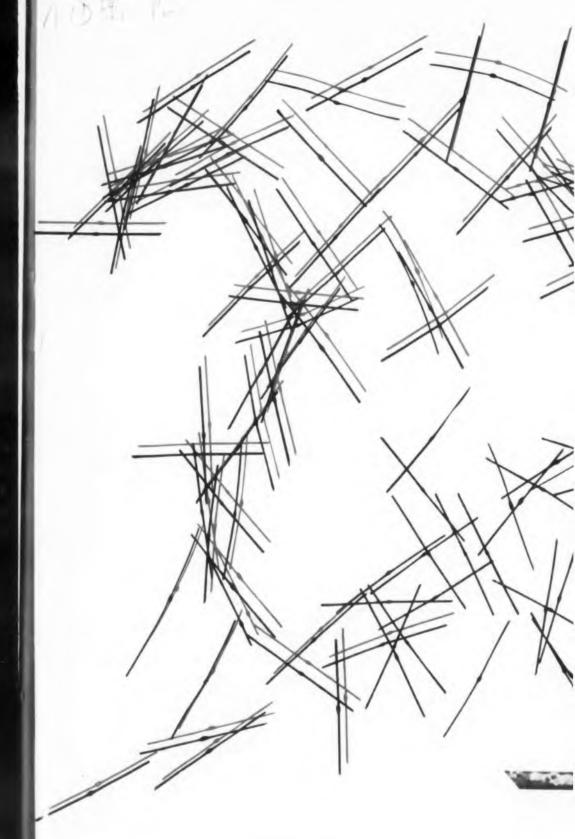
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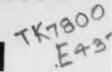
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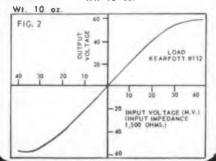
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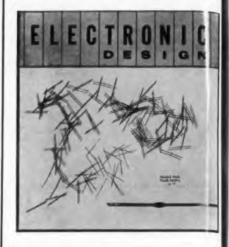
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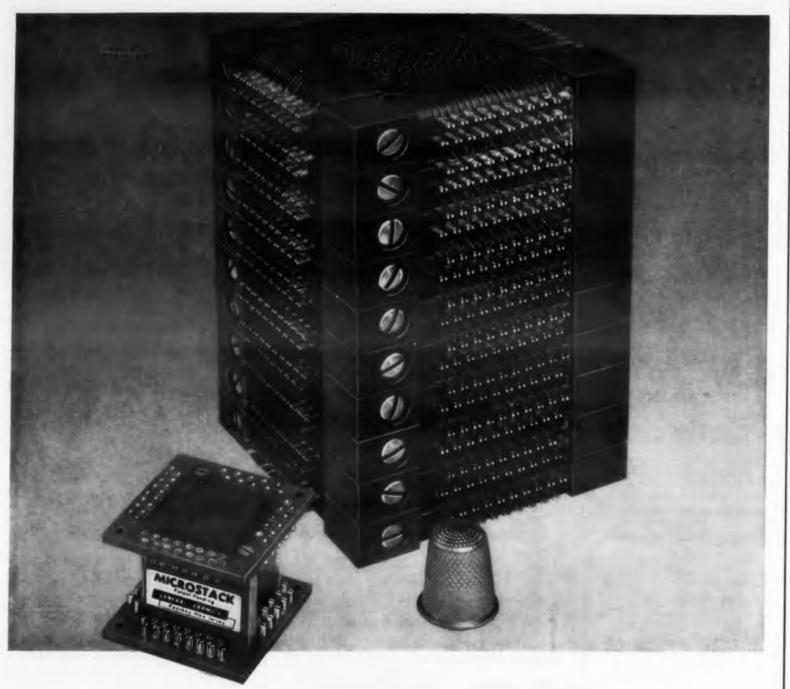
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# Canadian Electronics Bouncing Back

**E** LECTRONICS up North is emerging from its lean years headed in a new direction. The industry, though still convalescent, is aggressively pushing its designs on potential customers in the U. S. Three years ago things were different.

Then, in the face of a rising Canadian Gross National Product and record half-billion electronic sales the year before, sales dropped more than 15 per cent. Protectionist "buy Canadian" talk increased and uncertainty clouded the industry's future. Some companies collapsed, many designers and other engineers drifted to the U. S. and Europe.

The decline was blamed on reduction in defense spending, a sharp rise in importation of parts and products, and a weakening of the consumer electronics market.

Now, Canada's electronics industry is once again confident, expanding and making an impression in design circles. Paralleling this transformation is a tightening of links between the Canadian and U. S. electronics industries.

What has happened? Canadians cite three factors:

- The joint U.S.-Canadian Production Sharing Program, under which Canadian suppliers have easier access than before to U.S. military contracts.
- New emphasis on research and product development—a result of the realization that Canada must be selective in choosing areas of electronic competition.
- An upturn in Canada's consumer electronics

Since 1933 and the passage of the "Buy American" act, bids made by Canadians on U.S. military contracts had to be increased by a factor that was equivalent to a tariff. Moreover, end items for (Continued)

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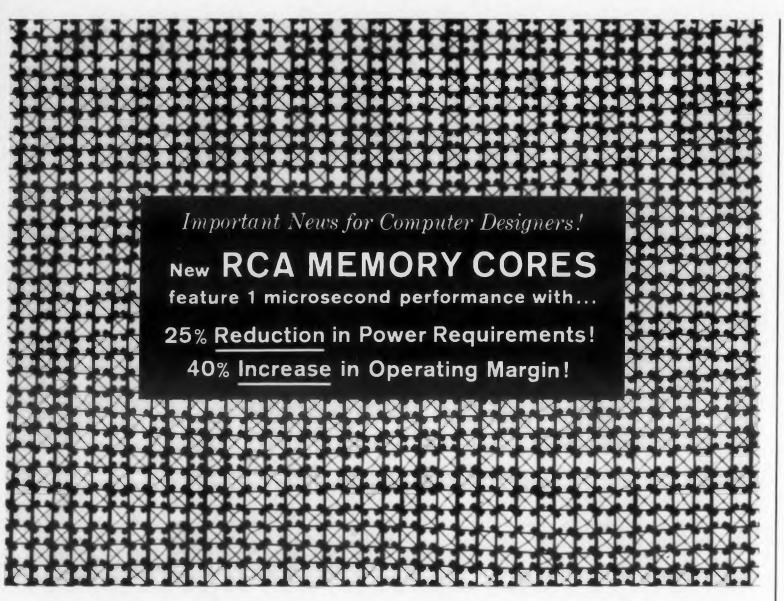
Two prizes for best Canadian-designed electronic product and component were awarded to two companies exhibiting at the Canadian IRE show in Toronto last month. Criteria for the awards included originality, usefulness, quality of design, human engineering, marketability and other considerations. The contest was judged by men prominent in Canadian electronics, who named as winners Raytheon Canada, Ltd., and Bach-Simpson, Ltd.



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the U.S. military had to have a U.S. parts content of at least 50 per cent in general.

These restrictions, though they did not apply to equipment unavailable in the U.S., were inconsistent with the official policies of the American and Canadian Governments to establish cooperation in defense production. Though the U.S. military services interpreted the "buy American' restrictions liberally, preference was clearly given in competitive procurement to U.S. suppliers.

This year, however, the Defense Production Sharing Program was instituted by agreement between the two countries. Under the program, military electronics equipment supplied by Canada to U.S. contractors and military services is, in effect, exempt from provisions of the "Buy American" act.

Canadian suppliers receive preference over all other foreign sources and are often treated as American suppliers. Duty-free privileges can be obtained in subcontract work, and the Canadian electronics industry has been invited to tell its story to the U.S. military services.

The first results of the program are becoming apparent. Canadian Aviation Electronics, Ltd., has earned a fire-control subcontract from Hughes Engineering, and other successes have been made in radar, communications and data processing.

Canada is banking heavily on the Production Sharing Program. The Minister of Defense Production told Canada's Parliament that the Canadian electronic industry is "now in a transition period, which is likely to persist for two or three years, during which Canadian defense electronic production must be reoriented, in a very large measure, to serve a North American rather than a Canadian market."

Because production sharing is linked to R & D, the Canadians are hopeful of eventually receiving either significant research contracts or complete responsibility for a phase of the North American defense effort, or both.

To get its share, Canada's electronic industry has:

- Formed a Defense Production Sharing Committee in the Canadian Electronics Industries Association to help Canadians do business in the U.S.
- Started to set up American subsidiaries to relieve U.S. customers of customs and other paperwork. Both Sinclair Radio Labs and Welwyn Resistor have established two-man offices in the U.S. to handle this chore.
- Undertaken to exhibit in American shows. In addition Government help is available to companies seeking American markets for their products or services.

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The director of the Canadian IRE, A.P.H. Barclay, wrote recently, "In Canada we cannot hope to spread ourselves across the whole elecrenic horizon but must narrow our sights to parlicular fields of endeavor."

This sums up the Canadian position: that in a country of some 16 million people, R & D for export rather than mass production for home consumption should be the electronic industry's goal. Canada's Deputy Minister of Defense Produc-

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tion, D. A. Golden, says: "Canadian industry will be able to share in . . . production programs only if its engineering capacity can be maintained and technical competence advanced through the performance of appropriate development tasks."

Therefore, the Canadian Government underwrites a good deal of electronic research—on the assumption that production sharing presupposes development sharing.

To keep military R & D efforts efficient, an Electronic Component Research and Development Committee advises the Government's Deense Research Board on the development of components to meet or anticipate defense require-

Another reason for confidence in Canada's elecronics industry, at least for the near future, is the pening of the replacement market for TV sets. Saturation of the TV-set market was an important actor in the sagging sales of the last two years.

More help will be given by the establishment of second TV channels in major cities now served only by the Canadian Broadcasting Company network.

#### **U.S.-Canadian Industries Moving Closer**

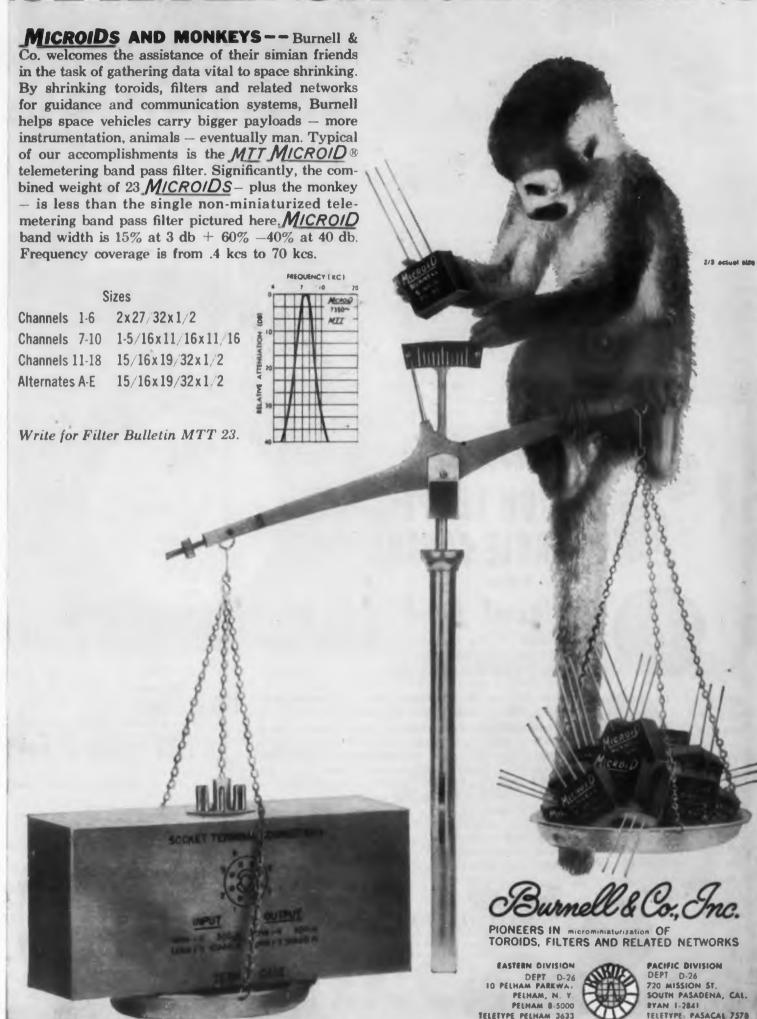
Most of the exhibitors at last month's Canadian RE show were either American companies or Canadian subsidiaries and affiliates of American companies. Many of the U.S. concerns wanting izable business with Canada have set up overhe-border units to get it.

Some Canadian subsidiaries are merely marketng or production facilities for their U.S. parents. But others have strong R & D departments that re contributing substantially to the company

Two engineers from Canadian Westinghouse ontributed the paper judged best at last year's National Electronic Conference. Raytheon Canada esigned a scan converter around the parent comany's scan converter tube and won the bestesigned-product prize at this year's Canadian FE show. Northern Electric, the Bell System's anadian affiliate, is doing advanced research in wide range of fields.

With close company tie-ins, with many Cana-In engineers working in this country, and with to he new Production Sharing Program, the gap neir between the U.S. and Canadian electronics instries is narrowing.

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EMI	L+R	15	>90	$L^1+R^1$	0.1	22	±0.5
Halstead	2L—R	15	70	2R-L	15	41	±7

#### **FM Stereo Systems With AM Subcarriers**

GF	L+R	15	50	L—R	15	31.5	d.s.b.
Zenith	L+R	15	90	L—R	15	39	
							S.C.

Notes: d.s.b.—double sideband s.c.—suppressed carrier

#### **TV Sound Stereo Systems**

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A-Same as FM system. B-Same as FM system but suppressed carrier Notes: ith, Vo  $-\pm 5$  KC swing FM. D—Lower side band suppressed carrier.

#### **AM Stereo Systems**

System	L+R Information	L—R Information			
	E-FR IIIIoiiiidiioii	Bandwidth KC	How Obtained		
CBS	Normal AM	\$	Phase Mod.		
Philco	Normal AM	0.3-?	Phase Mod.		
GE	Normal AM	0.3-4	±4 KC FM		
RCA	Normal AM	5	±0.5 KC FM		
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THE NAGGING question of multiplex adapter availability was raised again at the recent New York High Fidelity Music Show. With tereo playback equipment domia ing the attention of the 46,000 visitors, major manufacturers of tuners and complete packages were bejeged with requests for stereo roadcast adapters. But, as in previous years, spokesmen were again compelled to stall the public, be-Federal Communications Commission evaluation of proosed systems has not been comleted.

No less than 22 stereophonic systems are being evaluated by the National Stereophonic Radio Committee (NSRC) in its effort to help he FCC set up standards for the proadcasting and manufacturing ndustry.

Though systems are proposed for each broadcast service—fm, am and elevision—highest priority is being given to fm. The FCC has asked the industry for its recommendations on fm by Dec. 11. NSRC is giving its highest priority to the evaluations of Panel 1 on System specifications, under the chairmanthip of C. J. Hirsch.

#### **AM-FM Systems Outlined**

In a recent report, Mr. Hirsch decribed the 22 proposed systems and progress toward agreement on which might be the best to offer for the FCC's consideration.

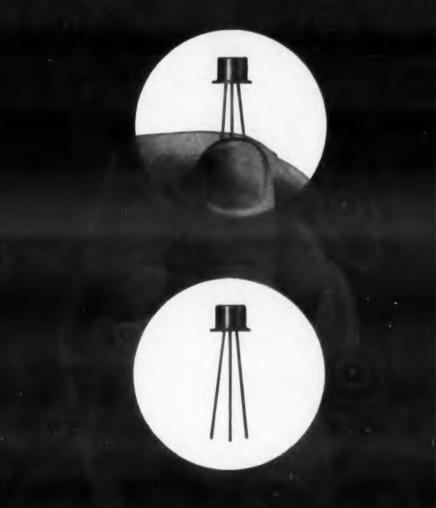
For fm, systems are proposed by Calbest, Crosby, Halstead, Electrial and Musical Industries, Ltd. EMI); General Electric, Philco, Zenith, Volpe, Svorec, Neeley and Liphincott. For am, schemes have been ubmitted by GE, Kahn, EMI, hilco, Westinghouse, the Columbia Broadcasting System and Radio Cerporation of America. For TV, ystems have been offered by GE, EMI, Motorola and Philco.

The fm systems are divided into wo groups: those with fm subcarier (EMI, Calbest, Crosby and Hallead) and with am subcarrier (GE, enith, Volpe, Svorec, Neely and ippincott). Philco had an am subarrier system but withdrew it, stater that its advantages were not

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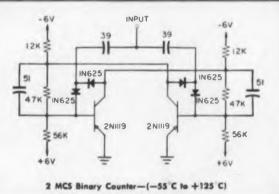
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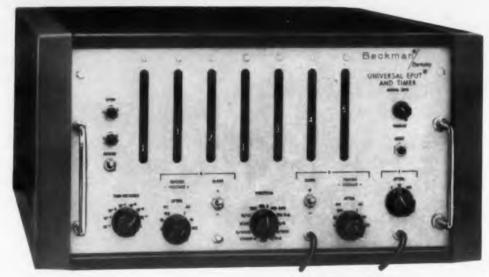
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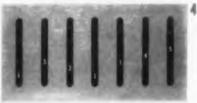


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great enough to justify prolongation of debate.

At the time of Mr. Hirsch's report, only the fm-am group had offered preliminary findings NSRC was still awaiting reports from the fm-lm the am broadcasting and the TV groups. Another committee is completing a theoretical comparison of fm-fm and fm-am systems.

#### **Preliminary Findings Noted**

Mr. Hirsch reported the results of the prelimi nary findings on fm-am systems as follows:

"The GE system provides the least expensive stereo performance, because the receiver does not need to reconstruct the subcarrier.

"Philco and Zenith, because they need not re serve modulation range for the subcarrier, which is nearly suppressed, allow fuller modulation (almost 100 per cent) for L + R channels and there fore are expected to provide superior monophoni and stereophonic reproduction."

"There appears to be little to choose between Philco and Zenith in performance. The same car be said for the time-multiplex systems, since after modification, they will resemble the Zenith approach very closely. However, as stated above the receivers are more complicated than the GE

"The Receiver Panel (No. 4) of NSRC will be asked to evaluate the relative complexity of the fm-am receivers. If a system gives greater per formance but results in costlier receivers, the fact will be presented to the FCC for decision."

Factors being considered by the committee with the final decision up to the FCC are: com patibility, signal-to-noise (monophonic and stereo stereo effect, receiver and transmitter complexity utilization of spectrum space, and effect of propa gation (multipath).

The systems specification panel has been suffering delays, Mr. Hirsch said, because adequate test facilities could not be found by Panel 6 (Suljective Aspect). This was resolved by the offer of facilities by Bell Labs.

Thus another year may pass before final sy tem approval is decided by the FCC. Until ther major manufacturers are reluctant to invest in th development and production of adapter units of the A Monophonic broadcast reception will still prevai for the coming year.

#### **Electronics Education to Benefit** from Ford Foundation Grants

Two of the most unusual applications of the \$19.5 million recently granted by the Ford Foun dation to 10 schools to modernize the teaching

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Case Institute of Technology will use its \$1 million to create centers in engineering design and systems research and Massachusetts Institute of Technology will introduce new curricula to meet the requirements of tomorrow's engineering.

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Believing that "the greatest emphasis in engineering education should be placed upon the close relationships and inter-disciplinary characer of modern engineering and science." Case will set up an engineering design laboratory that will pecialize in authentic design problems. Among projects being considered are those for computercontrolled machine tools, electronically controlled devices for the handicapped, and instruments for musual environments.

The laboratory will be headed by Dr. J. B. ot re-Reswick, who defines engineering design as "the reative experience which begins with an original concept or idea, utilizes science and engineering, md ends with the construction and evaluation of device or system which meets a human need."

The lab will specialize in "authentic design moblems" and will cut across many of the existing boundaries between the special fields in engineerng and science, according to Case.

Work at the systems research center will also ross different fields. The center is said to be the irst academically based center in systems engieering. It will use the talents of the entire Case

Systems under study for early work at the cener include a complex automatic computer for facts adustrial control and a large-scale communicaion system.

rittee. MIT will use its \$9.275-million grant to suport a program of development and innovation in ereolts engineering school. Seven professorships in exity ewly emerging fields will be created, new labs ropa o demonstrate fundamental concepts will be deeloped, and steps will be taken to help students nancially through fellowships and loans.

A major program will be the creation of "new yntheses of courses to couple the basic science ith the newly emerging fields of engineering and o introduce students to the 'hard-headed' purosefulness of engineering."

The awards were announced during a meeting units of the American Institute of Consulting Engineers revaily Dr. H. T. Heald, president of the Ford Founntion, who asserted that engineering education and fallen behind engineering developments.

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# Details of Perceptron Recognition Research Reported

THE FIRST actual pattern-recognition perceptron is nearing completion at the Cornell Aeronautical Laboratories in Buffalo, N.Y., reported Dr. A. E. Murray at the National Electronic Conference last month.

Dr. Murray, who is active in the Navysponsored program, delivered a paper describing for the first time many details of the perceptron project.

Perceptron is the class name for a family of pattern recognition machines that operate on principles believed used in the human brain. So far, all except one perceptron exist only as simulations on an IBM 704. The first actual Mark I per ceptron is now being completed and is expected to discriminate reliably between such patterns as E's and X's, squares and diamonds, and E's and F's.

The Mark I consists of 400 sensing transducers randomly connected to 512 electro-mechanical memory units called the association system. These units are randomly connected to response, or display, units. The response units are connected, also in random, through feedback circuits to the memory system.

In operation, a portion of an image is picked up by a transducer and passed to some of the memory elements, all of which are unbiased and equally likely to switch one way as another. The signal goes on to the display, from where its effect is fed back to strengthen or inhibit the memory cells so they will provide a memory trace that will dominate future responses.

The perceptron design is potentially versatile. Input can be radar, optical, audio or other stimuli. Output can be any

type of readout or display. But, Mr. port Murray told ELECTRONIC DESIGN, it is sion more difficult to force the machine to learn to do useful work than it is to permit it to learn spontaneously.

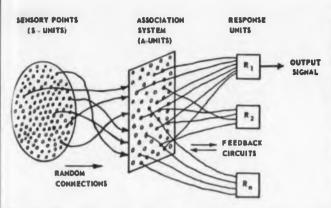
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This is because Perceptron network Two have no special relation-detectors and will be incapable of certain kinds of use job t ful behavior. They are at their best when result working with relatively noncoherent pat-traine terns. For coherent-pattern recognition tails a additional logic for coherence-sensing to be edge and corner detection, inside-outside train before-after, under-over, and other topo logical relationships, is expected to give is not improved performance, and will be re opera searched later. Except for work now under way in transform generalization and time relationships, effort has been con In fined to machines that sense only non least analytic attributes. But simulated per tional ceptrons have been taught to generalize each and discriminate coherent patterns and the no in special circumstances, to spontaneously of different special circumstances. form "rational" or useful classification straint for a collection of coherent stimuli. layer

One simulated perceptron recognized (sensor shapes regardless of position or orienta ciation tion, and in favorable (but not rigged sponse circumstances a perceptron modified it non-lin own transmission characteristics to reflect linear population characteristics met in its sign. In a environment. In some experiments a percontain ceptron was presented with a successio may it of horizontal and vertical bars in various small vertical and horizontal positions. This verting machine had only two possible responses to seve each of which eventually and spontane 400 or ously come to be associated with just on S-units bar class.

All perceptrons may be classed as multint the



Schematic of perceptron organization shows the three types of units that work together to recognize patterns. Sensory units can be photocells, filters, or any transducer. Output cells can feed any type of readout or display.

Mr. port signal transmission networks with transmisit is sion characteristics that can be arranged to change automatically or can be changed from the outside to adapt the machine to applications related to complex signal recognition and/or classification.

Works Two of the interesting features are:

and • The adaptation is operational. It is on-thef use job training, with the adaptation occurring as a when result of practicing the tasks to which it will be t pattrained. Neither the original internal circuit denition tails nor the details of the adaptive changes need using to be known or specified in order to construct or atside train a machine for useful or desirable behavior.

• The loss or malfunction of a few components of give is not likely to affect noticeably the reliability of operation.

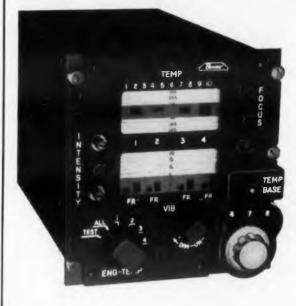
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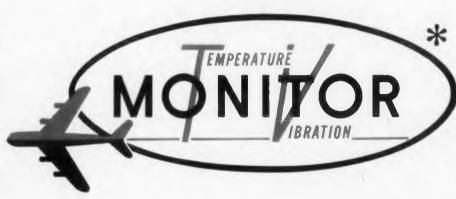
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In all perceptrons to date, there have been at non least three distinguishable sets or layers of funcper tional units. In a signal flow graph for the network, ralize each unit is a node of the network diagram and and the nodes are connected by branches. Nodal units eousl of different layers have different connection conation straints and different dynamic properties. Threelayer devices, have, in the first layer, S-units gnized (sensory cells); in the second layer, A-units (assorienta ciation cells); and in the third layer, R-units (reigged sponse or output cells). So far, except for S-units, ed it non-linear elements have yielded the best results; reflectinear A-units have been only briefly considered. signa In a practical machine, S-units either are or a per contain the input terminals for the network. They essio may include transducers, each sampling some ariousmall part of a complex input pattern and con-Thiverting this information into a signal transmitted onse to several A-units. In a moderate-size machine of ntant 400 or 500 or more A-units, connections from st on S-units to A-units may be random—one feasible construction scheme being to begin the wiring multiat the A-unit level, taking  $n_0$  leads from each

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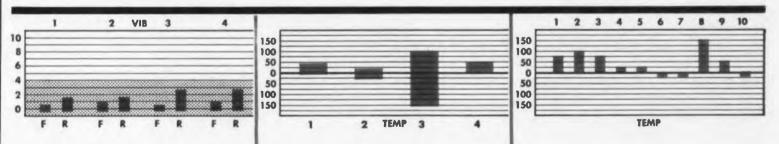
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Vibration indication for four engines with front and rear pickups on each. Height of display indicates total vibration displacement. Temperature "all" display indicating maximum and minimum temperatures above and below temperature datum for four engines.

Temperature for single engine indicates all thermocouples indicating temperature above or below temperature datum reference.

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A-unit and connecting them, in random fashion, to the S-units. If the task is pursued in this manner, the number of output leads from each S-unit will be a random variable.

Because of the plurality of outputs from each S-unit and the scrambled wiring between the S-units and the A-unit layer, each A-unit receives connections from several S-units, over which flows a rather unique, small sampling of any activity among the S-units. The uniqueness is enhanced by the provision for some S-units, or at least some  $S \rightarrow A$  branches, to inhibit the A-units they drive.

If the net sum of the signals received by an A-unit is sufficient to turn it "on", it will put out a signal to whatever R-units it has connections. Finally, the states of the R-units, as determined by the signals received from active A-units, either may be read by an observer as an identification or classification label or may be used to direct or otherwise control an external device.

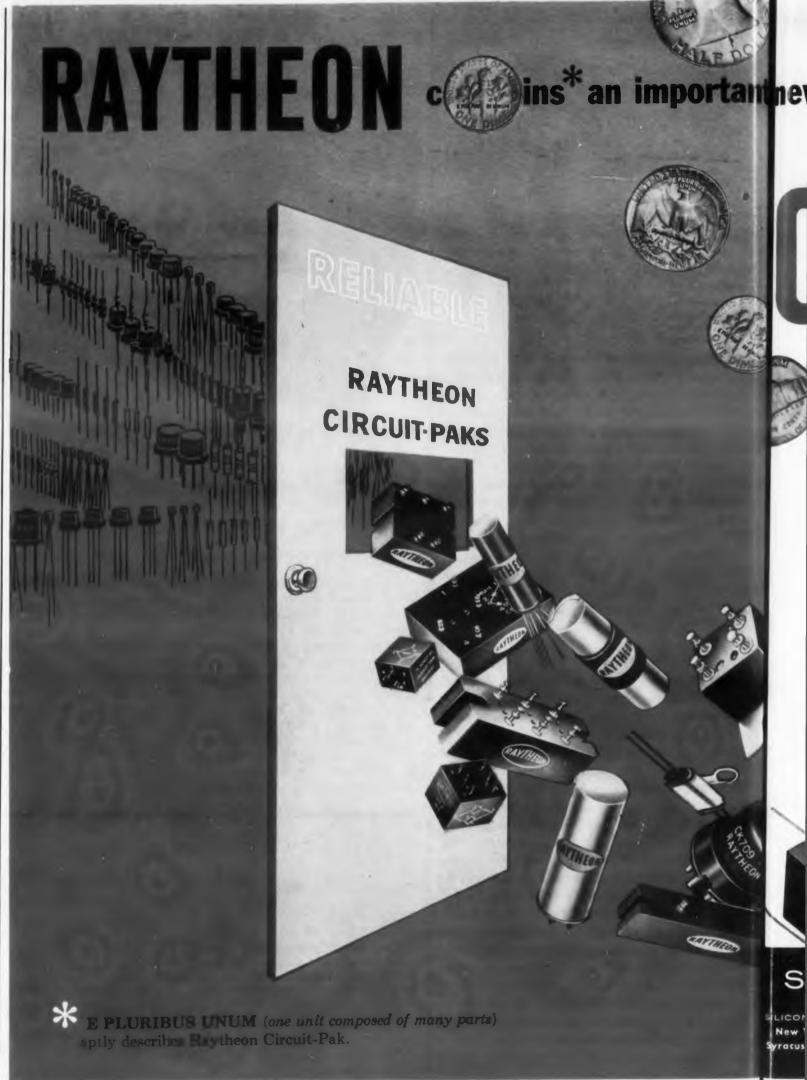
Adaptive changes in the system's performance are effected through lasting changes produced in the output levels of A-units by feedback from the R-units, which is integrated and stored in each A-unit as a level-setting value.

An R-unit may or may not have a threshold. Furthermore, since it acts as a signal port for the network proper, the physical character and utilization of its main output signal is at the discretion of the designer—it has nothing to do with the internal behavior of the network. The logical characteristics, however, are important. R-units may be designed to have any number of output states but it will make examples simpler if we consider an R-unit to be a 2-state device. An auxiliary output signal from one or both of its states is fed back to its A-units, modifying their stores values and thereby affecting their future output strength.

Closure of the feedback loop can occur through some external agent such as an operator or trainer or another machine. But if loop closure is internal to the network proper, the perceptron can be capable of self-training.

Stimuli for a perceptron consist of complex signal patterns of any number of dimensions. In a practical machine, such patterns may be optical images projected onto a retinal mosaic of photosensitive elements, waveforms fed to an analyzing filter-bank, or some other such projection of a set of physical attributes.

For optical inputs, each S-unit of a perceptron would possess a photo-sensitive element and an amplifier or other impedance matching device for sending driving signals to A-units. Whether the S-units are chosen to be linear or not depends



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upon the number of them provided and the grayscale resolution desired. Because any continuoustone figure can be closely approximated with a sufficient number of small dots of standard density, any continuous-tone image can be closely characterized by a two-dimensional array of onoff elements. However, for a retina, it is probably cheaper to use a smaller number of S-units and have them linear over some reasonable range.

When a stimulus  $S_i$  is projected onto a perceptron retina, a certain set of S-units will be excited. These, in turn will excite a certain set,  $A(S_i)$ , of A-units but the retinal illumination pattern at the level of the A-units, will be so scrambled that it will lose its original coherence and most other relational characteristics. The combined effect of the outputs from the set,  $A(S_i)$ , will determine how the relatively small number of R-units will respond.

Feedback operation can be understood more easily by assuming just one binary R-unit, so that the source set for that response unit is therefore the whole population of A-units. Assume also that the feedback from R-unit to A-units is arranged in such a way that A-units may acquire either positive or negative values and, consequently, positive or negative outputs when active. Should the net sum of excitation delivered to the R-unit from the active set  $A(S_j)$  be positive, the R-unit will go to the "1" state, otherwise to the "0" state.

Feedback signals from either of these alternative states will add or subtract some small increment,  $\Delta V$ , from the values of active A-units. thereby affecting their future output levels. Positive feedback from the 1-state will enhance the future effect of those A-units that are presently causing the R=1 response. The same polarity feedback, received by active A-units whose output is unsuccessfully trying to turn on the R=0 response, will decrease their influence toward that response. Hence, a succession of negative experiences may eventually reverse a unit's output polarity, thereby enabling it to receive reinforcements for responding to the same stimuli which once caused decreases in absolute value.

Training a perceptron to a given stimulus environment subjects the population of A-units to a selection and modification process similar in some ways to that which operates in biological evolution. The difference in the two processes stems from the fact that, since A-units neither expire nor have progeny, no genetics or spontaneous mutation are involved. Whatever modification occurs, it takes place within the lifetime of the original set of A-units.

In a perceptron those A-units whose chance connections permit them to be most frequently activated by stimuli of just one class are selected by actual exposure to a stimulus population containing some of this class. Their output polarity is,

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at the same time, little by little, adjusted toward the most favored response. Naturally, there are likely to be some A-units whose connections do not fit them for any consistent utility in their signal environment, and they will tend to stay at a relatively low output effectiveness. A mutation process designed to operate on the connections of relatively low-valued A-units could be incorporated and might be beneficial.

#### **Future Plans**

Dr. Murray reports that simulation experiments will begin soon with a new and more versatile program, especially on cross-connected A-systems. At about the same time, direct experimentation will begin on the Mark I perceptron.

Multi-layered A-systems are now being studied to discover practical ways for, and advantages of, increasing the logical depth. The researchers hope that future effort will provide mechanisms for recognition of special topological relationships, and additional effort is being directed toward the recognition and utilization of special time relationships. If this work succeeds in sufficiently increasing the sophistication of perceptron capabilities, the Navy will sponsor intensive effort on engineering applications requiring the recognition or interpretation of complex data.

Obvious applications would be in radar and optical surveillance and reconnaissance, language processing and electronic communication, and adaptive control systems for vehicles and production plants.

## Reps Symposium to Discuss Industry Measurement Needs

The fifth annual Electronic Engineering Representatives Show, to be held in Philadelphia Nov. 12 and 13 will feature a symposium on electronic test instrumentation.

The speakers will include:

Bruno O. Weinschel of the IRE Professional Group for Instrumentation, whose topic will be "Russian Test Equipment for Audio, Radio Frequency, and Microwave Measurements."

C. P. Sherman, General Electric missile and space engineer, who will discuss "Production Testing for Research and the Development Type Components."

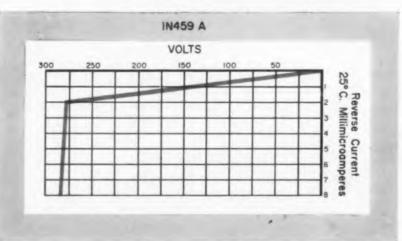
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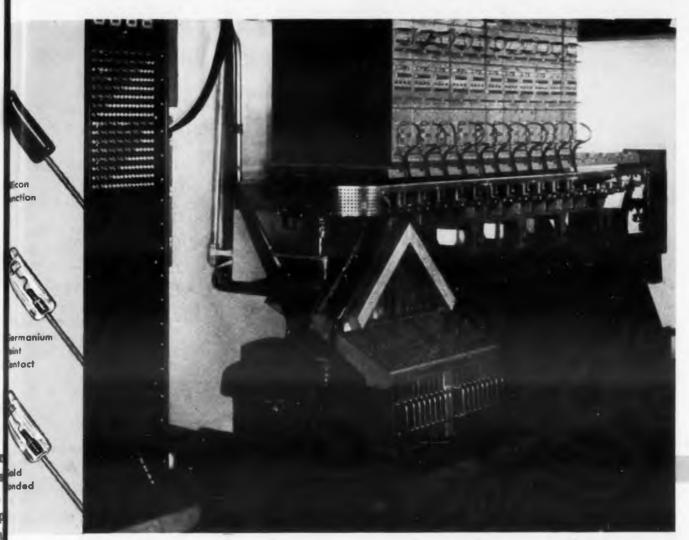
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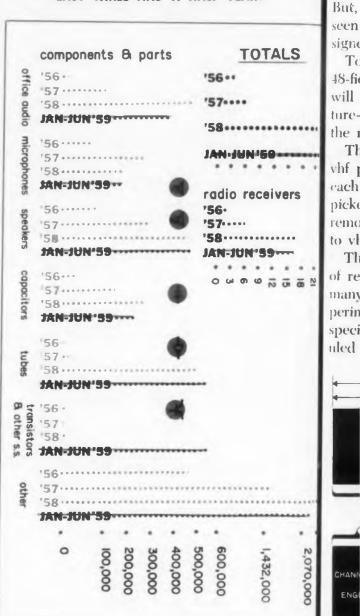
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The value of electronic imports from Japan totaled \$22.1 million during the first six month of 1959, exceeding by over \$200,000 the value o products imported during all of 1958.

The latest figures of the Business and Defense

#### HOW ELECTRONIC IMPORTS FROM JAPAN HAVE GROWN IN LAST THREE AND A HALF YEARS



Services Administration, summarized in the accompanying graph, show that transistors and other solid-state parts made the largest gain over last year, and that receivers comprise the largestvalued import.

### Educational TV to be First Tryout For CBS Labs' Narrow-Band System

Airborne educational TV will be the first fullscale application of the CBS Labs narrow-band TV system that uses a 2.2-mc bandwidth. Special receivers designed to operate on the 441-line, 48field standard will be installed in schools scattered over the six-state Midwest reception region chosen for the experiment, in which programs will be transmitted from a plane circling the area.

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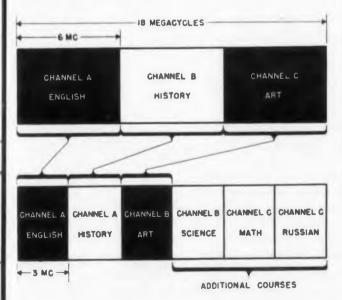
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With the CBS system, developed some time ago for vhf and now adapted for uhf, two channels can be squeezed into the space normally occupied by one. Channels are 3 mc wide, instead of the normal 6 mc, and video bandwidth is 2.2 mc. Horizontal resolution will be equivalent to only a 3.3-mc-bandwidth broadcast-standard picture. But, reports CBS Labs, this is about all that is seen on the average set, which is nominally designed to handle a 4-mc-bandwidth picture.

To compensate for flicker resulting from the 48-field-per-sec standard, slow-decay phosphors will be used in the receiver picture tubes. A picture-crispener circuit will also be incorporated in the receivers.

The broadcasts will be made compatible with vhf programming by a master-receiver system in each participating school. Transmissions will be picked up by a master receiver in each school, remodulated, and will be sent by closed circuit to vhf receivers in the classrooms.

The reduced-bandwidth development is a result of research originally instituted to save TV tape; many of the classes to be transmitted in the experimental program will be taped, probably with special cameras. The first broadcasts are scheduled to begin next fall.



Narrow-band television will permit doubling of rumber of channels in given bandwidth. Special crispening circuits and slow-decay phosphors in receiving will compensate for low resolution of 441-line, 48-frame-per-sec system.



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#### NEWS BRIEFS ...

. . . A SOVIET PUBLICATION, Prioda, claims a new computer has been developed in the U.S.S.R. that is faster than "all existing Soviet and foreign production-model computers." The unit, designed by academician S. A. Lebedev, "opens a significant perspective in the further development of computers and control machines," and has been recommended for mass production.

... IN THE SAME PUBLICATION, the Soviets finally credited the U.S. with discovery of the Van Allen radiation belt. The credit was given in an article on the study of space by rockets and satellites. The article mentioned that the U.S. discovery was made during flights of Explorers I and III.

. . . THE ARMY has proposed a program of information exchange among the three services. The program would use microfilm cards and would be implemented in three control centers that would process and distribute the cards to eliminate duplication of effort and to "give engineers and designers information required for their jobs at a minimum of time and expense."

... ANY NOVICE SCIENTISTS around the house? The annual Westinghouse Science Talent Search has begun. More than 25,000 young contestants are expected to apply, hoping to win some of the more than \$34,000 that will go to the 40 finalists. The search is being conducted for Westinghouse by Science Service, a non-profit organization, through the Science Clubs of America.

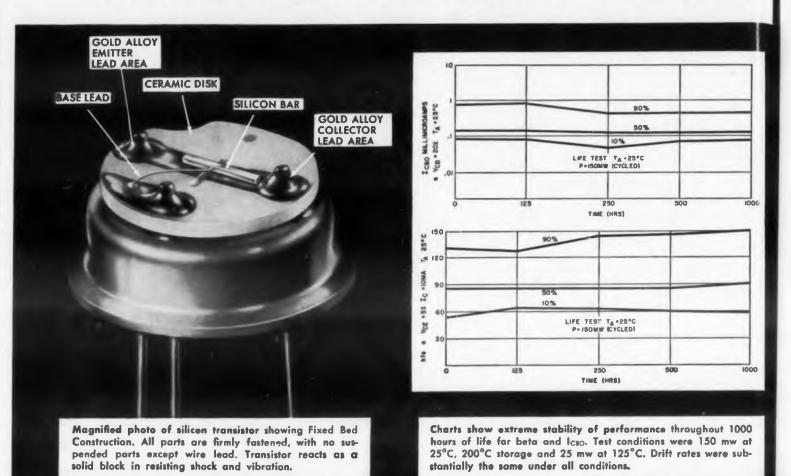
... DEVELOPMENT OF ALLOY-DIFFU-SION junction transistors with an upper frequency limit of about 2,000 mc, has been claimed by Mullard Research Labs, England. The company also reports work on vhf power transistors with 500 mw ratings.

... THE ELECTRONICS PROGRAM conducted by the Air Materiel Command's Manufacturing Methods Division has been approved. Under the program, emphasis is placed on basic manufacturing processes for many materials, rather than on production refinements of single items such as tubes or transistors, as formerly.

. . . ULTRASONIC GENERATOR line of Westinghouse has been provided with solid-state power supplies, reducing weight and size of ultrasonic cleaners drastically and raising reliability according to the company.

#### General Electric Semiconductor News

#### New life test data prove superior



#### New NPN Tetrodes: Higher gain at high temperature and low current

LARGE QUANTITIES OF TYPES 3N36 AND 3N37 TESTED AND PROVED. HIGH RELIABILITY THE RESULT OF TWO YEARS OF MANUFACTURING EXPERIENCE: Mechanical Reliability Results % Survival 3-ft drop-shock (2500 G's. Mil St'd calls for 500G's) 2 out of 595 did not survive 1 out of 375 Temperatura cycling (-55°C to 100°C) Life Test Reliability Cycled power @ 50 mw (device rated at 30 mw) 6 out of 500 exceeded 98.8 parameter limits at 1000 hours 17 out of 500 exceeded 96.8 Oven @ 85°C parameter limits at 1000 hours No parameter failures of 500 units at 1000 hours

\*General Electric's rigid standards call for only a slight shift in parameters to be a "failure." Many of these "failures" are still within EIA limits.

Here are two new germanium transistors that operate on lower voltages, require less current and are more rugged (see box below) than any other transistors the perform a like function. Furthermore, they deliver high and constant gain at various voltages and at low power dissipation levels. Therefore, they are not only useful at high temperatures, but they also simplify cir cuit design and eliminate the need for close voltage regulation.

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Total Power dissipation	30	30	mw	Measurement frequency	60	150	9

#### stability of G-E silicon transistors

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Collector power dissipation	150	125	mw			
Operating temperature	-65°C to 175°C	-65° to	150°C			

Absolute Maximum Rating	at 25°C
Collector to base voltage	20 volts
Emitter to base voltage	15 volts
Collector to emitter voltage	20 volts
Collector current	300 ma
Base current	50 ma
Emitter current	300 ma
Storage temperature	85°C to -65°C
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For complete information call your General Electric Semiconductor Sales Representative, your G-E Semiconductor Distributor, or write Section \$23119 Semiconductor Products Dept., General Electric Company, Electronics Park, Syracuse, New York.

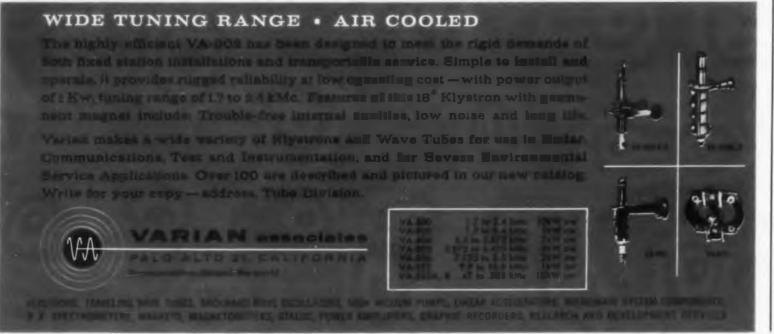


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#### SIGNIFICANT CONTRACTS . . .

- Force, initial funding of \$99,800 for the study phase of a contract to design and build a solid-state celestial comparator for space navigation use.
- \$400,000 for development of an advanced pulse-code-modulation flight-test data acquisition and data-processing system.
- ... TO SYLVANIA ELECTRIC PRODUCTS, Inc., from the Signal Corps, \$15 million for development of a high-precision weapons-locating radar designated AN/MPO-32.
- ... TO NCR ELECTRONICS Div., from the Air Force, \$70,000 for study of a rod-type magnetic switching and storage device. Switching speed in a coincident-current mode is expected to be about 70 musec.
- eration produced 1 kw for five seconds, General Electric reports. Efficiency was negative because of the high-powered plasma arc that was used as a source of ionized gas. GE believes, however, that in a closed-cycle operation, nuclear or solar energy might be used to provide efficiency higher than that of heat-to-electricity generators known so far.
- through Cornell Aero Labs for design and manufacture of the "most powerful radar transmitter ever built." Goal is peak power of 50 megawatts, with a variety of pulse lengths and repetition rates and average power of up to 50 kw.
- Hempstead, N.Y., \$53.35 million from the Air Force for an advanced and lightweight all-inertial guidance system for operational Atlas ICBMs.
- TORIES, Inc., Clifton, N.J., \$266,706 from the Signal Corps for an engineering test model countermeasures set.
- Angeles, \$600,000 from the Air Force for development of a fully orienting large-area solar-electric power system for use in space satellites.





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#### Soviet Reports Moon Photo Hinged on 2 Big Advances

Man's first glimpse of the far side of the moon was accompanied by Russian claims of two major triumphs in space photography.

The Soviet said its scientists had solved the problem of turning a cosmic vehicle in space by signals from the earth, so that the lens was pointed at the moon when the camera started operating.

In addition the problem of transmitting halftone photographs of high quality from cosmic space to the earth by television was declared solved.

The Soviet reported that four fixed antennae protruded from the top of their moon-circling satellite, in whose center was a large lens. An automatic switch controlled from the ground was said to have swung this eye toward the moon while the satellite was clipping through space about 37,000 to 43,000 miles from the sun-lit body.

After a 40-minute series of exposures, the film was developed automatically in the rocket, the Soviet said. Then, by means of a "special radio transmission system," the carrier sent its television photos to the earth as it approached the lowest point of its orbit.

Meanwhile the National Aeronautics and Space Administration has decided to try again to send a payload to the moon. The shot is scheduled for late this month and, if successful, may be followed by an attempt next month to place a payload near Venus.

U.S. plans to achieve a lunar orbit Oct. 3 died prematurely when the Atlas-Able launching rocket that was to have carried the satellite exploded resid during a static ground test.

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The lunar shot now planned will be more difficult in some respects than the Soviet ones so far. An attempt will be made to put the satellite in orbit around the planet. This would require not only precision in initial guidance of the vehicle but the firing of a retro-rocket to slow the satellite, trap it in the moon's gravitational field and so achieve an orbit instead of further soaring into lates

From the standpoint of science, such a satellite assed would be also more valuable, since it would stay near the moon, gathering and relaying data to earth for a considerable time.

The U.S. vehicle is to carry instruments to measure any magnetic field the moon may have and to find out if the planet is surrounded by a belt of charged particles, the way the earth is. A television-type scanner will also be aboard, and it is hoped to shoot a crude picture of the moon's far side.

The American lunar vehicle, weighing 375 ounds, will be on the order of the Explorer VI addle-wheel earth satellite launched Aug. 6.

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#### uture of Radio Astronomy ictured at Crossroads

Attempts to commercialize more radio-frevency bands may threaten the future of radio stronomy, a University of Michigan professor

Prof. Leo Goldberg, chairman of the uniersity's Department of Astronomy and viceresident of the International Astronomical nion, notes that in the next ten years advances space communications are almost certain to ultiply demands for radio channels. The miliary will want to transmit messages from rockets nd satellites, he says, and commercial radio and elegraph companies may seek to use the moon or itellites to bounce messages around the world. Professor Goldberg has called on the United tates to protect the bands most valuable to radio stronomy. Use of frequency bands is being disussed in Geneva by the United Nation's Interational Telecommunications Union, he noted. Originally, only a weak proposal by the Dutch protect six bands for radio astronomy was ber: the international conference.

The American delegation in reaction to a Washligton meeting between protesting U. S. scientists nd government officials, changed its proposal for and retecting of only one band, the hydrogen line, on's to proposal supporting allocations of 17 chanels stretching from 2.5 to 30,000 mc.



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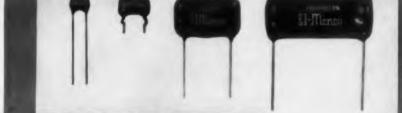


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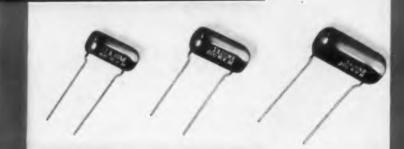
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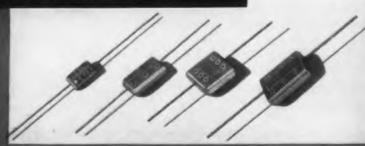


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#### **NEWS**

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The camera is based on a combination of television and electronic printing techniques. It uses electrostatic tape to store images for later broad.

Elementary details of the camera, described as "radically new and simple," were outlined by three scientists of RCA's Astro-Electronic Products Div., Princeton, N.J., to a convention of the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers in New York.

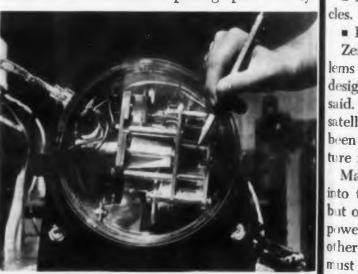
At the same meeting, two RCA system engineers related that environmental conditions in space were presenting new headaches to the designers of image sensors.

#### **Camera Has Two Elements**

The space camera is a compact, single unit whose basic elements are a special electrostatic cusse tape and an electron gun of the type used in common TV camera tubes.

In the laboratory model, the elements are built into a glass vacuum tube roughtly the shape of a mushroom. The neck is a television pickup earth tube containing the electron gun. The bulb con- biliti tains a roll of electrostatic tape mounted in an automatic assembly for winding and rewinding during exposure and readout, somewhat in the manner of standard motion picture film.

Installed in a satellite, the camera would be linked to a conventional photographic lens sys-



Face of RCA's electronic space camera, designed for global observations. Pencil points to reel of electrostatic tape upon which light image is focused by lens system (not shown). The electrical-charge image is stored on the reel for ultimate transmission via TV-type reduc signals to the earth.

ten and a low-power transmitter to broadcast the picture data to earth.

#### **Key Advantages Listed**

The scientists describing the camera said it had several potential advantages for remote viewing of terrestrial clouds or even the moon's surface from space. They listed these key advantages:

■ Extreme simplicity and durability, contrasted with systems that combine TV cameras and magnetic

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• Very large picture capacity, because of ability to erase and re-use the tape after each passage, in contrast with photographic film.

 Reduced sensitivity to radiation effects in space.

 Widely variable speed of operation, ranging from a few pictures per orbit, if desired, to the 16frames-per-second rate of an 8-millimeter movie camera.

#### **Image Failures Analyzed**

The two RCA engineers who discussed image sensors and the potential hazard of space environment-Milton Ritter and M. H. Mesner of the Astro-Electronics Products Div. -attributed failures outside the earth's atmosphere to these possibilities:

- Loss of atmospheric cooling.
- Explosive decompression.
- Boiling and leakage through
- Solar radiation.
- Bombardment by solid parti-
- Presence of disassociated gases. Zero gravity and thermal problems are major difficulties for the designer to overcome, the engineers said. Most operational failures of satellites to date, they noted, have been credited to improper temperature regimes.

Maximum reliability can be built into the system, the two indicated. but only at the cost of size, weight, power, performance, capacity and other vital factors. Compromises must therefore be made, they said.

The engineers described the vidian image sensor as of the "utmost importance" in space vehicles, because it permitted operation with reduced transmitter power.

CIRCLE 19 ON READER-SERVICE CARD >



Programmer makes operational check from "driver's seat" of IBM 709 Data Processing System — the most up-to-date system utilizing electron tubes.

# Tung-Sol 5687 contributes to the prime reliability of the IBM 709 Data Processing System!

The IBM 709 Data Processing system counts on unfaltering dependability from over 500 Tung-Sol 5687 Twin Triodes approximately 340 5687's are found in the Arithmetic and Logic unit; the remainder in the Magnetic Drum Storage unit.

Because the Tung-Sol 5687 offers excellent power handling ability, the IBM 709 employs it largely in power follower circuits to supply high current requirements . . . in driving lines with high capacity loading. Frequent 200 millimicrosecond pulses make the latter a key job in the 709. Other special-circuit uses of the 5687

include: master oscillator, pulse shaping inverters, magnetic drum write head drivers, relay drivers and single-shot multivibrators.

