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# OPERATION MANUAL

## RADAR TEST SET

### RD-301A

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**AC OR DC TERMINAL:** Terminal that may supply or be supplied with ac or dc voltage.



**DC TERMINAL:** Terminal that may supply or be supplied with dc voltage.



**AC TERMINAL:** Terminal that may supply or be supplied with ac or alternating voltage.



**SWITCH OFF:** AC line power to the device is OFF.



**SWITCH ON:** AC line power to the device is ON.

### EQUIPMENT GROUNDING PRECAUTION

Improper grounding of equipment can result in electrical shock.

### USE OF PROBES

Check the specifications for the maximum voltage, current and power ratings of any connector on the Test Set before connecting it with a probe from a terminal device. Be sure the terminal device performs within these specifications before using it for measurement, to prevent electrical shock or damage to the equipment.

### POWER CORDS

Avoid using power cords which are frayed, broken or expose bare wiring when operating this equipment.

### USE RECOMMENDED FUSES ONLY

Use only fuses specifically recommended for the equipment at the specified current and voltage ratings.

**CAUTION: SIGNAL GENERATORS CAN BE A SOURCE OF ELECTROMAGNETIC INTERFERENCE (EMI) TO COMMUNICATION RECEIVERS. SOME TRANSMITTED SIGNALS CAN CAUSE DISRUPTION AND INTERFERENCE TO COMMUNICATION SERVICES OUT TO A DISTANCE OF SEVERAL MILES. USERS OF THIS EQUIPMENT SHOULD SCRUTINIZE ANY OPERATION THAT RESULTS IN RADIATION OF A SIGNAL (DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY) AND SHOULD TAKE NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS TO AVOID POTENTIAL COMMUNICATION INTERFERENCE PROBLEMS.**



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## INTRODUCTION

This manual contains the information necessary to install, operate and evaluate the RD-301A Test Set.

It is strongly recommended that personnel be thoroughly familiar with the contents of this manual before attempting to operate this equipment.

In this manual, the RD-301A Radar Test Set is also referred to as Test Set, RD-301A or RD-301A Test Set.

### ORGANIZATION

This manual is divided into the following Chapters and Sections:

#### CHAPTER 1 - OPERATION

- Section 1 - DESCRIPTION (description of the RD-301A)
- Section 2 - OPERATION (installation; controls, connectors and indicators; performance evaluation; and general operating procedures)
- Section 3 - SPECIFICATIONS
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## SECTION 1 - DESCRIPTION

### 1. GENERAL DESCRIPTION AND CAPABILITIES

#### 1.1 GENERAL

The RD-301A Radar Test Set is a precision simulator designed for testing aircraft weather radar and narrow pulse marine radar systems. The solid-state, fully integrated Test Set provides the means of completely testing routine radar functions. The RD-301A also satisfies simulation requirements for new generation non-coherent radar systems. All RF tests and measurements are accomplished by connecting the RD-301A to the Unit Under Test (UUT) with the use of the supplied Serialized Coaxial Cable, Waveguide Coupler and Waveguide Termination (Dummy Load). An optional 10 dB Attenuator is included (when ordered) for radars with output power levels between 12 and 120 kW.

#### 1.2 FUNCTIONAL CAPABILITIES

The RD-301A incorporates the following features and capabilities:

- Automatically acquires, tracks and provides a digital readout of the radar transmitter frequency.
- Provides internal amplitude modulation or accepts external amplitude modulation for simulating target scintillation for turbulence detection radars.
- Responds to radar transmitter pulse widths of 50 ns to 30  $\mu$ s over a frequency from 9295 to 9500 MHz.
- Measures radar transmitter peak pulse power.
- Displays Effective (EFF) Peak Power, quantitatively showing the effects of phase modulation and frequency pulling in the magnetron.
- Provides for accurate Automatic Frequency Control (AFC) centering alignment on the radar receiver (replacing the requirement for an "echo box").
- Tests radar UUT sensitivity to determine Minimum Discernable Signal (MDS).
- Provides an additional 0 to 20 dB amplitude boost above selected output level for checking radar contour threshold circuits, receiver color and intensity response.
- Provides IF sweep generator from 20 to 70 MHz and marker generator for IF and AFC testing.

The RD-301A provides various forms of the UUT transmitter signal for comprehensive radar maintenance and testing. Signals are at the following connectors:

- ANALYZER RF X-BAND XMTR Connector for viewing the radar signal on a spectrum analyzer.
- XMTR DET Connector for viewing radar transmitter pulse shape on oscilloscope.
- XMTR DSCRM .1V/MHz Connector for viewing radar pulse spectral characteristics on an oscilloscope. Pulse frequency changes are shown as amplitude shifts on the oscilloscope.
- XMTR HET MON Connector for oscilloscope display of frequency and duration of modes, identifying location and magnitude of phase pulling within the magnetron pulse.



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## SECTION 2 - OPERATION

### 1. INSTALLATION

#### 1.1 CONTROLS, CONNECTORS AND INDICATORS

RD-301A controls, connectors and indicators are specified with item numbers. The location according to item number of each control, connector and indicator is shown in 1-2-2, Figure 1.

#### 1.2 SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Listed are several important safety precautions which must be observed during installation and operation. Aeroflex assumes no liability for failure to comply with any safety precaution outlined in this manual.

##### 1.2.1 Complying with Instructions

Operating personnel should not attempt to install or operate the RD-301A without reading and complying with all instructions contained in this manual. All procedures must be performed in exact sequence and manner described.

##### 1.2.1 Grounding Equipment and Power Cord

**WARNING: ALL EQUIPMENT CHASSIS CABINETS MUST BE CONNECTED TO AN ELECTRICAL GROUND TO MINIMIZE SHOCK HAZARD.**

**WARNING: DUE TO POTENTIAL SAFETY HAZARDS, USE OF THREE-PRONG TO TWO-PRONG ADAPTOR PLUG IS NOT RECOMMENDED.**

The ac power cable included with the Test Set is equipped with a standard three-prong power cable which must be connected to a properly grounded three-prong receptacle. It is the customer's responsibility to:

- Have a qualified electrician check wall receptacle(s) for proper grounding.
- Replace any standard two-prong wall receptacle(s) with properly grounded three-prong receptacle(s).

##### 1.2.3 Operating Safety

Due to presence of potentially lethal voltages within the RD-301A, operating personnel must not remove top or bottom covers at any time.

##### 1.2.4 CAUTION and WARNING Labels

Extreme care should be exercised when performing operations preceded by a CAUTION or WARNING Label. CAUTION labels appear where possibility of damage to equipment exists. WARNING labels denote conditions where bodily injury or death may result.



### 1.3 POWER REQUIREMENTS

The RD-301A Radar Test Set requires continuous ac power to operate. The internal power supply operates over a voltage range of 103 to 253 VAC. No internal wiring or switching changes are required prior to applying ac power to the RD-301A. Instantaneous surge current on power-up is <50 A. Input current varies to maintain constant power over the input voltage range ( $\leq 150$  W).

For proper circuit protection, the RD-301A requires a FUSE (51) with correct fuse rating. Recommended fuse ratings according to input voltage are listed in 1-2-1, Table 1.

### 1.5 RACK-MOUNT INSTALLATION

The RD-301A is installed in bench-top or rack-mount fashion. All Aeroflex test sets are shipped from the factory with plastic feet installed for bench-top installation. Conversion from bench-top to rack-mount installation requires a Rack-Mount Kit (7001-7636-800). One kit per unit is required for installation. Kits are ordered from the factory.

INPUT VOLTAGE	FUSE RATING	AEROFLEX PART NO
103 to 132 VAC	2.0 A, 250 V Fast Blo	5106-0000-017
132 to 253 VAC	1.0 A, 250 V Fast Blo	5106-4501-000

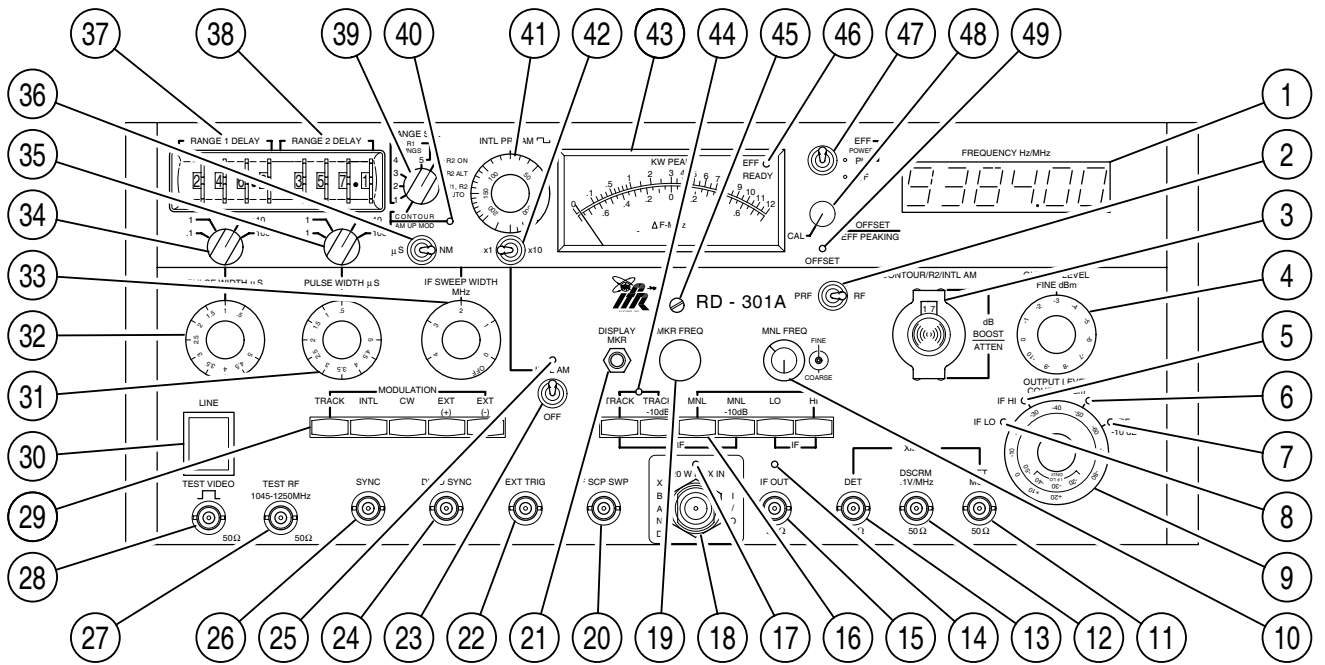
Recommended Fuse Ratings  
Table 1

### 1.4 POWER-UP PROCEDURE

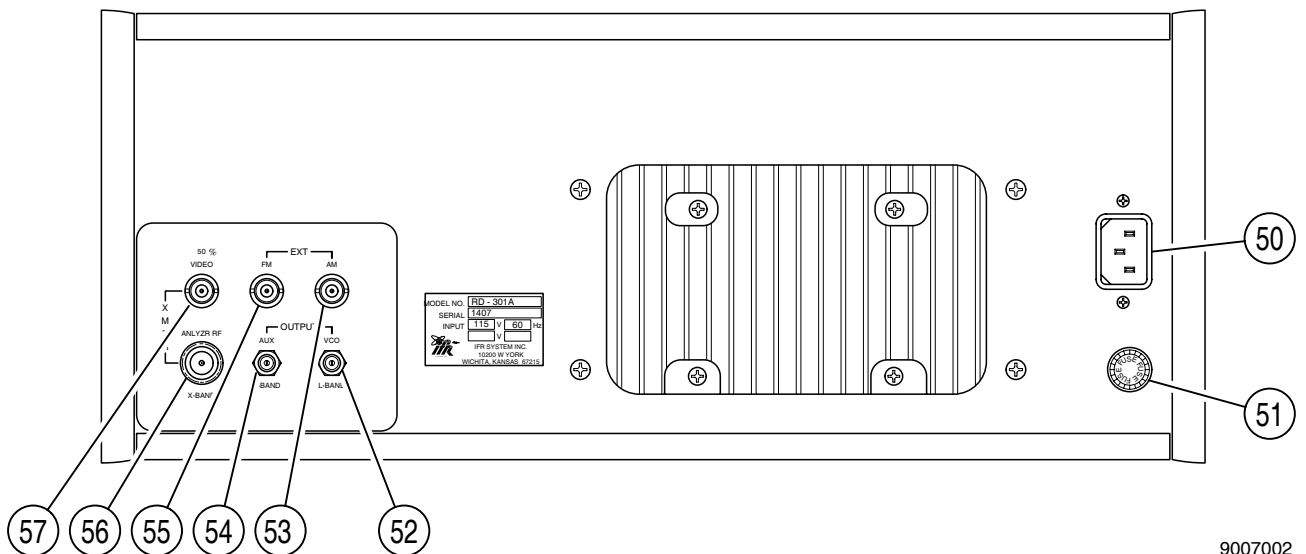
**CAUTION:** AVOID RESTRICTION OF AIR FLOW THROUGH VENT HOLES IN SIDE PANELS AND ACROSS POWER SUPPLY HEAT SINK ON REAR PANEL WHEN INSTALLING RD-301A.

STEP	PROCEDURE
1.	Set RD-301A into operating position.
2.	Connect ac power cable from AC INPUT Connector (50) to power source.
3.	Press LINE Switch (30) <b>ON</b> and verify Frequency Hz/MHz Digital Display (1) illuminates.

