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FOREIGN COMPETITION. Increasing competition for leadership in electronics, from beyond the borders of the U.S., is a fact of our engineering and business life today.

• Japanese transistor imports are still under fire, but this week the fire is being returned. Rising-Sun trade associations have filed a sharp rebuttal to claims that the import level is endangering U.S. national defense. Washington sources indicate the unlikelihood of additional import curbs at this time.

• Canadian broadcasters are showing a keen interest in stereophonic radio. Without benefit of complex committees, a Montreal station will soon be on the air with a-m/a-m stereo for about two hours a day. Plans are afoot to make a-m stereo receivers available in the near future. Meanwhile, listeners will most likely use two separate sets placed six or eight feet apart.

• European missilemakers may become prime suppliers of shortrange antitank wire-guided missiles for the U. S. Army and Marines. This would represent a high-production business amounting to tens of millions of dollars a year. We are currently buying a few French and German antitank missiles for evaluation.

Growing concern of U.S. manufacturers regarding foreign competition can be healthy. Keys to the future include improvement in product quality, reduction of engineering costs and elegant simplicity rather than complexity of design.

W W Mar Donald

EDITOR

Coming In Our January 22 Issue

CRYOGENICS. Research into the behavior of materials at low temperatures is gathering momentum as more and more uses for cryogenic devices arise. One area is the application to computers. Devices such as the superconducting cryotron (ELECTRONICS, p 39, April 17, 1959) give promise of increased speed and diminished size for digital computers.

Properties of materials near absolute zero pose special problems in circuit testing. Measurement of the critical current in superconducting contacts requires test equipment with fast response because of the short periods such currents can be maintained. In our next issue, J. I. Pankove and R. Drake of RCA Laboratories in Princeton, N. J. describe a system with the necessary response time for measuring currents at 4.2 K.

The tester was developed for a program of basic and applied research in cryogenics, with which Pankove and Drake have been associated during the past year. Pankove is responsible for several new cryogenic device concepts, Drake has an extensive background in test equipment design. Prior to working in cryogenics, Pankove was active in solid-state electronics, for which he received two research awards. He holds 25 issued patents.

RADIATION MONITOR. Nuclear-powered ships require special monitoring equipment to protect their personnel from radioactive dust. Next week, H. E. Debolt of Fairchild Camera and Instruments in Syosset, N. Y. describes a transistorized monitor that sounds an alarm when alpha and beta radiation reach a preset level. Monitor consists of a scintillation counter which feeds pulses to a computerindicator. Computer determines the pulse rate, which is directly proportional to radioactivity.

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BUSINESS THIS WEEK

ELECTRONICS NEWSLETTER

THERMOPLASTIC RECORDING development at GE has progressed beyond the implications of a technical article written more than a year ago and published in December by the Journal of Applied Phys-The article described a permanent recording ics. device giving black-and-white and simultaneous color. Last week ELECTRONICS learned that a new tube has been developed for the system. The tube can be used interchangeably for permanent recording of black-and-white and simultaneous color. Instead of using a gun with a splitter grid to produce the phase diffraction gratings on the thermoplastic surface, inventor W. E. Glenn discloses that the new tube produces the gratings by velocity modulation of the horizontal sweep with lowamplitude r-f carriers. Glenn also reports that, in terms of information storage capacity, the GE thermoplastic tape is "several hundred times denser than the best available magnetic tape," is also "comparable to highest resolution photographic film." For more on thermoplastic recording, see p 46.

- New Amperex magnetron which operates at 25 kw peak power at 35-kmc and provides a 0.02 millimicro-second pulse width is now operating in a Philips airport surface detection radar set. The radar can distinguish between objects four yards apart at a distance of 1.000 yards.
- FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, in yearend statement marking its 25th year of operation, reported 570,000 radio station licenses using more than 1.7 million transmitters. F-m authorizations climbed from 690 to 825, with some 665 stations on the air compared with 570 a year ago. A-m gained about 100 authorizations and 150 operating stations during the year, bringing the 1959 figures to about 3,500 and 3,450 respectively. Tv station figures did not change materially—672 hold authorizations and more than 500 in operation (including 76 uhf).
- SOLID-STATE COMBUSTION CONTROL system will be installed on a 2-zone slab heating furnace at the plant of an eastern steel producer in mid-1960. The system, to be supplied by Hagan Chemicals & Controls, Inc., Pittsburgh, will use magnetic amplifiers, and includes controls for zone temperature, zone fuel/air ratio, furnace pressure, recuperator temperature balance and air pressure, along with panels and recording instruments.
- All-weather radiometric sextant, miniaturized for submarine installation and some five times as accurate as many marine compasses now in use, will be designed by AC Spark Plug under a Navy BuShips contract.
- **RADIOPHONOGRAPH** which weighs 2.8 lb. and operates as a 540 to 1,600-kc radio set with its lid on, and as a phonograph with its lid off, has

just been introduced in Japan by Standard Wireless Industry. The company expects to produce 10,000 units per month by April for export. Japanese yen price is equivalent to \$42. The unit uses four dry batteries, seven transistors, two diodes and a thermistor.

- Antisubmarine warfare (ASW) program demands more and more electronic gear. A \$4 million Navy contract was recently awarded to Hazeltine for 32,000 sonobuoys and repair kits. Company is currently producing 12,000 of the cylindrical air-launched packages that detect and transmit sub noises.
- AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING blimps just delivered to the Navy by Goodyear Aircraft will carry what the company describes as "the largest complex of modern radar and electronic equipment to be operational in a single aircraft." The 400-ft. 11 million cu ft non-rigid airships designated the ZPG-3W will perform patrol duty as part of the North American Air Defense Command. Two blimps have been delivered; two others are being built. Goodyear says a transistorized intercommunications system with pushbuttons and flashing call lights aids crew teamwork. System includes an ecm radio control unit and a loudspeaker radio monitor control unit, which permits the selection of any one of 13 audio outputs to be monitored over the local loudspeaker.
- SOVIET AUTOMATIC CONTROL SYSTEM checks the dimensions of mass-produced parts by using a cathode-ray-tube to scan the contours of the part under test and of a mask fixing the allowable tolerances. A coarse scanning pattern is traced out on the crt screen using a horizontal deflection frequency of 1 cycle and a vertical deflection frequency of 50 cycles. Two thin lines on a transparent mask attached to the screen represent the upper and lower limits of the parts being checked. The production control device is described in the Soviet journal "Priborostroienie," No. 7, 1959.
- Japanese yearend tv set buyers so swamped the market that manufacturers couldn't get enough glass tube envelopes as 1959 ended. Six set makers are now turning out 500,000 sets a month. December demand was estimated at 430,000 sets; 300,000 were sold in November. Buying rush is attributed to extension of the government tv network to many outlying areas.
- **BRITISH TELEVISION** and radio manufacturers had a bumper year in 1959, and all sales records have been smashed, according to estimates of the authoritative *Financial Times*. Tv receiver output was estimated at 2.8 million, 800,000 above 1958. with retail sales totaling some \$462 million. More than 1.6 million radios were estimated to have been produced and sold in '59. Growing interest was noted in stereo equipment.



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152A	Variable	8.1-12.4	0.5-20	1"x1/2"	UG-39/U	45.
375A	Variable	12.4-18.0		0.702"x0.391"	UG-419/U	75.
374A	Variable	26.5-40	1-20	0.360"×0.220"	UG-599/U	60.

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467	7/8" Caaxial	1.99-4.0	20-30-40	UG-46/U*	150.
306	3"x11/2" Waveguide	2.6-4.0	30	UG-214/U	100.
544	3"x11/2" Waveguide	2.6-4.0	40	UG-214/U	150.
545	3"x11/2" Waveguide	2.6-4.0	50	UG-214/U	150.
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237	11/2"x3/4" Waveguide	5.3-8.1	30	UG-344/U	85.
546	11/4"x5%" Waveguide	7-10	30	UG-51/U	85.
547	11/4"x5/8" Waveguide	7-10	40	UG-51/U	85.
235	1"x11/2" Waveguide	8.1-12.4	20	UG-39/U	65.
419	1"x1/2" Waveguide	8.1-12.4	30	UG-39/U	65.
234	1"x1/2" Waveguide	8.1-12.4	40	UG-39/U	65.
388	0.702"x0.390" Waveguide	12.4-17.0	20	UG-419/U	65.
413A	1/2"x1/4" Waveguide	18.0-26.5	20	UG-595/U	65.
414A	1/2"x1/4" Waveguide	18.0-26.5	30	UG-595/U	65.
405A	0.360"x0.220" Waveguide	26.5-36.0	20	UG-599/U	80.
429A	0.360"x0.220" Waveguide	26.5-40.0	10	UG-599/U	85.
#Input	fitting Main line output	UG-45/U Secu	ondary line	output, UG	-46/11.

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BARRETTER MOUNTS

		Barretter	Frequency	Max.	Fittings			
Madel	Line Size	Type*	Range-kmc	VSWR	Input	Output	Price	
554	7/8" Coox.	811B/550T	.82-2.0	1.8/1.5	UG-46/U	BNC	\$175.	
245	2"x1"	821B	3.7-4.5	1.5	UG-149A/U	UHF	35.	
184	1"x1/2"	821B	8.5-9.6	1.5	UG-39/U	UHF	70.	
423A	2"x1"	543T	5.0-5.9	1.5	UG-149/U	BNC	135.	
219C	1"x1/2"	-T	8.5-9.6	1.5	UG-39/U	BNC	130.	
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HIGH-POWER WAVEGUIDE TERMINATIONS

		Frequency	Power	Capacity	Max.		
Madel	Size	(kmc)	Av. (w)	Peak (kw)	VSWR	Fittings	Price
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564	2"x1"	3.95-6.0	1500	1500	1.15	UG-407/U	140.
565	11/4"x5/8"	7.0-10.0	350	350	1.15	UG-138/U	100.
566	1"x1/2"	8.1-12.4	300	300	1.15	UG-135/U	85.

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Madel	Size	Frequency Range-kmc	Pawer Capacity	Max. VSWR	Fittings	Price
308	3"x11/2"	2.6-4.0	1	1.04	UG-214/U	\$ 40.
370	0.702"x0.391"	12.4-18.0	0.5	1.05	UG-419/U	25.
418A	1/2"x1/4"	18.0-26.5	0.5	1.07	UG-595/U	30.
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WEINSCHEL WASHINGTON OUTLOOK

Two ELECTRONICS CONTRACTORS for NASA have reported patentable inventions on agency projects: Northrop Corp.'s Nortronics div., Hawthorne, Cal., which has developed a new hypersonic flow direction sensor, and Aero-Geo-Astro Corp., Alexandria, Va., a radar tracking beacon.

In recent months, NASA's patent policies have become the center of a new Congressional ruckus. The Nortronics case demonstrates the difference between NASA and Defense Dept. patent policies and plays up what's at issue in the controversy.

Under military R&D contracts, the contractor keeps title to any invention developed and has the right to royalties on commercial production. The military contracting agency gets only a royalty-free, non-exclusive license to use the invention.

NASA's policy falls between the Pentagon's liberal system and AEC's restrictive patent scheme, under which the agency acquires rights and interests in all inventions of its contractors. NASA is required to take title to the invention or waive all rights.

In the Aero-Geo-Astro case, NASA has taken title to the invention and the contractor has not petitioned for a waiver.

Nortronics, however, is fighting for its own patent rights on the hypersonic flow direction sensor. The company has challenged NASA's right to the invention on the grounds that the invention was made on a project which began under a Defense Dept. contract. So far, no decision has been made on the company's claim.

• Over the past six years the split between: federal government and private industry shares of the nation's research and development expenditures has shifted from 60 percent industry—40 percent government to a ratio of 60 percent government—40 percent industry. The shift in R&D spending shows up in a new National Science Foundation analysis of research and development expenditures.

NSF reports that total U.S. spending on R&D has burgeoned from an annual total of \$5.1 billion in 1953-54 to a total of at least \$12 billion in 1959-60. During the period, the federal government has almost tripled its R&D budget—from \$2.7 billion to \$7.7 billion. Industry, meanwhile, has doubled the amount of its own money it spends to sponsor R&D efforts—from \$2.2 billion to \$4.4 billion.

However, the government is turning more and more to industry for the actual performance of the research and development work. In the past six years, the rate of R&D spending in industry facilities has zoomed by almost 160 percent—from \$3.6 billion in 1953-54 to an estimated \$9.4 billion in 1950-60.

Although the NSF report fails to detail how these expenditures are being allocated by industry, government experts say the electronics industry is taking on a dominant role in the performance of both industry-sponsored and government-supported R&D.

• The big news about Defense Dept. efforts in computer application has usually been the use of special-purpose machines geared to weapon systems and supporting apparatus. But in the more mundane business of supply management, the military services are also becoming an ever-increasing market for commercial-type computers.

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Max Icbo @ 2 V (µa)	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
D. C. Current Gain @ 0.5A	30-75	30-75	30-75	30-75	60-150	60-150	60-150	60-150
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Coated Unipotential Cathodes—2 Outline drawingBulbT-61/2 Base: Jedec E9-1Miniature button 9 pin Maximum diameter% inches Maximum overall length27/16 inches Maximum seated height23/16 inches	Coated Unipotential Cathodes Outline drawing
Base pin connections: Pin 1—Heptode grid #2 Pin 6—Triode grid Pin 2—Heptode grid #1 Shield, Heptode grid #5 (oscillator grid) grid #5 Pin 3—Heptode plate Pin 8—Triode plate Pin 4—Heater, triode cathode Shield, Heptode grid #5 Pin 5—Heater, triode cathode (Signal grid) Cathode (Signal grid)	Base pin connections: Pin 1—Triode grid Pin 2—Triode and diode cathode Pin 3—Pentode grid #1 Pin 4—Heater Mounting position
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Elsewhere in the Laboratories, engineers learn how best to grip the cable and control its speed, what happens as the cable with its amplifiers falls through the sea, and how fast it must be payed out to snugly fit the ocean floor. Oceanographic studies reveal the hills and valleys which will be encountered. Studies with naval architects show how the findings can be best put to work in actual cable ships.

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FINANCIAL ROUNDUP

Two Firms in Overseas Mergers

Two MERGERS involving overseas companies are in the financial news this week. Countries involved are England and Italy.

• Acquisition of Adrema Ltd., a leading United Kingdom manufacturer of business machines has been announced by Farrington Manufacturing Co., Needham Heights, Mass. The acquisition is a cash transaction for an undisclosed sum. The move is expected to strengthen Farrington's position in the data processing field by expanding its range of business machines. Farrington manufactures scanners used to feed information into computers and data processing systems. Adrema has sales operations in 55 countries and operates subsidiaries in Canada and India. This is Farrington's fourth acquisition since March 1959.

• Hamilton Standard, division of United Aircraft Corp., Windsor Locks, Conn., reports completion of negotiations leading to the purchase of a 50 percent interest in Microtecnica, Turin, Italy, Financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed. The Italian firm has been in existence since 1928. Its main products today are marine and aviation navigation instruments and servomechanisms. It is expected that Hamilton Standard will make use of its acquisition by using Microtecnica facilities for manufacturing items for jet aircraft under license.

