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IEEE PREVIEW. Finding your way around this year's convention is even more of a puzzle than ever before. About 75,000 foot-sore visitors are expected to plod past the more than 1,000 exhibits. In the 64 technical sessions, eight running simultaneously throughout the meeting, engineers will present 320 papers.

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IEEE PREVIEW: MICROCIRCUITS GROW UP IN 1964. Unexpectedly rapid growth of integrated-circuit applications are shaking up the industry. The signs of maturity at the Show will be the increasing number of companies that will be selling catalog circuits. Behind the scenes, the signs of maturity are industry concern about the possibility of overcapacity and price cutting

BIG COMPUTER, SMALL PACKAGE. New Navy computer packs four times the memory and eight times the speed of its predecessor into a volume of 60 cubic feet. The developer claims it compares with any of today's large commercial computers. Also introduced last week, a secretary-sized computer in the very-low-priced field

IEEE PREVIEW: ASSESSING THE TECHNICAL PROGRAM. The editors have culled the program to find some of the more interesting and significant presentations. The subjects range from the exotic, microwave transmission of power without wires, to the prosaic, security for pay $t v$

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METAL BASE TRANSISTOR FOR MICROWAVE DUTY. New device made of a thin metal sandwich has exceptional high frequency characteristics. In addition, it promises good resistance to radiation.
By D. V. Geppert and R. A. Mueller, Stanford Research Institute
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## THE FRUSTRATING PROBLEM OF INDUCTANCE IN MICROELECTRONICS. Performance of an inductor falls sharply with miniaturization so it takes a special design to incorporate inductance into integrated circuits. This article compares three different approaches.

By W. E. Newell, Westinghouse Research Laboratories
IEEE PREVIEW. THE TWO FACES OF WILL COPP. With a soft voice and tough rules, he runs the show. The man who built the electronics industry into the biggest and most successful show in any industry doesn't like publicity. Here's the first complete profile ever written about him

REMOTE DATA GATHERERS. The Atomic Energy Commission foresees the installation in the next five years of hundreds of automatic weather stations and other unmanned facilities. The reason: development of isotope-fueled generators

IEEE PREVIEW: THE EXHIBITORS WORRY. The keynote of the Show this year will be increased competitive pressure. There will be relatively few companies showing prestige products. Exhibitors are emphasizing new components, instruments, sub-assemblies-products that they can sell now

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## CRDSSTALK

# Spring Tonic 

IN TWO WEEKS, when the feet are weary and the head pounds from too much imbibing and too little sleep, a lot of people will again promise themselves never to attend another IEEE show and meeting. Engineers, salesmen, and exhibitors have been threatening to swear off it for years. Still, every year the annual event gets bigger and busier.

There's no question that it's become the worst mob scene at any technical event. An engineer has an awful time fighting his way through jammed aisles at New York's abysmally designed Coliseum to find a particular exhibit. When he's finally at his destination, he gets little or no chance to talk to a technically qualified booth attendant. At best, he may get a smile from a model whose charm far exceeds her technical knowledge.

The technical sessions aren't much more helpful. They've become an eight-ring circus (page 35). The eager visitor has to spread himself wafer-thin in order to attend a part of each meeting. Probably nobody will go to that much trouble, because few of the papers at the technical sessions are worth all that effort (page 39). Instead, many visitors will be diverted to the company-sponsored seminars being held in surrounding hotels-complete with lunch.

Still, this rat race continues to be a rallying point for the industry, and therefore deserves support. No other industry has such a stimulus. During February and part of March, engineers at hundreds of companies worked frantically to put the finishing touches to product designs that will be introduced and displayed. Some of these products would not have been ready until autumn without the deadline of the IEEE show to push them.

The show acts as a giant trade fair. If the visitor is energetic enough, he can manage a brief look at most of the new hardware in the industry-and much that's not so new but still useful. Seventyfive thousand potential customers are on hand, even if most of them can't get into any individual booth. Salesmen call on customers during the show, and a lot of orders are booked. It's also a good chance to see what the competition is doing.

For recruiters, the show is a happy hunting ground. For dissatisfied engineers, it is a hope of finding a way out of a blind or boring work alley.

For four days, New York is a giant electronics klatch. Gossip about commercial, technical and personnel events buzzes at restaurants, subways, and even hot-dog stands.

On balance, the advantages of the IEEE's annual confab outweigh its shortcomings. The electronics industry needs the event. Once a year is not too often to rekindle the enthusiasms of man and company.

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## PATENTS

Your Newsletter item, Patent Prices Going Up? (p 17, Feb. 21), should alert every independent inventor and small business to the devastating effect this bill, H. R. 8190, will have if passed by Congress.
Already frustrated by the inequities and discouragements to which our patent system has sunk during the past thirty or forty years, these little fellows, who have consistently come up with most of our great industry-founding inventions of the past, but who have now been reduced to about $40 \%$ of the total number of patentees, will assuredly be further decimated and forced to enter the inventive corrals of the large corporations where they are stripped of their creative rights and given only a living wage by their employment contracts. These sharply-increasing, proposed patent fees offer no obstacles at all to corporate industry, but they would surely lead to the extermination of independent and generally impoverished independent inventors who have somehow survived in this arid and inhospitable climate for technological creativity.
The fountain head of our economy is invention, which must be encouraged in every possible way. Increased patenting fees and the frustrations of unrewarded employment contracts can only reduce still further our now relatively low patent output. This bill, now before Congress, should be strenuously opposed by every one interested in our country's future. If the Patent Officethe virtual Cinderella among U. S. agencies as to appropriations, yet the source of all our econmic wealth-needs increased funds to meet current needs, Congress should appropriate them, not kill the geese who lay the golden eggs of our prosperity by further bleeding of our creative citizenry, already in a hostile and extremely speculative climate. . . .
B. F. Miessner

Pres., Patent Equity Assoc. and independent inventor
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- According to one of our patent-holding editors, there are very few independent inventors left. More important, the patent fees usually amount to less than ten percent of the search and legal fees, which are the big expense items.
Regardless of fees, the Patent Office itself offers no protection to the independent inventor who discovers that his patent is being infringed upon. Big corporations can afford to fight patent infringements, and tend to gain the most from the services offered by the Patent Office.


## SELENIUM RECTIFIER

Some time ago we received reprints of your Family Tree of Semiconductors (p 45, April 26, 1963). We think it is a good idea to give information about semiconductors in this clear and handy way.
Nevertheless we take the liberty to make a comment. In your historical review you say that selenium rectifiers were developed in 1942. We think this is not right because the Süddeutsche Apparate Fabrik at Nürnberg introduced the first selenium rectifier already in 1930. This factory is a member of the International Telephone and Telegraph System.
M. Koster

Nederlandsche Standard Electric Mij. N. V.
The Hague, Netherlands

- According to an ITT engineer familiar with its history, the first selenium rectifier was made in 1928 by the Süddeutsche Apparate Fabrik. The process was taken to the French ITT affiliate in the early Thirties, then went several years later to the ITT English company. In 1938 the process was brought to the United States by ITT, which assembled selenium rectifiers from imported parts for a short time, before starting a production line.


## SQUARE-ROOT COMPUTER

The article by H. H. Wieder entitled, Square-Root Computer Uses Hall Multiplier (p 30, Jan. 24) was very interesting and informative.
I would like to call your attention to an error that was probably a misprint. Following Eq. 3, the condition "for ( $v_{m} / v_{o}$ ) > 1" should be changed to read "for $\left(v_{m} / v_{0}\right) \ll 1$ " if eq. 2 is to be a good approximation to Eq. 3.

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| 30 | 50 | $8 \mu \mathrm{a}$ | 20\% | B |
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| 6 | 30 | 2.5 на | 12\% | AA |
| 10 | 30 | $3 \mu \mathrm{a}$ | 15\% | A |
| 45 | 30 | $8 \mu \mathrm{a}$ | 25\% | B |
| 120 | 30 | $10 \mu \mathrm{a}$ | 30\% | C |
| 60 | 20 | $7 \mu \mathrm{a}$ | 25\% | B |
| 80 | 15 | $6 \mu \mathrm{a}$ | 30\% | B |
| 200 | 15 | $8 \mu \mathrm{a}$ | 30\% | C |
| 120 | 10 | $5 \mu \mathrm{a}$ | $33 \%$ | B |
| 300 | 10 | $7 \mu \mathrm{a}$ | 33\% | C |
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## 1964: The Year Microcircuits Grew Up


#### Abstract

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NEW YORK - If you go to the IEEE Show March 23, you are going to see microcircuits and more microcircuits. You are going to see microcircuits whether you give a darn about them or not. Though they still can't touch conventional electronic components in all-around utility, microcircuits will shoulder their way into the IEEE Show spotlight. There will be too many of them this year to ignore.

In fact, this may be the last IEEE Show at which microcircuits enjoy the favored status of a brash, young product. They are growing up faster than the industry expected.

Demand has grown so in the last few months that even some of the most optimistic manufacturers are started. Production capacity is grow-
ing so fast that some firms are beginning to get edgy about the question of price cutting.

Barely a year ago, the prevailing opinion was that microcircuits would enjoy a long adolescence, growing to maturity under the comfortable pricing that custom production allows. At the 1963 Show, the sales message was primarily capability. This year, it will be capability, plus availability of proven units at competitive prices.
"You'll see a broadening of the product base and more and more evidence of getting into production," predicts Robert Noyce, general manager of Fairchild Semiconductor. Harry Knowles, manager of Westinghouse Electric's Molecular Electronics division, expects to see a lot more hard peddling of catalog microcircuits. "What was being talked about last year is now available off-the-shelf, and in quantities of thousands rather than ones and twos."

Applications Speedup - David A. Hill of Hughes Aircraft, chairman of the IEEE session 31 on microcir-

## POOR MAN'S APPROACH

Cleveland Metal Specialties will show pseudo thin films and pseudo multilayer circuits for use with solid-state devices (booth 1914). Sales manager Sal Gross calls it the "poor man's approach" to microcircuits, less expensive versions that can be used now in commercial electronics equipment, as well as military.

Gross, who just completed an eight-week swing around the country, finds more "make" decisions now than he's seen in a long while. But, he says, the industry is very cost-conscious and the only way to get more business is to provide lower-cost, more sophisticated devices.
cuits, cites the military's initial sizable support. Equipment development is entering a phase that once was not anticipated before 1970. Microcircuits are finding broad applications rather than a few highly specialized ones.

Like other observers, Hill sees no end or peak to technical development. With over 40 companies active in the field, enough new ideas become successful each month to keep the industry in ferment.
Commented D. A. Jenny, Hughes Semiconductor division manager: "I share . . . the opinion that by 1970 the market will be split $50-50$ between microcircuits and discretecomponent circuits."

Growth vs. Competition-Some expect high costs and competition soon to force the microcircuit business to amalgamate like the tube business did. Others see breathing room as long as the custom business remains large and the technology retains its bandwagon nature.
The key question appears to be capacity, and overcapacity. Some facilities could match now in mass production the estimated 500,000 microcircuits made in 1963. Norden division of United Aircraft, for one, says its new pilot line can make 50,000 circuits a month. At the show, Norden will be pushing its ability to deliver complex single-chip circuits like a 100 -component 6 -watt amplifier (booth 2130). Bendix Semiconductor, another company that was selling microcircuits internally, will
introduce its "mosaic" line of metaloxide active integrated circuits (booth 2222).

But big military programs can gobble up enormous quantities. At the end of 1963, for example, Minuteman's schedule called for over 4,000 circuits a week from Texas Instruments, Westinghouse and RCA. TI expanded capacity 10 times during 1963, and was supplying more than 100 programs.

There is, says a Motorola spokesman, overcapacity now in conventional semiconductor devices, but not in advanced devices and integrated circuits. Whether overcapacity comes to integrated circuits depends on how fast equipment manufacturers adopt them, and upon the degree of standardization. R. J. Hanschen, marketing manager for TI's Semiconductor Components division makes a similar point, that the semiconductor components industry will follow the historical pattern of undercapacity for new devices and a tendency for overcapacity in production of mature devices.

Sylvania, which is tooling up for volume output, sees no oversupply as yet. But Sylvania people suspect that by June or July the industry will start feeling the squeeze of more production than sales. One large manufacturer says he is already producing more than he can sell, but feels this is temporary.

Computer Question - Microelectronics business is still mostly military. Producers are anxiously looking to commercial computer makers for a decision to use integrated circuits on a large scale.

Computermen have pointed out that integrated circuits are still too slow for high-speed computers. They face tough sledding unless cost is well below discrete components or hybrid thin-film circuits.

Among the cost predictions made by manufacturers: Fairchild's threeinput gate could be sold now for $\$ 3$ to $\$ 4$ in quantities of 50,000 ; within the next few years, logic elements can cost less than $\$ 1$; ultimately, integrated circuit cost should compare to present-day medium-speed transistors.

Price Cutting?-Manufacturers expect prices to drop on circuits that achieve standardization and high yield. But what they don't want is
"another 2N404 situation"-the underpricing that hurt the transistor business.

But the general feeling is that microcircuits don't yet face transistortype competition. In a fast-moving field, it's risky to try for the jackpot by tooling up to produce standard circuits automatically.

A Sylvania man, however, sees a steadily developing price pressure from military equipment manufacturers. "We have been selling only premium circuits," he says, "but now behind the scenes we're preparing lower-priced ones. So is everybody else."

Others expect demand to continue taxing manufacturing capability. One producer thinks microcircuits won't settle down to an established business routine for a year or two.

Discrete Semiconductors-Semiconductor device manufacturers at the Show will be selling capability, too. As E. J. Diebold, engineering v-p at International Rectifier and chairman of IEEE session 36 on semiconductor devices, puts it:
"The marketplace is forcing companies to grow up. They have to take a hard look at what they're making. They want to compete but this is not a matter of just cutting prices. Companies must make better devices to fill gaps and fulfill needs."

For instance, helping the push for higher power are these semiconductor devices:

- Silicon Transistor's STC-2500 series of $100-\mathrm{amp}$ silicon transistors that can dissipate more than 300 watts (booth 1328).
- Clevite Semiconductor's 4TP001 four-layer diode. It's a $500-$ amp, 500 -volt switching device (booth 2616).
- Hoffman Electronics' silicon rectifiers that can switch up to 10 amp in 80 -nsec. (booth 1227).
- Westinghouse Electric's integral heat sink SCR rated at 400 amp up to 800 volts (booth 1402).
- Transitron Electronics' highpower Biswitch, a five-layer device for a-c phase control that can handle up to 4.8 kw . Company sees a swiftly developing market in consumer appliances and industrial applications (booth 1811).

RCA will show its TA 2301 developmental silicon power transistor with collector-to-base and collector-to-emitter voltage rating of $300-\mathrm{v}$
peak. It can go in class-A a-f amplifiers in line-operated, low-cost entertainment equipment (booth 1602).

FET'S-Crystalonics will feature a field-effect transistor (FET) with leakage currents down to 0.1 nanoamp. The firm claims it is swamped with orders for this epitaxial switching device (booth 2112).

Crystalonics sees demand for FET's in general peaking by the end of 1964. "Now, and for the next six months, overcapacity situation continues. Engineers are afraid to design them in, don't know enough about them. Also, prices are much too high. Applications would open wide if they could sell for $\$ 5$ to $\$ 10$. In sonobuoys, for example, FET's could be used in quantities of 100 ,000 or more. Preamplifiers would be a big market, if volume sales could get prices down. We think this will be the year."

TRW Electronics expects to introduce its insulated-gate FET. They have obtained approximately 20 db of power gain at 105 Mc in a com-mon-source neutralized amplifier. Device is considered ideal for frontend amplifiers. Noise figure is less than 3 db at 105 Mc (booth 2122).

This type of device is arousing considerable industry interest. One reason is its potentially low manufacturing cost.

## Micro Transceiver



RESEARCH MODEL of a $120-\mathrm{Mc}$, a-m transmitter-receiver was built by Motorola for Air Force to demonstrate use of integrated circuits in vhf equipment. With case closed, it looks like regular transistor radio

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# Synchronous Satellite OK Sought 

washington - The Communications Satellite Corp. has requested FCC permission to operate an "Early Bird" synchronous satellite over the Atlantic in early 1965. The 240 -channel satellite would provide interim communications to Europe while Comsat is perfecting its basic worldwide communications system that is expected to be in operation by 1967 , with 1,200 channels by 1972 .

Designed to last at least one year, Comsat is hopeful that the Early Bird may stay in service up to three years. Cost of putting the satellite into operation should run below \$15 million. Comsat will spend close to \$8 million for two satellites, plus material for a third. They will be furnished by Hughes Aircraft Co., developer of the Syncom synchronous satellites for NASA.

If all goes well, Comsat hopes its first satellite will not only provide experimental data but also turn a nice profit. AT\&T has already indicated it is ready to lease 100 satellite communications circuits as soon as they are available for commercial use. European countries have also expressed interest in using the initial satellite service.

This will be the first synchronous satellite designed for commercial quality tv. It will have two $25-\mathrm{Mc}$ channels. Proposed band center frequencies for use between Europe and North America are: Europe, transmit at $6,301.02$ or 6330.67 Mc ; receive at $4,160.75$ or $4,170 \mathrm{Mc}$; North America, transmit at 6,389.97 or $6,404.79 \mathrm{Mc}$; receive at $4,081.00$ or $4,100 \mathrm{Mc}$. Proposed radiated power is four watts. Radiation-resistent solar cells will generate 45 watts. Bandwidth and power are considerably greater than Syncom II.