5687 performance points up the reliability you'll find characterizes Tung-Sol tubes and semiconductors. It gives designers in-use testimony that lets them specify Tung-Sol for critical sockets with complete assurance of full-life trustworthiness. For full technical information on the Tung-Sol 5687, or other Tung-Sol tubes or semiconductors, contact: Tung-Sol Electric Inc., Newark 4, New Jersey.





#### **NEWS**



#### CDC Computer Uses Only Two Power and Levels Throughout

Control Data Corporation's completely transistorized 1604 computer uses only two power supply levels, two signal levels and has basic bi-level amplifier-inverters that operate at an equivalent phase-rate of 5 mc.

The general-purpose, stored-program computer, which is being readied for its first delivery, is designed with single-address logic and a magnetic-core storage capacity of 32,768 48-bit words.

Input-output operations are carried out independently of the main computer program. Storage is random-access; read access time is 2.2 microseconds.

Each storage unit has a total storage cycle time of 6.4 microseconds. The storage cycles of the two storage sections overlap one another so that the effective cycle time is 3.2 microseconds when addresses of alternate memory banks are referenced.

#### New Nitrides and Silicons Added To Thin-Film List

Additional materials have been declared suitable for use in thinfilm electronic devices.

Researchers at Batelle Memorial Institute, working under Air Force contract, have learned that chromium-titanium-nitride-is most promising among nitrides studied for resistive applications. By adjusting film thickness and nitriding temperature, resistances of 60 to 800 ohms per square centimeter have been obtained.

#### EIMAC

is an electron tube specialist

# EIMAC FINDS WAY TO END PREMATURE TUBE FAILURE

No matter how carefully you operate vacuum tubes, power overloads can't always be avoided. In most tubes, the resultant overheating produces vacuum loss or internal arcing. Tubes often fail immediately or fall off in performance.

To overcome this, Eimac developed a group of internal-anode radial-beam tetrodes with exceptional ability to withstand repeated power overloads and peak powers. Operated for millions of hours in every class of service, these rugged tetrodes have proved they last longer, perform better, than any comparable internal-anode tubes.

Their amazing reliability is due partly to Eimac's exclusive Pyrovac plate. This outstanding internal-anode material reduces internal arcing, actually absorbs gases which might ruin tube vacuum.

In these tetrodes, low inter-electrode capacitances and low lead inductances assure stable operation at high frequencies. Their high power gain and low driving power requirements simplify driver requirement and associated circuits.

For complete technical and application data on these outstanding tetrodes, see the attached Eimac Report to Design Engineers.



EITEL-McCULLOUGH, INC. San Carlos, California





During production Eimac-designed rotary vacuum pumps evacuate gas at high temperatures. This, plus clean electrode design and non-emitting grids, helps make Eimac internal-anode tetrodes the most reliable available.



#### NEWEST TUBE TYPES, TUBE IMPROVEMENTS COME FROM EIMAC RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING

First to develop internal-anode tetrodes, Eimac is also the recognized leader in ceramic-metal vacuum tubes. With emphasis on new tube types, Eimac constantly improves conventional tube types, too.

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### Black Box Minimizes Howling



Frequency shift modulator under researcher's arm is hooked into PA system between speaker and microphone to minimize howling. It shifts feedback frequencies of room reverberations as they enter microphone. Only about a 5-kc shift of input signal will equalize it to the mean distance between the major peaks and adjacent valleys of the room's gain response characteristic. Then energy generated at the gain peaks is quickly absorbed in the valleys of the response characteristic after one trip of the sound energy around the acoustic feedback loop. Dr. M. R. Schroeder of Bell Labs developed the

### \$9.3 Million Contract For Advanced Radar

A contract for \$9,373,728 has been awarded to Texas Instruments, Inc., by the Navy for the company's advanced anti-sub search radar, AN/APS-80.

The highly sensitive, 500-pound equipment was developed for long range detection of surfaced subs and the disturbances caused by snorkel emergence.

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With the appearance of Transipot®, Arnoux introduces a totally new concept in variable-reluctance transformers: very high sensitivity at low impedance levels, with excellent linearity over a wide input range. Available as ac/ac or ac/dc. Other features: high efficiency...infinite resolution...inherent reliability... insensitive to vibration...noise-free because brushes aren't used...modular construction with standard servo mounting. Rated for operation to 125 C; specials available to several hundred degrees Centigrade.

Can be used for telemetry, indication, data reduction, and as a transmitter and/or receiver for detecting any combination of linear or rotary motion as part of a feedback control system—in fact, wherever the requirement is for small-motion detection with infinite resolution and with high outputs.

Matching characteristics in both types of Transipot permit an interchange of linear and rotary motion without special gearing, giving the design engineer great new freedom. Bulletin 900.

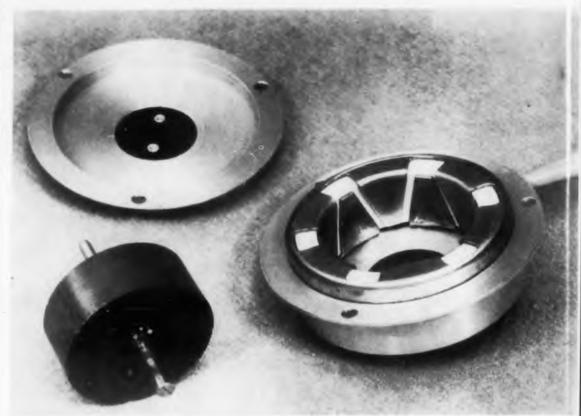
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### **TRANSIPOTS®**

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**Trilec motor** has ferrite rotor magnetized to operate with stator fingers, which bear alternate polarities. In this version, shaft rides freely in rotor within limits imposed by pins in shaft and rotor.

# French Develop Ferritor

RENCH designers have put the properties of magnetic ferrite to work in a sub-fractional motor that promises:

- High power-to-weight ratios,
- No possibility of sparking,
- Magnetically controlled direction of rotation,
  - Easily achieved stepping operation,
  - Low-cost production.

The motor has been developed in synchronous, self-starting universal, and stepping versions. All use a magnetic ferrite rotor that carries an alternating North-South field around its surface. The stators are single cylindrical windings enclosed in

a sheet-iron pole-piece.

The portion of the pole-piece forming the stator's inside surface is cut into fingers, which carry a dc-excited field alternately from finger to finger. These fields work with those on the rotor. free-

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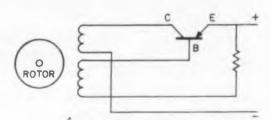
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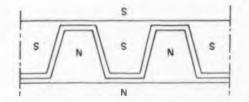
A small dc current will rotate the stator a few degrees until a rotor N pole is opposite a stator S pole. With an additional starting device and an ac current the motor operates as a classical synchronous motor.

#### How Self-Starting Is Achieved

An unusual feature of the stator is it



**Transistor oscillator** circuit works off de to make motor universal, in another version



**Stator** is wound to distribute poles as shown.



Other side of aluminum housing shows spring that helps rotor start turning and insures that rotation is always in desired direction.



Field-strength in ferrite rotor determines power-weight ratio.

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free-spinning shaft. Were it not for a pin in the shaft and two pins in the stator (all visible in the large photo) the stator would spin freely on the shaft, though not enough to start the motor.

When ac is applied, the rotor vibrates, kicking the shaft into rotation. Shaft rotation is affected, however, by a spring (also shown in the photo). If the shaft rotates counter-lockwise the spring unwinds. If it rotates clockwise the spring winds around the shaft, acting as a brake. Then, when the rotor moves in the opposite direction, the spring releases, helping the shaft rotate.

With this design the rotor always moves in the same direction regardless of instantaneous polarity of the starting ac. Torque is constant. Power increases with saturation of the ferrite rotor and with high frequency.

#### Transistor Makes It Universal

small auxiliary winding is added to the stator become part of a transistor oscillator circuit. This circuit, in effect, transforms do to suitable ac. Os illating frequency is mainly a function of the the trical constants of the circuit. Therefore, rotation speed is largely independent of supply volt-



# In achieving airborne radar reliability... HAZELTINE SPECIFIES AMP TAPER TECHNIQUE

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# FIELD-PROVED HONEYWELL COMPONENTS

#### for measuring, balancing and positioning applications

#### CONVERTERS



These synchronously driven choppers handle d-c signals as small as 10-8 volt. Sensitive, stable performance. Available with special features such as fungus proofing, grounded housing. mica-filled base, various contact percentages. Weight: 10 oz. Prices from \$39.

	ELECT	TRICAL CHAI	ACTERISTIC:	5				
Part No.	354210-2	354210-3	354210-1	354210-4	355081			
Modulation Frequency	20-30 cycles	40-45 cycles	50-65 cycles	50-65 cycles	360-440 cycles			
Switching Action (SPDT)	Each conta (±2%)	Each contact closed 57% of each cycle (±7%)						
Driving Coil Requirements		18 v, 94 ma at rated frequency						
Contact Rating		100 microwatts at 6 v max.; 1 0 ma max.						
Electrostatic Stray Pickup	2 x 10	8 volts per ohm	of input circuit in	npedance	2 x 10 <sup>-10</sup>			
Electromagnetic Stray Pickup	Less tha	2 x 10 <sup>-5</sup> volts constant to 2 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>						
Phase Shift	Outpu	Lags driving phase by 45° to 50°						
Symmetry	Within 2% Within 7%							
Shielding	Frame and coil shield, grounded through pin No. 2  Shell and co shield, ground through pin No. 2  No. 2							
Load Characteristics	Resistive or Inductive							
Vibration Resistance	Output v	oltage varies less	than 2% with ra	ates of vibration fro	om 0 to 10g			

#### MOTORS



Designed for chart drives, servos and balancing circuits, these motors are available in three general types: Stack type, with easily maintained sectional housing; self-lubricated, oil-sealed type; and fungus-proofed, oil-sealed military motors. Prices from \$40.

Nominal No Load R.P.M *	R.P.M.*	Gear Ratio	Intermittent Rated Lead (ez.—in.)	Max. Starting Torque (ez.—im.)	Pull-In Torque Mia. (az.—in.)	Continueus Torque (az —in.)	Power (Watts) Leaded	Current (amps.) Loaded	Temp. Rise
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Note: Some speeds available at 25 cycles
All motors are available in two phase and synchronous models



They amplify a d-c or a-c microvolt input signal sufficiently to drive one field of a two-phase balancing motor. Three stages of voltage amplification are followed by the power-output phase discriminator stage, which supplies power for the motor. Extremely low stray pickup . . . adjustable sensitivity . . . fast response. Priced from \$110 to \$250.

Gain	Sensitivity (Microvolts)	Nominal Input Impedance (Ohms)
106	4.0	400, 2,200, 50,000
4 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	1.0	400, 7,000, 50,000
12 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	0.4	400, 2,200, 7,000
40 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	0.1	2,200

POWER SUPPLY—115 v., 60 cycles (fused power line)

OUTPUT-2 to 18 ma. into 12,000 ohm load

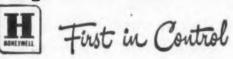
SENSITIVITY—Continuously variable screwdriver adjustment. Recessed slot protects

MOUNTING—Operation unaffected by mounting position

OPTIONAL FEATURES—(a) thermocouple burnout protection, (b) without desensitizing adjustment, (c) parallel T feedback, (d) velocity damping, (e) special connecting cables and plugs, (f) without tubes, shields, and converter, (g) for 25 cycles.

MINNEAPOLIS-HONEYWELL, Wayne and Windrim Aves., Phila. 44, Pa.

# Honeywell. Herrical First in Control



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#### **NEWS**

age and load. Any waveform will provide suit. able operation.

Differently shaped pole fingers, a shaft locled to the rotor, addition of a stator secondary wilding, and addition of another ferrite ring around the stator; heighten the stepping effect and, when their design is optimized, make the motor a stapping unit that rotates in one-finger steps.

In the stepping version, control is achieved with very moderate power. There are no delicate parts, no adjustments required and no moving contacts with attendant possibility of sparking.

The stepping motor can be made to work with pulses of either polarity, and with plain sine

The sub-fractional motor is made by the Paris firm Trilec, which states that the basic design is applicable to motors of any size, the only limit being the relative cost of ferrite to standard rotor materials.

#### Microwave Satellite Communication Predicted Within Ten Years

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Reliable microwave communications through use of earth satellites were predicted within five or ten years by D. W. Atchley, Jr., president of Microwave Associates, Inc. "Among the types of satellites being investigated for communications purposes, Mr. Atchley said, "from a military point of view, the moon is the only acceptable one.

"A passive reflector, such as the moon can b used simultaneously in many ways at many free quencies and within many power levels without cross-talk. It also is highly resistant to electronic countermeasures.

"However, since ground installations for pass able-satellite, broad-band communication would require very costly antennas, transmitters and receivers, for commercial rather than military purposes it seems desirable to concentrate on the active repeater.

"It seems that the frequency range that will be utilized will be around 10,000 mc. However, at present, suitable low-noise repeaters, are more difficult to make above 4,000 mc, and as yet n really long-life microwave repeater tubes have been constructed.

"It is estimated that such a satellite system" could be placed in use by 1965, after an initial development cost of at least \$100 million.

"A 1000 channel, 3000 land-mile satellite sys tem with several ground terminals could possible be constructed for \$7 million. This figures out "Large \$2.50 per voice-channel mile, indicating that the active satellite is well worth pursuing."

Later, Mr. Atchley discussed Soviet electronic

devices, observed on his recent trip to the U.S.S.R. He described a potential millimeter-wave amplifying tube as "one of the most unusual tubes I have ever seen."

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The tube uses a sheath of charged gas particles rather than a wire helix to interact with the electron beam. "It promises to provide amplification and generation of millimeter waves," he said.

Mr. Atchley was also shown in Moscow the Spiratron traveling wave tube, which amplifies efficiently over a broad frequency range, according to the Soviets.

#### Spaced-Array Radiotelescope Will Operate at 11.4 meters

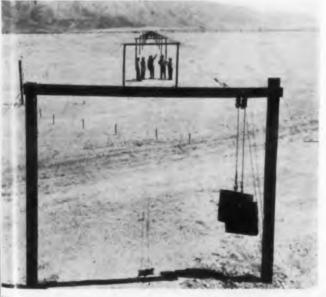
What is billed as the world's largest radio telescope is nearing completion at Clark Lake in California's desert region.

Though two months short of ultimate completion, the two-mile long array of dipoles has been used to study 11.4-meter waves (26.3 mc) radiated from near the sun.

An extremely intense burst of radiation has already been recorded. Scientists of Convair, which is building and operating the telescope, suggest that the radiation was caused by atomic particles in the sun's corona accelerated by sun spot activity.

The telescope will be composed of a rectangular grid of 256 dipoles of copper wire suspended from posts in eight parallel rows covering two miles, and bisected by a two-mile transmission

East-west resolution is 0.25 degree, north-south resolution will eventually be 1.5 degrees. Through electrical modification of the branch feeder system, focus can be shifted as much as 45 degrees off the vertical.



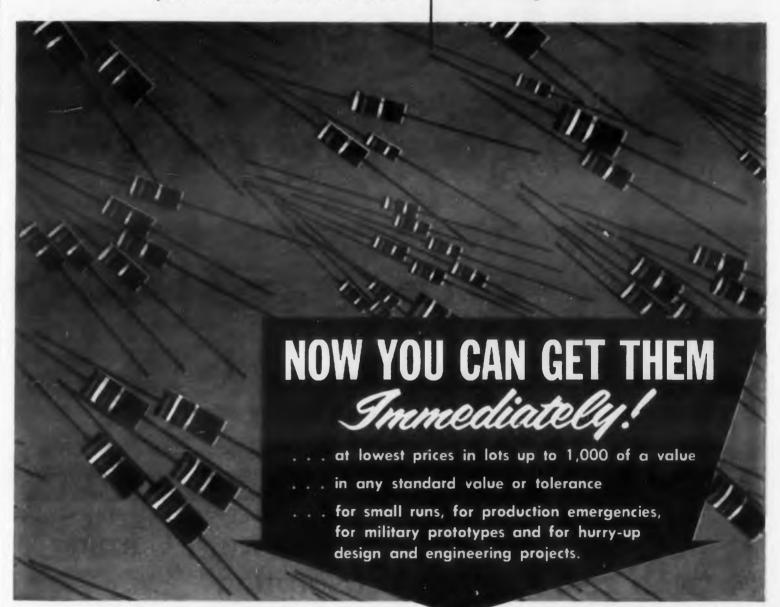
"Largest" radiotelescope, now being built is able to operate during day because mountains shield against ectronic local radiation.

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The resistors that are setting today's higher performance standards! Unmatched for load life and moisture resistance. They're approved resistors -from a MIL-R-11 approved manufacturer. And now, for the first time, you can get such resistors in a complete line of RC-42 (2-watt); RC-32 (1-watt) and RC-20 (1/2-watt) types from stock from leading distributors!



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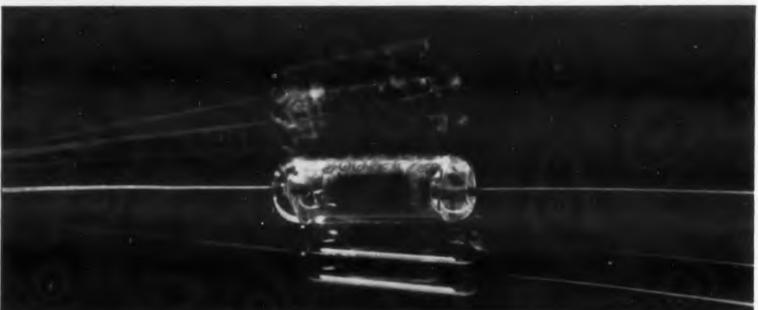
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When your work borders on the exotic and your components all have to be ultra, take a look at this new glass-enclosed, fusion-sealed resistor.

The glass enclosure lets this 1/4-watt resistor defy all environmental conditions... exceeding MIL-R-10509C, Characteristic B. We've even boiled it in salt water for days without altering electrical characteristics. The glass enclosing the resistor has zero moisture absorption.

The glass-to-metal seal is comparable to that in a vacuum tube ... and is even more resistant to physical

The Dumet leads, sealed to a thermally compatible

glass case, create a true hermetic seal. The leads are fused directly to the resistance element.

The tin oxide film resistance element is similar in design and performance to that of a Corning N-style resistor. Resistance ranges from 100 ohms to 360 K ohms; full rating at 70°C. with derating to 150°C. Temperature coefficient is less than 300 ppm/°C.

For the complete story, write for data sheet to Corning Glass Works, 540 High Street, Bradford, Pa. Or contact our sales offices in New York, Chicago, or Los Angeles.

#### CORNING ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS

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#### **NEWS**

#### **Small Business Saluted** By Military at Exhibit

The Department of Defense played a major role in the recent Great Lakes Exhibit of Business Opportunities, demonstrating again its policy of encouragement to small business.

The department maintained 311 booths, xcupying 10,000 square feet of floor space, at the



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Fig. 1. ITT Labs exhibit was one of many by large businesses at the Great Lakes Exhibit of Business Opportunities.

Allen County Coliseum in Fort Wayne, Ind. Elab orate displays of the Army, Navy, Air Force and other agencies stressed the government's eager ness to buy from small business as well as large

Large business shared the spotlight at the exhibit, showing equipment it sold to the government and displaying parts it had purchased from smaller business organizations.

At the Signal Corps exhibit a new packaging and quality assurance program was shown pub licly for the first time. The program, described a Sig-Pak Manual entitled "Packaging Data Code System," spells out the requirements for package



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Fig. 2. Signal Corps exhibit showed businessme how and what to sell to the corps.



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ing equipment for the Signal Corps in greater etail than ever before.

A display board displayed the code, which hould help standardize the packaging and markng of bin-stock items.

Ceramic Stable to 3600 F

ew Packaging Data Code System.



ianslucence, strength, and high temperature resistance re the featured characteristics of this new ceramic, uculox. The polycrystalline ceramic was developed General Electric Research Laboratory by Dr. Robert ot le, shown here comparing the new material with cisk of conventional ceramic. The basic material is ne grain, high-purity aluminum oxide. Microscopically mal pores or bubbles found in conventional ceramic naterials have been eliminated, according to G.E. phole oscible applications include envelopes for high-inessmenters ty incandescent or discharge lamps. Lucalox is table at temperatures up to 3600 F.

Measure dc currents 0.3 ma to 1 ampere with No Breaking of Leads No DC Connection **No Circuit Loading** 

Think of the measuring convenience, time saved and accuracy gained when you don't have to break into a circuit, solder on a connection, or worry about probe loading.

With the @ 428A Milliammeter and its new probe, you literally "clamp around" and read! You get maximum accuracy because there is no effective circuit loading from the 428A's dc probe. The instrument easily measures dc currents in the presence of ac. And insulation is more than adequate to insure safe measurements at all normal voltage

For extremely low current level measurement, sensitivity can be increased by looping the conductor through the "jaws" of the 428A probe two or more

Brief specifications are given here, for complete details and demonstration on your bench, call your nepresentative or write direct.

#### Specifications

Probe clamps AROUND wire; measures by sensing magnetic field!

Current Range: Less than 0.3 ma to 1 amp, 6 ranges. Full scale readings from 3 ma to 1 amp: 3 ma, 10 ma, 30 ma, 100 ma, 300 ma, 1 amp.

Accuracy:  $\pm$  3%  $\pm$  0.1 ma.

**♠ 428A CLIP-ON** MILLIAMMETER.

Probe Inductance: Less than 0.5 µh maximum.

Probe Induced Voltage: Less than 15 mv peak.

Effects of ac in circuit: Ac with peak value less than full scale affects accuracy less than 2% at frequencies different from the carrier (40 KC) and its harmonics

**Power:**  $115/230 \text{ v} \pm 10\%$ , 50-60 cps, 70 watts.

Size: Cabinet mount, 7½" wide, 11½" high, 14¼" deep. Weight 19 pounds. Rack mount, 19" wide, 7" high, 12½" deep. Weight 24 pounds.

Probe Tip Size: Approximately %" x 7/16". Wire aperture diameter 3/16".

Price: (Cabinet) \$475.00; (Rack) \$480.00.

Data subject to change without notice. Prices f.o.b. factory.

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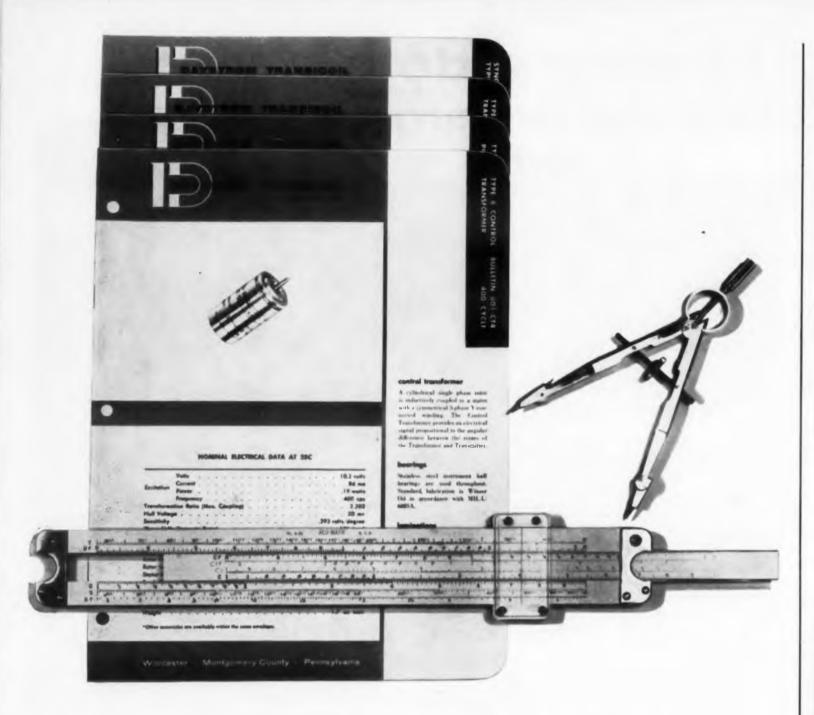
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#### **NEWS**

#### Computers May Eliminate Future Cash Exchange

Computers supporting a universal credit-c ud system may eliminate cash and check transactions in the future, S. M. Humphrey, management consultant, told a group of computer users last month

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"From a technological point of view it will be possible to handle automatically transactions a stores, utilities, hotels and transportation office merely by insertion of a credit card."

Even income taxes could be handled electronically, said Mr. Humphrey. Company payrolls would be compiled on magnetic tape and transmitted to employe's accounts at national or central banks, all of which would have inter-bank transmission equipment.

Not all payments would be handled this way. Mr. Humphrey added, "Transactions between individuals, and other low-volume transactions will not be subject to mechanization through the re cording devices."

However, "almost every individual does have access to a device which could be used for sending information to the central bank's data processor-the dial telephone."

#### Satellite Scanner Shoots Earth



A two-pound slow-scanning device in the Explorer paddle-wheel satellite has taken the first "television" picture of the earth from space. Radioed shot, which covered a portion of the North Central Pacific Ocean was made Aug. 14 as the satellite spun 19,500 mile over Mexico. Photo at left shows the result, detailed enough for scientists to discern cloud formations. Scar ner, developed at Space Technology Labs of Ingle wood, Calif., formed image that was sent over 1.5-cps bandwidth signal to Hawaiian tracking station. single photo took 40 minutes to transmit. At right is National Aeronautics and Space Administration's in terpretation of the signals, superimposed on a globe

#### Suppressed-Carrier AM Best So Far For Low-Noise in FM-AM Stereo

In a progress report to the System Specifications panel of the Electronic Industries Association's stereo committee (NSRC), a subgroup has eported that a system using suppressed carrier an gives the best signal-to-noise ratio of six fm-am systems studied.

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However, the subgroup reported that another ystem with good signal-to-noise, but which does not use carrier suppression, would result in an ppreciably simpler receiver. A receiver panel of the NSRC will report on receiver complexity of the systems under study.

Other activities underway by various NSRC roups include:

• Tests of fm-fm systems for minimum bandwidth required for good stereo broadcasting, and ptimum compromise bandwidth for combined tereo and background music broadcast;

• Theoretical studies of the relative merit of m and am subcarriers for fm stereo broadcasting;

• Classification of am stereo systems so far proposed;

• Tests of the British EMI system, which will e made by comparison listening with other sysems.

#### AGE System Gets New-Design Antenna



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Step type DA-729		10-1500	500	1000	below 200 mmf.	
Ring type DA-740*		10-1000	500	900-1300	Symmetrical design. Inserts from either end ideal for	
Ring type DA-741*		10-1000	500	900-1300	end ideal for automatic insertion	
Eyelet type DA-784		25-1000	500	1000	For high frequency	
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#### **NEWS**

#### Meeting to be Programmed by Electronic Computer

The Federation of American Societies for Ex perimental Biology will use machine methods t program its 1960 meeting.

The test of programming a meeting by computer will be made as part of a larger study to develop and test machine methods of scheduling thousands of papers at large meetings. The National Science Foundation has awarded a gran to the federation for this research.

Plans for the machine system call for development of a hierarchial subject classification papers. Coding sheets will be provided authors who will classify their individual papers. These papers will then be automatically grouped and assigned to sections. The subject classification as signed by authors and punched on cards may also serve as a subject index.

Both the mechanical and traditional system will be used and the two resulting programs will be compared and evaluated.

Techniques resulting from the study are en pected to reduce greatly the magnitude and com plexity of the scheduling process and to incream the effectiveness of scientific meetings.

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#### "Mobot" Works in Hot Lab



Electronic control, through multiplexing units, perm this newly developed handler to work remotely radioactive areas. Multiplexing units are installed the control console and in the body of Mobot. Actual ing circuits for hydraulic arms are in the arm-base un on which are mounted cameras for TV closeups claws. Over 100 commands can be sent through cab to handling unit, which draws 7.5 kva. Mobot was veloped by Hughes Aircraft for Sandia Corp.

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A new missile attitude indicator to measure the roll, pitch and yaw of research rockets in flight has been developed by British General Electric for the Royal Air Force.

The rocket is illuminated by two high-power cw X-band transmitters on either side of the range center line. In the rocket, fixed to a strong ring, are three flush-mounted microwave aerials and associated circuitry, forming two orthogonal interferometers.

The angles subtended between each interferometer base line and each transmitter are measured by a phase comparison technique. Then, by combining any three of these four angles with the rocket's known position in space, it's pitch, roll and yaw can be calculated to within a few minutes of arc.

A special circuit has been developed to overcome the difficulty of maintaining equal phase responses in two separate amplifier channels. A low frequency, from a microwave single-sideband modulator, is added to the local oscillator to one mixer. Frequency and phase differences are kept constant during mixing, and the two signals are combined and passed through a single if amplifier, followed by a detector and another amplifier.

Finally the phase of the if signal is compared with a reference frequency obtained from the modulator, the resulting voltage being a measure of the phase difference at the receiving aerials. This is fed into the telemetry transmitter for reception on the ground.

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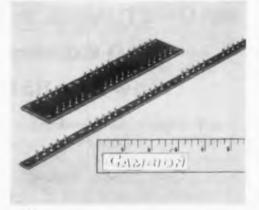
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#### **NEWS**

#### Radiation Tracking Transducer **Uses Lateral Photo Effect**

A solid-state transducer making use of the lat eral photo effect has been developed for the Army Ballistic Missile Agency to track radiation.

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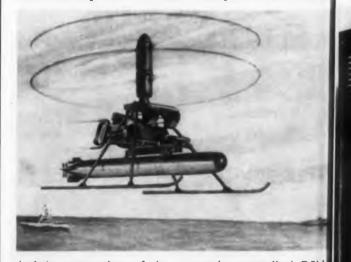
The radiation transducer, a pn junction wafe supp about the size of a nickel, can track aircraft or gene other flying objects without need for complet mechanical apparatus, according to the developer Electro-Optical Systems, Inc., of Pasadena, Calif

It can also be used in celestial navigation appli cations in place of gyroscope systems, in horizon seeking for space vehicles, missile launch orienta tion, target ranging, location of light flashes on the ground and specialized ground communication systems. And it is applicable, the company says to instrumentation, automatic control and com puter techniques.

The unit is said to be capable of detecting and resolving the position of emissions at angles motion smaller than 0.1 second of an arc. It aimed electrically, so mechanical rotation of the cell is unnecessary.

Presently available units are sensitive to light wavelengths from 0.5 to 1.1 microns.

#### Remotely Controlled Copter for ASW search



Artist's conception of the remotely controlled DSN Drone, a torpedo-carrying coaxial helicopter being developed for the Navy by Gyrodyne Co. of America Inc., L.I., N.Y. The rotary-winged craft, carrying homi torpedoes, are scheduled for anti-submarine di aboard destroyers as part of the Navy's DASH weap

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... TV SCANNER for first U.S. moon probe has already been built as bench model. Final version of NASA high-resolution unit will be part of system designed to relay back to earth between 10 and 100 photos of probe's approach to moon.

Army winder missile incorporates 35 patentable inventions: in the seeker, 18; servo, 5; servo and power wafer supply, 3; voltage supply 4; flight control, 1; gas aft or generator package, 4.

possible General Instrument Corp.'s 9-1/2-oz transistorized tuners for portable TV sets. Company has also developed miniaturized deflection components for the portable receivers.

on the ... TWO MORE PATENTS for electronic solutations to character recognition problems have been says awarded to Farrington Mfg. Co. One is for an electronic extension of stroke-recognition reading machine, the other is for a shift-register recognition method. In this technique, output of a scanner is introduced to the first stage of a tapped of the signal outputs introduced to the line at different times.

Western Reserve University for retrieval of library information will be built in a high-speed prototype version by General Electric. The GE-250 computer-like scanner will be able to search 100,000 abstracts per hour; the WRU scanner, used successfully in a metallurgical literature program, searches 30 abstracts per hour.



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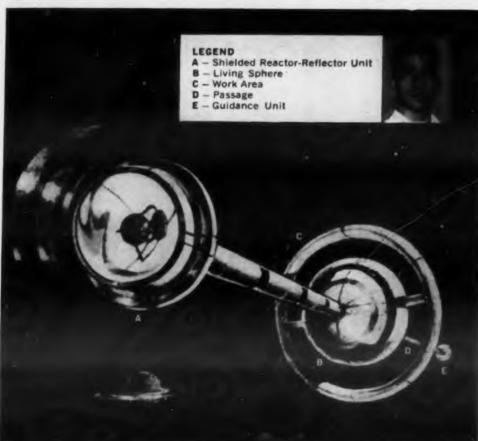
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#### **NEWS**

... NEW YORK'S HI-FI SHOW displaced \$5-million worth of equipment to about 60,000 viewers during its run earlier this month. Fi-fi dealer sales for 1959 are expected to reach \$300 million, a 15 per cent increase over 1958 sales. As expected, stereo dominated the show. But still unresolved is tape question: will stereo tapes come in cartridges or reels? Bell Labs showed a precedence-effect stereo system that permits "monophic" reception of stereo programs on one speaker through use of a 10 millisec delay in signal trans-

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... A NEW WORD has been coined to name the newly formed Intellectronics Laboratories of Ramo Wooldrige, which will work in industrial process conctol, automatic language translation. information retrieval and man-machine systems

... DIFFUSED MESA TRANSISTORS with switching speeds of less than a tenth of a microsecond and 10 amp ratings have been delivered to the Air Force by Pacific Semiconductor. Company is also working on 20, 50 and 100-amp units.

. . . SPACE SURVEILLANCE Operations Center, at Dahlgren, Va., is capable of displaying on a screen map of the earth the path of missiles or satellites that cross a radar "fence" reaching across the southern U.S. Two transmitters, in Alabama and Arizona, provide the entire coast-to-coast coverage.

... TELEMETERING LINK has been extended by telephone by Boeing engineers relaying Bomarc flight data from Cape Canaveral range to Seattle (photo below). Flight telemetry data recorded on 60-ips tape is recorded at 1-7/8 ips at acquisition station, for transmission by telephone with frequency and bandwidth compressed by a factor of 32. At Seattle station, data is rerecorded at 60 ips.

# QUOTES IN THE NEWS...

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"Experience to date shows that the introduction of data processing equipment is often accompanied by an explosive increase in communications requirements . . . if a data processor requires only one day to prepare a report . . . [a] . . . threeday delay in the mail becomes the overwhelming factor determining report preparation time, and an obvious bottleneck." W. E. Leubbert, Army Signal R & D Lab, Fort Monmouth, in a paper at the Fall AIEE meeting, Chicago.

#### On meeting Japanese competition:

"Instead of breaking our necks and integrity to cut costs by using imported parts of dubious quality, we are continuing to concentrate on top performance, outstanding convenience features, and appealing new designs of our instruments . . ."

L. C. Truesdell, Zenith V.P. at a marketing meeting.

#### On the data processing market:

"The electronic data processing market, including general-purpose and special-purpose computers, and other digital systems, this year will amount to more than \$1 billion. And all present indications are that the market will at least double itself by 1965, and keep right on rising." R. E. Lewis, president of Sylvania at the dedication of a new Sylvania computer plant.

#### On the instrument lag:

"The necessary instrumentation for thorough exploration of space is not on the drawing boards at the present time." Dr. Thomas Gold, Cornell University at a physics colloquium during which he predicted that scientists would be able to produce basic instruments to measure nagnetic fields and gas densities in space.

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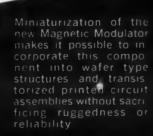
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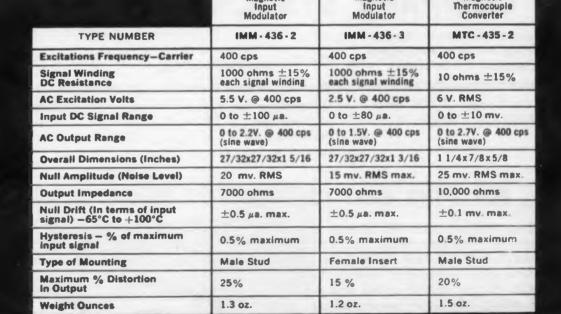
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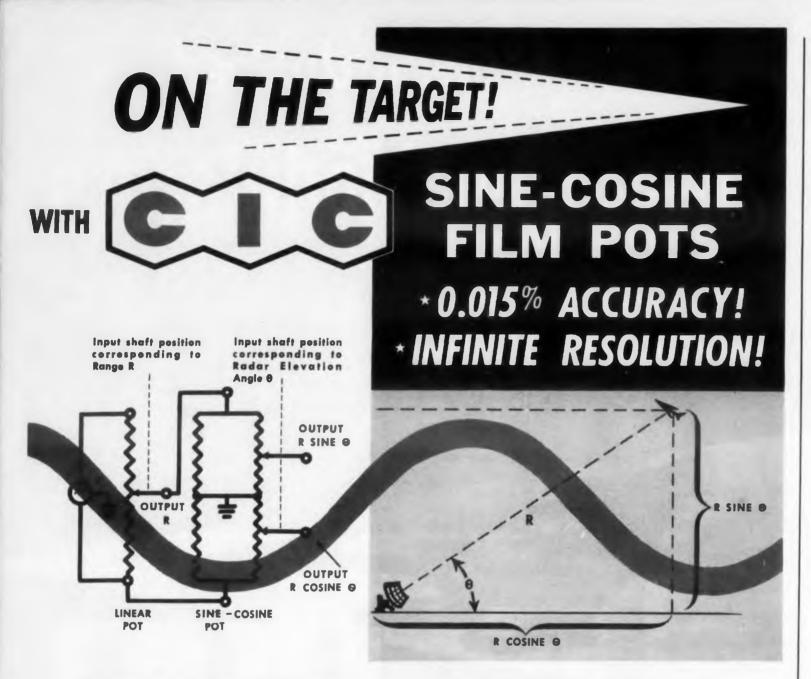
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#### New Weapons And Space Projects, A Budget Worry

Budget problems are perplexing the Pentagon. Proposed solutions range from suggestions of ways in which bigger budgets might be made palatable to reluctant admissions that belt-tightening will probably be the course that must be followed. Coincidentally, high officials have implied that there is no "space race" with Russia and that U.S. space projects will be at least as impressive as the Soviets' as soon as proper booster capacity is developed.

In the purely military field of missiles, however, no such graceful acceptance of the U.S. situation can be found. Philip B. Taylor, Assistant Air Force Secretary for Material, reflected prevailing opinion when stating bluntly that this country must "match or surpass" Russia's missiles lest the deterrent effect of American military forces be jeopardized and the country find itself "drifting toward the position of falling victim to Soviet nuclear blackmail."

The fact is that the Pentagon is becoming more and more concerned about being squeezed between rising weapons costs and a relatively rigid budget. There seems to be little hope that the defense budget will rise substantially. In fact, the Air Force budget director has observed that this "would be completely out of the question without a drastic reorientation of the nation's attitude toward taxation."

For the present, the solution would appear to consist in a judicious, but unflinching, pruning of projects whose promise is limited. The extent to which this will adversely affect the electronics industry can not be foretold, though it is clear that cancellation of any advanced weapons (or space) project will cost the industry money. The electronics industry is, however, fortunately situated in that it is heavily involved with R&D. It is quite clear that the government is determined to keep acquiring knowledge.

#### National Program Of Research

Thus, Secretary Taylor has called for a constant level of R&D as a national policy "if we are to counter the balanced offensive of our opponent

with a balanced defense of our own." Similarly, the Army's R&D chief has warned that "a national program of dynamic research" by government and industry is necessary if the U.S. is to avoid the danger of "running out of new basic knowledge."

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Specifically, Lt. Gen. Trudeau, in charge of Army R&D, would like to get more money so that "every area of research that promises a profitable return" can be exploited. "Management," he said, "must place the emphasis in research where it is needed." He also urged that all organizations engaged in research promote interchange of scientific information. Only by diligently fostering basic investigations can "the background of theories and information so vital to the proper pursuit of applied research and development" be provided.

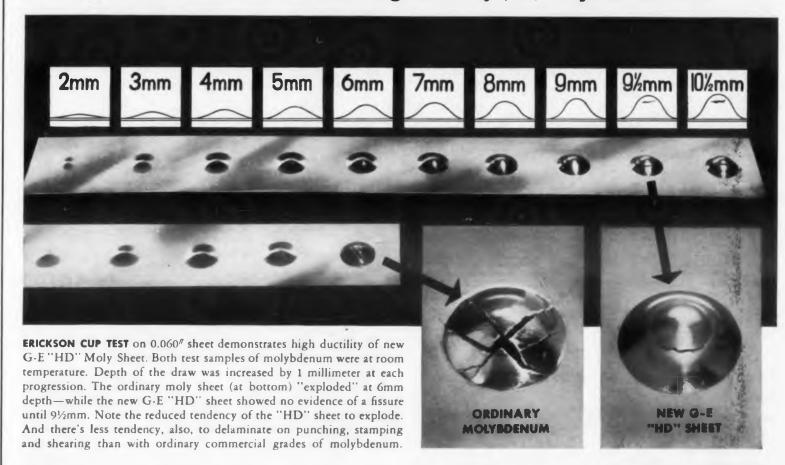
#### **Budget Difficulties**

There are, of course, limits to the extent that any organization can indulge its desire to explore all promising research areas-and the limits are budgetary. This at times may lead to seemingly anomalous situations. For example, a rocket booster project might show great promise and be well advanced in terms of the current state of the art. It might nevertheless be out of line with anticipated needs by the time its end-product is ready. In such a case, it might be judged discreet to cancel the project and devote the funds required for its completion to something else which, upon completion, would better fill the needs of the military. On the other hand, a good case might be made that completion of such a well-advanced project that does not quite fill the bill is fully justified because it would give this country a leg up in space exploration, provide valuable experience, and improve America's international public relations.

Defense officials recognize that fine lines must be drawn, but they would like to hedge a bit. This could be done more easily if there were some sort of yardstick for defense funds which could be recognized as reasonable by industry, labor, the public, and Congress. Trial balloons concerning this are being sent up by the military. One proposal is to gear the defense budget to the U.S. Gross National Product—the total output of goods and services. The defense budget is now running somewhere around nine percent of the GNP," savs Maj. Gen. R. J. Friedman. "If we can agree that a defense effort of this level is not damaging the economy today—and that if this ratic is maintained it would not damage the econe my in the future—we then might reasonably expect dollar increases in the defense budget propertionate to the gain" in GNP. About \$1.5 billion a year in new money might accrue to the milita y if this system were adopted. (By contrast, the 1958 Rockefeller Report recommended \$3 billion.)

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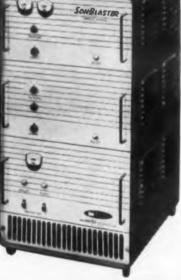
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#### November

- \*16-19 Conference on Magnetism and Magnetic Na. terials, AIEE, Office of Naval Research, American Physical Society, IRE, and the Metallurgical Society of A.I.M.E. Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, Mich.
- \*16-20 14th Annual Meeting and Astronautical Exposition, American Rocket Society, Sheraton Park Hotel, Washington, D. C.
- \*16-20 5th International Automation Congress and Exposition, New York Trade Show Building, New York, N. Y.
- 17-19 Northeast Electronics Research and Engineer ing Meeting, IRE, Boston Commonwealth Armory, Boston, Mass.
- \*19-20 6th Annual Meeting of the Professional Group on Nuclear Science, IRE, Someraet Hotel, Bos-
- 23-24 Symposium on Solid State Techniques in Instrumentation, ISA, IRE, AIEE, Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa.

#### December

- 1-2 1959 Eastern Joint Computer Conference, AIEE, ACM, PGEC, Statler Hilton Hotel, Boston, Mass.
- 1-2 4th Midwest Symposium on Circuit Theory, Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wis.
- Professional Group Vehicular Communications. Colonial Inn & Desert Ranch, St. Petersburg,
- 3rd Annual International Visual Communications Congress, Society of Reproduction Engineers, SRE, Statler Hilton Hotel, New York, N. Y.
- 8-10 2nd National Conference on the Application of Electrical Insulation, AIEE, NEMA, Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C.

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The Conference on Magnetism and Magnetic Materials will be held in Detroit, Mich., at the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel. This Conference, sponsored by the Magnetics Subcommittee of the Basic Science Committee of the AIEE, seeks to bring together those interested in basic and applied work in magnetism. For further information contact the Local Conference Committee Chairman: D. M. Grimes, Dept. of Electrical Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

#### 14th Annual Meeting and Astronautical Exposition, November 16-20

The American Rocket Society's Annual Meeting will be held at the Sheraton Park Hotel in Washington, D. C. The Opening session will cover: Guidance and Navigation; Physics of the Atmos-

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phere and Space; Propellants and Combustion; Ion and Plasma Propulsion; Man in Space; Flight Mechanics; Human Reliability and Physics of the Atmosphere and Space. Meetings and Public Relations Manager is Roderick L. Hohl, 500 Fifth Ave., New York 36, N.Y.

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Richard Rimbach Associates, management for the International Expositions, announces the New York City Trade Show Building as the site for the IAE. The exhibit is expected to present over 100 clinic sessions covering computers, process instrumentation, machine tool control, materials handling and office automation, servomechanisms and components in control. Also temperature pressure, flow and dimensional measurement and control will be treated. In addition to the clinic sessions the Technical Program for the Congress will include 12 separately sponsored conferences of professional interest. Managing Director is Richard Rimbach, 845 Ridge Ave., Pittsburgh 12, Pa.

#### Northeast Electronics Research and Engineering Meeting, November 17-19

The NEREM will be held at the Boston Commonwealth Armory, Boston, Mass. Some of the areas to be covered will include: electron devices, medical electronics, circuit theory and practice, machine control, equipment design consideration, semiconductors, instrumentation, Doppler radar techniques for air navigation, reliability quality control and computer techniques. Technical papers will be presented at sessions scheduled to run concurrently with the exhibitions. Address correspondence to: Miss Shirley Whiteker, IRE Boston Office, 73 Tremont Street, Boston, Mass.

#### 6th Annual Meeting of the IRE Professional Group on Nuclear Science, November 19-20

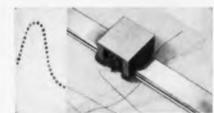
The IRE Professional Group on Nuclear Science will hold its 6th Annual Meeting on November 19 and 20 at the Somerset Hotel, Boston, Mass. Special emphasis will be placed on Nuclear Rocket Propulsion. The Technical Program will include sessions on: Nuclear Science and Space Exploration, Electronics for Plasma Production and Diagnostics, Research Instrumentation for High Energy Nuclear Science, Nuclear Reactor Instrumentation and Control, and Automatic Systems for Nuclear Data Processing. This meeting will overlap the NEREM which will have complementary technical sessions and exhibits. Chairman is Hugh F. Stoddart, Atomium Corp., 940 Main St, Waltham 54, Mass.



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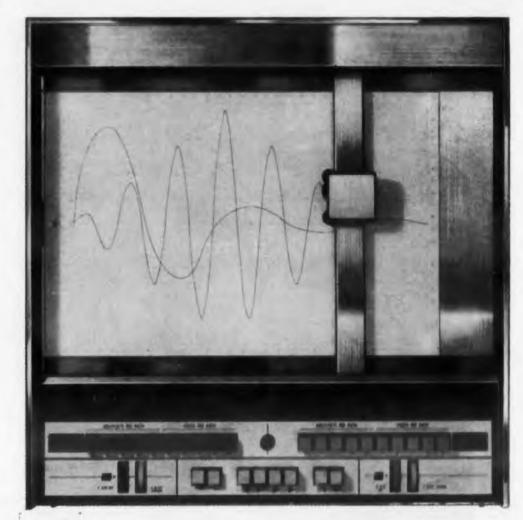


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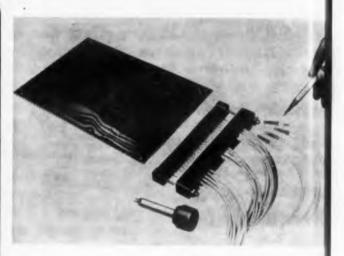
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#### Helping Education Catch Up

The Ford Foundation's grant of \$19.5 million to 10 major schools for modernizing engineering education deserves both our gratitude and our close attention.

Most of the money will be used to strengthen faculties, raise salaries, and improve teaching and research facilities—all solid actions that will eventually affect the quality of design engineers.

The rest of the "magnificent" grant will be used on bold innovations in engineering education. These could have an earlier and deeper effect on our industry.

Cleveland's Case Institute of Technology will use its \$1 million grant to create pioneering centers in engineering design and in systems research. Believing that "the greatest emphasis in engineering education should be placed upon the close relationships and interdisciplinary character of modern engineering and science," Case is setting up (1) an engineering design lab that will specialize in "authentic design problems" (many of which will be electronic) and (2) a systems research center that will make use of the entire faculty to teach systems thinking in design.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology will use part of its nearly \$10-million grant to "evolve new syntheses of courses to couple the basic sciences with the newly emerging fields of engineering and to introduce students to the 'hard-headed' purposefulness of engineering."

Exactly fitting some of the important needs of the electronic industry are three of the "themes" being considered by MIT for the new curricula: materials—manipulating atoms and particles to produce new devices; energy processing—new ways of converting one source of energy to another; and information processing—developing computer systems and other devices for communication, analysis and control.

We would do well to watch closely and to consider expanding these two imaginative projects to help engineering education meet tomorrow's needs. As Dr. H. T. Heald, president of the Ford Foundation says, we must help this education catch up in the "hopeless race against time and reality," where "most engineering students . . . are being equipped for the engineering of the last half of the century by being indoctrinated with the art and practice of the Nineteen Fifties."

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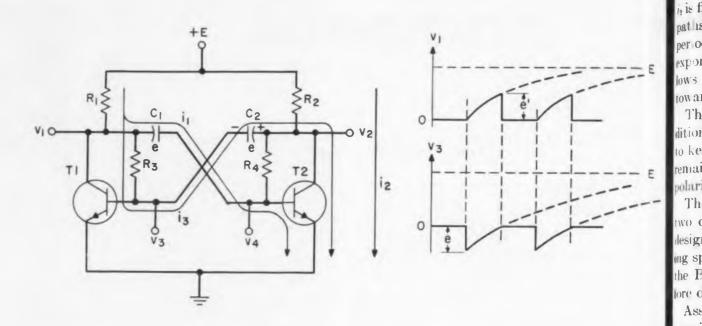


Fig. 1. Circuit and waveforms of the basic self-starting multivibrator.

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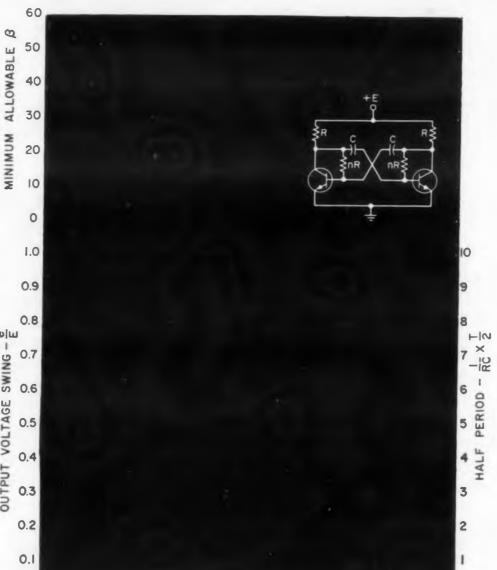


Fig. 2. Design curves for determining voltage swing, half period, and minimum allowable beta for the self-starting multi.

a)w OUTPUT VOLTAGE SWING -5 RESISTOR RATIO - N

Irwin Dorros had a problem. He needed a master clock oscillator that would be self-starting and would start every time. He describes the circuit here and shows how to design it with simple curves and how to couple it to a load.

SOME MULTIVIBRATOR configurations do not start reliably. Coupling to the load alters the calculated operating conditions. Often capacitor coupling to the load is undesirable. Faced with these problems the engineer finds it difficult to obtain design information covering these areas This article provides the answers to these problems

The circuit shown in Fig. 1 is self-starting. The feature leading to self-starting is the forward bias voltage, which is applied as  $v_3$  and  $v_4$ . It results in the transistors having gain whether or not current is passing through the capacitors C.

#### **How The Circuit Operates**

Assume the state of each transistor has just changed. T1 is cut off, T2 is saturated, the voltage on  $C_1$  is zero, and the voltage on  $C_2$  is some value  $\ell$ , with indicated polarity. Neglecting leakage currents and voltage drops across forward junctions  $v_1 = v_2 = v_3 = v_4 = 0$ , and  $v_3 = -e$ . The currents prevailing until the transistors again change state may be divided into three components. At  $E/R_2$  amplified into three components.

is fixed and  $i_1$  and  $i_3$  follow complex exponential paths towards zero. Throughout this part of the per od  $v_2 = v_4 = 0$ . The voltage  $v_3$  follows a complex exponential path from -e toward +E, and  $v_1$  follows another complex exponential path from 0 loward + E.

The transistors will not switch under two conditions: (1) If the current  $i_1$  through  $C_1$  be sufficient  $_{0}$  keep  $T_{2}$  saturated. (2) If the voltage across  $C_{2}$ remains greater than zero with the indicated

The transistors will switch if either of these wo conditions are not satisfied. If the circuit is designed to switch due to insufficient  $i_1$  the switchng speed is slow, and the period dependent upon he Beta of the transistors. This circuit is thereore designed to preclude condition 2.

