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Editorial

That's A Good Idea

Before we're going to get the utmost reliability an optimized design, or even a preferred circuit we have to explore all ideas on these subjects. Passing along ideas which you can use now, practical tested ones, has been ELECTRONIC DESIGN'S business since Vol. 1, No. 1 five years ago. We have tried hard not to hide these ideas "under a bushel" of trivia.

Of the wealth of material produced by a prolife industry, we have tried to select that which will de the most good for the most design engineers. You acceptance and response to our efforts has steadily increased our advertising income. We're plowing back dividends to give you still more ideas-in a efficient, readable way. Last year we expanded our Russian translations, expanded our survey of re search and development reports, instituted transla tions of good design ideas from Germany, an started a department covering production equip ment which affects the way a product is designed These are all departments which give us thoroug coverage. Our features naturally expanded to cov more, more often. This year and this issue see three new expanded services to readers. First (these is "Ideas for Design" to appear on a regula basis.

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Include with your entry, photos, or drawing preferably inked diagrams made with mechanic aids; name; and company affiliation.

Other innovations beginning in this issue inclu "Services for Designers," which announces new TVO cilities such as plating, computing, testing, that a available to designers, and Meeting Programs. help readers evaluate all the meetings that are ing on, we plan to publish details on papers th 525 are of special interest to design engineers.-JAL anal

Engineering Review

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Immediate comparative data of chemical activity within normal and cancer cells is provided by an ultraviolet closed circuit system. Used with a highpower microscope and an electronic oscilloscope the ultraviolet-sensitive system permits direct observations and oscillographic measurements of the metabolism of living cells.

Developed by RCA, Commercial Electronic Products, Camden, N.J., the system is now under test at the National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Md. Dr. George Z. Williams, Chief of the NHI Pathology Department, reports that the ultraviolet TV camera

tube sees more than the eye can discern when living cells are illuminated with visible light. Ultraviolet rays are absorbed in specific and measurable quantities by different chemicals. This characteristic enables the medical researcher to: a) identify the nature and scope of several cellular chemical substances by exposing the cell to ultraviolet light and measuring the absorption ratio;

b) introduce foreign chemicals and study their reaction with the cell's normal chemicals and, c) by ultraviolet exposure, to maintain serial studies of disease-suspected cells and tissues and detect and identify chemical changes which may develop. e abou

"Heretofore," Dr. Williams pointed out, "the study and observation of ultraviolet-treated specimens represented a long and laborious process due to the lack of a practical medium for direct obser-

vation. The ultraviolet TV camera tube developed by RCA makes practical "seeing" ultraviolet pictures by television."

The ultraviolet absorption image, viewed by the TV camera through a microscope, is converted to an electronic signal by the ultraviolet camera tube. The signal is amplified and then viewed on the screen of the TV monitor, a few feet away. Any one of the 525 horizontal scanning lines can be selected and .-JAL analyzed by a special oscilloscope, which produces a tracing of the absorption characteristics.

Electric Watch-Miniature Marvel

Wire five times finer than human hair, a power supply the size of a shirt button, permanent magnets smaller in diameter than the metal in an ordinary paper clip, screws barely visible to the human eye-80,000 would weigh one ounce-all combine to make the world's first electric wrist watch a marvel of miniaturization. X.

No larger than a conventional wrist watch, it offers the highest accuracy and dependability ever achieved (99.995 per cent), according to the Hamilton Watch Company of Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The watch will retail from \$89.50 to \$150.00. A tiny battery used to power the unit was developed by the National Carbon Company. It will power the watch for at least 12 months and replacements cost less than \$2.00.

A sub-miniature d-c motor acts as both a motor and a balance wheel. Thus the balance wheel not only controls the time (the same thing it does in conventional watches) but, in addition, it supplies the power to keep itself in motion and to turn the hands-basically the only thing a watch need do. Each time the coil on the balance wheel moves in one direction past a pair of magnets fixed in the pillar plate, the balance wheel itself closes a little switch to send a pulse of current through the coil. The magnetic field generated by that current reacts with the magnetic field from the permanent magnets to kick the balance wheel along its way. This gives it the energy necessary to keep running and also the extra energy needed to permit it to serve as a motor running the rest of the mechanism.

The motor has an efficiency of 60 per cent-ten times greater than available motors of similar size. This efficiency is particularly good when you consider that it must run continuously for a minimum of twelve months. The drag of the brushes in the motor must be reduced almost to zero, but never quite reach it.

The Electronic Industry is becoming more and more dependent on the miniaturization of all types of devices. Technical know-how obtained by the Hamilton Company in perfecting this watch should be an aid to the entire industry.



Electric watch (right) has energizer top center which replaces mainspring; manual watch (left).



Held by tweezers is the combination balance wheel and DC motor which powers the watch.

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Dr. John P. Hagen, Director of Project Vanguard, is shown with a Full-Scale Cutaway Model of the Earth Satellite.

Satellite Computer Center

Dr. Herget, Director of Cincinnati Observatory and Professor of Astronomy at the University of Cincinnati, has been appointed by the Navy Department to head the staff of the VANGUARD Computer Center, Washington, D.C.

The VANGUARD IBM 704 computing facility will be directly connected by Teletype and telephone with the Project VANGUARD Communications Center. Following the launching of the satellite, the Computation Center will go into action on a "round-the-clock" basis. Data from a number of radio tracking stations in various parts of the world will be used to calculate the satellites orbit. Each set of data will consist of two angles defining the direction of the satellite and the times of measurement determined by tracking station observers.

The VANGUARD Communications Center also will process information received from unofficial tracking stations and optical observation points throughout the world and turn this data over to the Computation Center for calculation.

No False Alarms

When fire breaks out in an aircraft engine space, it must be detected and quenched within seconds to avoid serious damage or possible loss of life. Too often in the past, frequent false alarms have undermined the airman's confidence in his fire detector, causing him to hesitate or neglect to take action when an alarm sounded.

To provide design specifications for reliable, fastacting fire detectors, the National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D.C., has been studying flame characteristics that might be applied to aircraft fire detection systems. Results of this work indicate that reliability could be greately increased by a system

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two dozen newly created, colorful displays to how the vital significance of mathematics in our modern world were recently put on exhibit by the aternational Business Machines Corporation at the Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago, Illinois. By dramatizing the fascinating and active part f numbers in our ordinary daily lives as well as in omplex business and scientific operations, the disays encourage the study of mathematics.

One of the most exciting features of the exhibit the cycloramic staging of PROJECT SAGE, the ation's electronic air defense system. The three imensional display and film shows how informaion is relayed from early warning radar stations nd ground observer corps to Air Defense Comnand Certers. At these Centers, the SAGE comuter, calculates the speed, course, and altitude of he approaching enemy planes in a millionth of a cond. Within minutes, jet interceptors, NIKE ussiles, and coastal anti-aircraft batteries go into efensive action with exact knowledge of where he enemy is, where he is headed, and when he er of will reach the point of interception. vorld

Hanging models of an earth satellite and a eodesic sphere are exhibited as examples of g the cientific developments involving the use of mathesurenatics. The sphere illustrates the theory of geoesic, or self-bracing, curved construction, by also which man may some day be able to build a huge fficial tent" around portions of the earth's surface and points ontrol the atmosphere in which he lives. o the



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Loudspeaker Bomb

A bomb-like loudspeaker system which is dropped from high-flying airplanes and delivers a three to five minute message to anyone within a half-mile area is one of the newer weapons of the Wright Air Development Center at Dayton. Heart of the system is a lightweight magnetic tape unit and a 500-watt battery-powered amplifier.

Descending on a 66-foot chute, the equipment begins broadcasting its recorded message at 4000 feet while dropping at about 14 feet a second over its "captive" audience.

The system of mercury cell batteries giving a total of 2880 volts, explosive squibs for activating parachutes and the compact electronic packages was assembled by Cook Research Laboraties of Skokie, Ill., under the sponsorship of WADC's communication and navigation laboratory.

Meteor and Auroral Studies

Reflection of VHF and UHF radio signals from meteor and auroral ionization is being studied at the Stanford Research Institute, Palo Alto, California. The experimental radar station is equipped with a giant 61-foot diameter antenna and a 100-megacycle transmitter.

An SRI team has been assigned to install and operate a similar radar unit at College, Alaska. The northern station is part of an associated program being carried on in conjunction with the Geophysical Institute, University of Alaska.

Air to Ground Rocket

The Air Research and Development Command (ARDC) announced that a half-million dollar study contract has been awarded to the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, Los Angeles, California. The contract is concerned with the development of a new type of air-to-ground rocket suitable for delivery by fighter aircraft. Additional work on the project will be conducted at ARDC's Air Force Armament Center, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.

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A new cold punching copper clad laminated plastic Formica XXXP-36 for printed circuits can be punched without heating in thicknesses up to 1/16 in.

Printed circuit designers have instinctively shied away from long circuits because the expense of rejects mounts in direct proportion to the square feet of area involved.

The Komak Corp. of Philadelphia, Pa. has fabricated two circuits 34 in. long for an Allen electronic organ. Using Formica XXXP-36 provides dimensional stability and resultant circuit accuracy that practically eliminates the reject problem.

\$4 Million Grant for Education

The National Science Foundation has granted \$4,065,000 to 16 colleges and universities for teacher training. Purpose of the grant is to help high-school teachers stay abreast of advances in science, mathematics and engineering.

Interest at this level has been heightened because high-school population is the heaviest it has ever been, and is growing steadily. NSF Director, Alan T. Waterman said that the money is to be used for academic-year institutes.

ASA's Scope of Work

The Standards Council of the American Standards Association, recently adopted the following resolution: "that the ASA should be so organized that it can handle any standard standardization project which deserves national recognition—whether, but not exclusively, in the field of engineering, accounting, business practice or consumer goods."

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In Pennsylvania a local official complained to the Commission and to his Congressman about interruption of his TV reception by a community antenna TV system. Inquiry pinned a double guilt-on cable radiation by the community TV system and on the complaining official's own defective TV receiver. Both parties promised corrective action.

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The Commission received letters of thanks from a Congressman and from a woman because it induced a Pennsylvania farmer to mend a break in his electric fence, which improved broadcast reception for the lady constituent.

New Highway System

A new rail-type highway system with a rail either overhead or on the highway itself will be introduced for greater safety according to William Schmidt, Vice President and Director of Styling of the Studebaker-Packard Corporation.

Over 75 million American cars will be on the road by 1970 and crowding will be an increasing problem in the distant future he said. Power for the system could be supplied by a source High other than that of the car's own power plant which would allow cars travelling off the highway to run on a compact storage battery.

Better Radar Presentation

An automatic device which defines radar targets more clearly has been developed by the Government Division of Allen B. Du Mont Laboratories, Inc.

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path of the aircraft. Du Mont has designed and flight tested the new receiver in standard airborne radar sets. Provisions are made for manual gain control of the radar equipment when it is desirable to focus on one individual image to the exclusion of definition of others within a target area. The COAC receiver, with minor modifications, could be adapted to radar equipment other than that used in aircraft. It could be useful in mepeorological, land, or ship radar sets.

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Local business men will be taught what digital computers and similar machines can do for them at the University of Pittsburgh's new Data Processing Center. The new director hired to educate the community, is William B. Kehl, formerly with MIT's Instrumentation Labs. Fortyfive business executives, many of them from top Corporation Offices, have enrolled.

urce **High Frequency Lighting**

Successful use of high frequency electric current in fluorescent lighting was reported at the Winter General Meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. Eight hundred and forty cycle frequency was installed in a small industrial office building at fines lower initial cost, increased efficiency, been greater flexibility, and a 20 per cent Divi- upower consumption reduction over a bora- momparable 60 cps system.

R. D. Burnham, of the Wakefield oorne Company, Vermilion, Ohio, author of called the paper said that frequency converlutter sion from 60 to 840 cycles was effected imby utilizing a motor generator. A 400 " tar- volt, three-phase motor was used to each drive an 840 cycle, 400 volt, threen the phase generator. Capacitors were are used for current limiting. Mr. Burnvidual ham further said that "increased frequency for the purpose of operating

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Packaged Electronic Circuit for TV

A TV receiver is now in production at Motorola that has as its primary design purpose the use of a plated circuit chassis with packaged electronic circuits. The result is a decrease of chassis area by 20 per cent, the combining of 97 separate parts into 17 group units, and the reduction of conventional wiring by 90 per cent.

By incorporating the new Centralab PEC technique to the fullest possible extent, Motorola has reversed the usual circuit-design procedures. This is the first time that a television receiver has been designed specifically to utilize the advantages offered by a new technique in component parts. The usual practice is for component parts to be fabricated for existing circuitry. This new development is the result of cooperative engineering effort between Motorola Inc. and Centralab.

Reliability

At the 38th Annual meeting of the American Ordnance Association, Daniel E. Noble, Vice-President, Motorola, Inc., pointed out four basic requirements that must be met when supplying the Armed Forces with electronic systems.

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Highly pure and perfect metal crystals known as whiskers" are being used to gain new insight into the enormous forces which bind atoms together. Dr. R. L. Eisner, research physicist, Westinghouse Research Laboratories, Pittsburgh, Pa., described a new technique for evaluating these forces at the Seventh New York Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. By measuring the tensile strength of whiskers of iron, Dr. Eisner found that iron had a strength of more than a half a million pounds per square inch.

In "whiskers," a metal exists in perfect condition. In contrast, any ordinary piece of metal contains countless millions of structural imperfections. Under stress, it is these imperfections which govern how and when the metal will break. They mask any attempt to measure the much larger forces which hold the metal atoms themselves together.

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Automation Progress Aired

A distinguished assembly of scientists and engineer appeared recently before a subcommittee of the Joint Economic Committee, headed by Rep. Wrigh Patman (D-Tex.). They presented their version of the progress automation has made in the past few years. Most of the witnesses before the committee were Instrument Society of America members.

The theme for the hearings was set by R. T. Sheen, President of ISA. He thought that there were certain conditions tending to strangle the growth of automation. To counteract these, he cited certain needs: the current labor force should be further trained; new blood and technical personnel should be brought into the industry; worker efficiency should be increased through current instrumentation services, and worker effectiveness should be enhanced through broader communications systems on techniques and equipment.

Sheen's recommendations to meet these need are: (1) better trained high school teachers and more basic scientific courses, (2) vocational training for "instrument mechanics" and technicians, (3) en gineering extension services, (4) better use of mili tary training periods, (5) creation of instrument automation information centers, (6) better liaison between industry and the military, and (7) augmen the work of the National Science Foundation and ISA's Foundation for Instrumentation Education and Research.

Most of the other witnesses echoed Mr. Sheen's statements during the four-day hearing. The Laba Department announced that it had conducted a survey of five companies that had turned to automation. The report showed that only a small percent age of worker dislocation occurred. Where the worker could not grasp the operation of the new machines, he was moved horizontally to another position of less complexity with no loss in pay. Bu increased demand and enlarged production of the automated products invariably resulted in an increased labor force.

Labor unions were concerned with three majo areas: migration of industry, training and adjus ments in collective bargaining. The migration aspec concerned itself with the movement of industric to other locales, thereby leaving an unemploye work force behind. These would be, in large meaure, older workers who could not or would n move with the industry. The training problem, a cording to the AFL-CIO will have to be solve jointly by management and the union. Pay different tials will also enter this area. Some of that will conup in the collective bargaining aspect in which the unions show concern.

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At tomation hearing on Capitol Hill are beging to show a periodicity. Last year many days re spent on the subject. No bills concerning tomation were presented to Congress last session. e Patman Committee, this time, appeared satisd that the nation's social and economic structure as not being marred by the little automation now ing used. Therefore, it was concluded that no gislation on automation will come out of this seson of Congress.

C TV Interference Ban

anufacturers of TV receivers and some fm reivers have an additional six months before they ust begin to make provisions for interference limng. The Federal Communications Commission s announced that Section 16.58 (c) of the rules is nended by this notice. This section of the rules werns "Incidental and Restricted Radiation Dees." It also covers the power line interference nit in frequencies between 3 and 25 mc applicable TV and fm broadcast receivers.

The Notice gives manufacturers of TV receiver assis until June 30, 1957 to design their circuits interference-free operation. Manufacturers of evision broadcast receivers have until December 1957 to comply.

Delay in the implementation of the rule stems om the fact that the FCC has only partially weloped a testing and monitoring technique for inference in this frequency range. Actually, the rulg is part of a larger scheme for interference limitg in the frequency range from 3 to 890 mc. The st act in this area occurred several years ago when ban was placed on interference from diathermy achines used by doctors and hospitals. As a result the ruling at that time, new machines had to be urchased that were more carefully radiation ielded, or if the old diathermy machines were ed, the rooms had to be shielded.

The manufacturer of TV receivers, like the diaermy machine producers, will have to make cerin that oscillations will not interfere, either rough the power line or by radiation. Once the mpliance has been met, the manufacturer will ve to certify in writing or place some kind of seal the set that it is radiation-free. The FCC will tempt to test pre-production receivers in its own boratories. If circumstances preclude this prior ting, the reputation of the manufacturer will have stand by his certification. However, the FCC has me 500 local community TV committees whose b is to listen to complaints. These may be either on people who are getting interference from a TV or are having their receiver interfered with. is, then becomes a good check on the manufacrer's certification at the all-important customere level.

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The 1957 Transistor and Solid State Circuits Conence is sponsored jointly by the Philadelphia tion of the IRE, the Science and Electronics thnical Division of the AIEE, the IRE Profesnal Group on Circuit Theory, and the University Pennsylvania. The Conference will be held on Campus of the University of Pennsylvania, in Invine Auditorium and the University Museum. Registration and hotel reservation forms may be wall ained from Mr. F. W. Anderson, General Elec-Company, Missile and Ordnance Systems De-Swittment, 3198 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia 4, INIQU Insylvania. Advance Registration Fee is \$3. At Conference \$4.

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Feb. 5-7: Twelfth Reinforced **Plastics Division Conference**

Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill. Latest developments in both technical and practical aspects of reinforced plastics. Subject matter will range from reports on research and testing, product design, production methods, to marketing techniques. A complete program, listing papers and speakers, registration forms for the three day conference and hotel reservation blanks are now available. Those interested should write to The Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc., 250 Park Ave., New York 17, N.Y.

Feb. 7: Operations Research Symposium

University Museum Lecture Hall, University of Pennsylvania. Sponsored jointly by the Professional Group on Engineering Management of the Philadelphia Section of IRE and the Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics. Major theme will be Mathematical Models in Management Decision Making. Contact Haydn Ringer, 1303 Highland Ave., Palmyra, N. J.

Feb. 7: Annual Symposium of the New York Section of the ISA

Garden City Hotel, Garden City, N. Y. Short papers on "Practical Accuracy of Measurement" will be presented followed by a discussion. Afternoon session will be on "Data Handling." For further information contact G. Newberg, Publicity Chairman, Fairchild Engine Division, Fairchild Engine & Airplane Corp., Deer Park, L. I., N. Y.

Feb. 7-8: Special Conference on Nucleonics In Industry

Hotel Statler, New York, N. Y. Principal subjects for discussion will be the present and prospective profitability of atomic investment. Sessions will cover industrial applications as the use of nuclear energy for processing purposes, development of auxiliary power, and the uses of isotopes. Conducted by the American Management Association, 1515 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

Feb. 15-16: Cleveland Electronics Conference

Masonic Auditorium, Euclid Ave. and E. 36th St., Cleveland 14, Ohio. For information, write Robert A. Dambach, Cleveland Electronics Conference, 18511 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

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Plunger which picks up the blanks is controlled by switches shown. Upper switch stops the press if the blanks do not reach level of gripping fingers. Switch at left brings new stack of blanks into position. If stack doesn't come into position, the third switch stops press.



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February 14-15: Transistor and Solid State Circuits Conference

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa. Sponsored by the Institute of Radio Engineers, American Institute of Electrical Engineers, and the University of Pennsylvania. For further information contact G. H. Kunstadt, Radio Corp. of America, Defense Electronic Products, Camden 2, N. J.

Feb. 25-27: Special Conference on **Electronics In Action**

Statler Hotel, New York, N. Y. Several major companies will show electronic data-processing equipment in action through closed-circuit television. Sponsored by the American Management Association's Finance Division, 1515 Broadway, New York, N.Y.

Feb. 26-27: Third Conference on **Radio-Interference Reduction**

Chicago, Ill. Sessions include equipment design techniques, instrumentation and measurement techniques, practical interference reduction methods, and special suppression components. For further information contact Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology, Technology Center, 10 West 35th St., Chicago 16, Ill.

Feb. 26-28: Western Joint **Computer Conference**

Statler Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif. The Conference is under the joint sponsorship of the IRE, AIEE, and ACM. Theme of the meetings will be "Techniques For Reliability." For further information contact S. Dean Wanlass, Aeronutronic Systems, Inc., 13729 Victory Blvd., Van Nuys, Calif.

