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In the WESCON Round Up, p 62 we have summarized what manufac furers told us they thought were outstanding recent developments in their particular fields. They also predicted for us the developments which they thought were most likely in the near future. Along with these answers to our questionnaire we have listed some of the products to be seen in each of the categories discussed
Product features in this issue include descriptions of the Convertron power supply and the Jaguar series of inexpensive paper capacitors which are moisture resistant. We believe these products will be of more than ordinary interest to our readers Both will be on exhibit at the show

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Biological-electronic analogies presented; blood flowmeters discussed; and variety of medical-electronics equipment shown during Fourth International Conference on Medical Electronics.

## On Electronic-Medical Agenda

Imaginative design approaches to the meas urement of blood flow and physical models for human organs and cells, particularly the neuron, were among the chief topics of discussion at the Fourth International Conference on Medical Electronics in New York City.

The week-long conference and exhibit, ending July 21, was held at the Waldorf-Astoria.

Technical sessions delved into a wide variety of electronic-medical combinations in nearly 300 papers. Equipment shown was largely aimed at heart measurements. Several manufacturers showed portable electrocardiographs or miniature fm telemetry units for transmitting cardiac signals to remote receivers.

ANALOGIES between the operation of electrical circuits and parts of the body were presented in many of the technical sessions and exhibits at the recent medical electronics conference in New York.

The extent of work going on in this field was illustrated by the following presentations at the meeting:

- Lumped-circuit constants were used to represent the functioning of the heart and the circulatory system.
- A hydraulic-type reflex klystron was used to closely approximate heart action.
- Theoretical cell models, particularly for neurons, were presented by several speakers.

An electronic circuit exhibited by Dr. M. P. Spencer of the Roman Gray School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, N. C., performed like the human circulatory system and produced a waveform on a cathode-ray oscilloscope that almost duplicated that of an electrocardio-
gram. In his design, Dr. Spencer considers the left heart as a constant-voltage source discharging into a tuned circuit resonating at $3-6$ cps. The tuned circuit represents the lumped-circuit compliance of the aortic arch, its branches, and the abdominal aorta and its branches. Inertiance of blood in the descending aorta is represented as an inductance. When an electrical impulse is fed into the circuit, voltages and currents to match pressure and flow in the arteries are derived.
A hydraulic counterpart of a reflex klystron that functioned like a human heart was demonstrated by its inventor, Group Capt. John E. Malcolm of the Royal Air Force.

The model consisted of a system of plastic tubing, fed from a reservoir of fluid about one meter high. Pulsing was accomplished by passing a section of the tube through a larger tube. The air between the two tubes
was alternately compressed and rarified imparting a wave to the fluid. The purpose of the model was to show that abnormalities of cardiac rhythm were related to modes of oscillation in fluid-filled elastic systems.
Many presentations at the conference were concerned with the construction of cell models based on electronic theories.

Dr. J. Polonsky, of the French Society of Electronics and Radio Technicians, pointed out that owing to the periodic and quasicrystalline structure of many sub-cellular components, cells might exhibit some of the properties of solid-state electronic devices, such as transistors, piezoelectric crystals, and others. He also compared neurons with coaxial-cable waveguide systems. The synapse was described as an electromagnetic radiation transfer.
W. B. Bishop of the Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratories discussed the relation-


Electronic circuit representing the action of the arterial pulse and the circulatory system was exhibited at the conference. "Aorta" (A) discharges into an LC circuit, representing lumped compliance of the arterial system. $R_{1}$ and $R_{z}$ represent peripheral resistance when a current corresponding to the cardiac-ejection oulse $|H|$ is fed into the circuit, voltages $A$ and $F$ and current $L$, which match current and pressure in the arteries, may be derived.



Portable electrocardiographs produced by Tokyo Shibura Electric Co., LId labove) and MinneapolisHoneywell Regulator Co. (right) represent the Japanese and American versions of this most widely shown instrument at the conference.
ship of the neuron loop to an informationprocessing electronic system. He explained that synchronizing pulses were probably radiated from neurons and that they helped the brain process information from the various sensory organs of the body.

An electric analogy for nerve impulse transmission was also proposed, using successively activated filaments of a distributed fuel cell. The filaments were compared to an electronic circuit consisting of a succession of blocks, each containing a switch, battery, and relay. The relay would have two sets of contacts. One set would be the switch of the next circuit, and the other would control the contacts of the previous block.
These circuits could be built up into complex networks and used to simulate the ordinary nervous activity in man according to J. Rothstein of Edgerton, Germeshausen, \& Grier, Inc., Boston.
A number of approaches to measuring the flow of blood in the human body were discussed at the conference. They included the ultrasonic flowmeter, ac and dc types, and the square-wave system.

The newest blood-flowmeter design, described by scientists from the University of Chicago, uses the oldest principle of operation: a conducting fluid moving through a magnetic field generates an emf in a probe coil. The university's flowmeter incorporates a dc amplifier between the pickup electrodes and the meter. The electrodes are made of a silver-silver chloride compound that is electrochemically stable. Therefore no emf is induced in the probes by the electrolytic effect.
Several Japanese portable electrocardiographs as well as a number of American models were shown at the exhibits. Representatives of C . S. concerns said the Japanese equipment was well designed and reportedly gave good performance but had not yet sold well here because of the unavailability of spare parts and service representatives.

Birtcher Corp.'s model 300R, for example, sells for $\$ 850$ with a two-year service guarantee. If a unit fails, a serviceman will replace it with a new electrocardiograph the same day.

Among other U. S. models at the exhibit were Sanborn Co.'s Visette, priced at $\$ 625$, and Minneapolis-Honeywell's Cardioview.

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ILOT production of thin-film, indiumantimonide Hall-voltage generators, with outputs reported significantly greater than previously available, is being established at Beckman Instruments, Fullerton, Calif.

Kermit Heid, research engineer of the company's Helipot Div. and developer of the new Hall elements, says they will generate 1 v where conventional elements would only show 100 mv under the same circuit conditions. He attributed the greater output to the thinness of the elements.

Hall voltage is an inverse function of the thickness of the material used. With the exception of bismuth, materials showing a pronounced Hall effect (the appearance of a transverse electric potential gradient in a current-carrying conductor upon the application of a magnetic field) are quite brittle Extremely thin elements have been impossible to use without costly hand-polishing. Mr. Heid said.

By evaporating thin ( 7 -micron) films on substrates, Mr. Heid obtained elements with Hall constants of $120 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$ per coulomb and mobilities in the neighborhood of $10,000 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$ per $v$-sec. Input impedance of the new Hall elements is 150 ohms typical, and output impedance 200 ohms typical. Conventional units have about 1 -ohm output impedance, Mr. Heid says, and as a consequence require more input power- 400 mw nominal.

There are, however, advantages to the higher impedances, Mr. Heid continued.
"For a given configuration," he said, "the power available from an InSb Hall generator is 280 times as great as that from a germanium element if you can match the load to the Hall impedance. This is extremely difficult to do with input and output impedances on the order of 0.5 to 1 ohm , but somewhat easier with the same impedances in the range of 100 to 20 ohms.'

In addition to the higher output voltage for the same input conditions, reports Mr. Heid, the advantages of the new elements include higher frequency operation, better


Output of this watt transducer is proportional to $V_{\text {in }} l_{\text {inad }}(\cos \varphi-\cos [2 \omega+\phi])$, where $\omega$ is $2 \pi f_{;} f$ is 60 cps and $\cos \phi$ is the power factor of the load.
heat dissipation and the feasibility of unusual configurations in production devices.

Output frequencies on the order of 100 kc are possible now, the only limitation being in the magnetic circuitry associated with the device. According to Mr. Heid, watt transducers are being designed with responses far faster than those of conventional bolometers (see schematic). If the magnetic field in a waveguide is used, instantaneous-response watt transducers could be designed for microwave systems; response of the Hall element itself is in the nsec range.

Open-circuit output sensitivity-Hall co-efficient-of the new elements is put at 0.7 $\checkmark$ per amp-kilogauss, with $\overline{5} .6$ kilogauss magnetic induction and a control current of 50 ma. This is said to compare with 0.12 v per amp-kilogauss for conventional devices. Misalignment voltage is $\overline{\mathrm{mv}}$ maximum, Mr. Heid asserted, but 1 mv can be specified. Input power is 750 mw maximum, 400 mw nominal.

According to industry sources, among the applications for such Hall generators are function multipliers (varying both input current and magnetic field), magnetic field probes, current-measuring probes, frequency doublers, magnetometers, choppers, frequency spectrum analyzers and displacement gages. Since the output can be made to depend only on how the Hall element is oriented in a magnetic field-being a function of the cross product of $I$ and $B$-an efficient ac or de resolver could be constructed.

With the introduction of the thin-film Hall generator to the production line, Beckman Helipot Dis. will join Westinghouse, Ohio Semiconductors and Siemens and Halske (Germany) as makers of Hall elements.

In addition to the elements themselves, Westinghouse and Ohio are marketing watt transducers using Hall generators, while Dyna-Empire and Radio Frequency Laboratories are selling Hall gaussmeters. Assembly Products, Inc., sells a wattmeter relay. - -


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## WESCON Field Trips To Feature Research, Automation

Latest research projects and modern production methods will be featured during numerous field trips in the San Francisco Bay area during the Western Electronics Show and Convention, Aug. 22-25. Here are some representative samples of what the field-fripper will see during plant and laboratory visits.


Numerically controlled milling equipment at Hewlett-Packard Co.'s Palo Alto plant represents some of the modern production techniques to be seen during the trips. H-P is scheduled for Field Trip 7 on Thursday afternoon, Aug. 24. The milling is being done by a Milwoukee-matic tapeprogramed machine.


Cavity-type maser operating at 35 Gc using iron-doped rutile as the paramagnetic crystal, is under development ot Melabs, Palo Alto. WESCON dele. gates will visit this microwave firm on Thursday morning, Aug. 24, Field Trip 6 on the planned schedule.


Cesium plasma fube operation is monitored on an oscilloscope, being adjusted by Dr. Matthew A. Allen, research associate in the microwave laboratory of Stanford University. This laboratory will be visited during Field Trip 4 on Wednesday afternoon, Aug 23.


Micro-mochining with an electron beam accomplished this neat slicing of silicon thin-film spots only about 1 micron thick. This work will be on view at Stanford Research Institute's Applied Physics Laboratory, Menlo Park, on Thursday afternoon, Aug. 24, during Field Trip 8. Photo is an electron mierograph.

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## Two New Sessions Added by WESCON

Panel Discussion of Arms Control, Meeting on Quantum Devices Slated

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Atechnical session on quantum devices have been added this year to the Western Electronics Show and Convention, to be held in San Francisco Aug. 22-25.

Dr. John Grainger, technical chairman of WESCON, said the session on arms would be led by Dr. L. C. Van Atta, formerly Special Assistant for Arms Control in the Dept. of Defense and now director of Hughes Aircraft Co. Research Laboratories, Malibu, Calif. The quantum meeting will feature devices and technical papers.

Outlining the program on arms analysis, Dr. Van Atta said that experts would take up the nuclear, military, technical (other than nuclear), politico-economic and psychological aspects of control efforts

Politico-economics and pyschology will be discussed last, he observed.
"We consider these the most important aspects of the problem," he explained, "so we placed them last to stick in people's minds. We want to make members of the IRE aware that arms control is much more than how far you can throw a radar beam."

Dr. William H. K. Penofsky, a Stanford University Professor of Physics, will discuss the pros and cons of efforts to agree on limiting nuclear armament. He will outline the difficulty of monitoring nuclear stockpiles and testing, as well as techniques by which the Russians could cheat during a moratorium.

Military aspects of arms control will be presented by Rear Admiral Paul L. Dudley (Ret.), formerly Special Assistant to the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Dr. Donald G. Brennan of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Lincoln Laboratories, will consider technical aspects of arms control other than nuclear. He will cover such fields as delivery and electronic detection systems.

Dr. Harold Rowen, formerly of Rand Corp. and now Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense International Security Affairs will take up
the political-economic aspect of arms control. Psychological problems will be presented by Charles E. Osgood, director of the Institute of Communications Research, University of Illinois. He is expected to urge a reciprocal program of tension reduction.
At the session on quantum devices Hughes Aircraft Co. will display its experimental Colidar-coherent Light Detecting and Ar-ranging-system (see ED, March 29, p 18). The device uses an optical maser to transmit energy to targets as far away as seven miles. The design and operation of Colidar will be presented by Malcolm L. Stitch of Hughes.

Another aspect of bulk-effect devices to be discussed is "A Solid-State Spin-Echo Memory System for a Microwave Digital Computer," a paper by L. Kent Wanlass and J. R. Singer of the University of California at Berkeley. Electron spin echo was studied both experimentally and theoretically as a digital computer memory system at microwave frequencies. The authors have investigated in considerable detail a new method for storing the phase of microwave pulses as used in phase-script information systems of the V'on Neumann type. Their work demonstrates that the storage of a single cubic centimeter crystal should exceed 10,000 bits. According to the authors, the spin-echo method is a feasible serial storage system for microwave computers. - "

## Sylvania to Close Tube Plant; Expand Solid-State Production

Planned shutdown of the receiving-tube plant of Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., in Shawnee, Okla., marks the third big cutback in tube manufacturing operations in recent weeks.

Philco Corp.'s Lansdale Div. and the Electronic Div. of CBS, Inc., previously announced plans to drop out of the receivingtube business to concentrate on solid-state device production. Raytheon Corp. has taken over the CBS line of tubes.

The Shawnee plant closing will take place over the next six months to ease the impact on the 500 workers there, according to a Sylvania spokesman. Other Sylvania plants


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# Tiros III Carries New Solid-State Timer 

All Silicon Devices in Non-Pressurized Package Replace<br>Mechanical Components in System for Weather Satellite



Checking over instruments for the Tiros III payload is RCA engineer Glenn Corrington. The newest weather satellite carries a new solid-state timer and additional infrared instruments for solar radiation measurements. A second wideangle lens vidicon camera replaces the narrow-angle one used in Tiros II.

AN all-solid-state timer on the newly orA bited Tiros III weather satellite represents a significant electronic advance, Electronic Design has learned. Radio Corp. of America engineers who designed the timer believe it and others like it will become widely used in space programs.

Tiros III is making possible studies of the formation of tropical storms over the Caribbean, Atlantic and Far East waters. Its completely solid-state timing system, using all silicon components, is probably the most significant design advance in the satellite's payload.

The timing system on earlier Tiros vehicles included mechanical sequencing and stepping switches, and germanium components.

## Mechanical Components Face

Severe Restrictions in Space
Serious problems are encountered with mechanical components in space environments, according to Walter Morgan, engineer in charge of the Tiros reliability program for RCA, Astro-Electronics Div., Princeton, N. J.

Mechanical switches must operate dry in the vacuum environment of space, since any oil on them is sucked away. Also, dust that might settle on contacts cannot be removed. These problems can lead to sticky contacts or cam wheels.

All-solid-state circuitry not only eliminates these difficulties but also gives significant savings in power dissipation.
The new system is built around an Incremag clock made by General Time Corp., Stamford, Conn., as was the previous mechanical version. The clock uses a high-precision quartz crystal oscillator (drift within 0.005 per cent over -25 to +85 C temperature range) operating at about 18 kc to provide signals for synchronism and timing of events in the satellite.
As an example of power savings achieved, the mechanical system required 2 -amp pulses of about $100-\mathrm{msec}$ duration to steppingswitch solenoids every 2 sec . The new sys-
tem substitutes $100-\mathrm{ma}$ pulses of $10-\mu \mathrm{sec}$ duration every 2 sec to provide a similar function.

Further power savings were accomplished, according to Mr. Morgan, by using pnp-npn complementary flip-flops rather than conventional types. A saving of about 40 to 1 was realized through this choice. Use of transistors rather than diodes in 2 - and 3 -input AND gates also cuts down significantly on power dissipation.
The mechanical system was hermetically sealed in a pressure vessel for previous shots. This vessel was not sealed in the Tiros III package because of the elimination of the mechanical components.

The Tiros program is switching over to the new timer design, according to Mr. Morgan, and this approach is under consideration for future programs. General Time will produce solid-state versions of the Incremag timer for the program.

## IR Sensors Carried on "Outriggers"

Measure Radiation to and From Earth
New infrared equipment carried on the Tiros III includes an omnidirectional sensor system carried on outriggers extending from opposite sides of the satellite's circular base. These will be used for measurements of the radiation directed from the sun toward the earth, and the amount re-radiated from the earth's surface and atmosphere. Tiros 111 also has a second wide-angle camera in place of the narrow-angle type used in previous weather satellites.
The new Tiros is similar in size and shape to the first two-drum-like. Most instrumentation carried differs in very few details from the first two successful satellites.
Meanwhile Midas III, a missile-detecting satellite also hurled into orbit recently, is reported to have a more sophisticated infrared sensing system than those used in previous tests. Midas III is an experimental vehicle designed to provide recognition of hostile missiles rising above the earth's atmosphere through detection of their hot exhausts ( $E D$. March 16, 1960, p 4). Technical details of the new satellite's sensing package, designed by Baird-Atomic, Inc., of Cambridge, Mass., are under tight security. "


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## Ranger I Space Vehicle Designed For Data Rather Than Moon Impact

Design of the first Ranger spacecraft is directed at providing data useful in future lunar and planetary impacts rather than actual moon landing.

This vehicle, which contains some 19.520 electronic parts, is the most complicated yet attempted by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Some of the systems vital to moon and planetary landings include: - an attitude stabilization system based on celestial references-the earth and sun.

- a high gain directional antenna which can be automatically directed in the right direction for transmission.
- 8 scientific experiments.
- two solar cell arrays ( 8,680 cells) which will provide from 155 - to 210 -w power.
- a solid-state timing system which takes 400 -cycle power from the spacecraft power source and converts it to pulses at a rate of one per second for timing vehicle functions.

Calibration of the solar cell system is one of the primary objectives of the Ranger shot. Four specially calibrated cells on Ranger 1 will provide needed data on attenuation of solar energy by the earth's atmosphere.
Experiments carried by the first vehicle in the Ranger series will provide measurements of interplanetary plasma clouds, cosmic rays and charged particles of slightly lower energy, magnetic fields, solar X-rays, cosmic dust, and hydrogen glow outside of the atmosphere.

The large number of experiments and systems require a vehicle weighing 67\%) lbswith electronics accounting for 243 lbs .

## 10-60\% Savings Reported With Wire Board Holders

Printed-circuit board holders made from wire weldments have proved 10 to 60 per cent less expensive for ground-based military and commercial equipment, according to a wire goods manufacturer who has been developing this new type of holder jointly with a number of electronics firms.

The resistance-welded wire holders are also said to be lighter in weight than conven-
tional holding assemblies made from castings of sheet metal. And because of their open, skeleton-like construction, they permit easier circulation of convection cooling currents, the manufacturer reports.

The welded-wire holders were developed and evaluated by E. H. Titchener \& Co. of Binghamton, N.Y., in conjunction with the General Electric Co.'s Heavy Military Electronics Dept., Syracuse, N.Y., for missile ground-support equipment. More recently other companies, such as Radio Corp. of America, Westinghouse, Sylvania, Martin, Philco and Bendix are reported to have either started to use or evaluate the welded-wire holders for racks and module nests.

The rack mounting assemblies consist of mounting frames, guide wires to receive tops and bottoms of circuit boards and provisions for mounting connectors. In applications where severe shock loads are expected, steel springs would be used between the guide wires. The edges of the boards would force these springs back as the boards were pushed into place and the resulting bearing friction would hold the boards securely.

## Telemetry Saves Valuable Data

 Despite Sinking of Space CapsuleTelemetry prevented the loss of vital data on both capsule performance and physical reactions of Astronaut Virgil Grissom despite the sinking of the Liberty Bell 7 vehicle July 21.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration spokesmen told Electronic Design that the only important loss of data was the film of space pilot Grissom taken during the 16 minute flight. The loss of the $\$ 2$ million capsule was regrettable, they commented, because there were plans to reuse it for later tests.

The data provided by telemetry and Capt. Grissom's descriptions may permit fairly sound evaluations of possible malfunction of the capsule manual control system during the flight. Capt. Grissom said that the response of the vehicle to his control maneuvers was not good-particularly in the roll rate system. He told newsmen at Cape Canaveral that he felt that some control valve might have been sticking open and causing difficulty

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## Speech Recognized by Waveform-Matching System

## Completely Analog Circuitry and Stored Memory Is Used In 10-Word, Developmental Signal-Comparison Equipment



Analog speech-recognition system, said to be suitable for recognition of sonar, radar and other types of signals, has been tested successfully at Bulova Research and Development Laboratories. One of ten words spoken into microphone is taped, normalized with aid of scope, and its envelope compared with that of reference words stored on tape. When correlation is sufficient, a match is signalled.


Proposed design of speech recognizer for an industrial control application, like post-office mail sorting, includes optical storage system. Newly developed fasi-erase circuitry may permit the use of two rather than

Alan Cornereffo
News Editor

Adevelopmental signal recognizer that uses only analog techniques has automatically matched words spoken into it with the same words stored in its memory. Though equipment to recognize only 10 words has been built so far, the system is said to be readily expandable for use with hundreds of words and to be suitable for signals of any type.
The system is called Auditran, for Audio Information Transducer, and is under development at Bulova Research and Development Laboratories, Queens, N. Y. A Model I has been breadboarded with a tape memory, and detailed design is proceeding on a larger version that will have an optical memory, according to R. J. Bibbero, chief electronics engineer of Bulova. The company has applied for a patent on the Auditran concept, which is said to be based on an invention of Mr. Bibbero.

In operation, the equipment compares the waveform of an input word with a series of stored reference waveforms and selects the best match between input and storage. Best match is determined by the least value of a particular correlation function. In Auditran, this function is implemented with only analog circuitry, which is said to permit faster and less expensive processing than digital techniques. The system does not process raw waveforms; it uses internally generated envelopes based on amplitude or other characteristics to reduce bandwidth.

Input words are stored on a variable-speed tape assembly in the breadboard version of the system. By varying the tape speed, a operator is able to normalize the duration of each input word. The waveform is also normalized for amplitude with the aid of an oscilloscope. Although normalizing is now done manually, later systems will do it automatically, Bulova says. The normalized waveform is recorded on a continuous loop for further processing. The same technique is used to store reference waveforms.


Model I Auditran has tape memory and Iransistorized light-array output display. Equipment is being used to lest envelope detectors and other circuitry and to compile statistical data on performance of the system.

The present 10 -word memory is contained in a system of long loops of up to 300 in . moving at 15 in . per sec.

The input waveform, after being normalized, is rectified and traced in outline as preparation for envelope detection. Both the input and the reference waveforms pass through matched envelope detectors into a difference amplifier, so that the unknown waveform can be subtracted from each of the reference signals in turn. This is done in a continuous-loop operation.

## Relative Phase of Waveforms Varied

As Signal Is Matched to Each Reference
At each repetition, the relative phase of the two compared waveforms is varied to achieve a match similar to cross-correlation. At present this is done by adjusting the relative lengths of two tapes. In carlier versions of the equipment, phase was varied by rotating a three-phase synchro, which advanced or retarded the phase of the drivemotor power supply of the tape lonp equipment and in turn advanced or retarded the tape containing the unknown waveform.

A differential amplifier subtracts the values of the unknown and reference envelopes. An integrator combines signals after they are separated into positive- and negativegoing signals. Two integrator channels are used because of the difficulty of balancing out dc to the integrator from a single-ended rectifier, Bulova says.

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determines which reference waveform is the best match for the input waveform. This is done in a black box in which tones associated with each memory signal are gated through until best match is indicated. Then, a tone-sensitive reed relay activates an indicator light.

The Model I Auditran is being used to test various types of envelope detection. Bulova engineers have designed several different methods, including one based on generation of a frequency-formed envelope.

According to Bulova, initial tests indicate the system will have at least 99.96 -percent reliability in identifying the right word when such place names as New York, Newark, Poughkeepsie and others are used. This reliability is not critically dependent on whether a male or female speaker is used, the company says.

The prototype Auditran under design is expected to be able to recognize one word a second from a memory of at least 300 words at less than 2 -mc system bandwidth. This would almost be real-time recognition, with one word being spoken as the previous word is being recognized.

Analog Method Faster, Requires Less Equipment Than Digital

Advantages cited for analog waveform recognition over digital methods include higher speed, compatibility with much existing equipment, less data to process, relatively small memory requirements, and lower equipment costs. The disadvantages are said to be the greater difficulty of coding speech by analog means and the greater bandwidth required. However, Bulova engineers say, although internal process is broadband, system output may be made as narrow as desired.

The existing Auditran engineering model is based on recognition of whole words. Bulova says this method appears best for memories of up to about 1,000 words. For larger memories the company expects that phonetic elements might prove a better key to recognition and that digital logic would have to be used. The system is said to be suitable for formant-tracking-type recognition, in which the characteristic waveforms of resonance points in speech are used as a basis for recognition. For very large capacities, the company reports, more than one Auditran can be paralleled. - -

## MADT Transistor Encapsulation Increases Dissipation of Heat

A new encapsulating technique for potting the elements of Micro Alloy Diffused Technique (MADT) transistors is said to increase their heat-dissipating capabilities to double the normal rate while still maintaining normal electrical stability.
The encapsulating compound used is an alumina-loaded polysiloxane fluid. This medium increases thermal conductivity between the transistor's junction and case while maintaining electrical isolation.

The technique was developed by Dr. H. Thornton for Philco, Inc., Philadelphia. The use of alumina particles of varying sizes is said to have improved heat transfer.

Dr. Thornton said that encapsulated transistors would have a service range of $\mathbf{- 1 0 0}$ to $+400 \mathrm{~F} . \mathrm{He}$ also reported that the exact heat-dissipation and electrical stability characteristics had not yet been fixed.

The encapsulating technique is being used in a new line of MADT transistors for military applications by Philco, a company representative said.

Tiny Detector Records Neutrons


Miniaturized fast-neutron dosimeter, held by researcher, consists of a 0.1 by 0.03 -in. silicon disk mounted between two electrical contact pins. Called Radiac Detector by its developers, Battelle Memorial Institute of Columbus, Ohio, the device records fast-neutron dosage cumulatively. The fast neutrons passing through the dosimeter knock silicon atoms from their normal posifions, permanently changing the electrical properties of the silicon. The detector is reported insensitive to all other forms of radiation. Damage to human tissue can be measured quickly and easily, Battelle reports.

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## Crystal tungsten opens up a new era for the metal in electronics



Typical electronic shapes fabricated from crystal tungsten (1. to r.): target emitter: zero-porosity tunguen anode for high-powered electron tubes with fluid cooling:
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A new method of consolidating tungsten pouder into tunguten ingot has been created by LINDE's Crystal Products Department. This new material-in crystal form-changes the whole approach to use of tungsten in electronic applications.
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## Useful in vacuum devices

The high purity and zero porosity of the crystal tungsten also suggest its ure not only in electrical contact points, but also in vacuum switches. electrical leadins in vacuum tubes. and applications where outgassing or leakage is a prohlem. Their purity and lack of grain boundaries provide more even electron emission. making them valuable in several high pressure vacuum or open air switches. Other uses include: flexible sheet in electronic tubes; x -ray and anticathode targets.

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Significant is the fact that it can be easily worked and at temperatures $800^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. lower than working temperature for powder metallurgy or vacuum-arc cast tungsten-making it useful for a wide range of non-electronic applications. Present shapes include swaged rods from $1 / 0$ to $3 / 8$-inch diameter. as grown ingots up to $\frac{1 / 2}{}$-inch diameter in production. and even larger diameters in development.
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## WASHINGTON / REPORT

John J. Christie
Washington Editor

The Air Force is in the final stage of a major reorganization program that has a two-fold objective of streamlining management of systems projects and of upgrading the status of basic research. A reshuffling of field commands that began in April has been followed by a realignment of staff functions at the Pentagon.

Reorganization on the systems level is in recognition of the ever closer link between development and production. It began with the recent establishment of the Air Forces Systems Command, which combined the R\&D responsibilities of the former Air Research Development Command and the production and procurement functions of the Air Materiel Command. The Pentagon has now combined the staff responsibilities for development, procurement, and logistic support of aircraft, missile, space and electronic systems under a newly designated Deputy Chief of Staff for Systems and Logistics.

The new set-up should enable defense contractors to get faster decisions on design and production problems that cannot be solved at the project level. It should also speed the Pentagon's review and approval of high priority programs.

By merging of development and production responsibilities in the supervision of individual projects, the Air Force hopes for more decisive action on such matters as weighing the feasibility of production changes against operational requirements, determining tradeoffs as between reliability and costs, etc.
Basic Research Functions at Air Force field installations were placed under the new Office of Aerospace Research at the time the new Systems Command absorbed the R\&D activities of the former Air Research Development Command. New Pentagon staff functions relating to basic research, study projects and applied research in new areas of technology have been combined under a Deputy Chief of Staff for Research and Technology.

This move should allay criticism that basic and applied research has been too much oriented to the requirements of specific weapons systems development programs. It is believed that under separate planning and direction the investigation of advanced technology will get higher priority and thus greater financial support.

SPACE COMMUNICATIONS BELT NEARS TEST
The military has high hopes for the distributed reflectur version of a passive satellite communications system, which is scheduled to be tested this fall. Known as Project Westford, the test will involve orbiting a belt of tiny dipole reflectors, which will form a constant ring around the earth at an altitude of 2,000 miles.

Forming the reflector belt will be 500 million dipoles of 3 - 4 -in. length and about $1 / 3$ the thickness of a human hair. The 70 lb of dipoles will be ejected from a container, which is expected to be put in orbit by a Midas shot. Studies forecast the width of the belt at
20) to 40 miles, with spacing between the dipoles at from 500 to $1,000 \mathrm{ft}$.

Lifetime of the initial belt will be purposely limited to avoid space pollution, if the experiment does not pan out. At the projected $2,000-$ mile altitude, it is calculated that the combination of radiation pressure and gravitational effects will limit the life of the belt to from one to two years. At an altitude of only 200 miles less, the ring of reflectors would last an estimated two to three decades.

It is envisioned that this type of system would play a secondary role in military satellite communications because of economic limitations. Ground stations will require very large antennas and large amounts of power to pull signals from the extremely small reflecting surfaces. Moreover, unless developments prove otherwise, bandwidth capacity is unlikely to approach that of active systems.

The distributed reflector system, however, could give the military a foolproof backstop or auxiliary for the synchronous equatorial system being developed under the Army's Advent program. For obviously the dipole belt poses no reliability problems. And even more important from a military standpoint, it cannot be destroyed by enemy action.

## STORM MONITORING STATIONS IN PRODUCTION

Seven unmanned, floating weather stations of the NOMAD type, which last year provided a 48 -hr alert on Hurricane Ethel from a mosoring in the Gulf of Mexico, will go into production for Navy use in storm areas of the Atlantic and Pacific. The Air Force and Weather Bureau also plan storm-monitoring station networks.

Meanwhile NOMAD I, which has been conducting experiments for the last seven years, has been placed 300 miles out in the Gulf for another hurricane season. Each year some refinements have been made in sensing devcies and data-transmission equipment developed by the Bureau of Standards. But it is acknowledged that considerably more development work is required to guarantee reliability for the desired two years or more of unattended operation. Also, certain mechanical devices now used are not suited for operations in Arctic waters.

An experimental compass-bearing transducer will be the principal new device to be tested during NOMAD l's current tour of duty. Since last year circuitry has also been transistorized to a greater extent.

Solar batteries, which last year were deck-mounted in plastic boxes, suffered heary power loss through overheating. This year they are being floated in plastic tubing in an effort to cut down heat. Further efforts to improve power supply include development by General Instrument Corp. of a thermoelectric generator that will be fired by liquid butane ( $E D$, Dec. 21, p 16) and work on a nuclear battery at the Martin Co.

## ANOTHER ADVANCE IN PARTS RELIABILITY'

An industry-Government advisory committee will be named shortly to help implement DOD's parts reliability program, already beginning to have sharp impact on the component industry's design, production and testing functions.

The committee will provide continuing technical advice on the development of new quantitative reliability specifications and technical documentation. It will also advise on the establishment of priorities in the issuance of parts specs.

