



MAINTENANCE MANUAL

29-42 MHz & 35-50 MHz SYNTHESIZED RANGR

TWO WAY FM RADIO

SERVICE SECTION

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DESCRIPTION

This section contains the information required to service the radio. Included are disassembly procedures, and procedures for replacing transistors, Integrated Circuits (IC's) and chip components. This section also includes alignment procedures and troubleshooting information (see Table of Contents).

INITIAL ADJUSTMENT

After the radio has been installed (as described in the Installation Manual), the following adjustments should be made by a certified electronics technician.

TRANSMITTER ADJUSTMENT

The adjustment for the transmitter includes measuring the forward and reflected power, and setting the transmitter to rated power output. Then, measure the frequency and modulation and record these measurements for future reference. For the complete transmitter adjustment, refer to the Alignment Procedure (see Table of Contents).

RECEIVER ADJUSTMENT

No adjustment for the input circuit is required. For complete receiver adjustment, refer to the Receiver Alignment Procedure (see Table of Contents).

MAINTENANCE

PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

To facilitate troubleshooting of problems on the printed circuit board assemblies, the following service accessories are available:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PART NUMBER</u>
EXTENSION CABLE 22 CONDUCTOR	B19/6JJFD00057
EXTENSION CABLE 10 CONDUCTOR	B19/6JJFD00058
EXTENSION CABLE 10 CONDUCTOR	B19/6JJFD00059
EXTENSION CABLE 4 CONDUCTOR	B19/6JJFD00060
EXTENSION CABLE 6 CONDUCTOR	B19/6JJFD00061
COAXIAL CABLE	B19/6JJFD00062
COAXIAL CABLE	B19/6JJFD00063
TUNING TOOL	B19/MPTC00448

To ensure high operating efficiency and to prevent mechanical and electrical failures from interrupting system operations, routine checks should be made of all mechanical and electrical parts at regular intervals. This preventive maintenance should include the checks as listed in Table 1 Maintenance Checks.

MAINTENANCE CHECKS	INTERVAL	
	6 Months	As Required
CONNECTIONS - Ground connections and connections to the voltage source should be periodically checked for tightness. Loose or poor connections to the power source will cause excessive voltage drops and faulty operation. When ground connections are not made directly to the battery, the connection from the battery to vehicle chassis must be checked for low impedance. A high impedance may cause excessive voltage drops and alternator noise problems.	X	
ELECTRICAL SYSTEM - Check the voltage regulator and alternator or generator periodically to keep the electrical system within safe and economical operating limits. Overvoltage is indicated when the battery loses water rapidly. Usage of 1 or 2 ounces of water per cell per week is acceptable for batteries in continuous operation. A weak battery will often cause excessive noise or faulty operation.		X
MECHANICAL INSPECTION - Since mobile units are subject to constant shock and vibration, check for loose plugs, nuts, screws and parts to make sure that nothing is working loose. Be sure that all screws are properly torqued.	X	
ANTENNA - The antenna, antenna base and all contacts should be kept clean and free from dirt or corrosion. If the antennas or its base should become coated or poorly grounded, loss of radiation and a weak signal will result.	X	
ALIGNMENT - The transmitter and receiver meter readings should be checked periodically, and the alignment "touched up" when necessary. Refer to applicable Alignment Procedure and troubleshooting sheet for typical voltage readings.		X
FREQUENCY CHECK - Check transmitter frequency and deviation, as required by FCC. Normally, these checks are made when the unit is first put into operation, after the first six months and once a year thereafter.		X

TABLE 1 - MAINTENANCE CHECKS

DISASSEMBLY PROCEDURE

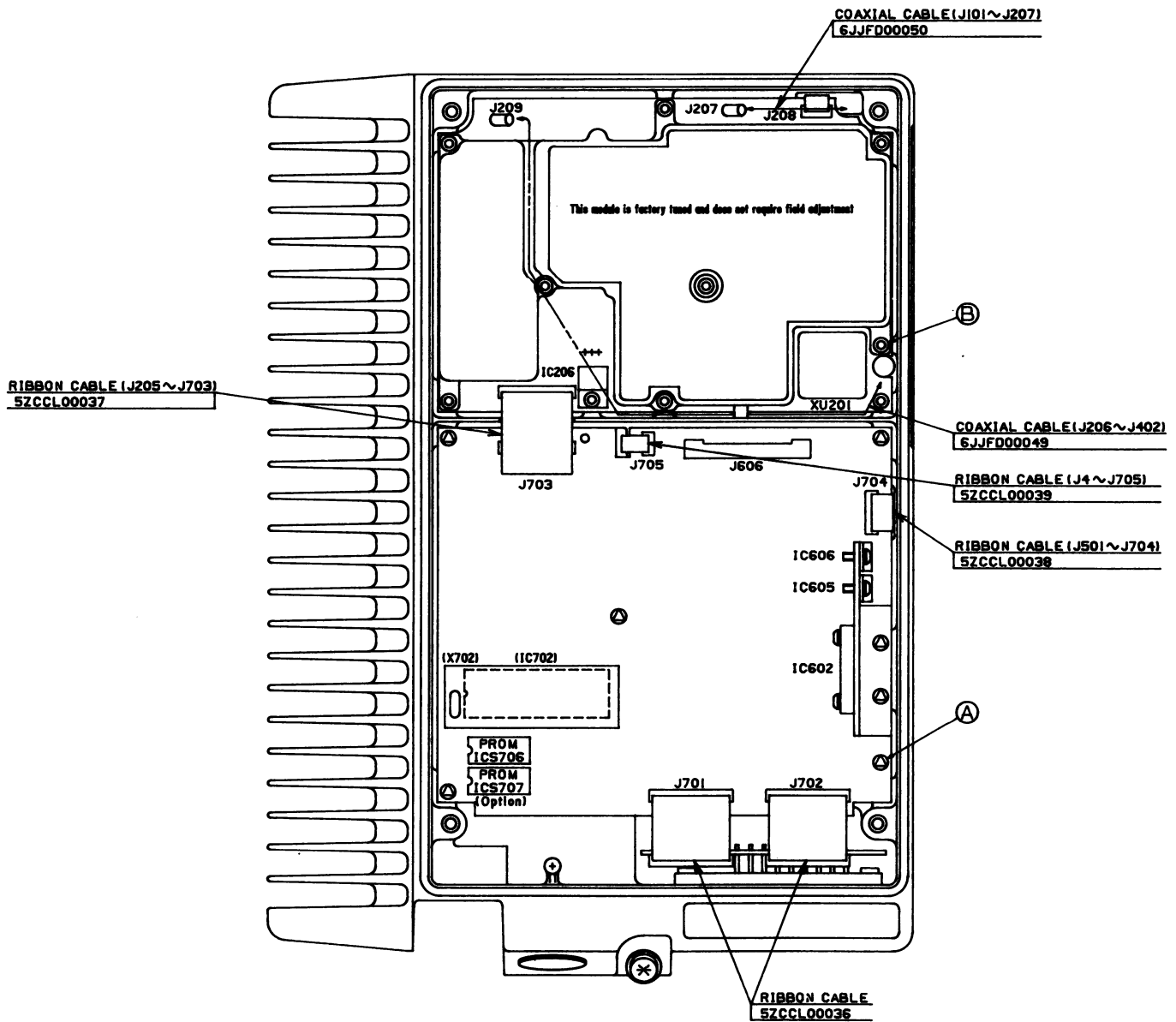
To gain access to the unit for servicing:

1. Remove the lock screw on the front of the radio using No. 30 TORX[®] driver.
2. Pull the radio forward and remove from the mounting bracket.

To remove the printed wire boards:

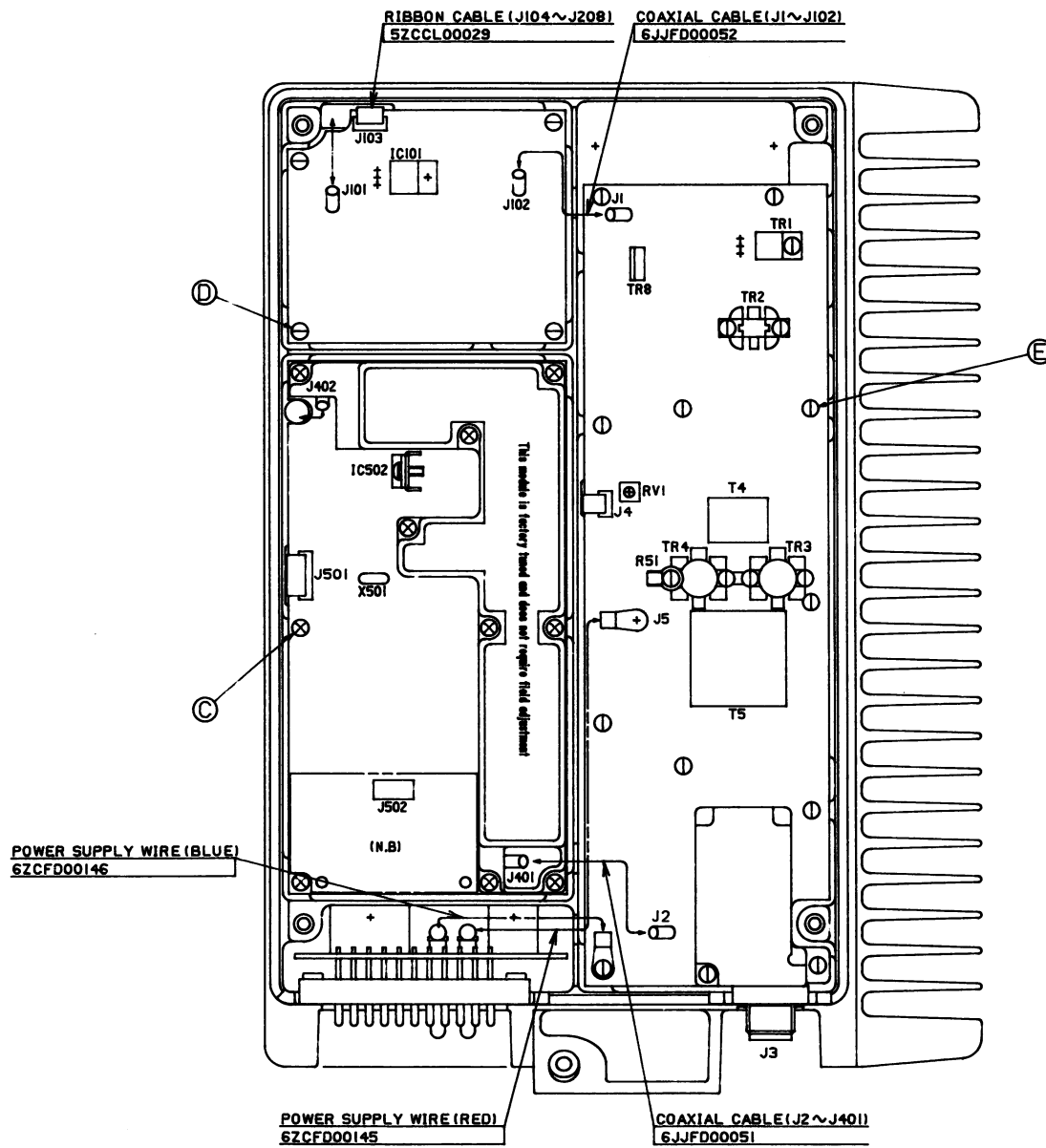
1. Each of the boards may be removed after removing the radio cover, the cables and the retaining screws securing the board to the main frame.
2. The cables and the screws to be removed are listed in Table 2.

