



Spyglass-Dual Product Manual

Spyglass Dual Analog AV

Spyglass Dual HD/SD-SDI Analog Audio

Spyglass Dual HD/SD-SDI Embedded audio

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Section 1. Spyglass-Dual Product Overview

The Spyglass Dual is a version of the Spyglass TV channel failure detector product line that includes two CFD channel failure detector modules. Each CFD module monitors the primary channel audio and video, and the back-up secondary channel audio and video. The Spyglass also includes audio and video bypass switching.

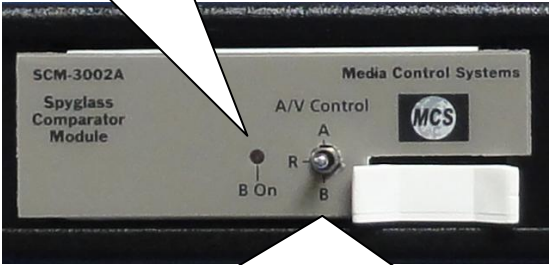
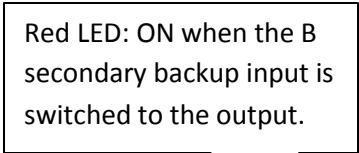
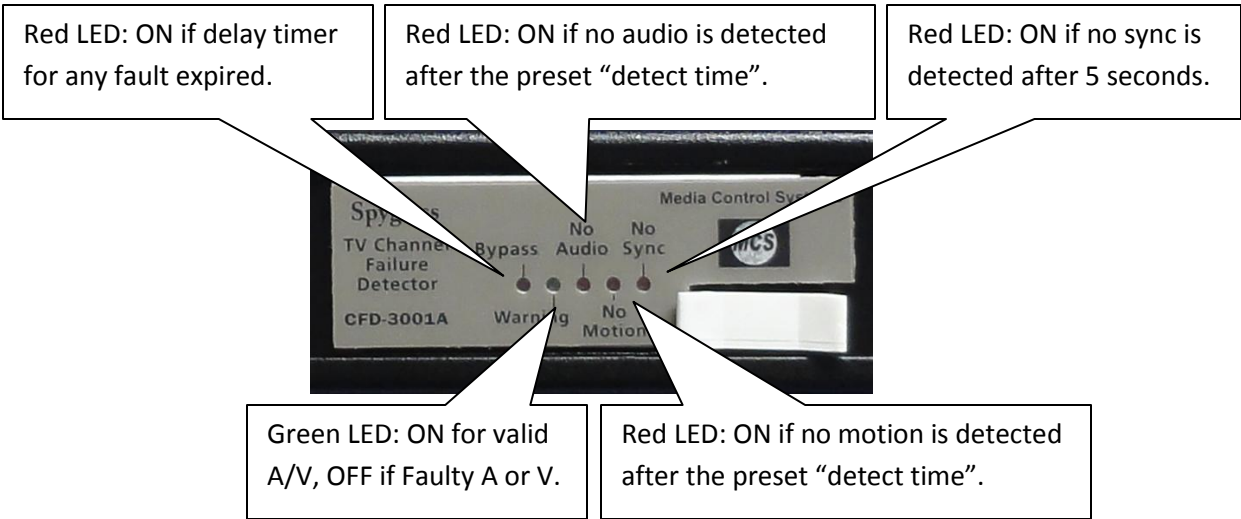
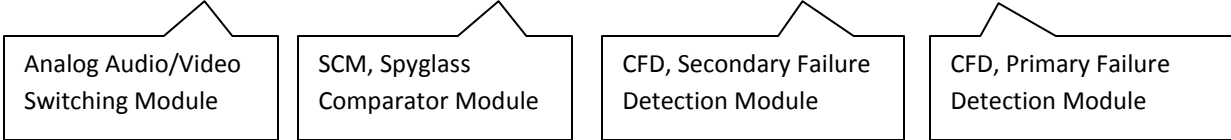
The Spyglass Dual is available in analog audio and video, HD/SD-SDI video with analog audio, and HD/SD-SDI with embedded audio. The Spyglass is available with discrete digital audio on a custom built base.

The Spyglass Dual includes a SCM, Spyglass Comparator Module that monitors the output status of each CFD module. The SCM provides switching control and includes an audio mixer that mixes balanced stereo to a mono signal to each of the CFD modules.

