

Operator's Manual SD385 NOMAD Portable Signal Analyzer Part Three

Legacy Manual

COGNITIVE VISION, INC. 7220 Trade Street, Suite 101 San Diego, CA 92121-2325 USA

analyzers@cognitivevision.com www.cognitivevision.com

Tel: 1.858.578.3778 / Fax: 1.858.578.2778 In USA: 1.800.VIB.TEST (842.8378)

OPERATOR'S MANUAL

SERIAL

SD385 NOMAD Portable Signal Analyzer

PROPRIETARY RIGHTS OF SCIENTIFIC-ATLANTA, INC. are involved in the subject matter of this material and all manufacturing, reproduction, use and sales rights pertaining to such subject matter are expressly reserved. It is submitted in confidence for a specified purpose, and the recipient, by adding this material agrees that this material will not be used, copied or reproduced in whole or in part, nor the contents revealed in any manner, or to any person, exception the purpose delivered.

Scientific-Atlant

Spectral Dynamics Division

United States: P.O. Box 23575 • San Diego, CA 92123-0575 • (619) 268-7100 • TWX 910-335-2022

P/N 22120000 01-87-12-0011

LEGACY MANUAL POLICY

Cognitive Vision Legacy manuals are those product manuals and documentation that accompanied earlier products and product lines which have since been discontinued ("Legacy Products"). Over the past thirty years, these include products that were sold by Spectral Dynamics, Scientific Atlanta and Smiths Industries.

Cognitive Vision, Inc. provides downloadable copies of these manuals strictly as a courtesy to its customers who continue to use Legacy Products. <u>IMPORTANT</u>: Please read the following Disclaimer carefully. Any use of this manual indicates your express agreement with this policy.

If you have any questions regarding this policy, or for additional information regarding the serviceability of any Legacy Product(s), please call our service department.

DISCLAIMER

IN DOWNLOADING THIS MANUAL, THE USER UNDERSTANDS AND EXPRESSLY AGREES THAT COGNITIVE VISION MAKES NO WARRANTIES WHATSOEVER, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. IN USING THIS MANUAL, THE USER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT ALL PREVIOUS PRODUCT WARRANTIES ISSUED BY SPECTRAL DYNAMICS, SCIENTIFIC ATLANTA AND SMITHS INDUSTRIES FOR LEGACY PRODUCTS HAVE SINCE EXPIRED.

IN PROVIDING THIS MANUAL, COGNITIVE VISION ASSUMES NO LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY WHATSOEVER TO THE USER OF THIS MANUAL, THE USER'S AGENTS AND/OR CUSTOMERS, OR ANY OTHER PARTY, FOR ANY CLAIMED INACCURACY IN THIS MANUAL, OR FOR DAMAGE CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY BY ANY USE OF THIS MANUAL, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER COGNITIVE VISION WAS INFORMED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES, OR FOR ANY CLAIM MADE AGAINST THE USER'S ORIGINAL PRODUCT WARRANTY.

FURTHER, COGNITIVE VISION SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE, LOSS OF BUSINESS, ANTICIPATORY PROFITS, CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, OR INDIRECT OR SPECIAL DAMAGES ARISING UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, OR FROM ANY CAUSE OF ACTION WHATSOEVER INCLUDING CONTRACT, WARRANTY, STRICT LIABILITY OR NEGLIGENCE.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABOVE, IN NO EVENT SHALL COGNITIVE VISION'S LIABILITY TO THE USER EXCEED AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE REPLACEMENT COST OF THIS MANUAL.

COGNITIVE VISION, INC. 7220 Trade Street, Suite 101 San Diego, CA 92121-2325 USA

analyzers@cognitivevision.com www.cognitivevision.com

Telephone: 1.858.578.3778 / Fax: 1.858.578.2778 IN USA: 1.800.VIB.TEST (842.8378)

INITIAL INSPECTION AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

2-1 INTRODUCTION

This section contains instructions for performing an initial inspection of the Model SD385, general safety precautions, instructions on preparation for use, return shipment procedures including repacking instructions for return shipment, procedures for claiming warranty repairs, and a spare parts list consisting of the SD385's major subassemblies.

2-2 INITIAL INSPECTION

Although the instrument is thoroughly inspected mechanically and electrically before packing for shipment, it must be inspected upon receipt for damage in transit.

2-2.1 Unpacking

Use care in removing the instrument from its shipping container to prevent damage to the front and rear-panel controls. Save the shipping container and all packing materials until the instrument has been thoroughly inspected for damage and checked for proper operation.

2-2.2 Equipment Furnished

Make sure that each item on the packing list is included with the shipment. Accessory kits may be shipped in separate containers.

2-2.3 Inspection for Physical Damage

Inspect all panels for dents, signs of chipped paint, or scratches. Check for broken or bent connectors, switches, and knobs. Photographs of damage may be helpful in substantiating subsequent claims.

2-2.4 Reshipment Procedure

If the instrument is to be reshipped after receipt, use of the original shipping container and packing materials is recommended. If original packing materials are not available, the following materials should be used:

- a. A double wall carton with a test strength of 350 pounds and of sufficient size to accommodate the required packing.
- b. Heavy paper or sheets of cardboard to protect all surfaces.
- c. Nonabrasive material such as polyurethane or cushioned paper between projecting parts and wall of carton.
- d. At least 4 inches of shock absorbent material such as extra firm polyurethane.

