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INSTRUCTIONS

MODEL AV-110G-PS

0 to  $\pm 200V$ , 350 kHz

VARIABLE-GAIN

LINEAR AMPLIFIER

SERIAL NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

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## INTRODUCTION

The Model AV-110G-PS variable-gain linear amplifier accepts input voltages in the range of 0 to  $\pm 2V$ , and has a variable gain of +1 to +100. The maximum output voltage is  $\pm 200V$ . The AV-110G-PS will drive load impedances of 50 k $\Omega$  or higher. The amplifier bandwidth is 350 kHz.

This instrument is intended for use in research, development, test and calibration laboratories by qualified personnel.

## HIGH-VOLTAGE PRECAUTIONS

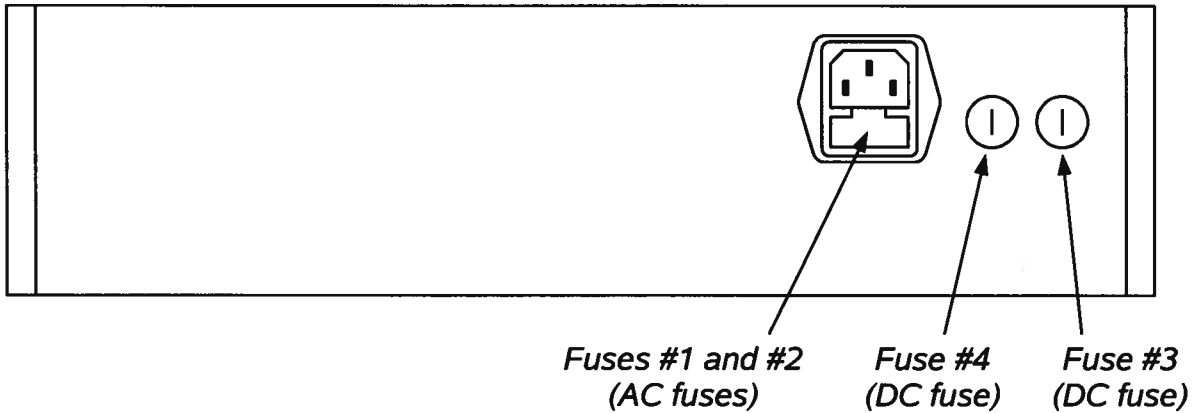
 **CAUTION:** This instrument provides output voltages as high as  $\pm 200$  Volts, so extreme caution must be employed when using this instrument. The instrument should only be used by individuals who are thoroughly skilled in high voltage laboratory techniques. The following precaution should always be observed:

- 1) Keep exposed high-voltage wiring to an absolute minimum.
- 2) Wherever possible, use shielded connectors and cabling.
- 3) Connect and disconnect loads and cables only when the amplifier is turned off.
- 4) Keep in mind that all cables, connectors, oscilloscope probes, and loads must have an appropriate voltage rating.
- 5) Do not attempt any repairs on the instrument, beyond the fuse replacement procedures described in this manual. Contact Avtech technical support (see page 2 for contact information) if the instrument requires servicing.

6. no pollution or only dry, non-conductive pollution.

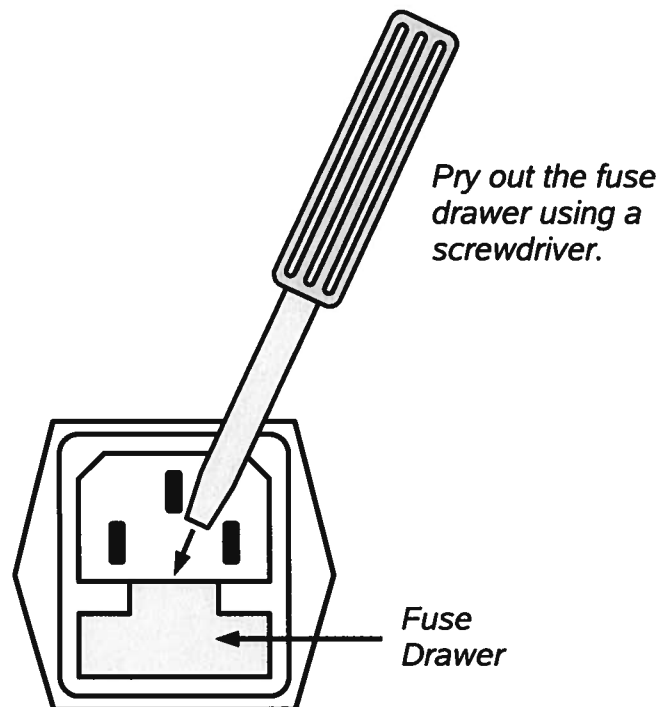
## FUSES

This instrument contains four fuses. All are accessible from the rear-panel. Two protect the AC prime power input, and two protect the internal DC power supplies. The locations of the fuses on the rear panel are shown in the figure below:



### AC FUSE REPLACEMENT

To physically access the AC fuses, the power cord must be detached from the rear panel of the instrument. The fuse drawer may then be extracted using a small flat-head screwdriver, as shown below:



## DC FUSE REPLACEMENT

The DC fuses may be replaced by inserting the tip of a flat-head screwdriver into the fuse holder slot, and rotating the slot counter-clockwise. The fuse and its carrier will then pop out.

