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	EN55103-1: 1996	Emission
	EN55103-2: 1996	Immunity

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1 Introduction to Synapse

An Introduction to Synapse

Synapse is a modular system designed for the broadcast industry. High density, intuitive operation and high quality processing are key features of this system. Synapse offers a full range of converters and processing modules. Please visit the AXON Digital Design Website at www.axon.tv to obtain the latest information on our new products and updates.

Local Control Panel

The local control panel gives access to all adjustable parameters and provides status information for any of the cards in the Synapse frame, including the Synapse rack controller. The local control panel is also used to back-up and restore card settings. Please refer to the RRC18, RRC10 and RRC04 manuals for a detailed description of the local control panel, the way to set-up remote control over IP and for frame related settings and status information.

Remote Control Capabilities

The remote control options are explained in the rack controller (RRC18/RRC10/RRC04) manual. The method of connection to a computer using Ethernet is described in the RRC manual.



CHECK-OUT: “SYNAPSE SETUP” SOFTWARE WILL INCREASE SYSTEM FLEXIBILITY OF ONE OR MORE SYNAPSE FRAMES

Although not required to set up a Synapse frame, you are strongly advised to use a remote personal computer or laptop PC with the Synapse Setup software as this increases the ease of use and understanding of the modules.

2 Unpacking and Placement

Unpacking

The Axon Synapse card must be unpacked in an anti-static environment. Care must be taken NOT to touch components on the card – always handle the card carefully by the edges. The card must be stored and shipped in anti-static packaging. Ensuring that these precautions are followed will prevent premature failure from components mounted on the board.

Locating the card

The Synapse card can be placed vertically in an SFR18 frame or horizontally in an SFR04 frame. Locate the two guide slots to be used, slide in the mounted circuit board, and push it firmly to locate the connectors.

Correct insertion of card is essential as a card that is not located properly may show valid indicators, but does not function correctly.

3 A Quick Start

When Powering-up

On powering up the Synapse frame, the card set will use basic data and default initialisation settings.

Default settings

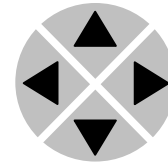
Refer to the menu structure for settings.

Changing settings and parameters

The front panel controls or the Synapse Setup Software can be used to change settings. An overview of the settings can be found in chapter 4, 5, 6 and 7 of this manual.

Front Panel Control

Front Panel Display and Cursor



Settings are displayed and changed as follows;

Use the cursor 'arrows' on the front panel to select the menu and parameter to be displayed and/or changed.

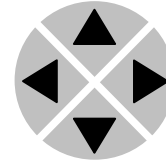
- Press ► To go forward through the menu structure.
- Press ◀ To go back through the menu structure.
- Press ▲ To move up within a menu or increase the value of a parameter.
- Press ▼ To move down through a menu or decrease the value of a parameter.

REMARK: Whilst editing a setting, pressing ► twice will reset the value to its default.

Example of changing parameters using front panel control

With the display as shown below

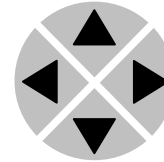
RRC18 [Select Card]
>S01=SFS10



Pressing the ► selects the SFS10 in frame slot 01.

The display changes to indicate that the SFS10 has been selected. In this example the Settings menu item is indicated.

SFS10 [Select Menu]
>Settings

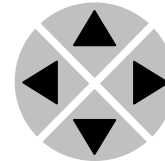


Pressing the ► selects the menu item shown, in this example Settings.

(Pressing ▲ or ▼ will change to a different menu eg Status, Events).

The display changes to indicate that the SFS10 Settings menu item SDI-Format has been selected and shows that its current setting is Auto.

SFS10 [Settings]
>SDI-Format=Auto

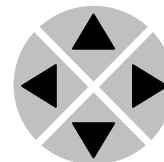


Pressing the ► selects the settings item shown, in this example SDI-Format.

(Pressing ▲ or ▼ will change to a different setting, eg Mode, H-Delay).

The display changes to indicate that the SFS10 Edit Setting menu item SDI-Format has been selected.

SFS10 [Edit Setting]
SDI-Format>Auto



To edit the setting of the menu item press ▲ or ▼.

All menu items can be monitored and/or changed in this way. Changing a setting has an immediate effect.

Synapse Setup Software

Synapse Setup Software can be used to change the settings of Synapse modules from a PC, either locally or remotely. The software enables communication based on TCP/IP between the setup PC and Synapse frames/modules.

