

#### **UHF DUPLEXER MODULE**

0185417U04 Options X182AC (403-435 MHz) 0185417U05 X182AD (435-470 MHz) 0185417U06 X182AE (470-490 MHz) 0185417U07 X182AF (490-520 MHz)

Note: This duplexer is identical to the RFS/Celwave PD526-4-2

## DESCRIPTION

Options X182AC-AF provide band-dependent duplexer modules for use with *Quantar* and *Quantro* UHF stations. This section provides a general description, identification of adjustments and inputs/outputs, performance specifications, and a typical mounting location detail. While the duplexer module is considered non-repairable, tuning screws are provided for field tuning should replacement become necessary due to module failure, or if retuning is necessary due to a change in operating channels. A single channel field tuning procedure is provided in this section.

#### **General Description**

The duplexer module (shown in Figure 1) allows a transmit and receive channel pair to share a common TX/RX antenna. Each duplexer module consists of six resonant cavities (three for transmit and three for receive) contained in a temperature—compensated copper enclosure designed to mount in a standard EIA 19" equipment rack.

Each set of three cavities is designed and tuned to pass the respective transmit or receive channel frequency (or bandwidths) while providing maximum TX noise suppression at the RX frequency and maximum RX isolation at the TX frequency.

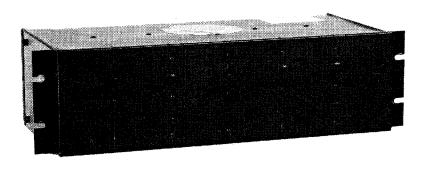


Figure 1. Typical UHF Duplexer Module

## 2 ADJUSTMENTS AND INPUTS/OUTPUTS

Figure 2 shows the location of the adjustment screws and rf input and output connectors for the duplexer module.

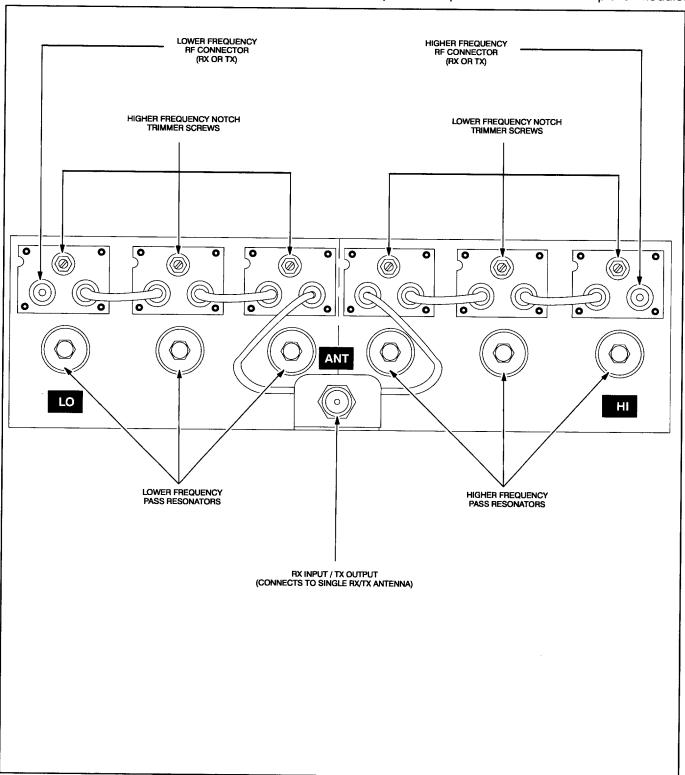


Figure 2. Quantar / Quantro UHF Duplexer Module Adjustment Screws and Input/Output Connections

### PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS

Table 1 shows the electrical performance specifications for the duplexer module.

#### **Performance Specifications**

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Parameter	Specification
Operating Frequency Model X182AC Model X182AD Model X182AE Model X182AF	403-435 MHz 435-470 MHz 470-490 MHz 490-520 MHz
Insertion Loss (Transmitter to Antenna)	1.3 dB max
Insertion Loss (Antenna to Receiver)	1.3 dB max
TX-to-RX Frequency Separation (Min.)	5 MHz (X182AC, AD) 3 MHz (X182AE, AF)
TX Noise Suppression at RX Freq.	120 dB min (X182AC, AD) 100 dB min (X182AE, AF)
RX Isolation at TX Freq.	120 dB min (X182AC, AD) 100 dB min (X182AE, AF)
Return Loss	17 dB minimum
Maximum Input Power	250 W
Temperature Range	-30°C to +60°C
Size	5¼" (H) x 14" (D) x 19" (W) EIA Rack Mountable
Weight	23 lbs.
Terminations	Female N-Type
Input and Output Impedance	50 Ohms

SPECIFICATIONS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

### TYPICAL MOUNTING CONFIGURATION

The duplexer module is typically mounted in the same rack or cabinet as the station and peripheral tray (if equipped). Figure 3 shows front and rear views of a typical repeater configuration in which a station, triple circulator option, and duplexer option are installed in a single cabinet. Also shown is a simplified interconnect diagram showing the receiver and transmitter paths to a single RX/TX antenna.