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Disassembly-Top View

Figure 1



Disassembly-Bottom View

Figure 2

Board name	Cables to be removed	Screws to be removed
System Control board	Five ribbon cables	Seven screws A (Figure 1)
Synthesizer board	Two coaxial cables and two ribbon cables	Ten screws B (Figure 1)
PA board	Two power supply wires (red and blue), two coaxial cables, one ribbon cable	19 screws E (Figure 2)
Tx Exciter board	Two coaxial cables, one ribbon cable	Four screws D (Figure 2)
Rx board	Two coaxial cables and one ribbon cable	Ten screws C (Figure 2)

TABLE 2 - DISASSEMBLY PROCEDURE

To replace the printed wire boards.

1. Perform preceding procedures in reverse order.

CAUTION

After securing the radio, it is important that the screws securing the covers be fully secured. This ensures that the RF shielding gaskets make good contact and that the radio performance specifications are not compromised.

PA TRANSISTOR REPLACEMENT

WARNING

The RF Power Transistors used in the transmitter contain Beryllium Oxide, a TOXIC substance. If the ceramic or other encapsulation is opened, crushed, broken or abraded, the dust may be hazardous if inhaled. Use care in replacing transistors of this type.

To replace the PA RF transistors:

1. Unsolder one lead at a time with a 50 watt soldering iron. Use a scribe or X-acto® knife to hold the lead away from the printed circuit board until the solder cools. Remove the mounting screws.
2. Lift out the transistor. Remove any old solder from the printed circuit board with a vacuum desoldering tool. Special care should be taken to prevent damage to the printed circuit board runs because part of the matching network is included in the base and collector runs.
3. Trim the new transistor leads (if required) to the lead length of the removed transistor.
4. Apply a coat of silicone grease to the transistor mounting surface. Place the transistor in the mounting hole. Align the leads as shown on the Outline Diagram. Then replace the transistor mounting screws using moderate torque (9.4 kg.cm).
5. Solder the leads to the printed circuit pattern. Start at the inner edge of mounting hole and solder the remaining length of transistor lead to the board. Take care not to use excessive heat that causes the printed wire board runs

to separate from the board. Check for shorts and solder bridges before applying power.

CAUTION

Failure to solder the transistor leads as directed may result in the generation of RF loops that could damage the transistor or may cause low power output.

REMOVING IC's

Removing IC's (and most other soldered-in components) can be easily accomplished by using a vacuum desoldering tool. To remove an IC, heat each lead separately on the solder side and remove the old solder with the desoldering tool.

CAUTION



The CMOS Integrated Circuit devices used in this equipment can be destroyed by static discharges. Before handling one of these devices, the serviceman should discharge himself by touching the case of a bench test instrument that has a 3-prong power cord connected to an outlet with a known good earth ground. When soldering or desoldering a CMOS device, the soldering iron should also have a 3-prong power cord connected to an outlet with a known good earth ground. A battery-operated soldering iron may be used in place of the regular soldering iron.

REPLACING CHIP COMPONENTS

Replacement of chip components should always be done with a temperature-controlled soldering iron at 700°F (371°C). However, do not touch the black metal film of the resistors or the ceramic body of capacitors with the soldering iron.

NOTE

The metalized end terminations of the parts may be touched with the soldering iron without causing damage.

REMOVING CHIP COMPONENTS

1. Using two soldering irons heat both ends of the chip at the same time until solder flows, and then remove and discard the chip.
2. Remove excess solder with a vacuum solder extractor.
3. Carefully remove the epoxy adhesive and excess flux to prevent damage to the printed board.

REPLACING CHIP COMPONENTS

1. Using as little solder as possible, "tin" one end of the component and one of the pads on the printed wiring board.

2. Place the "tinned" end of the component on the "tinned" pad on the board and simultaneously touch the component and the pad with a well "tinned" soldering iron while pressing the component down on the board.

3. Place the "tinned" soldering iron on the other end of the component and the pad simultaneously. Apply solder to the top of the end of the component until the solder starts to flow. Use as little solder as possible while getting a good joint.

4. After the component has cooled, remove all flux from the component and printed wiring board area with alcohol.

TEST AND TROUBLESHOOTING PROCEDURES

Maintenance of the radio is facilitated by using the Self Test and Diagnostics routines and servicing techniques unique to this radio. Typical voltage readings are provided on the Schematic Diagram for reference when troubleshooting.

CAUTION

Before bench testing the radio, be sure of the output voltage characteristics of your bench power supply.

To protect the transmitter power output transistors from possible instant destruction, the following input voltages must not be exceeded:

Transmitter unkeyed:	16.5 Volts
Transmitter keyed (50 ohms resistive load):	16.3 Volts
Transmitter keyed (no load or non-resistive load):	14 Volts

These voltages are specified at the normal vehicle battery terminals of the radio and take the voltage drop of standard cables into account. The voltage limits shown for a non-optimum load is for "worst case" conditions. For antenna mismatches likely to be encountered in practice, the actual limit will approach the 16.3 Volt figure.

Routine transmitter tests should be performed at EIA Standard Test Voltages (13.6 VDC for loads of 6 to 16 amperes; 13.4 VDC for loads of 16 to 36 amperes). Input voltages must not exceed the limits shown, even for transient peaks of short duration.

Many commonly used bench power supplies cannot meet these requirements for load regulation and transient voltage suppression. Bench supplies which employ "brute force" regulation and filtering (such as Lapp Model 73) may be usable when operated in parallel with a 12 Volt automotive storage battery.

MICROCOMPUTER

When servicing the microcomputer/synthesizer circuitry it is sometimes desirable to force the microcomputer into specific operating modes. Following are tips that allow you to initiate these modes.

- Ground the lock-detect line at IC701-8 to force the microcomputer to continually try to reload the synthesizer. This mode will enable you to check the serial data, clock, channel change pulse and enable signals to the synthesizer.
- To stop the microcomputer from running, disable the watchdog timer by shorting the collector and emitter of TR701, and ground the single-step line at IC702-5.

MICROPHONICS

Synthesized radios tend to be sensitive to shock and vibration, creating microphonics. The construction of the RANGR radio with its die-cast aluminum frame, cast shield, and multiple board-mounting screws, provides a high degree of immunity. When removing printed circuit boards or shields, note the location of all mounting hardware.

When servicing the radio be sure that no solder build-up has occurred on the chassis or shield.

To assure a high degree of resistance to microphonics be sure to replace exactly, all hardware removed.

Be sure that all mounting screws are properly torqued and shields are in place. Refer to the Mechanical Layout Diagram.

NOTE

Loose or rubbing parts, especially in the VCO area are particularly sensitive and can cause microphonics. Again, be certain all hardware is properly installed and torqued.

MICROCOMPUTER DIAGNOSTICS

The microcomputer, in addition to operational programming, contains software for self-diagnostic routines to aid in troubleshooting the radio. Since the radio can not function with a defective microcomputer, the self diagnostic routines include internal tests as well as input/output tests to verify proper operation.

The internal tests include a ROM test which verifies that the proper program is stored in the microcomputer and a RAM test which checks for proper data transfer to and from all memory locations.

The input/output tests include a test which grounds one pin at a time on Port 1 and the data bus, and a test which mirrors the inputs PTT, CG DISABLE, ADVANCE CHANGE, and FB4 - FB1 on to the data bus.

These tests assure proper operation of the ports and data bus, in addition to checking the input/output instructions of the microcomputer. When troubleshooting the radio, if problems are suspected on the system board, the diagnostic routines should be performed first before going on to the test procedures and alignment instructions.

TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

- 13.8 VDC supply, 500 mA (unless being tested in radio)
- DC Voltmeter (Data Tech 30L or equivalent)
- Oscilloscope (Tektronix 404 or equivalent)

TEST PROCEDURE

1. Connect oscilloscope to J801-18 (SPKR 1) and ground.
2. Enter the self-diagnostic mode as follows:

CAUTION

When using the radio with the S550, S950 or S990 control head, the ADVANCE CHANGE line should be disconnected from the control head by removing connector P3. Instead of keying the microphone, ground J606-10.

- Key the radio with the microphone on-hook. (Ground J801-11. Make sure that MONITOR Switch is OFF.)
- Apply A+ at J801-19 through a 10K resistor to J801-32.
- Turn radio on.

ROM AND RAM TESTS

Once power is supplied to the board, the microcomputer will jump to the self-diagnostic test and immediately begin execution of the ROM and RAM tests. Upon completion of the ROM and RAM test (less than a second) the display, data bus, or alert tone will indicate when the tests have been successfully completed. Test status is indicated as follows:

	D3	D2	D1	D0	ALERT TONE
ROM TEST FAILED	0	0	0	0	NONE
ROM TEST PASSED RAM TEST FAILED	0	0	0	1	NONE
ROM TEST PASSED RAM TEST PASSED	0	0	1	0	1 kHz

If the data bus is inaccessible then the alert tone can be used to indicate whether the radio passed the tests. If the tests are successfully completed there will be a 1 kHz tone on SPKR 1 and it will be heard on the speaker if the board is in a radio. If no alert tone is present, then either the ROM or RAM test has failed.

If the radio fails these tests, the microcomputer function is defective. Before replacing the microcomputer, exhaust all other possibilities. Check associated circuits for shorted or open printed wire runs and components.

INPUT/OUTPUT TESTS

If the ROM and RAM tests are completed satisfactorily, release the PTT switch and remove A+ from J801-32. Note that the data bus will still indicate 02 (Hex), however, the 1 kHz tone should no longer be displayed on the scope or heard on the speaker.

The I/O test grounds one pin at a time on Port 1 and the data bus and is stepped through the test sequence by operating the PTT switch (momentarily grounding J801-11). Port 1 and the data bus can be monitored using a voltmeter. Port 1 consists of pins 27-34 on microcomputer IC702. The data bus includes pins 12-19 on IC702. Refer to schematic diagram for data

bus and port identification for IC702.
For example:

P17 = port 1 bit 7.

1. Momentarily press and release the PTT switch (J801-11). Port 1 and data bus lines all will go high.
2. Momentarily press and release the PTT switch (J801-11). IC702-34 and IC702-19 will go low. All other outputs should be high.
3. Momentarily press and release the PTT switch (J801-11). IC702-33 and IC702-18 will go low. All other outputs should be high.
4. Momentarily press and release the PTT switch (J801-11). IC702-17 will go low. All other outputs should be high. Note that IC702-32 will remain high. This is because this output switches the radio into the transmit mode when grounded. Thus the output is bypassed so that the radio will never go into the transmit mode during self test.
5. Momentarily press and release the PTT switch (J801-11). IC702-31 and IC702-16 will go low. All other outputs should be high.
6. Momentarily press and release the PTT switch (J801-11). IC702-30 and IC702-15 will go low. All other outputs should be high.
7. Momentarily press and release the PTT switch (J801-11). IC702-29 and IC702-14 will go low. All other outputs should be high.
8. Momentarily press and release the PTT switch (J801-11). IC702-28 and IC702-13 will go low. All other outputs should be high.
9. Momentarily press and release the PTT switch (J801-11). IC702-27 and IC702-12 will go low. All other outputs should be high.