March 11-15: 1957 Nuclear Congress

Convention Hall, Philadelphia, Pa. Theme of the Congress is "For Mankind's Progress" and peacetime uses of atomic energy will be discussed. Included in the Congress are four major elements, including the Second Nuclear Engineering and Science Congress, coordinated by Engineers Joint Council on behalf of twenty engineering and scientific societies. This will include 130 technical papers during a four-day program. The National Industrial Conference Board will hold its Fifth Conference on Atomic Energy in Industry, featuring twelve round-table discussions. The International Atomic Exposition, sponsored by the American Institute of Chemical Engineers in cooperation with four other engineering societies, will display industry's latest items in the atomic field. The Fifth Hot Laboratories and Equipment Conference, sponsored by the Hot Laboratories Committee of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tenn., will take place March 14 and 15. For information, write Engineers Joint Council, 33 W. 39th St., New York, N.Y.

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lead fatigue vibration vibration fatigue shock temperature cycle moisture resistance life, intermittent operation life, storage	three 90-degree arcs 100 to 1000 cps at 10 G 60 cps at 10 G 40 G, 11 milliseconds -55° C to $+150^{\circ}$ C MIL-STD-202 P _c = 150 mW, V _c = 30V 150° C, ambient	3 cycles, each x, y, and z plane 32 hours, each x, y, and z plane 3 shocks, each x, y, and z plane 10 cycles 240 hours 1000 hours, accumulated operating time 1000 hours	no broken leads $\begin{cases} 1_{CO} = 2 \mu \text{A maximum at 5V} \\ h_{ob} = 2 \mu \text{ mhos maximum} \\ h_{1b} = -0.88 \text{ minimum} \\ (USN-2N117) \\ h_{1b} = -0.94 \text{ minimum} \\ (USN-2N118) \\ h_{1b} = -0.97 \text{ minimum} \\ (USN-2N119) \end{cases}$
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March 18-21: The 1957 SPI Annual National Conference and Pacific **Coast Plastics Exposition**

Hotel Biltmore, Los Angeles, Calif., sponsored the Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc. Se sion will cover plastics in the fields of electronics, a craft and detense, building, and processing. Exp sition will be held at the Shrine Exposition Hal Further information may be obtained from the S ciety of the Plastics Industry, Inc., 250 Park Ave New York, N. Y.

March 18-21: IRE National Convention

Waldorf-Astoria Hotel and New York Colisem New York, N. Y. Twenty-three technical subject such as Telemetry, Antennas and Propagation, G cuit Theory, Electron Devices and Receivers, Con puters, Information Theory, Automatic Contr Microwave and Instrumentation, Manufacturin Electronics, Audio and Broadcast, Aeronautic Instantion Communication and Military Electronics, Ultr sonics, Medical and Nuclear Electronics will | presented at the convention. For further inform tion on exhibits, contact Mr. William C. Copp, IR Advertising Dept., 1475 Broadway, New York, N. Contact the IRE, 1 East 79th St., New York, N.Y. other information.

March 25-27: Special Conference on Research a Development

Palmer House, Chicago, Ill. Sponsored by American Management Association. Subject will "Product Development in Medium and Small Co panies." For information, write American Manag dito ment Association, 1515 Broadway, New York, N

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April 8-11: Fourth National Electrical Industries Show

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April 11-13: Southwestern IRE **Conference and Electronics Show**

Houston, Texas. Sponsored by the Houston Sect of the IRE. This conference will be augmented the National Simulation Conference which will will and 2 sponsored by the IRE Professional Group on E litute tronic Computers. For information, write to Ni Salle Southwestern IRE Conference and Electron Pre Show, P. O. Box 1234, Houston 1, Texas. aring

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urin mrison Hotel, Chicago, Ill. Sponsored by Ameritica Institute of Chemical Engineers, American Nu-Jhr mr Society, American Society for Testing Mate-Il tals, and Society for Nondestructive Testing. Inmation resulting from 15 years research and de-IR dopment in testing applications in the nuclear N. Id will be presented. Papers will be in three cate-Y. fories: reactor materials, completed fuel assemblies, ad miscellaneous. For information, write to Amerim Society for Testing Materials, 1916 Race St., h or iladelphia 3, Pa.

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ril 24-26: Seventh Region IRE Conference

n Diego, Calif. Theme of the meeting is "Elecmics in Space." Sessions will be held on elecmic aids to air navigation, audio, management, es of computers, antennas and propagation, nuviation ar activiation and damage of electronic equipmt, electronic devices, electron tubes, microwave, futurentation, telemetering, data handling and tomation, magnetic components, and radio asmomy. For information, write to IRE Seventh Rem Conference, U. S. Grant Hotel, San Diego, her

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A big problem for designers is that of knowing what has been patented in a given field. Sources of such information often seem elusive. This compilation by John T. Milek is the most comprehensive we've seen and is published for purposes of reference. In an attempt to increase the designers general knowledge of patents and their value, two other articles have been published recently in ELECTRONIC DESIGN. They are: "What Good are Patents"—May 15, 1956 and "Patents are Valuable"—Sept. 15, 1956.

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A PATENT search often reveals a wealth of electronics information. Large corporations such as General Electric Co., Westinghouse, Bell Telephone Co., and Radio Corp. of America maintain patent staffs which specialize in the art of searching and preparing patents. A thorough patent search can only be made in the Search Room at the Patent Office in Washington, D. C. Row after row of search desks, provided with racks for convenient "flipping and scanning" of patent subclasses, extend across the room. An excellent description of the United States Patent Office facilities is provided by Fleischer ("Exploring United States Chemical Patent Literature," Searching the Chemical Literature, Washington, D. C., American Chemical Society, 1951, pp 61-69).

Patent Indexes

The Electronics Engineering Master Index, published by the Electronics Research Publishing Co., Inc., covered many electronics patents in their four volumes: 1925-1945, 1946, 1947-1948, 1949. For example: In the 1947-1948 volume, 5500 patents were listed; in 1949, 4000 were covered. In 1946, a companion volume, Electronics Engineering Patent Index, covering approximately 2000 patents, was published by the same company.

The United States Patent Office has prepared a Classification Bulletin of the United States Patent Office, Number 400, Revision I, January 1954. The bulletin is a consolidated index to Classification Bulletins 103-416, containing the defined classes arranged numerically with their titles and for each a list of all classification bulletins containing a reference thereto. This index is available gratis from the Commission of Patents, Washington 25, D. C. Approximately thirty-five classes are listed which pertain or relate to electronics and electrical engineering.

The United States National Bureau of Standards published a "List of the More Important United States Patents Covering the Materials and Methods of Manufacture of Insulating Materials," Letter Circular LC-51 (1922), 29 pp. It intended to include all United States patents issued prior to September 1, 1920 on the manufacture and use of electrical insulating materials. The publication includes a numerical list of 450 patents dating from 1888 to 1920 and other details such as patent number, date, inventor, assignee, title and reissues.

In 1936 the United States Bureau of Mines published an information circular (No. 6883) titled "Patents on Geophysical Prospecting Issued in the United States, England, Canada, Australia, Germany, France, and Russia." It was subsequently continued in the United States Geodetic Survey Bulletin Numbers 887 and 895b. The publication includes many electrical methods of prospecting as well as electronic devi and apparatus.

The United States Government Patents Board 1953 began a series of volumes containing Government-owned inventions available for license. The volumes of this series are detailed under 9, 10 and of the bibliography.

Abstracts

The United States Patent Office issues a weekly ned ficial Gazette, recording and abstracting all current nde leased patents in numerical sequence. Complete 4 al nearly complete sets of the Official Gazette can on, found in the libraries of the major cities of the United States. For information on electrical patents prior k in



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F, a useful source of information is the United tes Patent Office publication titled "Index of Pat-Relating to Electricity, embracing patents issued the United States Patent Office from July 1, 1881-7." This index will save numerous hours of searchfor electrical patents of that period since it is arged by patent class and numerically within the ss. An alphabetical, numerical and chronological ex of all patents is included also. A more recent ent indexing literature tool is the Index of Patents ed from the United States Patent Office, 1920-. It udes an alphabetical list of patentees, and prior to olete 4 an alphabetical list of inventions. The publion, Index of Trade-marks Issued from the United es Patent Office, 1928-affords the searcher trade prior k information of patented products and processes. hemical Abstracts includes many patents relating ectronics, such as plastics insulation, ceramic ination, dielectric materials, and semiconductors. Anand decennial indexes facilitate finding such patdata.

nother source of electronics patent information is **RETMA Radio-Electronics Patent Service issued** kly by the Radio-Electronics-Television Manufac-Association, Suite 800, Wyatt Bldg., 777-14th et, N.W., Washington 5, D. C. This service (which ee to members) reproduces in brief all patent listfrom the United States Official Gazette in the tronic field.

uring World War II the Custodian of the United es Office of Alien Property prepared and pubd a compendium, Abstracts of Mechanical and ttrical Vested Patents, in five volumes. Several usand electrical patents are listed by classes.

any periodicals and trade journals include elecics patents as regular features. These usually can ted through the periodical's index, Engineering ex, or Industrial Arts Index. Norman Chalfin has **Feading Avenue** Ar geles 45, Calif.

reviewed electronics patents in a series of articles titled "Pertinent Patents" in 1955 in Electronics, Mc-Graw-Hill, New York. A comprehensive bibliography, "Transistor Circuits and Devices" by John T. Milek was published in the January, 1955 issue of Electronics Digest. Over 200 patents are included on the subjects of semiconductor devices, germanium and silicon diodes, and germanium and silicon transistors.

A new patent service called "Picturesort" was inaugurated recently offering copies of all United States patents issued. The company (Picturesort Co., New Haven, Conn.) will supply copies of electronics patent abstracts and microfilm on a punched card which can be coded and filed for easy reference.

Patent Suits

In 1926 the Radio Manufacturers' Association, Inc. published a volume titled Information on U.S. Radio Patents and Suits (New York, The Association, 1926, 175 pp.). Supplements numbering 1-21 have been published dating from December 31, 1926 to December 1931. The first half of the original volume is a collection, classification and tabulation of all United States patents relating to radio receiving circuits and systems exclusive of circuits employable peculiarly or only for radio transmitting, and to radio parts or instruments usable in such receiving circuits. The report on each subject is preceded by a discussion of the scope of the report and the methods of treatment and contents, with an analysis of the classification followed. The patents are listed numerically under each subject. Information on each patent includes patent number, date, inventor and title. The second half of the original volume on suits appeared separately (371 pp.). The first half of each supplement continues the patent compilation, the last one going through December 1931. Subject indexes to the original volume and supplements are also included.

Foreign Patents

Information on foreign electronics patents is scarce. Belkhap Severance, chief cataloger of the Scientific Library of the United States Patent Office, has prepared a valuable guide to foreign patent source material in his Manual of Foreign Patents, Washington, D. C., Patent Office Society, 1935, 161 pp. In its introduction, it incorporates "Searching Foreign Patents" by Arthur Worischek, Patent Attorney for General Motors. Worischek describes the problems and difficulties besetting a patent searcher in locating patent information in the various countries. The contents include patent source information of fifty-six countries arranged alphabetically by country. Such information is included as name and address of patent office, patent journals and periodicals, with complete detailed information on each; indexes, classifications, abridgments, specifications, patent laws, legislation and statistics.

White and Ravenscroft give details of patent laws of over 200 countries, islands, territories and colonies in Patents Throughout The World, New York, Trade Activities, Inc., 1944, 416 pp plus Supplements.

Langner has prepared a compendium of useful information relating to foreign patents and trade marks with complete tables and charts specially prepared for the use of attorneys: Langner's Foreign Patent and Trade Mark Digest, New York, Langner, Card, & Langner, 1928-, loose-leaf.

Obtaining Patents

Electric and electronics patents are discussed by Toulmin (Handbook of Patents by H. A. Toulmin, Jr., New York, Van Nostrand, 1949, Chapter VII: Special Types of Patents). He discusses such basic patents as radio, Morse telegraph patent, De Forest radio Tube, Bell telephone patent, incandescent lamp patent, Marconi patents, television, electrical fields, and electrical methods. The reader is referred to this work for a discussion of patent-ability, court decisions, and patent applications of electrical and electronics patents.

A few other books on electrical patents providing sources of information are:

Beginnings of Telephony by F. L. Rhodes. New York, Harper, 1929, 261 pp. Pages 234-238 includes a numerical list of patents from 1875-July 1918, giving date, patentee, feature covered, and page reference to text.

Electrical Technology and the Public Interest by Frank J. Kottke. Washington, D. C., 1944, 199 pp.

The Law of Electrical Invention by Frank G. Kirtz. New York, Boardman, 1954, 742 pp.

Radio and Television Rights. (A standard reference book on the law of copyright, trade-marks, and unfair competition and the broadcasting industry) Albany, New York, Matthew Bender & Co., 1953, one volume.

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Government Owned Inventions Available for License. Washington, D.C., 1953, 168 pp.

(A list of 3658 patents arranged by industrial use. Supersedes 1951 publication, "Government-owned inventions for free use covering 2339 patents active as of January 1, 1951. Information included in the list comprise U.S. patent number, title of invention, name of inventor, and the abbreviated name of the government agency administering the patent. The following major group: Electrical Machinery, Equipment and Supplies and its subaroups are included:

- 36-11 Wiring devices and supplies.
- 36-12 Carbon and graphite products for use in the electrical industry.
- 36-13 Instruments for indicating, measuring, and recording electrical quantities and characteristics.
- 36-14 Motors, generators, and motor-generator sets.
- 36-15 Power and distribution transformers.
- 36-16 Switchgear, switchboard apparatus, and industrial controls.
- 36-17 Electrical welding apparatus.
- 36-19 Electrical equipment for industrial use, not elsewhere classified.
- 36-21 Electrical appliances.
- 36-31 Insulated wire and cable.
- 36-41 Electrical equipment for motor vehicles, aircraft, and railway locomotives and cars.
- 36-51 Electric lamps.
- 36-61 Radios, radio and television equipment, and phonographs.

36-62 Radio tubes.

- 36-64 Telephone and telegraph equipment.
- 36-69 Communication equipment.
- 36-91 Storage batteries.
- 36-92 Primary batteries.
- 36-93 X-ray and therapeutic apparatus and non-radio electronic tubes.
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4300 Government-owned Inventions Available for License. Patent Abstract Series No. 1: Instrumentation. Washington 25, D.C., U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Small Business Administration, P.B. 11464. (Lists 775 Government-owned inventions available for license applicable to the instrumentation industry, covered by patents active as of December 31, 1953. Inventions are divided into eight groups:

- 1) Laboratory, scientific, and engineering instrument.
- 2) Instruments for indicating, measuring, and recording electrical quantities and characteristics.
- 3) Mechanical measuring and controlling instruments.

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Vibration Tube Testing

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THE study and treatment of microphonic noise in subminiature receiving tubes requires quite specialized testing techniques, both in simulating expected mechanical vibration environment and in observing the resulting effects on electronic behavior of the tube. As in all phases of electronic development, the amount of engineering time and cost involved depends very much on the effectiveness of the test methods and equipment. This article describes the methods that were used in a specialized program of microphonics study in which it was particularly necessary to develop vibration test methods which were accurate and fast.

Four Steps in Microphonic Tests

There are generally four basic steps in reducing tube microphonics in vibration testing:

1. Create the mechanical vibration. Apply external vibration forces which represent possible external excitation in the critical audio range from 100 to 10,000 cps.

2. Observe microphonics during vibration. Determine accurately the magnitude of tube noise voltage and the corresponding exciting frequencies for all mechanical resonances occurring in the tube.

3. Locate each source of tube resonance. Filament, anode, grid side rods, and other components may be producing one or more resonant peaks.

4. Reduce the effects of resonance. Mechanical changes in the tube design can either raise the reson-

ant frequency of a component above the audio range or damp the resonant magnitude.

Usual practices for locating and reducing tube resonances in Steps 3 and 4 will be briefly summarized later in the article. The same techniques are used no matter how vibration is created or how the noise is observed in Steps 1 and 2.

Creating the Mechanical Vibration

In the series of tests described herein, mechanical vibrations were created with an electrodynamic vibration exciter, in which the frequency and acceleration of specimen motion were controlled at the power source by varying the input current to an exciter driver coil. Three power sources were used; (1) a manually-controlled single-frequency source; (2) a random-noise source; and (3) an analyzer-controlled swept-frequency source. The test equipment (Fig. 1) includes all the elements required to create vibration and observe tube noise in using each of the three sources.

Tube specimens were mounted in a rapid-loading tube carriage device on the table of the exciter (closeup in Fig. 2). The Model C7 electrodynamic vibration exciter used was made by the MB Manufacturing Company, New Haven, Conn., and developed by MB in cooperation with Raytheon and the Diamond Ordnance Fuze Laboratories, Washington, D. C. The manufacturer rates the exciter for a continuousduty force output of 1.20 lbs, a total displacement of 0.025 in., and less than 5% distortion of table acceleration waveform in the test frequency range from 100 to 10,000 cps.

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In Fig. 3, an operator has placed a tube specimen in the test fixture and is sliding it into position on the exciter in preparation for a vibration test.

With the manually-controlled single-frequency source, the driver coil of the vibration exciter was energized with the sinusoidal output of an audio signal generator (Fig. 1). The random-noise source was a gas-tube generator, with a bandwidth maintained between 100 and 10,000 cps. A high-gain amplifier on the output of the random-noise generator provided sufficient current in the driver coil to develop a average table acceleration of 10 g. With the analyzer controlled swept-frequency source, an audio spectrum analyzer (left in Fig. 2) provided a sinusoidal swept frequency output synchronized with the response fre quency of the trace on the analyzer's oscillograph As the analyzer swept the test frequency range from 40 to 10,000 cps, the specimen tube under test wa vibrated at any instant by only one frequency of sinusoidal vibration rather than by a random band as with the random-noise source.

Observing the Electrical Noise

The occurrence of microphonics during the test was usually observed on the oscillograph of the audi spectrum analyzer. The vertical position of the trac represented the instantaneous magnitude of plat noise. As shown in Fig. 4, the face of the oscillograph



Fig. 1. Tube vibration testing facilities at Raytheon. Keyed items are: (1) speaker for listening to tube noises; (2) audio spectrum analyzer with camera; (3) vibrator; (4) tube under test, circuit, and special noise-free socket; (5) oscilloscope for observing tube instantaneous noise; (6) general-purpose a-c vtvm; (7) control panel, including built-in calibration signals; (8) impulse counters to record occurrence of noise peaks above preset levels; (9) highgain amplifier for noise signal; (10) vibrator voice-coil current; (11) rms thermal meter for measuring tube noise level; (12) vibrator field supply and control; (13) power supplies for tube under test; (14) random noise source; (15) audio signal generator for driving vibrator with sine wave.



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Fig. 3. An operator is sliding a subminiature tube into the exciter block in preparation for a vibration test. Tube leads are held in a clamping device which connects the tube to its operating circuit during test.

was calibrated linearly on the ordinate in millivolts rms and logarithmically on the abscissa in cycles from 40 to 20,000 cps. The Panoramic spectrum analyzer (Fig. 1) can sweep the frequency range in one second. With a long-persistence oscillograph screen, a plot of tube noise as a function of sweep frequency provided a graphic record of the microphonics behavior of the tube under test.

The test facility shown in Fig. 1 also included other means for finding resonances. A speaker was provided (upper left) to permit the test engineer to listen for tube rattles in the low-frequency range. A standard oscilloscope indicated the instantaneous noise output of the specimen, an rms thermal meter measured tube noise level, and impulse counters were available to record noise peaks above pre-set levels.

Manually-Controlled Single-Frequency Source

The manually-controlled single-frequency source is the slowest and most laborious of the three methods described, but it is most useful in sweeping very narrow frequency ranges and in studying vibration responses very near known resonant peaks. Manual control of the signal generator is common practice in studying microphonics of receiving tubes and any other mechanical and electronic devices in which neither the frequency range nor the number of specimens tested are as large as in the studies performed here.

The plate noise output of a tube specimen is most frequently detected in manual operation as an instantaneous trace on the standard oscilloscope or, if the shape of a resonant peak must be studied, on the calibrated oscillograph of a spectrum analyzer.

Random-Noise Source

While all existing mechanical resonances in a tube are excited simultaneously with a random-noise source, each is easily distinguished on the oscillograph of a spectrum analyzer. A random-noise source permits a much faster test than the manually-controlled singlefrequency source and is therefore preferred wherever possible.

It is possible that an oscillograph trace may be too fuzzy for proper interpretation. Because the energy input from the random-noise source is not constant at any given frequency in the sweep range, the traces produced in successive sweeps are not identical. The amplitude of a particular resonant peak will be different on successive sweeps (as the energy input in the vicinity of frequency changes). In such cases, it is necessary to average out the observed peak magnitudes in order to determine noise level. As shown in Fig. 4, the random-noise source used in the tests described here resulted in a good deal of low-magnitude fuzz in the vicinity of resonances and particularly in the "rattle" region below 100 cps. For this reason, manually-controlled single-frequency testing was frequently used for closer investigation of resonances detected in random-noise tests.
Analyzer-Controlled Swept-Frequency Source

Because it retains the advantages and avoids the disadvantages of a random-noise source, the analyzercontrolled swept-frequency source was extensively used in this program. In such a test, tube resonances occur sequentially rather than simultaneously, as both the table motion of the vibration exciter and the analyzer trace sweep in synchronization from 40 to 10,000 cps. Since the pattern of energy input to the tube specimen is identical throughout each onesecond sweep of the analyzer, the traces overlap each other with the analyzer-controlled swept-frequency source. A sharp and steady picture is then produced, with each resonance represented by only one trace peak.

