



# Trouble-shooting Manual MODEL 259 VOLTAGE TO FREQUENCY CONVERTER (PRECISION OSCILLATOR) PART NUMBER 12M03-00146-01

## BENCH TEST

### TEST MATERIAL REQUIRED:

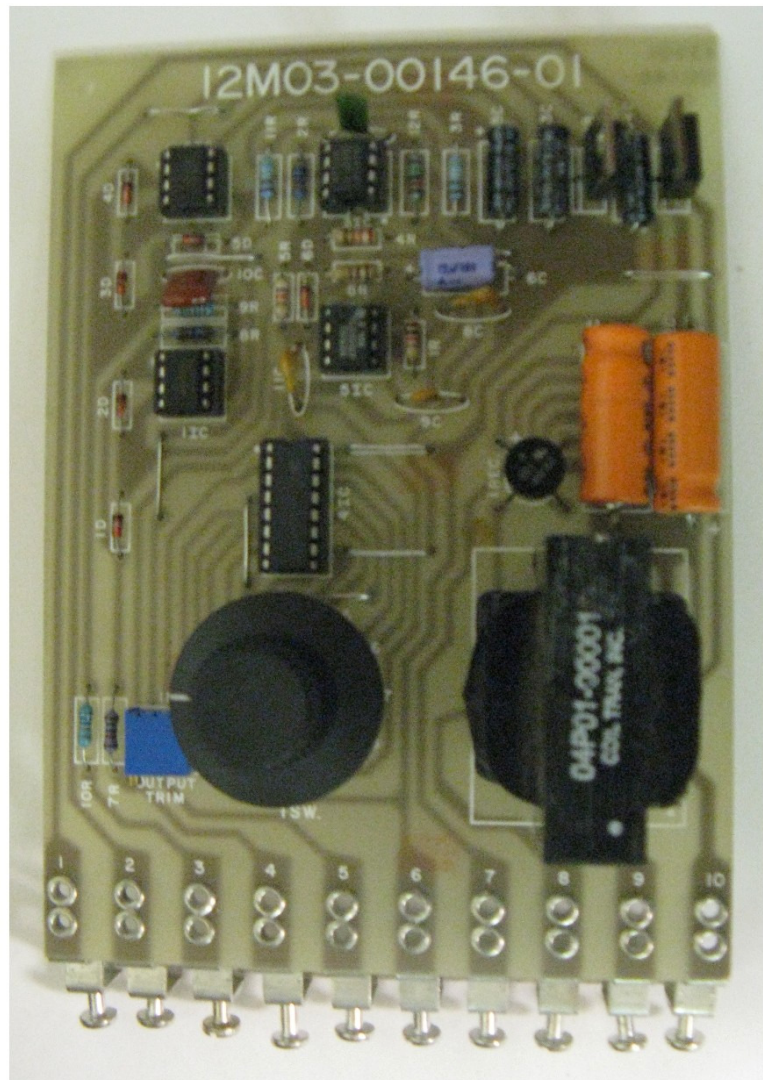
- 1 - 0 to 10V DC Precise Voltage Reference (Use REFLEX® P/N 12M03-00102)
- 1 - DVM (Fluke 8020A or Equivalent)
- 1 - Oscilloscope
- 1 - Frequency Counter
- 1 - 120V AC Source

NOTE: ALL MEASUREMENT AND INPUTS MADE WITH COMMON ON TERMINAL 8.

### PROCEDURE:

1. Turn 1SW to position 1; apply +10.0V to terminal 4 with common on terminal 8 and connect a frequency counter and oscilloscope to terminal 5, with commons on terminal 8.
2. Apply 120V AC to terminals 9 and 10.
3. Vary 1P from full CCW to full CW. Observe a frequency of 25 KHz or less in full CCW position and 60 HKz or more in full CW position.
4. Adjust 1P for 50.0 KHz and observe the output on terminal 5 with the oscilloscope. It should be a positive pulse 15V P-P, 4 to 7 microseconds long.
5. Compare the following nominal output frequencies with the switch position:

| 1SW | Frequency |
|-----|-----------|
| 1   | 50.0 KHz  |
| 2   | 25.0 KHz  |
| 3   | 12.5 KHz  |
| 4   | 6.25 KHz  |
| 5   | 3.12 KHz  |
| 6   | 1.56 KHz  |
| 7   | 781 Hz    |
| 8   | 391 Hz    |
| 9   | 196 Hz    |
| 10  | 97.6 Hz   |
| 11  | 48.8 Hz   |
| 12  | 24.4 Hz   |



