

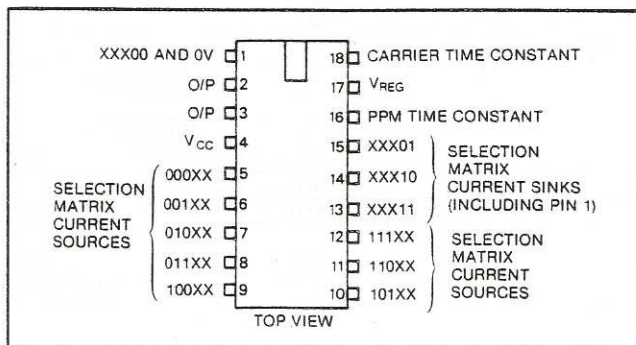
RS data

Remote control I.C.'s

A range of remote control I.C.'s consisting of one transmitter (308-073), an infra-red pre-amplifier (309-975) and five receivers, (303-826, 308-089, 309-981, 309-997 & 305-248) with individual characteristics to suit many control requirements.

The system is based on the transmission of coded P.P.M. (Pulse Position Modulation) signals over a wide variety of transmission media e.g. sound, ultrasonics, infra-red, fibre optics, cable links. Provision is made for carrier frequency generation where required to suit the medium employed. Processing of the received P.P.M. signal is performed by a discrete amplifier or for infra-red a single I.C. is available. The restored signal is passed to one, or a combination, of the five receiver I.C.'s where

Remote control transmitter Stock number 308-073
RS 490



Electrical characteristics

Test conditions (unless otherwise stated):

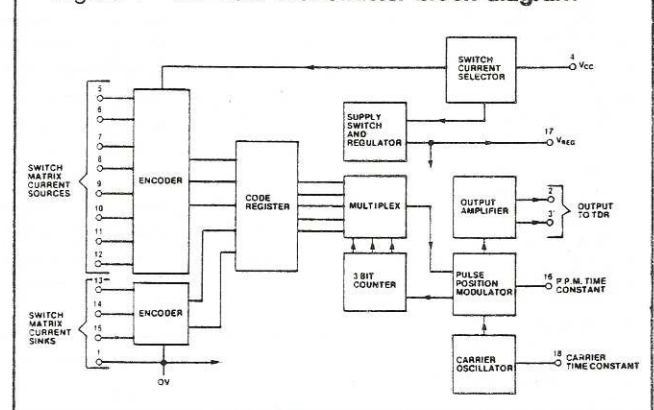
$T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ f_c (carrier frequency) = 40kHz
 $V_{CC} = +9\text{V}$ t_1 (pulse interval for a '1') = 18ms
 t_0 (pulse interval for a '0') = 27ms

an error checking system inspects the P.P.M. data before activating the appropriate output. The output functions available include parallel 4-bit binary, in either latched or momentary forms, analogue output controls and discrete outputs.

The ability of one transmitter to control a combination of different receivers enables this system to satisfy the majority of remote control applications including sound systems, light displays, machine control, security devices etc.

Printed circuit boards to suit an infra-red link are available (434-807/813/829/835).

Figure 1 RS 490 Transmitter block diagram



Absolute maximum ratings

Max. supply voltage 9.5V
 Operating voltage range, V_{CC} 7V to 9.5V
 Maximum power dissipation 600mW
 Operating temperature range -10°C to $+65^{\circ}\text{C}$
 Storage temperature range -55°C to $+125^{\circ}\text{C}$

