The SR-209

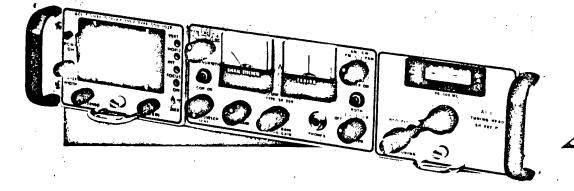
Receiving System

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 - □ Field Strength □ RF Monitoring □ Laboratory
 - General HF/VHF/UHF Communications



- ☐ AM-FM-CW Pulse Reception
- □ Frequency Range of 2 MHz to 7 GHz

The first and only

□ Wide Selection IF Bandwidths

completely solid state, modular

- □ Low Noise Figure
- receiving system with
- in controller with
- □ Companion Signal Display Units
- such outstanding features as
- Optional Battery Operation
- Low Oscillator Radiation and Many More Features



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he Astro Communication Laboratory type SR-209 solid state, modular receiving system is an extremely unique and highly versatile communication system. It is capable of reception of AM, FM, CW and Pulse signals in the frequency range of 2 MHz to 7 GHz. It will accommodate a signal display unit to provide a visual display of signals in a band around the received signal. It will accept a rechargeable nickel cadmium battery pack for portable operation. The receiver is small; designed for standard 19 inch rack mounting; the panel is only 3½ inches high.

The system is entirely solid state and with the ACL modular concept provides excellent MTBF and reduces maintenance to a very minimum. Printed circuit boards are used extensively and provide a reliability and case of servicing. For example the power supply circuitry is a plug-in printed circuit board as are the audio, video, AGC and others. The 1F amplifier with matching FM demodulator is a plug-in board. To provide an even greater reliability and superior performance FET's are being used in all circuits where feasible.

In the SR-209 receiver three IF amplifier FM demodulator boards may be used at one time with operational selection by front panel switch. For VHF/UHF wide selection of IF bandwidths from 10 KHz to 8 MHz are available. In HF there are three bandwidths as specified.

The unusually wide frequency range of 2 MHz to 7 GHz for a manually tuned receiver is provided through the use of ten plug-in RF tuning heads. There are three such tuners in the HF range (2 MHz to 6 MHz, 6 MHz to 20MHz and 20MHz to 45MHz) which carry the series 100 designation. In the VHF frequencies there are three tuning heads, four in UHF and one in SHF to 7000 MHz as shown on the specifications. These are designated series 200 tuners.

The basic SR-209 receiver will accept any two plug-in tuners at one time. A front panel switch enables the selection of either tuner. If a visual display of the signal is desired, one tuner may be replaced by the ACL type SDU-102AP plug-in signal display unit for VHF/UHF/SHF ranges or the SDU-101AP for the above three series 100 HF tuners.

To make the receiver completely self-sufficient for field use a battery pack plug-in unit may be used in lieu of one tuner. No adjustments or changes in the receiver are necessary when this nickel cadmium battery pack is installed. A built-in charger is provided in the battery pack unit.

As in all ACL receivers the front ends employ at least two section preselectors at the RF input to provide maximum reduction of cross modulation and intermodulation interferences.

The SR-209 basic receiver contains a carrier operated relay to control accessary equipment such as recorders. All operating controls are located on the front panel of the SR-209 and except for the phone jack all inputs and outputs are located on the rear panel. An exception to this is the optional first local oscillator output which is provided on the plug-in tuning head panel. Two meters, one for tuning and one for signal strength, are on the receiver front panel.

SPECIFICATIONS

Type of Reception	AM, FM, CW, and Pulse
Input Impedance	50 ohms nominal, unbalanced to ground
AM Stability	VHF: Output varies less than 6 db for input range of 70 db above 3.5 uv UHF: Output varies less than 6 db for input range of 70 db above 5 uv
FM StabilityIF	Bandwidths from 10 to 300 KHz: Output varies less than 2db for input above 1.5 uv F bandwidths 500 KHz and wider: Output varies less than 2 db for input above 4 uv
Pulse Stability	Output varies less than 10 db for input range of 70 db above 5 uv
Audio Power Output	
Video Amplifier Output	5 V P-P maximum output into a 93 ohm load
Video Amplifier Response	
Video Output Impedance	
BFO	Operable with 10 to 250 KHz bandwidths BFO Pitch: ±20 KHz minimum
Signal Display Output	21.4 mc center frequency
Rear Panel Connections	RF Input (50 ohms), Output for External Signal Display Unit, External Speaker Output, AC Power Input, Video Output, COR Delay On-Off, COR Switch Output
Meters	
Front Panel Controls	Power On-Off, Audio Gain, Video Gain, RF Gain, IF Bandwidth Selection, AM-FM-CW-Pulse Function Switch, COR Visual Indicator, COR Sensitivity Adjustment, Phone Jack
Weight	
Dimensions	
Power	Input: 50-400 cps, 115 vac (230 vac opt.), Wattage: Approximately 25 watts (with SDU)
Finish	Gray Enamel per MiL-E-15090, Color No. 26329, Federal Standard 595; Hard anodized satin finish overlay with black etched lettering

PLUG-IN RF TUNING HEADS

All plug-in tuning heads are designed for installation in the receiver without adjustment or alignment of any kind. All plug-in tuning heads employ at least a two-section preselector at the RF input. All tuners have AGC to allow handling of large RF signals. AFC is also provided. Local Oscillator output is provided through front panel connector.