There are commercial spectrum analyzers available which are capable of sweep times as high as three minutes. However, it was found that the one-second sweep time obtained with the analyzer in Fig. 1 was sufficient for the program described. Of course, it may be possible that a one-second sweep duration is too short to permit complete build-up of resonances at lower frequencies in certain cases. A sweep that is too fast may be observed as a cluster of several resonant peaks of reduced amplitude at various frequencies above and below the actual resonant peak. These peaks represent partial build-ups to resonance of different degrees. In such rare cases, the manually-controlled single-frequency source may be used.

Locating the Sources of Tube Microphonics

It is often possible to determine the sources of tube resonances simply by interpreting an oscillograph trace on a spectrum analyzer in terms of relative



with the test setup in Fig. 1. Tests on two samples of a filament-type tube are shown at (a) and (b). Note the improvement at (c) for a cathode-type tube where normal attention was given to microphonics. The still improved noise factor at (d) is for the specially developed low-microphonic Raytheon tube, Type CK6533. The ordinate is calibrated linearly at 5 mv full scale in each test. A random-noise source was used to produce a constant acceleration level of 10 g in a frequency band from 100 to 10,000 cps. The resonance peaks which rise above the calibrated area have gone off the oscillograph screen and are actually much higher. magnitude, sharpness (or Q), and frequency of the resonant peaks. When further investigation is necessary, a damping probe may be used with an open specimen to isolate resonating tube elements, as further described below.

In filament-type tubes (Fig. 5) the major and most obvious resonance is usually in the filament. It is distinguished by a comparatively large amplitude and a very sharp resonant peak (high Q). The distinctive high Q of filament resonance may also be detected by tapping the tube lightly with a mallet and listening for a high ring. In a cathode-type subminiature tube (Fig. 6), there is no such outstanding source of resonance as the filament.

Other than in the filament, mechanical resonances are most frequently found in grid side rods and in the anode or anode supports. The resonant frequencies of the grid winding wires are well above the range of interest in microphonics studies.

Non-filament resonances usually can only be definitely pinpointed by removing the tube envelope and s applying a damping probe. The open subminiature tube is operated as a condenser microphone in such a test, with a voltage placed between two electrodes a a time through a very high resistance. The voltage across the load resistance is then proportional to the relative motion of the two electrodes under study.

In the Raytheon tests, the damping probe wa pressed against a particular tube component and th trace observed to determine whether the resonan peak had been lost, reduced, or shifted to anothe frequency. If so, it was evident that the componen being damped was the cause of, or was contributin to, the resonant condition. In investigating anod resonance, it may become necessary to apply th damping probe at a number of points on the surfac in order to detect local modes of vibration.

Resonance occurring in the grid side rods is no usually due to flexing of the rods, but rather motion of the entire rod, in the support holes of the two mica spacers. The nature of this type of resonance often that of a rattle, having a low Q and low fre quency (usually from 100 to 3000 cps).

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In Fig. 4a and Fig. 4b, two specimens of a filament type tube each show extreme microphonics at about 5000 cps. These noise peaks were caused by resonant of filament strands. Apart from that one response, is evident from the graphs that one specimen with nge much more microphonic than the other.

The traces in Fig. 4c and Fig. 4d represent tet Since made on two cathode-type triodes. The tube in Figure 4c was designed with only normal emphasis on lo ce vin





Fig. 5. Cross-section of Raytheon's filament-type CK5672 flat hearing aid tube. The major source of microphonics is resonance of the filament strand between the upper and lower mica spacers. Motion of the grid side rods and resonances in the plate structure may also produce plate noise.

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The filament is tightened by using a stronger filament tension spring, which may be a cantilever type (as in Fig. 5) or a helical coil type. In the last 10 years, receiving-tube manufacturers have changed from oxide-coated nickel filaments to oxide-coated tungsten filaments on most tubes because tungsten wire can be stretched more tightly without breaking. Because the filaments may therefore be more taut, tungsten-filament tubes generally have much lower microphonics. However, certain low-cost miniature tubes still ificlude nickel filaments because they are more efficient emitters, and yet adequate in microphonics.

Resonances may occur in the grid side rods or plate structure. Cathode-type tubes

inherently exhibit lower microphonics than the filament-type (see Fig. 4) because

filament resonance is not present.

Grid noise is usually due to vibratory motion of the entire grid side rod rather than resonance: therefore. microphonic output that is traced to the grid side rods may be reduced by anchoring the grid side rod to the upper and lower mica spacers more firmly. This may be accomplished by special straps, welded to the grid and firmly anchored in the spacer by suitable design. In designing anode structure to reduce plate microphonics, the requirement again is to keep the natural frequencies of the anode high enough to avoid the signal frequency range used in the application. To raise its natural frequency, an anode can be made stiffer either by reducing its length or by changing its shape in some manner. The amplitude of resonant peaks in an anode are most effectively damped by proper design of the anode supports and mica spacers.

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Military Standardization of Dummy Loads

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NCREASING power output of radar systems and the need for lighter, more rugged components for military applications, have obsoleted the old lossy wall-high type dummy loads. Dummy loads made of, for example, Portland cement and graphite as the lossy material have too many thermal, electrical, and mechanical disadvantages. Each load has a limited microwave frequency range over which it provides a satisfactory match to the waveguide. In the past, each time a requirement for dummy loads came up, a special design was worked up. No standardization, coupled with the fact that the loads were not very suitable, made the need for improvement obvious. This article is a report on the process of establishing a military standard.

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Thermal-The basic thermal problem in dummy load design is to adequately transfer the generated heat in the lossy material to the surrounding air. This heat transfer is principally due to convection and conduction. The heat is carried from the lossy material to the metal housing by conduction and to the surrounding air from the housing by convection at temperatures up to approximately 200 C. At higher temperadec tures, both convection and radiation effect this Ele transfer. The conversion from electrical energy to heat to c energy is made entirely in the lossy material; there-are fore, the most efficient transfer of heat would take nal place if a large temperature differential and a low rom thermal impedance existed between the lossy matehigh rial and the ambient air. The lossy material in the such older Portland cement type loads have very poor orb inherent conductivity; this molded material tends to with shrink with age and will pull away from the inner If en surface of the housing, thus introducing air gaps and load ind

As a result of a new standardization and simplification program for high-powered dummy loads, the number of governmentapproved units has been reduced from 54 to 9. The table in the article shows the nine standardized units. A typical unit is illustrated. Despite the desirability of standardization, problems to overcome are many and often apparently insurmountable. We hope this factual success story will give encouragement to others concerned with establishing standards.

AN NOMENCLATURE	ORD. DRG. NR.	FREQ. RANGE (KMC/S)	MAX. PEAK POWER (MEGAWATTS)	MINIMUM AV. POWER (WATTS)	MAXIMUM VSWR	LENGTH (IN.)	WIDTH (IN.)	HEIGHT (IN.)	APPROX. WEIGHT (LBS.)	WAVEGUIDE AN TYPE	BAND
DA-147/U	C8212205	1.12- 1.70	17.2	8000	1.10	32-71/8	8-7/8	11-1/2	90	RG-103/U	L
DA-145/U	C8212204	2.60- 3.95	3.2	4500	1.10	14	4-7/8	6-3/8	9-1/2	RG-75/U	S
DA-149/U	C8212208	3.95- 5.85	2.0	2000	1.10	9-3/4	3-5/8	4-1/8	5	RG-95/U	H
DA-144/U	C8212207	5.85- 8.20	0.71	1000	1.10	8	3-1/8	3-7/8	3-1/4	RG-106/U	(
DA-148/U	C8212206	7.05-10	0.46	600	1.10	6-3/8	2-1/2	3-1/8	1-3/4	RG-68/U	B
DA-146/U	C8242917	8.2 -12.4	0.29	500	1.10	5-3/4	2-3/4	2-3/4	1-1/2	RG-67/U)
DA-159/U	C8227529	12.4 -18.0	0.16	250	1.15	4-1/4	2-1/2	2-1/2	1/2	RG-107/U	ł
DA-160/U	C8227532	18.0 -26.5	0.125	150	1.15	4-1/4	2-1/4	2-1/4	3/8	RG-121/U	1
DA-158/U	C8227526	26.5 -40.0	0.075	75	1.15	4-3/16	2-3/16	2-3/16	3/8	RG-96/U	ł

MILITARY CHARACTERISTICS OF STANDARDIZED DUMMY LOADS

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lypical very high power dummy load. The lossy naterial is a ceramic substance rather than one omposed of the more conventional plaster of Paris or graphite in sand. The ceramic approach offers the decided advantages of no moisture aborption and no deleterious effects due to high emperature. There is no binder to disintegrate and temperatures of 3000 F will not destroy the pssy material of the load.

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this Electrical-The older type loads also have a tendency heat n create voltage breakdown across the waveguide as ereresult of either chemical changes in the lossy matetake ial or by the inherent nature of the material. The low ompounds themselves will normally have exceedingly nate ligh temperature stability; but secondary reactions, the such as loss of water of crystallization or loss of abpoor wrbed moisture, cause high humidity conditions ls to within the waveguide, influencing voltage breakdown. nner if extremely high temperatures are placed on certain and hading materials, bonding agents will be destroyed nd resistive qualities will disappear.

Mechanical-Another problem encountered is the appearance of surface imperfections in the lossy mateial as a result of forming. These imperfections in the lissipative material may cause field concentrations nd eventual breakdown.

Facing the Problem

The military had long been aware of these deciencies in existing loads. Several programs had een initiated for the development of a high-power ummy load which was compact, lightweight, restant to moisture absorption, and which would last r the life of the associated transmitting equipment. During the period from January 1954 to January 1955, the Bureau of Ships surveyed the dummy load led and issued a report whose purpose was:

To consolidate all the information available conerning waveguide and coaxial dummy loads which ave been designed for and used by the three Services. whis information was to be put into a form which ould be made available to all interested personnel or use as a guide in the procurement of dummy loads K br new equipment and for replacement purposes.

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From the approximately one hundred loads tabillated, twenty were selected as preferred types. It was estimated that an equal number of loads had not been tabulated for two reasons. Many loads were designed for a specific purpose or as an integral part of a system and as a result had never been submitted for nomenclature and designation. Also, the nomenclature prefixes for dummy loads had changed over the years and, therefore, prefix letters other than "TS" and "DA" had not been checked in the survey.

This list was presented to the Miscellaneous Test Equipment Working Group of the Joint Test Equipment Subpanel (I/TE) of the Standardization Panel of the joint Communications Electronics Committee (JCEC) for consideration. In view of the work that was currently being done in this field by the Frankford Arsenal, Ordnance Corps, the J/TE assigned the standardization of dummy loads to this group in January 1956.

History of Frankford's Action

In an attempt to obtain a suitable high-power dummy load during the latter part of 1949 for a particular radar application, Frankford Arsenal was advised by both the Signal Corps and the Air Force that none was available; in fact, one dummy load type tentatively selected as a possible choice was found to both be optimistically rated and had to be derated far below the required application. Consequently, Frankurati ford Arsenal contacted various commercial suppliers atio in order to find a suitable load but met with little success. A development contract (DA-36-038-ORD-15179) was placed with the Bogart Manufacturing Co. Brooklyn, N. Y., for the design of a high power load for a specific fire-control radar application. The specifications for the load included the following:

Fran 1. Weight-The load should be lighter than existing ome loads at specified maximum average power and am bient temperature ratings.

2. Size-The load should be small enough to com Lis fortably fit in a system allowing sufficient room for new : radiation of heat. (Compactness is necessary for air Arser craft application or ordnance fire control systems ICCOL where it is now being considered for use in associa ubas tion with switching devices.) 985

3. Operating temperature—The load should not exlas b ceed 300 C ambient temperature for use with ground ent systems. 954,

4. Power rating-The maximum average power reary quirements for classified systems or radar system ments presently being conceived are not specifically known The The load should absorb more average power that ntere other loads and still fulfill all other requirements. nstitu 5. Pressurization-The load should be capable ange being pressurized. he n

6. Voltage Standing Wave Ratio-The load should be maintain a VSWR less than 1.10 over the complete g a specified frequency range.

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7. Cooling-The maximum average power ratings are those which produce the specified maximum operating temperature without external cooling (forced air or vater).

9. Flange-The load shall be terminated in a plain type flange and attached to the system by different diptors or wave-guide couplers.

This contract was terminated in July 1954 with the atisfactory testing of the sample load at the Bell Telephone Laboratories, Whippany, N.J. The tests proved beyond doubt that this dummy load was capable of absorbing all of the energy that could be emitted from the radar. In fact, the load was successfully tested to a power 30 percent greater than the anticipated output of the system then being produced.

The Bogart Manufacturing Co. developed a new peramic-type lossy material resulting in a load which s smaller, cheaper and lighter in weight than any heretofore available. Subsequent testing of this dummy load at a Philco Corp. plant and at the Johnsville Naval Air Development Center conclusively proved that the load could easily accommodate the power of existing systems with indication that even higher power systems will be accommodated when hey became available.

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Frankford Arsenal submitted nine Military Characeristics for a new family of loads based on the Bogart hat development. This basic group of dummy loads can, with suitable adapters, readily replace many loads, both high and low power, now existing with their inique electrical requirements and mechanical configurations. Under the old concept of dummy load appliations, both a high and low power type dummy load ttle were established. It was assumed that weight, size and RDrice differentiation between the two classes of loads would be great. However, the development of this new oad amily of "high power" loads compares favorably in weight, size and cost of the "low power" loads and Frankford Arsenal has recommended that these beting ome Standard for both applications. am

Status

com Listed are the nine Military Characteristics for the a for ew family of loads submitted to J/TE by Frankford air Arsenal. Based on this technical and standardization ems accomplishment, the Ordnance Corps has requested a ocia ubassignment under Federal Supply Classification

985 for the Dummy Load area. A new specification t expas been promulgated which incorporates more strinoungent requirements than presently specified in MIL-D-

1954, Dummies, Load, Electrical, Wave-guide. Milir reary standards and associated implementing docustem nents are also being prepared.

now The Navy and the Air Force have indicated a keen thanterest in these basic loads and a program will be Instituted to develop adapters to accommodate various Tange terminations. It is anticipated that the bulk of he multitudinous load applications presently in use houl will be obsoleted by this single family of loads effectnpleing a decrease in cost due to central procurement and

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Automatic Interpolation with Spiral-Scale Dials

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M EASURING instruments having non-linear characteristics, such as heterodyne frequency meters, have in the past been provided with linear dial scales which require that measurements be determined by making an interpolating computation. The dial described here¹ permits such interpolated measurements to be read directly without computation; the required interpolation being effected automatically by manipulation of the dial. The principle of operation, a discussion of the factors that affect applicability, and design equations are given in this article.

The Problem

The interpolation of readings on non-linear instruments becomes necessary when a single non-linear dial scale which would cover the entire range of the instrument becomes too long to be physically practicable, and a shorter scale must do service for several different portions of the instrument's range. For example, on the TS-186/U Frequency Meter (which is provided with a single turn scale and a turns counter) readings of an unknown frequency are taken by first noting the dial readings at two bracketing crystalcontrolled frequencies, a and c, which are 5 mc apart, then noting the dial reading, b, at the unknown frequency and determining the known frequency by making the linear interpolation

$$fx - fa = \frac{fb - fa}{fc - fa} \times 5 mc$$

and adding this value to the known frequency measured at a. In this way, the same single-turn linear dial scale is made to serve over a hundred different frequency intervals on the instrument, each of which requires a scale of unique length. However, the advantage of being able to use a single short scale in this manner has the disadvantage of requiring the operator of the instrument to make an interpolation by calculation (or by looking-up recorded results of such interpolation in a book).

Scale Expansion and Compression

It is apparent that this disadvantage can only be overcome if a dial which was effectively extensible or compressible were available, for then the dial could be made to correspond to each different portion of the instrument's range. The dial mechanism incorporated in the PRD Type 504 Heterodyne Frequency Meter (Fig. 1) makes such expansion or contraction of scale length possible. The essential feature of this dial mechanism is a scale of spiral form operating relative to a moveable, rather than fixed index line. When the position of the index line is changed, the dial must be turned by a different amount in order to get the same readings. This, effectively is extension or compression of the dial scale.

In Fig. 2 and 3 is shown how changing the position of the index line effects such a scale expansion. In Fig. 2, the index line is in a radial position; that is, it lies in the same plane as the axis of rotation of the dial, and the dial must be turned through an angle of 260 deg to go from the "0" on the scale (as shown in solid line) to the "5" on the scale (as shown in the dashed line).

In Fig. 3, the index, which is mounted so that it can pivot, has been turned through a small angle, and no longer lies in a radial plane. The result is that the dial must now be turned through an angle of 287 deg to go from "0" to "5". Tilting the index has thus made the dial scale 27 deg or approximately 10 per cent longer. Tilting the index in the opposite direction makes the dial scale shorter. The greater the tilt angle o index, the greater the increase or decrease in length. 0

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The reason that tilting the index line, lengther shortens the dial scale is due to the fact that point on the scale is at a different distance from center of the dial. If the index is tilted too far course, it will no longer intersect the spiral scale. T the angle of tilt allowable, and consequently, amount of expansion or contraction available is ited.



Fig. 1. Automatic Interpolation dial in use on PRD Type 504 Heterodyne Frequency Meter.

[&]quot;Now with The Hoover Company, North Canton, Ohio. ¹Potent pending.

How The Dial Operates

Then the non-linearity of an instrument is so great one spiral scale cannot be expanded or contracted only to fit all portions of the instrument's range, or more spirals of different actual length can be d. It is for this reason that the PRD Type 504 erodyne Frequency Meter has two spiral scales. outer spiral is generally used at the low frencies and the inner spiral at the higher frequencies. dial mechanism on this meter is operated in the mer shown in Fig. 4 in measuring an unknown quency. The disk on which the dial scales appear hot fixedly attached to the control shaft but is pled to it by a friction clutch. This permits the I to be turned around, for zero-setting purposes, holding the control shaft.

to provide a convenient means for holding the conshaft, a lock is provided which engages the larger k in back of the dial. The disk is attached fixedly the shaft, so that by clamping it, the shaft is held. coarse indication of frequency appears in the recgular window at the left of the dial. It should be ed that the pivot axis of the index is at the same tance from the dial center of rotation as is the "0" aduation on the spiral scale. This makes it possible tilt the index to any position without affecting the bo setting of the dial.

Up to this point, the tacit implication has been de that points or graduations on the spiral scale lich are equal angular distances apart relative to a ial position of the index will be equal angular disces apart relative to the index in a tilted position. put it another way, any mark or graduation on the ral, such as the "1" or "2" in Fig. 2, which is 1/5 or



Fig. 3. Angular rotation of dial required to go rom 0 to 5, when index line is in a tilted position.



TURN TUNING KNOB TO OBTAIN ZERO-BEAT WITH SIGNAL.

2. TURN SAME KNOB COUNTER-CLOCKWISE SO BEATING WITH NEAREST 5 Mc/s CRYSTAL FREQUENCY IS OBTAINED. TO OVERCOME BACKLASH TURN PAST THIS POINT ABOUT I/8 TURN AND THEN CAREFULLY TURN CLOCKWISE TO ZERO.

3. TURN SHAFT LOCK CLOCKWISE UNTIL IT IS TIGHT.

4. READ VALUE OF FUNDAMENTAL FREQUENCY (TO THE NEAREST 5 Mc/s) AND RECORD IT.



5. TURN DIAL BY MEANS OF ITS KNURLED EDGE SO THAT ZERO MARK IS UNDER HAIRLINE OF INDEX. (INDEX MAY BE IN ANY POSITION.)

6.RELEASE SHAFT LOCK BY TURNING IT COUNTER-CLOCKWISE.

TURN KNOB CLOCKWISE UNTIL ZERO BEAT IS OBTAINED WITH THE VERY NEXT 5 Mc/s CRYSTAL CHECK FREQUENCY.



8. TURN INDEX BY MEANS OF SMALL KNURLED DISK SO THAT HAIRLINE COINCIDES WITH "5" GRADUATION ON INNER SPIRAL SCAL IF POSSIBLE, OTHERWISE, SET TO "5" GRAD-UATION ON OUTER SPIRAL.

9. TURN KNOB COUNTER-CLOCKWISE ABOUT I/8 TURN PAST SIGNAL FREQUENCY AND THEN SET IT TO ZERO BEAT BY TURNING CLOCKWISE.

IO. READ SAME SPIRAL OF DIAL AS WAS USED IN STEP 8.