## 2. CONTROLS, CONNECTORS AND INDICATORS



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RD-301A Front and Rear Panels  
Figure 1

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RD-301A Front and Rear Panels  
Figure 1 (cont)

## 2.1 RD-301A FRONT PANEL

FREQUENCY TYPE	MODE	DISPLAY
PRF	RF TRACK/RF TRACK -10 dB	UUT Transmitter PRF
PRF	INTL	RD-301A Internal Oscillator PRF (Internal AM frequency if On)
PRF	EXT (+), EXT (-)	External Trigger Signal PRF
RF	IF LO/IF HI	IF Signal Generator Frequency
RF	IF LO/IF HI DISPLAY MKR Switch (21) pressed	IF Marker Frequency
RF	RF TRACK/RF TRACK -10 dB	RF Signal Generator/UUT Transmitter Frequency
RF	RF MNL/RF MNL -10 dB	RF Signal Generator Frequency

FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display Control  
Table 2

### 1. FREQUENCY HZ/MHZ DIGITAL DISPLAY

Displays PRF (Hz), IF (MHz) or RF (MHz) as selected with PRF/RF Switch and RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. Marker frequency (MHz) is displayed when DISPLAY MKR Switch is pressed. Refer to 1-2-2, Table 2.

### 2. PRF/RF SWITCH

Toggle switch selects type of frequency shown on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display. Refer to 1-2-2, Table 2.

### 3. CONTOUR/R2/INTL AM DB BOOST/ATTEN CONTROL

Boosts or attenuates output level set with OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control. Inner knob controls level in 1 dB steps (0-9). Outer knob controls level in 10 dB steps (0-50). Selection appears in small viewing window at top center of control.

Boost is activated when RANGE SEL Switch is in CONTOUR/AM MOD UP position and applies to output levels from -127 to -75 dBm.

CONTOUR/R2/INTL AM dB BOOST/ATTEN Control boosts contour or internal AM level from 0 to 20 dB above selected output level.

**NOTE:** Selecting >20 dB boost produces minimal or no additional level increase >20 dB.

Attenuation is activated when RANGE SEL Switch is in any R2 position (R2 ON; R2 ALT or R1, R2 AUTO) or RINGS 1 through 5 with internal AM activated. Range 2 reply or internal AM is attenuated from 0 to -59 dB referenced to Range 1 reply level set with OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control.

### 4. OUTPUT LEVEL FINE DBM CONTROL

Decreases RF or IF output level in 1 dB steps referenced to level set with OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control. Range is from 0 to -10 dB.

### 5. IF HI INDICATOR

Green LED illuminates when IF HI is selected with RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. Green indicates color of scale used on OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control.

**6. RF INDICATOR**

Red LED illuminates when RF TRACK or RF MNL is selected with RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. Red indicates color of scale used on OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control.

**7. RF -10 DB INDICATOR**

Red LED illuminates when RF TRACK -10 dB or RF MNL -10 dB is selected with RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. Red indicates color of scale used on OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control.

**8. IF LO INDICATOR**

Red LED illuminates when IF LO is selected with RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. Red indicates color of scale used on OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control.

**9. OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE DBM CONTROL**

Varies RF or IF output level in 10 dB increments. Red and green scales on control knob are used according to mode selected with RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. Each mode is indicated with an index mark and red or green LED. RF output level is calibrated to -127 dBm using the red scale.

**10. MNL FREQ CONTROLS**

Sets signal generator frequency for RF MNL, RF MNL -10 dB, IF LO or IF HI mode selected with RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. Coarse adjust (outer knob) and fine adjust (inner knob) set frequency shown on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.

**11. XMTR HET MON CONNECTOR (J49028)**

Provides output for displaying radar transmitter pulse frequency characteristics on external oscilloscope. BNC connector requires 50  $\Omega$  load for operation.

**12. XMTR DSCRM .1V/MHZ CONNECTOR (J49027)**

Provides output for displaying radar transmitter frequency versus time characteristics on external oscilloscope. BNC connector requires 50  $\Omega$  load for an output calibrated at 0.1 V/MHz. System reference pulse, 5  $\mu$ s wide, occurs approximately 15  $\mu$ s after transmitter pulse. Reference voltage corresponds to frequency shown on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.

**13. XMTR DET CONNECTOR (J49026)**

Provides output for displaying radar transmitter pulse shape characteristics on external oscilloscope. BNC connector requires 50  $\Omega$  load to preserve pulse fidelity.

**14. IF OUT INDICATOR**

Red LED illuminates when IF LO or IF HI is selected with RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches and indicates IF output is available at IF OUT Connector.

**15. IF OUT CONNECTOR (J49025)**

Provides IF signal generator output. Signal level is set with OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control. BNC connector requires 50  $\Omega$  load for operation.

**16. RF/IF MODE PUSHBUTTON SWITCHES**

Selects one of the following RF or IF operating modes:

- RF TRACK
- RF signal generator acquires and tracks frequency of UUT transmitter signal received through X-BAND I/O Connector. RF Indicator and X-BAND SIGNAL Indicator illuminate when RF TRACK mode is selected.
- RF TRACK -10 dB

- Used with external 10 dB coaxial attenuator inserted at Waveguide Coupler to provide for UUT transmitters with >12 kW (up to 120 kW) peak power out-put. RF signal generator acquires and tracks frequency of UUT transmitter signal received through X-BAND I/O Connector. RF -10 dB Indicator and X-BAND SIGNAL Indicator illuminate when RF TRACK -10 dB mode is selected.

**NOTE:** Transmitting replies from the RD-301A while the UUT transmitter is operating during TRACK operations may cause tracking inaccuracies at high generator levels (>-75 dBm). To avoid possible tracking error, the range delay is set greater than the UUT transmitter pulse width.

- **RF MNL**  
RF signal generator frequency is set from 9.295 to 9.500 GHz with MNL FREQ Controls. Output is calibrated at R/T unit with Serialized Coaxial Cable and Waveguide Coupler. RF Indicator and X-BAND SIGNAL Indicator illuminate when RF MNL mode is selected.
- **RF MNL -10 dB**  
Used with external 10 dB Attenuator inserted at Waveguide Coupler to provide for UUT transmitters with >12 kW (up to 120 kW) peak power output. RF signal generator frequency is set from 9.295 to 9.500 GHz with MNL FREQ Controls. X-BAND SIGNAL Indicator and RF -10 dB Indicator illuminate when RF MNL -10 dB mode is selected.
- **IF LO**  
Activates IF signal generator in low power range from -132 to -20 dBm as selected with OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control. MNL FREQ Controls vary IF frequency from 20 to 70 MHz. IF LO Indicator and IF OUT Indicator illuminate when IF LO mode is selected.

- **IF HI**  
Activates IF signal generator in high power range from -92 to +20 dBm as selected with OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control. MNL FREQ Controls vary IF frequency from 20 to 70 MHz. IF HI Indicator and IF OUT Indicator illuminate when IF HI mode is selected.

#### 17. X-BAND SIGNAL INDICATOR

Red LED illuminates when RF TRACK, RF TRACK -10 dB, RF MNL or RF MNL -10 dB is selected with RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches and indicates RF output is available at the X-BAND I/O Connector.

#### 18. X-BAND I/O CONNECTOR (J49016)

N connector couples RD-301A to UUT through antenna waveguide. Output is calibrated at R/T unit using Serialized Coaxial Cable and Waveguide Coupler furnished with Test Set. Output level is set using the OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control, OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and (if applicable) CONTOUR/R2/INTL AM dB BOOST/ATTEN Control.

**CAUTION:** MAXIMUM INPUT LEVEL CANNOT EXCEED 120 W.

#### 19. MKR FREQ CONTROL

Adjusts IF marker frequency when DISPLAY MKR Switch is pressed.

#### 20. IF SCP SWP CONNECTOR (J49012)

BNC connector provides an approximate 5 VP-P, 100 Hz ramp output for horizontal drive to external oscilloscope during IF sweep tests.

#### 21. DISPLAY MKR SWITCH

Momentary contact switch adds marker signal (approximately -20 dBc) to IF output, when pressed. Marker frequency is set with MKR FREQ Control and shown on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.

#### 22. EXT TRIG CONNECTOR (J49024)

BNC connector used to apply external trigger when EXT (+) or EXT (-) is selected with MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches. Trigger input requires 2 to 25 V peak pulse or sine wave to initiate range delay.

### 23. INTL AM SWITCH

INTL AM (On)/OFF toggle switch adds 50% AM (square wave) to reply pulse out-put. Frequency is set with INTL PRF/AM Control and X1/X10 INTL PRF/AM Switch. Amplitude is set with CONTOUR/R2/INTL AM BOOST/ATTEN Control and is relative to output level set with OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control.

### 24. DLYD SYNC CONNECTOR (J49023)

BNC connector provides delayed synchronous pulse output to external oscilloscope. Leading edge of positive pulse is coincident with leading edge of reply pulse.

### 25. INTL AM INDICATOR

Red LED illuminates when internal AM is activated with INTL AM Switch.

### 26. SYNC CONNECTOR (J49022)

BNC connector provides synchronous pulse output to external oscilloscope. Leading edge of positive pulse is coincident with start of each range delay.

### 27. TEST RF 1045-1250 MHZ CONNECTOR (J49021)

BNC connector, providing 50  $\Omega$  load, receives L-Band test signals for calibration and verification of tracking circuits.

### 28. TEST VIDEO CONNECTOR (J49020)

BNC connector, providing 50  $\Omega$  load, receives external pulse signals and is used with TEST RF 1045-1250 MHz Connector for calibration and verification.

### 29. MODULATION MODE PUSHBUTTON SWITCHES

Selects range delay trigger source or enables continuous wave output. Selectable modes are as follows:

- TRACK

Starts range delay coincident with leading edge of UUT transmitter pulse at 50% amplitude point.

- INTL

Starts range delay with every leading edge of pulses generated by internal PRF oscillator. Triggering rate is set with INTL PRF/AM Control.

- CW

Selects continuous wave RF output at X-BAND I/O Connector or continuous wave IF output at IF OUT Connector according to RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches.

- EXT (+)

Starts range delay when triggered with rising edge of a 2 to 25 V peak pulse or positive half of sine wave input applied to EXT TRIG Connector.

- EXT (-)

Starts range delay when triggered with falling edge of a 2 to 25 V peak pulse or negative half of sine wave input applied to EXT TRIG Connector.

### 30. LINE SWITCH

Applies power to RD-301A.

### 31. PULSE WIDTH $\mu$ S CONTROL (RANGE 2)

Adjusts Range 2 reply pulse width from 0.05 to 500  $\mu$ s, depending on PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 2) setting. PULSE WIDTH  $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 2) setting is variable from 0.5 to 5  $\mu$ s and is multiplied by the PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 2) setting to obtain the Range 2 reply pulse width.

### 32. PULSE WIDTH $\mu$ S CONTROL (RANGE 1)

Adjusts pulse width from 0.05  $\mu$ s to 2.5 ms, depending on PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 1) setting. PULSE WIDTH  $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 1) setting is variable from 0.5 to 5  $\mu$ s and is multiplied by the PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 1) setting to obtain the pulse width. Range 1 reply width is set in RF operating modes or IF pulse width is set in IF operating modes according to RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches.

### 33. SWEEP WIDTH MHZ CONTROL

Sets sweep width (in MHz) of IF signal generator output. Sweep width is set from 0 to 4 MHz. Sweep rate is 100 Hz. Control has detent OFF position.

### 34. PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER CONTROL (RANGE 1)

Selects multiplier (.1, 1, 10, 100 or 500) used with PULSE WIDTH  $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 1) setting. The PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 1) setting multiplied by the PULSE WIDTH  $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 1) setting obtains Range 1 reply or IF pulse width.

### 35. PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER CONTROL (RANGE 2)

Selects multiplier (.1, 1, 10 or 100) used with PULSE WIDTH  $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 2) setting. The PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 2) setting multiplied by the PULSE WIDTH  $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 2) setting obtains Range 2 reply pulse width.

### 36. $\mu$ S /NM SWITCH

Selects unit of measurement (microseconds [ $\mu$ S] or nautical miles [NM]) for both Range 1 and Range 2 simulated reply delays.

### 37. RANGE 1 DELAY THUMBWHEELS

Sets delay for Range 1 simulated reply. Delay is set from 0.1 to 999.9 in microseconds or nautical miles depending on position of  $\mu$ S/NM Switch. A residual time delay (nominally 0.1  $\mu$ s) is added to the delay set by RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels. The source selected by the MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches triggers the delay.

### 38. RANGE 2 DELAY THUMBWHEELS

Sets delay for Range 2 simulated reply. Delay is set from 0.2 to 999.9 in microseconds or nautical miles depending on position of  $\mu$ S/NM Switch. A residual time delay (nominally 0.4  $\mu$ s) is added to the delay set by RANGE 2 DELAY Thumbwheels. The source selected by the MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches triggers the delay.

### 39. RANGE SEL SWITCH

Provides simulated reply variations. Nine position rotary switch selects boost, selects number of Range 1 reply rings (1-5) or activates Range 2 reply.

- CONTOUR/AM UP MOD

Provides selectable 0 to 20 dB boost above level set with OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control. Boost is set using CONTOUR/R2/INTL AM dB BOOST/ATTEN Control and only applies when initial output levels are from -75 to -127 dBm. Range 1 reply is boosted when INTL AM Switch is OFF. Internal AM is boosted when INTL AM Switch is set to INTL AM.

