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SPECIFICATIONS

Center Frequency: 30 MHz.

Bandwidth: Wide band, approx 4 MHz; narrow band, approx 0.5 MHz, selectable by panel switch.

Noise Figure: Typically $2 dB$.

Sensitivity: From a $400-\Omega$ source, for a 3-dB increase in meter deflection, $\langle 9 \mu V (wide) \rangle$ band) or $\langle 3.5 \mu V \rangle$ (narrow band).

Meter Characteristics

Normal Scale: -2 to 10 dB. Linearity ± 0.2 dB over 0 to 10-dB range.

Expanded Scale: 1-dB full scale. Linearity ± 0.03 dB.

Compressed Scale: 40-dB min range.

Continuous Gain Control: 10-dB min range.

Video Output (Modulation): 1.5 V max; 1-MHz bandwidth.

I-F Output: 0.5 V max into 50 Ω .

Power-Supply Output: 150 to 300 V dc, adjustable, at 30 mA, regulated; 6.3 V ac at 1 A.

Power Required: 105 to 125, 195 to 235, or 210 to 250 V, 50 to 60 Hz, 22 W (without oscillator).

Accessories Supplied: Power cord, spare fuse. Accessories Available: As local oscillator, GR 1208, 1209-C, 1209-CL, 1215, 1218, and 1361; 874-MRAL Mixer; GR874 low-pass filters, attenuators, adaptors, etc.

Mounting: Convertible-bench cabinet.

Attenuator

Range: 0 to 70 dB in 10-dB steps.

Accuracy: \pm (0.1 dB + 0.1 dB/10 dB) at 30 MHz.

Dimensions (width x height x depth): 8 by $7\frac{3}{8}$ by 8 in. $(205 \times 190 \times 205 \text{ mm})$.

Weight: Net, $12\frac{1}{2}$ lb (6 kg); shipping, $14\frac{3}{4}$ lb (7 kg) .

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SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 PURPOSE.

The 1236 I-F Amplifier is a sensitive, lownoise tuned amplifier. This instrument operates at a frequency of 30 MHz with two bandwidths: a wide band of 4 MHz and a narrow band of 0.5 MHz.

adjustments of the gain to obtain the desired output level.

In conjunction with appropriate accessory equipment, the 1236 is used to form a sensitive VHF/UHF heterodyne detector. In general, this system can be used as a null detector or as an indicator of relative voltage levels. Specific applications within these broad areas, such as noise-figure, attenuation, and VSWR measurements, are many and varied.

1.2 DESCRIPTION.

Solid-state components are used throughout the amplifier, except for three Nuvistors in the preamplifier and one series regulating tube in the localoscillator power supply.

Relative signal levels are indicated on a tautband, 6-inch meter that has linear and decibel scales. The top 10 percent of the scale can be expanded to allow high-resolution readout of 1 dB over the full scale. An accurate ladder attenuator is provided for relative signal-level measurements that are beyond the range of the meter. Output connectors for the 30-MHz signal and the modulation are available at the rear of the instrument. All operating controls are located on the front panel. A single knob permits both coarse and fine

The automatic-gain-control circuit is capable of compressing the meter-scale range to approximately 50 dB.

The 1236 I-F Amplifier can be divided into five parts as indicated in the block diagram of Figure $1-2$. Refer to the following paragraphs for a brief description of these circuits, and to Figures $5-11$ through $5-15$ for complete schematic diagrams.

1.2.1 PREAMPLIFIER.

The first stage of amplification in the preamplifier consists of two Nuvistors in a cascode circuit, preceded by a double-tuned bandpass filter. The impedance transformation in this filter is selected for minimum noise figure with a source impedance of 400Ω in parallel with 7 pF. (This is the average i -f impedance of the Type 874-MRAL Mixer that is recommended for use in the detector system mentioned in paragraph 1.1.)

A second bandpass filter, following the first amplifier stage, has either a wide or narrow band, depending on the setting of the BANDWIDTH switch.

A third Nuvistor tube is used in the output stage of the preamplifier. The output impedance of this stage is matched to the attenuator input.

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Figure 1-1. 1236 I-F Amplifier showing controls and connectors.

.2.2 ATTENUATOR.

The ladder-type step attenuator covers a range of 70 dB in 10-dB steps. Interpolation between steps is made using the meter with its linear and dB scales.

1.2.3 POSTAMPLIFIER.

The postamplifier consists of one untuned and three tuned stages. The gain of the untuned stage is adjustable over a minimum range of 10 dB, using the GAIN control.

The METER SCALE switch, in the COMPRES-SED position, closes the agc (automatic gain control) loop. The agc signal controls the gain of two of the tuned postamplifier stages. The output of the last stage (at the detector) is approximately 2 V, rms, maximum. To reduce the nonlinear response of the detector diode, a temperature-stabilized, linearizing network is incorporated in the detector circuit. A third winding on the output transformer supplies the 30-MHz output signal to the GR874 connector at the rear of the instrument. The modulation signal passes through a video amplifier to the output terminals, also located at the rear of the amplifier.

fier. With the METER SCALE switch in the COMPRES-SED position, the output of this amplifier controls the gain of two stages in the postamplifier. In the EX-PANDED position, the meter is connected to the output of the differential amplifier.

1.2.5 POWER SUPPLY.

The power supply consists of three supply circuits:

- a. Nuvistor plate supply.
- b. Transistor and Nuvistor-filament supply.
- c. Local oscillator supply.

All supply voltages are regulated, except the oscillator filament voltage. The local oscillator plate voltage is adjustable from 150 to 300 V by means of the OSC OUTPUT control.

1.2.4 AGC AND EXPANSION AMPLIFIER.

The rectified output voltage of the postamplifier is fed to the meter circuit and to a differential ampli-

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Figure 1-2. Block diagram of the 1236 I-F Amplifier.

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1.3 CONTROLS AND CONNECTORS.

Table 1-1 lists and describes the 1236 controls and connectors:

 \mathbf{U} Front panel **TUWER** Toggle switch Turns power on and on.

13 Fuse, 0.5 amp. Overload protection. Left-hand side panel Input signal, 14 End of input GR874 connector. cable

Input terminals for 30-MHz input signal. The source impedance for optimum noise figure is 400Ω in parallel with 7 pF.

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1.4 ACCESSORIES.

Accessories supplied with the 1236 are listed in Table 1-2.