### VOLTAGE CHECKS (with common on terminal 8)

| Terminal | Nominal Voltage |
|----------|-----------------|
| 1        | -6V             |
| 2        | +6V             |
| 6        | +15V            |
| 7        | -15V            |



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SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM 12M03-00146-01

## I. SPECIFICATIONS

### SUPPLY:

- 120 volts AC  $\pm 10\%$   
50/60 Hz, Single Phase

### AMBIENT TEMPERATURE:

- 0° to 40°C (32° to 104°F)
- 50°C in cabinet

### INPUT:

- 0 to 10 volts DC positive or negative

### OUTPUT:

- Pulses of 15V magnitude 4 to 7 microseconds long, maximum load of 150 mA source, 50 mA sink.

Frequencies corresponding to 10V DC input: 6 Hz to 60 KHz with 12 ranges selected by a 12 position switch. Any given range has approximately 3 to 1 adjustment with the OUTPUT TRIM potentiometer.

LINEARITY: Within 0.1% of full scale.

DRIFT: 100 PPM per degree C maximum from 0° to 50°C.

MOUNTING: Standard Reflex® 10 terminal chassis (P/N 12M04-00011).

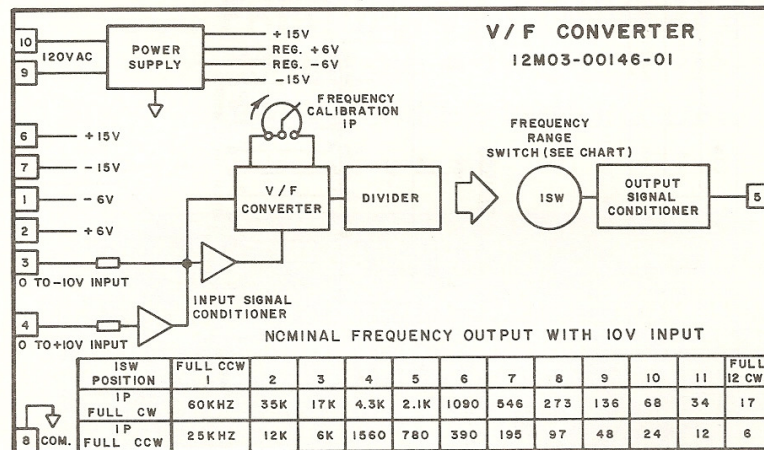


FIGURE 1. SIMPLIFIED SCHEMATIC

## II. THEORY OF OPERATION

The REFLEX® Model 259 Voltage to Frequency Converter is a circuit that converts a DC input to a train of pulses whose frequency is determined by the magnitude of the input voltage and the position of an on-board selector switch.

The circuit consists of the following sections as shown on the Simplified Schematic, Figure 1.

1. Power Supply
2. Input Signal Conditioner
3. Voltage to Frequency Converter
4. Divider
5. Output Signal Conditioner

1. **Power Supply** — The power supply uses a center-tapped transformer with 10 volts on each side of center together with a bridge rectifier and two 470 MF filter capacitors to provide a nominal positive and negative unregulated 15 volts DC with respect to the transformer center-tap which is connected to circuit common.

Additionally, a regulated positive and negative 6 volts is obtained from the positive and negative 15 volt supplies using regulators 1VR and 2VR each with a 10 MF filter capacitor.

2. **Signal Conditioner** — This section consists of two precision op-amps, 11C and 21C. 11C serves as an inverter to change the polarity of the signal at input terminal 4 from positive to negative.

The negative signal from 11C or from input terminal 3 becomes the input signal to op-amp 21C. Op-amp 21C receives its feedback from a single chip Voltage-to-Frequency Converter, 31C.