| Characteristic | Pin | Value | | | Units | Conditions |
|--|------|-------|------|----------|---------------|------------------------|
| | | Min. | Typ. | Max. | | |
| Supply voltage | 4 | 7 | 9 | 9.5 | V | |
| Operating supply current | 4 | | 8 | 16 | mA | $V_{CC} = 9.5\text{V}$ |
| Standby supply current | 4 | | | 30 | μA | |
| Stabilised voltage | 17 | 4.3 | 4.6 | 4.9 | V | |
| Output current available | 17 | | | 1 | mA | |
| Output voltage swing | 2, 3 | 1 | | V_{CC} | V | Unloaded |
| Output current | 2, 3 | | | 5 | mA | Peak value |
| External switch resistance | | | | 1 | k Ω | |
| External switch closure time | | 6 | | | ms | |
| External carrier oscillator resistor required, R_1 | 18 | 20 | 40 | 80 | k Ω | $C_1 = 680\text{p}$ |
| External P.P.M. resistor R_2 required | 16 | 15 | 30 | 100 | k Ω | $C_2 = 680\text{n}$ |
| Ratio t_0/t_1 | 2, 3 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.6 | | |
| Pulse width, t_p | 2, 3 | 2 | 3 | 4 | ms | |
| Inter word gap, $t_g \equiv 'S'$ | 2, 3 | 50 | 54 | 58 | ms | |

Remote control receivers

RS 928

Stock numbers 309-997

RS 929

305-248

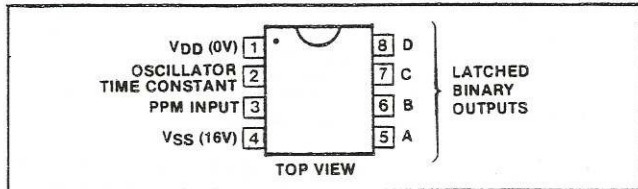
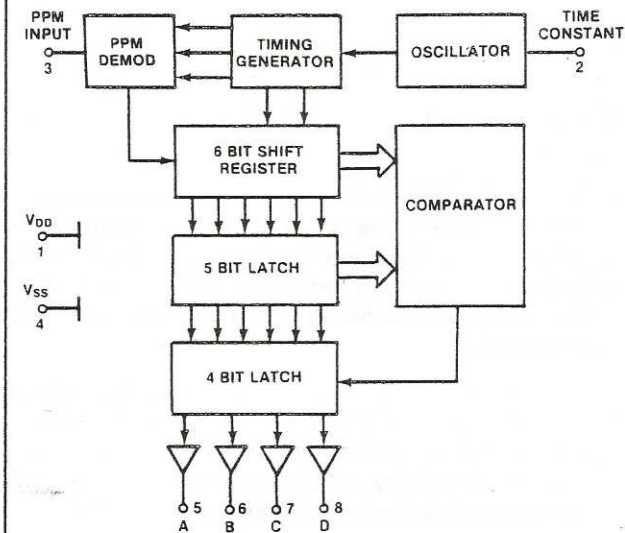


Figure 4 RS 928 & 929 Block diagram



Absolute maximum ratings

 V_{SS} supply and inputs w.r.t. V_{DD} — -0.3V to +25V

Storage temperature — -55°C to +125°C

Operating temperature ambient — -10°C to +65°C

Electrical characteristics

Test conditions (unless otherwise stated):

 $V_{SS} = +16V$ $V_{DD} = 0V$ $T_{amb} = +25^{\circ}C$

| Characteristic | Pin | Value | | | Units | Conditions |
|--|---------|----------------------|------|----------------------------|-------------------|--|
| | | Min. | Typ. | Max. | | |
| PPM input Logic '0' level Logic '1' level Input pulse width | 3 | +15 V_{DD} 1 | | +16 +10 22 t_{osc} | V V μs | t_{osc} = oscillator time constant (see receiver and oscillator section) |
| Oscillator Timing Frequency | 2 | 15 | 4k | 150k | Hz | Typical timing components 33nF to V_{SS} 47k Ω to V_{DD} |
| Variation w.r.t. V_{SS} | | | 1 | | %/V | |
| Latched binary output Logic '0' output current Output leakage in logic '1' state | 5,6,7,8 | 5 | | | mA μA | 3k Ω resistor to V_{DD} |
| Current Consumption V_{SS} Supply voltage | 4 | 3 +14 | 4 | 5 +18 | mA V | Normal conditions of use |