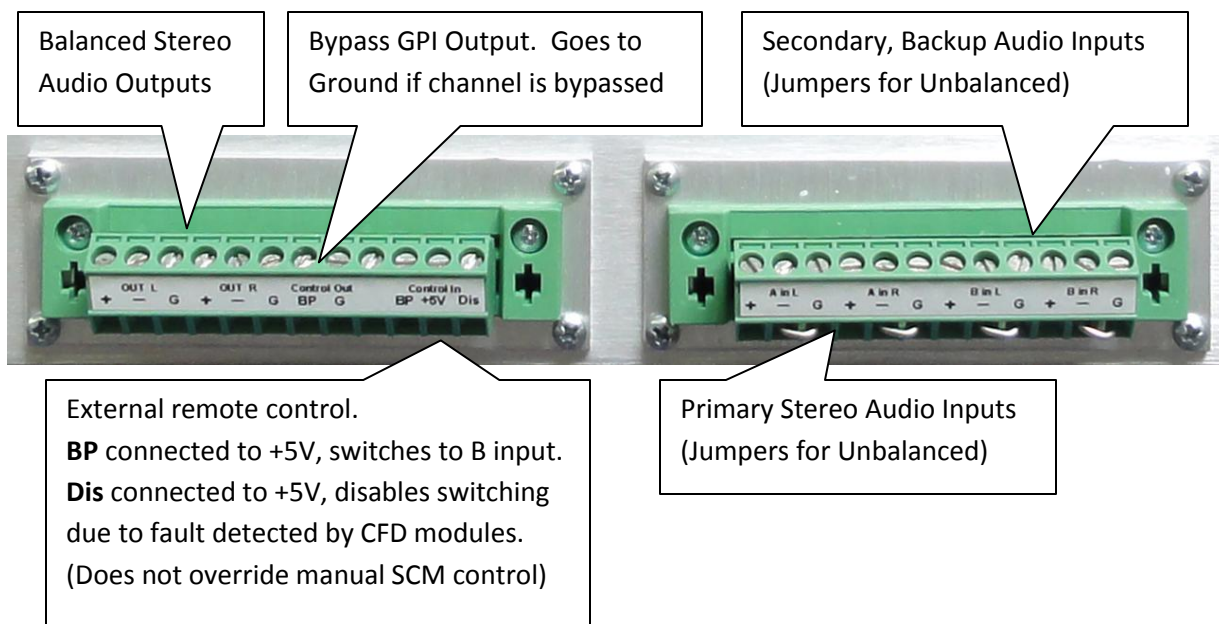
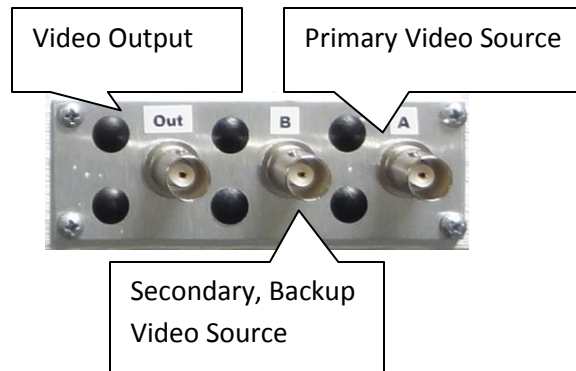
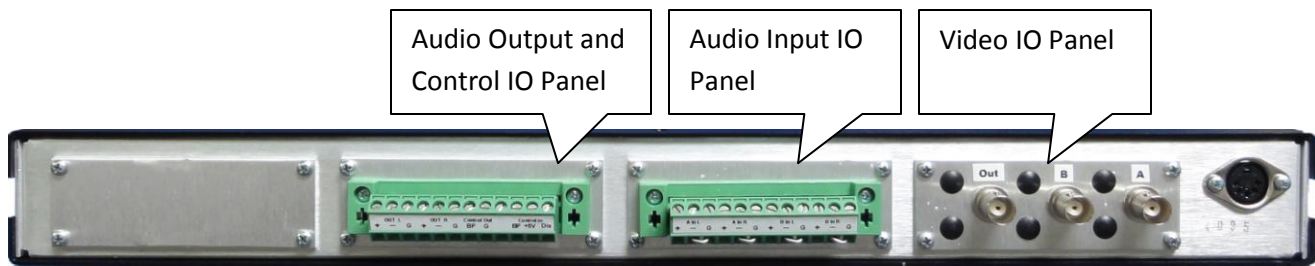
The SCM includes a front panel toggle switch that allows the operator to place the A/V switch in the A primary position, B secondary position or R remote controlled by the SCM. The SCM allows switching to the back-up channel only if the back-up channel has good audio and video.

The Spyglass Dual is used to monitor the outputs of two videosevers or other redundant feeds. Each Spyglass Dual monitors one output from each videosever. If the primary output fails the Spyglass switches the system output to the back-up source. If neither of the videosever outputs is scheduled to play video, the Spyglass keeps the video switch on the primary A input. This is important to prevent seeing the return switch from B to A when the server starts to play and is switched on air by the Broadcast stations routing switcher.

Section 2. Spyglass Controls, Indicators, and IO



Manual Switch Override: A keeps output to A primary input. B keeps output to B backup input. R allows the SCM to control the Bypass Switch based on the conditions of the CFDs.

