

RLC Basic Service & Troubleshooting

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RLC Basic Service & Troubleshooting Samsung Mini-split Technology **Basic Component Acronyms** BLDC – Brushless Digitally Commutated, referring to the Samsung inverter rotary compressor and fan motors EEPROM - Electrically Erasable Programmable Read-only non-volatile Memory device used to store data information to control another device. Data can be erased and reflashed (programmed) with new control data EEV - Electronic Expansion Valve is a digitally pulsed, motor (coil) driven expansion valve regulating the flow of refrigerant through a heat exchanger coil EMI – Line voltage filter IDU – Indoor Unit IGBT - Insulated-gate Bipolar Transistor (Inverter component) INV - Refers to prefix for Inverter PCB or inverter compressor (inverter driven compressor) IPM - Intelligent Power Module MCA – Minimum Circuit Amps MFA – Maximum Fuse Amps (breaker) ODU – Outdoor Unit **OLP** – Overload Prevention PCB – Printed circuit board (also PBA) PFC – Power Factor Correction (Refers to a capacitor) SMPS - Switched Mode Power Supply (IDU & ODU) - Rectifier: converts ac voltage to dc voltage Slide 6



































	RLC Basic System Components										
	Outdoor Unit PCBs – FJM AJ020 & AJ024										
		5	1 2 3 5 6 7 8	E E Sensor(Main-S EE	EV A EV B EV C (OLP/Cond) Outdoor/dis) Fan sub Comm. PROM	9 10 11 12 13 14 15	Download(Main) Main-Sub Comm.(Display) S-net Main-Sub Comm.(Display) F1,F2 Download(Inverter) 4Way valve				
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3	Download(for AS-Pro)	9	Dip Switch	h				Main PCB			
4	4 EVD 10 Rotary Switch										
5	Pipe OUT Sensor	11	Display								
6	Main-Sub Comm.	12	Tact Switcl	h							
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Check both sides of wire on the connector after disassembling

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Basic System Troubleshooting										
3 rd Step – PCB										
Step	Procedure	The things to be checked	Cause							
1 -	-First, plug out the power plug - Pull the PCB out of control box	-Check If the both fuses on PCB are open	-Over Current -Indoor fan motor short -PCB pattern short							
2 -	-If the operating lamp is twinkling, supply power and then check right sides	-Input voltage of BD71 · Normal : 200 ~ 240Vac	-Fuse open, Wrong power cable connection, AC part is out of order							
		-The voltage of between both terminal of C111(+) and (-) · Normal : 12Vdc	- Switching Trans of Power Circuit is out of order							
		- The voltage of between both terminal of C118(+) and (-) · Normal : 5Vdc	-Power Circuit is out of order -Load short							
3 -	-Turn on the unit with fan RPM high & minimum setting temperature and check right sides	-The voltage between terminal #1 ~ #3 of fan motor connector(CN72) · Normal : More than DC 270V	-Fan motor is out of order							
		-The fan motor is not running	-Fan motor connector(CN72) is out of order or -Wire of fan motor is disconnected							
		-If the voltage between terminal #1 ~ #3 of fan motor connector(CN72) is zero volts	-PCB is out of order							