- RINGS 1 through 5

Selects number of equally spaced simulated Range 1 replies transmitted by the RD-301A. RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels set Ring 1 delay and distance between all succeeding rings (equidistant). Minimum range for Rings 2 through 5 is 0.3  $\mu$ s or 0.3 nmi.

- R2 ON

Activates Range 2 reply in addition to Range 1 reply. Range 1 output level is set with OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control. Range 2 output level is attenuated from Range 1 output level with CONTOUR/R2/INTL AM dB BOOST/ATTEN Control. Range 2 delay is set with RANGE 2 DELAY Thumbwheels.

- R2 ALT

Activates Range 1 reply with every trigger as selected with MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches and Range 2 reply every other trigger. Range 2 output level is attenuated from Range 1 output level with CONTOUR/R2/INTL AM dB BOOST/ATTEN Control.

● **R1/R2 AUTO**

Automatically selects Range 1 or Range 2 reply depending on width of UUT transmitter pulse. Only Range 1 reply responds when UUT transmitter pulse width is  $<0.4 \mu\text{s}$ . Only Range 2 reply responds when UUT transmitter pulse width is  $>0.4 \mu\text{s}$ .

**NOTE:** If Range 1 delay set by RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels is  $<0.4 \mu\text{s}$ , Range 1 reply always responds. If Range 2 delay set by RANGE 2 DELAY Thumbwheels is  $<0.4 \mu\text{s}$ , Range 2 reply never responds.

**NOTE:** The factory calibrated threshold setting is  $0.4 \mu\text{s}$ . The threshold setting is adjustable from 0.2 to  $1.0 \mu\text{s}$ . Refer to the RD-301A Maintenance Manual for adjustment procedures.

**40. CONTOUR/AM UP MOD INDICATOR**

Red LED illuminates when CONTOUR/AM UP position is selected with RANGE SEL Switch.

**41. INTL PRF/AM CONTROL**

Used with X1/X10 INTL PRF/AM Switch to regulate the RD-301A internal oscillator frequency (Internal PRF and/or AM frequency). INTL PRF/AM Control sets internal AM frequency when INTL AM Switch is set to INTL AM. INTL PRF/AM Control sets internal PRF when INTL is selected with MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches. INTL PRF/AM Control sets both internal PRF and AM frequency when INTL AM Switch is set to INTL AM and INTL is selected with MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches. Frequency is adjustable from 50 to 500 Hz or 500 to 5000 Hz, depending on X1/X10 INTL PRF/AM Switch position.

**42. X1/X10 INTL PRF/AM SWITCH**

Selects multiplier (X1 or X10) used with INTL PRF/AM Control setting. The INTL PRF/AM Control setting multiplied by 1 or 10 as selected with the X1/X10 INTL PRF/AM Switch provides the RD-301A internal oscillator frequency.

**43. PANEL METER**

Indicates effective peak power of UUT transmitter, peak power of UUT transmitter or frequency offset between UUT transmitter and RD-301A Test Set signal generator. PANEL Meter operates when RF TRACK or RF TRACK -10 dB is selected with RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. Function is selected by METER SELECT Switch.

● **KW PEAK Scale**

Indicates effective peak or peak RF power of UUT transmitter at X-BAND I/O Connector using a 0.1 to 12 kW range. KW PEAK Scale is used when METER SELECT Switch is set to EFF POWER or PK POWER positions. For units above 12 kW (up to 120 kW), an external 10 dB Attenuator is connected to the Waveguide Coupler output (UUT power is scale reading multiplied by ten). Power is calibrated and accuracy specified from 1.0 to 12 kW.

**NOTE:** Correct calibration depends on the use of the Waveguide Coupler and Serialized Coaxial Cable furnished with RD-301A Test Set. If a replacement coupler or cable is used, the Test Set must be recalibrated.

●  **$\Delta$ F-MHz Scale**

Displays amount of offset between UUT transmitter frequency and Test Set signal generator frequency. Offset is adjusted with  $\Delta$ F OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control. The  $\Delta$ F-MHz Scale is used when METER SELECT Switch is set to  $\Delta$ F position.

**44. TRACK INDICATOR**

Red LED illuminates when Test Set RF signal generator system has acquired and is tracking UUT transmitter frequency.

**45. PANEL METER ZERO CONTROL**

Inset screw used to align PANEL Meter needle to zero when LINE Switch is OFF.

**46. EFF READY INDICATOR**

Green LED illuminates when Test Set is ready to measure UUT effective peak power.

#### 47. METER SELECT SWITCH

Toggle switch selects PANEL Meter operating mode as follows:

- EFF (Effective) (Peak) POWER  
PANEL Meter displays in kW, the UUT effective peak power resulting from effects of phase distortion and frequency inconsistencies of the UUT transmitter pulse.
- PK (Peak) POWER  
PANEL Meter displays UUT peak power in kilowatts.
- $\Delta F$  (Frequency Offset)  
PANEL Meter displays frequency offset from UUT frequency  $\leq \pm 75$  kHz as adjusted by  $\Delta F$  OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control.

#### 48. $\Delta F$ OFFSET/EFF PEAKING CONTROL

Offsets RD-301A internal RF signal generator frequency from UUT transmitter frequency from 0 to  $\pm 0.75$  MHz and is used when RF TRACK or RF TRACK -10 dB is selected with RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. CAL (detent) position provides zero offset (RF signal generator frequency = UUT transmitter frequency). Offset is displayed using  $\Delta F$  Scale on PANEL METER when METER SELECT Switch is in  $\Delta F$  position.

#### 49. OFFSET INDICATOR

Red LED illuminates when  $\Delta F$  OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control is not in CAL (detent) position and RF TRACK or RF TRACK -10 dB is selected with RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. LED indicates RD-301A is tracking magnetron frequency with offset determined by  $\Delta F$  OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control.

## 2.2 RD-301A REAR PANEL

#### 50. AC INPUT CONNECTOR (49008)

Provides for 115 to 230 VAC single phase power input to the RD-301A. Power Supply Assembly automatically adjusts according to source voltage available.

#### 51. FUSE

2.0 A, 250 V Fast Blo for 115 VAC operation or 1.0 A, 250 V Fast Blo for 230 VAC operation.

#### 52. VCO L-BAND OUTPUT CONNECTOR (J49004)

SMA connector provides VCO sample for testing tracking accuracy at L-Band.

#### 53. AM EXT INPUT CONNECTOR (J49005)

BNC connector provides input for external amplitude modulation. Sine, square or triangle wave signal input modulates the RD-301A reply pulse. External modulation source is 0 to 5 Vp-p providing up to 50% AM, depending on source frequency. (3 dB bandwidth at 3 Vp-p and 30% AM is from 30 Hz to 5 kHz.)

#### 54. AUX X-BAND OUTPUT CONNECTOR (J49002)

SMA connector provides auxiliary RF output from X-Band front end for signal generator applications and calibrating tracking accuracy of Test Set at X-Band. Output level is set with OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control.

#### 55. FM EXT INPUT CONNECTOR (J49006)

BNC connector provides input for external frequency modulation.

#### 56. ANALYZER RF X-BAND XMTR CONNECTOR (J49003)

N connector provides radar signal attenuated by 56 to 68 dB for a spectrum analyzer to check X-Band front end.

#### 57. 50% VIDEO XMTR CONNECTOR (J49007)

BNC connector provides detected pulses from the radar transmitter at TTL level and sliced at the 50% amplitude points.



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### 3. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

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#### 3.1 GENERAL

Performance Evaluation consists of a series of quick functional checks of the RD-301A front panel controls, connectors and indicators.

#### 3.2 PRE-OPERATIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

For maximum benefit, it is strongly recommended that personnel:

- Read and understand all steps of each procedure, prior to completion.
- Be familiar with the RD-301A as to power, frequency and waveform to be expected at each test point.

#### 3.3 CONTROLS, CONNECTORS AND INDICATORS

RD-301A controls, connectors and indicators are specified with item numbers. The location according to item number of each control, connector and indicator is shown in 1-2-2, Figure 1.

#### 3.4 TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

Appendix B contains a comprehensive list of test equipment suitable for performing the Performance Evaluation Procedures. Other test equipment meeting the specifications listed in Appendix B may be substituted for the recommended models.

**NOTE:** Some test equipment listed in Appendix B may exceed the minimum required specifications for certain Performance Evaluation Procedures.

#### 3.5 CORRECTIVE MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES

The Performance Evaluation Procedures aid the technician in determining if the RD-301A is functioning properly or a failure condition exists. A failure condition is reflected as a calibration error (measurement or reading not within prescribed tolerance) or a malfunction (signal is absent or extremely out of tolerance).

If a failure condition is confirmed, refer to 2-2-2 in the RD-301A Maintenance Manual or return the RD-301A to an authorized repair facility.

#### 3.6 TEST RECORD

A Performance Evaluation Data Sheet is provided for recording the results obtained while performing the Performance Evaluation Procedures.

**NOTE:** It is recommended that personnel reproduce copies of the Performance Evaluation Data Sheet, rather than use the copy in this manual.



### 3.7 PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PROCEDURES

#### 3.7.1 RF

TEST EQUIPMENT: None

STEP	PROCEDURE														
1.	Apply power to RD-301A and allow for 30 minute stabilization period.														
2.	Set RD-301A controls as follows:														
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Pushbutton Switches	<b>INTL</b>														
3.	Verify RF Indicator and X-BAND SIGNAL Indicator illuminate.														
4.	Verify $\leq 9295$ MHz on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.														
5.	Turn MNL FREQ Controls <b>fully cw</b> .														
6.	Verify $\geq 9500$ MHz on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.														

#### 3.7.2 IF

TEST EQUIPMENT: Frequency Counter

STEP	PROCEDURE																
1.	Apply power to RD-301A and allow for 30 minute stabilization period.																
2.	Set RD-301A controls as follows:																
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MODULATION MODE																	
Pushbutton Switches	<b>CW</b>																
3.	Connect Frequency Counter to IF OUT Connector.																
4.	Set OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control to <b>-20</b> (red scale, IF LO index mark).																
5.	Verify IF LO Indicator and IF OUT Indicator illuminate.																
6.	Verify $\geq 70$ MHz on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.																
7.	Verify FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display reading equals Frequency Counter reading ( $\pm 7$ kHz).																
8.	Turn MNL FREQ Controls <b>fully ccw</b> .																
9.	Verify $\leq 20$ MHz on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.																
10.	Verify FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display reading equals Frequency Counter reading ( $\pm 2$ kHz).																
11.	Set RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches to <b>IF HI</b> .																
12.	Verify IF HI Indicator illuminates and IF LO Indicator does not.																
13.	Disconnect Frequency Counter from IF OUT Connector.																

### 3.7.3 PRF

**TEST EQUIPMENT:** Frequency Counter

STEP	PROCEDURE												
1.	Apply power to RD-301A and allow for 30 minute stabilization period.												
2.	Set RD-301A controls as follows:												
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CONTROL	SETTING												
PRF/RF Switch	<b>PRF</b>												
INTL AM Switch	<b>OFF</b>												
MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches	<b>INTL</b>												
INTL PRF/AM Control	<b>50</b>												
X1/X10 INTL PRF/AM Switch	<b>X1</b>												
3.	Connect Frequency Counter to SYNC Connector.												
4.	Verify $\approx 50$ Hz on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.												
5.	Verify FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display reading equals Frequency Counter reading ( $\pm 1$ Hz).												
6.	Turn INTL PRF/AM Control <b>fully cw</b> .												
7.	Verify FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display increases to $\geq 500$ Hz.												
8.	Verify FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display reading equals Frequency Counter reading ( $\pm 1$ Hz).												
9.	Set X1/X10 INTL PRF/AM Switch to <b>X10</b> .												
10.	Verify $\geq 5000$ Hz on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.												
11.	Verify FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display reading equals Frequency Counter reading ( $\pm 2$ Hz).												
12.	Turn INTL PRF/AM Control <b>fully ccw</b> .												
13.	Verify FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display decreases to $\leq 500$ Hz.												
14.	Verify FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display reading equals Frequency Counter reading ( $\pm 1$ Hz).												
15.	Disconnect Frequency Counter from SYNC Connector.												
16.	Select each mode other than <b>INTL</b> on MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches and verify FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display reads 0 Hz.												

### 3.7.4 Range

**TEST EQUIPMENT:** Oscilloscope

STEP	PROCEDURE
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1. Apply power to RD-301A and allow for 30 minute stabilization period.

2. Set RD-301A as follows:

CONTROL	SETTING
PRF/RF Switch	<b>PRF</b>
MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches	<b>INTL</b>
PULSE WIDTH $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 1)	<b>20</b>
PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 1)	<b>1</b>
$\mu$ S/NM Switch	<b><math>\mu</math>S</b>
RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels	<b>000.0</b>
RANGE SEL Switch	<b>RINGS 1</b>
INTL PRF/AM Control	<b>500</b>
X1/X10 INTL PRF/AM Switch	<b>X1</b>

3. Connect Oscilloscope Channel 1 to DLYD SYNC Connector and Channel 2 to SYNC Connector.

4. Set Oscilloscope to display both channels (dc coupled) as follows:

CONTROL	SETTING
Trigger	Channel 2
Channel 1 Amplitude	0.5 V/Div
Channel 2 Amplitude	2 V/Div
Sweep Speed	0.2 ms/Div

STEP	PROCEDURE
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5. Set RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels to **200.0**. Verify Range 1 reply pulse (Delayed Sync pulse) moves right  $\approx 200 \mu$ s (one major division).

