifier (as indicated on the 8349B front panel display).

    b. Add attenuation by adjusting the R382A Precision Attenuator until the counter stops measuring, then decrease attenuation until the counter begins correct measurement.

    c. Note the doubled frequency (30 GHz) power reading on the 436A, add +10 dB to the reading, and subtract the value of the R382A attenuator setting to obtain the sensitivity level of the counter.

d. Repeat the above steps at 34 GHz and 40 GHz (17 and 20 GHz input to the source module, respectively).

18. Enter the actual sensitivity result in the Operation Verification Record.

## HP-IB VERIFICATION

The program listed at the end of this appendix exercises the HP 5361B through various operating modes via the counter's HP-IB interface. If the counter successfully completes all phases of the verification program, there is a high probability that the HP-IB interface (A11 Assembly) is operating correctly. You'll need to pass all check points of the verification program. Refer to the *Figure C-5*.

This program is not intended to be an automated test system for operation verification of the entire counter, but rather an aid to verify that the HP-IB interface is handshaking properly, sending valid data to the controller, and controlling the counter properly. If the HP 5361B does not respond as described, refer to A11 HP-IB Interface Assembly troubleshooting in Section 5 of the Service manual.

To perform the verification, set up the HP 5361B, HP 9000 Series 200/300 Controller, and signal source as shown in *Figure C-5*. The program will function with any valid HP-IB address set for the counter. The first setup is for CW signal verification only and is used for program check points 12, 13, 14, and 15. The second setup is a minor variation of the CW setup that verifies pulse signal operation for program check point 16.

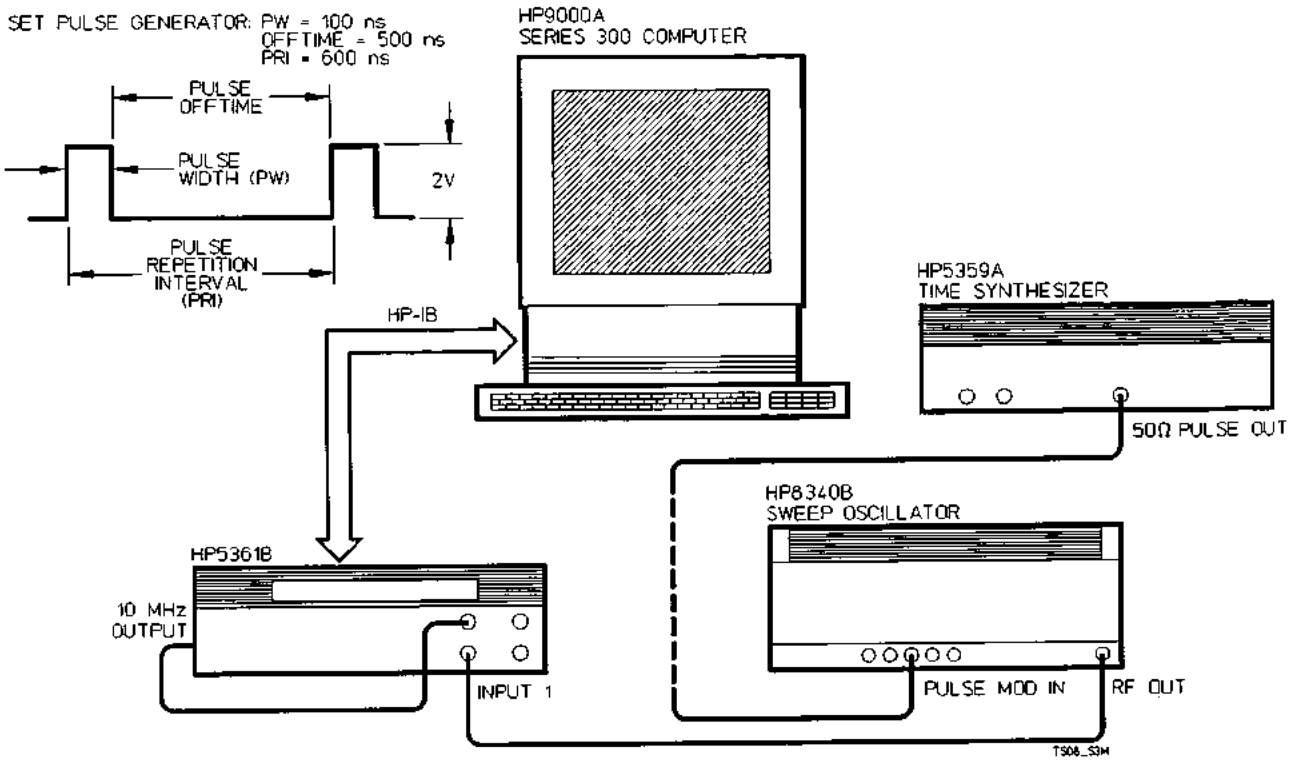



*Figure C-5. Setup: HP-IB Verification, CW/Pulse*

1. HP-IB CW verification prodedure.

   a. Set the HP 8340B sweep oscillator for 1 GHz at 0 dBm.

   b. (Do not pulse modulate the HP 8340B at this time.)

   c. Begin program execution, enter "5361AB", and press RUN.

2. HP-IB Pulse verification procedure.

   a. Set the HP 8340B sweep oscillator for 1 GHz at 0 dBm.

   b. Set the HP 5359A for a pulse width of 100 ns and a pulse period of 600 ns. Set the polarity to norm. and pos.; amplitude to midrange, and offset to off.

   c. Observe the pulse signal on the oscilloscope using a 50 Ω termination for final adjustment. The waveform should conform to the one defined in *Figure C-5*.

   d. When the pulse is correctly set, continue the program to check point 16.

   e. The program is listed at the end of this appendix may be keyed into the Controller, or may be loaded from an HP-IB Verification Diskette, HP P/N 05361-13502 (5 1/4" media) and 05361-13501 (3 1/2" media). To run the

program on the disk, insert the diskette into the Controller, load the program "5361AB", and press RUN.

The program goes through 17 checkpoints, including a test to verify remote response at all legal addresses (Checkpoint 17). At the conclusion of each checkpoint, the operator is requested to enter the results of the current checkpoint. These results are stored and can be printed upon completion of the program. *Table C-2* is a sample of the results of the HP-IB Verification program. The actual printed results should be attached to the Operation Verification Record (*Table C-3*).

Various checkpoints throughout the program ask the operator to verify that the counter's OPEN annunciator is on, as well as other annunciators. Note that if a signal is present at the appropriate input, the OPEN annunciator should be flashing at a rate proportional to the sample rate.

*Table C-2. Sample HP-IB Verification Listing*

| CHECKPOINT SUMMARY: | | HP-IB VERIFICATION RESULTS: | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Remote, Local Lockout, Local | CHECKPOINT | RESULTS |
| 2 | Self Check ('TEST?') | 1 | PASS |
| 3 | 'DISPLAY' | 2 | PASS |
| 4 | 'INIT' & 'RESET' | 3 | PASS |
| 5 | 'REF' & 'OVEN' | 4 | PASS |
| 6 | 'ERR?' | 5 | PASS |
| 7 | 'SET' & 'SET?' | 6 | PASS |
| 8 | 'LOWZ' & 'HIGHZ' | 7 | NOT PERFORMED |
| 9 | 'SAMPLE' & 'TRIGGER' | 8 | PASS |
| 10 | 'RESOL' & 'HIRESOL' | 9 | PASS |
| 11 | 'OFFSET', 'SCALE' & 'SMOOTH' | 10 | PASS |
| 12 | 'AUTO' & 'MANUAL' | 11 | PASS |
| 13 | 'FMRATE' | 12 | PASS |
| 14 | 'SRQMASK' | 13 | PASS |
| 15 | 'DUMP' | 14 | PASS |
| 16 | 'PULSE MEASUREMENT' | 15 | PASS |
| 17 | CHECK ALL ADDRESSES | 16 | NOT PERFORMED |
| | | 17 | PASS |

*Table C-3. Operation Verification Record*

**Hewlett-Packard Model 5361B**
**Pulse/CW Microwave Counter**

Repair/Work Order No. _____

Serial Number: _____ Temperature: _____

Test Performed By: _____ Relative Humidity: _____

Date: _____ Post Calibration Test: ☐

Notes: _____ Pre Calibration Test: ☐

| TEST | TEST RESULTS | SPECIFICATION | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Power-Up Self Test** | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |
| **INPUT 2, Counting Check** | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |
| **INPUT 2, 10 Hz-525 MHz Input Sensitivity Test (50 Ω/1M Ω):** | (record actual sensitivity) | | | |
| 50 Ω: 50 MHz | _____ | 25 mV rms (–19.3 dBm) | | |
| 100 MHz | _____ | | | |
| 250 MHz | _____ | | | |
| 525 MHz | _____ | | | |
| 1M Ω: 10 Hz | _____ | | | |
| 50 kHz | _____ | | | |
| 1 MHz | _____ | | | |
| 10 MHz | _____ | | | |
| 20 MHz | _____ | | | |
| 80 MHz | _____ | | | |
| **INPUT 1, 500 MHz - MAX GHz CW Input Sensitivity Test:** | | **20 GHz** | **26.5 GHz (Opt. 026)** | **40 GHz (Opt. 040)** |
| 500 MHz | _____ | –28 dBm | –20 dBm | –20 dBm |
| 1 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 5 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 12.4 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 18 GHz | _____ | –23 dBm | | |
| 20 GHz | _____ | –23 dBm | | |
| 22 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 26.5 GHz | _____ | | –20 dBm | –20 dBm |
| 30 GHz | _____ | N/A | | –18.7 dBm |
| 34 GHz | _____ | | | –17.2 dBm |
| 40 GHz | _____ | | | –15 dBm |
| **HP-IB Verification** | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |

*Table C-3. Operation Verification Record (Continued)*

**Hewlett-Packard Model 5361B**
**Pulse/CW Microwave Counter**

| TEST | TEST RESULTS | SPECIFICATION | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **INPUT 1, 500 MHz - MAX GHz**<br>**Pulse Input Sensitivity Test:** | | 20 GHz | 26.5 GHz (Opt. 026) | 40 GHz (Opt. 040) |
| 500 MHz | _____ | –28 dBm | –20 dBm | –20 dBm |
| 1 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 5 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 12.4 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 18 GHz | _____ | –23 dBm | | |
| 20 GHz | _____ | –23 dBm | | |
| 22 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 26.5 GHz | _____ | | –20 dBm | –20 dBm |
| 30 GHz | _____ | N/A | | –18.7 dBm |
| 34 GHz | _____ | | | –17.2 dBm |
| 40 GHz | _____ | | | –15 dBm |

*Table C-4. Performance Test Record (Page 1 of 2)*

**Hewlett-Packard Model 5361B**
**Pulse/CW Microwave Counter**

Repair/Work Order No. _____

Serial Number: _____ Temperature: _____

Test Performed By: _____ Relative Humidity: _____

Date: _____ Post Calibration Test: ☐

Notes: _____ Pre Calibration Test: ☐

| TEST | TEST RESULTS | SPECIFICATION | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **INPUT 2, 10 MHz-525 MHz**<br>**Input Sensitivity (50 Ω):** | | | | |
| 50 MHz | _____ | 25 mV rms<br>(–19.3 dBm) | | |
| 100 MHz | _____ | | | |
| 200 MHz | _____ | | | |
| 400 MHz | _____ | | | |
| **INPUT 2, 10 Hz-80 MHz**<br>**Input Sensitivity (1M Ω):** | | | | |
| 10 Hz | _____ | 25 mV rms<br>(–19.3 dBm) | | |
| 1 kHz | _____ | | | |
| 500 kHz | _____ | | | |
| 1 MHz | _____ | | | |
| 10 MHz | _____ | | | |
| 50 MHz | _____ | | | |
| 80 MHz | _____ | | | |
| **INPUT 1, 500 MHz - MAX GHz**<br>**CW Input Sensitivity:** | | **20 GHz** | **26.5 GHz (Opt. 026)** | **40 GHz (Opt. 040)** |
| 500 MHz | _____ | –28 dBm | –20 dBm | –20 dBm |
| 1 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 2.5 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 5 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 10 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 12.4 GHz | _____ | –23 dBm | | |
| 16 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 18 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 19 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 20 GHz | _____ | –23 dBm | | |
| 22 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 24 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 26.5 GHz | _____ | | –20 dBm | –20 dBm |
| 30 GHz | _____ | N/A | | –18.7 dBm |
| 34 GHz | _____ | | | –17.2 dBm |
| 40 GHz | _____ | | | –15 dBm |

*Table C-4. Performance Test Record (Page 2 of 2)*

**Hewlett-Packard Model 5361B**
**Pulse/CW Microwave Counter**

| TEST | TEST RESULTS | SPECIFICATION | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | 20 GHz | 26.5 GHz (Opt. 026) | 40 GHz (Opt. 040) |
| **INPUT 1, 500MHz - MAX GHz Pulse Input Sensitivity Test:** | | | | |
| 500 MHz | _____ | -28 dBm | -20 dBm | -20 dBm |
| 1 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 2.5 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 5 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 10 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 12.4 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 16 GHz | _____ | -23 dBm | | |
| 18 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 19 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 20 GHz | _____ | -23 dBm | | |
| 22 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 24 GHz | _____ | | | |
| 26.5 GHz | _____ | | -20 dBm | -20 dBm |
| 30 GHz | _____ | N/A | | -18.7 dBm |
| 34 GHz | _____ | | | -17.2 dBm |
| 40 GHz | _____ | | | -15 dBm |
| **Pulse Frequency Profile** | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |
| **FM Rate Tolerance:** Normal Rate (1 kHz) | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |
| Low Rate (45 Hz) | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |
| Trafck Rate (300 kHz) | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |
| **INPUT 1, Pulse Width/Repetition Frequency test:** | | | | |
| Auto Mode, 100 ns, 2 MHz PRF | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |
| Manual Mode, 90 ns, 2 MHz PRF | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |
| Autol Mode, 2 ms, 50 Hz PRF | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |
| **External Arm/Gate tests:** | | | | |
| External Arm mode | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |
| External Gate mode | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |
| **HP-IB Verification** | Pass___ Fail___ | | | |

# PERFORMANCE TEST PROCEDURES

## INPUT 2, 10 Hz - 525 MHz CW Input Sensitivity Test

The following test is in two parts, Setup 1 for 50 MHz to 525 MHz, and Setup 2 for 10 Hz to 10 MHz.

**Specification:** 50 Ω: 10 MHz - 525 MHz, 25 mV rms
1 M Ω: 10 Hz - 80 MHz, 25 mV rms

**Description:** The counter is set to the 10 MHz - 525 MHz range, 50 Ω impedance, and a 25 mV rms (–19.3 dBm) signal is applied to Input 2 as shown in *Figure C-1*. The test generator is set to selected frequencies and the 5361B is checked for proper counting. The counter is next set for 1MΩ impedance, a 25 mV rms (–19.3 dBm) 80 MHz signal is applied to INPUT 2 through a 50 Ω feedthrough, and the counter is checked for proper counting. The test setup is changed to Setup 2 to test the 10 Hz - 20 MHz range as shown in *Figure* C- 2.

1. Set the counter to the 10 MHz - 525 MHz range, 50 Ω impedance, by pressing the 50 Ω key.

2. Set the 8340B to 50 MHz and an output level of 25 mV rms (–19.3 dBm) as measured on the 436A Power Meter. Measure actual sensitivity and verify that the 5361B counts properly at 50 MHz, 100 MHz, 200 MHz, 400 MHz, and 525 MHz. Enter the results in the Performance Test Record (*Table C-4*).

3. Insert a 50 Ω feedthrough between the 11667B power splitter and INPUT 2 of the counter. Press the 1M Ω key on the counter to select the 1M Ω impedance, 10 Hz - 80 MHz input.

4. Set the 8340B to 80 MHz and a level of 25 mV rms (–19.3 dBm) as measured on the 436A Power Meter.

5. Verify that the 5361B properly counts 50 MHz and 80 MHz at 25 mV rms, and enter the result in the Performance Test Record.

Change to test setup 2 to check the 10 Hz-20 MHz range with the following procedure.

1. 5361B settings are the same as in the 50 MHz and 80 MHz test (INPUT 2, 1M Ω).

2. Connect the 3325A to INPUT 2 of the counter via a 50 Ω feedthrough. Set the 3325A for an output of 25 mV rms (–19.3 dBm) at 10 Hz.

3. Verify that the counter counts properly at 10 Hz, 1 kHz, 500 kHz, 1 MHz, and 10 MHz. Enter results in the Performance Test Record.

## INPUT 1, 500 MHz - MAX GHz CW Input Sensitivity Test

The following procedure checks the input sensitivity of input 1 for CW signals.

**Specifications:** Refer to *Table C-4,* Performance Test Record, on page C-17 for CW input sensitivity specifications.

**Description:** The counter is set to the 500 MHz - MAX GHz range and the appropriate input signal is applied to INPUT 1 as shown in *Figure C-1.* The generator is set to various frequencies/levels and the actual sensitivity of the HP 5361B is then measured.

1. Set the counter to INPUT 1, Automatic mode by pressing the AUTO key.
2. Connect the equipment as shown in Figure C-1 (INPUT 1 path). Do not install the 10 dB attenuator pad for CW measurement.
3. Set the 8340B to 500 MHz, –28 dBm (–20 dBm for Opt. 026/040), as measured on the 436A.
4. Measure the actual sensitivity at 500 MHz, 1 GHz, 2.5 GHz, 5 GHz, 10 GHz, and 12.4 GHz. (Verify the signal level with the 436A Power Meter at each of these frequencies.) Enter the actual sensitivity result in the Performance Test Record.
5. Set the 8340B to 16 GHz, –23 dBm (–20 dBm for Opt. 026/040), as measured on the 436A.
6. Measure also the actual sensitivity at 18 GHz, 19 GHz, and 20 GHz. (Verify the signal level with the 436A Power Meter at each of these frequencies.) Enter the actual sensitivity result in the Performance Test Record.
7. If the counter under test has option 026/040 installed, measure the actual sensitivity at 22 GHz, 24 GHz, and 26.5 GHz. (Verify the signal level with the 436A Power meter at each of these frequencies.) Enter the actual sensitivity results in the Performance Test Record.
8. If the counter under test has option 040 installed, continue with the following test steps. (Refer to *Figure C-3.*) Connect the equipment as shown in *Figure C-3.* For CW mesurements DO NOT pulse-modulate the 8340B.
9. Set the 5361B to INPUT 1, Automatic mode by pressing the AUTO key.

