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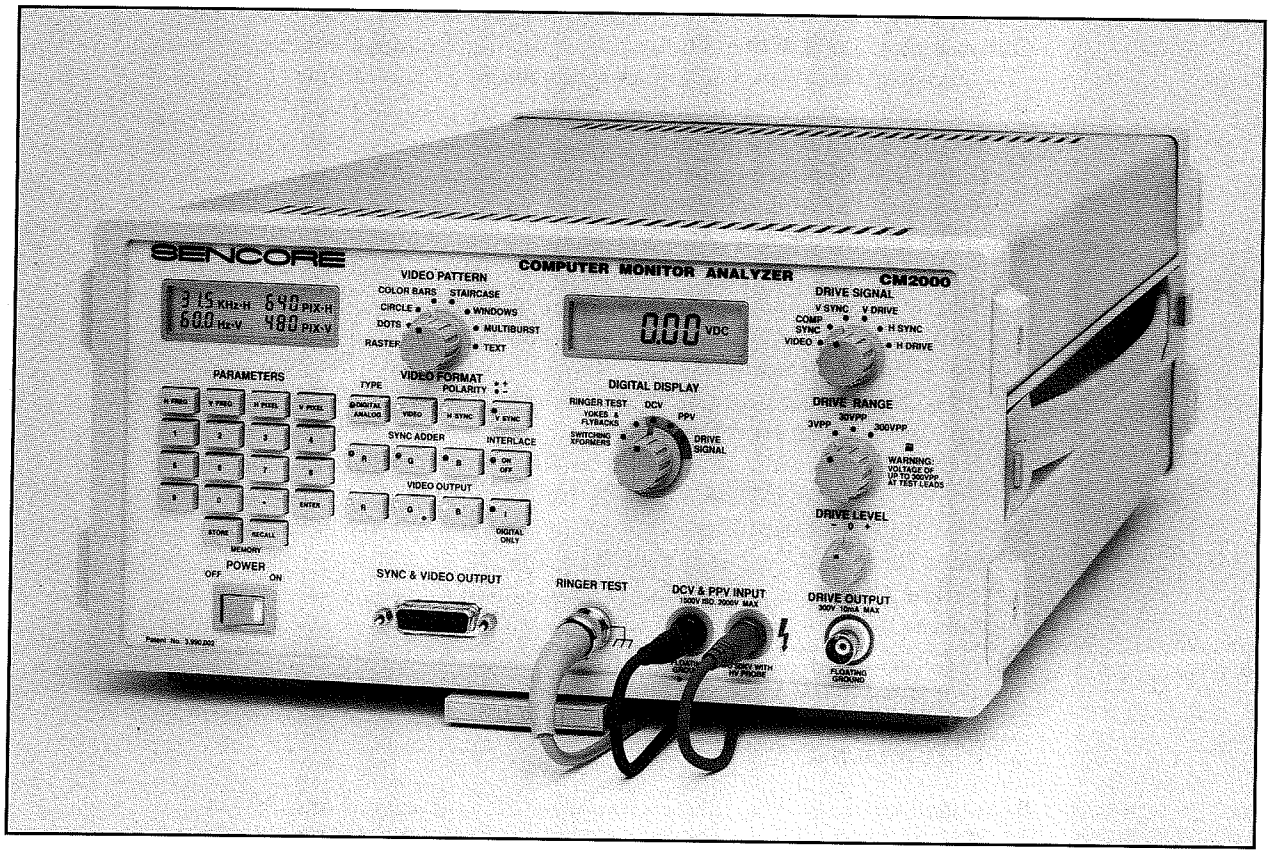
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Operation and Application Manual



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DESCRIPTION

INTRODUCTION

In just a few short years the computer has become a universal product. Gone forever are the days when only large companies could afford a computer and it took a mainframe that nearly filled one room to sort business records or to do mind-bending arithmetic. Now powerful, affordable desktop sized machines are taking on exciting new chores in every phase of business and even the home.

Today products are designed, drawn, and prototyped on a computer monitor display before being manufactured. Surgeons can create computer-animated, 3-D images of their patients' insides long before they pick up a scalpel. Desktop publishing systems, which combine text and graphics, are bringing print shop-quality to financial reports, company newsletters, reports and sales presentations. In the home the computer provides budgeting, word processing and high quality graphics for games.

Every computer system whether it's a personal computer, minicomputer, or mainframe has one thing in common: each needs a monitor or terminal to display input and output information. And while personal computers have one monitor per computer, minicomputers and mainframes may have hundreds or more depending on the size of the system.

The millions of terminals, high resolution and multiscan computer monitors have created a tremendous servicing opportunity. In the computer system the monitor is a high failure component. And whether the monitor comes from a business, school, hospital or even the home, the user generally wants the unit repaired as quickly as possible so he/she can get the system back up and running.

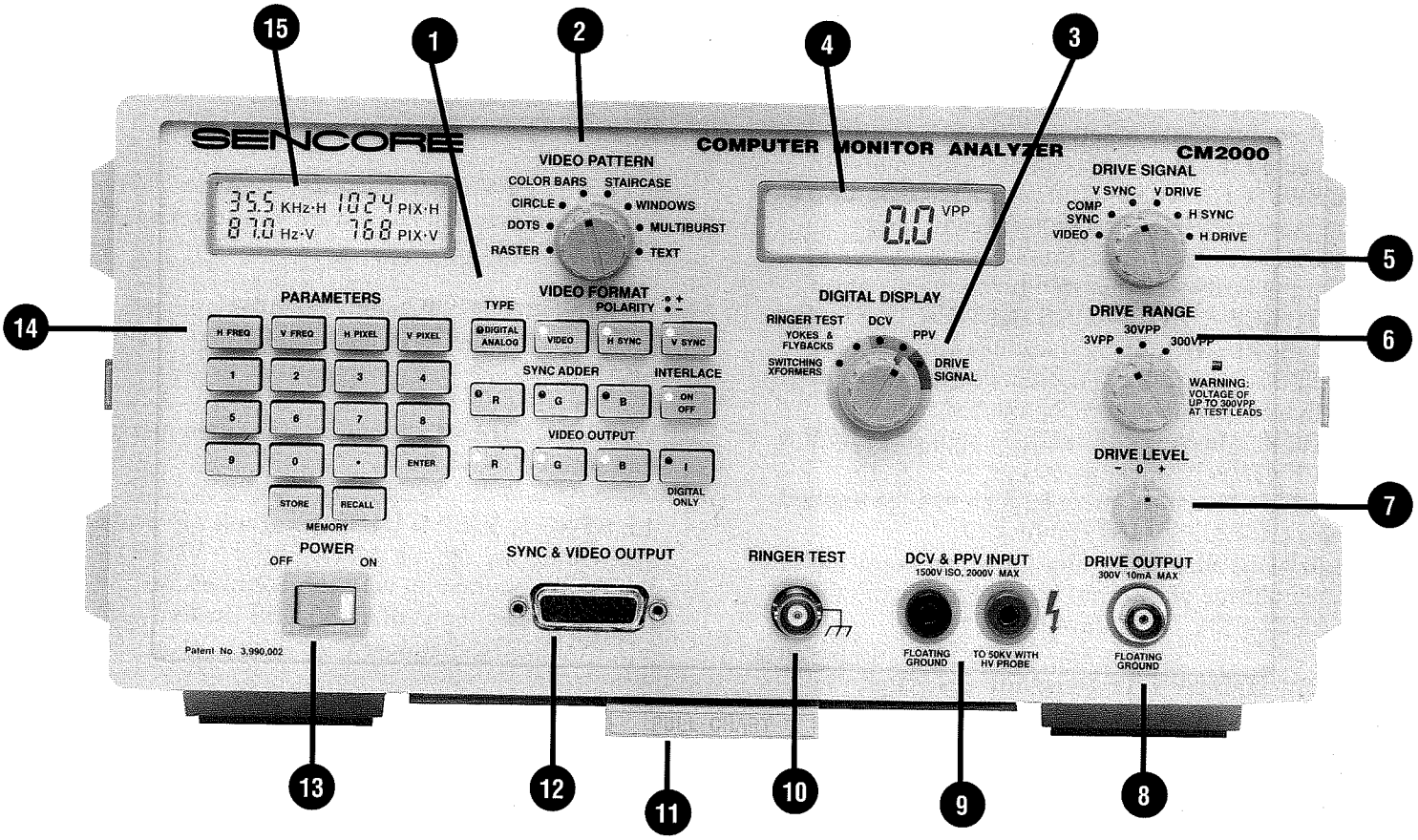
FEATURES

The CM2000 is a complete, easy-to-use, high resolution computer monitor analyzer. It has a fully programmable sync and pixel generator so that its output can be set to match the input requirements of the wide variety of computer monitors and terminals on the market. The CM2000 also provides video patterns that help in computer monitor testing and troubleshooting.

The CM2000 has innovative analyzing features that help isolate circuit problems. A special sync-locked signal substitutor let s you inject drive signals in the computer monitor's circuits. A Sencore patented "ringer" test analyzes yokes, flybacks, and switching transformers. The unit also contains a digital voltmeter for taking DC and peak-to-peak voltage readings.

Special "hook-up" adaptors are available that interface the CM2000 to any of the common computer monitor types. Plus the unit is portable, lightweight, and rugged for all of your field servicing needs.

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FRONT PANEL FEATURES

1. **VIDEO FORMAT Buttons** - Use to set the makeup of the video signal at the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack (12). Push to activate and deactivate. Button is activated when the LED indicator in upper left corner lights. Setups may be stored and recalled with PARAMETER MEMORY Buttons (14g & 14h).
   a. **TYPE** - Use to select digital TTL or analog signal type. Indicator lights to signify "DIGITAL" and is off for "ANALOG."
   b. **POLARITY** - Use to set polarity of R, G, B & I signals ("VIDEO"), horizontal sync ("H SYNC"), and vertical sync ("V SYNC"). Indicator lights to signify positive polarity ("+") and is off to signify negative ("-") polarity.
   c. **SYNC ADDER** - Adds composite sync signal to selected video line. Indicator lights to signify which line(s) sync is added to.
   d. **INTERLACE** - Turns interlace sync on (indicator lit) and off.
   e. **VIDEO OUTPUT** - Turns R, G, B and I output lines on or off. Indicator lights when line is on.

2. **VIDEO PATTERN Switch** - Determines the video pattern at the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack (12) that will be displayed on the monitor. Also selects the video pattern at the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack (8) when the DRIVE SIGNAL Switch is set to "Video" (5a). Change the color of the pattern with the "Video Output" Format Buttons.
   a. **RASTER** - Provides a solid raster inside a framed border to test power supply regulation, purity and CRT phosphor.
   b. **DOTS** - Provides a grid of regularly-spaced dots to test dynamic convergence.
   c. **CIRCLE** - Provides a pattern of circles and lines to test linearity.
   d. **COLOR BARS** - Provides a sequence of colored bars to test the monitor's ability to produce color.
   e. **STAIRCASE** - Provides a 16-step staircase pattern to test gray scale and video linearity.
   f. **WINDOWS** - Provides a pattern consisting of 5 boxes - 1 in each corner and 1 in the center of the raster. Use to test power supply regulation and brightness uniformity.
   g. **MULTIBURST** - Provides a pattern consisting of 5 patches - 1 in each corner and 1 in the center of the raster. Each patch has horizontal and vertical lines that are 1, 2, 3 & 4 pixels wide, use to test the monitor's bandwidth and resolution.
   h. **TEXT** - Provides a full raster of text characters for checking focus and complete performance.

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3. **DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch** - Use to select the desired analyzer test function. Test results are displayed on the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout (4).

a. **SWITCHING XFORMERS RINGER TEST**- Use with RINGER TEST Jack (10) and DIRECT TEST Lead (20) to check switching transformers for shorted turns.
b. **YOKES & FLYBACKS RINGER TEST** - Use with RINGER TEST Jack (10) and DIRECT TEST Lead (20) to check deflection yokes and flyback transformers for shorted turns.
c. **DCV** - Measures DC voltage applied to DCV & PPV INPUT Jack (9).
d. **PPV** - Measures peak-to-peak voltage applied to DCV & PPV INPUT Jack (9).
e. **DRIVE SIGNAL** - Measures peak-to-peak amplitude of internal Drive Signal available at DRIVE OUTPUT Jack (8).

4. **DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout** - Displays results of tests selected by the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch (3).

5. **DRIVE SIGNAL Switch** - Determines the signal available at the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack. The sync frequencies are set by the PARAMETERS Buttons.

a. **VIDEO** - Provides a video signal to inject in the video circuits.
b. **COMP SYNC** - Provides a vertical and horizontal sync only signal to inject before the sync separator.
c. **V SYNC** - Provides a vertical sync signal to inject before the vertical oscillator.
d. **V DRIVE** - Provides a vertical drive signal to inject after the vertical oscillator.
e. **H SYNC** - Provides horizontal sync signal to inject before the horizontal oscillator.
f. **H DRIVE** - Provides a horizontal drive signal to inject after the horizontal oscillator.

6. **DRIVE RANGE Control** - Provides a coarse level adjustment of 3, 30 or 300 VPP for signals selected by the DRIVE SIGNAL Switch (5).

7. **DRIVE LEVEL Control** - Provides fine level adjustment and polarity control of signals selected by DRIVE SIGNAL Switch (5).

8. **DRIVE OUTPUT Jack** - Provides Drive Signal selected by DRIVE SIGNAL Switch (5). Use with DIRECT TEST LEAD (20).

9. **DCV & PPV INPUT Jacks** - Provides connection to measure external DCV or PPV. Use with DVM TEST LEADS (21)

10. **RINGER TEST Jack** - Provides connection for performing Ringer test. Use with DIRECT TEST LEAD (20).

11. **PULL CHART** - Provides simplified instructions and setups.

12. **SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack** - Provides video and sync signals selected by the VIDEO PATTERN Switch (2) with the parameters determined by the PARAMETERS Buttons (14) and VIDEO FORMAT Buttons (1).

13. **POWER SWITCH** - Applies and removes AC power to the CM2000.

14. **PARAMETERS Buttons** - Use to establish the correct numerical parameters of the RGB video signal at the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack (12) to match the monitor being serviced.

a. **H FREQ** - Sets horizontal scan frequency from 10 to 250 kHz.
b. **V FREQ** - Sets vertical scan frequency from 10 Hz to 250 Hz.
c. **H PIXEL** - Sets number of horizontal pixels from 80 to 1024.
d. **V PIXEL** - Sets number of vertical pixels from 80 to 1024.
e. **DIGITS** (0-9) - Use with "Freq" and "Pixel" buttons (14a-d) to enter numerical value.
f. **ENTER** - Press after numerical value to complete entry.
g. **STORE** - Stores Parameter and Video Format setups in non-volatile User Memory locations 20 to 39 for later use.
h. **RECALL** - Recalls preset setups from any memory location.

15. **PARAMETERS Readout** - Displays active parameters and entries made using PARAMETERS Buttons (14).

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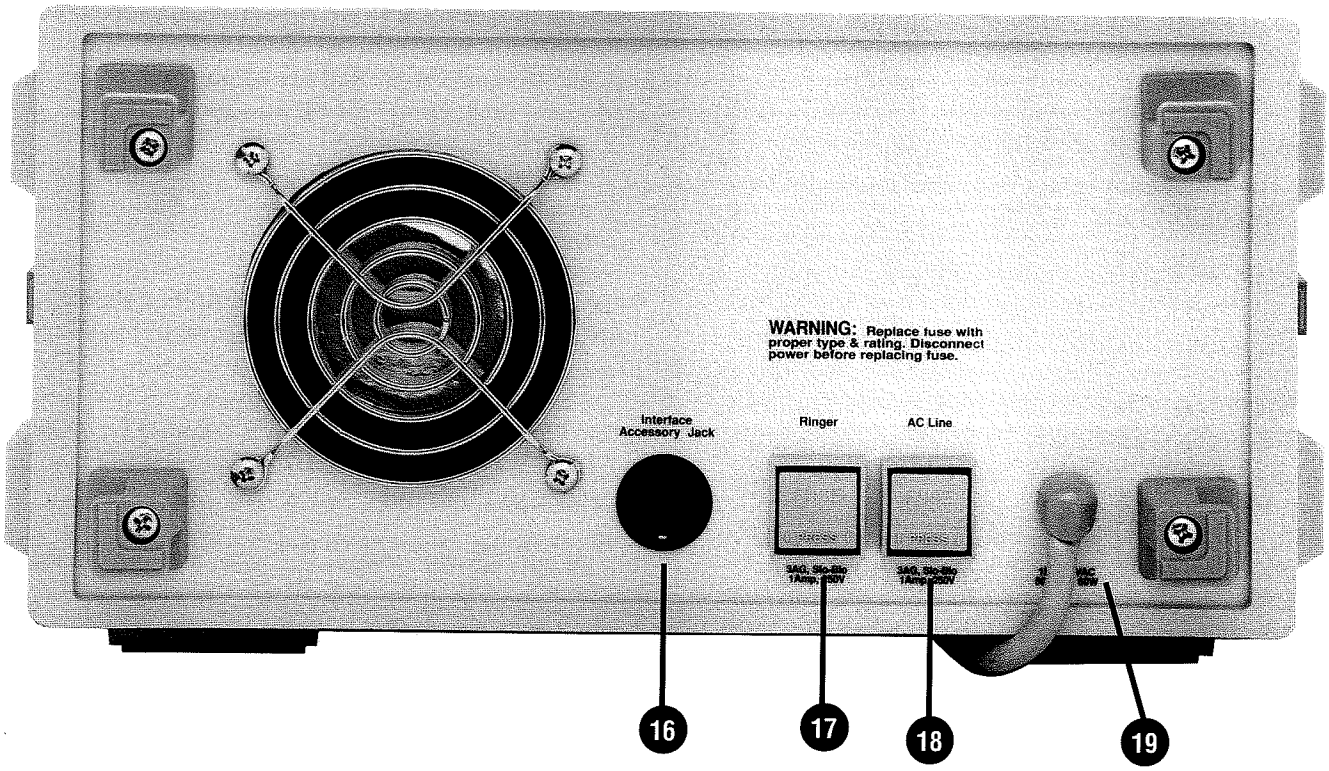
REAR PANEL FEATURES

16. INTERFACE ACCESSORY Jack - Provides a connection for the optional IB72 IEEE 488 Bus Interface Accessory (30) or IB78 RS232 Interface Accessory (31).

17. RINGER FUSE - Protects Ringer test circuitry from external voltage. Replace with 1 amp, Slo-Blo, type 3AG.

18. AC LINE FUSE - Protects unit from damage due to internal problems that cause excessive current draw. Replace with 1 amp, 250 volt Slo-Blo, type 3AG.