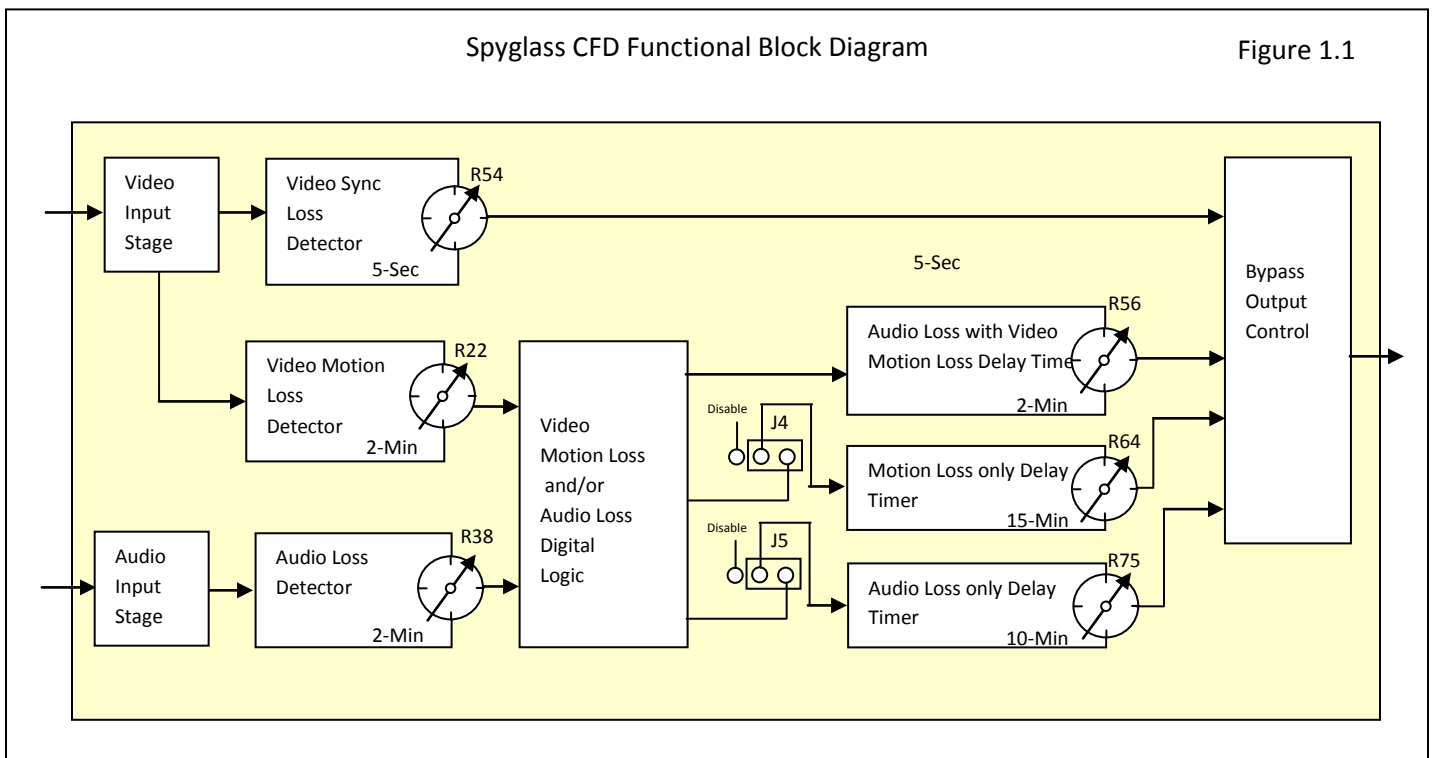


Section 3. Channel Failure Detector Module (CFD)

The Spyglass Detector Module (CFD-3001A) looks at three signal parameters, valid video signal presence, video motion, and audio signal presence. Each of these signal parameters is evaluated in different ways to determine the type of failure and what the response time should be before action is taken. Delay timers are employed to prevent false triggering on valid programming material.

A video input signal is considered valid if vertical sync pulses are detected. If the input signal is just noise or if the input video is very low or not present at all, a failure is detected after an evaluation time of 5-seconds.

A valid program may have a period of time when no audio or no video motion is intended. Thus delay timers are used to determine how long a period is allowable for no audio and/or no motion. The default time is set for 10-minutes for no audio only, and 15-minutes of no motion only. The operator can adjust the timers if longer or shorter delay times are desired. If there is no audio and at the same time there is no motion, the default time before action is taken is 2-minutes. No motion only detection or no audio only detection can be disabled and these parameters will be ignored. (See figure 1.1)