• Telecomputing Corp., Los Angeles, has acquired the assets and interests of Phoenix Engineering & Manufacturing Co., Phoenix, Ariz. The transaction did not include the issuance or exchange of TC stock. Sales volume of Phoenix is at an annual rate of \$1 million, with expectations that the \$1½ million mark may be reached in the year ahead. The firm makes precision missile, aircraft and electronic parts. The firm will be operated as a wholly owned subsidiary with no changes in personnel now contemplated.

• Eitel-McCullough, Inc., San Carlos, Calif. has reached an agreement with National Electronics and Industrial Tubes Inc., both of Geneva. Ill. that will make both firms wholly-owned subsidiaries of the California company. The two companies have a combined sales volume of almost \$3,000,000. Both companies, which have J. W. Hutchings as president, will turn: over all their stock in return for 175,450 shares of Eimac securities, (about 9 percent of total stock outstanding). No cash will be involved in the acquisition.

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Reeves Sndcrft	833	111/4	10	107/8
El-Tronics	800	178	11/2	17/8
Gen Dynamics	793	483%	453/8	47
Gen Electric	638	997/8	937/8	991/8
Sperry Rand	595	26	251/8	253/4
Collins Radio	578	697/8	611/2	683/4
Gen Tel & Elec	494	85	813/4	841/8
Elec & Mus Ind	463	1134	113%	113%
RCA	462	691/2	67	691,8
Univ Controls	458	185%	175%	177/8
Lear Inc	439	205/8	18%	1958
Avco Corp	418	16	15%	153%
Raytheon	403	533%	511/8	52
Int'l Resistance	395	231/2	207/8	227/8
Muntz TV	375	61/2	51/4	614
Zenith Radio	375	1143/4	104	11014
Philco Corp	366	333%	305/8	321/2
Int'l Tel & Tel	354	383/4	38	381/2
Litton Ind	286	67	63	65
Spartan Corp	278	81/2	75/8	83,8
Burroughs Corp	258	363%	337/8	34
Beckman Inst	249	70	673/8	6734
National Union	239	41/8	35/8	33/4
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MARKET RESEARCH

Instrument Sales Rise Fast

SALES of electronic test instruments to both industry and the armed forces, which are growing at the rate of 15-20 percent per year, will increase to at least \$350 million in 1960, predicts Albert T. Craig. president of Technical Information Corp. TIC is a New York consulting group which prepares analyses of available electronic test equipment.

Reflecting the continued growth in use of transistors, one fifth of the test instrument industry's 1960 sales gain will be in the area of power supplies, Craig says. The power supply market should increase from \$60 million in 1959 to at least \$70 million in 1960.

The introduction of high-speed oscilloscopes was last year's outstanding single development in the instrument field, claims Craig. Rapid growth in sales of these oscilloscopes can be expected in 1960.

Manufacturers of pulse generators have the opportunity in 1960 to make significant new developments in their product, according to Craig. Pulse generators require faster rise times for designing and testing new computer circuits, he explains.

· Sales of electronic test, recording and measuring instruments to industry alone may reach \$275 million, according to Glen Andrews, industrial specialist with Arthur D. Little, Inc., engineering and management consultants. His forecast is up 10 percent from estimated sales in 1959.

In addition to estimating total industrial test instrument sales for these two years, Andrews has made the following estimates of individual test instrument sales, all in millions of dollars.

	1959	1960
Oscilloscopes	\$10	\$11
Oscillographs	15	16
Volt-ohmmeters	9	9
R,C,L measuring		
equipment	3	4
Analyzers for engine		
testing	25	25
Tube testers	6	5
Microwave test equip-		
ment	10	15
Signal generators	15	15

3	3
7	8
25	27
30	30
4	5
88	102
\$250	\$275
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• Manufacturers of electrical wire and cable look forward to a 10 percent sales increase in 1960 over the past year with sales moving up from \$1.504 billion in 1959 to \$1.654 this year. National Electrical Manufacturers Association predicts. In the past the electronics industry has taken about 17 percent of total production of clectrical wire and cable.

NEMA also anticipates 1960 output of \$6.333 billion worth of electronics and communications equipment at factory-door price, a gain of eight percent over 1959. However the association includes telephone equipment and signaling apparatus along with a wide variety of electronics in this estimate.

• Philco Corporation and CBS-Electronics, a division of Columbia Broadcasting System, jointly announce the signing of a crosslicensing agreement covering the manufacture and sale of semiconductors.



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THOUGH EUROPEAN MISSILEMAKERS have been quick to achieve a beachhead in the U.S. market for antitank wire-guided missiles, the market has actually just opened.

If the French and West German missiles now being evaluated by the U. S. Army (French SS-10, 11) and Marines (West German Cobra) are accepted, U. S. firms still have a chance to bid for manufacturing rights for the foreign birds. Also, the missiles being tested represent only two of four categories of such weapons needed by the ground forces today.

Why did European firms get the jump on the U. S. in this field? Two reasons: They planned ahead and they didn't have much money.

Anticipated Demand

NATO's military strategists foresaw the need for a transportable, accurate, nonjammable antitank missile while the U. S. Army clung to the 106 recoilless rifle. European firms with limited defense funds began experimenting with bazooka-type weapons with aerodynamic stability.

Before long cheap, unsophisticated and easy-to-operate wireguided missiles had been produced by England (Vickers' Vigilant, for which Clevite has a U.S. agreement), France (Nord Aviation's SS-10, 11, and the French Army Laboratory's two versions of Entoc), Switzerland (Oerlikon's Mosquito), Sweden (Bofors' Bantam), and Germany (Boelkow Entwicklungen's Cobra).

What the Troops Need

Although the Army needed three, or possibly four, categories of short-range missiles, Army put all its effort in the Dart. This fact, plus an adequate budget, resulted in too-frequent specification changes. Dart ended up heavy, sophisticated, expensive. Chalking the project up to experience, Army cancelled the program.

The categories the Army needs are: a Light Assault Weapon (LAW) transportable by a man and weighing about 30 lb; Medium Assault Weapon (MAW) transportable by jeep and weighing from 50 to 100 lb; Heavy Assault Weapon (HAW) launched from a tank-killer vehicle, possibly an armored jeep; and a tank missile. The last two categories cannot be wire-guided. West German missilemakers with long experience with this technique (X-4 air-to-air missile was developed during World War II) say the maximum practical range for wire is from three to four miles.

Although Army may decide to combine categories one and two, LAW and MAW, into a single weapon, both categories are currently being evaluated: the French SS-10 as a LAW (1¹/₈-mi range) and the SS-11 (2¹/₂-mi range) as a MAW.

Waiting for Results

The Marine Corps has tested both French missiles and is now waiting for results to be evaluated. Meanwhile, the Corps has bought 100 Cobras from West Germany where the missile is already operational with the Bundeswehr for testing at Camp Pendleton, Calif. this month. Produced by Boelkow Entwicklungen of Munich, the Cobra will be produced in the U. S. and sold here and in Canada by Daystrom.

A candidate for the third category, HAW, may not appear for some time. The U. S.-designed Lacrosse radio-command missile is the closest solution. It is believed, however, that the Army will want a lighter and more transportable missile in addition to Lacrosse.

Tank Destroyers

Category four, a tank missile called the Shillelagh, is expected to be operational at midyear. It's now under development by Aeronutronics Systems, subsidiary of



French SS-11 antitank wire-guided missile is being evaluated by the U.S. Army

Ford Motor, with Raytheon as subcontractor for fire control. The contract amounts to \$23 million.

Feelers Sent Out

While evaluating the French missiles, Army sent out feelers to American industry for proposals for antitank missiles. And although more than two dozen firms have sent in company-financed proposals, Army has not yet made a choice. Probable reasons: Army wants to study existing foreign weapons before jumping into another U. S. development project; Army may decide to combine categories one and two; and, Army's budget may have been strained by the \$23-million Shillelagh award.

Going into its test phase this month, the Cobra is 30.7 in. long and 3.9 in. in diameter. It weighs 20 lb, carries 5.5 lb of explosives or chemicals. High explosives reportedly would penetrate 21.5 in. of armor plate. Nerve gas could kill, almost instantly, hundreds of enemy troops.

Powered by solid fuel, the Cobra travels at a top speed of 191 mph and has a range up to $1\frac{1}{3}$ mi. It can be fired from the ground, an aircraft or a vehicle. Its four fins, cruciform in shape, are constructed at angles of 90 degrees to the body. The two lower fins support the weapon on the ground and serve as a launching platform.

The Cobra is controllable from the moment it leaves the launching site. The gunner guides the flight of the missile by wire from a hidden position through a 4.4-lb control box so constructed that the gunner can carry it in a pocket sewn to his trouser leg, or by a belt around his body.

How Cobra Works

One guidance control unit can launch and control as many as eight Cobras. Launching is accomplished by a selector switch on the control box.

The operator guides the bird to its target by manipulating a control stick up or down, to the right or left.

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West Germany's wire-guided Cobra, to be evaluated by the Marines, weighs 20 lb, will cost \$1,000 each

the corresponding voltage changes to the missile during its flight.

Both control box and missile are transistorized. The German-made receiver in the missile uses handsoldered circuitry.

Daystrom is working on a modular type receiver that will be incorporated in the U. S.-manufactured missiles.

On the exterior top of the body is the battery that provides the electrical impulses to ignite both rockets and a tracking flare and to amplify flight direction signals from the control unit to the spoilers to guide the weapon in flight. On the underside is the booster rocket, so canted that it starts the missile on its flight at a 22-degree takeoff angle.

Inside the body and wrapped around the sustainer rocket is a reel of guidance wire that spins out through a hole at the rear. The sustainer rocket keeps the missile at constant speed until the target is reached.

Versatility Is Factor

The U.S. and Canadian market for wire-guided missiles will be big. How big depends on the weapons' versatility. Potential tactical applications go beyond defense against enemy tanks. A wireguided missile carrying an atomic warhead (although to date atomic warheads don't come this small) could erase an underground command post, building or a concentration of troops. The rocket could spread nerve gas, psychochemicals or even tear gas. Such a variety of uses would create requirements for the missile in a number of units beyond those with antitank missions.

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3-PHASE INPUT AND 1-PHASE OUTPUT	220/440 220/440 208 115/230 208	1 2 2 2 2	500 1000 1000 1000 100 0	115 115 115 26 26	275CA 275B 275G 275H 275H
1-PHASE INPUT & 3-PHASE OUTPUT	115/230 115/230 115/230 115/230 115/230	1 2 2 3	500 1000 1000 1800	115/200 115/200 115 115/200	275F 275BB 275AA 275DC
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U. S. buying of semiconductors made in Japanese factories appears likely to follow current brisk patterns

Import Curb Plea Under Fire

Counterattacks to petition for import curbs on Japanese semiconductors are registered in Washington. Possible deadlock seen

IMPORTERS of semiconductors transistors, diodes, and rectifiers are marshalling forces for what promises to be a long and bitter fight in Washington against curbs on foreign sales asked by Electronic Industries Association at Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization.

Electronic Industries Association filed its protest primarily against imports of transistors from Japan, and based its plea for new restrictions on the grounds that recent spurts in the importation of these products threatens domestic manufacturers whose productive capacity is vital to the national defense (ELECTRONICS, p 32, Nov. 6, 1959).

EIA, supported by a companion petition filed by Texas Instruments Inc. and affidavits from several other member companies, is seeking relief under section No. 8 of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act, whose so-called "national security" clause provides the procedure by which Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization can recommend import quotas or other restrictions.

According to EIA's petition, imports of Japanese transistors (and other foreign semiconductors) threaten:

• To impair the efforts of U.S. producers to provide the capacity to meet existing and potential national security requirements;

• To create instability in industry employment;

• To deprive the domestic industry of profits from entertainment transistor profits which go into expensive research and development of military-use products; and

• To deplete domestic production capacity to the point where the U.S. is dependent on foreign sources for defense needs of these products.

Rebuttal Filed

In mid-December, Japanese importers filed a sharp rebuttal to EIA's plea. The Electronics Industries Association of Japan, the Japan Electronics Export Promotion Association, and the Japan Machinery Exporters Association were later joined by the British Chamber of Commerce and a U.S. importer of German products, Robert Bosch.

The Japanese contentions are:

• That imports of entertainment transistors and transistor radios compete with domestic output of entertainment equipment only, and do not threaten the productive capacity of U.S. firms producing military-use items;

• That the bulk of Japan's exports of these items to the U.S. are shipped under patent licensing agreements with U.S. firms such as Radio Corp. of America, Transitron, Inc., and Raytheon Co.;

• That domestic leaders in the production of military-use semiconductors do not rely on profits from sales of entertainment items to finance their defense research.

• That the Dept. of Defense has advised OCDM that domestic productive capacity of semiconductor items currently is in excess of defense needs. What has EIA disturbed is that, according to Commerce Dept.'s latest figures, imports of Japanese transistors multiplied from \$7,000 in 1958 to \$521,000 in the first six months of 1959 alone.

U.S. imports of other semiconductor devices from Japan totaled \$42,000 in the first half of 1959.

Nevertheless, EIA contends that, despite a 15 percent tariff, Japanese transistor imports have burgeoned in the last two years from a negligible volume to "about 25 percent" of total U.S. unit production.

The Japanese counter that their shipments are so concentrated in the nonmilitary, entertainmentitem field that their U. S. sales of higher priced military items totaled a mere 2.7 percent of the domestic semiconductor dollar volume output in 1958, and an estimated 3.5 percent in 1959.

Rumors Abound

Behind the feud, the trade is rife with rumors that some U.S. producers of military-use semiconductors depend on Japanese imports of entertainment items to the point where they will refuse to support EIA, though they are members.

OCDM staffers say they want to stay out of any intraindustry wrangle. They point out that only one section No. 8 case has resulted in new curbs on imports—that one involving the mandatory quotas on petroleum. Over a dozen other similar cases have been rejected at OCDM—not because the agency has refused to accept petitioners' contentions that they are "defenseessential," but on the grounds that imports are not constituting a threat to domestic productive capacity needed for defense.

The semiconductor case may take several months to complete. But to date, the strongest indication of the rough road EIA faces is contained in the Defense Department's recent survey cited by the Japanese.

The Pentagon's Electronic Production Resources Agency reported to OCDM several months ago on the request of the National Security Council. Its finding: There is adequate U.S. capacity for production of transistors and other semiconductors to meet both current and long-range military needs.



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Shakedown of equipment already installed at station CJAD, Montreal, is now taking place. Scheduled broadcasting is slated to start in the near future.

The system is an a-m/a-m installation which transmits stereo to listeners with two a-m receivers. To hear the stereo effect the listener must tune receivers slightly off frequency. Listeners with one radio can hear the same programs with no noticeable loss of quality.

Present plans call for broadcasts of a half-hour during the day and 1½ hours in the evening. Approval for the stereocasting has been granted by Canada's Department of Transport, whose responsibilities include communications. The license for stereocasting has been issued on an experimental basis to the Columbia Broadcasting System affiliate station. There are indications that other commercial stations in Canada as well as the government-operated Canadian Broadcasting Corp. are also interested in stereo broadcasting.