CAUTION

The use of flowable styrofoam packing materials (i.e., popcorn, peanuts, shells and spaghetti), is a leading cause of equipment damage during shipping. Any shipping damage resulting from the use of flowable packing material by the customer will be charged to the customer.

2-2.5 Returned Equipment with Warranty or Damage Claims

If the instrument is found to be damaged in transit or does not operate as specified when received, notify the carrier and the nearest Scientific-Atlanta, Inc., Spectral Dynamics Division sales/service office or representative immediately. The local office will arrange for repair or replacement. A Return Material Authorization (RMA) number will be assigned by the factory to assure identification and tracking of the instrument by Scientific-Atlanta. Be sure to attach a card showing the owner's name, address, telephone number, and a description of the service required. The Model SD385 Signal Analyzer presents no hazard to operating personnel if operated in accordance with the instructions contained in this manual.

CAUTION STATIC CAN DAMAGE COMPONENTS

The circuit cards located in the SD385 contain CMOS components that are electrostatic-discharge sensitive (ESDS) Do not handle ESDS components devices. unless a grounding wrist strap is properly worn and grounded. Do not let clothing or plain plastic materials contact or come in close proximity to ESDS devices.

Electrostatic charges are generated and stored on surfaces or ordinary plastics, most common textile garments, ungrounded bodies and other commonly people's unnoticed static generators. If an electrostatic charge passes through an ESDS device, catastrophic failure or performance degradation of the device may result.

2-3.1 Explosion Hazard

Do not operate the instrument in any environment where flammable vapors may exist. Operation of any electrical instrument in such an environment constitutes a definite explosion hazard.

2-3.2 Shock Hazard

When connected to a three-contact power receptacle, the three-conductor ac power cable supplied with the instrument grounds the chassis. This grounding protects the operator from possible injury. To preserve this protection when operating from a two-conductor outlet, use a three-conductor to two-conductor adapter and connect the adapter wire to ground at the power outlet before connecting the instrument. Covers and safety plates should be removed ONLY by QUALIFIED maintenance personnel. Dangerous voltages are present inside this instrument whenever the power cord is connected even when the power switch is off.

2-4 PREPARATION FOR USE

2-4.1 Power Requirements

The SD385 Signal Analyzer is designed to operate on either 115 Vac or 230 Vac. Therefore, before applying power to the instrument, check the following:

- a. There is a voltage selector that is an integral part of the fuseholder and power switch assembly. This assembly is located on the right side of the instrument. Make sure the voltage selector reflects the proper line voltage that is to be used (refer to Figure 2-1).
- b. The fuse in the fuseholder should be a 5 amp Normal-BLO for 115 V operation and 2.5 amp Normal-BLO for 230 V operation.
- There is an 8-position DIP switch located on the c. right side of the instrument. One of these DIP switches is for selecting the display refresh update rate (refer to For operation in areas that use 60 Hz Figure 2-1). ac power, the Display Refresh Select DIP switch should be set to the 60 Hz position. 50 Hz In areas that use power, the DIP switch should be in the 50 Hz position.



Figure 2-1. Instrument Side Panel Showing the Location of the Voltage Selector, Fuseholder and Display Refresh Select DIP Switch

2-4.2 Mounting

The SD385 is shipped from the factory as a semi-portable bench instrument with trim in place. Rack-mounting would permanently damage the instrument enclosure.

2-4.3 Cooling

The SD385 requires at least 3-1/2" open space above and behind the instrument for proper cooling. Never place anything on top of the instrument.

2-4.4 Precautions for the Optional EL Display

The Optional EL Display is mounted in the instrument cover and is connected to the instrument via a ribbon cable that goes from the front-panel to the instrument cover (refer to Figure 2-2). While care has been taken to guard against damage to the cable by limiting the travel of the instrument cover, removal of the cover-hinges or rough handling of the cable, resulting in a strain being placed on the cable, can cause partial or complete disconnection. Therefore, removal the cover hinges <u>is not</u> recommended. <u>Never</u> pull or yank on the ribbon cable.



Figure 2-2. Optional EL Display Interconnect Cable

2-5 OPERATOR MAINTENANCE

2-5.1 Introduction

Maintenance performed by the operator consists of cleaning and a visual inspection.

2-5.2 Cleaning

Operator cleaning procedures involve only the exterior surfaces. When the instrument is operating, use only a dry cloth or soft brush. The SD385 is equipped with a LEXAN front panel.

CAUTION

Only recommended cleaning agents should be used for cleaning the LEXAN front panel. Many commercial cleaning agents contain some form of halogenated, aromatic or ammoniated compounds. These agents will damage the LEXAN front panel and should not be used for cleaning. Do not use any air source to remove dust.

The recommended cleaning agents are as follows:

Light cleaning: Denatured alcohol or a mild solution of soap and water.

Heavy cleaning: MS-260 cleaner for plastic, glass and metal. (Miller-Stephenson Chemical Co., Inc.)

