OPERATING MANUAL

THE T-360

MULTI-PURPOSE METER



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FIGURE 1 - THE T-360 MULTIPURPOSE METER

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 DESCRIPTION

The Western Union T—360 is a multipurpose instrument used for test repair of *Teletype* equipment. It uses a special *Teletype* function switch (called a bridging/termination function) to select any of the following operations:

Normal mode Bridging mode 900 termination Tel-Set mode

600 termination

The T-360 also has a normal function switch that can be used not only in the normal-mode operation, described in 1.1. below, but also in all other modes except *Tel-Set*, with certain limitations.

See Figure 3, page 10 and Schematics 1, 2, and 3, pages 16, 17, and 18

1.2. NORMAL MODE

When operating on normal mode, the T-360 can measure low level voltages, current, and semiconductor circuit resistances without causing active components to conduct. On this setting, the unit can also be used for integrated circuit measurements.

With normal-mode operation, full *DC* amplifier gain is used when operating on *ohms*. *low power*, in contrast to operating on *ohms*. In the latter operation, the amplifier circuit, is arranged in source-follower mode with unity gain. An internal potentiometer setting makes it possible to correlate full-scale readings between both ohmmeter circuits.

AC circuitry under normal-mode operation uses a separate two-stage, FET input, feedback-stabilized amplifier. The instrument detector responds to AC average signal values, but is calibrated in RMS and read on the AC & DC scale.

1.3. BRIDGING MODE, 600 - Ω AND 900 - Ω TERMINATIONS

The Bridging mode, the $600-\Omega$ termination, and the $900-\Omega$ termination are operable by virtue of their connection to a high-pass filter having a 3~dB frequency of 400~Hz. The filter is 25~dB down at 60~Hz. See 8.5.

These modes are used for the measurement of AC signal dB levels on Teletype lines. (Do not use this mode when measuring levels such as "J" carrier channels below 450 Hz. Use normal mode on AC volts which eliminates the high-pass filter.)

1.4. TEL-SET MODE

When the function switch is on *Tel-Set*, a head set is plugged into the *Tel-Set* jacks and is connected to the input jacks only. The instrument and all allied circuits are disconnected

2. DC VOLTAGE RANGE SPECIFICATIONS

2.1. DC VOLTAGE RANGES USED

DC voltage ranges used are .05 I , .1 V , 3 V , 10 I , 30 I , 100 I , 300 I , and 1000 I .

2.2. DC VOLTAGE ACCURACY

Accuracy for the DC voltage ranges is $\pm 2\%$ of full scale.

2.3. DC VOLTAGE INPUT RESISTANCE

Input resistance for the DC voltage ranges is 10 $M\Omega$ on all ranges.

2.4. AC REJECTION IN THE DC VOLTAGE RANGES

AC rejection in the DC voltage ranges is 80 dB/min for a frequency of 60 Hz and higher (300 YRMS maximum).

2.5. DC VOLTAGE OVERLOAD

Overload for the DC voltage ranges is 300 VDC on the 50 mV and 100 mV ranges, and 1200 VDC Max for the 300 mV and higher ranges.

3. AC VOLTAGE RANGE SPECIFICATIONS

3.1. AC VOLTAGE RANGES USED

AC voltage ranges used are .01 V, .03 V, .1 V, .3 V, 1 V, 3 V, 10 V, 30 V, 100 V, 300 V, and 1000 V.

3.2. AC VOLTAGE ACCURACY

Accuracy for the AC voltage ranges is \pm 3% of full scale.

3.3. AC VOLTAGE INPUT IMPEDANCE

Input impedance for all AC voltage ranges is 10 $M\Omega$ shunted by 55-pf of capacitance, at the tester's input jacks.

3.4. AC VOLTAGE FREQUENCY RESPONSE

Frequency response for the AC voltage ranges is as follows:

- \pm 3% from 30 Hz to 100 KHz on the .01 V, .03 V, .1 V and .3 V ranges.
- \pm 3% from 30 Hz to 50 KHz on the 1 V, 3 V, 10 V and 30 V ranges.
- \pm 3% from 30 Hz to 20 KHz on the 100 V, 300 V and 1000 V ranges.