Assuming that  $i_1$  is at all times sufficient for  $T_2$  to emain saturated, the first part of the period ends when  $v_3$  crosses zero on its excursion toward E. During this interval, C2 becomes discharged to pero volts by  $i_3$ , and  $C_1$  becomes charged by  $i_1$  to ome voltage e'. A solution for the unknowns e and leads to the necessary design information. Only he symmetrical case in which e = e' is treated in his article.

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A set of curves is shown in Fig. 2 from which the half period, the voltage swing e and e', and the minimum allowable Beta can be determined. The eader interested only in choosing parameters for application with negligible load need not refer

Circuit equations were solved for the two half periods, and the initial and final conditions were matched at the transition times. The two lower curves on Fig. 2 are plotted from the results.

For all resistor ratios n, there is a  $\pm$ ower limit the permissible value of Beta due to the necessity for providing sufficient current to the base of the saturated transistor to insure saturaacitor with tion for the entire half period. Because  $i_1(t)$  is a minimum at t = T/2, this limiting condition is:

$$\frac{E-e}{R_1} - \frac{e}{R_2} > \frac{\frac{e}{R_1} + \frac{E}{R_2}}{\beta}$$

where the resistors are as shown in Fig. 1. For  $R_1 = R_4 = nR_1 = nR_2 = nR$ , this condition becomes:

$$\beta > \frac{1 + \frac{e}{E} \frac{1}{n}}{1 - \frac{(n+1)}{n} \frac{e}{E}}$$

In Fig. 2 the minimum Beta is plotted along with the e and T/2 curves for practical values of n. tions

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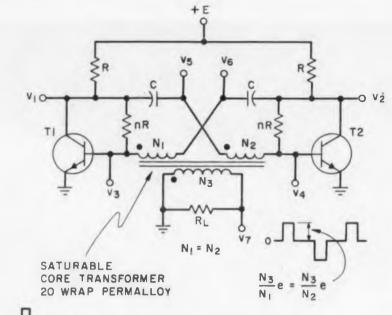
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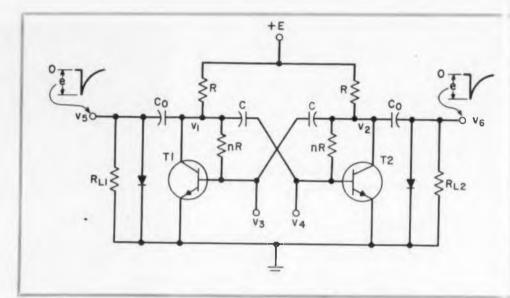


Fig. 4. Circuit for capacitor-coupling to a load.

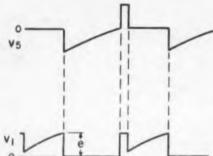


Fig. 3. The transformer-coupled selfstarting multi, and its waveforms.

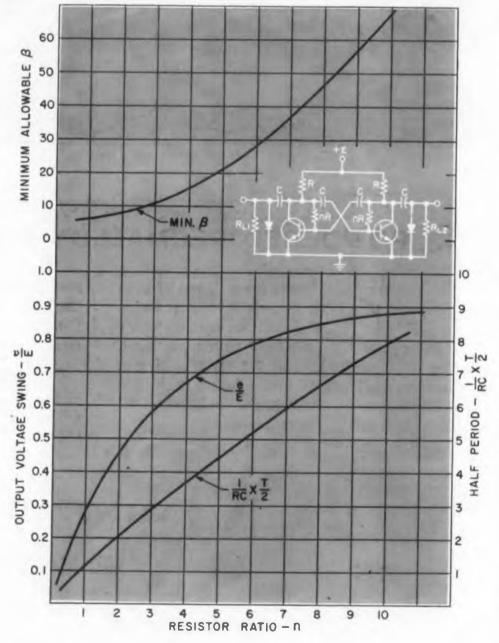


Fig. 5. Design curves for the capacitor-coupled multi.

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Forward biased junction voltage drops and leakage currents are neglected, causing some error, particularly for low values of E. The curves are not continued beyond n=10, since Beta becomes prohibitively large.

#### **Transformer Coupling The Load**

In Fig. 3 a method of transformer output idere coupling is illustrated. The transformer core is ircuit made of square loop material to shape the flat-lie co topped output pulses. It is assumed the reader atura has a basic familiarity with square loop magnetic material techniques.  $N_1$  equals  $N_2$ , and  $N_3$  is chosen for load requirements. The currents in windings  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  aid in inducing current in  $N_3$ . As the transistors change state the currents in  $N_1$ and  $N_2$  reverse and the core goes into its high his co inductance state. The voltage across  $N_1 = N_2 = e$ and the output voltage becomes  $v_7$ .

$$v_2 = \frac{N_{3e}}{N_2} = \frac{N_{3e}}{N_1}$$

Although the windings have high impedance at this time, the saturated transistor is sustained by the constant magnetizing current,  $(nI_0)$ , through the windings.

The length of time that the core persists in the high impedance state determines the output pulse width. This is given by:

$$T = \frac{N_1 \Delta \Phi}{e}$$

where  $\Delta \Phi$  is the change in flux necessary to switch the core. When the core saturates, output voltage

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drops and the windings look like "short cirits." This condition continues for the remainder the half-period. The circuit operation differs om that in the previous section only during the utput pulse. During this time the high winding apedances cause the calculated timing transients be delayed until the end of the Pulse when the re saturates. To a first approximation the curves Fig. 2 for the unloaded case apply, with the alf-period lengthened by the output pulse width, This coupling method allows accurate control pulse width, provides a means for impedance atching to the load, and draws energy from the reuit only during the pulse.

The circuit was built with R = 2k,  $R_L = 200$ hms, n=1, C=0.012 mfd., E=25 v,  $B_1\cong B_2$ >30,  $N_1 = N_2 = 64$  turns and  $N_3 = 16$  turns. The ore was 20 wraps of #479 permalloy, 0.125 mils hick, wound on an Arnold Engineering Corp. #1 obbin. The resulting voltage swing e was 9.3 and ge E he half-period was 26  $\mu$ sec including a 3  $\mu$ sec refore utput pulse. This agrees closely with the prequire- licted operation from Fig. 2.

#### **Capacitor Coupling The Load**

The more conventional RC type coupling is hown in Fig. 4. The output pulses are decaying aponentials of amplitude e and a time constant ked by the coupling capacitors and load resistors. capacitors  $C_0$  are small compared to  $C_1$ , circuit peration becomes the case of negligible load conutput idered earlier. If  $C_0$  is much larger than  $C_1$ , the reuit is heavily loaded and it is difficult to fulfill he condition of supplying enough current to the aturated transistor during the entire half-period. eader the somewhat arbitrary case of  $C = C_0$  is therefore netic  $N_3$  is onsidered here. Modified circuit equations were olved for this case and the results are plotted n  $N_{3-}$ 

Minimum Beta is raised by a factor of 2 for high his configuration since the current available to ustain the saturated transistor must be shared C and  $C_0$ . The condition becomes:

$$\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{E-e}{R}-\frac{e}{nR}\right)>\frac{\frac{e}{nR}+\frac{\overline{E}}{R}}{\beta}$$

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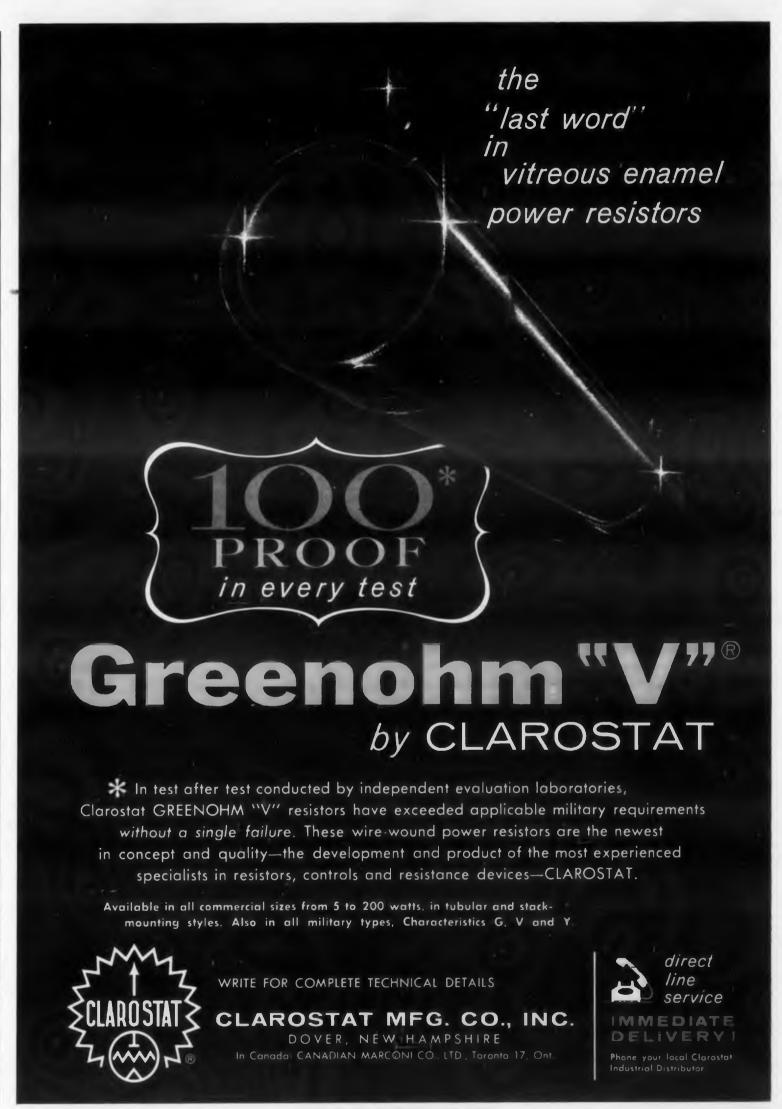
$$\beta > \frac{2\left(1 + \frac{e}{E} \frac{1}{n}\right)}{1 - \frac{(n+1)}{n} \frac{e}{E}}$$

The circuit designed in accordance with the a erial presented here fulfilled the requirements a self starting relaxation timing oscillator.

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## **Calibrating Frequency Standards**

When assigned to set up a frequency standard for Stromberg Carlson, Mr. Jaensch, Test Engineer, investigated various possibilities for calibration. After analysis and check of several systems, he came to the conclusion that newer techniques could be used with marked improvement in accuracy without essentially higher cost. His article deals with the newer versions along with a comparison of methods in use.

Seven methods of calibrating frequency standards are described. An outline of procedures, types of equipment required and comparison of results is also included.

V ARIOUS methods, ranging from simple beat-frequency checks to elaborate electronic counter systems, are applicable for calibration of commercial frequency standards. To achieve the same order of accuracy, however, a time interval of many days is required with less complicated, and cheaper procedures as compared with several hours for the more complex and expensive counter techniques.

#### **Definition of Accuracy**

The actual accuracy of a frequency standard is the sum of the following three factors of uncertainty:

- Stability of the standard, meaning the greatest possible change in frequency over a specified interval of time. Stability is a property of the individual frequency generator, resulting from design and make, and from the properties of its components.
- Greatest possible error in checking the standard in question against a master standard. The present article describes various methods for this check, and specifies practical tolerances for each of them. Moreover, possible deviations of received master frequency or time signal may be included in this factor, as far as they are caused by wireless transmission between master and test station.

• Accuracy of the master standard used for calibrating or checking the frequency standard in question. In most practical cases, standard frequencies or time signals transmitted by WWV station are used as master standard. These signals provide the highest accuracy available to the public in this country. Table 1 lists the specifications of WWV transmission as far as they are of interest for calibrating frequency standards.

#### **Primary and Secondary Frequency Standards**

Easily misleading common terms should be mentioned. Time is a fundamental unit of physics; frequency is not. Therefore, standard frequency sources are often classified as primary or secondary standards.

A Primary Frequency Standard is defined as one whose frequency is determined directly in terms of time. This is done by integrating a certain great number of cycles of the frequency, and comparing the elapsed time with time signals of a master primary standard, such as time pulses from WWV.

A Secondary Frequency Standard is defined as one whose frequency is determined by comparison with the frequency of a primary or secondary standard. The beat method described is the typical way of checking a Secondary standard.

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It should be realized, that the classification as Primary or Secondary standard does not specify restrictions for accuracy and stability, though these two factors actually determine the usefulness of a frequency standard.

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#### Method 1: Beat Frequency—Observation by Individual

The easiest and fastest way of checking a standard oscillator against WWV is the well-known beat method. A radio receiver is tuned to a WWV frequency, for example, the 10 mc channel. The output of the oscillator under test is loosely coupled to the receiver's antenna.

Assuming the oscillator frequency is approximately 1 mc, its tenth harmonic mixed with 10 mc of the WWV carrier will produce beats. One beat per second would indicate the tenth harmonic of the oscillator is actually 10,000,001, or 9,999. 999 cycles. In other words, the oscillator is off frequency by one part in ten millions, or 1 x 10<sup>-7</sup>. This resultant frequency deviation, multiplied by the possible error in determining the frequency of beat cycles, states the accuracy of the test.

#### **Transmission Fading**

When the master frequency is received through the air over a distance of more than several miles, transmission "fading" deteriorates the accuracy in two ways:

First, fading of the received signal strength interferes with the actual frequency beat, making determination of very slow beats in the order of several seconds impossible. This can be overcome by deliberately setting the oscillator off frequency a small amount, so as to produce a higher beat frequency. At the same time, this trick eliminates any doubt whether measured frequency

changes are directed to the high or low side. For mest applications of the standard, such slight deviation from the nominal value is acceptable as long as the actual frequency is exactly known.

The second disadvantage of wireless transmission is more serious. The effect commonly called fading is caused by sky waves of the transmitted signal changing their path to the point of reception. At frequencies above 3 mc, transmission to distances over 100 miles depends entirely on such sky waves reflected from the ionosphere.

#### Changes of Time Signals and Frequency by Wireless Transmission

To explain the influence of wireless transmission on remote frequency and time measurements, a simplified numerical example is shown. Assume the following conditions (Fig. 1):

Distance between transmitter and receiver, 500 km (310 miles).

Height of reflecting layer in ionosphere during daytime, 100 km.

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Height of reflecting layer in ionosphere during night time, 110 km.

Resultant length of path during daytime, 538.5 km, during night time, 546.3 km.

In the present context, only changes of transmission conditions are considered. Difference of path length, 7.8 km, is important and equals a difference in time of travel:

$$\frac{7.8 \text{ Km}}{300,000/\text{Km/sec}} = 26 \times 10^{-6} \text{ sec}$$

Under conditions assumed, at night a signal is received with 26 x 10<sup>-6</sup> sec longer time delay.

During either period of constant path length, the frequency received is exactly the same as that

Table 1: Specifications of WWV transmission

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0.7 KW	-
8 KW	2 KW
9 KW	2 KW
9 KW	2 KW
1 KW	-
0.1 KW	-
1 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>	5 x 10 <sup>-9</sup>
$2 \times 10^{-10}$ per day	4 x 10 <sup>-10</sup> per day
avelog 1 000 a/a	5 avalor 1 200 als
cycles 1,000 c/s	5 Cycles 1,200 C/s
$1 \times 10^{-8} \pm 1$ n	nicrosecond
	0.7 KW 8 KW 9 KW 9 KW 1 KW 0.1 KW

at the transmitter. But, while the reflecting layer is moving from one position to the other, the Doppler effect causes the received frequency to be different from the one at transmitter. As a further assumption, in the example, the path length may change steadily from one extreme to the other in half an hour (1800 sec). During these periods, frequency received will vary from the one at transmitter for

$$\frac{26 \times 10^{-6} \sec}{1800 \sec} = 14 \times 10^{-9} = \frac{\Delta f}{f}$$

being slow in the evening (path extending), but fast in the morning (path shortening).

The above example is extremely simplified for demonstrating the action of fading and the order of magnitude of its effects. Actually, many more variables are involved. Different layers of the ionosphere are responsible for the reflection, depending on frequency and distance of transmis-

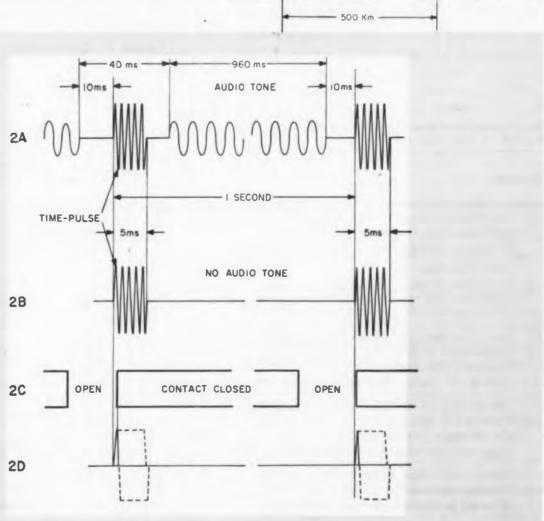
**Fig. 1.** Wireless transmissions; example of skywaves with different path length, 538.5 km, or 546.3 km, respectively.

sion. This results in almost unpredictable frequency deviations between zero and several parts in  $10^{-7}$ . Most correct reception of a frequency can be assumed to occur when the amplitude of incoming signal remains constant. Over periods of more than ten seconds, deviations in frequency can rarely be expected to be less than  $1 \times 10^{-9}$ .

In case of wireless reception of master frequency, the beat method with direct visual or aural observation of beat frequency is therefore usually limited to an accuracy in the order of  $5 \times 10^{-9}$ .

#### Method 2: Beat Frequency—Evaluation of Recorded Beats

Errors caused by wireless transmission can be cut down considerably by recording the beats over a longer time. A chart recorder may be connected in place of, or in parallel with, the tuning meter of the receiver. Using a suitable speed as time axis, a continuous record of beat waves ver-



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Fig. 2. Time-check waveforms. A: WWV modulation for 3 minutes; B: WWV modulation for 2 minutes; recurring in 5 minute periods. Time pulse occurs in either case, consisting of 5 cycles of 1 kc; C: Contact of synchronous clock opens for a short instant each second; D: WWV signal B, cut by clock contact to limit of audibility.

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sus time can be obtained for later evaluation.

As a practical example, oscillator frequency may be set off nominal value by  $2 \times 10^{-8}$ . Checking against 10 mc WWV, the resulting beat period is about five seconds. A recording speed of six in. per minute produces one beat wave on every half inch of strip, thus allowing the evaluation of one hundred beat periods without difficulty. Figuring the accuracy of paper speed and evaluation as 2 per cent, the overall accuracy of frequency reading comes out to 2 per cent of  $2 \times 10^{-8}$ , or  $4 \times 10^{-10}$ .

#### Electro-Mechanical Clock for Checking Frequency Against Time

The common method for checking frequency against time is by means of a special electric clock. By means of dividers such as triggered multivibrator or synchronized tuned circuits, the frequency of the standard oscillator is divided down to a frequency in the audio range. The resultant frequency, having essentially the same accuracy as the standard, is used to drive a synchronous clock. Comparing the indication of this clock over a longer interval of time with standard time, shows the deviation of oscillator frequency

from its nominal value.

For precise reading of this clock, a contact is operated by the shaft of the second hand. The contact is adjustable and a dial indicates the relative setting of the contact in fractions of a second.

#### Method 3: Electro-mechanical Clock—Acoustical Observation

The simplest procedure uses acoustical observation of the WWV time pulse. The clock contact is connected to short the output of the receiver. During a brief time of contact opening every second, the audio signal from WWV can be heard.

The opening period of the contact is adjusted to coincide with the received time pulse.

This pulse consists of exactly five cycles of 1 kc frequency (Figs. 2a, 2b). Finally, the contact is adjusted to let only a fraction of the first 1 kc wave through, which can be observed as the lowest audible "click" (Fig. 2d). Limit of this acoustical observation may be stated as  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  sec.

The same procedure is repeated after a certain interval of time, for instance, once every day. Each time, after obtaining the same condition of audibility, the final setting of the contact dial is

written down. From these readings, frequency deviation can be calculated. The difference in dial setting between two readings, expressed in fractions of a second, divided by the time interval between two readings, equals the frequency deviation of the oscillator to be tested.

#### Method 4: Electro-mechanical Clock-Oscilloscope Observation

Using the same contact clock, accuracy can be improved by observing WWV time pulses on an oscilloscope. The clock contact is used to start the sweep of the oscilloscope. A small battery may be connected through the contact to trigger the sweep externally at a repetition rate of one second. Employing a slow sweep speed, the five 1 kc waves appear somewhere on the trace. By operating the contact adjustment, the instant of sweep triggering with respect to the WWV signal can be adjusted. By this means, the WWV pulse is shifted to the start of the trace. Now, sweep speed is switched to faster values for more precise observation on the oscilloscope screen.

The practical limit of accuracy in this type observation is about 1 x 10<sup>-5</sup> sec. In addition to the possible error in observation, the uncertainty of

#### Table 2: Comparison of Methods

Attainable accuracy of frequency test—versus period of test, for different test methods described. Figures in () include error to be expected by wireless transmission.—Refer to text for basis of individual figures.

Per	iod of Test (Seconds)	100	103	104	105	106		
Method		Tolerance of Reading × 10 <sup>-6</sup> Item Total			Accuracy of Test		est	
1	Beat Frequency Individual Observation (Frequency change by wireless transmission)	.002 (.005)	.002 (.007)	2 (7)	2 (7)	2 (7)	2 (7)	2 (7)
2	Beat Frequency Evaluation of recorded beats (Frequency change by wireless transmission, evaluating intervals of constant amplitude only)	.0004 (.002)	.0004 (.0024)	0.4 (2.4)	0.4 (1.0)	0.4 (0.5)	0.4 (0.5)	0.4 (0.5)
3	Electro-mechanical Clock; contact stability Contact-dial Reading Acoustical Observation (Change in wireless transmission Time)	100 500 500 (10)	1100	11,000	1,100	110	11 (11.1)	1.1
4	Electro-mechanical Clock; contact stability Contact-dial Reading Oscilloscope Observation (Change in wireless transmission Time)	100 500 10 (10)	610 (620)	6,100 (6,200)	610 (620)	61 (62)	6.1 (6.2)	0.6
5	Electro-mechanical Clock; contact stability Oscilloscope Reading (Change in wireless transmission Time)	100 10 (10)	110 (120)	1,100 (1,200)	110 (120)	11 (12)	1.1 (1.2)	0.1 (0.1)
6	Electronic Counter as Clock; pulse stability Oscilloscope Reading (Change in wireless transmission Time)	0.2 10 (10)	10.2 (20.2)	102 (202)	10.2 (20.2)	1.0 (2.0)	0.1 (0.2)	
7	Electronic Counter as Clock Other Electronic Counter for Reading (Change in wireless transmission Time)	0.2 2 (10)	2.2 (12.2)	22 (122)	2.2 (12.2)	0.2 (1.2)	0.02 (0.12)	

dial reading has to be considered. This applies to both of the methods described above. Usually, the dial is designed to allow a smallest reading in the same order as the limit of acoustical observation, which was stated as  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  sec.

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#### Method 5: Electro-mechanical Clock-Oscilloscope Reading

For measuring minute deviations of frequency, the setting of the clock contact may be left unchanged for the successive readings. In this case, the exact positions of the WWV pulse waves on the trace have to be noted as individual readings. Shift of position between two readings shows difference in time.

In contrast to methods three and four, observation and reading are here the same operation. Therefore, possible error in reading, including observation, can be stated the same as in method four for observation only:  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  sec.

All three methods described thus far contain one more factor of uncertainty, namely the stability of clock contact operation with respect to the oscillator output. A synchronous clock converts the output of the frequency standard under test into steady mechanical rotation. From this rotation, the time pulse required for the check is produced by means of a mechanical contact.

Thus, the pulse is not directly related to a certain period of the oscillator frequency. Changes of friction in bearings and gears of the clock result in slight phase shift of the pulse with respect to the driving frequency. Assuming clock driving frequency of 1 kc, a clock motor phase shift corresponding to one electrical degree of this driving frequency produces an error of  $1/(1000 \times 360)$ , or  $2.8 \times 10^{-6}$  sec. Moreover, pulse phase is subject to the general limits in stability of mechanical contacts.

For a well-designed and built synchronous contact clock, the sum of these variations need not exceed  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  sec.

#### Electronic Counter to Replace Electromechanical Clock

An electronic counter can fulfill the same function as a synchronous clock. It can integrate a great number of cycles of a fixed driving frequency and display certain multiples of cycles.

By contrast to an electro-mechanical clock, the counter delivers pulses at certain multiples of frequency periods as a by-product of its operation. These pulses appear in exact relation to a friction of a period of driving frequency, which is the oscillator frequency itself in this case. Si periority in pulse accuracy of an electronic counter over a synchronous clock for measuring a frequency of 1 mc is in the order of 1,000. Clock contact and phase stability, 10-4 sec,

compared with electronic counter accuracy, 10<sup>-7</sup> sec.)

For precise readings, the 1 sec pulse from the counter must be brought into coincidence with the master time pulse from WWV. Versatile commercial counters permit doing this by means of a gate. Oscillator frequency to be measured is fed into the counter permanently, but initially the gate is closed. When the receiver output is connected to the "Start" input, the first WWV time pulse opens the gate and allows the instrument to start counting. The one-second output pulses then appear immediately after the start front of WWV time pulse. This operation can be done conveniently during the minutes with no audio tone transmission.

The shape of the counter output pulse needs attention to achieve full accuracy of this method. This pulse, used to trigger the oscilloscope sweep, should have a steep front with a rise time in the order of one microsecond. Directly at the unloaded output of the appropriate binary unit, the requirement is fulfilled. However, loading this point with the capacity of a shielded cable would increase the rise time, thereby permitting inevitable small amounts of superimposed hum to influence the instant of triggering. Therefore, it is advisable to employ a buffer amplifier between this output and the trigger input of the oscilloscope. A double-triode amplifier may be located inside the counter cabinet, thus allowing a short unshielded connection to the sensitive binary output.

#### Method 6: Electronic Counter as Clock-Oscilloscope Reading

This method uses an electronic counter as a frequency integrating device. Reading is done on an oscilloscope the same way as described in method five which used electro-mechanical clock contacts.

#### Method 7: Electronic Counter as Clock With Additional Counter for Observation

A further improvement can be achieved by using an additional electronic counter for indication. This counter must have separate inputs for opening and closing the gate, usually designated "Start" and "Stop" inputs.

The time pulse of the clock counter, formerly used to trigger the sweep of the oscilloscope, is now applied to the "Start" input of the indicating counter. Receiver output delivering WWV signals is connected to the "Stop" input. In this arrangement, the front of the clock time pulse opens the gate. The first wave of the WWV pulse following this instant closes the gate. The time between both events, a fraction of a 1 kc wave, is indicated by the counter.

A digital recorder connected to the output of

the indicating counter is convenient. It allows taking an average over a greater number of successive readings, thus improving the accuracy.

#### **Comparison of Methods**

Table 2 presents a compilation of the seven methods described. The factors of uncertainty characterizing each method are listed separately. The sum of these individual factors indicates the total tolerance of reading for the respective method.

As previously explained, methods of measuring frequency against time consist of two readings, one at the start and one at the end of a certain interval of time. The difference between both readings, divided by the time interval, equals the deviation of frequency during this time. Five columns itemize different intervals of time, from 100 sec to one million sec. At the cross points of these columns with the various methods, the accuracy of frequency test can be found.

These results demonstrate that a frequency standard can be tested with the same accuracy using any one of the different methods. The qualitative difference between methods is distinguished by the time interval over which the test has to be carried out to achieve a certain accuracy. For example, method three requires a period of approximately 1,000.000 sec, equal to 11.6 days to attain an accuracy of 1 x 10<sup>-9</sup>. By contrast, only 10,000 sec, or 2.8 hrs, are needed for a test with the same accuracy using method six.

Obviously, shorter test periods are desirable for several reasons. "Slow" methods do not allow measuring short time stability of the frequency standard under test. Temporary failure of power during the period of a test spoils the result. This is more likely to happen during a long test period.

When the master time signal is received by wireless transmission, possible variations in transmission time influence the actual accuracy of each reading. This effect has been described in connection with beat frequency methods. Maximum uncertainty caused by it may be assumed as 10 musec on each reading for methods three to seven, provided that both readings of a test are done either during day or night, and during normal ionospheric conditions.

Figures in brackets ( ) of Table 2 include this factor of uncertainty for wireless transmission.

Actually, limits for this factor are quite different, depending on frequency, distance from transmitter, geographical direction of transmission, and type of terrain in the area of receiver. The value of 10 musec is based on experience in Rochester, N.Y., for transmission of 5 mc from WWV in Washington, D.C. (320 miles).

# Oscilloscope Trace Recording With Polaroid Land Photography

Part 3

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# Tube Phosphors and Filters Special Techniques

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THOUGH LAND film can capture traces on all commonly-used scope phosphors, an engineer is wise to know the effects on his film of different phosphors and filters.

#### **Phosphors and Filters**

Polaroid<sup>®</sup> Land films can be used on all tube phosphors commonly employed for cro work, P-1, P-2, P-5<sup>®</sup>, P-7, P-11, and P-15<sup>®</sup>. Two of these phosphors, P-2 and P-7, have different color outputs in initial phosphorescence and in afterglow.

The light output of some phosphors makes them better suited for photography than others. For example, the P-11 and the P-15 are the most efficient for recording high speed transients. Of the phosphors intended primarily for visual work, the P-1 and P-2 are effective for stationary patterns and low speed transients.

Filters—green, amber, and blue—are commonly furnished by cro manufacturers to separate the initial fluorescence and afterglow and to aid the observer during extended observations. A blue filter is used to eliminate cathode glow on unaluminized phosphors and for cutting out the long-persistence yellow afterglow on P-2 and P-7 traces.

In general, a filter absorbs a considerable amount of light and can cause slight degradation in image quality from surface interreflection. A standard blue filter, for example, will require an additional exposure of from 2 to 2-1/2 stops.

A brief description of tube phosphors, their use with filters, and their application in photography are presented here and summarized in Table 4.† P-1. This phosphor is the most commonly used in oscilloscopes. Its green output is efficient in recording repetitive traces. It is not recommended for recording high speed transients. Green filter is frequently used for viewing but is not beneficial for photo recording.

P-2. Versatile, especially for tubes with high accelerating potentials. Has initial fluorescence and afterglow. Blue-green fluorescence is efficient for photography. Blue filter can be used to eliminate the yellow afterglow which can cause blurring with moving traces. Before taking pictures, it is necessary to remove any amber filter used for long persistence observations, because the initial fluorescence is most actinic for recording. Not recommended for recording high speed transients. P-5. This has a blue trace of very short persistence. It may be used for photographing high speed transients, though not as efficient as the P-11 phosphor. Blue filters are commonly used for visual work but not for photographic work. P-7. Similar to the P-2, with an initial blue fluores-

P-7. Similar to the P-2, with an initial blue fluorescence and yellow afterglow. P-7 has greater persistence at lower accelerating potentials and can

be used for seeing as well as recording stationary patterns and low speed transients.†† Relatively low fluorescent output and high afterglow make this phosphor not as desirable as P-2 for photo recording of transients. Blue filter can be used for recording only the initial actinic blue fluorescence. Amber filter (for visual comfort) should be removed before photo recording.

P-11. Highest actinic output with short persistence makes it most valuable for recording steady state patterns as well as high speed transients. Blue filter is used for visual work but not for photographic purposes except to reduce cathode glow fog.

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P-15. Common in television and kinescope recording. Has blue-green output almost as efficient as the P-11 for photography. Usually more pleasing than the P-11 because of its green color. A green filter improves visual contrast but has no benefit for photo recording.

A double image, as seen in Fig. 14, is sometimes recorded by cameras using beam splitter mirrors with P-1 or P-2 phosphors. Since these mirrors are designed primarily for P-11 phosphors with blue output, some of the green light from P-1 and P-2 phosphors is reflected from both surfaces of the mirror. A blue filter will eliminate the double trace. This double image usually occurs only with excessive exposure.

<sup>\*</sup>Polaroid is a registered trademark of the Polaroid Corporation.

<sup>••</sup>P-5 and P-15 are usually available only on special order.

<sup>†</sup>Source: DuMont Industrial Cathode Ray Tubes, Industrial Tube Sales Dept., DuMont Laboratories, Passaic, N.J., 1956.

the P-2 is a mixed phosphor screen while the P-7 is a cascaded screen with a blue fluorescent layer and a yellow persistence layer.

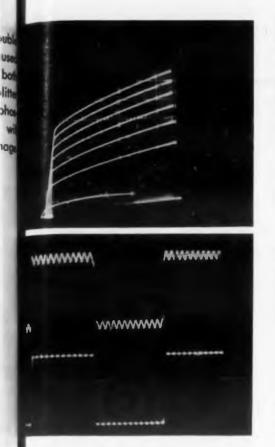


Fig. 15. (above) Vertical pips are added for time interval calibration in upper trace. Lower trace has Z-axis signal modulating intensity for time calibration.

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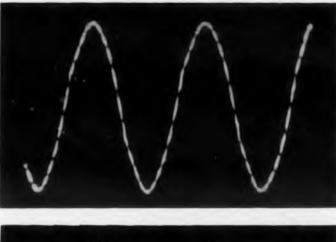
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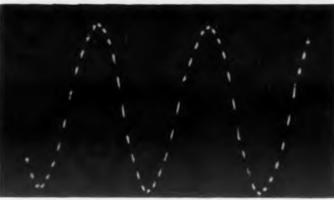


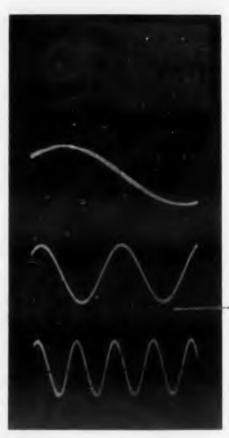
Fig. 16. Upper trace has insufficient Z-axis amplitude. Lower trace has picture improved by lowering intensity setting and increasing development time.



(Courtesy AVCO Corp.)

Fig. 17. A convenient technique for recording long time-base sweeps.

Time base is presented as a raster with Z-axis markers every 10 microseconds.



**Fig. 18.** Data card exposed to identify trace recordings at f/5.6 and 1/2 sec on Type 47 film.

#### **Special Techniques**

It is often useful to record markers, graticules, data charts, and calibrated wave forms on the same picture as the trace recording. These records are made by exposing both the trace and data at the same time or by exposing the film with the extra information before or after recording the trace itself.

Calibration Markers. For adding time information to a trace, calibration markers are usually either superimposed on the vertical axis of the trace or they are used to modulate the intensity of the trace. Examples are shown in Fig. 15.

If the intensity modulation signal is not strong enough to provide noticeable effect on the photograph, improvement is possible by reducing the ero intensity and increasing the contrast of the Land print through increased development to two or three minutes, as shown in Fig. 16.

Another interesting technique for using calibration markers is indicated in Fig. 17, where an especially long time base had to be recorded in one picture. The time base is converted into a rater which is displayed on the crt face with time markers.

G aticules. Illuminated graticules can usually be re-orded with the trace on a single exposure by

turning up the graticule scale brightness and lowering the cathode ray tube intensity.

With some oscilloscopes it is more convenient to make two separate exposures to record both the graticule and the trace. This is especially true when one does not wish to change the trace intensity from a convenient viewing brightness level.

One should first record the graticule with its illumination turned up and the crt intensity turned down. One should then turn off the graticule and record the trace with cro intensity at normal setting.

Where there is a choice between white or colored graticule illumination, best results are in photographing white light illumination.

Care should always be taken that the graticule is in sharp focus because graticule and trace are not in the same object plane. One should keep camera apertures to a minimum and make sure that the glass or plastic plate is positioned so the lines face the crt screen and are flush against it. Data Charts. Some oscilloscope cameras have a ground glass surface on which identifying data can be written with pencil. Internal illumination exposes this data on the film. The data card, as shown in Fig. 18, required another exposure.

The intensity of the trace and of the graticule scale must be turned down before exposing the

data card to avoid double exposure of the trace. For Type 47 film, an exposure of about 1/2 second at f/5.6 is sufficient with the light emitted from two No. 112 lamps driven by a 1-1/2 v battery. (Du Mont type 302 camera).

Continuously Varying Patterns. A continuously varying pattern often can be "stopped" for study only by a photograph. When using a cro with built-in beam gate, the driven sweep and external sync controls permit triggering the gate for one sweep during a continuously varying pattern without difficulty. When scopes are used without built-in beam gates, the shutter speed can sometimes be adjusted to an "open" time which is short relative to the rate of change of the pattern.

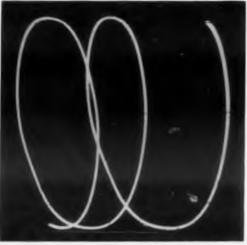
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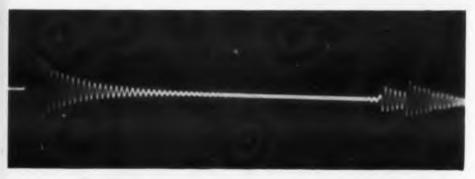
Radar Displays. Recording the high intensity PPI scope radar returns is very simple and straightforward. Usually a long persistence P-7 phosphor is employed. With an aperture setting at f/11 or f/16, and the shutter open on "B" or "T," a test exposure or two will establish the proper intensity level of both the radar display and the azimuth scale setting. Care should be taken to record

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**Fig. 20.** Cathode glow fogging from unaluminized phosphor resulted from shutter being left open for eight minutes waiting for a random transient.

Fig. 21. Inadequate mounting and bright ambient light permitted light to leak into camera, causing fog. Camera shutter was left open two minutes to await random transient.



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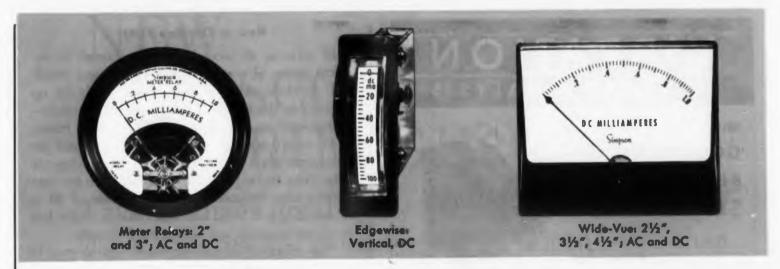
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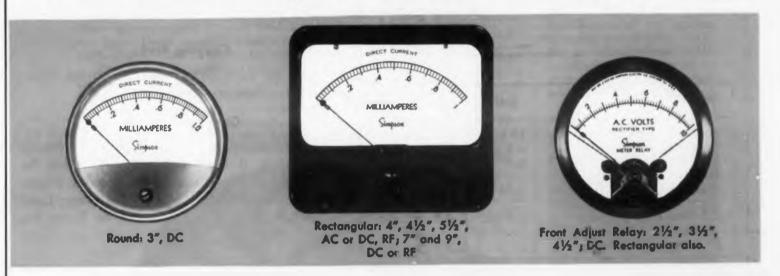
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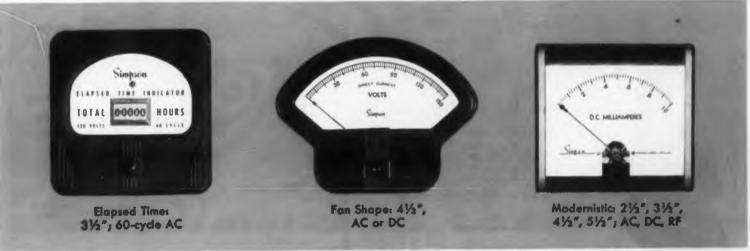
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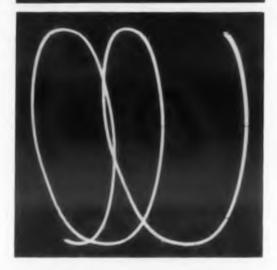


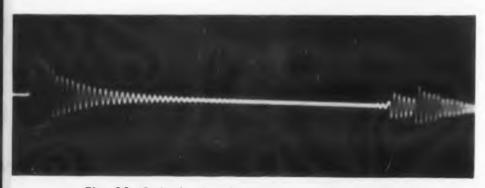
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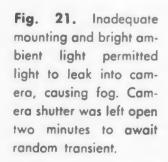


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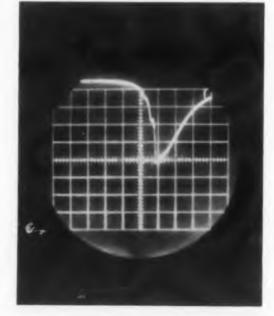
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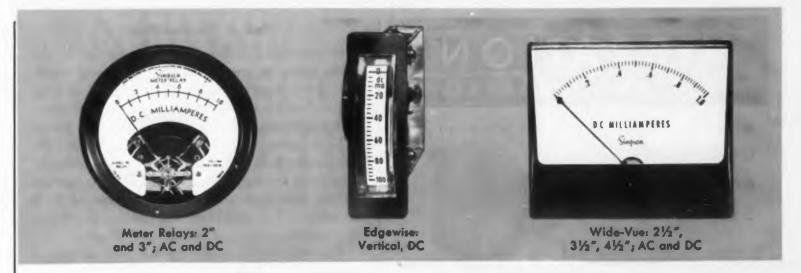
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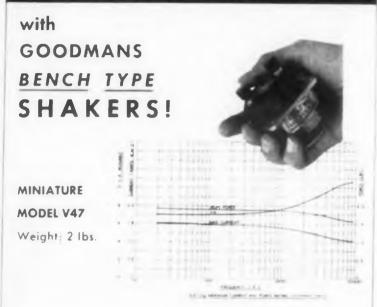
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SPECIFICATIONS	V47	390A
Maximum Frequency	10 kc s	4 kc s
Mass of Moving System	6.5 gm	0.16 lb
Static Force Factor (Ib A) Maximum Continuous rms	0.9	5.0
Current at 500 cy. (Uncooled) (Air-Cooled)	1.5A	1.75A 3.50A
D.C. Resistance (Ohms)	2.5	6.4



#### How to Develop Prints

In general, 45 seconds is long enough to develop prints of cro traces. The 60-second standard development time serves only to build up contrast in the middle grav areas of the picturea characteristic not important for most cro traces.

To record complex detail, a full 60-second development time is recommended when adequate brightness and exposure are available. To increase writing rate, reduced development time of 20 to 30 seconds will help, but will cause a slight loss in trace sharpness and background density.

The effect of overdevelopment, up to two to three minutes, will increase contrast, increase the blackness of the background and eliminate some details in high writing rate portions of a trace. Occasionally, faint, undesirable, high-frequency noise can be eliminated from a photograph by overdevelopment.

#### Copying Prints

There are three direct ways of copying Polaroid prints. These are outlined in Table 5.

#### Care and Storage

For permanent retention of important experimental data, it is essential that all prints be coated and all transparencies be treated in Dippit after removal from the camera. In storage, Land prints and transparencies should be given the

same careful attention as any photographic material. The best way to store both prints and tranparencies is in acetate sleeves.

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Land prints should not be glued or taped directly to other sheets. Glue and bonding agents in tape often contain harmful chemicals which may deteriorate a photographic image.

Polaroid transparencies can be safely handled and stored in regular Polaroid slide mounts. For even further protection, the transparencies can be placed between conventional lantern-slide cover glass. Glass is essential if transparencies are to be used in projectors with inadequate cooling.

One should not write directly on the image surface or back of a Polaroid print, either before or after coating with any material. Writing can crack the coating. One may write on margins or tabs with grease pencil or ballpoint pen.

#### **Projection Film**

Polaroid Land Projection film produces a positive transparency from the back of the camera in much the same way a positive print is produced. However, the handling and the use of the film is quite different from that of the positive print.

Standard developing time is two minutes, but as with paper prints, one can remove them from the camera in less than the standard time for most cro work. One minute after the picture is taken a transparency can be pulled out of the back of

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Another useful feature of the transparency film is that one does not have to wait for development time between pictures. As soon as a picture is taken, a frame can be advanced; another picture in be taken and the tab advanced again, so that the incompletely developed transparency is pulled through the slot-opening of the camera.

It must be kept in mind that the transparency has to stay in place on the negative-positive sandwich for at least one minute. Removing it in a shorter time interval usually causes some of the image to be left behind on the negative.

Accurate measurements of time intervals, amplitudes, and slopes can be made from a projected transparency more readily than they can be made from a print. Another technique is to make projection enlargements from a transparency onto matte surface photographic paper. Measurements again are traced from this enlargement.

The emulsion layer of the transparency is wet and delicate before it is placed in a Dippit. Therefore, it provides a good surface for writing information directly with a sharp instrument such as a pen point or pencil. The transparency is then placed in a Dippit as usual.

One of the most desirable features of the transparencies is the ease with which they can be used for illustrating a small number of copies of report papers. Any diazotype machine (such as Ozalid, Tecnifax, Bruning, Pease, etc.) can be used.

By attaching a transparency directly to the translucent original of a report page for diazotype reproduction, both the printed information as well as the illustration can be produced in one pass through the machine.

Here's how it is done: First, information is typed onto a high quality vellum tracing paper, producing a master sheet. (Some manufacturers of diazo-type papers provide papers ideal for this purpose.) For best results one should use an electric typewriter. Unless an acetate ribbon is in the typewriter to give deep, black, sharp letters, the master sheet should be backed with a soft carbon paper.

The Polaroid transparency is then taped on the back of the master sheet in the open area where the illustration is to appear. For a "right-reading" reproduction, the transparency must go emulsion ide down. (Or, if the oscilloscope trace is reversed by the camera, one should place the emulsion side up to obtain a "right-reading" trace.) Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company's Fape No. 810 can be used for taping the transparency down to eliminate dark borders.

The master sheet is placed face up on top of the liazo-sensitized paper and fed into the machine. Any inexpensive standard blue-line or black-line liazo-sensitized paper can be used.

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	1-1020	60" arm	100 lbs. dead weight	10,000	600	.1 to 250 g's	12" cube
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How To Specify High Level Audio Transformers

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TWO TRANSFORMERS may fully meet what is apparently a complete specification for the transformer. But they may react differently in a specific application on which complete details were not given to the transformer designers. This happens when engineers, who would ordinarily know better, forget pertinent factors when specifying transformers.

These factors cover particularly modulation transformers for wide-range broadcast transmitters and special-purpose communications transmitters—used for telemetering and high-speed facsimile transmission. It also includes high-level output transformers used in sonar, ultrasonics, vibration machines and sound systems, and variable high-cycle power applications.

One problem in specifying transformers is terminology. It is customary to think of audio transformers in terms of impedances and ratios. But a high-level audio transformer is a power transformer. The designer must reduce audio terms to voltages and turns ratios and produce a product made of iron and copper wire.

#### **Physical Aspects**

With respect to the physical environment, the designer must know the extremes of temperature to be met and duration. Other considerations include shock and vibration and requirements of magnitude, humidity, corrosive atmosphere and altitude.

When space and weight are not limiting parameters, tight low-frequency response specifications can be easily met by oversize construction. These transformers are often much larger than equivalent power transformers. The trend, however, is toward smaller units because of improvements in core materials, insulation and general know-how. It is now possible to meet almost any desired performance parameters without oversize construction.

#### What Type Construction?

The designer should know if the buyer prefers a specific type of construction (cased or open type) or if he is free to use the best design for the specific application.

When space is at a premium and power handling requirements are less than 2 kw, the designer might specify a cased transformer with oil or oil silicol solution as the insulation and heat conductor. Since oil, when not in motion, is not a good coolant, an oil-based solid organic potting compound is often used in this class of transformer. The compound provides oil insulation, yet because of direct contact through a mineral material, effective heat conduction is achieved.

For handling higher power and where space is available, dry-type transformers are often specified. Spacings are large enough to permit application of relatively high voltages without danger of breakdown. The trend in dry-type transformer construction is toward encapsulation. The coils are impregnated in resin or varnish. Epoxy-resin and caps prevent entrance of moisture and provide physical protection.

When voltages in the order of 6000 v dc and higher are to be encountered, oil-filled construction is desirable to provide adequate insulation for high peak voltages. Also, because of the presence of high frequency audio at high voltages, oil is needed to keep the insulation from overheating owing to dielectric losses.

A typical spec sheet in which the buyer notes his desired objectives and mandatory requirements is shown in Table 1.

#### Signal and Duty Cycle Important

The transformer design engineer must also know what kind of a signal is to be handled. A smaller transformer, for example, will suffice if the signal has a complex and varying waveform, as in music or speech, than when the signal is a sine

wave of higher average power. More power must be handled by an output transformer in a vibration machine than in a high-power sound system, because of the character of the waveform. The The

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Applicable MIL specs (if any)

Grade Class

Ambient temperature range C,+ C

Life expectancy hours

Shock Vibration

Altitude Feet. Temp. rise C.

Duty cycle

Is electrostatic shield required?

Type of construction

Type of mounting Maximum dimensions

Weight limit objective

Kind of terminals

Other data

**Table 1.** In specifying transformers the above physical considerations should be spelled out.

a broadcast transmitter, the duty cycle requireents will be far more severe than in a comrunications transmitter operated on a push-to-

#### **Electrical Aspects**

It is vital for the transformer design engineer to lave full details of the electrical environment. The character of the load must be known, how varies and to what extent.

The performance of a modulation transformer, for example, is affected by the load, which is generally a radio frequency amplifier. High-frequency response can be affected by the shunt capacitance imposed on the modulator by the rf tank tuning capacitors, by-pass and blocking capacitors, and the capacitance of the rf amplifier tube. This shunt capacitance can vary, depending upon the tuning of the transmitter. At the low end of the transmitter's tuning range, more capacitance to ground customarily exists because of the settings of the tuning condensers. At the high end, the reverse is true. An rf choke in the circuit may cause slight attenuation of higher audio frequencies. Thus it is important for the designer to know what shunt capacitance and series inductance the load will impose.

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#### **Compensation Possible**

If the designer is aware of these factors, he can provide compensation in the transformer to offset their effects. Leakage inductance, for example, can be calculated and used to advantage in offsetting capacitance in the load.

When a transformer is fed through a capacitor into a reactor, as in a transmitter, the shunt reactance of the transformer should be related to the inductance of the reactor. Thus the designer needs data on the reactor, the values of the coupling, by-pass and filter capacitors in the associated circuits and the load. Their values may have a significant effect on the transformer's frequency-response curve.

In the case of an output or modulation transformer, the plate voltage applied to the tubes must be specified. Not just the optimum value, but the minimum and maximum limits between which satisfactory performance is required. While the equipment designer may think of normal voltage conditions, allowance should be made for over and under voltage conditions that could occur in the field. It may be necessary to deliver more audio power under high-voltage conditions to achieve 100 per cent modulation in a transmitter.

#### **Turns Ratio Figured**

Dealing with voltages and power, the transformer designer must know what turns ratio to provide. He takes into consideration peak voltages cross the entire primary (plate-to-plate) as well

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	Performance Specific		
Transmitter classification — Standar			
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With resistive load of		ohms plate	to plate (objective
Bias volts	Peak input volts	per grid	
Final amplifier. DC volts	DC current_	am	p, ±
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RF chokemh Secon	ndary Series Capaci	itor	μfσ
Modulation reactor rating,	henry	amp	dc volt
Final filter capacitor: Modulator.	μfd; 1	TF amp	μfα
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Leakage ind. half primary (with secondary sho	orted) min	mh, max.	mh.
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Reflected impedance peaks: (1)cpsc	ohms (2)kc_	ohms (3)	kcohms
Receiving dielectric tests: Prim. & Sec. to ground	d		kv RAC*
Primary to secondary:kv ac. 60	cps.	*Rectified AC	. RMS Value.
Marking: Primary, plates (1-3) Centertap (2) Secondary; high end (5) to R.F. load.			er only.)
Tan impedance ratio (half nrim). I =	p ohms	p ohms	p ohms

**Table 3.** The transformer design engineer is the best qualified person to specify what tests should be made on transformers. He fills out a sheet, like this, outlining production test specifications.

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In a class B modulator or power amplifier opering at 60 to 70 per cent efficiency, the rms voltage developed across the full primary is almost the tame as the dc plate voltage. At 66 per cent efficiency, this voltage is 94 per cent of the dc plate oltage. Peak voltages are considerably higher and should be taken into account, particularly in the case of transmitters where the 5000-v peaks of a 500-v signal may cause overmodulation.

It is undesirable to have any substantial portion of the windings unused. Where more than 10 per cent of the over-all windings are unused, performance is severely handicapped. If taps are required and part of a winding is unused, it is necessary to make the transformer bigger to offset degradation of performance. It is not feasible to design a transformer that will provide the best performance for a large number of different conditions. Taps, when necessary, should be provided only for minor adjustment of ratio.

#### Some Distortion Unavoidable

The distortion limit objectives are customarily specified. Even when a pure resistive load is used, some distortion will result. While it is not produced by a properly designed transformer, distortion may be in the circuit.

While it is not necessary for the designer to know what tubes are to be used, this data is generally wanted to double check the other information received. Bias and peak grid voltages are also of importance to him as supplemental information.

Since it is practical to build transformers that provide a constant impedance reflected load within  $\pm 10$  per cent or better, with high power factor over wide frequency range, these requirements should be spelled out in the specification. Heretofore the scientific feasibility of this has not been generally recognized.