Meanwhile, FCC set March 23 as the deadline for communications common carriers to file applications for the first stock issued. The Commission wants all communications common carriers, including some 3,000 telephone companies, to submit applications. Since December, 1962, 149 applications have been filed.

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MASER OPTICS, inc., has delivered a laser rifle to Frankford Arsenal, Philadelphia. The rifle contains a standard pulsedruby laser head, plus an optical system, connected to a rifle butt. Maser Optics would not disclose Army's plans for the weapon, but it will probably be used-at least at this stage-for research and development.

At present output levels, the most damage the weapon could do would be to blind someone on the opposing forces-tankman, for example-and give you time to direct your fire before his could get into action. Or you could blind the artillery fire director, or an opposing rifleman. But at the present power level, you would have to get pretty close to him. And, if you can do that, you might just as well hit him over the head with a club.

The device is portable, plugging into a power pack, a battery power supply that can be carried on the back. Major advantage of the rifle is its portability which, at present, limits its power.

Maser Optics says that tests indicate a capability of continuous operation at rates in excess of one pulse every second. Current pulsing capability is once every 10 seconds. Output was given by the company as 2 to 5 joules.

## A-11 Jet Plane-Tests, Not Production Now

the A-11 military jet will lead ultimately to a new generation of military and commercial aircraft. But right now, despite tests of its capabilities as an advanced interceptor, the plane probably will not be ordered into production. Instead, it will be widely used as a flying test bed for advanced missile and firecontrol systems, and for new electronic and photographic reconnaissance equipment. And it will prove a valuable research tool in the U.S. effort to develop a supersonic transport (SST) airliner.

The A-11 breakthrough in titanium metallurgy implies the U.S. leads the world in this important high-temperature technology and is closer than previously suspected to development of the SST. Operating the A-11 will also produce consider
able technical information in subsystems and engine development, aerodynamics, and operating techniques. Although its avionics are secret, the U.S. obviously can build electronic gear to survive the heat generated by mach-3 flight.

A-11 was designed primarily to carry a heavy load of electronic and photographic spy equipment and is probably equipped with an astroinertial guidance system for longrange navigation.

## Rumor—and Facts—Put Fairchild in Computer Market

RUMOR is rampant this week that Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp., by way of its two Palo Alto affiliates, Fairchild Semiconductor and Fairchild Space and Defense Systems, may be entering the com-
puter market. The rumor was reinforced at the Solid State Circuits Conference last month when Fairchild's R. Rice, ex-IBM, delivered a paper describing a procedure for implementing a shift register, mentioned in the talk as "part of a large complex system." Rice is reportedly one of a small, but high-powered, group of computer design engineers at Fairchild.

Fairchild's Space and Defense Systems Div. is known already to be building a few computers. One is a navigational system presumably connected with Sperry's Loran-C system, for which Fairchild Semiconductor has just announced receipt of a near- $\$ 1$ million contract for epitaxial flat-packaged micrologic elements.

Another rumor at the conference had Fairchild Space and Defense Systems working on a desk-type computer, intended to be programmed directly in English. Company is using Fairchild Semiconductor integrated circuits but reportedly is authorized to use any other competitor's products. Computer would be used by working engineers, many of whom are reluctant to wait their
turn at a central computer, or to go through programmers before they can get computer time at central EDP facilities.

## Is Hughes Dynamics

 Also Going Computer?HUGHES Dynamics is doing just about everything in the computer business except selling commercial computers. The company recently acquired Consumer Credit Clearance (CCC), a credit reporting service said to be the nation's largest in unit volume, in order to develop capability in applying computer techniques to business management. Hughes insists that its only business -now and for the foreseeable fu-ture-is software, but says that they will manufacture peripheral hardware (input/output devices, for example), when necessary.

Hughes Dynamics aims to be a business system company doing over-all business problems-solving on a regular basis for smaller companies. It will not develop a program for a large company on a one-time

# MEETINGS AHEAD 

numerical control society meeting, NCS; Hotel Commodore, New York, N. Y., March 19-20.

IEEB INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, IEEE; Coliseum and New York Hilton Hotel, New York, N. Y., March 23-26.
radio techntcal commission for marine services meeting, rtcms; Boston, Mass., March 31-April 2.
joint computer conference, British Computer Society, IRE, IEE; Edinburgh, Scotland, March 31-April 3.
symposium on engineering aspects of MAGNETOHYDRODYNAMICS, IEEE, MIT; Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass., April 1-2.
nab annual convention, National Association of Broadcasters; Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, April 5-8.
nonlinear magnetics international conference, ieee; Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C., April 6-8.

Cleveland elbctronics conference, IEEE, ISA, Cleveland Physics Society, Western Reserve University, Case Institute of Technology; Public Hall, Cleveland, Ohio, April 7-9.

MEASUREMENT AND CONTROL INSTRUMENtation symposium, isa; Hotel Floridian, Tampa, Fla., April 8-10.
smpte technical conference, Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers; Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, April 12-17.

MCROELECTRONICS SYMPOSIUM, IEEE: Chase Park Plaza Hotel, St. Lowis, Mo., April 13-15.

FLIGHT TEST instrumentation international symposium, College of Aeronautics, Cranfield, Bedfordshire, England, April 13-16.
aerospace electro-technology, international conference and exhibit, free, aes, sae, asme, asm, asvace; Westward Ho Hotel, Phoenix, Ariz., April 19-25.

## ADVANCE REPORT

CONSUMER ELECTRONICS Techntcal Session at the National Electronios Conference, Oct. 19-21, MoCormick Place, Chicago, Ill.; INEE PTG's on Audio, Broadoast and Television Reoeivers, and Electron Devices. March 50 is deadline for submitting abstracts to James F. Novak, 6601 S. Laramie Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60638.
basis unless there is some proprietary information to be gained.

Since its organization 18 months ago by the Hughes Tool Co., Hughes Dynamics has acquired three computer service companies in addition to CCC: Tellertron of Boston, Advanced Information, Systems, and Automated System International of Detroit. In addition, Hughes Dynamics has a ten-year option to acquire control of Dashew Business Machines of Los Angeles.

## Navy Will Update Message Handling

CAPE (Communication Automated Processing Equipment) is the study contract awarded ITT-Federal Laboratories for automating communications message handling, aboard Navy ships. Company spokesmen can say only that the study will include the use of computer simulation programs to assist in evolving the best configurations for the future system.

Navy spokesmen say the project has "the greatest possible breadth of scope." They indicate that a whole family of systems will be considered, including all existing naval communications techniques - both ship-to-ship and ship-to-shore. Industry observers believe that broadband systems with data handling will be included.

## NSF Lures Women

## With $\$ 24,950$

WOMEN ENGINEERS and scientists are being sought for the profession by the National Science Foundation, which has allotted $\$ 24,950$ for the first international conference on women engineers and scientists to be held in New York in June. Dr. Dorothy Simon, vice president of Avco Corp., will be chairman of a committee that will administer \$8,320 in overseas travel and aid grants for women attending the conference. The government hopes to develop the largely untapped pool of female talent in science and engineering.

## Common Market, Common Patent

brussels-The six member governments of the European Economic Community now have in their hands a report-already adopted by subcabinet representatives of the sixthat points the way to a European patent and a possible change in U.S.-European patent relations.

The report pins down the fundamental problems that the governments must solve before the final text of a draft convention can be hammered out. Some of the prob-lems-mostly political-to be wrangled out at ministers meetings are:

- Scope-Should the European patent be limited to EEC countries or opened up to others?
- Rights of third country nation-als-Should anyone be eligible to file for a European patent or should applications be limited to nationals of contracting states?
- Compulsory licensing-Should mandatory licensing be left up to the individual governments? The majority of the six want a clause that would make licensing mandatory for anyone who hadn't exploited his European-patented invention within
three years.
- Administration-Where should the patent office be located? What sort of authority should control it? What international court should judge validity disputes? (The six are agreed that infringement suits should be handled by national courts.)

As for the patent itself, the experts, in their draft convention, combined the best features of the two patent systems now in use in the EEC-the "examination" and the "registration" systems.

In the draft convention's two-step process, an inventor would first get a provisional patent, essentially a "registration" backed up by a summary "newness" search. The provisional patent would lapse after five years. To turn the five-year patent into a full-fledged twenty-year patent would require a full-fledged examination. The deferred examinations are expected to prevent the enormous backlog that swamps U.S., German, and British patent offices. Besides, experts' studies revealed that 60 percent of patents become worthless after six years.

## Satellites To Probe Ionosphere, Test Laser

NEXT WEEK, two more satellite launches are planned. One will be the Topside Sounder, whose mission is to help improve world-wide communications by collecting data on the ionosphere. The other will make the long-postponed test of a laser for space tracking.

The 97-lb Ionosphere Explorèr satellite (S-48) is part of a joint program by Canada, Great Britain and the U.S.

Density and thickness of the ionospheric layer will be determined by transmitting radar pulses at 1.5 to 7.2 Mc into the ionosphere, and measuring the round-trip transit time. Data will be transmitted to ground on a 136 to $137-\mathrm{Mc}$ carrier.

The laser will be tested by NASA's S-66 Polar Ionosphere Beacon Satellite. The satellite will have a reflector array at its base to catch a ruby-
laser beam. Signals reflected back to ground will be amplified by a photomultiplier tube. Round-trip time will give distance of the satellite.

## Systems Will Process

## Raw Radar Data

FIRST of four radar video data processors built for the FAA by Burroughs were to be shipped to the National Avionics Facility Experimental Center (NAFEC) today. The equipment is used to convert raw radar and beacon video into digital "words" that can be transmitted over telephone lines. The microwave relay links now used to transmit the raw rata typically cost $\$ 360,000$ for a long-range radar 90 miles from a control center. The data-processors fit into the FAA's plan to automate air-traffic control routine. They can be used to feed whatever computer the FAA picks.

## IN BRIEF

COMPUTER with multiple typewriter outputs, each batting out a "personal" letter, Is being tested in Washington for a "high public figure" who likes to have correspondence answered promptly - and with a personal look-even when the volume is in the thousands.

ZENITH President Joe Wright announced last week that the company will sell tv sets using rectangular 25-inch color tubes during the latter half of 1964 for $\$ 75$ to $\$ 100$ extra. Zenith hopes to sell 300,000 color sets in 1964 -or 30 percent of the expected 1 to 1.2-million market.

JAPAN Broadcasting Corp. Is developing a bandwidth-compression method to permit satellite transmission of television of commercial quality in 1.5 Mc.

SYLVANIA has doubled its production of color-tv picture tubes since the first of the year.

WASHINGTON University, St. Louis, wifl be the new site for the computer technology center in the biomedical sciences, recently phased out at MIT (p 17, Feb. 21, 1964).

COMPONENTS for what is said to be a practical optical radar are being tested at Sperry Rand's ElectroOptics Group. The three-laser, opti-cal-heterodyne system operates at a 1.06 -micron wavelength and combines power, narrow bandwidth, phase stability and narrow beam angle. Sperry engineers say this combination will give laser radars greater range and sens!tivity than existing optical systems.

PALO ALTO-Granger Associates will install the first operational ionosphere sounders under two contracts - totalling $\$ 1.5$ million from Air Force Communications Service. Previous work on ionosphere sounders has consisted of research and feasibility studies using experimental transmissions. Granger will engineer, furnish and install sounders, antennas and display devices at Air Force locations in Pacific and Atlantic operatlonal zones. Work should be finished by the first of May.

FIRST National Cash system to link reservation-recording machines directly to a computer is now in use by Pacific Southwest Airlines. An NCR 315 computer handles inquiries.

## WASHINGTON THIS WEEK

Project Definitions Will Precede All Big DOD Contracts

Hoffa's Conviction<br>May End Teamsters'<br>Electronics Drive

## Tax Men Tightening Rules Affecting

 Engineering Firms
## Congress Shakes Up Cooperative Weapons Program

The Defense Department is taking two steps to clarify and simplify contracting procedure:

- After a two-year test, it will incorporate a "project definition" phase in planning for major projects with development costs over $\$ 25$ million, or expected production costs of $\$ 100$ million or more.
- On April 20, the Pentagon will begin a pilot test of Project 60, to determine the feasibility of consolidating Army, Navy, Air Force and Defense Supply Agency offices which administer contracts. The test will be conducted in the Philadelphia region.

The "project definition" phase is a period of time set aside for precise planning of engineering, management, schedules and cost factors before commitment to a full-scale development program. A McNamara brainchild, the new phase is aimed at lessening chances of a project being cancelled once it is begun, by establishing firm, realistic specs, schedules and costs. It is also hoped that with high precision at an earlier stage, the trend toward fixedprice contracts, and away from cost-plus contracts, will be speeded.

Labor organizing will see wholesale changes if James R. Hoffa is ousted as head of the Teamsters Union. Hoffa's departure is being freely predicted in the wake of his conviction in Chattanooga last week on charges of jury tampering.

Many Teamster leaders badly want their union taken back into the AFLCIO fold, but AFL-CIO says no, so long as Hoffa is chief. The Teamsters Union was expelled from the AFL-CIO in 1957. The Teamsters would have to quit raids on other AFL-CIO affiliates in the communications field, and membership drives in electronics would end. Where Teamsters have tried to move into nonunion territory, they would be likely to turn the activity over to a union with a greater claim to jurisdiction, such as the Communications Workers.

Internal Revenue Service is expected, within a matter of weeks, to set final rules restricting or prohibiting the use of corporate organization for federal tax purposes by engineers, and other professionals. Engineering firms organized as corporations, rather than partnerships, would thus lose some of the important tax advantages they now enjoy, particularly in the building of pension funds.

In IRS hearings last week on the proposed regulation, architects and engineers both opposed the new criteria that IRS suggests. Although IRS may make some amendments, it is expected to tighten up its regulations along much the same lines as it has proposed.

Several projects for the cooperative development or use of weapons by the U.S. and its allies are in trouble:

- Congress has cut the appropriation for R\&D on the Mobile Medium Range Ballistic Missile (which the U.S. is developing principally for use by NATO members) from $\$ 110$ to $\$ 40$ million. Congress specifies that spending of the remaining money be concentrated on development of stellar-inertial guidance.
- The House Armed Services Committee is pressuring the Defense Department to reexamine whether the U.S. should continue to participate with Britain and West Germany in development of a vertical takeoff and landing aircraft. The committee questions why this investment should be made when a number of promising aircraft of this type are being developed in the U.S.
- And the Army has stopped procurement of the Canadian-built Caribou I logistics aircraft. Whether the follow-on Caribou II, soon to undergo tests, will be bought is undecided.



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ST. PAUL, MINN. - Univac reported last week that it has delivered to Navy a computer that has eight times the speed and four times the memory capacity of its conventionally fabricated predecessor of the same size.

Size was reduced by adopting a hybrid form of microelectronics, combining integrated-circuit and discrete components in transistor cans that are mounted on interchangeable printed-circut cards. Packed inside a Motorola type TO-

5 10-pin transistor can, for example, are two inverters with matched transistors, integrated diodes and silicon resistors.

The design, which also includes a ferrite-core memory and two thinfilm memories, resulted from a contract to develop high-density hybrid microcircuitry, awarded Univac by Navy Bureau of Ships. Another of the computers will be delivered to Navy in June.

The computer, designated the CP-667, is a successor to the CP642A, which Navy now uses aboard ships. Completely compatible operation enables direct use of many operational programs already written by the Navy and other users for the CP-642A and B. Anticipated reliability of the new computer is
over 1,000 hours between failures.
During a final 30 -hour endurance test, the computer performed 54 billion instructions at the rate of 30 million a minute. It was designed to handle both scientific problems and real-time problems. Univac says that because of its capacity and speed, it will be ideal for real-time control applications.

Univac claims the new computer can match the speed and memory of any of the big commercial computers presently available.

Size and Speed-The CP-667 measures about 3 feet square by 6 feet high. Volume is 60 cubic feet. This includes the memories, input-output circuits and blower-cooling system. The cabinet is the type with button-

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NEW YORK-SCM Corp. has stepped into the very-low-priced computer field with a secretary-sized computer that sells for about $\$ 8,000$ less than its nearest competitor. With the program on tape, any girl can operate it with a little training, the company says.

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The complete computer, called the Typetronic 7816, will be sold in six models costing $\$ 11,900$ to $\$ 14$,500. It has transistor plug-in modules and a one-track magnetic disk. It adds, subtracts and transfers data in 8 to 18 milliseconds, and multiplies in 700 to $1,500 \mathrm{msec}$. There are nine registers, seven of them accumulators. Word length is usually 10 digits, but working registers can range up to 22 digits.

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#### Abstract

This year's IEEE Convention will encompass 320 technical papers of varying degrees of merit and of specialization. Here is a rundown of papers that seem to point out emerging directions for our industry and a list of half a hundred noteworthy presentations


THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH-the Ringling Brothers-Barnum and Bailey Circushas three rings, plus assorted clowns and tightrope walkers-as well as a menagerie of 130 foreign and domestic animals.

This month the electronics industry will have an even bigger circus of its own. The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Second International Convention has eight simultaneous technical sessions, assorted committee meetings, and a trade show of 1,000 exhibitors.