These frequency response values apply when the T–360 is used in the NORMAL setting on the bridging/termination function. When the bridging/termination function switch is on the BRIDGING, $600-\Omega$ and $900~\Omega$ positions, the frequency response is at least -25 dB at 60~Hz and - 6~dB at 180~Hz. From 480~Hz to 100~KHz, the accuracy is within±1% of the values given above.

3.5. AC VOLTAGE OVERLOAD

Overload for the AC voltage ranges is 300 V RMS maximum, momentarily on the .01 V, .03 V, .1 V, and .3 V ranges.

On ranges above the .3 V range, the overload is 1200 V RMS maximum

4. DC CURRENT RANGES

4.1. DC CURRENT RANGES USED

DC current ranges used are $10 \mu A$, $100 \mu A$, 1 m A, 10 m A, 100 m I, and 1 Imp.

4.2. DC CURRENT ACCURACY

Accuracy for the DC current ranges is \pm 2% of full scale.

4.3. DC CURRENT VOLTAGE LOSS AT TESTER INPUT

Voltage loss at tester input when DC current is measured is:

1 Amp

 $125 \, mV$

Full scale on all other ranges $100 \, mV$

5. AC CURRENT RANGES

5.1. AC CURRENT RANGES USED

AC current ranges used are $10 \,\mu A$, $100 \,\mu A$, $1 \, mA$, $10 \, mA$, $100 \, mA$, and $1 \, 1 \, mp$.

5.2. AC CURRENT ACCURACY

Accuracy for the AC current ranges is \pm 3% of full scale.

5.3. AC CURRENT VOLTAGE LOSS AT TESTER INPUT

Voltage loss at tester input when AC current is measured is:

1 Amp

125 m l

Full scale on all other ranges 100 m V

5.4. AC CURRENT INPUT IMPEDANCE

Input impedance is created by the current range resistor selected by the range switch and is shunted by 80 pf of capacitance.

5.5. AC CURRENT FREQUENCY RANGE

AC current range frequency band is 30 Hz to 100 KHz.

6. RESISTANCE RANGES

6.1. RESISTANCE RANGES USED

Resistance ranges (for either a low-power or conventional ohmmeter circuit) are as follows:

 $\Omega \times 1$ $\Omega \times 10K$ $\Omega \times 10$ $\Omega \times 100K$ $\Omega \times 100$ $\Omega \times 100$ $\Omega \times 1K$

Note: All ranges are 10Ω at center of scale.

6.2. RESISTANCE RANGE ACCURACY

Accuracy for resistance ranges is 30 of arc.

6.3. RESISTANCE RANGES: MAXIMUM POWER APPLIED TO DEVICE UNDER TEST

Maximum power applied is:

On Low-Power Range $\Omega \times 1 \qquad \qquad \text{70 microwatts}$ On Conventional Range $\Omega \times 1 \qquad \qquad \text{60 milliwatts}$

7. TEMPERATURE DATA

7.1. OPERATING TEMPERATURE

The normal operating temperature range is 55°F to 105°F.

7.2. MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE DRIFT: DC VOLTAGE AND CURRENT

The maximum temperature drift on DC voltage and current ranges is \pm 4% of full scale for the temperature range stated above. (This error is in addition to the initial accuracy error).

7.3. MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE DRIFT: AC VOLTAGE AND CURRENT

The maximum temperature drift on AC voltage and current ranges is less than ± 3 of full scale for the temperature range stated above. (This error is in addition to the initial accuracy error).

7.4. TEMPERATURE DRIFT ERROR: OHMMETER

Temperature drift error on both ohmmeter ranges is eliminated when the zero and full-scale adjustments are made at that specific temperature.

8. BRIDGING/TERMINATION FUNCTION SWITCH SETTINGS

8.1. NORMAL POSITION

When the bridging/termination switch is on **NORMAL**, the instrument functions in the same way as a standard solid-state VOM tester, such as the Simpson Model 314.