- a. Turn the instrument off and disconnect the ac power cord.
- b. Using a soft brush, remove dust from the front panel and the face of the display. Remove dust from connectors, slots, switches and the vent fan grill.
- c. Using the recommended cleaning agents, wipe the front panel and the face of the display.

Table 2-1. SI)385 Spare Parts Li	st
Item	Part Number	Quantity
Interactive Assembly	22142600	1 each
Fan Assembly	22150000	1 each
PWA Set	22126000	1 each
Front Panel Assembly	22150500	l each
Air Filter	22125700	
For SD385-1 Add:		
EL Display	22142500	1 each
EL Cable Assembly	22141003	1 each
Lens	22125900	l each
For SD385-2 Add:		
Signal Conditioner PWA	22113002	1 each
For SD385-3 Add:		
SRA/TACH PWA	22111400	l each
For SD385-4 Add:		
Disk Controller PWA	22105700	1 each
Disk Drive	22142400	1 each

.



3-1 ANALYZER OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW

Figure 3-1. 8D385 Front Panel

The SD385 is a menu driven instrument. That is, most of the operating functions consist of menus and numerical entry fields controlled by the front panel buttons. When the instrument is first turned on, an introductory message will on the display. Located at the bottom of the appear introductory message (ignoring the rest of the message for is the statement "PRESS SELECT TRACE, TO OR HELP now) You have to press one of these buttons in order CONTINUE." to place the instrument in an operating mode. If the HELP button is pressed first, the HELP feature will be enabled, providing Help messages for the various control fields and front-panel buttons. It's a nice feature, but you still won't be able to operate the instrument. SEL TRACE is the button you want to press to enable the normal operating mode.

Instrument configuration is accomplished by moving a Reverse Video Field (from now on this will be referred to as the "RV") from one control to another using the SETUP group directional buttons (the UP/DOWN/LEFT/RIGHT arrows in the Specifically, "controls" are the annotation SETUP group). statements that surround the data display. Each of these controls are accompanied by a menu. There are, basically, three methods of accessing and changing the controls. **A11** three methods use the SETUP group directional buttons for control selection and the SCROLL group UP/DOWN buttons for menu changes.

The first method might be called the "direct access" method, and is accomplished as follows:

With the RV placed on a control, selection within that control is accomplished by pressing the UP/DOWN arrows in the SCROLL group, or by selecting the control item number on the ENTRY group keypad and then pressing the ENT button (the menus don't have to be displayed to be changed). The only drawback to this method is that a complete knowledge of the contents of each menu is required. However, once you gain experience operating the SD385, you will find this method to be the most convenient.

The second method is almost the same as the first, except the associated control menu is displayed when a change is made. This allows you to see just what is being changed. The second method is accomplished as follows:

As previously mentioned, each control is accompanied by a menu. The related menus are displayed by pressing the SCROLL group MENU button. When the MENU button is pressed, the right half of the data display (inside the grid boundaries) will be blanked and the menu will appear in its place. There is an located on the menu itself. This RV is moved from one RV menu selection to another using the SCROLL group UP/DOWN buttons, or you can press the number that corresponds to the desired menu item from the ENTRY keypad and then press the the RV located on the menu will go directly to ENT button. the desired selection. You will probably want to use this method until you become familiar with the contents of the various control menus.

Since the amount of space available for control is somewhat limited when data displays are on the screen, the same control menus associated with the display controls are also located on "Setup Pages." The third method of control selection is by accessing these Setup Pages. This method can give the first-time user a better overall picture of all the control menus and numerical entry fields. The following is a brief description of how to access the Setup Pages:

Access to the Setup pages is accomplished by first pressing the SETUP group SETUP ON/OFF button. This same button is used to exit The Setup Pages or the Setup Page listing. The Setup Page listing is the first thing that appears when the SETUP ON/OFF button is pressed, and is titled "PANEL RECALL CONTROL & SETUP PAGE SELECT." With the Setup Page listing on the display, the Setup Pages themselves are accessed by moving the RV on the Setup Page Listing to the desired Setup Page title and then pressing the SCROLL group MENU button.

In addition to containing all of the control menus, the Setup Pages also contain all the various numerical entry controls such as Trigger Threshold, Number of Averages, Zoom Center Frequency, etc. For these selections a numerical value will be assigned using the ENTRY group keypad. The selections made on all of these controls are the configuration of the analyzer.

Basically, you will see one of three things on the SD385 display:

SETUP PAGES (or the Setup page listing) **ANALYZER DISPLAY FUNCTIONS** (any data display) **WATERFALL DISPLAY** (the Waterfall display capability is a standard feature)

The Waterfall Feature is entered/exited by pressing the WATERFALL group DISP ON/OFF button. The Waterfall display is determined by the setting of the Waterfall Display Mode control and the data contents of the currently selected Waterfall File.

The Analyzer display functions are determined by the selected Function, the data contents of the currently selected display Memory, the Display Trace selection and, if the two channel Option is installed, the selected channel or channels. For example:

Group: SPEC Function: SPECTRUM Memory: RT & AVG Trace: DUAL Selected Channel: A Result: Dual trace display of Real Time and Averaged Spectrum data from the same channel. An example of this display and the related Setup Page is shown in Figure 3-2.