II. READING OF STEP IO ADDED TO THAT OF STEP 4 EQUALS FUNDAMENTAL FREQUENCY OF LOCAL OSCILLATOR. SIGNAL FREQUENCY IS EQUAL TO OR SOME MULTIPLE OF THIS.

Fig. 4. Instructions for operating spiral-scale interpolating dial on PRD Type 504 frequency, meter, to determine frequency of a signal.



Fig. 5. Spiral of Archimedes dial scale.



Fig. 6. Error of spiral scales as a function of location of point on scale, g.

2/5 of 260 deg around on the spiral should intersect the index in the tilted position of Fig. 3, when the dial is turned through 1/5 or 2/5 of 287 deg, respectively. Such a condition obviously is necessary in order that the linear interpolation described above is valid.² However, this condition is never precisely satisfied; intermediate points on the scale are always slightly out of place, or in error, when the index is tilted (except for the singular case to be described). The suitability of this dial mechanism for any particular instrument is governed by the magnitude of this structural error. The remainder of this article is therefore devoted to a discussion of the factors that affect its inaccuracy.

Accuracy

The inaccuracy or structural error at any position is best defined as the difference in angle between the position of the dial as shown by the intersection of the scale with the index and the actual position of the dial when the dial is operated in the manner shown in Fig. 4. By definition, the error at both ends of the dial is zero. The magnitude of the structural error for any particular point on the scale depends on the angle of tilt of the index line and on the shape of the





spiral scale. It is entirely independent of the angular length of the scale, even when the spiral has more than one convolution.

The spiral scale shown in Fig. 5 has an arbitrary angular length, Δ , and the radii of the outer and inner ends are, respectively, r+a, and r. The index line pivots about the fixed point, A, which is also at a distance r+a from O. When the index is in a tilted position, the effective expansion of the entire scale is the angle, ω , and the expansion (or contraction) for an intermediate point, G, at an angle $q\Delta$ from the outer end, is the engle, α . In order for the structural error, as defined above, to be zero:

$$\frac{\alpha}{\omega} = \frac{q\Delta}{\Delta}$$

$$\alpha = q\omega$$

The structural error, therefore, may be defined as:

$\epsilon = q \omega - \alpha$

By an application of the Law of Sines it can easily be shown that:

$$\omega = \operatorname{Arc} \operatorname{Sin} \left[\left(\frac{r+a}{r} \right) \operatorname{Sin} \gamma \right] - \gamma$$

or

$$\alpha = \operatorname{Arc} \operatorname{Sin} \left[\left(\frac{r+a}{r+ka} \right) \operatorname{Sin} \gamma \right] - \gamma.$$



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To determine the error from these equations, it is necessary to know the relationship between q and k, and this depends on the shape of the spiral. For the simplest spiral-the Spiral of Archimedes-q = l-k, so that ε can be easily evaluated. Curves of the error obtained with a Spiral of Archimedes, for which r = 0.9 and a = 1.0, are shown in Fig. 6 and 7. (This is the spiral actually shown in Fig. 5.)

In Fig. 6, the error is shown as a function of q; that is, for different positions of the point G on the scale. The curve shown is for the particular angle of inder tilt which provides an angle of expansion of 22 deg. This curve indicates that the maximum error at this setting occurs at q = 0.6. In Fig. 7, the error is shown as a function of the angle of expansion; that is, for varying angles of tilt of the index. The curve shown is for the particular point, G, for which q = 0.6.

These curves plainly show that, for the purpose of an expandable dial scale, the Spiral of Archimedes is unsuitable; except perhaps where a very small range of expansion is required. The underlying reason for this unsuitability of the Archimedes' Spiral is the fact that equal angular segments at different radii sweep through different angles in passing a tilted index line. At larger radii, smaller angles are swept through. It was reasoned, therefore, that to reduce the error, a spiral with a more rapidly increasing radius vector is needed. Furthermore, the author conceived that there was a way of constructing a special spiral curve which would have no error whatever for at least one particu-

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Non-linear or curvilinear interpolation with this dial mechanism is also possible. All that is required to obtain such interpolation is that the spiral scale be graduated, i.e. angularly divided, in a non-linear manner. For example, the scale can be divided logarithmically by making the angle between each succeeding pair of graduations equal to a constant fraction of the angle between the preceding pair.

lar angle of tilt of the index, as well as no error for the radial position of the index.

The spiral, as shown in Fig. 8, is constructed by first drawing the line AB at an arbitrary angle, γ_0 , and then transforming this line into the spiral by distorting the angular coordinate of each point on the line by a constant multiplier, while preserving the radius vector coordinate unchanged. Thus, point D at angle $\Delta =$ $C\omega_0$ and radius r corresponds to point B at angle ω_0 and radius r; and point G at angle $q\Delta = cq \omega_0$ and radius r+ka corresponds to point F at angle $q\omega_0$ and radius r+ka. It can be shown that this special spiral has an equation of the form:

$$o Cos\left(\frac{\theta}{C}\right) = \text{ constant},$$

which is known as Cotes' Spiral. Both Cotes' Spiral and the Spiral of Archimedes are shown in Fig. 9 for comparison and clearly illustrates how much more rapidly the former increases in radius with increase in angle.

The spiral, shown in Fig. 8 and 9, has c = 7; but for our purposes, c can have any value. Its error properties are not a function of c. By virtue of its construction this spiral can have no error when the index is tilted at angle γ_0 . This is because the effective angle of expansion (or contraction) of the whole scale is ω_0 , while that for point G is $\alpha = q\omega_0$. Thus, the ratio of these angles is q, which is the requirement for zero error. However, there is an error at all angles of $\gamma \ddagger \gamma_0$ and $\gamma \ddagger 0$. This can readily be determined from the previous equations, after q is evaluated from:

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$$q = \frac{\alpha_o}{\omega_o} = \frac{\operatorname{Arc\,Sin}\left[\left(\frac{r+a}{r+ka}\right)\operatorname{Sin\,}\gamma_o\right] - \gamma_o}{\operatorname{Arc\,Sin}\left[\left(\frac{r+a}{r}\right)\operatorname{Sin\,}\gamma_o\right] - \gamma_o}.$$

Curves of the error obtained with a Cotes' Spiral having an angle $\gamma_0 = 25$ deg and the same values of r and a as for the Archimede's Spiral previously discussed, are shown for the same angle of ω in Fig. 6, and for q = 0.57 in Fig. 7. They are plotted with reversed sign (which is of no consequence), to aid comparison. Perhaps the most noteworthy observation to be made from these curves is that for the same allowable error of 1.2 deg, Cotes' Spiral permits expanding or contracting the scale by 42.5 deg while the Spiral of Archimedes would only permit 6.5 deg. The spiral scales used on the PRD Type 504 Heterodyne Frequency Meter dial are Cotes' Spirals having these proportions (the outer scale being identical to that in Fig. 8, and the inner scale differing only in that c = 5instead of 7. The maximum percentage error caused by the use of these scales occurs at the lowest fundamental frequency, which is 500 mc, at which point the outer 260 deg scale is stretched to about 300 deg. As this 300 deg of dial rotation represents 5 mc or 1.0 per cent of the frequency, the 1.2 deg error that can occur amounts to only 0.004 per cent of the frequency.



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This treated-fiber wedge-shape absorber material (Eccosorb CHW) is useful at VHF, UHF and microwave frequencies. The wedges are mounted on a plywood panel and are used mainly in darkrooms. Because of its wide frequency coverage, it is useful in making simultaneous tests on several antennas. For example, a complete aircraft could be placed in such a darkroom and all electronic equipment tested to simulate in-flight performance. **ELECTROMAGNETIC** energy absorbers to simulate free-space are currently produced to cover the VHF, UHF and microwave frequency ranges. Described here are characteristics of available absorbing materials, methods of selecting, and application.

Where Used

The largest use for free space absorber is in antenna measurement darkrooms, sometimes termed "anechoic chambers" because of the audio analogy. Antenna measurements can be made indoors with the same accuracy of outdoor test range measurements, but with none of the weather uncertainty. The darkroom can be shielded with metal screening on the outside surface or may be unshielded depending upon whether external electrical disturbances are presen The absorbing material is applied to walls, ceiling, an floor of the room. Attachment is done by impaling the absorber on nails, cementing, or tying with twine.

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Free-space absorber is used in enclosures to pr vent unwanted reflections. Housings which conta antennas are frequently lined with absorber at ce tain critical areas. This prevents reflected energ from detuning the transmitter; it also eliminates u wanted echoes on the radar presentation. Many rada antenna nacelles aboard aircraft are so lined. Are in which magnetrons or other transmitting tubes a located can be lined in order to absorb radiation.

For most free-space applications it is imperati that the absorber be broad-banded. Thus, if the fr



Fig. 1. Reflection from selected absorbers.







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ency of the incident energy changes, the absorber activeness is undiminished. At the present stage of velopment, broad-band absorbers have a thickness ich is dependent upon the longest wavelength to used. An absorber which is effective at S band cm wavelength) can also be used at X band 2 cm) and K band (1.0 cm) with at least equal ectiveness.

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h addition to the free space absorbers, other matehare produced for use in waveguides and coaxial asmission lines. Supplied in rod or sheet form, se materials are machined for use as terminations, mmy loads, and attenuators. There are two general uses of absorbers for these uses-those which have dielectric dissipation factor and those with a magnetic dissipation factor. The former materials bulk conductive.

Absorption Theory

A broad-band electromagnetic energy absorber is so structed that dissipative material is increased with pth. Incident energy is confronted with a material ich does not differ greatly from free space; i.e., a d match is made. As the energy proceeds into the sorber, it is confronted with more dissipative mateand it eventually becomes greatly attenuated.



Fig. 4. Floor construction for darkroom using wedge-type absorber. For details, see text.

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Standard Manufactured Absorbers									
Description	Temperature Range	Wavelength Range	Frequency Range	Bands Covered	Size	Thickness Nominal	Weight Per Sq Ft	Eccosorb Type	
	94 to +180 F	13 cm and all shorter	2300 Mc and up	S,C,A,B, X,G,K	12‴x36″	2"	10 oz	FR 330	
Rigid foam block for microwave darkroom		32 cm and all shorter	940 Mc and up	L and S,C,A,B, X,G,K	12″×36″	4″	1 lb 4 oz	FR 340	
		66 cm and all shorter	455 Mc and up	UHF and L,S,C,A,B, X,G,K	12‴x36″	8″	2 lb 8 oz	FR 350	
Modification of rigid foam block for flooring applications		Date Abs	a on the v orber has th	arious types nin laminate	of Eccosor facing to di	b FR appli stribute loo	es. ad.		
	94 to +300 F	1.5 cm and all shorter	20 kMc and up	ĸ	24"x24"	1/8″	0.6 oz	AN 72	
Flexible foam sheet for		4.0 cm and all shorter	7.5 Mc and up	X,G,K	24''x24''	3/8″	2.0 oz	AN 73	
antenna enclosures and airborne uses		8.6 cm and all shorter	3.5 kMc and up	C,A,B, X,G,K	24''x24''	5/8″	4.0 oz	AN 74	
		12.5 cm and all shorter	2.4 kMc and up	S,C,A,B, X,G,K	24"×24"	1″	5.0 oz	AN 75	
Rigid foam block for	-94 to +1200 F	4.0 cm and all shorter	7.5 kMc and up	X,G,K	24"x24"	1/2″	6 oz	HT 620	
extreme temperature USe		12.5 cm and a!l shorter	2,4 kMc and up	S,C,A,B, X,G,K	12‴x12″	۱″	12 oz	HT 630	
	-94 to +200 F	13 cm and all shorter	2300 Mc and up	S,C,A,B, X,G,K	24"x24"	2″	1 lb	CH 460	
Enmeshed fiber Sheet for darkrooms		32 cm and all shorter	940 Mc and up	L and S,C,A,B, X,G,K	24''x24''	4"	1 lb 12 oz	CH 475	
		66 cm and all shorter	455 Mc and up	UHF and L,S,C,A,B, X,G,K	24''x24''	8″	2 lb 6 oz	CH 490	
Two wedges mounted on plywood panel for	94 to -+200 F	600 cm and all shorter	50 Mc and up	VHF, UHF and all Micro- wave bands	24"*x24"	Wedge He [:] ght 54″	Unit Weight 27 Ib	CHW 560	
plywood panel for extremely wide band darkrooms		300 cm and all shorter	100 Mc and up		24''x24''	28″	17 ib	CHW 570	
		150 cm and all shorter	200 Mc and up	**	12"x12"	15"	13 lb	CHW 580	

The exact nature of the change in electrical propero ties of the absorber with depth is the key to man of facture of a high efficiency material.

In designating a broad-band absorber, the lowe frequency of usefulness is given. The absorber is the useful at all higher frequencies. This is illustrated i Fig. 1 for a few selected materials. There are seven members of each absorber type; each with a desinated lower frequency limit.

Broad-band absorber functions equally we whether backed by a reflective surface or not. Energy is attenuated to such a degree in passing through the absorptive material that an insignificant amount present at the back surface. A metal or screen room is, therefore, not required so far as the absorber concerned. The screen room merely prevents extern electrical disturbances affecting the test area.

Absorber Rating

Absorbers are usually rated with respect to return power at normal incidence. Most absorbers are rate at a maximum of 2 per cent reflection of incide energy. This means that reflected power is down 1 db with respect to transmitted power. Certain al sorbers will operate over the temperature range fro -94 F (-70 C) to +1200 F (+648 C), are unaffecte by humidity, are non-flammable and are light i weight.

Reflection Measurements

A typical set-up for reflection measurement diagrammed in Fig. 2. The transmitting and receiving horns are at essentially the same location with their axes normal to the plane of the sample. Powereflection from the sample when backed with a metaplate is compared with power reflection from the metal plate alone. The metal plate is aligned to return the maximum signal.

Reflectivity is expressed as a per cent or as d down. For some applications, reflected power a angles other than normal are important. The horn are merely adjusted appropriately in azimuth. The power reflected from the sample is calculated as per cent of the power reflected from the plate at thes new locations.

A typical curve for a good quality absorber a various angles of incidence is shown in Fig. 3. Ce tain absorbers are sensitive to polarization. It is, then fore, good practice to measure samples at mutual perpendicular polarizations. At high incidence angle reflected power increases significantly. This usual it not disadvantageous, due to the fact that energy a high incidence angles is not reflected back directly t the source but strikes other absorbing material. Mu tiple reflection, of course, attenuates the energy enormously.

Darkroom Considerations

Construction of a darkroom is relatively simple Wooden 2 x 4's are usually adequate. Only a fram prope to which the absorber is attached is needed. The cost man of absorber for S, X and K band measurements in the

oon (3 walls, floor and ceiling) would be about lowe \$2000. Attachment of the absorber is done by impalis the ing on nails, cementing or tying with twine. For the walls, it is convenient to drive nails into the wood and ated i mpale the absorber on them. Reflection from the seven nails embedded in the absorber is negligible. Wedgedesi

type absorber (see photo) is available mounted on plywood panels. Screw inserts in the panels permit Energe mounting by bolts through the 2 x 4's.

Ceiling mounting is usually done by the use of a igh th muck setting cement, or by tying. Nails or hooks have ount n root also been used. One method consists of attaching the bsorber to large plywood panels which they rest on orber extempthe ground and then inverting and lifting them to the

eiling. Several possibilities exist with respect to the arkroom floor. Loose pieces of absorber can be laced on the floor only where needed and may be hifted as required. The rigid foam sheet absorber is eturne vailable in a form suitable for flooring. A very thin e rate berglass laminate facing is applied to the foam to ncider ermit walking on it and for the bearing of moderate own 1 ads. Complete absorber room floors can be put ain al own using this material. ge fro

When using the wedge type absorber on floors, a affecte orking floor can be laid of fibreglass laminate as ight i hown in Fig. 4. Reflections from this "transparent" berglass floor are small except in the microwave nge. Pieces of rigid foam absorber could, of course, placed on top of the "transparent" floor when nent icrowave measurements are to be made.

receiv For highly critical applications, baffles made of abon wit rber are used in the microwave darkroom. These Powe nsist of movable wooden frames to which absorber a met attached. Baffles are so located that undesirable om th diation undergoes multiple reflection. Selection of to re sorbing material and judicious use of baffles can re-

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Available Absorbers

Absorbers generally have a white surface so that ood lighting conditions can be maintained, and they e made from fire retardent materials. Various avail-

ble standard types of free-space absorber are listed. simple ontoured pieces and a few special types are made on a fram custom basis.



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RF and IF Amplifier Design with Conductance Curves

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VACUUM tube conductance curves¹ can be employed directly as a tool in the design of **rf and if** amplifiers. The **rf** or if amplifier is slightly more complicated than a **rc** voltage amplifier because of the regenerative feedback problem and the range of amplification which needs to be available without manual adjustment. Control of amplification is usually obtained by automatic biasing of the amplifiers for amplitude type of modulation, or automatic biasing and limiting for frequency or phase type of modulation. Discussed here, with the aid of tube conductance curves, are recommended tube operating conditions, and their associated circuit parameters. A few helpful suggestions for chassis layout, socket orientation, and electrical grounding are made.

The Basic Tuned Amplifier

In a tuned amplifier having not more than two amplifying stages at a given frequency, the regeneration problem is primarily one of reducing magnetic and capacitive couplings to well below the level which may provide unity voltage feedback. In multistage tuned amplifiers, electromagnetic field propagation must be considered in addition to direct magnetic and capacitive coupling.

The distribution of coupling currents and chassis currents needs careful attention in all tuned amplifiers. The selection of an input grounding point and an output grounding point for each amplifying stage is the first step in the actual construction of an rf or an if amplifier stage. The grid pin on the tube socket should be oriented toward the input circuit and the socket hole actually located as close as possible to the input circuit. Then, the output circuit should be located as close as possible to the plate pin of the socket. The output bypass point is located near the plate pin of the tube.

Where a separate suppressor connection is provided for a tube, the screen bypass should be returned to the input ground. The suppressor then is returned to the output ground. The plate decoupling circuit by pass also is returned to the output ground. If a single tuned circuit is used interstage, the output ground for the first stage and the input ground for the succeeding stage may be a common point. The bypass circuits connected to the various common ground points should be arranged to provide sufficiently small impedance to the rf voltages applied to the tube compared to the input, output, shunt, and cathode impedances, so that good isolation is provided. Some of the interrelations affecting the isolation are considered in connection with the experimental designs.

The design of the tuned amplifier is accomplished in the same manner as for the resistance coupled amplifier. The equation for amplification of the tuned amplifier is

$$\mathbf{A} = -\mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{M}}\mathbf{Z}_{\mathbf{L}} \tag{1}$$

where Z_L is the resonant impedance of the tuned circuit. A combination of a static and a dynamic load line is required.

The Limitation of Amplification

Tuned amplifiers normally have to be designed to provide amplification of a limited magnitude. If the voltage amplification provided becomes unduly large, the tube plate to grid feedback may become excessive, causing oscillation. To show the feedback effect, assume that an if amplifier for a center frequency of 5 mc is to be built, using 6CB6 tubes. Single tuned circuits are to be used as interstage coupling circuits for this design. The screen characteristics curves of the 6CB6 tube of Fig. 1 show that for small signal levels, operation with a plate current of about 5.2 ma and a transconductance of about 6000 µmhos may be obtained with a screen voltage of about 60 v and a bias of -1/2 v. For a stage amplification of approximately 20, the load impedance ZL, should have a maximum value of 3300 ohms. The reactance of the grid to plate capacitance should be of the order of 250,000 ohms at 5 mc for a stable amplifier design. This reactance corresponds to a grid to plate capacitance of 0.13 µµf. Since the grid to plate capacitance of the 6CB6 amplifier, including stray capacitance could probably be held to 0.13 $\mu\mu f$, an amplification of 20 per stage should prove satisfactory at 5 mc.

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The choice of the screen series resistor, if use and the cathode series resistor is entirely conventiona Frequently, the screen and plate supply voltages at taken equal, to reduce the number of parts in pract cal amplifier designs. Since this reduction of numbe of parts may result in an increase of mutual couplin between the input and the output of the tube, cauth should be used in the choice of the simplified circu for practical problems.

Choice of bypass capacitors, particularly for the screen, may require special consideration. Variation of screen voltage, because of the resultant cross coupling in an rf or an if amplifier, should be kept not more than 1/20 of the incoming grid signal. The lower the magnitude of the signal voltage developed in the screen circuit, the more effective is the isolation, and the more stable the resulting amplifier. I convenient equation for the tolerable amplification in the screen circuit is:

$G_{M} X_{C_2} Z_{C_2} < 0.05$

where Z_{C_2} is the effective impedance from screen ground, and X_{C_2} the screen factor. Fixed tuned a plifier circuits may profitably use resonant bypa capacitors to reduce the screen signal voltage to 1 smallest possible value.

