# Harman Kardon AVR80 Audio/Video Receiver



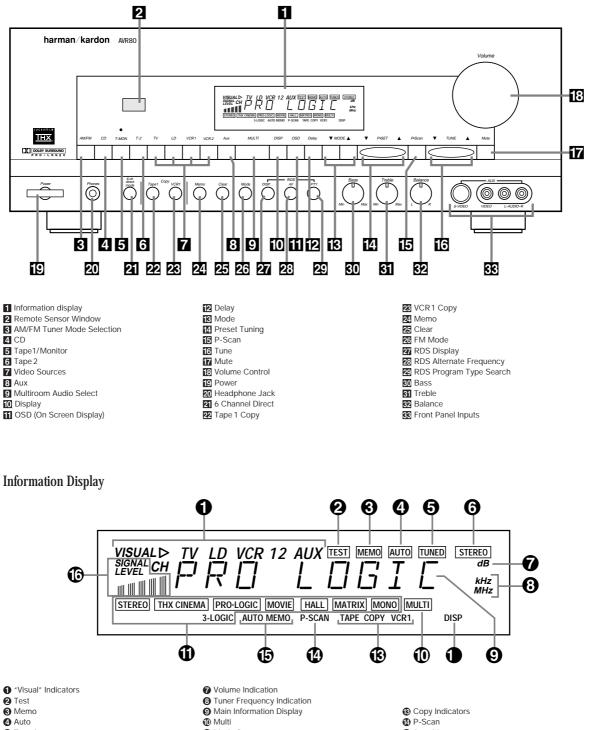
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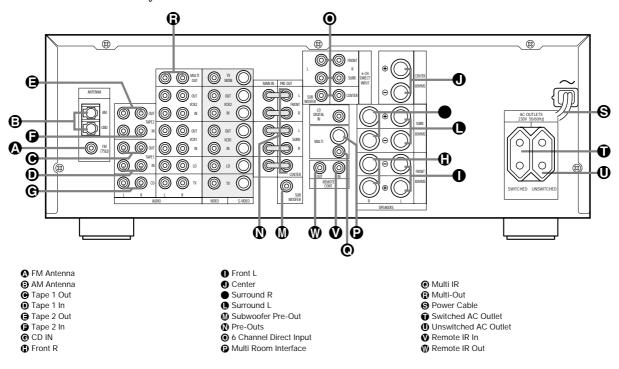
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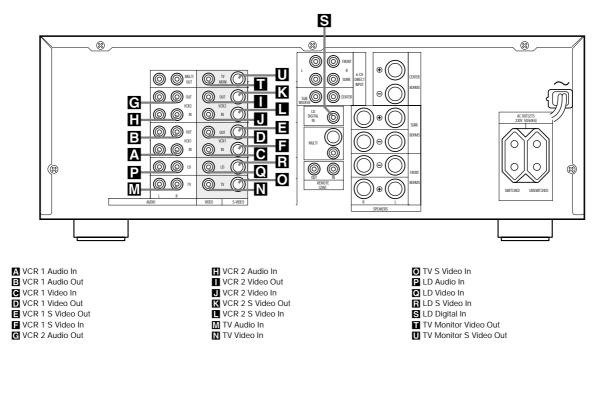
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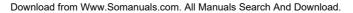
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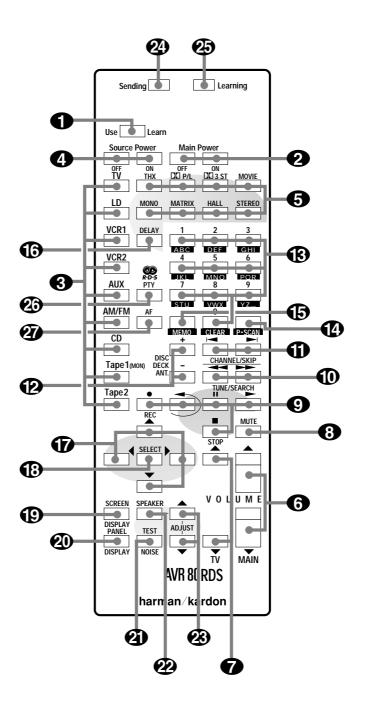
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## Introduction

**Congratulations!** With the purchase of a Harman Kardon AVR 80 you are about to begin many years of listening enjoyment. The AVR 80 has been custom designed to provide all the excitement and detail of movie soundtracks and every subtle nuance of musical selections. In addition, the AVR 80 has the flexibility to expand to serve as the heart of a multiroom audio system, and the capability for use with digital multichannel audio systems.

While complex digital systems are hard at work within the AVR 80 to make all of this happen, hook-up and operation are simple. Color keyed connections, a comprehensive remote control and on screen menus make the AVR80 easy to use. To obtain the maximum enjoyment from your new receiver we urge you to take a few minutes to read through this manual. This will ensure that connections to speakers, source playback units and other external devices are made properly. In addition, a few minutes spent learning the functions of the various controls will enable you to take advantage of all the power the AVR 80 is able to deliver.

If you have any questions about this product, its installation or operation, please contact your retailer or custom installer. They are your best local source of information.

#### **Description and Features**

The AVR80 is a full featured A/V receiver, incorporating a wide variety of listening options. In addition to standard Dolby<sup>®</sup> Pro Logic<sup>™</sup> processing, the AVR80 uses Twin Digital Signal Processors to provide Home THX<sup>®</sup> Cinema and five other surround modes. Future expansion capability enables upgrades to 5.1 digital audio systems such as AC-3<sup>™</sup> through the use of an optional external adapter.

A total of five audio/video inputs, each with both composite and "S" video, as well as three additional audio only inputs are selected through a learning remote control and an easy to read front panel display or on screen graphics through a TV monitor. Dubbing and tape outputs are available, and multiroom operation is available with independent source and volume selection. The AVR 80's powerful amplifier uses traditional Harman Kardon High Current design philosophies to meet the wide dynamic range of any program selection. For the audio purist, the AVR 80 may be connected directly to the digital output of an LD player, avoiding excessive D/A conversion steps.

Harman Kardon invented the high fidelity receiver over forty years ago. With state of the art circuitry and time honored circuit designs, the AVR80 is undoubtedly the finest receiver ever offered by Harman Kardon.

- Twin DSP processors for precise surround decoding.
- Dolby ProLogic, Home THX Cinema, Dolby 3 Stereo and four other surround modes
- On screen menu displays
- Learning remote control
- Composite and "S" video switching
- RDS Programme Information
- Complete Multiroom control with optional wall mounted keypads
- Direct Digital Input from LD
- Preamp output/Amplifier input of ALL channels permits ease of expansion
- Six Channel Direct inputs for use with discrete digital audio adapters

### Safety Information 2

#### **Important Safety Information**

### Verify Line Voltage Before Use

Your AVR80 has been designed for use with 220-240 volt AC current. Connection to a line voltage other than that for which it is intended can create a safety and fire hazard, and may damage the unit.

If you have any questions about the voltage requirements for your specific model, or about the line voltage in your area, contact your selling dealer before plugging the unit into a wall outlet.

### **Do Not Use Extension Cords**

To avoid safety hazards, use only the power cord attached to your unit. We do not recommend that extension cords be used with this product. As with all electrical devices, do not run power cords under rugs or carpets or place heavy objects on them.

### Handle the AC Power Cord Gently

When disconnecting the power cord from an AC outlet, always pull the plug, never pull the cord. If you do not intend to use the unit for any considerable length of time, disconnect the plug from the AC outlet.

#### **Do Not Open The Cabinet**

There are no user serviceable components inside this product. Opening the cabinet may present a shock hazard, and any modification to the product will void your guarantee. If water or any metal object such as a paper clip, wire or a staple accidentally falls inside the unit, disconnect it from the AC power source immediately, and consult an authorized service station.

### **Installation Location**

- To assure proper operation, and to avoid the potential for safety hazards, place the unit on a firm and level surface. When placing the unit on a shelf, be certain that the shelf and any mounting hardware can support the weight of the product.
- Make certain that proper space is provided both above and below the unit for ventilation. If this product will be installed in a cabinet or other enclosed area. make certain that there is sufficient air movement within the cabinet. Under some circumstances a fan may be required.
- Do not place the unit directly on a carpeted surface.
- Avoid installation in extremely hot or cold locations, or an area that is exposed to direct sunlight or heating equipment.
- Avoid moist or humid locations.
- Do not obstruct the ventilation slots on the top of the unit, or place objects directly over them.

### Cleaning

When the unit gets dirty, wipe it with a clean, soft dry cloth. If necessary, wipe it with a soft cloth dampened with mild soapy water, then a fresh cloth with clean water. Wipe dry immediately with a dry cloth. NEVER use benzene, aerosol cleaners, thinner, alcohol or any other volatile cleaning agent. Do not use abrasive cleaners, as they may damage the finish of metal parts. Avoid spraying insecticide near the unit.

### **Moving The Unit**

Before moving the unit, be certain to disconnect any interconnection cords with other components, and make certain that you disconnect the unit from the AC outlet.



The exclamation point within an equilateral triangle is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the appliance.

WARNING: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR ELECTRIC SHOCK, DO NOT EXPOSE THIS APPLIANCE TO RAIN OR MOISTURE.

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### **Unpacking and Installation**

The carton and shipping materials used to protect your new receiver during shipment were specially designed to cushion it from shock and vibration. We suggest that you save the carton and packing materials for use in shipping if you move or should the unit ever need repair.

To minimize the size of the carton in storage, you may wish to flatten it. This is done by carefully slitting the tape seams on the bottom and collapsing the carton down to a more two dimensional appearance. Other cardboard inserts may be stored in the same manner. Packing materials that cannot be collapsed should be saved along with the carton in a plastic bag.

If you do not wish to save the packaging materials, please note that the carton and other sections of the shipping protection are recyclable. Please respect the environment and discard those materials at a local recycling center.

### Important Fuse and Plug Information

This apparatus is fitted with an approved moulded 13 Amp plug. To change a fuse in this type of plug proceed as follows:

1. Remove fuse cover and fuse.

2. Fix new fuse which should be a BS1362 5A A.S.T.A. or BSI approved type.

3. Refit the fuse cover.

If the fitted plug is not suitable for your socket outlets, it should be cut off and an appropriate plug fitted in its place. If the mains plug contains a fuse, this should have a value of 5A.

If a plug without a fuse is used, the fuse at the distribution board should not be greater than 5A.

**NOTE:** The severed plug must be destroyed to avoid a possible shock hazard should it be inserted into a 13A socket elsewhere.

#### How to Connect a Plug

The wires in the mains lead are coloured in accordance with the following code:

BLUE - "NEUTRAL" ("N")

BROWN - "LIVE" ("L")

1. The BLUE wire must be connected to the terminal which is marked with the letter "N" or coloured BLACK.

2. The BROWN wire must be connected to the terminal which is marked with the letter "L" or coloured RED.

3. Do not connect either wires to the earth terminal in the plug which is marked my the letter "E" or by the safety earth symbol  $\stackrel{\perp}{=}$  or coloured green or green-and-yellow.

Before replacing the plug cover, make certain that the cord grip is clamped over the sheath of the lead – not simply over the two wires.



### Conventions

In order to help you use this manual with the remote control, front panel controls, rear panel connections and on-screen menus, certain conventions have been used.

**EXAMPLE** – (bold type) indicates a specific remote control or front panel button, or rear panel connection jack

E X AMPLE - (OCR type) indicates a message that is visible through the on-screen menu system

1 – (number in a square) indicates a specific front panel control

 – (number in a circle) indicates an indicator in the main front panel display

– (number in an oval) indicates a button or indicator on the remote

 (letter in a circle) indicates a rear panel Audio or System connection

▲ – (letter in a square) indicates a specific rear panel video connection

**1** Information display: This display delivers messages and status indications to help you operate the receiver. Refer to the separate diagram for a complete explanation of the FL display.

**2** Remote Sensor Window: The sensor behind this window receives infrared signals from the remote control. Aim the remote at this area and do not block or cover it unless an external remote sensor is installed.