Figure 3-2. Setup Page/Display Example

Section III - Operational Overview 3-4

The Setup Page shown in Figure 3-2 is an example of Setup Page 3. The Functions on this Setup Page are the priority configurations of the analyzer. Other controls may be blocked out if they are not compatible with the selected function. For example:

Two controls determine the display function of the analyzer. The first is FUNCTION GROUP (SPEC, TIME, STAT with TF, PWR and IFFT included with the 2 channel instruments). Next is selection within a Function Group. For example, the SPECTRUM Function Group has 2 selections on a single channel SD385. These are:

SPECTRUM FUNCTION

- 1. SPECTRUM (FFT'd data from the Input Memory)
- 2. 1 CH MATH (Spectrum math functions using Spectrum data from two different memories)

The other single-channel Function groups are:

TIME FUNCTION

- 1. TIME & SPEC (Time and Spectrum)
- 2. TIME & PDH (Time and Probability Density Histogram)
- 3. CTIME & TIME (Compressed Time; i.e., the entire contents of the Input Memory and Time)

STATISTICS FUNCT

- 1. **PDH** (Probability Density Histogram)
- 2. CD (Cumulative Distribution)

These are the single-channel Function groups. If you have a 2 channel instrument (SD385-2), these three function groups (Spectrum, Time and Statistics) will have additional 2 channel selections. Also, the single channel functions can be selected for single channel operation on either Channel A or Channel B.

SPECTRUM FUNCTION

1.

- 2.
- 3. 2 CH SPECT (Two-channel Spectrum)
- 4. 2 CH MATH (Spectrum math functions using two channels of Spectrum data)

TIME FUNCTION

- 1.
- 3.
- 3. 4. 2 CH TIME (Two-channel Time)

STATISTICS FUNCT

- 1.
- 2.
- 3. 2 CH PDH (Two-channel Probability Density Histogram)
- 4. 2 CH CD (Two-channel Cumulative Distribution)

In addition, the 2 channel instruments have three more Function groups. These are:

TRANSFER FUNCTION

1. TF (Transfer Function a)

- 2. |TF| & COH (Transfer Function and Coherence)
- 3. TF RE & IM (Transfer Function Real and Imaginary)

POWER FUNCTION

- 1. COP & COH (Coherent Output Power and Coherence)
- 2. **XSPT &** (Cross Spectrum and Phase)
- 3. XSP RE & IM (Cross Spectrum Real and Imaginary)

IFFT FUNCTION

- 1. AUTO-CORR (Auto-correlation)
- 2. CROSS-CORR (Cross-correlation)
- 3. IMPULSE-RES (Impulse response)
- 4. TIM & OUTRES (Time and Output Response)

All of these Function groups (Spectrum, Time, Statistics, Transfer Function, Power and IFFT) are accompanied by Display Memory selections (DISPLAY MEM Menu), unique to the selected function. For example, some of the single channel functions have the capability of displaying the contents of two separate memories, simultaneously, in a dual trace format. An example of this is selection 1 on the SPECTRUM FUNCTION menu. The display Memory menu that accompanies this selection has three dual-trace memory-select combinations. These are:

- 1. RT & AVG This selection results in a dual display of Real Time Spectrum data and Averaged Spectrum data from the same channel; i.e., the FFT'd contents of the Input Memory (RT) and the contents of the Average Memory (AVG).
- 2. RT & STO This selection results in a dual display of Real Time Spectrum data and Stored-Averaged Spectrum data (the data has to be averaged before it can be stored) from the same channel; i.e., the FFT'd contents of the Input Memory (RT) and the contents of the Storage Memory (STO).
- 3. AVG & STO This selection results in a dual display of Averaged Spectrum data and Stored-Averaged Spectrum data; i.e, the contents of the Average Memory (AVG) and the contents of the Storage Memory (STO).

The SEL TRACE button allows the user to select the number of traces to display. This can be 1 or 2 depending upon the selected function and the number of channels being used.

Therefore, the priority settings for the analyzer are:

Function Selection, Memory Selection, Channel Selection and Display Trace Selection.

Waterfall Display

The Waterfall Memory is used to store time sequential records of the analyzer display data. When the Waterfall feature is enabled, the instrument will display the contents of the currently selected Waterfall File. The "Display Mode" selection determines how the contents of the selected Waterfall File will be displayed. WF-CONT and WF-FULL will display as many full records as are set in the RECORDS PER DISPLAY control. "Single" displays are records in the same format the analyzer uses for display. PEAK display is the result of a scan of the file to display the maximum amplitude found at each X-axis location. PROFILE displays the complete file amplitude variation at any single X-axis point.

Acquiring Data

In order to see data on the display, the selected memory must have signal data in it. Basically, data is acquired by pressing one of four buttons:

Front-Panel Button	Source Memory	Display Indication	
UPDATE AVERAGE START AVERAGE STORE	Input Average Storage	RT or INP AVG STO	Analyzer Memories
WATERFALL LOAD	Waterfall File	FILE X OF X	Waterfall Memory

For the analyzer memories, there are A and B Memories. When you initiate an acquisition into an analyzer memory, the instrument will acquire only into those channels designated by the "Function" number of channels and the SEL CHAN button. For example, pressing AVG START while in single-channel SPECT B will cause only channel B data to be averaged. Channel A Average Memory will be untouched. This allows nonsimultaneous average of different channels. The same rule applies to Input Memory UPDATE and STORE.