8.2. BRIDGING POSITION

When the bridging/termination function switch is on **BRIDGING**, the input impedance at the tester's input jacks is 0.5 megohm shunted by 55 pf of capacitance.

8.3. $600-\Omega$ TERM AND $900-\Omega$ TERM POSITIONS

In these positions, the input is internally terminated with 600 Ω and 900 Ω respectively.

8.4. TEL-SET POSITION

When the bridging/termination function switch is on the TEL-SET setting, the input is connected to TEL-SET jacks only. The internal electronics of the instrument are automatically disconnected.

8.5. HIGH-PASS FILTER

In the **BRIDGING, 600-\Omega TERM, AND 900-\Omega TERM** positions only, the 400 Hz high-pass filter is connected in series with the tester's AC amplifier (when the normal function switch is on ACV.)

dB RANGES AT DIFFERENT BRIDGING/TERMINATION FUNCTION SWITCH SETTINGS

Setting	dB Range
Normal or Bridging	+ 60, + 50,
	+ 40, + 30,
	+ 20, + 10,
	0, -10, -20,
	-30, and -40.
600 Ω Term	+ 20, + 10, 0,
	-10, -20, -30,
	and40.
900 Ω Term	+ 20, + 10, 0,
	10,20,30,
	and —40.

9.1. ACCURACY ON dB RANGES WHEN USING BRIDGING/TERMINATION FUNCTION SWITCH

Accuracy is $3^{\rm O}$ of arc in the normal, the bridging, the $600-\Omega$ Term and the $900-\Omega$ Term dB settings. The tolerances of the $600-\Omega$ and $900-\Omega$ terminating resistors are within 1%

10. POWER SUPPLY

10.1. PT BATTERY

1 PT (Approximately C-size) battery, 9 V, which has an approximate life of 700 hours, is used. (Burgess # PM6, Everready # 226 or equivalent.)

10.2. D BATTERY

1 D--size cell, 1.5 V, having an approximate life of 1000 hours when on ohms, low-power, is used. (Burgess # 210, Eveready # 1150 or equivalent).

10.3. AA BATTERY

2 AA-size cells, 1.5 V each, and having an operating life of 1000 hours, are used. Burgess # 930, Eveready # 1015 or equivalent

11. INSTRUMENT DIMENSIONS

11.1. SIZE

The T--360 is 3 3/4" x 6 3/4" x 7 3/4".

11.2. WEIGHT

The instrument weighs 5 1/2 lbs.

12. SIMPSON MODEL M 00456 PROBE SPECIFICATIONS

The M 00456 Probe is used with the T-360 Multipurpose Meter. Its specifications follow:

12.1. OPERATING RANGES

The M 00456 Probe has two operating ranges:

x 1 and x 10

The x 1 range is valid in all functions.

The x 10 range is valid only in the normal voltage functions.

12.2. INPUT IMPEDANCE

Input impedance of the probe (when used with the T-360) is as follows

On the x 1 range:

Resistance input = $10 M\Omega$

Capacitance input = 135 pf

On the x 10 range:

Resistance input = $100 M\Omega$

Capacitance input = 20 pf

12.3. SELF IMPEDANCE

Self impedance of the probe is as follows:

On the x 1 range:

Resistance input to output = 300 milliohms

Capacitance shunt

 $= 80 \, \mathrm{pf}$

On the x 10 range:

Resistance input to output = $90 \text{ M}\Omega$

12.4 MAXIMUM OVERLOAD VOLTAGE

Maximum overload voltage is 1200 RMS, momentarily.

12.5 OPTIMIZING RESPONSE

An internal-capacity trimmer sets the probe response on the \times 10 function. The trimmer is visible after the head is removed from the probe body. To adjust the probe, remove the 3 small plastic screws that secure the probe head. See Figure 2, which also shows the probe circuit.

If probe optimized for one unit is used with another unit there could be up to % DB error with probe on X10.

12.6. PROBE LENGTH

Length of the probe and cable is approximately 4' from tip to connector.