3.1 Failure Detection and Time Delay Parameters

Video Input Sync Detection

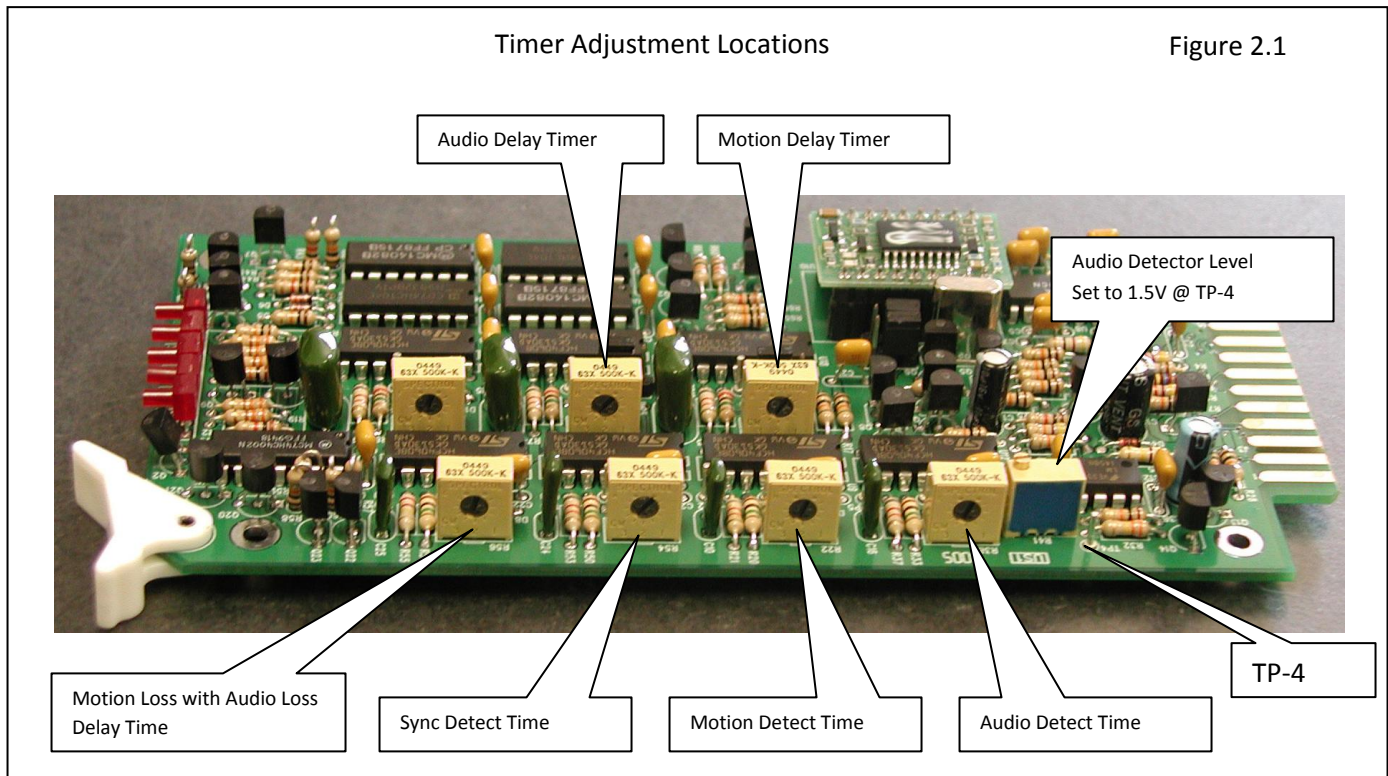
The CFD-3001A expects a 1V P-P Composite Video Input terminated at 75 ohms. Typically the video would be looped through the CFD's host frame and terminated at its final connection. If not a terminating resistor is required at the input connector of the frame.

The CFD checks the input signal for vertical sync pulses. If sync pulses are present and are above 200-millivolts in amplitude the detector is satisfied. Should the input drop below 200-millivolts or lower, the 5-second sync detector timer is started. After a 5-second time-out the bypass output is activated. Should the signal return before the 5-second time-out the timer is stopped and no output is activated.

If the input signal is noise (snow) from a tuner or satellite receiver, no vertical sync pulses will be detected and the sync detect timer will be engaged.

The CFD is very tolerant of poor video quality, if any vertical sync pulses are present, even though intermittent, the detector will remain satisfied and will not bypass the channel.

The Sync timer can be adjusted from 2-seconds to 10-seconds. (See Figures 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4)



3.2 Video Motion Detection

Incorporated in the CFD is a very sophisticated video motion detector processor. The processor analyzes each frame of video and compares it to other frames in its buffer. If it detects that content in the frames has changed from frame to frame it provides a motion detection output. Movements of small objects may not be detectable so time is required to search for movement in video.

The default detect time is set at 2-minute. It is common for normal video programming to have very little motion for more than a minute. As a result the CFD incorporates two additional video delay timer functions after the detector timer has expired.

The first second-stage timer function looks at both audio presence and video motion together. If no audio is detected after 2-minutes and no motion is detected after 2-minutes a secondary timer is started and runs for an additional 2-minutes. If audio or motion hasn't returned after this combined 4-minutes the bypass output is activated.

Another second-stage timer is activated if no motion is detected after 2-minute and the audio is ok. This timer is set for 15-minutes. This time is adjustable from approximately 3-minutes to 18-minutes. This timer stage can be disabled with a jumper if you do not want this secondary timer to be engaged.

The purpose of using motion detection is to detect a frozen frame from an MPEG-2 Decoder, frame synchronizer, and blue or black outputs from a failed or stopped media device.

(See Figures 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4)

Default Detection and Delay Time Settings

Figure 2.2

<u>Detection Time</u>	<u>Delay Before Alarm Output</u>
Sync Loss Detection Time: 5-Seconds	Delay Time: 0-Seconds
Audio Loss with Motion Loss: 2-Minute	Delay Time: 2-Minutes
Motion Loss Only: 2-Minute	Delay Time: 15-Minutes (disable option)
Audio Loss Only: 2-Minute	Delay Time: 10-Minutes (disable option)

All timers are adjustable but any changes should be made with the assistance of MCS factory personnel.

3.3 Audio Presence Detection

The CFD expects to receive an audio input of typical audio levels, .5V to 4V P-P. If the audio levels drop below 200-millivolts, a 2-minute detection timer is started. If the audio stays at a very low level for over 2-minutes, secondary delay timers are started. The audio sensitivity level can be adjusted. The default level is set high enough to stay out of the noise floor but low enough to pickup very quite audio scenes.