## FUSE RATINGS

The following table lists the required fuses:

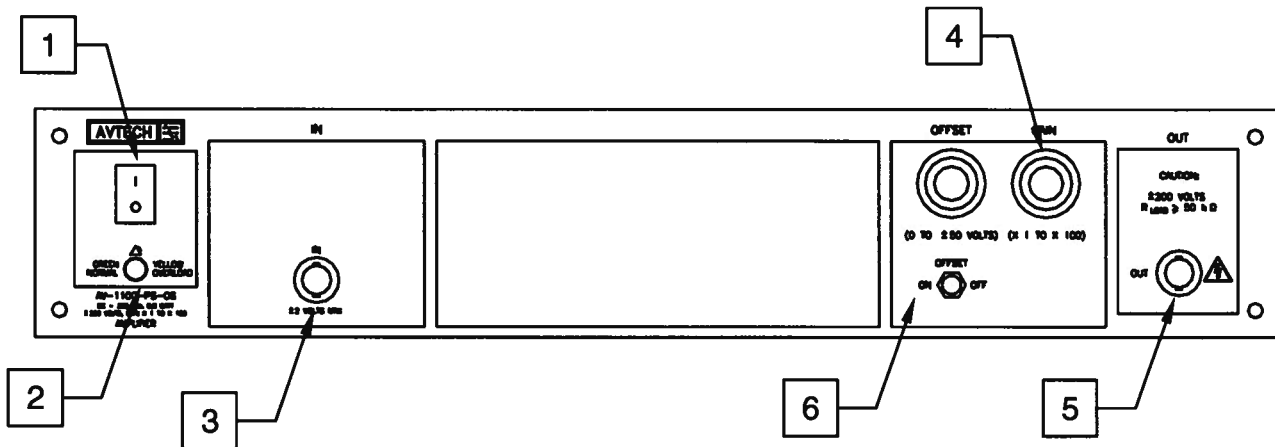
| Fuses       | Nominal Mains Voltage | Rating                 | Case Size | Recommended Replacement Part |                       |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
|             |                       |                        |           | Littelfuse Part Number       | Digi-Key Stock Number |
| #1, #2 (AC) | 100-240V              | 0.5A, 250V, Time-Delay | 5×20 mm   | 0218.500HXP                  | F2416-ND              |
| #3 (DC)     | N/A                   | 1.6A, 250V, Time-Delay | 5×20 mm   | 021801.6HXP                  | F2424-ND              |
| #4 (DC)     | N/A                   | 1.0A, 250V, Time-Delay | 5×20 mm   | 0218001.HXP                  | F2419-ND              |

The recommended fuse manufacturer is Littelfuse (<http://www.littelfuse.com>).

Replacement fuses may be easily obtained from Digi-Key (<http://www.digikey.com>) and other distributors.




## FRONT PANEL CONTROLS



1. **POWER Switch**. This is the main power switch. When turning the instrument on, there may be a delay of several seconds before the instrument appears to respond.
2. **OVERLOAD Indicator**. When the instrument is powered, this indicator is normally green, indicating normal operation. If this indicator is yellow, an internal automatic overload protection circuit has been tripped. If the unit is overloaded (by operating at an exceedingly high duty cycle or by operating into a very low impedance), the protective circuit will disable the output of the instrument and turn the indicator light yellow. The light will stay yellow (i.e. output disabled) for about 5 seconds after which the instrument will attempt to re-enable the output (i.e. light green) for about 1 second. If the overload condition persists, the output will be disabled again (i.e. light yellow) for another 5 seconds. If the overload condition has been removed, the instrument will resume normal operation.

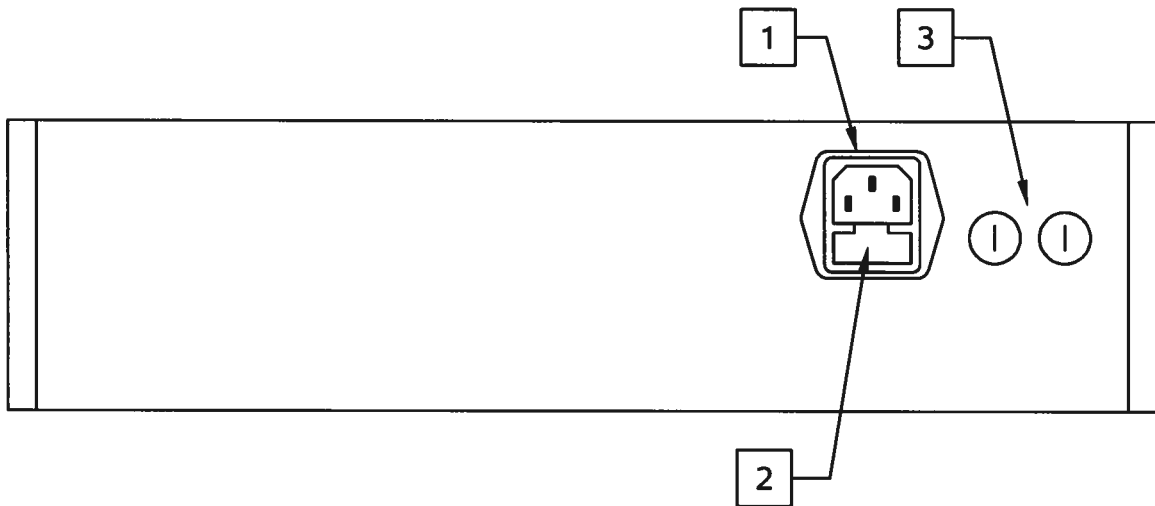
This overload indicator is only likely to come on in two situations:

- Briefly at startup. This is not a cause for concern.
  - When the load impedance is too low ( $< 50 \text{ k}\Omega$ ). In this case, turn off the instrument and connect the proper load.
3. **IN Connector**. The input signal is applied to this connector. The input impedance is approximately  $1 \text{ k}\Omega$ . The input must not exceed  $\pm 2\text{V}$ .
  4. **GAIN Dial**. This ten-turn dial is used to vary the amplifier gain between +1 and +100.
  5. **OUT Connector**. This BNC connector provides the main output signal. The output is an amplified version of the input on (3). The gain ( $V_{\text{OUT}}/V_{\text{IN}}$ ) is controlled by (4).

 **Caution:** Voltages as high as  $\pm 200\text{V}$  may be present on the center conductor of this output connector. Avoid touching this conductor. Connect to this connector using standard coaxial cable, to ensure that the center conductor is not exposed.

6. OFFSET Controls. (Optional: -OS option only.) This dial varies the DC offset on the output from 0 to  $\pm 50\text{V}$ . The ON/OFF switch below the dial enables and disables this function.

## REAR PANEL CONTROLS



1. AC POWER INPUT. An IEC-320 C14 three-pronged recessed male socket is provided on the back panel for AC power connection to the instrument. One end of the detachable power cord that is supplied with the instrument plugs into this socket.
2. AC FUSE DRAWER. The two fuses that protect the AC input are located in this drawer. Please see the “FUSES” section of this manual for more information.
3. DC FUSES. These two fuses protect the internal DC power supplies. Please see the “FUSES” sections of this manual for more information.

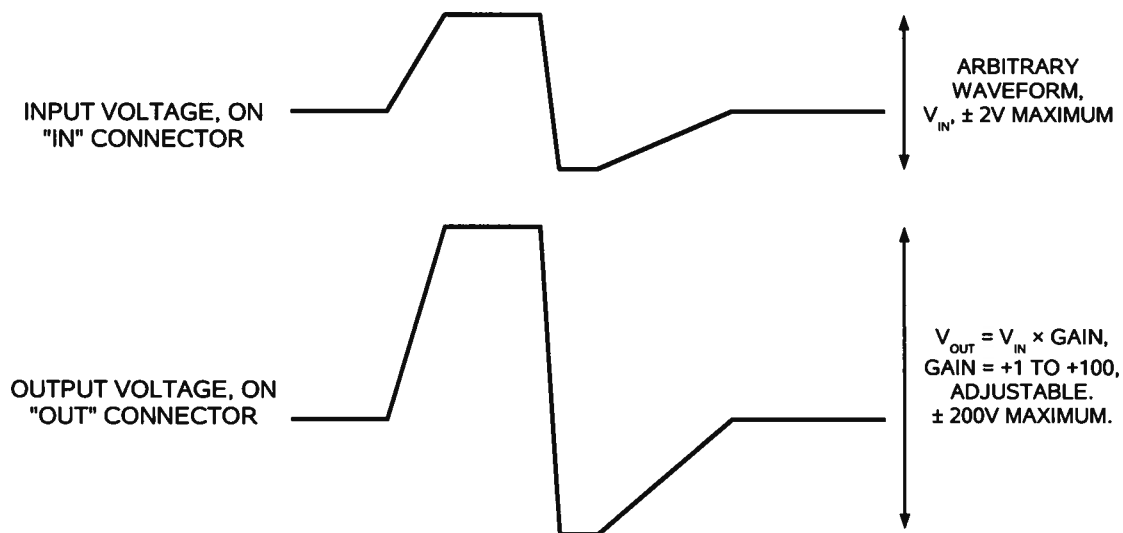
## GENERAL INFORMATION

### BASIC CONTROL

The AV-110G-PS is a DC-350 kHz variable-gain linear amplifier. The gain is variable from +1 to +100, and is adjusted by rotating the "GAIN" control.

The required voltage input signal is applied at the "IN" connector.