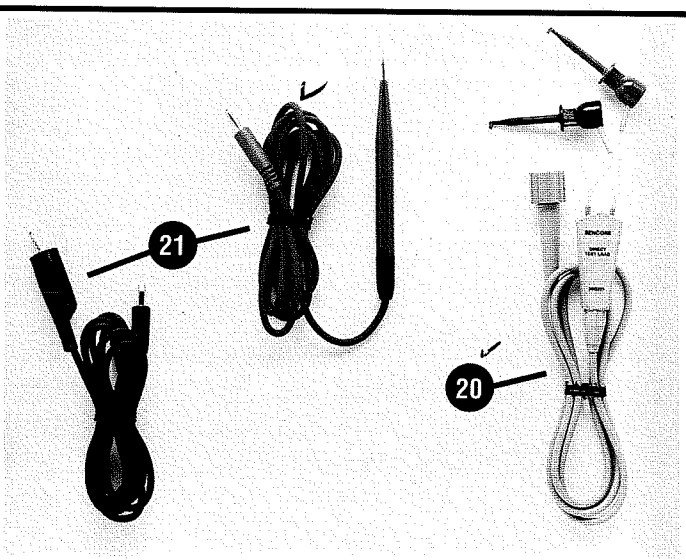
19. AC POWER CORD - Connect to a 105-125 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 60 watt source.



SUPPLIED ACCESSORIES

20. **DIRECT TEST LEAD** (39G221) - Use to connect the RINGER TEST Jack (10) to the component under test. Also use to connect the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack (8) to the circuit.

21. **DVM TEST LEADS** (39G264) - Provides a connection between DCV & PPV INPUT Jacks (9) and circuit.



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OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

39B300

22. **EXTENSION CABLE** (39B271) - Provides an extension cable for the SYNC & VIDEO Output Jack (12) (48 inches).

23. **UNIVERSAL CONNECTOR** (39B273) - Cable connects to SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack to provide a connection to monitors having non-standard connectors. (12 inches).

24. **CONNECTOR #1** (39B275) - Adapter connects between the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack and the input cable of CGA, MDA and Hercules type monitors.

25. **CONNECTOR #2** (39B280) Adapter connects between the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack and the input cable of EGA type monitors.

26. **CONNECTOR #3** (39B281) - Adapter connects between the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack and the input cable of PGC type monitors.

27. **CONNECTOR #4** (39B274) - Adapter connects between the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack and the input cable of VGA, PS/2®, SVGA and XGA type monitors.

28. **CONNECTOR #5** (39B276) - Adapter connects between the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack and the input of Apple® and Macintosh® type monitors.

29. **CONNECTOR #6** (39B272) - BNC cable connects to SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack to provide a connection to monitors having BNC input connectors (48 inches).

X 30. **IB72 IEEE-488 BUS INTERFACE ACCESSORY** - Connects between the INTERFACE ACCESSORY Jack (16) and the IEEE-488 port of a bus controller to provide IEEE Bus operation.

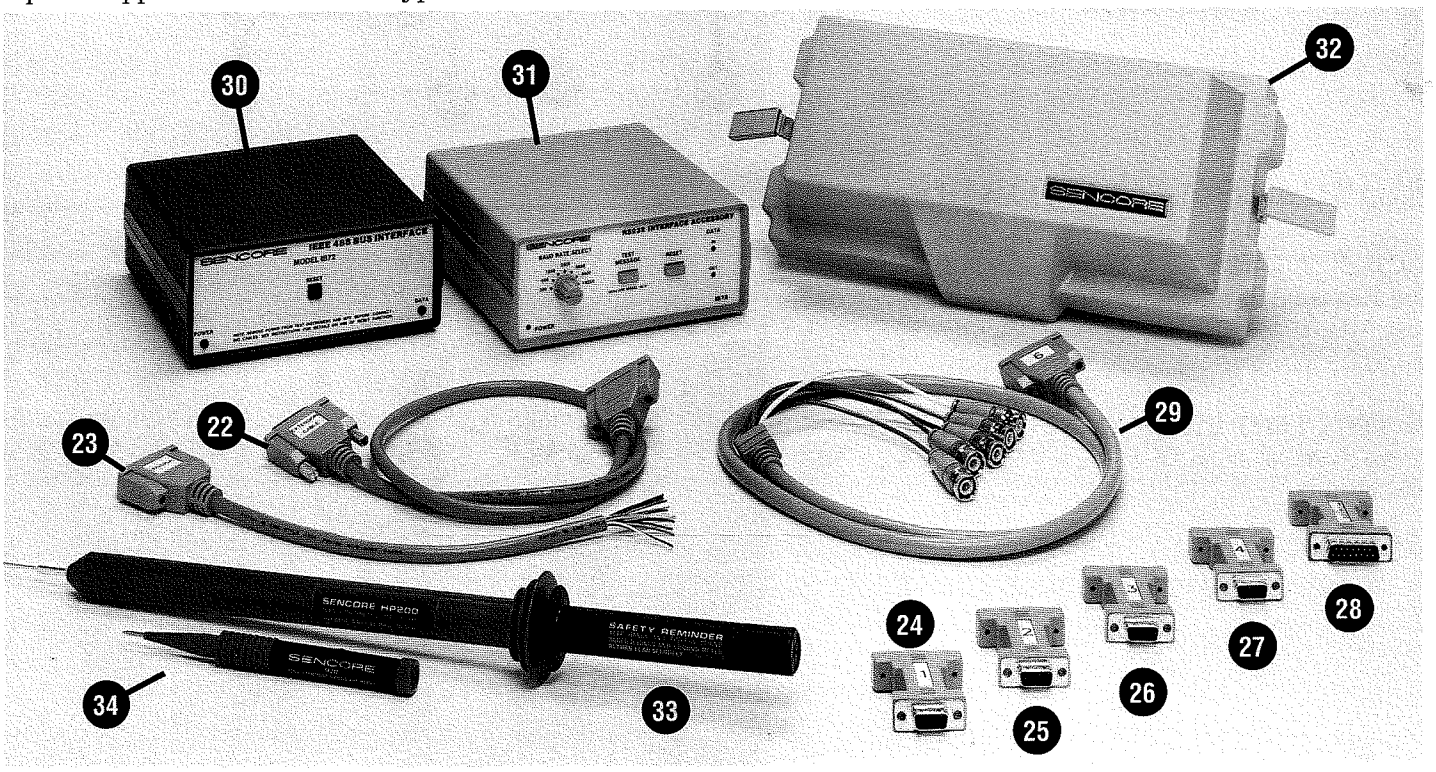
X 31. **IB78 RS232 INTERFACE ACCESSORY** - Connects between the INTERFACE ACCESSORY Jack (16) and the RS232 serial port of a computer to provide automated testing and programming.

32. **PC263 PROTECTIVE COVER** - Snap-on cover protects front panel and provides Test Lead and Interface Connector storage.

X 33. **HP200 50 kV HIGH VOLTAGE PROBE** - Use with DVM TEST LEADS (21) to extend the DCV measuring range to 50 kV.

34. **TP212 10 kV TRANSIENT PROTECTOR PROBE** - Use with DVM TEST LEADS (21) to extend the DCV measuring range to 10 kV.

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SPECIFICATIONS

All specifications allow for 20 minutes warm-up and are guaranteed at 15-35 degrees C (59-95 degrees F).

Sync & Video Output

VIDEO BANDWIDTH: 98 MHz

HORIZONTAL SYNC:
RANGE: 10.0 KHz to 250 KHz
ACCURACY: +/- 200 nSec
STEPS: 10.0 KHz to 99.9 KHz, .1 KHz and 100 KHz to 250 KHz, 1 KHz
LEVEL: 5 VPP
POLARITY: (+) or (-)

VERTICAL SYNC:
RANGE: 10.0 Hz to 250 Hz
ACCURACY: +/- (1/H FREQ)*(6)
STEPS: 10.0 Hz to 99.9 Hz, .1 Hz and 100 Hz to 250 Hz, 1 Hz
LEVEL: 5 VPP
POLARITY: (+) or (-)

COMPOSITE SYNC:
LEVEL: 5 VPP
POLARITY: (-)

HORIZONTAL RESOLUTION:
RANGE: 80 pixels to 1,024 pixels in one pixel steps

VERTICAL RESOLUTION:
RANGE: 80 pixels to 1,024 pixels in one pixel steps

MEMORY:
60 computer monitor setup storage locations.

VIDEO:
VIDEO PATTERNS: raster, dots, circle, color bars, staircase, windows, multiburst and text

DIGITAL
LEVEL: 5 VPP
POLARITY: (+) or (-)
VIDEO OUTPUT: red, green, blue and intensity.

ANALOG
LEVEL: 1 VPP, white level .714 V, black 0.0, and sync -.286 into 75 ohms.
POLARITY: (+) or (-)
SYNC ADDER: red, green, blue
MODE: Non-interlace or interlace
VIDEO OUTPUT: red, green, blue

SYNC TIMING: The CM2000 recognizes common computer monitor formats and adjusts the sync time, front porch and back porch.

SYNC TIMING DEFAULT: If the CM2000 does not recognize the computer monitor format it sets the output to 80% displayed video and 20% sync. The sync pulse is divided into thirds between the front porch, blanking and back porch.

SYNC TIMING PROGRAMMING: Sync timing parameters can be set through the IEEE 488 or RS232 interface buses.

HORIZONTAL
Minimum blanking time is 1.5 uSec. Minimum sync time is 0.3 uSec.

VERTICAL
Minimum blanking time is 1/H freq. Minimum sync time is 1/H freq.

Digital Display

RINGER TEST
INDUCTOR RANGE: 10 uH and larger, non-iron core
ACCURACY: +/- 1 count on readings between 8 and 13 rings
RESOLUTION: +/- 1 count
EXCITING PULSE: 5 volts peak, 60 Hz rate

YOKES & FLYBACKS
counts rings up to a 25% damping point

SWITCHING TRANSFORMERS
counts rings up to a 5% damping point

DC VOLTMETER
RANGES: Autoranging in three ranges, 0.00 to 19.99 V, 20.0 to 199.9 V and 200 to 1999 V
ACCURACY: +/- 0.5% +/- 2 counts
RESOLUTION: 10 mV on 20 V range, .1 V on 200 V range and 1 V on 2000 V range
INPUT IMPEDANCE: 15 megohms +/- 1%
AC REJECTION: Greater then 60 dB

PEAK-TO-PEAK VOLTMETER
RANGES: Autoranged in three ranges, 0.0 to 19.9 V, 20 to 199 V, 200 to 1999 V
ACCURACY: +/- 1% +/- 2 counts, +/- 5% +/- 5 counts in the 200 to 1999 V range
FREQUENCY RESPONSE: 30 Hz to 5 MHz +/- 1 dB on 20 V range, 30 Hz to 250 KHz +/- 1 dB on 199 V and 2000 V ranges
RESOLUTION: .1 V on 20 V range and 1 V on 200 V and 2000 V ranges
INPUT IMPEDANCE: 15 megohm shunted by less then 40 pF
PROTECTION: 2000 VDC (DC + peak AC) across inputs. Maximum voltage between (-) and ground = 1500 V (DC + peak AC).

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Drive Signals

All drive signals are phase-locked to the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT.

SIGNALS AVAILABLE: video, composite sync, vertical sync, vertical drive, horizontal sync, horizontal drive
RANGE: 3 ranges, 0.0 to 3.0 VPP, 0 to 30 VPP and 0 to 300 VPP
ACCURACY: +/- 1%, +/- 2 digits for H DRIVE signal
FREQUENCY RESPONSE: 30 Hz to 5 MHz < 3 dB on 3.0 VPP and 30 VPP ranges. 30 Hz to 250 KHz < 3 dB on 300 VPP range.
OUTPUT: 3 VPP range, 3 VPP, +/- 0.5 V into 100 ohms circuit impedance, 30 VPP, +/- 5 V into 100 ohms circuit impedance, 300 VPP, +/- 50 V into 10,000 ohms circuit impedance.
PROTECTION: +/- 450 V (DC + peak AC)

General

DISPLAYS: LCD readout for FREQUENCY and PIXEL parameters. 3 1/2 digit LCD readout for DRIVE OUTPUT/DVM.
GUARANTEED OPERATING TEMPERATURE: 15 to 35 degrees Centigrade
WARM-UP TIME: 20 minutes
SIZE: 6" X 11.5" X 15" (15.2 X 29.1 X 38.1 cm) HWD.
WEIGHT: 16 pounds (7.3 kg).
POWER: 105 to 125 VAC 50/60 Hz, 60 Watts.

All specifications are subject to change without notice.

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OPERATION

INTRODUCTION

This portion of the manual explains how to prepare the CM2000 for operation, and describes how to use its controls and features. It contains 4 major sections: 1) Preparation For Use; 2) Connecting To A Monitor; 3) Troubleshooting And Analyzing, and 4) Computer Automated Operation.

Once you have become familiar with the features and operation of the CM2000, you can operate it using the information on the front panel and on the Pull Chart located beneath the unit. The APPLICATION portion of this manual includes specific application examples and troubleshooting procedures.

PREPARATION FOR USE

The CM2000 is ready for use when it is removed from its packing material and connected to a proper source of AC power. All the Supplied Accessories are in the same box as the CM2000. When you first unpack the unit, confirm that you have received all the Supplied Accessories listed on page 4. If any are missing, promptly notify the Sencore Service Department. (See inside back cover for their address and phone number).

Place the CM2000 in a convenient location that is within about 36 inches of the monitors that you will be servicing. This will provide an adequate work area while keeping the monitors close enough to use the test leads. Do not block the air vents located on the top and bottom rear of the unit.

Power Connection

The CM2000 is powered by a standard 105-125 VAC, 50/60 Hz, AC line (220 VAC optional). The power cord is not detachable and includes a third-wire safety ground. Do not defeat this third-wire ground as it is necessary for proper shielding, operation and safety.

Optional 220 VAC Operation

The CM2000 can be operated on 220 VAC systems by changing the AC power transformer. The transformer can be replaced by a qualified technician, or the unit can be returned to the Sencore Service Department. Contact the Sencore Service Department for more information.

Power On Test

When the POWER Switch is turned on the CM2000 undergoes a power-on test sequence that lasts approximately 10 seconds. During this time all the indicator LEDs on the VIDEO FORMAT Buttons should sequence "on" and all the annunciators in the LCD Readouts should turn on. If any of the LEDs or annunciators fail to turn on, the CM2000 requires service. When the readouts clear and reset to the selected functions, the CM2000 is fully operational. The CM2000 defaults to the VIDEO FORMAT and PARAMETER settings that were last used.

To operate the CM2000 from an AC line:

1. Connect the power cord to a properly grounded, 105-125 VAC, 60 W AC power source. (220 VAC optional)
2. Press the POWER Switch on the front of the CM2000 to "On." The switch will illuminate to show that the unit is receiving power. If the light does not illuminate:
    a. Confirm that the AC power source is correct
    b. Check the CM2000 AC line fuse located on the rear of the unit.
3. Confirm that all VIDEO FORMAT Button LED Indicators and LCD Readout annunciators turn on.
4. Allow approximately 10 seconds for the internal circuitry to reset after applying power.

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CAUTION

Defeating the 3rd wire safety ground connection may cause the CM2000 to operate incorrectly and may cause damage to it.

AC Line Fuse - An AC line fuse, located on the rear of the unit, protects the unit from excessive damage caused by an internal failure. The proper fuse value is 1 amp, 250 volt, Slo-Blo, type 3AG. If the fuse blows, locate the cause of the problem and correct it before replacing the fuse. Only replace the fuse with another of the same type and rating. Installing an incorrect fuse may damage the unit and will void all warranties.

To replace the AC line fuse:

1. Press to release the snap-in fuse holder.
2. Pull the holder and the fuse out of the fuse holder base.
3. Replace the fuse with another of the same type and rating.
4. Insert the holder and fuse into the fuse holder base and snap it back into place.

CAUTION

The wrong AC line fuse may damage the CM2000. Replace only with a 1 amp, 250 volt, Slo-Blo, type 3AG.

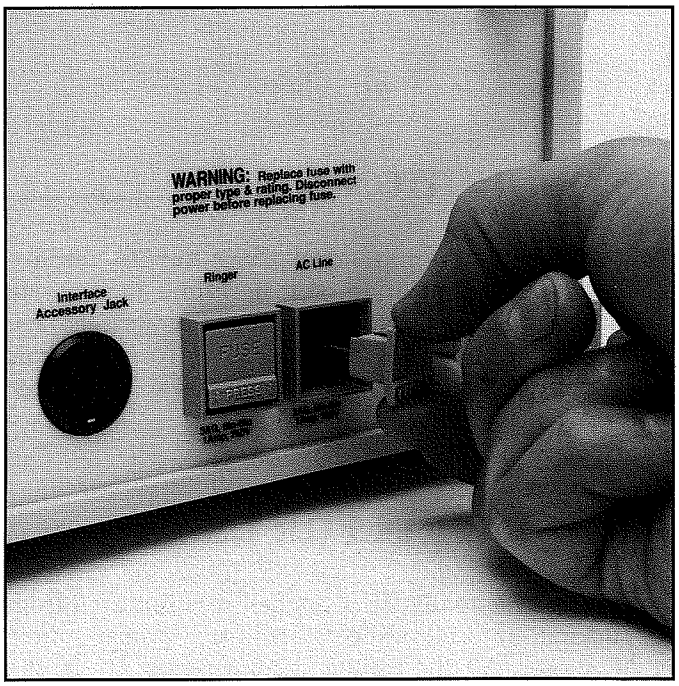


Fig. 1 If the CM2000 fails to power up when the POWER switch is "on" check the AC line fuse.

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CONNECTING TO A MONITOR

All the signal parameters generated by the CM2000, such as sync frequency, pixel resolution and polarity, can by set by the user. This is what gives the CM2000 the versatility to match any computer monitor. Connecting the CM2000 to a monitor requires four steps: 1) Choosing the proper Interface Connector; 2) Setting the Signal Parameters; 3) Setting the Video Format; 4) Selecting the Video Pattern. This section of the manual explains each of these steps.

WARNING

Many computer monitors use a full-wave "hot chassis". Always use an isolation transformer when servicing any monitor chassis. Failure to use isolation will produce a dangerous shock hazard and may result in damage to the monitor or your test equipment.

Do not isolate your test instruments as this may recreate the unsafe conditions.