General Radio instruments that are available for use with the 1236 I-F Amplifier in setting up a basic heterodyne detector are listed in Table 1-3. Refer to the GR catalog for a complete listing of other available accessories such as low-pass filters, attenuators, adaptors, patch cords, etc.

oscillator combination in a relay rack. (Can be used with all oscillators listed, except the Type 1218.

INSTALLATION

2.1 GENERAL.

The 1236 I-F Amplifier is primarily a portable instrument for bench use. It can also be attached to an oscillator, using the hardware set supplied. The amplifier/oscillator assembly can be used on the bench or it can be installed in a relay rack.

 $-TABLE 2-1$ — HARDWARE SET FOR AMPLIFIER/ OSCILLATOR ASSEMBLY (Part Number 0480-3070)

See Figure 2-1 for approximate dimensions and space required for the amplifier when used as a bench instrument.

Figure 2-1. Approximate dimensions of the 1236 I-F Amplifier.

NOTE

Instructions (Form 0481-0130-A) for assembly of amplifier and oscillator, and for installation of the assembly in a relay rack, are provided with the oscillator and rack-adaptor set. When using the instructions, substitute the 1236 amplifier for the power supply described in the instructions.

2.3 RELAY-RACK INSTALLATION.

Use the rack-adaptor set listed in Table 2-2 to install a 1236/oscillator assembly in a standard 19inch relay rack.

2.2 ASSEMBLY WITH AN OSCILLATOR.

The hardware set listed in Table 2-1 is supplied with the amplifier. With this set, the 1236 can be attached to one of the available oscillators recommended in Table 1-3.

This rack adaptor set can be used with oscillator Types 1363, 1362, 1215, and 1361. The width of the 1236/1218 (oscillator) assembly exceeds the width of a relay rack and this combination cannot be installed side-by-side in a standard 19-inch rack.

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2.4 POWER REQUIREMENTS.

The 1236 amplifier normally operates on a 105to $125-V$ or $195-V$ to $235-V$, $50-V$ to $60-V$ line. A line switch on the left-hand side panel allows easy conversion for either line input.

If operation on a $210 -$ to $250 - V$ line is desired, internal connections to the primary of the power transformer can be modified. Disconnect the white-orangegreen lead from terminal 2L (see Figure 5-3) and solder it to terminal 2. For the complete schematic diagram, see Figure 5-11.

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OPERATING PROCEDURE

3.1 PRELIMINARY CHECKS.

The following steps should be checked, and the necessary adjustments made, before operating the 1236 I-F Amplifier.

The -10 -dB and 60-dB positions on the ATTEN-UATION control are marked in red to alert the user to possible errors when operating with the switch in these positions. These errors, which can be caused by residual noise at the -10 -dB setting and by nonlinearity of the preamplifier at the 60-dB setting, are discussed further in paragraph 3.3.3 and 3.3.4.

a. Make certain the line-switch setting corresponds to the available line input (refer to paragraph 2.4). If operation on a $210-$ to $250-V$ line is desired, the power-transformer connections must be modified.

b. Observe the meter zero with the instrument turned off. Turn the screw on the meter cover (lower center) to adjust the meter to zero.

c. Connect the amplifier to appropriate accessory equipment and apply power to the instrument, using the POWER switch on the front panel. The pilot light should glow.

3.2 GENERAL OPERATION.

The following paragraphs refer to general use of the amplifier in the basic detector circuit.

3.2.2 METER SCALES.

The upper (black) scale is the linear scale, graduated in 100 equal divisions. The middle (red) scale has a range of -2 dB to 10 dB and provides the means to interpolate between the 10-dB steps of the ATTENUATION switch. These two scales are used with the METER SCALE switch in the NORMAL position.

The lower (red) scale expands the upper portion of the NORMAL scales to a 1-dB full-scale range, with the METER SCALE switch in the EXPANDED 1 dB RANGE position. To obtain an on-scale reading on the lower dB scale, the meter indication must first be set between 9- and 10-dB on the middle dB scale (indicated by the thick, red portion of the scale), with the METER SCALE switch in the NORMAL position.

3.2.1 ATTENUATION SWITCH.

This control decreases the output level by the amount (in dB) indicated by the setting. The attenuator covers a range of 70 dB in 10-dB steps. The meter, with its linear and dB scales, is used to interpolate between steps.

3.2.3 METER SCALE SWITCH.

The METER SCALE switch selects one of four possible positions depending on the function desired. The lower (expanded) scale on the meter is used when the switch is in the EXPANDED 1 dB RANGE position, and both upper scales can be used when the switch is in the NORMAL position (refer to paragraph 3.2.2.)

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In the COMPRESSED UNCALIBRATED position, the switch connects an automatic gain control loop into the circuit. The agc loop compresses the meter range to about 50 dB (refer to paragraph 3.3.5). This feature is particularly useful when the amplifier is used as a null detector in a bridge measuring setup. In this application, the age function makes it possible to achieve final balance of the bridge without readjusting the sensitivity of the amplifier.

When the switch is turned to the DC MIXER CURRENT position, the rectified mixer-crystal current is indicated on the linear (black) scale. Fullscale meter deflection corresponds to 5 mA. When the amplifier is used in a heterodyne-detector system, the local-oscillator output level must be adjusted to obtain a compromise between noise level and conversion loss. A high local-oscillator output will reduce the conversion loss, but increase the noise level generated in the mixer diode. Conversely, a low localoscillator output will reduce the noise level, but increase the conversion loss. In both cases, the overall noise figure is higher than the optimum value. A correct local-oscillator drive level is obtained when the rectified mixer-diode current is between 0.5 and I mA (between 10 and 20 percent of full scale on the upper, black scale).

3.2.4 GAIN CONTROL.

The GAIN control is a dual potentiometer with a single shaft. The front section of the potentiometer is the fine control and its wiper arm is connected directly to the shaft. The rear section is the coarse control and its wiper arm is driven by the same shaft, but with 30° of backlash built into the connection. With this type of control, fine adjustment of the gain can be made over 30° of knob rotation without changing the coarse-control setting. When operating the GAIN control, turn the knob to overshoot the desired position slightly, then turn the knob in the opposite direction for fine adjustment. Figure 3-1. Typical narrow- and wide-band response characteristics of the 1236.

3.2.7 DEMODULATED OUTPUT.

Binding posts at the lower rear of the amplifier provide a video output (modulation) signal of 1.5 V maximum, behind 600 Ω , when the modulation depth is 100 percent. Two suggested uses for this output are: a. level recording; Figure 3-5 shows the relationship between the modulation-output level (input to the recorder) and the i-f signal level. b. connect to narrow-band, low-frequency amplifier (GR1232 or equivalent) for higher sensitivity.