Similar to the motion detection feature, the audio detector engages two secondary timers upon its expiration. One is the audio loss with motion loss timer and the other is an audio only loss timer. The audio only loss delay timer is set for 10-minutes. If audio doesn't return after the 2-minute detect time plus the 10-minute delay time the bypass output is engaged. The audio loss only delay timer is adjustable from approximately 3-minutes to 18-minutes. (See Figures 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4)

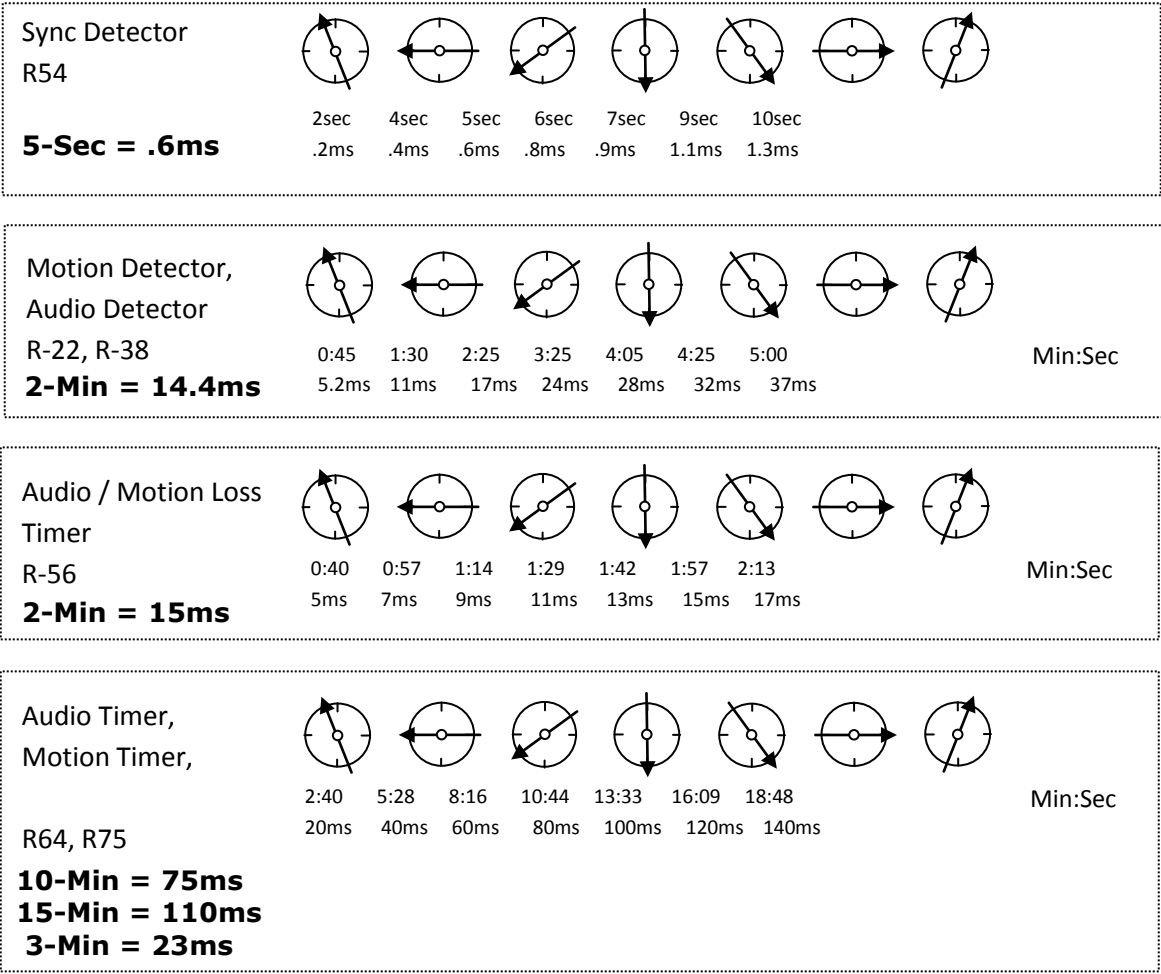
The audio only delay timer can be disabled with a jumper if this feature is not wanted.

3.4 Audio Loss with Video Motion Loss

The CFD has the capability of detecting in addition to blue or black screens, frozen picture outputs of digital MPEG decoders or frame synchronizers. Typically when these conditions occur there is no audio and a frozen picture. After the 2-minute detect time for the audio and motion detectors the secondary combined 2-minute A/V timer is started. When the 2-minute delay timer expires the bypass output is engaged. Both audio and video motion must return before the bypass output is disengaged. This prevents a premature return should a temporary glitch of video or audio noise glitch should occur under these bypass conditions.

