

# De-Randomising Mixer Buffer

N1081

#### Introduction

The ANTECH N1081 De-Randomising Mixer Buffer provides useful test and diagnostic information for multi-counting chain neutron detectors (e.g. average channel count and count standard deviation) by determining independent software readable neutron totals counting for each input counting chain and statistical data analysis for each counting channel. The system eliminates counting losses and reduces dead time, especially at high count rates. It provides a useful visual indication of the operation of neutron counting systems. The device consists of custom VLSI circuits that are housed in a stand-alone box requiring a 5 Volt power supply. The box also houses the input and output BNC connectors, an RS-232 serial port connector and the indicating LEDs. The design and manufacture of the N1081 is conducted in accordance with the ISO 9001 standard of Quality Assurance.

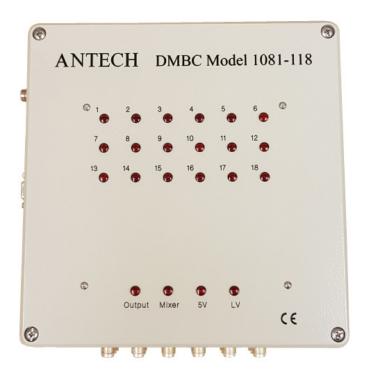
The output of each amplifier/discriminator associated with a set of <sup>3</sup>He neutron detector tubes is connected to one of the mixer input channels. The output channel of the device can be connected directly to the input of a neutron coincidence counter or neutron multiplicity counter, such as the N150 Advanced Multiplicity Shift Register operating with INCC 32-B neutron counting software.

The N1081 may be used as a passive device, with only the pulse buffer and mixer functions available. These functions are also available if the counters on the input channels are controlled externally. Commands for starting, stopping, reading and resetting the counters are provided. The counters may be controlled using software installed on a PC via a serial port.

ANTECH is able to provide custom software solutions tailored to customers' specific requirements. Mixer data can be appended to the INCC 32 data files.

#### **Features**

- Independent software readable neutron totals counting for each input counting chain
- Provides useful test and diagnostic information for multi-counting chain neutron detectors
- Custom VLSI technology for high reliability
- LED displays indicate pulses present on each channel and count activity
- Easy to use computer readable totals counter software
- Developers software tool kit available
- Compact rugged design
- CE/UL compliant



### **Benefits**

- Provides High Voltage distribution from neutron detectors (HV power supply not provided)
- Provides Low voltage distribution to charge sensitive amplifier array
- Units can be cascaded for additional inputs
- Eliminates counting losses and reduced dead time, especially at high count rates



## **Specification**

|  | Model 1081-108  | Model 1081-118 |
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| Dimensions (H x W x D)                     | 250 mm x 250 mm x 120 mm                                |                |
| (excluding connectors)                     | (9.84 in x 9.84 mm x 4.72 in)                           |                |
| Weight (kg)                                | 3.7   |                |
| Input                                      | 8   | 18             |
| Output                                     | 1   |                |
| Maximum input count rate                   | 2 MHz per channel                                       |                |
| Input pulse width                          | 30 ns ± 5 ns  |                |
| Output pulse width                         | 50 ns ± 5 ns  |                |
| Maximum continuous count rate              | 10 MHz  |                |
| Period between consecutive pulses          | 100 nS  |                |
| Burst pulse buffer size                    | 55 pulses   |                |
| Number of bit totals counter on each input | 32  |                |
| Power requirements                         | 5V dc   |                |
| Safety                                     | EN61010-1:2001  |                |
| EMC  | EN61000-6-4:2001 Emissions<br>EN61000-6-2:2001 Immunity |                |
| Maximum high voltage                       | 2 kV  |                |
| Operating range                            | 5°C to 40°C, 20% to 80% RH                              |                |
| Storage range                              | 0°C to 60°C, 20% to 80% RH                              |                |

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