An engineer attending the convention has a colossal task deciding which of the 320 technical papers in 64 sessions to hear, which exhibits to visit and how to participate in some of the professional activities of the four-day meeting. From this maze of frenetic offerings, technical session organizers believe about fifty papers promise to be really significant (see panel). They range from esoteric developments in advanced technology to mundane but interesting new trends in entertainment.

Advanced Technology-Recent developments in microwave technology have renewed interest in transmitting substantial quantities of electric power efficiently without wires. A continuouswave Amplitron tube has generated 400 kilowatts with 70 percent efficiency. Power-transfer systems consisting of transmitting and receiving waveguides and antennas have operated with efficiencies slightly over 50 percent at both 8 mm and $10-\mathrm{cm}$ wavelengths. The $10-\mathrm{cm}$ system worked over a distance of 25 feet. And a close-spaced thermionic diode has provided 500 watts of d-c output at 200 volts with 50 -percent efficiency. An experimental microwave power-transmission system has operated over a distance of 25 feet with 25-percent overall efficiency. It used a c-w magnetron operating at $2,450 \mathrm{Mc}$, a 9.5 ft diameter ellipsoidal transmitting antenna and a horn-type receiving an-


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tenna with a $19-\mathrm{in}$. aperture. (See paper No. 13.2.)

A super-energy accelerator far exceeding the capabilities of the 33-billion-electronvolt accelerator at Brookhaven National Laboratory will be discussed. The new machine could deliver either 200 or 1,000 billion electronvolts depending upon whether its sponsors want to pay half a billion dollars or go for broke with a cool billion. The chamber of the new machine would be five to ten times as long as the halfmile track of the Brookhaven machine. It would take seven to eight years to build. The giant machine would push to new limits the technology of high-power switching, controls and computers, multi-megawatt power sources, advanced power tubes and $20-\mathrm{Mc}$ r-f and harmonic generators. (See paper No. 22.5).

Session No. 55 on Human Factors deals with


64 SESSIONS TO HEAR


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"quickening". This is a relatively new technique in human engineering which allows the human operator of a system to see the effect of a control action he might take before he takes it. One paper, 55.1 , will show the application of quickening to a remotely controlled lunar surface vehicle and will have wide relevance to space exploration generally. Paper 55.4 will discuss the technique as used in the control of a tandem-propeller submarine. This new type of undersea craft has raised several knotty control problems. Its operation is described as "trying to fly a helicopter by instruments when blindfolded". Another paper, 55.3, will take a broad-front approach to man-machine sys-
tems design and in this paper the quickening techniques will play a relatively minor role.

Military Electronics-Microwave doppler radars, like those used by police departments to clock speeding vehicles, suffer from one serious limitation. This limitation is resolution of targets. If two vehicles are intercepted by the beam at one time, the radar set shows both of their velocities and also their sum and difference velocities.

Optical doppler radar has a much finer spatial resolving power and does not suffer from this limitation. However, conventional optical doppler radar requires a very wide bandwidth to

## PAPERS TO HEAR AT THE CONVENTION

SPACE
19.1 Experimental Investigation of Simulated Space Particulate Radiation Effects on Microelectronics, Emanuel Rind, F.R. Bryant NASA Langley Res. Center, Langley Sta. Hampton, Va.
19.4 Óptimization of Malfunction Sensing \& Decision Systems for Space Vehicles, E.S. Joline, R.L. Smith, Information \& Communications div., Sperry Gyroscope Co., Div Sperry Rand Corp., Great Neck, N.Y.
20.2 Effects of Rain on Transmission Per formance of a Satellite Communications System, D. Gibble, Bell Tel Labs, Murray Hill Nem,
20.3 Coded Division Multiplex System, A.B. Glenn, Defense Electronic Products, Sysems Engineering, Evaluation \& Res. Bldg. 127-310, RCA, Moorestown, N.J.
33.1 The design of Signals for Space Communications \& Tracking, E.J. Baghdady, K.W. Kruse, ADCOM Inc., BOB Memorial Dr., Cambridge, 39, Mass.
33.2 Design of an instrumentation System for a Large Booster, V.V. Patton, R.W. Sjostrom, Wm. E. Smull, Mait A-172,' Martin Co., Denver 1, Colo.
33.4 Telemetry Encoder for International Satellite $S$-52/UK-2, J.W. Adolphsen, A.B. Malinowski, NASA, Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Md.

## COMPUTERS

3.1 Tunnel Diode Mermory, M.M. Kaufman L. Dillon, G. Ammon, Electronic Data Processing Div., RCA, Camden 2, N.J.
3.3 High Speed Threshold Logic A/D Converter with Error Correction, D.S. Schover Mark Stein, Hallicrafters Co., 4401 W . 5 th Ave., Chicago, III.
$1 i .2$ Design of a Digital Waveform Identifier, E.J. Farrell, R.R. Lachenmayer, G.F. Marette, UNIVAC, Div. of Sperry Rand Corp., Univac Park, St, Paul, Minn.
21.4 Communications Swtiching and Telephone Charging of a Hotel Accounting System, J.C. Sieglinger, N.Y. Telephone Co., 140 West St., N.Y. 7, N.Y
21.5 Data Processing Features of a Hote! Accounting System, W. Wilson, IBM Eastern Region Hgrs., 425 Park Avenue, N.Y.
60.2 The Timing Problem in Digital Com-nunication-A Surver, B.K. Kinariwala, Bell
Telephone Labs., Murray Hill, N.J.

## CONSUMER

47.4 Proposed Articulation Rating for Loudspeakers, H.E. Allen, Jensen MF
601 S. Laramie Ave., Chicago, III.
51.1 The RCA Victor "Dynagroove" Sys 512 An X-Fiold MicroGap Head for Hioh 5i. 2 An X-rield Micro-Gap Head for High IIT Res. Inst., Technology Center, 10 W. 35th St., Chicago i6, III.

## INDUSTRIAL

2.1 Diesel-Electric Machinery Installation with Centralized Control for Oceanographic Survey Ship, D.W. Drews, Westinghouse Elec tric Corp., East Pittsburgh, Pa
2.2 A Marine standard for Intrinsic Safety, M. Dorsey, U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Marine Technical
5.4, Design of Video Security Systems for Pay-Tv, Ira Kamen, Teleglobe Pay-Tv System, nc., 400 Madison Ave., New York 17, N.Y nc., 10.1 Power Distribution Systems for High Speed Computers, J.W. Martin, Simpson Elec-
tric Co., 5200 W. Kinzie Sf., Chicago, 111. 25.1 The Precision VOR System, A.B. Winick, Bureau of R\&D, FAA, Washington , Div., Cutler-Hammer, Deer Park L.I., N.Y.

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6.2 The Design of Linear Thermistor Networks, M. Sapoff, R.M. Oppenheim, Victory Engineering Corp., 128 Springfield Ave., Springfield, N.J.
6.3 Bendix Star Tracker Photomultiplier Tube, D. Ceckowski, Res. Labs Div., Bendix Corp., Southfield, Mich.; W. Polye, Eclipse Pioneer Div., Bendix Corp., Teterboro, N.J.; W. Wilcock, Instrument Technology Section, Dept. of Physics, Imperial College, London England.
42.1 The Compensated Current Comparator; A New Reference Standard for Current Trans former Calibrations in Industry, N.L. Kusters, W.J.M. Moore, Radio and Electrical Engineering Div., National Research Council of Canada, Ottawa, Canada
42.2 Calibration of a Kelvin-Varley Voltage Divider, A.F. Dunn, National Research Council, Div. of Applied Physics, Ottawa 2,
Ontario, Canada
42.4 The Application of Electronics to Instruments for Standards and Calibration Peter Richman, Rotek Instrument Corp., 11 Galen St., Watertown 72, Mass.

## ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY

7.1 Automatic Analog Solution of Algebraic Equations and Plotting of Root Loci b Generalized Mitrovic's Method, P. Kokotovic System Analysis Div., Inst., "Milhailo Pupin", Be!grade, Yugoslavia and D.D. Siliak, Univ. of Belgrade, Belgrade, Yugoslavia
13.2 Experiments in the Transportation of Energy by Microwave Beam, W.C. Brown, Raytheon Co., Spencer Lab., Burlington, Mass.
22.5 Super Energy Accelerators, Lloyd Smith, Univ. of California, Lawrence Radia ion Lab., Berkeley, Calif.
23.1 Information Theoretic Aspects of Feedback Control Systems, J.L. Barnes, Univ. of California, Los Angeles, Calif.
30. 1 A Computer-Simulated Learning Conrol System, M.D. Waliz, K.S. Fu, Contro \& Info. Systems Lab., School of EE, Purdue 55 , Layaye,
55.3 Analytical Methods in the Study of Man-Machine Systems, Miss B.L. Perry, H.P Birmingham, U. S. Naval Res. Lab, Washing on , D.
55.4 Peripheral Augmentation of Range Perception in Pictorial Displays, H. G. Sperl ing, R.C. McLane, D.A. Anderson
56.3 Electric Field Suspension of Inertial Masses, R.C. Staats, Precision Inertial Components, Minneapolis-Honeywell, Minneapolis, Minn.
56.5 Generation of Millimeter Waves by Means of the Doppler Effect, C.C.T. Wang, M.D. Birkis, Ultramicrowave Group, Dept. of EE, Univ, of tllinois, Urbana, 111.
64.4 Ultrasonic Convective Cooling, J.E. McCormick, T.W. Walsh, Rome Air Development Center Griffis AFB, Rome, N.Y.

## MILITARY

63.2 New Klystrons for Modern Multimegawatt Radars, A. Jorge, L. Singer, Sperry Gyroscope Co., Div. Sperry Rand Corp., Grea Gyroscope
63.4 A High Resolution, Microwave Modulated Optical Doppler Radar, R.B. Hankin, Halicrafters Co., Res. \& Dev. div., 4401 W.
5th Ave, Illinois Inst of Technology, 3300 Federal St., Chicago, III.

## SOLID STATE

31.2 A General-Purpose Ceramic-Base ThinFilm Microcircuit Amplifier, Manfred Kahn, Sprague Electric Co., Engineering Labs., North Adams, Mass.
31.4 A Universal Logic Function Wafer, E.F. Uber, A.J. Domenico, Electronic Sciences Lab., Lockheed Missiles \& Space Co., Palo Alto, Calif.
36.4 The TRIAC Gate Controlled Silicon AC Power Switch, E.K. Howell, Rectifier Components Dept., GE Co., Auburn, N.Y.

## COMMUNICATIONS

1.2 192-Channel Time Division Multiplex PCM Communication System by Pulse Distribution Transmission, Hiroki Yoshine, Central Res. Lab., Hitachi, Ltd., Kokubunii-machi,
Kitatama-gun, Tokyo, Japan
4.4 Error-Correcting Data Transmission System with Block-by-Block Synchronous Operation Over Telephone Channels, F. Schreiber, E. Lukas, P. Bocker, Siemens \& Halske AG, Munich, Germany
28.6 A Low-Speed Magnefic Memory Device, Weichien Chow, ITT Kellogg, Telecommunications div., 6650 S. Cicero Ave., Chicago 38, 111 .
35.1 Communication Operations with Syncom II, T.R. Gleason, W.T. Tobias, R.G. Keyes, Test Operations Dept., U.S. Army Satellite Communications Agency, Ft. Monmouth, N.J.
35.4 Some Preliminary Results of Muitiple Access Experiments with Syncom and Telstar II, V.G. Robatino, US etc (same as above) 35.5 Results of Syncom Communications Experiments, George Silverman, J.W. Lockett, J.C. Cittadino, (same as above
39.1 An introduction to Random-Access, Discrete-Address Systems, C.H. Dawson, Stanford Propagation Me., Calif.
39.2 Propagation Measurements for a Frequency Time Coded Pulse Communications System, Lomax, W. Bedsole, Martin Co riando, Fla.
41.6 Experimental Belt as a CommunicaW. B Medium, I.L. Lebow, P,R. Droulhet, Jr. W.B. Smith, Ferenc Nagy, Jr., Lincoln Lab. 45.3 Design of the Conical Log-Spiral Antennas J.D. Dyson, Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, III.
50.2 Air to Undersea Communication with Magnetic Dipoles, S.H. Durrani, Communication Prods Depf. GE Co., Mountain View Rd. Lynchburg, Va.
54.3 A Beam Waveguide Using Reflectors as Phase Correctors, J.E. Dengenford, M.D Sirkis, Uliramicrowave Group, Elec. Éngrg. Res. Lab., Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, III and W.H. Steir, Bell Tel Labs, Holmdel, N.J. 54.4 Phase Characteristics of Spiral Antennas for Interferometer Applications, M.S Wheeler, Air Arm Div., Westinghouse Elec tric Corp., Baltimore, Ma.
62.2 Linear Array Synthesis, M.T. Ma 62.3 An Equivalence Syracuse, N.Y. 62.3 An Equivalence Theory Between El Hsuan Dept of EE Univ of Illinois, Urban Hsuan, Dept of EE, Univ. of Iliinois, Urbana III.
measure any appreciable change in the vehicle's velocity and also requires almost perfect spatial coherence of the echo signal-something extremely difficult to achieve in practice. But when the optical signal is modulated by a microwave signal, the advantage of high beam resolving power is retained and there is sufficient doppler frequency shift in the microwave sidebands to determine velocity over a wide range. The optical source can be noncoherent.

Such an optical radar using microwave modulation is described in paper 63.4. The optical radar has an additional feature: it uses a dynamic crossed-field electron multiplier (DCFEM) to achieve efficient optical detection, frequency conversion and amplification of the received signal. The DCFEM is a wide-bandwidth high-gain multiplier phototube has been designed to use a microwave electric field in the multiplier section instead of the usual static electric field. When the incoming optical beam is modulated at a microwave frequency near that of the microwave electric field, the output frequency of the DCFEM is the difference between the two microwave frequencies. And, of course, if the modulation frequency is the same as the field frequency, the difference frequency is then the doppler frequency and yields the desired measure of vehicle velocity. The optical radar project is in the proposal stage and could be produced for military uses either in the air or on the ground.

Now on station as part of our Atlantic Missile Range are the Advanced Range Instrumentation Ships or ARIS. They use Sperry's Integrated Instrumentation Radar (IIR). This radar can capture target signatures at three distinct frequencies in the $\mathrm{L}, \mathrm{C}$ and X radar bands (roughly $1,000,5,000$ and $10,000 \mathrm{Mc}$ ). Designers working in the high-power microwave field can now get a close look at the multimegawatt klystrons used in the ARIS ships. Paper 63.2 describes these tubes and covers significant achievements in increased power output, energy per pulse and bandwidth; and reduction of distortion and spurious outputs.

Solid State-Main attraction for solid-state engineers will be Session 27, a Tuesday evening symposium entitled Molecular Magic. Pat Haggerty, president of Texas Instruments, will be moderator as five industry experts survey the state of the integrated-circuit art. A similar session last year drew 2,000 people. C. L. Hogan, general manager of Motorola's Semiconductor Products Division, will describe several types of circuit. Harry Knowles, manager of Westinghouse Electric's Molecular Electronics Division, will delve into the research and development aspects of microelectronics. Three panelists will probe the expected impact of microelectronics on the user: Bob Noyce, general manager of Fairchild's Semiconductor Division; L. C. Maier, general manager of GE's Semiconductor Division; and J. E. Brown, engineer-
ing vice president of Zenith Radio.
Two representative types of the thin-film hybrid microcircuits recently in the news will be featured in papers 31.1 and 31.2. The first is a ceramic-base thin-film amplifier that can perform any of ten functions depending upon the interconnection board on which it is mounted. The circuit consists electrically of three linear amplifiers affording gains of 40 , 60 and 80 decibels; two pulse amplifiers; and an oscillator and limiter. Any of the linear amplifiers can be connected as an inverter and either pulse amplifier can be a mixer. Physically the circuit consists of two $1-$ by- 0.4 -in. ceramic substrates, one of which carries encased transistors and input biasing networks while the other carries resistors, capacitors and diodes for feedback.

The second microcircuit to be described is a universal logic function wafer using titanium thin films. The thin-film circuit components have high yield and uniformity and are used with chip transistors to make up NAND/NOR logic elements.

A new discrete solid-state component, the Triac, is still in the development stage but it could become a contender for all present applications of silicon controlled rectifiers in a-c applications. The Triac is a gate-controlled silicon a-c power switch. (See paper No. 36.4.)

Communications--The old familiar name Institute of Radio Engineers is no more, but communications still remains close to the heart of IEEE activity. And the convention will provide a forum to discuss the results of several radical new communications techniques. Session 41 will hear the results of the West Ford experiment in which a belt of tiny copper dipoles was placed in orbit around the earth to provide reliable long-range microwave communications. As a result of the experiment, engineers believe that continuous global communications can be provided by two orbiting dipole belts, one placed in a polar orbit and one in an equatorial orbit. And despite strong criticism from astronomers both here and abroad before the dipoles were launched, radio astronomy telescopes suffered no interference from the metallic fuzz. One problem, however, has arisen: dispersion of the dipoles in space has caused a good deal of radio-signal scattering-enough so that the rate of sending digital information by bouncing it off the dipoles had to be reduced from 20,000 bits per second when the dipoles were packed in a single dense cloud to only 50 bits per second after the cloud had spread out into an earth-girdling belt.

