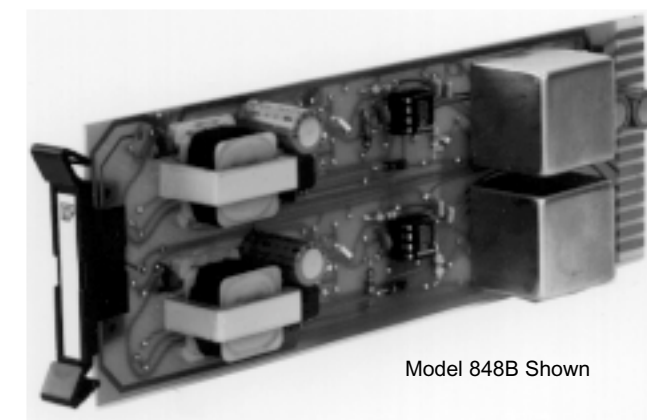


MODELS COVERED

838B	846B
839B	847B
840B*	848B*

*Microphone Preamp

INTEGRA III SYSTEM



Model 848B Shown

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The 800 Series Compressor/Preamplifier and Line Amplifiers are designed for use in professional audio applications. Each model has either one or two channels, designed to operate as a discrete microphone preamplifier or line amplifier. Dual channel cards will have two identical channels constructed on one printed circuit board.

Typical applications are public address systems, broadcast studios, sales presentation rooms, headphone listening systems, multi-room audio systems, and recording systems. The actual application of the amplifiers is found in buildings such as airports, factories, courthouses, casinos, convention centers, libraries, hotels, racetracks, training systems, corporate boardrooms, etc...

The 800 Series Compressor/Preamplifiers come in two different models. There is a single channel model, and a dual channel model. Both models have low impedance transformer isolated inputs. The gain of each model is adjustable, via trimpots mounted on the backplane assembly, from 17 to 56dB. The output section is available in either unbalanced direct, or balanced transformer isolated versions.

The 800 Series Compressor/Line Amplifiers offer 4 different models, 2 single channel versions, and 2 dual channel versions.

The input section of the line amplifiers is available in two different impedances. They are; bridging balanced-transformer isolated, and 600 Ohm balanced-transformer isolated. This allows the user to match the line amplifiers to a variety of professional audio equipment.

The trimpots used to adjust the gain levels and the threshold of compression, are mounted on the backplane assembly. This feature allows replacement of a card, without the need to readjust gains and thresholds. The compression ratio is 2.2:1. The output section of the line amplifiers is balanced transformer. On page 3 of this manual, you will find a table showing the model numbers, and features of each of the microphone preamplifier/compressors, and the line amplifier/compressors.

Each of these products is designed to provide the user with high quality audio, for years of uninterrupted service.

INSTALLATION

The 800 Series Compressor/Preamplifiers and Compressor/Line Amplifiers are designed to be mounted in the Model 857B Card Frame Package or the Model 858B Card Frame Package. The Model 857B Card Frame Package will accommodate up to 10 audio cards, and requires an external power supply, Model 66708.

The Model 858B Card Frame Package will accommodate up to 9 audio cards, and has a built-in, unpluggable power supply card.

Both card frame assemblies buss the DC power to the individual card slots, and provide screw-type barrier termination points for audio and DC connections.

After receiving an order for 800 audio cards, and prior to shipping the order, the factory has requested from you or your firm, a card file layout sketch. Using this drawing, the factory has mounted the necessary trimpots in the backplane assembly. This service allows the factory to test each card in the card frame assembly, and saves the installer time when assembling the complete audio system. Also, the installer can be confident that each card received has been tested in the actual slot used.

The actual steps necessary for installation of the 800 Series Microphone Compressor/Preamplifier and Compressor/Line Amplifier cards, are comparable to those necessary for any of the 800 series cards. They are as follows:

1- Mount the card frame in an appropriate EIA 19" width rack, using 4 screws of sufficient tensile strength to provide secure mounting.

2- A determination has been made as to which type of power supply will be used on your system. Follow the instructions for the type of power supply you will be installing.

EXTERNAL POWER SUPPLY. If an external power supply is to be used, terminate the proper supply connections to pins 1, 2, & 3 of the DC barrier connector, as shown in the card frame layout drawing. Turn on the power supply, and using a DC voltmeter, check for correct voltage and polarity at pins 1, 2, & 3 of the barrier connector.

INTERNAL POWER SUPPLY. If a plug-in power supply card is to be used, plug in the supply card, turn it on, and check for proper illumination of the positive and negative voltage LED's, on the front of the power supply card.

3- Terminate all audio input and output connections, using the card connection drawing on page 3. Double conductor shielded cable is recommended for all audio connections. Terminate each unused input with a 1K ohm resistor.