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## Adapted Typewriter Digitizes Negatives

Pattern Converter Provides Maps Of Isodose Areas From X-Ray Photos

WITH suitable electronics, biomedical researchers have been able to convert specialized X-ray negatives to maps that show areas of equal dosage. The analog-to-digital conversion is done automatically by an ordinary electric typewriter modified for the work at a rate of 10 readings or nearly $1 / 4$-sq. in. per sec.

The automatic conversion system was developed at the Rosewell Park Memorial Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., to aid studies of optimum procedures in using super-high-voltage medical X-ray equipment. Exposed negatives showing gradations in transparency caused by different degrees of exposure are converted to typed maps. The areas and contours of the maps are formed by numbers corresponding to discrete levels of dosage at corresponding points on the original negative being processed.

## System Described at Rochester Meeting

On Uses of Data in Medicine, Biology
The system was described at the Rochester Conference on Data Acquisition and Processing in Biology and Medicine, held at the University of Rochester, N. Y., on July 18 and 19.

Dr. Edwin Gordy of the Rosewell Park Memorial Institute reported that the mapping system provides a 1 -to- 1 scale, 10 -level representation of a 14 -by- 17 in . exposed negative in about an hour. This was said to be a much faster performance than that of other types of converter-plotters. A total of 168 readings per sq in., in per cent of maximum dose, are printed by the equipment, he said.

The system consists of an electric typewriter adapted to hold a sheet of paper over an X-ray negative so that a light behind the paper is focused through the film and paper to a photocell pickup that feeds a discriminator. This stage is connected to suitable amplifier, analog-to-digital, and print-rate-generation circuitry that operates


Typewriter and associated electronics are able to provide typed-map versions of X-ray photos to show areas of equal dose or exposure. The system, essentially an analog-to-digital pattern converter, aids studies of optimum X-ray procedures in medical research. Print-rate generation is initiated by carriage return and is inhibited by completion of each scan. Discriminator is linear over four decades. The equipment was developed at Rosewell Park Memorial Institute, Buffalo, N. Y.
the basic print solenoids of the electric typewriter.

As the carriage moves and the film is scanned, appropriate numbers are typed at points on the paper corresponding to variations in the transparency of the film under each number.

## Distributed-State-Response

Paftern Recognizers Described
Several other developments in pattern recognition and processing were discussed at the meeting. This speciality was said to be growing increasingly important to medicine as researchers seek to automate the processing of medical data.

A sophisticated pattern recognizer said to be theoretically capable of learning was described by D. F. Parkhill, General Dynamics Electronics, Rochester. Called a distrib-uted-state response (DSR) system, and actually a special-purpose digital computer, the pattern recognizer has operated successfully in computer simulations and is now being built.

## System Uses Neural Nets

## Like Parceptron Machine

Like the perceptron developed at Cornell Aeronautical Laboratories, Buffalo, N. Y., the DSR design is a neural-net system. It has 1,024 sensory elements, 256 association elements and 32 response elements.
A related type of pattern recognizer is being built at Brooks Research, Inc., East Rochester, N. Y., according to Kurt Enslein, who described its development. This also will be a system in which memory will be distributed throughout the internal components. In most data-processing systems bits of memory data are stored in discrete locations in memory subsystems. - -


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## 4,000-W Solar Power System Planned for Orbiting Satellites

A 4,000-w solar power system is being designed for earth-orbiting satellites.

The system is intended to operate for a minimum of one year and a maximum of five. It would differ from previous systems in its extremely high-power capacity.

The design work is under way at Westinghouse Aerospace Electrical Laboratories, Lima, Ohio, for the Aeronautical Systems Div., Air Force Systems Command.

## Navy Orders Research Ship For Antisubmarine Warfare

The Navy is spending more than $\$ 10$ million to find new, better approaches to building and equipping antisubmarine escort ships.

An experimental vessel, to be used as a floating research center, is under development. It will be fitted with the latest longrange sonar, and its armament will include Tartar and ASROC antisubmarine missiles, antisubmarine torpedoes and helicopters. The ship is to have an over-all length of about 415 ft and a beam of about 43 ft .
The ship will be built by the Bath Iron Works Corp., Bath, Me., under a $\$ 10,227,300$ contract.


## Solid-Stately

Engineer Crowned
A triumph of design is Marlene Schmidt, electronic engineer (no kidding) from Stultgart, Germany, crowned Miss Universe for 1961. Fraulein Schmidi's design dimensions are 36.5 -$24.0-36.0$ in. $\pm 1$ per cent. Resistance is not specified. The 24 -year-old beauty, who fled from East to West Germany only a year ago, told reporters: "Engineering is my career, and I will return to my job lin West Germany at an equivalen of $\$ 53$ a week] after my year as Miss Universe.


## Factors to consider in silicon diode selection

by DAVID E. HUMEZ

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If your circuit does not require the superior forward conductivity characteristics of germanium diodes or if you require extremely low reverse currents or must operate at temperatures above $50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, you will probably select a silicon diode.

Of the bewildering array of silicon diode types available some will almost certainly suit your circuit better than others. Current silicon diode types fall into four main categories with many sub-categories. The first category historically was the general purpose alloy junction silicon diode. These diodes are principally useful in those applications in which good high voltage characteristics, very low leakage currents, even at high temperatures, are necessary. They are available with comparatively high forward conduction and over a wide range of voltages up to several hundred volts.

The next category is that of computing application silicon diodes. These differ from the general purpose diodes in that the material from which they are made is doped or otherwise treated in such a way as to reduce its bulk lifetime. Reduction of the lifetime of the material makes possible much faster operation, that is, faster recovery when switched from the forward to the reverse condition. Such diodes have found wide application in military and commercial computing circuitry which is expected to operate at high temperatures. A price is paid, however, for higher speed since reducing the lifetime of the material results also in an increase of the reverse current and a decrease in the forward conduction.



The third and fourth groups are the most recent and employ a different method, namely, solid state diffusion for producing the PN junction. The third group, sometimes called rectifiers, are devices fabricated in either the same subminiature glass package familiar in other diode types or this glass package modified by the inclusion of a larger diameter stud at one electrode for improved heat conduction. They are large area devices compared to the diodes in categories one and two and are designed for conduction of as much as 400 milliamperes at a volt. Since their area is substantially larger, their capacitance is also larger though not as large as would be expected by the ratio of areas, since the method of producing the junction results in less capacitance per unit area than is characteristic of alloyed junctions.

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| Unit | Time $m \mu$ sec. | Types |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 1N914 | 2.5 | silicon mesa diode. |
| 1N625 | 60. | high speed silicon alloy diode. |
| 1N459 | 1500. | general purpose silicon diode. |
| 1N647 | 8000. | silicon diffused rectifier. |

The fourth and newest category is that of extremely small area devices made by the newer techniques of the mesa or planar constructions. These types are also manufactured by it diffusion process. They are designed primarily for applications in which the very fastest switching speeds are required. For this additional speed, compared to conventional computing alloyed junction types, a further price must also be paid. Because they are tiny, they are also less rugged. Because their area is smaller, both the resistance of the connecting wires and the spreading resistance are larger. Consequently, these devices as a group are characterized by somewhat poorer forward conduction than is true of the larger area computing diodes.

Ask for Silicon Diode Bulletins

## Selective Data Retrieval System Uses Keywords, Prints Abstracts

An information directing system that uses keywords to file and locate specific topics has been developed for use by the Central Intelligence Agency.
Coordinated indexing, the method used in the information handling system, catalogs the keywords that identify each document on file in the memory. The keywords, along with the location of the documents, are inserted into a punched card program. When a request is put in to the computer, it will print out an index of all documents in its memory concerning that topic, along with an abstract of each reference.

The actual information is stored as photographic images in a plastic file. Once located, the information can be viewed or reproduced without having to remove it from the file Each file is made up of several modules, each containing 990,000 images.

Called Walnut, the system was built by International Business Machines Corp. White Plains, N. Y. A company representative reported that although the system is strictly for governmental use, it may become the forerunner of a commercially marketable unit.


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# Thin-Film Cylinder Memory Gives Fast, High Output 

New Device, Combining Features of Dot, Core and Rod, Provides 15-Nsec Cycle, 250-Mv Readout and High Temperature Stability



A single thin-wall cylinder memory with wiring. The film is 2 to 3 mm long, 0.5 to 0.7 mm diam and about 30,000 Angstroms thick. Conventional, thin-film dots are normally no more than 4,000 Angstroms thick and 3 mm diam. Photo, through the eye of a microscope, shows tiny bubbles in encapsulent.

## George Rostky <br> Technical Editor

A MAGNETIC thin-film cylinder that contains features of the thin-film dot, the ferrite core and the magnetic rod is bidding for an important role in future computer memories. Under development by CBS Laboratories of Stamford. Conn., the device, called the Toristor, is composed of a plating of nickel-iron-cobalt composition on a substrate of glass or stainless steel.

Like the conventional, toroidal, ferrite core, the Toristor has wires passing through its center. Its output voltage range, 50 to 250 mv , includes the $40-\mathrm{to}-120-\mathrm{mv}$ range of cores. But its write-read cycle time, as short as 15 nsec , is substantially faster than the 3 to $5 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ of cores.

## Very Rapid Cycle Times Combine

 With a High Output VoltageThe Toristor's cycle time compares favorably with the very rapid 200 to 500 nsec of thin-film dots. And the rapidity of switching its magnetic domains, 10 to 15 nsec , compares well with the 5 to 40 nsec of dots. But its $50-$ to $-250-\mathrm{mv}$ output voltage range is a lot huskier than the 2 to 20 mv common with dots.

Comparison Of Memory Properties

| Line-Up | Toristor | Thin-Film Dot | Core | Rod |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Output Voltage Range | $50-250 \mathrm{mv}$ | 2.20 mv | 40.120 mv | 30.50 mv |
| Digit-Write Current | 700 ma | $0.5-2.5 \mathrm{amp}$ | $150-500 \mathrm{ma}$ | 0.5 amp |
| Digit-Read Current | 300 ma | 300 ma | 300 ma | 300 ma |
| Magnetization SwitchinR <br> Speed | 10.15 nsec | 5.40 nsec | 700 nsec | 15.20 nsec |
| Write-Read Cycle Time | 15 nsec | $200-500 \mathrm{nsec}$ | $3.5 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ | 500 nsec |

Like the magnetic rod, the Toristor takes a circumferential winding to provide a transverse interrogation field. But the Toristor also takes axial wires through its center for sense and digit write. The $300-\mathrm{ma}$ digitread current is the same as that required for other computer memories.
The principal advantage of the new development lies in its true nondestructive readout. Other nondestructive elements, like the multiaperture devices, require priming before each read operation. The Toristor requires only the interrogation pulse, which can be unipolar. To save time, information in the Toristor can be changed during the interrogation interval.
Output from the Toristor is bipolar; a "one" is in the opposite direction from a "zero." With cores, the output for a "one" is represented by magnetization in the same direction as a "zero"-but of significantly different amplitude.


High output voltage of this 64 -bit, thin-wall cylinder memory-the Toristor-reduces the complexity of the sense amplifiers, which are similar to those found in conventional, word-organized core memories. CBS Laboratories is working on even simpler circuitry using tunnel diodes as sense amplifiers.


The Toristor with its normal wiring. The plastic tube here serves as encapsulation for the device.

The principal difference between the Toristor and other devices is that its magnetic domains are rotated through angles less than 90 deg-that is, through their hard directions. This makes for far less sensitivity to variations in temperature and in the composition of the magnetic material. The designer of the Toristor, George Henderson, manager of the CBS Memories and Subsystems Dept., says that it has much better temperature stability than other memory devices and substantially less internal heating. It can be operated at up to 150 C .

In a developmental model of a 64-bit Toristor memory, eight hollow-glass cylinders each support eight individual Toristors. The transverse-field interrogation coils-eight sets of themare prepared by a weaving technique. The coils are woven so they look like a Lissajous pattern of a frequency comparison of 8 to 1 .

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## NEWS

## Balloon Will Hoist Copper Wire In LF Propagation Experiments

A balloon will hoist a copper-clad wire $20,000 \mathrm{ft}$ into the atmosphere as part of an experiment in low-frequency propagation studies.

The experiment will be conducted for the Air Force by Pickard \& Burns Inc., Needham, Mass., from an ocean-going schooner off the coast of Fort Pierce, Fla. A 1-million-v generator in the ship will be used to charge the wire with low-frequency pulses similar to lightning.

The wire, which acts as an efficient lowfrequency antenna, has recently been carried aloft with a helicopter to an altitude of 12,000 ft , with a $200-\mathrm{ft}$ polyethylene leader insulating the top of the antenna.

The 90 -ft long balloon, called Aerocap, built and flown by General Mills, Inc., Minneapolis, Minn., will be sent up to supplement the helicopter operation. The balloon can lift the wire through cloud banks that have proven hazardous to helicopters.

## Superconductive Transformer Operates at 15-Kw Power

An experimental superconductive power transformer using windings made of lead has been successfully operated at 15 kw .

The transformer is much lighter than comparable conventional types and would probably be much less costly according to its developer, Dr. Richard McFee, associate professor in electrical engineering at Syracuse University and consultant to Arthur D. Little, Inc., Cambridge, Mass.

Before the superconductive power transformer could become feasible for widespread use, however, cryogenic refrigerating devices of sufficient reliability must be developed, Dr. McFee reported. He indicated that work on the Gifford-McMahon helium refrigerator showed promise of solving this problem. One of these units was operated at Arthur D. Little for $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 0}$ hours before failure.

The idea of a superconductive transformer is not new. It was not thought to be feasible, however, because of the superconductivity quenching effect of magnetic fields generated by alternating current in a transformer's windings.

Dr. McFee overcame this difficulty by in-
terleaving primary and secondary windings, so that the magnetic fields that were generated canceled each other.
The experimental transformer carried an alternating current of somewhat under 10 amps with a voltage near 2,000. Varnish paper was used for insulation between the primary and secondary layers.
The transformer consisted of about 2 miles of lead wire wound on a core of 2-by-2-in. cross-section. With about 0.5 amps dc and 10 amps ac through the experimental device, a dc galvanometer measured less than $0.5 \mu \mathrm{v}$ across it when it was operated in a superconductive state.

A special magnetizing winding was used for the outer layer of the transformer to balance voltages in all coils, so that they could be paralleled without generating circulating currents.

Newer superconductive materials, developed by Bell Telephone Laboratories, that maintain superconductivity with much higher magnetic fields than previously attainable also show promise for use in superconductive transformers. Studies of possible hysteresis losses in these materials with alternating currents are necessary to confirm the feasibility of their use, according to Dr. McFee.

Argo D-4 Carried 48-Lb Payload


A $48-\mathrm{lb}, 15$-in.-diam payload (above) rode in the recently launched and recovered Argo D. 4 sounding rocket. Included was a $28-\mathrm{v}$ nickel cadmium ballery, a two-frequency transmitter-receiver, a two-channel $\mathrm{fm} / \mathrm{fm}$ telemetering subsystem, programing, and control equipment. Airborne Instruments Laboratory of Deer Park, L. I., N. Y., developed the equipment. Launching of the rocket was a major step forward in the international project to measure electron density above the F2 layer. (ED, Mar. 16, 1960).

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## Stereo Adapters Based on 2 Designs

## Sum and Difference, Time-Multiplex Approaches <br> Both Pursued in Receiving Systems

THE stereo-multiplex fm broadcasting system recently approved by the Federal Communications Commission makes possible two design approaches for receiving equipment. Both approaches have been used in equipment now, or soon to be, on the market.

One approach, the sum-and-difference method, treats the signal as a mixed waveform with the sum (left plus right.) of both channels received as conventional fm . The difference (left minus right) is detected as two am sidebands of a $38-\mathrm{kc}$ subcarrier.

The second approach, time-multiplex, uses a switching device in the receiver to sample the carrier at a 38 kc rate, corresponding to the subcarrier frequency. Alternate samples are
fed to the left and right portions of the receiving system, thereby reconstructing the original left and right channels.

Most stereo adapters on the market at present use the sum-and-difference method of decoding the signal. This is done by a number of low-pass filters in a separating network. A few use the time-multiplex method, where decoding is accomplished by the use of a switching system controlled by an oscillator.

Stereo systems designer, D. R. Von Recklinghausen of the H. H. Scott Corp., Maynard, Mass., says there is no difference in bandwidth, linearity or gain in the two systems; they are merely a matter of the designer's prerogative. - ■

The type 335 multiplex adapter of H. H. Scolt is more inclusive than most other makes. If incorporates a number of switching circuits in its design, permitting it to act as a control center for the multiplex system. The five-tube unit, which uses the time-multiplex method of decoding, also incorporates a stereo noise filter, soid to remove noise from both channels while maintaining full separation. The 335 can be used only with existing Scott tuners. It measures 7 by $5-1 / 4$ by 13 in . Priced at about $\$ 100$, it is now available.



Bogen's model PX-60, also self-powered, uses the same circuitry as the company's commercial multiplex receivers. Said to have a bandwidth of $23-53 \mathrm{kc}$ and using the sum-and-difference decoding system, it is designed to operate with Bogen funers. However, the company reports that after slight modifications the receiver can be used with many existing funers. Measuring 4-1/16 by $3-1 / 4$ by $8-1 / 16 \mathrm{in}$. and weighing less than 3 lb , the PX- 60 is the smallest of the adapters reviewed. A company spokesman says the unit will sell for $\$ 69.50$.

Adapter MX-101 built by Crosby Electronics, also uses the sum-and-difference method of detection. Its four-tube circuit includes separate noise filters for each channel, a diode-controlled automatic dimension circuit, and cathode follower output. Frequency response is said to be at least $15,000 \mathrm{cps}$ while maintaining $20-\mathrm{db}$ separation between channels. The adapter measures 5-1/4 by $4.1 / 2$ by 9 in . The adapter is now on the market, selling for about $\$ 80$.


The Fisher MPX-100 is a sum-and-difference type self-powered stereo multiplex adapter that can be used with all fm receivers and tuners having ratio detector design and MP output. Incorporated in the five-fube adapter is a Stereo Beacon, which indicates whether the program being transmitted is monaural or stereo. Included is a stereo balance control and cathode follower output. The MPX100 measures $4-7 / 8$ by $4-7 / 8$ by $12-\mathrm{in}$. On the market now, it is priced at $\$ 89.50$.

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## NEWS

## New Cathode Reported

## To Heat in 100 Msec

A recently developed fast-heating cathode, called the Harp, is now being incorporated in a new line of rf power-output tubes.

The cathode, which consists of a rectangular frame, with fine wires strung across the length like the strings of a harp, is said to be capable of delivering full power in 100 msec . The use of extremely fine wires in the emitting element is said to make possible a very high surface-to-volume ratio, resulting in fast warm-up and thermal equilibrium. The cathode is applicable in transistor and mobile equipment.
Because of the many fine wires, which are electrically in parallel, the cathode has low inductance and therefore less hum. A low voltage, on the order of 1.6 v , is said to be sufficient for operation because of the multiple current paths. This makes it possible for tubes employing the new cathode to be powered by the same power supply that serves transistor stages.

The cathode, developed by the Amperex Corp. of Hicksville, N.Y., has been incorporated into the Type 8042 tube, a fast-warmup version of the company's 6146 with the same electrical characteristics and price. In the near future a line of Harp cathode twin tetrodes will be produced and marketed, the company reports.

## Epitaxial Growth Research

For Circuit Functions Slated
Investigation of epitaxial growth techniques as a means of obtaining single-crystal circuit functions will be carried out by Motorola Semiconductor Products Div., Phoenix. Ariz., under a new program.

Thin-film functions will also be studied as part of the search which is being conducterd for compatible circuit techniques for integrated circuit functions.

Also to be investigated are various modes of junction formation, construction of multiple $p$ and $n$ layers with controllable lifetime and impurity concentrations, and compatible masking techniques.

The studies will be conducted under an Air Force systems contract, which was recently awarded.
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## Additions to the Transistor Data Chart

Specifications for several groups of npn silicon pouer transistors, manufactured by Fanon Transistor Corp., Vewark, N. J., were receiced too late for mublication in our July 5 transistor Data issue. Please add FN (Fanon) to the "Remarks" column as alternate source for the following types listed on page 52 of the Transistor Data Chart:

| 2N:389 | 2N1210 | 2N1490 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2N 124 | 2N1211 | 2N1616 |
| 2N1069 | 2N148 | 2N1617 |
| 2N1070 | 2N1488 | 2N1618 |
|  | 2N1489 |  |

Also add $F N$ to the $2 N 424 \mathrm{~A}$ and 2N1620 listed on page 58.
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VIBRATION - 50 G, 10 to 3,000 CPS
SHOCK, Electrical - 100 G minimum
TYPE - CVE with patented rotary armature

WRITE FOR DATA SHEET 7

## COUCH ORDNANCE, INC.

## NEWS

## Atomic Weather Station to Aid U.S.

## Automatic Unit That Uses 60 Linked Thermocouples To Convert Energy to Be Set Up in Isolated Far North



Power supply of automatic weather station consists of 60 lead-telluride thermocouples arranged like spokes around cylindrical strontium titanate heat source. Radiation is blocked by 4.4-in.-thick lead shield.

ANUCLEAR-POWERED automatic weather station, using thermocouples for power conversion, will be set up soon in a remote area of northern Canada.
The station was designed and built for the Office of Isotopes Development of the Atomic Energy Commission by the Martin Co., Baltimore. Recent tests of the equipment by the Weather Bureau included transmissions from Baltimore to Washington.
The unmanned weather station derives its power from about 1 lb of strontium titanate pellets, which generate heat spontaneously by radioactive decay. The heat is transformed directly into a continuous flow of electricity by a series of thermocouples. The electrical energy is stored in rechargeable batteries, which operate two transmitters.

The nuclear power source will be used to drive the transmitters with an output of 250 w on each of two frequencies. The effective range will be 250 to 1,500 miles. (One transmitter will operate at about 3.4 mc and the other at about 5 mc . Both are crystal-


Thermocouples in the station transform heat directly into a continuous flow of electricity


A core of strontium titanate pellets generates heat for thermoelectric conversion to $5 w$ at $4 v$ in the unattended weather station. The power charges batteries that drive 250 -w transmitters.
controlled and completely transistorized, except for dual-output tubes. The two antennas used are $1: 00$ and 90 ft tall.

The transmitters will send data on four parameters: temperature, atmospheric pressure, wind speed and wind direction, to be measured by instruments in the station.

Because the radio-isotope-fueled power system uses no moving parts, long-term, maintenance-free reliability is possible, says Martin. The dumping of excess heat from the generator is regulated to keep electronic components within a constant narrow temperature range.

The thermoelectric assembly consists of 60 lead-telluride thermocouples arranged like spoke's around the cylindrical heat source. They are connected in series to a single outlet. Output is $\mathrm{j}^{\mathrm{J}} \mathrm{w}$ at 4 v de. This is converter to $2 x v$ de to trickle-charge the nickelcadmium batteries.

Strontium titanate was selected because of its low solubility, which is said to minimize biological hazards.

In the operating generator, the fuel pellets are encased in several layers of an alloy called Hastelloy-C. It would take centuries to corrode, even if immersed in the ocean, studies indicate.

Radiation from strontium-90 in the working generator could be blocked by a variety of materials. Lead, 1.1 in . thick, has been used in the first unit. Final protection for the whole generator is an outer cladding of stainless steel. The generator weighs 55 lb and the shielding $1,6:-5 \mathrm{lb}$.
With hundreds of serious gaps in the pres ent world network of weather-reporting stations, particularly in polar regions accessible only during a brief time each year, the unmanned device fills a long-standing need. - -


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| 2N428 PNP | 2N806 | 2N466 PNP | CK66C |  |  |
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| 2N416 PNP | 2N812 | 2N439 NPN | 2N820 |  |  |
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## NEWS

## 19-Barreled U.S. Camera Shoots Planets by Day

A camera system that resembles an antiaircraft gun recently captured continuous bright views of Venus and Jupiter in daylight.

The giant Facet-Eye Camera System, developed by W. E. Woehl of the Air Force Missile Development Center, Holloman Air Force Base, N. M., was basically conceived for tracking missiles and satellites at extreme distances and in any kind of light.

The planetary images were transmitted to indoor viewing screens, where they were photographed with a plate camera. By using this method, distortion-free pictures were reported produced with a clarity and intensity ordinarily obtained only during night hours. The total field covered was reported to be many times the size obtainable by standard tracking telescopes.

The camera system, consisting of 19 longbarreled, $\overline{5}$-in. refracting telescopes linked to as many image-orthicon tubes, moves on a delicately balanced tracking mount. It is planned to increase the number of telescopes and oscilloscope screens to 25 to provide a viewing field of $2-1,2$ by 7 deg .

The system has been installed at the Air Force Missile Development Center.


A battery of 19 optical telescopes linked to imageorthicon tubes forms the Air Force's new Facet-Eye Camera System. Bright views of Venus and Jupiter were shot in daylight with the system.

## U. S. to Orbit Satellite to Test New World Tracking Network

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration is planning a satellite launching to test the recently completed worldwide Mercury tracking network.

A Mercury-Scout I will be orbited to provide real-time calibration, training and operational experience for the new 16 -station Mercury network. It will also provide a flight test of Mercury communications gear.

The satellite will be launched into an approximate 300-mile-high orbit by a Scout vehicle.

## Command Receiver Designed For Use in Skybolt Missiles

A new command destruct receiver for use in the Skybolt Missile Program is slated for production by the Ramo-Wooldridge Div. of Thompson Ramo Wooldridge, Inc., Canoga Park, Calif. The units will be delivered to Drouglas Aircraft Corp., where the first engineering model is presently undergoing environmental testing.
The receiver, called the CR-10, weighs $\because-1 \geq \mathrm{lb}$. Reduction of the new receiver to one-third the size and one-half the weight of an earlier model was accomplished by using helically loaded cavities, magnetostrictive audio filters, and potted modular construction of basic circuitry.

## Electrically Suspended Gyros Due in Polaris Missile Program

An electrically suspended giroscope with only one moving part is to be used in the inertial guidance system of the Navy's Polaris missile.

The gyroscope is composed of a beryllium rotor suspended in a vacuum by an electrical field. It is set in motion by an induced magnetic field, which is then turned off. Once started, the rotor will coast for about a year because of a lack of friction in the vacuum container

According to C. L. Davis of the Minneap-olis-Honeywell Regulator Corp., under contract to the Navy Bureau of Ordnance to produce the giroscope, a test model has been operated successfully for more than $6,300 \mathrm{hr}$ without being restarted.

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## Space Successes Mounting

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- Automated ship navigation is very close with the successful orbiting of Transit IV-A.
- Long-lasting power sources, formerly a bugaboo in our space program, may have arrived with the SNAP isotope generator used in Transit.
- Great worldwide benefit can be provided as Tiros III spots cloud formations that may permit early detection of vicious hurricanes and typhoons.
- The infrared eye of Midas should permit early warning of missile launchings. Although intensified effort is needed so that we can do something when we do spot a hostile shot, Midas must be considered an engineering achievement of high rank. Implementation of such a new concept is not often achieved on such a short time-scale.
A quick glance at the record shows 28 U . S. vehicles in orbit around the earth with 13 of them still transmitting. We have launched a total of 45 space vehicles compared with 12 launched by the Soviets. Currently only one of these Soviet satellites is still in earth-orbit, and it has ceased transmitting. (The recent rapid succession of space triumphs could conceivably alter these figures by our issue date).

The Russians certainly have shown perceptive foresight in planning space spectaculars, but our own program reflects $\boldsymbol{x}$ sounder approach to the imaginative utilization of this new dimension.

We remain strongly in favor of continued criticism of our space program where it is obviously weak. But it seems that the major advances of recent weeks should bring due credit to the men of good sense who have made them possible.-R. H.

## WESCON

As you browse through this WESCON preview issue you'll find some features of special interest. Product highlights are summarized on $p 62$, and descriptions of new products to be introduced at the show begin on p 6.4. Photographs of some of the research work to be viewed on WESCON field trips are presented on p 8.

If you make it to the show stop in and chat for awhile at our booth-P-1 \& 2 in the Cow Palace Annex. We welcome your suggestions and any article ideas you may have. A crew of DESIGN editors will be on hand to talk over article possibilities and give you some help on getting them written.

Look for the new enlarged Electronic Daily while you're at the show. For some time we've published an $8-1 / 2 \times 11 \mathrm{in}$. magazine for visitors to the IRE Show and WESCON. With this year's West Coast show we are shifting to a tabloid sized magazine-10-3/4 x 16-1/2 in.-on quality paper. As in the past, coverage will be restricted to show and convention activities.-E. E. G.

## new applications

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devices are completely avoided. The Cyclonome will step up to 400 times per second ( 20 rps ), using $\frac{1}{3}$ to 40 watts depending on the speed and what's hitched
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for automatic band sweeps. An electric utility uses a Cyclonome motor
driving a wiper arm around a printed circuit switch deck (see Cycloswitch ${ }^{(8)}$ illustration) to indicate tap positions on remotely located tap changing transformers; in a medical research application, a Cycloswitch monitors blood temperatures
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# Tunnel Diode Sine-Wave Oscillators- 

Part I


#### Abstract

Series-parallel tunnel diode sine-wave oscillators offer excellent frequency stability characteristics-4 parts/10,000 drift for a 1-mc oscillator operating from -50 to +100 C . The design procedure is presented with examples of 1 -kc, 100 -kc and 1-mc circuits. Device and circuit limitations are included in Part I. Part II, to appear in the August 16 issue, contains a complete circuit analysis of the starting and steady-state conditions as well as the derivation of the design equations. A wireless fm microphone and crystal controlled oscillator will also be described in Part II.


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BECAUSE OF its inherent negative conductance characteristic, the tunnel diode is ideally suited for oscillator operation. The temperature stability of its characteristics is excellent and the frequency stability of the resulting oscillator circuit primarily depends on the associated circuit components.

Oscillator Configuration-
"Series" vs "Series-Parallel"
The simplest tunnel diode oscillator circuit is the "series" type, see Fig. 1. In this circuit the diode, appropriately biased in the negative conductance region, is connected in series with an external inductor.

In such an arrangement, the analysis ${ }^{\text {L }}$ shows that the circuit will oscillate freely in a sinusoidal manner when

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{R_{T}}{\left|g_{d}\right|}=\frac{L}{C} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

at a frequency

$$
\begin{equation*}
f_{0}=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \sqrt{\frac{1-R_{T} \cdot\left|g_{d}\right|}{L C}} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Both the frequency and the stability of this circuit depend largely on $\left|g_{d}\right|$; since this conductance is a time-average value which
varies with voltage and temperature, such a circuit is rather unstable

Another circuit approach, much less subject to the various causes of instability, is shown in Fig. 2. The operating frequency of this "series-parallel" circuit can be made primarily dependent on the $L$ and $C$ of the tank circuit and can therefore be quite stable. $A$ detailed analysis for this circuit (see Equation Derivation section) shows that the operating frequency is determined by
$f_{0}=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{L\left(C+C_{1}\right)}-\frac{g_{d^{2}}}{C_{1}\left(C+C_{1}\right)}}(3)$ and that for stable sinusoidal oscillations

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{T}=\frac{g_{d}}{\omega^{2} C_{1}{ }^{2}+g_{d^{-}}} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

It should be pointed out that several approximations have been made in the analysis. First, the diode series resistance and series inductance have been neglected as they will generally be small compared to the external

(a)

(b)

Fig. 1. Simple series-type oscillator and its equivalent circuit.
lumped constants. Secondly, the term $g_{t}$, in reality should be a time-average value where $y_{d}$ be expressed in function of time as:
$g_{1}(t)=y_{0}+g_{1} \cos \omega t+y_{2} \cos 2{ }_{2}, t+$
is only approximated. Presently, only an average value of $r_{1}$ is being specified by the manufacturer. This parameter is measured in the following manner. While observing the $V$-I characteristic, the tunnel diode is shunted by a variable resistance. When $R=1 / g_{d}$, the slope of the negative conductance becomes zero over the active range and since $R$ is known, $g_{d}$ is thus established.