**3** AM/FM Tuner Mode Selection: Press this button once to select the tuner. Press it again to switch between FM, MW and LW.

**4 CD**: Press this button to select the CD player.

**5** Tape1/Monitor: Press this button to select Tape One as the input source. A red LED above the button will illuminate to indicate that the Tape Monitor has been selected.

**6** Tape 2: Press this button to select Tape 2.

**Video Sources:** Press any of these buttons to select a video input source.

3 Aux: Press this button to select the source connected to the front panel Aux jacks.

 Multiroom Audio Select: Press this button to turn on the feed to the remote zone. The remote zone will stay on after the main power switch is turned off until it is switched off by the remote room control or by pressing this button again.

**Display:** Press this button to turn off the front panel FL display. The **DISP** indicator will illuminate to remind you that the unit is still turned on.

**11** OSD (On Screen Display): Press the button briefly to display a system status report on your video screen. Press and hold the button to change the video standard.

Delay: Press this button to increase the delay to the rear (surround) channels.

## Front Panel Controls

**[3] Mode:** Press these buttons to scroll up  $\blacktriangle$  or down  $\blacktriangledown$  through the list of available surround modes.

**[2] P-Set:** Press these buttons to manually scroll up  $\blacktriangle$  or down  $\blacktriangledown$  through the stations programmed into the receiver's preset memory.

**[]** P-Scan: Press this button to automatically scan through the FM or AM stations preset into the receiver's memory. Press the button again to stop the scan when the tuner is at the desired station.

**[G Tune:** Press these buttons to manually or automatically scan up ▲ or down ▼ through the FM, LW or AM bands.

**Mute:** Press this button to cut the output to the speakers. Press it again to return to the previous volume level.

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**Power:** Press this button to turn the unit on or off.

NOTE: When the Power Switch is in the "OFF" position, the unit is in a "Standby" condition and is NOT disconnected from the AC mains supply.

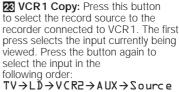
**20** Headphone Jack: Plug standard stereo headphones into this jack for private listening.

NOTE: When the headphones are in use the output to the speakers is muted and the surround mode is automatically switched to STEREO. When the headphones are removed from the jack, sound to the speakers is restored and the unit returns to the previous sound mode.

**21** 6 Channel Direct: Press this button to select the output of an external multichannel audio adapter.

**22** Tape 1 Copy: Press this button to select the in record source for the recorder connected to **Tape 1**. The first press will select the source currently being listened to. Press again to select the source in the following order:

Tuner→CD→Tape 2→Source.



23 Memo: The memo button is used to enter stations to the tuner's preset memory in either the manual or automatic modes. It is also used in clearing the memory and entering the sleep timer period.

**25** Clear: The clear button is used to cancel tuning, memory input or when clearing the unit's memories.

**26 FM Mode:** Press this button to select the receiving mode for FM stations (Stereo/Mono/Auto).

**27 RDS Display:** When a station transmitting RDS data is tuned, press this button to view the tuning frequency.

**23 RDS AF:** The button is used to search for stations transmitting a specific program that may offer better reception than the currently tuned station.

**EXAMPLE PROVIDE NOT SET UP:** Press this button to view the programme type (PTY) when an RDS station is tuned. It is also used to initiate a search for RDS stations transmitting a specific programme type.

**30 Bass:** This knob adjusts the tone of low frequency sounds. Turn it to the right to boost bass frequencies or to the left to cut bass frequencies.

**ST Treble:** This knob adjusts the tone of high frequency sounds. Turn to it the right to boost high frequencies or to the left to cut high frequencies.

**Balance:** This knob adjusts the balance between the front left and right speakers.

**EXAMPLE 1** Front Panel Inputs: Audio or Video sources connected to these jacks may be selected by pressing the **Aux** button **B**.

### Front Panel Information Display

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**O** "Visual" Indicator: These indicators display which Video source is being fed to the video monitor output.

**2** Test: This indicator flashes when the output levels are being set using the built in test signal generator.

**Memo:** This indicator flashes when the **Memo** button is pressed when entering presets and other information into the tuner's memory.

**4** Auto: This indicator signifies that the Automatic Receiving mode (Stereo/ Mono) is in use for FM broadcasts.

**5** Tuned: This indicator lights when an AM or FM station is properly tuned and locked.

**3 Stereo:** This indicator lights when an FM station is broadcasting in stereo.

✓ Volume indication: The last two indicators on the information display indicate the volume level. Note that □ d B is the reference level, not an indication that there is no output.

**③** Tuner Frequency Indication: When the tuner is in use, the main Information Display will show the preset channel number, if any, the frequency band and the station frequency. Indicators at the right side of the display show kHz when an LW or AM station is tuned or MHz when an FM station is tuned.

#### Main Information Display:

This ten digit display shows messages relating to the status, input source, surround mode, tuner, volume level or other aspects of the unit's operation.

Multi: This indicator signifies that the AVR80 is sending a program source to a remote room location. Note that it may be illuminated even when the unit is "off" in the main listening room, signifying that operation continues at another location. When a remote command is being received via the Multi IR connection, this indicator will flash.

(i) Mode Status: These indicators display the currently selected surround mode.

**DISP:** This indicator lights when the FL display has been turned off using the **Display** button **to** remind you that the unit is still turned on. (COPY Indicators: The TAPE COPY indicator lights when an input other than the current source has been selected to copy Tape 1. The COPYL VCR indicator signifies that the input to VCR 1 is other than the currently selected source.

P-Scan: This indicator flashes when the stations programmed into the tuner memory are being automatically reviewed.

(a) Auto Memo: This indicator flashes when the tuner is automatically scanning for stations and entering them into the preset memory.

**(b)** Signal Level Indication: This is a visual indication of the strength of a radio station signal. The more bars visible, the stronger the station.

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### **Rear Panel Audio and System Connections**

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ᢙ FM Antenna: Connect an indoor or external FM antenna to these terminals.

(c) AM Antenna: Connect the AM loop antenna supplied with the receiver to these terminals. If an external AM antenna is used, make connections to the AM and GND terminals in accordance with the instructions supplied with the antenna.

**• Tape 1 Out:** Connect these jacks to the RECORD/INPUT jacks of an (3 head) audio recorder.

**()** Tape 1 In: Connect these jacks to the PLAY/OUT jacks of the same audio recorder.

(a) Tape 2 Out: Connect these jacks to the RECORD/INPUT jacks of a second audio recorder.

**Tape 2 In:** Connect these jacks to the PLAY/OUT jacks of a second audio recorder.

**© CD IN:** Connect these jacks to the output of a compact disc player or CD changer.

**()** Front R: Connect these terminals to the front right speaker.

**•** Front L: Connect these terminals to the front left speaker.

**O** Center: Connect these terminals to the center speaker.

• Surround R: Connect these terminals to the right surround speaker.

Surround L: Connect these
terminals to the left surround speaker.

● Subwoofer Pre-Out: Connect this jack to the line level input of a powered subwoofer. If an external subwoofer amplifier is used as it's mandatory with an THX speaker system, connect this jack to the subwoofer amplifier input.

**O Pre-Outs:** If external power amplifiers are used for any channels, remove the connection pin and connect the jack to the input of the amplifier.

● 6 Channel Direct Input: If an external digital audio decoder is used for 5.1 (Dolby AC-3) audio, connect the outputs of that decoder to these terminals.

 Multi Room Interface: For multiroom installations where keypad remotes are in use, connect the keypad interface to this jack.

 Multi IR: Connect the output of an IR sensor in a remote room to this jack to operate the AVR80's multiroom control system.

 Multi-Out: When using the AVR80 for multi-room audio, connect this jack to the input of the audio amplifier powering the remote room speakers.

Source Power Cable: Connect the AC plug to a non-switched AC wall output.

• Switched AC Outlet: This outlet may be used to power any device that you wish to have on when the unit is turned on.

**()** Unswitched AC Outlet: This outlet may be used to power any AC device. The power will remain on at this outlet regardless of whether the AVR80 is on or off.

NOTE: The power consumption of the device plugged into each of these outlets should not exceed 50 watts.

♥ Remote IR In: If the AVR80's front panel IR sensor is blocked due to cabinet doors or other obstructions, an external IR sensor may be used. Connect the output of the sensor to this jack.

Remote IR Out: This connection permits the IR sensor in the receiver to serve other remote controlled devices. Connect this jack to the "IR IN" jack on Harman Kardon or other compatible equipment.

# Rear Panel Video Connections

**VCR 2 Video Out:** Connect this jack to the composite video RECORD/IN jack of a second VCR.

**UVCR 2 Video In:** Connect this jack to the composite video PLAY/OUT jack of a second VCR.

VCR 2 S Video In: Connect this jack to the "S" video PLAY/OUT jack

M TV Audio In: Connect the audio

outputs of a TV, cable converter or

composite video output of a TV, cable

converter or satellite receiver to this

jack. The signals received at this jack

are also used to trigger the "TV Auto-

**O** TV S Video In: Connect the "S"

or satellite receiver to this jack.

LD Video In: Connect the

player to this jack.

video output of a TV, cable converter

P LD Audio In: Connect the audio

output of a laser disc player to these

composite video output of a laser disc

satellite receiver to these jacks.

N TV Video In: Connect the

of a second VCR.

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jacks.

▲ VCR 1 Audio In: Connect these jacks to the audio PLAY/OUT jacks of a VCR. **VCR 2 S Video Out:** Connect this jack to the "S" video RECORD/IN jack of a second VCR.

**VCR 1 Audio Out:** Connect these jacks to the RECORD/IN audio jacks of a VCR.

**C** VCR 1 Video In: Connect this jack to the composite video PLAY/OUT jack of a VCR.

**VCR 1 Video Out:** Connect this jack to the composite video RECORD/IN jacks of a VCR.

**VCR 1 S Video Out:** Connect this jack to the "S" video RECORD/IN jack of a VCR.

**VCR 1 S Video In:** Connect this jack to the "S" video PLAY/OUT jack of a VCR.

**C** VCR 2 Audio Out: Connect these jacks to the audio jacks RECORD/IN of a second VCR.

**CR 2 Audio In:** Connect these jacks to the audio PLAY/OUT jacks of a second VCR.

**R** LD S Video In: Connect the "S" video output of a laser disc player to this jack.

**S** LD Digital In: Connect the coax digital output of a laser disc or CD player to this jack.

NOTE: This connection is for standard, two channel PCM audio. DO NOT connect the modulated RF digital output used for multichannel (AC-3) audio to this jack.

TV Monitor Video Out: Connect this jack to the composite video input of a TV monitor or video projector to view the on screen control menus and output of the receiver's video switcher.

#### TV Monitor S Video Out:

Connect this jack to the S video input of a TV monitor or video projector to view S video sources selected by the receiver's video switcher.

### **Remote Control Functions**

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(3) Mute: Press this button to temporarily cut the audio output of the receiver. Press it again to return to the previous volume level.

Transport Controls: These buttons control the tape or disc motion of the last playback source selected with the Source Selection buttons 3. Use them as you would the Play, Stop, Pause, Reverse Play and Record buttons on any VCR, CD cassette deck or LD remote control.

**(D)** Tune/Search & Fast Forward: (These buttons have multiple functions, which vary according to the input device selected.)

- a. When the **TUNER** has been selected, these buttons are used to tune stations.
- b. When CD, LD, Tape or VCR is the input source, these buttons act as the Fast Scan Forward >>> or Fast Scan Reverse <>>> controls.

() Channel/Skip: (These buttons have multiple functions, which vary according to the input device selected.)

- a. When the **TUNER** has been selected, these buttons will scroll up
   →I or down I→ through the stations that have been programmed in the preset memory.
- b. When TV or VCR is selected, they are the channel up ►1 or channel down I ← tuning buttons.
- c. When CD or LD is selected these buttons act as forward and reverse "Skip" buttons to move to the next track or chapter on the disc.
- d. When a compatible Harman Kardon cassette player has been selected as Tape 1 or Tape 2, these buttons move the tape forward ►I or backwards I to the next selection using the Music Scan feature.

