# Instruction Manual



CT-1/P6040

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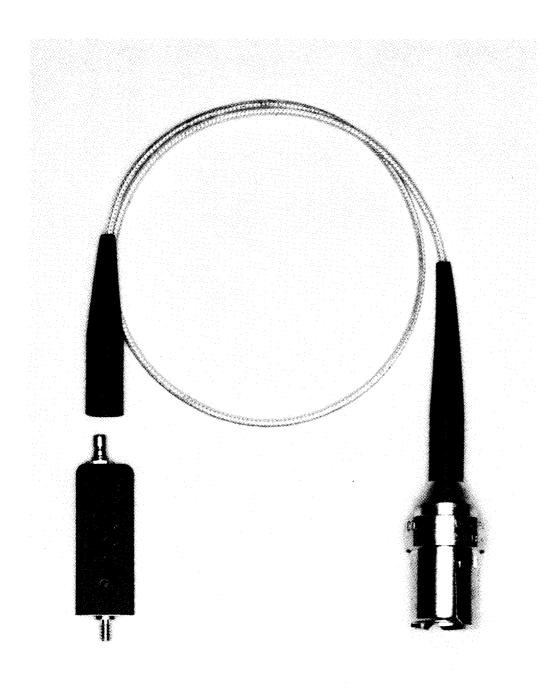
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CT-1 Nanosecond Current Transformer and P6040 Probe.

## CT-1/P6040 CHARACTERISTICS

### General Information

The CT-1 Nanosecond Current Transformer, with the P6040 Probe, is particularly useful for measuring high-frequency signal currents in transistorized circuitry without modifying the circuit under test. The CT-1 inductively meters current through a conductor and develops a voltage proportional to the current. The CT-1 has an internal terminating resistor that reduces reflections so that the CT-1 can be left in the circuit without external connections. The LR time constant of the CT-1/P6040 system is approximately 5  $\mu$ sec. The CT-1 is designed to use with high-frequency oscilloscopes and is directly compatible with all Tektronix sampling plug-in units, such as the Type 3S76, 4S1 and 4S2. A simplified circuit diagram of the CT-1 is shown in Fig. 1.

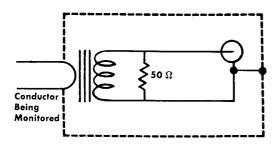


Fig. 1. CT-1 simplified circuit.

The P6040 Probe provides a flexible plug-in interconnecting cable for the CT-1. The P6040 Probe can also be used with Amphenol series 27 Sub-Minax or Sealectro Sub-Miniature RF test-point connectors.

#### CT-1 With P6040 Probe

Sensitivity ...... 5 mv/ma into a 50  $\Omega$  load. Pulse Response .... Risetime equal to or less than 0.35 nsec, 10% to 90%. Aberrations less than 5% during first 5 nsec. Decay.\*

Frequency Response See Fig. 2.

Insertion Impedance 50  $\Omega$  termination: 1  $\Omega$  shunt-

ed by approximately  $5 \mu h$ . Unterminated:  $2 \Omega$  shunted by approximately  $5 \mu h$ .

Capacitive

Loading\*\* ..... No. 14 bare wire, typically 1.5 pf. No. 20 bare wire,

typically 0.6 pf.

Maximum Voltage on Circuit Under

Test ..... 1000 vdc.

Signal Delay ..... Approximately

measured from 50% points on leading edge of the current step and output voltage. CT-1 only: 0.4 nsec.

2.8 nsec

Effect of Direct

Current ...... 0.6 amp dc changes pulse response to  $\pm 3\%$  —(2t/

50)%. (See Fig. 2 and Fig.

4).

Pulse Current

Rating ...... 100 amps peak, with an amp-sec product of 1 amp-

 $\mu sec.$  When this product is exceeded, the core saturates and the CT-1 output

drops to zero.

Rms Current

Rating ...... 500 ma maximum.

Output Connector . Amphenol Sub-Minax No.

27-3.

Dimensions ......  $\frac{3}{8} \times \frac{9}{16} \times \frac{113}{16}$  inches plus

 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 6-32 mounting stud.

#### P6040 Probe Only

Impedance ...... 50  $\Omega$ ,  $\pm 5\%$ .

Attenuation ..... X1

Signal Loss ..... 0.7 db at 1000 mc.

Risetime ..... Less than 0.2 nsec, 10% to

90%.

Voltage Rating . . . . 500 vdc.

Output Connector . GR-874.

\*\* Capacitance added to a conductor when passed through the CT-1. With No. 14 wire, this capacitance and the inductance of the conductor form a transmission line with a Z<sub>o</sub> of approximately 50 ohms; No. 20 wire produces a Z<sub>o</sub> of about 100 ohms.