Syncom, Telstar and Relay will be scrutinized during Session 35, along with other communications satellites yet unlaunched. Some of the results of satellite tests to be given may already be known to a few engineers but the preliminary results of multiple-access experiments with Syncom and Telstar II promise to


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make the session worth attending.
Session 39 will offer the nonspecialist a chance to catch up with a recent and interesting turn of the communications wheelRADAS or random-access discrete-address systems. Paper 39.2 will present some propagation measurements made on pulse communications signals that are coded in both frequency and time-a promising RADAS technique.

Other communications sessions serve up a mixed bag with many papers of interest to both specialist and nonspecialist. A 192-channel multiplex system for telephone use is to be described by a Japanese engineer who claims it will reduce equipment cost per channel by 50 percent. The system will use pulse-code modulation (paper No. 1.2). A telephone development from Germany (paper No. 4.4) provides for error correction. Information is divided into blocks for transmission. At the end of each block a feedback signal is sent telling whether the transmission is error free and whether another block should be sent or the first block repeated.

A low-speed magnetic memory device (paper No. 28.6) for inexpensive communications computers. Access times are long in the order of seconds and readout in milliseconds.

Air-to-undersea communication will become increasingly important in three-dimensional submarine-hunting operations and paper 50.2 presents a theoretical treatment of the subject. The author derives an expression for the range of satisfactory communications.

For antenna engineers, paper No. 54.4 describes spiral antennas used in the interferometer that will enable Gemini astronauts to conduct rendezvous and docking in space. Another paper, 54.3, describes a beam waveguide that uses appropriately shaped metal reflectors instead of dielectric lenses to correct phasing without introducing undue power losses.

Space-Jam-proof satellite communications is an objective of the coded division multiplex (CDM) system. The system is reputed to be ideal for secure communications-both military and civilian. Paper 20.3 analyzes the CDM system showing error probability as a function of gain, number of channels, channel capacity, output power, ratio of jamming power to desired power, and transmitted bandwidth.

Here's a problem for space-system designers: how to place unified signals for telemetry, tracking, guidance and command on a single carrier for use with communications satellites, scientific satellites or deep-space probes. Paper No. 33.1 proposes a solution and discusses trade-offs among tight tracking accuracy, restricted signal bandwidth and problems of jamming, noise cost, and reliability. Although no single unified system is ideal, optimal trade-offs can furnish the best signal characteristics for a given application.

A new telemetry system carries low-level
signals from the Titan II booster 125 ft to the launching-pad instrumentation unit. The system uses a system in which 196 low-level data channels are sampled and sent directly by $\mathrm{pcm} / \mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$ (pulse-code modulation/frequency-modulation) while 16 continuous channels are sent by $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m} /$ $\mathrm{f}-\mathrm{m}$. Previously there had to be a d-c amplifier aboard for each low-level instrumentation channel (paper No. 33.2). Another instrumentation paper (19.4) describes the READI or Rocket Engine Analyzer and Decision Instrumentation System. The system will detect malfunctions in a rocket's propulsion system and take remedial action in real time.

One paper on environmental conditions (19.1) discusses the effects of radiation on microelectronics. So far the authors have delved into the effects of $22,40,128$ and 440 Mev protons. They plan to investigate the effects of 100 to 600 Mev protons, 500 kev to 10 Mev electrons as well as x-rays, neutrons and other radiation. Another environmental paper looks at raindrops and how they affect satellite communications.

Conclusion - Communications systems must have a better margin of carrier power over noise power because rainfall does indeed reduce signal-to-noise ratio. In fact, a thin film of rain water on the outside of the big radome at Andover, Maine caused noticeable signal attenuation (paper No. 20.2).

Data Processing-Computermen are prominent once again on the IEEE program. Three engineers will give a look at the tunnel-diode memory for Project Lightning. This memory operates in the gigacycle range and will be part, presumably, of the Redman computer being built to do cryptanalysis for the Dept. of Defense (paper No. 3.1).

A new analog-to-digital converter corrects its own errors. It decomposes the analog quantity by taking the highest order digit first then the rest in order. It encodes the digits and compares their encoded values with the input analog values after passing the encoded value through a digital-to-analog coverter. The converter also uses the pre-set error technique in which a known error is introduced into the encoder so that low thresholds can be handled without having to worry about the absolute precision of the encoder (paper No. 3.3).

Sonarmen have long sought a way to distinguish among natural undersea noises, sonar returns from natural objects and the desired signals-sonar returns from man-made objects. Paper 11.2 tells how a library of known patterns stored in magnetic cores, on a drum or even on tape could be compared with sonar returns on a real-time basis.

Last June, the New York Hilton hotel installed a two-part electronic accounting system. One part only tallies the guest's telephone
charges. The second part adds these to other charges for meals, drinks, room and the like to compute the guest's daily bill (papers No. 21.4 and 21.5).

Paper 60.2 tackles the problem of timing in digital communications. In a regenerative digital system of any kind the signals must be retimed to restore the pulses to their assigned time slots. This paper discusses how timing jitter arises, how it can be controlled and how the signals can effectively be retimed.

Consumer-Soon a loudspeaker rating system may be standardized and adopted by EIA. The standards will represent a compromise between those affording the best performance in reproducing music and those affording the best performance in reproducing speech. The proposed articulation rating system for loudspeakers to be described in paper 47.4 will allow a more meaningful figure to be assigned to a loudspeaker in that its loudness will be considered within the context of its intended use.

Paper 51.2 describes an X-field micro-gap head for high-density magnetic tape recording. This development will permit recording heads even smaller than those now in use to reproduce low-frequency signals without distortion and without erasing high frequencies by use of too high a bias field.


Industrial--One active field of industrial automation concerns the control of merchant shipping. Paper 2.1 deals with the centralized control of a ship while adherence by designers to the standards proposed in paper 2.2 could open up a new field for marine automationnamely, the use of control equipment within volatile-liquid spaces aboard tankers.

Security systems for pay-television must insure that only paying subscribers receive the program being sold. The systems must also comply with certain FCC standards and with Bell System practices. Paper 5.4 will show how advanced solid-state centralized metering equipment and a novel approach to the multiplexing of encoded signals combine to provide secure and reliable operation.

In the design of today's high-speed computer systems, even power-distribution lines must be considered a part of the circuit and an approach to these design problems is given in paper 10.1. Paper 25.1 castigates the existing vhr omnirange system of air navigation for its poor accuracy and outlines what needs to be done to improve it.

Instrumentation-These sessions deal with incremental advances in the state of the art rather than any major breakthroughs. Of interest are: a current comparator possessing unusually high accuracy with construction details given (paper No. 42.1); a new easier method of calibrating the popular Kelvin-Varley bridge that agrees with theory better than the existing method (paper No. 42.2); and the ways and means of converting existing test instruments into secondary or even primary standards (paper No. 42.4).

Paper 6.2 gives some design equations useful when designing thermistors into bridge circuits while paper 6.3 discusses a multiplier phototube for use in an image dissector. The tube is smaller and more efficient than present-day tubes.

# How They Picked the Technical Program 

Critics say the IEEE technical program is too big and too dull.
Here is the way it was put together. Next year's program may be
even bigger-what lessons can we learn from this one?

TEN DAYS FROM NOW the Second International Convention of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers will open in the New York Hilton Hotel and New York Coliseum.

It will present the most comprehensive technical program ever and the biggest. But will the quality of the program match its size?

The technical sessions are an eight-ring circus


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in themselves with a trade show of over 1,000 exhibitors and innumerable peripheral events all vying for the engineer's time. How can he make the best use of his time during the show? Might it be by staying home and not attending at all?

The convention is only as good as its technical program and its technical program is only as good as the papers that make it up. Therefore, Electronics took a close, hard look at the way that these papers are selected and what engineers close to the selection process really think about it.

How Selection Works-This year the IEEE set up a brand new procedure for selecting the technical papers to be presented at its International Convention.

Responsibility is centralized in the Technical Program Committee (TPC) chaired by Professor Ferdinand Hamburger, Jr., Chairman of the Electrical Engineering Department at The Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore and Director of its Radiation Laboratory.

The TPC consists of ten members (see panel)

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each well-known and respected in the engineering community. Each TPC member was assigned one area of interest and each of the 64 technical sessions of the convention was, in turn, assigned to one of 10 areas of interest.

The TPC members had to get knowledgeable engineers and scientists to review papers and also to select session chairmen and session organizers. Each prospective author was required to designate to which field of interest his paper belonged at the same time he submitted the abstract and summary of his proposed paper for consideration by the TPC. He also had to answer the question: What is new or significant about your contribution? From these basic inputs, the TPC put together the IEEE technical program.

Was It Selective Enough? This year 62 percent of the papers submitted were acceptedabout the same percentage of acceptances as last year. But the program will be about 20 percent longer-in part, to compensate for demise of the AIEE Winter General Meeting. About 320 papers are on the program.
Too many papers? "Not at all," says Professor Hamburger. "This year we could have included twice as many papers. And there was a clamor for some 150 sessions."

Yet an overview of the rejected papers would lead one to disagree with Hamburger's observation. At least half of the papers rejected reportedly would not have been acceptable to any IEEE group or section.

According to Professor Hamburger, the IEEE made a conscious effort to upgrade technical papers and aimed for top-quality papers of a broad nature, feeling that highly specialized papers belonged to highly specialized conferences. However, the number of invited papers this year is almost insignificant and members submitting papers purely on speculation can seldom be expected to anticipate the broad, general needs of the profession at large.

Professional Integration-"The technique for selecting papers is an experiment this year," says Professor Hamburger. "It is an attempt to find a solution to the problem of how to integrate contributions from former members of the old AIEE and IRE." However, selection of papers was still, in fact, somewhat influenced by the constituent society to which the author formerly belonged.

Although the Professional Technical Groups (successors in most cases to IRE Professional Groups) had little if anything to do directly with papers selection, many papers already selected by former AIEE Technical Committees did find their way on to the program. Furthermore, the TPC was said to have been placed under some pressure to accept a number of papers in the power field so that manufacturers of power-generating and transmitting equipment on exhibit for the first time this year at the

IEEE Show might have adequate representation of their particular subject-matter on the technical program.

Inside The TPC-Even the men who selected the papers are not really sure about their quality. Gustave Shapiro of the National Bureau of Standards is the TPC member responsible for Area 8: Materials, Components and Production Processes. In mid-February he said, "An accurate assessment of papers presented at the sessions would not be meaningful. The actual paper can be different from the abstract. This is one of the curses of all sessions and no symposium is different in this regard."

Shapiro favors reducing the number of technical sessions and the number of presentations and squeezing the bad papers out. "But bad papers can get in. We ask what about the author? Does he have a good reputation? Sometimes papers can be chosen based on past performance of the author. But then too, an author who has given one good paper in the past can coast on that reputation for a long time."

Bad papers . . . even gag papers can get in as happened once at WESCON. The authors were well known. The subject sounded reasonable enough to the selection committee. The subject was one of wide application . . . carbon resistors . . . and the paper described them masterfully. But then dogs have slipped into the Social Register too.

Even good papers can be kept out by mistake. Professor Hamburger reports that this year a paper on information storage theory was rejected. The authors protested; they insisted their contribution was important and demanded an explanation of why it was rejected. After an investigation by IEEE headquarters staff, the authors were found to be correct. But the paper had been submitted to
the wrong selection committee-the computer group. The paper was immediately referred to another committee-the basic-science people dealing with information theory-and was written into the program at the last minute.

Criticism-Selection of papers by the TPC has been roundly criticized this year, especially by many session chairmen and organizers, some of whom, by mid-February, claimed they had not seen even abstracts of the papers to be presented at their sessions. See panel for verbatim comments.

There is also some feeling that the TPC cannot react as fast as was done in former years when, for example, one author called the committee only four days before the convention to say he was prepared to deliver a paper of vital importance. The chairman said that if the paper had merit it would get through. The paper was accepted and the author sat up the following nights writing it.

For years now the IEEE has chafed under criticism of its technical program. It has, in fact, been suggested that the only reason for having a technical program at all is to shield revenue from the IEEE Show from claims by the Internal Revenue Service. This year's international convention will present the longest technical program ever and will, for the first time, include contributions from both the AIEE and IRE sides of the house. The method of selecting papers has been drastically overhauled and not without an angry chorus of dissension. Nevertheless the members of the Technical Program Committee are eminently well qualified for their task. But not until next fortnight, when the last speaker shall have left the podium will we be truly able to assess the technical merit of the second IEEE International Convention.


BAD PAPERS SQUEEZED OUT


TOO MANY PAPERS

## WHAT SESSION CHAIRMEN AND ORGANIZERS THINK OF THE PROGRAM

. . The specialist must go to the specialist's meeting. Meetings like IEEE are good for survey papers of interest to nonspecialists but they should contain new material not just rehashes of what has been presented at other meetings. I would not go 2,000 miles to attend the IEEE Convention.
... I'm not enthusiastic about the bulk of the pa.
pers to be given. Even my own paper will not have wide interest. It represents an interesting solution to a problem that may never come up again.
. . . I did not pick the topics of my session so I am at a disadvantage chairing the session without having had any voice in the selection.
. . . Authors do not make the effort required to get the best into their papers. The technical sessions are not too well integrated. One paper in my session doesn't belong there; it should have been assigned to another
session. Many authors submit papers just to get a week off in New York.
...The level of papers is up. There have been more submissions and less available space hence screening is better.
... Papers are spotty and do not represent a fair cross-section of the field since they are too few. The IEEE system of paper selection is defective since the session organizer has no final authority over the papers which will be in. cluded in the session.
. . All papers look very
interesting and the caliber of the people presenting them should assure a very high quality session.
. . . The papers are not in any way significant and there aren't any that stand out over the others. The IEEE is a very poor platform for papers. The papers are generally very low caliber. The show is a trade meeting - go to the trade show and don't bother with the papers.

The whole session is interesting. All papers represent either an extension of the state of the art or are at least front-line thinking.

# METAL BASE TRANSISTOR 

## Pushes Back the Frequency Barrier


#### Abstract

A transistor made of a metal film sandwich looks promising in amplifier and oscillator designs for microwave applications. It has better frequency characteristics, up to 100 Gc , and even interesting resistance to radiation


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LIMITATIONS on high-frequency transistor performance (assuming optimum design for microwave units), include the effective transit time of minority carriers, base resistance, and collector capacitance. A useful figure of merit for a h-f transistor is the maximum frequency of oscillation, $f_{\text {max }}$. This is the frequency at which the gain drops to unity, and is given by $f_{\max } \cong$
$1 / 4 \pi\left(a_{a} / r_{b}^{\prime} C_{c} \tau_{e c}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, where $a_{o}$ is common-base current gain, $r_{b}$ is base resistance, $C_{c}$ is collector capacitance, and $\tau_{e c}$ is the effective emitter-to-collector transit time. The latter is given by $\tau_{e c}=\tau_{e}+\tau_{\mathrm{b}}+$ $\tau_{c}$, where $\tau_{e}$ is emitter charging time, given by the product of emitter capacitance and emitter resistance, $\tau_{b}$ is base transit time, and $\tau_{c}$ is the collector attenuation time. There

## SOLID-STATE FREQUENCY LIMITATIONS

While the maximum operating frequency of conventional bipolar junction transistors has been steadily increasing, the rate of improvement has steadily declined. Earliest devices were limited to a frequency in kilocycles and present transistors are capable of operation near or slightly above 1 Gc.

In grown-junction units, frequency limitations can be attributed to large junction capacitance and high base resistance. With alloyjunction techniques, junction capacitance and base resistance are reduced, but high-frequency performance is degraded due to the large phase shift associated with diffusion of the minority carriers across the relatively thick and nonplanar base region. The surfacebarrier transistor, diffusion techniques, MADT designs and finally the development of epitaxial devices, all represent frequency improvements in the state of the art. Moreover, dimension reductions of unit active regions and packaging advances also raise maximum operating frequency.

Many researchers feel that even with the latest advances, we have reached a point where further improvement of junction transistors will diminish, even with improved materials and continued size reductions.

In this article, the author describes a technique for developing new metal-base transistors that are now being designed for 10 Gc , and eventually may reach 100 Gc . This suggests that present-day microwave devices may soon encounter stiff competition
are two conflicting terms in the first equation, since if the base is made thicker to reduce base resistance $\left(r_{b}^{\prime}\right)$, transit time ( $\tau_{e c}$ ) increases. Thus, there is an optimum base thickness for best high-frequency performance.

Several proposals have been made recently for new types of transistors to overcome some of the frequency limitations of conventional $p-n$ junction bipolar devices. Moll ${ }^{1}$ recently made a comparison of proposed structures and has shown that best high-frequency performance should be attainable with a metal-base transistor using a Schottky emitter and collector. This device was first described by Geppert ${ }^{2}$, and subsequently by Atalla and Kahng ${ }^{3}$.

Metal-Base Transistor - The new device consists of a thin metal film sandwiched between two $n$-type semiconductors as shown in Fig. 2 A . It resembles a conventional $n p n$ transistor in many respects. The energy diagram for the metalbase transistor is compared with that for a conventional-npn unit in Fig. 2 B and 2 C , respectively. Both cases show zero bias voltage.