RLC Basic Service & Troubleshooting
Is the connected of reactor wire' IPBA-Reactor VES Restart after power off. Start the operation (cooling mode or heating mode Troubleshooting Error Codes Votage(F) is normal mode Votage(F) is
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Troubleshooting Error Codes										
RLC Error Code List										
Error Description No. of Error to stop ODU Error IDU Other IDUs										
121	Room temperature sensor is short/open	0	Normal	Stop	Normal					
122	Evaporator In temperature sensor is open/short	0	Normal	Stop	Normal					
123	Evaporator out temperature sensor is open/short	0	Normal	Stop	Normal					
128	Evaporator in temperature sensor is detached	1	Stop(R)	Stop	Stop					
129	Evaporator out temperature sensor is detached	1	Stop(R)	Stop	Stop					
153	Float switch error - second detection	1	Normal	Stop	Normal					
154	Indoor unit fan motor error	0	Normal	Stop	Normal					
161	Mixed mode operation error (simultaneous cooing & heating)	1	Normal	Stop	Normal					
162	Error in outdoor unit's EEPROM	0	Normal	Stop	Normal					
163	Indoor unit option code is incorrect or missing Outdoor unit EEPROM data error	0	Normal	Stop	Normal					
171	Evaporator mid sensor is detached	1	Stop(R)	Stop	Stop					
172	Pipe in sensor is detached	1	Stop(R)	Stop	Stop					
173	Pipe out sensor is detached	1	Stop(R)	Stop	Stop					
186	SPI (Virus doctor) feedback error	1	Normal	Normal	Normal					
190	Pipe check failure	1	Stop	Stop	Stop					
199	Pipe check not initiated	1	Stop	Stop	Stop					

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RLC Error Code List

Error	Description	No. of Error to stop	ODU	Error IDU	Other IDUs
201	Indoor unit quantity error - FJM	1	Stop	Stop	Stop
202	Communication error between outdoor unit and indoor units - FJM (while normal operating)	1	Stop	Stop	Stop
203	Communication error between ODU MAIN PCB and INVERTER PCB	1	Stop	Stop	Stop
206	Communication error between ODU MAIN PCB and HUB PCB	1	Stop	Stop	Stop
221	Ambient temperature sensor in the outdoor unit is open/short. ERROR LEVEL: over 4.9V (-50°C, -58°F), under 0.4V (93°C, 199.4 °F)	1	Stop	Stop	Stop
237	Condenser out sensor is OPEN/SHORT ERROR LEVEL: over 4.9V (-50°C, -58°F), under 0.4V (93°C, 199.4°F)	1	Stop	Stop	Stop
246	Condenser out sensor is detached	1	Stop(R)	Stop	Stop
251	Comp1 Discharge sensor OPEN/SHORT ERROR LEVEL: over 4.9V (-30°C, -22°F), under 0.4V (151°C, 308°F) & ambient temperature > -10°C (14°F).	1	Stop	Stop	Stop
261	Compressor discharge sensor is detached	1	Stop(R)	Stop	Stop

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RLC Error Code List									
Error	Description	No. of Error to stop	ODU	Error IDU	Other IDUs				
320	OLP sensor is open/short ERROR LEVEL: over 4.95V (-30°C), under 0.5V (151°C)	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
330	Hub in 1 sensor is open/short	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
331	Hub in 2 sensor is open/short	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
332	Hub in 3 sensor is open/short	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
333	Hub in 4 sensor is open/short	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
334	Hub in 5 sensor is open/short	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
335	Hub out 1 sensor is open/short	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
336	Hub out 2 sensor is open/short	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
337	Hub out 3 sensor is open/short	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
338	Hub out 4 sensor is open/short	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
339	Hub out 5 sensor is open/short	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
401	Compressor trip by freezing protection	0	Stop	Normal	Normal				
404	Compressor trip by overload protection	3	Stop	Normal	Normal				
416	Compressor trip by discharge temperature protection	3	Stop	Normal	Normal				
419	Outdoor unit's EEV opening failure error (EEV is blocked)	1	Stop(R)	Stop	Stop				
422	Outdoor unit's EEV closing failure error (EEV is leaking)	1	Stop(R)	Stop	Stop				
440	Heating start restriction due to high ambient temperature over 86°F	0	Stop	Normal	Normal				
441	Cooling start restriction due to low ambient temperature under 14°F	0	Stop	Normal	Normal				
458	Outdoor fan motor error	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				

