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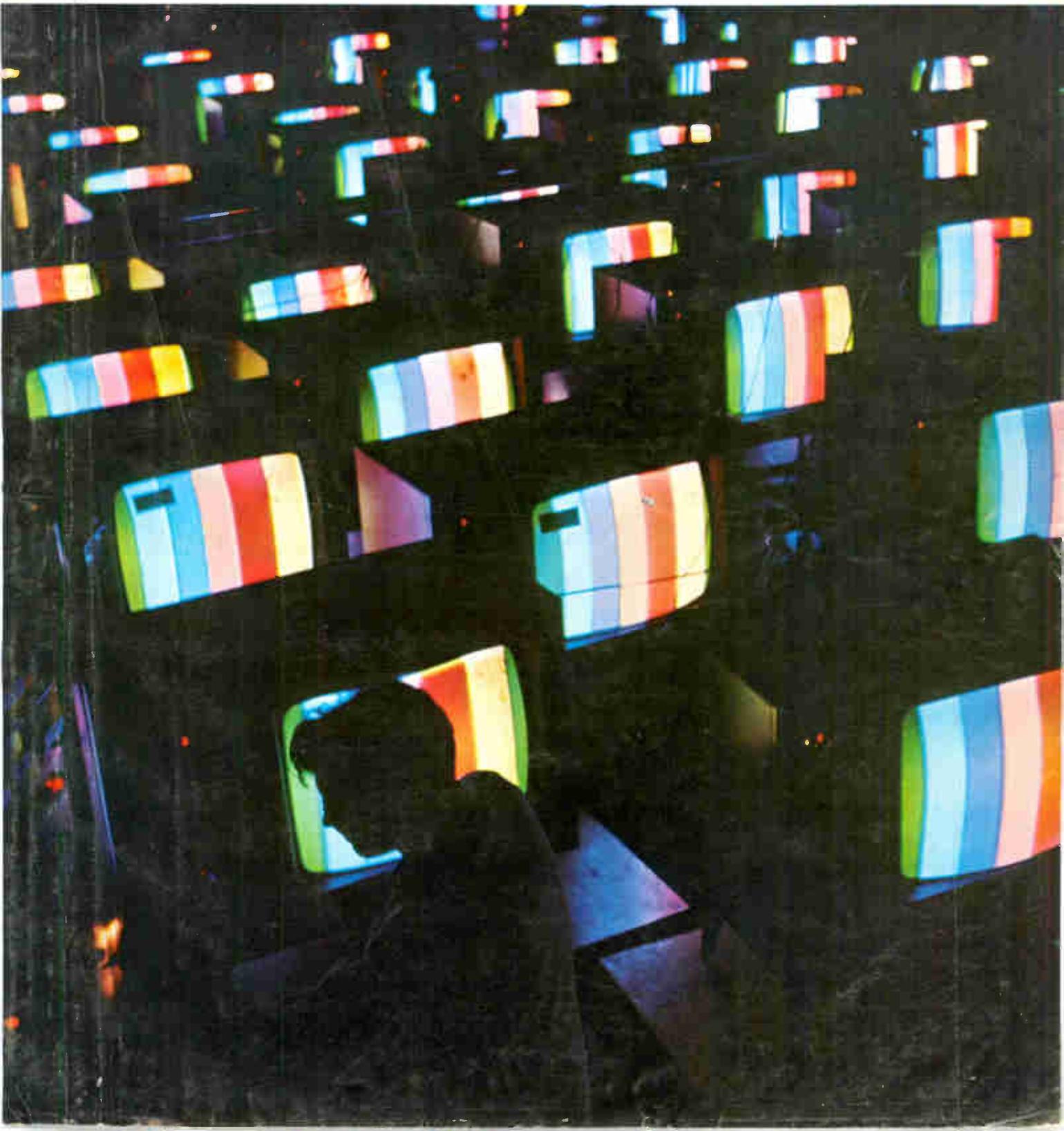
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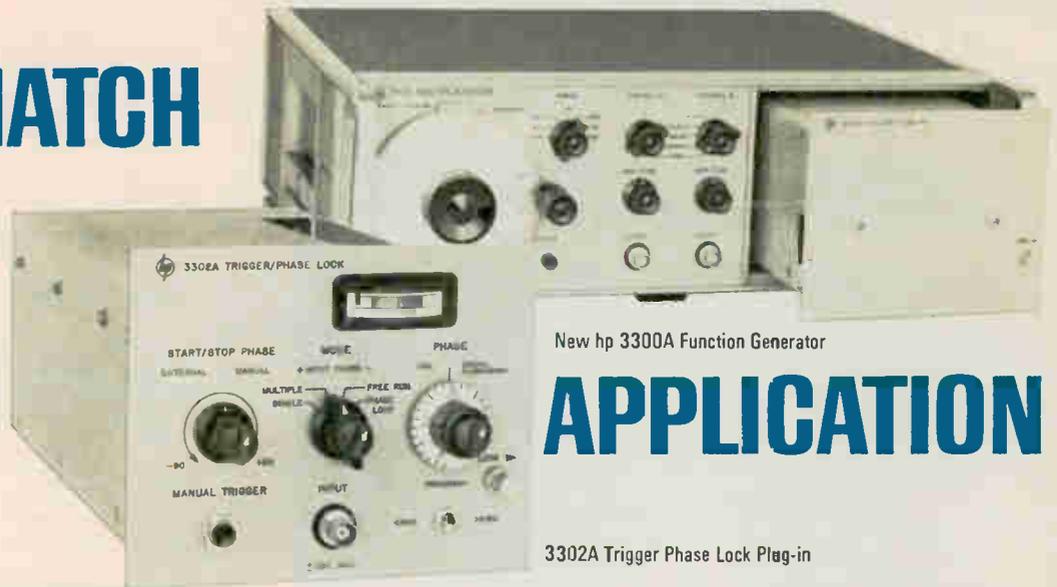
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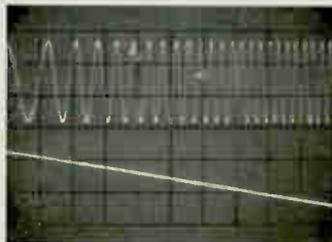
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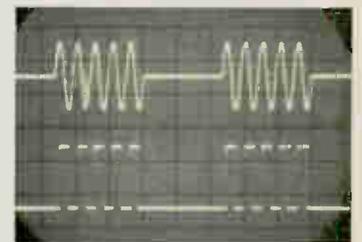
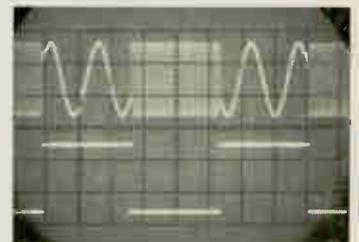
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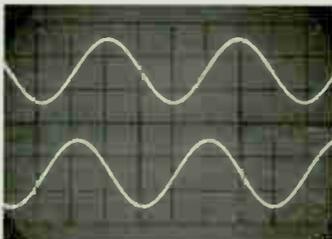


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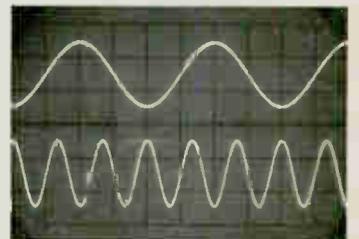


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Phase lock; output from function generator (upper trace) locked to external harmonic (lower trace).

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A minute error

To the Editor:

You said that the Perkin-Elmer Corp.'s laser tv scanner [Nov. 29, p. 29] uses a prism rotating at "60,000 revolutions per second." Didn't you mean 60,000 revolutions per minute? The latter figure equates to 1,000 rps, which, when multiplied by 16, yields the correct line rate.

Besides, a point on the periphery of a two-inch diameter cylinder rotating at 60,000 rps, would be subjected to an acceleration of 366 million G's. If your statement is correct, your headline should read, "Perkin-Elmer develops new super-strength prism material."

Warren E. Dion

Bristol, Conn.

■ Reader Dion is right. The figure should have been 60,000 rpm, not rps. In fact, any known material would be torn apart long before it reached 60,000 rps.

In case of accident

To the Editor:

In the voltage regulator with short-circuit protection, [Nov. 1, p. 68] I question if this "protection" will be in time. First, it must be noted that the output voltage must drop to approximately 1.5 volts before Q_4 will go out of saturation sufficiently to turn on Q_5 and turn off the regulator. As the output drops toward the approximate 1.5 volt turn-off output voltage, the base drives for the Q_1 and Q_2 regulator transistors increase very rapidly in an attempt to maintain the output voltage.

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Further, for space applications I would expect that the failure mode for this circuit would be un-

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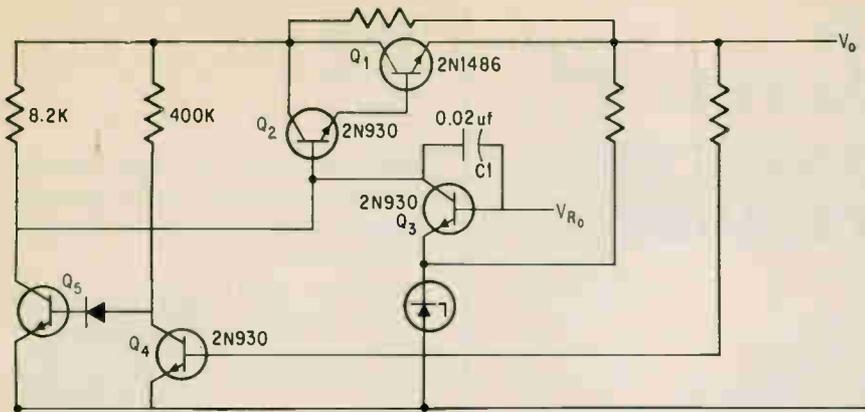


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Protection against accidental short circuits.

acceptable, as the normal Q_1 and Q_2 failure mode would be a collector-emitter short using excessive power and losing regulating and turn-off capabilities.

A. E. Terpening
Rochester, N. Y.

The author replies:

As stated in the article, the circuit will protect against accidental short circuits. It was designed for flight hardware where the expected mode of failure is an accidental short circuit across the load during the many preflight tests or during flight. It will not protect against overload or against internal shorts. The use of high gain-bandwidth transistors for Q_4 and Q_5 , with a minimum amount of biasing, enables the short circuit sensing network to turn off Q_1 and Q_2 before large currents can build up when the output is suddenly shorted.

Reader Terpening may reason that overload protection will protect against both short circuits and overload—and rightfully so; however, if protection only against output short circuits is desired, then the circuit in question is more de-

sirable as it will consume less power than a circuit which will furnish overload protection. On some flight packages only the lesser amount of protection is specified while on others overload protection is required which would preclude the use of this circuit.

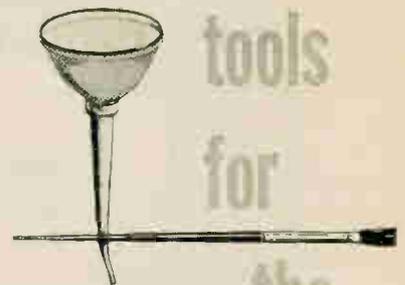
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To the Editor:
The article "Page one," [June 28, p. 156] contains a good description of the Dutch-Belgian Semaphore system. It states that the system was developed by Philips Gloeilampenfabrieken. However, only the receiver was developed by Philips, in cooperation with PTT, Post-rijsen Telefon en Telegraph, the Dutch agency that governs the post office, telephone and telegraph systems. The system and central computer control were developed solely by PTT.

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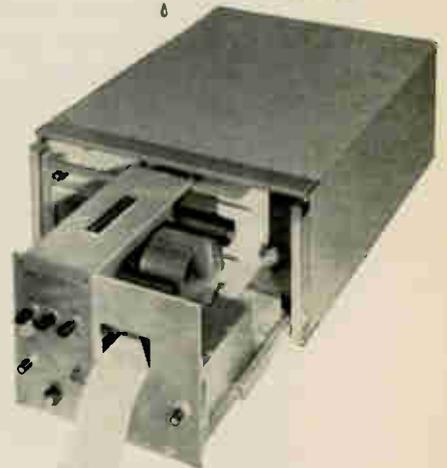
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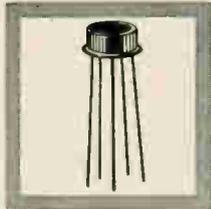
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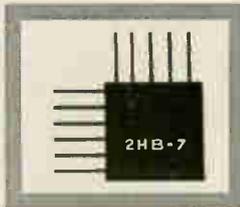


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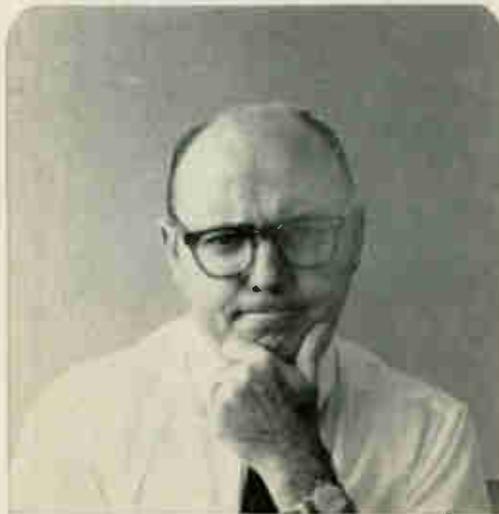
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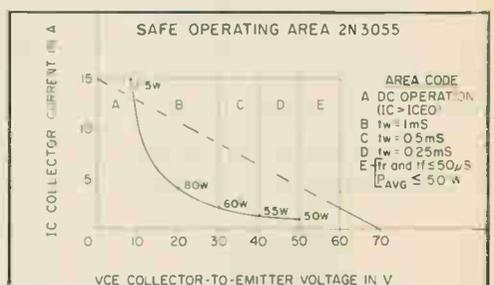
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pheric attenuation and the signal was not clean. But the skeptics are beginning to change their minds. The problems are being overcome; lasers are spreading out in all directions, and in all wavelengths. Out here we're working on a carbon-dioxide laser that develops 100 watts, continuous wave, and is about 8% efficient. In five years, you'll see all kinds of field equipment, such as laser radars, welders and surgical devices."

Katzman, 42, is interested specifically in laser radar; he believes it will be two to three years before field equipment is ready, but expects to confirm the techniques his four-man group at Electro-Optical is using by the end of 1966.

The breaking up of the wavefront, he says, is a more serious problem than atmospheric attenuation. Electro-Optical's technique is to try to compensate for phase changes so that only the attenuation problem is left.

There are two complementary approaches, he adds: a mode-locking operation that uses the laser's whole spectrum, and a technique that allow only one mode to oscillate.

[The approaches resemble the frequency-modulated and super-mode lasers described in Electronics, Sept. 20, p. 102].

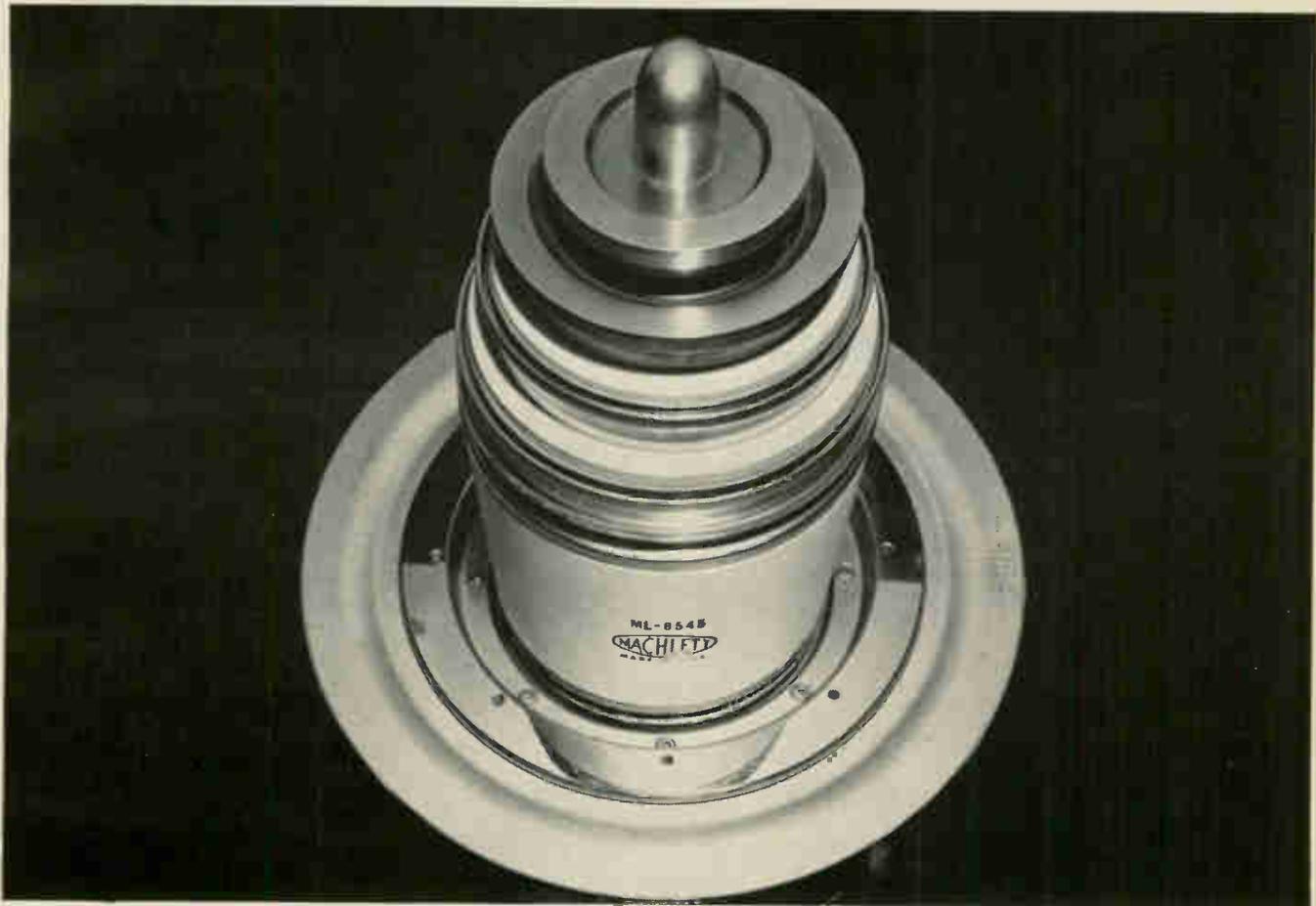
Using the whole spectrum would be useful for multiple targets, Katzman says, while the single frequency would work better for a single target. Ideally, the radar would have a switch to change from mode to mode.

The Katzman group is working with neodymium-doped glass and neodymium yttrium-aluminum-garnet lasers, at frequencies in the near-infrared.

Katzman came to Electro-Optical from the Army Electronics Laboratory at Fort Monmouth, N. J. He likes the Los Angeles area, even to the smog. "In fact," he adds, "the smog comes in handy when we're studying attenuation factors" at the company's three-mile range in Pasadena.

He received his bachelor's degree in engineering from New York University.

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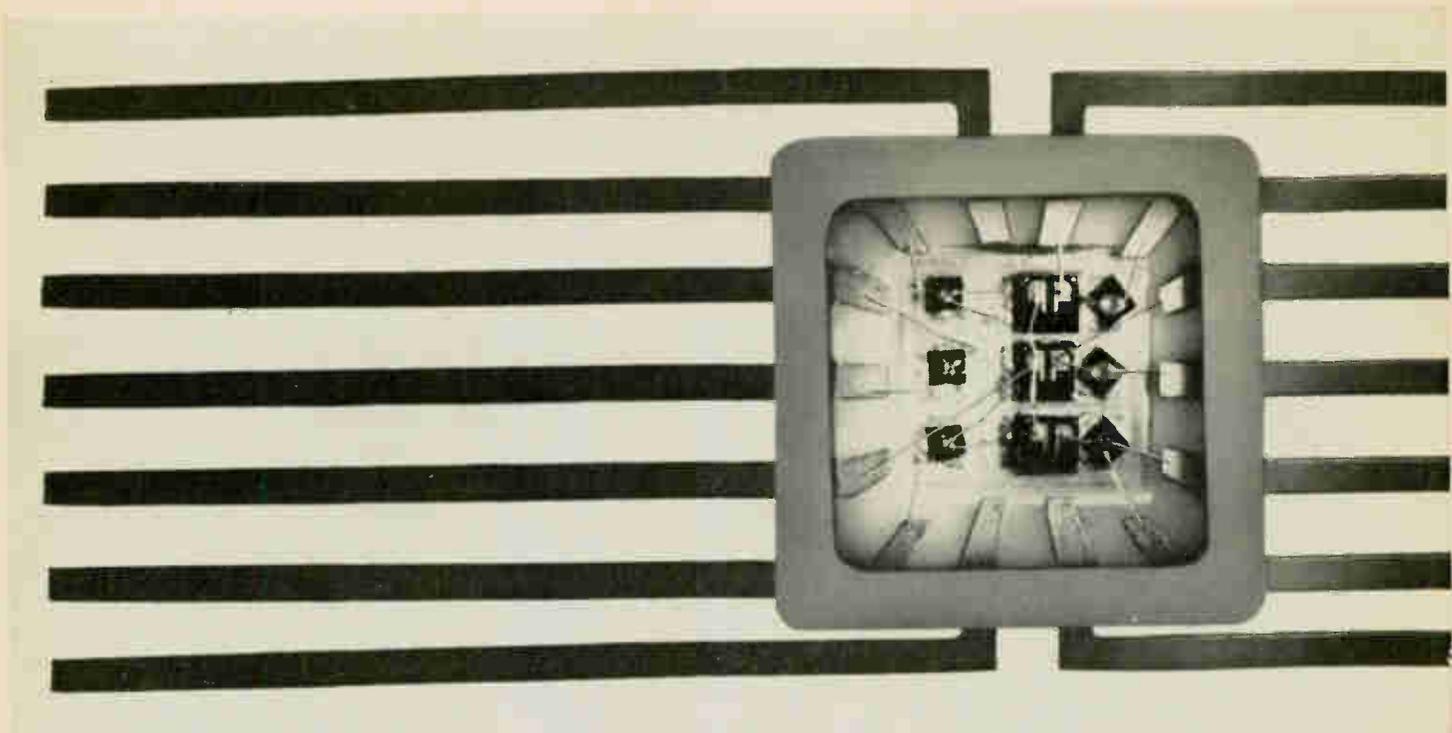
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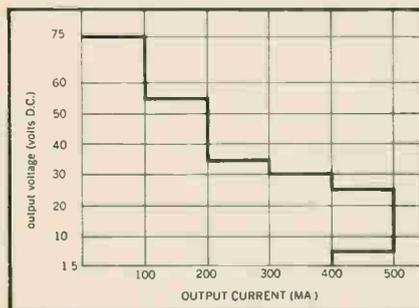
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International Symposium on Information Theory, AFOSR, IEEE; University of California, Los Angeles, Jan. 31-Feb. 2.

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Meeting preview

Components in Paris

The growth of Europe as a rich market for the electronics industry is reflected in the huge, sprawling, bustling, technical Tower of Babel known as the International Salon of Electronic Components.

Scheduled in Paris from Feb. 3 to 8, the Salon is billed as an excellent meeting ground for technical people to discuss new ideas and keep up with the latest technical advances. But visitors to the Salon should not expect to hear any major scientific papers during the show. The real purpose of the meeting is to line up new customers, tighten distribution lines, and see what the competition is up to.

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In 1965, the Salon had 859 exhibitors and 125,000 visitors. This year nearly 900 firms are expected to show wares, which will include every category of electronic component and instruments, from attenuators to zoom lenses. The show is truly international—more than half of the exhibitors come from outside France, led by firms from the United States, Germany and Great Britain. Much interest will focus on the Japanese, who exhibited at the Salon for the first time in 1965, and are showing increasing aggressiveness in the European market.

Delegations and exhibitors from Eastern Bloc nations such as Poland, East Germany, Yugoslavia and Hungary are expected back. Teams of Russian and Communist Chinese technicians will surely make the rounds.

Begun in 1934, the Salon is sponsored by the FNIE (Electronic Industries Association of France) and Sipare (Radioelectric and Electronic Components and Accessories Manufacturers Association). The second International Exhibition of Audio Equipment will be in a hall adjacent to the Salon. This features consumer electronic equipment such as radios, television sets and tape recorders.

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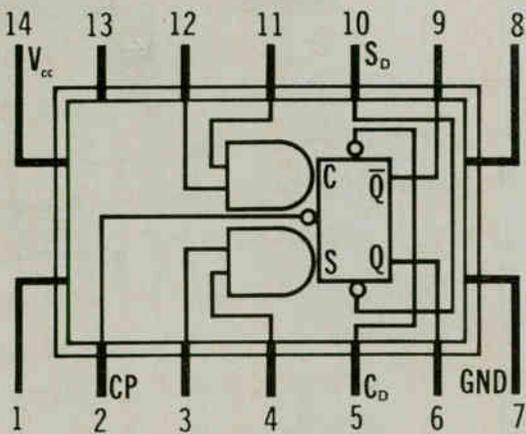


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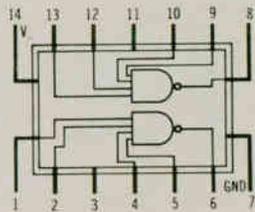
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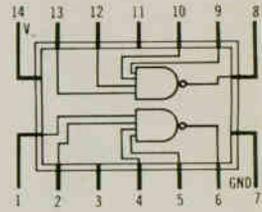


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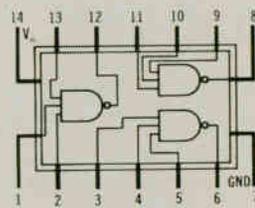
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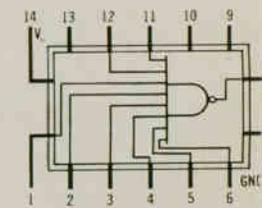
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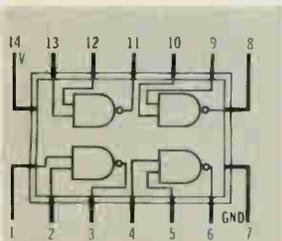
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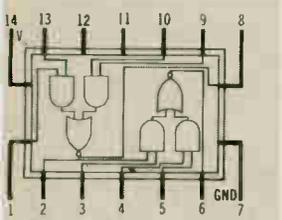
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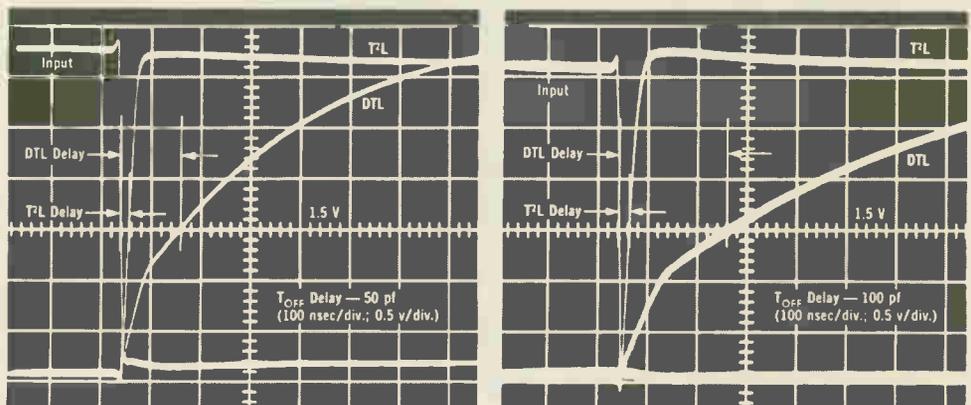


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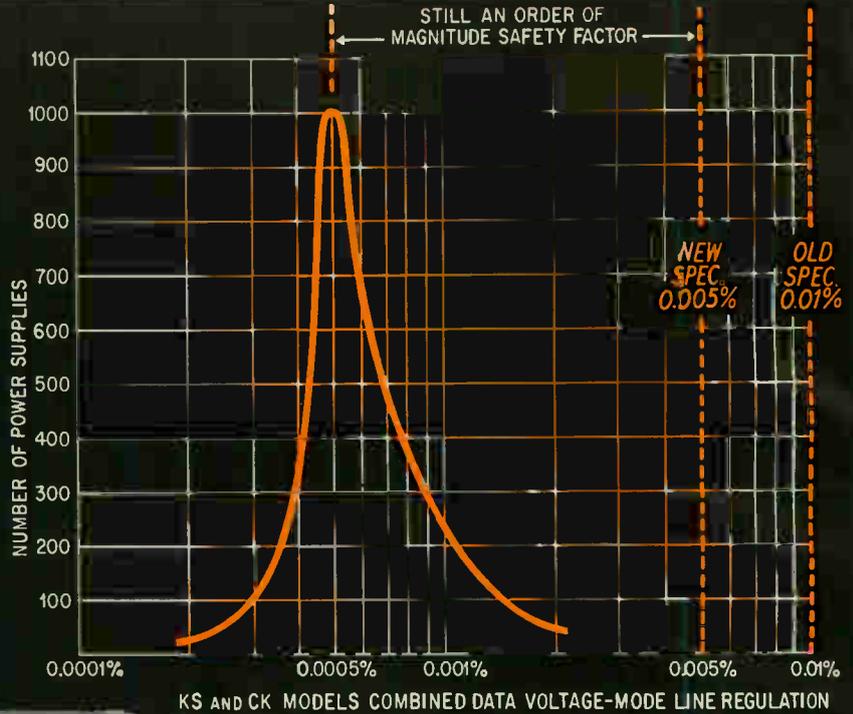
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Editorial

Rosy 1966: a time to plan?

A happy new year seems assured for most of the electronics industry.

Our annual survey (pps. 111 to 140) predicts the industry will grow 7.6% in 1966, more than three times the growth predicted in 1965. Unemployment among electronics engineers has nearly vanished, and in many geographic areas—like Los Angeles and San Francisco—the frantic recruiting drives of a few years ago are being repeated. Sharp economic pickups have benefited electronics firms and engineers in Boston and Philadelphia, two areas that were hurting this time last year.

With nearly everybody enjoying the rosy glow of good business, the temptation is to sit back and relax.

However, the good business of last year—much better than anybody expected on Jan. 1, 1965—and the prospects for even better in 1966—haven't erased some fundamental industry problems.

- Too many companies depend too much on military spending for a livelihood. There is no question that additional military buying caused by escalation of the fighting in Vietnam breathed new life into many electronics firms last year. But an armistice will end this boom. Pressure around the world is building to end the fighting. If it does end, electronics firms which supply military gear would feel the pinch quickly because most of the additional funds are going for production of equipment already developed, rather than for new developments. Such production can be quickly shut off.

- Competition from Japan, Hong Kong and Europe is slashing away at U. S. markets for consumer goods, components and semiconductors. U. S. companies can't hope to match the low labor

rates of the competition. The hope lies in automating production to the point where it matches the cost of manufacture by cheap labor, or in stepping up research activities to increase the U. S. technological lead, or in expanding development to create new products that use advanced technology or in invading areas that have never before used electronics equipment.

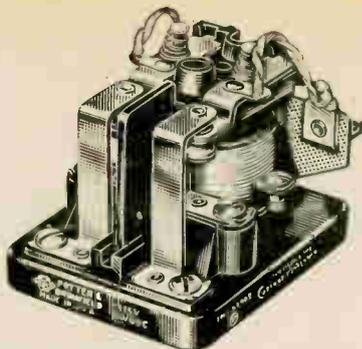
- Integrated circuits will replace discrete components in more applications than most people expect—and faster. Some component makers have to face the hard facts that giant markets they have cultivated for years are going to disappear overnight, unless they develop products that fall into the broad category of microelectronics. The facing of harsh facts is never easy. For years the manufacturers of vacuum tubes refused to recognize the growth of transistor suppliers until the makers of solid state devices had won most of the tube makers' choicest markets. Component makers could make the same mistake as IC makers grow.

Although solving any one of these problems is a gigantic task—and if a company has to face all three, its job is truly herculean—the time was never better for starting on them. In a study of diversification, for example, the Denver Research Institute concluded that the best time to diversify is when things are going well, not when business is bad. Similarly, for conducting long-range planning, introducing new research projects, and launching product-development programs, the best time is when a company is making money.

The reasons are simple. One is plain psychology. When business is good, everybody—executives and engineers—are optimistic. They have a strong motivation to start—and finish satisfactorily—new projects. Another is economic. When business turns down suddenly or sharply, only the stoutest heart will fail to slash R&D funds, thus crippling what could be a company's main line of recovery.

Clearly 1966 will be a good year for the electronics industry. The prosperity offers the best opportunity in some time for companies to diversify activities and products and to step up research and development work. And the same aura of well being gives engineers a chance to do some solid career planning, to find a niche in which they can fully employ their talents and to look forward to improvement and advancement.

1966 can be a turning point for the industry.

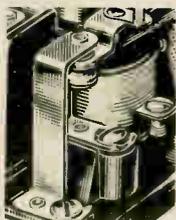


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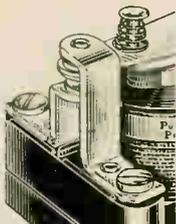
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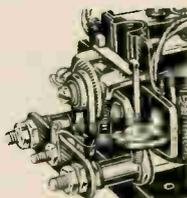
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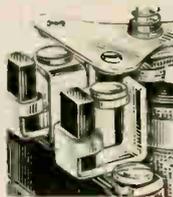


MANY STANDARD RELAYS ARE LISTED BY U/L AND CSA

A wide range of standard PR relays is listed by Underwriters' Laboratories (File E22575) and Canadian Standards Association (File 15734). CSA listing covers AC relays only. These listings can often save you time and extra expense when obtaining UL or CSA qualification for your products.

MAGNETIC ARC-QUENCHERS FURNISHED ON SOME MODELS

For DC loads over 28 VDC, PR relays with normally open contacts can be furnished with permanent magnets to quench arcs. These magnets increase the DC voltage rating to 220 volts resistive . . . and often increase the life of contacts handling DC inductive loads.



PR SERIES SPECIFICATIONS

GENERAL:

- Mechanical Life:** Single-pole, 1,000,000 (cycles); double-pole 10,000,000 (cycles).
- Contacts:** 100,000 cycles at rated load. Contact life increases at smaller loads or with appropriate arc suppression.
- Breakdown Voltage:** 1 500 volts rms minimum between all elements and ground.
- Ambient Temperature Range:** DC: -55 to +80° C. AC: -55 to +45° C.
- Weight:** Approximately 10 ozs.
- Pull-in** DC: 75% of nominal voltage (approx.) AC: 78% of nominal voltage (approx.)
- Terminals:** Heavy-duty screw type terminals are standard for coil and contacts. Available with printed circuit, plug-in, $\frac{1}{4}$ " quick connect and terminals for rear panel wiring.
- Enclosure:** PR dust cover.

CONTACTS:

- Arrangements:** Up to 2 Form C (DPDT.)
- Material:** $\frac{3}{16}$ " dia. silver standard. Other materials available for special applications.
- Load:** 25 amps non-inductive or 1 HP @ 115/230 volts AC, single phase. Special version—30 amp. non-inductive at 115/230 VAC; single phase available. (Consult factory)

COIL:

- Voltage:** AC: 6 to 440 volts. DC: 6 to 110 volts.
- Power:** DC: 2.0 watts nominal. AC: 9.8 volt-amps.
- Resistance:** 63,800 ohms maximum.
- Duty:** Continuous, AC or DC (DC coils will withstand 8 watts @ +25° C.)
- Mounting:** Two $\frac{3}{16}$ " diameter holes on 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " centers.

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January 10, 1966

Westinghouse plans IC's for auto voltage regulator

The Westinghouse Electric Corp. says it is producing a prototype of an integrated circuit voltage regulator for automobiles. The IC regulator will be competitively priced with mechanical voltage regulators now used on all autos.

The IC has a 4-ampere power transistor in series with the field of the car's alternator. The device's input circuit compares the battery voltage with a zener reference in the control circuit. When the battery voltage is too low, the power transistor is switched on; when the battery voltage is higher than the reference, the transistor is switched off.

The IC is a single 90-mil-square monolithic chip made by the silicon-planar-epitaxial process. In an earlier model, two standard chips were used, but temperature compensation became a problem and it cost more to produce.

400-loop DDC unit for British Esso

A direct digital control (DDC) system that operates more than 400 feedback loops and 12 different oil refinery processes is being built by the Foxboro Co., Foxboro, Mass. The DDC system is being designed to run an Esso Petroleum, Ltd., complex in Fawley, England. Esso is the British subsidiary of the Standard Oil Co. (N.J.).

The only other DDC system of comparable size is the Monsanto Co.'s chemical complex in Chocolate Bayou, La., but there is doubt that it has as many computer-controlled feedback loops.

The \$1.2-million Foxboro system will be made up of several computers. If one or more computers fail, others on the line will be able to provide backup service for critical controls.

Air Force balloons relay messages over the horizon

The Air Force is continuing tests on high-soaring balloons as a poor man's satellite communications system for the military.

The use of balloons as relay stations for over-the-horizon communications at ultrahigh frequencies has been successfully demonstrated by the Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratories, Bedford, Mass. At the lab's balloon-launch facility at Holloman Air Force Base, N.M., a balloon reached an altitude of 80,000 feet and stayed there for several hours, relaying voice and teletype messages between Fort Huachuca, Ariz., and Reese Air Force Base near Lubbock, Texas, a distance of 500 miles.

The balloon relay system operated like an active communications satellite. In the tests, a compact repeater, which operates at 225 to 400 megacycles, was installed in the balloon, receiving signals from one station and retransmitting them to the other.

Further tests of both tethered and free-floating balloons will be made this year. The lab says the maximum distance over which ground stations can communicate using a single balloon is about 780 miles.

Instrument makers and doctors form new organization

An organization formed in Boston seeks to close the communications gap between doctors and the instrumentation industry.

"Groups like the IEEE [Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers] and the ISA [Instrument Society of America] have failed to set up the necessary communications," says John Abele, vice president of Advanced Instruments, Inc., Newton, Mass. Abele is chairman of the manufacturers advisory board of the Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI).

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AAMI will oppose such bills as the Medical Devices Bill that was introduced in Congress last year; the aim of the bill is to put new electronic instruments through the same kind of examination that the Federal Drug Administration requires for new drugs. AAMI will take what Abele describes as a positive approach, providing a code of ethics and industry standards for medical instrumentation.

In July AAMI will sponsor a medical equipment meeting.

U. S. data network blocked by panel

Development of a nationwide system for storage and retrieval of technical information still seems to be a long way off, primarily because a White House panel that is investigating the problem is opposed to centralized control of such a system. Government spending on computer-operated systems is expected to rise to \$500 million next year from the current \$400-million annual level.

The Committee on Scientific and Technical Information (Cosati) prefers a program in which the government contributes funds to private technical libraries, engineering societies and other organizations so they can develop their own information system.

In a recent study paid for by Cosati, the Systems Development Corp., a research company, urged that a single federal agency be established to coordinate all storage and retrieval activities.

More international ventures in space?

President Johnson seems ready for more international cooperation in space. Near the end of 1965 he invited West Germany to join in programs to send spacecraft past the sun and the planet Jupiter. Early this year he will send James E. Webb, administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, to Europe to discuss joint space ventures with other countries.

The United States already is studying joint use with France of a launch site being built in French Guiana.

ESRO plans labs and school in Italy

The European Space Research Organization plans to start construction this year of three large laboratories and a university in Frascati, near Rome. The space research facility will conduct "laboratory and theoretic research on the physical and chemical bases necessary to understand past space research and to plan new space research." The 10-nation organization coordinates Europe-wide space research.

U. S. guide due on computer sales to Red nations

This year the Commerce Department is expected to draft a single set of regulations governing the sales of American-made computers to Eastern European countries. At the moment, no single agency or rule of thumb guides U.S. computer makers on such sales. Each export-license application is considered by itself, with the departments of State, Defense and Commerce all having veto power.

Many U.S. computer companies simply won't sell to the communists because of the red tape and the lack of a single guide.

The Commerce Department's Office of Export Control is considering two factors as guides: memory size and computation speed. A top permissible size of a million bits is favored, as long as the computer isn't too fast. In the past, "too fast" meant memory-cycle time of less than six microseconds. Some computer manufacturers favor lowering the limit to less than three microseconds.

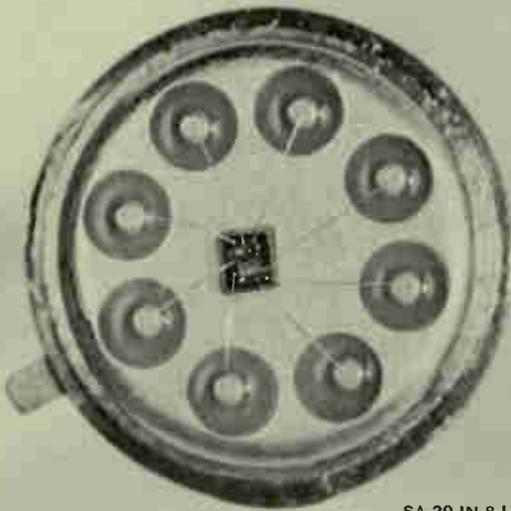
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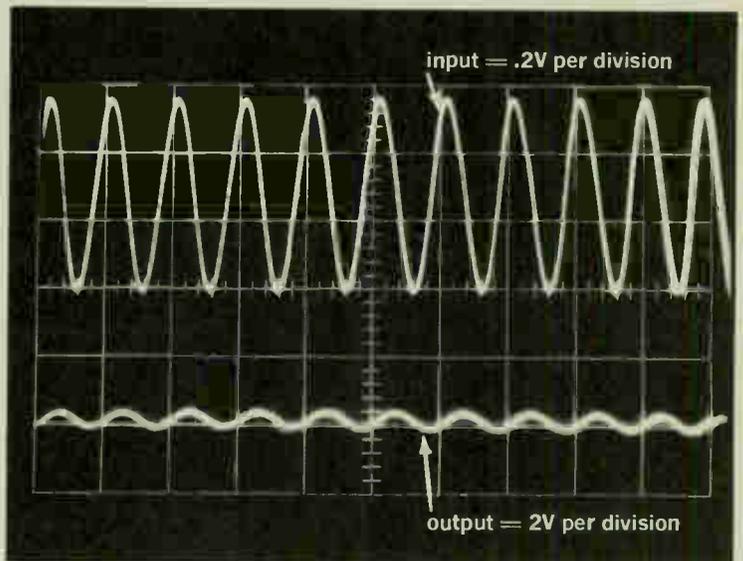
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INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

100mc linear amplifier for high-gain wide bandwidth information transmission



SA-20 IN 8-LEAD TO-5



Introduction of the IC linear amplifier, with 20 db typical gain, immediately follows earlier announcement of Sylvania's unusually effective SA-10 sense amplifier. News on further additions to Sylvania's line of amplifiers will be forthcoming shortly.

Now there's an integrated circuit amplifier with broad problem-solving versatility. Whether the problem is in driving low impedance loads, avoiding large signal clipping or cross-talk, or in achieving a broad frequency response with flat gain, Sylvania's SA-20 can well be the logical solution.

The strong capabilities of this wideband linear amplifier lie in the device's outstanding combination of features. These include -65 db intermodulation (harmonic) distortion, externally variable gain-bandwidth and phase shift, 1.6k input impedance, output voltage 14Vp-p swing, and less than 10ns pulse response.

Apropos of this point, one of the possible uses of the Sylvania wide-band amplifier is as a pulse 10-times amplifier. The scope trace shown here indicates the fast pulse response that the SA-20 makes possible.

There are several practical instances where this device can be the answer: *Avoiding cross-talk* between information channels is now possible with the Sylvania wideband linear amplifier. Because of its -60 db second harmonic, -75 db third harmonic intermodulation product, cross-talk can be sufficiently reduced to avoid the problem, especially critical in multiplexing and telemetry applications.

Driving low impedance loads is a special capability of the SA-20, the result of its own low output impedance of less than 5 ohms. Examples of this might be in driving a 50-ohm cable or a transformer. For matching

higher impedance loads for maximum power transfer, the output impedance
(continued)

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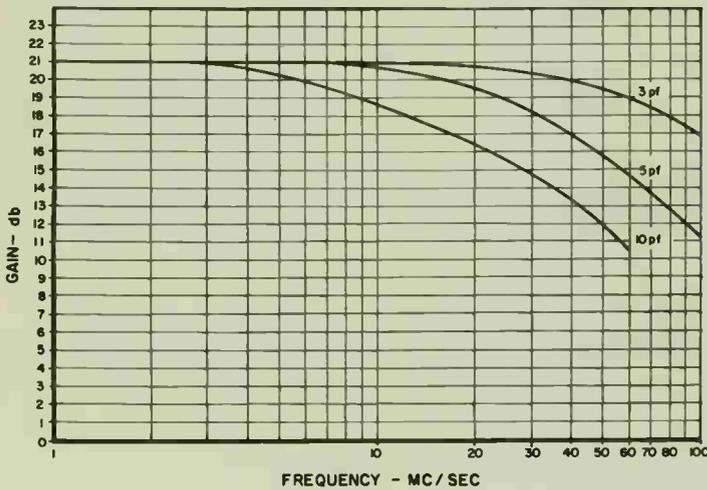
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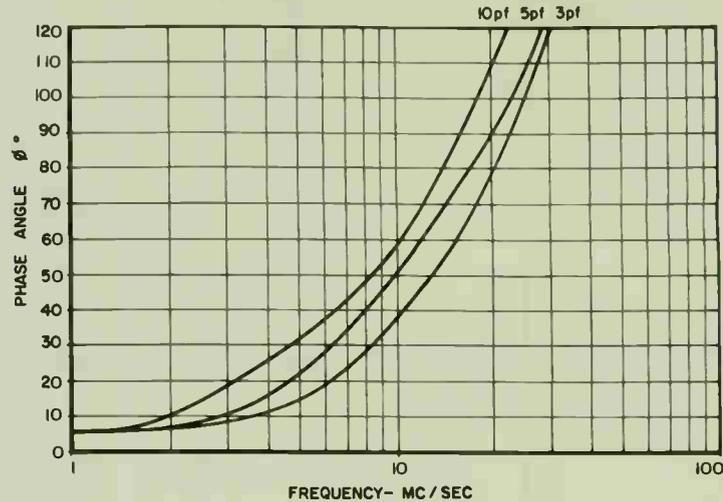
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PHASE RESPONSE VS FREQUENCY FOR VARIOUS FEEDBACK CAPACITANCE



can be varied with an external resistor. This is a desirable feature since the total output impedance then depends on a passive component which will remain stable over frequency and temperature excursions.

Large signal clipping can be avoided because this Sylvania amplifier circuit is designed for 14Vp-p output signal swing. The SA-20 answers the need in large signal amplifying to know beforehand just how large a signal may be produced.

Attaining a broad frequency response with flat gain is simplified with this linear amplifier. The fre-

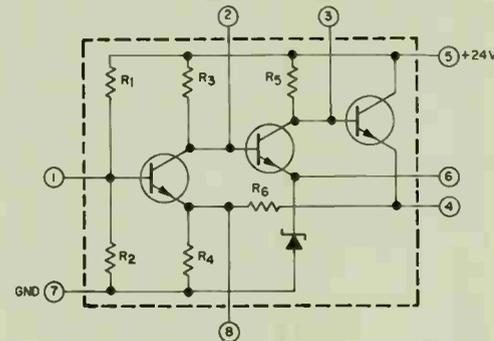
quency response of a wideband linear amplifier limits the frequency range over which the amplifier may be used. The -3 db frequency of Sylvania's SA-20 is largely determined by the size of the external feedback capacitor placed between the collector and the base of the second stage, as shown on this page. Since the frequency and phase response of the amplifier may be altered with external feedback networks, it is possible to make the amplifier frequency selective, simply by replacing the feedback capacitor with a suitable bandpass filter.

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SA-20 Typical Electrical Characteristics

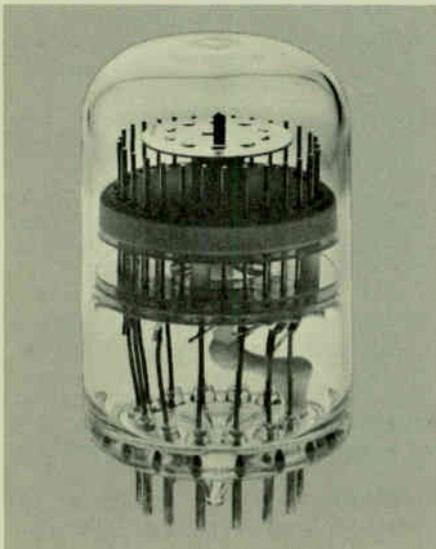
Power Supply	+24 volts
Voltage Gain	21 db
Input Impedance	1.6K
Output Impedance	5 ohms
Max. Output Voltage Swing	14 volts p-to-p
3 db Frequency Response	100 mc: 17 db 30 mc: 20 db
2nd order Intermodulation Product Po = 0 dbm	-65 db
3rd order Intermodulation Product Po = 0 dbm	-75 db

SYLVANIA WIDEBAND LINEAR AMPLIFIER



COUNTER TUBES

A tube that counts, clocks and displays —perfect for slot car tracking



The axiom that a manufacturer knows all there is to know about his products isn't always true. He may be in for a surprise when he sees how a design engineer has interpreted a product's capabilities. Here's an instance where Sylvania was surprised to find that one of its electron tubes has actually furthered a fad.

The type 8353 is a remarkable cold cathode tube. It's a bidirectional decade counter tube that reads out from the top. It can compute, scale, count, frequency divide, code, modulate. And it matrixes, indexes, multiplies, adds and subtracts.

Now these long-life tubes also

count laps in slot car races, clock the cars and rank them as they cross the finish line. Sylvania counter tubes do this as vital parts of a new economical high-reliability computer used at several Miniature Grand Prix Racing Centers. The unit is connected to both the power supply and the track. Then as soon as the race begins, the timer with Sylvania's Type 8353 tubes begins to record the performance of as many as eight competing scale model racing cars as they zip through races of as many as 999 laps.

At the end of the race the counter tubes indicate the elapsed time in hundredths of a second for each car,

the number of laps per car and the sequence of the cars as they cross the finish line. The tubes can continue to display the information in a bright yellow-red until the race master decides it's time for the next race.

This new computer is a large advancement over older types that required considerably more circuitry, needed a separate scoreboard, and cost considerably more to manufacture. This highly efficient, more economical version reads out directly from the unit while working from simplified solid-state circuitry.

The Type 8353 tube that simulta-

neously counts and reads out is designed to operate at inputs up to 4000 pulses per second. Its 10 cathodes are brought out to individual base pins. Readout is done by observing the position of the glow.

Sylvania's counter tube designs provide for operation rates up to 100 Kpps. These include low-speed types having an operating frequency range of 0-4 Kpps and high-speed types which operate at 0-100 Kpps.

Since the actual counting is done by the counter tube, all associated circuitry is relatively simple, limited to whatever may be required for shap-

ing and amplifying the input signal.

The Type 8353 tube is an extremely reliable device that offers hundreds of hours of trouble-free operation. The tube reads out in a pleasing yellow-orange, not the dark orange associated with older-style counter tubes. This improved readability is the result of a new gas additive within its glass envelope. The same new inert gas mixture also improves the tube's standby life, i.e. its ability to operate on a single segment for a prolonged period of time.

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CRTs

How preadjusted high-resolution CRT saves downtime, trouble and man hours



sists of the tube, deflection coil, alignment magnets and mu-metal shield. A front-end mounting plate is also provided.

Like other self-contained units in the product line, this complete plug-in assembly unit is suited to any application requiring high-resolution flying spot scanning, photographic recording or video recording. And all units are equally useful to display designers as well as users.

Installation and servicing are easy with these preassembled devices. They're installed by nontechnical personnel quickly and easily. Without any further alignment or adjustment necessary, they just need to be plugged in. That's all.

If servicing is ever needed, the assembly is disconnected and removed just as quickly. To save downtime, another unit can be inserted in a matter of minutes. Engineering time and costs are cut to the absolute minimum. And because components are prealigned, there's the quickest possible optimum resolution.

Other Sylvania packaged assemblies include the AT-SK-6000, designed for use with electrostatic focus tubes such as the 5ZP, another 5" high-resolution CRT.

Still another, the AT-SK-5053 assembly is supplied with the 10" SC-3890 or any of these 5" CRTs: 5CEP, 5ZP, SC-2782, SC-2809 or SC-3168.

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An engineer with a large manufacturer of electronic equipment told us that he learned a valuable lesson last month. Seems the 5" cathode ray tube in his department's video recording apparatus was obviously on its last legs. Having a spare 5CEP tube on the shelf, he had a couple of technicians and a tube engineer make the replacement. "Much more than we bargained for," he told us. "By the time we disassembled, replaced, reassembled, focused and aligned, al-

most a full day was shot. If we hadn't had a tube engineer on hand, it would've taken another 2 or 3 hours." With a minimum of expense and a little foresight they could easily have saved a lot of trouble, downtime and man hours.

One of Sylvania's preadjusted, prealigned, high-resolution CRT assemblies is especially designed, manufactured and packaged with a 5CEP (5") tube. The complete plug-in assembly, the AT-SK-6003/5CEP, con-

A versatile line for choppers, clippers, logic circuits and high-frequency detectors

The many types that make up Sylvania's silicon epitaxial diode (DF-22) product line are all high-conductance, fast-switching devices with characteristics that especially suit them for logic circuits, high-frequency detectors, clippers and choppers. They're available now for use in the industrial, military computer and consumer product fields.

The design engineer's major reason for specifying a silicon diode from the DF-22 family is the combination of reliability with high-performance levels over a long period of time. DF-22 reliability is enhanced by the solid silver sphere which Sylvania deposits on every epitaxial chip to assure forward current stability.

Using stringent in-process controls, Sylvania is able to provide silicon epitaxial diodes that meet, and often exceed, MIL tests which include constant acceleration, temperature cycling and moisture resistance. In addition, Sylvania subjects DF-22's to a 4500-g shock test, far beyond usual MIL test requirements.

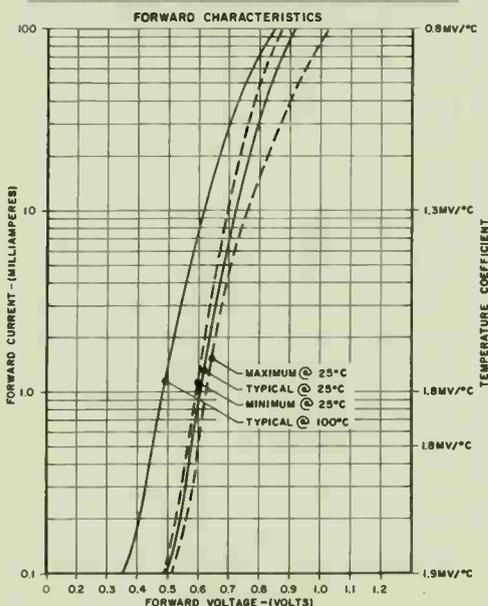
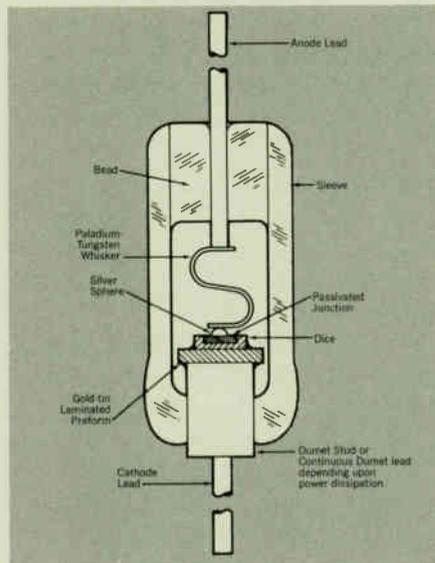
These same silicon epitaxial units must also surpass MIL requirements for ion drift testing, a reverse bias test at considerably elevated temperatures. All lots showing any evidence of free ions on the surface which might conceivably move about and upset delicate systems are rejected. This is an important additional evidence of reliability in Sylvania diodes.

Some random examples of QA-approved DF-22 units and the specs they meet are: Jan 1N251 (MIL-S-19500/188A), Jan 1N662 (-/256B), Jan 1N663 (-/256B), and USN 1N3064 (-/144A).

Another significant reason why there's reliability throughout Sylvania's entire DF-22 family is batch processing. Here thousands of compatible diodes are fabricated simultaneously assuring a uniformity of characteristics from product to product.

All units are supplied with either dumet stud for high current requirements or with a continuous dumet lead for lower current applications.

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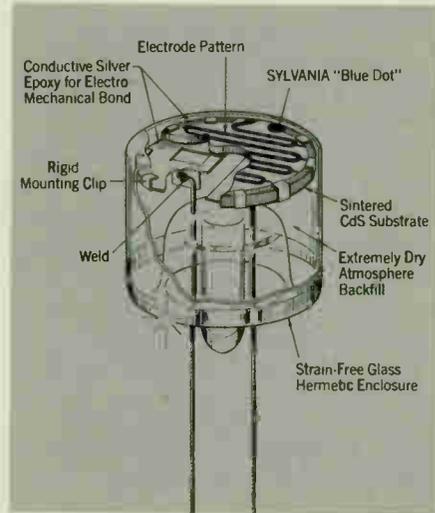


Type	Maximum Peak Reverse (volts)	Forward Current @ 1.0V (ma)	Maximum Reverse Current		V _R (V)	Temp °C	Reverse Recovery Time Recover to 1 ma @ I _F =I _R =10 ma (ns max.)	Cap. @ 0 V (pf)	
			I _R @ 25°C and V _R (μA)	I _R @ Temp and V _R (μA)					
*1N251	30	5	.1	10	10	10	125	150	1
1N252	20	10	.1	5	10	5	125	150	1
1N659	60	6	5	60	25	60	100	300	5
1N815	15	100 @ 1.5V	.5	5	10	5	125	250	3
1N903	50	10	.1	40	10	40	100	4	1.5
1N903A	50	20	.1	40	10	40	100	4	1.5
1N904	50	10	.1	30	10	30	100	4	1.5
1N904A	50	20	.1	30	10	30	100	4	1.5
1N905	25	10	.1	20	10	20	100	4	1.5
1N905A	25	20	.1	20	10	20	100	4	1.5
1N906	25	10	.1	20	10	20	100	4	3
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1N908A	50	20	.1	40	10	40	100	4	3
1N914	100	10	.025	20	50	20	150	4	4
1N914A	100	20	.025	20	50	20	150	4	4
1N914B	100	100	.025	20	50	20	150	4	4
1N916	100	10	.025	20	50	20	150	4	2
1N916A	100	20	.025	20	50	20	150	4	2
1N916B	100	30	.025	20	50	20	150	4	2
1N3062	75	20	.1	50	100	50	150	2	1
1N3063	75	10 @ 85V	.1	50	100	50	150	4	2
*1N3064	75	10	.1	50	100	50	150	4	2
1N3070	200	100	.1	175	100	175	150	50	5
1N3069	65	50	.1	50	100	50	150	5	
1N3600	75	200	.1	50	100	50	150	4	3
1N3605	40	20 @ .88V	.05	30	50	30	150	4	2
1N3669	80	40 @ 1.1V	.05	50				200	10
1N3771	100	100	.05	50	50	50	150	3	2
1N4009	35	30	.1	25	100	25	150	120	25
1N4086	80	200	.25	70				200	1
1N625	30	4 @ 1.5V	1	30	20		150	1000	
1N626	50	4 @ 1.5V	1	30	35		150	1000	
1N627	100	4 @ 1.5V	1	30	75		150	1000	
*1N662	80	10	1	20	10	10	150	.5	
*1N663	80	100	5	5	50	75	150	.5	
1N799	100	50	5	5	25	25	100	600	
1N409Z	50	5	5	5	5	20	70	1000	

*Types available to Mil Spec

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS	
Average Rectified Current, I ₀	75 ma
Peak Forward Current, I _{PK}	225 ma
Forward Surge Current (8.3 μ sec)	500 ma
Power Dissipation, P _T	250 mw
Storage Temperature, T _A	-65°C to +200°C

How a rugged T-4 line withstands 300-g impact shocks



Ruggedness, a characteristic not always associated with photoconductors, can indeed be built into these devices. Sylvania has proved it. What had often disenchanted many design engineers previously was not merely performance, but mechanical weaknesses like inherent glass fragility, insufficient hermeticity or poorly supported internal construction. Here's news on the industry's first truly ruggedized T-4 photocell line.

Now there's a line of T-4 photoconductors that withstands 300-g impact shocks and 2.5-g vibrations over extended periods. This high degree of immunity to outside strain has enabled industrial equipment manufacturers to mount Sylvania 1/2-inch cells directly on machines where other devices had been short-lived.

It also qualifies them for aviation and aerospace applications where similar products had been below acceptable standards.

A combination of features makes for this ruggedness. First, all Sylvania glass envelopes are both strain-free and hermetically sealed. Vital too, is the tightness of the entire structure inside the glass, a factor that contributes heavily toward the cell's ability to remain highly immune to shock and vibration in g-level situations.

In addition, Sylvania builds a strong epoxy bond between the cell's wafer and supporting clip. Electrodes are also epoxied to the leads. This is a high-conductivity epoxy with a high silver content.

Sylvania cells are subjected to polariscopic tests for tension and com-

pression to insure that reliability will be present over a broad range of mechanical and thermal conditions.

Hermeticity of these rugged units is assured by the famous Sylvania Blue Dot, applied to the edge of the light-sensitive wafer. With only 0.02% moisture the dot turns pink thus forewarning of degradation in performance before the trouble starts.

These 1/2-inch-diameter end-view cells combine high sensitivity with a power dissipation capability of 300 milliwatts and maximum rated operating voltage of 400 volts. Thus it is understandable why they have already solved many power-handling problems. And they meet power dissipation requirements in light-controlled relay usage where the light sensor directly operates a relay.

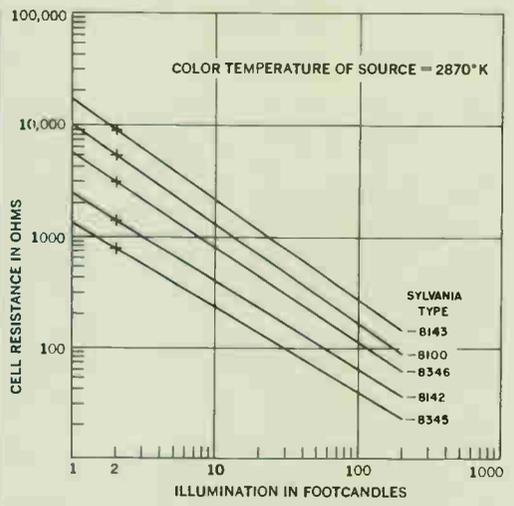
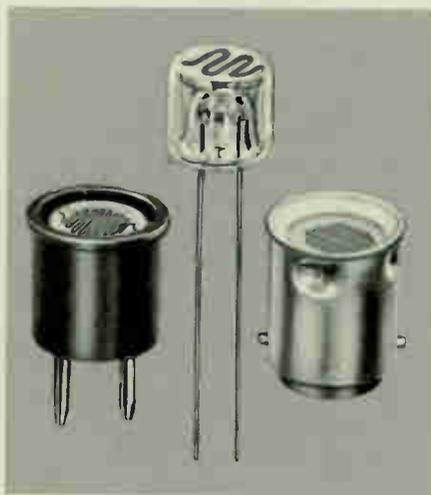
The Sylvania Type 8345 photoconductor, for example, can safely handle a current of 38 milliamperes at a

light level of 10 foot-candles. This is several times the current required to actuate a relay of medium sensitivity. The comparatively low resistance of the photoconductor when illuminated permits it to be used with a power source of only a few volts in many applications. The operating voltage may be either ac or dc.

The standard line of high-sensitivity cells consists of five basic types, each of which is available in three different physical configurations (see outline drawings). The circuit designer can choose from light resistance values covering the range from 750 ohms to 16,000 ohms (at 2 foot-candles). The corresponding dark resistances are 75,000 ohms to 1.6 megohms, a 100-to-1 ratio.

All of the five basic types in the Sylvania T-4 line use cadmium sulfide as the light-sensitive material.

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T-4 PHOTOCONDUCTOR DATA

Type	Cell Voltage (Volts) ^{1,2}	Light Resistance (Ohms) ³	Dark Resistance (Megohms) ⁴	Cell Dissipation (Milliwatts at 25°C)	Shock Impact Acceleration (G) ^{1,5}	Vibration Fatigue (G) ^{1,6}
8100 8100-1 8100-7	400	5000	0.5	300	300	2.5
8142 8142-1 8142-7	400	1500	0.2	300	300	2.5
8143 8143-1 8143-7	400	9000	0.9	300	300	2.5
8345 8345-1 8345-7	400	750	0.075	300	300	2.5
8346 8346-1 8346-7	400	3000	0.3	300	300	2.5

- NOTES: 1. Absolute maximum values.
 2. Measured with cell in complete darkness at a pulse rate of 100 pps, 100 μsec. duration. Voltage in excess of the rated value may damage the cell. Max. DC voltage is limited by max. dissipation and min. dark resistance rating.
 3. Illumination 2 FC. Color temperature 2870°K for all. Measured after 60 minutes minimum exposure to approximately 50 FC illumination (ambient room light).
 4. Minimum. Measured in complete darkness at least 10 seconds after removal of 2 FC illumination.
 5. 1 micro sec. duration (MIL-E-IE-Method 1041).
 6. Vibration acceleration for extended periods (MIL-E-IE-Method 1031).

Announcing a GaAs microwave oscillator

The gallium arsenide varactor has been long considered a "conventional" microwave device. But now here's news of an exciting new mode of varactor operation that will be of special interest to microwave design engineers.

You can now get microwave energy from a varactor diode using dc power inputs. Sound impossible? It seemed that way until Sylvania's recent announcement of a new gallium arsenide unit, the D-5540, a reverse breakdown oscillator diode. Sylvania has named this varactor the MOD (microwave oscillator diode).

The MOD, the first diffused junction GaAs microwave diode of its type, actually can generate microwave power in Ku-band between 12 GHz and 14 GHz with 0.2 to 2 percent efficiency with more than 1 mw

output power. The unit is biased in the avalanche breakdown region of the I-V characteristics. Sylvania is now making the D-5540 available in sample quantities as an experimental device.

Among the unit's known areas of application are local oscillators for microwave receivers, low-power beacons, signal and noise generators.

Test circuits used by Sylvania for rapid screening of diodes for oscillation and for accurate output power measurements and analysis are shown on this page. The test diode was driven by a reverse biasing 60 Hz half-sine-wave voltage into the avalanche breakdown. Oscillation of the diode was detected by a crystal detector, the output voltage of which was connected to the vertical deflection of an oscilloscope.