## Limitations Include Low Output

 and Poor EfficiencyThe use of the tunnel diode as an active device in oscillator circuits has certain limitations. Obviously the first of these is the small amount of power output obtainable from such a circuit. It is apparent from a rough approximation of the $V$-I characteristics that the maximum power output available from the tunnel diode is

$$
\begin{align*}
P_{0 \text { mar }} & =\frac{\left(V_{r}-V_{p}\right)\left(I_{p}-I_{r}\right)}{8}  \tag{5}\\
& \approx \frac{I_{p}}{35}(\text { for } \text { germanium })
\end{align*}
$$

[For germanium, $V_{r}-V_{p}=350-65=285 \mathrm{mv}$ $\boldsymbol{I}_{p} / \boldsymbol{I}_{r}=5$ (typ) $\left.\therefore \boldsymbol{I}_{p}-\boldsymbol{I}_{v}=0.8 I_{\| \prime}(\mathrm{typ})\right]$

Hence it would take at least a $35-\mathrm{amp}$ peak


Fig. 2. Simplified equivalent circuit of series. parallel sine-wave oscillator.
current unit to obtain 1 W of power output or a 3.5 -amp unit to obtain 100 mw of output power. A 3.5-amp germanium unit has a negative resistance of 0.1 ohm or less. Driving such a resistance from a stiff voltage source is difficult and inefficient.

Another problem is that such a high power unit has a rather large junction area, hence a relatively large junction capacitance. The magnitude of this capacitance seriously limits the frequency at which this power is available

Further limitations can be found in coupling this oscillator to a load. The tunnel diode oscillator circuit only delivers a fraction of $1 \times(\mathrm{rms})$ to the tank circuit. Generally, as this circuit is coupled into other low impedance semiconductor circuits, a stepdown transformer only serves to lower this output voltage swing.

Finally, the efficiency of such a circuit, driven from present conventional power supplies (relatively high de voltages) is low. An efficient tunnel diode supply would provide a fraction of $1 v$ with a large current ca-pacity-just the opposite of conventionally used supplies. On the other hand, solar cells and thermoelectric generators could probably be used to advantage in tunnel diode circuits.

Design Procedure for a
1-Kc Sine-wave Oscillator
Given the frequency and required output power, the choice of diode can be made. For 1 mw of rms power, a greater than 35-ma diode is required. Another consideration in the choice of diode is its capacitance and inductance for high-f requency applications, as these parasitic parameters can severely limit the freguency range. A further consideration is of a purely practical nature; at low frequencies. the size of the inductor becomes electrically and physically large. To mini-

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Fig. 3. (a) Schematic of a $1-\mathrm{kc}$ oscillator with calculations shown in (b). Frequency and amplifude stability are shown as lemperature (c) and bias voltage (d).
mize physical dimensions, smaller wire is used resulting in larger values of dc resistance. The tunnel diode must remain stably biased in the negative conductance region. Therefore, $\boldsymbol{R}_{1}$ must be smaller than $1 / g_{d}$, and if the dc resistance of the coil were very large, $g_{d}$ would have to be very small. This dictates the use of a very low-current tunnel diode since $g_{d}=\Delta i / \Delta v$ and $\Delta v$ is fixed.

For the first design example, consider a 1 -ke sinusoidal oscillator having a limited
power output of about $1 \mu \mathrm{w}$. A rough approximation indicates that a unit with $I_{p}$ over $35 \mu$ a will do the job. As tunnel diodes with $I_{p}<1 \mathrm{ma}$ are not generally available, a backward diode (generally this device can be used'as a low-current tunnel diode) is utilized. If a unit such as GE's gallium arsenide, 4FJ1-STD002, having a typical negative conductance of approximately $3 \times$ $10^{-4}$ mhos, is used $R_{T}$ can now be 1 to 2 K without seriously impairing the dc stability of the circuit (see Fig. 3a).

Once $g_{d}$ is determined, the choice of $R_{T}$ can be made. The limits are that $R_{T}<1 / g_{t}$, but if $\boldsymbol{R}_{T}$ is made very small, the dc power consumption of the circuit becomes too large. Hence $\boldsymbol{R}_{T}$ is chosen somewhere between 0.3 and 0.7 of $1 / g_{d}$ as this will yield adequate stability with reasonable power consumption.

If $R_{T}=0.3 / g_{d}, R_{T}$ will be about 1,000 ohms for the particular example. At this point. $C_{1}$ can be calculated, where (from Eq. 4)

$$
\begin{aligned}
C_{1}= & \sqrt{\frac{g_{d}\left(1-R_{T} g_{d}\right)}{R_{T(0)^{2}}}} \\
& =\sqrt{\frac{3 \times 10^{-4}(1-0.3)}{10^{3} \times 4 \times 10^{2}}}=0.071 \mu \mathrm{f}
\end{aligned}
$$

Since :

$$
C+\frac{C_{1}}{1-R_{T} \cdot g_{d}}=\frac{1}{L \omega^{2}}
$$

If $L$ is chosen somewhat arbitrarily at 100 mh with a $R_{D C} \cong 100$ ohms

$$
C=0.25-\frac{0.071}{1-0.3} \mu \mathrm{f}=0.15 \mu \mathrm{f}
$$

The de bias circuit can now be calculated. Assume the circuit supply voltage $\boldsymbol{E}_{b 0}=3.0 \mathrm{v}$. If $R_{\mathrm{t}}$ (see Fig. 3b) is 1,000 ohms, then

$$
I_{\text {total }}=I_{\text {diode }}+E_{\text {diode }} / \boldsymbol{R}_{1}=310 \mu \mathrm{a}
$$

and

$$
\begin{aligned}
R_{2}= & \frac{E_{\Delta D}-\left(E_{\text {diode }}+E_{R D C}\right)}{I_{\text {total }}} \\
& =\frac{3-(0.25+0.03)}{310 \times 10^{-6}}=8,800 \mathrm{ohms} \\
R_{T}= & \frac{R_{1} \times R_{2}}{R_{1}+R_{2}}+R_{D C}+R_{t} \\
= & \frac{8,800 \times 1,000}{9,800}+100+2 \cong 1,000 \mathrm{ohms}
\end{aligned}
$$

The performance characteristics of such an oscillator meet the requirements used for tone generators of electronic organs as the stability data of Fig. 3c illustrate. In this figure, the frequency variation vs tempera-
ture is shown to be only in the order of 0.1 per cent from -50 C to +100 C , while over the more limited range of environmental conditions to which an electronic organ is normally subjected, the stability is considerably better. The amplitude variation is also minor while both the frequency and amplitude variation versus bias is quite acceptable over a wide range, Fig. 3d.

## Performance of a <br> $100 \cdot \mathrm{Kc}$ Oscillator

Another example at 100 kc , would simply involve dividing $L, C$ and $C_{1}$ by 100). Thus

$$
\begin{aligned}
& C_{1}=710 \mathrm{pf} \\
& C=1,500 \mathrm{pt} \\
& L=1 \mathrm{mh}
\end{aligned}
$$

If the same tunnel diode is used, the bias circuit remains the same as shown in Fig. sa. At 100 kc however, the size of the inductance will easily permit the use of larger peak current tunnel diodes and hence the circuit can be designed to accommodate a 1 -ma peak current unit with greater power output. The performance characteristics of a 100 kc oscillator is illustrated in Figs. 4 through 6. Fig. 4 shows the circuit diagram and the oscilloscope presentation of the output waveform across the tunnel diode (upper) and across the tank circuit (lower).

Fig. $\overline{3}$ indicates the frequency variation vs bias voltage and Fig. 6 shows the frequency variation vs temperature characteristic of the diode. In these tests only the tunnel diode was exnosed to temperature change in order to establish its contribution to circuit instability. The external circuit can be designed to provide temperature compensation for even greater frequency stability.

As can be seen from the data, the frequency stability of this circuit is quite good over a wide range of temperature and bias voltage.

## Fraction of Per Cent Frequency Drift In 1-Mc Oscillator

The next circuit, a 1 -mc oscillator, was tested and showed considerable improvement, as illustrated in Figs. 7 through 9.

Fig. 7 illustrates the fact that by changing the bias voltage, the variation of frequency is only in the order of a few hundred cycles out of 1.14 mc , a change in the order of 0.0 ) per cent. Over the range of 155 to 200 mv . the amplitude of the output voltage varies only from $63 \mathrm{mv}-\mathrm{rms}$ down to $5 \overline{5} \mathrm{mv}-\mathrm{rms}$.

Fig. 8 shows the temperature stability of this ossillator circuit over a range of -50 C to +100 C . It can be seen that the frequency


Fig．4．100－ke sine－wave oscillator circuit and output woveform across diode（upper）and tank circuit（lower）．
varies only +18 to -16 millipercent over this wide temperature range．

Amplitude and Distortion U＇naffected by Variable Capacitor Tuning
The main variable creating the frequency shift versus bias and temperature is the neg－ ative conductance（ $-g_{t}$ ）．As the operating frequency is increased，the variation of fre－ quency（ $\Delta f$ ）caused by $\Delta g_{11}$ remains the same；however，since $f$ changes，$\Delta f / f \times 100$ decreases，thus causing a lower percentage of frequency shift．

Finally，Fig． 9 shows that varying the ca－ pacitor $C \perp$ in the parallel tank circuit over an appreciable range accomplishes smooth tuning without change in amplitude or dis－ tortion．This latter point is especially impor－ tant since in the＂series＂type oscillator cir－ cuit a change in either $L$ ，or $C$ affects stability and distortion greatly．

Limitations Imposed by High Power， High Frequency Demands

At higher power output requirements（in the milliwatt region）or at higher frequen－ cies，further limitations cause the aforemen－ tioned sequence of design procedure to be－ come somewhat impractical．After having chosen a tunnel diode with a sufficient peak current to furnish the required power output， $g_{d}$ is essentially established．For example，it will take a 100 －ma unit to furnish about 3 mw of available output power．A $100-\mathrm{ma}$ unit has a negative conductance $g_{\|}$in the order of $1 \mathrm{mho}(-r \boldsymbol{r}=1 \mathrm{ohm})$ ．If one keeps the product of $R_{T} \times g_{d}$ at 0.5 then $C_{1}$ is es－ tablished by Eq． 4.

The problem arises in the heretofore some－ what arbitrary choice of $L$ ．This inductance becomes much more restricted as $\pi_{\|}$and the onerating frequency increase．The inductance is determined by

$$
\begin{equation*}
L=\frac{1}{\omega^{2}\left[C+\frac{C_{1}}{1-R_{r} \cdot g_{d}}\right]} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

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Fig. 5. Frequency variation of the 100 -kc ascillator vs bias voltage at 25 C .


Fig. 7. Frequency stability vs bas voltage of 1 -mc ascillator,


Fig. 9. Frequency tuning by means of variable capacitor $C \perp$ provides a smooth variation without change in amplitude ( 60 mv ) or distortion.


Fig. 8. Frequency stability vs temperature of $1-\mathrm{mc}$ oscillator.

The maximum value of $L$ is realized when $C$ becomes zero, at which time

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{m a r}=\frac{1}{\omega^{2} \frac{C_{1}}{\left\lfloor 1-\kappa_{T} \cdot \theta_{V}\right\rfloor}} \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

If this value is now found by using a higher. power example at, for example, 1 mc , then :

$$
\dot{\boldsymbol{L}}_{\operatorname{maz}}=\frac{1}{39.6 \times 10^{12} \times 0.32 \times 10^{-6}} \cong 78 \mathrm{nh}
$$

If a small capacitance is now added and/or if the operating frequency is further increased, $L$ will quickly reach the package limitations of the tunnel diode.

For example, if $f=10 \mathrm{mc}$ and $C$ is 10 pf , then:

$$
C_{3}=\sqrt{\frac{1(1-0.5)}{0.5 \times 39.6 \times 10^{24}}}=0.016 \mu f
$$

and
$L=\frac{1}{39.6 \times 10^{14} \times 10 \times 10^{-12}+\left(\frac{16 \times 10^{-9}}{0.5}\right)}$

## $=7.88 \mathrm{nh}$

For the TO-18 packaged devices, this is the magnitude of the case and lead inductance and a further reduction would be difficult to achieve. Naturally lower inductance tunnel diode constructions as well as techniques for tuning out some of the inductance (in coaxial or triplate arrangement for microwave applications) might extend these limits somewhat.

The inductance $L$ can be further increased, however, if $C_{1}$ is reduced. The limit of $C_{1}$ is the tunnel diode capacitance $C_{n}$, at which time the circuit simplifies down to the simple

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"series" type:

$$
L_{m a r}=\frac{1}{\omega^{2}\left(\frac{C_{D}}{1-R_{T} g_{d}}\right)}
$$

Rewriting this equation for frequency gives us, once again, Eq. 2 of the "series" circuit.

$$
n=\sqrt{\frac{\left(1-R_{T} g_{d}\right)}{L_{T} C_{D}}}
$$

Since $C_{B}=C_{i}=\sqrt{\frac{g_{d}\left(1-R_{T} \cdot g_{d}\right)}{R_{T}}}(9)$ the ratio of $\ell_{d} \boldsymbol{R}_{T}$ will have to be reduced if $C_{1}$ is reduced considerably. As $R_{T}$ is dependent on $!_{d}$, this essentially means that a lower (/, should be used; hence, a lower current tunnel diorle. The use of $C$ and $C_{1}$ as stabilizing (or swamping) components being so desirable, one might not want to carry $C_{1}$ to the limit and hence another design example might prove interesting.

$$
\text { Let } C=C_{1}=10 C_{n}
$$

In this new circuit, Frf. $q$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{g_{d}}{R_{T}} & =\frac{C_{1}^{2} \omega^{2}}{\left(1-R_{T} g_{d}\right)} \\
\text { if } \quad R_{T} & =\frac{R_{t}}{2}, \frac{2}{R_{d}^{2}}=2 C_{1}^{2} \omega^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

and hence $R_{u}=\sqrt{\frac{1}{\mathrm{~m}^{2} C_{1}^{2}}}$
$R_{0}$ (for the previous 10 -mc example) now becomes: (assume $C_{11}=\overline{\mathrm{p}}$, thus $C_{1}=$ :() pf)
$R_{u} \cong \frac{1}{10 \times 10^{11} \times 2,500 \times 10^{-4}} \simeq 320 \Omega$ $R_{T}=\frac{R_{B}}{2}=160!$
and $\quad L_{r}=\frac{1}{40 \times 10^{14}\left(50 \times 10^{-12}\right.}$

$$
\overline{+\frac{\left.50 \times 10^{12}\right)}{0.5}}=1.67 \mu \mathrm{~h}
$$

The result is a circuit, with reasonable $L / C$ and the tunnel diode capacitance and its variation vs temperature and bias is swamped out. - -

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## Backlighting:

## Best for Electronic Control Panels

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#### Abstract

Backlighting is about the best way for an electronic designer to add another "information channel" to an already crowded, conf using, instrument panel, says Rohm \& Haas's A. M. Blumenfeld. Here, he starts the designer off with the basics of panel selection and marking, and light placement.


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BACKLIGHTING is often the most efficient method for illuminating a control console panel. For the job it can do, it is often the optimum solution, eliminating the shortcomings of front floodlighting, and the technical complexity and low brightness limitations of edge lighting, in man-machine communications.

This article will cover the basics of backlighting. Knowing the basics, the engineer will be able to estimate how he can tackle the more sophisticated man-machine communication and appearance problems.

For backlighting, you need only three things: a transparent or translucent panel on the instrument face, a graphic display on the panel, and sources of light behind the panel. From this basic start, you can gain other degrees of freedom by adding more than one pattern, colored lights, and logical

switching for the lights. According to the number of different patterns and the amount of interrelated switching you add to the lighting circuits, you can end up with a panel, see photos, which is capable of trans mitting a large amount of "human-engineered" information about the machine's status to the operator and do this within the confines of a fairly small panel.

## Designing the

Panel for Backlighting
The first choice of material for a backlighted "image panel" is usually it translucent (opalescent) acrylic plastic sheet, Fig 1a. Suitable acrylic sheets are available in a broad range of transmission densities and colors. On the other hand, for certain effects, a clear acrylic sheet with translucent or opaque coatings on either or both surfaces may prove better, Fig. 1b.

If crisp outlines are essential, and translucent acrylic panels are used, the coating which forms the image must be applied to

This traffic control center for directing train move ments is a good example of the use of backlighting for sophisticated communication with the operator. Here (left) the miniafure track diagram contains small backlights that indicate the operational condition of the switches and signals as well as indicator numbers. Backview (right) gives idea of the wiring arrangement used. Union Switch \& Signal division of Westinghouse Air Brake was the builder.
the front surface of the panel. Front coatings present durability problems, however. when the panel is handled or cleaned frequently. But when transparent plastic panels are used, patterns in coatings are sharp and clear on either side, and the coating can be put on the back for better protection.

Components and surfaces inside the lightbox plenum behind the panel should be either of silver-colored metal (but not highly polished) or be coated with a white matte finish of "high-reflectance" properties.
Placement of
Back Lights
Light may be flooded from the top or sides onto a reflecting panel, Fig. 2, and thence through the transmitting image panel. Reflectors may be parabolic or simply flat (the angles are best established by experiment). Reflected backlighting produces less brightness than direct backlighting, but is useful where lamp access is a problem, or limited depth is available behind the image panel, or


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some indicator mechanism is in the way.
The dual-panel system shown in Fig. 3a is a combination of edge lighting and backlighting and is useful where:

- Space behind image panel is severely limited.
- Image panel is predominantly dark but markings are illuminated.
- Extreme brightness is not required.

These conditions are common in military electronics and in the general run of communications equipment.

As Fig. 3a shows, the transparent image panel is coated on the back (or front) surface with an opaque material which carries the markings in negative (dropped-out) form. This coating is then backed with a high light-transmitting and uniform layer of white translucent paint. An edge-lighted panel is located immediately behind the image panel, but not adhered to it. This edge-lit panel has small areas of white paint on its back surface behind each marking or pattern to catch and diffuse the light rebrounding inside the edge-lit panel. These white-painted areas should not exceed $20-$ 30 per cent of the edge-lit panel's total surface. Long strips of markings parallel to the illuminated edge are acceptable, but $3 / 8$-in. to $1 / 2$-in. should be the maximum width of such strips.

## Avoid Totally

## Transparent Areas

When designing back-lit image panels, totally transparent areas are generally to be avoided-to prevent glare and exposure of lamps and structures behind the panel. Accordingly, translucent paints on the backs of transparent panels are employed in combination with the opaque paints which form the images. Three variations are illustrated in Fig. 3, one in Fig. 3a and two in the upper part of Fig. 3b.

## "Hidden Message"

## Technique with Backlighting

Specific segments of backlighted panels are often selectively illuminated by locating lamps within their own light-proof dividers, which may be labyrinths, egg crates, etc., Fig. 3b bottom.

Annunciator panels for control systems and count-down status boards in missile


Fig. 1. Both translucent and clear panels can be used for backlighting.


Fig. 2. Light sources for backlighting do not have to take up space directly behind the panel. They can be used in conjunction with parabolic or flat reflectors.


Fig. 3. Where behind-panel space is really limited, a "dual panel" combination of edge-lighting and backlighting can be used (a). Design variations with backlighting (b) include the useful "hidden message" technique.


Three Methods for Lighting Panels; Why Backlighting is Best

1. Floodlighting: This is the "brute force" approach. But while the designer needs no special knowledge and regular opaque panels can be used, a high contrast between the image and background is mandatory and excessive stray light and glare which may bother the operator or others in the area is difficult to eliminate.
2. Edge-lighting: Transparent plastic, usually acrylics, must be employed. This is excellent for low ambient light conditions, but poor for high-light conditions. A moderate amount of specialized knowledge is needed by the designer. This type of lighting is more widely used in consumer products such as home appliances than in electronic products. It does have limited application for illuminated sector dials, scales and digital readouts. (It is somewhat related to the bundles of optical fibers being developed for image transmission and light amplification.)
3. Backlighting: Transillumination, as it is sometimes called, is the best method for most electronic equipment because the same visual effectiveness is achieved whether the equipment is unlighted during the day or lighted by night. In addition. backlighting is best for illuminating elements such as control and warning devices which must appear luminous when observed under high ambient light conditions. Finally. backlighting is not too difficult for the designer to tackle. Such simple rules as the one for lamp spacing, "provide equal distances between adjacent lamps, and between lamps and control panel." can be used.


Fig. 4. On-off indicators and warning lights are familiar forms of backlighting.


Fig. 5. The optical "tricks" possible with prisms may be important where panel frontal area is limited.
blockhouses are excellent examples of use of "hidden messages." When the copy is negative in an opaque coating which is applied behind a continuous translucent coating, a very effective "hidden message" becomes possible, since the existence of the message is not apparent until the lamp is lit. These coatings should be applied in the prescribed sequence to the front of translucent plastics or to the rear of transparent plastic panels.

## Jewel Lights and Pushbuttons

Widely Available with Built-In Backlighting
Electronic designers are commonly familiar with jewel lights as on-off indicators and as warning lights. Such lights are available in many forms, but the four shown in Fig. 4 $\mathrm{a} \& \mathrm{~b}$ are typical of those used with transparent materials. They are easily produced in acrylic plastics, in almost any hue and in almost any desired intensity.

Transparent jewels should be designed for the emerging ray pattern which will best correspond to the viewing position of the operator. If the viewer's eye will customarily be within a narrow cone straight ahead of the jewel, a protruding spherical design will work well. If the viewer moves about more, but is commonly located between 30-60 deg off the center line of the jewel, a protruding
parabolic shape is better. If the viewer must sight along the face of the panel, a cylinder with a conical depression in the front face works best.
Finally, if the design requires equal illumination at all angles in front of the panel, the lamp should be mounted forward, projecting through the front panel surface, and should be covered with a transparent or translucent plastic dome. Dark adjacent areas, hoods and shallow wells aid in discrimination of the light when low brightness lamps must be used.

Reflector jewels or reflex lens designs are generally poor for backlighting. Fresnel patterns, radial grooves, faceting and combinations of polishing with frosting are all helpful, but require experiment with prototypes to assure that the desired optical effect is actually obtained.

Translucent plastics of high transmission value and brilliant color give excellent results as jewels, but lack the sparkle of colored fully transparent materials. Maximum brightness, of course, comes from a direct view of the lamp filament itself, and the intention of the designer should be to preserve as much of this brightness as possible.

Colors at the warm end of the spectrum (reds) are more readily discriminated under poor contrast conditions than colors at the cool end of the spectrum (blues).

## What Type of Lighted

Pushbutton to Use
If pushbuttons are to be individually lighted, they are generally designed so that the lamp is located directly behind the transparent button. Such buttons are in a sense jewels and give the brightest results when they are in the form of hollow cups over the lamps.

The selection of the physical type of pushbutton has a number of ramifications:

- Cup-shaped transparent buttons (top sketch, Fig. 4b), permit images and markings to be located on the rear surface of the frontal plane and permit changeable back-lighting inserts.
- Solid buttons which are backlighted (middle sketch, Fig. 4b) require longer mechanical connections to clear the lamp during action. When of transparent materials, with copy markings located on the back face, they suffer from the "deep-well" look.
- Long translucent buttons transmit light poorly unless very thinly dispersed colorants are specified and even then the markings must be on the front to be
legible. Hence wear or damage may be a problem. Some designers have used thin diffuser disks cemented to the front of a clear button, but this is not a recommended technique.
- For long service life, the lamp should be stationary to prevent jarring of the filament every time the button is operated. Ventilation to increase lamp life as well as to prevent heat distortion of the thermoplastic acrylics can be an important design consideration.
When multibutton switch assemblies are used, the button shape and lamp position must often be planned around the switch configuration. One approach is to sidelight the buttons by means of a $4 \overline{5}$-deg facet for total internal reflection as shown in the bottom of Fig. 4b. However, the markings must be located on the front face of the button, and the long light travel restricts the merging ray pattern so that effective viewing is limited to the nearly dead-ahead position.

Another solution is to sidelight a button of slightly translucent plastic, without providing optical control facets. The effect will be that of a smoke-filled room. Light is scattered by the translucent pigment and enough of it glows out the front of the button to do the job. This eliminates the "deep well" effect.

When space behind the panel is very tight, buttons may be lighted from the light "flux" emerging from a secondary brightly lighted panel. The light-receiving surfaces of the buttons must fall in the plane of the edgelighted panel when they are actuated. This is useful only for buttons which remain depressed during the selected function. Where there are rows of such buttons, the accommodating holes in the edge-lighted panel must be in a line parallel to the light-entering edge of that panel, or radially around a central lamp to prevent shadowing of the button that is furthest from the light source.

## Optical Control <br> of Visual Images

Acrylics (as well as some other plastics to varying degrees) present challenging opportunities to the electronic designer. It is practical to incorporate, without great additional cost, many optical refinements such as magnifiers, reducers, collimators, and prisms as integral elements of molded panels and panel components. Pointer scale magnifiers and reflex prisms are probably the most useful, yet they are relatively simple to design and can be worked into backlit panel designs to advantage.

Designer Should Keep Eye Out For New Backlighting Materials, Devices

Besides the acrylics mentioned by author Blumenfeld (his company, Rohm \& Haas, produces the well-known Plexiglas brand), a designer should keep his eye out for other transparent and translucent panel materials. Some which come to mind are: clear epoxies and polyesters (Mylar film) and clear silicones. There is no reason. for example, that a throw-away subsystem couldn't have its own indicating lights potted along with the rest of the electronics in one of the new clear silicones.
Lamp and indicator device manufacturers are continually developing new units which may be attractive for backlighting applications. Pushbuttons with integral indicating lamps are mentioned in the text. Others would be translucent indicator tapes and miniature readout wheels.

For example, the prism of Fig. in, designed as an isoceles right triangle, permits two different images to appear alternately in the same frontal area of the instrument panel, either because the viewer has changed his viewing angle, or because the prism has been pivoted (as by a linkage connected to a scale-changing knob).

Viewing perpendicularly to the plane of one of the short sides (see arrows coming in horizontally from right) will cause the sight line to reflect totally at the long side, to reveal an image or scale beyond the other short side. Viewing at a slightly different angle to the short side (downward-slanted arrows from right), however, will permit copy behind the long surface (and separated from it by an air interface) to be viewed. Prisms such as these are useful for reducing clutter in panels where only small frontal areas are available for multiple scale or message observations. Common applications are for switching to different frequency bands on communications equipment and from regular to vernier scales on instruments.

In the case of molded lenses, it is generally better to design double convex, rather than plano-convex types, since molding sinks in the flat surface might cause objectionable image aberrations with plano-convex lenses.

A little attention to more attractive, more useful panels can add a lot of sales appeal. Backlighting is one of the most practical approaches for the designer in making panels more attractive and more useful. - -

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# How to Evaluate DC Differential Amplifiers 

The principal features of dc differential amplifiers are much talked of, according to author William Royce, but they are little understood. Precise terms are being bandied about more and more loosely. As a result, design engineers are hard pressed to interpret manufacturers' data intelligently. In addition to the evaluation criteria he presents here, Mr. Royce gives simple tests for checking important features.

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THE WORD "differential" is today being applied to more and more amplifiers. Most of the manufacturers' listed specifications differ so widely in terminology that a comparative evaluation of characteristics is impossible. Indeed, in some cases, the manufacturers' data sheets are so clouded with unclear terms and ambiguous qualifications and implications as to be misleading.

Consequently there is a need for a clear interpretation of all terms, a precise specification saying exactly how an amplifier is guaranteed to perform. Any implied, unstated, or nondefinitive specification can be ignored. It is better to have guaranteed exact limits on performance than implied or "typical" performance which may seem better. Typical performance information is very valuable, but thorough applications engineering must evaluate "worst-case" conditions.
One point in particular should be established about the specifications: do they apply simultaneously? One sometimes encounters examples of specifications which apply only for limited circumstances (not spelled out) which require modification to the standard amplifier normally supplied. For example, the bandwidth may be stated in one paragraph, and the common-mode rejection in another. Quite possibly this rejection represents a maximum, achieved only with filters that narrow the bandwidth considerably from the first value. Performance may also
vary with gain setting. If such variation is not stated, then it must be assumed there is none, and evaluation tests must therefore be considered accordingly.

Differential Amplifiers Available
In Three Basic Types
What is a "differential amplifier"? Actually , the term is now virtually meaningless. The three most commonly encountered data-amplifier types are the single-ended, the balanced, and the isolated input. Ignoring for the moment nonessential differences in detail performance, let us examine these for type distinction.

The single-ended has two input terminals, one of which is connected directly to one output terminal. The balanced-input amplifier has a three-terminal input, with one pair balanced (i.e., symmetrical) to the third or common terminal. The isolated-input amplifier has a pair of input terminals not connected, except for leakages, to the output terminals. In general, the input system of the isolated-input amplifier is shielded and the shield connection is brought out as a third terminal along with the signal pair.

## Three Types Distinguished

## By Common-Mode Rejection

Operationally, these three types are distinguished by their relative ability to disregard an unwanted, interfering signal, appearing between the input and output terminals. This unwanted signal is termed "com-mon-mode voltage" because it is common to all input leads and signal sources. Ideally, an
amplifier would respond only to the signal applied to the input terminals and would neither connect this signal source to any other terminals nor respond to an extraneous voltage appearing between the desired signal source and other terminals.
Obviously, the single-ended amplifier does not meet these requirements at all with its direct connection to an output terminal. The balanced input, though not nearly meeting the ideal, can be used in limited applications to achieve some rejection of the spurious voltages. The isolated-input amplifiers now available are approaching the ideal in their ability to reject the spurious signal under general conditions.

In systems having only one "ground" point, the single-ended amplifier may generally be used. Typical of this type of system is an isolated, straingage bridge, excited by an isolated supply as a source, permitting a single ground near the amplifier regardless of the load. Because it generally has greater simplicity, reliability, and better performance, the single-ended amplifier is the preferred type if the system permits its use

Systems having, of necessity, more than one ground connection seldom work satisfactorily with the single-ended amplifier. Such a system is typified by a bonded thermocouple source far from the amplifier, with the amplifier driving a grounded load. Multiple ground points never have the same potential; indeed, they may differ by volts. Sampling a portion of this difference will degrade the desired signal materially-even masking it completely in severe cases. For these sys-
tems, only the balanced or isolated-input amplifier is practical.

## Balanced Input Amplifier

## Cancels Common-Mode Voltage

The balanced-input amplifier represents a bridge technique for canceling out the com-mon-mode voltage (CMV). As with any practical ac bridge, there is a maximum dependable degree of balance. A data system deployed over hundreds of feet of distance, with varying temperature and other disturbances is a very difficult bridge to maintain balanced. Common-mode rejection (CMR) is the attenuation factor for the common-mode voltage, usually expressed in db . Under favorable conditions, the CMR may run 30 to 40 db .

The factors contributing to balance difficulties are resistive unbalance at the source, capacitive line and connector unbalance, and limitations inherent in the amplifier with gain switching, time, and temperature. There is also a limit on the maximum magnitude of CMV which may be applied. In some cases this may be well below the typical CMV present in a system.

For most systems, dependence on a questionable balance to reject typically large common-mode voltages is quite undesirable. This is not to say that the balanced-input amplified is not useful. There are systems having very low common-mode voltages and relatively invariant signal sources. Here the practical CMR is adequate without resorting to the more complex isolated-input amplifier.

## Isolated-Input Amplifier

Offers Systems Flexibility
It is for the more general case involving varying source-impedance balance and rather large common-mode voltages that the iso-
lated-input amplifier is intended. Although more complex and costly, it offers very great flexibility in system usage. In effect, the isolation and shielding of the input allow one to do electrically what is not possible physi-cally-locate the amplifier input at the source and the output at the load.

It is for this type of amplifier that we shall outline a few simple tests which most quickly show its application possibilities. Certainly, before final acceptance of a chosen amplifier, its full compliance with specifications should be demonstrated. These full tests, however, can be lengthy. If an amplifier shows poor performance on the quick tests, then the full tests may be neglected.

No comparison of chopper-stabilized and straight-carrier or direct-coupled amplifiers is made here, principally because only chop-per-stabilized or straight-carrier types are capable of the low dc drift required of modern systems, and secondly, because the directcoupled amplifier (for example, an oscilloscope preamplifier) is not capable of isolatedinput operation.