10. Measure the actual sensitivity at 30 GHz, 34 GHz, and 40 GHz as follows:

    a. Set the 8340B to 15 GHz, and set the level for +17 dBm output from the 8349B Amplifier (as indicated on the 8349B front panel display).

    b. Add attenuation by adjusting the R382A Precision Attenuator until the counter stops measuring, then decrease attenuation until the counter begins correct measurement.

    c. Note the doubled frequency (30 GHz) power reading on the 436A, add +10 dB to the reading, and subtract the value of the R382A attenuator setting to obtain the sensitivity level of the counter.

    d. Repeat the above steps at 34 GHz and 40 GHz (17 and 20 GHz input to the source module, respectivly).

11. Enter the actual sensitivity result in the Performance Test Record.

## INPUT 1, 500 MHz - MAX GHz Pulse Input Sensitivity Test

Peak pulse power cannot be directly read from a power meter. Therefore, the following pulsed RF amplitude power relationship is presented as an example of how to interpret pulsed RF power readings. Refer to *Figure C-4* for amplitude/time waveform relationship.

For pulsed RF signals having the same peak power level as an equivalent CW signal, a power meter will average the pulse power level and display a lower reading. This must be taken into account to arrive at the required peak pulse power when setting up the source power level. The relationship is as follows:

$$\text{Power Meter Reading} = \text{Required Input Power} + 10 \log \frac{\text{Pulse Width}}{\text{Pulse Repetition Interval}}$$

The example in *Figure C-4* works out as follows:

$$\text{Power meter reading} = -25\ \text{dBm} + 10 \log \frac{200}{600}$$

$$= -25\ \text{dBm} + (-4.8\ \text{dBm})$$

$$= -29.8\ \text{dBm}$$

-29.8 dBm is what the power meter will read if the above signal conditions are used.

**INPUT 1 PULSED RF SENSITIVITY TEST (500 MHz - MAX GHz)**

The following specifications, setup illustration, and test steps describe the INPUT 1 pulsed RF sensitivity for the HP 5361B within 500 MHz - MAX GHz frequency range. *Figure C-1* shows the test setup.

**Specifications:** Refer to *Table C-4*, Performance Test Record, on page C-18 for CW input sensitivity specifications.

1. Connect the 5359A output to the 8340B Pulse Modulation input.
2. Set the HP 5359A for a pulse width of 200 ns and a pulse period of 600 ns. Set the polarity to norm. and pos.; amplitude to midrange, and offset to off.
3. View the pulse on the oscilloscope to make final adjustment. The waveform time relationships should match those shown in *Figure C-4* with pulse amplitude at 2.0V nominal.
4. Set the HP 436A Power Meter for auto range (Range Hold button OUT and dBm Mode).
5. Set the HP 8340B Synthesizer to 500 MHz and output power level for a reading of –22.8 dBm (–14.8 dBm for Opt. 026/040) on the 436A power meter, remember that:

$$\text{Power meter reading} = -28\ \text{dBm} + 10 \log \frac{200}{600} + 10\ \text{dB}$$

$$= -28\ \text{dBm} + (-4.8\ \text{dBm}) + 10\ \text{dB}$$

$$= -22.8\ \text{dBm}$$

6. Power-up the HP 5361B counter and observe automatic selection/display of pulse mode and measurement.
7. Verify that the HP 5361B counts correctly at 500 MHz, 1 GHz, 2.5 GHz, 5 GHz, 10 GHz, and 12.4 GHz.

*NOTE*

*The count accuracy of the HP 5361B is shown in Graphs 2 and 3, Resolution and Gate Error, of the Appendix A Specifications for a 200 ns pulse when the counter is phase-locked to a house standard.*

8. Change the power level from –22.8 dBm (–14.8 dBm for Opt. 026/040) to –17.8 dBm and verify that the HP 5361B counts correctly at 16 GHz, 18 GHz, 19 GHz, and 20 GHz.

9. Enter the actual sensitivity results in the Performance Test Record.

10. If the counter under test has option 026/040 installed, measure the actual sensitivity at 22 GHz, 24 GHz, and 26.5 GHz and change the power level to –14.8 dBm as measured with the 436A power meter.

11. Enter the actual sensitivity result in the Performance Test Record.

12. If the counter under test has option 040 installed, refer to *Figure* C-3 for the test setup.

13. Pulse modulate the 8340B with the output of the 5359A for a pulse width of 200 ns and a pulse period of 600 ns.

14. Set the polarity to NORM. and POS.; pulse amplitude to 2V and offset to OFF.

15. View the pulse on an oscilloscope to make final adjustment. The waveform time relationship should match that shown in *Figure C-4* with a pulse amplitude of 2V.

16. Set the counter to INPUT 1, Automatic mode by pressing the AUTO key.

17. Measure the actual sensitivity at 30 GHz, 34 GHz, and 40 GHz as follows:

    a. Set the 8340B to 15 GHz, and set the level for a +17 dBm output from the 8349B amplifier (as indicated on the 8349B front panel display).

    b. Add attenuation by adjusting the R382A Precision Attenuator until the counter stops measuring, then decrease attenuation until the counter begins correct measurement.

    c. Note the doubled frequency (30 GHz) power reading on the 436A, add +10 dB to the reading, and subtract the value of the R382A attenuator setting to obtain the sensitivity level of the counter.

    d. Repeat the above steps at 34 GHz and 40 GHz (17 and 20 GHz input to the source module, respectively).

18. Enter the actual sensitivity result in the Performance Test Record.

## Pulse Frequency Profile

**Specifications:** Pass/Fail

**Description:** The Profile function for pulse frequency is exercised and evaluated for Pass/Fail.

**Procedure:** Refer to the procedure below, and use the pulse signal setup for the previous pulse performance sensitivity test at 12.4 GHz.

1. Set up the 8340B and 5359A as shown in *Figure C-1*.
2. Set the 8340B for a frequency of 12.4 GHz and the 5359A for a pulse width of 200 ns with a pulse period of 600 ns as in the previous pulse sensitivity test.
3. Set the sample rate to HOLD by pressing SET/ENTER, SAMPLE RATE, DEC, keys until "HOLD" is displayed, then press SET/ENTER.
4. Connect a cable (model 10833A, 1 metre) from the HP-IB connecftor on the rear of the 5361B to one of the compatable printers.
5. Set the printer to Listen Only Mode. This is done by setting the HP-IB address switch to "Listen Always" on the back of the printer, then cycling ac power.
6. Now set the 5361B to Talk Only by setting HP-IB address to 31. This can be done through the front panel using the key sequency SET/ENTER, HP-IB Address, 3, 1, SET/ENTER.
7. Press the FREQUENCY/PROFILE key once.
8. When you want to begin the profiling process, press the TRIGGER key and observe the printer for output of a hardcopy profile plot.
9. If the printer produces a hardcopy profile plot, then the counter has passed this test.

## FM Tolerance Test (CW Only)

**Specifications:** 20 MHz maximum peak-to-peak deviation
12 MHz maximum peak-to-peak deviation for Opt. 040.

**Description:** The FM peak-to-peak deviation specification is the worst case FM deviation that can be present on a carrier that the instrument can acquire and count. The counter averages out the deviations and displays a carrier frequency. In addition, the HP 5361B offers a choice of FM rate modes. This test will verify that the counter performs properly in all three modes. Test setup is shown in *Figure C-6.*

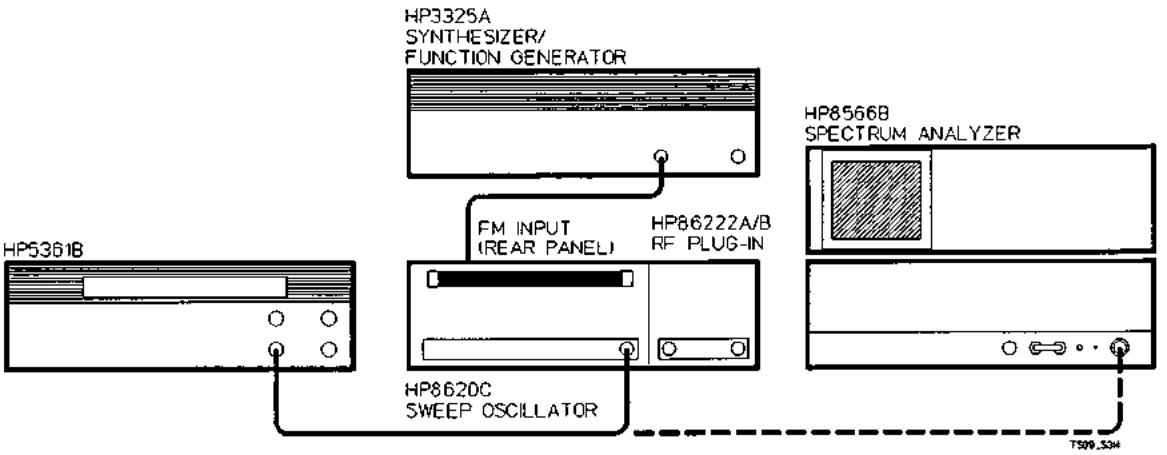



*Figure C-6. Setup: FM Tolerance Test*

1. Set the 8620C to 1 GHz.
2. Set the 86222A/B to –5 dBm.
3. Set the 3325A to 1 kHz.
4. Set the output amplitude of the 3325A to achieve a peak-to-peak width of 20 MHz. To set the amplitude, use the 8565A Spectrum Analyzer to verify the width of the FM deviation at the output of the 86222A/B.
5. Verify that the counter acquires and correctly counts the modulated input. Enter the result in the Performance Test Record.
6. Set the 5361B to extended function 6 by pressing the following key sequence: SET/ENTER, EXTEND FUNCT, 6, SET/ENTER. The counter will display the harmonic number, including the fractional portion.

7. Verify that the displayed fractional portion does not deviate more than 0.30 from the integer value. For example, a harmonic number of 3 should not deviate to less than 2.70 or greater than 3.30.

8. Set the 3325A to 45 Hz.

9. Set the 5361B to Low FM Rate by pressing the FM RATE/TRACK key. The LOW annunciator will turn on.

10. Verify that the fractional portion of the harmonic number still does not deviate more than 0.30 from the integer value.

11. Press the RESET/LOCAL key and verify that the displayed count matches that of the normal FM rate mode (step 5). Enter the result in the Performance Test Record.

12. Set the 3325A to 300 kHz.

13. Set the 5361B to Track rate by pressing the FM RATE/TRACK key. The TRACK annunciator will turn on.

14. Set the 5361B to extended function 6 by pressing the EXTEND FUNCT key.

15. Verify that the fractional portion of the harmonic number still does not deviate more than 0.30 from the integer value.

16. Press the RESET/LOCAL key and verify that the displayed count matches that of the normal FM rate mode (step 5).

17. Enter the results in the Performance Test Record.

If the counter fails the FM tolerance test, refer to Section 2, Adjustments in the Service manual, and verify the A6 IF Amplifier/Detector Assembly adjustments. If the adjustments are correct and the counter continues to fail, refer to the troubleshooting information in Section 5 in the Service manual for procedures to diagnose and repair the following assemblies:

A6 IF Amplifier/Detector Assembly
Microwave Module (A12 Microwave Assembly/U1 Sampler)

## INPUT 1 Pulse Width/Repetition Frequency Test

The following test is in three parts, test one for 100 ns pulse width, test two for manual mode, 90 ns, 2 MHz PRF, and test three for auto mode, 2 ms, 50 Hz PRF.

**Specifications:** Test 1 - Auto Mode, 100 ns, 2 MHz PRF: Pass/Fail
Test 2 - Manual Mode, 90 ns, 2 MHz PRF: Pass/Fail
Test 3 - Auto Mode, 2 ms, 50 Hz PRF: Pass/Fail

**Description:** The counter is set to the 500 MHz - MAX GHz range and the appropriate input signal is applied to INPUT 1 as shown in *Figure C-1*. The synthesized signal generator is set to 10 GHz, and the actual sensitivity of the 5361B is observed for the three pulse mode test cases listed above.

**AUTO MODE, 100 ns, 2 MHz PRF**

The referenced setup illustration and test steps describe the INPUT 1, 100 ns pulse width test for the HP 5361B 10 GHz. *Figure C-1* shows the test setup.

1. Configure the HP 5359A to output a square wave with a 100 ns width, 500 ns pulse period, and amplitude of 2.0 volts. (Refer to *Figure C-4* for a general profile of the waveform.)

2. Set the power switch of the HP 5361B to ON, enable Auto mode, and select 1 kHz resolution.

3. Set the HP 436A power meter for auto range (Range Hold button out) and dBm mode.

4. Set the HP 8340B synthesized signal generator to 10 GHz and output power level to for a power meter (436A) reading of –25 dBm:

$$\text{Power meter reading} = -28\ \text{dBm} + 10 \log \frac{100}{500} + 10\ \text{dB}$$

$$= -28\ \text{dBm} + (-7\ \text{dBm}) + 10\ \text{dB}$$

$$= -25\ \text{dBm}$$

5. Verify that the 5361B counts correctly at 10 GHz to the accuracy shown in Graph 1 of the Appendix A Specifications with a 100 ns pulse.

*NOTE*

*The count accuracy of the HP 5361B is shown in Graphs 2 and 3, Resolution and Gate Error, of the Appendix A Specifications when the counter is phase-locked to a house standard.*

6. Record the test results on the Performance Test Record.

**MANUAL MODE, 90 ns, 2 MHz PRF**

The referenced setup illustration and test steps describe the INPUT 1, 90 ns pulse width test for the HP 5361B 10 GHz. *Figure C-1* shows the test setup.

1. Configure the HP 5359A to output a square wave with a 90 ns width, 500 ns pulse period, and amplitude of 2.0 volts. (Refer to *Figure C-4* for a general profile of the waveform.)

2. Set the power switch of the HP 5361B to ON, enable Auto mode, and select 1 kHz resolution.

3. Set the HP 436A power meter for auto range (Range Hold button out) and dBm mode.

4. Set the HP 8340B synthesized signal generator to 10 GHz and output power level to for a power meter (436A) reading of –25.45 dBm:

$$\text{Power meter reading} = -28\ \text{dBm} + 10 \log \frac{90}{500} + 10\ \text{dB}$$

$$= -28\ \text{dBm} + (-7.45\ \text{dBm}) + 10\text{dB}$$

$$= -25.45\ \text{dBm}$$

5. Set the counter to Manual mode with a center frequency of 10 GHz by pressing the following keys: SET/ENTER, MANUAL, 1, 0, GHz, SET/ENTER.

6. Set the counter to extended function 93 by pressing the following keys: SET/ENTER, EXTEND FUNCT, 9, 3, SET/ENTER.

7. Verify that the 5361B counts correctly at 10 GHz to the accuracy shown in Graph 1 of the Appendix A Specifications.

*NOTE*

*The count accuracy of the HP 5361B is shown in Graphs 2 and 3, Resolution and Gate Error, of the Appendix A Specifications when the counter is phase-locked to a house standard.*

8. Record the test results on the Performance Test Record.

9. Turn-off extended function 93 before conducting any further tests by pressing SET/ENTER, EXTENDED FUNCTION, 9, 3, SET/ENTER.

**AUTO MODE, 2 ms, 50 Hz PRF**

The referenced setup illustration and test steps describe the INPUT 1, Auto mode 50 Hz PRF test for the HP 5361B at 10 GHz. *Figure C-1* shows the test setup.

1. Configure the HP 5359A to output a square wave with a 2 ms width, 20 ms pulse period, and amplitude of 2.0 volts. (Refer to *Figure C-4* for a general profile of the waveform.)

2. Set the HP 5361B to 100 Hz resolution and enable Auto mode.

3. Set the HP 436A power meter for auto range (Range Hold button out) and dBm mode.

4. Set the HP 8340B synthesized signal generator to 10 GHz and output power level for a power meter (436A) reading of –28 dBm:

$$\text{Power meter reading} = -28\ \text{dBm} + 10 \log \frac{2\ \text{ms}}{20\ \text{ms}} + 10\ \text{dB}$$

$$= -28\ \text{dBm} + (-10\ \text{dBm}) + 10\ \text{dB}$$

$$= -38\ \text{dBm} + 10\ \text{dB}$$

$$= -28\ \text{dBm}$$

5. Verify the following pulse envelope parameters with the 5361B:

| | |
|---|---|
| PRF | = 50 Hz |
| PRI | = 20 ms |
| OFFTIME | = 18 ms |
| PW | = 2 ms |

6. Verify that the 5361B counts correctly at 10 GHz to the accuracy shown in Graph 1 of the Appendix A Specifications for a 2 ms pulse.

*NOTE*

*The count accuracy of the HP 5361B is shown in Graphs 2 and 3, Resolution and Gate Error, of the Appendix A Specifications when the counter is phase-locked to a house standard.*

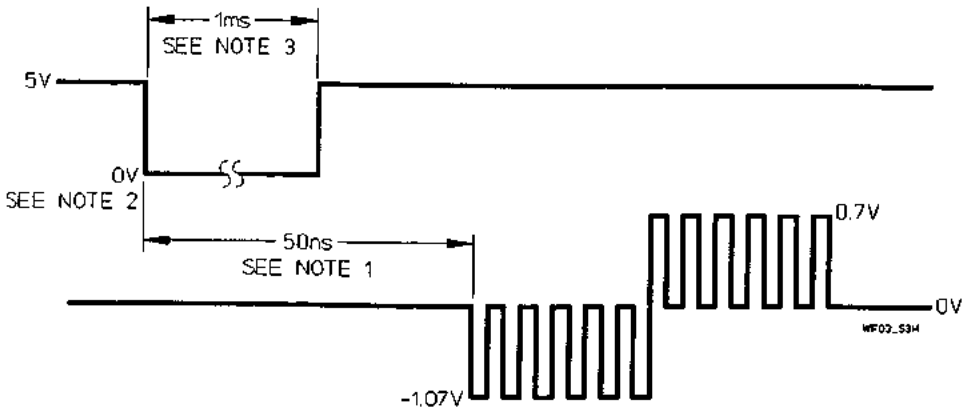
7. Record the test results on the Performance Test Record.

## External Gate/Arm In Test

The following specifications, setup illustration, and test steps describe the External Gate/Arm In test for the HP 5361B at 10 GHz.

**Specification:** Pass/Fail

**Description:** This test checks for proper operation of the external front panel Gate/Arm input. An active low TTL signal edge is applied at the front panel GATE/ARM IN connector. This enables the counter to make a measurement on the next RF pulse burst. The arming active-low edge must occur at least 50 ns prior to the pulse burst of interest. The counter must correctly count the 10 GHz carrier at the specified power. *Figure C-7* shows the test waveforms.