6. Set RANGE SEL Switch according to 1-2-3, Table 3 and verify results (leading edge to leading edge at 50% amplitude points).

7. Set RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels to various values and verify Range 1 reply rings change accordingly.

8. Set RANGE SEL Switch to R2 ON.

9. Set RD-301A as follows:

CONTROL	SETTING
PULSE WIDTH $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 2)	<b>20</b>
PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 2)	<b>1</b>
RANGE 2 DELAY Thumbwheels	<b>400.0</b>

10. Verify Range 2 reply pulse leading edge occurs  $\approx 400 \mu$ s after sync pulse leading edge (two major divisions).

11. Set RANGE 2 DELAY Thumbwheels to various values and verify Range 2 reply pulse changes accordingly.

SETTING	RESULT
<b>RINGS 2</b>	Two reply pulses are present. Ring 2 reply pulse occurs $200 \mu$ s ( $\pm 20$ ns) after Ring 1 reply pulse.
<b>RINGS 3</b>	Three reply pulses are present. Ring 3 reply pulse occurs $200 \mu$ s ( $\pm 20$ ns) after Ring 2 reply pulse.
<b>RINGS 4</b>	Four reply pulses are present. Ring 4 reply pulse occurs $200 \mu$ s ( $\pm 20$ ns) after Ring 3 reply pulse.
<b>RINGS 5</b>	Five reply pulses are present. Ring 5 reply pulse occurs $200 \mu$ s ( $\pm 20$ ns) after Ring 4 reply pulse.

Range Reply Rings Evaluation  
Table 3



### 3.7.5 Meter and Tracking Functions

**TEST EQUIPMENT:** L-Band Signal Generator  
Oscilloscope  
Pulse Generator

STEP	PROCEDURE
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#### METER FUNCTION

1. With power not applied, verify PANEL Meter indicates zero on KW PEAK scale. If not, adjust PANEL METER ZERO Control.
2. Apply power to RD-301A and allow for 30 minute stabilization period.
3. Set RD-301A as follows:

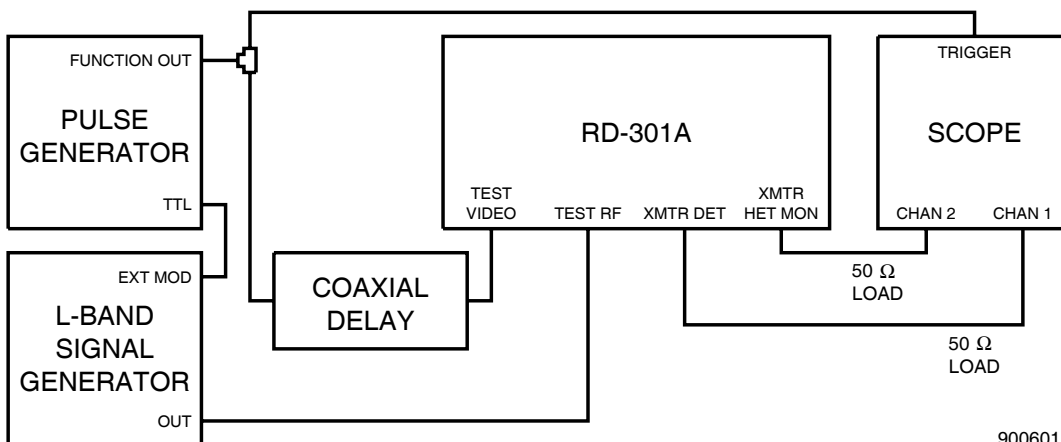
CONTROL	SETTING
PRF/RF Switch	<b>RF</b>
RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches	<b>RF TRACK</b>
MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches	<b>TRACK</b>

4. Connect Pulse Generator to Oscilloscope with 50  $\Omega$  load.
5. Set Pulse Generator with dc offset at ground reference, as follows:

CONTROL	SETTING
Waveform	Positive Pulse
Pulse Width	5 $\mu$ s
PRF	500
Amplitude	+1.5 VP

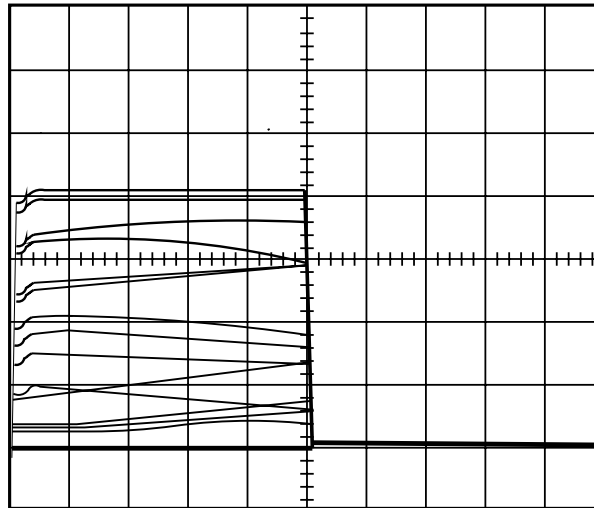
STEP	PROCEDURE
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6. Disconnect Pulse Generator from Oscilloscope and connect test equipment as shown in 1-2-3, Figure 3.
7. Set L-Band Signal Generator for 1150 MHz at +5 dBm.
8. Set Oscilloscope to view Channels 1 and 2 with fast sweep speed to verify Coaxial Delay.
9. Provide enough Coaxial Delay for XMTR DET Connector output (Channel 1) lead XMTR HET MON Connector output (Channel 2) by  $\approx$ 12 ns.
10. Set METER SELECT Switch to **PK POWER**.
11. Verify power level is between **1** and **2 kW** on PANEL Meter.
12. Set METER SELECT Switch to **EFF POWER**.
13. Verify PANEL Meter displays approximately same level as in Step 11.
14. Set METER SELECT Switch to **PK POWER**.
15. Adjust Pulse Generator pulse amplitude down to 0 VP and verify PANEL Meter reading drops to **0 kW**.
16. Adjust Pulse Generator pulse amplitude for **2 kW** on PANEL Meter.



Effective Power Evaluation Setup Diagram  
Figure 3

9006012



9016007

Heterodyne Monitor L-Band Test Signal  
Figure 4

STEP	PROCEDURE	STEP	PROCEDURE
<b>HETERODYNE MONITOR</b>		<b>EFFECTIVE POWER</b>	
17.	Adjust Oscilloscope sweep speed and amplitude scale to display Channel 2.	26.	Verify power level is <b>2 kW</b> on PANEL Meter. Adjust Pulse Generator pulse amplitude, if necessary.
18.	Verify Oscilloscope displays XMTR HET MON Connector output as pulse envelope filled with lines. Refer to 1-2-4, Figure 4. Lines should be mostly horizontal in nature.	27.	Set METER SELECT Switch to <b><math>\Delta F</math></b> .
19.	Adjust $\Delta F$ OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control <b>cw</b> and verify lines within pulse envelope change from vertical to horizontal and back to vertical.	28.	Adjust $\Delta F$ OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control for <b>+1 MHz</b> offset using $\Delta F$ -MHz scale on PANEL Meter.
20.	Set $\Delta F$ OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control to <b>CAL</b> .	29.	Set METER SELECT Switch to <b>EFF POWER</b> .
<b>TRACKING FUNCTION</b>		30.	Verify power level is <b><math>\approx 8 kW</math></b> (40% operation) on PANEL Meter.
21.	Verify $\approx 9400$ MHz is shown on Frequency Hz/MHz Digital Display.	31.	Set METER SELECT Switch to <b><math>\Delta F</math></b> .
22.	Adjust L-Band Signal Generator to 1200 MHz.	32.	Adjust $\Delta F$ OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control for <b>-1 MHz</b> offset on PANEL Meter.
23.	Verify $\approx 9450$ MHz is shown on Frequency Hz/MHz Digital Display.	33.	Verify power level is <b><math>\approx 8 kW</math></b> (40% operation) on PANEL Meter.
24.	Verify lines within pulse envelope on Oscilloscope remain relatively horizontal.	34.	Disconnect test equipment.
25.	Adjust L-Band Signal Generator for 1150 MHz.		

### 3.7.6 R1, R2 AUTO

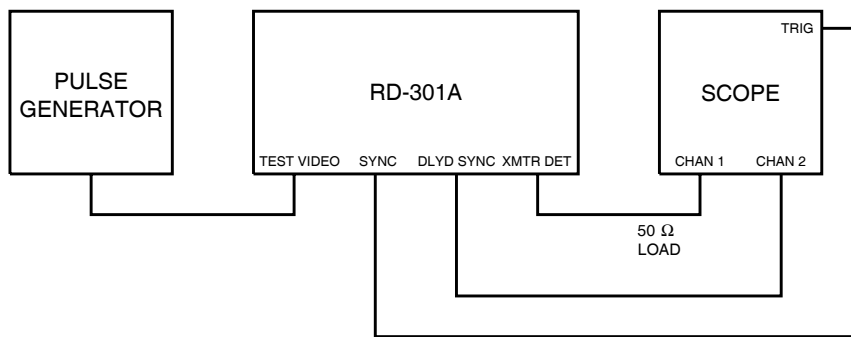
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Pulse Generator

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3.	Connect test equipment as shown in 1-2-3, Figure 5.																								

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4.	Set Pulse Generator as follows:										
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6.	Verify Range 2 reply pulse (Channel 2) is $\approx 11 \mu$ s following sync pulse (leading edge to leading edge at 50% amplitude points).										
7.	Decrease Pulse Generator pulse width until Range 1 reply pulse is displayed on Oscilloscope.										
8.	Set Oscilloscope sweep speed to 0.1 $\mu$ s/Div.										
9.	Refer to 1-2-3, Figure 6. Verify Pulse Generator pulse width is $\approx 0.4 \mu$ s (factory threshold setting).										

**NOTE:** If threshold setting has been readjusted, Pulse Generator pulse width should approximate new setting.

10. Disconnect test equipment.

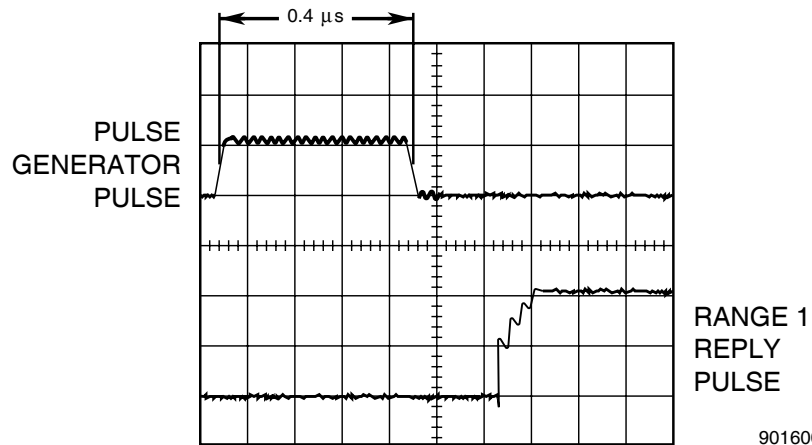


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R1, R2 AUTO Evaluation Setup Diagram  
Figure 5

### 3.7.7 Marker

TEST EQUIPMENT: None



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R1, R2 AUTO Threshold Measurement  
Figure 6

STEP	PROCEDURE
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1. Apply power to RD-301A and allow for 30 minute stabilization period.
2. Set RD-301A as follows:

CONTROL	SETTING
PRF/RF Switch	<b>RF</b>
RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches	<b>IF LO</b>

3. Press and hold DISPLAY MKR Switch. Verify frequency displayed on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display changes.
4. Adjust MKR FREQ Control **fully cw**.
5. With DISPLAY MKR Switch pressed, verify  $\geq 70$  MHz on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display
6. Adjust MKR FREQ Control **fully ccw**.
7. With DISPLAY MKR Switch pressed, verify  $\leq 20$  MHz on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.