Each Synapse frame is addressed through its rack controller's unique IP address, giving access to each module, its menus and adjustment items. The Synapse SetUp software has access to data contained within the Synapse module and displays it on a GUI. The software has an intuitive structure following that of the module that it is controlling.

Having selected the desired Frame and Module from the GUI Synapse Network View, select the menu item that you wish to open. Opening the menu item gives a complete list of available properties with their associated Value.

For example to change a setting e.g. SDI-Format, select SDI-Format from the list of settings by 'double clicking' to open a dialogue box. The dialogue box allows parameters to be changed or set to default value. On completion close the dialogue box.

Menu Structure Example

Slot	Module	Item	Parameter	Setting
▲				
▲				
S02		Identity		
▲		▲		
S01	SFS10	▶ Settings	▶ SDI-Format	▶ Auto
▼		▼	▼	▼
S00	RRC18	Status	Mode	625
		▼	▼	▼
		Events	Ref-Input	525
			▼	
			H-Delay	
			▼	
			▼	

REMARK Further information about Front Panel Control and Synapse Setup Software can be obtained from the RRC18 and RRC04 operational manuals.

4 The SDR08 & SDN08 Cards

Introduction The AXON SDR08 & SDN08 series provide a range of distribution amplifiers, the SDR08 provided reclocking of the input signal.

SDN08 The SDN08 is a single input, eight output distribution amplifier.

SDR08 The SDR08 is a single input, eight output distribution amplifier that re-clocks the input signal to ensure stability of the eight outputs.

5 Settings Menu

Introduction

The settings menu displays the current state of each setting within the SDR08 & SDN08 and enables the item to be changed or adjusted.

Settings can be changed using the front panel of the Synapse frame (SFR18 or SFR04) or Synapse Setup software.

Please refer to chapter 3 for information on the Synapse front panel control and Synapse Setup software.

6 Status Menu

Introduction The status menu indicates the current status of each item listed below.

SDI-Input SDR08 & SDN08. This status item indicates the presence of a valid SDI signal at the input. SDI-Input indicates if an input signal is SDI. Can be:

- Present: SDI input has been detected
- None: No input signal detected
- NoDetect: Input detected, but not SDI

Note: When unused outputs are not terminated correctly, the SDI input status will not be reliable.

7 Events Menu

Introduction	An event is a special message that is generated on the card asynchronously. This means that it is not the response to a request to the card, but a spontaneous message.
What is the Goal of an event?	The goal of events is to inform the environment about a changing condition on the card. A message may be broadcast to mark the change in status. The message is volatile and cannot be retrieved from the system after it has been broadcast. There are several means by which the message can be filtered.
SDR08 & SDN08 Events	The events reported by the SDR08 & SDN08 are as follows;
Announcements	<p>Announcements is not an event. This item is only used for switching the announcement of status changes on/off. 0=off, other =on.</p> <p>Beware: this does NOT influence the announcement from the cards within the frame or the announcing of the Frame Status object. Use the 'Settings' menu items 'Broadcasts' and 'Forwarding' for Announcement propagation on the network.</p>
Input	SDR08 & SDN08. Input can be selected between 0 .. 255. 0= no event, 1..255 is the priority setting.
What information is available in an event?	<p>The message consists of the following items;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) A message string to show what has happened in text, for example: "INP_LOSS", "REF_LOSS", "INP_RETURN".2) A tag that also shows what happens, but with a predefined number: e.g. 1 (= loss of input), 2 (= loss of reference), 129(= 1+128 = return of input). For a list of these predefined tags see the table on the next page.3) A priority that marks the importance of an event. This value is defined by the user and can have any value between 1 and 255, or 0 when disabled.4) A slot number of the source of this event.

The Message String

The message string is defined in the card and is therefore fixed. It may be used in controlling software like Synapse Setup to show the event.

The Tag

The tag is also defined in the card. The tag has a fixed meaning. When controlling or monitoring software should make decisions based on events, it is easier to use the tag instead of interpreting a string. The first implementation is the tag controlled switch in the GPI16.

In cases where the event marks a change to fault status (e.g. 1 for Loss of Input) the complement is marked by the tag increased by 128 (80_{hex}) (e.g. 129 (81_{hex}) for Return of Input).

Defining Tags

The tags defined for the SDR & SDN series are:

Event Menu Item	Tag		Description
Announcements	0 or NA	0 or NA	Announcing of report and control values
Input	01 _{hex} =INP_LOSS	81 _{hex} =INP_RETURN	SDI input lost or returned

The Priority

The priority is a user-defined value. The higher the priority of the alarm, the higher this value. Setting the priority to Zero disables the announcement of this alarm. Alarms with priorities equal or higher than the Error Threshold setting of the RRC will cause the error LED on the Synapse rack front panel to light.

