

- **CH 1 - CH 4 Scale Factors** - Numerical deflection factors and supplementary symbols. CH 3 and CH 4 deflection factors are shown in volts. The supplementary symbols for CH 1 and CH 2 are as follows:

- > Variable out of detent
- ⏏ Input grounded
- V Dc coupling
- ~ Ac coupling

- **Indicators** - Symbolic indicators of oscilloscope modes.

- + ADD vertical mode
- ↓ CH 2 INVERT mode
- BW 20 MHz BW Limit
- H HOLD-OFF is not set at minimum

50Ω OVERLOAD CH 1 or CH 2 input power limit has been exceeded

- **A and B SWP RATES** - Calibrated A and B SEC/DIV scale factors. With the SEC/DIV switches unlocked (INTENS, ALT, or B display), only the B sweep rate is affected by the SEC/DIV VARIABLE control.

TRIGGER OPERATION

- **Trigger Mode Buttons** - When held in, automatically increment (move up or down) the associated trigger mode.

Trigger Modes

AUTO LVL - Range of TRIGGER LEVEL control is limited within signal peaks. Range limits are reestablished when:

- triggering ceases,
- the TRIGGER LEVEL control is moved to either extreme,

or

- Upper MODE button is pushed when Mode is AUTO LVL

The initially established level is near the midpoint between signal peaks except as follows:

- If the LEVEL control is set near the CCW limit, the trigger level is set just above the negative signal peak.
- If the control is set near the CW limit, the level is set just below the positive peak.

AUTO - Sweep freeruns in absence of trigger signal. Trigger level changes only when LEVEL control is moved.

NORM - Sweep runs when trigger requirements are met. With input coupling of the selected trigger source at GND, sweep freeruns.

SGL SEQ - Sweep is triggerable once for each selected trace. READY is illuminated until final trace is completed, then readout and scale-illumination flash.

ACCURACY ASSURANCE TECHNIQUES

- **DC Balance** - Minimizes trace shift when changing VOLTS/DIV, and maintains trigger level readout accuracy.

1. Set both CH 1 and CH 2 input coupling to AC.
2. Push both CH 1 and CH 2 upper input coupling buttons.

- **Vertical Amplitude Verification**

1. With A and B SEC/DIV set at 1 ms (knobs locked), use the Δ V cursors to measure the amplitude of the CALIBRATOR signal on each of the four vertical channels. CH 1 and CH 2 should measure between 388 mV and 412 mV, while CH 3 and CH 4 should be between 360 mV and 440 mV.

- **Timing Verification**

1. With the CALIBRATOR signal displayed on CH 1, set the VOLTS/DIV control to 100 mV.
2. Verify Horizontal Timing using table below.

HORIZONTAL TIMING		
SEC/DIV	Display	
1 ms w/X10 MAG	1/2 cycle/10 div	
100 ms - 100 ns	5 cycles/10 div	
50 ns	2 cycles/8 div	
20 ns	1 cycle/10 div	
10 ns	5 ns (2465B only)	proportional stretching of CALIBRATOR signal
5 ns (2465B only)		

3. Using the Δ t cursors and the B Delayed displays, verify that the measured intervals defined by the center four cycles of CALIBRATOR display (from 100 ms/div - 100 ns/div) are respectively within 0.6% and 0.4% of the graticule measurement.

- **Probe Compensation**

1. Obtain a four-division, 1 kHz CALIBRATOR display on both CH 1 and CH 2 using the probes to be compensated (VOLTS/DIV = 100 mV, A and B SEC/DIV = 1 ms).
2. Adjust the probe-compensation caps for optimum (flat) front corner.
3. Probes used on CH 3 or CH 4 should be compensated on CH 1 or CH 2, then moved to channel of use.
- **CH 2 Delay Adjust** - Match vertical delays, including probes.
 1. Connect both CH 1 and CH 2 inputs to a fast-rise pulse generator. Use the probes that will be used for measurements.
2. Set A and B SEC/DIV controls to 5 ns (10 ns for 2445B).
3. With both channels displayed, vertically superimpose the signals.
4. Pull out the B SEC/DIV knob and push in the X10 MAG button.

5. Adjust the Δ control until the two signals are superimposed horizontally.

AUTOMATIC MEASUREMENT ACCURACY FACTORS

Signals without narrow peaks or spikes and without noise will be measured more accurately than their counterparts with high overshoot, fast spikes or glitches, and significant noise present. Jitter (time variations among cycles) also makes accurate measurements more difficult. Noise degrades the accuracy of any measurement.

Pulse-width measurements between identical amplitudes on opposite slopes are less accurate than Frequency measurements.

Rise- and fall-time measurements tend to be less accurate and to have more variation due to small variations in the triggering points. Rise and fall times are measured on a peak-to-peak basis; therefore any overshoot or undershoot tends to change the measurement result. Fast overshoot or undershoot will not be accurately measured by the measurement system, so results will differ from those obtained manually.

Example of Best-Case Measurement

Frequency measurement depends on signal peaks and their consistent amplitude. The fact that signal peaks may be of lower amplitude at 500 MHz than they were at 300 MHz is not particularly significant as long as the instrument can detect them. Frequency can be measured with about 0.5% accuracy using automatic measurements.

Voltage Measurements are accurate to 1 MHz.

Example of Worst-Case Measurement

Imagine a triangle wave of 2 V amplitude pk-to-pk, 1 MHz frequency, with 0.2 V of noise present. This signal has a 1 μsec period. With 0.2 V of noise, jitter could be 0.2 V/(2V/0.5 μsec) = 50 ns per transition, or 100 ns total per cycle. In this case, frequency measurement accuracy could not be better than 10% even before considering the measurement system.

ACCURACY SPECIFICATIONS FOR AUTOMATIC MEASUREMENTS (+ 15°C to + 35°C)

Period
0.9% + 500 ps.

Volts
(5% + 5 mV + 1 LSD) to 1 MHz.

Rise Time, Fall Time
5% + 3 ns (for transition times greater than 10 ns). These rise and fall times are based on measurements at 20% and 80% extrapolated to 10% and 90%. Pulse overshoot, undershoot <5% of peak-to-peak signal.

Time A-B (from % to %)
0.5% + 3 ns (add 0.5 ns if measuring from Ch 1 to Ch 2) + 5% of start event and 5% of stop event transition times.

Time A-B (between two Voltages)
0.5% + 3 ns (add 0.5 ns if measuring from Ch 1 to Ch 2) + 5% of start event and 5% of stop event transition times. Voltages must not be within 10% of either peak.

Pulse Width
0.9% + 1 ns (transition times <10% of measured interval).

Specifications above based on noise less than 0.5% of Peak-to-Peak input signal.

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Reference