NOTES

1. ADJUST GATE PULSE FALLING EDGE NO CLOSER THAN 50ns AHEAD OF PULSE SIGNAL.
2. ADJUST 8012B OFFSET VERNIER TO ENSURE THAT THE BASELINE OF THE SQUARE WAVE IS AT 0 VOLTS.
3. ADJUST 8012B PULSE WIDTH VERNIER FOR PULSE WIDTH OF 1ms.
4. TIME DIMENSIONS ARE NOT DRAWN TO SCALE.

*Figure C-7. External Arm/Gate Mode Test Waveforms*

The following procedure describes the External Arm Mode test for the HP 5361B at 10 GHz. *Figure C-8* shows the test setup.

1. Set the HP 5359A for a pulse width of 2 ms, 1 ns delay, with the external trigger level at +2 volts. Set the polarity to norm. and pos.; amplitude to 2.5 volts, and offset to off.

2. Set the following parameters on the 8012B pulse generator:

   a. PULSE PERIOD . . . . . .10 ms - 1 ms
   b. PULSE PERIOD VERNIER . . . . . adjust for 20 ms PRI
   c. PULSE SWITCH . . . . . Normal
   d. DELAY . . . . . .0.1 ms - 10 ms
   e. PULSE WIDTH SWITCH . . . . . .0.1 ms - 10 ms
   f. PULSE WIDTH VERNIER . . . . . adjust for 1 ms (see *Figure C-7*)
   g. TRANSITION TIME . . . . . N/A
   h. LEADING AND TRAILING EDGES . . . . . .ccw
   i. AMPLITUDE SWITCH . . . . . 5V (Max)
   j. AMPLITUDE VERNIER . . . . . Max
   k. OFFSET SWITCH . . . . . .ON
   l. PULSE POLARITY . . . . . Negative
   m. OUTPUT SWITCH . . . . . Normal
   n. INT. LOAD . . . . . .In

3. Ensure that the above signal parameters are correct by observing the waveform on an oscilloscope with 50 Ω termination for final adjustment. The signal should appear as shown in the top waveform of *Figure C-7* with a 5 volt amplitude.

4. The most critical setting is the offset vernier. Make this adjustment so that the base line of the square wave is at 0 V. To move the pulse signal left or right, adjust the 8012B delay vernier as needed.

5. Set the HP 436A Power Meter for auto range (Range Hold button OUT and dBm Mode).

6. Set the HP 8340B Synthesizer to 10 GHz and output power level for a reading of –20 dBm on the 436A power meter.

7. Power-up the HP 5361B counter, select 1 kHz resolution, and set the gate mode to Internal. If the counter is not energized from the STBY state, allow at least 30 minutes for complete warm-up.

8. Adjust the 8012B pulse delay vernier so the oscilloscope display conforms to the waveform shown in *Figure C-7* (When using an analog scope, place the vertical display in chop position and internal trigger in channel B. Channel A - dc coupling, channel B - ac coupling.)

9. Verify the following pulse envelope parameters with the HP 5361B while set to Internal gate mode:

   PRF = 50 Hz
   PRI = 20 ms
   OFFTIME = 18 ms
   PW = 2 ms

   (Make the necessary adjustments to either the 5359A or 8012B to obtain the above values. Pulse width can be adjusted from the 5359A. PRI can be adjusted from the 8012B pulse period Vernier.)

10. Verify that the HP 5361B counts correctly at 10 GHz while set to Internal gate mode.

11. Set the gate mode to ARM and verify only that the HP 5361B counts the RF frequency correctly at 10 GHz while in external ARM gate mode.

    (Review *Figure C-7* carefully and make additional fine tune adjustments to the offset and delay vernier for proper counter operation in the external ARM gate mode.)

12. Record the results on the Performance Test Record.

*NOTE*

*The count accuracy of the HP 5361B is shown in Graphs 2 and 3, Resolution and Gate Error, of the Appendix A Specifications for a 200 ns Pulse when the counter is phase-locked to a house standard.*

## External Gate Mode Test

The following specifications, setup illustration, and test steps describe the External Gate mode test for the HP 5361B at 10 GHz.

**Specification:** Pass/Fail

**Description:** This test checks for proper operation of the External Gate mode. An active low TTL signal is applied at the front panel GATE/ARM IN connector from a pulse generator. The duration of this signal determines when the counter will make a measurement on the input RF pulse. The counter must correctly count the 10 GHz carrier at the specified power and display gate position relative to pulse onset/end via the front panel SCOPE-VIEW output.

The following procedure describes the External Gate Mode test for the HP 5361B at 10 GHz. *Figure C-8* shows the test setup.

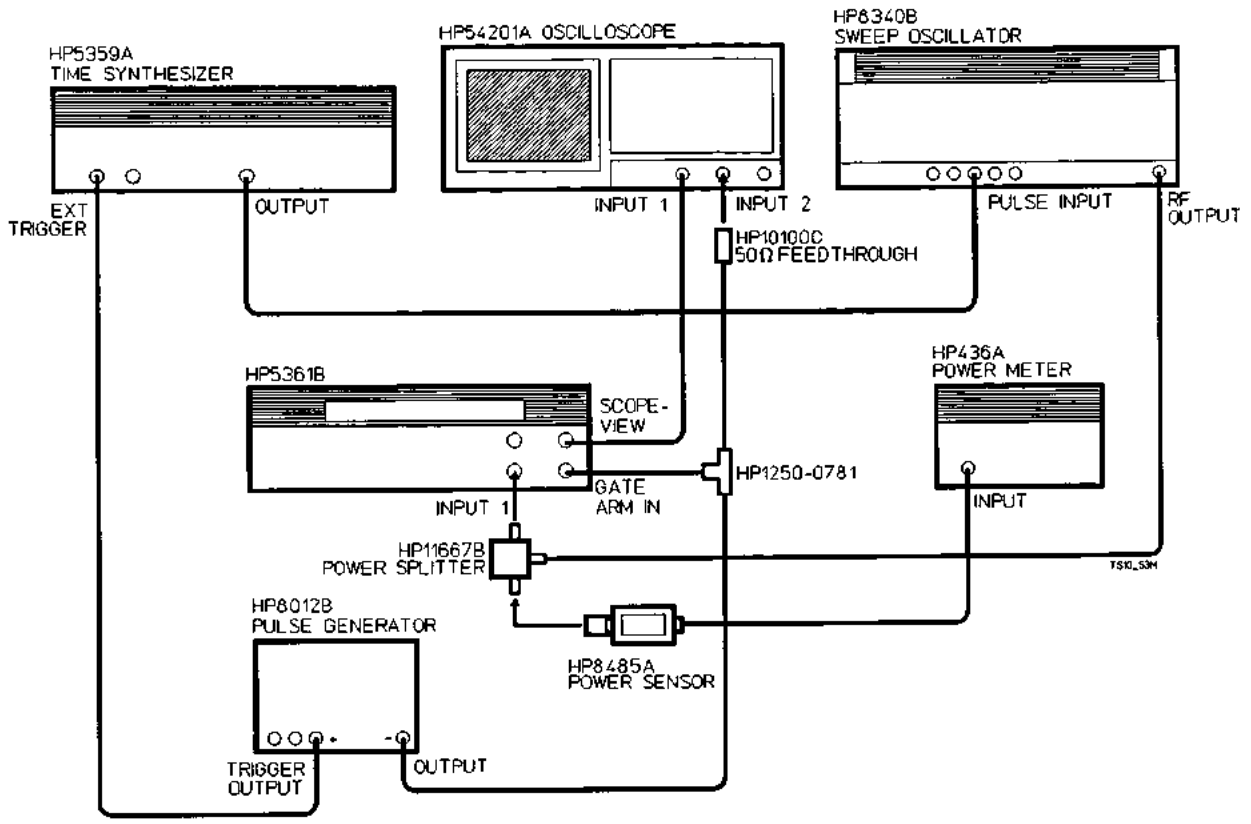



*Figure C-8. External Gate Mode Test and External Arm Mode Test*

1. Set the HP 5359A for a pulse width of 2 ms, 1 ns delay, with the external trigger level at +2 volts. Set the polarity to norm. and pos.; amplitude to 2.5 volts, and offset to off.

2. Set the following parameters on the 8012B pulse generator:

   a. PULSE PERIOD . . . . . .10 ms - 1 ms
   b. PULSE PERIOD VERNIER . . . . . adjust for 20 ms PRI
   c. PULSE SWITCH . . . . . Normal
   d. DELAY . . . . . .0.1 ms - 10 ms
   e. PULSE WIDTH SWITCH . . . . . .0.1 ms - 10 ms
   f. PULSE WIDTH VERNIER . . . . . adjust for 1 ms (see *Figure C-9*)
   g. TRANSITION TIME . . . . . N/A
   h. LEADING AND TRAILING EDGES . . . . . .ccw
   i. AMPLITUDE SWITCH . . . . . 5V (Max)
   j. AMPLITUDE VERNIER . . . . . Max

k. OFFSET SWITCH . . . . . .ON
l. PULSE POLARITY . . . . . –
m. OUTPUT SWITCH . . . . . Normal
n. INT. LOAD . . . . . .In

3. Ensure that the above signal parameters are correct by observing the waveform on an oscilloscope with 50 Ω termination for final adjustment. The signal should appear as shown in the top waveform of *Figure C-9/A* with a 5 volt amplitude.

4. The most critical setting is the offset vernier. Adjust this control so that the square wave baseline is at 0 V. To move the square wave left or right, adjust the 8012B delay vernier.

5. Set the HP 436A Power Meter for auto range (Range Hold button OUT and dBm Mode).

6. Set the HP 8340B Synthesizer to 10 GHz and output power level for a reading of –20 dBm on the 436A power meter.

7. Power-up the HP 5361B counter, select 1 kHz resolution, and set the gate mode to Internal. If the counter is not energized from the STBY state, allow at least 30 minutes for complete warm-up.

8. Adjust the 8012B pulse delay vernier so the oscilloscope display conforms to the waveform shown in *Figure C-9/B* (When using an analog scope, place the vertical display in chop position and internal trigger in channel B. Channel A - dc coupling, channel B - ac coupling.)

9. Verify the following pulse envelope parameters with the HP 5361B:

   PRF = 50 Hz
   PRI = 20 ms
   OFFTIME = 18 ms
   PW = 2 ms

   (Make the necessary adjustments to either the 5359A or 8012B to obtain the above values. Pulse width can be adjusted from the 5359A. PRI can be adjusted from the 8012B pulse period Vernier.)

10. Verify that the HP 5361B counts correctly at 10 GHz with Internal gate mode.

11. Set the gate mode to External and verify that the HP 5361B counts correctly at 10 GHz with External gate mode. Review *Figure C-9* carefully and make additional fine tune adjustments to the 8012B offset or delay vernier settings for proper counter operation while in External gate mode.

12. Record the results on the Performance Test Record.

k. OFFSET SWITCH . . . . . .ON
l. PULSE POLARITY . . . . . Negative
m. OUTPUT SWITCH . . . . . Normal
n. INT. LOAD . . . . . .In

3. Ensure that the above signal parameters are correct by observing the waveform on an oscilloscope with 50 Ω termination for final adjustment. The signal should appear as shown in the top waveform of *Figure C-9/A* with a 5 volt amplitude.

4. The most critical setting is the offset vernier. Adjust this control so that the square wave baseline is at 0 V. To move the square wave left or right, adjust the 8012B delay vernier.

5. Set the HP 436A Power Meter for auto range (Range Hold button OUT and dBm Mode).

6. Set the HP 8340B Synthesizer to 10 GHz and output power level for a reading of –20 dBm on the 436A power meter.

7. Power-up the HP 5361B counter, select 1 kHz resolution, and set the gate mode to Internal. If the counter is not energized from the STBY state, allow at least 30 minutes for complete warm-up.

8. Adjust the 8012B pulse delay vernier so the oscilloscope display conforms to the waveform shown in *Figure C-9/B* (When using an analog scope, place the vertical display in chop position and internal trigger in channel B. Channel A - dc coupling, channel B - ac coupling.)

9. Verify the following pulse envelope parameters with the HP 5361B:

   PRF = 50 Hz
   PRI = 20 ms
   OFFTIME = 18 ms
   PW = 2 ms

   (Make the necessary adjustments to either the 5359A or 8012B to obtain the above values. Pulse width can be adjusted from the 5359A. PRI can be adjusted from the 8012B pulse period Vernier.)

10. Verify that the HP 5361B counts correctly at 10 GHz with Internal gate mode.

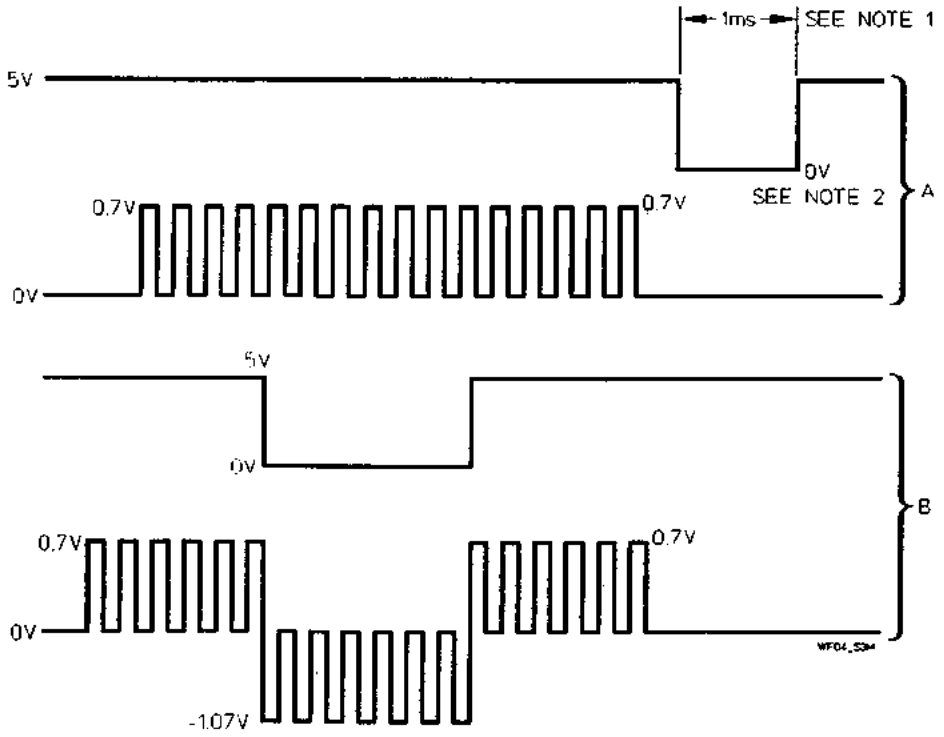
11. Set the gate mode to External and verify that the HP 5361B counts correctly at 10 GHz with External gate mode. Review *Figure C-9* carefully and make additional fine tune adjustments to the 8012B offset or delay vernier settings for proper counter operation while in External gate mode.

The External gate mode should be used to measure the RF frequency only, and not the pulse envelope parameters.

12. Record the results on the Performance Test Record.

*NOTE*

*The count accuracy of the HP 5361B is shown in Graphs 2 and 3, Resolution and Gate Error, of the Appendix A Specifications for a 2 ms Pulse when the counter is phase-locked to a house standard.*




NOTES

1. ADJUST 8012B WIDTH VERNIER FOR PULSE WITH OF 1ms
2. ADJUST 8012B OFFSET VERNIER TO ENSURE THAT THE SQUARE WAVE BASELINE IS AT 0 VOLTS
3. ALL VOLTAGES ARE NOMINAL.