3.2.5 BANDWIDTH SWITCH.

This switch gives the user a choice of a NAR-ROW band of 0.5 MHz or a WIDE band of 4 MHz. Typically, the NARROW band is used for operation at lower frequencies, and the WIDE band is practical for use at higher local-oscillator frequencies where frequency stability often becomes a problem. The NAR-ROW-band and WIDE-band response characteristics are shown in Figure 3-1.

3.2.6 30 MHz OUTPUT.

AGR874 connector at the top rear of the instrument provides the means to connect an i-f output of approximately 0.5 V to a 50 Ω load when the meter indicates full scale. Some possible uses of the 30 MHz output are: a. i-f signal for afc (automatic frequencycontrol) loop. b. connection to a second heterodyne detector (communications receiver) for increased sensitivity. A very stable local oscillator, or tight alc loop, is required in this case.

3.2.8 OSC OUTPUT.

The OSC OUTPUT knob on the front panel of the amplifier is used to control the output level of the local oscillator (when it draws its power from the 1236 power supply) by adjusting the oscillator plate voltage between 150 V and 300 V.

3.3 INSTRUMENT CHARACTERISTICS.

3.3.1 SOURCE IMPEDANCE REQUIREMENTS.

The input circuit of the 1236 I-F Amplifier is designed to operate from a source impedance of 400 Ω in parallel with 7 pF (average i-f impedance of the GR Type 874-MRAL MIXER). The source impedance may vary from 200 to 600 Ω , with a small increase in the noise figure at the extreme values. In wide-band operation, a decrease in source resistance will cause a decrease in bandwidth. For example, a $50-\Omega$ source resistance will decrease the WIDE bandwidth to approximately 1.3 MHz and increase the noise figure to about 4 dB. A large deviation of the source susceptance (from 1.4 mmho) will cause a serious detuning of the input filter, resulting in a lopsided wide-band response.

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3.3.2 METER LINEARITY.

Linearity of the meter is determined by the tracking error of the meter movement and by the linearity of the detector circuit. A compensating network is used to partially offset the nonlinearity of the detector and meter-movement error. The resulting tracking error is shown in Figure 3-2. This curve is obtained with the ATTENUATION and GAIN controls set to limit residual meter deflection (due to noise) to less than 2% of full scale.

Figure 3-3. Curves showing meter error caused by residual meter deflection due to noise. Corrected reading $=$ meter reading $-\triangle$ dB.

Figure 3-2. Typical tracking error of a 1236 meter. Error shown here is due to detector nonlinearity and meter-movement error.

3.3.3 METER ERROR DUE TO RESIDUAL NOISE.

When the ATTENUATION control is set at -10 dB, residual meter deflection (due to noise) will result. The noise level depends upon the setting of the GAIN control and on the source impedance. If signal levels are to be measured at the -10 dB ATTENUATION setting, the meter readings must be corrected for residual noise. As the plot in Figure 3-3 shows, the error increases with either a decrease in signal level or an increase in residual noise. Correct the meter reading as follows:

3.3.5 COMPRESSED-SCALE RESPONSE.

COMPRESSED scale operation is obtained by an automatic-gain-control loop which operates when the meter deflection is about 35% of full scale. The response is plotted in Figure 3-4.

a. Read the upper dB scale on the meter and record this measurement as X.

b. Reduce the input signal to zero without changing the impedance presented to the amplifier input (replace the signal source with an impedance of the same value as the source impedance). Observe the residual-noise deflection.

- c. Record the error (ΔdB) taken from Figure 3-3.
- d. Calculate the corrected meter reading:

 $X - \Delta$ = corrected reading in dB.

3.3.4 ERRORS AT 60-dB ATTENUATION SETTING.

The preamplifier output stage becomes somewhat nonlinear at the highest (60 dB) attenuator setting. This effect is noticeable when the gain control is set close to minimum gain. The resulting error for a 10-dB step will not exceed 1 dB, and will typically be less than 0.5 dB. The signal level at which the preamplifier output stage saturates is approximately 3dB above the level required for full-scale meter deflection at minimum gain.

Figure 3-4. Curves showing typical linear and compressed scale response.

3.3.6 LINEARITY OF THE MODULATION OUTPUT.

The modulation (video output, 1-MHz bandwidth) signal is available at the binding posts at the rear of the instrument. The output resistance is approximately 600 Ω . The open-circuit output level is 1.5 V rms, for a 100% modulated i-f signal and full-scale meter deflection. Figure 3-5 shows the open-circuit output voltage as a function of the relative input-signal level, with the gain control set at minimum.

3.3.7 METER RESPONSE TO PULSED SIGNALS.

The detector in the output circuit of the postamplifier is a quasipeak device. Thus, the meter deflection is dependent upon frequency and duty cycle

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Figure 3-6. Typical 1236 meter response as a function of pulse duty cycle and repetition rate.

Figure 3-5. Typical modulation output voltage of a 1236 amplifier. Gain control is set at minimum.

as well as the peak level of the input signal. The curves in Figure 3-6 show the meter response as a function of pulse duty cycle and repetition rate.

Figure 3-7 shows the meter response for squarewave modulation, with varying frequency. Meter deflection peaks at approximately 40 kHz and then drops off. This is caused by the charge time constant (about $20 \mu s$) of the detector. The dotted portion of the curve indicates the meter response without the charge time constant limitation.

3.4 THE HETERODYNE DETECTOR.

The heterodyne detector is a basic detector system consisting of an assembly of the 1236 I-F Amplifier, the GR 874-MRAL Mixer, a GR local oscillator, and connecting hardware. See Figure 3-8. This assembly forms a sensitive, well shielded, wideFigure 3-7. Typical 1236 meter response for square-wave modulation.

The frequency range can be extended by heterodyning the signal with a harmonic of the oscillator. Sensitivity and dynamic range are reduced in this case. The upper signal-frequency limit is approximately 9 GHz.

frequency-range receiver for relative signal-level measurements.

An input signal, and the local-oscillator signal set to a frequency 30 MHz above or below the signal frequency, are fed into the mixer. The 30 MHz difference-frequency output, which is in direct proportion to the input signal level, is amplified and detected in the amplifier.

Figure 3-8. Block diagram of the basic heterodyne detector using a 1236, a GR 874-MRAL Mixer, and a suitable local oscillator.