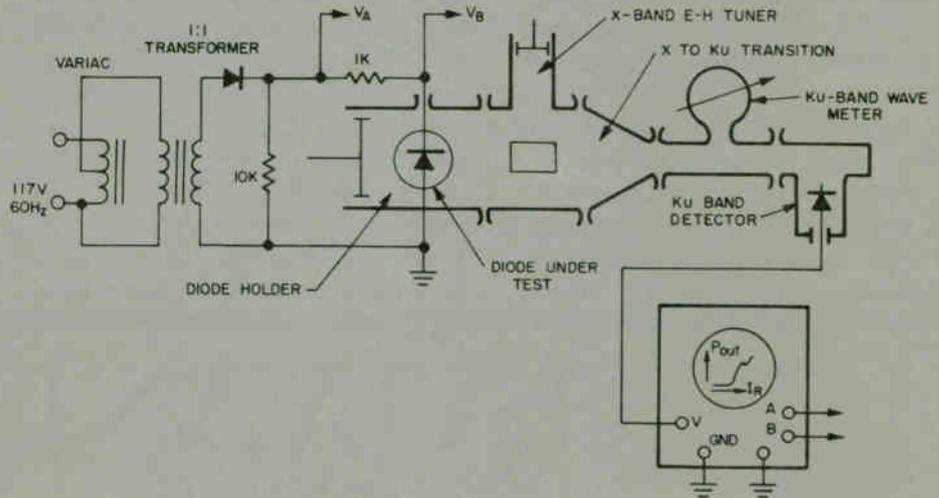
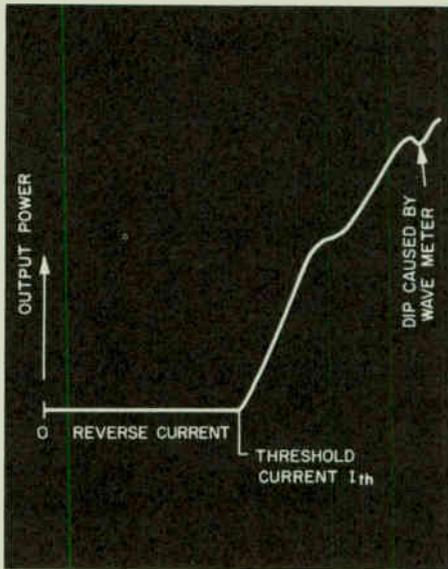
Horizontal deflection was supplied by the voltage across the 1K series resistor. Voltage was proportionate to the bias current of the diode. The resulting display on the oscilloscope gave the output power of the diode oscillator versus bias current. The output power was displayed as function of V_S , the bias voltage across the test diode.

There will be more news on oscillating varactors from Sylvania in future issues of IDEAS.

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Some questions and answers

What is Marketing Services? Where does it fit in the complexity of today's marketing activity? For the sake of quick definition, its role can best be defined as one of coordination—the interrelationship of advertising, public relations, man-power development, market research and planning. This interrelationship evolves not necessarily for the company under whose auspices such a function exists, but more for the customer to whom the company has an obligation and responsibility.

What's in MS for me? At Sylvania, the role of Marketing Services is a very important adjunct to overall customer-oriented planning. Recently, Bob Lynch, our Vice President of Marketing, discussed the philosophy behind the Sylvania ECG concept and the customer advantages of offering multiple product lines and technical assistance. The mantle of direction for engineering and production facilities falls to the Marketing Services group to have, in advance of customer requirements, the right product at the right place and at the right price.

What about new products? Marketing Services anticipates through analysis and study, both in semiconductors and vacuum tubes, the future needs of customers, the life span of

individual product lines, and the emergence of new products. All factors involving application and cost are considered.

How does this apply to integrated circuits, for instance? New markets, the vitality in this dynamic electronics industry, are carefully appraised and their rate of acceleration and maturing evaluated. Integrated Circuits is a prime example. Careful evaluation is made of where this product line is going, what components it will replace, as well as what the market applicability will be and how fast the maturing process will take.

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Does my opinion count? At Sylvania, perhaps one of our prime sources of input data is the customer. An effective Marketing Services operation cannot be generated, maintained, or long remain effective without the proper attitude. What is best for the customer? We recognize that to retain a position of leadership requires sensitivity to the needs of customers even before the customer recognizes that need.

Where do R&D and Production fit into the picture? Engineering and research facilities are constantly dedicated to the future demands of products yet unborn and to improving specifications and existing designs. The results of these analyses have their corresponding effects in the manufacturing area where conclusions of Marketing Services must be transformed into concrete production facilities—the factories that will be necessary, the locations to best serve distribution requirements, and the capability and capacity to produce a product when it is needed.



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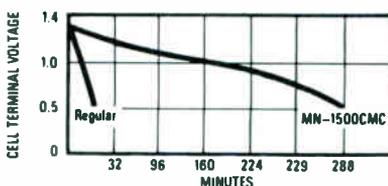


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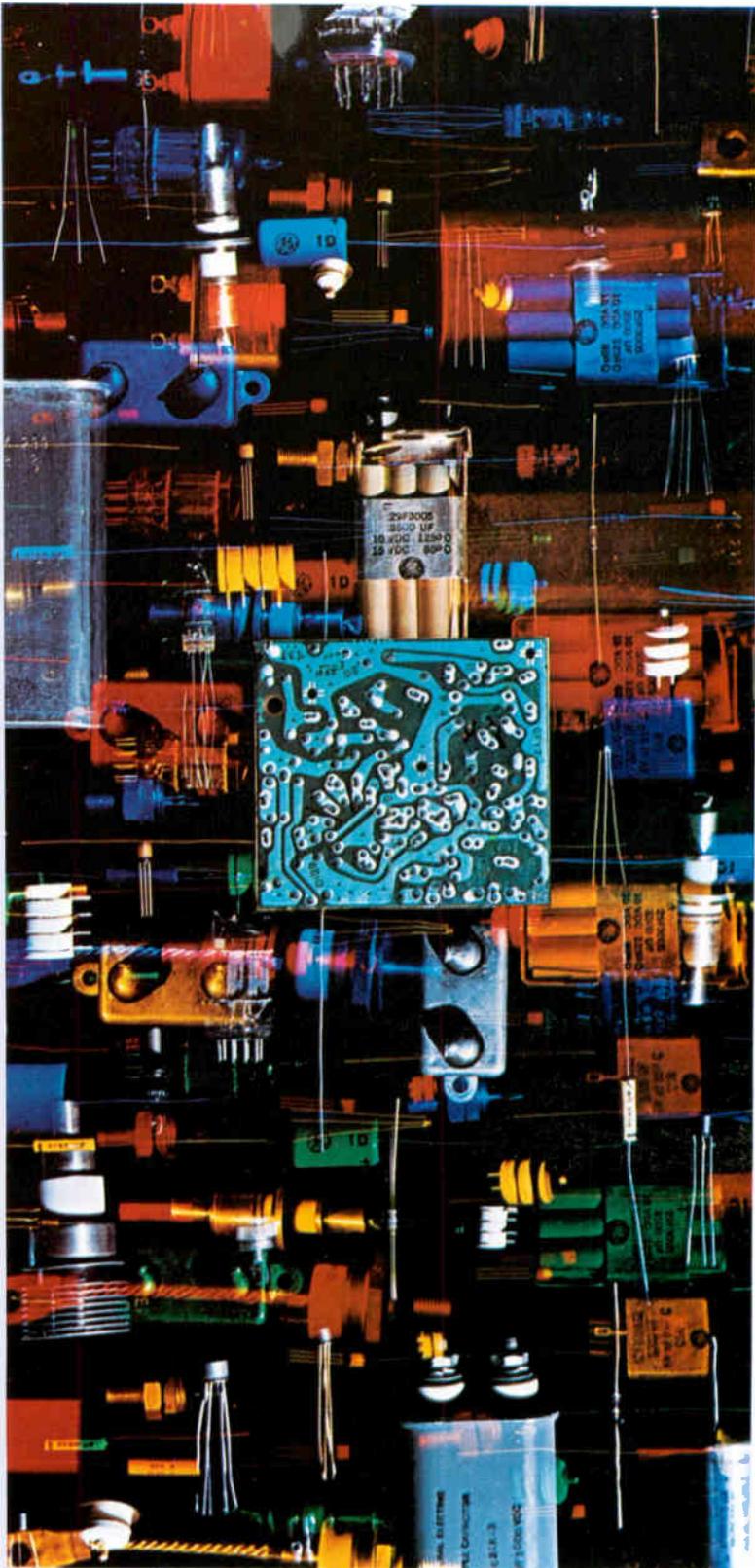
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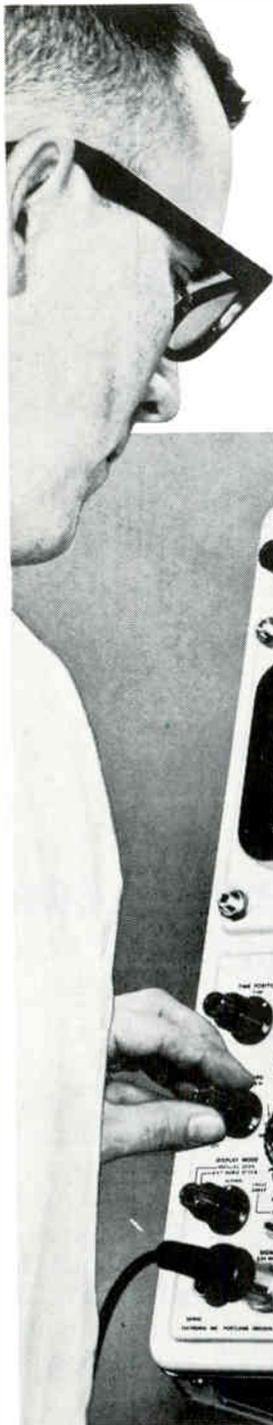
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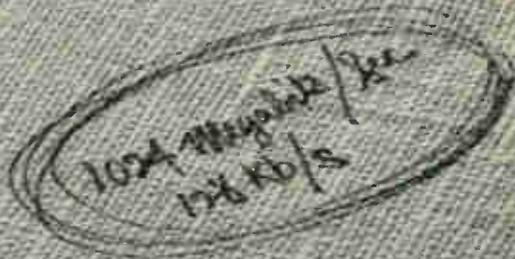
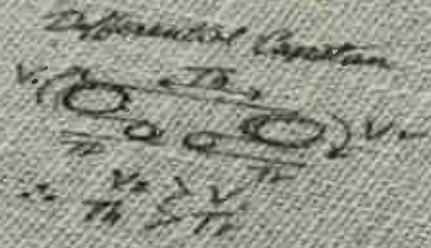
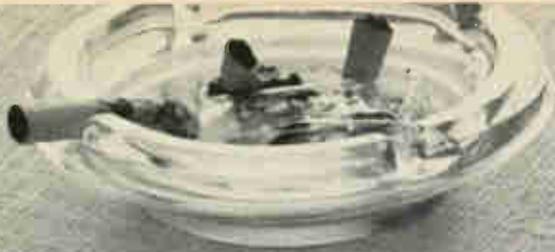
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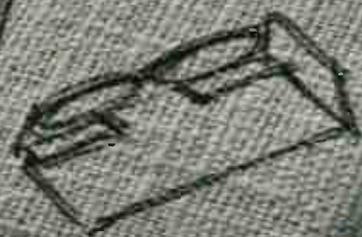
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Eventually, the center hopes to build computer models of the human physiological system, although this is "still pretty far out," Hill says. Such models, for example, would enable a doctor to obtain information about a patient's reaction to a drug by trying it out on the computer model first.

Military electronics

Shopping list

The Air Force will spend millions of dollars over the next two years for new battlefield radar and communications equipment to replace

as the TPS-43, will replace the MPS-11 and 16 that are now in the field.

The contract will be awarded by the Air Force Electronic Systems division, Hanscom Field, Mass., through the 407L program office. The 407L program, a \$50-million-a-year operation, is currently developing the Tactical Air Control System (TACS) under Colonel George A. Guy.

The overhaul. This year, the program will concentrate on overhauling the tactical aircraft control and warning system. "It's more than a Baby Sage," says Col. Guy. "We call it airspace management, and it includes directing our own planes for offense, defending against enemy planes and controlling air traffic in any battlefield areas."

In fiscal 1965, the 407L program

\$30 million, will represent the largest single procurement in 407L's two-year history. The Data Systems division of Litton Industries, Inc., and the Ground Systems group of Hughes Aircraft have been awarded six-month study contracts to come up with technical proposals for the tactical air control operating centers. A hardware contract is expected next fall. The centers will consist of data processing equipment and displays and will be used to aid radar surveillance and control and handle weather, logistics and intelligence data.

Linking 3-D. Still being debated is the method of linking 3-D radars to these data centers in a tactical war area. Cable links have been proposed, but some commanders in the field reportedly favor microwave links.

In the next three months, two or more contractors will be chosen to compete in a contract definition phase for lightweight tactical ground-controlled approach (GCA) radar. "We're interested in both the precision approach and the area-control problem," says Col. Guy. "We hope to come up with a new family of GCA's. Everything available today is an upgraded version of World War II equipment, using mechanical scan. We want to exploit new technologies, such as solid state circuits and electronic scanning."

The new GCA equipment will replace items like the L-band TPS-35.

The GCA program is expected to involve expenditures of about \$15 million. Also in radar, the Air Force will replace the UPS-1 with a forward-area radar surveillance sensor designated the TPS-44. This is now being built as a 2-D radar, and it may later be redesigned for 3-D. Cardion Electronics, Inc., has a \$3-million contract to build 26 of the radars for forward air control posts as part of the aircraft control and warning system.

'Little Bell System.' In the next three or four months, the 407L organization will go to industry for proposals on new communications complexes for battlefield conditions. "We really need a little Bell



Tactical communications systems, like this AN/TRC-97, are being sought by the Pentagon to provide the military with "a little Bell System" on the battlefield.

upgraded versions of World War II equipment.

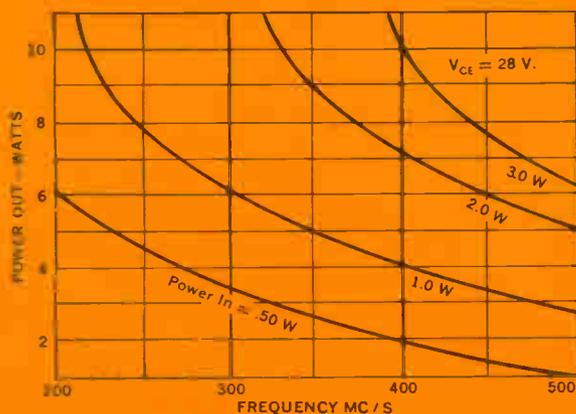
Due in the next two weeks is a \$15-million to \$20-million production contract for a lightweight three-dimensional radar designed for tactical forces in a forward air-control post. The contract will be given to either the Westinghouse Electric Corp. or the Hughes Aircraft Co., successful bidders for the study phase [Electronics, Dec. 27, 1965, p. 25]. The radar, to be known

stressed urgent, off-the-shelf procurement with minimum engineering. In fiscal 1966 to 1968 there will be limited development efforts and the emphasis will be on buying systems packages. "We will not be trying to create new technology," says Col. Guy, "But we will be exploiting industry's technology to the fullest for tactical needs."

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System," says Col. Guy. The basic equipment in the tactical communications setup is the AN/TRC-97, a tactical wideband communications system built for the Marine Corps by the Radio Corp. of America. It provides full duplex multichannel voice, data and teletype communications in the 4400-5000-megacycle band, using line-of-sight, diffraction or tropospheric scatter. Range is about 100 miles.

The Air Force is buying a modified version, called the TRC-97A, in which channel capacity is doubled to 24 and the size and weight of the equipment is reduced. A preproduction model is now under test at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. It is expected that the equipment will replace the TRC-66's and 66A's now being used in Vietnam.

The Air Force will also buy modified versions of the TSW-6 towers for air traffic control in battlefield areas [Electronics, Oct. 5, 1964, p. 114] designed by RCA. This portable control tower in "the best thing to come out of the 482L program," says Col. Guy. The 482L program, called emergency mission support, has been merged into the 407L. The final 407L procurements planned for fiscal 1966-68 include base command and control radios such as the FRC-110's and 116's.

Less from LES-4

It was a pleasant Christmas-Sunday surprise for the space communications researchers at Lincoln Laboratory of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who traveled to a field site on Millstone Hill in Westford, Mass., to see if they could salvage some routine telemetry from the Lincoln Experimental Satellite, LES-4. The military communications satellite had gone into a crazy orbit when a Titan 3C transtage misfired after a flawless six-hour flight [Electronics, Dec. 27, 1965, p. 26].

It worked. Surprisingly, the bus voltage had gone up. The men turned on the X-band equipment and found that the transponder on LES-4 was working. About an hour of satisfactory tone and voice com-

munications came through that afternoon as the team worked with frequency-modulation techniques and the 60-foot Millstone Hill parabolic reflector.

Monday morning, they tried out the Vocoder circuits, tying the Lincoln Experimental Terminal into the 6-foot dish [Electronics, June 14, 1965, p. 136]. The circuits worked beautifully.

The research group acknowledges that the experiments aboard LES-4 will never work perfectly. Tailored to a quasisynchronous circular orbit at 18,200 miles, the experiments ended up in a highly elliptical orbit ranging from 100 nautical miles up to 18,000.

Analysis indicates that LES-3, also hurtled into the wrong orbit, will probably accomplish its major objectives. It is a signal generator, designed to measure properties of the communications path between the satellite and various receiving terminals.

The LES program calls for at least one more experimental satellite, to be launched on a Titan 3C rocket.

Communications

Flock of Birds . . .

By late 1969 a series of giant multipurpose communications satellites, each with the capacity of at least 20 Early Birds, may be providing global communications links. The new birds will also have enough power to beam domestic television signals directly to local tv stations.

Proposals for the global relays were sent out to industry late last month by the Communications Satellite Corp.; responses are expected by mid-February [Electronics, Dec. 27, p. 48].

The new satellites each weighing about 2,300 pounds, will be versatile as well as powerful. Each will carry at least four separate transponders so it can simultaneously handle television, radio and telephone, messages, digital data and conversations between ground stations and planes and ships.

Multiplexing, too. What will make the giant bird so powerful and versatile is its sophisticated electronics.

The craft will use frequency-division multiplexing, allowing more than one message to be transmitted on a single frequency band. Also, some of the transponders would contain wideband quasilinear equipment; the output power of such transponders increases linearly as the power input from a ground station increases. Hence, the strength of the satellite's radiated signal can be directed from the ground; some signals can be stepped up for direct reception by small ground stations, and other signals can be lowered for reception by large ground stations. Early Bird's output power, in contrast, is constant no matter how strong the input signal may be.

In addition, the new bird's antennas will be despun, either electronically or mechanically, to focus the radiated signals toward specific areas.

Each satellite's capacity is expected to be between 4,800 and 6,000 two-way voice channels, or up to 10 television channels, or a combination.

Comsat engineers want the bird's output power to be about 40 decibels above 1 watt (dbw), compared with only 10 dbw for Early Bird. Total bandwidth of the new craft would be about 500 megacycles, compared with Early Bird's 25-Mc capacity.

Small antennas. Dishes as small as 30 feet in diameter would be able to pick up tv signals, Comsat engineers say, making it economical for a local station to use the satellite's tv relay rather than microwave or coaxial links that are currently provided by the American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

The decision to develop the giant bird follows a request by the American Broadcasting Co. for its own domestic communications satellite. The request is still being studied by the Federal Communications Commission.

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Industry proposals are due next week on the feasibility of orbiting a large satellite to relay f-m radio signals directly to home receivers. The satellite that would be needed for such a job would weigh between 2,000 and 3,000 pounds and have at least 100 kilowatts of effective radiated power (ERP).

The program is sponsored by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

NASA won't say when, if ever, it will build the direct-broadcast radio satellite, but the agency thinks jumping to 100-kw ERP is within today's state of the art.

Ideas wanted. NASA has asked companies to submit proposals on the money and technology required for such a system. Then, two companies will be selected to conduct six-month detailed studies under contracts running about \$125,000 each. Once these studies are completed, the agency will decide if it wants to proceed into the project-definition and design phase of the program and ultimately to develop and launch a satellite.

Officially, NASA cites its responsibility to push space technology on all fronts as the reason for going into the program. Unofficially, however, it is known that there is strong interest in the satellite by a number of government agencies. The U.S. Information Agency, which beams propaganda radio programs to all parts of the world, is one. Also, the military could use the direct-broadcast radio satellite to communicate with troops all over the world. The system would have civil defense value, and commercial broadcasters are also interested in the proposal.

Technically, NASA thinks that most inexpensive home receiving sets would need an outside antenna to receive the broadcasts. Outside antennas probably would not be needed for more expensive sets, with better noise sensitivity, or sets in areas with little electromagnetic "pollution."

Power needed. Broadcasting is envisioned in the low-frequency range—20 to 30 megacycles—or in the 100-Mc region. NASA believes a bank of solar cells capable of putting out about 5 kw to insure 2-kw transmitter output, would be required. Then, assuming a 17-decibel antenna gain for full global coverage, the ERP should reach about 100 kw. This, however, would require about a 30-foot parabolic antenna.

Approximately 500 square feet of solar cells would be needed to generate the 5-kw power supply. NASA thinks this could be accomplished by using a satellite similar in design to the large paddle-wheel Pegasus satellites it launched in 1965.

Space electronics

Supply on demand

The solar cell and the rechargeable battery seem to be natural partners: the inexhaustible, though cyclical, supply of light energy from the sun is converted into electrical energy and stored in the battery until needed. But in some respects the partners are incompatible: a solar cell's efficiency steadily degrades as the sun heats it and the battery offers a higher resistance to recharging as the storage level builds up.

Gulton Industries, Inc., of Metuchen, N. J., says it has found a way to coordinate the supply and demand of a solar cell-nickel cadmium battery. Gulton claims the design, developed for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, can be used to build a power-supply system that weighs 20% less than a conventional system and recharges a battery 25% faster.

Cycle speeded. Engineers at Gulton's Engineered Magnetic division decided first to speed the charging cycle. The engineers aimed at achieving the most rapid recharging pace early in the cycle, when the solar cells are cool and produce the highest power and when the battery's appetite for power is

greatest, offering the least resistance to recharging.

During the early part of the cycle, the cell's high voltage and low current output is converted to a high current and low voltage output. Later in the charge cycle, when the battery offers resistance to the buildup of electricity, the balance is shifted: voltage is stepped up and current is lowered, in effect boosting the solar cell's pumping action.

Safety valve. The Gulton system provides other advantages: it eliminates the shunt regulator found in conventional systems and provides sensors to detect overcharging and undercharging. Since a surge of high voltage can damage the battery, designers of conventional systems use a shunt regulator to limit the flow. Although the regulator acts as a safety valve, it also wastes power, contributing to the slowness of the charge cycle.

Two electronic sensors are in-battery is nearing the point where too great a power drain could damage the battery and the other to detect when the battery is nearing the fully charged state. Overcharging is just as damaging to a battery as excessive draining.

Basic to the system is a series of comparator circuits, which act like a computer. The circuits decide when to turn on power, turn it off and adjust the component parts, current and voltage.

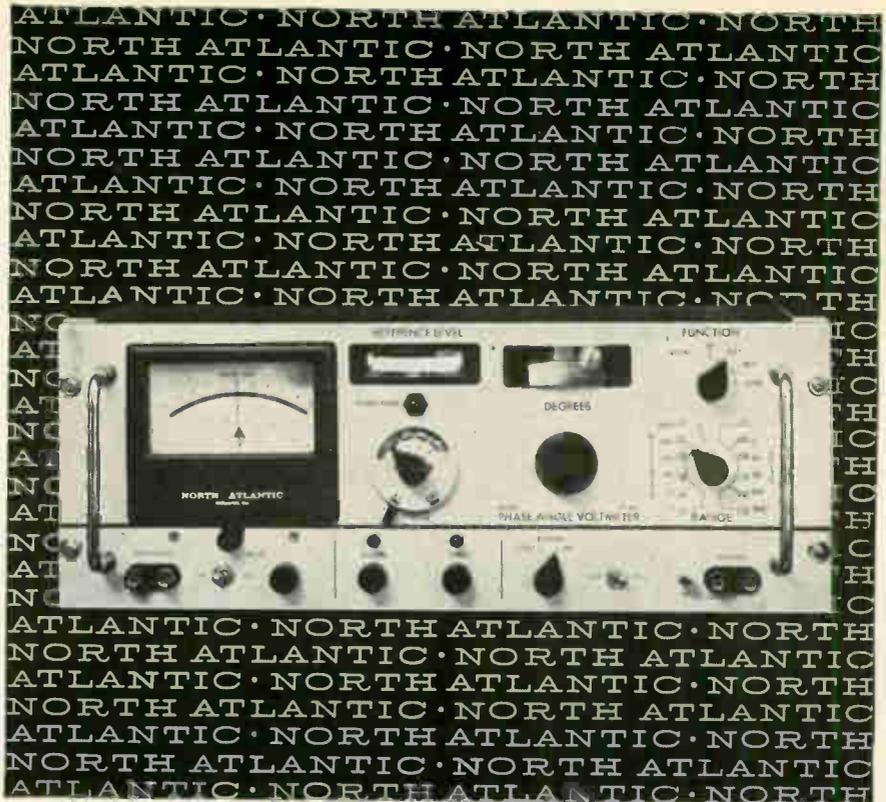
To determine the state of the battery, the Gulton engineers designed an ampere-hour meter that integrates the current in and out of the battery.

Aside from detecting the state of the battery, sensors also check the temperature of the solar cell's arrays, thus monitoring another variable that affects the charging cycle.

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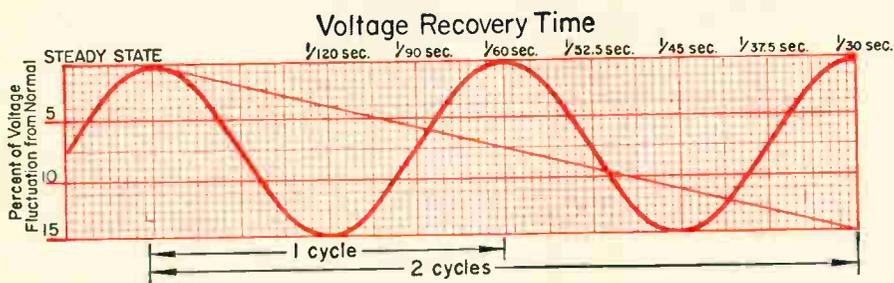
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Eastern's system, being developed jointly with the International Business Machines Corp., records 40 engine parameters. Eventually the system will measure 296 parameters of the aircraft, its engine and subsystems. The Air Force is working on an in-flight automatic test system, developed by the Douglas Aircraft Co. for its proposed C-5A transport plane.

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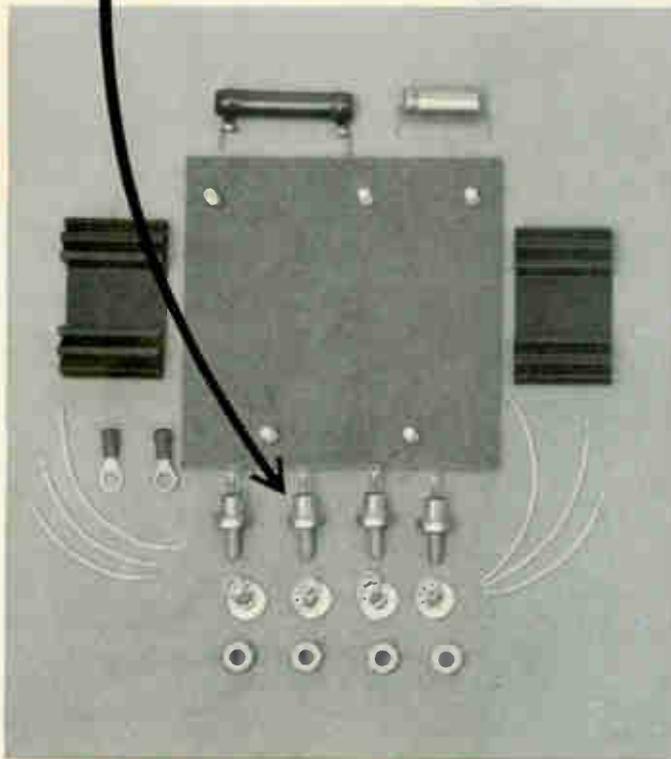
At present, test tapes are being processed in Miami by an IBM 7074 computer. Next September an airborne digital data-processor, built with integrated circuits, is scheduled to be installed in Eastern planes. Quantity production of the system is due early in 1967.

Electronics notes

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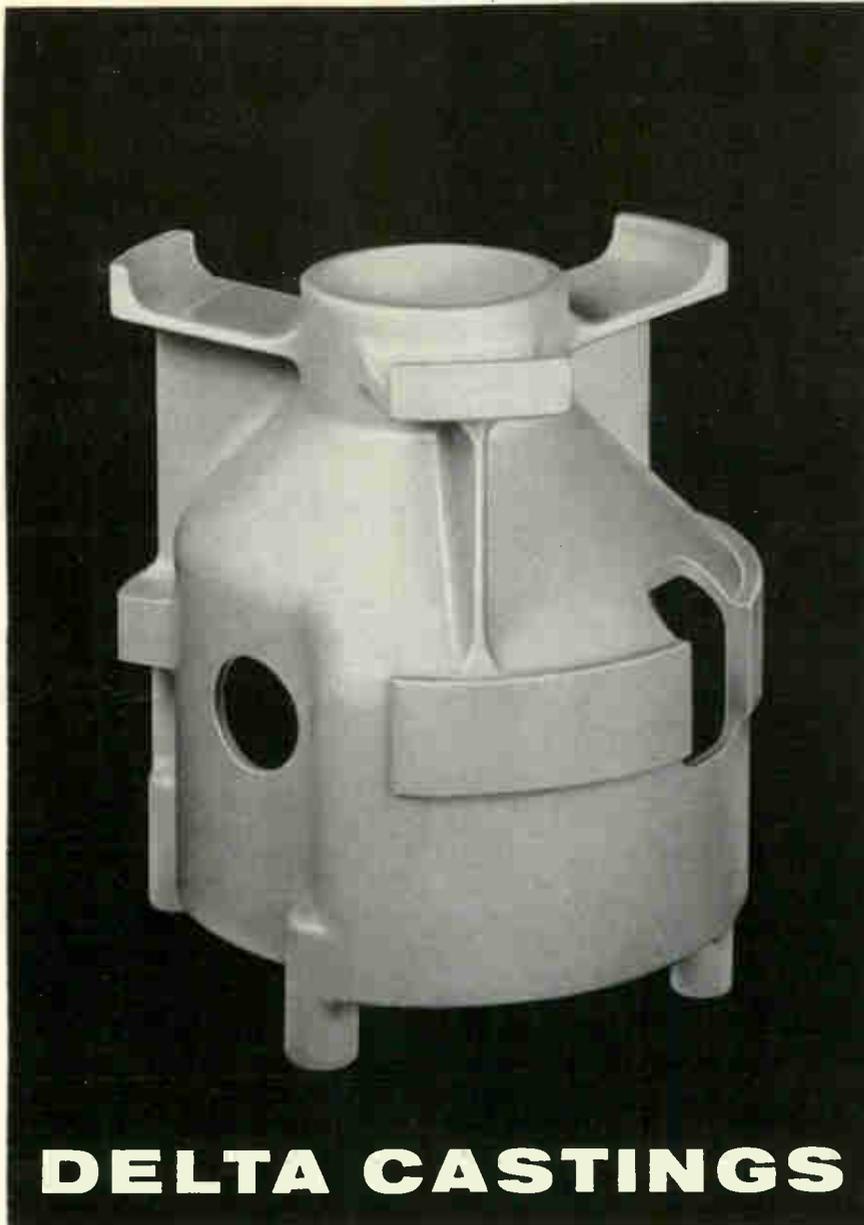
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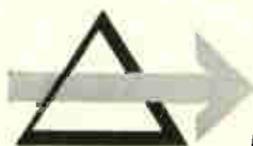
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▪ **Nike X contracts.** Although no orders for the production of the Nike X antimissile system are being issued, the Pentagon continues to award contracts for further research and preproduction activity. The Western Electric Co., the manufacturing arm of the Bell System, received a \$92.8 million order for R&D on the system.

▪ **Color tv boom.** The Zenith Radio Corp. has announced its \$17-million expansion program intended to boost color television tube production 50% by year-end. Zenith's current output is about 900,000 color tubes a year. By the end of 1967, Zenith estimates, color tube production will reach 2 million annually.

▪ **Patient robot.** The University of Southern California's School of Medicine and the Aerojet-General Corp. are developing a computer-operated model of a human being to help train hospital residents in anesthesiology. The mannikin will simulate pulse, muscle and skin-color changes in response to dosages of 10 anesthetics. It will take 22 months to build under a \$280,000 grant by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

▪ **Laser drill.** Add another production chore to the growing list of laser uses: drilling diamond dies for wire-drawing machines at the Buffalo, N. Y., plant of the Western Electric Co. The plant manufactures 160 billion feet of wire a year. About 30,000 diamond dies are made or reworked annually. By vaporizing, the laser has reduced drilling time per die to two minutes. Grinding techniques take two or three days.

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Military spending continues to rise despite peace bids

Despite the United States' renewed efforts for a settlement of the Vietnam war, the Johnson Administration remains committed to further expansion of defense spending. Current estimates for fiscal 1967's military budget have been put at between \$57 billion and \$60 billion. Estimates for this year's budget range from \$52 billion to \$54 billion. For fiscal 1968, Pentagon spokesmen predict a further rise in defense outlays—as much as \$3 billion to \$5 billion.

Nothing less than the complete cessation of hostilities in Vietnam could reduce current defense spending by any noticeable amount. Plans for fiscal 1967 are virtually set and there's a strong feeling in Washington that signs of indifference to U.S. peace gestures by Hanoi would indicate that the Viet Cong isn't ready to come to the conference table.

In any case, the Administration learned a lesson from the war in Vietnam and will keep spending for high-level preparedness. The military doesn't want to risk being caught flatfooted by any other outbreaks in the Far East.

Pentagon changes cost-report rules

The Pentagon's new comptroller, Robert N. Anthony, will soon issue a revision of the cost-reporting system that defense contractors must follow when submitting bids. Contractors had criticized the old regulations, drawn up by Anthony's predecessor, Charles J. Hitch, contending they were written without regard to contractors' suggestions.

The new rules were circulated in advance among defense contractors and Anthony's changes are said to overcome most of their objections.

The cost information reported by bidding contractors gives the Defense Department data on past weapons costs and is used to judge new bids.

White House pushing satellite for 3 R's

A proposal for a worldwide educational television system by satellite [Electronics, Oct. 18, 1965, p. 65] has cleared all preliminary hurdles and is now in the hands of a top-level White House committee headed by Leonard Marks, former director of the Communications Satellite Corp. and now head of the U. S. Information Agency. The committee's job is to work out details of the proposal. A \$20-million to \$30-million pilot program is likely to be unveiled for Congress by President Johnson this year, for possible funding in 1967.

The plan is a response to the President's request for ways to spread education in backward parts of the world. The proposal recently cleared the desk of Secretary of State Dean Rusk and has been screened by Comsat, the Federal Communications Commission and Johnson himself. Comsat has asked electronics companies to submit ideas for a huge, synchronous multipurpose satellite [for details see p. 48], not specifically for this project but with it in mind. And several key congressmen have indicated congressional acceptance.

To avoid accusations of propagandizing by satellite, an international group would prepare the courses and the receiving countries would own and maintain the receiving stations. Comsat would probably own the satellites; most of the money and technical assistance would be supplied by the U. S.

Washington Newsletter

Wanted by FBI: automated file for fingerprints

The Federal Bureau of Investigation says it's in the market for a computer-operated optical system for reading, classifying, sorting and retrieving fingerprints, but wants electronics companies to pay for development. In addition, the FBI says it will only buy a system that is "nothing less than perfect." The present generation of optical readers is no more than 95% accurate. If a perfect system were to be developed, the FBI says it would still back it up with manual techniques—to double-check the machine.

In the past, producers of optical scanning and computing systems—such as the International Business Machines Corp., the Radio Corp. of America and Rabinow Electronics, Inc.—have approached the bureau with proposals, but without success.

Some 15 years ago the FBI experimented with punched cards and mechanical sorters for its fingerprint file, but junked the plan when it proved less efficient than manual searching. The FBI has the fingerprints of 80 million people.

Air Force tries 200-number battle phone

The Air Force begins this week to evaluate technical proposals for a rugged, versatile radiotelephone that can be air-dropped to forward battle areas and operated within minutes under severe weather conditions.

The AN/TRC-124 will handle up to 14 simultaneous conversations with up to 200 addresses over a five-mile area. Each handset will weigh 15 pounds, without battery, and the repeater will weigh about 100 pounds. The transmitter will automatically seek a vacant channel and sound the called station's tone.

The Electronic Systems division at Hanscom Field, Mass., is evaluating proposals submitted by the Martin Marietta Co., the Electronics division of the General Dynamics Corp., the Sylvania Electronic Systems division of the General Telephone and Electronics Corp. and the International Telephone and Telegraph Corp.

The prototype equipment will include nine transceivers and two repeaters, using state-of-the-art equipment with rugged circuitry and packaging. Delivery is scheduled for December.

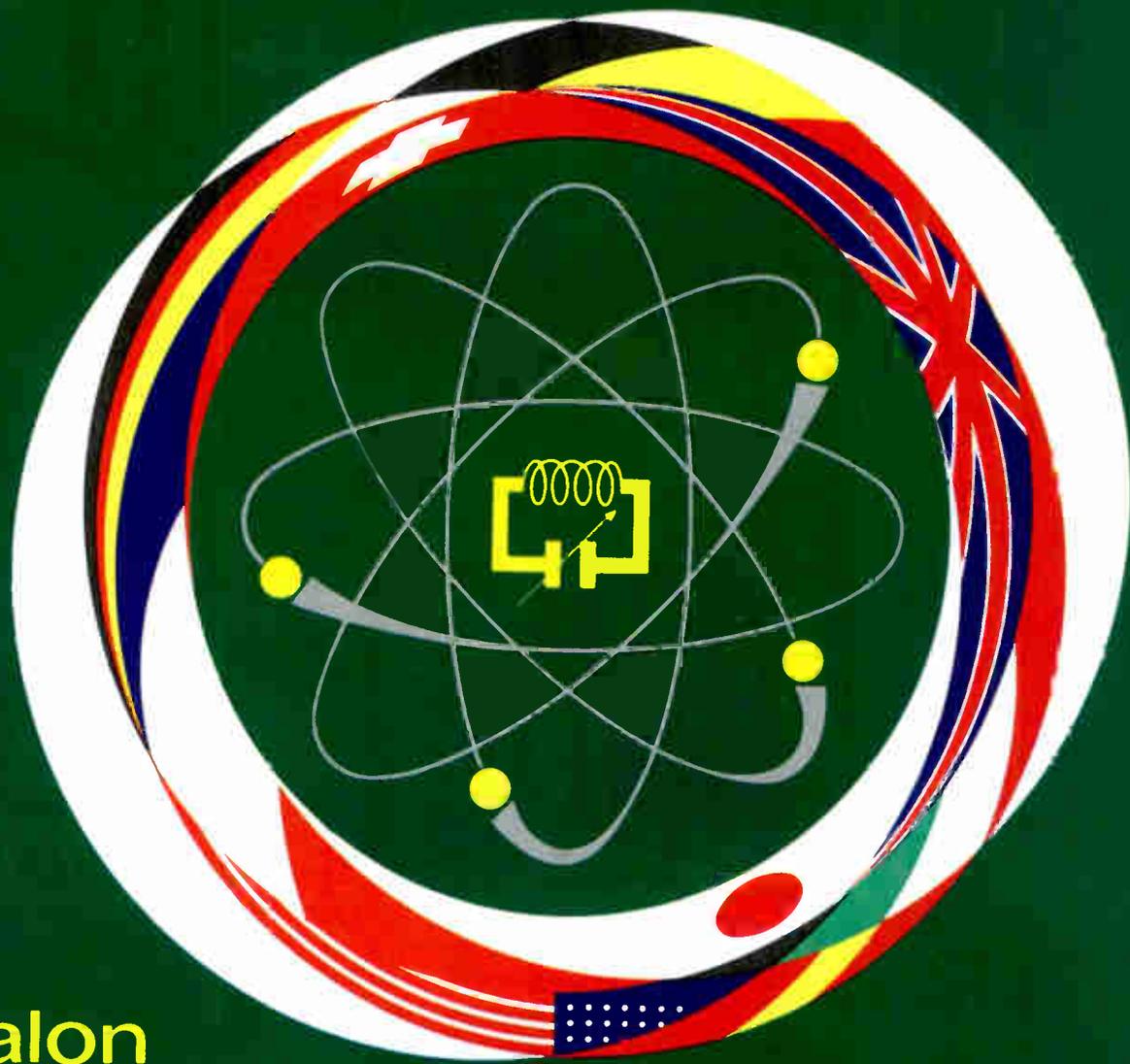
If the new system passes field tests, it will be produced for the Tactical Air Command and may become part of the 407L system. [For more details on procurement for the 407L program, see p. 46].

Revised Mariner may replace Voyager

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration is proposing a revised four-year, \$160-million Mariner interplanetary program. The program would replace a \$1.2-billion effort to orbit a pair of Voyager satellites around Mars by 1970. Instead of developing the new three-to-five-ton Voyagers, NASA would put the 500-to-600-pound Mariners on a Venus mission in 1967, and a Mars mission in early 1969. NASA hopes the Mariner program will fill the gap in interplanetary exploration left by budget tightening. The agency still proposes, however, to come back to Voyager later, with a Mars shot possible by 1973.

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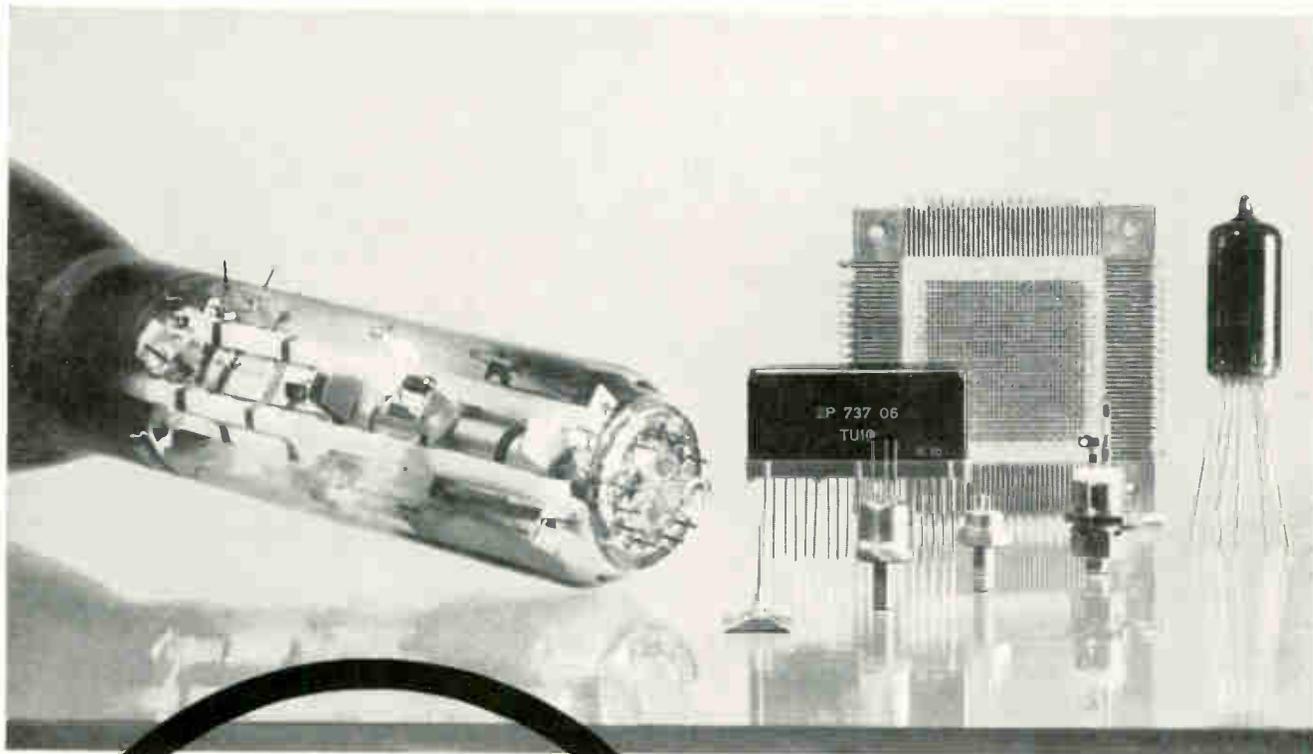




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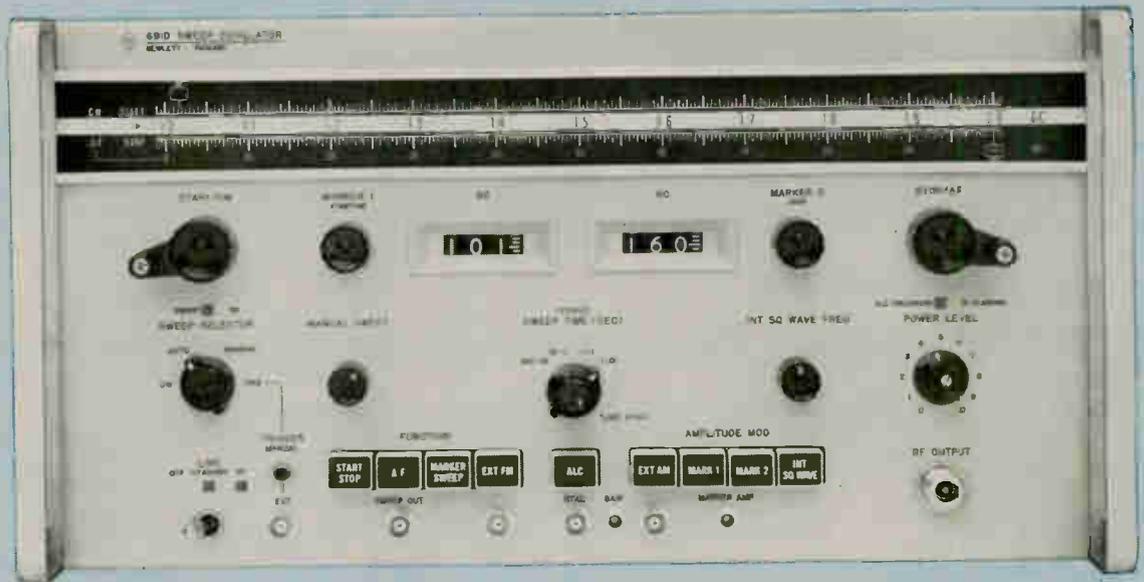
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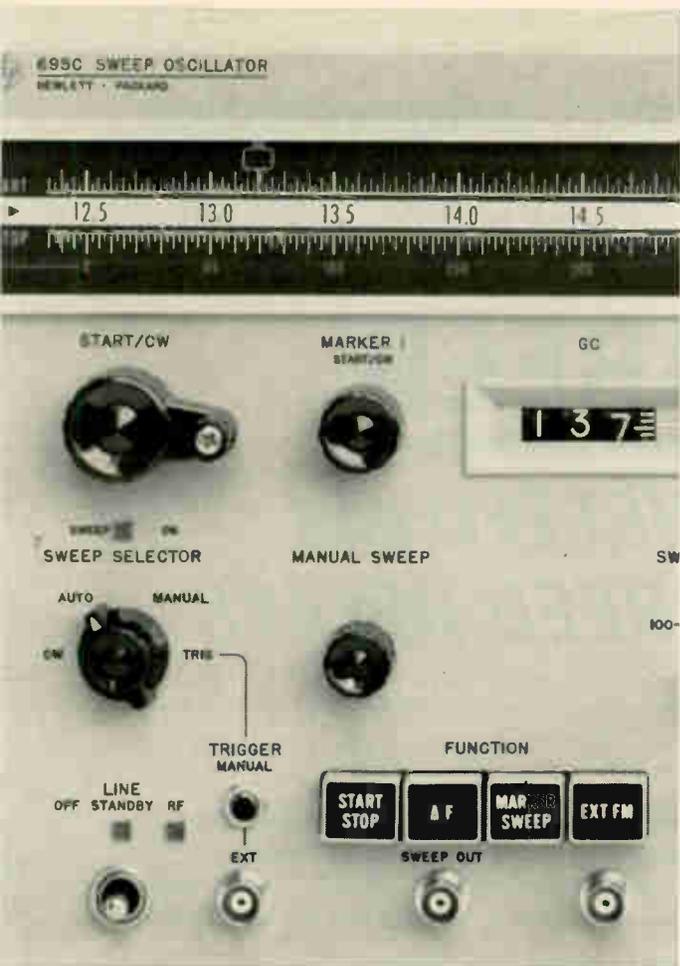
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691D	1 - 2 gc	≥70 mw	±10 mc	\$3550*
692D	2 - 4 gc	≥40 mw	±10 mc	3350*
HO1-692D	1.7 - 4.2 gc	≥15 mw	±13 mc	3650
693D	4 - 8 gc	≥15 mw	±20 mc	3350*
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695C	12.4 - 18 gc	≥40 mw	±1%	3500
696C	18 - 26.5 gc	≥10 mw	±1%	4500
697C	26.5 - 40 gc	≥5 mw	±1%	6500

*Grid leveled "C" models \$350 less

The chart, listing brief specs on some of the available models, includes three "specials" (HO1 models) designed for popular extended range applications. "D" models offer PIN diode modulators, while "C" models use BWO grid modulation and offer slightly increased power output and lower price. Other models with a choice of modulation techniques and special frequency ranges are available. All BWO's have 2500-hour warranty. The specified accuracy of each model covers all sweeps, plus rf in cw mode.



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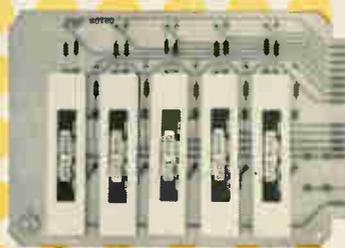
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Contact Arrangements (Maximum)	12 Form A 6 Form B 2 Form C 6 Form A and 6 Form B	12 Form A 6 Form B 4 Form C	3 Form A 2 Form B 1 Form C
Operating Voltages	.5 vdc to 340 vdc	1 vdc to 550 vdc	1 vdc to 145 vdc
Coil Resistances	2 ohms to 27,500 ohms	7.3 ohms to 35,500 ohms	10 ohms to 12,700 ohms
Operate Times* (Nom. coil power)	.6 to 9 ms	.6 to 3.4 ms	.6 to 2.8 ms
Must Operate Sensitivities*	80 mw to 2.3 watts	110 mw to 1.8 watts	110 mw to 750 mw
*Depending upon number of contacts.			
CONTACT CHARACTERISTICS (All Contacts Are Available In Any Assembly Shown Above.)			
	GENERAL PURPOSE	HIGH VOLTAGE	MERCURY-WETTED
Contact Rating Switched Load	15 va max, non-inductive 1 amp max, 250 v max	15 va max, non-inductive 1 amp max, 250 v max	50 watts DC resistive 25 watts AC resistive 3 amps max, 500 v max 5 amps max, not switched
Carry Load	5 amps max, not switched	5 amps max, not switched	5 amps max, not switched
Life Expectancy Full Rated Load Low Level	20 x 10 ⁶ operations 100 x 10 ⁶ operations	20 x 10 ⁶ operations 100 x 10 ⁶ operations	100 x 10 ⁶ operations 1 x 10 ⁹ operations
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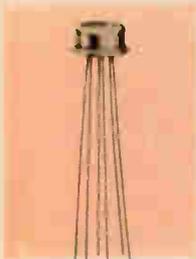
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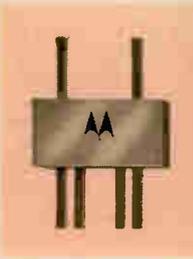
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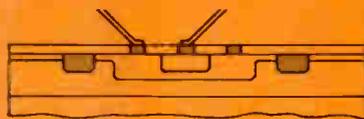


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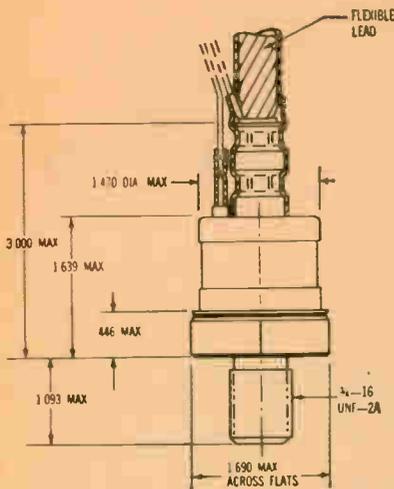


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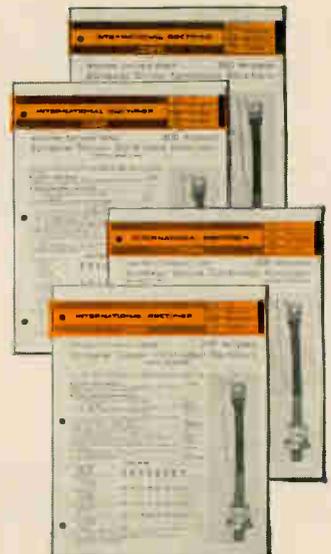
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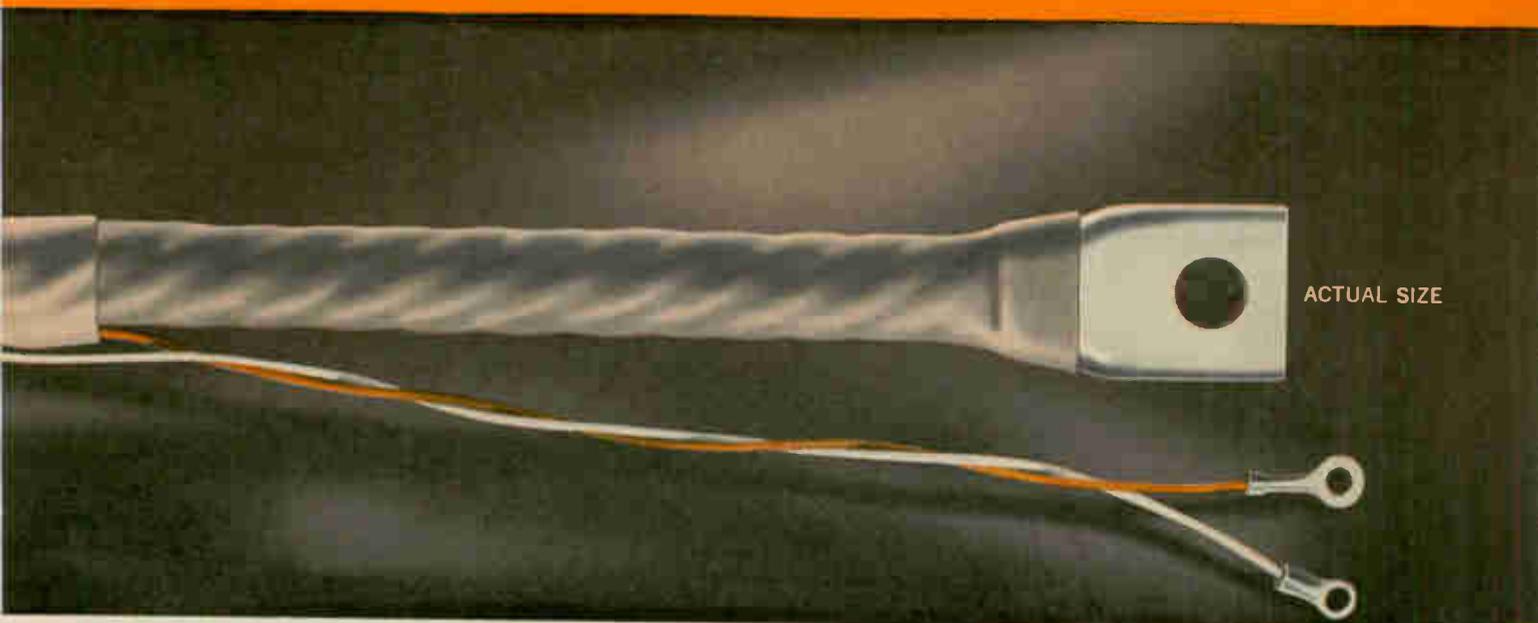
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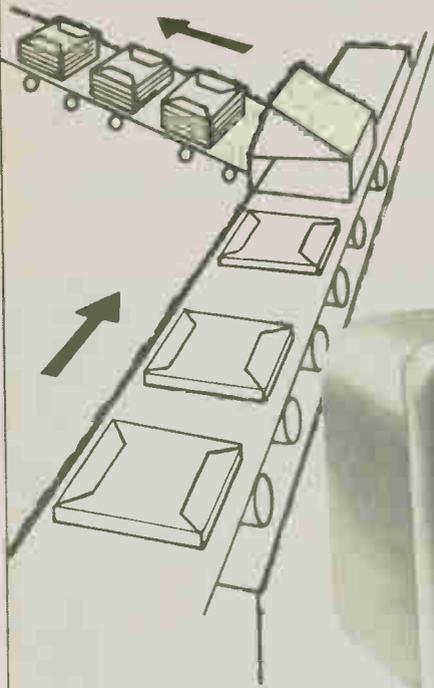


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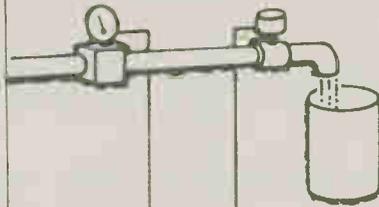
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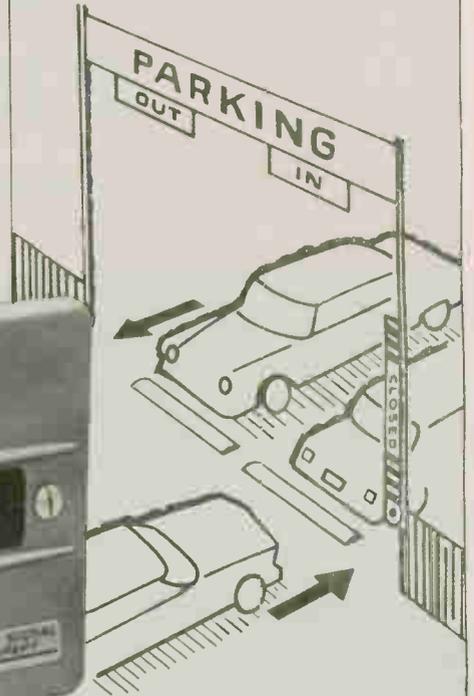
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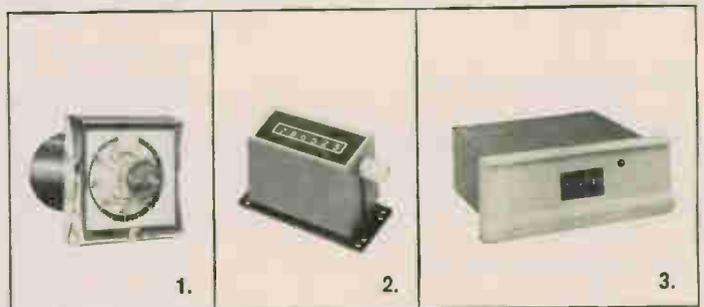


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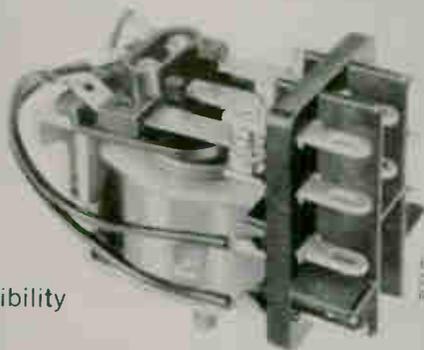
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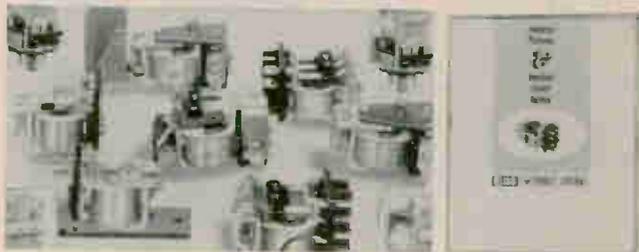
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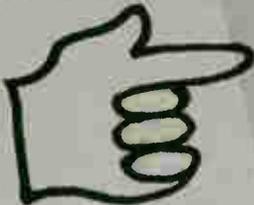
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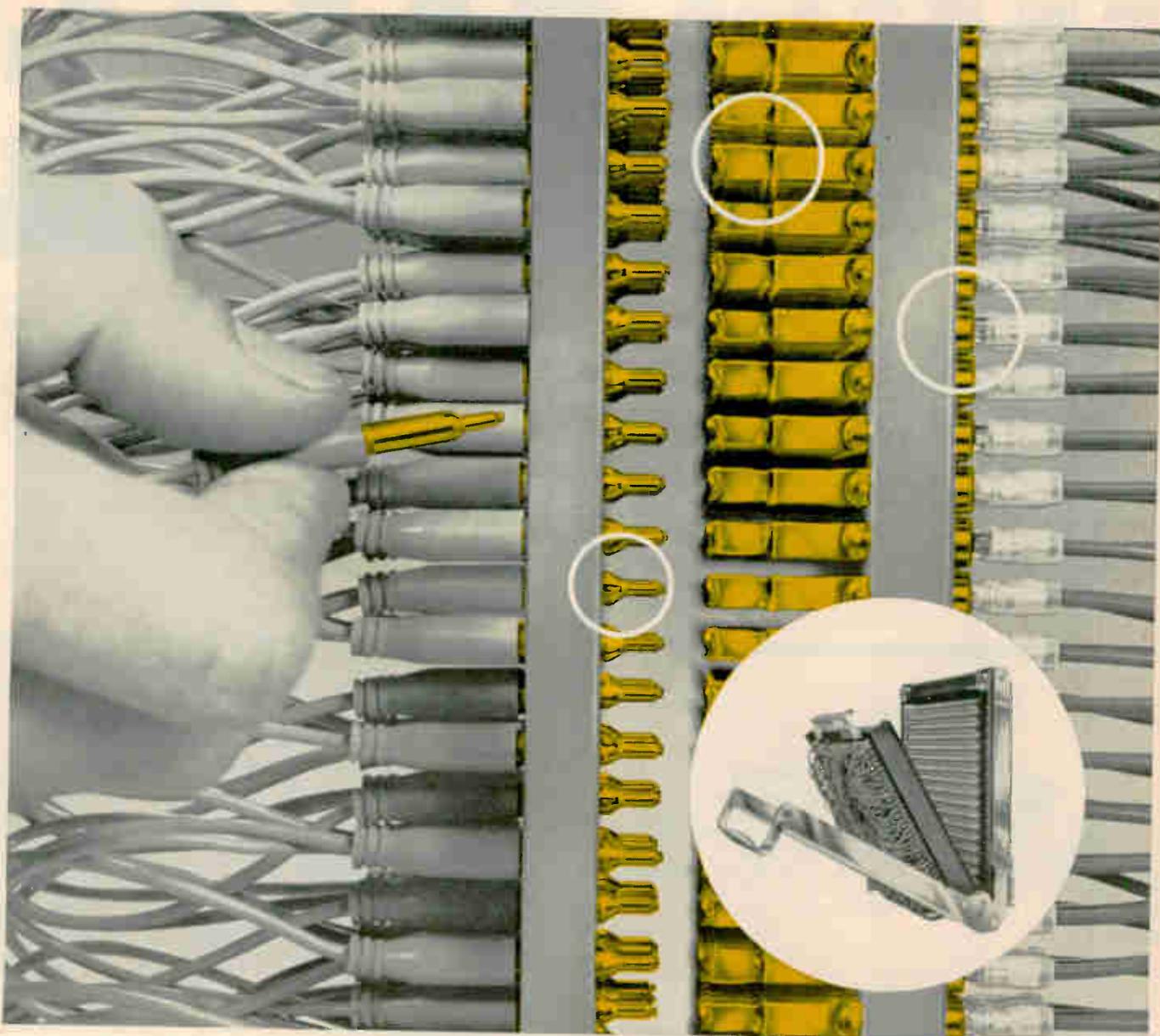
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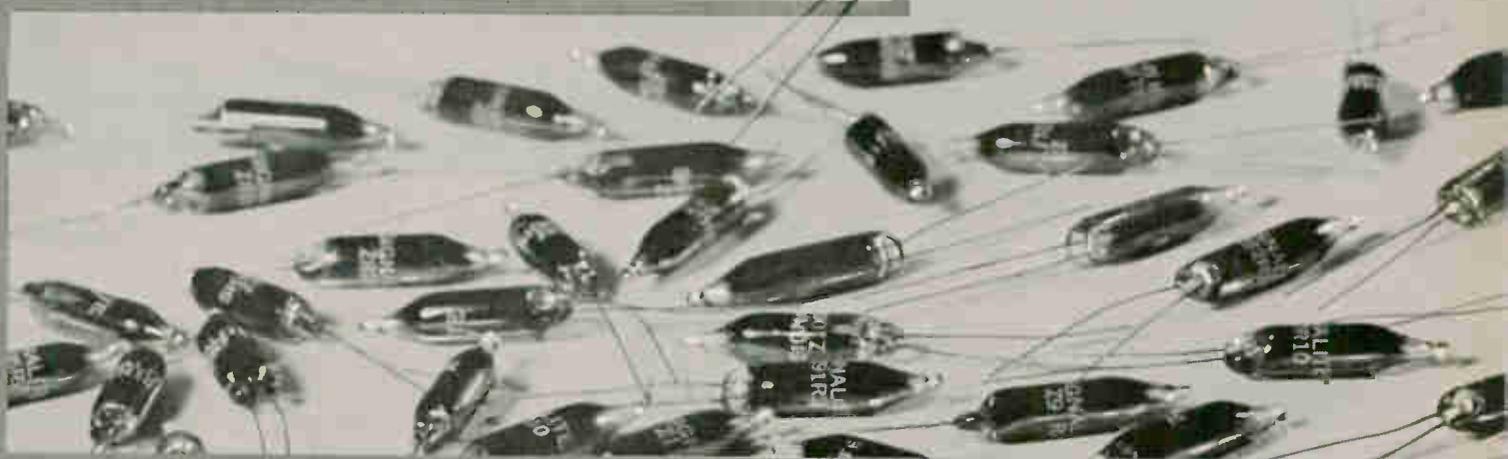
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BREAKDOWN VOLTAGE (in Dark or Light) MAX	115	150
REFERENCE VOLTAGE (measured at)	82 ± 1 (2.0 MA)	100 ± 1 (3.0 MA)
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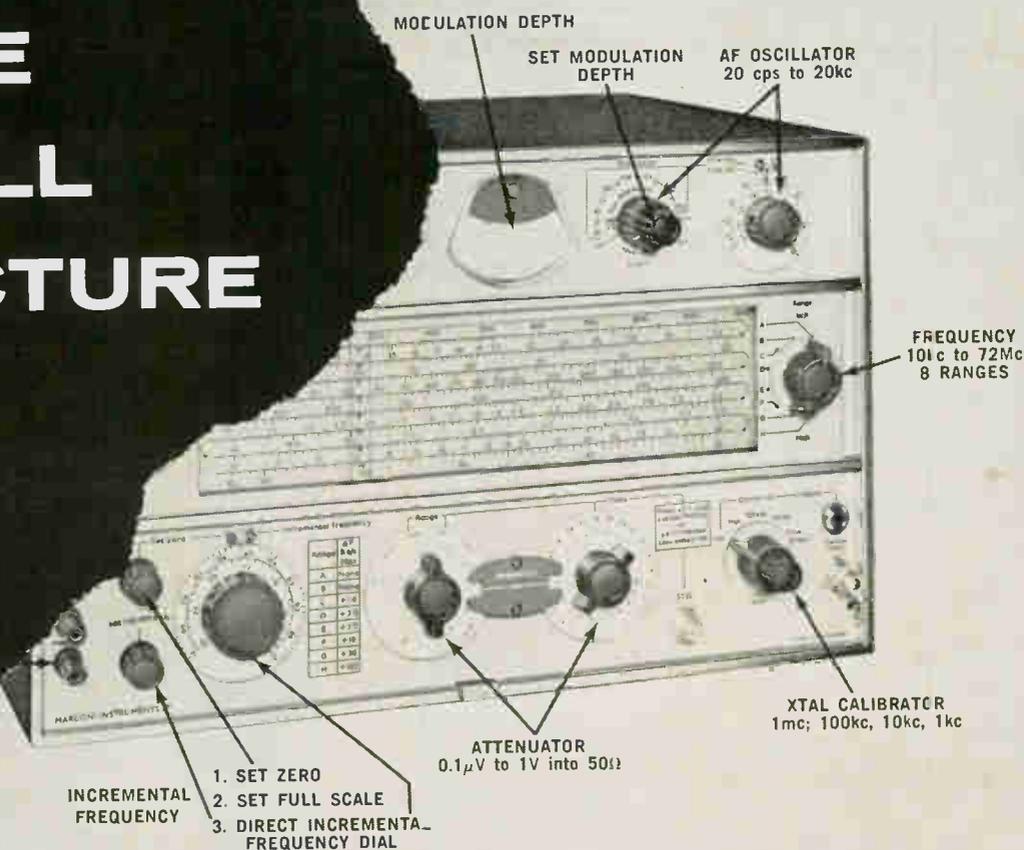
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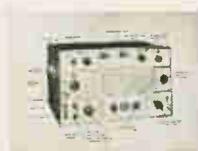
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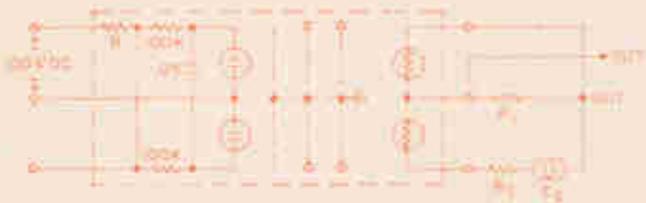
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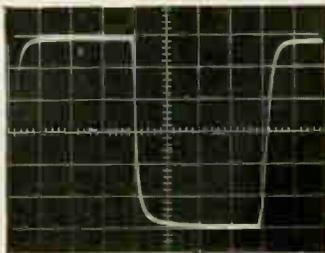
Maybe. Us engineer types never get a decent clear cut decision. Still, if the Old Man said don't use them damn choppers maybe you'd better go photo-chopper. If you just ignore the neon bulbs you could say all solid state and get away with it.