*Figure C-9. External Gate Mode Test Waveforms*

## HP 9000 Program Listing

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10      !HP5361A/B MICROWAVE FREQUENCY PULSE COUNTER
20      !THIS PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO WORK ON A SERIES 200 COMPUTER. TO CONVERT
30      !IT FOR ANOTHER COMPUTER, MAKE SURE THE MASK BIT IS PROPERLY SET IN CHECK PO40 !INT 14.
40      !
50      !THIS VERSION ALSO ALLOWS USERS TO CHANGE THE HP-IB ADDRESS OF THE PRINTER
60      ! HP-IB OPERATIONAL VERIFICATION PROGRAM
70      ! AJ
80      ! DATE: 890525
90      ! REVISION A
100     ! This program exercises the 5361A/B through the majority of its command
110     ! code set via HP-IB. The program consists of 17 checkpoints, and
120     ! provides the user with the ability to execute and repeat these tests
130     ! in any order. Also provided are options to print the checkpoint
140     ! summary and results. The program relies on subroutines in addition
150     ! to arrays and simple variables.
160     !
170     OPTION BASE 1
180     DIM Ascii_data$[24],Horiz_line$[80],Inst_id$[7]
190     DIM Setup$[76],Title$[80]
200     DIM Fail_address(30),Pass_address(30),Test_results$(20)[13]
210     INTEGER Test_number
220     Initialize:                             !
230     ON ERROR GOTO Error_exit
240     PRINTER IS CRT
250     CONTROL KBD,1;0
260     CONTROL KBD,2;2
270     OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";               ! Clear screen + home cursor
280     GRAPHICS OFF
290     ALPHA ON
300     CONTROL 1,12;1                  ! Key labels off
310     RESET 7
320     Test_number=0
330     Checkpoint=0
340     Ascii_data$=""
350     Inst_id$=""
360     Horiz_line$="********************************************************************************"
370     !Initialize test results array to "NOT PERFORMED"
380     FOR I=1 TO 17
390     Test_results$(I)="NOT PERFORMED"
400     NEXT I
410     PRINT " "
420     Title$="HP 5361A/B HP-IB OPERATIONAL VERIFICATION PROGRAM"
430     GOSUB Sub_title
440     PRINT Horiz_line$
450     PRINT "The HP-IB address of the printer is assumed to be 701. Would"
460     PRINT "you like to change that?"
470     PRINT
480     PRINT "CAUTION! Do not set printer address the same as the counter's address."
490     GOSUB Clear_keys
500     ON KEY 1 LABEL "YES" GOTO Change_add
510     ON KEY 6 LABEL "    " GOTO Change_add
520     ON KEY 4 LABEL " NO" GOTO Same_add
530     ON KEY 9 LABEL "    " GOTO Same_add
540     GOSUB Wait_for_key
550     Same_add:                               ! ASSUME PRINTER ADDRESS TO BE 701
560     Ptr_add=701
570     GOTO Start_program
580     Change_add:                             ! CHANGE THE ADDRESS OF THE PRINTER FROM 701
590     CONTROL 1,12;1
600     INPUT "PLEASE ENTER THE CORRECT ADDRESS OF THE PRINTER.",Ptr_add
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610     IF (Ptr_add<(700) OR Ptr_add>(731) OR Ptr_add=(721)) THEN GOTO Bad_add
620     Start_program:!
630     OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
640     Title$="HP 5361A/B HP-IB OPERATIONAL VERIFICATION PROGRAM"
650     GOSUB Sub_title
660     PRINT Horiz_line$
670     PRINT
680     GOSUB Menu
690     IF VAL(SYSTEM$("PRINTER IS"))=Ptr_add THEN GOTO Already_printed     ! ***** 701
700     PRINT
710     PRINT "Would you like a hardcopy of the checkpoint summary?"
720     PRINT
730     PRINT "YES - Press K1 to receive a hardcopy, or"
740     PRINT "NO - Press K4 to continue."
750     GOSUB Clear_keys
760     ON KEY 1 LABEL "YES" GOTO Printer_setup
770     ON KEY 6 LABEL " " GOTO Printer_setup
780     ON KEY 4 LABEL "NO" GOTO Already_printed
790     ON KEY 9 LABEL " " GOTO Already_printed
800     GOSUB Wait_for_key
810     Printer_setup:                              ! Yes, printout
820     GOSUB Keys_off
830     OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
840     PRINTER IS Ptr_add
850     ON ERROR GOTO Bad_add
860     ON TIMEOUT Ptr_add DIV 100,1 GOTO Prnt_broke
870     OUTPUT Ptr_add USING "#,K";" "              !TEST FOR A RESPONSE
880     OFF TIMEOUT
890     OFF ERROR
900     GOSUB Menu
910     GOTO Already_printed
920     Bad_add:                                    !
930     DISP Ptr_add;"IS INVALID. TRY AGAIN."
940     BEEP 600,.3
950     WAIT 2
960     OFF ERROR
970     OFF TIMEOUT
980     GOTO Change_add
990     Prnt_broke:                                 !
1000    CONTROL 1,12;1 !key labels off
1010    DISP (Ptr_add);"NOT RESPONDING. CHECK PRINTER IS ON, & ADDRESS & HOOKUP IS CORRECT."
1020    BEEP 600,.3
1030    WAIT 3
1040    GOTO Initialize
1050    PRINTER IS CRT
1060    Already_printed:                            !
1070    GOSUB Keys_off
1080    PRINTER IS CRT
1090    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
1100    Title$="MAKE THE CONNECTIONS"
1110    GOSUB Sub_title
1120    PRINT Horiz_line$
1130    PRINT
1140    PRINT "Connect the HP-IB Interface to the rear panel of the counter and turn on the"
1150    PRINT "power. A source capable of outputting 1GHz from -10 to +20 dBm will also be"
1160    PRINT "needed later to complete this verification. For pulse testing, set-up the"
1170    PRINT "test equipment as outlined in the manual."
1180    PRINT
1190    PRINT "Consult the counter Operating and Service manual for additional information."
1200    GOSUB Ready_start
1210    !
1220    GOSUB Begin_search
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1230  GOTO First_check
1240  !*****************************************************************
1250  !              START OF CHECKPOINT TESTS
1260  !*****************************************************************
1270  !
1280  Chk1:                                  !
1290  Test_number=1
1300  Title$="'REMOTE', 'LOCAL LOCKOUT', AND 'LOCAL'"
1310  GOSUB Print_title
1320  PRINT "Checkpoint 1 tests the REMOTE, LOCAL LOCKOUT, and LOCAL HP-IB commands."
1330  PRINT "Each command will be programmed and the operator will be prompted as to"
1340  PRINT "what conditions should be verified."
1350  PRINT
1360  GOSUB Ready_start
1370  !
1380  LOCAL Address
1390  REMOTE Address
1400  OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
1410  PRINT
1420  Title$="REMOTE"
1430  GOSUB Sub_title
1440  PRINT
1450  PRINT "Verify that the INT, REM, LSN, FM NORM, and AUTO annunciators are on."
1460  PRINT
1470  GOSUB Ready_start
1480  PRINT
1490  Title$="LOCAL LOCKOUT"
1500  GOSUB Sub_title
1510  PRINT
1520  PRINT "Verify that pressing any of the front panel keys other than POWER will"
1530  PRINT "not affect the ";Inst_id$;"."
1540  PRINT
1550  LOCAL LOCKOUT 7
1560  GOSUB Ready_start
1570  PRINT
1580  Title$="LOCAL"
1590  GOSUB Sub_title
1600  PRINT
1610  PRINT "Verify that the REM annunciator is no longer on, and the ";Inst_id$
1620  PRINT "responds to front panel entries."
1630  LOCAL 7
1640  PRINT
1650  GOSUB Ready_start
1660  REMOTE Address
1670  GOTO Record_results
1680  ! End of Chk1
1690  !
1700  Chk2:                                  !
1710  Test_number=2
1720  Title$="SELF CHECK ('TEST?')"
1730  GOSUB Print_title
1740  PRINT "Checkpoint 2 tests the 'TEST?' HP-IB command. The results of the SELF CHECK"
1750  PRINT "will be sent over the bus and displayed on the controller CRT."
1760  PRINT
1770  GOSUB Ready_start
1780  REMOTE Address
1790  OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
1800  OUTPUT Address;"TEST?"
1810  ENTER Address;Ascii_data$
1820  PRINT "The results of SELF CHECK are: ";TRIM$(Ascii_data$)
1830  PRINT
1840  IF Ascii_data$[1,4]="PASS" THEN GOTO Pass_test1
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1850    PRINT "The ";Inst_id$;" failed the SELF CHECK. It is recommended that the fault on"
1860    PRINT "the ";TRIM$(Ascii_data$[18,19]);" or associated assemblies be corrected"
1870    PRINT "before continuing with the HP-IB verification."
1880    PRINT
1890    Pass_test1:                                    !
1900    GOTO Record_results
1910    ! End of Chk2
1920    !
1930    Chk3:!
1940    Test_number=3
1950    Title$="'DISPLAY'"
1960    GOSUB Print_title
1970    PRINT "Checkpoint 3 tests the 'DISPLAY' HP-IB command."
1980    PRINT
1990    GOSUB Ready_start
2000    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
2010    OUTPUT Address;"DISPLAY, 'HP-IBVERIFICATION'"
2020    PRINT "Verify that the ";Inst_id$;" display shows 'HP-IB VERIFICATION'."
2030    PRINT
2040    GOSUB Ready_start
2050    OUTPUT Address;"DISPLAY,''"
2060    GOTO Record_results
2070    ! End of Chk3
2080    !
2090    Chk4:!
2100    Test_number=4
2110    Title$="'INIT' and 'RESET'"
2120    GOSUB Print_title
2130    PRINT "Checkpoint 4 tests the 'INIT' and 'RESET' HP-IB commands."
2140    PRINT
2150    GOSUB Ready_start
2160    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
2170    ! SET UP INSTRUMENT STATE TO BE INITIALIZED
2180    OUTPUT Address;"OFFSET,ON;SCALE,ON;SMOOTH,ON"
2190    REMOTE Address
2200    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
2210    Title$="'INIT'"
2220    GOSUB Sub_title
2230    PRINT
2240    PRINT "Verify that the INT, REM, LSN, FM NORM and AUTO annunicators are"
2250    PRINT "on that the display shows: 00 000 000 000 CW without an input."
2260    PRINT
2270    GOSUB Ready_start
2280    !SET UP ERROR CONDITION - MANUAL FREQ 9E+99 IS OUT OF RANGE
2290    OUTPUT Address;"MANUAL,9E+99"
2300    Title$="'RESET'"
2310    GOSUB Sub_title
2320    PRINT
2330    PRINT "Verify that the ";Inst_id$[1,7];" shows: OUT OF RANGE 3 ERROR ."
2340    PRINT
2350    PRINT "Press ENTER to send the 'RESET' command. Verify that the error message is"
2360    PRINT "cleared and the INT, REM, LSN, FM NORM and AUTO annunciators are on."
2370    GOSUB Ready_start
2380    OUTPUT Address;"RESET"
2390    PRINT
2400    GOTO Record_results
2410    ! End of Chk4
2420    !
2430    Chk5:!
2440    Test_number=5
2450    Title$="'OVEN?' and 'REF?'"
2460    GOSUB Print_title
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2470    PRINT "Checkpoint 5 tests the 'OVEN?' and 'REF?' HP-IB commands."
2480    PRINT
2490    GOSUB Ready_start
2500    Title$="'REF?'"
2510    GOSUB Sub_title
2520    PRINT
2530    PRINT "Disconnect the external reference if one is connected."
2540    PRINT
2550    GOSUB Ready_start
2560    REMOTE Address
2570    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
2580    OUTPUT Address;"REF?"
2590    ENTER Address;Ascii_data$ ! Enter the status of the reference
2600    PRINT
2610    PRINT "Verify that the EXT REF annunciator is off."
2620    PRINT
2630    GOSUB Ready_start
2640    PRINT
2650    PRINT "The ";Inst_id$;" has returned its timebase reference status as ";
2660    PRINT TRIM$(Ascii_data$);"ERNAL."
2670    PRINT
2680    IF Ascii_data$="INT" THEN GOTO Okay1
2690    PRINT "RETURNED HP-IB DATA INCORRECT";CHR$(7)
2700    PRINT
2710    Okay1:!
2720    GOSUB Ready_start
2730    Title$="'REF?'"
2740    GOSUB Sub_title
2750    PRINT
2760    PRINT "Connect an external timebase to the external reference on the rear panel."
2770    PRINT
2780    GOSUB Ready_start
2790    OUTPUT Address;"REF?"
2800    ENTER Address;Ascii_data$
2810    PRINT
2820    PRINT "Verify that the EXT REF annunciator is on. The ";Inst_id$;" has returned"
2830    PRINT "a reference status of ";TRIM$(Ascii_data$);"ERNAL."
2840    PRINT
2850    IF TRIM$(Ascii_data$)="EXT" THEN GOTO Okay2
2860    PRINT "RETURNED HP-IB DATA INCORRECT"
2870    Okay2:!
2880    GOSUB Ready_start
2890    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
2900    Title$="'OVEN?'"
2910    GOSUB Sub_title
2920    PRINT
2930    PRINT "Disconnect the external timebase. If the ";Inst_id$;" has Option 001 or"
2940    PRINT "010 (ovenized oscillators), the returned status is meaningful. If the"
2950    PRINT "counter does not have these options, the returned status will always"
2960    PRINT "be 'WARM'."
2970    PRINT
2980    GOSUB Ready_start
2990    OUTPUT Address;"OVEN?"
3000    ENTER Address;Ascii_data$
3010    PRINT
3020    PRINT "The oven status is ";Ascii_data$;"."
3030    PRINT
3040    GOTO Record_results
3050    ! End of Chk5
3060    !
3070    Chk6:!
3080    Test_number=6
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3090    Title$="'ERR?'"
3100    GOSUB Print_title
3110    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
3120    PRINT "Checkpoint 6 tests the 'ERR?' HP-IB command. An error state will be"
3130    PRINT "programmed and the type of error will read back to the controller."
3140    PRINT
3150    GOSUB Ready_start
3160    OUTPUT Address;"MANUAL,9E99" ! Out of range, error guaranteed
3170    OUTPUT Address;"ERR?"
3180    ENTER Address;Ascii_data$
3190    PRINT "Verify that the ";Inst_id$;" displays OUT OF RANGE 3 ERROR."
3200    PRINT
3210    IF Ascii_data$[18,18]="3" THEN GOTO Okay3
3220    PRINT "RETURNED HP-IB DATA INCORRECT."
3230    PRINT
3240    Okay3:!
3250    PRINT "Press ENTER to RESET the ";Inst_id$;"."
3260    GOSUB Ready_start
3270    OUTPUT Address;"RESET"
3280    GOTO Record_results
3290    ! End of Chk6
3300    !
3310    Chk7:!
3320    Test_number=7
3330    Title$="'SET' and 'SET?'"
3340    GOSUB Print_title
3350    PRINT "Checkpoint 7 tests the 'SET' and 'SET?' HP-IB commands. A configuration"
3360    PRINT "will be programmed and then saved using the 'SET?' command. The ";
3370    PRINT Inst_id$
3380    PRINT "will be set to the initial power-on condition and then reprogrammed"
3390    PRINT "using the 'SET' command."
3400    PRINT
3410    GOSUB Ready_start
3420    REMOTE Address
3430    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
3440    OUTPUT Address;"SMOOTH,ON;SCALE,1,ON;FMRATE,LOW" ! Test setup
3450    PRINT "The front panel set-up to be stored has the SCALE, SMOOTH, INT, REM, LSN,"
3460    PRINT "FM LOW, and AUTO annunciators on."
3470    PRINT
3480    PRINT "Verify these annunciators."
3490    GOSUB Ready_start
3500    OUTPUT Address;"SET?"
3510    ! STORE THE SET-UP IN SETUP$
3520    ENTER Address;Setup$
3530    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
3540    PRINT
3550    PRINT
3560    PRINT "This configuration is now stored and the ";Inst_id$;" is initialized."
3570    PRINT
3580    PRINT
3590    PRINT "Verify that the INT, REM, LSN, FM NORM, and AUTO annunciators are on."
3600    PRINT
3610    GOSUB Ready_start
3620    OUTPUT Address;"SET,'";Setup$;"'"
3630    PRINT "Verify that the SCALE, SMOOTH, INT, REM, LSN, FM LOW, and AUTO annunciators"
3640    PRINT "are on again."
3650    PRINT
3660    GOSUB Ready_start
3670    GOTO Record_results
3680    ! End of Chk7
3690    !
3700    Chk8:!
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3710    Test_number=8
3720    Title$="'LOWZ' and 'HIGHZ'"
3730    GOSUB Print_title
3740    PRINT "Checkpoint 8 tests the 'LOWZ'and 'HIGHZ' HP-IB commands. Connect the"
3750    PRINT "rear panel 10   MHz OUT to Input 2 of the ";Inst_id$;"."
3760    PRINT
3770    GOSUB Ready_start
3780    REMOTE Address
3790    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
3800    OUTPUT Address;"LOWZ"
3810    ENTER Address;Meas_data
3820    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
3830    Title$="'LOWZ'"
3840    GOSUB Sub_title
3850    PRINT
3860    PRINT "Verify that the 50 ohm annunciator is on as well as the INT, REM and TLK"
3870    PRINT "annunciators. The OPEN annunciator should be flashing. The display should"
3880    PRINT "read: 10 000 000 CW IN2"
3890    PRINT
3900    IF Meas_data=10000000 THEN GOTO Okay4
3910    PRINT "RETURNED HP-IB DATA INCORRECT: ";Meas_data
3920    Okay4:!
3930    PRINT
3940    GOSUB Ready_start
3950    OUTPUT Address;"HIGHZ"
3960    ENTER Address;Meas_data
3970    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
3980    Title$="'HIGHZ'"
3990    GOSUB Sub_title
4000    PRINT
4010    PRINT "Verify that the INT, REM, TLK, and 1 Mohm annunciators are on. The OPEN"
4020    PRINT "annunciator should be flashing. The display should read: 10 000 000 CW IN2"
4030    PRINT
4040    IF Meas_data=10000000 THEN GOTO Okay5
4050    PRINT "RETURNED HP-IB DATA INCORRECT: ";Meas_data
4060    PRINT
4070    Okay5:!
4080    GOTO Record_results
4090    ! End of Chk8
4100    !
4110    Chk9:!
4120    Test_number=9
4130    Title$="'SAMPLE and TRIGGER'"
4140    GOSUB Print_title
4150    PRINT "Checkpoint 9 tests the 'SAMPLE' and 'TRIGGER' HP-IB commands. Connect the"
4160    PRINT "rear panel 10   MHz OUT to Input 2 of the ";Inst_id$;"."
4170    PRINT
4180    GOSUB Ready_start
4190    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
4200    OUTPUT Address;"SAMPLE,HOLD;HIGHZ"
4210    PRINT "Verify that the INT, HOLD, REM, LSN, and 1Mohm annunciators are on. The display"
4220    PRINT "should read: HOLDING- - -"
4230    PRINT
4240    INPUT "Press ENTER to trigger the counter and take a measurement.",Dummy$
4250    OUTPUT Address;"TRIGGER"
4260    ENTER Address;Meas_data
4270    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
4280    PRINT "The measurement should be: 10 000 000 CW IN2"
4290    PRINT
4300    IF Meas_data=10000000 THEN GOTO Okay6
4310    PRINT "RETURNED HP-IB DATA INCORECT: ";Meas_data
4320    PRINT
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4330    Okay6:!
4340    GOTO Record_results
4350    ! End of Chk9
4360    !
4370    Chk10:!
4380    Test_number=10
4390    Title$="'RESOL' and 'HIRESOL'"
4400    GOSUB Print_title
4410    PRINT "Checkpoint 10 tests the 'RESOL'and 'HIRESOL' HP-IB commands. Connect the"
4420    PRINT "rear panel 10 MHz OUT to Input 2 of the ";Inst_id$;"."
4430    PRINT
4440    GOSUB Ready_start
4450    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
4460    OUTPUT Address;"HIGHZ;RESOL,6" ! 1 MHz resolution
4470    Title$="'RESOL'"
4480    GOSUB Sub_title
4490    PRINT
4500    PRINT "Verify that the current reading is to 1MHz resolution. Press ENTER"
4510    PRINT " to program another decade of resolution."
4520    PRINT
4530    PRINT "Continue pressing ENTER until the counter displays the measurement with"
4540    PRINT "1Hz resolution."
4550    PRINT
4560    FOR I=5 TO 0 STEP -1
4570    DISP "Press ENTER to decrease the resolution to ";
4580    DISP INT(10^(I));"Hz."
4590    INPUT "",Dummy$
4600    OUTPUT Address;"RESOL,";I
4610    DISP
4620    NEXT I
4630    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
4640    OUTPUT Address;"HIRESOL,ON"
4650    PRINT "Verify that the INT, REM, LSN, 1Mohm, and HIGH RESOL INDICATORS (**) are on,"
4660    PRINT "the OPEN annunciator is flashing, and the display reads: 10 000 000. 0** IN2"
4670    PRINT
4680    GOTO Record_results
4690    ! End of Chk10
4700    !
4710    Chk11:!
4720    Test_number=11
4730    Title$="'OFFSET', 'SCALE', and 'SMOOTH'"
4740    GOSUB Print_title
4750    PRINT "Checkpoint 11 tests the 'OFFSET', 'SCALE', and 'SMOOTH' HP-IB commands."
4760    PRINT "Connect the rear panel 10      MHz OUT to Input 2 of the ";Inst_id$;"."
4770    PRINT
4780    GOSUB Ready_start
4790    REMOTE Address
4800    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
4810    OUTPUT Address;"HIGHZ;OFFSET,-5E6,ON" ! Should be 5MHz
4820    Title$="'OFFSET'"
4830    GOSUB Sub_title
4840    PRINT
4850    PRINT "Verify that the OFFSET, INT, REM, TLK, and 1Mohm annunciators are on. The"
4860    PRINT "OPEN light should be flashing. The display should read: 5 000 000 CW IN2"
4870    ENTER Address;Meas_data
4880    IF Meas_data=5000000 THEN GOTO Okay7
4890    PRINT
4900    PRINT "RETURNED HP-IB DATA IS INCORRECT: ";Meas_data
4910    Okay7:!
4920    PRINT
4930    GOSUB Ready_start
4940    OUTPUT Address;"OFFSET,OFF;SCALE,2,ON" ! Should be 20MHz
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4950    Title$="'SCALE'"
4960    GOSUB Sub_title
4970    PRINT
4980    PRINT "Verify that the SCALE, INT, REM, TLK, and 1Mohm annunciators are on. The"
4990    PRINT "OPEN light should be flashing. The display should read: 20 000 000 CW IN2"
5000    ENTER Address;Meas_data
5010    IF Meas_data=20000000 THEN GOTO Okay8
5020    PRINT
5030    PRINT "RETURNED HP-IB DATA INCORRECT: ";Meas_data
5040    Okay8:!
5050    PRINT
5060    GOSUB Ready_start
5070    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
5080    Title$="'SMOOTH'"
5090    GOSUB Sub_title
5100    PRINT
5110    PRINT "After pressing ENTER to program the counter, verify that the SMOOTH, INT, REM,"
5120    PRINT "LSN, and 1Mohm annunciators are on. The OPEN annunciator should be flashing."
5130    PRINT "The display should initially show 10 000 and increase the resolution to"
5140    PRINT "1Hz."
5150    PRINT
5160    GOSUB Ready_start
5170    OUTPUT Address;"SMOOTH,ON;HIGHZ;SCALE,OFF"
5180    GOSUB Ready_start
5190    OUTPUT Address;"SMOOTH,OFF"
5200    GOTO Record_results
5210    ! End of Chk11
5220    !
5230    Chk12:!
5240    Test_number=12
5250    Title$="'AUTO' and 'MANUAL'"
5260    GOSUB Print_title
5270    PRINT "Checkpoint 12 tests the 'AUTO'and 'MANUAL' HP-IB commands. Input a 1GHz"
5280    PRINT "signal at -5 dBm to Input 1 of the ";Inst_id$;"."
5290    PRINT
5300    GOSUB Ready_start
5310    REMOTE Address
5320    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
5330    OUTPUT Address;"SAMPLE,HOLD;TRIGGER" ! Auto mode, single measurement
5340    ENTER Address;Meas_data
5350    IF Meas_data=1.E+38 THEN GOTO Fail
5360    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
5370    Title$="'AUTO'"
5380    GOSUB Sub_title
5390    PRINT
5400    PRINT "Verify that the INT, HOLD, REM, TLK, FM NORM, and AUTO annunciators are on"
5410    PRINT "and the ";Inst_id$;" is displaying ";Meas_data;" Hz."
5420    PRINT
5430    PRINT "If the ";Inst_id$;" display does not match the above reading, then an"
5440    PRINT "error occurred in the HP-IB transfer."
5450    PRINT
5460    GOSUB Ready_start
5470    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
5480    Title$="'MANUAL'"
5490    GOSUB Sub_title
5500    PRINT
5510    PRINT "This will trigger the ";Inst_id$;"."
5520    GOSUB Ready_start
5530    OUTPUT Address;"MANUAL,LASTF"
5540    OUTPUT Address;"SAMPLE,HOLD;TRIGGER"
5550    ENTER Address;Meas_data
5560    IF Meas_data1=1.E+38 THEN GOTO Fail
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5570    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
5580    Title$="'MANUAL'"
5590    GOSUB Sub_title
5600    PRINT
5610    PRINT "Verify that the INT, HOLD, REM, TLK, and MAN annunciators are on"
5620    PRINT "and the ";Inst_id$;" is displaying ";Meas_data;" Hz."
5630    PRINT