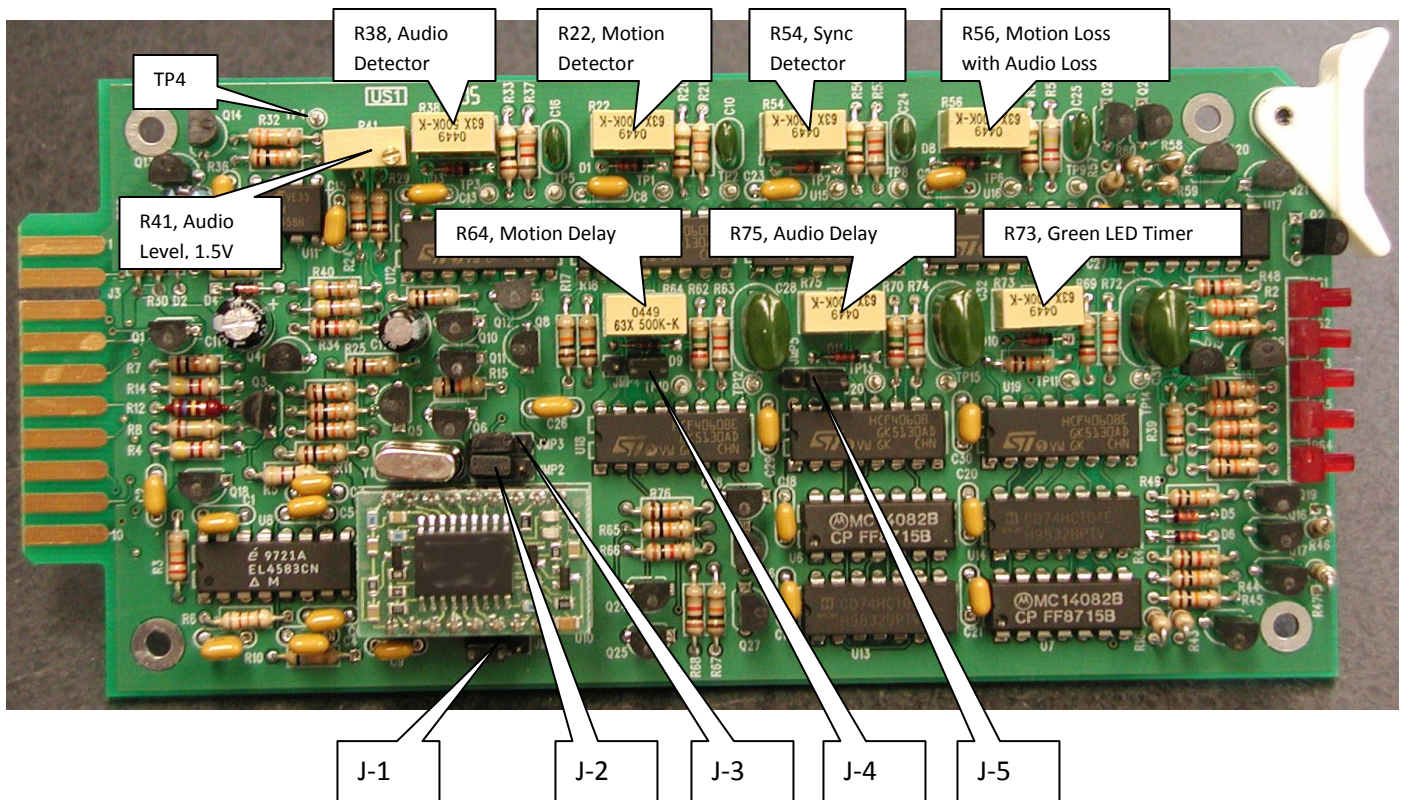
Approximate Timer Adjustment Settings

Figure 2.3



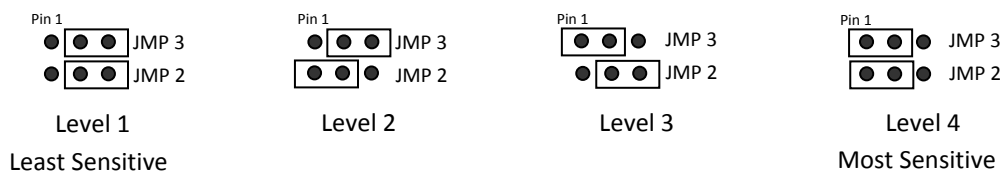
Jumper and Timer Locations

Figure 2.4



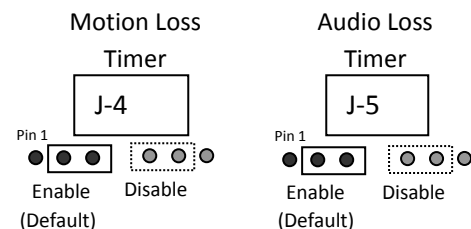
3.5 Motion Sensitivity Level Jumpers (*Factory Assistance Recommended*)

The sensitivity of the motion detector processor can be changed for special applications. **It is not recommended to change the setting under normal conditions.** The motion detectors ability to detect video motion has four sensitivity levels. The levels can be changed using Jumpers JMP1, JMP2 and JMP3. (See figure 2.4 for the location of the jumpers)