<sup>\*</sup>  $\pm 3\%$  at 100 mc. For pulses, LR decay may be approximated by the linear expression  $\pm 3\%$  — (1/50)% where (1) is in nsec (limit, 1000 nsec). For example, output of the CT-1 decays 10% in 500 nsec.

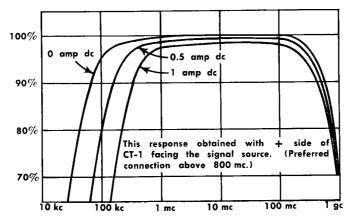


Fig. 2. Typical frequency response.

#### OPERATING INFORMATION

#### Introduction

A number of CT-1 transformers can be placed on a chassis or circuit board to meter the current in transistors, diodes, or other components. The P6040 Probe is used to connect the CT-1 to the oscilloscope. Coaxial cable can be added to the P6040 Probe. For cable lengths under 5 nsec, use RG-58A/U; under 20 nsec, use RG-8A/U so that the CT-1 high-speed characteristics are not altered significantly. The CT-1 can be connected to monitoring jacks through either RG-174A/U or RG-178A/U cable. Use an Amphenol Sub-Minax No. 27-1 or Sealectro Sub-Miniature No. 3100 RF connectors with RG-174A/U cable. For RG-178A/U cable, use Sealectro No. 3110 RF connectors.

When observing the output of the CT-1, the P6040 Probe should be working into 50 ohms. If the input of the oscilloscope is not 50 ohms, use suitable matching adapters.

If the CT-1 is connected so that the + side faces the signal source, the input current and output voltage will be in phase. This is the preferred connection. For pulses with a risetime slower than 1 nsec, the CT-1 may be connected in either polarity.

#### Care and Maintenance

Only normal handling considerations are necessary with the CT-1 and P6040 Probe.

The CT-1 is a sealed unit and should not be disassembled. If damaged, replace as a unit. (See "Replaceable Parts" at the rear of this manual.)

#### **Output Waveforms**

Fig. 3 illustrates the output of the CT-1 compared with the input pulse from a Tektronix Type 109 Pulse Generator. The decay characteristics of the CT-1 are shown in Fig. 4.

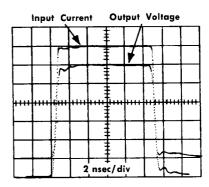


Fig. 3. CT-1 typical output with 10 nsec, 120 ma input pulse.

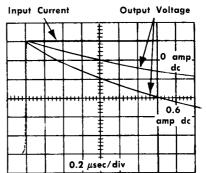
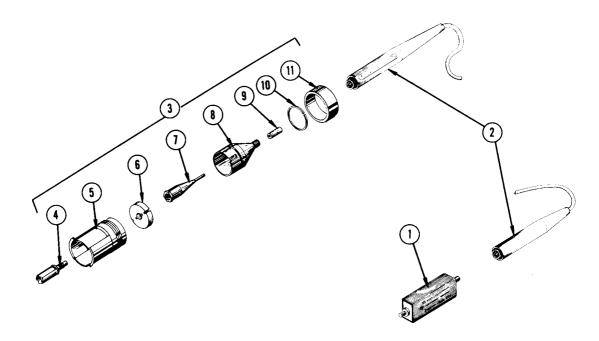


Fig. 4. CT-1 typical output showing decay characteristics.

#### REPLACEABLE PARTS



REF.	TEKTRONIX	SERIAL/A	MODEL NO.	Q	DESCRIPTION
NO.	PART NO.	EFF.	DISC.	Ÿ.	1 2 3 4 5
PROE	BE PACKAGE				
1—11	015-0041-00			1	PROBE PACKAGE, CT-1/P6040
				-	probe package includes:
1	015-0040-00			1	CT-1 NSEC CURRENT TRANSFORMER
	BE ONLY				
2—11	010-0133-00			1	PROBE, P6040
				-	probe includes:
2	1 <i>7</i> 5-0269-00			1	CABLE ASSEMBLY
3	132-0105-00			1	ADAPTER ASSEMBLY
				-	adapter includes:
4	132-0029-00			1	CONDUCTOR, inner
5	132-0002-00			1	SLEEVE, outer conductor
6	132-0028-00			1	INSULATOR
7	132-0104-00			1	CONDUCTOR, center
8	132-0103-00			1	ADAPTER
9	166-0281-00			1	INSULATOR, sleeve
10				1	RING, snap
11	132-0001-00			1	NUT, coupling
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	070-0375-00			]	MANUAL, instruction (not shown)