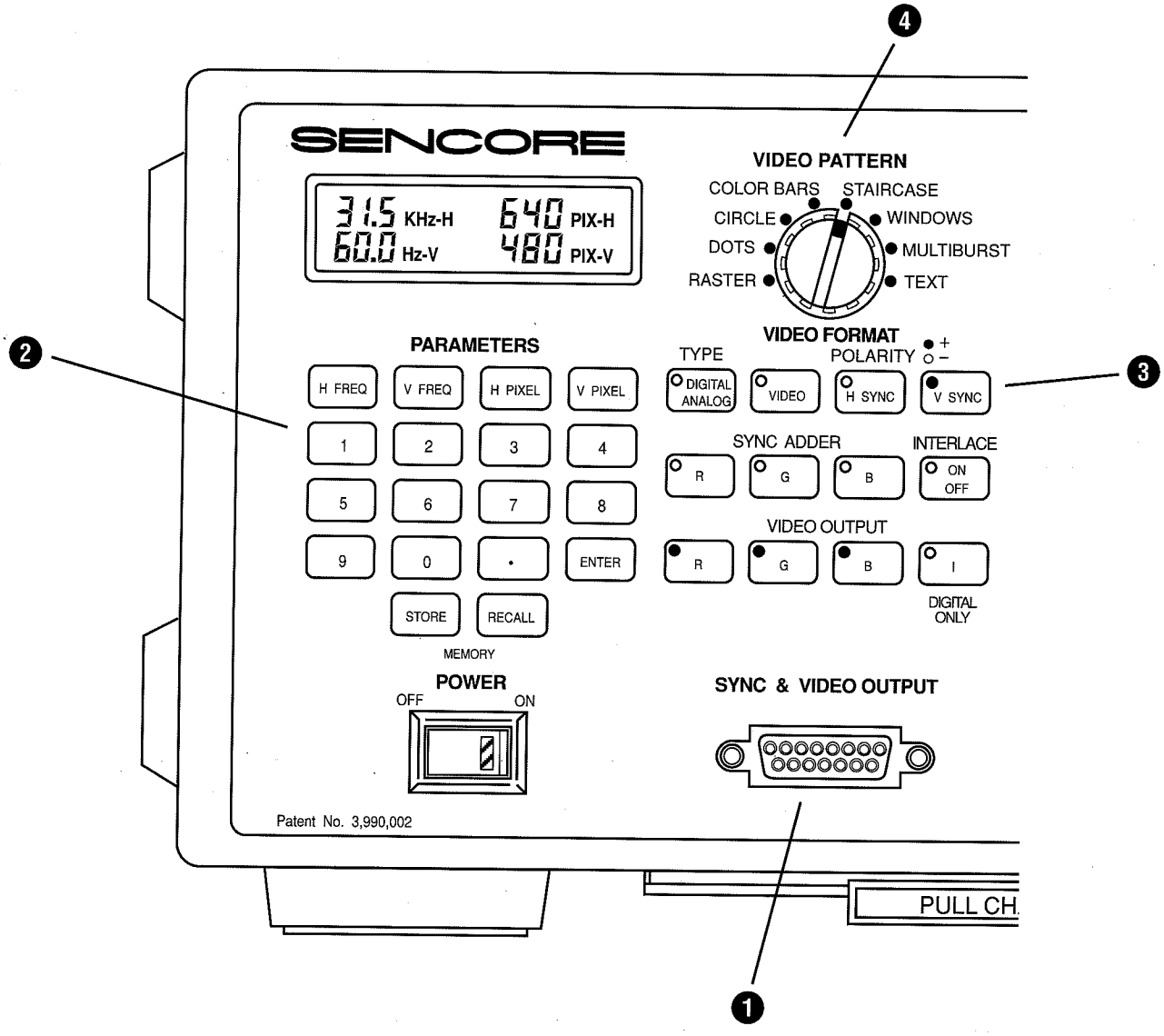


Fig. 2 Connecting the CM2000 to a monitor requires four steps: 1) Connect the proper Interface Connector; 2) Set the Signal Parameters, 3) Set the Video Format, and 4) Select the desired Video Pattern.

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Choosing The Proper Interface Connector

Each type of computer monitor uses a unique "standard" connector. The connectors differ in size, shape, number of pins, and in electrical wiring. The (optional) Interface Connectors properly match the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack to each monitor type. Table 1 lists the Interface Connector that is needed for each monitor type.

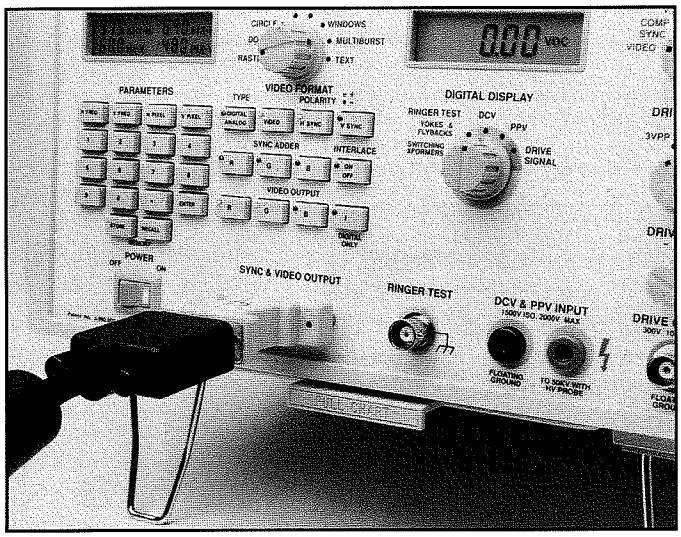


Fig. 3 Plug one end of the connector into the CM2000's SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack and the other end to the computer monitor's cable (or OUTPUT EXTENSION CABLE if the monitor does not have a cable).

The Interface Connectors may be ordered through the Sencore Service Parts Department. Contact the Service Department at:

SENCORE SERVICE PARTS,
3200 Sencore Drive,
Sioux Falls, SD 57107
1-800-736-2673

Note: *Appendix C lists the wiring of the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack and Interface Connectors.*

To connect the CM2000 to a monitor:

1. Turn "off" the Power Switch on both the CM2000 and the monitor.
2. Select the (optional) Interface Connector that matches the monitor type you are servicing.
3. Plug the connector to the CM2000 SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack.
4. Plug the monitor cable into the Interface Connector. Use the (optional) OUTPUT EXTENSION CABLE if the monitor does not have a cable, or if the cable is too short.
5. Turn "on" the Power Switch on both the CM2000 and the monitor.

CM2000 Connector Chart	
Connector	**Computer Monitor Type**
1	CGA, MDA, Hercules
2	EGA
3	PGC
4	VGA, PS/S, SVGA, XGA
5	Apple or Mac
6	BNC Input
Universal	Adapts to match any computer monitor type

TABLE 1 - Interface Connector applications

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Setting The Signal Parameters

Each type of monitor (CGA, EGA, VGA etc.) operates at different horizontal and vertical scan frequencies and produces different amounts of horizontal and vertical resolution (pixels). Each of these monitor types has standard signal parameter values.

The parameter values for common monitors are summarized in Appendix D and on the Pull Chart. To make the monitor operate properly, you must enter the vertical and horizontal frequencies and pixel resolution shown. The PARAMETERS buttons select the frequencies and resolutions of the signals at the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack and the frequencies of the DRIVE SIGNALS.

Some monitors are "multiscan" and can operate over a wide range of signal parameters. Test these monitors by selecting several different combinations of signal parameters that are within the monitor's operation range. Refer to the APPLICATION section entitled "Troubleshooting Multiscan Monitors" for more information.

PARAMETERS Readout - The LCD located directly above the PARAMETERS Buttons shows the current numerical value of each signal parameter. Figure 5 shows the information displayed by the Readout.

Monitor Type	H FREQ	V FREQ	H PIXEL	V PIXEL	DIGITAL ANALOG	H SYNC	V SYNC	Sync Adder	Interlace
CGA	15.7	60.0	640	200	DIGITAL	+	+	OFF	OFF
NEC DH	16.0	60.3	640	200	DIGITAL	+	-	OFF	OFF
HITACHI 2	17.3	62.4	512	512	ANALOG	+	-	OFF	ON
HERCULES	18.4	50.0	720	350	DIGITAL	+	-	OFF	OFF
MDA	18.4	50.0	720	350	DIGITAL	+	-	OFF	OFF
EGA	21.8	60.0	640	350	DIGITAL	+	-	OFF	OFF
NEC P2	24.8	56.4	640	400	DIGITAL	-	-	OFF	OFF
PGC	30.5	60.0	640	400	ANALOG	COMPOSITE SYNC		OFF	OFF
PGC	30	60			ALOG	POSITE		OFF	OFF

Fig. 4 Standard Monitor Formats. (See Appendix D for complete listing)

Note: *The timing of the front porch, sync and back porch of the horizontal and vertical sync pulses match those of the standard computer monitor formats. As you are entering the parameters the CM2000 automatically checks to see if the format you've entered is a format it recognizes. If it is, the CM2000 automatically adjusts to the correct timing. If you deviate from any of the standard parameters, the blanking signal will default to 80% trace/20% retrace time. This may cause a noticeable change in the displayed raster size or position.*

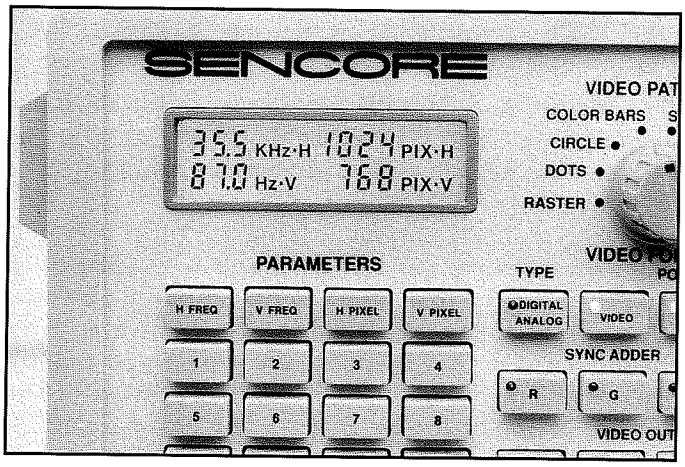


Fig. 5 The PARAMETERS READOUT shows the parameters of the output signals.

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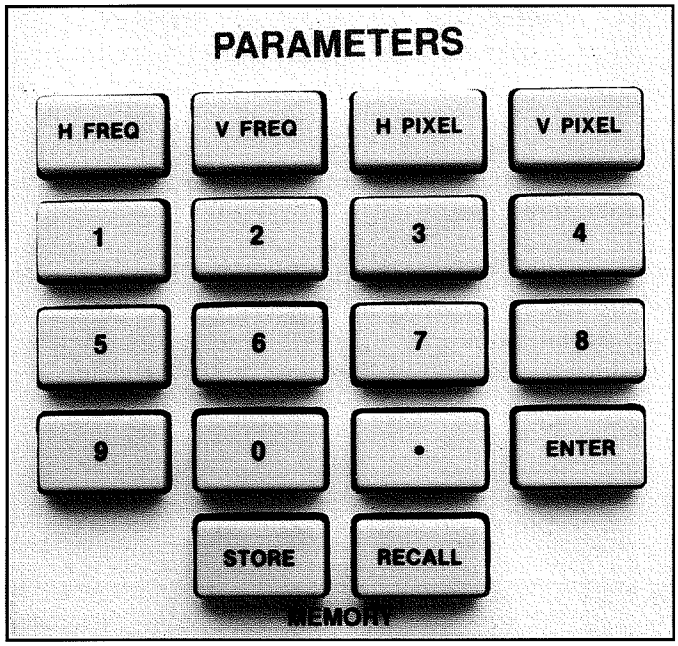


Fig. 6 The PARAMETERS buttons set the sync frequencies and pixels resolutions to match the monitor you are testing

SIGNAL PARAMETERS Buttons - Use the PARAMETERS Buttons to set the proper horizontal and vertical sync frequency and the number of horizontal and vertical pixels to match the monitor you are servicing. The PARAMETERS Buttons include:

H FREQ - horizontal sync frequency
V FREQ - vertical sync frequency
H PIXEL - horizontal pixel resolution
V PIXEL - vertical pixel resolution
Digits 0-9 - numerical values

The "Store" and "Recall" Buttons are used with the memory functions. These are discussed later in the section entitled "Using The Memory Functions."

Entering a signal parameter requires three steps: 1) Push the desired parameter button, 2) Enter the numerical value, and 3) Press "Enter" to complete the entry. Watch the readings in the PARAMETERS Readout as you make the entry. When you push a PARAMETERS Button, the number portion of the corresponding display will blank and show each digit as you enter it. The parameter portion of the display will blink until you complete the entry by pressing "Enter." If you make a mistake while entering a number, simply press the previously selected parameter button and begin again.

The Parameter range limits that the CM2000 can generate are:

Vertical frequency -10 Hz to 250 Hz
Horizontal frequency - 10 kHz to 250 kHz
Vertical Pixels - 80 to 1024 (see note 2 below)
Horizontal Pixels - 80 to 1024 (see note 2 below)

To change a signal parameter:

1. Find the parameter values in the monitor's service literature or in Appendix D.
2. Press the PARAMETER Button of the value you wish to change. The corresponding PARAMETERS Readout display will blink.
3. Enter the numerical value using the DIGITS Buttons. Make sure that each number appears in the PARAMETER Readout.
4. Press "Enter" to complete the entry.

Notes: *(1) If you attempt to exceed either the frequency or pixel range limits, the entry will default back to the original value, (2) The maximum number of pixels depends on the horizontal and vertical frequencies: higher frequencies dictate fewer pixels. If an entry exceeds the CM2000's capabilities, the corresponding pixel reading in the PARAMETERS Readout will flash the maximum pixels possible. Either: a) Press the previously selected parameter button to accept, or b) Select a lower vertical or horizontal frequency. See Appendix H for more information, (3) If you make an entry error, press the previously selected parameter button and repeat steps 3 and 4, (4) The CM2000 will return to the PARAMETERS settings last used before it was turned "Off" whenever you turn "On" the AC Power.*

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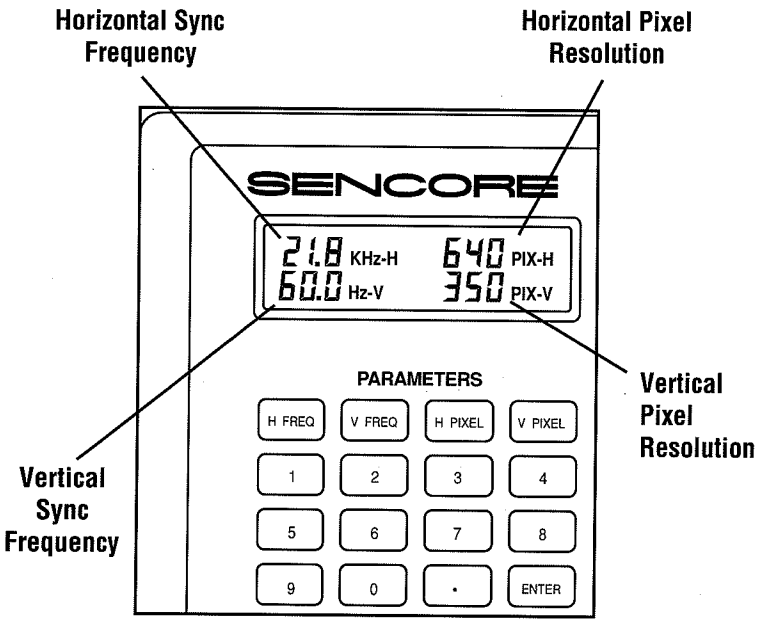


Fig. 7 Setting the CM2000 to generate the signals for an EGA monitor.

Example: programing the CM2000 to generate the correct signals for an EGA computer monitor.

1. Find the monitor's parameters in the service literature or in Appendix D.
2. Press H FREQ, 2, 1, ., 8, ENTER
3. Press V FREQ, 6, 0, ENTER
4. Press H PIXEL, 6, 4, 0, ENTER
5. Press V PIXEL, 3, 5, 0, ENTER

Setting The Video Format

Besides scan frequency differences, monitors vary in the makeup of the input signal, such as polarity, level and how the sync is applied. Additionally, many monitors can operate in several modes and use the polarity of the sync signals to figure out their operating mode. (Refer to the APPLICATION section entitled "Testing Mode Select Circuits" for details on multimode monitors).

The signal formats used by common monitors are shown in Appendix D and on the Pull Chart. The VIDEO FORMAT Buttons select the makeup of the signal at the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack to allow the CM2000 to duplicate all monitor input requirements. The Formats can be changed using the front panel buttons, by recalling a stored setup from memory, or via the Computer Interface Bus. Following is a further explanation of each VIDEO FORMAT Button:

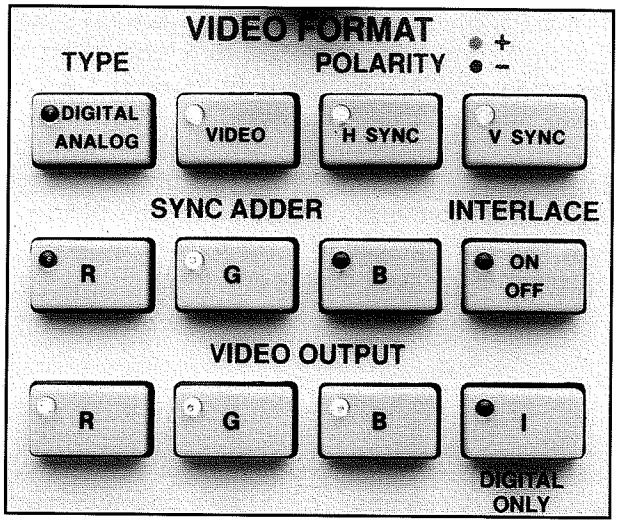
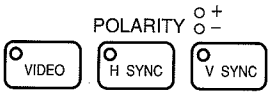


Fig. 8 The VIDEO FORMAT buttons control the makeup of the signals coming out of the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack.



Type - Monitors require either digital or analog input signals. This switch sets all the SYNC & VIDEO Output signals to digital levels (LED "on") or analog levels (LED "off"). If you select the wrong TYPE, the monitor will display the video patterns incorrectly. (Refer to the section entitled "Video Patterns" on page 17).



Polarity - The "Polarity" Format Buttons establish the polarity of the **VIDEO** (R, G, B & I), **H SYNC** (horizontal sync) and **V SYNC** (vertical sync) signals at the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack. The LED Indicator lights for "+" polarity and is unlit for "-" polarity. The "Polarity" Button also changes the polarity of the "Video" DRIVE SIGNAL.

Most monitors require "+" Video polarity. Choosing the wrong polarity will produce a negative picture image on the monitor. Incorrect sync polarities may have no effect on some monitors and may cause loss of sync in others. Some monitors use different sync polarity combinations to select operating modes.

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Sync Adder - The sync adder buttons select to which video line the sync information is added. Selecting R, G, or B adds both the vertical and horizontal sync to that signal line. Sync is added to a line when the corresponding LED Indicator is lit. Sync can only be added to "Analog" TYPE monitors.

Adding sync to a video line when it is not needed may change the background color or cause the picture to distort. Not adding sync to a video line that requires it will result in a raster that is out of sync.



Interlace - This button switches the vertical sync between interlaced scan (LED "on") and progressive scan. Set it to match the monitor type you are servicing. Most monitor types use progressive scan (Interlace "off").

In non-interlace, all the vertical pixels are displayed each field. In the interlace mode, one half the vertical pixels are displayed each field. If the "Interlace" setting does not match the monitor type, the display will loose vertical sync or will have vertical raster distortion.



Video Output - Use these buttons to make the R, G, B, and I output lines active (LED "on") or inactive. Some digital monitors use the "I" (intensity) line to provide an additional signal level step between on and off. The "I" output can only be selected for "Digital" Type monitors. To produce normal B&W and color operation, all Video Outputs (R, G, and B) must be "on."

Using The Memory Functions

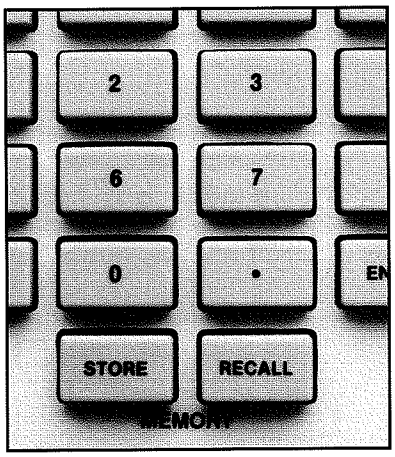


Fig. 9 60 Memory locations hold the most common monitor setups.