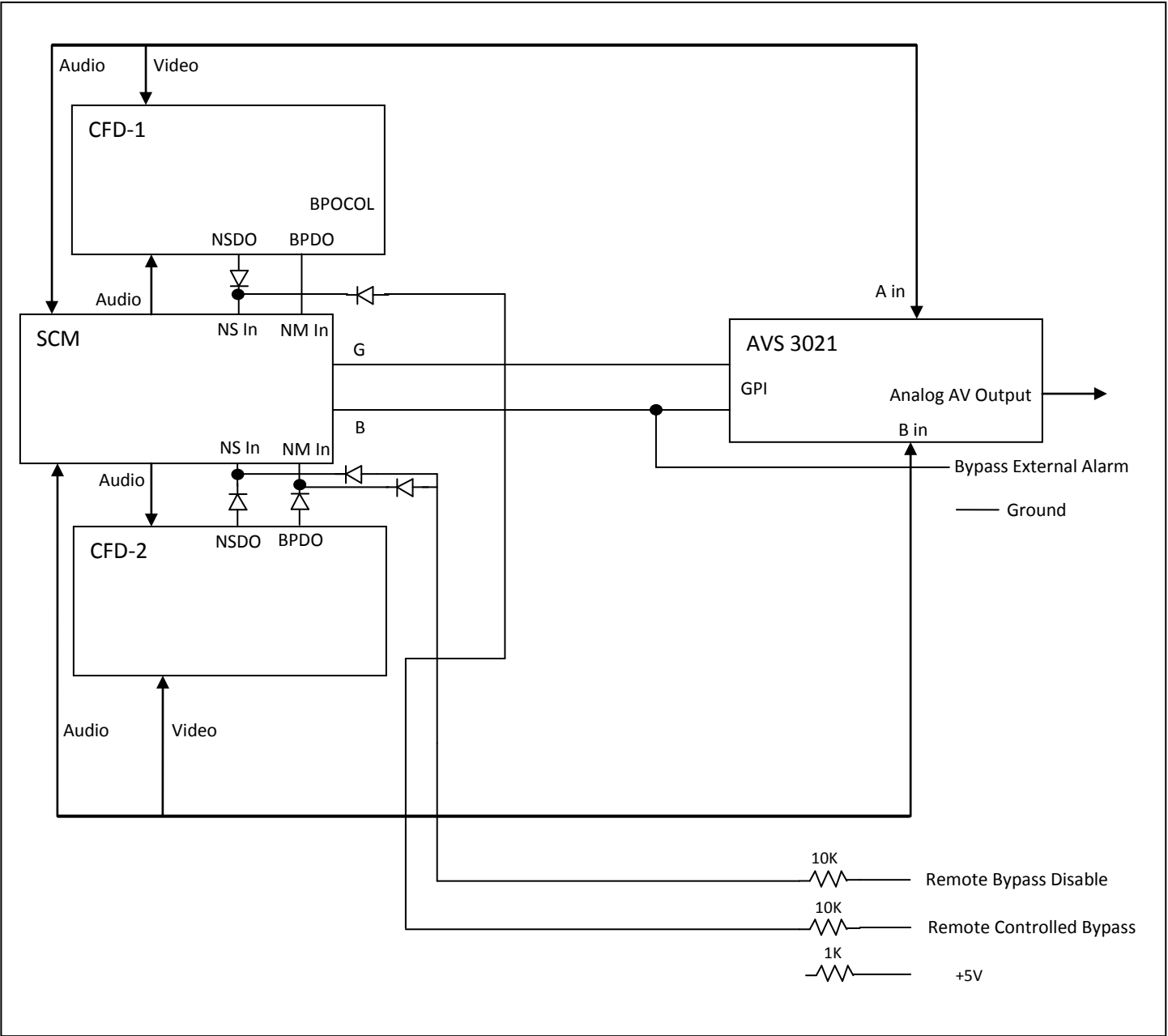


3.6 Motion Loss Only and Audio Loss Only Timer Disable Jumpers

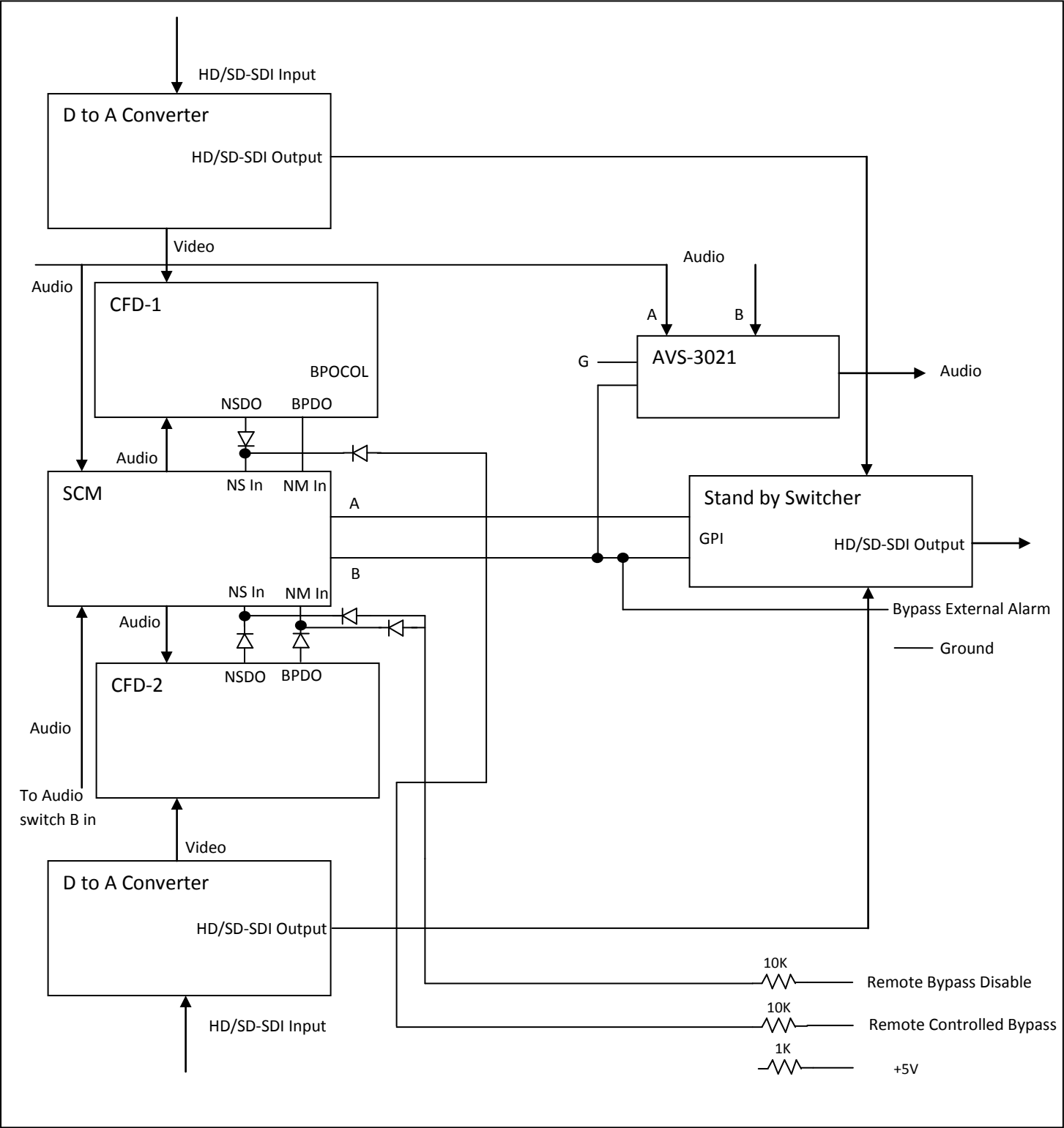
If there is a concern that the CFD will false trigger on valid programming, these jumpers allow an operator to disable the audio loss only and video loss only delay timers. (See Figure 3 for the location of jumpers)