Interest Is High

Owner and president of the station, J. Arthur Dupont, told ELEC-TRONICS that interest seems high in stereo among Montreal listeners. The station has been keeping a close watch on sales of stereo records and stereophonic high-fidelity equipment. Based on these observations, success of the venture is anticipated.

Kahn Research Laboratories, Inc., Freeport, L. I., supplier of CJAD's stereo gear, reports that interest in stereo is not confined to Canada and the U. S. alone. The company has installed equipment in Mexico City for station XEW, which plans regular stereocasts in the near future, and in Venezuela at both of that country's two radio stations. The Venezuelan stations completed preliminary tests in the fall of last year and have since ordered more equipment.

Expectations are that stereocasting in Canada will move forward at a faster pace than in Latin America. As in the case of television broadcasting, the Latin American stations are operating in an environment where per capita ownership of radio sets is low by U. S. standards. Mexican manufacturers are producing conventional a-m receivers that sell for as low as \$11, but doubt that there is as high a proportion of two-set homes in their country as there is north of the border.

It is unlikely, however, that this factor will slow down XEW's efforts to any great extent, observers believe. They note that the station owners have a reputation for positive action. In the early days of television, the Mexican station stimulated receiver purchases by establishing well-equipped studios, presenting a mixed fare of bullfights, baseball games and variety programs and even installing a complete pintsized auditorium for children's shows from which parents are banished behind glass partitions.

Supporters of stereophonic broadcasting in Latin America are also relying on the love of music shown by most of the people in their countries.

Leonard R. Kahn, president of KRL, says an expansion of the receiver market will follow the rise in stereo broadcasting in any country. His company has designated a twochannel a-m receiver requiring only an auxiliary speaker. "The cost and complexity of these home receivers must be minimized to assure widespread public acceptance," he said.



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New System Stirs

Information storage on heat-sensitive tape is provoking a number of serious questions. New developments are being closely watched



Experimental thermoplastic tape recorder drives film at constant speed. Specially designed electron gun produces charge, records color or b&w

THERMOPLASTIC RECORDING of television signals and its effect on users of magnetic tape continues to monopolize a good many conversations this week for both business men and engineers.

Of interest to the engineer is the way in which the tape operates and the equipment it will require. The businessman asks how it will affect the value of the tape equipment he now owns.

Technically, the "thermotape" process may be defined as a system for storing information at high density on a film containing a plastic coating which melts at low temperatures.

Information is placed on the tape with an electron beam in such a way as to permit electronic playback of tv images in black-and-white or NTSC simultaneous color, or of computer input data. In a system described by General Electric this week in New York, the feasibility of producing direct optical images from the thermotape was discussed.

Action of the electron beam lays down a negative charge pattern on the plastic film. Attraction of a positive back plate for the negative charges causes depressions when plastic is heated. The pattern is fixed for storage by subsequent cooling.

For storage of color images, deformation ridges are impressed as phase diffraction gratings whose spacing and amplitude determine the color features. The gratings are produced through velocity modulation of the horizontal sweep of the electron beam by two low amplitude r-f carriers. These carriers are fed to the beam producing gun from an external modulating circuit. Two carriers are applied to the horizontal deflection plates of the gun. Another carrier is applied to the modulator electrodes. This carrier modulates the vertical deflection. Gratings spaced 10 microns centerto-center have been obtained.

Video readout is accomplished by a special optical system in combination with a conventional flying spot scanner or camera tube. Direct optical readout is possible with another type of specialized optical system.

To erase, the charge pattern is removed by raising the temperature of the film high enough above its

Tape Users

melting point to increase conductivity as well as soften the film.

George I. Long, president of Ampex Corp., says his company has also been conducting research in this field for some time. A bulletin on the thermotape method as well as other storage techniques was published by Ampex in September of last year. Company spokesmen told ELECTRONICS there is no great worry over competition from thermotape. They see it as a future adjunct rather than a competitor to their product.

One indication that there will be no great upset in present tv tape usage lies in the fact that there are presently some 700 magnetic tv tape recorders operating in this country. These units range in cost from \$52,000 to \$71,000. Talks by ELECTRONICS with tv stations, and ty advertising tape producers show a reluctance to start thinking about replacement of their equipment in the foreseeable future. Comment from one major network was "Our people are just getting settled to the existing system and aren't going to start looking for something new for quite a while.'

Industrial users are showing a "Wait and see" attitude. Questions have been raised over the reliability of the reused thermotape in view of the fact that it must be deformed during recording.

A company engaged in manufacture of airborne equipment expresses doubt that there will be much application at this time for thermotape in satellite and missile programs.

Manufacturers of magnetic tape do not seem to be overly worried about potential competition arising from the new tape. Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing, for example, is prepared to pick up the ball and run if the play goes in that direction, but reminds that its highly diversified line is not likely to be hurt by any innovations.

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Soviets Spur Tv Set Output

USSR plans to triple production to $3\frac{1}{2}$ million sets a year by 1965. New standards decreed

DESPITE emphasis on consumer goods, the USSR seven-year economic plan will make little dent in the U.S. production and design lead in home television sets.

The Soviets plan to triple tv receiver production from the present rate of 1,200,000 sets a year to about $3\frac{1}{2}$ million in 1965 when the plan ends. By then, an estimated 18 million tv sets will be in operation.

Information comes from B. A. Berlin, of the USSR state committee on radio-electronics, who recently presented a paper before the British Institute of Radio Engineers' convention on ty engineering.

Soviet tv set production falls largely into three categories: 21-in. high-quality sets, 17-in. medium quality sets and cheaper sets up to 14 in. The first two have f-m sound. Luxury models are produced only in limited numbers.

Better quality Soviet sets have automatic frequency control and stabilization circuits. Principal new design trends in production models are: (1) introduction of automatic

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frequency control for tuners and (2) replacement of 70-degree picture tube designs by 110-degree tubes.

The design standards, which follow by years the U.S. and Western European lead in this field, have been recently specified by Communist Party decree along with other goals of the seven-year plan (ELEC-TRONICS, p 34, Nov. 29, '59).

In addition, the party has called for the establishment of special design offices at major plants producing consumer articles. Observers in Moscow generally believe that this is at least partly the result of Khrushchev's U. S. visit and the impact of the American exhibition in Moscow last summer.

New Look in Sets

The party decree deplores heavy, uneconomic design of household goods. It calls for use of plastic cases instead of wood for transistorized radio sets, phonographs, tv sets and tape recorders. It also appears that longstanding complaints of Soviet citizens about the lack of repair facilities for tv sets are being answered with a party order for the "organization" of tv repair shops.

Report on television broadcasting was given the Supreme Soviet by communications minister Nikolay Psurtsev. He said 84 tv centers are now operating. Thirteen of them were commissioned just before the end of 1959, thus extending broadcasts to all capitals of union republics and other cities with a total population of 75 million.

The minister reported that 60 tv stations out of 100 envisaged in the seven-year plan are under construction. He indicated that programs would be exchanged with other Communist countries by the end of the plan. He was non-committal on color tv, stating only that "much attention is being paid" to its development and that trial transmissions have begun in Moscow.



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Fig. 1.



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- Jan. 31-Feb. 5: Comparison of Control Computers, Winter General Meeting, AIEE, Statler Hilton Hotel, New York City.
- Feb. 1-4: Instrument-Automation Conf. and Exhibit, ISA, Sam Houston Coliseum, Houston, Tex.
- Feb. 3-5: Military Electronics, Winter Convention, Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles.
- Feb. 10-12: Solid-State Circuits Conf., AIEE, IRE, Univ. of Penn., Hotel Sheraton, Philadelphia.
- Feb. 11-13: Electronic Representatives Assoc., Annual Convention, Drake Hotel, Chicago.
- Feb. 16-18: Nondestructive Testing of Aircraft and Missile Components, Southwest Research Institute, Hilton Hotel, San Antonio, Tex.
- Feb. 20-29: Component Parts and Electronic Tubes, International Exhibition, Porte de Versailles, Place Balard, Paris.
- Mar. 2-24: Institute of Radio Engineers, National Convention, Coliseum & Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City.
- Apr. 3-8: Nuclear Congress, EJC, PGNS of IRE, New York Coliseum, New York City.
- Apr. 11-14: Weather Radar Conference, American Meteorological Society and Stanford Research Institute, San Francisco.
- Apr. 18-19: Automatic Techniques, Annual Conf., ASME, IRE, AIEE, Cleveland-Sheraton Hotel, Cleveland.
- Apr. 19-21: Active Networks & Feedback Systems, International Symposium, Department of Defense Research Agencies, IRE, Engineering Societies Bldg., N. Y. C.
- Apr. 20-22: Southwestern IRE Conf. & Electronics Show, PGME of IRE, Shamrock Hilton Hotel, Houston, Tex.
- Aug. 23-26: Western Electronic Show and Convention. WESCON, Ambassador Hotel & Memorial Sports Arena, Los Angeles.

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By THOMAS MAGUIRE, New England Editor, and SY VOGEL, Associate Editor

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MICROWAVE SUPER POWER-A new concept in microwave-tube design foreshadows a breakthrough in economic generation of large quantities of microwave power in the S-band region.' Pulsed tubes may have an average r-f power output of 200 kw, and

eventually, 400 kw. The new design makes possible a 10-fold increase in the heat removed from an anode, thus permitting a 10-fold increase in tube input and output power levels without a large increase in physical size or cost. This increase in heat-dissipation density, combined with high efficiency, produces 10-kw output for each sq cm of anode area; 20 kw/sq cm may be possible, eventually.

These large anode-dissipation densities have been experimentally confirmed in an X-band Amplitron, a cross section of which is shown in Fig. 1. The slow wave structure is constructed of very small tubing having an inside diameter of 0.018 in., through which water is circulated. Wall thickness is only 0.006 in., so the heat generated by electron bombardment of



FIG. 2—Output power is function of anode efficiency when anode dissipation is the limiting factor



FIG. 3—A circulator and a modified magnetron comprise this amplifier

the slow wave structure is easily conducted to the water coolant. Water flow through the tubing is in parallel flow. Due to the short distances involved, a difference of only 100 psi between input and output water connectors causes water to flow through the tubing with high velocity. In this small Amplitron, which has a total projected anode area of only slightly more than one cm sq, it has been possible to dissipate 8 kw in the anode under conditions of close to 50 percent operating efficiency. Projected anode area is the product of vane diam, the length over which the vanes collect anode current and the number of vanes.

Higher heat-dissipation densities than those already achieved could result by using a higher water pressure, with a resultant increase in flow velocity of the coolant. A value of 3 kw/sq cm is a conservative figure for future designs.

In a device limited by anode dissipation, the combined effect of large dissipation density and higher efficiency produces a sharp increase in useful r-f output power, as shown in Fig. 2. Combining a dissipation density of 3 kw/sq cm with 80 percent efficiency, 12 kw of useful r-f power may be obtained for each sq cm of anode area. Thus, in a modified S-band Amplitron with an anode area of 22 sq cm a useful r-f output of 264-kw-average power could be predicted.

Within a few years there will be tubes which cost \$10 to \$20/kw of output power, assuming a reasonable rate of production. No longer will a microwave tube represent the limiting cost of a communications or primary-power system.

CROSSED-FIELD AMPLIFIER-This is a microwave amplifier which uses a magnetron as a negativeresistance element in much the same way that a maser uses an active material." Still in the development stage, the Circlotron is a one-port, non-linear, highpower amplifier which retains the efficiency and simplicity of the magnetron. Small time delay and small phase shift (between +45 to -45 deg over the -power bandwidth) are characteristic of the device, so it may find special application in the transmitter portion of phased-array systems. Important uses are projected for it in regions of the microwave spectrum where high-power amplifiers are not available, but magnetron oscillators are at hand. Also, some measurements may increase knowledge of magnetron space-charge characteristics.

As shown in Fig. 3, a circulator separates input and output signals and isolates the negative resistance from variations in the load and source impedances. Because the cathode is part of the resonant circuit, the r-f fields cause electrons to back-bombard the cathode, thus supplying the required cathode current by secondary-electron emission. This type of r-f starting requires only a sufficiently large signal to trigger the process. Elimination of the heater promises increased operating life of the cathode.

Experimental tubes operating in X-band (a representative frequency is 9,100 mc) have given gains greater than 10 db over a 10-percent bandwidth, with efficiencies between 30 and 60 percent at a 7-kw-peak output level.

MASER GAIN STABILIZER—Figure 4 shows the L-band maser system which is part of Harvard Observatory's radiometer.³ The radiometer is used principally to study 21-cm radiation from external galaxies. A total input-noise temperature of 85 K has been realized, including contributions from antenna spillover, input losses, and the receiver stages that follow the maser. The gain-bandwidth product of the maser (Fig. 5) is 20 mc at a bath temperature of 4.2 K.

To minimize gain fluctuation, a stable modulatednoise signal is injected into the input-signal line and used as a reference signal to control the maser gain. A discharge lamp (*noise tube*) generates this noise, which is square-wave modulated at 300 cps. At the second-detector output, the noise step is picked out by a synchronous detector. The noise step is then compared with a fixed reference voltage at *ampl* 1.

After amplification, the error signal goes to a d-c controlled attenuator (Gyraline) which varies maser pump power, thus controlling maser gain.

Gyraline operation is restricted to the initial 4 or 5 db of its attenuation range so that the maser is never far from saturation and very little gain-bandwidth product is sacrificed. The corresponding control range of maser gain is about 2 db; this is adequate to take care of gain drifts over a long period.



FIG. 4—Radiometer system; stabilization circuit controls maser gain. Klystron supplies pump power

At intervals during observation, gain is set back manually to the middle of the automatic gain stabilization (ags) range.

The ags loop gain of about 30 reduces gain drifts, which might otherwise amount to several percent during an observation, to the order of 0.1 percent. Such small drifts are not troublesome if they are linear.

Success of the ags scheme depends on the gain of stages following the maser remaining constant. If the gain of these stages should vary while at the same time the overall gain is held constant, the contribution of these stages to the input-noise temperature will change. Such a change would be equivalent to a spurious input signal. Fortunately, it is possible to maintain gain stability in the post-maser stages to better than one part in a thousand by careful regulation of supply voltages and ambient temperatures.

It is possible to record output in two ways. The total second-detector output is differenced against a battery in the *record* 1 channel. The mean seconddetector output is differenced against the amplitude of the noise step in the *record* 2 channel. The second channel has the advantage that residual gain fluctuations affect both its inputs in the same ratio and should therefore not appear in its output. However, fluctuations are enhanced in this channel since two noise voltages are compared.

The system has employed a 20-db coupler and a 100-K noise-step tube to record with minimum added noise in the first channel. It is possible that a coupling factor between 10 and 20 db would be better.

CONTROLLED-RECTIFIER SWITCH — A new semiconductor component, the Transwitch', is designed for computer applications. It can be turned off by a relatively small negative pulse, compared to the negative pulse required to turn off a conventional silicon controlled rectifier. Physical configuration is shown in Fig. 6A; Fig. 6B shows the equivalent transistor circuit.