The comparison between the metal-base transistor and the conventional npn device should not, however, be carried too far, since the physics of the two differ. In the


HYBRID vapor-vacuum system used in the fabrication of the metal-base transistor
$n p n$ device, electrons are injected into the base from the emitter, and some hole injection from base to emitter also takes place. The ratio of electron to hole current is made high by doping the emitter more heavily than the base, and also by using a relatively thin base region to cause a large diffusion gradient for electrons in the base region.

In the metal-base transistor, electrons are injected from the emitter into the base, and some hole injection from base to emitter also occurs. However, in the latter case, the electron current is not diffusion limited as in the npn device, but rather obeys a thermionic-emission law. Consequently, emitter injection efficiency is independent of base thickness, and depends only upon emitter doping, barrier height, and the diffusion length for holes in the emitter region. Analysis of this situation shows that high injection
efficiencies can be achieved.
In the npn device, the electrons injected from emitter to base are minority carriers that diffuse to the collector because of a diffusion gradient in that direction. (In the drift transistor, the carriers are also assisted by the built-in electric field.) A few minority-carrier electrons recombine with holes in the body of the base region prior to reaching the collector; the number of these depends upon minoritycarrier lifetime, or diffusion length. Surface recombination also can contribute significantly to minoritycarrier loss. The mean kinetic energy of electrons injected into the base is low, since they are only slightly above the bottom of the conduction band.

In the metal-base transistor, electrons injected from the emitter into the base are very energetic. The mean kinetic energy of these hot
electrons is relatively large, being on the order of 6 to 10 electron volts. Through collisions with the lattice and other electrons, their en-


GRAPH showing the increase in tran. sistor maximum-operating frequency vs time illustrates how the rate of improvement has been decliningFig. 1

ergy is gradually decreased as they travel through the metal base. If the metal is not too thick, a large percentage arrive at the collector barrier with little or no energy loss, and fall into the collector-barrier region where they are swept into the collector-body area by the field. Electron-phonon losses are serious because they randomize the momentum of the electrons; to be collected, the hot electrons at the collector barrier must be incident almost perpendicularly.

Thus, the emitter-injection process and the base-transport mechanism are different for $n p n$ and metal-base transistors. In other respects, the two devices are similar.

Referring to the equations demonstrates why the Schottky-emitter metal-base transistor has good highfrequency performance. First, base transit time is negligibly small. For metal-base film thicknesses on the order of 100 angstrom units, $\tau_{b}$ is on the order of $10^{-14}$ second. Thus, $\tau_{e c}$ is reduced as compared to $n p n$ junction transistors ( $\tau_{s}$ and $\tau_{c}$ being comparable for the metal-base and $n p n$ devices). Second, the base resistance of the metal-base transistor is about two orders of magnitude lower than values for optimum junc-tion-transistor designs. Thus, $f_{\text {max }}$ is about 10 times as high for the metal-base transistor as for a junction device, having comparable geometry and operating current density.

Noise-The noise figure is important because it is anticipated that a major application of metal-base transistors will be in the front end of microwave receivers where klystrons and travelling-wave tubes
are now used. At the present, there is little information on the subject, and further research is needed.

Other Advantages-In addition to considerably - improved frequency response, the metal-base transistor possesses other important advantages over conventional junction devices. One of these is anticipated radiation resistance. Whereas bipolar amplifiers require single-crystal material that has high crystalline perfection (particularly for the critical base region) the metal-base transistor can be fabricated from polycrystalline material, as described in the literature ${ }^{4}$ and indicated by our own work. One approach ${ }^{4}$ in use is directed towards an all-evaporated structure suitable for incorporation into integrated circuits, whereas our efforts are directed primarily towards highfrequency operation.

Research-Research and development have led to a metal-base transistor with several advantages over other known configurations.

Initial experimental devices used a copper base on germanium with a point-contact germanium emitter. ${ }^{2}$ This configuration proved capable of a power gain of about 10 db , limited mainly by the high emitter resistance of the device. To overcome this, research has been directed towards a large-area emitter device. Gold was selected for the base film because the mean-free path of hot electrons in gold is higher than in any other metal tested. ${ }^{5}$

Gold-silicon diodes were fabricated and shown to be suitable for base-collector barriers. Emitters of
evaporated CdS were used to fabricate triode structures, but barrier and temperature considerations as well as the diffusion of gold into CdS fostered an investigation into highertemperature fabrication techniques and more highly refractory materials.

Vapor plating of refractory metals is a standard method for depositing metal films, and since this was compatible with the epitaxial growth of silicon, it provided a reasonable approach to a metal-base transistor. Several metals were deposited on silicon with the greatest attention given to the refractory group. Of these, molybdenum looked most promising. ${ }^{7,8}$ Work was undertaken to determine the mean free path of hot electrons in molybdenum, and because of the results, plus the compatibility of silicon and molybdenum, the silicon-molybdenum-silicon approach to the metal-base transistor was pursued.

There is essentially no diffusion of molybdenum into silicon below $800^{\circ} \mathrm{C} .^{6}$ At higher temperatures, a compound forms that has been shown to be molybdenum-disilicide by electron diffraction.

This silicide formation limits the temperature of vapor phase reaction for the molybdenum chloride and silicon chlorides used for the base and emitter to approximately $750^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.

There may be other combinations of metals and semiconductors that have advantages over the silicon-molybdenum-silicon structure, such as silicon carbide for the emitter and possibly refractory metals other than molybdenum for the base region. For the present, however,
the structure now used will continue to be optimized.

With the vapor-plated emitter approach, a selective etch is required that will etch Si but not Mo. Scveral etches that should fulfill this requirement are presently under investigation.

Another approach that shows promise utilizes an evaporated sili-con-emitter region. The Si can be deposited only where desired by masking during the Si evaporation, thus obviating the necessity of selective etching.

The system in use was constructed to explore both these and other methods of fabricating a metal-base transistor.

The research models of the metalbase transistor produced so far have shown great promise. The base collector breakdown occurs at about 10 volts as shown in Fig. 3, but this and the low alpha are not serious detriments in low-level microwave amplifiers, which are the primary projected use of this device.

Design For 10 Gc-At present, efforts are directed at a broadband microwave amplifier utilizing a metal-base transistor in a groundedbase configuration, where the transistor has the following parameters: $r_{e}$ is 2 ohms (achieved at a current density of about $3 \times 10^{3} \mathrm{amp} /$ $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$ ); $r_{b}$ is 1 ohm; $r_{c}$ is negligibly high; $C_{e}$ is 1 pf (for an area of 0.5 $\times 10^{-5} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}$ and forward biased); $C_{c}$ is 0.1 pf (for an area of $10^{-5}$ $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$ and back bias of about 6 v ); and $a$ is 0.9 at 10 Gc .
The collector load must be inductive to tune out the collector capacitance as shown in Fig. 4A.

At 10 Gc , the reactance of $C_{c}$ is 159 ohms. To achieve the desired bandwidth of 1 Gc , the Q of the output circuit must be less than 10. Choose $R_{L}=1,000$ ohms. An alternative equivalent of Fig. 4 A is the series arrangement of Fig. 4B, wherein $r_{L}$ is 25 ohms. This is a good characteristic impedance for a strip-line microwave circuit and suggests its use with a small inductance in series with the collector load.

The power gain of this amplifier is 25.2 db neglecting circuit losses. This calculation assumes negligible phase shift associated with $a$, permitting 5.2 db of circuit losses over


COMMON emitter characteristics of the MBT, where scales are 5 volts-perdivision horizontal, and 2•ma-per-division vertical-Fig. 3


COLLECTOR load must be inductive to cancel capacitance at $10 \mathrm{Gc}(\mathrm{A})$, alternative load circuit for a strip-line amplifier application (B), and actual strip-line circuit (C)-Fig. 4
and above the desired $20-\mathrm{db}$ gain. The grounded-base configuration is recommended because of the natural match achieved between the geometry of the device and the electromagnetic field pattern realized in a strip-line or waveguide circuit. Figure 7 illustrates a convenient arrangement and suggests the type of encapsulation required.

The input impedance of the transistor is $3.65+j 5.18$ ohms. By
shunting the input with a capacitive reactance of 7.75 ohms , a resistive input impedance of 11 ohms is achieved at a Q of about 2. The input circuit is very broadband under these conditions. Figure 4C shows a short-circuited line longer than $\lambda / 4$ paralleling the emitter input; this length should be adjusted to present - $j 7.75$ ohms to the input for tuning.

The small hairpin loop in series


SIZE comparison between a metal-base transistor and a typical travelingwave tube-Fig. 5
with the collector lead as shown is a simple way to achieve the $j 159-$ ohm series inductive reactance required to tune out the collector capacitance. The $\mathrm{d}-\mathrm{c}$ isolation and biasing provisions are not shown, but these should not present any serious problems.

The base connection should preferably be a flat, round metal plate contacting the hole in the ground plane. A good electrical and thermal connection is desirable. With this arrangement, the output circuit is completely electrically shielded from the input circuit, thereby preventing external feedback difficulties.

The 11 -ohm input line can be readily matched to a 25 -ohm line with a taper or a step transformer, thus making the over-all input and output impedances equal.

The same general design can be readily adapted to coaxial or waveguide circuits.

Fabrication-Reproducibility of the metal-base transistor is not known as yet because fabrication parameters are not yet fully optimized. This has prevented making many identical runs as required for a statistically meaningful reproducibility analysis.

Tests to date would indicate but not show conclusively that the stability and lifetime of the Si-MoSi structures equal or exceed those of conventional bipolar transistors.

Scores of devices have been fabricated simultaneously on large Si wafers, as in conventional technology. However, this technique does not lend itself well to a solution of the special connection and packaging problems inherent in microwave designs. We are currently fabricating six devices simultaneously, each device being deposited on the two-mil tip of a tapered metal pin shaped like an old-fashioned phonograph needle.

A base flange and a collector wire and pin are attached and the device is mounted in a strip-line circuit of the type shown in Fig. 4C, using the collector circuit of Fig. 4B. This technique is undoubtedly more expensive than the multiple-device technique on a single wafer generally employed for conventional devices. However, the metal-base transistor is designed to be competitive with other microwave amplifiers such as traveling wave tubes, rather than with low-frequency transistors of conventional design, and in the microwave area, the metal-base transistor should be highly competitive on a manufacturing cost basis. An artist's sketch of the complete metal-base transistor microwave amplifier package compared with a traveling-wavetube package, both designed for broadband amplification at 10 Gc appears in Fig. 5. This design is nearing completion in the laboratory, and it is hoped that initial microwave-performance measurements can be made within two or three months.

At frequencies higher than about 10 Gc , the strip-line circuits become impractical, and it is necessary to use waveguides. Eventually, with good design, it should be possible to fabricate amplifiers and oscillators in the 50 -to $100-\mathrm{Gc}$ range. This will take more time however, just as the full frequency potentialities of conventional bipolar junction transistors required a reasonable development time.

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## MAPPING THE SKY IN UV

Present cosmological theories hold that stars were formed by condensation of interstellar gas and dust. Now interstellar atoms absorb radiation only in the far ultraviolet and they exhibit a lot of dispersion. Thus the primary mission of the third OAO flight will be to measure these ultraviolet lines-to map the sky in the ultraviolet region.

The third OAO will weigh $3,600 \mathrm{lb}$. It will be the
largest orbiting lab to be launched in the current generation of satellites. It will follow a 500 -mile-high orbit-below the Van Allen radiation belt but high enough to minimize external disturbances due to torques.
The spacecraft will be pointed to an accuracy of one mil of arc but the electronic systems will control datagathering instruments to about a micron

# Drive-Brake Circuit Positions 

# Ultraviolet Spectrometer in Spacecraft 

Prearranged or instantaneous commands control movement<br>of instrument in three search modes: scan, slew and sweep

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THE THIRD OAO (Orbiting Astronomical Observatory) satellite scheduled for launch in 1966 is instrumented to obtain ultraviolet absorption of the intergalactic gas clouds. A Princeton 32 -inch astronomical telescope, with a high-resolution spectrometer, will use electronics by Sylvania Electronic Systems, a division of Sylvania Electric Products Inc. for control and data gathering. (p 28 Feb 28 1964.)

The spectrometer has two independent detector

carriages and their positions are controlled by the experimenter's commands from the ground. The position of each carriage is measured to a resolution of 1.5 microns. Necessary electronics includes a programmer and a drive-brake control circuit for the carriage motors.

Position Sensor-The position-determining element for each carriage is a precision lead screw, heavily preloaded by a split nut to minimize backlash (Fig 1). A drive motor and a 19-bit shaft-position encoder are geared to each lead screw. Carriage position is measured indirectly by sensing the position of the lead screw with the encoder. Since the geartrain and split-nut lead screw have a large mechanical hysteresis, reversing of the drive motor cannot be allowed during an operating cycle. Because of this limitation, overtravel cannot be allowed and the system must be heavily over-damped to achieve the desired positioning accuracy.

Motor-Perhaps the most important single component in the design of this mechanism is the motor. Electrical efficiency, torque, and physical considerations leads to a final choice of a size- 8 two-phase,

[^0]5 -watt, 400 -cycle hysteresis-synchronous type gearhead motor and an off/on drive as opposed to a more conventional linear servo technique.

A specified readout resolution of 1.5 microns requires added inertia damping because there is an overshoot of 30 microns when full motor power is applied during the entire operating increment, ( 96 mi crons of carriage travel). A dynamic brake circuit triggered at the end of each drive cycle involves the application of a large current pulse to the motor windings for approximately 40 milliseconds. The frictional load (40-160 inch ounces at the lead screw) added to the dynamic braking provides sufficient damping to limit overtravel to approximately 1.0 micron.

Control Loop-The programmer accepts digital commands from the spacecraft command data handling and implements these commands as a function of


CONTROL LOOP accepts digital commands from Earth or the memory store of the spacecraft-Fig. 2


SIMPLIFIED DRIVE-BRAKE CIRCUIT us̀es 400 -cycle square waves triggered by ON and START command signals appearing as sine wave current impulses in the resonant circuit formed by the secondary of $\mathbf{T}_{2}$ and $\mathbf{C}$. The brake gate command allows brake current to flow through the motor winding to stop the carriage within 1 micron-Fig. 3
time and carriage position (Fig. 2). The programmer is a digital program generator which executes preprogrammed routines and the experimenter's commands from Earth to two carriage drives; the telescope focus drive, and the main data-gathering portion of the instrument. The carriage-drive sections of the programmer consist of a 14 -bit presettable counter, several flip-flops to hold decoded commands, and the associated control logic.

Carriage Operation-The carriages may be operated in several modes as commanded by the experimenter. These modes are slew, scan and sweep.

The slew command, as received from the experimenter, commands the carriage to move in a specified direction, a specified number of 12 micron increments. This command is executed by storing the specified number in the 14 -bit counter and decrementing this count once for each 12 microns of carriage travel seen by the encoder. When the counter reaches the zero state the drive is halted.

The scan command causes the carriage to move in 12 or 96 micron increments over its full range of travel with a 15 -second data-taking pause between each increment. This sequence is established by sensing 12 or 96 micron carriage steps seen by the encoder, and counting seconds (in the 14 -bit register) under the control of the spacecraft clocks.

The sweep command causes the carriage to move in 12 micron intervals forward for 15 increments with a 15 -second data-taking pause between each increment. The drive is then reversed for 18 increments, and driven forward for 3 increments to remove mechanical backlash. The sweep is repeated to allow for additional samplings of the same spectral region.

Programmer-Outputs from the programmer to the drive/brake circuits include the drive-forward and drive-reverse gates, the start trigger and the brake gate. The drive gates are the direct outputs of control flip-flops in the programmer. The start trigger coincides with the leading edge of the drive gates, has a duration of a few milliseconds, and shock excites the drive oscillator to insure a positive start. The brake gate starts at the trailing edge of the drive gates and has a duration of 40 milliseconds.

Drive-Brake Circuit-An operating cycle is started by the programmer by gating on transistor $Q^{1}$ and applying a start trigger to excite $Q_{3}$ (see Fig 3). A stable oscillation quickly builds up with the switching core ( $T_{1}$ ) acting as the 400 -cycle frequency determining element. Transistors $Q_{2}$ and $Q_{3}$ act as saturated choppers and a square wave is applied to the primary of the output transformer $T_{2}$. The current waveform in the secondary of the transformer is a sine wave which provides drive to the motor. The end of a carriage drive cycle is commanded by removing the drive gate and applying the brake gate. This effectively disables the power oscillator and allows approximately 1 amp of d-c brake current to flow through $Q_{6}$ to the motor winding. This reduces coasting time of the motor from about 1.5 seconds to 30 microseconds in time and from 30 microns to 1 micron in distance traveled by the carrriage.


FINAL VERSION of drive-brake circuit. Master oscillator core $T_{3}$ is common to two power stages. Motor direction is controlled by reversing the phase of the drive to one power stage by $\mathbf{C}$. Double redundancy is provided by quad configuration of power oscillator transistors $\mathbf{Q}_{1}$ to $\mathbf{Q}_{12}$ and fuses in emitter circuits of power transistors $\mathbf{Q}_{13}$ to $\mathbf{Q}_{2 \pi}$ - Fig. 4

Reliability-To achieve maximum reliability in the motor drive system an approach illlustrated in Fig. 4 is adopted. All semiconductors in the oscillatordrive section are in a series-parallel configuration (quad). This is advantageous because a failure in one transistor would not disable the entire circuit. A short in transistor $Q_{1}$ would pass all the current through this leg and divide it between $Q_{3}$ and $Q_{4}$ (depending on their match). If $Q_{1}$ opened, then transistor $Q_{2}$ must carry the full load, however, each transistor in the quad has been designed to carry the increased current. Note that various combinations of two open transistors or of open and shorted transistors are possible without rendering the circuit inoperative.