5640    PRINT "If the ";Inst_id$;" display does not match the above reading, then an"
5650    PRINT "error occurred in the HP-IB transfer."
5660    PRINT
5670    GOTO Record_results
5680    Fail:!
5690    PRINT
5700    PRINT Inst_id$;" failed to acquire a"
5710    PRINT "signal."
5720    PRINT
5730    GOSUB Ready_start
5740    PRINT
5750    GOTO Record_results
5760    ! End of Chk12
5770    !
5780    Chk13:!
5790    Test_number=13
5800    Title$="'FMRATE'"
5810    GOSUB Print_title
5820    REMOTE Address
5830    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
5840    PRINT "Checkpoint 13 tests the 'FMRATE' HP-IB command."
5850    PRINT
5860    PRINT "Input a 1 GHz signal at -5 dBm to Input 1 of the ";Inst_id$;"."
5870    PRINT
5880    GOSUB Ready_start
5890    OUTPUT Address;"AUTO;FMRATE,NORMAL"
5900    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
5910    Title$="'FMRATE', NORMAL"
5920    GOSUB Sub_title
5930    PRINT
5940    PRINT "Verify that the INT, REM, LSN, FM NORM, and AUTO annunciators are on. The OPEN"
5950    PRINT "annunciator should be flashing."
5960    PRINT
5970    GOSUB Ready_start
5980    OUTPUT Address;"FMRATE,LOW"
5990    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
6000    Title$="'FMRATE', LOW"
6010    GOSUB Sub_title
6020    PRINT
6030    PRINT "Verify that the INT, REM, LSN, FM LOW, and AUTO annunciators are on. The OPEN"
6040    PRINT "annunciator should be flashing."
6050    PRINT
6060    GOTO Record_results
6070    ! End of Chk13
6080    !
6090    Chk14:!
6100    Test_number=14
6110    Title$="'SRQMASK'"
6120    GOSUB Print_title
6130    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
6140    REMOTE Address
6150    PRINT "Checkpoint 14 tests the 'SRQMASK' HP-IB command."
6160    PRINT
6170    PRINT "Set the signal source to output a 1 GHz signal at a level of 0 dBM"
6180    GOSUB Ready_start
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6190    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
6200    Title$="MEASUREMENT COMPLETE bit"
6210    GOSUB Sub_title
6220    PRINT
6230    PRINT "This section tests the MEASUREMENT COMPLETE bit of the status byte of"
6240    PRINT "the ";Inst_id$;"."
6250    PRINT
6260    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
6270    OUTPUT Address;"SAMPLE,HOLD;SRQMASK,2"
6280    GOSUB Ready_start
6290    ON INTR 7 GOTO Meas_intr
6300    ENABLE INTR 7;2
6310    OUTPUT Address;"TRIGGER"
6320    WAIT 2
6330    OFF INTR 7
6340    Fail_measure:!
6350    PRINT Inst_id$;" FAILED the MEASUREMENT COMPLETE bit test."
6360    GOTO Meas_done
6370    Meas_intr:!
6380    OFF INTR 7
6390    STATUS 7,1;B
6400    S=SPOLL(Address)
6410    PRINT "THE SPOLL IS ";S
6420    IF BIT(S,1) THEN GOTO Pass_measure
6430    GOTO Fail_measure
6440    Pass_measure:!
6450    PRINT Inst_id$;" PASSED the MEASUREMENT COMPLETE bit test."
6460    Meas_done:!
6470    PRINT
6480    GOSUB Ready_start
6490    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
6500    Title$="LOCAL bit"
6510    GOSUB Sub_title
6520    PRINT
6530    PRINT "This section tests the LOCAL bit of the status bytes of the ";Inst_id$;"."
6540    PRINT
6550    OUTPUT Address;"SRQMASK,16"
6560    GOSUB Ready_start
6570    ON INTR 7 GOTO Srq_intr
6580    ENABLE INTR 7;2
6590    LOCAL Address! SHOULD SET LCL BIT
6600    WAIT 1
6610    OFF INTR 7
6620    Fail_local:!
6630    PRINT Inst_id$;" FAILED the LOCAL bit test."
6640    GOTO Done_srq
6650    Srq_intr:!
6660    OFF INTR 7
6670    STATUS 7,1;B
6680    S=SPOLL(Address)
6690    PRINT "THE SPOLL IS ";S
6700    IF BIT(S,4) THEN GOTO Pass_local
6710    GOTO Fail_local
6720    Pass_local:!
6730    PRINT Inst_id$;" PASSED the LOCAL bit test."
6740    Done_srq:!
6750    PRINT
6760    GOSUB Ready_start
6770    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
6780    Title$="ERROR bit"
6790    GOSUB Sub_title
6800    PRINT
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6810    PRINT "This section tests the ERROR bit of the status byte of the ";Inst_id$;"."
6820    PRINT
6830    OUTPUT Address;"SRQMASK,4"
6840    GOSUB Ready_start
6850    ON INTR 7 GOTO Error_intr
6860    ENABLE INTR 7;2
6870    OUTPUT Address;"MANUAL,9E+99" ! Error condition
6880    WAIT 1
6890    OFF INTR 7
6900    Fail_error:!
6910    PRINT Inst_id$;" FAILED the ERROR bit test."
6920    GOTO Done_error
6930    Error_intr:!
6940    OFF INTR 7
6950    STATUS 7,1;B
6960    S=SPOLL(Address)
6970    PRINT "THE SPOLL IS ";S
6980    IF BIT(S,2) THEN GOTO Pass_error
6990    GOTO Fail_error
7000    Pass_error:!
7010    PRINT Inst_id$;" PASSED the ERROR bit test."
7020    Done_error:!
7030    OUTPUT Address;"RESET"
7040    PRINT
7050    GOSUB Ready_start
7060    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
7070    Title$="OUTPUT DATA READY bit"
7080    GOSUB Sub_title
7090    PRINT
7100    PRINT "This section tests the OUTPUT DATA READY bit of the status byte of the"
7110    PRINT Inst_id$;"."
7120    PRINT
7130    OUTPUT Address;"SRQMASK,1"
7140    GOSUB Ready_start
7150    ON INTR 7 GOTO Ready_intr
7160    ENABLE INTR 7;2
7170    OUTPUT Address;"ID?"
7180    WAIT 1
7190    OFF INTR 7
7200    Fail_ready:!
7210    PRINT Inst_id$;" FAILED the OUTPUT DATA READY bit test."
7220    GOTO Done_ready
7230    Ready_intr:!
7240    PRINT
7250    OFF INTR 7
7260    STATUS 7,1;B
7270    S=SPOLL(Address)
7280    PRINT "THE SPOLL IS ";S
7290    ENTER Address;Setup$
7300    IF BIT(S,0) THEN GOTO Pass_ready
7310    GOTO Fail_ready
7320    Pass_ready:!
7330    PRINT Inst_id$;" PASSED the OUTPUT DATA READY bit test."
7340    Done_ready:!
7350    PRINT
7360    !OUTPUT Address;"SRQMASK,4"
7370    GOTO Record_results
7380    ! End of Chk14
7390    !
7400    Chk15:!
7410    Test_number=15
7420    Title$="'DUMP'"
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7430    GOSUB Print_title
7440    REMOTE Address
7450    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
7460    PRINT "Checkpoint 15 tests the 'DUMP' HP-IB command."
7470    PRINT
7480    Hookup:!
7490    PRINT "Connect a 1 GHz signal at -5 dBm to Input 1 of the ";Inst_id$;"."
7500    PRINT
7510    PRINT "Press ENTER to begin DUMPING data from the ";Inst_id$;" to the controller."
7520    PRINT "Ten measurements will be taken and displayed."
7530    PRINT
7540    GOSUB Ready_start
7550    REMOTE Address
7560    ENTER Address;Meas_data
7570    IF Meas_data=1.E+38 THEN GOTO Hookup
7580    OUTPUT Address;"MANUAL,LASTF;RESOL,4;DUMP,ON"
7590    PRINT "MEAS# DATA"
7600    FOR I=1 TO 10
7610    ENTER Address;Ascii_data
7620    WAIT .300
7630    PRINT I,Ascii_data,"*10       KHz"
7640    NEXT I
7650    PRINT
7660    OUTPUT Address;"DUMP,OFF"
7670    GOTO Record_results
7680    ! End of Chk15
7690    !
7700    Chk16:  !
7710    Test_number=16
7720    Title$="PULSE MEASUREMENT"
7730    GOSUB Print_title
7740    PRINT "BEFORE TESTING CHK 16, BE SURE TO MAKE ALL SET-UP AND CONNECTIONS AS
        OUTLINED IN THE MANUAL."
7750    OUTPUT Address;"FREQ"
7760    REMOTE Address
7770    PRINT
7780    PRINT
7790    PRINT "CHECKPOINT 16 TESTS THE 'PULSE FREQUENCY' HP-IB COMMAND."
7800    PRINT
7810    GOSUB Ready_start
7820    ENTER Address;Meas_data
7830    Title$="PULSE FREQUENCY"
7840    GOSUB Sub_title
7850    PRINT
7860    PRINT "VERIFY THE COUNTER DISPLAYS APPROX 1 GHZ PULSE"
7870    PRINT
7880    PRINT
7890    GOSUB Ready_start
7900    Title$="PULSE WIDTH MEASUREMENT"
7910    GOSUB Print_title
7920    OUTPUT Address;"PWID"
7930    OUTPUT Address;"AVER,100"
7940    REMOTE Address
7950    PRINT "CHECKPOINT 16 TESTS THE 'PULSE WIDTH' HP-IB COMMAND."
7960    PRINT
7970    GOSUB Ready_start
7980    ENTER Address;Meas_data
7990    Title$="PULSE WIDTH"
8000    GOSUB Sub_title
8010    PRINT
8020    PRINT "VERIFY THE COUNTER DISPLAYS APPROX .100 MICRO SEC PW"
8030    PRINT
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8040    GOSUB Ready_start
8050    Title$="P OFFT MEASUREMENT"
8060    GOSUB Print_title
8070    OUTPUT Address;"OFFT"
8080    OUTPUT Address;"AVER,100"
8090    REMOTE Address
8100    PRINT "CHECKPOINT 16 TESTS THE 'OFFT' HP-IB COMMAND"
8110    PRINT
8120    GOSUB Ready_start
8130    ENTER Address;Meas_data
8140    Title$="P OFFT TIME"
8150    GOSUB Sub_title
8160    PRINT
8170    PRINT "VERIFY THE COUNTER DISPLAYS APPROX .500 MICRO SEC OFF"
8180    PRINT
8190    GOSUB Ready_start
8200    Title$="PRI MEASUREMENT"
8210    GOSUB Print_title
8220    OUTPUT Address;"PRI"
8230    OUTPUT Address;"AVER,100"
8240    REMOTE Address
8250    PRINT "CHECKPOINT 16 TESTS THE 'PRI MEASUREMENT' HP-IB COMMAND"
8260    PRINT
8270    GOSUB Ready_start
8280    ENTER Address;Meas_data
8290    Title$="PULSE REP INTERVAL"
8300    GOSUB Sub_title
8310    PRINT
8320    PRINT "VERIFY THE COUNTER DISPLAYS APPROX .600 MICRO SEC PRI"
8330    PRINT
8340    GOSUB Ready_start
8350    Title$="PULSE REP FREQUENCY"
8360    GOSUB Print_title
8370    OUTPUT Address;"PRF"
8380    OUTPUT Address;"AVER,100"
8390    REMOTE Address
8400    PRINT "CHECKPOINT 16 TESTS THE 'PRF' HP-IB COMMAND"
8410    PRINT
8420    GOSUB Ready_start
8430    ENTER Address;Meas_data
8440    Title$="PULSE REP FREQUENCY"
8450    GOSUB Sub_title
8460    PRINT
8470    PRINT "VERIFY THE COUNTER DISPLAYS APPROX 1663781 PRF"
8480    PRINT
8490    GOTO Record_results
8500    ! END OF CHK16
8510    Chk17:!
8520    Test_number=17
8530    Title$="CHECK ALL ADDRESSES"
8540    GOSUB Print_title
8550    REMOTE Address
8560    OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
8570    PRINT "Checkpoint 17 tests all of the valid HP-IB addresses except 21, which is"
8580    PRINT "the address of the controller."
8590    PRINT
8600    PRINT "TEST DESCRIPTION"
8610    PRINT
8620    PRINT "EACH ADDRESS TO BE TESTED IS MANUALLY SET ON REAR OF INSTRUMENT. PROGRAM WILL"
8630    PRINT "TEST IT WHEN TEST SOFTKEY IS PRESSED. THEN, NEXT ADDRESS IS SET ON INSTRUMENT,"
8640    PRINT "THE INCR SOFTKEY IS PRESSED TO INCREMENT PROGRAM TO NEXT ADDRESS, AND TEST"
8650    PRINT "IS DONE. A RUNNING TOTAL OF TESTS, PASSES, AND FAILS ARE LOGGED BY THE PROGRAM."
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8660    PRINT
8670    GOSUB Ready_start
8680    Fail_counter=0! Reset fail counter
8690    Pass_counter=0! Reset pass counter
8700    FOR Address=700         TO 730
8710    IF Address=721 THEN GOTO Incr_address
8720    Re_test:        !
8730    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
8740    LOCAL 7
8750    PRINT
8760    PRINT "On the ";Inst_id$;", SET ADDRESS TO BE TESTED AT REAR PANEL DIP SWITCH,"
8770    PRINT
8780    PRINT "CYCLE POWER TO CAUSE INSTRUMENT TO RECOGNIZED ANY CHANGES MADE."
8790    PRINT
8800    PRINT "WAIT FOR INSTRUMENT TO FINISH POWER UP ROUTINE BEFOR TESTING."
8810    PRINT
8820    PRINT
8830    GOSUB Clear_keys
8840    ON KEY 1 LABEL "INCR" GOTO Incr_address
8850    ON KEY 6 LABEL " " GOTO Incr_address
8860    ON KEY 2 LABEL "EXIT" GOTO Exit_test1
8870    ON KEY 7 LABEL " " GOTO Exit_test1
8880    ON KEY 3 LABEL "TEST" GOTO Test_address
8890    ON KEY 8 LABEL " " GOTO Test_address
8900    PRINT "Press TEST to test current HP-IB address ";Address
8910    PRINT "Press INCR to skip to HP-IB address - ";
8920    IF Address=720 THEN
8930    PRINT Address+2
8940    ELSE
8950    IF Address<>730 THEN
8960    PRINT Address+1
8970    ELSE
8980    PRINT "NONE."
8990    END IF
9000    END IF
9010    PRINT
9020    PRINT
9030    PRINT "PRESS EXIT TO TERMINATE THIS CHECKPOINT."
9040    GOSUB Wait_for_key
9050    Test_address:!
9060    GOSUB Keys_off
9070    ON TIMEOUT 7,3 GOTO No_response
9080    REMOTE Address
9090    OUTPUT Address;"ID?"
9100    ENTER Address;Id_data$
9110    IF Id_data$=Inst_id$ THEN GOTO Incr_pass
9120    No_response:!
9130    OFF TIMEOUT 7
9140    PRINT
9150    Fail_counter=Fail_counter+1! Increment fail counter
9160    Fail_address(Fail_counter)=Address! Store passed address
9170    PRINT
9180    PRINT Inst_id$;" does not respond at address ";Address
9190    BEEP 250,.15
9200    WAIT .1
9210    BEEP 250,.15
9220    PRINT
9230    GOSUB Ready_start
9240    GOTO Re_test
9250    Incr_pass:!
9260    OFF TIMEOUT 7
9270    Pass_counter=Pass_counter+1! Increment pass ctr
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9280    Pass_address(Pass_counter)=Address !Store pass address
9290    PRINT
9300    PRINT Inst_id$;" responds at address ";Address
9310    PRINT
9320    GOSUB Ready_start
9330    GOTO Re_test
9340    Incr_address:!
9350    GOSUB Keys_off
9360    ABORT 7
9370    CLEAR Address
9380    NEXT Address
9390    Exit_test1:!
9400    GOSUB Keys_off
9410    ABORT 7
9420    CLEAR Address
9430    IF Pass_counter=0 THEN GOTO No_pass_addr
9440    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
9450    PRINT "The ";Inst_id$;" responded at the following addresses:"
9460    FOR I=1 TO Pass_counter
9470    PRINT " ";Pass_address(I)
9480    NEXT I
9490    No_pass_addr:!
9500    IF Fail_counter=0 THEN GOTO No_address
9510    PRINT
9520    PRINT Inst_id$;" failed to respond at the following addresses:"
9530    PRINT
9540    FOR I=1 TO Fail_counter
9550    PRINT " ";Fail_address(I)
9560    NEXT I
9570    GOTO Finish_address
9580    No_address:!
9590    IF Pass_counter0 THEN GOTO Finish_address
9600    PRINT
9610    PRINT "No addresses were tested."
9620    Finish_address:!
9630    PRINT
9640    GOSUB Ready_start
9650    OFF TIMEOUT 7
9660    GOSUB Begin_search
9670    GOTO Record_results
9680    ! End of Chk17
9690    !
9700    !
9710    Final_exit: !
9720    PRINT "HP-IB VERIFICATION DONE"
9730    GOTO Exit_opver
9740    Error_exit: !
9750    PRINT ERRM$
9760    Exit_opver: !
9770    CONTROL 1,12;0
9780    RESET 7
9790    PRINTER IS CRT
9800    STOP    ! End of program
9810    !*************************************************************************
9820    !                          SUBROUTINES SECTION
9830    !*************************************************************************
9840    Begin_search:  ! SEARCH FOR 5361A/B ADDRESS
9850    OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
9860    PRINT "SEARCHING FOR HP COUNTER AT ADDRESS";
9870    ON TIMEOUT 7,.4 GOTO Try_another
9880    FOR Address=700         TO 731
9890    IF Address=721 THEN GOTO Try_another! SKIP CONTROLLER
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9900    IF Address=Ptr_add THEN GOTO Try_another! COUNTER ADDRESS SHOULD NOT BE EQUAL TO THE
        PRINTER ADDRESS
9910    OUTPUT CRT;Address;CHR$(8);CHR$(8);CHR$(8);CHR$(8);
9920    REMOTE Address
9930    OUTPUT Address;"ID?"
9940    ENTER Address;Inst_id$
9950    IF (Inst_id$="HP5361A" or Inst_ID$="HP5361B") THEN GOTO Found_one
9960    Try_another: !
9970    ABORT 7
9980    CLEAR Address
9990    NEXT Address
10000   BEEP 550,.15
10010   WAIT .1
10020   BEEP 150,.15
10030   PRINT
10040   PRINT
10050   PRINT "NO COUNTER WAS FOUND ON THE HP-IB. CHECK ALL CONNECTIONS AND SWITCH SETTINGS."
10060   PRINT
10070   PRINT " BE SURE THAT THE ADDRESS OF THE PRINTER IS NOT THE SAME AS THE COUNTER."
10080   PRINT
10090   PRINT "RESTART PROGRAM"
10100   GOSUB Ready_start
10110   DISP Inst_id$
10120   GOTO Error_exit ! GOTO SKIP_PRINT ! TRY AGAIN
10130   Found_one:!
10140   PRINT
10150   PRINT
10160   PRINT Inst_id$;" FOUND AT ADDRESS ";VAL$(Address);"."
10170   BEEP 800,.03
10180   WAIT 3
10190   OFF TIMEOUT 7
10200   RETURN
10210   Record_results:!
10220   BEEP 800,.03
10230   INPUT "Press ENTER to record the results. ",Dummy$
10240   PRINT
10250   PRINT " Press the appropriate softkey to record the results of CHECKPOINT";
        Test_number;"."
10260   GOSUB Clear_keys
10270   ON KEY 1 LABEL " PASS" GOTO Pass_test
10280   ON KEY 6 LABEL " " GOTO Pass_test
10290   ON KEY 4 LABEL " FAIL" GOTO Fail_test
10300   ON KEY 9 LABEL " " GOTO Fail_test
10310   GOSUB Wait_for_key
10320   Pass_test:!
10330   GOSUB Keys_off
10340   Test_results$(Test_number)="PASS"
10350   GOTO Next_checkpt
10360   Fail_test:!
10370   GOSUB Keys_off
10380   Test_results$(Test_number)="FAIL"
10390   Next_checkpt:! Determine next checkpoint to be executed
10400   IF Test_number=18 THEN RETURN
10410   OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
10420   PRINT "Current checkpoint: ";Test_number
10430   PRINT
10440   PRINT "Press the appropriate softkey to select the desired checkpoint..."
10450   PRINT
10460   PRINT "NEXT - Press K1 to perform the next checkpoint,"
10470   PRINT "EXIT - Press K2 to end the program,"
10480   PRINT "REPEAT - Press K3 to repeat this checkpoint, or"
10490   PRINT "GOTO# - Press K4 to select an arbitrary checkpoint."
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10500  GOSUB Clear_keys
10510  ON KEY 1 LABEL " NEXT" GOTO Next_test
10520  ON KEY 6 LABEL " " GOTO Next_test
10530  ON KEY 2 LABEL " EXIT" GOTO Exit_test
10540  ON KEY 7 LABEL " " GOTO Exit_test
10550  ON KEY 3 LABEL " REPEAT" GOTO Repeat_test
10560  ON KEY 8 LABEL " " GOTO Repeat_test
10570  ON KEY 4 LABEL " GOTO #" GOTO Test_entry
10580  ON KEY 9 LABEL " " GOTO Test_entry
10590  GOSUB Wait_for_key
10600  First_check:! Determines the first checkpoint to execute
10610  OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
10620  PRINT "Press the softkey to select the desired checkpoint."
10630  PRINT
10640  PRINT "FIRST - Press K1 to perform the first checkpoint,"
10650  PRINT "EXIT - Press K2 to end the program, or"
10660  PRINT "GOTO# - Press K4 to select an arbitrary checkpoint."
10670  GOSUB Clear_keys
10680  ON KEY 1 LABEL " FIRST" GOTO First_test
10690  ON KEY 6 LABEL " " GOTO First_test
10700  ON KEY 2 LABEL " EXIT" GOTO Exit_test
10710  ON KEY 7 LABEL " " GOTO Exit_test
10720  ON KEY 4 LABEL " GOTO #" GOTO Test_entry
10730  ON KEY 9 LABEL " " GOTO Test_entry
10740  GOSUB Wait_for_key
10750  Key_trap:!
10760  DISP "Wrong key pressed. Try again.";CHR$(7)
10770  RETURN
10780  Wait_for_key:!
10790  CONTROL 1,12;0
10800  DISP
10810  Loop:GOTO Loop
10820  Keys_off:!
10830  CONTROL 1,12;1
10840  RETURN
10850  Ready_start:!
10860  BEEP 800,.03
10870  INPUT "Press ENTER to continue. ",Dummy$
10880  RETURN
10890  Print_title:! Display checkpoint title
10900  OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
10910  PRINT
10920  PRINT TAB(34);"CHECKPOINT";Test_number
10930  GOSUB Sub_title
10940  PRINT Horiz_line$
10950  BEEP 800,.03
10960  INPUT "Press ENTER to start the test.",Dummy$
10970  OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
10980  RETURN
10990  Sub_title:!
11000  PRINT
11010  PRINT
11020  PRINT
11030  PRINT
11040  PRINT TAB(INT((80-(LEN(TRIM$(Title$))))/2));Title$
11050  RETURN
11060  First_test:!
11070  GOSUB Keys_off
11080  Checkpoint=1
11090  GOTO Branch_checkpt
11100  Next_test:!
11110  GOSUB Keys_off
```

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11120  Checkpoint=Test_number+1
11130  GOTO Branch_checkpt
11140  Exit_test:!
11150  Checkpoint=0
11160  GOTO Branch_checkpt
11170  Repeat_test:!
11180  GOSUB Keys_off
11190  Checkpoint=Test_number
11200  GOTO Branch_checkpt
11210  Test_entry:!
11220  GOSUB Keys_off
11230  OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
11240  Title$="CHECKPOINT SUMMARY"
11250  GOSUB Sub_title
11260  PRINT
11270  GOSUB Menu
11280  INPUT "Type the checkpoint number desired (1 to 17), and press ENTER. ",Test_number
11290  IF (Test_number <1) OR (Test_number >17) THEN GOTO Integer_error
11300  Checkpoint=Test_number
11310  GOTO Branch_checkpt
11320  Integer_error:!
11330  DISP "Please enter an integer only, 1 through 17.";CHR$(7)
11340  GOTO Test_entry
11350  Branch_checkpt:!
11360  IF (Checkpoint=0 OR Checkpoint=18) THEN GOTO Print_results
11370  ON Checkpoint GOTO Chk1, Chk2, Chk3, Chk4, Chk5, Chk6, Chk7, Chk8, Chk9, Chk10, Chk11,
       Chk12, Chk13, Chk14, Chk15, Chk16, Chk17
11380  Print_results:!
11390  PRINTER IS CRT
11400  OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
11410  PRINT "Do you wish to have a hardcopy of the results?"
11420  GOSUB Clear_keys
11430  ON KEY 1 LABEL " YES" GOTO Print_it
11440  ON KEY 6 LABEL " " GOTO Print_it
11450  ON KEY 4 LABEL " NO" GOTO No_print
11460  ON KEY 9 LABEL " " GOTO No_print
11470  GOSUB Wait_for_key
11480  RETURN
11490  Clear_keys: !
11500  CONTROL 1,12;0 ! KEY LABELS ON
11510  ON KEY 0 LABEL " " GOSUB Key_trap
11520  ON KEY 1 LABEL " " GOSUB Key_trap
11530  ON KEY 2 LABEL " " GOSUB Key_trap
11540  ON KEY 3 LABEL " " GOSUB Key_trap
11550  ON KEY 4 LABEL " " GOSUB Key_trap
11560  ON KEY 5 LABEL " " GOSUB Key_trap
11570  ON KEY 6 LABEL " " GOSUB Key_trap
11580  ON KEY 7 LABEL " " GOSUB Key_trap
11590  ON KEY 8 LABEL " " GOSUB Key_trap
11600  ON KEY 9 LABEL " " GOSUB Key_trap
11610  RETURN
11620  Menu:!
11630  CONTROL 1,12;1
11640  Title$="5361A/B CHECKPOINT SUMMARY"
11650  GOSUB Sub_title
11660  PRINT
11670  PRINT " 1 'REMOTE', 'LOCAL LOCKOUT', 'LOCAL' ** 9 'SAMPLE' and 'TRIGGER'"
11680  PRINT " 2 Self Check ('TEST?') ** 10 'RESOL' and 'HIRESOL'"
11690  PRINT " 3 'DISPLAY' ** 11 'OFFSET', 'SCALE', and 'SMOOTH'"
11700  PRINT " 4 'INIT' and 'RESET' ** 12 'AUTO' and 'MANUAL'"
11710  PRINT " 5 'REF' and 'OVEN' ** 13 'FMRATE'"
11720  PRINT " 6 'ERR?' ** 14 'SRQMASK'"
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```
11730   PRINT " 7 'SET' and 'SET?' ** 15 'DUMP'"
11740   PRINT " 8 'LOWZ' and 'HIGHZ' ** 16 'PULSE MEASUREMENT"
11750   PRINT " ** 17 'CHECK ALL ADDRESS'"
11760   RETURN
11770   Print_it:!
11780   GOSUB Keys_off
11790   OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
11800   PRINTER IS Ptr_add
11810   ON ERROR GOTO Prnt_stuck
11820   ON TIMEOUT Ptr_add DIV 100,1 GOTO Prnt_stuck
11830   OUTPUT Ptr_add USING "#,K";" "! TEST FOR RESPONSE
11840   OFF TIMEOUT
11850   OFF ERROR
11860   GOTO No_print
11870   Prnt_stuck:!
11880   CONTROL 1,12;1
11890   DISP (Ptr_add);" NOT RESPONDING. CHECK PRINTER IS ON, & ADDRESS & HOOK-UP IS CORRECT."
11900   BEEP 600,.3
11910   WAIT 3
11920   OFF TIMEOUT
11930   OFF ERROR
11940   GOTO Print_results
11950   No_print:!
11960   GOSUB Keys_off
11970   OUTPUT KBD;CHR$(255)&"K";
11980   Title$="CHECKPOINT RESULTS"
11990   GOSUB Sub_title
12000   PRINT Horiz_line$
12010   PRINT
12020   PRINT "Counter: ";Inst_id$;" at address";Address
12030   PRINT
12040   FOR Test_number=1 TO 8
12050   PRINT " ";Test_number;TAB(8);Test_results$(Test_number);
12060   PRINT TAB(30);8+Test_number;TAB(34);Test_results$(8+Test_number)
12070   NEXT Test_number
12080   PRINT TAB(30);17;TAB(34);Test_results$(17);
12090   PRINT
12100   PRINT
12110   PRINTER IS CRT
12120   OUTPUT Address;"INIT"
12130   LOCAL 7
12140   GOTO Final_exit
12150   END
```