Nominal size of the bypass capacitor for eith screen or cathode may be a poor measure of its b passing effectiveness. For effective isolation, the a tual screen structure within the tube must be held ground potential. Either short, stubby, low inducti reactance leads to both sides of the bypass capacil itself must be provided, or the structure must resonated. Resonating of the screen circuit to groun may be accomplished by removal of plate and scree voltages from the tube whose screen is being reso ated, and adjustment of the screen capacitor le lengths to provide minimum signal feed-through the tube. Cathode degeneration should be used sparingly in amplifiers tuned to frequencies above 10 mc. The reactances of stray capacitances and inductances normally present in tube circuits can introduce serious difficulties, due to sneak regeneration paths when signal frequencies are high.

As the operating frequency of an rf or an if amplifier is increased, the stage amplification which can be obtained without instability becomes less and less. Possibly fortunately, the effect of transit time loading becomes serious as the effect of low grid to plate reactance becomes serious. The combination of both these factors is to reduce the available amplification.

Bandwidth, Q, and Impedance

The relation between tuned circuit Q and bandwidth may become rather involved in the high frequency tuned amplifier. Where natural circuit loading is small, and the required bandwidth is small, the

tance icatio c. tuned circuit should, if possible, be designed to provide the required load impedance without swamping resistance. This results, when properly compensated for temperature effects and similar phenomena, in a high C type of circuit having a high inherent stability and good selectivity. For the 5 mc if amplifier mentioned earlier, for example, use of a tuned circuit having a O of 100 would require coil and capacitor reactance levels of 33 ohms. Approximately 1000 µµf capacitance is required for this circuit. Where additional bandwidth is required to be obtained by resistive swamping, the tuned impedance required should be divided by the required loaded Q to give the design reactance levels. Then, sufficient loading resistance is added to provide the required load impedance.

In amplifiers using double tuned circuits, the same basic principles apply. Limitation of amplification to minimize oscillation requires that the load impedance be determined by Eq. 1, and also by a feedback calculation to make certain that with the grid circuit impedance selected, the signal voltage fed back is small compared to the input voltage. A designer would at first think that one could limit the amplification in the plate circuit and obtain additional amplification by an impedance transformation between the coupled coils. He finds, however, that the increase in grid circuit impedance which results, reduces the amount of amplification which can be obtained to a point that no advantage is obtained. Since the grid circuit impedance rises as the square of the voltage step-up ratio, the intrastage amplification permitted is an inverse function of the square of the voltage ratio. The overall plate to plate amplification then depends on the inverse one-half power of the grid circuit inductance. The significance of this condition in optimizing the signal-to-noise ratio of input stages appears worthy of study.





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The bandpass built into any receiver should be kept as small as the physical limitations of the design problem permit. Attenuation of strong interfering signals prior to cross-modulation with the desired signal is the most effective means of controlling interference yet found. The use of broad-band, or overcoupled, input transformers, although satisfactory with small signals, should consequently be avoided wherever possible. Design of stability into an amplifier stage does not necessarily require broad-banding, if adequate attention is given to proper choice of impedance levels and proper components in the interstage circuits. The design of low inductance coils having adequate Q and the selection of the proper size capacitors are the main problems faced in the design of the required low impedance circuits.

The Design of Variable Gain Amplifiers

Variable gain amplifiers are frequently used to compensate for variations of signal strength of one or more received signals. The usual method of varying the gain of an amplifier is the use of some form of bias control of tube transconductance. The form of curves normally provided for pentodes, does not provide the design information needed where variable gain is required. Data on tube transconductance from values as low as 10 to as high as 5000 to 10,000 µmhos may be required to meet the range of amplification needed

in some practical problems.

Assume that a three stage 465 kc if amplifier, shown in Fig. 2, is required, which will develop a bias for any incoming signal having more than 3 v peak amplitude at the detector. The amplifier shall provide a maximum amplification of 15,000, and shall function properly with a 0.1 v peak input. The minimum peak input signal which will activate the AVC bias then is 200 µv.

Establishment of a design to provide proper operation with minimum signal input requires techniques of the sort already discussed in detail. Setting the design to handle adequately the entire range of signals is new examined. The 6BJ6 tube is used in this design and the conductance curves for this tube are shown by Fig. 3. The nominal load impedance of each plate load circuit is set by the required maximum amplification per stage of 25. Assuming a maximum effective transconductance of 3000 for each stage, the load impedance required is about 9000 ohms for unity interstage transformer amplification. The screen supply voltage is arbitrarily chosen as 100 v.

Uniform distribution of the amplification among the three stages would require a minimum stage gain of between 4 and 5. Assuming a stage amplification of 5 for an input of 0.1, gives an output of 12.5 v. The available bias then is 9.5 v. A quick check of the feedback loop shows that the output will not be quite 12.5 v, since 9.5 v AVC bias would limit the stage amplification to 1.53.

An iterative calculation yields the correct bias and stage amplification. With a 100 v screen potential and six v bias, each stage would have an amplification of 4. The overall amplification of 64 would provide a bias of 3.4 v. For a 5.7 v bias, the stage amplification of about 4.4 develops about 5.5 v bias. Consequently, a 0.1 v incoming signal produces an output of about 8.5 v and a bias of about 5.6 v.

Linearity is the next question. The 1.9 v final amplifier stage peak excursion either side of the mean bias point will produce non-linearity and distortion. The distortion is nearly 15 percent. This high a percentage of distortion in general is not tolerable. The designer might either raise the screen voltage or decrease the AVC voltage on the last tube in the amplifier. In either of these ways, or by use of both together, one may reduce the distortion appreciably.

One of the reasons the large distortion is developed with strong signals in this amplifier is the large signal voltage which must be developed to provide the bias for the gain control action. The use of an AVC amplifier, since it could reduce the amount of excess signal voltage required to provide control, would provide both a more constant amplification and a lower amplifier distortion. For example, a triode or a pentode amplifier, which used a negative supply and

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ad its control grid biased about 3 v below cutoff, would provide both the delayed action desired and so the required constancy of output level. Maximum ficiency in this amplifier would be obtained by the se of a crystal rectifier and filter rather than using the tube as a bias rectifier. Since only a fraction of a volt over 3 v signal now would produce as much as 8or 10 v AVC, the amplifier distortion would be markdly reduced. Proper distribution of the volume con-

dly reduced. Proper distribution of the volume conrol action among the various stages of the amplifier and the use of the AVC voltage amplifier in most cases can provide an amplifier having both low disortion and excellent constancy of amplification.

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The fixed minimum bias applied under no-signal ronditions has been ignored in the above discussion. A zero signal bias of -1.5 v is required to provide he net zero signal gain of the amplifier. Since this has is normally provided by the flow of the cathode current through a bypassed cathode resistor, the effect of the cathode bias with large amounts of AVC becomes small enough to be neglected.

As an example of the design of an amplifier for mplified AVC operation, assume that a6BH6 pende were to be used as a delayed AVC amplifier, hown in Fig. 4. A crystal rectifier is to be used to ectify the rf being applied to the AVC rectifier. The mplifier is biased 3 v below approximate cutoff. Taking the 6HB6 screen to cathode potential to be 5 v, a net bias of approximately -6 v is required. Using a plate load resistance of 20,000 ohms and a hate supply voltage of 100 v, 0.5 ma of plate current the amplifier will produce an AVC of 10 v. Since net bias of -2.2 v produces the 0.5 ma plate current hange, a peak signal of 3.8 v amplitude can limit the mplification by the application of 10 v AVC. The werall if amplification per amplifier stage will be pproximately unity for 10 v bias. Consequently, an nput signal range from 200 µv to about 4 v would e provided with an input change of only one third. Checking the effect of distortion shows that the mplification of the final amplifier stage of the amlifier cannot be reduced as much as the amplificaions of the earlier stages. If the maximum incoming ignal in the above amplifier were 0.1 v peak, then, he final amplifier stage should have an amplification 10 with maximum input signal. With a screen oltage of 100 v on the 6BI6 tubes, and a final stage mplification of 10, a bias of -8.8 v is required on the ist two stages. The peak output of the amplifier then presponds to about 3.5 v for a 0.1 v input, as against v for 200 µv input.

Limiter Amplifiers

In fm receivers, removal of incidental amplitude nodulation is obtained by the use of limiting amplilers. Basically, there are two types of limiters, the lymmetrical, and the non-symmetrical. The symmetrital limiter usually uses either a pair of biased diodes or a cathode coupled clipper, shown in Fig. 5. The non-symmetrical clipper uses a grid rec-

tification and cut-off to accomplish its action. The non-symmetrical limiter is the more commonly used form.

The symmetrical limiter appears to introduce a smaller magnitude of carrier phase shift as a function of signal amplitude than the non-symmetrical limiter. This is a result of two considerations. The first consideration is that with the symmetrical limiter, the limiting is localized in one or two stages exclusively. The second consideration is that the symmetry causes the tuned circuit in the output of the limiter, which is shock excited by the limiter output current pulses, to be excited in relatively unchanged form regardless of the applied signal voltage. Consequently, where phase stability is important, use of symmetrical limiting is indicated. Conventional if amplifier design techniques apply to the amplifier used with biased diode limiting.

Non-symmetrical limiter stages frequently are used in pairs. In the average limiting amplifier, the number of tubes actively limiting an incoming signal may increase as the input signal voltage is increased. Where carrier phase stability need not be considered, the limiting action obtained is entirely adequate.

Normally, the non-symmetrical limiter circuit uses a rectification biased (zero bias static) pentode having a screen voltage low enough so that limiting is obtained with comparatively small changes in grid voltage. For a 6AH6 tube whose conductance curves are shown in Fig. 6, with a 20 v screen voltage for example, limiting occurs on input signals exceeding 0.5 v peak to peak.² Since the limiter clips the negative peaks only, two limiters in cascade are required to minimize the effects of noise on both negative and positive peaks.

Non-symmetrical limiters should be designed to use sharp cut-off pentodes, operating at a very low fixed value of screen voltage. Only then can the desired limiter characteristics be obtained.

One caution should be mentioned with regard to limiter and discriminator circuits. Arguimbau and Granlund² have shown that wide band tuned circuits are essential in all circuits following a nonlinearity in an fm receiver. If adequately wide band tuned circuits are used, the desired signal does not lose control of the limiters and the discriminator. Consequently, loss of readability of a signal occurs at an appreciably lower signal-to-noise ratio.

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peak voltage output that may be varied from 1 v to 1 mv. Output wave has a rise time of 0.25 usecs and is flat at top and bottom. Operating temperature is 0 F to 140 F.

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Correction

The precision potentiometer, Helipot Series 5300, announced on page 74 of the November 1 issue was erroneously stated to have a diameter of 1-1/2 in. The correct diameter is 1-1/4 in.



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sonic analyzer LP-1a, used for spectrum analysis of sounds, vibrations and waveforms. With this analyzer, any audio-frequency parameter, having first been converted to an electrical waveform by a sensing device such as a microphone, is presented as a visual waveform picture. Relative strength of various components, individual distortion components, changes in energy, and the like can be seen, measured and recorded. Frequency and amplitude data can be compared and analyzed. The LP-1a is versatile, substituting for many different types of machines and testing methods, and eliminating complicated point by point measurements.

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The 6AW8-A is a general-purpose high-mu triode, sharp-cutoff pentode of the 9-pin miniature type intended for application in television receivers. The pentode unit is especially useful as a video amplifier tube, video intermediate-frequency amplifier tube, or a an automatic-gain controlled amplifier tube. The triode unit may be used in sync-amplifier, sync-separator, ync-clipper, and phase-inverter cir-

The 6AW8-A is like the popular AW8 but features a pentode unit aving a plate-current characteristic with a controlled knee to provide good inearity at relatively low plate voltge and a high value of transconductnce (9000 µmhos). In addition, this ube is designed with a 600-ma heater aving a controlled warm-up time to nsure dependable performance in alevision receivers employing seies heater-string arrangement. The AW8-A has two cathodes with inlividual base-pin terminals.

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PRECISION IN MINIATURES

High bond strength and excellent electrical properties of Araldite Epoxy Resins make possible the design and production of this chatter-less stator. Formulator: Rubber & Asbestos Corp. Customer: Kollsman Instrument Company.

WHEN PRECISION COUNTS-

Lower photo shows how the outstanding electrical, adhesive and mechanical properties of resins based on CIBA Araldite Epoxies facilitate the precise machining of slip ring assemblies.

Courtesy: Electro-Tec Corp.

CIBA Formulator: Houghton Laboratories, Inc.

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Chromatograph Scanner Charts Radioactivity



Accurate graphical presentation of the activity distribution along a paper chromatogram which has been tagged with lowenergy beta-emitting isotopes is provided by this automatic radioactive chromatograph scanner. The scanner has important advantages over a rectilinear chart. Any of ten different scan-

ning speeds can be selected by setting a lever. Chart and chromatogram speeds are always identical, facilitating reading the result by simple alinement. Chromatograms up to 3 in. width and 5 ft length can be accomodated.

The radioactive chromatograph scanner can be operated without a window to increase its sensitivity to C-14, S-35, H-3, etc. If used with a window, contaminated windows can be exchanged in a few seconds for a cost of less than one cent. All parts of the instrument are designed for easy de-contamination; the scanning head has been made readily removable for that purpose.

Scanning is interrupted automatically when the end of the chromatogram is reached, and in addition an audible signal is given to alert the operator. The instrument is portable, weighing only 32 pounds, and is provided with a convenient carrying handle. Forro Scientific Co., Dept. ED, 833 Lincoln St.,

Evanston, Ill.

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100 Kc Quartz Crystals For Secondary Standards



This quartz crystal unit is sealed in glass and intended for use in secondary frequency. standards. It is a DT-cut, 100-kc element with a tolerance of ± 5 ppm at 70 C, and a temperature coefficient of less than 0.7 ppm per degree C between ± 65 C and ± 75 C. The unit, designated BG9D-S. meas-

ures 3-1/16 in. overall, and is mounted in T-9 bulb with a standard octal base.

Bliley Electric Co., Dept. ED, Union Station Building, Erie, Pa.

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	MINIATURES			BASICS				MULTI-POLE		
DESIGNATION	-	E4		-		51	-		DB	
	SPST SPST SPDT NC NO			SPST NC	SPST NO	SPDT	SPDT 2 Ckt.	DPDT NC	DPDT NO	DPDT 4 Ckt.
AMPS-LIFE @ 125/250 V. AC	2.5A-150,000 CYLS.			10A-750,000				15A-500,000		
AMPS-LIFE @ 30 V. DC IND.	2.5A-50,000 CYLS.			10A-200,000				10A-500,000		
	-65° TO +250° F.*			-100° TO +375° F.º				-100° TO +375° F.º		
WEIGHT	.005 lbs.			10 GRAMS				15 GRAMS		
SIZE (INCHES)	27/3	2 X 23/64 X	0.260	1-1/4 X 1/2 X 1/2				7/8 X 1-1/4 X 1/2		
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AMPS-LIFE @ 125/250 V. AC	2.5A-150,000			40A-100,000			15A-500,000			
AMPS-LIFE @ 30 V. DC IND.	2.5A-50,000			30A-100,000			10A-500,000			
TEMPERATURE RANGE	-65° TO +180° F.			-65° TO +300° F.*			-100° TO +275° F.*			
WEIGHT	IGHT 1 OZ. APPROX.			20 GRAMS			30 GRAMS APPROX.			
SIZE (INCHES)	19/32 X 15/16 X 11/32			1-3/4 X 43/64 X 35/64				1-15/16 X 1-1/4 X .491		

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A new toggle switch with toggles of colored plastic in many colors improves the eye appeal of commercial appliances, and facilitates color coding of multicircuit panel boards. These switches are available in sp, dp and center-off types; with screw, solder, or quick dismount spade terminals, or with wire leads. They

are rated for up to 20 amps, and 1 hp, and carry the Underwriters' label of approval.

Carling Electric, Inc., Dept. ED, West Hartford, Conn.

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Motor-Gearhead-Clutch Bu Ord Size 10



Designed to operate directly from either a 115v or 26v 400 cps line, this motorgearhead - clutch measures only 0.938 in. in diameter and 1.75 in. long. It conforms to the requirements for Bu Ord

size 10 specifications, and to MIL-E-5400.

Input power per phase at stall is 3.0 watts, motor stall torque 0.26 oz.-in. no load speed 7000 rpm, rotor inertia 0.46 gm-cm², backlash at gearhead 30 min max, continuous torque rating of gearhead 25 oz-in., available slip clutch settings 2 to 25 oz-in, gearhead efficiency 90 per cent min. and weight 2.1 oz.

Available standard gear ratios are 4.8, 6.4, 8.1, 11, 14, 18, 24, 30, 39, 53, 67, 90, 115, 150 and 200. Gear ratios up to 10,000 are available to order (with increase in the length of the unit). Special voltage and power ratings, and extra high internal damping, also are available on request. The internal slip clutch, which protects both gearing and loads when operating under high stall torque conditions, can be omitted if desired.

The unit is installed and completely encased in an aluminum housing. The pinion shaft is 0.1250 in. in diameter and protrudes 7/16 in.

Servomechanisms, Inc., Mechatrol Div., Dept. ED, 625 Main St., Westbury, N. Y.

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New low cost magnetic clutches from

Now you can get the same magnetic clutches used in today's finest signal seeking radio tuners. Originally designed by R/C for the rigid priceperformance requirements of the automotive industry, they are finding new applications throughout electrical manufacturing. Designers are using them to replace cumbersome, complex assemblies... to save space and eliminate costly production steps. They show further promise in accomplishing jobs now being wastefully done with heavy duty and servo types at fifty to one hundred times the cost.

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 Of New R/C Magnetic Clutches

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Temperature Controllers Thermistor-Actuated



Two dual-range models thermistor-actuated temperature controllers can be used for sub-zero applications. The operating ranges of Model 56006 are 200 to 600 F and 100 to 300 F, providing a total coverage of 100 to 600 F. Model 56007 will cover -100 to +50 F and 0 to 150 F, providing a total spread of -100 to +150. The ranges can be W

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switched instantly without recalibration or other adjustment.

These controllers deliver exceptionally accurate control (0.25 per cent over their entire control range). Connecting leads can be up to 200 ft long, using ordinary electrical wiring without diminishing sensitivity and control accuracy. The instrument is ruggedly-built, is not position sensitive, and can be moved without affecting accuracy or calibration. Because of the high stability and excellent aging characteristics of the thermistor sensing element, the controller can be operated for periods of several months or more without recalibration. Recalibration is done simply with screwdriver adjustments without external reference standards.

The controllers contain an integral spdt power relay rated at 10 amps, 115 v ac. Separate circuits for indication and control make these two functions independent.

The thermistor sensing element can be supplied encased in a stainless steel probe 3/16 or 1/8 in in diameter and 2 to 5 in. long, with a choice of three types of mounting heads.

Fenwal, Inc., Dept. ED, Ashland, Mass.

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Chopper in All Frequencies

Small-Size Series

Now available in all operating frequencies and models, a new series of choppers features reduced size, better dust seal and improved shielding. Measurements of this smaller unit are 2-5/8 in. high overall, and are 1-1/2 in. in diameter.



James Vibrapowr Co., Dept. ED, 4050 N. Rockwell St., Chicago 18, Ill.

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Thermal Time Delay Relay Sub-Miniature Size

With a timing range from 3 to 120 seconds (\pm 10 per cent) this relay has a non-inductive contact rating of 3 amps either at 115 v ac or 28 v dc. It operates on 2.5 v to 115 v ac or dc; and can be supplied to order for voltages up to 220 ac or dc, as well as for 400 cps 115 v ac. Heater power is 8.75 w.



Overall size of the relay, exclusive of base pins, is 1-13/16 in. long by 0.750 diameter. Port is provided to adjustments can be made without removing the metal dust cover. The unit is supplied with solder lugs, 7-pin miniature, glass to metal pins.

Belltron Mfg. Co., Dept. ED, 463 Hoover Ave., Bloomfield, N. J.

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Electro-Hydraulic Control And Transistor Amplifier



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A transistorized servo amplifier and electrohydraulic servo valve for electro - hydraulic control of industrial machinery is made in two new "building block" components. They combine features of elec-

tonic signal sensing with hydraulic control of variable delivery pumps, hydraulic motors, cylinders, and similar equipment. The XRJ301A amplifer and the electro-hydraulic servo valve, XVJ300A, make it practical to apply hydraulic power to many applications previously limited to electric drives.

The fully-transistorized amplifier is designed to receive signal inputs from any standard 60-cy a-c signal source. The user can provide manually variable controls, can make the control source a function of position, velocity or other command variable, or can utilize input signals from tracers or computers. The amplifier is designed for parallel summation, ratio comparison, or series summation of input signals. Output is designed to power a balanced single load, or split loads, of as high as 5 w. The amplifier supplies the driving power for the new electro-hydraulic, 3-way servo valve which, in urn, controls the flow of oil to hydraulic linear or otary motion drives. The single stage servo valve s driven by a high performance torque motor and is

Wailable in ratings up to 10 gpm, and 3000 psi. Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Dept. ED, 275 Fourth Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn.

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A new, small, lowcost pressure transducer for both airborne and ground applications is designed for reliable and accurate service with jet and piston engine fuels, lubricating and hydraulic oils, and air, carbon dioxide and oxygen.

