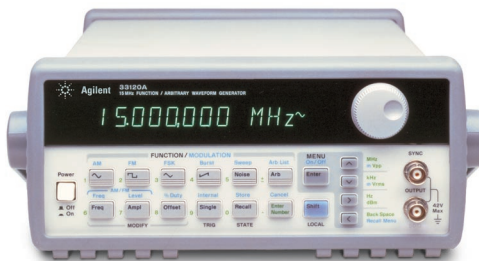
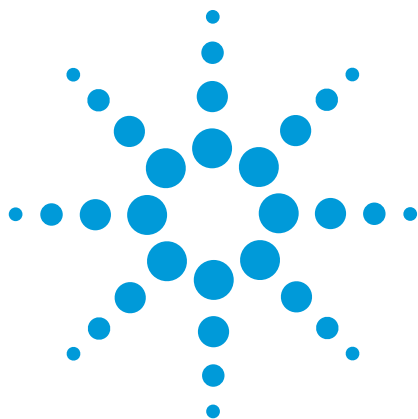


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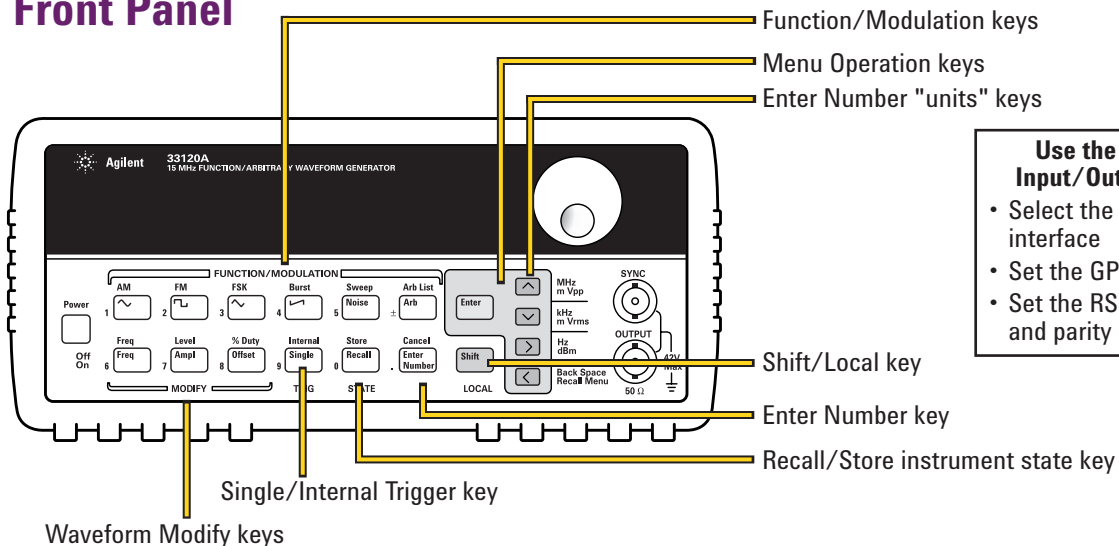


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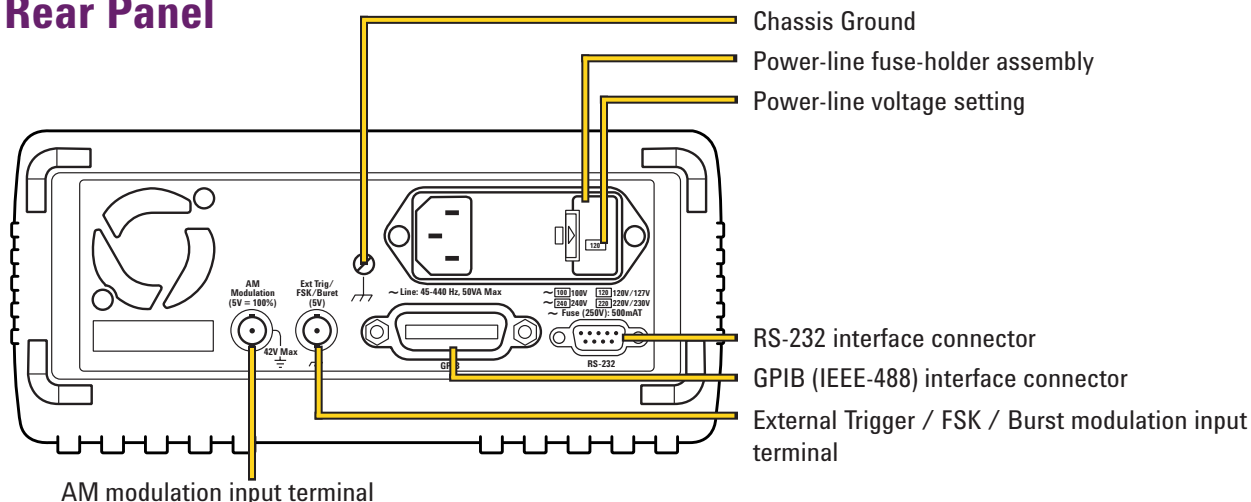
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## Overview

### Front Panel



### Rear Panel



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## Front Panel Number Entry

**You can enter numbers from the front panel using one of three methods.**

- Use the knob and the arrow keys to modify the displayed number.
- Use the arrow keys to edit individual digits.
- Use the "Enter Number" mode to enter a number with the appropriate units.