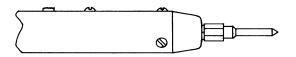
12.7 CONNECTORS

Connectors are banana plugs with standard 3/4" spacing.

12.8 PROBE TIPS

Standard screw-on phone-plug tips, .080" in diameter, are used.

The tip adapter will also accept most Tektronix probe tips.





PROBE HEAD ASSEMBLY

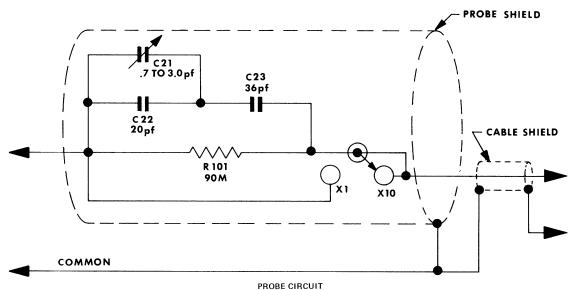


FIGURE 2 M 00456 PROBE

13. OPERATION OF THE T=-360

The steps given in this section are steps that normally should be followed prior to making measurements with the T—360. They also serve as a simple operational functional test.

13.1. CONTROL COMPONENTS

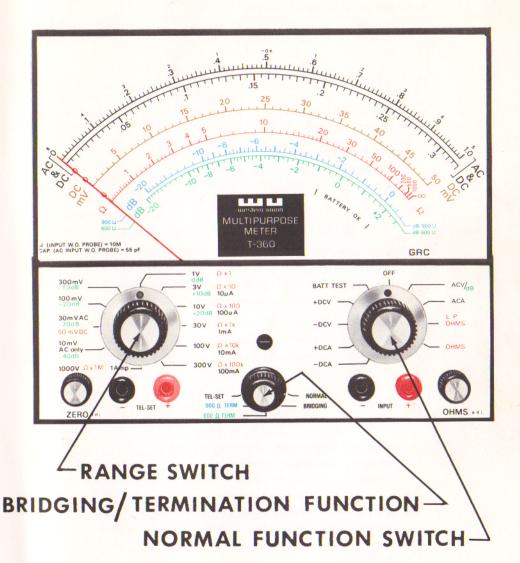
Look at Figure 3. It designates the *normal function switch*, the range switch, the bridging/termination function switch, and the mechanical zero adjuster as adjust able control components that are not labelled on the control panel. The jacks and zero and ohms adjusters are identified on the control panel itself and their designations are visible in the photo.

The normal function switch, the range switch, and the bridging/termination function switch can be turned clockwise and counter clockwise to any position. The Zero and Ohms adjusters can be rotated in the required direction to deflect the pointer. The black and red jacks on the left-hand of the instrument are for Tel Set operation only; those on the right-hand are for the normal input and are used in all modes of operation.

13.2. RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE SCALE AND SWITCHES

When you look at the T-360 itself or Figure 3, you can see there are color similarities between switch settings on the control panel and the scales. The color of a function and/or value listed on the control panel tells you on what scale you read the magnitude of that function or value. The colors found on both control panel and scale and the functions and values they represent are as follows:

FUNCTION AND VALUE
Conventional AC and DC voltage and current.
Note: The DC voltage and current has two zeros;
one on the left-hand end and the other in the
center of the arc.
50 mV = highest-sensitivity for DC level
Resistance in conventional ohms and ohms,
low-power
Telegraph level O dB = 1 milliwatt across 900 Ω
Telegraph level O dB = 1 milliwatt across 600 Ω



13.3. MECHANICAL ZERO ADJUSTMENT

With the normal function switch on *OFF*, check mechanical zero and adjust it, if necessary, by rotating the mechanical zero adjuster, shown in Figure 3, with a screwdriver.

13.4 BATTERY TEST

Turn the normal function switch to $BATT\ TEST$. The pointer should deflect immediately. Observe where the pointer has deflected in the lowermest scale marked BATTERY OK.