## Tests for Common-Mode Rejection

The single unique feature of a "differential" amplifier is its ability to reject ac com-mon-mode voltage. The most troublesome CMV is usually at 60 cps , the power line frequency. Typically, the rejection for dc is greater than for 60 cps , and lower for higher frequencies. The common-mode rejection is most often defined as the ratio of applied CMV to the equivalent normal-mode signal it produces; that is:

$$
C M R=\frac{C M V}{E q \cdot I n p u t}=\frac{C M V}{E_{o} / A}=\frac{A(C M V)}{E_{o}}
$$

where $\boldsymbol{A}=$ differential gain of the amplifier

| Relative Merits of Differential-Amplifier Types |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amplifier Classification | No. of Input Terminals | Relative Cost \& Complexity | Allowable System Ground Points | Practical CommonMode Rejection (CMR) | Relative Sensitivity of CMR to System Variations | CommonAllowable <br> Mode Voltage (CMV) |
| Single-ended | 2 | Lowest | 1 | None | - | None |
| Balanced-differı | 3 | Medium | 2 | 30.40 db from dc to 60 cps | High | Low |
| Isolated Input | 2 | High | 2 | $\begin{gathered} 100 \mathrm{db} \text { at dc } \\ 30 \cdot 60 \mathrm{at} 60 \mathrm{cps} \end{gathered}$ | Low | High at dc Low at 60 cps |
| Shielded \& Isola | 2 signal 1 shield | Highest | 2 | 180 db at dc 130 db at 60 cps | Very low | High at dc and 60 cps |



Fig. 2. Sel-up for measuring de linearity and gain.
and $E_{0}=$ amplifier output resulting from CMV.

In Fig. 1 we have a set-up simulating an unbalanced source. This test should be made first as shown, then again with the input leads reversed; i.e., the $680-\mathrm{ohm}$ and $220-\mathrm{ohm}$ resistors interchanged. A good value of CMR at 60 cps in this test is 130 db ( 3 million: 1) for either lead unbalanced. Although 130 db CMR at 60 cps is seldom needed, the corresponding rejection at higher frequencies (e.g., 120 cps or 400 cps ) is very helpful. (Typically, CMR will drop at a 6 db per octave rate.)

As a second set of tests, repeat these tests using a $10-\mathrm{K}$ resistor instead of the $\mathbf{6 8 0}$ ohms, retaining the 220 ohms. Again, test first one way then with the input leads reversed. This test gives as great an unbalance as is generally encountered with normalizing potentiometers on the input lines. For this test, a CMR of 120 db at 60 cps is excellent.

## Test for Linearity

With the set-up of Fig. 2, one can determine the dc linearity and gain. Actually, the de-gain accuracy is seldom very important since the amplifier may incorporate variablegain controls or system gain may be controlled at several points. The linearity, or constancy of gain vs signal level and polarity,


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is quite important since no adjustment for nonlinearity is practical. Good linearity, particularly for a change of polarity, is difficult to achieve in isolated-input amplifiers.

To make the test, choose a moderately low gain setting and with $E$, disconnected, adjust the amplifier zero control to give a zero reading on the null detector. Set the divider to a value equal to the reciprocal of the amplifier gain. Connect $E_{A}$, and set to a value approximately equal to the amplifier's rated output. Adjust the divider to give zero on the null meter. Now, without changing any adjustment, vary the supply voltage and polarity, observing the null meter reading. Dividing the error by the full-scale output will give the nonlinearity as a fraction of full scale (the commonly used rating). The effects of loading can also be readily observed on the null meter (which should have a minimum sensitivity of $\pm \mathbf{1 0} \mathbf{~ m v}$ ).

A particularly bad effect arising from poor plus-to-minus linearity is the addition of the dc component to the output. due to the even-ordered distortion. Thus, if the amplifier is required to handle large ac signalswhether or not the output load responds to them-the resulting zero shift may be large enough to cause a serious error in the lowfrequency data.

## Test for DC Shift

A simple test for the dc shift is shown in Fig. 3. The sine-wave signal is applied through a capacitor to eliminate possible dc output from it. The output signal is averaged by a low-pass filter. After a few seconds of operation, the de level at the filter output is a measure of the distortion. Choose a low to medium gain setting, adjusting the amplifier to zero dc output before applying the sinewave input. The scope is used to monitor the ac output. Choose a frequency of, say, onehalf the bandwidth, and set the input to give an output equal to the maximum rating for the particular frequency:

## Test for Noise

As with common-mode rejection and linearity, there is no practical adjustment to compensate for noise. In practice, the over-all noise also depends on the CMR, but a separate determination of amplifier noise sets a minimum level. The most significant way to measure noise is to simulate a typical source with a shielded resistor, set the amplifier at the maximum anticipated gain, and load the output with the output device normally used (e.g., oscillograph, meter, A/D converter). If


Fig. 3. Set-up for measuring de drift.
the output device is not available, insert a low-pass filter (simple one-section $R C$ ) between the output and a suitable scope or meter. The filter should have a bandwidth approximating that of the typical load device which is likely to be used.
No "Ideal" Amplifier
Serves All Applications
Consider the application carefully in choosing an amplifier, as there is no "ideal" type. The balanced or isolated-input types increase the connection possibilities greatly, but also increase cost and complexity. There are other factors to be considered, also. Among these are general flexibility, performance in up-graded systems at a later date, and completeness of a unit. This latter concerns such matters as self-contained vs group power supplies, and internal vs external means of achieving common-mode rejection

The use of a single power supply for several amplifiers has only two significant advantages: less crowding of the amplifier package, and fewer over-all components. There are several disadvantages:

The module wiring is considerably more complex, lowering the reliability. There is an increased need for the power supply to perform well, since its failure may cause all channels to be lost. Common power supply and wiring impedances can lead to crosstalk, ground loops, or even instability depending on the quantity of amplifiers and individual operating conditions. There is no chance to "float" individual channel outputs.

System performance or power-supply reliability may depend on the number of channels loading the supply. Maintenance and calibration is more difficult and questionable since the amplifiers are not tested with the supply normally used, nor the supply with the load normally used.
After choosing an amplifier type and possible suppliers, perform the suggested test which simulates system requirements. If these tests are insufficient to pick a single unit as preferred, then run full tests and compare performance and guaranteed specs. - -

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## How to Choose Modifiers for Epoxy


#### Abstract

Two previous articles by Mr. Harper (ED, May 10 and July 19) have outlined the basic epoxies and their many curing compounds. In this final article, author Harper tells of the modifiers, fillers and special formulations, such as flexible resins, which round out his presentation of the very large range of possibilities for this versatile electronic material.


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THE DESIGNER who wishes to use the many remarkable qualities of epoxy resins has not only the handful of basic resins and the large number of curing agents listed in the first parts of this series to choose from, he has, in addition, many varieties of modifiers for epoxies.

These modifiers are classed as flexibilizers, diluents, fillers and colorants.

## Epoxy-Polysulfide Blends For

High Impact Strength and Crack-Resistance
Polysulfide flexibilizers such as Thiokol LP-3 are capable of reacting with epoxy resins to produce resilient and flexible highimpact, crack-resistant, cured epoxy-polysulfide end products. Epoxies and polysulfides can be reacted in widely varying proportions to yield considerably varied end properties. An aliphatic amine catalyst is also used in the reaction. Several properties of various epoxy-polysulfide blends are given in Table 1. Note how the properties vary according to the percentage of polysulfide modifier. Polysulfides in an epoxy formulation can easily be detected by a sulfur-like odor. Compound formulators market these compounds as twoor three-package systems.

## Epoxy-Polyamide Blends <br> Provide Range of Flexibility

Polyamide resin flexibilizers of the type marketed by General Mills under the trade name of Versamid represent another type of flexible resin material which is reactive

Table 1. Properties of Epoxy-Polysulfide Blends

| LP.3 <br> Polysulfide | Epolysulfide/Epoxy Blends |  |  |  | Epoxy <br> Resin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $3 / 1$ | $2 / 1$ | $1 / 1$ | $1 / 2$ |  |
| 200 | 100 | 50 | 30 | 10 | - |
| 35 | 50 | 70 | 95 | 98 | 100 |
| 5 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 3.5 | 4.5 | 6 |
| 7.5 | 6.5 | 5.5 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 3.5 |
| 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 |

with epoxy resins and can be blended with rigid epoxy to provide varying degrees of flexibility, again depending upon the blending ratio. One practical difference between the use of polysulfide resins and polyamide resins for blending with epoxies is that the polyamide resins have amine groups in their chemical structure. As this amine group serves as a curing agent for the epoxy resin, chemical reaction starts as soon as the epoxy and the polyamide are blended together.

The commonly used polyamides are Versamid 115 and Versamid 125. Versamid 115
has a viscosity in the range of 80,000 to 120 .000 centipoises at 40 C . Versamid 125 has a viscosity of 40,000 to 60,000 centipoises at $2 \overline{5}$ C. These viscosities are quite a bit higher than the 5,000 to 19,000 values of conventional epoxies and could prove troublesome in potting operations where the epoxy should be able to flow around closely spaced parts. The gain in flexibility must be balanced against the loss of workability. Heating will reduce the viscosity of Versamid modified resin systems, however.
(continucd on $p$ 56)



Delay line (above) in which both coil bobbin and final encapsulation were machine-molded from dry epoxy powders. Motor stator (below) illustrates a more complex part made by machine-molding.


## Machine-Moulding With Epoxies


#### Abstract

Most electronic designers think of epoxies mainly for hand operations-hand pouring (potting), hand dipping, or hand lay-up (laminating). These hand operations require little, if any, tooling or capital equipment and thus fit in ideally with short production runs. However, at least one epoxy formulator claims that machine-molding with epoxy in dry powder form should also be considered by electronic designers, even for relatively short runs.

Paul S. Byrd of the American-Marietta Co., Newark, Ohio, explains that because his company's EMC molding powders become "watery-thin" in the molding operation, they are able to "soft flow" into the molding cavities at moderate temperatures and pressures. This means that inexpensive molds of aluminum, kirksite, copper, or even epoxy, can be used for short production runs, he said. In addition, for electronic applications, the "soft" transfer flow and moderate mold temperatures ( 300 F ) do not disturb the placement or properties of delicate parts. (In this latter respect it may encourage new packaging schemes, he said.)

The main benefit of epoxy machine molding is the possibility of high production rates (each mold cycle takes only 15 sec to $1-1 / 2 \mathrm{~min}$ ), he said. The closer manufacturing tolerances usually associated with machine molding can also be an advantage in some applications.

Mr. Byrd believes that in some cases epoxy molding powders can compete with Diallyl Phthalates. He said that epoxies have shorter molding cycles than DAP and that they can he machined after molding without destroying their surface properties. Machining after molding might be important for finishing potentiometers, motor parts or slip ring assemblies where an embedded conductor must be exposed for a moving electrical contact.




Fig. 1. Effects of various reactive diluents on the viscosity of a basic epoxy resin (Epi-Rez 510).

## Protect Proprietary Designs With Epoxy

An unpublicized use for epoxy is in potting proprietary circuit designs. Wouldbe imitators will have a hard time breaking apart the rugged epoxy encasement without pulverizing the circuit.
Sounds crude? One electronic engineer says this is the main reason he favors epoxy potting for commercial as well as military products. Of course the epoxy must be pigmented, not clear.

Table 2. Properties of Epoxy-Polyamide Blends

| Composition | Ratio | Barcol <br> Hardness | Heat Distortion <br> Temp. F |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Versamid 125: Bakelite ERL 2795 | $40: 60$ | $60-65$ | 122 |
| Versamid 125: Araldite 502 | $30: 70$ | 55.65 | 122 |
| Versamid 125: Araldite 6010 | $30: 70$ | 65.75 | 132 |
| Versamid 125: Epon 815 | $35: 65$ | 65.70 | 144 |

*ASTM D648 (264 psi)

Epoxy compound formulators market epoxy-polyamides as two-package systems. The polyamide can be identified by its distinctive amine (fishy) odor and its viscosity.

Flexible epoxy adhesives are also based on polyamide blends in many instances. Data on several epoxy-polysulfide blends is given in Table 2.

Several other flexibilizing materials which are reactive with epoxy systems are: trimer acids, Cardolite NC-513, and Lancast A. Trimer acids are flexibilizing curing agents, Cardolite is an epoxide type modifier (requiring one of the epoxy curing agents for its cure), and Lancast $\mathbf{A}$ is a reactive modifying agent.

There are numerous other acid or modified acid flexibilizing curing agents. Also, there are numerous unmodified flexible epoxy resins, such as Jones-Daney Epi-Rez 507.

## Diluents Iower

## Viscosities and Cost

Diluents are used with higher viscosity resins primarily to reduce the viscosity for improved working and handling properties. Lower viscosities improve the ability of the resin to impregnate glass reinforcing cloth when the resin is being used for laminating and the ability of the resin to completely fill all voids when used for potting electronic components.

Another reason for adding diluents would be to permit a higher concentration of filler into the compound. The effects of diluents and the fillers can be combined to reduce the cost of embedment compounds.

Both reactive and nonreactive diluents have been proposed for use with epoxies. A reactive diluent is normally desired since it is considered less apt to degrade the cured resin properties. Nonreactive diluents, such as xylene, are used, however, in low concentrations (under 5 to 10 per cent) without degrading the resin so far as electronic packaging uses are concerned. Nevertheless, it is generally conceded that most diluents will to some degree affect the properties of the final cured resin.

A prime consideration for diluents is that they give the maximum viscosity reduction with minimum diluent addition. This will assure better retention of the original epoxy's properties. Fig. 1 shows the effect of several reactive diluents on viscosity. Compatibility of the diluent with the resin and ability of the resulting mixture to wet the fillers are also important considerations.

## Thin Epoxies Their

Own Best Diluent
The most effective reactive diluents are the low viscosity epoxy compounds. Most basic epoxy suppliers also market low viscosity

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resins. They give maximum viscosity reduction, good filler wetting and penetration, and minimum degradation of the properties of the original high-viscosity epoxy. Consequently, formulations involving combinations of high and low viscosity epoxy resins are quite common.

## Fillers and Colorants

## Improve Properties and Appearances

Fillers and colorants are the nonreactive parts of an epoxy system. However this does not mean that they cannot have significant effects upon the final product. Fillers are added for improved crack resistance, improved mechanical properties, increased thermal conductivity, reduced exothermic temperatures, better flame retardancy, and reduced cost of the resin compound. Some general purpose fillers in use are silica, mica and calcium carbonate. Special hollow or spheroid fillers are also used to reduce compound density. Metallic fillers are often used for epoxy tooling compounds. Antimony trioxide is often used as a flame-retardant filler.

Colorants, as the name implies, are used to add colr to resin systems. Most formulated systems incorporate some colorant. The wide range of colors possible, from clear epoxies to bright hues, can be used to advantage by the designer in color-coding equipment.

## Full Use of Epoxy

Qualities Has Not Been Achieved
In the three articles of this series, we have shown the whole picture of this ideal electronic material. It is now up to the designer, knowing something about the breadth of obtainable variations, to ask himself where and how he can put the material to work in his designs. The new formulations, the new design approaches which are constantly appearing should keep him busy. - -

## Acknowledgment

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Power supplies of 2 kw and over usually weigh 200 lb and more and are extremely bulky. This is due primarily to the size and weight of the input transformer. As the power level of the supply goes beyond the $2-\mathrm{kw}$ range, the transformer increases sharply in volume to accommodate the increase in power capacity. Additionally, heating effects pose many problems from the standpoint of materials of construction and installation geometry.

Another disadvantage of existing
power supplies is a necessary loss in efficiency to gain voltage regulation. The regulation is normally accomplished through the use of an impedance or power dissipating network. At high power levels, a small change in voltage can mean a considerable loss of power in the impedance network.

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The Convertron's circuitry allows voltage regulation without the penalty of power loss. The voltage range of the dc output is determined by the "on" time of the SCR switches; increasing it raises the voltage lev-


el of the pulse averaging circuit. The pulse averaging circuit consists basically of inductive and capacitive elements. This is a deviation from the conventional techniques which utilize dissipative elements to produce the desired output voltage. The pulse width is also used to control ripple. The dc output voltage is compared with a standard voltage reference and the error signal is used to control the pulse width of the SCR switching network. Using this technique, units now being tested are capable of regulation accuracy of one per cent. The company has plans to substantially increase the regulation of the output beyond this figure, according to Dr. Wouk.
The SCR switching technique results in improved efficiency because there is very little voltage drop when the SCR's are "on" and therefore low power loss. When the SCR's are "off" there is negligible current flow and therefore negligible power loss. If the line voltage to the unit is increased the amperage drawn from the line is actually decreased.

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General Purpose Control Dept., P.O. Box 2025, Buffalo, N. Y

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 wide range of novel uses in extreme environments. The BR-12P is an especial boon to those designing for both sides of the component card duc to low profile and side header mounting arrangement. A second type, the BR-12K, provides sensitivity down to 20 mw . Both types have contacts rated at dry circuit through 3 amps resistive.
Performance characteristics are generally shared with other types in the BR-12 Series. All are available with activated getter material, providing lifetime prevention of contamination effects at dry circuit to rated current on contacts.


# Inexpensive Paper Capacitor Is Moisture－Resistant 

PAPER tubular capacitors， housed in a three－layer card－ board casing，offer characteris－ tics approaching those of molded capacitors．Use of a solid resin impregnant and a rugged，wax－ free case results in a moisture－ resistant，high－temperature component at very low cost．

Made by Cornell－Dubilier Electronics Div．，Federal Pacif－ ic Electric Co．，Sanford，N．C．， the Jaguar series type PTL ca－ pacitor is available in voltage
ratings up to 1.6 kv ，capaci－ tances from 0.001 to $1.0 \mu \mathrm{f}$ ．Case construction is glossy black kraft paper wound against poly－ ester film and aluminum foil． Accidental contact with a sold－ ering iron will not affect the case．The capacitors will with－ stand a moisture resistance test of more than 48 hours at 95 to 100 per cent relative humidity， temperature 75 C ．Original insu－ lation resistance is 10,000 meg－ $\mu \mathrm{f}$ at $25 \mathrm{C}, 100 \mathrm{meg}-\mu \mathrm{f}$ at 100


Capacitance change and power factor of the PTL Jaguar cardboard tubular capacitor are plotted in re－ lation to temperature．All measurements are made at 1 kc．

C: four hours after moisture testing, insulation resistance is not less than $1 / 3$ the initial value.

Dielectric combination of kraft paper and polyester film impregnated with Dykanol Y resin allows operation over a temperature range of -40 to +125 C with no derating in the wide-tolerance models. In applications requiring temperature stability to $\pm 4^{\circ} \%$ or less, type PTL-W is suitable. A mineral wax impregnant is used; temperature range is -40 to +100 C. with no derating. Both types avoid the leakage problems of oil-filled capacitors.

All ratings will withstana dc potential of 250 per cent of rated voltage applied for 5 sec. and 150 per cent of rated voltage applied at 85 C for $5(\mathrm{~m})$ hours. Units rated at 600 wvde and above are capable of withstanding a flash test of gool v ac. Dissipation factor is less than 1 per cent. Axial leads, 1-1/2 in. long, withstand pull and bending tests.

Standard capacitances range from 0.001 to 1.0 f in series rated at 200,400 , and 600 wvdc . to $0.22 \mu \mathrm{f}$ at 1 kv and $0.047 \mu \mathrm{f}$ at 1.6 kv . Size is $1 / 4 \times 1 \mathrm{in}$. at $0.001 \mu \mathrm{f}, 1 \mathrm{kv}$; the largest unit in the group is $1.0 \mu \mathrm{f}$ at 600 v , measuring $1 \times 2-5 / 8 \mathrm{in}$. With specified tolerance of $\pm 20$ per cent, price per 1,000 units ranges from $\$ 41$ to $\$ 177$. Production quantities are available.

For more information on these paper tubular capacitors, turn to the Reader-Service Card and circle 252.

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Abbreviated Specifications-General Instrument NPN Silicon Plener Teensistors

| Type | $v_{c \infty 0}$ | $v_{c m a}$ | $\mathrm{h}_{\mathbf{H}}$ | $T_{3}$ |
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| 2N706 | $25 v$ | 20 v | 20 | 60 nsec |
| 2N706A | $25 v$ | 20v | 20 | 25 nsec |
| 2N7068 | $25 v$ | 20 v | 20 | 25 nsec |
| 2N708 | 40 v | 20 v | 30 | 25 nsec |

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## WESCON Round Up


#### Abstract

Equipment manufacturers, in response to a questionnaire sent out by Electronic Design, volunteered information on what they thought were outstanding recent developments and what they believe will be the future developments in their fields of endeavor. We have summarized the responses received for several categories of products and, for comparison, listed several products in each category which will actually be shown at WESCON.


THE Cow Palace of San Francisco will soon be the center of attraction for engineers from every part of the U.S.A. Electronic equipment manufacturers will be placing on display there the products which they hope will excite the interest of the industry's leaders.

What will WESCON offer to justify the expenditure of time by many of the industry's leading design engineers and managers? Most of the products they will see will be short of revolutionary but many will feature clever and worthwhile innovations on existing equipment.

The companies' top salesmen and engineers will be there to explain and demonstrate, to all who will stop and listen, the merits of the products they are showing. Customer curiosity will be, to them, an indication of the appeal and marketability of their wares. Indeed, Sangamo Electric Co. changed its evaluation of trade shows quite radically because of the response to its 406 series magnetic tape reproducer-recorder at another show. They had so many engineers watching the demonstration that the aisle was blocked during most of the day. The same unit. with major improvements, will be shown at the current WESCON, Booth 2207-09.

Touring engineers will see what the competition has to offer, new approaches to the solution of problems common to the entire industry and new tools to use in the production of better, more reliable, more us-
able equipment in every field from computers to cable connectors.

In response to a questionnaire sent out by Electronic Design manufacturers outlined what they thought were the outstanding recent developments in their particular lines, and what they felt the future would bring in the way of improvements and pricing. The great majority felt that improved products would cost less in the future. Smaller size, greater reliability and more universal use combined with simpler-to-use, more accessible controls are the goals of the industry's planners. How well they are succeeding and how far they have to go will be evidenced in the wares that they will show.

## Control Equipment

All responses in this category agreed that miniaturization, reliability and flexibility have been the outstanding recent developments in relays, switches, timers, counters and servos. Future development predictions were for increased reliability and further miniaturization. Price trends were indeterminate based on the complexity of the product, but the predominant feeling was that prices would be slightly higher at first cost but lower for the ultimate user due to longer life and reliability which would eliminate repairs and replacement. The Electro-Mechanical Specialties Co. is showing at Booth 1422, a 2 -amp relay that weighs less than 0.017 oz and is 0.275 in . in diam $\times 0.9 \mathrm{in}$.
long. Automatic Electric Co. will feature at Booth 2201-03 their MM-2:2 microminiature dpdt relay which has a life of 10 million operations in dry circuit applications and $\mathbf{1 0 0 , 0 0 0}$ cycles at 3 amp . The type A switching relay shown for the first time at Booth $2502-04$ by North Electric Co. has a life of 30 million cycles and an operate time as fast as 3 msec . Trans-Sonics, Inc., Booth 4414, has developed a pressure potentiometer which will deliver a 75-v output without amplification.

## Semiconductors

The recent introduction of the epitaxial process is the choice of all as the outstanding recent development in the semiconductor field. Four-layer devices, particularly controlled rectifiers, were also mentioned as being in the fore of exciting developments. Faster devices with lower noise and more reliability are the goals of the semiconductor people. They would also like to see the early development of units capable of combining higher frequencies and power in one device.

Motorola, Booth 914-16, has developed pnp epitaxial transistors which handle $1 / 2 \mathrm{amp}$ at switching speeds of a few sec. A highspeed silicon planar switching transistor by Fairchild Semiconductor is rated at $300-\mathrm{mw}$ power and can be seen at Booth 814-16. A multiple diode for computer logic circuits by Delta Semiconductors, Inc., Booth 4512, consists of five separate diode junctions formed on a single silicon slice. The entire circuit is glass encapsulated.

## Telemetry

Improved reliability, pem circuits and radically new space instruments have caught the eye of the telemetry manufacturers. The consensus of opinion indicates that new approaches to transducer design and data handling are the improvements they will try for in the near future.

On hand at Booth 312 will be a receiverdecoder by Babcock Electronics which has up to 20 IRIG channels for remotely controlling missiles and pilotless aircraft. Up to six channels can be used simultaneously. Telemetry modules by Lockheed Missile Space Co., Booth 2711-15, are welded into their circuits and will stand severe temperature, shock and vibration environments. An inflatable, helical telemetry antenna, shown at Booth 182, weighs less than 10 lb and can be put into use with a hand pump. Manufactured by the Andrew Corp., it has a vswr
of less than 1.5 to 1 over the range of 215 to 265 mc .

## Test Equipment

Improvements in performance, particularly in accuracy and stability have been the outstanding contributions to the test equipment field according to the producers of these units. With the introduction of many semiconductor test instruments, manufacturers no longer have to improvise their own test equipment. The extension of electronic frequency modulation techniques to audio frequencies continues the trend established at hf and whf in eliminating the older mechanical modulating systems. Future developments are expected to include greater reliability and capabilities.

An increase is looked for in the amount of information which can be made available automatically by instrumentation.

Sierra Electronic Corp. is offering at Booth 2006 -08 a frequency selective voltmeter which covers a range of 2 to 350 kc . A digital multimeter shown at Booth 3610 by Adage measures dc and ac absolute voltages for missile checkout. Atlantis Electronics Corp.'s semiconductor tester, shown at Booth 4508 , will perform 12 tests in 0.6 sec on either diodes or transistors. All control functions can be remotely operated in the volt-ohmmeter which Non-Linear Systems, Inc., will show at Booth 1518-20. It is accurate to $=0.01 \%$ $\pm 1$ digit.

## Power Supplies

The continuing displacement of vacuumtube types by solid-state designs, including the increasing use of scr's and the packaging of more and more power into smaller and smaller size units seem to be outstanding developments in this category. Close regulation also demands the respect of a good segment of the manufacturers. For the future, the prediction is that the use of tunnel diodes will be explored in various types of microminiature power supplies.

The Thermador Electrical Manufacturing Co., Booth 1811, has a precision 800 -cps inverter which is regulated to $\pm 4 \mathrm{cps}$ for all changes of line, load or temperature.

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## Featuring those to be displayed at WESCON

Covering all new products generally specified by engineers designing electronic origina equipment. Use the Reader-Service Card for more information on any product. Merely circle number corresponding to that appearing at the top of each description.


## Electro-Optical Potentiometer Offers Frictionless Pick-Off

Virtually unlimited life is claimed for the Betapot electro-optical potentiometer. Frictionless, torqueless operation makes the device ideal for gyro systems requiring negligible drift. Resolution is infinite, contact noise absent. Photoconductive material used for the resistance element is CdS or CdSe, with light-to-dark conductivity ratios ranging from $10^{n}$ to $10^{n}: 1$.

Duncan Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 2865 Fairview Road, Costa Mesa, Calif
P\&A: Less than 100: samples, Sept. 1961
See at Show Booth 808.


## Switching Time Tester <br> Provides Scope Readout

Automatic switching time test set model 205 covers times of 1 nsec to $1 \mu \mathrm{sec}$. An oscilloscope is provided for ease in setup and for observing switching waveform. Bandwidth is 800 mc. Go, no-go lights are incorporated for rapid checking. Test circuit uses rf connectors for best transmission of fast pulses.

Wiltron Co., Dept. ED, 717 Loma Verde Ave. Palo Alto, Calif.
P\&A: $\$ 3,800$ : 7 ureeks
See at Show Booth 1212

## Frequency Comparator 258 For Process Control

Solid-state frequency comparator type $35-2001$ is used in process systems where the parameter to be controlled can be expressed as a frequency. Input frequency range is 1 to $50,000 \mathrm{cps}$. Parameters such as rpm, flow rate. temperature, pressure, force, and acceleration can be accommodated. Output signal can be used to drive a control device.
Daystrom-Wiancko Engineering Co., Dept. ED, 255 N. Halstead, Pasadena, Calif.
P\&A: \$755: 8 weeks.
See at Show Booth 2911.

## The "space saver" of Tantalytic* Capacitors

Because it packs the most uf into the smallest package, the General Electric 62F510 Porous Anode Tantalytic Capacitor frees up valuable circuit space. It's the smallest ( $.075^{\prime \prime} \times .250^{\prime \prime}$ ), lightest ( 15 grams ) 85C tantalum capacitor.

Though small, it provides more V-uf than larger units. In fact, it has almost four times greater volumetric efficiency than the smallest solid type.

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But it offers superior reliability because of these special features:

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Ask your G-E Sales Engineer about the five case sizes rated from 60 V (2.5uf) to 6 V (325uf). Or write for bulletin GEA-7008 to General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y. Capacitor Dept., Irmo, S. C.

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Weldmatic Div./Unitek Corp., Dept. ED, 950 Royal Oaks Drive, Monrovia, Calif.
P\&A: $\$ 4,750 ; 90$ days.
See at Show Booth 1808-10.


## NPN Epitaxial Transistor

348 Operates Beyond 600 MC

Silicon npn epitaxial mesa transistor 2N707A is said to offer a $60 \%$ improvement in gain-bandwidth product over existing types. Collector-base voltage rating is 70 v , power dissipation 1 w . Capable of oscillating at frequencies in excess of 600 mc the device is intended for whf oscillator and Class C amplifier applications. Collector saturation voltage is $0.18 \mathrm{\vartheta}$, collector capacitance 4 pf.
Motorola Semiconductor Products Inc., Technical Information Center, Dept. ED, 5005 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix 8, Ariz.
P\&A: $\$ 15$ ea, 100 to 999; stock.
See at Show Booth 914-16.

## DC Power Supply <br> Has Dual Outputs

Transistor de power supply model TQ35-2 has dual output voltages continuously variable from 0 to 35 v dc, 0 to 2 amp , each side. Each is independent: outputs may be added to give a range of 0 to 75 v at 2 amp . Regulation is held to 7 mv per $10 \%$ line change, and 7 mv no-load to full-load. Ripple is less than $500 \mu \mathrm{v}$ rms. Two ammeter and one voltmeter which may be switched to either output are mounted on the 5-1/4 in. panel.
U'niversal Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 1720 22nd St., Santa Monica, Calif.
Price: $\$ 575$.
See at Show Booth 807.


PUTTING MAGNETICS TO WORK


## How to shrink a filter!

Magnetics Inc. "120" solves the problem of core size vs. inductance in miniaturized circuits

Trying to squeeze high core inductance into a small space for use in miniaturized resonance, filter, audio, or carrier frequency circuits usually ends in a compromise. You either force more out of al smaller core, or you use a larger one. Not so, however, if you're familiar with the Magnetics Inc. " 120 ."
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More information on this and other cores in the Magnetics Inc. line is contained in design bulletin PC-203 R. It's yours by writing Magnetics Inc., Department ED-9I, Butler, Pertusylvania.

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## Tape Recorder



Concentric reel instrumentation tape recorder model M-101 has a dual-differential capstan drive system. Transport handles standard $10-$ $1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. NAB and precision reels with the option of $1 / 4-1 / 2$-, or $1-\mathrm{in}$. tape. Tape speeds up to 60 ips are available. Typical wow and flutter is $0.1 \%$ rms at 15 ips . Made for rack mounting. unit measures $19 \times 12-1 / 4 \times 14-1 / 2$ in

American Concertone, Inc., Dept. ED, 9449 W. Jefferson Blvd., Culver City, Calif.

See at Show Booth 121.

## Commutation Switch

Handling 180 channels of information with a plate $1-3 / 4 \mathrm{in}$. in diameter, this switch can be operated up to 1.800 rpm . Unit is designed for telemetry applications in adverse environments. Contacts are gold plated. Noise level is less than 1 mv when $5-\mathrm{v}$ signals are switched into a 150 -ohm load.

Mycalex Corp., Dept. ED, 125 Clifton Blvd. Clifton, N. J.

See at Show Booth 902-04.

## Four-Element Meter



Four independent inputs are measured by this meter for readout or comparison. Called the Quad-Indicator, the instrument can be supplied with or without lighting. Self-shielded, coaxial movements are as sensitive as $100 \mu$ a. Rectangular, panel-mounted unit measures $3 \times$ $2.75 \times 3.25 \mathrm{in}$.

Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Precision Meter Div., Dept. ED, Grenier Field, Manchester, N. H.
Availability: made to order only.
See at Show Booth 3501-07.

## Electro-Optical Components



Printed-circuit mounting electro-optical components, known as Raysistors, measure 1.94 x $0.37 \times 0.40$ in. types CK1101P and CK1111P switch 300 and 60 v with closed-circuit resistances of 13 and 0.6 K respectively. Types CK11.02P through CK1112P serve as variable resistances, and have control voltages up to 10 v .
Raytheon Co., Industrial Components Div., Dept. ED, 55 Chapel St., Newton 58, Mass. PRA: $\$ 7.35$ for 25 to 100; from stock.
See at Show Booth 3404-22.

## Conductive Molding Compound

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Thermosetting plastic material called Diall 1610 is a conductive molding compound with electrical resistance less than $1 / 2$ ohm per cm . The material can be electroplated. The compound is available in granular form for compression or transfer molding at 500 to 2,000 psi. Cure time is 2 min .
Mesa Plastics Co., Dept. ED, 12270 Nebraska Ave., Los Angeles 25, Calif.
See at Show Booth 5021 .

## Oscilloscope Camera



Interchangeable camera backs and lenses permit recording of oscilloscope traces on Polaroid or standard films, in sizes from $4 \times 5 \mathrm{in}$. to 35 mm , with object-to-image ratio ranges from $1: 1$ to $1: 0.222$. Sliding back with detented lock enables spaced multiple exposures per frame. Synchro shutters allow remote arming of scopes for single sweeps.
Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, Dept. ED, 750 Bloomfield Ave., Clifton, N. J.
See at Show Booth 1614-20.

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Range is 2,200 to $2,300 \mathrm{mc}$. Type 1090 transmitter converter provides an output of 9 w when driven by a standard telemetry transmitter having a range of 215 to 260 mc . Gain is unity with up to 6 w into 50 ohms at 500 v dc or 2 db with up to 9 w into 50 ohms at $1,000 \mathrm{v}$ dc.

American Bosch Arma Corp., Tele-Dynamics Div., Dept. ED, 5000 Parkside Ave., Philadelphia, Pa .
Availability: in samples.
See at Show Booth 4126-28.

## Portable Electrocardiograph

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Self-contained portable electrocardiograph called Cardioview is enclosed by a leather carrying case which contains all accessories. The unit is powered by a rechargeable battery. Chart speeds are 5,25 , and 50 mm per sec. A hotstylus pen volatises wax-paper surface to produce a dark black line. Amplifier, transistorized, has a response of dc to $60 \mathrm{cps}, \pm 3 \mathrm{db}$. Carrying case measures $9-3 / 4 \times 4-1 / 2 \times 7 \mathrm{in}$.

New Electronic Products Lid.. MinneapolisHoneywell Regulator Co., Dept. ED, 2747 Fourth Ave., South, Minneapolis 8, Minn.
See at Show Booth 3:01-07.

## Precision Fluxmeter



Accurate within 10 ppm. Fluxmeter model 611, with readout and remote control provision, can measure fields with an accuracy to 1 part in 10. Four standard probes cover the 500 - to 30,000 -gauss range. The instrument can be used as a control unit to regulate a magnetic field. Fie!ds need not be homogeneous for measuresent. Special probes are available.
The J. C. Carter Co., Dept. ED, 671 W. 17th St., Costa Mesa, Calif.

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Dynamic evaluation of silicon-controlled rectifiers is provided by the model OA-1 test set. Instrument measures forward breakover voltage and gate current to fire at any anode voltage. forward and reverse leakage current, voltage drop and holding current. Power supplies have limiting load resistors, and are rated to 600 v , 10 amp .
Baird-Atomic, Inc., Dept. ED, 33 L゙niversity Road. Cambridge 38. Mass.
Arailability: from stock in October
See at Show Booth 3i20-22.

## Digital Oscilloscope

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Automatic digital oscilloscope model 51000 has all-solid-state circuitry and 10 -me vertical bandwidth. Sweep speed, vertical sensitivity, positioning, and triggering are automatic. Vertical sensitivity and horizontal sweep speed are indicated digitally on Nixie readouts. De positioning is calibrated. with offset displayed on disital readout. U'nit measures $8-3 / 4 \times 14 \times$ 22-1/2 in.
California Instruments Corn., Dept. ED, 3511 Midway Drive, San Diego, Calif.
P\&A: about $\$ 1.500$; from stock on October
See at Show Booth $4+12$.
Spectrum Analyzer


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Alden Electronic \& Impulse Recording Equip ment Co., Inc., Dept. ED, Westboro, Mass.
See at Show Booth 4314 .

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Availability: made to order only.
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706
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Gates Radio Co. Dept. ED, Quincy, Ill.
See at Show Booth 514 .

## Magnetic Shield

For use with a crt, this magnetic shield can be furnished in sizes from 5 to 21 in . to fit tubes of various shapes and sizes. It is basically a thin laminar metallic enclosure to provide protection from nearby magnetic fields and other spurious electromagnetic influences.

General Dynamics/Electronics Information Technology Div., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 2449, San Diego 12. Calif.

See at Show Booth 201-03.

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Size 11 synchro resolver has a built-in dual buffer amplifier to stabilize resolver operations. This arrangement improves signal-tonoise ratio and eliminates the need for chassis mounting of electronics.
General Precision, Inc., Kearfott Div., Dept. ED, 1150 McBride Ave., Little Falls, N. J.

See at Show Booth 3309-21.


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Jonathon Electronics Corp., Dept. ED. 720 E. Walnut St., Fullerton, Calif.

See at Show Booth 4830.

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574
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Cobehn, Inc., Dept. ED, 226 Passaic Ave., Caldwell, N. Y.
P\&A: about $\$ 5,750$; made to order.
See at Show Booth 4824.

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Technical Devices Co., Dept. ED, 11242 Playa Court, Culver City, Calif.

See at Show Booth 4802.

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See at Show Booth 1614-20.

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International Electronic Research Corp., Dept. ED, 135 W. Magnolia Blvd., Burbank, Calif.
P\&A: $\$ 1.05$ to \$0.50; from stock.
See at Show Booth 1501.05.
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Kelsey-Hayes Co., Utica Drop Forge \& Tool Div., Dept. ED, L'tica 4, N. Y.

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705
Size 8 servo motors eliminate the need for damping tachometers. Theoretical acceleration is 130,000 radians per sec ${ }^{-}$; no-load speed is $10,000 \mathrm{rpm}$; stall torque is 0.35 min ; maximum output power is 0.6 w .

Daystrom, Inc., Transicoil Div., Dept. ED. Worchester, Pa.
Availability: 55 to 90 days.
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## Power Resistors

711
From $0.05 \%$ to $3 \%$ tolerances are available for this series of power resistors. Wattage ratings are from 5 to 11 w at 25 C , and resistances range from 10 ohms to 200 K . Temperature coefficient is 20 ppm per C between -55 and - 350 C. MIL specs are met.

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Miniature ratio box model RB-521, an autotapped transformer, offers a ratio range of (0) to 1.111 at 50 to $3,000 \mathrm{cps}$ with an accuracy of 10 ppm . Device is made for calibrating resolvers, synchros, and related components in ground support equipment. Unit measures 3$3 / 16 \times 2-7 / 8 \mathrm{in}$.

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Southco Div., South Chester Corp., Dept. ED, Lester, Pa

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605
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612
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NEWARK. N. J.: PHILADELPHIA. PA.; SEATTE, WABH. IN CANADA: ABBEY NEWARK, N. J.: PHILADELPHIA.


The new Borg 3000 Series concentric-scale Microdial is a $1^{\prime \prime}$ diameter, ten-turn, precision turns-counting dial. Ideal companion units for the $7 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ Borg 2100 Series and 2440 Series Micropot ${ }^{\circ}$ potentiometers, these dials can be mounted on $11 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ centers - 40 brakeless models would fit conveniently on this page! of The 3000 Microdial offers the instrument designer functional color-keying versatility and distinctive panel enrichment. Five brake knob colors and three combinations of numeral and background colors are standard. Custom treatment can be given to control knobs, brake knobs, numeral configuration and color. gj Despite miniaturization, the 3000 Microdial is easy to read and offers the same smooth, silent gear action inherent with all Borg Microdial Series. Contact your nearest Borg technical representative, distributor or write for complete data.
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## Test Equipment

Clean, functional styling is featured in this line of test instruments, including vtvm's, vom's, vswr indicators, rf power meters, and signal generators operating from hf to shf frequencies. Cabinets with low silhouettes have foldaway handles. Units have wind-up power cords. Panel meters are large and recessed.

Borg-Warner Controls, Dept. ED, P. O. Box 1679, Santa Ana, Calif.

See at Show Booth 2717-21.

Fault Indicator


Miniature magnetic latch-in fault indicator. model HCM $3 / 4$, is held permanently in off position until it receives an energizing signal. when it switches to on position, where it remains until reset. Indicating flag may be imprinted or color-coded. Indication is maintained under 500 cps vibration at 10 g .
Minneapolis-Honeywell, Precision Meter Div., Dept. ED, Grenier Field. Manchester, N. H.
Availability: 30 to 60 days.
See at Show Booth 3501-07.

## Digital Oscilloscope

A 35-mc general-purpose oscilloscope, modei 425 accepts a variety of plug-ins. It has direct digital readout on both axes, plus universal controls for one-hand positioning of wave forms. The instrument can be used as an analog-to-digital converter.
Allen B. DuMont Laboratories, Dept. ED. 750 Bloomfield Ave., Clifton, N. J.

See at Show Booth 1614-20.

## Convergence Coils

For crt use. Convergence coils are solenoids which produce a magnetic field to return the crt magnetic beam exactly to the tube axis. Originally designed for use with the firm's Charactron tubes, they can be supplied for a variety of tubes having a $2-\mathrm{in}$. neck diameter.

General Dynamics/Electronics, Information Technology Div., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 2449, San Diego 12. Calif.

See at Show Booth 201-03.
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## ELECTRON TUBE NEWS from SYLVANIA



If you've been seeking tubes with an optimum combination of high performance, resistance to environmental stresses, genuine interchangeability, small size / weight, assured reliability . . . let Sylvania shorten your search.

Few devices can fill those requirements so impressively as these five new Gold Brand Subminiature Tubes featuring Strap Frame Grids... Sylvania-7962. 7963, 8070, 8071, SR-2662A. Here's why -

HIGH PERFORMANCE - Sylvania Strap Frame Grid design significantly improves tube characteristics for Gm, Gm:Ib, gain, bandwidth, and noise. (Fig. 1)
ELECTRICAL STABILITY-rugged Strap Frame Grids retain precise physical dimensions and, therefore, electrical stability, over an exceedingly long, useful life. Specially designed heaters tolerate wide voltage variations of $\pm 10 \%$ of specified ratings. Too, Gold Brand Subminiature types exhibit an inherent resiliency to plate and screen voltage surges.

DURABILITY
Shock-Sylvania Gold Brand Subminiature Tubes are designed to withstand impact acceleration tests of 500 g and fatigue tests of 2.5 g for periods of 96 hours.
Radiation - they demonstrate remarkable resistance to radiation effects, tolerate dose rates of $10^{12} \mathrm{nv}$, total dosage of $10^{18} \mathrm{nvt}$.
Temperature - not susceptible to thermal runaway, they perform at ambient bulb temperatures of as high
as $220^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, withstand prolonged storage temperatures. INTERCHANGEABILITY - exceptionally low dispersion of characteristics (electrical uniformity) from tube to tube within a given type offers genuine interchangeability without costly preselection and testing. RELIABILITY - several authoritative, documented examples of reliability under field and laboratory conditions are cited on the following page.

##  FEATURE STRAP FRAME gRIIS



| FIG. 1 average characteristics |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 7863 \\ & \text { ceuble } \\ & \text { criode } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\substack{8070 \\ \text { triode }}}{ }$ | 8071 <br> triode |  |  | Units |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \mathrm{El} \\ & \mathrm{II} \\ & \mathrm{~Eb} \\ & \mathrm{Ra} \\ & \mathrm{ID} \\ & \mathrm{Cm} \\ & \mathrm{~cm} \mathrm{mid} \\ & \mathrm{mu} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 6.3 \\ & 235 \\ & 60 \\ & 200^{\circ} \\ & 9.0^{\circ} \\ & 9.500^{\circ} \\ & 1.055^{\circ} \\ & 20^{\circ} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 63 \\ & 350 \\ & 100 \\ & 270^{\circ} \\ & 7.5^{\circ} \\ & 13.000^{\circ} \\ & 1.70^{\circ} \\ & 40^{\circ} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 6.3 125 110 -- 9.0 11,000 1.222 58 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 6.3 \\ & 125 \\ & 150 \\ & 100 \\ & 130 \\ & 13.000 \\ & 1.000 \\ & 55.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 26.5 \\ & 90 \\ & 55 \\ & -7 . \\ & \hline 9.0 \\ & 9.00 \\ & 1.80 \\ & 20^{\circ} \end{aligned}$ |  | $V$ <br> ma <br> Ohms <br> ma <br> umhos <br> رmhos:mA |
| meitar.matenter Conditions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Gain } \\ & \text { BW } \\ & \text { EF } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 14.8^{\circ} \\ & 8.0^{\circ} \\ & 4.0^{\circ} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 15.1^{\circ} \\ & 9.5^{\circ} \\ & 4.0^{\circ} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17.5 \\ & 11.8 \\ & 4.4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 14.0 \\ 9.5 \\ 7.2 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 21^{\circ} \\ & 8.5^{\circ} \\ & 6.4^{\circ} \end{aligned}$ | db mc db |

## Sylvania-7963, medium-mu double triode

For use as an RF or pre-IF amplifier in missiles, radar, radiosonde and beacon receivers, telemetering equipment or as a blocking tube oscillator. It's a high-performance version of the generalpurpose 6021 with higher heater power and huskier cathode. Per section: Gm is $13,000 \mu \mathrm{mhos}, \mathrm{Gm}: \mathrm{Ib}$ is 1,730 .

Sywania-7962, medium-mu double triode . . .
Featuring very low heater power of 0.7 W per section, low Eb of 30 V per section. It's designed for application as an RF or pre-IF amplifier or multivibrator in conjunction with low $\mathrm{B}^{+}$supplies. Per section: Gm is $9,500 \mu$ mhos $(80 \%$ higher than conventional prototypes), Gm : Ib is 1,055 .

## Sylvania-8070, high-mu triode . . .

Draws only 125 mA (a) 6.3 V heater power. It's used as an RF amplifier in communication equipment, pre-IF amplifier in navigational radar and beacon receivers, telemetering receivers. Gm is $11,000 \mu$ mhos, $G \mathrm{~m}: \mathrm{Ib}$ is 1,222 . 8070 provides 2.5 db better gain than usually encountered in present high-performance types.

## Sylvania-8071, high-mu VHF triode . . .

Is the industry's first subminiature tube for grounded grid amplifier applications. It offers very low heater power of 125 mA "/ 6.3 V , as much as $50 \%$ less than types with comparable $\mathbf{G m}$ and Ib . Gm is $13,000 \mu$ mhos. 8071 exhibits a 2.5 to 7 db gain improvement, 1.5 to 4 db noise improvement at 480 mc than normally encountered with popular grounded-grid RF amplifier types.

## Syivania SR-2662A, medium-mu VHF double triode . .

Features 26.5V heater and plate operation. Designed for use as a cathode-follower or RF amplifier-mixer in hybrid systems. In airborne or mobile equipment using a 26.5 V energy source, SR-2662A eliminates the need for special plate and heater supply circuits. enhancing equipment compactness and reliability. Per section, Gm is $9,000 \mu \mathrm{mhos}$.
Examine the extraordinary performance advantages of Sylvania Strap Frame Grid Subminiature Tubes for your design. Ask your Sylvania Sales Engineer for full information, or write for technical data to Electronic Tubes Division, Sylvania Electric Products Inc. 1100 Main St., Buffalo 9, N. Y.

# How to predict reliability of <br> end-equipment! 



FIG. 4

6111 Survival curve for inopera tives through 15.000 hours 15.000 hours (

A laboratory-proven design transferred to production line -then to actual field-use-may sometimes perform in an unexpected, erratic manner. Yet Management and Military are demanding increased assurances of reliability How do you solve the dilemma for your design? One way: specify components offering documented, fieldproven reliability.
Take the case for tubes. Tests by ARINC Research Corp. ${ }^{*}$ illustrate the dramatic improvements in tube reliability since 1954. The results of tests conducted aboard naval vessels show a combined tube removal rate of $15 \%$ per 1000 hours in 1954. By 1960 this figure dropped to $1.2 \%$ for miniature tubes and a remarkable $0.19 \%$ for subminiature tubes. All the controlled subminiature types were Sylvania tubes.*
Survival tests by Sylvania (Figs. 3 \& 4) on Gold Brand Subminiature types 5718 and 6111 demonstrate similar outstanding results. Sylvania-5718. UHF medium-mu triode, shows better than $90 \%$ survival at 12.00 ) hours. Sylvania-6111, medium-mu double triode, shows an average decline in Gm of only $2.4 \%$ per 100() hours and bet ter than $90 \%$ tube survival at 12.000 hours.
Further quantitative measure of reliability is provided by Sylvania acceptance criteria for Gold Brand Subminia ture Tubes. Based on the average number of cumulative failures per $1(\mathcal{X})$ hours for a 5 -lot moving average. instead of the customary 1 -lot. it offers a stringent control over an exceptionally wide range of production. And, it provides a highly accurate basis for statistical prediction of \% failure rate in $\operatorname{I(M)}$ ) lube hours.
If you're being asked to predict reliahility of your military or industrial design, call upon the expert assistance of Sylvania. Your Sylvania Sales Engineer will gladly supply detailed documentation of Gold Brand Subminiature Tube reliability.
*Sylvania-5636, 5644, 5647, 5718, 5719, 5840, 5899, 5902
The suhminiature tubes were use-tested in SRR-13A receivers. +Courtesy ARINC Research Corp. as published in publication $=101-28-166,=101-26-160$

## MICROWAVE DEVICE NEWS from SYLVANIA

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Low Cost, High Performance PPMFOCUSED TWT's
for operation from 1 to 12Gc

Now available from Sylvania - a new family of traveling wave tubes designed for highperformance microwave amplifier applications where economy, compactness, light weight are vital design considerations.

Less than 4 lbs . in weight and $21 / 4^{\text {" }}$ in maximum diameter, these TWT's present unusual opportunities for compact design of such endproducts as microwave test equipment. No electrical performance is sacrificed in attaining these advantages over bulky, 12-16 lb. solenoid types. In addition, they are priced at less than $\$ 1,000$ each in quantity.

For further information contact your nearest Sylvania Sales Engineering Office, or write Electronic Tubes Division, Sylvania Electric Products Inc., 1100 Main St., Buffalo 9, N. Y.

| Frequency Range (Gc) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sylumia } \\ & \text { Type } \end{aligned}$ | Power Output | Min. <br> Gain (dB) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1-2 | TW. 4267 | 15mW | 35** |
| 1.2 | TW. 4268 | 1W | 30* |
| 2.4 | TW-4261 | 10 mW | 35** |
| 2.4 | TW-4260 | 1 w | 30* |
| 48 | TW. 4281 | 10 mW | 35** |
| 48 | TW. 4278 | 1W | 30 * |
| 8-12 | TW-4282 | 5 mW | $35 *$ |
| 8-12 | TW. 4273 | 1w | 30* |



Hewlett-Packard specified Sylvania TWT in the new versatile 1 -Watt amplifiers, Models 489A ( 1 to 2 Gc ) and 491C ( 2 to 4 Gc ).


## Zener Diodes



Cover 3.9 to 33 v. Rated at 250 mw , types 1N1313 to 1320 subminiature glass Zener diodes cover 8.2 to 33 v ; types 1 N 1927 to 1937 cover 3.9 to 27 v . Temperature coefficient is $0.06 \tau_{c}$ per deg $C$ and impedance is to 8 ohms at 10 ma . Both $5 \%$ and $10 \%$ tolerances can be furnished.

International Rectifier Corp., Dept. ED, 233 Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif.
P\&A: 11.93 to \$.3.60: stock.
See at Show Booth 1701-03.

## Mounting Blocks

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Of beryllium oxide. These mounting blocks insulate components electrically while providing a path for heat flow away from them In some cases, blowers and other cooling devices can be eliminated.

National Beryllia Corp., Dept. ED, First \& Haskell Aves., Haskell, N. J.
See at Show Booth 4624.

## Telephone Pickup Coil

To eliminate stray hum pickup. This telephone pickup coil is for use with high-impedance input tape recorders, amplifiers and dictating machines used in transcribing telephone conversations. Model HP-71 is with a molded phone plug and model HP-70, without.

Microtran Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 145 E. Mine ola Ave., Valley Stream. N. Y.
Price: $\$ 7.50$ and $\$ 6.95$.
See at Show Booth 911
Time-Delay Relay 477


For up to 5 amp with spdt or dpdt contacts. Type B hydraulic-magnetic time-delay relay can have delays of $1 / 4$ to 120 sec . Snap-action contacts are completely enclosed. A continuousduty coil is used. The relay can be furnished for ac or dc operation.

Heinemann Electric Co., Dept. ED, 229 Magnetic Drive., Trenton 2, N. J.
Availability: sample quantities by September.
See at Show Booth 3701-3703.


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Heinemann Electric Co., Dept. ED, 229 Magnetic Drive, Trenton 2, N. J
Availability: sample quantities, September.
See at Show Booth 3701-03.
Magnetically Held Switches


DPDT magnetically held switches, type 6ET1T are sealed momentary-action toggle switches with a built-in solenoid. The solenoid permits conversion to a maintained-contact type switch and provides remote electrical release of the toggle.

Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., MicroSwitch Div., Dept. ED, Freeport, Ill.
See at Show Booth 3501-07.

## FM Transmitter



Rated at 12 w , type 1009 fm transmitter covers 215 to 260 mc . It has a $0.01 \%$ crystalstabilized carrier. Sensitivity is 0.01 v per kc; modulation range is 20 cps to 100 kc . The rf power output can be increased to 20 w with plate voltage input. Volume is 37.5 cu in .
American Bosch Arma Corp., Tele-Dynamics Div., Dept. ED, 5000 Parkside Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
Availability: samples.
See at Show Booth 4126-28.

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Carbon Potentiometers


Rating is $\mathbf{3} / \mathbf{4} \mathbf{w}$. Model N hot-molded carbon composition potentiometers have rotation of 300 $\pm 3 \mathrm{deg}$ with a rotational torque of $502-\mathrm{in}$. They meet environmental and test requirements of MIL-R-94B. Units with lock bushing or standard shaft can be furnished.
Globe-Union Inc., Centralab Electronics Div. Dept. ED, 900 E. Keefe Ave., Milwaukee 1, Wis 4vailability: stock.
See at Show Booth 920-22.
Tuning Fork Oscillator
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Output is 10 w. Series DFO-71 tuning fork oscillator has less than $5 \%$ harmonic distortion in the range of 60 to $6,500 \mathrm{cps}$. Frequency tolerance is $\pm 0.005 \%$ to $\pm 0.04 \%$. depending on temperature and frequency. The unit uses silicon semiconductors and is encapsulated in a package $2 \times 6 \times 5$ in.

Delta-F, Inc., Dept. EI), 113 E. State St., Geneva. III.
Availability: 6 to 7 weeks.
See at Show Booth 4503.

## Power Supply



Output is 24 to 30 v de at 35 amp max. Model EA-267 power supply has a regulation of $\pm 0.1 \%$ for line changes of $\pm 10 \%$ with constant load, $\pm 1 \%$ for load changes of 2 to 35 amp . Input is 208 v нс, 60 cps , three-phase. Ripple is 100 mv max. Mil specs are met.
Thermador Electrical Manufacturing Co., Div. of Norris-Thermador Corp., Dept. ED, 715 S. Raymond Ave., Alhambra, Calif.
P\&A: \$2,870; 4 weeks.
See at Show Booth 1811.

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Miniature series 302PB1 pushbutton switches maintain operation when the button is depressed and released with the operating mechanism assuming a nonoperative position the second time the button is depressed. Series 302LT indicators are similar in appearance.

Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Micro Switch Div., Dept. ED, Freeport, Ill.
See at Show Booth 3501-07.

## Connector Blocks



Permit solderless connection between chassis and terminal-card modules. Crossover connector blocks mount to the underside of the chassis and hold circuit cards carrying all interconnections. Circuits may be printed, etched or wired.

Alden Products Co., Dept. ED, 117 N. Main
St., Brockton, Mass.
Availability: stock.
See at Show Booth 4219.

Axial-Lead Resistors


Wirewound, military-grade axial-lead resistor types RW67, 68 and 69 have resistance ranges of 0.1 to $3.6 \mathrm{~K}, 8.2 \mathrm{~K}$ and 910 ohms. Temperature coefficient is 20 ppm per deg C. Tolerance is $\pm 5 \%$.

Ohmite Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 3646 Howard St., Skokie, III.
See at Show Booth 1601-03.



## New Hamilton Standard steam-proof inverter designed to meet rugged secondary power requirements in ambients to $150^{\circ}$ F...shocks to 50G's

A new solid-state inverter has been developed by Hamilton Standard to meet the full range of combat conditions in tanks and other ordnance vehicles. This unit is the result of a comprehensive development program in which the primary design criteria were exceptional reliability in temperatures as high as $150^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ and dependable performance despite shocks to SOG's and constant vibration.
Rated at $18-30 \mathrm{~V}$ DC input; $115+5,-3 \vee \mathrm{AC}$ output. the inverter operates at 400 cycles $\pm 1 \%$ and in ambients from $-65^{\circ} \mathbf{F}$ to $+150^{\circ} F$. The unit is silent, fully silicontransistorized, and utilizes conservatively rated components throughout. It is completely sealed against water, dirt, dust
.... and impervious even to steam cleaning. Because the inverter is self-enclosed, internal temperatures may attain 285 F , yet performance is unaffected.

Although designed specifically for tanks, this static inverter suits power requirements for a variety of ordnance vehicles. It is an ideal power supply for gyros, servos, control motors, and power computers in such vehicles as: weapon or personnel carriers, missile launchers, tank destroyers, and gun directors.

An illustrated static power conversion guide is available on request. For your copy, write: Hamilton Standard Electronics Section 120, Broad Brook, Connecticut.

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Dissipation is 150 mw , saturation voltage is 0.05 v and gain bandwidth product is $f_{\ell}$ of 150 mc. Type 2N2048 switching transistor is designed for applications in saturated switching circuits in high-speed computer logic and automation equipment.

Philco Corp., Lansdale Div., Dept. ED, Lansdale, Pa .
P\&.A: \$1.32; stock.
See at Show Booth 919-21.

Indicator Lights


Water-tight indicator lights type 177-8430971 have two $1 / 16$-in. neoprene retained O-ring seals. Units measure $1-3 / 16$ in. in overall length and mount in single $15 / 32-i n$. clearance holes. They are fully insulated with mili-tary-grade phenolic material.

Dialight Corp., Dept. ED, 60 Stewart Ave. Brooklyn 37, N. Y.
Availability: samples. 5 to 15 days.
See at Show Booth 2,519-21.
RF Power Amplifier


For 215 to 260 mc . Model 1114 power amplifier has an output of 15 w at 400 v de from an input of 2 w , or 15 w at 250 v dc from 3.5 w . It withstands $100-\mathrm{g}$ shock, $100-\mathrm{g}$ acceleration and $15-\mathrm{g}$ vibration from 20 to $2,000 \mathrm{cps}$. Temperature range is $\mathbf{- 5 5}$ to $\pm 100 \mathrm{C}$.
American Bosch Arma Corp., Tele-Dynamics Div., Dept. ED, 5000 Parkside Ave., Philadelphia, Pa .
Availability: samples.
See at Show Booth 4126-28.

NEW PRODUCTS AT WESCON

## Subminiature Relay

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Sensitivity is 20 mw . Designed for an operational life of over 100,000 cycles, model BR-12K subminiature relay withstands $50-\mathrm{g}$ vibration through 3.000 cps and $125-\mathrm{g}$ shock for 11 msec . It meets all requirements of MIL-R-5757D.

Babcock Electronics Corp., Babcock Relay Div., Dept. ED, 1645 Babcock Ave., Costa Mesa, Calif. P\&A: 14.50; 2 to $\$$ weeks.

See at Show Booth 312.

## Silicon Transistors

Rated at 150 w , types $2 N 1015$ and 2N1016 silicon transistors are and 2.1016 silicon transistors are
diffused-junction npn devices with a collector-emitter voltage of 100 $\mathbf{v}$, a saturation resistance of 0.5 ohm and a minimum beta of 10 at 5 amp . Uses include in power converters, power-supply regula. tors and servo amplifiers.

Silicon Transistor Corp., Dept. ED, Carle Place, N. Y

See at Show Booth 1224.

High-Speed Multiplexer 435


A 50-channel unit, the MXV5 solid-state multiplexer has a rate of over 20,000 independent samples per sec. Comprised of five 10-channel $5 \times 8$ in. cards, it operates in conjunction with the firm's V16-AD converter which has conversion rates up to 1,400 per sec.
Adage Inc., Dept. ED, 292 Main St., Cambridge 42, Mass.
See at Show Booth 3610.

- circle 70 on reader-service card


For milliwatt ranges, model 6254 rf wattmeter and load can be furnished with ranges to 25, 50 , 100. 250, 500 or $1,000 \mathrm{mw}$. It measures power output and terminates low-power 50 -ohm systems. Power is direct reading from 30 to 500 mc with a vswr of less than 1.15 . Bird Electronic Corp., Dept ED, 30303 Aurora Road, Cleveland 39, Ohio.
P\&A: 885; stock
See at Show Booth 1922-24.

## Microminiature Relay

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For military use. Type MM-22 microminiature dpdt relay has a life of 10 million operations in dry circuit applications and a contact life of 100,000 cycles at 3 amp or 500,000 at 2 amp . Operate and release times are 5 msec max. Dimensions are $0.9 \times 0.4 \times$ 0.961 in

Automatic Electric Co., Dept. ED, Northlake, IIl.
P\&A: \$20: by December
See at Show Booth 2201-03.

Sonic Cleaning System


Cleaner, rinse and dryer comprise the $1420-\mathrm{A}$ sonic cleaning system. Dimensions of the cleaning chamber are $14 \times 20 \times 11-1 / 2$ in. Frequency is 21 kc; generator output is 800 w. Input is 205 to 250 v, 60 cps , single-phase. Each of the three units can be furnished separately

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Compact chassis of Osborne 300 CBT Citizens Band Transceiver.


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Power Supply
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Regulation is $\pm 0.01 \%+1 \mathrm{mv}$ and ripple is 0.5 mv rms max. Model QCR 36 -30 power supply has an adjustably output of up to 36 v dc. Remote programing is provided for. Dimensions are $8-3 / 4 \times 19-1 / 8 \times 13-1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$.
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The Bendix Corp., Pioneer-Central Div., Dept. ED, Davenport,

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P8A: \$295; stock
See at Show Booth 2606.

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With BCD output. Model 2800BCD digital calendar provides an 8-4-2-1 binary-coded-decimal output representing the month and day. Logic circuits adjust for different lengths of months.

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Permanent-Magnet

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Barber-Colman Co., Dept. ED Rockford III
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Designated the FL Series, this relay meets all applicable sections of MIL-R-5757D, MIL-R-6106C and ABMA PD-R-187.

FL SERIES SPECIFICATIONS

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This large family of dual coil, permanent magnet relays
can be supplied with built-in diodes,
special terminals and mounting brackets.
a Non-latching or latching relays can be supplied in conventional crystal cases with or without shoulder brackets, studs or mounting plates. Straight pin, hook-end or $3^{\circ}$ flexible terminals are available
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With seated height of 0.45 in . Features of model BR-12P print-ed-circuit-board relay include drycircuit current requirement of 1 $\mu \mathrm{a}$ at 1 mv with 100 -ohm max contact resistance, $3-\mathrm{amp}$ contact rating at 32 v dc resistive, 5 msec max operate-release time.
Babcock Electronics Corp., Babcock Relays Div., Dept. ED, Costa Mesa, Calif.
P\&A: \$14; 2 to 3 weeks.
See at Show Booth 312.