APPENDIX

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# ADVANCED MEASUREMENTS AND PROFILING

## APPENDIX GUIDE

This appendix provides you with information about complex or specialized measurement techniques. The procedures may require you to provide either a gating or arming signal to the front panel GATE/ARM IN connector from an external source. Alternatively, you may need additional knowledge of the input signal as during chirped radar-pulse frequency measurements. The Auto Profiling capabilities of the HP 5361B are also explained for both frequency and phase measurements.

External gating and arming are compared and discussed in concept then explained in detail. External gating is first followed by external arming and chirped radar-pulse frequency measurements. A discussion of Frequency and Phase Profile measurement considerations follows information about gating and arming. Examples of signal timing and monitoring are shown in *Figure D- 1,* GATE/ARM IN Timing Waveforms and *Figure D-3* Profile Timing Waveforms.

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## WHY YOU MAY NEED EXTERNAL GATING OR ARMING

For routine applications, the 5361B will automatically gate and arm most of your pulsed or CW measurements. However, there are some situations where you may need to control gating and arming to obtain more information about the input signal. This is where you can to take advantage of the External Gating and External Arming features of the HP 5361B. The following paragraphs describe how to choose whether you need External Gating or Arming.

### Gating vs Arming

Both External Gating and External Arming control "when" the measurement is made. An external gate signal determines the time interval during which the 5361B will count. The GATE input is level sensitive. The External Gate signal applied to the front panel GATE/ARM IN connector must pull TTL logic low to define the measurement interval onset. This feature lets you measure transient CW signals or characterize the frequency profile within a pulse burst.

External Arming enables the counter to make a measurement on the next pulse following the ARM input. You can therefore selectively "ignore" signals that might otherwise be measured. The arming input is "falling edge" sensitive and must be applied prior to each measurement of interest. This lets you measure the Pulse Width or the RF frequency of a particular pulse within a group of pulses.

## THE SCOPE-VIEW OUTPUT

Previously, the measurements discussed above were difficult and tedious. The HP 5361B helps you overcome the timing problems by providing a unique form of visual feedback via the SCOPE-VIEW front panel output. This output signal combines both gate and digitized IF information to help ensure you are measuring exactly what you want to measure.

The SCOPE-VIEW output is very useful when setting up these measurements so you can "see" exactly where the frequency measurements are being made. It is not necessary to insert delay elements or do calculations and hope that the measurement is what you want. SCOPE-VIEW provides a time synchronized view of the IF in the counter and the actual gate used to make the measurement.

## EXTERNAL GATING DETAILS

To enable the External Gating mode of operation, press the GATE MODE key in the Control/Data key group. The annunciators in the LCD display cycle through the three gate mode selections. Make sure that it stops on the "EXT" annunciator.

## Connecting the External Gate Signal

The External Gate signal must drive a 1.5 kΩ load to 3.6 Volts. Most TTL and CMOS logic can do this. Other sources such as pulse generators may be used. The signal should terminate correctly to provide a TTL/CMOS compatible level (0 to +3 or +5 volts). The measurement starts when the gate goes low and stops when the gate is brought high. Most measurements need to be averaged and therefore require the gating signal to cycle accordingly.

## Timing the External Gate Signal

The actual measurement (See *Figure D-1/A*) always starts on the 2ND IF cycle that occurs after the External Gate signal goes low. This allows you to open the gate "a little early" on pulsed signals and still be assured that the measurement will be good. This is also true for making externally gated measurements on CW signals. Here, the use of SCOPE-VIEW is valuable to show you exactly where the measurement takes place. The measurement ends on the 2ND IF cycle that occurs after the External Gate signal goes high. If the gate is closed with no further IF cycles to end the measurement, then errors in the measurement will occur. Here again, observing the SCOPE-VIEW signal allows measurements to be made right up to the end of the pulse burst with no errors.