Remote control receivers

RS 926

Stock numbers 309-981

RS 927

303-826

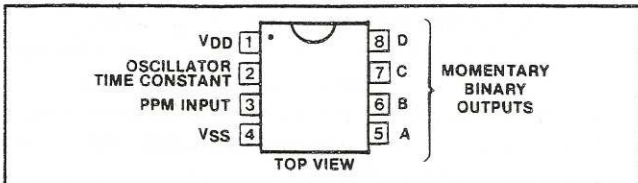
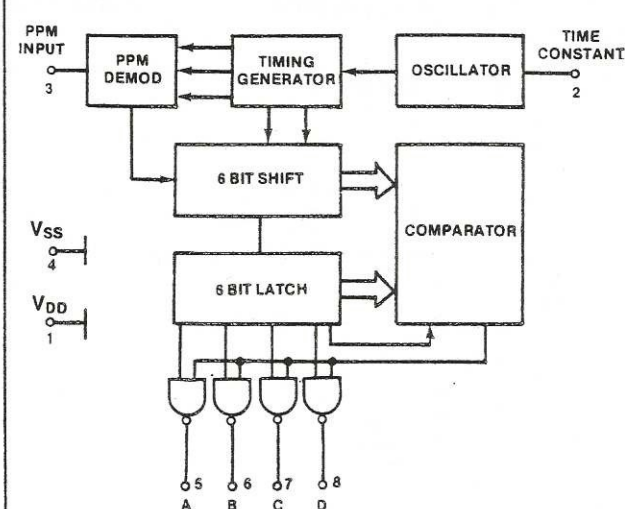


Figure 5 RS 926 & 927 Block diagram



Absolute maximum ratings

 V_{SS} supply and inputs w.r.t. V_{DD} — -3V to +25V

Storage temperature — -55°C to +125°C

Operating temperature ambient — 0°C to +65°C

Electrical characteristics

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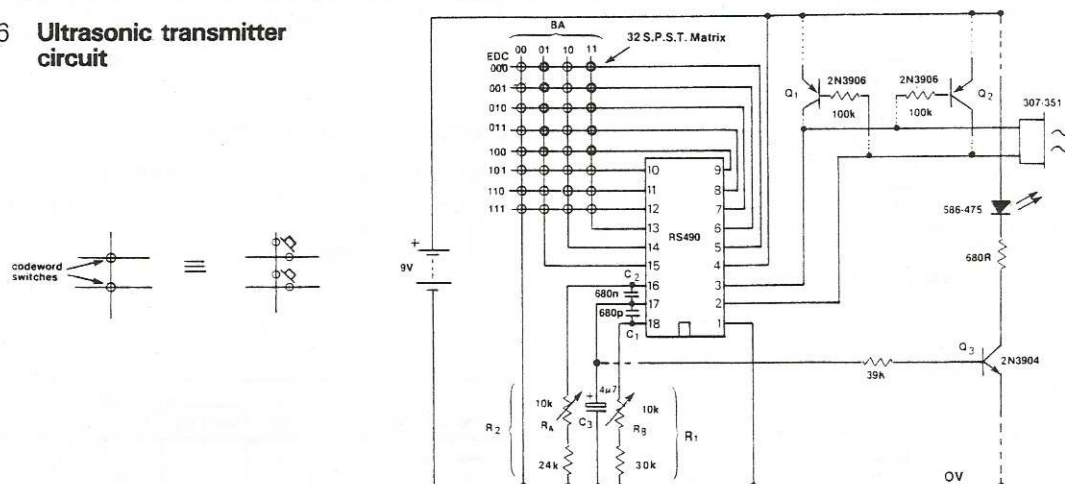
 $V_{SS} = +16V$ $T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}C$

| Characteristic | Pin | Value | | | Units | Conditions |
|---|--------------------|----------------------|------|----------------------------|---------------------|--|
| | | Min. | Typ. | Max. | | |
| PPM input Input logic level high Input logic level low Input pulse width | 3 3 3 | +15 V_{DD} 1 | | +16 +10 22 t_{osc} | V V μsec | t_{osc} = oscillator time constant (see receiver oscillator section) |
| Oscillator Time constant Oscillator frequency | 2 | 15 | 4k | 150k | Hz | Typical timing components: 33nF to V_{SS} 22k + 50k variable to V_{DD} |
| Variation w.r.t. V_{SS} | | | 1 | | %/V | |
| A, B, C, D Output current | 5,6,7,8 | 5 | | | mA | 3k Ω resistor to V_{DD} (Output ON) |
| Operating voltage range | 4 | 12 | 14 | 18 | V | |
| Current consumption A, B, C, D | 4 | 2 | 3 | 4 | mA | no load |
| Output voltage high Output device leakage (Output OFF) | 5,6,7,8 5,6,7,8 | 14 | | V_{SS} 1 | V μA | R_L 3k to V_{DD} |