Disc/Deck/Ant: (These buttons have multiple functions, which vary according to the input device selected.)

- When CD is selected and the unit is a CD changer, these buttons will change to the next disc + or previous disc -.
- b. When Tape 1 or Tape 2 is the input source, and the tape machine is a dual cassette deck, these buttons will switch between the "A" and "B" sides if programmed correspondingly.
- c. When VCR 1 or VCR 2 is the input source, these buttons switch between tape and TV-tuner as the VCR's output.
- d. When TV is the input source, these buttons may switch between video input sources or antenna/video, depending on the TV model.
- e. When LD is the input source, these buttons will switch the side being played from "A" to "B" on compatible dual side players.

(B) Number Keys: These buttons serve as a ten button numeric keypad to enter tuner preset positions. They are also to be used to select channel numbers when TV has been selected on the remote, or to select track numbers on a CD or LD player, if CD or LD has been selected by the remote. The letters below the buttons are used to enter information for tuner station names.

NOTE: The **0** button has a dual function. It also serves as the **CLEAR** button for use in programming the tuner or clearing the system memory.

**Use/Learn:** This switch selects the operation mode of the remote control. Slide it to the left for normal operation. Slide it to the right when the remote is being programmed.

**2** Main Power: Press these buttons to turn the unit on or off.

Source Selection: Pressing one of these buttons selects the input source that will be listened to through the receiver. When a source is selected the remote's transport and numeric number buttons will also transmit the commands needed to control that machine.

◆ Source Power: Press these buttons to control power for the last source device selected. This is effective only for devices with remoteable power (not TU930, HD730), for tapes only with input Tape 1 (Monitor) unless programmed otherwise.

Surround Mode Selection: Press one of these buttons to select a surround mode for the current listening session.

 Main Volume: These buttons control the unit's volume. Note that all channels are controlled simultaneously.

⑦ TV Volume: These buttons adjust the volume for TV using the remote control codes programmed into the remote for a TV set or cable box. These buttons control the TV set only, regardless of which source is selected. This enables you to control the audio level of a TV set even when the receiver is not in use.

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P-Scan: Press this button to automatically scan through the stations preset into the tuner memory. Press the button again to end the scan when the tuner stops at the desired station.

(b) Memo: The memo button is used to enter stations to the tuner's preset memory in either the manual or automatic modes. It is also used in the process of clearing the memory.

Delay: This button controls the amount of sound delay to the rear (surround) channels. Press it to increase the delay in the steps shown in the main Information Display or on-screen graphics.

 Menu Controls: These buttons control the action of the cursor or the selection of menu items when the receiver is being configured using the setup menus.

(B) Select: This button chooses a menu and enters settings to the receiver's memory during system configuration.

(D) Screen Display: Press this button to activate the on screen menu system.

② Panel Display: Press this button to turn off all displays and indicators in the Information Display except for a small DISP indication in the lower right corner of the display ● Press the button again to turn the display back on. Note that the display will briefly illuminate when a command is sent to the unit from the front panel or remote, even though the display is turned off.

 Test Noise: Press this button to begin calibration of the output level for each channel. A test signal will immediately be heard from the left front speaker and the TEST indicator
 will flash.

Speaker Select: When setting the system output levels, this button selects the speaker position being adjusted. Press it once to advance to the next speaker after each position is adjusted.

**(23)** Level Adjust: When setting the system output levels, press these buttons in increase or decrease the output level.

Sending LED: This indicator should flash any time a button is pressed to confirm that a command is being sent to the receiver or another unit. If the light is dim or does not illuminate when a button is pressed the batteries in the remote should be replaced.



Learn LED: This indicator will illuminate when a button on the remote is being programmed with signals from another remote during the "learning" mode. The light will go out when the signal is received and memorized.

 RDS PTY: Press this button to view the Programme Type information for stations transmitting RDS data. This button is also used for PTY Auto Search functions.

**RDS AF:** This button initiates a search of alternate frequencies to find an eventually stronger signal for the station type currently selected.

### Installation, Set Up & Configuration

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### System Installation

After unpacking the unit, and placing it in on a solid surface capable of supporting its weight, you will need to make the connections to your audio and video equipment. These steps need to be done only when the receiver is first installed, or when a change is made to the input source equipment.

### Audio Input and Output Connections

Use the "Audio and Systems Connections" Diagram in the inside front cover as a guide to connecting audio components and speakers to the rear panel. We recommend that you use high quality cables when making connections to source equipment and recorders to preserve the quality of the signals.

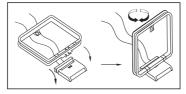
NOTE: When making connections to audio source equipment or speakers it is always a good practice to unplug the unit from the AC wall plug. This prevents any possibility of accidentally sending audio or transient signals to the speakers that may damage them.

1. For playback only sources, such as a CD player, CD changer, external phono preamp or external digital to analog converter, connect the output jacks of the player to the appropriately labeled inputs on the rear panel.

NOTE: When the source device has both fixed and variable audio outputs it is best to use the fixed output unless you find that the input to the receiver is so low that the sound is noisy, or high that the signal is distorted.

2. When connecting recording devices such as cassette recorders, open reel tape decks, DCC, DAT or MD, connect the PLAY/OUT jacks of the recorder to the IN jacks OO. Connect the RECORD/IN jacks on the recorder to the OUT jacks OO.

3. Assemble the AM Loop Antenna supplied with the unit as shown below. Connect it to the AM and GND screw terminals (5).



4. Connect an FM antenna to the FM (75 ohm) connection (2). The FM antenna may be an external roof antenna, an inside powered or wire lead antenna, or a connection from a cable TV system. Note that if the antenna or connection uses 300 ohm twin lead cable, you must use the 300 ohm to 75 ohm adapter supplied with the unit to make the connection.

5. Connect the front, center and surround speaker outputs **(DOOOC)** to the respective speakers.



To assure that all the audio signals are carried to your speakers without loss of clarity or resolution, we suggest that you use high quality speaker cable. Many brands of cable are available, and the choice of cable may be influenced by the distance between your speakers and this receiver, the type of speakers you use, personal preferences and other factors. Your dealer or installer is a valuable resource to consult in selecting the proper cable.

Regardless of the brand of cable selected, we recommend that you use a cable constructed of fine, multi-strand copper with a gauge of 14 or larger. Remember, that in specifying cable, the lower the number, the thicker the cable.

Cable with a gauge of 16 may be used for short runs of less than ten feet. We do not recommend that you use cables with an AWG equivalent of 18 or higher due to the power loss and degradation in performance that will occur.

One way to insure that cables will deliver a predictable level of performance is to use Home THX<sup>®</sup> certified cables. This certification assures that the cables have met a rigorous set of specifications designed for home theater applications.

Cables that are run inside walls should have the appropriate markings to indicate listing with appropriate testing agency standards. Questions about running cables inside walls should be referred to your installer or electrical contractor.

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When connecting wires to the speakers, be certain to observe proper polarity. Remember to connect the "negative" or "black" wire to the same terminal on the receiver and the speaker. Similary the "Red" wire should be connected to the like terminal on the AVR80 and speaker.

NOTE: While most speaker manufacturers adhere to an industry convention of using black terminals for negative and red ones for positive, some manufacturers may vary from this configuration. To assure proper phase, and optimal performance, consult the identification plate on your speaker, or the speaker's manual to verify polarity. If you do not know the polarity of your speaker, ask your dealer for advice before proceeding, or consult the speaker's manufacturer.

6. Connections to a subwoofer are made via a line level audio connection from the receiver's jack **(b)** to the line level input of a subwoofer with a built in amplifier. If a passive subwoofer is used, the connection first goes to a power amplifier, which will be connected to the subwoofer speakers.

If Your system has two subwoofers, as with many THX systems, connect the jack with a so called 'Y' cable to a Stereo power amplifier, powering both subwoofers.

7. If an outboard multichannel digital audio adapter is used, connect the six outputs of the adapter to the 6 CH. Direct Input inputs **()**.

### Video Input and Output Connections

Video connections are made in a similar fashion to those for audio components. Again, the use of high quality interconnect video cables is recommended to preserve signal quality.

1. Connect the VCR's audio, video and "S" Video OUT jacks to the VCR IN jacks AGE 1010 on the rear panel. The audio, video and "S" video IN jacks on the VCR should be connected to the VCR OUT jacks BDEGNK on the AVR 80.

2. Connect the audio, video and "S" video outputs of a satellite receiver, cable TV converter, television set or any Audio/Video source to the **TV** jacks **MINO**.

3. Connect the audio, video and "S" video outputs of a Laser Disc player to the LD jacks **POE**. If your LD player has a coax digital output for 44.1kHz PCM audio, you will obtain higher sound quality by connecting that output to the LD Digital In jack **S**.

4. Connect the **TV MON D** jacks on the receiver to the video or "S" Video inputs of your television monitor or video projector.

5. There is no mix or change between 'Video' (composite) and 'S' Video signals inside the AVR 70 and no sytem selection. If watching to both signals systems, both TV MON jacks and must be connected to the TV Monitor. The On Screen Menus are visible only on the 'Video' Output, not on 'S' Video.



### System and Power Connections

The AVR80 is designed for flexible use with external control components and power amplifiers. These connections are easy to make during an initial installation, or at a later date should you choose to upgrade your system.

#### **Remote Control Expansion**

If the receiver is placed behind a solid or smoked glass cabinet door, the obstruction may prevent the remote sensor from receiving commands. In this event, an optional remote sensor may be used. Connect the output of the remote sensor to the **Remote Cont. IN** jack **①**.

If other components are also prevented from receiving remote commands, only one sensor is needed. They may use this unit's sensor or a remote eye by running a connection from the **REMOTE CONT. OUT** jack **()** to the Remote In jack on Harman Kardon or other JR-code compatible equipment.

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### External Audio Power Amplifier Connections

Using the PRE OUT jacks (), connections may be made to external power amplifiers. To make these connections, remove the jumpers between PRE-OUT and MAIN IN, and save them for future use. Connect the PRE-OUT of the channels to be connected to external amplifiers to that amplifier's inputs. Volume will still be controlled by this receiver.

When an external amplifier is used for the front channels, this receiver's rear channel outputs and one passive (nonpowered) subwoofer may be connected to this unit's internal amplifier for higher power output. To make these connections, follow the diagrams on this page. Using short RCA to RCA jumpers, connect the left and right SURR PRE-OUT jacks to the left and right FRONT MAIN IN jacks. A subwoofer may be connected by connecting the SUBWOOFER PRE OUT to the CENTER MAIN IN.

If these connections are used, changes must be made to the speaker outputs. Connect the left and right surround speakers to the speaker terminals labeled **FRONT ()** and the passive subwoofer to the speaker terminals labeled **CENTER ()**.

NOTE: When external power amplifiers are used, the center channel speakers should receive at least as much amplifier power as the front left and right speakers.

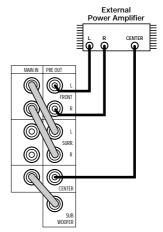
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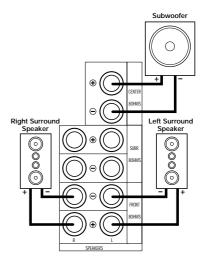
This unit is equipped with two accessory AC outlets. They may be used to power accessory devices, but they should not be used with high current draw equipment such as power amplifiers (not more than 50 Watts each).

The SWITCHED ① outlet will receive power only when the unit is on. This is recommended for devices that have no power switch, or a mechanical power switch that may be left in the "ON" position (as for example with the harman/kardon CDPlayer HD730). Devices with electronical power switch may only switch on to standby mode, if pluged in here.

The **UNSWITCHED (**) outlet will receive power as long as the unit is plugged into a powered AC outlet.

Finally, when all connections are complete, plug the power cord into a non-switched AC wall outlet. Note that the ring surrounding the Power Switch Swill turn amber. You're almost ready to enjoy the AVR80!





