

Technical
Information
Manual

MOD. N 96

*EIGHT-FOLD FAST
DISCRIMINATOR*

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8 CHS DISCRIMINATOR

CH1 WDT IN
T.P. THR OUT

CH2 WDT IN
T.P. THR OUT

CH3 WDT IN
T.P. THR OUT

CH4 WDT IN
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CH5 WDT IN
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CH6 WDT IN
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CH7 WDT IN
T.P. THR OUT

CH8 WDT IN
T.P. THR OUT

Ser. N°

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DESCRIPTION

Model N 96 is an 8-channel fast discriminator, with std NIM outputs, in a one-unit wide NIM module.

High or low impedance inputs ordering options are available; with high impedance it is possible to cascade multiple sections (a 50 Ω termination is required on the last unit of the daisy-chain).

On each section it is possible to adjust both the threshold level and the output pulse width: the selection of the full scale range is made by a single DIP switch on the PCB for the threshold level (total range 20 to 380 mV) and by a DIP-2 switch for the output width (total range 7 to 300 ns). Both parameters can then be continuously adjusted via the front-panel trimmers THR and WDT.

Each section has also a Test Point (TP) to monitor the threshold level on a DC voltmeter. Three outputs (2 normal, 1 complementary logic) are available per channel.

SPECIFICATIONS (each section)

Input characteristics

Number 1 high or low impedance

Threshold continuously adjustable via front-panel trimmer THR over two ranges
selected by DIP switch on PCB. Range is 20 to 380 mV.

Output characteristics

Number 2 normal, 1 complementary logic, 50 Ω impedance, std NIM levels.

Rise-Fall Time ... ≤ 1.6 ns

Pulse Width continuously adjustable with front-panel trimmer WDT over three ranges
selected by DIP switch on PCB. Range is 7 to 300 ns.