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Error	Description	No. of Error to stop	ODU	Error IDU	Other IDUs				
461	Compressor starting failure (5 times)	5	Stop	Normal	Normal				
462	Compressor trip by current protection control	3	Stop	Normal	Normal				
463	Compressor trip by OLP temperature protection	3	Stop	Normal	Normal				
464	IPM over-current	9	Stop	Normal	Normal				
465	Over current error in Inverter compressor(Over 30A)	9	Stop	Normal	Normal				
466	Voltage in DC Link is below 150V or over 410V in inverter PBA	0	Stop	Normal	Normal				
467	Abnormal RPM or wire is disconnected in inverter compressor	3	Stop	Normal	Normal				
468	Current sensor error (Open / Short)	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
469	DC voltage sensor error (Open / Short)	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
470	Outdoor unit EEPROM Error	1	Stop(R)	Stop	Stop				
472	Inverter micom zero-crossing error	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
473	Inverter compressor lock error	3	Stop	Normal	Normal				
474	Inverter IPM heat sink sensor error (Open / Short)	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
475	Inverter fan 2 error	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
483	Error due to over current	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
484	PFC overload(over current) error	0	Stop	Normal	Normal				
485	Inverter 1 input current sensor error (Open / Short)	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				
486	Error due to over voltage/low voltage of fan motor	3	Stop	Normal	Normal				
500	Inverter 1 IPM overheat error	9	Stop	Normal	Normal				
554	Refrigerant leak error	1	Stop(R)	Stop	Stop				
660	Inverter boot code error	1	Stop	Stop	Stop				





Troubleshooting Error Codes
Most Common RLC Error Codes
 E101 – Indoor unit communication error. Indoor unit cannot receive any data from outdoor unit. E121 – Room TH sensor error E153 – Indoor float switch error. E154 – Indoor unit fan motor error. E190 – Pipe check failure E199 – Pipe check not initiated. (usually happens on new installs when unit is first powered on.) E201 – Indoor unit quantity error. Settings on outdoor PCB wrong or duplicate address. E203 – Communication error of ODU main & inverter PCB's E320 – OLP (Over Load Protector) open or short E416 – Compressor stop due to high discharge pressure E458 – Outdoor fan motor error E461 – Compressor failure to start E464 – IPM over current E467 – Compressor rotation error. Abnormal compressor operation E470 – ODU PCB EEPROM error
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Troubleshooting Error Codes								
E101 – IDU communication error								
 Check the incoming ac voltage : 208/230vac ± 10% Step down transformer is recommended If supply voltage is above 245vac Make sure communication control wire is 16/2 AWG stranded with shield Solid core thermostat wire is not to be used for communications Verify the control wire shield is grounded at the outdoor unit only Make sure the unit is wired in proper polarity (F1 to F1, F2 to F2, etc.) The control wire must not be run in the same conduit as ac voltage wiring Control wire must be run with at least a 2" air gap from conduit with ac voltage wiring Control wire must be run with no splices or junction boxes Must be a continuous run from indoor to outdoor unit Are there any condensate pumps on system that are tied into F1 and F2? The F1 F2 communication circuit cannot be broken (switched) or spliced Are there any breaks in the control wires? (Connect ends and Ohm out) Try option coding the indoor unit 								
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Troubleshooting Error Codes											
E154 – IDU fan motor error cont.											
Indoor display											
	3-LED DISPLAY	7-S	EG DISPLAY	DESCRIPTION							
LED1	LED2 O	LED3	E154	Indoor fan error							
• LED ON	© LED BLINKING (D LED OFF									
 Checklist : Sthe indoor units fan motor properly connected with the connector(CN72)? Is the AC voltage correct? 											
CN 72	2) Is the AC voltage correct?										
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Troubleshooting Error Codes

E199 – Pipe Check Not Initiated - FJM

This error code is most typical on initial power up. You should only see this code on the **FJM** series. If none of the dip switches on the outdoor unit are changed from factory. You should see this code on the outdoor unit once power is applied. Set the rotary dial to the number of indoor units you have and then press the **K1** button one time to initiate the pipe check operation on the system. You will see what looks like a sideways "T" and a five on the left hand screen. This is showing you the system is going through its pipe check. If it fails you will get an error code. This process can last up to an hour depending on the amount of units connected to the system. Once tracking is complete it will flash through the addresses on the left hand screen.