13.5. BRIDGING/TERMINATION FUNCTION SETTING FOR FUNCTIONAL-OPERATIONAL TEST

Make sure that this switch is on NORMAL.

13.6. RANGE SWITCH

Set the range switch on $10 \mu 1$.

13.7. ELECTRICAL ZERO ADJUSTMENT

Set the normal function switch on $\pm DCA$ or $\pm DCA$ and rotate the ZFRO adj. Enob to set electrical zero. When using the normal switch on either $\pm DCA$ or $\pm DCA$, periodically check electrical zero and, if necessary, readjust it.

13.8. CURRENT SETTINGS

To measure current, do the following:

- 1) The normal function switch can be on either $\pm DCA$, $\pm DCA$ or $\pm ICA$.
- 2) The bridging/termination function switch should be on NORM (L.
- 3) You can find most of the current ranges (written in black) on the right hand side of the range switch directly under each resistance range (written in red). The 1-Amp range is at the bottom, center, of the range switch.

13.9. BRIDGING/TERMINATION FUNCTION SETTINGS

FOR OHMS, LOW-POWER AND OHMS

The following settings can be used for both ohms, low-power and ohms without readjustment (see 13.10 and 13.11, p. 12):

SETTING	MEASUREMENT POSSIBLE	ERROR
NORMAL	Up to 1 G Ω	3 ⁰ arc
BRIDGING	Up to 5 k Ω	1%*
600 Ω TERM	Up to $6~\Omega$	1% *
900 Ω TERM	Up to 9 Ω	1%×
		*Additional error

13.10. OHMS, LOW--POWER

When you wish to measure *olims*, *low-power*, set the normal function switch on that position and carry out the following adjustments:

Set the bridging/termination function on NORM.1L.

Set the range selector on $\Omega \times 100$ or higher and adjust as follows:

Touch together the two leads in the red and black INPUT jacks and rotate the ZERO adj. knob to set *zero* on the *ohms* scale. Open the leads and rotate the OHMS adj. knob to set ∞ on the ohms scale.

When using the $\Omega \times 1$ and $\Omega \times 10$ ranges, readjust zero and ∞ as described above.

13.11 OHMS

Make the same zero adjustments for ohms, as for ohms, low-power, if necessary.

13.12. DC V RANGES

You can make measurements on all DC voltranges with the bridging/termination function set on any position except Tel-Set. The DC V ranges run clockwise from 50 mVDC to 1000 V. Note the input impedance of each bridging/termination function switch range.

13.13 AC V RANGES

You can make measurements on all AC volt ranges in the same way as on BC volt ranges. The AC ranges run clockwise from 10 mVAC to 1000 V. Note the input impedance and frequency band of each bridging/termination function switch range.

14. USE OF THE M 00456

As mentioned in Section 12, page 6, the Simpson Model M 00456 Probe is used with the T-360. The x I position on this probe operates essentially as a pair of test leads, except that the test probe is fully shielded and can be used down to $-50 \, db$.

The $xI\theta$ position on the probe is valid for voltage measurements *only* when the bridging/termination function is on NORMAL.

14.1. TEST LEADS

A set of Simpson No. 0115 red and black test leads are supplied with each unit. These test leads have test prods as well as screw-on alligator clips.

15. FUNCTIONAL CHECKS

The next two pages contain tables showing how to make functional checks with and without the M 00456 Probe.

15.1. FUNCTIONAL CHECKS WITHOUT PROBE

Set bridging/termination function switch on NORMAL for these tests.