General

Maximum Rate 85 MHz

Double Pulse Resolution 9 ns

Input-Output Delay 16 ns

All connectors are **LEMO 00** type

POWER REQUIREMENTS +6V 120 mA
 -6V 2100 mA

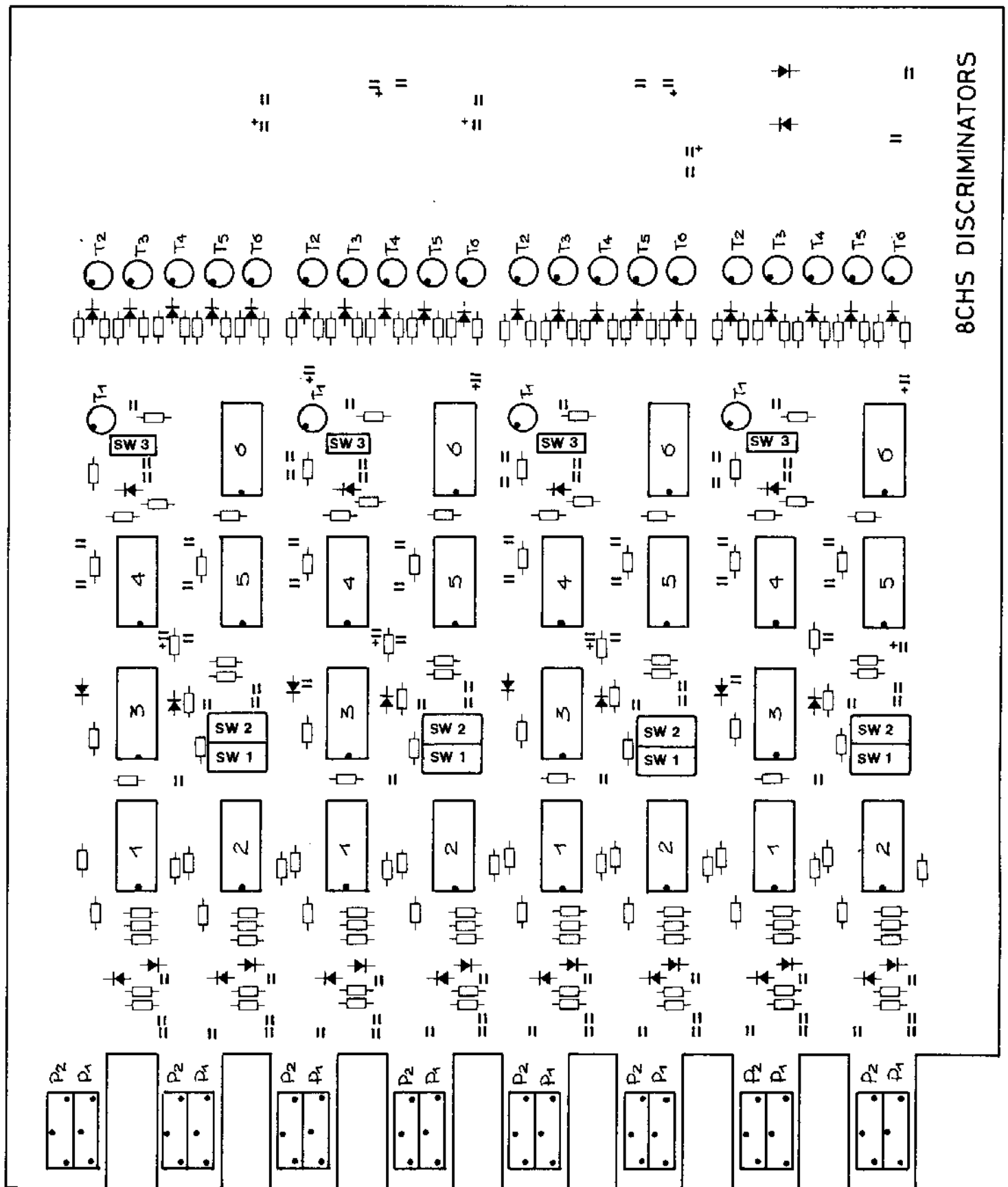
TEST PROCEDURES

(on 1 of 8 identical channels)

Necessary instruments: 100 MHz pulse generator NIM standard output; Oscilloscope Tektronix Model 475A or equivalent; Digital Voltmeter; 36 dB dynamic Attenuator.

Procedures:

- 1) Check that the voltage threshold available on the tp monitor point on the front panel is varied continuously by the THR front panel trimmer by the dip-switch SW1 on the printed board.
- 2) Turn trimmers WDT and THR completely anti-clockwise.
- 3) Feed the IN entry a signal compatible with the input specifications.
- 4) After having fixed the input amplitude signal by the attenuator, check the presence of a NIM signal std. (16 mA, 50 Ω) at the OUT and $\overline{\text{OUT}}$ outputs, equal in frequency to the input.
- 5) Controlling the WDT trimmer and the dip-switches SW2 (SW3) check that the output signal width varies continuously in the limits foreseen by the output specifications.
- 6) Turn the THR trimmer clock-wise until the output signal ends.
- 7) Check that the input signal amplitude is equal to the voltage threshold $\pm 5\%$.
- 8) Repeat points 4,5,6,7 for the increasing input amplitude signal.



8CHS DISCRIMINATORS

LIST OF COMPONENTS

(1 of 8 identical channels)

I. C.s.

| | | | |
|---------|-------|------------|-------|
| IC1,IC2 | ..... | AM 685 ADL | (2) |
| IC6 | ..... | MC10101 | (1) |
| IC4,IC5 | ..... | MC10216 | (2) |
| IC3 | ..... | MC10231 | (1) |

TRANSISTORS

| | | | |
|-------------|-------|---------------|-------|
| T1+T3,T1+T3 | | 2N918 Philips | (6) |
|-------------|-------|---------------|-------|

DIODES

| | | | |
|-------------|-------|-------------------|-------|
| D1+D3,D1+D3 | ..... | 1N914 | (6) |
| D4+D6,D4+D6 | ..... | HP2800 or IIP2900 | (6) |

CAPACITORS

| | | | |
|---------------|-------|--------|--------|
| C3,C3 | ..... | 15 pF | (2) |
| C4,C4 | ..... | 22 pF | (2) |
| C1,C1 | ..... | 47 pF | (2) |
| C2,C2 | ..... | 100 pF | (2) |
| C5,C5 | ..... | 150 pF | (2) |
| C7+C13,C7+C13 | ..... | 10 nF | (16) |
| C6,C6 | ..... | 2.7 pF | (2) |
| C14,C14 | ..... | 82 pF | (2) |

TRIMMERS

Elipot Beckman 7286

| | | | |
|-------|-------|----------------|-------|
| P2,P2 | ..... | 20 K Ω | (2) |
| P1,P1 | ..... | 100 K Ω | (2) |

RESISTORS

1/4 W 5% unless otherwise specified

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|----------------------|----------|
| R2,R2 | ..... | 5.6 Ω | (2) |
| R9,R9 | ..... | 33 Ω | (2) |
| R11,R11 | ..... | 160 Ω | (2) |
| R16,R18,R20,R16,R18,R20 | ..... | 215 Ω | 1% (6) |
| R4,R4 | ..... | 316 Ω | 1% (2) |
| R13,R14,R13,R14 | ..... | 330 Ω | (4) |
| R3,R3 | ..... | 464 Ω | 1% (2) |
| R7,R8,R7,R8 | ..... | 470 Ω | (4) |
| R15,R17,R19,R15,R17,R19 | ..... | 560 Ω | (6) |
| R10,R10 | ..... | 1 K Ω | (2) |
| R1,R1 | ..... | 2.2 K Ω or 51 | (2) |
| R5,R5 | ..... | 3.83 K Ω | 1% (2) |
| R12,R12 | ..... | 3.9 K Ω | (2) |
| R6,R6 | ..... | 33 K Ω | (2) |
| R21 | ..... | 10 K Ω | (2) |

SWITCHES

| | | | |
|-------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|
| SW1,SW2,SW3 | | DIP Switches 2 way 2 pos. | (3) |
|-------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|