

G2XXPN: OV PROTECTED GENERATOR CONTROLLER

VOLTAGE REGULATOR, REVERSE CURRENT, CURRENT LIMIT, PARALLEL (EQ) FOR TYPE A 24V, 25, 40 & 50 AMP DELCO-REMY GENERATOR SYSTEMS

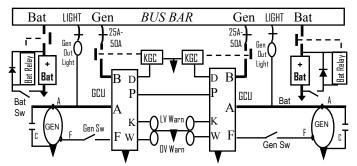
Features:

- Voltage Regulation, Electronics Field Switch
- Electronic Controlled Generator Build-up
- Current Limit, IC Sensed & Controlled
- Reverse Current Protection
- Paralleling (Equalizing, EQ or Load Sharing)
- Low-Over Voltage Sensor & Warning
- OV Protection.
- Trouble-Shooting Lights on Unit

Benefits:

- * Increase Regulator Life & Eliminate Regulator Noise
- Prevents Regulator cycling at low RPM
- * More Precise Current Limit
- * Prevents Battery Current Flowing to the Generator
- * Makes Generators Share Load, not over-working one
- * Lights warns the pilot of LV and OV condition
- * Protects system from Generator caused OV fault
- * Reduce Trouble-Shooting Time

Voltage Regulation: 28.4V \pm 0.4V. Max Field Current: 3A; OV: 32.0V \pm 0.8V



The Generator provides power used in charging the battery and running other electrical systems in the aircraft. The current flowing through the field of a Generator controls its output current. The Generator Control Units (GCU) have Voltage Regulation with Generator Build-up, Current Limiter, Reverse Current Protection, Paralleling (EQ, Load sharing), OV Protection and Low-Over Voltage Warning*.

The **Generator Build-up** function allows the rotating generator to build-up its output from a low residual voltage to the system's voltage regulation point.

The **Voltage Regulator (VR)** controls the Generator's field to keep the aircraft electrical system voltage at a specific level. This controller has a "Type A" regulator which excites the field of the generator by providing controlled ground to one side of the field (F), with the other side internally connected to the armature.

The Parallel or EQ function allows two generators used on twin engine aircraft to share electrical loads equally between them via the EO circuit.



Part No	Volt	Amp	Replaces Delco-Remy P/N
G225PN	28	25	1118799, 118976, 1119218
G240PN	28	40	1119237
G250PN	28	50	1119656

The Current Limiter (CL) controls the maximum output current the generator can produce. It turns off the field excitation when the output current exceeds the CL set point. It allows normal field excitation when the generator output is below the GCU CL set point.

The Reverse Current (RC) Protection circuit blocks the battery current from going back to the generator. It allows current to flow only from the generator to the battery and system.

OV Protection. If the generator field is internally or externally shorted to ground, to completely isolate the runaway generator from the bus and the GCU: the GCU will switch off the VR, open the current path between the field and ground and the path between the generator and bus. The GCU will not cause OV problem in the system and helps protect the system against OV faults.

*Low-Over Voltage Warning. See page 2/4.



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GENERATOR CONTROLLER: HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS

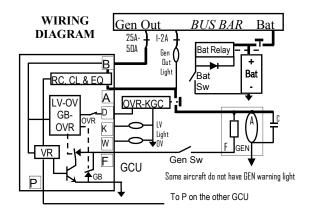
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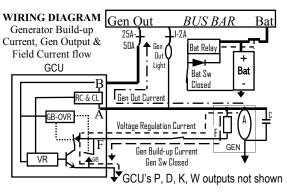
The **Generator Build-up** (or automatic field flashing) function allows the rotating generator to build-up its ouput from a low residual voltage to the voltage regulation point. Closing the Gen (Field) switch with a rotating generator will cause current to flow from its armature through the field to ground via the GCU. This current flow rapidly increases the generator output voltage from a few volts until the build-up cut off occurs and the voltage regulator takes over the control of the generator. To prevent generator cycling problems, at the build-up cut off point, the GB switch inside the GCU latches open until the Gen Field switch and Bat switches are reset

The **Voltage Regulator (VR)** controls the Generator's field to keep the aircraft electrical system voltage at a specific level. This controller has a "Type A" regulator which excites the field of the generator by controlling the grounding of one side of the field (F), while the other side is internally connected to the armature. The VR electronics switch turns the field current on/off so fast (several times a second) that the output voltage of the generator stays at the VR set point. As long as the generator's output voltage is less than the VR set point the switch is closed, current flows, and the generator's output increases. When the generator's output voltage exceeds the VR set point, the switch opens, current flow stops, and the generator's output decreases. The Current Limiter and Parallel functions affects voltage regulation.