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The 1236 amplifier contains a power supply for the oscillator and the output of the oscillator is adjusted by varying the oscillator-plate-supply voltage with a control on the front panel of the amplifier.

3.4.1 GR 874-MRAL MIXER.

Description. The GR 874-MRAL Mixer, see Figures $3-9$ and $3-10$, consists of a short section of coaxial line terminated with a mixer diode. The local-oscillator input is coupled to the diode through a $50 - \Omega$ resistor via a third coaxial arm. The low-frequency end of the diode is bypassed to ground by a 7 -p F capacitor and is routed to the $(I-F)$ output connector through a small inductor. Locking GR874 connectors are used at all three arms to provide optimum shielding and to keep leakage at a minimum. Typical VSWR performance and sensitivity of the GR 874-MRAL, with the 1236 operating in the NARROW band, are shown in Figure $3-11$.

Connections. In some instances, a poor match between the signal source and the mixer diode may cause low sensitivity. The match can usually be improved by the insertion of a short air line (such as the $GR 874$ -L10L or 874-ELL), an adjustable-length line (such as the GR 874 -LAL and -LK), and/or a tuning stub between the signal source and the mixer. The GR 874-TL used

Figure 3-9. Type 874-MRAL Mixer.

Figure 3-10. Schematic of Type 874-MRAL.

with either a GR 874 -D20L or -D50L (depending on frequency) can be employed as the tuning-stub assembly.

The VSWR below 5 GHz can be reduced by installation of a GR 874-G6L or -G10L attenuator pad between mixer and source. The pad also tends to make the local-oscillator voltage across the diode junction less dependent on the source impedance.

Always connect the input of the 1236 directly to the mixer end marked I-F. Connect the signal source to the arm at the opposite end of the mixer and

Figure 3-11. Graphs of VSWR performance and sensitivity for the GR 874-MRAL Mixer when used with GR 1236 in narrow-band operation.

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the local oscillator to the branch end of the mixer, marked LO. For the best possible shielding, the mixer should be connected directly to the signal source. A length of double-shielded coaxial cable can be used where less than maximum shielding is acceptable.

3.4.2 APPLICATIONS.

The heterodyne detector has many uses, some of which are (see Figure 3-12):

a. A null detector for bridges such as the GR 1602 and GR 1609 UHF Admittance Meter, and the GR1607 Transfer-Function and Admittance Bridge.

- b. An indicator of relative signal levels for:
	- VSWR measurements with GR 874-LBB and

GR 900-LB Coaxial Slotted Lines.

- VSWR measurements with hybrids and directional couplers.
- Attenuation measurements
- Filter characteristics measurements.
- Measurement of antenna patterns and antenna gain.

c. When calibrated at one level with a signal generator, power meter, or voltmeter; the detector can be used as:

- A VHF/UHF low-level tuned voltmeter.
- A VHF/UHF wave analyzer.
- A field-strength measuring receiver.

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Figure 3-12. Block diagram showing some typical measuring setups using the basic heterodyne-detector system.

- A Null detector, using the GR 1602 Admittance Meter.
- B Relative-signal-level indicator, using the Slotted Line for VSWR
	- measurements.
- C Typical test setup, using the series substitution method, for attenuation or filter-characteristics measurements.

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SECTION 4

PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION

4.1 PREAMPLIFIER AND ATTENUATOR.

See the schematic diagram, Figure 5-15. The input filter is a double-tuned bandpass transformer with a fixed coupling between the primary and secondary windings. The input cable has a characteristic impedance of 93 Ω and forms a part of the tuning capacitor in the primary tuned circuit. The tuned-circuit capacitance in the secondary circuit is the tube input capacitance, and this circuit is tuned by adjusting the inductance. The first stage in the preamplifier employs two type 7586 Nuvistors (V301 and V302) in a cascode circuit. The filaments are connected in series and powered from a regulated 12.6-V supply. The output tuned circuit of the first stage is coupled to another tuned circuit, forming a double-tuned filter with a narrow bandwidth of 0.5 MHz. For wide-band operation, the first tuned circuit is connected directly to the output stage and the second tuned circuit is shorted to prevent it from acting as an absorbtion filter. A third type 7586 Nuvistor (V303), operated with a fixed cathode bias, is used in the output stage. This bias voltage is obtained by connecting a $13-\Omega$ resistor (R310) between one side of the filament and ground. The voltage developed across this resistor by the filament current is applied to the cathode by the choke L312. The cathode resistor R306 provides a considerable amount of negative feedback at 30 MHz, resulting in good linearity at high signal levels. The output coupling network transforms the plate impedance of V303 to 100 Ω , which matches the input impedance of the attenuator. Components L310 and C318 are adjusted for a proper match, and at the same time, for a symmetrical band-pass curve around 30 MHz.

The attenuator output impedance is 50 Ω . For proper response of the -10-dB to 0-dB step, however, the attenuator should be terminated with a high impedance (compared to 50 Ω); otherwise, the additional load can detune the output circuit, causing an error in the -10 -dB to 0 -dB step.

4.2 POSTAMPLIFIER.

See schematic diagrams Figures 5-12 and 5-14. The first stage of the postamplifier consists of an emitter follower, directly coupled to an untuned, variablegain circuit. Variable gain is made possible by varying the emitter impedance of transistor Q101 by diode CR107, forward biased by a variable dc current.

Inductor L107, across the input connector, tunes out the capacitance of the coaxial cable that connects the attenuator to the postamplifier. The first stage of the postamplifier is unconditionally stable as long as the source impedance is 50Ω . When the source impedance is reactive, or resistive with a resistance much higher than 50 Ω , the presence of L107 can cause the emitter follower to oscillate. If this occurs, the oscillation frequency will usually be much lower than 30 MHz, causing a small meter deflection.

When the METER SCALE switch is in the COM-PRESSED position, the gain of the second and third stages is reduced by the agc voltage. As the input signal is increased, the base voltages of transistors Q102 and Q103 are reduced, thus reducing the gain. As the emitter voltages of Q102 and Q103 drop below 3.4 V, diodes CR101 and CR102 go into forward conduction, causing further reduction of the gain. The second, third, and fourth stages are stagger tuned: T101 is tuned below 30 MHz, T102 above 30 MHz, and T103 is tuned to 30 MHz.

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Feedback capacitors C107 and C113 are adjusted for a predetermined sensitivity of the postamplifier, and for a symmetrical response around 30 MHz.