Output signals may be either linear or to any desired curve, as required for actuating the appropriate control or measuring system.

The transducer will be available in pressure ranges of from 0 to 2 psi to 0 to 250 psi, although other ranges can be supplied as required. It is offered with potentiometer cards in resistance ranges of from 0 to 2000 ohms to 0 to 20,000 ohms. Current rating of a typical potentiometer is 10 ma at 5200 ohms, although other requirements can be handled. Models with resolution of better than 0.1 per cent are available.

Fitted with standard 3-pin connector plug terminals, and 1/8 in. ANPT or 7/16 in. 20NF3 pressure fittings, the units are hermetically sealed; all materials have been selected for galvanic similarity. Over-all length is 2-7/16 in., diameter is 2-7/8 in., weight is 6 oz.

The Bristol Co., Dept. ED, Waterbury 20, Conn. CIRCLE 84 ON READER-SERVICE CARD FOR MORE INFORMATION

Electronic Demodulator Unit 30 Cps To 100 Kc

Suitable for portable and airborne applications be-

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tion and shock, the Model

ED-551 and ED-551L elec-

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measure of the amplitude

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cps to 100 kc, reference input is 0-25 v rms; output 0-10 v dc. Dimensions are 1-1/2in. x 3 in. The units are hermetically sealed. Model ED-551 plugs into a standard octal socket; Model ED-551L is mounted on a miniature 7-pin solder lug header.

Atlas Electro-Mechanical Labs., Inc., Dept. ED, 14734 Arminta St., Panorama City, Calif.

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Cook Electric Co., Dept. ED, Diaphlex Div., 2700 Southport Ave., Chicago 14, Ill.

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Designated Series RG03-0100, this gyro, designed specifically for missile applications, and built for severe shock and vibration requirements, more than conforms to MIL-E-527A. Advance design features include replacement of pivots and bearings by wheel and gimbal system, use of stand-

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The motor is 115 v, 400 cps, one or three phase. Standard potentiometer pickoff is 5000 ohms, power dissipation 1 watt, maximum. Available ranges are ± 10 deg/sec to ± 800 deg/sec. Resolution is 0.35 per cent, linearity ± 1.0 per cent, hysteresis ± 0.5 per cent, and angular momentum 250,000 cgs units. Weight is 14 oz. The case measures 2.47 in. high and 2.13 in. diam.

Humphrey, Inc., Dept. ED, 2805 Canon St., San Diego 4, Calif.

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Aircraft Beacon Antenna For 75 Mc Marker Beacon



Intended to be installed by flush mounting on the bottom of an airplane fuselage, the Model AT-134, 75 mc marker beacon antenna has a shunt-fed, bentchannel receiving element top loaded by a small variable capacitor in parallel with a 25 mmf temperature-compensated fixed capacitor. It measures 11-3/4 in. long by 7-3/4 in. wide and 3-1/4 in. high. Its flanged, deep-drawn aluminum-alloy case forms the antenna cavity. This case is open at the bottom, or airplane, side; the enclosure of the cavity is completed when the case is mounted on the airplane. The slotted shaft of the variable capacitor extends through the closed top of the case to permit screwdriver adjustment and tuning. Lead-in receptacle is provided, and an 18-mm threaded hole which may either be closed with a plug or used for dehydration. Telectro Industries Corp., Dept. ED, 36-16 37th

Street, Long Island City 1, N. Y.

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Frequency Indicator Counts to 60 Kc



Developed specifically for industrial applications, the Model 7340B frequency indicator and

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Gate times of 1 or 10 seconds are available, with automatic recycling or single sample operation, and manual gate control is provided for longer sampling times or totalizer operation. Indication to 10,000 events per second, with automatic decimal point location, is easily read directly from glow transfer counting tubes.

Electro-Pulse, Inc., Dept. ED, 11861 Teale St., Culver City, Calif.

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A line of three 3-inch cathode ray tubes, with short-, medium- and long-persistence phosphors, has been made available. They are coded 3WP1, 3WP2 and 3WP11. The last has a shortpersistence phosphor suited to photographic recording of the indicated phenomena. The 3WP2 utilizes a longpersistence phosphor especially useful in applications where only a temporary record of the phenomena is desired. 3WP1 has a medium-

persistence phosphor for general oscillographic use.

Each tube has a flat face, a minimum useful screen diameter of 2-3/4 in. and a maximum overall length of 11-5/8 in.

Design features permit the spot to be sharply focussed and to remain in sharp focus both at the edges and at the center, when beam current is varied over a wide range.

Radio Corporation of America, Tube Division, Dept. ED, Harrison, N. J.

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Versatile Sequence Timer Controls 32 Circuits



A miniaturized, small size, light weight sequence timer, originally developed for balloon instrumentation, has now been made available for general use in any field. Its power

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Brailsford & Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 670 Milton Rd., Rye, N. Y.

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The Model 107 tube tester is a portable tester which provides three important vacuum tube checks. All tubes may be given the grid-circuit test to reveal in-

termittent leaks or shorts, gas content or reverse grid current, commonly called grid emission. A pre-wired panel permits a dynamic mutual conductance test to be run on all popular high transconductance or amplifier type tubes. All tubes may also be tested for cathode emission. Free point selection sets up every tube that fits six popular sockets and will not be obsoleted.

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Seco Mfg. Co., Dept. ED, Minneapolis, Minn.

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Vernier Pot-Rheostat

Miniaturized



Available with either wire wound. carbon or carbon film resistors, a rheostat - potentiometer just announced has a rated accuracy of 0.1 per cent of full scale, resolution

rated at 0.1 per cent or better, and rated linearity within plus or minus 0.1 per cent. Resistance range is 0 to 10,000 ohms for the wire wound model; other ranges and other accuracies are offered in the carbon element units. Single knob control of two decades is among the features of this unit; two turns of the knob cover the full range and provide resolution equal to that of a conventional ten turn potentiometer. Basic construction of the unit is that of a four terminal voltage divider. Panel space required is only $2 \ge 2$ in., with 2-1/2 in. projecting behind the panel; wattage rating is 4 w when used as a potentiometer, 25 ma when used as a rheostat.

Research Instrument Co., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 9168, Portland 16, Ore.

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Wide Band Sweep Generator VHF-UHF Range



A wide band sweep generator contains all the essential features of a standard cw and am signal source and covers the range from 15 to 400 mc. The model SG-132 is intended for use

with vhf-uhf receivers and with similar equipment. It is helpful in measuring receiver sensitivity, selectivity, image rejection and gain, and for calibration, etc., of if amplifiers, broadband amplifiers, television equipment, and the like. Its output is entirely fundamental, not derived from beat-frequencies. Sweep width is 40 per cent of the center frequency of 15 to 400 mc, dial accuracy 0.01 per cent, output constancy with ± 0.2 db over the entire frequency range, calibration from 0.1 to 150,000 µv throughout the frequency range. There is an integral de-coupled oscilloscope, and the panel also incorporates modulation, dbm and microvolt meters.

Transitron, Inc., Dept. ED, 186 Granite Street, Manchester, N. H.

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80 To 10 Meter Tank Assembly Continuous Tuning



Here shown is an improved version of a continuous - tuning amateur band transmitter tank assembly spanning the range from 80 to 10 meters. It is ded for use in grid

signated MB-40DL and is intended for use in grid circuits with approximately 20 watts input or in final plate circuits with not more than 40 watts input power, loaded. The tuning range is from 3.2 to 9.0 mc and from 12.0 to 34.0 mc and to tune to any of these frequencies it is only necessary to turn the dial to the proper setting. A vernier dial with 180 degrees rotation is recommended.

The Model MB-40DL can be used with push-pull or single-ended circuits. Output power can be coupled to an antenna or to a link; preferably to a 300-ohm load. Tetrodes such as the 6V6 or 6L6, etc., are recommended; but pentodes also can be used.

National Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 61 Sherman St., Malden 48, Mass.

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. about a Very Unusual AM-FM-c.w. VHF Receiver It's called the Servoflight* 5200 VHF Communications Receiver. It's un-usual because it's the only VHF re-ceiver for both laboratory work and communication field use that in-

cludes all of the following features: maximum sensitivity — less than 2 micro-volts input will produce a 10-db signal plus noise to-noise ratio over en-tire frequency range of 50-200 mc

high frequency stability – less than 0.08% drift over line voltage range of 105-125 volts . . over ambients of -10°C to +60°C temperature and 0 to 95% humidity

less than 50 micro-micro watts radiated local oscillator power continuous tuning over entire frequency range without switching

automatic noise limiter exclusive squelch circuit

patented. directly-calibrated 72" band-spread dial with a resolution of 0.2% excellent spurious and I.F. rejection antenna trimmer

All these features are integral parts the 5200 Receiver. In addition, there are special outputs for the op-eration of external equipment to facilitate use of the 5200 Receiver as component in complete communication, monitoring, telemetering, and direction finding systems. Power in-put required is 125 watts from 115/230V, 50/60 cycle source.

Hand Burn Senior Development Engineer





Enclosed Limit Switch For Industrial Control



An enclosed precision limit switch, Type 30, has three choices of actuators and three housings, to form sixteen types of switches. Die-cast aluminum housings provide a rugged enclosure, adequate wiring space and a 1/2-14 internal tap conduit hub. Actuators include a plung-

er, roller arm and roller plunger types.

The roller arm actuator has a micrometer screw adjustment which moves the arm through a wide arc in setting the trip point. When the switch trips, a slight additional turn is given to allow for overtravel, then the locknut is tightened. This way of setting the trip prevents borderline operation and offers an unlimited number of trip positions. The roller plunger type actuator is adjustable through 360 degrees to take actuation from any direction. The plunger actuator type switch has a 0.002 movement differential and a 1/2-in. overtravel.

The Type 30 Sealed Enclosed Limit Switch is oil, dust and water tight, by use of improved methods. Switch actuation is sensitive. The switches give more than 10,000,000 actuations under severe operating conditions. The serpentine switch mechanism largely eliminates the problem of switch fatigue and assures positive equipment actuation.

Licon (R) Switch and Control Div., Dept. ED, Illinois Tool Works, 2501 N. Keeler Ave., Chicago 39, Ill.

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Fiber Glass Switch Box

Corrosion-Resistant

Produced entirely of fiber glass reinforced polyester to make it strong, flame and corrosion resistant, a new insulated switch box is now on the market. Its corrosion resistance makes it ideal for application in barns and all farm buildings, industrial plants, or in all buildings where contaminated or highly humid air is present. The new switch box in itself is completely insulating and on many circuits eliminates the necessity of grounding. Its strength brought about by the inherent characteristics of fiber glass reinforced plastic is great enough to withstand any abnormally rough treatment in shipment or installation.

Porcelain Products, Inc., Dept. ED, Findlay, Ohio.

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MARS outstanding design SERIES



birth of a satellite

Most new ideas, like this inhabited satellite, start out as drawings on a sheet of paper. Here artist Russell Lchmann shows the first step in building the space station proposed by Darrell C. Romick, acrophysics engineer at Goodyear Aircraft.

Two ferry ships, one stripped of rocket units, are joined end to end. As others are added, this long tube forms temporary living quarters for crews. Eventually, outer shell will be built around core, making completed station 3,000 feet long, 1,500 feet in diameter.

No one can be sure which of today's bright ideas will become reality tomorrow. But it is certain that in the future, as today, it will be important to use the best of tools when pencil and paper translate a dream into a project. And then, as now, there will be no fincr tool than Mars - from sketch to working drawing.

Mars has long been the standard of professionals. To the famous line of Mars-Technico pushbutton holders and leads, Mars-Lumograph pencils, and Tradition-Aquarell painting pencils, have recently been added these new products: the Mars Pocket-Technico for field use; the efficient Mars lead sharpener and "Draftsman's" Pencil Sharpener with the adjustable point-length feature; and -- last but not least - the Mars-Lumochrom, the new colored drafting pencil which offers revolutionary drafting advantages. The fact that it blueprints perfectly is just one of its many important features.

> The 2886 Mars-lumograph drawing pencil, 19 degrees, EXEXB to 9H. The 1001 Mars-Technico push-button lead holder. 1904 Mars-Lumograph imported leads, 18 degrees, EXB to 9H. Marslumochrom colored drafting pencil, 24 colors.

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High Power—2 watts High Resistance—100,000 ohms High Temperature—175°C

The latest addition to the expanding line of Bourns TRIMpots is the new high power, high temperature, Hi-R.

The Hi-R will dissipate 2.0 watts at 50°C and has a maximum operating temperature of 175°C. Model 207 is available in total resistances of 100 ohms to 100K; Model 208, the variable resistor counterpart, is offered in 100K, 150K and 200K. High resistance values are combined with the excellent temperature coefficient and stability of a wirewound resistance element.

In addition to these many outstanding features, the Hi-R is miniature in size: only $\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} - 0.28$ cubic inches. The 25-turn adjustment shaft is selflocking, thus insuring stable settings under extreme conditions of shock, vibration and acceleration.

Delivery from stock on standard resistances. Send for Bulletin 207.



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22.5 V DC Power Supply

Is Line Transient-Free



A new line transient-free, short circuit-proof airborne power supply unit provides 22.5 v dc for various telemetering and instrumentation applications. While the MRP

22.1 may be used for various purposes requiring 22.5 v dc, it was designed specifically to power MRC's new MMO-522 low-level magnetic dc signal amplifiers, which eliminate gain variations by operating directly from a dc source. The power supply itself operates from a standard 400 cy aircraft main, feeding dc input to the MMO-522 signal amplifiers, each of which incorporates a transistor oscillator. Since they are dc-powered, the amplifiers are free from the variations normally encountered when excitation is provided by a 400 cy line supply which is subject to a \pm 10 per cent tolerance. The MRP-22.1 power supply drives from 10 to 12 of the MMO-522 amplifiers. The amplifiers themselves are used principally in the amplification of the thermocouple and strain gauge output in industrial, military and medical installatons. They serve equally well as very stable dc v amplifiers for radio telemeter systems or as high-gain dc power amplifiers for relay-type temperature and servo control systems.

Magnetic Research Corp., Dept. ED, El Segundo, Calif.

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Precision Resistor Networks For Strain Gauge Amplifiers



Especially designed to fit the front panel of strain gauge amplifiers, these resistor networks are available on anodized aluminum front panels to facilitate

ease in selecting the proper resistor block. Each resistor is wound on glass-reinforced plastic forms with glass-insulated wire, and is capable of dissipating 10 watts overload for short periods of time. Any number of these precision resistors can be supplied in one encapsulated package, and a variety of configurations and schematics can be arranged. Eastern Precision Resistor Corp., Dept. ED, 675

Barbey St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Whitso terminals are molded from melamine thermosetting materials to provide optimum electrical properties.

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- The general purpose instrument for measurement and control of microcurrents. Typical uses: currents in ion gages, ion chambers, photocells, vacuum tube grids, back currents of silicon transistors.
- ★ RANGES: two per decade, from 10⁻³ to 3 x 10⁻¹³ ampere full scale.
- ★ ZERO DRIFT: less than 2% per day, with source voltages above 300 millivolts.
- ★ TIME CONSTANT: less than one second on the 10⁻¹¹ range with 5000 rnmf across input.

BOTH MODELS include a 250-volt tap for polarizing ion chambers, an output that drives 50-millivolt and 5-milliampere recorders, input and output connections at both front and back. Suited to both bench and rack mounting, and available with a contact meter in place of standard meter.

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Silicon Power Diodes 14 to 70 HW Amps



A series of silicon diodes in the 14 to 70 (half wave) amp rating have been made available for such industrial uses as motor loads welders and battery chargers, and for

dc power supplies in aircraft and missiles, and on ships. Six of these diodes assembled on heat sinks and connected in a three-phase bridge can supply 13 kw at 175 v dc with natural cooling or 33 kw at 175 v dc with forced draft cooling. The diodes are available for peak inverse voltages from 50 to 300 v. They are miniaturized, and hermetically sealed.

International Rectifier Corp., Dept. ED, 1521 E. Grand Ave., El Segundo, Calif.

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Data Recording Cameras Have Synchronized Control

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These all-purpose precision data recording cameras provide a u t o m a t i c, matched - frame analysis. They have been used for data reduc-

tion by aircraft manufacturers in fire control evaluation, flight testing, missile tracking and bomb spotting.

The cameras can be used for time and motion studies, the analysis of machine operation techniques, testing new products, and expediting the study of various manufacturing processes.

The cameras photograph motions or events taking place simultaneously at separated locations. The shutter and film drives are synchronized to an accuracy of one and one-half milliseconds from camera to camera, providing automatic frame-forframe comparisons of films taken by any number of cameras in a parallel-operated gang. Three individual coding lights in each camera permit the coding of film sequences and indicate time intervals on film.

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Ultrasonic Cleaner For Small Parts



A new ul. trasonic clean. ing apparatus has been developed. The AP-10-B is a small, compact instrument, designed specifically for bench-top operation in the washing of del-

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icate, intricate parts that must be "surgically" clean.

The new instrument comprises a 36-40 kc/sec. In a power generator, and a cylindrical cleaning tank leat with transducers hermetically sealed into the base ham RF power output of the generator is 50 w avg, 201 The w peak on pulses. Tanks are of 1 pint, 1 quart, or oven 1/2 gallon capacity, giving a maximum effective 50 in cleaning area of 18 sq. in. Two of the smaller tank norki may be operated simultaneously, and two of the Gri larger tanks alternately, depending on tank size specified.

Branson Ultrasonic Corp., Dept. ED, 37 Brown House Rd., Stamford, Conn.

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Tool Room Miller Multipurpose Uses



A new Mode 422 precision tool room mode bench millin machine ha been designed This small pro cision mill h the machin tool accuracie of mills costin two to three

times its price. This mill can also be quickly con verted into a precision surface grinder and for spe cial lathe operations. A new low cost 4 x 8 in. mag netic chuck is offered as one of the many acces sories.

Lloyd Tool Corp., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 647, But bank, Calif.

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Production Products

Rotary Hearth Oven Permits Production Runs



This oven has been designed and built to permit loading and unloading from the same position by a single operator, and at the same time permits a continuous movement of work in and out of the heating zone. A large vol-

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200 These ovens are built to individual requirements. or oven illustrated has inside working space 14 x 9 x tive 50 in. long on an OD of 54 in., ID 26 in. Maximum inks working temperature 1000 F.

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Expressly designed for the production of printed circuits, a new and advanced spray etching machine has been built. Among some of the salient features of the new etching machine are simultaneous twosided etching of a circuit board,

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Computer engineers long seeking PNP transistors in applications requiring high current and fast switching will specify General Transistor's new 2N315, 2N316, and 2N317 for peak reliability.

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Throws out electron tubes... keeps chopper

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TYPICAL OPERATION			
Driving frequency range:	0-2000 cps (400 cps used for these characteristics)		
Coll voltage:	6.3V sine, square, pulse wave		
Coll current:	55 milliamperes		
Coll resistance:	85 ohms		
*Phase lag:	55° ± 10°		
*Dissymmetry:	Less than 4%		
*Switching time:	15° ± 5°		
Temperature:	-55°C to 100°C		
Operating position:	Any		
Mounting:	Flange or plug-in-fits 7-pin miniature socket		
*These characteristics based on sine-wave excitation.			

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Production Products

Bench Type Welders 5 and 10 Kva



Two new bench type airoperated 5 and 10 kva spot or projection welders specially designed for light and nonferrous metals are available. Features include valve and speed controls mounted at the cylinder for easy access

and greater speed, and a ram bearing surface of 15 sq in. at full stroke. When horns are used, the greater bearing surface gives more rigidity and reduces tip skidding. Air controls are mounted above the welder for better cylinder lubrication. Spring follow-up heads are available.

The welders are water-cooled and the transformers have four heats. No. 1 Morse taper electrodes are used and the lower bracket has a 4 in. vertical adjustment. Cylinders are 2-1/2 or 3 in. with a 2 in. stroke. Similar floor type and foot-operated welders are offered for use where air is not available. The company has a complete line from 1 to 50 kva.

Weldex, Inc., Dept. ED, Detroit, Mich.

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Gearless Bobbin Winder High Speed Direct Drive



Need to make gear changes on this coil winder is eliminated entirely by a unique timesaving pitch selector which cuts job changeover time in

half. The high speed, direct drive, adjustable winding length bobbin winder has an emergency safety stop button which halts the machine instantly.

Winding speed is up to 8000 rpm with a range of 60 to 700 turns per inch. Features include wire sizes from 27 to 46, 2 in. max coil OD, 3-1/2 in. maximum transverse for any single continuous winding, 8-1/2 in. max loading area for multiple winding, and winding traverse infinitely adjustable from 1/8 to 3-1/2 in.

Geo. Stevens Mfg. Co., Dept. ED, Pulaski Rd. at Peterson, Chicago 30, Ill.

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Production Products

High Speed Machine Brands

Variety of Vacuum Tubes

Tube manufacturers can now imprint trademark, company name, tube type designation and other detail on vacuum tubes at rates as high as 7000 per hour, with a cylindrical object marking machine.