The STORE operation involves copying the contents of the Average Memory to the Storage Memory simply by pressing the AVERAGE group STORE button. For the other three operations (UPDATE, AVERAGE START, LOAD WATERFALL) there are controls that determine how the acquisition will occur. These controls are as follows:

UPDATE - Controlled by UPDATE MODE (Control Menu on Setup Page 1):

> UPDATE MODE 1. FREE RUN 2. SINGLE (AMP) TRIG 3. REPEAT (AMP) TRIG *4. SINGLE (EXT) TRIG *5. REPEAT (EXT) TRIG

AVG START - Controlled by AVERAGE MODE and AVERAGE DATA (Control Menus on Setup Page 2):

	AVERAGE	MODE			AVERAGE	DATA
1.	SUM		1	•	TIME	
2.	EXP		2	•	SPEC	
з.	PK		3	•	XPRD	
4.	+ 1					

WATERFALL LOAD - Controlled by WATERFALL UPDATE MODE (Control Menu on Setup Page 6):

UPDATE MODE 1. MAX 2. % LEVEL 3. AVG RCYCL 4. SECONDS 5. +1 *6. +,- △ RPM *7. +&- △ RPM

*These selections will not appear on this menu unless the SRA/TACH Option is installed.

Therefore, each operation can be set up to run at top speed, unsynchronized with anything else until manually stopped by Input Memory HOLD for UPDATE, STOP for AVERAGE and HOLD for WATERFALL, or stopped automatically by synchronizing with some detectable event. Another important consideration when averaging, is the Average Data selection. This is the control the RV will position itself on when the AVG FIELD LOCATOR button is The selections on this control menu allow the user pressed. to average TIME data, Frequency Magnitude data or complex Frequency data in the background of any display. This setting is limited only by the requirements of the display For example. TF & 0 (TRANSFER FUNCTION and PHASE) function. data cannot be computed from just the magnitude frequency average, so the analyzer will choose complex average when MAG is set in that display.

Additional considerations for Input Memory UPDATE will be TRIG THRESHOLD (level to trigger on an internal trigger), TRIG DELAY, INPUT COUPLING (AC or DC) and SAMPLING SOURCE (to enable Signature Ratio analysis).

Parameters that control Waterfall UPDATE MODE are on Setup Page 6 and include % LEVEL (acquisition occurs when signal amplitude reaches an operator-determined percentage), AVG RCYCL (Waterfall feature controls analyzer Averaging function), SECONDS (Acquisition every X seconds) and, if the SRA/TACH Option is installed, ^RPM (Trigger RPM).

All of these controls are covered in painful detail in the subsections that follow this overview.

Processing Controls

Much of the data processing requires proper calibration settings of the instrument such as Input Level (selected separately for each channel), Frequency Range and FFT Weighting.

Analysis Band selection allows increasing the resolution with ZOOM analysis. Included is a ZOOM MULTIPLIER selection (from 2 to 128 in a binary sequence) and the ability to assign the center frequency either from the front panel or a Setup Page.

Variable transform length is available as 100, 200, 400 or 800 lines. This control is hidden until the RV is placed just to the right of the Analysis Band control. This is shown in Figure 3-3.



Figure 3-3. Accessing the RESOLUTION Control Menu from the Data Display

The display is also controlled by the selected Y-units (V, EU, DB, DBV, DBR, CEU), Y-units distribution (LIN/LOG) and a selectable log range (window) of 20, 40 or 80 dB.

Similarly, X-axis units variations are available for each domain (Frequency, Time, Amplitude) and the user can select linear expansion or log distribution along the X-axis.

includes Display Math upper-lower trace math (sum, difference, product, ratio) available in single-channel (math between two different memories) Spectrum and twochannel Spectrum (math between two channels). Artificial Integration can be obtained by selecting "CEU" (Compensated Engineering Units) for Y-units on Setup Page 4 and indicating the desired transducer-display relationships on Setup Page 5.

Special Capabilities

A Digital Plotter/ThinkJet(tm) printer feature that operates GPIB interface HP-GL Plotters/ThinkJet(tm) printers to produce quality graphics copies of the display data and annotation (front-panel PLOT or PRINT button).

HELP messages for all the buttons and display controls (front-panel HELP button).

Six complete configuration setups stored in "PANELS" 1-6 via PANEL, #, ENT. These configurations are stored even when power is off and the unit is unplugged, and can be easily recalled by pressing PANEL, #, RCL (front-panel PANEL button).

Optional Capabilities

Data Storage - Built-in disk drive Signature Ratio Adapter 2 Channel Analysis

3-2 GETTING STARTED

This part of Section III provides proper power-on procedures and additional information on using the Control Menus, Setup Page Listing and Setup Pages.