10. Momentarily press and release the PTT switch (J801-11). Port 1 outputs will all be set high.

NOTE

At this point the program advances to mirror the outputs PTT, CG DISBL, ADVANCE CHANGE, and FB4-FB1 onto the data bus IC702-12 through IC702-19, respectively.

11. Momentarily apply ground to the following points while observing the status of the associated data bus as indicated below. When ground is applied, the data bus should go low and then go high when ground is removed.

Momentarily Ground	Data Bus	Momentarily Ground	Data Bus
J801-30	IC702-18	J801-13	IC702-14
J801-10	IC702-17	J801-2	IC702-13
J801-32	IC702-16	J801-1	IC702-12
J801-4	IC702-15	J801-11	IC702-19

12. Exit the diagnostic routines by momentarily removing power from the radio.

TEST FREQUENCIES

If the EEPROM is not custom programmed to the customer specified personality, then a standard test program is provided. The EEPROM is programmed on several channels including tone and digital Channel Guard and carrier control timer. The test program is given in Table 3.

FREQ SPLIT	CHANNEL	TX Frequency RX Frequency (MHz)	Channel Guard	Carrier control Timer
29 - 42 MHz	1	29.025 29.075	71.9 Hz	
	2	32.025 32.075	023	
	3	35.025 35.075		30 sec
	4	38.075 39.025		
	5	41.025 41.975		
35 - 50 MHz	1	35.025 35.075	71.9 Hz	
	2	38.075 39.025	023	
	3	41.025 41.075		30 sec
	4	45.025 45.075		
	5	49.025 49.075		

TABLE 3 - TEST PROGRAM

PA TROUBLESHOOTING PROCEDURE

DC VOLTAGE CHECK

First, Check the meter readings for power supply voltage and various stabilized DC voltages, at J606.

The typical readings for the test positions and test points are given in the chart below. The meter readings are typical using General Electric Test Set 4EX3A11 with Test Set Adapter 19C851532G1.

TEST POSITION	METERING POINT	FUNCTION MEASURED	SCALE	TYPICAL READING
B	J606-3	9V-RX	0-15V	9V
C	J606-4	5V	0-15V	5V
H	J606-8	EX9V	0-15V	9V
I	J606-9	+8V	0-15V	8V
J	J606-11	9V	0-15V	9V
K	J606-12	A+	0-15V	13.6V

TABLE 4 - READINGS AT J606

EXCITER QUICK CHECK

When troubleshooting the transmitter check for typical readings for the DC voltages across Exciter resistor R117, the Synthesizer output (J207), and the Exciter output (J102) as listed in Table 5.

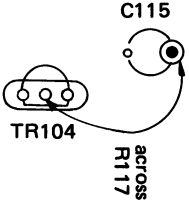
SYMPTOM	PROCEDURE	ANALYSIS
Little or No RF Output	<p>Key transmitter and monitor EXCITER DC voltages across R117 for 0.7 VDC. The voltage should increase.</p> 	If voltage does not increase, check TR101 to TR103 and associated components.
	<p>Disconnect the coaxial cable ZC608 from the synthesizer board and measure TX INJECTION, J207. Should be -3 to +6 dBm.</p>	If TX INJECTION is low, check TR220, TR221 and associated circuitry.
	<p>Disconnect the coaxial cable ZC610 from the Exciter board and measure EXCITER OUTPUT, J102. Should be 0.4 watts or more.</p>	If EXCITER OUTPUT is low, check TR101 to TR104, IC101 and associated components.

TABLE 5 - EXCITER QUICK CHECK

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

SIGNAL LEVELS

SIGNAL	INDICATION	VOLTAGE LEVEL
CAS	High Level	9.0 VDC
	Low Level	0.15 VDC
RUS	High Level (Rx Un-sq)	9.0 VDC
	Low Level (Rx Squelched)	0.15 VDC
	Low Level (Rx Mute/PTT pulled low, Rx unsquelched)	0.6 VDC
<u>SQ DSBL</u> , Input	Logic Low (Sq. Dis)	0 VDC
	Logic High(Sq)	2.4 VDC
	Rx Un-Sq	0.14 VDC
<u>CCT PA ENBL</u>	Logic Low	0.35 VDC
	Logic High	5.5 VDC
<u>TX ENB</u>	Logic Low	2.0 VDC
	Logic High	9.0 VDC
PTT, Input	Logic Low	0 VDC
	Logic High	13 VDC

TABLE 6 - SIGNAL LEVELS

Front Connector	J801
System Metering	J606
RX RF	J401
RX INJ	J209
TX INJ	J207
EX Output	J102

TABLE 7 RADIO CONNECTOR IDENTIFICATION

TRANSMITTER ALIGNMENT

TEST PROCEDURES

These Test Procedures are designed to assist you in servicing a transmitter that is operating, but not properly. Once a defect is pinpointed, refer to the Transmitter Troubleshooting Procedure. Before starting, be sure that transmitter is tuned and aligned properly.

CAUTION

Before bench testing the radio, be sure of the output voltage characteristics of your bench power supply.

To protect the transmitter power output transistors from possible instant destruction, the following input voltages must not be exceeded:

Transmitter unkeyed:	16.5 Volts
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MODULATION LEVEL ADJUSTMENT

The MOD ADJUST controls are adjusted to the proper setting before shipment and normally do not require readjustment. This setting permits approximately 75% modulation for the average voice level. The audio peaks which would cause overmodulation are clipped by the modulation limiter. The limiter, in conjunction with the de-emphasis network, instantaneously limits the slope of the audio wave to the modulator, thereby preventing over-modulation while preserving intelligibility.

TEST EQUIPMENT

1. An audio oscillator (GE Model 4EX6A10)
2. Deviation Monitor
3. An output meter or a VTVM
4. GE Test Set Model 4EX3A11 with Test Set Adapter Cable 19C851532G1

PROCEDURE OF SYNTHESIZER TRANSMIT DEVIATION

NOTE

The transmit deviation has been properly set by the factory and should require no readjustment. Should it become necessary to adjust the deviation, please refer to the Maintenance Manual LBI-13714 and the section TX AUDIO PROCESSOR in SYSTEM CONTROL BOARD and MODULATION LEVEL CONTROL in FREQUENCY SYNTHESIZER BOARD. These will familiarize you with the modulation deviation and make the Alignment Procedure more understandable.

1. Select a center frequency channel. Remove P605
2. Rotate RV201 and RV603 fully counterclockwise.
3. Apply a 1 kHz tone at 1 Vrms through a 100 μ F capacitor to MIC HI at J701-16 (+ lead of capacitor).

Connect the deviation monitor to the antenna connector J3 via a 30-dB coupler, whose output is terminated in a 50-ohm load. Key the radio.

Set VCO DEVIATION ADJUST, RV202 for +3.75 kHz deviation.

4. Set RV603 fully clockwise. Apply a 400 Hz tone to J605-2 and with the radio keyed, vary its amplitude until the Deviation Monitor reads 1 kHz. Note the level.
5. Change the signal generator frequency to 10 Hz at the same level and set REF MOD ADJUST, RV201 for a deviation of 1 kHz. Unkey the radio.
6. Disconnect the signal generator and replace P605 in position 1-2.
7. Select a frequency with Tone Channel Guard (preferably close to the center frequency).

Key the radio and set CG DEVIATION ADJUST, RV603 for a deviation reading of +0.75 kHz.

NOTE: If Channel Guard is not used on any frequency, the VCO DEVIATION ADJUST RV202 may be set for a deviation of +4.5 kHz instead of +3.75 kHz.

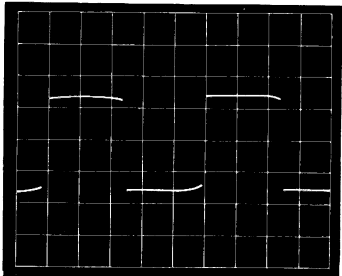
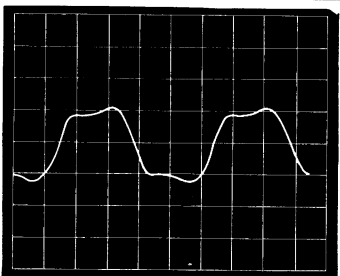
AUDIO CHECKS

TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

- Audio Oscillator
- Voltmeter
- Oscilloscope
- Deviation Monitor

AUDIO AC VOLTAGE

1. Connect audio oscillator output across J701-16 (or J801-9) and J701-3 (or J801-5).

		IC607-1	IC607-7
SCOPE SETTING	HORIZONTAL	200 μ SEC/DIV	200 μ SEC/DIV
	VERTICAL	2 VOLTS/DIV	2 VOLTS/DIV
SET AUDIO OSCILLATOR at 1000 Hz WITH OUTPUT OF 1.0 VRMS. MODULATION ADJUSTED FOR 4.5 kHz DEVIATION. NOTE: AN RMS OR PEAK READING VOLTMETER WILL READ 1/2 TO 1/3 OF PEAK-TO-PEAK READINGS.			

AUDIO SENSITIVITY

1. Connect audio oscillator output across J701-16 (or J801-9) and J701-3 (or J801-5). Adjust output for 1000 Hz at 1.0 VRMS.
2. Reduce generator output until deviation falls to 3.0 kHz for radios without Channel Guard or to 2.25 kHz for radios with Channel Guard. Voltage should be less than 120 millivolts.

SYNTHESIZER AND TRANSMITTER ALIGNMENT

TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

1. Wattmeter, 50 ohm (capable of measuring 150 Watts & 1 Watt)
2. DC Voltmeter, 20,000 ohms per volt
3. Digital Voltmeter
4. Power supply, 13.8 VDC regulated
5. GE Test Set 4EX3A11 with Test Set Adapter Cable 19C851532G1

PRELIMINARY CHECKS AND ADJUSTMENTS

NOTE

Refer to Figure 3 for location of tuning and adjustment controls.

1. Apply DC power to radio.
2. Connect plug of GE Test Set to Metering jack J606. Set polarity to "+" and voltage range to the 1 volt position (Test 1).

NOTE

Before alignment or making any adjustments to the transmitter, be sure that power supply voltage (A+) and various stabilized DC voltages are proper. Refer to Table 4.

ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE

- SYNTHESIZER -

STEP	METERING POINT	TUNING CONTROL	METER READING	PROCEDURE
1.	TP201 (Control Voltage Monitor)	CV202	A:6.5 VDC B:7.0 VDC	<p>NOTE</p> <p>The synthesizer is factory aligned and should not require further adjustment. Should it become necessary to adjust the synthesizer please refer to the Maintenance Manual LBI-31714 and the "Frequency Synthesizer" section. These will familiarize you with the operation of the VCO's and make the Alignment Procedure more understandable.</p>
				<p>NOTE</p> <p>The label on the cover of the Synthesizer must be removed, or holes made in it to gain access to the adjustable components, through the existing holes in the shield. These hole locations are shown in Figure 3.</p>
				<p>NOTE</p> <p>Should it become necessary to adjust the synthesizer, program a PROM to the highest frequency of the split (42 MHz for A board or 50 MHz for B board) for proper alignment.</p>
				<p>Select highest frequency transmit channel in the split (42 MHz - A, 50 MHz - B). With a 50 ohm load on the antenna connector J3, key the radio. Adjust CV202 until the lock detector indicator CD710 goes out. Monitor TP201 with a digital voltmeter and adjust CV202 for a reading of 6.5 \pm0.1 VDC for A board or 7.0 \pm0.1 VDC for B board. Check that CD710 remains out. Unkey the radio.</p>

STEP	METERING POINT	TUNING CONTROL	METER READING	PROCEDURE
2.	TP201 (Control Voltage Monitor)	CV201	7.5VDC	Select highest receive channel in the split as in Step 1 (release PTT switch). Adjust CV201 until lock detector indicator CD710 goes out. Monitor TP201 with a digital voltmeter and adjust CV201 for a reading of 7.5 ± 0.1 VDC. Check that CD710 remains out.
3.	TP201 (Control Voltage Monitor)		3.5 to 7.5VDC	Select each receive and transmit channel. Voltage at TP201 should be between 3.5 and 7.5 VDC.
4.	J207 J209		-3 to +6 dBm	Monitor TX injection at J207 and Rx injection at J209. Tx injection -3 to +6 dBm Rx injection -3 to +6 dBm

- REFERENCE OSCILLATOR FREQUENCY -

STEP	METERING POINT	TUNING CONTROL	METER READING	PROCEDURE
5.	J207	FREQ TRIM Control on VC-TCXO	Channel Operating Frequency	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>This step assumes the frequency is measured when the transmitter is first keyed. If delayed, the rapidly rising ambient temperature must be taken into consideration. The oscillator frequency should be set at 25°C ambient temperature.</p> </div> <p>Press the PTT switch while monitoring the Tx injection frequency at J207. Adjust FREQ TRIM Control on VC-TCXO for the assigned channel frequency within ± 0.5 ppm.</p> <p>Note: The receiver injection frequency will automatically be correct.</p>

- EXCITER -

STEP	METERING POINT	TUNING CONTROL	METER READING	PROCEDURE
				<p align="center">NOTE</p> <p>The Exciter requires no adjustment. If it becomes necessary to check the Exciter, proceed as follows.</p> <p align="center">NOTE</p> <p>The Exciter can be isolated from the rest of the radio for checking purposes, if desired. To isolate and set up for alignment, remove coaxial cables ZC608 and ZC610. Connect a (0-1 watt) wattmeter to J102. Apply a 0 dBm on-frequency signal to J101.</p>
6.				<p>Check output power on the wattmeter. It should be greater than 100 milliwatts.</p> <p align="center">NOTE</p> <p>Disconnect wattmeter from J102. Reinstall Z608 and Z610 if removed. Connect a (0-150 watts) wattmeter set to antenna jack J3.</p>
7.			RV1	<p>Monitor the transmitter output power on each channel. Select the channel with the lowest output power and set RV1 for rated output power.</p>

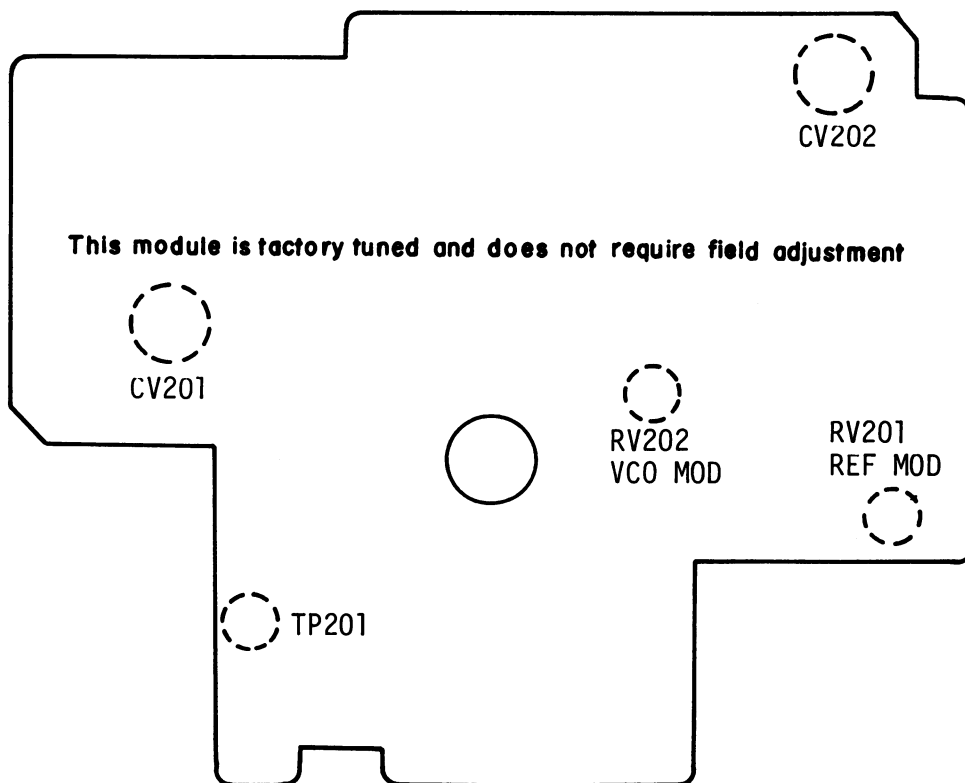


Figure 3 - Hole locations for synthesizer tuning and transmitter deviation adjustment

RECEIVER ALIGNMENT

TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIRED (or Equivalent)

- GE TEST Set 4EX3A11, 4EX8K12, or 20,000 ohms-per-volt multimeter.
- AC Voltmeter
- RF Signal Generator
- Frequency Counter
- 4-ohm 15 watt resistor
- Audio Isolation Transformer (1:1) 19A116736P1 or equivalent

PRELIMINARY CHECKS AND ADJUSTMENTS

NOTE

Before aligning the receiver or making any adjustments to the radio be sure that the output of 9 Volt Regulator is 9.0 ± 0.2 VDC

NOTE

If installing the Noise Blanker option board, cut jumper W402 and plug option board into J502 (be sure plug is installed on J503-2, 3 in receiver unit, and P707 is installed on J707-2, 3 in system control unit). Set the output signal level of the RF signal generator so as to obtain 12 dB SINAD at audio output. Adjust coils L503 and L504 to obtain best SINAD sensitivity reading.

IF/FM DETECTOR ALIGNMENT

Apply a 1000 microvolt, on-frequency test signal modulated by 1,000 Hz with ± 3.0 kHz deviation to antenna jack J3.

Connect a 4-ohm, 15-watt resistor in place of the speaker. Connect the isolation transformer input across the resistor. Connect the isolation transformer output to the Distortion Analyzer (See figure 5).

Adjust the VOLUME control for 5 Watts output (4.47 VRMS) using the Distortion Analyzer as a voltmeter.

Set the output signal level of the RF signal generator so as to obtain 12dB SINAD at audio output.

Adjust coils L503, 504, 506, 507 and 508 to obtain maximum SINAD SENSITIVITY.

Set the output signal level of the RF signal generator to 1000 microvolt.

Adjust L509 for maximum audio output.

Adjust RV602 for audio output level at TP1 of 300 mV rms.

FRONT-END ALIGNMENT

Select the lowest frequency channel. Set the frequency of the RF signal generator to the lowest channel frequency + 10.4 MHz. ($= f_R + 1/2IF$ spurious frequency). Adjust CV401 and CV402 to obtain worst SINAD SENSITIVITY (maximum spurious rejection in this condition).

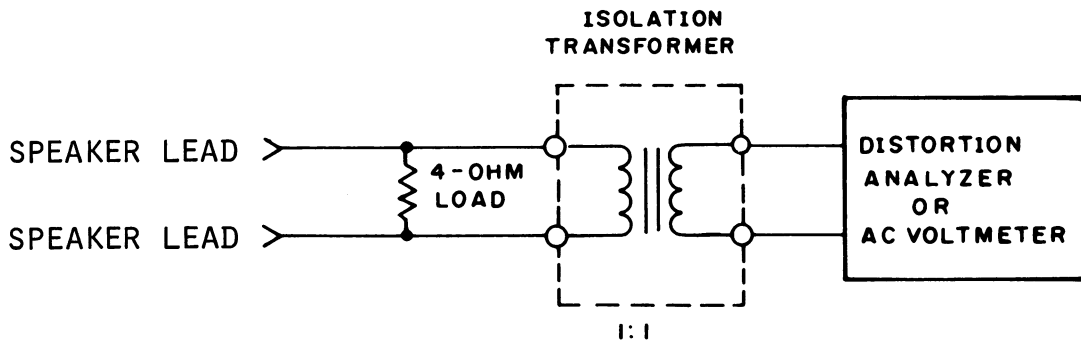


Figure 5 - Audio Isolation Transformer

RV605 ADJUSTMENT PROCEDURE

RV605 is used to set squelch amplifier gain to correct for noise variations between various bands of RANGR. This control does not require adjustment unless the squelch hybrid HC601 is changed or the systems board is exchanged between radios of different frequency bands.

- 1) Connect a signal generator to the antenna connector.
- 2) Set the squelch control on the Control Head fully clockwise.
- 3) Set RV605 on the System Control board fully clockwise.
- 4) Set the signal generator to the level to produce 20dB quieting.
- 5) Raise the generator level by 2dB.
- 6) Set the squelch control on the Control Head fully counterclockwise.
- 7) Adjust RV605 until the squelch just closes.
- 8) Set the modulation frequency to 1kHz with 3kHz deviation.
- 9) Check the signal generator level required to just open the squelch. It should be greater than the 20dB level and less than 1μV.

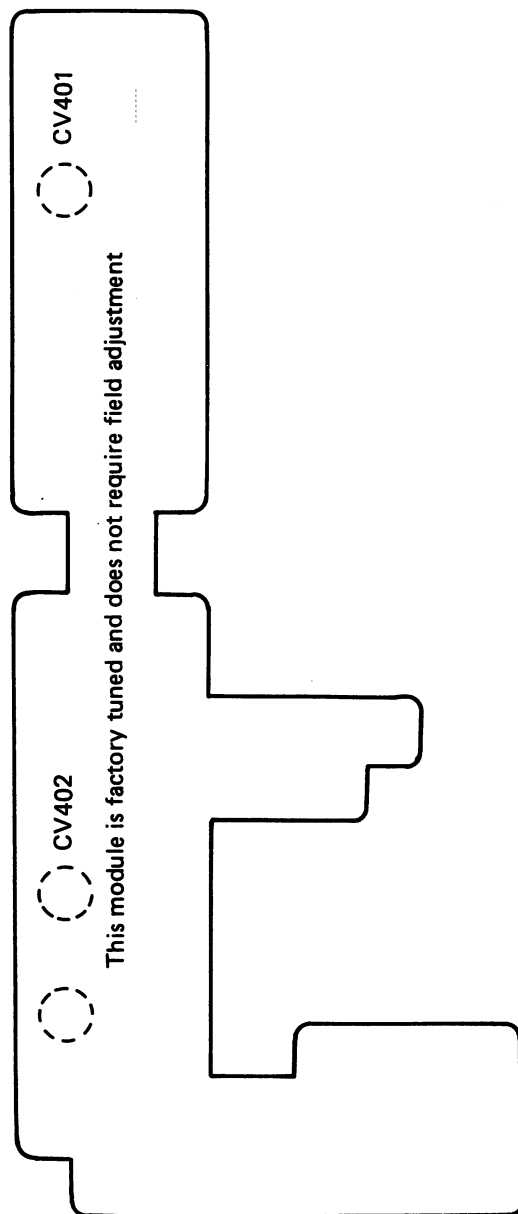


Figure 6 - Hole locations for receiver adjustment

RECEIVER AUDIO AND SQUELCH CHECKS

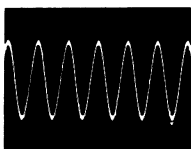
SQUELCH CIRCUIT TEST WITH 6kHz SIGNAL

PRELIMINARY STEPS

1. Set the squelch on the control head to close at 8 dB SINAD level.
2. Quiet receiver with 1000 uV modulated signal applied to antenna jack J3.
3. Set modulation frequency to 6 kHz.
4. Set deviation to 3 kHz.
5. Use 10 megohm probe.