Troubleshooting Error Codes								
E320 – Over Load Protector Open/Short (OLP)								
This error pertains to the outdoor unit OLP (Over Load Protector) sensor.		818 777 55 CN403 44 189111 22 1						
Does the system run or does the error code appear right away?	TEMP. ('F)	MAX (kΩ)	CENTER (kΩ)	Min (kΩ)				
 If it appears right away, locate the sensor plug designation and ohm the sensor at 	32	563.1	553.50	515.2				
77°F This is a 200KΩ sensor – refer to chart	41	476.1	446.20	417.1				
If sensor is out of range replace.	50	385.1	362.40	340.2				
If sensor is within range reseat connection and test. If error occurs again replace	59	312.6	295.40	278.5				
outdoor PCB	68	256.6	242.50	229.5				
 If system runs before error, check running pressure. Over or under charge could cause this error. 	77	210	200.00	190.0				
Make sure outdoor fan motor is running	86	174.6	165.70	156.8				
 Make sure coil is clean. 	95	145.8	137.80	130.0				
If in heat mode make sure indoor fan is coming on and air filter is clean.	104	122.5	115.40	108.4				
If not refer to E154 troubleshooting	113	103.3	96.95	90.8				
Make sure there is no obstructions in front of indoor or outdoor units.	122	87.87	81.92	76.5				
Check the discharge sensor	131	74.47	69.44	64.6				
	140	63.65	59.16	54.9				
	149	54.55	50.54	46.7				
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Troubleshooting Error Codes												
E416 – Compressor stop – high discharge temperature												
This error is protection for the compressor when discharge temperature is too high.												
Does the system full before getting this error?	32	563.1	553.5	515.2								
If error appears right away	41	476.1	446.2	417.1								
Locate the sensor plug designation and ohm sensor. This is a	50	385.1	362.4	340.2								
200 K Ω sensor at 77°F. (Use chart)	59	312.6	295.4	278.5								
 If sensor is out of range replace. 	68	256.6	242.5	229.5								
 If sensor is within range reseat connection and test. If error 	77	210.0	200.0	190.0								
occurs again replace outdoor PCB	86	174.6	165.7	156.8								
	95	145.8	137.8	130.0								
If system runs before error	104	122.5	115.4	108.4								
Check running pressure. Over or under charge could cause this. Verify outdoor fan meter is running.	113	103.3	96.95	90.78								
 Wake sure coil is clean. 	122	87.87	81.92	76.45								
 If in heat mode make sure indoor fan is coming on and filter is clean. 	131	74.47	69.44	64.59								
(If not refer to E154 troubleshooting)	140	63.65	59.16	54.85								
Make sure there is no obstructions in front of indoor or outdoor units.	149	54.55	50.54	46.71								

Troubleshooting Error Codes							
E458 – ODU BLDC fan error							
Indoor display							
	3-LED DISPLAY		7-SEG DISPLAY	DESCRIPTION]		
LED1	LED2	LED3	- F458	Outdoor fan error	1		
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Outdoor display	/				_		
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Check for obstacl	es or locked fan	PF Model:	Check Connector Check Connector Carteria Carteria Check Connector Check Connector Check Connector	PF3(Platform3) Model : 24k Btu/h			
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Troubleshooting Error Codes E461 – Compressor failure to start Check compressor malfunction with VOM tester or a Megohmmeter Switch the power off to the ODU and wait at least 15 minutes Remove compressor wires from terminal block Use the VOM to check compressor winding resistance on all three phases Fail: 0Ω or over 2Ω Use a Megohmmeter to measure the winding insulation resistance Fail: Less than 1MΩ from wire terminal U – V – W to chassis **Resistance test** Normal range Resistance value of $(U \leftrightarrow V, V \leftrightarrow W, W \leftrightarrow U)$ less than 2Ω on compressor Compressor winding insulation test >1MΩ Slide 79















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