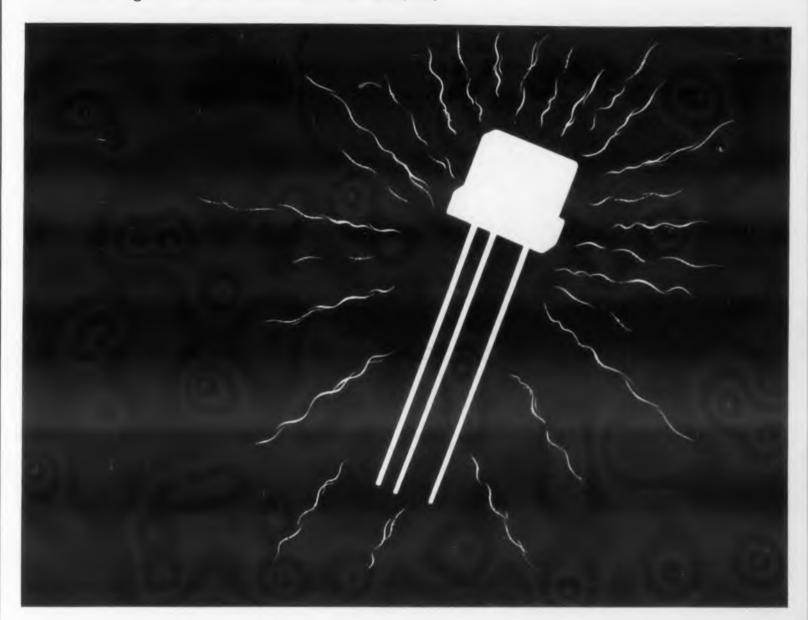
A typical spec sheet giving the electrical environment data, filled in by the buyer, is shown in Table 2.

#### **Tips on Testing Transformers**

While it is the responsibility of the transformer maker to ensure that his product meet the requirements of applicable specifications, some buyers stipulate what tests should be made. Sometimes these test specifications are inadequate, too trict or just plain inept.

A transformer should be subjected to tests that determine its usefulness in its intended application. Arbitrary test specifications may result in a transformer considerably larger and more costly than required. Only the transformer designer lnows how the windings are interleaved. He is the only one qualified to determine what kind of hipot tests should be made. A typical production test pec made up by the design engineer after detigning the transformers is shown in Table 3.

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## Voltage Controls This Variable Bandwidth Amplifier

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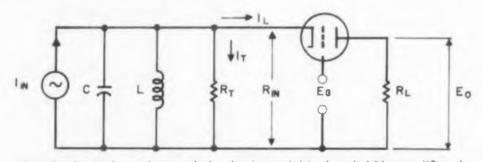


Fig. 1. Equivalent circuit of the basic variable bandwidth amplifier, including circuit losses.

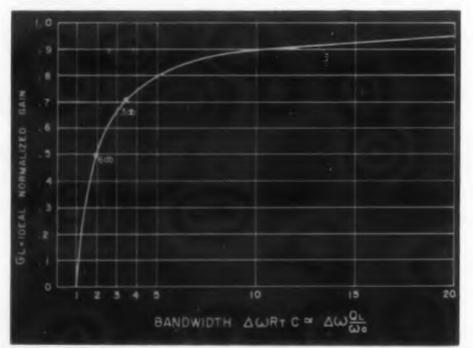
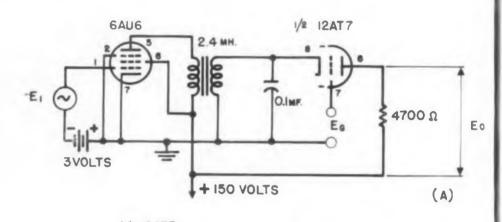
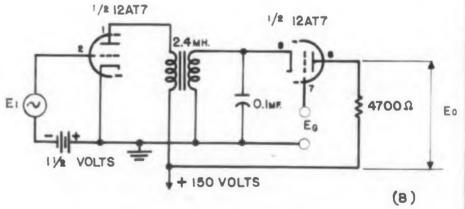
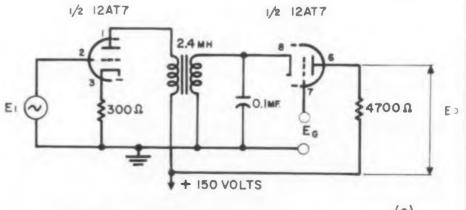


Fig. 2. Ideal normalized gain vs bandwidth for the variable bandwidth amplifier.

Fig. 3. Three typical VBA circuits. (A). A pentode serves as an ideal current source. (B). A simpler circuit with quality almost matching that of the pentode circuit. (C). An improved version of the circuit in (B).







TYPICAL VTBA CIRCUITS

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ANDWIDTH of this amplifier varies as a function of control voltage. Applicable from a dio through very high frequencies, this simple c cuit may also be used to alter the bandwidth a nonlinear servo system with respect to a d rivative of the output, thus improving system stability.

The basic VBA schematic is shown in Fig. 1. The 3 db bandwidth of the amplifier is that of the timed circuit:

$$\Delta\omega = 2 \pi \Delta f = \frac{1}{RC} \tag{1}$$

Since

$$R_{in} \cong \frac{1}{G_m}$$

for a grounded grid amplifier, Eq. (1) becomes:

$$\Delta \omega \cong \frac{G_m}{C}$$
 (2)

#### Bandwidth Varied By Small Bias Voltage

The bandwidth is reduced by increasing the tube bias,  $E_g$ . Losses in the inductance cause a loading effect limiting the minimum bandwidth and reducing the gain as  $R_{in}$  increases. These effects may be calculated as:

$$G_i$$
 = normalized gain at resonance =  $\frac{i_L}{i_{in}}$  =  $\frac{R_t}{R_t + R_{in}}$  (3)

 $(R_t$  is the effective parallel resistance of the losses in the inductance).

$$\Delta \omega = 2 \pi \Delta f = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{R_t R_{in}}{R_t + R_{in}}\right) C}$$
Combining Eqs. (2) and (3):

$$G_i = 1 - \frac{1}{\Delta \omega R_s C} \tag{5}$$

Knowing  $R_t$  and C, the gain for any bandwidth may be found using Eq. (5), which is plotted in Fig. 2. Note from Eq. 3 and Fig. 2 that gain is reduced 6 db when  $R_t = R_{in}$ .

The three variations of VBA in Fig. 3 were tested. Rt was 10,000 ohms for all three. Circuit 3A, a pentode, is nearly an ideal current source. The previously derived equations apply directly, and the overall gain is:

$$\frac{e_o}{e_i}\bigg|_{T} = -G_m R_L G_i \tag{6}$$

where  $G_m$  is the transconductance of the pentode. Measured results are given in Figs. 4, 5, and 6.

Circuit 3B is simpler, without appreciable loss in quality, as shown in Figs. 4, 5 and 6. The voltare gain, assuming infinite Q<sub>1</sub>, is:

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$$\frac{e_s}{e_t} \bigg|_{r} = -\frac{\mu_1 (1 + \mu_2) R_L}{R_{p1} (1 + \mu_2) + R_{p2} + R_L}$$
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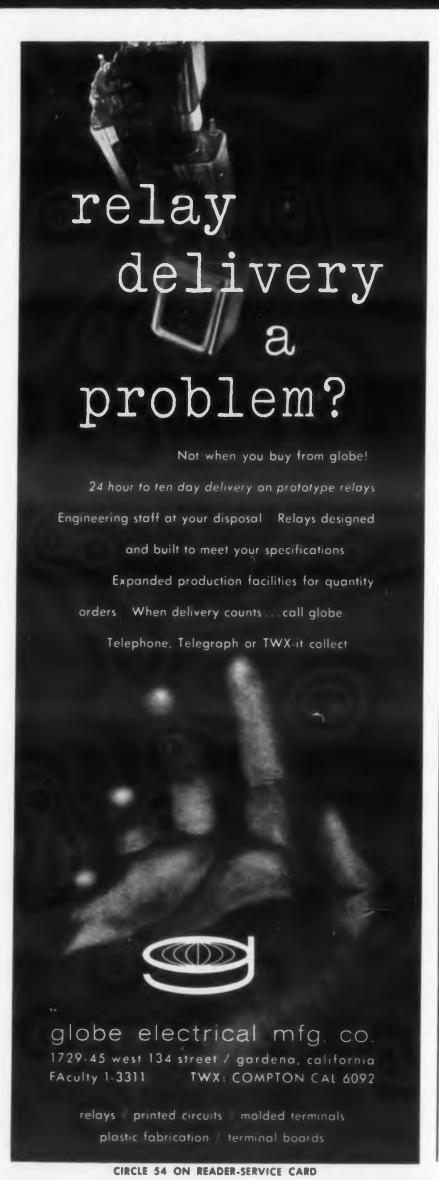


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Subscripts 1 and 2 refer to triodes 1 and 2 respectively. Choosing circuit parameters such that:

$$R_{p1} (1 + \mu_2) >> R_{p2} + R_L$$

then:

$$\frac{e_{\nu}}{e_{\nu}} = -G_{m1}R_{L}$$

Response curves for various values of tuning bias are given in Fig. 6.

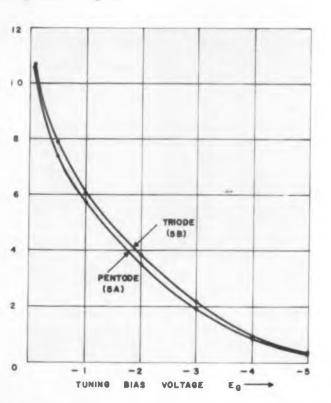


Fig. 4. Bandwidth vs tuning bias for the circuits of Figs. 3A and 3B.

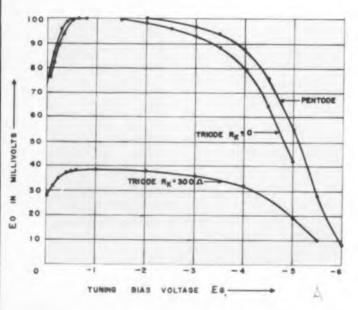


Fig. 5. Output at resonance for the circuits of Fig. 3.

The response curve of 3B may sometimes be improved by adding cathode resistor  $R_k$  as in Fig. 3C. The resistor is not justified in this case, since it decreases gain, with little improvement in response.

This method is useful when a tube with low plate resistance must be used, since current feedback increases output impedance. The gain. assuming infinite  $Q_1$ , is:

$$\frac{e_s}{e_i} \bigg|_{r} = \frac{\mu_1 (1 + \mu_2) R_L}{(1 + \mu_2) R_{p1} + R_k (1 + \mu_1) + R_{p2} + R_L}$$
If

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$$(1+\mu_1)[R_{p1}+R_k(1+\mu_1)] >> R_{p1}+R_L$$

then:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} e_{e} \\ \hline e_{i} \end{array} _{r} \cong \frac{\mu_{1} R_{1}}{R_{p1} + R_{k} (1 + \mu_{1})}$$

which implies that the gain at resonance is dependent on the parameters of the first triode only

#### **Useful In Low Noise Applications**

A modified Wallman cascode lends itself to the VBA principle, as in Fig. 7. This circuit is significant because the cascode is often used in the first stage of i-f amplifiers. The noise figure of the VBA is not noticeably affected till the bias decreases the gain of the cascode beyond the 3 db point.

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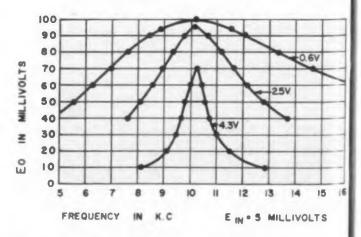
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A low pass VBA is shown in Fig. 8, functioning as a resistive shunt across the plate capacitor. In this case, the dc level of  $E_o$  is affected, therefore the dc plate voltage of the pentode must be confined within the limits over which it acts as a current source. This reduces the useful bandwidth



**Fig. 6.** Response of the circuit in Fig. 3B at three values of E<sub>g</sub>.

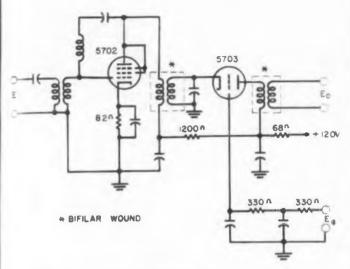


Fig. 7. Modified Wallman cascode as a VBA.

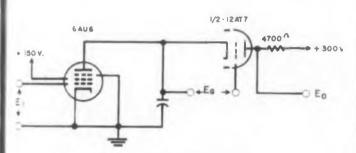


Fig. 8. A low pass VBA.

to approximately a three to one range.

#### Design Procedure

Given the cascode of Fig. 7 with an i-f frequency of 30 mc. The tube used has a minimum  $R_{in}$  of 300 ohms.

The desired bandwidths are one mc minimum, and ten mc maximum, with 3 db maximum change over the tuning range.

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$$C \le \frac{1}{2\pi (\max \Delta f) (R_{in} \min)} \le \frac{10^{-6}}{2\pi (10) 300}$$
  
= 53\mu\mu\mu f or less

From Fig. 2:

$$\Delta \omega R_t C = \Delta \omega \frac{Q_1}{\omega_0} \ge 3.42$$

Hence:

$$Q_1 \ge 3.42 \frac{30 (10^{6})}{1 (10^{6})} = 105 \text{ minimum}$$

Suitable values are:

$$C = 10 \mu \mu f$$
  $L = 2.8 \mu h$   $Q > 105$ 

(C is the total capacity, including stray and interestorde capacities). The rest of the circuit is designed as if it were a conventional cascode.

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# Picking a Potentiometer:

? Film or Vir

A DESIGN ENGINEER specifying potentiometers can use either a wirewound or film unit. Which should he choose? A look at the record will help the careful engineer explore the advantages and disadvantages of each.

In performance, the carbon film potentiometer is better than the wirewound, as shown in the accompanying table. This is a result of the configuration and construction of the film unit. But cost must be considered, too: the film unit is more expensive. So let us compare further.

Although the film potentiometer has a higher degree of accuracy and reliability, the wirewound shows a smaller variation with temperature and humidity. Special resistance wire alloys are available with a resistance change of not more than  $\pm 0.002$  per cent per degree F.

Carbon film units have a temperature coefficient of about -0.01 per cent per degree F. In con-

tinuous 100 per cent relative humidity, wirewound potentiometers have shown a resistance decrease of about 5 per cent. Carbon film units have shown a resistance increase of about 25 per cent.

In wirewound units, the resistance change with humidity is usually accompanied by a change in linearity and resolution because of internal shorting of windings. In carbon film units there is no deteriority of linearity or resolution with humidity.

#### Construction of Wirewound Pots

The wirewound potentiometer is made by winding a fine insulated resistance wire around a straight insulated metal core. In a non-linear unit, the core is of non-uniform cross section. The turns may be spaced and the wire diameter varied.

The wound core is left straight in a translatory unit. It is bent in circular form in a rotary unit. And it is bent in a helical shape in a multi-turn potentiometer. The wiper traverses the length of the wound core in a direction transverse to the windings.

The potentiometer output voltage thus varies in a series of small steps, corresponding to the wiper contact, with successive turns of wire. This resolution ability deteriorates in nonlinear units where varying wire diameter or spacing is used.

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#### **Shortcomings of Wirewound Pots**

Shortcomings in wirewound potentiometers that result from their construction are:

- Integrity of resistance element depends on hair-like wire.
- High speed is limited by wiper bounce.
- Shorted turns develop because of fragility of insulation.
- Linearity is limited by the discrete nature of winding.
- Resistance values obtainable are limited by wire size.
- Output becomes noisy with running.
- Wiper riding transverse to winding is abrasive and shortens life.
- Windings are reactive. They are capacitive to the core and inductive to each other, producing errors when excited with high frequency voltages.
- Corrosive products produce shorted turns, opens in the output, poor shelf life.

#### Construction of Film Pots

The film potentiometer is made by applying thin, continuous resistive film to a base having a shape compatible with the types of wiper motion. It is straight for translatory motion, circular for rotary, single-turn or multi-turn motion. The film

A Comparison of Film And Wirewound Potentiometers

	LINEAR POT	ENTIOMETER	SINE-COSINE POTENTIOMETER		
Characteristic	Wirewound	Carbon Film	Wirewound	Carbon Film	
Case Diameter	2 in.	2 in.	2 in.	2 in.	
Resistance	10 K	10 K	10 K/quadrant	10 K/quadrant	
Linearity (best)	0.075%	0.03%	0.25%	0.1%	
Resolution	0.05%	0.001%	0.1%	0.001%	
Starting Torque	0.75 ozin.	0.30 ozin.	2 ozin.	0.7 ozin.	
Operating Speed (max.)	300 rpm	2000 rpm	150 rpm	2000 rpm	
Life (at 100 rpm)	2 x 10° rev.	20 x 10° rev.	1 x 106 rev.	20 x 10° rev.	

erbert H. Adise is the president of e largest producer of film potentiomers in this country. He believes that no many engineers specify wirewound potentiometers more out of habit than analysis. In this article he hopes to stimulate a closer look at the film potentiometer.

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is permanently bonded to the base and presents to the wiper a continuous, smooth, low-friction surface. Resolution is virtually infinite. The only resolution effects are secondary ones introduced by wiper spring and play in shaft bearings. The resolution is independent of the nature of the output, being the same for linear and nonlinear types.

Film potentiometers are made with metal or carbon films. To achieve useful values of resistance, the thickness of metal films is so small as to limit film life. The carbon film unit is consequently much more widely used and has been developed to a high state. Since it is representative of film potentiometers, carbon film characteristics are discussed below.

By control of film properties—thickness, width, and resistivity—very high linearities or nonlinear conformities may be achieved. In effect, carbon film may be regarded as a surface across which a potential difference is applied. A family of orthogonal equipotential, current flow lines exist in the film, uniformly spaced for the linear case. The wiper serves as a pick-off, indicating the potential at its contact point with the film.

Wear, which occurs along a current flow line, does not disturb the field nor impair accuracy. At the end of the film's life, wear does, however, manifest itself in increasingly erratic output voltage that ultimately shows opens. Relocating the wiper path restores potentiometer output to it original quality.

The carbon film potentiometer offers flexibility, because of the ease with which the "resolutionless" lm may be deposited in narrow or irregular paths.

#### Film Pots Give Failure Warning

The film potentiometer has an "early warning" characteristic and indicates impending failure. The wirewound unit does not.

In the wirewound pot, the transverse-wound fine wire is subjected to maximum wiper abrasion and local heating because of the construction developed by wear.

The failure of any one of the thousands of turns of wire results in an open winding. Failure in the wirewound unit is sudden and catastrophic.

The resistance element of the carbon film potentiometer, on the other hand, can be likened to a single slidewire. It has a thickness several times that of the wire used in wirewound units and has at least 100 times the width. The wiper path occupies but a small fraction of the width. Thus, as the carbon film wears under the abrasion of the sliding wiper, the current-carrying capacity of the resistance element is not limited. Wearing does not develop any hot spots. As the element thickness is reduced from wear under the wiper, the voltage output begins to show local irregularity. With continued wear, this irregularity becomes more pronounced.

At the extreme end of life, irregularities may appear as loss of signal (opens). But these will be localized. Thus with carbon film units there is a gradual deterioration in output that gives the "early warning" of system failure.

#### **How Surge Currents Affect Pots**

It is not unusual that the failure of some other component in a system will produce an imbalance in the electrical circuit—resulting in a surge of current through the wiper of a potentiometer. In the wirewound unit, the turn of wire immediately under the slider at that instant overheats, softens, melts and tears. The winding opens, and the unit is completely inoperative.

With the carbon film potentiometer, this surge of current causes only local carbonization of the film. The remainder of the film is unaffected. The carbon film unit continues to operate normally with an irregular output appearing only when the wiper traverses the locally burned spot.

Because of its higher resistance stability, the wirewound unit may be more suitable for use as a rheostat where a close tolerance is required on resistance variation with shaft position. A typical application of the precision rheostat is its use in an RC network for frequency control.

For instrumentation and control applications, where the potentiometer is used as a voltage divider and the resistance stability is of secondary importance, the carbon film unit may be the preferred component because of its better accuracy and reliability. • •



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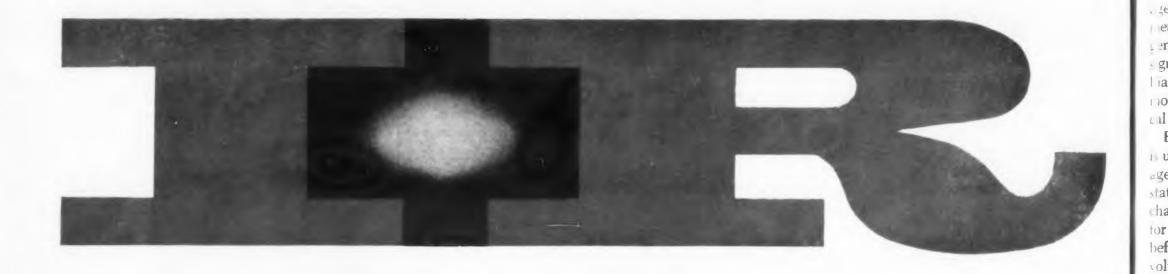


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## **Infrared Measurement and Calibration**



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Many new techniques for making infrared measurements are being developed. In this article some of the present measuring methods and equipment in use are discussed.



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N INFRARED system design and synthesis, a knowledge of detector characteristics is of great importance. The system designer often has to utilize their capabilities to the limit. Uniformity of detector characteristics has improved during the past few years but considerable variation still exists among individual detectors of the same nominal performance. Because of these two facts, the designer often finds it advisable to make measurements on individual detectors. For most system applications, the following characteristics are of most interest: (1) optimum bias; (2) time constant; (3) responsitivity; (4) noise spectrum; and (5) spectral response.

The order in which the measurements are made is important. For example, optimum bias should be determined before the noise spectrum is measured. It is also convenient if the frequency of the radiation input signal does not exceed the time constant limitations of the detector. Data on spectral response may be taken when convenient but must be known before the Noise Equivalent Input can be calculated.

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#### **Optimum Bias**

Many infrared detectors require some form of bias supply. A typical circuit is shown in Fig. 1. The optimum bias is that value of bias current through the detector which maximizes the signal-to-noise output from the detector-load resistor network. To determine this value for photoconductive cells, a radiation signal whose magnitude does not need to be known as long as it does no saturate the detector is put into the detector. The output signal is then measured for increasing values of bias current. Usually the signal output increases approximately linearly and then flatten out. Next, with no signal applied, the noise volt

easured as a function of bias current. This will enerally increase with bias also. Computing the gnal-to-noise ratio and plotting as a function of has will generally result in a broad maximum for nost detectors. Fig. 2 shows the results of a typical optimum bias measurement on a PbS cell.

For thermistor detectors, a different procedure used. This consists of determining the peak voltage attainable across the detector under steady state thermal conditions. That is, after each change in bias is made, sufficient time is allowed for a new thermal equilibrium to be established before measurements are made. Fig. 3 is a typical voltage-current curve of a thermistor. The peak voltage is determined by Eq. 1.

$$\frac{V_P}{R_p} = C_t \left( T_t - T_a \right) \tag{1}$$

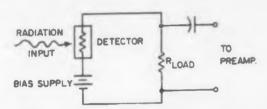


Fig. 1. Infrared detector bias supply.

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 $V_p = \text{peak voltage}$ 

 $R_n = \text{peak resistance}$ 

 $C_t$  = steady state rate of heat dissipation

 $T_t$  = thermistor temperature

 $T_a$  = ambient temperature

Maximum voltage is due to the high negative temperature coefficient of resistance which causes the resistance to drop at increased power levels. Optimum bias is chosen to be 0.6 of the peak voltage. At this level current noise is small compared to the limiting noise which is thermal. Since signal-to-noise ratio is proportional to bias voltage, 0.6  $V_p$  is found to be a good compromise which allows for some variation in ambient temperature.

#### **Time Constant**

There are two commonly used methods of measuring the time constant of an infrared detector. The first method utilizes a neon flasher which is capable of producing pulses of light with a frequency which can be easily varied from dc to about 10 kc. By plotting the signal output as a function of input frequency, a graph similar to lig. 4 will be obtained in which the output will legin to fall off beyond a certain frequency. The requency at the break-point where the output is

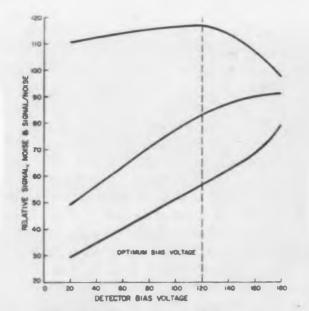


Fig. 2. Typical optimum bias curve

down 3 db, is the reciprocal of the time constant. The disadvantage of this technique is that the output of the neon lamp is in the visible part of the spectrum and may not give an accurate measure of the frequency response of the detector to radiation of longer wavelengths.

A preferable technique which is simpler, though slightly less accurate, is to apply a square wave radiation input from a blackbody source to the detector and display the output on an oscilloscope. By making the square wave duration in the neighborhood of three of four time constants and photographing the trace displayed on a calibrated sweep, a sufficiently accurate determination of the time constant can be made by measuring the time

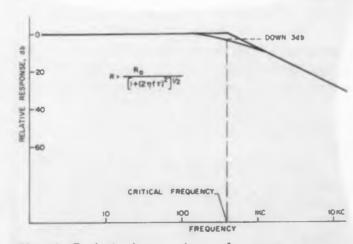


Fig. 4. Typical photoconductor frequency response.

for the trace to rise to 67 per cent of its asymptotic value. This method will also determine the existence of any significant second time constant the detector may possess.

A typical setup for this measurement is illustrated in Fig. 5. The beam defined by the collimating apertures should be as small as practicable in relation to the chopper slit in order to cut the rise time of the radiation input signal.

#### Responsivity

This quantity is defined as the ratio of output signal voltage to the radiation input signal. Several qualifications are in order here. First the chopping frequency should be less than the breakpoint or critical frequency. Second, the detector should be operated under optimum bias conditions. Third, the input and output signal should be measured in terms of the root-mean-square of the third requirement. When the input signal is a square wave, the rms of the fundamental is 0.45 times the peak-to-peak value.

With the equipment shown in Fig. 5 a narrow band filter and an rms volumeter to replace the oscilloscope, would be adequate for responsivity measurements. There are a number of calibrated and temperature controlled blackbody sources

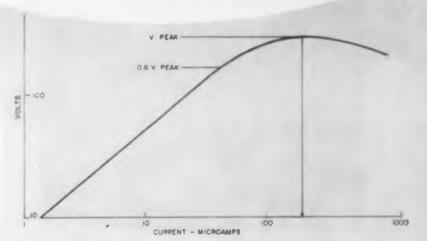


Fig. 3. Typical voltage-current relation for thermistor detector.

commercially available. The input signal is the difference between the radiation input from the blackbody and a reference (usually the chopper blade). Radiation input from which the responsivity or more accurately, the total responsivity is calculated is the difference in the integrated radiation inputs from the source and reference aindicated in Eq. 2.

$$R = V_{s} \left[ B_{1} \left( \int_{\lambda_{1}}^{\lambda_{2}} J_{\theta_{s}}(\lambda) S_{d}(\lambda) d\lambda - \int_{\lambda_{1}}^{\lambda_{2}} J_{ref}(\lambda) S_{d}(\lambda) d\lambda \right) \right]^{-1} (2)$$

where

 $B_1$  = ratio of rms of fundamental to peak-

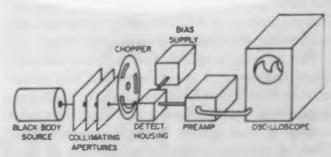


Fig. 5. Trace-time measuring equipment.

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V = rms of output signal voltage

 $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  = spectral response limits of detector

 $J_{bb}$  = spectral distribution of blackbody

 $J_{ref}$  = spectral distribution of reference source

 $S_d$  = relative spectral response of detector

Note that R will depend on the temperature of

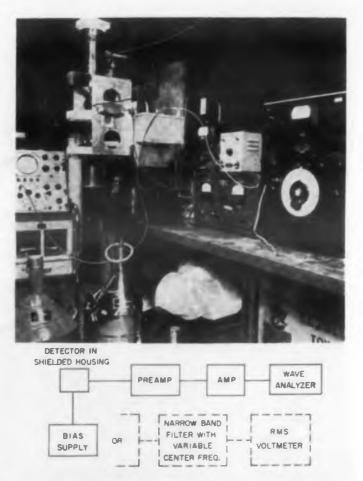


Fig. 6. Measuring setup for NEI, chopping frequency and bandwidths (a), and its block diagram (b).

the blackbody. Thus it is necessary to specify this temperature in reporting such data. Since the responsivity also depends upon the temperature of the detector itself, this fact should also be noted.

#### Noise Voltage Spectrum

A knowledge of the noise voltage spectrum of the detector is essential in determining such system parameters as NEI, chopping frequency, and bandwidths. Fig. 6 shows a measuring setup.

The detector is shielded as in other measurements and operated at optimum bias. The output noise voltage is fed to an adjacent low noise preamplifier and is then further amplified. This noise voltage is then passed through a narrow band filter of variable center frequency but of fixed bandwidth. Output is then measured with an rms

voltmeter. Care should be taken to shield the detector and preamp and keep the preamp lead as short as possible. In most cases, a low noise triode such as a 12AY7 or a 6533 is desirable in the preamplifier first stage. A 6CB6 pentode has also been found to be excellent for this purpose. The filter bandwidth is usually about 4 or 5 cps. Since most meter movements have a similar bandwidth, the needle tends to fluctuate about a mean at this frequency which makes estimation of the mean difficult. We, therefore, use an auxiliary meter with an integrating network thereby relieving the operator of the necessity of mentally performing this integration. Dividing by the gain and the square root of the filter bandwidth, and plotting the values obtained against frequency results in a graph as shown in Fig. 7.

#### **Spectral Response**

The setup for measuring spectral response is shown in Fig. 8. A Nerst Glower is used to provide a strong and concentrated source of infrared radiation. An image of the source is focused on the slit, s, of a monochrometer. The radiation is twice dispersed by the prism, and chopped between the first and second pass through the prism. The entrance slit is then focused on the exit slits, s', which passes only a small portion of the spectrum onto either the thermocouple detector by means of the movable mirror, m, or onto the detector being measured.

At this point, two procedures may be followed. The first is to leave the slit width fixed as the wavelength of the radiation on the detector is changed. The output of the detector and thermocouple are recorded at each wavelength setting. Since the source intensity decreases at longer wavelengths, both the detector and thermocouple output will change due to this effect. If the thermocouple is properly blackened, its responsiv-

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Fig. 7. Noise-frequency spectrum.

ity is independent of wavelength so that if the ratio of detector output to thermocouple output is plotted, the variations with wavelength should be due only to variations in detector responsivity.

An alternate procedure is to adjust the entrance slit width at each wavelength so that the thermocouple output is maintained at a fixed level. The radiation is then directed to the detector and the output so obtained is a direct measure of the response at that wavelength. It should be noted that both procedures essentially eliminate any extraneous effects due to such things as radiation absorption or slow changes in source output during the course of the measurement.

One of the most useful equipments for taking accurate radiation measurements such as sensitivity vs. wavelength and sensitivity vs. angular view angle of an optical equipment is the collimated optical bench shown in Fig. 9. It is capable of simulating targets at an infinite distance within a reasonable dimension of space by collecting radiant energy from a point source and projecting it along parallel paths in a beam the diameter of the

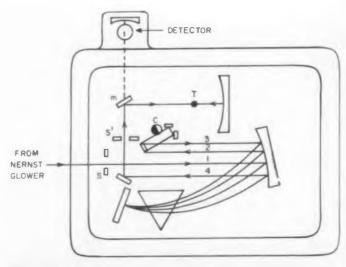


Fig. 8. Setup for measuring spectral response.

projecting mirror. In so doing, an optical system which is to be tested for image quality, absolute sensitivity, losses due to vignetting or spectral response can be placed within the parallel radiation beam and thus receive realistic radiation incidence for precise measurements.

A point source whose temperature is controlled and whose spectral passband is variable by insertion of spectral filters is placed at the focal point of the collimating mirror. Its energy is masked so that radiation from the source is only toward the mirror. The mirror collects this energy and reradiates it in a parallel path down its major axis. The test optics gathers the parallel energy and focuses it upon its detecting element which in turn passes the detected signal in the form of

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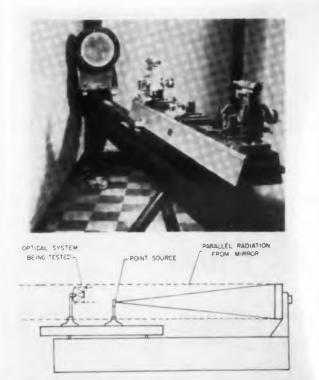
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Fig. 9. Collimated optical bench (a), and drawing showing its parts (b).

chopped voltage to a readout meter calibrated to give the required test data. Generally, this is in the form of rms amplitude which is proportional to the energy received by the test optic. If the test optic is large the projected area of the source must be subtracted from the gathering power of the test optic since the source blocks this amount of energy.

The bed which supports the optical elements and source has been constructed to eliminate errors due to stresses and strains due to movement of the bench or temperature changes. The bench bed is constructed of 12-inch tubular steel reinforced at the ends with welded plates for rigidity. The collimating mirror is kinematically mounted on three points to allow for expansion and contraction without distortion to the alignment of its

A precision 3-point suspension, optical bench is used as the test bed for the source and the test optic. Its alignment is maintained by the same ype of mounting as the collimating mirror. Bench Specifications are:

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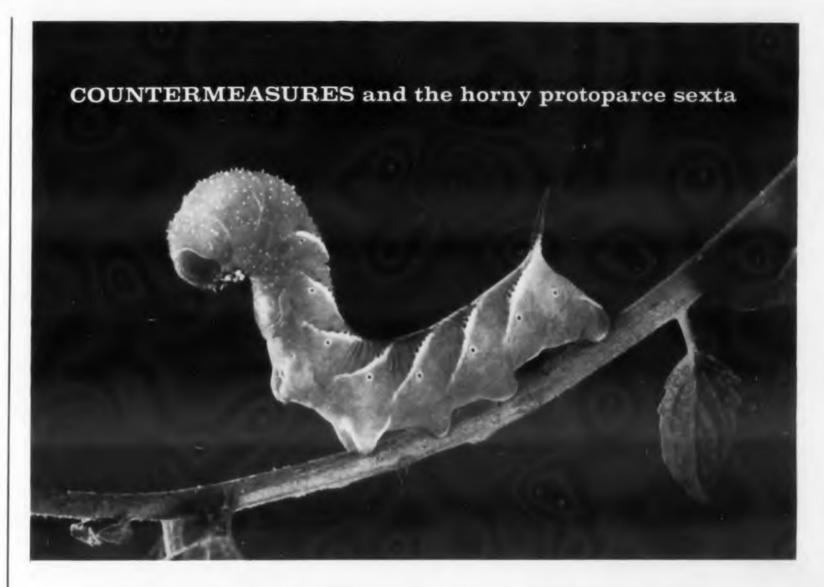
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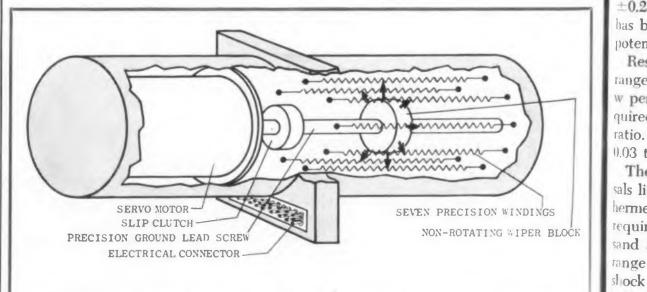
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Manufactured by Bourns, Inc., P.O. Box 2112, Riverside, Calif., the Model 801 is used, typically, to provide servocontrolled attenuation of gain with altitude for missile controls. With seven gangs, simultaneous control, feedback and telemetry signals can be provided.

A typical special function would require six outputs with 20 db attenuation, plus one output with 40 db attenuation.



Straight-line resistance elements permit good linearity, accuracy, reduce potentiometer diameter.

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Attenuation is provided as a change in resistance with a  $\pm 0.5$  db conformity.

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Supported by Class 5 bearings, the precision-ground leadscrew permits low breakout voltage for servo motor inputs.

Linearity is an independent  $\pm 0.1$  to  $\pm 0.25$  per cent. In the past such linearity has been common only to large diameter potentiometers.

Resistance available in the Model 801 ranges between 1 K and 100 K, with 1.5 w per element power rating. Torque required is 0.15 oz-in. variable with turns ratio. There is no back-lash. Resolution is 0.03 to 0.2 per cent.

The 801 is rated at two million traversals life. It is filled with dry nitrogen and hermetically sealed; meets MIL-E-5272A requirements for humidity, salt spray, sand and dust and fungus. Temperature range of operation is -40 to +165 F and shock rating is 60 g in 11 msec.

For further information on this servodriven multi-output potentiometer turn to the Reader-Service card and circle 102.

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# Count Individual Electrons with High Z Voltmeter

Precision voltmeter has input impedance higher than free space surrounding instrument. Mercury cells for powering isolated amplifiers can be seen through door and shields.



SIXTY ELECTRONS per second can be sensed by a new precision voltmeter which measures from one to 250 v. Input impedance is 10<sup>17</sup> ohms—greater than the impedance of the free space surrounding the instrument, greater than the teflon insulating the input terminal contacts.

Output impedance, however, is much less than ten ohms, perhaps as low as 0.2 ohm. Manufactured by Halex, Inc., 310 E. Imperial Highway, El Segundo, Calif., the Model 301E voltmeter is a precision follower suitable for driving test equipment and control devices, external oscilloscopes, low voltage meters, servo systems and the normally-highly accurate, but relatively low impedance, digital voltmeters.

Voltage-following accuracy of the instrument is

0.02 per cent with the low impedance output terminal. It is the same or better with the high impedance (5·10<sup>5</sup> ohms) output jack. Input signal can be low frequency ac or dc up to 250 v, of either polarity—500 v peak-to-peak ac. The meter is calibrated to two per cent full scale, and overall accuracy is held to two per cent. The meter is protected from overvoltage of either polarity by a Zener diode and registers the actual voltage at the 301E output terminal. It has 11 ranges.

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Grid current is adjustable to  $10^{-18}$  amp or less: the output/input following ratio is 0.9998 at the low impedance terminal. Zero drift is adjustable from the front panel.

Operating on a new principle of "relativistic coupling" (see below), the voltmeter's first ampli-

# How It Works— No Feedback in Output-Ground Connections

RELATIVISTIC coupling is what Donald Dimon, consultant to Halex, Inc., calls his approach to electronic design. He says it's the "connecting of active systems into another, more complex system wherein the relations existing in each component system are undisturbed."

In analog circuitry, for example, very few ground connections are used. Instead, moving reference planes serve as grounds for each internal system. Relativistic coupling, a powerful analysis and synthesis tool, paid off in the design of Halex's precision voltmeter. Let's see how it works.

A block diagram of the voltmeter is shown in Fig. 1. Three precision unity gain amplifiers are surrounded by three distinct shields. Ground for the innermost amplifiers is the shield for the succeeding amplifier.

Approximate electrical properties of the

three amplifiers are given in the Table. Note the input impedance of the first precision unity gain amplifier— $10^{14}$  ohms. But the overall properties of the entire system include an input resistance of  $5\cdot10^{17}$  ohms. Input capacitance is  $2\cdot10^{-3}$  µµf; voltage gain on the low jack is 0.9996, high jack 0.99999; output impedance of the low jack 10 ohms (or less), high jack  $5\cdot10^{5}$  ohms.

How is the input impedance of the first



unbuttoned, precision voltme shows nesting of relative-coupled a plifiers. Note concentric input jack.

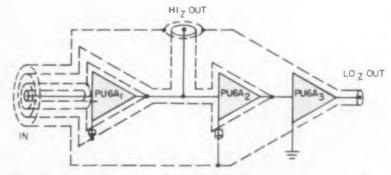
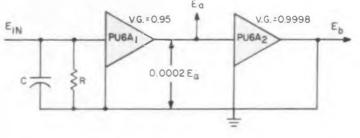


Fig. 1. Block diagram of precision voltmeter, showing relativistic shielding.



**Fig. 2.** To raise effective input impedance of first amplifier ( $PUGA_1$ ), circuit is connected like this. Note the voltage between the output of  $PUGA_1$  and the output of  $PUGA_1$  is only 0.0002  $E_a$ .

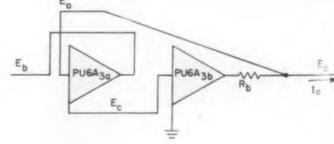


Fig. 3. The third precision unity gain amplifier in the package is made up of two amplifiers, connected a shown. Output impedance is less than ten ohms.

is isolated, self-powered, shielded by its own grand and independent of the rest of the system. It is separate amplifier has an input impedance of 1014 ohms, as is commonly available with electrometer amplifiers; and is arranged as a voltage follower having a gain of 0.95, an output impedance of about 100 ohms. This amplifier floats on the output of another complete precision unity gain amplifier (voltage gain: 0.9998), which has an input impedance of 50 meg, output impedance of 100 ohms.

The second amplifier's output becomes the relative ground plane for the first amplifier and is also connected to the input of a third amplifier, which has an output impedance of less than 10 ohms.

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The Halex Model 301E is  $10 \times 7 \times 4$  in. in size, has a large number of accessories for high-pretision integrating, low impedance circuit voltage measurements, high voltage measurements, use as a regulated power supply, precision current source, micromicroammeter (actually giving an analog presentation of electron counting) or as a micromicrocoulombmeter.

For further information on this precision high impedance voltmeter, turn to the Reader-Service Card and circle 103.

amplifier,  $PUGA_1$ , effectively raised? See Fig. 2. For the purpose of the input impedance is considered to be separate and external to the amplifier; and is made up of R and C in parallel.

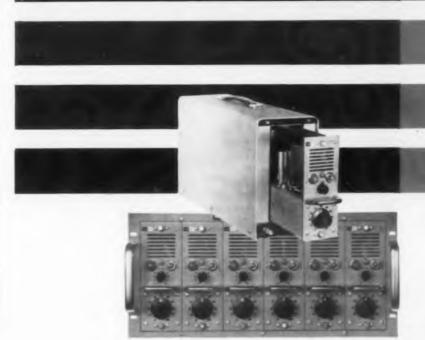
But the overall input impedance is seen by an external source to be  $E_{in}/I_{in}$  of the system. In the case of Fig. 2,  $E_{in}$  is essentially the same as  $E_a$  and  $E_b$  since the amplifiers are followers; but  $I_{in}$  is substantially reduced because the voltage across R and C is 0.0002  $E_a/0.95$ —approximately one five-thousandth of the total input signal voltage. The new input impedance is then about  $5000 \cdot R$ , and C  $5000 \cdot 5 \cdot 10^{17}$  ohms and 0.002 µµf.

#### **Voltage Follows Accurately**

The input voltage needed to support a signal of  $E_a$  and the  $E_a$  terminal (the voltmeter's high accuracy terminal) is the sum

#### Electrical Characteristics of Precision Unity Gain Amplifiers in High Impedance Voltmeter

	PUGA <sub>1</sub>	PUGA <sub>2</sub>	PUGA <sub>3</sub>
Input R	10 <sup>1+</sup> ohms	5-10 <sup>-</sup> ohms	5.10° ohms
rput C	10 juit	20 uuf	20 μμf
Volt Gain Dc	0.95	0.9998	0.9998
Cutput Z	100 ohms	100 ohms	10 ohms



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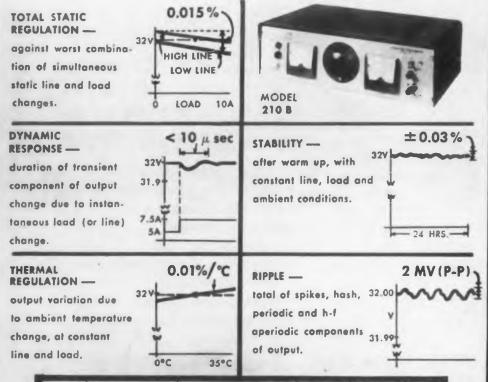




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T-210-B	0-10	0-30	.02% or 6MV	.01%	0.7	51/4"	\$725
T-215-B	0.32	0-1	.02% or 3MV	.01%	0.7	31/2"	\$450
T-220-B	0-32	0.3	.02% or 3MV	.01%	0.7	31/2"	\$525
T-225-8	0-32	0-10	.02% or 5MV	.01%	0.7	51/4"	5695
7-230-B	0-150	0-0.75	.01% or 1MV	.03%	2.0	31/2"	5545
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#### How It Works (Cont.)

of the voltage across the input and common of  $PUGA_1$  plus the output voltage of  $PUGA_2$ . The two voltages are 0.00021  $E_a$  and 0.9998  $E_a$ , a total of 1.00001  $E_a$ . The ratio of output to input is therefore  $E_a/1.00001$   $E_a$ : 0.999999.

Low output impedance for the instrument is obtained by connecting two separate amplifiers as one, as in Fig. 3. The two amplifiers,  $PUGA_{3a}$  and  $PUGA_{3b}$  each have an input impedance of 5·10<sup>5</sup> ohms, voltage gains of 0.99 and 0.98 respectively and 100 ohms and one K ( $R_b$  of Fig. 3).  $R_b$  is brought out externally for analysis; it is the output impedance of  $PUGA_{3b}$ .

The voltage  $E_c$  is about 1.02 ( $E_o$  +

 $I_oR_b$ ) since the gain of  $PUGA_{3b}$  is 0.48. The signal into  $PUGA_{3b}$  is  $(E_o-E_o)$ , which is  $-0.02 E_o-1.02 I_oR_b$ . The output of  $PUGA_{3b}$  is 0.99 of the input signal. Suitable derivation shows  $E_b$  equal to 1.0002  $E_o+0.0102 I_oR_b$ .

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Since output impedance is the relative change in output voltage with a change in output current,  $Z_o = E_o/I_o$ , which equals 0.0102  $R_b$ —about 10 ohms. The voltage following accuracy is 1–1.0002, or 0.9998 unloaded.

In practice, the Halex 301E's final stage circuit is not identical to the one in Fig. 3, though the principle is the same; and the true output impedance appears to be about 0.2 ohms. To be safe, the company calls it "less than ten ohms."

The voltmeter is so sensitive that cur-

# Plugboard Logic Computer



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Manufactured by Computer Control Co., Inc., 2251 Barry Ave., Los Angeles 64, Calif., the SPEC (Stored Program Educational Computer) Mark III is so organized as to permit its use as a general purpose computer or as a digital differential analyzer. Prewired A-MP, Inc., plugboards are used to interconnect the same logical elements in different ways—"rewiring" of the internal logic, rather than simple program insertion.

SPEC contains the basic features of larger computers—adders, counters, comparison circuits, operation code and memory selection matrices, memory storage and one mc clocking. It is designed to simulate a big machine on a small (about \$25,000) scale.

As a DDA (with a prewired plugboar supplied by the manufacturers) the computer contains 20 integrators with a maximum word length of 20 bits. Maximum accuracy is one part in 524,000, iteratic

Te I flow along a glass rod can easily be me isured. Mr. Dimon demonstrated this se up. He attached a 100-v source to both ends of a 4-in. long, 1/8-in. diam glass grounded one end. The 301E was grounded at one end and a stiff metal wife inserted in the input jack. By touching the wire to the glass rod and moving it along its length, the meter was made to vary between zero and 100 v. Nothing but the conductance of the glass and surface leakage served to pass the current.

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By using the short length of wire as an intenna, the potential difference between the meter and a glass rod rubbed with a piece of silk registered from three or four feet away. The meter needle faithfully followed the motion of the rod as it was moved from the voltmeter.

rate 2380 iterations per sec per integrator. Interconnections are set up by the inserted stored program. Any integrator output may be used as an independent variable input; and any three integrator outputs may be summed into each integrator output.

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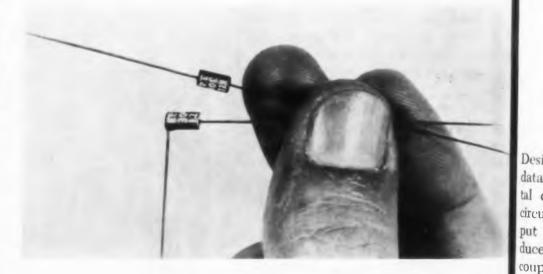


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SC-32-10	0-32	0-10
SC-32-15	0-32	0-15
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SC-60-5	0-60	0-5
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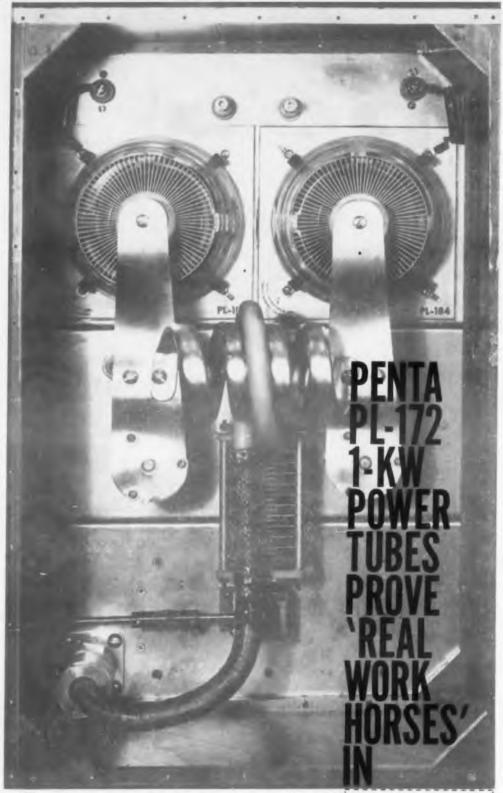


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#### **Temperature Potentiometers**

Error is  $\pm 0.2\%$  of range



Having an error limit of  $\pm 0.2\%$  of range span, these portable temperature potentiometers have 20 temperature ranges and four millivolt ranges which are all interchangeable. Both provide an output in millivolts equivalent to the temperature setting of the instrument for use in checking similar potentiometers, recorders, and controllers. The maximum external resistance is 50 ohms. Type 8692 single-range unit is calibrated for one type of thermocouple for temperature measurements or for millivolt measurements using one of the four ranges. Double range type 8693, shown here, can be supplied with one or different types of ranges for the same thermocouples. One range can measure temperature and the other, millivolts.

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# Broadband Rotating Joints Cover the range of 2.6 to 40 kmc



These broadband rotating joints cover the range of 2.6 to 40 kmc with a minimum vswr. The joints can be pressure sealed to 30 psi. The design allows for continuous rotation in either direction with negligible rotational variation. Units are suitable for fast or slow operation through small angles or for continuous rotation. Mechanical stability is provided by means of double ball-bearing mountings; bearings are isolated from rf. Four configurations can be supplied. All combinations of 90 deg and colinear arms are available, both on the fixed and movable side.

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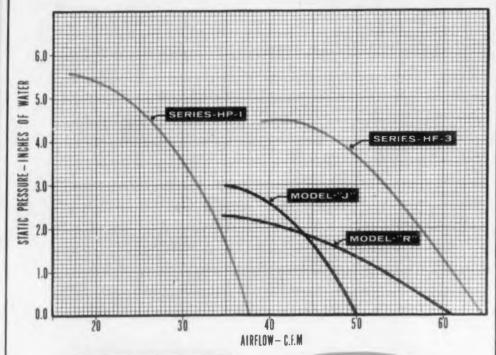


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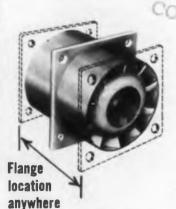




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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

Variable Attenuator
Adjustable range is 0 to 40 db



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## Transformer Handles 235 w



Series 882 Thin-Tran transformer handles 235 w, mounts in an area measuring 1-29/64 x 2-29/64 x 3 in., and operates over the ambient temperature range of —55 to +100 C. Primary voltage on the standard unit is 115 v 400 cps; secondary voltages are available from 5 to 2000 cps. The terminals are arranged in rows of five pins: one for primary, three for secondaries, and one for use as a center tap on secondary windings. Regulation is 5% max, no load to full load. The unit weighs 1.44 lb and provides a power-to-weight ratio of 155 w per lb. Life expectancy is 10,000 hr. Fully encapsulated and hermetically sealed in a steel container, the transformer meets MIL-E-5272B and MIL-T-27A, class S.

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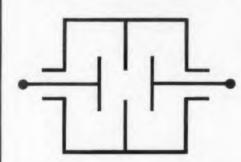
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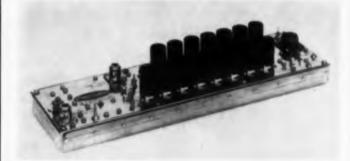
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#### DC Null Detector

Input impedance is 40,000 ohms



For use with guarded and unguarded potentiometers and bridges in production testing and laboratory applications, type 9834 dc null detector has an input impedance of 40,000 ohms and will provide high sensitivities with source resistances up to 100,000 ohms. It has four degrees of sensitivity over the range of 1000 to 1 and has a noise level of less than ±0.1 mv. It is housed in a metal case with vinyl finish and carrying handle. Panel mounting models are also available.

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#### Turn Indicating Dials

For use with potentiometers

These ten-turn indicating dials provide readings of potentiometer full turns. The turn number stays in view while the dial registers partial turns in increments of 1/100. No gearing mechanisms are used and no disassembly or panel holes are required for mounting. Model 10 is a 1-in, unit and model 20 is 1-13/16 in. to fit 0.25 in. diam shafts. For 0.125-in. shafts, an adapter bushing can be supplied.

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#### Volt Potentiometer

Ranges are 0 to 1.601 v and 0 to 0.1601 v



Type 8687 portable volt potentiometer has two operating ranges: 0 to 1.601 v and 0 to 0.1601 v. The instrument has limits of error of  $\pm 0.05\%$  -|- 30 µv for the high range and  $\pm 0.05\%$  + 3 µv for the low range. Typical laboratory applications of this compact, three-dial potentiometer include measurements of temperature, contact potentials, plus calibration of dc ammeters, voltmeters, and other instruments. In industrial use, it can calibrate thermal converters, and strain gages. It is housed in a metal case with a removable lid.

