Drawing Package Supplement
to
ASTEROIDS
Operation, Maintenance, and Service Manual

Contents of this Drawing Package

Game Wiring Diagram, Coin Door and Power Supply
Microprocessor
Video Generator
Switch Inputs, Coin Counter, LED and Audio Outputs

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The Regulator/Audio PCB has the dual function of regulating the +5 VDC logic power to the game PCB and amplifying the audio from the game PCB.

**Regulator Circuit**

The regulator consists of voltage regulator Q1, a source power transistor Q3 and Q3's bias transistor Q2. The regulator accurately regulates the logic power inputs to the game PCB by monitoring the voltage through high impedance inputs +SENSE and –SENSE. The input is directly from the +5 VDC and ground inputs to the PCB. Therefore, the regulator regulates the voltage on the game PCB. This eliminates a reduced voltage due to wire harness buildup on the wire harness between the regulator and the game PCB. Variable resistor R8 is adjusted for the +5 VDC reading on the game PCB. Once adjusted, the voltage at the input to the game PCB will remain constant at this voltage.

**Regulator Adjustment**

1. Connect a voltmeter between +5 V and GND test points of the game PCB.
2. Adjust variable resistor R8 on the regulator/audio PCB for +5 VDC reading on the voltmeter.
3. Connect a voltmeter between +5 V REG and GND of the regulator/audio PCB. Voltage reading shall be greater than +5.5 VDC. If greater, try cleaning edge connectors on both the game PCB and regulator/audio PCB.
4. If cleaning PCB edge connectors doesn't decrease voltage difference, connect minus lead of voltmeter to GND test point of regulator/audio PCB and plus lead to GND test point of game PCB. Note the voltage difference. Connect minus lead of voltmeter to +5 REG test point on regulator/audio PCB and plus lead to +5 VDC point on game PCB. From this you can see if harness circuit is dropping the voltage. Troubleshoot the appropriate harness wire or harness connectors.

**Audio Circuit**

The audio circuit contains two independent amplifiers. Each amplifier consists of a TDA1416 amplifier with a gain of ten. In Asteroids, the DISABLE input to the PCB is permanently grounded. Therefore, this audio circuit is always on, even when the game is in the attract mode.

The audio circuit is repeated on Sheet 2, Side B, and more information about its operation.
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The Regulator/Audio PCB has the dual functions of regulating the +5 VDC logic power to the game PCB and amplifying the audio from the game PCB.

Regulator Circuit

The regulator consists of voltage regulator Q1, current source power transistor Q3 and Q3's bias transistor Q2. The regulator accurately regulates the logic power input to the game PCB by monitoring the voltage through high impedance inputs +SENSE and -SENSE. The inputs are directly from the +5 VDC and ground inputs to the game PCB. Therefore, the regulator regulates the voltage on the game PCB. This eliminates a reduced voltage due to IR buildup on the wire harness between the regulator and the game PCB. Variable resistor R8 is adjusted for the +5 VDC on the game PCB. Once adjusted, the voltage at the input of the game PCB will remain constant at this voltage.

Regulator Adjustment

1. Connect a voltmeter between +5 V and GND test points of the game PCB.
2. Adjust variable resistor R8 on the Regulator/Audio PCB for +5 VDC reading on the voltmeter.
3. Connect a voltmeter between +5 V REG and GND on the Regulator/Audio PCB. Voltage reading shall not be greater than +5.5 VDC. If greater, try clearing edge connectors on both the game PCB and the Regulator/Audio PCB.
4. If clearing PCB edge connectors doesn't decrease voltage difference, connect minus lead of voltmeter to GND test point of Regulator/Audio PCB and plus lead to GND test point of game PCB. Note the voltage. Now connect minus lead of voltmeter to +5 REG test point on Regulator/Audio PCB and plus lead to +5 V test point on game PCB. From this you can see which harness circuit is dropping the voltage. Troubleshoot the appropriate harness wire or harness connector.

Audio Circuit

The audio circuit contains two independent audio amplifiers. Each amplifier consists of a TDA2002AV amplifier with a gain of ten. In Asteroids, the AUDIO DISABLE input to the PCB is permanently grounded. Therefore, this audio circuit is always on, even while the game is in the attract mode.

The audio circuit is repeated on Sheet 2, Side B, including more information about its operation.
Test points

Test points will not be present on the audio PCB.

At test point GND go to the GND on the PCB and not use the ground lead to the +5 V lead. Now decrease the input to the audio test point to the desired level. Then check the speaker for a nominal +5 V test voltage. Adjust the volume control to a level which is just high enough to listen to the speaker.

These test points will be present for the audio output of the TDA2002AV circuits, the audio outputs of the AUDIO PCB are not to be used.

CAUTION: Do not turn on the test point until the power is cut off while the test point is being used.

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