Instead of quading the power drive transistors, fuses were used in series with each parallel transistor (the use of fuses in these stages is possible since the current levels are high). Fuses are used here for economic reasons and power considerations. If a short occurs in one of the transistors the fuse blows, opening this leg, and its parallel transistor carries the full load. The benefit of a quad with maximum efficiency, and reliability, is realized. The fuses are
micro-miniature, solid-state current limiters with onepiece ceramic elements (Microelectron type P400).

Conversion Efficiency - Electrical conversion efficiency of the circuit ( 28 vd d to two-phase $26-\mathrm{v}$ a-c, 400 -cycle sine wave) is approximately 85 percent. The major factor in achieving this electrical efficiency with this drive system is the design of the output transformers ( $T_{2}$ and $T_{3}$ ). Since they are nonlinear (a square-wave input yields a sine-wave output) they cannot be analyzed by the usual equivalent circuit techniques. Electrical conversion efficiency is highly sensitive to the turns ratio and to the value of the capacitor across the secondary. A capacitor in series with the secondary is then set to obtain the proper 90 -degree phase separation in the motor windings.

These transformers have loosely coupled secondary windings with shunt resonance capacitors. Energy is absorbed from the square-wave input of the saturated transistors and fed out as a sine wave.

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# The Frustrating Problem of Inductors in Integrated Circuits 


#### Abstract

Tuning integrated circuits is still an unsolved problem because inductors can't be made small enough. Here three different approaches are compared, pointing out the advantages and limitations of each. They are: active feedback, passive feedback and feed forward nets


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INTEGRATED circuits are coming of age and are now capable of performing many of the digital and linear functions previously performed by conventional circuits using discrete components. However, one of the functions which has stubbornly resisted full integration is frequency-selective amplification. The source of the difficulty lies in the fact that it has not been possible to miniaturize high-Q inductors to the point where they are consistent in size with other integrated components. When a capacitor is miniaturized by scaling down all of its dimensions, the capacitance decreases proportionately but the quality factor remains constant at constant frequency. On the other hand, when an inductor ${ }^{1}$ is similarly miniaturized, the $\mathbf{Q}$ decreases as the square of the scaling factor. Therefore major improvements in material properties are necessary before high-Q LC tuning networks can be integrated.

Many solutions to these tuning problems have been suggested. The purpose of this article is to show that each of these approaches falls into one of three categories. The advantages and disadvantages of each category are illustrated by typical examples. Elimination of the unpromising categories then points the way in which future work must be directed towards the solution of the tuning problem.

Passive Feedback-The well-known LC tank circuit will serve as a standard of comparison and is an example of the passive-feedback category of tuning networks. Although it is not ordinarily recognized that the selectivity of an LC network depends on feedback, a signal flow graph shows the similarity between these networks and other selective feedback networks. Such networks become frequencyselective when at some frequency the loop gain approaches unity. In
the case of passive feedback networks, this requires the use of nearly lossless reactive elements. For example, passive $R C$ networks can never have sharp selectivity.

Selective networks using passive feedback have two very important advantages. They are simple in that relatively few components are required and the component tolerances are relatively uncritical. A useful quantitative measure of how critical the tolerances are may be obtained from the sensitivities ${ }^{2}$ of

## COMPARISON OF NETWORK TUNERS

Active feedback does not provide an attractive solution to the problem of tuning integrated-circuits because of the tight component tolerances needed. Feedforward also is not attractive because of circuit complexity. The most promising tuners would be passive LC circuits and piezoelectric resonators which, although not necessarily integrated, are at least compatible in size with integrated networks


SELECTIVE tuners use parallel T feedback network ( $A$ ) and reactance-tube circuit (B)-Fig. 1

Q with respect to the various components $x_{i}$, where
$S_{x i} Q=\frac{x_{i}}{Q} \quad \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x_{i}} \approx-2 Q \operatorname{Im} S_{x i}{ }^{* p}$
Here $s_{p}$ is the dominant pole causing selectivity, and the sensitivities $S_{x i}$ may be evaluated from the characteristic equation of the network. A total $Q$ sensitivity for the network, $\Sigma_{Q}$, may then be defined by

$$
\Sigma_{Q} \equiv \Sigma_{i}\left|S_{x i^{Q}}\right| \approx 2 Q \Sigma_{i}\left|\operatorname{Im} S_{x i}{ }^{p p}\right|
$$

$\Sigma_{Q}$ may be interpreted as follows. If every element in the network changes by 1 percent in a direction such that the effects are additive, the $Q$ will change by $\Sigma_{Q}$ percent. Conversely, if Q is to be held within a tolerance of $\pm \theta$ percent, component tolerances of the order of $\left(\theta / \Sigma_{Q}\right)$ percent are required.

When the sensitivities of $Q$ with respect to the $L, C$, and $R$ of a tank circuit are evaluated and summed, it is found that

$$
\Sigma_{Q}=2
$$

Since it is impossible for a passive network to be self-oscillatory, this value of $\Sigma_{Q}$ is relatively small and in particular it is independent of $\mathbf{Q}$. Therefore LC tuning networks are well behaved and are the ideal tuning method wherever they can be used.

Active Feedback-Numerous circuits for obtaining frequency-selectivity without using inductance have been discussed in the literature ${ }^{3}$ and are commonly used at low frequencies where the alternative is to use a bulky inductor. Most of these circuits use an $R C$ feedback network around one or more active elements. As before, selectivity results when the loop gain approaches unity, but now the active elements are necessary to cancel most of the signal losses in the $R C$ network. Because of the delicate balance which must be maintained, selective active feedback networks are inherently very sensitive to component tolerances. If a component drifts slightly in one direction, selectivity is lost, while a drift in the other direction
causes loss of the desired bandwidth and then self-oscillation.

A typical network of this type uses an $R C$ null circuit in the feedback path, such as the parallel T , as shown in Fig. 1. The total sensitivity for this circuit is $\Sigma_{Q}=2 Q$, where the sensitivity of $Q$ with respect to the amplifier gain, $G$, has not been included in the summation. The reason for this omission is that $S_{G}{ }^{e}$ may be made arbitrarily small if $G$ is made large enough. However the total sensitivity cannot be reduced. Since $\Sigma_{Q}$ is proportional to Q , the attainment of higher Q (with the same percentage tolerance on Q) always necessitates tighter tolerances on the components. For example, to achieve a Q of 50 within $\pm 10$ percent, component tolerances of the order of 0.1 percent are required over the entire range of operating conditions. Such tolerances on integrated circuits are completely unreasonable in the foreseeable future.

Similar conclusions hold for all other networks using an active feedback loop to obtain selectivity (other null circuits and phase shifters, ${ }^{3}$ negative impedance converters, negative resistance devices, ${ }^{4}$ ) with one notable exception. Second-order feedback networks, such as the bridged T or the two-section phase shifter shown in Fig. 2, are unconditionally stable if connected around an amplifier having no excess phase shift. Under these circumstances $\Sigma_{Q}$ is again independent of $Q$ as it is for an $L C$ tank circuit. The circuit shown in Fig. 2 is that of the well known reactance tube, and gives $\Sigma_{Q}=7 / 6$ where, in this case, $S_{a}{ }^{9}$ cannot be reduced and has been included in the summation. The disadvantage of these circuits is that very high gain is required for useful Q. For Fig. $2, G \approx 9 Q^{2}$ so that a


TYPICAL selective feedback networks illustrate the tolerance-sensitivity problem-Fig. 2

Q of 50 would require a gain of about 87 db . The high gain requirement, together with the low phase shift, have thus far made a transistorized reactance tube impractical for building an integrated tuning network. However, the development of high-gain, high-input-impedance field-effect transistors could change the future prospects of this circuit.

The seriousness of the tolerance sensitivity problem for most high-Q active feedback networks is shown in Fig. 3 in which the values of $\Sigma_{Q}$ are plotted as functions of Q . The graph for parallel-T feedback, although not the minimum that is possible, ${ }^{5}$ is representative since it is the slope which poses the major problem.

Feed-Forward Networks - The unique feature of a feedback network is that the same network is used to process the signal an infinite number of times. The price which is paid for this feature is the inherent possibility of self-oscillation. However, any feedback network may be


FEEDBACK network ( $A$ ) and its equivalent feedforward network ( $B$ ) present problems of complexity-Fig. 3
replaced by an equivalent feedforward network consisting of an infinite chain of identical stages, where the output is obtained by summing the outputs of the individual stages as shown in Fig. 4.

The question now arises: can a selective feedback network be satisfactorily approximated by a finite feedforward network, and if so, how many stages are required? The anticipated advantage is that a finite feedforward network cannot become self-oscillatory, and therefore the extreme tolerance sensitivity of a selective feedback network can be avoided.

As with the active feedback approach to tuning, there are many specific circuits which fall into the feedforward category. Some are ordinary linear networks or devices ${ }^{6}$ while others use sampling techniques, ${ }^{7,8}$ and each differs from the others in details. The common disadvantage of these networks is not one of stability and tolerances but one of complexity. No high-Q feedforward network is known which promises to be economically feasible in integrated form.

As an example, consider the case where each stage consists of a lossless delay line. This network is the electrical analog of a diffractiongrating monochromator. Then $\mu(s)$ $=e^{-\tau_{8}}$ and $\beta=1$ where $\tau$ is the delay in each section. The fundamental passband is centered at $1 / \tau$ cycles per second, but other passbands occur at multiples of this frequency. It can be shown that the approximate Q for a large number of stages, $N$, is then given by $Q \approx$ $9 N / 8$. Therefore about 45 sections of delay line, together with the appropriate summing network, would be necessary for a Q of 50 . Aside from the difficulty of trying to integrate a nearly lossless delay line, it is very unlikely that this much complexity can be justified in the accomplishment of such a simple function.

Looking Ahead-Assuming that an economically feasible solution to the integrated circuit tuning problem will eventually be found, it is unlikely that it will be either an active feedback network (because of the required tolerances) or a feedforward network (because of complexity). The remaining alternative is a passive tuning network, that is, a


COMPARISON of half-wavelength of electromagnetic and acoustic waves favors the latter-Fig. 4
classical LC circuit or its electromechanical analog, an acoustic resonator. Although the investigation of integrated tuning networks over the past five years appears to have returned to its starting point, the present situation differs in at least two important respects. There is a fuller awareness that there is no mystical easy solution to the problem and the hard facts of life force the acceptance of a compromise solution as better than no solution. In this light, hybrid circuits that are not completely integrated become more attractive.

For frequencies of 50 Mc or more, relatively little inductance is required for tuning and it may yet be possible to develop a satisfactory inductor of compatible size. Piezoelectric devices also show great promise. These devices exhibit a resonance when the controlling dimension is of the order of an acoustic half-wavelength.

If 500 mils is taken as an upper limit for the size of an economical integrated circuit component, Fig. 5 shows that resonant acoustic devices lie below this limit for all frequencies greater than about 100 kc . The analogous electrically resonant traveling wave structure would be larger
by a factor of about $10^{5}$. The necessity of special mountings for these devices to prevent acoustic coupling has been a serious disadvantage, but this difficulty may not be insurmountable. Therefore the solution to the tuning problem, atthough not attained, has at least been circumscribed.

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## (4) The Two Faces of Will Copp



With a soft voice and tough rules, he runs the IEEE Show


By PEGGY JACKSON, Staff Writer

NEW YORK- The largest and most successful trade show in industry was brought to its present stature by a man who considers himself a "scullery maid" and is too modest -or too politically astute-to take credit for his creation.

When William C. Copp joined the Institute of Radio Engineers in 1941 as an advertising salesman, the exhibit portion of the annual IRE Convention was run by one of its 10,000 members, without pay. In 1945, Will Copp signed a contract to manage the exhibit as well as sell advertising. He has been doing it ever since, and he, according to an associate, has been "amply compensated."

Under Copp's tutelage, the electronic extravaganza has grown from about 150 exhibitors and 10,000 attendees in 1945 to this year's expected 1,000 exhibitors and 72,000 attendees. It has outgrown, successively, New York's Hotel Astor, Hotel Commodore, Grand Central Palace, Kingsbridge Armory and, this year, the New York Coliseum. The electrical equipment manufacturers will exhibit their wares in the New York Hilton and, Copp laments, "I wanted to sell 150 booths in the Hilton but I'm only going to sell a little over 100."

Copp attributes the growth of the IEEE show to the growth of the entire electronics industry. But
nearly everyone having anything to do with the show agrees that it is equally-if not more-attributable to Will Copp. Other industries have grown. But there is only one IEEE show. As one associate remarked: "He has been a victim of circumstances; and he took advantage of them."

Copp's own ability to "take advantage of them" is enhanced by his relationship with the IEEE. They hire him to run the show and he runs it. In a cooperative undertaking of 1,000 competing companies there must be a final authority. Although the Exhibits Advisory Committee, of which Copp is a member but not chairman, has nominal authority, the committee recognizes the advantages of Copp's 19 years of successful experience.

Many of the fruits of these 19 years are condensed into a two-page bulletin-blue this year-that is mailed to each of the exhibitors well before the show. Under the heading "Purpose and Rules," the bulletin, in 29 explicit paragraphs, lists rules that no ingenuity on the part of enterprising exhibitors can circumvent. Some call them "arbitrary," but everyone agrees that they are the same for every exhibitor. These rules, as well as furnishing guidelines for the IEEE show, furnish fuel for much of the controversy surrounding Will Copp.

Objections, But Vague--He is called "the most expert show manager in the United States" by the man who hired him and, variously, "a tough, businesslike guy," "tops," and "a very diplomatic fellow" by some of the people he's worked with. Copp's admirers back up their adjectives with anecdotes and examples. They talk about his 24 -hour working days at show time, his willingness to "pitch in" with even the most menial phase of the operation. The most obvious example they cite is, of course, the success of the show.

Copp's detractors are either unwilling or unable to reveal the basis for their opinions. One exhibitor, complaining of Copp's "cavalier attitude" toward exhibitors, said he could not think of a single instance in which Copp had been unfair, and refused to substantiate his opinion with an incident or example. One cannot help reaching the conclusion that a gricvance afraid of print is not a legitimate grievance and that, to him, a "cavalier attitude" describes a man who, in the words of an associate, "stands for no monkey business at the show."

Copp thinks of himself as "one of the littlest people in the world" and insists that his only "power" is "the power of being right."

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"the man upstairs." Using words and phrases that would sound at best corny-at worst, insincere-in the mouths of most of the people with whom he deals, he talks about praying at crucial moments during each show. He attributes the 9,600 attendance at the 1956 show-when New York was paralyzed by an 18-inch snowfall-to Divine intervention.

Profit-Making-In talking to Copp about his work, one could almost forget that William C. Copp \& Associates, Inc., is a profit-making organization. But it is. Sales in 1962 were reportedly over $\$ 800$,000. Copp will not discuss seriously his own earnings, although he is apparently aware of criticism that he "makes a fortune" on the IEEE show. "I have 49 gold-plated Cadillacs; and you can quote me."

No one will talk about the financial picture of the IEEE show itself, though IEEE officials smilingly admit it "breaks even." Consensus of industry observers, however, is that it does much better than that.

Brotherhood-Copp himself, in a soft, hypnotic voice, discusses the IEEE show in terms of the dignity and brotherhood of man. He runs the show with an eye to both.

It is not dignified-nor, says Copp, is it good salesmanship-to have "cheesecake" competing with products. It is not in keeping with the "brotherhood of man" to collect Company A's literature in an envelope that advertises Company B. The advertising manager of a longtime exhibiting company admits that "a lot of people don't like to be regulated. But," he adds, "they need some guidance and some regulation and Copp gives it to them."

The regulations are explicit. No exhibit, for example, can be higher than 8 feet. No equipment can produce noise louder than 6 db above the existing sound level. A manufacturer who wishes to show an 8 -ft, 1 -inch antenna, or a piece of equipment that operates at 7 db above sound level, might find it difficult to observe the rule. But in Copp, says one associate, "the exhibitors run up against a fellow who isn't afraid to say "you go by the rules or out you go." "

Exhibitors who have tangled with

Copp might be pleased to know that there is one rule he has never made, although he would like to: "I'm an absolute dry and those liquor stands on the floor really burn me up."

Copp's near-missionary attitude toward his work is startlingly represented on three walls of his reception room by murals in which the various activities of William C. Copp are depicted in a realistic style that is strangely out of phase with the abstractions that decorate most corporate headquarters.

Above the section representing the IEEE show is written: "A trade show is the cooperative effort of a brotherhood of business men demonstrating the bright hope of better products."

Copp is almost embarrassingly earnest when he speaks about his belief in this doctrine. To him, the IEEE show is a "brotherhood of exhibitors exhibiting side by side." He is equally earnest in seeing his own position as that of a "scullery maid" in the IEEE organization.