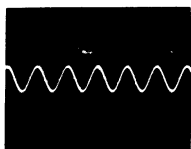
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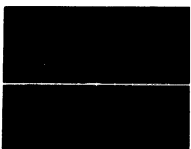
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VERT 0.1 V/DIV
(0.5 V p-p)



(C)

HOR .1 MSEC/DIV
VERT 2 V/DIV
(7.5 ~ 8.0 VDC)
BASE LINE 0 VDC



SQUELCH CIRCUIT CHECKS WITH NOISE

PRELIMINARY STEPS

1. Set the squelch on the control head to close at 8 dB SINAD level.
2. Remove input signal.
3. Use 10 megohm probe.

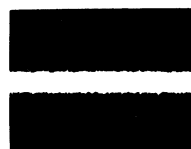
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VERT 1 V/DIV
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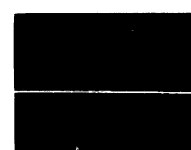
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(C)

HOR .5 MSEC/DIV
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(7.5 ~ 8.0 VDC)



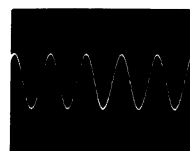
AUDIO CIRCUIT

PRELIMINARY STEPS

1. Apply 1000 uV on frequency signal with 1000 Hz modulation and 3 kHz deviation to antenna jack J3.
2. Output set to 10 Watts (6.3 VRMS) into 4-ohm load.
3. Use 1 megohm probe.

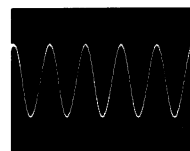
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HOR .5 MSEC/DIV
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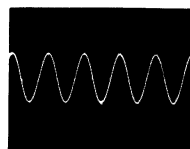
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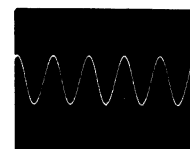
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HOR .5 MSEC/DIV
VERT .1 V/DIV
(.28 V P-P)



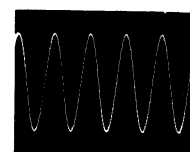
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HOR .5 MSEC/DIV
VERT .1 V/DIV
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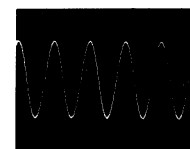
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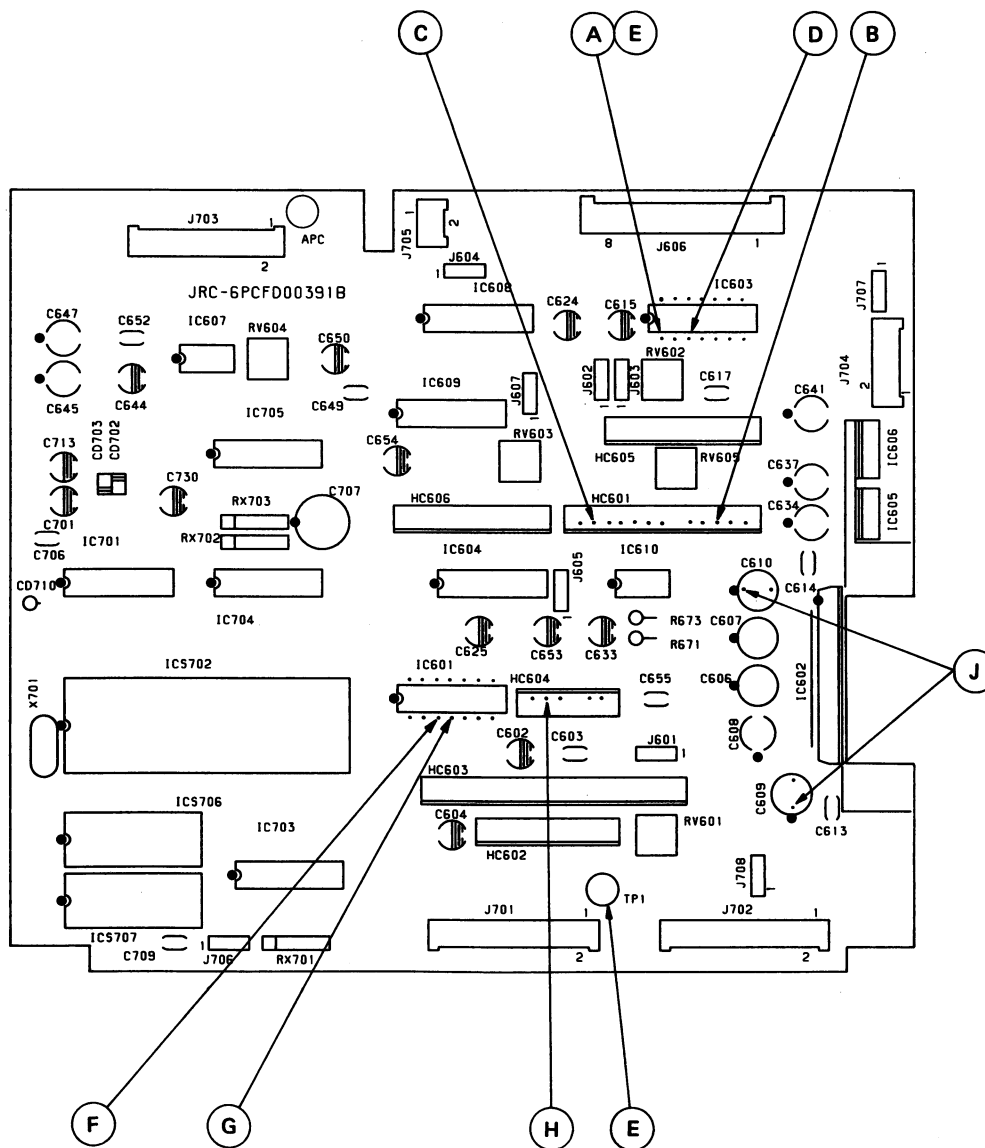
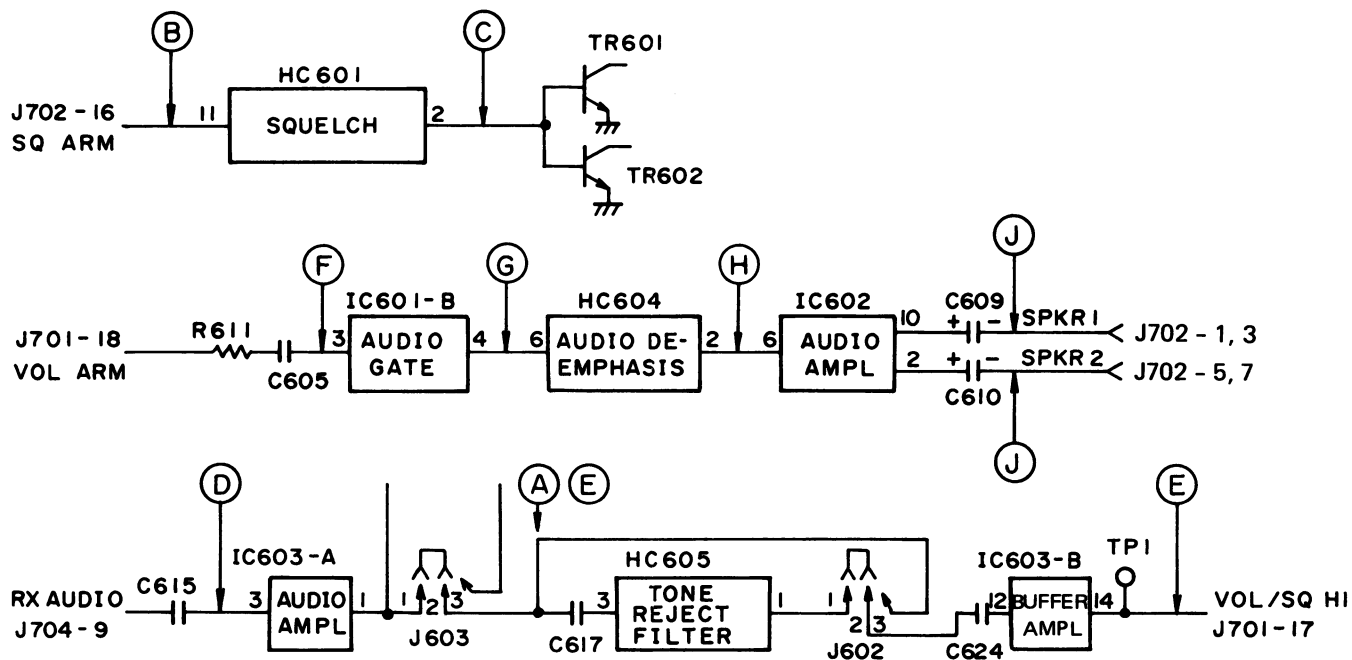
HOR .5 MSEC/DIV
VERT 50 mV/DIV
(280 mV P-P)



(J)

HOR .5 MSEC/DIV
VERT 2 V/DIV
(8.8 V P-P)





TEST PROCEDURE

These Test Procedures are designed to help you to service a receiver that is operating, but not properly. The problems encountered could be low power, poor sensitivity, distortion, limiter not operating properly, and low gain. By following the sequence of test steps starting with Step 1, the defect can be quickly localized. Once the defective stage is pinpointed, refer to the "Service Check" listed to correct the problem. Additional corrective measures are included in the Troubleshooting Procedure. Before starting with the receiver Test Procedures, be sure the receiver is tuned and aligned to the proper operating frequency.

TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

- Distortion Analyzer
- Signal Generator
- 6 dB attenuation pad
- Audio Isolation Transformer
- 4-ohm resistor (15-watt minimum)

PRELIMINARY ADJUSTMENT

NOTE

These procedures are written around the Heathkit Distortion Analyzer. If a Distortion Analyzer other than the Heath IM-12 is used, measure the sensitivity and modulation acceptance bandwidth in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

1. Unsquench the receiver.

STEP 1 AUDIO POWER OUTPUT AND DISTORTION

TEST PROCEDURE

Measure Audio Power Output as follows:

- A. Apply a 1000 microvolt, on-frequency test signal modulated by 1,000 Hz with 3.0 kHz deviation to antenna jack J3.

- B. With 10 Watt Speaker

Disconnect the speaker. Connect a 4-ohm, 15-watt load resistor in its place.