3.8 Performance Evaluation Data Sheet

TECHNICIAN: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

RD-301A S/N: \_\_\_\_\_

STEP	DATA	RESULT
(1) RF		
3.	RF Indicator illuminates.	_____ (√)
	X-BAND SIGNAL Indicator illuminates.	_____ (√)
4.	Frequency $\leq 9295$ MHz	_____
6.	Frequency $\geq 9500$ MHz	_____
(2) IF		
5.	IF LO Indicator illuminates.	_____ (√)
	IF OUT Indicator illuminates.	_____ (√)
6.	Frequency $\geq 70$ MHz	_____
7.	RD-301A Displayed Frequency = Frequency Counter Reading ( $\pm 7$ kHz)	_____
9.	Frequency $\leq 20$ MHz	_____
10.	RD-301A Displayed Frequency = Frequency Counter Reading ( $\pm 2$ kHz)	_____
12.	IF HI Indicator illuminates.	_____ (√)
	IF LO Indicator does not illuminate.	_____ (√)
(3) PRF		
4.	Frequency $\approx 50$ Hz	_____ (√)
5.	RD-301A Displayed Frequency = Frequency Counter Reading ( $\pm 1$ Hz)	_____
7.	Frequency $\geq 500$ Hz	_____
8.	RD-301A Displayed Frequency = Frequency Counter Reading ( $\pm 1$ Hz)	_____
10.	Frequency $\geq 5000$ Hz	_____
11.	RD-301A Displayed Frequency = Frequency Counter Reading ( $\pm 2$ Hz)	_____
13.	Frequency $\leq 500$ Hz	_____
14.	RD-301A Displayed Frequency = Frequency Counter Reading ( $\pm 1$ Hz)	_____
16.	Frequency 0 Hz	_____ (√)



STEP	DATA	RESULT
(4) Range		
5.	Range 1 reply pulse moves right $\approx 200 \mu\text{s}$ .	_____ (✓)
6.	Ring 2 reply pulse position $200 \mu\text{s}$ (180 to $220 \mu\text{s}$ ) after Ring 1 reply pulse	_____
	Ring 3 reply pulse position $200 \mu\text{s}$ (180 to $220 \mu\text{s}$ ) after Ring 2 reply pulse	_____
	Ring 4 reply pulse position $200 \mu\text{s}$ (180 to $220 \mu\text{s}$ ) after Ring 3 reply pulse	_____
	Ring 5 reply pulse position $200 \mu\text{s}$ (180 to $220 \mu\text{s}$ ) after Ring 4 reply pulse	_____
7.	Range 1 reply rings vary according to delay setting.	_____ (✓)
10.	Range 2 reply pulse position $\approx 400 \mu\text{s}$ after sync pulse	_____ (✓)
11.	Range 2 reply rings vary according to delay setting.	_____ (✓)
14.	Reply pulse width $0.3 \mu\text{s}$	_____ (✓)
17.	Reply pulse width $3 \mu\text{s}$	_____ (✓)
20.	Reply pulse width $30 \mu\text{s}$	_____ (✓)
23.	Reply pulse width $300 \mu\text{s}$	_____ (✓)
26.	Reply pulse width $1.5 \text{ ms}$	_____ (✓)
29.	Range 2 reply pulse width $0.3 \mu\text{s}$	_____ (✓)
32.	Range 2 reply pulse width $3 \mu\text{s}$	_____ (✓)
35.	Range 2 reply pulse width $30 \mu\text{s}$	_____ (✓)
38.	Range 2 reply pulse width $300 \mu\text{s}$	_____ (✓)
(5) Meter and Tracking Functions		
<b>METER FUNCTION</b>		
1.	PANEL Meter indicates zero.	_____ (✓)
11.	Peak Power Level 1 to 2 kW	_____
13.	Effective Power Level $\approx$ Same as Step 11	_____ (✓)
15.	Peak Power Level decreases to 0 kW.	_____ (✓)
<b>HETERODYNE MONITOR</b>		
18.	XMTR HET MON Connector output Pulse envelope contains lines.	_____ (✓)
19.	Lines within pulse envelope change nature as Frequency is offset.	_____ (✓)



STEP	DATA	RESULT
(5) Meter and Tracking Functions (cont)		
<b>TRACKING FUNCTION</b>		
21.	Tracking Frequency $\approx 9400$ MHz	_____ (✓)
23.	Tracking Frequency $\approx 9450$ MHz	_____ (✓)
24.	XMTR HET MON Connector output Lines within pulse envelope remain relatively horizontal.	_____ (✓)
<b>EFFECTIVE POWER</b>		
26.	Peak Power Level 2 kW	_____ (✓)
30.	Effective Peak Power Level 0.8 kW	_____
33.	Effective Peak Power Level 0.8 kW	_____
(6) R1, R2 AUTO		
6.	Range 2 reply pulse position $\approx 11$ $\mu$ s after Range 1 reply pulse	_____ (✓)
9.	Pulse Generator pulse width $\approx 0.4$ $\mu$ s (or adjusted threshold setting)	_____ (✓)
(7) Marker		
3.	Frequency changes.	_____ (✓)
5.	Frequency $\geq 70$ MHz	_____
7.	Frequency $\leq 20$ MHz	_____

#### 4. GENERAL OPERATING PROCEDURES

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##### 4.1 GENERAL

The General Operating Procedures are a series of instruction sequences for using the RD-301A to test radar systems. The suggested instruction sequences provide a general application of the RD-301A. Some verifications are according to RTCA Document DO-173. Refer to the UUT manual from the radar manufacturer for specifications and detailed test procedures.

##### 4.2 PRE-OPERATIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

For maximum benefit, it is strongly recommended that personnel thoroughly read and understand all steps of the Test Function Procedures to be performed, prior to completion.

##### 4.3 CONTROLS, CONNECTORS AND INDICATORS

RD-301A controls, connectors and indicators are specified with item numbers. The location according to item number of each control, connector and indicator is shown in 1-2-2, Figure 1.

##### 4.4 TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

The test equipment needed to perform the General Operating Procedures is a calibrated RD-301A and Oscilloscope. Appendix B contains a list of test equipment suitable for performing any procedure contained in this manual. Other equipment meeting specifications listed in Appendix B may be substituted for recommended models.

**NOTE:** For certain procedures, the Oscilloscope listed in Appendix B may exceed the minimum required specifications.

##### 4.5 OPERATING PRECAUTIONS

**WARNING: REMOVE ALL JEWELRY OR OTHER COSMETIC APPAREL BEFORE PERFORMING ANY TEST PROCEDURE INVOLVING LIVE CIRCUITS.**

**WARNING: WHEN WORKING WITH LIVE CIRCUITS OF HIGH POTENTIAL, KEEP ONE HAND IN POCKET OR BEHIND BACK TO AVOID SERIOUS SHOCK HAZARD.**

**WARNING: USE ONLY INSULATED TROUBLESHOOTING TOOLS WHEN WORKING WITH LIVE CIRCUITS.**

**WARNING: FOR ADDED INSULATION, PLACE RUBBER BENCH MAT UNDER ALL POWERED BENCH EQUIPMENT AND A RUBBER FLOOR MAT UNDER OPERATOR'S CHAIR.**

**WARNING: HEED ALL WARNINGS AND CAUTIONS CONCERNING MAXIMUM VOLTAGES AND POWER INPUTS.**

**4.6 TEST SETUP  
(1-2-4, FIGURE 7)**

**NOTE:** Calibration of Test Set and appropriate test results are dependent on use of Waveguide Coupler and Serialized Coaxial Cable furnished with RD-301A. Any replacement necessitates recalibration.

STEP	PROCEDURE
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| 1. | Connect Waveguide Coupler to Radar UUT R/T antenna connector.     |
| 2. | Connect one end of Serialized Coaxial Cable to Waveguide Coupler. |

**CAUTION: THE SERIALIZED COAXIAL CABLE IS A PRECISION PIECE OF MICROWAVE EQUIPMENT AND CANNOT WITHSTAND ROUGH PHYSICAL USE OR ABUSE.**

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| 3. | Verify Dummy Load is attached to Waveguide Coupler flange marked "LOAD." |
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**CAUTION: THE HIGH POWER WAVEGUIDE TERMINATION (DUMMY LOAD) MUST BE ATTACHED TO WAVEGUIDE COUPLER FLANGE MARKED "LOAD" BEFORE PLACING INTO OPERATION.**

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|----|---|
| 4. | If Radar UUT R/T is rated above 12 kW (up to 120 kW), insert 10 dB Attenuator between Serialized Coaxial Cable and Waveguide Coupler. |
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**CAUTION: ANY TRANSMISSION FROM A RADAR UUT R/T RATED ABOVE 12 KW REQUIRES 10 DB ATTENUATION BETWEEN WAVEGUIDE COUPLER AND SERIALIZED COAXIAL CABLE.**

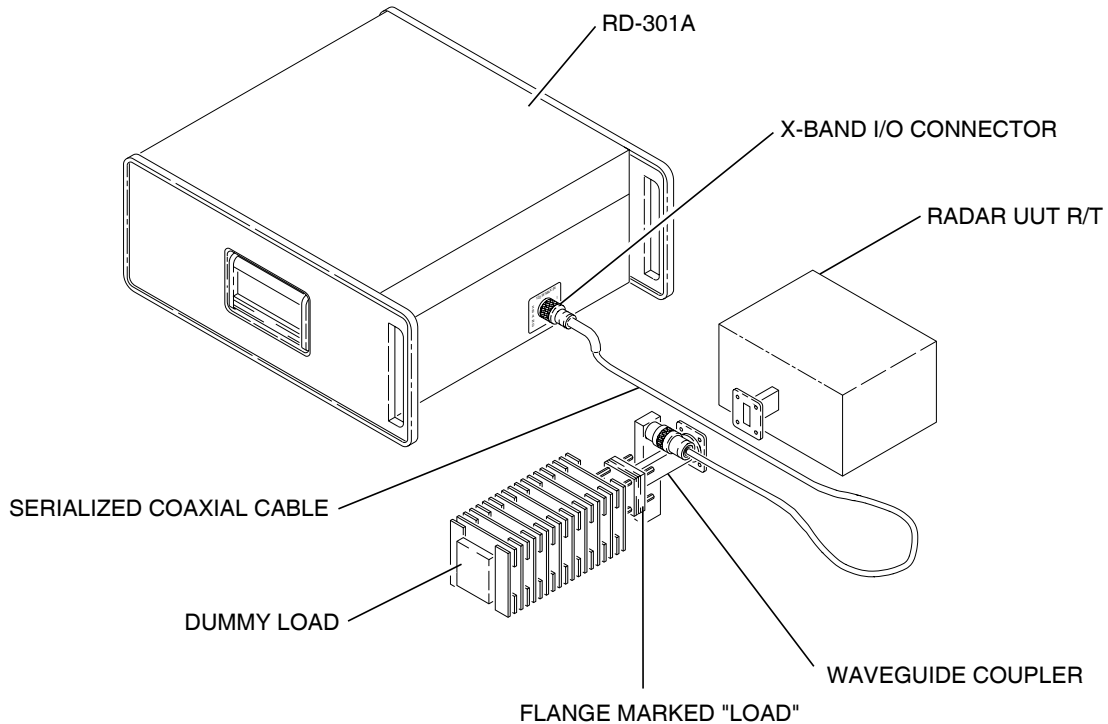
**NOTE:** When 10 dB Attenuator is connected, multiply PANEL Meter KW PEAK scale by ten to obtain correct readings. PANEL Meter full scale becomes 120 kW peak.

STEP	PROCEDURE
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| 5. | Connect Serialized Coaxial Cable to X-BAND I/O Connector on RD-301A. |
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**CAUTION: TRANSMISSION INTO X-BAND I/O CONNECTOR MUST NEVER EXCEED 120 W.**

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|----|---|
| 6. | Connect Radar UUT system equipment together according to UUT Manual |
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RD-301A/UUT Interface  
Figure 7

## 4.7 TEST FUNCTION PROCEDURES

### 4.7.1 PEAK POWER AND FREQUENCY

TEST EQUIPMENT: None

STEP	PROCEDURE
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| 1. | Perform Test Setup (para 1-2-4-6).   |
| 2. | Apply power to Radar UUT and RD-301A. Allow 30 minute stabilization period for RD-301A.  |
| 3. | Select <b>RF TRACK</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $\leq 12$ kW or <b>RF TRACK -10 dB</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $> 12$ kW using RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. RF Indicator or RF -10 dB Indicator illuminates. |
| 4. | Set METER SELECT Switch to <b>PK POWER</b> .   |

STEP	PROCEDURE
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|-----|---|
| 5.  | Verify UUT Peak Power on PANEL Meter using KW PEAK Scale. If 10 dB Attenuator is connected, multiply PANEL Meter reading by ten to obtain UUT Peak Power. |
| 6.  | Select <b>TRACK</b> using MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches. TRACK Indicator illuminates.   |
| 7.  | Verify $\Delta F$ OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control is in <b>CAL</b> (detent) position. OFFSET Indicator is not illuminated.                                     |
| 8.  | Set PRF/RF Switch to <b>RF</b> .  |
| 9.  | Verify Radar transmitter frequency on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.   |
| 10. | Set PRF/RF Switch to <b>PRF</b> .   |
| 11. | Vary range scale settings on Radar UUT Indicator and verify Radar transmitter pulse repetition frequency on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.             |

#### 4.7.2 Range Precision

TEST EQUIPMENT: None

STEP	PROCEDURE	STEP	PROCEDURE																														
1.	Perform Test Setup (para 1-2-4-6).	8.	Verify value shown on RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels equals specified distance between range rings on Radar UUT Indicator ( $\pm 1$ nmi for ranges $\leq 10$ nmi or $\pm 10\%$ of range specified for $> 10$ nmi or according to UUT specifications).																														
2.	Apply power to Radar UUT and RD-301A. Allow 30 minute stabilization period for RD-301A.	9.	Verify reply rings are positioned at each range ring on Radar UUT Indicator.																														
3.	Select <b>RF TRACK</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $\leq 12$ kW or <b>RF TRACK -10 dB</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $> 12$ kW using RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. RF Indicator or RF -10 dB Indicator illuminates.	10.	Repeat Steps 6 through 9 for all range scale settings on Radar UUT Indicator.																														
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5.	Set Radar UUT Indicator to minimum range scale.																																
6.	Set RANGE SEL Switch to number ( $\leq 5$ ) of range rings on Radar UUT Indicator.																																
	<p><b>NOTE:</b> If more than one Range 1 reply ring is selected by RANGE SEL Switch and the reply is not shown or is distorted on the Radar UUT Indicator, the reply pulse width selected on RD-301A may require adjusting. Pulse width is adjusted using PULSE WIDTH <math>\mu</math>S Control (RANGE 1) and PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 1).</p>																																
7.	Adjust RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels until leading edge of first reply ring from Test Set is superimposed over first range ring on Radar UUT Indicator.																																