Use these connections when the AVR80's internal amplifiers are re-configured from their factory settings

### **Remote Control Programming & Operation**

This product is equipped with a powerful remote control. As supplied, it will operate the receiver, as well as most CD players and tape decks manufactured by Harman Kardon. In addition, it is preprogrammed with the remote codes to operate VCRs, LD players and TV sets that are based on the popular RC-5 control code system. If your equipment requires different codes, it may be programmed to copy the codes from most infra red remotes.

### **Loading Batteries**

The life of the batteries for the remote control is about one year in normal operation. If the green Sending 2 indicator does not flash when remote buttons are pushed, that is an indication that the batteries need to be replaced. Don't simply through old batteries away but recycle only or return them to your dealer.

### To change the batteries:

1. Remove the back cover by sliding it in the direction of the arrows.



2. Remove the old batteries and insert fresh AAA type cells. Be certain to observe the correct polarity by noting the (+) and (–) marks on both the inside of the case and on the battery cells. It is recommended that both batteries be changed at the same time.



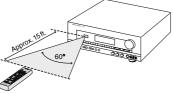
3. Close the cover until it clicks shut.



NOTE: It is important that the batteries be replaced within ten minutes after the old batteries are removed to avoid losing any remote codes that have been programmed into the remote's memory.

#### **Remote Control Range**

The remote will operate at a range of up to 15 feet from the unit, when the batteries are fully charged. The remote will also operate at an angle of up to 30° to either side of the unit



Always point the remote transmitter at the front of the unit when issuing commands. If you find that remote commands are not being received by the remote, it may be necessary to use a remote IR sensor.

Source Power On Reverse Play -Source Power Off Stop Disc/Deck + Record Disc/Deck -Pause 📘 Channel/Skip TV Volume Up Channel/Skip Tune/Search Memo Tune/Search -P-Scan

### **Remote Programming**

### Programmable Keys

Many of the buttons on the remote control that may be user programmed to new functions to operate virtually any component in your system. Ten CANNOT be programmed with a new code, as they control high level functions. These keys are Main Power ON, Main Power **OFF**, and the eight source input keys: TV, LD, VCR 1, VCR 2, TUNER, CD, TAPE 1 and TAPE 2.

Programmable keys are divided into two groups. Some keys may be programmed with a separate function for each of the inputs. Thus, these keys may change their code when the input source is changed. (i.e. The **Play** key may transmit a different code when CD is selected as opposed to when VCR is selected.) The keys that may be programmed with multiple codes are the following:

All Numeric Keys (0 - 9) Forward Play TV Volume Down **V** 

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Another group of keys may only be programmed with one remote code. The code contained in these keys remains the same regardless of the source selection.

**WARNING:** These keys transmit codes that are vital to the operation of the product. It is not recommended that they be programmed with alternative codes, as it may then be impossible to operate certain functions of the receiver.

ТНХ Αυχ Cursor Up 🔺 Pro Logic Delay Cursor Down **V** Dolby 3 Stereo Memo Cursor Right Movie Screen Display Cursor Left Matrix Panel Display Select Hall Speaker Main Volume Up Stereo Test Noise Main Volume Down Mono Adjust Mute RDS PTY RDS AF

To program the remote, you need the remote of the device, whose functions shall be programmed. Note that it is not necessary to program all keys, only those that are required to operate the subject device. Keys not programmed will retain the codes preprogrammed at the factory.

1. Slide Use/Learn ① switch at the top left corner of the remote to the right so that it is next to Learn.

2. If one of the multi-function buttons is being programmed press the source button (i.e. CD, VCR, etc.) you wish to have this function associated with. If you are programming a single function key, proceed to the next step.

3. Press the button on the remote that is to be programmed. Note that the Learning 😰 LED will illuminate.

4. Place the remote head to head with the remote control whose function is being learned. The two remotes should be no more than 8 inches apart.

5. Press and hold the button on the transmitting remote corresponding to the function to be memorized until the **Learning** LED starts to blink. When the LED goes out, release the button on the transmitting remote. The function code has been successfully captured.

**NOTE:** If both LEDs flash during a programming operation, it indicates that the remote's memory is full or that the remote codes from the transmitting remote are not compatible with the unit's signal format.

6. Continue to program any additional remote commands required using steps 2 through 5. When you have finished programming the remote, slide the Use/Learn switch to the left so that it is in the Use position.



### **Clearing the Remote Memory**

In normal operation, codes for a new device may be programmed "over" the codes that have been previously programmed into the remote. It is also possible to clear the memory for individual keys, or for the entire remote. When a memory position is cleared, the remote will return to the original factory preset command.

To clear the memory for a specific individual key location, put the Use/Learn switch in the Learn position. Press the Main Power Off button and the button to be cleared at the same time. Both the Sending and Learning indicators will light momentarily. When the lights go out, the memory has been cleared of the user programmed code and returned to the factory preset. Return the Use/Learn switch to the Use position when you are finished.

To clear the remote's entire memory and return all keys to their factory preset commands first put the Use/Learn switch in the Learn position. Then press the Main Power On button 🕗 and confirm that the Learning indicator 🕗 has illuminated. While continuing to press the Power On button, press and hold the **Power Off 2** button until the Learn indicator goes off for about 3 seconds. It will then blink twice. Then release the two buttons. This indicates that the memory has been cleared of any user programmed commands and that the original commands have been restored. Slide the Use/Learn switch back to the Use **①** position to return the remote to normal operation.

When all audio, video and system connections have been made, there are a few configuration adjustments to be made. A few minutes spent to correctly configure and calibrate the unit will greatly add to your listening experience.

### **Speaker Selection and Placement**

The placement of speakers in a multi channel home theater system can have a noticeable impact on the quality of sound reproduced. For Home THX operation it is recommended that the speakers carry the certification mark of Lucasfilm Ltd.'s Home THX Division. However, with careful selection and placement, the AVR 80 will deliver accurate reproduction with any high quality speakers.

No matter which type or brand of speakers are used, the same model or brand of speaker should be used for the front left, center and right speakers. This creates a seamless front soundstage, and eliminates the possibility of distracting sonic disturbances that occur when a sound moves across mis-matched front channel speakers.

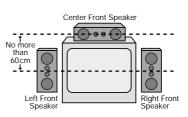
For the most accurate and exciting reproduction of bass frequencies a separate subwoofer should be used. When THX Certified front channel speakers are used a separate subwoofer is mandatory, as THX front and center speakers are not designed for extreme low frequencies. The AVR80 may be used with either conventional (point source) surround speakers or with THX Certified diffuse surround speakers. No adjustment is needed to select the type of surround speaker used.

### **Speaker Placement**

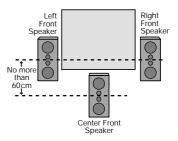
For best imaging, it is recommended that the center channel speaker be placed in line with the left and right speakers. It should be placed above the center of TV monitor or rear screen projector, with the speaker as close to the top of the screen as possible. If possible, adjust all front speakers to aim at ear height when seated in the listening position. Once the center speaker is positioned, adjust the height of the left and right speakers so the tweeter of those speakers is no more than 60cm off center from the tweeter on the center channel speaker.

Note that many THX Certified speakers must be placed vertically, while others may be placed horizontally. Consult the instruction manual accompanying your center speaker for the correct mounting position.

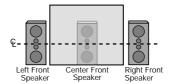




A) Front Channel Speaker Installation with Direct View TV Sets or Rear Screen Projectors

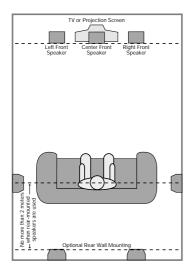


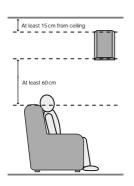
B) Front Channel Speaker Installation with Non-Perforated Front Projection Screen



C) Front Channel Speaker Installation with Center Speaker behind a Perforated Front Projection Screen

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Surround speakers should be placed on the side walls of the room, at or slightly behind the listening position. The center of bidirectional speakers should face into the room with the active speaker drivers pointing towards the front and rear of the room The speakers should be located so that the bottom of the cabinet is at least 60 cm higher than the listeners' ears when in the desired area.

If side wall mounting is not practical, the speakers may be placed on a rear wall, behind the listening position. Again, they should be located so that the bottom of the cabinet is at least 60 cm higher than the listeners' ears. The speakers should be no more than two meters behind the rear of the seating area.

Subwoofers produce non-directional sound, so they may be placed almost anywhere in a room. Subwoofer placement is highly influenced by room size and shape, and the type of subwoofer used. Follow the instructions of the subwoofer's manufacturer, or experiment with the best location for a subwoofer in your listening room.

Once the speakers have been placed in the room and connected, the final step is to enter the configuration information and balance the speaker output levels. Before proceeding further this is a good time to review the installation section of the manual to make certain that all connections are properly made.



#### System Settings

1. Plug the unit into an AC wall outlet and press the **Power** button on either the front panel **[5]** or the remote **2**. Note that the ring surrounding the front panel switch will turn green, and the front panel display will illuminate.

2. Check to see that the unit is configured to the video broadcast standard in use in your country by pressing and holding the OSD button on the front panel **11** for more than three seconds. The front panel display will indicate the current setting. If the setting is not correct press the button again until the correct standard (PAL, SECAM or NTSC) is displayed.

3. Turn on the TV connected to the receiver. Select the appropriate video input on the TV.

NOTE: Although the unit will switch "S" video signals, the on screen menus control system is NOT visible on the S video output.

4. Press any of the navigational arrow buttons or the SELECT (B) button on the remote to bring the MAIN MENU up on your video screen. (Figure #1)

5. Press the  $\checkmark$  button five times until the on screen > cursor is pointing to SET UP MENU.

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6. Press SELECT () to move to the next screen, SET UP MENU 1. (Figure #2).

7. The first item to be set is the Center Channel Mode. The on screen > cursor will already point toward this option when you select the menu. Press the ◀ or ▶ buttons ⑦ to choose one of these center channel options by moving the cursor:

LARGE: Choose this option if you are using either a THX Certified speaker system with a subwoofer or large size full range center channel speaker.

SMALL: Choose this option if the center speaker is small sized.

NONE: Choose this option if you are not using a center channel speaker.

8. When the center channel speaker selection is complete, press the ▼ button ⑦ to move to the next option. Note that the on screen > cursor will move down to SUBWØØFER.

9. Press the  $\triangleleft$  or  $\triangleright$  buttons to choose one of these options:

on Choose this option if a Subwoofer is installed, getting its signal from 'subwoofer' jack  $\mathbf{\Phi}$ .

**OFF**: Choose this option if no Subwoofer is present.

10. Press ▼ ⑦ once and then SELECT ③ to move to SET UP MENU 2 to continue the set-up procedure. (Press ▼ twice and then SELECT if you prefer to return to the MAIN MENU.) 12. If multiroom operation will be used, the first option enables you to select the method used for volume control. With the > cursor pointing to MULTI RM VOL press the ◀ or ▶ buttons to choose one of these options:

VARIABLE: Choose this option if the volume control in the remote rooms will be controlled by a remote control and a sensor connected to the AVR80 via the MULTI IR input on the rear panel.

FIXED: Choose this option if there is no remote control link to the remote rooms, or if you wish to have the volume in these rooms remain at a fixed, constant level.

a. If you selected VARIABLE Volume Set, this option selects the volume level at the remote rooms when the system is first turned on in those locations.

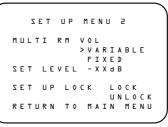
b. If you selected FIXED Volume Set, this is the level that will remain constant in the remote rooms.

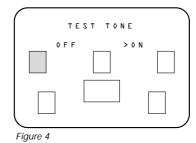


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Figure 2





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14. When you have made a volume selection, press  $\checkmark$  (7) to move to the next option. Note that the > cursor should point to SET UP LOCK.

15. This option enables you to lock the settings at the SET UP MENU ⊥. This makes it difficult for someone to inadvertently change the settings by causing the word LOCK to appear at the top of SET UP MENU ⊥. Before any further changes are made, the user must first go to SET UP MENU ⊇ and unlock the system. Press the ◀ or ► buttons To choose one of these options:

LOC K: Choose this option to lock the settings as described above.