The Current Limiter (CL) controls the maximum output current the generator can produce. It turns off the field excitation when the output current exceeds the CL set point (determined by the generator's current rating). It allows normal field excitation when the generator output is below the GCU CL set point.

The **Reverse Current (RC) Protection** circuit blocks the battery current from going back to the generator. It allows current to flow only from the generator to the battery and system.





The Equalizer (EQ) or Parallel circuit is an electronic circuit used on twin engine aircraft to share electrical loads equally between two generator systems. It monitors and compares the output current of the two generators and automatically adjusts the voltage regulator to cause the generators to share loads equally.

OV Protection. If the generator field is internally or externally shorted to ground, to completely isolate the a runaway generator from the bus and the GCU: the GCU will switch off the VR, open the current path between the field and ground and the path between the generator and bus. The GCU will not cause OV problems in the system and helps protect the system against OV faults.

The LV-OV Sensor and Warning functions alerts the pilot to low and over voltage conditions in the system.

The **Trouble-Shooting Lights on Unit** alerts the mechanic to voltage regulation, current limit, and generator build-up problems in the system.

Caution: Check the condition of the battery. A depleted / discharged battery will draw excessive current and could trigger the Current Limiter function to turn off the GCU's voltage regulator.

Connecting power to the GEN field to excite it will reverse its polarity. **DO NOT connect power to the field of the generator.** To correctly polarize a generator, follow the Field flashing procedure.



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GENERATOR CONTROLLER: TROUBLE-SHOOTING THE SYSTEM

CHECKING THE RESIDUAL VOLTAGE AND POLARITY OF THE GENERATOR

Connect a voltmeter between the generator's ARM and ground. At 1300 RPM, the generator's output or residual voltage should be positive (greater than +2.2V).

Residual Voltage V @

A negative voltage reading indicates a generator that has a reverse polarity. Do not connect the GCU to a generator with reversed polarity. Turn off the engine and Polarize the generator by flashing the field.

HOW TO FLASH THE GENERATOR'S FIELD:

- 1. With the engine off, disconnect the Generator Controller (GCU) / Regulator
- 2. Ground the Field wire removed from the GCU and turn on the GEN FLD switch

At the GCU: Touch the battery wire to the generator's armature wire 5 times for 3-5 seconds. Caution: Take safety precaution to prevent being hurt by electrical sparks generated by touching the two wires.

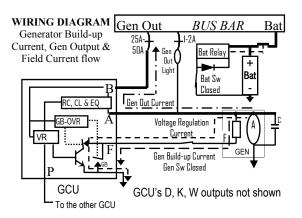
3. Connect a voltmeter between the generator's ARM and ground. At 1300 RPM, the generator output or residual voltage should be >+2.2V. ARM Voltage V @

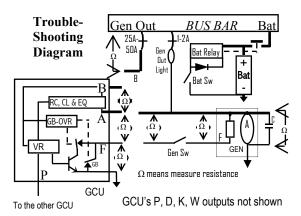
Refer to the Trouble-Shooting Diagram

- 1. Disconnect the GCU & EQ Relay from the system.
- 2. On the wires removed from the GCU & EQ relay, with the field switch open, measure the resistances at the points indicated by Ω . Record the values.

At the Generator Me	Typical Value	
ARM to GND	Ω	0.1Ω (Max)
FLD to ARM	Ω	$14-18\Omega$
FLD to GND	Ω	$14\text{-}18\Omega$
At the GCU Measure	ed	Typical Value
ARM to BAT	Ω	>250Ω
ARM to GND	Ω	>2KΩ
FLD to ARM	Ω	>2KΩ
FLD to GND	Ω	1Ω (Max)
BUS to B	Ω	0.1Ω (Max)

If all the measurements are as specified, connect the GCU to the system and retest the Generator Electrical Charging System (GECS).