This mode is illustrated below:

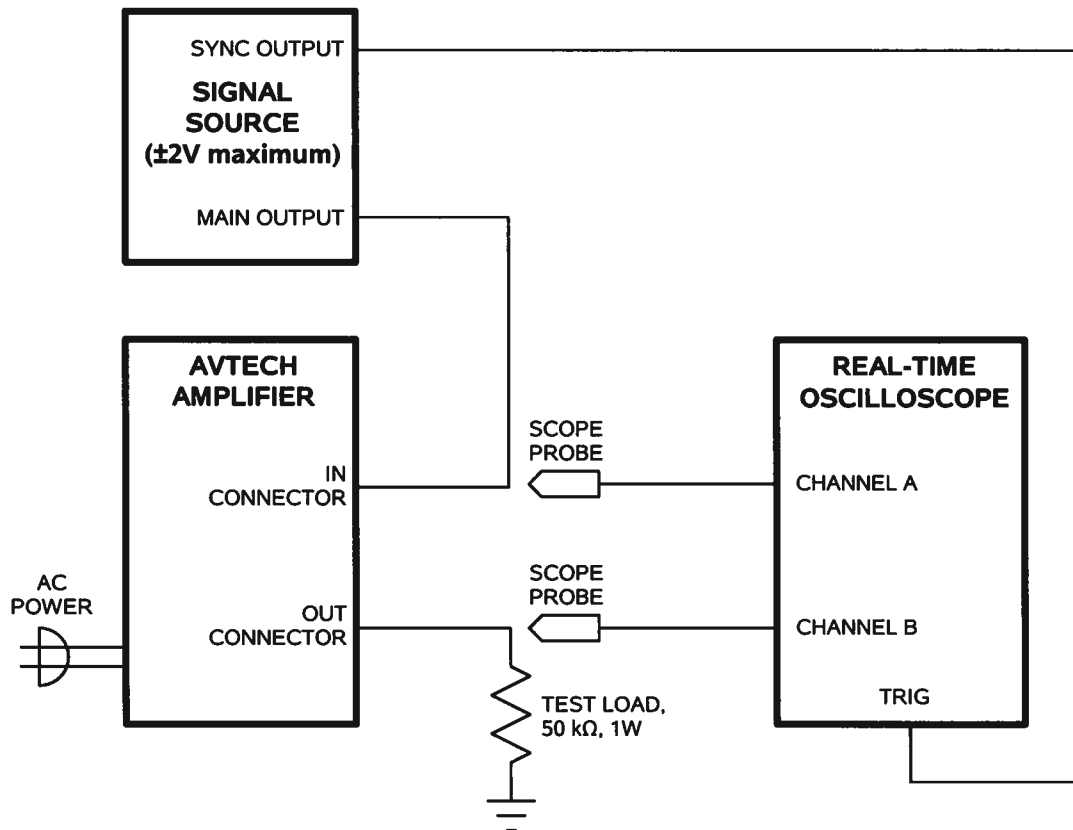


### CABLE LENGTHS

The length of cable used to connect the load to the output of the function generator should be less than 3 feet (1 meter), and ideally less than 18 inches (0.5 meters). At longer lengths, the transmission line reflections caused by the cabling and the cable's capacitance will distort the output signal and degrade the rise and fall times, particularly if the signals with fast rise times are used.

## OPERATIONAL CHECK

This section describes a sequence to confirm the basic operation of the instrument. It should be performed after receiving the instrument. It is a useful learning exercise as well.



*Basic Test Arrangement*


- 1) Connect a 50 kΩ, 1W non-inductive test load between the OUT connector and ground. A higher resistance may also be used, in which case the power rating may be reduced. If cabling is used, keep it less than 3 feet / 1 meter in length. Confirm that the oscilloscope probe and the test load are rated for 200 Volt operation.
- 2) Set the signal generator to produce a ±2V, 10 kHz waveform. (The input impedance of the AV-110G-PS is 1 kΩ). Connect a cable from the SYNC connector of the signal generator to the TRIG input of an oscilloscope. Set the oscilloscope to trigger externally. Connect the main output of the signal generator to the input of the amplifier.
- 3) Connect one oscilloscope probe (channel A) to the output of the signal generator. Set the Channel A vertical scale to 1 V/div.

- 4) Connect one oscilloscope probe (channel B) to the 50 k $\Omega$  load. On the oscilloscope, set the channel A vertical scale to 50 V/div, and the horizontal scale to 100  $\mu$ s/div.
- 5) Set the gain control to minimum (0.0). Turn on the amplifier and the signal generator.
- 6) Rotate the gain control to its maximum setting. The Channel B waveform should increase to  $\pm 200$ V, and have a shape similar to that of the Channel A waveform.
- 7) This completes the operational check.

## MECHANICAL INFORMATION

### TOP COVER REMOVAL

If necessary, the interior of the instrument may be accessed by removing the four Phillips screws on the top panel. With the four screws removed, the top cover may be slid back (and off).

 Always disconnect the power cord and allow the instrument to sit unpowered for 10 minutes before opening the instrument. This will allow any internal stored charge to discharge.

There are no user-adjustable internal circuits. For repairs other than fuse replacement, please contact Avtech ([info@avtechpulse.com](mailto:info@avtechpulse.com)) to arrange for the instrument to be returned to the factory for repair. Service is to be performed solely by qualified service personnel.

 Caution: High voltages are present inside the instrument during normal operation. Do not operate the instrument with the cover removed.

### RACK MOUNTING

A rack mounting kit is available. The -R5 rack mount kit may be installed after first removing the one Phillips screw on the side panel adjacent to the front handle.

