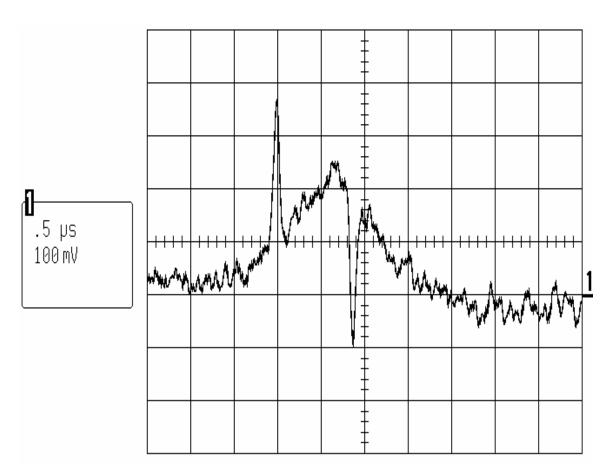
## **Drawings**



To examine the dependence of the measured MR mass spin-valve signal on DC erase polarity, the two wires connected to the write transducer were disconnected, and re-attached to the head paddle board for the opposite polarity to be applied to the write element during erasure.

Figure 114 shows the results at one erase polarity.

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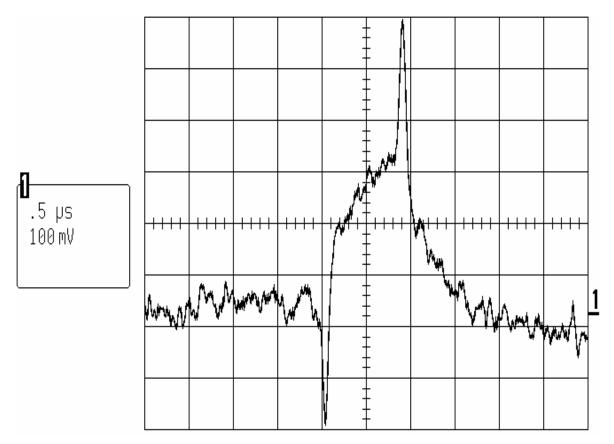


Figure 115 shows at the opposite erase polarity the two MR modulation read back signals corresponding to the switch in the electro-magnetic field's direction produced by the edges of the falling and rising edges of the pit induced by a micro-fabricated defect is dependent on the polarity of DC erase on the MR media; but the MR mass spin-valve signal (i.e., the force field's direction) is independent of the polarity of DC erase.

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