RS 490 Transmitter (ultrasonic)

The internal structure of the RS 490 remote control I.C. is illustrated in Fig. 1 and Fig. 6 shows the complete circuit of an Ultrasonic Transmitter.

Figure 6 Ultrasonic transmitter circuit



Thirty-two single pole momentary switches are used to programme the transmitter into producing a pulse position coded signal. The components R_1 and C_1 define the carrier frequency according to Eqt. 1.

$$f \approx \frac{1}{C_1 R_1} \text{ Hz} \dots \text{Eq. 1} \quad \begin{array}{l} C_1 \text{ in F} \quad 0 \leq f \leq 200 \text{ kHz} \\ R_1 \text{ in } \Omega \quad 20 \text{ k}\Omega \leq R_1 \leq 80 \text{ k}\Omega \end{array}$$

The components employed in Fig. 6 allow adjustment of the carrier frequency about 40kHz which is the approximate resonant frequency of the RS Ultrasonic Transducer 307-351.

R_2 and C_2 select the modulation rate according to Eqt. 2.

$$t_0 \approx 1.4 C_2 R_2 \text{ sec} \dots \text{Eq. 2}$$

t_0 = time for a 'O' interval (see later)

$$R_2 \text{ in } \Omega \quad 15 \text{ k}\Omega \leq R_2 \leq 100 \text{ k}\Omega$$

$$C_2 \text{ in F}$$

$$1 \text{ bit/sec} \leq t_0 \text{ rate} \leq 10 \text{ kbit/sec}$$

The capacitor C_3 is a decoupling capacitor for the internal voltage regulator used to provide a constant voltage for the two CR networks. The regulator voltage on pin 17 is not established until a codeword switch has been closed.

The RS 490 is capable of driving the RS Ultrasonic Transmitter directly from pins 2 & 3 providing an effective range of $\approx 8\text{m}$. An increase in range up to $\approx 10\text{m}$ is possible by employing active pull ups Q_1 and Q_2 shown with dotted connections in Fig. 6.

To indicate transmitter operation the voltage appearing on pin 17 at switch closure can be used to drive an NPN transistor feeding an L.E.D. and this modification is shown with dashed connections in Fig. 6.

Because the standby current of the RS 490 is very low ($\approx 6\mu\text{A}$) rising to about 8mA when transmitting, the power requirements can be satisfied by a PP3 battery. Using the L.E.D. indicator modification shown the operating current will be approximately 20mA.

RS 490 Transmitter (infra-red)

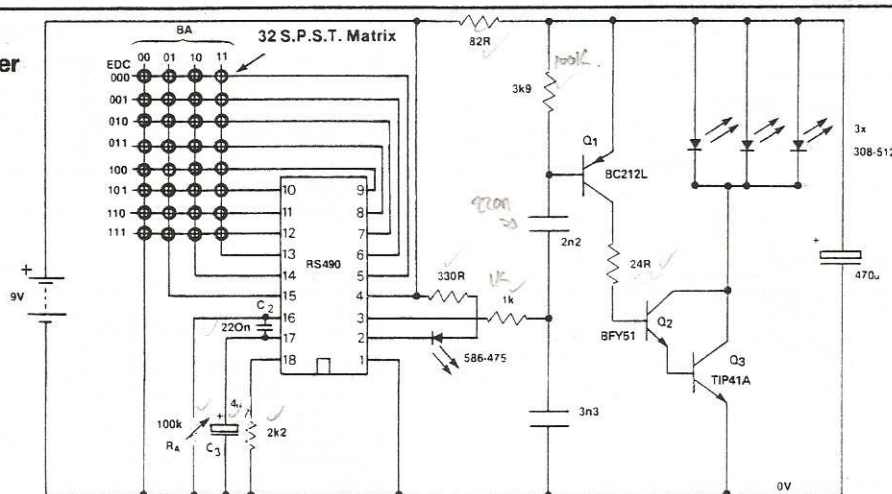
Operating a remote control system on an infra-red link offers some advantages over the previously discussed ultrasonic mode. The important gains are less multipath interference, lower spurious radiation, a higher modulation rate capability and more robust transducers. Fig. 7 shows the complete circuit of an Infra-red Transmitter.