The GAIN control affects the collector impedance of Q101 and the tuning of the second stage. As a result, some variation will occur in the bandwidth and the peak frequency as the GAIN control setting is changed. The effect is small enough to be negligible in the overall performance of the instrument.

The meter circuit contains a linearizing network (see Figure 4-1) that partially compensates for nonlinearity of the detector. In this network, V1 is adjusted for a linear response in the upper part of the meter scale and V2 is adjusted to optimize the lower part. Thus, two points on the meter can be adjusted for zero error with the full-scale position as a reference. In the 1236, the points selected are the 0-dB and zero-deflection positions. Residual noise, which is dependent on the GAIN control setting, will cause a small error in the meter reading. At maximum gain, the meter deflection will be 1 to 1.5 small divisions. To compensate for this error, resistor R139 modifies the linearizing bias current of detector diode CR103 by a small amount, which varies with the GAIN control setting.

Figure 4-1. Elementary diagram of the detector linearizing network.

series) is connected between the collectors of transistors Q202 and Q204. In the COMPRESSED and MIXER CURRENT positions, the collector of Q202 is connected to the base of the regulating transistor Q105 in the postamplifier by resistor R203.

4.3 AGC AND EXPANSION AMPLIFIER.

See schematic diagram Figure 5-12. A stable differential amplifier is used for both the meter-scale expansion and age amplifier. In the EXPANDED position of the meter-scale switch, the meter (with R203 in

4.4 POWER SUPPLIES.

See schematic diagram 5-11. The 1236 I-F Amplifier contains three regulated power supplies: a Nuvistor plate supply of 66 V, a transistor and Nuvistorfilament supply of 12.6 V, and an oscillator supply of 150-300 V (adjustable) regulated plate voltage and 6.3 V ac unregulated filament voltage.

The 66 - V supply has a Zener diode, CR507, in its ground-return loop, which provides -6.8 V with respect to ground. If the 66-V terminal is accidentally shorted to ground, the full short-circuit current will flow through diode CR507, which must then be replaced. The bias current of the 12.6-V supply reference-diode, CR512, is derived from the -6.8 -V source.

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5.1 WARRANTY.

We warrant that each new instrument manufactured and sold by us is free from defects in material and workmanship, and that, properly used, it will perform in full accordance with applicable specifications for a period of two years after original shipment. Any instrument or component that is found within the two-year period not to meet these standards after examination by our factory, District Office, or authorized repair agency personnel will be repaired or, at our option, replaced without charge, except for tubes or batteries that have given normal service.

the rear of the instrument and pull the cover straight back.

Refer to the following paragraphs for information on how to gain access to components and etched boards that are not accessible when the dust cover is removed.

5.2 SERVICE.

The two-year warranty stated above attests the quality of materials and workmanship in our products. When difficulties do occur, our service engineers will assist in any way possible. If the difficulty cannot be eliminated by use of the following service instructions, please write or phone our Service Department (see rear cover), giving full information of the trouble and of steps taken to remedy it. Be sure to mention the type and serial numbers of the instrument.

Before returning an instrument to General Radio for service, please write to our Service Department or nearest District Office, requesting a Returned Material Tag. Use of this tag will ensure proper handling and identification. For instruments not covered by the warranty, a purchase order should be forwarded to avoid unnecessary delay.

5.3.1 POWER SUPPLY.

Components mounted on the power-supply etched board are accessible at the top of the instrument. See Figure 5-3. For access to the underside of the board, remove the two No. 6-32 screws (A) and lockwashers at the rear of the board. Then, pivot the board to an upright position, as shown in Figure 5-4.

5.3.2 POSTAMPLIFIER.

The postamplifier box (see Figure $5-4$) has clearly marked access holes for commonly used adjustments in the top cover and rear panel. To gain access to components in the postamplifier box, remove the twenty four No. $4-40$ screws (B) and lockwashers, and remove the cover.

For access to the underside of the postamplifier etched board:

a. Remove the four No. 6-32 screws (C) and lockwashers: two from the bottom cover and two from the J102 support bracket.

5.3 ACCESS TO COMPONENTS.

To remove the dust cover and gain access to the inside of the 1236, loosen the two thumbscrews at

b. Disconnect the input cable from J101 and pivot the postamplifier box upward as shown in Figure $5 - 5$.

c. Remove the seventeen $No. 4-40$ screws (D) and lockwashers (see CAUTION on page 16). Remove the bottom cover.

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CAUTION

Do not remove the two (paint sealed) screws (E, Fig $ure 5-5$).

5.3.3 PREAMPLIFIER AND ATTENUATOR.

To remove the preamplifier-attenuator cover (see Figure $5-6$), turn the instrument upside down and remove the eighteen No. $4-40$ screws (F) and lockwashers.

NOTE

Limited access to the attenuator is obtained by removing the cover of the preamplifierattenuator box. To obtain full access to the attenuator, it is necessary to remove the preamplifier-attenuator assembly from the instrument. This involves extensive disassembly work and should be avoided if possible.

Pull the left-hand end frame back, remove the input cable from the side panel of the instrument, and slide the end frame back into position.

b. Swing the front panel of the instrument out.

c. Disconnect six wires (extending from the cable) from the top of the preamplifier-attenuator box (see CABLE, Figure 5-5). Remove the ATTENUATION knob. Remove the ATTENUATION and BANDWIDTH locking nuts from the front panel.

d. Remove the preamplifier-attenuator box from the instrument.

To remove the preamplifier-attenuator assembly:

a. Remove the four screws (G, Figure 5-6) that secure the front panel to the aluminum end frames.

e. Disconnect the single wire connecting the preamplifier and attenuator. Detach the attenuator box from the preamplifier box. Remove the U-shaped attenuator cover.

Full access to the attenuator is now available. To reassemble the preamplifier-attenuator, start with step e above, and reverse the procedure.

*Open circuit voltage from a 400 Ω source for a 3-dB increase of the output over the residual noise level. **Check on 1236 meter.

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Figure 5-1. Test and calibration setup for 1236 1.F Amplifier.

5.4 MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS.

The following procedure for checking the 1236 specifications is recommended for incoming inspection or periodic operational testing.

Sweep-frequency oscillator. Frequency range: 25 MHz to 35 MHz. Output: adjustable from $100 \mu V$ to $100 \mu V$, behind 50Ω . Mddel: GR 1025 Standard Sweep-Frequency Generator.^{*}

NOTE

A knowledge of detailed calibration and test procedures in paragraph 5.5 and 5.6 will be helpful in checking the specifications outlined in Table 5-1.