Connect the isolation transformer input across the resistor. Connect the isolation transformer output to the Distortion Analyzer (See Figure 5).

- C. Adjust the VOLUME control for 10-watt output (6.32 VRMS) using the Distortion Analyzer as a voltmeter.
- D. Make distortion measurements according to manufacturer's instructions. Reading should be less than 3%. If the receiver sensitivity is to be measured, leave all controls and equipment as they are.

SERVICE CHECK

If the distortion is more than 3%, or maximum audio output is less than 10-watt, make the following checks:

- E. Battery and regulator voltage---low voltage will cause distortion. (Refer to Receiver Schematic Diagram for voltages.)
- F. FM Detector alignment (Refer to Receiver Alignment).

STEP 2
USABLE SENSITIVITY
(12 DB SINAD)

TEST PROCEDURE

If STEP 1 checks out properly, measure the receiver sensitivity as follows:

- A. Apply a 1000 microvolt, on-frequency signal modulated by 1000 Hz with 3.0 kHz deviation to J3.
- B. Place the RANGE switch on the Distortion Analyzer in the 200 to 2000 Hz distortion range position (1000 Hz filter in the circuit). Tune the filter for minimum reading or null on the lowest possible scale (100%, 30%, etc.)
- C. Place the RANGE switch to the SET LEVEL position (filter out of the circuit) and adjust the input LEVEL control for a +2 dB reading on a mid range (30%).
- D. Set signal generator output to 0.3 μ V. Switch the RANGE control from SET LEVEL to the distortion range. Readjust Distortion Analyzer SET LEVEL as required until a 12 dB difference (+2 dB to -10 dB) is obtained between the SET LEVEL and distortion range positions (filter out and filter in).
- E. The 12 dB difference (Signal plus Noise and Distortion to noise plus distortion ratio) is the "usable" sensitivity level. The sensitivity should be less than rated 12 dB SINAD specifications with an audio output of at least 5 Watts (4.47 Volts RMS across the 4.0 ohm receiver load using the Distortion Analyzer as a Voltmeter).
- F. Leave all controls as they are and all equipment connected if the Modulation Acceptance Bandwidth test is to be performed.

SERVICE CHECK

If the sensitivity level is more than rated 12 dB SINAD, check the alignment of the IF stages as directed in the Alignment Procedure.

STEP 3
MODULATION ACCEPTANCE
BANDWIDTH (IF BANDWIDTH)

TEST PROCEDURE

If STEPS 1 and 2 check out properly, measure the bandwidth as follows:

- A. Reduce audio output level to 10% of rated output.
- B. Set the Signal Generator output for twice the microvolt reading obtained in the 12 dB SINAD measurement.
- C. Set the RANGE control on the Distortion Analyzer to the SET LEVEL position (1000 Hz filter out of the circuit), and adjust the input LEVEL control for a +2 dB reading on the 30% range.
- D. While increasing the deviation of the Signal Generator, switch the RANGE control from SET LEVEL to distortion range until a 12 dB difference is obtained between the SET LEVEL and distortion range readings (from +2 dB to -10 dB).
- E. The deviation control reading for the 12 dB difference is the Modulation Acceptance Bandwidth of the receiver. It should be more than +7.0 kHz.

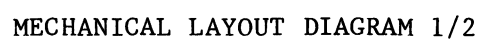
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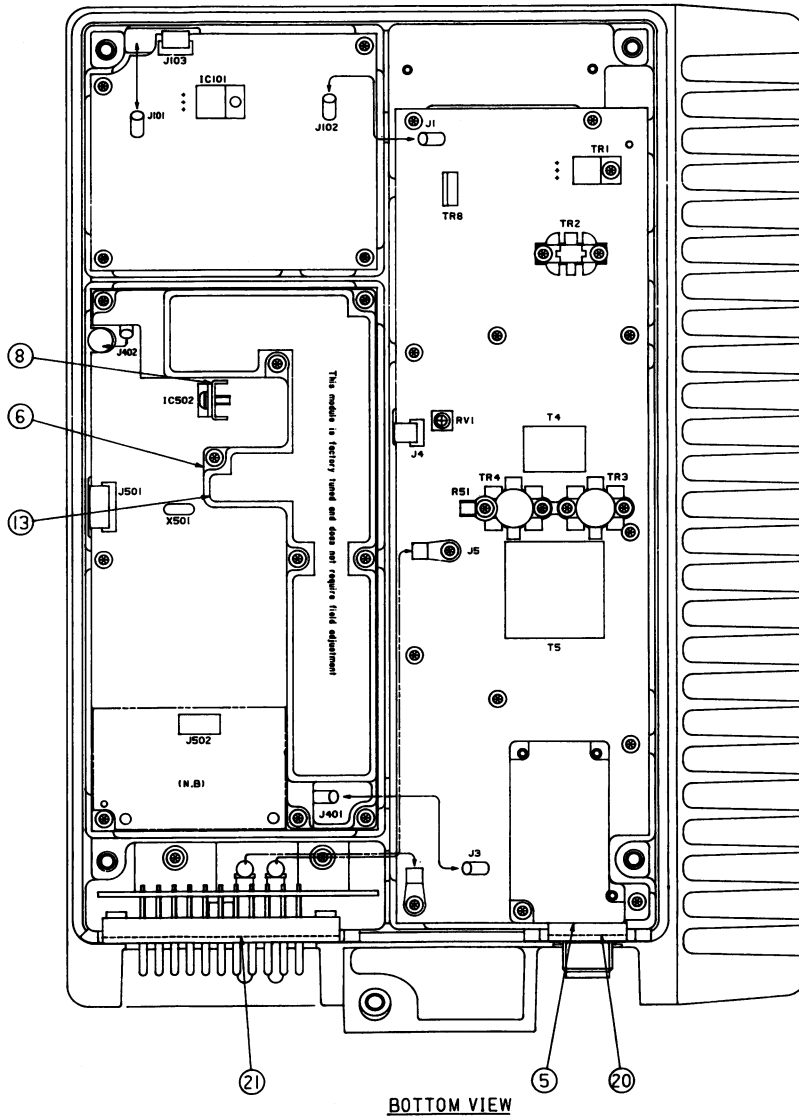
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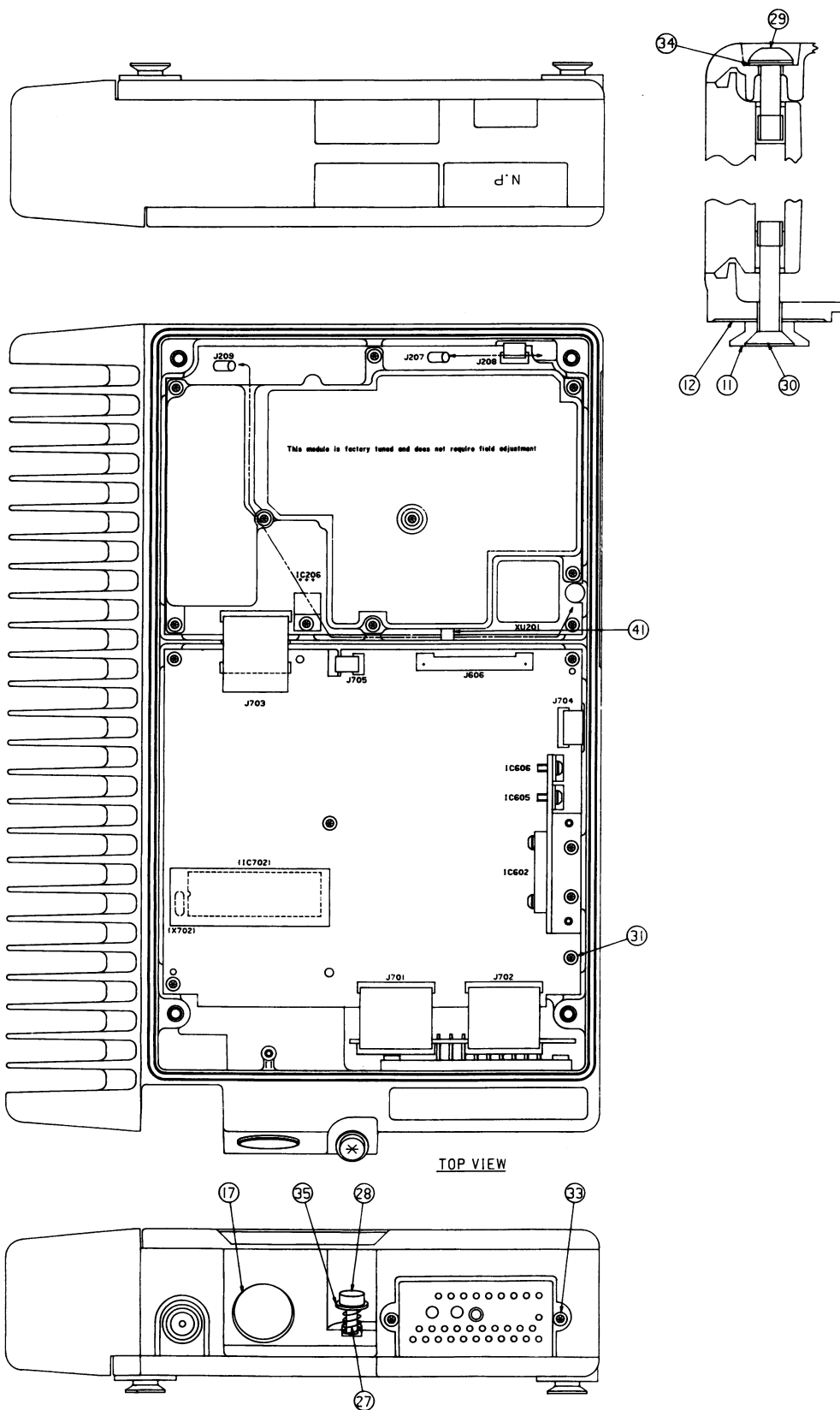
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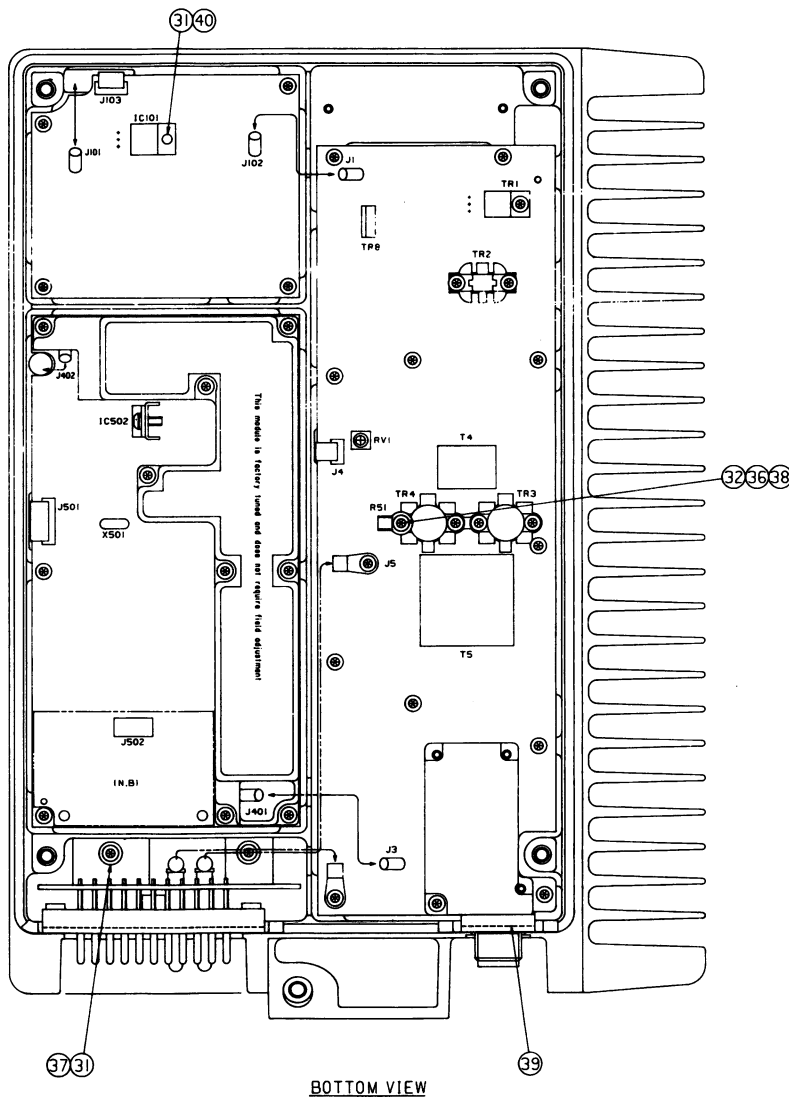
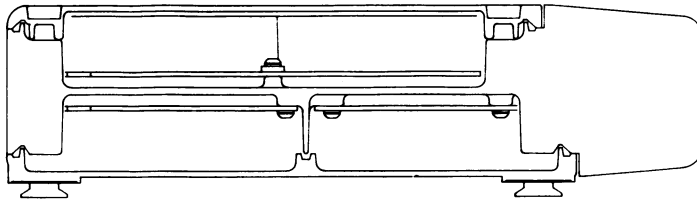