	Set Function Switch On:	Set Range Switch On:	Set ZERO Adj. on:	Set OHMS Adj. on:	Instrument Indication:
1	OFF	Any position	Any position	Any position	0 (Adjust mechanical zero if necessary
2	BATT TEST	Any position	Any position	Any position	Should get reading "BATH RY OK"
3	+ DCV	50 mV	Set for full- scale deflection	Any position	Full scale 50 mV exactly
4	+ DCV	100 mV	As set above	Any position	,5 T. Ldivision (Half scale) on Top Scale
5	+ DCV	1 V	As set above	Any position	5+1.5 divisions on Top Scale
6	– DCV	1 V	As set above	Any position	.5 1-2 divisions on Lop Scale
7	+ DCA	1 V	As set above	Any position	.5 ± 1.5 divisions on Lop Scale
8	DCA	1 V	As set above	Any position	5 + 1.5 divisions on Top Scale
9	DCA	1 V	Set for zero deflection	Any position	()
10	Ohms Low-Power	1 V	As set above	Set for full- scale deflection	Luff scale or co on ohins scale
11	OHMS	1 V	As set above	As set above	Adjust B 27 (Internal Adjustment) to Tull scale (o) as above
12	ACA	1 ∨	Any position	Any position	Should indicate zero
13	ACV	10 mV	Any position	Any position	Should have some indication in a magnetic field

NOTE: These tests to be performed in the order indicated for checking the instrument without the probe.

15.2. FUNCTIONAL CHECKS WITH THE M 00456 PROBE

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Indication:	0 deflection	Full scale or co on ohms scale	50 on ohms scale	6 on ohms scale	9 on ohms scale	Full scale or ∞ on ohms scale	Should read a probe resistance of 0.3Ω or less on ohms scale	Should read .9 on top scale within 2 divisions (90MΩ)
Set OHMS Adj. on:	Any position	Adjust position to full-scale deflection	As set above	As set above	As set above	As set above	As set above	As set above
Set ZEKO Adj. on:	Adjust for zero	As set above	As set above	As set above	As set above	As set above	As set above	As set above
Set range Switch On:	Ω×10 k	Ω × 10 k	Ω × 10 k	$\Omega \times 100$	Ω×100	Clockwise $\Omega \times 100~\mathrm{k}$	Counter-clockwise to Ω × 1	Clockwise to $\Omega \times 1M$
Set Bridging/ Termination Function On:	NORMAL	NORMAL	BRIDGING	600 Ω TERM	900ΩТЕВМ	TELSET	NORMAL	NORMAL
Set Normal Func- tion Switch on:	Lowpower OHMS	Low-power OHMS	Low-power OHMS	Low-power OHMS	Low-power OHMS	Low-power OHMS	Low-Power OHMS	Low-power OHMS
Probe:	x 1 Range Probe input shorted	Probe input open	Probe input open	Probe input open	Probe input open	Probe input shorted	Probe input shorted	x 10 range Probe input shorted
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NOTE: These tests to be performed in the order indicated to check the Instrument with the Probe.

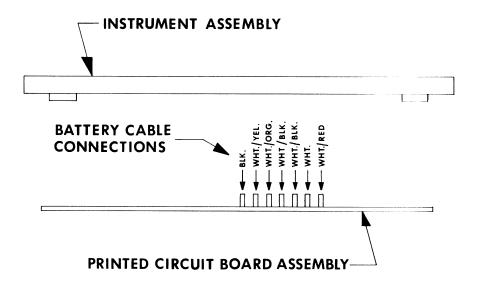
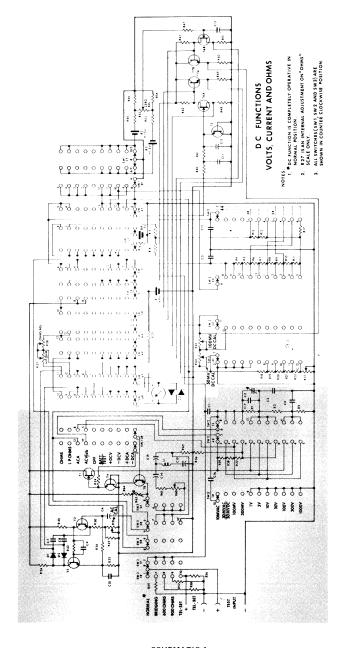
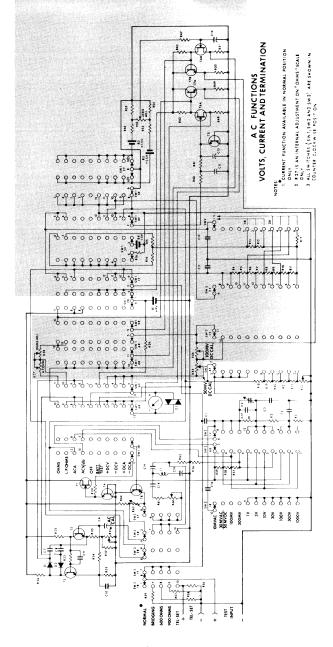