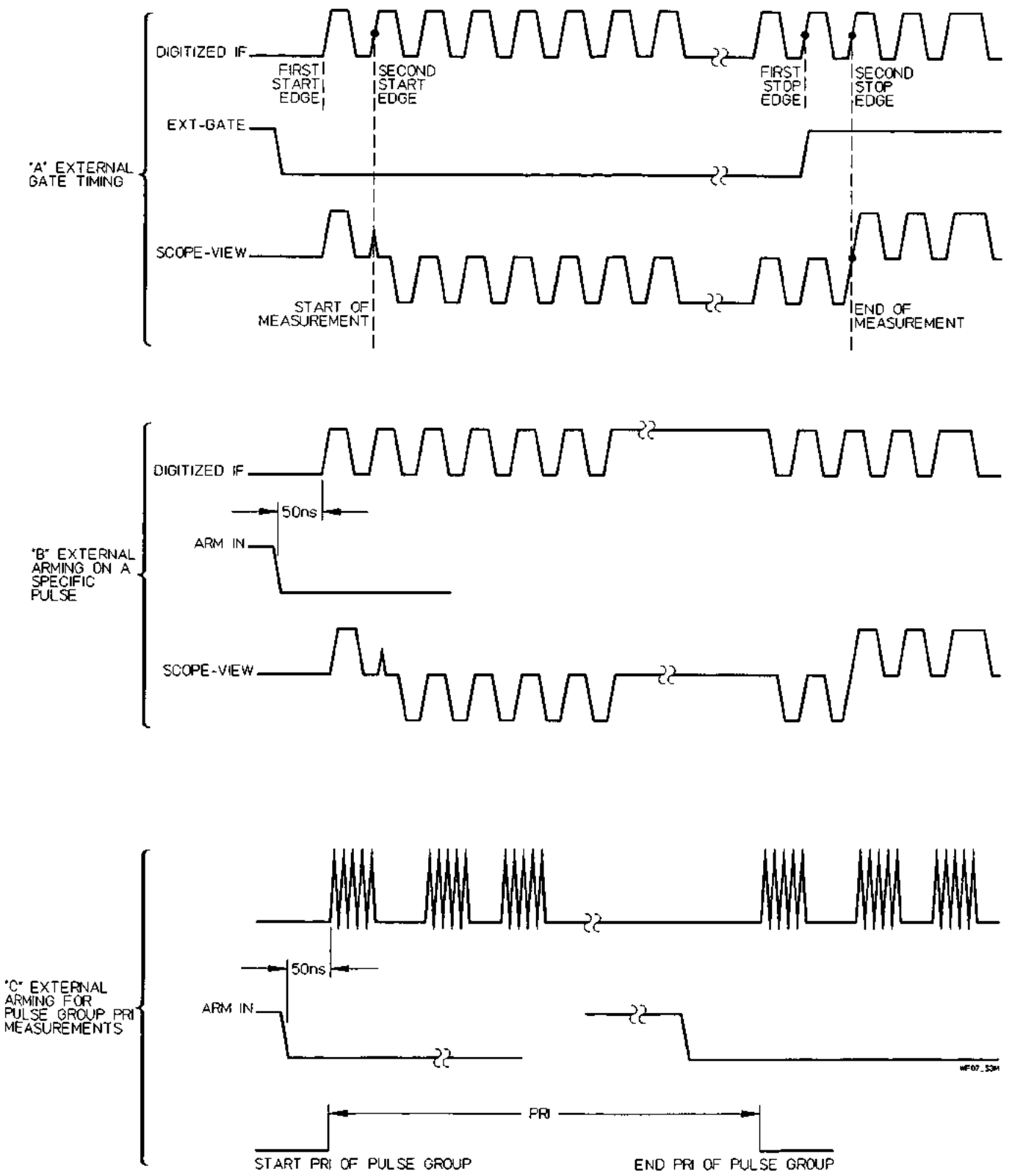



*Figure D-1. GATE/ARM IN Timing Waveforms*

## Gate Width vs Accuracy

External Gates as narrow as 20 ns can be used. This translates to measurements that are 1 or 2 IF cycles in length. There is a tradeoff between accuracy and the gate width. Therefore, it may be preferable to set the gate width to 100 nanoseconds and have overlapping gates when profiling rather than having a series of 50 nanosecond gates that are contiguous, that is, the gates will not overlap in time.

In general, the largest gate width should be used that meets the requirements of the total sweep over which a frequency measurement is made along with the need to resolve details of the frequency profile. In addition to providing greater accuracy, gate widths of 100 ns (or more) permit the counter to automatically acquire the signal and keep it within the IF passband. Typical numbers that may help in making these decisions are shown in the example below.

With a typical gate bias of 100 ps and a 100 ns gate width, the error is:

$$\frac{\text{Gate Bias}}{\text{Gate Width}} \times \text{Nominal IF} = \frac{100\text{ ps}}{100\text{ ns}} \times 70\text{ MHz} = 70\text{ kHz}$$

When the gate width is only half as wide, the error becomes:

$$\frac{100\text{ ps}}{50\text{ ns}} \times 70\text{ MHz} = 140\text{ kHz}$$

As you can see, the shorter gate produced twice as much error.

## Other Considerations

Because of the internal delays for different signals within the instrument, there is a limitation on how early you can remove the external gate prior to the end of a pulse. During usual operation, the external gate shouldn't be removed earlier than 50 ns from the start of the pulse. You can still use a 20 ns wide external gate as long as this requirement is met. The following information is provided to explain how this requirement affects typical measurements in either the Auto or Manual modes:

In AUTO mode, the external gate should be at least 60 ns wide. Hence, in AUTO mode, the requirement doesn't apply. If you are making measurements in the MANUAL mode, you can obtain greater accuracy for profiling pulse frequency by using a wider gate pulse as explained earlier. If you are in MANUAL mode and know that the input signal frequency is within 25/30 MHz of the programmed (set) center frequency, you can use extended function 63 to disable all internal IF range checks. This action removes the 50 ns gate requirement altogether. When EFUN 63 is active, the counter cannot automatically acquire the input signal.

External gating controls only the timing of the gate used to measure frequency. It won't affect any other measurements such as pulse envelope parameters or measurements made via Input 2. All Math Functions are usable as well as Extended Functions. Due to the pulsed

nature of this measurement, none of the FM Modes nor Track Mode are available as would normally be the case with CW. You will also see the PULSE message in the right hand portion of the display whenever external gate frequency measurements are being made. Acquisition times are similar to those normally encountered for pulsed signals equal (or greater than) in width to the gate.

## EXTERNAL ARMING DETAILS

To enable the Arming Mode of operation, press the GATE MODE key in the Control/Data key group. The annunciators in the LCD display will cycle through the three gate mode selections. Make sure that it stops at the "ARM" annunciator.

### Connecting the External Arm Signal

The Arming signal must also drive a 1.5 kΩ load to 3.6 volts as does the gating signal. Sources that drive a 50 Ω load need to be terminated so that the input level is compatible with TTL or CMOS logic (0 to +3 - +5 volts). The arming signal activates the counter on the "falling edge" of the arming input. Since most measurements require averaging, the arming edge needs to be applied prior to every measured pulse.

### Timing the External Arming Signal

Pulse frequency measurements (See *Figure D-1/B*) can easily be made by providing an arming edge 50 ns prior to the pulse of interest. The actual gate used is automatically set by the counter. You can monitor this via the SCOPE-VIEW output. The display shows how the counter measures only pulses of interest while rejecting all others.

In addition to measuring frequency, arming will also allow some unique and useful pulse envelope measurements. Pulse width measurements can also be made using the Arming Mode by, again, applying a falling edge 50 ns prior to the pulse of interest.

A measurement that can be quite useful is to determine the PRI of a pulse group, that is, the PRI of the groups (See *Figure D-1/C*). You can do this by using the ARM gate mode, but this time the counter is armed prior to each group. This requires two arming edges per measurement, the first to start the PRI measurement at the first group and the next arming edge to end the PRI measurement at the next pulse group. The process must be repeated according to the number of averages set.

### Chirped Pulse Measurements Using Extended Function 96

You can measure chirped radar pulses by using extended function 96. Extended Function 96 causes the HP 5361B to accommodate FM modulation or "chirp" present within the pulse burst. (10 MHz p-p in AUTO mode and 50 MHz p-p in MANUAL mode.) The HP 5361B

determines the carrier frequency of the pulse burst as the average frequency during the gate time. It makes this determination by generating a gate that does not exceed the length of the pulse burst.

The linear, uni-directional frequency change present in a chirp modulated signal requires a shorter gate time to ensure that the pulse burst has not ended before the gate has closed. This is what extended function 96 will do. Extended function 96 toggles ON or OFF and can be selected by pressing SET/ENTER, EXTEND FUNCT, 9, 6, SET/ENTER.

Two of the gate width related extended functions, EFUN 90 (set gate width in time) and EFUN 95 (set gate width by IF events) override EFUN 96. Toggling EFUN 96 has no effect on the measurement if either EFUN 90 or 95 width value is not zero. Therefore, when using EFUN 90 or 95 you must account for any chirp on the input signal and adjust the entered width value accordingly. Failure to do so may result in a gate width chosen by the counter that is longer than the pulse width of the input signal. If you suspect this, you can reprogram the gate width by examining the Scope-View output on an oscilloscope.

## PULSE/CW FREQUENCY PROFILING

Frequency profiling lets you look at signal frequency changes over your specified time range or the power-up default. The signal at INPUT 1 must be repetitive for this measurement process. The output results appear as a frequency vs time plot or table. In general, all other counter functions still operate as usual (Math functions, Manual/Auto, Sample Rate and the like).

You can use frequency profiling in one of two ways. The key distinction is the way you define Time Zero. (Refer to *Figure D-3*, Profile Timing Waveforms.) For pulsed signals this can be the beginning of the pulse. For "non pulsed" signals, another way of defining Time Zero is required. Here you can use the falling edge of an external gate signal to define Time Zero. This also works in cases where the signal is actually pulsed but you don't want to start (or reference) your measurement at the leading edge of the pulse.

The default values chosen by the HP 5361B will usually provide you with a good picture of frequency changes during the pulse or external gate window. The counter selects approximately 50 data points for the plot and scales it appropriately. It sends the plot (or tabular) information to a printer or, transfers the time and frequency information to a controller via HP-IB.

## Setting Up For Profiling

The HP 5361B can output the tabular or graphic profile data to a compatible printer. To do this, follow these simple steps: (Also see the Auto Pulse Profiling application example in section 1.)

- Set the sample rate to HOLD by pressing SET/ENTER, SAMPLE RATE, DEC, keys until the HOLD annunciator is lit, then press SET/ENTER.
- Connect a cable (model 10833A, 1 metre) from the HP-IB connector on the rear of the 5361B to one of the compatible printers (ThinkJet, QuietJet, or PaintJet — see EFUN 72).
- Set the printer to Listen Only Mode. This is done by setting the HP-IB address switch to "Listen Always" on the back of the printer, then cycling ac power.
- Now set the 5361B to Talk Only by setting the HP-IB address to 31. This can be done through the front panel using the key sequence SET/ENTER, HP-IB Address, 3,1, SET/ENTER.
- Press the FREQUENCY/PROFILE key once. (The entire profile sequence is explained in the next few paragraphs.)
- Select the desired resolution by pressing SET/ENTER, RESOLUTION, INC/DEC, SET/ENTER.
- When you want to begin the profiling process, press the TRIGGER key.

The counter can now send Graphic profile data to the printer. After the printer has completed its hardcopy printout, you can begin another profile measurement by pressing the TRIGGER key.

## Turning On the Profiling Function

Profiling is accessed the same way as the other measurement functions in the Function Key Group. The top key is labeled FREQUENCY/PROFILING. When the counter powers up it's in the Frequency Mode. Turn-on the Profiling Mode by pressing the Frequency/Profiling key. If you press this key again the counter toggles back to the Frequency measurement function.

You'll observe the word PROFILING- - - shown on the display while the counter is performing the profiling measurement. The profiling process can be observed by connecting the front panel SCOPE-VIEW output to any 100 MHz scope input. When the profiling process is over, the counter displays the average frequency over the profiling window.

If you're attempting to profile a CW sweep signal, you must provide the 5361B with an external gating input via the front panel Gate/Arm In connector. An active low TTL gate signal will define the window during which profiling occurs. Ensure that the counter's Gate mode is External by pressing the GATE MODE key once or twice (as needed) until the External gate annunciator (EXT) is lit.

As with regular pulse measurements, Extended Functions can be used to enhance and customize measurement details to fit your needs. Extended Functions 81 - 89 are specifically designed to give you added profiling flexibility and are described further in this section.

## Interpreting Printed Hardcopy Results

*Figure D-2* shows an example of the printed frequency profile plot output.

The frequency axis of the plot is scaled by the minimum and maximum values of the frequency measured and by determining a convenient scale factor (frequency per division). In general, increasing the average step width will increase the frequency resolution while trading-off the risetime response for a frequency hop. The scaling process also uses unfiltered data. The frequency spread of filtered data is typically a fraction of the frequency range on the entire grid.

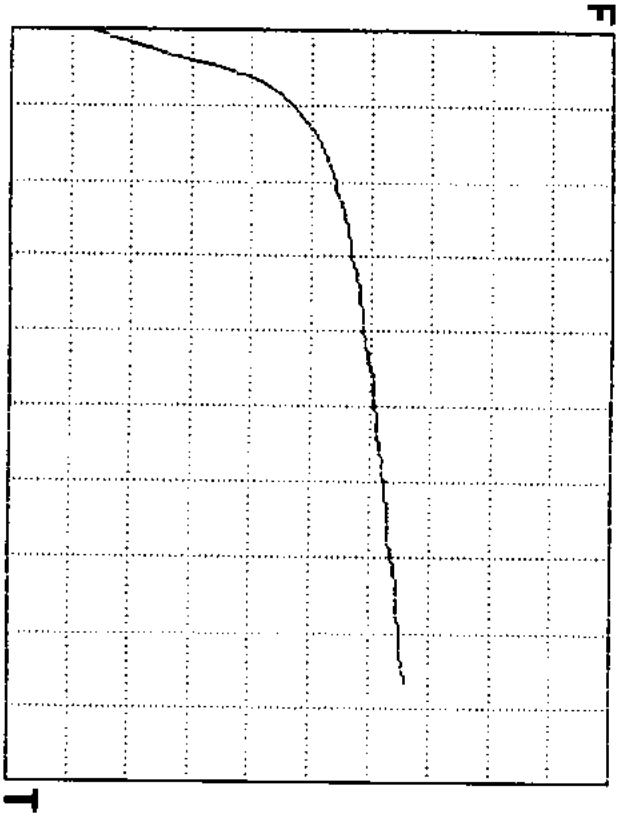
The time axis is automatically scaled based on start and stop times of the profile. Since the scale factor is set to a power-of-ten multiple of one, two, or five, the end of the plot axis typically exceeds the last plot data point. Each frequency data point is assigned to the start of the time interval.

When doing Externally Gated Profile measurements, the falling edge defines "time zero". *Figure D-3,* Profile Gate Timing shows the timing relationships involved in the Frequency profiling process with or without the presence of an external gate signal. Extended Functions 81 or 88 can also be used to set a delay from the External Gate "time zero" edge.

The ability to resolve small frequency changes in a pulsed signal is largely a function of the effective step or gate width. For the HP 5361B, this value appears under "Gate Information" on the frequency profile plot.

As the step size increases in time, the frequency resolution (or the ability to accurately measure small changes in frequency) gets better but the time domain resolution gets worse. The transition times of abrupt hops in frequency are degraded. You must decide which to optimize.

```
FREQUENCY PROFILE                ID = 000000.0002
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```
TIME PER DIVISION = 5000 ns
FREQ PER DIVISION = 1.000000E+05 Hz

Time axis :
   Start of time axis = 0 ns
    Stop of time axis = 50000 ns

Frequency axis :
     Top of freq axis = 1.3451523469E+10 Hz
  Bottom of freq axis = 1.3450523469E+10 Hz
    Average frequency = 1.3451085622E+10 Hz

Gate information :
   Average step width = 914 ns
      Number of steps = 49
  IF periods per step = 65
   Starting IF period = 0
            Gate mode = INT
   Number of averages = 3000

Set up :   Resolution = 1 Hz
               Offset = OFF
                Scale = OFF
        Filter status = ON
```

*Figure D-2. HP 5361B Frequency Profile Plot Output Example*

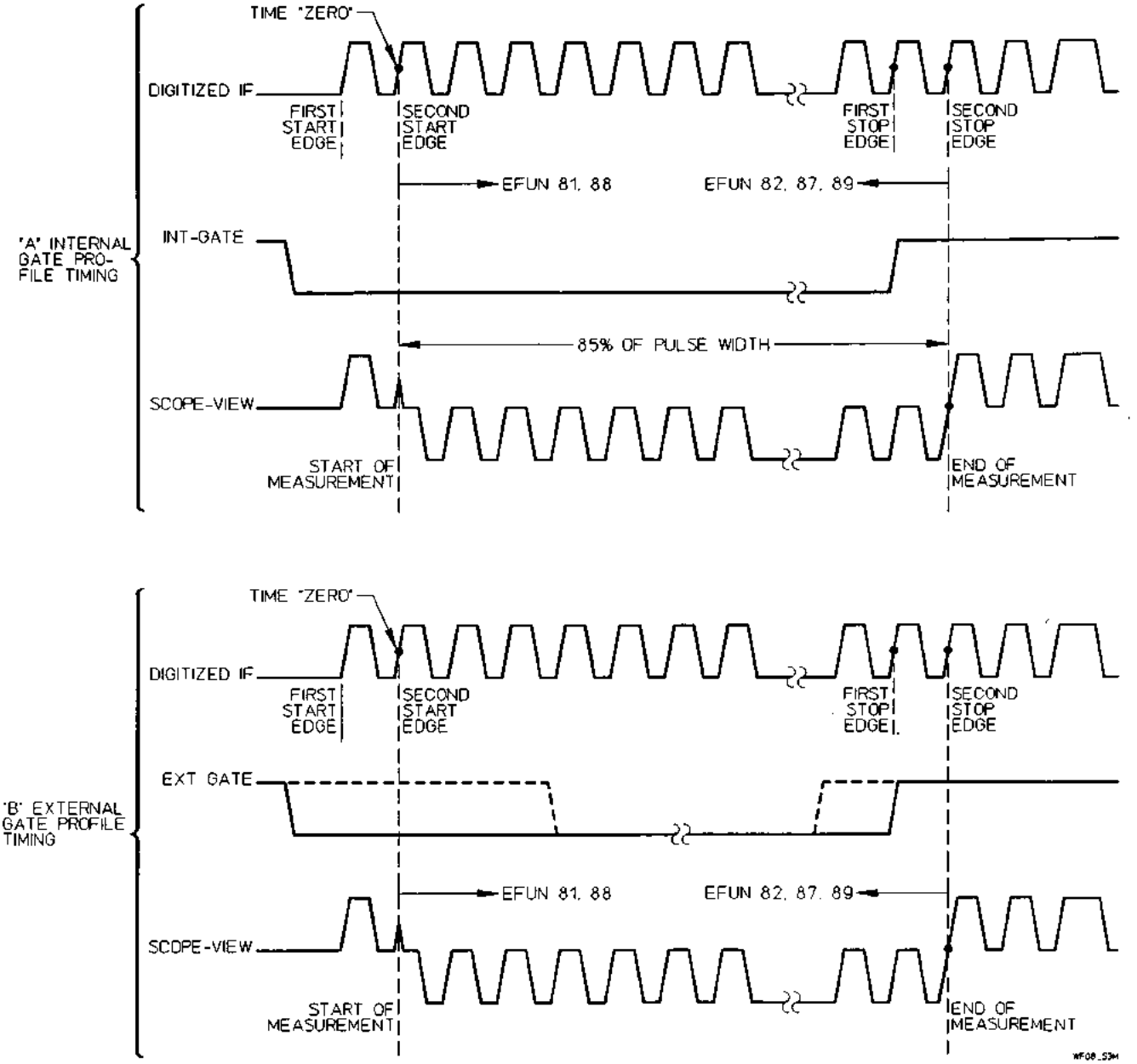



*Figure D-3 . Profile Timing Waveforms*

## Modifying the Measurement

You can customize the profile measurement process in ways similar to the other more standard Pulse/CW measurement functions. To start out, you may want a specific resolution or an identification prefix number for your hardcopy output. You may also want to start and stop your profile measurement exactly where you want rather than the default values.