It's like this. You'll get 1500 to 2500 ohms conducting resistance if you leave the neon lamp on. If you switch it at 60 cycles you get maybe 20 K. Dark resistance gets pretty good, about 10^9 .

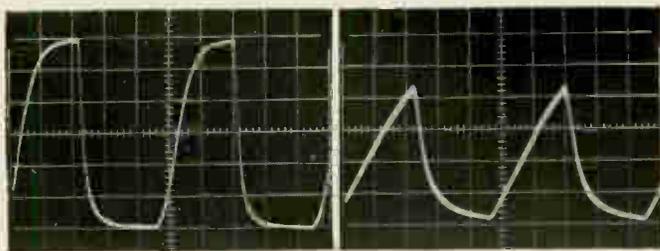
The response time is not so hot. The flaw is turn-off time. The cells turn on quick and off slow. You use two, which helps, one in series with the load, one in shunt.



Type 5514 in a modulator circuit



Output waveform
60 cycle square wave drive



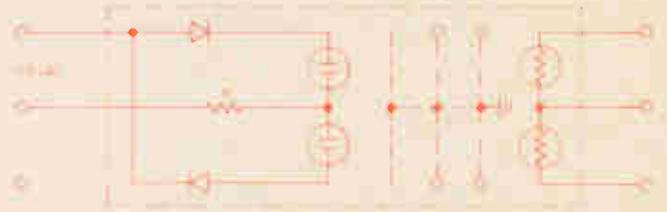
Output waveform
400 cycle square wave drive

Output waveform
1000 cycle square wave drive

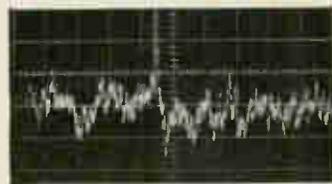
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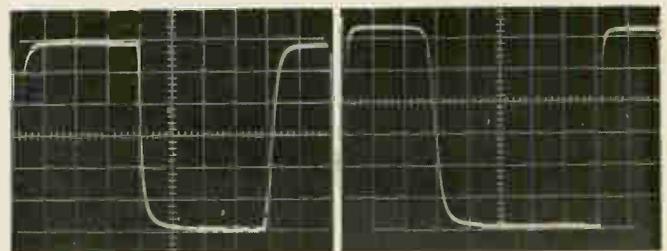
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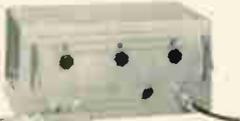
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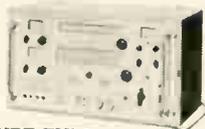


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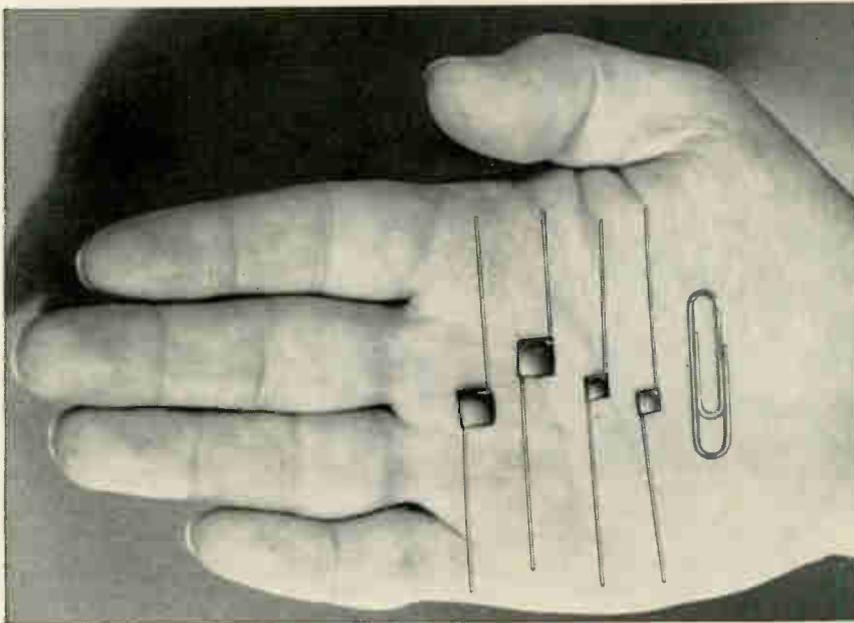
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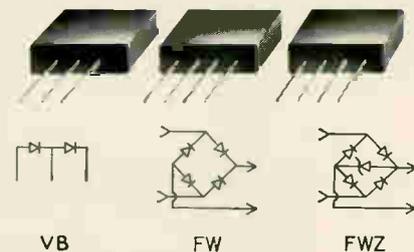
47 mfd., 6 VDC to 15 mfd., 50 VDC. Temperature rating is -55°C to $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$, de-rated linearly to $\frac{2}{3}$ voltage at 125°C . DC leakage is low. Three configurations keyed to lead position are available. Standard units are polarized; non-polarized units on special order. Leads are gold-plated ribbons, can be welded or soldered.

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Case Size	A Max.	B Max.	C Max.
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B	.225	.225	.050
C	.225	.225	.060
D	.225	.225	.075
E	.225	.225	.110
F	.325	.325	.060
G	.325	.325	.075
H	.325	.325	.110
J	.325	.325	.125
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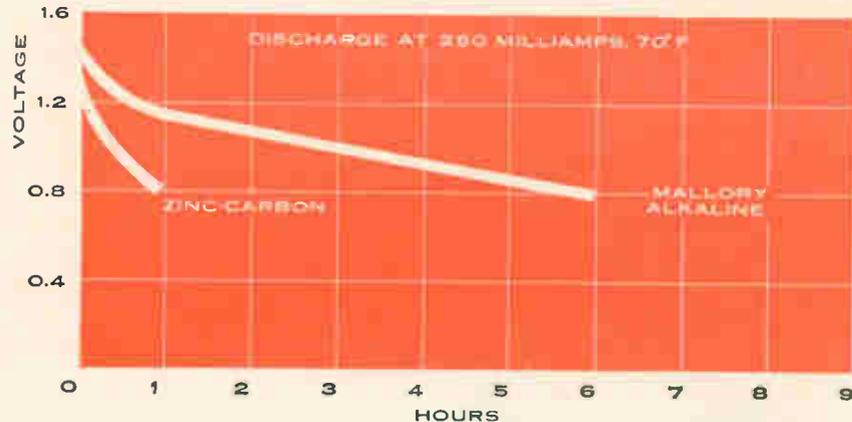
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Improved heavy-duty performance now provided by Mallory Alkaline Batteries

Recent refinements in Mallory Alkaline Batteries increase their ability to deliver long life at higher values of current drain, and further improve their advantage over conventional zinc-carbon batteries both in service dependability and cost per hour.

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Mallory Alkaline Batteries with the new construction are available in a broad range of standard cell configurations.

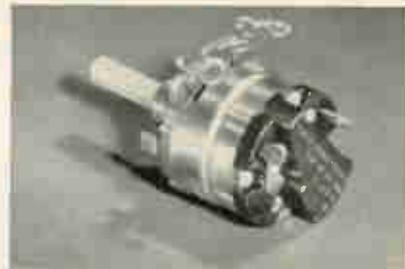
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Circuit breaker-switch now available on Mallory controls

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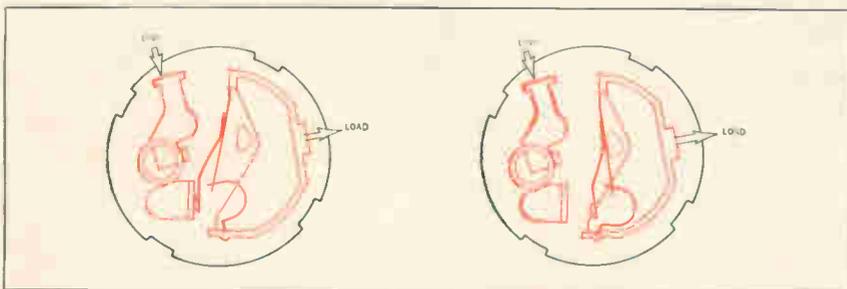


OCB breaker switch attached to volume control.

Break current is 50% higher than holding current. The OCB switch will withstand a 10% overload for 4 hours at 65°C ambient. It will take a 50 ampere surge, peaking in 1.6 millise and decaying to normal in 3 millise, without opening or being damaged.

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Diagrams show operation of breaker mechanism: at left, in MAKE position; at right, in BREAK position.

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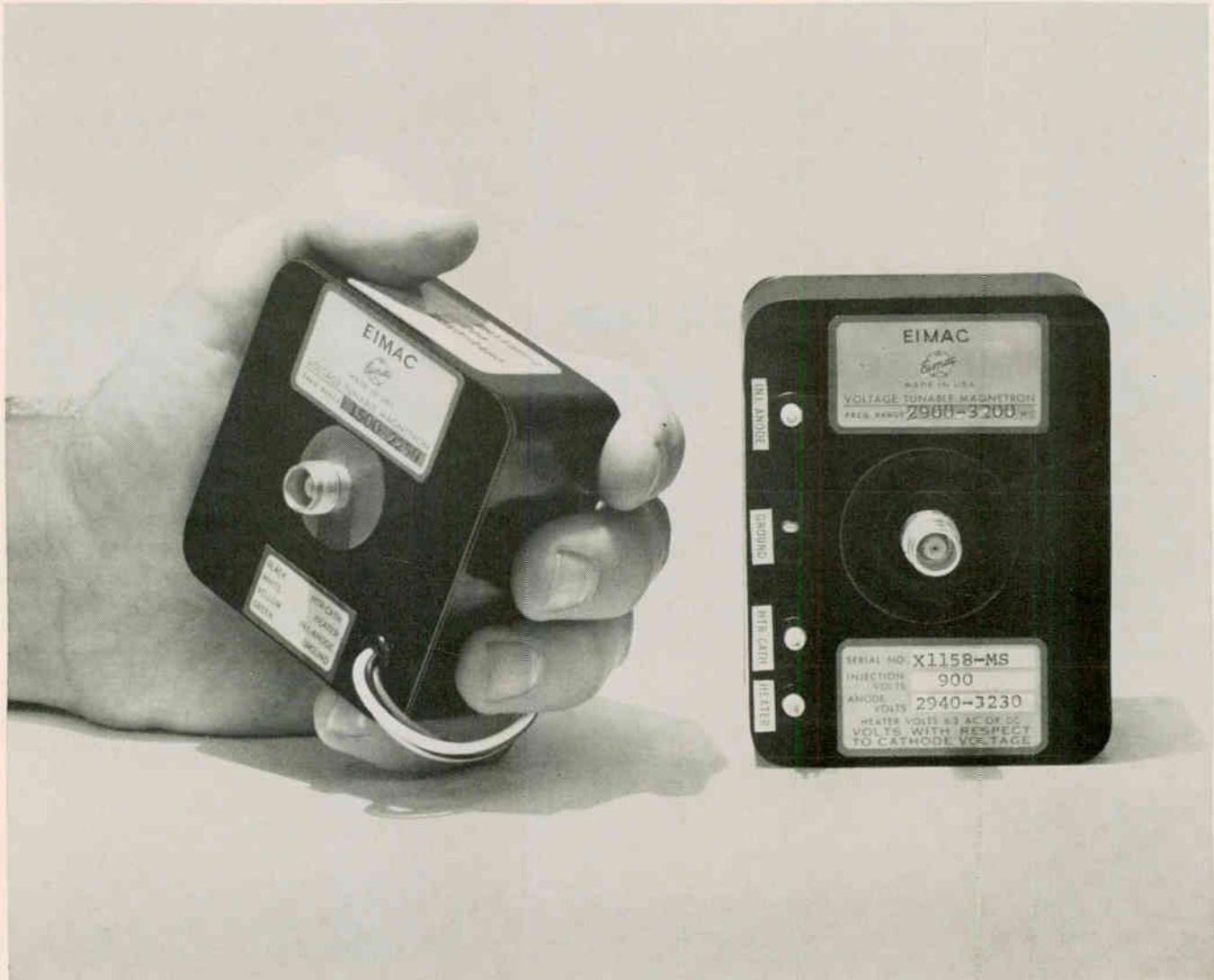
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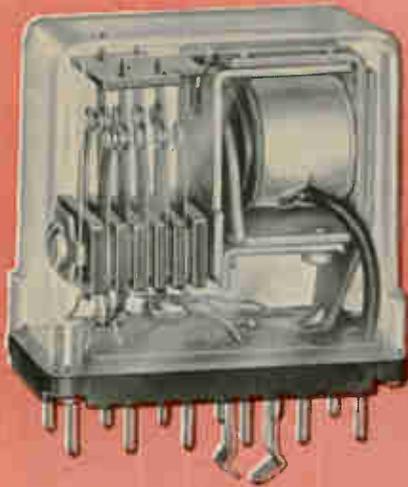
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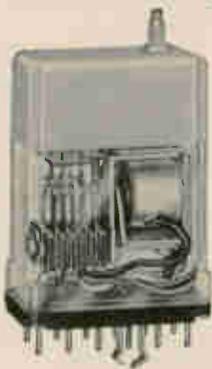
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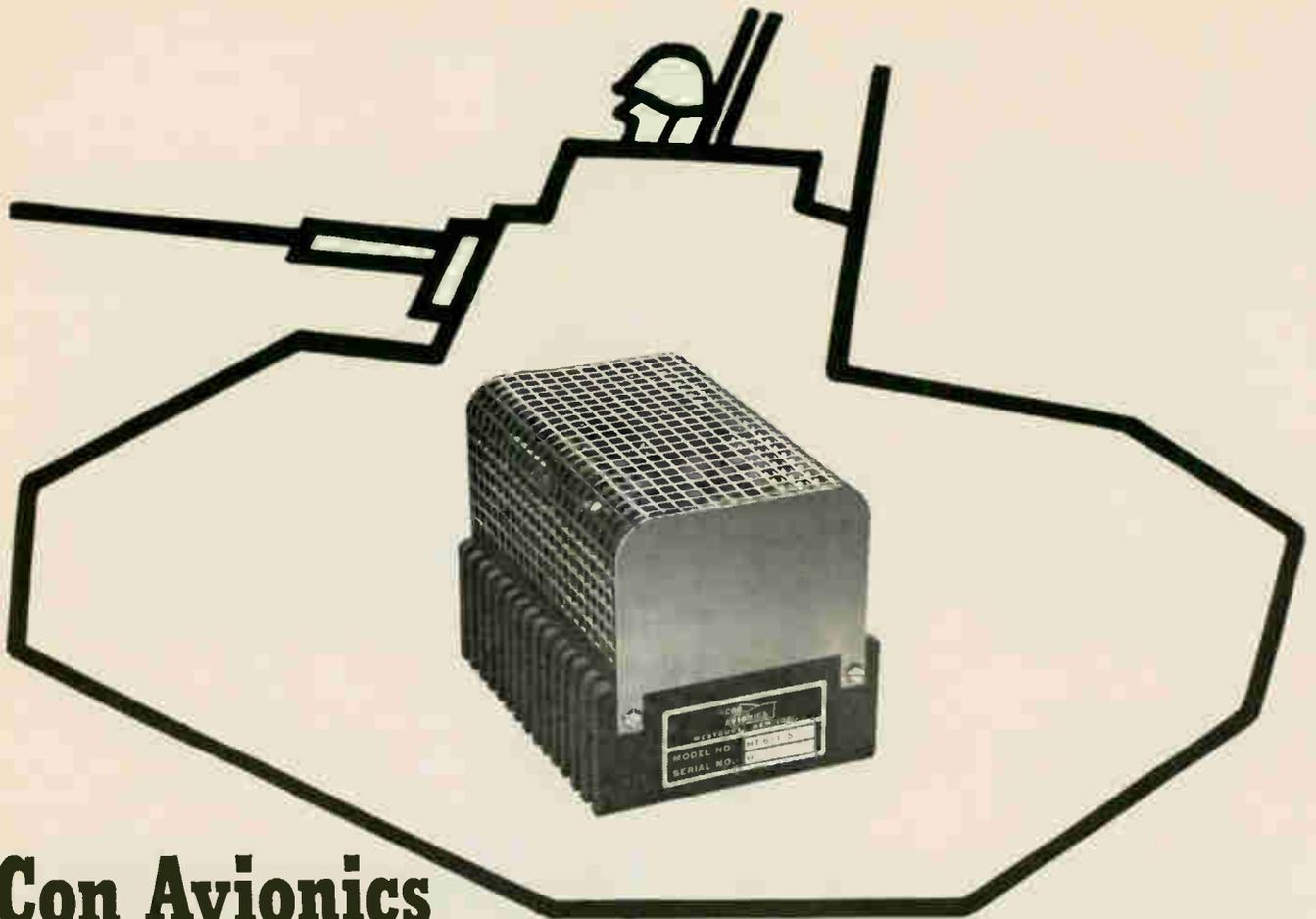
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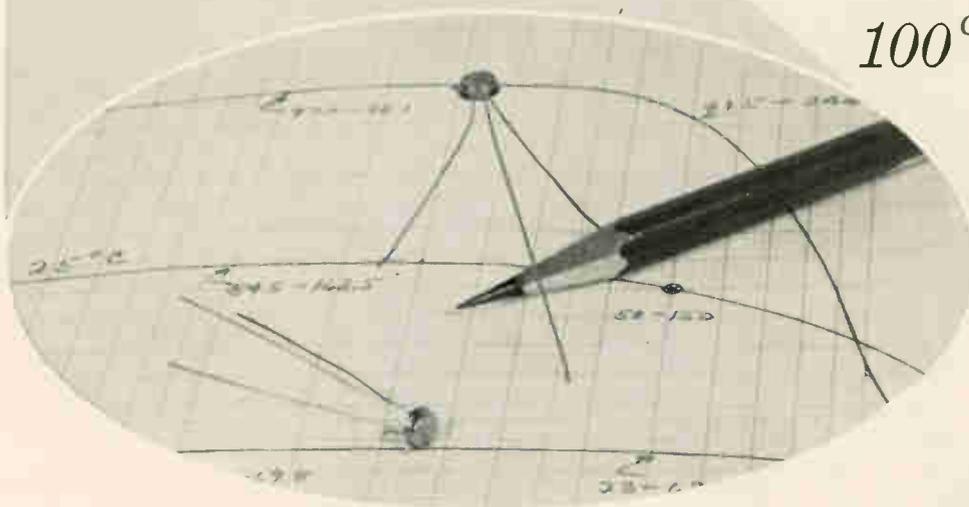


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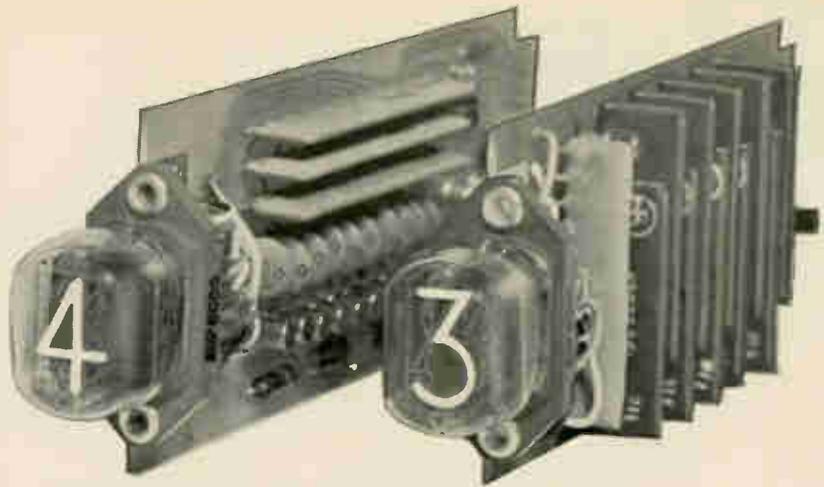


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MHT5002	TO-46	200	25	4	80	60	8	50	150	1.2	0.35	0.1		50
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By refining the material and improving fabrication techniques, researchers say they can make the gallium-arsenide laser generate continuous-wave coherent light. They predict such operation at room temperature within a year.

Tunnel-diode oscillator expands f-m system's channel capacity: page 105

Performance of an f-m telemetry system depends on the characteristics of the voltage-controlled oscillator (vco). By using the unique characteristics of tunnel diodes, a newly designed oscillator can perform at frequencies to 200 Mc and can accommodate 600 channels.

Electronics markets in 1966: page 111



Everything is coming up roses for the electronics industry in 1966. Electronics' annual statistical survey of the industry starts on page 111 and includes 30 additional categories. Then, starting on page 117, the editors examine the technological trends and market opportunities in the major segments of the industry. The cover scene photographed at a Zenith Corp. plant, where color tv sets are being life tested, is being duplicated at color tv plants across the country as set producers strive to keep up with demand. In 1966, color tv will again set the pace for makers of consumer products and components.

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- Mass-producing a new beam-lead diode
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Integrated circuits replace the electromechanical resolver

Electronic analog resolver is smaller, lighter, consumes 90% less power and is 10 times as reliable as mechanical devices solving trigonometric problems in analog computers

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A two-cubic-inch package containing 17 off-the-shelf integrated circuits and a few discrete components promises to do the computation job now being performed in analog computers by bulky electromechanical resolvers and servo drivers.

The time-based analog circuit, for which a patent application has been filed, is called an electronic analog resolver (EAR). With one-tenth the size, weight and power consumption, it solves trigonometric equations and performs coordinate transformations and rotations with the accuracy, 0.1%, of the electromechanical resolver—and is 10 times as reliable.

The electronic analog resolver, with full-temperature-range devices, costs about \$500—the price of a size 11 electromechanical resolver and servo drive. With temperature-restricted devices and oven control, the price would be lower.

The resolver's job

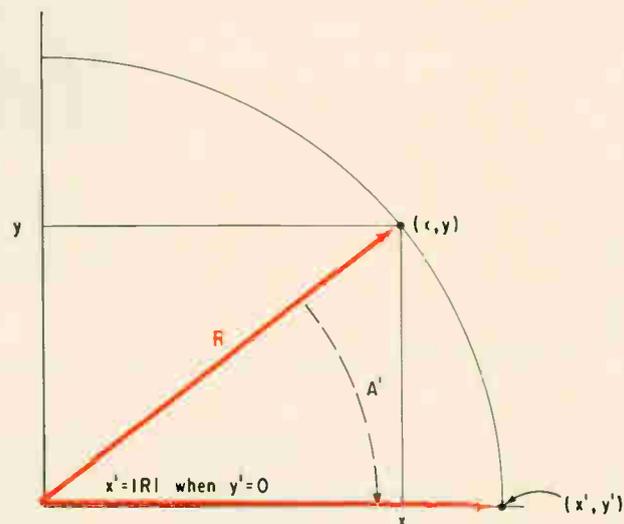
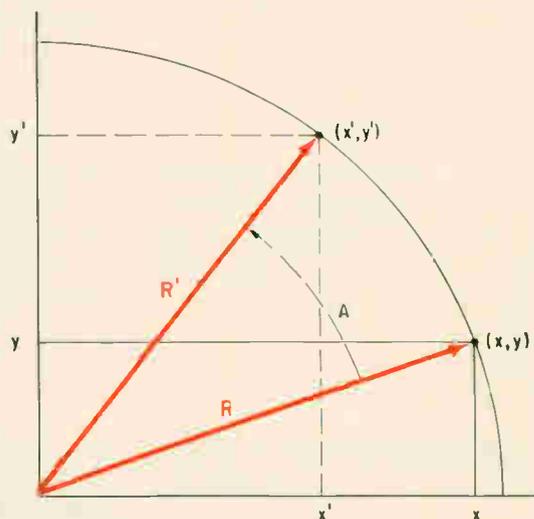
In an electromechanical resolver, rotation of a constant-magnitude vector R is accomplished by physically turning the rotor and its magnetic field with respect to the stator. The amplitudes of the a-c voltages generated in the two stator windings are proportional to the x and y components of R .

In EAR, vector R rotates at a constant velocity for a time proportional to the desired angle of rota-

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Trigonometric operations which rotate coordinates through an angle A (top) and transform coordinates from rectangular to polar form (bottom).

tion. During this rotation, the EAR solves the differential equation $A\ddot{X} = -CX$ as a function of time, where the input signals set the initial conditions and the output signals represent the solution.

Coordinate rotation and coordinate transformation—the two basic functions of resolvers—are shown graphically on page 90.

In coordinate rotation, vector R is rotated through an angle A from its initial position x, y to x', y' . The new coordinates, in terms of the initial conditions and the angle of rotation, are

$$x' = x \cos A - y \sin A$$

$$y' = y \cos A + x \sin A$$

To transform from rectangular to polar coordinates, the initial position x, y is rotated to the X axis through some angle A' so that $y' = 0$ and $x' = |R|$

the magnitude of the polar coordinate. The polar coordinates, in terms of the initial rectangular coordinates, are

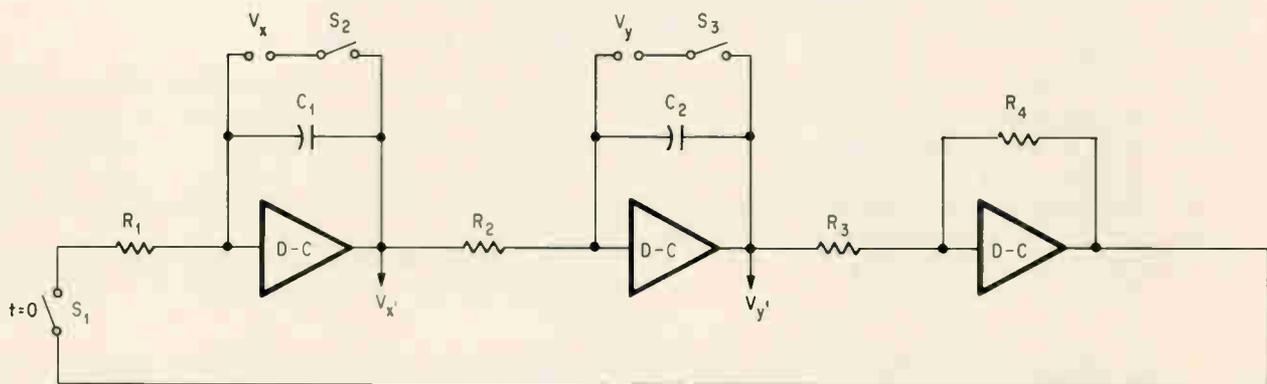
$$|R| = x' = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$A' = \arctan y/x$$

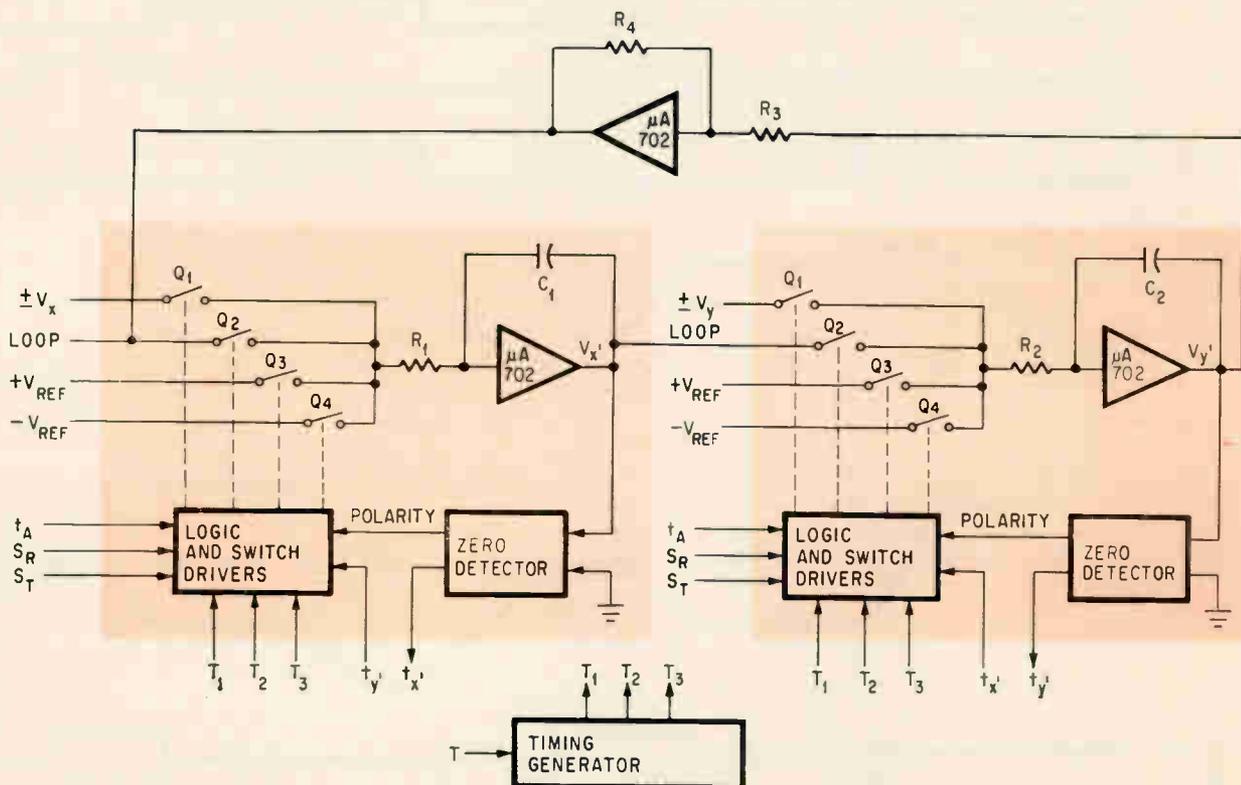
Other trigonometric functions (such as transformation of polar to rectangular coordinates) can be derived from these equations by cascading two or more operations, by setting x or y equal to zero, or by using different criteria for determining the amount of rotation.

Harmonic oscillator

A harmonic oscillator, two integrators and an inverter connected in a closed loop, are shown in the figure just below. They are the basis of the



Harmonic oscillator with two integrators and an inverter connected in a closed loop can perform the functions of an electromechanical resolver. This is the basis for the EAR.



Electronic analog resolver contains two pulse-width modulators shown in color panels. Modulator at left is for x component; modulator at right is for y component. With the exception of the transistor switches, all the circuits are standard linear and digital integrated.

electronic analog resolver. The harmonic oscillator operation is defined by the differential equation:

$$\ddot{X} = \frac{-R_1/R_3}{(R_1C_1R_2C_2)^{1/2}} X$$

The solutions, which appear at the outputs of the two integrators, are

$$V_{x'} = M \cos(\omega t + p)$$

$$V_{y'} = M \sin(\omega t + p)$$

where amplitude $M = \sqrt{V_x^2 + V_y^2}$

frequency $\omega = 1/(R_1C_1R_2C_2)^{1/2}$

phase shift $p = \arctan(V_y/V_x)$

V_x and V_y are the integrating capacitor voltages on C_1 and C_2 at $t = 0$, or the initial condition voltages. This determines the amplitude and phase of the output voltages $V_{x'}$ and $V_{y'}$. Note that amplitude and phase are independent of the time constants R_1C_1 and R_2C_2 .

The frequency of the sine and cosine waves is only a function of the integrator time constants and independent of the initial conditions. $V_{x'}$ and $V_{y'}$ can be considered the x and y components of vector \mathbf{R} , which rotates with angular velocity $k\omega$.

The two output voltages, in terms of the initial voltages on the capacitors, are

$$V_{x'} = V_x \cos \omega t - V_y \sin \omega t$$

$$V_{y'} = V_y \cos \omega t + V_x \sin \omega t$$

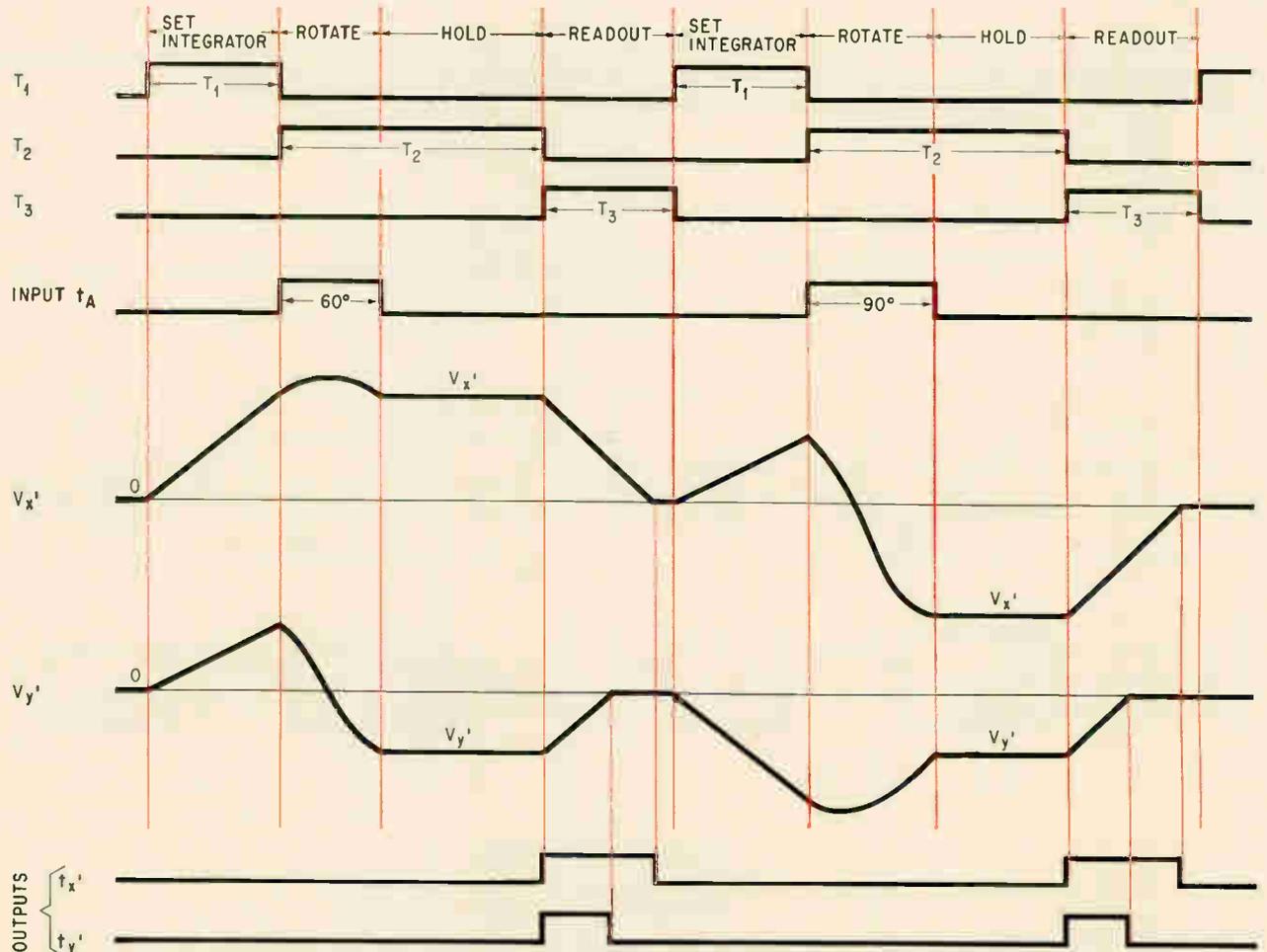
Notice the parallel between these equations and the graphically derived equations for coordinate rotation. To rotate a coordinate using the harmonic oscillator, S_2 and S_3 are closed long enough to charge C_1 and C_2 to voltages V_x and V_y , which are analogous to some initial rectangular coordinates. Vector \mathbf{R} rotates at some constant velocity when S_1 is closed so that the desired angle of rotation is directly proportional to time. After rotation, the new coordinates are determined from the values of voltages $V_{x'}$ and $V_{y'}$.

To change the rectangular coordinates represented by V_x and V_y to polar coordinates, S_1 is closed for time t until $V_{y'}$ is zero. $V_{x'}$ is then proportional to the polar coordinate's amplitude, and ωt is proportional to its angle.

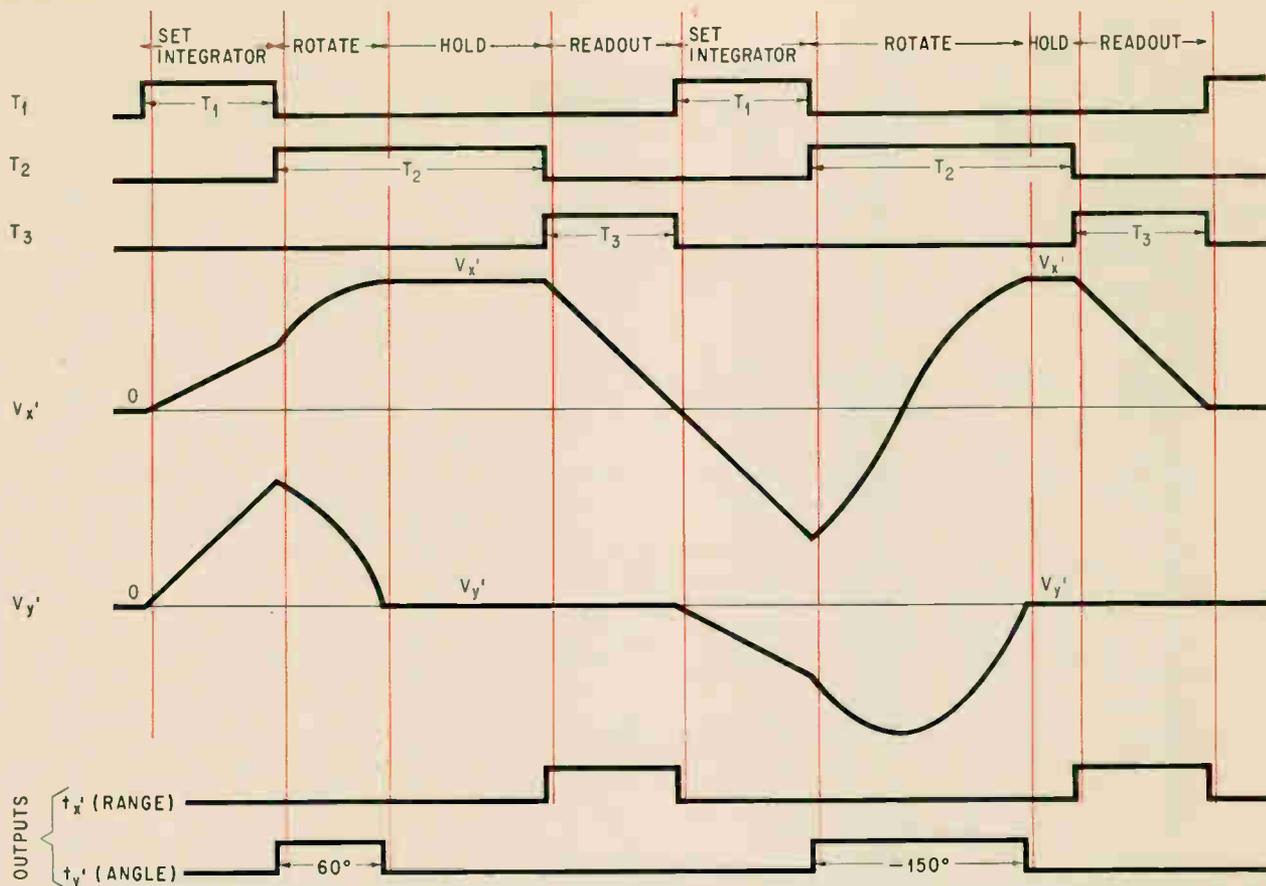
Controlling the resolver

In the electronic analog resolver, the harmonic oscillator switching is controlled by logic, zero detectors and timing circuits. In addition, the outputs of the harmonic oscillator, $V_{x'}$ and $V_{y'}$, are converted to pulses whose widths represent solutions.

Two basic functions—rotation and coordinate transformation—are accomplished by controlling



Operational sequence for coordinate rotation. At top are timing pulses. Representing the outputs of the integrators are $V_{x'}$ and $V_{y'}$. The final coordinates are given by the width of the pulses at the bottom.



Operational sequence for coordinate transformation. Note that one of the output pulses starts at T_2 , the other at T_3 .

the integrator initial conditions and the time during which the harmonic oscillator loop is closed, as shown in the block diagram at the bottom of page 91. Three timing intervals are provided:

During T_1 , initial conditions are set by integrating voltages V_x and V_y representing the initial position of R . During T_2 , R is rotated by closing the harmonic oscillator loop. Lastly, during T_3 , information is read out as pulses t_x and t_y with widths proportional to the values of the final coordinates of R .

Two sets of analog switches connect input or reference voltages to the integrator or connect the integrators and the inverter into a closed loop. Each set of switches is controlled by a logic circuit which combines command signals— S_r for rotation or S_t for transformation—zero-detector signals and the three timing pulses.

The resolver's operation during two successive coordinate rotations is illustrated by the waveforms in the figure at the left. V_x and V_y represent the outputs of the two integrators.

The initial conditions are set by integrating the input voltages during T_1 . During T_2 , R is rotated through an angle A for a time, t_A . Outputs V_x and V_y are sine and cosine waves; the phases are determined by the integrations of T_1 . From the end of t_A to the end of T_2 , V_x and V_y are held constant by opening the harmonic generator loop and removing the inputs to the integrators.

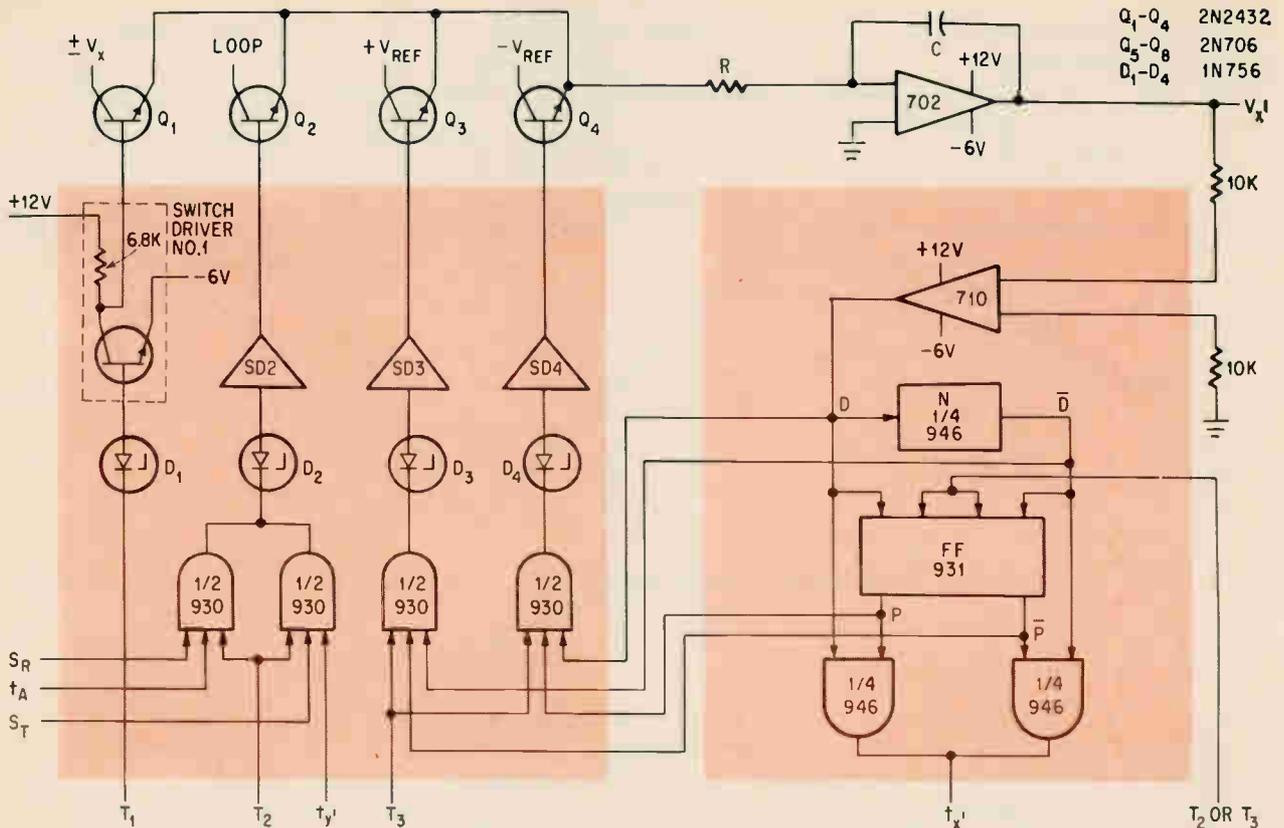
During T_3 , reference voltage $\pm V_{ref}$ is applied to the input of each integrator. These reference voltages are integrated until V_x and V_y go to zero. The length of pulses t_x and t_y starting at T_3 are analogous to the final rotated coordinates x' and y' .

The reference voltage V_{ref} , used on each integrator during T_3 , is in opposite polarity to V_x and V_y , the d-c voltage present at the end of T_2 .

With a change in logic, the resolver transforms rectangular coordinates to polar coordinates. Two such transformations are shown by the waveforms in the diagram on this page. As before, the initial voltages representing coordinates x and y are integrated during T_1 . But rotation during T_2 continues until V_y is zero because then V_x represents the magnitude of the polar coordinate. This voltage is then held at the output of the integrator for the remainder of T_2 and then reduced to zero during T_3 as the reference voltage is applied to the integrator input. The time needed for V_x to reach zero from time T_3 is again the length of pulse t_x , but this time t_x represents the magnitude of the polar coordinate. Its angle is represented by pulse t_y , which starts at time T_2 and continues until V_y is zero. Pulse t_y is also the zero-detecting pulse that terminates the rotation during T_2 .

Pulse-width modulator

In the EAR are two identical pulse-width modulators. The one to be described and shown in the



One of the two identical pulse-width modulators shown on page 91. Both use Fairchild, standard integrated circuits. Switch drivers and logic are shown in color panel at left. Zero detector is shown in the color panel at right.

schematic above is for the x-component. The other is for the y-component. Though the circuit was built with standard digital NAND/NOR-gate integrated circuits manufactured by the Semiconductor division of the Fairchild Camera & Instrument Corp., the equivalent AND/OR-gate logic is shown to simplify understanding of the operation.

The analog integrator is of conventional design with resistance R in the input and capacitance C in the feedback path of an IC operational amplifier (Fairchild μA 702).

The zero detector contains one analog comparator (Fairchild μA 710). It compares integrator output voltage V_x with ground to produce an on/off control signal (designated D)—positive when V_x is more than +2 millivolts, zero when V_x is less than -2 millivolts. From D , a logic inverter generates \bar{D} , which is zero when D is positive and positive when D is zero.

Next, a flip-flop operating as a one-bit shift register, produces signal P and \bar{P} , which have the same respective polarities as D and \bar{D} after the flip-flop has been triggered by the leading edge of T_2 or T_3 . The presence of both P and D or \bar{P} and \bar{D} during T_2 or T_3 generates the pulse t_x . The type of operation determines whether the pulse originates during T_2 or T_3 .

Only one of the transistors Q_1 through Q_4 is switched on at any one time to connect the appropriate analog voltage to the integrator. The zero

diode and switchdrivers boost the logic voltage to a level high enough to operate the switching transistors. The various logic functions of the electronic analog resolver are defined by these Boolean equations in terms of the "on" states of the transistors Q_1 through Q_4 and the logic inputs:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_1 &= T_1 \\
 Q_2 &= T_2 \cdot S_r \cdot t_A + T_2 \cdot S_t \cdot t_y \\
 Q_3 &= \bar{P} \cdot \bar{D} \cdot T_3 \\
 Q_4 &= P \cdot D \cdot T_3 \\
 t_x &= P \cdot D \cdot (T_2 + T_3) + \bar{P} \cdot \bar{D} \cdot (T_2 + T_3)
 \end{aligned}$$

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Continuous operation is near for uncooled diode lasers

Researchers are refining the material and improving fabrication techniques for GaAs lasers; they predict c-w operation at room temperature within a year

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This may be the year in which continuous-wave operation of a laser diode at room temperature is achieved.

One obstacle bars the way: the heat produced within the semiconductor by its threshold current—the minimum needed to initiate laser action. Boosting the current to the level needed to achieve lasing is self-defeating because the higher the current the higher the temperature of the diode, and the higher the temperature, the lower the efficiency of the diode. Ultimately, if the heat rises too high, the diode is destroyed.

The obvious solution to the heat problem—cryogenic cooling of the semiconductor—is too cumbersome and impractical. For the past few years, researchers at the Radio Corp. of America, among others, have been investigating diode lasers, specifically gallium arsenide injection lasers, and three directions have been under study in an effort to lower the threshold: improvement of the diode itself, improvement of the pn junction and reduction of the diode's thermal resistance.

Purer, more uniform semiconductor material is expected to result in higher power and better efficiency. The improvement in the pn junction is being accomplished through the use of epitaxial tech-

niques, which produces uniform, planar junctions; this alone is likely to lower threshold current density by factors of 10 to 100. And reduction of thermal resistance is being accomplished by making the material very thin.

A prediction and a goal

Results to date indicate c-w operation at room temperature will be achieved during 1966. Recently, RCA reported levels as low as 4 amperes at room temperature (300°K). The goal is about 0.5 ampere. At liquid nitrogen temperatures, however, threshold has been reduced to as low as 0.1 to 0.7 amperes.

Why turn to the diode in the first place? Can't the gas laser do the job without worrying about heat and threshold current?

To be sure, gas lasers have their place, but several unique features of the diode laser^{1, 2, 3} make it the perfect choice for many applications. For example, it is relatively cheap, potentially rugged, small, efficient, easy to modulate internally, and compatible with both transistor pulse-forming circuits and microcircuit fabrication techniques.

Aside from less heat, the lowering of the threshold level results in another advantage: the elimination of the complex and expensive pulse-forming circuits needed to pump the diode. At levels below 10 amperes the laser can be pumped by pulse-forming circuits with inexpensive power transistors.

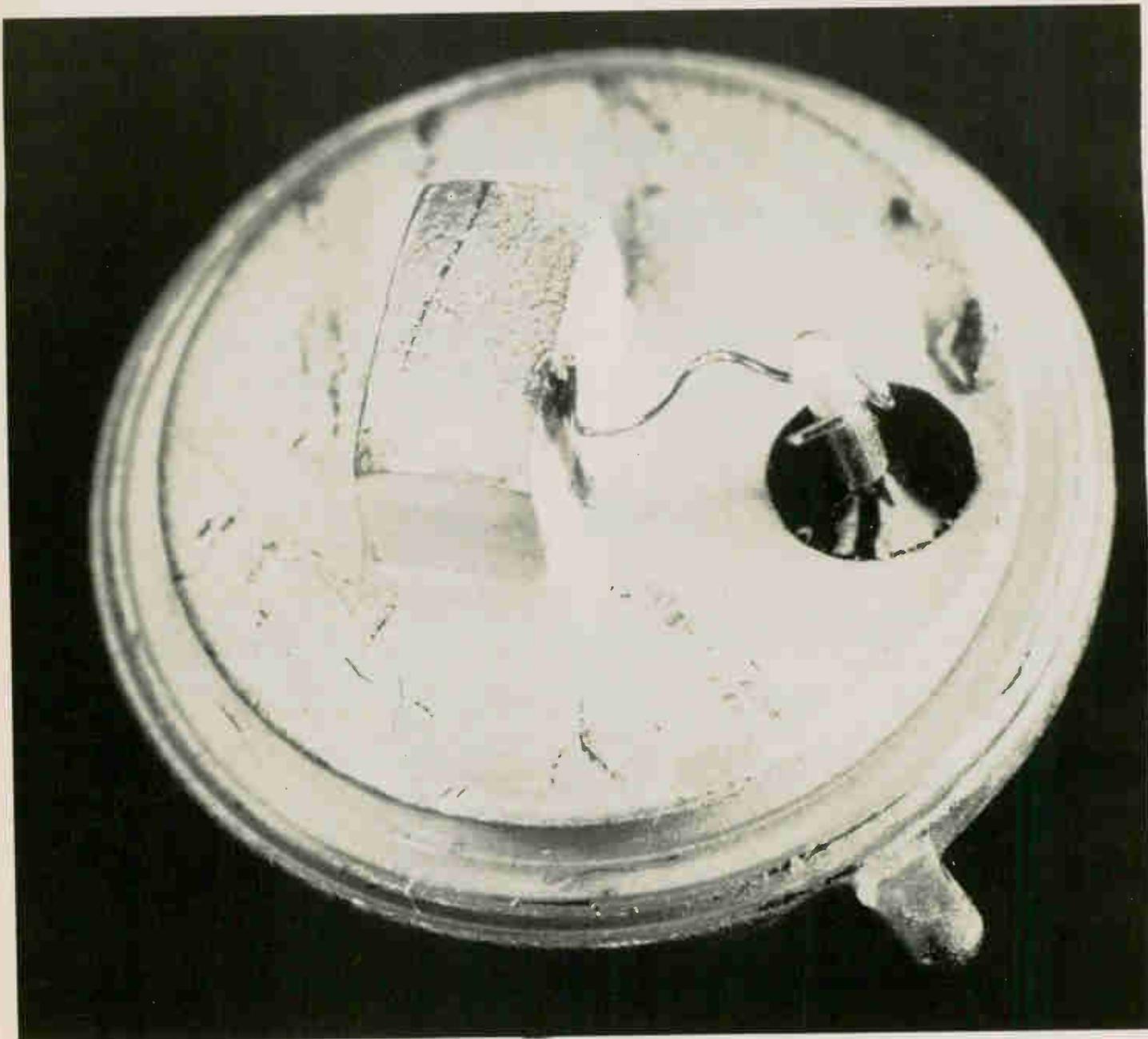
But why center the investigation on GaAs?

For one thing, the wavelength of GaAs lasers corresponds to the wavelength at which many common photodetectors are most efficient—a handy feature if the laser is to be used for communications or for radar and ranging. In addition, researchers have accumulated a wealth of knowledge about the material because of its use in transistors⁴, varactor

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Room-temperature GaAs injection laser is the black speck between the wire lead and the molybdenum block. It is alloyed to a specially designed transistor header. The laser's radiation is directed perpendicular to the plane of the header.

diodes⁵, solar cells⁶ and tunnel diodes⁷, making much of the present investigation easier.

Lengthening the pulses

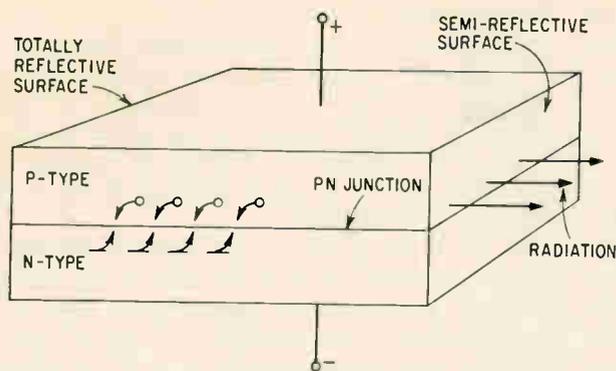
To be sure, not all of RCA's investigation has been directed toward c-w operation. For example, using GaAs, peak outputs of 60 watts have been achieved for 30-nanosecond pulses—about twice the level reported anywhere, and 20 watts for microsecond pulses—about 10 times the level previously reported. Efficiency in both cases was 40%. Additionally, at liquid nitrogen temperatures (77°K), threshold current has been lowered to 0.1 ampere—about a tenth of the previously reported level. Moreover, this performance has been accomplished

with pulses of microsecond lengths.

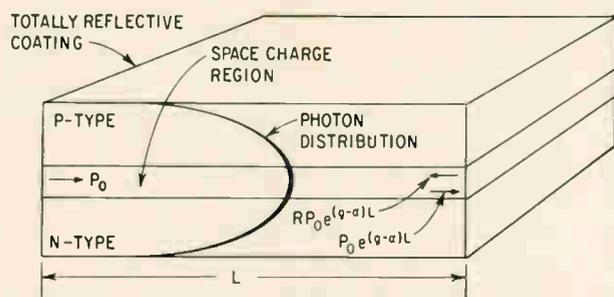
This reduction in threshold has been accomplished with a combination of exceptionally pure material and careful fabrication. First, gallium arsenide ingots of high purity and uniformity are used to obtain the diode wafers. The material is then made highly degenerate, that is, heavily doped. Finally, the use of epitaxial growth techniques makes possible the formation of highly planar junctions, free from irregularities.

The basic principles

A schematic of a pn junction, GaAs laser diode is shown on page 97. One end is coated with a totally reflective material and the other, the emit-



Forward-biased gallium arsenide laser diode. Holes from the p semiconductor material and electrons from the n material are injected into the space-charge region on either side of the junction. Upon recombination of the carriers, radiation is emitted from the diode.



After passing through the diode once, the relative power remaining in it must be equal to or greater than unity for positive feedback to exist. When the power is greater than unity, the population-inversion condition in the space-charge region gives rise to laser oscillations.

ting end, with a semireflective material. The diode is forward biased so that minority carriers (holes from the p-section, electrons from the n-section) are injected into the space-charge region. When the carriers recombine, the diode emits radiation, which is incoherent, or spontaneous, at low current densities, and has a line width of several hundred angstroms. However, if the current density is increased to about 30,000 amperes per square centimeter at 300°K, it produces population inversion—a condition in which the normal energy-level distribution of electrons is reversed (that is, more electrons are in high energy levels than in low energy levels). At this threshold current density, coherent radiation occurs. If the temperature is reduced, lower threshold current densities will produce emission.

Recombination occurs only when excess hole-electron pairs are present in the semiconductor material. Electrons at the conduction-band edge drop down into the valence-band edge, there recombine with holes, and give up energy in the form of either photons, phonons, or both. The mechanism of recombination, although influenced by temperature, injection level and crystalline perfection, is an inherent property of the semiconductor material. GaAs is a direct-band-gap, or direct-transition, semiconductor. In this case, an electron makes a

transition to the top of the valence band and gives up its energy as a photon without a change in crystal momentum. For the indirect-transition materials, such as silicon and germanium, a transition will occur only if at least one phonon is involved in the necessary dynamic process to conserve crystal momentum. Because a transition involving only a hole and an electron is more probable than one in which one or more phonons are also required, the radiative recombination process is more efficient, by several orders of magnitude, in direct-transition semiconductors.

The pn junction

Both spontaneous and stimulated emission occur in the space-charge region surrounding the pn junction; laser radiation oscillation also takes place in this region. The quantum efficiency depends in part on the degree to which the radiation extends into the inactive (absence of inverted population) n- and p-regions.

Positive feedback must be present to produce oscillation in the semiconductor material cavity. Consider the cavity at the left; if L is the length, P_0 is the power at one end, the power incident to the other end after one pass is $P_0 e^{(g-\alpha)L}$, where g is the gain from stimulated emission per unit length and α is the sum of cavity losses per unit length. Upon reflection from the end of the diode, the relative power remaining in the cavity must be equal to or greater than unity for positive feedback, i.e., $R e^{(g-\alpha)L} > 1$, where R is the reflectance. When this quantity is greater than unity, the population inversion condition in the space-charge region causes oscillations. At threshold, this relationship equals unity, and the gain per unit length is given by

$$g = \alpha + \frac{1}{L} \ln \frac{1}{R}$$

Thus, for a longer cavity with increased reflectance and reduced optical losses, the gain required for threshold is reduced and lasing occurs sooner.

At the high injection levels required for coherent radiation, the width of the space-charge region is probably less than a micron. However, photons cannot be restricted to a region equal to or less than their wavelength. Although the stimulated emission takes place between energy levels in a region one micron wide or less, the photons are distributed over a distance of 10 microns. Usually this is also the width of the light-emitting region surrounding the junction. Thus, some of the photons' energy is unavoidably dissipated through the inactive portion of the diode.

The spreading of the photon distribution into the inactive regions of the junction hurts laser performance. The inactive region does not contribute to gain from stimulated emission; it may, in fact possess a strong absorption characteristic that would reduce cavity Q , increase threshold and decrease external efficiency. It has been shown⁸ that increased absorption in the inactive p-region is re-

sponsible for increasing threshold and decreasing external efficiency at between 77°K and 300°K. This suggests that the internal efficiency of gallium arsenide is constant in this temperature range.

Spectra of a laser diode

How does temperature affect the spectra of a GaAs laser? Typical spectra are shown at the right. These spectra are resolved in time at one microsecond intervals and are obtained by scanning the output pulse.⁹ The obvious shift in laser radiation with time is caused by a junction temperature rise that occurs while the input pulse is applied. The line width for some typical lasers at 77°K is always less than 1 angstrom and generally less than 0.5 angstrom. As room temperature is approached, the line width increases to about 5 angstroms.¹⁰ At room temperature the laser radiation has a wavelength of approximately 9,000 angstroms; the separation between the discrete frequencies produced by the laser is 5 angstroms and increases slightly at room temperature with increased line width.

Many modes, or discrete frequencies, persist for four microseconds; however, the number decreases because of a rise in junction temperature. The higher the rate of temperature rise, the sooner the number of modes decreases. For some applications only a single mode containing all the laser's power is desirable. In that case, a very narrow band filter can be used with the laser and a high signal-to-noise ratio obtained from it.

Power vs. temperature

The figure on page 99 shows typical curves of power output as a function of input current over the temperature range of 100°K to 300°K.⁸ These data show that the power remains high, with only a decrease of 10% or less between 100°K and 150°K. Between 77°K (not shown) and 100°K there is no essential change in output.

The appreciable decrease observed from 150°K to 200°K is typical of most laser diodes. From 100°K to 200°K, the decrease is 35% for a current density of 21×10^4 amperes per square centimeter, but the drop rises to 75% at 4×10^4 amperes per square centimeter. The greater change at the lower current density is caused by the threshold offset at the higher temperature, not by a decrease in gain from stimulated emission. For the laser diode used in these measurements, the greatest decrease in output occurs between 200°K and 245°K; however, this behavior is not typical. In other diodes the decrease is considerably smaller in this temperature range; the greatest decrease occurs between 250°K and 300°K.

The slope $dP/d(J - J_{th})$ is proportional to the gain from stimulated emission, where P is the power, J is the current density and J_{th} is the threshold current density, i.e., the point on the curve at which the slope sharply increases. For this diode, the slope is nearly constant in the temperature range 100°K to 200°K. However, in other laser diodes this relatively constant slope is observed up

to a temperature of 250°K.