5.4.1 TEST SETUP.

The equipment required for test and calibration of the 1236 I-F Amplifier is listed in paragraph 5.5.1. The general test circuit for checking MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS is shown in Figure 5-1. This setup, with additional equipment such as an oscilloscope, is also used for calibration and trouble-shooting procedures. Observe the preliminary steps described in paragraph 5.5.2 before proceeding with this test.

CAUTION

- Signal generator.
	- Frequency: 30 MHz. Output: calibrated, $5 \mu V$ to 250 μV .
	- Model: GR 1025 Standard Sweep-Frequency Generator.*
- Precision attenuator.

Range: 70 dB in 10-dB steps. Accuracy: 0.05 dB per 10-dB step. Model: GR 1025 Standard Sweep-Frequency Generator.*

- AC/DC voltmeter. Range: 1.5 V to 300 V. Accuracy: $\pm 2\%$ of indicated reading. Input impedance: $20,000 \Omega/V$
	- Model: GR 1806 Electronic Voltmeter.
- Metered adjustable autotransformer.
	- a. For 1236 operating on 105 V to 125 V. Output: 105 V to 125 V, 30 W. Meter accuracy: $\pm 3\%$ of full scale. Model: GR W5MT3W Metered Variac[®] Autotransformer.

If the precision attenuator (see Figure 5-1) used in this test setup is a waveguide-below-cutoff type, do not use it in the circuit when making the first four tests listed in Table 5-1 because its frequency response can affect measurement results.

5.5 CALIBRATION AND ADJUSTMENT.

The following procedure is recommended for complete calibration and adjustment of the 1236 I-F Amplifier.

NOTE

Portions of the calibration procedure are also applicable to the sections covering MIN-IMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS (paragraph 5.4) and TROUBLE-SHOOTING PRO-CEDURE (paragraph 5.6).

- b. For 1236 operating on 195 V to 235 V or 210 V to 250 V. Output: 195 V to 250 V, 30 W. Meter accuracy: $\pm 5\%$ of full scale. Model: GR W20HMT3A Metered Variac[®] Autotransformer.
- Oscilloscope
	- Bandwidth: DC to 500 kHz. Sensitivity: 50 mV/cm.
		- Model: Tektronix Type 503 or 504.
- 1 50 Ω 400 Ω matching pad. (See Figure 5-2a for diagram and parts required.)

5.5.1 EQUIPMENT REQUIRED.

The equipment specifications given are minimum requirements and not necessarily complete specifications. Equivalent equipment may be substituted for the models recommended.

*The 1025 can be used as a sweep generator, a standard signal generator, and it also contains a precision attenuator. NOTE: Use composition=type resistors and mount R_1 with less than $3/16$ -inch lead length. Resistor values are nominal.

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1-dB attenuator pad. \perp Accuracy: ± 0.01 dB. (See Figure 5-2b for diagram and parts required).

Use precision (low inductance) resistors if they are available. If not, use 5 $\%$ carbon-composition resistors connected as follows:

b. Connect the autotransformer to the line input plug at the left-hand side of the amplifier. Set the autotransformer to 115 Vac and turn the amplifier on. c. Using the voltmeter, make the following measurements (see Figure 5-3). AT (terminal) 512 to ground: 12.6 ± 0.3 Vdc (adjustable with R511). AT507 to ground: 66 ± 5 Vdc. AT505 to ground: -6.8 ± 0.5 Vdc. SO501 (see Figure $5-11$). #15 to #16: 150 Vdc min, 285 V to 300 Vdc max. (controlled by OSC OUTPUT knob). #13 to #14: 6.5 ± 0.5 Vac.

5.5.4 POST AMPLIFIER.

5.5.4.1 PERFORMANCE CHECK.

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R_1 = \frac{910\Omega, 1/4 W}{20 k\Omega, 1/4 W}
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connected in parallel.
22 Ω , 1/2 W resistors

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R_2 = \frac{22\Omega, 1/2 W resistors}{24\Omega, 1/2 W resistors}
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 connected in parallel.
24 Ω , 1/2 W resistors

NOTE: Resistor values are nominal. Measure on a low-frequency bridge and select resistors so that R, and R, are within $\pm 1\%$ tolerance. Mount R_1 resistors with no more than $3/16$ inch lead lengths. Avoid overheating the resistors when soldering. The completed assembly should be checked against an appropriate standard at a frequency of 30 MHz to verify the 1 dB ± 0.01 dB accuracy specified.

> 1 Resistor, 10 k Ω \pm 10 $\%$, 10 W 1 Resistor, 100 Ω $\pm 10\%$, 1/4 W 1 Adaptor, GR874/BNC Type, GR874-QBPL

5.5.2 PRELIMINARY STEPS.

a. Disconnect the attenuator from the postamplifier input, J101, Figure 5-4 (BNC connector at the rear of the postamplifier box). Connect the signal generator to the postamplifier input using the GR874/ BNC Adaptor. Set the generator frequency to 30 MHz.

b. Set the METER SCALE switch on the amplifier to NORMAL. Set the GAIN control fully clockwise. Then, adjust the generator output for a full-scale meter reading on the amplifier. The generator output must be between $140 \mu V$ and $160 \mu V$ OPEN-CIRCUIT VOLTAGE.

c. Observe the two frequencies at which the response is down 3 dB. The difference (3-dB bandwidth) should be approximately 5 MHz.

5.5.4.2 ALIGNMENT.

a. Swing the power-supply etched board to its vertical position. Connect the sweep generator to $[101]$ (see Figure 5-4) at the rear of the postamplifier box. Set the 1236 METER SCALE switch to NORMAL.

a. Observe the zero position of the meter pointer with the amplifier turned off. If necessary, set the pointer to zero by adjusting the screw at the lower center of the meter cover.

b. Make certain that no static charge is present on the meter cover. Hold a $1/16x$ 3-inch strip of paper by one end and move the other end over the meter cover. A static charge is present if the paper sticks to the cover. Wet the meter cover with any available anti-static solution to remove the charge.

c. Apply power to the amplifier and allow a $1/2$ hour warmup time before calibration.

NOTE

Keep the amplifier in its upright position when reading the meter. Refer to paragraph 5.3 for instructions on how to gain access to the inside of the amplifier.