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MECHANICAL LAYOUT DIAGRAM



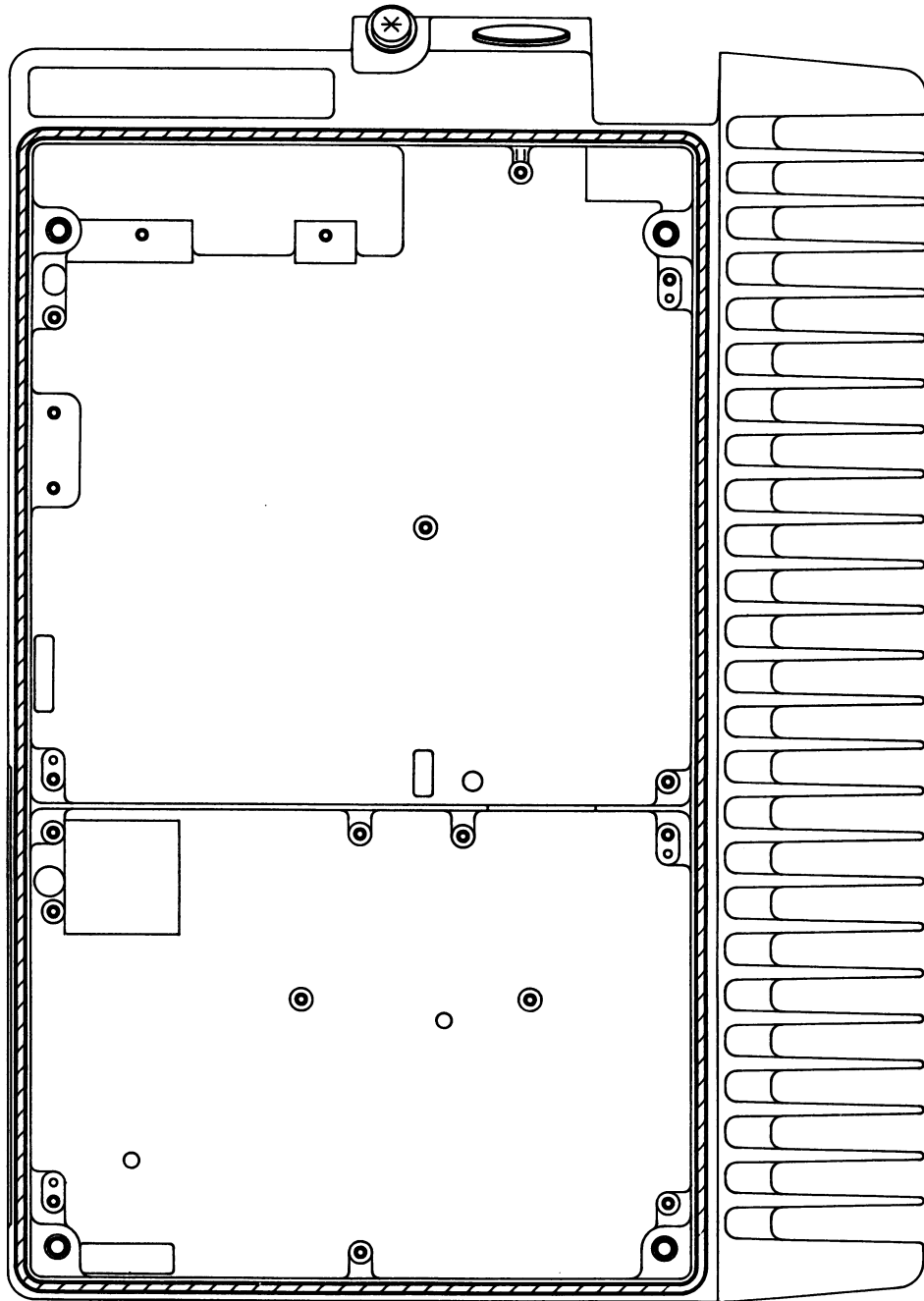
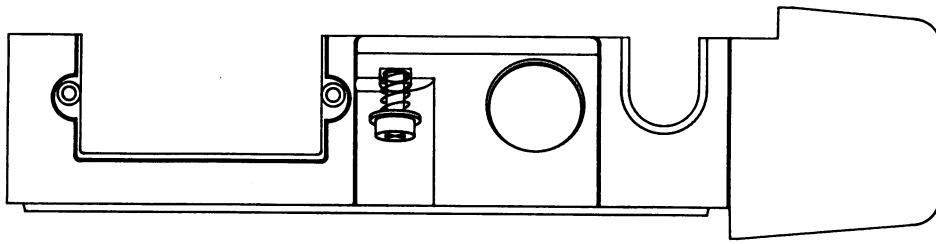
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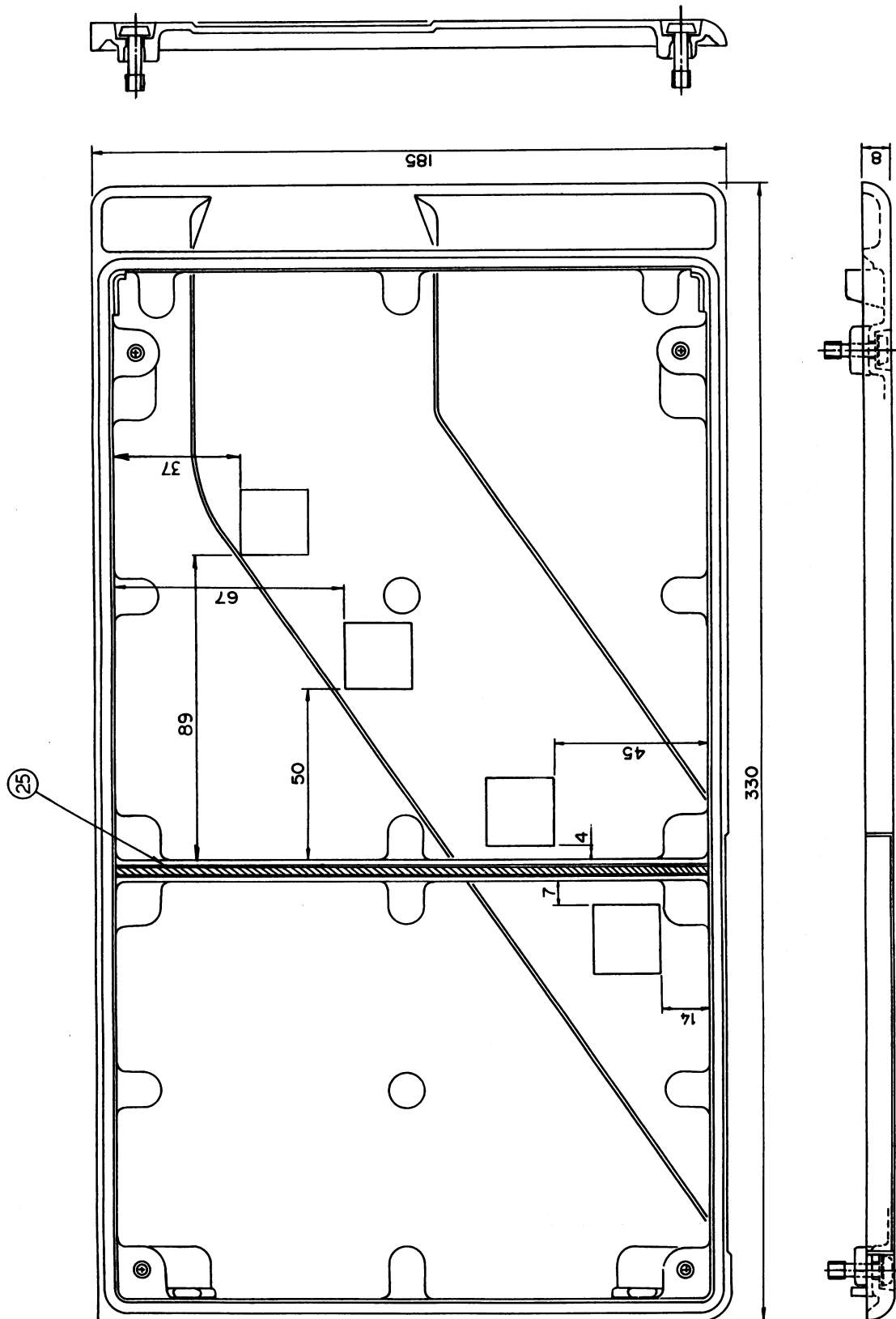
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36	SPACER	B19/MTL035255	1
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38	LOCK WASHER	B19/BRTG03493	3