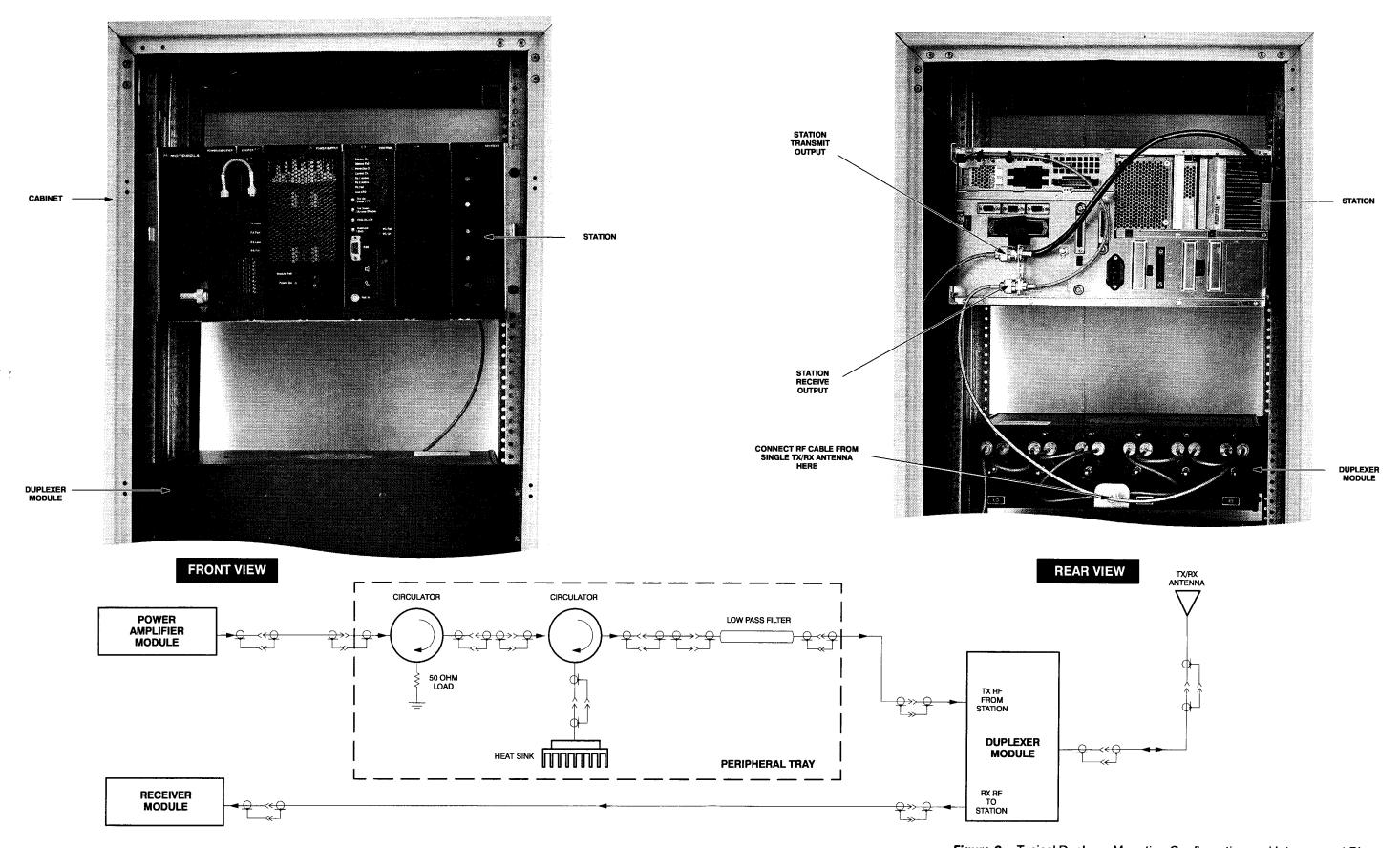


Figure 3. Typical Duplexer Mounting Configuration and Interconnect Diagram

#### FIELD TUNING PROCEDURE

Duplexer modules shipped with stations are tuned at the factory. If a duplexer must be replaced in the field, the unit must be installed and tuned specifically to the transmit and receive frequency pair for the particular station.