## The Front Panel at a glance

### A: MODulation Menu

1: AM SHAPE → 2: AM SOURCE → 3: FM SHAPE → 4: BURST CNT → 5: BURST RATE  
 6: BURST PHAS → 7: BURST SRC → 8: FSK FREQ → 9: FSK RATE → 10: FSK SRC

### B: SWP (Sweep) MENU

1: START F → 2: STOP F → 3: SWP TIME → 4: SWP MODE

### C: EDIT MENU\*

1: NEW ARB → [ 2: POINTS ] → [ 3: LINE EDIT ] → [ 4: POINT EDIT ] → [ 5: INVERT ]  
 [ 6: SAVE AS ] → 7: DELETE

\* The commands enclosed in square brackets ( [ ] ) are "hidden" until you make a selection from the NEW ARB command to initiate a new edit session.

### D: SYSTEM MENU

1: OUT TERM → 2: POWER ON → 3: ERROR → 4: TEST → 5: COMMA → 6: REVISION

### E: Input/Output MENU

1: HPIB ADDR → 2: INTERFACE → 3: BAUD RATE → 4: PARITY → 5: LANGUAGE

### F: CALibration MENU\*

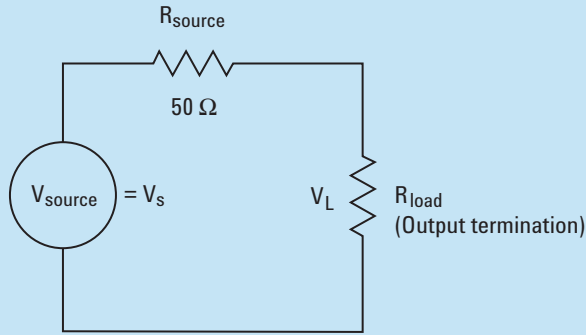
1: SECURED → [ 1: UNSECURED ] → [ 2: CALIBRATE ] → 3: CAL COUNT → 4: MESSAGE

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## The Front Panel at a glance *(continued)*

### Agilent 33120A Equivalent Output Circuit



$$V_L = V_s \left( \frac{R_{load}}{R_{source} + R_{load}} \right)$$

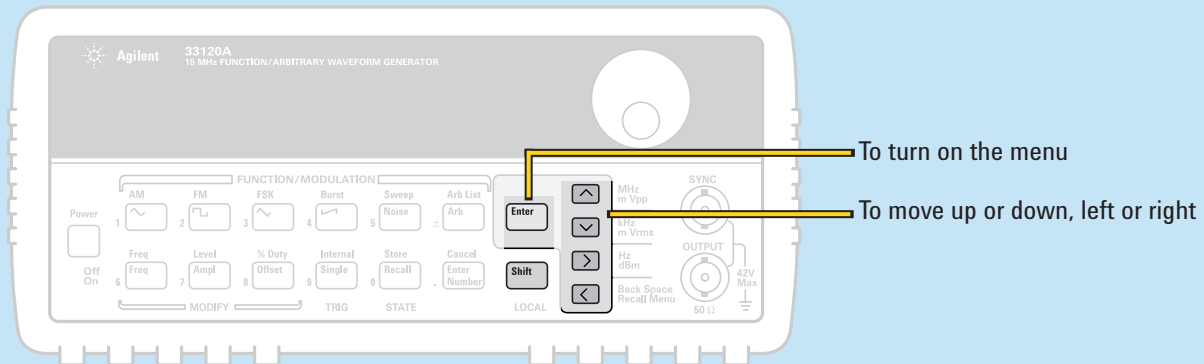
If  $R_{load} = 50\Omega$ , then  $V_L = \frac{1}{2}V_s$