### 4.7.3 Sensitivity

TEST EQUIPMENT: None

STEP	PROCEDURE
1.	Perform Test Setup (para 1-2-4-6).
2.	Apply power to Radar UUT and RD-301A. Allow 30 minute stabilization period for RD-301A.
3.	Select <b>RF TRACK</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $\leq 12$ kW or <b>RF TRACK -10 dB</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $> 12$ kW using RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. RF Indicator or RF -10 dB Indicator illuminates.
4.	Set RD-301A controls as follows:

CONTROL	SETTING
OUTPUT LEVEL	
FINE dBm Control	<b>0</b>
OUTPUT LEVEL	
COARSE dBm Control	<b>-70</b>
INTL AM Switch	<b>OFF</b>
MODULATION MODE	
Pushbutton Switches	<b>TRACK</b>
PULSE WIDTH $\mu$ S	
Control (RANGE 1)	<b>3.5</b>
PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER	
Control (RANGE 1)	<b>10</b>
$\mu$ S/NM Switch	<b><math>\mu</math>S</b>
RANGE SEL Switch	<b>RINGS 1</b>

- Set RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels  $>$ Sensitivity Time Control (STC) limits for Radar UUT Indicator.

#### MINIMUM DISCERNIBLE SIGNAL (MDS)

- Adjust Radar UUT Indicator to view reply ring.
- Adjust OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control until  $\approx 30\%$  of reply ring signal band is illuminated on Radar UUT Indicator.
- Add OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control settings to obtain MDS level.

STEP	PROCEDURE
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#### INTENSITY LEVELS

- Set RANGE SEL Switch to **CONTOUR/AM UP MOD**.
- Adjust CONTOUR/R2/INTL AM dB BOOST/ATTEN Control from 0 to 20 dB. Monitor Oscilloscope and Radar UUT Indicator for correct intensity/color responses.
- Verify CONTOUR/R2/INTL AM dB BOOST/ATTEN Control setting (Contour Threshold) relative to MDS at each intensity/color level according to UUT specifications.

#### 4.7.4 Turbulence Detection

TEST EQUIPMENT: None

- | STEP | PROCEDURE  |
|------|--|
| 1.   | Perform Test Setup (para 1-2-4-6).   |
| 2.   | Apply power to Radar UUT and RD-301A. Allow 30 minute stabilization period for RD-301A.  |
| 3.   | Select <b>RF TRACK</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $\leq 12$ kW or <b>RF TRACK -10 dB</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $> 12$ kW using RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. RF Indicator or RF -10 dB Indicator illuminates. |
| 4.   | Set RD-301A controls as follows:   |

CONTROL	SETTING
INTL AM Switch	<b>INTL AM</b>
MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches	<b>TRACK</b>
PULSE WIDTH $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 1)	<b>5</b>
PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 1)	<b>1</b>
$\mu$ S/NM Switch	<b>NM</b>
METER SELECT Switch	<b><math>\Delta F</math></b>
$\Delta F$ OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control	<b>CAL</b>

- Set Radar UUT Indicator for turbulence detection.
- Set RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels to desired range in nmi.
- Set RANGE SEL Switch to **CONTOUR/AM UP MOD** for up modulation. Set RANGE SEL Switch to any other position for down modulation.
- Use INTL PRF/AM Control and X1/X10 INTL PRF/AM Switch to set PRF of AM square wave.
- Adjust OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control for desired level of Range 1 reply.

- | STEP | PROCEDURE   |
|------|---|
| 10.  | Adjust CONTOUR/R2/INTL AM dB BOOST/ATTEN Control to set AM level referenced to Range 1 reply level. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Set from <b>00</b> to <b>20</b> (0 to 20 dB) for up modulation when Range 1 reply level is between -127 to -75 dBm.</li> <li>● Set from <b>00</b> to <b>59</b> (0 to -59 dB) for down modulation.</li> </ul> |
| 11.  | Verify Radar UUT Indicator displays turbulence according to UUT specifications.   |
| 12.  | For external AM, set INTL AM Switch to <b>OFF</b> and connect AM source to AM EXT INPUT Connector. Refer to 1-2-2 for input requirements.   |

#### 4.7.5 Dual Target Simulation

TEST EQUIPMENT: None

STEP	PROCEDURE
1.	Perform Test Setup (para 1-2-4-6).
2.	Apply power to Radar UUT and RD-301A. Allow 30 minute stabilization period for RD-301A.
3.	Select <b>RF TRACK</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $\leq 12$ kW or <b>RF TRACK -10 dB</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $> 12$ kW using RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. RF Indicator or RF -10 dB Indicator illuminates.
4.	Set RD-301A controls as follows:

CONTROL	SETTING
MODULATION MODE	
Pushbutton Switches	<b>TRACK</b>
$\mu$ S/NM Switch	<b><math>\mu</math>S</b>
METER SELECT Switch	<b><math>\Delta F</math></b>
$\Delta F$ OFFSET/EFF	
PEAKING Control	<b>CAL</b>

- Adjust PULSE WIDTH  $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 1) and PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 1) for 5  $\mu$ s or desired Range 1 reply pulse width (first target simulation).
- Adjust PULSE WIDTH  $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 2) and PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 2) for 10  $\mu$ s or desired Range 2 reply pulse width (second target simulation).
- Adjust OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control for desired level of Range 1 reply.
- Adjust CONTOUR/R2/INTL AM dB BOOST/ATTEN Control to attenuate Range 2 reply level from Range 1 reply level.
- Set RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels to **061.8** (5 nmi) or desired delay, in microseconds, from leading edge of UUT transmitter pulse to first target.

STEP	PROCEDURE
10.	Set RANGE 2 DELAY Thumbwheels to <b>086.5</b> (7 nmi) or desired delay, in microseconds, from leading edge of UUT transmitter pulse to second target.  <b>NOTE:</b> If the difference between Range 1 and Range 2 delays is not greater than the Range 1 reply pulse width, Range 1 reply overlays Range 2 reply.
11.	Set RANGE SEL Switch to <b>R2 ON</b> .
12.	Verify Radar UUT Indicator displays target rings at Step 9 and Step 10 ranges according to UUT specifications.
13.	Set RANGE SEL Switch to <b>R2 ALT</b> to have Range 1 replies for every UUT transmitter pulse Range 2 replies for every other (or alternate) UUT transmitter pulse.
14.	Verify Radar UUT Indicator displays target rings at Step 9 range every sweep and Step 10 range every other sweep according to UUT specifications.
15.	Set RANGE SEL Switch to <b>R1, R2 AUTO</b> to have RD-301A reply with either Range 1 or Range 2 reply pulse depending on UUT transmitter pulse width. Range 1 reply is transmitted when UUT transmitter pulse width is less than threshold (factory calibrated at 0.4 $\mu$ s). Range 2 reply is transmitted if UUT transmitter pulse width is greater than threshold.  <b>NOTE:</b> Range delays for both Range 1 and Range 2 replies must be greater than threshold. If Range 1 delay is set below threshold, Range 1 always responds. If Range 2 delay is below threshold, Range 2 never responds.
16.	Verify Radar UUT Indicator displays target ring at Step 9 range or Step 10 range according to UUT transmitter pulse width.

**4.7.6 Effective Power and Automatic Frequency Control (AFC) Centering**

**NOTE:** Suggested performance with para 1-2-4-7-9. (Shown separate for clarity.)

**TEST EQUIPMENT:** None

- | STEP | PROCEDURE  |
|------|--|
| 1.   | Perform Test Setup (para 1-2-4-6).   |
| 2.   | Apply power to Radar UUT and RD-301A. Allow 30 minute stabilization period for RD-301A.  |
| 3.   | Select <b>RF TRACK</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $\leq 12$ kW or <b>RF TRACK -10 dB</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $> 12$ kW using RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. RF Indicator or RF -10 dB Indicator illuminates. |
| 4.   | Set Radar UUT for transmitter pulse width $\geq 5 \mu s$ and $\leq 10 \mu s$ .   |
| 5.   | Set RD-301A controls as follows:   |

CONTROL	SETTING
PRF/RF Switch MODULATION MODE	<b>RF</b>
Pushbutton Switches	<b>TRACK</b>
RANGE SEL Switch	<b>RINGS 1</b>
METER SELECT Switch	<b>PK POWER</b>
$\Delta F$ OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control	<b>CAL</b>

- |    |   |
|----|---|
| 6. | Determine UUT Peak Power on PANEL Meter using KW PEAK Scale. If 10 dB Attenuator is connected, multiply PANEL Meter reading by ten to obtain UUT Peak Power.  |
| 7. | Set METER SELECT Switch to <b>EFF POWER</b> .   |
| 8. | When EFF READY Indicator illuminates, determine UUT Effective Peak Power on PANEL Meter using KW PEAK Scale. Multiply PANEL Meter reading by ten to obtain UUT Effective Peak Power if 10 dB Attenuator is connected. Refer to para 1-2-4-8 for power percentage. |

**AFC CENTERING**

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|----|---|
| 9. | Adjust $\Delta F$ OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control out of <b>CAL</b> position for highest possible Effective Peak Power reading on PANEL Meter. |
|----|---|

- | STEP | PROCEDURE  |
|------|--|
| 10.  | Set METER SELECT Switch to <b><math>\Delta F</math></b> .  |
| 11.  | Determine frequency offset on PANEL Meter using $\Delta F$ -MHz Scale. Positive needle deflection indicates UUT Radar R/T center frequency is too low (add frequency offset). Negative needle deflection indicates UUT R/T center frequency is too high (subtract frequency offset). |
| 12.  | Add or subtract frequency offset from Step 11 with FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display reading to determine center frequency for AFC alignment. Refer to para 1-2-4-7-9 for AFC alignment.  |

**4.7.7 Minimum Detection Range (MDR)**

**TEST EQUIPMENT:** Oscilloscope

<b>STEP</b>	<b>PROCEDURE</b>	<b>STEP</b>	<b>PROCEDURE</b>																				
1.	Perform Test Setup (para 1-2-4-6).	12.	Connect DLYD SYNC Connector to Oscilloscope Channel 2.																				
2.	Apply power to Radar UUT and RD-301A. Allow 30 minute stabilization period for RD-301A.	13.	Set Oscilloscope to trigger on Channel 1 and display both pulses.																				
3.	Select <b>RF TRACK</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $\leq 12$ kW or <b>RF TRACK -10 dB</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $> 12$ kW using RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. RF Indicator or RF -10 dB Indicator illuminates.	14.	Verify spacing from SYNC Connector pulse leading edge (Radar UUT transmitter pulse start time) to DLYD SYNC Connector pulse leading edge (reply pulse start time) at 50% points.																				
4.	Set RD-301A controls as follows:	15.	Disconnect test equipment.																				
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PEAKING Control	<b>CAL</b>																						
5.	Adjust PULSE WIDTH $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 1) and PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 1) to set Range 1 reply pulse width equal to Radar UUT transmitter pulse width.																						
6.	Adjust OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control to set Range 1 reply level equal to 30% of UUT limiting level. (Refer to UUT Manual.)																						
7.	Disable Radar UUT Sensitivity Time Control (STC) circuitry.																						
8.	Set Radar UUT Indicator to $\approx 10$ nmi range limit. Verify Range 1 reply ring signal is shown on Radar UUT Indicator.																						
9.	Decrease RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels until Radar UUT Indicator displays $\approx 30\%$ of reply ring signal band (MDS level is reached).																						
10.	Verify MDR, RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels setting, is $\leq 2$ nmi.																						
11.	Connect SYNC Connector to Oscilloscope Channel																						

#### 4.7.8 Sensitivity Time Control (STC)

TEST EQUIPMENT: Oscilloscope

- | STEP | PROCEDURE  |
|------|--|
| 1.   | Perform Test Setup (para 1-2-4-6).   |
| 2.   | Apply power to Radar UUT and RD-301A. Allow 30 minute stabilization period for RD-301A.  |
| 3.   | Select <b>RF TRACK</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $\leq 12$ kW or <b>RF TRACK -10 dB</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $> 12$ kW using RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. RF Indicator or RF -10 dB Indicator illuminates. |
| 4.   | Set RD-301A controls as follows:   |

CONTROL	SETTING
MODULATION MODE	
Pushbutton Switches	<b>TRACK</b>
$\mu$ S/NM Switch	<b>NM</b>
RANGE SEL Switch	<b>RINGS 1</b>
METER SELECT Switch	<b><math>\Delta F</math></b>
$\Delta F$ OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control	<b>CAL</b>

- Adjust PULSE WIDTH  $\mu$ S Control (RANGE 1) and PULSE WIDTH MULTIPLIER Control (RANGE 1) to set Range 1 reply pulse width equal to Radar UUT transmitter pulse width.
- Set RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels to maximum range of STC on Radar UUT.
- Connect XMTR DET Connector to Oscilloscope Channel 1 with 50  $\Omega$  load. Connect DLYD SYNC Connector to Oscilloscope Channel 2.
- Set Oscilloscope to trigger on Channel 2 and display level of Radar UUT transmitter pulse.
- Adjust OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control until transmitter pulse level displayed on Oscilloscope equals reply pulse level. Add OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control together to calculate Output Level. Verify and record level.