3-2.1 Power-On Procedures

The first thing you want to do is to check the area of the side panel where the power cord is to be connected and refer to Figure 3-4.



Figure 3-4. Side-Panel Power Group Showing the Location of the ON/OFF Switch, Voltage Selector, Fuse Holder and Power Cord Connection.

Check the fuse holder and make sure the proper fuse is installed (you want to do this with the power cord disconnected). Check the Voltage Selector and make sure that the proper line voltage is selected. Plug the female end of the power cord into the side-panel power cord receptacle. Don't plug the other end in yet. Refer to Figure 3-5 and the side panel of the SD385 and make sure that the Power Switch is in the 0 position. Plug the other end of the power cord into the power source. Place the Power Switch in the 1 position and make sure the front-panel POWER indicator is lit (green LED).



Figure 3-5. Side-Panel Power Switch

When this is accomplished, an introductory statement will appear on the display. Your display should be similar to Figure 3-6.

HELLO I'M AN SD385-2 (NOMAD 2-CH ANALYZER) WITH VER 1.0 FIRMWARE
OPTIONS INSTALLED,
-3 TACHOMETER-SIGNATURE RATIO ADAPTOR
PRESS SELECT TRACE OR HELP TO CONTINUE

Figure 3-6. Power-On Display

The first line of the message starts off with a pleasant greeting and then indicates the number of channels available in your instrument.

NOTE

The two channel configuration is an option. The operating procedures in this section cover both configurations (1 and 2 channel).

The second line of information on the Power-On Display will have the version number of the firmware in your instrument. The "OPTIONS INSTALLED" statement will have a list of options installed in your instrument. The bottom line of information (PRESS SEL TRACE, or HELP TO CONTINUE) tells you that you have to press one of these front-panel buttons to begin operating the instrument. The following information describes what takes place when one of these buttons is pressed.

Pressing the SEL TRACE button selects the Operating Mode. When this button is pressed, the introductory message will disappear, and the display configuration that appears will be the display configuration that was present the last time the instrument was turned off. For reference purposes, the power-on display used in this description will be a "Panel, 0, Recall" display. This is a fixed factory reference display configuration that can be accessed by pressing the following sequence of front-panel buttons: PANEL, 0, RCL.

Pressing the HELP button enables the HELP feature. HELP is a built-in quick reference feature that allows the user to access over 100 messages containing information for all the front-panel buttons and control fields. When the HELP button is first pressed, the following message will appear on the display:

99 · 99 · 4 <u>2</u>	SPECTRUM	RT	<u>DG 9</u>	DO NT	<u>GH</u>	R 10KHZ
0	HELF					LVL A
	INFORMATION FIELD IS OBT	FOR A FRONT PANEL Ained as follows,	. BUTTON,	OR A CO	NTROL	57
DB	HELF FOR A B	TTTOLE PRESS THE "HELP" IS	BUTTON	S) FOR W	HICH	
LOG	HELP FOR CON	FIELD SEL WHICH "HE	ECTOR TO LP" IS D	VERSE-VI THE FIE ESIRED_U	LD FOR SING THE	
LUG		SETUP UP/	DHZLFZRT ATOR KEY	ARROWS (S.	OR THE	LVL B AC
	EXIT HELPS	PRESS HELE TO RES	TORE NOR	MAL OPER	ATION.	57
ł	SELF TEST	INITIATES ANALYZE	R "SELF	TEST" FU	NCTION.	
		INITIALIZES THE A Data memories.	NALYZER	AND ERASI	ES ALL	
-80	10F 3 10FN	700		128 117	557	
4953.1	325.0 NORM 249 HZ RT:	ZM8 ZOOM -89.3 DB	ΔF 3	.125 HZ		KP N Ø

This is how the feature works:

Help messages for the control fields that surround the display can be accessed by first pressing the HELP button, then moving the RV to the desired control field using either the SETUP group directional buttons or the FIELD LOCATOR group buttons. Pressing any other button (except HELP, SELF TEST or SYS RESET) while HELP is enabled will cause a HELP message for that button or group of buttons to appear on the display. Press the HELP button, again, to exit the HELP feature.

3-3 ACCESSING THE MENUS AND SETUP PAGES

As previously stated, all instrument configuration parameters are accessed via the Control Menus and/or Setup Pages. Changes can be made on the Setup Pages themselves, or by accessing the menus on an individual basis from the data The contents of some of the menus will display. vary depending upon the selected function and the configuration of Also, there are some control menus the selected function. and control fields available only by accessing the Setup Therefore, the Setup Pages will be described first to Pages. familiarize the first-time user with all the control menus and control fields.