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#### Tape Reader Set

Is  $5-7/8 \times 7-1/2 \times 9-1/2$  in.

Including transmitter-distributor, motor, base, and cover, model 28 LXD punched-tape reader set measures  $5-7/8 \times 7-1/2 \times 9-1/2$  in. It provides for sequential output and 100 words per min transmission. Optional contacts are available for multi-wire output. Models are furnished to read five or six-level chadless or fully perforated tape. Applications include on-line data transmission over existing communications facilities and off-line control of tape-operated machines.

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# MEASURE DELAY ACCURATELY

# PULSE



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Incorporates design of Hazel-tine Electronics Corp. Model 1754 Precision Time Measuring

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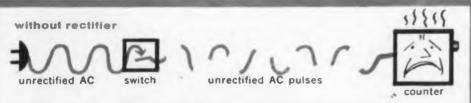
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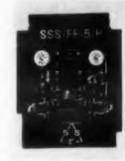
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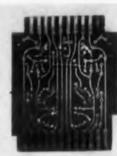
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#### Control and Logic Modules

Plug-in design





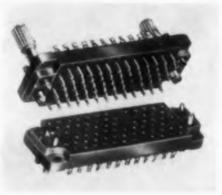
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#### **Wirewound Resistors**

Temperature coefficient is ±20 ppm



Available in five styles, these miniature wirewound resistors have a standard temperature coefficient of  $\pm 20$  ppm. They can be as small as 0.08 in. in diam and 0.375 in. long. The wattage rating starts at 0.05 w to 0.25 w at 125 C and is derated to zero at 150 C with accuracies to 0.025%. Designed to meet MIL-R-93B and MIL-R-9444, they can have axial wire terminals or dual wire terminals for printed circuit use. The units are encapsulated in epoxy.

Cinema Engineering Div., Dept. ED, 1100 Chestnut St., Burbank, Calif.

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#### Computer Diode

Recovery time is 4 mµsec max

These silicon mesa computer diodes have a maximum recovery time of 4 musec when switched from a forward bias with 10 ma current to a reverse bias of -5 v. Types 1N903, 1N904, and 1N905 have peak reverse voltage ratings at 25 C and 1 µa or at 100 c and 10 na of 20, 30, and 40 v, respectively. The capacitance for all three types is 1 unf and the forward voltage drop at 25 C and 10 ma is 1.1 v for type 1N903 and 1 v for 1N904 and 1N905. Also available, types 1N906, 1N907, and 1N908 have peak reverse voltages of 20, 30, and 40 v, respectively, a capacitance of 2.5 juf, and a forward voltage drop of

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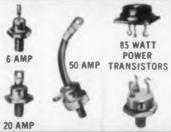
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Meter Relay

Accuracy is  $\pm 0.15\%$  deviation



Designed to monitor per-cent de viation of voltages within predetermined limits over the range of 5 to 500 v, this meter relay has an accuracy of  $\pm 0.15\%$  deviation at room temperature. Center scale voltage values may be programmed by switching external resistors. Contact closure will occur when the percent deviation of the programmed voltage exceeds the predetermined limits set on the movable contacts. Both ac and dc versions are available. Military units offer ±0.3% deviation accuracy from -55 to +71C and meet vibration, shock, and humidity requirements of MIL-M-10304A. The ac meter relays maintain accuracy over the frequency range of 50 to 2000 cps. The relay contacts will give up to 10,000,000 make and break cycles without failure, and may be used to control corrective devices.

Voltron Products, Dept. ED, 1010 Mission St., S. Pasadena, Calif.

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#### **Ultrasonic Cleaners**

Efficiency is 90%

These ultrasonic cleaners have an efficiency rating of 90%. Cleaning power is increased by means of the transducer which consists of piezoelectric ceramic material compressed between two solid metal sections. Model DR 252 generator with the T3 tank provides an average output power of 250 w and a tank capacity of 3 gal, model DR 520 generator with the T5 tank provides an average output power of 500 w and a tank capacity of 5

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gai, and model DR 1020 generator with the T10 tank provides 1000 w and a tank capacity of 10 gal. All models operate at 20 kc. They are used to clean gyros, differentials, relays, semiconductors, vacuum tube components, printed circuit boards, and other products.

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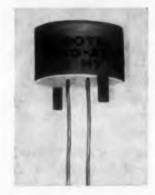
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Acoustica Associates, Inc., Dept. ED, Fairchild Court, Plainview, L.I., N.Y.

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# Toroid Inductors Inductances are 0.01 mh to 4 h



Series M50 toroid inductors provide a high Q from 1 kc to 2 mc with inductances from 0.01 mh to 4 h. They have printed circuit mountings and measure 43/64 in. OD and 13/32 in. high. The units are housed in metal cases.

Torotel, Inc., Dept. ED, 5512 E. 110th St., Kansas City, Mo.

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# Drive Unit Dual Speed

Type DSD-2 dual speed drive unit is a gear reducer for positioning and indicating with an accuracy of 6 min of arc or better. It has an inner dial for coarse positioning, an outer dial for fine positioning, plus in-line input and output shafts. Having no backlash, units are available with ratios to 72:1. A vernier is available for the ratios 20:1 and 36:1. A modified version, type DSD-3, has an accuracy of 12 min of arc. The units pass Air Force requirements of MIL-E-4970, a high temperature test at +200 F, a low temperature test at -80 F, and shock tests at 100 g.

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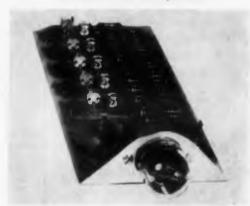
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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

#### **Binary-to-Decimal Converter**

For use with computers



Model 260 binary-to-decimal converter is for use with computers which require decimal display readout for any number of four-bit code inputs. Solid state techniques are used for conversion and memory functions. The converter activates a cold-cathode decimal display equal to a Nixie tube. The unit is available as a single plug-in module complete with illuminated display or as an assembly of a number of modules for rack mounting.

Hermes Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 75 Cambridge Parkway, Cambridge 42, Mass.

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#### Ultrasonic Cleaner

Tank is  $9-1/4 \times 5 \times 6$  in.



Model 100 ultrasonic cleaner has a tank measuring  $9-1/4 \times 5 \times 6$  in. with 25% of the tank bottom covered with driving elements. The radiating surface measures 12 sq. in. Made of heavy-gage stainless steel, the tank has rounded corners. A 115-v ac, 60-cps, single-phase generator, designed for continuous operation, delivers an average output of 60 w and a peak output of 240 w. The unit includes a one-tube oscillator, front panel switching which permits a choice of two transducers, and three-wire ground protection.

National Ultrasonic Corp., Dept. ED, 111 Montgomery Ave., Irvington, N.J.

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#### Tee Circulator Insertion loss is 0.4 db



Model CX400 three-port tee circulator has 15 db isolation and 0.4 db insertion loss over the frequency range of 9.1 to 9.9 kmc. In the band center the insertion loss is about 0.1 db. The unit is rated at 1 kw peak and 100 w avg. The temperature range is -55 to +71 C. The circulator is 3.1 in. long, weighs 3/4 lb, and is useful for maser and parametric amplifier applications.

Rantec Corp., Dept. ED, Calabasas, Calif.

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#### Complex Ratio Bridge For in-phase and quadrature voltage ratios



This complex ratio bridge measures both inphase and quadrature voltage ratios. The unit is used to test three- and four-terminal networks such as transformers, synchros, resolvers, gyros, and transducers. The instrument cancels quadrature effects and the bridge has an in-phase accuracy of 0.001%. Quadrature voltage ratios are read as rectangular coordinates, tangent of phase-shift angle, or magnitude of phase-shift angle, directly in degrees. A self-contained phase-sensitive detector provides good sensitivity with 2-v reference. Harmonics and noise are rejected by a bandpass filter. The magnitude of the transformation ratios of R + jX voltages are readable to six places. The bridge is available with a frequency range of 30 to 1000 cps or 50 to 3000 cps and in rack-mounting or cabinet models.

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ESC, the world's leading manufacturer of custom built and stock delay lines, is already widely recognized in the electronics industry for its exceptional engineering advances. In October, 1958, ESC broke through an existing design barrier and produced a delay line with a 145 to 1 delay time rise time ratio. It had been thought, prior to the announcement of the Model 61-34, that ESC had reached the ultimate in this type of delay line.



SPECIFICATIONS OF NEW DELAY LINE MODEL 61-34

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Attenuation: less than 2 db

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Complete technical data on the new unit can be obtained by writing to

ESC Corporation, 534 Bergen Boulevard, Palisades Park, New Jersey.

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Outputs are 5 to 32 v



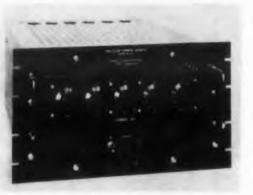
These transistorized dc power supply modules, designated models 22-211, 22-213, 22-214, and 22-217, have outputs of 5 to 7, 11 to 14, 14 to 17, and 25 to 32 v, respectively, and up to 6 amp. The input for all units is 105 to 125 v ac, 60 cps. Ripple is less than 2 mv rms, line regulation is 25 mv, and no-load regulation is 15 mv.

Dressen-Barnes Corp., Dept. ED, 250 N. Vinedo Ave., Pasadena, Calif.

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#### **Current Governor**

Line and load regulation is 0.05%



Designed for transistor and semiconductor measurements, type CS-111 current governor has a range of 10 µa to 500 ma from 0 to 200 v dc. Line and load regulation is better than 0.05%. Current is set to five places by decade knobs arranged to provide a digital inline readout. The current may be programmed or modulated by a remote signal. Transistor avalanche and Zener voltage measurements are easily made at controlled current. Dynamic measurements can be made by modulating the current. Other applications include measurement or testing of semiconductors, magnetic components, and other current sensitive devices.

North Hills Electric Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 402 Sagamore Ave., Mineola, N.Y.

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TYPE "M"—Peak voltage 1250 volts on .017" plate spacing; 850 volts on .013" spaced units. Shaft slotted for fast screwdriver adjustment—mounting bushing threaded with flats to prevent turning—mounting not furnished. Available in production quantities with the following features: locking bearings; 180° stop; various shaft extensions; high torque; silver or other platings. Single section, butterfly, and differential types available.

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#### **Pressure Switch**

Actuating pressure range is 5 to 30 psia

Type RR-58 absolute air pressure switch is available in an actuating pressure range of 5 to 30 psia. It has an accuracy of  $\pm 0.5$  psi from -85 to +185 F and  $\pm 1.5$  psi from 185 to 400 F. Difference in pressure between the on and off positions is 2 psi.

The switch can be spst or spdt and is rated at 28 v dc or 110 v ac with 5 amp resistive load. It meets the environmental specifications of MIL-E-5272 including ±20 g shock and 75 to 500 cps at 10 g vibration. It weighs less than 1.8 oz and measures 1-27/32 in. in length and 7/8 in. in diam.

Suited to missile and aircraft applications, the switch can actuate at critical altitudes. It can actuate at critical pressures to prevent arc-over in high voltage equipment and to protect equipment in electronic assemblies.

Newark Controls Co., Dept. ED, 15 Ward St., Bloomfield, N.J.

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#### 644 Zener Diode Types Offer Advantages to Every Voltage Regulator Circult

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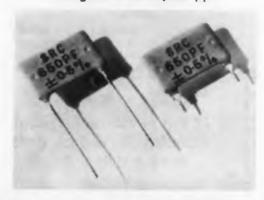
For use with type 545, 554, 589, and 6339 external anode, miniature power diodes in air or oil cooled applications, this heat dissipating anode connector weighs 1 oz and occupies 1-1/8 cu in. Made of light weight aluminum, it maintains uniform anode contact to 300 C.

The requirements of MIL-C-5541 are met. Trought Associates, Inc., Dept. ED, 116 Grey-lock Ave., Belleville 9, N.J.

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#### Capacitors

Range is 2 to 10,000 µµf



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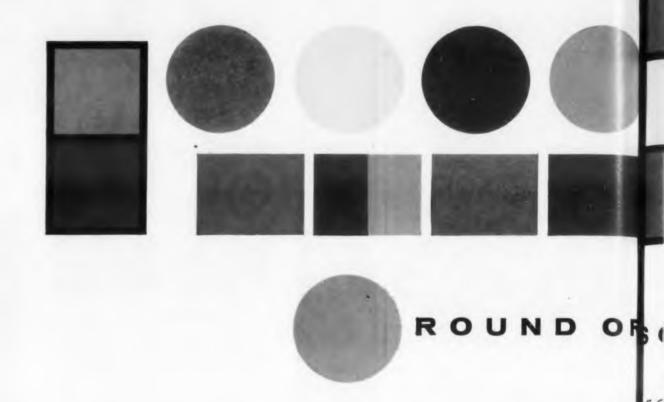
Tolerance is  $\pm 0.5\%$  to  $\pm 10\%$ . Temperature range is -60 to +100 C or to +135 C for encapsulated units.

Average temperature coefficient is  $\pm 25$  ppm per deg C. The voltage rating is 500 wvdc and the long term stability is  $\pm 0.05\%$ .

British Radio Electronics Ltd., Dept. ED, 1833 Jefferson Place, N.W., Washington 6, D.C.

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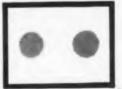
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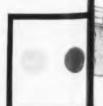










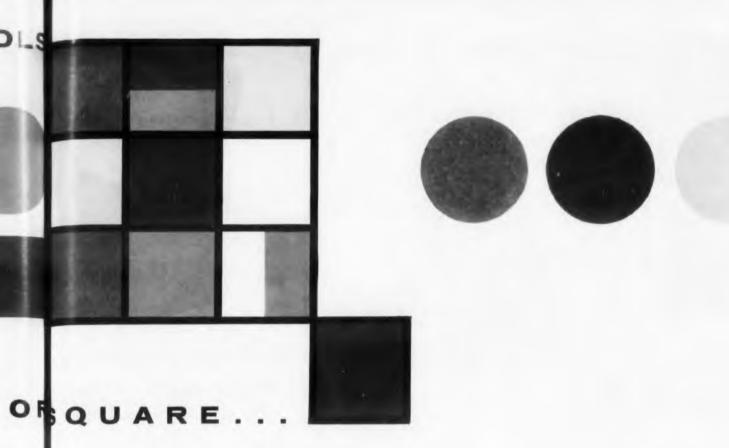


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Output is 2.5 v, 300 to 4000 cps



Model 6261 frequency generator has an output of 2.5 v with frequencies of 300 to 4000 cps. Accuracies are 0.1% to 0.01%. The oscillator circuit uses types 2N334 and 2N335 silicon transistors, precision wire wound resistors, and metallized Mylar capacitors. A bimetallic tuning fork is employed. The tuning fork and the oscillator circuit are in a hermetically sealed can measuring 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 x 3-1/4 in. Required operating power is 28 v dc.

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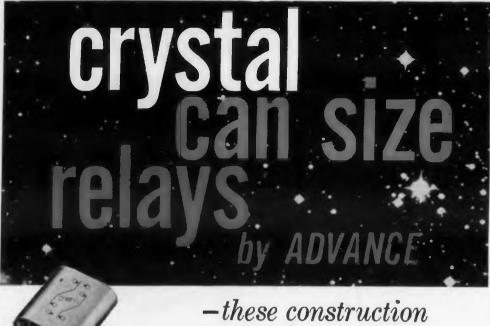
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These ac and dc power supplies have voltage ranges from between 0 and 30 v to between 0 and 120 v. Maximum current ranges are 1 to 12 amp. The ac output is variable; the dc output is well-filtered and can be obtained with a very low ripple. A voltmeter indicates output. All outputs are available from both the front and the rear of the units; all input connections are located at the rear. Protection against overload and short circuits is provided. The units are designed for panel mounting.

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Contact rating:

2 amps resistive at 32 VDC or

Life:

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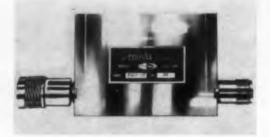
Model MA2-1000 parametric amplifier is used in the 950 to 1250 mc range and model MA2-1000L is used in radar receivers in the 1250 to 1350 mc range. Both models exhibit noise figures below 2 db with a bandwidth of 0.25%. The image rejection is better than 50 db down and the dynamic range is 80 db or better. The unit includes a Varactor diode, a low noise mixer, and a 1N21E or MA-412B diode for the down-converter stage. Complete amplifiers consist of the basic unit, a pump oscillator, a power supply, and waveguide accessories. The chassis is silver-plated brass and measures  $6 \times 3 \times 2$  in.

Microwave Associates, Inc., Dept. ED, Burlington, Mass.

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#### Low-Pass Filters

Attenuation is 50 db



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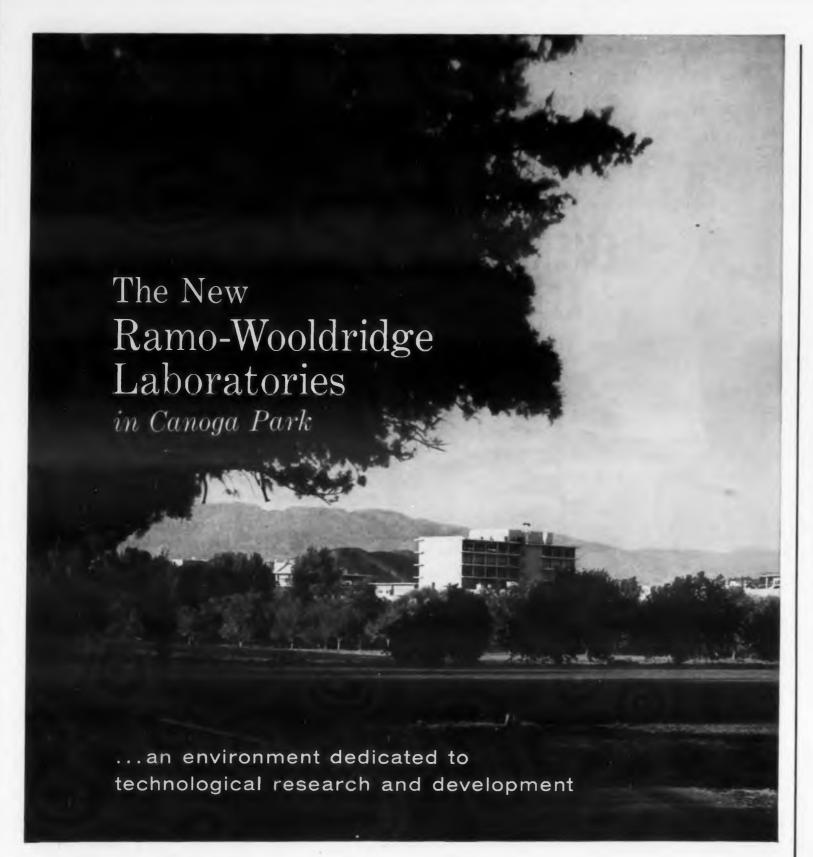
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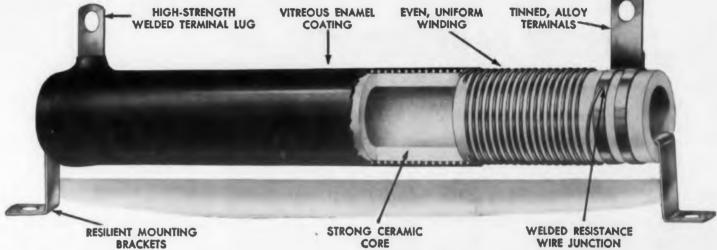
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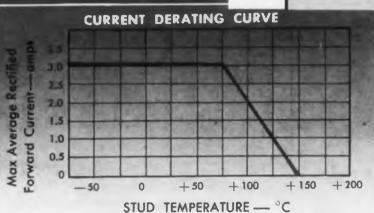
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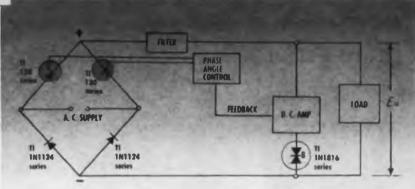
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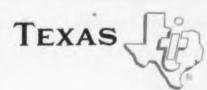
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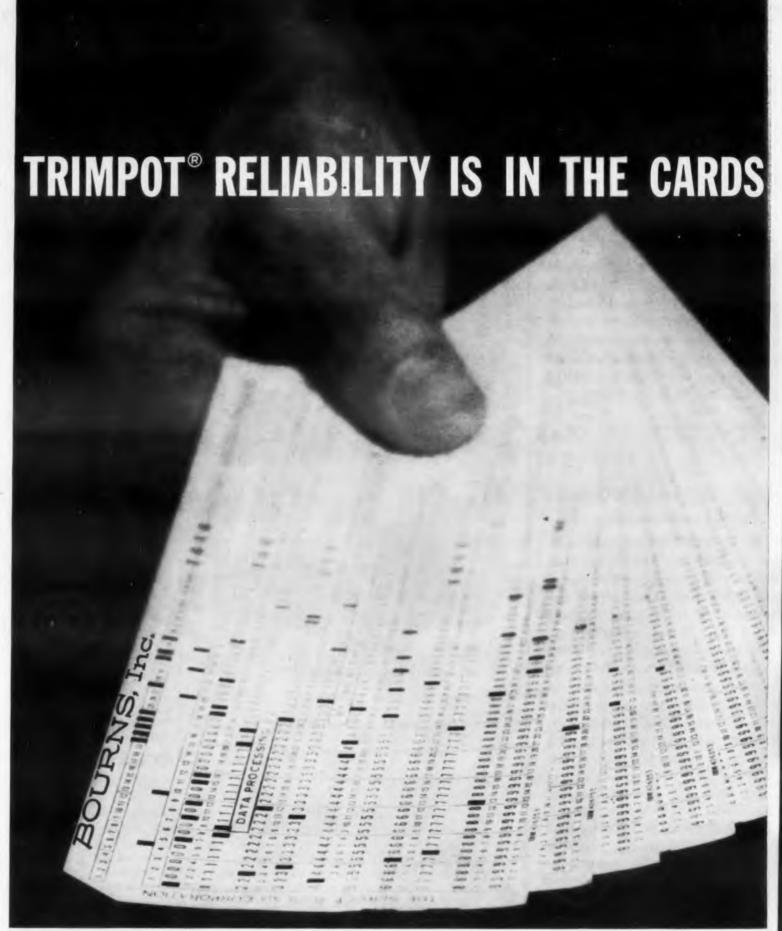
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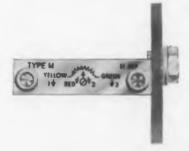
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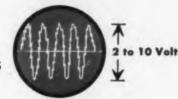


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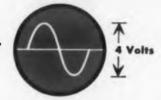
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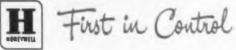
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# Honeywell



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# **NEW PRODUCTS**

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Having a resistance range of 10 to 100,000 ohms with ±5% standard tolerance, type W-5 trimmer potentiometer has a case size of 0.89 x 0.21 x 0.312 in. and 0.75 mounting hole centers. The unit dissipates 2 w at 70 C, derating linearly to zero at 200 C. Extreme environmental conditions are provided for. The unit is available with side-mounted printed circuit configurations, flexible wire leads, solder-lugs or panel-mounting hardware.

Atohm Electronics, Dept. ED, 7648 San Fernando Rd., Sun Valley, Calif.

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# Radiant Energy Standard

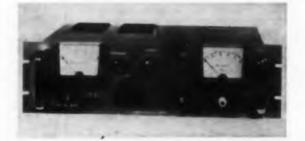
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This radiant energy standard is comprised of model 403 black body and model 100 temperature controller. Designed to emit black body radiation over the temperature range of 500 to 1000 Kelvin, the unit maintains its radiation source temperature within 1 deg Kelvin despite changes in ambient temperature, line voltage variations, transients, and tube aging. The selected temperature is maintained by a combination of vacuum-tube amplifier and thyratron circuitry.

Infrared Standards Lab., Dept. ED, 10555 Magnolia Ave., Riverside, Calif.

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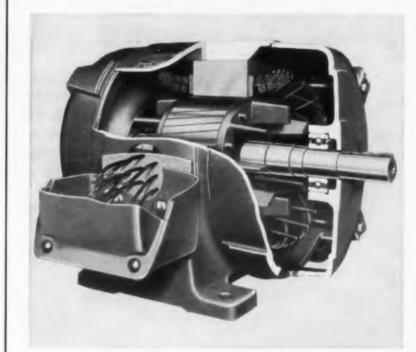
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Partlow Corp., Dept. ED, 530 Campion Rd., New Hartford (Utica), N.Y.

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# Pulse Transformer

Subminiature



This subminiature pulse transformer, called the Micro-Stat, has a hermetically sealed metal casing that is 0.57-in. long with a diameter of 0.51 in. It is also available with an epoxy casing that is 0.41-in. long with a diameter of 0.3 in. All applicable military specifications are met by the unit that comes in over 50 designs. The unit is constructed on an armite form for precise winding geometry to control leakage inductance and distributed capacity. Each unit has a polished gap which represents 1/2 mil of effective gap. Improved voltage breakdown and insulation resistance is claimed through use of core-gapped construction.

Pulse Engineering, Inc., Dept. ED, 560 Robert Ave., Santa Clara, Calif.

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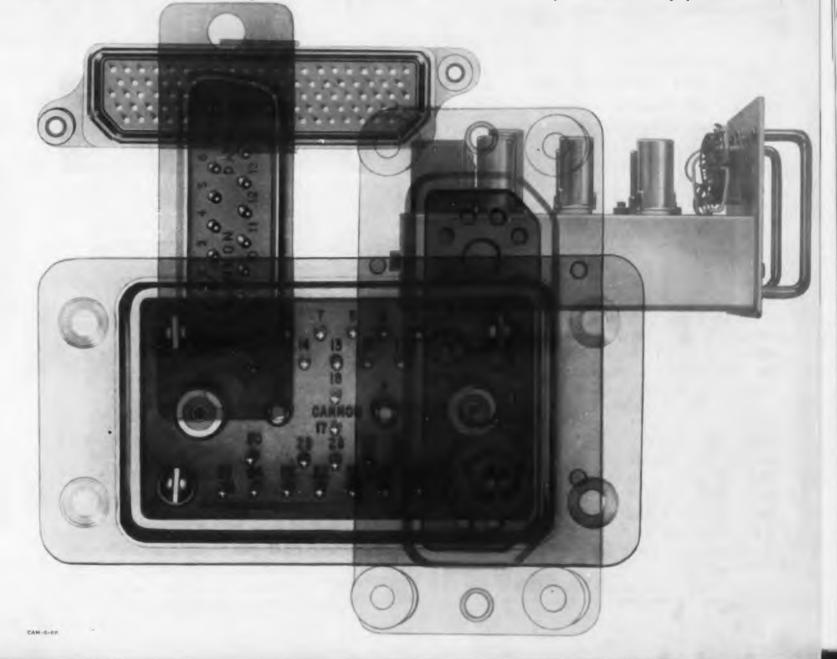


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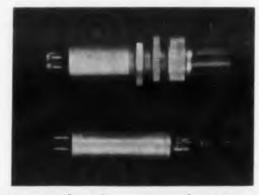
Series PVC direct-drive, corrosion-resistant utility blowers come with 1/3, 3/4, or 1 hp motors and capacities of 399 to 2000 cfm. Constructed of rigid unplasticized polyvinyl chloride, they can be used in such applications as laboratory hood exhaust systems. They withstand temperatures to 140 F at the blower inlet.

Industrial Plastic Fabricators, Inc., Dept. ED, Endicott St., Norwood, Mass.

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# Gas Triode Indicator

For transistor monitoring



This gas triode indicator is a subminiature gridcontrolled unit designed for transistor monitoring service. The 1GT7 with a plug-in KP-145A tube can be operated as a conventional thyratron and used in relay control circuits. Or it can be applied in circuits requiring electrical memory combined with visual readout. In typical ac operation the anode voltage is 120 v ac, the anode series resistance is 120 K, and the grid triggering voltage is from 1.5 to -6 v. In typical dc operation, the anode voltage is  $85 \pm 15$  v dc, the anode series resistance is 120 K, and the grid triggering voltage is from 0 to -4.5 v.

Eldema Corp., Dept. ED, 1805 Belcroft Ave., El Monte, Calif.

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# Is your pot in armor, too?

Choose from SPECTROL's complete new line of METAL Multi-Turn Precision Potentiometers

At first you may wonder what in blazes our friend in armor, Sir Spectrol, is doing in a serious magazine like this. Well, it's just a bit of trickery on our part to call your attention to Spectrol's 8 new metal multi-turn pots. The first complete line anywhere. Also, to remind you Spectrol makes many other pots, special and standard. There will be more trickery with Sir Spectrol in future issues, but you can easily see through it and there will be plenty of accompanying facts, figures, photos and specs.



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You can choose diameters of 7/8, 1, 1-5/16 and 1-13/16 inches in both 3 and 10-turn models. Resistance ranges to 1,000,000 ohms with standard linearity tolerances of  $\pm 0.25\%$  (0.020% on special order). Like Sir Spectrol, the new multi-turns will take a respectable jolt. They function to 20g vibration from 55 to 2,000 cps and withstand 30g shocks.

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Kulka Electric Corp., Dept. ED, 633-643 S. Fulton Ave., Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

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# Microwave Filter

Range is 3000 to 36,000 mc



Originally designed for C-band operation, this microwave filter can operate with any waveguide size or at any frequency from 3000 to 36,000 mc, and with larger or smaller pass and stop bands. Typical characteristics at the C-band are: 0.3 db maximum insertion loss in the pass band, 1.4 max vswr in the pass band, 30 db minimum rejection in the stop band, and a power capacity of 0.5 mw cw.

Litton Industries, Dept. ED, 336 N. Foothill Rd., Beverly Hills, Calif.

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# **NEW PRODUCTS**

# Potentiometer Wirewound type



Having a 3/4 in. diam, this wirewound potentiometer is especially designed for environmental conditions found in military applications. It has from 25 to 50,000 ohms resistance. The applicable parts of MIL-R-19A, MIL-E-5272A, MIL-R-19518, MIL-R-12934B, and NAS 710 are met. The unit has sealed-type construction for encapsulation.

Maurey Instrument Corp., Dept. ED, 7924 S. Exchange Ave., Chicago 17, Ill.

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# Wavemeters Can be read directly to 0.0001 in.



These secondary-standard, broadband wave-meters can be read directly to 0.0001 in. Large micrometer heads are used, eliminating the need for verniers. The line ranges from 2.6 to 140 kmc in 12 models, each covering the entire waveguide bandwidth. The units have high Q values, which are maintained by the sealed construction and inert gas pressurization. Changes in humidity, altitude, and barometric pressure are provided for. Each unit is individually calibrated and is supplied with a calibration chart.

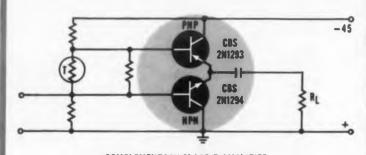
DeMornay-Bonardi, Dept. ED, 780 S. Arroyo Parkway, Pasadena, Calif.

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2N326	7	35	35†	30	8	2N1291
2N1292	20	35	30,∉	30	3	2N1291
2N1294	20	60	45#	30	3	2N1293
2N1296	20	80	60#	30	3	2N1295
2N1298	20	100	80∦	30	3	2N1297

All types have: Max. collector current, 3 amps; storage temperature, -65 to  $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$ . \*25°C base mounting temperature. \$Polarity: NPN positive, PNP negative.  $\dagger l_{\text{CES}} = 1$  ma max.  $\neq l_{\text{CES}} = 10$  ma.



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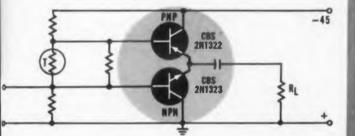
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NPN Type	Package	Max. W. Diss.*	Max. V <sub>CBO</sub> ‡	Max. V <sub>CES</sub> ‡	Min. h <sub>FE</sub> (I <sub>C</sub> = 0.5A)	Max. Thermal Res. <sup>2</sup> C/W	PNP Type
2N1321 2N1329	Male Female	20	35	30#	30	3	2N1320 2N1328
2N1323 2N1330	Male Female	20	60	45#	30	3	2N1322 2N1078
2N1325 2N1332	Male Female	20	80	60#	30	3	2N1324 2N1331
2N1327 2N1334	Male Female	20	100	80#	30	3	2N1326 2N1333

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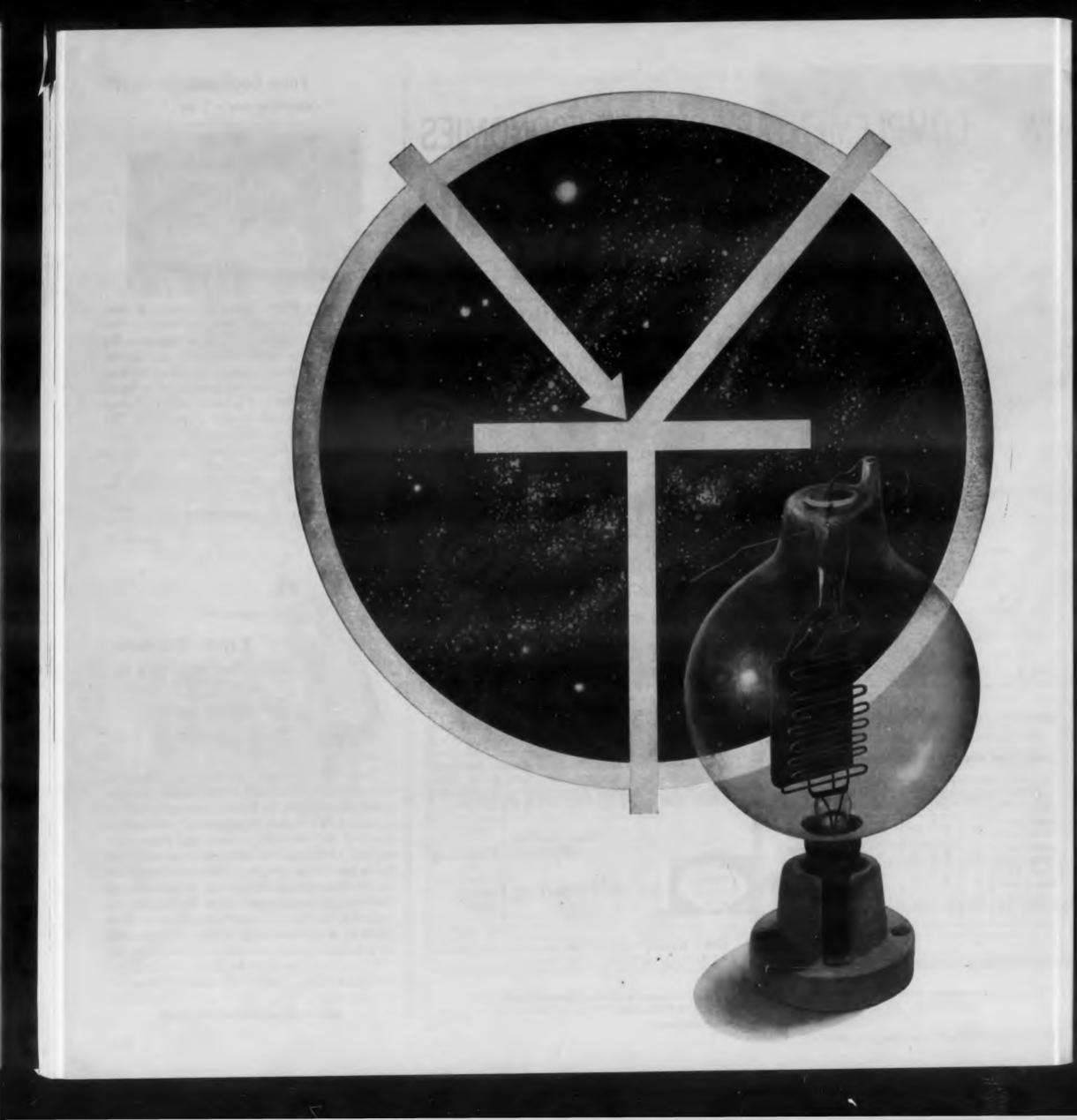


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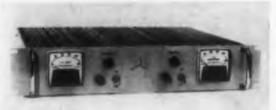
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# **NEW PRODUCTS**

# **Power Supplies**

Provide 110 to 325 v dc



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Trygon Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, Pleasant Ave., Roosevelt, L.I., N.Y.

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# **DC Signal Sources**

For digital programming



Made for digital programming, these dc signal sources accept input signals from such program devices as paper tape recorders and keyboards. Typical uses are in automatic checkout equipment and precision testing applications. Standard units are for three binary-coded decimal digits; other codes can be supplied. The three digits may be fed serially or simultaneously. External contacts must remain closed for 3 sec to register. The unit has a clock closure circuit. The output voltage stability is 0.05% under these conditions: no load to full load, ±10 deg C temperature change, and ± 10% variation in line voltage. Recovery time for a 20% load change is 100 usec. The voltage is adjustable with an accuracy of  $\pm 0.1\%$  and the output ripple is under 0.05%. The unit requires 8-3/4 in. of rack space.

Consolidated Avionics Corp., Dept. ED, 880 Canal St., Stamford, Conn.

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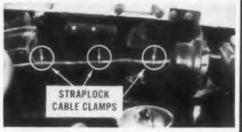
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Julie Research Labs., Inc., Dept. ED, 556 W. 168th St., New York 32, N.Y.

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Two- and three-pole types

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Mack Electric Devices, Inc., Dept. ED, Wyncote, Pa.

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# **Magnetic Switch**

Has plastic shell

Contained in a plastic shell, type MH-2-P magnetic switch is for mounting in areas of limited access and has a quick disconnect plug. A minimum magnetic field transient costs time of 8 msec is needed to activate he switch. The operating life is in acess of 1,000,000,000 operations. Post Machinery Co., Dept. ED, 75 Eliot St., Beverly, Mass.

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10 megapulse operation saturated

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Large power reserve: 150 mW dissipation at

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300° C stabilization of all units

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CIRCUIT

Saturating logic with fewer components

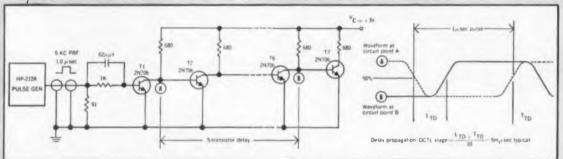
3 to 5 milliampere current level

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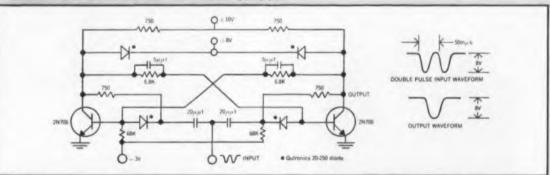
Fairchild's 2N706 provides optimum performance in the most-used logic circuit configurations and has a broad current and power range that covers many alternate approaches. It is ideally suited for high-density modular equipment because of its small size and its high performance in simple, low-power saturated circuits. The 10 megapulse speed is conservative, applying specifically to saturating logic and a 3 to 5 milliampere current level.

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V <sub>СВО</sub>	Collector to base voltage	25 v						
VEBO	Emitter to base voltage	3 v						
	Total dissipation, 100° C free air ambient	150 mw						
hfE	D.C. pulse current gain		15			1_=10mA	$V_{\rm C} = 10v$	
VBE(SAT)	Base saturation voltage				0.9	IC=10mA	I <sub>R</sub> =1m/	
VCE(SAT)	Collector saturation voltage			0.3	0.6	I <sub>C</sub> =10mA	In-1m/	
h <sub>fe</sub>	Small signal current gain at f = 100 mc			4		Ic= 20 mA	V <sub>C</sub> =10v	
Cob	Collector capacitance (140Kc)			3.5 pf	6 pf	I <sub>E</sub> = 0mA	V_=10v	

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Epsco Worchester, Div. of Epsco, Inc., Dept. ED, 588 Commonwealth Ave., Boston 15, Mass.

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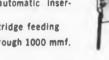
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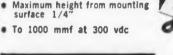
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HERMETIC CONNECTORS.—The DM5600 miniature series and the DHO2 AN series have eyelet or solder pot contacts fused into a single piece of white glass. They stand mechanical shock of 100 g, thermal shock from -100 to +500 F, operate at pressures to 1000 psi, and have a potential of over 2000 v. The DH series mates with MS and MS-E plugs from size 10SL to 32 AN; the DM5000 series mates with rack and panel, standard, and snap-in contact minia-

The Deutsch Co., Electronic Components Div., Dept. ED, Banning, Calif.

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DRAFTING EQUIPMENT.—Set No. 70,242 includes a French curve, an engineer's 6-in. scalemaster, an architect's 6-in. scalemaster, a 6-in. slide rule, a 30 to 60 deg triangle, a 45 to 90 deg triangle, a ruler, a T-square, and protractor calibrated in 1/2 degrees.

Edmund Scientific Co., Dept. ED, Barrington, N.J. CIRCLE 228 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

ANALOG TO DIGITAL CONVERTER.—Type 161 provides a punch paper tape processed in binary coded decimal form for use with special purpose digital computers. It measures from 3 mv to 1000 v dc with an accuracy of ±0.05%. Recording speed is 10 per sec.

Systron Corp., Dept. ED, 950 Galindo St., Concord, Calif.

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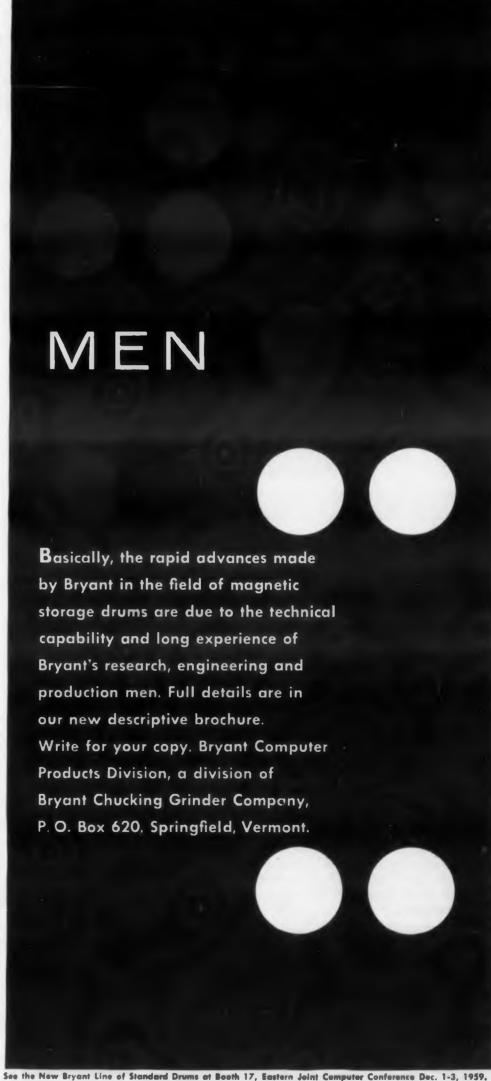
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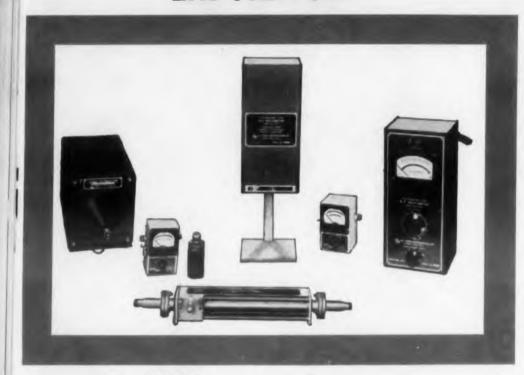
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equipment is used to establish a reference standard of RF power to an accuracy of better than 1% of absolute.

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# **NEW PRODUCTS**

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Arnoux Corp., Dept. ED, 11924 W. Washington Blvd., Los Angeles 66, Calif.

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# For ground support equipment

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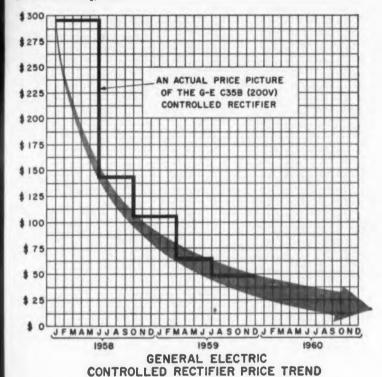
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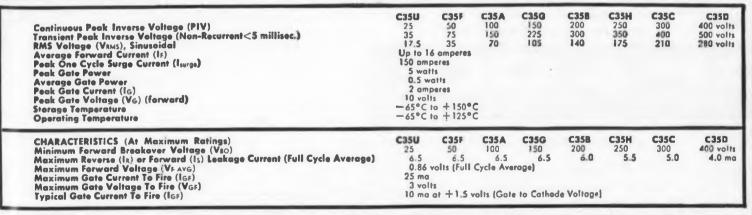
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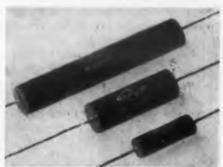
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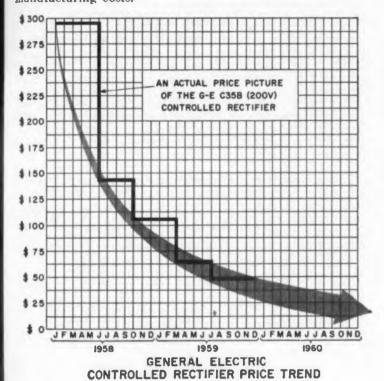
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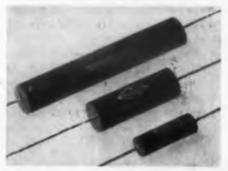
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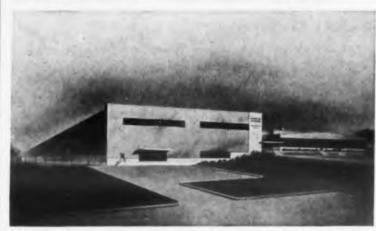
Photo pictures insertion of gold-clad stainless steel heat exchanger into gold-clad power reactor at AEC's Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory. Completely successful in recent operational tests, the unique reactor is designed to produce superheated steam in a single pass. This is the second experimental reactor using uranyl phosphate fuel—the first unit failed because of excessive corrosion in the heat exchanger. Goldcladding now protects all structural parts in contact with the extremely corrosive solution.

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FASTENERS.—One-piece, right-angle, type are available in many configurations for lengths to 3 in. of instrument panels, shock-mounting of equipment in 0.02-in increments. For such uses as attachment in package containers, tubing and wiring harnesses, they have been vibration tested to 43 g with amplitudes to 0.375 in., and at frequencies to 80 cps.

Western Sky Industries, Dept. ED, 21301 Cloud Way, Hayward, Calif.

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ALUMINUM NUTS.-Are self-locking type and have a stainless steel wire form. They meet the requirements of MIL-C-25027 for 550 F operation.

Waltham Precision Instrument Co., Dept. ED, 221 Crescent St., Waltham 54, Mass.

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LATITUDE COUNTER.-Reads directly in degrees and minutes. The characters are 0.125 x 0.075 in. and are furnished in standard or fluorescent enamels. The unit measures 1.725 x 0.5 x 0.75 in. The ballbearing mounted shaft may be operated at 500 rpm constant or up to 1500 rpm intermittent. Mil specs for aircraft are met.

Veeder-Root Inc., Dept. ED, Hartford 2, Conn.

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**ELECTRONIC ASSEMBLY AND MAINTENANCE** TOOLS.—Set 5343-ET-B has special alloy steel tools that are heat treated. Screwdrivers for compact assemblies, pliers, diagonal cutters, drivers, and a pencil-type soldering iron are included in this set of 43 tools.

Snap-on Tools Corp., Dept. ED, 28th Ave., Kenosha, Wis.

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Foto-Video Labs., Inc., Dept. ED, 36 Commerce Rd., Cedar Grove, N. J.

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# **Variable Resistors**

Wirewound

These preset wirewound variable resistors have a resistance range of 1/2 to 5000 ohms and measure 3/4 in in diameter. Positive contact with the resistance winding at every point of rotation is provided by a spring contactor. Continuous contact between contactor, rotor, and cover is also provided. Rotational torque is 2 to 8 oz-in., stop torque is 12 lb-in., and the angle of rotation is 240 ±5 deg without fixed resistor stop. Type 110 has straight or snap-in mounting tabs and terminals for printed circuits and type 112 has a flange type cover for eyelet or rivet mounting.

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Crosby-Teletronics Corp., Vacum Research Div., Dept. ED. 54 Kinkel St., Westbury 4, L.I., N.Y.

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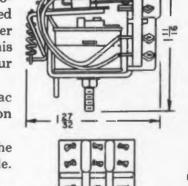
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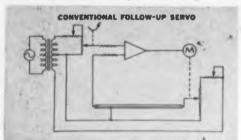
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# How to improve servo performance with Vernistat\* a. c. potentiometers

Typical example shows how they increase servo reliability and accuracy, reduce system complexity and cost

Servos which utilize resistance potentiometers must also include several other components to achieve high accuracy. In addition, these components may increase cost, create added problems in design, and add an element of unreliability.

FOR EXAMPLE, a simple follow-up servo:



Here, to position a remote shaft in accordance with the position of the input shaft, resistance potentiometers and summing resistor networks are used. This requires an accurate center-tapped voltage source, so that the two potentiometers will be excited by equal voltages of opposite phase. When the shafts of the two potentiometers correspond, the input to the amplifier will be zero.

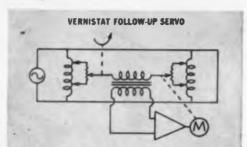
THIS TYPE OF CIRCUIT has inherent difficulties:

1) With usual high potentiometer impedances, pickup from stray electrostatic fields may necessitate shielding of the remote signal leads. Shielding and its capacitance increases phase shift.

2) In the summing resistor network, half of the error voltage appears across each resistor, so that only half of the error voltage appears at the amplifier input. This means a loss of gain of one-half, which must be made up by the amplifier.

3) To achieve terminal linearity and resulting servo accuracy, it is often necessary to end-trim conventional potentiometers.

**CONTRAST THIS CIRCUIT WITH** one which includes the Vernistat a.c. Potentiometer — a fundamentally new, compact device which combines several desirable features not available in standard potentiometers.



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Transistor Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 3357 Republic Ave., Minneapolis 26, Minn.

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# Circulator Tee

Frequency range is 9 to 9.16 kmc



For missile applications, transponders, beacons, and other airborne radar systems, model 380864-1A three-port circulator tee has a frequency range of 9 to 9.16 kmc with isolation at 16 db min. The insertion loss from the transmitter to the antenna is 0.4 db max, and from the antenna to the receiver, 0.2 db max. The input vswr is 1.5 max, peak power is 50 kw, and average power is 50 w.

Kearfott Co. Inc., Microwave Div., Dept. ED, 14844 Oxnard St., Van Nuys, Calif.

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# **Picture Tube**

Needs no safety plate

Type 23KP4 square-cornered picture tube needs no safety plate, and has 114 deg deflection using standard 110 deg sweep components. The tube is 23 in. wide and uses a dark safety glass, called Ultra-Vision, which increases picture contrast and cuts reflected light.

General Electric Co., TV Receiver Dept., Dept. ED, Electronics Park, Syracuse, N.Y.

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# PRECISION TEST RECEIVER



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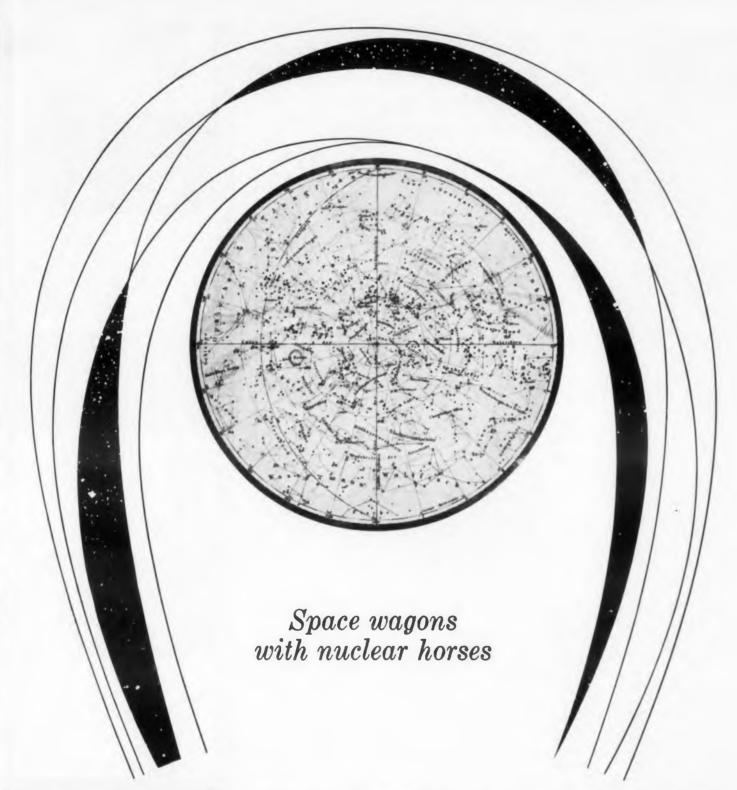
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# Wire Tubing

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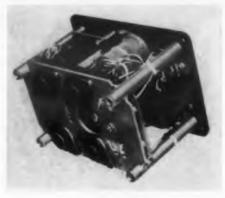
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Zippertubing Co., Dept. ED, 752 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles 14, Calif.