#### Field Tuning Overview

**Note:** This tuning procedure is valid for channels with a bandwidth of 200 kHz or less. If bandwidth is more than 200 kHz, the duplexer must be tuned by the service depot.

The duplexer module is comprised of three low-pass/high-notch cavities and three high-pass/low-notch cavities. Each set of three cavities provides bandpass filtering for either the transmit rf signal or the receive rf signal. In general, the duplexer must be tuned so that the transmit cavity set passes the transmit signal and rejects the receive signal; concurrently, the receive cavity set must be tuned to pass the receive signal and reject the transmit signal.

Tuning is performed by injecting rf signals and making tuning adjustments (using the resonator and notch adjusting screws) while monitoring for maximum or minimum readings on the rf millivoltmeter. Field tuning the duplexer module requires the following general adjustments:

- Tune high—pass/low—notch cavities for maximum pass and reject response
- Tune low-pass/high-notch cavities for maximum pass and reject response
- Check high-pass/low-notch and low-pass/high-notch cavities for insertion loss
- Check high-pass/low-notch and low-pass/high-notch cavities for isolation

#### **Required Test Equipment**

Field tuning of the duplexer module requires the following test equipment:

- Motorola R2001 Communications Analyzer (or equivalent)
- RF Millivoltmeter (Boonton 92E or equivalent)
- RF Signal Generator (HP8656B or equivalent)
- 50Ω N-type terminator
- Tuning tool (5/32" x 4" screwdriver)
- N-to-N bullet connector (UG29A/U or equivalent)
- 7/16" Nutdriver
- 7/16" Open End Wrench
- N-to-BNC Adapter (UG349A/U)
- N-to-N Connector (UG57B/U)

#### **Setting Up for Tuning Duplexer**

Perform the preliminary tasks shown in Figure 4 to prepare for tuning the duplexer module.

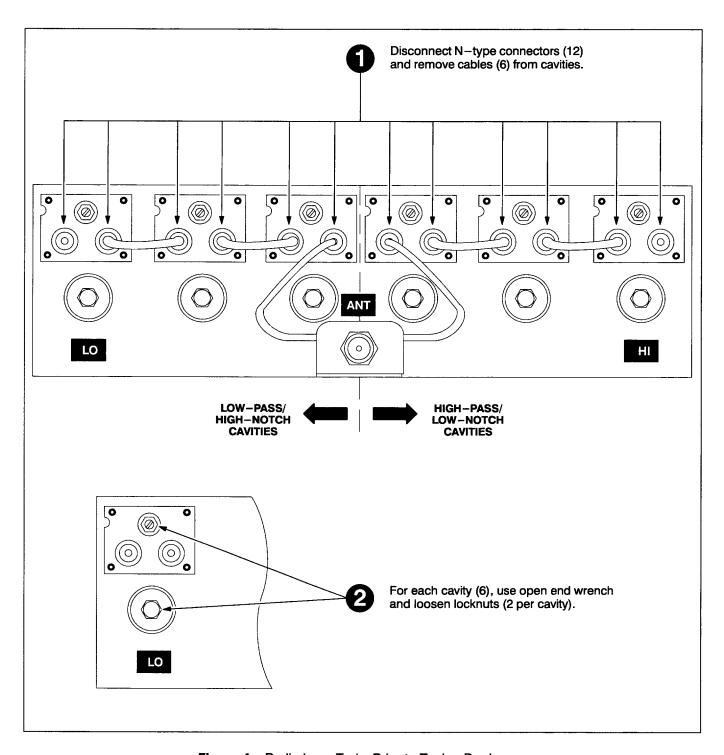


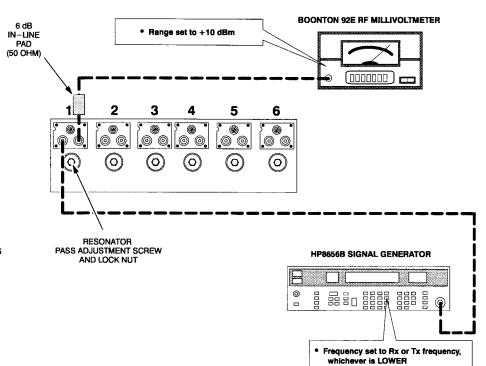
Figure 4. Preliminary Tasks Prior to Tuning Duplexer

#### **Duplexer Tuning Procedure**

The duplexer field tuning procedures are provided in Figure 5. The procedures are most easily performed with the duplexer module removed from the station rack or cabinet. Be sure to make note of the transmit and receive frequencies for the particular station before beginning.