The modulation rate formula by Eqt. 2 is applicable to

the infra-red transmitter circuit. A visual indication of transmitter operation can be provided by employing the unused output on pin 2 to drive an L.E.D. via a pull up resistor as shown in Fig. 7.

The programming of the infra-red transmitter is identical to the ultrasonic system in employing 32 S.P.S.T. switches to produce a pulse position coded signal. No carrier frequency is required by the infra-red transducers hence C_1 is omitted and a 2.2k Ω resistor substituted for R_1 .

Figure 7 Infra-red transmitter circuit



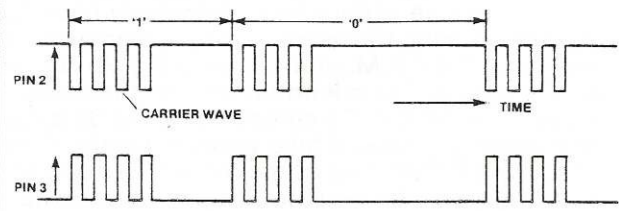
The positive pulses appearing on pin 3 are amplified by Q_1 , Q_2 and Q_3 to provide high current pulses to supply 3 RS Infra-red sources, 308-512.

All wiring to the transmitters should be short with thick conductors and the $470\mu\text{F}$ electrolytic mounted close to minimise lead inductance. A suitable p.c.b. (434-807) is available.

RS 490 Output and coding

Fig. 8a shows the output voltage waveforms from pins 2 and 3 with respect to 0V. A carrier wave is shown as it depicts a typical output for the ultrasonic system. The carrier wave frequency is shown lower than normal for clarity. The RS 490 transmits a codeword as a group of 6 carrier or d.c. pulses (depending on the system being used) continuously for as long as a programme switch is operated. The minimum switch closing time is 6ms and the transmitter will transmit until the end of a codeword

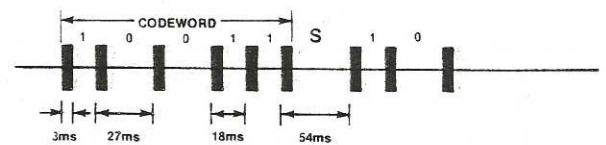
Figure 8a P.P.M. output showing ultrasonic carrier frequency



even if the switch is released during a word. On completion of the word the device reverts to standby mode. Each of the five intervals between these pulses may take up 2 possible values, a short interval corresponding to a '1' or a long interval corresponding to a '0'. Fig. 8b shows the timing relationship between the carrier pulses '1' and '0'. At the end of each word a synchronising interval 'S' is generated to define a codeword ending. The transmitter maintains a fixed relationship between the '1', '0' and 'S' intervals of 2:3:6. Also the width of the carrier pulse is approximately 1/6th of a '1' interval or 1/3:2 on the above ratio scale. From the possible combinations of the 5 bit codeword up to 2^5 or 32 different words can be generated.

A carrier burst of 3ms duration is shown in Fig. 8b as an example of the timing relationships.

Figure 8b Ultrasonic transmitter output (for a '1' period of 18ms)



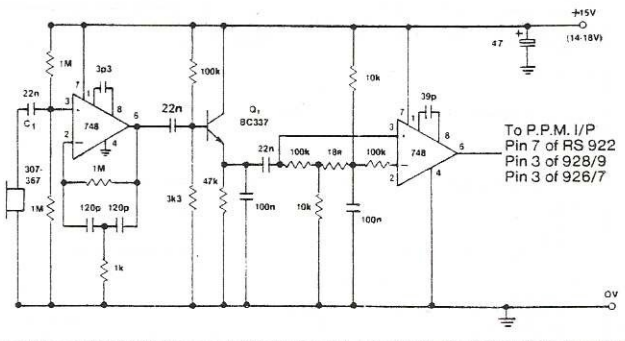
Amplifiers

Receiver amplifier (ultrasonic)

At the receiving end of the ultrasonic link a gain and bandwidth defining system will be required before the incoming signal is suitable for reception by the remote control receivers.