The Model 20A machine handles tubes ranging from miniature glass types to "bulgy" or pear-shape types, by means of five different interchangeable chutes. Chutes are marked according to the tube types they accept, together with calibrated adjustment scales. Precision molded rubber printing elements, and specially formulated marking compounds for glass, metal, etc., assure clear, attractive imprints. Chute feed and automatic ejection provide production speeds from 3000 to 7000 tubes per hour.

Specifications of the 20A machine include dimensions of $26 \times 13 \times 18$ in.; bench mounting; 1/4 HP motor drive; max imprint size 2-7/8 x 6 in.

Marken Machine Co., Dept. ED, Keene 59, N.H. CIRCLE 145 ON READER-SERVICE CARD FOR MORE INFORMATION

Subminiature Toroidal Coiler Electronically Actuated

A completely new approach to the problem of high speed production of the diminutive toroidal components used in shift register, computer memory and similar magnetic devices, is used in this miniature machine. Specifications: core size, maximum outside diameter 3/4 in. height to 1/2 in.; residual hole, minimum, using smallest ring, 0.055 in.; wire size, 34 to 45 AWG; winding rings, 3 in. diameter, 1/8 to 3/64 in. cross-section; wire capacity, exceptionally large, typical value for 1/16 in. winding ring is 235 circular mill feet; turns counter, thyratron actuated high speed impulse counter provides positive counting to a maximum of 1200 counts per minute; speed, variable to limits of counter capabilities; footage counter, automatic registration of loading footage; feed, manual, 180 or 360 degree, as desired; power, 115 v, 60 cy for motor and electronic counting equipment.

Donald C. Harder Co., Dept. ED, 3710 Midway Drive, San Diego 10, Calif.

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A NEW COST-SAVING FEATURE of Fafnir Flanged Instrument Bearings

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Atomizer Wash



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Production Products Miniature Toroid Winder

1/16 Inch Core Diameter

Employing a new winding technique, a unique toroidal winder has been developed which uses a magnetically controlled needle. The needle, of the ordinary sewing variety, is threaded with a length of wire and, by means of a rotary permanent mag. net, is made to pass successively through the toroidal core in a simple sewing action. In this manner, turns of wire are placed on the core. The ID of the toroid is limited essentially by the size of the needle.

Toroids with initial hole diameters of 1/16 in. or smaller are readily accommodated by the machine. This technique is in contrast to the conventional winder which employs a split, circular bobbin. A simple needle passes through a smaller hole than can a more complex bobbin.

fed to In addition to accommodating smaller cores, the wrap new machine has simplified the winding action in comp that wire is wound directly onto the core. No involved intermediate actions are required, such as the insertion, winding and removal of bobbin.

120 x Hughes Aircraft Co., Dept. ED, WSDL, Culver wide. City, Calif. appro

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Commutator Turning Machine Finishes Up to 700 Per Hour



Model CTM 2000. a fully automatic commutator turning IRCLE machine has been intro duced. By employing diamond cutting tools, the new design of this machine allows a single semiskilled operator to turn automatically from 500 to 700 fin-

ished commutators per hour. Rough and finish turning can be performed simultaneously by simply using two diamond tools.

Completely flexible, the machine can be quickly adjusted to turn commutators of up to 2 in. diameters and 2 in. lengths, with a tolerance of 0.0003 in. or better, and with a 15 micro-inch surface finish if so desired. A complete armature change can be made in approximately fifteen mins.

Motor-Mation, Inc., Dept. ED, 116 W. 9th St., Un No. Canton, Ohio.

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Production Products Wire Cloth Welding Machine

Completely Automatic



A new, completely automatic machine for forming and welding cylindrical screens of wire cloth has been introduced. The new welding machine is expected to find wide use in the

electronics industry for forming and welding vacuum tube and microwave parts. The wire cloth is fed to the machine from a reel, cut to exact size, wrapped on an arbor, welded, then ejected. This complete process is automatic, and nominal production rate is 3000 parts per hour.

For fuel filters, the automotive industry is using 120 x 108 mesh of monel metal wire cloth, 0.687 in. wide, formed on a 0.192 in. arbor. However, with appropriate tooling, the machine will form other cylindrical parts in a wide range of diameters and in lengths to 0.750 in. The automatic wire cloth welding machine is supplied complete with all power supply components and controls, ready for installation and operation.

Federal Tool and Engineering Co., Dept. ED, 1384 Pompton Ave., Cedar Grove 1, N.J. (IRCLE 153 ON READER-SERVICE CARD FOR MORE INFORMATION

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- SIZE: 1 inch diameter x 2¼ inches long
- WEIGHT: 3.8 ozs.
- FULL SCALE RANGE: 40 to 400 degrees/second
- LINEARITY: 0.1% of full scale to ½ range, within 2% to full range
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Production Products

Tool-Room Boring Mill Optical Coordinate Settings



A new system of optical coordinate setting has been incorporated in the "Optimetric" toolroom boring mill. Projection

screens are fitted to the vertical adjustment of the spindle slide

and boring stay, and the transverse movement of the table. This patented system of optical measuring permits utilization of the full degree of accuracy available in a machine of this capacity. Settings within an error of no more than 0.00025 in. are easily obtained. The wide bed support enables the table to be brought out at either extreme end without deflection. Three sizes are available in the series: Model OA, 2-1/2 in., Model OB, 2-3/4 in., and Model OC, 3 in.

British Industries Corp., Dept. ED, 80 Shore Rd., Port Washington, N.Y.

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Transfer Molding Press

Completely Automatic



For thermosetting plastics, Model 99-A Automatic Transfer Molding Press uses general purpose powder which does not require preheating. Stand-

ard mold blocks are held in place by a standard mold retainer set. The unit is particularly well suited for low quantity runs.

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After mold is put into operation, the press is completely automatic, other than the refilling of the hopper and emptying the container of finished parts.

Hull Standard Corp., Dept. ED, Abington, Pa. CIRCLE 160 ON READER-SERVICE CARD FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Production Products

Strip Cutter Produces Precision Grids



A series of new grid strip cutter (chopper) machines is now being marketed. Typical of these new strip cutters is

machine No. 2823 which accurately cuts wound strips into individual radio tube grids of all sizes. These sizes are controlled by a unique "stop strip" holder which assures accuracy, and by special steel cutting blades. To facilitate sharpening these cutting blades are easily removed.

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Kahle Engineering Co., Dept. ED, 1400 Seventh St., No. Bergen, N.J.

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Portable Koil Kradle

Simplifies Materials Handling



For supplying coil stock to presses and other equipment, an improved koil kradle is announced. The new koil kradle is equipped with casters enabling it to be moved

easily from machine to machine, as needed, and also facilitating alignment of Koil Kradle to the machine. It is available in capacities from 1200 to 16,000 lbs, handling 60 in. diam coils up to 48 in. wide.

Front wheels of the portable model swivel for steering. As tongue is lowered, bed is lifted by a cam, clearing the floor 1/4 in. With tongue in vertical position, front of bed is lowered to set solidly on the floor.

Benchmaster Mfg. Co., Dept. ED, 1835 W. Rosecrans, Gardena, Calif.

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Send for complete details. Cambridge Thermionic Corporation, 457 Concord Avenue, Cambridge 38, Massachusetts. CIRCLE 171 ON READER-SERVICE CARD FOR MORE INFORMATION



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Title of this guide is "It's Easy to Write Articles for ELECTRONIC DESIGN." What to write about, and how to write the article is covered. Subject ideas covered are circuits, design techniques, design aids, measurement techniques, design data charts, application stories, and design survey stories. The guide is concise and easy to read. ELECTRONIC DESIGN, 19 E. 62nd St., New York 21, N.Y.

Germanium Plating Rectifier

Bulletin GED 2934 describes an aircooled germanium plating rectifier. Among the design features explained are the hermetically sealed cell, the cooling system, the remote control installation, and the automatic voltage control. Illustrations show both individual parts and the entire assembly. The folder also contains a list of available models. General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N.Y.

Impedance Meters

Two models of coaxial impedance meters operating in the frequency range of 1500 to 12,400 mc, and six models of waveguide im pedance meters, operating in the frequency range of 2600 to 18,000 mc, are described in data sheet just published.

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Photographs, features and specification and care included in the data sheet. The Nard 500 Corp., 160 Herricks Rd., Minneola, L.I.

Electronic Design Article Index

A reprint of the Index of Articles appear milling in the Dec. 15 issue of ELECTRONIC Draw miller SIGN is offered to readers. The index cover and the period of July 1 through Dec. 15. Ange précis of each article is included. Cross lock reference aid breaks the coverage into var ous subjects under the categories of Comme ponents, Design articles, Materials, an Test Equipment. ELECTRONIC DESIGN, 19 F Corp 62nd St., New York 21, N.Y.



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ard 500 N. Ravenswood Ave., Chicago 40, Ill.

185 and Counting

Printed in booklet form is a 7-page article Dear titled "Batching and Counting Using Gas-DE lled Decade Tubes" by W. Grimmond nd W. H. P. Leslie. The article describes a mge of units in the form of "building Cros ocks" which can be quickly assembled to vari rm a variety of frequency meters, chro-Com meters, frequency dividers, batching ounters. International Standard Trading 19 E urp., 22 Thames St., New York 6, N.Y.

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The first of a series to be devoted to Teflon, Bulletin T-50 considers this plastic resin as a material. In 4-pages it details chemical, mechanical, thermal, electrical and other properties. A number of Teflon products — thin-and-heavy-walled tubing and rod, steel pipe lining, insulated wire, machine parts, and sheet—are illustrated and described. Haveg Industries, Inc., Halocarbon Div., 900 Greenbank Rd., Wilmington 8, Del.

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Electrohydraulic Servo Valves 197

Volume 3, No. 1 of the Cook Technical Review, an issue of 28 pages, deals with electrohydraulic servo valves. Part I presents basic information relative to the types and characteristics of high response servo control valves. A second part describes the various types of valves which are commercially available and discusses the selection of electrohydraulic servo valves and their system application. The issue is \$1.00 per copy in the U.S. and Canada and \$1.25 in other countries. Cook Electric Co., 2700 N. Southport Ave., Chicago 14, Ill.



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Using a smaller ceramic than standard, the narrow neck disc cathode permits manufacturers to produce cathode ray tubes with glass neck, thereby increasing the deflection angle of the tube to allow a shorter tube design. In order to provide cathode alloys with improved performance characteristics, a new series of alloys has been developed. These are covered.

The dimension and tolerance tables of round and shaped seamless and Lockseam form cathodes has been expanded, and additional information on standard and miniature disc cathodes is included Chemical analysis, mechanical and physical properties of electronic materials is included for 1 cathode nickel alloys, glass sealing alloys, and allow for fabricated tubular parts.

Other items described in the catalog are anode and grid cylinders, tubing and tubular parts for transmitter and special purpose tubes and semi-conductor devices and fabricated tubular parts. Supe rior Tube Co., 1848 Germantown Ave., Norristown Pa.

Fluorescent Lamp Ballasts

Listings of a complete line of fluorescent lam ballasts are tabulated in Bulletin GEC-983I. The booklet's 12-pages contain electrical specification and prices of ballasts for germicide, circline, rapidstart, and slimline and 40 w instant starting lamps and of weatherproof, trigger-start, and general line fluorescent ballasts. Also covered are ballasts for de operation and for dimming and flashing. Wiring dia grams and cross section drawings illustrate the booklet, and a cross-referenced table shows ballas lead lengths. Installation and operation instruction are included. General Electric Co., Schenectady 5 N.Y.

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Thermopiles

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A 12-page illustrated brochure features air and acuum-sealed thermopiles which convert infra-red energy into electrical energy suitable for amplificaion and measurement. Recently introduced in the United States, the thermopiles are designed for use in infra-red spectrophotometry, astronomical infrared measurement, emission pyrometry, and as comonents of temperature control devices. The booket, CH313, cites principal characteristics, specifications, and available window materials for a variety of models and points out suitable applications for ach. An amplifying galvanometer system is also llustrated and described. Jarrell-Ash Co., 26 Farwell St., Newtonville 60, Mass.

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Eight-pages of comprehensive data on construction, characteristics, specifications, applications, types, resistance values, tolerances, terminals and installations are given.

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Cylinders and Hydrometer Jars 228 Hydr

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Phenolic Products

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28 Hydraulic Plate Shear

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teel Tube Fittings

Complete engineering specifications for a ne of steel tube fittings are listed in a 48nge catalog. Hydraulic and hydraulic flaress types are included. The booklet connins a section on assembly instructions, aterials, finishes and operating pressures. The Weatherhead Co., 128 W. Washington Wd., Fort Wayne, Ind.

ubular Capacitors

ing An 8-page publication, GET-2671, covers bes olded tubular capacitors for computers, iled issiles, telephone equipment, and other ing grade military and commercial elecica onic equipment. The illustrated booklet this mains descriptive information and lists the tings and dimensions. General Electric io., Schenectady 5, N.Y.

Two-Way Radio

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Bulletin ECR-380-A is devoted to the Progress Line two-way radio. It gives details on printed circuitry, interchangeable components, cabinets and mounting. General Electric Co., Communication Equipment, Electronics Park, Syracuse, N.Y.

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Servo Components

Bulletin 410 is a single illustrated page which lists a number of high temperature servomechanism components such as servomotors, tachometers, etc., along with the degree of heat under which each can operate. The sheet also lists important features of the units. Norden-Ketay Corp., Commerce Rd., Stamford, Conn.

Solderless Wiring Devices 239

In Bulletin 856 a line of solderless terminals and connectors are catalogued and described. The 8 illustrated pages list ring, spade, and hook tongue devices; snap plugs; flag types; and parallel, butt, and 3- and 4way connectors in a variety of sizes and wire ranges. Electric Terminals Corp., 2019 Center St., Cleveland 13, Ohio.



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Transistor Circuits

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In Fig. 1 two transistors and a reversing switch are used to actuate the lamps, as in "wing and tail" flashers. Most important advantage of this circuit is the tremendous reduction in radio interference (28 v at 75 ma motor current and 0.5 v at 100 ma base drive) thereby reducing the filter size from approximately 12 cu in. and 1 pound to 1 cu in. and 1 oz for a 5 amp flasher. Peak interference is in the hundreds of microvolts at low power instead of 0.1 to 0.2 v at 1.5 kw inrush. At the same time, the overall flasher volume is cut in half and the contact life of the switch is extended indefinitely. Relaxation oscillators might also be used.



Fig. 1. Low Radio-Interference Flasher Circuit.

In Fig. 2 is a possible use of transistors for relay action, thus eliminating all moving parts and contact points. The motor employed is a blower motor from Globe Industries Inc., and is a 28 v at 6 amp unit. It is possible, at the present time, to control a 5 amp load using approximately 200 ma drive.



Fig. 2. Relay Action Without Relays.

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Simplified testing procedure

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Fast Video Pulses

Preliminary work is described toward the attain ment of pulse repetition rates of 1000 pps and greater, and pulse duration below 0.1 µsec. Method were studied for generating fast voltage step functions at the desired rates, and for shaping vernarrow pulses. Experimental circuits are describe and analyzed. PB 121404, Generation of Fast Vida Pulses, S. Krasnick, Signal Corps, OTS, U.S. Dep of Commerce, Washington 25, D.C., Dec. 1955, 2 pp, \$.75.

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Investigations for improving antennas, open-win transmission lines and associated lumped-constan circuits for reliable high-frequency communications. A major emphasis in the study is to be place on consideration of high-power levels, from 50 to 500 kw. PB 120378 Reliable High-Frequency Communications, Second Report, Apr.-July 1955, D. H Bowman, Order from Library of Congress, Photo duplication Service, Publications Board Project Washington 25, D. C., 47 pp, Microfilm \$3.30, Photo copy \$7.80.

Radar Simulation Study

During the period of Sept. to Oct. 1955, work continued on the simulation program which includes development of a digital multi-target radar simulate of high realism and precision, and the further improvement and extension of the existing single target radar simulator in connection with its application to beam splitting and automatic track-while scan problems. PB 122375 Simulation Study For Theriod 1 Sep-31 Oct 1955, Columbia Univer., Orde from Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service Publications Board Project, Washington 25, D. C. Nov. 1955, 49 pp, Microfilm \$3.30, Photocopy \$7.8



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Radio Astronomy Antennas

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Electron Beam Interaction

A field theory of a spaced-harmonic traveling wave tube is developed using a stationary field matching procedure. The circuit is the circularity symmetric disc loaded waveguide. Two cases are studied: a solid low current electron beam which completely fills the openings between sections, and a hollow beam of arbitrary radius. PB 120413 Interaction of an Electron Beam With a Periodic Circuit, R. W. Gould, California Inst. of Technology, Order from Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Publications Board Project, Washington 25, D. C., Mar. 1955, 23 pp, Microfilm \$2.70, Photocopy \$4.80.

Mag-Amp Two-Speed Servo

Described is a half-wave magnetic amplifier which utilizes a full-wave slave output stage to replace a vacuum tube amplifier in a two-speed servo system. Complete system performance is given, and a comparison between vacuum tube and magnetic amplifier systems is made. PB 120818 Magnetic-Amplifier Two-Speed Servo System, J. J. Suozzi, NAVORD 3973, Order from Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Publications Board Project, Washington 25, D.C., Aug. 1955, 25 pp, Microfilm \$2.70, Photocopy \$4.80.

Radar Modification To Improve Stability

Investigation of improving the stability and accuracy of the AN/CPN-18 indicator for PPI presentation required in a traffic control system. Stability and accuracy are much improved with the recommended modifications and PPI presentation is considerably enhanced. PB 120415 Modification of Indicator Group OA-184/CPN-18, J. J. Bogart, US Air R&D Command, Order from Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Publications Board Project, Washington 25, D. C., Mar. 1955, 23 pp, Microfilm \$2.70, \$4.80.



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Ionospheric Antennas Survey

The material presented covers first a study and survey of propagational effects associated with ionospheric forward scatter transmission, then an examination of various antenna types having possible use, and finally a comparison of the advantages and disadvantages of the various antennas. PB 122372 Survey Study On Antennas For Forward Ionospheric Scatter Transmission, Pickard & Burns, Inc., Order from Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Publications Board Project, Washington 25, D. C., Feb. 1956, 59 pp, Microfilm, \$3.60, Photocopy \$9.30.

Traffic Control Radar Simulator

The radar simulator described is capable of simulating 30 moving aircraft targets on a PPI indicator. Control of target heading, velocity, position, and turn rate are available at each aircraft target operating station. Additionally available are: simulation of wind drift effect, distinctive coding symbol on each target, automatic variation of aircraft speed as a function of altitude, continuous targets display on CRT. PB 123088 Radar Simulator For Use In Air Traffic Control Studies, Hixson, Harter and Warren, Ohio State University, Order from Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Publications Board Project, Washington 25, D.C., Jan. 1954, 28 pp, Microfilm \$2.70, Photocopy \$4.80.

Cathode Studies Demountable Diode

Described is a demountable planar diode with a movable anode. The tube has been used to confirm an experimental method for determining the motional transconductance of a diode. It has also been used to compare two distinctly different methods for measuring the conductivity of oxide coated cathodes. Modifications are suggested for improving the tube. PB 119937 Demountable Diode For Cathode Studies, A. Eichenbaum and H. Farber, Brooklyn Polytechnic Inst., Order from Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Publications Board Project, Washington 25, D. C., Mar. 1955, 23 pp, Microfilm \$2.70, Photocopy \$4.80.

Spontaneous Magnetization Curves

Curves of spontaneous magnetization vs. temperature have been computed for simple ferromagnetic materials containing only one kind of magnetic ion. The results for various values of the parameters lambda, alpha, beta are tabulated and graphed. PB 122057 Computed Spontaneous Magnetization Curves For Ferromagnetic Materials, Warfield, Smart and Wangness, NAVORD 3815, Order from Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Publications Board Project, Washington 25, D.C., Dec. 1954, 50 pp, Microfilm \$3.30, Photocopy \$7.80.



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VLF Recording and Analyzing

An FM system of magnetic tape recording for signals from dc to 15 cps has been developed along with playback apparatus permitting wide band frequency analysis from 0.016 to 4.2 cps. The recorder operates for 24 hours unattended. The recordings can be played back either 30 or 60 times faster than when recorded, producing frequencies great enough to be separated by special octave band pass filters which were developed. PB 120991 Very Low Frequency Recording and Analyzing Instrument, W. E. Austin, NAVORD 3615, Order from Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Publications Board Project, Washington 25, D. C., Jan. 1954, 25 pp, Microfilm \$2.70, Photocopy \$4.80.

Transponder Approval Tests

Final report on the type approval tests for TN-103/APX "Black Maria" transponder. Horizontal and vertical directivity patterns were taken of the antenna and horizontal patterns for the S-band portion over the frequency band required. SWVR of the antenna for both S- and G-bands were measured at several points. PB 120718 Type Approval Tests For TN-103/APX "Black Maria" Transponder (For IFF Mark III), D. P. Heritage, NRL Report 2740, Order from Library of Congress, Photoduplication Servize, Publications Board Project Washington 25, D.C., Jan. 1946, 21 pp, Microfilm \$2.70, Photocopy \$4.80.