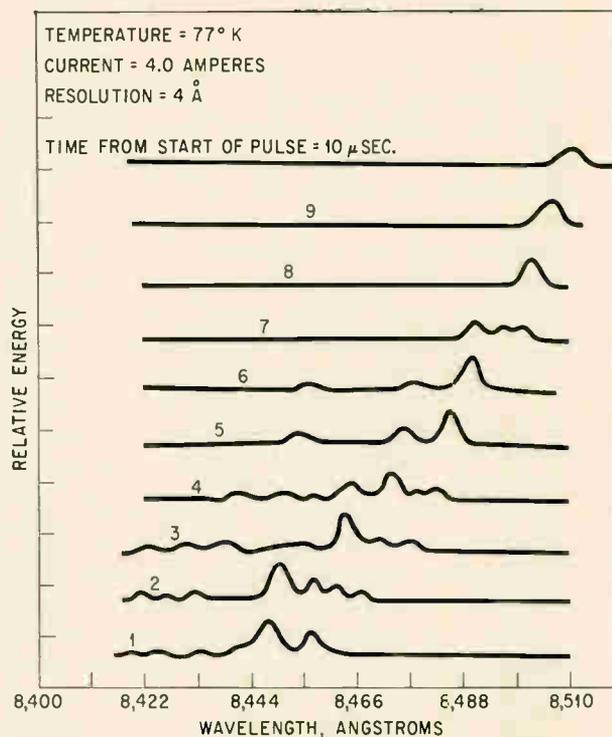
It has not yet been determined why this slope is relatively constant at these temperatures, but the effect is probably due to the degree of junction planarity. A small change in junction planarity can result in a nonuniform stimulated emission gain, and may even cause attenuation of the laser radiation due to absorption.

At lower temperatures, the laser oscillation may not be seriously affected because of the small absorption coefficient. At temperatures approaching 300°K, however, the absorption is greater and may influence the power output as well as threshold. Data have been presented¹⁰ which show that the line width and cavity undergo pronounced changes in the range 250°K to 300°K.

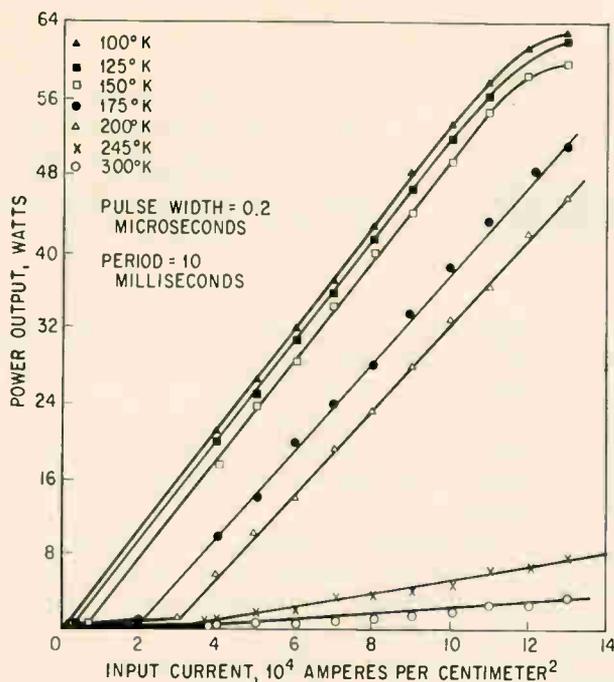
Effects of junction heating

Junction heating under d-c conditions either prevents coherent radiation or destroys the laser. Under pulse conditions the only pronounced limiting effect is a maximum pulse length over which coherent radiation can be observed. The major effects of junction temperature rise under pulse conditions are increase of threshold current, decrease in efficiency, shift of laser radiation line to longer wavelengths, increase in the line width over the temperature range 77°K to 300°K and increase in mode spacing in the same temperature range.

The figure at bottom shows the typical linear line shift with time caused by junction heating. For low current values the shift is proportional to



Spectra of a gallium arsenide laser are resolved in time at one microsecond intervals. When the input pulse is applied to the junction, temperature rises, causing the shift in wavelength of the radiation with time.



Curves of power output as a function of input current from 100°K to 300°K. For the diode whose characteristics are illustrated by the graph, the greatest decrease in output occurs between 200°K and 245°K, but other diodes show a much smaller power decrease at these temperatures. Most diodes show the greatest power decrease at 250°K to 300°K.

current, whereas for high current values it is proportional to the square of current.

If the detector has a slow response, the laser output cannot be resolved in time, and a single spectrum is obtained that essentially represents the envelope of the time-resolved spectra series. A slow detector, such as a resistance-capacitance integrating circuit, responds to energy, while a fast-response detector, such as a multiplier phototube, detects power.

Radiation pattern

Because of the small emitting region from which the laser radiation exits, the radiation from laser diodes is diffraction limited, i.e., it spreads a relatively large amount, and power density along the axis of the laser decreases. The best lasers have a beam spread of 1° parallel to the junction plane and 5° perpendicular to it. In some cases the spread is as large as 2° and 10°, respectively. Since very small beam spread is desired, the diameters of focusing lenses used with the laser must be relatively large—larger than the laser itself. But the size of the optics is still small compared with that for solid crystal and gas lasers.

Thermal resistance

Thermal resistance is mainly responsible for the laser's performance characteristics. Semiconductor materials exhibit smaller thermal conductivity than do most metals. To reduce their resistance, the junction area could be made large and the pellet

thinner. However, increasing the junction area results in a proportional increase in the required threshold current. It is difficult to handle pellets less than 3-mils thick without breaking them, so processing such pellets would result in higher costs. The problems encountered are similar to those which arise in power transistors.

Imperfect contact between the alloyed region and the GaAs crystal also contributes to the thermal resistance problem. Better contact would increase the thermal path for heat flux. And, since alloys usually have lower thermal conductivity than metals, the alloyed regions of the diode also add thermal resistance.

The thermal resistance of the semiconductor pellet is so high, that the package in which the laser is mounted, however small, does not add significantly to it at room temperature. Thus, laser diodes can be mounted in small packages which are desirable when used in conjunction with microwave modulators.

On the other hand, at reduced temperatures, the thermal conductivity of semiconductors is much higher, so a package with lower thermal resistance must be used to keep the over-all resistance low. Thus, a large, bulky package is usually required for optimum performance at low temperatures.

New technologies which will permit the laser to be constructed entirely by epitaxial growth should reduce thermal resistance by an order of magnitude.

Pressure contacts vs. solder

The low threshold currents reported in this article were achieved with the laser diode soldered to its contacts on a transistor header. This is particularly significant because other researchers have reported that laser action is degraded, if not destroyed, by the use of solder contacts. According to author Lamorte, the usual laboratory laser diode is designed with pressure contacts. A pressure contact, he says, is not suitable for commercial use because of poor reliability.

If injection lasers are ever to capture a significant portion of the laser market, Lamorte holds, they must be mass-produced with solder contacts, much like transistors.

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Two unijunction transistors produce three-state circuit

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Logic circuits are normally binary elements which store information by assuming either of two states. However, it is sometimes possible to reduce the number of components in a logic circuit by using trinary elements, which can assume three different states. In the circuit shown below an inexpensive trinary module has been designed by using the latching characteristics of unijunction transistors.

The three possible states are:

1. Terminal A at zero volts and terminal B at 1.5 v.
2. Terminals A and B both at 1.5 v.
3. Terminals A and B both at zero v.

These correspond to the absence of an input pulse or the arrival of positive or negative input pulse. Input pulses are ± 12 volts in amplitude and 300 microseconds in duration. A 12-volt, positive pulse at the reset terminal restores the circuit to state one.

A voltage divider consisting of R_3 and R_4 biases transistor Q_1 at 85% of its minimum peak-point or firing voltage. Transistor Q_2 is similarly biased by a divider consisting of R_5 and R_6 . In state one, Q_1 is off and terminal A is at zero volts; Q_2 is conducting and terminal B is at 1.5 volts.

If a positive input pulse appears, the peak-point current of Q_1 is exceeded and Q_1 turns on,

and the circuit enters state two. If the input pulse is negative, Q_2 is back-biased and is turned off. This produces state three.

The reset pulse turns off Q_1 by reverse-biasing the base-emitter junction and turns on Q_2 by making the emitter current rise above the peak-point value.

Temperature changes will shift the peak-point voltages and current of Q_1 and Q_2 . Resistors R_1 and R_7 reduce the variations over a moderate temperature range.

The trinary module was used as the basic building block for coding the dash, dot and space of Morse code symbols from a standard typewriter keyboard. Six circuits were triggered in parallel to form the code for any one symbol. The outputs of each module were connected to AND gates and were read out sequentially by the system's clock.

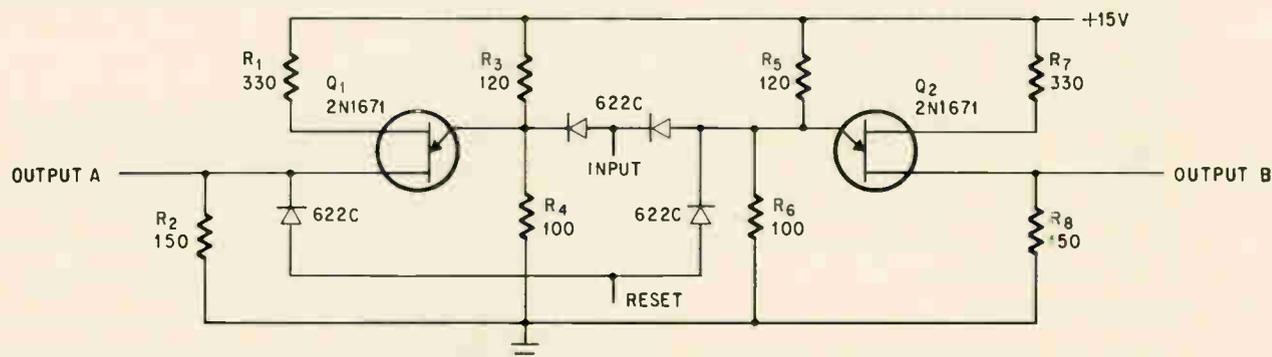
If binary circuits were used, 12 flip-flop circuits would be needed.

Electronic thermostat controls temperature to within 0.1°C

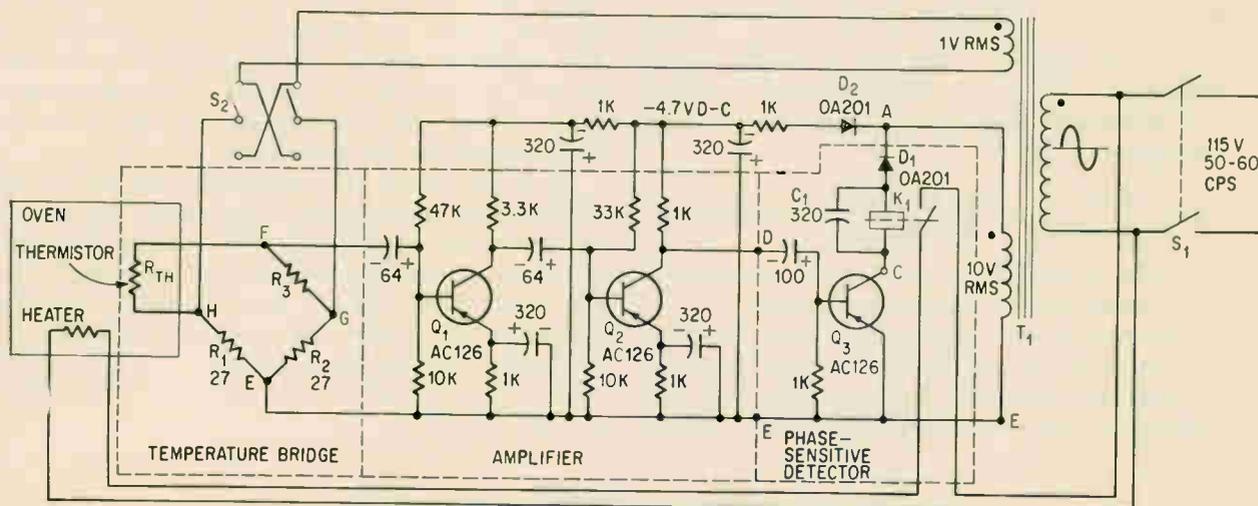
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Accurate temperature control requires that both the sensing device and the control circuitry respond to small changes in temperature. The electronic



Trinary logic element uses two inexpensive unijunction transistors to store information in three different states. Because unijunction transistors can be constructed from a bar of silicon, the trinary module may be easily converted into an integrated circuit.



Thermostat senses an unbalanced voltage across the Wheatstone bridge terminals FE, when the resistance of the thermistor R_{th} , changes with temperature. The amplified error signal actuates a relay which controls the heater voltage.

thermostat shown above, though relatively simple in design, can maintain the temperature T_o of a device to within 0.1°C between -25° and 200°C . The temperature T_o is fixed by the resistance of R_3 in the Wheatstone bridge at the left in the schematic. Continuous control over the entire temperature range may be obtained by replacing R_3 with a calibrated precision-potentiometer.

The circuit is shown with the phase-reversing switch, S_2 , in position to control an oven temperature above the ambient temperature. Thermistor R_{th} , which is placed in the oven and is part of the Wheatstone bridge, senses the change in temperature. The bridge's voltage source is a 60 cycles-per-second voltage obtained from the step-down winding on transformer T_1 . When the oven is at the desired temperature, the voltage $V_{FE} = 0$, where V_{FE} is the bridge-output voltage. This implies that $R_3 = R_{th}$. If the temperature decreases, the bridge is unbalanced and a 60 cps voltage, ΔV_{FE} , in phase with the line voltage appears across terminals FE. ΔV_{FE} is amplified by a factor of G in Q_1 and Q_2 and appears in phase with the line voltage at the base of Q_3 . Transistor Q_3 will conduct if both its base and collector are negative with respect to the emitter. This occurs on the negative half-cycle of the line voltage. If $G \Delta V_{FE}$ is large enough, relay K_1 in the collector of Q_3 is energized and closes a contact to apply heater-voltage to the oven. The relay is held in its energized position during the positive portions of the line voltage by capacitor C_1 . As the temperature of the oven rises to the temperature specified, the bridge becomes more balanced and the current through the relay decreases. Eventually the relay opens, removing power from the heaters. If the bridge passes through the balance point, the unbalanced voltage becomes out of phase with the line voltage and Q_3 no longer conducts. Therefore

Q_3 is a phase-sensitive detector in which the power line waveform is the phase reference.

If the temperature of a refrigerated unit is to be controlled, the relay would energize a solenoid-operated valve connected to the refrigerant. Switch S_2 is placed in its other position to maintain the proper phase relationships for operating the relay. In this instance the relay would be activated above the temperature T_o established by R_3 .

The circuit may be analyzed in the following manner. Near balance,

$$R_{th} \approx R_3 \quad \text{and} \quad (1)$$

$$\Delta V_{FE} \approx \frac{R_{th} - R_3}{4 R_{th}} V_{GH} = \frac{\Delta R_{th}}{4 R_{th}} V_{GH} \quad (2)$$

The resistance of the thermistor used in this circuit varied with temperature according to the relation

$$R_{th} T_o = R_{th} 25^\circ\text{C} \exp K(25^\circ - T_o) \quad (3)$$

where $R_{th} 25^\circ\text{C} = 1,000$ ohms and $K = 0.023$ per $^\circ\text{C}$ (4)

Therefore the ratio of the increase in the thermistor's resistance, caused by the drop in temperature, to the resistance R_{th} at the temperature T_o is approximately

$$\frac{\Delta R_{th} T_o - \Delta T}{R_{th} T_o} \approx K(\Delta T) \quad (5)$$

where ΔT is the drop in temperature and ΔR_{th} is the incremental increase in the resistance of the thermistor. Thus

$$\Delta V_{FE} \approx \frac{K(\Delta T)}{4} V_{GH} \quad (6)$$

This signal is amplified by Q_1 and Q_2 . Therefore, at the base of Q_3

$$V_{DE} \approx \frac{GK(\Delta T)}{4} V_{GH} \quad (7)$$

The sensitivity of the detector is such that the

relay is energized when $V_{DE} = 0.25$ volts root mean square (rms) and deenergized when $V_{DE} = 0.12$ volts rms. The gain $G = 300$, and the bridge supply voltage $V_{GH} = 1$ volt rms. Therefore from equation 7, the difference in temperature at which the relay is energized is

$$\Delta T = \frac{4 \Delta V_{DE}}{GKV_{GH}} = \frac{4(0.25 - 0.12)}{300(.023)(1)} = 0.075^{\circ}\text{C}$$

It can also be shown that the relay is deenergized 0.07°C before bridge balance is reached.

All resistors in the bridge should have 1% tolerances. Resistors R_1 and R_2 are the same type and value and are mounted closely together, so that temperature variations will not affect their relative

values. As a result, R_3 has the major influence over the temperature at which the thermostat operates. For maximum accuracy the temperature of R_3 must be held as constant as possible. The temperature range of the unit is determined by the allowable temperatures for the thermistor.

In the schematic, the transistors and diodes are of European manufacture. The diodes are silicon and must operate with 150 milliamperes. The transistors are germanium and have low-frequency current gains (β) of 150 at 1 ma. Npn transistors may be used if the diodes and polarized capacitors are reversed. The relay has a winding resistance of 130 ohms. A current of 15 milliamperes is required to actuate the relay.

Breadboarding IC systems with color-coded modules

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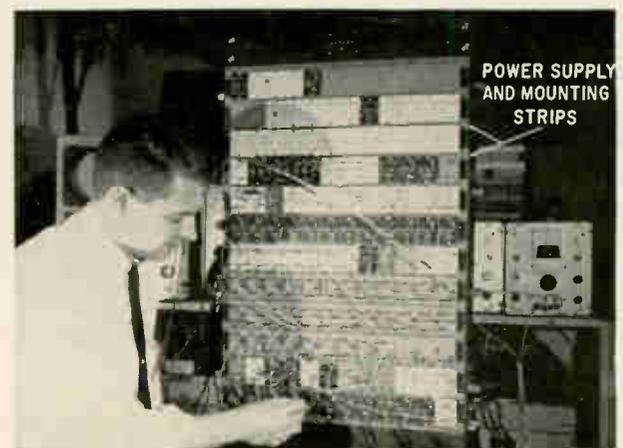
Integrated circuit packages, such as flatpacks, require special handling to prevent damage from excessive heat during soldering operations or lead breakage during testing. The problem is especially severe when breadboarding with flatpacks because interconnections are changed many times in the process of achieving the final design.

To reduce these problems, a technique has been developed that not only permits repeated changes in interconnections, but also saves a great deal of time in the design of new circuitry. It has also been useful and economical for integration of subsystems, for trouble shooting equipment, and for evaluation tests.

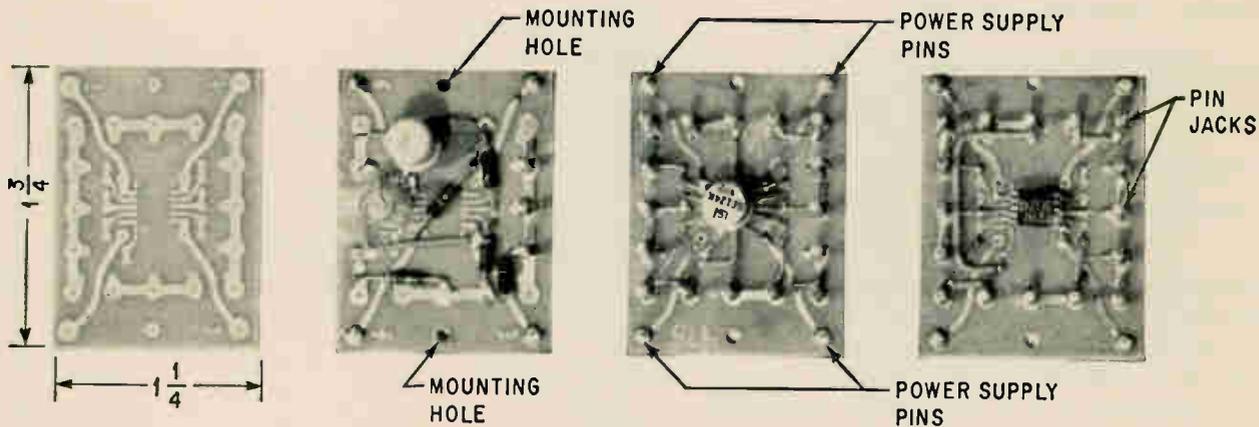
The photograph at the right shows a typical breadboard arrangement with 144 integrated circuit modules plugged into power-supply strips that are mounted across the face of a standard 19-inch rack. Each integrated circuit is mounted on its own printed circuit module with provisions for such additional discrete components as timing resistors, diodes or coupling capacitors. Integrated circuit packages and discrete components are mounted on the back of the modules and are not visible in the photograph. All modules are color-coded with decals that identify the pin connections and the logic function. Interconnections between modules are made with wires that have small pin-plugs on each end. The plugs mate with pin jacks mounted on the modules.

The reverse side of four modules can be seen in the top photograph on p. 103. The first board on the left shows the printed circuit wiring for a ten-lead, integrated-circuit package. The next board shows a standard TO-5 transistor and other discrete components mounted on the printed circuit. The third and fourth boards are wired for TO-5 case- and flat-package versions of the same integrated circuit logic element. All boards use the same printed circuit.

One basic etched circuit may be used for logic elements manufactured by a number of companies. The only changes required are in the pin connections and the decal on the front of the board. Pin connections may be changed by removing portions of the etched conductor and by wiring between points. For example, the same basic printed circuit layout may be used for Sylvania's SUHL line, for



Integrated circuit packages are mounted on individual modules and are interconnected to set up a breadboard circuit. Power is supplied through a printed circuit board that is sandwiched between insulator strips mounted along the face of the rack.



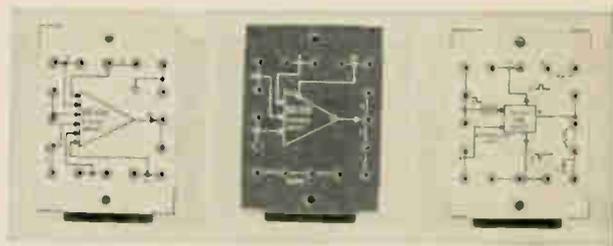
Modules are supplied with mounting holes for inserting a thumb-screw that engages a threaded hole on the mounting strips. Terminals are miniature pin jacks which accept pin plugs for interconnecting the modules. In each of the four corners is a pin for a pressure connection to the power-supply strips.

Signetics' SE100 line and for Texas Instruments' Series 53. Decals are easily and inexpensively made from "Scotch-Cal," a product of the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Corp. Three boards using the same etched circuit for different logic functions are shown in the photograph at the right.

Special purpose modules can be constructed for testing and for mounting other devices such as miniature relays and crystals. As an example, read-out circuits are mounted on the bottom row of the rack in the photograph on page 102. The lamp driver circuit and a small incandescent bulb provide a very useful indicator module for showing logic levels at various points in a digital system.

The modules are mounted on aluminum angle-brackets. On the surface of each angle bracket is a sandwich assembly consisting of a strip of circuit board between two strips of insulation. Four etched conductors on each printed circuit strip are used as power lines. Holes are drilled in the outer insulator strip to allow the power-supply pins on the module to make contact with the etched conductors. To insure good contact, small "fuzz buttons" made of copper wire-mesh are trapped between the conductor and the outer layer of insulation. The modules are firmly mounted to the strips by small thumb screws which engage tapped holes regularly spaced on the aluminum angle-bracket. This procedure for obtaining power connections by standardized pin-layouts minimizes wiring errors that cause damaged circuits.

In working with the system a variety of modules are "plugged" into the rack and are automatically supplied with power by the power-supply printed circuit board. Interconnections are then made for the circuit that is to be breadboarded. Entire systems of counters, shift registers, gating circuitry, line drivers and readout indicators can be interconnected and tested as a complete unit. Voltages from external power supplies and input signal



Color-coded decals, affixed to boards using the same printed circuit, differentiate the various logic functions. The decals also indicate the interconnection terminals and the discrete components mounted on the boards.

generators can be varied readily for worst-case analysis effects.

Breadboard systems such as the one in the photograph have been used at Sylvania in the design of Minuteman ground-support equipment. The technique has been used successfully at frequencies as high as 2.5 megacycles per second. If the breadboard is laid out and interconnected carefully, the frequency range may be extended.

The circuit modules are extremely sturdy and can be used over and over again. Also, the test setups can be used in many phases of developing deliverable hardware. Certain breadboard circuits like multielement shift registers are needed so often that they are kept mounted on a strip and ready to use. Some functions have been assembled to serve as simulators or special test devices during evaluation test programs.

Another feature of the technique is that a draftsman can derive a logic diagram directly from the breadboard. When time is critical, close-up photographs can record all the information required for a drawing. On the other hand, once a logic drawing exists and the modules are available, a relatively inexperienced technician can easily put together a complicated breadboard system.

Curves speed design of multiplier circuits

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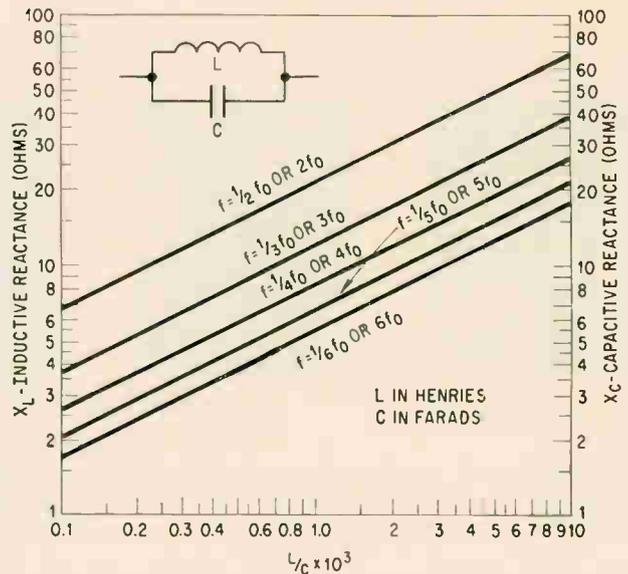
Frequency multipliers are circuits that permit current flow at several different frequencies. A varactor frequency-doubler circuit shown below is a typical example of a multiplier. Parallel resonant circuits or traps consisting of an inductance, L , in parallel with a capacitance, C , are used at the output of the doubler to reject the fundamental current. Similarly, a trap in the input circuit keeps second harmonic voltage from appearing across the generator terminals.

The usual design procedure for such a stage begins with the selection of components of a resonant trap circuit to stop current flow at one frequency, followed by calculation of the equivalent reactance of this trap at other frequencies of interest. In many cases, this reactance is used as part of the matching circuit. The equivalent reactance for various ratios of L and C can be determined by the relatively complex impedance-equation given by

$$Z = \frac{(j\omega L) \left(\frac{-j}{\omega C} \right)}{j \left(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C} \right)} \quad (1)$$

However, calculations by this method are tedious and time consuming.

The graph at the right enables the impedance to be determined easily from the ratio L/C . The reactance of the parallel resonant circuit is shown at frequencies f , which are either higher or lower than the resonant frequency f_0 . The left hand ordinate is the inductive reactance, X_L , of the tuned circuit when the frequency, f , is less than f_0 . The right hand ordinate is the capacitive reactance, X_C , of the circuit when the frequency, f , is greater than f_0 . The graph is based on the relationship



Reactance curves show the impedance of a lossless parallel-resonant circuit as a function of the L/C ratio.

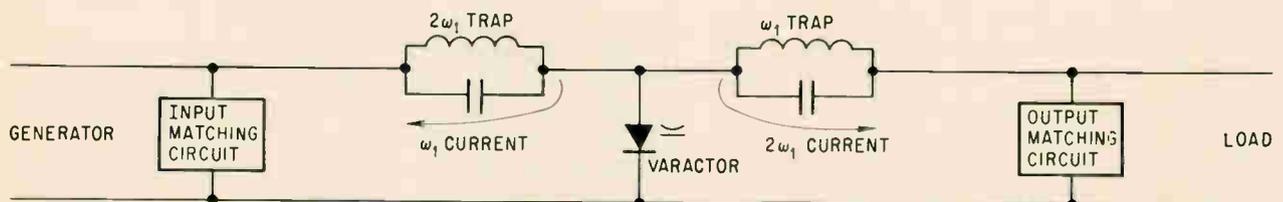
$$\log Z = - \log \left| \frac{(f/f_0)^2 - 1}{f/f_0} \right| + \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{L}{C} \quad (2)$$

which is derived from equation 1.

An example illustrates the use of the curves. Assume that $L/C = 400$. To determine the reactance at a frequency $f_0/2$, the graph is entered on the ordinate at the point marked 0.4 which corresponds to $L/C = 400$. A vertical line drawn upward crosses the line $f = \frac{1}{2} f_0$, at $X_L = 13$ ohms.

If the L/C ratio falls outside the range of the graph, the values of L/C are multiplied by 10^2 and the reactances are multiplied by 10. If the L/C ratios are multiplied by 10^{-2} the reactances are multiplied by 10^{-1} . Using the same example as before, except with $L/C = 40 \times 10^3$, the inductive reactance at $f = \frac{1}{2} f_0$ would be about 130 ohms. If in the same example, $L/C = 4$, the inductive reactance of the circuit would be 1.3 ohms. In most practical applications the L/C ratio will fall within the range shown on the graph.

The graph is derived by assuming that the resistance in the resonant circuit is zero. For most experimental work, the small error introduced by this assumption can be ignored.



Varactor doubler uses traps for filtering and for matching the diode impedance. The traps are resonant at radian frequencies ω_1 and ω_2 .

Tunnel-diode oscillator expands f-m system's channel capacity

Voltage-controlled oscillator performs well at frequencies up to 200 Mc, accommodates 600 channels with less power, improves linearity and sensitivity, and is easy to build

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In wideband frequency-modulation systems for telemetry, satellite communications and other applications that require a large number of information channels, performance depends mainly on the characteristics of the voltage-controlled oscillator (vco). The vco, in the modulators or demodulators, produces the necessary frequency deviation. The most important requirement is that the vco produce a wide frequency swing relative to the center frequency—and in a highly linear fashion—when a small control voltage is applied.

With tunnel diodes, which can switch at high speed, as the oscillating elements, a new vco circuit works excellently at frequencies to at least 200 megacycles per second and is simple to build. Its simplicity is an added advantage over more complex competitors like the varactor-controlled oscillator and the klystron.

The two tunnel diodes in this vco are located in an astable multivibrator circuit designed to produce a symmetrical square-wave output.

If the multivibrator had been built with transis-

tors—say a pair of 1-gigacycle devices—the multivibrator might have a 30-Mc center frequency and a sensitivity of 25 Mc per volt. At frequencies above 70 Mc, switching in nanoseconds—the kind of speed delivered by a tunnel diode—is required. The resulting tunnel diode circuit is simple, with little phase shift, and requires a minimum of adjustment; high sensitivity to control voltage is obtained with this circuit.

The only disadvantage is that the tunnel diode has a low-output power which has to be amplified to drive a phase detector or mixer.

Tunnel-diode vco analysis

The multivibrator oscillates when the tunnel diodes alternately switch between their high- and low-voltage states.

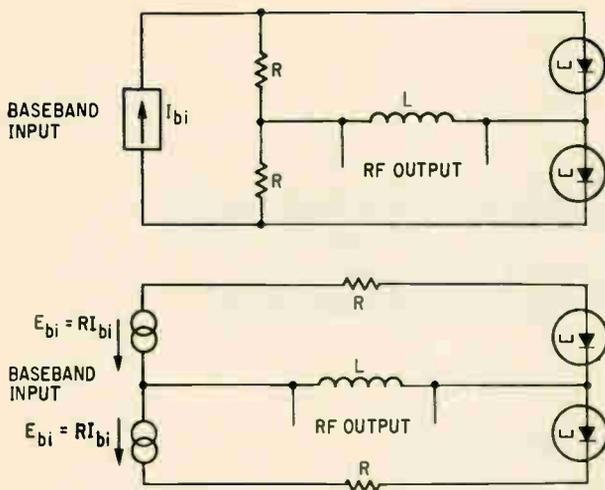
In the circuit diagram, page 106, top, the tunnel diodes are identical and resistance R is less than the minimum negative resistance r_d of either tunnel diode. Although the circuit has a baseband input current, it is more conveniently analyzed through voltage $E_{bi} = RI_{bi}$.

To understand how the circuit oscillates, assume that because of the circuit symmetry, the diode voltages are equal—corresponding to zero voltage across inductor L —and the diodes are biased in the negative-resistance region. Because this is an unstable condition, the operating points of both diodes will shift so that one is at high voltage and the other at low voltage with initially equal currents through them. The voltage induced across inductor L decays toward zero at a rate determined by four values: L , R , the positive dynamic resistance of the diodes, and the final current through L . All of these

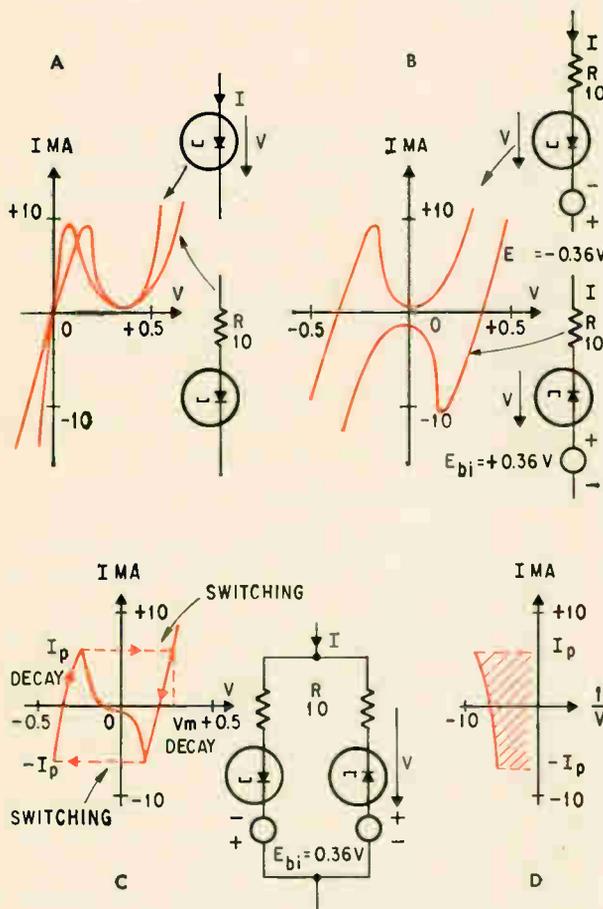
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Basic circuit of a tunnel-diode oscillator with constant-current drive, top, and its equivalent circuit, bottom. The circuit oscillates because the tunnel diodes alternately switch between their high- and low-voltage regions.



Graphic analysis of the vco's composite characteristic is obtained by adding the effect of the series resistance to the tunnel diode's V-I curves (A), then adding the effect of the series voltage and plotting the resulting curves for both branches on the same coordinates (B), and finally adding these curves (C). The shaded area (D) represents the integral of $(1/V)di$ evaluated between $-I_p$ and $+I_p$. This area is used to calculate the period.

values affect the operating frequency. When the current through L brings the diodes into the negative resistance regions of their characteristics, switching takes place and the diodes become biased in opposite directions.

The symmetry of the circuit produces a nearly square output voltage waveshape with a slight tilt, caused by the decay of voltage across L during each half cycle.

To facilitate analysis, the vco with a current-source baseband input I_{bi} may be replaced by an equivalent voltage-source baseband input E_{bi} as in the equivalent circuit diagram at the left. Because the tunnel diode V-I characteristic is non-linear, the vco's frequency versus voltage characteristic is most conveniently derived by graphic methods illustrated in the diagram below. For this analysis, $R = 10$ ohms, $E_{bi} = 0.36$ volt, and the V-I characteristic is measured for an RCA IN3858 germanium tunnel diode.

This analysis is done to construct the V-I characteristics of the entire vco circuit measured at the inductor terminals. This is accomplished in four steps. First, as shown in A, the series resistance R is added to the tunnel diode and the combined V-I characteristic is plotted. Second, the effect of E_{bi} is added to the resulting characteristic. Third, on the same coordinates, the curves for the series combination of tunnel diode, R and E_{bi} for both circuit branches are plotted. These curves are shown by B. Fourth, these curves, point by point, are added to obtain the composite V-I characteristic for the entire circuit represented by the solid line in C.

The multivibrator action in the vco is shown by the circulating arrows on the composite characteristic for the total vco circuit. An exponential decay in voltage across the inductor alternates with switching across the negative-resistance region. Switching time is negligible compared with the decay time, so the decay time is essentially half the radio-frequency period of the voltage-controlled-oscillator.

From the defining equation for the voltage across

$$\text{an inductor, } V = -L \frac{di}{dt},$$

the half-wave period is

$$\frac{T}{2} = -L \int_{-I_p}^{+I_p} \frac{1}{V} di$$

The integral is evaluated graphically by replotting the left-hand portion of the composite characteristic between

$$-I_p \text{ and } +I_p \text{ as a function of } \frac{1}{V}$$

and calculating the area under the curve, as shown in figure D.

From this graphic analysis, curves for frequency versus current and waveshape amplitude versus current were calculated from composite characteristics obtained for different values of I_{bi} . These

curves are for two values of R in the top and middle diagrams shown at the right. The abscissa is baseband input current times resistance R . In the frequency diagram, the ordinate is the product of frequency times inductance L .

Frequency curves

The amplitude curves show little variation over most of the range of I_{bi} . The frequency curves consist of three regions:

1. Frequency decreases rapidly as I_{bi} increases;
2. Frequency increases gradually with I_{bi} ;
3. Frequency increases rapidly with I_{bi} .

The composite characteristics of page 106 are related to these regions.

In region 1, an increase in I_{bi} causes a large increase in I_p while the positive dynamic resistance of the vco circuit decreases. The increase in I_p extends the range of current decay and the decrease in resistance retards the rate of decay. Both effects increase the half-wave period.

In region 2, as I_{bi} increases, I_p remains nearly constant and the circuit's dynamic resistance continues to decrease. The result is a moderate positive slope in the frequency-voltage characteristic in this region.

In region 3, I_p decreases rapidly with an increase in I_{bi} while the circuit's dynamic resistance remains nearly constant. So, frequency increases rapidly as a function of voltage.

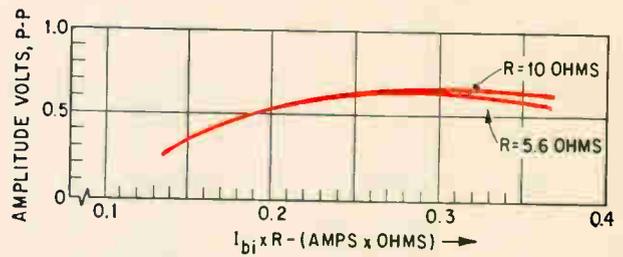
In region 3, if L is chosen so that a frequency of 70 Mc corresponds to the center of this region, then the useful frequency swing is about plus or minus 15 Mc. The sensitivity is 7.3 Mc/milliampere for $R = 5.6$ ohms and 10.4 Mc/milliampere for $R = 10$ ohms. Frequency sensitivity is rated in terms of current for convenience, although it could also be rated in terms of voltage.

Region 1 was not used because tests showed that quiescent I_{bi} required critical adjustment and the amplitude of the output waveshape varies too much. The linear portion of region 2 could have been used, but it has marginal range for a ± 10 -Mc deviation at 70 Mc.

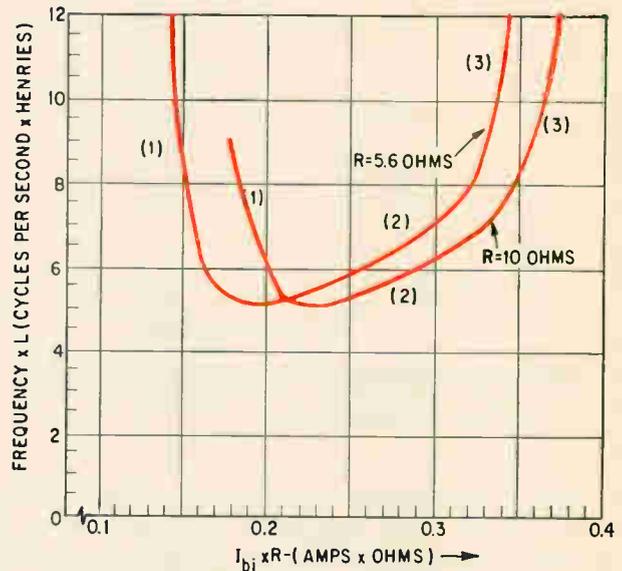
Testing the vco

The performance of a tunnel-diode vco designed with $R = 10$ ohms and $L = 0.1$ microhenry was measured at a 70-Mc center frequency. This value of R was less than r_d , but large enough to provide high current sensitivity with a moderate quiescent drive requirement. The frequency-response curves at the right and on page 108, top, were measured with the vco fed by the collector of a transistor, which in turn was driven by an emitter follower. For the frequency-current characteristic, the current I_{bi} was derived by measuring the voltage across a 22-ohm resistor in the emitter circuit of the transistor feeding the oscillator. For the frequency-voltage characteristic, the voltage E_{be} —the sum of the diode voltages—was measured directly across the input terminals.

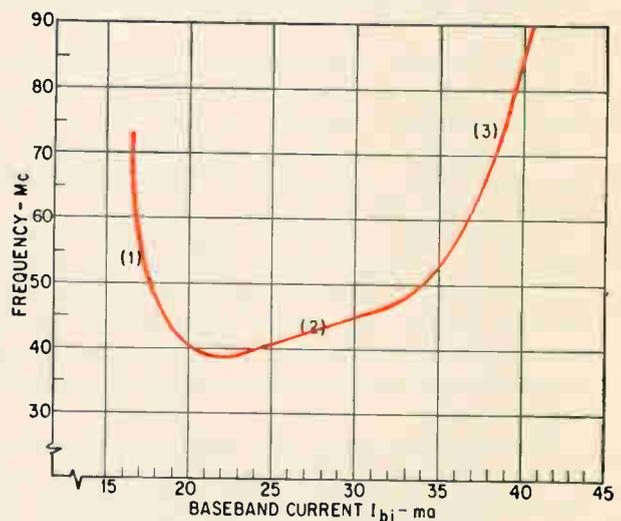
With current drive, shown in the first curve, re-



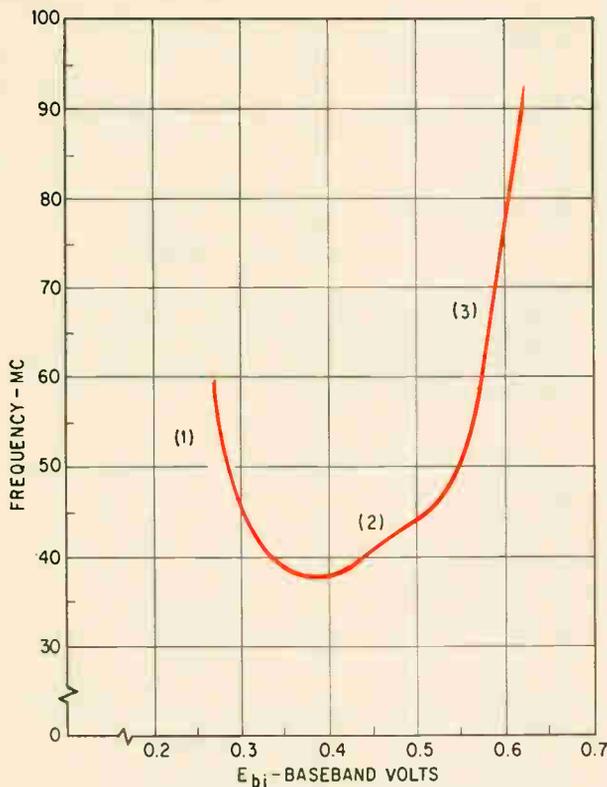
Vco's output waveshape amplitude characteristics are calculated from the graphic analysis of composite characteristics obtained from different baseband input current values. The amplitude varies little over most of the range of input currents.



Vco's frequency characteristics, as calculated from the graphic analysis, consists of three regions. Of these, region 3 is the most useful because it has a frequency swing of about ± 15 Mc about a 70-Mc center frequency, and sensitivities of 7.3 Mc/ma for $R = 5.6$ ohms and 10.4 Mc/ma for $R = 10$ ohms. Region 2 has a frequency swing of only ± 10 Mc and region 1 is not generally useful because quiescent I_{bi} requires critical adjustment.



Measured frequency-baseband current characteristics. Region 3 has a 40% bandwidth with respect to 74-Mc center frequency.



Vco frequency characteristics measured as a function of voltage drive results in better linearity in the useful region than from current drive.

Region 3 corresponds to a frequency range of 59 to 89 Mc—a 40% bandwidth with respect to the center frequency of 74 Mc. Measured sensitivity at 74 Mc is 10.3 Mc per ma and agrees closely with the sensitivity of 10.4 Mc per milliamperere calculated from the curves on page 106. Although region 2 of this curve is more linear, it extends only from 37.5 Mc to 44 Mc—a 16% bandwidth about a center frequency of 41 Mc—and the sensitivity is only 0.92 Mc per milliamperere. If region 2 were centered at 70 megacycles by decreasing the value of the inductor L, the sensitivity would be proportionately greater.

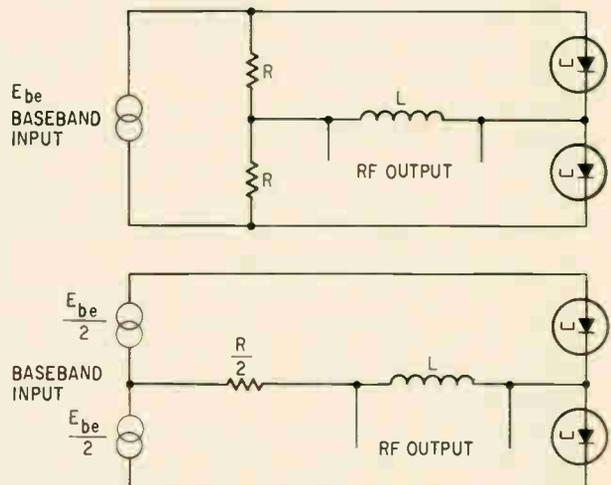
Better linearity is obtained with constant-voltage drive in region 3. Sensitivity is 580 Mc per volt. Region 2 extends from 37.5 to 43.5 Mc, a 14.8% bandwidth, and sensitivity is 60 Mc per volt. If this region were centered at 70 Mc, the sensitivity would be 104 Mc per volt.

Unfortunately, constant-voltage drive is more difficult to produce because the vco is a low-impedance circuit, requiring about 40 milliamperes. At this current, the output impedance of several cascaded emitter followers should be low enough to approximate the output impedance of a constant-voltage source.

Characteristics for a vco with constant-voltage drive can be calculated by a graphic analysis similar to that for the current drive. The circuit diagrams shown above represent a voltage-driven vco and a two-mesh equivalent circuit used in the analysis.

Spurious oscillations suppressed

Care must be taken to prevent spurious oscillations in a vco circuit. Because of its high-frequency capabilities, a tunnel diode tends to oscillate at frequencies determined by the parasitic parameters of a circuit, such as shunt capacitance and the inductance of the lead wires. In the experimental model of the vco, ultrahigh-frequency oscillations were suppressed by inserting ferrite beads in series with the baseband input leads. The beads have



Constant-voltage drive provides better linearity in region 3 than constant-current drive, although it may be difficult to build the circuit because of the vco's low input impedance. The actual circuit, top, can also be analyzed graphically using its equivalent circuit, bottom.

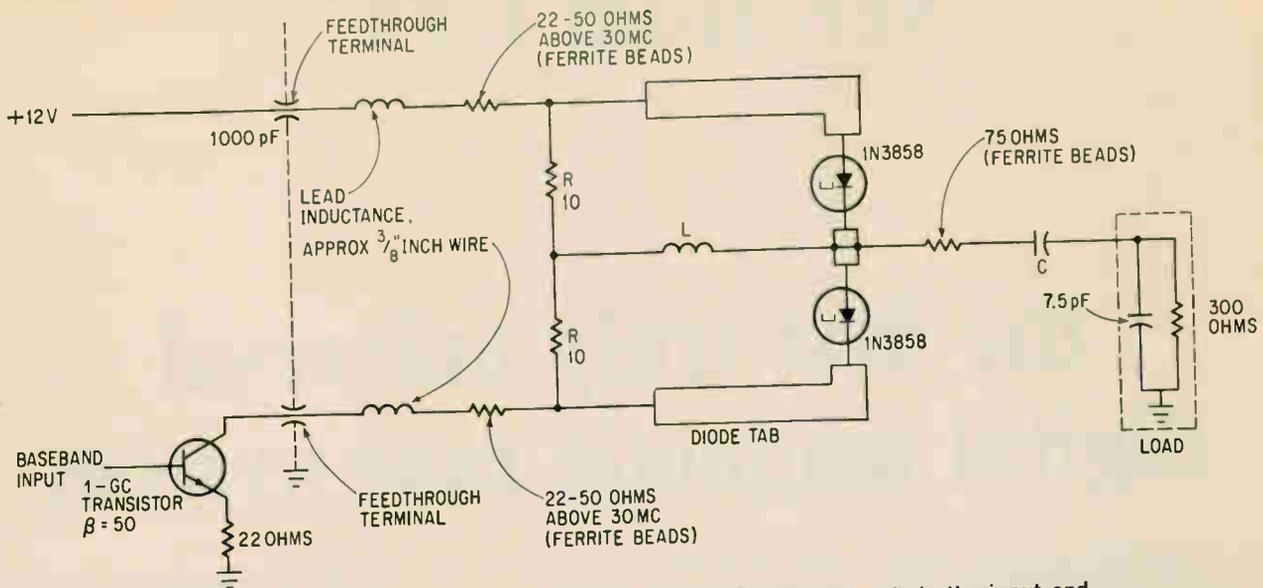
about 25 ohms resistance and thus lower the Q of the lead inductance. One or two beads connected in each lead allows stable, noise-free modulation of the vco.

Spurious oscillation also occurs from shunt capacitance in the circuit in combination with the total resistance and inductance L. For the circuit shown above these oscillations occur at 120 Mc. To suppress them, the vco capacitance loading was minimized and a wire holding 3 ferrite beads connected from the ends of inductor L to the base of an emitter-degenerated stage with an input impedance of 7.5 picofarads and 300 ohms in parallel at 70 Mc.

With constant-current drive as in the diagram on page 109, one baseband lead to the vco is effectively grounded. Little signal loss results from taking the output between one side of L and ground, instead of directly across L.

Phase-locked detector

In a phase-locked, f-m threshold detector for several hundred frequency-division multiplexed channels, the vco's loop delay is as important as the need for high linearity and sensitivity. Wide frequency range is also necessary for the high deviation ratios required for satellite communications systems.



Spurious oscillations are suppressed in the tunnel diode vco by inserting ferrite beads in the input and output connections to reduce the Q of the inductance in the leads.

The baseband frequency response of vco, with a 70-Mc center frequency, has a measured low-frequency cutoff at 5 Mc. This causes a 30° excess phase shift at 2.66 Mc—the maximum frequency of a 600-channel baseband—and is the main reason for the measured phase shift of 40° for the entire discriminator feedback loop. Excess phase shift limits the amount of feedback that can be applied to obtain optimum threshold performance or to reduce the distortions caused by the nonlinearity of loop components.

What produces the low-pass response is undetermined. However, since L must be involved, the baseband cutoff frequency should increase proportionally with the center frequency. For example, if the center frequency were 120 Mc, the excess phase shift at 2.5 Mc would be approximately 17° .

Noise power ratio (npr) of the detector was measured with the vco operating in region 3 at a 70-Mc center frequency and with constant-current drive. The npr is the ratio of the power in an occupied channel to the power spilling over from adjacent channels. With a 552-kc baseband frequency—corresponding to 120 channels—and ± 2.5 -Mc vco frequency deviation, a npr of 43 db was measured in the highest channel and 57 db in the lowest channel. These npr values correspond to signal-to-noise ratios of 58 and 72 db.

The tunnel diode circuit showed a 6.5 db threshold improvement over open loop detectors with the same 600-channel baseband capacity.

Flexible signal-to-noise ratio

With the growing trend toward greater deviations and wider basebands in f-m systems, the voltage-controlled oscillator described in this article should prove useful.

One result of this trend would be an increase in information capacity, such as the number of telephone channels that can be transmitted as fre-

quency-division multiplex. Another result would be further utilization of the noise-suppressing properties of frequency modulation. Frequency modulation permits the transmitter's peak power to be received with less noise. Compared with single-sideband amplitude modulation, for example, f-m also provides a certain amount of design flexibility in improving signal-to-noise ratio by permitting adjustment of the deviation ratio. The deviation ratio is the ratio of the maximum frequency excursion of the carrier to the highest frequency in the baseband signal. Above the system's noise threshold, the output signal-to-noise ratio is proportional to the carrier-to-noise ratio at the demodulator. However, signal-to-noise ratio is also proportional to the square of the deviation ratio.

Thus, while satellite transmitter output power is severely limited by the space allowed for the power supply, the signal-to-noise ratio can be maintained at a high value by increasing the deviation ratio. Therefore, a system able to accommodate wide-deviation signals is especially valuable when reduced threshold demodulators are used, such as would be necessary for a satellite communications system.

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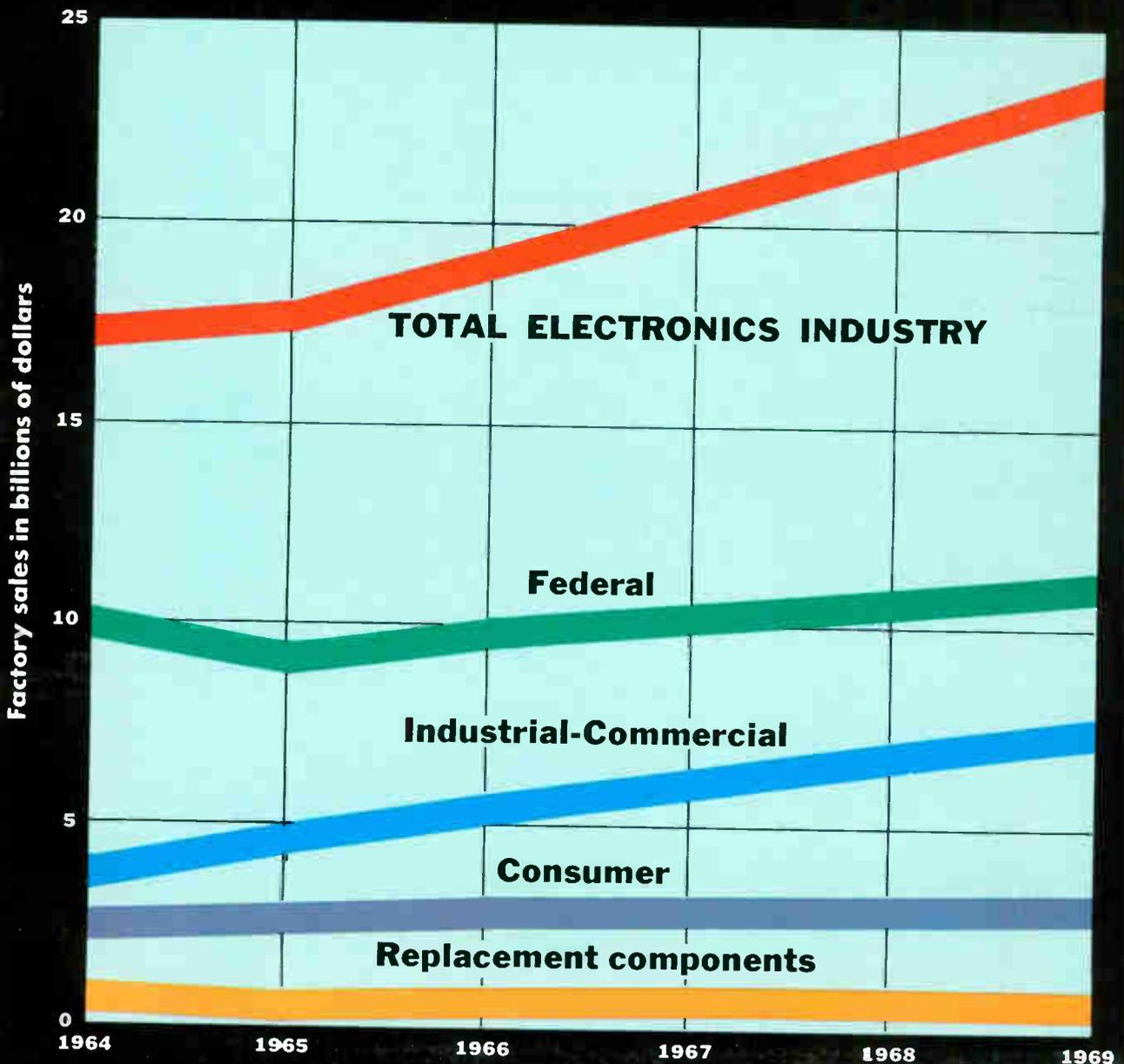
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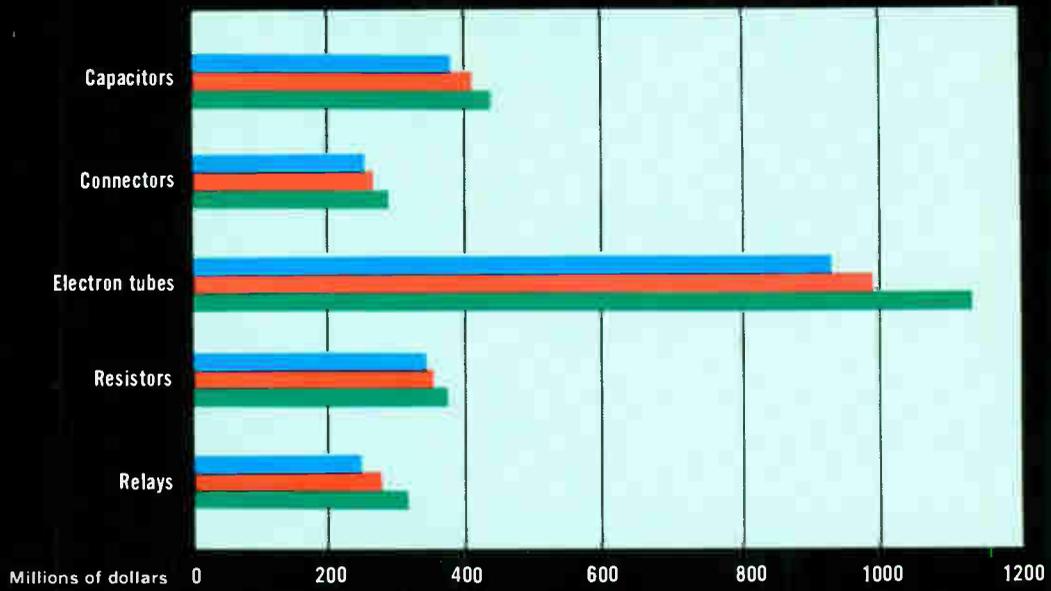
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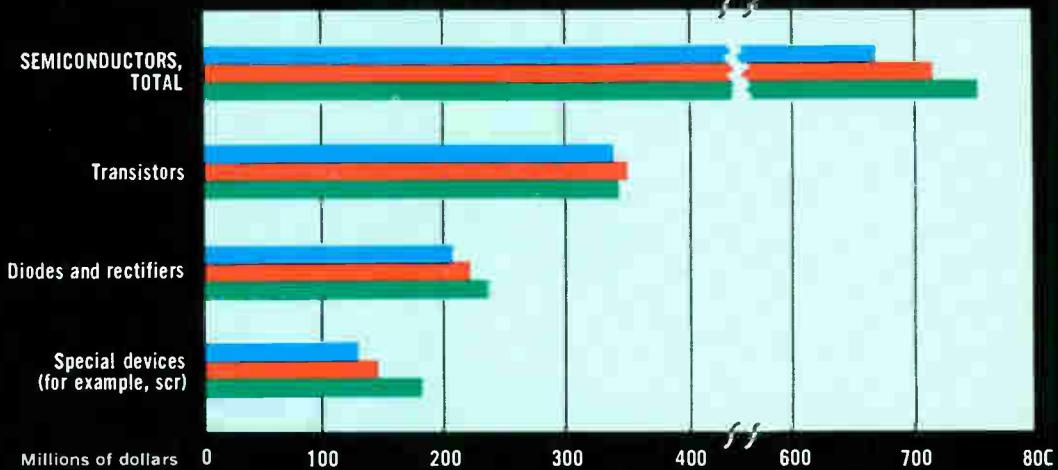
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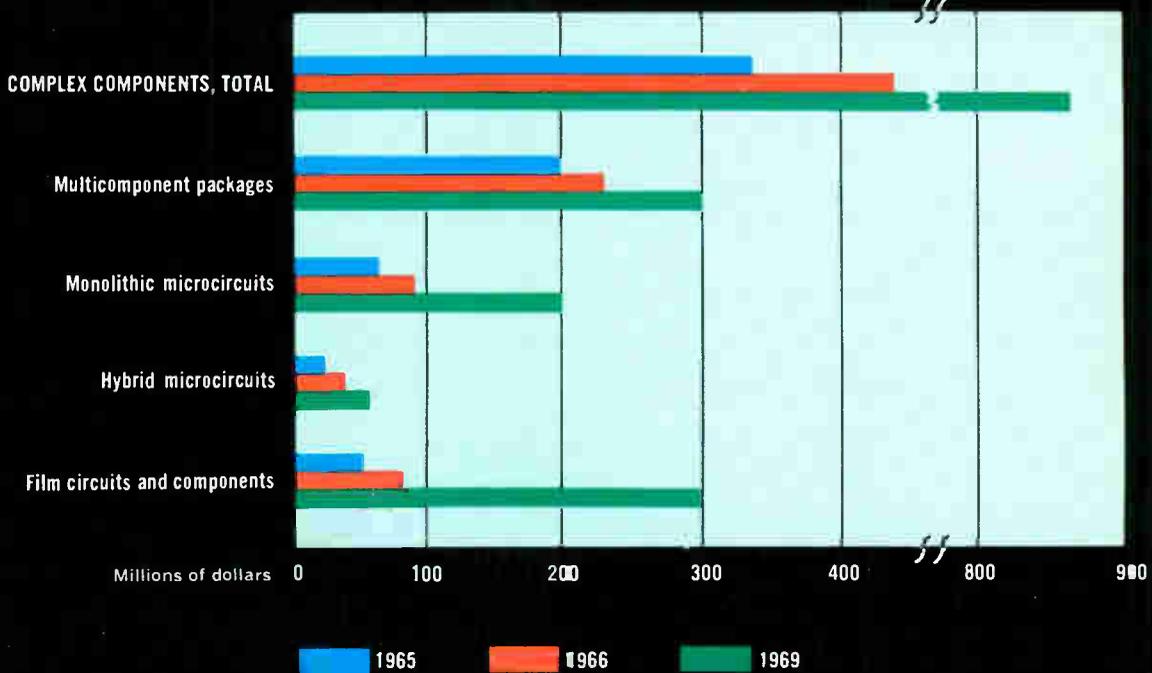
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Everything is coming up roses for the electronics industry in 1966. In every major segment of the industry, companies expect significant sales gains. In fact, the end of 1966 should see the industry in its healthiest condition since the boom years of 1959 and 1960.

These are the conclusions of Electronics' annual study of the industry's outlook for the new year.

Sales are expected to leap ahead 7.8% this year to \$19.40 billion from \$18.06 billion in 1965. In contrast, last year's survey predicted that the industry's growth in 1965 would slow to only 2.13%. Last year, electronics companies did much better than most executives had expected; the improvement over predicted growth resulted from stepped-up military procurement for the armed forces in Vietnam.

Increased buying to support the growing number of United States troops in Vietnam will boost federal spending for electronics this year to \$9.59 billion from last year's \$9.20 billion. Many plans for nonmilitary spending on social and health programs will probably be curtailed as President Johnson strives to keep total spending down.

Consumer electronics will be spearheaded by a continued boom in color television. Most suppliers expect demand to outstrip supply through 1966, even though almost every company will have additional production capacity for sets and color tubes.

More arms purchases are anticipated but R&D outlays will hold at '65 level

Acceleration of the war in Vietnam transformed proposed cutbacks into sharp increases in military spending last year and will have the same effect well into 1967. For electronics companies, the big increases in fiscal 1967 will be in equipment sales; military spending for research, development, test and evaluation will probably remain at the \$7-billion level of fiscal 1966, which ends June 30.

Last January, the Defense Department estimated its budget for fiscal 1966 at \$49 billion. It has received an additional \$1.7-billion appropriation, and is expected to ask for \$2.3 billion more; it also has drawn on Army depots for supplies that will have to be replaced.

The budget for fiscal 1967 is expected to be between \$57 billion and \$60 billion, probably closer to the higher amount.

Most of the new funds will be for salaries, operations and maintenance, but some of it will also go for helicopters for the Army and Marines, and fighters for the Navy's aircraft carriers; also being purchased is avionics and ground-communications equipment.

The armed services are also continuing to develop and test new ways to beat the problem of radio-signal attenuation in jungle foliage. And they are still seeking lighter long-range radios; more durable avionics gear that does not need frequent overhauling; more rugged data-processing equipment; improved sound ranging; surveillance equipment, both ground and air; and systems to warn ground forces of enemy intrusion into their camp.

For strategic warfare

Research and development will continue this year on the Navy's Poseidon submarine-launched ballistic missile. During fiscal 1966, \$35 million is being spent. Before the missile is ready for production, development costs will total \$900 million. The total cost of developing and producing the missile, also of equipping Polaris submarines to handle the new missile, is estimated at \$2.6 billion.

Work on the Air Force's Minuteman II missile will be designed to improve its accuracy and survivability after attack. Accuracy will be improved by continuing development of inertial guidance systems. Survivability can be sought in several ways: increasing the number of missiles, modifying the Minuteman so it can be launched from railroad flatcars, and developing an antimissile system such as Nike X. Although \$400 million was budgeted to continue R&D on the Nike X in fiscal 1966, full production is likely to be deferred again.

To keep the program alive, R&D will be prolonged with minimal appropriations.

By the end of this year, the Air Force will probably have formulated a concept for a follow-on to Minuteman II, which would then get under way in 1967. Procurement will continue this year for more Polaris A-3 and Minuteman II ballistic missiles.