If  $R_{load}$  is open circuit, then  $V_L = V_s$

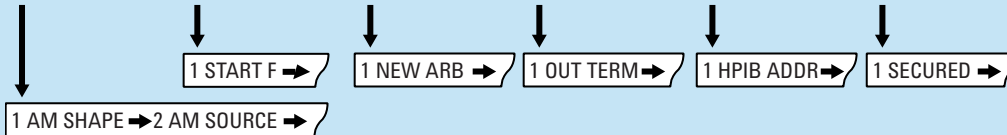
The output impedance ( $R_{source}$ ) for the 33120A is always 50 ohms. In the System Menu under 1:OUT TERM, you can select either 50 OHM or HIGH Z. Changing this menu setting from 50 OHM to HIGH Z does not change the 33120A's output impedance. It changes the reading on the 33120A's display to what the voltage will be when a high impedance load is connected to the generator's output. When the menu is set to 50 OHM, the 33120A display will read the correct voltage that will appear across a 50 ohm load connected to the generator's output. Note that if the menu is set to 50 OHM and the actual load is a high impedance, the voltage that appears across the high impedance load will be 2 times the voltage shown on the display.

## Front Panel Menu Reference

The menu is organized in a top-down tree structure with three levels.



**A: MOD MENU → B: SWP MENU → C: EDIT MENU → D: SYS MENU → E: 1/0 MENU → F: CAL MENU**



To enter command, press "Enter".

### A: MODulation Menu

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|----------------------|--|
| <b>1: AM SHAPE</b>   | Selects the shape of the AM modulating waveform.                     |
| <b>2: AM SOURCE</b>  | Enables or disables the internal AM modulating source.               |
| <b>3: FM SHAPE</b>   | Selects the shape of the FM modulating waveform.                     |
| <b>4: BURST CNT</b>  | Sets the number of cycles per burst (1 to 50,000 cycles).            |
| <b>5: BURST RATE</b> | Sets the burst rate in Hz for an internal burst source.              |
| <b>6: BURST PHAS</b> | Sets the starting phase angle of a burst (-360 to +360 degrees).     |
| <b>7: BURST SRC</b>  | Selects an internal or external gate source for burst modulation.    |
| <b>8: FSK FREQ</b>   | Sets the FSK "hop" frequency.  |
| <b>9: FSK RATE</b>   | Selects the internal FSK rate between the carrier and FSK frequency. |
| <b>10: FSK SRC</b>   | Selects an internal or external source for the FSK rate.             |

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## Front Panel Menu Reference *(continued)*

### B: SWP (Sweep) MENU

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|-------------|---|
| 1: START F  | Sets the start frequency in Hz for sweeping.      |
| 2: STOP F   | Sets the stop frequency in Hz for sweeping.       |
| 3: SWP TIME | Sets the repetition rate in seconds for sweeping. |
| 4: SWP MODE | Selects linear or logarithmic sweeping.           |

### C: EDIT MENU\*

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|---------------|---|
| 1: NEW ARB    | Initiates a new arb waveform or loads the selected arb waveform.        |
| 2: POINTS     | Sets the number of points in a new arb waveform (8 to 16,000 points).   |
| 3: LINE EDIT  | Performs a linear interpolation between two points in the arb waveform. |
| 4: POINT EDIT | Edits the individual points of the selected arb waveform.               |
| 5: INVERT     | Inverts the selected arb waveform by changing the sign of each point.   |
| 6: SAVE AS    | Saves the current arb waveform in non-volatile memory.                  |
| 7: DELETE     | Deletes the selected arb waveform from non-volatile memory.             |

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### D: SYStem MENU

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|-------------|--|
| 1: OUT TERM | Selects the output termination (50Ω or high impedance).              |
| 2: POWER ON | Enables or disables automatic recall of the power-down state.        |
| 3: ERROR    | Retrieves errors from the error queue (up to 20 errors).             |
| 4: TEST     | Performs a complete self-test.                                       |
| 5: COMMA    | Enables or disables a comma separator between digits on the display. |
| 6: REVISION | Displays the function generator’s firmware revision codes.           |

### E: Input/Output MENU

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|--------------|---|
| 1: HPIB ADDR | Sets the GPIB bus address (0 to 30).                  |
| 2: INTERFACE | Selects the GPIB or RS-232 interface.                 |
| 3: BAUD RATE | Selects the baud rate for RS-232 operation.           |
| 4: PARITY    | Selects even, odd, or no parity for RS-232 operation. |
| 5: LANGUAGE  | Verifies the interface language: SCPI.                |

### F: CALibration MENU\*

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|--------------|--|
| 1: SECURED   | The function generator is secured against calibration; enter code to unsecure. |
| 1: UNSECURED | The function generator is unsecured for calibration; enter code to secure.     |
| 2: CALIBRATE | Performs individual calibrations; must be UNSECURED.                           |
| 3: CAL COUNT | Reads the total number of times the function generator has been calibrated.    |
| 4: MESSAGE   | Reads the calibration string (up to 11 characters) entered from remote.        |

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