UNLOC K: Choose this option to unlock the settings and enable them to be changed without going to this menu.

16. When you have made your choice, press ▼ ⑦ and then SELECT ⑦ to return to the main menu. At this point the output levels for all channels will be set to a reference so that the sound level is the same from each speaker. This compensates for the differences between the speakers used and the distance each speaker is from your listening position.

At this point you may wish to adjust the rear channel delay time. See the Advanced Features section later in this manual for information on delay settings.

NOTE: Before setting the output levels it is critical that the front panel bass **30** and treble controls **31** be set to their center, or "12 o'clock" position. This ensures accurate results. 17. At the MAIN MENU, press  $\checkmark$  three (3) times until the > cursor is next to TEST TONE. Press SELECT to continue.

18. When you press **SELECT** you will immediately hear a test noise from the front left speaker. The on screen display will change to a graphic representation of each of the speakers in your room, with one speaker position blinking. (Figure #4) That speaker is the one whose level is being set.

NOTE: This procedure will only operate if the AVR80 is in the THX, PR0LOGIC, MOVIE or DOLBY 3 STERE0 Modes. If the test tone cannot be selected, select MENU OFF in the MAIN MENU and check to see which surround mode is indicated in the front panel display. If it is not one of the four modes mentioned above, select one of the correct modes, and then select the MAIN MENU point TEST TONE by pressing ▼ and SELECT on the remote, to resume the setup..

19. While seated in the primary listening position in the center of the room, press SPEAKER ② on the remote . Note that the sound should now come from the Center Channel speaker, and the icon for that speaker will flash on the screen. Use the ADJUST ▲ and ADJUST ▼ buttons ③ on the remote to change the level of the test noise so that it appears to be equal in level to the Front Left speaker.



20. Press the SPEAKER button again, and repeat the procedure for the Front Right, Surround Right, Surround Left and Subwoofer channels. Each time, use the ADJUST ▲ and ADJUST ▼ buttons ③ on the remote to change the volume level so that all speakers match, and press SPEAKER ④ to move to the next channel.

NOTE: This test also serves as an opportunity to verify that all speakers are properly connected. If the sound from a speaker location does not match the location shown on the video and front panel displays, turn the AVR 80 off and check the speaker wiring to make certain that the speaker is connected to the correct output terminals.

21. When all speakers appear to have an equal volume, press the  $\triangleleft$  button  $\bigoplus$  on the remote to complete the procedure.

NOTE: For a more accurate calibration of the speaker output levels perform the test outlined in steps 16 through 20 using a sound pressure level (SPL) meter. For calibration to THX standards, it is recommended that the output for each channel measure 75 dB (C-weighted, slow) on the meter.

CONGRATULATIONS! You have completed a basic set up and you are now ready to enjoy the finest in home theater and music listening enjoyment. Once the input, speaker and antenna

connections have been made, and the

is ready for operation. Note that some

panel and the remote control, while

To turn the unit on, press either the

Power button on the front panel **19** or

When power is turned on, the receiver will

Main Power ON ② on the remote.

return to the input source in use when

the unit was last turned on. The front

panel display will also illuminate to

provide status indicators of the unit's

To select or change the input source,

Source buttons on the remote **3**.

press one of the **Source** buttons on the

To listen to one source while you watch

TV, VCR1, VCR2 or Aux), and then

CD, Tape 1, Tape 2).

the word VISUAL ①

seconds.

another, first select the video source (LD.

select the desired audio source (AM/FM

The audio source will be displayed on the

source will be displayed in the upper left

corner of the Fluorescent Display next to

For change between analog and digital

LD input press the source button LD on

the front **7** or **3** on the remote for 3

Information Display, while the video

front panel **345678** or one of the

both.

operation.

**Source Selection** 

system has been configured, the receiver

controls are duplicated on both the front

others appear on one or the other, but not

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### **Volume Control**

The AVR80's volume is controlled using either the front panel knob **1** or the **Main Volume** buttons **6** on the remote.

NOTE: Unlike conventional mechanically driven volume controls, this receiver's volume is set using digital devices. This means that the volume knob has no firm stopping point at either end of its rotation. Depending on the speed with which the knob is turned, it is normal for as many as three complete rotations to be required for full travel from the loudest setting to the softest.

When the volume is adjusted, the word Master will appear in the main portion of the Information Display, followed by a two digit number. The number indicates the variation from the reference point established when the output levels are set.

### **Surround Mode Selection**

One of the most important features of the AVR 80 is its ability to reproduce a full multichannel surround soundfield from surround encoded programs and standard stereo programs. In addition, this is one of the few receivers available that is equipped for Home THX, the ultimate in home theater. In all a total of eight listening modes are available on the AVR 80.

Selection of a surround mode is based on personal taste, as well as the type of program source material being used. For example, motion pictures bearing the logo of one of the major surround encoding processes, such as Dolby Surround, DTS Stereo or UltraStereo may be played in either the THX Cinema, Dolby Pro Logic or Movie Surround



Modes. TV or radio broadcasts of programs in surround, but not originally produced as theatrical motion pictures should be played back in the Dolby Pro Logic or Movie Surround modes. Other mode selections are described elsewhere in this manual.

**NOTE:** Once a program has been encoded with surround information, it retains the surround matrix as long as the program is broadcast in stereo. Thus, movies with surround sound will carry surround information when they are broadcast via conventional TV stations, cable, pay TV and satellite transmission. In addition, a growing number of made for television programs, sports broadcasts, radio dramas and music CDs are also recorded in surround sound. You may obtain a list of these programs and discs from Dolby Laboratories Licensing Corp., Woothon Bassett, Wiltshire, SN4 8QJ, England.

Surround modes may be selected in one of three ways.

From the front panel, use the Mode  $\blacktriangle$  or Mode  $\checkmark$  buttons  $\blacksquare$  to scroll through the list of modes. The selected mode will appear in large letters in the front panel display, and in a two line reminder on the video screen. Once the selection is made, the mode will continue to appear in a smaller indictor at the bottom of the front panel display.

From the remote, modes may be selected by simply pressing the button that corresponds to the desired mode. **(5)** 

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Modes may also be selected using the on screen display. Press SELECT (B) on the remote to display the MAIN MENU. Then press V (D) twice so that the on screen cursor is next to SURROUND MODE. Press SELECT (B) again to move to the next menu.

At the SURROUND MODE MENU, press the  $\blacktriangleleft$  or  $\triangleright$  buttons O until the desired mode name appears on the screen. Press  $\checkmark$  twice until the > cursor is next to **RETURN TO MAIN MENU** and press **SELECT**. At the main menu select **MENU OFF** and press **SELECT** to exit the menus.

A different mode may be selected for audio and video sources. Once a mode has been selected, it will be attached to those sources in memory. Thus, you may select THX CINEMA as the mode for video and HALL SURROUND for audio. After the initial selections are made, the unit will automatically return to your preferred mode for each type of input whenever it is chosen.

### **TV** Auto Function

With the increasing sophistication of today's home entertainment systems, it often takes numerous remote controls to turn a system on. This receiver's unique "TV Auto" feature simplifies that task and greatly reduces the actions needed to bring your entire system to life. If a video feed is connected to the TV VIDEO IN jack 🚺 during the installation, that signal is used to trigger system turn on. Even when the receiver is turned off, the presence of an video signal at the TV VIDEO jack will automatically cause the receiver to turn on. As long as the signal is present, the receiver will remain on. When the TV or other source is turned off, the receiver will automatically return to a standby ("off") mode within five minutes.

Note that if the receiver is turned on automatically by this function, it will remain on if another source is subsequently selected. In that case, the receiver needs to be turned off manually even if the TV source is turned off.

### **Tuner Operation**

The FM/AM tuner is extremely flexible, and offers a number of options. The following instructions will enable you to take advantage of the tuner's many features.

To select tuner operation, press the AM/FM button 3 on the front panel, or the remote 3. Press the button again to select the desired frequency band if required.



When manually tuning stations, observe the SIGNAL LEVEL indicator ③ and the TUNED⑤ indicators. The more bars visible on the SIGNAL LEVEL indicator, the stronger the signal and the better the station will sound. A station is properly tuned when the TUNED indicator is illuminated.

### **Tuner Mode**

Pressing the FM Mode button 25 on the front panel selects how a station will be received. When the button is pressed so that the AUT O (2) indicator is lit, stations broadcasting in stereo will be received in stereo. You may note stereo broadcasts by observing that the STEREO (3) indicator will illuminate. When the FM Mode button 25 is pressed until the AUT O (2) light goes out, all stations will be received in a monaural mode regardless of the method of transmission.

NOTE: When a station is broadcasting in stereo, but has a weak signal level, the reproduction may not be acceptable. In this case, select the Auto Off mode, as monaural reception is less susceptible to noise in weak reception areas.

### **Tuner Presets**

There are thirty preset positions that may be used to store your favorite stations in any order. These may be used to memorize both the station's frequency, reception mode and a name. Stations may be preset automatically or manually, and then recalled in a variety of ways.

### Automatic Station Preset Selection

This process automatically scans the AM and FM bands and enters all stations with proper signal strength into the memory. To automatically preset the tuner's memory, follow these steps:

1. Select the tuner as the unit's input by pressing the AM/FM button **3 3**.

2. Using the **TUNE I D** buttons, select the first station you wish to preset at the low end of the AM or FM band.

3. Start the automatic tuning preset by simultaneously pressing MEMO and TUNE ▲ on the front panel 21 16. The station tuned in step #2 will be entered into the tuner's memory as CH L. The MEMO ③ and AUTO MEMO ⑤ indicators will flash. The display will show increasing frequencies to indicate that the auto scan is in progress.

4. Each time the tuner finds a station the scanning will pause and the station will be played for five seconds. During this time you have the following options:

a. To enter the station in the next open memory position, no action is needed. After five seconds the tuner will enter the station and the preset number will be visible at the far left side of the main information display.

b. The frequency band may be changed by pressing the FM/AM button **3 3**.

c. If the tuner is scanning FM stations, the MODE may be changed from AUTO to mono by pressing the FM MODE button 25.

d. If you do not wish to enter the current station into the preset memory, press the TUNE ▲ button
15 ① on the front panel or remote.

5. After the desired action is completed, or five seconds elapse, the tuner scan will continue. The operation will stop automatically when all 30 preset positions are filled or when both frequency bands have been completely tuned, whichever comes first. To stop the automatic preset process at any time press the CLEAR button **25** or any input selection button.

### **Manual Tuner Preset**

Stations may be manually entered into the tuner's memory in any order. Manual entry is performed from the remote control only.

1. Tune to the desired station as outlined in Tuner Operation Section.

2. Press the MEMO button **22 (F**) and note that the MEMO indicator **(9** will flash.

3. While the indicator is flashing for the next 5 seconds, enter a number from 1 to 30 using the number buttons on the remote (). Any number may be used, but if another station has already been programmed into the location number selected, the previous setting will be lost.



a. To enter a single digit memory location, press **O** before the number, or enter the number and wait a few seconds.

b. If an invalid number (other than 1-30) is entered in error, the display will flash to alert you that the entry is invalid and it will return to the previous frequency display.

4. When the preset memory has been properly programmed the MEMO indicator ③ will stop blinking.

### **Station Name Preset**

In addition to identifying stations by their broadcast frequency or by the RDS system each preset station manually may be assigned a name using alphanumeric characters. This enables you to identify a station by its call letters, program format, or any other five character phrase.

To enter a station name, first preset all stations you wish to program into the tuner's memory. Then, follow these steps:

1. Tune to the desired preset station.

2. Press the **MEMO** button **2** on the front panel or **()** on the remote for more than three seconds.

3. Note that a character on the left side of the main information display will start to blink.

4. Enter the first character of the name using either the front panel **TUNE** ▲ or ▼ buttons ③ or the alphanumeric buttons ③ on the remote.