The component operates at relatively low currents

(50 ma) and low voltages (30 v). Beta decreases with increasing load current; thus turn-off current must be increased as load current is increased. Compared to the silicon controlled rectifier, whose approximate turn-off beta is 2, turn-off beta of the Transwitch is between 5 and 10. Turn-on time is inversely proportional to input-pulse height and width. Pulse height must be sufficiently positive or negative to turn the switch on or off. The higher the temperature, the higher is the required switch-off current.

Although the switch can be turned off by any pulse below a minimum level, the turn-off transient will not be clean unless the turn-off pulse is appreciably more negative than this level.

Counters have successfully performed with these switches up to 20 kc. Switching at 1 μ sec should eventually be feasible.



FIG. 5—Teflon tuning slug slides over maser resonator; coupling loop nestles into resonator slot. See front cover



FIG. 6—Physical representation (A) and equivalent circuit (B) of new switching device

ELECTRON BEAM TECHNIQUES — Development work has started on an electron-beam device for accurate machining of small holes in evaporation masks, one of the pressing problems in micro-module programs.⁵ The holes must be accurate in dimension, positioned accurately, and have good registration between the masks in each set. The new device works on the same pulsed-energy principle as used in Zeiss electron-beam techniques, but it drills out all holes simultaneously without motion of the work piece. The setup is shown in Fig. 7. A stencil mask of a convenient size is illuminated by a collimated beam of electrons. The large stencil is imaged at a good-size reduction on the work piece and all the holes are drilled at once by pulsing the illuminating beam.

In another aspect of metallurgy for electronics, space requirements have created vast need for refractory metals with improved physical and electrical characteristics—and most of the improvements have come about through ultra purification. A basic limitation on ultra-purification research is the extreme difficulty of measuring low-level impurities. One technique is to measure the resistivity of the material at room temperature and then in liquid helium. The ratio of the two resistivities can then be used as an index of purification. This measurement is reasonably sensitive, but it does not give an absolute quantity, nor does it identify the impurities and define their state chemically.

Instrumentation at the level of primary-standards labs is required by the sensitivity of this measurement. Many labs use a Rubicon six-dial potentiometer, which is capable of resolving increments of 10^{-8} v d-c. Bell Labs reports an apparatus using two such Rubicon potentiometers which will resolve increments of 10^{-9} v d-c and is sensitive enough to measure 10^{-8} v absolute to an accuracy of 10 percent. Estimated cost of the apparatus is \$200,000. Large problems remain to be solved in this area, since many labs working with Hall effect and Zener voltages will soon have to make measurements of this magnitude.

Electron-beam techniques have become increasingly important in production of semi-conductor devices. Electron beams are used for three general categories of work: cutting, joining, and film deposition." Material can be deposited either by the masking technique or by using electrostatic or electromagnetic fields to focus the ionized vapor and direct it onto the desired areas of the work piece. Advantages include high efficiency of energy transfer with few side effects, ability to deliver high power density to very localized areas, ease of control, high dynamic response, and freedom from contamination.

High cost is the most important disadvantage. Electron-beam processing takes place in a vacuum, with the degree of vacuum determined principally by experimentation. Generally, pressures are between 10^{-5} and 10^{-9} mm Hg; an ultra-high vacuum of 10^{-9} mm is advisable in semiconductor fabrication. Typical values for electron-beam power in semiconductor and micro-circuit work are between 1,000 and 5,000 w. Accelerating voltages for the beam vary from a few to several kv.

THERMOELECTRIC TRANSISTOR COOLER — Wide-range temperature control of dissipative electronic components with semi-conductor Peltier cooling is within the existing state of the art.⁷ Peltier junctions perform heat pumping at the dissipation levels met in typical electronic circuits. Use of the technique to extend a transistor's dissipation limit is a practical illustration.

A transistor cooler assembly is shown in Fig. 8. Active part of the unit consists of two bismuthtelluride thermocouples comprising two *n*-type and two *p*-type legs. Thermocouples are connected electrically in series and thermally in parallel. The cold junctions are soldered to the platform supporting the transistor. Heat-sink ends of the thermocouples are soldered to nickel-plated copper blocks, and these



FIG. 7-Electron beam drills holes simultaneously

blocks are mounted on a nickel-plated copper platform. A thin sheet of mica electrically isolates the thermoelectric structure from the outer case. A 15-w transistor with a 1-deg-C/w thermal resistance in its case is mounted on the cooled platform. Ten glassto-metal seals are soldered into the base of the assembly to provide lead-throughs for the transistor, the thermocouples, and a thermistor.

Performance of the cooler was tested at ambients of 5 G and 102 C. Device performance was practically constant over this range, not because of the constancy of semiconductor properties, but because the deteriorating effect of heat was prevented. In a typical test, with the collector dissipating 4 w, a power input of 7 w was required to cool the collector to 80 C.

The geometry of the cooling device determines the heat-pumping capabilities. The requirement of short thermoelements for large heat-pumping capability is compatible with the requirement of fast transient response for good control characteristics. Other materials under development, such as solid solutions of Bi₂Te₅ with Bi₂Se₃ or Sb₂Te₃ with Sb₂Se₃, look promising.

OPTICAL-ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS — These systems may be used in such jobs as communication, navigation, and acquisition and tracking.^{*} Opticalelectronic systems may be active or passive. The general type of system to be analyzed below is the active, which contains a transmitter of optical energy.

The basic system contains a modulated light source which transmits energy through a medium such as the atmosphere to a detection system. In the transmitter, the modulator determines the frequency spectrum of the light-signal modulation. Thus the modulated signal is described by the center frequency f_{*} and the bandwidth Δf .

The spectral power of the transmitted beam is $P_{\lambda} = \alpha \gamma W_{\lambda}$ where W is the spectral radiant emittance of the source in w/cm - micron, γ is the light-gathering ratio of the transmitter optics and α is the light-source area.

The spectral irradiance of the beam arriving at the input of the detection system is

$$\mathbf{H}_{\lambda} = P_{\lambda} \Gamma_m(\lambda) / \theta R^2$$

where $\Gamma_m(\lambda)$ is the transmission of the medium at wavelength λ , θ is the solid angle of the beam, and R is the range.

Passing through the detector system, the irradiance is attenuated so that the signal power reaching the detector within the spectral interval $d\lambda$ is $dP = H_{\lambda}A\Gamma(\lambda)d\lambda$ where A is the effective detectoraperture area and $\Gamma(\lambda)$ is the transmission of the detector-system optics.

The quantum efficiency $q(\lambda)$ of the detector is the ratio of the number of electrons generated by the detector to the number of photons striking it. Using the energy relation $E = hc/\lambda$, the number of electrons generated per second is

$$n = (A/hc) \int_{0}^{\infty} \lambda H_{\lambda} \Gamma(\lambda) q(\lambda) \partial \lambda$$

TOP VIEW (COVER REMOVED) COPPER BLOCK G-RING O-RING COPPER BLOCK O-RING O-RING C-RING

FIG. 8—Cylinders at bottom of cooler assembly help remove heat from heat sink

Thus the input current to the detector amplifier is

$$i_s = \epsilon n = A \int s(\lambda) II_{\lambda} \Gamma(\lambda) d\lambda$$

where e is the electron charge and $s(\lambda) = (\lambda_{c}/hc)q(\lambda)$

Detector-amplifier center frequency and bandwidth should match the modulation characteristic of the light source. Assuming a constant gain, G, the output signal is

$$S = \frac{a \lambda A G}{\theta R^2} \int_0^\infty W_\lambda \Gamma_m(\lambda) \Gamma(\lambda) s(\lambda) d\lambda$$

Radiation noise N_{λ} is usually the dominant noise component. Where Ω is the angle of view of the detector-system optics, the detector noise current is

$$i_b = \mathcal{A} \Omega \widetilde{f} N_\lambda \Gamma(\lambda) s(\lambda) d\lambda$$

Thus the power S/N ratio of the system is

 $(S/N)^2 = (A/2 \ \Omega \Delta f) \ (a^2 \lambda^2 \ \theta^2 R^2) I(\lambda)$

where

$$I(\lambda) = \left(\int_{0}^{\infty} W_{\lambda} \Gamma_{m} \Gamma s d \lambda\right)^{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} N_{\lambda} \Gamma s d \lambda$$

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One-Tube Oscillator Mixers

Balanced bridges and semiconductor diodes limit frequency pulling and radiation into the antenna. Frame-grid pentode promises considerable gain improvements. Advantages of new circuit show up in comparison of conventional and modified tuners

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CARLY OSCILLATOR MIXER circuits were based on single tube circuits that combined the functions of oscillator, mixer, and i-f amplifier. Having no buffer between the oscillator section and the r-f stage, these circuits were prone to frequency pulling and radiation into the antenna. Although the drawbacks have been overcome by using circuits with double triodes and triode pentodes, such circuits are complex.

This article describes two groups of circuits that are relatively simple, and whose improved performance offers a promising future. The first group uses a single tube as in the original autodyne circuit, but with the addition of tuned circuits to cancel unwanted coupling. The second group is similar to the first, but uses semiconductor diodes for mixing. Departing from convention, a frame-grid pentode is used in one of the second group of circuits, and its considerable gain promises smaller and more economical i-f amplifiers.

Circuit Operation

Figure 1 shows the basic circuit of the first group of oscillator mixers in a version suitable for tv tuners. Tube V_2 is the oscillator mixer, while V_1 is a conventional r-f amplifier. Coils L_1 and L_2 are the primary and secondary r-f coils; L_3



FIG. 1—Single-tube oscillator mixer uses balanced bridges to cancel harmful coupling and feedback

is the oscillator coil, and the i-f output circuit is formed by L_{c} and L_{u} .

Oscillator coil L_s is connected between the grid and plate of the oscillator mixer, V_s , through series capacitor C_5 . First i-f coil L_5 is a choke for the oscillator signal, which is returned to ground through capacitor C_7 .

Coil L_a is shunted by capacitors C_a and C_1 . The values of C_a and C_4 are chosen so that their junction is a null, or at least a minimum, for the oscillator signal. The second r-f coil L_a , is connected to this junction and so a minimum signal is fed into it from the oscillator. Thus with a minimum oscillator signal developed across L_a , the radiation into the antenna is reduced.

The bridge diagram of Fig. 2 illustrates the cancellation of the coupling between oscillator circuit L_3 and r-f circuit L_2 . No component of the oscillator signal across L_3 will appear across L_2 as long as the relationship $C_3/C_4 = C_5/C_{gk} = C_7/C_6$ exists.

The bridge diagram of Fig. 3 shows the cancellation of i-f coupling between the plate and grid of V_{2} , which is necessary to prevent undesirable feedback effects. Figure 3 shows that no i-f feedback can cause a signal between cathode and grid if the branch-impedance relationship $Z_1/Z_2 = Z_3/Z_1$ is obtained. The oscillator inductance is not shown in this diagram since its effect at intermediate-frequency is negligible; it would otherwise appear in branch Z_1 . The branch Z_2



FIG. 2—Bridge prevents oscillator signal from being developed across r-f coil L₂



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does contain the r-f coil L_{v} , however, since the inductance of this coil increases with frequency, thus preventing its omission.

To achieve stability, the bridge is balanced at the lowest frequency at which it will be used. If this were not done, the increase in inductance of L_{π} at lower frequencies could result in positive feedback capable of causing unwanted (parasitic) oscillations. This means that operation on the higher channel frequencies brings about some negative feedback and consequent loss of gain. Despite this effect, an experimental tuner of this type showed gain figures comparable to those for a conventional tuner. Although the circuits described are simple in concept, they suffer in efficiency by having to perform the combined functions of oscillator, mixer and i-f amplifier. Another problem (in tv tuners) is the necessity of maintaining the balance over all channels. This can be accomplished without too much difficulty in turret-type tuners, but for incremental, or switch-type tuners, the balancing presents serious problems.

Furthermore, the capacitive division between C_{\perp} and C_{\perp} causes some loss of gain, while, as in the earlier autodyne circuits, this circuit is susceptible to overloading. Nevertheless, as these unfavorable conditions seldom occur in their extreme form, these circuits still present a simple solution for some applications.

Mixing by Semiconductor Diodes

The second group of circuits was developed to overcome the disadvantages of the circuits based on a single tube, and uses a semiconductor diode for mixing. Thus the functions of oscillator, mixer and i-f amplifier are separated to some extent, permitting greater freedom of design.

Oscillation can be sustained by either plate-to-grid or cathode-togrid feedback. As plate-to-grid feedback would cause feedback of



FIG. 4-Semiconductor diode mixer improves isolation of r-f and oscillator sections

the i-f signal, this method is not used; instead, cathode-to-grid feedback has been chosen. The circuit is given in Fig. 4.

The circuit of Fig. 4 operates in the following way: Tube V_{2} is connected as a Colpitts oscillator employing oscillator coil L_{4} in series with C_{5} . Feedback is provided by grid-to-cathode capacitance C_{gk} in parallel with C_{6} , plus the cathode-toground capacitance of C_{7} and C_{8} in series.

The oscillator signal is fed through C_1 to the mixer diode, D_1 . The opposite end of the diode is connected to the top of r-f coil L_2 . The i-f signal is developed across L_3 , which is tuned to the i-f frequency by the capacitances of the grid circuit. These capacitances include C_{5} , which prevents a shorting of the i-f signal by the oscillator coil L_{i} . Feedback, and consequent damping of oscillation, is prevented by connecting the return-point of the i-f coil L_3 to the junction of C_i and C_3 . The values of C_7 and C_8 are chosen to give a cancellation of feedback effects. Resistor R_{3} is the detector resistor for the mixer diode, and is selected to give the best compromise for matching to the r-f coil L_2 on one hand, and to the i-f grid impedance on the other.

To cancel i-f feedback effects through C_{gp} between plate coil L_s and the grid coil L_s , a neutralizing capacitor C_v is introduced, which feeds a signal component from the plate to the lower end of L_s . The operation of the two feedback canceling bridges can be seen from Fig. 5. This diagram shows that no direct feedback from the tube to L_s will occur if $(C_s + C_{gk})/C_s = C_7/C_s$. Furthermore, no i-f feedback from plate to grid occurs if $C_{gp}/C_s =$ C_g/C_s . Diode D_1 is a conventional video diode, type 1N87 or 1N87A. These types have proven to be satisfactory for mixer efficiency and damping, up to 250 mc.

The damping of the circuit is determined mainly by the diode resistor, thus it is approximately constant over the ty range of frequencies. Furthermore, the mixing efficiency of the diode decreases only slightly at the highest frequencies. The i-f coil is matched to the grid of V_2 , which presents a higher impedance at i-f frequencies than at r-f frequencies.

The i-f gain of the tube depends upon the amplitude of oscillation, since for small grid signals the ef-



i-f feedback in oscillator tube Va

fective g_m of the tube increases and ultimately approaches the g_m of a nonoscillating tube. In general, the amplitude of oscillation will decrease at higher frequencies, thus the i-f gain and the resultant conversion gain will be proportionately raised. This is contrary to conventional mixer circuits, since they usually show a decrease in gain at higher channel frequencies, because of reduced mixer efficiency resulting from too low an oscillator signal.