If the duplexer module is tuned according to instructions and does not meet specifications for return loss, insertion loss, and/or isolation, you must return the duplexer for repair.

#### **TUNING LOW PASS RESONATORS**



Output level set to +10 dBr

#### **TUNING HIGH PASS RESONATORS**

Set up test equipment as shown.

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adjustment screw for cavity #1 to

Use open end wrench and tighten

adjustment screw does not shift

Repeat steps 2 & 3 for cavities 2

lock nut carefully, making sure pass

Use nut driver to adjust pass

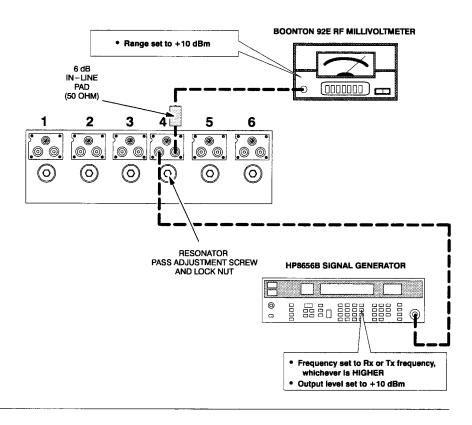
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millivoltmeter.

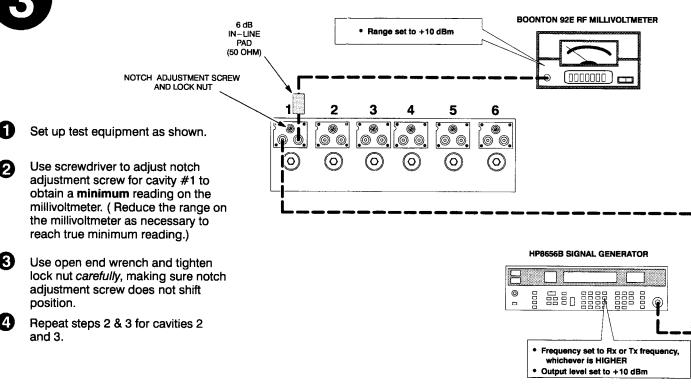
position.

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- Use nut driver to adjust pass adjustment screw for cavity #4 to obtain a PEAK reading on the millivoltmeter.
- Use open end wrench and tighten lock nut carefully, making sure pass adjustment screw does not shift position.
- Repeat steps 2 & 3 for cavities 5 and 6.



## **TUNING HIGH NOTCH LOOP ASSEMBLIES**



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#### **TUNING LOW NOTCH LOOP ASSEMBLIES**

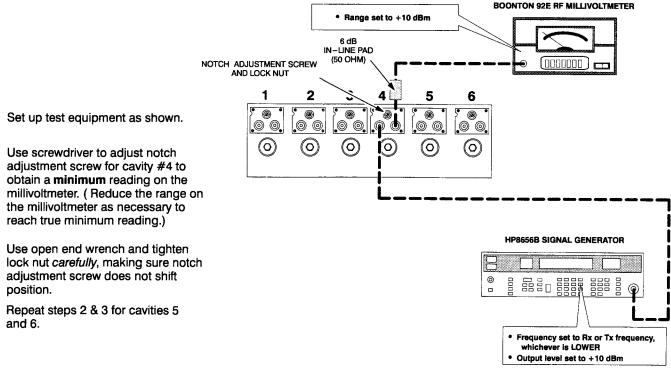
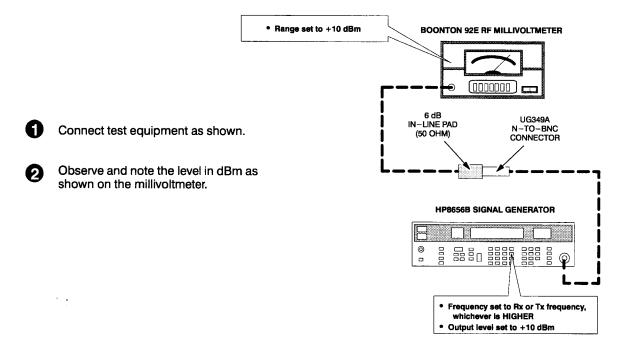


Figure 5. Quantar / Quantro UHF Duplexer Field Tuning Procedure (Sheet 1 of 3)

### **VERIFYING INSERTION LOSS**



- Connect the duplexer cables and test equipment to the duplexer as shown.
- Observe and note the level in dBm as shown on the millivoltmeter.
- Subtract the absolute number noted in Step 2 from the number noted in Step 4. The difference should be less than 1.3 dB to meet specification for Insertion Loss.
- Repeat Steps 1 5 for Low–Pass/High– Notch cavities with the following exceptions:
  - 1) Set Frequency Generator for Rx or Tx frequency, whichever is **LOWER**
  - Connect Millivoltmeter to Low Pass duplexer input (cavity #1)
  - 3) Connect terminator to cavity #6.