Penetration aids—electronic countermeasures and counter-countermeasures that help a missile get through an enemy's defenses—reached the billion-dollar level last year and will continue to be a big, active R&D effort, for tactical as well as ballistic missiles.

Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara announced last month that the B-52 and B-58 bombers will be phased out and that a new version of the F-111, called the FB-111, will be produced to fill the gap. This may make the F-111 the most versatile plane in history. Twelve million dollars was set aside recently to build a reconnaissance version, called the FR-111. If the British decide to buy the plane, it will probably be modified again. The bomber version, 210 of which will be built, will cost \$1.8 billion. The first will be operational in 1968.

Development of Sram, the short-range air-to-surface missile that is being designed to be launched from a bomber 50 or 60 miles from the target, will continue. It will be used on the remaining B-52's and on the FB-111; \$37 million was spent on this missile this year. Development is expected to cost \$100 million or \$150 million.

The announcement that the Soviet Union has built an orbital nuclear bomb that can be brought down on any target in the world will not, apparently, spur the United States Defense Department to follow suit. McNamara said last year that orbiting bombs were not as efficient as intercontinental missiles, and there is no sign that he has changed his mind.

Approximately 60% of the Manned Orbiting Laboratory program will concern the electronics industry. This year \$150 million is being spent, with a similar amount expected in fiscal year 1967. The Air Force wanted \$300 million for next year, but \$150 million is more likely because of the budgetary pressure caused by acceleration of the war in Vietnam.

The military-satellite communications system will be pushed vigorously this year. Work will continue on permanent and air-transportable ground terminals for the strategic system. Work also will

begin on small transportable terminals for tactical use by each military service. Aircraft will use the satellites as relays to communicate over long distances by ultrahigh frequency instead of high frequency, ships will use them to communicate with other ships, and Army jeeps in a jungle in Southeast Asia might use them to communicate with headquarters 100 miles away.

Air and missile defense

The Air Force will sit tight with its space-surveillance radars—such as the big phased-array radar being rebuilt at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., after it burned down last year. While no new techniques are planned, R&D will continue on ways to improve the resolution and accuracy of the present generation of phased-array equipment.

The program to modify aircraft-warning radars along the United States' coastline to detect missiles launched from submarines will continue actively throughout the year. R&D on over-the-horizon radar will pick up.

General-purpose forces

In fiscal 1966, twice as much R&D money is being spent on tactical weapons as on strategic weapons. This trend will continue, with emphasis on electronic countermeasures, a V/STOL (vertical or short take-off and landing) aircraft, air-to-surface missiles, better tactical command-and-control equipment, and the long-range airlift capabilities that started with plans for the C-5A military transport plane.

The Air Force will push research on better, faster surveillance data and on efforts to find targets more accurately. Guidance techniques for air-

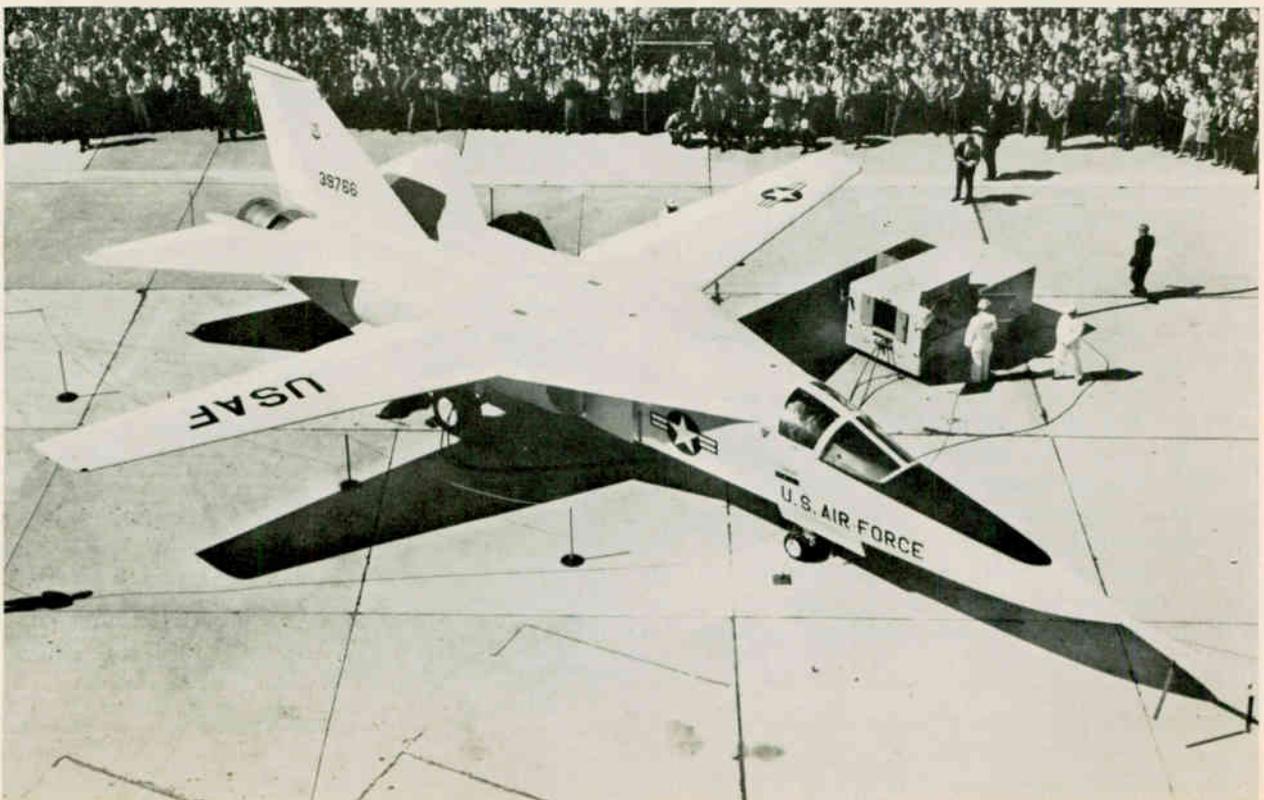
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to-surface missiles will receive increased attention this year. Radar, infrared, optical devices and radio will be explored further. The precision inherent in radio navigation systems looks promising, the Air Force says. A missile might be able to find its target by using a hyperbolic grid system similar to loran D.

Much of the Army's R&D will go for the development of better night vision and ground surveillance equipment—tactical equipment that field units can use to spot enemy troops and materiel in the surrounding area by day or night. Present equipment needs to be improved in several ways: higher target-discrimination ability in clutter, faster decision capability, and pattern recognition. The Night Vision Laboratory established by the Army in

The F-111 may become the most versatile military aircraft in history. Designed first as a fighter plane for the Air Force with a modified version for the Navy, it was later given another role as a reconnaissance plane, the FR-111. Now Defense Secretary Robert McNamara says still another version will be built, designated the FB-111, to satisfy the Air Force's need for a bomber.



November at Fort Belvoir, Va., employs 200 specialists and engineers. The Army will spend about \$20 million in 1966 on R&D in these two areas—ground surveillance and night vision—but there will be little procurement of systems.

Money is already pouring into facilities to produce more tactical planes for Vietnam, and for long-lead-time equipment for them. How many planes will be bought has not yet been decided. Additional orders probably will be placed for the F-4, built by the McDonnell Aircraft Corp., also for the Douglas Aircraft Co.'s A-4E and the Grumman Aircraft Engineering Corp.'s A-6.

The A-7A fighter, being built by Ling-Temco-Vought, Inc., should be a big seller this year. The Navy is buying it, and the Air Force is considering it to fill a need for a new close-support fighter.

Work on the giant C-5A Air Force transport will get under way in 1966. The Air Force has contracted for 28 of the huge planes at a cost of about \$5 billion, and more orders are expected. About 10% of the total will go for avionics.

McNamara's satisfaction with the air-cavalry division in Vietnam and his decision to create another one will increase procurement of helicopters and avionics, and speed development of the next generation of aerial firing platforms and of their fire-control and avionics systems.

Bright outlook for avionics

The Army has joined the Air Force and the Navy in their pursuit of advanced avionics. Aside from test equipment, the Navy has two avionics programs, the Air Force one, and the Army two.

The Navy programs are ILAAS, which stands for integrated light-attack avionics system, and IHAS, for integrated helicopter avionics system. The Air Force's second-generation avionics package (Mark II) for the F-111 is being delayed until the Navy makes more progress with ILAAS. When this is done, and when all the elements in the Mark II are selected, the program will be big and will move quickly.

The Army will award a large contract for the avionics package for a light observation helicopter (LOH) some time this month. It will consist of vhf, uhf, f-m and intercommunication radio transceivers, an f-m monitor receiver for the pilot, and an automatic direction-finder for navigation. The uhf radio represents a new generation; the unit will be 40% lighter than previous ones, and the purchase will be big. The radio may also be used in other Army planes besides the LOH.

The Army's next big avionics program is for AAFSS, the advanced aerial fire-support system. The Army paid for 40% of the Navy's IHAS program and is watching it closely. Besides the usual electronic subsystems, the package will include station-keeping equipment. The Army would like terrain-avoidance radar, but plans for the aircraft have gone too far to include it. Tests on terrain-avoidance equipment will continue, however, so

the next generation—STAAS, for surveillance and target acquisition aircraft system—will be able to use it. STAAS is the follow-on to the fixed-wing Mohawk aircraft.

This year is expected to be the biggest for automatic test equipment, and the military is expected to be the best customer. Sales to the Army and Air Force should top \$80 million; the Navy will spend between \$10 million and \$20 million, most of it on versatile avionics system test equipment, called VAST.

Automatic test gear should continue to increase, at least through 1970. Eventually all three military services plan to equip all their maintenance depots with such equipment. The Army has already begun installing automatic test equipment at its Tobyhanna, Pa., depot and has scheduled general-purpose test gear for several other depots. The Navy has begun installing VAST aboard aircraft carriers.

The shift to integrated circuits

All the services are looking forward to the glories of integrated circuits—more elaborate systems, more sophisticated solutions, high reliability, reduced weight, and ultimately lower cost. The Air Force, experienced with IC's in its Minuteman missile, is probably the most enthusiastic. "We'll be able to do much more daring things," one high official says.

The Air Force is ready to move into third-generation solid state equipment. Transistors were the first generation, present integrated circuits the second. The third generation will see many more active elements—perhaps 1,000—on a single chip. Cost will be greatly reduced, and reliability will reach new heights.

The Navy is going full-steam ahead with IC's, but one official expresses concern. "It may turn out that a number of design, maintenance and logistics problems should have been solved before we jumped into designing IC's in so much equipment," he says. "Maybe the top echelon in the military has accepted IC's too quickly."

The Army, with less experience with IC's than the other two services, is showing the most apprehension. How will IC's change equipment design? Will their reliability be overestimated, resulting in equipment that cannot be repaired at all? Can IC's be used in throwaways? How will maintenance be handled—with replacement plug-ins or duplicate equipment? And how will maintenance crews be trained [Electronics, Oct. 18, 1965, p. 72]? The Army has to answer these questions soon, because the LOH avionics package will probably contain IC's.

Both the Army and the Air Force are looking for a follow-on to Ioran D, the transportable hyperbolic grid system now being tested at Eglin. The goal is a system that won't be vulnerable to jamming and that will be a hyperbolic type, using low frequency—100 to 300 kilocycles per second—with antennas much lower than those required for Ioran D.

The Army wants an air-transportable air-traffic regulation system that is easy to set up and compatible with systems the other services use; it would regulate the Army's helicopters and fixed-wing planes.

The three services are working together on terminal phase equipment to control planes from the time they approach the traffic pattern until they land. The decision on this system is important; it will be bought by all three services, and is intended to remain standard equipment for several years.

Although the Army will buy large quantities of radio equipment this year, it will not initiate much R&D for communications. It will continue studies on ways to digitize communications—a goal set for the mid-1970's—and buy only the most tempting R&D gear that comes from unsolicited proposals such as the Pico terminal, or a microwave communications system, built with hybrid integrated circuits and small enough to be carried by hand. The microwave system is built by the International Telephone and Telegraph Corp.

The Army needs an answer to a pressing new problem: how to locate mortar fire that might come from any direction. The "front line" in Vietnam, for example, is usually a circle. Counter-mortar radar now covers only one-quarter of a circle. Also, Army aviation urgently needs a small, light-

weight single-sideband radio which would operate from levels of 100 watts to 1 kilowatt peak effective power at both uhf and vhf.

A three-service effort will begin this year to develop a universal data link to get reconnaissance and target position data to the ground quickly from aircraft and drones. On the ground, a tactical image photoprocessing system will be needed to process television, infrared and photographic pictures obtained by aerial survey.

Spending on antisubmarine warfare will increase this year to about \$3 billion; it will be a little more than one-fourth of the Navy's budget. Sonar again will be the biggest item. The Navy will ask industry to put more effort this year on signal-processing and noise-discrimination techniques.

The Navy's deep-submergence-systems program [Electronics, Feb. 22, 1965, p. 123] will be accelerated; electronics companies have been asked to submit bids on the deep-level rescue submarine. And Autec, the Atlantic undersea test and evaluation center off Andros Island in the Bahamas [Electronics, April 6, 1964, p. 105], will be ready for operation in 1967. The Navy's underwater programs are the most promising in oceanology (p. 124).

A big communications project that will move faster this year is the Navy's Southern Cross—a program to upgrade basic equipment and techniques in the fleet.

Space electronics

Spending will remain the same but NASA's demands will be stiffer

Nineteen sixty-five was the year when Mars became a television star and two spaceships met in space to fly five laps around the earth in close formation. Despite these successes, however, the United States will spend no more for space electronics in fiscal 1967 than in the fiscal year that ends June 30, 1966—between \$1.6 billion and \$2 billion.

But longer, more complex missions will require smaller, more reliable electronic gear, with increasing emphasis on components designed specifically for use in space. In addition to systems for navigation, communications, tracking, instrumentation, data processing and such, NASA will continue to sponsor a broad research program concentrating principally on navigation, data processing and circuit performance.

Smaller circuits for longer missions

Late this year, the space agency plans to award the first contracts for experimental gear to be carried on 14-day missions on the surface of the moon in the Apollo Applications program, which

S-band communications equipment like this antenna will get its first big test in the Apollo program.



Scientific instruments in the Lunar Excursion Module portion of the Apollo program are contained in packages which can be removed easily from the space craft. Package in foreground contains devices to measure soil temperature and impact of micrometeorites and a seismograph. The instrument package behind the antenna contains an atmosphere analyzer, magnetometer and gravitometer.



will run concurrently with Project Apollo's effort to land men on the moon by 1970. NASA will also fund further research for the Voyager missions which are to land capsules on Mars in the 1970's. Both projects will stress microminiaturization.

Early contracts in Apollo Applications will be for development of refined instrumentation for experiments, also better ways to record, process and transmit data aboard a spacecraft, and improved life-support systems. Future procurement also will include hardware for 90 days in earth orbit and 28 days in orbit of the moon.

For the Voyager flights, electronic systems will have to be designed to last seven months and later as long as two years. Contracts could total more than \$2 billion. NASA may need S-band power-amplifier tubes that can operate at up to 500 watts, also solid state amplifiers with up to 100 watts of power. Other needs will include data-processing equipment that can handle 40,000 bits per second, and sterilizable components that can withstand impacts of more than 1,000 gravities.

Specifications will reflect the increasing length and hazard of missions. A failure rate of only one part in a million hours was specified for Apollo, and NASA wants to improve this by one order of mag-

nitude for later missions. To meet such requirements, the space agency will not be satisfied with modifications of equipment that was designed for other uses.

Many integrated circuits already are specified for the Advanced Orbiting Solar Observatory, which is to be launched in 1969. In the lunar excursion module (LEM), where every pound of electronics requires 400 pounds of launch fuel, IC's in cordwood modules will be used extensively.

"Within a year or two," says Clyde M. Singleton, test director for LEM at the Grumman Aircraft Engineering Corp., "the majority of satellites and space vehicles will be designed with IC's."

IC's made with metal oxide semiconductors will make their debut in space this summer in the encoder of the anchored Interplanetary Monitoring Platform (IMP), which will orbit the moon and gather data about the moon's surroundings in space. NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center says use of MOS IC's will reduce the components in the four-pound encoder to 3,000 from 10,000.

Toward global communications

Communications gear will continue to constitute a big chunk of the space electronics market. This

year the Communications Satellite Corp. will begin to buy equipment for satellites designed to be part of a worldwide communications network in 1968. The first big award will be to TRW, Inc., for development of the satellites themselves; each will be capable of carrying more than 1,000 channels.

Components of the operational system will include specialized, custom-made equipment such as wideband transponders to carry hundreds of channels simultaneously, traveling-wave tubes for multiple access, and tunnel-diode front-end receivers.

"The most important parameter is reliability," says Sidney Metzger, Comsat's manager of engineering. "We are shooting for a five-year operating lifetime for the satellites. Rather than looking for new types of transmitters or resistors, we hope to achieve this level by proper design and test of existing equipment."

U. S. producers of ground-station equipment are expected to find more customers this year among members of the consortium that owns Comsat. Sales of ground stations, with 85-foot antennas, are expected in Switzerland, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Australia, India, Japan and Scandinavia. The price of each station will be at least \$5 million, including antennas and auxiliary equipment for functions such as multiple access.

Communications equipment also will be needed for ground stations, broadcasting stations and telephone companies.

Comsat's interim system will be established this fall with the orbiting of two satellites, one over the Atlantic and another over the Pacific. Satellites are expected to be used increasingly for television and data transmission as well as voice, and Comsat is trying to attract more customers by substantial reductions in rates for channels.

More efficient solid state amplifiers also are needed for satellites, also better threshold-extension demodulators and low-noise amplifiers for ground stations.

Farther in the future, a market is expected to develop in equipment for direct-broadcast satellites. "Within 5 or 10 years, high-power broadcasting satellites will be capable of transmitting television and radio directly into the home," predicts David A. Sarnoff, chairman of the Radio Corp. of America. This would be possible, Sarnoff continues, with nuclear-powered synchronous satellites capable of radiating up to 30 kilowatts to home receivers within a million-square-mile range. Sarnoff also believes home antennas can be modified easily to receive such transmission which would be in the ultrahigh-frequency band.

Officials of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration have already asked the communications industry for proposals on studies for construction of a direct-broadcast satellite.

More immediate is the need for a worldwide communications system for aircraft in flight. Such a system may evolve from NASA's Applications Technology Satellite-B, to be launched late this year. The practicality of such a system will be eval-

uated from tests in which voice and data will be relayed from the ground to aircraft by the ATS-B's 30-watt vhf transponder. Comsat, meanwhile, plans to include aircraft communications on an all-purpose satellite, which would also be used for weather studies and for domestic tv. A prime contractor is expected to be selected this year for this satellite, which may be launched in about three years.

The space agency will continue its steady move toward higher frequencies to gain broader bandwidths and more exclusive operating regions. Next year it will complete the augmentation of its manned spaceflight network with S-band equipment. It will continue to sponsor studies of the possibility of moving into the X band portion of the spectrum for earth-orbital scientific research, but this won't happen before 1980. NASA will also consider moving into millimeter wavelengths, for certain types of space research. A promising market also is developing for electronic gear of the future, such as laser transmitters, which can meet the stiff new requirements of reliability, long life and light weight.

There will be no big new electronic procurement for NASA's tracking and communications network this year, however. The tracking stations already contain most of the equipment they will need for the next few years, says C. R. Morrison, director of systems planning and development at NASA's Office of Tracking and Data Acquisition. "In fiscal 1966," he says, "our budget was 55% for equipment and 45% for operation; next year it will swing to 45% equipment and 55% operations."

NASA will continue to study methods of automating ground-station functions to eliminate costly manual operations. The major cost of such systems would be for electronic interface equipment between computers and other checkout equipment. More automatic checkout gear also would be bought.

Depending on next year's budget, NASA may begin buying late in 1966 for two more 210-foot antenna stations, which would be used in the 1971 Voyager mission to Mars. Sometime later, other equipment will have to be developed, including new gear for data-processing and -storage and for handling large amounts of data during planetary missions in the 1970's.

NASA is still seeking expandable antennas that can be compressed into small areas on spacecraft.

Advanced research

One good clue to what's beyond 1966 is NASA's electronics research program. Still relatively modest, it includes many projects vital to operational systems 5 to 15 years from now.

NASA's new Electronics Research Center in Cambridge, Mass., will fund \$15 million in outside research during fiscal 1967 compared with \$8 million in fiscal '66. This will increase to \$50 million in 1969, when the center is fully operational.

A big field for outside research this year will be

for better data-processing systems for future space vehicles. The goal is to reduce the amount of data that must be transmitted to earth during long space missions, or to increase the significance of each bit of data. Research will continue on compact short-access-time memory systems and on associated microelectronic circuitry.

The research center may also finance work on holograms which put three-dimensional information on a two dimensional plane—for possible applica-

tion in planetary surveys. Research also is expected in adaptive circuitry, MOS field effect transistors for data-processing on spacecraft, electrostatic and cryogenic gyroscope systems, hybrid thin-film space-charge-limited triodes, microelectronic circuit modules that can operate in radiation and temperature environments beyond the limit for silicon, improved silicon reliability, and solid state hot-electron devices for Gunn-effect diodes with frequencies over 12 gigacycles per second.

Commercial avionics

Searching for airport automation

As the skies become more crowded with civilian airplanes, the need for automatic equipment increases—and so does the avionics market. Spending for commercial avionics is expected to climb to \$265 million this year from \$205 million in 1965.

The biggest research-and-development efforts are in two fields: automation for airports and automatic landing systems for planes. In all, the Federal Aviation Agency will spend about \$105 million for electronic systems this year, up slightly from \$100 million last year. Of this amount, R&D will receive about \$35 million, the same as last year. In addition, aircraft builders will spend about \$100 million for avionics on the \$1.8 billion worth of planes that will be delivered to commercial airlines this year. And avionics in the general aviation category, which includes business and private aircraft, is expected to total \$60 million.

Of the \$70 million that the FAA will spend for equipment, the biggest chunk will go for semi-automatic air-traffic controls. Other major categories are radar, communications and navigation equipment.

The most important research is in all-weather landing. Late this year or early in 1967 the FAA probably will give full certification to a Category

II landing system—one that operates when visibility is only 1,600 feet along the runway and the ceiling is only 100 feet. The agency and the Air Force are cooperating in further studies toward the development of an all-weather, zero-zero landing system.

The FAA has awarded a contract for about \$1 million to Lear-Siegler, Inc., for testing of all-weather landing systems; the contract runs to March, 1967. Zero-zero landing systems are being studied by Pan American World Airways, Trans World Airlines and United Airlines. And the Air Force has awarded a contract of about \$1 million to Lear-Siegler, Inc., to test all-weather landing systems for the C-5A military transport. Two Category II systems already have the FAA's conditional certification, which means they can be used, but not for passenger flights.

The effort to develop a workable all-weather landing system has resulted in improvements in other avionic equipment. United Airlines is installing a pulsed-radar type of altimeter—the AL-101 made by the Collins Radio Co.—in 164 of its jet planes. The altimeter measures terrain clearance from 2,500 feet to touchdown. Altitude error must not be greater than ± 5 ft. ($\pm 5\%$ over 100 ft.)

Oceanology

Interest is high, expenditures low

Electronics companies will continue to look cautiously before leaping into oceanology. They are watching the activities of the federal government and of some big oil companies, currently the big spenders of the deep [Electronics, Sept. 20, 1965, p. 129 and Oct. 18, 1965, p. 123].

Despite the increasing fascination with the sea, and the increasing awareness of its riches, expenditures in exploring its depths only total a few hun-

dred million dollars a year. The expenditure is not known accurately because much of the government's activity consists of classified work on anti-submarine warfare. Unofficial estimates put the cost of the antisub work at \$110 million for fiscal 1967, which begins July 1.

The government will spend \$140 million on unclassified projects, about half of it for study programs such as Sealab, in which men lived at the

bottom of the ocean off California for weeks.

The oil industry, which has spent more than \$1 billion on undersea oil exploration and research in the past decade, is expected to move into deeper water in the next two or three years, into depths that require complex, reliable instruments—the kind that is best built electronically.

Needed: better communications

The most pressing need is for a communications system that is reliable over a five-mile range at least 6,000 feet below the surface of the sea. As submersibles are built that can explore deeper, these ranges and depth requirements will increase.

One major problem is slant range: the deeper a submersible goes, the more difficult it is to maintain vertical communications with surface vessels such as tenders. As the slant angle increases, so does

the problem of multiple communications paths. Multiple paths result from underwater phenomena such as thermoclines—temperature gradients—and deep scattering layers.

Another requirement is a method, better than sonar, for measuring depth with instruments at the surface. Sonar is least effective under ice, because the junction of ice and water has practically no reflectivity, unlike the air-water interface. Yet precise measurements of the thickness of ice or of the depth of water below ice are particularly important in the accurate firing of Polaris missiles.

The development of such electronic systems may depend on the start of projects of which they would be part. But the converse may also be true: undersea projects still undreamed-of may be triggered by the knowledge that better electronic equipment is available.

Industrial electronics

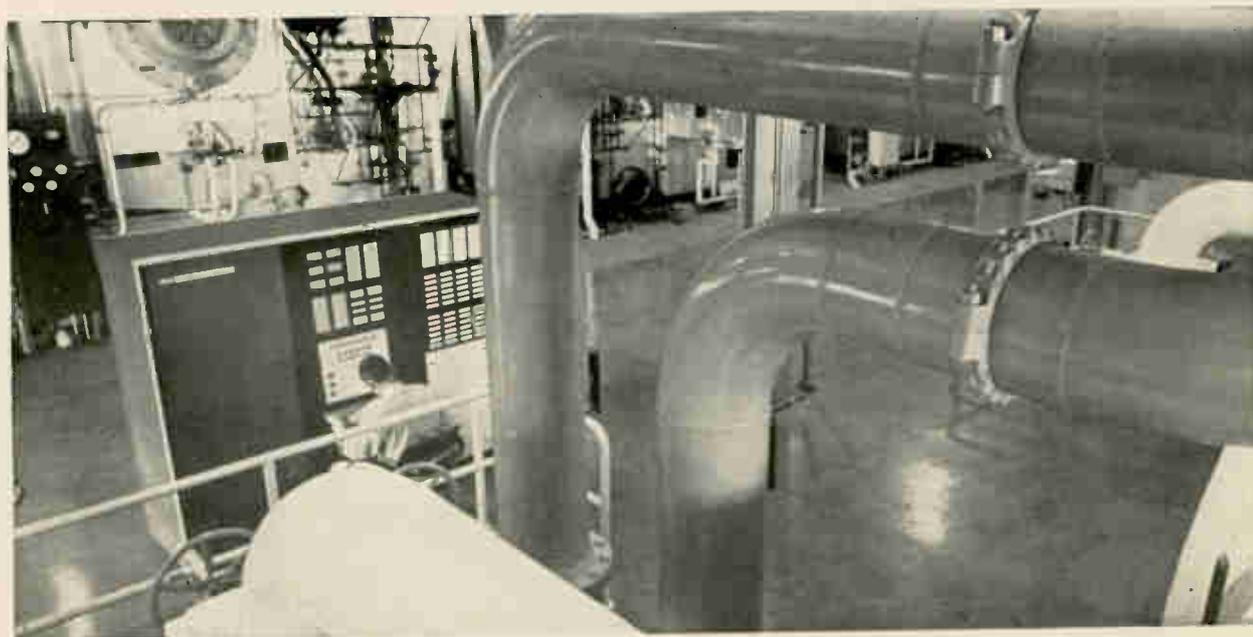
Numerical control sales to rise 25%; process controls will climb 60%

With orders backed up 24 months, producers of numerical controls will not introduce many big changes this year. It's all they can do to meet the present demand for existing equipment. Sales are expected to top \$50 million, up 25% from \$40 million last year; associated machinery cost an additional \$120 million in 1965.

The market for process-control computers will expand even faster, largely because it is newer

and smaller than the NC market. Sales of process controls this year are expected to climb 60%, to \$40 million, from \$25 million in 1965; associated instrumentation should add \$11 million in sales compared with \$7.5 million last year. Here, too, little technological innovation is expected; the reason is that existing systems are considered quite adequate.

One technological advance will be the use of



Model 1800 computer, made by International Business Machines Corp., is designed specifically for direct digital control of industrial processes such as electric utilities' steam generating plants.

integrated circuits. The Westinghouse Electric Corp. recently introduced a numerical control system, model 20, whose logic section is built entirely with IC's.

Process control will continue to expand into "manufacturing control"—regulating of mass production—which constituted 20% of the field last year. For example, one computer made by Honeywell, Inc., constantly monitors and controls production at a completely automated bakery in the Midwest. And a producer of integrated circuits is using a computer to automate the testing of its IC's; the testing system not only checks the condition of circuits and rejects faulty ones, but also supplies statistical analyses of such factors as the most prevalent type of defect and the time of day at which most defects are found.

Major users of process control will continue to be electric utilities and the chemical and petroleum refining industries, with steelmaking not far behind. But control computers will find increasing applications in many other industries, such as smelting and refining, textiles, electronics manufacturing and automobile assembly.

Controlling city traffic

Two areas of long-range promise are computer controls for mass transit systems and for street and highway traffic. The whole transit industry is

watching the experiments at San Francisco's Bay Area Rapid Transit District [Electronics, July 26, 1965, p. 71]. Although computerized traffic control is not new, many cities are just beginning to consider it seriously. Computerized facilities costing \$5 million will eventually control traffic in sections of four of New York City's five boroughs. The first stage in its installation, expected to be completed late this year, will control 1,200 intersections in central Manhattan and several major traffic arteries in Queens.

The move to direct digital control—real-time control of an analog process by a digital computer—will continue to accelerate. A. L. Rogers, marketing director of the computer control department at Honeywell, Inc., says bluntly, "Simple supervisory control is headed for obsolescence."

But major technical advances are unlikely, simply because computers are considered good enough now. "What's the use of having a millisecond response time in the instrumentation," asks Charles Schwarzler, a marketing official at the Foxboro Co., "if the mechanics of the process itself can't react in less than one-tenth of a second—or tens of seconds in some cases?"

Despite the trend to DDC, many open-loop systems will be sold this year. Design improvements include new remote communication equipment and improved peripheral devices.

Consumer electronics

Continued gains seen: color tv ahead, and scr's move into new markets

With color television again in the vanguard, consumer electronics companies seem to be marching into another spectacular year. Sales of color sets in 1965 totaled 2.6 million, but 3.5 million could have been sold if plants could have produced them. This year, added facilities probably will boost output to between 4 million and 4.5 million receivers, but still will not match the demand.

Of the eight manufacturers of color picture tubes, four entered the field late in 1965. One of these, the Admiral Corp., has invested \$18 million in its tube facility and says its annual production of shadow-mask tubes should reach 600,000 by the end of 1966.

The Philco Corp., is now producing 2000 tubes a week at its new assembly line in Lansdale, Pa., after only a few-months of production.

The General Electric Co. is in full production on the industry's smallest and only different shadow-mask color tube. The 11-inch Porta-Color tube uses a straight-line configuration for its three electron guns, rather than the conventional delta

arrangement. GE, which now buys standard tubes for its larger color sets, is considering production of a larger version of its new tube.

GE claims that those who are ordering its \$249.50 Porta-Color, represent a completely new market. Many people, GE says, just don't have room at home for a large set. But GE may not have this market to itself for long. The Radio Corp. of America will start pilot production of a 15-inch shadow-mask tube this month. Color sets with these tubes will not reach the dealers before September.

Tube-hungry makers of color sets, seeking additional sources of supply, have turned to Japan; but Japanese tube exports this year will be insignificant. Japanese manufacturers, suffering from a recession, would rather export completed sets. Some Japanese companies are working on small-screen color sets that could hit the American market this year. Half a dozen manufacturers also have announced that they will export large-screen color sets to the United States in 1966, but the

total will be under 200,000.

The color-tv boom is also creating a shortage of equipment for broadcasting studios. RCA alone has a \$25-million backlog in orders for its newest color camera and color film pickup. The company manufacturers 30 of its new \$75,000 TK-42 camera chains a month, and is taking orders for delivery in late 1966. GE's popular 4V color-film pickup has a similar backlog.

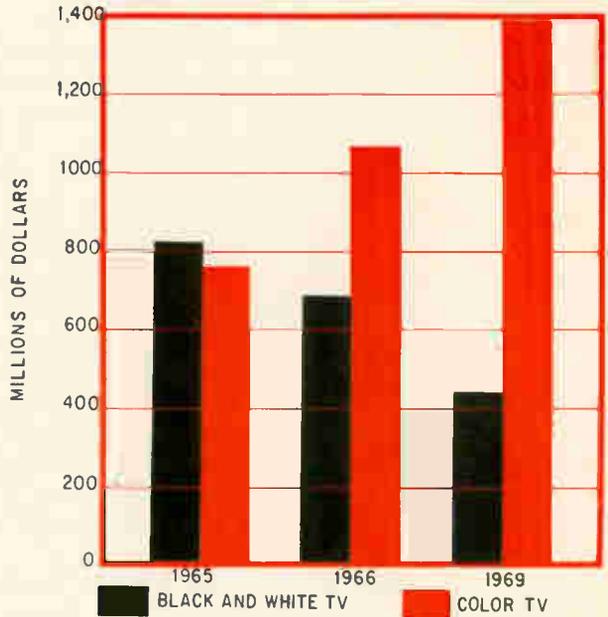
The North American Philips Co., whose Norelco Plumbicon camera has been heralded as the most important development in color television since the shadow-mask tube, reports a backlog extending into the summer of 1967. The Norelco camera is manufactured in the United States with Plumbicon tubes made in the Netherlands by Norelco's parent company, Philips Gloeilampenfabrieken, N.V. In about eight months, however, Norelco's subsidiary, the Amperex Electronics Corp., plans to produce the tube in the United States. Norelco will supply the tube to at least three other makers of color cameras this year.

The Selenicon, RCA's answer to the sensitive and linear Plumbicon, will go into production this year. RCA has designed its TK-42 camera, which now uses three vidicons and an image orthicon, so it can be converted easily to use the newer Selenicons.

Across-the-board increases

Color television will be only one facet of the

How U. S. tv sales will go . . .



boom in consumer electronics. According to Electronics' survey, factory sales of consumer electronics products will increase 6.9% in 1966 and 16% by 1969, from \$3.0 billion in 1965. Only black and white tv is headed for a decline (see chart above).

Sales increases are expected in tv sets, radios, phonographs, tape recorders, electronic musical in-



Color-tube assembly line at Philco's Lansdale division, after several months of production, is producing 2,000 tubes per week. Total production of color tubes from eight manufacturers will be over 4.5 million this year.

struments and other major equipment for the home. In addition, breakthroughs in microcircuits will permit the introduction of many new products.

Some of the gains in these areas will be balanced elsewhere, however. As production of color tubes reaches 7.5 million a year in 1970, production of black-and-white tubes is expected to drop to 6.8 million from a 1964 high of 9.5 million. Production of monochrome tv tubes for 1966 will be 9.0 million. The number of vacuum tubes produced, 390 million in 1965, will drop to 320 million in 1966 and 200 million by 1970, but sales of semiconductors and integrated circuits will double by 1970.

The EIA expects the sale of 24.2 million domestically produced radios in 1966 and 25.9 million in 1970, 39% of which will be for automobiles; this compares with 23.5 million radios produced in 1965. Production of phonographs in 1966 is expected to reach 5.5 million, and by 1970 it should climb to 7 million units, compared with the estimated 1965 total of 5.3 million.

After color tv, the fastest-selling consumer product is the audio tape recorder. The EIA predicts that yearly sales of American-made recorders will increase 7% this year, and 33% by 1970 from about 524,000 sold in 1965.

As for home video recorders, William E. Roberts president of the Ampex Corp., predicts that sales will total \$10 million in 1966 and \$100 million in 1970. Sales in 1965 were negligible. Ampex plans to start deliveries this month. A Japanese company, the Sony Corp., already has begun deliveries of home video recorders.

Stereo on the road

The prediction for tape-recorder sales does not include the stereo tape-playback system for auto-

mobiles, which looks like the hottest new automobile accessory. About 18 companies are offering tape-playback units that can be installed under the dashboard. The units, which use prerecorded eight- or four-track tape cartridges, are priced from \$130. The Ford Motor Co. alone expects to sell 100,000 sets this year.

Several tape-cartridge systems are competing for the lush automotive market, but the eight-track cartridge developed by the Lear Jet Corp. seems to have the lead. Lear, whose cartridge has been chosen by both Ford and the Chrysler Corp. for their own brands of tape players, expects to sell 20 million cartridges this year.

Scr's enter the appliance field

Since the advent of the silicon controlled rectifier as an inexpensive way to control electrical power, electronics has expanded its role in the appliance field. Just about every type of hand tool and small appliance is available with the option of speed or temperature controls with scr's (see page 135).

This year for the first time, large appliances also will have solid state controls. The Hotpoint division of the General Electric Co. has, in its most expensive clothes washer, scr controls with which the housewife can choose any speed of agitation and spin, to suit the fabric she is washing. The washer has a tachometer mounted on its capacitor-start, capacitor-run motor; the tachometer serves as a feedback loop to the transistorized speed control. The washer will run at the selected speed regardless of the size of the wash load. Hotpoint and other companies are confident that customers will pay for the added electronics; the solid-state control package on the new Hotpoint washer adds \$60 to its retail price.

Medical electronics

Continued slow progress toward a big future

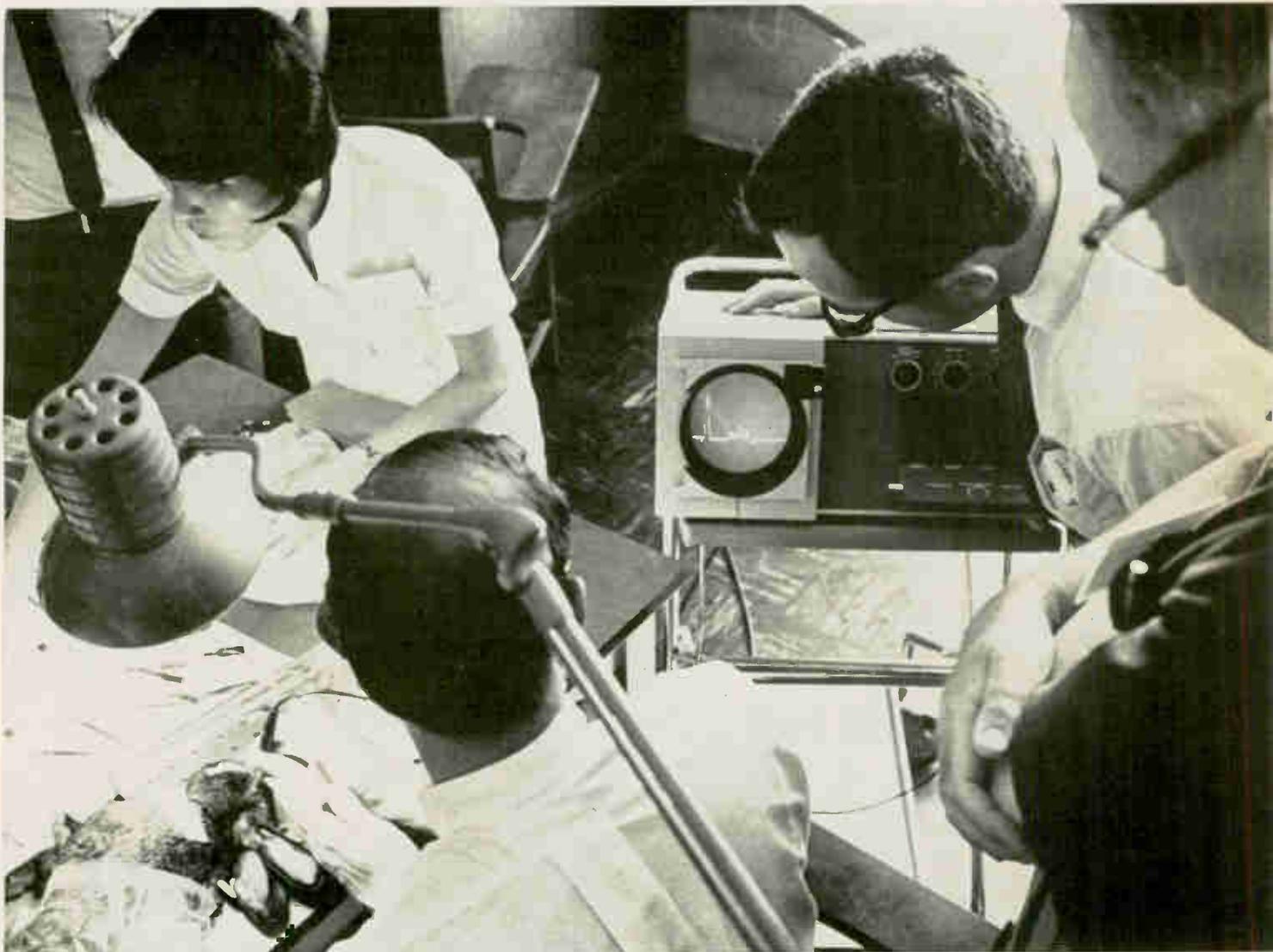
Medical electronics continued to expand slowly in 1965 toward what everybody agrees is a big future. Its growth, 7%, was even slower than expected, but the pace probably will quicken a bit to 10% this year.

With few exceptions, applications are still exploratory; the biggest fields for practical applications are patient-monitoring equipment in hospitals, where sales are expected to rise 40% this year to \$5 million, and clinical instrumentation that can make routine chemical analyses automatically in two or three hours.

The biggest drawback remains the language barrier between physicians and engineers. Engineers don't know what doctors want, and the doctors

don't know what engineering can do for them. To remedy this situation, the National Institutes of Health will give nearly \$20 million this year to schools where engineers will be trained in the life sciences. Private companies, such as the Smith Kline Instrument Co.—a division of Smith Kline & French Laboratories—conduct courses for physicians in the use of medical-electronics equipment. Hospitals are trying to solve the problem by adding engineers to their staffs.

Walter Tolles, head of the medical and biological physics department at the Airborne Instruments Laboratory, says his company's automated chemical-analysis station is more accurate than standard laboratories', at comparable cost.



Teaching electronic techniques to doctors is the purpose of such seminars as Smith Kline Instrument Co.'s latest on ultrasonics in medicine. An ophthalmologist uses the company's Ekoline 20 Ultrasonoscope to locate a small foreign body in the eye of a rabbit before performing surgery.

Electronic monitor

Electronic monitoring has a strong supporter in Dr. J.D. Michenfelder of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. Such a system, installed by IBM and operated by a physician in the operating room, has kept patients alive during critical neurosurgical procedures, Michenfelder says. Previous monitoring systems had to be operated by several skilled technicians; this requirement limited their usefulness.

Computers also hold great promise for medicine and biology. Applications range from diagnostics to administration. The missile division of the Lockheed Aircraft Corp. has developed a computer that diagnoses heart troubles from electrocardiograms more accurately than a cardiologist can, and in less time, the company says. Access to the computer can be through standard telephone connections, and no special transmission lines are required.

For biomedical research, the Digital Equipment Corp. has designed a computer called Linc, for laboratory instrument computer. It is a multipurpose system that performs tasks usually assigned to assistants.

Entering its third year of seeking ways in which the computer can serve a hospital is a broad project at the Massachusetts General Hospital. Administrators expect this study to find ways to store and transmit information faster and more accurately, and to reduce the amount of routine paper work that consumes much of a professional staff's time.

Further progress is expected this year in electronic aids for the disabled: pacemakers to stimulate damaged kidneys and other organs, as well as hearts; prosthetic limbs for amputees and paralytics; and electronic detours for broken neural circuits to help paralytics move arms and legs.



Called the talking typewriter, this machine, developed by the Edison Laboratory division of the McGraw-Edison Co., helped preschool children learn to read, write and touch-type. It contains computer-controlled keyboard, random-access audio storage and slide projector.

Educational electronics

Ready to reap rewards of the Great Society

As the Great Society takes shape and its directors are ready to buy equipment, it is expected to cause a surge in sales of electronic hardware for education. Many of the final decisions will be made by thousands of state and municipal officials across the country—unless increased military spending causes the budgetary brakes to be applied to civilian programs.

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, for example, will provide \$100 million for teaching retarded, disadvantaged and gifted children. A sizable portion of this money is likely to go for such electronic aids as language laboratories, educational television, and programed teaching machines.

In teaching languages, the lab has become as important as the blackboard. The language lab consists of batteries of tape recorders, which allow students to listen to their own pronunciation and compare it with a master tape made by the instructor. Sales of these labs in 1966 are expected to exceed the \$15-million record set last year.

Educational television

A close second to language labs in sales, and moving up fast in the educational electronics market, is educational television. Sales of studio equipment and receiver sales in 1965 totaled \$8 million to \$10 million, they should reach \$13 million to \$15 million this year.

From professor ...



Lecturer Howard F. Fehr at Columbia University in New York speaks into headset while writing on an Electrowriter. Both voice and writing are carried by phone lines.

Robert N. Veneland, sales manager of the Conrac division of the Giannini Controls Corp., the largest producer of tv monitors, predicts a 25% annual increase in educational-tv sales.

The most important recent development in educational tv is 2,500-megacycle transmission, which allows school districts to broadcast to their schools without resorting to expensive coaxial-cable networks or hard-to-get commercial channel allocations. Some industry specialists are predicting that, because of 2,500-Mc transmission, each of the 50,000 school districts in the United States will eventually be part of a multichannel tv network.

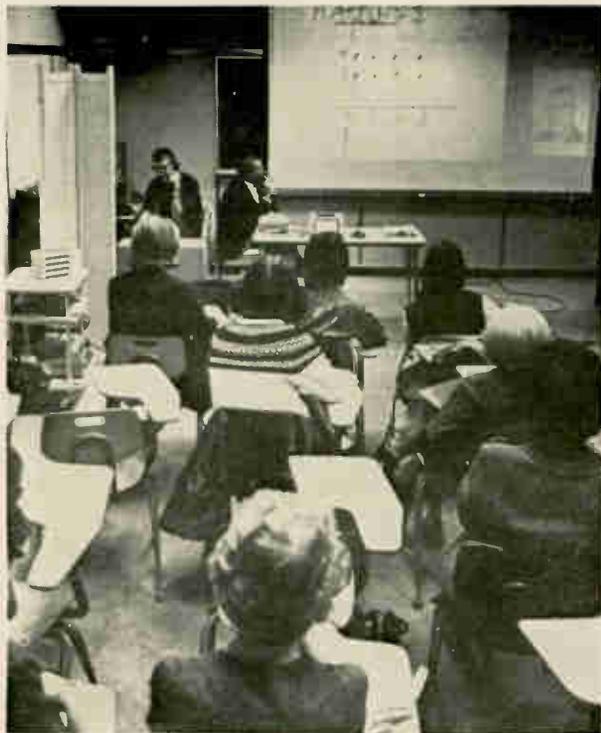
With such a system a low-power omnidirectional microwave signal—10 watts maximum—is sent out from a transmitting tower and picked up at each participating school by a dish-type microwave antenna. The received signal is then changed back to vhf so that ordinary tv sets can be used in the classrooms.

The market for such 2,500-Mc microwave equipment is expected to reach \$10 million a year soon; it is now under \$2 million.

Long-distance teaching need not be limited to tv. A less costly technique called "blackboard-by-wire" permits college students all over the country to "attend" lectures by leaders in their field, who may be hundreds of miles away (see photos below). The technique uses the Victor Comptometer Corp.'s Electrowriter, to transmit handwriting.

Teaching machines

Teaching machines may be a simple mechanical
... to classroom by wire



Students at Stephens College look and listen in a classroom in Columbia, Mo. Long distance phone line connects students and lecturer Howard Fehr.

device that costs \$10 and is little more than a textbook. Or it may be an elaborate, computer-based system costing tens of thousands of dollars, which almost duplicates the function of a private tutor.

There is a great deal of experimentation by colleges, textbook publishers and computer companies. The goals are to learn which types of machines best fill the needs of certain classroom situations, and to write programed course material. As educators learn to use them, these machines will become important classroom tools and a big market for electronics companies.

The teaching machine of the future probably will be computer-based, because of the computer's almost limitless memory and its inherent flexibility. Because the computer can be programed to read answers typed onto it, instruction can take the form of a question-and-answer dialogue.

The International Business Machines Corp., which is doing a great deal of experimentation in computer-assisted instruction, has set up computerized learning laboratories in about a dozen universities, and is itself studying the presentation of complex material by computer [Electronics, June 28, 1965, p. 34].

Recent innovations

One relatively inexpensive educational aid, which has recently been offered by several companies, is the student-response monitor. With this system, the teacher intersperses his lecture with questions, offering as many as four possible answers. Each student then presses one of four buttons on his own desk-top response unit, corresponding to his answer. Meters on the teacher's console tell him what percentage of the class selected each answer. With the flick of a switch, the teacher can light an indicator at each response station to let each student know whether his choice was correct. In this way, the teacher is always aware of a student's comprehension without testing and without having to call on each student frequently.

One such system, Telesponder, made by TelePro Industries, Inc., provides a paper-tape puncher for each student. The punched tapes can be collected at the end of each session and graded in seconds with a tape reader.

TelePro expects to sell 5,000 units this year and 25,000 in 1967. Thirty-six student stations and a teacher's monitor cost \$2,095; the tape reader sells for \$2,500.

In a system developed by the New York Institute of Technology through a grant from the Carnegie Corp., the student answers questions by forcing a probe through a card onto a conducting surface. The punched cards are collected and fed to an IBM 1620 computer and a 1622 card reader for scoring. The computer then prints out a class report showing each student's errors, a grading curve based on the standard deviation of the class, and individual lesson assignments based on how well the students answered the questions.

Electronic switching promotes boom in data-sending gear

By 1970, data transmission will exceed voice traffic over telephone lines, Leslie H. Warner, president of the General Telephone and Electronics Corp. predicts. Sales of data-transmission equipment this year are expected to increase to \$55.6 million from \$43.6 million in 1965.

One factor contributing to increased telephone traffic is electronic switching and the additional services it makes available. Both the GT&E and the Bell System have electronic switching centers in operation. In addition to the center operating for seven months in Succasunna, N. J., Bell will start operating electronic switching equipment in Chase, Md., Beverly Hills, Calif., and one exchange in New York City early this year. A spokesman for the parent company, the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., says \$85 million of electronic switching equipment will be installed this year.

The Bell System has two factories producing electronic equipment. All of it is built with discrete components; Ray W. Ketchledge, director of the Switching Laboratory at the Bell Telephone Laboratories, says he won't consider redesigning the system with integrated circuits until the cost and reliability of IC's are demonstrably better than can be obtained with discrete components.

On the other hand, the Automatic Electric Co. division of GT&E, which installed an experimental electronic switching center late last year in Portage, Ind., is not yet in production, and is therefore still flexible enough to be able to test IC's. Frank Reese, Automatic's president, says that if costs are low enough, IC's will be used. In the next three years, however, GT&E will install several electronic switching systems with discrete components for further tests and evaluation.

Both GT&E and Bell estimate that it will be at least 40 years before all the telephones in the country will be electronically switched. But that doesn't mean that the additional services of electronic switching won't be available to all telephone subscribers until then. W. S. Brown, product marketing supervisor for the AT&T, says that one Bell System company, in Sioux City, Iowa, is adding equipment, compatible with the electro-mechanical switches, to provide such additional services as abbreviated dialing and rerouting of calls. This equipment will go into trial operation in 1966.

Digital communications

Hall McKinley, who is responsible for marketing the International Business Machines Corp.'s commercial products for data processing, sees a new market opening this year halfway between the

simple and the complex on-line data-processing equipment currently available. Companies whose needs are too sophisticated for simple equipment, yet not great enough to warrant a complex system such as the reservations system IBM built for American Airlines or the one Sperry Rand Co. will build for United Airlines will be able to acquire terminal equipment for handling on-line data to be processed by a computer at a remote location.

This new market will demand more and faster digital communications. To meet these needs, Bell Labs is developing techniques for increasing the rates of transmitting digital data over high-quality and ordinary voice-grade telephone lines. With the high-quality line, says R. W. Lucky, head of the data-theory department at Bell Labs, transmission at 9,600 bits per second has been obtained under ideal conditions in the laboratory; but in practice, 7,200 bits seems more reasonable in commercial service. Lucky's group is trying to increase the digital transmission rate over voice-grade telephone lines from the present 2,000 bits per second to at least 4,000 bits.

These increased rates are obtained by using multilevel transmission techniques, error control, and equalizers at the terminals of the line. Bell developed the equalizers to maintain the signal's phase and amplitude despite changes in the characteristics of the line.

Pulse-code modulation

Another important trend is the increasing use of pulse-code modulation (pcm), which enables analog signals to be transmitted in digital form. Bell Labs is experimenting with a pcm system for transmitting signals, such as television, which require broad bandwidths. R. A. Kelley, director of the digital transmission lab at Bell Labs, says Bell has nearly completed basic tests on a pcm system capable of transmitting 224 million bits per second over coaxial cable. A cable 4,000 miles long was simulated in the laboratory to show that two tv signals, or more than 3,000 voice signals, can be transmitted with high quality over transcontinental distances. This year, Kelley says, the system will be refined further. Bell will attempt to implement the system with high-speed integrated circuits. The present model uses integrated circuits only in the low-speed portions.

Sven H. Dodington, vice president of research and development at the International Telephone and Telegraph Corp.'s Federal Laboratories, expects microcircuits and digital techniques to be used increasingly in the development and production of pcm systems.

Military communications

Increased emphasis on tactical and survivable communications is what the Westinghouse Electric Corp.'s surface division expects from the military this year. Westinghouse will use microcircuits to develop mobile tactical equipment for tropospheric scatter, microwave line-of-sight, and high-frequency communications systems. Such equipment is needed in areas like Vietnam, where it must be set up quickly, drain little power, and be rugged and reliable and easy to maintain.

Fulfilling the same needs is the Defense Elec-

tronic Communications products division of the Radio Corp. of America, which is developing solid state f-m equipment that is highly mobile.

Westinghouse's surface division is also developing survivable communications systems for operation in the low and very-low frequency bands, for surface, shipborne and airborne applications. These systems will be designed in modules so that basic components can be applied in many system configurations. The equipment will be solid state in the r-f signal-generating stages, as well as in the amplifying stages.

Computers

A time for time-sharing . . . and the used computer dealer

In Raleigh, N.C. and in Boulder, Colo., the International Business Machines Corp. is building facilities to increase its production of computers. In Camden, N.J., the Radio Corp. of America will return a plant to computer production. In Oklahoma City, Okla., the General Electric Co. is converting a military-products plant to a computer factory. And in Blue Bell, Pa., and St. Paul, Minn., the Univac division of the Sperry Rand Corp. is planning to expand computer-building facilities.

These are just a few efforts to meet the surging demand for computers. The value of computer installations in the United States is expected to increase this year at the same half-billion-dollar rate as in 1965, to \$3.5 billion. These prices are sales values, even though most computers are leased rather than sold.

The most significant developments in hardware this year will be the refinement of time-sharing, new bulk-memory devices with new forms of organization for large and small memories, and new system concepts. In marketing, the field may be ready for a new entrepreneur—the used-computer dealer.

Time-sharing comes into its own

Nineteen sixty-five was a year of experimentation with time-sharing; 1966 will be the year in which time-sharing comes into use, according to Harlan Anderson, vice president of the Digital Equipment Corp. The first big application will be by service bureaus that offer computer access on a time-shared basis. They will have new remote equipment available, designed specifically for time-shared computers; the teleprinter now used will be gradually replaced.

As the investment in remote equipment increases, central processors will constitute an ever-decreasing portion of the field—as little as 30% eventually, some specialists predict, compared with 50% to

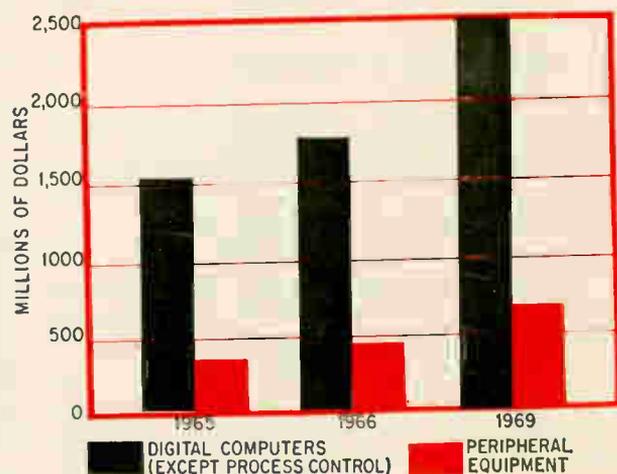
60% at present. This decline will start in 1966.

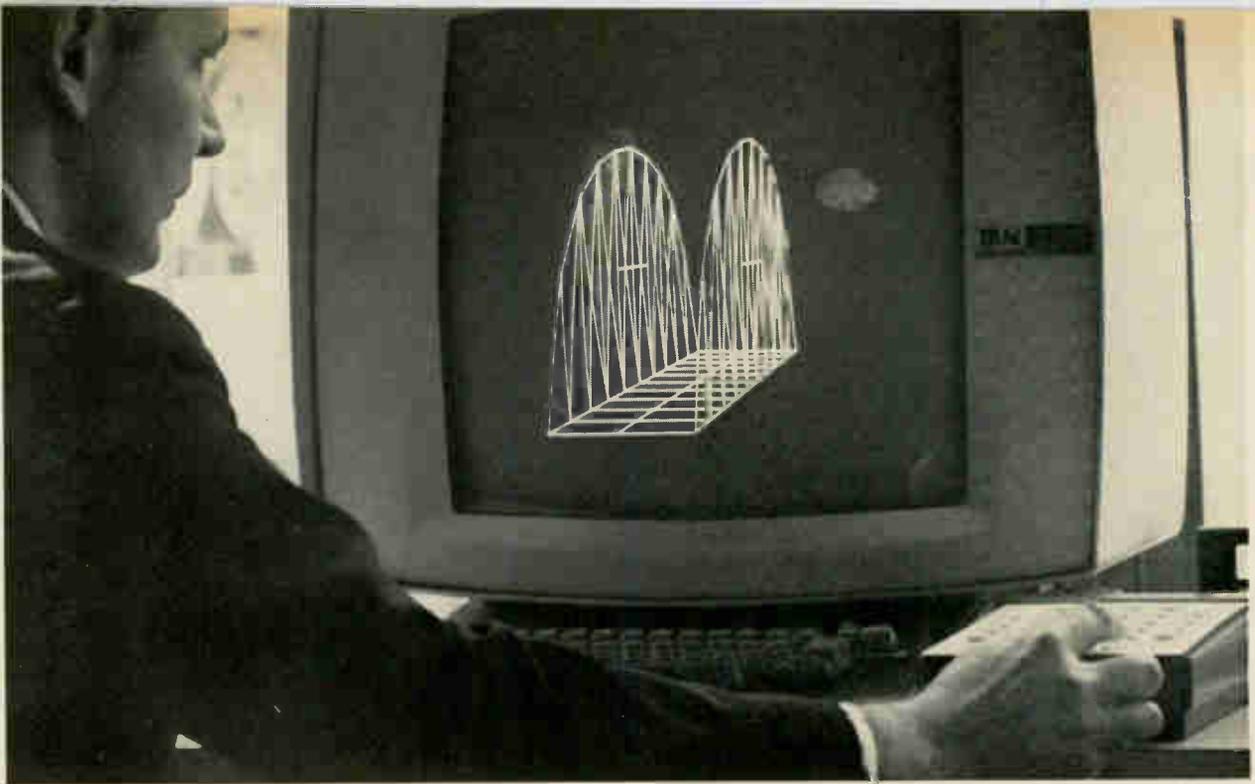
Toward larger memories

A time-shared computer system requires large storage. Memory is arranged in hierarchies of increasing size and decreasing speed, organized so that a user need not worry about memory limitations when writing his program. Present hierarchies consist of arrays of ferrite cores, backed up by a high-speed magnetic drum, and supported further by high-capacity magnetic disks. In 1966, there will be further developments in the technology and organization of very large bulk storage, although few of these will reach the market this year. Photographic recording of data may be one area of development; IBM has already announced that one such system will be installed at the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory of the University of California.

Large computer systems, particularly those used

The computer market grows . . .





Three-dimensional image of a bridge—generated by a mathematical model stored in an IBM System 360 computer—can be examined and manipulated by instructions to the computer. Using the keyboard at right, the operator can display the bridge from different angles and can make the image—or parts of it—larger or smaller.

in multiprogramming and multiprocessing, require complex controls. These controls are often designed efficiently around scratch-pad memories—small, fast memories that back up the main ferrite-core memory array by storing intermediate results of computations or by temporarily holding a small block of data or instructions obtained from the main memory. Electrically nonalterable, or read-only, memories are also used to contain the specific sequence of steps for executing each instruction in the computer's repertoire. Both types of small memories will appear more and more frequently in 1966.

New memories organized to resemble associative memories, will appear in 1966 together with further development of true associative memories. An associative or content-addressable memory may be considered an extreme example of a true random-access file, in which data may be stored with total disregard of its size or location. However, no radically new technology will appear on the market in 1966.

System concepts and developments

The capabilities of third-generation technology will permit old tasks to be done in new ways. From these capabilities will come new ways to organize computer systems, including processors and peripheral gear. Computers in widely separate locations, linked by telephone lines, will communicate with each other through remote consoles, says Claude H. Smith, vice president, marketing, at the data-processing division of Honeywell, Inc.

New peripheral devices will be developed for sensing and controlling various processes. These will promote direct computer control of all kinds of industrial and business processes, closing the

loop that now requires human intervention between the computer's calculation and the adjustment of physical processes. One application might be controlling electrical power-generating and distributing equipment; such computer controls might prevent power failures such as the one that blacked out the Northeast last fall.

Sharing the market

In 1967, the computer field will still be dominated



The tiny plastic cell in the girl's hand stores 4.5 million words on tiny chips of film, the same information found in three volumes of an encyclopedia. It was built by IBM.

by IBM, but that company's leadership position seems to have been eroding slowly, and this process may continue.

General Electric, for instance, has done well with its 600 series, largely at IBM's expense, based primarily on its short delivery schedule. A GE 625 ordered today can be in operation in 12 months, whereas the best IBM can do with its System 360, Model 75 is 24 months. IBM recently lengthened its delivery schedules by two to four months.

Honeywell, Inc., has aimed at IBM's 1400 series for some time with its Series 200, and is now sniping at the smaller models of System 360. The 200's can be made compatible with System 360 in the

same way that the 1400-series machines are. About half of Honeywell's sales replace former IBM installations, according to Smith.

As the number of computers increases, and as computers are replaced by more powerful machines, there arises a market for second-hand machines. This market so far has been relatively small; most producers have been taking back their old machines and either disposing of them or reconditioning them for further use. But when there are enough used machines to attract independent used-computer dealers, the market for new machines is bound to be affected. This trend could begin to take shape in 1966.

Solid state

Ladies' home companion: the silicon controlled rectifier

While solid state components continue to whittle away at vacuum-tube markets, they are also branching out into fields that never required tubes—or electronics of any kind. This year many companies in industrial control and in consumer fields will receive calls for the first time from salesmen of discrete semiconductor devices. Prime consumer targets will be producers of household appliances, business machines, cameras and slide projectors.

Electronic's survey predicts 1966 sales of discrete components—all semiconductors except integrated circuits—at \$714.5 million, a healthy gain from last year's \$669 million. By 1969, the survey estimates that sales will total \$752 million. IC figures are included in another section of this report (p. 137).

Banner year for the scr

The healthiest growth is expected in silicon controlled rectifiers, or thyristors as they are sometimes called in Europe. These will widen their applications in industrial speed and power controls, such as in steel, paper and textile mills. They will also make their first appearances in such household appliances as sewing machines, and slide projectors, and will continue to make inroads in washers and dryers and in heating and in home lighting systems. "By 1970," says Leonard C. Maier, general manager of the General Electric Co.'s semiconductor operations, "half of the consumer electric appliances made in the United States will contain silicon controlled rectifiers."

Sales of scr's should climb to \$39 million this year from \$33 million in 1965, and by 1969 the total should reach \$59 million.

More power transistors

A scramble is shaping up for the high-frequency

power-transistor business. The targets are markets such as aircraft communications, citizens band, community-antenna television systems, radar transponders, radio relays, radiosondes, rescue beacons for life rafts and parachutes, tactical communications, telemetry and troposcatter systems.

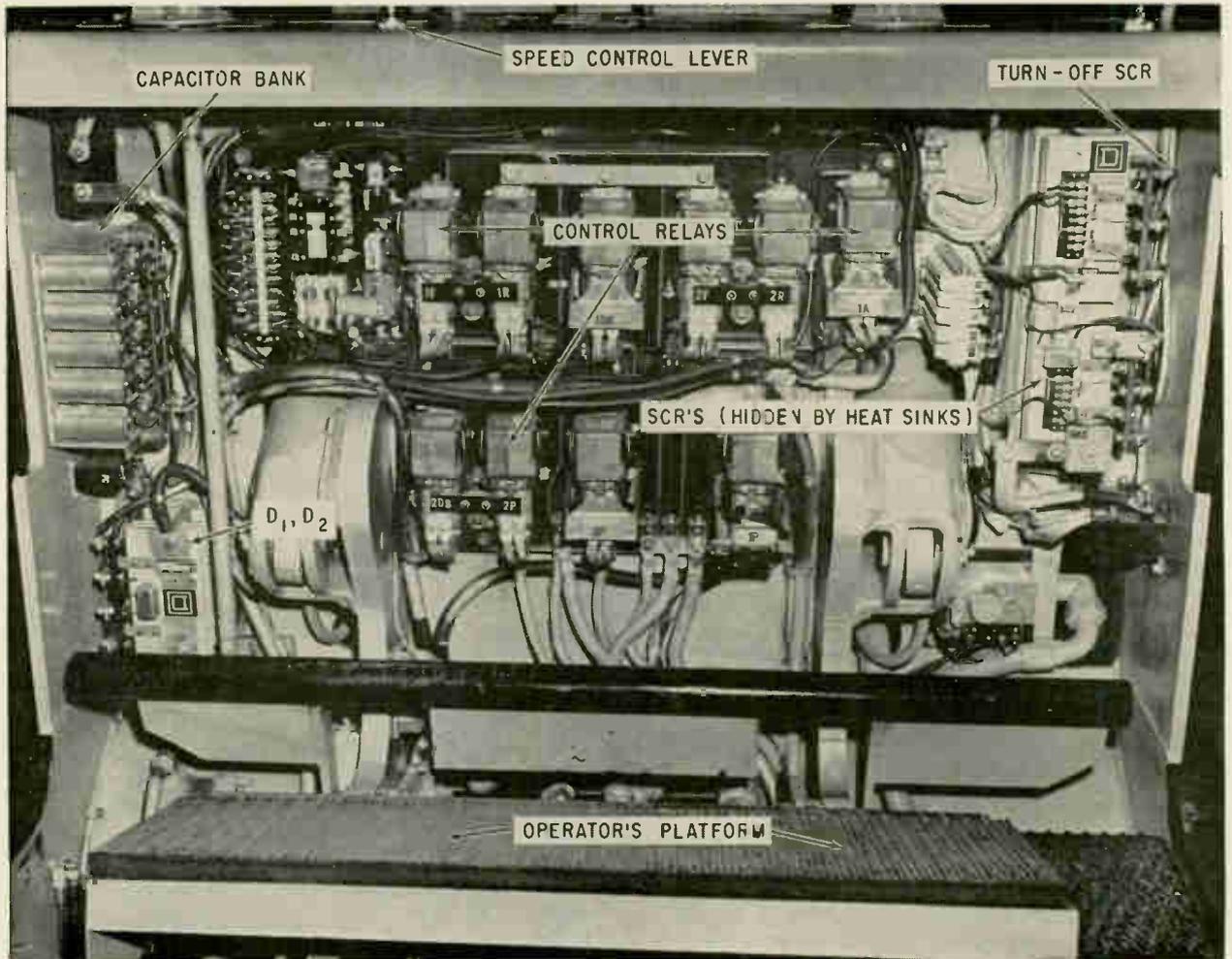
Demand for transistorized sonobuoys may be huge, possibly calling for several hundred thousand transistors. Sonobuoys contain two to nine transistors each. When they sense the presence of a ship, their transmitters turn on and the position of the vessel is fixed by triangulation. Sonobuoys sink when their batteries are exhausted, usually from a few hours to a few days after they are dropped. During the Cuban missile crisis of 1962, about 10,000 sonobuoys a day were dropped.