## AC-DC Calibration <br> Standard

A precision voltage-current meter, model 1605 A ac-dc calibration transfer standard measures dc to $1,500 \mathrm{v}$ and 15 amp , and frequencies from 20 cps to 50 kc . Ac accuracy is $\pm 0.05 \%$; dc accuracy is $\pm 0.04 \%$. The unit is housed in a single package and can be used in mobile and field service.
Radio Frequency Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, Powerville Road, Boonton, N. J.
P\&A: \$s,150; stock.
See at Show Booth 2912-14.

## Semiconductor Tester

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Performs 24 tests, 12 on diodes and 12 on transistors. Model T350 A semiconductor tester automatically makes 12 tests in 0.6 sec The tests are interchangeable and may be programed in different combinations during any test sequence. Provision is made for ac beta tests.
Atlantis Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 451, Garland, Tex. See at Show Booth 4508.

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## Infrared Reference

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Range is 200 to $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 0}$ C. Model 11-201 infrared radiation reference source comprises a black-body simulator with 28 -deg conical cavity radiator plus a temperature control that provides an accuracy of $\pm 5 \%$. An aperture plate with a selector disk containing seven etched aperture diameters is optional.

Barnes Engineering Co., Dept. ED. 30 Commerce Road, Stamford. Conn.
See at Show Booth 1308-09.

## Pushbutton Switches

Lighted pushbutton switches in the 50PB series can be furnished in momentary and al-ternate-action designs. They have bush mounting and provide one-button control of two isolated circuits. Rating is 10 amp .

Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Micro Switch Div., Dept. ED, Freeport. III.
See at Show Booth 3501-07.

## Mica Capacitor

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Welded-seal button mica capacitors can be furnished with capacitances up to 1.500 pf at 500 wvdc in a wide variety of mounting configurations. Solder-free design permits the use of high-temperature soldering for circuit installation.

Sangamo Electric Co., Dept. ED, Springfield, III.

See at Show Booth 2207-09.

## Telemetry Antenna



Inflatable, helical antenna type $53000-2 \mathrm{~N}$ can be put into use with a hand pump. Gain is better than 9.5 db over isotropic with a vswr of less than 1.5:1 over the range of 215 to 265 mc . Weighing less than 10 lb , the $4-\mathrm{ft}$ antenna is for mobile tracking systems.
Andrew Corp., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 307. Chicago 42, III.
See at Show Booth 1821.
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Sunlight Sensing Device


For attitude control and orientation in space vehicles. Accuracy is $\pm 0.05$ deg. Called the Sun Sensor, this sunlight sensing device consists of a four-section photodetector and an optical system, which provides proportional displacement error signals. The optical system projects light on the detector elements by means of four light pipes, each covering $90-\mathrm{deg}$ azimuth and $82.5-\mathrm{deg}$ elevation.

The Bendix Corp., Eclipse-Pioneer Div., Dept. ED, Teterboro, N. J.

See at Show Booth 2801-03.

Military Resistors
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Meet MIL-R-19365C. These adjustable military resistors are similar to the Dividohm industrial units. Resistance wire is wound on a ceramic core and covered with vitreous enamel. A complete range of sizes and resistances is offered. Ohmite Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 3675 Howard St.. Skokie, III.

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Bandswitching Discriminator
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For all IRIG channels. This bandswitching discriminator includes 23 frequency detectors and 23 input bandpass filters. Frequency deviation is $\pm 7.5 \%$; input impedance is at least 51 K ; input sensitivity is 10 mv rms; input dynamic range is 60 db to $10 \mathrm{v} \mathrm{rms}, 30 \mathrm{v}$ peak-to-peak.
Airpax Electronics Inc., Seminole Div., Dept. ED, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
Availability: 3 to 6 weeks.
See at Show Booth 1716-18.


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## Silver-Zinc Battery



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Telecomputing Corp., Power Sources Div., Dept. ED, 3850 Olive St., Denver, Colo.

See at Show Booth 2022-24.

## Horizon Sensors



For space vehicles, series 13-160 horizon sensors detect thermal discontinuity between the atmosphere of the earth and that of outer space. They sense a local vertical to within 0.1 deg, sense pitch and roll errors relative to this reference axis, and produce control signals proportional to these errors.
Barnes Engineering Co., Dept. ED, 30 Commerce Road, Stamford, Conn.

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## Magnetostrictive Delay Lines



Long delays are featured in small units. Models 192, 157, 158 and 159 magnetostrictive delay lines include fixed-output types as well as adjustable-time and multiple-output laboratory types.

Deltime Inc., Dept. ED, 608 Fayette Ave. Mamaroneck, N. Y.

See at Show Booth 714.

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Snap-action, subminiature switches have uniform stress distribution throughout the spring. Called Cricket switches, they are rated at 5 amp at 125 to 250 v ac, inductive and resistive; 4 amp at 30 v dc, resistive; 2.5 amp at 30 vdc , inductive. These ratings are valid for altitudes to 50 ,000 ft . Weight is less than 0.08 oz .

Fansteel Metallurgical Corp., Contacts \& Specialties Div., Dept. ED, North Chicago, III. See at Show Booth 606-10.

## Microfilm Readout

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General Precision, Inc., GPL Dir., Dept. ED, Pleasantville, N. Y.
See at Show Booth 3309-21.

## Pushbutton Switches

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Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Micro Switch Div., Dept. ED. Freeport, III.

See at Show Booth 3501-07.
Binary-Decimal Modules


For 1-2-2-4 and 1-2-4-8 systems, types BIP5501 and BIP-5502 modules convert binarycoded decimal information to decimal form. Called BIPCO Modules, they operate with transistor amplifiers such as the firm's Trixie driver modules.
Burroughs Corp., Electronic Components Div., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 1226, Plainfield, N.J. P\&A: \$45; stock.
See at Show Booth 2507-09.

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| DR-20 | 111.000 | $10 \times(100+1,000 \div 10,000)$ | $\pm 0.1 \%$ |
| DR-30 | 11,100 | $10 x(10+100+1,000)$ | +0.1\% |
| DR-40 | 1,100 | 10x(1. $+10+100)$ | $\pm 0.25 \& \pm 0.1 \%$ |
| 0R.500 | 11,111 | $10 x(.1+1+10+100+1,000)$ | $\pm 0.25$ \& $\pm 0.1 \%$ |
| 0n-510 | 111,110 | $10 \mathrm{x}(1+10+100+1.000+10.000)$ | $\pm 0.25 \& \pm 0.1 \%$ |
| 0R.520 | 1,111,100 | $10 \times(10+100+1,000+10,000+100,000)$ | $\pm 0.1 \%$ |
| 0R. 700 | 1,111,111 | $10 \times(.1+1+10+100+1,000+10,000+100,000)$ | $\pm 0.25 \& \pm 0.1 \%$ |
| DR.710 | 11,111,110 | $\begin{gathered} 10 \times(1+10+100+1,000+10,000 \\ +100,000+1,000,000) \end{gathered}$ | $\pm 0.25$ \& $\pm 0.1 \%$ |


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| RN-3 | $10 \times(1+10+100)+9(1000)$ | 1/1000, 1/100, 1/10, 1/9, 1/4, 1/1, 10/1, 100/1, M10, M100, M1000 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Murray } \\ & \text { \& Varley } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $91 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 8^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ |

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Holt Instrument Laboratories, Div. of Holt Hardwood Co., Dept. ED, Oconto, Wis.
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Temperature Engineering Corp., Dept. ED, 1 Tempcor Blvd., Riverton, N. J.
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Thermador Electrical Manufacturing Co., Div. of Norris Thermador Corp., Dept. ED, 715 S. Raymond Ave., Alhambra, Calif.
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492
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Analab Instrument Corp., Dept. ED, Cedar Grove, N. J.
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Counter Module


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Burroughs Corp., Electronic Components Div., Dept. ED, P. (). Box 1226, Plainfield, N. J. P\&A: \$125; October.

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Zero-Max Co., Dept. ED, 2845 Harriet Ave., S., Minneapolis 18, Minn.
P\&e4: \$45 to \$500; stock.
See at Show Booth 416.

Logic Pack
407
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Philco Corp., Lansdale Div., Dept. ED, Lansdale, Pa.
See at Show Booth 919-21.
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Adage, Inc., Dept. ED, 292 Main St., Cambridge 42, Mass. See at Show Booth 3610.

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Raytheon Co., Industrial Components Div., Dept. ED, 55 Chapel St., Newton 58, Mass.
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International Rectifier Corp., Dept. ED, 233 Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif.
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Ohmite Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 3672 Howard St., Skokie, III.
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Non-Linear Systems, Inc., Dept. ED, Del Mar, Calif.
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Vari-L Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 207 Greenwich Ave., Stamford, Conn.
P\&A: \$60; stock.
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General Precision, Inc., Kearfott Div., Dept. ED, 1150 McBride Ave., Little Falls, N. J.

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## Frequency Meters

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Two types. Model 1130-A digital-time and frequency meter include data storage for continuous display. Model 1142-A frequency meter and discriminator is an analog meter with a direct-reading accuracy of $\pm 0.01 \%$
General Radio Co., Dept. ED, W. Concord, Mass.

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Tektronix, Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 500, Beaverton, Ore.

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See at Show Booth 4122.
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Filtors, Inc., Dept. ED, 30 Sagamore Hill sistance is $10,000 \mathrm{meg} \mathrm{min}$ at 25 C ; shock limit Drive, Port Washington, N. Y.

See at Show Booth 513-515.

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Tektronix, Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 500, Beaverton, Ore.

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See at Show Booth 4608.

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Philco Corp., Sierra Electronic Corp., Dept. ED, 3885 Bohannon Drive, Menlo Park, Calif.

See at Show Booth 2006-08.
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See at Show Booth 3309-21.
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## Oscilloscope



Range is dc to 7.5 mc . Model S32 portable oscilloscope is designed around a crt with post-deflection acceleration and operating at 3.5 kv . Balanced dc-coupled amplifier has as sensitivity of 100 mv per cm and risetime of 50 nsec . Time-base speeds are to $0.1 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ per cm.

The Scopes Co. Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 56, Monsey N. Y.
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## Tucor

 Electronically primes TR Tubes

Wilton, Conn.-Tucor announces a breakthrough in TR tube design. The conventional TR tube requires the build-up of large RF voltages before the TR tube will "fire" and provide the high attenuation of which it is capable. These initial high RF voltages appear on the transmitted pulse as a spike containing large amounts of energy. This energy is often sufficient to damage the sensitive circuits which follow.

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Philco Corp., Sierra Electronic Corp., Dept. ED, 3885 Bohannon Drive, Menlo Park, Calif.

See at Show Booth 2006-08.
Receiver-Decoder


Range is 406 to 549 mc . Model BCR-50 re-ceiver-decoder has up to 20 IRIG channels for remotely controlling missiles and pilotless aircraft. Up to six channels can be used simultaneously with each channel having $\pm 20-\mathrm{kc}$ deviation. A $10-\mu \mathrm{v}$ signal energizes all six channels with 7.5 w input power.
Babcock Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 1640 Monrovia Ave., Costa Mesa, Calif.

See at Show Booth 312.

## Silicon Rectifiers

646
Rated at 6 and 12 amp in ranges of 600 to $1,000 \mathrm{v}$, the Golden Line silicon power rectifiers are improved versions of the 1 N 1199 to 1N1206 series. Reverse leakage is less than 1 aa. Typical units have a forward voltage drop of less than 1 v and a dynamic impedance of as low as 0.0035 ohm .
Hughes Aircraft Co., Semiconductor Div.. Dept. ED, 500 Superior Ave., Newport Beach, Calif.
Availability: stock.
See at Show Booth 2421-27.

## Depth Recorder

Precision survey depth recorder model 418 provides dynamic tone shade response. Ranges are $400 \mathrm{ft}, 400$ and 4,000 fathoms at rates of 360, 60 and ti rpm, respectively. Resolution on the 400 -fathom range is better than $\pm 1$ fathom. Power consumption is less than 200 w at 115 v . 60 cps.

Alden Electronic \& Impulse Recording Equipment Co., Inc., Dept. ED, Westboro, Mass. See at Show Booth 4314.

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| * | $V_{\mathrm{ef}}=-0.25 \mathrm{~V}$ | - | - | 20 | - |  |
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| ${ }^{1}$ | $v_{c e}=-5 \mathrm{~V}, 1_{1}=0$ | - | -3.0 | - | -3.0 | nA |
| $V_{\text {cer }}(\mathrm{SCO})$ | $\mathrm{I}_{8}=-10 \mathrm{~mA} \mathrm{I}_{8}=-1 \mathrm{ma}$ | - | -0.16 | - | -0.20 | $v$ |
|  | $t_{c}=-100 \mathrm{ma} L_{8}=-10 \mathrm{ma}$ | - | -0.25 | - | -0.45 | $\checkmark$ |
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| 4 | $V_{\text {cc }}=-3.5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{i}_{\mathrm{c}}=300 \mathrm{cmms}$ | - | 20 | - | 35 | nesec |
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| $\mathrm{BN}_{\text {ceo }}$ | $\mathrm{I}_{c}=100 \mu \mathrm{~A}_{1} \mathrm{I}_{\varepsilon}=0$ | 40 | - | 30 | - | $V$ |
| $\mathrm{BV}_{\text {eco }}$ | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{c}}=100 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{~L}_{\mathrm{c}}=0$ | 5 | - | 5 | - | $V$ |
| $\mathrm{BV}_{\text {CER }}$ | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{c}}=10 \mu \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~V}_{\text {ge }}=0, \mathrm{R}_{\text {是 }}=10$ ohms | 20 | - | 15 | - | $V$ |
| $\mathrm{I}_{\text {CBO }}$ | $V_{C B}=25 \mathrm{~V}$ | - | 250 | - | 250 | mun |
|  | $V_{C B}=25 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}=150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | - | 30 | - | 30 | MA |
| $h_{\text {fe }}$ | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=10 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{~V}_{\text {CE }}=1 \mathrm{~V}$ | 20 | 60 | 25 | - |  |
| $V_{\text {BE }}$ | $\mathrm{I}_{C}=10 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{I}_{B}=1 \mathrm{~mA}$ | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.9 | $V$ |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {cES }}$ | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{C}}=10 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{B}}=1 \mathrm{~mA}$ | - | . 25 | - | . 16 | $V$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\infty}$ | $V_{C B}=10 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{E}}=0, F=1 \mathrm{MC}$ | - | 3.0 | - | 3.5 | $\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$ |
| $h_{10}$ | $V_{C B}=15 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{c}}=10 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{~F}=100 \mathrm{MC}$ | 2.0 | - | 2.0 | - |  |
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| $t_{s}$ | $\begin{aligned} & I_{B(1)}=10 \mathrm{mi}, I_{B(2)}=10 \mathrm{~mA} \\ & V_{c c}=10 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{c}}=10 \mathrm{~mA}, R_{L}=1000 \mathrm{n} \end{aligned}$ | - | 10 | - | 15 | nsec |
| toll | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{B}(1)}=3 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{B}(2)}=1 \mathrm{~mA} \\ & \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{CE}}=3 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{i}}=270 \Omega \end{aligned}$ | - | 30 | - | 40 | nsec |

Pressure Potentiometers


For airborne applications. Type P105 pressure potentiometers measure 0 to 10 up to 350 psia and deliver 75-v, full-scale output without amplification. They operate at vibration levels to 35 g at $2,000 \mathrm{cps}$ and withstand $75-\mathrm{g}$ shock and acceleration

Trans-Sonics, Inc.. Dept. ED, P. O. Box 328, Lexington 73, Mass.
P\&A: \$400; stock.
See at Show Booth 4414.

## Capacitance Bridge

Precision capacitance bridge type $1615-\mathrm{A}$ has a measurement range of $10^{-17}$ to $10^{-6} \mathrm{f}$. The resolution is $1 \mathrm{pp} 10^{6}$. Direct-reading accuracy is $0.02 \%$.
General Radio Co., Dept. ED, W. Concord, Mass.

See at Show Booth 2202-04.

## Deflection Yokes

729
With push-pull operation from constant-current sources, these deflection yokes provide horizontal and vertical electron-beam deflection in a crt. Magnetic damping allows rapid writing rates.
General Dynamics/Electronics, Information Technology Div., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 2449, San Diego 12, Calif.

See at Show Booth 201-030.
Two-Way Radio


Transmitter power is 1 w . The Duo-Com 120, class $D$, pocket size two-way radio is fully transistorized, using 11 transistors and two diodes. The crystal-controlled receiver has a sensitivity of better than 1 mv . Power is from a $12-\mathrm{v}$, rechargeable battery.
Osborne Electronics Corp., Communications Div., Dept. ED, 13105 Crenshaw Blvd., Hawthorne, Calif.
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See at Show Booth 612.

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## Miniature Chopper

636
For airborne servo systems. Series C1425 Syncroverter miniature chopper has an 83deg nominal phase lag at 400 cps which eliminates the use of phasing networks. Designed to resist shock and vibration, the unit measures $1-3 / 8 \times 3 / 4 \mathrm{in}$. and can be furnished with a variety of mountings.

The Bristol Co., Dept. ED, Waterbury 20, Conn.

See at Show Booth 3316-18.

## Trimming Potentiometers



High resolution and precision trimming are features of series 150 trimming potentiometers. Standard resistance range is 10 to 50 K ; power rating is 1 w at 60 C . Environmental requirements of MIL-E-5272A and MIL-STD-202 are met. Mechanical ratio is $30: 1$ for screw-driver adjustment.

Duncan Electronics, Inc., Dept. ED, 2865 Fairview Road, Costa Mesa, Calif.
P\&A: \$3.70 to \$7.80; stock.
See at Show Booth 808.

## Oscilloscope

645
Dual-beam oscilloscope type RM565 has two separate vertical systems and two separate horizontal systems. Sweep ranges are $1 \mu \mathrm{sec}$ to 5 sec per cm in 21 calibrated steps, continuously variable between steps and to 15 sec per cm , uncalibrated with magnification of 10 times.

Tektronix, Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 500, Beaverton, Ore.

See at Show Booth 1726-28, 1823

## Resistor Decade Boxes

725
In-line, digital readout is provided by the Dekabox decade resistor boxes for four to six decades with resolution of 0.1 to 100 ohms per step. Individual resistors have temperature coefficient of $\pm 10 \mathrm{ppm}$ per C above 100 ohms, $\pm 20 \mathrm{ppm}$ per C below 100 ohms. Decade adjustment accuracy is $\pm 0.03 \%+0.01$ ohm per decade.

Electro Scientific Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, 7524 S. W. Macadam Ave., Portland 19, Ore.
P\&A: $\$ 100$ to $\$ 195$; so days.
See at Show Booth 1928-29.

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The Torrington Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, Torrington, Conn.
Availability: 5 to 6 weeks.
See at Show Booth 4117.
Zener Diodes


Rated at 250 mw . These JEDEC glass Zener diodes include: types 1 N 465 to 1 N 479 , covering 2.6 to 7.1 v , with tolerances of $\pm 1 \%$ in the $B$ series and $\pm 5 \%$ in the $A$ series; types 1N702 to 1N716, covering 2.6 to 12 v , with $\pm 5 \%$ and $\pm 10 \%$ tolerances; types 1N761 to IN766, covering 4.8 to $13 \mathrm{v}, \pm 10 \%$ tolerance.

International Rectifier Corp., Dept. ED, 233 Kansas St., El Segundo, Calif.
P\&A: $\$ 2.60$ to $\$ 12.50$; stock.
See at Show Booth 1701-03.
Magnetic Alloy
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Thomas \& Skinner, Inc., Dept. ED, 1120 E. 23rd St., Indianapolis 7, Ind.

See at Show Booth 1819.

## Silicon Rectifiers

Piv is up to $3,000 \mathrm{v}$. Measuring 0.27 in . long and less than 0.1 in in diameter, these silicon rectifiers handle currents of 100 ma . They use three junctions in a hermetically sealed glass enclosure and have a forward voltage drop of 2.5 v at 100 ma .

Motorola Semiconductor Products Inc., Dept. ED, 5005 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix, Ariz.

See at Show Bonth 914-16.

## Silicone-Resin Laminate

Glass-cloth. silicone-resin laminate grade 11589 combines good machining properties with high heat-resistance which permits operation at 250 C . It has high bond, mechanical and flexural strength.
General Electric Co., Laminated Products Dept., Dept. ED, Coshocton, Ohio.
See at Show Booth 4811 .

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Servonic Instruments, Inc., Dept. ED, 1644 Whittier Ave., Costa Mesa, Calif.

See at Show Booth 4107.

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560


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See at Show Booth 3609-11.

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Mounts to chassis slides. This cable carrier consists of two telescopic-action supporting arms which expand with slide movement, providing uniform support. When retracted, it occupies about 1 in . of storage space. It meets applicable Mil specs.

Jonathan Manufacturing Co., Dept. ED, 720 E. Walnut Ave., Fullerton, Calif.

P\&A: $\$ 15$ to $\$ 30 ;$ so days.
See at Show Booth 4830.

## Subcarrier Oscillator

500
Low-level subcarrier oscillator type 1274A can be activated by a $\pm 5-\mathrm{mv}$ differential signal with an input impedance of greater than 90 K . Time drift is less than $0.2 \%$ for 48 hr . True differential input allows the transducer to operate at ground potential, at any level to $\pm 50$ v dc, or it may be floated.

American Bosch Arma Corp., Tele-Dynamics Div., Dept. ED, 5000 Parkside Ave., Philadelphia, Pa .

See at Show Booth 4126-28.


A BETTER SHAKE FOR POLARIS... Aerojet-General installs Ling vibration system with world's highest force rating -60,000 pounds

When faced with unsolved vibration testing problems on its vital part of the Polaris program, Aerojet-General Corporation, a subsidiary of The General Tire and Rubber Company, turned to Ling Electronics. To give its solid propellant rocket engines the severest shake-up, Aerojet-General improved its test facilities with two Ling vibration systemscontrolled simultaneously or independently by one console. The system, now operating, includes two Model 249 shakers delivering 30,000 pounds force each and two Model PP $120 / 150,120 \mathrm{KVA}$ water-cooled amplifiers - for a total force delivery of 60,000 pounds. The special random/sine wave console not only provides simultaneous or independent control of both exciter systems, but features Ling's famous ESD-ASD 20 spectral density equalizer/analyzer, the industry standard. Like Aerojet-General, you too may find the superior quality and rugged reliability of Ling systems answer your testing problems. For more information, write Department ED-861 at the address below.

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As package weights rise, so does the need for vibration testing systems of higher performance and reliability. And Ling engineers have consistently anticipated these demands with designs that keep pressing toward higher ratings.
The powerful Model 249 shaker shown below delivers 30,000 pounds of force when combined with its mating amplifier. Only the high force rating of the 249 shaker made it possible to meet the big systems needs of Aerojet-General as described at the left.
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| LIQUID- | LIQUID- | FORCE | FORCE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| COOLED | COOLED | LBS. | LBS. |
| SHAKER | AMPLIFIER | SINE | RANDOM |
| 249 | PP $175 / 240$ | 30,000 | 32,000 |
| 249 | PP $120 / 150$ | 30,000 | 28,000 |
| 249 | PP $75 / 90$ | 23,000 | 21,000 |

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The Torrington Mfg. Co., Dept. ED, Torring-
Availability: 6 to 7 weeks.
See at Show Booth 4117.

## Rotary Stepping Switch



Plug-in rotary stepping switch provides 240 individual connections. It has bridging type wipers, is completely wired to connectors and measures $6-5 / 16 \times 6 \times 4-9 / 16$ in. Applications include prosraming, sequence control and test

North Electric Co., Electronetics Div., Dept. ED, Galion, Ohio.
P\&A: 8125: 6 weoks.
See at Show Booth 2502-04.
Fan and Driver


Outpul is 100 cfm or better. Both fan and driver operate from -20 to +40 C . Type 8-1003 driver unit requires 12 v dc and supplies a 60 -cps output to operate any ac fan. Power consumption is 24 w and over-all efficiency is 85 F . Total weight of both units is 2.2 lb .

Palo Alto Engineering Co., Dept. ED, 620 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, Calif.
P\&A: $\$ 25$ for both units; stock.
See at Show Booth 512 .

## Power Transistors

Dissipate 170 w . The eight power transistors in this series have maximum junction temperature ratings of 110 C . They will be available under the firm's Meg-A-Life program which provides lot-test data with each order.

Motorola Semiconductor Products Inc., Dept. ED, 5005 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix, Ariz. See at Show Booth 914-16.


With Heinemann's Type A Silic-O-Netic ${ }^{8}$, you get two relays for the price of one: a time-delay relay and a load relay. In one small package (shown actual size above), you get a timedelay relay that can double, if you wish, as a load carrier, too. (It's got a continuous-duty coil; you don't have to use auxiliary lock-in circuits or slave relays.)

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The Type A (and the entire line of Heinemann time-delay relays) is described in full in our Bulletin 5003. A copy is yours for the asking.

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Power Sources, Inc., Dept. ED, Northwest Industrial Park, Burlington, Mass.

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Custom made for special applications, tools include: the 740-1372 combination screwdriver-nut-driver for adjusting recording equipment; the 2201357 long-shank, prong tipped tool for adjusting computers; and the $300-1675$ insulated nutdriver-hammer for aligning and adjusting calculating machines.

Xcelite, Inc., Dept. ED, Orchard Park, N. Y. Availability: Made on order.

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Optimized Devices, Inc., Dept. ED, 864 Franklin Ave., Thornwood, N. Y.
P\&A: \$850; 6 weeks.
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## FM Transmitter

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For 215 to 260 mc . Type 1008, a 2 -w fm transmitter, provides $0.01 \%$ crystal-stabilized frequency control. Sensitivity is 0.01 v per kc ; carrier deviation is $\pm \mathbf{1 5 0} \mathrm{kc}$; modulation range, 20 cps to 100 kc . It operates over the temperature range of -55 to +100 C .
American Bosch Arma Corp., Tele-Dynamics Div., Dept. ED, 5000 Parkside Ave., Philadel phia, Pa .

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A. W. Haydon Co., Dept. ED, Waterbury, Conn.
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North Electric Co., Electronetics Div.. Dept. ED. Galion, Ohio.
P\&A: $\$ 1.55$; sample quantities.
See at Show Booth 2502-04.
Multiple Diode


For computer logic. This plug-in multiple diode, called the Poly-Diode, consists of five separate diode junctions with individual leads, formed on a single silicon slice. The entire circuit is glass encapsulated.

Delta Semiconductors, Inc., Dept. ED, 835 Production Place, Newport Beach. Calif.
See at Show Booth 4512.


## New 4-PDT-10-amp Relay Most Compact Rotary Type Available <br> This new durable relay is designed to meet the requirements of Mil-R-6106. It's a rugged relay featuring exceptionally sturdy terminals and husky contacts for high current applications. Glass-coated cylindrical contact actuators attached to the rotary armature provide square mating of contact surfaces, thereby assuring longer relay life. The balanced rotary armature provides maximum re- <br> 

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Digital readout is available on model 2002 transistor dc analyzer. Measured parameters and operating ranges include: $\mathbf{0}$ to 100 v breakdown voltage; 0 to 10 v saturation voltage: $1.0 \mathrm{~m} \mu \mathrm{a}$ to $100 \mu \mathrm{a}$ reverse current; and 5 to 1,000 dc beta. Variable test currents from 10 $\mu \mathrm{a}$ to 100 ma and voltages from 0 to 100 v are available. Accuracy is better than $1 \%$.

Merrithew and Syphers, Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 178, Syracuse 11, N. Y.
P\&A: \$2,975; six weeks.

## Biotelemetry System

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Spacelabs Inc., Dept. ED, 15521 Lanark St., Van Nuys, Calif.
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For detailed technical bulletins, call the American Bosch Arma marketing offices in Washington, Dayton or Los Angeles. Or write or call Tele-Dynamics Division, American Bosch Arma Corporation, 5000 Parkside Avenue, Philadelphia 31, Pa. Telephone TRinity 8-3000.

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General Ceramics Dis., Indiana General Corp., Dept. ED, Keashey, N. J.

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The Budd Co., Dept. C. Instruments Div,, Dept. ED, P. O. Box 245, Phoenixville, Pa.

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Raytheon Co., Special Microwave Devices Op eration, Dept. ED, 130) Second Ave., Waltham, Mass.
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Kelvin Electric Co., Dept. ED, 5907 Noble Ave., Van Nuys, Calif.

Isolation Transformers
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L J Products. Dept. ED, 7464 Girard Ave., La Jolla, Calif.

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One thousand transistor leads an hour are straightened by model AL3S, or cut and notched by model AL3NS machines. Machines do not roll, twist or affect the seals or leads electrically. When a transistor is inserted into the machine, the leads are straightened, or cut and notched, and the transistor is ejected. Power requirements: $110 \mathrm{v}, 60 \mathrm{cps}$, and 80 psi of compressed air.

Design Tool Co., Dept. ED, 1055 Stewart Ave., Garden City, L. I., N. Y.
Price: Straightener, \$2,490; cutter-notcher, \$2,790.

## Glass-Epoxy Laminate

Copper-clad glass-epoxy laminate Textolite grade 11584 withstands severe mechanical and thermal shock. It retains $50 \%$ of room-temperature flexural strength at 150 C and $50 \%$ of the copper bond strength after seven days at 325 F , and is resistant to solvents and etchants. Thickness range is 0.010 to 1.000 in . unclad, 0.010 to 0.250 in . copper-clad.

General Electric Co., Laminated Products Dept., Dept. ED, Coshocton, Ohio.

## Power Regulators



Ovens and furnaces can be controlled by these multi-channel ac power regulators. Up to 10 channels can be installed in a standard instrument rack. Model Y4079 is a single-channel, plug-in module rated at 40 amp . Model G4078 is rated at 100 amp per channel. Overloads of $200 \%$ can be tolerated for short periods. Cooling apparatus is contained in the rack.

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Five types are offered, with delays from 19 to 100 up to 1.501 to $2,000 \mu \mathrm{sec}$. Type SM-10 serial memories contain a driver circuit, a magnetostrictive delay line and an amplifier reshaper. Storage capacity is to 2,000 bits; greater loop storage can be obtained by cascading.

Computer Control Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 983 Concord St., Framingham, Mass.
P\&A: \$294 to \$427; from stock.

## Audio Tone Oscillators

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Specific frequencies from 50 cps through 30 kc are generated by these transistorized tone-oscillator packages. Plug-in and solderterminal versions are available. Output load is 600 ohms or 10 K . Typical frequency accuracy is $\pm \mathbf{2 \%}$. Units, hermetically sealed. occupy 1-1/2 cu in. and are rated from - 29 to -55 C

M F Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 118 E. 25th St., New York $10, N$.
Availability: one to two weeks.

## Plastic Tubing

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Shrinkable plastic tubings, called Flexite. shrink on application of heat to provide snug fittings around wires, components, and irregular shapes.
L. Frank Markel and Sons, Dept. ED, Norristown, Pa.

## Subcarrier Oscillator

Miniature subcarrier oscillator, model VOG-140-002, is designed for guided-missile and aircraft applications. Device measures $1-7 / 8 \times 1-27 / 64 \times 2-3 / 16 \mathrm{in}$. and weighs less than 7.4 oz . Dc voltage information is converted to an fm subcarrier signal on any standard RDB channel. Controls and test point are on front of oscillator. All MIL specs are met.

Astronautics. Inc., Dept. ED, Melbourne, Fla.

> Only Ampex AR-300/FR-700 systems make all these wideband recording techniques practical and routine


#### Abstract

It takes a me response to fully encompass all the above applications. Increasing tape speed past static heads would demand $1,300 \mathrm{ips}$ and record only 3 minutes, using massive $1^{\prime \prime}$ reels ... but Ampex puts a full hour on standard $10^{1 / 2 "}$ reels, by rotating the recording heads at 12.000 rpm transversely across slow-moving tape ( $12 \frac{1}{2}$ and 25 ips ) to get the needed relative head-to-tape speed for 4 mc . In so doing, the AR-300 and FR-700 recorders borrow from Ampex's videotape* Recorders, which use an identical technology to capture TV frequencies.