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# Servo Amplifier

Operates dc plus 2 and 3-phase motors



Designed to respond to 400 cps control signals obtained from synchro, induction-potentiometer, or resistance-potentiometer follow ups, model D-3320 servo amplifier operates dc, two-phase, and three-phase motors. The temperature range is -65 to +160 F. Positioning time is as low as 5 sec from travel stop-to-stop. The unit with-stands 10 g vibration at frequencies to 2000 cps and 15 g shock. Solid state electronics are used. The unit is adaptable to aircraft, missile, ordnance, marine, and industrial applications.

Hoover Electric Co., Dept. ED, Hanger Two, Port Columbus Airport, Columbus 19, Ohio.

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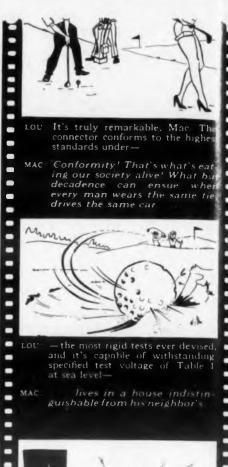
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For short run productions, model AB-4 wire cutter can be operated by inexperienced personnel. Wire may be cut in lengths from 2-1/2 to 25 in. The counter, which determines the number of pieces to be cut, may be set from 0 to 500. Hookup wire and sleeving is cut at the rate of 1000 ft per hr.

Electronic Industries, Dept. ED, 2624 Perliter St., N. Las Vegas, Nev.

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### CIRCLE 296 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

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Dickinson's Electronics, Dept. ED, Sacramento 24, Calif.

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Amatom Electronic Hardware Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 88 Drake Ave., New Rochelle, N. Y.

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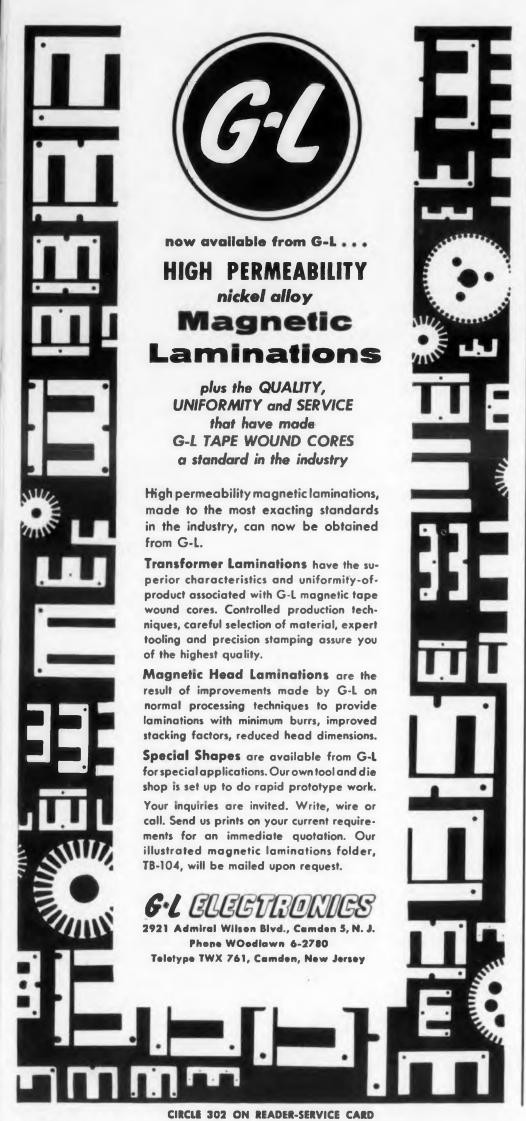
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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

#### **Potentiometer**

Resistance range is 10 ohms to 100 K

Model 224 Trimpot potentiometer has a resistance range of 10 ohms to 100 K, a temperature range of -65 to +175 C, and a power rating of 1 w at 70 C. The resolution is as low as 0.17%. Three terminal configurations are available: insulated stranded leads, solder lugs, and printed circuit pins. The unit weighs 0.1 oz and measures 0.19 x 1.25 x 0.32 in. It meets MIL-STD-202A.

Bourns, Inc., Dept. ED, P.O. Box 2112, Riverside, Calif.

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Frequency Signal Source

Delivers 40 to 4000 cps

For aircraft, missile, and ground control equipment, model MJXO frequency signal source delivers from 400 to 4000 cps. The unit is available with accuracies of  $\pm 0.05\%$ ,  $\pm 0.02\%$ , and  $\pm 0.01\%$ for continuous operation from -55 to +85 C. Operating from a 28 v dc, 20 ma, it furnishes a 0.23 rms min sine wave into equal or more than 2 K load, or 6 v peak-to-peak min clipped sine wave into equal or more than 7.5 K load. The unit is potted in silicone rubber and is hermetically sealed. Variations in waveform, output, and input are available.

Philamon Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 90 Hopper St., Westbury, N.Y.

CIRCLE 304 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

#### **Active Cathode Alloy**

For vacuum tubes

Type X-3012 active cathode alloy is available in the form of seamless, Weldrawn, disc, lockseam, and lapseam cathodes for vacuum tube. Having a high emission rate and a low sublimation rate, this material is made by adding 0.1% zirconium and 2% tungsten to the nickel base. Cathodes made from it can be fired at 700 C without undue softening.

Superior Tube Co., Dept. ED, 1521 Germantown Ave., Norristown, Pa.

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CLINCH NUTS.—Types NKCFM are used in miniature components in aircraft, missiles, and industrial applications. They are effective to 350 F. The integral nylon cap seals pressures to 80 psi past the bolt threads. The installation may be by hand or by using a riveting or spinning technique. Shank lengths are 0.04 to 0.06 in. and minimum thickness is 0.03 in. Available in thread sizes 4-40 through 10-32, they are made of steel, cadmium plated, and stainless steel, plain finish. They meet AN-N-10 and MIL-N-25027 requirements.

Elastic Stop Nut Corp. of America, Dept. ED, 2330 Vauxhall Rd., Union, N. J.

CIRCLE 307 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

STRAIGHTENER AND ORIENTER.

-Type H-100 straightens diode leads and feeds packages into test equipment, taping machines, and marking machines. Typical operating speed is 3600 diodes per hr. Power required is 115 v ac.

Carman Labs., Inc., Dept. ED, 10 Carman Rd., Bedford, Mass.

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CASES.—For housing components or assemblies which must be easily accessible, three sizes of Minislides are available. They are made of aluminum

Bud Radio, Inc., Dept. ED, 2118 E. 55th St., Cleveland 3, Ohio.

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CASES.—Designed for installation of more components than is possible with other cases of the same size, they have both snap lock and screw type fastening and are made of steel or aluminum. Called Miniboxes, they come in 18 sizes

Bud Radio, Inc., Dept. ED, 2118 E. 55th St., Cleveland 3, Ohio.

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VIRE STRIPPERS.—Called Luco, they can strip plastic, polyethylene insulation, and Teflon. Several models are available for either hand or foot predal operation. The model LT 4 can

be modified for solenoid operation, mounted on work tables.

Electronic Applications, Inc., Dept. ED, 194 Richmond Hill Ave., Stamford, Conn.

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WIRE STRIPPER.—Strips wire larger than No. 12 AWG and smaller than No. 36 AWG as well as coaxial cable. Called model F, it can be used with Teflon, vinyl, nylon, mylar, rayon, and polyethylene.

Western Electronic Products Co., Dept. ED, 655 Colman St., Altadena, Calif

CIRCLE 312 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

SILICON DIODES.—Types RD1356 through RD1359 have a resistance to 50,000 meg at 25 C. Forward conductance is 100 ma at +1 v and breakdown voltages range is to 200 v. Mil requirements are met.

Rheem Semiconductor Corp., Dept. ED, 327 Moffett Blvd., Mountain View, Calif.

CIRCLE 313 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

GRID.—For drafting printed circuits, has a tolerance of  $\pm 0.001$  in. over a 36-in. dimension. The material used is Mylar.

Flexigraph Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 998 Farmington Ave., W. Hartford, Conn.

CIRCLE 481 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

RECORDING THERMOMETER.—
Uses a dry stylus and will record in any position. Temperature ranges are +20 to +220 F or -40 to +160 F; time ranges are either 24 hr or 7 days. The unit weighs 14 oz and measures 3-15/16 x 2-7/8 x 3-3/8 in.

Pacific Transducer Corp., Dept. ED, 11836 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles 64, Calif.

CIRCLE 482 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

FREQUENCY CALIBRATOR.—For fm-fm telemetering systems model 520 has a calibration time of 30 sec per channel. External metering is provided and operation may be effected by inexperienced personnel.

Fenske, Fedrick & Miller, Inc., Dept. ED, 12820 Panama St., Los Angeles 66, Calif.

CIRCLE 483 ON READER-SERVICE CARD



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A significant cost reduction in UHF receiver RF front ends is possible by substituting this diode for the RF vacuum tube preamps, associated power supplies and other accessories

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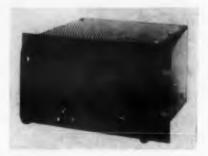
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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

Phase Shifter
Produces 90 deg phase shift



Model 400 phase shift unit produces a 90 deg phase shift with a precision of 0.05 deg. The unit has a low phase gradient with respect to frequency, unity gain, low output impedance, and stable operation. Calibration adjustments are provided for. For operation at 400 cps, the unit has applications in tachometer testing, generating two-phase signals, and phase angle generation. It can be supplied in either full panel or half-panel sizes.

Dytronics, Dept. ED, P.O. Box 3676, Columbus 14, Ohio.

CIRCLE 316 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

### Thermostat Rated at 5.5 amp on 110 to 120 v ac



Type B thermostat operates on the principle of current flowing through the bimetal and generating heat which actuates the bimetal, breaking the circuit. As the device cools, the bimetal returns to the normal position and recloses the contacts. The blade and bimetal are supplied to give any desired performance. The unit is normally rated at 5.5 amp on 110 to 120 v ac. Both screw and quick disconnect terminals are standard; other types are available on special order. Adjustable and non-adjustable types can be furnished.

Clark and Bobertz, Inc., Hickok-Donnelley Div., Dept. ED, 1900 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 15, Ohio.

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#### SPECIFICATIONS

High voltage supply: Continuously variable from 0 to 4 KV at 100 ma; Pulse power: 18 KV at 20 amps max.; Magnetron filament supply: Cont. variable from 0 to 13 volts at 3 A; Rep. rate generator range: Cont. variable from 180 to 3000 pps; Pulse width: 1 microsecond at 70% points, rise time 0.15 microseconds, max. slope 5% (other pulse widths available); Size: 38" h, 22" w, 18" d. Weight: 150 lbs.

Complete 1959 catalog available on request.



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- SENSITIVITY: 0.1 microvolts at 200 ohms for full scale.
- FREQUENCY: 1,000 cps ± 1% (plug-in frequency networks available for 315-4,000 cps and broad-band applications)
- BANDWIDTH: 25-30 cps
- RANGE: 72 db (60 db in 10 db steps, 11 db continuous)
- ACCURACY:  $\pm$  0.1 db per step  $\pm$  0.2 db maximum cumulative meter linearity: 1% of full scale

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SILICON MESA TRANSISTORS.—Are npn, double-diffused type with a switching time of 25 musec. Saturation resistance is 5 ohms. They conform to Mil specs and to JEDEC TO-5.

Rheem Semiconductor Corp., Dept. ED, 327 Moffett Blvd., Mountain View, Calif.

#### CIRCLE 320 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

NAME PLATES.—Are made from color-fast, anodized aluminum. They can be used for marking and decorating electrical equipment such as relays, transformers, regulators, and dial faces. Wiring and circuit diagrams can also be placed on them. They are custom-made in all sizes, designs, and in one or more colors. The name plates can be supplied with various types of adhesives and are resistant to organic solvents and extreme weather conditions.

Allied Decals, Inc., Dept. ED, 8100-35 Hough Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

#### CIRCLE 321 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

MILLIWATTMETER.—Type U-381 is a portable, resistive film, bolometer wattmeter for the measurement of microwave power. It measures power in the 1 to 100 mw range with an accuracy of ±3% over the frequency band of 12 to 18 kmc. The unit has terminals provided for calibrating it against dc power. A micrometer adjustment permits a short-circuiting termination to be set for a vswr near unity at any frequency within the specified range.

Wayne Kerr Corp., Dept. ED, 1633 Race St., Philadelphia 3, Pa.

#### CIRCLE 322 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

TRAVELING WAVE TUBE.—Designed for microwave relay service. These tubes are available in models which cover frequency bands spanning 800 to 4800 mc.

International Telephone and Telegraph Co., Dept. ED, 67 Broad St., New York 4, N. Y.

#### CIRCLE 323 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

STEPPING RELAY.—Operates at a step rate of 8 per sec. It is a 12-position unit. Three of these relays have operated for more than 60 million revolutions with no indication of impending failure in life tests.

International Telephone and Telegraph Corp., Dept. ED, 67 Broad St., New York 4, N. Y.

#### CIRCLE 324 ON READER-SERVICE CARD

DPDT CHOPPER.—Model C1430-1 is a 9-pin plugin unit with make-before-break-after action. Excitation frequency is 260 to 440 cps. The unit operates in temperatures from -65 to +125 C and will take 30 g of shock. The case measures 1/4 x 1-3/8 in. Model C1430 is a 9-pin general purpose unit that also has an excitation frequency of 360 to 440 cps. Other specifications are the same as for the C1430-1.

The Bristol Co., Aircraft Equipment Div., Dept. ED, Waterbury 20, Conn.

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#### Binswinger on Progress

Count Vladimir Butts Binswinger (1745-1810), inventor of the mnemonic alarm clock, said it: "All progress comes from man's desire to live beyond his income." A shocking thought, which devotees of Poor Richard's Almanac will indignantly reject with a frisson of well-bred horror.

We at HOOVER ELECTRONICS think Vladimir had something. Who doesn't want something better, even if it costs the earth with a platinum fence around it? The hopeful note in all this (optimists that we are) is that HOOVER is constantly trying to provide the *ultimate*... at the *reasonable* price. And (nobody'll say it if we don't) with fair success, too.

A fair example, to put it modestly, is the gismo shown below, which considerately lets existing FM/FM telemetering systems now in use at missile bases "live beyond their income" on a Scot's purse.

This Mixer Amplifier, no bigger than a baby's hand, is a part of the HOOVER Vernitel system, which improves accuracy of FM/FM telemetering systems by a whole order of magnitude, prolonging their lives in as humanitarian an effort as ever came out of a supposedly soulless corporation. Ask us for spec sheets.





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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

### Wavemeters Absorption type



This series of absorption wavemeters offers the following frequency ranges: model RDW-5R, 1 to 2 kmc; model RDW-6R, 2 to 4 kmc; and model RDW-7R, 4 to 8 kmc. All models have a built-in crystal detector and a micrometer movement which is readable to 0.0001 in. The off-resonance insertion loss is less than 1 db and the insertion loss at resonance is about 2 db. The vswr is below 1.5; the loaded Q is greater than 2000. Each unit is furnished with a calibrated chart activated to 0.1%. Electrical foreshortening results in a maximum length of 14 in. for the largest unit.

Radar Design Corp., Dept. ED, Pickard Drive, Syracuse 11, N.Y.

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Frequency Generator

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Provides 60 to 4000 cps

Model TFGX frequency generator, incorporating a tuning fork oscillator, provides from 60 to 4000 cps and a variety of output waveforms and voltages. It operates from 28 v dc to furnish 6 v peak-to-peak square wave or pulse into equal or more than 7.5 K load, or alternately a 1 rms filtered sine wave into equal or more than 10 K with less than 1% distortion. Binary frequency dividers offer lower frequencies with over-all accuracy and stability ranges from 0.001% to 0.05%. The unit is potted in silicone rubber and hermetically sealed.

Philamon Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, 90 Hopper St., Westbury, N.Y.

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Magnetic recording has reach the point where a better tape, itself, can significantly improve the performance of your equiment. Anticipating this, Ampa has developed its Instrument tion Tape to assure the higher capability that the state of the art requires.

Precision tape reliability comprincipally from the propertion of its coating. And Ampex conbines oxide preparation and carful coating techniques with the exclusive Ferro-Sheen process produce the smoothest, most chesive, most uniform of precision tapes. The result is measurable higher signal-to-noise ratios, at much less tape wear.

This, with its squared-up hystoesis curve, makes Ampex Instruentation Tape ideal for all recording systems: direct, FM-carier, PDM, and NRZ-digital.

Ampex Instrumentation Tape available on hubs, NAB-type die-cast magnesium - alloy Presion Reels. Widths of 4", 4 and 1" are standard on eith Mylar\* or acetate base, in the following lengths, reel diameter and base thicknesses:

#### AMPEX STANDARD TAPE LENGTHS (feet)

REEL DIAMETER	BASE THICKNE	SS (mils)
7"	1800	1250
1035"	3600	2500
14"	7200	5000

For complete specifications additional tape literature, wr

#### AMPEX MAGNETIC TAP

934 CHARTER STREET, REDWOOD CITY, CA

#### Microammeter

Range is 0 to 50 µa

This recording type dc microammeter has a range of 0 to 50 µa with an input resistance of about 200 ohms. Ranges of 0 to 10, 50 and 200 my dc are also included. A magnetic amplifier, powered by 120 v, 60 cps, is combined with a permanent-magnet moving-coil movement. Accuracy is within 2% of full scale. The instrument can be used in series with or as a substitute for indicating instruments that give only instantaneous readings. Chart speeds are 3/4 in. per hr through 12 in. per min. Portable or mounting type models with motor or spring driven chart drives are offered.

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#### Solenoids

Coils are encapsulated

Series 801 double-T solenoids have a layer of epoxy resin for protection from moisture, water, machine oils, diluted acids, and harmful alkalies. The double-T design provides almost level pull characteristics throughout the plunger stroke. As the plunger decreases, the gap in the frame is bridged by the extra T-section on the plunger, providing additional pull and preventing a drop in power. Type 801 has a maximum stroke of 5/8 in., a formed pull-bar, and a 1/2-in. stack. Type 812 has a maximum stroke of 1-1/16 in., a straight pull-bar with reinforced slugs, and a 3/4 or 1-in. stack. Type 821 has a maximum stroke of 1-3/8 in., a formed pullbar, and a 1-in. stack. Each is available for either constant or intermittent duty at 110 or 220 v, 60 cps. Units for dc may be ordered.

Controls Co. of America, Industrial and Commercial Controls Div., Dept. ED, 9555 Soreng Ave., Schiller Park, Ill.

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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

#### **DC** Motors

Have constant speed



These constant speed dc motors are for such uses as controlling circuits from a battery. With operating voltages from 3 to 110 v dc and from 0.06 to 2 w input power, up to 150 oz-in. of torque can be produced at 1 rpm. Speeds from 900 rpm to 1 revolution in 24 hr can be provided. Severe environmental conditions, including vibration, gravity, and temperature, are provided for. Amglo Corp., Dept. ED, 4325 N. Ravenswood

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Ave., Chicago 13, Ill.

#### Counter

Has selectable digital time base



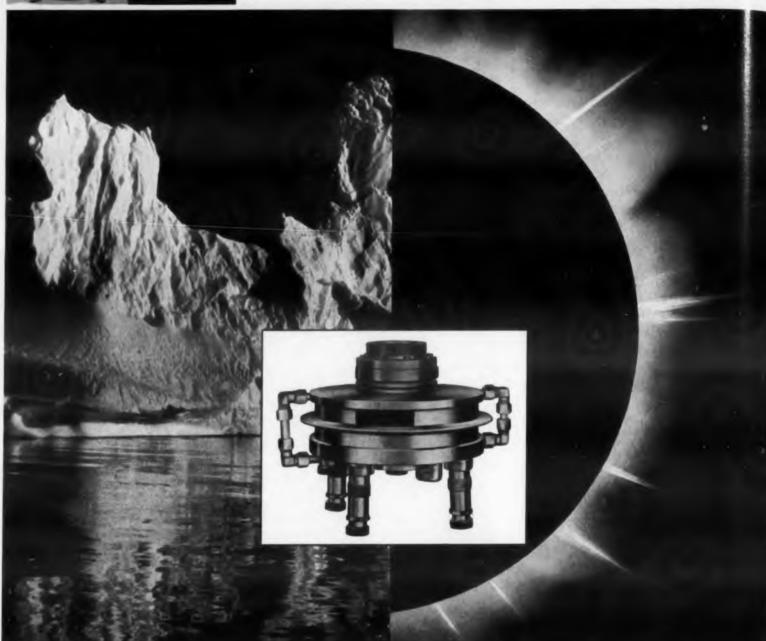
Equipped with a highly variable counting interval, model 5311 counter provides indications of flow, pressure, and speed in units such as psi, rpm, and gal per sec. The counting interval may be varied in steps of 10 μsec from 10 μsec to 1 sec. The frequency counting range is 10 cps to 200 kc. The counter makes period measurements by timing the duration of 1 to 100,000 cycles in 10-μsec units. It is possible to produce a percentage indication of deviation from any given frequency by timing the number of input cycles. The internal time standard has a stability of 3 parts in 10<sup>7</sup> per day at a constant temperature. The ambient temperature range is −5 to +150 F.

Beckman Instruments, Inc., Berkeley Div., Dept. ED, 2200 Wright Ave., Richmond 3, Calif.

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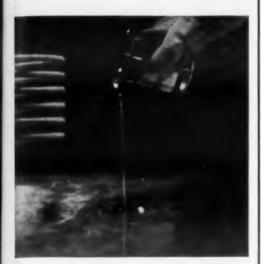
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It has a wide liquid range of -148°F. It has a wide liquid range of -148°F. to 212°F. at atmospheric pressure, with low viscosity. In addition, it offers these useful properties: high dielectric strength of 37KV; self-healing, maintaining dielectric strength after repeated high voltage arcing. Compatible with most materials used in high temperature equipment. Thermally stable in excess of 800°F., it prevents development of hot spots in equipment. Prevents sludge formation due to hydrolysis or oxidation.

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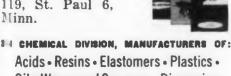
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COATING.—For spray coating of metal parts to provide anti-stick properties or for corrosion resistance or electrical insulation. The coating is made from Teflon and Kel-F. Custom coatings of from one to 20 mils in thickness can be applied to specification.

R. S. Hughes Co., Inc., Dept ED, 4515 Alger St, Los Angeles 39, Calif.

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INSERT.—Meets fastener requirements in electronic equipment. The S110 insert requires hole drilling only and can be used in open or blind applications. The insert provides load bearing, wear resistant, self-locking threads for holes in materials such as plate or cast aluminum, magnesium and cast iron. It can be used to temperatures as high as 450 F.

Rivet Tool Co., Dept. ED, 2600 W. 247th St., Torrance, Calif.

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CRADLE HEAD.—Permits tilting and panning television cameras by remote control. This makes possible positioning of cameras in inaccessible and dangerous locations. The control cradle head is powered by two separate motors which tilt the camera 30 deg up and 38 deg down and rotate it 370 deg. They are housed in soundproof housings for silent operation. Manual operation is also possible.

Houston Fearless Corp., Dept. ED, 11849 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles 64, Calif.

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PROTECTIVE COMPOUND.—For protecting electric motor stator windings against moisture, dirt, abrasives, chemicals and other contaminants. Called Hysol 10-55, it is a two-component system which is mixed 1 to 1 by volume. The usual curing oven temperatures are used for preheating the motor and for curing the compound.

Houghton Laboratories Inc., Dept. ED, Olean, N. Y.

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POTTING COMPOUND—For power transformers, the B-1317 material has a coefficient of shrinkage of 0.0002 in. per in. It offers adhesion to metal and a +265 F cold flow resistance. Good pour characteristics are obtained at +330 to +350 C.

Biwax Corp., Dept. ED, 3445 Howard St., Skokie, Ill.

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POWER SUPPLIES.—Chopper stabilization is now available as an optional accessory on Regatron power supplies. The chopper stabilizer raises the stability and regulation fixtures for the Regatron units by a factor of from 10 to 50.

Electronic Measurements Co. Inc., Dept. ED, Eatontown, N. J.

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### PRECISION LINEAR ACCELEROMETERS

## are rugged and right!

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Each of the basic models illustrated at the right is representative of a series of similar units which vary only in output characteristics. They are available and were developed to satisfy a special requirement but can now be considered as standard production items...completely tooled, qualified, proved in actual use ...ready for immediate order.

For complete information on a Pacific accelerometer designed to your own requirements... or on a modification of these units, WRITE TODAY. The engineering skill and creative ability of Pacific Scientific are at your service.



For High Response Systems ... Series 4204 Linear accelerometer provides extreme sensitivity, large output AC signal. Maintains a high natural frequency and

Maintains a high natural frequency and low cross talk. Temperature compensated fluid damping provides exceptional dynamic characteristics without heater.



Highly Accurate . . . Series 4202

Unique torsion-bar suspension gives very low hysteresis with exceptionally rugged, long life. Single or dual pot and/or switch pick-off provides versatility. Automatic caging mechanism.



#### Light and little ... Series 4201

This miniature accelerometer is a versatile, high production instrument with unusual flexibility of design and performance characteristics. Maintains accurate signals thru long service life.

Potentiometer pick-off.



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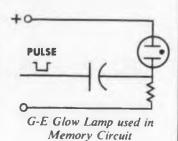
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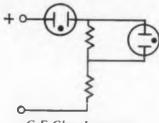
1. As a MEMORY DEVICE, because of the differential between starting and operating voltages. Both the General Electric NE-96 and NE-97 are well suited for switching circuits and counters where they can function as transfer elements and as indicators of state or sequence.





#### 2. As a VOLTAGE INDICATOR.

because of their critical starting voltage. The G-E NE-76 and the NE-81 are stabilized and selected for close tolerance on starting voltage. Both find use in gating circuits, logic matrices, switching circuits or as an indicator of input or output levels.

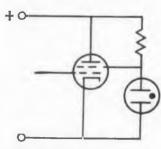


G-E Glow Lamps as Multiple Voltage Indicators



#### 3. As a VOLTAGE REGULATOR.

because of their constant operating voltage range. The General Electric NE-68 and its "first cousin", the G-E NE-80 (closer tolerance), function effectively wherever voltage regulation is required. (Glow Lamps for higher current applications are also available.)

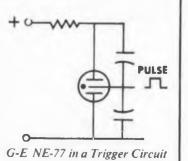


G-E Glow Lamp used as a Voltage Regulator



#### 4. As a TRIGGERED SWITCH.

A low current signal applied to the trigger (third electrode) starts this lamp, permitting conductance of peak current surges up to 100 m.a. in the power circuit. It can be used in counting circuits or as a control device with photocells, thermostats or moisture sensors in trigger circuit.



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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

#### Wirewound Potentiometer

Rating is 4 w at 40 C



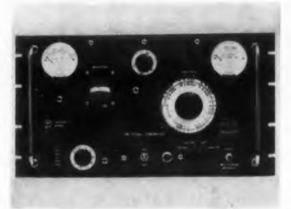
Type 45 wirewound potentiometer has a power rating of 4 w at 40 c, derated to zero at 135 C. The unit has a 1-1/8 in. diam. The resistance range is from 1 ohm to 10 K, linear; resistance tolerances are  $\pm 10\%$  or closer. It is available with one tap at  $50\% \pm 2\%$  resistance, at any position electrically. Series 45M, made to meet Mil specs, can also be supplied. Mechanical and electrical rotation is 300 deg, 280 deg effective. Torque is 1.2 to 6 oz-in.

Clarostat Manufacturing Co., Inc., Dept. ED, Dover, N.H.

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#### **Signal Generator**

Covers 150 to 280 mc



Designed for telemetry applications, model 100 TM fm signal generator has a total range of 150 to 280 mc. It can be used with beating units to provide lower carrier frequencies. Its 300-kc deviation permits direct sweeping of if stages. Spurious outputs are harmonics of the oscillator only. The unit conforms to JCEC specs and meets all telemetry requirements for carrier frequency, deviation, and modulating frequency. It occupies 10-1/2 in. of panel space.

Waltham Electronics Corp., Waltham, Mass.

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#### Rheumatic **Heart Disease**

Tommy had an attack of rheumatic fever, frequent forerunner of rheumatic heart disease. Fortunately for him, his heart was not damaged.

Rheumatic fever, usually preceded by a "strep" infection, often strikes the same victim more than once. With each attack comes a new danger of heart damage.

Tommy's parents no longer live in fear of rheumatic heart disease, however. Through research, medical science has developed new methods of controlling "strep" infection and preventing recurrences of rheumatic fever.

For more facts about prevention, see your physician or ask your Heart Association.

For more research progress against the heart diseases . . .



#### **Recording System**

For use with computers

This recording system, called Dacom, reads magnetic tape from a computer and records characters on microfilm. The unit operates at 16,500 characters per sec. As many as 66 lines of 130 characters can appear as a page; these are microfilmed at more than 2 frames per sec. A roll of 1000 ft of 16-mm film contains the decoded information from more than 35 reels of 2400-ft magnetic tape.

Eastman Kodak Co., Dept. ED, 343 State St., Rochester 4, N.Y.

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## Oscillograph Recording System

Has eight channels



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> Model 958-1500 direct wiring oscillograph recording system accepts up to eight floating or grounded inputs. It has a maximum sensitivity of 10 µv per chart division. All circuitry is transistorized and features include up to eight channels of amplification, and a common power supply. Plug-in printed circuit units are used and the system can be adapted for use with other readout devices. The system has a linearity of ±0.4%. Frequency response is from 0 to 100 cps within 3 db at 10 divisions peak-topeak amplitude. There is a choice of eight switch-selected sensitivities. The enclosed galvanometers have velocity feedback damping.

> Sanborn Co., Industrial Div., Dept. ED, 175 Wyman St., Waltham 5, Mass.

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SMALLEST LIGHTEST CARCINOTRONS

with wide band sole tuning

Though it has just recently made its debut into the high society of Litton microwave tubes, this carcinotron (our model L-3298) has already been commended by the military for its exceptionally clean design. Every engineer concerned with upgrading the performance of ECM equipment will surely find much of interest in this medium-power tube, with which Litton takes a major stride toward truly simultaneous noise-jamming capability by affording faster tuning rates than any previously attainable.

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We cite these firsts not for glory's sake, but rather for their meaningful contribution to more efficient system design, smaller size and lighter weight. The notable suitability of these carcinotrons is not limited to ECM. You can also consider them for other military applications such as drivers for communications links—in fact, wherever medium-power tubes with extremely rapid tuning and low tuning power are required.

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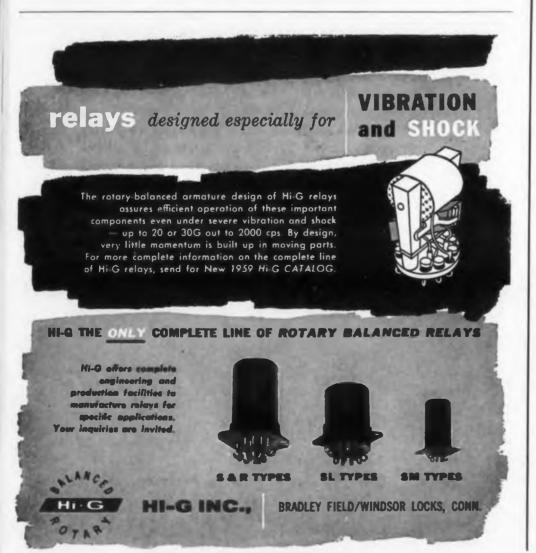


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Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 900 Bush Ave., St. Paul 6, Minn.

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#### High Voltage Tester

For automated production testing



Model 8514 high voltage tester, called Hypot, provides sensing and control circuits for automated production testing of motors, controls, capacitors, and transformers. It also makes breakdown tests of insulation in controls, cables, bushings, and other components. The unit has an automatic rate of rise on high voltage dc test potential and an adjustable automatic shutoff of voltage and leakage current meter. The timer shunts the leakage current microammeter for 0 to 5 min while capacitance loads draw to 10 ma for rapid charging. The unit provides automatic shorting of internal and external circuits upon release of high potential test voltage. A selector switch may be set for manual, semi-automatic, or fully automatic operation.

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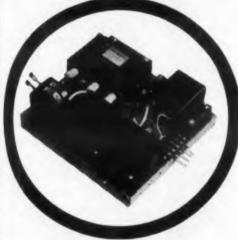
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The A. W. Haydon Co., Dept ED, Waterbury 20, Conn.

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Keystone Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, Warren, Mich.

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MIXER-PREAMPLIFIER.-This line of matched mixer-preamplifier units covers the 8.5 to 9.6 kmc range. It has a minimum gain of 25 db, a maximum noise figure of 7.5 db and a 50-ohm if output at 30 or 60 mc. Model MMX-2 is available with or without an integral variable attenuator in the LO

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SPECIFICATIONS

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KEY SPECIFICATIONS (Model PS-207 Series unit)

FM SYSTEM: Frequency response  $\pm 1/2$  db 0-10 kc, S/N ratio 43 db, better than 1.5% total harmonic distortion, less than 2% drift 40° to 120° F., linearity 1%. DIRECT SYSTEM: Response  $\pm 3$  db 50-100,000 cps.

POWER: 115 vac, 48-62 cps or 24 vdc.

FLUTTER: Less than 0.1% rms dc to 300 cps or .5% peak-to-peak at 30 lps. PS-207 shown contains electronics for 7 record/reproduce channels.

After you note these key specs, may we suggest you call your PI representative to arrange a demonstration? If you are uncertain who he is, please write direct. Address Dept. 1911.

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#### **NEW PRODUCTS**

#### **Sweep Generators**

Output is from 20 to 1000 mc



Model SP-103, SP-104, SP-105 and SP-106 cover center-frequency ranges of 20 to 100 mc, 100 to 250 mc, 250 to 500 mc and 500 to 1000 mc, respectively. Sweep widths are variable from near zero to over 20% of the center frequency. The two low frequency units use inductively tuned oscillators. The other two are designed with cavitytuned oscillator circuits. All oscillators produce the specified output of over 15 v rms into 50 ohms, which is equivalent to 4 to 5 w. The output is held constant within ±5% over the maximum sweep width by use of age circuits controlling the oscillator's B+ voltage. For load isolation, a 3 db pad is provided between the oscillator and the ouput jack. There is a vernier attenuator with a range of about 0 to 10 db. Display linearity is better than 1.2 to 1. Source vswr for the instruments is normally below 1.3 to 1.

Telonic Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, Beech Grove, Ind.

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#### Audio-Video Amplifier

Range is to 20 mc

Called the Transifier, this transistorized, wideband, audio-video amplifier has a gain that is 3 db down at 20 mc in the 10 db position. The gain is down 3 db at 15 mc in the 20 db position. A voltage amplification of 30 and 100 is realized when two are used in series. The input impedance in the 10 db position is 15  $\mu\mu$ f and 20,000 ohms; output impedance is about 75 ohms. In the 20 db position, the inherent noise is less than 10 mv. The maximum voltage output is 0.2 v rms in the 10 db position and 0.3 v in the 20 db position. The gain, in the 10 db position is no more than 3 db down at 15 cycles and, in the 20 db position, no more than 3 db, down at 20 cycles. Dimensions are 2.25 x 1.15 x 4.5 in., and the weight is 15 oz.

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General Electric Co., Receiving Tube Dept., Dept. ED, Owensboro,

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#### Cross-Guide Coupler

Covers 7 to 10 kmc

Model RDC-710 cross-guide coupler, having one arm terminated in matched load, provides 20 and 30 db coupling with a frequency sensitivity of 1 db over the range of to 10 kmc. The average coupling is a nominal  $\pm 0.5$  db, directivity is 18 db min, and vswr is 1.05 max. The unit is also available with a ourth flange replacing the matched load Applications include scaling high power to the level of ordinary nstruments.

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220A	0-50 V DC	0500 MA	0.1	0.05	0.1	0.95	1							
221A	0—100 V DC	0 500 MA	0.1	0.05	0.1	0.05	1							
213A	050 V DC	0—1 AMP	0.1	0.05	0.1	0.05	1							
214A	0-100 V DC	0-1 AMP	0.1	0.05	0.1	0.05	1							
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Vibration Instrument

For testing accelerometers

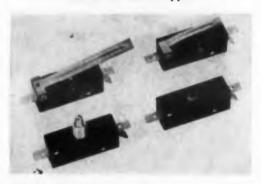
This accelerometer sensitivity standardizer, called Dial-a-gain, converts all accelerometer sensitivities to 1 v per g to allow direct reading of acceleration on any vtvm. The unit includes a cathode follower input and a precision amplifier with a continuously variable gain control dial, calibrated directly in accelerometer sensitivities.

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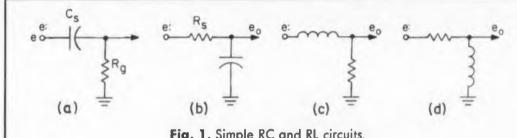
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**Fig. 1.** Simple RC and RL circuits. Subscripts shown apply throughout article.

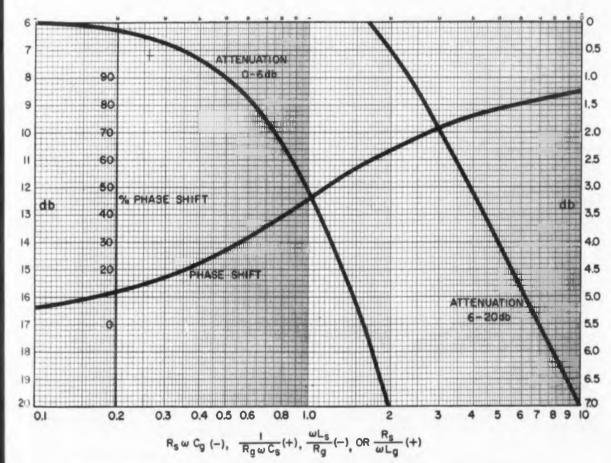


Fig. 2. Universal curve for the four single-section configurations shown in Fig. 1. Plus and minus signs on abscissa indicate the direction of phase shift (Abbreviations in abscissa: S, series element; G element to ground; Plus, e<sub>0</sub> leads e<sub>1</sub>; minus, e<sub>0</sub> logs e<sub>1</sub>).

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Calculating transfer functions for even simple RC and RL circuits can be time-consuming. To simplify the designer's task, Mr. Moffat has analyzed many of the most common circuits and here presents their transfer functions, curves and nomograms. Some discussion is included on the effects of loading, so that exact equations can be used where approximations are not valid.

In Part I an analysis of single sections is made. Part II, in a future issue of ELEC-TRONIC DESIGN, will discuss phase manipulation in single sections. Part III will analyze multiple sections and discuss the optimum number of sections for achieving a desired phase shift. RC differentiation, with nomograms, will be covered in the same part.

FOUR COMMON RC-RL circuits of interest are shown in Fig. 1. If loading is negligible, the transfer functions for the circuits are:

Fig. 1a

$$\frac{e_o}{e_i} = \frac{R_o}{R_o + \frac{1}{j \omega C_o}} = \frac{1 / \arctan \frac{1}{\omega R_o C_o}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{\omega^2 R_o^2 C_o^2}}} \tag{1}$$

Fig. 1h

$$\frac{e_o}{e_i} = \frac{\frac{1}{j \omega C_o}}{R_o + \frac{1}{j \omega C_o}} = \frac{\frac{1}{j \omega C_o} - \arctan \omega R_o C_o}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 R_o^2 C_o^2}}$$
(2)

Fig. 1c

$$\frac{e_o}{e_i} = \frac{R_g}{R_g + j \omega L_s} = \frac{1 \cdot \left[ -\arctan \frac{\omega L_s}{R_g} \right]}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{\omega^2 L_s^2}{R_g^2}}}$$
(3)

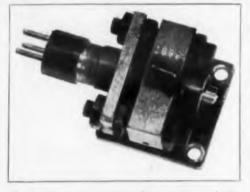
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## Nickelectric News

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DEVELOPMENTS IN NICKEL AND NICKEL ALLOYS AND THEIR APPLICATIONS





Works after impact! This klystron dropped 158 miles in a Viking rocket — was recovered after impact in operating condition! Nickel alloy materials contribute to rugged performance of this and other klystrons made by Varian Associates, 611 Hansen Way, Palo Alto, Calif.

## Klystron drops 158 miles ...still works!

PALO ALTO, CAL. This Varian V-55 klystron has soared up 158 miles in a Viking missile — dropped to earth. Recovered after impact, it still works!

covered after impact, it still works!
Rugged klystrons like this don't just happen. They're designed and built for top performance under extreme shock, severe G-loads, supersonic vibration. Nickel alloy materials do much to overcome these problems and provide reliability.

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stron electron beams.

Pertinent literature: Bulletin T-15 —

"Engineering Properties of Nickel."

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200 nickel-containing parts

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target and electron-multiplier.

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Pertinent literature: "Design of Nickel Magnetostrictive Transducers." (Circle R.S. # 564)

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Pertinent literature: "Nickel Alloys for Electronic Uses." (Circle R.S. # 565)



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Fig. 1d  $\frac{e_o}{e_i} = \frac{j \omega L_o}{R_s + j \omega L_o} = \frac{1 \left| \arctan \frac{R_s}{\omega L_g} \right|}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{R_s^2}{\omega^2 + L_o^2}}}$ 

Because these four simple circuits are so commonly used in all frequency bands, a universal curve is given in Fig. 2, where attenuation is expressed in decibels. The abscissa is normalized impedance ratio and is written in four ways; the applicable one can be determined by comparing the subscripts with those of Fig. 1. Whenever possible, the subscript s will be used to designate an element that is in series with the signal, and g will go with an element that is grounded. Plus and minus signs on the abscissa of Fig. 2 indicate the direction of phase shift.

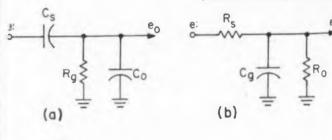
#### Loading

The circuit of Fig. 1a is often seen in interstage coupling, with the output going to a tube. Under certain conditions there will then be a shunt capacitance across  $R_{\sigma}$  that cannot be neglected. The equivalent circuit then is like that in Fig. 3a.

Analysis of this circuit shows that except at dc, there will always be more attenuation than there was with no loading. The fractional amount of difference—error—is

$$\delta = 1 - \sqrt{\frac{1 + 1/\omega^2 R_g^2 C_s^2}{(1 + C_o/C_s)^2 + 1/\omega^2 R_g^2 C_s^2}}$$
 (5)

Note that error is not constant, but is a function of both capacitance ratio and frequency, with any particular capacitance ratio having increasing error with increasing frequency. Eq. 5 is plotted (Continued on page 156)



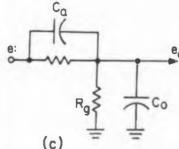
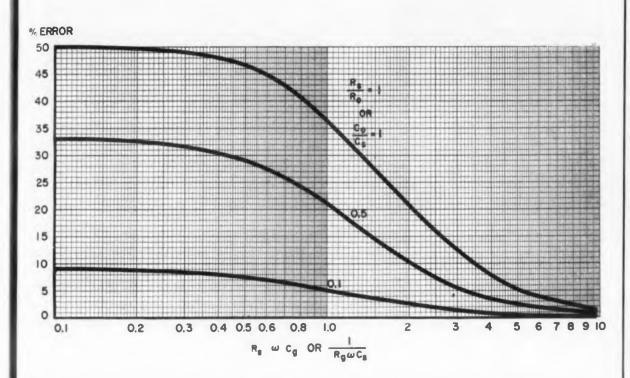


Fig. 3. Equivalent cireo cuits of Fig. 1, given (a) shunt capacitance across R<sub>s</sub>, (b) resistive loading and (c) shunt capacitance across R<sub>s</sub>.

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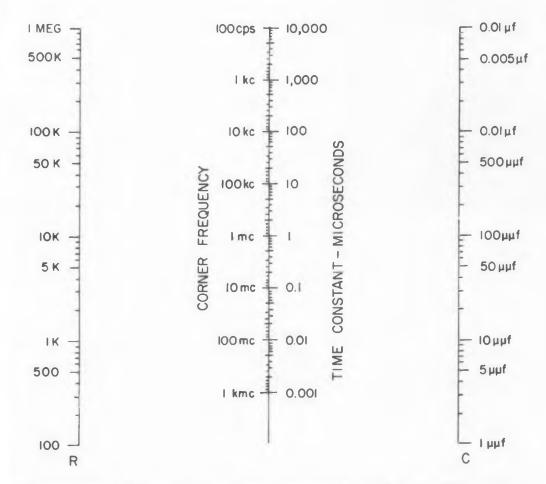
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Fig. 4. Plot of error in circuit of Fig. 3(a). Error is a function of both capacitance ratio and frequency. Abscissa is normalized impedance ratio, and the parameter is capacitance ratio.



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in Fig. 4, where the abscissa is again normalized impedance ratio, and the parameter is capacitance ratio.

#### Nomogram

To reduce the high-frequency discrimination of capacitive loading, the series resistor can be shunted with a capacitor, as in Fig. 3c. For best results, the time constants are made equal:

$$R_s C_a = R_o C_o \tag{6}$$

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The nomogram is a convenient tool to work out Eq. 6. Note that no subscripts are used on the nomogram: both scales correspond to both sides of the equation. First use the  $R_{\theta}C_{\bullet}$  time constant and draw a line through the proper values on the R and C scales. Next use the point where this line crosses the Turning Scale as a pivot about which to rotate a straight edge. Every combination of R and C that the straight edge joins is a valid combination of  $R_{\theta}$  and  $C_{\theta}$  to compensate  $R_{\theta}$  and  $C_{\theta}$ .

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The circuit of Fig. 1b is not subject to error through capacitive loading, because any shunt capacitance can be simply added to  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . The circuit might, however, have undesirable resistive loading—such as a grid return resistor. In the region above tens of megacycles, the tube itself may present a resistive input as low as 1000 ohms.

The resultant equivalent circuit is shown in Fig. 3b, and the error is given by

$$\delta = 1 - \sqrt{\frac{1 + \omega^2 R_e^2 C_g^2}{(1 + R_s/R_g)^2 + \omega^2 R_s^2 C_g^2}}$$
 (7)

Error is now a function of both resistance ratio and frequency, decreasing with increasing frequency. When  $R_o$  is much larger than  $R_o$ , Eq. 7 approaches zero and Eq. 2 can be used with negligible error. By using resistance ratio as the parameter, the designer can use Fig. 4 to evaluate Eq. 7.

Part II of this series will discuss manipulation of the phase response of a single section. Three nomograms will be included to find  $\phi_{max}$ , a value of capacitance to place  $\phi_{max}$  at a given frequency and to select values to locate the phase maximum at any given frequency for another circuit.

#### NEW LITERATURE

#### Analog To Digital Processor

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Details of MicroSadic, a high-speed analog to digital processor are presented in this illustrated, four-page bulletin, No. 3004. The machine acquires, digitizes, and stores data at a maximum rate of 10,000 samples per second. Operations, design details, and specifications are given. Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif.

#### **Amplifier Measurements**

This booklet, entitled "Standard Methods of Measurement for Amplifiers" is the second of a series designed to establish comprehensive measurement standards for high fidelity components. The standard defines terms and test conditions and lists tests and ratings for amplifier output, sensitivity, frequency response, distortion, hum and noise, and damping factor. Send \$1.00 to Institute of High Fidelity Manufacturers, 125 E. 23rd St., New York, N.Y.

#### Digital Subsystems

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Functionally packaged digital subsystems are described in this four-page, illustrated folder. The folder describes the versatility of the units as elements of digital subsystems. Included are photographs and specifications of available digital modules, such as a: forward-backward counter. bistable multivibrator, exclusive OR gate, AND gate, Schmitt trigger, and monostable multivibrator. Servomechanisms, Inc., 12500 Aviation Blvd., Hawthorne, Calif.

#### Microwave Measurements

Measurement of impedance and its associated parameters in waveguide systems through use of a sliding termination with specific reflection characteristics is discussed in this report entitled Waveguide Sliding Shorts, Sliding Terminations, and Standard Mismatches." Use of sliding shorts for precision measurement of impedance (scattering matrix), insertion loss, attenuation and propagation constants, dielectric constant, slotted section curves, wavelength, and frequency are also covered. The article covers ways in which standard mismatches can be employed as reference standards of reflection-and therefore, vswragainst which various microwave test components may be calibrated. Photographs are included in Vol. 6, No. 2 of "PRD Reports." Polytechnic Resea ch & Development Co., Inc., 202 Tillary St., Breoklyn 1, N.Y.

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Bulletin GEA-7008, four pages, provides detailed information on wet-type. sintered porous-anode tantalum capacitors used where extremely high capacitance values are required in the smallest possible space. The bulletin explains performance characteristics and advantages of the units and includes four tables. five graphs, outline drawings and complete ratings and dimensions. Actual size photographs are included. General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N.Y.

#### Semiconductor Diodes

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This replacement characteristics and guide for semiconductor diodes contains complete data on the firm's diodes as well as replacement information on all EIA registered diodes. A digital automatic tester and classifier is also described in the 12-page brochure. Sylvania Electric Products Inc., 1100 Main St., Buffalo 9, N.Y.

#### **Accelerometers**

Accelerometer methods and techniques are described in this 20-page, illustrated manual "Series 2200 Accelerometers." Application information, mounting techniques, fixtures, and use of piezoelectric accelerometers for shock measurements are included in this booklet. Endevco Corp., 161 E. California Blvd., Pasadena. Calif.



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#### 427 Microwave Instruments

Detailed information is given in this 120-page catalog on slotted lines and tapered reducers, automatic impedance plotters, coaxial switches, transmission line hybrids, instrument loads, adjustable matching networks and impedance standard lines. In addition to technical descriptions, pictures, outline dimensions, circuit diagrams, and electrical and mechanical characteristics, the catalog includes a summary of data on transmission line connectors, complete price lists and suggestions for ordering. Alford Manufacturing Co., 299 Atlantic Ave., Boston,

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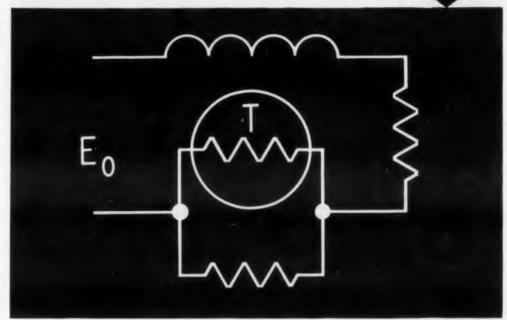
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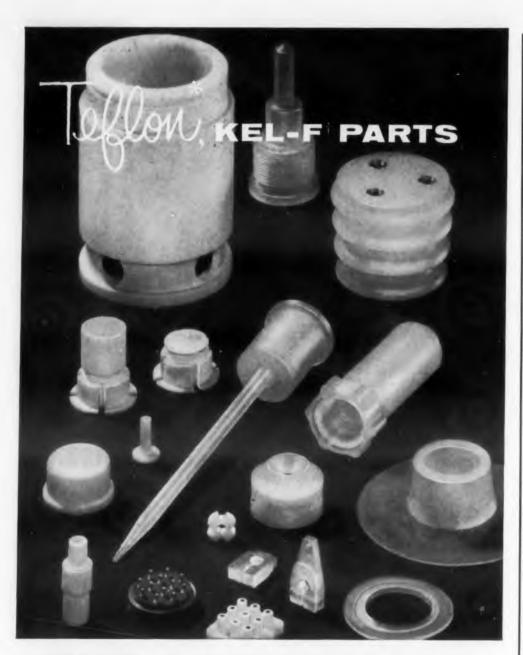
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#### **NEW LITERATURE**

#### **Indicators and Controls**

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A line of indicators and controllers is described in 10-page bulletin GEZ-2898. Instruments discussed are a de millivoltmeter, bridge-type controllers, temperature scanner systems, and saturable reactor control systems. Typical measurement applications, principles of operation, control forms, and electrical specifications are given. General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N.Y.

#### Magnetic Components 4

"Magnetic Components for Computers, Business Machines and Electronic Systems," 16 pages, describes the basic operating mechanism of magnetic cores used in logic, shift registers, and magnetic memories. Included is a section describing their use in typical applications such as computers, business machines, and data handling systems. Magnetics Research Co., Inc., 255 Grove St., White Plains, N.Y.

#### **Resistors**

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The 1959-60 edition of the firm's calalog covers their complete line of resistors. Complete specifications on the units and other pertinent data are included. Technohm Resistor Corp., 36-11-33rd St., Long Island City 6, N.Y.

#### Slide Rule

This reactance computer slide rule permits designers to determine the resonant frequency of a circuit knowing inductance and capacitance. Or they can select various inductances and capacitances for a desired frequency. The slide rule also has provisions for computing inductive and capacitive reactances as well as inductances and capacitances of resonant circuits from 1 mc to 1000 mc. Constructed of plastic, the slide rule is 9.5 in. long. Send \$1.00 to JFD Electronics Corp., 6101 Sixteenth Ave., Brooklyn 4, N.Y.



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#### **Ceramic Capacitors**

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437 have been included as part of the calculator. Send \$1.00 to Motorola, Inc., Dept.

This two-page bulletin describes the VI line of ceramic capacitors. These miniature units operate at 200 v dc and to 150 C without derating. Electrical and physical characteristics of the capacitors are described with accompanying charts and drawings that cover capacity values to 10,000 μμf. The line is also offered without cases for complete circuit assembly encapsulation. Vitramon Inc., Box 544, Bridgeport 1, Conn.