- | STEP | PROCEDURE  |
|------|--|
| 10.  | Repeat Steps 6 through 9 for six equally spaced ranges within STC operational limits of Radar UUT. |
| 11.  | Disconnect test equipment.   |

### 4.7.9 Magnetron Pulse Frequency and Phase Deviation

**NOTE:** Suggested performance with para 1-2-4-7-6. (Shown separate for clarity.)

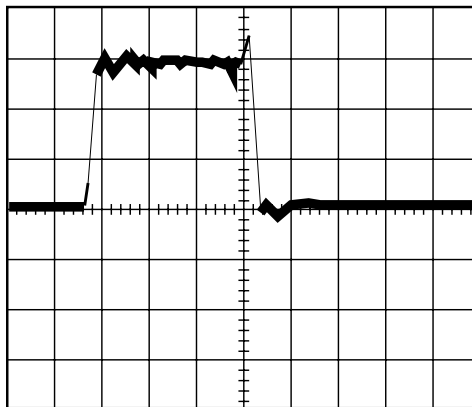
**TEST EQUIPMENT:** Oscilloscope

- | STEP | PROCEDURE  |
|------|--|
| 1.   | Perform Test Setup (para 1-2-4-6).   |
| 2.   | Apply power to Radar UUT and RD-301A. Allow 30 minute stabilization period for RD-301A.  |
| 3.   | Select <b>RF TRACK</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $\leq 12$ kW or <b>RF TRACK -10 dB</b> for Radar UUT R/T rated $> 12$ kW using RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. RF Indicator or RF -10 dB Indicator illuminates. |
| 4.   | Set RD-301A controls as follows:   |

CONTROL	SETTING
PRF/RF Switch	<b>RF</b>
MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches	<b>TRACK</b>
$\mu$ S/NM Switch	<b><math>\mu</math>S</b>
RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels	<b>024.0</b>
RANGE SEL Switch	<b>RINGS 1</b>
$\Delta$ F OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control	<b>CAL</b>

- | STEP   | PROCEDURE  |
|--|--|
| <b>DISCRIMINATOR PULSE (FREQUENCY DEVIATION)</b> |  |
| 5.   | Connect XMTR DSCRM .1V/MHz Connector to Oscilloscope Channel 1 with $50 \Omega$ load. Connect DLYD SYNC Connector to Oscilloscope Channel 2.   |
| 6.   | Set Oscilloscope to trigger on Channel 2 and display level of $5 \mu$ s wide discriminator pulse. Refer to 1-2-4, Figure 8 for example discriminator pulse with Oscilloscope set at 3 mV/Div.  |
| 7.   | Determine frequency deviation during Radar UUT transmitter pulse. Voltage level changes during discriminator pulse, displayed on Oscilloscope, reflect changes in frequency during Radar UUT transmitter pulse. Reference or average voltage corresponds to frequency shown on Frequency Hz/MHz Digital Display. One mV of level change represents 10 kHz of frequency change. |

**NOTE:** Adjust RANGE 1 DELAY Thumbwheels to set Oscilloscope trigger for greater time base resolution.



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Discriminator Pulse  
Figure 8

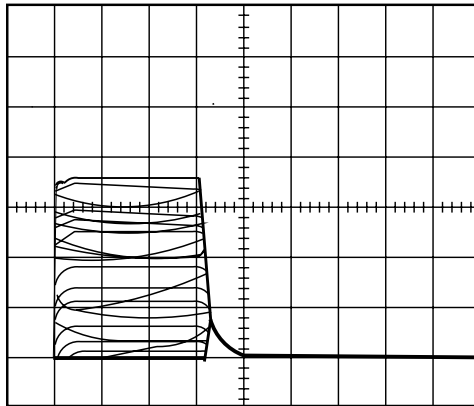
STEP	PROCEDURE
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**HETERODYNE MONITOR  
(FREQUENCY AND PHASE DEVIATION)**

8. Disconnect XMTR DSCRM .1V/MHz Connector from Oscilloscope Channel 1. Disconnect DLYD SYNC Connector from Oscilloscope Channel 2.
9. Connect XMTR HET MON Connector to Oscilloscope Channel 1 with 50 Ω load. Connect XMTR DET Connector to Oscilloscope Channel 2 with 50 Ω load.
10. Set Oscilloscope to trigger on Channel 2 and display Channel 1. Refer to 1-2-4, Figure 9 for example of XMTR HET MON Connector output. Example Radar UUT transmitter pulse is 1.6 μs wide.

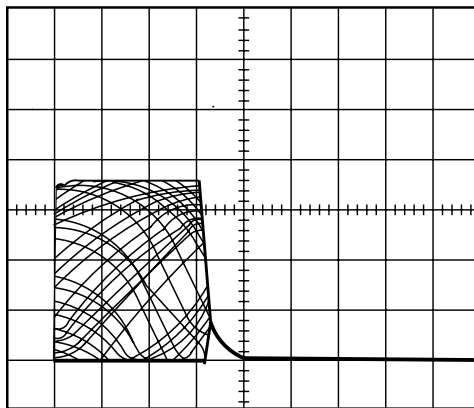
STEP	PROCEDURE
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**NOTE:** The RD-301A compares or frequency beats the Radar UUT transmitter pulse signal with the internal RF signal generator CW signal. When the frequencies match, a zero beat note is produced at the XMTR HET MON Connector. The signal appears on the Oscilloscope as a pulse envelope containing vertically random, horizontal lines. The random vertical dc level, dependent on the finite frequency synchronizing between the two input signals at each pulse occurrence, is set instantaneously. As the two signals become different in frequency, the horizontal lines begin to slope up and down crossing each other, appearing as a cross-hatch pattern on the Oscilloscope. Refer to 1-2-4, Figure 10. The frequency beating technique (heterodyning) is very accurate in comparing frequencies. Application, dependent somewhat on radar transmitter frequency stability, resolves a few kilohertz in a 5 μs pulse. Short term frequency variations during transmitter magnetron pulses are identified using an Oscilloscope display of the XMTR HET MON Connector out-put. An abrupt frequency variation (magnetron mode splitting) is displayed with a vertical fine line between two different patterns (i.e., cross-hatch/horizontal lines). Refer to 1-2-4, Figure 11. The degree of frequency shift and time duration of the modes are measured using the ΔF OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control while observing the XMTR HET MON Connector output. When both input signals are at zero beat, Amplitude Modulation plus any Phase Modulation is shown at the peak of the envelope. The AM response diminishes as the beat notes occur more towards the base line revealing phase response only at the base line. The RD-301A and Oscilloscope identify the location and magnitude of phase pulling within the magnetron pulse.



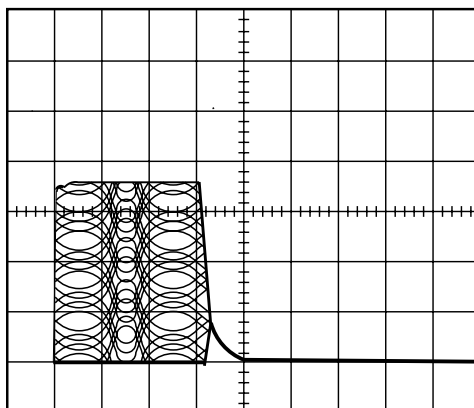
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Heterodyne Monitor Output (Aligned Radar)  
Figure 9



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Heterodyne Monitor Output (Frequency Deviation)  
Figure 10



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Heterodyne Monitor Output (Mode Split)  
Figure 11

**STEP                      PROCEDURE**

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12. Set METER SELECT Switch to  $\Delta F$ .
13. Adjust  $\Delta F$  OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control out of **CAL** position until XMTR HET MON Connector output lines displayed on Oscilloscope are mostly horizontal and parallel to each other.

**NOTE:** Usually, one offset frequency will not resolve all frequency and phase deviations in the Radar UUT transmitter pulse. Different sections are analyzed to find frequency and phase errors. The RD-301A and Oscilloscope reveal the frequency and phase characteristics of the Radar UUT transmitter pulse to provide location and amount of correction needed in the magnetron pulse.

14. Determine frequency offset on PANEL Meter using  $\Delta F$ -MHz Scale. Positive needle deflection indicates Radar UUT transmitter pulse frequency is too low (positive correction or negative error) Subtract frequency offset to determine frequency of pulse section in error. Add frequency offset to determine best corrective frequency. Negative needle deflection indicates Radar UUT transmitter pulse frequency is too high (negative correction or positive error). Add frequency offset to determine frequency of pulse section in error. Subtract frequency offset to determine best corrective frequency.
15. Add or subtract frequency offset from Step 14 with FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display reading to determine Radar UUT transmitter pulse frequency for section being analyzed.

**NOTE:** Best corrective frequencies should closely match each other and AFC center frequency determined in para 1-2-4-7-6.

**STEP                      PROCEDURE**

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**AFC ALIGNMENT**

16. Select **RF MNL** for Radar UUT R/T rated  $\leq 12$  kW or **RF MNL -10 dB** for Radar UUT R/T rated  $> 12$  kW on RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches.
17. Set METER SELECT Switch to **EFF POWER** and  $\Delta F$  OFFSET/EFF PEAKING Control to **CAL**.
18. Adjust MNL FREQ Controls until AFC center frequency determined in para 1-2-4-7-6 and/or Step 15 is shown on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.
19. Align Radar UUT AFC center frequency for highest possible Effective Peak Power reading on PANEL Meter and XMTR HET MON Connector output lines displayed on Oscilloscope are mostly horizontal and parallel to each other.

**RADAR UUT TRANSMITTER PULSE WIDTH**

20. Set Oscilloscope to display only Channel 2.
21. Verify Radar UUT transmitter pulse width according to UUT specifications. Pulse width must be  $\leq 2.5\%$  of time base range in use on Radar UUT or  $\leq 20 \mu s$ , whichever is greater.

**RADAR UUT TRANSMITTER PULSE COMPARISON**

22. Set Oscilloscope to display both channels.
23. Compare detected Radar UUT transmitter pulse with frequency and phase characterized heterodyne pulse. Verify envelopes match.
24. Disconnect test equipment.

#### 4.7.10 IF Testing

**TEST EQUIPMENT:** Oscilloscope

STEP	PROCEDURE
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Perform Test Setup (para 1-2-4-6).</li> <li>2. Apply power to Radar UUT and RD-301A. Allow 30 minute stabilization period for RD-301A.</li> <li>3. Connect IF OUT Connector to 50 <math>\Omega</math> load at IF input on Radar UUT receiver or desired application connector.</li> <li>4. Select <b>IF LO</b> for IF signal from -132 to -20 dBm or <b>IF HI</b> for IF signal from -92 to +20 dBm using RF/IF MODE Pushbutton Switches. IF LO Indicator or IF HI Indicator illuminates.</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>EXT (+)</b> for IF signal, modulated by external 2 to 25 VP pulse rising edge or positive half of sine wave. Connect external source to EXT TRIG Connector.</li> <li>● <b>EXT (-)</b> for IF signal, modulated by external 2 to 25 VP pulse falling edge or negative half of sine wave. Connect external source to EXT TRIG Connector.</li> </ul> <p><b>SWEEP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10. Adjust SWEEP WIDTH MHz Control for desired sweep width from 0 to 4 MHz.</li> </ol>
<p><b>NOTE:</b> RD-301A produces IF or X-Band signals but not both at the same time.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. For Radar UUT receiver selectivity test, connect Oscilloscope Channel 1 to detector output of Radar UUT IF receiver.</li> <li>6. For Radar UUT receiver selectivity test or IF sweep operation, connect Oscilloscope Channel 2 to IF SCP SWP Connector.</li> <li>7. Adjust OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control for desired IF level.</li> <li>8. Adjust MNL FREQ Controls for desired frequency from 20 to 70 MHz. For Radar UUT receiver selectivity test, set frequency for maximum signal on Oscilloscope (<math>\geq 10</math> dB down from Radar UUT receiver overload level). Record level for reference.</li> </ol>	<p><b>RECEIVER SELECTIVITY</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. Use OUTPUT LEVEL FINE dBm Control and OUTPUT LEVEL COARSE dBm Control to decrease attenuation 3 dB from level set in Step 7 (increasing IF signal level 3 dB).</li> <li>12. Adjust MNL FREQ Controls cw until signal level on Oscilloscope is same as in Step 8.</li> <li>13. Record frequency shown on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.</li> <li>14. Adjust MNL FREQ Controls ccw until signal level on Oscilloscope is same as in Step 8.</li> <li>15. Record frequency shown on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.</li> <li>16. Verify difference between frequency in Step 15 from frequency in Step 13 Radar UUT receiver bandwidth) is within UUT specifications.</li> </ol>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9. Set MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>TRACK</b> for IF signal, modulated by Radar UUT transmitter pulse.</li> <li>● <b>INTL</b> for IF signal, modulated by internal pulse. Use INTL PRF/AM Control and X1/X10 INTL PRF/AM Switch to set internal pulse modulation.</li> <li>● <b>CW</b> for continuous wave IF signal used in Radar UUT receiver selectivity test and IF sweep operation.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<p><b>MARKER</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>17. With DISPLAY MKR Switch pressed, adjust MKR FREQ Control to desired marker signal frequency shown on FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display.</li> <li>18. Press DISPLAY MKR Switch to add IF marker signal (<math>\approx -20</math> dBc) to IF output.</li> <li>19. Disconnect test equipment.</li> </ol>

#### 4.7.11 UUT Power Percentage

Divide UUT Effective Peak Power from para 1-2-4-7-6, Step 8 by UUT Peak Power from para 1-2-4-7-6, Step 6 and multiply by 100 to obtain power percentage Radar UUT is operating at.

$$\text{Equation: } \frac{\text{UUT Effective Peak Power}}{\text{UUT Peak Power}} \times 100$$

Example: para 1-2-3-5

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{0.8 \text{ kW}}{2 \text{ kW}} \times 100 \\ & 0.4 \times 100 \\ & 40\% \end{aligned}$$

A Radar UUT operates at 40% when it has an Effective Peak Power of 0.8 kW with a Peak Power of 2 kW.