As previously described, access to the Setup Pages is accomplished by pressing the SETUP group SETUP ON/OFF button. Initially, this displays the Setup Page Listing (Figure 3-6). The title of this list is "PANEL RECALL CONTROL & SETUP PAGE SELECT." Each selection on the Setup Page Listing has a corresponding Setup Page. The individual Setup Pages are accessed by first selecting the desired Setup Page title on the Setup Page Listing, and then pressing the MENU button. Selection of the Setup Page title from the Listing can be accomplished any one of four ways. Here's how:

- First: The SETUP group UP/DOWN buttons, when pressed, will cause the Setup-Page Listing RV to move in the indicated direction with "wraparound" occurring in both directions; i.e., if the RV is on selection 1, pressing the SETUP group UP button will cause the RV to appear at selection 9, and vice-versa.
- Second: The SCROLL group UP/DOWN buttons, when pressed, also cause the Setup-Page Listing RV to move in the indicated direction with "wraparound" occurring in both directions (just like the first method).
- Third: Press the corresponding number of the desired item on the ENTRY keypad, then press the ENT button.
- Fourth: Each time the PAGE ADV button is pressed, the RV on Setup Page Listing will move to the next the selection, in descending order only. However, this feature has "wrap-around". When the last selection on the Setup Page Listing is reached, pressing the ADV button again returns the RV to the first PAGE This last method works either when the selection. Setup Page Listing is being displayed, or when an actual Setup Page is being displayed, and is used, primarily, when displaying the Setup Pages. The PAGE ADV button allows you to step through and view each Setup Page in the same order as they appear on the Setup Page Listing without displaying the Listing. The Setup Pages are displayed/exited by pressing the SCROLL group MENU button (toggles between the Setup Page Listing and the selected Setup Page). Also, you can go directly from a Setup Page to the data display by pressing the SETUP group SETUP ON/OFF button (toggles between the Setup Page Listing or a Setup Page and the data display). This allows you to exit a Setup Page without going back to the Setup Page Listing. However, if you use this method to exit a

Setup Page, the next time the SETUP group SETUP ON/OFF button is pressed, the last setup page selection will reappear (not the Setup Page Listing). If you want the Setup Page Listing to reappear, press the SCROLL group MENU button.

Figure 3-7 is provided as a quick reference guide to familiarize the user with the location of specific setup pages and Setup Page items.





Figure 3-7. The Setup Pages 3-19/3-20

Figure 3-8 is provided as quick reference guide for the Menus and Control Fields that can be accessed directly from the display. The related Setup Pages are also noted.



Figure 3-8. Display Controls Accessed by the RV

3-3.1 Setup Page 1 -- ACQUISITION CONTROL

Some of the Controls on this Setup Page can be accessed directly from the data display and front panel without accessing Setup Page 1. Figure 3-ACQSN-1 shows the location of each of the Controls that can be accessed in this manner.



Figure 3-ACQSN-1. ACQUISITION PAGE Control Menus and Numerical Entry Fields that can be Accessed Directly From the Data Display and Front Panel

- RECALLABLE ACQUISITION PAGE UPDATE MODE: FREE RUN UPDATE MODE TRIG THRESHOLD: [1. GREE RUNN 2. SINGLE(AMP) TRIG 3. REPEAT(AMP) TRIG 4. SINGLE(EXT) TRIG 5. REPEAT(EXT) TRIG TRIG DELAY: B REL. TO A DELAY: Ø OVERLAP: 3/4 AVG STOP ON [COUNT] AVG TARGET COUNT: AVG TARGET TIME: SAMPLING SOURCE | INTERNAL INPUT COUPLING: A: AC 1 FOR CHANNEL SELECTION: FOR A FIELD SELECTION: TO EXERCISE A FIELD: FOR NEXT 'SETUP PAGE': FOR LIST OF 'SETUP PAG PRESS SETUP PRESS SETUP PRESS SCROLL PRESS S PRESS 'M 'LF/RT' A 'UP/DN' A 'UP/DN' A TUP 'PAGE ARROWS . ARROWS ARROWS ŠETŬP ADV TO EXIT 'SETUP MODE'

UPDATE MODE:

Control Menu for Selecting the Update Mode.

This Control Menu and the next three Numerical Entry Fields (TRIG THRESHOLD, TRIG DELAY, B REL TO A DELAY), control what happens when the front-panel UPDATE button is pressed.

- 1. FREE RUN Input Memory data is acquired at the instrument's update rate. Update rate will vary depending upon the number of channels acquiring data, selected frequency range and selected baseband resolution.
- 2. SINGLE(AMP) TRIG Transient Capture update mode. Input Memory acquisition is triggered by user-entered TRIG THRESHOLD (Threshold percentage) level. Each time acquisition occurs, the Input Memory is automatically placed in HOLD. Each acquisition is initiated by pressing the INPUT MEMORY group UPDATE button (Transient arm).
- 3. REPEAT(AMP) TRIG Transient capture Auto Trig mode. As with Selection 2, Input Memory acquisition is triggered by a user-entered TRIG THRESHOLD (Threshold percentage) level, each time acquisition occurs, and the Input Memory is placed in HOLD. Once the acquired data is displayed, the instrument is then automatically primed for the next trigger, and the TRIG LED will flash for each new acquisition.

Setup Page 1 - Acquisition Control 3-ACQSN-2

4. SINGLE(EXT) TRIG Same as selection 2 except trigger is from an external source via the front-six panel EXT TRIG BNC connector. This selection is available only when the SRA/TACH Option is installed.

5. REPEAT(EXT) TRIG Same as selection 3 except, as with selection 4, trigger is from an external source via the front-panel EXT TRIG BNC connector (same connector). This selection is available only when the SRA/TACH Option is installed.