### ELECTROMAGNETIC INTERFERENCE

To prevent electromagnetic interference with other equipment, all used outputs should be connected to shielded loads using shielded coaxial cables. Unused outputs should be terminated with shielded coaxial terminators or with shielded coaxial dust caps, to prevent unintentional electromagnetic radiation. All cords and cables should be less than 3m in length.

## MAINTENANCE

### REGULAR MAINTENANCE

This instrument does not require any regular maintenance.

On occasion, one or more of the four rear-panel fuses may require replacement. All fuses can be accessed from the rear panel. See the "FUSES" section for details.

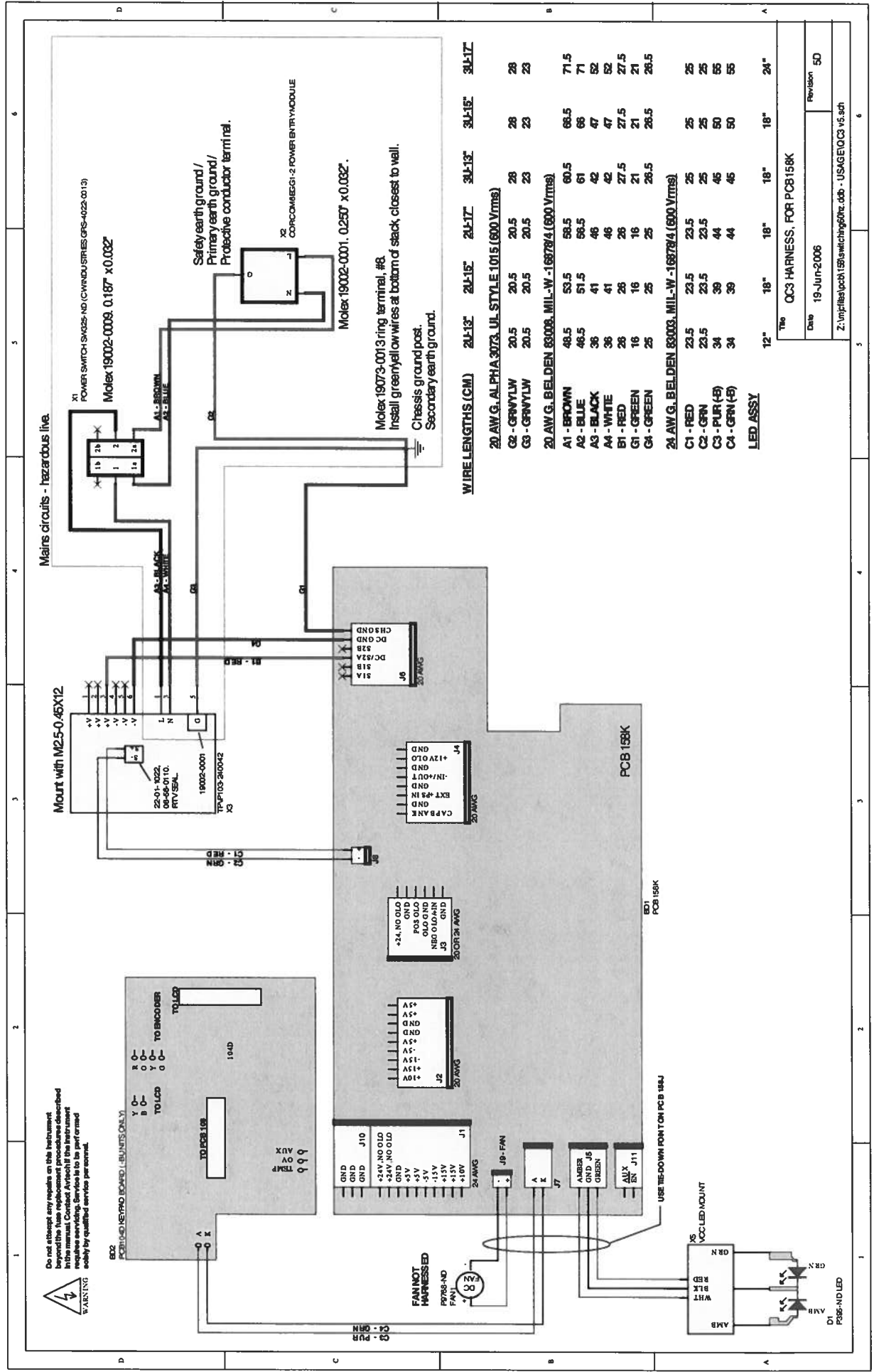
### CLEANING

If desired, the interior of the instrument may be cleaned using compressed air to dislodge any accumulated dust. (See the "TOP COVER REMOVAL" section for instructions on accessing the interior.) No other cleaning is recommended.