Fig. 9 shows a suitable two stage amplifier designed for receiving signals from the RS Ultrasonic Transducer, 307-367.

Figure 9 Ultrasonic receiver amplifier



RS 480 Receiver amplifier (infra-red)

For infra-red links the RS 480 infra-red pre-amplifier i.c. is employed as an interface between the RS High Power infra-red sensor, 308-506 and any of the remote control I.C.'s. The gain of this stage is adjustable via the $100\text{k}\Omega$ pot on pin 8, maximum gain being achieved with the pot adjusted to minimum resistance.

The high input impedance ($20\text{M}\Omega$) and high gain (100dB max) associated with this device does make it susceptible to extraneous noise pickup. Good electrical

screening, short connecting leads and good supply decoupling is recommended to avoid circuit instability.

A suitable p.c.b. (434-829) is available.

The optical responses of the source and sensor are shown in Fig. 11. The broad spectral response of the sensor makes it susceptible to interference from visible light which could produce sensor saturation from strong sunlight or high output fluorescent gas tubes. Placing an optical filter in front of the sensor can effectively reduce the system bandwidth to exclude visible light sources. The responses of the two Kodak filters type 87 and 87C are shown in Fig. 11 and are suitable for limiting the bandwidth of the RS sensor. These filter materials are available from most photographic suppliers.

Figure 10 Infra-red receiver amplifier

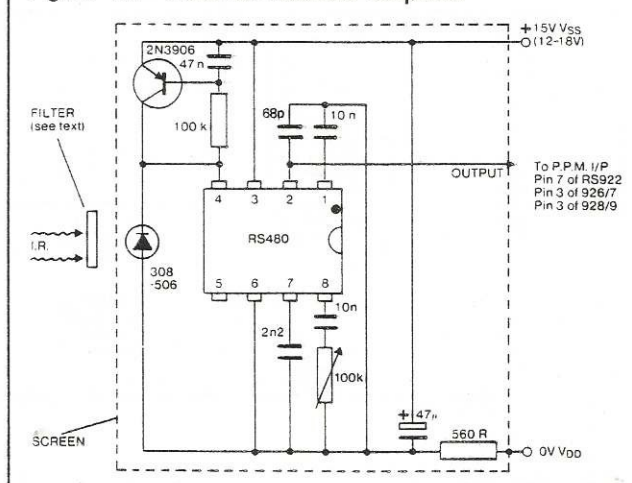
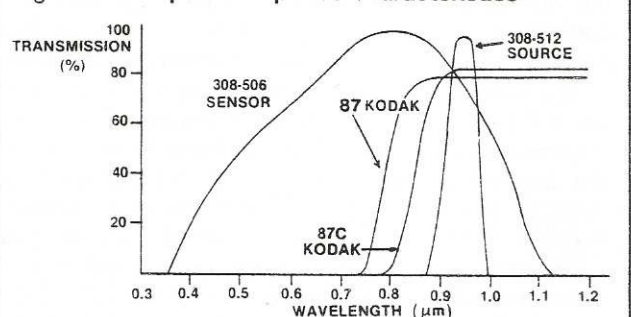


Figure 11 Optical response characteristics



Remote control receivers: introduction

All of the five remote control receiver I.C.'s have similar signal reception and decoding circuits. The receiver differences are fundamentally confined to the number of P.P.M. codewords to which each responds and the different output functions available.

A general discussion of the circuit operation common to all receivers is given below and each receiver's capabilities are covered later.

Receiver oscillator

After processing by the receiver amplifier the processed P.P.M. signal is transferred to the P.P.M. input of the remote control receiver I.C.