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A. To use the front panel buttons simply press and hold **TUNE**  $\blacktriangle$  **[G** button until the desired letter or number appears. Note that the upper case alphabet will appear, followed by the numbers  $\bot$  through  $\Box$ , and then a  $\_$ indicating a blank space. Tapping the button will advance the display one character at a time; holding it down will move the display quickly. If you pass by the desired character, use the **TUNE**  $\checkmark$ **[G** to move the display in reverse.

After entering the first character, press **MEMO 21** to move to the next position and note that the next digit will blink. Use the same procedure outlined above to enter a character.

When you have entered a digit or "blank" in all five spaces, press MEMO 22 for more than 1 second to confirm the entry

B. To use the remote for character entry, press the button corresponding to the desired letter or number. Press it once to enter the first printed letter, twice for the second, three times for the third and four times for the number. Press the "**9**" button to enter a blank space. (For example, press the "**ABC**" button once to enter an "**A**", three times for a "**C**" and four times to enter a "**L**".)

Use the **MEMO** button **(b)** to move to the next digit position. When all five spaces have been filled, press **MEMO** again for more than 1 second to confirm the entry.

Once a station name has been attached to a preset position, the station's frequency will appear briefly when the unit is tuned to that station. After a few seconds the preset name will appear in the display.

### **Tuning Preset Stations**

Stations preset into the tuner's memory may be recalled in a number of ways.

1. To recall a station directly enter a number from 1 to 30 using the number buttons on the remote s (3).

a. To enter a single digit memory location, press **0** before the number, or enter the number and wait a few seconds.

b. If an invalid number (other than 1-30) is entered in error, that number will flash to alert you that the entry is invalid and the display will return to the previous frequency display.

2. To scan through the list of preset stations, press the P-SET ▲ or P-SET ▼ on the front panel 2 or the CHANNEL buttons 1 ← 1 remote 1. Press once to move up or down through the memory presets one by one, or press and hold the button to quickly scan through the list of stations.

3. To automatically review each station in the memory, press the P-SCAN button () II. Note that the P-SCAN indicator () will blink.

The tuner will move up through the list of stations, pausing to play each for five seconds. Note that preset numbers where no station has been programmed will be skipped.



When the desired station is reached press **P-SCAN 15** or **CLEAR 25**.

#### **Clearing Preset Stations**

Once stations are programmed into the preset memories, it is possible to remove them individually or as a group.

To remove a single station from the memory:

1. Recall the station by pressing the buttons on the remote corresponding to the station's memory location.

2. Press the MEMO button **24** or **(5)** and observe that the MEMO indicator **(3)** will blink.

3. While the indicator is blinking, press the CLEAR button **25** -not the CLEAR button on the remote within five seconds. The word CLEAR will show briefly to confirm that the memory position has been cleared.

To clear *all* memory locations, the volume level and surround mode memories:

1. Press the MEMO button **21** (**5**) and the CLEAR button **25** (**6**) at the same time for some seconds, until CLEAR MEMO appears on the display.

**NOTE:** When a complete memory clear is performed the AVR80 will turn off as part of the process. After clearing the memory it is necessary to reset all stations and set up parameters.

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### **RDS** Operation

Now in use in many countries, RDS (Radio Data System) is a means of transmitting station call signs or network identification, a description of the station's programming, indication of national, regional or local programmes and others using hidden space in the FM signal. Your new receiver is equipped with RDS to assist in the selection of FM stations using station and network names, rather than broadcast frequencies. Additional RDS functions include the ability to search for programme types or to find stations with a specific programme type that have a stronger signal.

#### **Programme Service Display**

When a receiver is tuned to an FM station that is transmitting RDS data, the front panel information display will automatically show the programme service, network or station name in place of the typical display of the station's broadcast frequency. To display the frequency, press the front panel RDS DISP button 27.

### **Programme Type (PTY) Display**

The RDS system categorizes programmes according to their genre into different programme type (PTY) groups. To display the programme type information of the current station, simply press the **RDS/PTY** button on either the remote control or the front panel **Z (3)**.

Please note that many Stations don't broadcast PTY codes yet. Then  $N \circ N E$  is indicated.

### **PTY Auto Search**

Your receiver is equipped to automatically search for stations transmitting any of the fifteen different programme types. To search for a PTY, follow these steps:

1. Press the **RDS/PTY** button on either the front panel or the remote. The current station's PTY will be displayed, or the currently selected PTY group will be displayed if no station or RDS data is present.

2. To change to a new PTY type, press the **RDS/PTY** button **22 23** again until the desired PTY is shown in the display.

- a. When PTY selection is made using the RDS/PTY button only, the selection uses the PTY Group shown in Table 1.
- b. To select a specific PTY type directly, use the numeric buttons on the remote control () to select the programme type corresponding to the numbered choices in Table 1.

3. Once the desired PTY group or type has been selected, press the **Tune Up/Down** buttons on the front panel or remote control **I () ()** while the PTY indication is blinking (within 5 seconds). The PTY Auto search will start, and the tuner will stop at the next station broadcasting RDS PTY information corresponding to the selected choice.

4. To advance to the next RDS station with the desired PTY, press the Tune Up/Down button again within 5 seconds.



### **AF Auto Search**

A unique feature of the RDS system is its ability to find a station with identical programming automatically. This feature is particularly useful when listening to a national radio station where the same program is broadcast from a number of transmitters.

To search for Alternate Frequencies follow these steps:

1. Tune the receiver to the desired station using the Tune Up/Down buttons

2. Press the **RDS/AF** button on the front panel or remote control **23 27** twice within 1 second.

3. The tuner will automatically search for stations broadcasting the same program. When these stations are received, the front panel display will indicate A F-1. If the RDS/AF button is pressed again, the display will indicate the next identically programmed station by A F-2.

4. Press the **RDS/AF** button repeatedly until a station is indicated that has the desired high enough signal strength. When the display indicates **AF-D** the tuner has returned to the original station.

NOTE: If the front panel display indicates NOAF after the RDS/AF button is pressed once, no alternate stations with the same program actually are avilable (not yet searched). In this case press RDS/AF twice within 1 second to start the AF search.

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### Table 1: RDS Programme Type (PTY) Groups

DISPLAY PTY Button Numeric Group Button		PTY Display Data	Programme Type					
POP	1	РОР	Pop Music					
POP	2	ROCK	Rock Music					
EASY	3	MOR	Middle of the Road Music					
LAJI	4	LIGHT	Light Music					
	5	CLASSIC	Serious Classical Music					
CLASSIC	7	NEWS	News Broadcasts					
	8	AFFAIR	Political and Current					
	9	INFO	General information, financial and trading news, weather information					
INFO	10	SPORT	Sporting Events					
	11	EDUCATE	Scholastic and industrial education programmes					
	12	DRAMA	Plays and literature performances					
CULTURE	13	CULTURE	Culture, religion and community programmes					
	14	SCIENCE	Scientific and technical programmes					
0771177	15	OTHERS	Varied entertainment					
OTHER	6	OTHER	Other musical programmes: Jazz, Reggae, Rap, etc.					

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### On Screen Display

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### **On Screen Menus**

In addition to the information shown on the front panel display, it is also possible to obtain the unit's current status through the use of on screen video messages. The on screen menus may also be used to control many aspects of the receiver and to make adjustments and selections.

To activate the On Screen display system, press the SCREEN DISPLAY (D) button on the remote. This will cause a status summary display to be shown on the screen for five seconds. (Figure #5). Once the video displays are enabled, this status screen will also appear when the unit is turned on.

NOTE: In order to view the on screen menu displays the receiver's "S" Video jack TV Moni T must be connected to the standard, composite video input of a TV monitor or projector. The on screen displays are NOT visible via the "S" video output **U**.

The status screen displays the following information:

AUDIO SOURCE: This is the input currently selected for audio.

VIDEO SOURCE: This is the input currently selected for video.

**TAPEL OUT**: This is the source currently routed to the Tape 1 audio output for recording.

VCRL OUT: This is the source currently routed to the VCR 1 video output for recording.

MODE: This is the currently selected audio/surround mode.

MULTIROOM: This is the source currently selected for listening in remote room locations.

MASTER VOLUME: This is the current volume level. Note that volume appears as a horizontal scale. The "0dB" reference level is indicated by a solid block ■, if volume catches or exceeds it while volume levels below the current level are indicated by double vertical bars **II**.

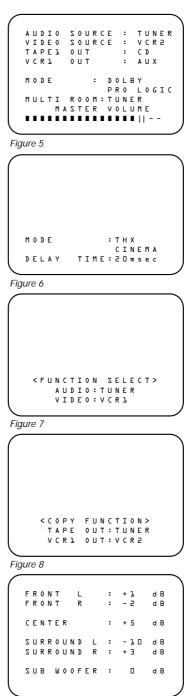
**Function Displays and Messages** 

Once the On Screen Displays have been activated, they appear when certain functions are performed from the front panel buttons or the remote control. These messages are three line displays with the current function shown on the top line and information about the selection or choice on the bottom two lines.

The following function/operation display screens are available:

#### Surround Mode and Delay

When the surround mode is changed or the delay timing is adjusted, this message will appear at the bottom of the video screen. The top line is the surround mode, the bottom line is the delay time for that mode. (Figure #6) Note that delay time will not be displayed in the MONAURAL, STEREO or DOLBY 3 STEREO modes, as these modes do not have rear channel information.



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### **Input Selection**

When the source input is changed, this message will appear (Figure #7). The top line is the audio input source, the bottom line is the video input source. Remember, when choosing an input, select the video source first, and then the audio source if a split input/simulcast listening session is desired. Note that when the **TAPE COPY** function is engaged, the **AUDIO SOURCE** is displayed in reverse video.

### **Tape Copy Input Selection**

When an input is selected for either TAPEL or VCRL record source by the front buttons 22 23, the choices appear as a message with the TAPE1 information on the top line and the VCR1 information on the bottom line. (Figure #8)

#### **Surround Output Levels**

To obtain a status screen with the outputs for each individual channel, press the SPEAKER button ② on the remote. A summary will appear for ten seconds. (Figure #9)

### **Master Volume**

When the volume is changed, a horizontal scale will briefly appear at the bottom of the screen with the volume level. (Figure #10)

#### Mute

When the unit is placed in audio mute, the word MUTE will appear in the upper right corner of the screen as a reminder that the volume has been cut. (Figure #11)

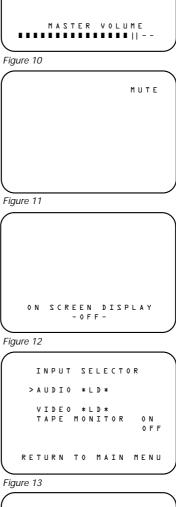
### **On Screen Display Function**

If you do not wish to have the on screen displays appear, press the SCREEN DISPLAY button O on the remote until  $\Diamond \ \Box \ \Diamond \ F$  appears on the display. A reminder message will appear on the screen for a few seconds (Figure #12), and the displays will then be canceled until they are once again activated.

NOTE: Additional display messages appear as a part of the Multiroom system. These are described in the portion of this manual dealing with that topic.

### Using The On Screen Menus for System Control

Besides conveying status messages, the on screen display system may also be used as a means of controlling the operation of the unit. To operate the control system, always start by pressing **SELECT** (B) on the remote to bring up the Main Menu. (Figure #1). Then, use the up/down navigational arrow keys  $\blacktriangle$  and  $\blacktriangledown$  Dto move the cursor. Press SELECT to choose a menu, and then use the left/right navigational arrow keys 
</ ▶ ⑦ to view the choices in that current option. Finally, when the desired choice appears, press **SELECT** (B) to enter the choice and return to the MAIN MENU. To exit from the Menu Control System, press  $\mathbf{\nabla}$   $\mathbf{\nabla}$  until the on screen > cursor is pointing to MENU OFF and press SELECT (1).