Adjust the frequency to 29 MHz and increase the generator output until an upscale reading on the amplifier is obtained. Adjust T103 for a maximum meter deflection (use slotted alignment tool*).

b. Set the amplifier GAIN control fully clockwise. Adjust the generator frequency to 30 MHz and the output for a full-scale reading on the amplifier. Back off the amplifier GAIN control until the meter reads 7 dB. Increase the generator output until the amplifier reads full scale again.

c. Connect C129 (feedthrough capacitor at AT105 in the postamplifier box, see Figure $5-7$) to the oscilloscope input. (Connect C129 to the EXTERNAL RES-PONSE DETECTOR jack on the generator if the GR 1025 Standard Sweep Generator is used.) Adjust the oscilloscope sensitivity so that full-scale spot deflection on the screen corresponds to full-scale deflection on the amplifier meter. Set the generator output to 200 µV OPEN-CIRCUIT VOLTAGE and switch to the sweep mode. The bandpass curve on the oscilloscope should have a 5-MHz bandwidth at the 3-dB

5.5.3 POWER SUPPLIES.

To test and adjust the power supplies in the 1236, proceed as follows:

a. Remove the amplifier dust cover. Remove the two screws at the rear of the power-supply etched board and the four screws at the rear of the postamplifier box.

points, centered around 30 MHz, and a full-scale vertical deflection at 30 MHz.

d. Align the response with $T101$, $T102$, $C107$, and C113, (see Figure $5-4$) if necessary. C107 and C113 determine the Q 's of the two tuned circuits and the gain of both stages. T101 and C107 affect the res-

*JFD #5284 or equivalent. (JFD Electronics Corp., Brooklyn, N.Y.)

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Figure 5-3. Top view of 1236 with dust cover removed. The etched-board
assembly supports power-supply and expansion-amplifier components.

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Figure 5-4. Rear view of 1236 with dust cover removed and the power-supply etched-board pivoted to a vertical position.

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ponse below 30 MHz; T102 and C113 affect the response above 30 MHz. Because of interaction between these four adjustments, a correct response curve is obtained by gradual and careful adjustment.

e. If the circuits are detuned by a considerable amount, adjust C107 and C113 for minimum output. Set T101 to its maximum inductance (lowest resonant frequency) and T102 to its minimum inductance (highest resonant frequency). Then adjust T101-C107, and T102-C113 for a broad, symmetrical response around 30 MHz. Once the broad response is obtained, gradually vary both sets of adjustments to get a correct response curve as described in step c.

f. Turn the generator sweep control off and set the frequency to 30 MHz. Set the 1236 GAIN control fully clockwise and adjust the generator output for a full-scale reading on the amplifier. The generator output must be between $140 \mu V$ and $160 \mu V$ OPEN-CIRCUIT VOLTAGE. Adjust the frequency for maximum deflection on the amplifier meter. Set the GAIN control fully counterclockwise and adjust the frequency for maximum meter deflection once again. Both frequencies must be within 30 ± 0.6 MHz.

to obtain a 9.5-dB reading on the amplifier. Switch to the EXPANDED position. The amplifier meter must read between 0.3 dB and 0.7 dB on the lower (expanded scale.

b. Set the METER SCALE switch to the COM-PRESSED position and increase the generator output by 40 dB, in 10-dB steps. The reading on the amplifier should increase with each step and not exceed full scale.

5.5.5.2 ADJUSTMENT.

a. Insert the 1-dB attenuator pad between the signal generator and the 1236 postamplifier. Set the METER SCALE switch to NORMAL and the GAIN control at the middle of its adjustment range.

b. Set the signal-generator frequency to 30 MHz and adjust the generator output for a 9-dB reading on the amplifier.

5.5.4.3 METER LINEARITY AND ZERO ADJUSTMENT.

a. Remove the oscilloscope connection and set the generator frequency to 30 MHz. Turn the amplifier GAIN control fully counterclockwise and set the generator output to zero. Set the amplifier meter to zero, using the ZERO ADJ control (R120, Figure 5-4).

b. Increase the generator output to obtain a fullscale reading on the amplifier. Reduce the output by 10 dB. Set the LIN ADJ control (R122, Figure 5-4) for a 0-dB meter reading on the amplifier. Increase the signal level by 10 dB and readjust the generator output for a full-scale reading on the amplifier. Observe the 0-dB position again and repeat the LIN ADJ adjustment until the 0-dB reading indicates no visible error. c. Set the generator output back to zero and adjust the ZERO ADJ control for a zero meter reading. Set the gain control fully clockwise and adjust the generator output for full-scale meter reading on the 1236. Reduce the generator output by 10 dB, and observe the 0 -dB reading again. The error should not exceed 0.2 dB.

Switch the METER SCALE switch to EXPANDED and adjust the meter pointer to zero, using R211 (on power-supply etched board, see Figure 5-3). Remove the $1-dB$ pad and adjust R203 (see Figure 5-3) for full-scale meter deflection.

c. Set the METER SCALE switch back to NOR-MAL and repeat steps a and b to check the adjustment.

NOTE

If this adjustment is made separately (not as part of the complete calibration), connect the signal generator, via the 1-dB attenuator pad, to the 1236 input and set the controls as follows:

ATTENUATOR: 30 dB. BANDWIDTH: either position. METER SCALE: NORMAL. GAIN: middle of the adjustment range.

NOTE

If this adjustment is made separately (not as part of the complete calibration), connect the generator to the 1236 I-F Amplifier input and set the controls as follows:

ATTENUATOR: 30 dB. BANDWIDTH: either position. METER SCALE: NORMAL GAIN: fully counterclockwise.

Then proceed with steps a through c.

Then proceed with steps b and c.

5.5.6 PREAMPLIFIER.

5.5.6.1 PERFORMANCE CHECK.

a. Connect the attenuator cable to the BNC jack $($ I01, Figure 5-4) at the rear of the postamplifier box. Connect the signal generator to the $50-\Omega$ side of the 50 Ω - 400 Ω matching pad. Connect the 400- Ω side of the pad to the input of the 1236.

b. Set the signal-generator output to zero, the ATTENUATION switch to -10 dB, the BANDWIDTH switch to WIDE, the METER SCALE switch to NOR-MAL, and the GAIN control fully clockwise. The meter deflection must be between 25 and 60 percent of full scale.

c. Set the ATTENUATION to 30 dB, the GAIN control to the middle of its adjustment range, and measure the 3-dB bandwidths. The WIDE bandwidth must be 4 ± 1 MHz and the NARROW bandwidth 0.5 ± 0.2 MHz.