The CM2000's memory functions allow you to quickly recall a complete monitor setup, including the "Parameters" and "Video Format" settings, by entering the number of the desired setup. The memory presets consist of three groups: 1) Standard Setups, 2) User Setups, and 3) Computer Interface Setups. All the setups can be recalled from the front panel keypad, but only the "User Setups" can be programmed from the front panel.

Standard Setups (0-19) - Presets 0 through 19 are the setups for the most common monitor types. They are listed in Appendix E and in the pull chart beneath the unit. These setups are pre-programmed into permanent memory and cannot be erased or changed by the user.

User Setups (20-39) - Presets 20 through 39 can be programmed from the front panel keypad using the "Store" button. Use these presets to store special setups used in your servicing. The Pull Chart provides a place for you to write what you've stored under each number. The setups are stored in an E^2PROM and will not be lost when power is turned off.

Note: *Presets 20-39 were programmed during manufacture to be the same as setups 0-19 to prevent random settings. Simply enter your setup to overwrite the old one.*

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Computer Interface Setups (40-59) - Presets 40 through 59 can only be programmed via the INTERFACE ACCESSORY Jack, but can be recalled from the front panel "Recall" button. This prevents the setups from being accidently overwritten. The Pull Chart provides a place to write what is stored in each. The setups are stored in an E²PROM and will not be lost when power is turned off.

The Computer Interface Setups allow you to define and recall special signal parameter conditions such as horizontal and vertical blanking times. Refer to the "Automated Bus Operation" section for more details.

Note: *Memory presets 40-59 were programmed during manufacture to prevent random settings. Recalling one of these presets will return the same setups as locations 0-19 unless you have programmed in another.*

To recall a setup:

1. Press the "Recall" button. The PARAMETERS Readout annunciators will flash and the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout will blank.
2. Enter the desired preset number. The number will appear in the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout.

   Note: *Error "E 5" will appear in the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout if you enter a number higher than 59.*

3. Press the "Enter" button.

The CM2000 output signals are now set to the indicated parameters and format. Any of the settings may be altered using the front panel PARAMETERS and VIDEO FORMAT Buttons.

Example: recalling the setup for an MDA computer monitor.

1. Find the setup storage location of an MDA monitor in Appendix E or the pull chart.
2. Press RECALL 1 ENTER

The CM2000 is now generating the signals required by an MDA monitor.

To store a setup:

1. Set the "Parameters" and "Video Format" to the desired settings.
2. Press the "Store" button. The numbers in the PARAMETERS Readout will flash and the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout will blank.
3. Enter the desired preset between 20 and 39. The number will appear in the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout.

   Note: *Error "E 5" will appear in the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout if you enter a number that is not between 20 and 39.*

4. Press the "Enter" button.

The setup will overwrite the setup that was previously stored in the memory location and will stay in memory until you change it.

Example: storing a setup you've just programmed into the CM2000.

1. Choose an unused memory location (20-39). Let's say location "27".
2. Press STORE 2 7 ENTER

   All of the settings in the PARAMETERS and VIDEO FORMAT sections have been stored in memory location "27". To recall these settings:

3. Press RECALL 2 7 ENTER

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Selecting The Video Pattern

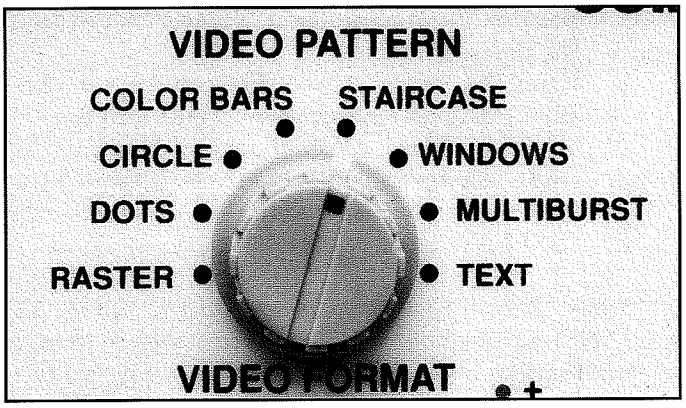


Fig. 10 The VIDEO PATTEN switch.

The VIDEO PATTERN Switch selects the RGB video signals at the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack and the "Video" Drive Signal at the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack. Each pattern provides a special test of the monitor's operation. The "R," "G" and "B" VIDEO OUTPUT Buttons must be selected for a pattern to appear on the monitor. Turning any of these buttons "off" will change the displayed pattern. Unless otherwise noted, the patterns appear the same on both "Digital" and "Analog" monitor types. Following is a description of each pattern and its uses.

Note: *Use the "+" Video FORMAT unless you are using the "Raster" pattern, or are servicing a monitor that requires "-" Video.*

Raster - The Raster pattern produces a box, surrounded by a 1 pixel-wide border. Use this pattern to check color purity and high voltage power supply regulation. The box should be pure white with no color hue when all the "Video Output" Buttons are "on." It changes to black in "-" video polarity. In the "+" video polarity, the box edges should remain straight and ripple free. The outside white border should remain straight and unchanged in either video polarity.

Check color purity by turning each R, G, and B VIDEO OUTPUT "on", one at a time. For each color, the raster should be pure with no other color visible.

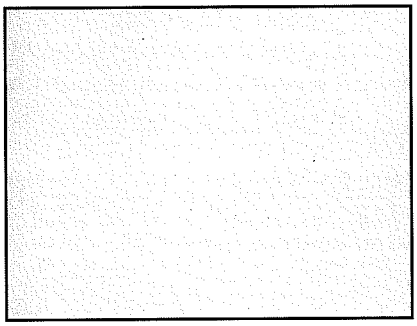


Fig. 11 - The RASTER video pattern.

Dots - Use the DOTS pattern for checking static and dynamic convergence. Check for white dots with no visible color. A misconverged CRT will show colored dots, instead of white dots.

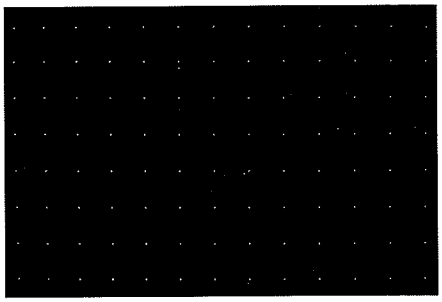


Fig. 12 - The DOTS video pattern.

Circle - The CIRCLE pattern provides a test of the monitor's linearity, and can be used to check dynamic convergence. Check that each line is straight and that each box is square and the same size throughout the raster. Also check that each circle is round with no visible distortion. If the CRT is converged properly, the lines will each be a single, white line instead of two or three colored lines.

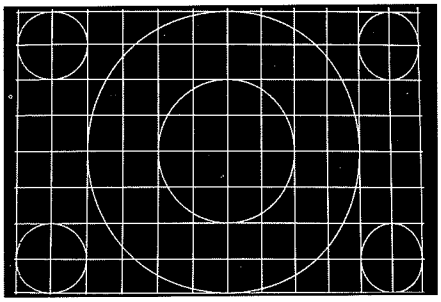


Fig. 13 - The CIRCLE video pattern.

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Color Bars - The COLOR BARS pattern tests the monitor's ability to produce proper color. Check that each color bar is present. A missing bar, or wrong color sequence, may indicate that a video channel is connected incorrectly or is defective. Also check that the colors are uniform in intensity from top to bottom and left to right. Non-uniform bars may indicate problems in the video amplifiers.

The COLOR BARS sequence is shown in figure 14 ("+" video polarity) for "Analog" TYPE FORMAT. When the "Digital" TYPE is selected, the pattern changes slightly depending on the setting of the "I" line. With the "I" line "on," the bar sequence is similar to the "Analog" TYPE with the bottom row of bars being brighter than the top row. When the "I" line is "off," the top and bottom bars are the same brightness.

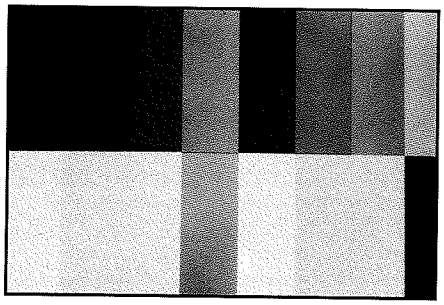


Fig. 14 - The COLOR BARS video pattern.

Staircase - The STAIRCASE pattern tests the brightness and contrast linearity of analog, and monochrome digital monitors. A properly working and adjusted analog or monochrome digital monitor will display 16 evenly spaced bars ranging from black to 100% white (or amber or green, depending on phosphor). Each step should have a sharp and distinct transition. The bars should be pure shades of gray with no hint of color.

Note: *The STAIRCASE pattern is produced by changing the signal level on the RGB lines in 16 steps. Therefore, color digital monitors (which are only capable of 2 levels) will not reproduce this pattern. Instead, they will produce color bars having the same sequence as the bars in the COLOR BARS pattern except the top row of bars will be on the left half of the screen and the bottom row will be on right half of the screen.*

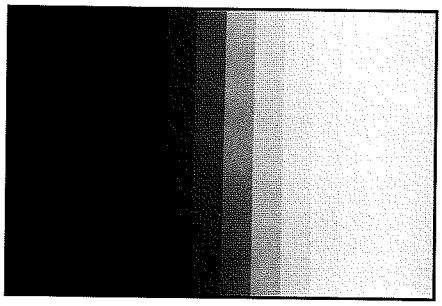


Fig. 15 - The STAIRCASE video pattern (analog and monochrome digital monitors).

Windows - Use this pattern to test the monitor's power supply regulation. Check for a clear, distinct transitions between the black and white portions. All the white boxes should be the same brightness level and the entire screen should be free of ripple. The pattern should lock in with no "bounce" as you switch between "+" and "-" video polarity.

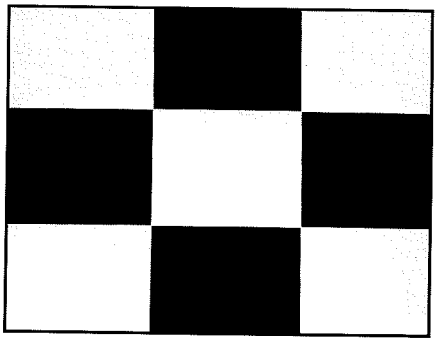


Fig. 16 - The WINDOWS video pattern.

Multiburst - The MULTIBURST pattern tests monitor resolution and bandwidth. The sets of vertical lines test horizontal pixel resolution and the sets of horizontal lines test vertical pixel resolution. The lines in each set are grouped according to pixel width. The lines in the first group are 1 pixel wide, the second group 2 pixels wide, the third group 3 pixels wide etc. The 1 pixel wide lines should be individually discernible on a properly operating monitor.

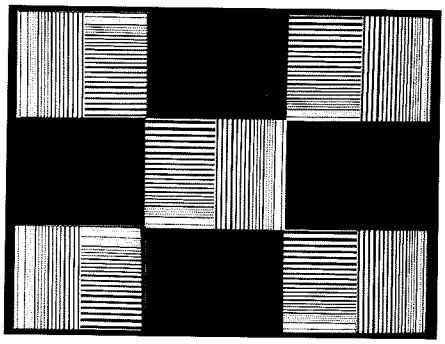


Fig. 17 - The MULTIBURST video pattern. The vertical lines test horizontal resolution and the horizontal lines test vertical resolution.

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Text - Use the TEXT pattern to make a final performance test on the monitor. This pattern fills the screen with upper and lower case text characters that duplicates user conditions. All the characters on the screen should be focused and easy to read.

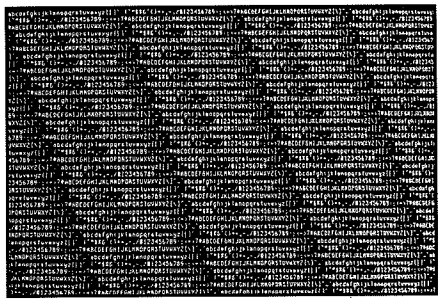


Fig. 18 The TEXT video pattern.

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TROUBLESHOOTING AND ANALYZING

The CM2000 provides special tests and signals to help you isolate problems to the defective stage. The Digital Display section provides a special Ringer test and signal measuring capabilities. The Drive Signal section provides signals to inject into the monitor circuits. This section explains how to use these troubleshooting and analyzing features of the CM2000. If you are not familiar with monitor troubleshooting, or need more information and examples on using the tests and Drive Signals, refer to the APPLICATIONS section of this manual.

Digital Display

The Digital Display section includes the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch and the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout. The DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch has three sections: 1) Ringer tests, 2) DVM, and 3) Drive Signal monitor. The DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout located directly above the switch shows the result of each test.

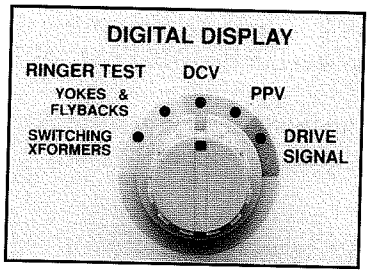


Fig. 19 The CM2000 provides tests and injection signals for troubleshooting defective monitors.

RINGER TEST

The Ringer Test detects shorted turns in deflection yokes, flyback transformers and IHVTs, and switching power supply transformers. It checks the coil's quality or "Q" and will locate shorted turns that cannot be detected by other troubleshooting methods. The Ringer test is the same patented test used in other Sencore Analyzers and "Z Meters."

Note: *The Ringer Test may not show the same number of "Rings" as the Ringer in another Sencore unit. This is due to small variations in drive levels and autoranging steps. In all cases, coils with a shorted turn will read "Bad."*

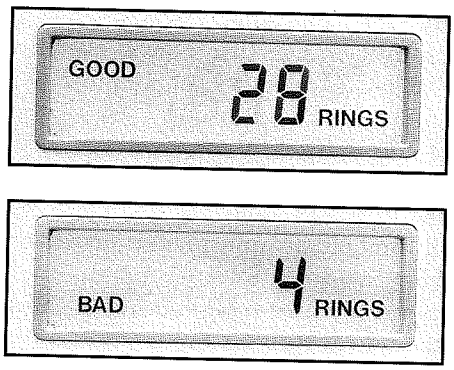


Fig. 20 Good yokes and transformers will ring greater than 10. (top), while a bad component will ring less than 10 (bottom).

Connecting the Test Lead to the coil places a capacitor in parallel with the coil. A pulse is applied to the cap/coil combination and the CM2000 automatically ranges the capacitor value to produce the highest number of "rings." The DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout shows the number of times the coil rings before it dampens out. A reading of "10" or more is "GOOD" and means that the coil does not contain a shorted turn. A "BAD" reading, less than 10 rings, indicates a shorted turn. The CM2000 provides two different Ringer Test positions that match the different types of coils found in monitors. Refer to the APPLICATIONS section for more details on ringing yokes and transformers.

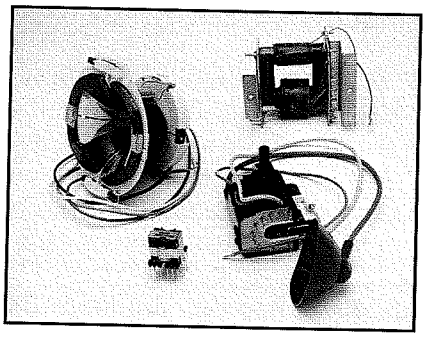


Fig. 21 Use the Ringer Test to locate shorted turns in switching transformers, yokes, flybacks and IHVTs.

Switching Xformers - Use this Ringer Test position to test the transformers used in switching power supplies. These transformers typically have a lower "Q" than yokes and flybacks and need to be tested at a different level. The transformer needs to be removed from the circuit to make the Ringing test.

Yokes & Flybacks - Use this Ringer Test position for testing deflection yokes, flyback transformers, and the flyback portion of IHVTs. Refer to the APPLICATIONS section for special details on ringing flybacks and yokes.

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Ringer Fuse - The Ringer Test function is protected from externally applied voltage by a 1 amp, 250 volt Slo-Blo fuse, type 3AG. The fuse holder is on the rear panel of the unit. If the fuse blows, the Ringer Test will read "0 RINGS" on every coil you test.

To replace the Ringer fuse:

1. Press to release the snap-in fuse holder.
2. Pull the holder and the fuse out of the fuse holder base.
3. Replace the fuse with another of the same type and rating.
4. Insert the holder and fuse into the fuse holder base and snap it back into place.

CAUTION

The wrong Ringer fuse may damage the CM2000. Replace only with a 1 amp, 250 volt, Slo-Blo, type 3AG.

To do the Ringer Test:

1. Connect the supplied DIRECT TEST LEAD to the RINGER TEST Jack.
2. Set the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch to the component type to be tested.
3. Connect the direct Test Lead to the component.
4. Read the test result in the DIGITAL DISPLAY.

A reading of "10" or more indicates that the component does not have a shorted turn.

Notes: *1) IHVTs develop may develop failures other than shorted turns. 2) If the vertical winding of a yoke contains damping resistors, remove them first. See "Testing Yokes" on page 43. 3) Flyback Transformers may develop shorts between windings. See "Testing Flyback Transformers" on page 46.*

DVM

The autoranged DVM portion of the DIGITAL DISPLAY section measures external DC and peak-to-peak voltages. Use the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch to select the desired measurement. The DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout displays the voltage levels.

Use the supplied DVM TEST LEADS (39G264) to connect the external voltages to the PPV & DCV INPUT Jack. The input range limits are 2000 volts for both DCV and PPV, with the PPV frequency response extending from 30 Hz to 5 MHz. The measuring range of the DCV function is extended to 10 kV by the TP212 "10kV Transient Protector Probe" (optional), and to 50 kV with the (optional) HP200 "50kV High Voltage Probe."

To measure external DCV and PPV:

1. Set the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch to either "DCV" or "PPV".
2. Connect the "Banana" ends of the supplied DVM TEST LEADS to the PPV & DCV INPUT Jack.
3. Connect the probe ends of the supplied DVM TEST LEADS to the circuit test points.
4. Read the level in the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout.
5. A flashing "888" display indicates the applied signal is greater than 1999 volts.

DRIVE SIGNAL MONITOR

The "Drive Signal" position of the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch allows you to monitor the level of the internal Drive Signals. The DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout shows the signal level at the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack. The readings are accurate for all signals and ranges.

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Drive Signals

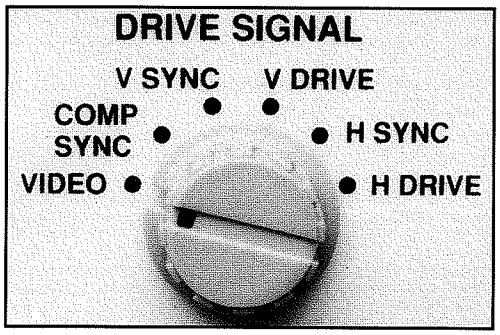


Fig. 22 Use the drive signals to inject a known good signal into a defective stage in the monitor.