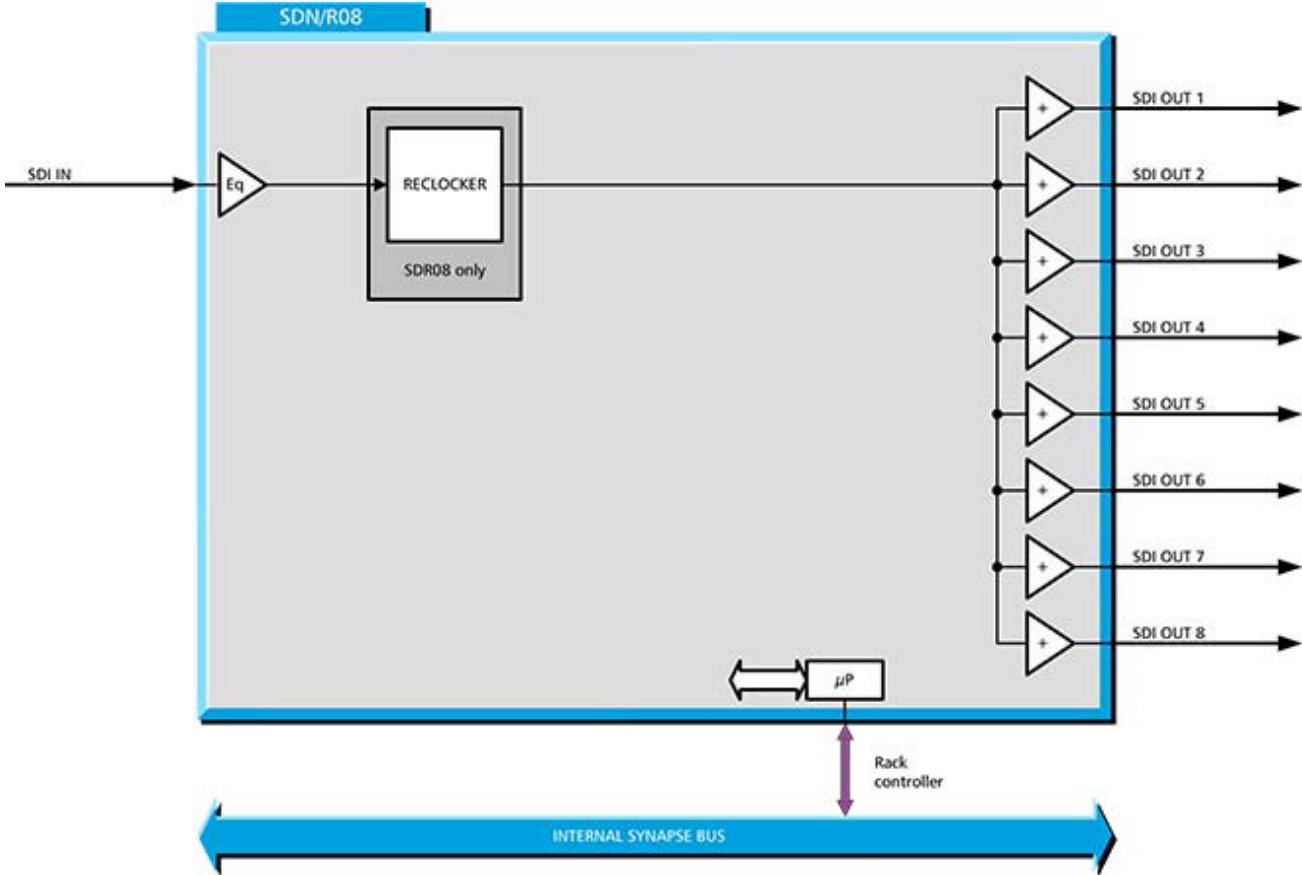
The Address

Together with the message string or the tag, the slot number or address of the card is relevant to be able to assign the event to a certain card.

8 LED Indication

Error LED	The error LED indicates an error if the internal logic of the SDR or SDN card is not configured correctly or has a hardware failure.
Input LED	This LED indicated the presence of a valid serial digital video signal on the input.
Connection LED	This LED illuminates after the card has initialised. The LED lights for 0.5 seconds every time a connection is made to the card.

9 Block Schematics



10 Connector Panel

The SDR08 & SDN08 can be used with the following backplane:
BPL01.

!Unused inputs and outputs must be terminated with the correct impedance, otherwise the distribution amplifier will not work properly!