## SECTION 3 - SPECIFICATIONS

### 1. RD-301A RADAR TEST SET SPECIFICATIONS

**NOTE:** Specifications and features are subject to change without notice.

#### 1.1 RF SIGNAL GENERATOR:

Frequency: Variable from 9.295 to 9.500 GHz

Tracking:

    UUT Frequency: 9.295 to 9.500 GHz

    UUT Power: 0.25 to 12 kW

    Accuracy:

UUT PULSE WIDTH	ACCURACY
2 to 30 $\mu$ s	$\pm$ 25 kHz
0.5 to <2 $\mu$ s	$\pm$ 60 kHz
0.1 to <0.5 $\mu$ s	$\pm$ 600 kHz
0.05 to <0.1 $\mu$ s	$\pm$ 2 MHz

$\Delta$ F Offset:  $\pm$  MHz from tracking frequency

    Accuracy:  $\pm$ 20 kHz + 10% of  $\Delta$ F offset PANEL Meter reading

Output Power: Variable from -127 to -50 dBm (at UUT)

    Step: 1 or 10 dB

    Accuracy:  $\pm$ 2 dB

    Contour Boost: Variable from 0 to 20 dB above selected RF Output level between -127 to -75 dBm

        Accuracy:  $\pm$ 1 dB from 9.310 to 9.410 GHz

    Range 2 Attenuation: Variable from 0 to 59 dB below selected RF Output level (Range 1) ( $\geq$ -127 dBm)

        Step: 1 dB

        Accuracy:  $\pm$ 1.5 dB

RF Pulse Width: Variable from 0.05  $\mu$ s to 2.5 ms

RF ON/OFF Ratio:  $\geq$ 70 dB

Source VSWR at Waveguide Coupler:  $\leq$ 1.25:1

**1.2 IF SIGNAL GENERATOR**

Frequency:	Variable from 20 to 70 MHz
Sweep Width:	Variable from 0 to 4 MHz
Marker Frequency:	Variable from 20 to 70 MHz
Power:	Variable from -130 to +20 dBm
Step:	1 or 10 dB
Accuracy:	$\pm > 2.5$ dB + 1% of selected level
Pulse Width:	Variable from 0.05 $\mu$ s to 2.5 ms
ON/OFF Ratio:	$\geq 48$ dB

**1.3 MODULATION**

Track:	PRF same as UUT (50 Hz to 20 kHz)
INTL (Internal):	Variable PRF from 50 to 5000 Hz
Internal AM (Square Wave):	
Frequency:	Variable from 50 Hz to 5 kHz
Square Wave Duty Cycle:	50%
Accuracy:	$\pm 2.5\%$
Amplitude:	
Up Modulation:	Variable from 0 to +20 dB
Step:	1 or 10 dB
Accuracy:	$\pm 1$ dB for selected RF Output level between -127 to -75 dBm (9.295 to 9.500 GHz)
Down Modulation:	Variable from 0 to -59 dB
Step:	1 or 10 dB
Accuracy:	$\pm 1.5$ dB for selected RF Output level above -127 dBm (9.295 to 9.500 GHz)

#### 1.4 RANGE

Range 1:	0.1 to 999.9 $\mu$ s or nmi (NM) referenced to leading edge of detected UUT pulse at 50% point
Residual Delay:	0 to 0.2 $\mu$ s
Range 2:	0.1 to 999.9 $\mu$ s or nmi (NM) referenced to leading edge of detected UUT pulse at 50% point
Residual delay:	0.3 to 0.5 $\mu$ s
Range Accuracy:	Residual delay $\pm$ 0.01% of selected range delay (Range delay is referenced to 12.3589 $\mu$ s/nmi.)
Modes:	
CONTOUR:	Refer to RF Signal Generator, Contour Boost.
RINGS 1 through 5:	Selectable multiples of Range 1
R2 ON:	Range 1 and Range 2 active.
R2 ALT:	Range 1 active with Range 2 active every other detected Radar transmitter pulse.
R1,R2 AUTO:	Range 1 or Range 2 active according to detected radar transmitter pulse width. Range 1 active when Radar transmitter pulse width is <Threshold. Range 2 active when Radar transmitter pulse width is $\geq$ Threshold.
Threshold:	Variable from 0.2 to 1.0 $\mu$ s (Preset for 0.4 $\mu$ s)

#### 1.5 FREQUENCY COUNTER

RF:	
Resolution:	10 kHz
Accuracy:	$\pm$ 250 kHz
IF:	
Resolution:	1 kHz
Accuracy:	$\pm$ 0.01% of FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display reading
PRF:	
Resolution:	1 Hz
Accuracy:	$\pm$ 1 Hz + 0.01% of FREQUENCY Hz/MHz Digital Display reading

## 1.6 POWER METER

Range:	0.25 kW to 12 kW peak (standard) 2.5 kW to 120 kW peak (option with external 10 dB Attenuator, not calibrated in system)
Accuracy:	±0.6 dB from 1 to 12 kW peak (standard) (at UUT)
Load VSWR:	≤1.25:1

## 1.7 OUTPUTS

### ANALYZER RF X-BAND XMTR

Connector:	Radar transmitter signal
Level:	56 to 68 dB below radar transmitter level
DLYD SYNC Connector:	Positive pulse coincident with reply pulse (Range 1 and/or Range 2)
XMTR DET Connector:	Detected Radar transmitter pulse
Level:	0 to +3 Vdc peak Video into 50 Ω
XMTR DSCRM .1V/MHz Connector:	0.1 V/MHz (±10%) into 50 Ω
XMTR HET MON Connector:	
Level:	0 to <+0.5 Vdc peak into 50 Ω
SYNC Connector:	Positive pulse
Position:	Dependent on MODULATION MODE Pushbutton Switches selection:
	<b>TRACK</b> Coincident with Radar transmitter pulse
	<b>INTL</b> Coincident with internal pulse
	<b>EXT (+)</b> Coincident with external trigger
	<b>EXT (-)</b> Coincident with external trigger

### 1.8 INPUTS

AM EXT INPUT Connector: External AM

Input Impedance: >10 k $\Omega$ , ac coupled

Input Voltage: 3 VP-P for 28 to 32% modulation

3 dB Bandwidth at 30% AM:  $\geq$ 4970 Hz (30 Hz to 5 kHz)

AM Percent Limit: 0% to 50%

Square Wave Modulation  
(typical values):

FREQUENCY	MODULATION	RISE TIME	FALL TIME
500 Hz	50% (10 dB)	28 $\mu$ s	60 $\mu$ s
500 Hz	30% (6 dB)	24 $\mu$ s	40 $\mu$ s

EXT TRIG Connector: ac coupled, + or -

Level: 2 to 25 VP

Frequency: 50 Hz to 20 kHz

### 1.9 POWER

AC INPUT Connector:

Voltage: 103 to 253 VAC

Frequency: 50 to 440 Hz

Power Consumption  $\leq$ 150 W



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### APPENDIX A - I/O CONNECTORS PIN-OUT TABLES

CONNECTOR	SIGNAL NAME	TYPE	INPUT/OUTPUT	SIGNAL TYPE
J49002	AUX X-BAND	SMA	OUTPUT	RF (X-Band)
J49003	ANLYZER RF X-BAND XMTR	N	OUTPUT	Attenuated Radar UUT Signal
J49004	VCO L-BAND	SMA	OUTPUT	RF (L-Band)
J49005	AM EXT	BNC	INPUT	External AM
J49006	FM EXT	BNC	INPUT	External FM
J49007	50% VIDEO XMTR	BNC	OUTPUT	TTL Video
J49008	AC	ac Male	INPUT	ac Line Power
J49012	IF SCP SWP	BNC	OUTPUT	5 Vp-p 100 Hz
J49016	X-BAND	N	INPUT/OUTPUT	RF (X-Band)
J49020	TEST VIDEO	BNC	INPUT	External Pulse
J49021	TEST RF	BNC	INPUT	RF (L-Band)
J49022	SYNC	BNC	OUTPUT	TTL
J49023	DLYD SYNC	BNC	OUTPUT	TTL
J49024	EXT TRIG	BNC	OUTPUT	2 to 25 Vp Pulse or Sine Wave
J49025	IF	BNC	OUTPUT	IF
J49026	XMTR DET	BNC	OUTPUT	Detected Radar UUT Pulse Signal
J49027	XMTR DSCRM .1V/MHz	BNC	OUTPUT	Reference Pulse (Amplitude Reflects UUT Frequency)
J49028	XMTR HET MON	BNC	OUTPUT	Radar UUT Pulse Modulation



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## **APPENDIX B - TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS**

This Appendix contains a list of test equipment suitable for performing all of the maintenance procedures contained in this manual. The equipment listed in this Appendix may exceed the minimum required specifications for some of the procedures contained in this manual.

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>MODEL</b>
Frequency Counter	PM 6662 or Equivalent
L-Band Signal Generator	Aeroflex 2023B w/Option 11 or Equivalent
Oscilloscope	TEK 5032B or Equivalent
Pulse Generator	HP8116A or Equivalent



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**APPENDIX C - METRIC/BRITISH IMPERIAL CONVERSION TABLE  
WITH NAUTICAL DISTANCE CONVERSIONS**

TO CONVERT:	INTO:	MULTIPLY BY:	TO CONVERT:	INTO:	MULTIPLY BY:
cm	feet	0.03281	meters	feet	3.281
cm	inches	0.3937	meters	inches	39.37
feet	cm	30.48	m/sec	ft/sec	3.281
feet	meters	0.3048	m/sec	km/hr	3.6
ft/sec	km/hr	1.097	m/sec	miles/hr	2.237
ft/sec	knots	0.5921	miles	feet	5280
ft/sec	miles/hr	0.6818	miles	km	1.609
ft/sec <sup>2</sup>	cm/sec <sup>2</sup>	30.48	miles	meters	1609
ft/sec <sup>2</sup>	m/sec <sup>2</sup>	0.3048	miles	nmi	0.8684
grams	ounces	0.03527	miles/hr	ft/sec	1.467
inches	cm	2.54	miles/hr	km/hr	1.609
kg	pounds	2.205	miles/hr	knots	0.8684
kg/cm <sup>2</sup>	psi	0.0703	nmi	feet	6080.27
km	feet	3281	nmi	km	1.8532
km	miles	0.6214	nmi	meters	1853.2
km	nmi	0.5396	nmi	miles	1.1516
km/hr	ft/sec	0.9113	ounces	grams	28.34953
km/hr	knots	0.5396	pounds	kg	0.4536
km/hr	miles/hr	0.6214	psi	kg/cm <sup>2</sup>	0.0703
knots	ft/sec	1.689	100 ft	km	3.048
knots	km/hr	1.8532	100 ft	miles	1.894
knots	miles/hr	1.1516	100 ft	nmi	1.645



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<b>M</b>		<b>T</b>	
m	Meters	TGS	Tangential Sensitivity Signal
Max	Maximum	TRIG	Trigger
MDR	Minimum Detectable Range	TTL	Transistor-Transistor Logic
MDS	Minimum Discernible Signal		
MHz	Megahertz ( $10^6$ )		
Min	Minimum		
MKR	Marker	UUT	Unit Under Test
MNL	Manual		
MOD	Modulator		
MON	Monitor		
ms	Milliseconds ( $10^{-3}$ )	V	Volts
mV	Millivolt ( $10^{-3}$ )	VAC	Volts, Alternating Current
		VCO	Voltage Controlled Oscillator
		Vdc	Volts, Direct Current
		VHF	Very High Frequency
		Vp	Volts, Peak
		Vp-p	Volts, Peak-to-Peak
		VSWR	Voltage Standing Wave Ratio
<b>N</b>		<b>U</b>	
N/A	Not Applicable		
NM	Nautical Miles		
nmi	Nautical Miles		
ns	Nanoseconds ( $10^{-9}$ )		
<b>O</b>		<b>V</b>	
OSC	Oscillator	W	Watts
<b>P</b>		<b>X</b>	
PC	Printed Circuit	XCVR	Transceiver
PM	Pulse Modulated	XMTR	Transmitter
PPM	Pulse Position Modulated		
PRF	Pulse Repetition Frequency		
psi	Pounds per Square Inch		
PWM	Pulse Width Modulated		
PWR	Power	$\mu$ s	Microseconds ( $10^{-6}$ )
<b>R</b>			
RCT	Rain Echo Attenuation Compensation Technique		
RCV	Receive		
RCVR	Receiver		
Ref	Reference		
RF	Radio Frequency		
RMS	Root Mean Square		
R/T	Receiver/Transmitter		
RTCA	Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics		
<b>S</b>			
SCOPE	Oscilloscope		
SCP	Oscilloscope		
sec	Seconds		
SEL	Select		
S/N	Serial Number		
STC	Sensitivity Time Control		
SWP	Sweep		
SYNC	Synchronization		

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