The Drive Signals provide a known good signal to substitute into the circuits to locate the defective stage. The Drive Signals are phase-locked to the RGB signals at the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack to restore proper operation when substituting for the missing or wrong signal. Connect the monitor to the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack and set the PARAMETERS and VIDEO FORMAT to match the monitor. Then, inject the substitute Drive Signals into the defective stages to restore normal operation. Specific information on troubleshooting using Signal Substitution and the Drive Signals is located in the APPLICATIONS section of this manual.

Use the supplied DIRECT TEST LEAD (39G221) to connect the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack to the circuit. The DRIVE OUTPUT Jack has a floating ground so you can use it independently of the other CM2000 Input or Outputs, and you can connect the "Ground" lead to points other than circuit ground.

Drive Signal Switch

The DRIVE SIGNAL Switch selects the signal available at the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack. The frequency of the Drive Signals match the RGB signals at the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack and can be set with the PARAMETERS Buttons.

VIDEO - The "Video" Drive Signal provides the proper signal to inject into video stages, including the red, green and blue channels. The "Video" Drive Signal will produce the color of the channel it is injected into. Use the "Raster" VIDEO PATTERN with the "Video" Drive Signal for most troubleshooting applications.

The "Video" Drive Signal matches the green "Video Output" signal. Injecting using the "Color Bars" or "Staircase" video patterns into the red, green and blue channels will cause the color bars to appear in a different order.

COMP SYNC - This Drive Signal provides vertical and horizontal composite sync. Use it in monitors that contain sync separator stages. The frequencies match the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT signals. The "Interlace" VIDEO FORMAT Button turns interlace on and off.

V SYNC - The vertical sync Drive Signal provides the proper signal to inject into the vertical stages before the oscillator. The frequency matches the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT signal. The "Interlace" VIDEO FORMAT Button turns interlace on and off.

V DRIVE - The vertical drive Drive Signal closely matches the signal in the vertical output stages. Use it to inject into the vertical stages between the oscillator output and driver output.

H SYNC - The horizontal sync Drive Signal provides the proper signal to inject into the horizontal stages before the oscillator. The frequency matches the SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT signal. This Drive Signal is also used to do the IHVT "Drive Test" explained in the APPLICATIONS section.

H DRIVE - The horizontal drive Drive Signal closely matches the signal in the horizontal output stages. Use it to inject into the horizontal stages between the oscillator output and the base of the output transistor.

Setting The Drive Level

The DRIVE RANGE and DRIVE LEVEL Controls adjust the peak-to-peak level of the signal at the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack. The DRIVE RANGE CONTROL provides a coarse adjustment of the output signal level. It sets the maximum output level at 3, 30, or 300VPP. The 3 & 30VPP ranges can drive a 100 ohm impedance before the output level drops, while the 300VPP range can drive a 10 kohm impedance.

***Note:** The "warning LED" will flash whenever the 300 VPP Drive Range is selected to warn you that the signal is sufficient to produce a shock.*

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The DRIVE LEVEL Control provides a variable signal level within the range set by the DRIVE RANGE Control. The signal level at the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack is shown in the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout when the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch is set to "Drive Signal." The DRIVE LEVEL Control also sets the polarity of the output signal. Turning the DRIVE LEVEL Control clockwise produces positive polarity signals, while turning the control counter-clockwise produces negative polarity signals.

To use the Drive Signals:

1. Set the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch to "Drive Signal."
2. Set the DRIVE LEVEL Control to "0."
3. Select the desired Drive Signal.
4. Connect the DIRECT TEST LEAD to the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack and connect the test clips to the circuit test point and circuit ground.
5. Set the DRIVE RANGE CONTROL to the lowest range that includes the required signal level.
6. Adjust the DRIVE LEVEL Control to the desired level while reading the output level in the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout.

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COMPUTER AUTOMATED OPERATION

Introduction

The CM2000 Computer Monitor Analyzer can be used for computer controlled, automated testing. A simple computer program can be developed that automatically "sets up" the CM2000's front panel controls as well as collects test data.

The CM2000 can be used with either the IEEE-488 Bus and the Sencore IB72 accessory, or the RS232 Bus and the Sencore IB78 accessory. Both accessories connect to the INTERFACE ACCESSORY JACK on the rear of the CM2000.

Note: *when using the CM2000 with the IB72 IEEE 488 Bus Interface, check if EPROM IC4 is version 2.0. If your IB72 has version 2.0, contact the Sencore Service Department for a replacement.*

The CM2000 can be used as either a "talker" or "listener." When the CM2000 is in the "listener" mode, the computer has control of the front panel setup. The computer can automatically set the sync and pixel parameters, the video pattern, video format, digital display controls and the drive signal.

Note: *the CM2000's drive signal level cannot be set by the computer.*

When the CM2000 is in the "talker" mode, it sends information to the computer. Upon the correct command from the computer program, the CM2000 will send all of its front panel settings as well as ringer test readings, DC volts readings and peak-to-peak volts readings.

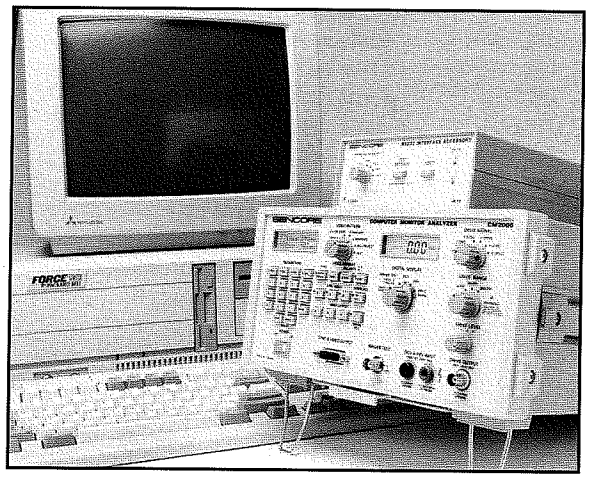


Fig. 23 The CM2000 can be used for automatic testing by connecting an Interface Accessory and a computer.

CONNECTING THE CM2000 TO THE INTERFACE BUS

The CM2000 produces a specially formatted signal which must be translated by a Sencore Bus Interface Accessory. The interface accessory connects in series with the computer and the CM2000. A standard cable connects the computer and the interface accessory.

WARNING

Connect only the Sencore interface bus accessories to the INTERFACE ACCESSORY JACK on the rear of the CM2000. Do not connect other instruments or interface bus equipment to the CM2000 even if the connectors fit.

When the IEEE-488 bus system is used, the CM2000 must be assigned an address separate from the other products on the system. This enables the computer to select which instrument it talks or listens to (follow the individual instructions for the computer and interface accessory for connection and address requirements.)

WARNING

Do not apply power to the CM2000 or interface accessory until all connections have been made.

To connect the CM2000 to an automated test system:

1. Remove power from the CM2000, interface accessory, and the computer.
2. Set the slide switch on the rear of the IB72 IEEE-488 Bus Interface Accessory for the proper address assigned to the CM2000. No addressing is needed with the IB78.
3. Connect the interface accessory's male DIN connector to the INTERFACE ACCESSORY JACK located on the rear of the CM2000.
4. Connect the proper cable from the interface accessory to the computer.
5. Supply power to all units in the automated system, and verify all units have been turned on.

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COMMAND DESCRIPTIONS

The same sequence of steps are required to use the CM2000 via the computer interface bus as are required for manual operation. The CM2000 uses an extensive series of commands to control the front panel setup. The entire command must be sent in order for the CM2000 to properly respond. Following is a listing of the control commands recognized by the CM2000:

The CM2000 As a Listener

HFQ XXX.X KHZ	set horizontal scan frequency (in KHz)
VFQ XXX.X HZ	set vertical scan frequency (in Hz)
HPX XXXX PIX	set horizontal pixel resolution
VPX XXXX PIX	set vertical pixel resolution
PAT RAS	select RASTER pattern
PAT DOT	select DOTS pattern
PAT CIR	select CIRCLE pattern
PAT BAR	select COLOR BARS pattern
PAT MLT	select STAIRCASE pattern
PAT STR	select WINDOWS pattern
PAT WIN	select MULTIBURST pattern
PAT TXT	select TEXT pattern
OUT DIG	set video output to digital
OUT ANA	set video output to analog
MOD INT	interlaced format mode
MOD NON	non-interlaced mode
VID+	set video to (+)
VID-	set video to (-)
HSY+	set horizontal sync to (+)
HSY-	set horizontal sync to (-)
VSY+	set vertical sync to (+)
VSY-	set vertical sync to (-)
RSY ON	place sync on red video
RSY OFF	take sync off of red video
GSY ON	place sync on green video
GSY OFF	take sync off of green video
BSY ON	place sync on blue video
BSY OFF	take sync off of blue video
RGN ON	turn red output on
RGN OFF	turn red output off
GGN ON	turn green output on
GGN OFF	turn green output off
BGN ON	turn blue output on
BGN OFF	turn blue output off
IGN ON	turn intensity output on
IGN OFF	turn intensity output off
STO XX	store setup in memory location XX
RCL XX	recall setup from memory location XX
DSP RYF	set the DIGITAL DISPLAY switch to RINGER TEST YOKES & FLYBACKS
DSP RSX	set the DIGITAL DISPLAY switch to RINGER TEST SWITCHING XFORMERS
DSP VDC	set the DIGITAL DISPLAY switch to DCV
DSP VPP	set the DIGITAL DISPLAY switch to PPV
DSP DRV	set the DIGITAL DISPLAY switch to DRIVE SIGNAL
DRV VID	set drive signal to VIDEO
DRV CMP	set drive signal to COMP SYNC
DRV VSY	set drive signal to V SYNC
DRV VDR	set drive signal to V DRIVE
DRV HSY	set drive signal to H SYNC
DRV HDR	set drive signal to H DRIVE
SPE	enable sync parameters change mode
SPD	disable sync parameters change mode
THS XXXX NS	set horizontal sync time
THF XXXX NS	set horizontal front porch time
THB XXXX NS	set horizontal back porch time
TVS XXXX US	set vertical sync time
TVF XXXX US	set vertical front porch time
TVB XXXX US	set vertical back porch time
CPO	resets the CM2000 to manual operation after a bus command has been received

The CM2000 As a Talker

CPS ALL	returns all of the front panel settings and readings (18 lines of data)
CPS MET	returns digital display reading
CPS LCD	returns frequency/pixel display (4 lines of data)
CPS DTM	returns display timings
CPS DSP	returns digital display function
CPS DRV	returns which drive signal is being generated
CPS HFQ	returns horizontal sync frequency
CPS VFQ	returns vertical sync frequency
CPS HPX	returns horizontal pixel resolution
CPS VPX	returns vertical pixel resolution
CPS MEM	returns the memory location (if it has been stored)
CPS HSY	returns horizontal sync polarity
CPS VSY	returns vertical sync polarity
CPS OUT	returns digital or analog monitor type
CPS MOD	returns interlaced or non-interlaced
CPS RGN	returns if the R gun on or off
CPS GGN	returns if the G gun on or off
CPS BGN	returns if the B gun on or off
CPS RSY	returns if the R sync on or off
CPS GSY	returns if the G sync on or off
CPS BSY	returns if the B sync on or off

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DATA RETURNED BY THE CM2000 IN THE TALKER MODE

All data returned from the CM2000 is in a standard data format. Each string of data is the same length and contains information in four data fields. Your computer program can keep the entire string of characters together, or it can separate the fields for calculations or processing.

Each data string is 25 characters long. The four data string fields are: (1) header, (2) data, (3) alpha and (4) end terminator. Each field has the same number of characters for any function, allowing you to use the same subroutines to process any returned data.

Following are the details for each field:

(1) Header: Characters 0-2 identify the nature of the data being sent to the computer.

(2) Data: Characters 3-19 contain the data.

(3) Alpha: Characters 20-22 are the units for the data sent (e.g. KHZ) or an indicator for the front panel setup (e.g. ON/OFF, NEG/POS).

(4) End: Terminator: Character 23 contains the carriage return (ASCII decimal 13) and character 24 contains the line feed (ASCII decimal 10). Many computers respond to either, while others need the line feed. A few computers may stop accepting data when the carriage return is sent, leaving the CM2000 hung up and waiting to send its last line feed character. If this happens, put an extra GET or INPUT statement into your control program to let the CM2000 send its last character into an unused variable.

Header			Data																Alpha			End	
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
M	E	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	.	7	V	P	P	CR	LF
L	C	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	4	0	P	I	X	CR	LF
D	T	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	N	S		CR	LF
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B	S	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	O	F	F	CR	LF

CR = carriage return
LF = line feed

Fig. 24 This is an example of the data format the CM2000 sends to the computer.

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Error Codes

The CM2000 will display an error code on its right LCD display if it receives the wrong code or if a parameter exceeds its range limits.

CM2000 Interface Bus Error Codes

E1	Scan frequency beyond range of unit (Example: trying to set HFQ 260).
E2	Invalid bus command or bus command used incorrectly.
E3	Pixel resolution is beyond range of unit (Example: trying to set HPX 1248).
E4	Function not allowed in selected format (Example: trying to select the I line when the unit is in the analog mode).
E5	Invalid memory store/recall location (Example:RCL 76).
E6	Vertical timing entry too short (Example: blanking time is less than 1/H).
E7	Horizontal timing entry is too short. (Example: sync width is less than 0.3 uSec or blanking time is less than 1.5 uSec).
E8	Horizontal blanking time too long. (Example: the blanking time is set longer than the total horizontal scan time or the defined number of pixels can't be fit in the resultant active video time).
E9	Sync parameter change mode not enabled (Example: program needs SPE code before sync timing changes can be made).
E10	Vertical Pixel Count is forced to go below the range of the unit. This error only occurs from the front panel.

Fig. 25 CM2000 Error Codes

Setting Sync Pulse Timing Through The Interface Bus

The parameter setups for the most common monitors have been stored in the CM2000's memory locations 0-19. These setups contain the correct pixel, sync frequency parameters, and sync polarities for the standard monitor types. These setups also contain the correct sync timing parameters, including back porch time, front porch time, and blanking times for both the horizontal and vertical sync pulses.These sync pulse timing parameters determine the position of the raster on the display. If the parameters are incorrect, the raster may be shifted off of center on the display.

As the horizontal and vertical sync frequencies and horizontal and vertical pixels values are entered, the CM2000 automatically determines the monitor format and adjusts the sync timings accordingly. If the CM2000 doesn't recognize the format, it sets the parameters to a sync timing default (see the Specification sheet for the timing values). The monitor will display a pattern, but it may not be centered correctly on the screen.

There may be situations where you do a lot of testing on a monitor type that isn't recognized by the CM2000. If so, you can set the CM2000 to generate the signal timings you need. This is completed through the interface bus. Your special setups can be stored in memory locations 40-59, and can be recalled using the front panel "recall" button.

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Example: Programming the CM2000's sync pulse timings through the interface bus. For our example we'll use a non-interlaced, analog monitor with the following specifications:

	Horizontal	Vertical
Frequency	65.2 KHz	61.6 Hz
Resolution	1024 Pixels	1024 Pixels
Front Porch	360 nsec	62 uSec
Sync	770 nsec	92 uSec
Back Porch	770 nsec	92 uSec
Polarity	+	+

Fig. 26 An example of a computer monitor's timing parameters

Computer program that sets the above parameters:

	Code	Description
100	SPE	enables sync parameters change mode
110	HFQ 65.2 KHZ	sets horizontal scan frequency
120	VFQ 61.6 HZ	sets vertical scan frequency
130	HPX 1024 PIX	sets horizontal pixel resolution
140	VPX 1024 PIX	sets vertical pixel resolution
150	OUT ANA	sets the video output to analog
160	HSY+	sets horizontal sync to (+)
170	VSY+	sets vertical sync to (+)
180	MOD NON	non-interlaced mode
190	THS 770 NS	sets horizontal sync time
200	THF 360 NS	sets horizontal front porch time
210	THB 770 NS	sets horizontal back porch time
220	TVS 92 US	sets vertical sync time
230	TVF 62 US	sets vertical front porch time
240	TVB 92 US	sets vertical back porch time
250	STO 40	stores setup in memory location 40
260	SPD	disables sync parameter change mode

When programming the sync timings through the interface bus, you need to make sure the pixel value doesn't exceed the time allotted by the programmed horizontal and vertical scanning frequencies or that the programmed setup doesn't exceed the bandwidth of the CM2000 (see Appendix H).

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APPLICATIONS

INTRODUCTION

The Applications section will help you use the CM2000 to its fullest capabilities. It is divided into two main parts: 1) Understanding Monitors, and 2) Troubleshooting Monitors. The first part provides a basic overview of monitors and their operation. The second part covers troubleshooting applications using the CM2000.

You can use the APPLICATIONS section two ways. First, use it as a reference for how to do a specific test. For example, details on troubleshooting horizontal circuit problems are in the section entitled "Troubleshooting Horizontal Circuits." Use the Table of Contents to find the information you want.

Second, you can use the information in the APPLICATIONS section as a step-by-step troubleshooting guide. The material follows the COMPUTER MONITOR FUNCTIONAL ANALYZING TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE ("Trouble Tree") that accompanies this manual. The "Trouble Tree" will help you decide what tests and signal injections to do for a given symptom. It outlines a logical troubleshooting sequence that will lead you to the defective stage in the least time.

The APPLICATIONS section provides you with specific details and procedures for troubleshooting defective monitors. After you have become familiar with the test procedures, you will be able to troubleshoot following only the steps outlined by the "Trouble Tree." Begin your troubleshooting by selecting the "Trouble Tree" path that best fits the symptom you observe.