TRIG THRESHOLD:



Numerical Entry Field for Entering Data Acquisition Level.

This Numerical Entry Field is used to select a threshold (for Transient Capture) that the incoming trigger must equal or exceed for acquisition to occur. The threshold is the entered percentage of twice the F.S. INPUT LEVEL (Setup Page 2). This is because the input level can be expressed as rms when the signal is peak. Since 1 Vrms equals 1.414 Vpk, the display is rounded up to 2 V to avoid clipping. Therefore a 50% Trigger Threshold setting on a F.S. INPUT LEVEL of 1 V will allow acquisition of signals equal to or greater than 1 Vpk only.



SETHE Numerical Entry Field for Entering Channel A Data Acquisition Delay.

PAGES

MENU'

ON/OFF

PRESS

114.4

Trigger Delay is a user-entered value that determines the number of samples delayed from trigger detection to the beginning of the actual, held data (delay referenced to CHANNEL A). The delay is positive if data of interest occurs after trigger, or negative if data occurs before trigger. If you have a two channel instrument, and Channel B is selected for a single channel function, then this is Channel B delay. If a two channel function is selected, and relative delay = 0, then this is also Channel B delay.

B REL. TO A DELAY:



Numerical Entry Field for Entering Channel B Data Acquisition Delay.

User-entered value that determines the number of samples (counts) that channel B is delayed relative to channel A. This value can be positive or negative.



Control Menu for Selecting Percent of Memory Period Overlap.

selections for memory period overlap in Control Menu are fractional increments. Memory period overlap compensates for to FFT weighting. Figure 3-ACQSN-2 is an data loss due example of each overlap selection.



Figure 3-ACQSN-2 Memory Period Overlap Examples



Control Menu for Selecting the Type of Averaging.

1. COUNT - N

- This selection specifies averaging is to be performed on a user-entered number of data ensembles.
- 2. TIME T This selection specifies averaging is to be performed over a selected time interval.

NOTE

When TIME is selected on the AVG STOP ON menu, the AVG N annotation on the display will count the number of seconds until the AVG TARGET TIME entry is reached. The display will then indicate the number of ensembles averaged during this period.



Numerical Entry Field for Entering Average Count.

This is where the number of ensembles to be averaged (COUNT-N) are entered. Values are entered via the ENTRY keypad. Any value already present on the AVG N Field will be replaced by the latest user-entered value. There is no need to clear a previously entered value. Once the desired value is selected, pressing the ENT button replaces the previous entry with the new value. The maximum number of counts that can be entered is 2000 for N and 999 for T.

Both this parameter and the next one (AVG TARGET TIME) have a related front-panel button (AVG#) that allows numerical entry without accessing the Setup Page. Which one appears when the button is pressed depends upon the AVG STOP ON selection (COUNT-N or TIME-T).

AVG TARGET TIME:



Numerical Entry Field for Entering Average Time Duration.

Setup Page 1 - Acquisition Control 3-ACQSN-7

SAMPLING SOURCE:



Control Menu for Selecting the Source of the Analyzer's Sampling Frequency.

- 1. EXT SD346 Sampling frequency provided by an externally connected SD346 Signature Ratio Adapter.
- 2. INTERNAL SD385 uses its own internally generated sampling frequency.
- 3. SRA OPTION Optional built-in Signature Ratio. Uses signal from tach digitizer as external sampling frequency generator.

- RECALLABLE	ACQUISITION PAGE
UPDATE MODE: TRIG THRESHOLD: TRIG DELAY: B REL. TO A DELAY: OVERLAP: AVG STOP DN: AVG TARGET COUNT: AVG TARGET TIME:	FREE RUN INPUT COUPLING 10 1 0 2 0 3 10 3 10 3 10 3 10 10 10 10 10 10
SAMPLING SOURCE	A:B:
INPUT COUPLING:	AC AC
FOR A FIELD SELE TO EXERCISE A FI FOR NEXT 'SETUP' FOR_LIST OF 'SET	CTION: PRESS SETUP 'LF/RT' ARROWS. CTION: PRESS SETUP 'UP/DN' ARROWS. ELD: PRESS SCROLL 'UP/DN' ARROWS. PAGE': PRESS SETUP 'PAGE ADV'. JP PAGES': PRESS 'MENU' ON/OFF. DOE' PRESS 'SETUP ON/OFF.

Control Menu for Selecting Input Coupling, ICP Power or the Internally Generated Test Signal.

A selection must be made for each channel when the twochannel Option is installed. The RV is moved back and forth between the Channel A and Channel B Control Fields using the SETUP group LEFT/RIGHT directional buttons.

1. AC Input coupling is ac (-3 dB at 0.7 Hz).

2. DC Input coupling is dc.

- 3. ICP Selected when input is from Piezoelectric sensing device (Accelerometer or Piezoelectric Velocity Transducer). Provides 4mA to transducer via built-in ICP power supply.
- 4. TEST Internally generated square wave, 80mV amplitude, frequency range dependent. Used by instrument during SELF-TEST. When this selection is made, or if a SELF-TEST is performed, there should be nothing connected to either front-panel INPUT BNC connector. The Test Signal is present on these BNC connectors.