

Roll Resolvers

Waveguide Ferrite Modulator Control Devices

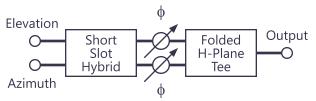
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Microwave Applications Group (MAG) has designed, produced, and delivered waveguide ferrite modulator control devices to compensate for motion while an aircraft is in flight and its radar system is in use. Commonly referred to as a "Roll Resolver," these units are in service currently on two well-known platforms.

The Roll Resolver functions by performing a rotation of coordinates from the reference set at the input of the network to a rotated set at the output of the network. This is accomplished using the circuit shown below. When one phase shifter is set to angle ϕ and the other to the angle $-\phi$, the output of the circuit (OUT) expressed in terms of the input at the elevation port (EL) and the input at the azimuth port (AZ) may be shown to be

$$OUT = EL \cos (\phi) - AZ \sin (\phi)$$

This is the true vertical signal from the monopulse antenna, which has undergone a roll of ϕ degrees. The true horizontal signal may be found by setting the phase shifters to command angles $\pm \phi \pm \pi/2$.



The phase shifters shown in the schematic diagram are realized using MAG designed and produced Rotary-Field phase shifters. This type of ferrite phase shifter has very good phase accuracy and exhibits low insertion loss and insertion loss mod-

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ulation. A matched set of phase shifters and the electronic circuitry required to control the phase shifters are assembled into an aluminum housing. The short slot hybrid and the folded H-plane tee are bolted to the housing to form a rugged assembly.

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