No voltage regulation or Generator not Coming on-line With the Bat & Field switches on, engine off,

- Measure Battery voltage on the GCU BAT terminal, 0-2V on the FLD, and 0 volt on the ARM terminal.
- If the measured values are as specified, perform the resistance measurements called for on this page (TROUBLE-SHOOTING THE SYSTEM).
- If the generator is coming on line after 1400 RPM, remember that some Generator overhaul shops use armature windings with excessively high resistance. A high Armature resistance will cause the generator to come on-line at engine speeds above 1400 RPM. A 50A generator with ARM to GND resistance of 0.4Ω may not come on line until the generator's residual voltage overcomes that internal resistance at a higher speed. That is just Ohm's law.





Installation & Continued Airworthiness Maintenance Instructions GENERATOR CONTROLLER: TROUBLE-SHOOTING THE SYSTEM

CAUTION:

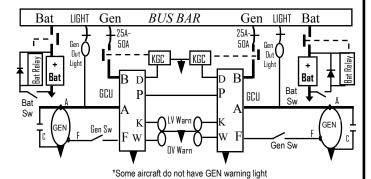
Grounding the field to see if the generator produces current is not a good indication that it is working properly. Doing so can lead to excessive system voltage, which may damage batteries, radios and GCU. This practice will not always identify a defective voltage regulator because it can and does often hide field or armature defects.

PRE-INSTALLATION TESTS. BEFORE INSTALLING THIS UNIT, PERFORM TESTS:

- 1. Read the documents that came with the unit.
- 2. Disconnect the current voltage regulator or GCU.
- 3. Charge Gell-cell batteries before installing the unit.
- 4. Turn on the Gen Field switch
- 5. Check the Generator Residual Voltage & Polarity:
- a. Connect a voltmeter between the Generator's ARM and ground.
- b. At 1200 RPM, the generator's output should be positive (>1.6V). If it is negative, the generator has a reverse polarity. Turn off the engine, and flash the field. Do NOT connect the GCU to the generator.
- 6 Measure and record the following resistances separately, at the generator & the wires to the GCU, list them below.

	A	At Generator	At GCU Wire	
a.	Gen Arm to Case-Ground	Ω	Ω	
b.	Gen Fld to Case-Ground	Ω	Ω	
C.	Gen Fld to ARM	Ω	Ω	
Ч	Rus-GCU BAT		0	

- 7. If the measured values are out of the specified ranges (listed on page 3), check the wiring, circuit breakers, switches, connection or generator.
- 8. If the measured values are as specified, install the unit and perform the post installation tests.



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BETTER AND HELP YOU BETTER UNDERSTAND ITS OPERATION.

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION & TESTS.

- 1. Mount the GCU in place of the removed regulator. Mount the KGC Relay and LV-OV lights.
- 2. Connect the KGC Relay to the Generator's ARM and the GCU's ARM terminal. Connect the KGC Relay's D to the GCU's D terminal. Properly ground the GCU & KGC Relay. Connect the LV & OV lights to the GCU's K and D terminals. Connect BAT, FLD and P terminals.
- 3. With the engine off, turn on the Bat & Gen Field switches; on the GCU measure & record the following voltage:

A. BATV 23 – 26V	es
B. D (OV Disconnect)V 0 - 0.2V	
C. K (Low Volt Light)V 23 – 26V	
D. W (OV Volt Light)V 0 – 0.2V	
E. FLDV 0 – 2.5V	
F. ARMVV	
G. P (EQ) >3.9-6.5V ⁺	

*Depending on the battery voltage, may be lower than 3.9V

4. If the measured values are as specified, connect the unit and perform the post installation tests.

POST-INSTALLATION CHECK AND TESTS

- 1. With the BAT and FLD switches on and engine off, on the GCU the GO (Gen Out*), VR (Voltage Regulator), and CL (Current Limit) lights should be on. If the CL light is OFF remove the GCU and check the generator for correct polarity and wiring.
- 2. With the BAT and FLD switches on and engine running, the generator should come on line at 1100 1400 RPM: the bus voltage should be 27.9 to 28.5V. At 1800 RPM the bus voltage should remain at 27.9V to 28.5V until about 5 Amps below the generator's current rating

*On units that have serial numbers starting with M or N, the GO light may be off until the bus voltage exceeds 24.2V-25.6V. On units with serial numbers starting with P, the GO light will come on only when the GEN voltage is less than bus voltage.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONTINUED AIRWORTHINESS MAINTENANCE This device is not field repairable or serviceable. For all service, repair or overhaul needs, return it to ZEFTRONICS or a ZEFTRONICS approved repair station. For all periodic inspection and test, use the prescribed pre & post installation procedure.