The battle is already on for the community antenna television (CATV) market. Class A-operated transistors with high, linear gain over wide frequency bands are needed. The chief contenders are the overlay transistor, which contains many emitters tied in parallel by aluminum metallization, and an interdigitated-geometry device whose emitters look like pairs of interlocked combs; this device has complete transistors, known as cells, in parallel. The overlay transistor was introduced commercially in 1964 by the Radio Corp. of America. The parallel-cell device was brought out last year by TRW Semiconductors, Inc., a division of TRW, Inc.

Field-effect transistors

Further gains also are expected for field effect transistors which, despite their cost, have already penetrated the high-fidelity market. Work is under way to increase their operating speeds and power-handling capabilities. Texas Instruments Incorpo-

Big scr's for industrial applications . . .



As the capacity of scr's has increased, new applications have developed like this control for a giant 15-ton electric lift truck which uses four 235-ampere scr's. Increased capacity has come from the fabrication of bigger devices and the development of new techniques such as paralleling scr's.

rated is studying a developmental field effect transistor that can provide outputs of several watts at hundreds of megacycles. Several companies, including the Union Carbide Corp. and Texas Instruments Incorporated, have already built experimental field effect transistors that can operate as amplifiers at up to one gigacycle.

Unijunction transistors

Despite a drop in prices, sales of unijunction transistors will climb to about \$2.5 million in 1966 from 1.6 million last year. This gain will move them ahead of tunnel diodes (about \$2 million) in sales.

The increased demand for unijunction transistors will result largely from greater use of industrial circuitry, which requires unijunction transistors to trigger silicon controlled rectifiers. Plastic-packaged planar unijunctions will bite into the market now dominated by metal-case types built with bar and cube unijunction construction.

The only bad news in the forecast for solid-state suppliers is that Japanese producers will increase their share of the business in 1966, the result of aggressive marketing and low prices.

. . . and little scr's in housewares



Whirlpool Corp. will supply an scr motor control for this home vacuum sweeper which Sears Roebuck and Co. will sell in 1966.

A 60% sales spurt expected this year

When the **Signetics Corp.** opened its new 100,000-square-foot plant in Sunnyvale, Calif., last October, it considered selling its old facilities, encompassing 17,000 square feet, in the same town. Fortunately the company, a subsidiary of the Corning Glass Works, decided to keep the older plant; today both are busy producing integrated circuits.

Signetics' experience is typical of the rapid growth in IC's, which spurted ahead from a standing start in 1964 to sales of \$70 million last year. Sales this year are expected to climb 60% to \$112 million, and a spokesman for Texas Instruments Incorporated predicts \$1 billion in annual sales within a decade.

At Motorola, Inc., C. Lester Hogan, vice president and general manager of semiconductor operations, declares, "One of the industry's biggest problems for the immediate future will be how to keep up with the skyrocketing demand." The Radio Corp. of America seems to agree; RCA is doubling its IC-production capacity, but even after the new facilities are in operation, RCA still will rely heavily on other companies' IC's for its Spectra 70 computers.

Gains for linear and thick-film IC's

Linear IC's will gain more widespread use this year as video and audio amplifiers—also as d-c, i-f and r-f amplifiers. Particularly competitive will be integrated circuits for operational amplifiers. Linear IC's also will appear in cameras, organs and adding machines.

Circuits combining thick-film passive components with silicon chips also are expected to find more applications, almost entirely in custom IC's. Practical circuits already are being made entirely of thin films with active and passive devices deposited on glass or sapphire substrates.

The scramble for the entertainment market will begin in earnest. The biggest early plums may be in automobile radios and television sets. The military also is expected to increase its purchases, reducing temperature specifications to make less expensive IC's, both monolithic and hybrid, acceptable for many applications.

In addition, microwave IC's will become available; multichip construction with thin-film passive components will be used in amplifiers capable of operating at three gigacycles per second. Faster transistor-transistor logical circuits also will be introduced, and more companies will produce this type of circuit. For the future, more companies will begin to design into IC's such devices as tunnel diodes and Schottky hot-electron transistors. There will be increased use of controlled rectifiers in

custom-built integrated circuits.

Strong demand is expected for IC's in dual in-line plug-in packages. Many manufacturers will sell more IC's in this package than in flat-pack and TO-5 cases combined.

As the trend to second-sourcing continues, more companies will adopt type numbers assigned by the EIA instead of their own designations.

Competition in complex IC's

The three approaches to complex monolithic integrated circuits will come in for close competitive scrutiny this year. Metal-oxide semiconductor (MOS) IC's, multilayer IC's and large-chip IC's will be competing with each other in many areas.

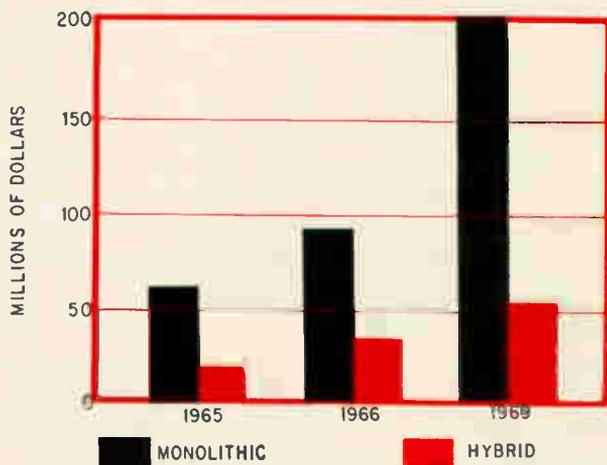
"Systems built with MOS IC's will make large inroads," predicts Donald E. Farina, general manager of the subsystems division at General Microelectronics, Inc., "because they will be able to duplicate the functions of systems using conventional monolithic IC's but will cost less to build.

Gordon E. Moore, research director at the Fairchild Camera & Instrument Corp., predicts increased applications of MOS circuits in analog switching and digital systems where high speed is not essential.

Earl Gregory, marketing manager of General Microelectronics, Inc., says more than half of the MOS IC's sold in 1966 will go into military equipment. Industry sales, he predicts, will climb from \$2 million last year to \$15 million in 1966.

Frank W. Wanlass, director of integrated-circuit operations for the semiconductor division of the General Instrument Corp., expects MOS IC's to constitute a \$140-million market by 1970. "Over-all system speeds" says Wanlass, "will be obtained with MOS integrated circuits that are faster than

Sales of IC's boom . . .



the fastest speeds now being obtained with digital systems."

Not everybody shares Wanlass's optimism. "In the long run," says Alvin B. Phillips, general manager of the integrated circuits department of Sylvania Electric Products, Inc., a subsidiary of the General Telephone & Electronics Corp., "two- or three-oxide-layer integrated circuits, with chips slightly larger than those now being used, will be predominant."

Multiple-oxide-layer IC's contain monolithic chips on top of which alternate layers of metal (interconnections) and oxide are placed. Stewart-Warner Microcircuits, Inc., a division of the Stewart-Warner Corp., is currently using this technique (three oxide and three metal layers) to put more than 2,000 components on a single 100-by-100-mil chip. Frances Hugle, director of research and engineering at Stewart-Warner Microcircuits, expects wider use of multioxide-layer construction this year in high-density systems that require high operating speeds but do not have severe power-handling requirements. For complex low-speed systems, where low battery drain is important, William Martin, marketing engineer for Texas Instruments, expects MOS IC's to be most prevalent.

Large-chip IC's may be approaching the limit of their popularity. C. Robert Cooke, Jr., director of research and development at the Semiconductor

division of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corp., says monolithic chip sizes should reach 250-by-250 mils in two or three years, but adds that "applications for chip sizes this large will probably be limited." The large number of pins required will be a restricting factor, Cooke explains.

"We can produce 180-by-180-mil chips," says Richard J. Hanschen, assistant vice president of TI's Semiconductor Components division, "but we don't see a widespread need for them." Hanschen points out that current chip sizes, such as 100-by-100 mils, are sufficient to meet most present and anticipated requirements. Chips 70-by-200 mils were in the IC's that TI introduced in 1960.

The General Instrument Corp. is developing a line of MOS IC's that will use 100-by-150-mil chips. Wanlass says the bigger chips are being used to permit the use of larger MOS transistors for greater power-handling capability, rather than to put more transistors onto a single chip.

And if present methods for producing complex integrated circuits cannot provide enough component density, Frances Hugle of Stewart-Warner has a suggestion: "Diffusing components into both sides of the chip is possible," she says. "For example, an optoelectronic integrated circuit could have a light detector on one side and output circuitry on the other side of the same chip."

Instrumentation

Market becoming richer . . . and more competitive

Although sales will cross the \$600-million mark this year, up from \$535 million in 1965, electronic instrumentation is rapidly becoming a buyer's market. Competition is stronger and specifications more stringent. The customer is no longer willing to compromise; if his supplier cannot provide an instrument tailored closely to his needs, another supplier will.

For example, the Fairchild Camera & Instrument Corp. last year developed an oscilloscope that captures high-speed transients that occur only once; the instrument has fiber optics in the faceplate to increase brightness of the traces so they can be recorded photographically. And the Hewlett-Packard Co. supplied the Bell System with a television waveform monitor that displays short-duration pulses with low duty cycle in a brightly lit tv room.

Seeking civilian markets

Remembering the effects of cutbacks in defense spending last year, instrument manufacturers are seeking industrial customers. Gulton Industries, Inc., is one of an increasing number of companies

that operate on the principle that selling to industry is different from selling to the military. "They buy to specifications and accept no deviations," says Leslie K. Gulton, president of the company, which derives about half of its income from civilian sales.

Companies that offer a full line of test and measuring equipment usually fare best in the civilian market. That's why many small companies in the instrument field are rounding out their product lines through acquisition or merger.

Many innovations in 1966 will result from the continuing trend toward automation. Many more automatic test and production facilities can be built, and for less money, if conventional instruments can become the bases for complete, more exotic lines.

To provide better interface with computers, measuring instruments and power supplies are being made with remote readout and programing capabilities. Fairchild's instrumentation division, for example, introduced a laboratory dual-power source in 1965 that is externally programable. Such instruments, usable in more than one ap-

plication, are becoming more common.

Event and strip-chart recorders, along with x-y plotters, are also receiving a boost from automation. Sales of these devices should exceed \$52 million. These items are needed to provide a permanent record of what has occurred. Manufacturers are building into these devices more accuracy, broader bandwidths and greater flexibility. Magnetic tape instrumentation recorders have usually been considered too expensive to be practical for these applications, but that situation seems to have changed; Hewlett-Packard has introduced a low-cost instrumentation tape recorder for industry. In some applications, this new device may replace the graphic recorder.

Other innovations are aimed at increasing versatility and simplifying operation. In line with this, says a General Radio Co. spokesman, is the trend to automatic instruments such as component measuring bridges, which reduce by 90% the time the best technician takes to make a measurement. In addition, incorporating printout devices with these instruments makes it unnecessary for the operator to stop and record the results manually. At present, however, some accuracy has to be sacrificed to accomplish this. General Radio's automatic capacitor bridge has an accuracy of 0.1% while the best available bridges are an order of magnitude better.

With plug-ins, oscilloscope makers are increas-

ing versatility and sophistication. At the same time, they are working toward devices that are easier to use. Advances in semiconductors are making high-accuracy oscilloscopes available as portable instruments for field use. Many scopes now have outputs for digital printout or a graphic recorder.

Even with all these innovations, advances in instrumentation are becoming harder to achieve. "Whereas previous developments may have resulted in accuracy being increased from 10% to 1%," says Kenneth Halvorsen, technical director of Beckman Instruments, Inc., "it is much harder to increase the accuracy of a 1% instrument by an order of magnitude." Although accuracy is important to the user, he now considers many other specifications when considering the purchase of an instrument.

"Applications of instrumentation are limitless," Halvorsen declares. "The fields of medicine and education, along with the automobile and chemical industries, are all increasing their reliance upon instrumentation. However, many problems must be solved before these opportunities can be pursued profitably. The user-instrument interface must be smoothed over. And we need engineers trained in the areas in instrument design and application. There just aren't enough of these people around," he added wistfully.

Microwave

Leveling off forecast for '66 after the unexpected rebound of '65

The microwave industry confounded the experts last year. They had predicted a continuation of the 1963-64 decline, but sales rebounded to about \$500 million—the 1963 level. This year, those willing to hazard a guess are split between those who think business will continue to rise and those who predict about the same level as in 1965. Electronics' survey predicts an increase in sales of both microwave systems (from \$80 million to \$84 million) and instruments (from \$62.6 million to \$72.8 million).

About 25% of the sales will be for tubes. Other major segments will include radio relay, radar, telemetry and microwave measuring equipment, each of which is expected to account for 12% to 16% of the market.

The government will continue to be the biggest customer. "Let us not deceive ourselves," says John Minck, marketing manager of the Hewlett-Packard Co.'s microwave division, "the bulk of the big money in microwaves is coming from the government." Hal Tenney, marketing manager at Western Microwave Laboratories, Inc., agrees: "There isn't enough commercial business to support the industry. It has to be supported by the military."

The war in Vietnam has taught the military the need for more sophisticated systems, Tenney says. Minck sees 1966 as a year of proposals rather than of sales. "The big contracts aren't going to break," he says. "The government is going to demand tighter specs because it knows they can be achieved. Bidding is going to be tougher because the government is going to award contracts only to the firms that understand advanced techniques. Thus, the technical leaders are going to get bigger at the expense of the laggards."

Technical advances

Hewlett-Packard is trying to extend the capabilities of present microwave equipment to meet users' tighter specifications.

For instance, the spacing of mobile communications channels is now being decreased from 100 kilocycles per second at 100 megacycles to 50 kc and perhaps even to 25 kc. This requires very stable signal generators, so H-P has developed a disciplining oscillator which, when used with its standard signal generators, improves frequency stability by two orders of magnitude. The device,

called the 8708, is an adjustable stable crystal oscillator using a phase-lock sampling technique. It is untuned, with the front end wide open and phase locks with zero frequency offset. The 20-Mc output of a crystal oscillator is counted down to a 2-ke sampling frequency; the d-c correction signal is fed back to the signal generator.

The market for microwave tubes will be strong for several reasons. For one thing, existing radar communications systems will continue to require spares. And although solid state circuits are making inroads into the microwave signal-source area, it will be a long time before they replace traveling-wave tubes entirely; twt's have broad bandwidths, and so far nothing in solid state can do a comparable job.

Finally, there are still many areas in electronics where adequate performance can be achieved only with tubes. New areas for sophisticated, high-performance tubes are still opening up. Some are spin-offs from aerospace requirements; others are caused by the crowded conditions of the spectrum below X band; still others result from the need to increase capabilities of existing systems. But Dean Watkins, president of Watkins-Johnson Co., expects no big developments in microwave tubes; he does predict continued, steady improvement in tube technology, however.

The market for electronic tubes in 1966 should be about \$120 million, up from \$117 million last year.

Eimac, a division of Varian Associates, has developed a "window" twt that can remain in the system, turned off, with an insertion loss of only one decibel. When turned on, it provides a gain of 10 db. Eimac's first such tube is rated at 1.5-kilowatts peak power output; the goal is 5-kw peak power output, with efficiency of 40% over the 2.5- to 5.8-Gc range.

Although it wasn't his intention to compete with twt's, R. P. Wadhwa of Litton Industries, Inc., has developed a low-noise crossed-field amplifier. Crossed-field tubes, he says, are more efficient than twt's and have greater bandwidth at high power, good saturation characteristics and better phase linearity. Wadhwa's first experimental amplifier has 12 watts output with only 3.5 db of noise in the 3-Gc range; a twt with comparable output, he says, has a noise figure of about 30 db. His goal is a 2-kw amplifier with noise of only 30 db in the same frequency range.

Further improvements in magnetrons are expected this year. Eimac soon will announce a magnetically shielded magnetron for use in systems where packaging density requires tubes to be close together; magnetic shielding prevents the tubes from degaussing each other, or from adversely affecting other ferromagnetic devices. Eimac's magnetrons range in power from 50 milliwatts to 75 watts, over a range of 250 to 3,200 Mc.

The ferrite market is continuing to grow, says Tenney of Western Microwave. Most microwave systems for the government require ferrite devices,

he says, including radar, communications, reconnaissance and electronic countermeasures systems from 1.2 to 12 Gc. Pulse-latched ferrite switches developed by Western Microwave make it possible to talk about large phased-array radars with many channels. Pulse-latching requires no holding power and makes a very efficient system.

Yttrium-iron-garnet (YIG) devices will become increasingly important. Watkins-Johnson, for instance, has developed techniques to make YIG filters in large quantities. In addition, says Watkins, the company has learned how to reduce size and weight by a factor of 10 in some models, with no loss in performance. Some time this year, the company will introduce YIG-tuned transistor oscillators—a new application of YIG's and transistors. And the company is setting up new facilities for work in microwave integrated circuits. Mainly this will involve tying YIG devices in with other microwave elements. Using this concept, says Watkins, it may be possible to make an entire receiver front end in an IC package.

In microwave antennas, a new approach to achieving high scanning rates is needed, according to Mike Apar, marketing manager for the Dalmo-Victor Co. The eventual goal, says Apar, is the electronically steerable array; all long-range development programs are aimed in this direction. Antenna designers feel, however, that phase shifters are not yet reliable enough to achieve this goal. Thus, they say, there has to be an interim design. Most promising is the Cassegrain technique, with which high scanning rate can be achieved because a relatively low-mass, small-size element is displaced through a small amplitude.

Industrial microwave heating will be another growth area in 1966. The most promising new technique seems to be the use of microwaves to process cloth for permanent-press garments.

New classifications

Readers will note that this year's Electronic survey differs, in composition, from Electronics market reports of the past, with the result that all totals for 1966 are slightly higher. Electronics has enlarged the survey to include 30 additional categories (see gatefold, p. 111). In previous surveys, some of these categories were included in other larger classifications; others were too small to be included.

The new categories are: timers, panel meters, noise measuring equipment, impedance measuring equipment, microwave oscilloscopes, microwave measuring equipment, microwave spectrum analyzers, microwave sweep generators, microwave pulse generators, nuclear personal dosimeters, nuclear tube detectors, nuclear scintillation detectors, nuclear ionization chambers, nuclear industrial gauging, optoelectronic instruments and equipment, data transmission equipment, data acquisition equipment, cryogenic equipment, ultrasonic equipment, machine tool controls, consumer tape recorders, light dimmers, consumer antennas, batteries, microwave components, fractional horsepower motors, film circuits, solder, and manual switches.

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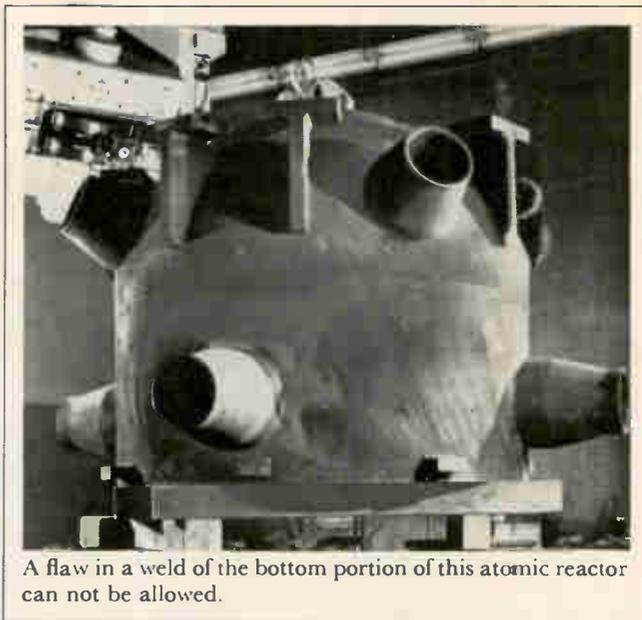
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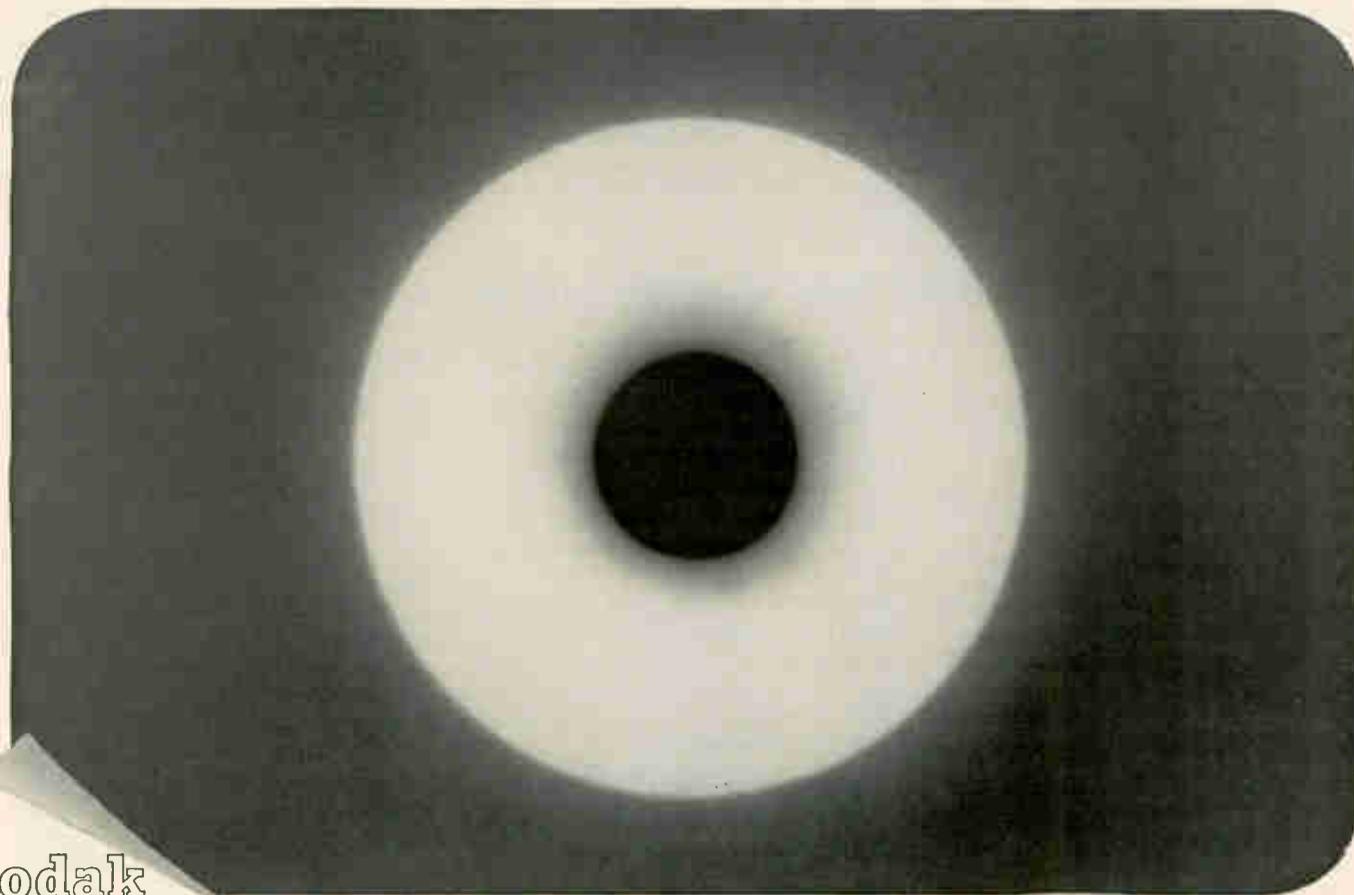
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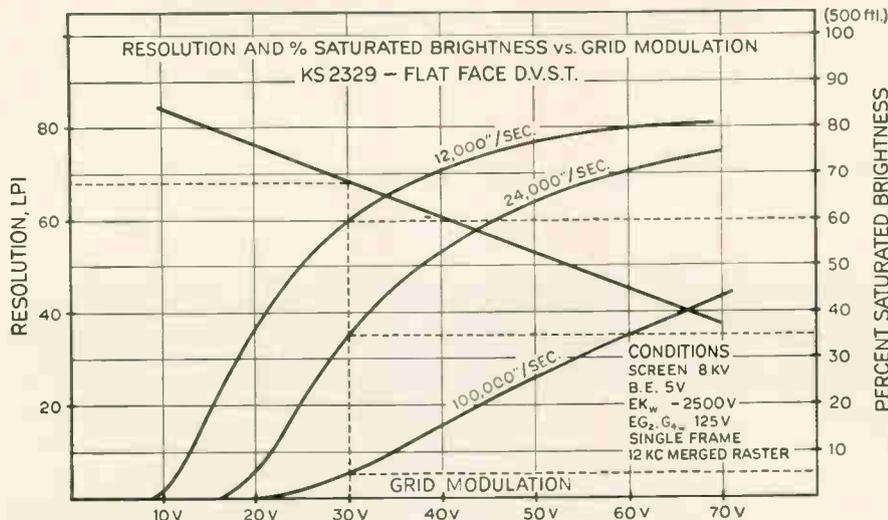
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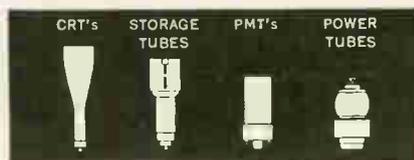
NEW STORAGE TUBE SHARPENS TRACKING SYSTEM'S VISION

The newest generation of tracking and radar systems demands a new generation of direct view storage tubes with improved dynamic display uniformity and resolution capabilities. Du Mont engineers have taken on this problem with marked success.

Case in point: the storage tube originally specified for the PPI of a certain missile tracking system (not Du Mont) lacked center-to-edge uniformity of writing, erasing and brightness. The area at the center of the screen built up a disproportionately high signal charge level. This increased background brightness to the point of obscuring nearby targets. The condition could be partially compensated by increasing storage electrode bias, but this reduced sensitivity to remote weak targets displayed in the peripheral area. Another alternative, equally unsatisfactory, was to erase the image completely every two or three minutes. This left the system blind during the interval required for a complete antenna rotation.

The problem was eliminated by the storage tube Du Mont designed and built for this application. This tube, Type KS2329, achieves substantially uniform dynamic characteristics over the entire storage surface. Resolution capability—600 TV lines in the useful diameter—is 60% greater than that of the original tube. And, with no increase in length, a 12% increase in useful diameter (to 9") was achieved.

Reliability in severe environments was another requirement. So, with its integral mu-metal shield, the Type KS2329 is potted in a resilient, fungus-resistant compound, and is fitted with multiple pin locking connectors and rugged mounting lugs.



The final result was a significant advance in storage tube technology—or, from the customer's viewpoint, a tracking system with greatly improved vision. Now both strong and weak targets are displayed with excellent resolution, persistence and brightness. Additional features include internal feedback correction electrodes for high pattern geometry accuracy and zero DP current operation to overcome deflection non-linearities resulting from unpredictable collection of writing beam current and reflected flood beam current.

COMPACT PACKAGING

Another new storage tube developed by Du Mont packs unusual performance into a small envelope—and even that is designed to provide extra space for circuitry in the area around the yoke. This tube has a screen diameter of 5", overall length of only 8". Resolution is better than 125 lines/in.; writing speed is 300,000 in./sec. Since the tube has the same excellent integration characteristics as the KS2329, it is expected to find wide application as an indicator in airborne radars, or as a radar indicator and TV display monitor.

Other Du Mont storage tube developments include an on-axis writing gun. This considerable feat, never successfully accomplished in larger tubes, hinged on locating the flood gun or guns off-axis while retaining uniform illumination. The Du Mont tube does not depend on physical alignment to do this. Instead, three off-axis guns are used with split anodes which direct the beam from each toward or away from the tube axis. Uniform illumination is achieved, the write gun is located on-axis—and the DVST can replace a CRT with no change in deflection components.

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Bowmar: emphasis on digital displays, assemblies

This time of year is one of looking ahead, evaluating past performance and considering new possibilities for growth in the future. Bowmar Instrument Corporation served many new customers during the year past and contributed substantially to their growth with an influx of new products and expanded assembly capabilities, some of which are highlighted below.

Bowmar is known as a manufacturer of one of the industry's most complete lines of precision servo components. From design to final test, the firm offers a most complete service to major prime contractors.

Having one of the best backgrounds in precision military displays, the company produced a data annotation system, the AN/UAS-7, last year for use in the Army Mohawk in Viet Nam. Major display assemblies are a Bowmar specialty.

Much of Bowmar's growth has been predicated on new display products for many years. In 1955, the company designed seventeen types of counters which are still standard in such systems as the B58 Hustler. Other latitude, longitude, variation and various types of navigational counters created by Bowmar have been used extensively in such systems as Polaris, Apollo, Ihas, F-4, F-111, Hawkeye, and commercially in the Boeing 707 and the Douglas DC-9.

The growing need for electrically-pulsed displays to be used on a time-shared basis with computers prompted the company to create displays with sufficient response time and small sizes to fulfill applications where space is critical.

Bowmar has become the only firm to offer both seven-bar incandescent and magnetically-detented readouts, called Opticator® and Logicator®, respectively. The fast-acting, miniature displays are easily read by pilots and ground station operators, and are adaptable for various ambient light conditions for legible annotation on film. "Plug-in commonality" is designed in to allow common usage throughout a system, eliminating the need to replace the complete conversion and logic portions of a system.

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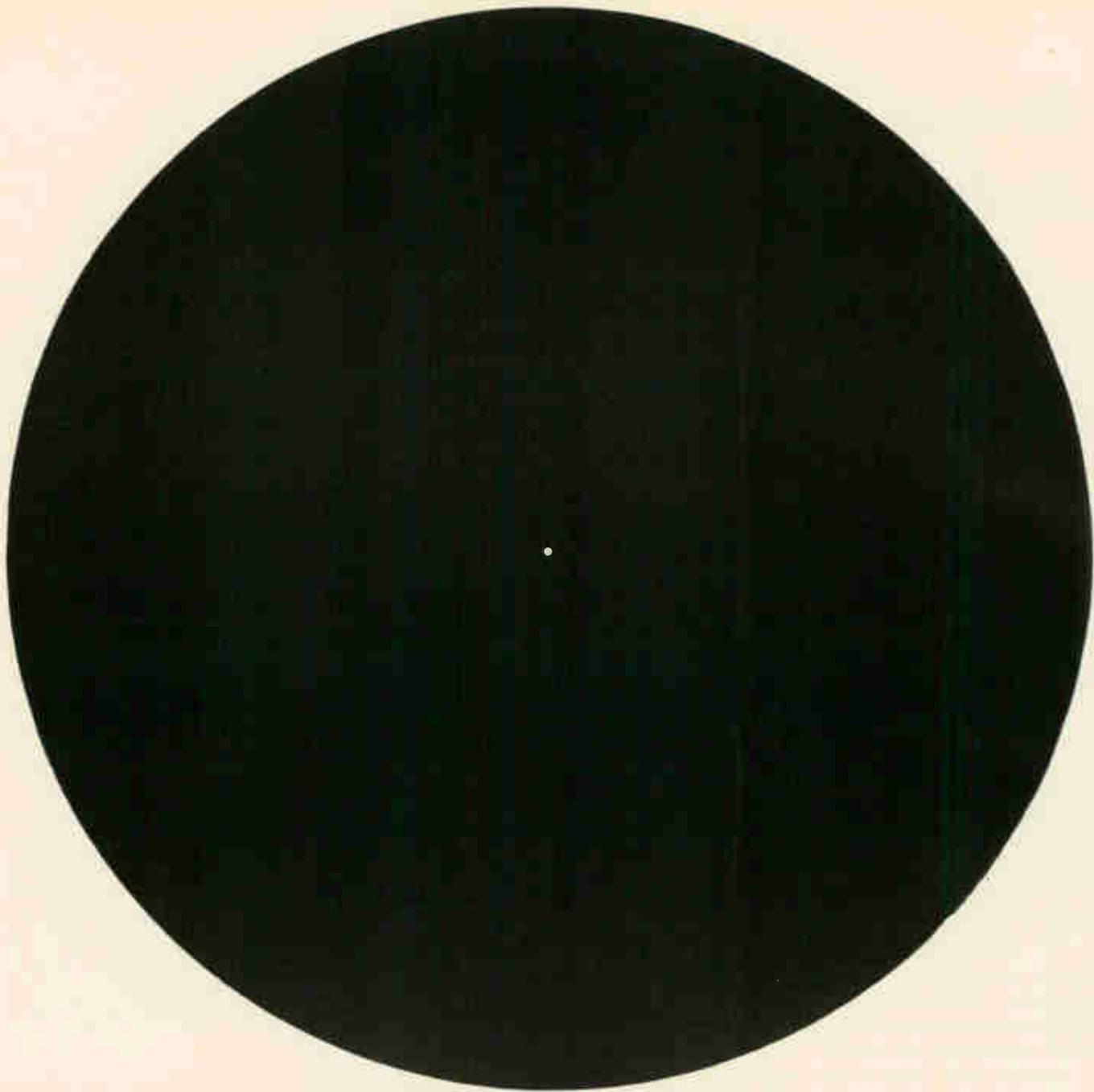
Many Bowmar products find their beginnings in new material processes and techniques in the company's chemical and metallurgical test lab. The firm's comprehensive quality assurance program also begins here, if the product is being researched and developed in house, or at the production line in the case of an existing, qualified product. Quality assurance maintains its vigil every step of the way, even to the installation in the customer's system, if necessary.

Bowmar was among the first firms of its size to adopt and activate a Zero Defects program. Initial goals for the first year in eliminating defects were exceeded by the company's employees in a matter of months, and it appears the company will register one of the industry's best records of success in producing defect-free products.

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If the booster has a beacon aboard, the computer gets information from the ground up; but in most cases the computer must rely on radar skin tracking and on telemetered data on pitch, yaw, and roll. Vandenberg has two correlated tracking and range (Cotar) systems for boosters equipped with beacons; Cotar is a passive system which externally looks like a half-acre field of six-inch stumps. The stumps are dipole antennas, and the Cotar determines range by measuring a signal's difference in phase at different antennas. Cotar is ultrahigh frequency; the range also uses the General Electric Co. Range Tracking System (Gerts), a passive I-band system.

The Strategic Air Command, to preserve realism, does not want anyone hanging beacons on its birds, so the range must follow ICBM's by skin tracking. The first radar to pick up the missile is the M-33, but this pulse system is for short range only, and two FPS-16's on Vandenberg's Mount Tranquillon take over when the missile is at their own altitude, 2,000 feet. The

WTR's single TPQ-18, the most advanced form of pulse tracking radar operating at 5,400 to 5,900 megacycles, is also at Vandenberg; this set is essential when the FPS-16's at the base and at Pillar Point and the Navy's San Nicholas Island lose contact. With the help of "ducting" in the troposphere, which acts like a big waveguide in the sky, the TPQ-18 can track out to 2,500 miles.

Once an ICBM has left Vandenberg's control, it is watched by a cooperative network that includes elements from the Army, Navy, NASA, and the Air Force.

III. Updating the range

Vandenberg's range distance will be expanded as budgets grow. "But we plan to buy only what is needed," says Col. R. W. Hoffman, the director of range engineering. And, in fact, there are no plans to dress up the WTR with continuous-wave radar systems such as Mistran and Udop in the Eastern Range. Nevertheless, the expansion of Vandenberg and the budget increase spell the end of minimum instrumentation.

NASA is switching much of its unmanned launch activity to the base. The Air Force's Start project, a four-step program to develop a space ferry that can fly into orbit and supply manned space stations, is centered there. The maneuvering reentry vehicles in the Air Force's Advanced Ballistic Reentry System (Abres) will require that the WTR cover a greater range of the Pacific. Scramjet will be



Stanley R. Radom, civilian technical director, says new programs at Western Test Range will require new equipment.

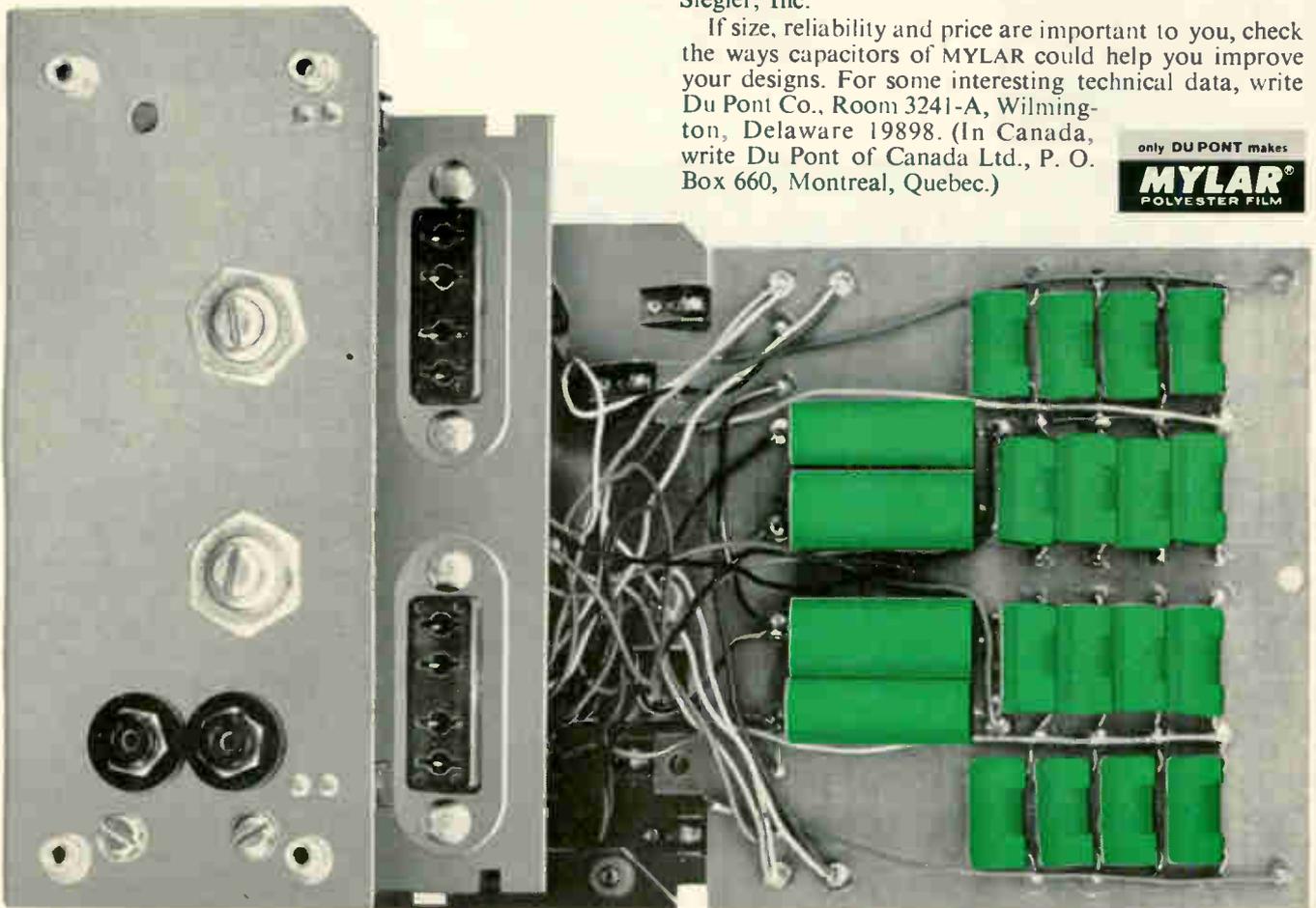
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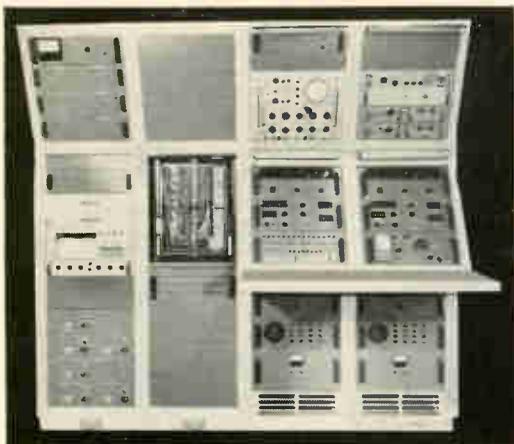


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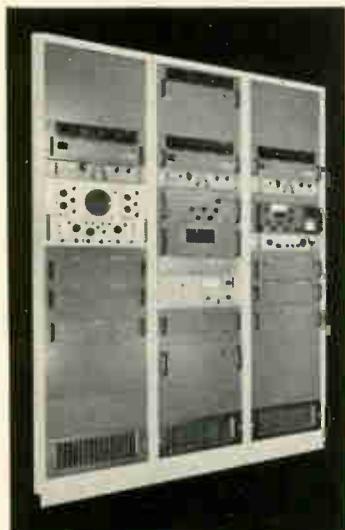
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tested at Vandenberg, and the Army is testing the Nike-X missile defense system at Kwajalein. The MOL program alone will demand the addition of one or more systems to the range equipment.

New switches. Within a year, the range will have automatic switching equipment installed so that communications and data channels between control consoles and the various launch pads can be changed quickly and easily. At present, the channels must be hand-patched, a process that takes hours—sometimes days. With the new equipment, for which the Western Electric Co. is the prime contractor, changing channels will be a matter of dialing. The equipment is necessary if the range is to handle dissimilar launches from different complexes in a short time—if, say, it must send an Atlas-Agena on its way, then turn quickly to a Minuteman.

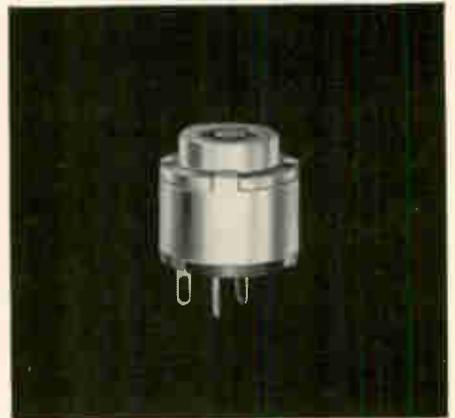
An IBM 7044 computer is now being debugged; when it is operational, late in 1966, it will be used for real-time processing of tracking, data for range safety, freeing the 7094 for full-time data reduction. A new safety control room is being built. It will double present equipment, so that two missiles or boosters may be watched simultaneously.

For better impact prediction, the Radio Corp. of America is working on a trilateration system using the FPS-16 radars at Mount Tranquillon and San Nicholas Island, and the TPQ-18 at Vandenberg. The Pillar Point FPS-16 and one aboard a ship may be added later.

The WTR already supports more than 60 programs. "With the advent of new ones, we are going to have to refine our equipment," Radom says. "There are bound to be difficulties; for one thing, the instruments must now be man-rated, for manned launches. For another, we can't be sure that the switch to S-band telemetry won't give trouble. Will there be a drop-out problem because of different antenna patterns? We don't know yet; S band has worked well with large vehicles, but hasn't been tried with small ones."

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Silicon-nitride coatings are expected to produce healthier field effect transistors, higher-voltage planar components, and, ultimately, microwave-frequency planar germanium circuits

By Thomas Maguire

Boston Regional Editor

Is another revolution brewing in semiconductor technology?

Developers of a new process for coating silicon think they've made an advance that will significantly improve the performance of solid-state components. Instead of silicon oxide, the old standby coating for diffusion masking, junction passivation and dielectric insulation, scientists at the Sperry Rand Corp. Research Center are using silicon nitride.

The switch from oxide to nitride seems a simple change, because there is little change in the rest of the silicon-planar process, the one used today to make most silicon

transistors, diodes and rectifiers, all of the monolithic integrated circuits and the metal-oxide-semiconductor (MOS) devices and circuits.

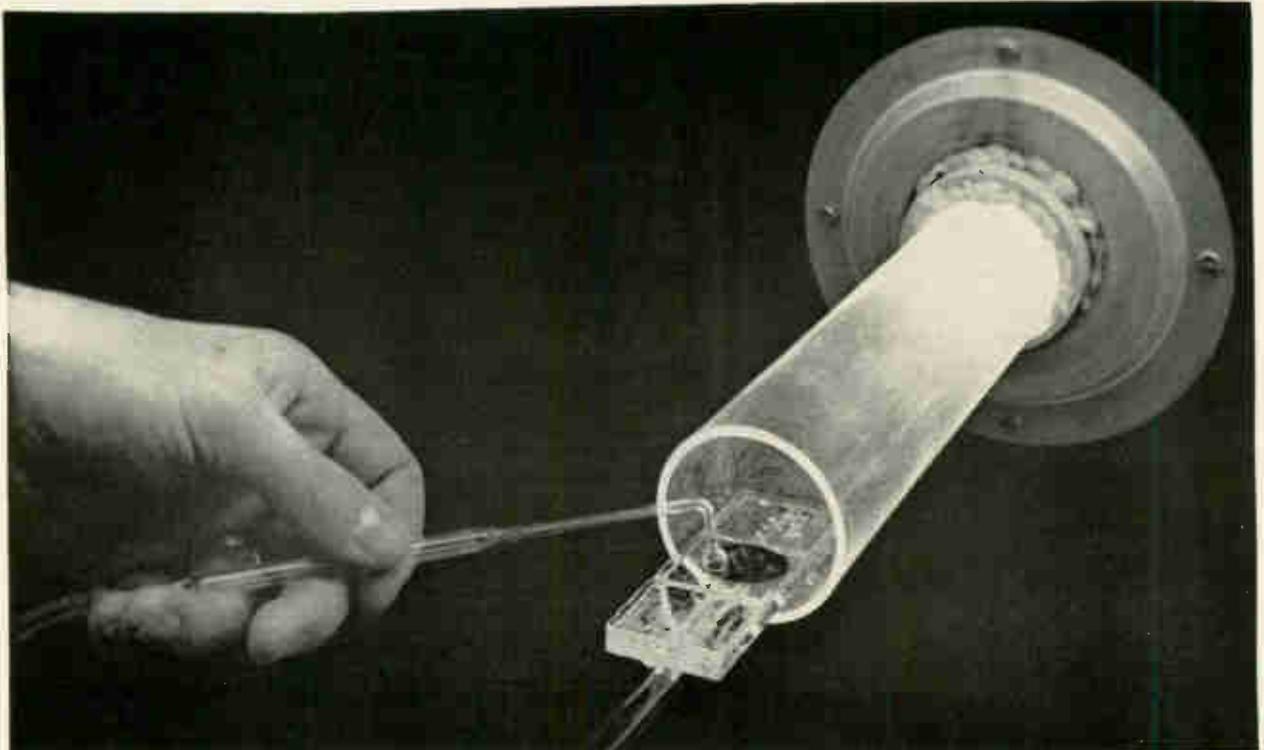
But the new process cures the instability ailments of MOS transistors. It will probably boost the speed of MOS computer circuits five times and double or triple the voltage of planar transistors and diodes, Sperry Rand researchers say.

And because the nitride is deposited, not grown by oxidizing the silicon crystal, it should be applicable to other semiconductors, including germanium, gallium arsenide and indium arsenide. Hopes

are that planar germanium devices operating at microwave frequencies can be built with the process.

A metal-nitride-semiconductor, insulated-gate, field effect transistor (MNS-Igfet) has already been built and tested at the research center in Sudbury, Mass. It reportedly is markedly better in stability than MOS-Igfet's and has a lower threshold voltage and higher voltage-handling capability. Sperry Rand has already installed nitride processing equipment at its semiconductor division plant in Norwalk, Conn., and plans to be selling MNS devices in a year.

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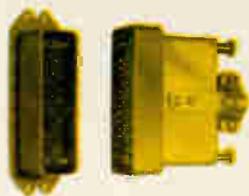


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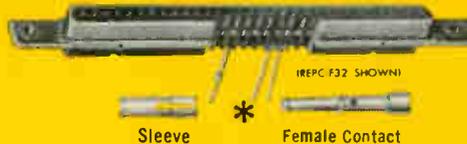
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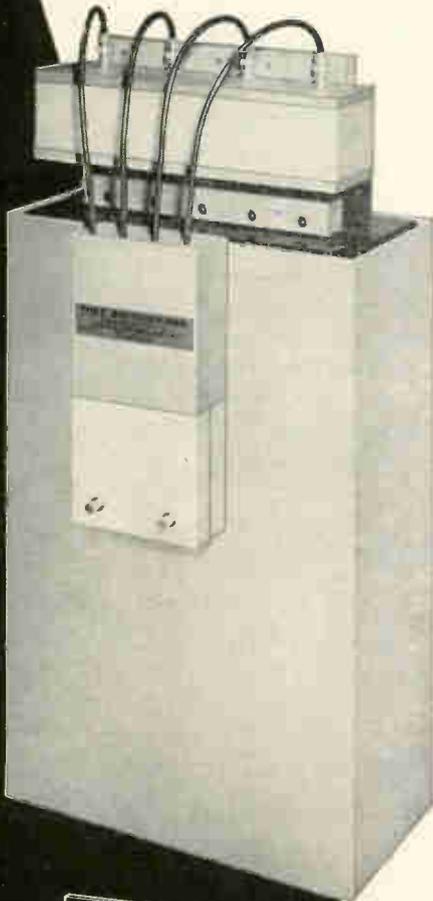
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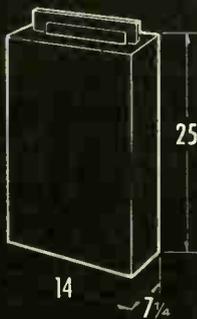
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Researchers at the IBM labs in East Fishkill, N. Y., have been experimenting with nitride coatings as a way to obtain smaller, better isolated integrated-circuit devices. Small size and dielectric isolation are two ways to boost the speed of logic circuits. IBM found that nitride is more durable than oxide and more impervious to silicon-diffusion materials than oxide. Thus, thinner nitride layers can be used as diffusion masks. The thinner the layer, the smaller the masks that can be etched—IBM has etched stripes as narrow as 0.0001 inch, at last report. Alone, or in combination with deposited oxide, the nitride also makes a dandy isolation structure around devices diffused into little islands of silicon crystal. IBM has been dividing the islands with oxide and polycrystalline silicon [Electronics, June 14, 1965, p. 40].

IBM first reported on the deposition process last October. Since then it has used the process to make experimental devices and isolation structures. It won't identify the devices, except to say that they aren't all for logic circuits. IBM has also noted the high-voltage capability of nitride—in the isolation experiments, films thinner than a micron withstood 200 volts without breakdown.

I. Something for everybody

The nitride process "is the first significantly different development in silicon technology since the planar-epitaxial breakthrough of 1960-61," claims Roger Newman, manager of solid-state sciences at the Sperry lab in Sudbury.

"It may well become the dominant silicon planar technology," adds Arthur M. Cappon, applications engineering manager at Sperry's Norwalk plant.

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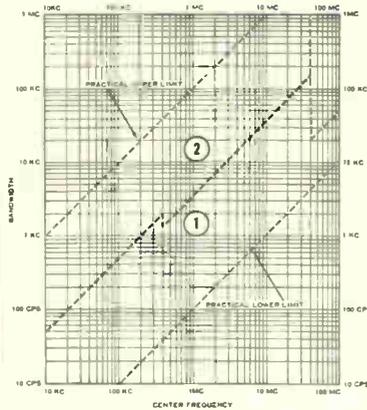


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the promise of reduced size and lower cost promised by the MOS technique [Electronics, Oct. 4, 1965, p. 84]. The use of MOS, he claims, has been retarded by the "uncertain stability" of the oxide now used as the insulation.

MNS will also permit high-performance complementary arrays of Igfet's—"good n- and p-channels on the same substrate," Cappon says. Nobody else has reported good n-channel devices because oxide favors p-channel devices, he claims. Because both types can be made well, he sees a five-to-one improvement in integrated-circuit speed or frequency—5 megacycles for MNS as against 1 megacycle average propagation time for MOS.

The Sperry lab's chief device developer, H. A. Richard Wegener, is more bullish. With complementary transistors and sharply reduced device size, he thinks, MNS circuits can be pushed to 10 megacycles. Among the first applications expected are computer logic and memory arrays.

Because nitride is a better barrier against diffusants, Cappon says, the dielectric layer can be thinner, eliminating the need for special trimming during processing.

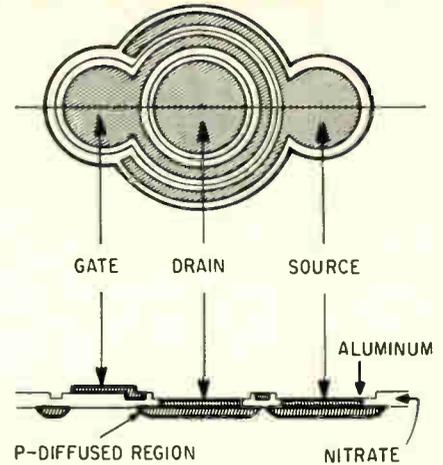
Mandelkorn expects the nitride process to be applied soon to integrated circuits. In addition, he thinks the process will permit production of planar diodes and double-diffused transistors with two or three times their present voltage-handling capacity.

On television. Cappon agrees. "In the transistorization of television," he says, the sweep-amplifier circuit poses a real problem. A high-voltage, moderate-current transistor is needed, and this process should be able to supply it at a reasonable price."

Cappon sees an important role for the MNS process in production of planar-type cathode-ray-tube drivers, high-voltage rectifiers and silicon controlled rectifiers, as well.

Meanwhile, at Sudbury, the researchers are trying the nitride on other semiconductors. Newman plans to test it on gallium arsenide and indium arsenide, promising, but little-used intermetallics.

"We have had preliminary success with germanium," Newman says. Wegener says the process shows definite promise in the fab-



Igfet structure. Sketch of an insulated gate field effect transistor indicates where Sperry Rand researchers use silicon nitride for diffusion masking, p-n junction passivation, and as a dielectric.

rication of germanium microwave devices. IBM has also reported successful application of nitride to germanium. At least one company, Texas Instruments Incorporated, has made microwave-frequency germanium devices with a planar process. However, TI deposits silicon dioxide as the diffusion mask and insulation [Electronics, April 6, 1964, p. 62].

II. The MNS-Igfet

A report on Sperry's experiments with the MNS-Igfet is being published this month in the Proceedings of the IEEE by the Sperry team of Newman, Wegener, Nigel C. Tombs, Bradley T. Kenney and Anthony J. Coppola.

The Igfet is a p-channel, enhancement-mode device with a geometry (shown above) identical to that of an MOS transistor. Its average gate diameter is 125 microns, its width is 12.5 microns, distance between source and drain is 10 microns, and the thickness of the silicon nitride layer under the gate is 1,000 angstroms.

In prolonged tests, the threshold voltages remained below 5 volts. No measurable changes occurred in the electrical characteristics, the team says, during a temperature-bias test in which unencapsulated devices were stored at 150° C with 30 volts positive applied to the gate.

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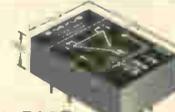
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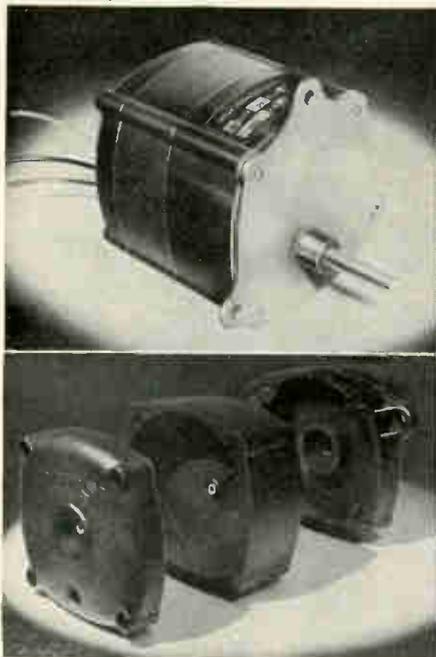


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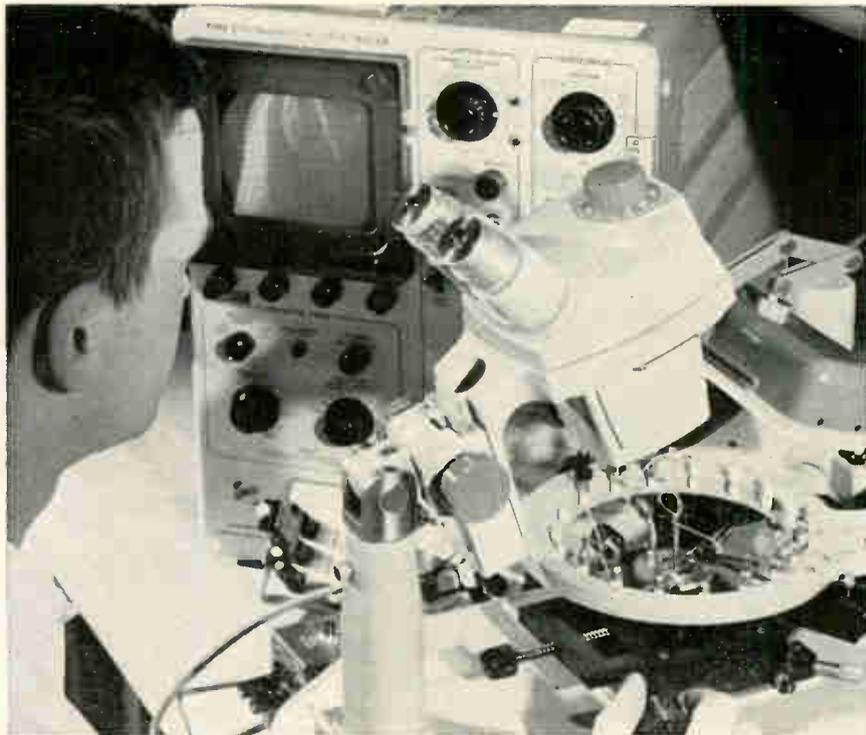
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with electrostatic interactions between the oxide layer and the silicon. At 100° C, the gate's operating point can be shifted by more than 70 volts, they report, blaming the displacement on the drifting of ions through the oxide layer under the influence of the applied field.

III. The physics of dirt

What makes the MNS more stable than MOS? The answer is a complicated one, which Wegener unfolds in this way:

"Semiconductor technology has been referred to as the physics of dirt." Planar processing solved most of the early problems of unwanted materials, but the "interface between the silicon and the outside world" is still a problem.

"The better this interface is controlled, the better the surface is tailored, the better will be the device structure and performance."

The MNS process, he continues, improves the interface.

Ionic drift. MOS is all right at room temperature, Wegener says, but ionic drift—a form of dirt—sets in above 80° or 90°. Mobile ions trapped in the dielectric build up a static charge which changes the device characteristics. The charge takes days or weeks to dissipate. Cleaner processing and the

addition of a gettering layer—a layer that attracts and holds contaminants—have only alleviated the problems, says the Sperry team.

The MNS experiments showed that ionic drift was much slower in nitride than oxide. The nitride, Sperry reports, also gives better control over surface charges caused by the redistribution of bulk impurities during oxidation and from chemical reactions between the dielectric and the silicon. Nitride deposition avoids the first problem and should avoid the second, because it is very inert to chemicals.

Tombs, the chemist who developed Sperry's process, emphasizes the importance of not oxidizing the silicon.

"In the conventional technique," he explains, "the silicon oxide is grown by eating up the silicon interface."

The nitride process does not depend on reaction with the silicon surface, so the "interfacial situation" can be better controlled," Tombs concludes.

Except for this difference, planar processing with nitride and with oxide are similar. The crystal is first coated with nitride, which is etched to open up diffusion windows. The windows are closed with more nitride and the diffusants are

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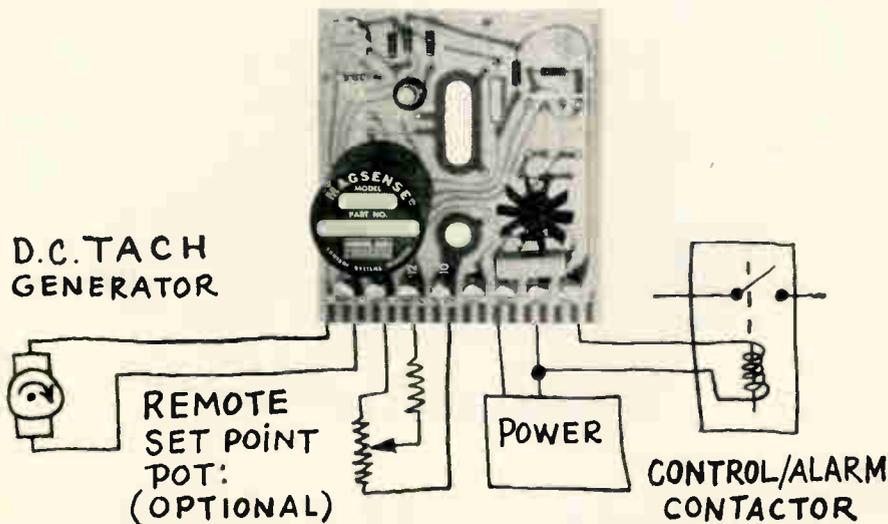
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driven into the crystal at high temperature. Then the nitride is etched again, so metal film contacts can be applied to the MNS devices.

IV. Deposit it, don't grow it

One of the significant advantages of nitride deposition, reports Sperry, is that it can be applied 10 times as fast as oxide can be grown, and at lower temperatures than the 1,000° C required for oxide growth. Therefore, junctions that were diffused before a coating step aren't likely to be rediffused, thus altering the device's junction profile and operating characteristics, during deposition. Oxidation, they claim, can cause this type of flaw.

Furthermore, Sperry adds, the nitride layers can be deposited in controlled thicknesses from angstroms to mils, while it is impossible to get oxide layers that are thicker than a few microns (a mil is 0.001 inch, a micron is 0.000039 inch and an angstrom is 0.0001 micron). The oxide layers, the research team contends, are not always thick enough for adequate isolation of the silicon devices and metallic layers or other materials deposited on the oxide. Nor can the oxide layers always prevent long-term effects due to changes in the atmosphere around the device.

Sperry is closemouthed on details of its deposition method but IBM described one of its deposition techniques last October in a series of papers that Yen V. Doo and other IBM scientists presented at the Electrochemical Society and Electron Devices meetings.

The nitride was pyrolytically deposited by IBM. That is, silane and ammonia were reacted with excess hydrogen while the substrate was heated to between 750° and 1,100° C. The hotter the substrate, the faster the deposition. At 800° C, the deposition rate is 30 angstroms a minute.

However, Doo said that layers thicker than 1 micron tended to crack, apparently because of stresses at the silicon-silicon nitride interface. IBM says it hasn't worried about that, because it is mainly interested in thinner films. Tombs, of Sperry, claims that the thermal expansion of the silicon and the nitride are so closely matched that the thickest films do not crack.



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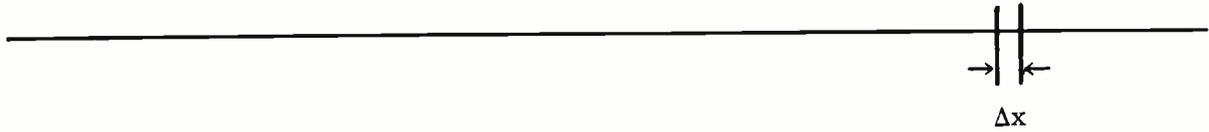
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Television ready to take forward step in Eastern European-bloc countries

Increased freedom, trade and audience demand are causing tv broadcasters in Eastern Europe to overhaul their facilities

By Joseph Roizen*

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There is new life stirring in television land in the Communist countries of Eastern Europe.

Long handicapped by old studio and transmitter equipment and limited to single-channel operation, Communist-bloc broadcasters are busy drawing up plans for new tv production centers; they are shopping for new studio equipment; and they plan to buy a number of new transmitters.

Within two or three years, they hope to introduce some second-channel operations and expand programming time. All of this requires substantial investments in equipment and an increase in technical manpower.

Several developments are behind the changes. Greater independence from Moscow is permitting television to become more national—and hence more vital. The audience is growing; it's becoming more sophisticated, and it is more demanding. Although sets cost more compared to income in Communist countries, they are, nevertheless, good, available, and can even be bought "on time." Another factor is that travel and trade between East and West Europe have made Communist-bloc broadcasters realize how antiquated their equipment is. While the lag in developmental equipment is only three to five years, its effect is considerable because of the rapid rate of new

developments in western Europe.

Where will the new equipment come from? Many of the telecasters in Eastern Europe would like to buy American equipment—especially video tape recorders—but the U. S. Department of Commerce does not permit American companies to sell them such gear.

I. Soviet recorders

To satisfy the demand for recorders, the Russians designed a video recorder, put it in production, and are offering delivery by June 1966.