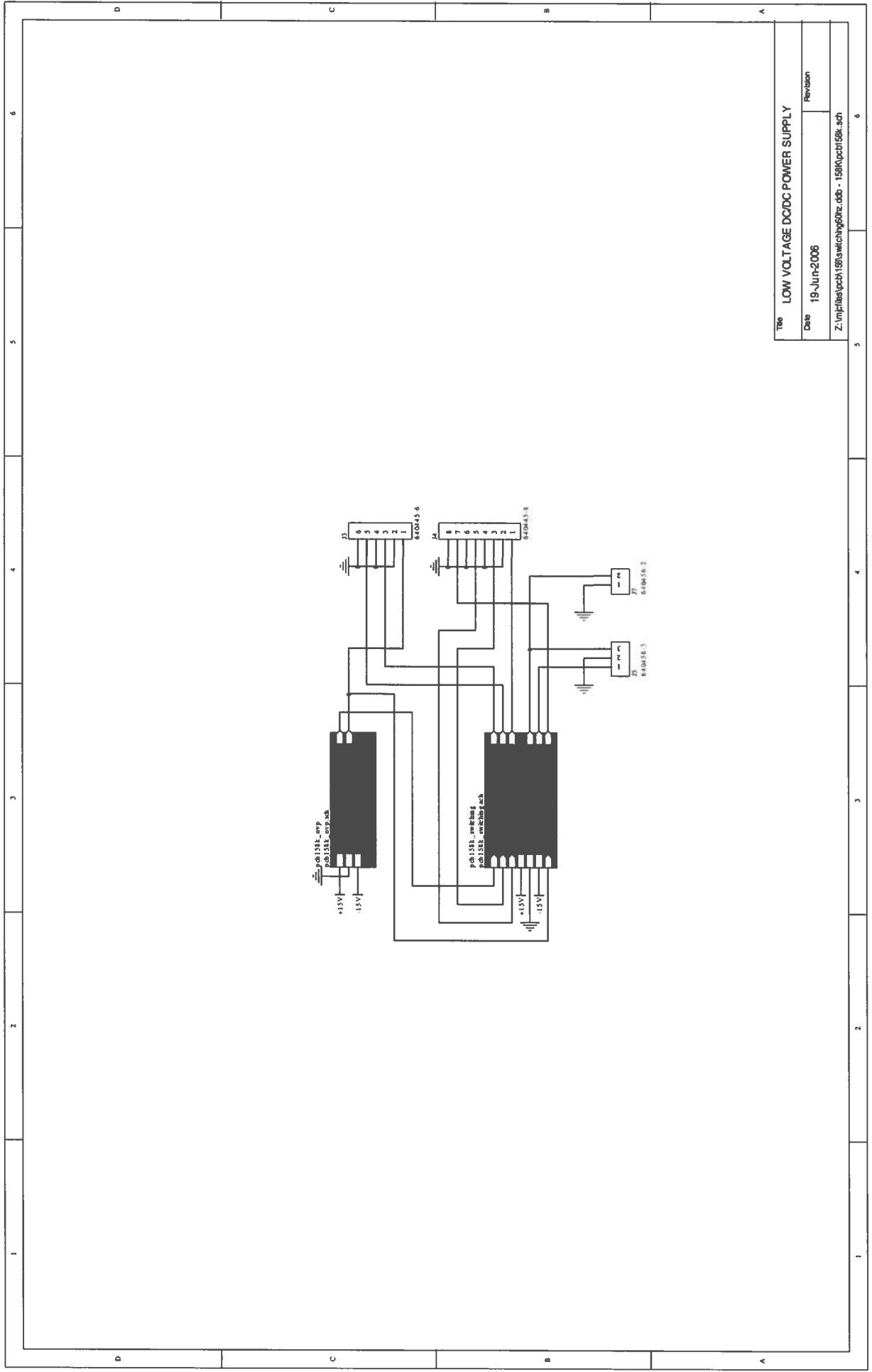


# WIRING DIAGRAMS

## WIRING OF AC POWER



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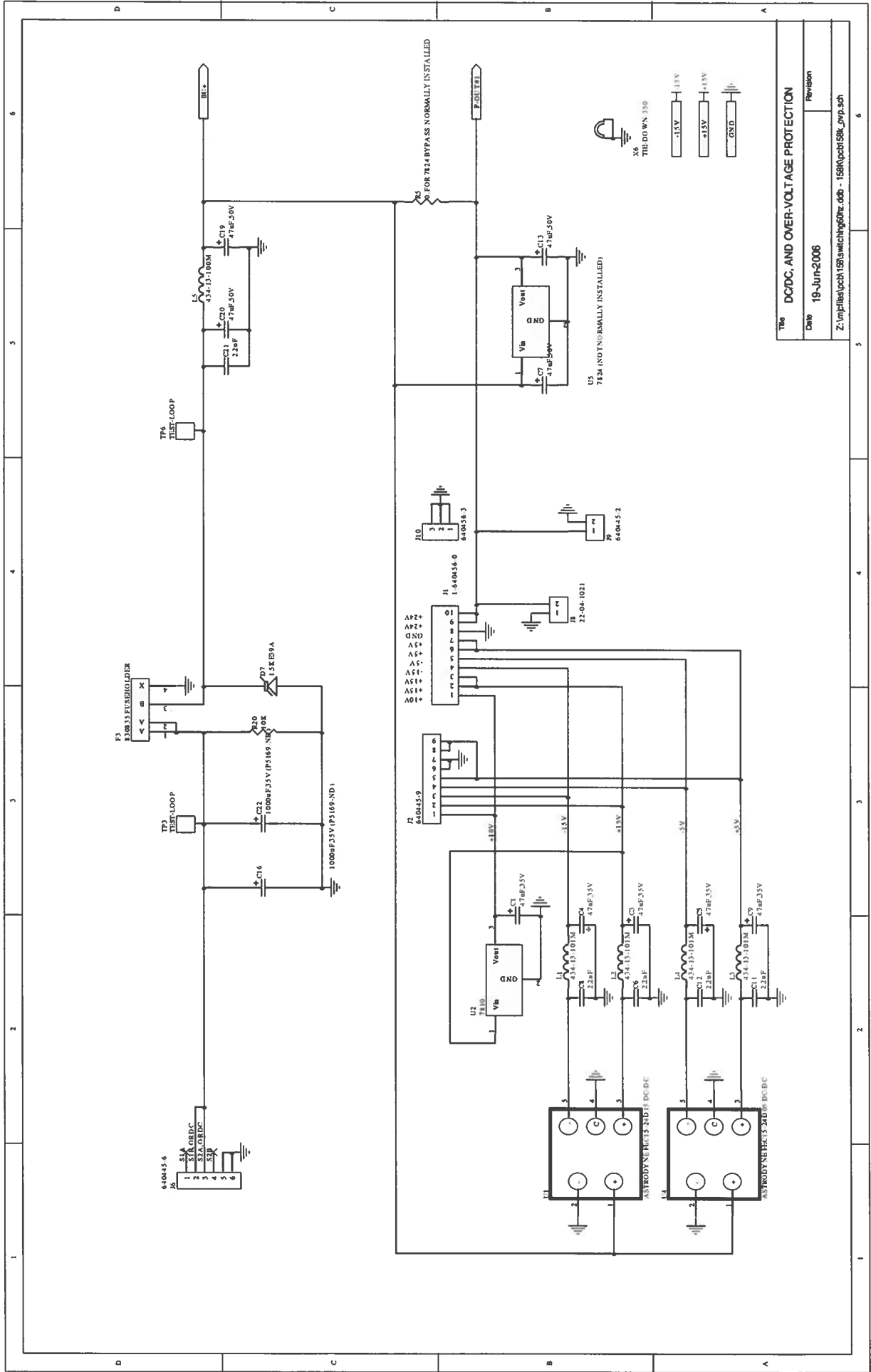