The following paragraphs discuss how to make these measurement modifications and more:

**RESOLUTION**

Change the resolution in the usual way by pressing SET/ENTER, RESOLUTION, and then pressing the INC or DEC arrow keys until you have the resolution desired, then press SET/ENTER.

**SET START TIME**

The default start time is zero. This is defined at the leading edge of the pulse for internally gated measurements or the falling edge of the External Gate for externally gated measurements (see *Figure D-3*).

You can specify the beginning of the profiling measurement by calling Extended Function 81. Just press SET/ENTER, EXTENDED FUNCTION, 8,1, SET/ENTER. Now key in the value of Start Time you want to use and press SET/ENTER. This extended function uses the default units of microseconds.

You may also select another time unit by terminating the entry with one of the other numeric terminator keys such as nanoseconds or milliseconds. A decimal point must be within the first 4 digits if the entry is to be more than 4 digits long. The maximum value for Start Time is 9.999999 milliseconds.

*NOTE*

*Extended functions 81 and 82 require short-term signal stability of 70 kHz. If errors occur while attempting use of these extended functions because of input signal instability, you can still use Efuns 87, 88, and 89 to set up the measurement. The IF period will be 14 ns, nominal.*

*Refer also to the Note on page D-16 when using Efuns 87, 88, 89, along with 91.*

**SET STOP TIME**

The default stop time is approximately 85% of the pulse width or 85% of the External Gate width. The Stop time can be decreased below this default value by invoking Extended Function 82. (See *Figure D-3.*)

Call this function by pressing SET/ENTER, EXTENDED FUNCTION, 8, 2, SET/ENTER. The default unit of microseconds is used if SET/ENTER is pressed after the Stop time is entered. You may also select another time unit by terminating the entry with one of the other numeric terminator keys such as nanoseconds or milliseconds.

A decimal point must be within the first 4 digits if the entry is to be more than 4 digits long. The maximum value for Stop Time is 9.999999 ms. (You may also use Extended Function 90 or 95 to increase the default Stop time past the 85 percent pulse width limit along with Efun 82.)

**NUMBER OF DATA POINTS**

The default value for the number of data points is nominally 50 (FINE). The actual value can range from 37 to 75. If you want only a quick profile, use the COARSE profile rather than FINE profile.

This is a toggle function and can be switched from FINE (Default) to COARSE by calling Extended Function 83. Just press SET/ENTER, EXTENDED FUNCTION, 8, 3, SET/ENTER. The display briefly shows "COARSE DATA".

A COARSE profile consists of approximately 10 data points over the same time window. Setting the data points back to FINE is done by once again calling Extended Function 83 as described above. If there are fewer IF cycles in the pulse than the FINE or COARSE nominal value, then the number of data points will be less.

**OUTPUT CONTROL**

The default output sends graphic data to the printer when the HP-IB interface is properly configured and connected. You can also get just a table, or both a plot and table by controlling the output modes with Extended Function 84.

Just press SET/ENTER, EXTENDED FUNCTION, 8, 4, SET/ENTER. The display shows an asterisk denoting BOTH, PLT, or TBL. By entering the desired numeric choice (0,1,or 2) you can select the output mode. You'll need to terminate entry by pressing SET/ENTER.

**FILTER**

The FILTER function lets you obtain cleaner looking hardcopy results for slow frequency changes and data that is close to the counter's resolution capability. The filter is most useful when measuring signals that do not change rapidly compared to the average step width. The filter also helps improve the noise floor of the counter allowing better frequency resolution.

The FILTER function is ON as its default status. If you need to be able to plot very fast transitions in frequency, you can turn the filter OFF. This function toggles and is switched by calling Extended Function 85.

Just press SET/ENTER, EXTENDED FUNCTION, 8, 5, SET/ENTER and momentarily observe FILTER OFF on the display. Calling this extended function again turns the filter back ON. The

step response of the filter produces a frequency transition (rise time) which is about 5 data points wide.

The filter used for plotting tracks the average step width. The maximum rise time of a frequency hop as measured by the counter with the filter OFF is approximately equal to the average step width shown on the profile plot under Gate Information. This rise time increases by approximately 5 times when the filter is ON.

**PLOT ID PREFIX**

Hardcopy plots are identified by consecutive reference numbers for your convenience. In addition to this numbering, you can add a six digit prefix. This feature can be used to identify a month/day/year, a project code number, or a unit serial number. You can use this feature by calling Extended Function 86.

Just press SET/ENTER, EXTENDED FUNCTION, 8, 6, SET/ENTER, and then key in the six digits and press SET/ENTER (This entry resets the suffix counter to 0001.). The running suffix counter can also be reset by pressing SET/ENTER, RESET which performs the same function as the INIT command via HP-IB. It is reset again when the instrument is turned OFF.

## Full Manual Control

For those situations where the above Profiling options do not provide all the flexibility you may need, five additional extended functions are available. They are:

- 87 - Set the Number of Data Points (Steps) for Frequency Profile
- 88 - Set the Start IF Cycle for Frequency Profile
- 89 - Set the Number of IF Cycles Per Step for Frequency Profile
- 90 - Set Gate Width in Time
- 95 - Set Gate Width by Events (IF cycles)

The details of how Extended Functions 87, 88, and 89 operate follow after a brief discussion of how to customize the default settings.

*CAUTION*

***There is no error checking when Extended Functions 87, 88, or 89 are enabled so you must use caution to ensure that you are taking the measurement you want to make. It is possible to profile right off the end of the pulse, which will give you incorrect results.***

***These three extended functions (87/88/89) must be used together. When valid choices are loaded for all of them, they are used in the profiling measurement. If any have invalid parameters loaded, the counter will instead use the default values.***

## Customizing The Default Settings

The 5361B always programs fewer IF cycles than the pulse actually contains. This ensures that the profiling operation doesn't "fall off the back edge" of the pulse. Profiling must always end before the trailing edge of the pulse (see *Figure D-3*).

Many "interesting" frequency transients occur at the leading edge of the pulse. However, you may occasionally want a closer look at the trailing edge of the pulse. Here are some ways you can do this.

- Extended Function 90 lets you to set the "time" of the measurement end. This "time" estimate can be in error depending on the amount of chirp or frequency hop on the signal. You can make a quick check of the manually set time by doing a frequency measurement using Extended Function 90 to set the time. If the display shows "0", then the time set was too long. You can see this by viewing the Scope-View output with an oscilloscope.
- A good starting point is to make a pulse width measurement and use this value minus about 60 ns. Monitor the measurement from the front panel SCOPE-VIEW output to observe gate-end in relation to the trailing edge of the pulse. Extended Function 95 also sets the back edge of the Gate but is programmed in IF cycles rather than time.
- Once a correct pulse frequency measurement is made with the chosen value as the maximum gate time, you can profile using Extended Function 90. Under these conditions, you can expect the profiling process to use this same maximum Gate time.
- To customize the progressive step-wise profiling process use these extended functions. Be sure to observe the Note below concerning parameter combinations for these three extended functions. Remember, if you set a value for one of these functions, you must program the others with appropriate values.

### SET NUMBER OF DATA POINTS

The number of profile data points (steps) can be set to any specific value between 1 and 99. This is done by calling Extended Function 87 and entering the desired Number Of Data Points.

### SET START IF CYCLE

You can start the profile measurement on a specific IF cycle. This is entered as an integer between 0 and 999999. The number is entered by calling Extended Function 88.

### SET NUMBER OF IF CYCLES PER STEP

This Extended Function sets the step size for profiling. This can be any value from 1 to 999999. The number is entered by calling Extended Function 89.

*NOTE*

*When using extended functions 87, 88, 89, along with 91 and the final time exceeds 3 ms, you must set the number of averages (Efun 91) so that its product with the maximum time is less than 10 seconds.*

### OUTPUT TABLE FORMAT

*Figure D-4* shows an example of the printed frequency profile table output. The tabular frequency data, like the plot, is assigned to the beginning of the profile interval. Therefore, a plot that starts at zero will assign the first frequency value to this same time beginning interval.

The tabular data is not filtered but is the actual calculation of frequency for that time window.

When setting the start and stop times with Extended Function 81 and 82 respectively, the ACTUAL time of start and stop is shown rather than the particular time that you entered. The actual time is typically within 10 ns of your specified value.

The number of digits in the printed frequency is determined by the resolution you've set.

FREQUENCY PROFILE ID = 000000.0002

| TIME (ns) | PROFILE FREQUENCY (Hz) |
|---|---|
| 0 | 1.3450523469E+10 |
| 922 | 1.3450783996E+10 |
| 1840 | 1.3450883109E+10 |
| 2757 | 1.3450940098E+10 |
| 3673 | 1.3450974103E+10 |
| 4589 | 1.3450994568E+10 |
| 5505 | 1.3451016494E+10 |
| 6420 | 1.3451031446E+10 |
| 7335 | 1.3451044722E+10 |
| 8250 | 1.3451047573E+10 |
| 9165 | 1.3451062612E+10 |
| 10079 | 1.3451063648E+10 |
| 10994 | 1.3451070770E+10 |
| 11909 | 1.3451082403E+10 |
| 12823 | 1.3451082973E+10 |
| 13738 | 1.3451086341E+10 |
| 14652 | 1.3451092924E+10 |
| 15566 | 1.3451093987E+10 |
| 16481 | 1.3451100493E+10 |
| 17395 | 1.3451110994E+10 |
| 18309 | 1.3451103501E+10 |
| 19223 | 1.3451112602E+10 |
| 20137 | 1.3451109542E+10 |
| 21051 | 1.3451111076E+10 |
| 21965 | 1.3451127984E+10 |
| 22879 | 1.3451124534E+10 |
| 23793 | 1.3451130908E+10 |
| 24707 | 1.3451129489E+10 |
| 25620 | 1.3451121888E+10 |
| 26534 | 1.3451144566E+10 |
| 27448 | 1.3451137533E+10 |
| 28362 | 1.3451134185E+10 |
| 29275 | 1.3451157521E+10 |
| 30189 | 1.3451139350E+10 |
| 31103 | 1.3451160663E+10 |
| 32016 | 1.3451148850E+10 |
| 32930 | 1.3451150122E+10 |
| 33843 | 1.3451161157E+10 |
| 34757 | 1.3451149580E+10 |
| 35670 | 1.3451175209E+10 |
| 36583 | 1.3451170585E+10 |
| 37497 | 1.3451170273E+10 |
| 38410 | 1.3451161105E+10 |
| 39323 | 1.3451175390E+10 |
| 40237 | 1.3451183211E+10 |
| 41150 | 1.3451165779E+10 |
| 42063 | 1.3451176170E+10 |
| 42976 | 1.3451194334E+10 |
| 43889 | 1.3451177625E+10 |

*Figure D-4 . Frequency Profile Table Output Example*

## Making a "Spot Frequency" Measurement Within the Pulse Burst.

At times it is useful to measure frequency somewhere within the pulse without requiring the full profile information. One example of this is to verify that the settling time of a VCO is within specifications.

To do this, you can set the start and stop times (Efuns 81 and 82) to define your window of interest (see *Figure D-3*).

Now set the 5361B to profiling mode and take a measurement. The displayed frequency is the average frequency during the specified interval. Improved resolution and accuracy can be obtained by specifying a larger window in time. Setting both the start and stop to the same value defaults to a single IF cycle measurement which will be approximately 14 ns.

For making "Spot Frequency" measurements with a time window greater than 100 ns, it's quicker to set Extended Function 83 (Coarse/Fine) to COARSE. The displayed measurement uses the end points to compute the average frequency for this window.

## PULSE/CW PHASE PROFILING

The HP 5361B can also profile changes in the "phase" of a pulsed or CW signal. This capability requires the use of an instrument controller to manipulate the phase data provided by the HP 5361B. Specialized HP-IB command queries extract signal information that is analyzed by the phase profiling program that can be entered into the Controller.

Before going further, be sure you've read the previous discussion of frequency profiling. The following information and procedures about phase profiling assume that you have some understanding of how the HP 5361B Gating and extended functions for profiling operate.

- Connect the HP 5361B to any suitable HP 9000 Series 300/200 instrument controller via the counter's HP-IB interface bus.
- Load the program listed in Application Note 377-4. You can also reference this Note for more detailed information about phase profiling.

As mentioned above, with the use of an instrument controller and a few simple commands and calculations, the 5361B has the capability of measuring the phase deviation of your microwave signal.

The advantages of the technique described here is that it doesn't require a reference phase. Only the signal under test need be accessed. The counter automatically acquires the signal anywhere within the range of the microwave band and gathers the data over the time window you want. All of the flexibility available for Frequency Profiling is also available for phase profiling.

This measurement capability is unique to this class of instrument and can be useful in measuring phase modulated signals and measuring settling time for coherent/phase locked systems that are frequency agile.

The HP 5361B doesn't replace high precision network analyzers. Phase error and measurement noise may limit the usefulness of these measurements when applied to high frequency signals.

With use of the PROFTIME command, the counter outputs the values of IF zero crossings. These values can be used as explained to construct a phase vs time or phase profile plot.

## Obtaining The Output

You can obtain the output value by making successive READs over the HP-IB interface. The next READ after the last data block is EOT indicating the end of the table. This data is stored in an array for further processing.

## Interpreting The Output

The measurement output data points refer to the time values (in nanoseconds) of the IF zero crossings, multiplied by the number of averages. Since sampling (the down conversion process used in the 5361B) preserves phase, the phase of the IF is the same as the microwave signal at INPUT 1.

To get the real time, simply divide by the number of averages. The number of averages can be obtained from the 5361B by sending the PROFAVG ? query to the counter.

## Other Data For Phase

Now that we have the actual IF zero crossing "event time", we still need to determine when the IF zero crossings should have occured or, the "expected IF zero crossing event time(s)". Since this measurement is a differential phase measurement, where phase change is a function of time, the reference is whatever you choose it to be. For this example the reference phase will be zero degrees.

Other variables that are useful for this measurement are:

- Harmonic number HARM?
- IF cycles per measurement IFPER?
- Local Oscillator Frequency LO?
- Side Band SIDEBAND?

The Data output will typically look like the following:

| Data | Implied Step Number |
|---|---|
| 0 | 0 |
| xxxxxx = First Data | 1 |
| xxxxxx | 2 |
| xxxxxx | 3 |
| . | . |
| . | . |
| xxxxx = Last Data<br>EOT | N |

The Last data is followed by an EOT denoting the end of the data file.

Use the following HP-IB commands to retreive the final information needed to compute phase.

- PROFAVG? (Number of Averages per step)
- IFPER? (Number of IF Periods per step)
- HARM? (Harmonic number?)
- SIDEBAND? (Upper or Lower?)
- LO? (Local Oscillator Frequency?)

If a reference frequency (in Hz) is specified, the corresponding IF reference must be computed with the following equation(s):

$$\text{IF ref} = (\text{Ref. freq.} - \text{Harmonic N} * \text{LO}) * 10^{-6}\ \text{MHz}\ \ \text{(Upper sideband)}$$

— OR —

$$\text{IF ref} = -(\text{Ref. freq.} - \text{Harmonic N} * \text{LO}) * 10^{-6}\ \text{MHz}\ \ \text{(Lower sideband)}$$

For measurements where the frequency is relatively constant, an estimate of the average IF can be used instead using the following formula:

$$\text{IF est} = \frac{(\text{PROVAVG}) * (\text{N}) * (\text{IFPER}) * 1000}{\text{Last Data} - \text{First Data}}\ \text{in MHz}$$

First Data is typically zero unless the start of the profile or phase measurement has been set to other than zero using Extended Function 81 or 88.

Now the phase ($\theta$) can be calculated at each point in time where a measurement was made with the following formula:

$$T(n) = \frac{Data(n)}{(PROFAVG) * (1000)} \text{ in microseconds}$$

$$\theta(n) = [(n) * (IFPER) - T(n) * (IF\ est)] * 360 \quad \text{(for upper sideband)}$$

$$\theta(n) = -[(n) * (IFPER) - T(n) * (IF\ est)] * 360 \quad \text{(for lower sideband)}$$

Where n is the step number ranging from 1 to N.

The formula can be read as:

The phase at point (n) is the number of cycles that occured up to T(n) minus the number of cycles that should have occured up to T(n) based on a constant IF frequency IF est, times the number of degrees per cycle.

If the starting point is NOT zero, that is Extended Function 81 or 88 is invoked, the above formula for phase must be modified. A more general form for the formula for the upper sideband is:

$$\theta(n) = \left[(n) * (IFPER) - \frac{T(n) - Data(0)}{(1000) * PROFAVG} * (IF\ est)\right] * 360$$

For the lower sideband the formula reads:

$$\theta(n) = -\left[(n) * (IFPER) - \frac{T(n) - Data(0)}{(1000) * PROFAVG} * (IF\ est)\right] * 360$$

This calculation can be made at each point and displayed as $\theta$ vs Time. Additional filtering can be done to smooth out some of the measurement random error.

You can apply filtering to the data prior to performing the above calculations. A simple and commonly used algorithm is a moving window filter. This technique simply averages contiguous data points for a new estimator of time. This new estimator can then be used in the above formula.

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