#### Zener Diode Slide Rule

This slide rule is designed to simplify the calculations that are necessary to design Zener diode circuits. Among the calculations that can be made are: value of the ballast resistor; maximum Zener dissipation; required thermal dissipator or heat sink area; and change in regulated voltage with ambient temperature. The various scales eliminate the need for using several curves. Design information such as basic regulator circuit, various relationships, and tabular design data ED, Semiconductor Products Div., 5005 E. McDowell Rd., Phoenix, Ariz.

#### Silicon Trigistors

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Applications and circuit design notes for silicon trigistors appear in this 16-page booklet. Operation, trigistor biasing, a one shot multivibrator, a memory circuit, and a flip flop binary counter are discussed with the aid of diagrams. Solid State Products, Inc., 1 Pingree St., Salem, Mass.

#### Power Amplifier \*

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A three-channel amplifier designed for driving recording oscillographs from lowlevel accelerometer signals is described in this two-page, illustrated bulletin. Features, operating specifications, operating curves, and circuit description are included. Columbia Research Labs, Mac-Dade Blvd. & Bullens Lane, Woodlyn,





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#### **NEW LITERATURE**

#### **Zener Diode Handbook**

The basic theory, design characteristics and applications for Zener (voltage limiting) diodes are covered in this 130-page manual. Chapter headings include: Characteristics of Silicon Zener Diodes, Design Considerations, Regulated Power Supplies, Surge Protection, AC and DC Amplifiers, Temperature Compensation and Impedance Cancellation, New Approaches in Zener Diode Applications, and Specifications and Testing Methods. How the Zener diode can be used as a coupling device in ac to dc amplifiers and as a biasing element is discussed fully. The book contains numerous schematic drawings, tables and curves, all based on actual circuits that were designed and tested. References that have appeared in previous literature have been checked and incorporated into the manual. Send \$1.00 to Motorola, Inc., Semiconductor Products Div., Dept. ED, 5005 E. Mc-Dowell Rd., Phoenix, Ariz.

#### **Silver-Zinc Batteries**

The performance features of second in (rechargeable) silver-zinc batteries for electronic equipment, underwater apparatus, and industrial communications systems are explained in this four-page brochure. Battery discharge cycle capability, shelf life, reliability, weight, and output factors are covered in specification chart and dimensional tables. Photographs of various models are included. Cook Batteries, Subsidiary of Telecomputing Corp., 3850 Olive St., Denver 7, Colo.

#### **Video Transformation Tube**

The firm's video transformation tube which accepts a radar (rho-theta) signal and converts it to a television (rectilinear display, is described in this illustrated four-page catalog. Characteristics and diagrams for the reading gun and the writing gun are included. Intercontinental Electronics Corp., Mineola, N.Y.



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#### **Pulse Transformer Parameters** 446

Bulletins PT-204, PT-205, and PT-206, each four pages, discuss blocking oscillator applications, interstage coupling applications, and specific applications where transformer parameters are known. In each bulletin a section is devoted to the characteristics of the pulse transformer which distinguish it from other circuit elements. An illustrated waveform of a typical pulse transformer output pulse showing two cases of damping is included. Transformer parameters are indicated on the waveform. Technitrol Engineering Co., 1952 E. Allegheny Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

#### **Decade Counters**

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Modular plug-in decade counters are featured in bulletin 826A, 12 pages. Each of the ten counters in the line is illustrated with photographs, outline drawings, and circuit diagrams. Circuits showing the units operating as variable scale and preset counters are included. Burroughs Corp., Electronic Tube Div., Plainfield, N.J.

#### **Voltage Regulators**

Features of automatic voltage regulators of the instantaneous electronic transistorized series are covered in this eight-page bulletin. In addition to dimensional diagrams, photos of the various types also appear. The Superior Electric Co., 83 Laurel St., Bristol, Conn.

#### **Coil Form Chart**

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Information on ceramic, phenolic, shielded, and printed circuit coil forms is given on this 22 x 34 in. reference chart. Military specs and materials for coil forms are included; scale drawings give dimensions. Cambridge Thermionic Corp., 445 Concord Ave., Cambridge 38, Mass.

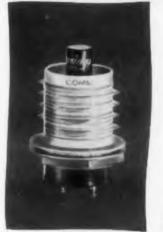
#### Radio Remote Control Units 450

This data sheet provides specifications, applications and a description of radio remote control units. Diagrams of the transmitter and receiver are included. Regent Electronics Manufacturing Co., 15321 Rayen St., Sepulveda, Calif.

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#### **NEW LITERATURE**

#### **Transfer Switches**

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#### **Semiconductor Graphites**

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Relay control features of automatic transfer switches are discussed in four-page bulletin 07500-G. A narrow control center model is illustrated. Specifications and schematic diagrams also appear. Lake Shore Electric Corp., 205 Willis St., Bedford, Ohio.

#### **Graphite Properties**

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"Graphite—How It Compares with Metals, Ceramics," is a four-page reprint of an article presented before the Electrochemical Society. Comparative data on electrical resistivity, tensile strength and modulus, strength-to-weight ratio and thermal conductivity are shown graphically. One table relates the properties of graphite with its industrial uses and its applications in the nuclear and missile fields. Another table lists the coefficients of thermal expansion. Speer Carbon Co., St. Marys, Pa.

Graphite usage in semiconductor production is the subject of illustrated catalog SC-659. Sections cover unique semiconductor graphites, specialized graphite machining problems, methods of graphite quality control, means of planning, scheduling and expediting orders, typical physical properties of various grades of graphite, stock sizes and prices. United Carbon Products Co., P. O. Box 747, Bay City, Mich.

#### Hook-on Volt Ammeter

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Descriptions, specifications and construction details of pocket-size, hook-on volt ammeters for testing ac voltages is given in Bulletin GEA-6292C, four pages. The bulletin lists applications, current ranges, accuracy percentage and operating instructions. Photographs are included. General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N.Y.

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#### Inertial Guidance Platform

Resonance isolators, circulators, switches, tee circulators, phase shifters, and modulators are discussed in "Microwave Ferrite Components," a four-page catalog. Subgroups of coax and test equipment isolators, high power, miniature and microwave relay isolators, faraday rotators and differential phase shift circulators are also included. Ferrotec, Inc., 217 California St., Newton, Mass.

This eight-page bulletin illustrates and describes a gimbal platform which operates from -55 to +100 C. In addition to a description of the platform and associated electronic components, dip brazing fabrication features, configuration details of nine platform versions, and application information are included. General Electric Co., 600 Main St., Johnson City, N.L.

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#### Time Delay Relays

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Bulletin 5903, eight pages, describes and illustrates time delay relays. Manufacturing and assembly processes, standard and special type specifications, data on sizes, available mounting arrangements, weights and terminal styles, and a description of circuit design are included. Circuit application notes and a discussion of special types available for accuracies as good as 0.01 per cent also appear. Tempo Instrument Inc., P. O. Box 338, Hicksville, N.Y.

#### Precision Potentiometers

This catalog discusses box type and rotary trimmers, panel controls, precision servo type potentiometers, non-standard function pots, special non-linear pots, pressure and displacement transducers, unitized clutch modules with syncros, servo motors, spring returns, brakes, commutator switches, magnetic clutches and single or multiturn potentiometers. Technology Instrument Corp., 531 Main St., Acton, Mass.

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#### **NEW LITERATURE**

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200 w for oscillator operation. Sylvania

Electric Products Inc., Central Advertis-

ing Distribution Dept., 1100 Main St.,

Buffalo, N.Y.

#### Microwave Tubes

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#### Magnetic Tape

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Magnetic tape for digital and analog recording is described in this four-page, illustrated bulletin. Information includes performance qualities of the new tape, production techniques, and specifications. Photographs are included in bulletin 1619. Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena,

#### **Tape Tension Gage**

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Type 5-050 dynamic tape tension gage for magnetic tape recorder/reproducers is described in bulletin 1621. The gage permits accurate tension measurement and adjustment to be made quickly and easily on fixed or mobile tape transports. Consolidated Electrodynamics Corp., 360 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena, Calif.



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#### **Automatic Test Equipment**

470 Cathode-Ray Tubes 472

The firm's preprogrammed automatic test system which employs only solidstate devices in computer circuit modules is discussed in this 24-page, illustrated booklet. Features, objectives, applications, and a general description of the system appear. Stromberg-Carlson, Electronics Div., 1400 N. Goodman St., Rochester 3,

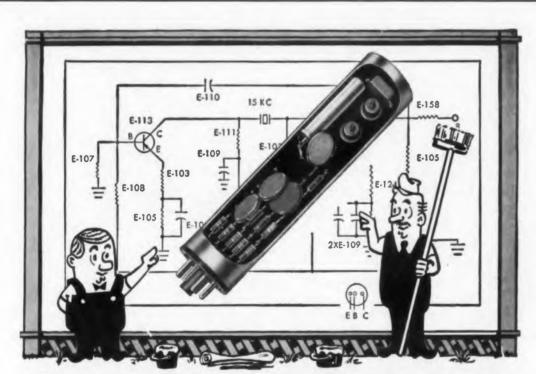
#### **Thermocouples**

Illustrated catalog EN-S2, 52 pages, covers thermocouples and thermocouple components and accessories. It describes standard assemblies in protecting tubes and wells for general applications, specialized thermocouples and assemblies for laboratory and industrial applications, and a line of bare and insulated thermocouple wires, ceramic insulators, metal and ceramic protecting tubes, wells, and terminal heads. Leeds & Northrup Co., 4934 Stenton Ave., Philadelphia 44, Pa.

Information on over 75 types of standard (JEDEC registered) cathode-ray tubes is tabulated in this short-form catalog. Sections discuss the latest crt's suitable for new equipment designs, replacement tubes, special design services, screens, and accessories for crt's. Physical and electrical parameters are tabulated for such crt categories as electrostatic deflection and electrostatic focus, magnetic deflection and electostatic focus, and magnetic deflection and magnetic focus. Allen B. Du Mont Labs, Inc., Electronic Tube Div., Clifton, N.J.

#### 473 Coolers

Tables and performance curves in this eight-page bulletin aid the engineer in selecting coolers that will maintain junction temperatures of semiconductors within design conditions. Diagrams and photos illustrate the units. Modine Manufacturing Co., Racine, Wis.



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W-859-11A-1	930 ±60 MC	25 DB Min.	2.0 DB MAX	1.25 MAX				
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The Silicon controlled rectifier SCR is connected in series with the input power and the load in a half-wave configuration. A full wave configuration may be obtained very simply by adding one SCR and a properly rated center tap transformer. For simplicity, only the half wave circuit is discussed here.

A fast-response magnetic trigger operating on the reset principle (Avion Model 408 or equal) is used to control the firing angle of the SCR during normal operation.

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AC TRANSFORMER
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CR 3

CR 2

CR 1

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**Short circuit protection** is provided through a silicon controlled rectifier in this all-solid state power supply circuit.

An isolation transformer T1 is connected across the input. This transformer steps down (or, when a low-voltage supply is involved, steps up) the voltage level, to provide a proper supply to the reactor L1. The phasing of the transformer T1 outputs is important and is indicated by dots.

During the first half cycle of supply frequency, when the anode of SCR1 is positive, rectifier CR1 is forward-biased and will allow current to flow into the gate G of the SCR. The angle at which this current will flow into the gate is determined by the saturation level of the reactor L1.

Rectifier CR2 insures that during the first half cycle, no current will flow into the control winding #2 of L1. Winding #1 of the trigger reactor L1 is the gate winding through which the current for the gate-cathode junction of the SCR flows.

Rectifiers CR3 and SCR2 form part of the short circuit protection network.

#### **Normal Control**

During normal operation, proportional control of the output is achieved by varying the control signal, or the impedance in the control circuit. This control may be implemented by various means. Some are listed below:

- 1. Potentiometer for manual control
- 2. Transistor or SCR
- 3. Ac signal from synchros in phase opposition to voltage of T1 winding #3
- 4. Half-wave variable signals buck-impedance of CR3, through forward biasing, to a very low value. Rectifier CR3, thus biased, will pass the current necessary to reset the reactor core to cut off.

A current transformer (CT) is connected in series with the load. The secondary of the CT is in series with a Zener diode and a gate cathode junction of SCR2. An over-current adjusting rheostat is connected across the current transformer CT.

Under normal conditions the secondary current flowing out of the CT can flow only through the rheostat. The voltage developed across the rheostat is lower than the breakdown voltage of the

Zener diode. SCR2 remains open, and does not allow current from the auxiliary dc supply to flow through it, diode CR3 and a limiting resistor, to ground.

As soon as the load current exceeds a predetermined level, the secondary voltage drop across the *CT* exceeds the Zener voltage and triggers *SCR2*; *SCR2* fires and allows the auxiliary supply to forward-bias *CR3*.

Full reset current now flows through *CR3* and winding #2 of *L1* is subjected to full reset voltage. *L1* and *SCR1* cut off and the loading winding #3 voltage.

The firing angle of SCR1 is determined by the firing angle of L1. When all the voltage is absorbed by winding #1 of the reactor L1, no output, except for very low exciting current, appears across the gate-cathode junction of the SCR. The amount of volt-second absorbed by the windings #1 of L1 is determined by the voltage which is applied to winding #2 during the second half cycle of the supply frequency. If no voltage at all is applied to winding #2, then winding #1 allows load current to flow during the third half cycle, due to self-saturation. However if the full voltage is impressed on winding #2 during the second half cycle, no output current will flow during the following half cycle in the gate winding #1. Partial control voltage will allow firing of the SCR.

#### **Short Circuit Protection**

In order to cut off *SCR1*, then, the output of *L1* must also be cut off. One obvious way to achieve this is to allow the full voltage, induced in winding #3 of *T1*, to be impressed on winding #2 of *L1*. This is accomplished by reducing the current falls to zero. No telegraphing of *SCR2* occurs because once it is triggered it remains "on" due to the holding current supplied by the auxiliary supply. Resetting the supply to normal operation again is accomplished by opening and closing the switch *SW*.

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1331-6	680 ± 10%	0.79	50	2.6	17.0	105	BLU	GRY	BRN
1331-7	820 ± 10%	0.79	50	2.4	19.0	100	GRY	RED	BRN
1331-8	1000 ± 10%	0.79	45	2.2	21.3	90	BRN	BLK	RED

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To evaluate  $|1 + j (f/f_0)|$  in db on the slide rule, just follow these four steps:

1. Set f on the D scale opposite  $f_o$  on the C scale. Read  $(f/f_o^2)$  on the A scale opposite the B index.

2. Mentally add 1 to that value and set the hairline to  $(f/f_o)^2 + 1$  on the A scale.

3. Multiply this value by itself, i.e., set the B index to  $(f/f_o)^2 + 1$  on the A scale and move the hairline to the same quantity on the B scale.

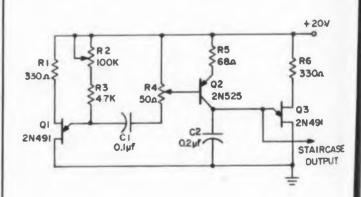
4. Look under the hairline on the L scale for the answer. If  $(f/f_o)$  is less than 3, read the answer in db directly. If  $(f/f_o)$  is between 3 and 10, add 10 db to the value on the L scale. (Ignore the decimal point for these readings.) If  $(f/f_o)$  is greater than 10,  $|1+j|(f/f_o)| \cong f/f_o$ 

For example, find |1+j(4/5)|. Setting 4 on D opposite 5 on C gives 0.64 on A opposite the B index. Set the B index to 1+0.64=1.64 on A, and then move the hairline to 1.64 on B. Read 2.15 db as the answer on L.

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#### A Simple Staircase Wave Generator

A staircase generator having good stability and a wide operating range may be constructed as shown in the circuit diagram. Transistor  $Q_1$  operates as a free-running oscillator generating negative pulses across  $R_4$ . These pulses produce current pulses from the collector of  $Q_2$  which charge



Schematic diagram of a simple staircase generator.

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capacitor  $C_2$  in steps. When the voltage across  $C_2$  reaches the peak point voltage of  $Q_3$ , this transistor fires and discharges  $C_2$ .

Resistor  $R_2$  determines the frequency of oscillation of  $Q_1$  and thus determines the period of the individual step without affecting the number of steps per cycle. The setting of  $R_4$  determines the amplitude of the collector current pulse from  $Q_2$  and thus determines the number of steps per cycle without affecting the period of the individual step. The waveforms show operation at two different settings of  $R_4$  which give four steps per cycle and 18 steps per cycle.

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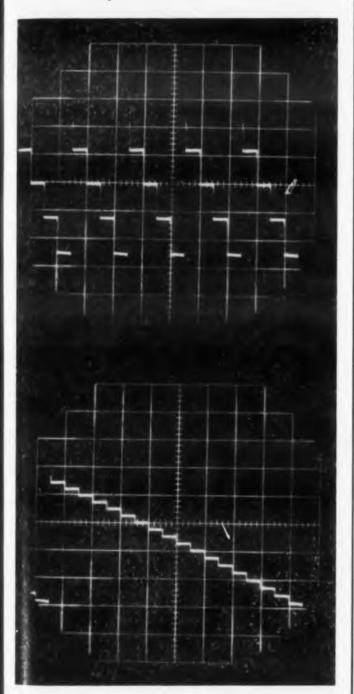
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#### Zener Diode Expands Telemetering Monitor Scale

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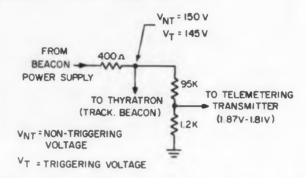
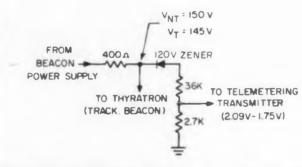


Fig. 1. Small voltage change in B+ telemetry circuit left room for doubt.



**Fig. 2.** Zener diode in circuit increase output range to transmitter from 0.06 v to 0.34 v.

The difficulty encountered in the circuit of Fig. 1 was that the voltage change from trigger to no-trigger, when divided down for telemetering, was so small that the beacon's state of operation was often questionable.

Fig. 2 shows the change that was incorporated in the telemetering monitor circuit which clearly defines the trigger/no-trigger state of the beacon. The zener diode provides a constant 120 v drop so that the voltage divider now reflects the change of 25 to 30 v. The change to telemetry transmitter is now 0.34 v instead of 0.06 v as in Fig. 1.

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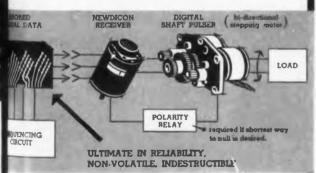
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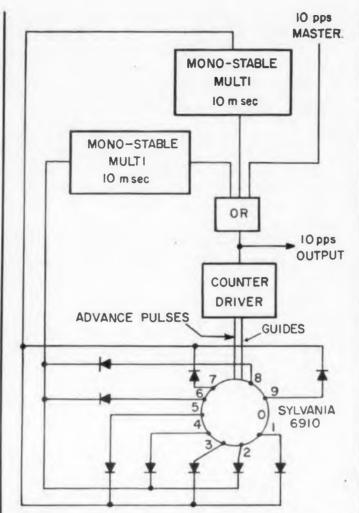


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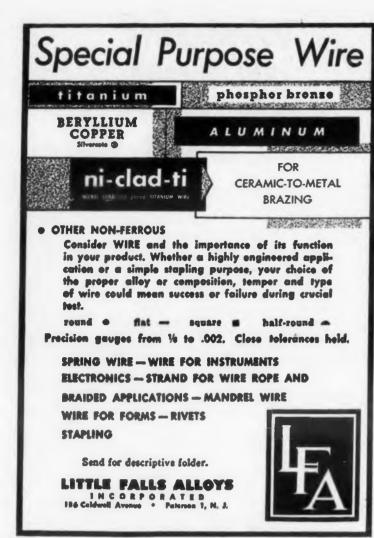
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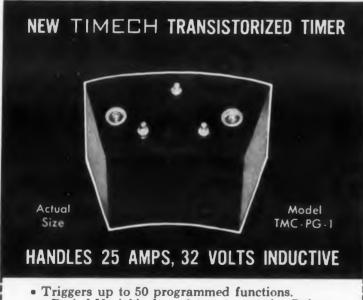
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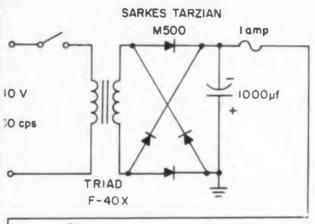
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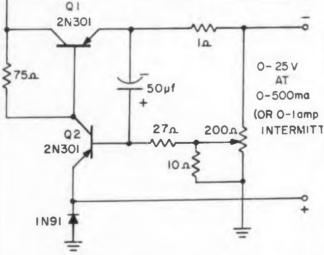
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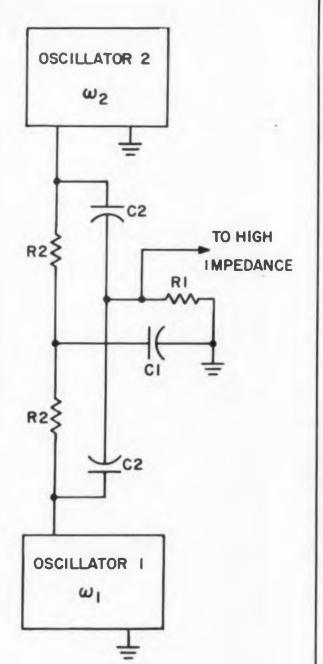
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$$\omega^2 C_1 C_2 = 2/R_2^2$$

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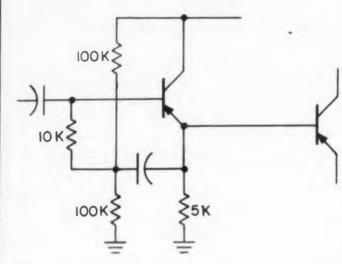


Fig. 1. Conventional emitter follower circuit parallels bias impedance with base impedance.

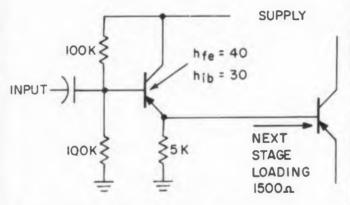


Fig. 2. Modified circuit transfers the bias resistor load to emitter circuit and almost doubles input impedance.

In this case the input impedance is the 47.3 K of the emitter follower base in parallel with the 50 K bias resistor impedance or 24.2 K.

The circuit of Fig. 2 transfers the bias resistor load to the emitter and raises the input impedance to 41 K.

The input device sees the 10 K resistor increased by a factor of  $1/1 - A_{\bullet}$  where  $A_{\bullet}$  = the voltage gain of the emitter follower from base to emitter.

James G. Barr, The Martin Co., Denver 1, Colo.

### Simplify Conversion From Binary to Decimal Numbers

A binary number such as 110110110 may be converted to a decimal by adding the radix 2 raised to the proper power for each 1 in the



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hintry number. In this case it would be  $2^8+2^7+2^5+2^4+2^2+2^1$  or 256+128+32+16+4+2 which totals 438.

This method is long and tedious, and becomes much worse as the binary numbers become longer. The method presented here was tried and found to save considerable time in repetitious mental conversions. The method involves the use of a hexi-decimal system, which is a system using radix 16.

The binary number is broken into groups of four starting from the right so the above number would be 0001 1011 0110. The groups of four are then the coefficients of 16 raised to the appropriate power. The coefficients are evaluated by the ordinary method, mentioned above, for evaluating a binary number. However, this is a very simple mental calculation since the number must be between zero and fifteen. After some use, the values of the groups would be automatically recognized without calculation.

These coefficients are usually called 0,1,2,3,4.5, 6,7,8,9,u,v,w,x,y,z, in order that only one character be used to represent one coefficient. The use of 12 instead of w, for example, might be mistaken to be 1,2. To simplify the completion of the calculation, the accompanying table gives the values of the coefficient times 16 to various powers.

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To find the answer to the problem, we see that there are three groups of four, representing 16<sup>2</sup>, 16<sup>1</sup>, and 16<sup>0</sup>. The coefficient of the first group is 1. Looking at the table on the horizontal line corresponding to coefficient 1, it is seen that 16<sup>2</sup> gives 256. For coefficient v, 16<sup>1</sup> gives 176; and for coefficient 6, 16<sup>0</sup> gives 6. 256, 176, and 6 are added to give the answer 438.

Robert Banow, Ford Instrument Co., Bldg. 2, Division of Sperry Rand Corp., Long Island City, N.Y.

Table of Values for Radix 16

COEFF.	16º	161	162	16 <sup>3</sup>	164
1	1	16	256	4096	65,536
2	2	32	512	8192	131,072
3	3	48	768	12288	196,608
4	4	64	1024	16384	262,144
5	5	80	1280	20480	327,680
6	6	96	1536	24576	393,216
7	7	112	1792	28672	458,752
8	8	128	2048	32768	524,288
9	9	144	2204	36864	589,824
(10) u	10	160	2560	40960	655,360
(11) v	11	176	2816	45056	720,896
(12) w	12	192	3072	49152	786,432
(3) x	13	208	3328	53248	851,968
(14) y	14	224	3584	57344	917,504
(15) z	15	240	3840	61440	983,040

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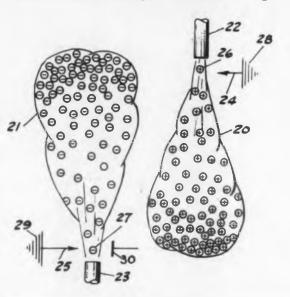
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Patent No. 2,881,335. Bernard Vonnegut. (Assigned to Arthur D. Little, Inc.)

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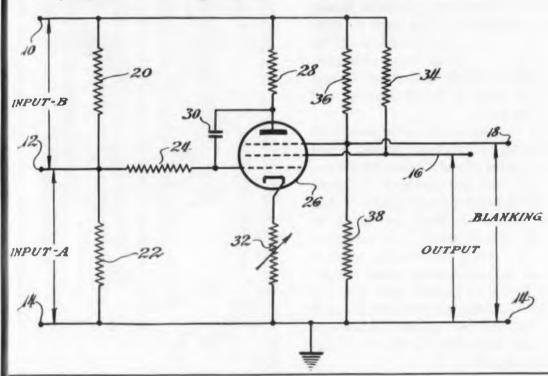
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Patent No. 2,898,554. Gale W. Crampton. Assigned to Victor Adding Machine Co.) Inputs A and B set the voltage on the ontrol grid of a 6AS6 pentode phantasand thereby determine the rundown

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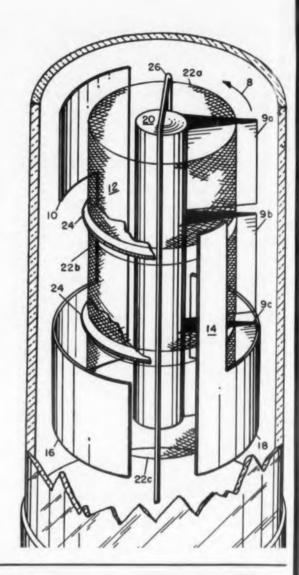
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### **Synchronizing Signal Generator**

Patent No. 2,884,561. Harold E. Beste. (Assigned to Allen B. Du Mont Labs., Inc.)

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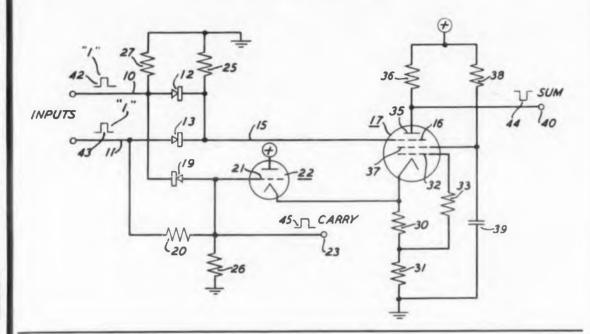
### Binary Half Adder

Patent No. 2,901,602. Elmer L. Younker. (Assigned to Bell Telephone Labs, Inc.)

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WATCH OUT FOR THE MOHOLE! Watch for a new geophysical race between American and Soviet scientists: drilling through the earth's crust and the mantle around the earth's core. A variety of electronic instrumentation will be used in the drilling of a "Mohole"—so named because the boundary between crust and core mantle is called the Mohrovicic Discontinuity. American scientists propose to go down 18,000 feet below the ocean floor to measure a number of physical and chemical properties, including density, radioactivity, elasticity, magnetism, electrical properties, thermal gradient, porosity, permeability, and pressure. Existing instrumentation can be used if the hole is not smaller than 4 inches in diameter. Steps are being taken to develop a satisfactory low-frequency seismometer.

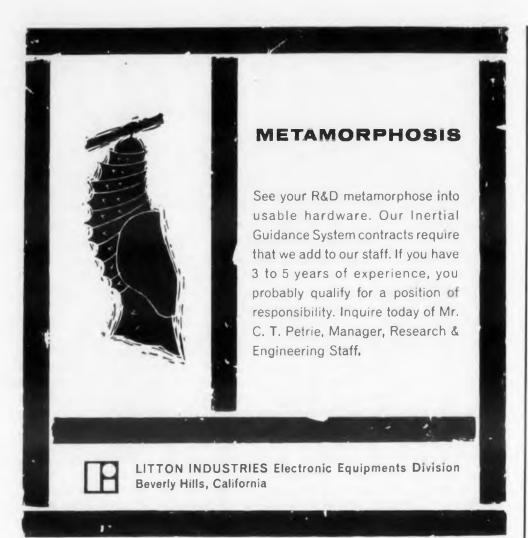
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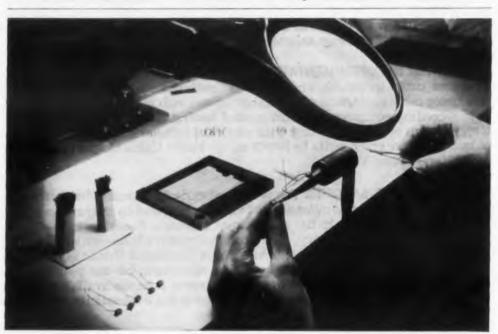
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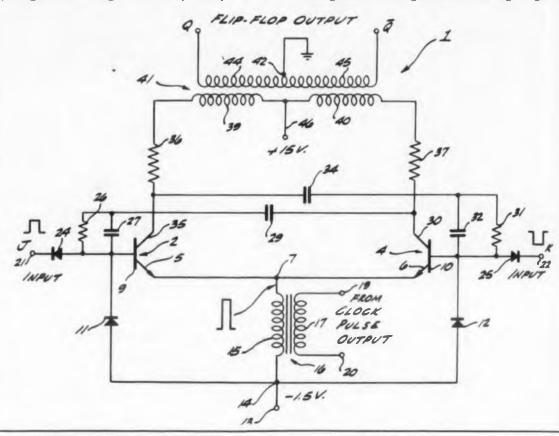
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### **PATENTS**

### **Clock Pulse Circuit For Transistor** Flip-Flop

Patent No. 2,898,479. Melvin R. Elroy. (Assigned to Hughes Aircraft Co.)

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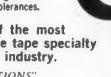
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Assume, as shown, that the J input is at +1 v and the K input is held at -1 v; transistor 4 conducts while transistor 2 is cut off. Now, let the clock pulse shift the common emitter (terminal 7) potential to  $\pm 0.5$  v.

Transistor 2 remains cut off but the emitter 6-base 10 voltage is sufficient to cut off transistor 4. A pulse couples back through capacitor 34 to flip transistor 2 to conduction. It is obvious that when both 1 and K inputs are simultaneously at +1 v, the flip-flop will be insensitive to the clock pulses and no change will occur.

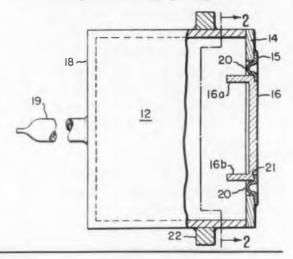
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### Microwave Switching Device

Patent No. 2,900,568. Dudley N. Brewster. (Assigned to Sylvania Electric Products, Inc.)

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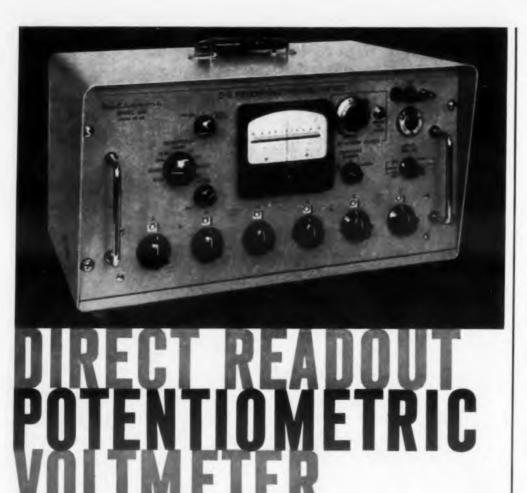
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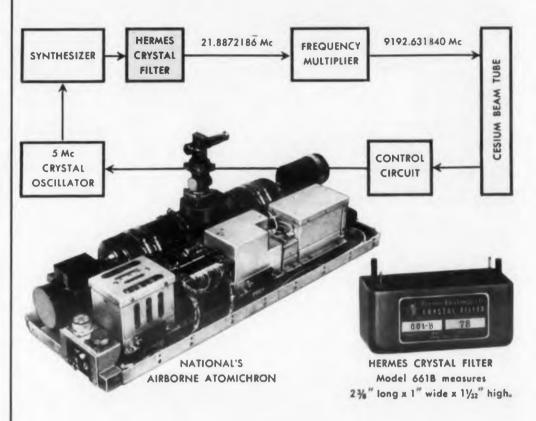
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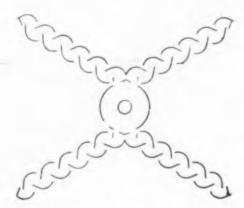
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A TTEMPTS to obtain higher pulsed currents from electron multipliers by "forcing" the power supply to the output stages date back some time.<sup>1,2</sup> Coaxial photocells<sup>3</sup> and electron multipliers with coaxial collectors<sup>4</sup> have yielded pulsed output currents of several amperes with a time resolution of up to 2 x 10<sup>-9</sup> second.

Unlike these single-channel systems, the multichannel electron multipliers described here yield pulse outputs of up to seven amps, with a time resolution of up to 2.5 x 10<sup>-9</sup> sec and a gain of 10<sup>8</sup> to 10<sup>9</sup>. They can have from two to eight channels operating in parallel into one coaxial collector.

Fig. 1 shows a four-channel electronoptical system based on this principle. Each channel has a ten-stage electron multiplier with trough-like emitters. The collector is a short segment of 75 ohm coaxial line with slots in the outer conductor to permit passage of the electrons to the inner conductor.

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**Fig. 1.** (right) A four-channel electron-optical electron multiplier.

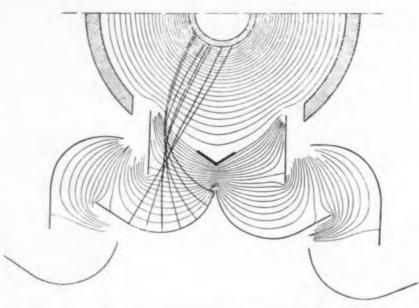
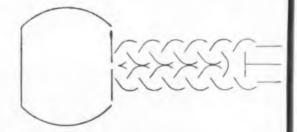


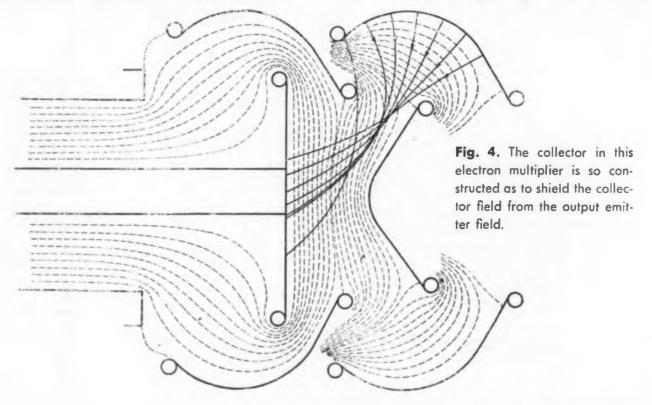
Fig. 2. The electron optics of the 75-ohm coaxial line which serves as the collector for the electron multiplier of Fig. 1.

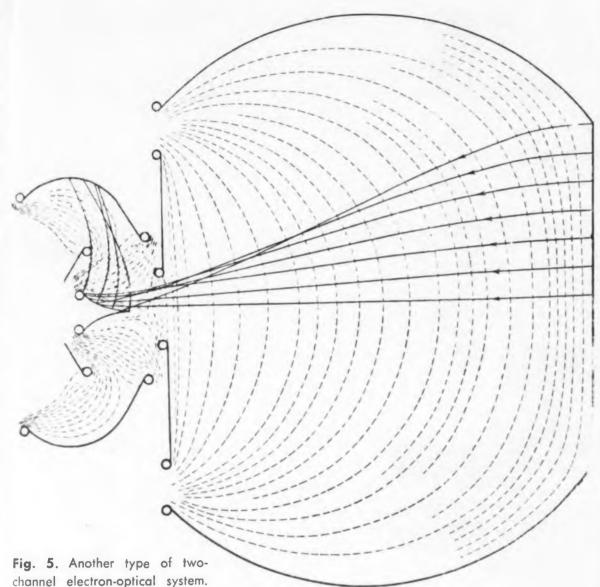
coaxial collector is illustrated in Fig. 2, and again in Fig. 4.

Fig. 2 shows that this coaxial-collector construction provides good shielding between the collector field and the fields of the output emitters. This construction makes it possible to exclude the influence



**Fig. 3.** A two-channel electron multiplier in which the collector is used in the form of a capacitor operating directly into a coax line.





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Fig. 3 shows a two-channel electron multiplier in which the collector forms a capacitor that operates directly into the coaxial line. In this case too, the collector is so constructed as to shield the collector field from the output-emitter fields. This aspect is shown more clearly in Fig. 4.

In all systems, the output terminal of the coaxial collector is a coaxial metalglass seal, permitting broadband transition to an ordinary 75 ohm coaxial cable through a special coaxial plug. The entire collector cable system has a flat frequency characteristic up to 10° cps.

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The insulating material used for the electron-optical systems of multichannel electron multipliers is synthetic mica. It has good vacuum properties and is easily machined. Before assembly, the synthetic mica should be degassed in vacuum at 450 C.

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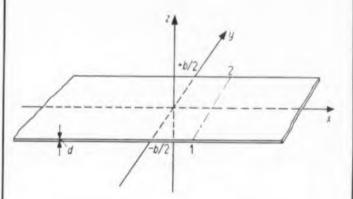
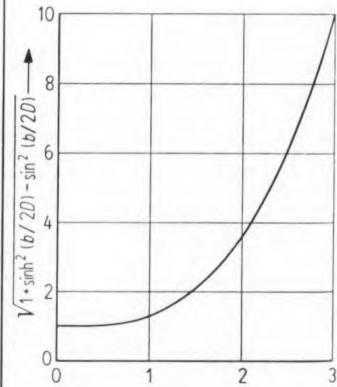


Fig. 1. Semiconductor plate in a coordinate system.



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$$\frac{V_h}{V_o} = (1 + \sinh^2 a - \sin^2 a)^{\frac{1}{2}} (1)$$
where  $a = b/2D$ ,  $D = 1/(\pi \mu_0 \delta f)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  (1)

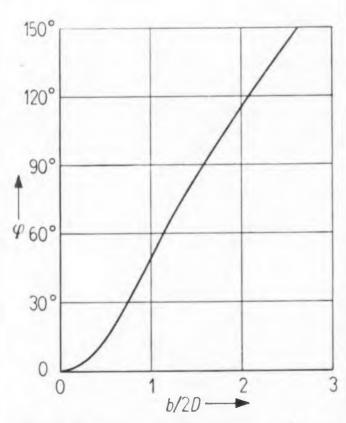


Fig. 2. Dependence of Hall voltage on the ratio b/2D (i.e. with square root of frequency) (a) Amplitude (left). (b) Phase.

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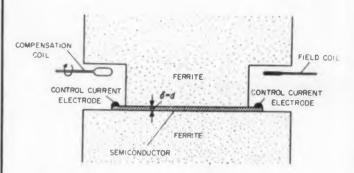
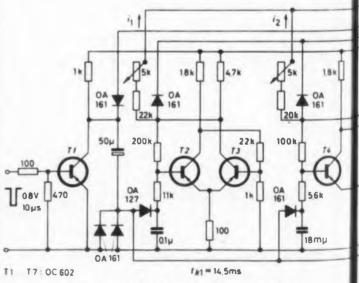


Fig. 3. Hall generator embedded in ferrite.

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CIRCUIT which employs seven transistors, A Fig. 1, has been developed for unambiguous quasilogarithmic pulse indication of pulse repetition rates up to 7 kc. The circuit consists of a cascade of three multivibrators whose mean output voltage approximates the logarithm of the pulse count but which has ambiguity when the time between pulses exceeds the relaxation time of the



Circuit of the quasilogarithmic pulse indicator.

Eqs. 1 and 2 are illustrated in Fig. 2.

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In order to realize the assumptions regarding the space distribution of the magnetic field, it is necessary to embed the semiconductor plate in a material with high permeability, e.g. a ferrite, as shown in Fig. 3. The remaining airgap must be small compared to d. If this condition is not fulfilled, the calculated frequency dependence of the Hall voltage does not occur and a substantially frequency-independent amplitude is observed.

A detailed description of the experimental procedure and results, as well as a discussion of eddy current losses and their relation to control power, is included in the original paper.

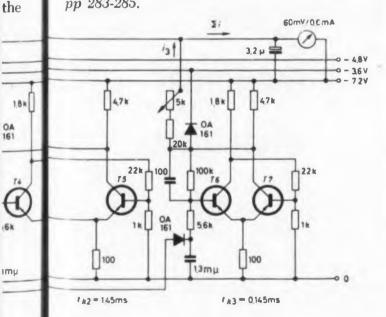
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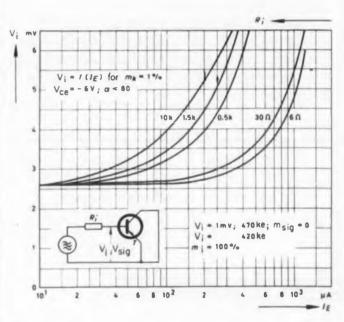


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special transistor circuits in which cross-modulation is minimized must be developed.

The cross-modulation factor K is defined as

$$K = 3 \frac{cm_i}{am_a} V_i^2$$

where  $m_i$  is the amplitude modulation index of the interfering signal,  $V_i$  is its amplitude,  $m_i$  is the modulation index of the signal proper and the parameters a and c are defined from the assumed input voltage-output current equation

$$i = I_0 + av + bv^2 + cv^3 + \dots$$

For unmodulated signals, the cross modulation index  $m_k$  is defined as

$$m_k = 3 \frac{c}{a} m_i V_{i^2}$$

For very small emitter current, the effective interfering voltage which produced one per cent cross modulation corresponds to about 0.1 v  $(V_T = kT/e)$  when the interfering signal is 100 per cent modulated. With increasing emitter current, the effective value of  $V_i$  needed for  $m_k$  = one per cent increases, as shown in Fig. 1, at a rate depending on source resistance.

Abstracted from an article by H. Lotsch, Elektronische Rundschau, Vol. 13, No. 8, August 1958, pp 290-294.

capacitance value is restored after removal of the de component.

The dependence of dielectric constant on field strength has the form

$$\frac{\Delta \varepsilon}{\varepsilon} = -aE^b$$

where, for the impregnated paper, a typical value of b is 1.90.

Unfortunately (from the point of view of capacitor applications) the superposition of long time constant voltages results in time-and temperature—dependent decreases in capacitance which persist after discharge.

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# Tunnel Diode Oscillator Works At 3010 Mc, Uses Lumped Parameter Design

THE USE of the negative-resistance diode, also called the Esaki or tunnel diode, in very high frequency oscillator circuits using wave guides and cavities as tuned elements has met with difficulties as a result of so-called parasitic oscillations that arise from having to drive the circuit from a very low impedance de source. A different design approach, based on lumped-parameter principles, which is free from this type of biasing problem, is described here. It has produced oscillators that operate well into the microwave region (3000 mc) where it has not previously been thought profitable to use only lumped-parameter elements. (A more recent model has a fundamental frequency of oscillation of 4020 mc.)

The structure used in these oscillators (shown schematically in Fig. 1) consists of a highly doped n-type germanium wafer, about 2 mils thick, which is soldered to a 3-mil nickel mounting tab that serves as one electrode of the circuit. Two tin impurity dots, one doped with gallium, the other with arsenic, are alloyed to the n-type wafer in close proximity to each other. The SnGa dot forms a recrystallized p region which makes an abrupt junction with the heavily doped n material. This produces a negative resistance of the Esaki type when a forward bias in the region of 50 to 350 mv is applied. The SnAs dot forms an ohmic contact to the n-type wafer. If the resist-

ance between the SnAs dot and the mounting tab is smaller than the absolute value of the negative resistance of the Esaki diode, then the system oscillates at a very high frequency when a shorting bar, which acts as the second electrode of the circuit, is connected as shown. A biasing current

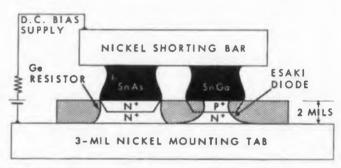


Fig. 1. Schematic cross section of the semiconductor microwave oscillator. Shaded area is heavily doped n-type germanium wafer.



**Fig. 2.** Simplified equivalent circuit of the microwave tunnel diode oscillator.



Fig. 3. Two views of the microwave oscillator mounted on conventional header.

then flows through the resistive part of the circuit of sufficient magnitude to produce a dc voltage across the tunnel diode, making it behave as a negative resistance.

The oscillator frequency is increased as the dimensions of the dots and their spacing decrease. The frequency of such an oscillator structure can be increased by etching away the shaded areas of the Ge wafer. This etching procedure has the effect of reducing the area of the tunnel diode junction, hence also its capacitance. Etching also isolates the bias resistance part of the circuit from the diode part and suggests the simplified equivalent lumped-parameter circuit of Fig. 2. Here the diode part of the circuit is represented by a negative resistance  $-R_E$  shunted by a capacitance  $C_E$ . The bulk resistance of the diode is not explicitly represented in this simplification. The bias resistor, which is concentrated under the SnAs dot, is represented by R and the loop inductance of the circuit is represented by L. A necessary condition for oscillation is that:

$$R < |-R_E|$$

Experimentally, the frequency of a given oscillator increases as the diameter of the tunnel diode junction area is decreased. Table 1 shows the results of measurements for one oscillator.

The resistor portion of the germanium was covered with stop-off wave, and for each successive measurement shown in Table 1, the diode portion

Table 1. Frequency vs Tunnel Diode Junction Area

Frequency in Mc	Diameter of Esaki diode junction in mils
1490	3.5
1850	2.9
2240	2.4

was electrolytically etched in dilute KOH. This etching action concentrates the removal of germanium in the vicinity of the junction so that the junction capacitance is mainly affected while the loop inductance is essentially unchanged. This condition will not hold if the etching is continued to the point where the germanium becomes a very thin pedestal and contributes to the total loop inductance. Assuming that the junction is uniform over its area, and that area is proportional to the square of the measured diameter, then these results strongly suggest that for this oscillator, in the frequency range indicated, the frequency is very nearly inversely proportional to the square root of the junction capacitance.

Experiments show that the frequency generally decreases slightly as the forward dc bias is increased. For a typical oscillator operating at 2200 me, the frequency decreased approximately 30 mc

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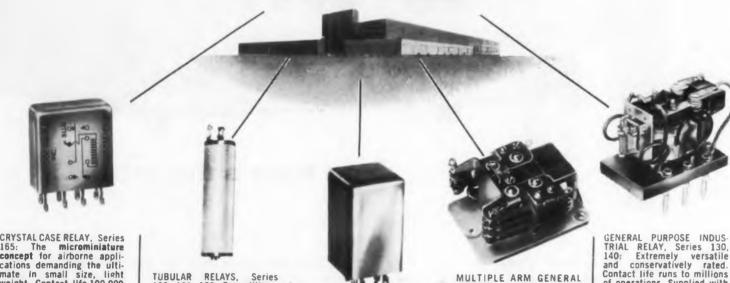
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For convenience of making electrical connections to the oscillator structure, the units were mounted on conventional 3-pin circular transistor headers (Fig. 3). The dc bias was applied between the center pin which is soldered to the base of the header and one of the two outer pins which support the shorting bar. The frequency was essentially unaffected by the lengths and positions of the leads to the external dc bias supply—if the resistance in the supply loop is high compared to the resistance of the germanium resistor in the oscillator structure. Since these resistors have typical values of about 50 milliohms, the power supply impedance will be sufficiently high if it is one ohm, a condition easily achieved in practice,

The frequency is measured by placing a small length of wire, which serves as a pick-up antenna, near the oscillator and mixing the pick-up signal with that of a known oscillator, then detecting the difference frequency on a General Radio if amplifier and detector. The use of this type of loose coupling prevents the generation of spurious signals produced by interactions of the strong local oscillator signal with the nonlinearities of the Esaki diode structure, which otherwise makes the determination of the true fundamental frequency difficult

Other methods of detecting the oscillations have included strongly coupling the output into a coaxial line that is directly connected to a receiving system. The lack of influence of the power supply



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Fig. 4. Photomicrograph of the oscillator. The tunnel diode is the thin pedestal on the right. The narrowest dimension is about 1 mil.

wires on frequency may be attributed to the fact that the header leads are of much greater inductance than the loop inductance of the oscillator structure itself, and hence they act as rf chokes. The dimensions of the critical portions of the oscillator are small compared to the wavelength of the oscillations even at S-band frequencies.

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Fig. 4 is a photomicrograph of an oscillator which oscillated at a fundamental frequency of 3010 mc. The significant features shown correspond to those in the schematic cross-section of Fig. 1, the tunnel diode portion being the right pedestal and the germanium resistor the thicker pedestal on the left. The p-n junction is almost coincident with the bottom edge of the tin dot, and its diameter in this unit is about 1 mil. The capacitance per unit area for p-n junctions formed by the same alloying techniques on the same n-type crystal wafer used in constructing the oscillator units has been found to be 3 µf per cm<sup>2</sup>, so that the capacitance for this diode is about 20 µµf. To produce resonance at 3000 mc would require an inductance of 0.15 mµh, a value reasonable to expect for the loop inductance of the oscillator structure. An estimate of the peak current of the tunnel diode p-n junction, based on measurements of the peak current per unit area of units similarly fabricated, is about 10 ma. Considering that the negative resistance region is thus limited to a few milliamperes of current and 100 my of voltage, the rf power output of this oscillator is, at most, a few tens of microwatts. It is believed, however, that improved fabrication techniques will allow higher powers in future models. The arsenic concentration in the n-type crystal was measured to be 1.4 x 1019 atoms per cc.

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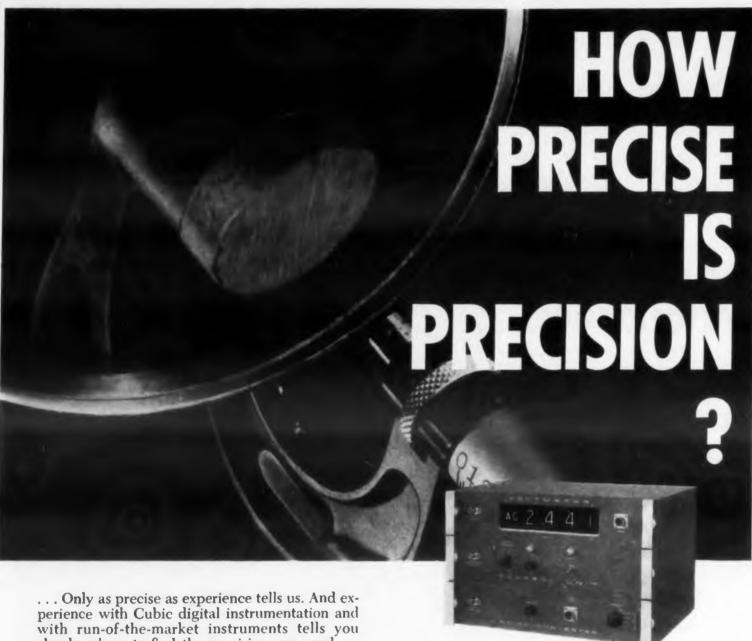
# Switching Circuits: Measuring Recovery Time

A SEMICONDUCTOR diode, when switched from forward current conduction to a reverse bias condition, will briefly allow an appreciable amount of current to pass in the reverse direction (shown in Fig. 1). The phenomena of "charge storage"—more specifically, "minority carrier storage"—causes this effect.

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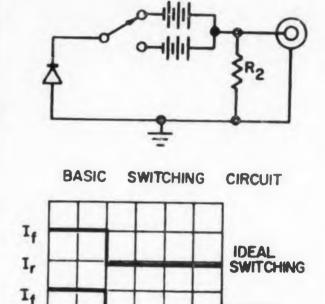


Fig. 1. Basic switching circuit.

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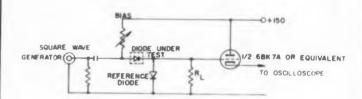
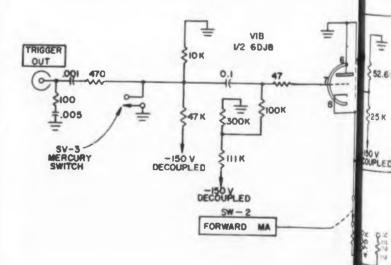


Fig. 2. The JAN-256 Test Circuit.

ticular diode in a given switching circuit. Some of them are described and illustrated here.