REC OUT SELECTOR >TAPE \*TUNER\* VCRl \*LD\* RETURN TO MAIN MENU

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The following functions of the AVR 80 may be controlled through the Menu Control System:

RECORDOUT SELECTION: After reaching the REC OUT SELECTOR menu (Figure #14) use the navigational arrow keys to select the record source for either TAPE Lor VCR L. Note that if the current main input SOURCE is chosen, two more lines will appear on the screen to remind you which audio and video sources are selected (Figure #15). The RECORDOUT SELECTION effects the same as the 'Copy' Pushbuttons 22 23 on the front panel. SURROUND MODE: After reaching the SURROUND MODE menu (Figure #16), use the navigational arrows () to select the desired mode. When a mode is selected that uses the surround channels, you may change the rear channel DELAY TIME at this menu.

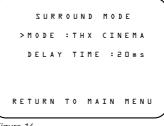
TEST TONE: At this menu you may adjust the speaker output levels. For information on this procedure, refer to the System Configuration section of this Manual, page 18.

MULTI-ROOM SEL: For information on configuring and using the multiroom audio functions of the AVR80, consult the appropriate section of this Manual, page 32.

SET UP MENU: For information on using the Set Up menus, refer to the System Configuration section of this Manual.



Figure 15



### Advanced Features

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In addition to basic audio functions, this receiver is capable of both sophisticated audio/video dubbing and a wide range of surround modes. Advanced digital signal processing provides specialized surround modes that are compatible with virtually all types of music software and movie soundtracks.

For the ultimate in sound reproduction, the AVR80 is equipped for digital input from laser disc or CD players with a coaxial digital output, so that the sound reaching the surround processor comes directly from the disc.

Finally, the AVR80 is prepared for the future with provisions for connection to outboard multi channel (AC-3 and DTS) digital audio decoders.

#### Audio Tape Copy

This receiver is equipped for connection to two audio recorders (TAPE 1 and TAPE 2) and two video recorders (VCR 1 and VCR 2).

For recordings to the audio tape deck or other devices connected to TAPE 1, record sources separate from the current source may be performed by pressing the TAPE 1 COPY button 22 on the front panel.

At the first press of the button, a status display will appear on both the front panel display and the on screen video menus (Figure #8) to remind you which input is being routed to the TAPE 1 outputs. If SOURCE is displayed as record input, the currently selected input is recorded to both TAPE 1 and TAPE 2. To record a source other than the current input, press the TAPE1 COPY button to change the TAPE1 record source in the following order:

SOURCE  $\rightarrow$  FM/AM TUNER  $\rightarrow$ CD  $\rightarrow$  TAPE 2  $\rightarrow$  SOURCE

NOTE: Fundamentally the control system is programmed to prevent recording from a machine onto itself. That's why TAPE 1 will not appear in the TAPE COPY selection list.

Press the button until the input you wish to record appears. You may now change the main listening input without fear of disturbing the recording as long as the unit's power remains on.

NOTE: It is not possible to select one of the video inputs (VCR 1, VCR 2, LD, AUX) as a direct recording source. To make an audio recording of these sources select one as the main input source, and then use the TAPE COPY button 22 to select SOURCE.

Input sources for being recorded to TAPE 1 may also be selected using the REC OUT SELECTOR of the on screen video menu system. Follow the instructions in this Manual, page 28.

#### Video Copy

Video Copy is similar to that for audio recording, with changes to accommodate the requirements of recording both an audio and video source. As with TAPE 1 recording it is important to note that the output to VCR 1 only is selected with the front panel switch. The output to VCR 2 is always set to the current input source. (Unless that Source is VCR 2, in which case the VCR 2 record output is blank.)



To select inputs for VCR dubbing use the VCR 1 COPY button 😰 on the front panel.

At the first press of the button, a status display will appear on both the front panel display and the on screen video menus (Figure #8) to remind you which input source is being routed to the VCR 1 output. If SOURCE is displayed, the currently selected source is recorded to both VCR 1 and VCR 2.

To record a source other than the current input, press the VCR1 COPY button again, and note that the display will change in the following order:

 $SOURCE \rightarrow VT \rightarrow LD \rightarrow VCR 2 \rightarrow AUX \rightarrow SOURCE$ 

Press the button until the input you wish to record appears. You may now change the main Audio/Video input without fear of disturbing the recording as long as the unit's power remains on.

Input sources for VCR1 COPY dubbing may also be made using the on screen video menu system.

#### Audio/Video Simulcast Recording

It is possible to record the video from one source along with the audio from a different input. This is useful in the case of musical programs where the sound is being broadcast via FM, or for sports events where you wish to have the picture from a TV station, but the play-by-play from a radio station.

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To re-synchronize the front and surround channels, follow these steps:

1. Measure the distance from the listening/viewing position to the front speakers (in meters).

2. Measure the distance from the listening/viewing position to the surround speakers.

3. Subtract the distance to the surround speakers from the distance to the front speakers and add 5. Multiply the result with 3, the resulting number is the ideal delay time (in ms) for your room. For example, if the front speakers are 7 m away and the surround speakers are 2 m away, the formula will be (7-2+5)x3 = 30. Thus, the correct delay time in this room would be 30 ms.

**NOTE:** The delay time may only be adjusted in certain modes.

If the delay time needs to be changed, it may be increased by pressing the DELAY button [2] (3) on the front panel. The delay time will be briefly displayed on the video menus as well as the front panel.

In addition to the use of the delay time formula, it is a good idea to understand the features of each of the AVR80's surround modes when entering delay time. The chart on a following page provides an explanation of the suggested for each mode. The chart also contains the delay time limits for each of the modes.

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### **Direct Digital Decoding**

The AVR 80's digital signal processing uses sophisticated microprocessors and advanced digital audio engines that manipulate sound in the digital domain. In order to work with sound, these circuits must first convert the incoming analog audio input to a digital signal. After processing, the digital audio signal must be converted back to analog for volume control and amplification.

While the digital to analog (D/A) and analog to digital (A/D) circuits in the AVR 80 are high quality, any time an audio signal is digitized or reconstructed to analog there is the possibility of quality loss. Thus the Direct Digital input of the AVR 80 helps you to avoid un-needed A/D and D/A conversion at least in Surround modes from any laser disc player equipped with a coaxial digital output.

If your player has this type of output, connect the LD player to the AVR 80 with a high quality digital interconnect (110 ohm cable with RCA plugs). The connection should be made to the LD DIGITAL IN jack **S** on the rear panel.

To create a simulcast recording first select the video source input (TV, LD, VCR2, AUX) using the input selection buttons on the remote control or front panel. **783** Next, select the audio source (FM/AM, CD or TAPE 2) 3 4 6 Note that the on screen menu display will show the split sources (Figure # 7). The front panel display will show the audio source in large letters in the main portion of the Information Display, while the video source will appear in smaller letters next to the VISUAL **1** indicator. Once the split source is configured, select SOURCE as the input for VCR1 by pressing the VCR1 COPY button 🗷 on front.

### **Delay Time Adjust**

One aspect of the surround modes is the delay of audio signals between the front speakers and the rear speakers. Each surround mode is factory preset with a specific delay time, but it is possible to individually adjust the delay timing to custom tailor the sound to your individual taste and the acoustic conditions in your listening room or home theater.

The factory setting is appropriate for most rooms, but some installations create an uncommon distance between the front and surround speakers that may cause the arrival of front channel sounds to become disconnected from surround channel sounds.

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Once this connection is made, the AVR 80 will accept the digital output directly from your LD or CD player, no matter if any Surround mode is selected or pure Stereo mode. To select the direct digital input, press the LD button **7 3** and hold it for three seconds. This means that audio signals will remain in their pure digital state until after all surround processing or after the (only) D/A conversion in Stereo mode has taken place.

NOTE: This connection is for standard two channel 44.1 kHz PCM digital audio, as provided by LD or CD machines. It is NOT an input for multichannel digital audio signals such AC-3 or DTS. Improper connection to the wrong type of digital output may cause damage to the AVR80 or other components in your audio system and are not covered by the AVR80 warranty. Consult your dealer or installer if you have any questions about this input.

### **6 Channel Direct Operation**

Since 1993, an increasing number of theatrical motion pictures have been recorded with digital sound tracks. With these new processes such as Dolby Surround Digital (AC-3), DTS® and Sony's SDDS®, five or more discrete sound channels are available along with a dedicated subwoofer channel for low frequency sounds. The replacement of analog matrix theatrical audio, such as Dolby Stereo with these new systems has greatly increased the enjoyment of movie sound. Advances in electronics technology now make it possible to bring these discrete digital audio soundtracks into your home. Many of today's new LD players and an increasing number of LD movie releases provide for Dolby AC-3 Digital soundtracks. In the future, high definition television (HDTV) broadcasts will also carry multichannel digital audio information.

To prevent your AVR 80 from obsolescence, special jacks are provided for use with external multichannel audio adapters.

If an adapter is installed in your system, connect its six analog audio outputs to the 6-CH DIRECT INPUT jacks **()** on the AVR80's rear panel.



When listening to programs using an external adapter, press the 6-CH DIRECT button **21** on the front panel. All surround processing will be disabled when 6 Channel Direct is in use, as none is required with discrete audio signals. Volume is controlled in the normal fashion.

NOTE: Audio reproduced from the 6 Channel Direct inputs may not be recorded via the AVR80.

### Surround Mode Chart

MODE	FEATURES	DELAY TIME RANGE		
DOLBY PRO LOGIC	Dolby Pro Logic is the standard mode for surround sound decoding. It uses information encoded in a two channel stereo recording to produce four distinct channels: Left, Center, Right and Surround. Use this mode for accurate reproduction of programs bearing the Dolby Surround, DTS Stereo, UltraStereo or other "Surround" logos. Surround encoded programs include videocassette and LD movies, TV and cable programs, radio programs and audio CDs. Dolby Pro Logic processing may also be used to provide a pleasing surround effect with some source material that does not carry surround encoding.	15 ms – 30 ms Initial Setting = 20 ms		
THX CINEMA	THX Cinema is a patented process developed by Lucasfilm Ltd. as an enhancement to surround processing. It includes additional enhancements that greatly improve the spectral and spatial realism of motion pictures that are recorded with the same usual surround encoding as for DOLBY PRO LOGIC. THX Cinema's exclusive processing is designed to overcome the differences in acoustics between movie theaters and home listening rooms so that movie sound tracks will sound the same way at home as they did in the mixing room where they were created.	15 ms – 30 ms Initial Setting = 20 ms		
DOLBY 3 STEREO	DLBY 3 STEREO Dolby 3 Stereo uses the information contained in a surround encoded or stereophonic program to create center channel information. In addition, the information that is normally sent to the rear channel surround speakers is carefully mixed in with the front left and right channels for increased realism. Use this mode when you have a center channel speaker, but no surround speakers.			
MOVIE SURROUND	Movie Surround uses decoding similar to Pro Logic, but it permits delay times up to 90 ms. Use this mode instead of Pro Logic or THX to experiment with surround times above 30 ms, or if the delay time formula suggests a larger time delay for your room.	10  ms - 90  ms Initial Setting = 20 ms		
HALL SURROUND	This mode is designed for use with stereo recordings. It provides a sound field effect that simulates the complex combination of direct and reflected sounds that create the rich reverberant atmosphere of a medium sized circular concert hall.	10 ms – 90 ms Initial Setting = 20 ms		
MATRIX SURROUND	This mode is designed for use with sports broadcasts, live concerts or other programs where the feeling of a wide surround effect is desired.	10 ms – 90 ms Initial Setting = 20 ms		
MONO	ONO This mode is intended for use with old music or movies, televisions shows and other programs that have only monaural sound track. All sound will be reproduced through the center channel speaker, if installed. If there is no center channel speaker, monaural sound is reproduced from the front left and right speakers.			
STEREO	This mode turns off all surround processing and presents the pure left and right channel presentation of two channel stereo programs.	No Surround Channels		

### Multiroom Operation

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The AVR 80 is unique among A/V receivers in that it is equipped to operate as the control center for a sophisticated multiroom operation with accessories as simple as a remote IR sensor or as sophisticated as a specialized external amplifier and a special version of the world-famous AudioAccess wall mounted keypad controls. Although some multiroom installations will require the services of a specially trained installer, it is possible for the average do it yourself hobbyist to install a simple remote room system. For additional information on using the AVR 80 in multiroom installations we suggest that you contact your dealer or custom installer.