More blts per hour, another bonus from rotating hoads. Rotating heads reconcile two ideals: relative freedom from information dropout, and maximum information recorded per reel of tape. With head-to-tape speed to spare, each bit of information can be permitted to occupy a greater wave length along the track to minimize dropout. At the same time, rotating heads are ideal for recording very narrow, closelyspaced tracks across the tape. This narrow spacing puts 64 tracks into each inch. Up to $5,000,000$ bits of PCM data can be recorded per second, or $1.8 \times 10^{11}$ bits on a one-hour reel.

750 similar recorders have written the reliability record. Better than $99 \%$ reliability from over 750 videotape Recorders in worldwide use is a matter of record. Sole routine replacements necessary are heads and tapes. On a megacycle-hour basis, life compares favorably with lower performance recording methods.

Some significant specifications. One or two tracks available. Tape speeds: $121 / 2 \mathrm{ips}$ for single track and I hour- 25 ips for two tracks and $1 / 2$ hour. Models: AR-300 Mobile or Airborne for record only -FR-700 single rack labor atory record/playback. Response: by FM 10 cps to $4 \mathrm{mc}( \pm 3 \mathrm{db}$ ). Tape: 1.0 mil Mylar (DuPont T. M.), $2^{\prime \prime}$ wide on $101 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ reels. Elecironics: all solid state. Environmental (AR-300): 50,000 feet altitude, temperatures $-54^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Tape interchangeability between all AR-300 and FR-700 recorders.



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## QUADRATURE-FREE AC SIGNALS!

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Even though today's potentiometers are developed to a level of performance never before achieved, their use as AC voltage dividers introduces several problems not present under DC conditions. Most important of these are quadrature voltage and phase shift-the extraneous voltage $90^{\circ}$ out of phase with the input signal, which results from capacitance between wire turns and metallic mandrel.
How do you eliminate quadrature? And the many other considerations associated with AC applications what about them? Helipot solves all these problems with two new AC potentiometer series.

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1. WHAT IS AN AC POTENTIOMETER?

Simply stated, a pot that's specifically designed for AC-excited circuits. It differs from ordinary wirewound pots in that quadrature effects are eliminated without the addition of elaborate compensating networks. At the same time, it provides lower output impedance, and improves linearity and reliability.
2. HOW DO AC POTS ELIMINATE QUADRATURE ERROR?
Helipot combines a multi-tapped pot with a multi-tapped autotransform-


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er. The voltage existing at each pot tap point is determined by the reference voltage at the corresponding
autotransformer tap. The pot resistance element is divided into a series of independent low-resistance ele-ments-hence a reduction in quadrature.
The figure shown plots quadrature error against rotation. It illustrates the difference in phase shift between ordinary wire-wound pots and a Helipot AC unit with 12 -segment autotransformer. You'll note that quadrature error is at its maximum near the midpoint between taps and is nearly zero at tap points. The result: negligible quadrature error and phase shift.
3. HOW ARE INPUT AND OUTPUT

IMPEDANCE AFFECTED?
Input impedance remains high. Un$\operatorname{der} A C$ applications, total pot resistance is paralleled by the AC impedance of the autotransformer. Since this impedance is 10 to 100 times greater than that of the pot, the addition of an autotransformer has a negligible effect on the input impedance.
Output impedance is much lower The addition of an autotransformer to the basic pot results in a maximum output impedance occurring midway between each set of adjacent taps. It follows that total output impedance is greatly reduced-any energy required by the load is fed from the nearest auto-transformer tap.
4. HOW DOES THE AC POT

IMPROVE LINEARITY?
The overall linearity of AC pots is dependent on the linearity of pot sections between taps - not total pot linearity.
An important feature of autotransformer application is the ability to easily adjust the voltage appearing at each pot tap - without affecting
the voltage ratio at any other tap. It is therefore possible to pull all tap points into the desired linearity band, regardless of basic pot linearity. Another AC pot feature: It is capable of truly zero electrical "end coil."
5. ARE AC POTS MORE RELIABLE THAN BASIC POTS?
Yes-much more so. That's because a pot winding or tap lead going open affects only that portion of the pot between taps adjacent to the open. Even the opening of CW or CCW terminals has no effect beyond the adjacent tap point. Or, simply stated - the more taps, the greater the inherent reliability. Models with up to 28 taps are available as special from Helipot.


Helipot offers two AC pot series and 26 standard models with frequency ranges from 20 to $20,000 \mathrm{cps}$. Choose your linear or non-linear version of either the $3^{\prime \prime}$ diameter single turn Series 5800 or the $2^{\prime \prime}$ diameter multiturn Series 7800. They're precisionbuilt by Helipot to meet unusual conformities and perform in most any desired function.
Any more questions? Detailed specs and additional product information are included in a new 32 -page potentiometer catalog. To get a copy, call your nearest Helipot Sales Engineering Representative...or write direct :

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## Variable Transformer



Panel-mounted variable transformer, model 250 BU , is rated at 2.5 amp and 0.33 kva max. Input voltage is 120 v , and output is 0 to 132 v . Transformer is 2-13/16 in. in diameter and 2 1/16 in. deep. Brush and brush track, within the coil, are protected from damage.
Standard Electrical Products Co.. Dept. EI), 2240 E. 3rd St., Dayton, Ohio.
P\&A: 89.50; from stock.

## Antenna Tower

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Light-weight tower, type G-10, is made for rapid, simple installation and low maintenance. Each $10-\mathrm{ft}$ section weighs 29 lb . A climbable ladder is on each side. Withstands 55,0010 psi.

E-Z Way Towers, Inc., Dept. ED, Tampa. Fla.
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## Pulse Generator

All-transistor laboratory pulse kenerator switches up to 30 amp at 75 v . Repetition rate is variable from 1 to 5 pulses per sec, pulse width variable from 2 to 15 msec . Panel height of the rack-mounted instrument is 7 in .

Crane Electronics Co., Dept. ED, 4345 Hollister Ave., Santa Barbara, Calif.

Frequency Synthesizer
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Provides 2,000 frequency channels for radar. telemetry, navigation, and communications systems. The model NC- 3800 frequency synthesizer occupies less than 30 cu in . and has all solid-state circuitry, without mechanical elements. Power output is $\mathbf{3 0} \mathbf{~ m w}$. Frequency readout is in 23 -bit binary code.
National Co., Inc., Dept. ED, 61 Sherman St., Malden, Mass.


Regulated filament power supply, model PS130, gives $6.3 \mathrm{vac}, 5 \mathrm{amp}$ regulated within $0.5 \%$ for an input range of 95 to $135 \mathrm{v}, 360$ to 440 cps. Regulator circuit is magnetic-amplifier, Zener-diode type. Response time is 10 msec Components meet MIL specs, are rigidly mounted and encapsulated. Unit, hermetically sealed, meets MIL-E-52i2 specifications.
Dynex Industries, Inc., Dept. ED, 170 Eileen Way, Syosset, N. Y.

## Extensible Cable

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For up to $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 0}$ conductors. The extensible cable consists of two multiconductors, helical wound cables one wound inside the other. They spiral in opposite directions, resulting in a flexible assembly. A number of wire types can be used.

Spectra-Strip Wire \& Cable Corp., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 415, Garden Grove, Calif.

Availability: from stock or made to order.

## Teflon Terminals

Stand-off and feed-through terminals are of one-piece Tefion construction. Press-fit mounting is simple and permanent. Dissipation factor is less than 0.0003 from 60 cps to over 10 Gc . Devices are made for nuclear instrumentation.

Tri-Point Industries, Dept. ED, Albertson, L. I., N. Y.

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Miniature, encapsulated high-voltage capacitors function under severe environmental conditions. Capacitance values of series EF range from $0.005 \mu$ f through $1.0 \mu$; voltages range from 2 to 30 kv . No derating is required up to 85 C . Requirements of MIL-C25C are met.
Dearborn Electronic Laboratories, Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 3431, Orlando, Fla.

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| Dissipation Factor | 0.0005 | 0.0005 |

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| Pour Point | <-100 ${ }^{\circ}$. | $-58^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. |
| Boiling Point | $212^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. | $340^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$. |
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## Potentiometer



Up to 13 preset taps are available on the model 200-CEUS precision potentiometer, allowing it to be tapped and phased in the field. Nonlinear functions can be produced from stock potentiometers, or nonlinear units can be wound to any specified function. Up to 15 units can be stacked without decentering.

George Rattray and Co., Dept. ED, Hicksville, N. Y.
Availability: From stock.

## Potentiometer



Encapsulated, molded-composition potentiometer model R1 is rated at 3 w standard and 2 w military (MIL-R-94B). Resistance range is 100 ohms to 5 meg, with $10 \%$ tolerance. Maximum operating temperature is 125 C , life is 100,000 rotations under full load. Size is 1-1/2 $\times 1-1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$.

Reon Resistor Corp., Dept. ED, 155 Saw Mill River Road, Yonkers, N. Y. P\&A: \$2 to $\$ 10 ; 4$ to 8 weeks.

## Chopper



Transistorized chopper, model 20, switches or chops voltages up to $\pm 10 \mathrm{v}$, and can be driven from dc to 100 kc . Output noise is about $20 \mu \mathrm{v}$ rms, and does not increase with age. Device is housed in as transistor case and plugs into a standard 5-pin socket or can be soldered into a circuit. Unit is suitable for military, missile, and portable applications.

Solid State Electronics Co., Dept. ED. 15321 Rayen St., Sepulveda, Calif. P\&A: \$39.00; from stock.

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Pioneer Electric \& Research Corp., Dept. ED, 743 Circle Ave. Forest Park, III.

Accelerometer


Three-axis linear accelerometer, type LA39-0301-1, has a range from $\pm 2$ to $\pm 200 \mathrm{~g}$. Accuracy is $1 \%$. Device, suitable for missiles, measures $2-1 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. in diameter and 2 in . high, and weighs 10 oz .
Humphrey, Inc., Dept. ED, 2805 Canon St., San Diego 6, Calif.

## Low-Temperature <br> <br> Chamber

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Cincinnati Sub Zero Products, Dept. ED, 3932 Reading Road, Cincinnati 29, Ohio.

## Transistor Clip

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For TO-23 cases. Type 100-320 cadmium-plated beryllium copper clip designed for holding the 2N535B, 2N799 and other transistors, has two annealed tabs for insertion in printed-circuit boards. Tab lengths are $1 / 32$ to $1 / 4 \mathrm{in}$. It is slotted to provide cooling area and to prevent shock and vibration.
Atlee Corp., Atlas Div., Dept. ED, 47 Prospect St., Woburn, Mass.
P\&A: $\$ 0.27$ to \$0.9s; from stock.


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Infotronics Corp., Dept. ED, 1401 S. Post Oak Road, Houston 27, Tex.

## Switching Transistor

Epitaxial mesa switching transistor, type 2N835, has a storage time of 16 nsec and an over-all switching time of 47 nsec . Typical collector capacitance is 2.8 pf . Saturation voltage is 0.15 v at 10 ma , and gain bandwidth product is 300 mc min . Junction and storage temperature is 175 C max. Dissipation is 1 w . Device replaces type $2 N 706$.
Motorola Semiconductor Products. Inc., Dept. ED, 5005 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix 8. Ariz. P\&A: \$5.10: from distributors.

Heavy-Duty Switches


Snap-acting precision switches for heavy-duty operations have screw terminals, so that wires can be attached to either face of the switch. Designated series 2HL, the switches include plunger-operated, leaf, and lever-actuator types for operation at $2 \mathrm{hp}, \mathbf{2 5 0} \mathrm{v}$ ac; $1 \mathrm{hp}, 125 \mathrm{vac}$; $20 \mathrm{amp}, 125,250$, or 480 vac ; and inrush current of $75 \mathrm{amp}, 480 \mathrm{vac}$.
Unimax Switch, Dept. ED, Ives Road, Wallingford, Conn.

## Germanium Transistors



Consumer germanium transistors are avail able in three series. Series GAM-1, made for radio receivers, have a current gain of 32 to 40 db at 455 kc and an output impedance greater than 1 meg. Series GAM-2, for fm applications, have a high-frequency response of 120 mc and collec-tor-base time constant less than 20 psec . Power transistors for audio applications have breakdown voltages of 30,45 , oí 60 v , dissipation of 25 w , and beta from 30 to 150 at 0.5 or 1 amp collector current.
Texas Instruments Inc., Dept. ED, P. O. Box 5012. Dallas 22, Tex.

## Transmission Line

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Broadband coaxial cable, Spri-O-foam, is foam-polyethylene insulated, aluminum-sheathed, semi-flexible transmission line. Lengths up to $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 0} \mathrm{ft}$ are available. Connectors are electrically matched to the cable.
Prodelin. Inc., Dept. ED, 307 Bergen Ave., Kearny, N. J.
Availability: Immedinte.

## Stroboscopes



High-intensity stroboscopes offer up to 4,000 flashes per min. Series 161 are triggered flawh units with push-to-see switch. for permanent or semi-permanent inspection installations. Series 163 are general purpose units for motion study, having a built-in oscillator and triggered flash. Series 165 has a precision frequency meter and is suited for tachometer measurements. Both series 163 and 165 have synchronizing, triggered flash, and output pulse circuitry.

Slaughter Co.. Dept. ED, Piqua, Ohio.
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JFD Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 6101 16th Ave., Brooklyn 4, N. Y. Availability: Four weeks.

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Narrow band, ultra-compact terminations. series 2300, are suitable for use in S, C, X and K-type waveguides. They cover any $6 \%$ banduidth with a max visur of 1.5 and an at tenuation of 30 db or greater. They are available in a variety of materials.

Custom Components, Inc., Dept. ED, Caldwell, N.J.
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Wave Particle, Dept. EI), 150 S. Second St., Richmond, Calif.
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That Extra Something
Renewed interest in the G-line, described in the article on the facing page, is merely one aspect of increasing research into new microwave transmission media-particularly for millimeter waves. In recent weeks there have been reports of new work in beam waveguides, dielectric waveguides, plastic waveguides, Fresnel zone plates and ultra-thin coaxial cables.

One can foresee an increasing number of alternatives to waveguides and coax cables in their present form. While these new techniques may not challenge the dominance of coax cables and rectangular metallic guides. the designer will in time have recourse to that extra something in meeting those especially difficult performance specs.

Now interest in a long-known but little applied mirrowar transmission medium is reporterl in

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# New Applications Being Developed For Surface-Wave Transmission Lines 

## Manfred Meisels

Technical Editor

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OTENTIAL competition to coaxial cables, waveguides and relay links for broad-band and high-power microwave communications is being posed by renewed design interest in surface wave transmission lines.

Advantages claimed for the so-called Gline (named after its inventor, Dr. Georg Goubau of the Army Signal Corps R\&D Laboratory) include:

- Low propagation loss.
- Broad-band transmission characteristics.
- High power-handling capability.
- Convenient tap-off anywhere along the line without physical contact.
- Reduced weight.
- Lower cost.

Since its invention some 10 years ago, the G-line has been occasionally, but increasingly applied in antenna lines and in feeder lines for community antenna television systems. Until recently, the greater commercial and technical interest in G-lines has been evidenced overseas.

Of late, however, American advocates of the G-line have been stressing its advantages in railway and industrial applications and in long-haul microwave communications over existing pole lines. Simple probes can cou-
ple energy into and out of the G-line without physical interruption; and the line can be strung along existing pole routes.

The New York Central Railroad has recently completed extensive tests of a 4.5 mile G-line erected along its tracks. Television and vhf communications were successfully transmitted along the entire length of the line as well as to and from a specially equipped cart moving on the rails. Remote control of trains via television has been considered with a G-line system.
"Results of our test line have been extremely promising and we would like to conduct more conclusive tests over a 150 mile length of G-line," Robert C. Karvwatt, the Central's director of communications told Electronic Design. "Other railroads, especially those not already committed to microwave relays are also interested, but are waiting to see what luck we're having with the G-line," he added.
The Central's line is suspended from the poles by nylon strings-the generally accepted method of supporting G-line, though rigid plastic rods have also been used. No repeaters are required as propagation losses at uhf frequencies average only 10 db per mile. The line itself consists of polyethylenecoated No. 6 wire terminated at each end by launching horns. Installation cost averaged


Surface-wave antenna line on German television transmitter. The G-line is supported within the metal rings by nylon cords. Note the parallel coupling method used (lower half of photo) between two G-lines in close proximity. Such applications, while popular abroad, have lagged in this country despite major cost savings claimed for the G-line. Renewed interest in uhf television may, however, provide new impetus for $G$-line use here.

Nonradiating surface waves in conducting wire are excited by the finite resistivity of the wire. This causes a reduction in the phase velocity of the field as compared to the free-space velocity. By coating the wire with a suitable dielectric, phase velocity is further reduced and the surface wave is propagated with greater efficiency.
The G-line can also be derived from a coaxial cable in which the diameter of the outer conductor is gradually increased. Ultimately, the conductor becomes so large that its effect on the field is negligible and the coaxial wave is thus gradually transformed into a surface wave.
This is in fact achieved by the launching horn and tapered wire that terminate the G-line.

The surface wave extends only a few wave lengths from the line. Within this region, however, signals can be coupled into and out of the wave by radial or parallel-wire probes.

Cross-talk among several parallel G-lines could occur if they are not separated by several wavelengths. It can be minimized, however, by using a different thickness of dielectric for each line so that each surface wave has a different velocity. There is little or no cross-talk bet ween signals propagating in opposite directions.


Termination and wave propagation of G-line. Note the taper of wire and insulation at the narrow end of the horn. This structure converts the coaxial wave to a surface wave. Radiation extends a few wavelengths from the line.


Coupling methods for the G-line. Radial coupler at left is suitable for communication to moving vehicles such as trains and mobile TV cameras. Longitudinal coupler at right, developed in Russia, is for fixed applications. The several types of longitudinal couplers that have been designed are considerably more efficient than the radial couplers.


G-line system for $10-\mathrm{kw}, 500-\mathrm{mc}$ television station in Munich. The line runs from launching horn at lower right to receiving horn near middle of the tower
approximately $\$ 750$ per mile.
In industry, G-lines are being proposed in lieu of coaxial cables and open lines for mobile, closed-circuit television. Steel mills and atomic installations are considering use of G-line in such systems. A security fence, where the presence of intruders would disturb wave propagation along the surface of the line, has also been proposed.

Long-haul communications via G-line are presently limited to a few community antenna TV systems here and abroad and to an experimental telephone circuit in Paris installed by Lignes Telegraphiques et Telephoniques.

In this country, a 14 -mile G-line provides community TV for Helena, Mont. The line, which has been operating realiably for almost five years employs eight intermediate repeaters. These were not, however, specifically designed for use with the G-line, and a lesser number of more efficient units would be adequate. Other G-lines for community TV and broadcasting have been installed at Muscle Shoals, Ala., France, England, Ger-


Launching horn at repeater along the community TV feeder system for Helena, Mont. The 14 -mile-long G. line was strung on existing poles at a total cost of $\$ 890$ per mile
many, Austria and Japan. Costs are said to be a fraction of those for coaxial or microwave relays.

An apparent disadvantage of G-line for long-haul systems is that it cannot be buried but must be strung on poles.
"In this age of satellites, I suppose that telephone poles seem primitive, but it is unfortunate that this psychological barrier prevents designers from realizing the broadband, low loss and low cost advantages of G-line," declares Theodore Hafner, president of Surface Conduction, Inc., N. Y., licensors of the G-line. Dr. Hafner has proposed a world-wide "information thruway" of lines across the U'.S., Latin America, and Eurasia, connected by a microwave link across the Bering Strait.

Dr. Hafner believes that such a system would be more reliable than communications satellites and do the job at a fraction of their cost. "For underdeveloped nations, the low cost and installation ease of G-line makes it an ideal transmission medium," Dr. Hafner added. He also noted that surface wave trans-

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mission lines are being developed by Russia and Communist China.

Because the G-line propagates information via closed surface waves, it provides an essentially radiationless "private atmosphere" for broad-band transmission not regulated by the FCC. This, together with acceptably low loss over a wide part of the spectrum, has stimulated interest in the line for highdensity microwave communications. With a $500-\mathrm{mc}$ carrier, up to 250 mc of band-width would be available, it is claimed.

Somewhat wider acceptance of the G-line has occurred in antenna line applications. The Signal Corps has specified G-lines for its TRC-29 and AN/GRC-59 radio relay equipment. The first operates in the $2-\mathrm{Gc}$ range, while latter covers 4.4 to 5.0 Gc . The line for the AN/GRC-59 has a loss of 3 db per 100 ft in contrast to 14 db for coaxial cable, according to the Signal Corps.

The G-line is also smaller and more flexible than coaxial cable and can thus be easily reeled. It consists of 37 strands of No. 36 silver-plated, copper-clad steel and is Tefloncoated.

Above 5 Gc rain and ice accumulating on the line tends to affect performance since water droplets act as radiating dipoles. Losses of up to 15 db per 100 ft have been recorded under these conditions. However, Signal Corps engineers have designed a mechanical hammer that vibrates the line sufficiently to dislodge the droplets. In addition, a de-icing current equivalent to 3 w per ft is applied to the cable.
The G-line has also been used overseas in several vhf and uhf television transmitters, notably in a 10 -kw system erected in Germany by Rohde \& Schwartz. Considerable economy over coaxial lines is claimed and Surface Conduction, Inc., is preparing several bids for forthcoming vhf and uhf transmitters in this country. Dr. Hafner believes that the higher powers required in uhf television will increase the attractiveness of G-line to designers. Plans are also under way to market a complete uhf lead-in system for home and amateur use. This would consist of the line itself and launching and receiving horns.

Surface wave transmission lines may also prove useful in millimeter-wave work. Experiments in the 100 - to $300-\mathrm{Gc}$ range by

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## Microwaves

Electronic Communications, Inc., Timonium, Md., indicate that such lines exhibit much less attenuation than do rectangular waveguides. At 150 Gc , loss in the surface lines tested averaged about 0.03 db per ft .
These lines are uninsulated, solid copper. It is believed that surface irregularities and contamination provide sufficient wave slowing at the surface to excite the nonradiating modes. - ■

## Plastic Waveguides Under Test in Labs

Experimental plastic waveguides said to cost approximately $\$ 10$ per ft are being tested by the Bell Telephone Laboratories and the Bendix Corp. The guides consist of copper-plated epoxy pipe manufactured by Resisto Chemical, Inc., of Wilmington, Del.

Resisto developed the pipe primarily for handling corrosive fluids, but the highly polished interior surface achieved in extruding the pipe suggested waveguide applications. For this purpose the interior is either copperplated or silver-plated, with the metallic finish retaining the high lustre of the unplated pipe.

Samples of 2-in. ID copper-plated circular pipe are being tested by Bell, which for some years has done considerable research into metallic circular waveguides. These tests have just begun, and the findings are not available at this time.

Bendix, on the other hand, has ordered a rectangular pipe of 0.4 -in.-by- 0.9 -in. interior cross-section for its test program.

Advantages claimed for the epoxy waveguide include low cost, uniform interior finish and good environmental characteristics.

Resisto has also developed an epoxy-carbon composition pipe of unusual electrical characteristics. Because of the orientation of the carbon particles achieved in extrusion, electrical resistance along the length of the pipe is much lower than resistance through the wall. Longitudinally the pipe has good relative electrical conductivity, while transversely it is an insulator.

# Practical Design of Magnetic Radar Modulators 



Because of their high reliability, series-type magnetic modulators are being increasingly applied in radar systems. In this article, author Philip gives a step-by-step procedure for designing such modulators and indicates the areas of possible compromise among weight, efficiency and other operating characteristics. A dc-operated version, made practical by the recent development of heavy-duty silicon controlled rectifiers, is also discussed.

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$T$HE BASIC ac resonant magnetic modulator (first proposed by Melville) ${ }^{1}$ is shown in Fig. 1. Circuit consists of the following:

- Ac input source.
- Ac resonant charging circuit ( $L, C_{1}$ ).
- First compression stage ( $C_{1}, P_{1}, P_{2}$ ).
- Intermediate compression stage ( $C_{2}, P_{2}$. $P_{3}$ ).
- Final pulse forming network ( $C, P$ ).
- Bias circuit.

The pulsactor in each of the compression stages acts as a closed switch when it is unsaturated and as an open switch when saturated. A sine wave from the input source thus passes through the modulator as a series of successively narrower half-sine waves. Sufficient compression stages are included to narrow the half-sine wave to the
approximate pulse end value. The pulse forming network then generates the wave form required for the proper firing of the particular magnetron specified in the radar system.

Typical voltage and current waveforms for successive portions of a magnetic modulator are illustrated in Fig 2. In a typical radar system the output pulse may have the following characteristics:

- Length-0.5 $\mu \mathrm{sec}$
- Pulse repetition frequency-2,000 pps
- Peak voltage- $1,500 \mathrm{v}$
- Peak current-15 amps

Design of the modulator is generally constrained by several pre-established system parameters. These include:

- Modulator load impedance ( $R$ ), in ohms
- Modulator load voltage $\left(V_{R}\right)$, in volts
- Pulse width of the modulator load voltage ( $\tau$ ), in seconds


Fig. I. Ac resonant magnetic modulator. Circuit includes three cempression stages with final stage $\left(C_{3}, P_{3}\right)$ also serving as pulse-forming network. Bias is shown only for the first stage, though the designer may elect to bias subsequent compression stages as well.

- Angular frequency of the input source ( ${ }^{\text {anupply }}$ ), in radians
For rapid design of the modulator within these parameters, the following procedure is suggested:

1. Determine required number of compression stages.
2. Design pulsactors for each stage.
3. Compute the capacitance values for each stage.
4. Determine the bias for the first pulsactor.
5. Calculate the inductance of the resonant charging choke.
6. Determine the required supply voltage.
7. Breadboard modulator and modify component values to improve performance.
8. Redesign the modulator to contain one more and one less compression stage than initially chosen; then calculate performance and physical characteristics of the new designs.
9. Select final configuration from these designs to satisfy the most important requirement (weight, size, efficiency).
The methods detailed for each step assume lossless components in the initial design.

First Step - Determine Required Number of Compression Stages. The number of stages required in the modulator is to some extent a function of the over-all compression ratio $(\rho)$ achieved by the unit.

$$
\begin{equation*}
\rho=\frac{\mathbf{1}}{2 f_{\text {w upply }} T} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

A fairly typical $\rho$ of 400 is assumed in this article.

From the standpoint of minimum core ma-


Fig. 2. Voltage and current waveforms in various elements of the modulator. Note progressive compression of the voltage and current waves from input to output. The auxiliary schematic is n simplified version of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3. Nomogram to determine supply voltage for initial design of the modulator. To use the nomogram: (1) draw a line between known circuit values of $\lambda \beta$ and $f_{1 n}$ and mark its intersection on the $f_{\text {in }}$ $\Delta \beta$ line; (2) draw a second line between known circuit values of $A$ and $N$ for the first pulsactor and mark its intersection on the A.N line; (3) connect the points on the $f_{1 n}-\Delta \beta$ and $A \cdot N$ lines and read intersection on the $V_{r m}$ scale.

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KEY: A-N — VRMS—IIN- $\Delta \beta$
EXAMPLE: GIVEN: $\Delta \beta=20,000$ GAUSS $A=1.0 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
$\mathrm{N}=200$ TURNS $\mathrm{fIN}^{\circ} 2,000 \mathrm{CPS}$
$V_{\text {Rus }}=12 I \mathrm{~V}$
terial, Mathias and Williams: have derived the following optimum number of compression stages as a function of $\mu$.

| $p$ | Optimum Number of Stages ( n ) |
| :---: | :---: |
| 10 | -1 |
| 50 | 7 |
| 100 | 9 |
| 200 | 10 |
| 500 | 12 |

If one considers the weight of the associated capacitors, chassis, wiring, etc., minimum total weight is achieved by selecting a lesser number of stages than $n$. A feel for this trade-off can be obtained from the following table which illustrates the effect on core weight when using a lesser number of stages in an optimally 11 -stage design.

$$
\begin{array}{cc}
\text { Number of stages } & \begin{array}{c}
\text { Core Weight } \\
\text { (Referenced to } \\
\text { three stages) }
\end{array}
\end{array}
$$

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| 2 | 5.10 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3 | 1.00 |
| 4 | 0.48 |
| 5 | 0.33 |
| 6 | 0.26 |

The weights are expressed with reference to a three-stage design, as it has been found from experience that this number of stages is a good compromise in most applications requiring a compression ratio between 150 and 300 . The selection of three or four stages is strongly suggested for the initial design.

Second Step - Design Pulsactors for Each Stage. To assure satisfactory matching between the modulator and its load, it is preferable to begin the design from the load end and work back toward the supply. Proper matching is, in fact, the major consideration in design of the last stage. The design equations presented here for the last stage have been modified from generalized equations by
inclusion of constants specifically calculated to result in optimum matching.

Melville shows that for maximum unidirectional current through the load, $L_{*_{3}}$ (the saturated inductance of the pulse transformer secondary winding) is

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{a s}=0.265 R_{\text {lond }} \tau \text { henries } \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

The turns-area product of this winding is
$N_{:} A_{3}=\frac{13.7 V_{\text {load }} T}{2 \beta_{n}} \times 10^{\text {c turns }}-\mathrm{cm}^{2}$
where $\beta_{\Omega}$ is the saturation flux density of the core material in $P$.
This turns-area product is chosen to permit $C_{3}$ to charge fully in an interval of 10 T and represents a compromise between efficiency of the final compression stage and application of minimum reverse voltage to the load. A charging interval shorter than 10 t tends to increase the reverse voltage,


Fig. 4. Circuir showing nomenclature used in compuring capacitances.


Fig. 5. Power loss breakdown in a typical ac magnetic modulator.
while one longer than $10 \tau$ reduces efficiency Core volume for the pulsactor in the final stage is given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
v_{3}=\frac{4 \pi\left(N_{3} A_{3}\right) \mu_{e_{3}} \mathrm{~cm}^{3}}{L_{e_{3}}} \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mu_{8_{3}}$ is the permeability of $P_{3}$ at saturation. At this point in the design a value of 1.0 can be safely assumed for $\mu_{s_{3}}$.

For minimum initial total core volume in the three-stage modulator, the three pulsactors should have equal core volumes.

$$
\begin{equation*}
v_{1}=v_{2}=v_{3} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Assuming that identical magnetic cores are used in each stage, the turns on each pulsactor are related by the equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
N_{1}=10 N_{2}=100 N_{\mathrm{s}} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

The progressive decrease of inductance between successive stages results in voltage compression from stage to stage. However, the unsaturated inductance of the third pulsactor should be much greater than the saturated inductance of the second pulsactor for efficient discharge of $C_{2}$ into $C_{3}$.

The saturated inductance ( $L_{s_{1}}$ ) of the first pulsactor should be such that the circuit $C_{1} P_{1} C_{2}$ will resonate at $n$ times the input frequency. The term $n$ is known as the compression factor and is typically chosen between 5 and 10. Thus,

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{x_{1}}=\frac{1}{4 \pi^{2} f_{2}^{2}\left(\frac{C_{1} C_{2}}{C_{1}+C_{2}}\right)} \text { henries } \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $f_{2}=n f_{1}$
Similarly, the saturated inductance of the second pulsactor must form a series resonant circuit with $C_{2}$ and $C_{3}$ at $n f_{2}$, where $n$

## Table 1. Factors in determining number of bias turns on the first pulsactor.

| Many Turns on a Core Of Small Cross-Sectional Area | Few Turns on a Core <br> Of Large Cross-Sectional Area |
| :---: | :---: |
| Input circuit power factor is improved if $\sigma>2 .{ }^{1}$ | Input circuit power factor is poor if $a<2 .{ }^{1}$ |
| Compression of the first stage is small. ( $L_{s}$, is large) | Compression of first stage is large. ( $L_{s_{1}}$ is small) |
| $l^{2} R$ loss is large and larger $C_{1}$ may be required. | $\mathrm{I}^{2} \mathrm{R}$ loss is small. |
| Unit may be heavier (more copper) but core may be smaller. | Unit may be lighter (less copper) but core loss may increase. |
| Larger bias is required to reset core, larger rectifiers are thus needed. | Smaller bias is required to reset the core. |
| Resonant frequency of a-c resonant charging circuit is affected only slightly. | Resonant frequency of a.c resonant charging circuit is affected. |

is the compression factor for the second stage. Therefore,

$$
L_{\delta_{2}}=\frac{1}{4 \pi^{2} f_{3}{ }^{2}\left(\frac{C_{2} C_{3}}{C_{2}+C_{3}}\right)}
$$

where $f_{3}=n f_{2}$.
With core volume and inductance for the first pulsactor now established, the designer must determine the most practical number of turns for the core. Several considerations involved in arriving at a compromise between relatively many or few turns are listed in Table I.