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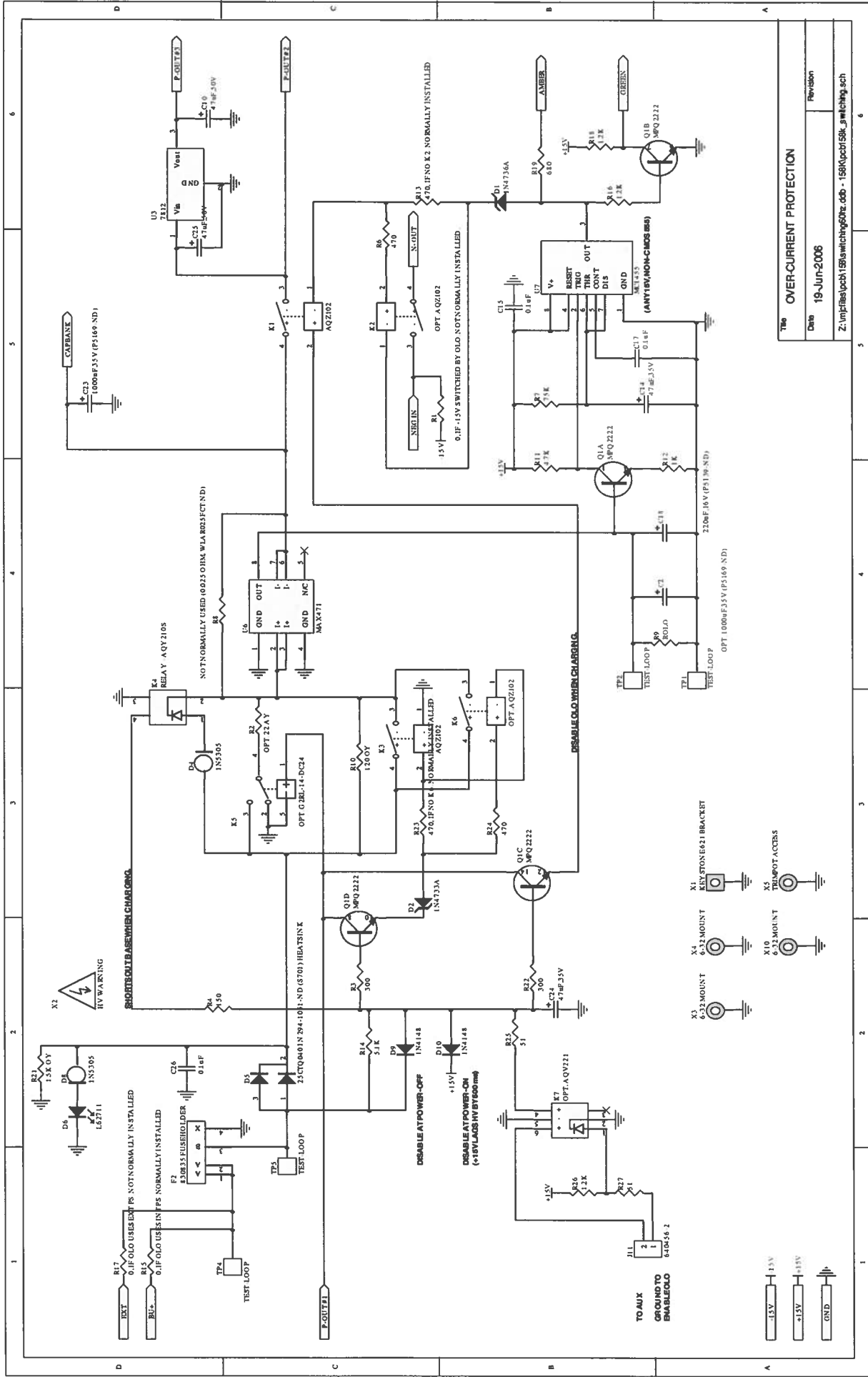
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