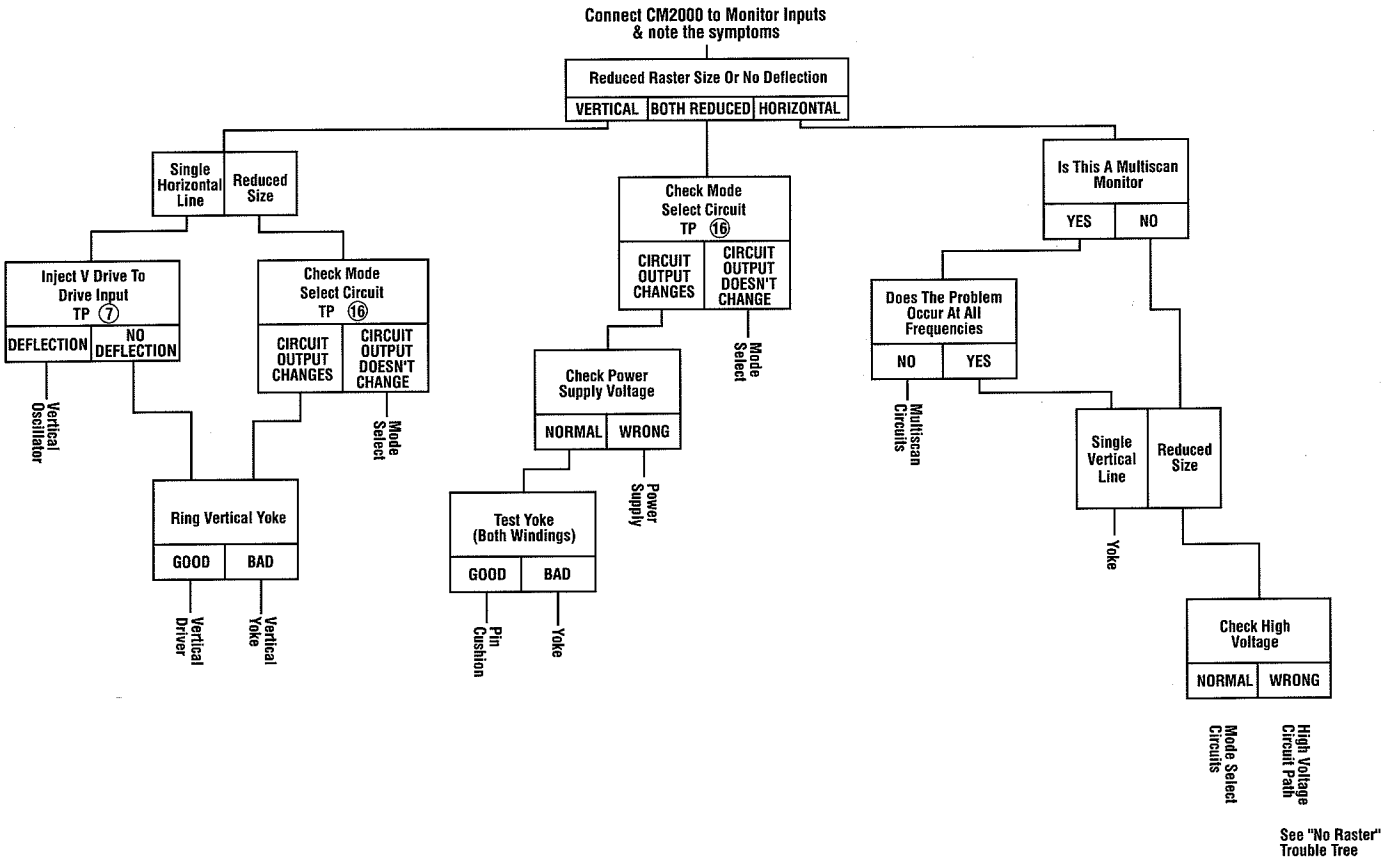


Fig. 27 - Select the "Trouble Tree" path that most closely matches the symptom of the computer monitor you are servicing.

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Part 1 UNDERSTANDING MONITORS

Monitor Types

The CM2000 provides the signals necessary to service all types of monitors that do not use a composite video input signal. These include RGB computer monitors, data display terminals, monochrome computer monitors, RGB video monitors and specialized display monitors requiring non-composite video inputs.

These monitors fall into two basic types: digital and analog. They can be either monochrome or color. The input signals to a digital monitor are a TTL logic level that is either high (greater than 2 volts) or low (less than 0.8 volts). Color digital monitors have red, green, blue, and usually an intensity input, and can display up to 64 colors using combinations of logic "1"s and "0"s on the input lines. Monochrome digital monitors may display up to 64 shades of gray (or green or amber depending on the phosphor) by also using combinations of logic levels on the inputs. Appendix F shows these level combinations.

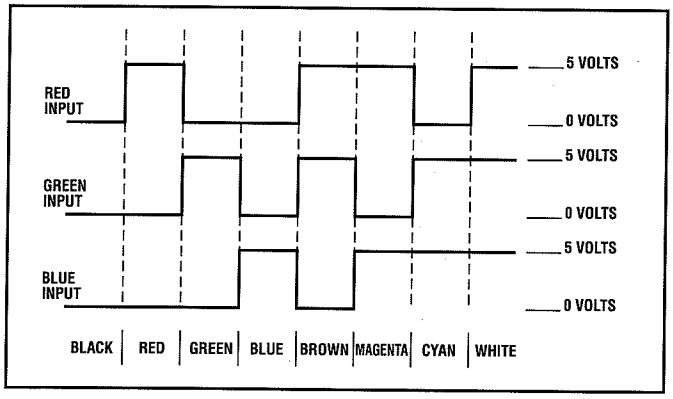


Fig. 28 - The signal input to digital monitors is either a logic low or a logic high.

Analog monitors can display an infinite number of colors or shades of gray. The video signal fed to an analog computer monitor is usually 0.7 VPP (black to white). The horizontal and vertical sync in analog monitors are usually digital levels.

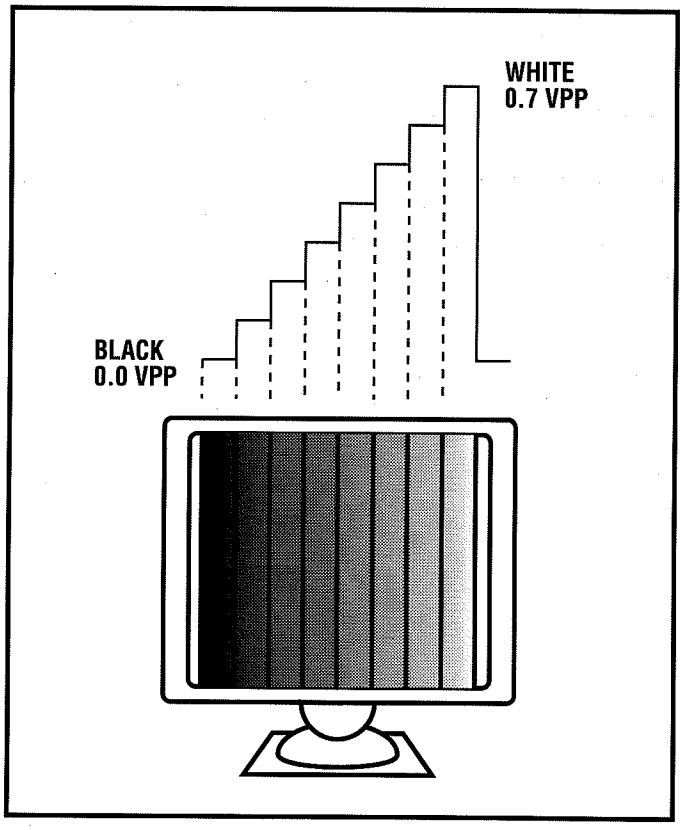


Fig. 29 - Analog monitors can display an infinite number of colors or gray shades.

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Performance Capabilities

Four main parameters determine the performance capabilities of a monitor: horizontal frequency, horizontal pixels, vertical frequency and vertical pixels (lines). Here is a brief explanation of each:

Horizontal frequency is the number of times per second the electron beam travels horizontally across the CRT and back (horizontal scan). The inverse of horizontal frequency (1/H FREQ) is the horizontal scan time.

Horizontal pixels are the number of dots or picture elements that can be displayed horizontally. A pixel is the smallest dot or picture element the monitor can produce.

Vertical frequency is the number of times per second the electron beam travels from the top of the CRT to the bottom and back (vertical scan). The inverse of vertical frequency (1/V FREQ) is the vertical scan time.

Vertical pixels are the number of picture elements that are displayed vertically on the CRT. Vertical pixels can be compared to "lines" in television terminology.

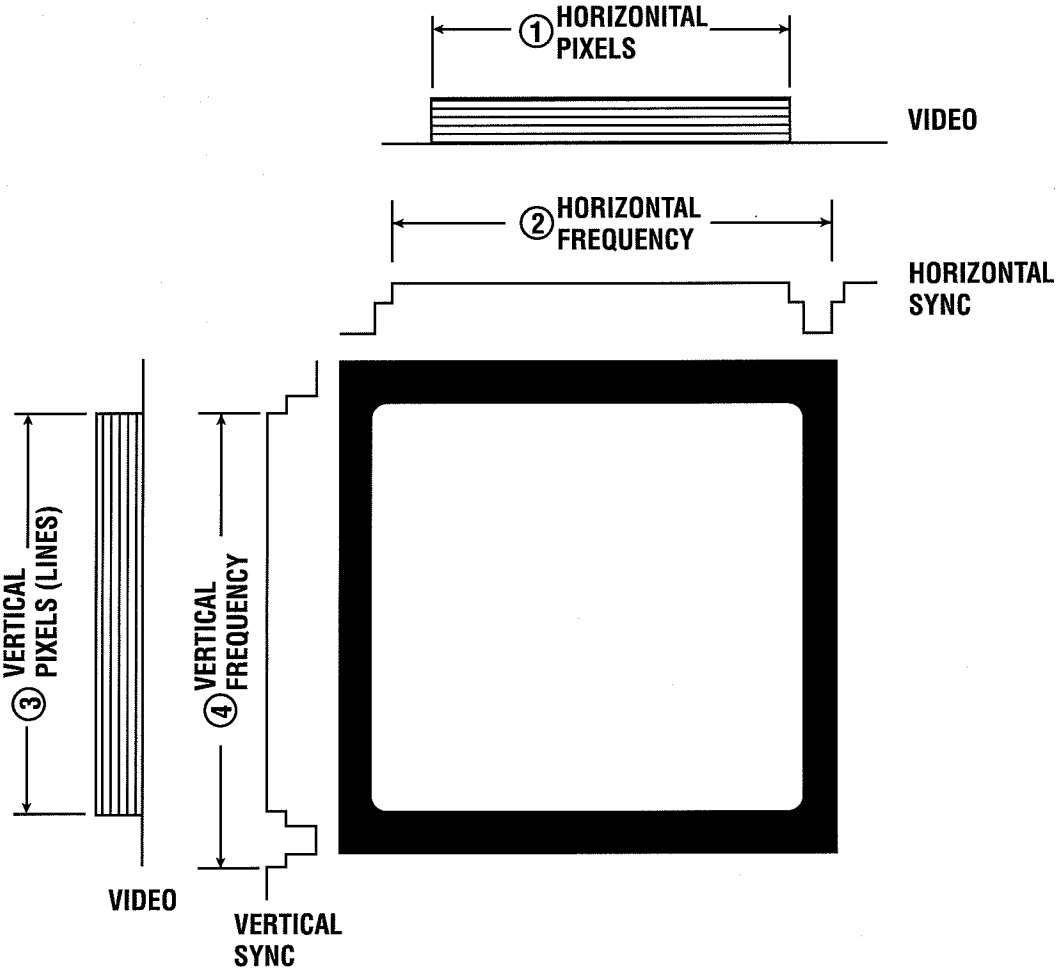


Fig. 30 A computer monitor's performance capabilities can be defined by four parameters: (1) horizontal pixels, (2) horizontal frequency, (3) vertical pixels and (4) vertical frequency.

Increasing the horizontal frequency and the number of pixels displayed (displaying more pixels in less time) improves image clarity and resolution. High resolution monitors can produce images with as much detail as 35MM film. For more information, refer to Appendix G, "Calculating A Monitor's Bandwidth."

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Video Adapter Card

Monitors that are connected to computers receive their signal from a video graphics adapter card or circuitry located inside the computer. The adapter card generates the video and sync signals needed by the monitor. There are several different video graphics standards, such as **c**olor **g**raphics **a**dapter (CGA), **e**nhanced **g**raphics **a**dapter (EGA), and **v**ideo **g**raphics **a**dapter (VGA). Each standard produces different sync frequencies and pixel counts, and each video adapter card requires a compatible type monitor. Multiscan monitors work with any type of video graphics adapter card because they can sync to a wide range of frequencies. Appendix D gives a listing of the common graphic standards.

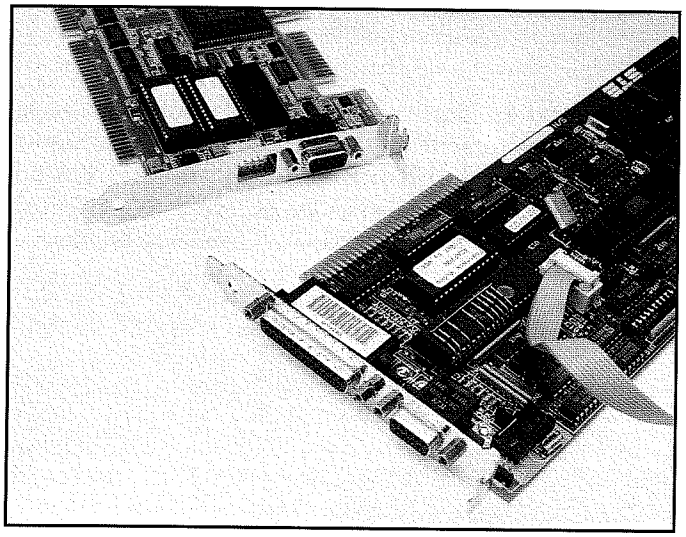


Fig. 31 The video adaptor card is housed in the computer and is responsible for generating the video and sync signals.

Video Circuits

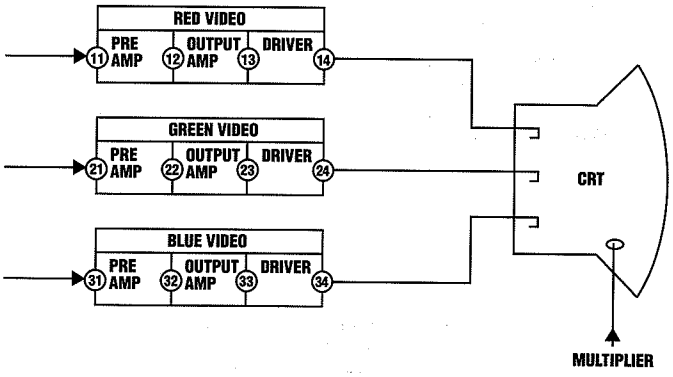


Fig. 32 Video circuits block diagram.

The video circuits amplify the input signals to a level that is sufficient to drive the CRT. They also set the correct bias for the CRT and provide brightness and contrast control. Color monitors have 3 sets of identical amplifiers - one for each channel of the RGB signal. Each channel must function identically in order for the monitor to produce proper color.

Because of the fast scanning frequencies and high resolutions in monitors, the bandwidth of the video amplifiers is usually quite high. Bandwidths of 50 MHz or more are not uncommon. (Contrast this with the 4.2 MHz, or less, response of television receivers).

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Sync Stages

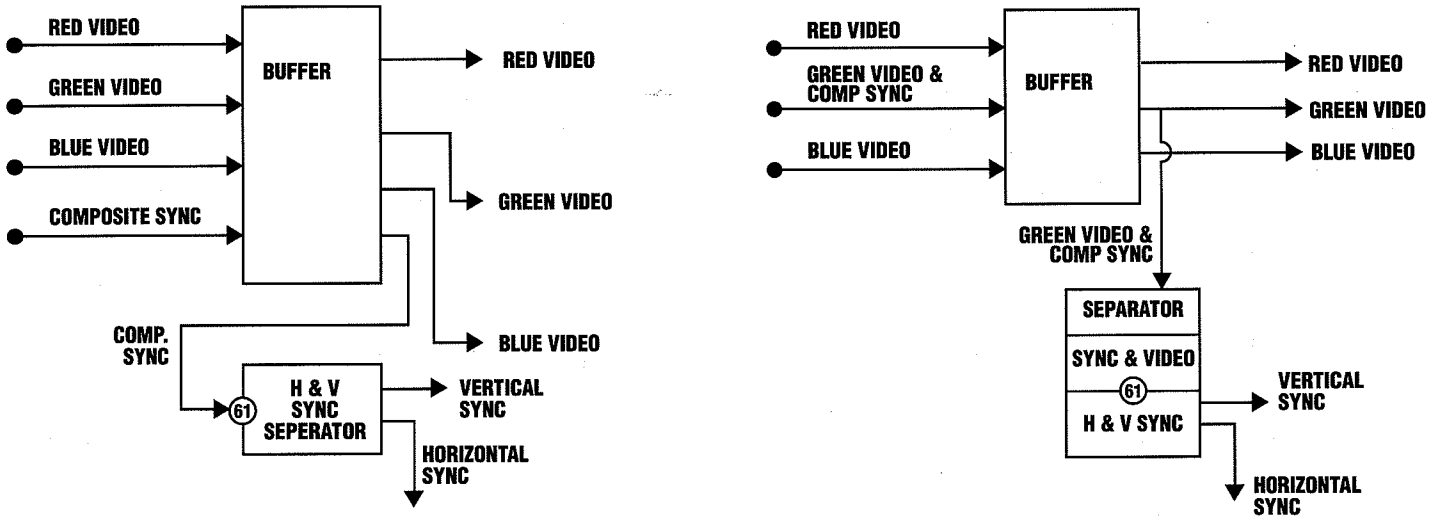


Fig. 33 Some monitors have a composite sync input while others receive sync on one of the video lines.

Most monitors receive separate horizontal and vertical sync inputs that feed directly into the horizontal and vertical oscillators via a buffer. Some monitors use a composite sync input in which both the vertical and horizontal sync is fed in on the same pin. These monitors require a V&H sync separator stage to separate the sync signals before they are fed to the oscillators.

Other monitors, such as Apple Macintosh® monitors, use a composite sync signal on the green video input line. In these monitors, the sync must first be separated from the green video before the horizontal and vertical sync can be separated from one another.

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Mode Select

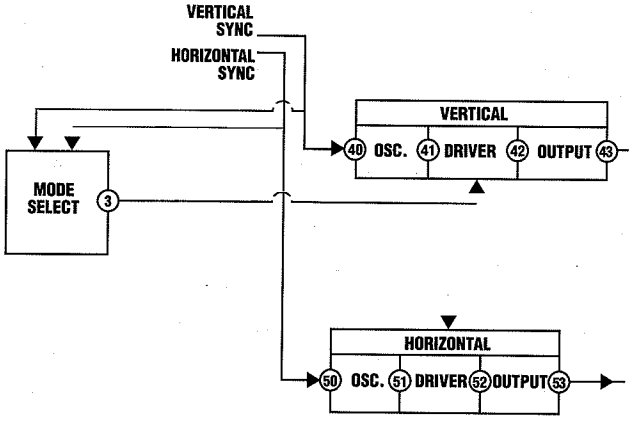


Fig. 34 Mode select circuit block diagram.

Several monitor standards (PGC, MCGA, and VGA) have multiple graphics modes. The VGA standard, for example, has three modes as Fig 35 shows. VGA 1 and VGA 3 differ only in the number of pixels that are displayed. With everything else equal, the raster in VGA 1 (350 vertical pixels) would have less height than the raster in VGA 3 (480 vertical pixels), and the display would appear compressed.

Mode	Horizontal Resolution	Vertical Resolution (Pixels)	Horiz. Sync Polarity	Vert. Sync Polarity
(1) VGA	640	350	(+)	(-)
(2) VGA	720	400	(-)	(+)
(3) VGA	640	480	(-)	(-)

Fig. 35 Standards for the three VGA modes.

A mode select circuit, used in some monitors, compensates for the compressed display that results from these different graphic modes. The mode select senses the input and tells the vertical driver to adjust the drive current to produce a full raster. The polarity of the horizontal and vertical sync pulses forms a code that tells the mode select circuit what graphics mode is applied. Figure 35 shows the polarity code. Test the mode circuits by changing the sync polarities and checking for proper raster height.

Vertical And Horizontal Circuits

The vertical and horizontal circuits each consist of an Oscillator, Driver, Output, and Yoke. The oscillator is synchronized to the incoming video. It develops a signal that is amplified and converted to a current waveform by the driver. The output stage provides sufficient current to drive the deflection yoke. The yoke produces the magnetic field necessary to move the electron beam up and down and back and forth across the face of the CRT.