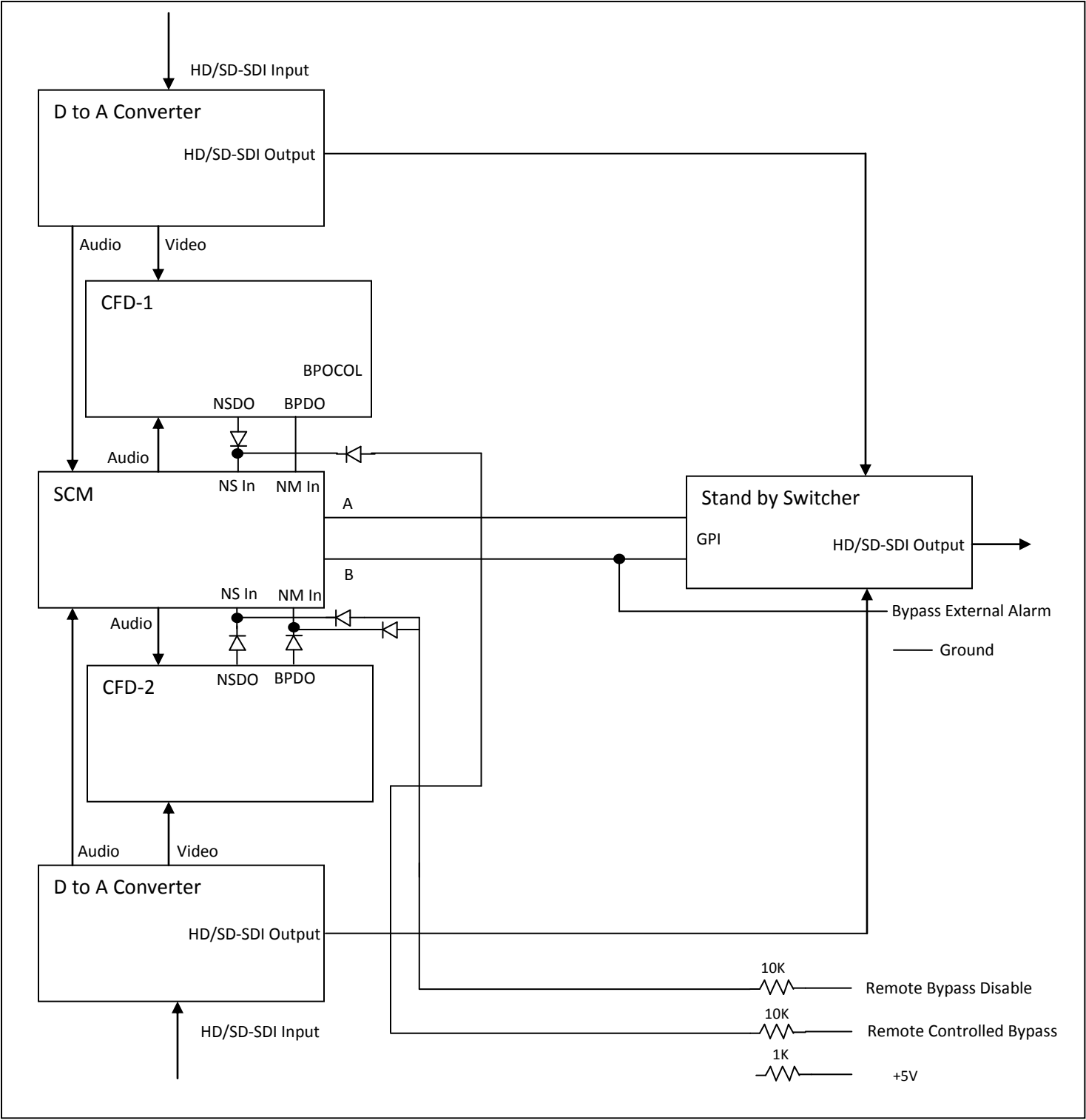
Spyglass-Dual Analog Audio and Video Block Diagram



Spyglass-Dual HD/SD-SDI with Analog Audio Block Diagram



Spyglass-Dual HD/SD-SDI with Embedded Audio Block Diagram



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