This increase in conversion gain at the higher channel frequencies is an advantage. At lower frequencies a high gain value is usually less important because of higher input noise level and the generally higher r-f amplifier gain. Usually, it is the mixer gain at higher channel frequencies that sets the level of receiver performance.

Another advantage of the circuit of Fig. 4 is that the diode acts as an isolator between the oscillator and the second r-f coil, reducing the oscillator signal on this coil to some 10 db lower than in conventional mixers. The choice of the damping on i-f coil L_3 determines the contribution of this coil to the i-f selectivity; in particuler, for tv tuners (with their substantial bandwidth) L_3 is relatively heavily damped and so the feedback cancellation by the junction of C_7 and C_8 is noncritical.

For the frame grid tube 6ER5, with its relatively small plate-togrid capacitance of 0.36 $\mu\mu$ f, the neutralizing capacitor will also be small. The tube has close characteristic tolerances, permitting fixed rather than adjustable neutralizing capacitors to be used. Such capacitors could be precut from molded dual-conductor plastic wire, or from miniature coaxial cable.

The output circuit consists of tuned coils L_3 and L_6 . The plate resistance of triode V_2 imposes some damping on the circuit of L_3 ; this must be compensated by a reduction in the damping on the coil L_6 , which feeds the grid of the next stage of the amplifier.

To investigate the practical possibilities of this second type of circuit, a number of different tuners were modified by replacing the existing triode-pentode mixer with the circuit described. Tuners investigated included turret-type tuners as well as the incremental or switch-type tuners. In every case two tuners were compared, one in the original condition (the control) and one with the modified circuit.

It has to be emphasized that in converting the tuners, the characteristics of the new circuits are not demonstrated in the most favorable way. For example: in most tuner design a substantial coupling exists between the oscillator circuit and the second r-f circuit. In the original circuit this coupling is not objectionable, being an addition to the regular coupling between these two circuits. However, in the new circuits, such a coupling reduces the

			na signal mv	Tota	ıl gain	Conve	ersion gain	Total improv	l gain rement		or signal f coil
Tuner	Channel	original	niodified ^a	original	modif <mark>ied</mark> ^b	original	modified ^e	ratio	db	original	modified
A	2	7.75	6.25	130	160	1.5	3.3(5.1)	1.24	2.0	3.9	0.42
Incremental tuner		12.5	8.0	80	125	3.65	3.65(5.2)	1.56	3 .8	3.4	0.38
using	7	12.5	9.0	80	110	3.5	5.0(5.2)	1.4	3.0	3. 4	0.14
triode	12	11.0	4.5	72	222	3.25	5.9 (6.3)	3.1	10.0	1.15	0.2
B	2	15.0	8.7	66	115	3.75	3.3	1.75	1.1		
turret tuner	6	14.0	8.75	70	115	4.1	1.0	1.65	3.8		
using	7	27.0	13.0	36 .5	77	3.2	4.5	2.1	6.1		
triode	12	30.0	11.0	33	72	3.5	4.9	2.2	6.8		
C	2	20	5.0	50.0	200	6.5	12.0	1.0	12.0	2.5	0.4
turret tuner	6	20	7.5	50,0	134	6.3	11.0	2.66	8.5	2.5	1.1
using	7	18	3.8	55.5	220	6.6	17.5	4.0	12.0	1.3	0.8
pentode	12	15	3 <mark>.</mark> 1	65.0	310	6.5	27.0	1.75	13.6	1.4	0.5

Table I-Comparison of Performance of Original and Modified Tuners

B-f input fed directly to grid of r-f stage in Tuner C to avoid gain variations due to neutralization. ^b Total gain figures for Tuner A show tendency to feedback in r-f stage caused by reduced coil damping. ^c Conversion gain results for Tuner A shown in brackets are measured direct, those unbracketed are calculated from total gain figures.

isolation between the oscillator and the r-f sections—and this isolation is fundamental to the new circuits.

Another limitation is imposed by the attempt to use existing coils without greatly altering their inductance; consequently, their values will not always be the optimum ones for matching of the r-f circuit as well as for best mixer performance.

Notwithstanding the above difficulties, two types of tuner were modified with reasonable success. In each case an increased overall gain was recorded, particularly for the higher channel frequencies. This indicates the possible versatility of the new circuits.

In the modified tuners, the value of the unwanted oscillator signal developed across the second r-f coil, $L_{\rm e}$, was 0.5 volt or less; this is on the order of 10 db lower than in the original tuners. Thus, a reduction in antenna radiation is to be expected. A more detailed comparison of the characteristics is given in Table I where results of tests on representative tuners (tuner A and tuner B) are shown.

Use of Balanced Diodes

A further improvement that may be introduced into the last group of circuits is a pair of diodes connected in a balanced arrangement. This would reduce antenna radiation and, in addition, suppress second harmonics and, hence, spurious response. A circuit using two mixer diodes is given in Fig. 6. It should be remarked that although such an arrangement would be desirable, it would probably be uneconomical for



FIG. 6-Twin semiconductor diodes permit balanced mixing and better circuit isolation

commercial television receivers.

This arrangement could be made responsive to the oscillator second and higher even-harmonics, thereby presenting some advantages when used in uhf-type tuners.

Pentode as Mixer Oscillator

At the present time, work is in progress on the use of a pentode in circuits similar to those shown in Fig. 4 but having an l-f bypass trap in the cathode. Tentative results using a frame-grid 6EJ7 pentode with a g_{m} of 15,000 indicate a conversion gain of 10 to 15 over the operating range, with the gain for individual channels as high as 20. This represents an increase in gain of some $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 times the gain of the original mixer using a 6CG8A tube.

Improvements of this sort open the possibility of using a tuner of the type described with a two-stage i-f amplifier employing similar pentodes. Such a combination could be expected to give as much gain as a conventional tuner when followed by a three-stage i-f amplifier using 6BZ7 pentodes. The tentative results from this experiment are given in Table I (tuner C), which compares the performance of modified and unmodified tuners.

Six Ways to Use Magnetic Shift Register Elements

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MAGNETIC SHIFT REGISTERS are used not only in digital computers but in a wide variety of pulse-type data handling situations. Their small size, negligible average-power consumption, low cost, ruggedness and reliability offset the disadvantage that output of most types is a narrow, triangular voltage pulse rather than a level.

Typically, a shift-resigter element consists of a toroid-shaped core with square-loop flux-magnetizing force characteristics, either of ferrite or thin metallic tape, on which are assembled two or more windings, together with one or more diodes, capacitors and a storage or delay inductor or resistor. The core has two stable states, $-B_r$ and $+ B_r$, in either of which it can remain indefinitely. When switched from one stable state to the other by a polarized pulse to one winding, an output voltage is induced in the other windings. This is called a destructive readout; the amplitude of the output voltage indicates the state of the core before being switched.

The operation of a typical core-diode element such as that shown in circuit *I-A*, will be explained. A positive-going output pulse first charges the capacitor through the diode; the storage network delays the capacitor discharge until the shift pulse subsides; if the next core is in the $-B_r$ state, the pulse from the capacitor switches the core to the $+B_r$ state. Because the switching takes a relatively long time, the voltages induced in the windings of the second element are smaller than the original output pulse.

If the core is already in the +B, state when the shift pulse is applied, the output will be even smaller. For the -B, state representing a ZERO, and the +B, a ONE, the ONE-to-ZERO output ratio is often used as a figure of merit. Core-diode units have ratios of about 7 to 1, and core-transistor elements have ratios of about 15 to 1 or more. The maximum operating frequency is set by the core and the storage network.

Generally, the elements are packaged into small rectangular blocks, with the components assembled on a base plate and the whole unit potted for hermetic sealing. Pin connections on the base plate are arranged for either etched wiring boards or miniature tube sockets. Volume of some high-frequency units may be as low as 1/8 cu. in., while small-quantity costs range from \$5.50 to \$16.00 per element, depending on circuit and highest operating frequency.

Advances in the design of sophisticated, yet simpler, shift register elements can be expected from increased understanding and application of the devices. The twistor and a special magnetized glass rod, where digital data are shifted along the length of the device, are expected to contribute to the art.

Characteristics of some commercially available shift registers are given in Table I.

A brief description of each of the element types shown on p 81 follows; the typical element itself is shown enclosed in dashed lines.

CIRCUIT I-A—The core-diode configuration has been covered in the discussions above. The diode may be internal or external and may be associated with either the serial-input or serial-ouput winding.

CIRCUIT I-B—The core-transistor technique has the advantages of lowered shift-current require-

Type of Element	Shift Current Ma	Shift Width µSec	Pow er Watts	Signal Noise Ratio	Freq Range kc	Output Voltage	Min Load Z
Core-Diode, Current Operated	220	1.2	1.4	8:1	0-200	15	10K
	1300	3.5	0.07	8:1	0-50	8	5K
Core-transistor, Blocking Osc	100	0.5	0.2	15:1	0-250	Vccb	2K
	200	1.3	0.2	10:1	0-50	Vcc ^b	
Core-transistor, Pulse Ampl	75	1.0 Min	0.15		0-250	2.5	
Core-Diode, Voltage Controlled	25	1.5 Min ^a	0.2	10:1	0-200	0.3	47K
Core-Diode, Wide Width	100	8ª	1.7	10:1	0-25	6	5K
Wo Core per Bit	100	10	0.45		0-35	12-24	30K

Table I-Tabulation of Typical Magnetic Shift Register Elements



ments and improved ONE/ZERO ratio. The transistor is arranged as a triggered blocking oscillator so that a minimum shift pulse produces one cycle of regeneration, yielding a parallel output pulse equal in amplitude to the supply voltage. If the core is in the ZERO state when the shift pulse arrives, regeneration does not take place. Since large amplification is possible, this circuit is sometimes used with ferrite cores to augment their normally low voltage output.

CIRCUIT I-C-Occasionally a transistor is used to amplify the delayed output pulse from the temporary storage network, thus improving the ONE/ZERO ratio. The transistor is biased to a threshold slightly beyond the ZERO level so that only ONE's are transferred.

CIRCUIT II-A-The voltage-controlled element is one of a new family of devices intended to facilitate the design of shift-register drivers and readout devices. Shift pulses from a constant voltage source, such as an emitter-follower, are applied to all elements in parallel. A reverse-biased diode to each element normally keeps the shift-pulse line at a high impedance and the shift pulse must be large enough to overcome this bias. The diode in the element output line is thereby gated so that all energy accumulated on the capacitor is available for shifting data. The core switches during the first microsecond or so of the shift pulse and is effectively disconnected for the rest of the pulse. Thus the minimum width of the shift pulse is that of the switching time of the core; the maximum width is limited by the shifting rate.

CIRCUIT II-B-The wide-width element is another technique developed for transistor drivers. Shift

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all cores in parallel. During the pulse the voltage on the capacitor, which is charged through diode D_z , backs the voltage across the resistor in the coupling circuit. Therefore the parallel output pulse is essentially as wide as the shift pulse, and the only requirement on shift-pulse width is that it be off long enough to allow the capacitor to discharge through D_1 and hence condition the succeeding core.

pulses from a constant voltage source are applied to

CIRCUIT III-The two-core-per-bit elements have a simple interelement coupling network but need a two-phase driver. In essence, core 2 acts as temporary storage for a ONE being shifted from core 1 by shift pulse A. Shift pulse B restores core 2 and causes it to condition core 3. A pulse on A and then on B is required to shift a ONE from core 1 to core 3, and the diode effectively isolates a given core from the preceding core.

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Data Conversion Circuits For Earth Satellite Telemetry

Transistorized pulse height-to-time converters can be included in satellite payload. Output width is proportional to input height

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T PRESENT, EARTH satellite ex-A periments measuring radiation require that the amplitude distribution of pulses from radiation detectors be determined by tedious manual reduction of telemetered data. This time consuming work can be eliminated by including a complete pulse height analyzer as part of the satellite payload. Thus, the telemetered data would directly contain the amplitude distribution of detected radiation over a given period of time. Poor signal-to-noise and other problems preclude the use of an analyzer on the ground.

Key portion of the analyzer is a circuit which converts pulse heights to widths or time. The time pulse controls an oscillator, which gives a number of cycles of output directly proportional to the height of the input pulse. Output information may then be stored in some type of memory so that the number of pulses of each amplitude occurring in a given period of time may be determined. Such an analyzer (using vacuum tubes and mechanical registers) was first described by D. H. Wilkinson in 1950.'

Linearity of the analyzer depends upon the linearity of height-to-time conversion and the oscillator stability. The oscillator can be easily stabilized. However, linear conversion of height-to-time over a reasonable range of input pulse amplitude is not easily accomplished. Furthermore, when using semiconductor devices, as dictated by satellite requirements, the leakage current is particularly troublesome in the height-to-time portion of the analyzer. Two simple circuits which provide linear conversion are discussed.

The schematic diagram of what will be referred to as the constant current charge circuit" (CCC circuit) is shown in Fig. 1. This circuit accepts negative input pulses of up to 40 v in amplitude. Transistor Q_1 is used to charge capacitor C_1 at constant current. Transistor Q_2 and associated diodes make up the comparator.

It should be noted that the voltage comparison is made only at the instant C_1 is recharged, thus reduc-

Table 1—Specifications for Constant Current Charge Circuit

Output pulse amplitude: $8 v (25 v without D_1)$.

- Output pulse rise time: less than $4 \mu \text{sec.}$
- Output pulse fall time: less than $2 \mu \text{sec.}$
- Output pulse width: 415 μ sec with 40 v input pulse.
- Linearity: within 3.23 percent for input pulse amplitudes of 1 to 40 v and within about 1 percent for input pulse amplitudes of 1 to 30 v.
- Temperature stability: stabilized from -30 C to +100 C.
- Voltage Supply: +25 v and -4 v.

ing leakage current problems. Transistor, Q_3 , is merely an emitter follower output, which may be eliminated if a low output impedance is not required. Thus, the circuit performs the required function with just two transistors, Q_1 and Q_2 . Direct connection between stages greatly simplifies the biasing and eliminates components.

CCC Operation

Under quiescent conditions, the approximately 200 µamp of current available from Q_1 is used to supply the base current of Q_{2} . The collector load resistance of Q_{z} is selected so that the collector is saturated under these conditions. Upon application of a negative input pulse, C_1 is charged to the peak value of the pulse through diode D_1 . In order for C_1 to charge faithfully, the rise time of the input pulses must be longer than the charging time constant of D_1 and C_1 .¹ As soon as C_1 has been discharged (charged negatively) by the input pulse, diode D_{z} is reverse biased, cutting off the base current to Q_2 . After the input pulse has disappeared, the 200 µamp of current begins to recharge C_1 . Diode D_1 isolates C_1 from the pulse source during the ramp generation.