### Installation

The key to remote room operation is to link the remote room to the AVR 80's location with wire for an infrared receiver and speakers or an amplifier.

#### IR Link

The remote room IR receiver should be connected to the AVR 80 via standard coaxial cable. Plug the IR connection cable into the mini jack inside the Multi area in the middle of the AVR 80's rear panel.

If other Harman Kardon compatible source equipment is part of the main room installation, the **REMOTE CONT. OUT** jack on the rear panel **O** should be connected to **IR** IN jack on the CD player or cassette deck. This will enable the remote room location to control source equipment functions as well as the remote room input and volume. NOTE: All remotely controlled components must be linked together in a daisy chain. Connect the IR OUT jack of one unit to the IR IN of the next to establish this chain.

#### Audio Link

Depending on the distance from the AVR 80 to the remote room, two options are available.

The preferred method is to run high quality, shielded audio interconnect cable from the AVR80's location to the remote room. At the remote room, connect the interconnect cable to a stereo power amplifier. The amplifier will be connected to the room's speakers. No volume control is required, as the AVR80 and the remote IR link will provide that function. At the AVR80, plug the audio interconnect cable into the MULTI OUT jacks () at the top left corner of the AVR 80's rear panel.

**NOTE:** The remote power amplifier must have signal sensing capability or be left on constantly to assure automatic operation at the remote room.



As an alternative, the amplifier may be placed at the same location as the AVR 80, with a standard audio interconnect between the two. Speaker wires should then be run to the remote room. High quality AWG-12 speaker wire is preferred.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Any cables run inside walls should carry safety certification that is required by the local building and electrical codes. To avoid interference, audio and speaker cables should not be parallel to, or in the same conduits with AC cables. If you have any questions about multi-room wiring consult your dealer, custom installer or electrician.

#### Set-up

Once the equipment connections have been made, the AVR 80 needs to be configured for multiroom operation by following these steps:

1. Press the SELECT 
 to bring the MAIN MENU to the screen (Figure #1). Press the ▼ button four times until the on screen > cursor is pointing to MULTI ROOM SEL and press SELECT 
 To tideo screen will move to the MULTI ROOM SELECTOR menu (Figure #17).

2. Press the ▶ button ⑦ until the desired input source for the multi room system is selected.

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3. When the source is selected, press the ▼ button until the > cursor is next to RETURN TO MAIN MENU. Press SELECT.

4. At the MAIN MENU, press the ▼ button once so that the > cursor is pointing to SET UP MENU. Press SELECT.

5. This will bring SET UP MENU L (Figure #2) to the screen. Press the ▼ button twice until the > cursor is pointing to GO TO SET UP MENU 2. Press SELECT.

6. When SET UP MENU 2 (Figure #3) appears, the > cursor will be pointing to MULTI RM VOL. Use the ◀ or ▶ buttons ⑦ on the remote to select one of the following choices.

a. If the remote room is equipped with a remote receiver only, volume control will be performed by the AVR 80 using a remote control in the second room. For this type of control, select the VARIABLE option.

b. If the volume control in the remote room will be controlled by the amplifier in the remote room, or if a specialized amplifier such as the AudioAccess AVX-603 will be used, select FIXED.

7. After making a selection, press the  $\checkmark$  button once so that the > cursor is next to SET LEVEL.

8. Use the  $\triangleleft$  or  $\triangleright$  buttons  $\bigcirc$  on the remote to establish a volume level for turn on or constant level, as determined by the previous selection.

a. If VARIABLE volume has been selected, this setting will determine the volume level for the remote room each time it is turned on.

b. If FIXED volume has been selected, this level will be the constant volume level at the remote room location unless a local volume control is installed. Set the level as close to "0dB" as possible without distorting the output signal.

9. When the level has been entered, press the ♥ button so that the > cursor is pointing to RETURN TO MAIN MENU and press SELECT.

10. At the MAIN MENU, use the navigational arrow buttons on the remote to exit from the main system.

The AVR80 is now configured for multi room operation.

### Operation

Multi room operation is simple, and it may be controlled from either the main listening room where the AVR80 is located, or from a remote room where an IR receiver or AudioAccess keypad has been installed.

### **Main Room Operation**

In this option, the remote room feed is controlled from the main listening room using the AVR80's front panel controls.



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MULTI ROOM SELECTOR > SELECTED: TUNER TV CD LD TAPEL VCRL OFF TAPE2 VCR2 AUX RETURN TO MAIN MENU

Figure 17

TURN MULTI-ZONE OFF? USERS MAY BE LISTENING IN OTHER ROOMS PRESS AGAIN TO PROCEED OR "CLEAR" TO CANCEL

### Multiroom Operation

To activate the remote room feed, press the MULTI button on the front panel **9**. This will send the signal of the AVR80's currently selected input source to the remote room at the volume level established in SET UP MENU 2.

The MULT I indicator on the front panel display ① will flash to indicate that the multiroom system is turned on in the variable mode, and that Source Linking is in effect. With Source Link, any change to the AVR80's input selection will also change the feed to the remote room locations. If the input source is changed from the remote room, the MULT I indicator will remain lit, but stop flashing.

If the AVR 80 is turned off in the main listening room, the feed to the remote room will continue, although the MULTI indicator will now remain constantly illuminated.

To turn off the feed to the remote room either while the AVR 80 is still on, or after it is turned off, press the MULTI button on the front panel. If the MULTI button is pressed while the AVR 80 is still on and the on screen video system is engaged, a warning message will appear on the video display (Figure #18) to remind you that people may still be listening to the system in the remote room location.

### **Remote Room Operation**

In this option, the remote room feed is controlled by the use of an AVR80 compatible remote control. The remote commands must be transmitted to the AVR80 via a coaxial link connected to the MULTI input on the AVR80's rear panel.

Using the remote control in the second room press the **POWER ON** button to turn on the remote room feed. This will activate the multi room portion of the AVR 80 whether or not it may be on in the main listening room.

The initial feed to the remote room will be the last station selected by the tuner. Any other AVR80 input source may subsequently be selected using the source buttons on the remote control.

The initial volume at the remote room will be the level established using the options in SET UP MENU 2.

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If IR connections have been made to the source playback equipment, it is also possible to control the functions of those units via the second room remote. Consult with your dealer or custom installer for additional information on this type of installation.

When the remote room is controlling the AVR 80 via the IR link, the MULTI indicator on the AVR 80's front panel will remain constantly lit.

NOTE: Whenever the AVR80 is in a multiroom mode, the MULTI indicator will flash briefly whenever a command is transmitted by the remote room location and received by the AVR80.

The AVR80 may also be remoted by a keypad (from Audio Access). Therefore connect the keypad interface to jack **P** on the AVR80's rear side.

## Troubleshooting

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### **Troubleshooting Chart**

SYMPTOM .	CAUSE	<ul> <li>SOLUTION</li> <li>Make certain AC power cord is plugged into a live outlet.</li> <li>Check to see if outlet is switch controlled.</li> </ul>			
No front panel lights when power switch is pressed	• No AC Power				
Display lights, but no sound or picture	• Intermittent input connections	• Make certain that all input and speaker connections are secure.			
	• MUTE is on	• Press MUTE button.			
	<ul> <li>Volume control is down</li> </ul>	• Turn up volume control.			
No sound from surround or center speakers	• Incorrect surround mode	<ul> <li>Select a mode other than Dolby 3 Stereo, Stereo or Monaural.</li> </ul>			
	• Input is monaural	• There is no surround information from mono sources.			
	<ul> <li>Incorrect configuration</li> </ul>	• Check configuration in SET UP MENUL •			
No On Screen Control Menus	• TV input is "S" Video	• Change TV input to Composite Video. The menus are available ONLY on Composite Video.			
Unit does not respond to remote commands	<ul> <li>Weak batteries in remote</li> <li>Remote is in LEARN position</li> <li>Remote sensor is obscured</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Change remote batteries.</li> <li>Slide USE/LEARN switch to USE.</li> <li>Make certain front panel sensor is visible to remote.</li> </ul>			
Intermittent buzzing in tuner	Local interference	<ul> <li>Move unit or antenna away from computers, fluorescent lights, TVs, motors or other electrical appliances.</li> </ul>			

### **Memory Backup**

This product is equipped with a memory backup system that preserves tuner presets and system configuration information if the unit is accidentally unplugged or subject to a power outage. This memory will last for approximately one week, after which time all information must be re-entered.

### System Reset

In the rare case where the unit's operation or the displays seem abnormal,

the cause may involve the erratic operation of the system's memory or microprocessor.

To correct this problem, first unplug the unit from the AC wall outlet and wait at least three minutes. After the pause, reconnect the AC power cord and check the unit's operation. If the system still malfunctions, a system reset may clear the problem.

To clear the system's memory, press and hold the MEMO 22 and CLEAR 25



buttons at the same time for a few seconds. After clearing the memory it will be necessary to re-establish all system configuration information and tuner presets.

If the system is still operating incorrectly, there may have been an electrostatic discharge or severe AC line interference that has corrupted the memory or microprocessor.

If a reset does not solve the problem, consult an authorized Harman Kardon service depot.



### **Technical Specifications**

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#### **Audio Section FM Tuner Section** Stereo Mode **Frequency Range** 87.5-108.0MHz Continuous Average Power (FTC) **Usable Sensitivity** IHF 1.3 µV/13.5dBf Signal to Noise Ratio Mono/Stereo 76/68dB 95 Watts per channel 20Hz-20kHz: Distortion Mono/Stereo 0.2/0.5% @ < 0.09% THD, both channels driven into 8 Ohms **Stereo Separation** 1 kHz 40dB Five Channel Surround Mode Alternate Channel Continuous average power per channel (FTC) Selectivity (±300kHz) 55dB Image Rejection 98MHz: 70dB Front L&R channels: 85 Watts per channel from 20Hz-20KHz, @ < 0.15% THD, both channels driven into 8 Ohms **AM Tuner Section** Center channel: **Frequency Range** 531-1602 / 152-282kHz 85 Watts from 20Hz-20kHz, Signal-to-Noise Ratio 50dB @ < 0.15% THD, driven into 8 Ohms **Usable Sensitivity** Loop: 500µV (MW) / 1500µV (LW) Distortion 1kHz, 30% Mod: 0.5% Surround channels: 60 Watts per channel from 40Hz-20kHz, Selectivity ±18kHz 70dB @ < 0.15% THD, both channels driven into 8 Ohms Input Sensitivity/Impedance **Video Section** Linear 220mV/50 Kohms **Television Format** PAL, NTSC, SECAM Front Main In 1.5 V/20 Kohms Input Level/Impedance 1Vp-p/75ohms Center Main In 1.5 V/20 Kohms Output Level/Impedance 1Vp-p/75ohms Surround Main In 1.0 V/20 Kohms Video Frequency Response 10Hz to 8MHz (-3dB) S/N 65dB Signal to Noise Rate (IHF-A) Linear 95 dB **Dolby Surround** General 40dB **Channel Separation** AC 230V 50Hz **Power Requirement** Frequency Response **Power Consumption** 54W idle, 700W maximum 7Hz-80kHz @ 1W (+0, -3dB) Dimension (Max) **High Instantaneous** 440 mm (17.4 inches) Width Current Capability (HCC) $\pm 30 \text{ amps}$ Height 160 mm (6.4 inches) Depth 459 mm (18 inches) Transient Intermodulation Weight 15 kg (31 lbs.) Distortion (TIM) Unmeasurable **Rise** Time 16µsec All features and specifications are subject to change without notice. Slew Rate 40 V/µsec Manufactured under license from Dolby Laboratories Licensing Corporation. Additionally licensed under Canadian patent number 1,037,877. "Dolby," "Pro Logic." the double-D symbol and "AC-3" are registered trademarks of Dolby Laboratories Licensing Corporation. Manufactured under license from Lucasfilm Ltd. U.S. patent numbers 5,043,970; 5,189,703; and 5,222,059. Foreign patents pending. THX and Home THX are registered trademarks of

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