Humility-His humility emerges when he says "this show is coordinated and put together by one of the littlest people in the world. The glory isn't mine; it belongs to 1,000 exhibitors. I'm a presenter of ideas. They're the originators. I never had an original idea in my life."

Some of the exhibitors feel anything but "glorified" after an encounter with Will Copp; but Copp's ability is recognized by all who know him, even if the recognition sometimes takes the form of a teethgritting admission.

The man who causes the teethgritting wears many hats. As President of William C. Copp \& Associates, Inc., he runs the IEEE show as Advertising and Exhibits Manager and does the same jobwith the same title-for the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association. As President of Copp Publications, Inc., he publishes two trade magazines: Law and Order, for police department officials, and Mayor and Manager, for city government officials.

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EDISON MEDAL-the annual award for long-term technical achievement-goes to John R. Pierce "for his pioneer work and leadership in satellite communications and for his stimulus and contributions to electron optics, traveling-wavetube theory and the control of noise in electron streams." Pierce, 53, is executive director, research and communications principles, Bell Telephone Laboratories. He invented both the "Pierce gun' ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ and periodic focusing.


FOUNDERS AWARD, annual recognition of outstanding service to IEEE and the profession, goes to Canadian Andrew George Latta McNaughton, "for his inspiring leadership and his personal contributions to the field of electrical engineering and radio communications." Joint inventor of the cathode-ray direction finder, McNaughton served in both World War I and World War II before retiring from the Canadian Army, as a General, in 1944.

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MORRIS N. LIEBMANN MEMORIAL PRIZE, for a recent major contribution to radio art, was won by Arthur L. Schawlow, Physics Professor at Stanford University, "for his pioneering and continuing contributions in the field of optical masers." Schawlow was coauthor of the 1958 scientific paper that suggested the possibility of devising a laser.


EDUCATION MEDAL was awarded to B. Richard Teare, Jr., dean of the College of Engineering and Science at Pittsburgh's Carnegie Institute of Technology. Teare's award recognizes his leadership in planning courses to give students competence in humanistic and social as well as technical fields. He has been with Carnegie Tech since 1939, before that with GE.


HARRY DIAMOND MEMORIAL PRIZEfor outstanding technical contributions in government service-goes to James R. Wait, National Bureau of Standards, Boulder, Colo., for outstanding contributions in the field of electromagnetic wave theory. Wait, a 40 -year-old Canadian, is a professor (adjoint) of electrical engineering at the University of Colorado.

W.R.G. BAKER PRIZE-annual award for the best paper originating in the IEEE Transactions-goes to Donald L. White for his paper entitled "The Depletion Layer Transducer." With Bell Telephone Laboratories since 1956, White is currently working on the physical theory and application possibilities of ultrasonics in solid-state physics.


BROWDER J. THOMPSON MEMORIAL PRIZE-for best IEEE paper by an author or authors under thirty-goes to 28 -year-old Harry B. Lee, MIT assistant professor, for his paper on "A New Canonic Realization Procedure." Lee received S.B and S.M, and PhD degrees from MIT, then spent a year at the Royal Technical University of Denmark as a Fullbright Scholar.


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- Marine navigational aids- 12 to 20 underwater acoustic beacons are envisaged in the next three years, with as many as 200 additional systems possible by 1970 . The generators are now being developed.
- Oceanographic and weather buoys-A network of 100 buoys similar to the NOMAD and MAMOS Buoys (Electronics, p 14, Feb. 21) is desired. Data from various depths would be correlated during underwater acoustic experiments.
- Communications satellites-A 30-watt generator is being developed for the Medium Altitude Communications Satellite program. A need is seen for 25 to 40 satellites.

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- Unattended seismic stationsLamont Geological Observatory of Columbia University is interested in building an undersea seismic station at a depth of some $20,000 \mathrm{ft}$.
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NEW YORK - While the electronics industry is getting bigger, it is also getter leaner. The IEEE Show this year will mirror that image of the industry. Few companies are going into the show to be one of the boys.

The military market is fairly tight right now. Military business is generally down, and companies going after this business are sharpening their estimating pencils as well as improving products. This competitive pressure is taking hold throughout the industry.

One of the reasons for the heightened competition, according to Robert Janning, marketing manager for Leach Corp., is due to the end of the sole-source or limitedcompetition concept in military buying.

Now, any company can bid on a contract, even in the middle of a program, and get in if it can supply
an item at a competing or lower cost. In the past, Janning points out, the Department of Defense was reluctant to allow this and permitted some contractors to monopolize a contract.

The market should loosen up later this year. Spokesmen for several exhibitors predict a pickup in military business before election time and some expect to do better in 1964 than 1963 as a result. But right now, it's a buyers' market.

Military and Space-Almost all of the big military and space companies will be at the show, but they'll be primarily selling components, subsystems and instruments -not systems-to military and commercial companies.

Raytheon, for example, has been working on integrated circuits for the Apollo guidance computer. So, for a crowd-stopper, it will show a commercial version of an Apollo circuit, but the heart of the display will be Raytheon's other component lines (booth 2606).

RCA's Defense Electronics and Astroelectronics divisions don't plan


# Missile With Strings Attached 

ANTITANK MISSILE being developed by Hughes Aircraft has hit a target within a foot of dead center in dem. onstration tests, Army reports. The missile is called TOW (Tubelaunched, Optically-tracked, Wirecommand). Missile's course is slaved to optical tracker by signals sent down wire by electronic system. Hughes has received $\$ 23$ million in contracts


MINIATURE tape recorder being introduced by Leach is designed for use in rockets and other high environment applications is typical of aerospace products being sold
to participate actively in the Show, but RCA will be there with the unpressurized traveling-wave tubes used in the Relay II satellite, the half-inch and one-inch vidicons used in space tv cameras, and semiconductor devices developed for space applications. Some of these, RCA believes, will attract industrial electronics interest (booth 1602).

Rohr Corporation's most famous project is the 210 -foot dish being set up at the Goldstone, Calif., space-tracking facility. Rohr will feature a model of it at the Show. It demonstrates the company's capabilities in commercial antennas. Rohr does a good business selling microwave horn antennas to telephone companies (booth 1906).

Aiming its exhibit right at the space market, though, will be Antenna Systems, Inc. Smaller nations will want to tie into the global telephone networks that will come with communications satellites. But they can't afford huge installations, so the company is selling mobile antennas (booth 2434).

Computers-Most of the computers at the show will be working tools

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Improvements in operating flexibility are generally featured in the newer analog computers. For instance, Electronic Associates' desktop Pace TR-20 is an improved model of the TR-10. The TR-20 has a new variable function generator that allows nonlinear functions to be set up more quickly (booth 1927). Systron-Donner's new SD40/80 transistorized computers come with 42 or 84 operational amplifiers and can be expanded by inserting additional computing modules into prewired slots behind the problem board (booth 3916).

Engineers have found that hybrid systems, combining digital and analog computers, come in handy for solving complex engineering or scientific problems. The digital end helps the analog end out, for example, by storing data, and providing logic, switching and programming functions.

Hybrid computers can now be bought. But companies that want to link up their existing, but separate, digital and analog computers
need interface equipment. These used to be custom installations, but hybrid linkage subsystems can now be bought, too.

Computer Systems is showing a hybrid linkage, the Dystac HL-20, that will hook up general-purpose analog computers (including the current Dystac line) to digital computers such as the Control Data 160A and 3200, and the Digital Equipment PDP-1 to PDP-6 computers. The HL-20 provides highspeed solid-state switching, and digital inputs to control analog coefficients. The analog sample-andhold circuit is separately available for such data-acquiring applications as industrial process control (booth 3926).

Another digital-analog interface is General Applied Science Labs' AD-1. Four channels convert from analog to digital, and two from digital to analog. The sampling rate for $a-d$ and $d-a$ conversion can be selected through a rate generator variable from 10 microsec to 1 second in 10 -microsec intervals (booth 3839).

Logic Modules-Integrated circuits will be giving discrete-component logic modules their first serious


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[^1]competition at the Show this year (see p 10), but there'll be plenty of new printed-circuit and weldedcircuit modules. To name a few:

- Digital Equipment Corp. has a new series of $10-\mathrm{Mc}$ silicon cards (booth 3833)
- Atlantic Instruments is rounding out their line with several 250 kc cards, a $500-\mathrm{kc}$ flip-flop and may show a 1-Mc line (booth 2002)
- Control Logic will have over 20 silicon welded-circuit modules that will count at 50 Mc and do arithmetic at 25 Mc (booth 3043)

Walkirt Company (booth 2708) is bringing in the first off-the-shelf item in a line of packaged integrated circuits: a decade made up of six TI Series 53 circuits. Walkirt will be packaging integrated circuits because, as one Walkirt man put it, "We couldn't beat the integratedcircuit manufacturers, so we've joined them."

C\&K Components, however, is bucking integrated circuits with counting devices based on magnetic cores. "Unlike integrated circuits, which are on all the time," C\&K says, its circuits use no power when idle and can provide duty cycles of a million to one. For the show, the modules are put together as a clock that will turn off a satellite beacon after one year (booth 1629).

Honeywell hopes to have a new line of milliwatt digital logic ready in time for the show. Similar to direct-coupled transistor logic, the line is made by a planar triplediffused process that is said to simplify fabrication and reduce cost.

Power Supplies-The trend toward solid-state is helping, and being helped by, power-supply manufacturers.

Increased use of silicon power devices are shrinking power-supply case sizes. Meanwhile, the 1964 lines contain more precision vari-able-voltage sources with excellent long and short-term voltage stability. Such power supplies are being brought on the market to satisfy the needs of equipinent designers working with advanced semiconductor devices and integrated circuits.

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current crossover mode indication, it was shown by Kepco (booth 2636) last year and will be included in the lines of several more manufacturers this year.

Instrumentation - A substantial market is opening up for phasemeasuring equipment. Many large companies are reportedly buying instrumentation to measure such things as relative phase of cable lengths and of networks. The push is attributed to the placing of large defense contracts for work on antimissile technology. Both the NikeX program and the Air Force's missile and space-detection program have complex phased-array radar systems in development.

Alford Manufacturing is one company that will be showing complete phase-measuring systems, equipment that can readily be converted into impedance plotters by adding an r-f bridge (booth 1716).

The trend toward digital readout continues this year, but there will be no mass swing to digital instruments. Instrument design is tuned to the needs of design engineers, and design engineers still generally prefer to use analog instruments when they are working on equipment that involves analog operation and measurement. Unnecessary conversion from analog to digital may mean loss of accuracy, and more work. The rising demand for digital instruments reflects mainly the increasing amount of work being done on digital equipment, and the use of tools like digital computers to process test data.

Lasers-A number of companies that are active in lasers don't plan to show. Among these are PerkinElmer, which rented a special room last year for their laser demonstration, and Maser Optics and Korad division of Union Carbide.

Spokesmen for these companies indicate that the IEEE Show is too much of a trade show for items as specialized as the laser is today. They feel that their lasers are better advertised now at the smaller, more specialized meetings.

Malcom Stitch, of Hughes, says the reasons for the scarcity of lasers at the show are that they are not yet a product to sell generally, it is hard to prepare a meaningful laser exhibit, and most of the practical

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Hughes, however, will be exhibiting a laser. It is one developed for micromachining and welding, the company's first non-laboratory laser product (booth 2501). Another exhibitor is TRG, which has an improved model of their Biolaser. Used for research at the gene and chromosome level, and for microsurgery, it can be focused down to a 1 -micron spot size (booth 1918).

Consumer Electronics-A number of goodies have been prepared by transistor manufacturers in an effort to speed up the slow pace of tv transistorization.

Some of the devices with consumer electronics applications are reported in the review of solid-state developments on p 10.

Delco Radio makes no bones about why it is introducing its DTS 3704 1-amp and DTS 3705 2.5amp silicon transistors (booth 1522). Complete transistorization of home radio and tv, says Delco, "has been waiting for the development and introduction of just such high-voltage devices as the new 400 -volt, 2.5 -amp transistor for tv horizontal output circuits." It also promises to make 500 and 50 -milliamp devices for operation directly from line voltages in audio output stages.

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ENERGY STORAGE, a frequent requirement in aerospace and terrestrial applications such as lasers, high-energy physics, nuclear and fusion experiments, conventionally has been accomplished by one of two means: capacitors and batteries. Recent advances in superconductivity will soon be adding a third method: inductive storage in superconducting coils.

Capacitor banks are particularly suited for supplying high power for short periods of time. Although the storage capacity of batteries is about three orders of magnitude greater than that of capacitor banks, they are not suited for high-rate discharges of the order of milliseconds or microseconds.

Energy densities obtainable in capacitor banks are low, of the order of $3 \times 10^{5}$ joules $/ \mathrm{m}^{3}$. Storage of $1 \mathrm{kw}-\mathrm{hr}$, or 3.6 megajoules, would require over $10 \mathrm{~m}^{3}$ of dielectric material, or a very large capacitor bank.
Another method of energy storage that allows release of the stored energy in the form of pulses, is in the magnetic field of an air-core inductor. The field energy of an inductor is

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W=\frac{B^{2}}{8} \times 10^{7} \text { joules } / \mathrm{m}^{3}
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where $B$ is flux density in webers/ $\mathrm{m}^{2}$. For a field of 10 webers $/ \mathrm{m}^{2}$ this yields a density of $4 \times 10^{7}$ joules $/ \mathrm{m}^{3}$, considerably higher than for capacitor banks.

However, there are several problems associated with conventional
inductive energy storage. Due to $I^{2} \mathrm{R}$ losses in windings, energy is lost at twice the rate of storage during an interval equal to the coil's time constant. Therefore only short charging periods are allowed and a large power supply is needed. Further problems lie in the removal of energy from an inductive store. Consequently, few inductive storage


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Superconductive storage-The elementary form of inductive energy storage in a superconductive coil is shown in the figure. The superconducting storage coil $L$ is charged with $S_{1}$ closed and $S_{2}$ and $S_{3}$ open. Series resistance $R$ controls the time constant and thus the charging time. After the desired current is achieved in $L, S_{2}$ is closed and $S_{1}$ opened, disconnecting the energy store from the supply. $S_{2}$ is a superconducting switch, causing the current in circuit 2 to be a persistent current. Energy discharge is obtained by closing $S_{3}$ and then opening $S_{2}$.

Such a system has several advantages:
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(2) The coil can be charged over a long period of time with a small, low-voltage power supply.
(3) Unlike capacitor banks, energy is stored at low voltage; high voltages appear only during discharge.

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initiated by causing the coil to go to normal conductivity.

Materials-The most widely used material at this time is $\mathrm{Nb}-25$ percent Zr (niobium-Zirconium alloy) with a critical field of about 70 kilogauss, and a critical current density approaching $10^{9} \mathrm{amps} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$ at 50 kilogauss. Another material, $\mathrm{Nb}_{3}-\mathrm{Sn}$, has a critical field of about 200 kilogauss. This material is brittle and more difficult to use than the $\mathrm{Nb}-\mathrm{Zr}$ alloys. The estimated critical field of $\mathrm{V}_{3} \mathrm{Ga}$ (vanadiumgallium) is even higher, up to 500 kilogauss, but this material is not available in suitable forms.

Storage coils - Although energy storage coils are similar to superconducting coils used for magnet systems, their design differs considerably, and is aimed at optimizing the stored energy rather than the magnetic field properties. The coils must withstand field transients and high voltages occurring during discharge. It will generally be necessary to operate storage coils at high currents, which may involve the use of rectangular conductors or parallel windings. Although high energy densities can be obtained in properly designed superconducting solenoids, the large external fields may present problems; for fast discharges it becomes undesirable for the magnetic field to link any closed metal loop other than those necessary for the operation. A more desirable configuration in this respect is the toroidal coil, which completely contains its magnetic field.

Energy densities of more than $10^{7}$ joules $/ \mathrm{m}^{3}$ can be obtained with presently available $\mathrm{Nb}-\mathrm{Zr}$ wires, and densities of at least $10^{8}$ joule $/ \mathrm{m}^{3}$ should be possible when the newer materials have reached a more advanced state of development allowing their use in larger coils.

Applications-Energy stores of this type, using superconductive coils and switches, have been used for experiments with flash tubes for optical pumping of lasers. One such experiment conducted at Ion Physics has delivered about 350 joules to the flash tubes with efficiencies of up to 90 percent. A 1.5 -kilojoule energy store is now under test.

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# Tube Amplifies Light 500,000 Times 

Increased photon gain opens up new vistas for biology and astronomy

WASHINGTON, D. C.-The first known photographs of a single living cell taken by the cell's own bioluminescence were shown here at the Scintillation and Semiconductor Counter Symposium. The photographs were made possible by an image intensifier which can amplify light over 500,000 times. The tube, developed in England by English Electric Valve Co., Ltd. is available in this country through Calvert Electronics of New York. The tube will be shown at the IEEE show in New York next week.

The original P829 amplifier (Electronics, June 15, 1962, p 66) has been greatly improved and is now capable of providing very high photon gains exceeding $10^{8}$, and low dark currents down to 3 scintillations $/ \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}$. Under continuous operating conditions, a


BASIC structure of pulsed-operation version of image intensifier tube


FIRST photographs of single living marine cell, taken with its own light, were made possible by image intensifier. Photos were taken by George T. Reynolds of Princeton
resolution exceeding 60 line pairs/ mm has been reported, and excellent pulsing characteristics have been achieved at 20 nanoseconds exposure time.