Since the base current of Q_z is reduced to zero by the reverse bias on D_z , the collector current of Q_z cuts off and the collector rises to the full supply voltage of +25 v. When the ramp amplitude reaches



FIG. 1—Last stage of constant current charge circuit can be eliminated if output impedance can be high



FIG. 2—Comparison with straight line shows a maximum departure from linearity of 3.2 percent for CCC circuit

the point where D_2 is once more conducting, the collector of Q_2 is again saturated.

A large amplitude (25 v p-p)rectangular pulse appears on the collector of Q_z . The width of this pulse is linearly related to the input pulse amplitude.

Zener diode D_i is used to clip the output pulse to about 8 v p-p. In many applications it might be desirable to differentiate the output pulse for triggering purposes; in this case, D_i can probably be eliminated. Diode D_a may also be eliminated since its only function is to make it easier to adjust the nominal -4 v supply to the optimum value for biasing D_i .

Linearity

The linearity of the circuit is shown in Fig. 2. A straight line has been drawn between the end points to show the departure from exact linearity over the complete range of input pulse amplitudes. Maximum departure from linearity is 3.2 percent. If the input pulse amplitude range is restricted to 1-30 v, the linearity improves to about 1 percent. Obtaining input amplitudes this large with transistors presents problems. Unfortunately, the linearity below 1-v input could not be measured accurately. Improved methods of measuring the linearity, particularly at small input pulse amplitudes, are required.

Temperature stabilization of the

TRIGGER CIRCUIT AMALOG FORM RAMP GEN COMP-ARATOR COMP-TIONA-DIFFEREN-TIONA-DIFFEREN-TIONA-DIFFEREN-TIONA-TIONA-TIATOR

FIG. 3—Block diagram of stretcher shows waveform at various points

CCC circuit was accomplished by using silicon diodes and transistors. In addition, a Sensistor is used in the emitter of Q_x (Fig. 1). With these simple expedients, the upper limit of operation was between 100 C and 120 C, while the lower limit was between -30 C and -40 C.

Effect of temperature on linearity was not investigated because it was felt that as long as the output pulse width was stable for a fixedamplitude input pulse, the linearity probably was not affected. Attempts at stabilization by control of R_1 were not examined.

Pulse Stretcher

Another approach³ to the problem of providing linear conversion of height-to-time is shown in Fig. 3 and 4. In this circuit, which accepts positive pulses up to 7 v in amplitude, D_1 , D_2 and C_1 stretch the input pulse for a fixed period of time while preserving the amplitude. Transistors Q_1 and Q_2 form a monostable multivibrator which is used for delay and triggering.

Diode D_s is used as a voltage comparator, the stretched input pulse being compared to the ramp from the bootstrap ramp generator, Q_s . Comparison is made only when the magnitude of the ramp reaches the stretched pulse amplitude. Transistor Q_s an operational differentiator, provides a rectangular output pulse, the width of which is directly proportional to input pulse amplitude.

Stretcher Operation

The positive input pulse triggers the monostable multivibrator (Q_1) and Q_2), which gives a positive-going pulse of 20 v at the collector of Q_2 and a negative-going pulse of 4 v at the collector of Q_1 . Time duration of these pulses (68 μ sec) is several μ sec greater than the widest output pulse required. The extra delay gives better comparator output pulse shape. The input pulse also charges storage capacitor C_1 through D_{e} to its full voltage, minus the 0.3 volt drop across D_{a} . During the stretching period of 68 μ sec, D_1 , D_{a} and D_{a} are reverse biased.

The 20-v positive pulse from the collector of Q_2 is differentiated by C_2 , C_3 , R_1 and R_2 . A low impedance path is provided for positive pulses by D_1 , and the negative pulse discharges C_1 after the 68- μ sec delay.

The ramp generator is gated by the 4-v negative pulse from the collector of Q_1 . Normally, Q_3 and Q_4 are conducting, grounding C_1 . When the negative pulse is applied to its



FIG. 4-Output of pulse stretcher circuit is used to control an oscillator

base, Q_{4} cuts off. Capacitor C_{4} starts charging at constant current because of the bootstrap action. The ramp is applied to the anode of D_{3} , while the stretched pulse is applied to its cathode. When the amplitude of the ramp is 0.3 v greater than the stretched pulse, D_{a} conducts, thus bypassing most of the charging current of C_1 .

The comparator waveform is differentiated in the emitter follower differentiator Q_{5} . Because of the emitter follower arrangement, the emitter follows the base. Because of C_5 , the current that flows in the emitter of Q_{a} (hence in the collector of Q_{5}) is the derivative of the base voltage. The negative output pulse appears at the collector of Q_5 and may be differentiated for triggering purposes.

Linearity and Stability

Silicon transistors and diodes are employed in the pulse stretcher circuit. Preliminary measurements indicated that the linearity of height-to-time conversion is of the order of 0.1 percent over a temperature range of -40 C to +50 C.

Nonlinearity introduced at elevated temperatures is caused by the ramp generator and diodes D_1 , D_2 and D_3 . Diodes D_1 and D_2 do not affect the stretcher voltage waveform up to +75 C, but the comparator works over a more limited range of -40 C to +50 C. It is not necessary to compensate the ramp gen-

erator since temperature-dependent changes in the current through R_{a} are balanced by opposite changes in the leakage current. Thus, the charging current of C_1 is kept constant over the temperature range mentioned.

Amplitude sag in the stretcher itself (because of a finite leakage time constant) does not seriously affect the operation of this circuit. Voltage across C_1 is a linear function of time during the stretching period, and, therefore, does not affect the linearity of the height-totime conversion."

Applications

Both circuits are designed to provide linear conversion of pulse height to time within the limitations of their specifications. Specifications are shown in Tables I and

Table II—Specifications For Pulse Stretcher Circuit

Output pulse amplitude: about 25 v. Output pulse rise time: 2 µsec.

- Output pulse fall time: 1 µsec.
- Output pulse width: 64 µsec with 7
- v input pulse.
- Linearity: 0.1 percent for input pulse amplitudes up to 7 v.

Temperature stability: stabilized from -40 C to +50 C.

Voltage supply: ± 30 v.

II. These circuits were designed to accept input pulses with rise times of 1 to 2 µsec. For other rise times the charging time constant for the storage capacitors (C_1 in Fig. 1 and 4) have to be changed.

Possible applications include pulse width modulation systems, as well as pulse height analyzers as considered here.

Since the height-to-time converter is normally synchronized so that the oscillator controls the start of the digital output, the leading edge of the time pulse is not important in this application.

In the CCC circuit (Fig. 1) the collector-to-emitter voltage rating of the 2N496 is exceeded when large amplitude pulses are applied. The short duty cycle apparently protects this transistor from damage, but use of another type transistor is desirable for critical applications.

In general, the circuit shown in Fig. 1 would be most useful where the higher amplitudes required would not present a problem. It offers simplicity, good linearity, and good temperature stabilization. The pulse stretcher circuit of Fig. 4 would prove useful where lower amplitude pulses must be converted to time information. This circuit offers somewhat increased complexity, but provides very good linearity and reasonable temperature stability.

In both circuits, particularly the CCC circuit, improved methods of linearity and jitter measurements are desirable.

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Typical spdt microwave switch with one ground plane removed. Crystals are mounted close to r-f input arm of Tee



Waveguide Tee switch showing one crystal mounted in waveguide and variable short-circuited stubs used to tune crystals

Microwave Switching With Computer Diodes

Biasing techniques permit electronic switching of microwaves with small-area junction diodes. Series of spdt switches are formed by mounting germanium diodes in waveguides or transmission lines

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M ICROWAVE SWITCHES that utilize the high-frequency characteristics of small-area junction germanium diodes are described. Since no mechanical drives or contacts are required the switch will operate at high speeds with long life expectancy.

Switches for 1 to 10 kmc have been designed. X-band switches covering 7 to 10 kmc are fabricated in rectangular waveguide; all others in a type of coaxial transmission line (slabline).

Spdt and spst switches have been made. The spdt type is useful for low-level duplexing, time sharing or to switch r-f at high speeds.

Crystal switches offer smaller size, lower weight, faster switching and lower drive power requirements than mechanical or ferrite elements. Many crystal diodes were studied to determine their r-f characteristics and switching ratios. As a result, it is possible to choose them with only a knowledge of their r-f impedance.

Earlier Switches

Past designs include: an X-band switch using a 1N263 microwave germanium diode^{1, 6} an S-band coaxial switch using 1N91 germanium diodes⁴; and a switch in which a microwave crystal detunes a resonant circuit.² Some work has also been done by Uhlir on the use of diodes at high frequencies.⁷ While all these switches are compact and require low drive power, they are not capable of doublethrow operation over greater than octave bandwidths.

Crystals Tested

Silicon and germanium crystals of both microwave and computer types were tested for r-f impedance, insertion loss and switching action. Rectifiers and large area junction diodes were excluded because of their relatively long switching time³.

Result indicated that certain computer-type germanium diodes with high front-to-back ratios and low forward resistances would attain high r-f switching action. Since most of the previous work had apparently concentrated on microwave crystals exclusively, this result was not discovered. The 1N419 was selected for X-band and the 1N118 for all lower frequencies.

Because these computer crystals have larger current-handling capability and higher reverse breakdown voltage than microwave diodes, it is possible to switch at higher r-f power levels. Tests conducted on the X-band waveguide switch at power levels up to 4 watts c-w showed no significant degradation of switching or insertion loss characteristics. (See Fig. 1.) A coaxial switch has also been tested at 1 watt c-w with comparable results. (See Fig. 2.) It is expected that these crystal switches will operate at even higher powers, but this property has not been investigated and verified experimentally.

Switch Theory

From the impedance data of the 1N118 crystal shown in Fig. 3, it can be seen that in the reversebiased condition the crystal appears as a large capacitive reactance which decreases with increasing frequency. This impedance approximates that of a capacitive gap in the center conductor of a coaxial line. In the forward-biased condition, the crystal impedance can be approximated by a short length of 100-ohm coaxial line inserted in a 50-ohm coaxial line. Generally, the r-f impedance of the crystal in the forward-biased condition is dependent on the ground plane separation of the slabline. To achieve the 100ohm impedance, it is necessary to construct the slabline with small ground plane spacing—in this case 0.110 in. Diameter of the center conductor is chosen accordingly.

When the crystal is inserted in series with the center conductor of a coaxial line and biased in the forward direction, it exhibits a small insertion loss; when biased in the reverse direction, a large insertion loss is obtained as shown in Fig. 4. The insertion loss in both cases results mainly from reflective losses with very little r-f power being absorbed by the crystal.

Insertion loss in the forwardbiased condition increases slightly with frequency and insertion loss in the reverse-biased condition decreases with frequency. (See Fig. 4.) Insertion loss and switching of a given crystal can be calculated from the r-f impedance of the crystal; also, the frequency dependence of insertion loss and switching loss can be predicted. Switching loss is difference between reverse-biased and forward-biased insertion loss.

Operation and equivalent circuit of a crystal mounted across a waveguide through the broad face has been treated in other articles'. Basically, the crystal is considered as a series R-L-C circuit as in Fig. 5.

When the crystal is biased in the forward direction, barrier resistance R_{h} is small and effectively shunts the capacitance. The crystal then appears as a high impedance because of the series R-L circuit



FIG. 1—Switching as function of power for untuned waveguide switch using single IN419 crystal. Insertion loss remains constant. FIG. 2—Switching as function of power for coaxial Tee switch using two IN118 crystals per arm. FIG. 3—Impedance of single IN118 crystal mounted in 50-ohm slabline. Impedance is referred to center of crystal. FIG. 4—Switching and insertion losses as a function of frequency in a series switch. Single IN118 crystal is in series with center conductor of slabline





FIG. 6—Switching and insertion losses as function of frequency of series switch. IN419 is mounted in RG-5R/U waveguide

FIG. 7—Switching and insertion losses as functions of frequency of series switch on IN419 mounted in RG-52/U waveguide. Switch is tuned at each measured frequency for maximum switching loss

shunting the waveguide. This condition results in a small mismatch and a small insertion loss.

When biased in the reverse direction, $R_{\rm b}$ is very large, but it is shunted by the capacitive reactance. The equivalent circuit of the crystal then becomes a series R-L-C circuit with a small value of R. At resonance, the crystal is a very low r-f impedance shunting the waveguide similar to a short circuit. A large mismatch and insertion loss result as shown in Fig. 6.

Resistance makes the crystal a low-Q circuit. The switch operates favorably over about 500 mc centered at a resonant frequency determined by the crystal parameters. To switch at other frequencies, it is necessary to use a different crystal or tune the existing crystal.

A short-circuited coaxial line in series with the crystal adds reactance. Varying this reactance changes resonant frequency as in Fig. 7. To decrease frequency, inductive reactance is added; to increase frequency, capacitive reactance is added. Both slightly increase pass-power insertion loss. Switching and insertion loss can also be predicted from crystal impedance. (See Fig. 8.)

SPDT Slabline Switch

A single crystal placed in the center conductor of a coaxial line will switch r-f power; however, in doing so a large vswr is encountered in the stop-power condition. By placing one crystal in each arm of a slabline Tee it is possible to switch r-f power alternately between two loads.

In addition, if the crystals are placed at the junction of the Tee, or an integral number of half wavelengths away, the input vswr will be that of a single crystal biased in the forward direction. This impedance is seen in either condition of the switch. Slabline is used for simplicity of constructing d-c returns and ease of fabrication.

SPDT Wideband Switch

The two crystals are connected in series with a voltage applied at the connection. The outside ends are grounded by d-c returns.

When a positive voltage is applied to the crystals, one crystal is biased in the forward direction and the other in the reverse direction. The crystal biased in the reverse direction approximates a short length of 100-ohm line.

R-f power is transmitted through the forward-biased crystal with a small insertion loss while very little power will be transmitted through the other crystal. If the applied voltage is reversed, biasing of each crystal is reversed and r-f power is switched to the other output.

With the crystals mounted at the junction of the Tee, reliable operation is obtained over octave bandwidths with approximately the same changes in insertion loss and switching as with a single crystal. At higher frequencies, where gap reactance has decreased considerably, it is necessary to replace each single crystal by two crystals in series to preserve the high switching characteristics. (See Fig. 9.)

SPDT Waveguide Switch

As frequency increases, crystal length becomes an appreciable portion of a wavelength. When forward biased, insertion loss increases because of length of the high-impedance line; when reverse biased, gap reactance and switching decrease. A switch in waveguide has similar characteristics to a slabline switch except that it has smaller bandwidth (about 5 percent).

A waveguide Tee switch can use an H or E-plane Tee. Crystals are mounted in the broad face of the



FIG. B—Impedance of IN419 crystal mounted in RG-52/U waveguide. Impedance is referred to center line of crystal



FIG. 9—Switching and insertion losses of slabline Tee switch with a single IN118 crystal in each arm of Tee



FIG. 10—Single-throw Tee switch (A) and single-throw π switch (B)

guide in the plane of the continuation of the walls at the junction or an integral number of half wavelengths away.

Operation is similar to the slabline switch although two separate bias supplies are required. The crystal biased in the reverse direction approximates a short circuit across one arm of the Tee and a high insertion loss results, while the other crystal transmits r-f with small insertion loss. Bandwidth is limited because of the crystal tuning requirement and the necessity of placing crystals at a half wavelength from the junction.