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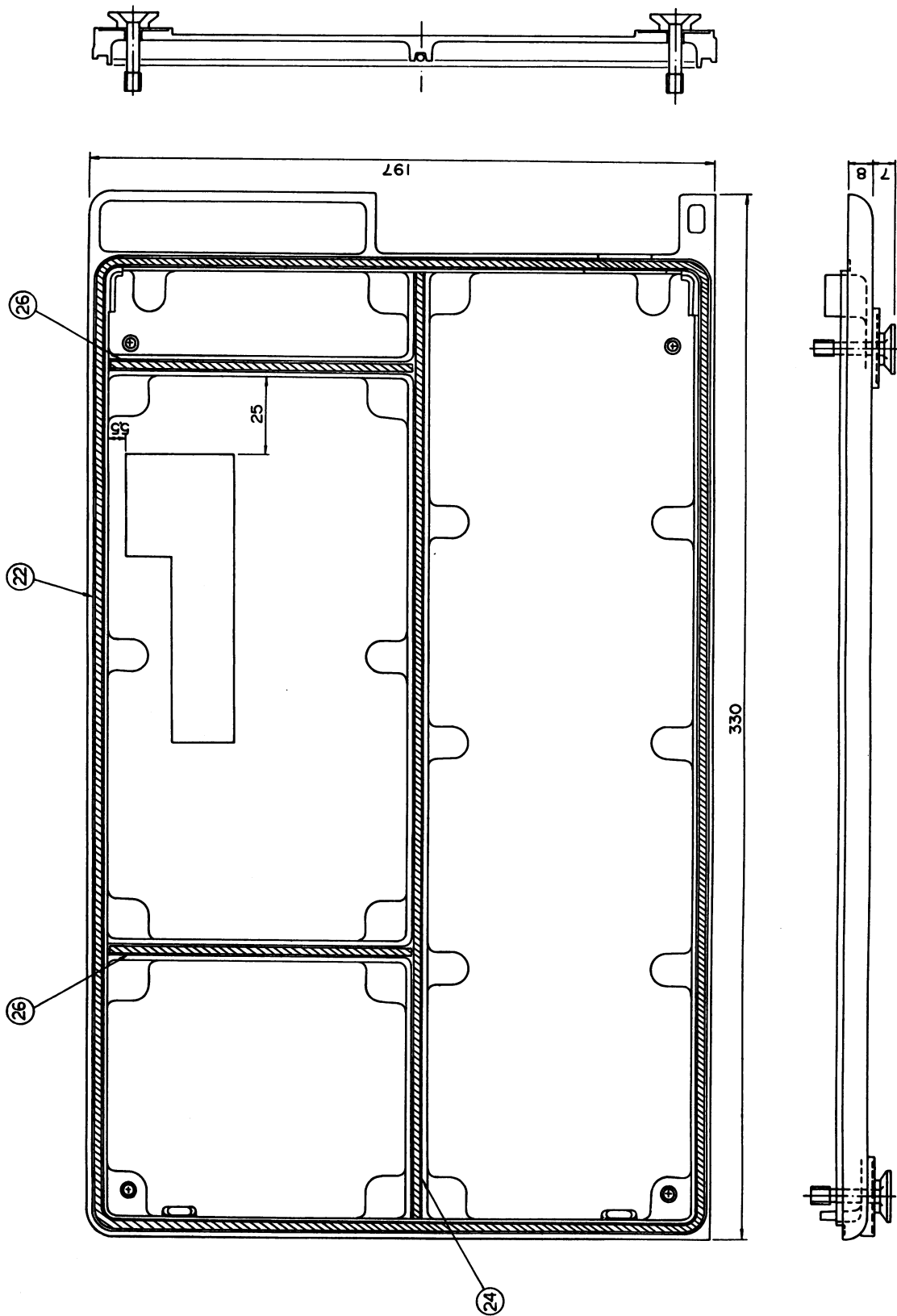
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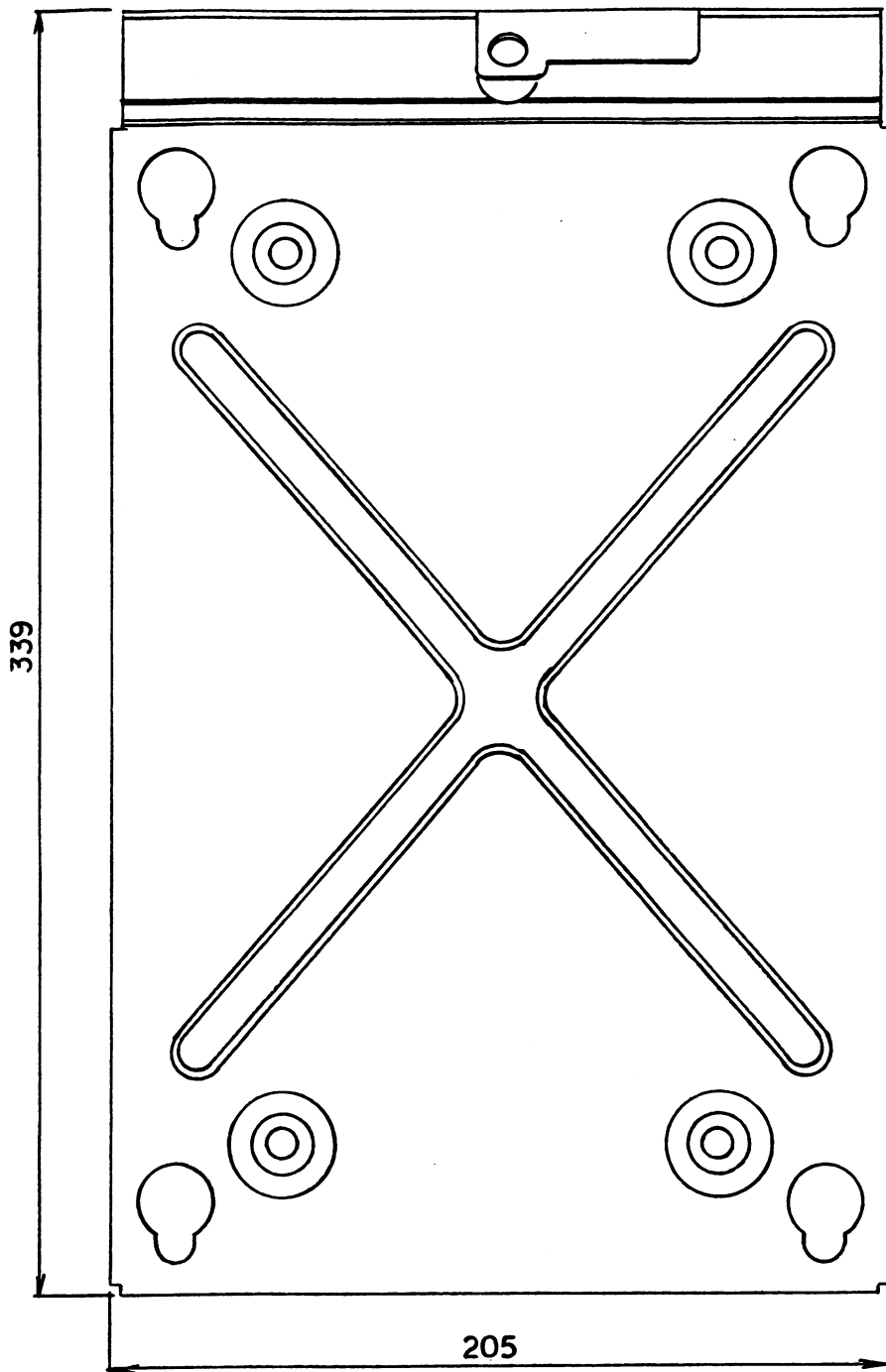
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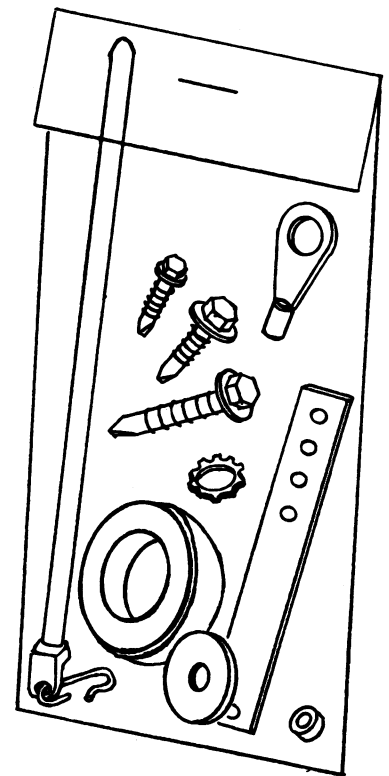
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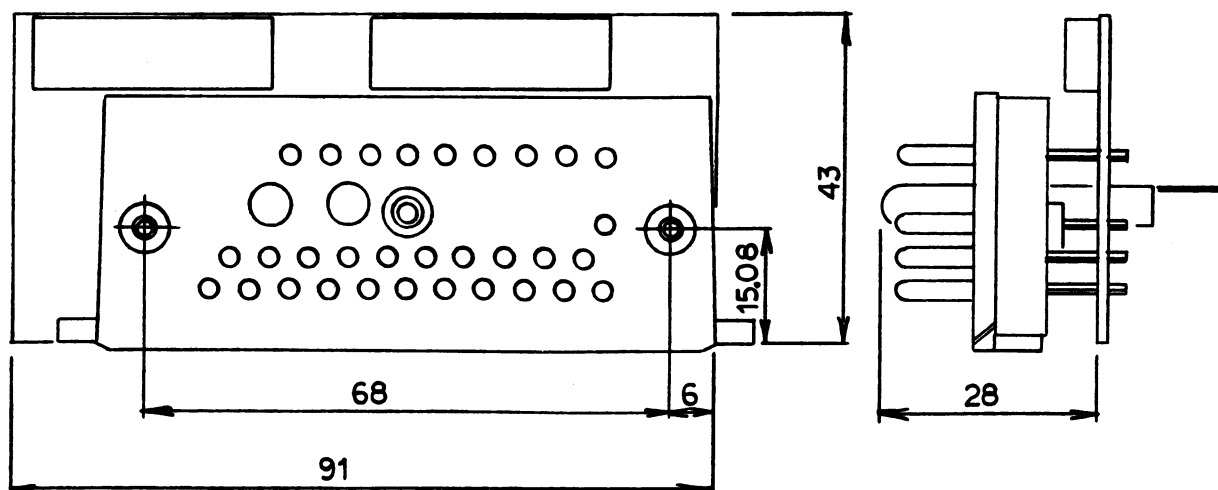
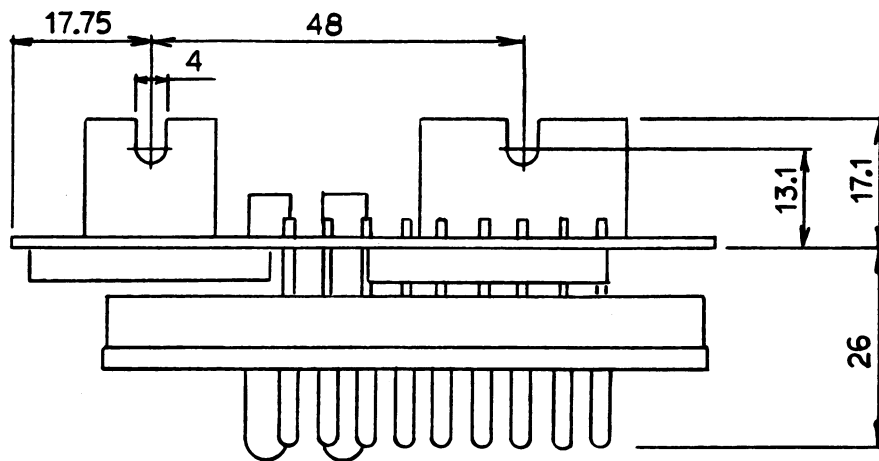
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