Modulator
Installation Manual

Frequency-Agile
Video Modulator

Model 5415

This device complies with the FCC's Part 15 Rules for TV interface devices. Any change or modification to this device without the permission of Linear LLC, may void the user's authority to operate this equipment.
Controls and Connections

The ChannelPlus 5400 Series are digitally-tuned video modulators that convert any baseband video and audio signal to a user-selected UHF, or Ultraband CATV. An internal quartz crystal reference oscillator and PLL circuitry ensure drift-free performance. The user selects the output frequency (channel) using the "program" button to enter the number of the desired channel. Any TV connected to the output via coax can receive the signals, when the TV is tuned to the proper channel.

Model 5415 - Single channel agile modulator

Program button to enter the channel number

RF output
Power supply 15VDC 300mA
Audio inputs: Right and left are combined for monaural.
Video input
Video input termination jumper (When connecting video to a local monitor, remove this jumper for hi-Z)
Sample System Diagram

In this system, CATV or antenna channels are available on all TVs. In addition the following channel has been added:
Channel 70 - Satellite receiver

Option: To connect the video and audio to a local monitor, use RCA type 'Y' adaptors and remove the 'LOOP' jumper.

Coax panel
(Distributes to as many as 8 TVs)
Programming Examples:

To program modulator to channel 67

Press **program** button **6** times

Wait for **power** LED (ready for next number.)

Press **program** button **7** more times

To program modulator to channel 120

Press **program** button **1** time

Wait for **power** LED (ready for next number.)

Press **program** button **2** more times

Wait for **power** LED (ready for next number.)

Press **program** button **10** more times

(press 10 to enter a zero)
Valid Channels: 14-64: UHF channels
65-125: CATV channels
95-99: not valid

Channel Spacing: Skip at least one number between channels.
Channels 14 and 16: OK.
Channels 14 and 15: illegal.

Error indication: If an error has occurred or an incorrect channel is entered, the LED will flash quickly for a second and return to the previous settings.

Channel number readback: A readback mode will display the current channel assignments.

To readback modulator channel assignment
(example: modulator is programmed to channel 108)
Things to watch for:

No picture ... Verify that the video source is on and is producing a video signal. Check that the TV and the modulator are tuned to the same channel. For example, if the modulator is broadcasting on UHF channel 16, make sure the TV is on UHF 16 rather than CATV 16. UHF 16 and CATV 16 are at different frequencies.

Weak ChannelPlus UHF channel ... If the TV has a separate UHF input, be sure that it is connected.

Herringbone interference on ChannelPlus channel (diagonal lines) ... You may have chosen a channel number that is not completely vacant. Distant UHF stations may be un-watchable, but will cause interference if you try to try to create a new channel at the same frequency. Also, cable companies often have extra signals where there should be none. Try moving the ChannelPlus channel to another number. You may have to add a low pass filter to remove cable company noise.

Herringbone interference on many channels (disappears when you remove the modulator) ... The high output of the ChannelPlus modulator can overdrive many RF amplifiers. Reduce the RF output using an attenuator. (ChannelPlus coax panels are designed to take the full output of these modulators.)

Audio volume is low ... The left and right audio inputs are combined for monaural. For proper audio level, both right and left inputs must be used. If you have a mono source, connect it to both right and left inputs using an RCA ‘Y’ connector.

No color on ChannelPlus channels ... You may have chosen the incorrect cable standard. Not all televisions can accommodate the 1.25MHz frequency difference between the H and I cable standards. See the section on programming.
Changing modulation standards

Cable HRC and IRC considerations
Most cable services use IRC frequency assignments. This is the default for the ChannelPlus 5400 series modulators. However, if the cable service uses HRC or the TV appears to search for the "house channels," the modulator can be reprogrammed to use HRC assignments by entering the number "98". Set to IRC by entering a "99". Both of these settings are only used for setting HRC/IRC.

Specifications: typical @ 25°C ± 5°C

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| Inputs          | video     | 1 Vp-p @ 75Ω                          |
|                | audio     | 1 V rms @ 47kΩ                        |
|                | L & R inputs combined for monaural |
| Video performance | differential gain | 4%                                    |
|                | differential phase | <4°                                    |
|                | signal/noise | 55 dB                                  |
| RF output      | standard   | UHF                                      |
|                | channel ranges | 14-64 (excluding 95-99)               |
|                | output level | +25 dBmV (90dBuV)                      |
|                | IM distortion | -60 dBC                                |
|                | alternate channel | -45dB @ 12MHz                      |
| Power supply   | model number | 350-076                                |
|                | output current | 300mA                                  |
|                | output voltage | 15 VDC                                 |
|                | input power   | 105-125 VAC                            |
|                | power consumption | 3 watts                               |
| Physical       | height      | 2.5 cm (1.0 in)                        |
|                | width       | 11.7 cm (4.6 in)                       |
|                | depth       | 14.1 cm (5.5 in)                       |
|                | weight      | 0lbs 11 oz (1.19kg)                    |
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