3. **Voltage to Frequency Converter** — This section takes the output of 21C and converts it to pulses with a frequency adjustable over an approximate 3 to 1 range by the "OUTPUT TRIM" potentiometer 1P. For a 10 volt input the output frequency ranges from approximately 25KHz to 60KHz depending on the setting of 1P.

4. **Divider** — A 12-stage binary counter, 41C is used as a divider to select lower frequencies on a binary progression. The divider ratio is selected by a rotary 12-position switch.

All binary divider numbers representing decimal divisions of 2 to 4096 except 8 are available. If division by 8 is required, division by 4 can be selected with an input of zero to 5 volts instead of zero to 10 volts.



5. **Output Signal Conditioner** — This section takes the pulses from the selector switch and acts as a one-shot multivibrator to provide a standard, buffered output pulse of 15 volts, 5  $\mu$  sec and up to 150 mA driving capability. For driving TTL Circuits, the sink capability is a minimum of 50 mA.

**COMPONENT LIST — ASSEMBLY #12M03-00146-01**

| Symbol | Part #         | Description (Acceptable Substitute) *  | Symbol | Part #         | Description (Acceptable Substitute) * |
|--------|----------------|--|--------|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1T     | 04P01-00001    | Transformer - 120V AC PRI, two<br>10V AC SEC @ 220 mA<br>(Signal - PC20-220) | 3-5C   | 03P01-10001-00 | Capacitor - 10MF, 16V, Electrolytic   |
| 1REC   | 05P01-00003    | Rectifier Bridge - 50V, 1A (EDI-PF50)  | 6C     | 03P01-25001-00 | Capacitor - 25MF, 16V, Electrolytic   |
| 1-6D   | 05P02-00001    | Diode - Signal, 50mA, 200 PIV<br>(1N4148)                                    | 7C     | 03P07-10210-00 | Capacitor - .001MF, 50V, Film         |
| 1VR    | 05P08-00006    | +6V Regulator (7806)   | 8C     | 03P06-22105-00 | Capacitor - 220PF, 50V, Ceramic       |
| 2VR    | 05P08-00007    | -6V Regulator (7906)   | 9C     | 03P06-10305-00 | Capacitor - .01MF, 50V, Ceramic       |
| 1, 2IC | 05P08-00005    | Precision Op-Amp (Fairchild 714HC)   | 10C    | 03P07-47310-00 | Capacitor - .047MF, 100V, Film        |
| 3IC    | 05P10-00003    | V/F Converter (4151)   | 11C    | 03P06-10105-00 | Capacitor - 100PF, 50V, Ceramic       |
| 4IC    | 05P09-00004    | Counter (4040)   | 1R     | 01P01-10300-02 | Resistor - 10K, 1/4W, 5%              |
| 5IC    | 05P08-00003    | Timer (LM555)  | 2,7,8R | 01P02-10021-01 | Resistor - 10.0K, 1/2W, 1%            |
| 1SW    | 09P01-00008    | Switch, 12 Pos. Rotary (Power<br>Dynamics JPB-100-PC-Q)                      | 3,11R  | 01P02-49911-01 | Resistor - 4.99K, 1/2W, 1%            |
| 1P     | 02P05-10301-02 | Potentiometer - 10K, 1/4W, 5%, 25T<br>(Bournes-3299P-1-103)                  | 4R     | 01P01-22200-02 | Resistor - 2.2K, 1/4W, 5%             |
| 1,2C   | 03P01-47102-01 | Capacitor - 470MF, 25V, Electrolytic   | 5R     | 01P01-47300-02 | Resistor - 47K, 1/4W, 5%              |
|        |                |  | 6R     | 01P01-10100-02 | Resistor - 100 Ohm, 1/4W, 5%          |
|        |                |  | 9,10R  | 01P02-20031-01 | Resistor - 200K, 1/2W, 1%             |
|        |                |  | 12R    | 01P02-15021-01 | Resistor - 15.0K, 1/2W, 1%            |

\* OR EQUAL



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