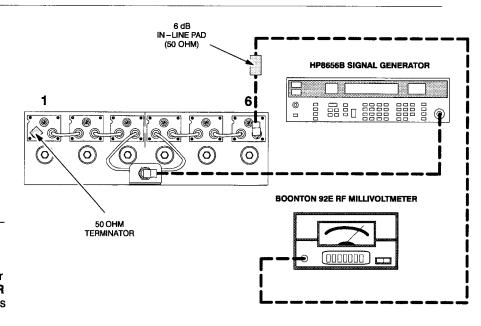
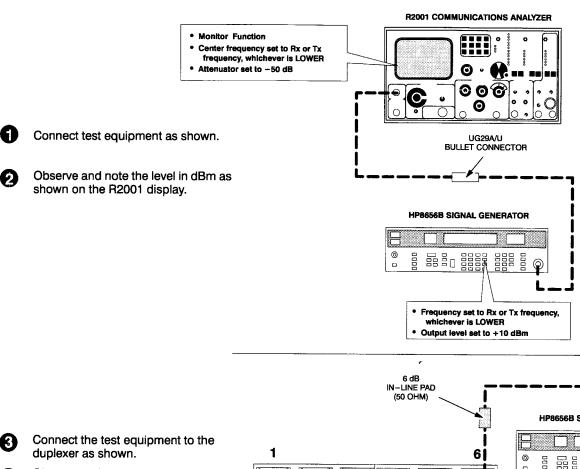
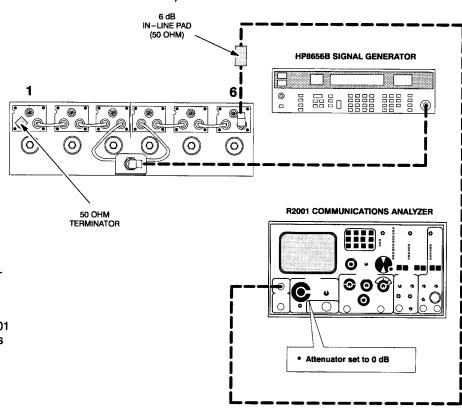


Figure 5. Quantar / Quantro UHF Duplexer Field Tuning Procedure (Sheet 2 of 3)

# 6 VERIFYING ISOLATION



- Observe and note the level in dBm as shown on the R2001 display. (If no number is displayed, consider isolation to be greater than 105 dB, which exceeds the specification.)
- Subtract the absolute number noted in Step 4 from the number noted in Step 2. The difference should be higher than 100 dB to meet specification for Isolation.
- Repeat Steps 1 5 for Low-Pass/High-Notch cavities with the following exceptions:
  - Set Frequency Generator and R2001 for Rx or Tx frequency, whichever is HIGHER
  - 2) Connect R2001 to Low Pass duplexer input (cavity #1)
  - 3) Connect terminator to cavity #6.



#### **POST-TUNING CHECKS**

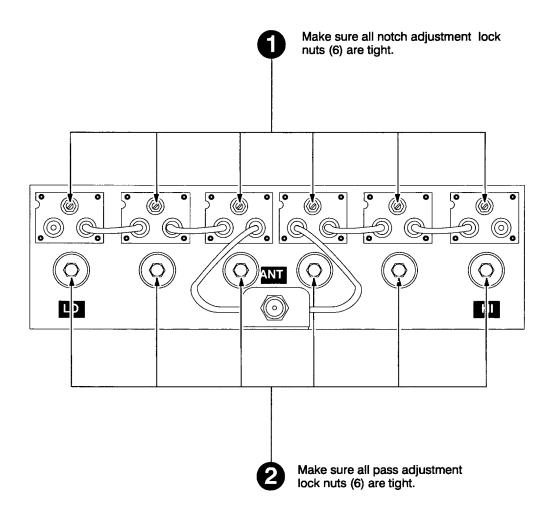


Figure 5. Quantar/Quantro UHF Duplexer Field Tuning Procedure (Sheet 3 of 3)