Other Switch Devices

Other switches were made by inserting a diode in series with the center conductor of a coaxial line. L, Tee and π configurations were made with crystals in series with each arm, as in Fig. 10.

These switches are basically single-pole single-throw types that are capable of larger switching values than a single crystal. The crystals in the shunt arms are biased in the reverse direction and the series crystals are biased in the forward direction.

Another switch was designed using a zero-db coupler and placing crystals in series with the center conductors of two arms. It resulted in narrow-band switching⁵.

Crystal switches also operate as pulse modulators with rise time of $0.05 \ \mu sec$ or less, electronically variable attenuators, power dividers, duplexers — wherever high - speed variation of low-level r-f is required. It should be possible to extend power-handling ability and frequency range.

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Low-Pass Filter for

Low-pass filter uses three transistors and solid tantalum capacitors for a flat frequency response from d-c to the 1 cps cutoff frequency, attenuation slope of 15 db per octave, near zero insertion loss and good temperature stability

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D^{UE} TO THE limited number of higher response channels available on a missileborne telemeter it is often necessary to commutate signals that have frequency components greater than one-half the sampling rate. According to sampling theory, in order that the multiplexer shall not superimpose interfering sidebands on the signal, it is necessary to insert a low-pass filter between the signal source and the multiplexer.¹

Assume the signal requiring the filter is sampled at a 5-cps rate and has useful frequency components up to 1 cps and undesirable responses at 4.5 cps and higher. Because of the frequency characteristics of the signal, primary design objectives for the filter are for a 1 cps corner frequency and sufficient steepness of attenuation slope in the stop band so that the attenuation is 26 db or greater at 4.5 cps. Other criteria are for a flatness in pass band within 1 db, a d-c insertion loss not greater than 1 db and output impedance not greater than 10,000 ohms. The input signal voltage range is zero to 5 volts and signal source impedance is 4,000 ohms.

The required filter characteristics as defined by the above requirements are such that the filter should have a maximally flat frequency characteristic. Space and power supply limitations rule out a filter containing inductances or vacuum tubes. A passive RC filter would be unsatisfactory because of the insertion loss, output impedance and frequency characteristic requirement. The development of an active RC filter incorporating a highly stable simple transistor feedback amplifier and RC networks was the solution to the problem.

Amplifier Design

An active filter based on Fig. 3 (within the panel) has been developed for vacuum tubes using a gain stage and a cathode follower² A similar approach using a transistor in an emitter-follower configuration might be used. A d-c coupled emitter follower produces zero offset and introduces considerable drift with temperature. The amplifier incorporated in the filter has the desired characteristics of stable gain, zero d-c offset, low-temperature drift, high input impedance and low output impedance. The basic circuit diagram of this amplifier is shown in Fig. 4. In this circuit, drift is minimized by using a balanced input to transistors Q_1 and Q_2 . The signal is direct coupled from Q_1 to Q_2 through the directconnected emitters. The amplified signal on the collector of Q_{z} is coupled to the output through emitter follower Q_{3} . Unity closed-loop gain and feedback ratio results from connecting the output directly to the base of Q_2 . The input impedance of the amplifier is the input impedance of the common-collector input transistor and approaches as a limit the collector resistance of Q_1 . The output impedance of this amplifier is essentially the output impedance of an emitter follower that has as its input a zero impedance generator. Due to the tight negative feedback loop the base of Q_a sees essentially a zero impedance and the amplifier output impedance is less than 100 ohms.

There are three principle sources

of zero drift due to temperature. Zero drift can result from variations in the d-c supply voltages. Maximum drift occurs when the plus and minus supply voltage are both changing in the positive direction or vice versa. Under this condition a change of 1 percent in each power supply causes a zero drift of 14 millivolts at the output.

Another source of zero drift is due to a shift in the emitter voltage -collector current transfer characteristics of transistors Q_1 and Q_2 . This shift in parameters of Q_1 results in a zero drift that is cancelled by a corresponding shift in the parameters of Q_2 due to the rejection of common-mode signals that is characteristic of the differential circuit incorporated in this amplifier. The drift due to this source can be minimized if required, by using transistors that are matched with respect to temperature characteristics and are connected by a good thermal conductive path.

A third source of temperature drift is the variation with temperature of the input current of Q_1 . This produces a zero drift at the input to the amplifier that is directly proportional to the source resistance of the input signal. If signal source resistance is of a value such that zero drift introduces significant error, compensation must be employed. If base current of Q_i (Fig. 4) is plotted as a function of temperature it is found that a fairly linear plot is obtained over the temperature range of 0 to 100 C. The magnitude of current at a given temperature will vary for different transistors but the slope of the plot

Subaudio Frequencies

ACTIVE NETWORK THEORY

The filter network used is essentially a cascaded RC filter with feedback. Consider a twosection RC filter to give an attenuation slope of 12 db per oc-





tave. The two-section RC filter in cascade shown in Fig. 1 has a transfer function which equals

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\frac{1}{S}} \\ \sqrt{\frac{1}{R_1 C_1 R_2 C_2}} \end{bmatrix}^2 + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{S}{\sqrt{R_1 C_1 R_2 C_2}} \\ \frac{R_1 C_1 + R_2 C_2 + R_1 C_2}{\sqrt{R_1 C_1 R_2 C_2}} \end{bmatrix} + 1 \quad (1)$$

which equals

 $1 [(S \omega_0)^2 + (S \omega_0) 2 \xi + 1]$ (2) where

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{1} R_1 \overline{C_1 R_2 C_2}$$

and

 $2\xi = R_1C_1 + R_2C_2 + R_1C_2 \quad \sqrt{R_1C_1R_2C_2} \quad (3)$

The shape of the frequency characteristic of F(S) is dependent only on the value of the parameter ξ (see Fig. 2). The constant ω_n determines the position of the corner frequency in the frequency domain. From equation 3

$$\xi = R_1 C_1 + R_2 C_2 + R_1 C_2 / 2 \sqrt{R_1 C_1 R_2 C_2}$$
(4)

for various transistors will agree quite closely. Compensation in the form of a resistance and thermistor network between the positive voltage source and the base of the transistor to be compensated provides a current of equal but negative slope to reduce the zero drift at the amplifier input from 1.6 millivolts/ degree C to 0.4 millivolt/degree C

Assuming

 $R_1C_1 = R_2C_2 = RC$ Then

$$\xi = \frac{2RC + R_1C_2}{2RC} = 1 + \frac{R_1C_2}{2RC}$$
(5)

Equation 5 shows that the shape of the curves obtainable is restricted to those shapes corresponding to $\xi > 1$. These curves do not possess the more desirable frequency characteristics. When feedback is used, it is possible to obtain curves corresponding to $\xi < 1$.

Consider the original two-section RC filter inserted in the forward path of any amplifier with a gain K. The transfer function of a feedback amplifier of gain K and feedback factor β can be shown to be

$$1 (\beta + 1 K)$$

(6)

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This transfer function is modified by the insertion of a twosection RC filter as shown in Fig. 3 so that



FIG. 2—Shape of the frequency characteristics is dependent on $\boldsymbol{\xi}$

 $\frac{R_1}{R_1} = \frac{R_2}{C_2} + \frac{C_2}{K} + \frac{e_0}{B}$ $\frac{G(S) = \frac{K}{\frac{1}{F(S)} + \beta K}}$

FIG. 3—Two-section RC filter is inserted in forward path of amplifier

$$G(S) = \frac{1}{\beta + 1 \ KF(S)} = \frac{K}{1 \ F(S) + \beta K}$$
(7)

Where F(S) is the transfer function of the two-section RC filter. Substituting equation (1) for F(S).

 $G(S) = K (R_1 C_1 R_2 C_2) S^2 +$ $(R_1 C_1 + R_2 C_2 + R_1 C_2) S + 1 + \beta K$ (8)

The new values of ω_1 and ξ_1 are

$$\sqrt{\frac{1+\beta K}{R_{1}C_{1}R_{2}C_{2}}} \text{ and} \\ \frac{R_{1}C_{1}+R_{2}C_{2}+R_{1}C_{2}}{2\sqrt{(1+\beta K)}(R_{1}C_{1}R_{2}C_{2})}} \qquad (9)$$
ssuming $R_{1}C_{1} = R_{2}C_{2} = RC$

$$f = \frac{2 RC + R_1 C_2}{2 RC \sqrt{1 + \beta K}} = \frac{1 + [R_1 C_2 \ 2 RC]}{\sqrt{1 + \beta K}}$$
(10)

There is now means of adjusting ξ_1 to any value from 1 + $[R_1C_2/2 \ RC]$ corresponding to $\beta = 0$, see equation (5), to

$$\frac{1 + [R_1C_2 \ 2 \ RC]}{\sqrt{1 + \beta K}}$$

to obtain any set of curves within the limits of β and K.

over the range of -25 to +80 degrees C.

Active Filter Design

The 12 db per octave filter of Fig. 4 incorporates a two-section RC network and a temperature compensated amplifier. This feedback filter can be designed to have a response that very closely approximates the maximally flat frequency characteristic. The frequency characteristic is determined by the amount of feedback voltage as selected by the ratio of R_3 to R_4 and by the ratio of R_1C_1 to R_2C_2 . A close approximation of corner frequency is $1/2 \pi \sqrt{[1/R_1C_1R_2C_2]}$. The values of R_1 and R_2 should be made as small as possible to limit temperature



FIG. 4—Basic filter-amplifier uses three transistors



FIG. 5—Output of final design filter-amplifier uses passive RC section

drift. The temperature compensation network is made up of resistors R_5 , R_6 and R_7 along with thermistor $R_{\rm s}$. This network can be designed after the values of R_1 , R_2 and R_{gen} are known. The filter is designed to accommodate an input signal that varies from 0 to + 5 v. Limiting occurs with negative signals that are greater than -1.5 v. Potentiometer $R_{\rm p}$ is an adjustment for d-c zero set. This adjustment is set for zero d-c at the output with the input grounded.

The ultimate filter design which meets the particular requirements for a filter to precede a 5-rps commutator consists of an active filter cascaded with a passive RC network. Although the passive network may be placed either ahead of or after the active filter, it follows the active filter because input conditions are unchanged and output impedance remains sufficiently low. This design maintains the simplicity of the one active stage, requiring only the addition of a resistor and a capacitor, yet provides sufficient attenuation slope.

The active section of this filter shown in Fig. 5 is designed to have a frequency characteristic such that when its response is combined with the response of a passive section, R_1 and C_1 , the resultant frequency characteristic closely resembles that desired. In order to achieve this type of frequency response in the active section of the filter, the factor βK must be greater than for an active filter without a passive section. The ratio of resistors R_2 and R_3 of Fig. 5 determines the gain K of the amplifier.

The ratio of R_1 to R_3 determines the magnitude of β . The product βK greatly controls the shape of the frequency curve. Proper choice of the two resistance ratios can provide an optimum overall frequency characteristic and zero overall d-c insertion loss. Figure 6 shows the nominal overall frequency characteristic of the cascaded active and passive filter. This final design of the filter has a corner frequency of not less than one cps (3 db point); insertion loss, adjustable to zero if desired, less than one db with no adjustment: flat passband, within ± 1 db from d-c to 0.7 cps; attenuation slope of 15 db per octave; input signal voltage range of 1.5 to +7.5 v peak; zero drift of less than 0.4 millivolt per degree C; d-c input impedance of 0.5 megohm; and an output impedance of 2.5 kilohms.

The filter is packaged in a modular plug-in subassembly. Silicon transistors are used because of their superior temperature characteristics. Supply voltages are regulated to minimize zero drift.



FIG. 6-Nominal overall frequency characteristic of filter-amplifier

In order to maintain the same degree of flatness in the pass band. a closer tolerance on capacitance is required for a cascaded active and passive filter than for a filter consisting of only active stages since a fall off in the pass band of the passive filter stage must be compensated by a corresponding peaking in the active stage to produce a maximally flat response. For this condition a given change in the capacitance of C_1 in Fig. 4 results in a greater change in the amplitude of the overshoot than when the frequency characteristic of the active stage is flat in the pass band. Using capacitors with a tolerance of ± 20 percent, it was found impractical to combine the active filter stage with a passive stage of more than one section, and still maintain a flatness of ± 1 db as necessitated by design requirements unless an additional adjustable resistance network were inserted in the feedback loop of the filter to vary β . The frequency characteristics of the filter might be maintained precisely within the limits imposed by the temperature coefficient of the capacitors by trimming the filter networks to keep constant the RC products of each section. In assembling the filter the capacitors can be measured and values of resistance selected to provide the required RC product.

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How It Works

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The sawtooth is coupled through emitter follower Q_1 and a portion is fed back to the base of Q_2 through D_1 , so that at some predetermined bias-level the flip-flop is reset with Q_2 in saturation and Q_1 cut-off. Switch Q_3 is driven quickly into saturation by a positive pulse through C_1 to the base of Q_3 , thereby providing fast recovery for timing capacitor C_3 .

Range switch S_1 provides a range sweep of 15, 50, and 200 miles by selecting a single timing capacitor



FIG. 1—Simple circuit provides constant amplitude for three ranges. Linearity is kept within one percent without use of a bootstrap circuit

for each range. The output sawtooth is obtained from the emitter of Q_1 ; a positive gate-pulse is obtained from the collector of Q_{a} . Precision timing of the sawtooth is obtained without adjustments by using precision parts in the R-Ctiming network and by making the input impedance to emitter follower Q_1 high compared to the value of R_7 . so that the timing of the waveform is independent of the active elements of the circuit. The linearity of the sawtooth is held within one percent without the use of a bootstrap circuit by using a +300-v supply for the charging potential and by restricting the amplitude of the sawtooth to about 15 v.

Constant Amplitude

The amplitude of the sawtooth is determined by the bias level at the

junction of R_{\pm} and R_{\pm} and by the energy required to trigger Q_{\pm} . Constant amplitude regardless of range selection is maintained by choosing the proper value of C_{\pm} . The trigger amplitude required for a slow rising sawtooth is less than for a fast rising sawtooth because the time duration, and thus the energy, of the former is greater. The value of C_{\pm} is such that the feedback is increased for a fast rising sawtooth but it has very little affect on the feedback of a slow rising sawtooth.

The circuit is designed to operate over a temperature range of -55 to +85 degrees C. This required care in component selection.

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COSMIC RAY research program will be executed by the University of Chicago and the U. S. Navy. The program has entered the final months of preparation. The expedition to the West Indies area is called Skyhook 60 and is sponsored by the National Science Foundation and the Office of Naval Research. (See ELECTRONICS, p 11, Jan. 1. 1960.)

Objective of the experiment is to keep a large amount of film at the edge of the atmosphere in Skyhook balloons for as long as possible. The film will record cosmic rays at very high energy levels.

D. M. Haskin, Chicago University research aide to M. Schein, director of the project, will pick up 2,800 pounds of special film in England. The \$100,000 worth of film will be flown back to Chicago to be put in capsules.