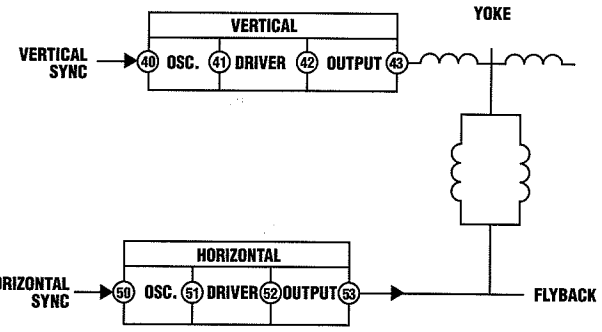


Fig. 36 Vertical and horizontal circuits block diagram.

Problems in the oscillator result in no deflection or loss of sync. A problem in the driver, output or yoke results in no deflection, partial deflection, or poor linearity.

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High Voltage and Power Supply Circuits

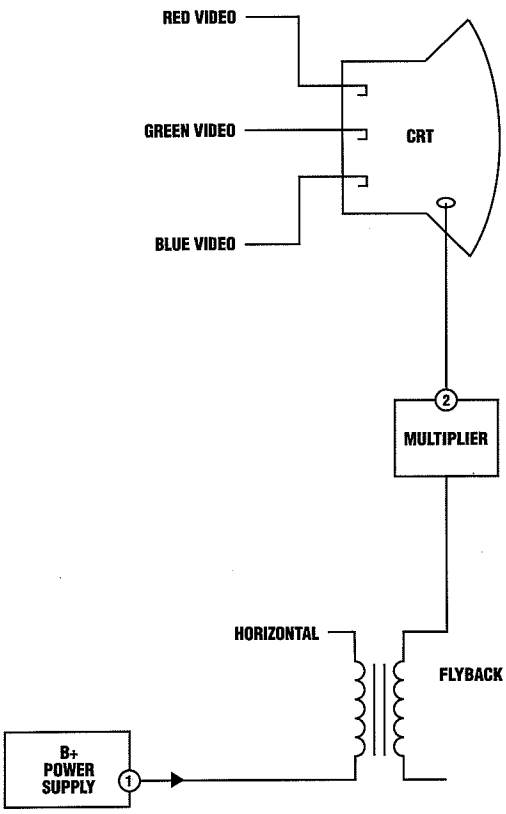


Fig. 37 High voltage and power supply circuit block diagram.

The horizontal circuits have a second function besides providing deflection: they provide the drive signal to the flyback transformer that creates the focus and high voltage voltages, and other scan derived power supply voltages.

During normal operation, a large pulse is produced at the collector of the horizontal output transistor. The output connects to the primary of the flyback transformer so the pulses are induced into the flyback's secondary. The pulses are: 1) stepped up and rectified to produce the focus and high voltage,and 2) rectified to produce the DC voltages used to operate the monitor. Because these voltages depend on the pulse at the output transistor that occurs from horizontal scanning, they are called "scan derived".

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Part 2 TROUBLESHOOTING MONITORS

GETTING STARTED

The CM2000 improves troubleshooting effectiveness through a technique called "Functional Analyzing". This method is made up of two parts: (1) signal injection and (2) signal tracing. Signal substitution lets you inject "known good" signals supplied by the CM2000, into the circuits. The low impedance of the Drive Signal output "swamps out" the signal that is present at the injection point and places a known good signal in its place. You watch the CRT to decide whether you are injecting before or after the defective stage. If the output remains bad, your injection is before the defective stage. If the output returns to normal, you can be confident that all the circuits between the injection point and the output are good.

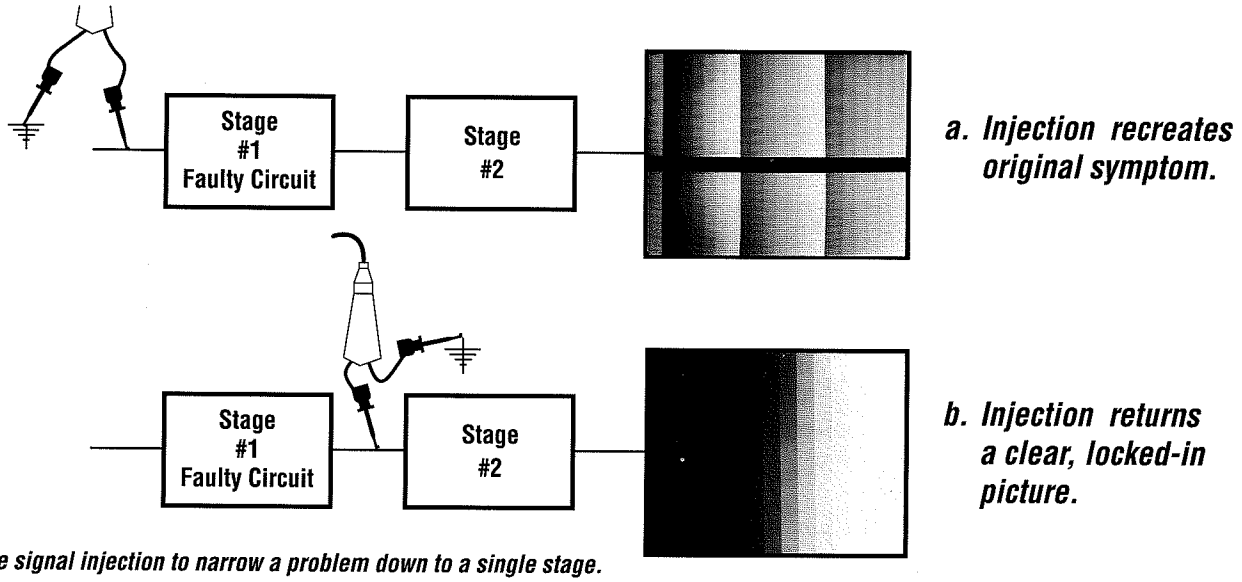


Fig. 38 Use signal injection to narrow a problem down to a single stage.

Once you narrow the problem to a single stage, use signal tracing to find the faulty component. As you signal trace, compare the voltage levels, frequencies and waveshapes to those in the service literature.

Observe the following guidelines when using signal injection:

1. Match the Drive Signal level to that shown in the Service Literature. Too much signal may cause a bad stage to operate and lead to confusing results.
2. If no level is shown, never exceed the B+ voltage of the stage.
3. Match the Drive Signal polarity to the signal in the circuit.

The APPLICATIONS section of this manual follows the "Universal Monitor Block Diagrams" and "Monitor Functional Analyzing Troubleshooting Guide". Use the Universal Block Diagram and the "Trouble Trees" to identify the blocks that could cause the problem. Then locate that block in the service literature and begin your functional analyzing.

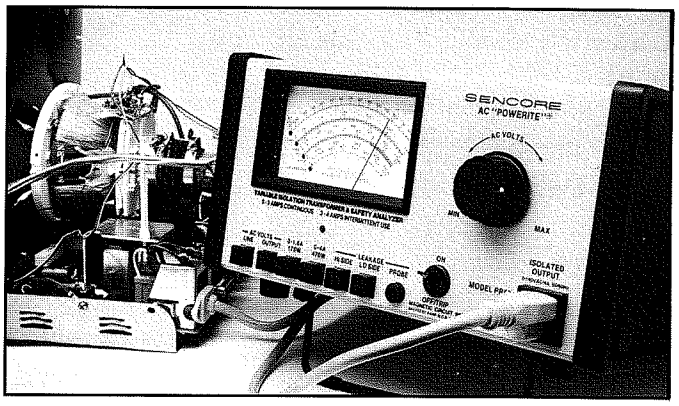


Fig. 39 Always use an isolation supply before making any connections to the computer monitor chassis.

WARNING

Always use an isolation transformer when servicing any monitor chassis. Many monitors use a full-wave "hot chassis." Failure to isolate the chassis produces a dangerous shock hazard and may result in damage to the monitor or your test equipment.

Do not isolate your test instruments as this may create unsafe conditions.

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USING THE PARAMETERS AND VIDEO FORMATS

The PARAMETERS and VIDEO FORMAT Buttons match the input signal requirements for all monitor types. Altering the Parameter and Format settings after the monitor is producing a display provides several important performance tests.

Troubleshooting Multiscan Monitors

Multiscan monitors lock to any applied horizontal and vertical sync frequency within a set range. A common problem in multiscan monitors is they will lock to a small frequency range, either horizontal or vertical, but are unable to lock over the entire range of input sync frequencies.

You can easily test and troubleshoot this problem with the CM2000. Simply enter the lowest vertical and horizontal sync frequencies, and the highest sync frequencies that the monitor should lock to. The monitor should produce a locked-in display at both frequency extremes. If the monitor locks to one but not to the other (either vertical or horizontal), troubleshoot either the automatic synchronizing circuits or the sweep circuits of the section that will not sync.

Example: Test if a CGA-VGA multiscan computer monitor can lock to both CGA and VGA video standards. The horizontal scanning frequency is 15.7 KHz for CGA and is 31.5 KHz for VGA.

1. Hook the CM2000 to the monitor using the CGA connector (connector #1)
2. Press [RECALL] [0] [ENTER]
3. Hook the CM2000 to the monitor using the VGA connector (connector #4)
3. Press [RECALL] [6] [ENTER]

What to expect: The computer monitor should have a locked-in display for both the CGA and VGA video standards. If the computer monitor syncs to one standard and not the other, you need to troubleshoot either the automatic synchronizing circuits or the horizontal or vertical sweep circuits (depending on which circuit has lost sync).

Testing Mode Select Circuits

The mode select circuit changes the horizontal and vertical drive current to produce a full-size raster for all operating modes. It detects the operating mode by sensing the polarity of the horizontal and vertical sync pulses. A faulty mode select circuit will cause the display to be too compressed or spread out.

Use the CM2000 to quickly determine if the computer monitor you are servicing automatically switches to each mode. Simply use the Memory function to recall the number of each operating mode and confirm that the monitor produces a full-height raster for each.

Example: Testing the mode select circuit on a VGA monitor.

1. Set the CM2000 to match the monitor type being serviced (see "Connecting To A Monitor" pages 10-19).
2. Press [RECALL] [5] [ENTER]
   (this is VGA mode 1).
3. Press [RECALL] [6] [ENTER]
   (this is VGA mode 2).
4. Press [RECALL] [7] [ENTER]
   (this is VGA mode 3).

What to expect: For each mode make sure the display is not distorted. If necessary, adjust the monitor's raster size and linearity controls. The computer monitor should produce a full display in each mode. If it does not, troubleshoot the mode select circuit or the vertical or horizontal driver stages.

Note: *You can test the modes for standards that are not stored in the CM2000's memory by entering the Parameters directly.*

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Troubleshooting Video Circuits

The video circuits include all the stages from the input connectors to the CRT. These stages amplify the applied signal to sufficient level to drive the CRT. All the video channels (R, G & B) of a color monitor must have the same frequency response and gain. The video stages in a monochrome monitor must be linear between black and white. Use the VIDEO PATTERNS to check for proper video circuit operation. The patterns are explained in the OPERATIONS section of this manual.

normal B&W picture. Color RGB monitors have separate video stages for each color channel. Therefore, when you inject the CM2000 "Video" DRIVE SIGNAL you will return only red, or green, or blue, depending upon which channel you inject into.

A second difference is that the RGB signals are identical on B&W patterns, but different on color patterns. The CM2000's "Video" Drive Signal matches the green video channel. If you select the "Color Bars" Video Pattern and inject the "Video" Drive Signal into the red channel, you will see red bars at the location on the screen where the green

PROBLEM	SYMPTOMS	CM 2000 VIDEO PATTERN USED TO TEST THIS
PURITY	SPLOTCHES OF COLOR IN WHITE OBJECTS	WHITE RASTER R, G, B TO "ON"
CONVERGENCE	STRAIGHT LINES SHOW COLOR SHADOWS	CIRCLE OR DOTS
COLOR	WRONG COLOR(S) OR MISSING COLOR(S)	COLOR BARS
GRAY SCALE TRACKING (ANALOG ONLY)	RED, GREEN OR BLUE TINT IN A GRAY SCALE DISPLAY	STAIRCASE
RESOLUTION	LOSS OF DETAIL, FUZZY GRAPHICS, LINES BLEEDING TOGETHER	MULTIBURST OR TEXT
HIGH VOLTAGE REGULATION	JUMPY DISPLAY, BLOOMING, VARIATIONS IN BRIGHTNESS	RASTER (SWITCH BETWEEN "+" & "-" VIDEO) OR WINDOWS

Table 2 The video patterns test the performance of the computer monitor.

Video circuit problems include a complete loss of video, missing colors, weak video and poor frequency response. Most video problems can be effectively isolated using signal substitution. Signal substitution lets you inject a "known good" video signal into the video circuits from the first preamplifier to the CRT drivers.

Injecting into the video stages of RGB color monitors is similar to injecting into the video luminance stages of a color television receiver. However, there are two important differences. First, the video luminance stages in a television receiver affect all three CRT guns simultaneously so signal injection restores a

bars should be (if the red channel works from your injection point forward). Likewise, injecting into the blue channel produces blue bars at the location of the green bars. Note that while the colors are displaced, injecting the Drive Signal returns the missing output to the CRT.

To simplify interpretation, use the "Raster" pattern for most video troubleshooting applications. Inject the "Video" Drive Signal. If the missing output color returns, you are injecting after the defective stage.

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Example: Injecting the VIDEO drive signal into the red, green and blue video output amplifiers.

1. Set the CM2000 to match the monitor type being serviced (see "Connecting To A Monitor" pages 10-19).
2. Connect the DIRECT TEST LEAD to the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack.
3. Set the VIDEO PATTERN Switch to "Raster."

Note: *If the "R, G, & B" VIDEO OUTPUT lines are activated, substituting for the missing output will produce a white raster. You may prefer to turn off the VIDEO OUTPUT lines so that the raster is blank until you inject the missing output.*

4. Set the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch to "Drive Signal."
5. Set the DRIVE SIGNAL Switch to "Video."
6. Select the DRIVE RANGE that is closest to the signal level in the circuit.
7. Connect the DIRECT TEST LEAD to test points (12), (22) or (32).
8. Adjust the DRIVE LEVEL Control to match the signal level found in the circuit.

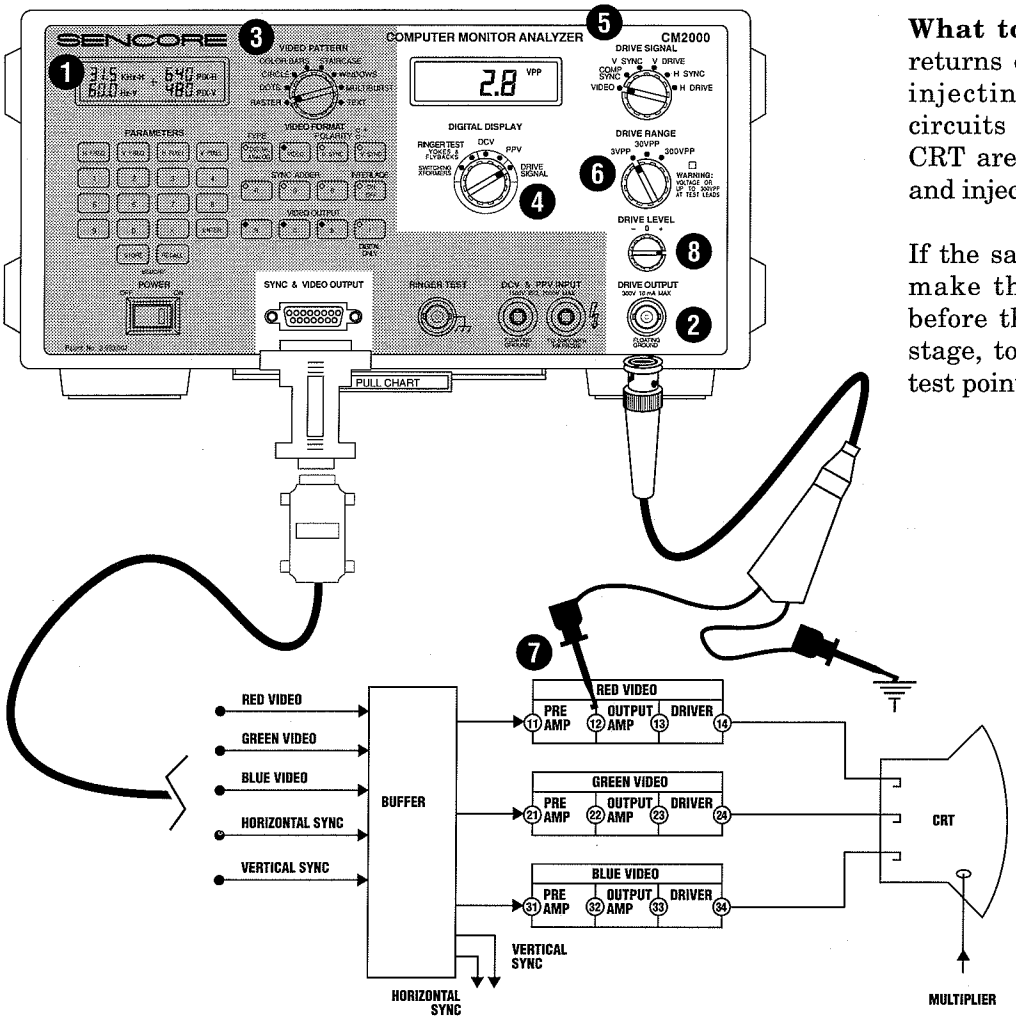


Fig. 40 Video circuit troubleshooting.

What to expect: If the missing color returns or the output improves, you are injecting after the problem and the circuits from the injection point to the CRT are working. Move back one stage and inject at test points (11), (21) or (31).

If the same problem is created after you make the injection, you are injecting before the problem. Move forward one stage, to the driver inputs and inject at test points (13), (23) and (33).

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TROUBLESHOOTING SYNC SEPARATOR PROBLEMS

Sync signals are fed to monitors by one of three methods: 1) separate V and H sync inputs; 2) V&H composite sync input; and 3) V&H composite sync on a video line (usually green). Monitors that receive a composite sync input have a Composite Sync Separator. Monitors that use "sync on video" have a Video/Sync Separator ahead of the Composite Sync Separator.

Sync separator problems cause a loss of either vertical or horizontal sync, or both. Some symptoms may lead you to suspect the problem is the horizontal or vertical circuits. Use the CM2000's "Comp Sync" Drive Signal to isolate sync problems in V&H or Video Sync Separator stages.

Example: Troubleshooting a sync separator problem on a "sync on video" computer monitor.

1. Set the CM2000 to match the monitor type being serviced (see "Connecting To A Monitor" pages 10-19).
2. Connect the DIRECT TEST LEAD to the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack.
3. Set the VIDEO PATTERN Switch to "Color Bars."
4. Set the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch to "Drive Signal."
5. Set the DRIVE SIGNAL Switch to "Comp Sync."
6. Select the DRIVE RANGE that is closest to the signal level in the circuit.
7. Connect the DIRECT TEST LEAD to test point (61).
8. Adjust the DRIVE LEVEL Control to match the signal level found in the circuit.