5.5.5 EXPANSION AMPLIFIER.

5.5.5.1 PERFORMANCE CHECK.

a. Connect the signal generator to the postamplifier input $(101,$ Figure 5-4). Set the amplifier METER SCALE switch to NORMAL. Set the generator frequency to 30 MHz and increase the generator output

5.5.6.2 ALIGNMENT.

a. Turn the amplifier upside down and remove the cover on the preamplifier-attenuator box. Connect the attenuator cable to the postamplifier. Measure the dc voltage from $C320$ (see Figure 5-8) to ground. If this voltage is greater than 6.3 Vdc, interchange V301 and $V302$ (see Figure 5-5).

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Figure 5-5. Rear view of 1236 interior with the post-amplifier box raised to its vertical position.

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Figure 5-7. Interior view of 1236 post-amplifier box.

Figure 5-8. Interior view of 1236 attenuator/preamplifier box.

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b. Connect the sweep generator to the amplifier input via the 50 Ω - 400 Ω matching pad as described in step a of the preamplifier performance check. Make certain to connect the $400- Ω side of the pad directly to$ the amplifier. Connect the input of the oscilloscope to AT302 (see Figure 5-8), using the detector probe. (If the GR 1025 is used, connect the EXTERNAL RES-PONSE DETECTOR to AT302 via the detector probe.)

Connect a $100 - \Omega$ resistor between terminal #5 (see Figure 5-8) on the bandwidth switch, and ground.

c. Set the 1236 bandwidth switch to WIDE, the ATTENUATION to 60 dB, the METER SCALE switch to COMPRESSED, and the GAIN control to the middle of its adjustment range.

d. Switch the generator to the SWEEP mode and increase the generator output until the bandpass curve is displayed on the oscilloscope (vertical deflection, maximum 50 mV/cm). Adjust C301 and T301 (see Figure 5-8) for a maximally flat bandpass curve centered around 30 MHz. See Figure 5-9. (Start the T301 adjustment with the tuning slug screwed all the way in toward the threaded end of the coil form.)

30 MHz. Switch the ATTENUATION to 0 dB and adjust the generator output for a 0 -dB reading on the amplifier meter. Switch the ATTENUATION to -10 dB. The meter should read 10 ± 0.2 dB. If the reading is too low, turn the SWEEP back on and adjust L310 (see Figure 5-8) so that the peak of the curve moves slightly to the right of 30 MHz. Bring the peak back to 30 MHz by adjusting C318.

If the meter reading is too high, shift the peak to the left of the 30-MHz position with L310 and bring it back by adjusting C318.

Check the $ATTENUATION 0 dB to -10 dB step$ again. Repeat the adjustment procedure if necessary.

5.6 TROUBLE-SHOOTING.

Figure 5-9. 1236 bandpass curve centered around 30 MHz.

The 1236 I-F Amplifier can be divided into four sections. The calibration procedure (paragraph 5.5) checks these sections in the following order:

- a. Power supplies.
- b. Postamplifier.
- c. Expansion amplifier.
- d. Preamplifier.

Because the operation of each of these sections depends on the proper operation of the sections preceding it, a fault can be easily localized to one section by going through portions of the calibration procedure in the correct order. Starting with paragraph 5.5.2, proceed through paragraph $5.5.3$, $5.5.4.1$, $5.5.5.1$, and $5.5.6.1$. If one of the sections fails to check out properly, localize the trouble in that section by measuring the voltages listed in the tables of test voltages.

NOTE

The voltages given are nominal values; where no tolerance is given, a deviation of 10 percent is not necessarily abnormal. All voltages given are do unless otherwise specified. The figure reference (right-hand column) is provided for easy location of the test points.

e. Remove the signal-generator detector probe. Remove the $100 - \Omega$ resistor. Reduce the generator output.

f. Set the amplifier METER SCALE switch to NORMAL and the ATTENUATION to 30 dB. Shut off the generator SWEEP mode and set the frequency to 30 MHz. Adjust T302, L310, and C318 (see Figure 5-8) for maximum amplifier-meter deflection. After initial adjustment, do not touch T301, and repeat L310 and C318 adjustment for maximum meter deflection.

Set bandwidth switch to NARROW and adjust T303 and C311 (see Figure 5-8) for maximum meter deflection. Switch to WIDE bandwidth.

g. Connect C129 (see Figure 5-7) to the oscilloscope input. If the 1025 is used, connect C129 to the EXTERNAL RESPONSE DETECTOR jack on the sweep generator. Set the sweep generator to SWEEP and adjust $T302$, if necessary, (see Figure 5-8) to obtain a symmetrical curve around 30 MHz. Switch to the NARROW bandwidth. Again, the response curve should be symmetrical around 30 MHz. Readjust T303 and C311 if necessary.

h. Switch to the WIDE bandwidth and shut off the generator SWEEP control. Set the frequency to

*Connect a 10 k Ω , 10 W, resistor between AT528 and AT515, or between terminals #15 and #16 of SO501.

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*METER SCALE switch set to NORMAL.

*METER SCALE switch set to NORMAL. Apply 30 MHz signal to obtain meter reading between 92 and 98 percent of full scale.

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Figure 5-10. Etched-board layout for the 1236 I-F Amplifier power supplies and expansion amplifier.

NOTE

The number appearing on the etched board is the part number of the board only. The part number of the complete etched-board assembly with circuit components, is 1236-2750. The dot on the foil side at the transistor terminal indicates the collector lead.

PARTS LIST - EXPANSION AMPLIFIER

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Figure 5-12. Schematic diagram for the 1236 I-F Amplifier expansion amplifier, METER SCALE switch, and GAIN control.

PARTS LIST - POST AMPLIFIER

RESISTORS

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{R}101 \\ \text{R}103 \\ \text{R}104 \end{array}$

5905-279-5476

5905-279-3838

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Figure 5-13. Etched-board layout for the 1236 I-F Amplifier postamplifier.

NOTE

The number appearing on the etched board is the part number of the board only. The part number of the complete etched-board assembly with circuit components, is 1236-2710. The dot on the foil side at the transistor terminal indicates the collector lead.

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contacts are numbered sequentially (02, 03, 04, etc), proceeding clockwise around the section. A suffix F or R indicates that the contact is on the front or rear of the section, respectively.

Figure 5-15. Schematic diagram for the 1236 I-F Amplifier attenuator and preamplifier.

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