Further improvements in the basic design have greatly extended the usefulness of the tube and its present performance. At Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, Mass., this has made it possible to undertake single cell investigation without the disturbing and damaging effects of external lighting. The tube has also made it possible for astronomers to take photographs of distant stars with a clarity hitherto unobtainable. At Kitt Peak National Observatory, Tucson, Arizona, exposure time for a stellar photograph has been reduced from as much as an hour and a half to two minutes. In addition to greater clarity, the image intensifier allows a far more economic use of the Observatory's expensive equipment.

Continuous pulse-The basic structure of the input stage of the pulsed operation version of the tube ( P 829 A ) is shown in the diagram. The
preferred method of pulsing is shown. Due to the very low dark emission of these tubes, for pulses of a microsecond or less, the chance of recording one noise scintillation during the short switched off period is very small. When this tube is switched off, the background noise is somewhat less than one scintillation $/ \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{cm} / \mathrm{sec}$.

Some very interesting photographs relating to biological studies, such as the photo shown, were taken using a continuous-operation version of the tube (P829D). These photographs were take at Marine Biological Labs by George T. Reynolds of Princeton University, and are reproduced with his permission.

Although the specified minimum ratings of commercially-available tubes is 20 line pairs per mm ., resolutions up to nearly 40 line pairs per mm have been obtained at English Electric Valve with the P829D tube. A resolution of 64 line pairs mm has been reported by W. L. Livingston of Kitt Peak National Laboratory. Great care had to be taken to achieve this re-

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## Storage Tube Holds Television Image

LONDON - Researchers at London's Imperial College of Science and Technology have developed a highly sensitive tv camera tube, capable of integrating a weak light input over several hours, storing the integrated picture without deterioration and capable of reading off the picture within a single frame period.

In operation, the light input to the tube is focused on a transparent photocathode. The resulting photoelectron image is then accelerated to $5-7 \mathrm{kev}$ and focused on a target by a combination of electric and magnetic fields.

The target consists of a single plate of aluminum oxide, 500 angstroms thick, on which is deposited a spongy layer of potassium chloride. This layer is produced by evaporating the insulator in an inert gas so that the atoms aggregate before reaching the target and form a spongy layer of lower density and dielectric constant than the solid material. The layer thickness is between five and ten microns.

With such low target densities, electrons with energies of 5 Kv penetrate and build up a positive charge by secondary emmission. The secondary electrons are collected on a positive mesh. The image is retained for several hours and can be read by scanning the layer orthogonally with a low energy electron beam from a separate gun.

## Transistors Combine Speed-Voltage-Power

somerville, N. J. - Commercial availability of three high-power, high-speed switching devices now used in military applications will be announced by RCA this month. The devices are two npn epitaxial silicon transistors capable of switching 20 amperes in less than 1 microsecond,
and a darlington integrated circuit that can handle 5 amperes (TA-2513-14).

RCA claims the switching transistors have the best combination of speed, voltage and current ratings presently available. They come in flat types (TA2492-93) and stud packages types (TA2494-95) and are considered particularly useful for high-speed power inverters and switching regulators.

Equivalent circuit of the integrated circuit is a four-leaded darlington amplifier with a commutating diode in the output circuit. Current gain is 1,000 at 5 amperes, VCEO's can be 60 volts (TA2513) and 80 volts (TA2514), turn-on time is 350 nanoseconds.

## Profit Squeeze Continues For Printed Circuits

PROFITS have declined in the printed-circuit manufacturing industry, reports The Institute of Printed Circuits, a national trade association representing manufacturers and users of printed-circuit boards. A recent survey of sales and profits in the industry indicates that average profits in 1963 were about 1.5 percent of sales, after taxes.

Sales of printed circuits have grown only slightly in recent years. In 1960, profits were 3.2 percent after taxes; in 1961, 1 percent after taxes. In 1962 profits were 2.9 percent after taxes.

The Institute estimates that the total value of production of printedcircuit boards reached 85 million dollars in 1963. Of this amount, 60 percent or 51 million dollars of sales were produced by independent printed circuit-board manufacturers. The balance of the market is made up of manufacturers producing printed-circuit boards for internal applications, and is estimated at 34 million dollars.

The outlook for 1964 is for increased usage of printed-circuit boards of 5 percent to 10 percent. Competition in the industry, however, will continue its squeeze on profits. The increased units of production in 1964 is expected to be produced at about the 1963 dollar volume.

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corresponding to the quiet channels. Ratio of noise in quiet channel to channel noise without bandstop filter inserted, is noise power ratio.

Model 2090 will accommodate six band-stop, two low-pass and one high-pass filters. Filter selection is from a wide range of CCIR recommended frequencies as well as many others for use in in-band or out-ofband testing. Changing filters to suit different bandwidth systems is a simple operation.

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noise generator is not available, an accessory noise source may be fitted into the receiver to permit calibration of each test channel.

The small, lightweight and reliable test sets are used to measure the noise or power ratio on systems, either at a single station or over a number of hops. Other uses include checking intrinsic channel noise, checking satellite communications, measuring crosstalk in wideband independent side-band systems or intermodulation in multichannel cable transmissions. Marconi Instruments, 111 Cedar Lane, Englewood, N.J. Booth 3701-3705.
circle 301, reader service card

## Radial-Resolution CRT Has Variety of Uses

TYPE CK1378 radial-resolution cathode-ray tube can be used as a multiplexer for coded transmission, a frequency multiplexer from 60 cps to 30 kc , an analog-to-digital converter, for time sharing of any type and numerous other applications where it is desirable to segregate signals into narrowly defined angular sectors. In its present configuration
the tube can separate signals into 10-degree sectors.

From a single cathode-ray gun at the input end of the CK1378 an electron beam is projected to the target end where the 3 -in. diameter target face is precision-etched into 36 equal and electrically-isolated sectors. The tube can also be supplied with any number of divisions


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of the target screen. Outputs of the discrete sectors are terminated through the fritted glass faceplate with four E9 nine-pin bases. Each sector is connected to a separate output lead terminating in one of the external bases.

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## Nanovoltmeter Has 18 Ranges

DEVELOPMENT of a nanovoltmeter that measures 10 nv to 100 mv full scale without elaborate laboratory setups previously required is announced. Model 148 was designed to measure extremely low d-c voltages or voltage changes from low impedance sources; as a laboratory standard, for fundamental or applied research, cryogenics or space instrument developments. The instrument measures thermocouple outputs, thermoelectric potentials from metals and thermopiles, Hall effects, contact potentials, conductances and superconductivities in the 10 to -6ohm range.

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d-c amplifier, feeding signals to recorders or scopes.

Impedances in the input circuitry have been held low to minimize Johnson noise or thermal agitation -often a limiting factor in measuring small potentials. Pressure mating of crimped copper to copper internal connections eliminates thermal noise between unlike metals. Keithley Instruments, Inc., 12415 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 6, O. Booth 3704-3706. (303)

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## Microwave



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## Device Synchronizes BWO's and Klystrons

MODEL 243 synchronizer phaselocks backward-wave oscillators as well as reflex klystrons to crystal stability. Its increased current capability enables it to be used with certain types of triode oscillators that fall within the current range of 25 ma max. A phase-lock indicator has been incorporated into the model 243 which permits easier locking indication. The phase-lock disable switch, also incorporated into the design, pernits disabling of the phase-lock so as to be able to lock to the next adjacent fre-
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## Microwave Phase Meter Gives Fast Response

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## Antenna Systems Have High Gain Pattern

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## Production Equipment



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## LITERATURE OF THE WEEK

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tunnel diodes Micro State Electronics Corp., 152 Floral Ave., Murray Hill, N.J., offers a data sheet on its new series of gallium arsenide and germanium tunnel diodes. (371)
rotary precision commutators Computer Instruments Corp., 92 Madison Ave., Hempstead, L.I., N.Y. A 12 page catalog is devoted to rotary commutators that feature precious metal flush contacts and multiple fingered wipers in precision assemblies. (372)
digital magnetics Di/ An Controls, Inc., 944 Dorchester Ave., Boston 25, Mass. Brochure entitled "Digital Magnetics" highlights the past, present and future of magnetic techniques as they relate to commercial, military and aero space equipment requirements. (373).
Low pressure transducers Taber Instrument Corp., 107 Goundry St., North Tonawanda, N.Y. Bulletin P-63254 lists low pressure transducers with overload protection. (374)
digital temperature system Riverbank Laboratories, P. O. Box 65, Geneva, III., 60134. Bulletin TSU-1 describes 100 -percent digital probe and counter for precise temperature measurement between -50 C and +125 C . (375)
megohmmeter Herman H. Sticht Co., Inc., 27 Park Place, New York 7, N.Y. Bulletin introduces model 29U Twenty Million Megohmmeter, an instrument designed to measure very high resistances, with direct reading scales, without any calculations. (376)

TRANSDUCER INSTRUMENTATION SYSTEMS Gilmore Industries, Inc., 3355 Richmond Road, Cleveland, $O$. Bulletin describes transducer instrumentation systems for measuring thrust, weight, force, pressure and flow. (377)
pISton trimmer capacitors Voltronics Corp., 296 Route 10, Hanover, N.J. Catalog No. 123 covering standard glass dielectric styles and a MIL-C14409B specification summary are available. (378)

Field-effect Transistors Siliconix Inc., 1140 West Evelyn Ave., Sunnyvale, Calif., has published a $2,000,000$ unithour reliability report on four representative field-effect transistors. (379)
silicon rectifiers Edal Industries, Inc., 4 Short Beach Road, East Haven 12, Conn. Bulletin 104 gives full operating characteristics applicable to a line of miniature, flangeless silicon rectifiers. (380)

Sample and hold amplifier Adage Inc., 292 Main St., Cambridge 42, Mass. Technical data bulletin describes the new sample and hold amplifier, model SA3. (381)

DECADE POTENTIOMETERS ESI/Electro Scientific Industries, 13900 NW Science Park Drive, Portland, Ore. 97229. Catalog sheet C-50 describes a line of Dekapot precision resistive decade voltage dividers. (382)
dvm Calibration Cohu Electronics, Inc., KinTel Division, 5725 Kearny Villa Road, San Diego 12, Calif. Calibration of production line digital voltmeters through company standards laboratories by a d-c voltage standard is the subject of technical application bulletin 5-15. (383)
commercial cooling fan Rotron Mfg. Co., Inc., Woodstock, N. Y. Designed for commercial electronic cooling applications, the Sentinel fan described in bulletin E-2810 is rugged, low in cost, and delivers up to 100 cfm of air at free delivery. (384)
solders and coatings Epoxy Products Inc.. division of Joseph Waldman \& Sons, 133 Coit St., Irvington, N. J. 07111. Six-page information bulletin on epoxy silver solders and conductive coatings is available. (385)
analog multiplier American Aerospace Controls, Inc., 123 Milbar Blvd., Farmingdale. N. Y. Product data bulletin 0164 describes performance characteristics and application notes on a new solid-state analog multiplier, MistoR model MMA-3001. (386)
advanced nuclear systems Hamner Electronics Co., Inc., P. O. Box 531 , Princeton, N. J. Nuclear systems incorporating the Moduflex line of all-solid-state instrument modules are described in a new brochure. (387)

C-w Gas Laser Watkins-Johnson Co., 3333 Hillview Ave., Stanford Industrial Park, Palo Alto, Calif. Technical bulletin covers the WJ-291 helium-neon d-c pumped gas laser with integral regulated power supply. (388)

Systems building blocks Scientific Data Systems, 1649 Seventeenth St., Santa Monica, Calif. Catalog describes a complete line of compatible systems building blocks, which includes general purpose digital computers. all-silicon logic circuit modules. amplifiers. multiplexers, A/D and D/A converters. and computer-controlled systems. (389)

MEMORY DRUM Litton Industries. Guidance and Control Svstems Division, $550 n$ Cannea Ave.. Wnodland Hills, Calif.. has puhlished a descrintive brachure on the SD-1000 memorv drum with large storage capacitv. (390)
timing devices E. W. Bliss Co., Eagle Sienal division, 736 Federal St., Davenport, Iowa, offers a bulletin entitled "Electronic Timing Devices for Military and Aerospace Programs." (391)

INTEGRATED SYSTEMS COMPONENTS Data Tech, Inc., 238 Main St., Cambridge, Mass., offers a brochure detailing its complete line of shaft encoders, bidirectional counters and rotary transformers. (392)

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HY-GAIN ANTENNA PRODDUCTS CO., of Lincoln recently expanded into a new 40,000 square foot building, and an 18,000 square foot plant addition is now on the drawing boards. Hy-Gain produces 420 models of communications antennas.

MID-WEC, INC., of Oshkosh, started in 1959, has recently opened a second plant at Gering. The company's original plant at Oshkosh was furnished by the local industrial development corporation. Mid-Wec produces capacitors and communications assemblies.

OGALLALA ELECTRONICS MANUFACTURING INC., of Ogallala, specialist in foil wound coil conductors, has expanded five times since 1961. OEMI is rapidly moving into sophisticated, precision electromagnetic focusing solenoids and laboratory electromagnetic systems.

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## PEOPLE AND PLANTS



## Californians Form New Company

A NEW communications equipment manufacturing company has been formed in San Carlos, Calif., by three former employees of Lenkurt Electric Co. The new firm, known as the Kebby Microwave Corp., will engage in the design and manufacture of microwave and other communications equipment for telephone companies, railroads, electric utilities, pipelines and other industrial users of communications.
Maurice H. Kebby, president of the new organization, was chief engineer for commercial products at Lenkurt, and more recently was manager of a special microwave project under which were produced the type 76 microwave systems.
Edward F. Tuck, vice president, was an engineer with Lenkurt for

## Connors Accepts Motorola Post

thomas J. connors has accepted the position of vice president and general manager, Motorola Semiconductor Products, Inc., subsidary of Motorola, Inc. He has also been named manager, marketing, Semiconductor Products division.

Connors, formerly with Texas Instruments, replaces R. H. Rudolph, who resigned to take the position of president and director of Glass-
seven years, working on many carrier and microwave projects. He served with Kebby on the 76 Microwave Project as production manager and later supervised the engineering development of new, high-capacity microwave equipment, as microwave development manager.

Albin R. Meier, marketing manager for the new company, served with Lenkurt for five years as technical promotion manager.

According to Kebby, special emphasis will be placed on developing equipment for commercial systems in preference to military. First efforts of the new company will be directed toward developing highperformance radio equipment that will substantially reduce the cost of microwave repeaters.

Tite Industries, Inc., Providence, R. I., producer of semiconductor packages and other electronic components.

## Roanwell Announces Plant Expansion

Roanwell Corporation, New York City, has expanded its floor space by 20,000 square feet, This represents the company's third expansion
since it was founded in 1948, and brings total operating space to 76 ,000 square feet. The latest addition will be used by the firm's Elcom department.

Roanwell designs, develops and manufactures high-quality communications equipment for use in the voice communication field. Its products are widely used throughout the naval, military and aerospace fields. The firm's Elcom department manufactures a line of precision piston trimmer capacitors used in sophisticated equipment.

The company also owns and operates Teltronics, Inc., Nashua, N. H., manufacturer of laboratory test equipment.

## Vaughan Moves Up to Chief Engineer

appointment of A. J. Vaughan as chief engineer of the Radio Corp. of America's Astro-Electronics division, Princeton, N.J., has been announced. This division built the Tiros series of weather satellites, the Relay communications satellites, and other space systems.

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Dressen-Barnes designs and manufactures d-c power supplies.

## PEOPLE IN BRIEF

R. J. McGeehan elevated to president and chief exec officer of Entron, Inc. William M. Lynch promoted by GE to $\mathrm{g}-\mathrm{m}$ of the Radio Receiver dept. Charles Hill, formerly with Ampex Computer Products, appointed mgr. of computer systems at Computer Control Co.'s Western div. Jules Lehman, previously with RCA, joins Electro-Optical Systems as mgr. of the Payloads and Imaging Systems Group. Ronald E. Frohman advances to $\mathrm{g}-\mathrm{m}$ of Telemetal Products Inc., subsidiary of Polarad Electronics Corp. James Nicol, research director, elected v-p, research, for Cryonetics Corp. Derrill M. Unruh raised to supervisor of inspection services for quality control at Electra Mfg. Co. William R. Hoover leaves Cal Tech's Jet Propulsion Laboratory to become mgr. of the L.A. div. of Computer Sciences Corp. H. H. Koppel promoted to mgr. of electrical product engineering at Bailey Meter Co. Maurice Nelles, formerly with Borg-Warner Corp., named mgr . of mfg . R\&D for the Aerospace div. of the Westinghouse Defense and Space Center. Wayne E. Phillips, from Beckman Instruments to Varian Associates as mgr. of engineering for the Vacuum Products div. G. F. Fryling moves up to chief exec officer of Erie Technological Products, replacing Marion E. Pettegrew who resigned as president and continues as a director. Philip G. Cobb advances to mgr. of Vamistor engineering of Weston Instruments and Electronics div., Daystrom, Inc. William B. Allen, exHughes Aircraft Co., appointed mgr. of engineering at Ampex Corp.'s video and instrumentation div.

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