An internal oscillator uses the external components R_1 , R_2 & C_1 (see Figs. 13 & 15) to generate a frequency in accordance with Eq't 3.

$$f_{osc} = \frac{1}{0.15 C_1 R_T} \text{ Hz} \dots \text{Eq't 3}$$

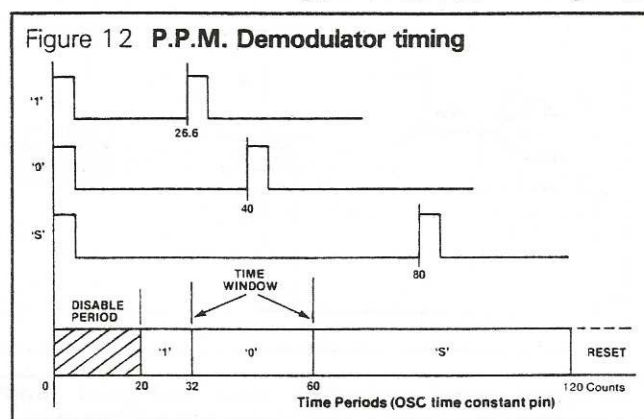
C_1 in F

$25k\Omega \leq R_1 \leq 200k\Omega$ R_T is the total resistance of R_1 and R_2 in Ω

The set frequency of this oscillator is dependent on the received P.P.M. rate from the RS 490 transmitter. The importance of this setting is apparent when the internal operation of the receiver is considered.

Internal operation

Whenever a P.P.M. pulse is received by the receiver an internal counter is reset. This counter defines timing windows for the following pulses as shown in Fig. 12.



After receipt of the first P.P.M. pulse the counter is reset and disabled for 20 periods of the internal oscillator frequency. This is to reduce the possibility of pulse echoes from multipath reflections between the transmitter and receiver upsetting the correct transmission. If a pulse is received after the counter reaches 20 periods the internal logic examines the spacing or time interval between the receipt of the first pulse and the second and depending on this interval assigns the value '0' or '1' to the pulse spacing. This second pulse again resets the counter and disables it for 20 periods before repeating the above process with the next pulse. In this way the receiver reconstructs the transmitted P.P.M. code, the receipt of an 'S' interval defining the end of the codeword. On receipt of 'S' the receiver verifies that 6 pulses have been received before accepting the code.

The receiver stores this code while receiving another set of P.P.M. pulses. At the end of the second codeword a comparison is made; if the codewords are the same the data is accepted and passed on to a decoder to produce the output function defined by the code; if they are different the first codeword is rejected and the second code used as a reference for comparison with the next code received and no change in an output function occurs. This sequential codeword comparison coupled

with P.P.M. and time window checking provides the system with a high degree of noise immunity against producing an incorrect output.

As can be seen from Fig 12 for correct interpretation of the transmitted code each pulse interval for a '0' or '1' must lie within the timing windows defined. This is achieved by setting the 'on chip' oscillator so that 40 periods at the oscillator time constant pin are equal to a '0' interval received at the P.P.M. input. This places a '0' interval at approximately the centre of the '0' time window hence providing some allowance for oscillator drift both in the transmitter and receiver.

P.P.M. rate selection

The minimum time taken for any receiver to respond to a transmitter command is twice the time to transmit the appropriate codeword, because of the error checking logic. This delay is dependent on the P.P.M. rate chosen at the transmitter and in the example shown in Fig. 8b the receiver will respond to the code 10011 in a minimum time of 324 milliseconds. For the discrete outputs this delay is usually of little significance, however, for each step of an analogue output two codewords have to be received. Taking the 'analogue 1+' command 10100 and using the P.P.M. rate shown in Fig. 8b one word is 171ms long. The minimum time for the receiver to respond is 342ms. To complete all the 32 steps of 'analogue 1-' would take approximately 11 secs. Hence the P.P.M. rate at the transmitter end of the ultrasonic link should be chosen to provide the desired full range analogue output sweep time.

Using the RS Ultrasonic Transducers the P.P.M. rate is limited by the rise time of the transmitter ($t_r \approx 2ms$).