Balloon Capsules

The Atlantic fleet will aid in recovery of the 2,500-pound capsules to be released by the balloons. The balloons are expected to reach an altitude of 100,000 to 120,000 ft (18 to 22 miles) and to remain aloft for about 48 hours.

The balloons will be launched from the flight deck of the USS Valley Forge. Each balloon capsule will contain an 800-pound block of emulsion sheets somewhat like photographic film.

Emulsion Blocks

The emulsion blocks are designed to record primary cosmic rays or nuclear particles that reach energies as high as 10¹⁵ electron volts as they fall toward earth. Chicago University officials say that research at these high energy levels has heretofore been almost nonexistent.

The complete scientific program is named Project ICEF (International Cooperative Emulsion Flight) with 25 universities and research institutes taking part. All scientific work is under Schein's direction. He has been working in the area of cosmic ray research for several years using high altitude balloons. Funds totaling \$625,000, were provided by the National Sci-

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Possible Results

Present theories explain interactions of nuclear particles at low energy levels. However, there is no complete explanation of particle activity at very high energies, more than 100 times that of the 25¹⁰ electron volts produced by the Cern accelerator at Geneva. Formation of a more complete relativistic theory of very high energy phenomena may result from the cosmic research project.

The unusually large block of emulsion sent to high altitudes for long periods increases the number of high energy primary particles detected. Nuclear events can be traced in three dimensions by the stacked sheets. Depth of the emulsion block allows detection of many complete events, such as the entire chain of secondary interactions that were started by each primary particle.

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The company has developed a 4-ft pilot model and is working on a 10-ft design. Spincast antennas up to 60 ft in diameter are planned for early development. Theoretically there seems to be no size limit for this production method except for the size limitation of a stable spinning table.

Work on spun plastic optical mirrors has been done by P. B. Archibald of the University of California Radiation Laboratory under auspices of the Atomic Energy Commission. Optical paraboloids of this type up to 3 ft in diameter have been produced for the purpose of light gathering.



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Bending Ceramic and Ionic Crystals

By SHELDON WEINIG, President, Materials Research Corporation, Yonkers, New York

DESIGNATING a ceramic material as useful for a specific application severely limits its scope. Under the impetus of space and rocket requirements as well as cryogenic and elevated temperature needs, ceramic materials are now used in areas never before considered.

This article discusses four basic ceramic research programs and some very general areas of application. These programs are presently being performed at the laboratories of the Materials Research Corporation in Yonkers, New York, under contract to the Office of Naval Research, Atomic



FIG. 2—Microphotographic studies exhibiting grain boundary displacements in ceramic crystals are being used to investigate thermal conductivity. Attempts are made to create thermal diffusion paths



FIG. 1—Examples of crystals of ceramic and ionic materials. Ionics were bent by application of high d-c voltage. Ceramics were bent after a clean surface was produced. NaCl bent at -117 C (A) and at 25 C (B); LiF bent at 400 C (C); and MgO bent at 25 C (D) and 400 C (E). Electronic applications are apparent

Energy Commission and the Office of Scientific Research, U. S. Air Force, respectively.

Ductile or Brittle

Undoubtedly the most important physical property of a metal is its formability. In contrast, one serious difficulty in utilizing ceramic materials is their inability to be plastically deformed. It was recently found that a single crystal of magnesia (Mg0) could be bent immediately after cleaving, that is after a clean surface was exposed. This led to the conjecture that the embrittled state was not the natural state of the material, but that ductility was lost because of surface contamination.

Using this concept it has been possible to bend "clean" crystals of ceramic and ionic materials as illustrated in Fig. 1. This apparent ductility is certainly of interest in the laboratory but lacks the adaptability required for practical application. What is required is a mode of ductilization that doesn't necessitate cleaving or dissolving the material immediately prior to deformation.

A technique has been developed which will ductilize ionic crystals through the application of a high voltage d-c source across the material during the actual deformation. Crystals of NaCl were bent



FIG. 3—Curves show stress rupture curves for aluminum with no reinforcement (O v/o fibers) and with varying concentrations of longitudinally-oriented ceramic fiber-alloy compacts (6, 8, and 18 v/o fibers)

into a horseshoe shape, reversed, and bent in the opposite direction. Although the technique has not been extended to Mg0 or other ceramic materials, applications for the ionics are immediately apparent: Crystal detectors requiring special shapes, or perhaps a more important application is for crystal transducers.

Grain Boundary Phenomena

The poor thermal shock resistance of ceramics is due to the inability of the ceramic to equalize its heat content sufficiently rapidly, i.e. low thermal conductivity. If impurity atoms of a metallic nature were preferentially segregated to the grain boundaries then short

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circuit thermal diffusion paths could be developed which will result in a marked increase in thermal shock resistance.

One method of measuring the ability of an atom to segregate at the boundary is to measure the shear resistance of the grain boundary. This study is performed with bi-crystals of Mg0. The program also investigates the mechanism of elevated temperature deformation of the ceramic material.

Bi-crystals of NaC1 and Mg0 have been sheared under varying conditions of time, temperature and applied load. Typical specimens are shown in Fig. 2. The originally straight fiducial markings have been displaced across the boundary. Present experiments are designed to selectively segregate metallic impurities at the boundaries.

Ceramic-Metal Fibers

One of the most interesting areas of materials technology has been the attempt to combine different types of substances and thereby utilize the excellent properties of each: in particular, making composite metal-glass fiber and metalceramic fiber compacts. This concept is similar to reinforced concrete where the metal rods are replaced with glass or ceramic fibers and the metal substituted for the concrete.

In this way the inherent strength of the fibers due to both material and geometry is obtained while still retaining the excellent properties of the metal. The high surface-to-volume ratio of the fiber reduces the thermal shock propensity of the ceramic material.

Materials

Compacting is especially advantageous in that it is in no way restricted to any specific fiber or metal combination. Successful compacts have been made between materials that are not normally compatible by utilizing intermediary coating agents for the fibers.

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These devices have been used in the Univac Lark computer, Remington Rand, which operates at very high speeds and in more than a dozen other high-speed computer prototypes.

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Ring styles vary widely. Cross sections of a typical miniature type is shown in Fig. 1. This type has a body molded over the bundled leads. The body is machined and the rings formed in the machined grooves.

Leads are first bundled around a notched and varnished center wire. The ends of the center wire are



FIG. 1-Cross sections of typical miniature cylindrical slip ring assembly



Leads are held in position with soft wire wrap



Body slug is formed around leads by molding

clipped off at the notches (scores) as a finishing operation. Lead wires are prepared by winding wire on a cam whose circumference equals the length desired. The coil is slit into individual leads.

Bundling Leads

The wires are aligned in parallel holes running lengthwise in a cylindrical jig. The holes correspond to wire positions in the body. The jig is slid up the wires while being rotated, forming a twisted bundle. Outer ends of the bundle



Bundle is primed with encapsulating compound



Dental drill is used to cut ring keys in shaft

are later soldered to maintain position. Ends which will be inside the body are laid parallel on the center wire by withdrawing the jig in a straight motion. As the inner ends are exposed, they are wrapped with soft nickel-plated copper wire turns spaced about $\frac{1}{16}$ inch.

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Keys Formed

The grooves are prepared to receive the rings. The front shaft is laid in a fixture under a microscope. The operator uses a dental burr to rout out a key hole in the bottom of each groove and in the insulation of the lead corresponding to each groove. A portion of the lead wire metal is also routed out so that the ring will be keyed to both the body and the lead. The routed spots, or picks, form a spiral from groove to groove up the length of the shaft.



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COMPUTER CONTROL CO., INC., 983 Concord St., Framingham, Mass., announces model UI-10 unit indicator for use with its line of T-PAC modules. Each UI-10 displays the output of a logical element package (model LE-10) or a static flip-flop (model FS-10), and contains provision for driving an external indicator. Power requirements:-90 v, 1 ma minimum to 2.3 ma maximum. Input requirements: accepts +0.6 v, at 0.1 ma from the LE-10; or -12 v, at 0.2 ma from the FS-10; or 1 mc pulses, 2.5 v minimum amplitude.

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Transducer displacement type

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Quartz Crystal subminiature

THE KEYSTONE ELECTRONICS CO., 65 Seventh Ave., Newark 4, N. J. Type KC-43A quartz crystal is available in subminiature HC-18/U military-type holders. It has a frequency range of 4 mc through 150 mc, with a frequency shift of less

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Dual Pots low torque

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Transformer chopper input type

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Coaxial Diode tripolar

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DIGITAL DATA RECORDING SYSTEM. Datex Corp., 1307 S. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif. Bulletin No. 350-8 describes a digital data recording system designed for the automatic testing of vacuum tubes on a mass-production basis.

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VIBRATION METER. Southwestern Industrial Electronics Co., 10201 Westheimer, Houston 27, Texas. Model T-1A vibration meter, designed for accurate measurement of the velocity, displacement amplitude and acceleration of vibration, is described and illustrated in a recent bulletin.

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GENERAL PLATE PRODUCTS. Metals & Controls Division of Texas Instruments Inc., 34 Forest St. Attleboro, Mass. A revised brochure describes the scope of the manufacturer's line including solid and clad base metals, solid and clad precious metals, thermostat metals, electrical contacts, and the company's "industrial" metals.

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COAX TRANSMISSION LINES. Prodelin, Inc., 307 Bergen Ave., Kearney, N. J., has available catalog No. 595 showing its entire series 800 rigid copper and rigid aluminum coaxial transmission lines and accessories.

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SUBMINIATURE SERVOMECH-ANISM. Servo Development Corp., 567 Main St., Westbury, L. I., N. Y. A 16-page brochure describes a kit of precision parts designed to cons ruct model 20-200 subminiature servomechanisms for use in lab-

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ULTRAMICROWAVE EQUIP-MENT. Demornay-Bonardi, 780 S. Arroyo Parkway, Pasadena, Calif. A 12-page brochure illustrates and describes instruments and components for the W size—90 to 140 kmc.

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SILICON TRANSISTORS. Transitron Electronic Corp., 168-182 Albion St., Wakefield, Mass. A two-page reference piece lists descriptions, important data and useful applications of five new silicon transistor developments.

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STRAIN GAGES. N. V. Philips' Gloeilampen-fabrieken, Eindhoven, Nederland, A 49-page brochure gives an extensive description of the technique and applications of strain gages and strain measureing equipment.

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FERRITE ISOLATORS. Polytechnic Research & Development Co., Inc., 202 Tillary St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y. A recent bulletin describes PRD 1203-1209 ferrite isolators which are specially designed to offer maximum isolation and minimum insertion loss over a frequency range of 3.95 to 26.5 kmc. CIRCLE 384 ON READER SERVICE CARD

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TIME DELAY RELAYS. Tempo Instrument Inc., P. O. Box 338. Hicksville, N. Y. Bulletin 5903 is an 8-page illustrated catalog containing technical data on a line of time delay relays incorporating the company's no-moving-parts transistor timing module.

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Immediate plans call for the development of commercial and consumer items to supplement present government and military business. CGSL is best known in the electronics industry for its TRAK line of advanced communications equipment, including a high-performance antenna multicoupler for the 2-32 mc range and the Increductor controllable inductor, a high-frequency saturable reactor. The firm also manufactures miniature S-band oscillator cavities.



Scott to Head Plant Management

FRED SCOTT, formerly of Kearfott Mfg. Co., has been appointed to the newly created position of general plant manager at Astron Corp., East Newark, N. J.

The post coordinates the many manufacturing functions that have developed from increased sales and facility expansions, according to Irving Black, Astron's executive vice president.

Analab Adds To Staff

APPOINTMENT of Theodore Lasar, Philip G. Schifflin, and Edwin J. Sommers as senior engineers at Analab Instrument Corp., Cedar Grove, N. J., was recently announced by Clee O. Marsh, vice president and chief engineer for the company.

Lasar was formerly a senior engineer with Allen B. DuMont Laboratories. Prior to that he was with the Weston Electrical Corp. and the Bendix Aviation Co.

Schifflin brings to Analab 21 years of experience in the administrative and technical direction of design, fabrication and assembly of a-m and f-m receivers, military and electronic developmental models, telephone test equipment and tv receiver engineering models. His most recent position was with DuMont Laboratories as a research administration coordinator.

Sommers is responsible for the mechanical design engineering at Analab, and most recently was with the Emerson Radio and Phonograph Co. as a senior engineer. Previous experience included four years with the Western Electric Co. and ten years with DuMont Laboratories.



Fairchild Takes Important Post

To HEAD UP Dynamics Corp. of America's first overseas operation —a newly-created Latin America-Far East division—the company's board has elected John A. Fairchild as corporate vice president in charge of commercial and governmental operations in South and Central America and the Orient.

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Sperry Names Plant Engineer

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SAM J. KARNG was recently named department head of plant and industrial engineering at Sperry Semiconductor, So. Norwalk, Conn. This division of Sperry Rand Corp. manufactures silicon diodes and transistors.

For 8 years prior to joining Sperry, Karng was a plant engineer for General Electric Co.

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Communication Accessories Co., Lee's Summit, Mo., adds Northport Engineering, Inc., of St. Paul, Minn., to its list of manufacturer's reps. Territory assigned includes Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and the state of Wisconsin north of and not including the counties of Crawford, Richland, Sauk, Juneau, Wood, Marathon, Shawano, Brown and Kewaunee.

Pacific northwest sales representation for Cal Chassis will now be **Don Kohler** of Seattle, Wash., according to sales manager H. P. Balderson, of California Chassis Co., Lynwood, Calif. Area will include Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Digitronics Corp., Albertson, N. Y., announces the appointment of Components Sales Corp. of Hartsdale, N. Y., as its rep for the sale of the Dykor high speed perforated tape reader. Territory covered is New York State and the northern half of New Jersey.

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COMMENT

Microminiaturization

In regard to the article "Three Approaches to Microminiaturization," p 49, Dec. 11 '59:

The author's description of type C. under which he identifies Texas Instruments' Semiconductor Solid Circuits, states the components are mounted on one surface of a single wafer. In this approach no discrete nor nondiscrete components are mounted: Semiconductor Solid Circuits are fabricated from a single wafer. By using only a single wafer of semiconductor material, the bonds between dissimilar materials that are encountered in other approaches and conventional components are mainly eliminated. This is a significant feature of Semiconductor Solid Circuits and it is one of the reasons for the potentially improved reliability of these devices.

The primary disadvantage to the type C approach from the author's viewpoint is the temperature and voltage coefficients of semiconductors. Because of these effects, the conclusion is made that linear components cannot be made, limiting these devices to logic type functions. Semiconductor Solid Circuits have the potential to perform many linear circuit functions. It is not inevitable that linear functions cannot be made. The initial development effort was focused on nonlinear functions and, with the successful development of a number of these devices, such as multivibrators, gates, and other logic elements, an intensive investigation of linear functions has begun. This development effort has been most encouraging.

Early in the article, extreme component densities are attributed to semiconductor functional devices, so further emphasis on decreased size would appear to evoke increased interest in this approach. It was puzzling to read the author's "conclusion" that further emphasis on size reduction together with temperature and voltage coefficients of semiconductor material will tend to limit the applications of this approach.

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