Ordnance Resistance Measurement

The problem of measuring resistance of a sensitive initiator, such as a primer or detonator, has resulted in the development of a number of special meters. Presented is a brief description of several special purpose meters and analysis of some common general purpose meters, with low current characteristics usually. PB 122077 Discussion of Some Meters and Test Sets For the Resistance Measurement of Electric Primers and Detonators, A. M. Corbin, NAVORD 2288, Order from Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Publications Board Project, Washington 25 D.C., Jan. 1952, 22 pp, Microfilm \$2.70, Photocopy \$4.80.

Data Reduction and Storage

This report is on superimposed coding as recorded in two are more codes in the same field to facilitate information searching on machine-sorted index cards. Multiple and single field types are discussed and tables on dropping fractions for multiple and single field coding used for searching any machine or catalog are included. PB 121345 Superimposed Coding For Data Storage, M. Taube, OTS, US Dept. of Commerce, Washington 25, DC, Sept. 1956, 27 pp. \$0.75.



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Post-Pulse Clipping Circuit For Pulse Modulators

Patent No. 2,744,195. P. Winokur, Jr. (Assigned to Philco Corporation.)

In radar systems, a magnetron is usually used in the oscillator and it is triggered by a negative pulse of short duration and relatively high amplitude. This negative pulse is applied to the cathode of the magnetron through a coupling transformer. Because of the inductance and distributed capacitance in the coupling transformer and the non linearity of the magnetron, there is a "backswing" positive voltage generated which can detrimentally affect the magnetron, such as setting up spurious oscillations. Damping of this backswing voltage has been sought by using a diode as a unidirectional switch shunting the primary winding of the transformer. Diodes, however, have limited current capacity with the result that a relatively high resistance must be used in series therewith, with the result that in high power systems the clipping of the backswing voltage is not wholly effective. Backswing voltages can also damage the magnetron.

Thyratrons also have been used in such damping circuits because they have high current capacity and, therefore, require considerably less load resistance. A difficulty is encountered with thyratrons because of the high interelectrode capacitance which acquire a negative charge on the grid cathode capacitance during the negative triggering pulse. As a result, there is a delay in firing the thyratron. This delay causes a sharp spike of backswing potential before the thyratron becomes conducting to damp the backswing voltage. This spike of positive potential sets up oscillations which generate undesired signals in the magnetron. In order to avoid this effect, it has been the practice to generate a thyratron triggering pulse which is applied to the control grid of the thyratron to render the tube conducting without delay. This additional cir-

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cuit means makes the circuit more complex.

The circuit illustrated provides effective damping in a very simple manner, using thyratron tube. The pulse source 10 coupled to the cathode circuit of the magnetron through a coupling transformer, 16 18. The backswing potential is dissipated through the resistor 28 and the thyratron 24 In order to avoid the negative charge de veloped between the cathode and grid o the thyratron by the negative triggering pulse, a winding 20 is coupled to the primary winding 16 of the transformer so that a positive pulse is generated by the nega tive triggering pulse in the primary windin 16. This positive pulse is applied to th control grid of the thyratron through a de lay circuit 26. As a consequence, a positiv pulse is applied to the electrodes of the thyratron during the negative pulse which counteracts the negative interelectrod charge and maintains the thyratron in conductive state when the backswing vol age is generated. The backswing potential dissipated through the thyratron without any positive spike as heretofore encountered in a circuit using a thyratron in the dampin connection.

Transistor Trigger Circuits

Patent No. 2,744,198. G. Raisbeck. (A signed to Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc Trigger or multivibrator circuits usin

two vacuum tubes are well known. With

the tubes alternately becoming conductive, symmetrical wave forms are derived from such circuits because of the phase inversion characteristic of the vacuum tubes. similar circuits have been attempted using a pair of transistors. Since phase inversion s not a characteristic of a transistor such circuits have not been entirely successful.

If each of a pair of like transistors have heir respective collector electrode connected with the emitter electrode of the ther, a circuit is derived in which both transistors change from a current conductng state to a non-conducting state at the ame time and not alternately as in the sual multivibrator circuit. A multivibrator ircuit using a pair of transistors has been devised in which the collector of each tranistor is coupled to the base electrode of he other transistor. In such a circuit the ransistors become conductive alternately and a symmetrical output wave is secured. the difficulty in this circuit is that no electode can be connected to ground, and as a onsequence stability is lost and it is not ctive uitable for some applications.

The patentee has devised a multivibrator ircuit using transistors as shown in Fig. 1.

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This is accomplished by using a P-type of transistor as one of the amplifying elements and an N-type transistor for the other. These two transistors have current voltage characteristics of opposite sign which is made use of to generate a symmetrical wave form. In this circuit the emitter of an N-type transistor I is coupled to the collector of the other transistor 2 which is a P-type and the collector of the latter is coupled to the emitter of the former. For the N-type transistor operating current is provided for the emitter by the circuit R2, battery 3, and inductance L. The P-type emitter circuit has operating current supplied by battery 4 through resistors R'2 and inductance L. In this circuit the base electrodes are and can be grounded to provide stability.

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Basics of Phototubes and Photocells

David Mark. John F. Rider Publisher, Inc., 480 Canal St., New York 13, N.Y., 136 pages, \$2.90.

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Training Manual On Antennas, Vol. I

Philco Corp., TechRep Div., 22nd St. and Lehigh Ave., Philadelphia 32, Pa., 221 pages, \$1.93.

This manual, intended primarily for training technicians, is an excellent elementary text on antennas and propagation. The electronic designer may find the manual useful as a reference, or for familiarization with a specific-type antenna system or construction. The main topics treated are propagation of radio waves, antenna fundamentals, transmission-line theory, methods of feed at the antenna, coupling circuits, and types of antennas. Construction and measurement information and a glossary of antenna terms are provided.



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What The Russians Are Writing

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Contents of Avtomatika i Telemekhanika No. 8, 1956

DC Amplifiers with Photo Compensation, B. A. Seliber, S. G. Rabinovich, (18 pp, 13 figs).

When bolometers or similar devices are used to measure photocell currents, low temperatures, radioactivity, etc., it is necessary to employ dc measuring instruments with sensitivities much higher than those of conventional moving-coil or d'Arsonval galvanometer elements. This paper deals with galvanometric instruments with photocell feedback amplifiers, so-called photo-compensation amplifiers. A diagram of such an amplifier (designated F-16) is given in Fig. 1. The authors discuss the principal parameters of some amplifiers, the inherent errors, and actual methods of error compensation. The operation of photocells and photoresistances is analyzed, and some recommendations are made concerning the best selection of photocells.





The output signal of radioactivity indicator consists of pulses of various amplitudes, the spectrum of which is sometimes too wide for the transmission channel. It is therefore of interest to find ways of narrowing the spectrum, principally by converting the random distribution of the pulses obtained at the output of the indicator into an equivalent discrete distribution, with the pulses spaced by time intervals that are either. equal or multiples of a fixed value. Essentially this involves storing the random signals in a memory device and cyclic pickoff at a constant frequency. The memories used may be capacitors, ferromagnetic coils, or cathode-ray storage tubes. A memory device using ca Auto pacitors is shown in Fig. 2. The various stages of pulse put shaping are illustrated in Fig. 3.

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Magnetic-Amplifier Control of Two-Phase Induction Mctor, O. I. Aven, S. M. Domanitski, A. Ia. Lerner, (5 pp, 7 figs).

The use of two ordinary saturated reactors instead of a push-pull magnetic amplifier for reversing control of two-phase induction motors is shown to be more efficient. The control of a servomotor, Fig. 4, is used as an illustrative example. The discussion includes simple mathematical analysis, curves, and experimenal test results.



Automatic Control Systems Containing Digital Comoulse puters, la. Z. Tsypkin, (15 pp, 13 figs).

The digital computer is treated in this article as an element of the control loop, and the usual operational nalysis is performed. A classification is given for varius automatic control systems containing digital computers. Some of the more advanced control-theory methods, including the theory of intermittent-control systems, are used to determine the dynamic behavior of the system.

Comparison Analysis of some Improved Methods of Dn-Off Control, A. A. Kampe-Nemm, (19 pp, 22 figs).

On-Off control of temperature or other parameters still among the most widely used regulation methods. ts main shortcoming is that it is sometimes accomanied by a continuous, frequently considerable flucnation of the regulated quantity. In many cases this mits the accuracy and applicability of the control. The article discusses several methods of improving the ccuracy of On-Off control. Among the methods conidered are the addition of first-derivative supplementary pulses, the use of thermocouple correcting deices, and other schemes. Experimental and graphical malysis of the various schemes presented is given.

pproximate Theory of Magnetic-Modulated Transucers, M. D. Ageev, (13 pp, 15 figs).

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Use of Semiconductor Diodes in Non-Linear Analog Computer Elements, G. M. Petrov, (10 pp, 16 figs).

In several previously abstracted articles it was shown that the non-linear elements most extensively used in Soviet computers for such operations as mul tiplication of two quantities or for function generation employ essentially piecewise-linear approximation with diode circuits. Some of the characteristics of such diode circuits are discussed in this article, and new diodes for use in non-linear computers are proposed Included among such diodes are silicon point-contact and junction elements as well as germanium junction diodes.

New Russian Books on Electronics

The publication of the following book is schedule 5 for the last quarter of 1956 and the first quarter of 1957:

"Pulsed Thyratrons," by T. A. Vornchev. Devote to the results of theoretical and experimental invest gations of pulsed thyratrons. Discussion of the deve opment and design of the hydrogen-filled thyratro and of the physical processes that take place durin its operation. The book also contains an analysis the operation of a linear modulator, as well as tech nological and construction information.

"Transistors in Automatic-Control Installation," I I. Konev. Covers application of junction transistors medium-current amplifiers and in phase-sensiti amplifying circuits. Gives procedure for the desir of several circuits.

"Theory of Random Processes and its Application to Radio Engineering," B. R. Levin. In addition providing the minimum theory needed by the rad engineer for handling the subject, the book contain copious radio-engineering examples, illustrating the potentialities of probability-theory methods in the solution of many practical problems.

"Elements of the Theory of Bessel Function w Applications to Radio Engineering," T. A. Rozet.

Other books scheduled for publication are a ne edition of Andronov and Khaikin's "Theory of Ose lation," a book on Radio Meteorology by D. Nasilov, a book on Theormocouple Cooling by A. Ioffe (Soviet expert on semiconductors) and othe two books, one by S. A. Lebedev "Electronic Comp ters," and the other by A. I. Kitov, and "Automa (i. e., Machine) Translation" by D. Iu. Panov.

Announced titles that are somewhat off the beat track are: "Theory of Potential Noise Stability" V. A. Kotel'nikov, "Mathematical Analysis of Bea by A. N. Popov, "Non-Linear Ceramic Capacitors" D. M. Kazarnovski.

It may interest our readers to know that among many American books to be translated soon in Russian are "Television" by Zvorykin and Mort "Magnetic Amplifiers" by Storm, "Ferromagnetis by Bozorth, "Information Theory" by Goldman, a "Principles of Color Television" by Kyver.

Russian Hams

We notice with interest that Russian amateurs are wa at different from hams all over the world and like web to let their fellow hams in on all sorts of makeshift nul gear and various hookup hints. Two such tips are tion given in the December 1955 Radio, a popular amateur wit magazine.

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Russian Wire and Cable

Those who attempt to read Russian wiring diagrams sooner or later come up against the types and sizes of wire used in radio communication and allied fields. The following rather extensive table is taken from "Spravochnik Radioliubitelia" (Radio-Amateur's Handbook), a 250-page booklet published by Gosenergoizdat (State Power Publishing House) in 1955. Wire sizes are always given in mm (unless otherwise described).

Winding Wire

Russian Letters	Translit- eration	Description
лэшо	LEShO	Lietz (h-f) wire with enamelled, single silk cover
лэшд	LEShD	Lietz wire with enamelled strands, double-silk cover
ПБО ПБОО	PBO PBOO	Copper wire, single cotton cover Copper wire, cotton cover and braid
ПБД ПШО	PBD PShO	Copper wire, double cotton cover Copper wire, single silk cover
пшко	PShKO	Copper wire, double silk cover Copper wire, single-layer silk- capron cover
пэв	PEV	Copper wire, coated with "viny- flex" enamel
пэл	PEL	Copper wire, enamelled lacquer- proof
пэлбо	PELBO	Copper wire, enamelled lacquer- proof in cotton single-layer cover
пэлбд	PELBD	Copper wire, enamelled lacquer- proof in cotton double-layer cover
пэлшо	PELShO	Copper wire, enamelled lacquer- proof in silk single-layer cover
пэлшд	PELShD	Copper wire, enamelled lacquer- proof in silk double-layer cover
пэлшко	PELShKO	Copper wire, enamelled lacquer- proof in silk-capron single-layer
пэлшкд	PELShKD	cover Copper wire, enamelled lacquer- proof in silk-capron double-layer

The marking of constantan or manganin wire is the same as that of copper, except that the letter K or M follows the marking, e.g.: **ПШОК** PShOK Constantan wire, single-layer silk cover.

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Hookup Wire

MGSh Hookup wire, flexible, silk braid MGShD Hookup wire, flexible, silk singlelayer cover



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NF500	MGBOO	Hookup wire, flexible, cotton cover and braid
нгб оол	MGBOOL	Hookup wire, flexible, cotton cover and lacquered braid
NFB	MGV	Hookup wire, flexible, vinylite in- sulation
игвл	MGVL	Hookup wire, flexible, vinylite in- sulation, lacquered cotton braid
NP	MR	Hookup wire, single-conductor, rubber insulated
IPF	MRG	Hookup wire, rubber-insulated, flexible
иргл	MRGL	Hookup wire, rubber-insulated, flexible in lacquered cotton braid
nMB	PMV	Hookup wire, single-conductor, vinylite insulation
MOB	PMOV	Hookup wire, single-conductor, vinylite insulation, braided
nmbΓ	PMVG	Hookup wire, vinylite insulation, flexible
IBP	PVR	Hookup wire, vinylite insulation, for wired-radio installations
MLU	RMSh	Speaker cord with tinsel-wire conductors in cotton braid
mш	RPSh	Cord with rubber installation for radio-installation wiring in rubber sheath
тшэ	RPShE	Cord with rubber insulation for radio-installation wiring, in rub- ber sheath, shielded
эш	RSh	Speaker cord in colored or glazed cotton braid
ШЭП	ShEP	Cord for electric record players

The identity of a wire not listed above can be uessed at by noting that the code is based on the llowing abbreviations (those underlined are the most robable).

issian etter	Translit- eration	Designation
	в	cotton
	۷	vinyl, vinylite, vinyflex
	G	flexible
	D	double
	к	capron, constantan (end of symbol only)
	L	Lietz wire, lacquered, lacquerproof
	M	hookup wire, manganin (end of symbol)
	0	single, braid, single-layer, cover
	Ρ	wire, supply, player
	R	rubber, radio, speaker
1	Sh	silk, cord, sheath
	E	enamelled, shielded, electric



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PRINTED wiring techniques have long been applied to computers in the design of individual printed circuit cards, but the interconnection of these cards has remained a wiring and cabling problem. To eliminate the drawbacks of hand wiring in a recent transistorized computer (IBM 608), a three-dimensional printed wiring lattice was developed to replace the usual back panel and its maze of wires and cables. In this new design the printed circuit cards plug directly into the printed lattice. All interconnections have been printed into the lattice in three dimensions. This arrangement is shown to be flexible in design and adaptable to a highly mechanized manufacturing

Printed Wiring

in Three Dimensions

Problem

Fig. 1—Back panel of computer storage register. The wires and cables are connections between printed circuit component cards plugged into the panel.



Solution

Fig. 2—Three dimensional printed circuit lattice is equivalent to all interconnecting cables on back panel of computer.

method. The system also guarantees the repeatability th of wiring paths, eliminating stray coupling errors ea found in individual hand-wired computers.

Initial design of the lattice centered around the circuit component card shown in Fig. 4, taking into consideration its existing electrical and physical requirements. Conductors are arranged in narrow strips as shown in Fig. 3. When conductors must connect at strip junctions, conductor paths are brought together at the same level at the corner, as shown in Fig. 3. The entire circuit is prepared in this manner and all the circuit strips assembled. The assembly is then iminmersed in a solder bath. The solder wets the con-



Fig. 3—Modular elements for three dimensional printed wiring. ductors and fillets in the corner where two conductors meet, completing the electrical circuit.

An assembly of the elemental strips nested together prior to the soldering operation is shown in Fig. 2, and the same assembly after immersion into the solder and affixing of hardware is illustrated in Fig. 4. The spring contacts shown on the top of the assembly are the connecting device between the back panel section and the tabs of the circuit cards. Two of the 36 circuit cards are plugged into the assembly in Fig. 4. A molded connector for cable information for service voltages and communication to and from the rest of the computer is provided. This assembly physically and electrically replaces the sockets and wiring shown in Fig. 1. The array replaces approximately 650 wires and the sockets. It should be noted that the cable entry and exit hubs have been centralized and systematized in one location.

Engineering changes can be handled by several methods. In Fig. 3, in the rear view of the larger element, the contact pads on top all have conductors leading to pads on the bottom of the strip. In the array, the bottom pads are at the back of the panel and are easily accessible. Part of a conductor is easily removed by scratching or cutting with a sharp tool. After all of the undesired circuits have been removed, the customer engineer can either clip or solder conventional coninsulated wires to the small pads in the rear and uirethereby create a new wiring hook-up. Preliminary inis as dications are that it might be possible to remove a vertical card from a soldered assembly and install a The new vertical card. On an extensive change, the relatively low cost of a back panel module would indicate l the it might be economical to send a new, completely con

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Fig. 5—Three views of an assembly section, showing layout of circuits. Cards have been drawn split at the

tested assembly to the field to replace an obsolet to section. The old section would either be destroyed oproreturned to the factory for updating.

Changes can be accomplished quite easily at the card manufacturing level. Because of the relatively larg The number of conducting paths available, it is compare in H tively easy to effect a change in artwork to add new in h circuits to the required vertical elements.

Each point in the circuitry is available for probinities by virtue of the pads at the bottom of the strip. In Fig pers 3 it can be seen that these pads also serve a mechanica sect purpose. After the circuit strips are soldered, a strong tom fillet is formed at the intersection of the horizontal and mer vertical elements, adding much to the inheren to H strength of the assembly.

The physical spacing is identical to that of the the sockets used in the IBM 608, thus allowing the sam horn circuit-to-volume ratio. This system provides a larg due number of conductor paths. By increasing the widt pair of the strips and thereby allowing more conductor and the designer can allow for his circuit requirements.

Engineering prototypes can be easily and quick inclusion bench-built. Utilizing vertical elements that contains the all the unvarying patterns of printed conductors, the technician can construct new circuit elements with show conventional wires laid along the eventual path of the printed wires. The conventional wires are soldered to printed wires. The conventional wires are soldered to printed wires. The conventional wires are soldered to printed wires. When these elements are joined to pade the standard horizontal strips and the solder filled wire made, the circuit is complete. Thus, circuits can be had evaluated in a matter of a few hours after they have over been designed, with electrical characteristics identic to the solder of the standard horizontal strips and the solder filled wire have been designed, with electrical characteristics identic to the solder to be an evaluate the solder of a few hours after they have over been designed, with electrical characteristics identic to the solder to be an evaluate to the solder the solder they have over been designed.



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olete to those of the manufactured product. This aid may ed o prove quite valuable.

The mechanical design of the circuits for vertical t the cards turns out to be a fast and relatively simple task. large The design of the printed wiring for the circuits shown para in Fig. 1 has been done by an uninitiated technician new in less than three hours. This includes the routing and

assignment of the 170 cable conductors associated with obini this section. A section of an assembly is shown, in a Fig perspective, in Fig. 5a, and Fig. 5b shows the same anica section with the elements split and opened at the bottron tom. A view looking directly down at the opened-eleal and ment section is shown in Fig. 5c. A work sheet similar heren to Fig. 5c is used to draw in the conductors connect-

ing the desired contact points. From this work sheet of the artwork for the vertical elements is drawn. The samporizontal members are identical, a standardized conlarg ductor pattern on each element. The section of back widt panel wiring shown in Fig. 4 has been in actual use on actor an IBM 608 Computer for several months. During this its. period it functioned without any trouble or disturbuicklance. Compared to the conventionally wired circuits, ontai the printed back panel shows approximately 15 per rs, the cent more capacitance to ground. The same section withhows approximately 33 per cent less interlead capaciof the ance than the conventional wires. This improvement red probably due to the greater uniformity of conductor ned t pacing possible with printed wiring than with flexible fillewires. On the basis of limited experience, it is reported can behat the solder fillets performed satisfactorily on the y hav overpower transistor circuits. Abstracted from an arlentic ticle by E. R. Wyma, IBM Journal, Jan. 1957.

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