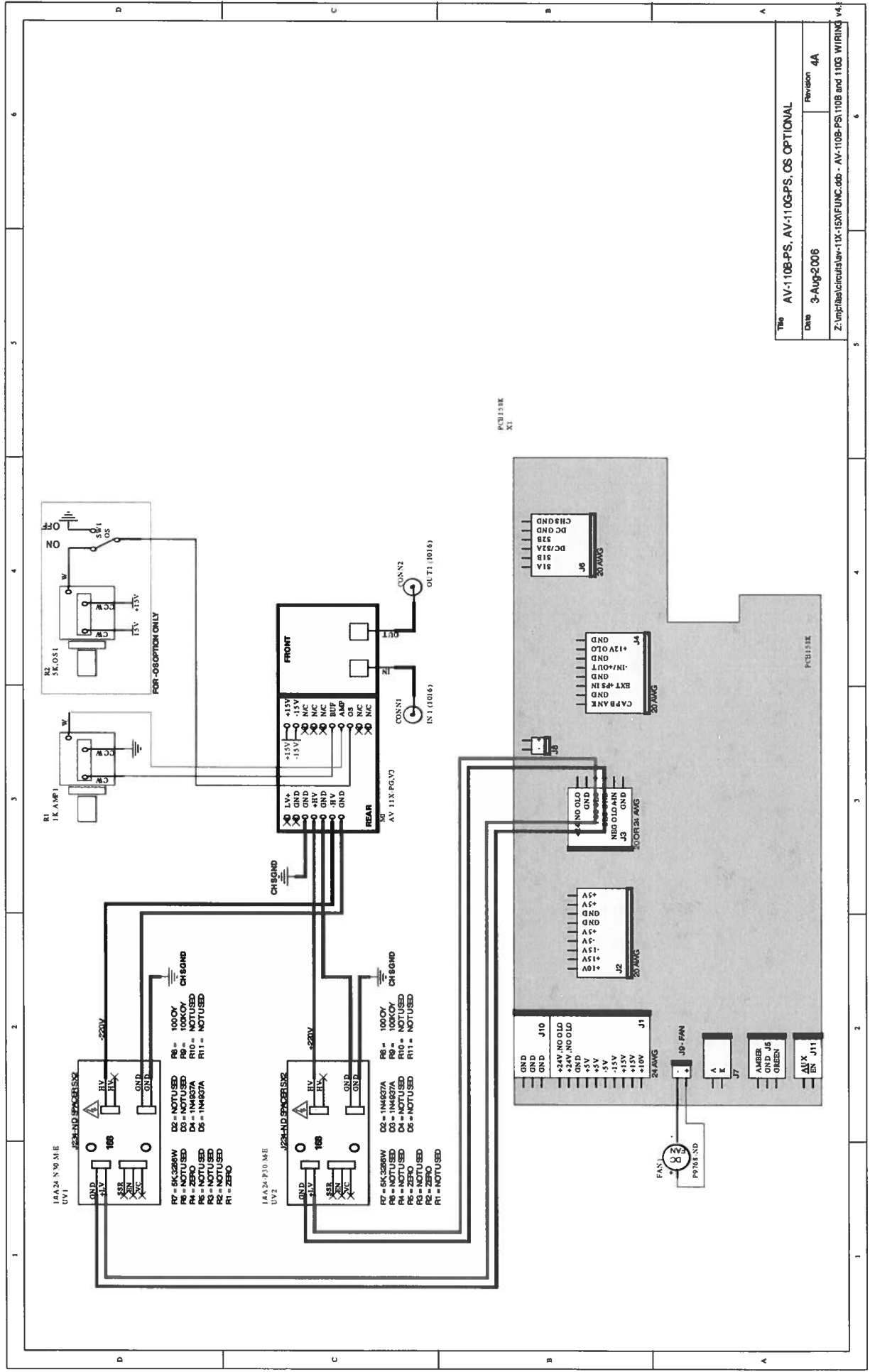
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# MAIN WIRING



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