4- Unpack each individual card, inspect for shipping damage, and assuming none is found, slide the card half-way into the appropriate slot. After all cards have been installed half-way into the card frame, plug in one card at a time and turn on the power supply. Make sure no unusual loading is noticed at the power supply. If loading is noticed, turn off the power supply, unplug the card and recheck terminations. If no loading is noticed, continue inserting each card in the card frame, checking power supply loading as each card is plugged in. When all the cards have been plugged in, the installation is complete, and all that remains is the alignment.

ALIGNMENT

Each 800 Series card with microphone level inputs has been shipped from the factory aligned for 45dB of gain. Each Line Amplifier card has been shipped with the gain set for unity. The threshold of compression is set to -10dB on all compressor cards. This alignment optimizes headroom. If additional gain is required, the following alignment procedure is recommended;

- 1 - Turn all threshold trimpots fully clockwise.
- 2 - Apply a signal representative of the actual signal level to be used, to channel #1.
- 3 - While monitoring the output channel, turn the output gain trimpot clockwise until the output signal reaches the desired level.
- 4 - Increase the audio input 10dB. Turn the threshold trimpot counterclockwise until the output level is only 5dB above the original level (the level before the input was increased 10dB).
- 5 - Decrease the input level 10dB and check to make sure the output slowly returns to the original level.
- 6 - Repeat steps 1 thru 5 for each channel on your preamplifier or line amplifier.

This completes the installation and alignment of your 800 Series Compressor/Preamplifiers and Compressor/Line Amplifiers. The cards may be expected to deliver years of uninterrupted service.

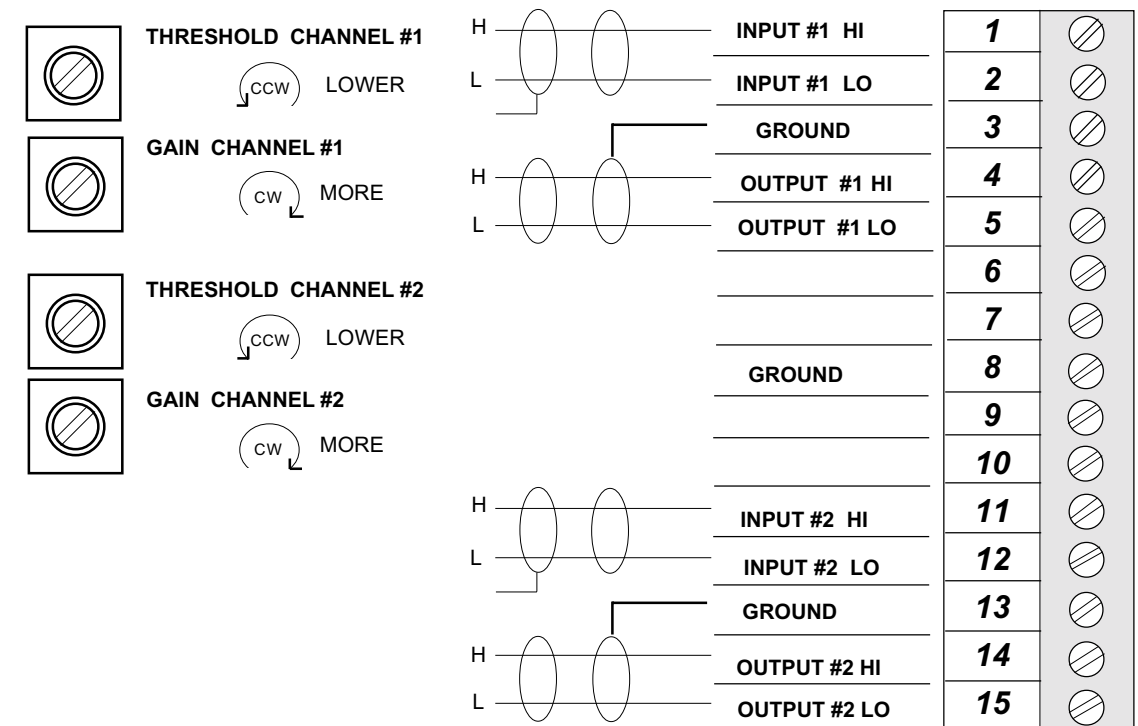
Note 1-

The alignment procedures for 800 Series cards, differ from card type to card type. Therefore it is necessary to consult the alignment procedure for each type of card being installed, to properly align a card frame using different card types.

Note 2- The levels mentioned in the alignment procedure are used for demonstration purpose only. Only the factory adjusted levels prior to shipment are actual. The installer may use whatever levels are necessary, as long as they are within the specified parameters on the type of card used, as defined in the product specifications.

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INTEGRA III SYSTEM
CONNECTOR & TRIMPOT DRAWING
MODELS 838B - 848B
USING 857B & 858B BACKPLANES



Model Number	Channels	600 Ohm Transformer Input	10K Ohm Transformer Input	150 Ohm Transformer Input	17-56dB Gain	-10 To 25dB Gain
838B	1	*				*
839B	1		*			*
840B	1			*	*	
846B	2	*				*
847B	2		*			*
848B	2			*	*	