Third Step - Compute the Capacitance Values for Each Stage. For maximum unidirectional current through the load, the capacitance of the third stage is

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{\mathrm{x}}=\frac{1.06 \tau}{R_{\text {load }}} \text { farads } \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

Maximum energy transfer between stages is theoretically obtained when all stages have equal capacitance.

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{1}=C_{2}=C_{3} \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

This approximation is adequate for the initial design. In practice, however, there should be slight, progressive increases of capacitance between stages.

Fourth Step - Determine the Bias for the First Pulsactor. The first pulsactor core must be biased via a separate winding so that saturation is not reached until one full cycle of input current has elapsed. The bias sets the operating point on the magnetization loop of the core and provides for stable, cyclic operation of the circuit.

The magnetizing force $\left(H_{p}\right)$ that must be developed by the bias winding for proper operation of the modulator is

$$
\begin{equation*}
H_{p} \approx \frac{0.4 \pi N_{1}\left(C_{1} V_{c_{1}} f_{\text {oupply }}\right)}{l} \text { oersteds } \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

where
$l=$ mean length of the magnetic path of core $P_{1}$ in cm ,
$V_{c 1}=$ peak charged voltage across $C_{1}$ ( $\pi \sqrt{2} V_{\text {rmit supply }}$ ) and
$N_{1}=$ Number of turns on main winding of $P_{1}$.
Fifth Step - Calculate Inductance of the Resonant Charging Choke. The modulator described here employs full-cycle charging in which the voltage across the resonant charging capacitor $C_{3}$ reaches a theoretical (lossless) peak of $V_{\mathrm{m}} \pi$ where the input

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voltage is $V_{m} \sin \omega t$. The charging choke is thus designed to resonate with the $C_{1}$ at the supply frequency. Accordingly,

$$
L=\frac{1}{4 \pi\left(f_{\text {supply }}\right)^{2} C_{1}} \text { henry }
$$

Sixth Step - Determine the Required Supply Voltage. There are two separate methods the designer can employ to determine the required input voltage. He can note the energy required to saturate the first pulsactor, allow for losses in the charging circuit, and specify an input voltage that will deliver the required energy at the output.

Since over-all efficiency cannot be readily calculated before the breadboard is assembled, the first method is more suitable for the initial design. It has been found in practice that the equation

$$
\begin{equation*}
V_{r m a}=\frac{\Delta \beta N_{1} A_{1} f_{i n} \times 10^{-9}}{0.66} \text { volts } \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

where all terms refer to the first pulsactor, is a useful approximation for the required supply voltage. This equation has been reduced to the nomogram of Fig. 3.

In the second method it can be shown that

$$
\begin{equation*}
V_{i m v}=\frac{0.707}{\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2\left(V_{R} \text { peak }\right)^{2} \tau}{C_{1} R \eta / \text { modulator }}} \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

Seventh Step - Breadboard Modulator and Modify Component Values to Improve Performance. Due to inefficiency in each stage, capacitor values should increase progressively from the supply end to the load end. In the three-stage modulator described here, $C_{1}>C_{2}>C_{1}$. The increase in capacitance is inversely proportional to the efficiency. In the circuit of Fig. 4, for example,

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{b}=\frac{C_{i}}{\eta_{i}} \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

The total loss in each stage is the sum of the hysteresis and eddy current losses ${ }^{5}$ in the pulsactor core and the copper loss in the winding. Losses in the capacitors can generally be neglected.

$$
\eta_{c}=\frac{Q}{\pi}\left(1-{ }^{c}-\frac{\pi}{\varphi}\right)
$$

(16)
where
$Q=\frac{\omega_{0} L}{R}$, and
$R=$ all losses of the input circuit.

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Power loss breakdown in a typical magnetic modulator is illustrated in Fig. 5. The final stage generally has the greatest core loss which varies directly as the core volume of the final pulsactor.

The pulsactor in the first stage, however, has many more turns than does the final pulsactor. Thus, the core initially chosen may not accommodate both the main and the bias windings. In this event, a core with a larger window area must be chosen.

The main winding of each pulsactor performs two functions. In the unsaturated state, the turns-area product must be such that the pulsactor can absorb the volt-second product applied to the core. In the saturated state, inductance must be sufficiently small to provide the required pulse compression. The turns on each core may have to be modified to arrive at a suitable compromise between saturated and unsaturated inductance requirements.

In some instances bias of subsequent pulsactor stages may be desirable. However, the designer must weight the advantage of increased efficiency against the disadvantages of added weight, size and circuit complexity if separate bias schemes are used for each pulsactor.

In practice, a self-biasing circuit can be used in preference to the separate dc supply shown in Fig. 1.

Final Design Steps. At this point the designer can consider alternate choices containing one stage more and one stage less than the trial breadboard. These can be de-
veloped on paper and the trends in weight, size and efficiency noted. If either of the alternate designs appears particularly promising, it should be breadboarded and performance evaluated before arriving at a final choice.

A disadvantage of the ac resonant magnetic modulator is that the pulse repetition rate is identical to the input frequency. Pulse width may be varied by switching different components into the circuit, but this is at best a cumbersome process.

Greater flexibility of operation is possible through dc resonant charging in which pulse rate and width can be controlled by switching the input current. Until recently, however, such switching could be accomplished only with thyratrons, whose use is not consistent with the reliability desired of a solidstate device. However, the recent advent of high-power silicon controlled rectifiers has led to renewed interest in dc resonant magnetic modulators.

A typical de resonant modulator is shown in Fig. 6. Apart from greater operating flexibility, replacement of the first pulsactor by the silicon controlled rectifier provides greater pulse compression in the first stage.

In Fig. 6, the de resonant charging capacitor $C_{1}$ charges to $2 E_{\text {b }}$ through resonant charging choke $L$ and hold-off diode $\boldsymbol{C R}$. The charge remains until a gating pulse is applied to the silicon controlled rectifier SCR. Energy is discharged into (C) and pulse compression occurs in the same manner as described for the ac modulator The circuitry beyond $C_{2}$ is identical to that in the ac modulator.

Detailed design procedures for the input stages of the de magnetic modulator are described in the literature by Manteuffel and Conper:" -

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# Doppler Modulation Systems-The Pros and Cons 


#### Abstract

Choice of modulation systems is a major element in the keen competition among manufacturers of Doppler equipment. Each of the four major systems now in use has inherent advantages and limitations with respect to its applications in a particular class of vehicle. Doppler experts Whitney and Laschever analyze the four modulation systems in a concise but to-the-point article that should be of value to designers interested in the fast-growing Doppler field.


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THE WAY in which the transmitted signal is modulated is the most important factor in determining whether a Doppler velocity sensor will perform satisfactorily in a given aircraft or space vehicle.

Four basic modulation systems are used. They are:

- Cw-continuous wave
- Self-coherent pulse
- Fm/cw-frequency modulated cw
- Icw-Interrupted cw

Block diagrams of the four systems are illustrated in Figs. 1 through 4. Each system employs several microwave beams and associated receiver/frequency tracker channels so as to measure velocity along more than one coordinate axis. However, Figs. 1 through 4 illustrate only one channel for each system as other channels operate in a similar manner.
The cw system transmits and receives continuously. The self-coherent pulse system transmits low-duty-cycle rf pulses and receives for the rest of its operating cycle.

The fm cw system receives continuously while continuously transmitting a cyclical frequen-cy-swept carrier. The icw system alternately transmits and receives during nearly equal periods whose durations vary with the altitude of the vehicle.

Cw and fm cw systems derive the Doppler shift, $f_{l}=2 / \lambda_{t} v_{i}$ cps by continuous comparison of the transmitted and received signals. ( $\lambda_{t}$ is the transmitted wavelength and $v_{i}$ the velocity along the i-th beam).

An icw system operates in much the same manner except that the sample of the transmitted signal is derived from a cw oscillator coherent with the transmitted pulse during the receiving interval.

In the self-coherent pulse system signals


Fig. 1. Cw Doppler system Iransmits and receives continuously. Velocity is determined merely by tracking the Doppler frequency shiff $f_{D}$. Signal leakage from transmitter to receiver is noted in the diagram.
from a forward pointing and rearward pointing antenna are compared (providing twice the Doppler shift noted above).

The pros and cons of each system are summarized in Table 1. Generally, advantages such as design simplicity, good utilization of transmitted power and stable operation are accompanied by such drawbacks as noise, signal leakage, complex antenna structures and altitude "holes".

Cw systems offer simple design (a modulator is not needed) and maximum use of transmitted power. The performance penalties result from:

- Signals leakage form the transmitting to the receiving antenna.
- Uncontrollable noise content of the transmitted signal.
- Inability to discriminate between near and distant signals.
The advent of progressively quieter transmitting tubes should to some extent alleviate the signal noise drawbacks of cw Doppler. However, random, low-frequency modulation of the leakage signal induced by vibrating surfaces near the antennas introduces a masking noise level that remains a problem.

Lack of range discrimination results in noise figures of 30 db or greater above receiver thermal noise for cw Dopplers. Highaltitude and low-velocity performance are thus limited.
In general, system performance of cw Dopplers can be considered signal-to-leakage limited rather than signal-to-noise limited. Increasing transmitter power is of little avail as working noise level is similarly increased.
Self-coherent pulsed Doppler overcomes tube noise and leakage problems by shutting
off the transmitter during the receiving interval of the operating cycle. These advantages are accompanied by three new drawbacks which may rule out this system in certain applications.

The frequency difference in returns from a single pulse of rf energy transmitted in two opposite directions provides sufficient information for measuring horizontal velocity in the plane of the two beams. However, one cannot distinguish which of the two return signals is of higher frequency. This information cannot be extracted because a coherent reference is not present. Additionally, the system cannot sense when both frequencies change by the same amount (as would be the case for vertical motion) since velocity is sensed as the difference between forward and rearward frequency shifts.

The antenna must be vertically stabilized to assure "simultaneity" (similar Doppler spectra) of returns which are to be compared.

Self-coherent pulse Dopplers employ conventional pulse radar receiver techniques, reaching typical system noise figures as low as 12 to 15 db above thermal noise. The duration and high peak power of the transmitted pulse, in addition to finite receiver recovery time, cause a low-altitude hole extending to at least 300 ft . Below this altitude, the return signal is obscured by the main bang.

Fm/cw Doppler avoids the noise and leakage problems of the cw system and the velocity sense and vertical sense problems of the self-coherent pulse technique but introduces serious "altitude hole" problems.
The transmitted and local oscillator signals are identically frequency-modulated. When the received signal is mixed with the local oscillator, no output is obtained from the mixer unless the signal is delayed by the round trip time. If the signal is delayed, the Doppler shift frequency is derived by combining the mixer output with the modulation frequency and measuring the resulting difference. Leakage signals, not being delayed by a detectable amount, produce no output from the mixer.

Altitude holes occur when the round trip time is equal to the period of the modulation frequency, or some multiple of it. These are due to the inability of the mixer to distinguish between a 0 delay and a 360 -deg delay. This problem is less critical at high altitudes because there is a spectrum of round trip times within the finite width of the an-

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Table 1. Characteristics of Doppler Modulation Systems

| Modulation System | Advantages | Disadvantages |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cw | Simplicity <br> Modulator not required Transmitter carrier frequency relatively easy to stabilize Maximum utilization of all radiated power Transmitter provides coherent reference for receiver | Maximum altitude performance limited by sig. nal-to-leakage ratio rather than signal-to-receiver noise ratio. (Keeping this ratio high implies considerable art in antenna design and antenna installation). <br> Tracking of Doppler ground return may be inaccurate or impossible due to biasing or masking effects of direct signal leakage modulated by acoustical or engine-induced vibrations. <br> Must employ separate antennas for transmitting and receiving (more antenna bulk for given beamwidth than any of other types) Requires self-contained radome. |
| Self-Coherent Pulse (Low-Duty-Cycle Pulse) | Simple Transmitter Pulse-to-pulse frequency stability of transmitted pulse not required. <br> Local oscillator not required. Doppler velocities (frequencies) are Janus-stabilized against aircraft pitch and roll thus reduc. ing frequency tracking rate re. quirement. | Cannot detect velocity sense (direction) <br> Must stabilize antenna in pitch and roll (complex, heavy, slower) <br> Poor use of total radiated power. <br> Propagation losses degrade to $1 / R^{\nu}$ at high altitudes. <br> High transmitted peak power and receiver recovery time preclude elimination of low-altitude hole. |
| Fm/Cw | Relative simplicity <br> Leakage signals produce no output. <br> Local oscillator (LO) signal is a sample of transmitted power so problem of providing a strong coherent LO signal during receiver on time (requiring sidestep LO, microwave amplification, etc.) is avoided. | No way to eliminate lowest altitude hole (from zero to say 300-500 ft.) <br> Low-altitude hole introduces serious tracking inaccuracies prior to complete loss of Doppler return. <br> High altitude holes exist (effect may be minimized but at the cost of wider beamwidths than necessary and degraded tracking accuracy). <br> Transmitted power utilization 10 db poorer than ideal cw system, 7 db poorer than icw . Does not operate through 0 velocity. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Icw (High } \\ & \text { Duty Cycle) } \end{aligned}$ | Uses same antenna for transmitting and receiving. <br> Antenna may be hard mounted. <br> Self-contained radome not necessary. <br> Direct signal leakage impossible <br> Vibrating surfaces in near environment not important. | Maintaining transmitter coherence during receive interval requires side-step local oscillator technique and microwave amplification with attendant complexity. <br> Requires prf change as a function of altitude to prevent altitude holes. <br> Requires transmit-receive overlap operation at low altitudes to avoid zero-altitude hole. |



Fig. 3. Fm/cw Doppler transmits continuous, frequencymodulated signal. Internal reference signal is similarly modulated. Signal leakage problem is thus eliminated as the system cannot generate an output when the leakage signal is identical to the reference signal. Signals delayed by a round trip will, however, be shifted in frequency and will be detected by the system.


Fig. 2. Self-coherent pulse Doppler employs Janus antennas. (two antennas transmitting or receiving simultaneously). Since the antennas point in opposite directions, their Doppler shifts have opposite signs. The two received signals are combined so that the velocity is proportional to $2 f_{l}$,


Fig. 4. Icw Doppler combines pulsed transmission with variable prf to eliminate oltitude holes and signal leakage. For any given prf there exist round trip times that coincide with the intervals during which the receiver coincide with the intervals during which the receiver
is off. These are avoided by decreasing the prf in discrete steps as the altitude increases. An intermediate frequency detection system is then employed to deter. mine the Doppler shift.

Table 2. Doppler Modulation Technique Applicability

| Class of Air or Space Vehicle | Medium Altitude, Low Maneuverability | High Altitude Medium Maneuverability | Low.Medium Altitude, High Maneuverability | Extremely High Altitude, High Maneuverability |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Examples | Commercial \& Military Jet Transports | Fighters, Bombers Reconnaissance A/C | Helicopters V/STOL | Space Vehicles Space Probes |
| Applicable Criteria (See Text) | None | A, E, G, H | $\begin{gathered} \text { B, C, D, E, F, } \\ \text { G. H } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { A, B, C, D, E, } \\ & \text { F, G, H } \end{aligned}$ |
| Doppler Modulation Technique |  |  |  |  |
| Cw | X |  | X |  |
| Self-Coherent Pulse | X | X |  |  |
| Fm/Cw | X |  |  |  |
| Icw | X | x | X | X |

## Microwaves

In selecting a Doppler modulation system for a given application, one or more of the following criteria may apply:
A. Must performance be optimum over a large range of altitudes?
B. Is operation to 0 altitudes essential?
C. Is 0 velocity demanded?
D. Is a knowledge of velocity sense needed?
E. Is vertical velocity required?
F. Is high dynamic response necessary for hovering control?
G. Must operation remain unimpaired under unusual pitch and/or roll?
H. Are installation requirements extreme? (available space for antenna aperture, vibration levels, etc.)
Table II indicates how the several Doppler systems can best be combined with actual vehicles. The vehicle in which the Doppler equipment is to be used may belong to any of four classes as defined in the table.

For the first class, consisting of mediumaltitude, low-maneuverability aircraft such as commercial or military jet transports, all four types of modulation systems will perform satisfactorily: In practice, self-coherent pulse and $\mathrm{fm} / \mathrm{cw}$ Dopplers are preferred because of somewhat lower cost.

In the high-altitude, medium-maneuverability class, encompassing many fighters, bombers and reconnaissance aircraft, cw Doppler, while used in some instances, is apt to be ruled out at altitudes above, say, 50,00) ft. Self-coherent pulse and $\mathrm{fm} / \mathrm{cw}$ Dopplers have been used here, though their performance at very low altitudes may disqualify them for airplanes that may also be called upon to fly sustained low-altitude missions. Total coverage of all possible operational altitudes is likely to be best met by an icw Doppler.

Helicopters and V/STOL (Vertical/Short Take-Off and Landing) vehicles commonly employ cw or icw Dopplers. Low-altitude holes limit the use of self-coherent pulsed and $\mathrm{fm} / \mathrm{cw}$ systems. The icw system may offer some advantage over cw Dopplers in performance near 0 velocity and at negative velocities.

Space vehicles and probes will likely employ icw modulation because of its favorable signal-to-noise ratio and high altitude capability. For short range terminal guidance in planetary landings, however, cw Doppler may also prove satisfactory. - -

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Polarad Electronics Corp., Dept. ED, 43-20 34th St., Long Island City 1, N. Y.

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ITT Federal Laboratories, Dept. ED, Fort Wayne, Ind.
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General Precision, Inc., Kearfott Div., Microwave Products, Dept. ED, 14844 Oxnard St., Van Nuys, Calif.

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Working principles of silicon fieldeffect transistors are described in a four-page booklet. It gives parameters and typical circuits. Crystalonics, Inc., 249 Fifth St., Cambridge, Mass.

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## Digital Modules

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The firm's T-PAC series plug-in digital modules are described in this 12-page catalog. Block diagrams, specifications and prices are given. Computer Control Co., Inc., 983 Concord St., Framingham, Mass.

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## Parabolic Antenna Calculator

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A line of airborne fm telemetering instruments is described in this four-page condensed catalog. Included are descriptions and condensed specifications of subcarrier oscillators, mixers and amplifiers, reference oscillators and calibration units, and vhf power amplifiers and transmitters. ElectroMechanical Research, Inc., Sarasota, Fla.

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Electrical performance and mechanical dimensions of standard EIA waveguides between IVR10 and WR2300 are tabled on this notebooksize waveguide chart. Standard JAN flange references and a cross reference between WR and RG numbers are given. Multiplication and scaling factors are also tabled. Microwave Development Laboratories, Inc., 15 Strathmore Road, Natick Industrial Centre, Natick, Mass.

## Data-Handling Systems

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Product Digest No. 160, 18 pages, catalogs a line of data-handling instruments including oscillographs, telemetering equipment, instrumentation and audio tape systems, and servo devices. Illustrations, descriptions, and general specifications are given. Midwestern Instruments, P. O. Box 7509, Tulsa 18, Okla.

## Rare Earths

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Thorium, yttrium chemicals, and metals and alloys of rare earths are cataloged in this eight-page brochure. Properties and chemical analyses of over 50 products are listed. Vitro Chemical Co., 342 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

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## Oscilloscopes

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This 15-page abridged catalog describes the firm's line of conventional, portable, and rack-mounted oscilloscopes. Auxiliary equipment is also covered. Illustrations, specifications, and prices are included. Tektronix, Inc., P. O. Box 500, Beaverton, Ore.

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Tunnel diode voltage comparator uses diodes biased to form a flip-flop.
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\begin{equation*}
r=\frac{23}{28} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
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When the potentiometers are biased symmetrically by the voltages $\pm \boldsymbol{A}$ and the outputs from the sine and cosine wipers are summed separately, they produce the signals:

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\begin{align*}
& f_{s}(t)=\underset{0}{\operatorname{A\Sigma }} \sin \left(r^{n} \omega_{0} t+\phi_{n}\right) .  \tag{2}\\
& 19 \\
& f_{t}(t)=A \underset{()}{\underset{~(~}{S}} \cos \left(r^{n} \omega_{n} t+\phi_{n}\right) \text {. } \tag{3}
\end{align*}
$$

where the phases $\phi_{n}$ are random.
By a gear shift, either one of the following two basic frequencies may be selected:

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\begin{equation*}
f_{0}=f_{\mathrm{mas}}=\frac{\omega_{\rho}}{2 \pi}=1 \text { or } 2 \mathrm{cps} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Consequently, for the first setting the twenty component frequencies cover the range 0.0 .0228 to 1.0000 cps . By using one multiplier the fol lowing signal may be generated:

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F(t)=f_{c}(t)\left[f_{c}(t)+f_{r}(t)+A\right]-10 A^{2}
$$



Fig. 1. Twenty wire wound sine-cosine potentiometers are driven on a single shaft in this repeatable, whitenoise signal generator



Fig. 2. (a) Sample of signal output, $F(t)$ of the white noise generator with (b) Number of component frequencies within steps of 0.1 cps .
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 $\left.\left.r^{m}\right) \omega_{0} t+\left(\phi_{n}+\phi_{m}\right)\right]$
$+\cos \left[\left(r^{n}-r^{m}\right) \omega_{0} t+\left(\phi_{n}-\phi_{m}\right)\right] \quad(5)$
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Because the numerator of the ratio $r$ in Eq. 1 is a prime number, the ratio is irrational. Thus, the number of rotations of the fastest shaft necessary for all the terms of the genmetric series:

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1, \frac{23}{28}, \ldots .,\left(\frac{23}{28}\right)^{19}
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to become integers is $28^{19}$. When this value is reached the signal will start repeating for the first time. Since each rotation requires one second, the repetition period is $28^{10} \mathrm{sec}$ or $10^{23} \mathrm{yr}$.

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Fig. 1. Slandard flip-flop with relay coil as collector load. Relay will energize when $S_{1}$ is closed.


Fig. 2. Relay will not energize, in this modified flipflop, when power is first applied.

It was necessary, in a particular application, that the relay not energize when power was first applied. This problem was solved by adding $\boldsymbol{R}_{1} \boldsymbol{C}_{1}$ as shown in Fig. 2.

When power is first applied to this circuit, a negative pulse is coupled by $\boldsymbol{R}_{1} C_{1}$ to the base of $Q_{2}$ forcing it to conduct. This sets the flip-flop to the required initial state. After the power has been applied, the RC combination has no further effect on the operation of the circuit.

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Because of their large number of bypass capacitors, multistage transistor amplifiers become bulky and expensive, especially if designed for low cut-off frequencies. Wide-band performance can, however, be obtained if the stages are ac coupled as shown in the figure. Bulk and expense are reduced because only one capacitor is used.

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Negative frigger generates separate pulses of the transistor collectors. Variable delay between these pulses can be obtained by inserting RC elements at base of Q1.

Initially Q1 and Q2 are biased "on". A negative input pulse turns Q1 "off". Capacitor $C 1$ then charges to $B^{*}$ through $R 1$ and the base of Q2 with a time constant R1C1. This positive going signal is transmitted to the base of Q2. Since Q2 is already conducting no change takes place at the collector of Q2.

When the input pulse passes, Q1 is again turned on. The negative signal at the collector of Q1 is transmitted to the base of Q2. This turns Q2 off. Capacitor C1 now starts to charge to $B^{+}$through $R 2$ and the saturation resistance of $Q 1$. It does so with a time constant of approximately R2C1. When it reaches $1 / 2 \mathrm{v}$ it turns Q2 on again and the circuit returns to its quiescent state.

Thus, an output pulse is generated at the collector of Q1 as the input pulse begins, and a second pulse is generated at the collector of $Q 2$ as the input pulse terminates.

The pulse at Q2 can be delayed from the input pulse by adding a time constant element, such as an RC combination, at the base of Q1.

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Positive feedback is adjusted by potentiometer $R 5$ to eliminate all ac from the output. The adjustment from this point, to the point where the switch is locked on, is quite broad.

Transistor $Q_{1}$ is held off by the drop across $C R 3$ caused by the leakage current. Its base is held at ground potential by the return through $R 1$ and $R T 2$ in parallel. The $I_{\text {rHO }}$ of $Q_{1}$ flowing through this combination does not produce a drop sufficient to overcome the threshold voltage of $Q_{1}$ plus the drop across $C R 3$.

Transistor $Q_{2}$ is similarly held off by $C R_{4}$ and R3. An incoming signal is half-wave rectified by CR1 and clamped to ground by $C R 2$. No filtering is used here since the discharge time constant of a filter of sufficient size would materially increase the circuit hysteresis.

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turn $Q_{1}$ on, supplying $Q_{2}$ with a base current path. The output of $Q_{2}$ is rectified by $C R 5$ and filtered by the combination of $C 2$. $R_{4}, R 5$ and the base return of $Q_{1}$. This signal constitutes positive feedback on the base of $Q_{1}$, switching it into saturation. This in turn causes $Q_{2}$ to saturate, producing a pure digital output.

The feedback is actuated so that the dc from the collector of $Q_{2}$ through $R_{4}$ and R5 in series is, by itself, insufficient to keep $Q_{1}$ on. Therefore, when the input signal is removed $Q_{1}$ starts to turn off, causing a regenerative action in the reverse direction. Because the time constant associated with C2 is short, no appreciable hysteresis results.

As the temperature increases the circuit becomes much more sensitive. This occurs because as temperature goes up (a) the threshold potential of $Q_{1}$ and forward drop of CR3 decrease approximately $0.2 \mathrm{mv} / \mathrm{C}$ and (b) $I_{\text {CRO }}$ of $Q_{1}$ increases causing a greater drop across $R 1$ and thermistor $R T 2$ in parallel.

However, the resistance of $R T 2$ decreases with increasing temperature, reducing the positive feedback. The circuit operated satisfactorily from 0 C to 40 C .

William C. Silbert, Design Engineer, The Martin Co., Baltimore, Md.

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## Pulse Circuit Provides <br> 731 Sharp, Variable Pulse Delays

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Fig. 1. Delay circuit can be adjusted for variable delays of pulse edges. With $\tau_{1}=\tau_{2}$, factor $K$ equals 1.83 and the input pulse is not distorted. payday without getting a raise


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Fig. 2. (a) Equivalent charging circuil for capacitor $C$ is used to derive expression for $\tau_{2}$. (b) Circuit of (a) can be further reduced by combining voltage sources $K V$ and $V$.
very high input impedance for the emitterfollower, a circuit analysis shows that the delay times, $\tau_{1}$, and $\tau_{2}$, of the edges of the pulse are given by:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \tau_{1} \cong \frac{R C}{2} \ln \frac{K+3}{K-1}  \tag{1}\\
& \tau_{2} \cong R C \ln \frac{K+3}{2} \tag{2}
\end{align*}
$$

These equations are derived from the following considerations:

When $v_{\text {i }}$ goes to $-V$, transistor $T_{1}$ saturates with low $V_{r e}$, and the equivalent charging circuit for capacitor $C$ is as shown in Fig. 2. From Fig. 2b it is seen that:

$$
\begin{equation*}
i_{1}=C \frac{d v_{c}}{d t}=\frac{\frac{V}{2}(K-1)-v_{i}}{\frac{R}{2}} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Integrating Eq. 3 and solving for $t_{1}$, yields :

$$
\begin{equation*}
t_{1}=\frac{R C}{2} \ln \left[\frac{\frac{V}{2}(K+3)}{v_{c}-\frac{v}{2}(K-1)}\right] \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

since at $t_{1}=0, v_{c}=-\boldsymbol{V}$.
When $t_{1}=\tau_{1}$, the capacitor voltage has reached the value $V$ and $T_{1}$ is cut off. Thus Eq. 3 reduces to Eq. 1.

Eq. 2 is derived from the equivalent discharge circuit of capacitor, $C$, taken as $r_{i}$ goes to ground at the end of the input pulse.

For equal edge-delays, that is, for an undistorted pulse, Eqs. 1 and 2 are set equal. This yields:

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card system for psychological conditioning and galvanic skin-response experiments. Why not do the same for electronic circuits? But what indexes to use, or how to classify types of circuits?
Perusal of a book by Perry, Kent and Berry (1956) helped a little. The book discussed aspects of information retrieval, code construction and encoding abstracts. The information, though of a general nature, was very helpful.

At that time I felt the need for a specific electronic index. I looked at the IRE classification system for abstracts, printed in the IRE Proceedings, but I did not use it. I wanted a classification scheme for circuits of personal interest.

Circuits Are Put
On Unisort Cards
I put all of the circuits I had saved on Unisort cards and classified them several ways. Then I put the classifications aside
temporarily. New circuits were saved and categorized. Then I examined the classification system. More specific types of circuits were added to the classification list. The source periodical of the circuit-e.g., Proceedings of the IRE-was dropped.

Fig. 1 shows a sample card in the filing system. The card serves several purposes. It is a bibliographic reference: it provides the author's name, title of article, and source information (such as name of periodical, volume, number, date and page numbers) Next, the circuit itself is presented. Finally comments about the circuit, such as stability or reliability, can be added.

Fig. 2 shows the index card with several dimensions or types of circuit classification on it. The categories of information, starting at the bottom of the card, are: type of circuit, date of publication, type of basic active elements, approximate frequency range, transfer function, approximate complexity or size of circuit, and the author's surname (first and third letters).


Fig. 1. Sample circuit card shows the notches cut into the edges which permit the sorting needles to find circuits with certain features. An important advantage of this system is that it permits one to come up with new uses for circuits.


Fig. 2. Master index card shows where the sorting needles should be inserted for each category. Note the much wider lattitude in cross-indexing permitted by this system as compared to ordinary filing systems.


Dr. Schuster using his card sort system. The needle has been stuck through the category hole in the index card and a circuit falls out.

Cards are coded on these seven categories. These 5 in.-by- 8 -in. cards are coded with a red pencil mark for all possible classifications of the circuit on the card. Then the marks are punched out with a V-shaped punch. The resulting circuit card is notched around its periphery according to the various classifications of the circuit. All circuit cards are piled together in random order.

## Sorting Needles

I sed To Locate Circuits
To find a given circuit, the user inserts a sorting needle into the deck of cards at the spot (or hole) indicating the type of circuit desired. The deck is lifted and jiggled. Most of the cards remain on the sorting needle. Only those cards with that particular hole punched out will drop. And these, of course, contain the circuits of interest to the user.

If a circuit can be classified under several headings within one category, it should be. For instance, a hi-fi set with a tape recorder would be coded both for "Hi-Fi" and "Recorders." If its amplifier circuitry were of special interest, then "Amplifiers, Class A and $2 B^{\prime \prime}$ would also be coded. This overclassification is a real help when looking for a specific circuit, as one may be searching under a different classification than the one that prompted saving of the circuit originally. (This can produce "inventions.")

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A similar reference system for humanfactors literature is described in an article by Carol S. Evans. This utilizes Keysort cards. My electronic-circuits filing system uses Unisort cards.

IRE Classification
Should Be Included
After four years of use, I am fairly satisfied with my present classification system. If I had to do it over again, however, I probably would use the IRE classification as one category, to facilitate the use of the cards by others. Also, I am contemplating changing the "primary transfer function" category to the PERCOS instrument classes (Keller, 1960). These classes are: converter, switch, transducer, amplifier, passive network, indicator, energy source, comparator and storage element.

If the reader wishes to form his own classification lists, an article by A. P. Vigliotta and K. D. Swartzel may help. In reviewing the basic data, their system notes frequent key words, called Kros-Terms. A list of KrosTerms of interest can be used for classification of circuits.

This sytem works fine for a limited interest in circuits. The system is also size-limited: more than 500 cards are difficult to jiggle and sort at one time on the long sorting needle. When more than 500 cards accumulate, the deck is split into several smaller decks of major areas of interest. This system would not be feasible for library use, where more extensive classification and many more cards would be needed. For this, use an IBM card-sort. - -

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