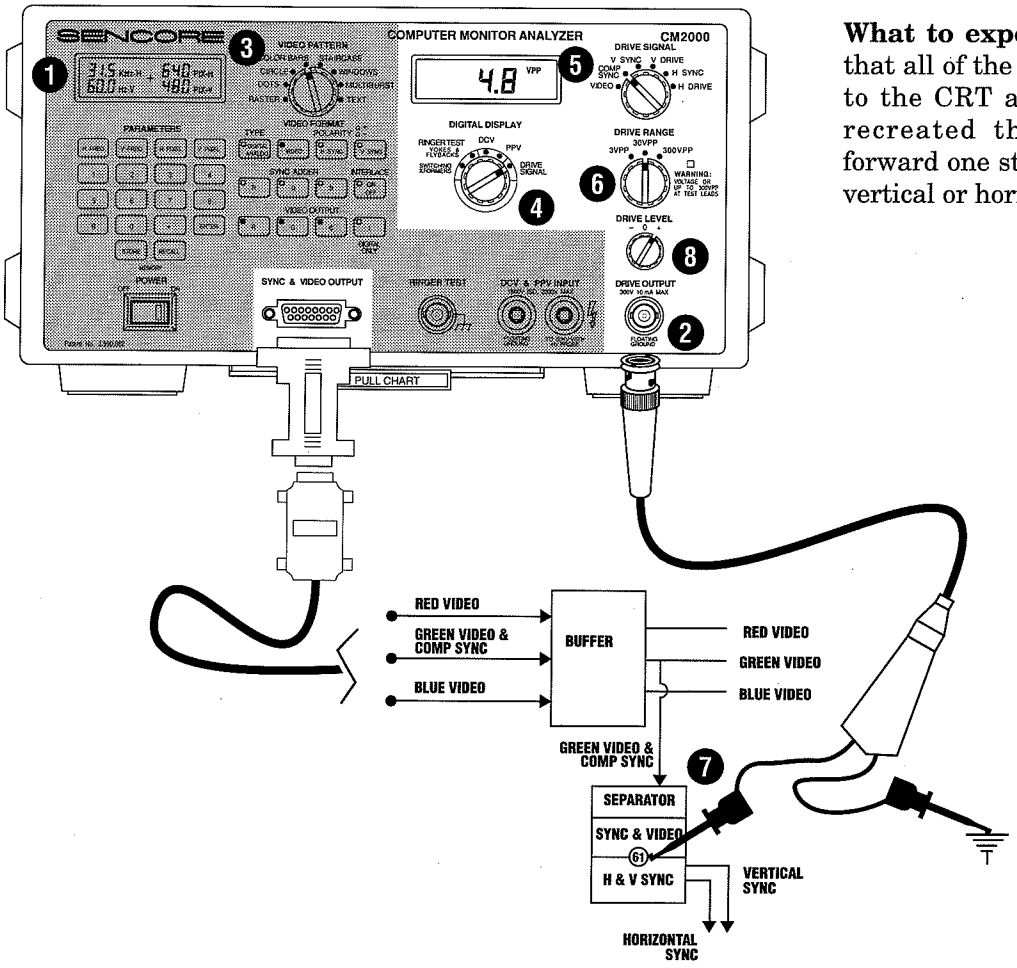


Fig. 41 Sync separator troubleshooting.

What to expect: A locked in display proves that all of the circuits from the injection point to the CRT are good. If the injection has recreated the original symptom, move forward one stage and troubleshoot either the vertical or horizontal sweep circuits.

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Troubleshooting Vertical Sync Problems

The vertical sync pulses control the timing of the vertical oscillator and sweep circuits. Sync pulses that are too low in amplitude, the wrong frequency, or are missing will cause the monitor to lose vertical hold.

Some monitors do not have a vertical oscillator. Instead, they depend entirely upon the incoming vertical sync signal to drive the deflection stages. These monitors will lose vertical deflection if the sync amplitude is too low or is missing, resulting in a single horizontal line on the screen.

Use the "V Sync" Drive Signal to inject a good signal at the input to the oscillator stage. This will determine whether the problem is in the vertical oscillator or sync line, or in the vertical sweep circuits.

Example: Troubleshooting a vertical sync problem.

Note: *If the monitor operates correctly when connected to the CM2000's SYNC & VIDEO OUTPUT Jack without injecting a Drive Signal, the signal supplied by the video adapter circuits in the computer are generating vertical sync pulses at the wrong frequency or amplitude.*

1. Set the CM2000 to match the monitor type being serviced (see "Connecting To A Monitor" page 10-19).
2. Connect the DIRECT TEST LEAD to the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack.
3. Set the VIDEO PATTERN Switch to "Color Bars."
4. Set the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch to "Drive Signal."
5. Set the DRIVE SIGNAL control to "V Sync."
6. Select the DRIVE RANGE that is closest to the signal level in the circuit.
7. Connect the DIRECT TEST LEAD to test point (40).
8. Adjust the DRIVE LEVEL Control to match

What to expect: If the monitor regains vertical hold and gives complete vertical deflection, the oscillator and the following stages work properly. Troubleshoot the vertical sync path. If the monitor displays the same symptoms with the vertical sync signal applied, the problem is in the oscillator, driver or output stages.

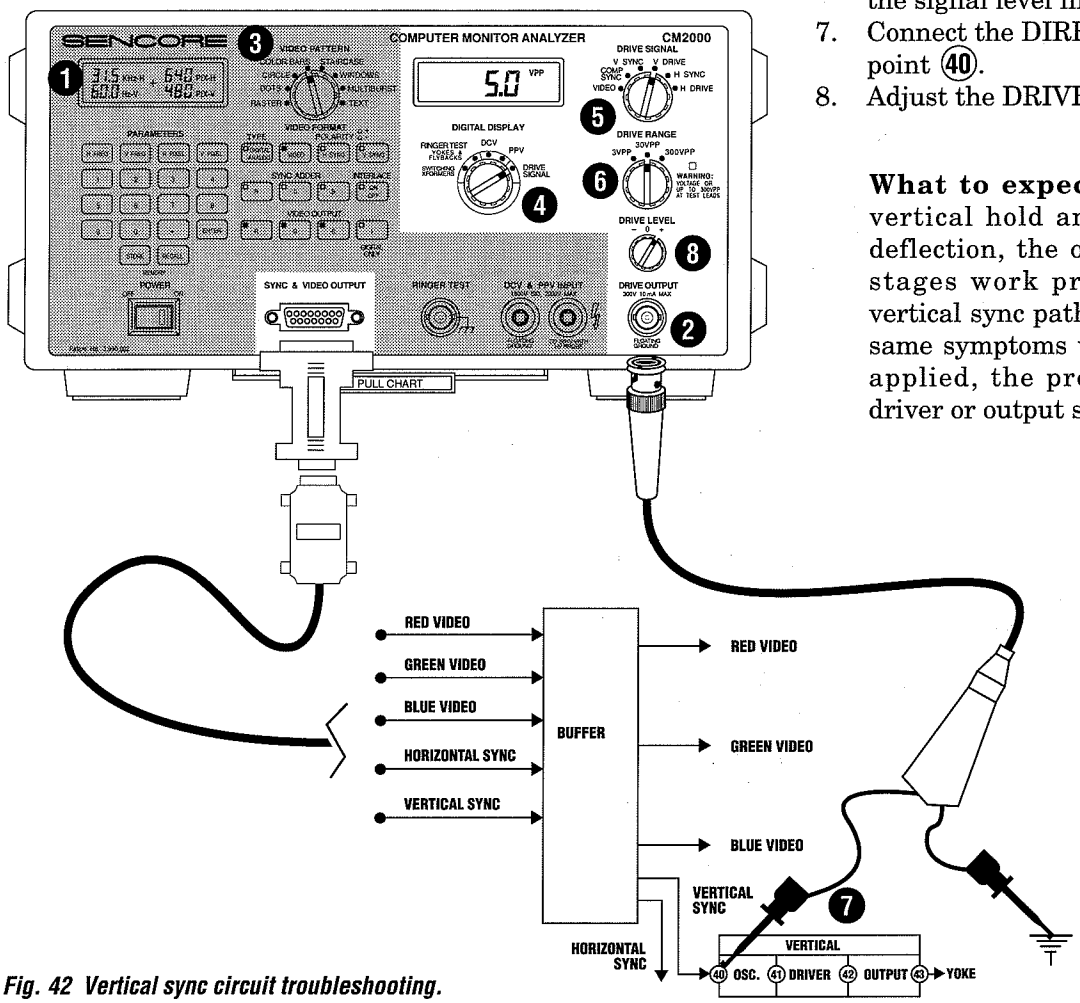


Fig. 42 Vertical sync circuit troubleshooting.

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Troubleshooting Vertical Drive Circuits

The vertical Driver and Output stages amplify the oscillator signal and provide the current drive needed for the vertical deflection yokes. A defective Driver, Output or yoke can cause loss of deflection, reduced height, or vertical non-linearity.

Use the CM2000's "V Drive" Drive Signal to isolate vertical drive circuit problems. Before you inject the Drive Signal, however, use the DVM Function to confirm the proper bias on the output components. The vertical stages are usually DC coupled to achieve good linearity. A wrong DC voltage affects all the components in the Oscillator, Driver and Output stages.

Injecting into the vertical stages won't always restore perfect vertical deflection. This is because most of the signals are uniquely shaped by feedback loops and waveshaping circuits. The Vertical Drive signal can't exactly match all the different waveshapes, but it will produce a change in deflection when injected into good stages. If driving the Driver or Output stage doesn't return sweep, either fully or partially, a component after your injection is bad.

Note: *The V DRIVE signal is not designed to drive the vertical yoke.*

Example: Troubleshooting a vertical deflection problem.

1. Set the CM2000 to match the monitor type being serviced (see "Connecting To A Monitor" page 10-19).
2. Connect the DIRECT TEST LEAD to the DRIVE OUTPUT Jack.
3. Set the VIDEO PATTERN Switch to "Color Bars."
4. Set the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch to "Drive Signal."
5. Set the DRIVE SIGNAL Switch to "V Drive."
6. Select the DRIVE RANGE that is closest to the signal level in the circuit.
7. Connect the DIRECT TEST LEAD to test point (41).
8. Adjust the DRIVE LEVEL Control to match the signal level found in the circuit.

What to expect: Look for the sweep to expand (remember it may not be linear). If the sweep expands, either partially or fully, the circuits from the injection point to the output are good. If the sweep doesn't expand, check the output transistors or ring the deflection yoke.

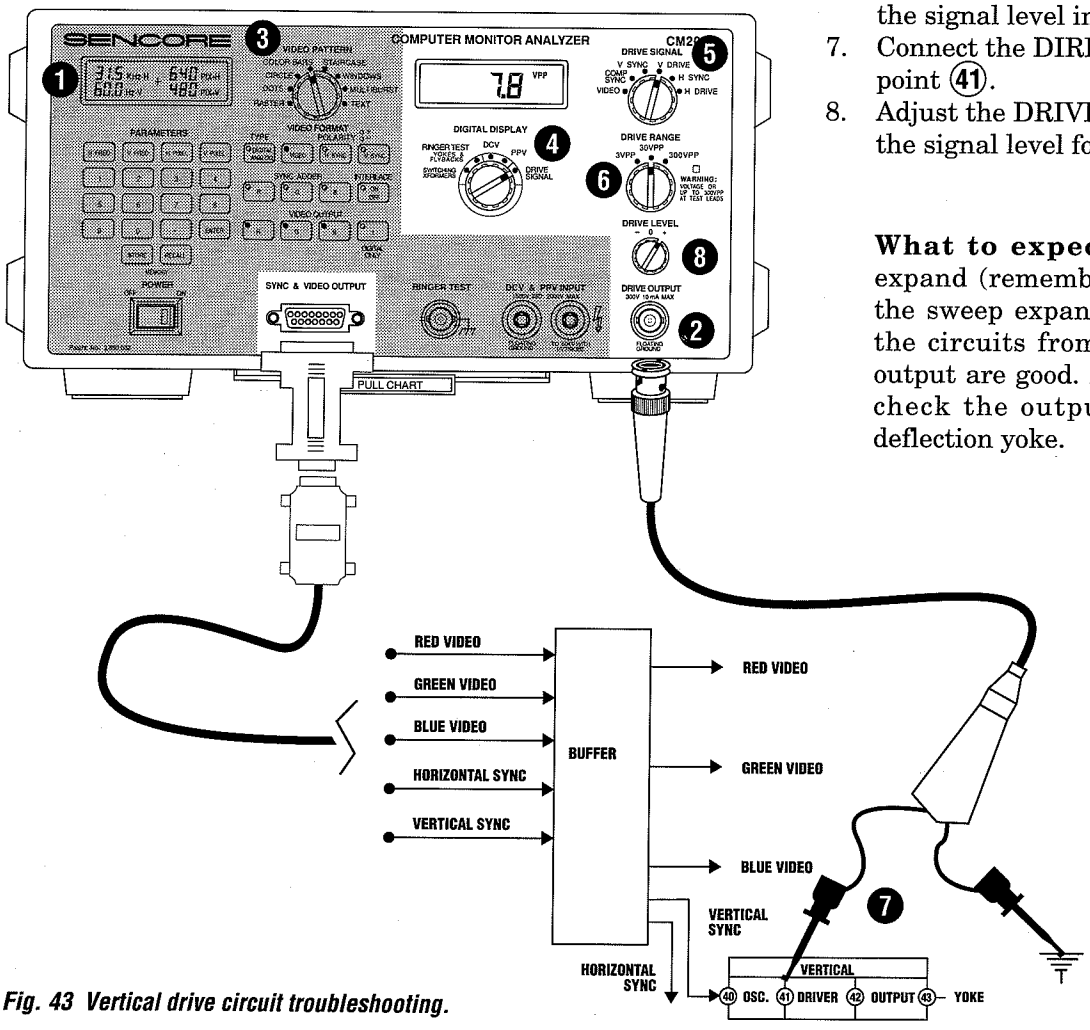


Fig. 43 Vertical drive circuit troubleshooting.

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Testing Deflection Yokes

The changing current through the windings of the deflection yoke produces a magnetic field that scans the electron beam across the face of the CRT. Yokes often develop shorted or open windings. An open or shorted winding may cause reduced vertical or horizontal raster size, or a complete loss of deflection.

The Ringer Test will find a defective yoke, even if it has a single shorted turn. A good coil will ring 10 or more times. Shorted or open coils will ring less than 10.

Follow these tips when testing yokes:

1. Deflection yokes have two sets of horizontal windings and two sets of vertical windings. Always test each winding individually because a short in one winding may not couple to the other.

2. Test the yoke while it is mounted on the CRT. Some failures are caused by the pressure of the mounting. Removing the yoke may relieve the pressure and clear the short.

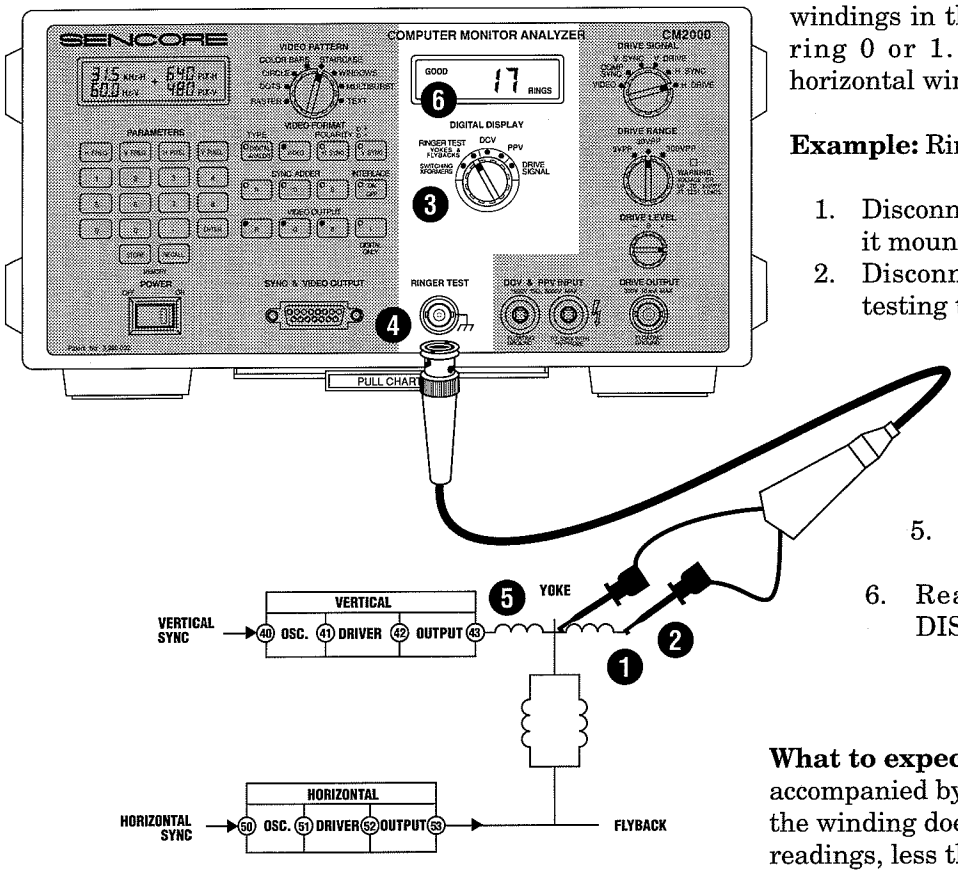


Fig. 44 Ringing a deflection yoke.

3. Always unhook the yoke from the circuit. Often this is done by simply disconnecting the yoke plug. At other times you may need to unsolder the wires between the output stages and the yoke.

4. The vertical windings are paralleled by damping resistors. If the resistors are mounted on the yoke (they may be hidden by the plastic terminal cover), they must be removed to test. Otherwise the windings will ring bad, even if they are good. The damping resistors may also be located on the chassis. If so, they are automatically unhooked when the yoke is disconnected.

5. The vertical windings are located on the sides of the yoke. The horizontal coils are located on the top and bottom of saddle-type yokes, and are the toroidal windings of toroid-type yokes.

6. Do not test the yoke on a metal surface. The metal may act like a shorted turn and cause the tests to show bad.

7. Some toroidal yokes have a metal band around their perimeter. The band makes the yoke ring as though it had a shorted vertical winding. Use 5 rings as the GOOD/BAD cutoff for the vertical windings in these yokes. Bad vertical windings will ring 0 or 1. Continue to use 10 rings for the horizontal windings.

Example: Ringing a deflection yoke.

1. Disconnect the yoke from the circuit, leaving it mounted on the CRT.
2. Disconnect the damping resistors if you are testing the vertical windings.
3. Set the DIGITAL DISPLAY Switch to RINGER TEST "Yokes & Flybacks."
4. Connect the DIRECT TEST LEADS to the RINGER TEST Jack.
5. Connect the DIRECT TEST LEADS to the yoke winding.
6. Read the test result in the DIGITAL DISPLAY Readout.

What to expect: Readings of 10 rings or more are accompanied by a "Good" display and indicate that the winding does not have a shorted turn. "Bad" readings, less than 10 rings, indicate a shorted turn.

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