In addition, the Soviets are still

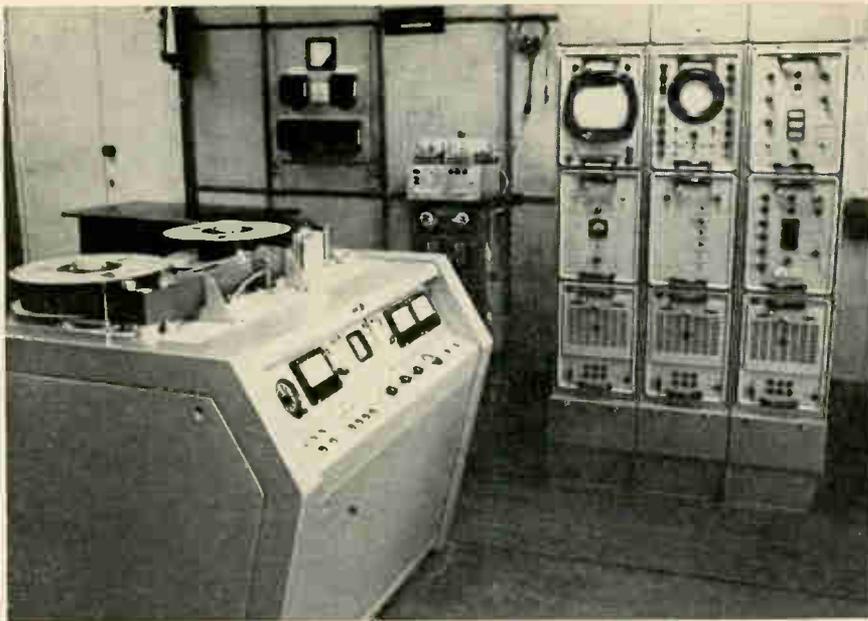
using a 50-millimeter tape recorder which came into use in 1961. Four of them are reportedly in use in Moscow, and a few in other major cities. Vladivostok used one to record tv pictures beamed recently from the Soviet communications satellite. They are compatible with Western machines.

The new one, already operating in Moscow and Leningrad, used a 70-mm-wide tape. This requires a larger head assembly. So, even though the rotational speed is the same as that of the old machine, a higher writing rate results. The



Some tv broadcast engineers in Eastern European countries are women. Here two girls monitor a broadcast in a well-equipped Polish studio.

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New Soviet video tape recorder in Leningrad studios is similar to Ampex VR-1000.

speed of the tape past the head has also been altered.

The new machine uses a heterodyne modulator operating on frequencies between 6.5 and 10 megacycles. These frequencies which resemble closely the high-band operation of the most advanced Ampex Corp. machines, were selected to provide a wider bandwidth on the Russian OIRT standard. OIRT is an Eastern European radio and television organization. The wider tape also permits three audio tracks and a control track. The drum is slotted for mechanical quadrature adjustment, although delay lines are also used for quadrature correction.

A first-hand examination of the recorder revealed that the stability of the capstan and drum servos is good and recovery from disturbances is reasonably fast—one to two seconds. The designer of the machine claims a bandwidth of 6.5 Mc with a 38- to 39-db signal-to-noise ratio. Whether the performance is actually this good or not is not known.

New components. At the time the machine was examined, in August, 1965, there was no time-base correction accessory on the machine. Experiments, it is believed, are being carried out to compensate for the accessory. Synchronizing systems had been constructed, tested, and were being installed.

There were problems with the new machines. Using a British magnetic tape, the head life was

only 50 to 70 hours. With Russian-made tape, this was further reduced to 40 hours. In addition, the tape deteriorated after only 40 passes through the machine.

II. Polish recorder

Within the bloc, competition with the Soviet machines is weak, but it is beginning. When Polish Television in Warsaw needed a recorder, it did not buy the Soviet machine, but asked its research department to build one. The objective was to get a recorder for its own use, not to go into business.

The machine the tv station turned out is a completely operational transverse-track magnetic video recorder that, when examined in August, appeared to be interchangeable with the Ampex 625-line VR-1000 series machine.

Although the quality of pictures was less than might be expected from the latest American transverse video recorders, it was fully acceptable. The nontechnical observer would probably not be aware of its small pictorial defects. The recorder was built as an experimental prototype for training technical personnel and for occasional on-the-air operation. Its bandwidth was said to be between 3 and 3.5 Mc.

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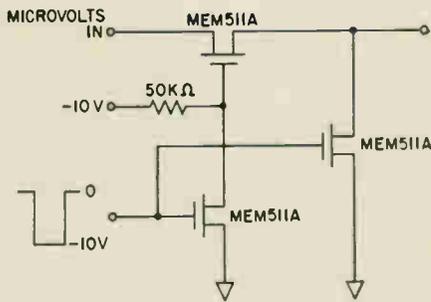
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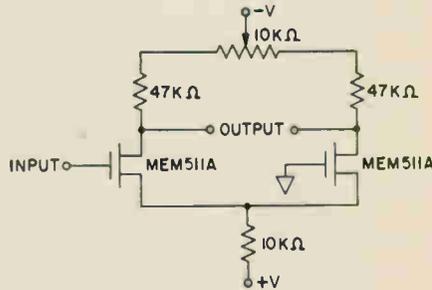
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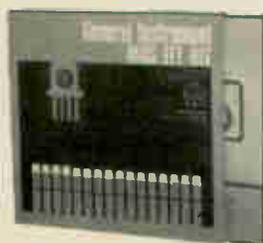
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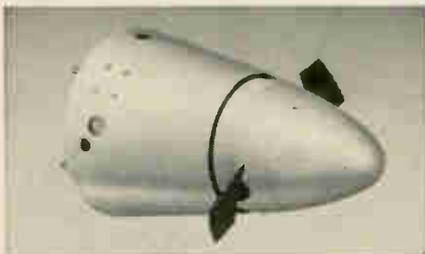
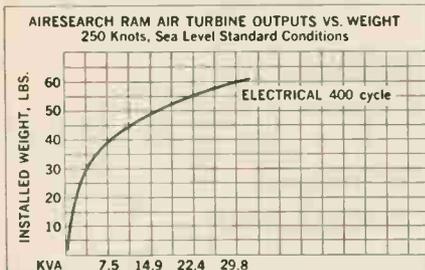
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III. East German competition

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West Berlin tv engineers have seen the machine on the air and report that it makes adequate pictures. No attempts have been made

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The East Germans are also developing another recorder, using only transistors.

While tv is improving in all East European countries, there are differences in each.

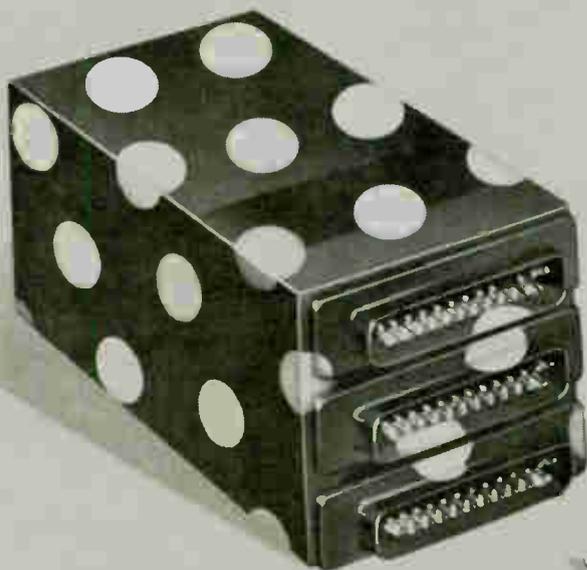
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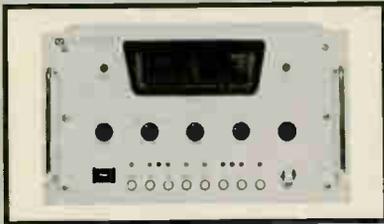
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number of tv receivers per capita is comparable to that of Paris, London and other West European capitals. Throughout the whole country there are 15 million sets and the number is growing fast.

The Soviet citizen, who does not have to pay a fee for his tv set, has a choice of three channels: two provide general programs, and one education programs. Programs on one of the general channels are transmitted by microwaves between major cities. The other two are produced locally.

In 1965, the Soviet television system produced 5,330 hours of programs, of which 67% were live and 33% film.

Broadcasters. There are, throughout the Soviet Union, 116 program centers, each equipped with live studio-production facilities, and over 80 mobile units. Coverage of the huge country is achieved with 52 high-powered transmitters and more than 300 low-power secondary transmitters linked to a vast microwave and coaxial cable network.

The studio in Moscow is in an antiquated building that is slowly being equipped with modern facilities. Leningrad has a new building with extensive monochrome and color facilities and good studios for local production.

The color equipment in Leningrad is similar to the NTSC (National Television Standards Committee) type used in the United States and Canada, and is still experimental.

Engineers in the Soviet Union do not agree on the kind of color tv that should be adopted. In Mos-

cow, they appear to favor Secam, the French system, while Leningrad engineers like NTSC.

V. Czechoslovakia

Czechoslovakia has the most extensive tv system in Eastern Europe and it continues to grow. Soon, there will be a second tv channel, making Czechoslovakia the only Eastern European Communist country outside of the Soviet Union with more than one channel.

There are now over 2 million tv receivers for the approximately 14 million inhabitants, the highest per capita density outside of a few Western countries. In use are 20 transmitters, and more than 220 repeater stations. This yields a population coverage of over 90%, rivaling any tv system in the world.

The single Czechoslovakian tv channel that operates from five tv centers around the country in Prague, Bratislava, Ostravo, Brno and Kosice has eight studios and 12 mobile units. Fixed radio relay links extending over 2,100 miles throughout the country connect the studios. Also, with mobile units and mobile relay links, direct transmission is possible from practically any spot in Czechoslovakia. Considering the mountainous terrain, this is a real achievement.

Almost all of the tv equipment used in Czechoslovakia, including receivers, is made by a local firm known as Tesla. Czechoslovakia has in operation more than 90 Tesla camera and film-camera chains. Experimental work with transistorized tv equipment has started.

The major task confronting Czechoslovakian tv is to improve

recording techniques and program production. Two new tv centers are being planned in Prague and Bratislava. Each will provide regional programming in its own language in addition to feeding the national network.

A local research center in Prague does development work on all phases of tv equipment and has even developed its own version of an NTSC color system. However, there are no immediate plans for color tv.

Prague is the switching center for Intervision, the Eastern European network, and also connects with the West European tv network, Eurovision. More than 100 transmissions with approximately 200 hours of program material were taken from the Intervision or Eurovision networks last year, while approximately 150 hours were fed into these networks from Czechoslovakian production centers.

VI. Poland

Poland also has a very highly developed tv system, with eight major tv centers containing 10 live studio production facilities and five mobile units. There are 13 tv transmitters and a comprehensive microwave and coaxial cable system which could serve 77% of the population, though only 7% of the people own sets.

Sets are locally produced in three different factories. The monthly subscription fee for the ownership of a tv set, which is paid to the post telephone and telegraph organization is 40 zloty, or \$1.

All Polish studio equipment is made in the Warsaw Television Factory, known as WZT, but many studios also use English, French, Russian and Czechoslovakian equipment.

Polish cameras. Polish technicians have, on their own, produced an excellent 4½-inch image-orthicon camera. They are planning to produce a number of these cameras for their new television center now under construction in Warsaw.

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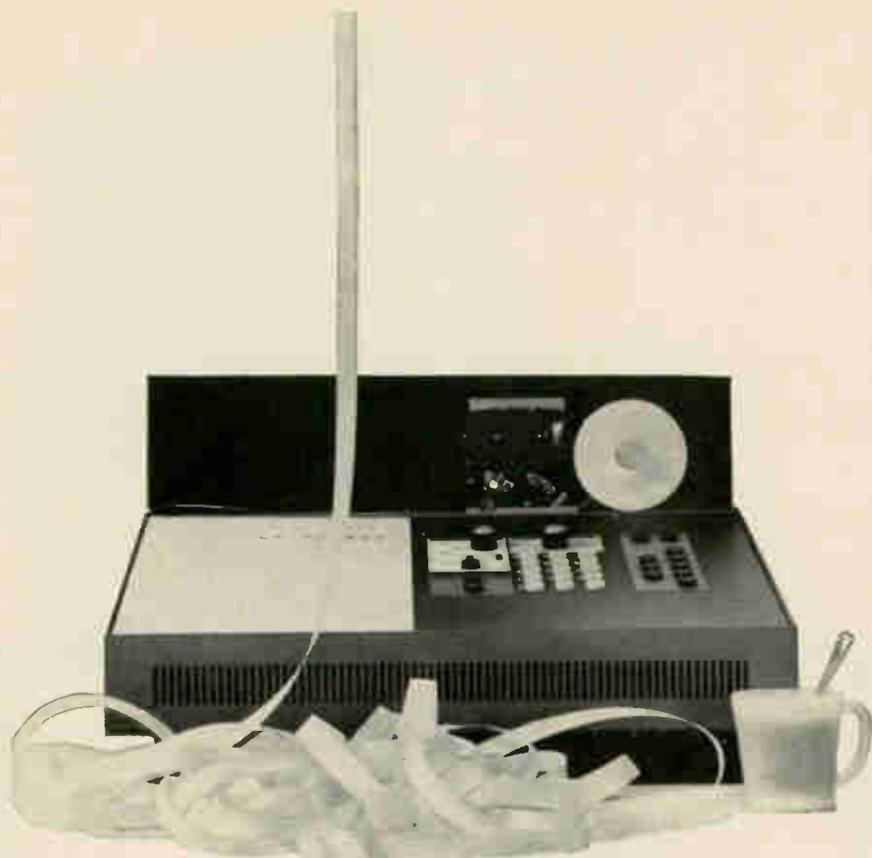


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VII. Rumania

Rumania's radio broadcasting system is extensive and modern. Housed in a new building in Bucharest, its studios and technical facilities are equipped with up-to-date distribution, switching and transmission equipment.

Television in Rumania, however, is another story. The equipment, built in the Soviet Union, is antiquated. It is housed in a small building that was not designed for tv production.

The system consists of nine transmitters, ranging in output from two to 11 kilowatts, and 18 low-power secondary transmitters. This network covers an area in which 55% of the population live. It broadcasts on one channel 28 hours a week.

About seven hours of the weekly total are live studio productions. U.S. programs on film are available to Rumania, but their high cost keeps such programs to a minimum.

There are about 400,000 receivers in the country, most of which are Hungarian; others are imported from East Germany, Czechoslovakia, Poland and Japan.

Microwave. Rumania has five vans. The newest is for mobile tv operations. All vans transmit to the studios by microwave relay. Microwave is also used to distribute programs throughout the country.

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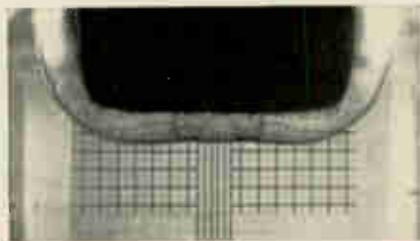
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- 535 Brit. P. 961,441. Improvements in Optical Image Transmission Devices. J. N. Whyte. To Secretary of State for the War Department, London, 7/12/60-6/24/64. — Streak cameras; Rotating-prism cameras.

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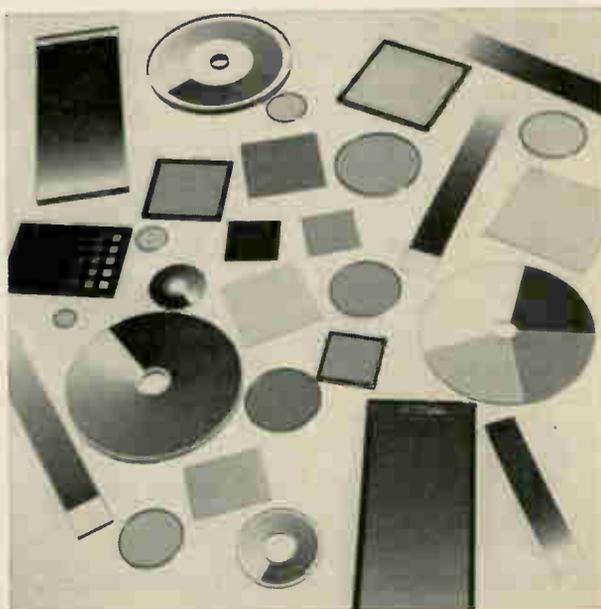
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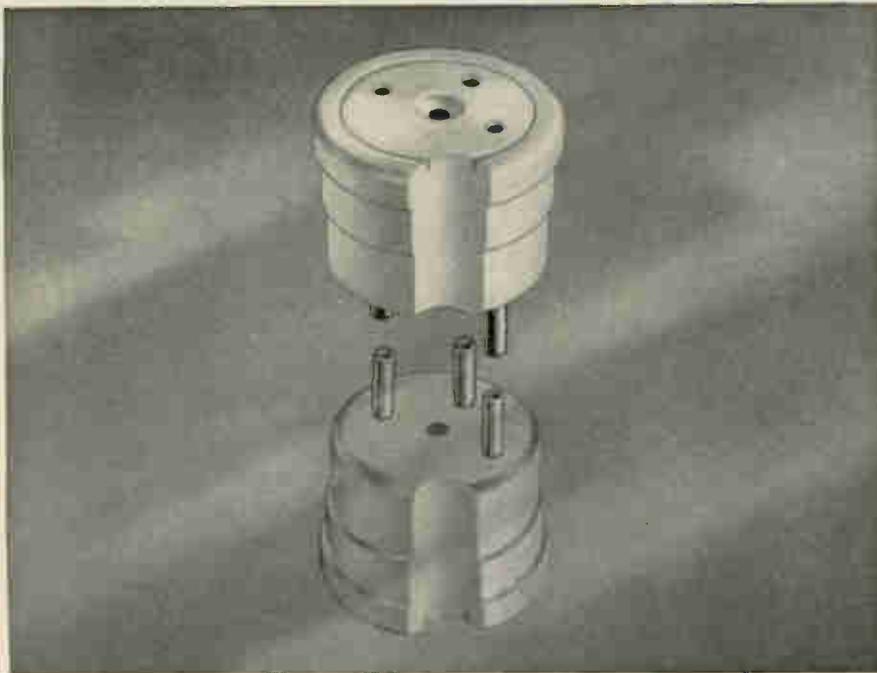
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To meet the increasing need for tv facilities, the Tv Planning Bureau has a comprehensive schedule up to 1970. A new center is under construction in Bucharest that will be completed and equipped by 1966. The basic equipment will be bought with an eye toward color compatibility, although no decision on the color system to be used has been made. Color and a second tv channel will not be considered before 1970.

VIII. Hungary

The studio center in Budapest is in an old government office building. It has three studios and a few mobile units that can be connected directly or by microwave to the center. While its 10 transmitters can reach more than 80% of the population, service is still limited to single channel operation for five days a week. There are approximately 700,000 sets in the country, mostly Hungarian. Border residents in the country can pick up direct transmissions from Czechoslovakia, Austria, Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union. Home tv receivers are licensed by the state and a monthly fee of 50 forints (about \$1) is charged.

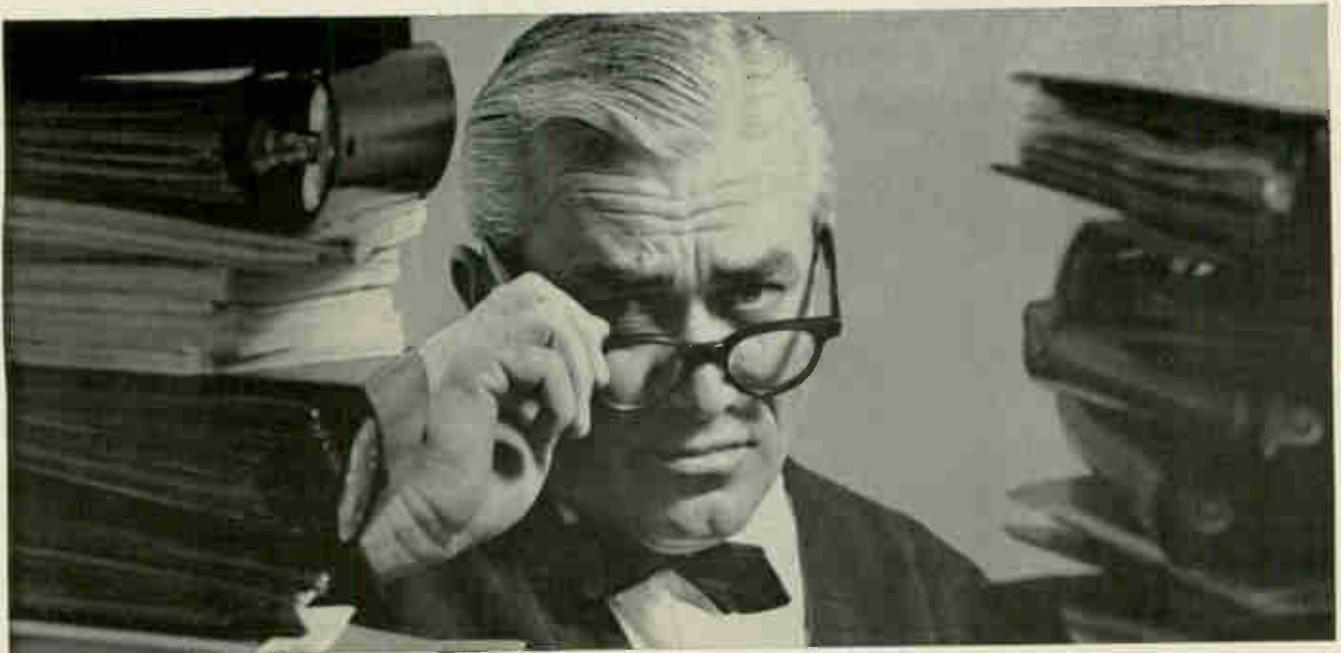
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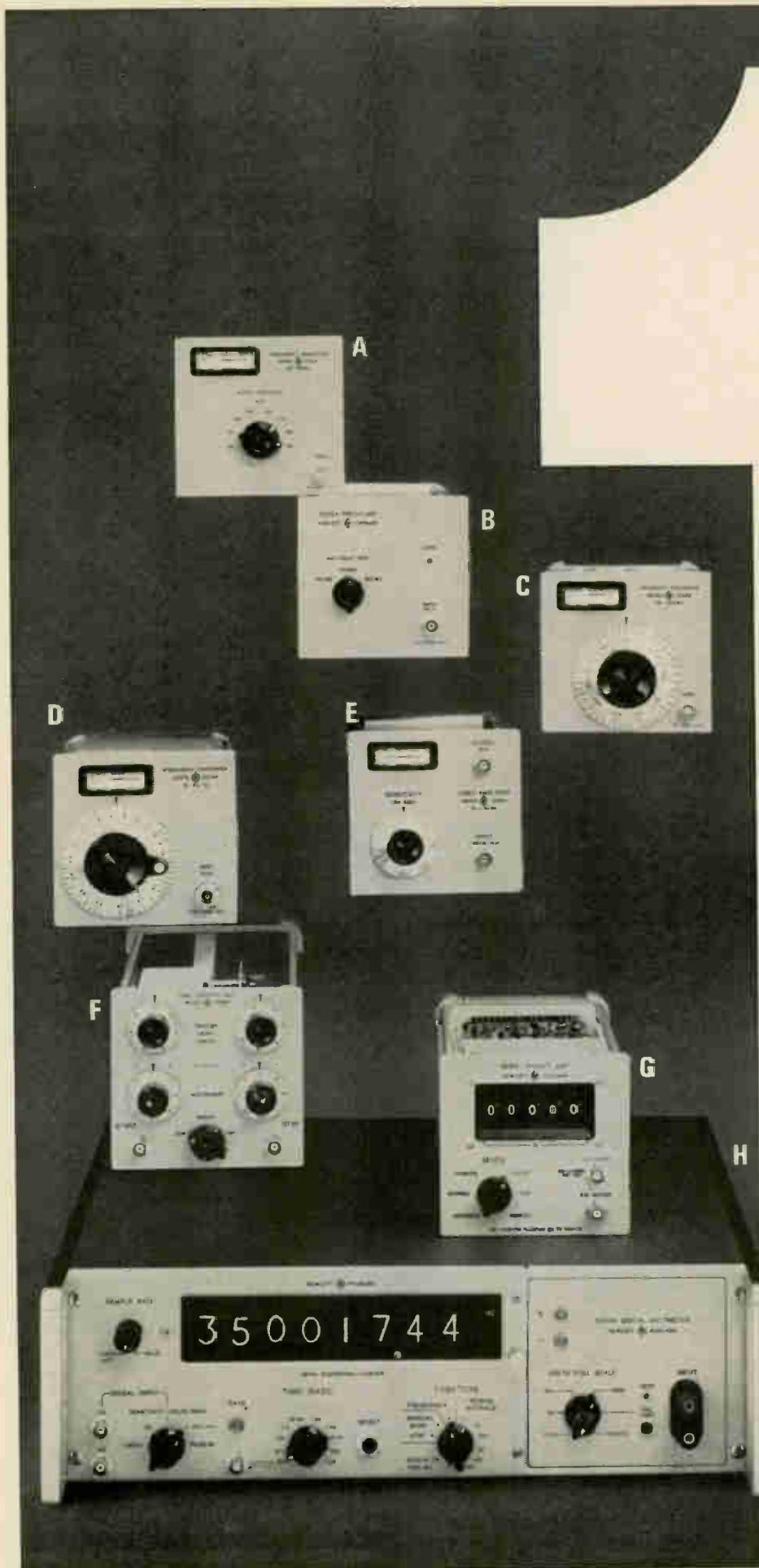
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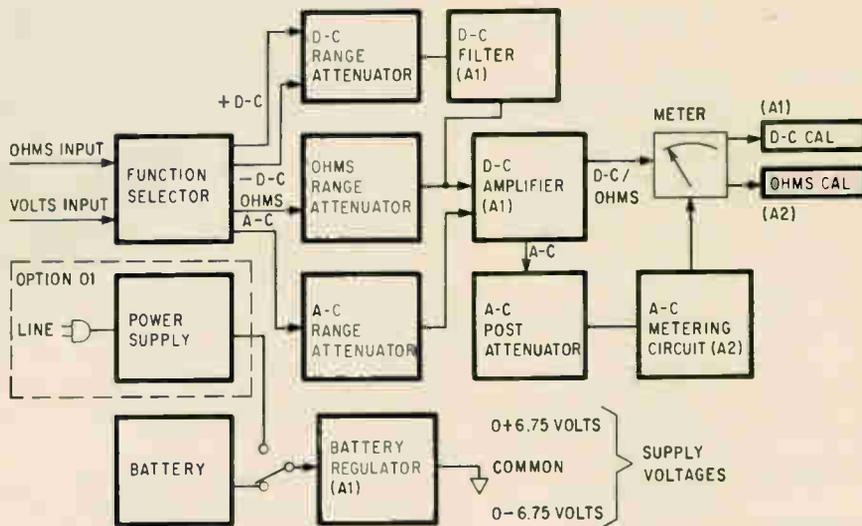
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Solid state instrument has a stable, direct-coupled, chopperless amplifier with three silicon transistors and one field effect transistor

Laboratory-quality performance in the field at low cost is a goal of all instrument designers. The Hewlett-Packard Co. has taken a long step in that direction with the introduction of its multifunction voltmeter, model 427A. This solid state instrument has a resolution of one millivolt in measurement of both negative and positive d-c voltages from 100 mv full scale to 1,000 v full scale; it will measure a-c voltage from 10 mv full scale to 300 v full scale with a minimum reading of 0.3 mv. It measures resistance from 10 ohms center scale to 10 megohms center scale with a minimum reading of 0.2 ohm. Temperature drift on d-c measurements is only 0.5 mv per ° C. The price is \$195.

The secret of its low-cost performance is the design of a stable, direct-coupled amplifier without a chopper. In most d-c voltmeters, sensitivity at the 100-mv level with good stability is achieved either with expensive chopper stabilization or by using large amounts of feedback. The latter requires expensive hybrid circuits and related power supplies.

The d-c amplifier in the model



Circuit arrangement of the multifunction voltmeter.

427A is solid state, direct coupled, and temperature stabilized, yet uses only three silicon transistors and one field effect transistor. The FET temperature coefficient is exploited to counter the silicon transistor's temperature characteristics, reducing the amount of feedback required and thus cutting the number and cost of other components. Also, the FET eliminates the need for vacuum tubes to achieve high input resistance, again decreasing the power supply.

In combination, this design results in a stable circuit with the required gain from fewer, less critical and less costly components.

The 427A has instant turn-on in all modes of operation. A front panel zero set is provided, which is suppressed on the ranges above one volt.

The meter movement is the taut band type with an individually calibrated meter face. Accuracy of voltage measurement is ±2%. Re-

sistance measurements are accurate to within +5%.

Power can be supplied from an internal 22.5 v battery, or from an optional line operation. Battery life is about 300 hours.

Specifications

D-c voltage ranges	±100 mv to ±1,000 v full scale in 9 ranges
Accuracy	±2% of full scale
Input resistance	10 megohms on all ranges
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Frequency range	10 cps to 1 Mc
Accuracy	±2%
Input impedance	10 megohms shunted by 40 pf on 10-mv to 1-v ranges and 20 pf on 3-v to 300-v ranges
Ohmmeter ranges	From 10 ohms center scale to 10 megohms center scale
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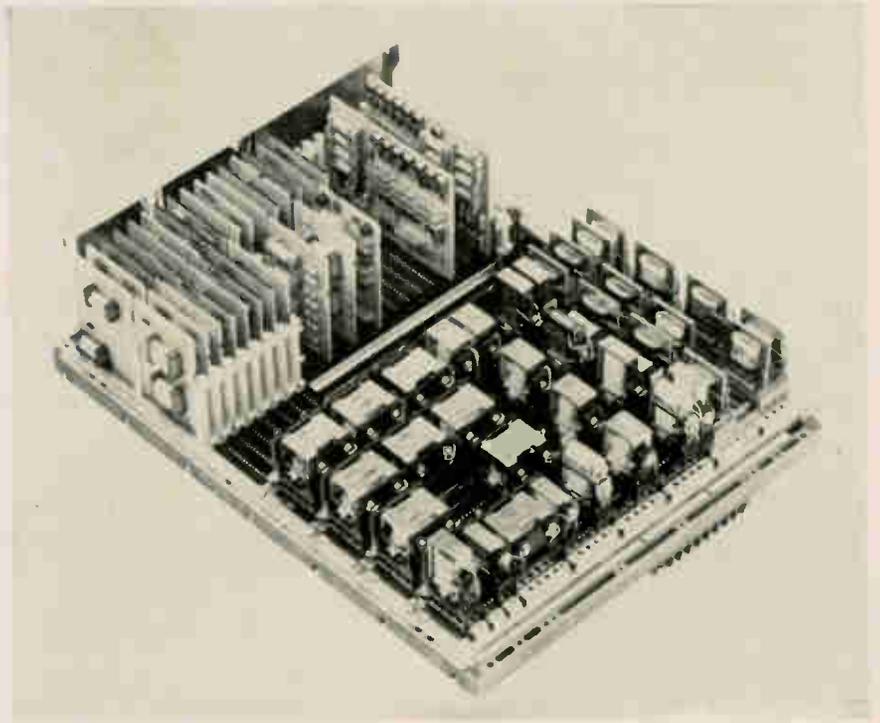
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IBM markets modular packages



A complete line of hardware that can be used for packaging electronic circuits, subsystems and systems is being offered by the International Business Machines Corp. The line, called SMS for standard modular systems, has been used by IBM in over 15,000 computer installations since 1959.

Why is IBM concentrating on this market? With the advent of the System 360, the firm has adapted a smaller packaging technique, basically incompatible with SMS. But IBM believes that the versatility and flexibility of the packaging technique will meet the requirements of designers of data processing, testing, controlling and telemetry systems.

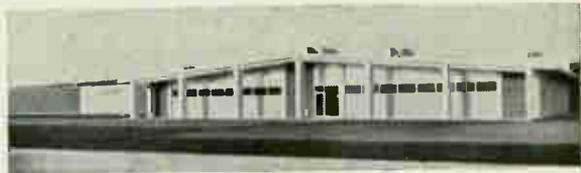
SMS includes rectangular mounting frames in two sizes, individual and multiple sockets that fit in the frames, printed-circuit card blanks and cable connectors that fit the sockets, sockets and connectors for wire-contact, permissive-make, or reed relays, back-panel wiring cards, ground planes and voltage chains. The voltage chains supply voltages to entire rows of sockets. A cooling fan and plenum assem-

bly is available for attachment to the smaller of the two rectangular mounting frames.

The printed-circuit paper-epoxy cards used by IBM have had wiring printed on one side and transistors and other discrete components mounted on the other. In some cases printed wiring has been used on both sides. Presumably hybrid or integrated circuits could also be used on the cards except where specific electrical and mechanical characteristics of the card—dimensional stability for instance—are unfavorable. Printed-circuit wiring is brought out to a row of contacts along one edge of the card; these contacts mate with prongs inside the socket when the card is plugged in. The prongs extend through the back of the socket as pins. Wires may be attached to the pins either by soldering or by wire-wrapping.

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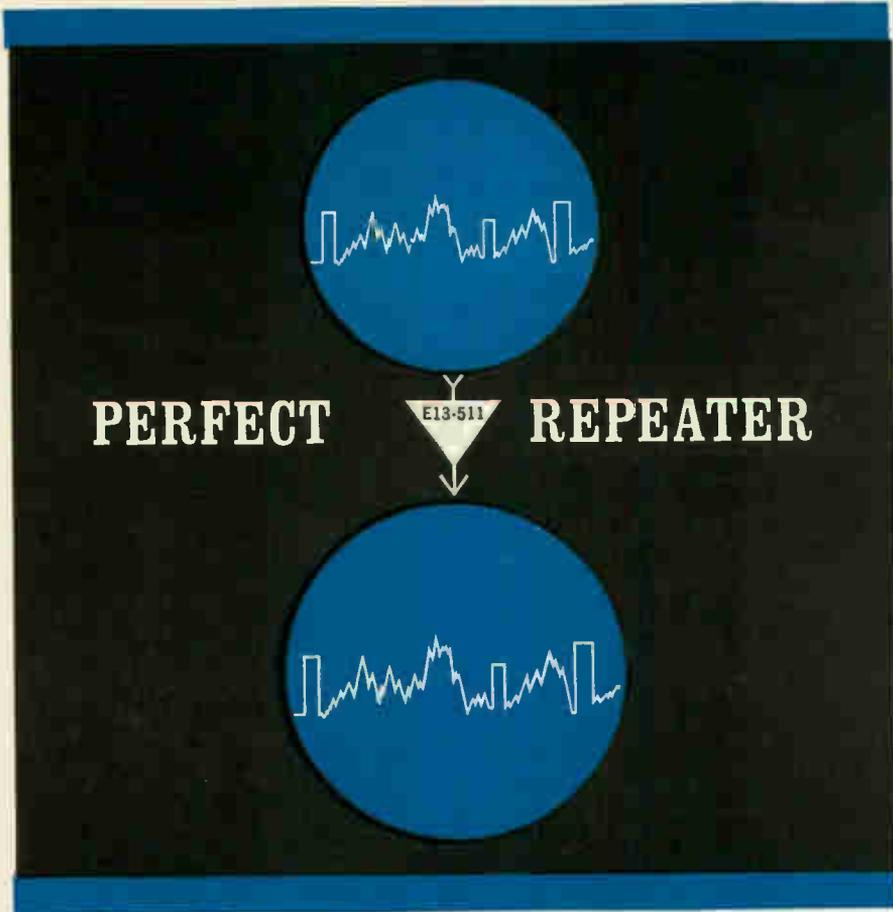
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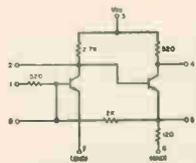
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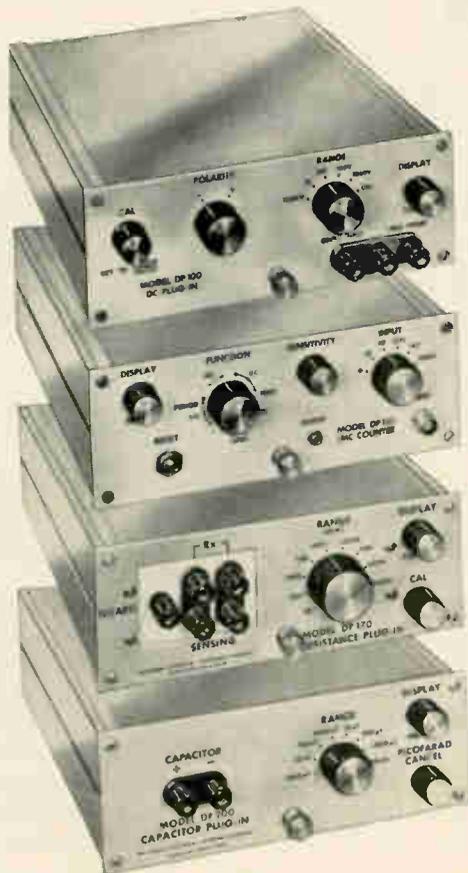
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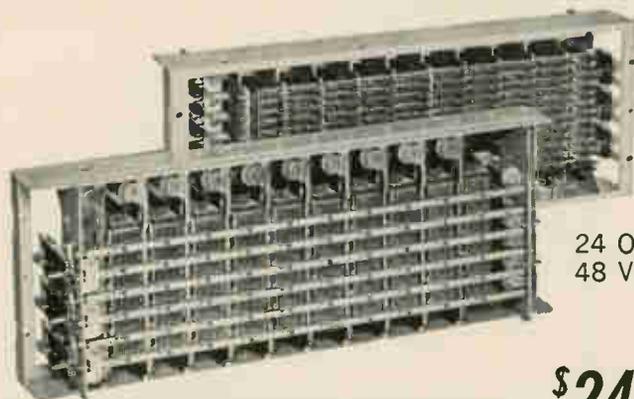
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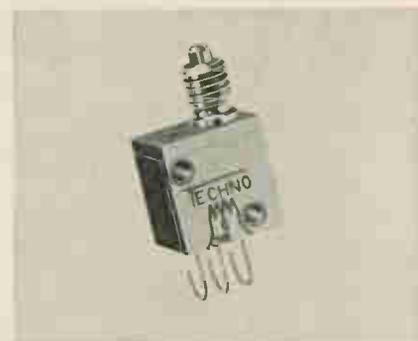
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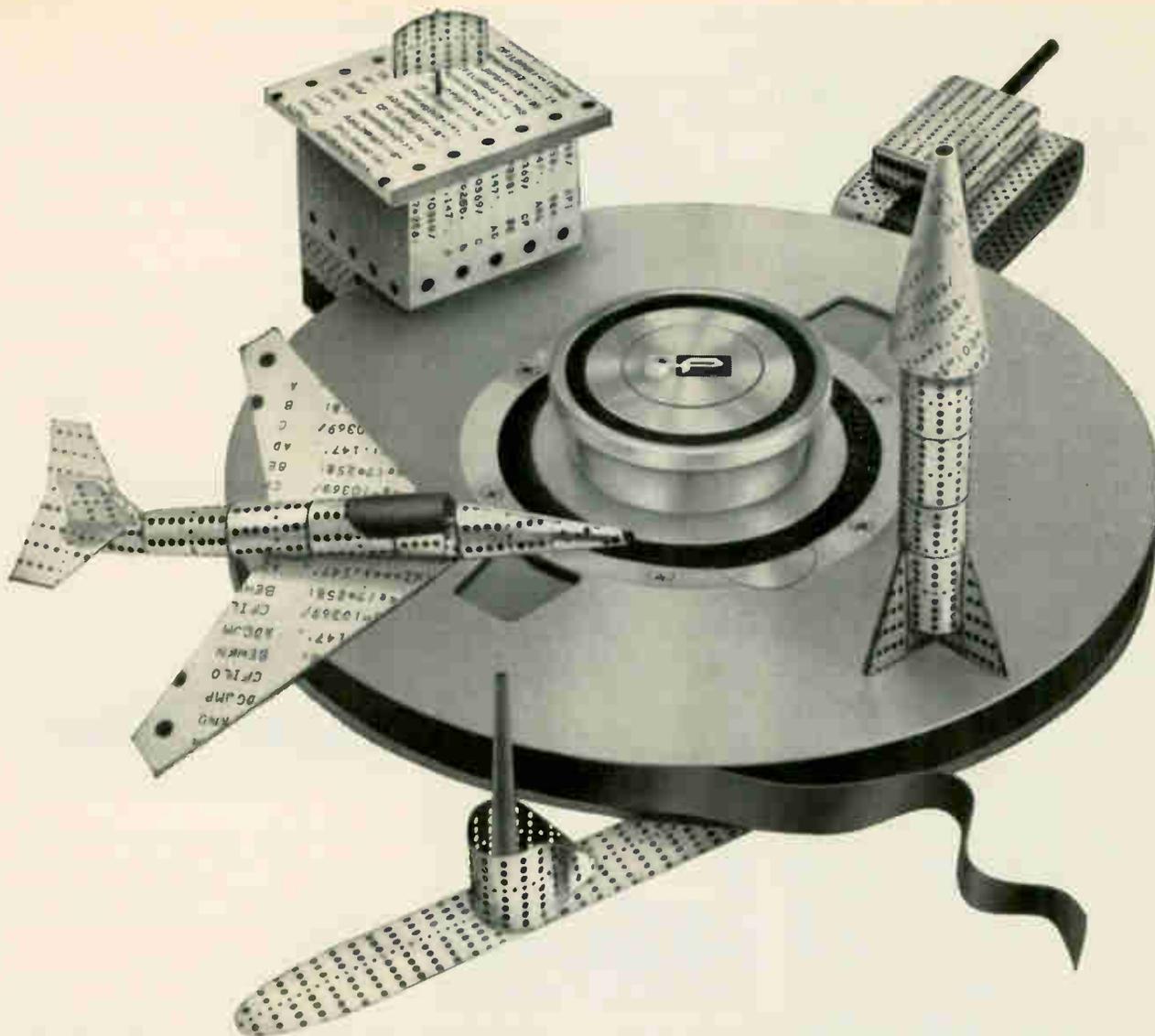
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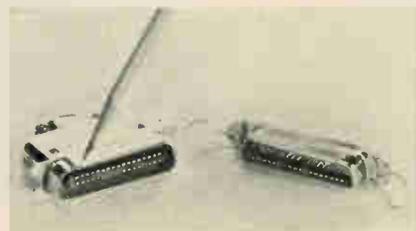
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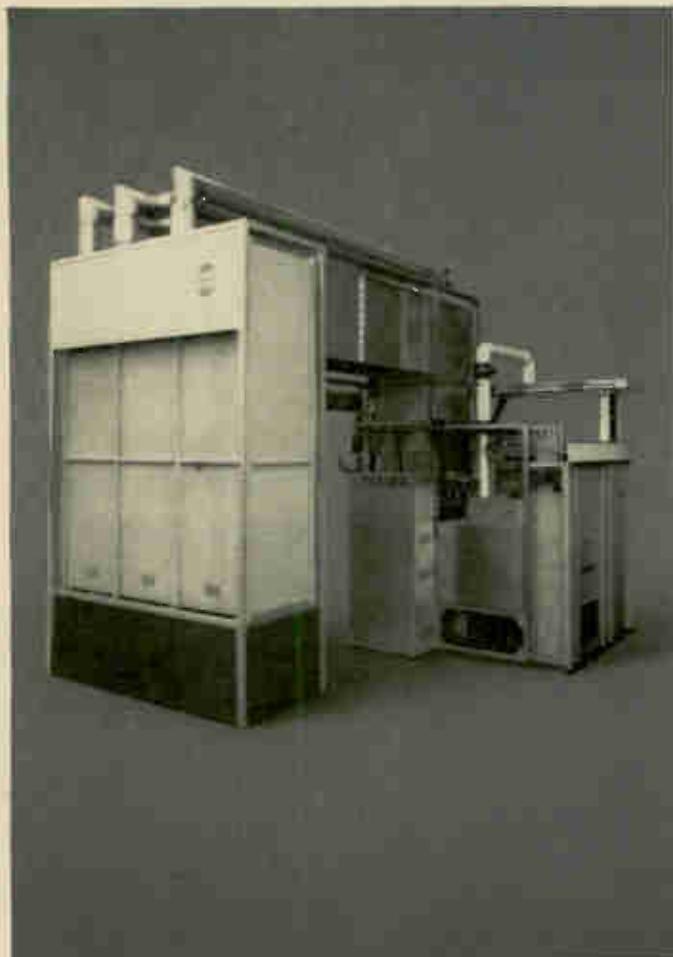
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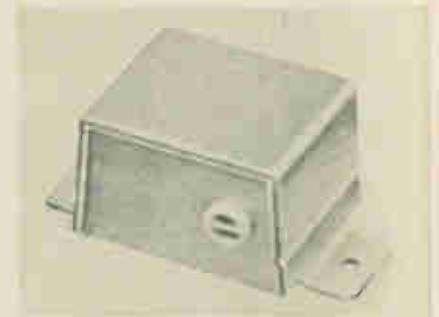
SPECIFICATIONS		
(Model No. indicates characteristic impedance)		
4H-50	8H-50	2-32 Mc
4H-75	8H-75	2-32 Mc
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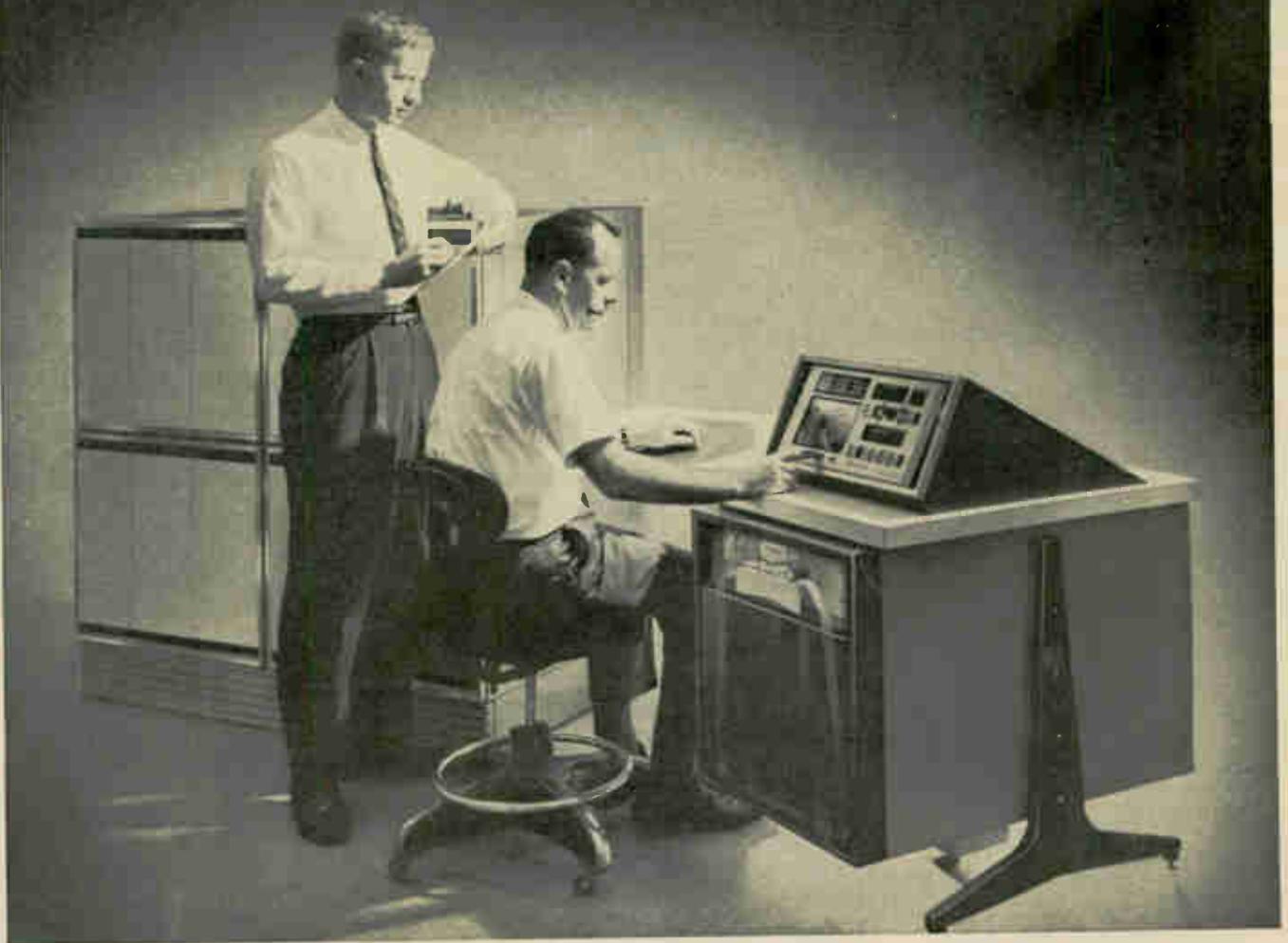
This a-c relay provides the function of the electromechanical type yet offers solid-state reliability, noiseless operation, fast switching, extremely long life, and a low-power sensitive control circuit. It eliminates contact contamination and contact welding problems.

The solid-state relay has a control circuit and contact circuit similar to any standard relay. It can be used to switch resistive loads, inductive loads, and tungsten lamp loads. Present models available are single-pole normally-open. Contact ratings are 5 to 15 amps inductive or resistive at 120, 240 or 440 v at 60 cycles. Control circuit ratings are 24, 120 or 240 v a-c.

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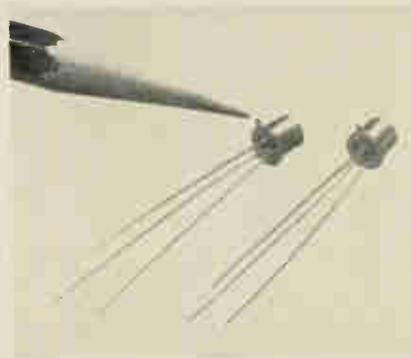
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New Semiconductors

IC simulates four-layer diode



Inexpensive monolithic integrated circuits that do the job usually done by four-layer diodes have been developed by the General Electric Co. The devices have lower breakover voltages than most diodes, and are temperature-stabilized.

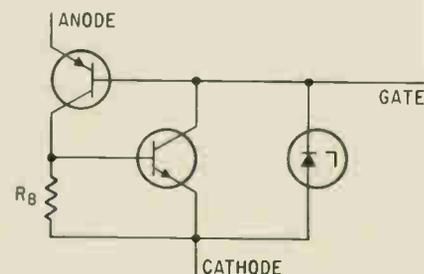
Most conventional four-layer diodes—p-n-p-n devices—do not conduct until the voltage across terminals is at least 20 volts. Furthermore, this breakover voltage, though fairly stable in the center of the operating temperature range, varies widely at extreme temperatures. The new IC's not only conduct at 8 volts, but the temperature coefficient of this breakover voltage is only 0.01% per degree centigrade over the range of -65° to 100° . That means the maximum variation in breakover voltage is less than 0.2 volt over the range.

The low breakover voltage of the new IC's permits operation in low-voltage transistor circuits. And their low temperature coefficient allows stable solid state switching for maintaining the frequency stability of relaxation types of circuits, such as monostable multivibrators, and for accurately controlling the power supplied by phase-controlled thyristor circuits, such as light dimmers. The IC's may be used in many other switching applications that previously used four-layer diodes or in circuits that require the latching feature of these devices.

The new IC's come in two models: one allows only unidirectional

current flow and is designated as a silicon unilateral switch (SUS); the other, called a silicon bilateral switch (SBS), can break over in either direction, providing bidirectional current flow. When either device is conducting, the voltage drop across its terminals is less than 1.4 volts at 200 ma.

The circuit of the basic unidirectional device, the SUS, is shown below; it consists of two complementary transistors, a resistor, and an 8-volt zener diode, all fabricated on a single chip. Except for the zener diode, the circuit is the simple two-transistor analog of a conventional p-n-p-n device such as the thyristor. The zener diode gives it the characteristics of a



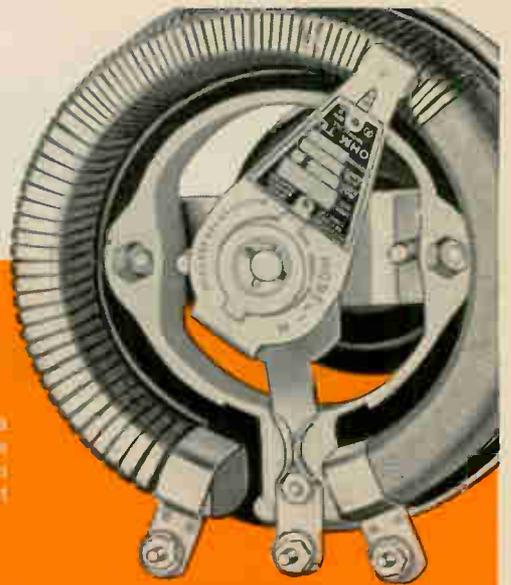
The silicon unilateral switch, developed by the General Electric Co., has a lower breakover voltage than most diodes.

four-layer diode. The anode and cathode terminals correspond to the terminals of a diode. A switching current of less than 500 microamperes is required from the external circuit if the gate is not used. The holding current—the minimum current at which the circuit will remain in conduction—is about 250 microamperes. (Holding currents of four-layer diodes are generally in excess of 1 milliampere.) If the gate is biased to supply some current to the zener, the switching current may be reduced.

The bilateral SBS switch is produced by combining two similar SUS circuits on the same chip. The SBS will conduct when the anode-to-cathode voltage is ± 8

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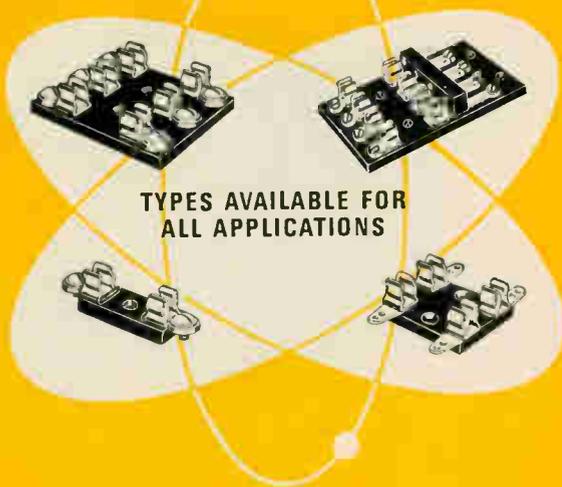
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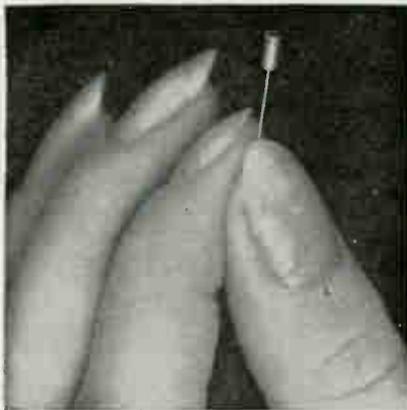
Development models of the SUS and SBS are available in hermetically sealed TO-18 packages.

Specifications

Type number	
Undirectional (SUS)	D13D1
Bidirectional (SBS)	D13E1
Breakover voltages	
SUS	+8 volts
SBS	±8 volts
Temperature coefficient of breakover voltage	0.01% per degree centigrade
Operating temperature	-65°C to 100°C
dv/dt rating	>50 volts/microsecond
Switching speed	0.5 μsec.
Turn-off time	2 μsec.
Recovery time	25 μsec.
Switching current	<500 μa
Holding current	250 μa

General Electric Co., Schenectady, N.Y. [361]

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A miniature photosensor has been developed for use in tape and card readers, optically coupled circuits, encoder-decoders, character-recognition devices and process-control applications. The silicon device features planar passivation for long-term stability.

The FPM-100 phototransistor has a special response extending from 0.4 to 1.1 microns and features a maximum power dissipation of 75 mw at 25°C.

Collector current rises from a maximum dark value of 0.1 μa to typical values in the range 1.5 to 2.5 ma upon illumination. Typical rise time is 3 microseconds.

The FPM-100 is packaged in a hermetically sealed cylinder with a diameter of 0.08 in. and a length of 0.18 in., and "reads" at the top end of the cylinder through a flat polished window.

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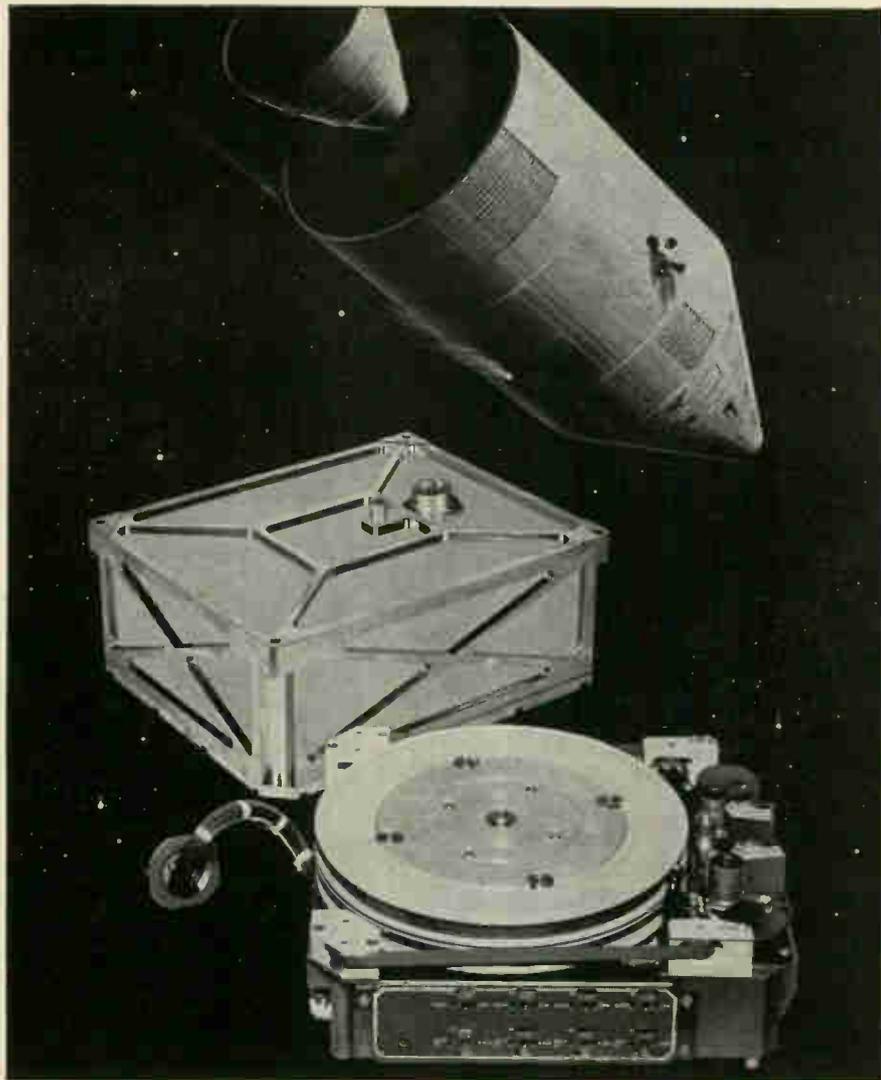
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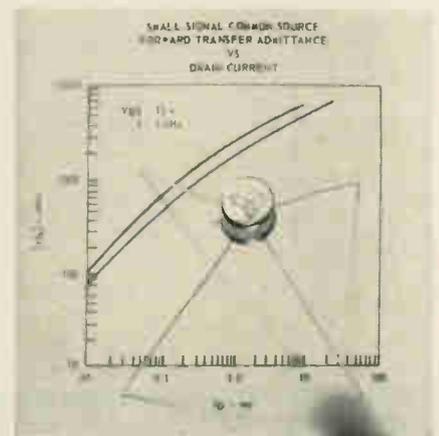
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Price of the FPM-100 is \$8.50 for 1 to 99; \$7.25 for 100 to 999; \$5.50 for 1,000 to 4,999.

Fairchild Semiconductor, a division of Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp., 313 Fairchild Dr., Mountain View, Calif. [362]

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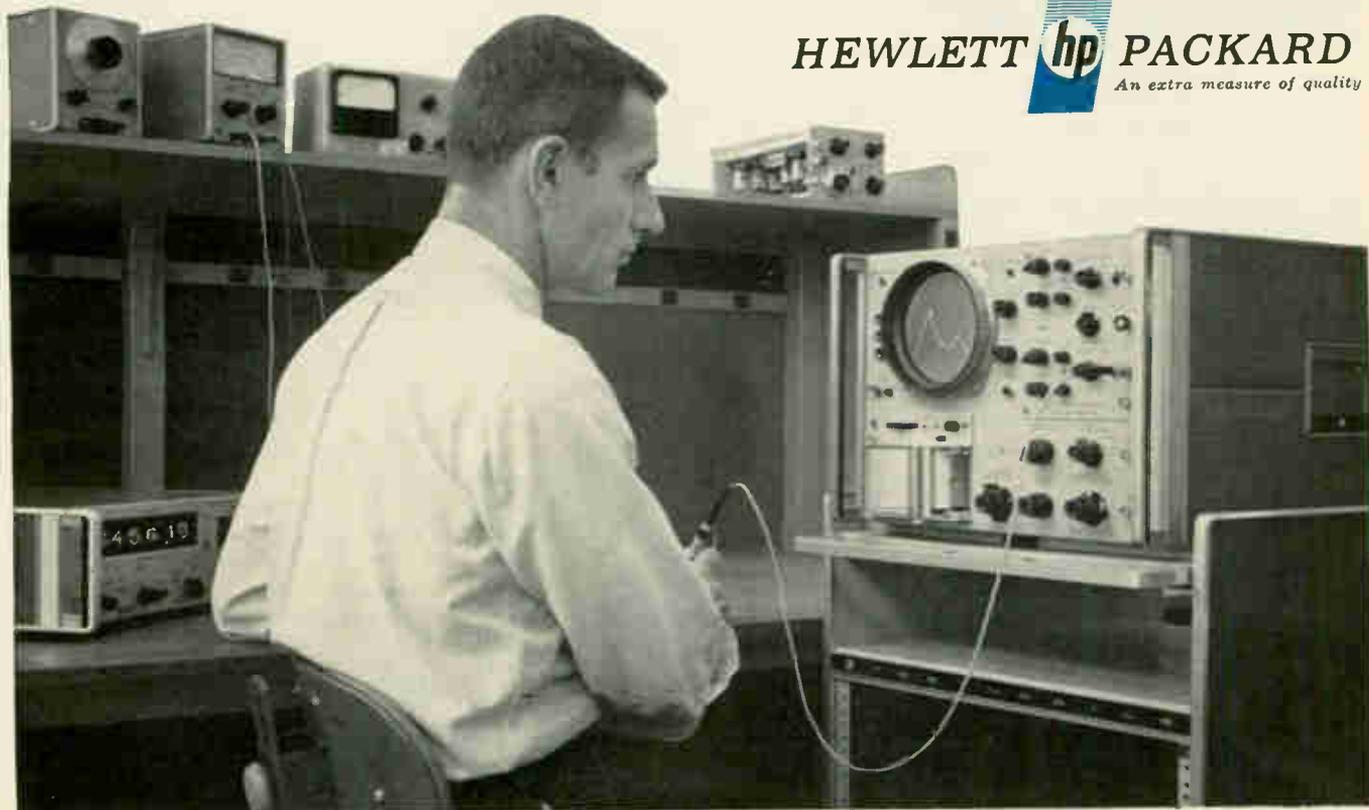
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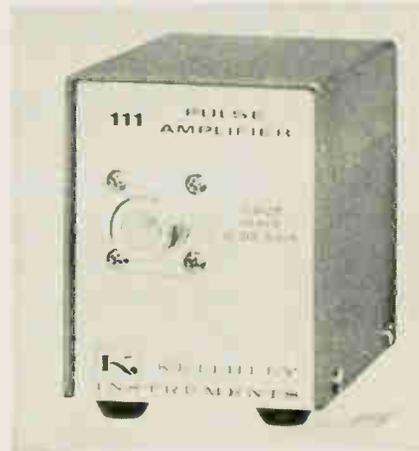
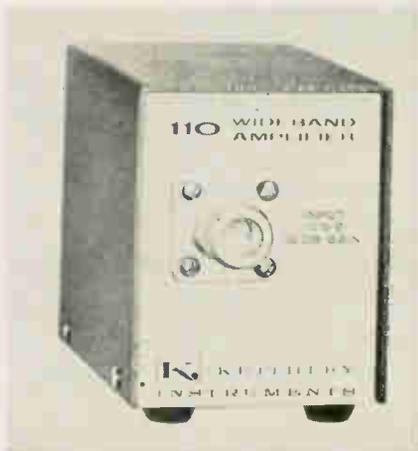
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New Instruments

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A pair of unity-gain amplifiers, introduced by Keithley Instruments, Inc., provides impedance-matching functions in a variety of instrumentation systems. Designed with an input impedance of 10 megohms and an output impedance of 50 ohms, the Models 110 and 111 are particularly useful in amplifying signals from high-impedance sources such as multiplier phototubes. Properly terminated at the input, they can drive up to 100 feet of coaxial cable with no signal loss. This means the amplifiers may be located at the signal source, while the rest of the instrumentation system may be installed remotely.

Both amplifiers can provide input protection for sampling oscilloscopes because they can withstand overloads of 300 volts peak to peak and 600 volts d-c. Other applications include mass spectrometers, high-speed counters, thermopiles and infrared detectors.

Model 110 is primarily designed to provide constant gain for sinusoidal signals over a wide bandwidth. The amplifier has a frequency response that is flat to within ± 0.5 decibel from 1 kilocycle to 150 Mc. The model 111 is used when faithful waveform reproduction is the main consideration. This model has a rise time of 3 nanoseconds with less than 3% overshoot. Both amplifiers have 10 megohm input impedances shunted by 12 picofarads.

A field effect transistor in the first stage of both amplifiers provides the high input impedance. Two cascaded transistor stages make up the voltage losses in the first stage. Both amplifiers are of conventional RC-coupled cascaded design and have negative feedback. No inductive peaking is used. Wide bandwidth is achieved with selected epitaxial mesa transistors that have a one-gigacycle cutoff frequency.