The recommended P.P.M. rate is 37bit/sec corresponding to a t_0 time of 27ms as shown in Fig. 8b. This rate can be increased to approximately 74bit/sec, a t_0 time of 13ms, with some loss of range caused by the transducer rise time limitation. The spread in the characteristics of the transducers may increase or reduce this figure.

The infra-red system can be operated up to the maximum P.P.M. rate of the transmitter i.e. 10kbit/sec.

Each receiver I.C. responds to a specific set of codewords from the RS 490 transmitter. A description of each receiver type is given below.

I.C. Receivers

RS 922 Receiver

This device accepts 21 of the transmitted codewords. The command set and output functions for each pin are given in Tables 1 & 2 respectively.

The RS 922 receiver features a parallel 4-bit latched binary output with 10 output codes, 3 independent analogue outputs and 3 other digital outputs.

Table 1 Basic 21 command set for RS 922 receiver

| Transmitter code | Function | Programme O/P's D C B A |
|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| EDCBA | | 0 0 0 0 |
| 0000X | Programme 1 | 0 0 0 1 |
| 00C1X | Programme 2 | 0 0 1 0 |
| 0010X | Programme 3 | 0 0 1 1 |
| 0011X | Programme 4 | 0 1 0 0 |
| 0100X | Programme 5 | 0 1 0 1 |
| 0101X | Programme 6 | 0 1 1 0 |
| 0110X | Programme 7 | 0 1 1 1 |
| 0111X | Programme 8 | 1 0 0 0 |
| 1000X | Programme 9 | 1 0 0 1 |
| 1001X | Programme 10 | |
| 10100 | Analogue 1 + | |
| 10101 | Programme Step + | |
| 10110 | Analogue 2 + | |
| 10111 | Analogue 3 + | |
| 11000 | Standby | |
| 11001 | Toggle O/P (Analogue 2) | |
| 11011 | Normalise | |
| 11100 | Analogue 1 - | |
| 11101 | Programme Step - | |
| 11110 | Analogue 2 - | |
| 11111 | Analogue 3 - | |

N.B. LOGIC CONVENTION

RS922

Logic "0" — output transistor ON

— pulls output to V_{ss}

Logic "1" — output transistor OFF

ie: **NEGATIVE LOGIC**

Receiver

Additional circuits

Fig. 16 illustrates a method of employing one RS 490 transmitter to control two independent receivers. The P.P.M. rate for one receiver is selected by the potentiometer R_2 . The second receiver should be adjusted to receive the P.P.M. rate defined by the parallel combination of R_2 and R_3 . The two different P.P.M. rates can be chosen such that data accepted by one receiver is outside the timing windows defined by the oscillator time constant of the other. The P.P.M. rates should be within the limitations of the transducer, only one receiver amplifier being required to directly feed the P.P.M. inputs on the two receivers.

Ultrasonic control system

Transmitter

Activate the switch controlling transmitter code 0000X and monitor the output waveform of the transmitter I.C. appearing at pins 2 & 3. Expanding one of the pulses displayed, adjust R_B to produce a carrier period of approximately $24.5\mu s$ corresponding to a frequency of 40.8kHz. Display several pulses of the transmitter code and by adjusting R_A alter the time interval for a '0' to provide the required P.P.M. rate (see Fig. 8b).

Receiver

B) Re-adjust R_B controlling the carrier frequency on the transmitter circuit to provide a maximum signal at the P.P.M. I/P of the receiver I.C. Finally monitor the oscillator waveform on the osc time constant pin of the receiver I.C. and adjust R_1 so that the periodic time is 1/40th of the time of a '0' interval on the received P.P.M.

Setting up procedure

Transmitter

The potentiometer R_A shown in Fig. 7 should be adjusted for the required P.P.M. rate, following the same procedure outlined for the ultrasonic system

T.T.L. interface

Fig. 17 shows a simple interface between logic level outputs of the remote control receiver I.C.'s, to standard T.T.L. inputs. This circuit also inverts the logic levels, a logic 1 from the receiver producing a logic 0 T.T.L. output.

Figure 17 T.T.L. Interface