A simplified schematic of an early standard test circuit, the JAN-256, is shown in Fig. 2. In this circuit, forward bias is supplied by the +150 v plate supply. The diode is switched off by the external square wave generator. And the time required for the initial diode reverse current to decay



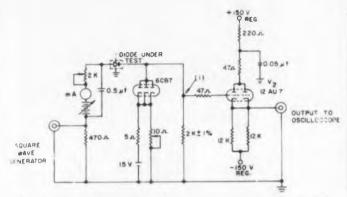


Fig. 3. The standard circuit proposed by the Electronic Industries Association.

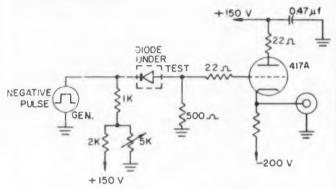


Fig. 4. The modified Bureau of Standards circuit.

to the specified value is measured by observing the voltage drop across  $R_L$ . Since it is usually necessary to measure the time required for the diode to reach a high reverse impedance (small reverse current), it is necessary that  $R_L$  be relatively large. To allow reasonable supply voltages, and prevent over driving the oscilloscope input stages during the (Continued on p. 202)

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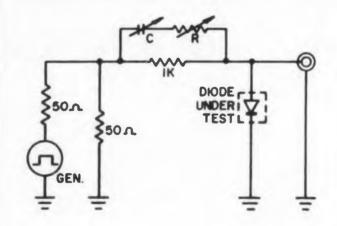
forward current pulse, a "reference diode" is placed across  $R_L$  to clamp the drop across  $R_L$  to a low value.

Since the JAN-256 circuit uses a semiconductor clamp, there is some question about the circuit's accuracy. An alternative circuit is that described in EIA SP590 as Method I (Fig. 3). Up to the point marked (1), this is the old IBM "Y" circuit. The cathode follower has been added because of difficulties found in trying to correlate readings made by different users and manufacturers. For example, minor differences in the length of the cable connecting the tester to the oscilloscope caused significant differences in recovery time measurements.

### The Most "Accurate" Tester

Probably the most "accurate" recovery time tester is the Bureau of Standards circuit, which has been modified (Pacific Semiconductors, Inc.) as shown in a simplified schematic (Fig. 4). This circuit avoids the problems associated with the use of clamping diodes by reversing the diode so that the forward pulse drives the triode into cut-off. There are, unfortunately, other problems with this circuit.

The most serious criticism of the circuit arrangements already described is that the diodes are tested under *very specific* conditions of forward bias, reverse bias and load resistance. Figs. 4 and 5 show two attempts to devise circuits that will measure a property of the diode, independent of the external circuit parameters. Fig. 5 shows the Tektronix circuit. It allows measurement of the charge stored in the diode as a function of the forward current. This quantity, coulombs per ma, appears,



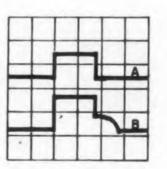


Fig. 6. Stromberg-Carlson test circuit.



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under certain circumstances, to be a "constant" for a particular diode, allowing fairly good prediction of diode performance in almost any circuit. The circuit in Fig. 6 (Stromberg-Carlson) shows a bridge type measurement of this quantity. Here R and C are adjusted until the output (B) appears like the input (A). The values of R and C then give a measure of the equivalent capacity and series resistance of the diode.

The circuit in Fig. 7 is an example of the complications that arise when attempting to measure

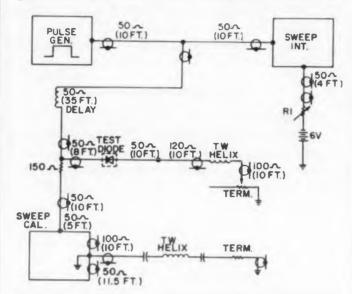


Fig. 7. Edgerton, Germeshausen and Grier test circuit.

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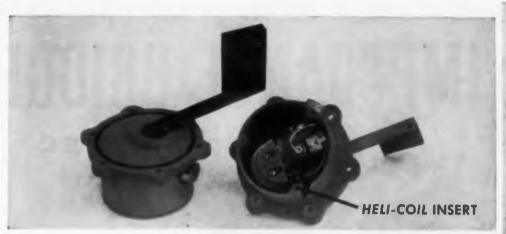
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resistance at the resonant frequency and above presents a design problem. Relays meeting these vibration categories can and are being produced today but at slower rates and higher costs.

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### **Shock And Acceleration**

Specifications sometimes call for shock and acceleration requirements in which the g level is far greater than 20 or 30 g. A relay which will withstand 20 g of vibration will withstand the same order of magnitude for acceleration and usually three or four times this g value for shock. Serious consideration should be given to determine the necessity of meeting extreme g values. If these high values are satisfied, there is a possibility that other environmental features will suffer. Realistic requirements will result in minimum weight and size.

### Size

Small size and producibility do not go hand in hand. The smaller the relay, the more difficult it becomes to manufacture on a mass production basis. Inquiries for size reduction of the "crystal can" size relay have been received and turned down for one reason: the required practical optical instruments necessary to produce these smaller units on a production basis are not available.

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The following hypothetical case illustrates an extreme condition frequently occurring among relay users: Circuit designer A requires a relay capable of performing 50,000 switching operations maximum for a particular application. He requests components engineer B to write a specification for this relay allowing a safety factor of 100% for a total of 100,000 operations. Purchasing agent C receives the subsequent specification and is advised to procure the relay with a "little safety factor," say 100%. Relay manufacturer D receives an inquiry about the availability of this relay and discovers that his standard in-stock item, type X, with a selling price of Y dollars, would meet all requirements except for life which is rated for 50,000 operations (probably with the usual 100% safety factor). Therefore, the relay would "have to be redesigned." Purchasing agent C then is advised that the relay he wants can be made but at

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### **Contact Rating**

The contact rating of a relay is also a measure of its relative cost and size. Realistic contact requirements will prevent the relay designer from using special contact materials which will perform substantially above the actual requirement—but will result in a costlier item. The larger the contact load, the larger will be the contact size. It is advantageous to limit contact rating to a reasonably safe limit since large contact masses cause a consequent penalty in shock and vibration resistance.

#### **Contact Bounce**

Increasingly more relay specifications dictate a contact bounce limit in terms of maximum allowable total bounce. The thought behind this is: keeping the bounce time as low as possible will increase the longevity of the relay contacts. In the majority of relay applications, the bounce time of a relay will not adversely affect its control function,

### **Contact Arrangement**

Many users will procure all 4-pole relays to be used in either 1, 2, 3 or 4-pole applications. This encourages mass production. The program, however, is sometimes defeated when the manufacturer is asked to decrease the weight of the entire 4-pole line, when a 1 or 2-pole type would have solved the user's weight problem. Specify only the required number of contacts.

### **Temperature Limits**

Many manufacturers are producing Class A relays using materials which are completely satisfactory for Class B temperatures. In many cases, the only Class B requirement which these Class A relays do not meet is: minimum attract voltage at maximum temperature. To minimize costs, determine if the requirements for low voltage operation and maximum temperature exist simultaneously.

### Relay Coil Power

The size and cost of magnetic relays are dependent on allowable coil power. The operating ampere-turns are proportional to the power input and the size of the magnetic structure. For a given set of operating conditions, decreasing the size of the magnetic structure will increase the required coil power. Conversely, increasing the size of the magnetic structure will decrease the required coil power. Many relay users specify a value of allowable coil power which is less than that required for optimum performance. This leads to a "sensitive" relay adjustment. It means





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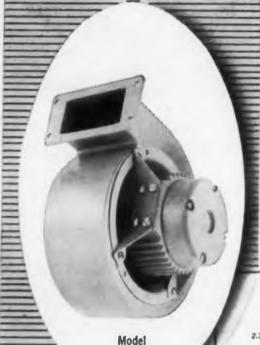
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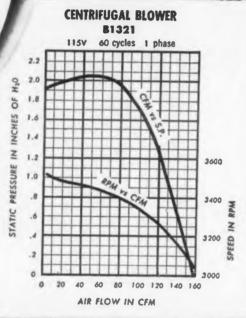
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### **DIGEST**

decreasing contact pressure and contact gap to the point where the allowable power will just operate the relay. This is not recommended for long life and optimum performance. Stringent shock, vibration and acceleration specifications are not compatible with sensitive relay adjustments.

### Ac vs Dc Coils

Pure ac coils are inefficient. More contacts can be actuated by a 5 w dc coil than by a 5 w pure ac coil. The use of pure ac introduces weight and size penalties. An ac unit has far less inherent shock vibration and acceleration resistance than its dc counterpart. Many close differential units and relays requiring specific attract and release values are impractical to produce for pure ac use. The efficiency of dc structures can be utilized for ac operation by the use of rectification networks. This results in all of the advantages of the dc relay with only a cost penalty for the rectification network.

#### Attract And Release Values

Where simple on-off operation is the basic requirement of a relay, the minimum operating value should be determined by the lowest voltage anticipated in the application. In a like manner, release values specified where differential operation is not required, increase the cost of manufacturing and may penalize the user from the standpoint of vibration, shock and acceleration resistance.

### Dielectric

The dielectric specification of a relay is often much higher than actually required with a consequent penalty in size, weight, and cost. Specify a higher voltage rating than the open circuit condition to safeguard against high voltage surges, but be reasonable.

### **Leak Testing**

The method of leak testing hermetically sealed relays should be seriously considered. Most relay specifications permit the use of either mass spectrometer testing or water testing for production inspection, and usually require both for qualification approval. The water test is the fastest and least costly of the two. A water test performed under a vacuum equivalent to 80,000 ft altitude is about equivalent in sensitivity to an allowable mass spectrometer leak rate of 1000 x 10<sup>-8</sup> cc per sec. Thus a relay of the size of MS-25024-2, which could have an allowable leak rate of about 10,000 x 10<sup>-8</sup> cc per sec when tested per MIL-R-6106-C, could positively be detected by a water test.

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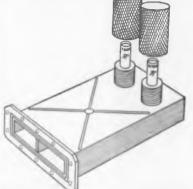
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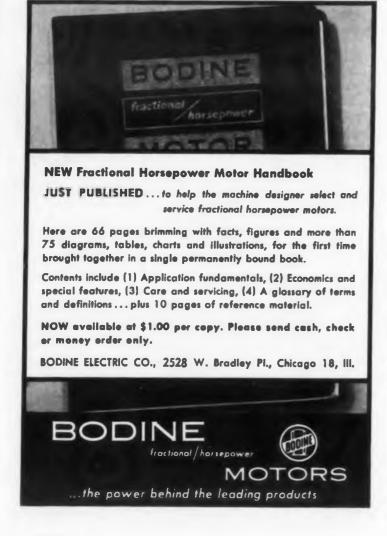
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### Intermediate Energy Level Area

In general terms, the Intermediate Energy Level Area (formerly called a fringe or gray area) is that area of contact loading in which mechanical, thermal, and electrical effects, except arcing, can change the condition of the contact interfaces. Thus, the Intermediate Energy Level Area, in which somewhat variable contact performance may result due to softening, melting and/or bridge transfer, shall be defined as that area of contact loading exceeding the softening voltage and less than the minimum arcing level for the contact material used.

For example, the intermediate energy level area for pure gold contacts would be the softening voltage (80 mv at 0 C) and the minimum arcing level (approximately 15 v peak maximum and/or 0.38 amp peak max when operated in normal atmosphere at room temperature with 90% humidity); similarly, the intermediate energy level area for pure platinum contacts would be between the softening voltage (250 mv at 0 C) and the minimum arcing level (approximately 17.5 v peak max and/or 0.9 amp peak max when operated in normal atmosphere at room temperature with 35 to 60 per cent humidity). For the common contact materials, the minimum arcing voltages range from 11 ±5 v for silver-gold and silver-palladium contacts operated under normal atmospheric conditions to  $21 \pm 5 \text{ v}$  for pure silver contacts operated in a dry hydrogen atmosphere and the minimum arcing currents range from 0.25 amp for silver-gold contacts to 0.9 amp for pure platinum contacts, both operated under normal atmospheric conditions.

### High Energy Level Area

In general terms, the High Energy Level Area (formerly called a power area) is that area of contact loading in which mechanical, thermal and electrical effects can change the condition of the contact interfaces, and in which arcing and arc transfer will take place. Thus, the High Energy Level Area shall be defined as that area of contact loading which exceeds the minimum arcing level for the contact material used. In this area, arcing will rupture any films present and contact life and performance will be determined by such factors as loss of material, arc transfer, mechanical sticking, welding, and particle contamination.

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# Reliable Relay Contact Systems: What To Consider Before Specifying Them

MUCH can be done to minimize the erratic nature of relay contact performance—thus improving the reliability of electronic equipment—by considering some basic facts about contact materials and cleanliness before specifying the relay contacts.

The initial contact of two spherical metal surfaces results in point contact. Deformation occurs as the compressive force between them increases, and the point becomes a small area. Other contact points occur and become small areas, perhaps merging with the first. Under normal conditions, surface molecules are not pure metal. They may be adherent gaseous or hydrocarbon molecules, tarnishes, or oxides, plus minute dirt particles. The thickness of these films of foreign materials may be considerable.

In the accompanying enlarged sketch of the contact area, note the shaded portion in which insulating films are substantially undamaged, and two small conducting ("A" spots) in which insulating films have been badly cracked or displaced. One widely held theory states that a potential difference between the two mating metal surfaces results in a small trickle of current, but rather sizeable  $I^2R$  losses at the tiny A spot. This energy loss becomes heat, and metal is melted. A bridge of molten metal continues to enlarge, increasing current and reducing contact resistance, and indirectly resulting in a reduction of potential drop between the mating contacts.

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(Max.)	113	30
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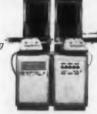


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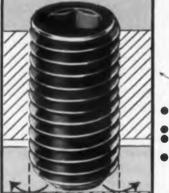
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contacts are opened, and surface films generally reform quite rapidly.

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# **Factors Affecting Contact Performance**

It is evident, then, that contact performance is readily affected by these key factors:

Circuit Characteristics. Low level circuits, in which the total energy available for dissipation at the contact surfaces, may be insufficient to build a metallic bridge. High resistance, or apparent open circuits, occur very often unless all other conditions are ideal. If the current and voltage level are excessive for the contact in question, the resulting metal bridge may be sufficiently large to damage the contact surface upon rupture, or perhaps even result in sticking or welded contacts. Excessive contact heating will promote the growth of films.

Contact Movement. Contact closure might in some remote way be considered analogous to a hammer hitting an anvil. It is apparent that there will be a tendency to rupture the surface film. And there will be a tendency for the contacts to bounce. Also, there may be a lateral, or wiping movement associated with contact closure. Well designed contact systems feature the practicable hammer action on closure even though this hammer action is of insufficient magnitude to deform or penetrate tougher surface films. Contact bounce, however, may be either inconsequential or detrimental, depending on the intended application. Circuit intermittence for a millisecond or more after contact closure, associated with contact bounce, may be objectionable in some cases. Generally, for contacts intended only for low level applications, a small amount of contact bounce is not harmful, and may aid slightly in deforming or breaking surface films. Bounce is usually considered harmful where contacts are intended for currents and voltages of a higher level, as each bounce represents an opportunity for arcing to occur. Contact wiping action is helpful in the removal of particles of foreign material which occasionally interfere with normal contact performance. Contact opening, and the reopening associated with contact bounce, will result in arcing unless the circuit is low level. The cumulative



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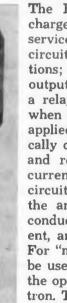
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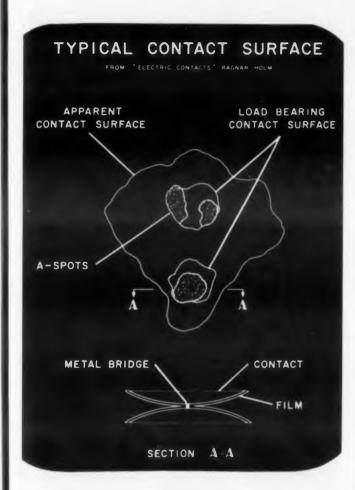
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effect of this arcing is the major factor in limiting the normal life of high level contacts.

Contact Pressure And Shape. High contact pressures are helpful in squeezing or rupturing some surface films. Therefore, for contacts not intended to handle higher currents, small size is necessary to obtain higher contact pressure from a given force system. When high currents must be considered, contact size is governed by the need to provide adequate area of contact, so that over-



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heating and subsequent damage will not occur. Contact Materials. The ideal contact material should have conductivity comparable to silver or copper, the heat resistance of tungsten, the freedom from oxidation of platinum and paladium, the freedom from affinity for surface films of gold, and should be dirt cheap. All of the above are used as contact materials, but perhaps none so much as dirt. The most desirable contact material changes depending on conditions. Experience shows that gold and some gold alloys, such as the 61% gold, 25% silver, and 6% platinum are about the best materials for low level circuits. Palladium is a poor choice in hermetically sealed enclosures due to affinity for hydrocarbons. Flash platings of gold over some less expensive metal are frequently unsatisfactory due either to the tendency of the base metal to migrate through the gold or



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# **Specifying Contacts**

A specification for components and component parts incorporating contacts should contain performance requirements for these contacts, and should contain or reference test procedures for insuring conformance. The maker should be told of the closed circuit current, maximum permissible resistance, and the available open circuit voltage. It should be noted whether this voltage will be available at closure, and whether the current will be flowing as the contacts are opened.

The nature of any surge currents should be described, including amplitude and duration. The required contact life should be noted in number of operations, taking into account all component, sub-system, and system testing plus a reasonable safety factor.

Note all external environments, such as shock, acceleration, vibration and temperature. In the event failure of contacts to make, or high resistance, for any one operation might cause a critical circuit failure, a run-in, or "miss" test should be specified for each unit. When this critical operation takes place either well above or well below the room ambient area, testing at the extreme temperature should be specified. The specification should avoid requirements for specific design details, such as contact material, size, force, type of enclosure, etc. However, where certain necessary performance requirements are impractical, there is no alternative to specifying such readily controlled details as hermetical sealing or gold alloy contacts.

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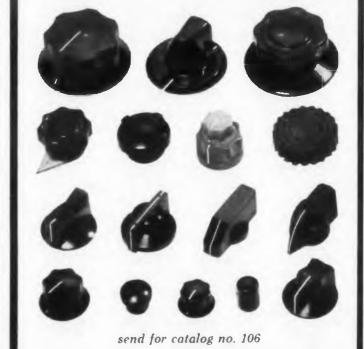
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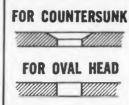
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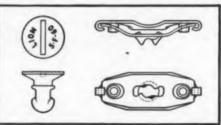
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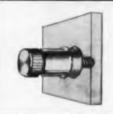


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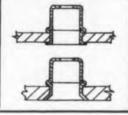


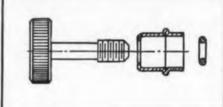




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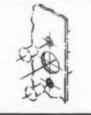
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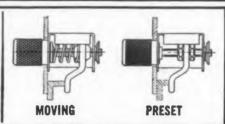




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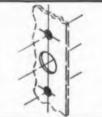


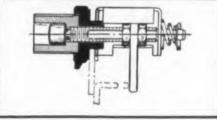




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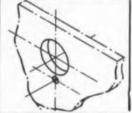


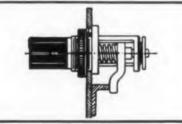




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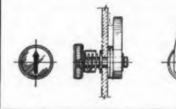




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# **Functional Characteristics**

#### **Semiconductors**

# 8. Contact bounce or chatter: none.

# 9. Life: in excess of 10,-000 hr.

# Relays

8. Measurable.

9. Life: average 10,000 to 300,000 operations.

# **Factors In Relay Replacement**

A rough estimate of components needed to replace a 4-position transfer relay would be 20 resistors rated at 1/2 w, and 8 bilateral transistors. This is not considering the actuating device in either case. The semiconductor actuating device has more components than the actuating device of the electrochemical.

Point by point replacement is not economically feasible at this time and it appears that it will not become economically feasible for quite some time. The unit cost of a semiconductor would have to be considerably less than the present cost of industrial transistors. However, economics is not the only factor to be considered in replacing relays and in some critical applications functional characteristics make it necessary to use a semiconductor.

Replacement of relays by transistors or semiconductors primarily for functional gains (speed advantages, etc.) permits flexibility in circuit design which enables the circuit designer to use different concepts in performing machine logic thus, in many cases, reducing the quantity of circuit switches required. Information which was formally fed in parallel can now be fed serially and circuit duplication reduced substantially.

These advantages and disadvantages in each mode of switching are:

#### **Electrochemical Switches**

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# 2. Flexible in contact material and construction to provide numerous contact combinations.

#### Disadvantages

- 1. Inherent contact bounce and chatter on most types.
- 2. Operating speed limited by mass.

# **Electrochemical Switches**

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# Disadvantages

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3. Actuating coil introduces transients in circuitry.

4. Can be made independent of temperature. humidity or radiation. within reason.

4. Contact materials and pressures restrict use in so-called dry circuits.

5. Relatively low cost switching when figured on a per contacts basis. (Relays at from 15 to 30 cents per point can be made on a multipoint basis).

5. It is possible to get intermittent failure.

6. Readily available.

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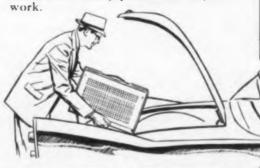
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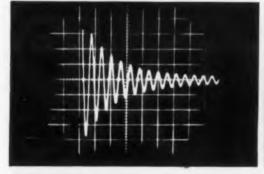
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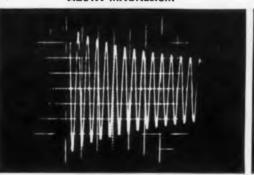


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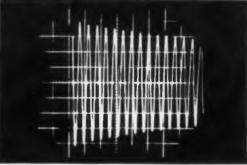




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# System Reliability Studies

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#### **Photoconductive Detectors**

A description of the basic characteristics of photoconductive detectors is given to aid in the interpretation of data obtained in photo conductive research and experimentation. Properties described include variation in signal and noise with bias voltage; frequency response; time constant; spectral response; black body sensitivity; temperature dependence; and sensitive contours. Characteristics of Photoconductive Detectors, A. 1. Cussen, Naval Ordnance Laboratory, Corona, Calif., Feb. 1958, 24 pp, \$0.75. Order PB 151728 from OTS, Washington 25, D. C.

# Ferrites: Properties and Microwave Uses

Interim Report No. 2, Faraday rotation at microwave frequencies in waveguide structures containing ferrites. Interim Report No. 3, analysis of the non-reciprocal reflections expected when a microwave field propagates through a ferrite of finite length in the direction of propagation. Interim Report No. 4, experimental arrangement for measuring the scattering matrices of microwave devices. Interim Report No. 5, development of a microwave circulator as a cascaded arrangement of identical non-reciprocal coupling holes between two rectangular waveguides. Electronic Properties of Ferrites and Their Application to Microwave Devices, D. W. Healy, Jr. and R. A. Johnson, Syracuse University, Research Institute, N. Y., Oct. 1956, 6 pp, Microfilm \$1.80, Photocopy \$1.80. Order PB 137279 from Library of Congress, Washington 25, D. C.

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# **Transistors**

A 1959 revision of its Catalog of Technical Reports on transistors lists 146 technical reports available to industry through the facilities of OTS, in some cases in printed form and in others in photocopy or microfilm. The reports are the results of research by the Army, Navy, and Air Force between 1949 and June 1959. CTR-310 Transistors OTS, U. S. Department of Commerce, Washington 25, D.C., 10 cents a copy.

# **Ferrites**

This paper summarizes the ferrite development program at the Diamond Ordnance Fuze Laboratories (DOFL). A brief discussion of the fundamentals of magnetic materials and the results of the theory as related to ferrites are included to give the electronic design engineer a better understanding of the function of ferrites in microvave systems. A number of significant ferrite components developed at DOFL are described and the experimental results obtained are given to illustrate applications of the theory

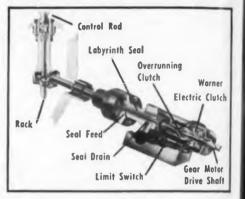
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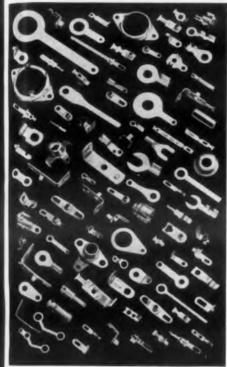
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# Sensitivity of Active Networks

An important consideration in the design of an amplifier is the extent to which the amplifier's performance can be desensitized to changes in its active elements. In this report the three possible methods of achieving gain constancy despite changes in the parameters of a linear network are described. Sensitivity of Active Networks to Variations in Internal Parameters, E. M. Davis, Ir., Stanford Electronics Laboratory, Stanford University, Calif., Aug 1958, 174 pp, Microfilm \$8.10, Photocopy \$27.30, PB 140881 from Library of Congress, Washington 25, D. C.

# **Power Resistor Mounting Hardware**

Mountings for the twelve resistor styles under investigation were divided into three groups, each with similar resistor-tube diameters. Three hundred ceramic washers for all three groups were procured, with associated L-brackets. through-bolts, nuts, locking washers, and resistors. Only two manufacturers (AG and D) of the seven included could provide the type with the ceramic insulating washers. The investigations consisted of the following mounting torque, temperature cycling, thermal shock, moisture-resistance cycling, and high-temperature exposure. The D ceramic insulating washers, being smaller in size than those from Manufacturer AG, showed up the weaker, breaking at lower values of mounting torque and failing during temperature cycling, thermal shock and high-temperature exposure. The brackets and bolts from both manufacturers corroded extensively when exposed to moistureresistance tests. A standard set of mounting hardware was suggested, separated as before into three groups of similar resistor styles. A sequence of tests was also suggested for future qualification of the hardware. Component Evaluation and Specification Engineering. Final Report on Task XXVIII. Power resistor Mounting Hardware, L. H. Stember, Jr. and P. G. Perry, Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio, June 1956, 47 pp, Microfilm \$3.30, Photocopy \$7.80. Order PB 137081 from Library of Congress, Washington 25, D. C.





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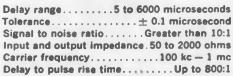


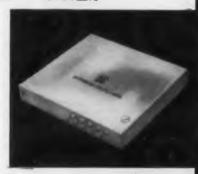
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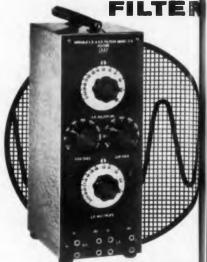
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# **Cooling Considerations for Airborne** Equipment

The purpose of this paper is to acquaint the electronic designer with some of the problems concerned with cooling electronic equipment in high-speed aircraft. Cooling Considerations for the Design of Airborne Electronic Equipment, Henry Cohan, Riverside Research Laboratory, Motorola, Inc., Calif., July 1956, 42 pp, Microfilm \$3.30, Photocopy \$7.80. Order PB 140751 from Library of Congress, Washington 25, D. C.

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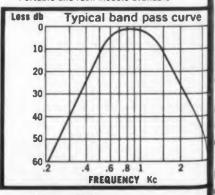


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# **Electromechanical Filters**

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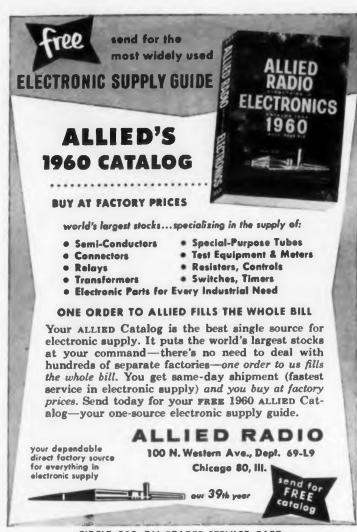
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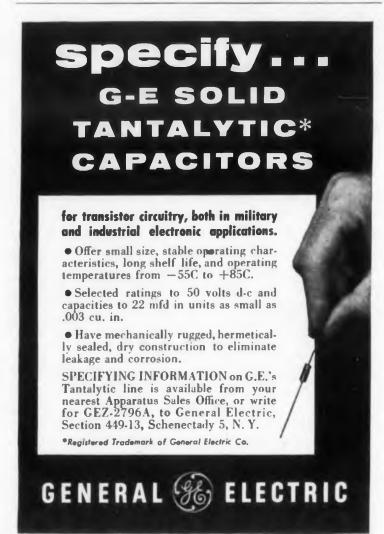
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# STANDARDS AND SPECS

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# Data Given On Standardizing Interconnections

Covering standardized interconnections and index pin codes, this publication is noteworthy for the listing contained and the guidance notes for designers of plug interconnections. Standardized index pin code arrangements have been adopted to guard against airborne equipment from being inadvertently placed in the wrong rack location.

By standardizing specific combinations of index pins (on the rack) and corresponding index holes (on the equipment) for each specific unit of equipment, a unit cannot be installed in a rack location where it is not intended to be. Each unit of equipment having a particular size and a set of pin connections will be assigned a specific index code arrangement. It is this compilation of index pin code arrangements that is listed in this ARINC (Aeronautical Radio, Inc.) publication.

In assigning pin numbers (if technical considerations permit) these factors should be considered:

1. Assign pin numbers for functions which can be related to the pin number. For example, in a device which might use ten selectable channels, it is useful in simplifying maintenance to assign Channel 1 to Pin 1, Channel 2 to Pin 2, etc.

2. Another useful technique is to assign pin numbers by groups. One group of perhaps ten pins for channel selection, the second group for gain, volume, and sensitivity controls, the fourth group for power, etc. It is particularly useful here to provide a small number of spares immediately after a group. This permits the spares to be used in a logical manner when modifications are made at a later date.

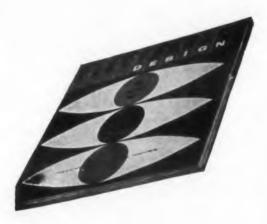
Precautionary considerations are also involved. Do not assign input and output leads so that they are adjacent in the plug. Isolate high-impedance leads such as AVC bus (for testing).

Sensitive circuits, or circuits where leakage may be a problem, should be arranged so that any leakage is to ground via adjacent pins rather than to other sensitive circuits or to circuits above ground.

Pins for circuits requiring twisted, shielded leads should be adjacent to each other and to a ground connection, or to a pin which can carry a ground connection "through to some common ground. In most cases, ground pins must be pro-

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And designers should select pin types and sizes suitable for the functions for which they are used. Not only normal operating currents, but also possible overload conditions should be considered in selecting pin ratings.

Copies of this document are available from Aeronautical Radio, Inc., 1700 K St., N.W., Washington D.C. ARINC No. 406, Airborne Electronic Equipment Standardization Interconnections and Index Pin Codes.

# Standards Cover Magnetic Tape And Wire

Covering recording tape primarily for home use, this newly issued standard is published by the Electronic Industries Association. The standard establishes dimensions and preferred operating speeds for standard 1/4-in. magnetic recording tape. This tape may be used for single, dual, or four track recording. Copies of this standard are available from EIA, 11 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N.Y., for 30 cents each. EIA RS-224, Magnetic Recording Tapes, August 1959.

Also issued by EIA is a standard on magnetic wire. This standard specifies the nominal wire speed, direction of rotation, the wire size, and the recording wire spool dimensions. Available from EIA for 25 cents, specify EIA RS-223, Magnetic Recording Instruments, August 1959.

# Definitions And Descriptions Of Transmission Lines Provided

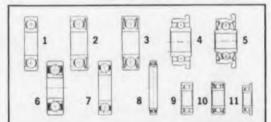
This new standard issued by EIA limits itself to gas-filled rigid coax transmission lines and their connectors. Semiflexible transmission lines and their connectors are not covered. It is the intent of this standard to provide complete mechanical interchangeability for all rigid coax connectors and lines. Standard definitions are established for terms such as average wall thickness, characteristic impedance, attenuation, standing wave ratio, and power and voltage ratings. In addition, the upper frequency limit is established. Tables and lustrations are provided to show the dimensions, tolerances, characteristic impedance and cutoff frequencies for rigid air dielectric coaxial transmission lines having 50-ohm impedances. Copies of this standard are available from the Electronic Industries Association, 11 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N.Y., for 80 cents each. EIA RS-225, Rigid Coaxial Transmission Lines 50 Ohms, August 1959.

# MIL-P-20693 Plastic Compounds

Upgrading of this spec has been accomplished by including the standard responsibility for inspection clause. Amendment 2, 12 June 1959.

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### Radiation Measurements Standardized

Standardized methods of test for determining rf radiation from broadcast radio and television receivers are established by this new IEC publication. These methods were established to make possible comparison of the results of radiation measurements obtained by different observers. The first section covers radiation at frequencies below 30 mc from am receivers and from television receiver time-base circuits. Frequencies between 30 and 300 mc are covered in a second section. Copies of this International Electrotechnical Commission standard are available from the American Standards Association, 70 E. 45th St., New York 17, N.Y., for \$3.60 per copy. IEC Publication 106.

# Test Methods Covered For Ceramic Capacitors

Ceramic dielectric capacitors specifically suited for resonant circuit applications or where low losses and high stability are essential are covered in this IEC standard. Excluded are capacitors for rf currents exceeding one ampere or for a large reactive power. Test methods are described as are color codes for marking. Copies are available from the American Standards Association, 70 E. 45th St., New York 17, N.Y., for \$3.20 per copy. IEC Publication 108.

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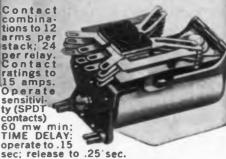
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# New Semiconductor Spec (2)

General tests specified include: breakdown voltage; capacitance; case insulation; drift; dew point; high and low temperature operation; noise figure; and thermal time constant, resistance, and response time. Adequate inspection procedures and precautions are included for proper inspection and test. The devices shall also be subjected to environmental tests such as: bending moment; burnout by pulsing; constant acceleration; moisture resistance; and operation life, storage life, and intermittent life tests. Special test procedures are also established for the diodes covered by this spec. MIL-S-19500B, General Specifications for Semiconductor Devices, 30 June 1950. At the same time a detail spec was issued for a 25-milliwatt, high-frequency, germanium, pnp transistor for use in high-frequency amplifiers and oscillators and video circuits. The Transistor is type JAN-2N128, MIL-T-19500/9A.

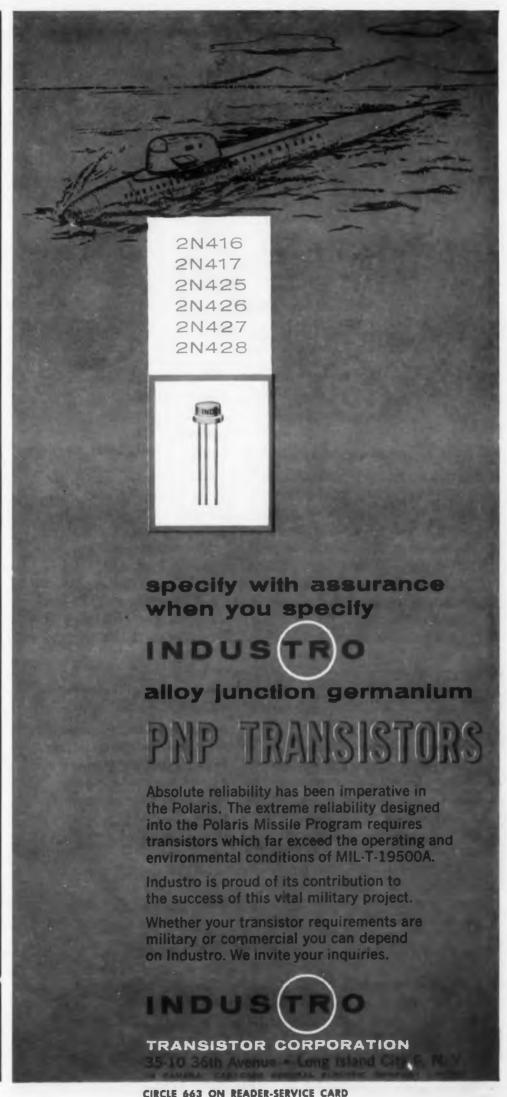
# **New Semiconductor Spec Approved By DOD**

Approved by the Department of Defense, this spec is mandatory for use by the Army, Navy, and Air Force. This spec, MIL-S-19500B, covers the general requirements for semiconductor devices used in Military equipment. Specified requirements for a particular type of semiconductor are listed in the applicable detail spec.

Included in this spec are transistors and semiconductor diodes. Identification numbers of semiconductors meeting this spec will be assigned by the Joint Electron Device Engineering Council. The numbers agree with the type of numbers currently in use.

The type designation may be either marked in accordance with MIL-STD-130 or color coded. A suitable polarity marking shall be included on diodes. Country of origin shall also be marked.

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T IS NOT surprising today to find at the head of some of our largest industrial corporations men with degrees in engineering. What are the routes by which these men achieved their present position? Traditionally, the young engineer going into a company has one of two routes open to him. The first of these is through his technical know-how, his engineering specialty. In short, he becomes an expert. The other traditional alternate way to the top has been through the path of supervision, accepting higher and higher supervisory responsibilities, until he reached the top of the organization.

In the past few years, especially since the Korean War, a third way to the top has opened. It is by means of creativity.

With the ever increasing competition, especially in the area of electronic development, those companies are successful which find the unusual, the unique new products, processes, manufacturing methods and cost reductions. All positive change comes about as a result of someone's ideas, a newer and better way of doing or making something.

Ideas mean creativity. Creativity means being able to develop end results which will satisfy the needs of the organization in a way which they have never been satisfied previously. All engineers have within them the basic capacity to be creative. What prevents many of them from doing so are obstacles which must first be overcome.

The obstacles to creative thinking lie primarily in three areas: perceptual, cultural and emotional. This article will deal with the first of these obstacles, the perceptual blocks to creativity.

The family of perceptual blocks is probably the single most frustrating and damaging one. These are the types of blocks that make us "want to kick ourselves" for not having seen the solution previously. They are caused primarily by not seeing what the problems are or what actaully may be wrong in the situation These are the types of blocks that cause us to begin our work in problem solving without the proper goal in mind. These have to do primarily with our statement of the problem, our biases toward and preconceived notions about the problem While we are not talking about attitudes b as such, it should be realized that there is very little in our outward behavior that it not colored in some manner or other by our attitudes toward them.

To a great degree, our perceptual blocks may be classified as merely having a mental set or predisposition toward see-



This is the first of three articles on blocks to creativity. Subsequent articles will discuss cultural and emotional obstacles.

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ing the situation in a certain way, no matter how closely or how thoroughly we look at it. Let us look at a few examples of this type of block:

# 1. Difficulty in isolating the problem.

This is the case where the individual is unable to separate the real problem from related problems, or as we say, he cannot see the forest for the trees.

While this sounds basic and elementary, it is nevertheless extremely important to pinpoint the problem specifically. Too often we are not tackling the real problem at all. This is similar to the physician who treats symptoms rather than curing the disease or to the mechanic who when unable to figure out whether the car has ignition, fuel system or other trouble, will eventually decide on a complete overhaul.

To show just how deadly these little blocks can be, try some of the problems associated with them. You will find the answers to these problems at the end of the article.

# TIME FLIES YOU CANNOT THEY FLY TOO FAST

ry to punctuate this sentence so that it hakes sense.

# 2. Difficulty caused by narrowing the problem too much.

This block is caused by paying little or no attention to the environment surrounding the problem. It is not unusual to find in scientific endeavors that experiments are sometimes conducted to determine a particular point while the effect of other variables of the total situation is ignored.

The above block comes about primarily because of our inability to see the problem stated in any other terms than it is. For example, try the little exercise below:

HOW CAN YOU MAKE FOUR NINES EQUAL ONE HUNDRED

# 3. Difficulty in not investigating the obvious.

Once we have become accustomed to looking at certain situations and problems in a particular way, it becomes increasingly difficult not to do this. Everyday we look at the same things, but really cease to "see" them. Pass the same bulletin board every day, and even though the notices change from time to time, unless there is something really different about the new notice (a different color paper, etc.) the chances are that we will not see it. So it is with our design problems. The first reaction to the assignment of designing a new component is to look for components which are similar and provide the same function. Is it not just as easy to sit down and ask yourself what better or simpler or cheaper method could be used to achieve the same end result?

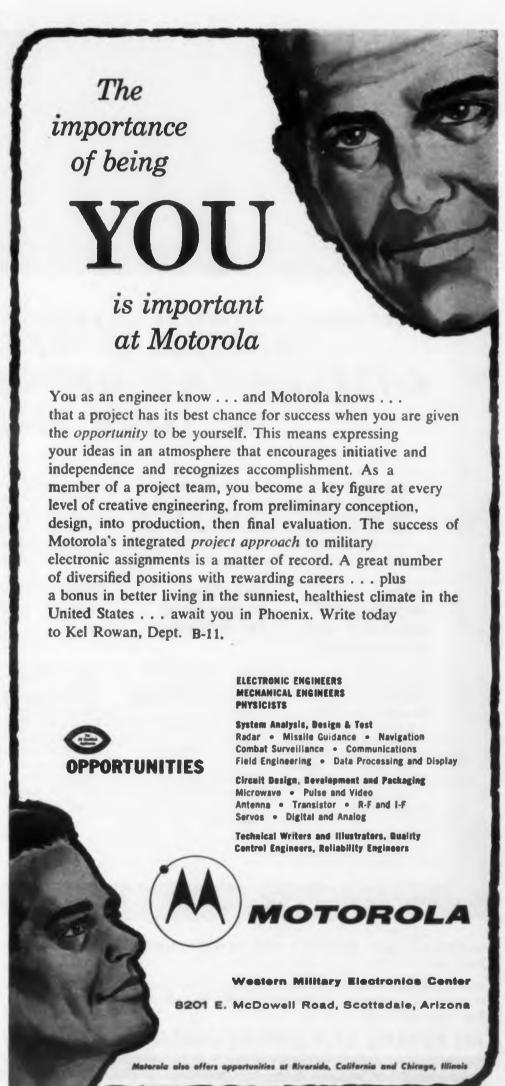
The person who first thought of using a flexible ice cube tray got the idea from noticing that some water in his boots, which had been left outside, had frozen during the night and had flipped out quite readily when the boot was turned inside out. How obvious.

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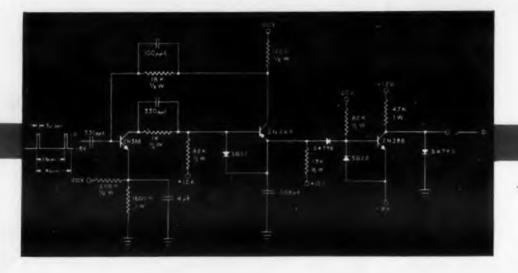
Two Indians, a big one and a little one, were walking through the woods. They resemble each other and in truth are related. The little Indian is the son of the big Indian, but the big Indian is not the father of the little Indian. What is their relationship?

# 4. The failure to distinguish between cause and effect.

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knows the difference between cause and effect. However, these, as he will learn, are not always this clear-cut. Nor do statistics always provide the correct answer.

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The person who would be creative must learn not to jump to conclusions regarding causality.

# 5. Failure to use all of the senses in observing.

While we have talked about the five senses for years, and although we know what these are and also know that we can observe through all of them, when we use the word observation the meaning is still for most of us in terms of vision only. A great amount of information can be gained from experiences other than visual. Concept formation, the reaching of conclusions, classification of situations—all of these can be formed through other than visual methods.

We are all familiar with people who have a deficiency in one of the five senses. People who are either blind or deaf are able to compensate by the strengthening of the faculties which they have remaining to them. Try sometime shutting your eyes for awhile and try doing things with your eyes shut. You will find, after the first few frustrations and bumped knees, that you can do quite well really by using the senses of touch, hearing and smell.

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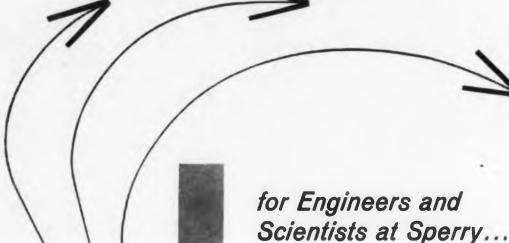
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UCLA is not the first university to have such a program, of course, but it has one of the most extensive. This past summer marked its first full scale venture into the program. Its summer courses included Nonlinear Problems in Random Theory (Norbert Wiener of MIT heading the course); Astrodynamics and Rocket Navigation (Robert M. L. Baker, Jr. of Aeronutronic Systems Div., Ford); Thermochemistry of Rocket Propulsion (Donald J. Simkin, Marquardt Aircraft); Theory and Applications of Infrared Radiation and Detection (K. N. Satyendra, now with Nortronics Div. of Northrop, and Max Garbuny of Westinghouse Research); Strain Gauge Techniques (William Murray, MIT); Metal Processing, (Continued on p. 234)

Two-week infrared course at UCLA was sparked by Dr. K. N. Satyendra (I), Dr. Max Garbuny (c) and Tom Vogl (r), all with Westinghouse Electric at the time. Dr. Satyendra is now with Nortonics.

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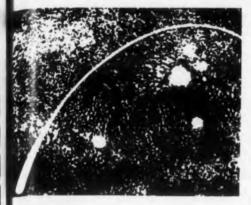
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# **CAREER NEWS**

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Cutting (Milton, C. Shaw, MIT); Statistical Methods in Industry (Edward P. Coleman); Information Storage and Retrieval (R. M. Hayes, Magnavox R & D Laboratories); and other courses not of consuming interest to electronic design engineers, such as Design of Prestressed Concrete Structures.

Cryogenic Engineering, Corrosion Engineering, Communications in Science and Industry, and Packaging, Plant Layout and Material Handling were given during November. Currently finishing up are a series of lectures on "Foundations of Future Electronics."

Good Investment for Engineers, Industry says Dr. Sam Houston, dynamic assistant head of the UCLA Engineering Extension. The intent of the courses, according to Houston, is to cover the fundamentals and applications in each field as thoroughly as possible in 70 hours.

Cost of courses is about \$150 per person—a pretty good deal considering the two units credit given for passing the course.

"We try to get the top people in the field to set up and coordinate the courses," says Dr. Houston. "These are on-the-job men and can tell what their engineering confreres want and need to know. They can point out gaps in present-day knowledge and describe new trends and developments

"Courses themselves are chosen in different ways—by request from industry or the military, or by talking to engineers and deciding a blank exists in a given category. One of the problems in frontier courses like these is classification. We are never too sure how broad a field we should cover."

UCLA plans to conduct two courses per month throughout the year on roughly a graduate level. The program, to be successful, calls for an average of 50 students in each course. This has so far been achieved easily—the spread is from about 40 to 100 students, depending on the course. As a rule more students apply than were planned forthe infrared course expected 50, got 113; Norbert Wiener asked for no more than 20, got 33.

How good are the courses? To find out ELECTRONIC DESIGN went to the Theory and Applications of Infrared Radiation and Detection course

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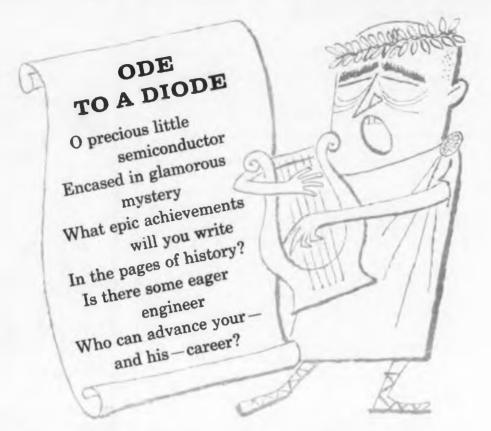
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# CAREER NEWS

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In more detail, the class covered emission and absorption of heat radiation, emission and absorption of selective excitation, transmission phenomena, ir radiation sources for measurement and detection, ir optical systems, thermal detection, quantum detection, limits of detection, thin films, thermal detectors, photoconductivity and emissive cells, infrared imaging, the evolution of detectors and infrared electronics. Applications of infrared detection systems were enumerated and described: industrial safety and quality control, imaging and scanning systems in darkness and fog viewing, air-to-air and air-to-ground uses, radiation of missiles during escape and reentry, uses of ir for satellites and space vehicles, infrared spectra of extraterrestrial objects and so

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On Saturday a field trip to Aerojet-General Corp. in Azusa exposed newcomers to infrared processes, techniques and equipment.

In many ways the discussion periods were the most helpful. Homework problems were reviewed, students got a chance to work out mutual difficulties in the design of infrared equipment and made some very fine contacts with other people in the

Generally the course level was graduate. K. N. Satyendra, then of Westinghouse in Philadelphia, presently then Nortronics Div. of Northrop in Hawthorne, Calif., and Max Garbuny of Westinghouse Research in Pittsburgh guided the course. "The amount of material covered," Dr. Garbuny said, "would otherwise have been given during a sixteen-week term. Some of the material of course dated back as far as the 1890's-Wien, Rayleigh, Planck-but some, as far as possible without exposing classified information—was brand new."

Dr. Satyendra commented on the feasibility of giving so much material in so little time. "You must realize that first of all we require the student have at least a Bachelor's in Engineering or Science or its equivalent. Then, in each group are a number of PhD's in Physics. Many people are now working in infrared by necessity and do not

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have the appropriate foundation. They are often specialists in one small part of the field-through experience-and realize their shortcomings in other areas."

Some 113 persons attended the infrared course. They came from all over the United States and Canada. Military, academic, research and engineering personnel were numbered in the group. "Most people, of course," Garbuny said, were newcomers to infrared. This is the most oftenoccurring situation-the boss sends a new man to a short course to pick up information quickly." Viewed from this perspective it is hard to see a better investment of time and money, particularly if the company does not have a working training program of its own.

Independent talks were avoided in the series set up by Satyendra and Garbuny. The course was presented as an integrated unit. Other experts invited to lecture-J. R. Hansen of Westinghouse Research, Pittsburgh; W. Horn of Westinghouse Air Arm, Baltimore; and T. Vogel of Westinghouse Research, Pittsburgh-based their presentations on practical experience.

To insure good coordination, not too many bigname lecturers were chosen-five seemed plenty. Moreover Satyendra and Garbuny insisted that most of the teaching be based on practical experience. "We preach what we practice," said Dr. Garbuny.

This was not a matter of each expert presenting a unit lecture, however. When this happens there are often too many redundancies and too little material covered-it amounts to a speech on infrared electronics or ir detectors or the like, with no relation to the material that has gone before or will come after. The course as presented was written as a whole; each expert contributed one or more chapters as a natural growth of the information presentation.

The notes distributed at the lecture will be published: they make a good-sized book, complete with as much new information as possible. The book should be a valuable contribution to the study of infrared.

To engineers in the field it may seem strange that an infrared course was given in Los Angeles. "Like bringing oranges to California," commented Garbuny. With such centers of infrared activity as the Santa Barbara research centers, Hughes Aircraft, Raytheon, Stanford Research Labs, Lockheed, Berkeley, Thompson-Ramo-Wooldridge, Nortronics and Aerojet-General, there is certainly no dearth of enterprise in infrared on the West Coast.

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UCLA hopes to repeat the course next year. Satyendra and Garbuny are already planning their future activity. "It seemed quite a successful course," says Dr. Satyendra. "Perhaps next year we will arrange for a little extra time and more get-togethers. The problem and discussion sessions were very useful."

The UCLA short courses are a pleasure to attend. There is first of all the knowledge that the course provides the student with as much information as he can absorb in two weeks. He spends his whole day concentrating on one subject to the exclusion of all else. Months of this treatment would be dreary, but two or three weeks of it is satisfying and rewarding.

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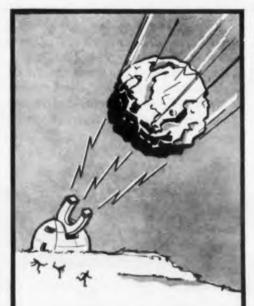
As mentioned before, most students taking the short courses are engineers entering the field, who want to pick up as much advanced information as possible as quickly as possible. But there are usually a healthy number of PhDs in attendance; as well as engineers currently working in the field. These latter two types get most of their new information from the discussion periods, where they bring up problems that have been bothering them.

In this sense, the course is like a two-week symposium, with all attendees living in fairly close proximity; able to talk shop at leisure.

How can you go? Most students are informed of the courses via their company training officer. The training officer receives a brochure from UCLA and asks the chief engineer if he can name somebody he'd like to have attend the course.

UCLA's facilities for locating companies that might have an interest in any given field are limited, of course. Moreover, Harold Caysen, assistant to Dr. Sam Houston, notes that the school is presently involved in deciding just which classes to give. Some that are planned for next year include Missile Silo Construction and Ventilation; Plasma Physics and Controlled Fusion; Behavior of Dislocations (involving failure of materials); Human Factors; Operations Research and Systems Analysis; Hot Cell Technology (nuclear

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power plants); Computers, Advanced Programming; and, tacked on to the original infrared course, an extra week in Advanced Infrared. Microminiaturization, Cryogenics, Advanced Cryogenics and Applications of Generalized Harmonic Analysis will also be included—all in addition to the courses mentioned in the first part of this article.

Do any of these strike a note? To receive the UCLA program for any given course, write to the Engineering Extension, University of California at Los Angeles, 405 Hilgard, Los Angeles 24, Calif.

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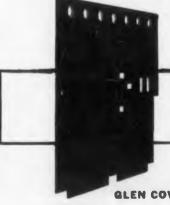
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