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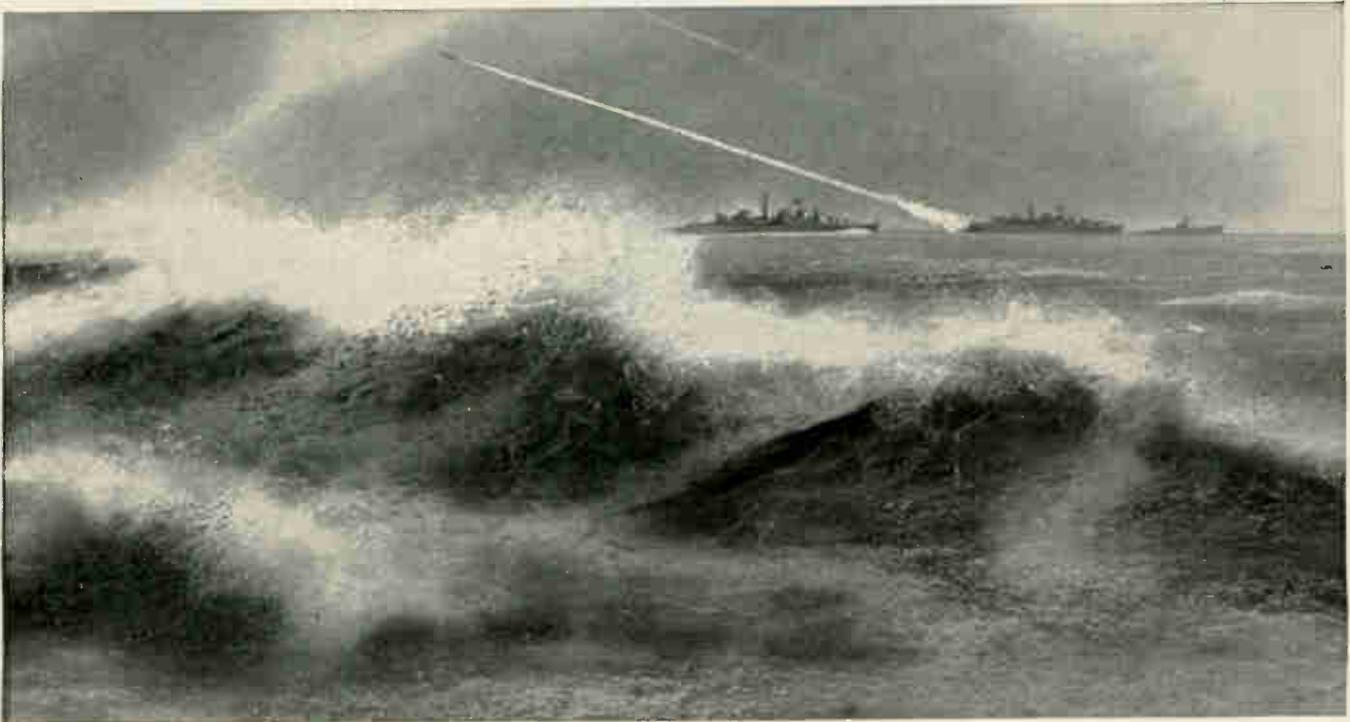
Specifications

	Model 110	Model 111
Frequency response (-3 db)	500 cps and 180 Mc	
(+0.5 db) Pulse width for 10% droop	1 kc to 150 Mc	40 micro-seconds
Voltage gain	1 (0 db) $\pm 2\%$ at 10 kc	1 (0 db) $\pm 2\%$ at 10 kc
Maximum output (into 50 ohm load)	700 mv peak to peak	700 mv peak to peak
Maximum RMS noise (50-ohm load)	75 μ v (12 db)	75 μ v (12 db)
Overload recovery time	Less than 50 ns	Less than 50 ns
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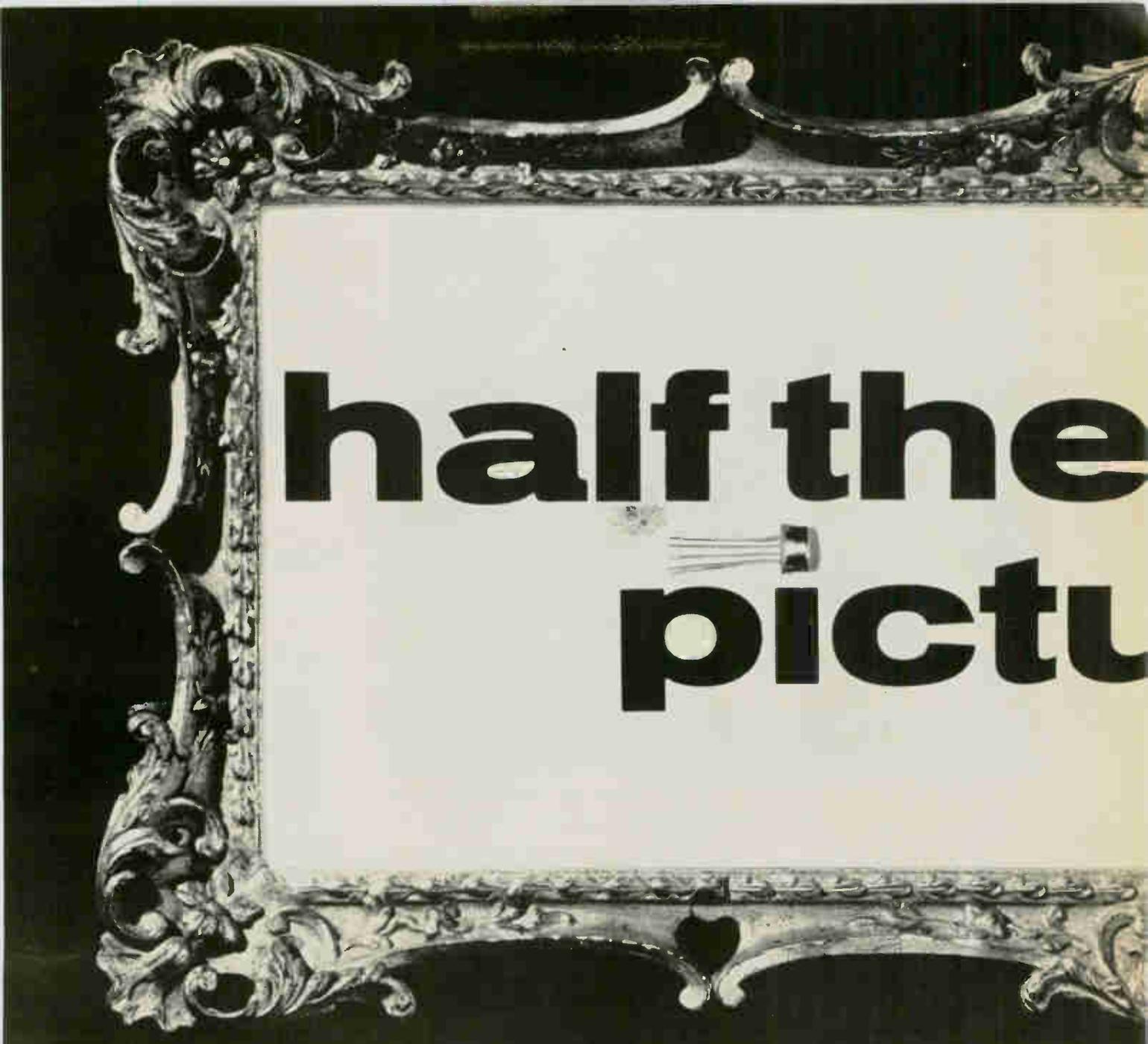


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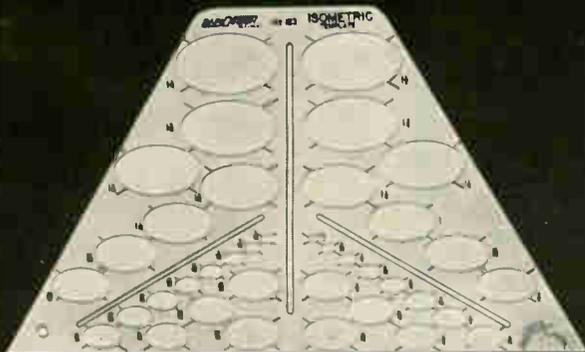
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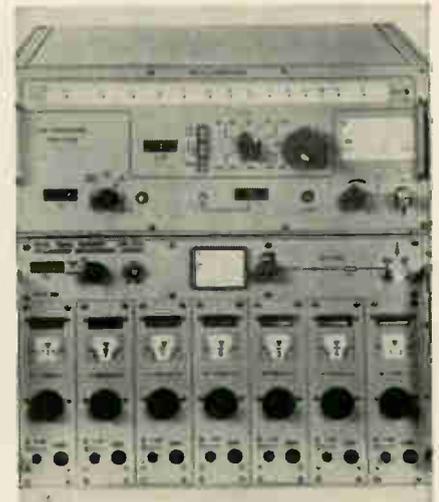
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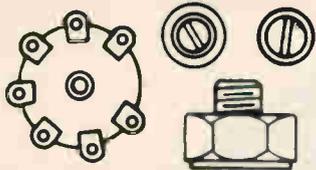
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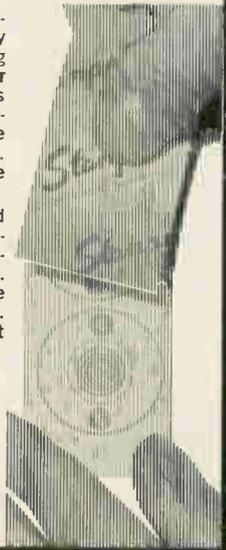
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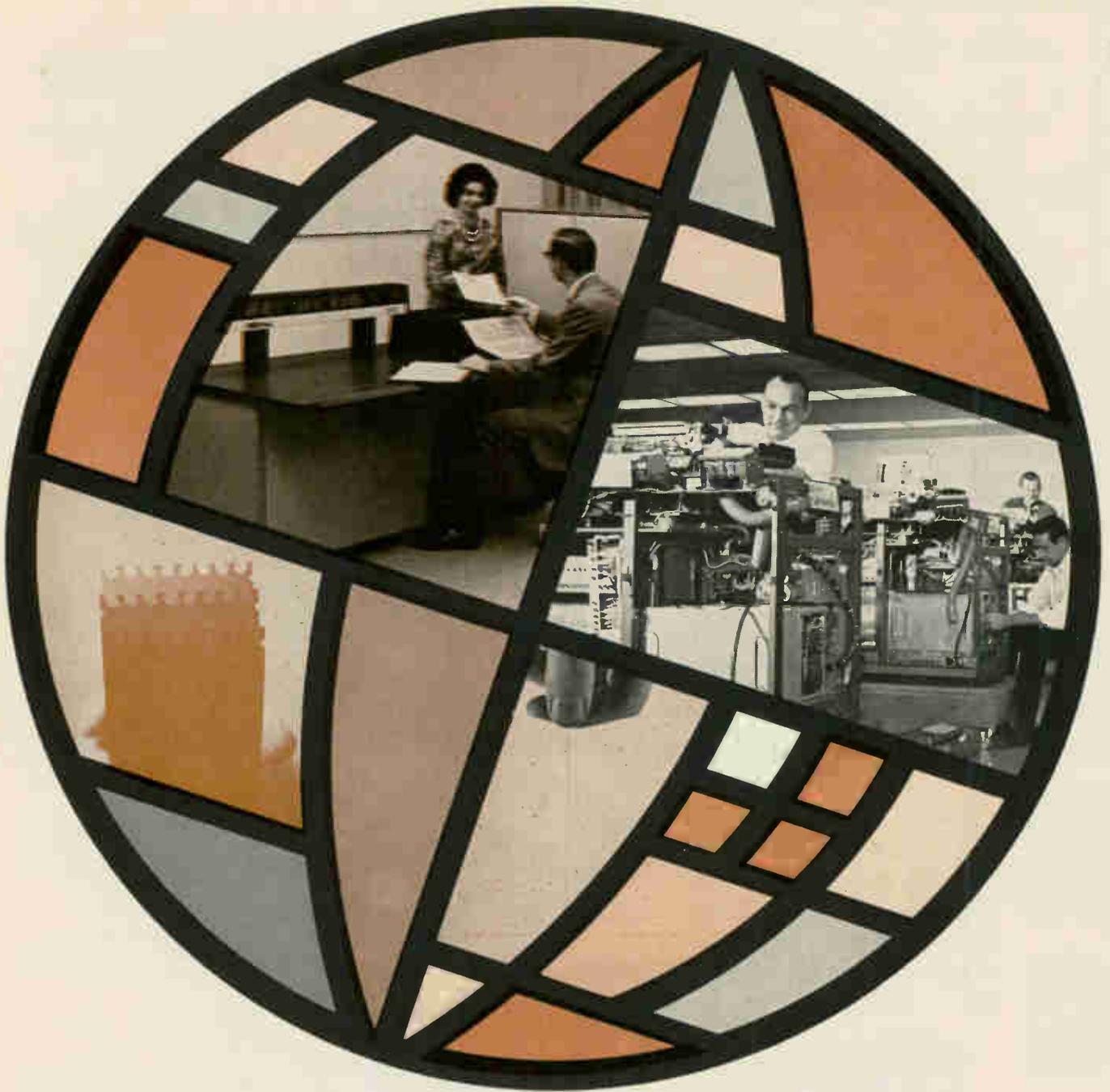
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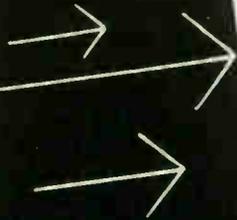
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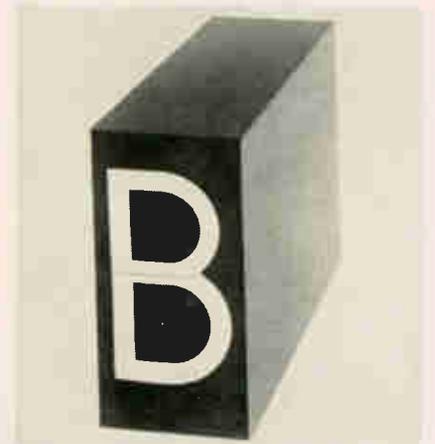
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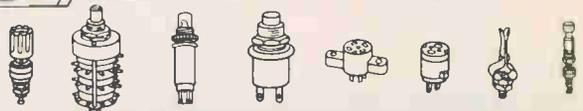
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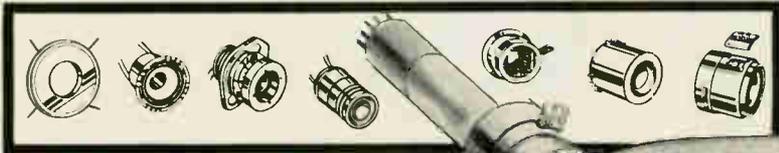
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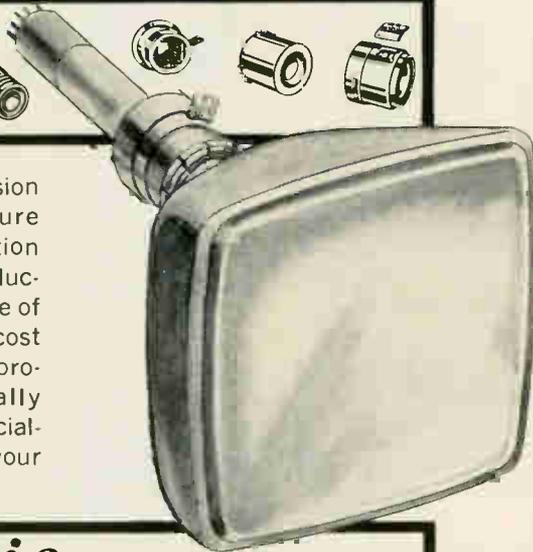
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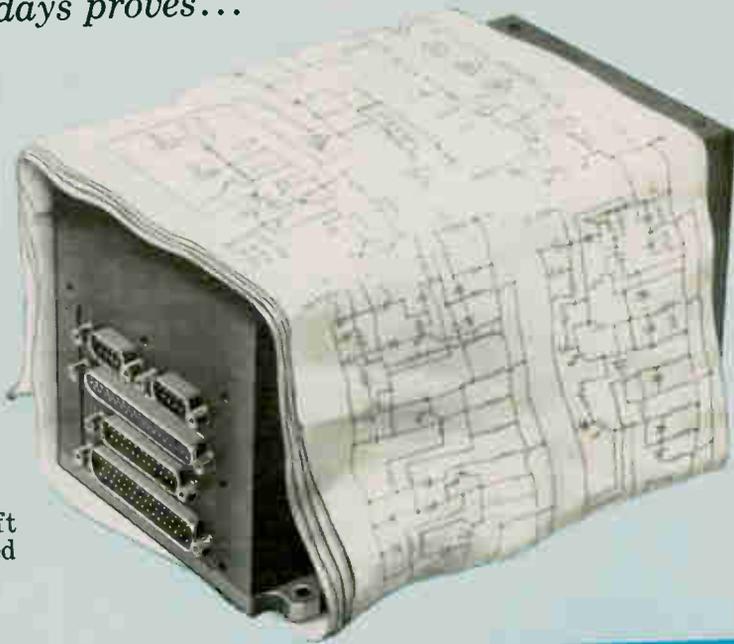
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Now a new magnetic material, called Alnico V-7, has enabled engineers at the Watkins-Johnson Co. to cut both size and weight of a backward-wave oscillator. The redesigned magnet is only one-eighth its former weight and half the size. Other tube elements, such as the gun and collector were also reduced in size. Helix length remained the same.

According to the company, these reductions resulted in the smallest and lightest bwo ever built. Designated WJ-2004, it measures 2 x 2 x 6 inches and weighs less than three pounds.

Other methods of electron-beam focusing such as electrostatic focusing could possibly yield yet a smaller and lighter bwo, but they haven't been successfully implemented outside the laboratory.

The WJ-2004 housing is a double layer of steel shielding to minimize magnetic flux leakage. At the sur-

face of the tube, the flux is about 75 gauss; it reduces to half that value at one inch.

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Anode voltage	150 volts
Cathode current	6 milliamperes
Output connector	Type TNC

Watkins-Johnson Co., 3333 Hillview Avenue, Palo Alto, Calif. 94304. [391]

Miniature, portable microwave receiver

A miniature microwave receiver, model CMR-312A, which weighs only 4.3 oz and measures 2¼ x 2¼ x 1¼ in., is expected to have applications in monitoring pulsed or a-m modulated r-f signals. It has a wide dynamic range of input power without blocking. Output

signal is a tone that provides the operator with an audible indication of signal activity in the 2- to 12-Gc range.

The solid-state receiver incorporates a high-gain, printed-circuit Archimedes Spiral antenna, and is powered by two small mercury button-type batteries that provide 30 hours of operation. A simple on-off switch places the unit in operation, and an adjustable gain control is available as optional equipment. The unit's "poly-mount" receiver case is designed to provide a variety of mechanical mounting arrangements.

American Electronic Laboratories, Inc.,
P.O. Box 552, Lansdale, Pa. [392]

B-w oscillator spans 10 to 15.5 Gc

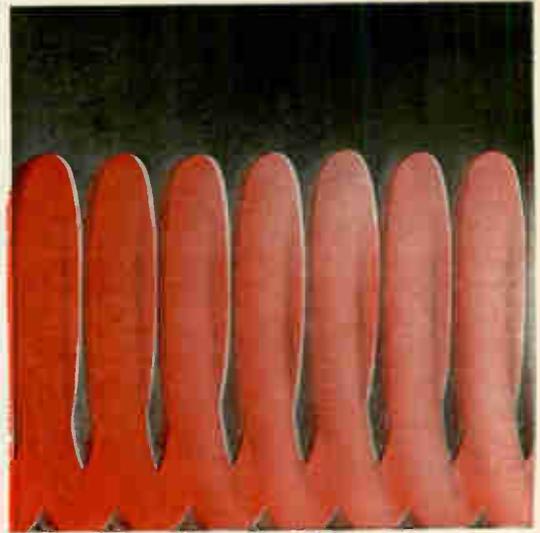


The VA-177M backward wave oscillator operates in the 10.0- to 15.5-Gc frequency range. This fully shielded, permanent - magnet - focused tube provides at least 50 mw of output power over the M-band range. Tuning is achieved by adjusting only the helix voltage. The resulting voltage - vs - frequency curve follows an exponential function and exhibits no discontinuities. A nonintercepting negative control grid provides a means for amplitude modulation without drawing current in the modulating circuit.

The unit features magnetic shielding, which not only reduces the stray magnetic field of the bwo to less than 10 gauss at $\frac{1}{2}$ in. from the tube surface, but also allows the bwo to be operated in contact with ferrous materials or in stray magnetic fields typically found in microwave equipment, without performance degradation. This feature simplifies equipment design and layout and eliminates special handling and storage precautions required for nonshielded units.

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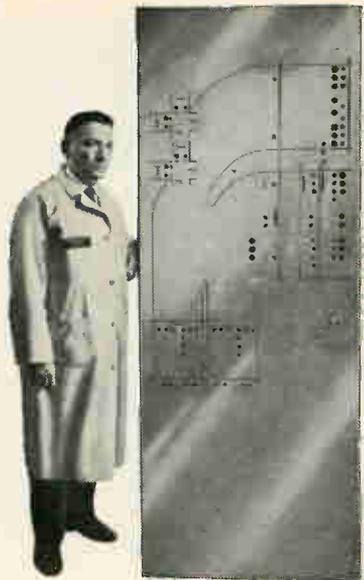
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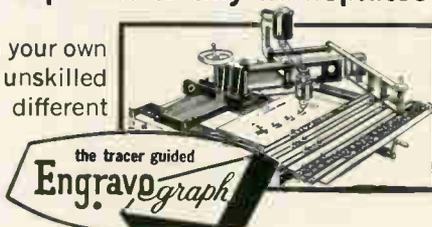
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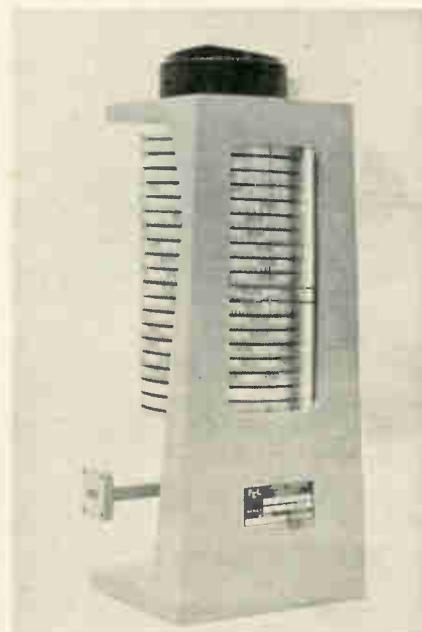
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Precision wavemeters span 18 to 40 Gc

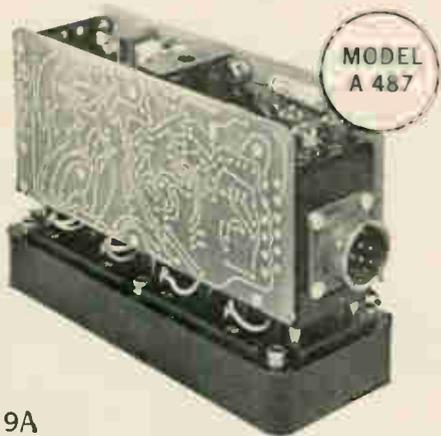


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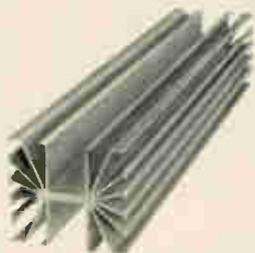
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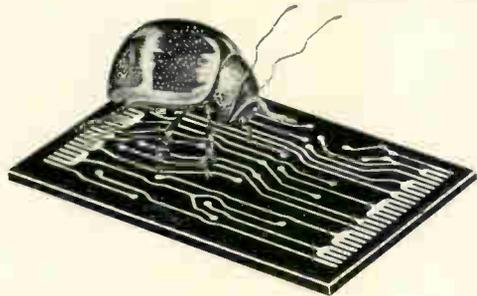
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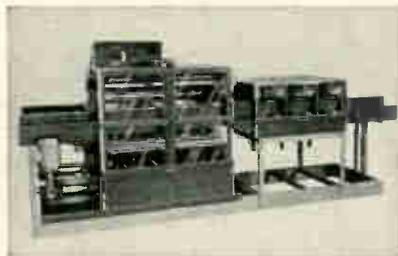
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Microwave Associates, Inc., Burlington, Mass. [395]

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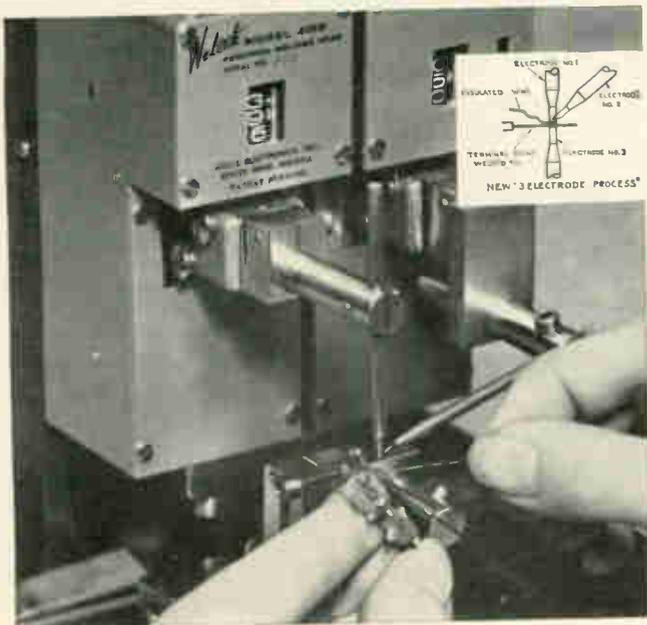
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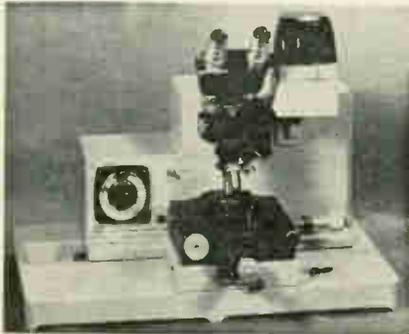
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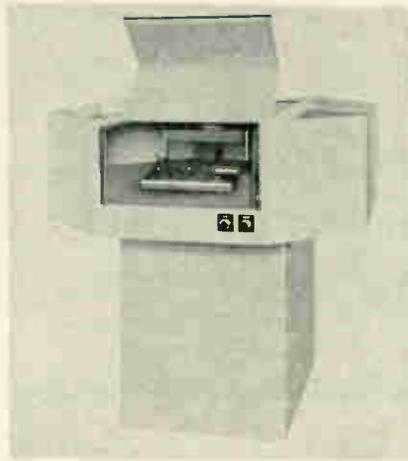
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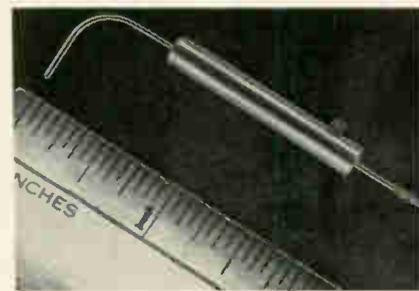
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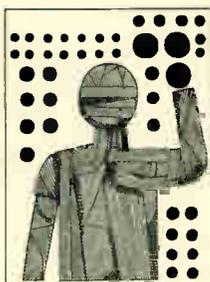
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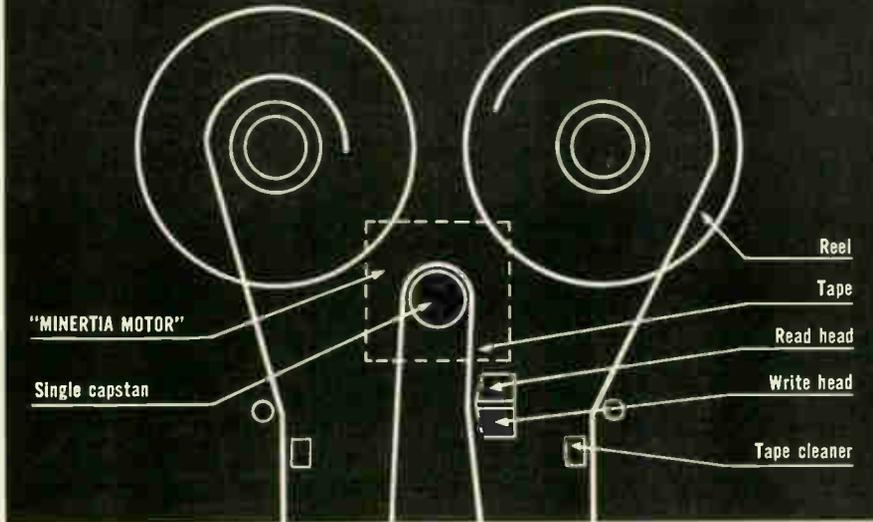
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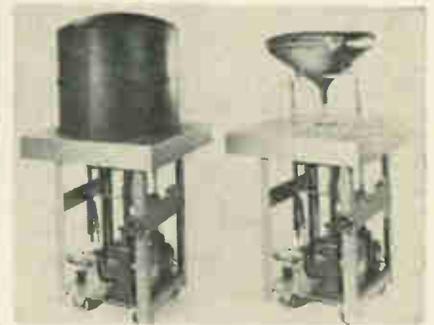
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The scope of the material is broad and encompasses areas not normally included in books on telemetry. But precisely because of its scope, the book isn't sufficiently detailed in specific areas to serve as a comprehensive design reference. The author's objectivity is apparently influenced by his own work with pulse code modulation/phase shifting (pcm/ps) telemetry, since he devotes a disproportionate amount of space to this technique.

Perhaps the most impressive chapter in the book is the one dealing with fundamental engineering measurements, in which 70 pages are devoted to a detailed and well-composed discussion of sensors, their measurement techniques and their limitations and advantages. The author carefully stresses practical techniques and establishes a good set of ground rules for the selection of measurements and encoding techniques.

The sections of the book devoted to system multiplexing format selections are neither complete nor comprehensive—which is also true of every other book on the subject. The author himself is aware of this deficiency and points out the fact that criteria for selection of optimum multiplexing techniques are governed by such unmeasurable characteristics as economy, availability, expediency, etc.

The author borrows freely from Nichols and Rausch's "Radio Telemetry," long considered the most authoritative work in the field, yet he ventures some justifiable criticism of that work in light of more recent developments.

Unusual in a book of this sort, but essential to a well-rounded coverage of telemetry, are the chapters devoted to range instrumentation, space television, and spacecraft communication—although here, again, their usefulness is limited by brevity. The book falls short in the coverage of ground equipment with the notable exception of the chapter on data reduction, in which the author develops a typical complete facility for telemetry data reduction.

With respect to radio-frequency links and receiving techniques, the book is not as up-to-date as it might be. There is no mention whatever of such areas as predetection recording, diversity reception techniques, high-density serial pcm recording, constant-bandwidth and extended-band subcarriers, or phase lock discriminators.

Some recent sophisticated space-communication techniques such as pulse frequency modulation (pfm) are not discussed; discussions of phase lock discriminators and recently developed receiving techniques such as phase lock threshold suppression properties, etc., are also entirely absent. Some of the photographs, such as those of the subcarrier discriminator racks, pulse amplitude modulation (pam) decommutator and helical antennas, are of obsolete equipment (some more than 10 years old).

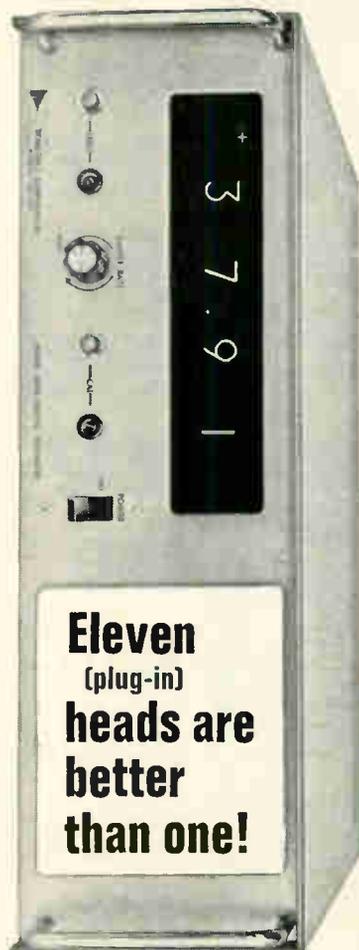
In the author's description of a pcm decommutator, which is the most complex of the various systems discussed, no block diagram is shown and no description is given of the general logic operations required. Operation of such key items as the frame synchronization correlator and the bit synchronizer are not explained at all, and the entire section appears too narrowly directed at some unidentified specific installation.

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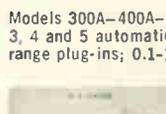
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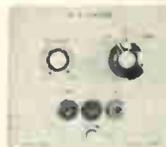
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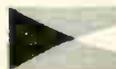
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Two kinds of avalanche transit time oscillators are described: a simple silicon pn junction and the more complicated silicon p-n-i-n junction, or Read diode. Both structures have been found capable of emitting continuous-wave microwave oscillations, and the pn junction has also demonstrated amplification.

Pn junctions can be made either by single diffusion into a uniformly doped substrate, or by single diffusion into a lightly doped epitaxial layer. It has been found that with increasing frequency, the first method offers higher efficiency than the second method. Diodes made by single diffusion into a uniform material have produced 13 milliwatts of continuous-wave power at 10.5 gigacycles with 0.5% efficiency.

These simple silicon diodes have also exhibited parametric effects. When pumped at 17.49 Gc, one sample simultaneously delivered power at a lower frequency, 8.512 Gc and 8.982 Gc, such that $f_1 + f_2 = f_{\text{pump}}$.

A pn junction amplifier was constructed from the oscillator circuit by replacing the slide screw tuner with a series of tuning screws closer to the diode, and by the addition of a circulator. Stable, negative-resistance amplification occurred in a suitably packaged sample when the circuit was tuned for operation within the range of the circulator. At 20 decibel gain, a 3-db bandwidth of 20 Mc was obtained. The noise figures were in the 50 db to 60 db range. Noise decreased when bias current was increased.

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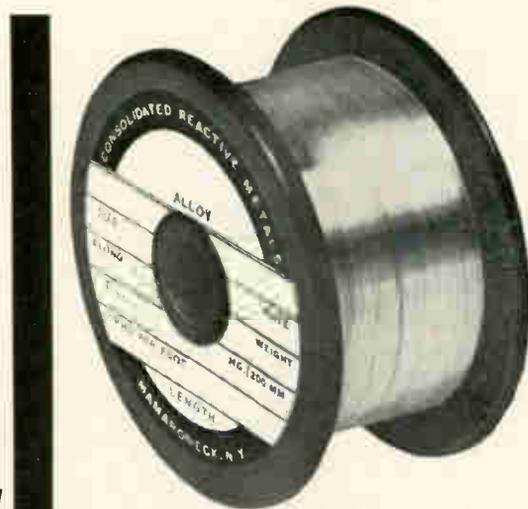
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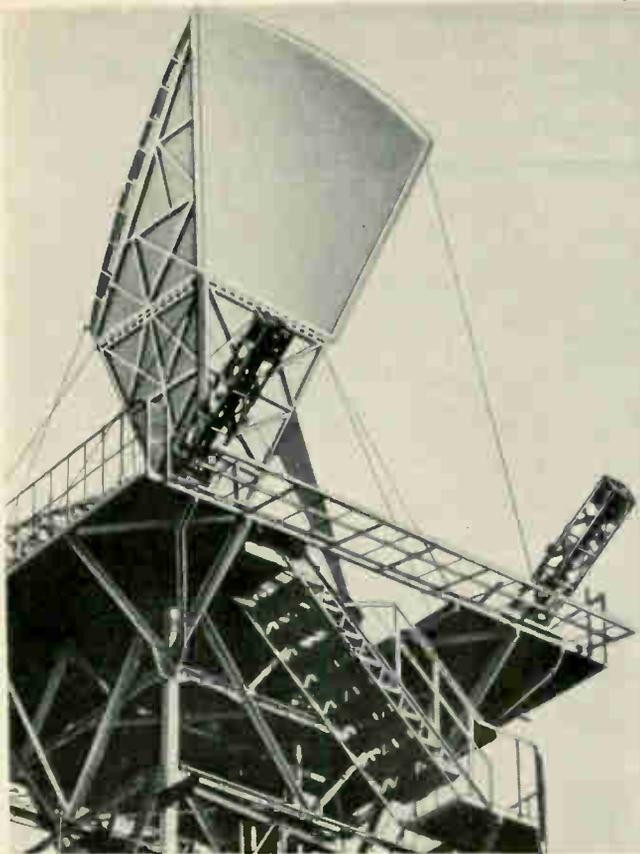
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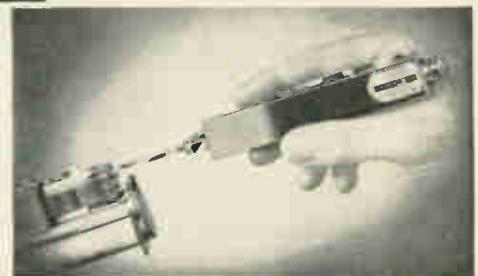
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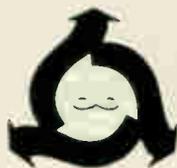


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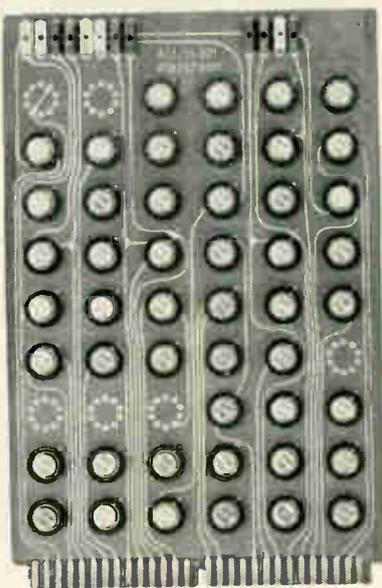
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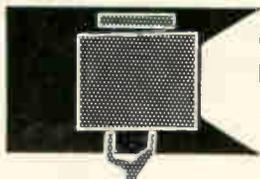
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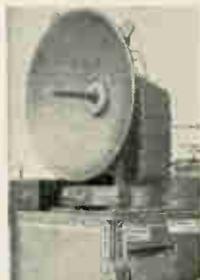
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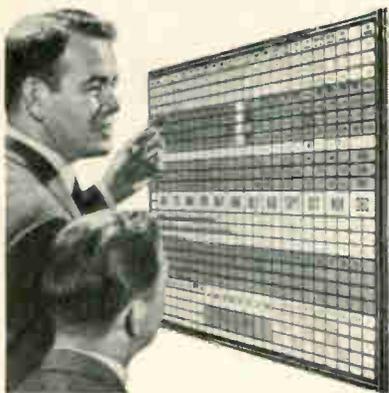
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Time-delay relays. Airborne Accessories Corp., Electronic Products division, 1414 Chestnut St., Hillside, N.J., 07205. Bulletin PS-13 contains comprehensive information on a versatile new line of solid-state industrial time-delay relays. [421]

D-c microvolt/microammeter. Boonton Electronics Corp., Route 287, Parsippany, N.J., 07054, has issued a technical information sheet providing a general description, circuit discussion and detailed specifications of the model 95A d-c microvolt/microammeter. [422]

Packaging hardware. Scanbe Mfg. Corp., 1161 Monterey Pass Road, Monterey Park, Calif., offers a catalog covering series-T modular electronic packaging hardware, a more flexible approach for individual circuit card support through complete system enclosure. [423]

Tv camera tubes. EMI Electronics Ltd., Hayes, Middlesex, England, has published a brochure containing detailed information on its 4½-in. image orthicon television camera tubes. [424]

Indicator lights. Dialight Corp., 60 Stewart Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y., 11237. A 16-page, illustrated catalog presents a wide array of miniature and large indicator lights (many of which meet or exceed the requirements of MIL-L-3661) for use with neon or incandescent light sources. [425]

Computers in oceanography. Digital Equipment Corp., 146 Main St., Maynard, Mass., 01754. An eight-page brochure discusses the roles computers are playing in studies of the oceans, describes seven specific applications of the company's PDP computers, and lists some of the programing aids available to help the oceanographer. [426]

Power supplies. Deltron Inc., Wissahickon Ave., North Wales, Pa., 19454. Bulletin 101C describes improved specifications and one new model in the series of compact, high-quality power supplies with Duet twin amplifier to control voltage or current with automatic crossover to either mode. [427]

Crystal oscillators. Hill Electronics, Inc., 300 N. Chestnut St., Mechanicsburg, Pa. A four-page booklet covers the selection, specifying and ordering of oven and non-oven oscillators from 1 cps to 100 Mc. [428]

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West Germany

A better PAL

Telefunken AG in West Germany has been refining its color-television system to permit the use of simpler, less expensive receivers that are more reliable than those required a year ago [Electronics, March 22, 1965, p. 106]. Telefunken's system is called PAL, for phase alternation line.

The major changes have been to the chrominance bandwidth and modulation axes, which were previously the same as in the NTSC (National Television Standards Committee) system operating in the United States.

One change is for the color components of the chrominance to be modulated along the color-difference axes, R—Y and B—Y, rather than along the axes of maximum and minimum color acuity, I and Q. The other change does away with dissimilar bandwidths for the two components; the color components now have bandwidths equal to NTSC's larger channel, I.

Out with matrixing. Because NTSC's color bandwidths are unequal, the larger channel is used to modulate the I axis, the axis of color changes to which the eye is most sensitive. I and Q must then be matrixed after detection into

R—Y and B—Y, the signals that ultimately enter the picture tube.

By modulating from the beginning along R—Y and B—Y, PAL eliminates the need for this matrixing in the receiver. There is one additional requirement, however; because the eye has equal sensitivity for R—Y and B—Y, these components must be transmitted with equal bandwidths.

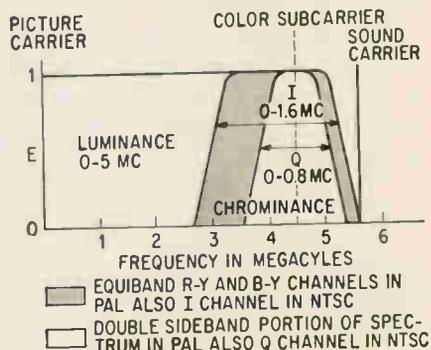
With NTSC, equiband vestigial sideband operation is impossible; full double sidebands are needed in the demodulator to separate the two color channels accurately without color crosstalk. With PAL, which uses delay lines to average out the errors over two lines, the R—Y and B—Y components are separated before demodulation into two separate a-m signals; hence there is no chance for color crosstalk in PAL.

A receiver with such a delay line has been built as deluxe PAL. The simple PAL receiver does not contain the delay lines necessary to separate the two color components over the full bandwidth, but it can be used as a narrow-bandwidth set operating within the double sidebands.

Manufacturers in the United States do not produce full-bandwidth color receivers, considering them too complicated and costly; European manufacturers are likely to follow suit, and simple PAL will probably prevail.

Similar to NTSC. The simple PAL receiver has only one circuit not present in NTSC receivers. This is the switch that keeps the set's R—Y demodulator in step with the R—Y signal, which reverses in phase for every line.

To further simplify the PAL receiver, a new method of R—Y phase identification has been proposed. Previously, phase identification was achieved by a series of subcarrier bursts during a few lines of the vertical retrace period. In the new method of identifica-

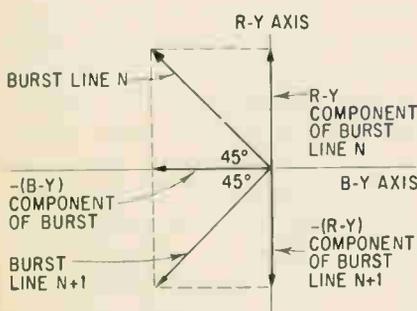


Frequency spectrum for 625-line television used in Europe shows overlapping I and Q channels that are still used in NTSC but eliminated from PAL color-tv system. New PAL has equiband R—Y and B—Y channels.

tion, the subcarrier burst—which is transmitted on the back porch of the horizontal synchronization pulse—is changed in phase 90° on a line-by-line basis. In contrast, the direction of this burst in NTSC and in the old PAL is maintained along the —(B—Y) axis. Now the burst will alternate direction for each line, up 45° and down 45° from the —(B—Y) axis, so that its projection on the —(B—Y) axis will remain the same. However, its projection along the R—Y axis will shift 180° for each line, indicating the phase of the R—Y signal component to follow.

Transcoder. Telefunken engineers have also come up with a transcoder that eliminates all phase errors caused by time-based instability in a color-video recorder. The transcoder, placed in the recorder's output, demodulates and corrects the signal and then remodulates it for transmission. The system could be adapted for NTSC videotape recorders by recording in the PAL form and then remodulating into NTSC. Phase errors in PAL cause desaturation (lightening) of colors; in NTSC these errors cause a change in hue.

The transcoder eliminates phase errors by continuously synchronizing its demodulator directly with the recorded signal subcarrier. In



Color phasor diagram shows direction of proposed color burst for lines n and n+1. Alternating position of the burst simplifies receiver design.

this way any instantaneous shift in the phase of the recorded sub-carrier is compensated by a similar shift in the phase of the demodulator. Synchronization usually occurs only at the beginning of each line during the color burst.

The principle of the transcoder system can also be applied easily to a deluxe PAL receiver to eliminate any phase errors picked up in transmission.

France

New approach to Nadge

The North Atlantic Treaty Organization may drop its all-or-nothing approach to awarding of a \$280-million contract for an air-defense ground-environment system called Nadge. NATO has been trying to choose a prime contractor from among three consortiums. Now there are indications that NATO may take bits and pieces from each consortium's proposals.

The competing consortiums are led by the International Telephone and Telegraph Corp., Westinghouse Electric Corp. and Hughes Aircraft Co.

Price has been the big obstacle. All three bids are reported to be well above the \$280-million ceiling. But if the best of each could be combined, the network might be built within the cost limit.

Who'll decide? But who would put the pieces together? NATO obviously cannot be its own systems engineer.

Another problem is apportioning the money to the various countries: the program requires that the industries of each NATO member share the work to the extent of that country's financial contribution to Nadge. The United States' share is 30.8%.

American companies have a big advantage over the Europeans: they can supply most of the off-the-shelf equipment required for Nadge, because development costs have been written off long ago in contracts with the Pentagon.

Belgium

Broader communications

The 75 miles of coaxial telephone lines that link Brussels with Den-dermonde 18 miles away may pre-empt broadband analog communications throughout Western Europe. The 1,200-channel line is field-testing transistorized equipment that is scheduled to expand communications capacity between Brussels and Antwerp by 1967.

Like most telephone systems on the continent, Belgium's Regie des Télégraphes et Téléphones (RTT) is hard pressed to keep up with the rapid increase in communications traffic. The system it is testing was developed by N. V. Philips Telecommunicatie Industrie (PTI), an affiliate of Philips Gloeilampenfabrieken N. V. of the Netherlands.

PTI's family of broadband analog systems does not match the message-carrying capacity of the forthcoming generation of United States systems, but the technology is comparable. Nonregulated repeater amplifiers in the PTI systems, for example, have fixed gain held to a tolerance of plus or minus 0.01 decibel. And the systems meet strict demands for reliability without relying on expensive, brute-force redundancy.

Austere amplifiers. To achieve high reliability and hold down maintenance costs, PTI pared the components in the buried repeater amplifiers. A complete amplifier has only four transistors. Complex circuits, such as equalizers and automatic level-regulating equipment, are concentrated in the main station above ground, where they can be serviced easily.

Throughout the system, components are heavily derated—to one-half the acceptable values specified by their manufacturers, or less. Limits on junction temperatures for transistors, for instance, are kept so low that their expected life matches that of passive components. Based on experience so far, J. F. Lansu, who designed the system, says that no more than two of every 1,000 amplifiers will fail in

a year of continuous operation.

Lansu is especially proud of the system's technique for locating faults. Each buried substation has an oscillator that can inject a 280-kilocycle signal into the station's amplifiers. The oscillators are wired across an interstitial pair of wires in the coaxial cable; by taking advantage of the voltage drop along the pair, the oscillators can be switched on and off in sequence.

When a repeater fails, an alarm sounds at the main station. The operator then switches on the power supply that feeds the oscillators. As he increases the voltage gradually, the first oscillator starts to operate at about 25 volts. A further increase in the voltage switches off the first oscillator and turns on the second oscillator. The operator keeps increasing voltage in this fashion until he gets a return oscillator signal. He can then read off the power-supply voltage control the number of the faulty station.

Two-way stretch. The system is designed so that 32 nonregulated substations and three regulated substations can extend the range of the highest-frequency hardware of the new PTI transistorized line equipment family to 100 miles between main stations. This system has 2,700 channels and operates between 0.3 and 12.5 megacycles per second. The 1,200-channel equipment being tested in Belgium operates between 60 kc and 6 Mc. A third member of the family is a 4-Mc system.

For testing the 6-Mc equipment, RTT laid a 12-tube cable 18.6 miles long and connected the coaxial tubes together in groups of four to get the equivalent of three 75-mile cables. Such mileage between main stations is in a sense too much for a small, densely populated country like Belgium. So RTT and PTI, together with the Dutch Telephone Administration and Philips' Belgian Affiliate, Manufacturing Belge De Lampes et de Material Electroniques put two-way stretch into the system. Channels can be dropped off at way points, with regulating circuits only for the cable pairs involved; ordinarily, all

the pairs in a cable have to be regulated at a dropoff point.

Nonregulated repeater stations along the cable are spaced at 1.8-mile intervals. But since, for the field test, RTT laid "small" cable—1.2 to 4.4 millimeters—with attenuation of 5.3 decibels per kilometer, this is equivalent to 2.9-mile spacing on the 2.6- to 9.5-millimeter cable used in the United States.

U. S. counterpart. The United States' most advanced analog system is being built by the American Telephone and Telegraph Corp. The system, called L-4, is expected to begin operation in 1967. It will contain 3,600 message channels, operate at 564 to 17,548 kilocycles per second, and have a repeater station every two miles. It will carry one television channel (4.2-Mc bandwidth) and 1,320 message channels.

The Philips system also can carry tv. Like AT&T's system, it uses a 4-kv bandwidth for voice channels.

At present, the United States is served by AT&T's L-3 communications network, which operates at 312 to 8,284 kc. It has a repeater station every four miles and can carry 660 message channels plus one tv channel.

Great Britain

New boost for computers

Stepping up its efforts to further the role of computers in Britain, the government plans to finance \$82 million of computer facilities over the next six years.

Anthony Crosland, secretary for education and science, told the Houses of Parliament that the six-year plan would create large regional computing centers at the universities of London, Manchester and Edinburgh, as well as improvements in computing facilities at other universities and research centers. These facilities will be compatible, Crosland said, so the network will form an integrated system.

It is believed that multiaccess, real-time systems will be included, possibly with teledata links between the centers and universities. The program will cost \$9 million a year for the first three years, a dramatic increase from last year's \$3.3 million.

Who will benefit? The installations probably will be made by two companies: International Computers and Tabulators, Ltd. (ICT) and English Electric-Leo-Marconi Computers, Ltd. ICT already has several large installations based on its Atlas computer, with smaller systems ordered or installed at 12 universities.

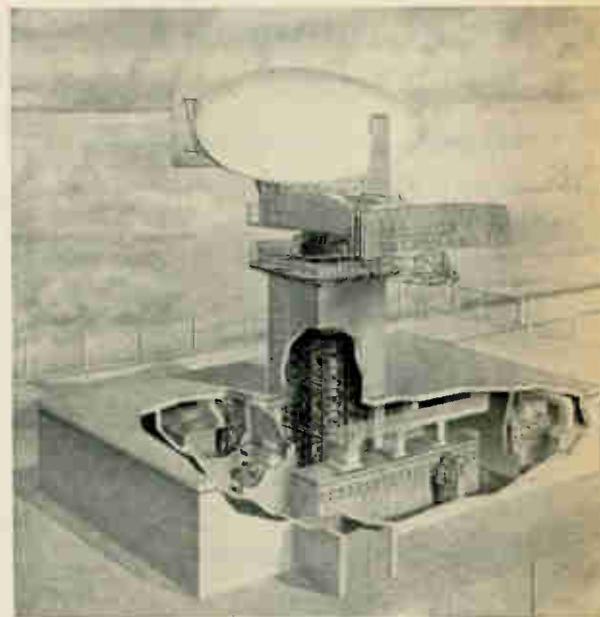
English Electric's orders and installations in universities are valued at \$6.6 million. The latest is the University of Nottingham's \$600,000 order for a KDF-9 computer for retrieval of legal information and other tasks.

For ICT, Britain's biggest computer company, the news comes at an opportune time. Its financial report for the fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1965, shows a \$1.42-million loss; the company had a \$7.3-million profit for fiscal 1964.

The loss last year came despite a \$3-million contribution from the government's National Research Development Corp. for research and development.

ICT also has received a \$3-million order in the current fiscal year from the Ministry of Pensions, to set up a computer center that will handle all social-security transactions for the London area. For this real-time system, the computer will be accessible from 120 offices in London. The computer will contain records of 2.5-million people; it will receive details of claims from the local offices, calculate the payments and print out postal drafts for payments at the rate of 50,000 a day.

ICT offers three reasons for its loss last year: the high cost of expanding production facilities for its 1900 series of computers, a decline in deliveries of earlier models after the announcement of the 1900 series, and a failure to produce enough punched-card equipment because of the problems of expanding existing facilities.



Radar station provides instantaneous 3-D data at altitudes up to 100,000 feet.

The biggest order

Saudi Arabia's \$300-million order for an air-defense network from three British companies will bring \$75 million of business to Associated Electrical Industries, Ltd. (AEI). The other members of the bidding group are the British Aircraft Corp. and Airwork, Ltd. The radar order is believed to be the biggest ever received from abroad by a British electronics company.

AEI is prime contractor for the three-dimensional radar surveillance and control system. The contract also calls for 35 to 40 Lightning supersonic fighter planes and for technical support and training facilities. An additional order has been placed with the Raytheon Co. in Lexington, Mass., for Hawk ground-to-air missile systems. Raytheon says the order is "in excess of \$100 million."

3-D radar. The surveillance system is based on a new radar designed by AEI in conjunction with the British government's Royal Radar Establishment. The system provides instantaneous three-dimensional position data on all planes within an undisclosed coverage area.

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Between 10 and 15 radar stations are believed necessary to cover Saudi Arabia. Output data from each station, before transmission to the central control unit, is processed by a Myriad computer built by Marconi, Ltd. From the position data, the computer calculates flight paths for the Lightning interceptors. AEI also will supply a communications network to link the radar sites with the control station, where synthesized displays will allow central control of the entire interception pattern.

Deliveries of the system will begin in 1967 and extend until 1970.

International

The contraband market

Cuba has surged ahead of Eastern Europe as the principal destination for contraband goods from the United States, including electronic equipment, according to sketchy information obtained by the Office of Export Control in the United States Commerce Department.

The major reason for the change is the relaxation of American restrictions on sales to Eastern Europe. Nearly everything sold to Cuba, on the other hand, is contraband. And because most of Cuba's industrial equipment was made in the United States, it requires American-made replacements and parts.

The department's export-control division says 55% of its investigations are of reports of goods moving to Cuba. Ten percent are based on reports of goods destined for Communist China and other countries in Asia. Smuggling to China is increasing rapidly, Commerce spokesmen say.

Electronics for Castro. Strict enforcement is accompanied by lenient penalties. When Z&I Aero

Services, Ltd., of London, was caught shipping American-made electronic tubes to China, the company was barred from trading in American goods for only three months and put on probation for 33 more months.

Earlier, the British company had been middleman for five lots of American electronic equipment that found its way into Cuba, according to Commerce Department officials.

Four-way deal. Some cases indicate intricate planning that would do credit to an international spy network. An employee of a legitimate Austrian distributor of electronic equipment ordered two electronic counters and two microvolt ammeters from a Swiss subsidiary of an American company. Then a phony purchase order was submitted by PI-MO K. Pirker & Co. of Austria; that order allowed the distributor to obtain an Austrian import certificate to get the instruments out of bond.

But instead of sending the instruments to PI-MO, the employee transferred them to an Italian company, Socorin, which had been barred from handling American-made goods because of previous allegations of smuggling. The Italian company sent the gear to Vienna for forwarding to Budapest.

For its part in the scheme, PI-MO received only \$250. But there is bigger money to be made in this game of contraband. One lot of 100 small parts for transportation equipment was sold to Cuba a few months ago for \$27,000; the parts cost \$1.67 apiece.

Long way home. One reason for fancy prices is the devious route that contraband shipments must take. U. S. officials recently halted a shipment of machine parts that was sold by an American company to a Toronto distributor, which shipped them to Glasgow for re-routing to Havana.

The direct route can also be expensive. An Austrian father-and-son team successfully airmailed 17 shipments of contraband electronic equipment such as diodes, oscilloscopes and tubes. They were nabbed with three cathode-ray storage tubes, being sent as unaccompanied airline baggage.

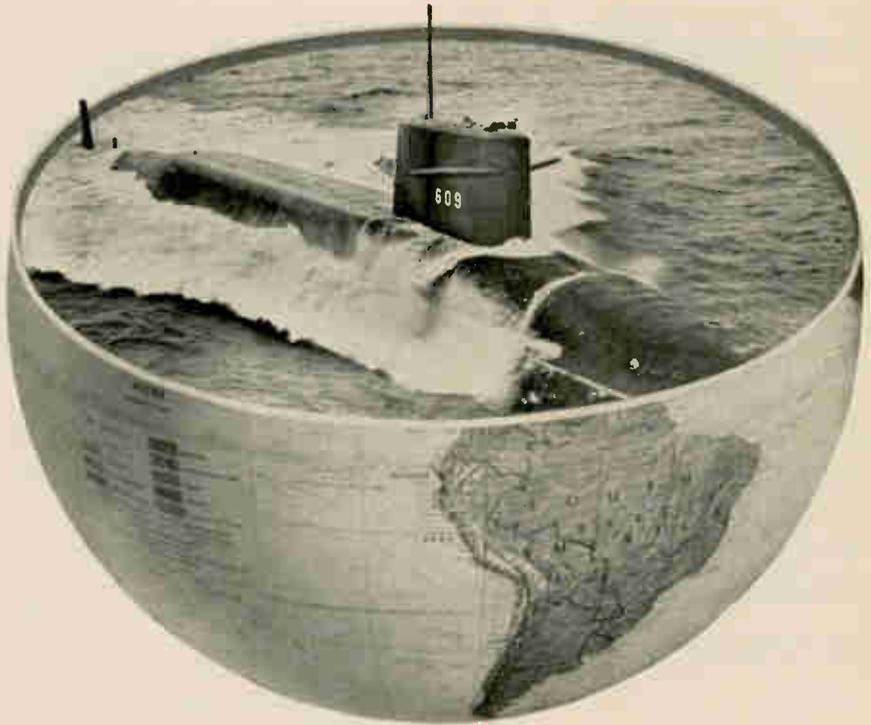
Around the world

Great Britain. Merger at home and joint venture abroad are the principal treatments prescribed for Britain's ailing aviation industry by an eight-man government committee headed by Lord Plowden. After a year's study, the panel suggests a merger of activities of the two biggest airframe companies, the British Aircraft Corp. and the aviation operations of the Hawker-Siddeley Group, with the government acquiring a big financial stake in the new organization. Another proposal is for more cooperative ventures with aviation industries in other European countries. Aviation in Britain has declined to 260,000 employees from a peak employment of 311,000 in 1957.

France. The unexpectedly close elections last month are not expected to deter President de Gaulle from continuing to expand the French military, which constitutes about 30% of the domestic electronics market. The military is expected to spend \$380 million for electronics in 1970 compared with \$290 million this year.

Sweden. The pirate radio station, Radio Syd, has branched out into television. The programs, consisting mostly of commercials and old movies beamed to the province of Skaana in southern Sweden, are believed to be the first pirate tv broadcast from shipboard; they originate in international waters between Malmö, Sweden, and Copenhagen, Denmark. Sweden prohibits commercial tv.

Hungary. Like its neighbors in the Soviet bloc, Hungary continues to make agreements with West German companies for cooperative production in electronics and for joint sales to third countries. Czepel, Hungary's biggest industrial complex, is producing numerically controlled lathes in cooperation with the Krupp Works in Essen. Another Hungarian plant, whose identity has not been disclosed, will produce x-ray equipment with help from Siemens & Halske AG, the Hungarian government says.



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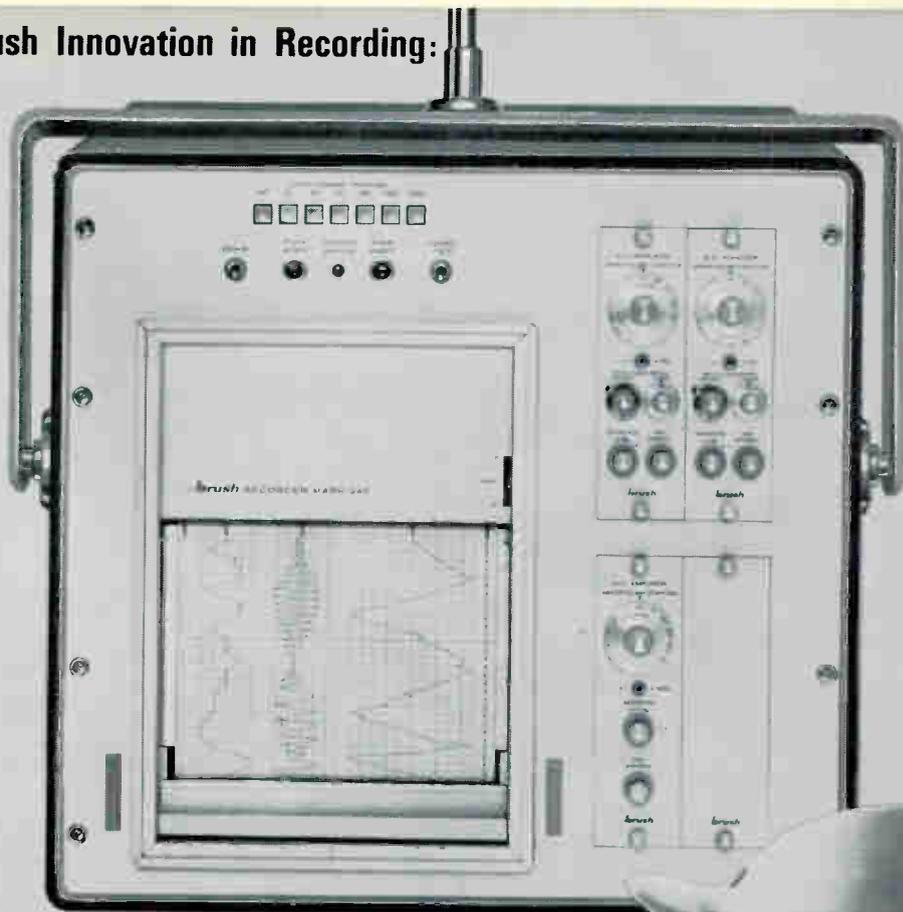
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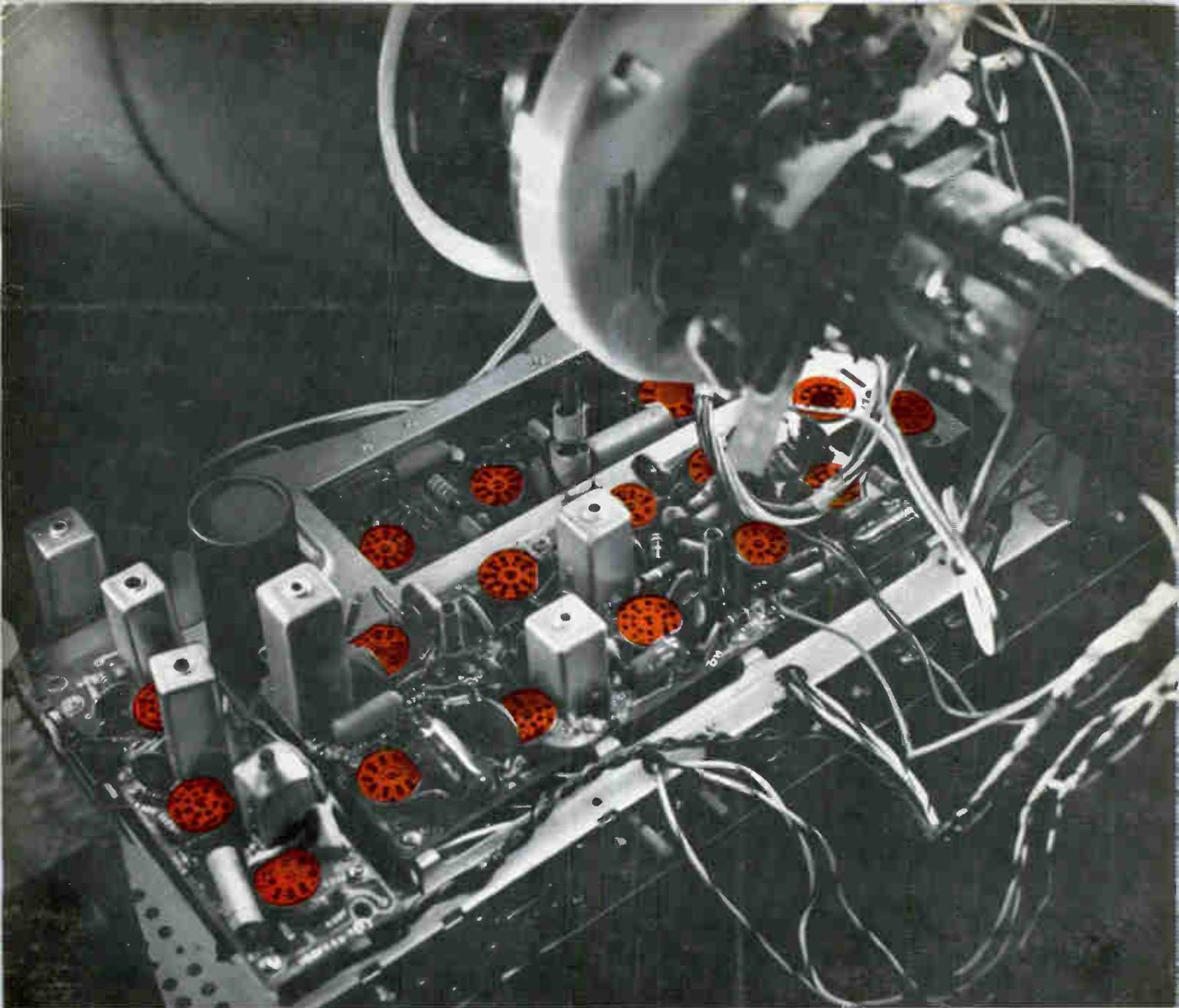
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