Model	Tuning Range	MF Max.	IF Rej. Min.	image Rej. Min.	Osc. Rad. Max.
SH-102 P	2- 6 MHz	8 db	60 db	60 db	` 5 uv
SH-103 P	6- 20 MHz	- 6 db	90 db	60 db	5 uv
SH-104 P	20- 45 MHz	6 db	90 db	60 db	5 uv
SH-200 P-1	20- 45 MHz	4.5 db	90 db	65 db	10 uv
SH-201 P-1	30- 100 MHz	4.5 db (to 90 Mi 5.5 db (above 90		60 db	8 uv
SH-202 P-1	90- 300 MHz	6.5 db	80 db	50 db	15 uv to 260 MHz (25 uv above 260 MHz)
SH-203 P-1	250- 500 MHz	10.0 db	90 db	60 db	5 uv
SH-204 P-1	490-1000 MHz	12.0 db	90 db	80 db	50 uv
SH-205 P-1	1- 2 GHz	14.0 db	90 db	60 db	300 uv
SH-206 AP-1	2- 4 GHz	15.0 db	90 db	60 db	300 uv
SH-207 P-1	4- 7 GHz	16.0 db	90 db	50 db	300 uv

IF AMPLIFIER/DEMODULATOR SPECIFICATIONS

Operated with	IF Beard Medel	Bandwidth (3 db, KHz)	Conter Frequency MNz	BFO	AM Sensitivity Required RF Input to Produce 18 db (S + M)/M Minimum	FM Sensitivity Required RF Input to Produce 21 db (S + H)/H Minimum	FM Deviation Sensitivity Yelts/KHZ Minimum (at Video Output)
SM-100 Series	(IF-112-01	1	0.455	Available	— 118 dbm, 50% at 400 cps rate		0.40
RF Tuning	IF-112-05	5	0.455	Available	- 110 dbm, 50% at 400 cps rate		0.40
Heads	F-112-10	10	0.455	Available	— 107 dbm, 50% at 1 KHz rate		0.40
	(F-220-10	10	21.4 & 1.65	Available	VHF: 2 uv, 50% mod, at 1 KHz rate produce 17 db (S \pm N)/N minimum	2 uv. mod. at 1 KHz rate, 3.5 KHz dev.	0.40
	IF-220-20	20	21.4 & 1.65	Available	VHF: 2 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate produce 17 db (S + N)/N minimum	2 uv, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 7 KHz dev.	0.40
	IF-211-60	60	21.4 & 2.5	Avallable	VHF: 2 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate	2 uv, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 20 KHz dev.	0.15
	IF-211-75	75	21.4 & 2.5	Available	VHF: 2 uv, 50% mod, at 1 KHz rate	2 uv, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 25 KHz dev.	0.15
	IF-211-100	100	21.4 & 2.5	Available	VHF: 3 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate UHF: 5 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate	3 uv, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 30 KHz dev. 5 uv, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 30 KHz dev.	0.15
	IF-211-150	150	21.4 & 2.5	Available	VHF: 3.5 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate UHF: 6 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate	3.5 av, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 50 KHz dev. 6 uv, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 50 KHz dev.	0.01
SH-200 Series RF Tuning	IF-212-300	300	21.4	No	VHF: 4 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate UHF: 8 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate	4 uv, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 100 KHz dev. 8 uv, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 100 KHz dev.	0.03
Heads	IF-212-500	500	21.4	No	VHF: 5 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate UHF: 10 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate	5 uv, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 170 KHz dev. 10 uv, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 170 KHz dev.	0.02
	IF-212-1000	1000	21.4	No	VHF: 10 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate UHF: 20 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate	10 uv. mod at 1 KHz rate, 330 KHz dev. 20 uv. mod. at 1 KHz rate 330 KHz dev.	
	iF-212-2000	2000	21.4	No	VHF: 13 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate UHF: 26 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate	13 uv. mod. at 1 KHz rate, 670 KHz dev. 26 uv. mod. at 1 KHz rate, 670 KHz dev.	•
	IF-212-3000	3000	21.4	No	VHF: 14 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate UHF: 28 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate	14 uv. mod. at 1 KHz rate, 1000 KHz dev. 28 uv. mod. at 1 KHz rate, 1000 KHz dev.	
	IF-212-4000	4000	21.4	No	UHF: 30 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate	30 uy, mod. at 1 KHz rate, 1350 KHz dev.	0.003
,	IF-212-8000	8000	21.4	No	UHF: 35 uv, 50% mod. at 1 KHz rate	35 uv, mod. at 1 KHz rate 1350 KHz dev.	, 0. 003

PLUG-IN DISPLAY UNITS

ACL provides two signal display units, both of which are plug-in assemblies. The SDU-100P is used with the series 100 tuners and the SDU-102AP with the series 200 tuners. They are designed to provide a visual display of the signal to which the receiver is tuned.

CRT Size	Standard 1" x 3" display SDU-102AP From DC to 3 MHz Continuously adjustable SDU-100P 0 to 10 KHz and 0 to 50 KHz Continuously adjustable		Amplitude Response±1.5 db within any sweepwidth
			h SDU-102AP From DC to 3 MHz Continuously adjustable SDU-100P 0 to 10 KHz and 0 to 50 KHz Continuously adjustable SDU-102AP Sensitivity 10 uv at SDU input prod Crystal Marker 21.4 MHz center (Sideband on SDU-
Resolution	SDU-102AP SDU-100P	10 KHz 400 Hz and 2 KHz	455 KHz center frequency marker Linearity
Sweep Rate	SDU-102AP SDU-100P	20 Hz 4 Hz	Dimensions
IF Frequency			Power