FIGURE 4 - BATTERY CABLE CONNECTIONS

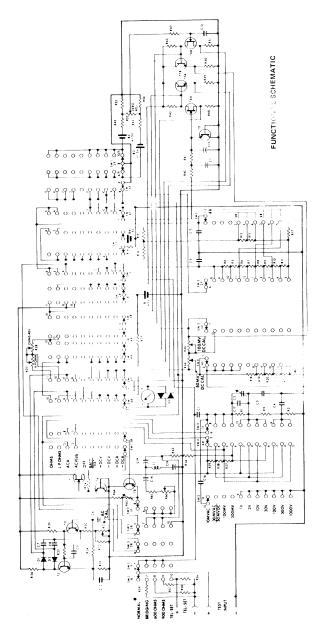




SCHEMATIC 1



SCHEMATIC 2



SCHEMATIC 3

16. PARTS LIST

PART	PAI	₹T NO.
METER ASSEMBLY COMPLETE	т	000162
Meter Assembly		862334
Case Assembly	10	862315
Battery Holder Assembly	10	862138
*Probe Test Assembly		830355
Test Lead Assembly w/Removable Clips		830115
*Connector, Banana Plug Adapter Assembly	10	862335
Screw Thread Cutting #6-32 x 3/8 LG	ţ,	114803
Battery, 9v	ŗ,	112598
Battery, 1-1/2v "AA"	Ļ,	112618
Clamp, Cable Plastic	ţ,	115009
Cable Tie, Nylon	ţ,	114334
Case, Carrying	ļ,	114879
Screw Machine #6-32 x 1-1/2 LG	1,	134408
Clip, Battery Retainer For "AA" Cells	5	115191
Cover, Battery Compartment	13	260615
Battery, 1-1/2 v "D"	- 1	118722
Clip, Battery Retainer for "C" Cell	- 1	119697
Screw, Machine #4-40 x 1/4 LG	- 1	145793
Lockwasher, #6 Split, 9/64 I.D. x 1/32 THK	- 1	110383
METER ASSEMBLY		
Panel Assembly	10	862316
Knob,w/Aluminum Skirt		114800
Knob,w/molded Skirt	ι,	114859
Knob, for Zero & Ohms Adj	٠,	115018
Washer, Plain Nylon	١,	115288
PANEL ASSEMBLY		
*Indicating Instrument Assembly) (1921-6)
Panel Insert) 9850 115019
Connector, Banana Jack, Red		114854
Connector, Banana Jack, Black		114855 114855
Nut, Special #5/16—32		135245
		1002(40)

Washer, Lock, 5/16 I.D. x .015 THK	-400940				
Terminal, Formed	-160040				
Tape, Adhesive	-112801				
CASE ASSEMBLY					
Handle Assembly	-862232				
Stud, Handle					
Case, Finished	-330210				
Washer, Flat, .260 I.D	-131579				
Fastener, "E" Ring	-119166				
BATTERY HOLDER ASSEMBLY					
*Cable Assembly	-830329				
Battery Holder					
TEST LEAD ASSEMBLY w/REMOVABLE CLIPS					
Insulator, Red	112470				
Insulator, Black					
Alligator Clips					
3	113903				

^{*}Denotes Items Which Must be Purchased in Assembly Form Only

SIMPSON WARRANTY

The Simpson T-360 will perform according to these Specs and will be free from defects in material or workmanship for one year from date of shipment. Within this period, any instrument which is returned, transportation charges prepaid, to the Simpson Repair Department, and which is confirmed to be defective by SIMPSON will be repaired, adjusted, or at Simpson option, replaced without charge.

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